

## Supplementary Information

### Cobalt catalyzed *meta* selective C–H activation of diverse classes of arenes

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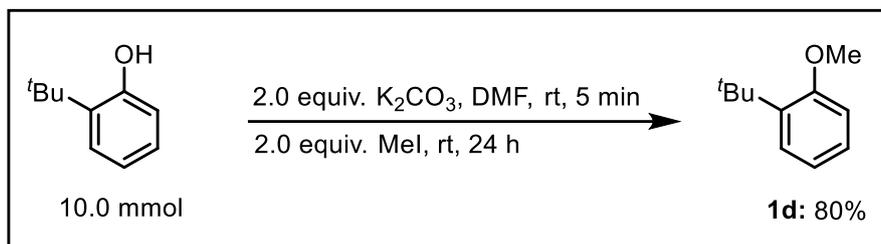
**General Information:**

All commercially available chemicals were used as received unless otherwise indicated. Pinacolborane (HBPin) and bis(pinacolato)diboron ( $B_2pin_2$ ) were procured from Sigma-Aldrich. Cobalt(II) acetate, anhydrous, was procured from Thermo Fisher Scientific. Anhydrous KO<sup>t</sup>Bu was procured from TCI. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) was refluxed over sodium/benzophenone ketyl, distilled and degassed twice before borylation. Column chromatography was performed on flash silica gel (ACME). Thin layer chromatography was performed on 0.25 mm thick aluminum-backed silica gel plates purchased from Merck and visualized with ultraviolet light ( $\lambda = 254$  nm).

$^1H$ ,  $^{13}C$ , and  $^{11}B$  spectra were recorded on Bruker 400 and 800 MHz NMR spectrometer. The boron bearing carbon atom was not observed due to quadrupolar relaxation. All coupling constants are apparent  $J$  values measured at the indicated field strengths in Hertz (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, dd = doublet of doublets, br s = broad singlet, br m = broad multiplet, dt = doublet of triplet, td = triplet of doublet, ddd = doublet of doublets of doublets, p = pentate, sept = septet). High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained using a Waters GCT Premier instrument run on electron ionization (EI) direct probe or a Waters QTOF Ultima instrument run on electrospray ionization (ESI+). GC/MS (Agilent Technology) was obtained and for the analysis RAM temperature was used 50 °C for each sample.

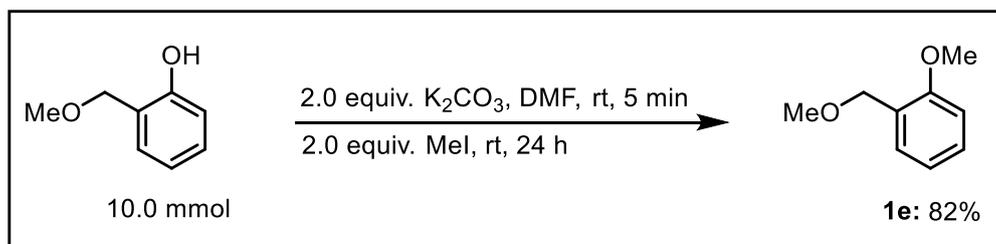
## Preparation of starting materials:

### *Preparation of 2-(tert-butyl)anisole (1d):*



In a 100 ml round bottom flask, 2-(tert-butyl)phenol (1.5 g, 10.0 mmol) and  $K_2CO_3$  (2.76 g, 2.0 equiv.) was dissolved in dry DMF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 min and then iodomethane (1.25 ml, 2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise into it. After the addition, the reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at room temperature. The reaction progress was monitored by checking TLC and after completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with ice-cold water (100 ml) for three times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over  $Na_2SO_4$  and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (5% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.31 g (80%) of the 2-(tert-butyl)anisole (**1d**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>1</sup>

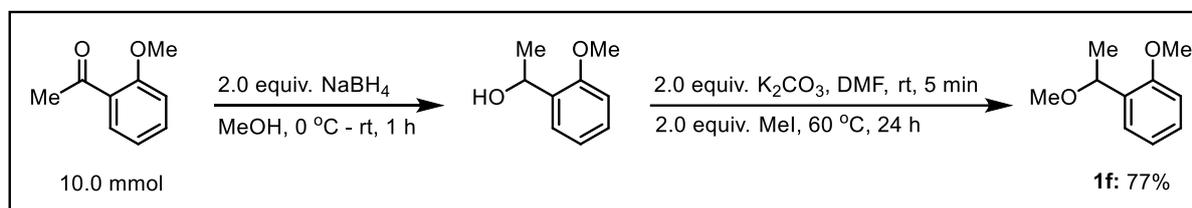
### *Preparation of 2-(methoxymethyl)anisole (1e):*



In a 100 ml round bottom flask, 2-(methoxymethyl)phenol (1.38 g, 10.0 mmol) and  $K_2CO_3$  (2.76 g, 2.0 equiv.) was dissolved in dry DMF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 min and then iodomethane (1.25 ml, 2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise into it. After the addition, the reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at room temperature. The reaction progress was monitored by checking TLC and after completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with ice-cold water (100 ml) for three times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over  $Na_2SO_4$  and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column

chromatography (5% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.25 g (82%) of the 2-(methoxymethyl)anisole (**1e**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>2</sup>

**Preparation of 1-methoxy-2-(1-methoxyethyl)benzene (1f):**



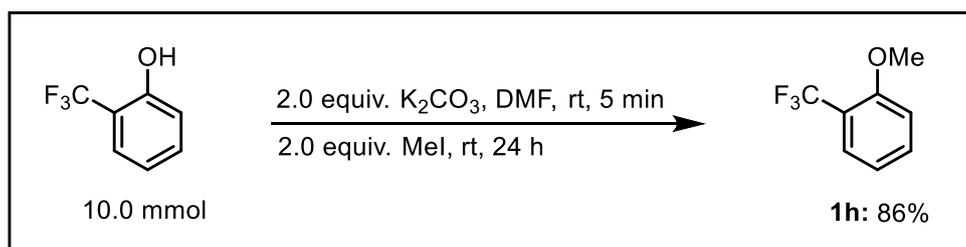
**Step I:**

In a 100 ml round bottom flask, 1-(2-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-one (1.5 g, 10.0 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH and placed the flask in an ice-bath. NaBH<sub>4</sub> (760 mg, 2.0 equiv.) was added portion wise into the flask with vigorous stirring. After addition the reaction mixture was stirred for another 1 h at room temperature. The completion of the reaction was confirmed by checking the TLC and the MeOH was evaporated under reduced pressure to get a white paste. Then ice-cold water was poured slowly into it and work up was done with EtOAc. The organic layer was washed with water (100 ml) for two times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The next step was set up with the crude material without further purification.

**Step II:**

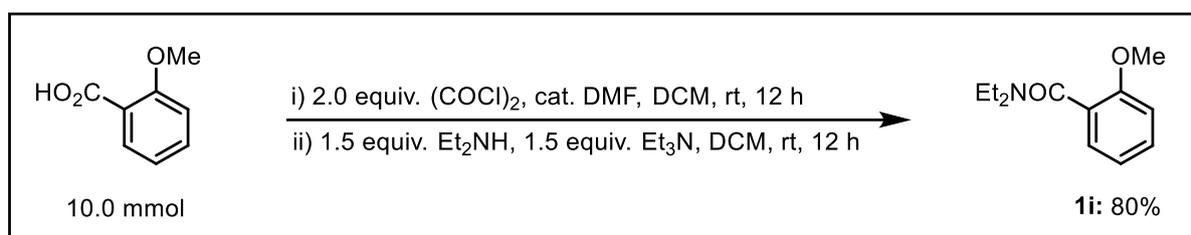
In a 100 ml round bottom flask, crude 1-(2-methoxyphenyl)ethan-1-ol and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (2.76 g, 2.0 equiv.) was dissolved in dry DMF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 min and then iodomethane (1.25 ml, 2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise into it. After the addition, the reaction mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. The reaction progress was monitored by checking TLC and after completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with ice-cold water (100 ml) for three times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (5% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.28 g (77%) of the 1-methoxy-2-(1-methoxyethyl)benzene (**1f**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>3</sup>

### Preparation of 2-(trifluoromethyl)anisole (**1h**):



In a 100 ml round bottom flask, 2-(trifluoromethyl)phenol (1.62 g, 10.0 mmol) and  $K_2CO_3$  (2.76 g, 2.0 equiv.) was dissolved in dry DMF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 min and then iodomethane (1.25 ml, 2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise into it. After the addition, the reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at room temperature. The reaction progress was monitored by checking TLC and after completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with ice-cold water (100 ml) for three times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over  $Na_2SO_4$  and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (5% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.51 g (86%) of the 2-(trifluoromethyl)anisole (**1h**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>4</sup>

### Preparation of *N,N*-diethyl-2-methoxybenzamide (**1i**):



#### Step-I:

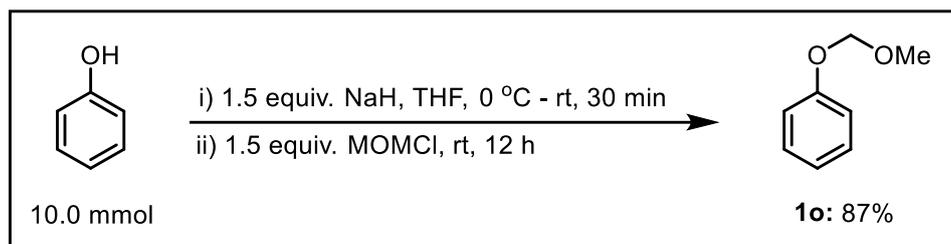
In a 100 mL round-bottom flask, 2-methoxybenzoic acid (1.52 g, 10.0 mmol) was dissolved in dry DCM (30 mL) and catalytic amount of DMF was added into it. The reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C and stirred for 5 minutes. Then  $(COCl)_2$  (1.4 mL, 2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture and stirred at room temperature for 12 h. The resulting mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure to afford acid chloride quantitatively which was used directly without further purification for the next step.

#### Step-II:

To a solution of diethylamine (2.4 mL, 1.5 equiv.) and  $Et_3N$  (2.8 mL, 2.0 equiv.) in dry DCM (30 mL), acid chloride (1.0 equiv.) was added dropwise at 0 °C and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Then water (50 mL) was added and the organic layer was

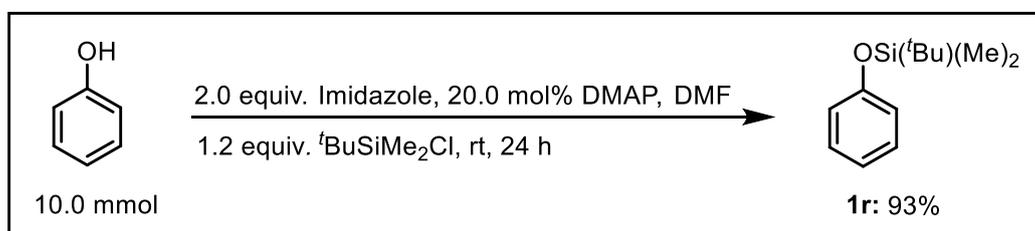
separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with DCM (3 x 50 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (50 mL) solution followed by water (50 mL). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (25% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.66 g (80%) of the N,N-diethyl-2-methoxybenzamide (**1i**) as white solid. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>5</sup>

**Preparation of 1-(methoxymethoxy)benzene (1o):**



In a 100 ml round bottom flask, phenol (940 mg, 10.0 mmol) was dissolved in dry THF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The flask was placed in an ice-bath and NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 600 mg, 1.5 equiv.) was added portion wise into it. The reaction was allowed to stir for 30 min at room temperature. Then, chloromethyl methyl ether (1.2 ml, 1.5 equiv.) was added dropwise at 0 °C and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for overnight. After completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with water (100 ml) for two times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (5% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.2 g (87%) of the 1-(methoxymethoxy)benzene (**1o**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>6</sup>

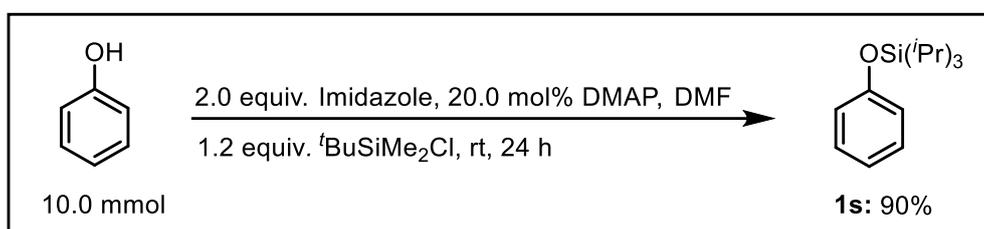
**Preparation of tert-butyldimethyl(phenoxy)silane (1r):**



In a 100 ml round-bottomed flask, phenol (940 mg, 10.0 mmol), imidazole (1.36 g, 20.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), 4-Dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP) (244 mg, 2.0 mmol, 20 mol%) and 20 mL dry DMF was added. Then the reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature followed by dropwise addition of tert-butylchlorodimethylsilane (TBDMSCl) (2.1 g, 12.0

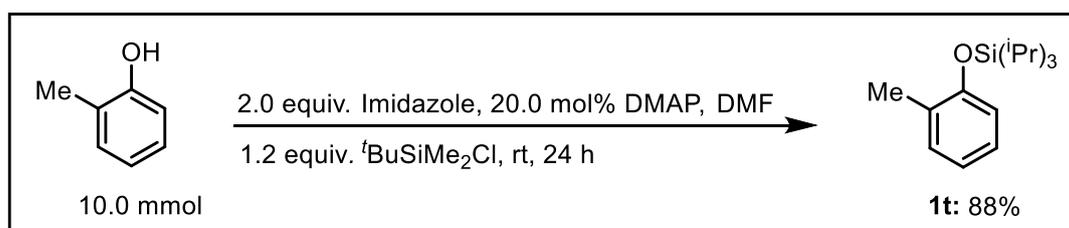
mmol, 1.2 equiv.). The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for additional 24 h. After completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with ice-cold water (100 ml) for three times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (2% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.9 g (93%) tert-butyldimethyl(phenoxy)silane (**1r**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>7</sup>

**Preparation of triisopropyl(phenoxy)silane (1s):**



In a 100 ml round-bottomed flask, phenol (940 mg, 10.0 mmol), imidazole (1.36 g, 20.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), 4-Dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP) (244 mg, 2.0 mmol, 20 mol%) and 20 mL dry DMF was added. Then the reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature followed by dropwise addition of triisopropylsilyl chloride (TIPSCl) (2.5 ml, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv.). The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for additional 24 h. After completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with ice-cold water (100 ml) for three times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (2% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 2.25 g (90%) triisopropyl(phenoxy)silane (**1s**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>7</sup>

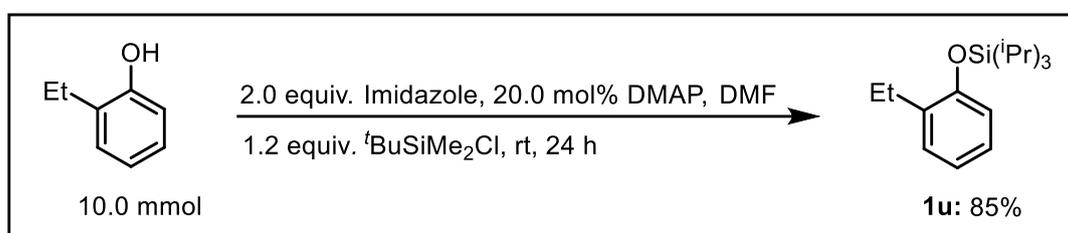
**Preparation of triisopropyl(o-tolyloxy)silane (1t):**



In a 100 ml round-bottomed flask, o-cresol (1.1 g, 10.0 mmol), imidazole (1.36 g, 20.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), 4-Dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP) (244 mg, 2.0 mmol, 20 mol%) and 20 mL dry

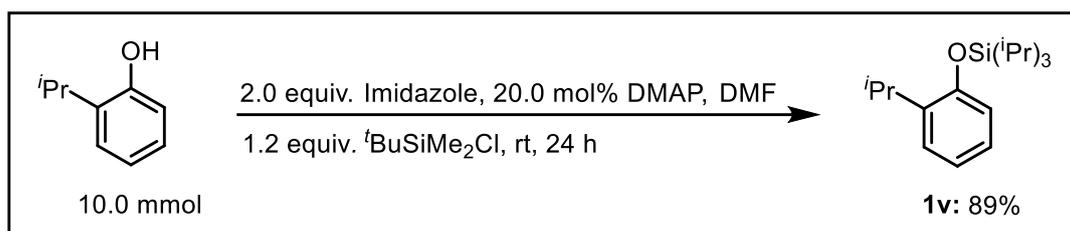
DMF was added. Then the reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature followed by dropwise addition of triisopropylsilyl chloride (TIPSCl) (2.5 ml, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv.). The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for additional 24 h. After completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with ice-cold water (100 ml) for three times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (3% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 2.3 g (88%) triisopropyl(o-tolyloxy)silane (**1t**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>7</sup>

**Preparation of (2-ethylphenoxy)triisopropylsilane (1u):**



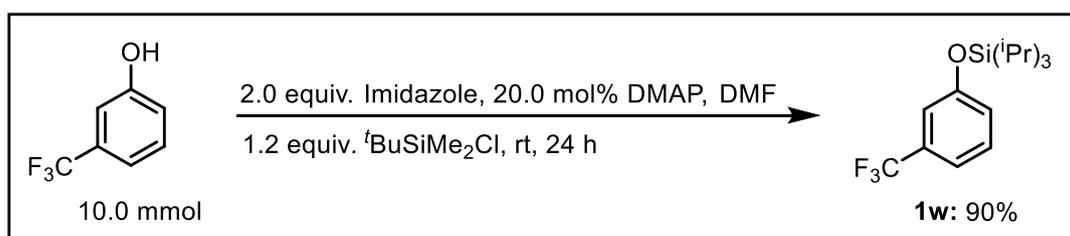
In a 100 ml round-bottomed flask, 2-ethylphenol (1.22 g, 10.0 mmol), imidazole (1.36 g, 20.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), 4-Dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP) (244 mg, 2.0 mmol, 20 mol%) and 20 mL dry DMF was added. Then the reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature followed by dropwise addition of triisopropylsilyl chloride (TIPSCl) (2.5 ml, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv.). The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for additional 24 h. After completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with ice-cold water (100 ml) for three times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (3% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 2.36 g (85%) (2-ethylphenoxy)triisopropylsilane (**1u**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>7</sup>

**Preparation of triisopropyl(2-isopropylphenoxy)silane (1v):**



In a 100 ml round-bottomed flask, 2-isopropylphenol (1.36 g, 10.0 mmol), imidazole (1.36 g, 20.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), 4-Dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP) (244 mg, 2.0 mmol, 20 mol%) and 20 mL dry DMF was added. Then the reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature followed by dropwise addition of triisopropylsilyl chloride (TIPSCl) (2.5 ml, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv.). The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for additional 24 h. After completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with ice-cold water (100 ml) for three times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (3% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 2.6 g (89%) triisopropyl(2-isopropylphenoxy)silane (**1v**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>7</sup>

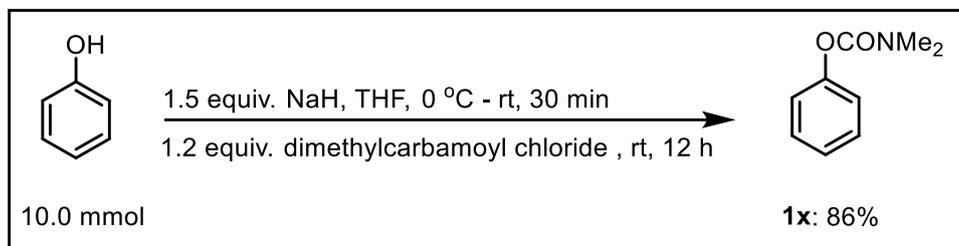
**Preparation of triisopropyl(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy)silane (1w):**



In a 100 ml round-bottomed flask, 3-(trifluoromethyl)phenol (1.62 g, 10.0 mmol), imidazole (1.36 g, 20.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), 4-Dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP) (244 mg, 2.0 mmol, 20 mol%) and 20 mL dry DMF was added. Then the reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature followed by dropwise addition of triisopropylsilyl chloride (TIPSCl) (2.5 ml, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv.). The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for additional 24 h. After completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with ice-cold water (100 ml) for three times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude

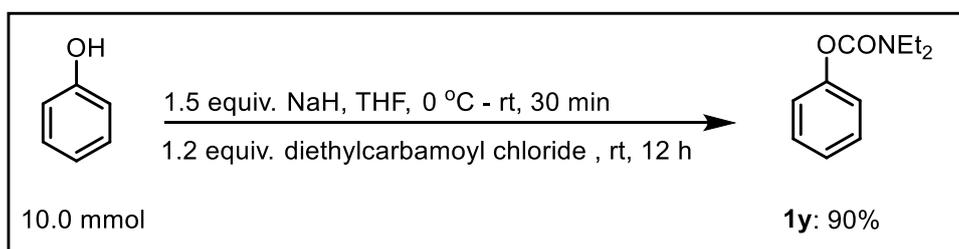
mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (3% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 2.87 g (90%) triisopropyl(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy)silane (**1w**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>7</sup>

**Preparation of phenyl dimethylcarbamate (1x):**



In a 100 ml round bottom flask, phenol (940 mg, 10.0 mmol) was dissolved in dry THF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The flask was placed in an ice-bath and NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 600 mg, 1.5 equiv.) was added portion wise into it. The reaction was allowed to stir for 30 min at room temperature. Then, dimethylcarbamoyl chloride (1.1 ml, 1.2 equiv.) was added dropwise at 0 °C and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with water (100 ml) for two times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (15% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.42 g (86%) of the phenyl dimethylcarbamate (**1x**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>8</sup>

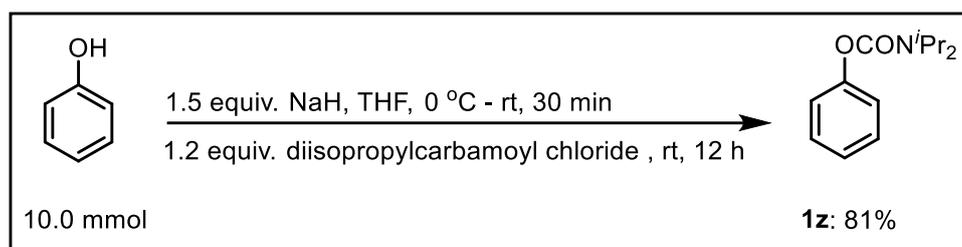
**Preparation of phenyl diethylcarbamate (1y):**



In a 100 ml round bottom flask, phenol (940 mg, 10.0 mmol) was dissolved in dry THF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The flask was placed in an ice-bath and NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 600 mg, 1.5 equiv.) was added portion wise into it. The reaction was allowed to stir for 30 min at room temperature. Then, diethylcarbamoyl chloride (1.5 ml, 1.2 equiv.) was added dropwise at 0 °C and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it

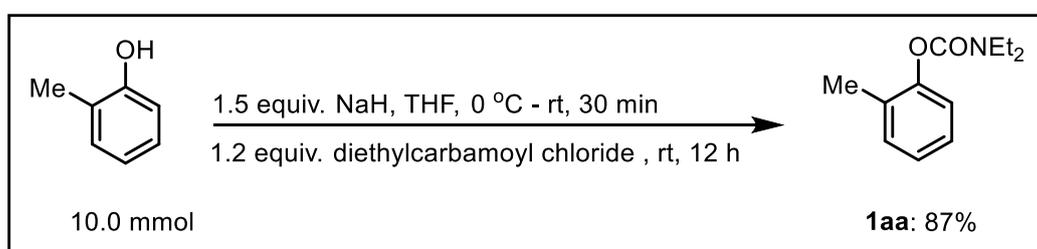
and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with water (100 ml) for two times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (15% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.74 g (90%) of the phenyl diethylcarbamate (**1y**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>8</sup>

**Preparation of phenyl diisopropylcarbamate (1z):**



In a 100 ml round bottom flask, phenol (940 mg, 10.0 mmol) was dissolved in dry THF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The flask was placed in an ice-bath and NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 600 mg, 1.5 equiv.) was added portion wise into it. The reaction was allowed to stir for 30 min at room temperature. Then, diisopropylcarbamoyl chloride (1.96 g, 1.2 equiv.) was added dropwise (by solubilizing it in dry THF) at 0 °C and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with water (100 ml) for two times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (15% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.79 g (81%) of the phenyl diisopropylcarbamate (**1z**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>8</sup>

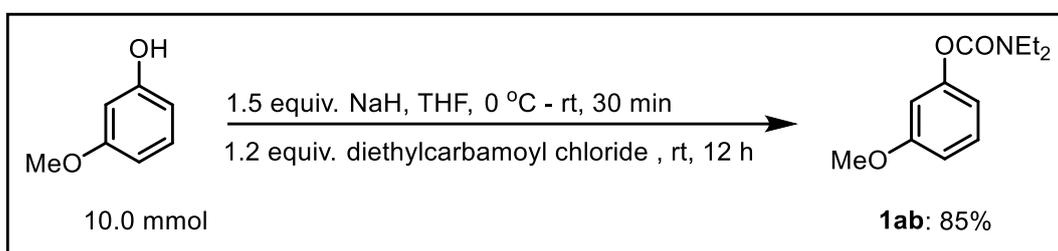
**Preparation of o-tolyl diethylcarbamate (1aa):**



In a 100 ml round bottom flask, o-cresol (1.1 g, 10.0 mmol) was dissolved in dry THF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The flask was placed in an ice-bath and NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 600 mg, 1.5 equiv.) was added portion wise into it. The reaction was allowed to

stir for 30 min at room temperature. Then, diethylcarbamoil chloride (1.5 ml, 1.2 equiv.) was added dropwise at 0 °C and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with water (100 ml) for two times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (15% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.8 g (87%) of the *o*-tolyl diethylcarbamate (**1aa**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>8</sup>

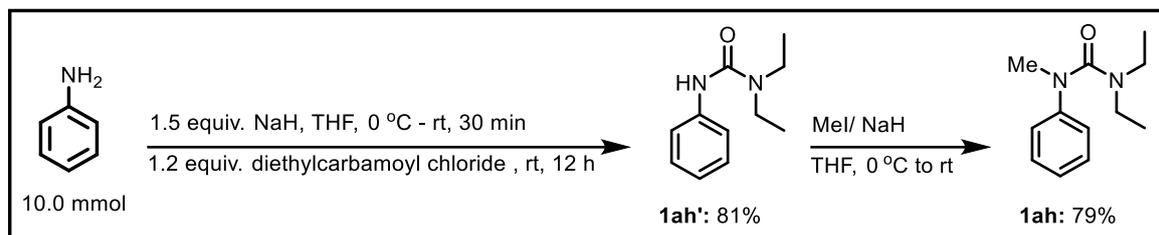
**Preparation of 3-methoxyphenyl diethylcarbamate (1ab):**



In a 100 ml round bottom flask, 3-methoxyphenol (1.24 g, 10.0 mmol) was dissolved in dry THF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The flask was placed in an ice-bath and NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 600 mg, 1.5 equiv.) was added portion wise into it. The reaction was allowed to stir for 30 min at room temperature. Then, diethylcarbamoil chloride (1.5 ml, 1.2 equiv.) was added dropwise at 0 °C and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with water (100 ml) for two times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (15% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.9 g (85%) of the 3-methoxyphenyl diethylcarbamate (**1ab**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>8</sup>

## Anilines:

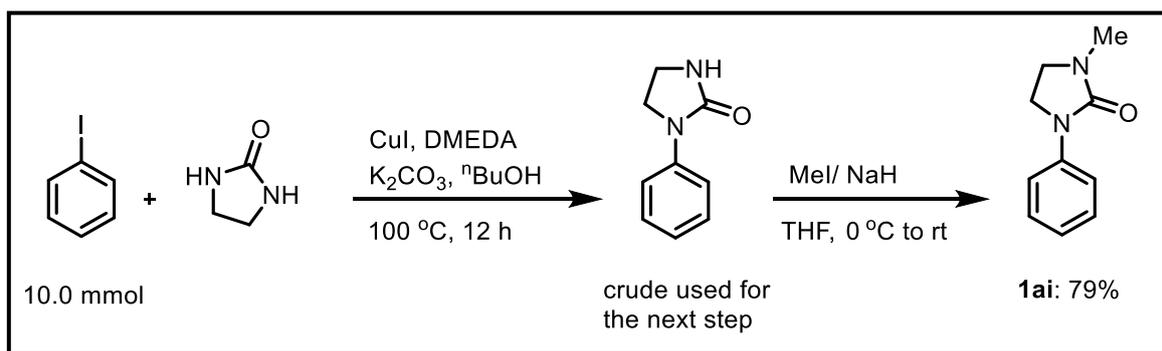
### Preparation of 1,1-Diethyl-3-methyl-3-phenylurea (1ah):



**Step-1:** In a 100 ml round bottom flask, aniline (930 mg, 10.0 mmol) was dissolved in dry THF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The flask was placed in an ice-bath and NaH (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 600 mg, 1.5 equiv.) was added portion wise into it. The reaction was allowed to stir for 30 min at room temperature. Then, diethylcarbonyl chloride (1.5 ml, 1.2 equiv.) was added dropwise at 0 °C and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. After completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with water (100 ml) for two times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (15% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.6 g (81%) of the 1,1-diethyl-3-phenylurea (**1ah'**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>9</sup>

**Step-2:** A 100 mL round bottom flask was charged with 1,1-diethyl-3-phenylurea (**1ah'**: 960 mg, 5.0 mmol) in dry DMF (20 ml) under an argon atmosphere at 0 °C. NaH (480 mg, 50 % dispersion in mineral oil, 2.0 equiv.) was added. The reaction was then stirred for 15 minutes at 0 °C and methyl iodide (623 μL, 2 equiv.) was added. Then the reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 12 h. After 12 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with ice water and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 30 mL) and dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. Organic extract was evaporated under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (20% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) gave 815 mg (79%) of the 1,1-diethyl-3-methyl-3-phenylurea (**1ah**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>9</sup>

Preparation of 1-methyl-3-phenylimidazolidin-2-one (**1ai**):

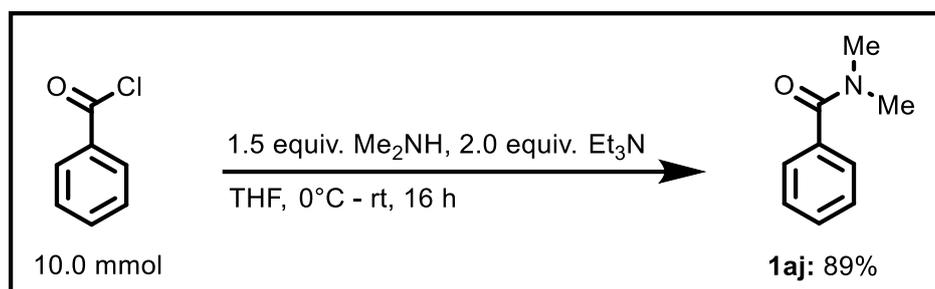


**Step-1:** A 100 mL round-bottom flask was charged with iodobenzene (2.0 g, 10 mmol), 2-imidazolidinone (4.3 g, 5 equiv.), CuI (190.6 mg, 0.1 equiv.), DMEDA (N,N-dimethylethylenediamine) (264.5 mg, 0.3 equiv.), and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (4.1 g, 3 equiv.). The reaction mixture was refluxed in n-butanol (40 mL) at 100 °C for 12 h. The crude reaction mixture was poured into a 10 % w/w NH<sub>4</sub>Cl aqueous solution and the organic layer was extracted with DCM (3 x 25 mL). Then the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure and the crude mixture was used in the next step without further purification. Crude reaction mixture showed full completion of the reaction (checked by TLC).

**Step-2:** A 100 mL round bottom flask was charged with crude 1-(2-chlorophenyl)imidazolidin-2-one obtained from step-1 in dry DMF (25 ml) under an argon atmosphere at 0 °C. NaH (960 mg, 50 % dispersion in mineral oil, 2.0 equiv.) was added. The reaction was then stirred for 15 minutes at 0 °C and methyl iodide (1.3 mL, 2 equiv.) was added. Then the reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 12 h. After 12 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with ice water and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 30 mL) and dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. Organic extract was evaporated under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (30% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) gave 1.37 g (79%) of the 1-methyl-3-phenylimidazolidin-2-one (**1ai**) as white solid. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>8</sup>

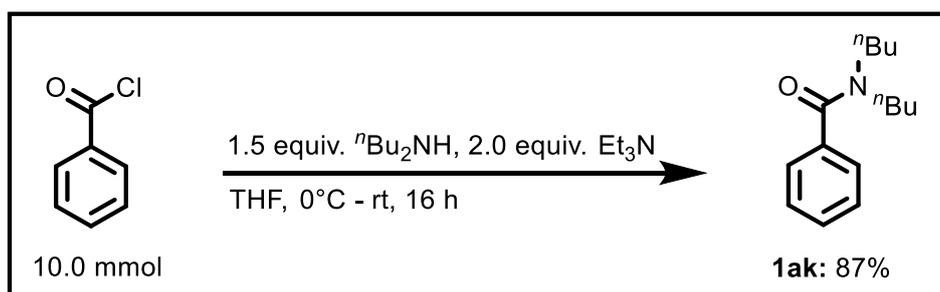
## Aromatic Amides:

### Preparation of *N,N*-dimethylbenzamide (**1aj**):



In a 100 ml round bottom flask, dimethylamine (2.0 M in THF) (7.5 mL, 1.5 equiv.), Et<sub>3</sub>N (2.8 mL, 2.0 equiv.) was added in dry THF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C and stirred for 5 minutes. Then benzoyl chloride (1.3 mL, 10 mmol) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture at 0 °C and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. After completion the reaction was quenched with cold water. EtOAc (50 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (50 ml) for two times. The organic layer was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (50 mL) solution and then with water (50 ml) for two times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (30% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.32 g (89%) of the *N,N*-dimethylbenzamide (**1aj**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>8</sup>

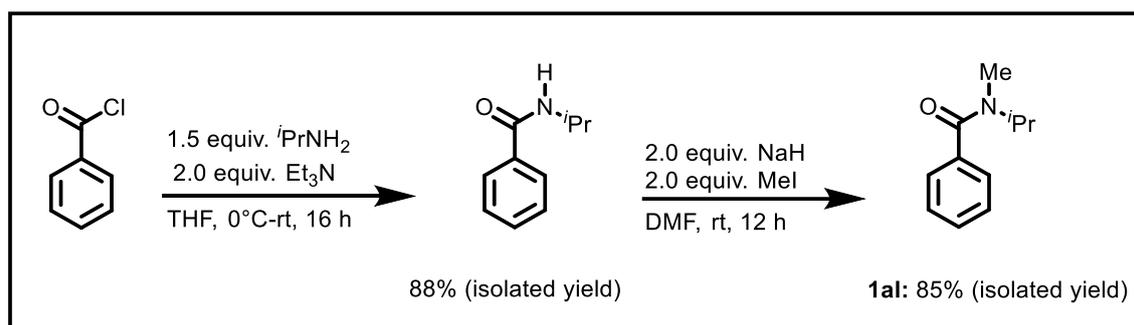
### Preparation of *N,N*-dibutylbenzamide (**1ak**):



In a 100 ml round bottom flask, dibutylamine (2.5 mL, 1.5 equiv.), Et<sub>3</sub>N (2.8 mL, 2.0 equiv.) was added in dry THF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C and stirred for 5 minutes. Then benzoyl chloride (1.3 mL, 10 mmol) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture at 0 °C and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. After completion the reaction was quenched with cold water. EtOAc (50 ml) was added to it and the

organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (50 ml) for two times. The organic layer was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (50 mL) solution and then with water (50 ml) for two times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (15% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 2.0 g (87%) of the *N,N*-dibutylbenzamide (**1ak**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>10</sup>

**Preparation of *N*-isopropyl-*N*-methylbenzamide (**1al**):**

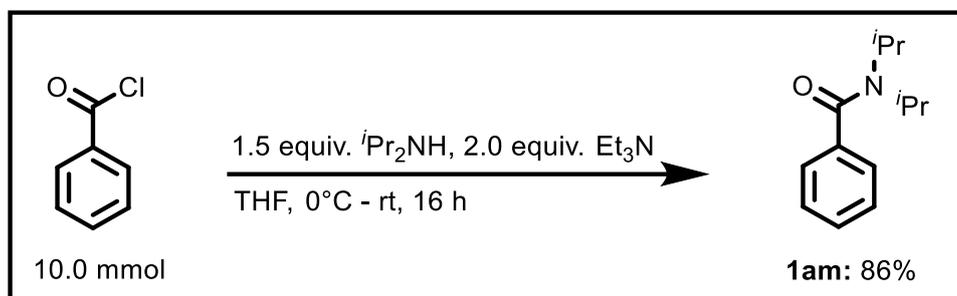


**Step-I:** A 100 mL round-bottom flask was charged with a solution of isopropylamine (1.3 mL, 1.5 equiv.), Et<sub>3</sub>N (2.8 mL, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (25 mL). The reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C and stirred for 5 minutes. Then benzoyl chloride (1.3 mL, 10 mmol) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture at 0 °C and stirred at room temperature for 16 h. Then the reaction was quenched with water (50 mL), the organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 40 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (50 mL) solution followed by brine (40 mL). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (20% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.43 g (88%) of the *N*-isopropylbenzamide as white solid. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.

**Step-II:** A 100 mL round bottom flask was charged with *N*-isopropylbenzamide (816.1 mg, 5 mmol) in dry DMF (20 ml) under an argon atmosphere at 0 °C. NaH (436.4 mg, 55 % dispersion in mineral oil, 2.0 equiv.) was added. The reaction was then stirred for 15 minutes at 0 °C and methyl iodide (0.62 mL, 2 equiv.) was added. Then the reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 12 h. After 12 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with ice water and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 30 mL) and dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. Organic extract was evaporated under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel

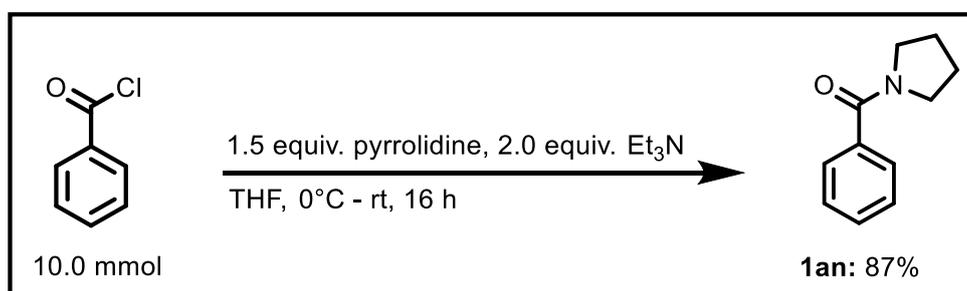
(10% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) gave 752 mg (85%) of the *N*-isopropyl-*N*-methylbenzamide (**1a**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>8</sup>

**Preparation of *N,N*-diisopropylbenzamide (1am):**



In a 100 ml round bottom flask, diisopropylamine (2.2 mL, 1.5 equiv.), Et<sub>3</sub>N (2.8 mL, 2.0 equiv.) was added in dry THF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C and stirred for 5 minutes. Then benzoyl chloride (1.3 mL, 10 mmol) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture at 0 °C and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. After completion the reaction was quenched with cold water. EtOAc (50 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (50 ml) for two times. The organic layer was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (50 mL) solution and then with water (50 ml) for two times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (15% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.76 g (86%) of the *N,N*-diisopropylbenzamide (**1am**) as white solid. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>8</sup>

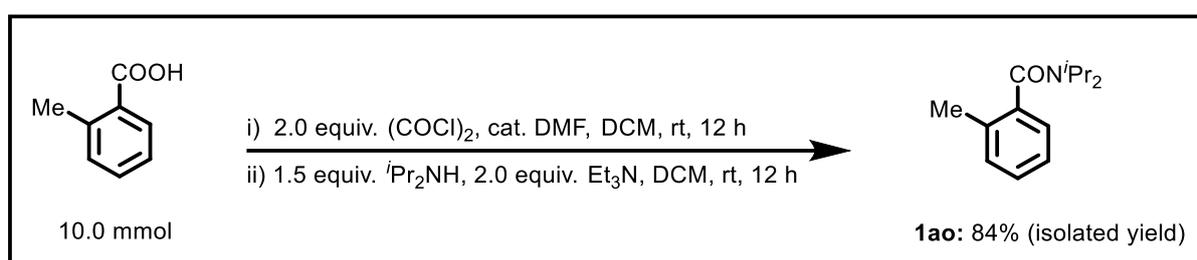
**Preparation of phenyl(pyrrolidin-1-yl)methanone (1aj):**



In a 100 ml round bottom flask, diisopropylamine (1.2 mL, 1.5 equiv.), Et<sub>3</sub>N (2.8 mL, 2.0 equiv.) was added in dry THF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C and stirred for 5 minutes. Then benzoyl chloride (1.3 mL, 10 mmol) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture at 0 °C and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. After

completion the reaction was quenched with cold water. EtOAc (50 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (50 ml) for two times. The organic layer was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (50 mL) solution and then with water (50 ml) for two times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (40% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.5 g (87%) of the *phenyl(pyrrolidin-1-yl)methanone* (**1an**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>10</sup>

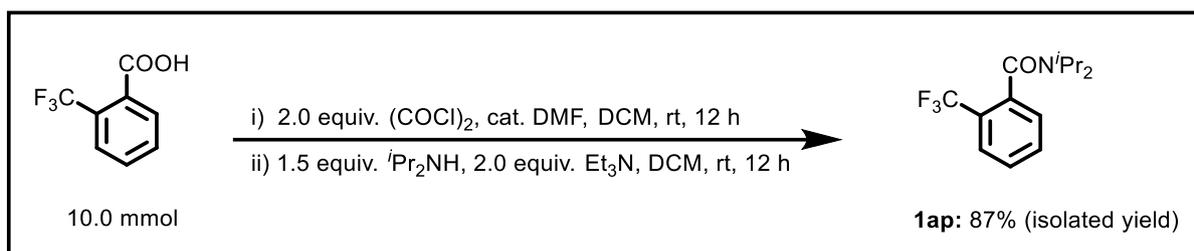
**Preparation of *N,N*-diisopropyl-2-methylbenzamide (**1ao**):**



**Step-I:** A 100 mL round-bottom flask was charged with 2-methylbenzoic acid (1.36 g, 10 mmol), dry DCM (25 mL) and catalytic amount of DMF. The reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C and stirred for 5 minutes. Then (COCl)<sub>2</sub> (1.4 mL, 2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture and stirred at room temperature for 12 h. The resulting mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure to afford acid chloride quantitatively which was used directly without further purification for the next step.

**Step-II:** To a solution of diisopropylamine (2.2 mL, 1.5 equiv.) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (2.8 mL, 2.0 equiv.) in dry DCM (25 mL), acid chloride (1.0 equiv.) was added dropwise at 0 °C and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Then water (50 mL) was added and the organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with DCM (3 x 40 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (40 mL) solution followed by water (40 mL). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (20% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.8 g (84%) of the *N,N*-diisopropyl-2-methylbenzamide (**1ao**) as off white solid. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>8</sup>

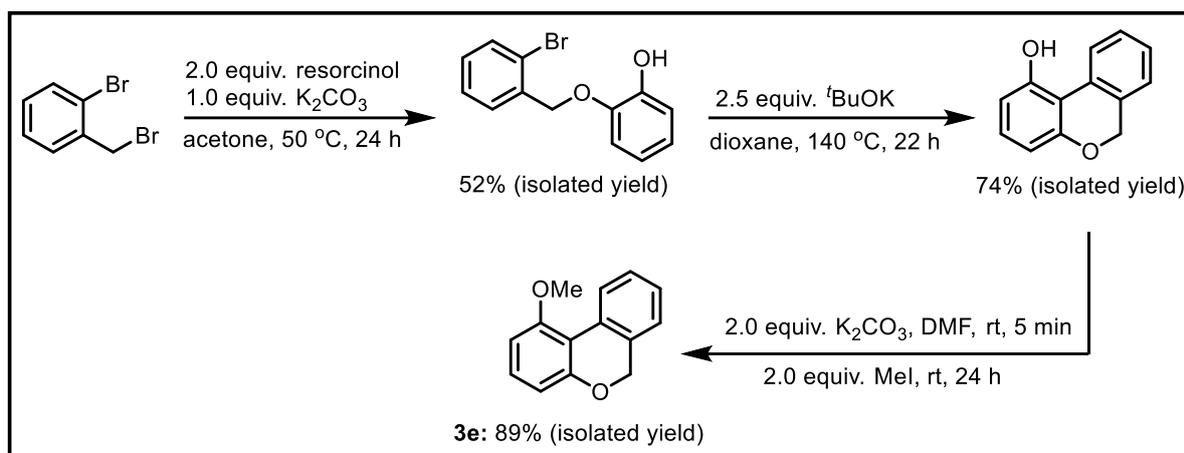
**Preparation of *N,N*-diisopropyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide (**1ap**):**



**Step-I:** A 100 mL round-bottom flask was charged with 2-methoxybenzoic acid (1.5 g, 10 mmol), dry DCM (25 mL) and catalytic amount of DMF. The reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C and stirred for 5 minutes. Then (COCl)<sub>2</sub> (1.4 mL, 2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture and stirred at room temperature for 12 h. The resulting mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure to afford acid chloride quantitatively which was used directly without further purification for the next step.

**Step-II:** To a solution of diisopropylamine (2.2 mL, 1.5 equiv.) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (2.8 mL, 2.0 equiv.) in dry DCM (25 mL), acid chloride (1.0 equiv.) was added dropwise at 0 °C and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Then water (50 mL) was added and the organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with DCM (3 x 40 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (40 mL) solution followed by water (40 mL). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (20% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 2.4 g (87%) of the *N,N*-diisopropyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide (**1ap**) as off white solid. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>8</sup>

### Preparation of 1-methoxy-6H-benzo[c]chromene (3e):

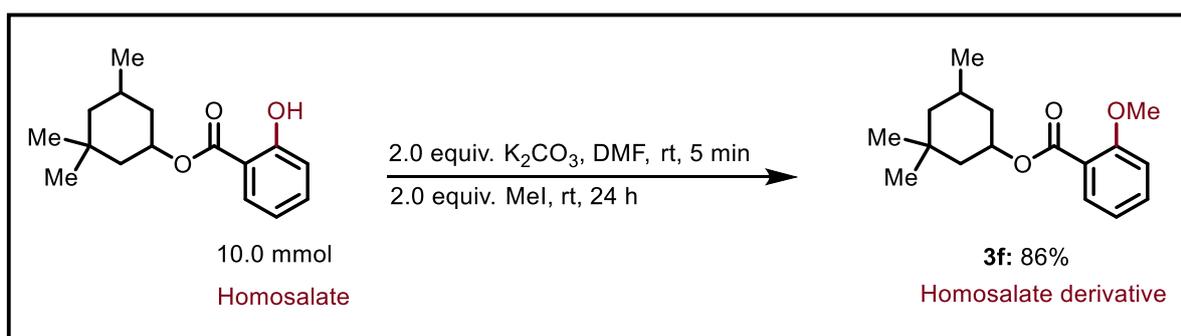


**Step I:** An oven dried 100 mL round bottom flask was charged with resorcinol (4.95 g, 30.0 mmol),  $K_2CO_3$  (2.07 g, 1.0 equiv.) and acetone (75.0 mL). This mixture was stirred at room temperature for 30 minutes. 2-Bromobenzyl bromide (3.75 g, 15.0 mmol) was added to the mixture and placed into preheated oil bath at 50 °C for 23 h 30 minutes. Upon total consumption of 2-bromobenzyl bromide (checked by TLC), the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, poured into aqueous 2N NaOH (75 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (50 mL x 3). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (40 mL) and dried over anhydrous  $Na_2SO_4$ . The organic extract was concentrated under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (10% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) gave 2.17 g (52%) of 3-((2-bromobenzyl)oxy)phenol as white solid. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>7</sup>

**Step II:** In an argon-filled glove box, an oven dried 15 mL pressure tube was charged with 3-((2-bromobenzyl)oxy)phenol (2.09g, 7.5 mmol),  $tBuOK$  (2.1 g, 2.5 equiv.), sealed with a rubber septum and taken out from the glove box. Dioxane (10.0 mL) was added to the mixture, capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at room temperature for 5 minutes. The pressure tube was placed in a preheated silicon oil bath at 140 °C and stirred for 22 h. After cooling to room temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched with 2N HCl (50 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (30 mL x 3). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (40 mL) and dried over anhydrous  $Na_2SO_4$ . The organic extract was concentrated under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (40% dichloromethane in hexane as eluent) gave 1.11 g (74%) of 6H-benzo[c]chromen-1-ol as white solid. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>7</sup>

**Step III:** In a dry 100 mL round-bottomed flask 6H-benzo[c]chromen-1-ol (960 mg, 5 mmol), In a 100 ml round bottom flask, phenol (940 mg, 10.0 mmol) and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.38 g, 2.0 equiv.) was dissolved in dry DMF (20 ml) under argon atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 min and then iodomethane (625 μL, 2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise into it. After the addition, the reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at room temperature. After completion (judged by TLC), the reaction mixture was diluted with cold water (30 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (30 mL x 3). The combined organic layer washed with cold water (30 mL x 3), brine (50 mL) and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (2% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 943 mg (89%) of 1-methoxy-6H-benzo[c]chromene (**3e**) as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>11</sup>

**Preparation of 3,3,5-trimethylcyclohexyl 2-methoxybenzoate (3f):**



In a 100 ml round bottom flask, phenol (2.6 g, 10.0 mmol) and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (2.76 g, 2.0 equiv.) was dissolved in dry DMF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 min and then iodomethane (1.25 ml, 2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise into it. After the addition, the reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at room temperature. The reaction progress was monitored by checking TLC and after completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with ice-cold water (100 ml) for three times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (3% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 2.38 g (86%) of the anisole (**3f**) as oil.

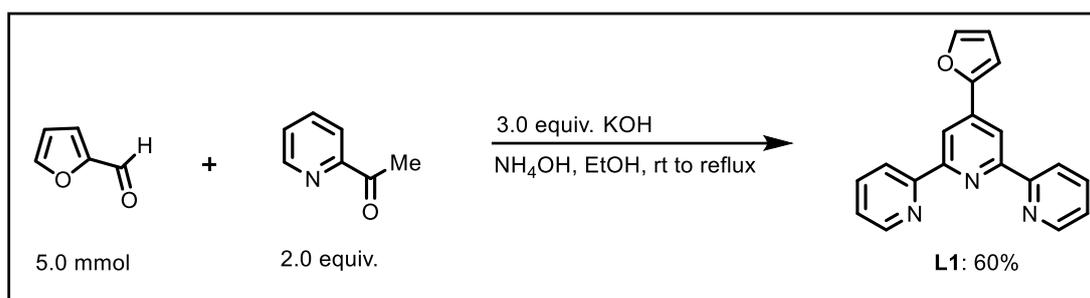
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.73 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.45 – 7.41 (m, 1H), 6.97 – 6.93 (m, 2H), 5.18 – 5.10 (m, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 2.11 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 1.84 – 1.72 (m, 2H), 1.38 – 1.35 (m, 1H), 1.22 (t, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 0.99 – 0.92 (m, 10H), 0.82 (t, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  165.7, 159.0, 133.1, 131.2, 120.9, 120.0, 112.0, 71.4, 55.9, 47.6, 44.0, 40.4, 33.0, 32.3, 27.1, 25.5, 22.3.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  277.1804, found 277.1811.

### Synthesis of ligands

#### Preparation of L1:



1-(pyridin-2-yl)ethan-1-one (1.21 g, 10.0 mmol) was added to a solution of furan-2-carbaldehyde (480 mg, 5.0 mmol) in EtOH (30 mL). KOH pellets (840 mg, 15.0 mmol) and aq.  $\text{NH}_3$  (25 mL, 30% solution) were then added to the solution. The solution was stirred at 90  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 4 h. The solvent was reduced to 20 mL and saturated with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (100 mL). The off-white solid was filtered, washed with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (30 mL) and EtOH (30 mL). The precipitate was collected and recrystallized from hot MeOH afforded 4'-(furan-2-yl)-2,2':6',2''-terpyridine (**L1**) (898 mg, 60%) as white powder.

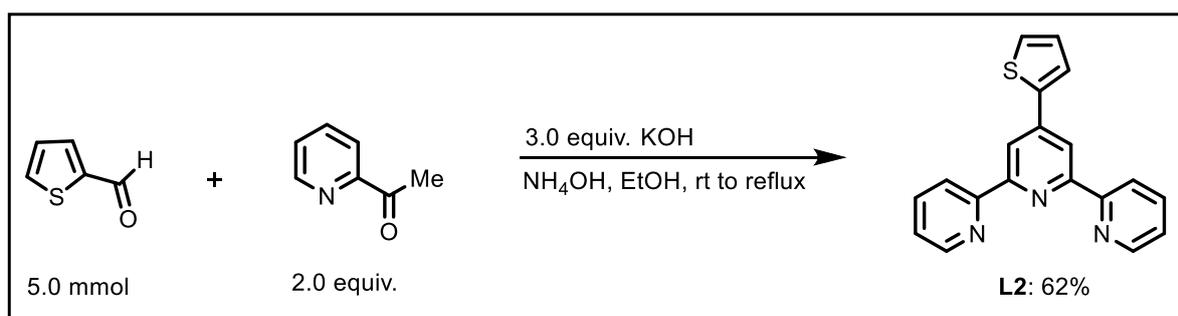
#### **Spectral data of L1:**

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.74 – 8.70 (m, 4H), 8.64 – 8.61 (m, 2H), 7.88 – 7.83 (m, 2H), 7.58 (d,  $J = 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.10 (t,  $J = 3.2$  Hz, 1H), 6.56 – 6.54 (m, 1H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  156.1, 155.9, 151.9, 149.1, 143.6, 139.5, 136.8, 123.8, 121.2, 115.1, 112.1, 109.1.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_3\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  300.1137, found 300.1152.

#### Preparation of L2:



1-(pyridin-2-yl)ethan-1-one (1.21 g, 10.0 mmol) was added to a solution of thiophene-2-carbaldehyde (560.7 mg, 5.0 mmol) in EtOH (30 mL). KOH pellets (840 mg, 15.0 mmol) and aq. NH<sub>3</sub> (25 mL, 30% solution) were then added to the solution. The solution was stirred at 90 °C for 4 h. The solvent was reduced to 20 mL and saturated with H<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL). The off-white solid was filtered, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (30 ml) and EtOH (30 ml). The precipitate was collected and recrystallized from hot MeOH afforded 4'-(thiophen-2-yl)-2,2':6',2''-terpyridine (**L2**) (978 mg, 62%) as white powder.

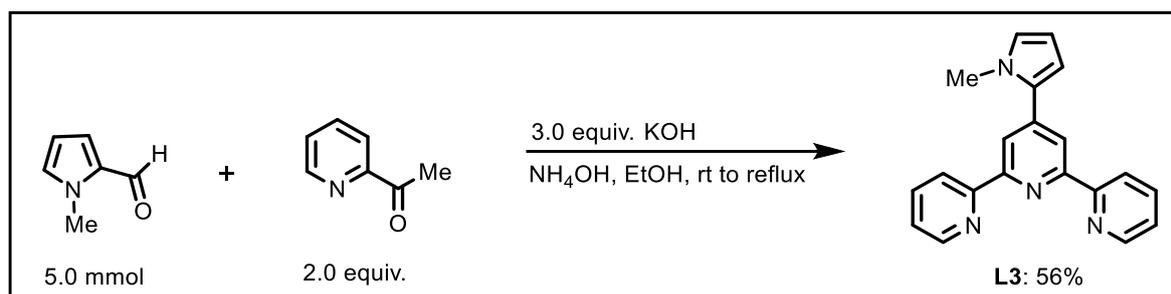
#### Spectral data of **L2**:

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.71 – 8.66 (m, 4H), 8.60 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 5.2 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 4.0 Hz, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 155.9, 155.9, 149.0, 143.3, 141.8, 136.7, 128.2, 127.0, 125.7, 123.8, 121.2, 117.0.

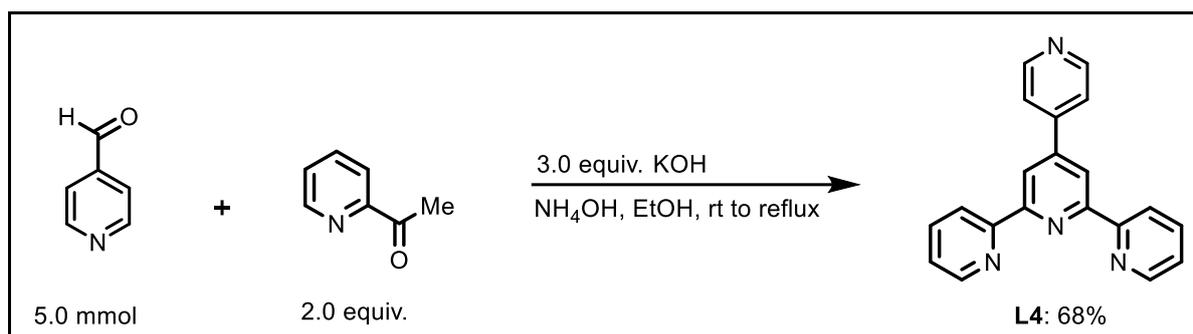
HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 316.0908, found 316.0921.

#### Preparation of **L3**:



1-(pyridin-2-yl)ethan-1-one (1.21 g, 10.0 mmol) was added to a solution of 1-methyl-1H-pyrrole-2-carbaldehyde (545.6 mg, 5.0 mmol) in EtOH (30 mL). KOH pellets (840 mg, 15.0 mmol) and aq. NH<sub>3</sub> (25 mL, 30% solution) were then added to the solution. The solution was stirred at 90 °C for 4 h. The solvent was reduced to 20 mL and saturated with H<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL). The off-white solid was filtered, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (30 ml) and EtOH (30 ml). The precipitate was collected and recrystallized from hot MeOH afforded 4'-(1-methyl-1H-pyrrol-2-yl)-2,2':6',2''-terpyridine (**L3**) (875 mg, 56%) as white powder. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>12</sup>

### Preparation of L4:



1-(pyridin-2-yl)ethan-1-one (1.21 g, 10.0 mmol) was added to a solution of isonicotinaldehyde (535.6 mg, 5.0 mmol) in EtOH (30 mL). KOH pellets (840 mg, 15.0 mmol) and aq. NH<sub>3</sub> (25 mL, 30% solution) were then added to the solution. The solution was stirred at 90 °C for 4 h. The solvent was reduced to 20 mL and saturated with H<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL). The off-white solid was filtered, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (30 ml) and EtOH (30 ml). The precipitate was collected and recrystallized from hot MeOH afforded 4'-(pyridin-4-yl)-2,2':6',2''-terpyridine (**L4**) (1.05 g, 68%) as white powder.

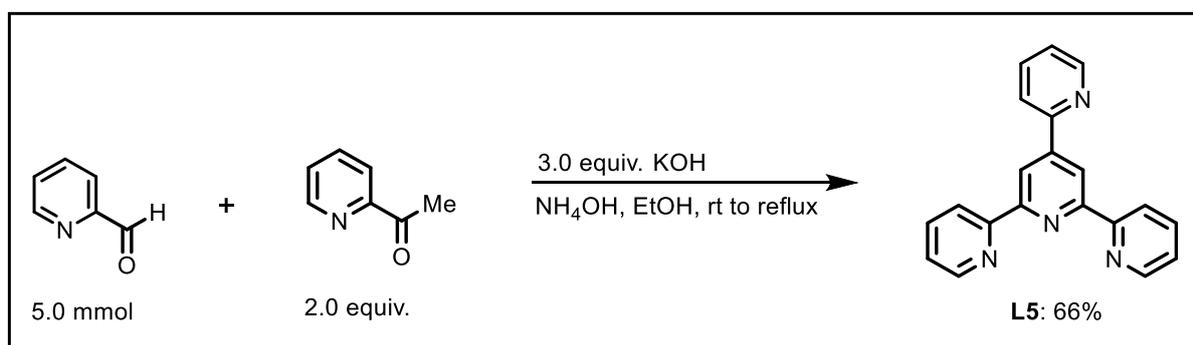
### **Spectral data of L4:**

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.74 – 8.69 (m, 6H), 8.63 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (td, *J* = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.74 (dd, *J* = 4.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.37 – 7.30 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 156.3, 155.6, 150.5, 149.1, 147.3, 145.8, 136.9, 124.0, 121.6, 121.3, 118.5.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 311.1297, found 311.1283.

### Preparation of L5:



1-(pyridin-2-yl)ethan-1-one (1.21 g, 10.0 mmol) was added to a solution of picolinaldehyde (535.6 mg, 5.0 mmol) in EtOH (30 mL). KOH pellets (840 mg, 15.0 mmol) and aq. NH<sub>3</sub> (25 mL, 30% solution) were then added to the solution. The solution was stirred at 90 °C for 4 h. The solvent was reduced to 20 mL and saturated with H<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL). The off-white solid was filtered, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (30 ml) and EtOH (30 ml). The precipitate was collected and

recrystallized from hot MeOH afforded 6'-(pyridin-2-yl)-2,2':4',2''-terpyridine (**L5**) (1.02 g, 66%) as white powder.

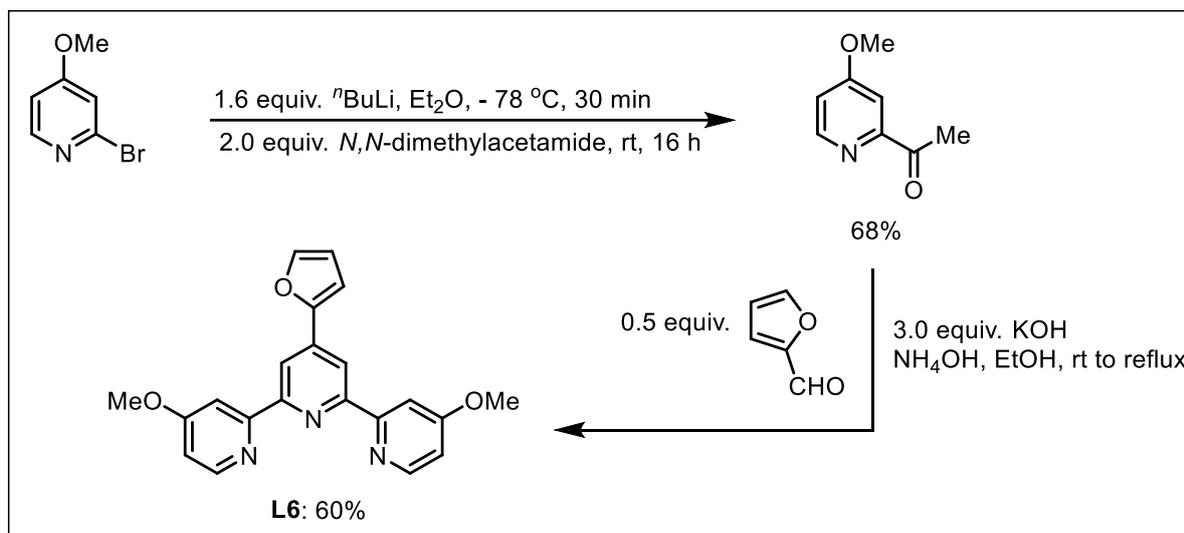
#### Spectral data of **L5**:

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  9.09 (s, 2H), 8.77 – 8.71 (m, 3H), 8.62 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 8.02 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.84 – 7.75 (m, 3H), 7.29 (t,  $J = 6.0$  Hz, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  156.1, 156.0, 154.9, 149.9, 149.1, 148.5, 136.7, 136.7, 123.7, 123.6, 121.2, 121.1, 118.5.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_4$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  311.1297, found 311.1288.

#### Preparation of **L6**:



**Step I:** Under cooling to  $-78^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $n$ -butyllithium (a 2.5 M solution in hexane, 13 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of 2-bromo-4-methoxypyridine (3.76 g, 20.0 mmol) in diethyl ether (60 mL) over 20 minutes, and then the resultant mixture was stirred for 30 minutes.  $N,N$ -dimethyl acetamide (3.7 mL, 2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise to the reaction solution, and the mixture was gradually warmed to room temperature, and stirred for 16 hours at room temperature. Saturated ammonium chloride solution was added to the reaction, which was then extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. After workup with ethyl acetate (100 ml x 3) and water (100 ml) the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (ethyl acetate-hexane), to obtain 1-(4-methoxypyridin-2-yl)ethan-1-one (2.06 g, 68%) as light-yellow solid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.44 (d,  $J = 5.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.52 (d,  $J = 2.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.93 (dd,  $J = 5.6, 2.8$  Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 2.67 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  199.9, 166.4, 155.4, 150.0, 113.8, 106.7.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{10}\text{NO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  152.0712, found 152.0726.

**Step II:** 1-(4-methoxypyridin-2-yl)ethan-1-one (1.51 g, 10.0 mmol) was added to a solution of furan-2-carbaldehyde (480 mg, 5.0 mmol) in EtOH (30 mL). KOH pellets (840 mg, 15.0 mmol) and aq. NH<sub>3</sub> (25 mL, 30% solution) were then added to the solution. The solution was stirred at 90 °C for 4 h. The solvent was reduced to 20 mL and saturated with H<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL). The off-white solid was filtered, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (30 ml) and EtOH (30 ml). The precipitate was collected and recrystallized from hot MeOH afforded 4'-(furan-2-yl)-4,4''-dimethoxy-2,2':6',2''-terpyridine (**L6**) (1.08 g, 60%) as white powder.

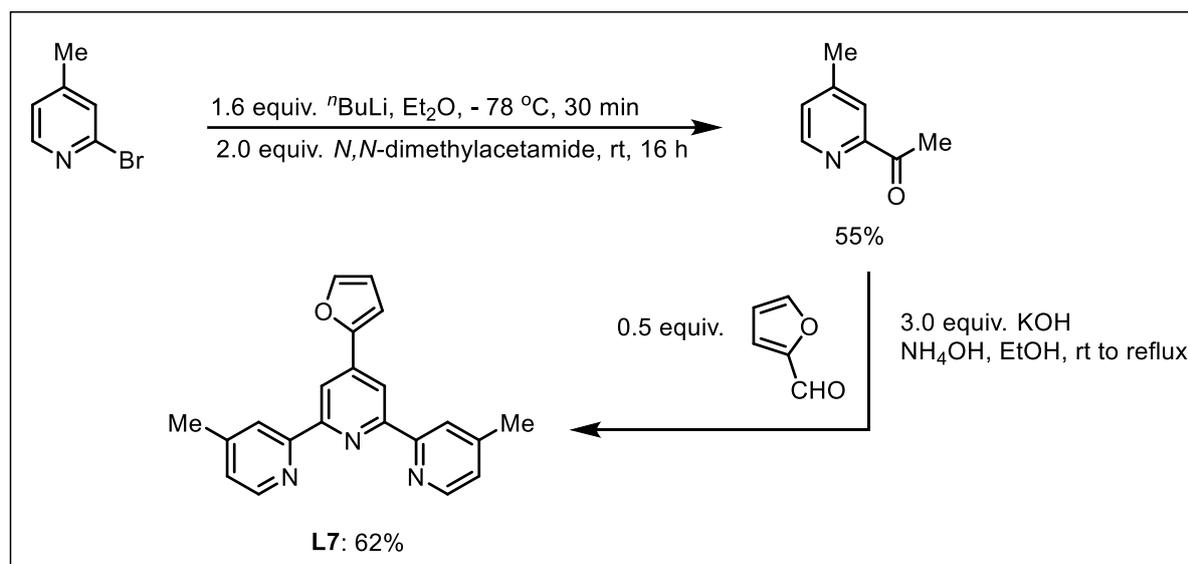
**Spectral data of L6:**

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.69 (s, 2H), 8.55 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (dd, *J* = 5.6, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 6.55 (dd, *J* = 3.6, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (s, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 166.4, 157.7, 155.5, 151.8, 150.3, 143.5, 139.3, 115.3, 112.0, 109.9, 109.1, 107.0, 55.1.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 360.1348, found 360.1355.

Preparation of L7:



**Step I:** Under cooling to -78°C, n-butyllithium (a 2.5 M solution in hexane, 13 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of 2-bromo-4-methylpyridine (3.44 g, 20.0 mmol) in diethyl ether (60 mL) over 20 minutes, and then the resultant mixture was stirred for 30 minutes. *N,N*-dimethyl acetamide (3.7 mL, 2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise to the reaction solution, and the mixture was gradually warmed to room temperature, and stirred for 16 hours at room temperature. Saturated ammonium chloride solution was added to the reaction, which was then extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. After workup with ethyl acetate (100 ml x 3) and water (100 ml) the solvent was removed under reduced

pressure and the crude residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (ethyl acetate-hexane), to obtain 1-(4-methylpyridin-2-yl)ethan-1-one (1.49 g, 55%) as light-yellow oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>13</sup>

**Step II:** 1-(4-methylpyridin-2-yl)ethan-1-one (1.35 g, 10.0 mmol) was added to a solution of furan-2-carbaldehyde (480 mg, 5.0 mmol) in EtOH (30 mL). KOH pellets (840 mg, 15.0 mmol) and aq. NH<sub>3</sub> (25 mL, 30% solution) were then added to the solution. The solution was stirred at 90 °C for 4 h. The solvent was reduced to 20 mL and saturated with H<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL). The off-white solid was filtered, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (30 ml) and EtOH (30 ml). The precipitate was collected and recrystallized from hot MeOH afforded 4'-(furan-2-yl)-4,4''-dimethyl-2,2':6',2''-terpyridine (**L7**) (1.01 g, 62%) as white powder.

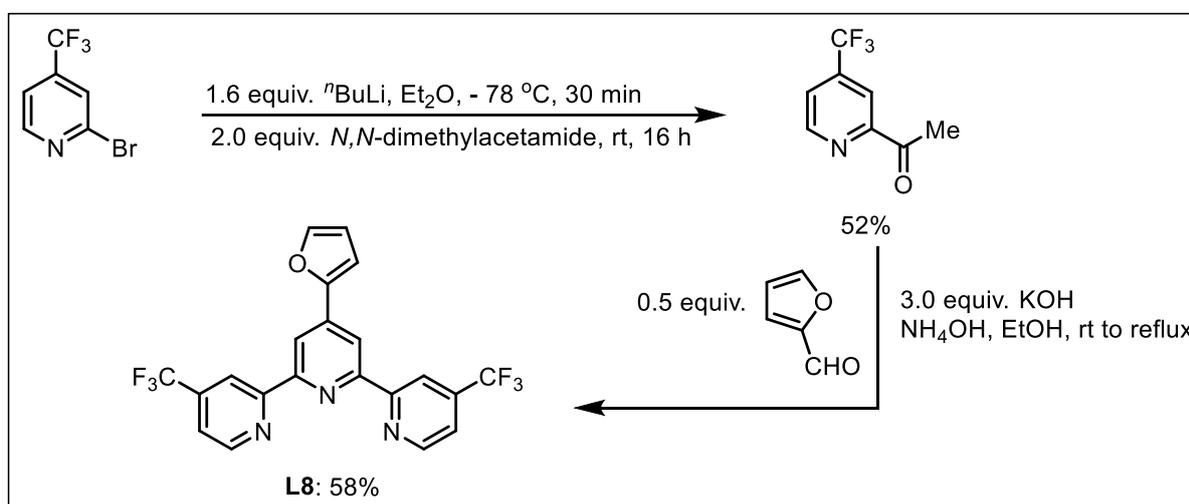
#### Spectral data of **L7**:

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.67 (s, 2H), 8.57 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 8.41 (s, 2H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (dd, *J* = 3.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (s, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 156.1, 155.9, 151.9, 148.9, 147.9, 143.6, 139.4, 124.8, 122.0, 115.2, 112.0, 109.0, 76.7, 21.3.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 328.1450, found 328.1442.

#### Preparation of **L8**:



**Step I:** Under cooling to -78°C, *n*-butyllithium (a 2.5 M solution in hexane, 13 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of 2-bromo-4-(trifluoromethyl)pyridine (4.52 g, 20.0 mmol) in diethyl ether (60 mL) over 20 minutes, and then the resultant mixture was stirred for 30 minutes. *N,N*-dimethyl acetamide (3.7 mL, 2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise to the reaction solution, and the mixture was gradually warmed to room temperature, and stirred for 16 hours at room temperature. Saturated ammonium chloride solution was added to the reaction, which was then

extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. After workup with ethyl acetate (100 ml x 3) and water (100 ml) the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (ethyl acetate-hexane), to obtain 1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl)ethan-1-one (1.97 g, 52%) as light-yellow oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>14</sup>

**Step II:** 1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl)ethan-1-one (1.89 g, 10.0 mmol) was added to a solution of furan-2-carbaldehyde (480 mg, 5.0 mmol) in EtOH (30 mL). KOH pellets (840 mg, 15.0 mmol) and aq. NH<sub>3</sub> (25 mL, 30% solution) were then added to the solution. The solution was stirred at 90 °C for 4 h. The solvent was reduced to 20 mL and saturated with H<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL). The off-white solid was filtered, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (30 ml) and EtOH (30 ml). The precipitate was collected and recrystallized from hot MeOH afforded 4'-(furan-2-yl)-4,4"-bis(trifluoromethyl)-2,2':6',2"-terpyridine (**L8**) (1.26 g, 58%) as light-yellow powder.

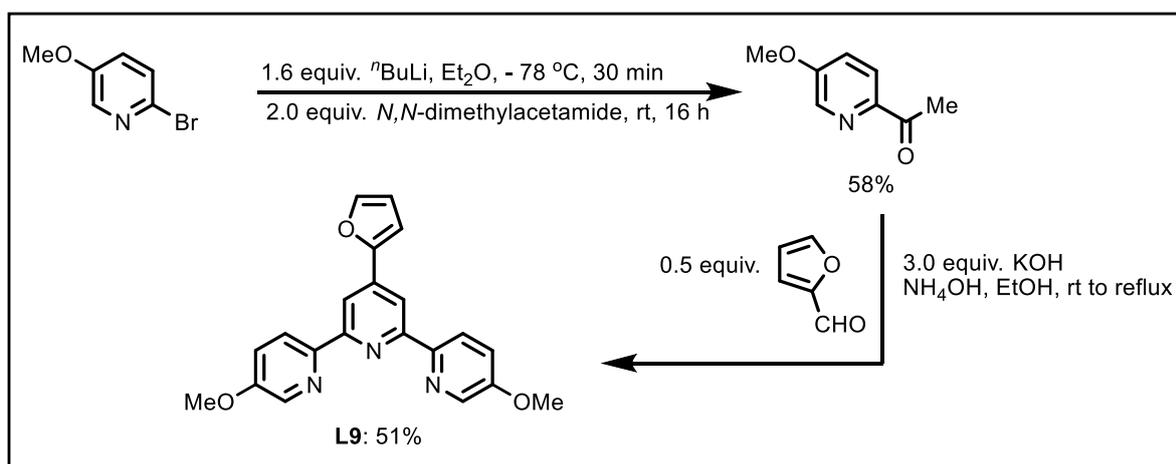
#### Spectral data of L8:

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.79 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 8.65 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 4H), 7.50 – 7.47 (m, 3H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.48 – 6.47 (m, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 157.2, 154.9, 151.4, 150.1, 144.1, 139.9, 139.6, 119.4, 117.0, 116.1, 112.3, 109.7.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>12</sub>F<sub>6</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 436.0885, found 436.0868.

#### Preparation of L9:



**Step I:** Under cooling to -78°C, n-butyllithium (a 2.5 M solution in hexane, 13 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of 2-bromo-5-methoxypyridine (3.76 g, 20.0 mmol) in diethyl ether (60 mL) over 20 minutes, and then the resultant mixture was stirred for 30 minutes. N,N-dimethyl acetamide (3.7 mL, 2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise to the reaction solution, and the mixture was gradually warmed to room temperature, and stirred for 16 hours at room temperature.

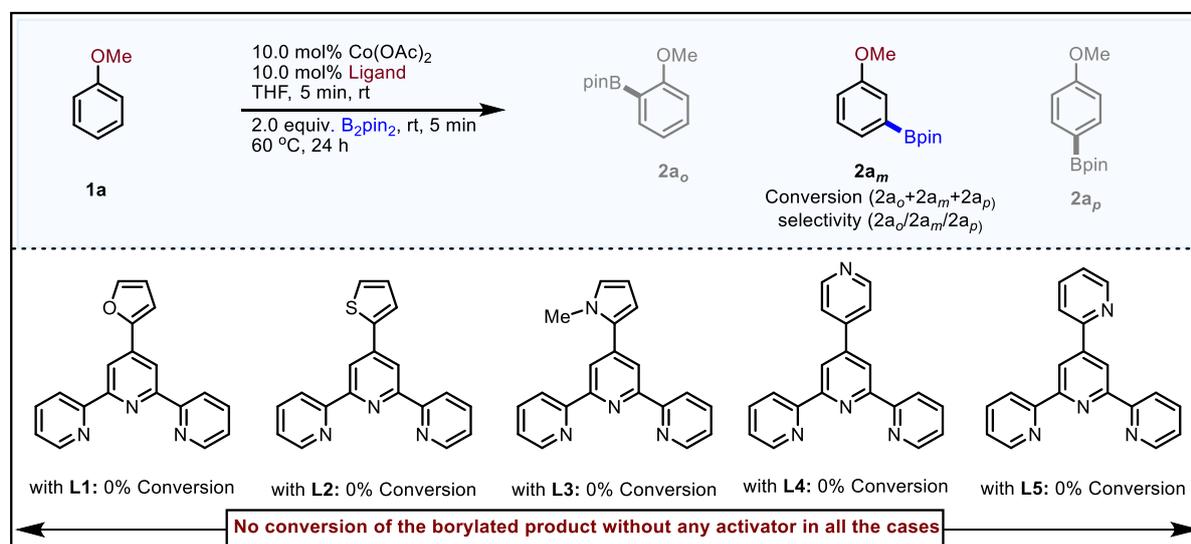
Saturated ammonium chloride solution was added to the reaction, which was then extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. After workup with ethyl acetate (100 ml x 3) and water (100 ml) the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (ethyl acetate-hexane), to obtain 1-(5-methoxypyridin-2-yl)ethan-1-one (1.75 g, 58%) as light-yellow oil.

**Step II:** 1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)pyridin-2-yl)ethan-1-one (1.89 g, 10.0 mmol) was added to a solution of furan-2-carbaldehyde (480 mg, 5.0 mmol) in EtOH (30 mL). KOH pellets (840 mg, 15.0 mmol) and aq. NH<sub>3</sub> (25 mL, 30% solution) were then added to the solution. The solution was stirred at 90 °C for 4 h. The solvent was reduced to 20 mL and saturated with H<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL). The off-white solid was filtered, washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (30 ml) and EtOH (30 ml). The precipitate was collected and recrystallized from hot MeOH afforded 4'-(furan-2-yl)-5,5"-dimethoxy-2,2':6',2"-terpyridine (**L9**) (916 mg, 51%) as light-yellow powder.

## Reaction Developments

**Reaction Optimization for the *meta* selective borylation of arenes with *in situ* pre-catalyst activation:**

**The course of reaction without any activator:**

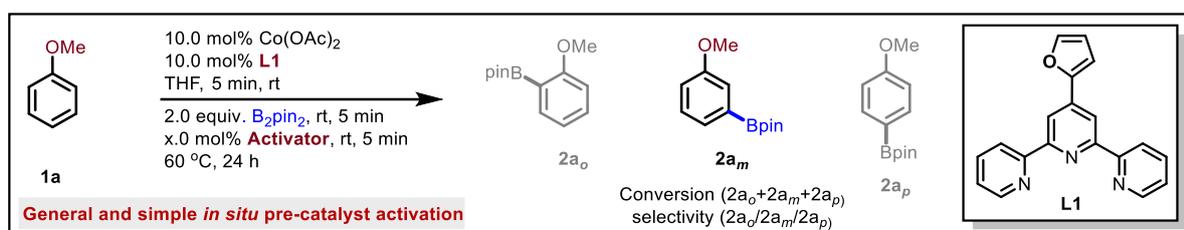


**Figure S1:** The course of reaction without any activator with various heteroarene appended TPY ligands.

**General procedure without activator:** In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with  $Co(OAc)_2$  (1.8 mg, 10.0 mol%), ligand (10.0 mol%) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Then  $B_2pin_2$  (50.8 mg, 2.0 equiv.) was added to it and stirred for another 5 minutes. Then

*substrate* (0.1 mmol) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversions and selectivities were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. In all the cases we observed no conversion of the corresponding borylated product. Hence, without any activator, active catalyst is not generated.

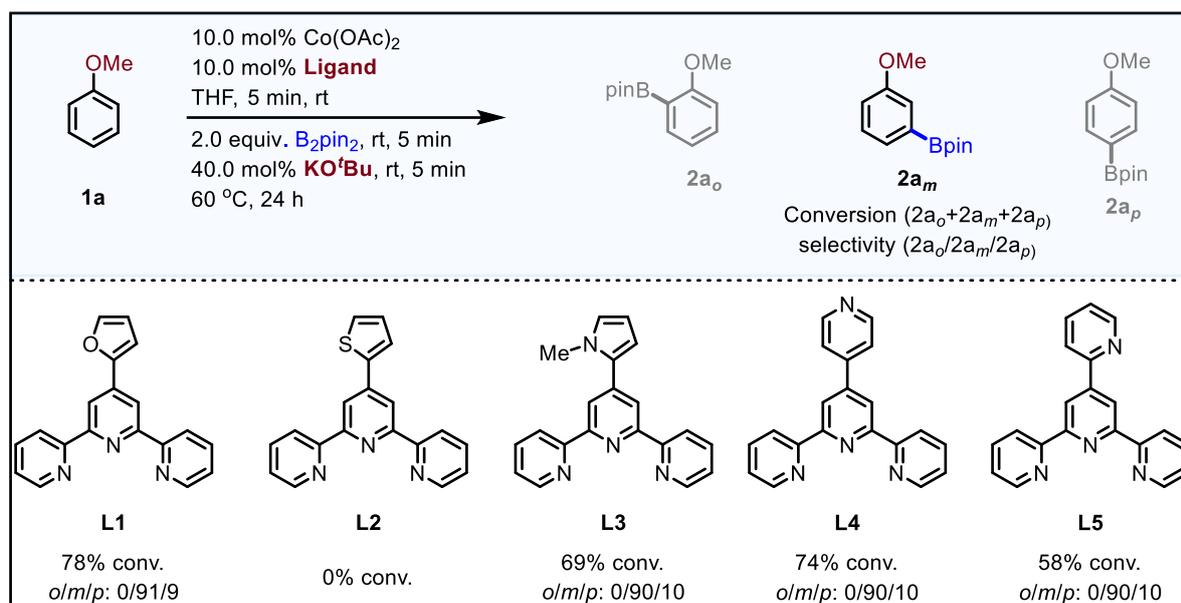
### Incorporation of activators and their effects:



**Table S1:** Effect of non-organometallic activators and further screenings:

entry	Activator	Loading	conversion	<i>o:m:p</i>
1	Without Activator		0%	
2.	KO <sup>t</sup> Bu	10 mol%	0%	
3.	KO <sup>t</sup> Bu	20 mol%	0%	
4.	KO <sup>t</sup> Bu	30 mol%	73%	0:91:9
5.	<b>KO<sup>t</sup>Bu</b>	<b>40 mol%</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>0:91:9</b>
8.	NaO <sup>t</sup> Bu	40 mol%	61%	0:90:10
9.	LiO <sup>t</sup> Bu	40 mol%	51%	0:88:12
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11.	KOPiv	40 mol%	25%	0:91:9

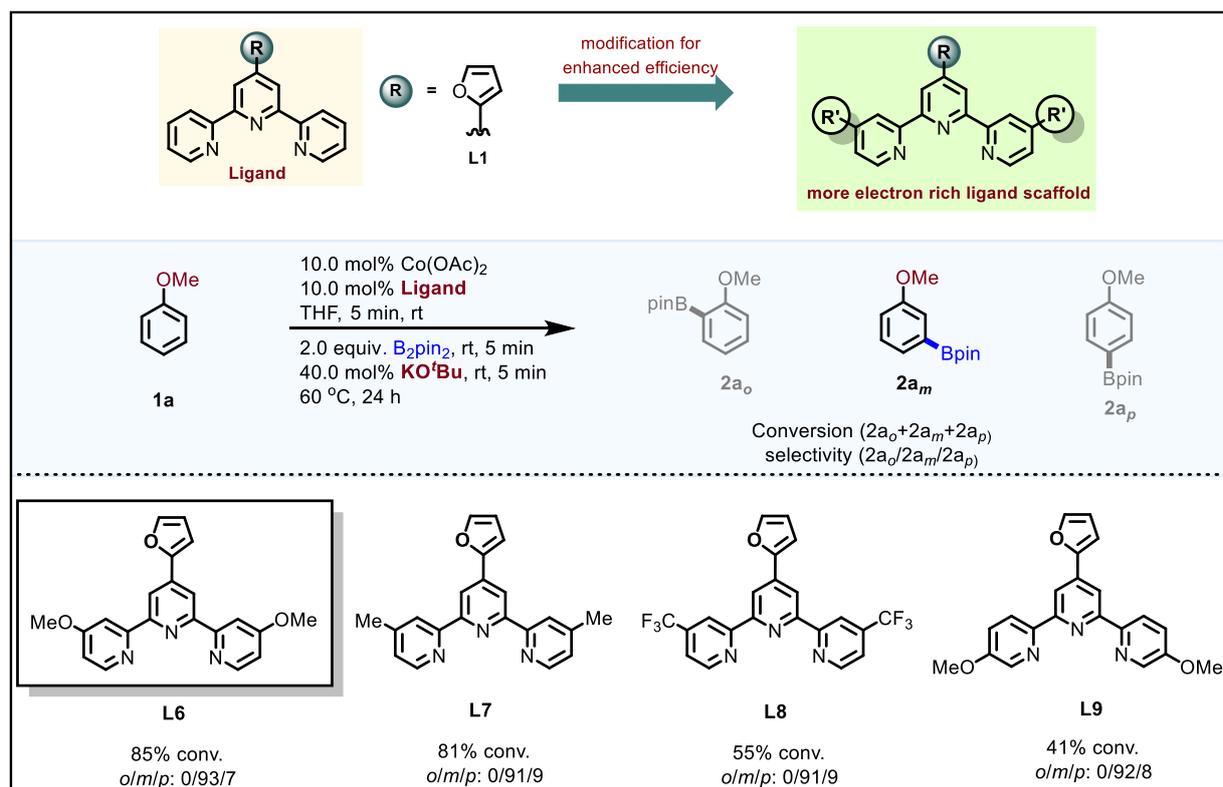
## Further screening with other ligands:



**Figure S2:** Further screening with various heteroarene appended TPY ligands in presence of activator.

**General procedure with activator:** In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with Co(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (1.8 mg, 10.0 mol%), ligand L1 (3.6 mg, 10.0 mol%) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Then B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (25.4 – 50.8 mg, 1.0 – 2.0 equiv.) was added to it and stirred for another 5 minutes. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the *in situ* generated catalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (1.1 – 4.5 mg, 10.0 – 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes *substrate* (0.1 mmol) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversions and selectivities were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard.

## Further modification of the ligand scaffold:



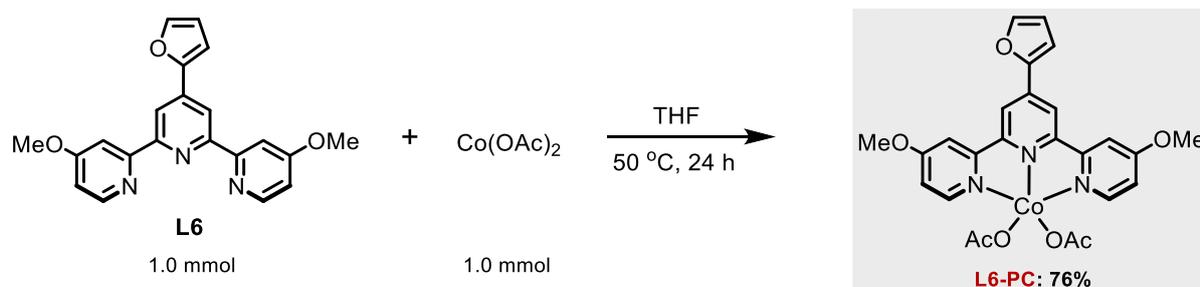
**Figure S3:** Further modification of the ligand scaffold and their effects on the course of the reaction.

**Table S2:** Further optimization with the optimized ligand L6:

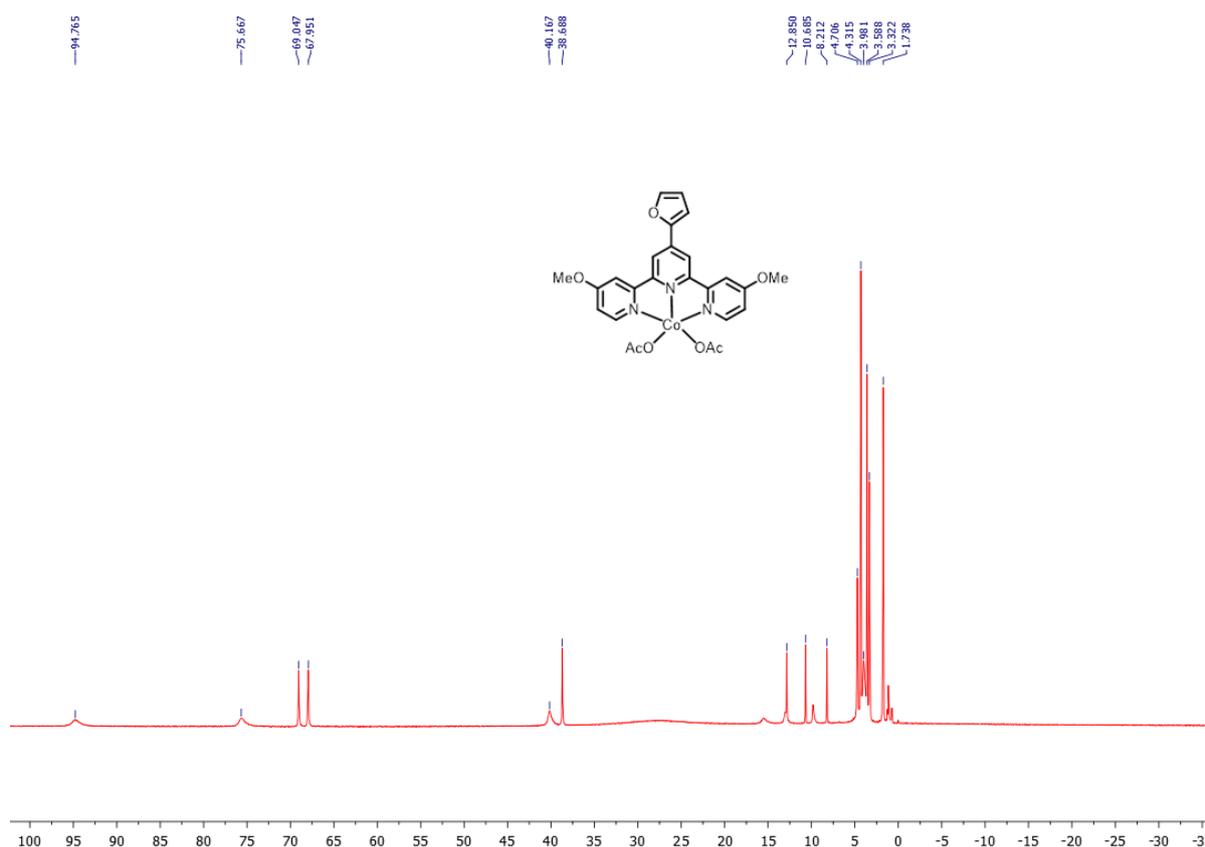
Entry	Ligand	KO <sup>t</sup> Bu (Loading)	B <sub>2</sub> pin <sub>2</sub>	Temperature	Conversion	o:m:p
1	L6	40.0 mol%	1.0 equiv	60 °C	65%	0:93:7
2.	L6	40.0 mol%	1.2 equiv.	60 °C	70%	0:93:7
3.	L6	40.0 mol%	1.5 equiv.	60 °C	73%	0:93:7
4.	L6	40.0 mol%	2.0 equiv.	60 °C	85%	0:93:7
5.	L6	40.0 mol%	2.0 equiv.	40 °C	75%	0:93:7
6.	L6	40.0 mol%	2.0 equiv.	50 °C	79%	0:93:7
7.	L6	30.0 mol%	2.0 equiv.	60 °C	82%	0:93:7
8.	L6	35.0 mol%	2.0 equiv.	60 °C	85%	0:93:7
9.	L6	40.0 mol%	4.0 equiv. HBpin	60 °C	0%	0:93:7

**Reaction Procedure:** Same as General procedure with activator.

**Preparation of Cobalt Pre-catalyst:** In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with anhydrous  $\text{Co}(\text{OAc})_2$  (177 mg, 1.0 mmol), ligand L6 (359.4, 1.0 mmol) and dry THF (3.0 mL) sequentially. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 50 °C for 24 h, during which a light-brown precipitate formed. The resulting solid was collected by filtration, washed several times with anhydrous *n*-hexane, and dried under vacuum for 24 h to afford the light-brown powder pre-catalyst **L6-PC**.



We have taken the NMR in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ - $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$  (1:1) and the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra is following,



$^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of **L6-PC** (25 °C, 400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ : $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$  (1:1))

Keeping the NMR tube inside the glove box fridge at -20 °C for several days, we got corresponding crystals (although the quality was not very good) and recorded the XRD data for further confirming the pre-catalyst formation.



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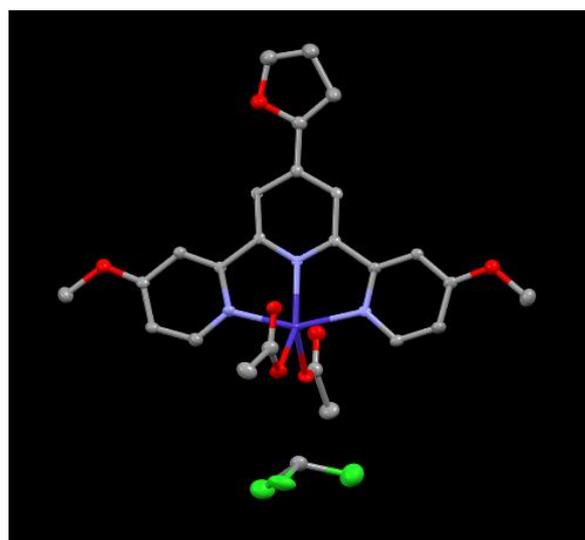
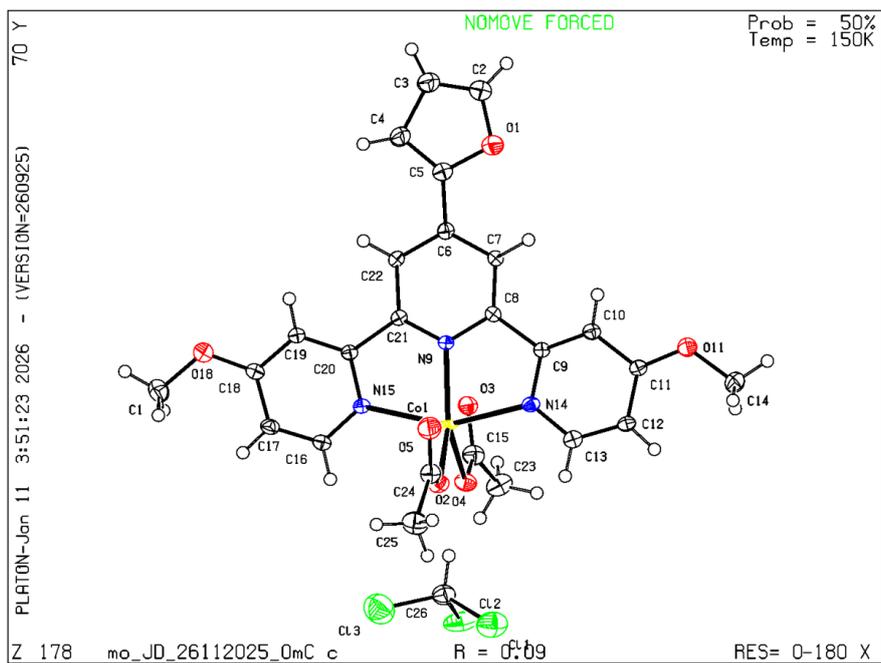
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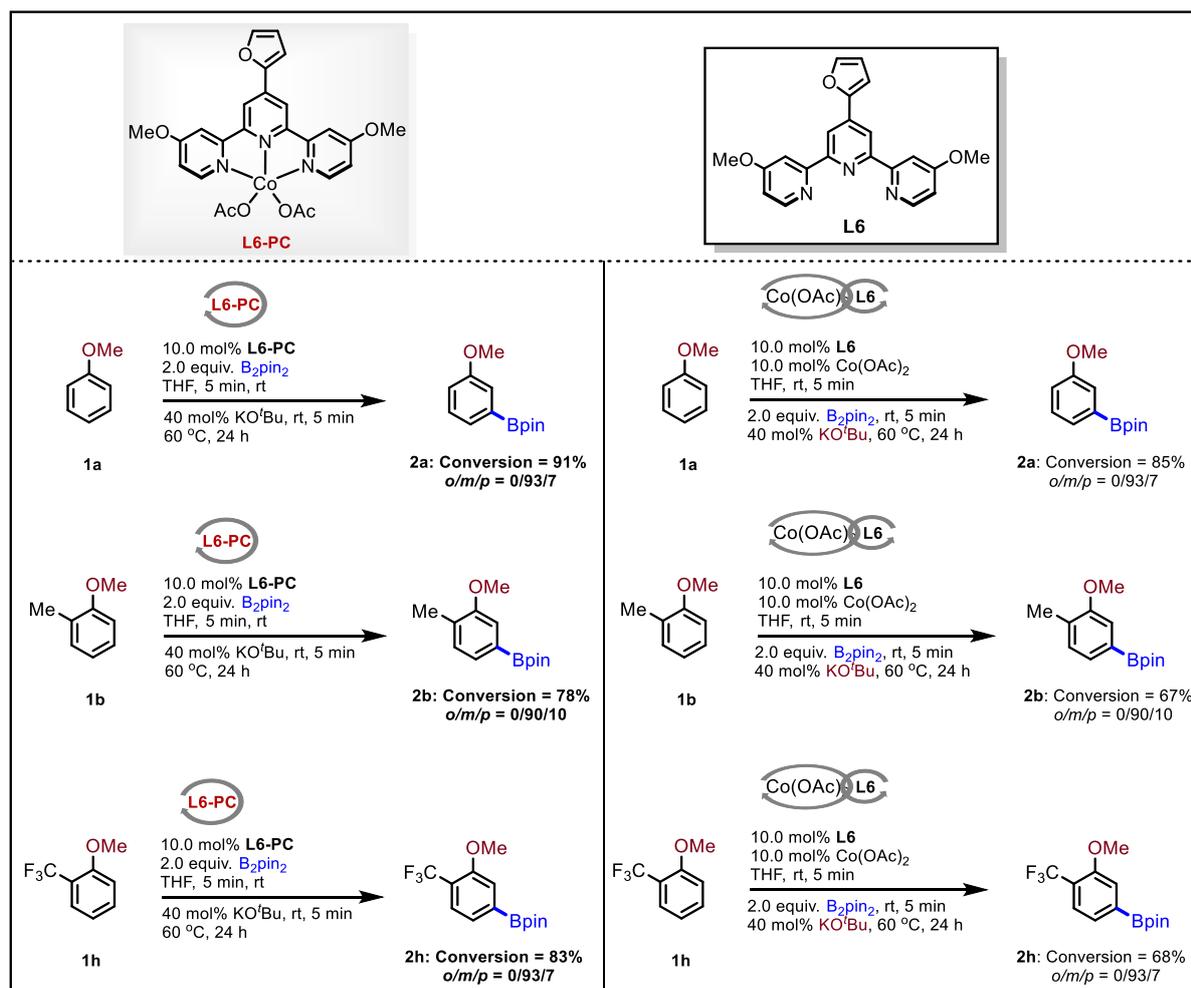
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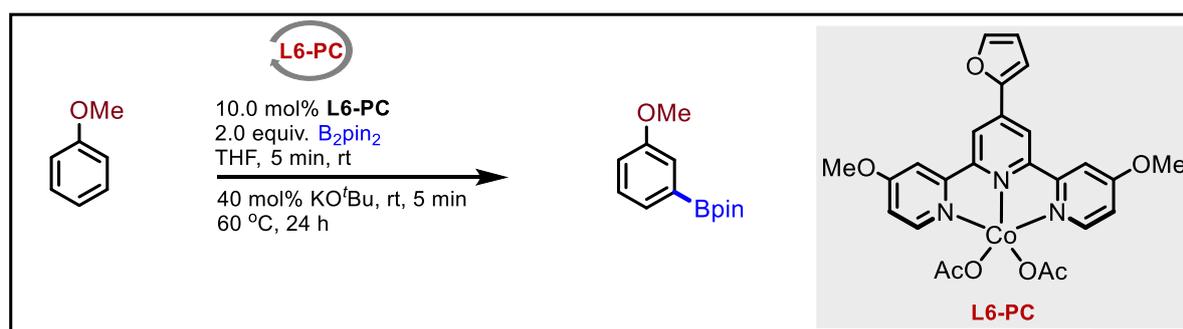
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## Superior reaction outcome with pre-catalyst L6-PC:



**Figure S4:** Comparison between the catalytic activity of L6-PC and L6/Co(OAc)<sub>2</sub>.

### Optimized reaction conditions:

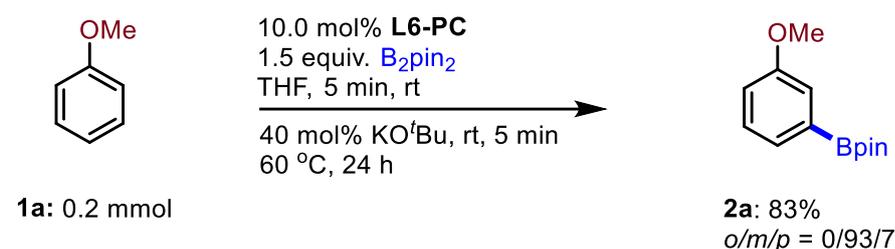


In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with L6-PC (5.4 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (50.8 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (4.5 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, substrate (0.1 mmol) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot

was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. For NMR Conversion, the reaction was then diluted with chloroform and filtered through a thin pad of silica gel under air. The resulting mixture was concentrated in vacuo and then analyzed by  $^1\text{H}$  using trimethoxybenzene as internal standard.

### **Substrate Scope: Substrate scope for the *meta* C-H borylation of diverse classes of arenes**

*meta*-Borylation of anisole (**2a**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (76.2 mg, 1.5 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, anisole (**1a**: 0.2 mmol, 21.6 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 38.8 mg (83%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2a**) as gummy liquid.

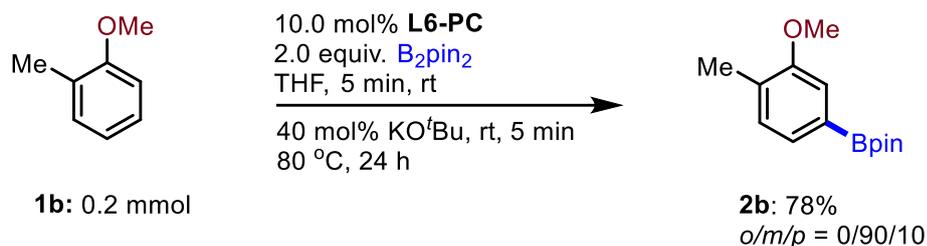
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (800 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.40 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.30 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.01 (ddd,  $J = 8.0, 2.4, 0.8$  Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (200 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  159.0, 128.9, 127.2, 118.6, 117.9, 83.8, 55.2, 24.8.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (256 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): 30.8.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{20}\text{BO}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  235.1505, found 235.1518.

*meta*-Borylation of 2-methylanisole (**1b**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, 2-methylanisole (**1b**: 0.2 mmol, 24.4 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 38.7 mg (78%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2b**) as gummy liquid.

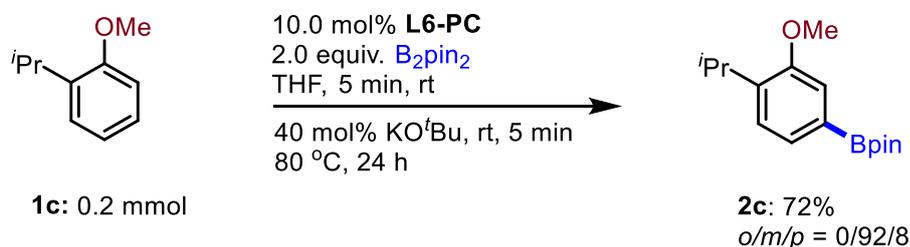
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.34 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 12H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 157.3, 130.2, 127.2, 115.3, 83.6, 55.3, 24.8, 16.5.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 30.8.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>22</sub>BO<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 249.1662, found 249.1665.

*meta*-Borylation of 1-isopropyl-2-methoxybenzene (**1c**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, 1-isopropyl-2-methoxybenzene (**1c**: 0.2 mmol, 30.0 mg) was

added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 39.8 mg (72%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2c**) as gummy liquid.

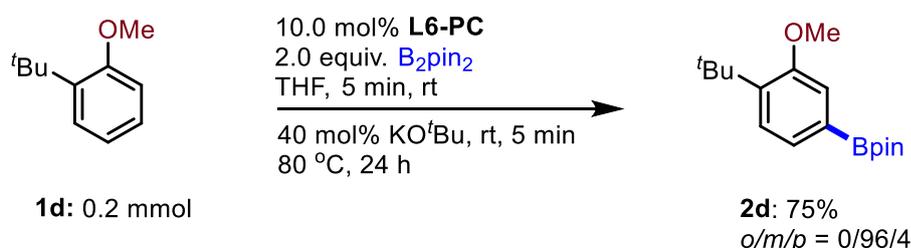
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.41 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.27 (s, 1H), 7.23 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.38 – 3.31 (m, 1H), 1.34 (s, 12H), 1.21 (d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 6H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  156.2, 140.6, 127.5, 125.5, 115.9, 83.6, 55.4, 26.8, 24.8, 22.5.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.9.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{26}\text{BO}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  277.1975, found 277.1968.

*meta*-Borylation of 1-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxybenzene (**2d**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, 1-(tert-butyl)-2-methoxybenzene (**1d**: 0.2 mmol, 32.8 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 43.5 mg (75%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2d**) as gummy liquid.

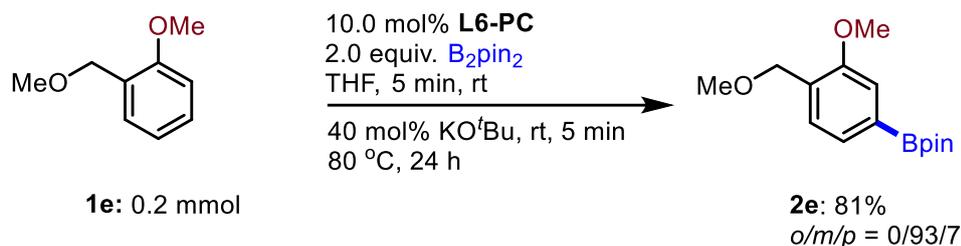
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.37 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 9H), 1.34 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  158.0, 141.7, 127.2, 126.1, 117.1, 83.7, 55.1, 35.0, 29.6, 24.8.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  31.0.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{28}\text{BO}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  291.2132, found 291.2129.

*meta*-Borylation of 1-methoxy-2-(methoxymethyl)benzene (**2e**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, 1-methoxy-2-(methoxymethyl)benzene (**1e**: 0.2 mmol, 30.4 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 45.1 mg (81%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2e**) as gummy liquid.

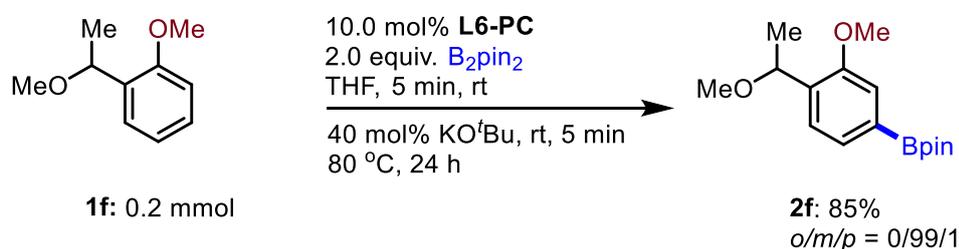
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.43 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 4.52 (s, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.41 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 12H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 156.4, 129.8, 127.9, 127.2, 115.5, 83.7, 69.5, 58.3, 55.4, 24.8.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 30.8.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>BO<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 279.1768, found 279.1759.

*meta*-Borylation of 1-methoxy-2-(1-methoxyethyl)benzene (**2f**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, 1-methoxy-2-(1-methoxyethyl)benzene (**1f**: 0.2 mmol, 33.2 mg)

was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu$ L of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 49.7 mg (85%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2f**) as gummy liquid.

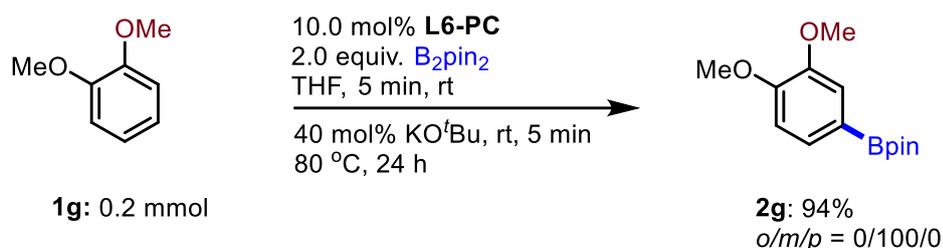
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.47 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.29 (s, 1H), 4.76 (q,  $J = 6.4$  Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 1.37 (d,  $J = 6.4$  Hz, 3H), 1.34 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  156.1, 135.2, 127.6, 125.2, 115.8, 83.7, 73.3, 56.5, 55.3, 24.8, 22.4.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.8.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{26}\text{BO}_4$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  293.1924, found 293.1931.

*meta*-Borylation of 1,2-dimethoxybenzene (**2g**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, 1,2-dimethoxybenzene (**1g**: 0.2 mmol, 27.6 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu$ L of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (5% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 49.7 mg (94%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2g**) as gummy liquid.

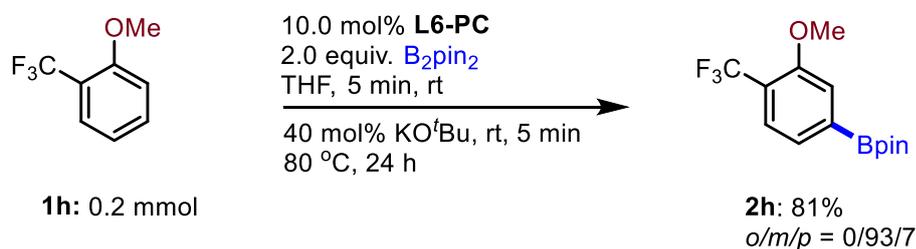
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.42 (dd,  $J = 7.6, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d,  $J = 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  151.5, 148.2, 128.4, 116.5, 110.4, 83.4, 55.6, 55.5, 24.7.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.4.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $C_{14}H_{22}BO_4$   $[M+H]^+$  265.1611, found 265.1619.

*meta*-Borylation of 1-methoxy-2-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (**2h**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, 1-methoxy-2-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (**1h**: 0.2 mmol, 35.2 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu$ L of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 48.9 mg (81%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2h**) as gummy liquid.

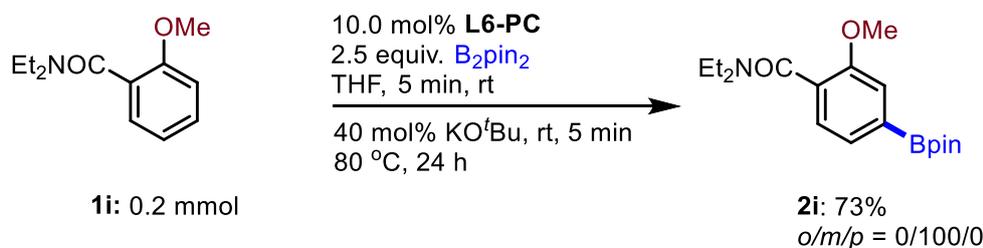
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.55 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 12H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  156.8, 126.4, 126.3 (q,  $J$  = 5.3 Hz), 123.6 (q,  $J$  = 270.8 Hz), 121.0 (q,  $J$  = 30.4 Hz), 117.5, 84.3, 56.0, 24.8.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  30.6.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $C_{14}H_{19}BF_3O_3$   $[M+H]^+$  303.1379, found 303.1386.

*meta*-Borylation of *N,N*-diethyl-2-methoxybenzamide (**2i**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** to the precatalyst

produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *N,N*-diethyl-2-methoxybenzamide (**1i**: 0.2 mmol, 41.5 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (20% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 48.6 mg (73%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2i**) as gummy liquid.

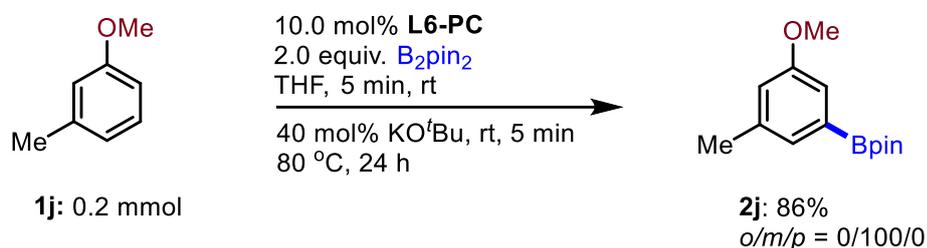
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.37 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (s, 1H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.54 – 3.45 (m, 18H), 3.05 (q, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.30 (s, 12H), 0.95 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 168.7, 154.4, 129.3, 127.3, 126.7, 116.3, 83.9, 55.4, 42.7, 38.8, 24.4, 13.7, 12.7.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 31.3.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>29</sub>BNO<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 334.2190, found 334.2181.

*meta*-Borylation of 1-methoxy-3-methylbenzene (**2j**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, 1-methoxy-3-methylbenzene (**1j**: 0.2 mmol, 24.4 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 42.7 mg (86%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2j**) as gummy liquid.

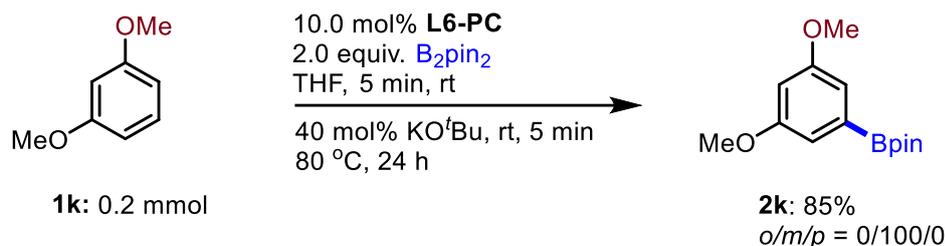
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.25 (s, 1H), 7.15 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  159.1, 138.9, 128.0, 118.7, 115.6, 83.7, 55.2, 24.8, 21.2.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.9.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{22}\text{BO}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  249.1662, found 249.1652.

*meta*-Borylation of 1,3-dimethoxybenzene (**2k**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, 1,3-dimethoxybenzene (**1k**: 0.2 mmol, 27.6 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (5% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 44.9 mg (85%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2k**) as gummy liquid.

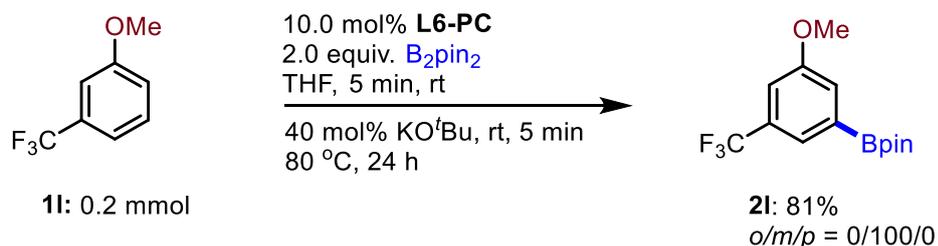
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  6.94 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 2H), 6.55 (t,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 6H), 1.33 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  160.3, 111.5, 104.4, 83.8, 55.3, 24.8.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.6.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{22}\text{BO}_4$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  265.1611, found 265.1629.

*meta*-Borylation of 1-methoxy-3-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (**2l**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, 1-methoxy-3-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (**11**: 0.2 mmol, 35.2 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 48.9 mg (81%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**21**) as gummy liquid.

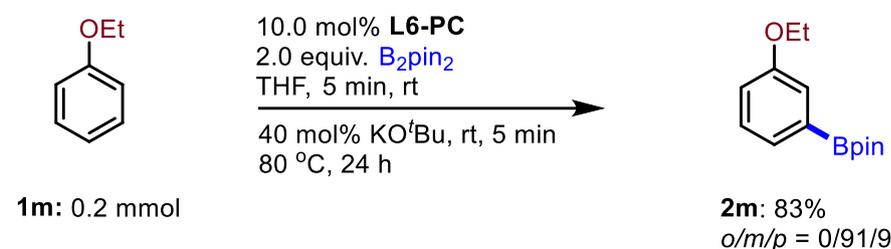
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (s, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 12H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 159.2, 131.4 (q, *J* = 31.6 Hz), 124.0 (q, *J* = 270.9 Hz), 123.5 (q, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 122.53 (d, *J* = 0.7 Hz), 114.1 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 84.3, 55.5, 24.8.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 30.6.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>19</sub>BF<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 303.1379, found 303.1371.

*meta*-Borylation of ethoxybenzene (**2m**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, ethoxybenzene (**1m**: 0.2 mmol, 24.4 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with

silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 41.2 mg (83%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2m**) as gummy liquid.

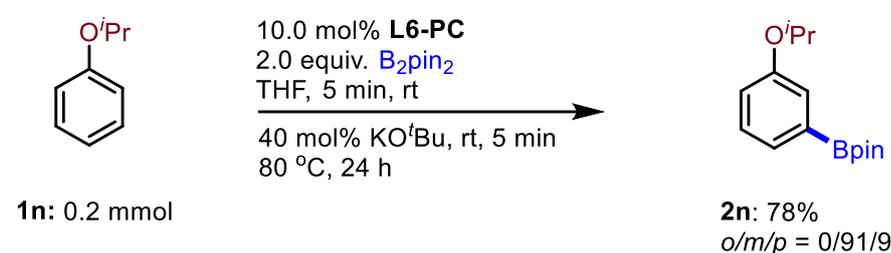
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (800 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.38 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.28 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.00 (ddd,  $J = 8.0, 2.4, 0.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.08 – 4.05 (m, 2H), 1.40 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H), 1.34 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (200 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  158.34, 128.9, 127.0, 119.5, 118.4, 83.8, 63.3, 24.8, 14.9.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): 30.8.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{22}\text{BO}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  249.1662, found 249.1651.

*meta*-Borylation of isopropoxybenzene (**2n**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, isopropoxybenzene (**1n**: 0.2 mmol, 27.2 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 40.9 mg (78%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2n**) as gummy liquid.

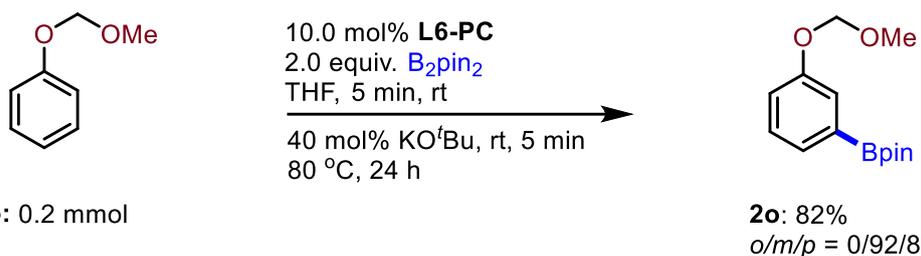
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.37 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.27 (t,  $J = 8.0$ , 2H), 7.00 – 6.96 (m, 1H), 4.63 – 4.57 (m, 1H), 1.34 – 1.32 (m, 18H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  157.4, 128.9, 127.0, 121.4, 119.6, 83.7, 69.8, 24.8, 22.1.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.8.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{24}\text{BO}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  263.1819, found 263.1811.

*meta*-Borylation of (methoxymethoxy)benzene (**2o**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $B_2pin_2$  (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $B_2pin_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $KO^tBu$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, (methoxymethoxy)benzene (**1o**: 0.2 mmol, 27.6 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu$ L of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 43.3 mg (82%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2o**) as gummy liquid.

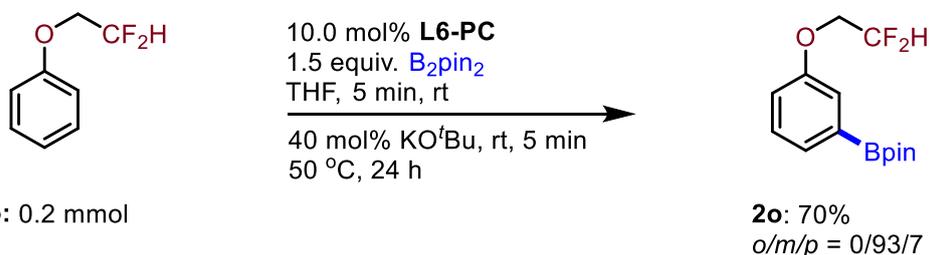
$^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ): 7.47 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.30 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.14 (ddd,  $J = 8.0, 2.4, 0.8$  Hz, 1H), 5.20 (s, 2H), 3.48 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 12H).

$^{13}C$  NMR (100 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  156.6, 128.95, 128.3, 121.9, 119.5, 94.3, 83.8, 56.0, 24.8.

$^{11}B$  NMR (128 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.8.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $C_{14}H_{22}BO_4$   $[M+H]^+$  265.1611, found 265.1623.

*meta*-Borylation of (2,2-difluoroethoxy)benzene (**2p**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $B_2pin_2$  (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $B_2pin_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $KO^tBu$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, (2,2-difluoroethoxy)benzene (**1p**: 0.2 mmol, 31.6 mg) was added

to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 50 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 39.8 mg (70%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2p**) as gummy liquid.

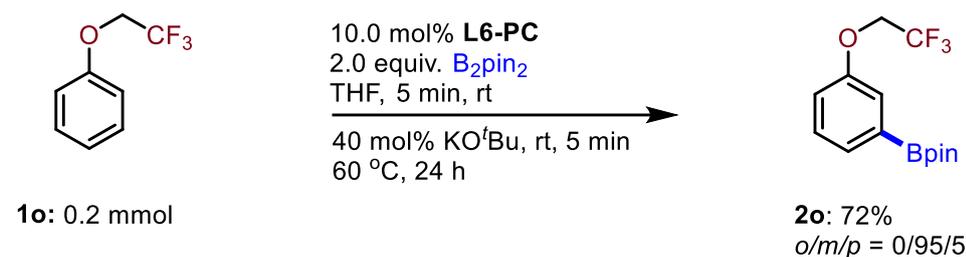
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.46 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.04 (ddd, *J* = 8.4, 2.8, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.06 (tt, *J* = 55.2, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (td, *J* = 13.2, 4.4 Hz, 2H), 1.34 (s, 12H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 157.2, 129.2, 128.4, 119.4, 118.5, 113.8 (t, *J* = 239.2 Hz), 84.0, 67.3 (t, *J* = 29.3 Hz, 24.8).

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 30.6.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>BF<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 285.1474, found 285.1469.

*meta*-Borylation of (2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)benzene (**2q**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, (2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)benzene (**1q**: 0.2 mmol, 35.2 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 43.5 mg (72%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2q**) as gummy liquid.

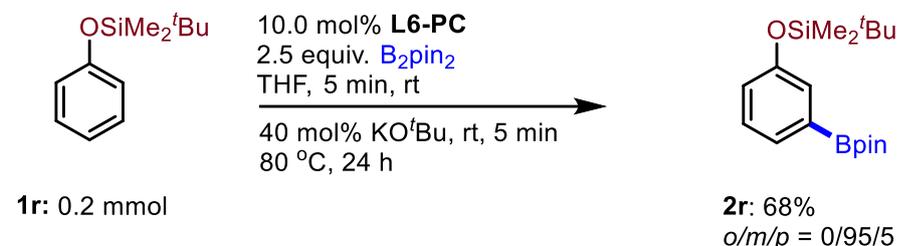
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.50 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.07 (ddd, *J* = 8.4, 2.8, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (q, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 1.35 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  156.9, 129.3, 128.9, 123.4 (q,  $J = 276.1$  Hz), 119.6, 118.8, 84.0, 65.8 (q,  $J = 35.4$  Hz), 24.8.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.6.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{19}\text{BF}_3\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  303.1379, found 303.1363.

*meta*-Borylation of *tert*-butyldimethyl(phenoxy)silane (**1r**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (127 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *tert*-butyldimethyl(phenoxy)silane (**1r**: 0.2 mmol, 41.2 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 45.5 mg (68%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2r**) as gummy liquid.

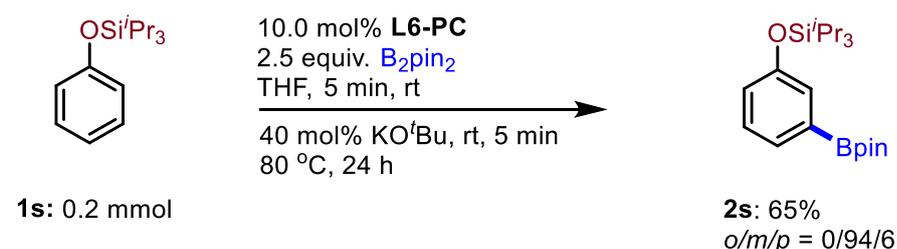
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.42 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.29 (s, 1H), 7.25 (t,  $J = 8.0$ , 1H), 6.95 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 1.35 (s, 12H), 1.01 (s, 9H), 0.22 (s, 6H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  155.1, 128.8, 127.7, 126.1, 122.8, 83.7, 25.7, 24.8, 18.1, -4.4.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.9.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{32}\text{BO}_3\text{Si}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  335.2214, found 335.2221.

*meta*-Borylation of *triisopropyl*(phenoxy)silane (**2s**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (127 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, triisopropyl(phenoxy)silane (**1s**: 0.2 mmol, 50.1 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 48.9 mg (65%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2s**) as gummy liquid.

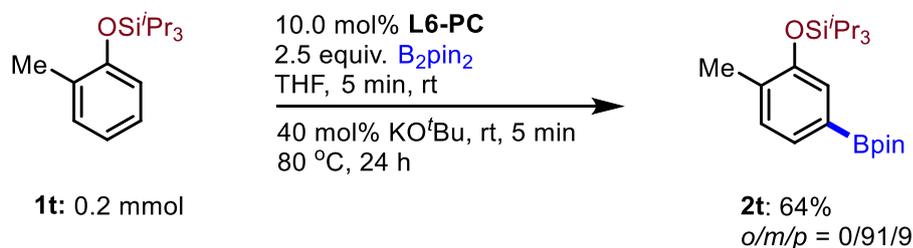
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.38 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.99 – 6.94 (m, 1H), 1.34 (s, 12H), 1.31 – 1.27 (m, 3H), 1.11 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 18H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 155.5, 128.7, 127.3, 125.9, 122.4, 83.7, 24.8, 17.9, 12.7.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 30.9.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>38</sub>BO<sub>3</sub>Si [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 377.2683, found 377.2677.

*meta*-Borylation of triisopropyl(*o*-tolylloxy)silane (**2t**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (127 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, triisopropyl(*o*-tolylloxy)silane (**1t**: 0.2 mmol, 52.9 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 50.0 mg (64%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2t**) as gummy liquid.

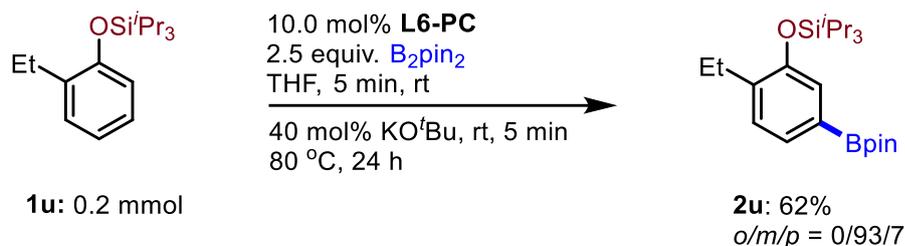
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.28 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 7.12 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 1.34 – 1.30 (m, 15H), 1.12 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 18H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  153.8, 132.0, 130.4, 127.2, 123.8, 83.5, 24.8, 18.1, 17.3, 13.0.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.9.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{40}\text{BO}_3\text{Si}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  391.2840, found 391.2852.

*meta*-Borylation of (2-ethylphenoxy)triisopropylsilane (**1u**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (127 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, (2-ethylphenoxy)triisopropylsilane (**1u**: 0.2 mmol, 55.7 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 50.6 mg (62%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2u**) as gummy liquid.

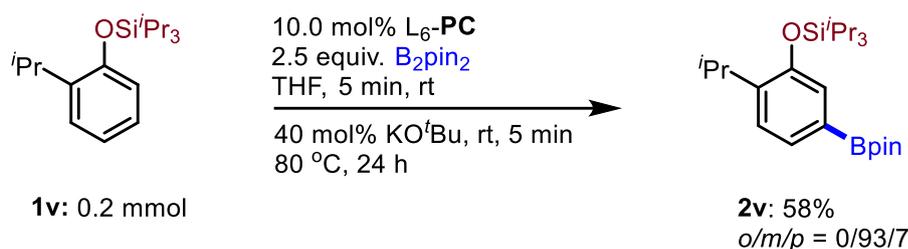
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.32 (dd,  $J = 7.2, 0.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.20 (s, 1H), 7.15 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 2.67 (q,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 1.34 – 1.30 (m, 15H), 1.20 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 3H), 1.13 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 18H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  153.5, 137.9, 128.9, 127.4, 123.9, 83.6, 25.0, 24.1, 18.3, 14.3, 13.2.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  31.0.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{42}\text{BO}_3\text{Si}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  405.2996, found 405.2988.

*meta*-Borylation of triisopropyl(2-isopropylphenoxy)silane (**2v**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with L<sub>6</sub>-PC (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (127 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, triisopropyl(2-isopropylphenoxy)silane (**1v**: 0.2 mmol, 58.5 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 48.5 mg (58%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2v**) as gummy liquid.

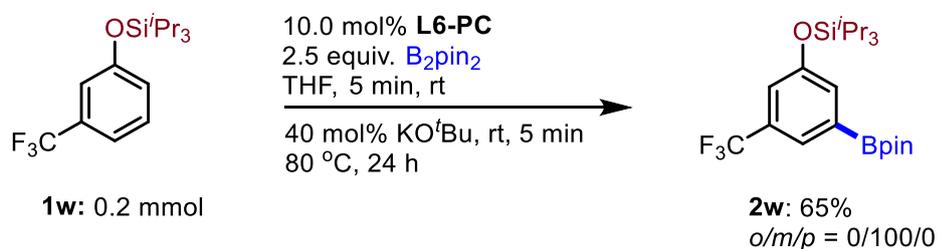
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.35 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.21 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 3.43 – 3.36 (m, 1H), 1.34 – 1.31 (m, 15H), 1.20 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 6H), 1.13 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 18H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 145.1, 144.1, 128.6, 125.2, 114.8, 83.1, 50.1, 25.0, 24.8, 18.0, 13.2.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 31.7.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>44</sub>BO<sub>3</sub>Si [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 419.3153, found 419.3161.

*meta*-Borylation of triisopropyl(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy)silane (**2w**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with L<sub>6</sub>-PC (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (127 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally

stirring for another 5 minutes, triisopropyl(3-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy)silane (**1w**: 0.2 mmol, 63.7 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 57.8 mg (65%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2w**) as gummy liquid.

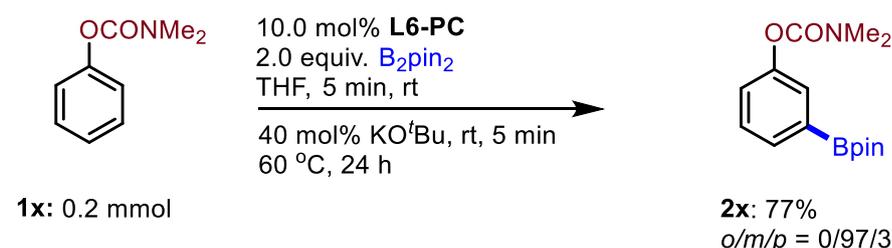
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 1.35 (s, 12H), 1.30 – 1.26 (m, 3H), 1.11 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 18H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 156.0, 131.4 (d, *J* = 31.8 Hz), 129.4, 125.5, 123.9 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 122.8, 119.0 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz), 84.4, 25.0, 18.0, 12.8.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 30.5.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>37</sub>BF<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Si [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 445.2557, found 445.2571.

*meta*-Borylation of phenyl dimethylcarbamate (**2x**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with L6-PC (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, phenyl dimethylcarbamate (**1x**: 0.2 mmol, 33.0 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (10% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 44.8 mg (77%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2x**) as gummy liquid.

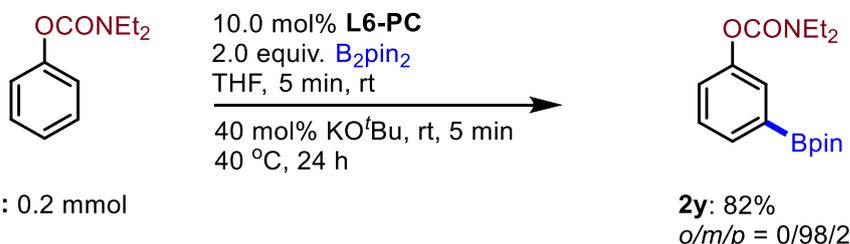
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.62 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (ddd, *J* = 7.6, 2.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.07 (s, 3H), 2.99 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 12H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.9, 151.0, 131.4, 128.7, 127.6, 124.7, 83.8, 36.6, 36.3, 24.8.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.7.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{23}\text{BNO}_4$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  292.1720, found 292.1711.

*meta*-Borylation of phenyl diethylcarbamate (**1y**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, phenyl diethylcarbamate (**1y**: 0.2 mmol, 38.6 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 40 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (5% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 52.4 mg (82%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2y**) as gummy liquid.

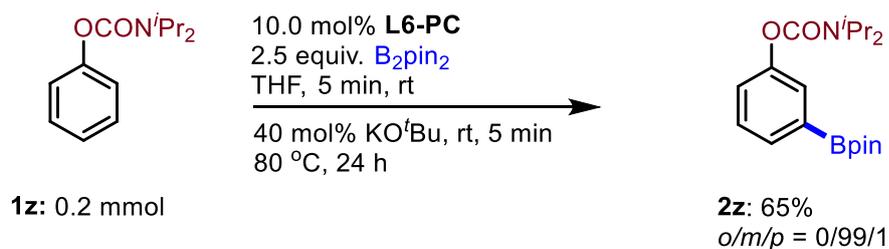
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.62 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d,  $J = 2.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.22 (ddd,  $J = 7.6, 2.4, 0.8$  Hz, 1H), 3.43 – 3.37 (m, 4H), 1.33 (s, 12H), 1.26 – 1.18 (m, 6H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  154.3, 151.1, 131.4, 128.7, 127.6, 124.8, 83.9, 42.2, 41.8, 24.8, 14.2, 13.4.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.9.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{27}\text{BNO}_4$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  320.2033, found 320.2049.

*meta*-Borylation of phenyl diisopropylcarbamate (**1z**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $B_2pin_2$  (127 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $B_2pin_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, phenyl diisopropylcarbamate (**1z**: 0.2 mmol, 44.3 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu$ L of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (5% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 45.1 mg (65%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2z**) as gummy liquid.

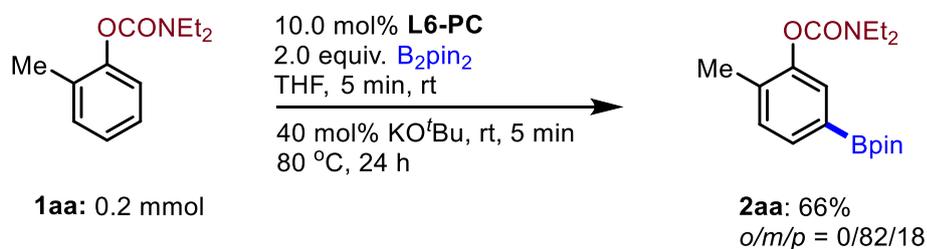
$^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.62 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.52 (d,  $J = 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.23 – 7.20 (m, 1H), 4.08 – 4.0 (m, 2H), 1.33 (brs, 24H).

$^{13}C$  NMR (100 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  153.9, 150.9, 131.4, 128.7, 127.7, 125.0, 83.9, 46.8, 46.0, 25.0, 24.8, 24.5, 21.5, 20.5.

$^{11}B$  NMR (128 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.9.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $C_{19}H_{31}BNO_4$   $[M+H]^+$  348.2346, found 348.2333.

*meta*-Borylation of *o*-tolyl diethylcarbamate (**2aa**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $B_2pin_2$  (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $B_2pin_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *o*-tolyl diethylcarbamate (**1aa**: 0.2 mmol, 41.5 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu$ L of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with

silica gel (5% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 44.0 mg (66%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2aa**) as gummy liquid.

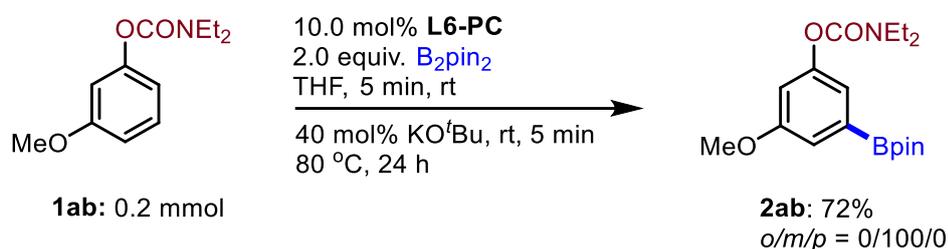
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.53 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.47 (s, 1H), 7.21 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.47 – 3.36 (m, 4H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 12H), 1.26 (brs, 6H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  153.9, 149.6, 134.1, 131.8, 130.5, 128.2, 42.1, 41.8, 24.8, 16.5, 14.2, 13.4.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.5.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{29}\text{BNO}_4$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  334.2190, found 334.2179.

*meta*-Borylation of 3-methoxyphenyl diethylcarbamate (**2ab**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with L6-PC (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, 3-methoxyphenyl diethylcarbamate (**1ab**: 0.2 mmol, 44.7 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (5% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 50.3 mg (72%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2ab**) as gummy liquid.

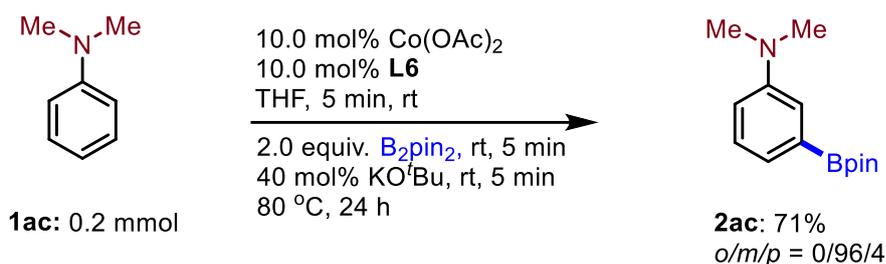
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.15 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 1.6$  Hz, 2H), 6.79 (t,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.39 (q,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 4H), 1.32 (s, 12H), 1.23 – 1.17 (m, 6H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  159.9, 154.2, 152.0, 120.0, 116.2, 111.5, 83.9, 55.5, 42.1, 41.8, 24.8, 14.2, 13.3.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.8.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{29}\text{BNO}_5$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  350.2139, found 350.2151.

*meta*-Borylation of *N,N*-dimethylaniline (**2ac**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with Co(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (3.6 mg, 10.0 mol%), ligand **L6** (7.2 mg, 10.0 mol%) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Then B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) was added to it and stirred for another 5 minutes. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the *in situ* generated catalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes *N,N*-dimethylaniline (**1ac**: 0.2 mmol, 24.2 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversions and selectivities were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 35.1 mg (71%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2ac**) as gummy oil.

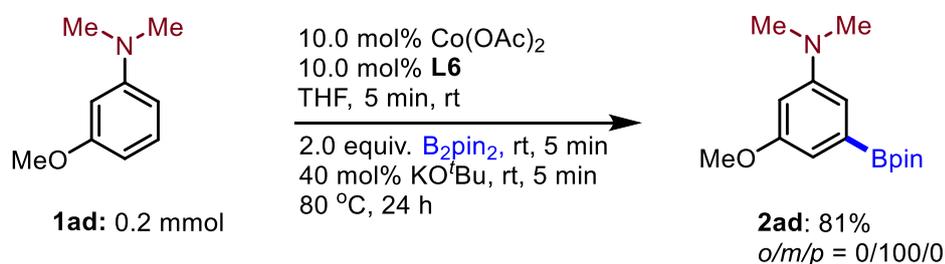
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (800 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.26 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.20 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 6.87 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (s, 6H), 1.34 (s, 12H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 150.1, 128.5, 123.2, 118.6, 115.8, 83.6, 40.8, 24.8.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 30.8.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>23</sub>BNO<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 248.1822, found 248.1819.

*meta*-Borylation of 3-methoxy-*N,N*-dimethylaniline (**2ad**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with Co(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (3.6 mg, 10.0 mol%), ligand **L6** (7.2 mg, 10.0 mol%) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Then B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) was added to it and stirred for another 5 minutes. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the *in situ*

generated catalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes 3-methoxy-*N,N*-dimethylaniline (**1ad**: 0.2 mmol, 30.2 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversions and selectivities were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 44.9 mg (81%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2ad**) as gummy oil.

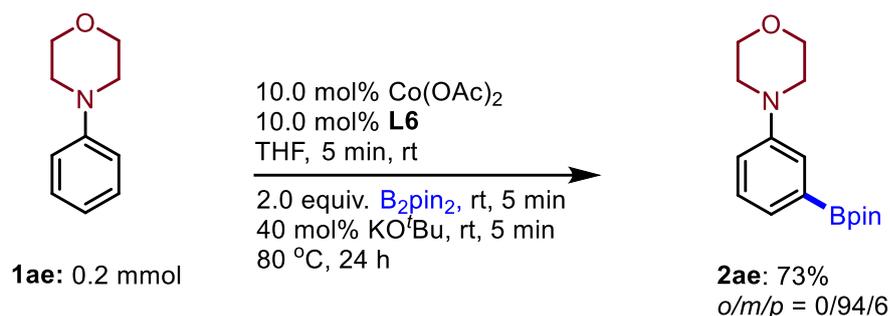
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 6.85 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.39 (t, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.95 (s, 6H), 1.34 (s, 12H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 160.1, 151.6, 112.2, 106.3, 102.8, 83.6, 55.2, 40.6, 24.8.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 30.8.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>25</sub>BNO<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 278.1927, found 278.1937.

*meta*-Borylation of 4-phenylmorpholine (**2ae**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with Co(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (3.6 mg, 10.0 mol%), ligand **L6** (7.2 mg, 10.0 mol%) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Then B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) was added to it and stirred for another 5 minutes. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the *in situ* generated catalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes 4-phenylmorpholine (**1ae**: 0.2 mmol, 32.6 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversions and selectivities were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (5% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 42.2 mg (73%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2ae**) as gummy oil.

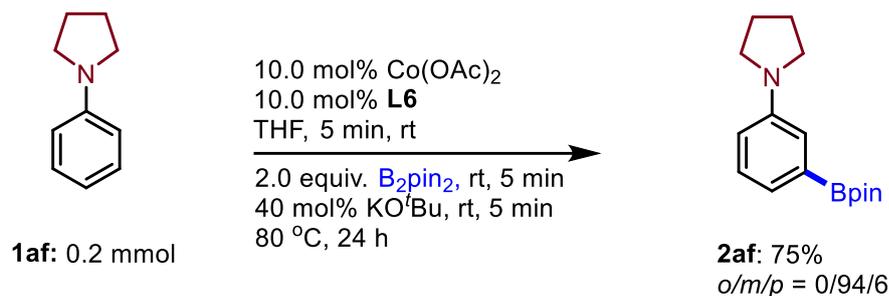
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.38 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.29 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.02 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 3.86 (t,  $J = 4.8$  Hz, 4H), 3.19 (t,  $J = 4.8$  Hz, 4H), 1.34 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  150.6, 128.6, 126.5, 121.8, 118.7, 83.7, 66.9, 49.4, 24.8.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.9.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{25}\text{BNO}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  290.1927, found 290.1933.

*meta*-Borylation of 1-phenylpyrrolidine (**2af**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with  $\text{Co}(\text{OAc})_2$  (3.6 mg, 10.0 mol%), ligand **L6** (7.2 mg, 10.0 mol%) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Then  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) was added to it and stirred for another 5 minutes. Addition of  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  to the *in situ* generated catalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes 1-phenylpyrrolidine (**1af**: 0.2 mmol, 29.4 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversions and selectivities were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (5% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 40.9 mg (75%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2af**) as gummy oil.

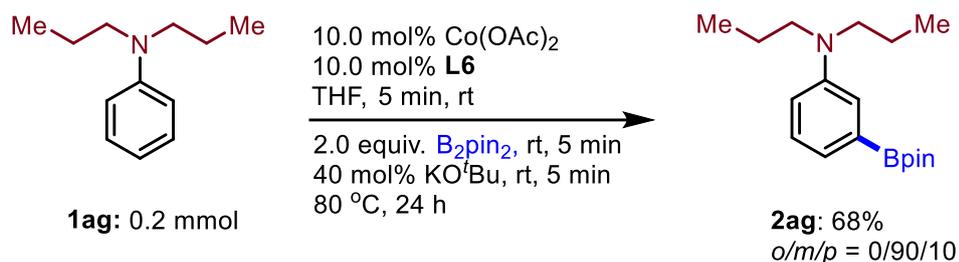
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.27 (t,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 6.71 – 6.68 (m, 1H), 3.34 (t,  $J = 6.4$  Hz, 4H), 2.03 – 1.99 (m, 4H), 1.37 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  147.4, 128.5, 121.8, 117.6, 114.6, 83.5, 47.6, 25.4, 24.8.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  31.2.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{25}\text{BNO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  274.1978, found 274.1989.

*meta*-Borylation of *N,N*-dipropylaniline (**1ag**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with Co(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (3.6 mg, 10.0 mol%), ligand **L6** (7.2 mg, 10.0 mol%) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Then B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) was added to it and stirred for another 5 minutes. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the *in situ* generated catalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes *N,N*-dipropylaniline (**1ag**: 0.2 mmol, 35.5 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversions and selectivities were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 41.2 mg (68%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2ag**) as gummy oil.

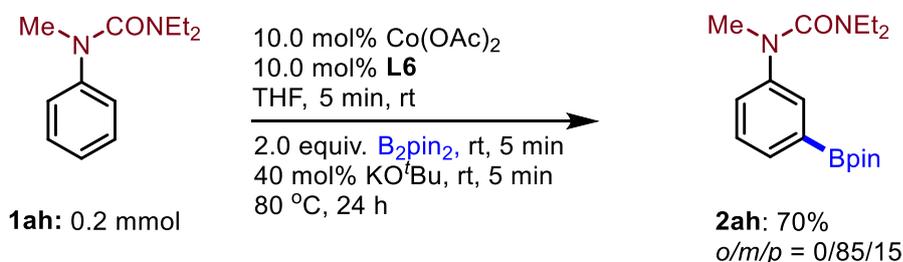
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.21 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.11 – 7.08 (m, 2H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 1.61 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 1.34 (s, 12H), 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 147.8, 128.5, 121.8, 118.0, 115.0, 83.5, 52.7, 24.8, 20.4, 11.5.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 31.2.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>31</sub>BNO<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 304.2448, found 304.2433.

*meta*-Borylation of 1,1-diethyl-3-methyl-3-phenylurea (**1ah**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with Co(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (3.6 mg, 10.0 mol%), ligand **L6** (7.2 mg, 10.0 mol%) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Then B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (101.6 mg, 2.0

equiv.) was added to it and stirred for another 5 minutes. Addition of  $B_2pin_2$  to the *in situ* generated catalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $KO^tBu$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes 1,1-diethyl-3-methyl-3-phenylurea (**1ah**: 0.2 mmol, 41.3 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu$ L of aliquot was withdrawn and conversions and selectivities were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (5% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 46.5 mg (70%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2ah**) as gummy oil.

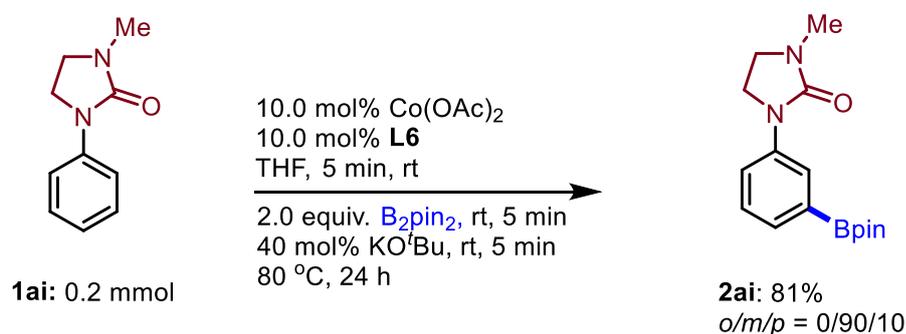
$^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.53 – 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.29 (t,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (dd,  $J$  = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 3.16 (s, 3H), 3.09 (q,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 1.33 (s, 12H), 0.91 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 6H).

$^{13}C$  NMR (100 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  161.8, 146.8, 130.7, 130.0, 128.7, 126.7, 83.9, 41.9, 39.8, 24.8, 12.7.

$^{11}B$  NMR (128 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.8.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $C_{18}H_{30}BN_2O_3$   $[M+H]^+$  333.2349, found 333.2361.

*meta*-Borylation of 1-methyl-3-phenylimidazolidin-2-one (**2ai**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with  $Co(OAc)_2$  (3.6 mg, 10.0 mol%), ligand **L6** (7.2 mg, 10.0 mol%) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Then  $B_2pin_2$  (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) was added to it and stirred for another 5 minutes. Addition of  $B_2pin_2$  to the *in situ* generated catalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $KO^tBu$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes 1-methyl-3-phenylimidazolidin-2-one (**1ai**: 0.2 mmol, 35.2 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu$ L of aliquot was withdrawn and conversions and selectivities ( $o/m/p = 0/90/10$ ) were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel ( $CHCl_3$  with 2%  $NEt_3$  as eluent) gave

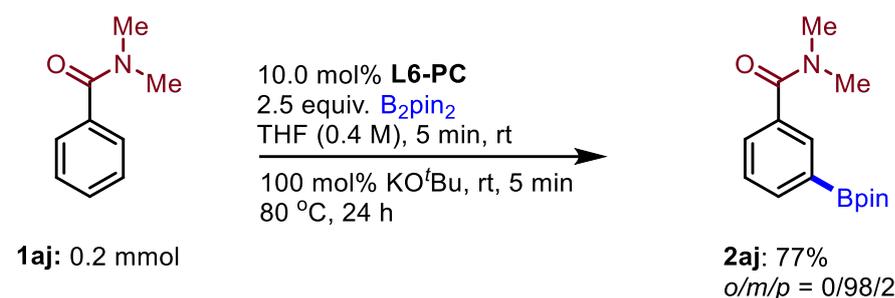
49.0 mg (81%) of the mixture of *meta* and *para* borylated product (*m/p* = 80/20) (**2ai**) as gummy oil.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.95 – 7.93 (m, 1H), 7.75 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d,  $J$  = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (t,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.85 – 3.81 (m, 2H), 3.45 – 3.41 (m, 2H), 2.86 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 12H).

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  31.0.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{24}\text{BN}_2\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  303.1880, found 303.1871.

*meta*-Borylation of *N,N*-dibutylbenzamide (**2aj**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (127 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (0.5 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  (22.4 mg, 100.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *N,N*-dibutylbenzamide (**1aj**: 0.2 mmol, 28.4 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (30% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 41.3 mg (77%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2aj**) as gummy liquid.

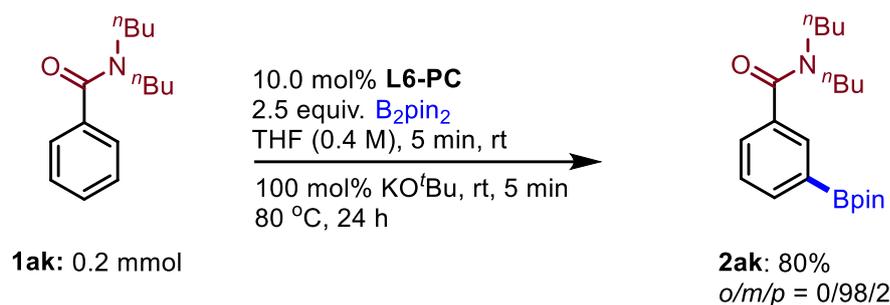
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.81 – 7.80 (m, 2H), 7.48 (td,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz,  $J$  = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (s, 3H), 2.95 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  171.6, 135.7, 135.6, 133.0, 129.6, 127.7, 83.9, 39.5, 35.2, 24.8.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.4.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{23}\text{BNO}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  276.1771, found 276.1769.

*meta*-Borylation of *N*-isopropyl-*N*-methylbenzamide (**2ak**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $B_2pin_2$  (127 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (0.5 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $B_2pin_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $KO^tBu$  (22.4 mg, 100.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *N*-isopropyl-*N*-methylbenzamide (**1ak**: 0.2 mmol, 46.7 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu$ L of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (30% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 57.5 mg (80%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2ak**) as gummy liquid.

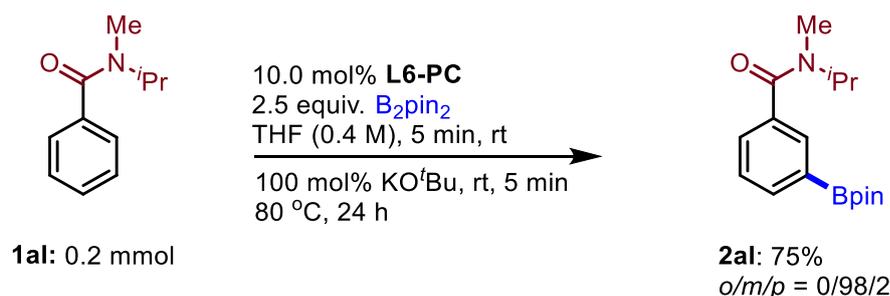
$^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.82 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.43 (m, 1H), 7.40 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 3.47 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.16 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 2H), 1.67 – 1.60 (m, 2H), 1.54 – 1.47 (m, 2H), 1.42 – 1.39 (m, 2H), 1.34 (s, 12H), 1.18 – 1.08 (m, 2H), 0.97 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H), 0.78 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H).

$^{13}C$  NMR (100 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  171.5, 136.7, 135.3, 132.5, 129.2, 127.7, 83.9, 48.8, 44.5, 30.9, 29.7, 24.8, 20.4, 19.7, 14.0, 13.6.

$^{11}B$  NMR (128 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.1.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $C_{21}H_{35}BNO_3$   $[M+H]^+$  360.2710, found 360.2729.

*meta*-Borylation of *N,N*-dimethylbenzamide (**2al**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (127 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (0.5 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (22.4 mg, 100.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *N,N*-dimethylbenzamide (**1a**: 0.2 mmol, 41.5 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (30% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 50.0 mg (75%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2a**) as gummy liquid.

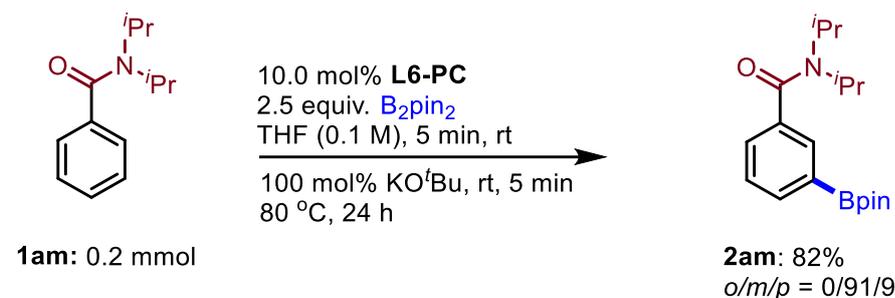
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (800 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.80 – 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.93 (s, 0.44H), 3.92 (s, 0.57H), 2.91 (s, 1.77H), 2.73 (s, 1.28H), 1.31 (s, 12H), 1.19 – 1.17 (m, 3H), 1.12 – 1.11 (m, 3H). (due to rotamer)

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 171.5, 171.1, 136.6, 136.4, 135.4, 135.3, 132.7, 132.4, 129.4, 128.6, 127.6, 83.9, 49.7, 44.3, 30.6, 25.9, 24.8, 20.3, 19.2. (due to rotamer)

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (256 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 30.3.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>27</sub>BNO<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 304.2084, found 304.2091.

*meta*-Borylation of *N,N*-diisopropylbenzamide (**2mj**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (127 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (2.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (22.4 mg, 100.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *N,N*-diisopropylbenzamide (**1am**: 0.2 mmol, 41.1 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by

GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (30% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 54.3 mg (82%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2an**) as gummy liquid.

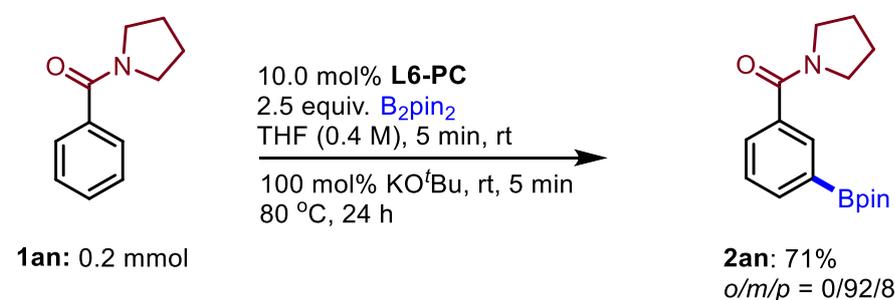
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.81 – 7.78 (m, 1H), 7.77 – 7.76 (m, 1H), 7.38 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 3.77 (br s, 1H), 3.49 (br s, 1H), 1.58 – 1.43 (m, 2H), 1.34 (s, 12H), 1.24 – 1.05 (m, 2H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  170.9, 138.3, 134.8, 131.9, 128.1, 127.6, 83.9, 50.8, 45.8, 24.8, 20.7.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.5.

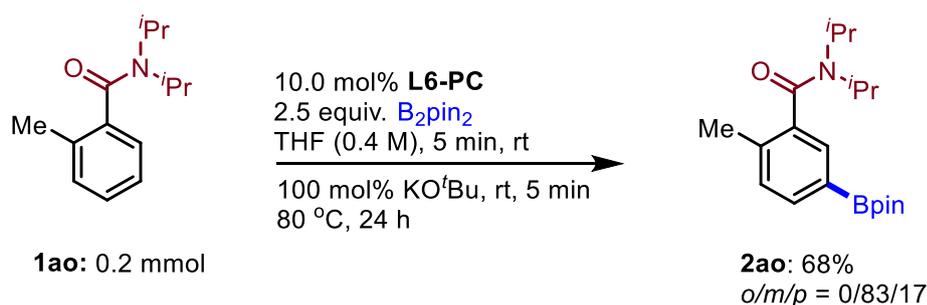
HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{31}\text{BNO}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  332.2397, found 332.2385.

*meta*-Borylation of *phenyl*(*pyrrolidin-1-yl*)methanone (**1an**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (127 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (0.5 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  (22.4 mg, 100.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *phenyl*(*pyrrolidin-1-yl*)methanone (**1an**: 0.2 mmol, 35.0 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (30% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 42.8 mg (71%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2an**) as gummy liquid. Spectral data are in accordance with the previous reported data.<sup>15</sup>

*meta*-Borylation of *N,N*-diisopropyl-2-methylbenzamide (**1ao**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (127 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (0.5 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (22.4 mg, 100.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *N,N*-diisopropyl-2-methylbenzamide (**1ao**: 0.2 mmol, 43.9 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (30% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 47.0 mg (68%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2ao**) as gummy liquid.

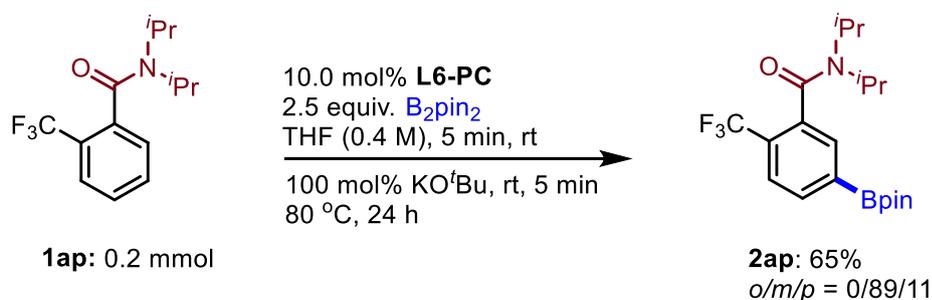
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.64 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (s, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (hept, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.48 (hept, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 1.55 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 2.8 Hz, 6H), 1.30 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 12H), 1.08 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.5, 138.0, 136.8, 134.4, 130.9, 129.6, 83.6, 50.7, 45.6, 24.8, 24.6, 20.8, 20.7, 20.6, 20.5, 18.9.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 30.9.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>33</sub>BNO<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 346.2553, found 346.2531.

*meta*-Borylation of *N,N*-diisopropyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide (**1ap**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (127 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (0.5 mL) sequentially. The reaction

mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (22.4 mg, 100.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *N,N*-diisopropyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)benzamide (**1ap**: 0.2 mmol, 54.7 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (30% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 51.9 mg (65%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2ap**) as gummy liquid.

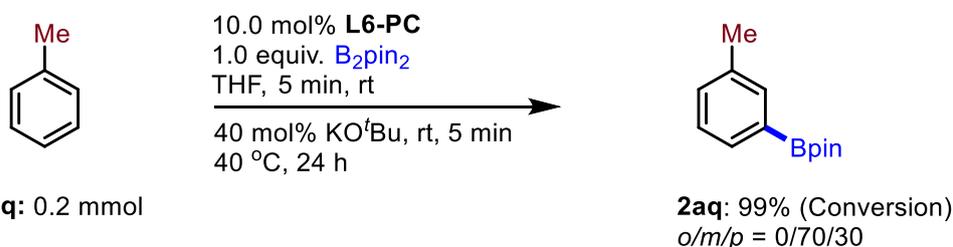
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.87 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.59-3.45 (m, 2H), 1.58 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.52 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.34 (s, 12H), 1.10 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 6H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 167.8, 136.0 (q, J = 2.2 Hz), 134.5, 132.4, 128.2 (q, J = 31.6 Hz), 125.7 (q, J = 4.4 Hz), 123.8 (q, J = 272.6 Hz), 84.4, 51.0, 45.8, 24.9, 24.7, 20.7, 20.5, 19.7, 19.6.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 30.4.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>30</sub>BF<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 400.2271, found 400.2266.

*meta*-Borylation of toluene (**2aq**):



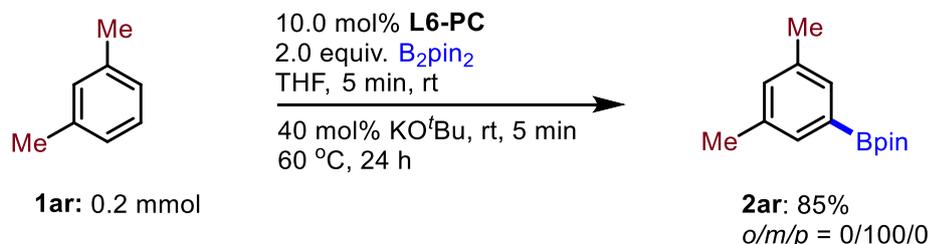
In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with L6-PC (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (50.8 mg, 1.0 equiv.) and dry THF (2.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, toluene (**1aq**: 0.2 mmol, 18.4 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 40 °C for 24 h. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and crude NMR of the reaction mixture was taken. Crude NMR analysis based on <sup>1</sup>H-NMR showed 70% of the *meta*-selective product (**2aq<sub>m</sub>**) with 99% conversion.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.64 (s, 1H), 7.61 (t,  $J = 4.8$  Hz, 2H), 7.28 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 12H).

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  31.1.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{20}\text{BO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  219.1556, found 219.1544.

*meta*-Borylation of *m*-xylene (**2ar**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *m*-xylene (**1ar**: 0.2 mmol, 21.2 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 39.5 mg (85%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2ar**) as gummy liquid.

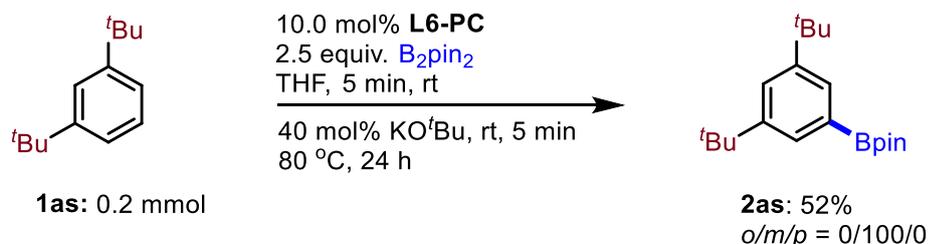
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.45 (s, 2H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 2.33 (s, 6H), 1.35 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  137.1, 133.0, 132.4, 83.7, 24.8, 21.1.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  31.1.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{22}\text{BO}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  233.1713, found 233.1727.

*meta*-Borylation of 1,3-di-*tert*-butylbenzene (**2as**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (127.0 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction

mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, m-xylene (**1as**: 0.2 mmol, 38.1 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 32.9 mg (52%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2as**) as gummy liquid.

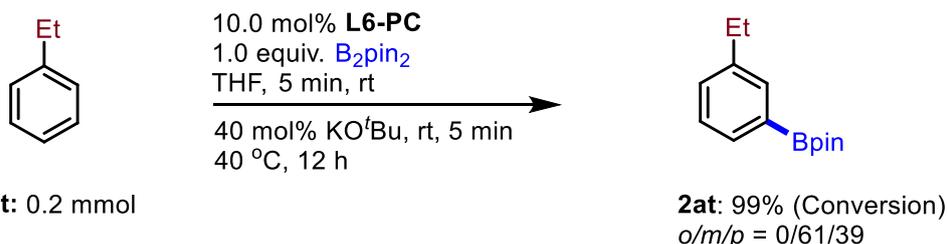
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.70 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 1.37 – 1.36 (m, 21H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 149.8, 128.8, 125.5, 83.5, 34.8, 31.5, 24.9.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 31.2.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>34</sub>BO<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 317.2652, found 317.2641.

*meta*-Borylation of ethylbenzene (**2at**):



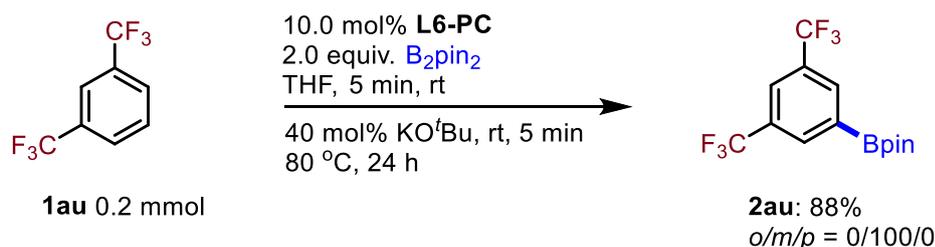
In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with L6-PC (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (50.8 mg, 1.0 equiv.) and dry THF (2.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, ethylbenzene (**1aq**: 0.2 mmol, 21.4 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 40 °C for 24 h. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and crude NMR of the reaction mixture was taken. Crude NMR analysis based on <sup>1</sup>H-NMR showed 61% of the *meta*-selective product (**2at**) with 99% conversion.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.65 – 7.61 (m, 2H), 7.31 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 2.69 – 2.63 (m, 2H), 1.35 (s, 12H), 1.24 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 3H).

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 31.1.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>22</sub>BO<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 233.1713, found 233.1715.

*meta*-Borylation of 1,3-bis(trifluoromethyl)benzene (**2au**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *m*-xylene (**1au**: 0.2 mmol, 29.2 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 47.9 mg (88%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2au**) as gummy liquid.

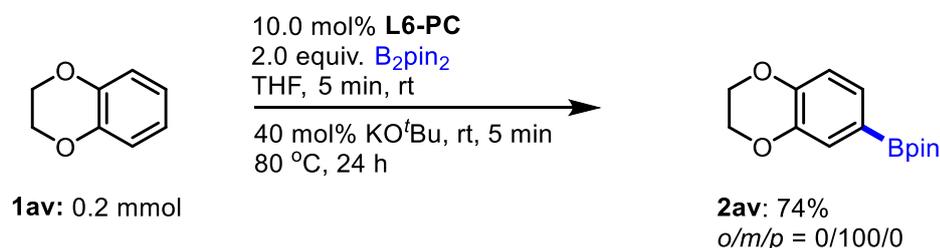
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 8.24 (s, 2H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 1.37 (s, 12H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 134.6 (m), 130.9 (q, *J* = 32.9 Hz), 124.7 (m), 123.5 (q, *J* = 270.8 Hz), 84.8, 24.8.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 30.2.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>16</sub>BF<sub>6</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 341.1148, found 341.1133.

*meta*-Borylation of 2,3-dihydrobenzo[*b*][1,4]dioxine (**2av**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *m*-xylene (**1av**: 0.2 mmol, 27.2 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h,

50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (5% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 38.8 mg (74%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2av**) as gummy liquid.

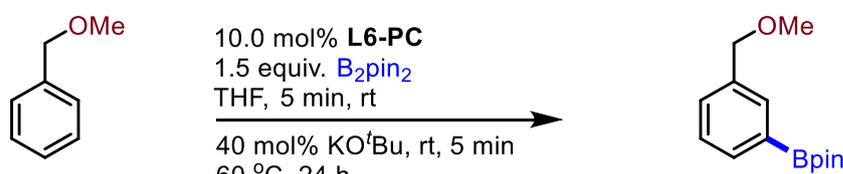
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.32 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 6.85 (d,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.28 – 4.22 (m, 4H), 1.32 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  146.3, 143.2, 128.3, 123.7, 116.8, 83.6, 64.6, 64.1, 24.8.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.7.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{20}\text{BO}_4$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  263.1455, found 263.1449.

*meta*-Borylation of (methoxymethyl)benzene (**1aw**):



**1aw**: 0.2 mmol

**2aw**: 99% (Conversion)  
 $o/m/p$  = 0/57/43

In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with L6-PC (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (76.2 mg, 1.5 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *m*-xylene (**1aw**: 0.2 mmol, 24.4 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 60  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 24 h. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and crude NMR of the reaction mixture was taken. Crude NMR analysis based on  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR showed 57% of the *meta* isomer (**2aw**) with 99% conversion.

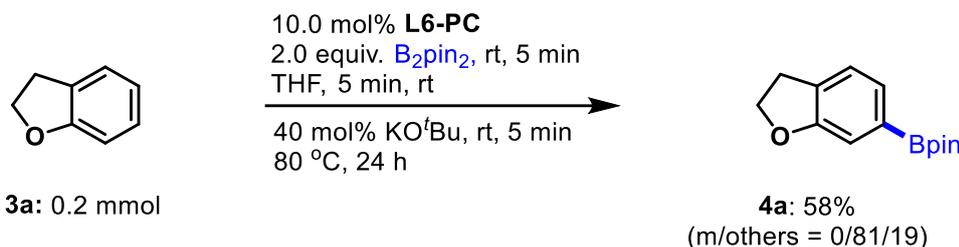
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.77 (s, 1H), 7.74 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t,  $J$  = 7.6, 1H), 4.46 (s, 2H), 3.38 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 12H).

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  31.0.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{22}\text{BO}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  249.1662, found 249.1656.

### Synthetic Application:

*meta*-Borylation of 2,3-dihydrobenzofuran (**4a**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $B_2pin_2$  (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $B_2pin_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $KO^tBu$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *m*-xylene (**3a**: 0.2 mmol, 24.0 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu$ L of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 28.6 mg (58%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**4a**) as gummy liquid.

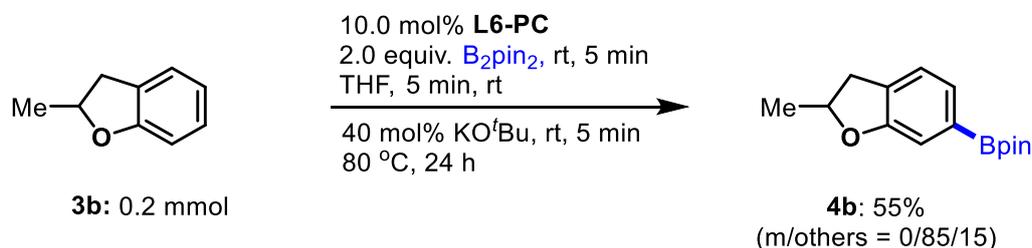
$^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.32 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.20 (t,  $J = 3.6$  Hz, 2H), 4.53 (t,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 2H), 3.20 (t,  $J = 8.4$  Hz, 2H), 1.33 (s, 12H).

$^{13}C$  NMR (100 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  159.7, 130.5, 127.2, 124.4, 114.8, 83.7, 70.7, 29.9, 24.8.

$^{11}B$  NMR (128 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.9.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $C_8H_8O$   $[M+H]^+$  120.0575, found 120.0588.

*meta*-Borylation of 2-methyl-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran (**4b**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $B_2pin_2$  (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $B_2pin_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $KO^tBu$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *m*-xylene (**3b**: 0.2 mmol, 26.8 mg) was added to it. The

microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu$ L of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 28.6 mg (55%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**4b**) as gummy liquid.

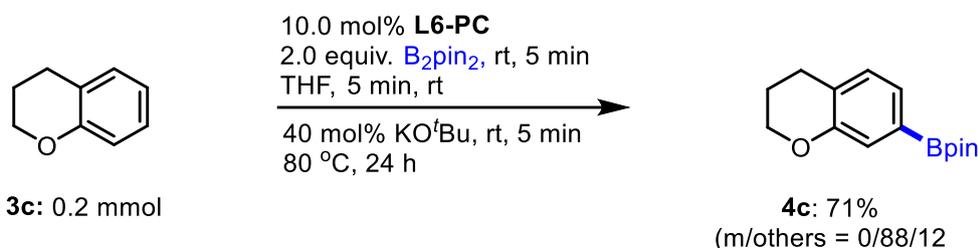
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.30 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 4.93 – 4.87 (m, 1H), 3.35 – 3.28 (m, 1H), 2.83 – 2.78 (m, 1H), 1.44 (d,  $J$  = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 1.33 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  159.2, 130.6, 127.1, 124.5, 114.8, 83.7, 79.1, 37.3, 24.8, 21.8.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.9.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{10}\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  134.0732, found 134.0730.

*meta*-Borylation of chromane (**4c**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *m*-xylene (**3c**: 0.2 mmol, 26.8 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu$ L of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (2% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 36.9 mg (71%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**4c**) as gummy liquid.

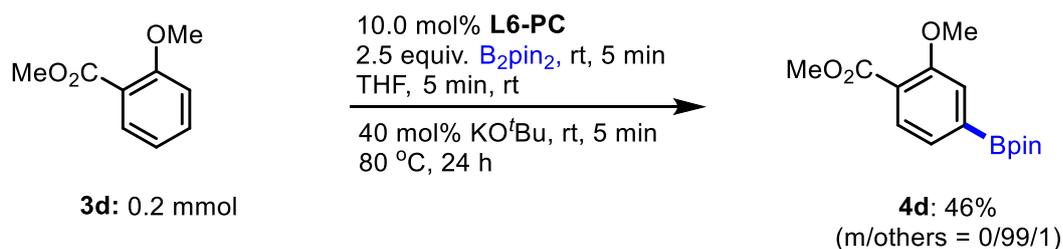
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.26 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.04 (d,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.18 – 4.15 (m, 2H), 2.79 (t,  $J$  = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.00 – 1.98 (m, 2H), 1.32 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  154.6, 129.3, 126.2, 122.9, 116.2, 83.6, 66.4, 25.1, 24.8, 22.3.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  31.0.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{10}\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  134.0732, found 134.0741.

*meta*-Borylation of methyl 2-methoxybenzoate (**3d**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter **KO<sup>t</sup>Bu** (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *m*-xylene (**3d**: 0.2 mmol, 33.2 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (10% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 26.9 mg (46%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**4d**) as gummy liquid.

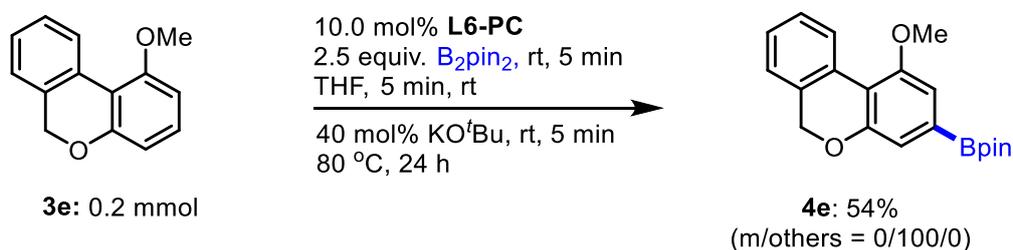
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.75 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 12H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 166.8, 158.2, 130.7, 126.4, 122.3, 117.6, 84.2, 56.0, 52.0, 24.8.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 30.9.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 166.0630, found 166.0623.

*meta*-Borylation of 1-methoxy-6H-benzo[*c*]chromene (**3e**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (127.0 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter **KO<sup>t</sup>Bu** (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *m*-xylene (**3e**: 0.2 mmol, 42.4 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h,

50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (5% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 38.8 mg (54%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**4e**) as gummy liquid.

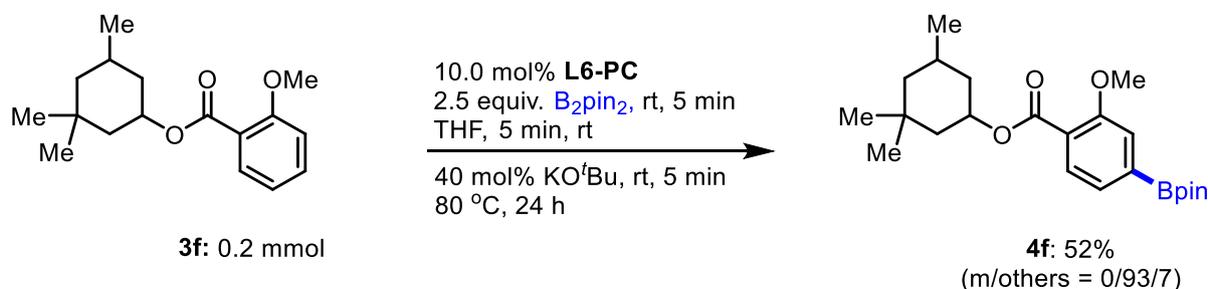
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.38 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.35 (td,  $J = 7.6, 1.2$  Hz, 1H), 7.29 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.18 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 4.98 (s, 2H), 3.99 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 12H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  157.2, 156.2, 132.5, 128.9, 128.0, 127.3, 126.9, 124.3, 116.5, 115.5, 110.4, 83.9, 68.8, 55.8, 24.9.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.7.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  212.0837, found 212.0845.

*meta*-Borylation of 3,3,5-trimethylcyclohexyl 2-methoxybenzoate (**4f**):



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%),  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  (127.0 mg, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of  $\text{B}_2\text{pin}_2$  to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter  $\text{KO}^t\text{Bu}$  (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, *m*-xylene (**3f**: 0.2 mmol, 55.3 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80  $^\circ\text{C}$  for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu\text{L}$  of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (5% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 35.2 mg (52%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**4f**) as gummy liquid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.68 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 2.11 (d,  $J = 12.0$  Hz, 1H), 1.84 – 1.75 (m, 2H), 1.63 (br s, 2H), 1.35 (s, 12H), 1.23 (d,  $J = 3.2$  Hz, 3H), 0.98 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 6H), 0.93 (d,  $J = 6.4$  Hz, 2H).

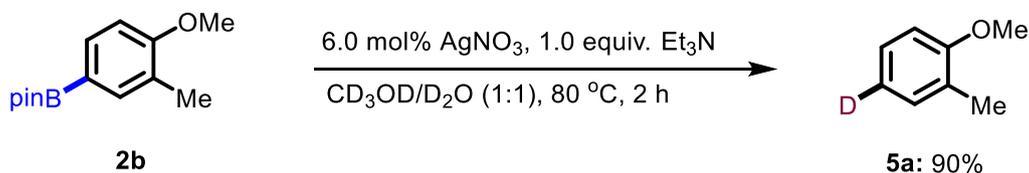
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  165.8, 158.2, 130.3, 126.4, 123.4, 117.7, 84.1, 71.6, 56.1, 47.6, 43.9, 40.4, 33.0, 32.3, 27.2, 25.5, 24.8, 22.3.

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR (128 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  30.7.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  276.1725, found 276.1739.

### Synthetic Transformations:

#### *Meta-Bpin to deuteration:*



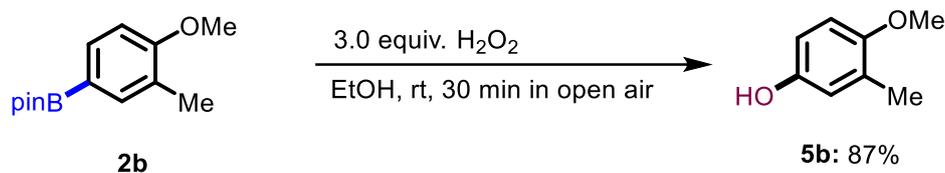
An oven dried 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with 2-(3-methoxy-4-methylphenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (**2b**: 0.2 mmol, 49.6 mg),  $\text{AgNO}_3$  (2.0 mg, 6.0 mol%),  $\text{Et}_3\text{N}$  (20.2 mg, 1.0 equiv.),  $\text{MeOD}$  (0.5 mL)/ $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  (0.5 mL) and stirred at 80 °C for 2 hours under air atmosphere. After cooling down to room temperature, the mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed with saturated brines, dried with  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (3% ethyl acetate in hexane) to give **5a** (22.2 mg, 90%) as colourless liquid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.15 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 1H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  157.7, 130.6, 126.6, 126.5 (t,  $J = 24.1$  Hz), 120.1, 109.8, 55.2, 16.2.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{10}\text{DO}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  124.0873, found 124.0882.

#### *Meta-Bpin to hydroxylation:*



An oven dried 25.0 mL round bottom flask was charged with 2-(3-methoxy-4-methylphenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (**2b**: 0.2 mmol, 49.6 mg) in 2 ml  $\text{EtOH}$ . The flask was placed in an ice bath and to the stirred solution,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}_2$  (30%, 0.6 mmol) was added dropwise for 5 min. The reaction was allowed to stir at room temperature for another 30 min and then quenched with water (5 ml), extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL x 3) and washed with water (10 ml). The combined organic layers were washed with saturated brine solution, dried with

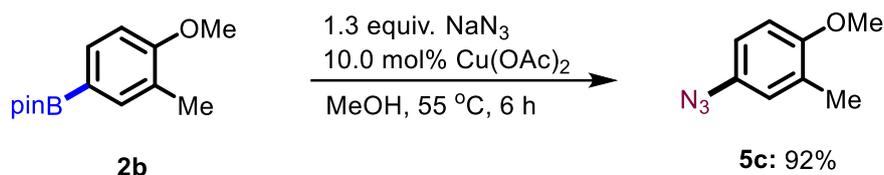
Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (5% ethyl acetate in hexane) to give **5b** (24.0 mg, 90%) as colourless liquid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.37 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.25 (br s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 2.16 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 158.4, 154.6, 130.8, 118.5, 106.5, 98.8, 55.2, 15.3.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>11</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 139.0759, found 139.0747.

#### *Meta-Bpin to azidation:*



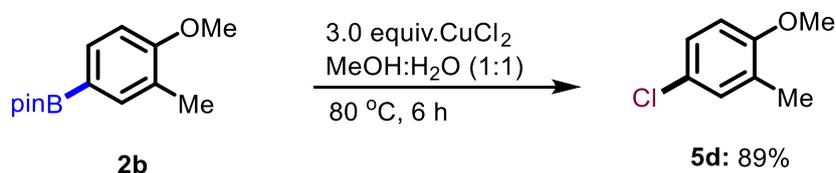
An oven dried 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with 2-(3-methoxy-4-methylphenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (**2b**: 0.2 mmol, 49.6 mg), Cu(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (3.6 mg, 10 mol%), NaN<sub>3</sub> (17.0 mg, 1.3 mmol), MeOH (1.5 mL) were stirred at 55 °C for 6 h under air condition (monitored by TLC). After the completion of the reaction, add 10 ml H<sub>2</sub>O and extracted with EtOAc (10 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed with saturated brine solution, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated by rotary evaporation. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (3% ethyl acetate in hexane) to give **5c** (30.0 mg, 92%) as colourless liquid.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.10 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.20 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 158.6, 138.4, 131.1, 123.4, 110.2, 101.4, 55.3, 15.7.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 164.0824, found 164.0817.

#### *Meta-Bpin to chlorination:*



An oven dried 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with 2-(3-methoxy-4-methylphenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (**2b**: 0.2 mmol, 49.6 mg), CuCl<sub>2</sub> (80.7 mg, 3.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), MeOH (1.5 mL) and water (1.5 mL) and stirred at 80 °C for 6 h. After 6 h, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, diluted with water (5 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL x 3). The combined organic layer was washed with saturated brine solution, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated by rotary evaporation.

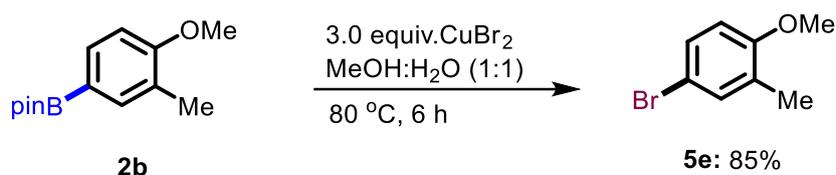
The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (3% ethyl acetate in hexane) to give **5d** (27.9 mg, 89%) as colourless liquid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.04 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 1H), 6.85 (dd,  $J = 8.0, 2.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d,  $J = 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.18 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  158.2, 131.8, 131.1, 125.1, 120.1, 110.6, 55.4, 15.7.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{10}\text{ClO}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  157.0420, found 157.0425.

#### *Meta-Bpin to bromination:*



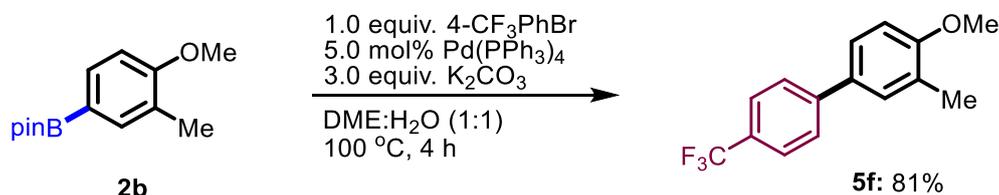
An oven dried 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with 2-(3-methoxy-4-methylphenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (**2b**: 0.2 mmol, 49.6 mg),  $\text{CuBr}_2$  (134.0 mg, 3.0 equiv., 0.6 mmol), MeOH (1.5 mL) and water (1.5 mL) and stirred at 80 °C for 6 h. After 6 h, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, diluted with water (5 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL x 3). The combined organic layer was washed with saturated brine solution, dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , filtered, and concentrated by rotary evaporation. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (3% ethyl acetate in hexane) to give **5e** (34.2 mg, 85%) as colourless liquid.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  6.99 (br s, 2H), 6.95 (s, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.16 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  158.3, 131.5, 125.6, 123.1, 119.5, 113.4, 55.5, 15.8.

HRMS (ESI)  $m/z$  calcd for  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{10}\text{BrO}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  200.9915, found 200.9928.

#### *Meta-Bpin to arylation:*



In an argon filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with 2-(3-methoxy-4-methylphenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (**2b**: 0.2 mmol, 49.6 mg),  $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$  (11.6 mg, 2.5 mol%),  $\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3$  (82.8 mg, 2.0 equiv., 0.4 mmol) and bromobenzene (31.4 mg, 1.0 equiv., 0.2 mmol). The microreactor was taken out from the glove box, DME (1.0 mL) and water (0.5 mL) were added. The microreactor was degassed well and placed in a preheated aluminium block at 100 °C and heated for 4 h. After 4 h, the reaction mixture was cooled to

room temperature, diluted with water (10 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL x 3). The combined organic layer was washed with saturated brine solution, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated by rotary evaporation. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (5% ethyl acetate in hexane) to give **5f** (43.1 mg, 81%) as gummy liquid.

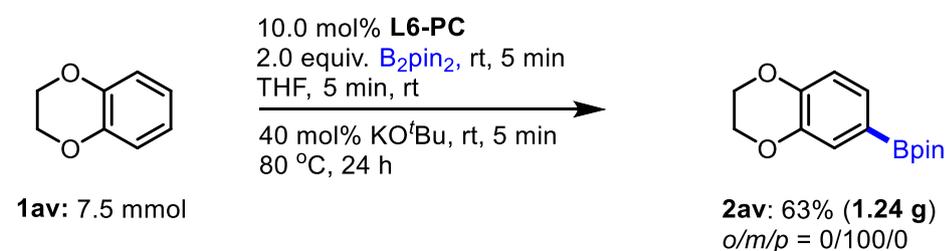
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.68 (s, 4H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 158.1, 145.0, 138.7, 131.1, 129.1 (q, *J* = 32.2 Hz), 127.3, 126.9, 125.6 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 124.3 (q, *J* = 270 Hz), 119.2, 108.9, 55.4, 16.0.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>14</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 267.0997, found 267.0988.

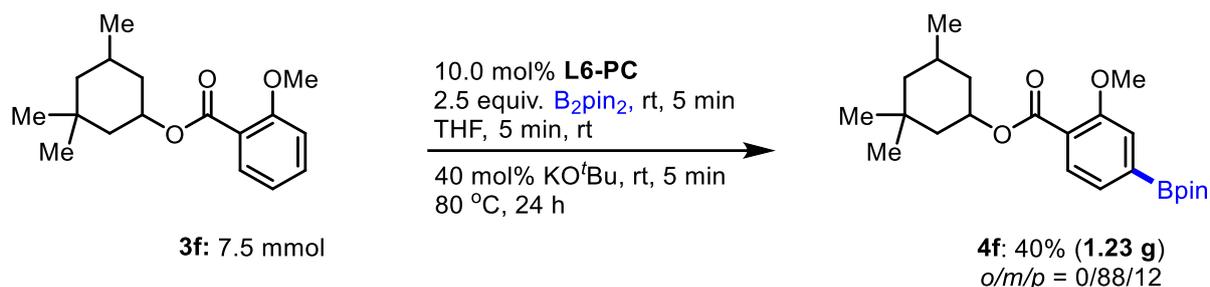
### Gram Scale Synthesis:

Gram scale synthesis of **2av**:



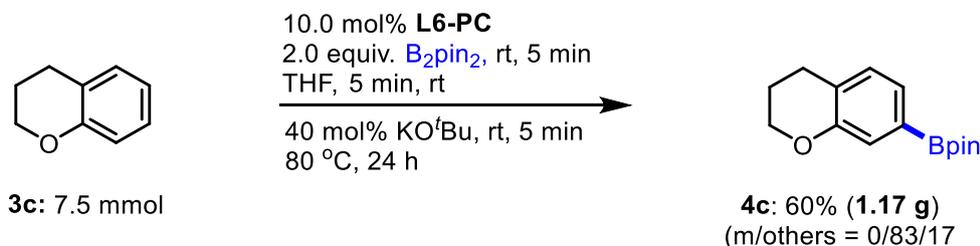
In an argon-filled glove box, a 48 mL pressure tube charged with **L6-PC** (401.2 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (3.81 g, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (20.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (337.5 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, 2,3-dihydrobenzo[b][1,4]dioxine (**1av**: 1.02 g, 7.5 mmol) was added to it. The pressure tube was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (5% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 1.24 g (63%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**2av**) as gummy liquid.

Gram scale synthesis of **4f**:



In an argon-filled glove box, a 48 mL pressure tube charged with **L6-PC** (401.2 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (4.76 g, 2.5 equiv.) and dry THF (20.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter **KO<sup>t</sup>Bu** (337.5 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, 3,3,5-trimethylcyclohexyl 2-methoxybenzoate (**3f**: 2.07 g, 7.5 mmol) was added to it. The pressure tube was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (5% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 1.23 g (40%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**4f**) as gummy liquid.

Gram scale synthesis of **4c**:



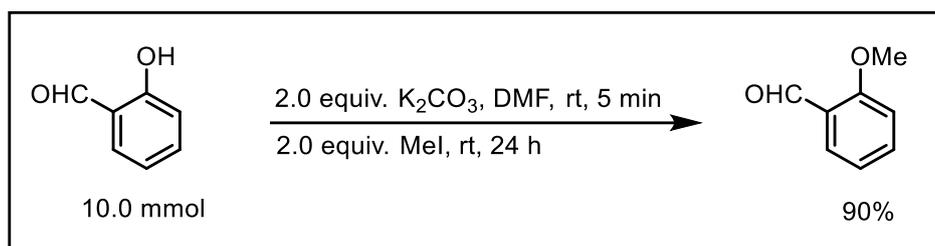
In an argon-filled glove box, a 48 mL pressure tube charged with **L6-PC** (401.2 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (3.81 g, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (20.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter **KO<sup>t</sup>Bu** (337.5 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, chromane (**3c**: 1.0 g, 7.5 mmol) was added to it. The pressure tube was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (5% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 1.17 g (60%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**4c**) as gummy liquid.

## Synthesis of Resorcinol derivative:

### Synthesis of propyltriphenylphosphonium bromide salt

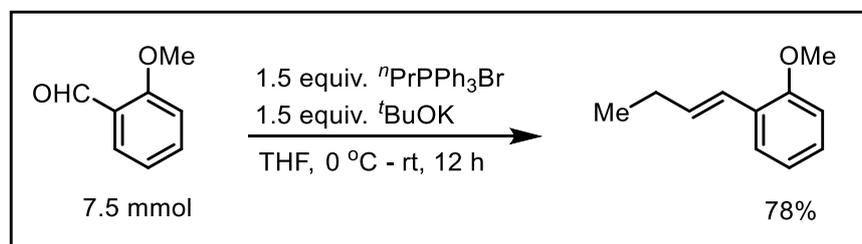
1-bromo-propane (2.46 g, 20.0 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of triphenylphosphine (4.1 g, 16.0 mmol) in anhydrous toluene (5 mL). The mixture was heated at reflux for 22 hours and, once completed, the solid was filtered and washed several times with hexane. The product was dried in the oven at 100 °C for 12 hours to give propyltriphenylphosphonium bromid salt (4.76 g, 12.3 mmol, 77 % yield) as a white solid.

#### Step I:



In a 100 ml round bottom flask, 2-hydroxybenzaldehyde (1.22 g, 10.0 mmol) and  $K_2CO_3$  (2.76 g, 2.0 equiv.) was dissolved in dry DMF (30 ml) under argon atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 min and then iodomethane (1.25 ml, 2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise into it. After the addition, the reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h at room temperature. The reaction progress was monitored by checking TLC and after completion the reaction was quenched with ice-cold water. EtOAc (100 ml) was added to it and the organic layer was separated. The organic layer was washed with ice-cold water (100 ml) for three times followed by final wash with brine (50 ml). After that, the organic layer was dried over  $Na_2SO_4$  and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (5% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 1.22 g (90%) of the 2-methoxybenzaldehyde as oil. Spectral data are in accordance with the reported data.<sup>16</sup>

#### Step II:



To an oven-dried round-bottom flask equipped with a magnetic stirrer was charged with propyltriphenylphosphonium bromid salt (3.85 g, 10 mmol, 1.5 equiv.),  $tBuOK$  (1.12 g, 10 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) and THF (30 ml) under  $N_2$  atmosphere. The resulting mixture was stirred for 1 h at 0 °C. The yellow suspension was formed and 2-methoxybenzaldehyde (1.02 g, 7.5 mmol,

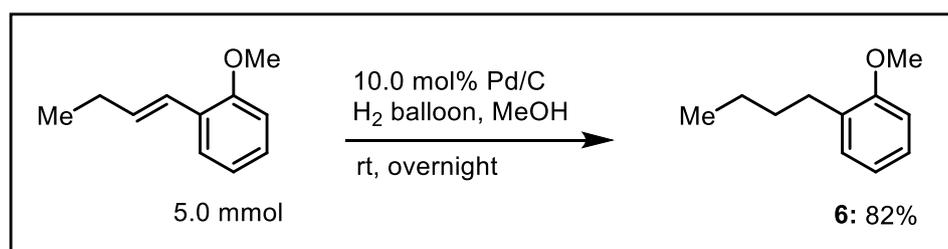
1 equiv.) in anhydrous THF (5 ml) was added slowly into the yellow suspension. Subsequently, the mixture was further stirred at room temperature for overnight. After the completion of the reaction, the resulting mixture was diluted with water (50 mL) and extracted with dichloromethane (3 × 50 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (50 mL) and dried with anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (2% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 949 mg (78%) of the 1-(but-1-en-1-yl)-2-methoxybenzene as light-yellow oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.32 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.00 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 5.82 – 5.76 (m, 2H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 2.38 – 2.31 (m, 2H), 1.12 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 156.9, 134.5, 129.9, 127.9, 126.4, 123.5, 119.9, 110.3, 55.3, 22.0, 14.4.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 163.1123, found 163.1133.

### Step III:



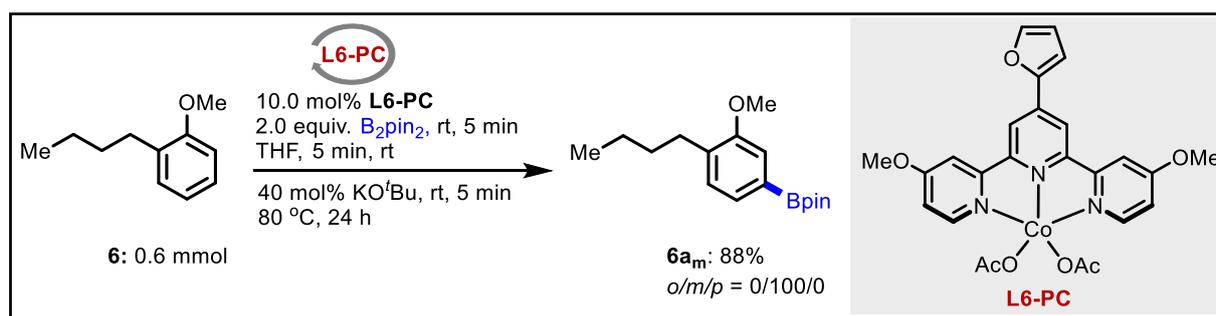
To a solution of 1-(but-1-en-1-yl)-2-methoxybenzene (810 mg, 5.0 mmol) in 15 mL of MeOH was added Pd/C (0.12 g, 10% on carbon). The reaction mixture was stirred under H<sub>2</sub> balloon overnight at room temperature. Then the reaction mixture was filtered through a pad of celite and the solvent was removed in vacuo gave the crude product. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1-2% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 673 mg (82%) of the 1-butyl-2-methoxybenzene (**6**) as colourless oil.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.22 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 6.93 – 6.86 (m, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.67 – 2.63 (m, 2H), 1.64 – 1.56 (m, 2H), 1.45 – 1.36 (m, 2H), 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 157.4, 131.3, 129.7, 126.7, 120.3, 110.2, 55.2, 32.1, 29.8, 22.6, 14.0.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 165.1279, found 165.1272.

## Borylation procedure



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (32.1 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (304.8 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (2.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter **KO<sup>t</sup>Bu** (26.9 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, 1-butyl-2-methoxybenzene (**6**: 0.6 mmol, 98.4 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 80 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard. After completion (judged by GC-MS), THF was removed under reduced pressure and chromatographic separation with silica gel (1% EtOAc in hexane as eluent) gave 153.6 mg (88%) of the *meta*-borylated product (**6a<sub>m</sub>**) as gummy liquid.

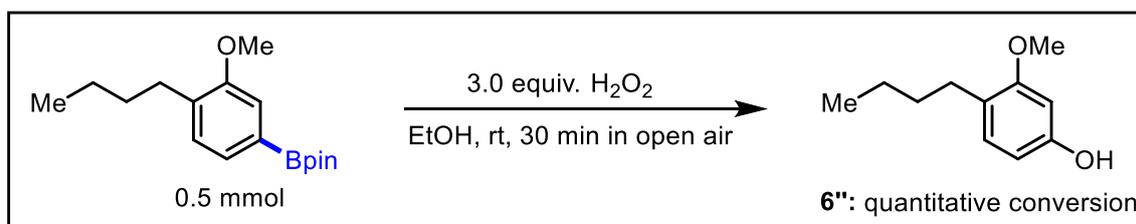
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.36 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 2.65 – 2.61 (m, 2H), 1.58 – 1.54 (m, 2H), 1.40 – 1.34 (m, 15H), 0.92 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 157.0, 135.0, 129.3, 127.2, 115.7, 83.6, 55.4, 31.9, 30.0, 24.8, 22.6, 14.0.

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 30.6.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>28</sub>BO<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 291.2132, found 291.2120.

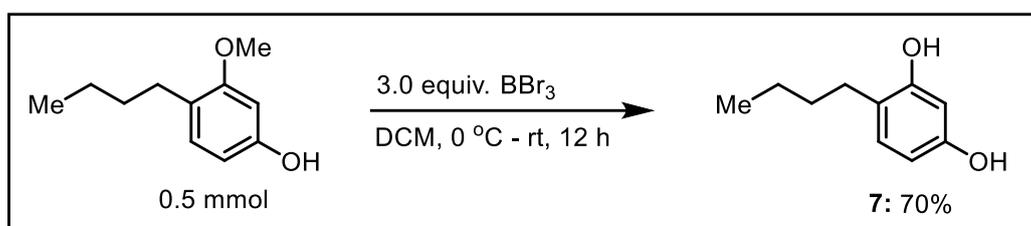
## Hydroxylation procedure



An oven dried 25.0 mL round bottom flask was charged with 2-(4-butyl-3-methoxyphenyl)-4,4,5,5-tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolane (**6'**: 145.1 mg, 0.5 mmol) in 5 ml EtOH. The flask was placed in an ice bath and to the stirred solution, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (30%, 1.5 mmol) was added dropwise

for 5 min. The reaction was allowed to stir at room temperature for another 30 min and then quenched with water (5 ml), extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL x 3) and washed with water (10 ml). The combined organic layers were washed with saturated brine solution, dried with Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, concentrated under vacuum. The crude residue was used for the next step without further purification.

**Deprotection procedure:**



An oven dried 25.0 mL round bottom flask was charged with 4-butyl-3-methoxyphenol (0.5 mmol crude) in 3 ml dry DCM. The flask was cooled to 0 °C and freshly prepared 1.0 M BBr<sub>3</sub> solution in DCM (1.5 ml) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for overnight and then quenched with water (5 ml), extracted with DCM (10 ml x 3) and washed with water (10 ml). The combined organic layers were washed with saturated brine solution, dried with Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, concentrated under vacuum. The crude mass was purified by silica gel column chromatography (20% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent) to afford 58.2 mg (70%) of the 4-butylbenzene-1,3-diol (7) as brown gummy liquid.

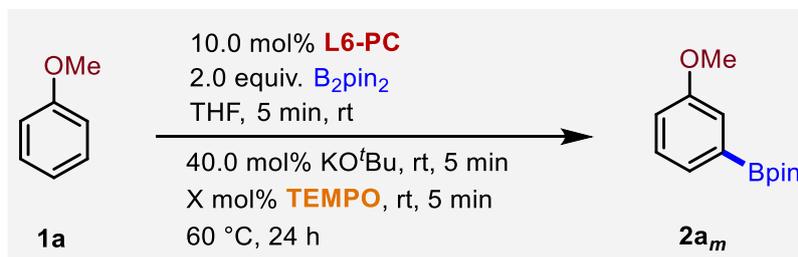
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.37 – 6.33 (m, 2H), 2.49 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.56 – 1.48 (m, 2H), 1.36 – 1.31 (m, 2H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 154.2, 154.1, 130.7, 121.4, 107.6, 103.0, 32.1, 28.9, 22.5, 13.9.

HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 167.1072, found 167.1081.

## Mechanistic Investigations

### TEMPO Quenching Studies:

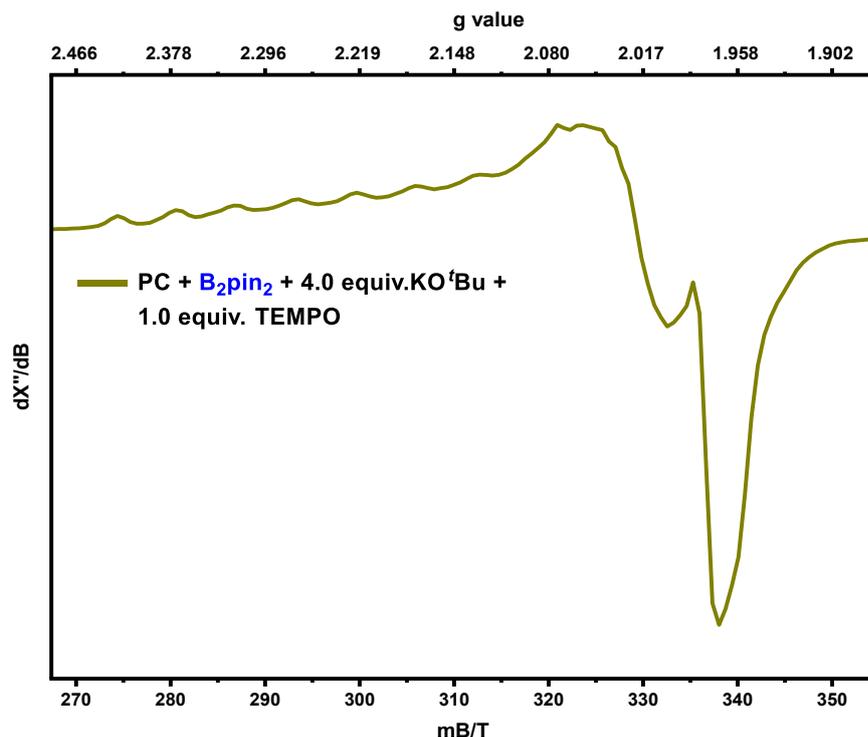


In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (5.4 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (50.8 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter **KO<sup>t</sup>Bu** (4.5 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. After stirring for another 5 min at room temperature (2,2,6,6-Tetramethylpiperidin-1-yl)oxyl (**TEMPO**) was added (X mol%). Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, anisole (**1a**: 0.1 mmol, 10.8 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0  $\mu$ L of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS) using dodecane as internal standard.

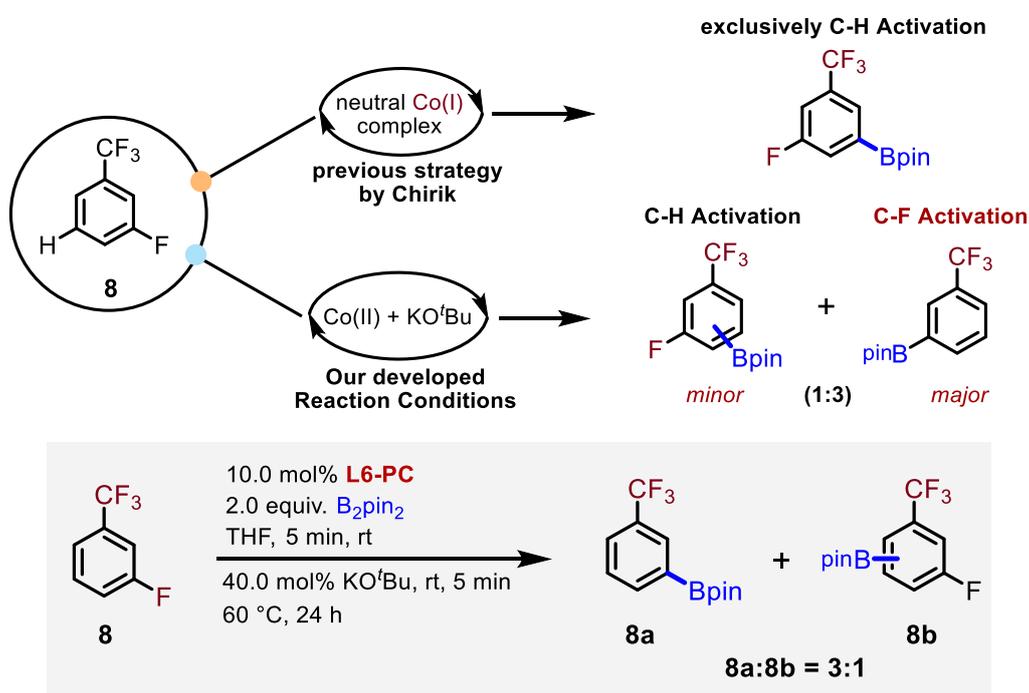
**Table S3:** TEMPO Quenching Study:

Loading of TEMPO (in mol%)	Conversion	meta/others	Loading of TEMPO (in mol%)	Conversion	meta/others
Without TEMPO	91%	93:7	60.0	<1%	-
10.0	28%	91:9	70.0	0%	-
20.0	20%	92:8	80.0	0%	-
30.0	7%	92:8	90.0	0%	-
40.0	5%	92:8	100.0	0%	-
50.0	<5%	92:8	200.0	0%	-

**EPR Studies regarding this:** Corresponding X-band EPR spectrum of this deactivation phenomenon was also recorded at 10 K in THF glass. We first prepared a mixture of precatalyst (**L6-PC**):**B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>**:**KO<sup>t</sup>Bu**:**TEMPO** (1:4:4:1; 0.0279 mmol scale) in 0.3 mL dry THF and stirred it for 1 h under argon atmosphere. The EPR spectrum has been shown in **Figure S5**.



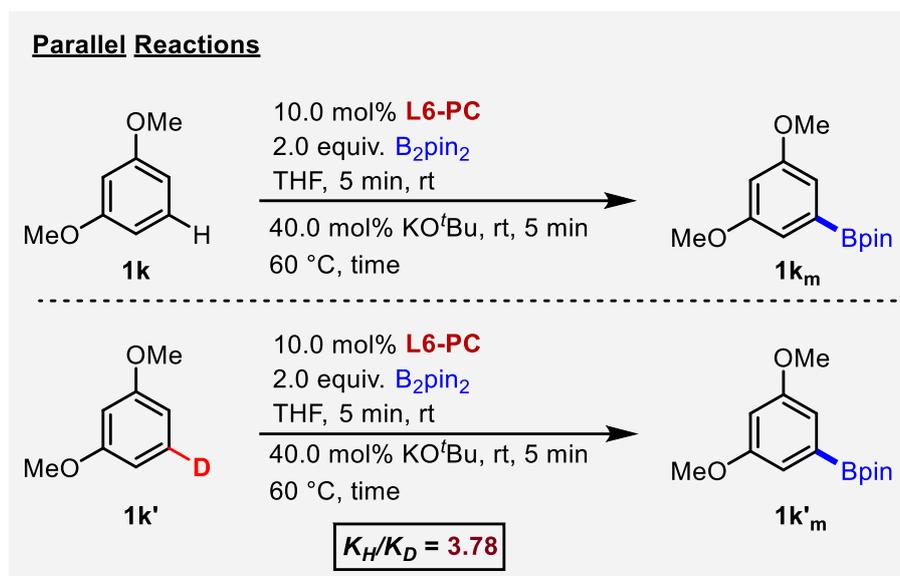
**Figure S5:** X-band EPR spectrum of (L6-PC):B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>:KO<sup>t</sup>Bu:TEMPO (1:4:4:1) in THF at 10 K  
**Competitive Study and concept of Co(I) ate-complex:**



In an argon-filled glove box, a 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactor was charged with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally

stirring for another 5 minutes, 1-fluoro-3-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (**8**: 0.2 mmol, 32.8 mg) was added to it. The microreactor was capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. After 24 h, 50.0 μL of aliquot was withdrawn and conversion and selectivity were checked by gas chromatography (GC/MS). Based on the analysis, major product was defluorinative ipso borylation. Which set this reaction conditions completely different from the previously reported borylation of same substrate by Chirik et al<sup>17</sup>.

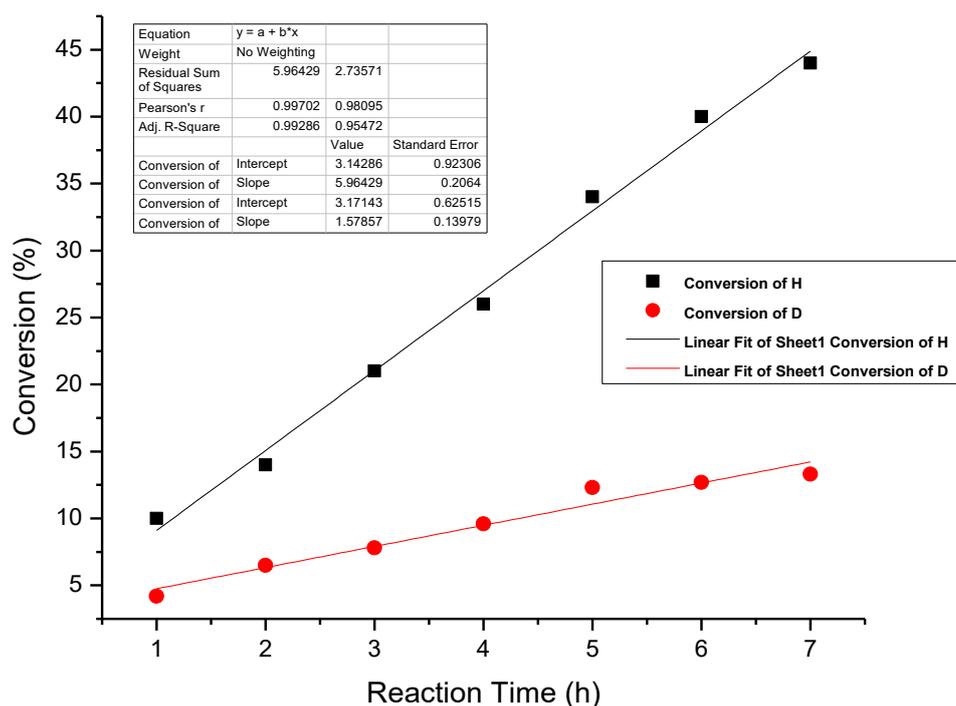
#### Determination of Deuterium Kinetic Isotope Effects:



**Figure S6:** Parallel experiments to assess relative extents of conversion at a common time point in the borylation of **1k** and **1k'**

In an argon-filled glove box, seven 5.0 mL Wheaton microreactors were charged each with **L6-PC** (10.7 mg, 10.0 mol%), **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** (101.6 mg, 2.0 equiv.) and dry THF (1.0 mL) sequentially. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes at room temperature. Addition of **B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>** to the precatalyst produced a dark purple solution. Thereafter **KO<sup>t</sup>Bu** (9.0 mg, 40.0 mol%) was added. Finally stirring for another 5 minutes, 1,3-dimethoxybenzene (**1k**: 0.2 mmol, 27.6 mg) was added to it.

Again, seven separate vials were also prepared with the afore mentioned procedure with the substrate 1,3-dimethoxybenzene-5-*d* (**1k'**: 0.2 mmol, 27.8 mg). The microreactors were capped with a teflon pressure cap and stirred at 60 °C for future measurements. Aliquots of the reaction mixtures were taken and analyzed at different time points (1 to 7 hour). The product conversion was determined by GC-MS using dodecane as an internal standard. The value of  $K_H/K_D$  was found to be 3.78 and it indicates that oxidative addition of C-H bond is the rate determining step.



**Figure S7:** Results of parallel experiments to assess relative extents of conversion at a common time point in the borylation of **1k** and **1k'**

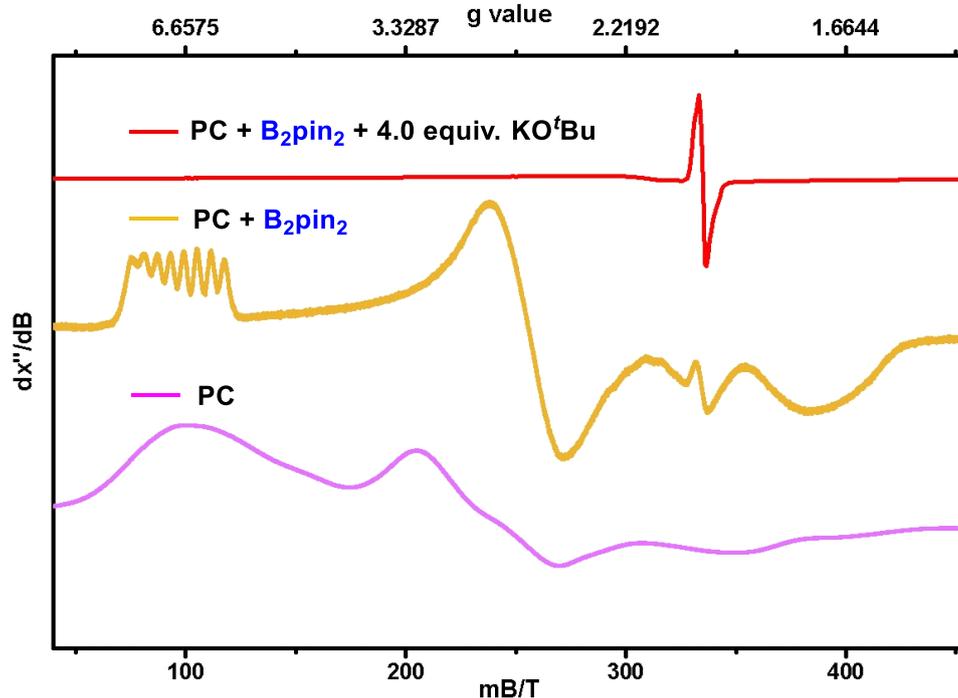
### EPR Analyses:

The X-band EPR measurements of the complexes were performed by dissolving them in THF at 10 K. We observed distinct EPR spectrum for these complexes which corroborated the change in oxidation state of the cobalt in the corresponding species. All these experiments were performed in the BRUKER EMXmicroX.

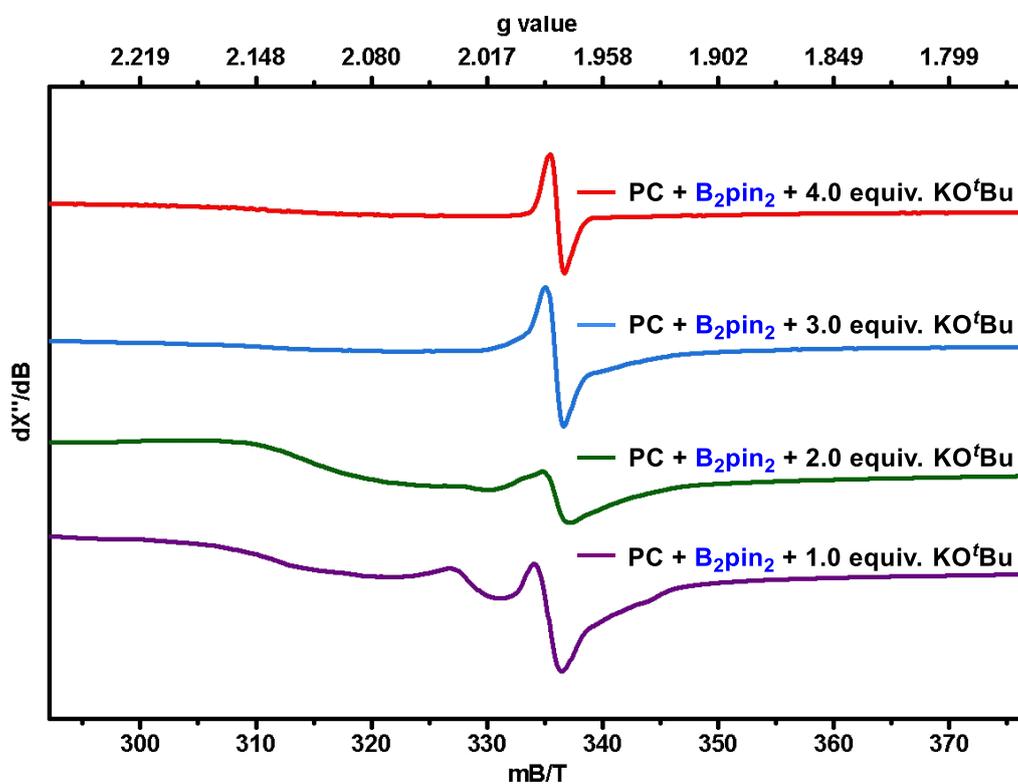
X-band EPR spectrum of precatalyst (**L6-PC**) (15 mg, 0.0279 mmol) was taken after dissolving it in dry THF at 10 K. Next we prepared a mixture of **L6-PC** and  $B_2pin_2$  (1:4; 0.0279 mmol) in 0.3 mL THF and took the EPR measurements at 10 K. Which gave exactly same type of pattern as reported by Chirik et. al.<sup>18</sup>. We prepared a mixture of **L6-PC**: $B_2pin_2$ :KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (1:4:4, 0.0279 mmol) in THF (0.3 mL) under argon atmosphere. Its EPR measurements was taken at 10K. We observed a single-line EPR spectrum at  $g = 1.98$ , characteristic of a square planar Co(I) complex having ligand centered  $s = 1/2$  spin<sup>19</sup>. All these spectra are shown in **Figure S8**.

Next, we carried out a KO<sup>t</sup>Bu titration ranging from 1-4 equivalent. Accordingly, we prepared all these samples in the aforementioned way under argon atmosphere and after 1 hour stirring we took EPR spectrum at 10 K. Their EPR spectrum has been shown below in **Figure S9**. From these data it is quite clear that upon 4 equivalent loading of KO<sup>t</sup>Bu respect to **L6-PC**, a square planar Co(I) complex having ligand centered  $s = 1/2$  spin forms in situ the reaction mixture

which further take part in the C-H oxidative addition with the substrate and continue the catalytic cycle **Figure S10**.



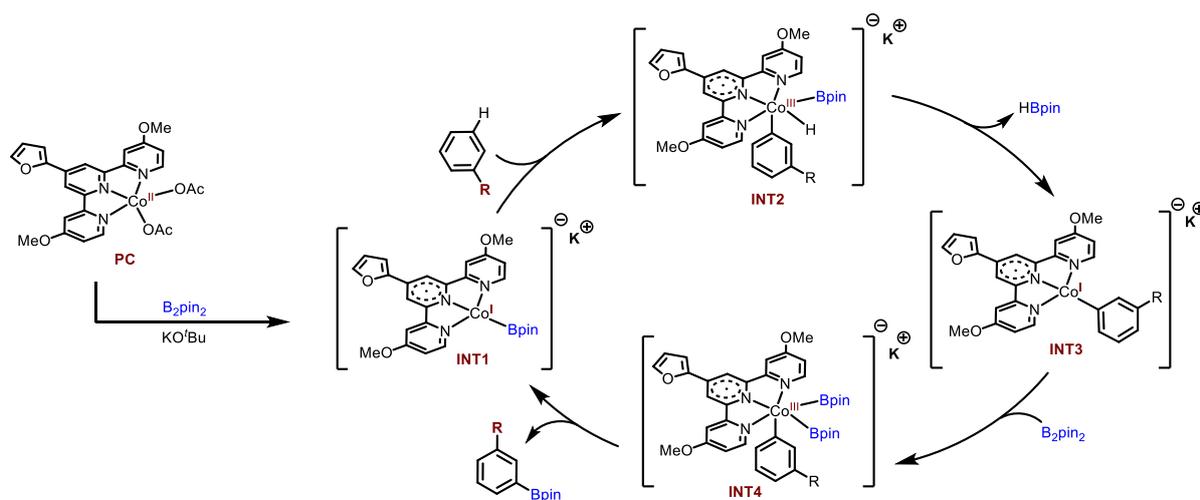
**Figure S8:** Stacked X-band EPR spectrum of L6-PC, L6-PC:B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (1:4), L6-PC:B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>:KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (1:4:4) in THF at 10 K



**Figure S9:** X-band EPR spectrum of L6-PC, B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> (4 equiv.) and KO<sup>t</sup>Bu (1 to 4 equiv.) in THF at 10 K

### Proposed Reaction Mechanism:

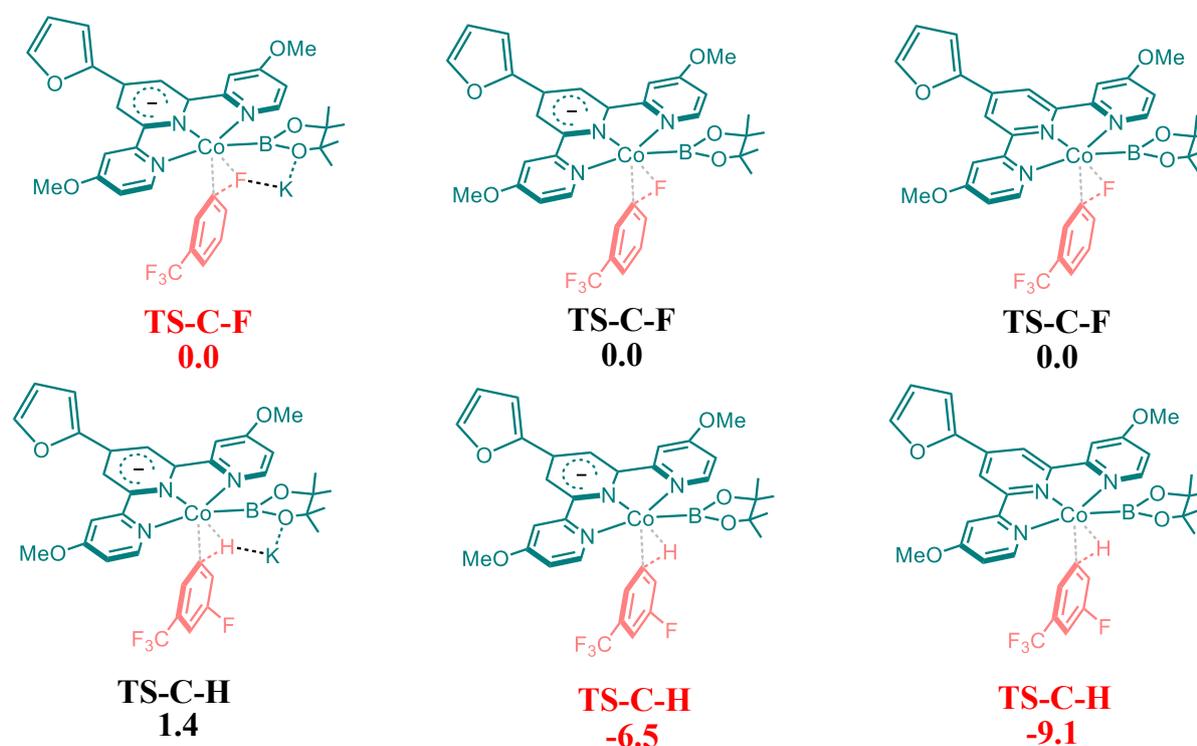
Below is a proposed reaction mechanism for the cobalt catalyzed *meta*-selective C-H functionalization of aromatic arenes. Upon charging of B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> and KO<sup>t</sup>Bu Precatalyst undergoes ligand exchange reaction with intense colour change. Which plausibly leads to the ionic INT1 complex suitable for C-H oxidative addition. After addition of substrate it probably forms the INT2 and transform to INT3 upon releasing of HBpin. This INT3 possibly undergoes oxidative addition with B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub> and a following by a reductive elimination generates the active catalyst INT1.



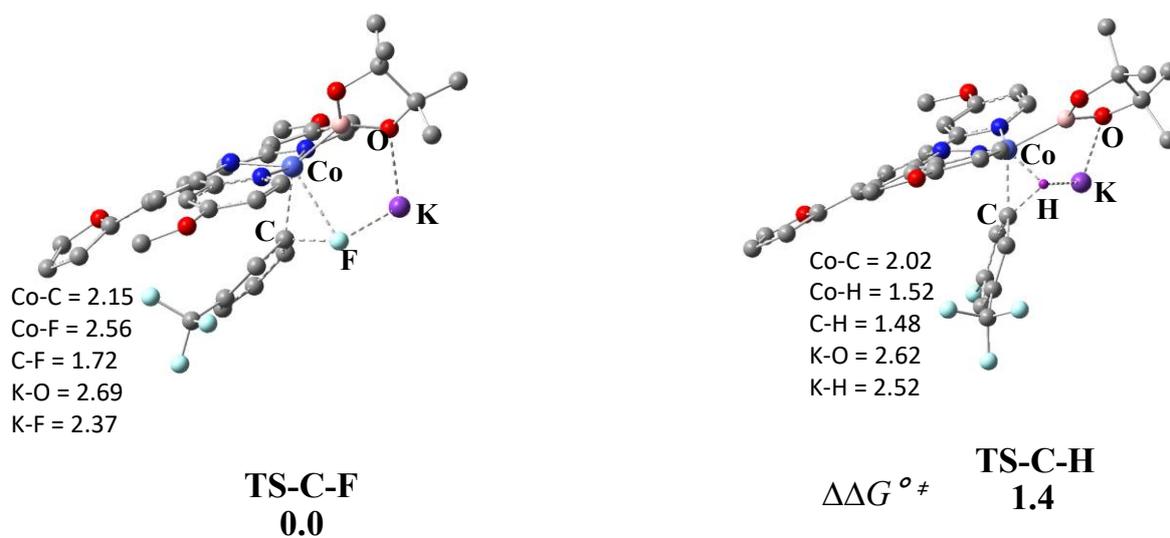
**Figure S10:** Proposed catalytic cycle

### Computational details:

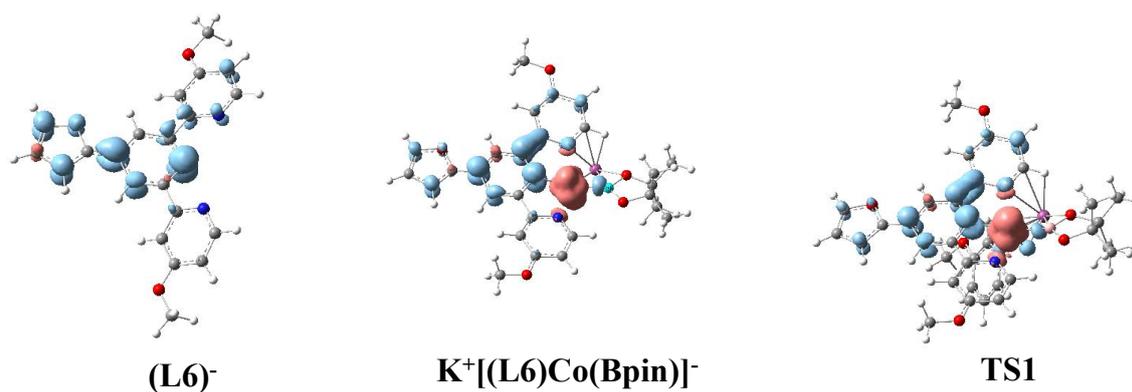
All DFT calculations were carried out with the Gaussian 16 program.<sup>20</sup> The geometry optimizations were conducted using the B3PW91 functional<sup>21,22</sup> including Grimme's dispersion corrections with a Becke-Johnson damping function<sup>23</sup>, combined with the SDD basis set<sup>24</sup> for Co, and 6-31G(d) basis set (BS-I) for all other atoms. Single-point energy calculations were performed with the same functional and a mixed basis set (BS-II) of SDD for Co and 6-311+G(d, p) for other atoms with the polarizable continuum model (PCM)<sup>25,26,27</sup> solvation model to simulate the solvent effect of tetrahydrofuran (THF). In this work, discussion is presented using the Gibbs energy. Thermal correction and entropy contribution to the Gibbs energy were evaluated at 296.15 K and 1 atm, where the translational entropy in solution was corrected by the method of Whiteside et al<sup>28</sup>.



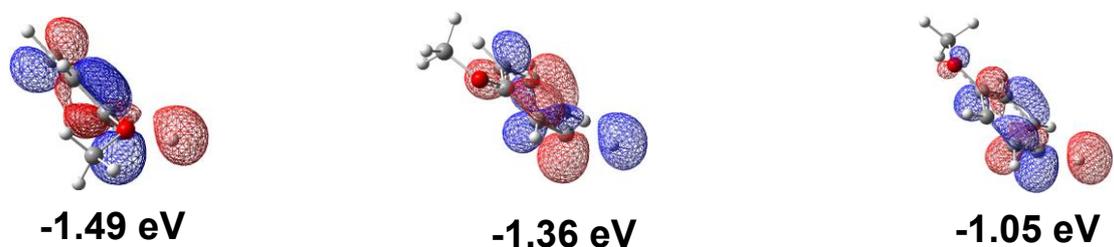
**Figure S11.** The relative Gibbs energy of the transition state ( $\Delta\Delta G^\ddagger$ ) for C–F and C–H bond activation of substrate **8** catalyzed by ate-complex  $[(L6)Co^I(Bpin)]^-K^+$ ,  $[(L6)Co^I(Bpin)]^-$  and neutral complex  $[(L6)Co^I(Bpin)]$ .



**Figure S12.** The geometric structure of the transition state ( $\Delta\Delta G^{\ddagger}$ ) of C-F and C-H bond activation of substrate **8**.



**Figure S13.** Spin density of (L6)<sup>-</sup>, active species K<sup>+</sup>[(L6)Co(Bpin)]<sup>-</sup>, and TS1.



**Figure S14.** The  $\sigma^*$  orbital of *ortho*, *meta* and *para* C-H bond of anisole fragment in transition states and corresponding energy level.

**Table S4.** The relative Gibbs energy of transition state ( $\Delta\Delta G^{\ddagger}$ ) for [(L6)Co<sup>I</sup>(Bpin)]<sup>-</sup>K<sup>+</sup> catalyzed C–H activation of diverse classes of arenes (R=Me, OMe, NMe<sub>2</sub> and amide).

R	TS-o	TS-m	TS-p	Cal. ((o/m/p))	Exp. (o/m/p)
Me	6.2	0	0.5	0/80/20	0/70/30
OMe	6.6	0	1.8	0/96/4	0/93/7
NMe <sub>2</sub>	7.2	0	3.3	0/99/1	0/96/4
Amide	6.2	0	3.4	0/99/1	0/98/2

**Table S5.****Coordinates and energies:**

82				H	4.248402	2.228384	-4.575758
TS-o(Me), b3pw91/BS-II =				H	3.090879	1.819704	-5.850785
-2628.963832 au				H	3.968489	0.527845	-5.007999
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C	1.116504	-4.084146	-0.807592	H	2.671073	3.443725	-3.096419
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C	1.861660	2.848347	-3.529832	H	3.522265	-2.946875	2.993106
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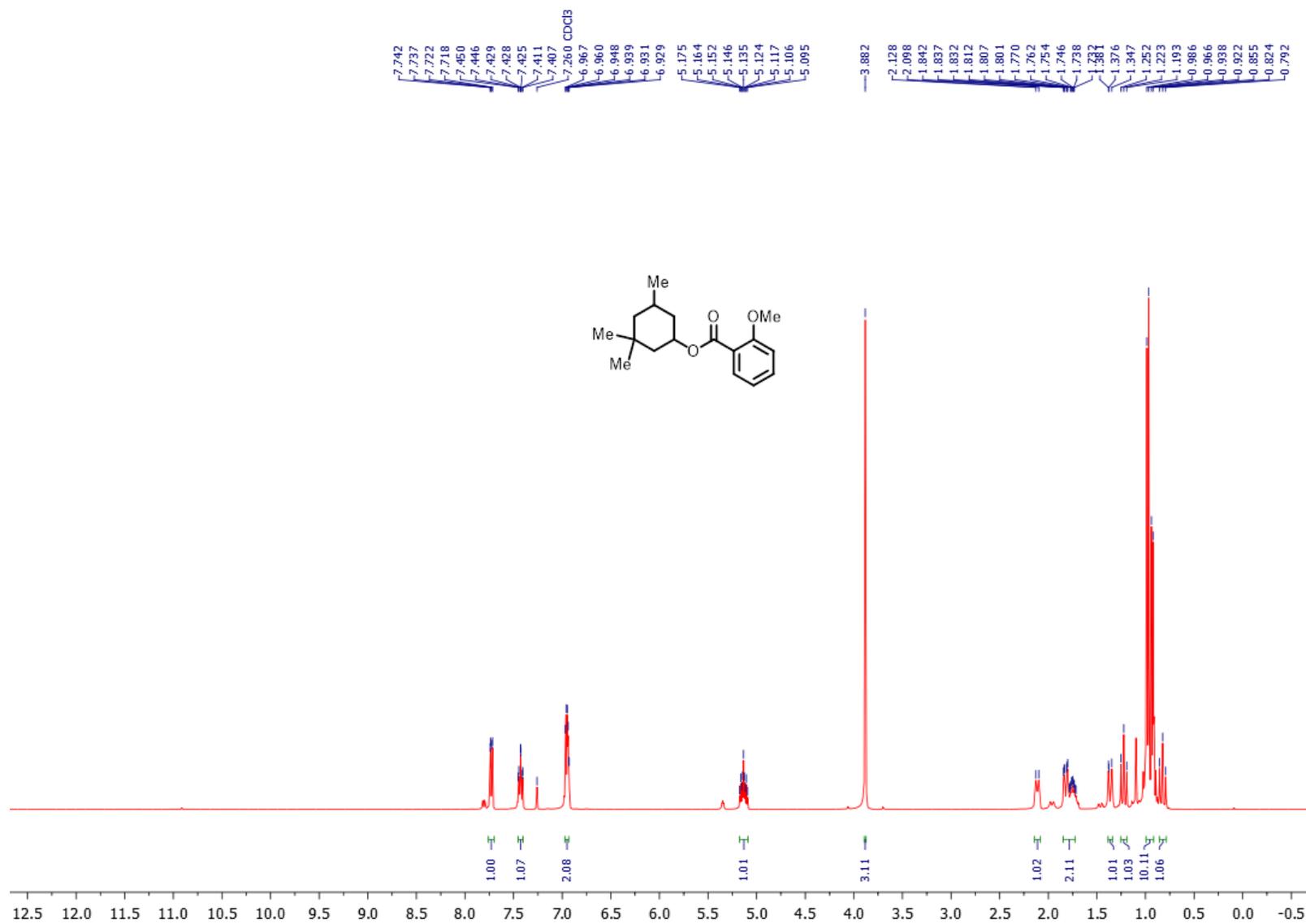
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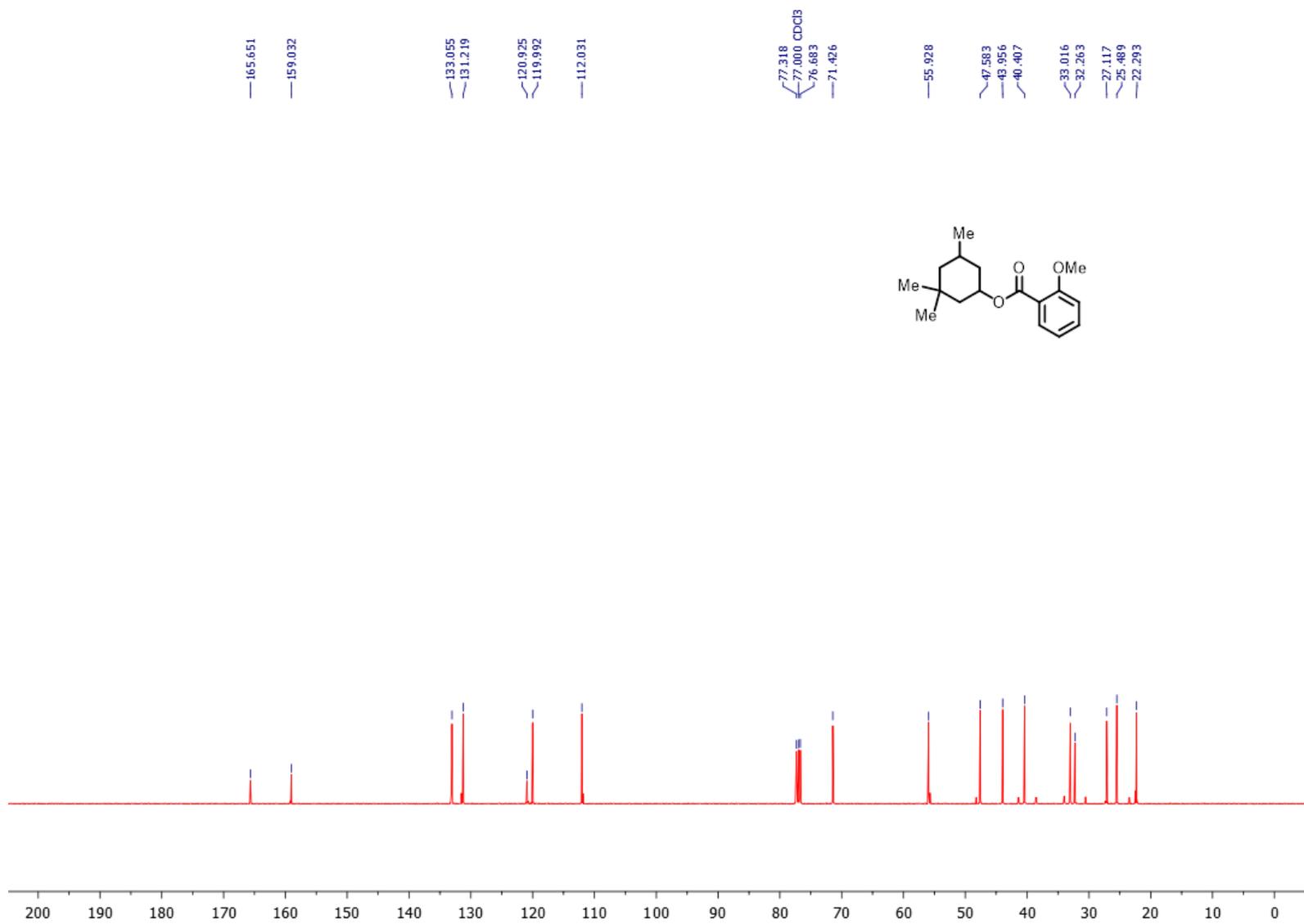
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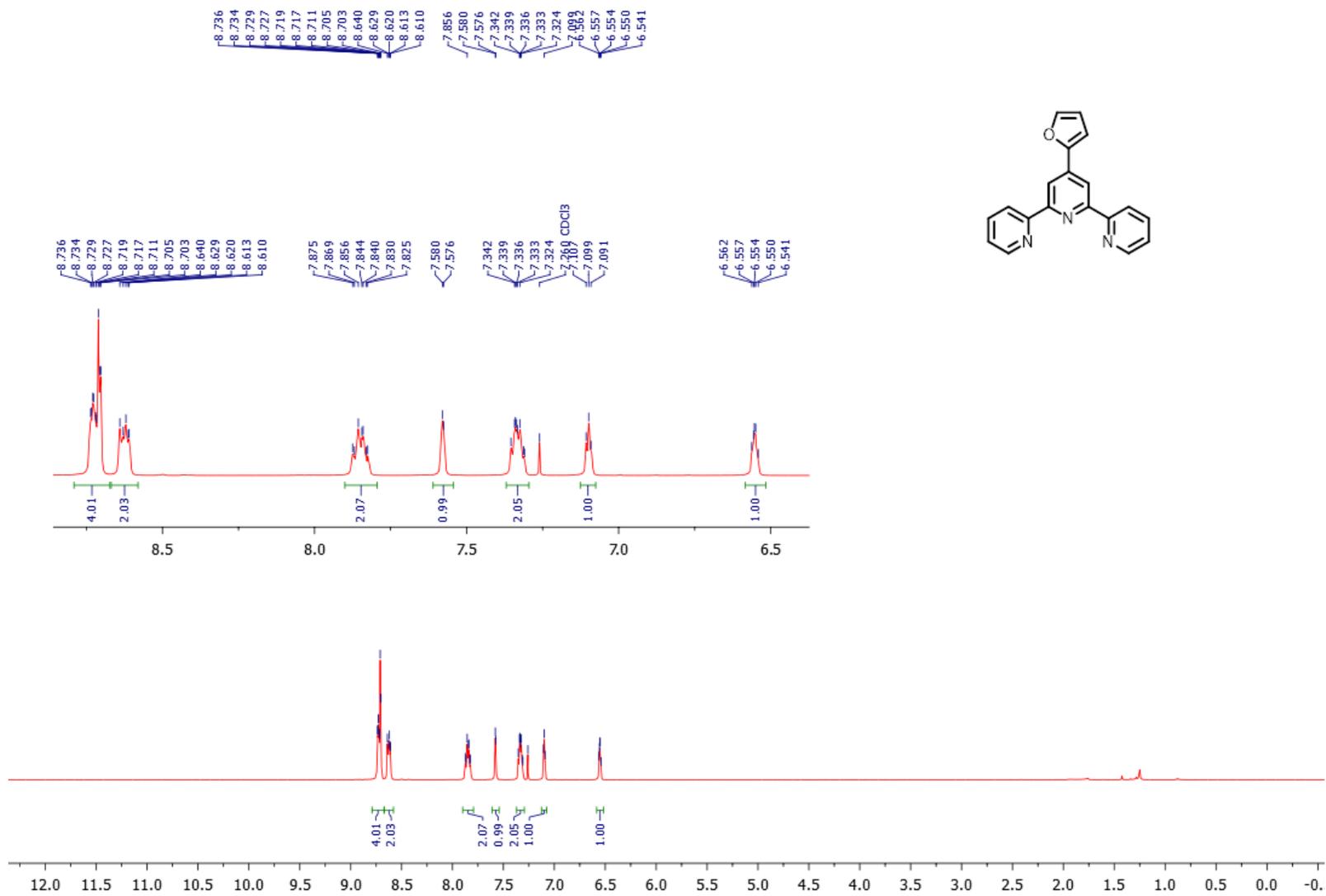
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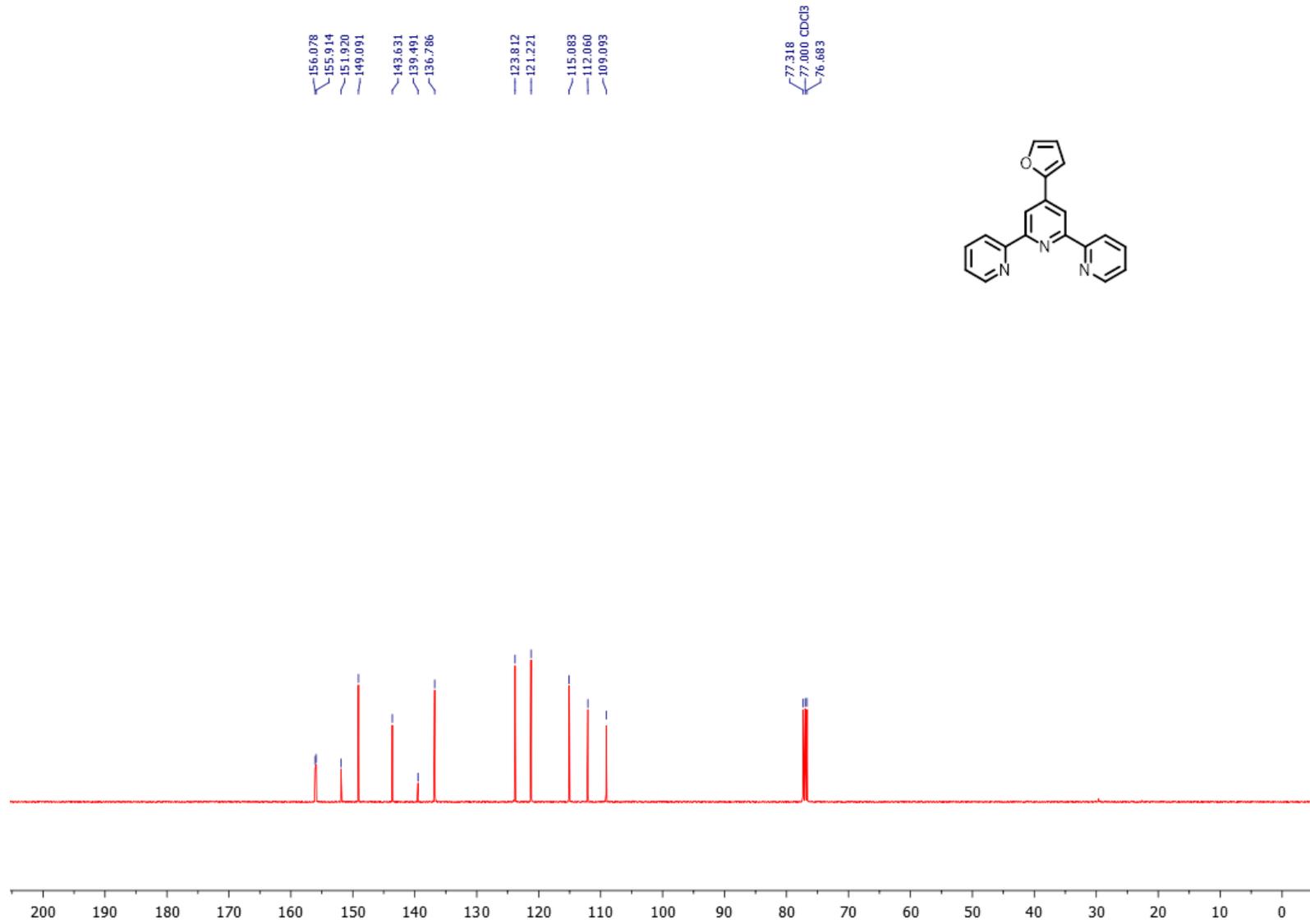
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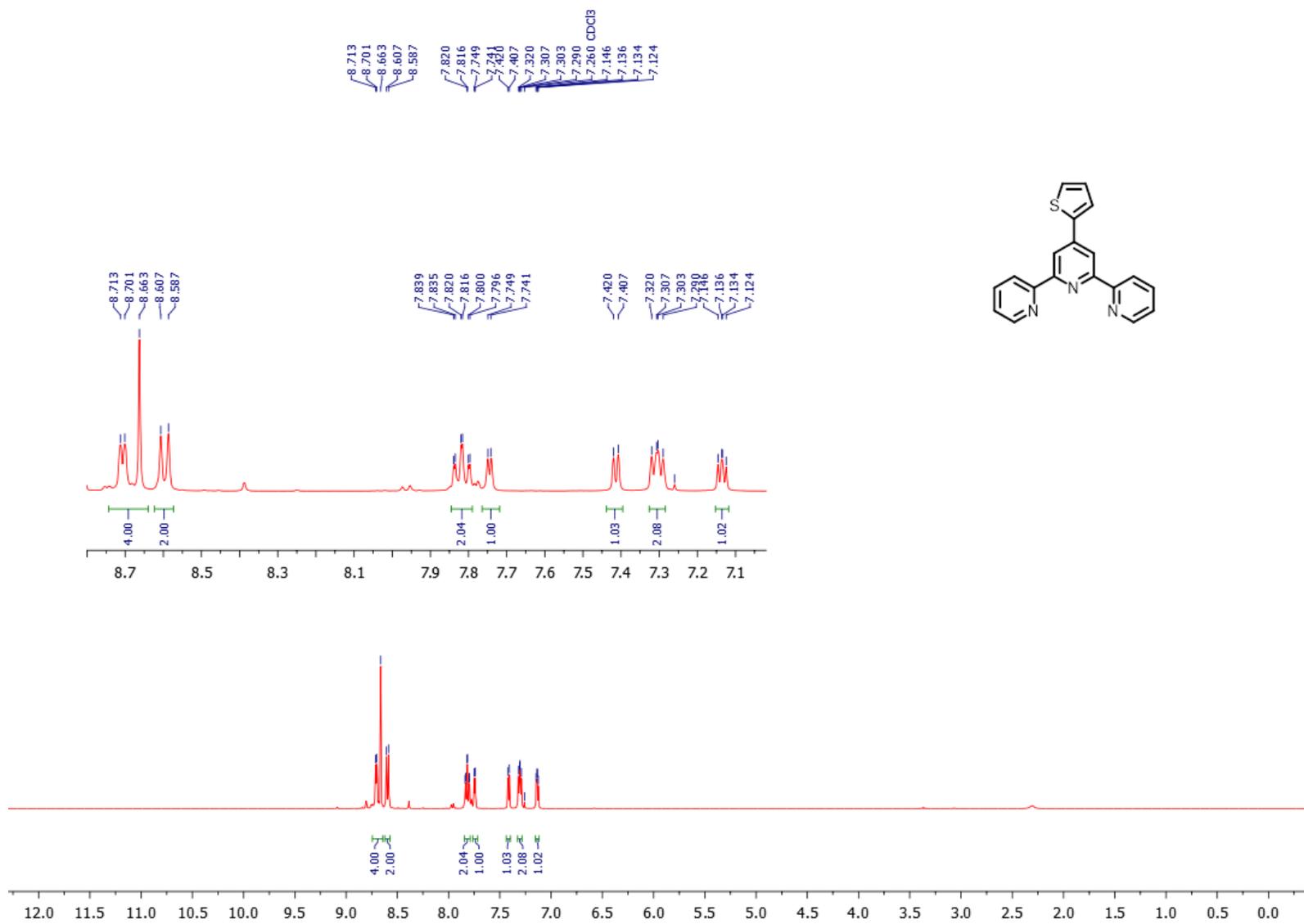
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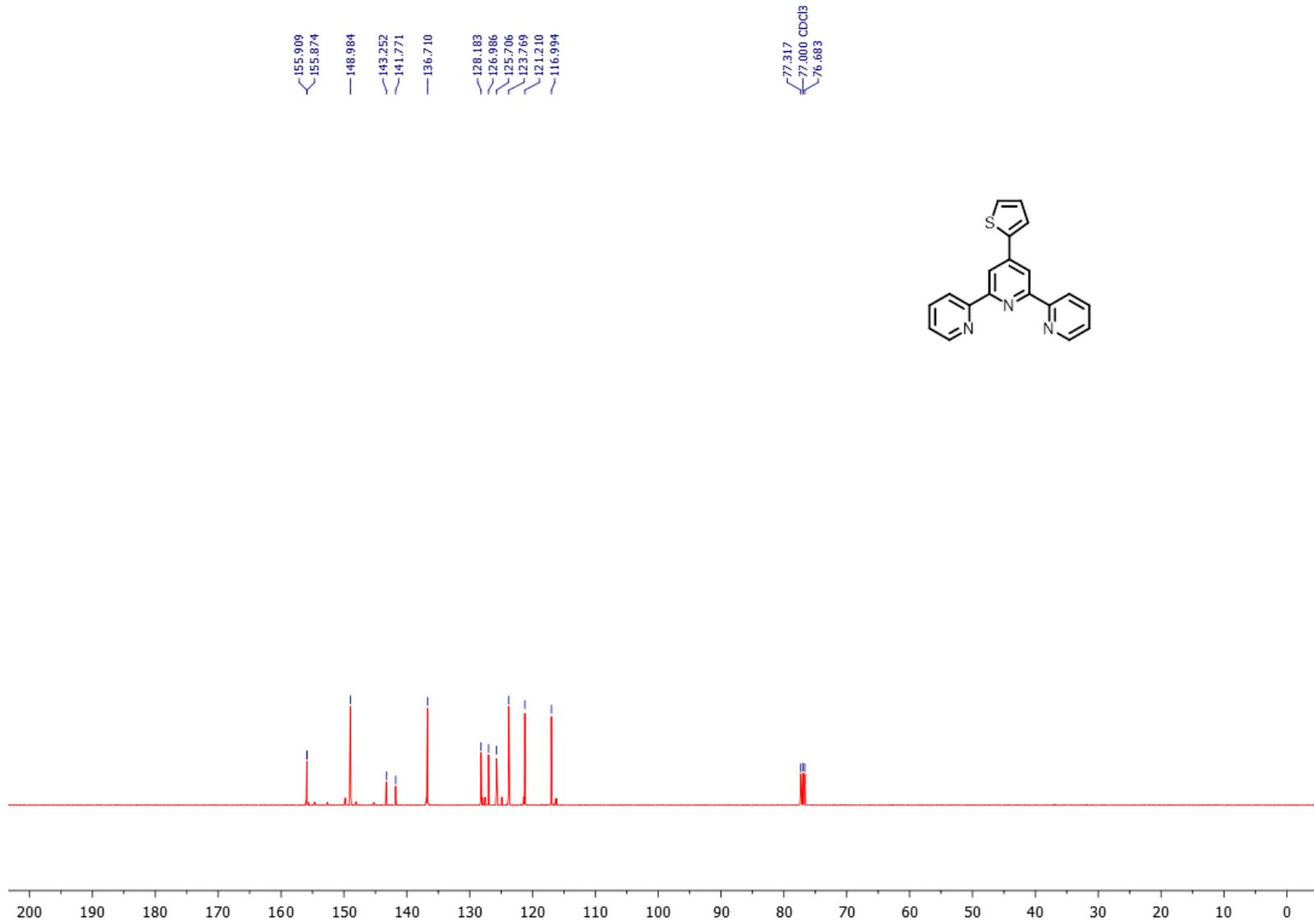
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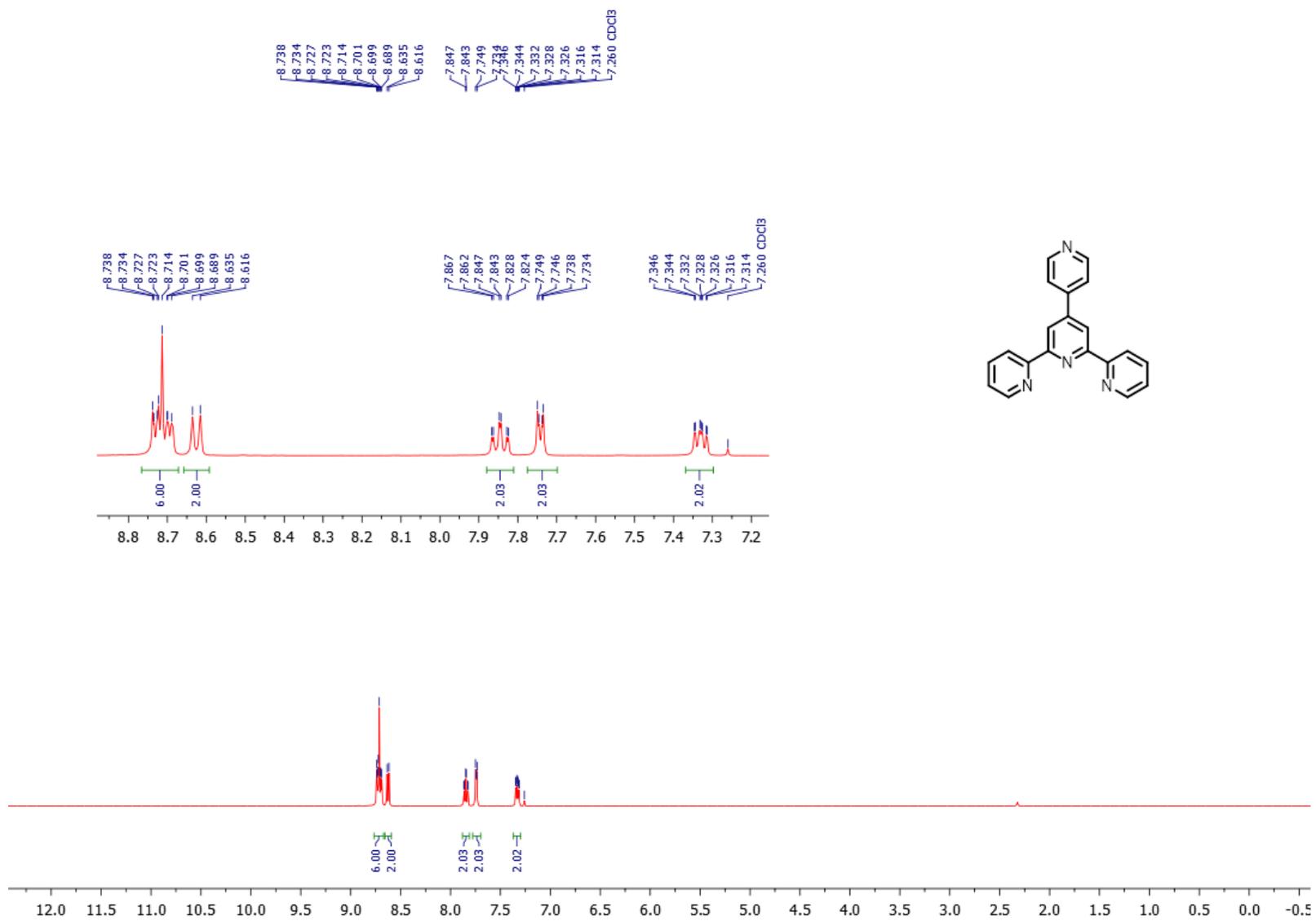
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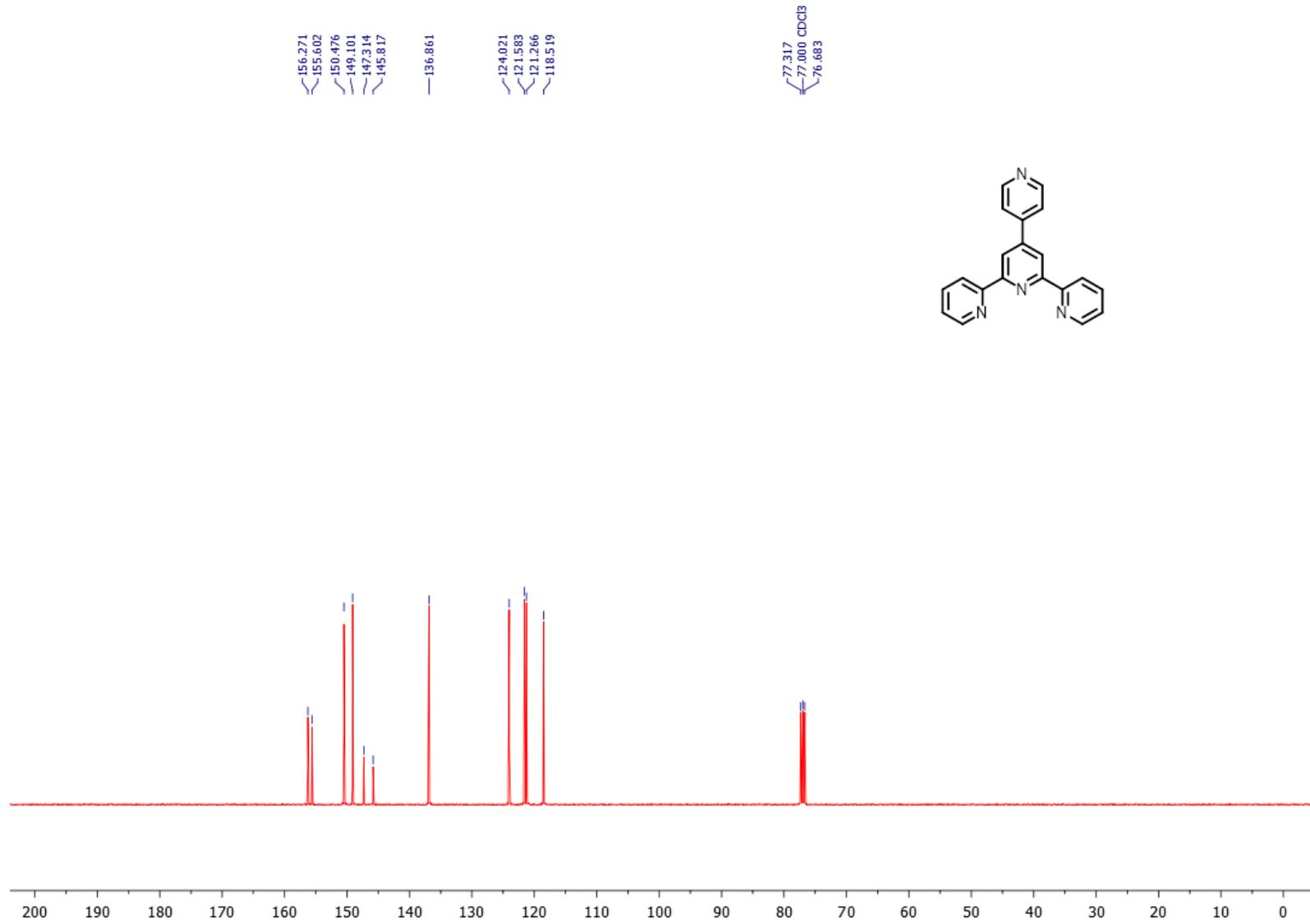
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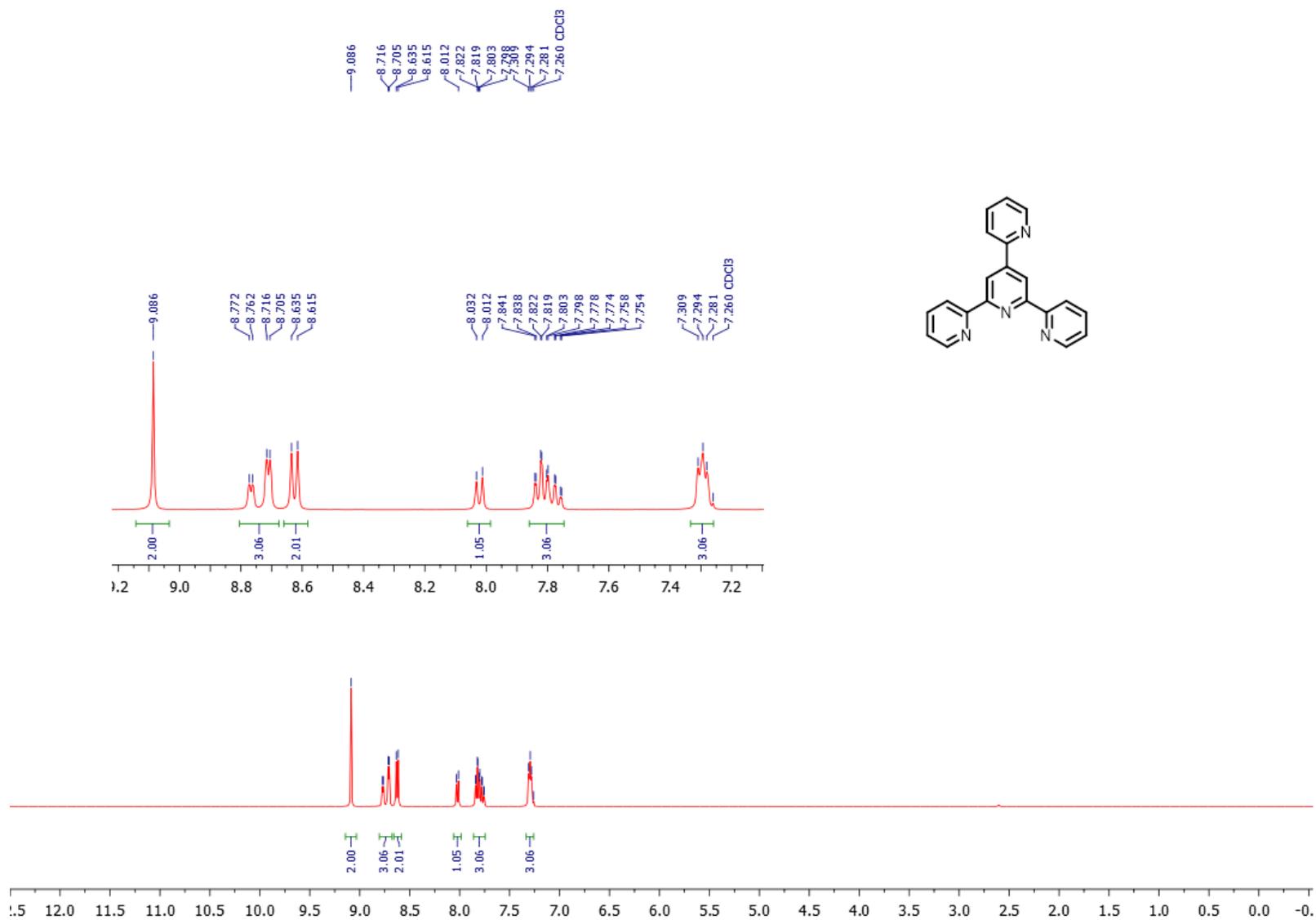
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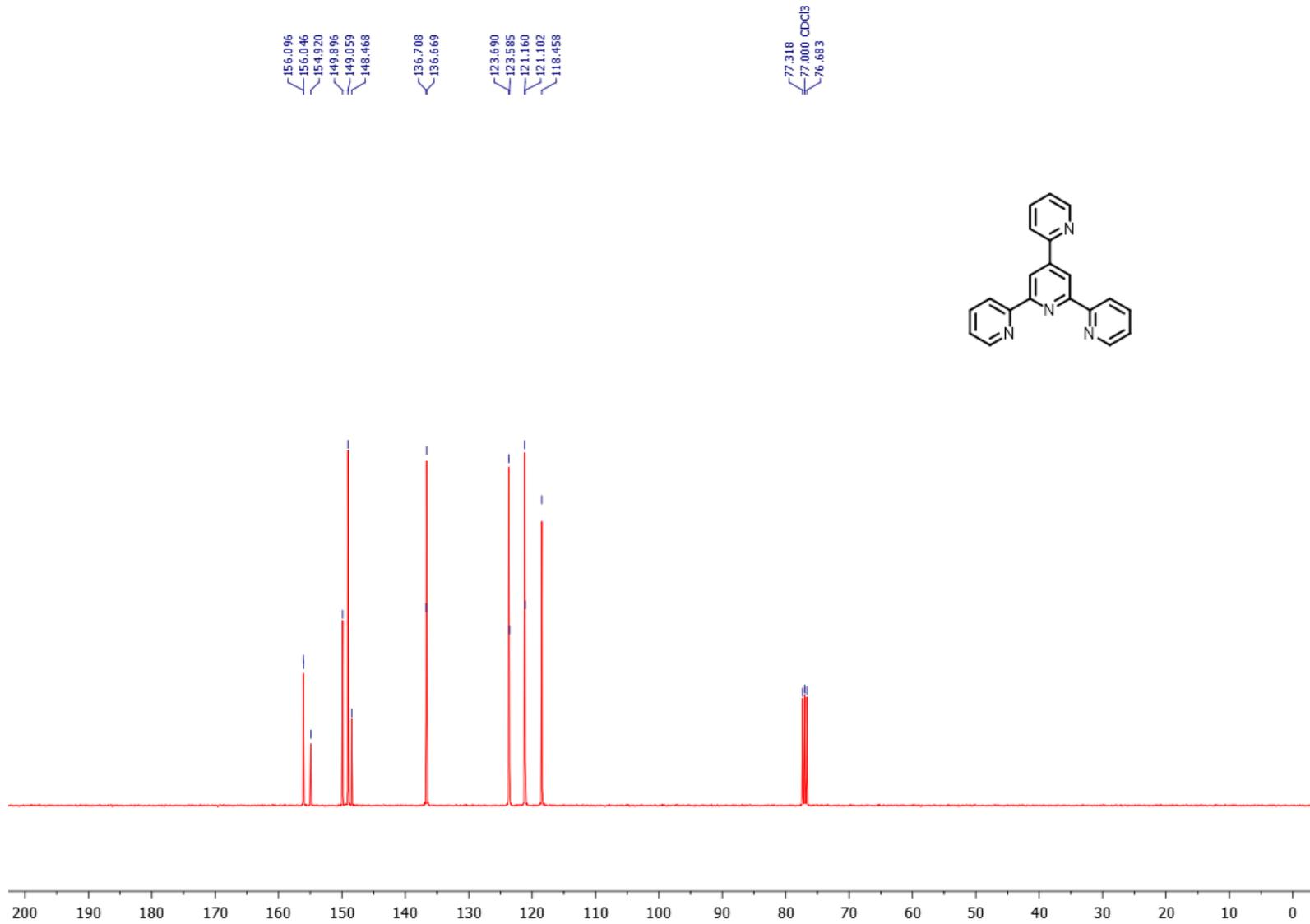
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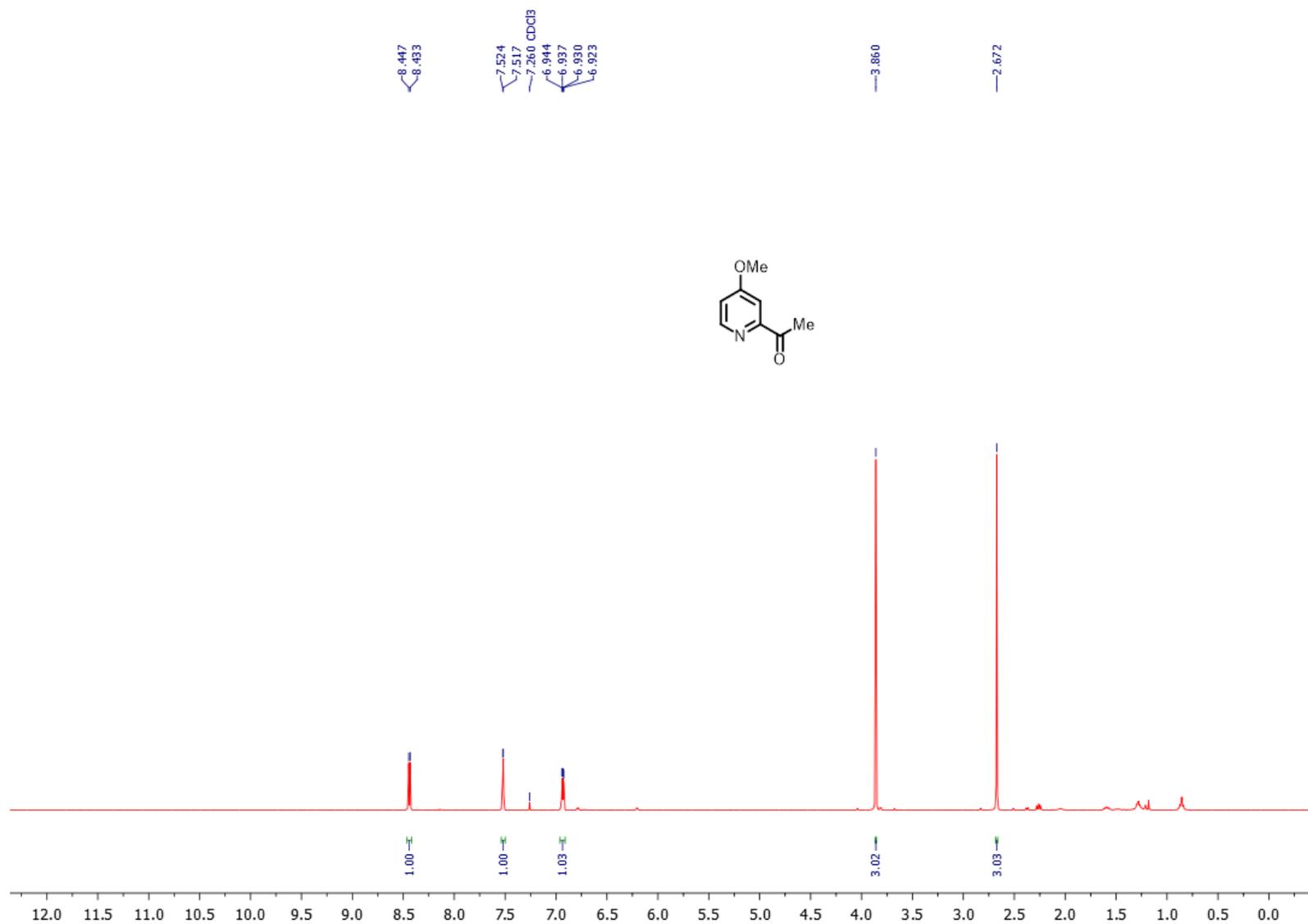
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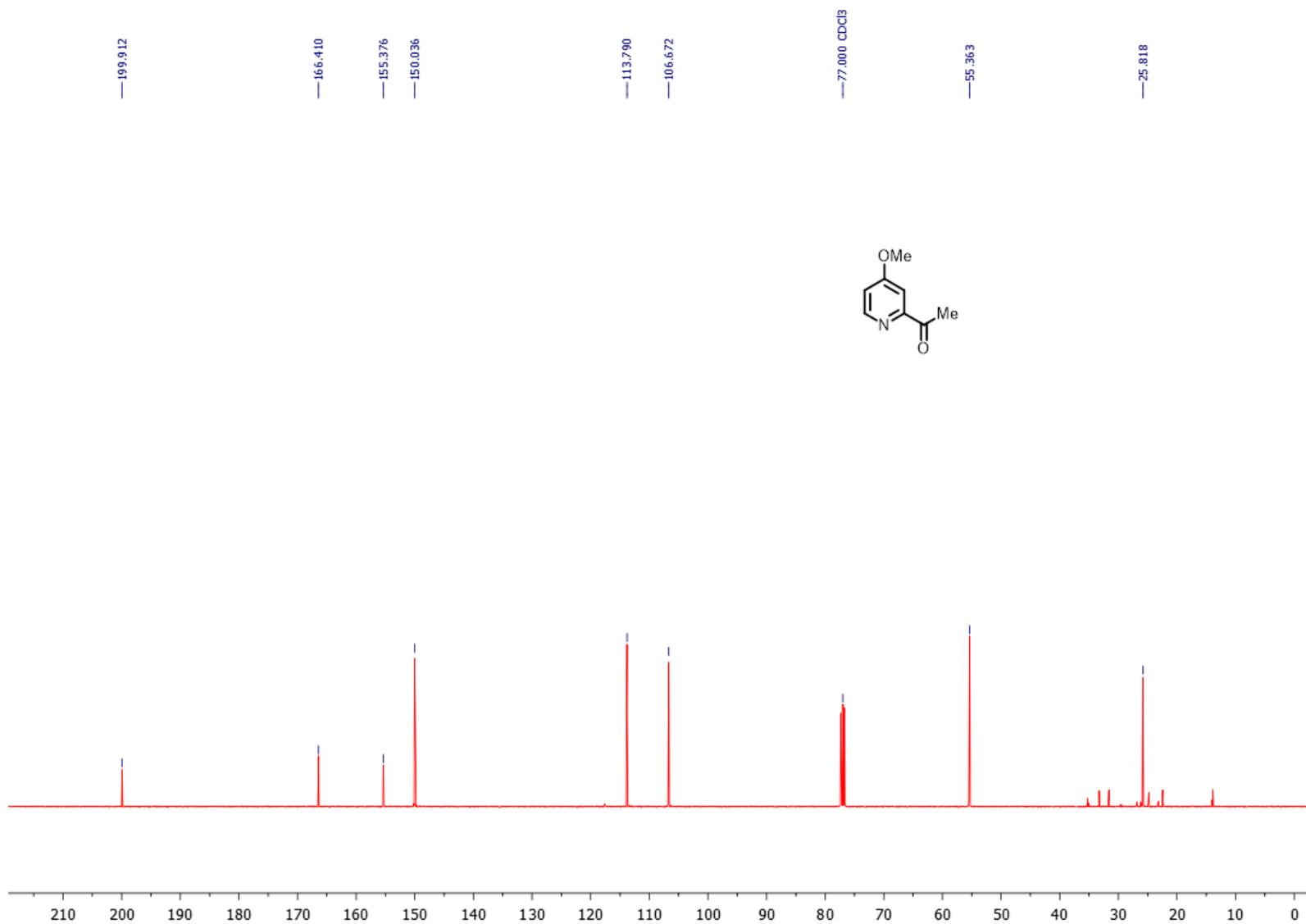
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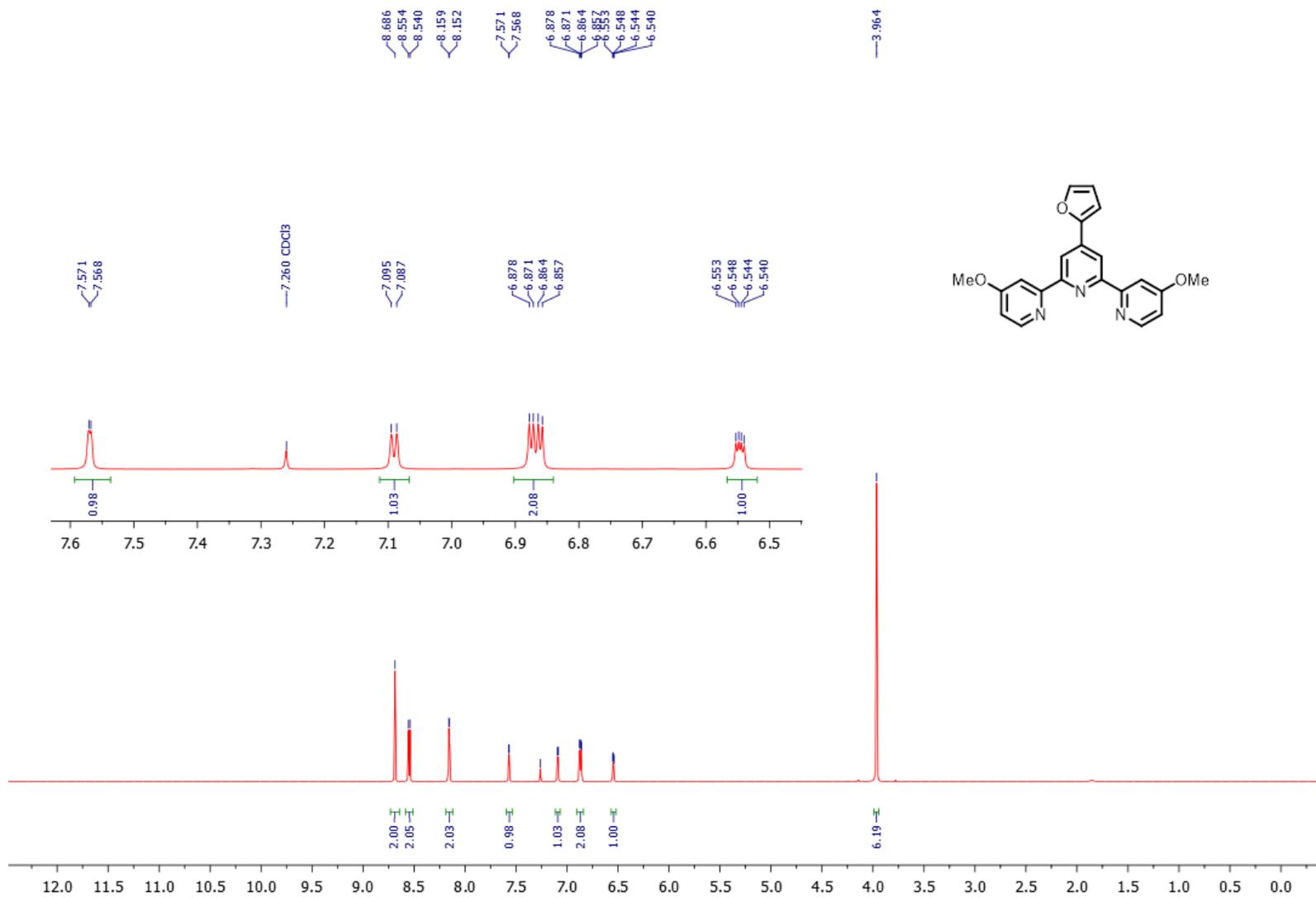
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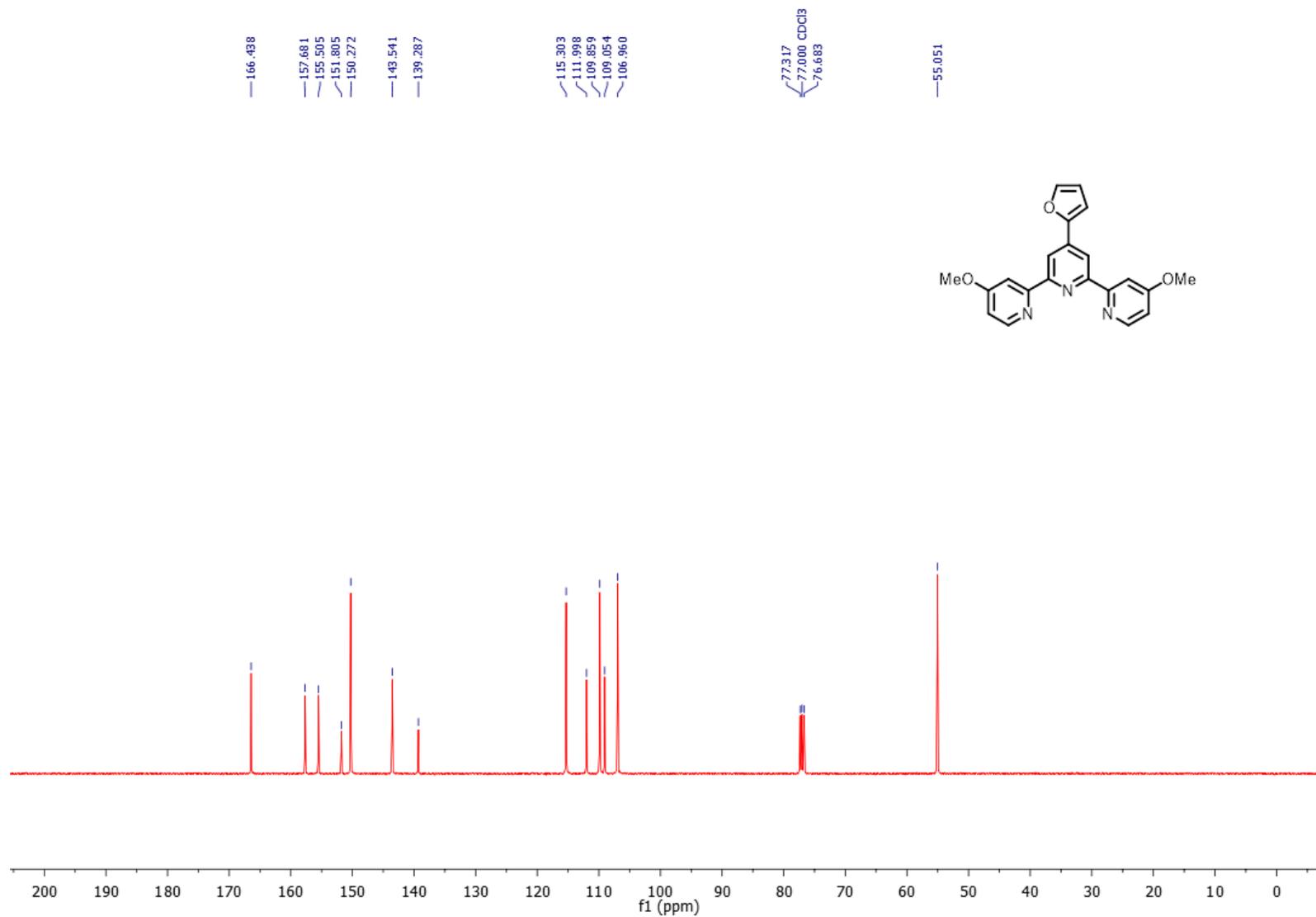
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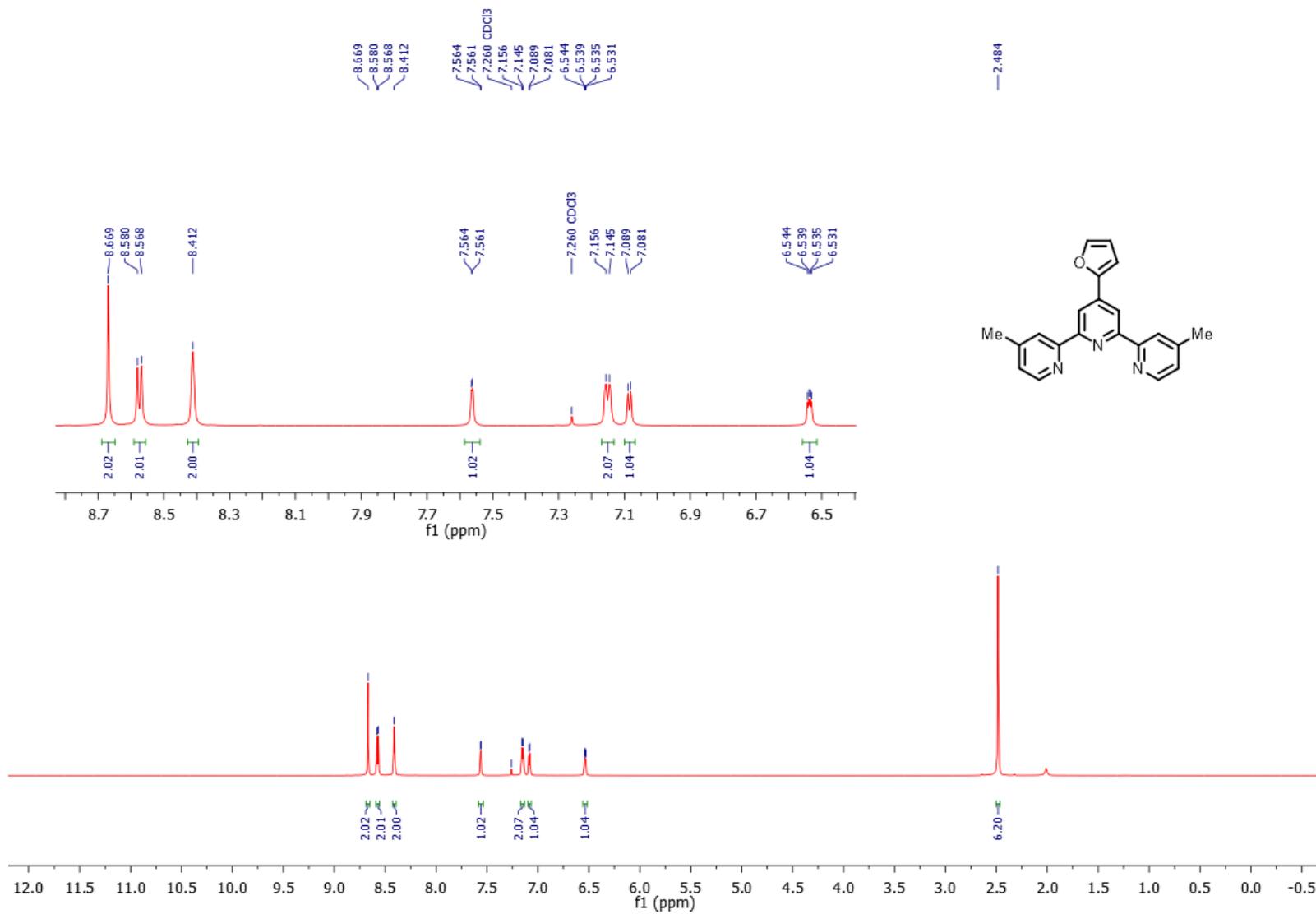
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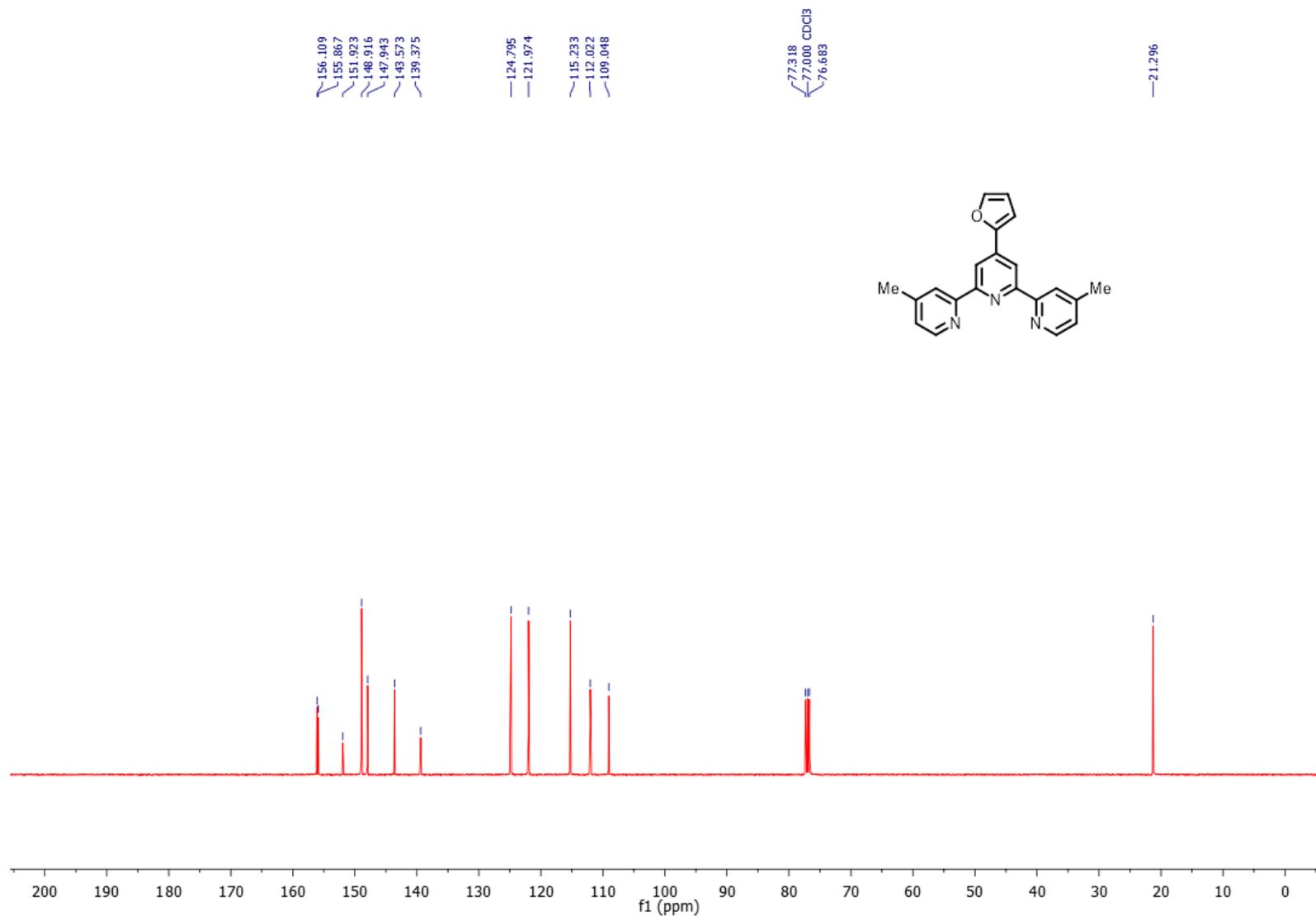
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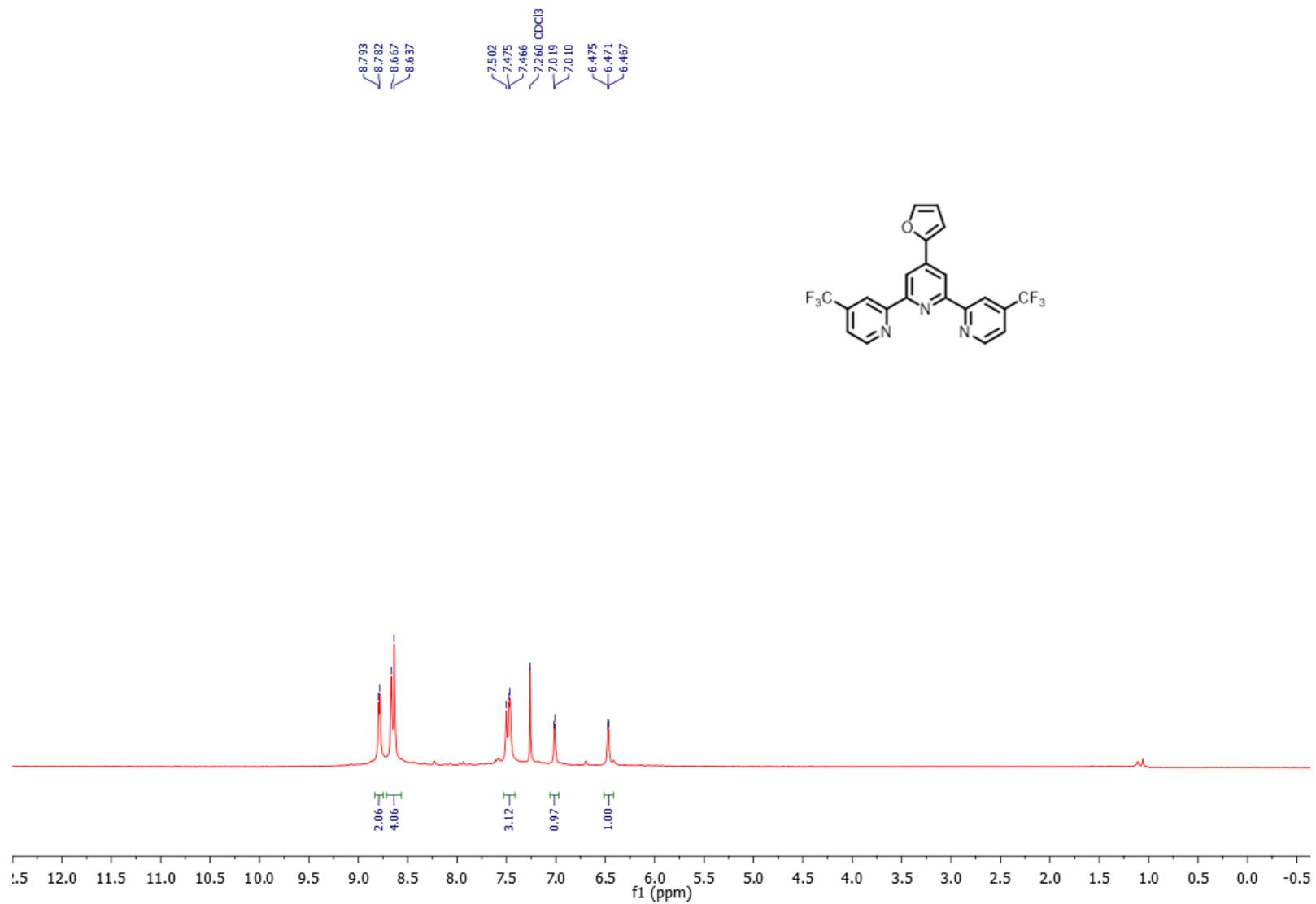
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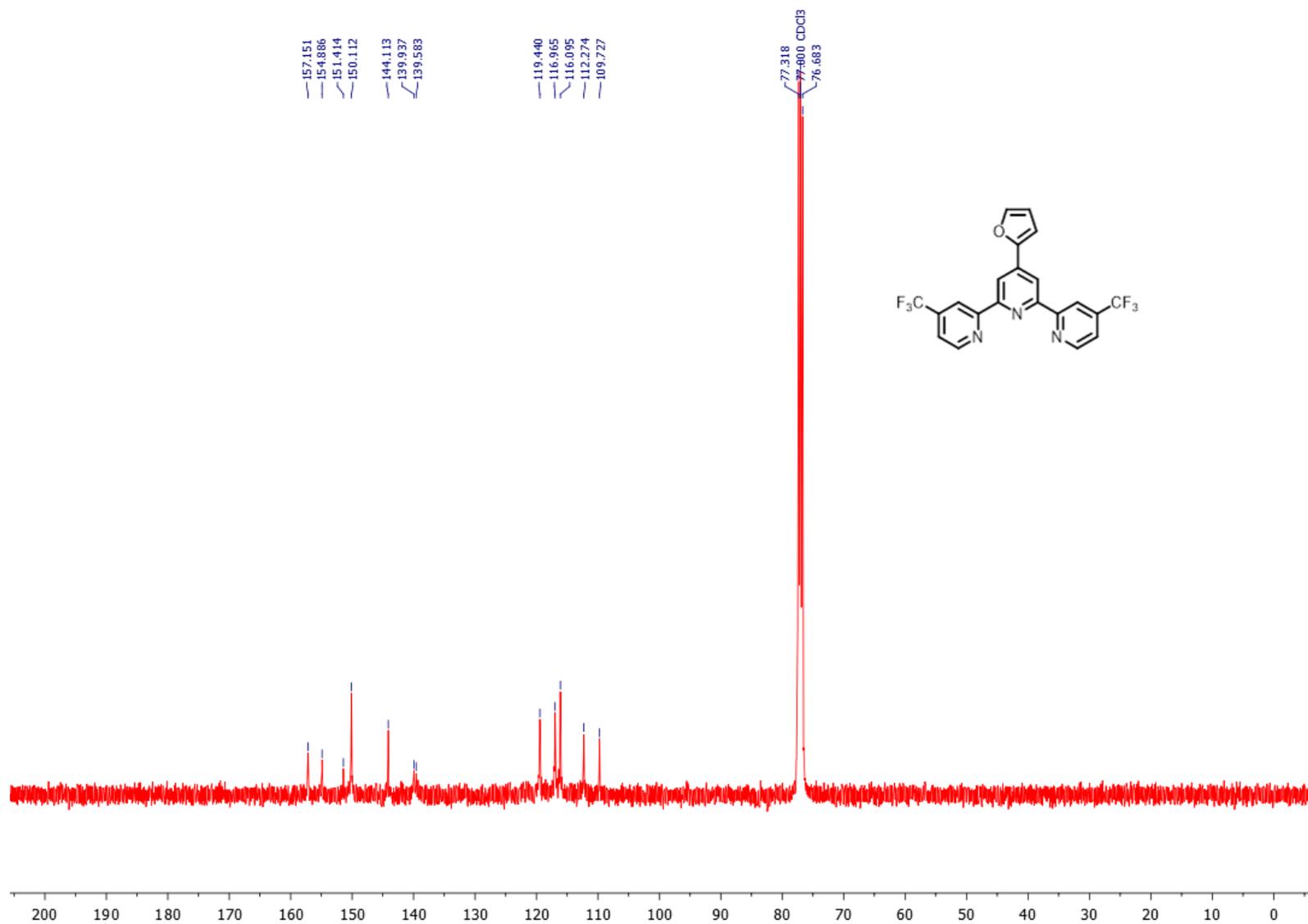
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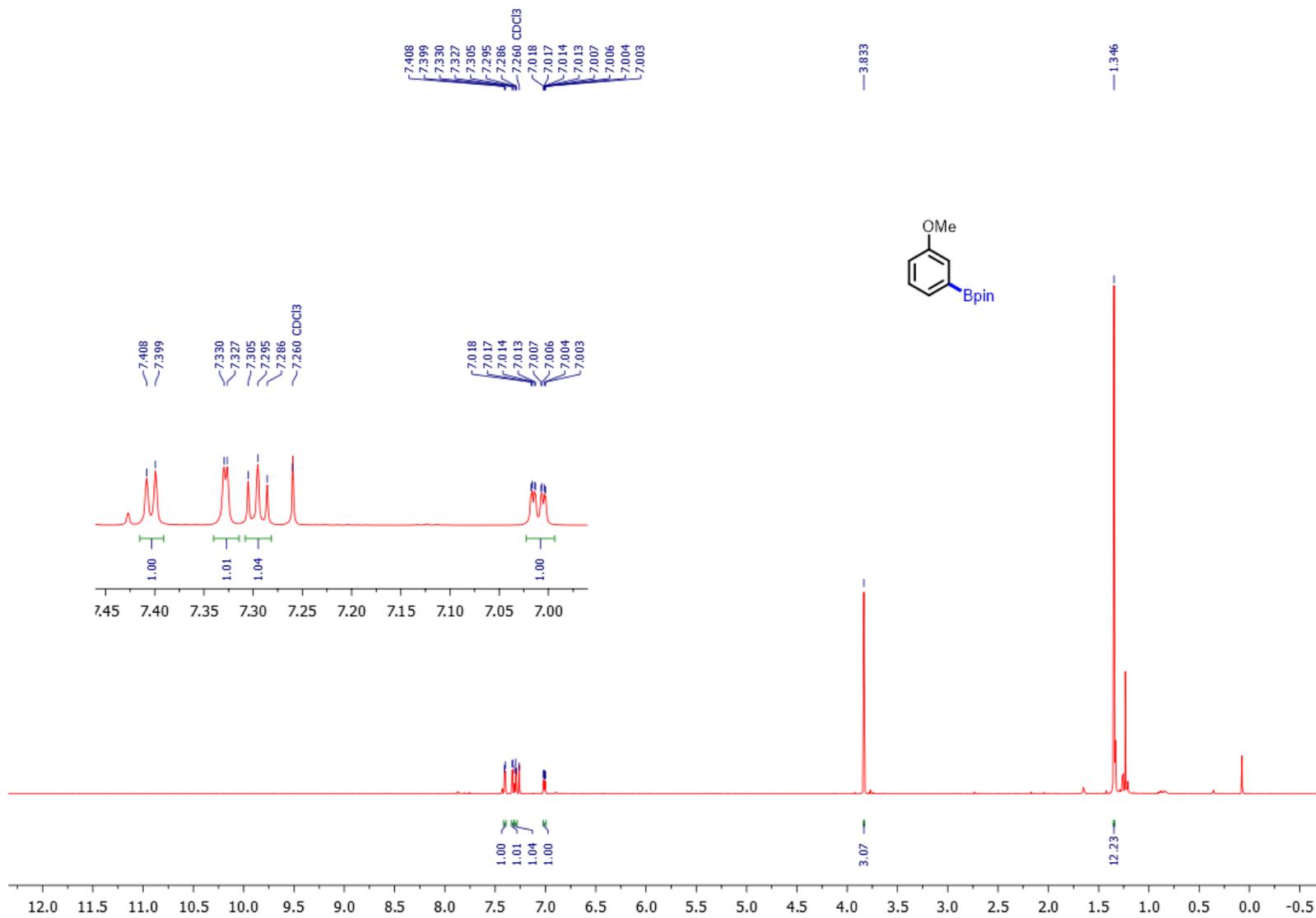
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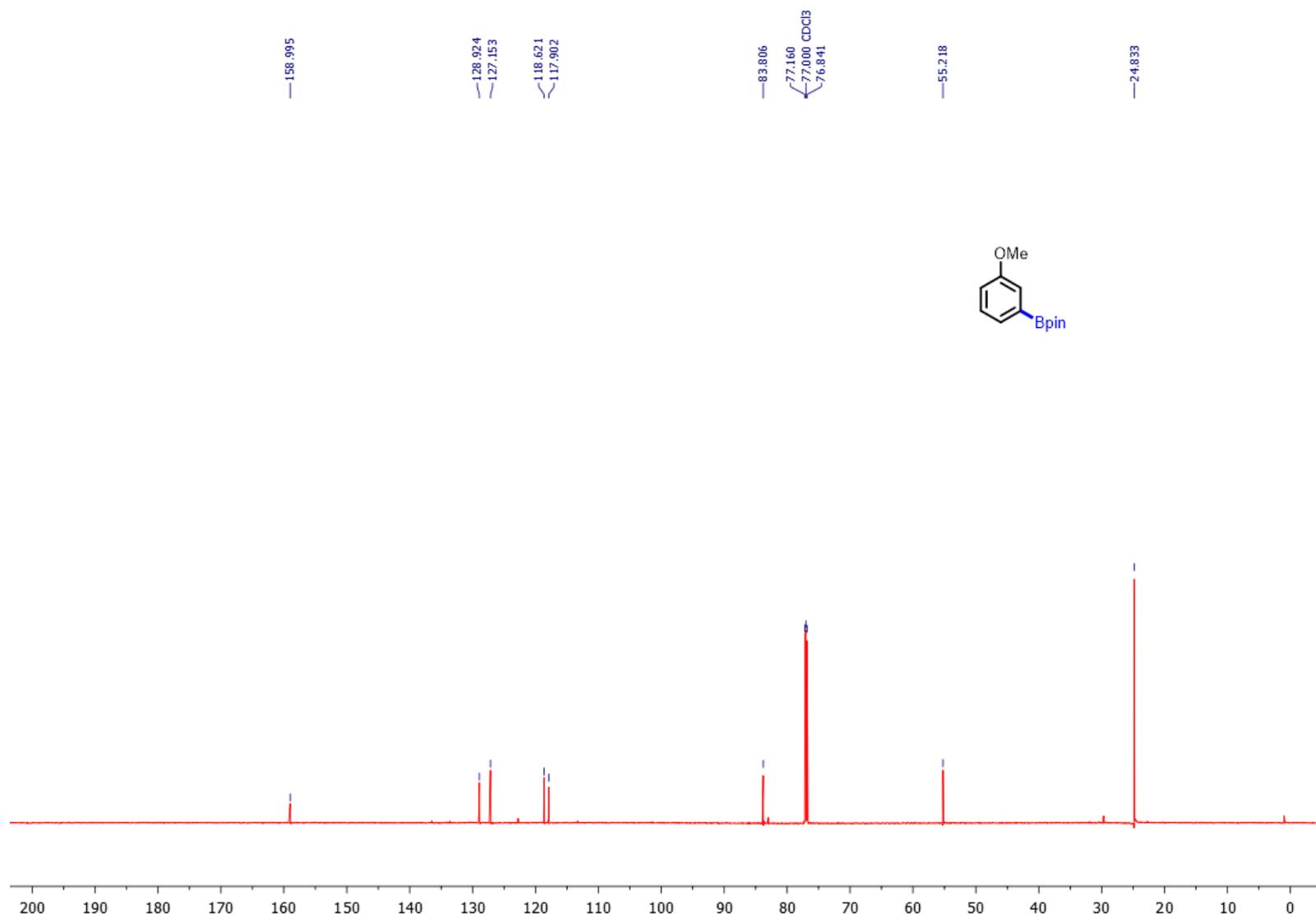
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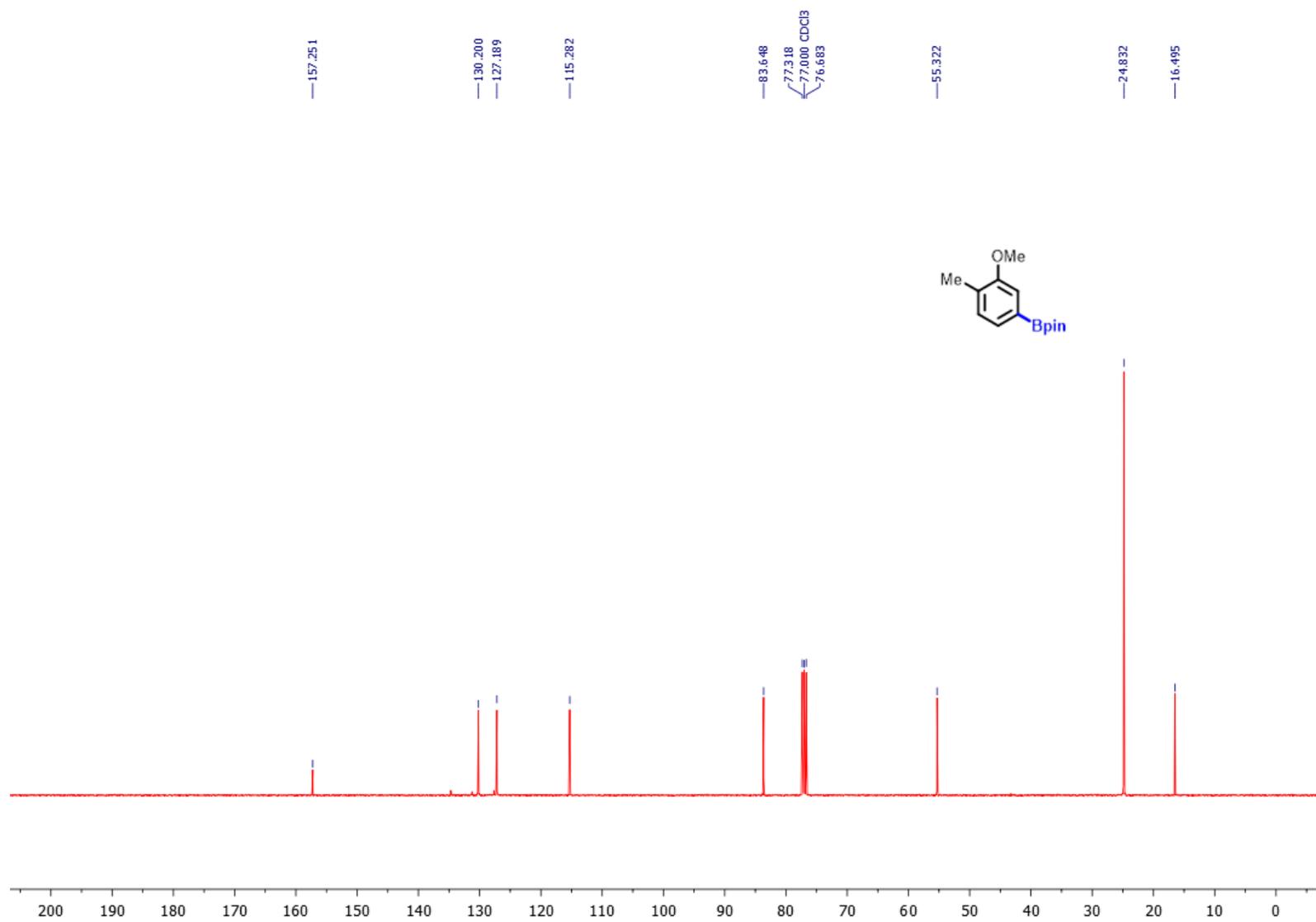


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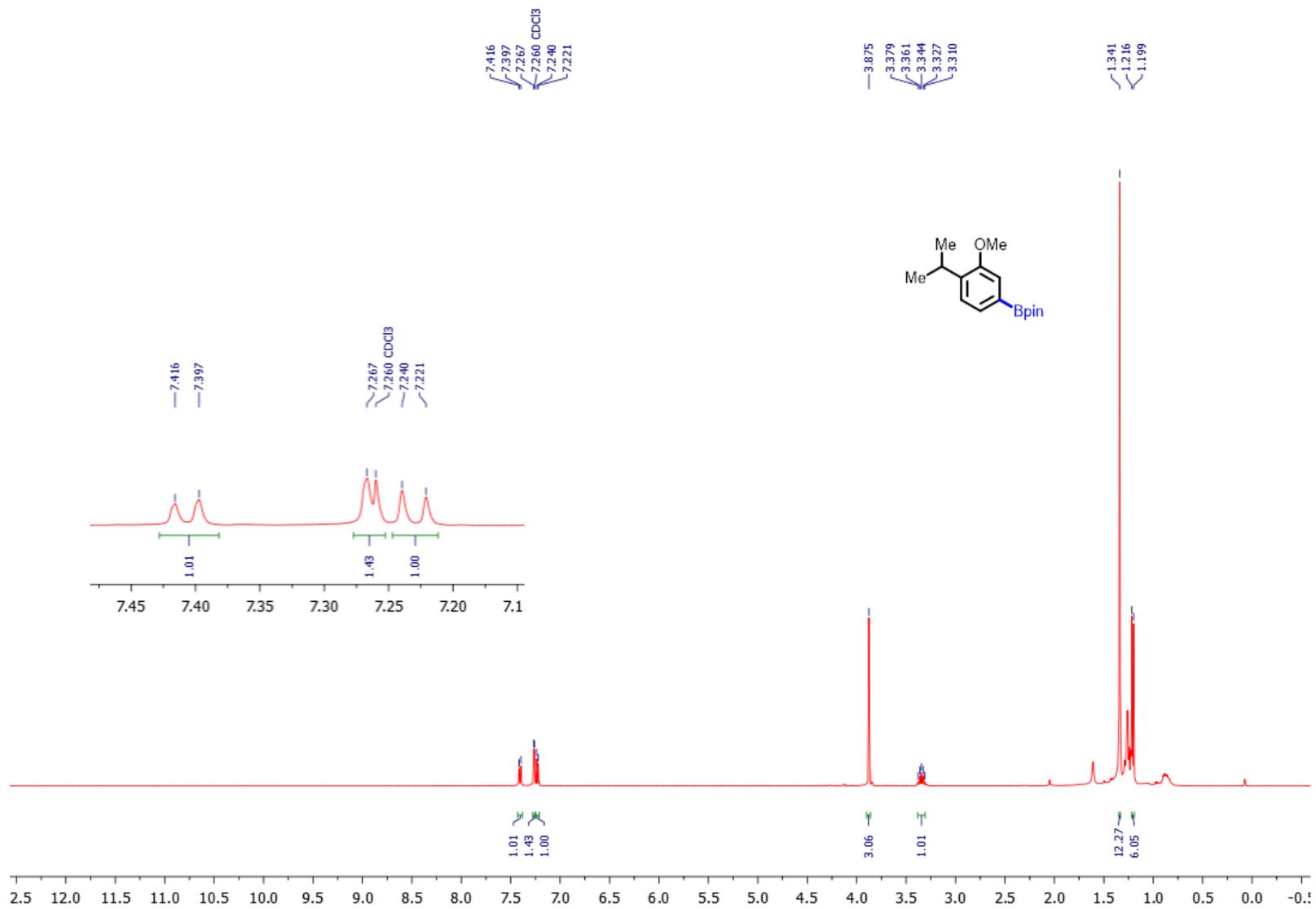


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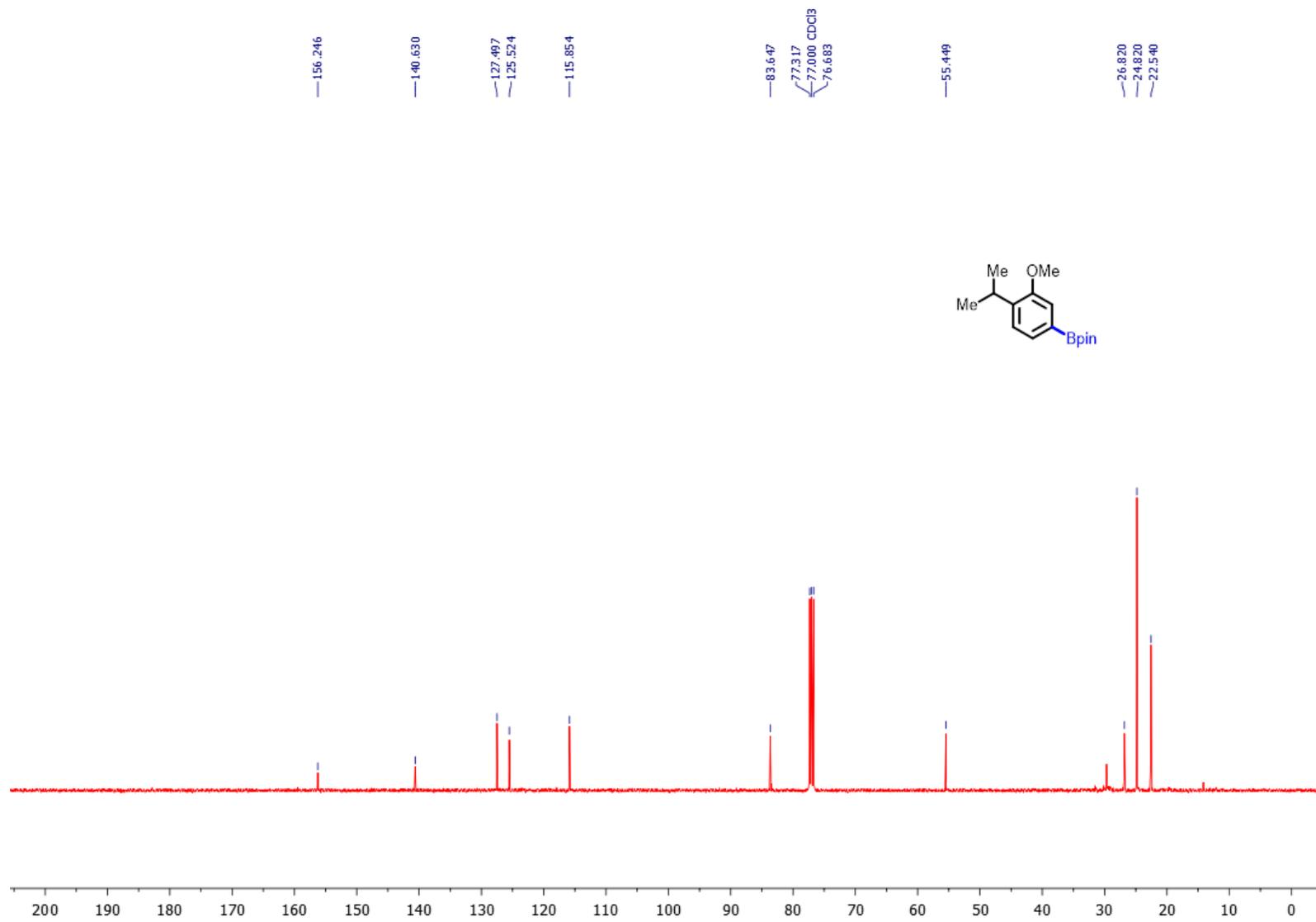




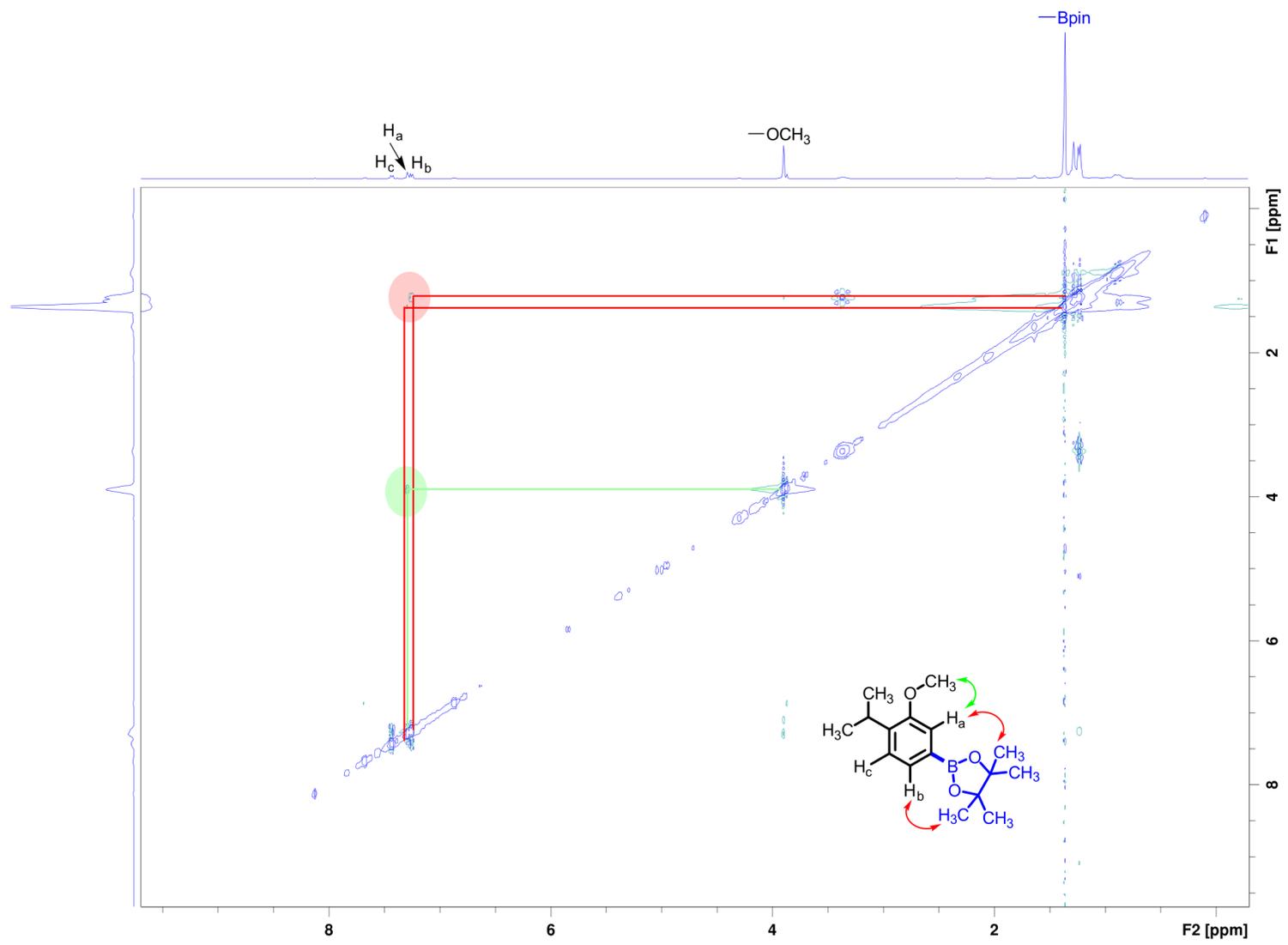
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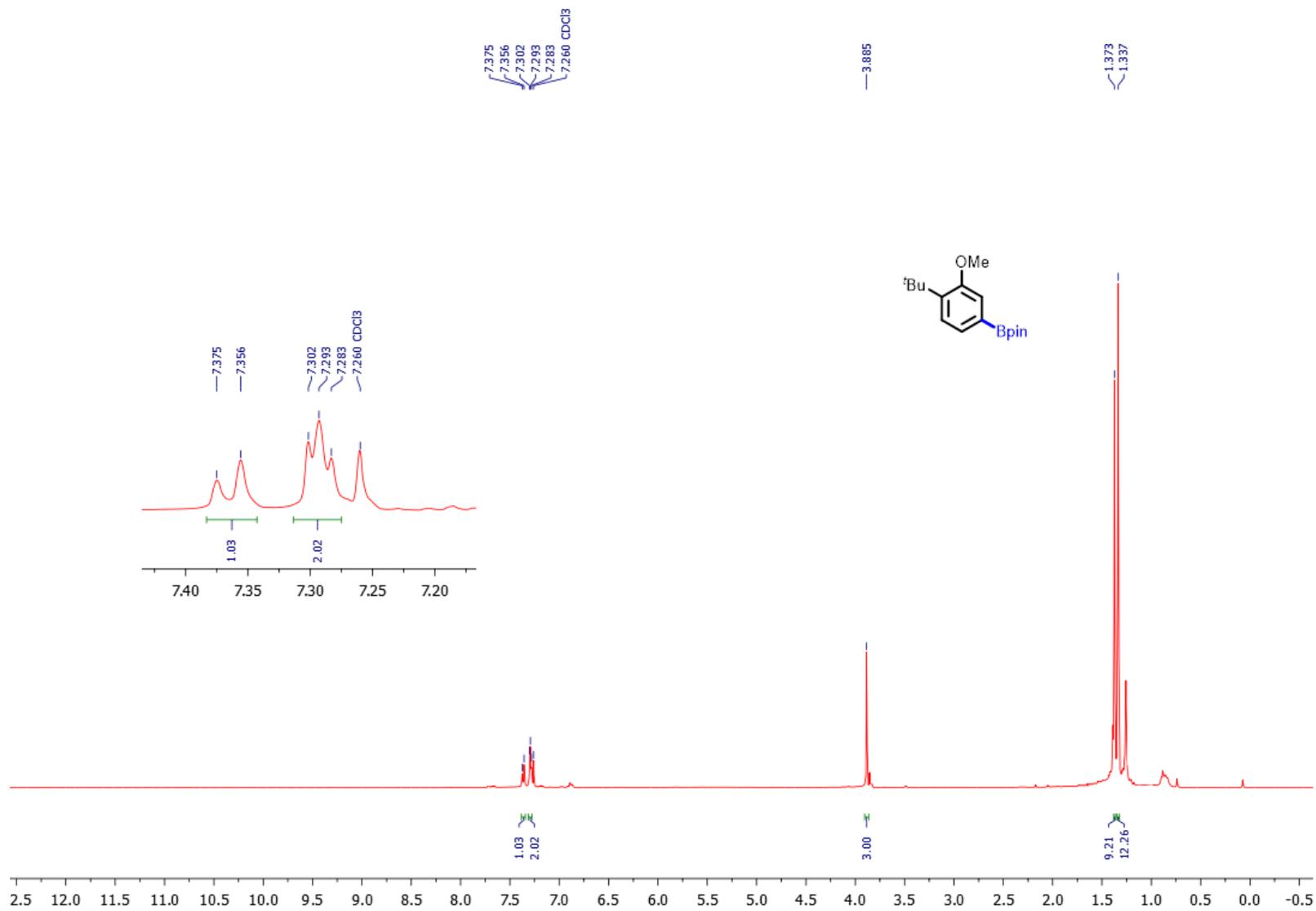
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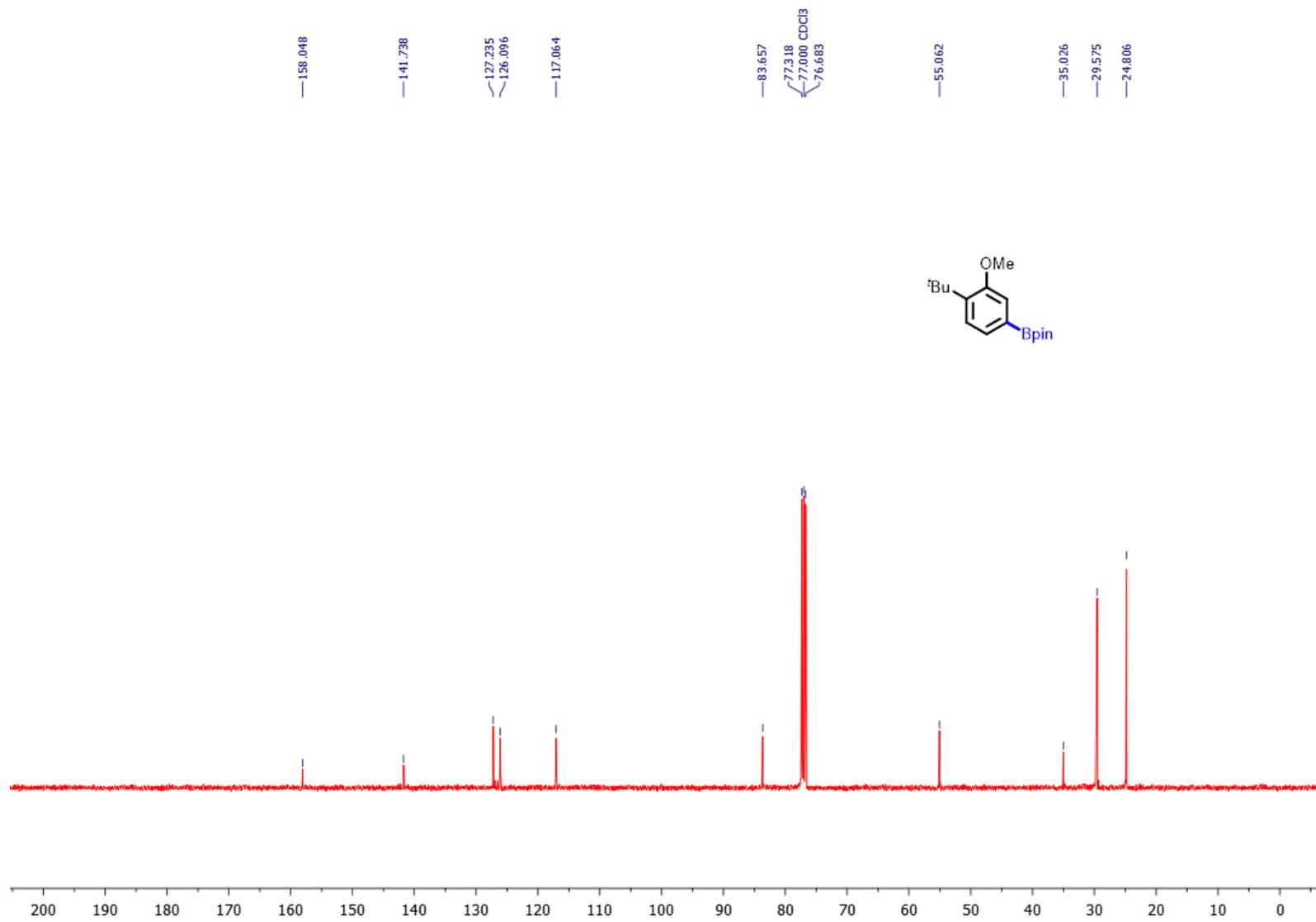
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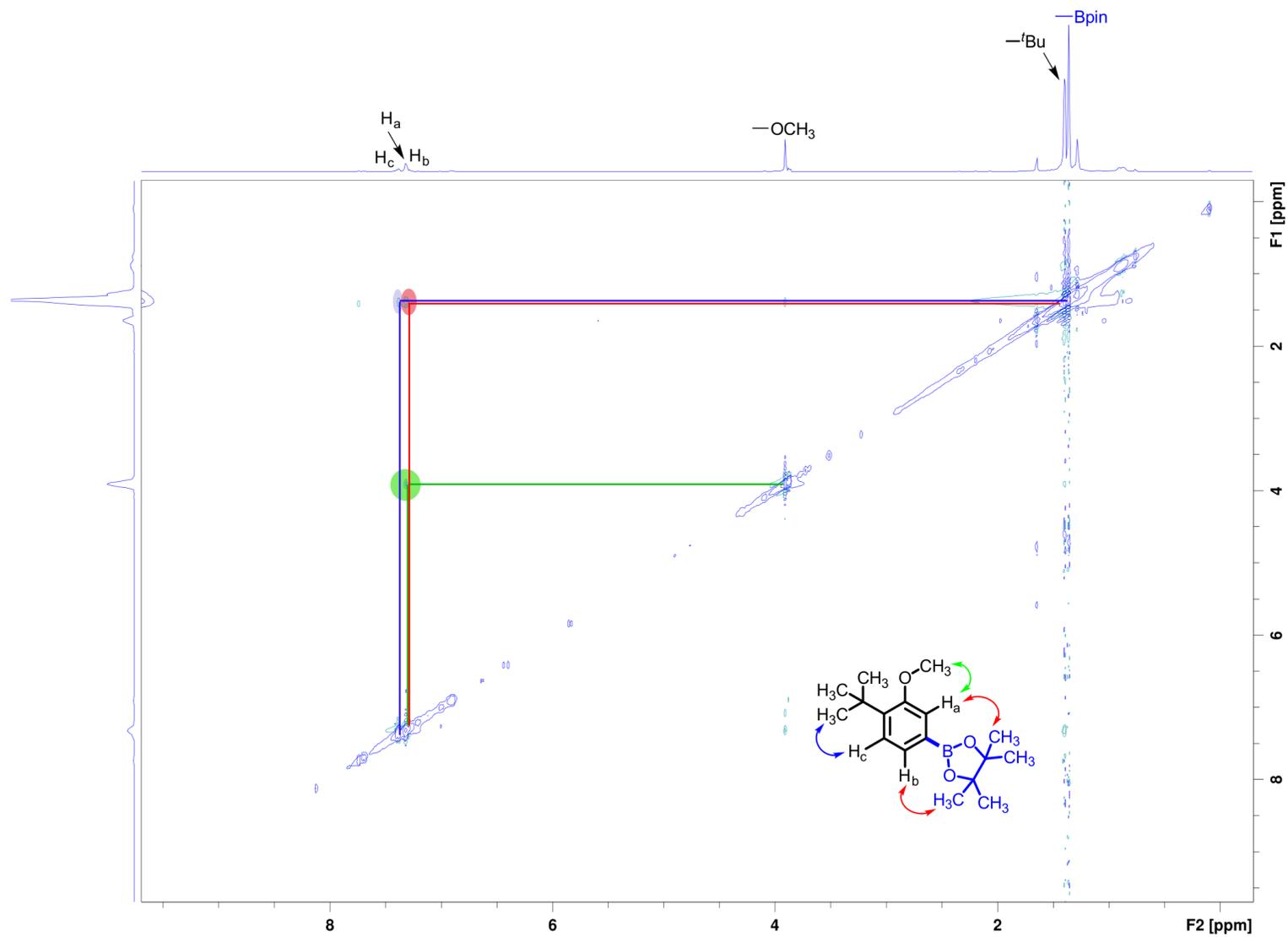
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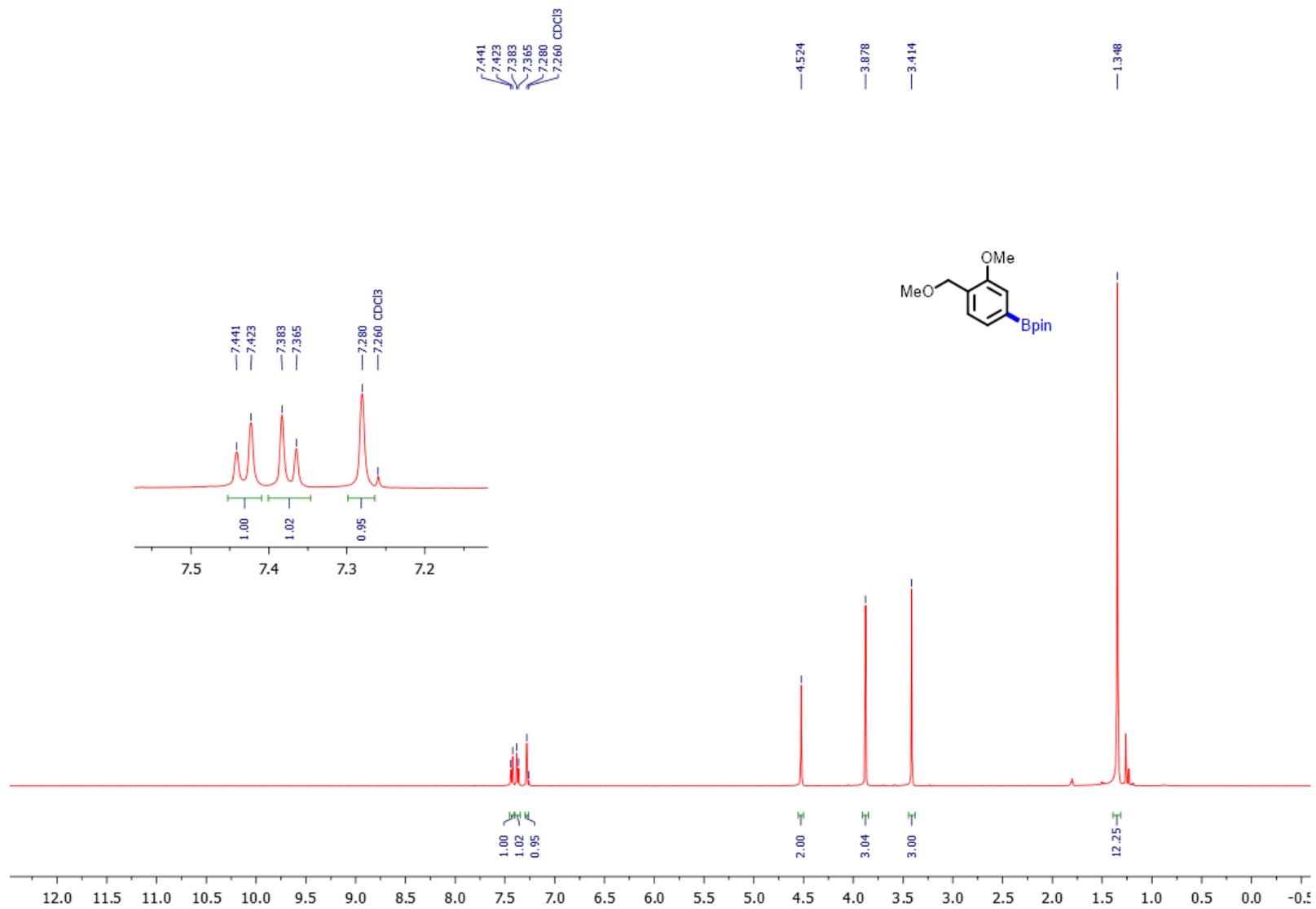
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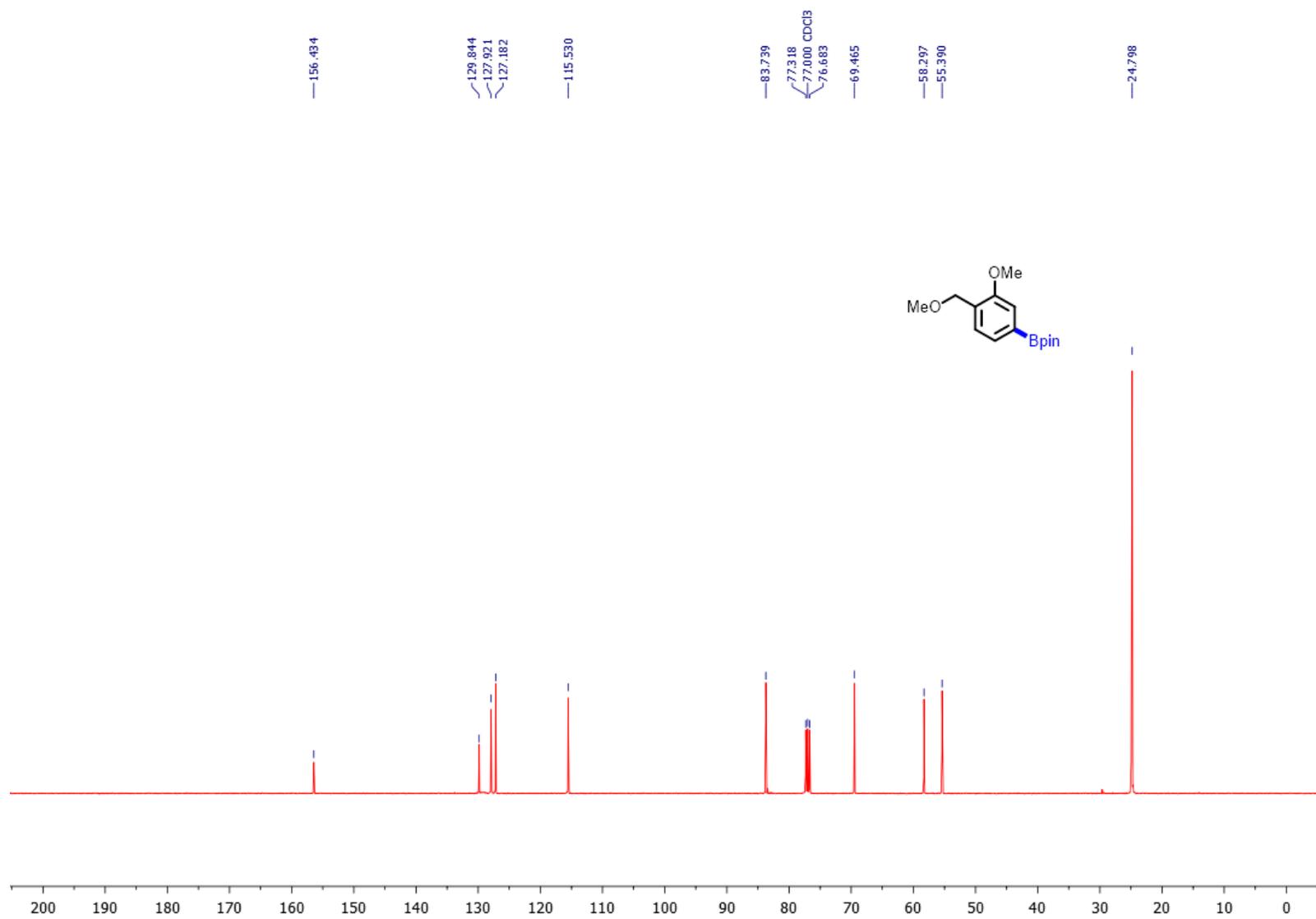
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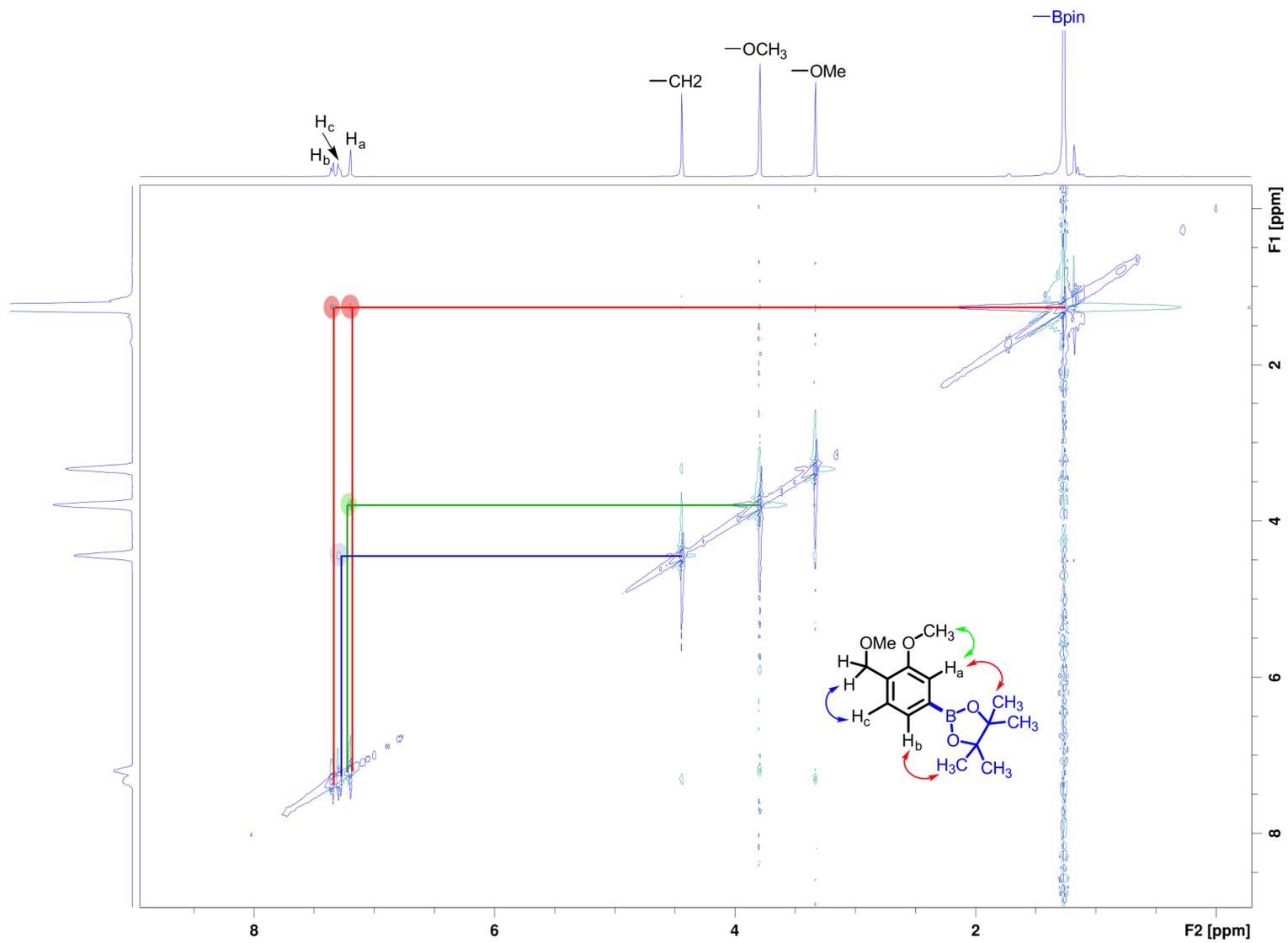
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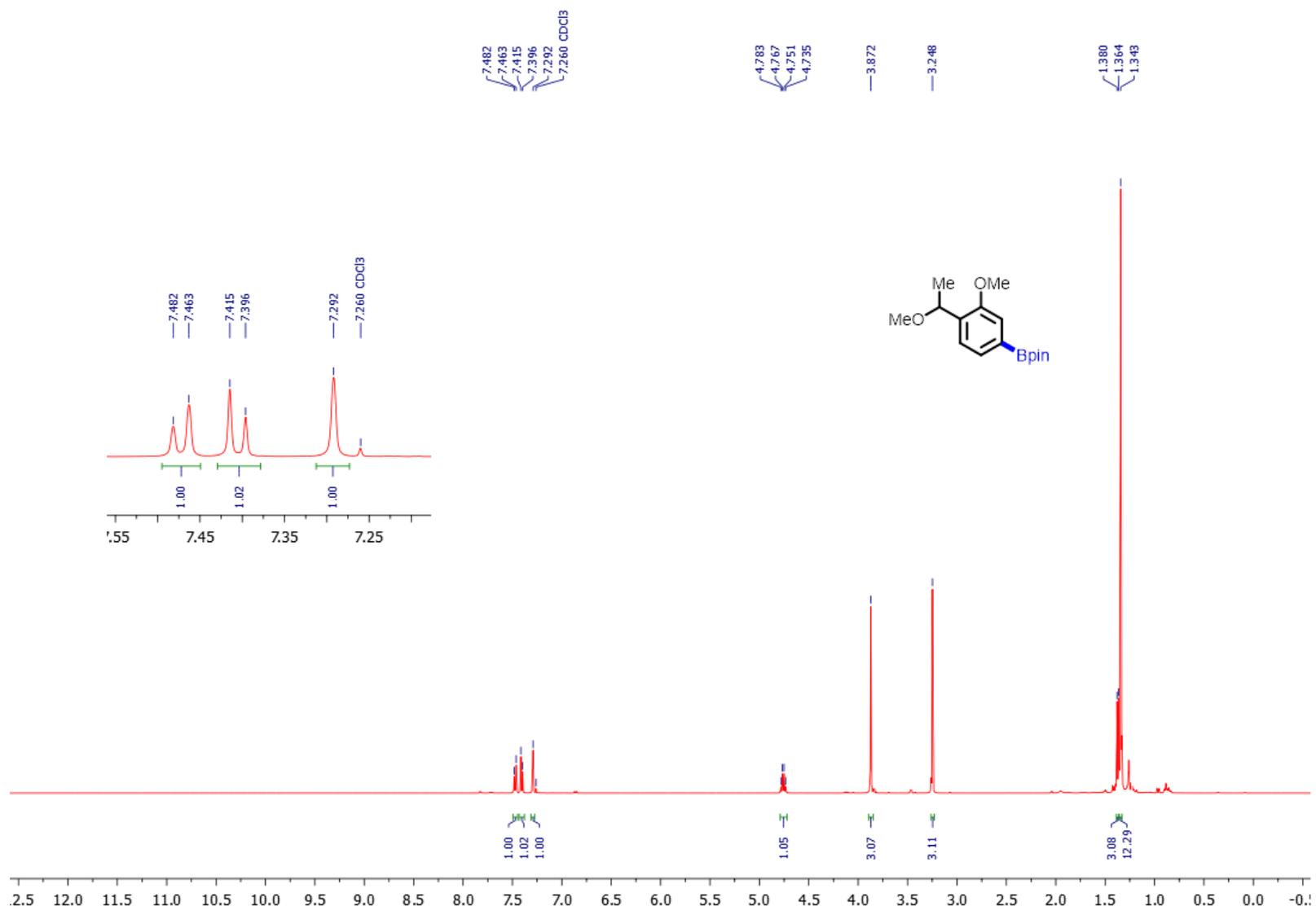
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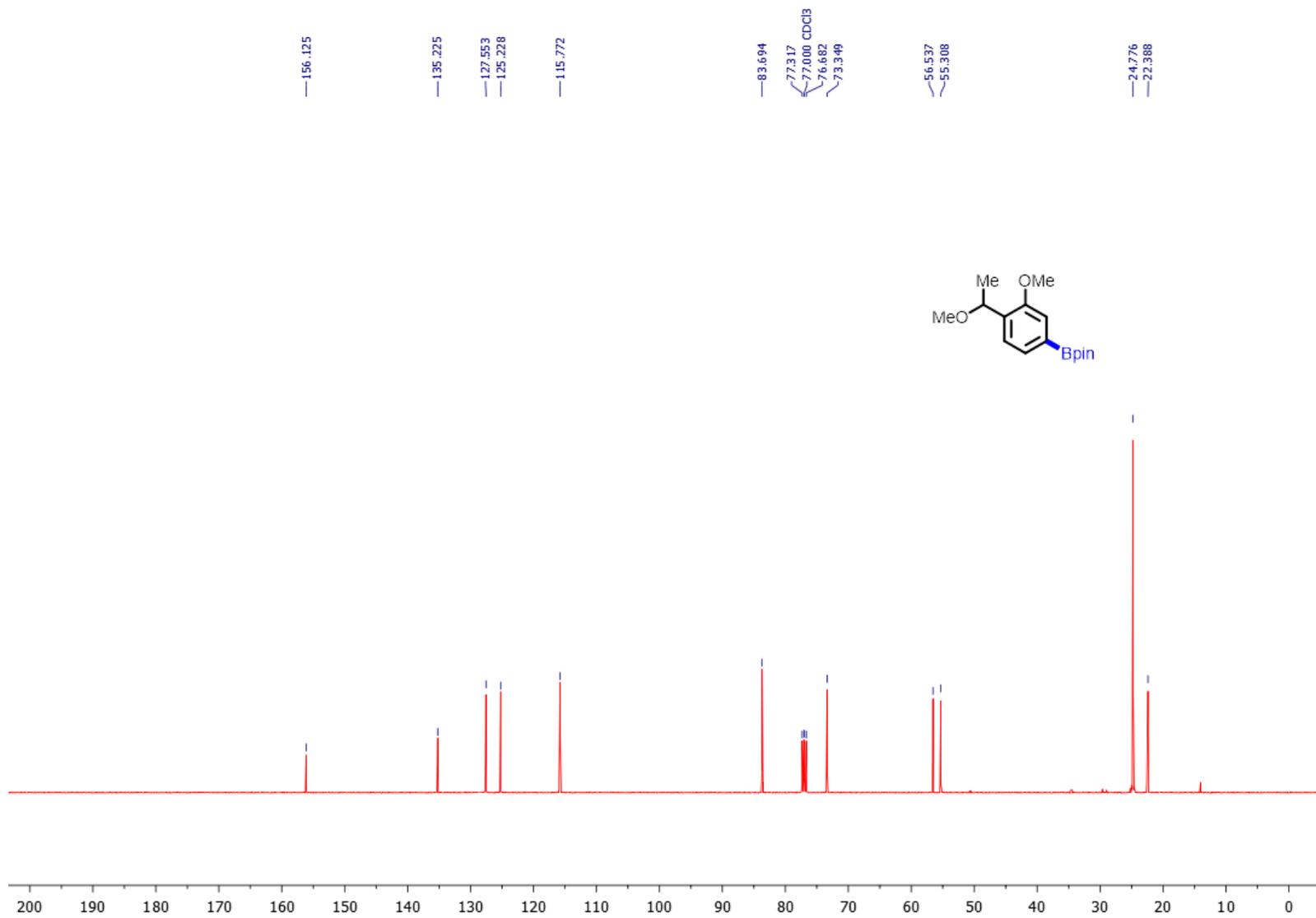
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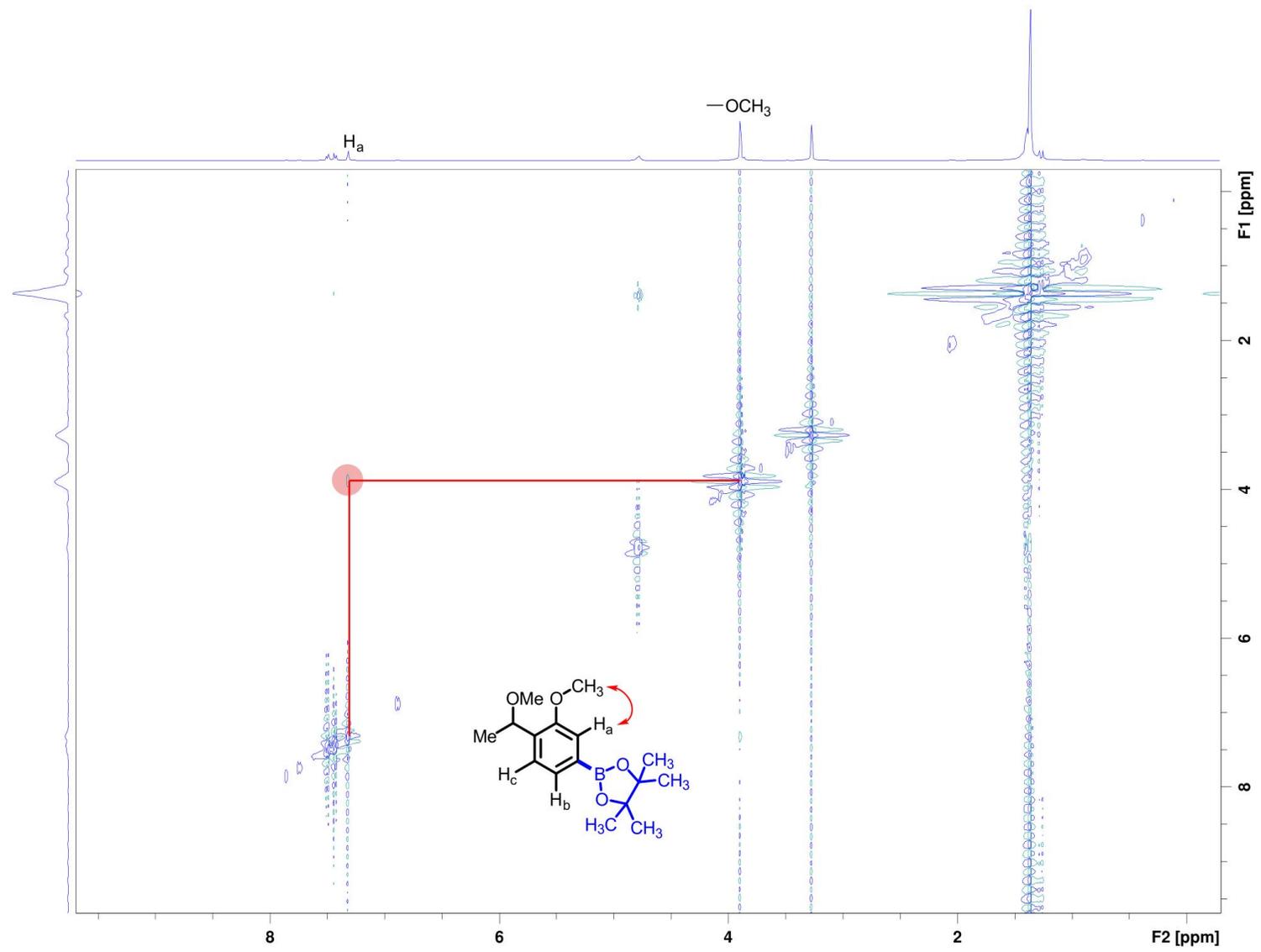
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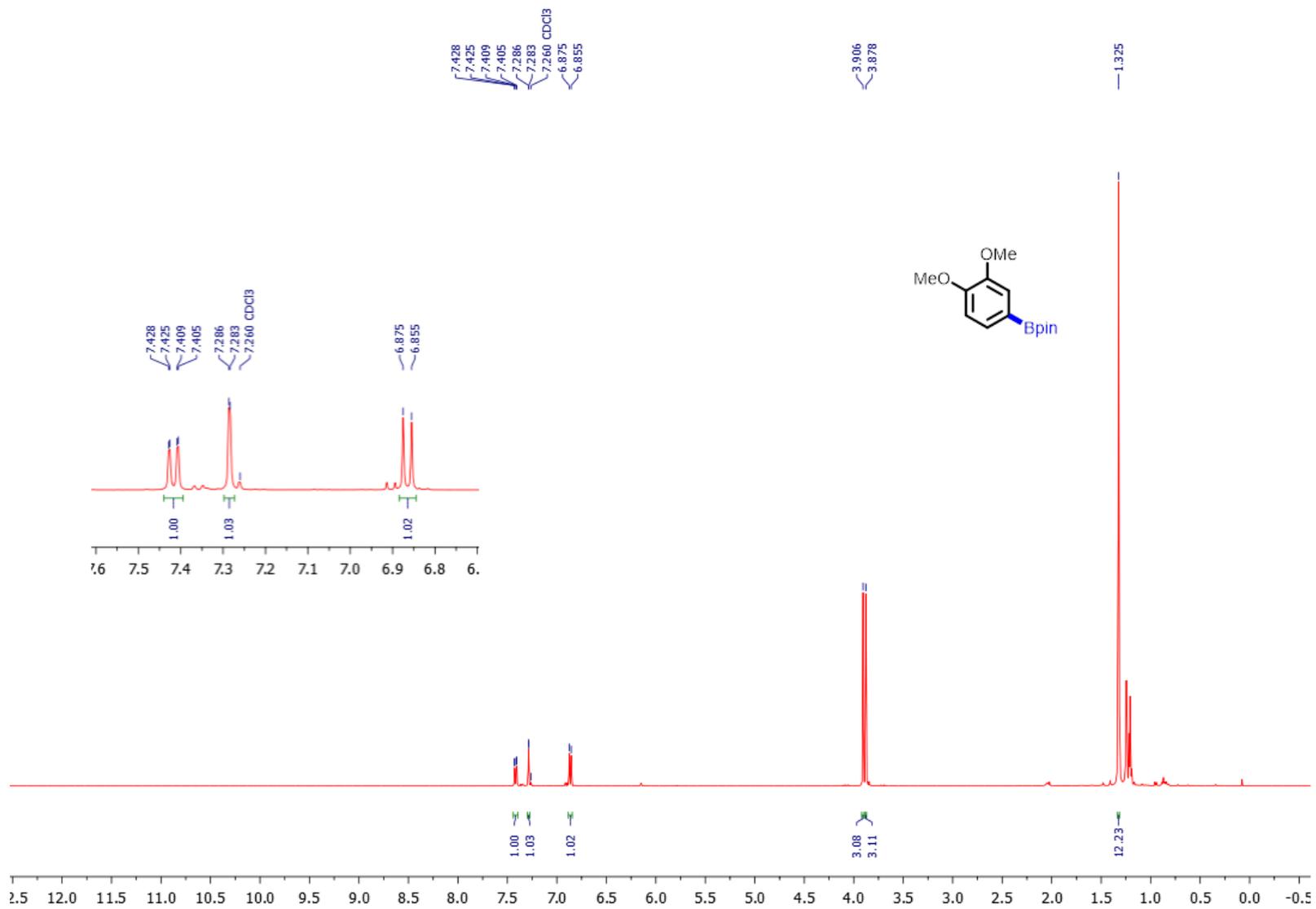
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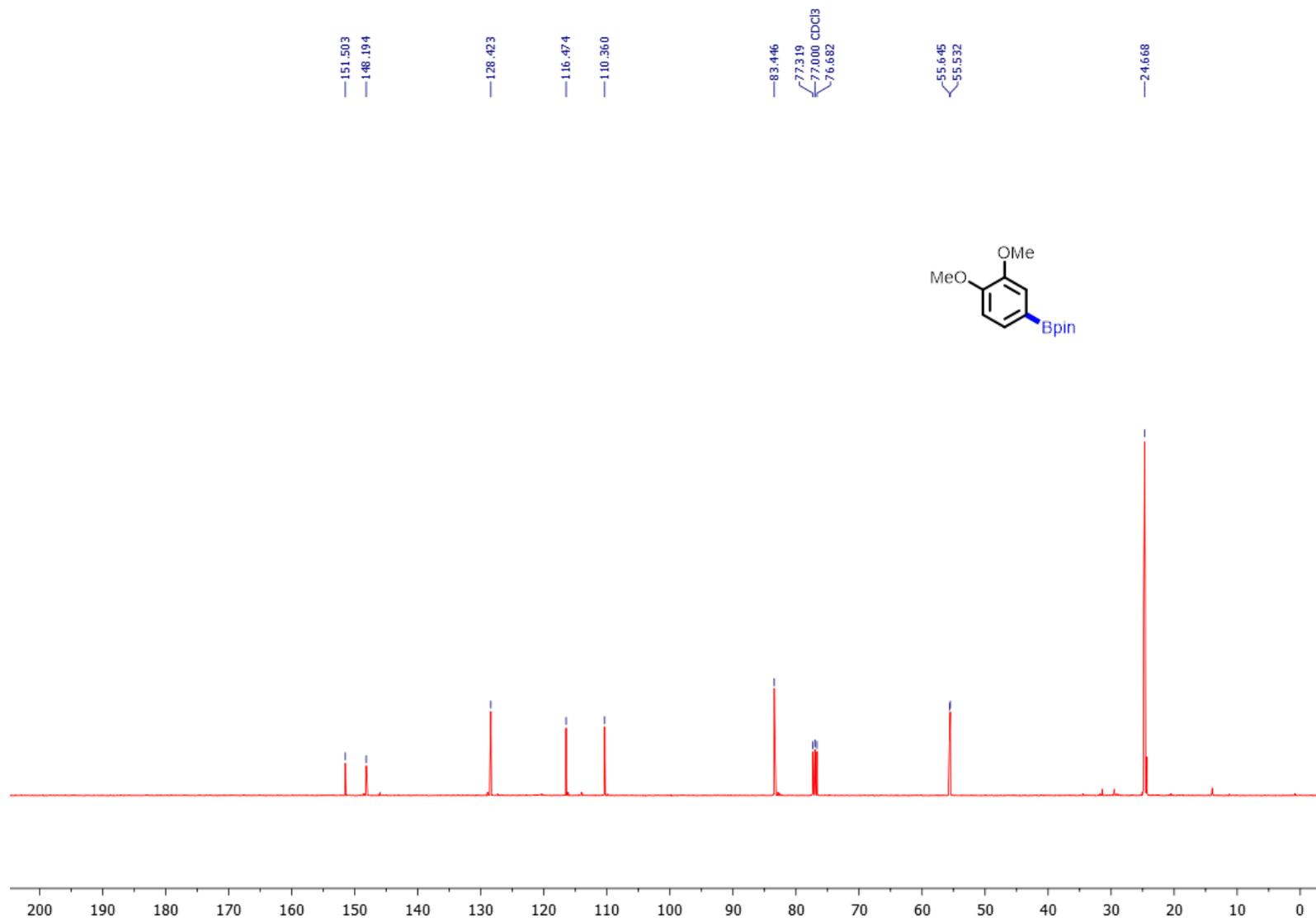
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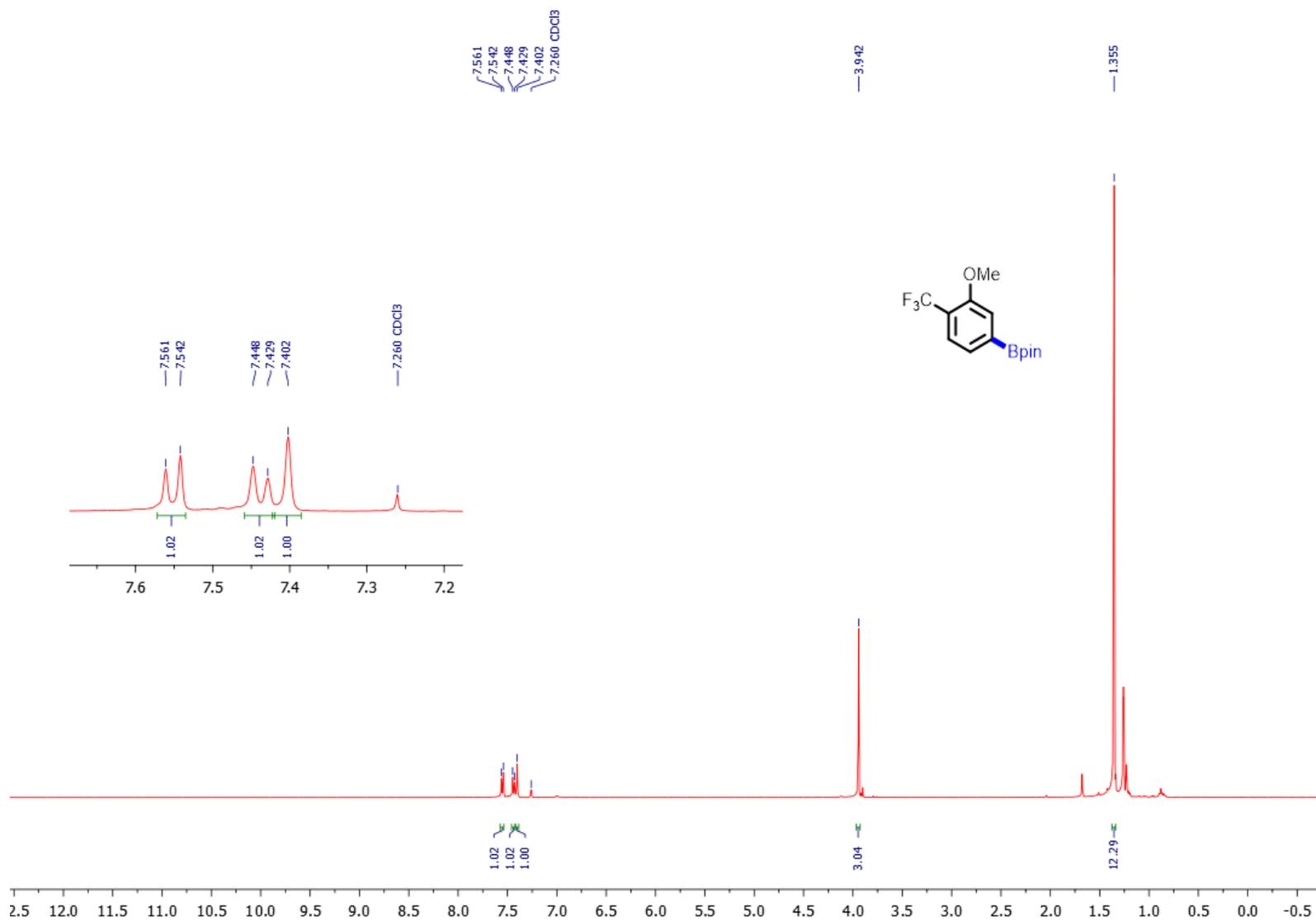
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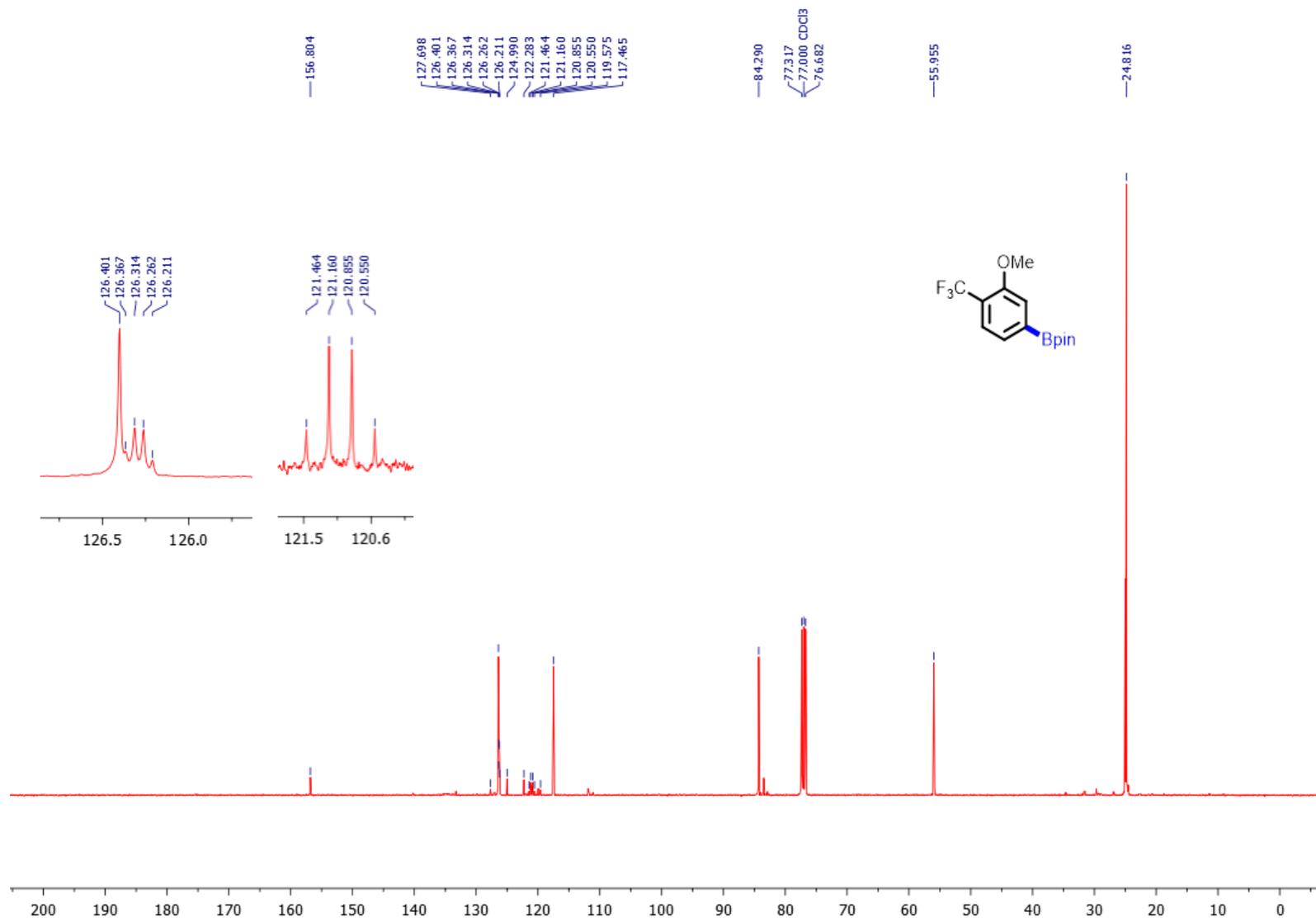
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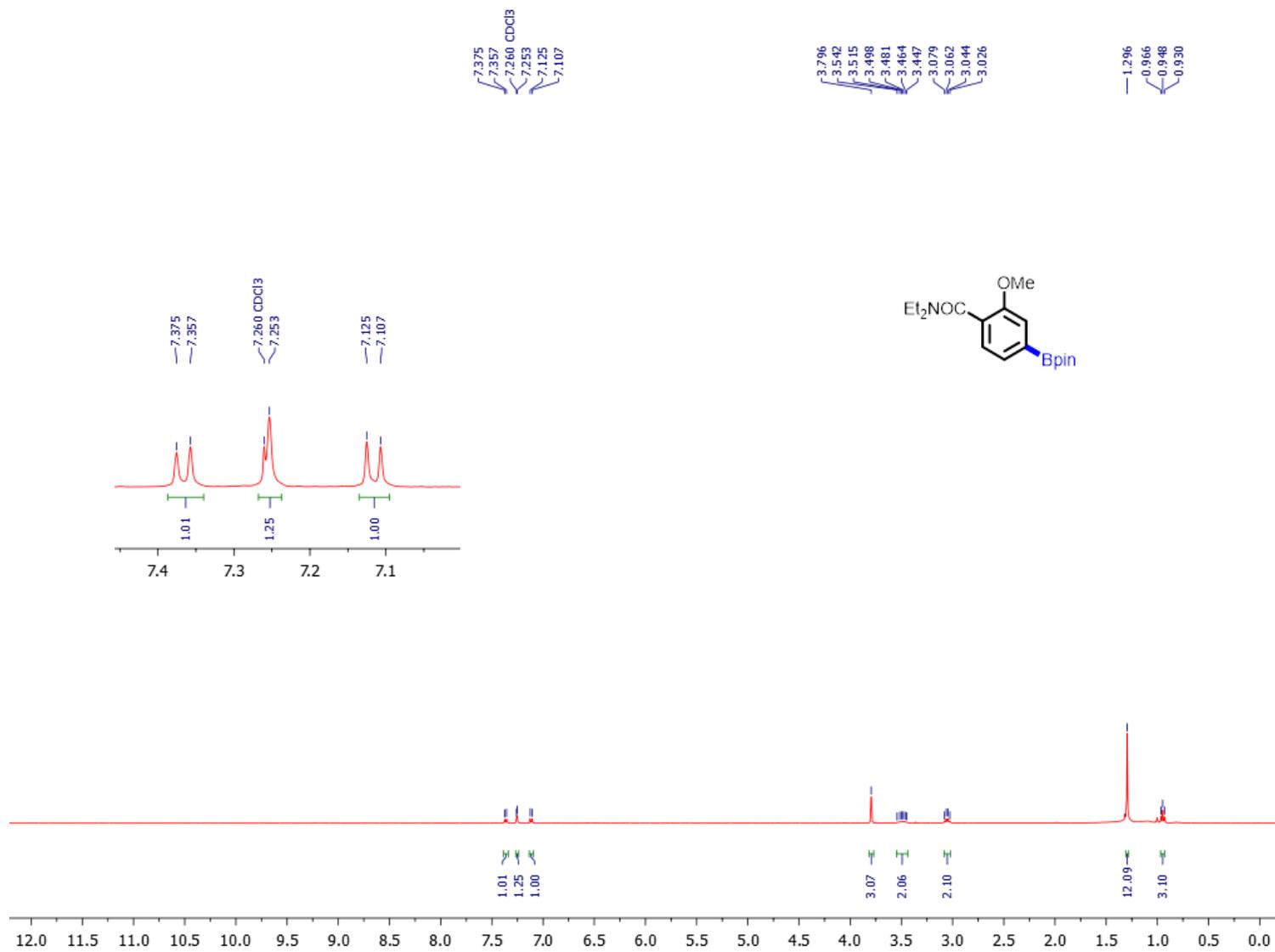
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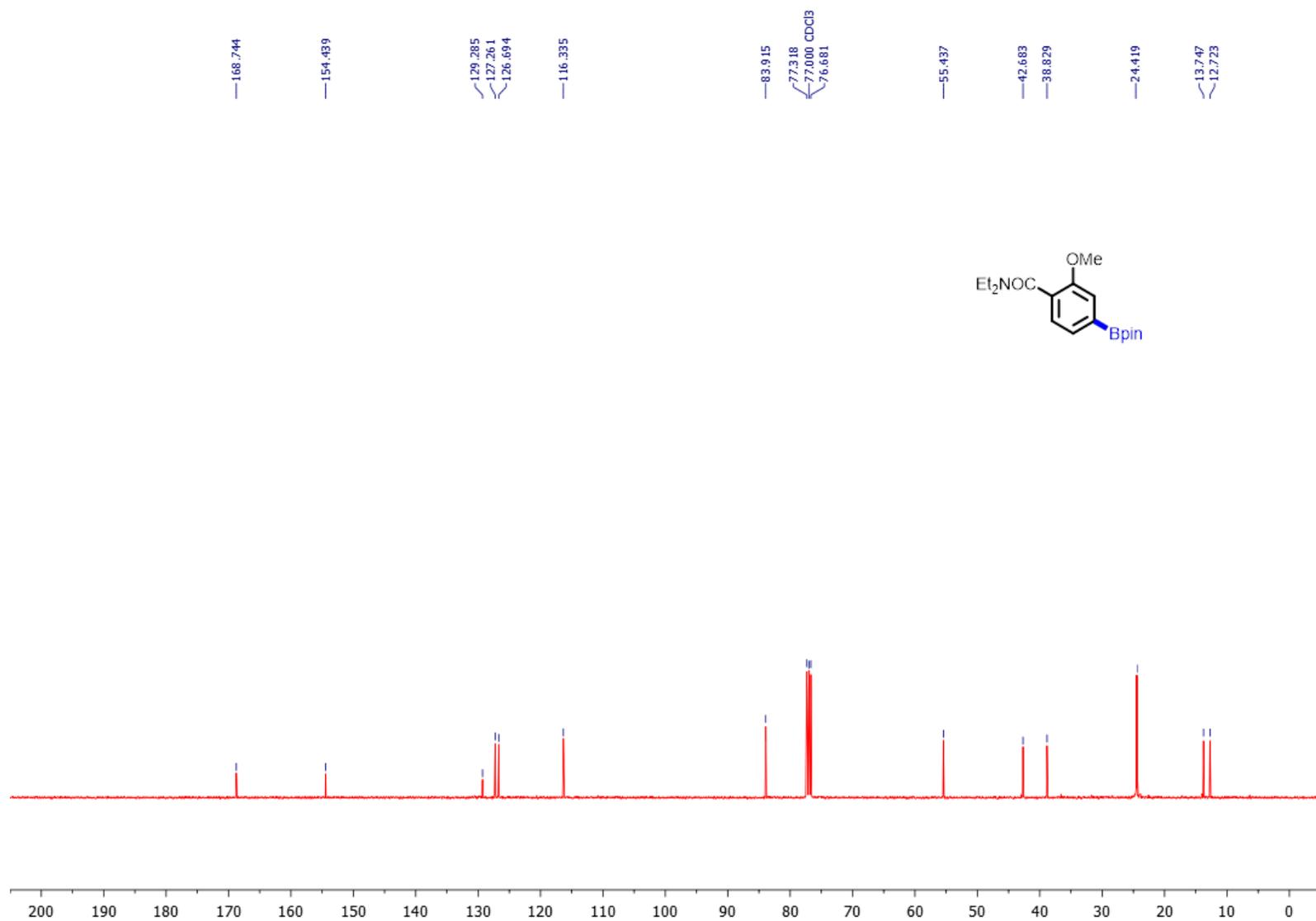
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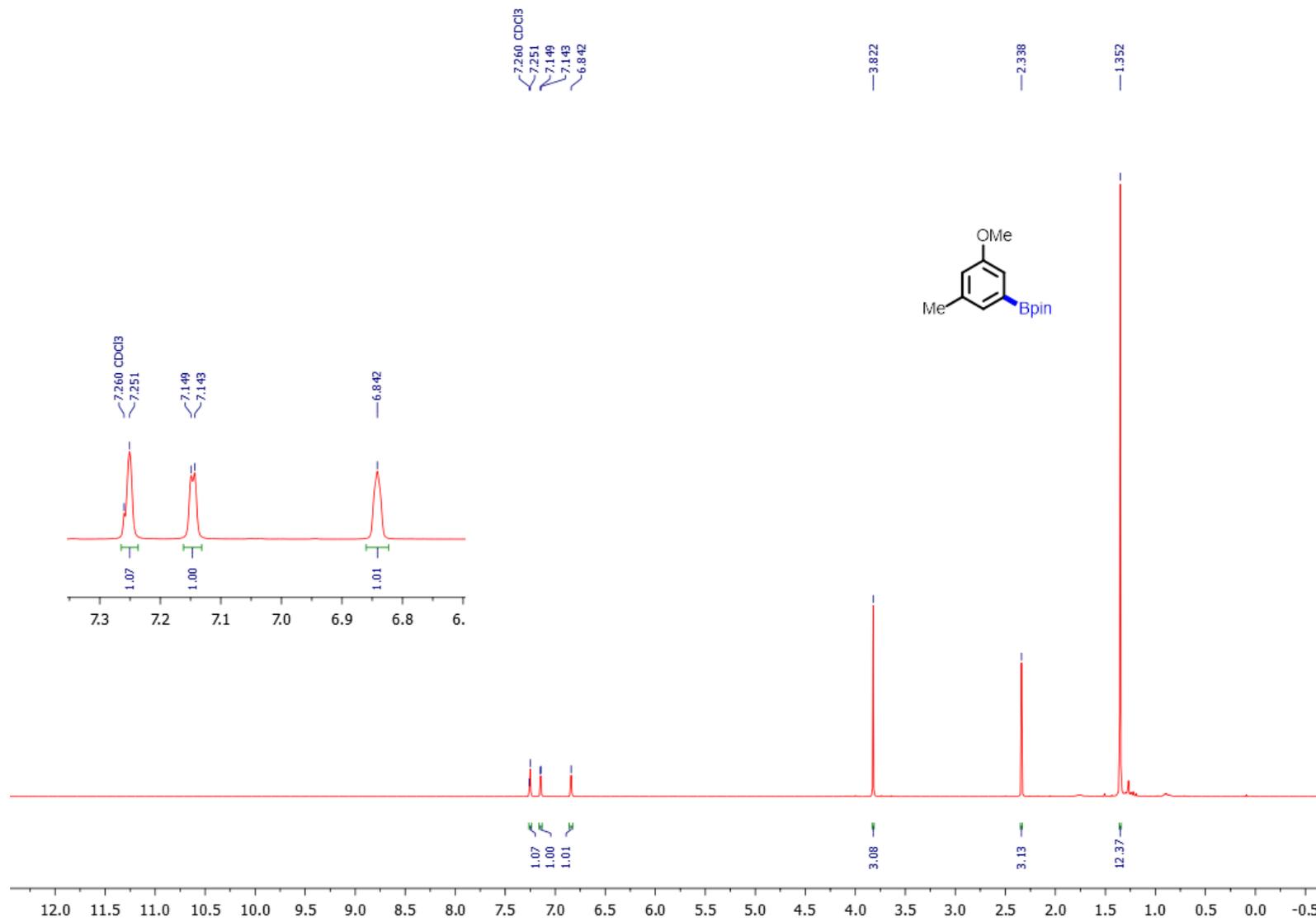
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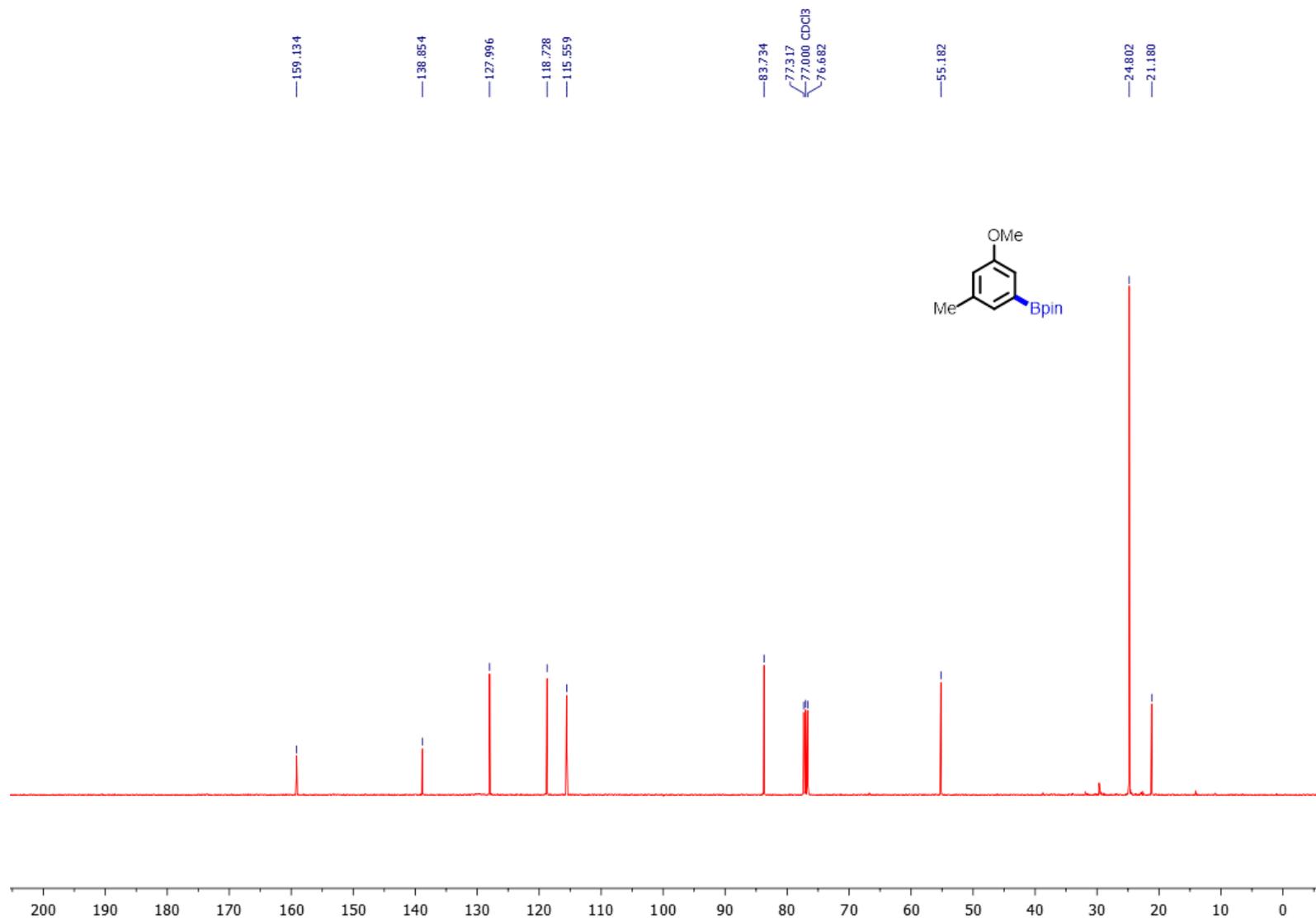
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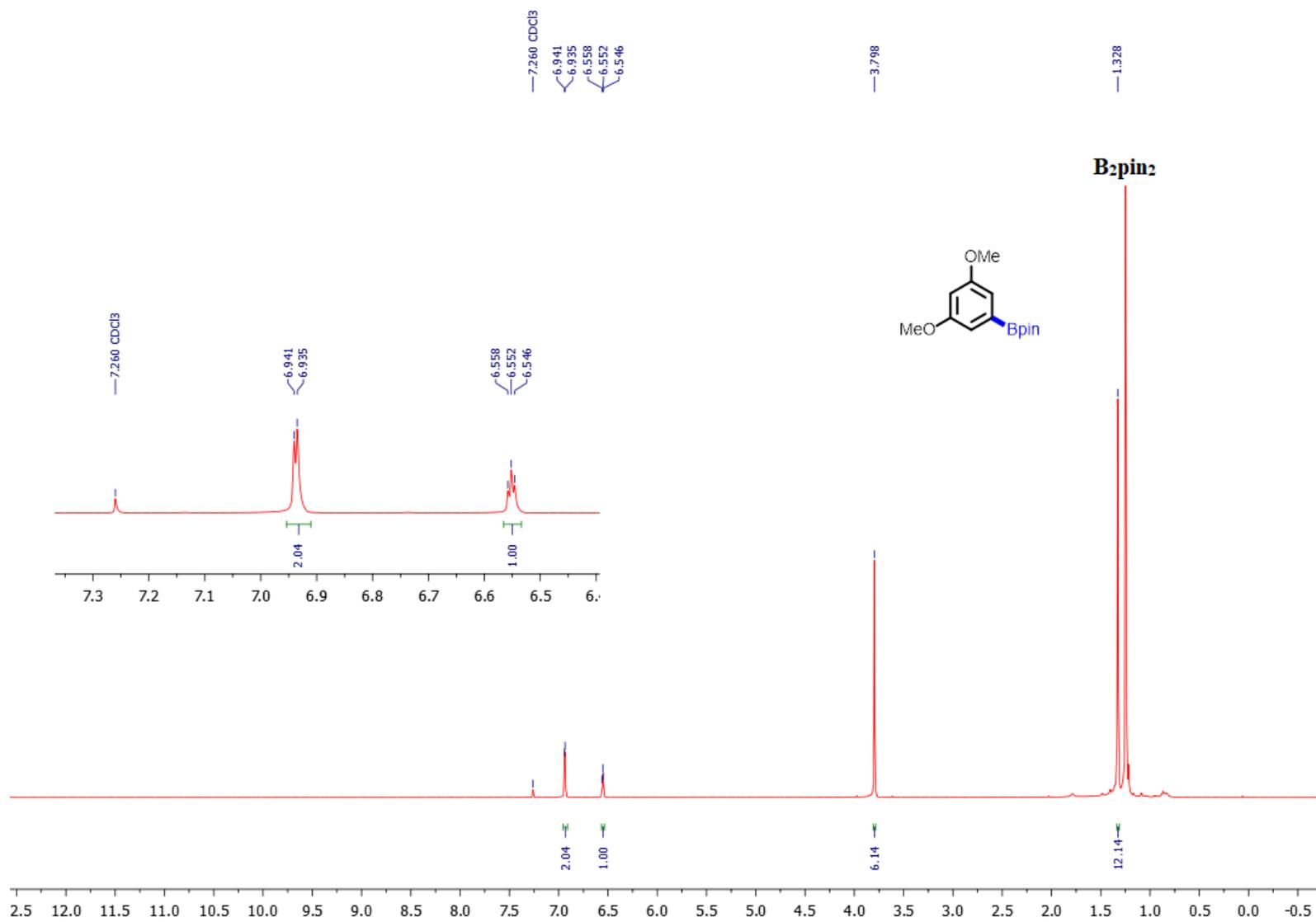
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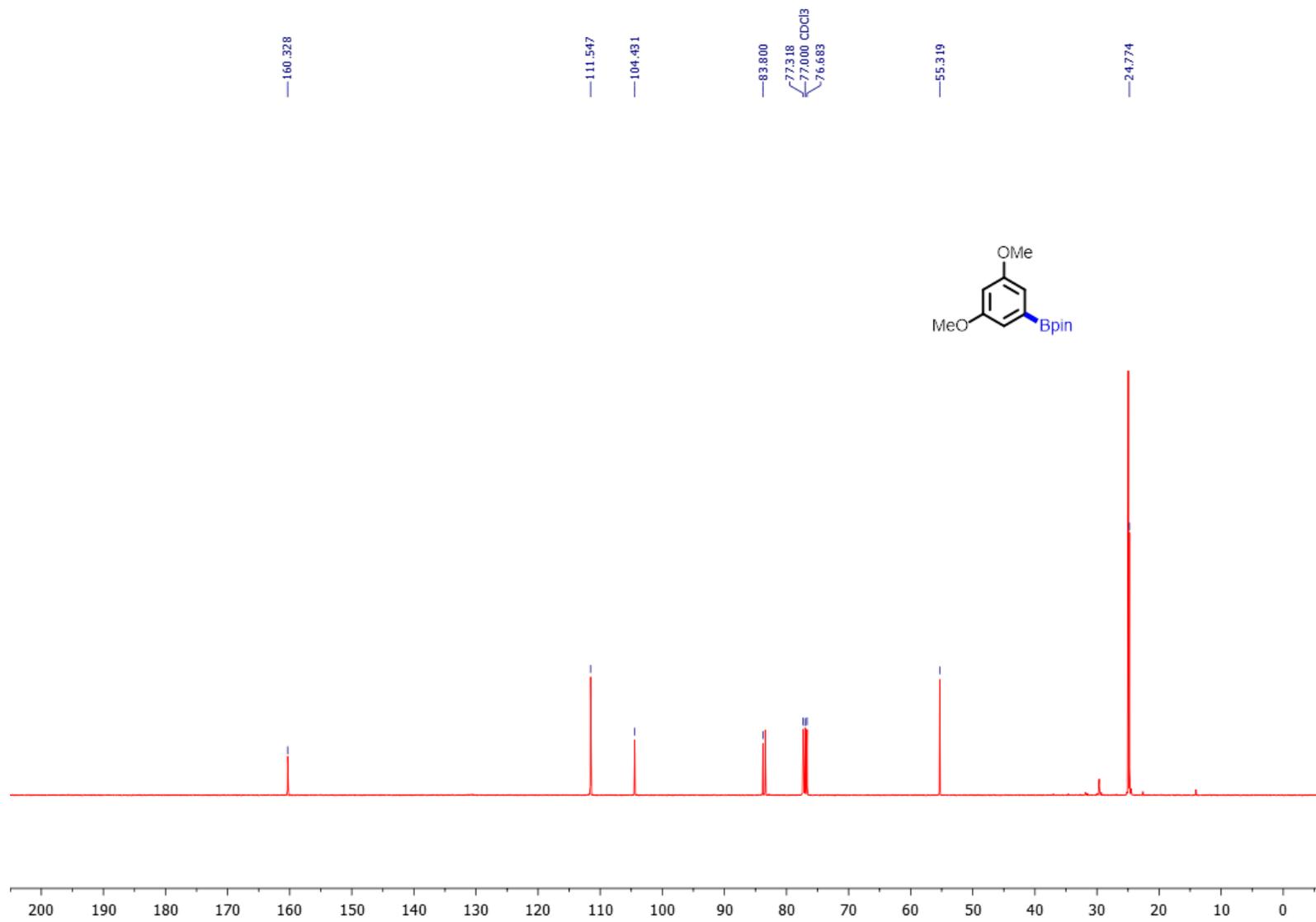
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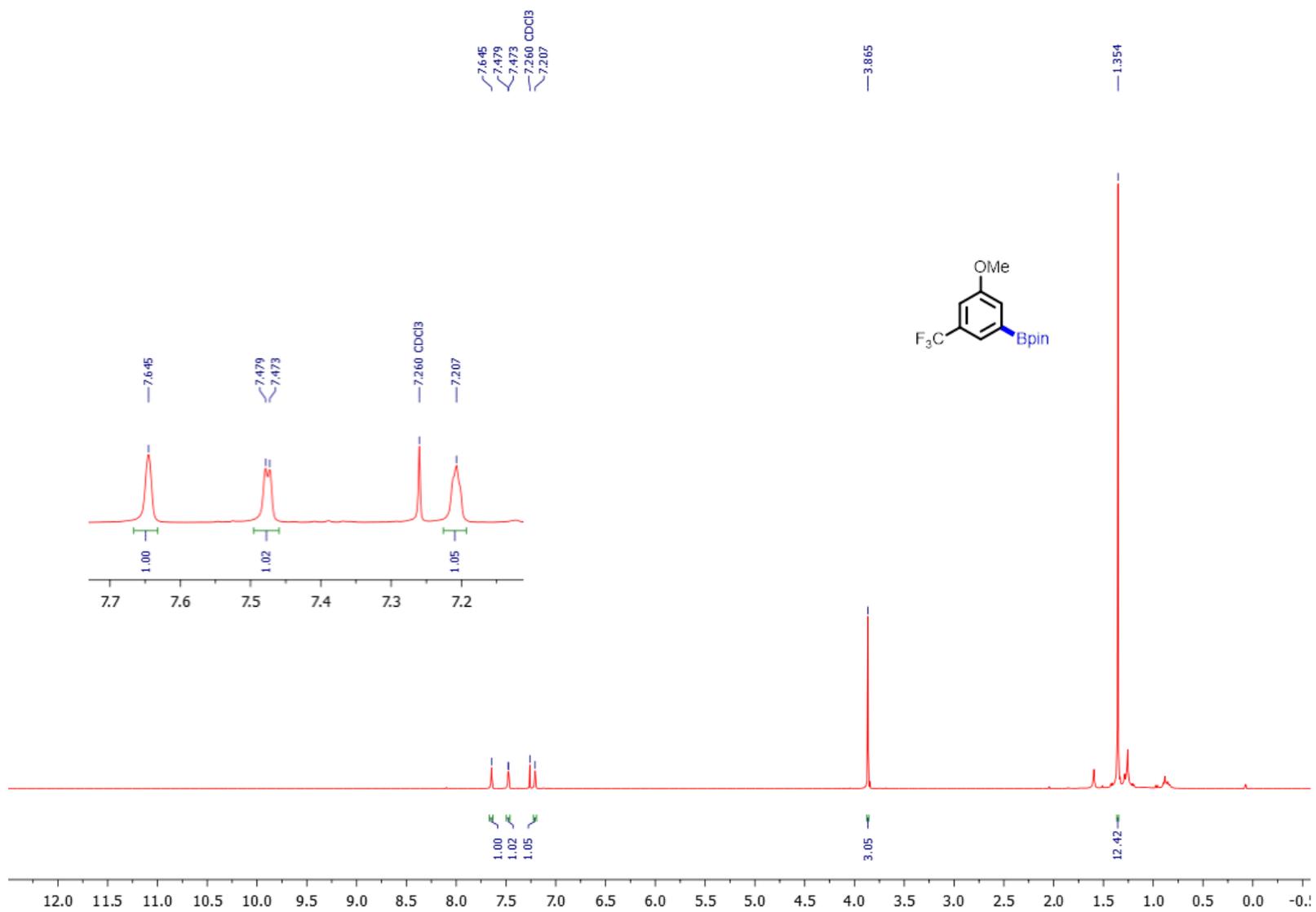
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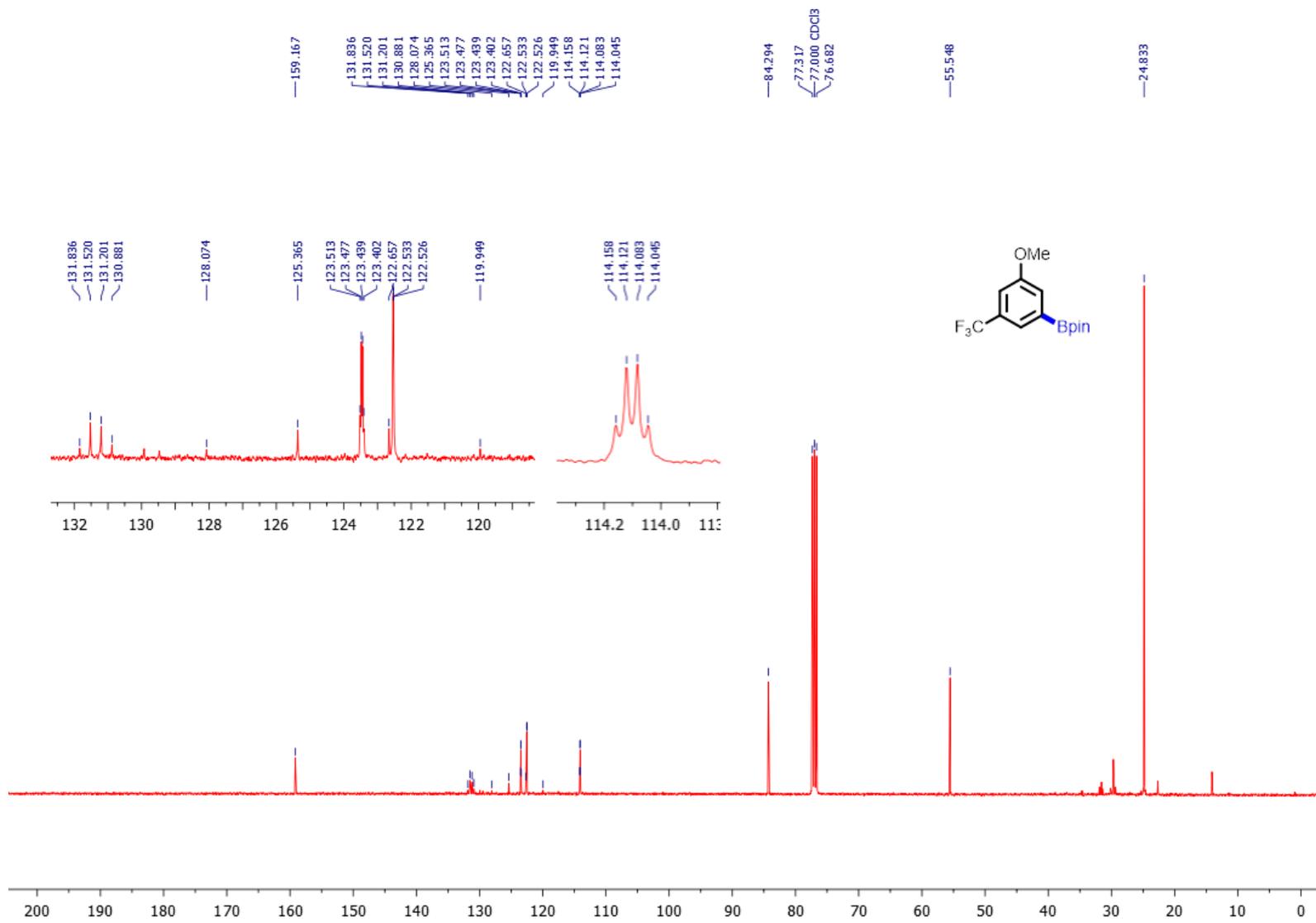
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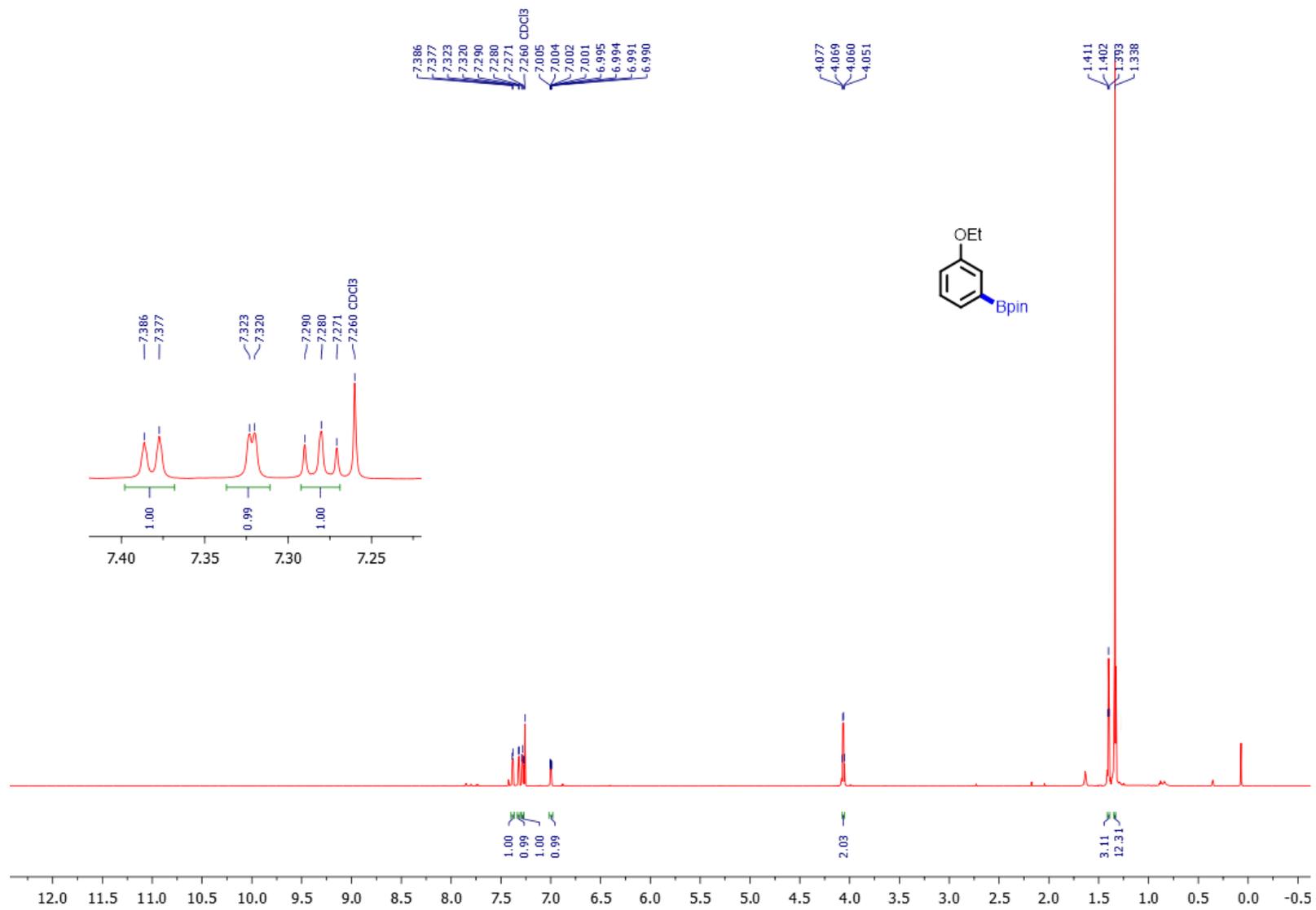
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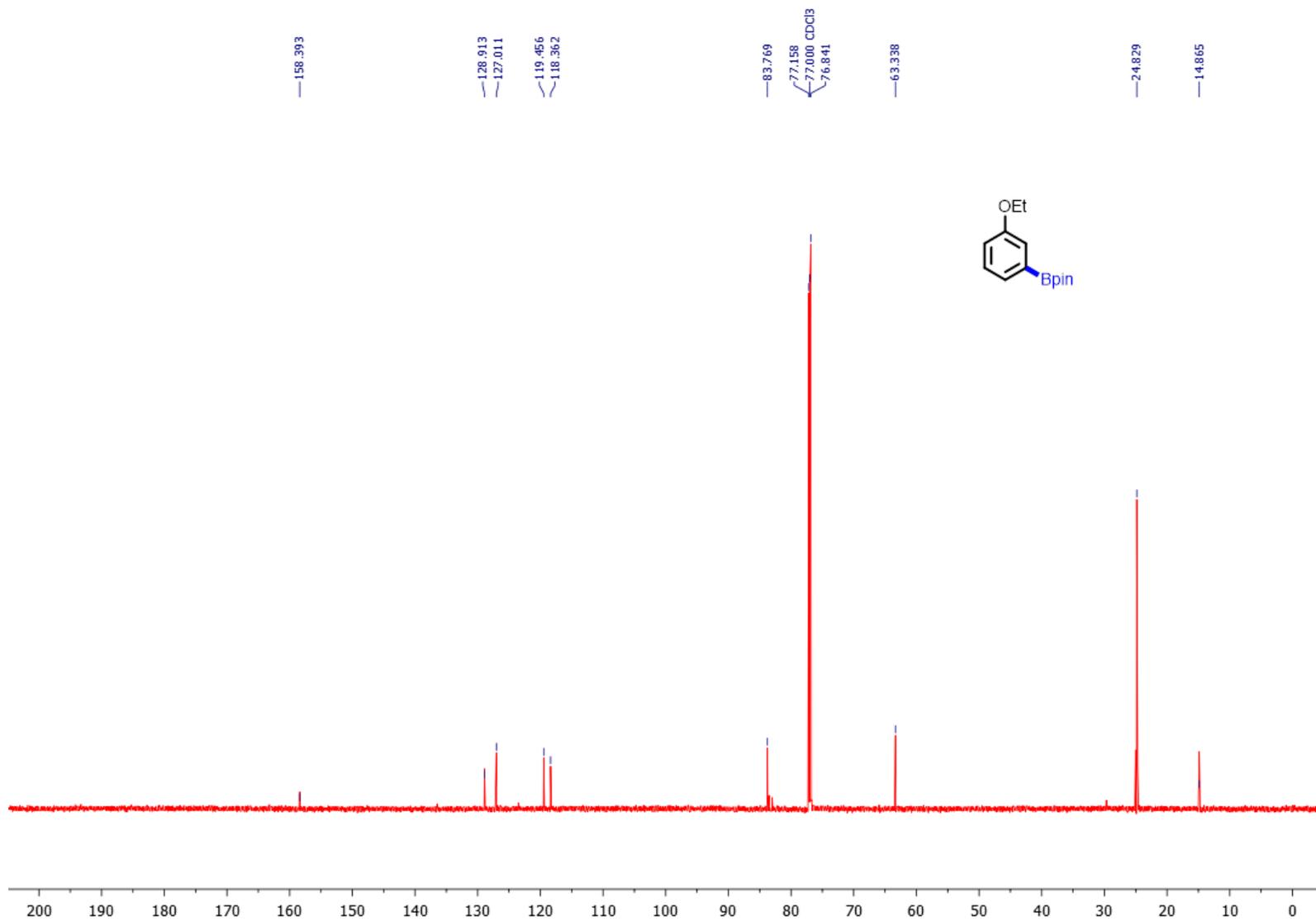
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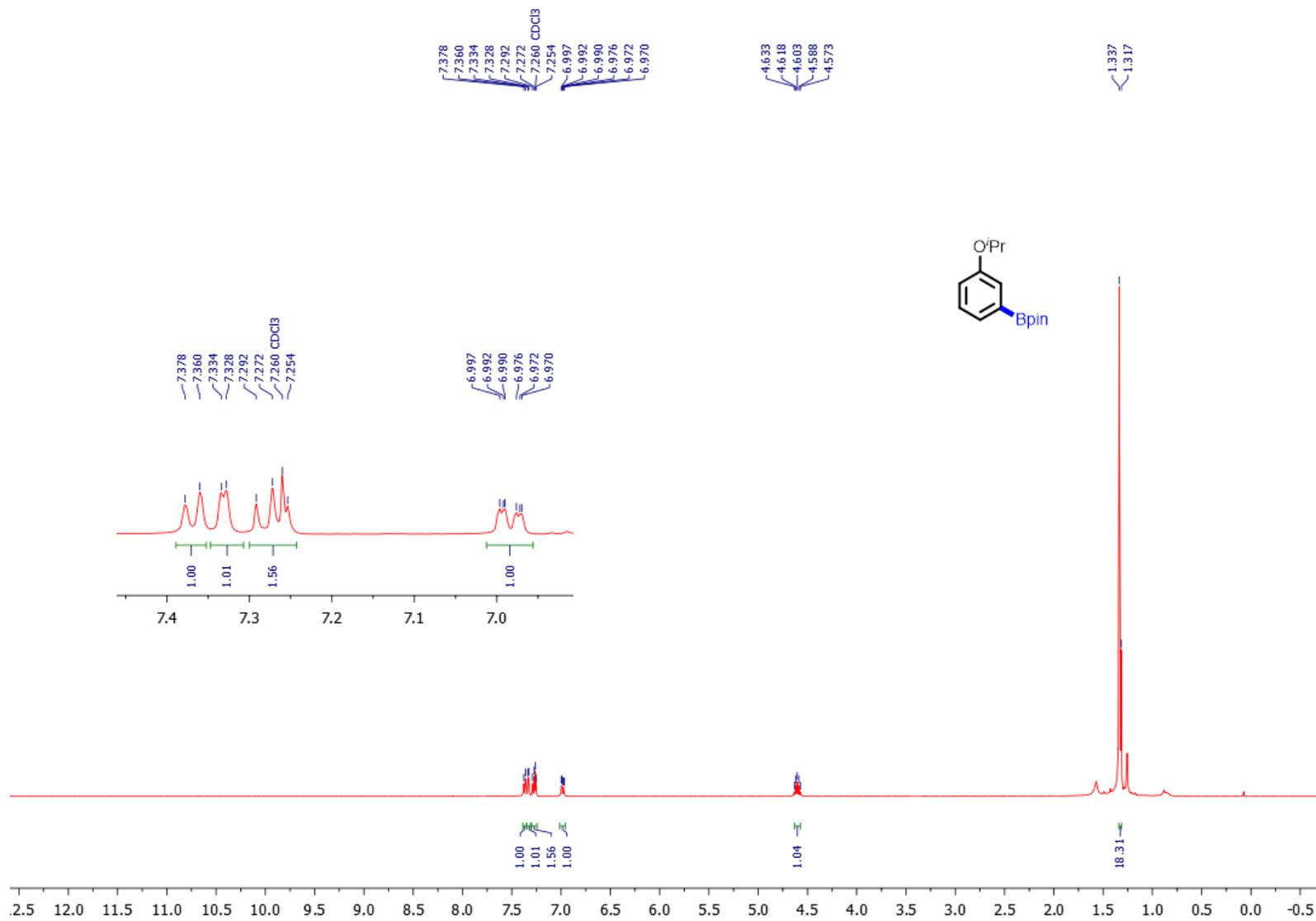
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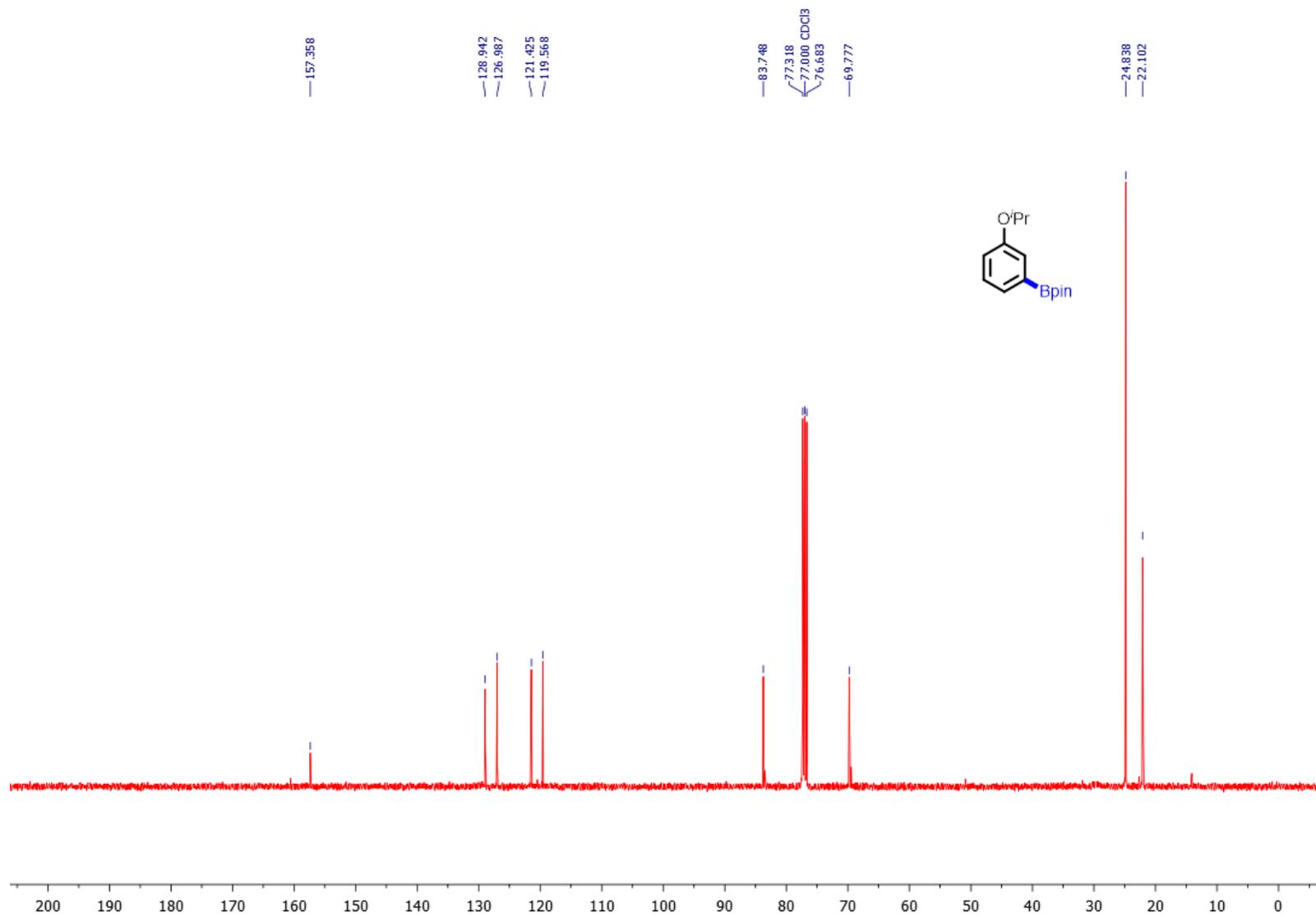
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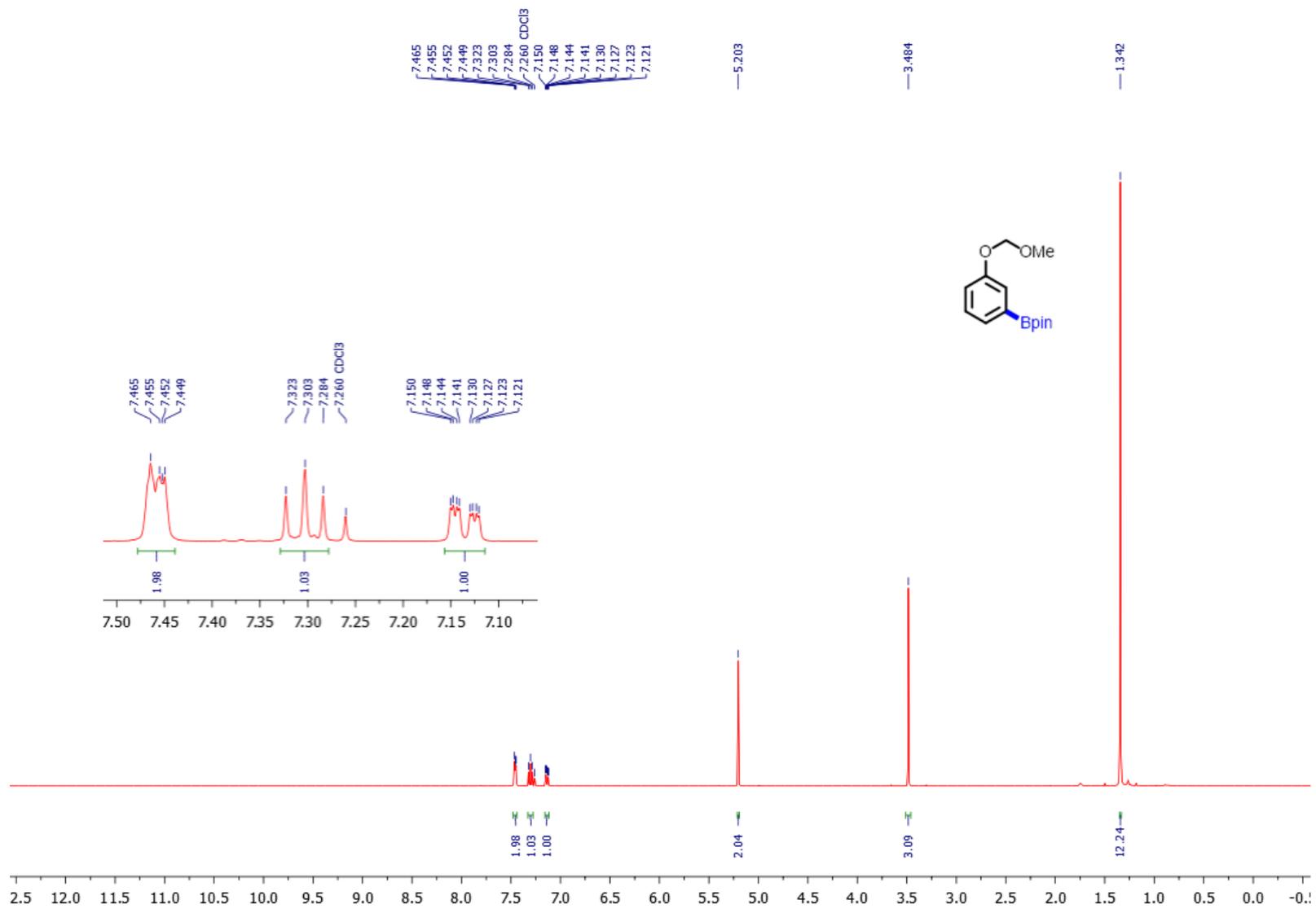
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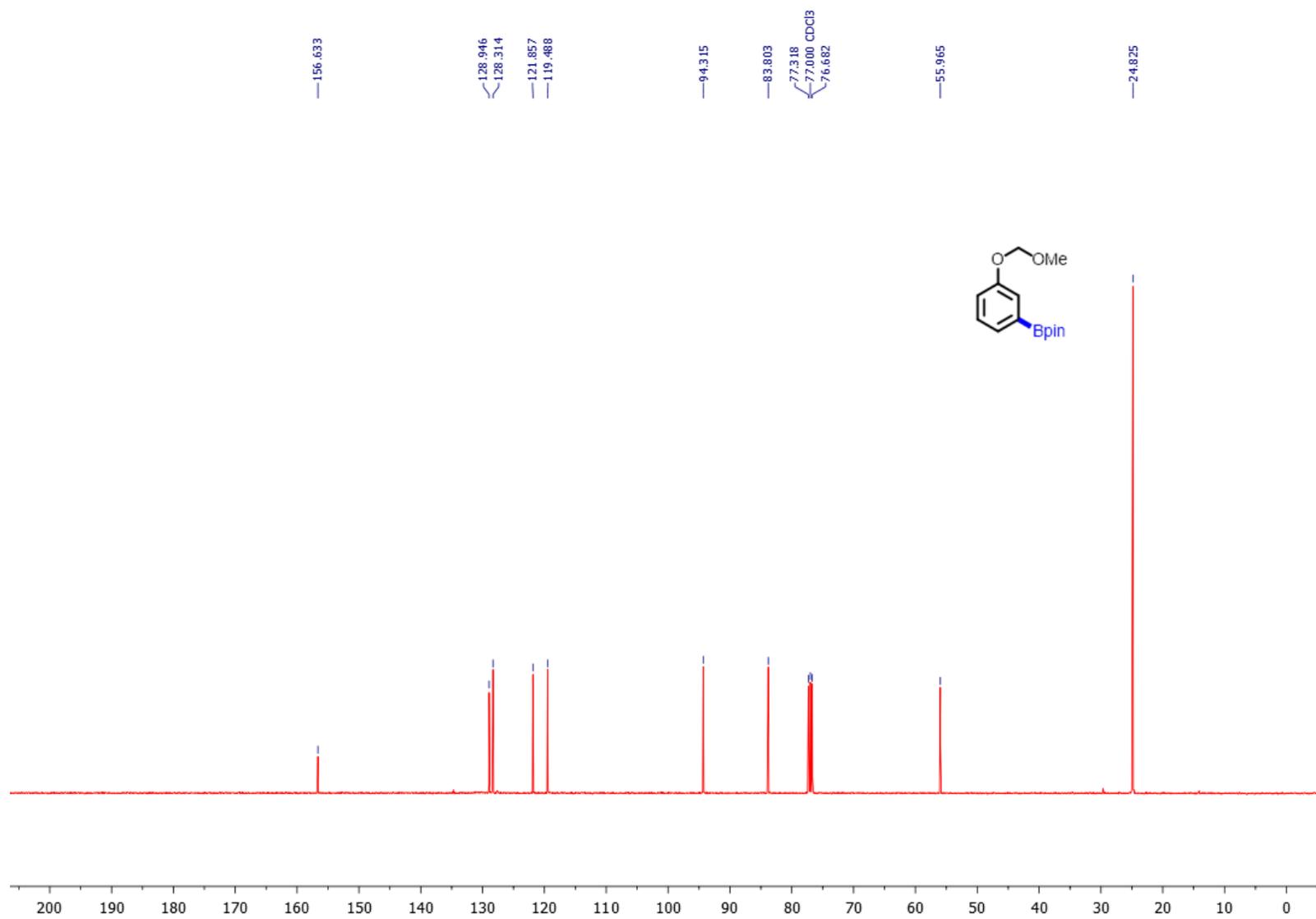
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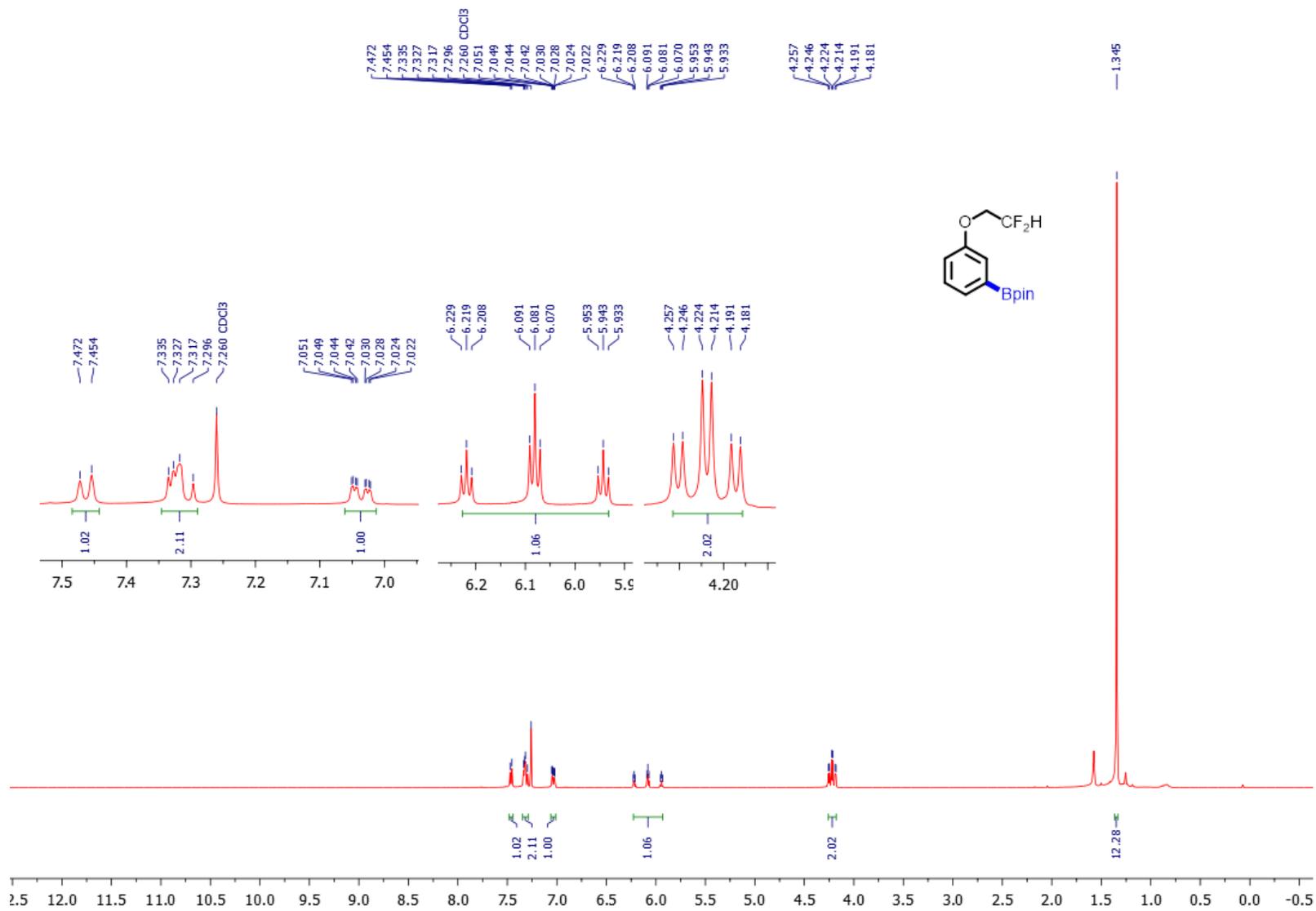
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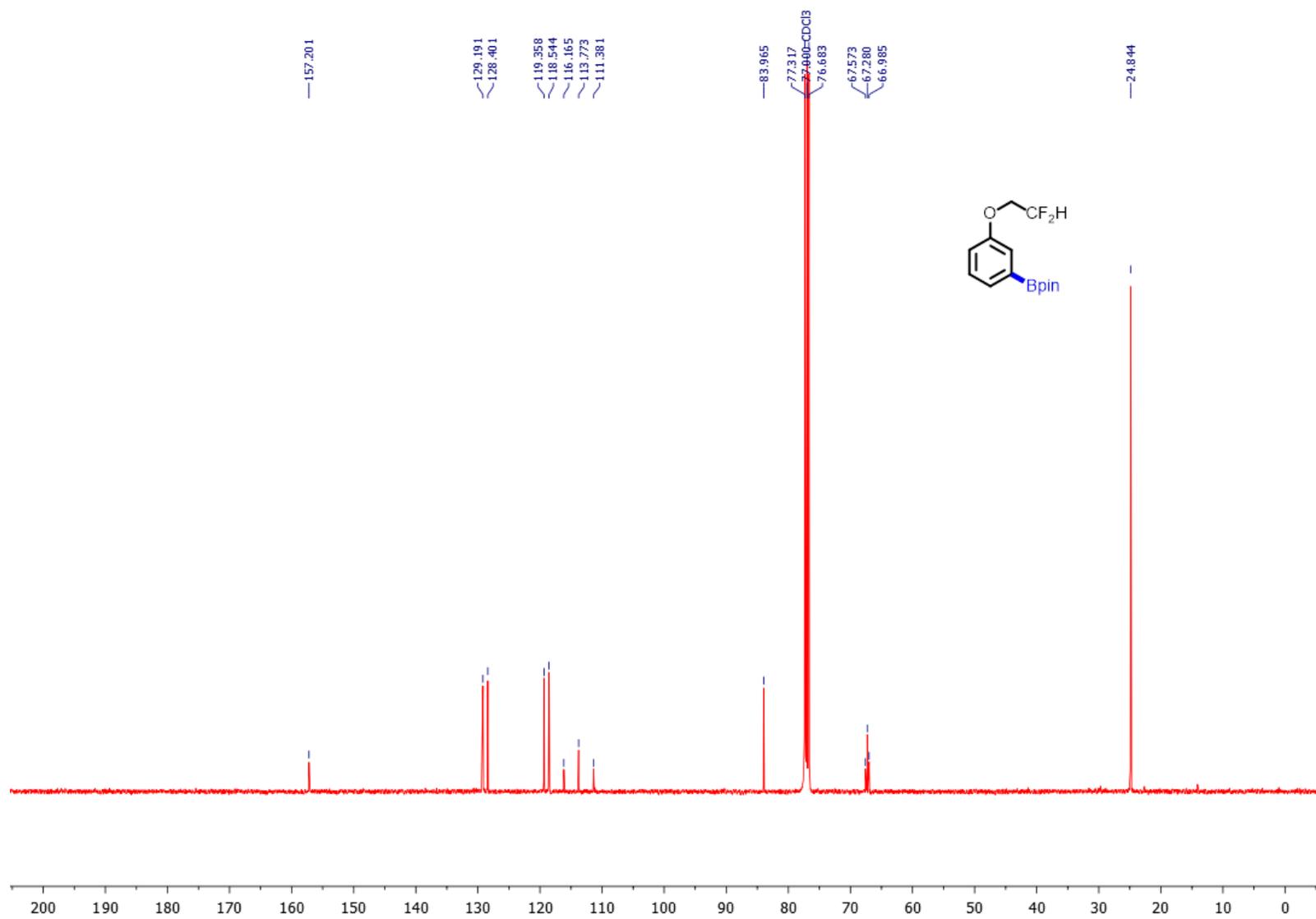
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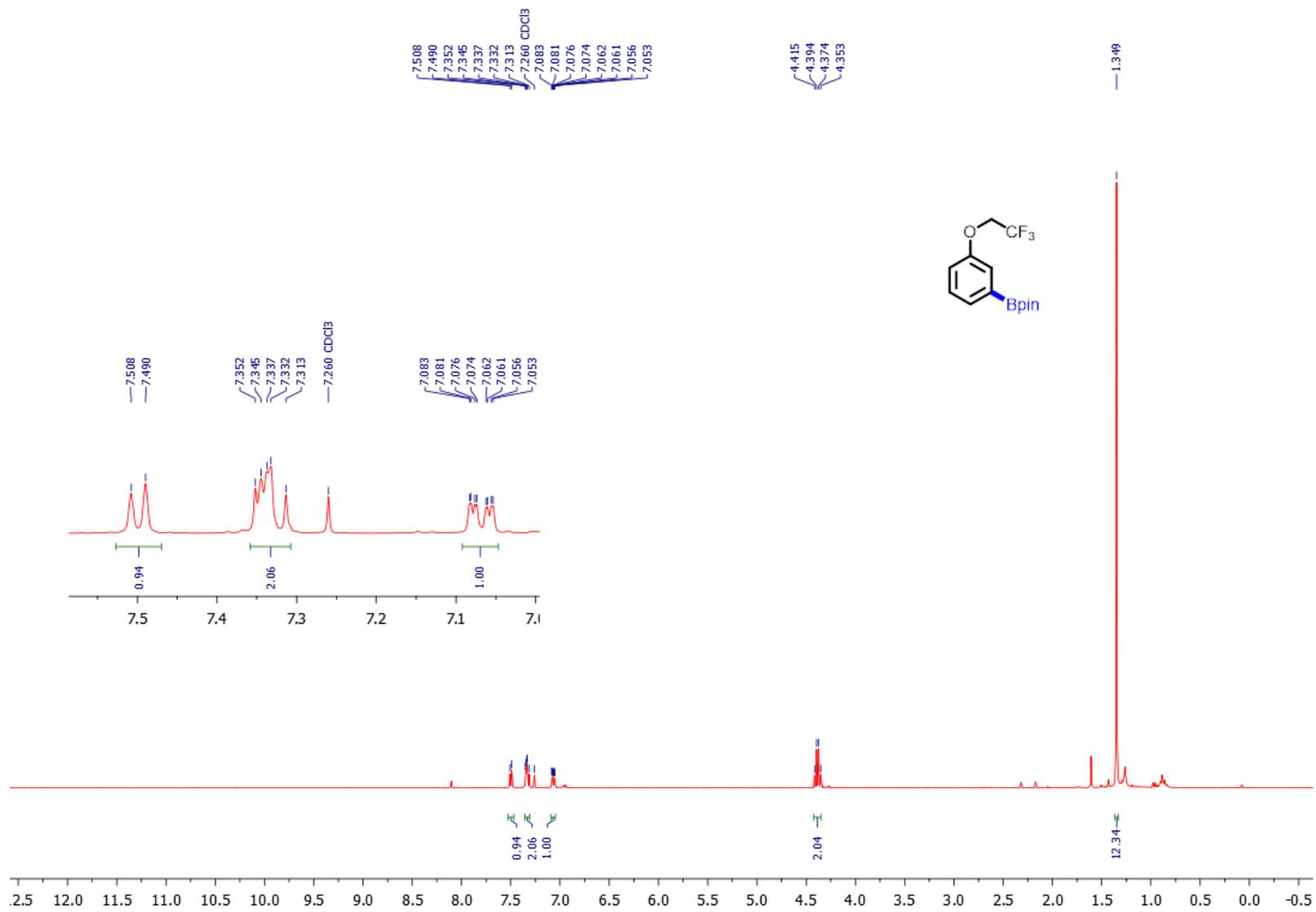
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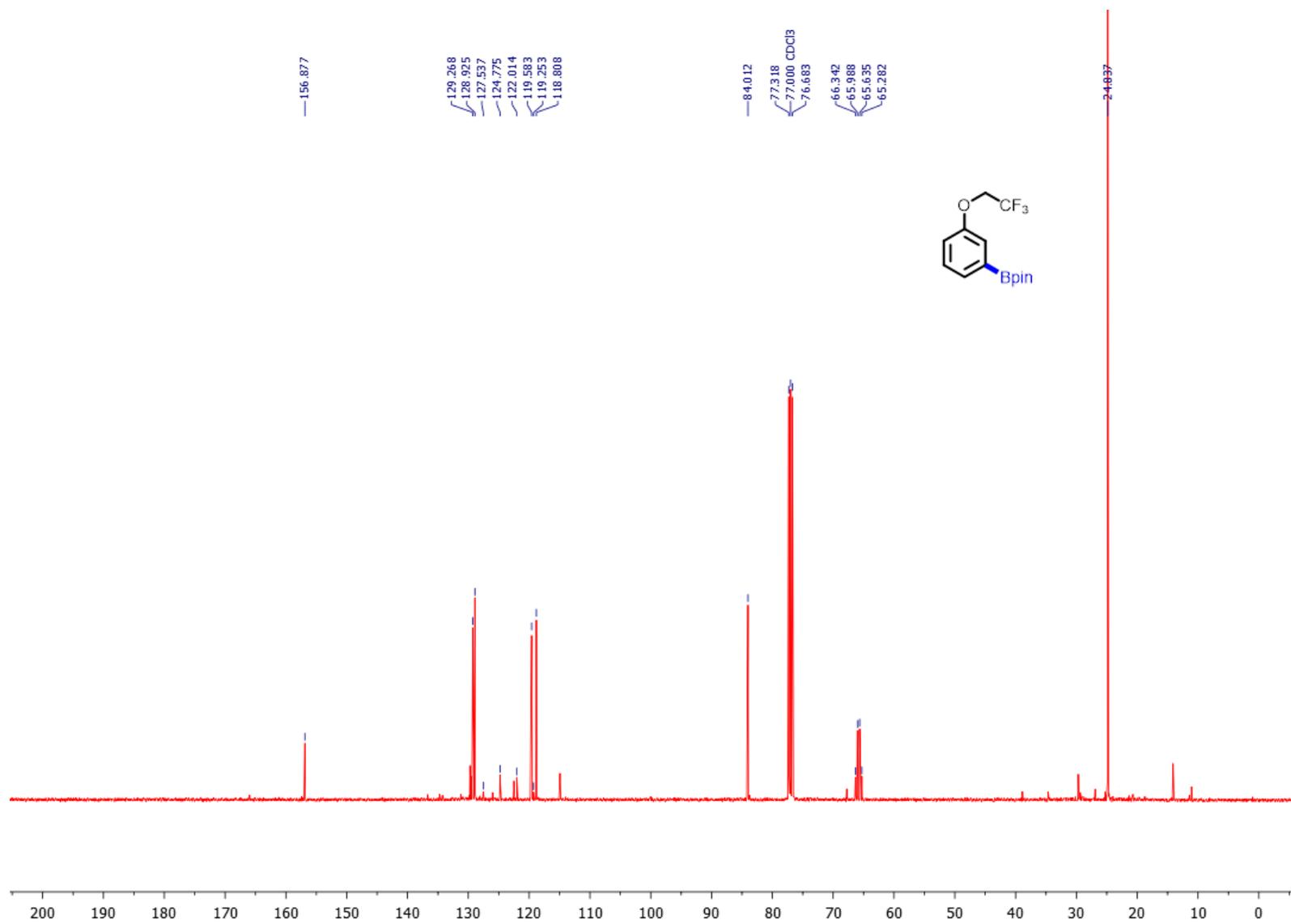
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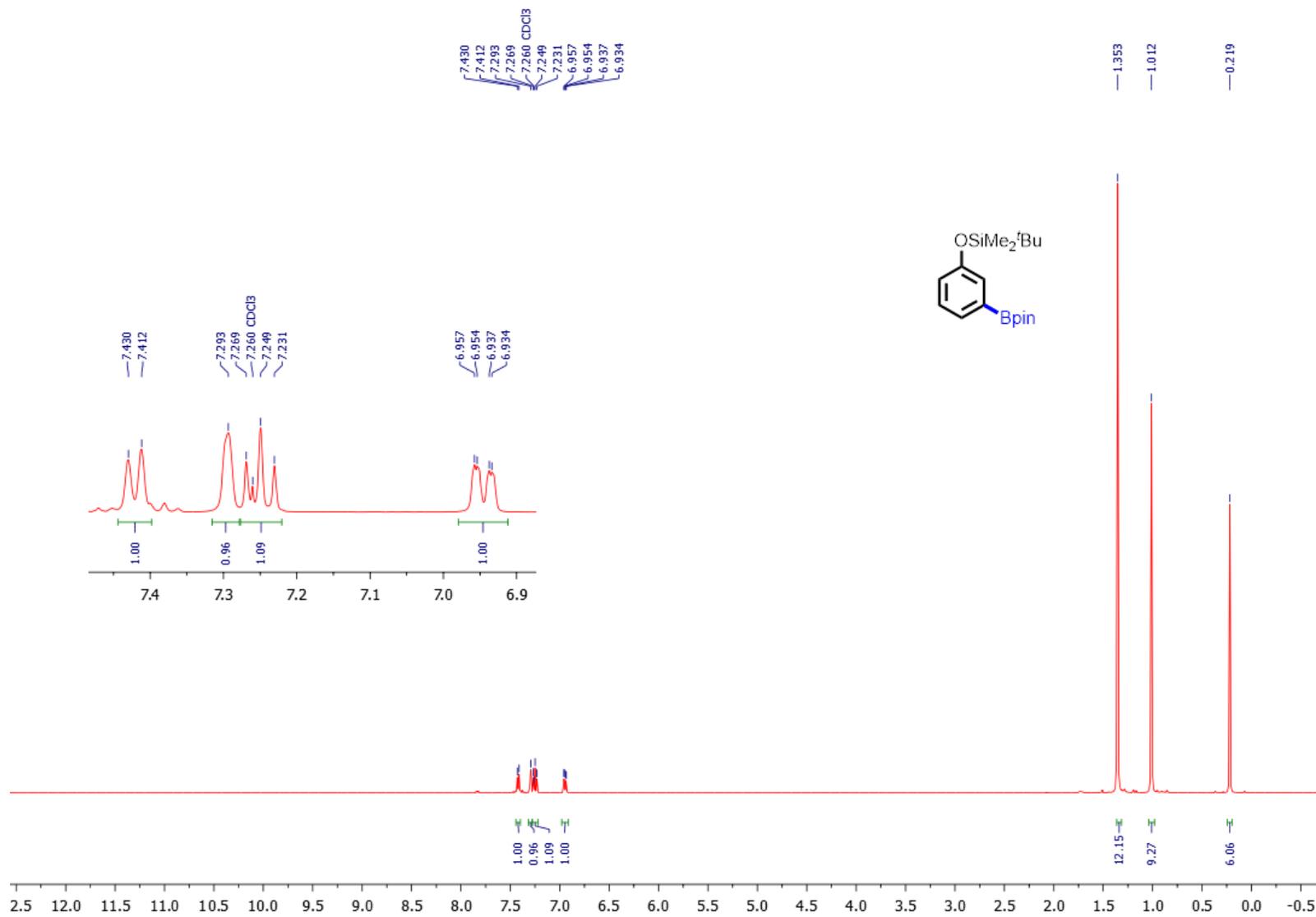
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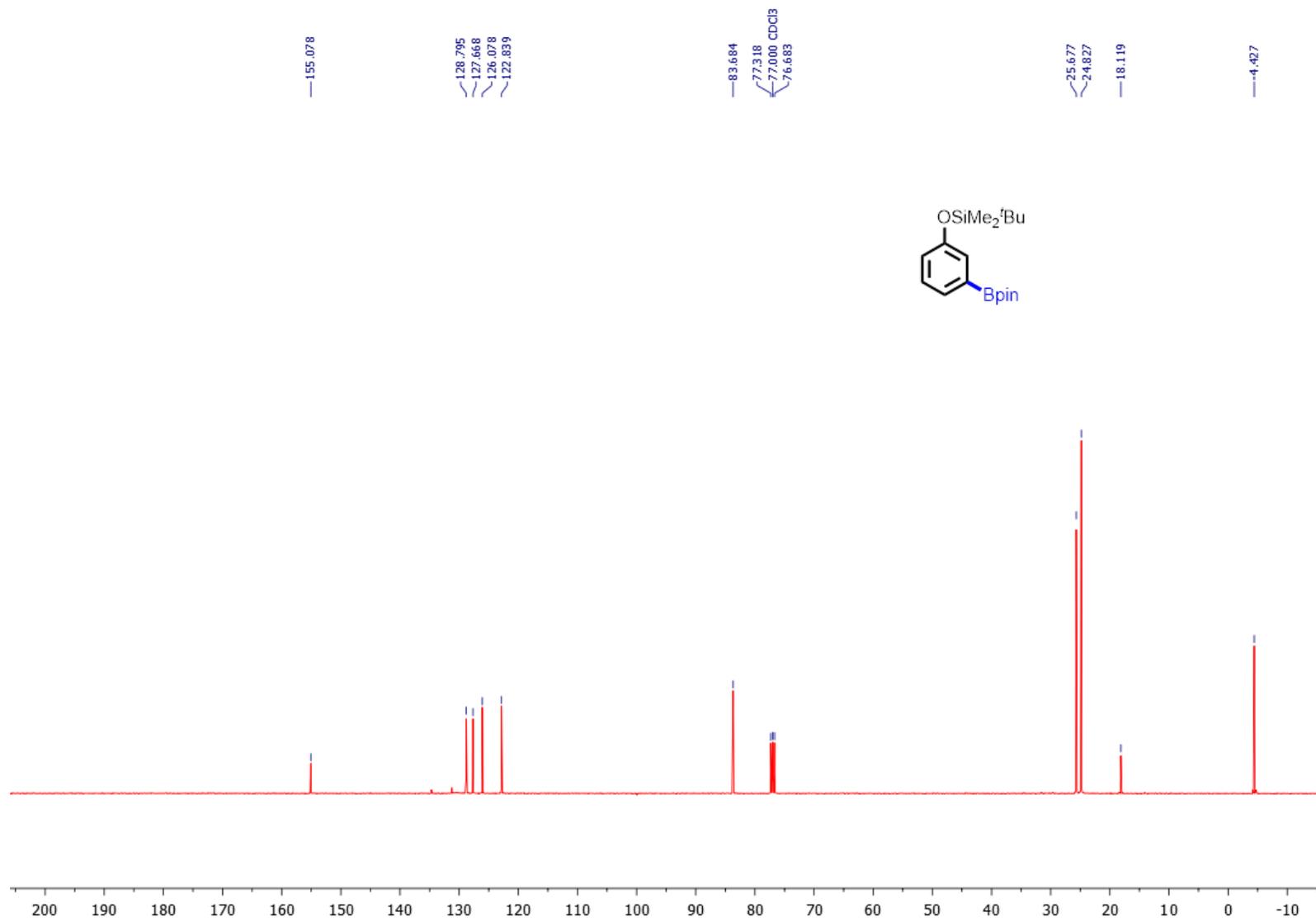
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of **2q** (25 °C, 400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



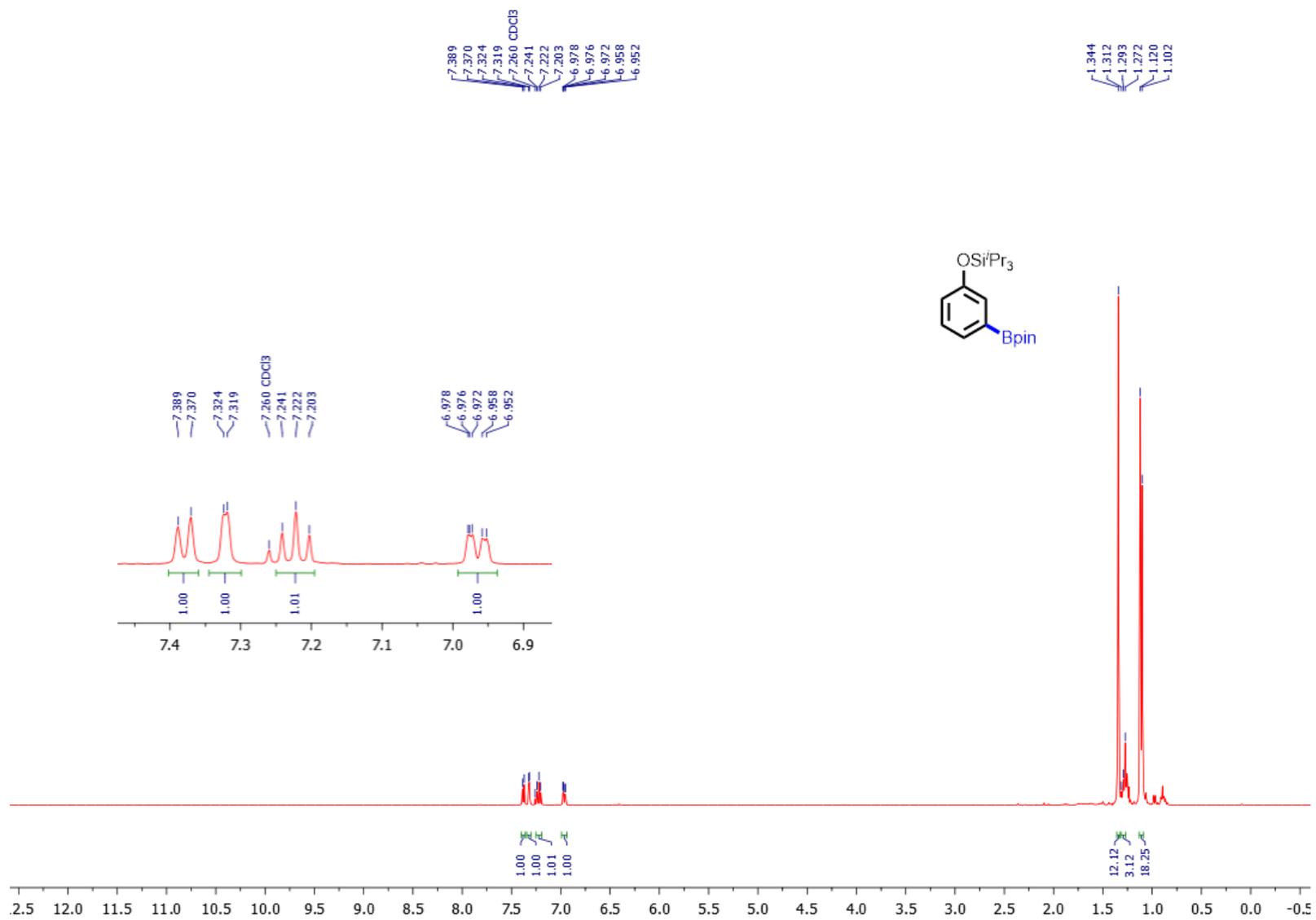
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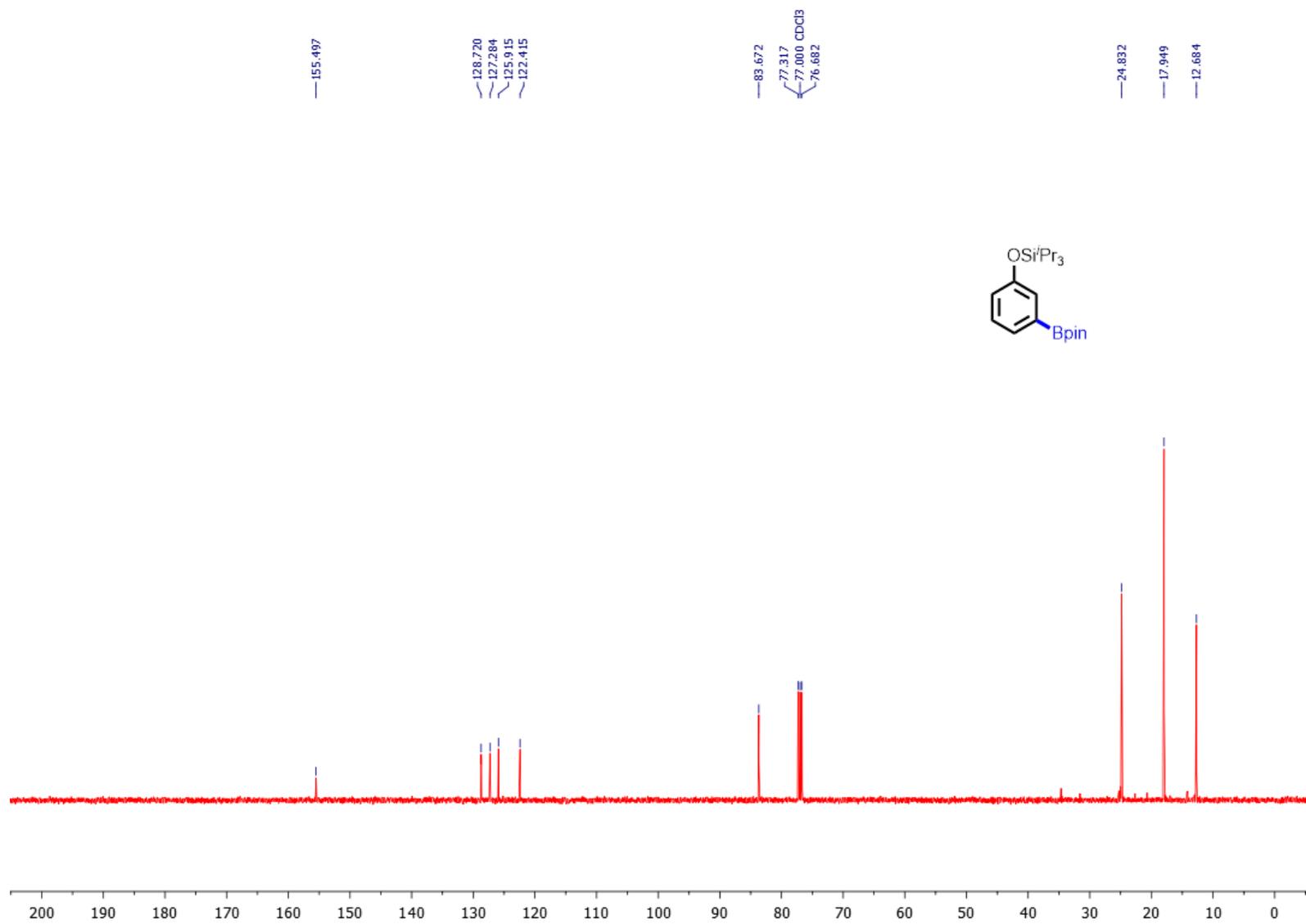
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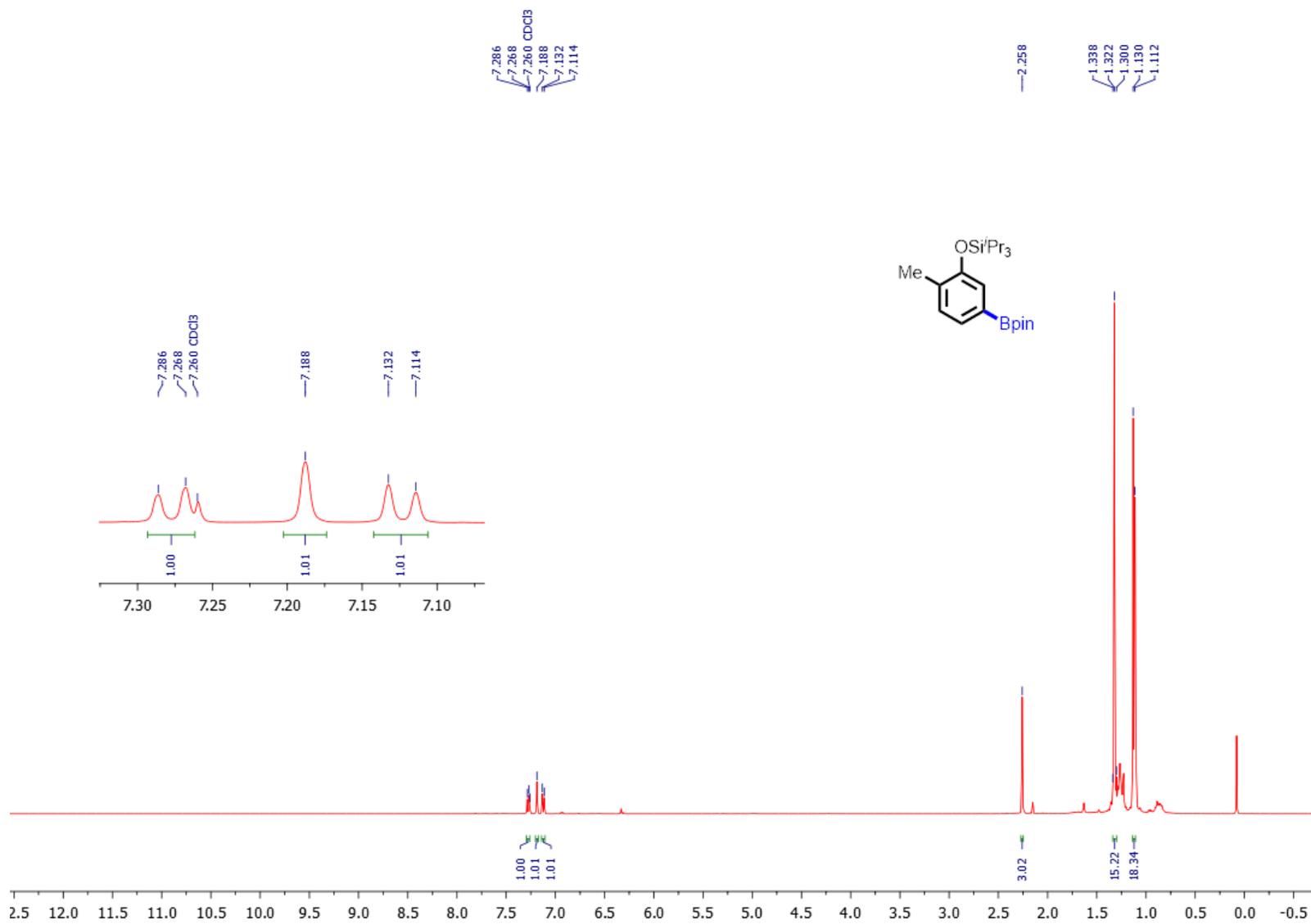
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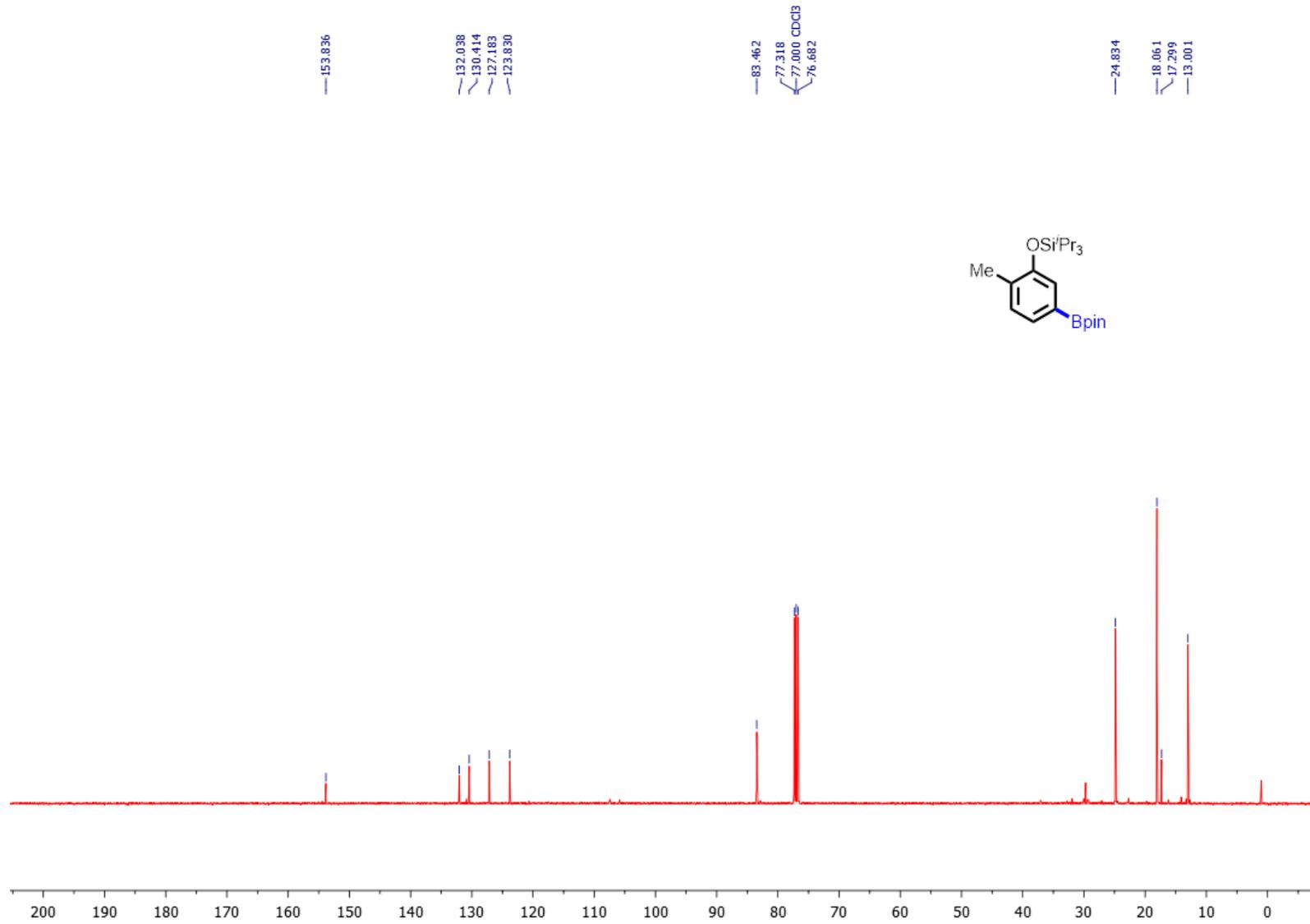
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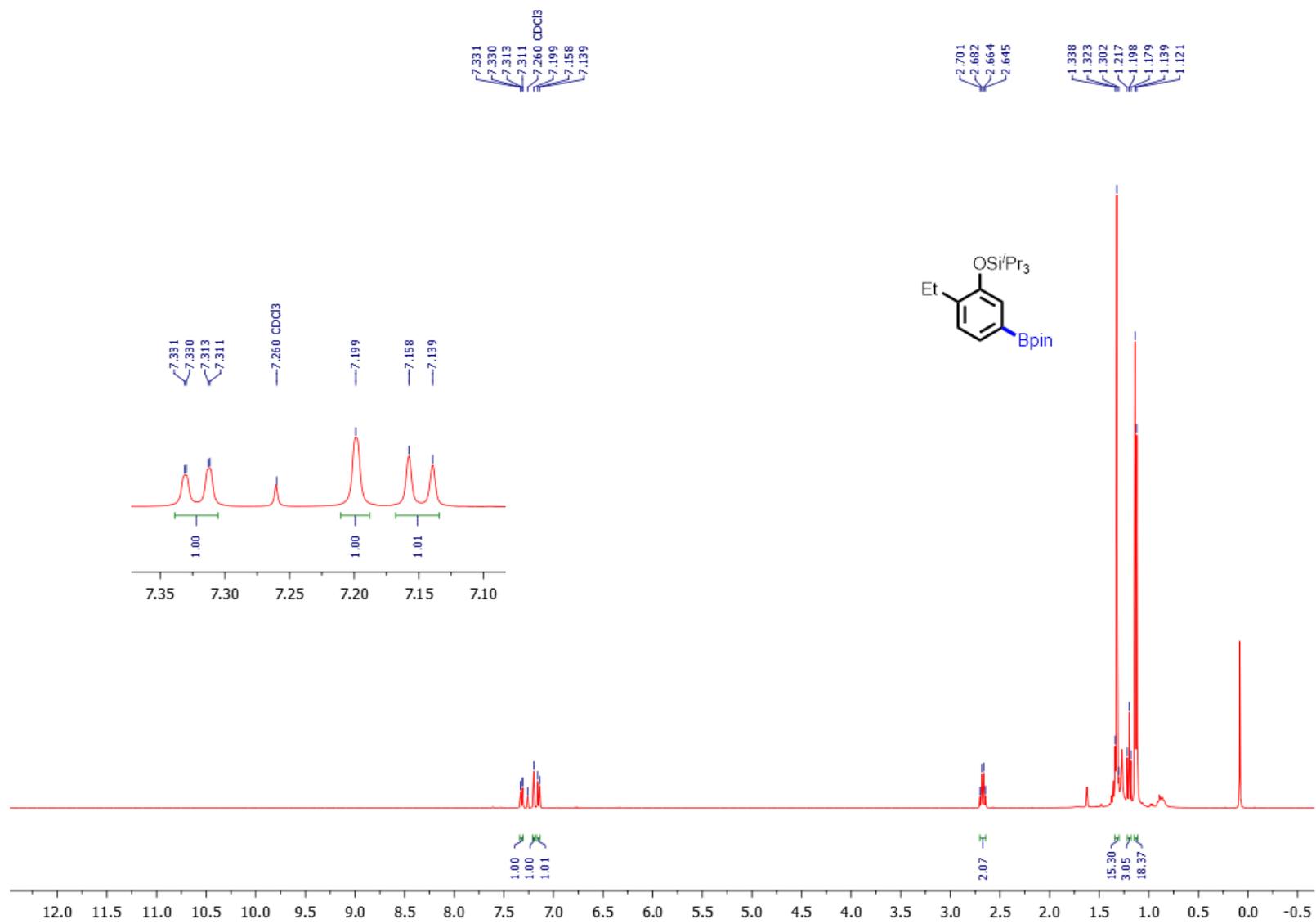
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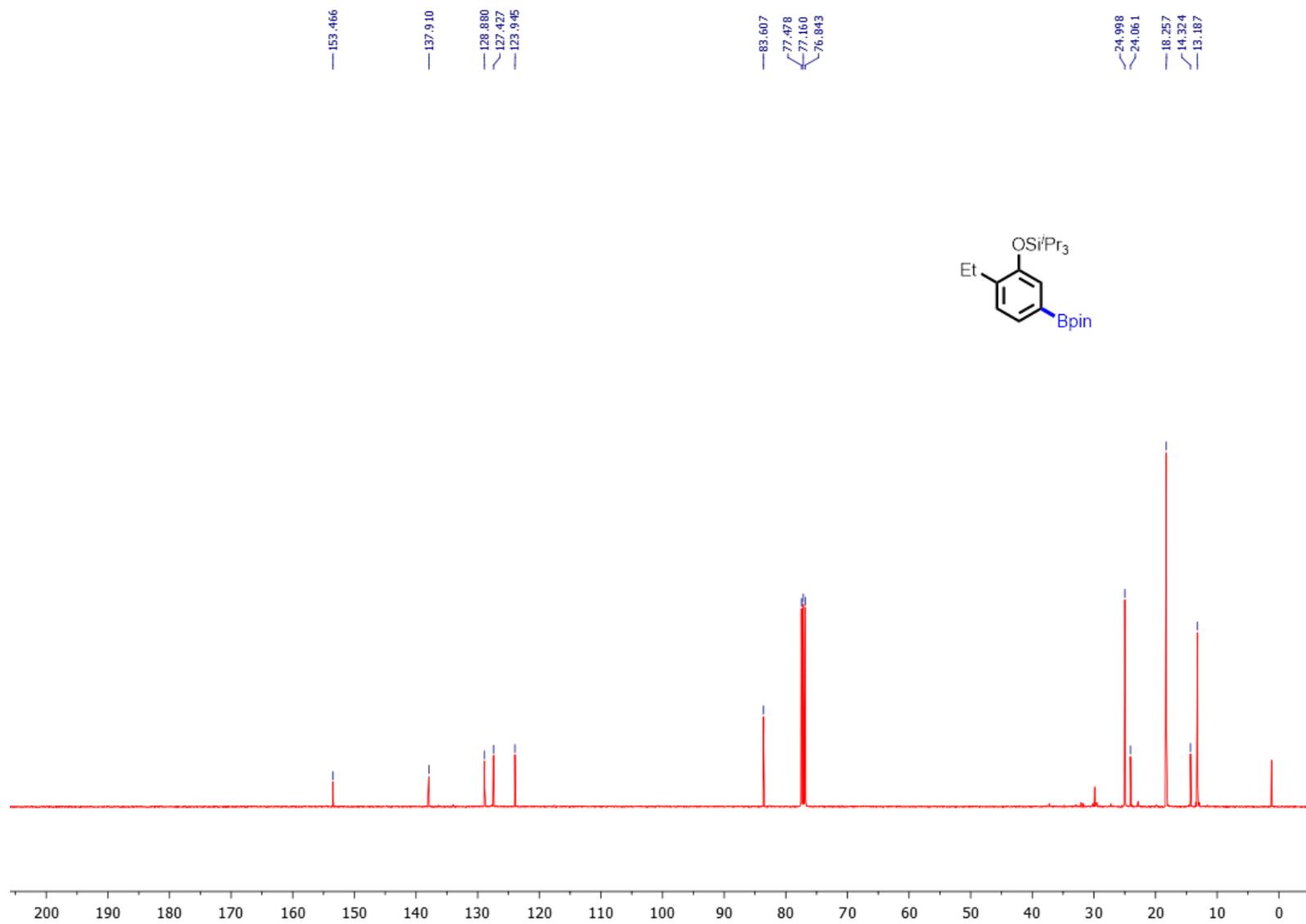
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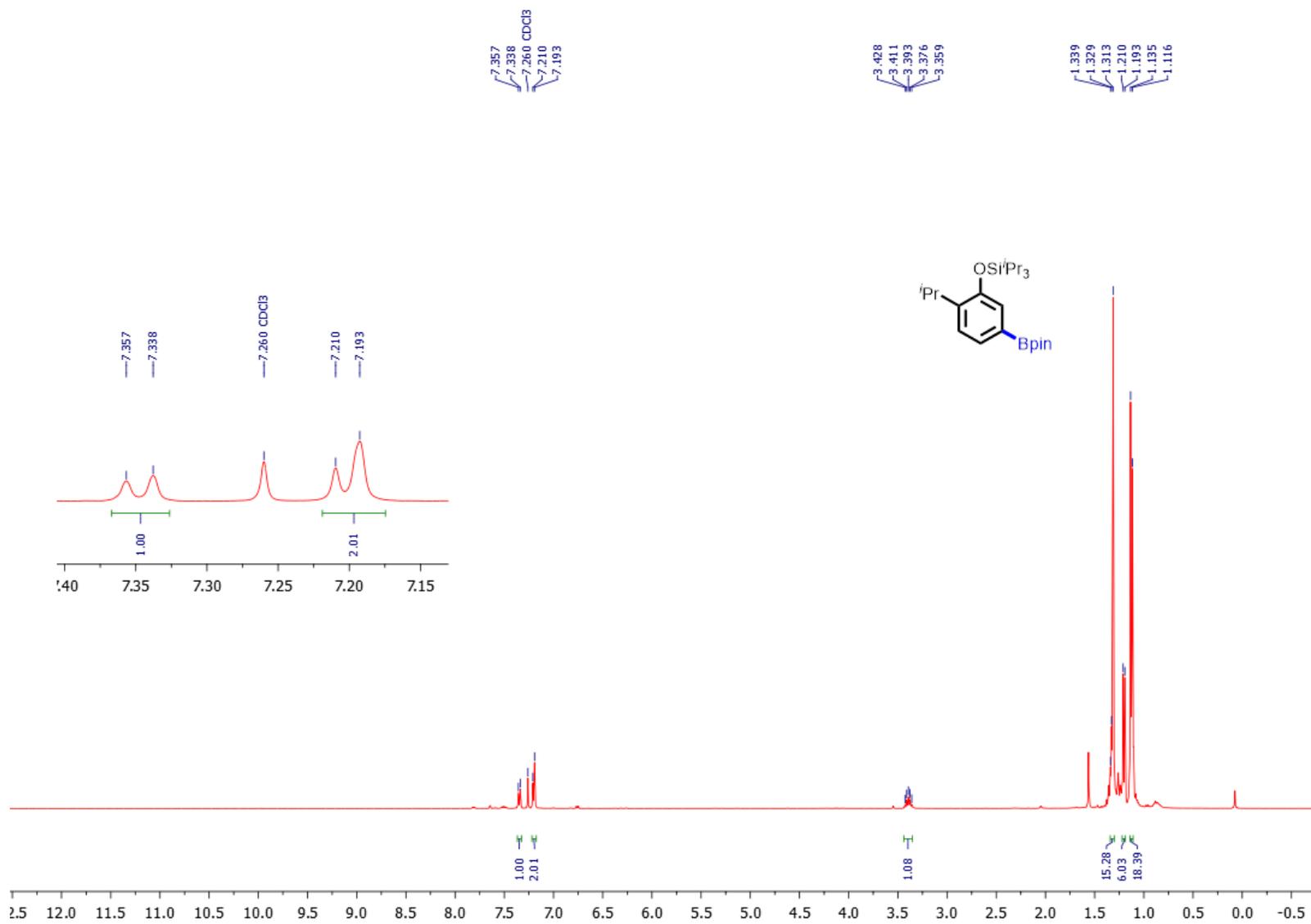
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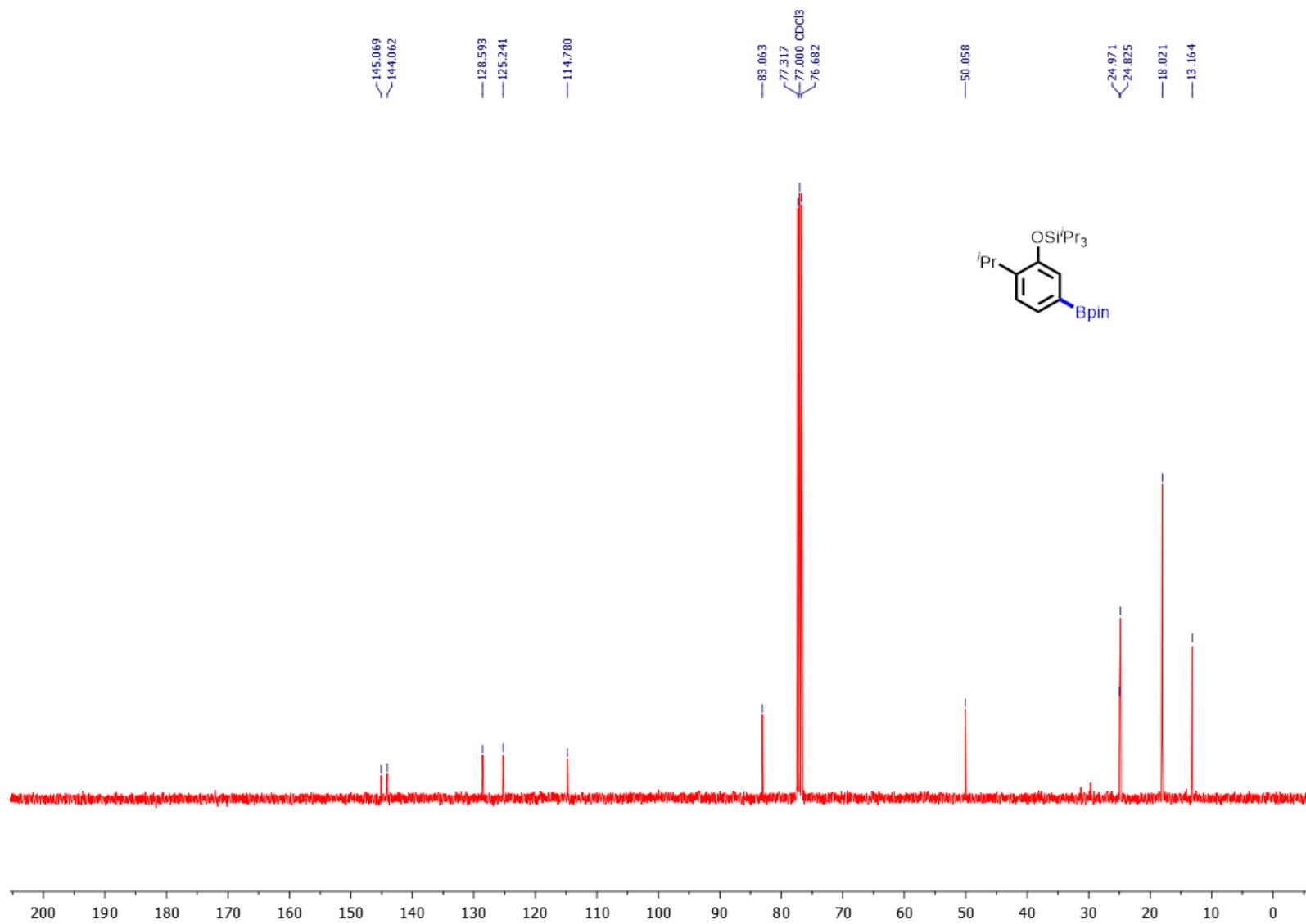
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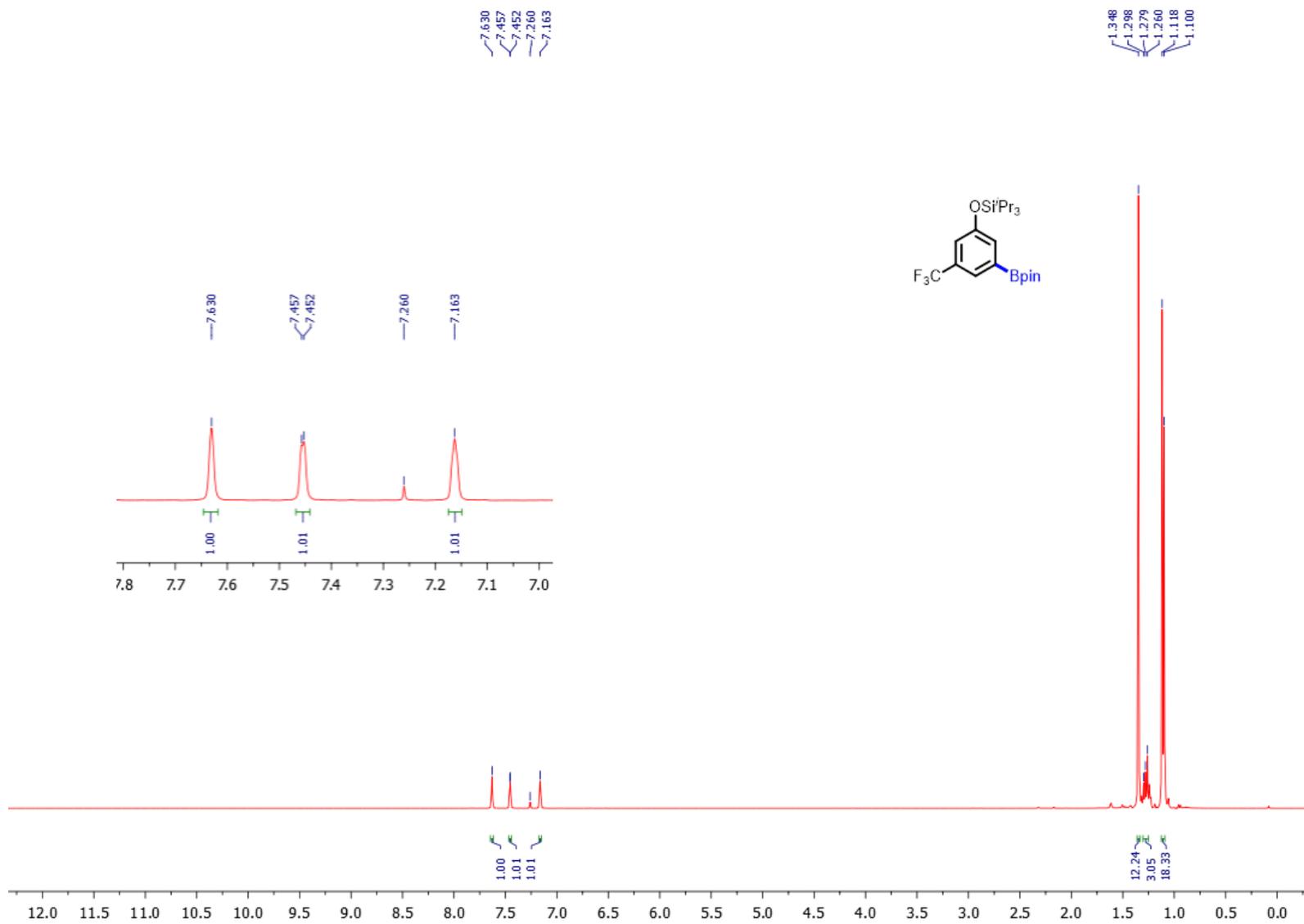
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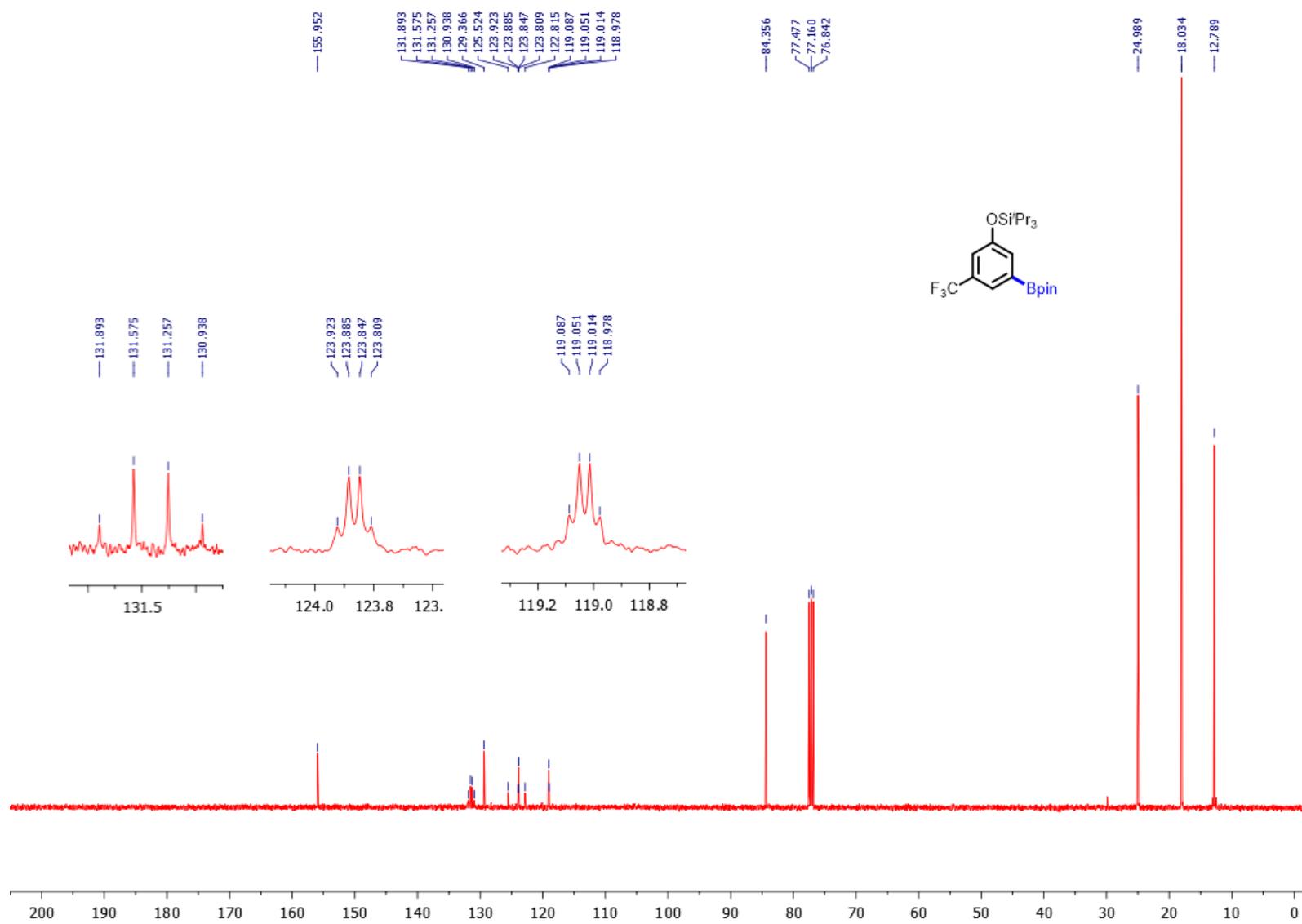
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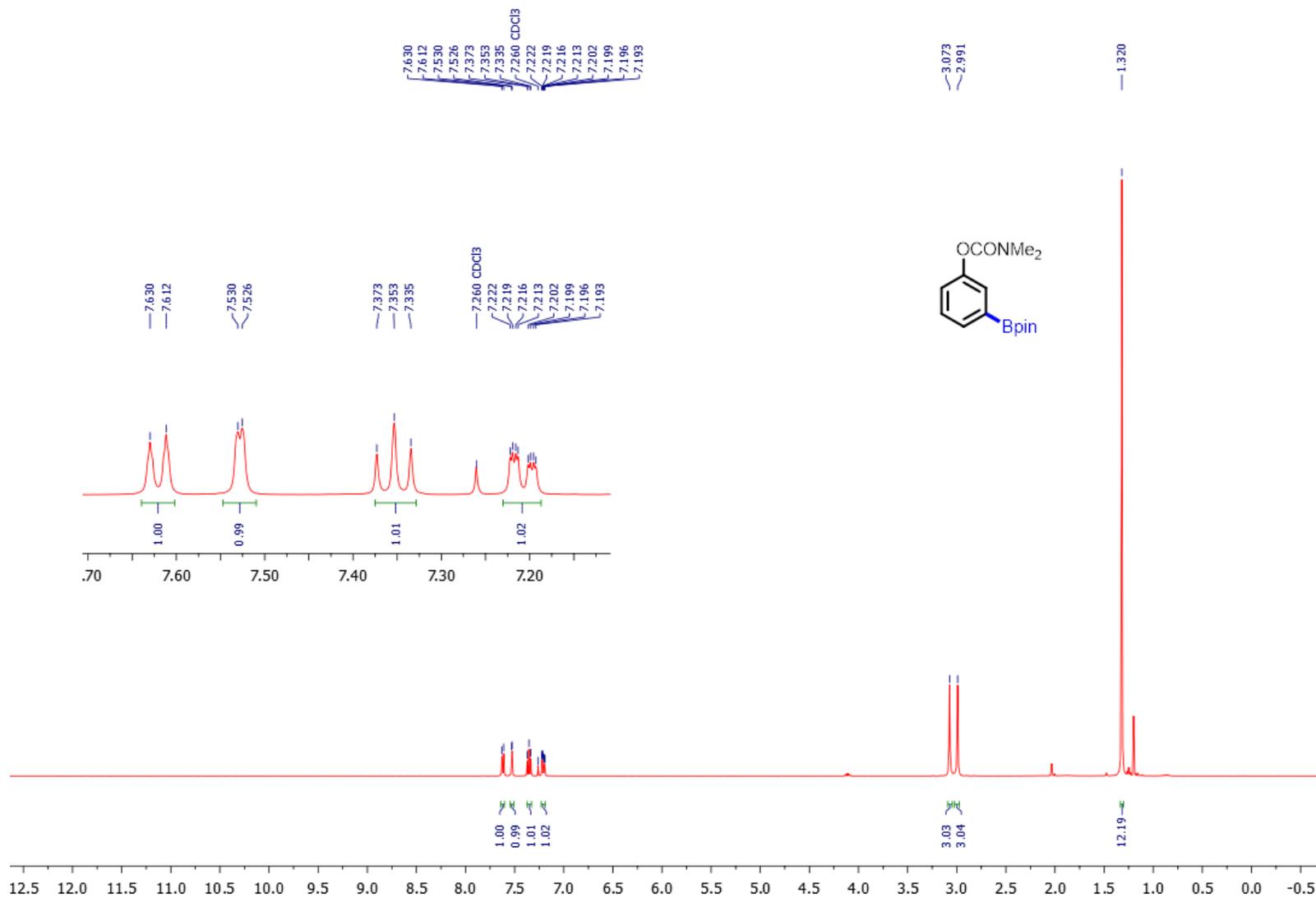
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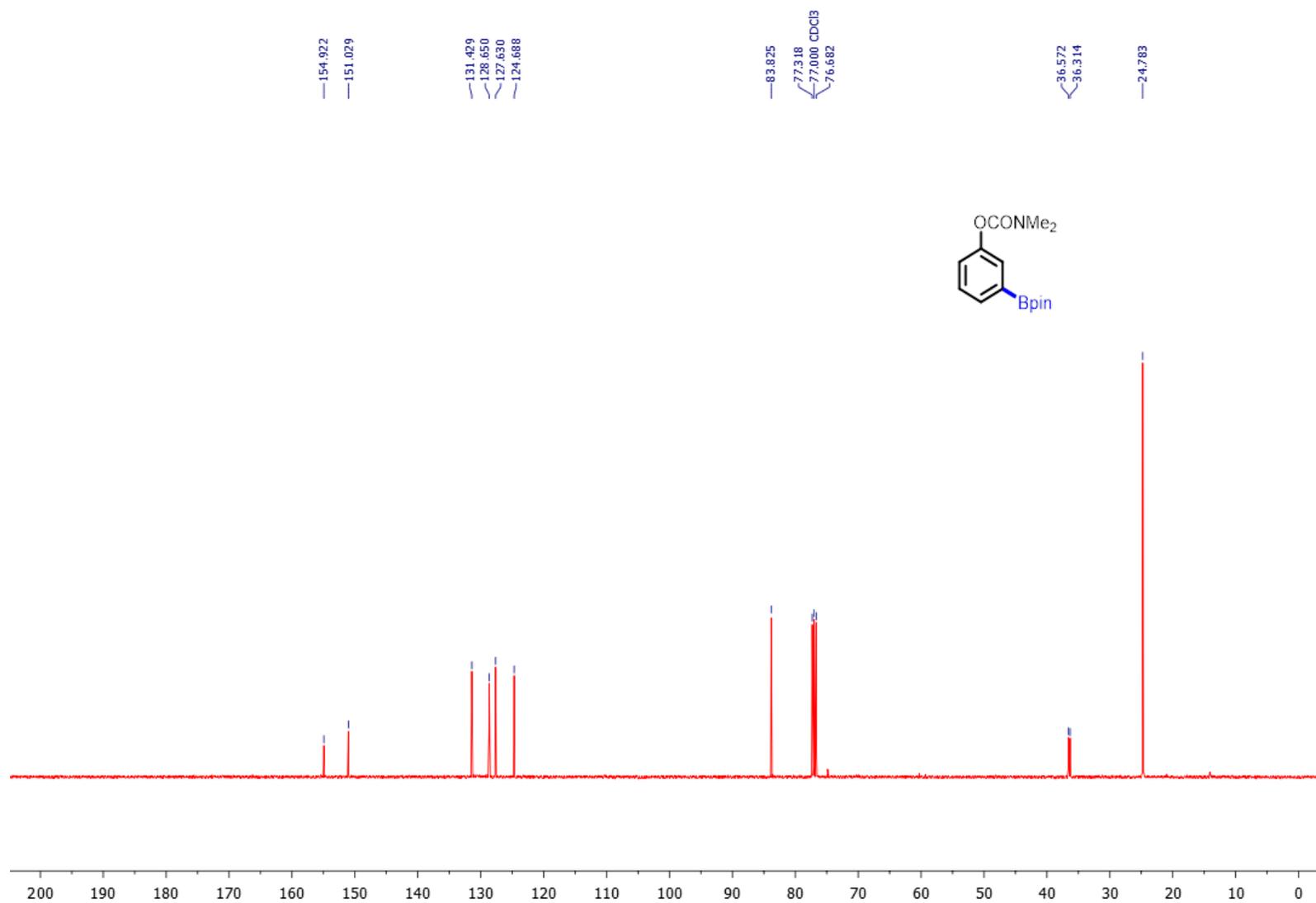
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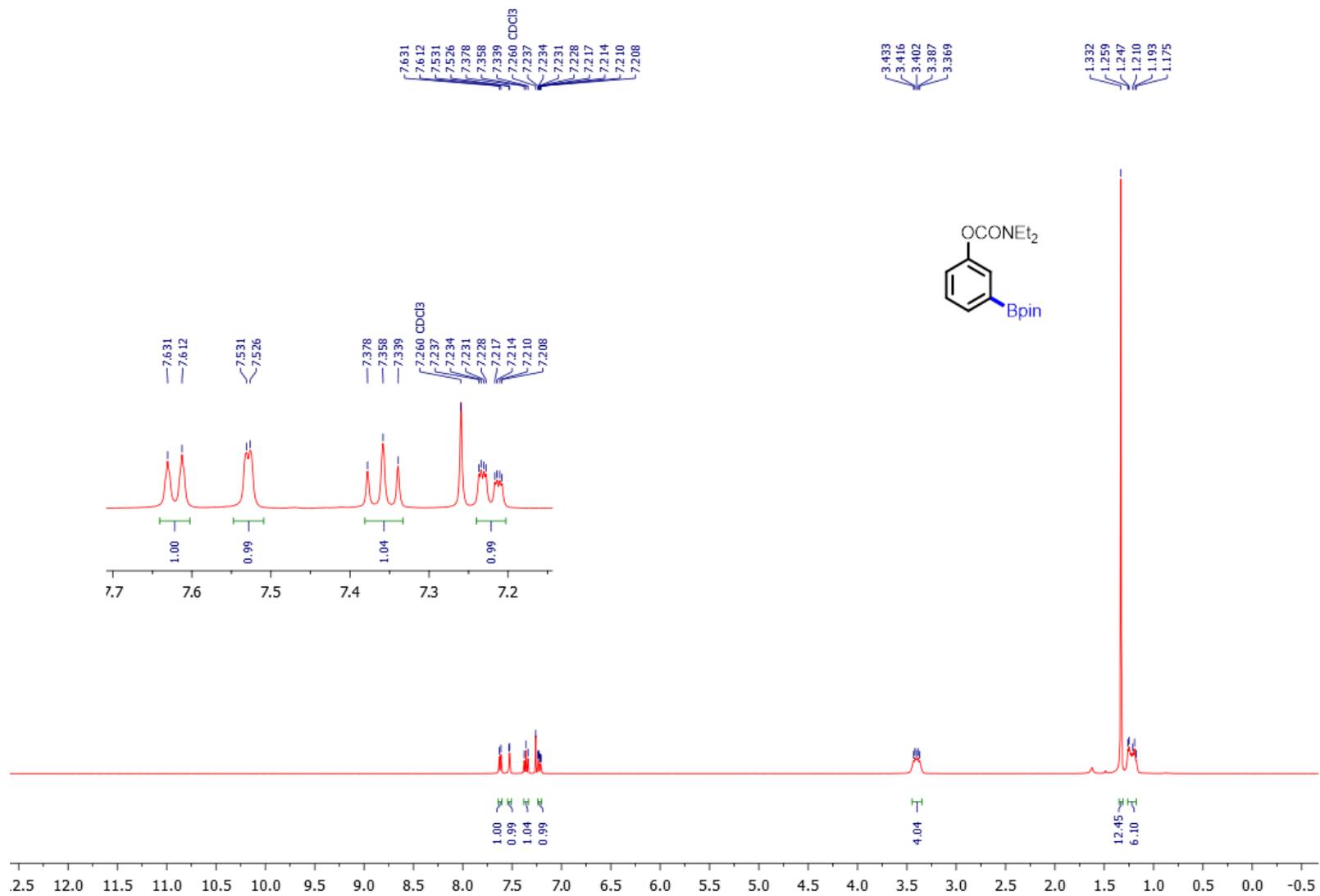
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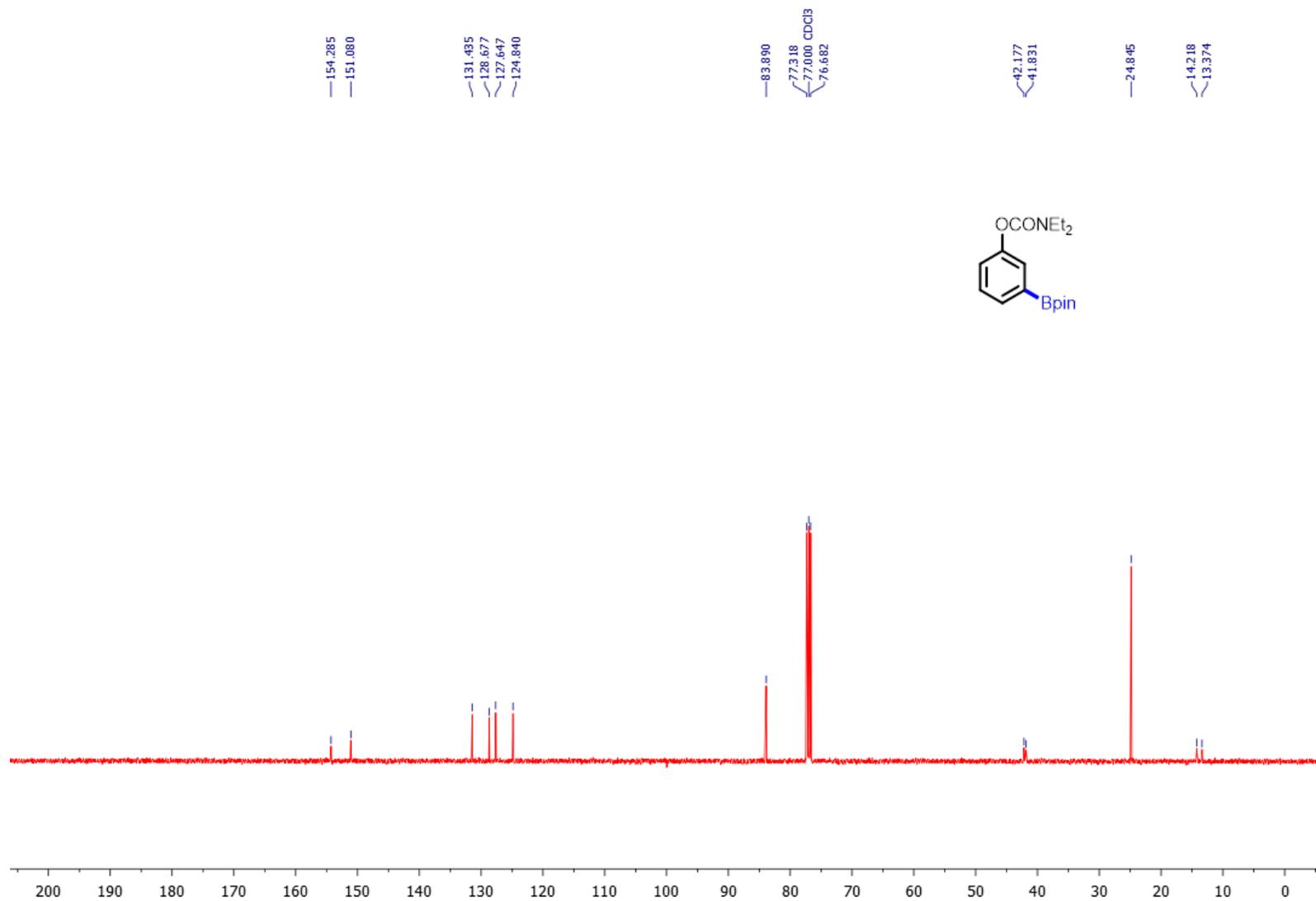
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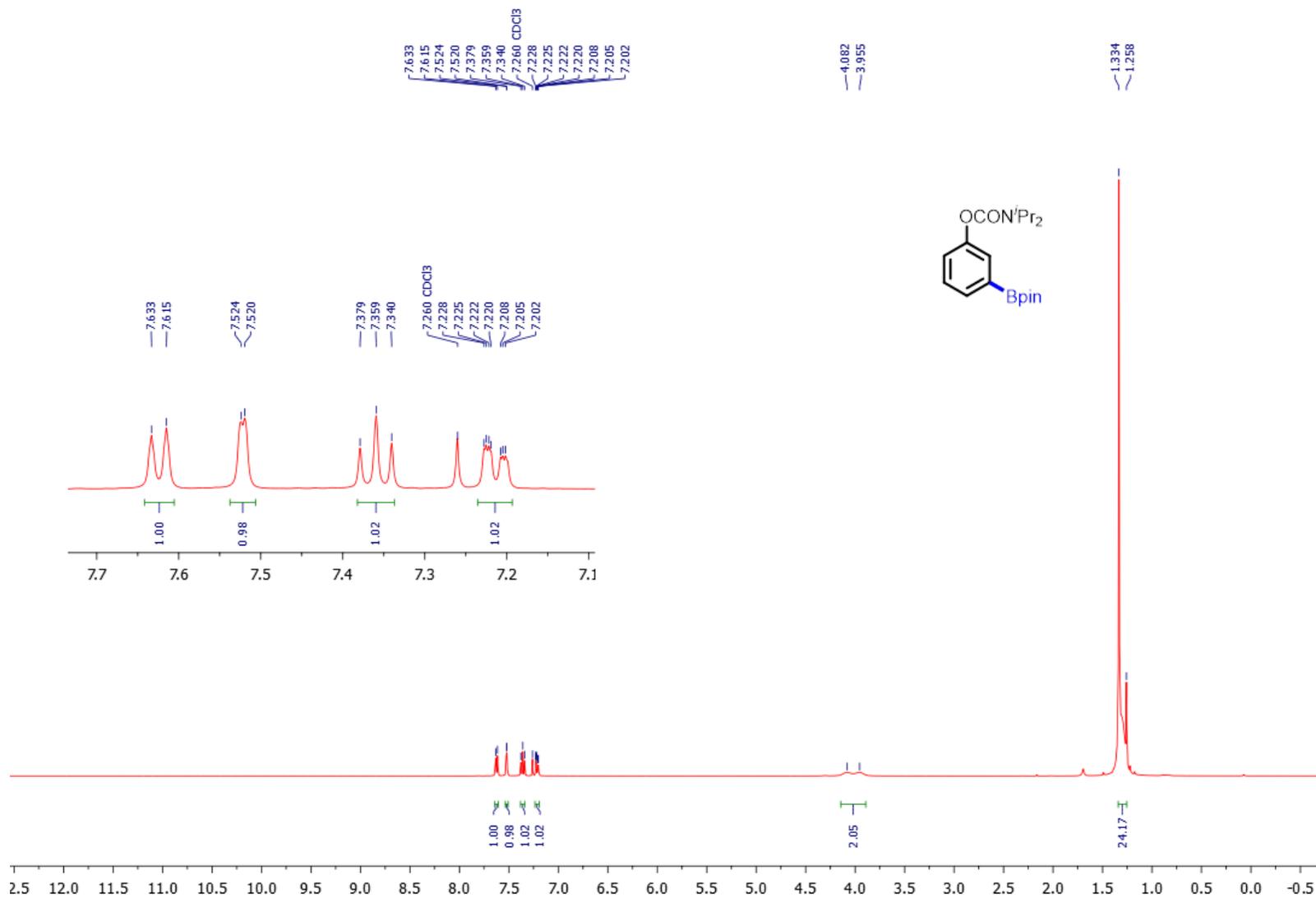
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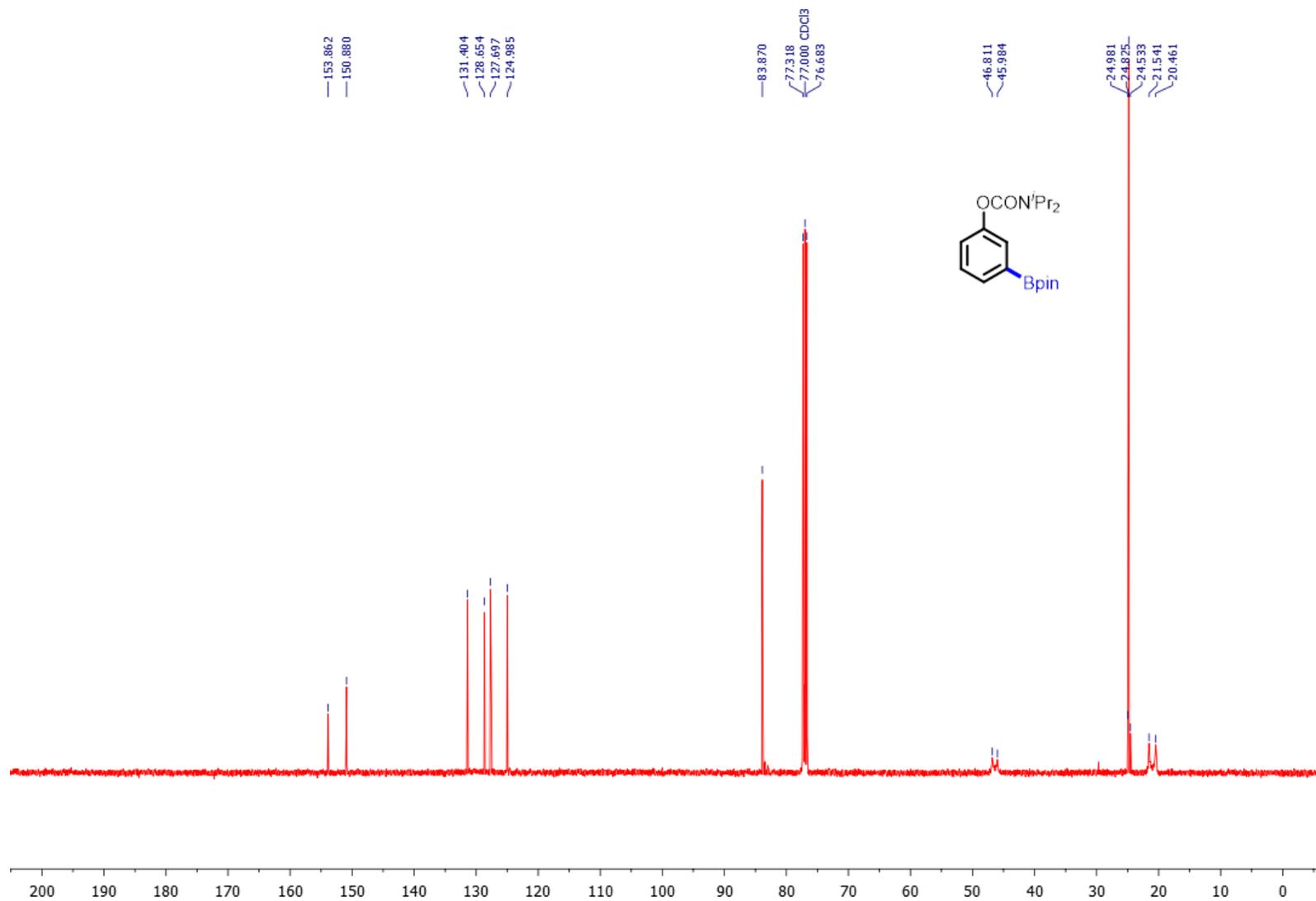
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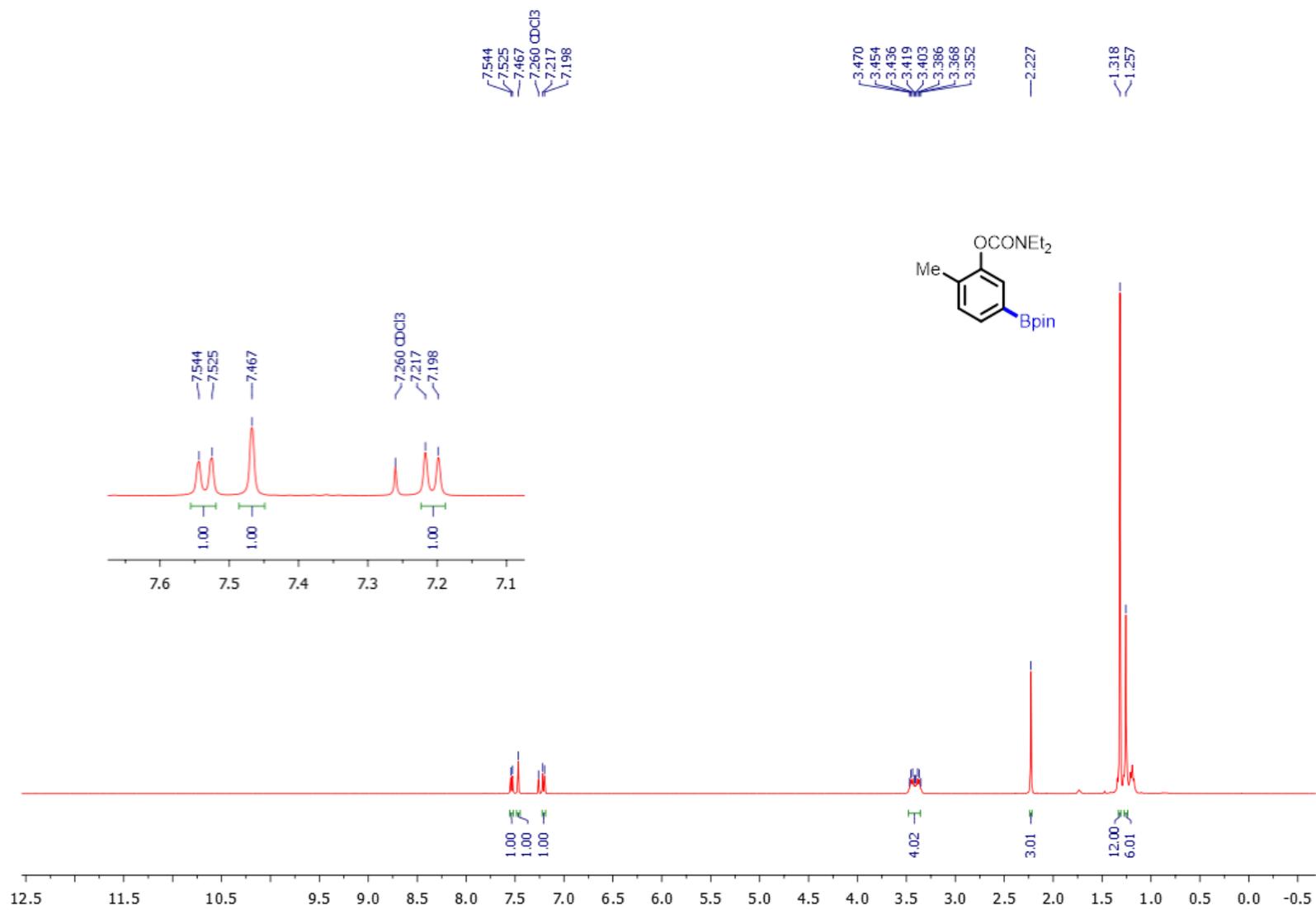
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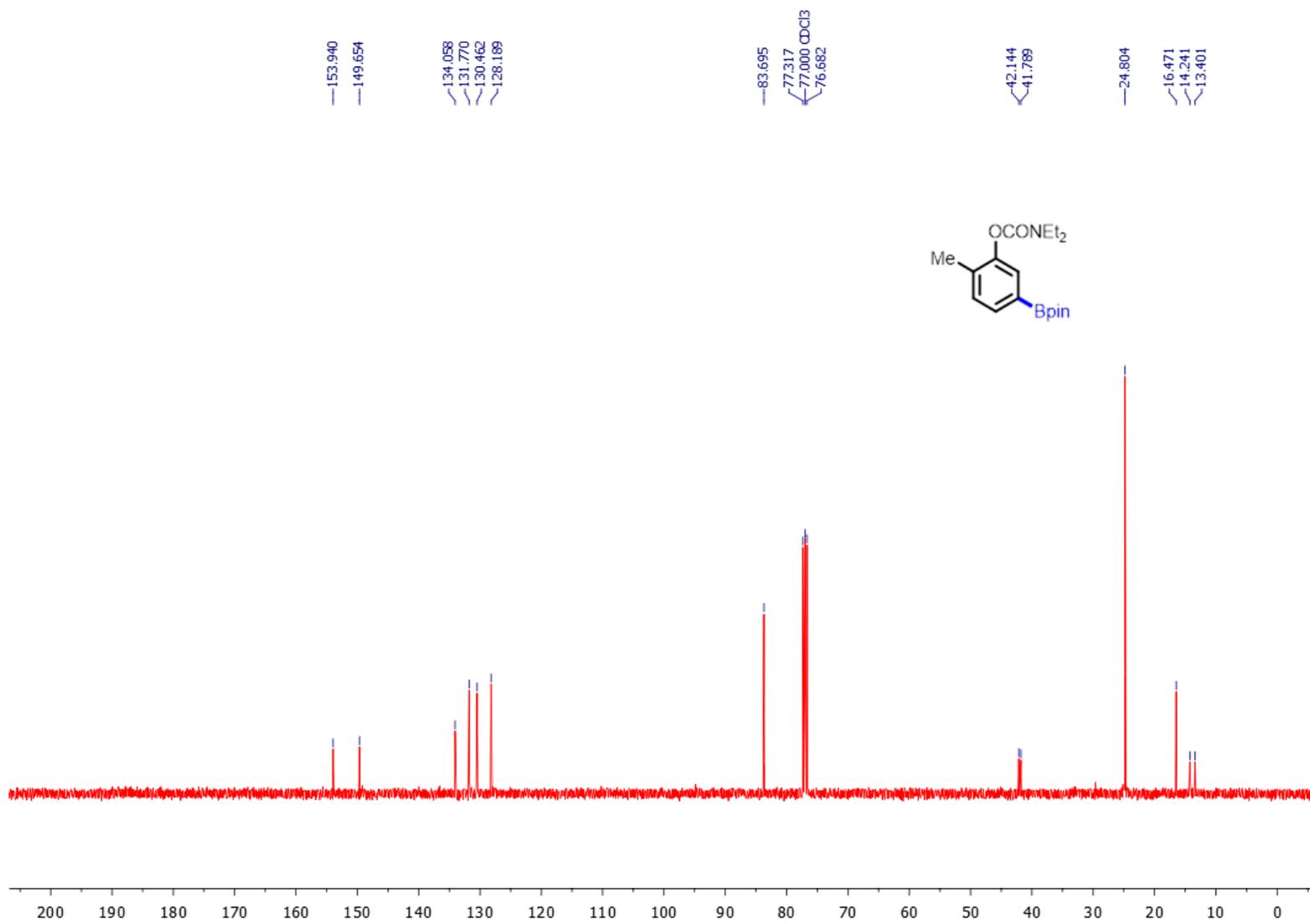
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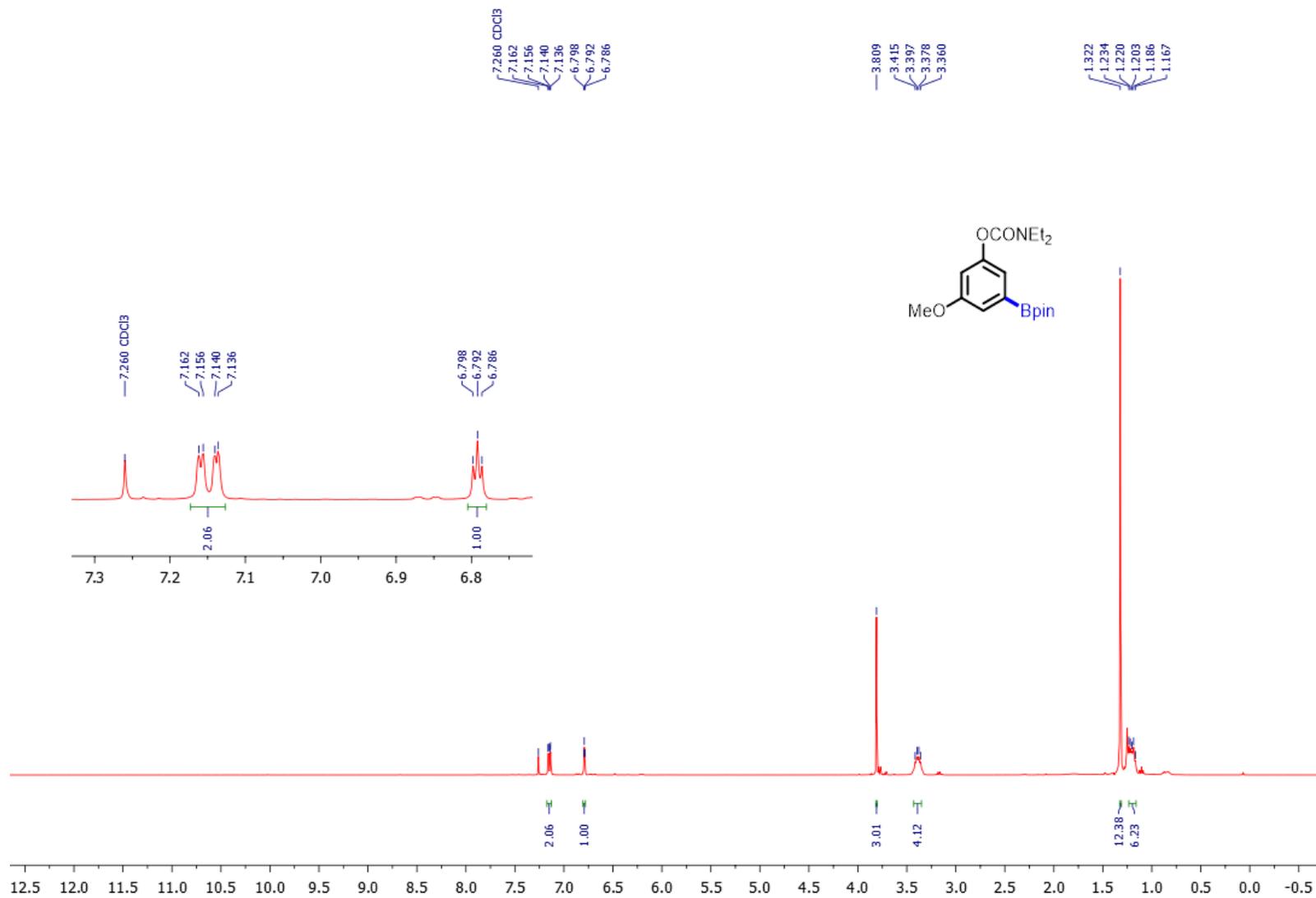
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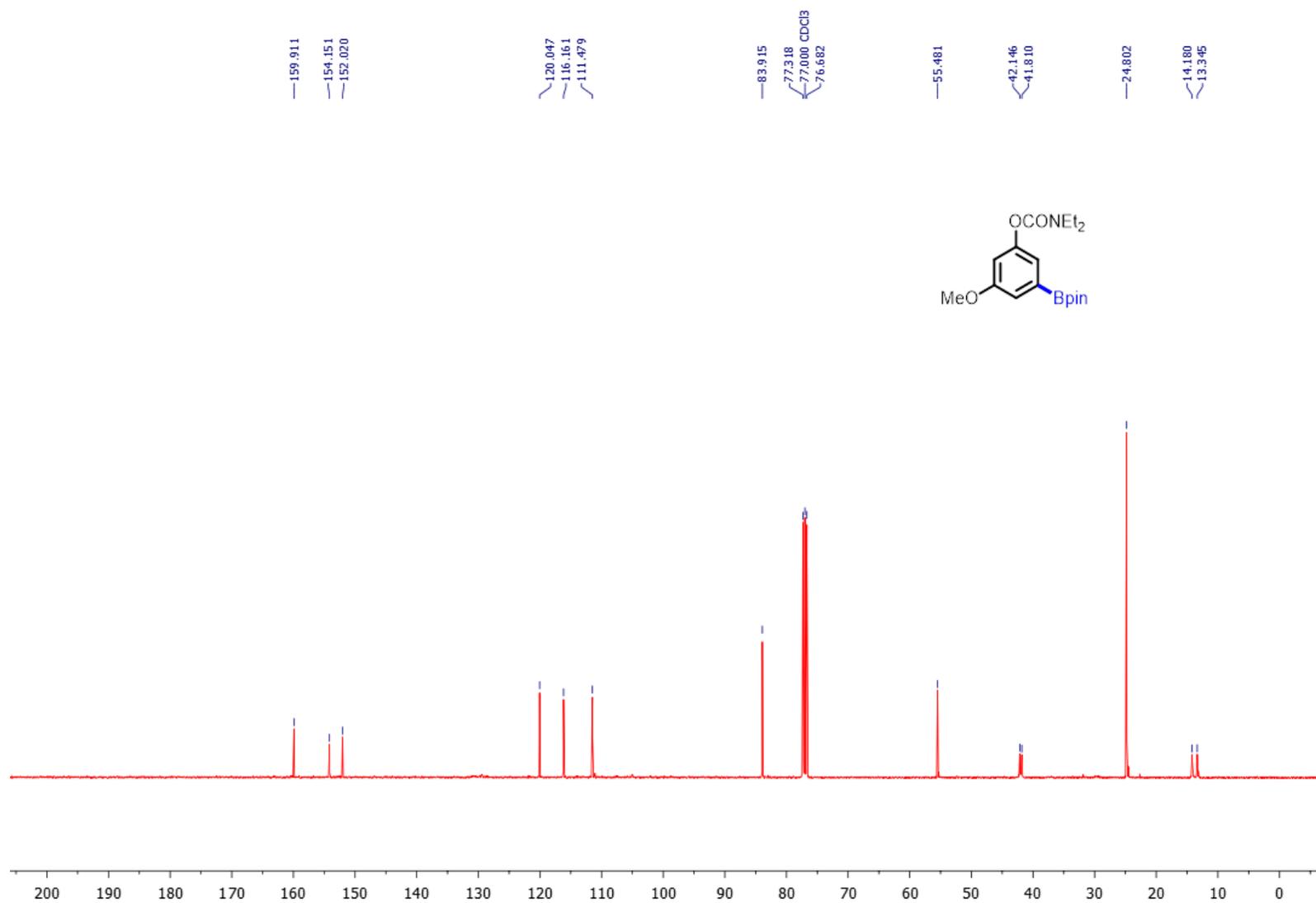
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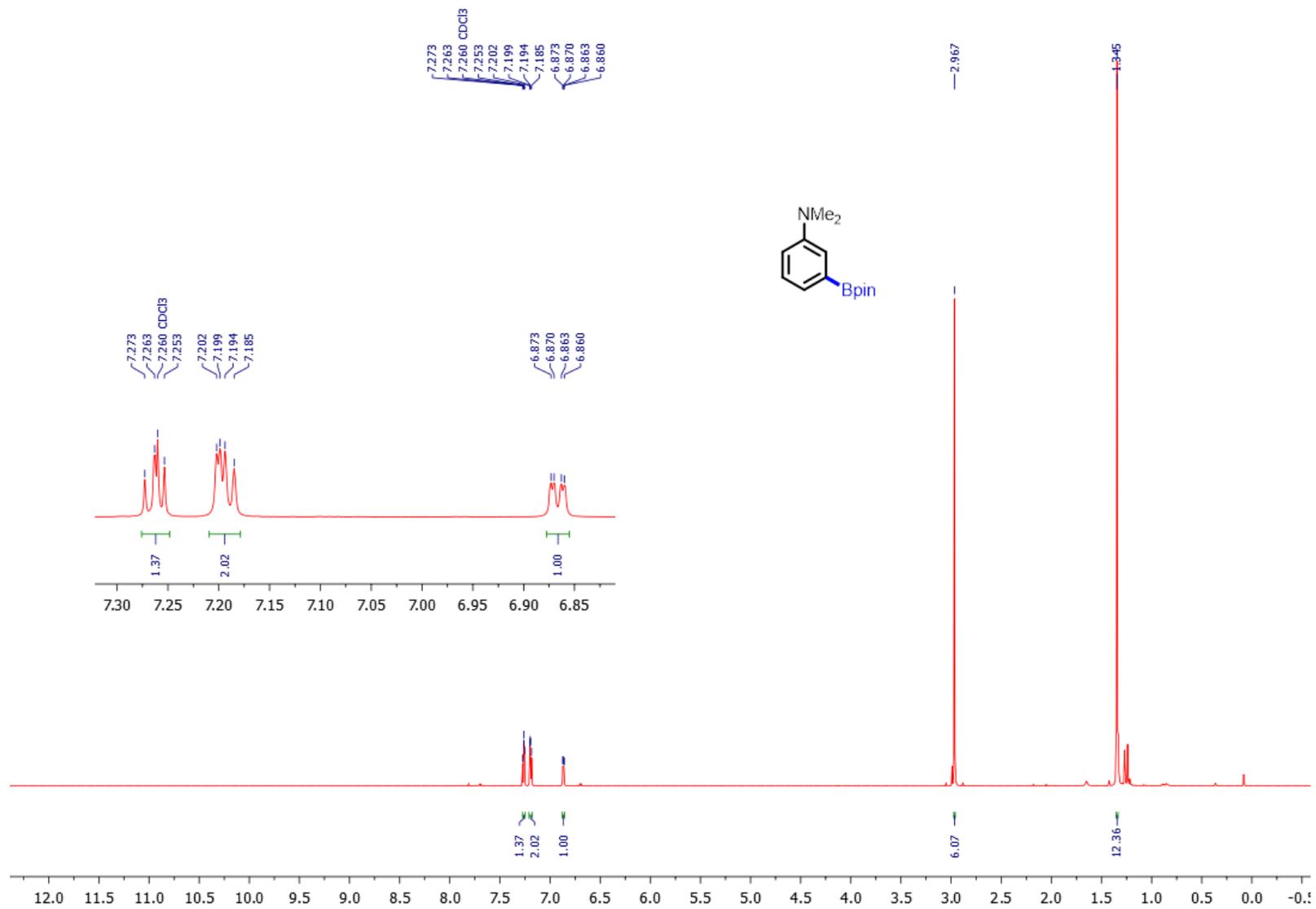
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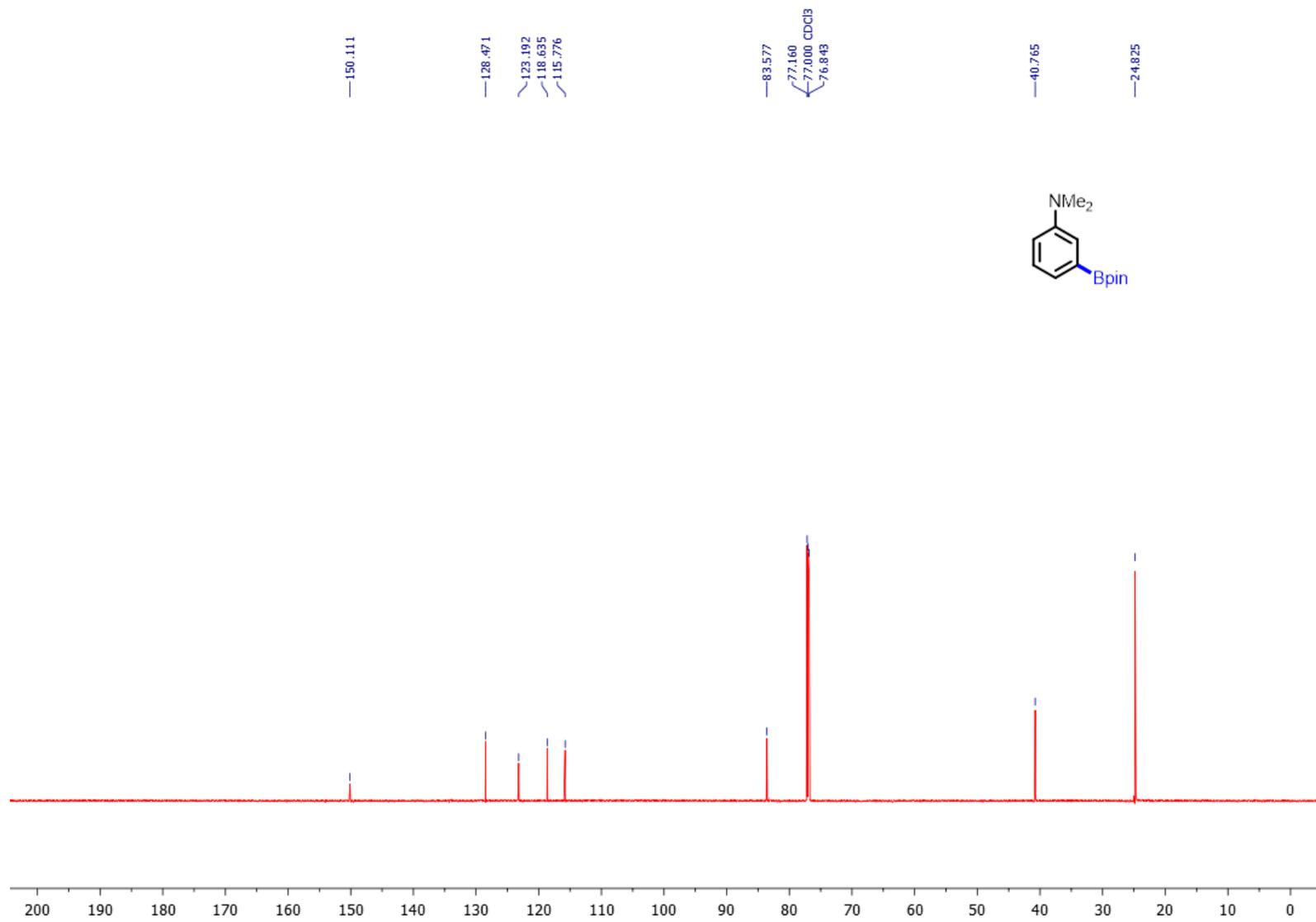
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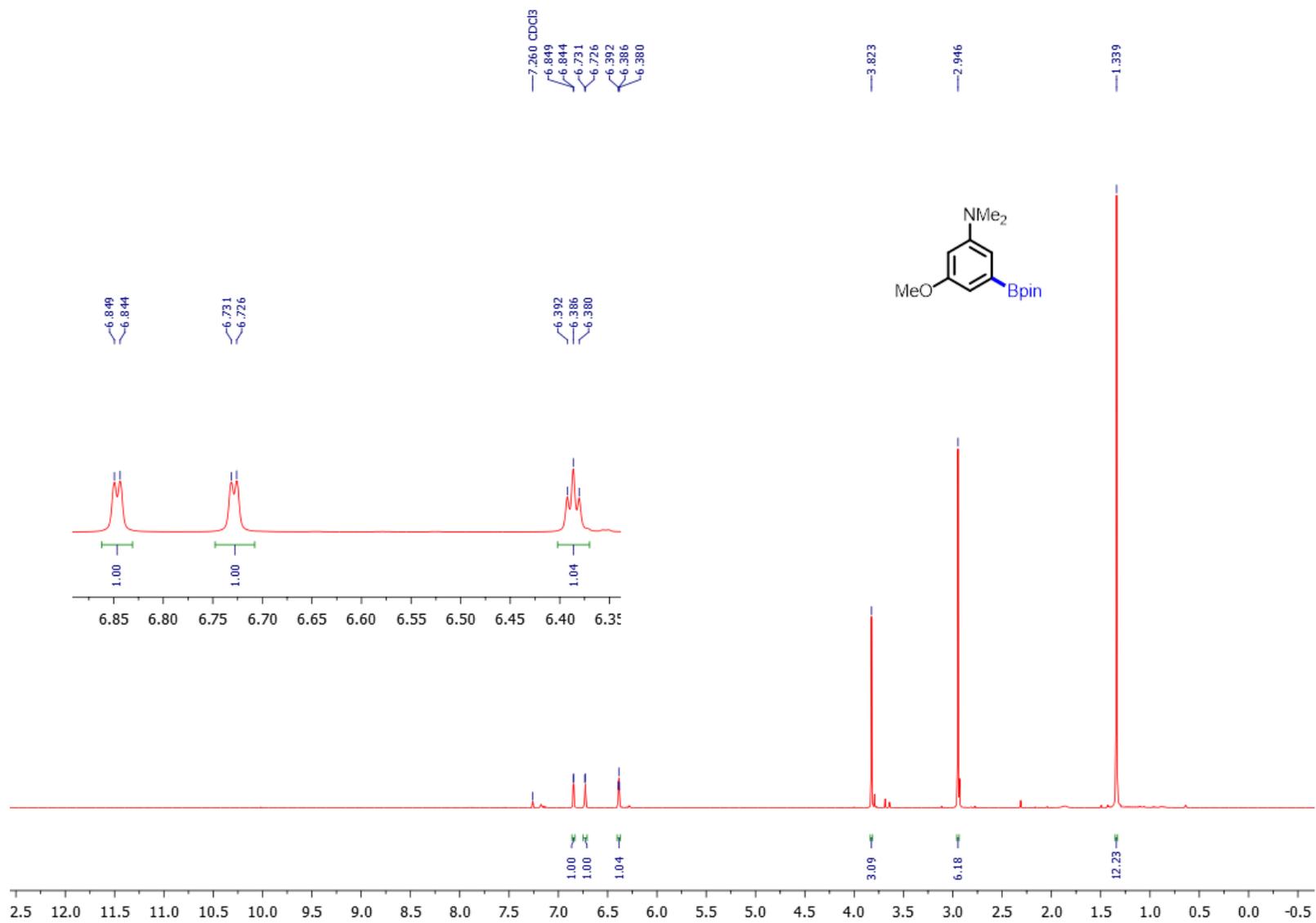
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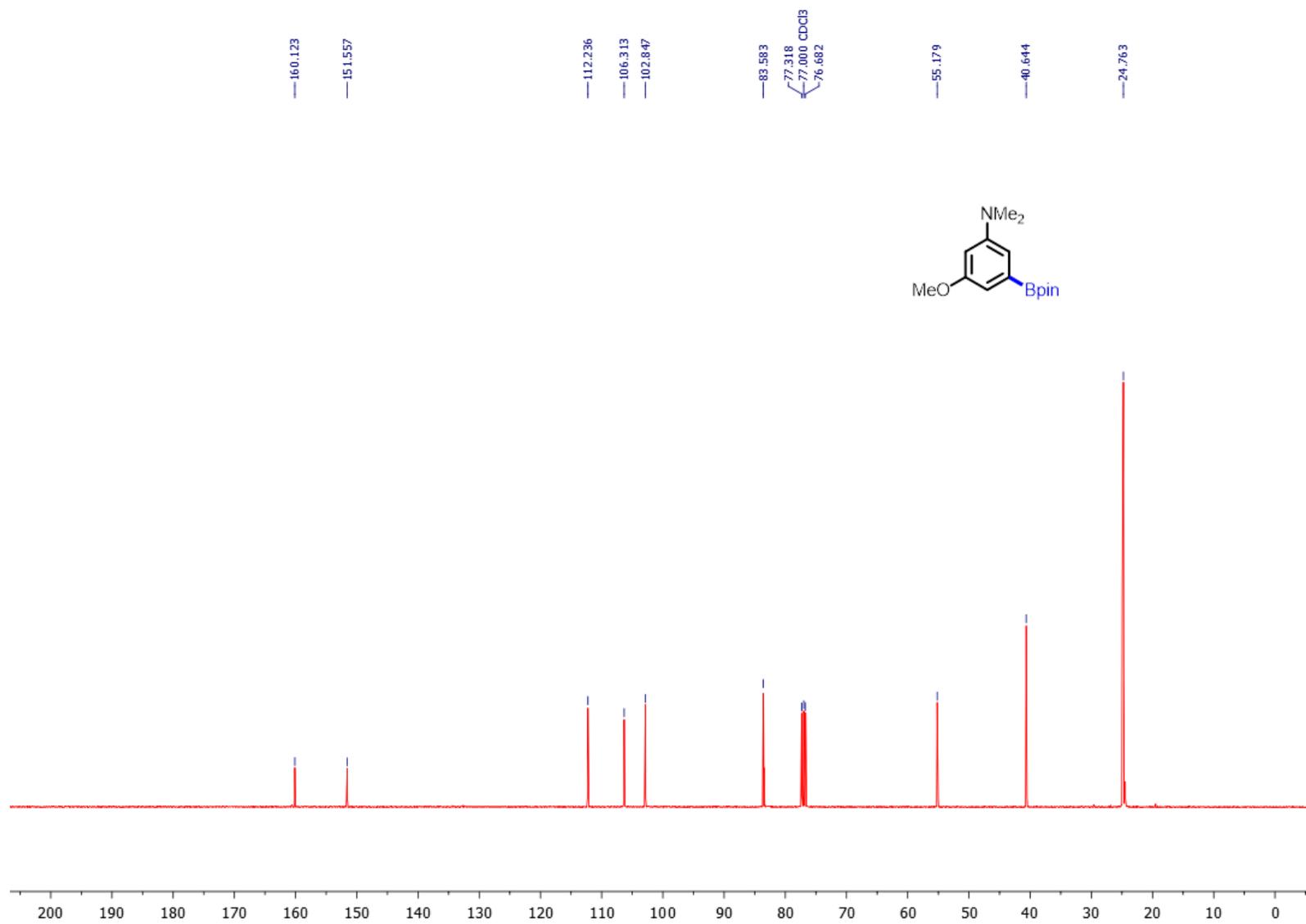
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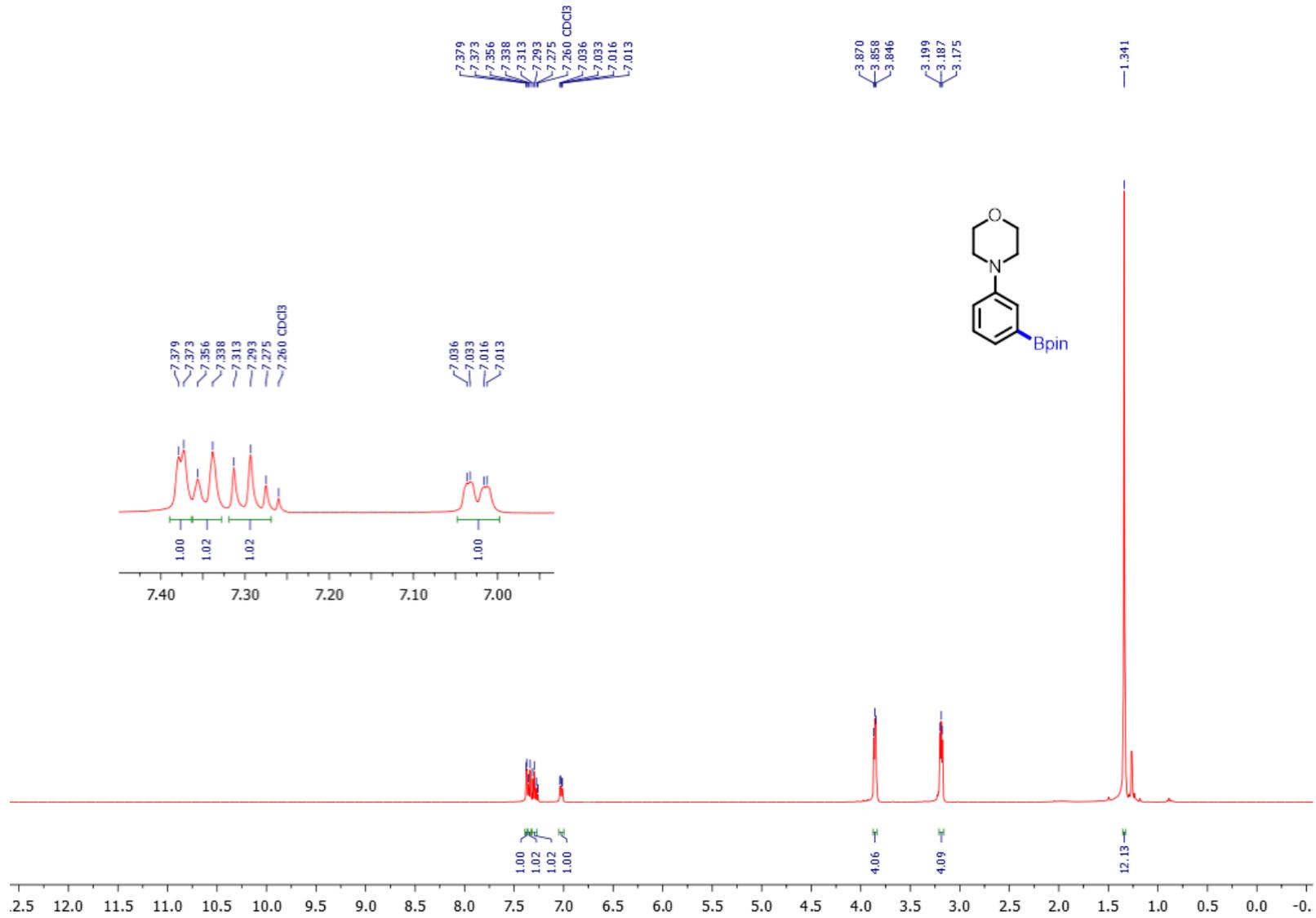
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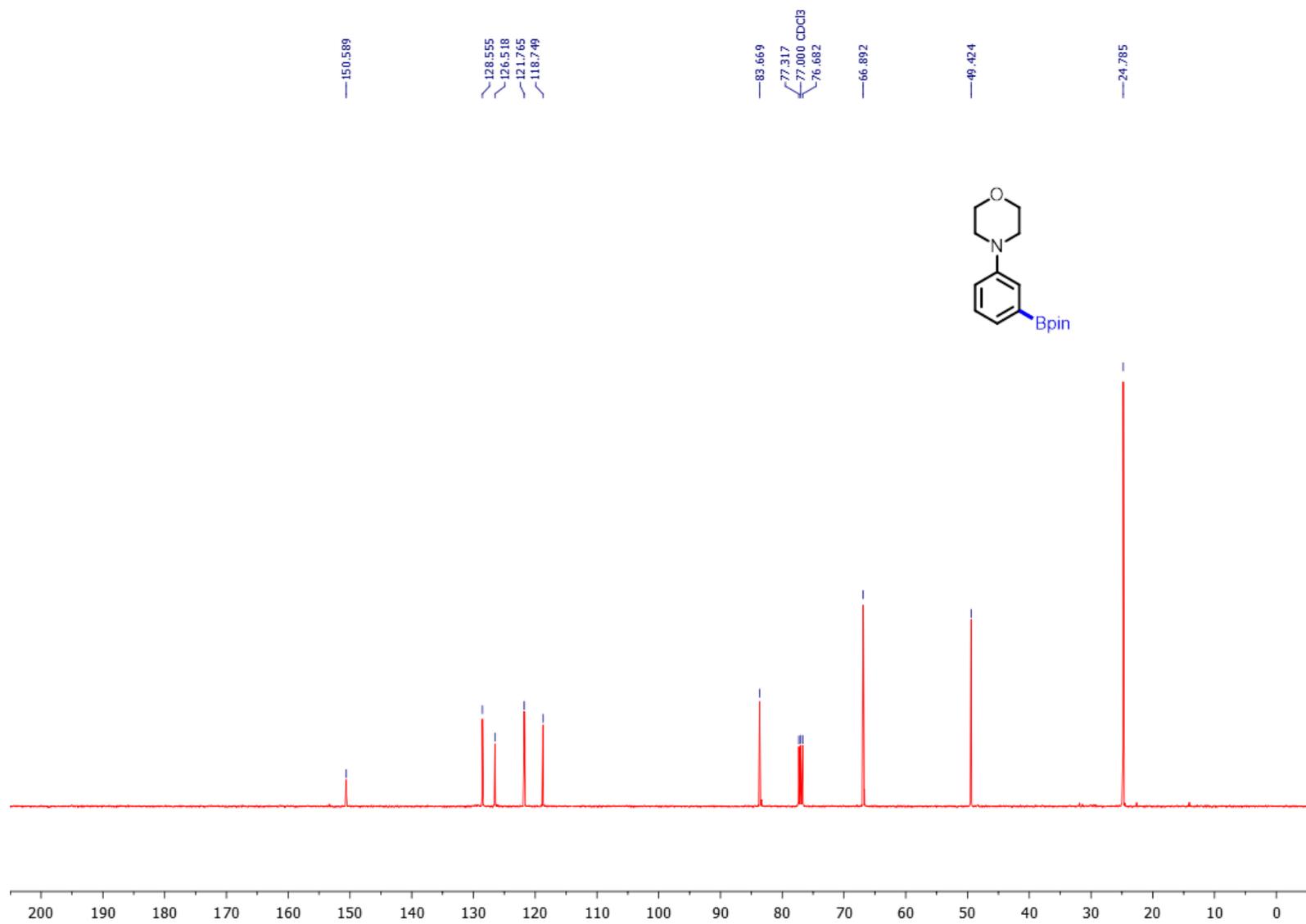
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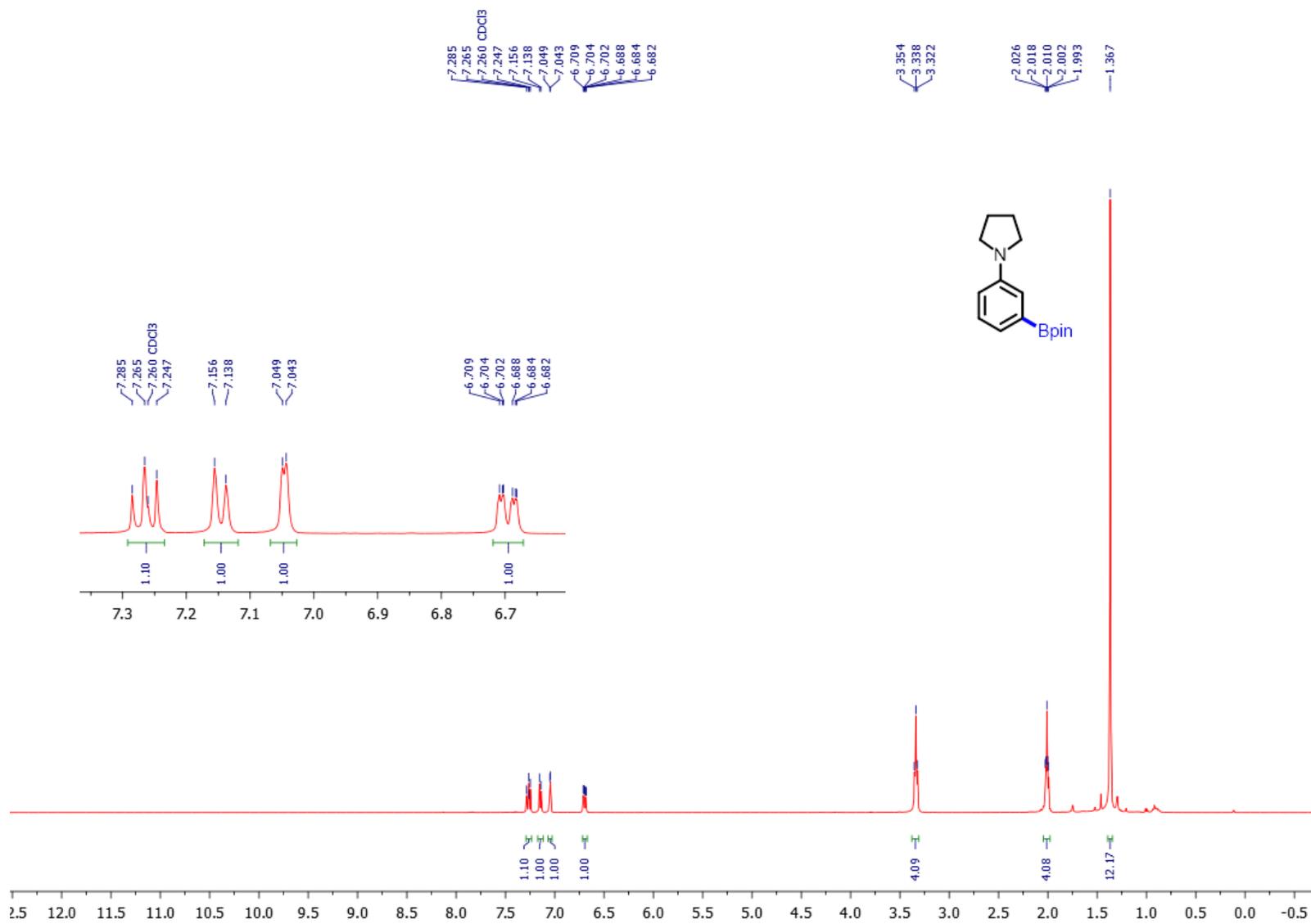
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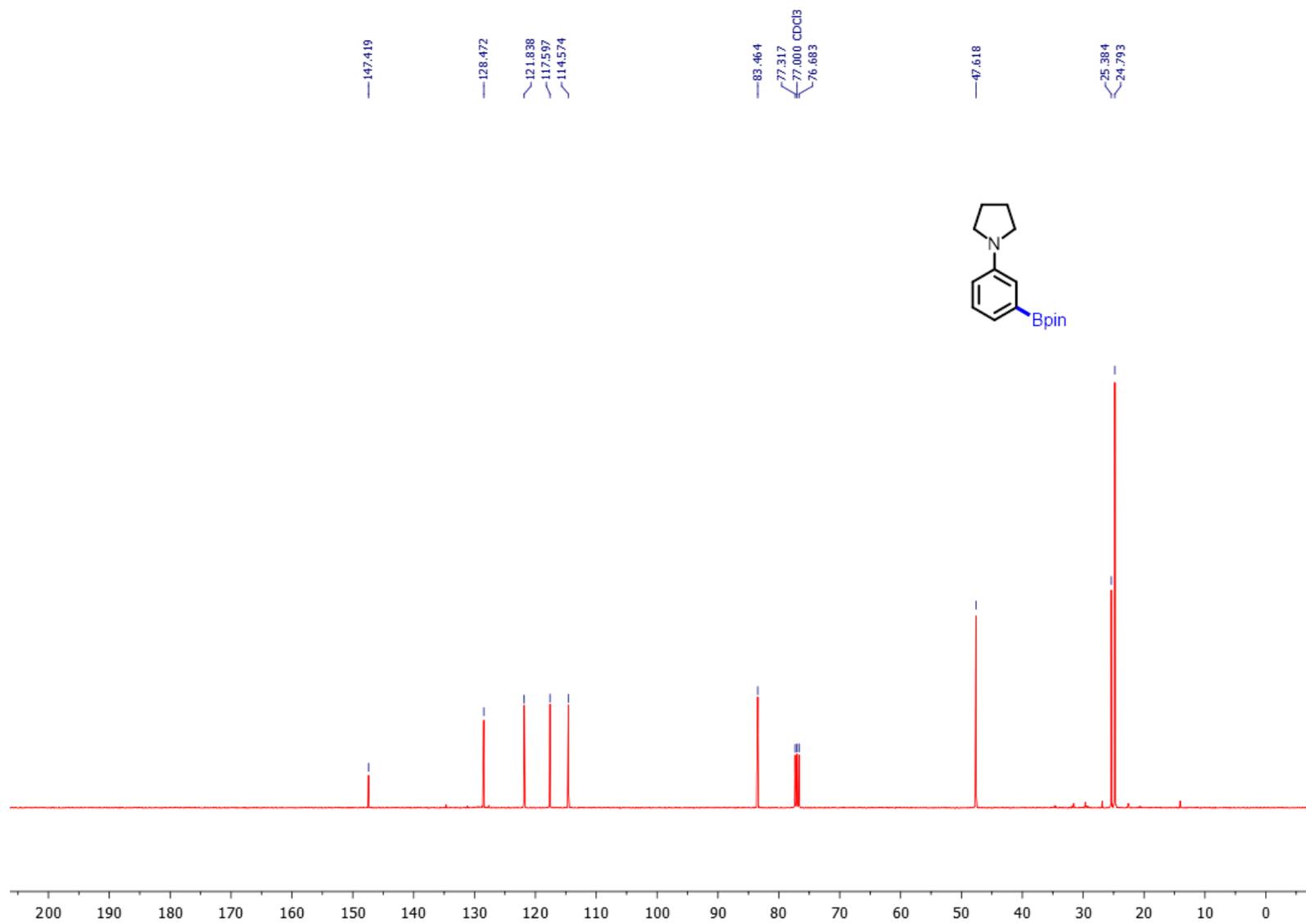
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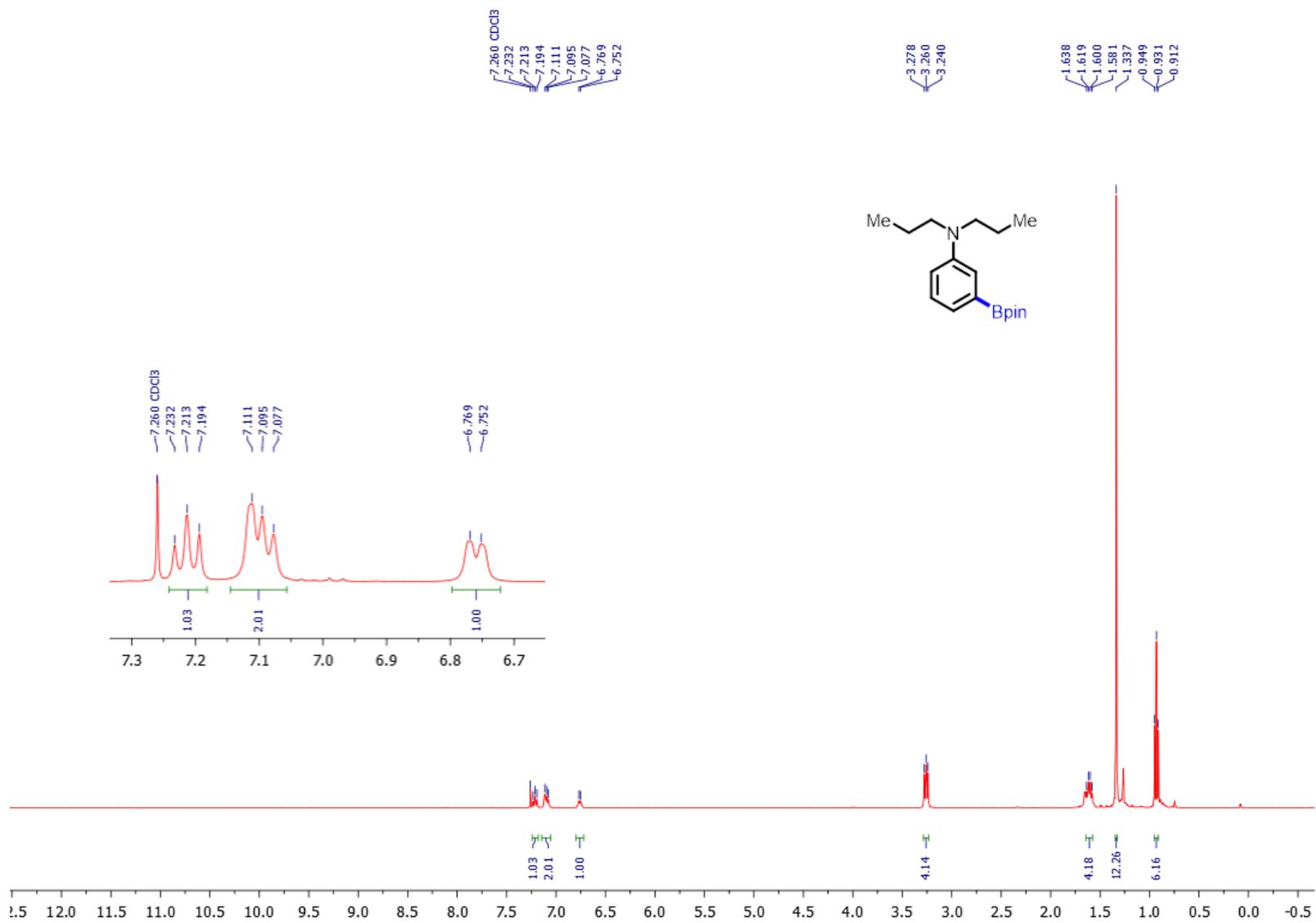
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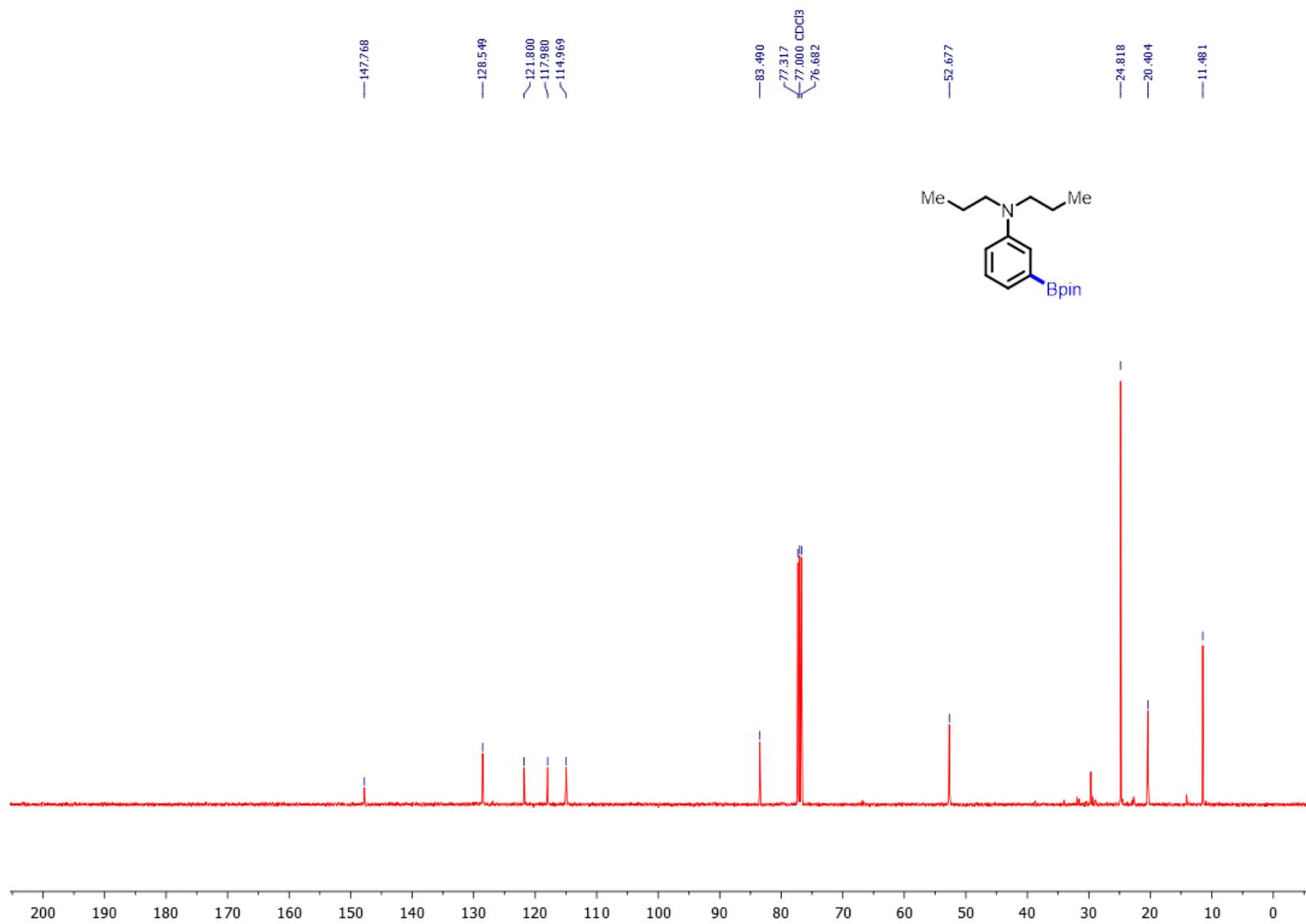
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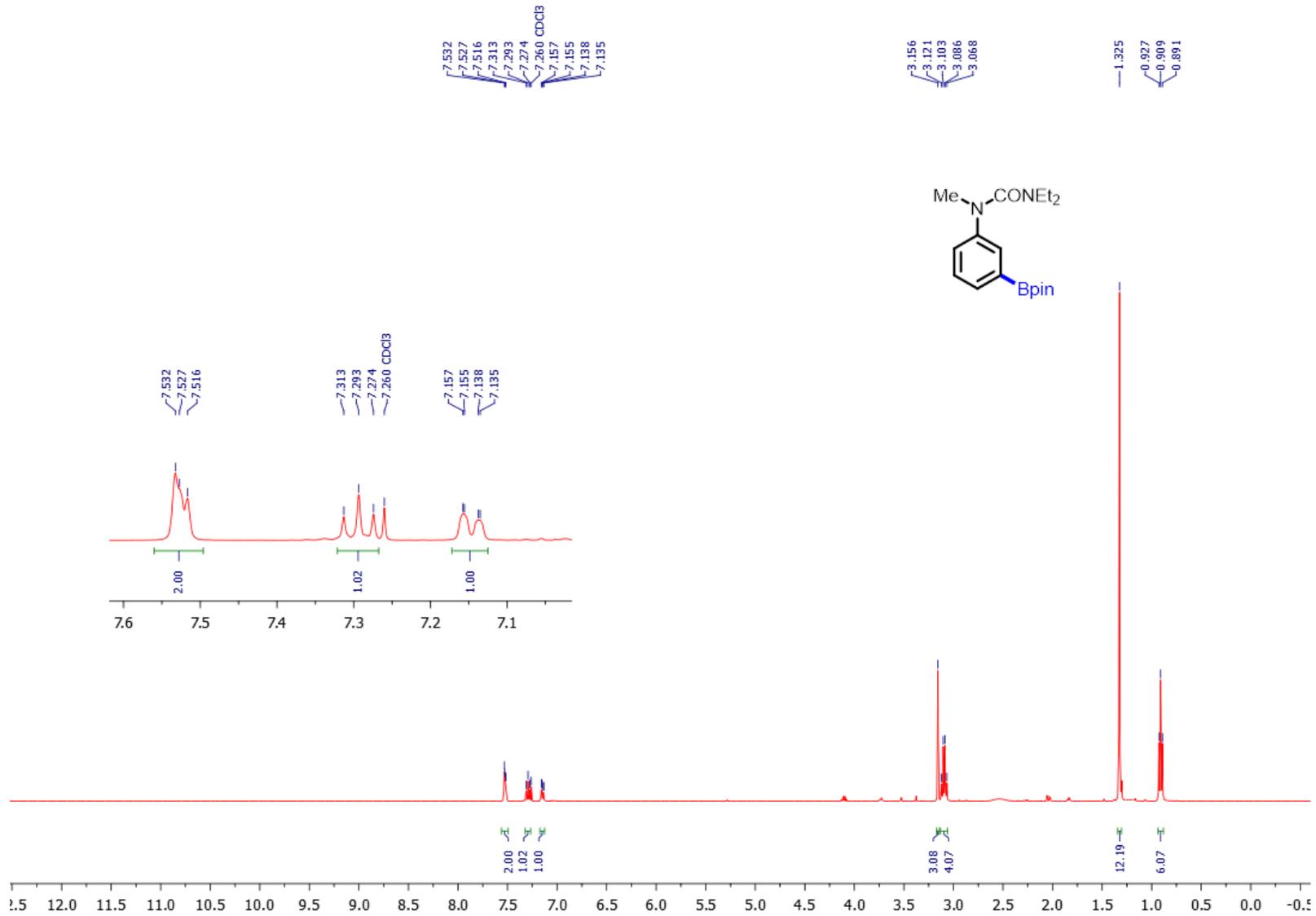
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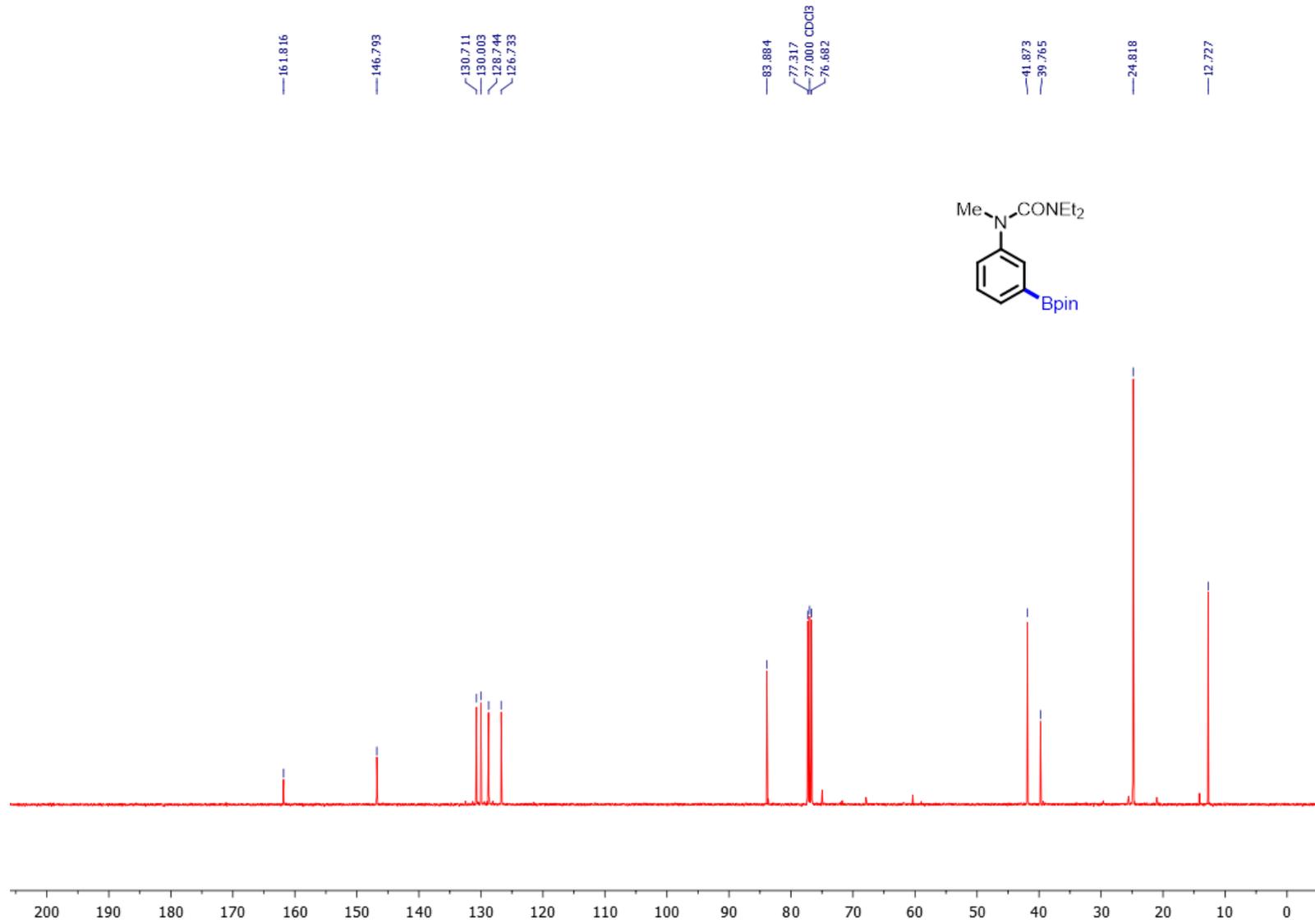
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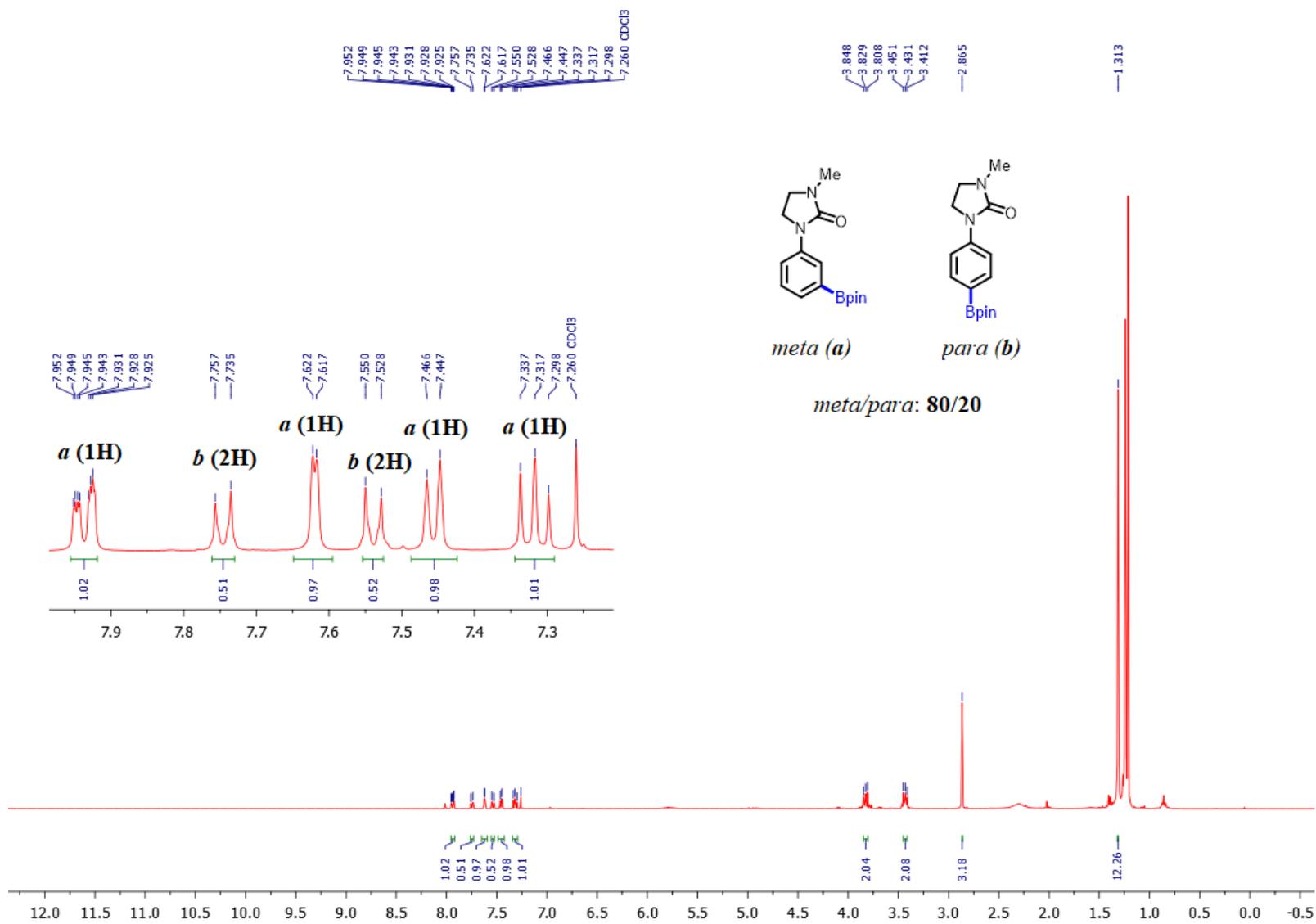
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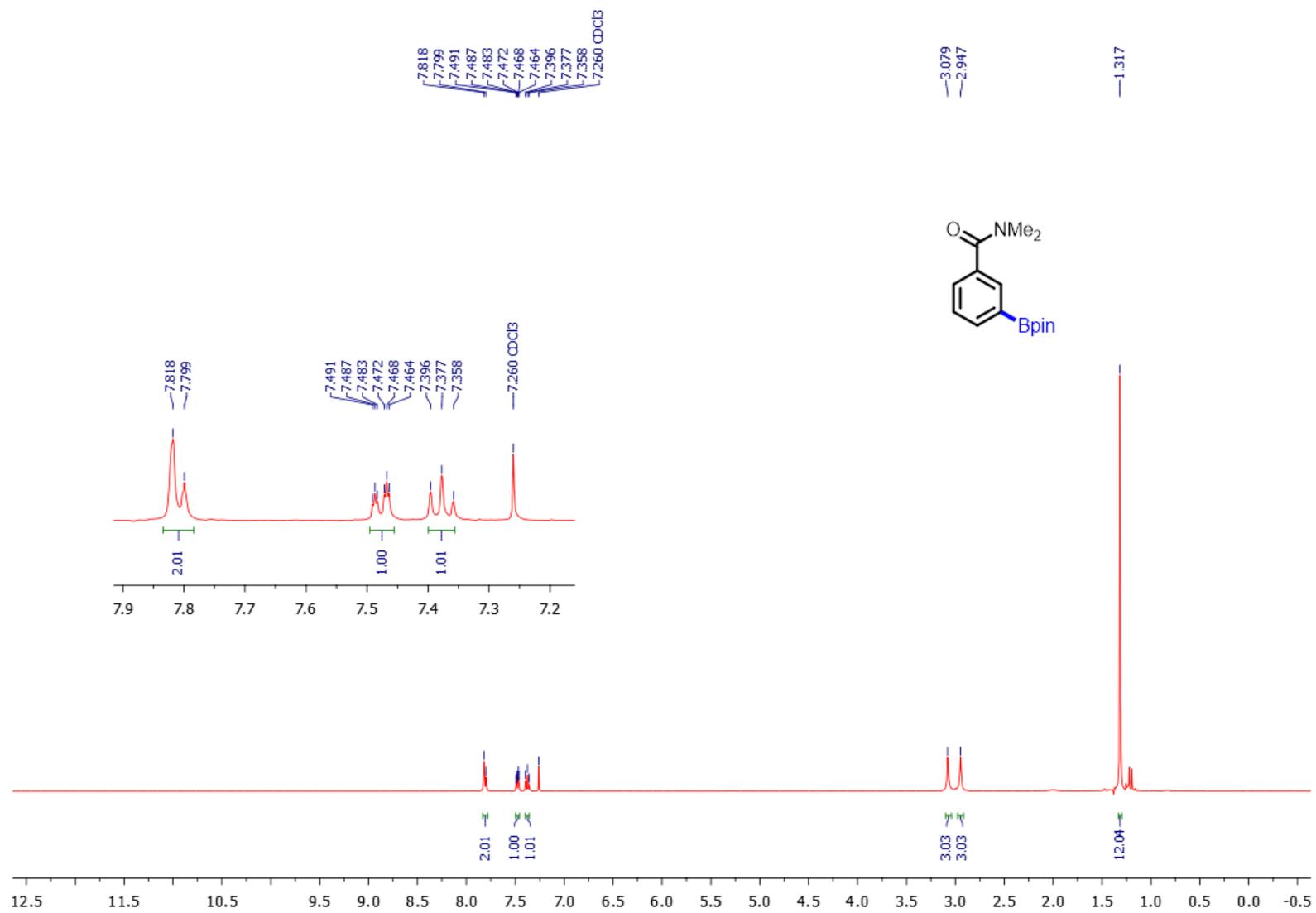
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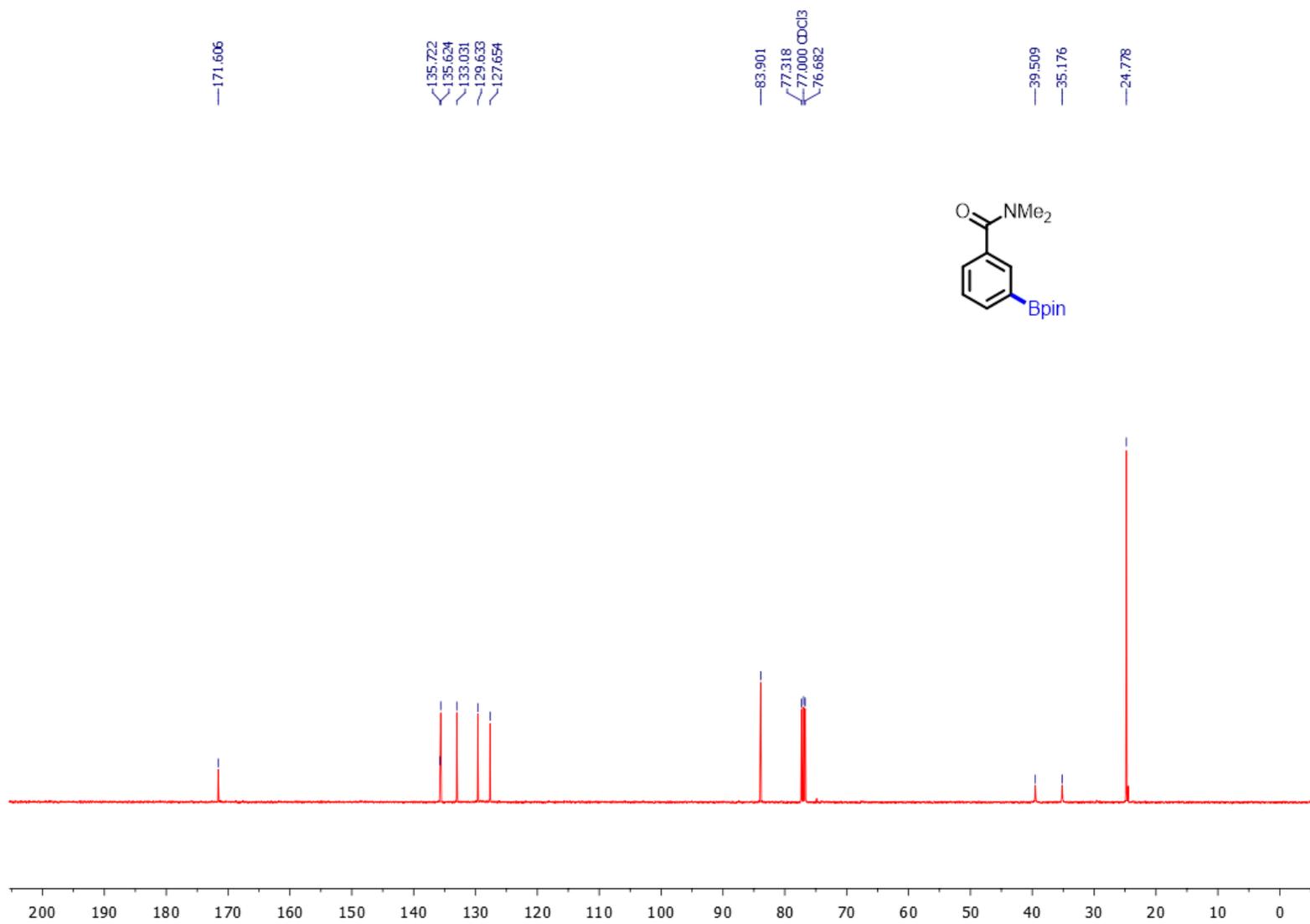
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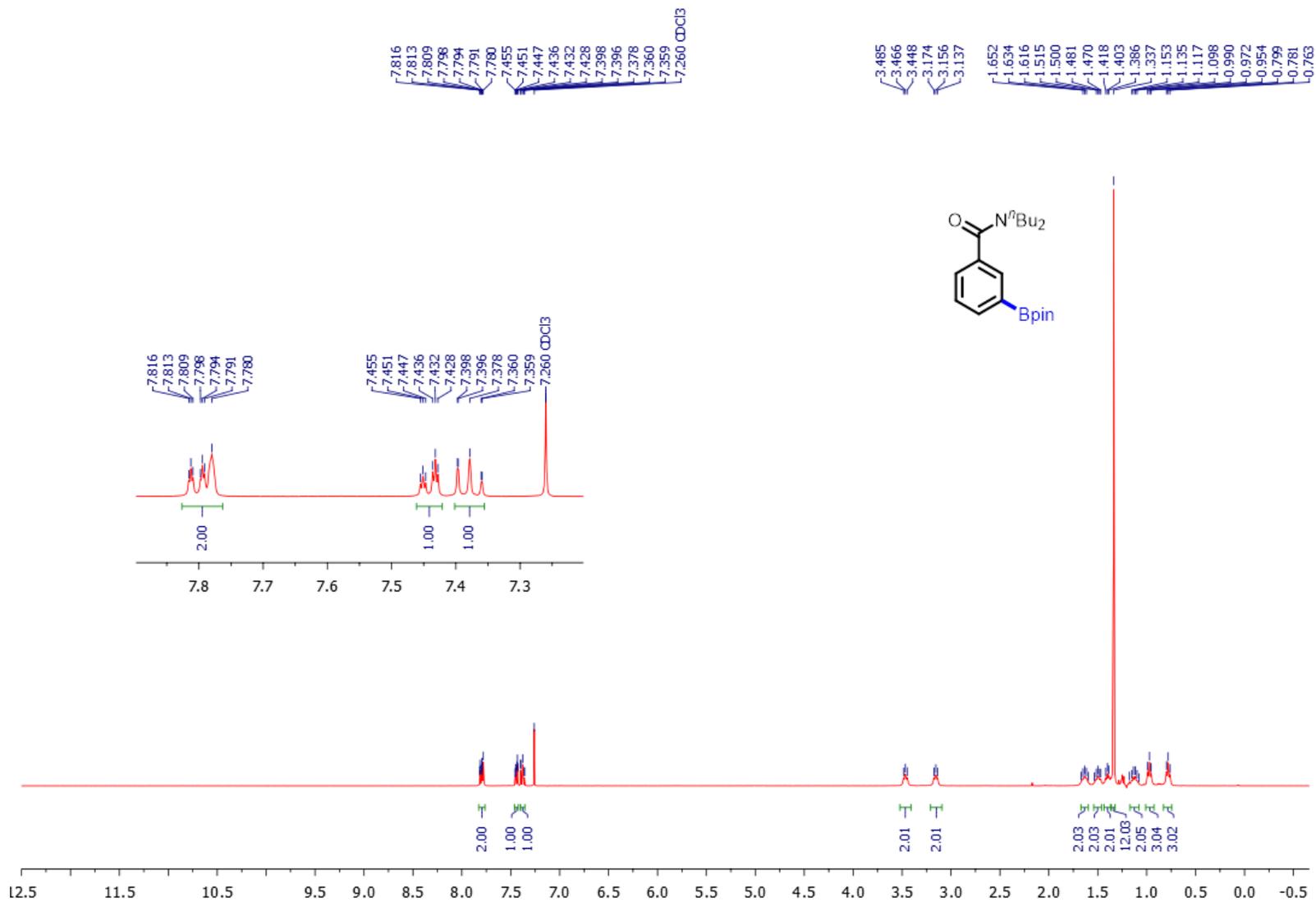
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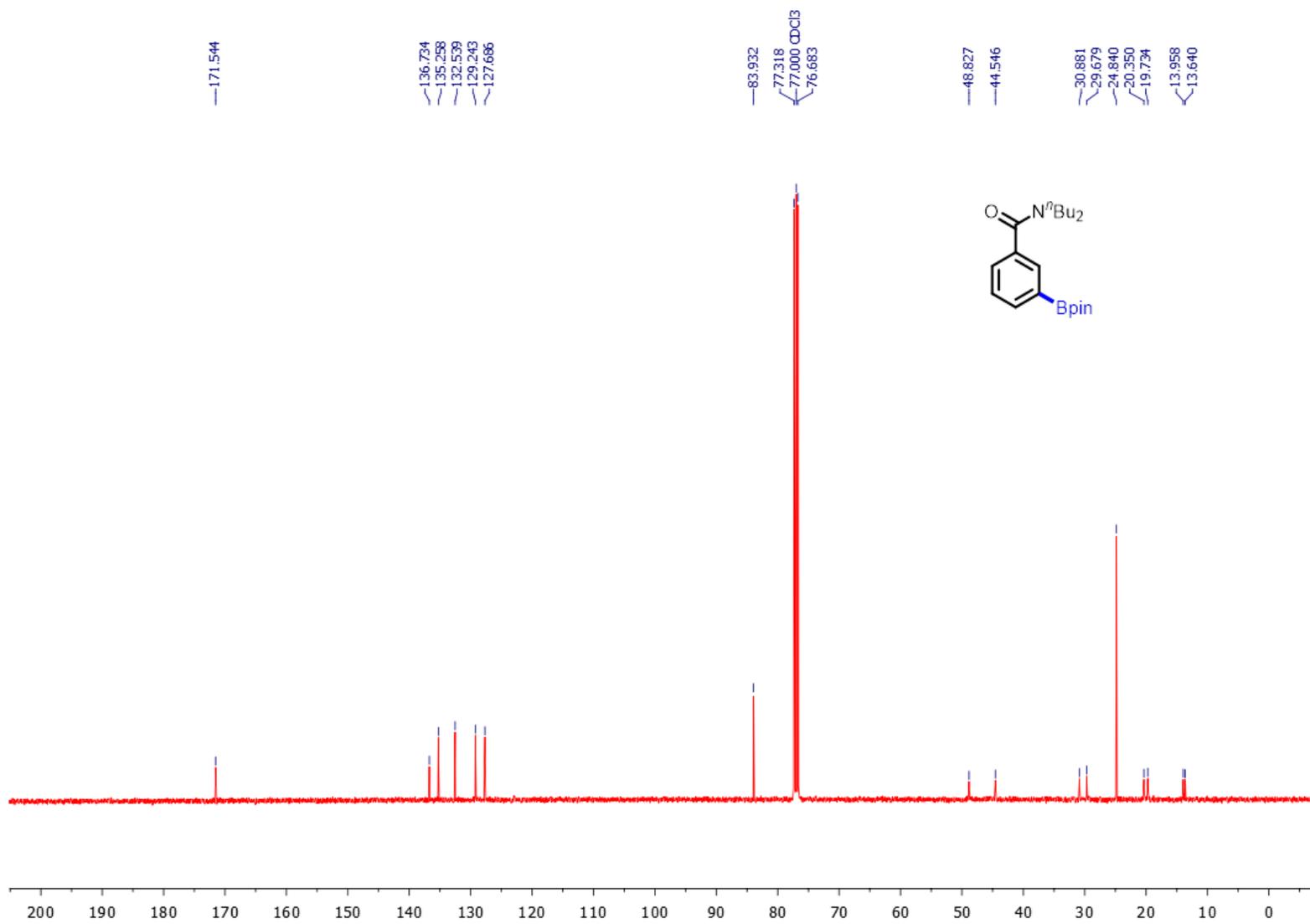
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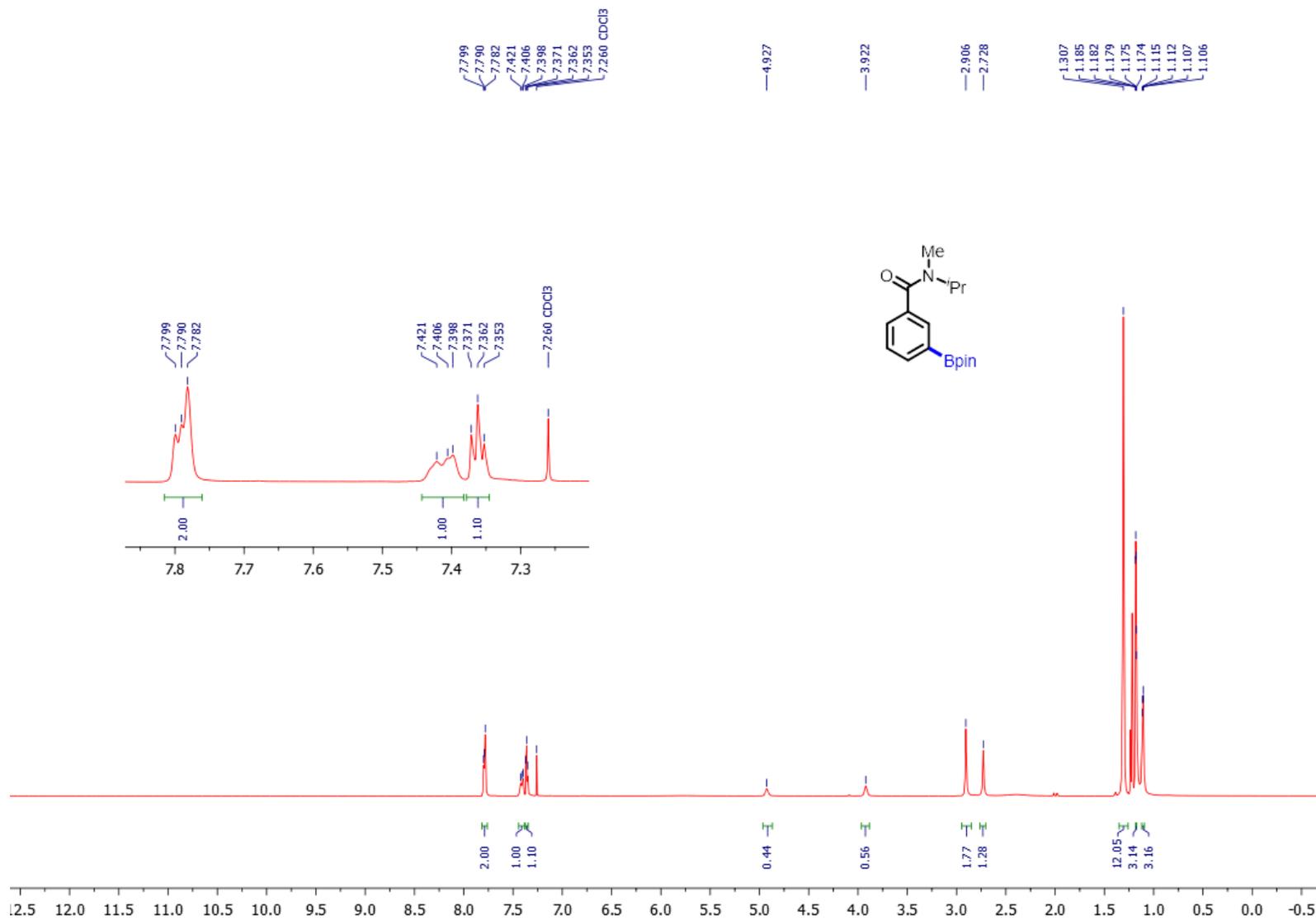
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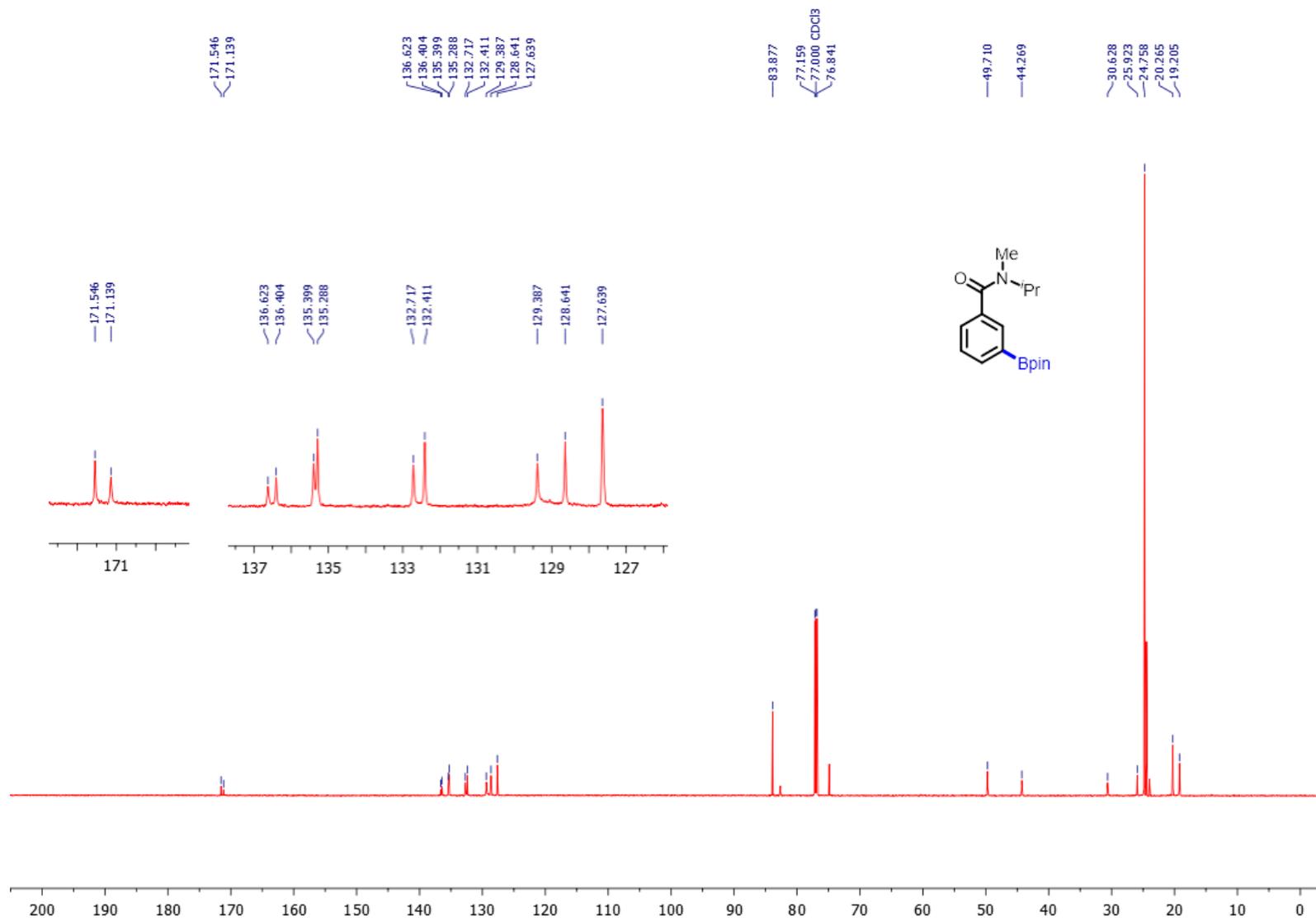
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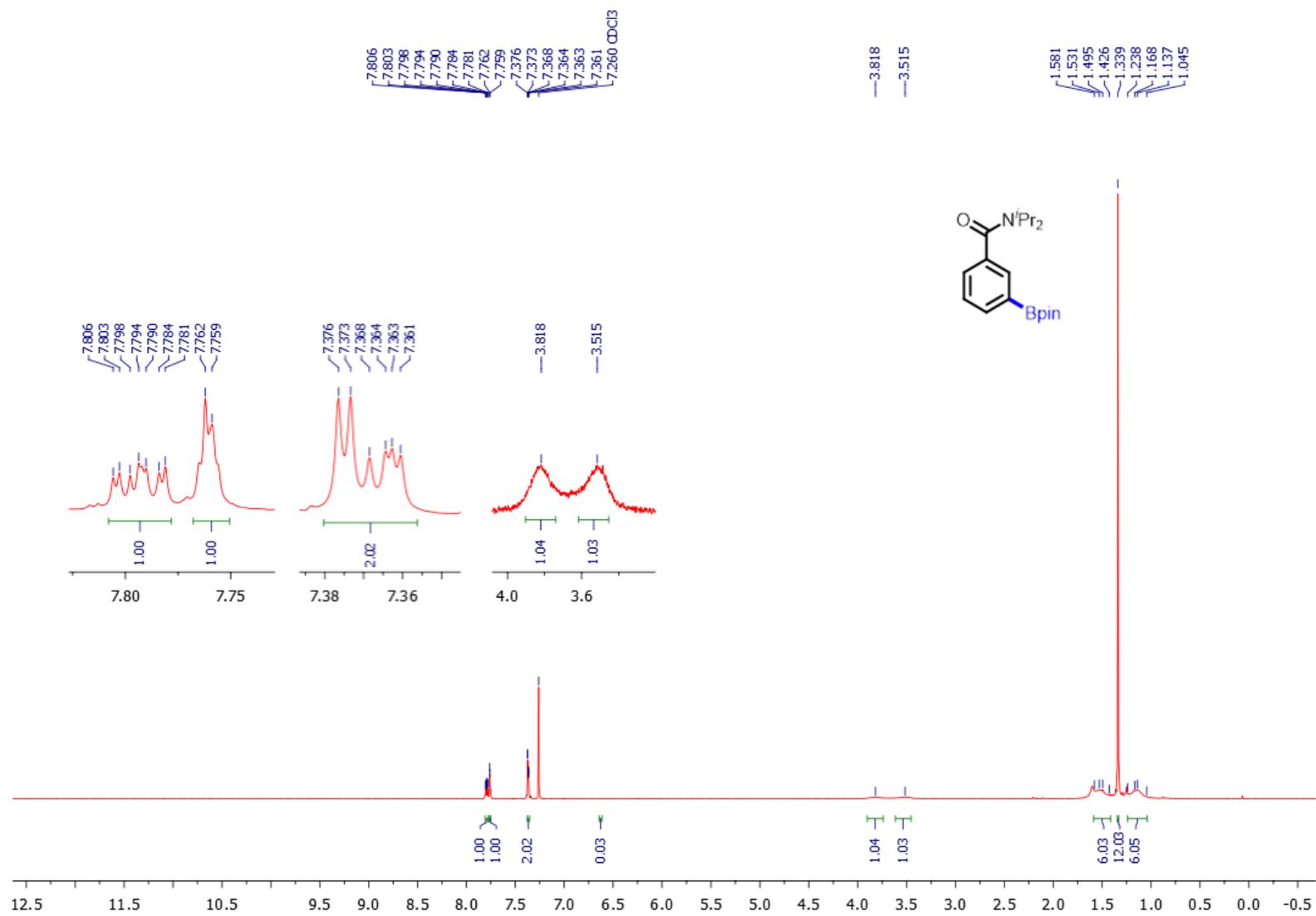
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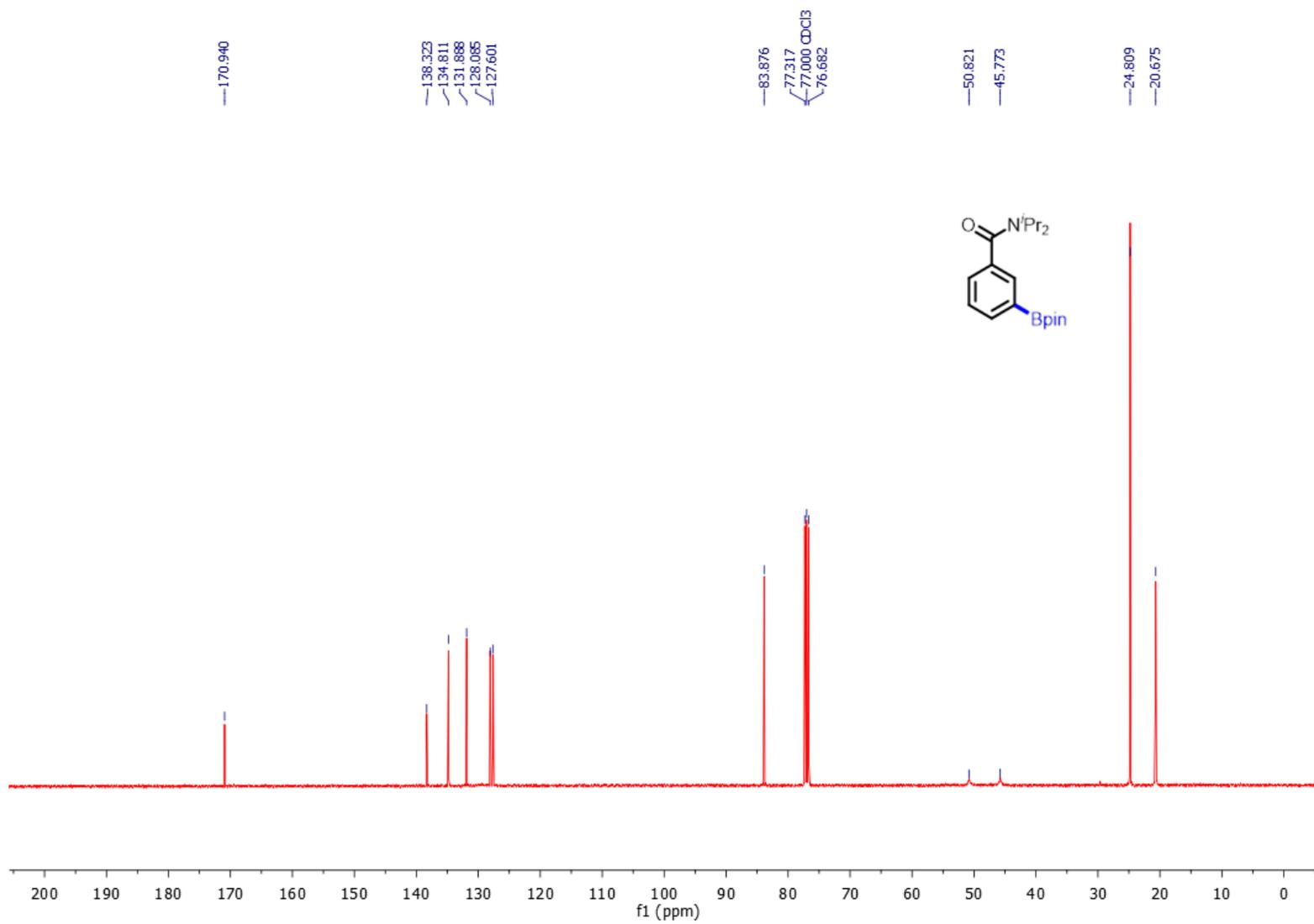
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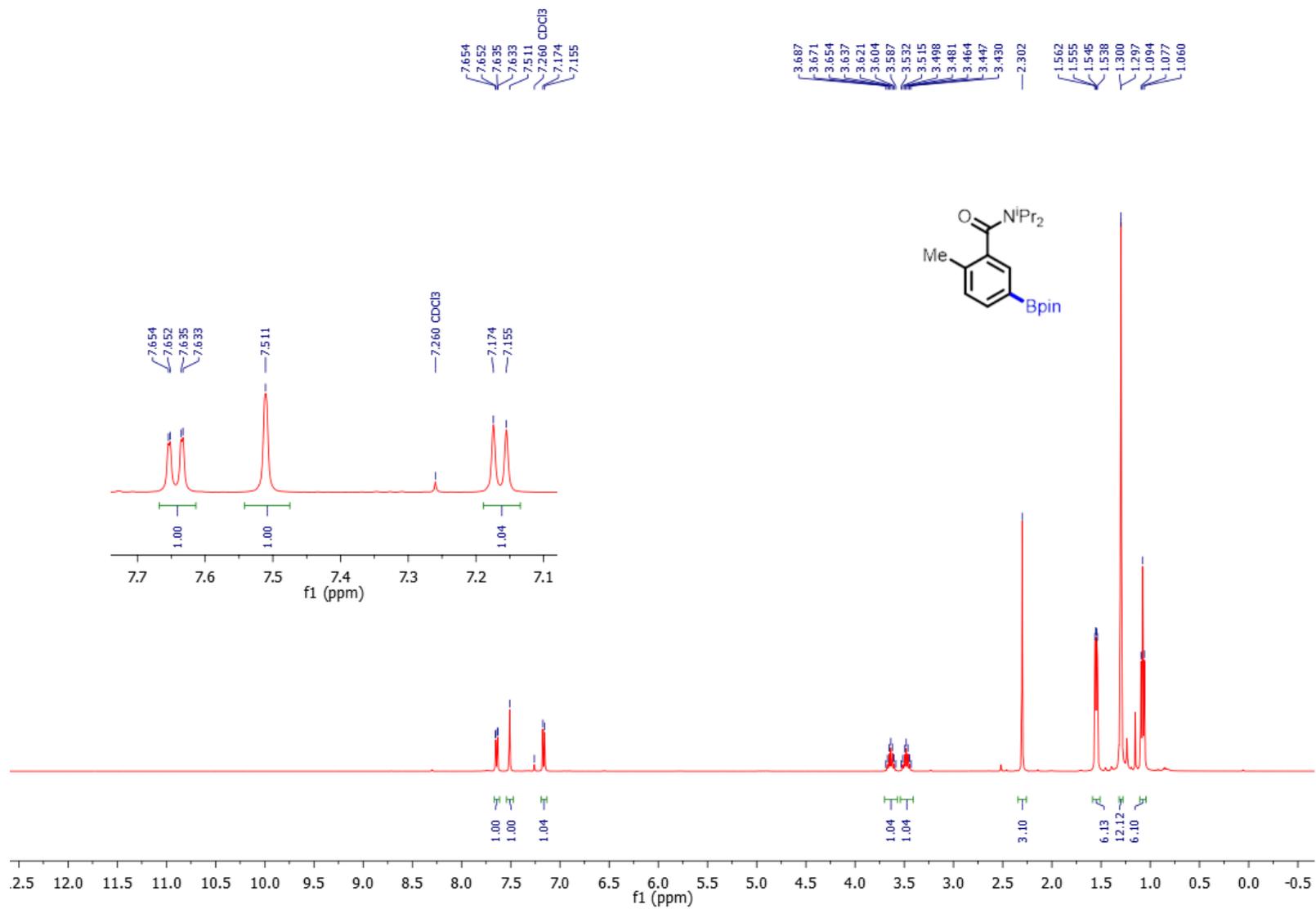
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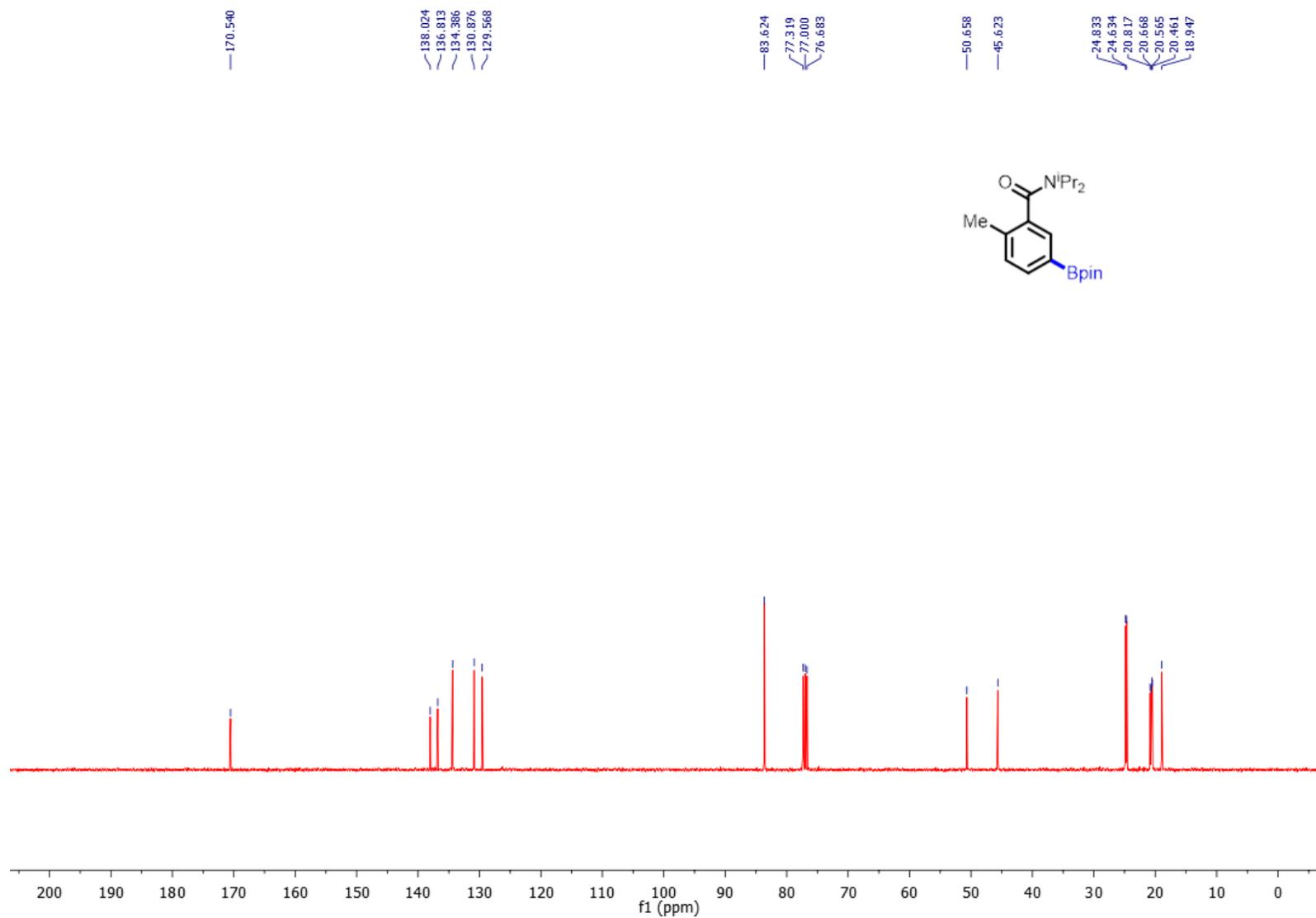
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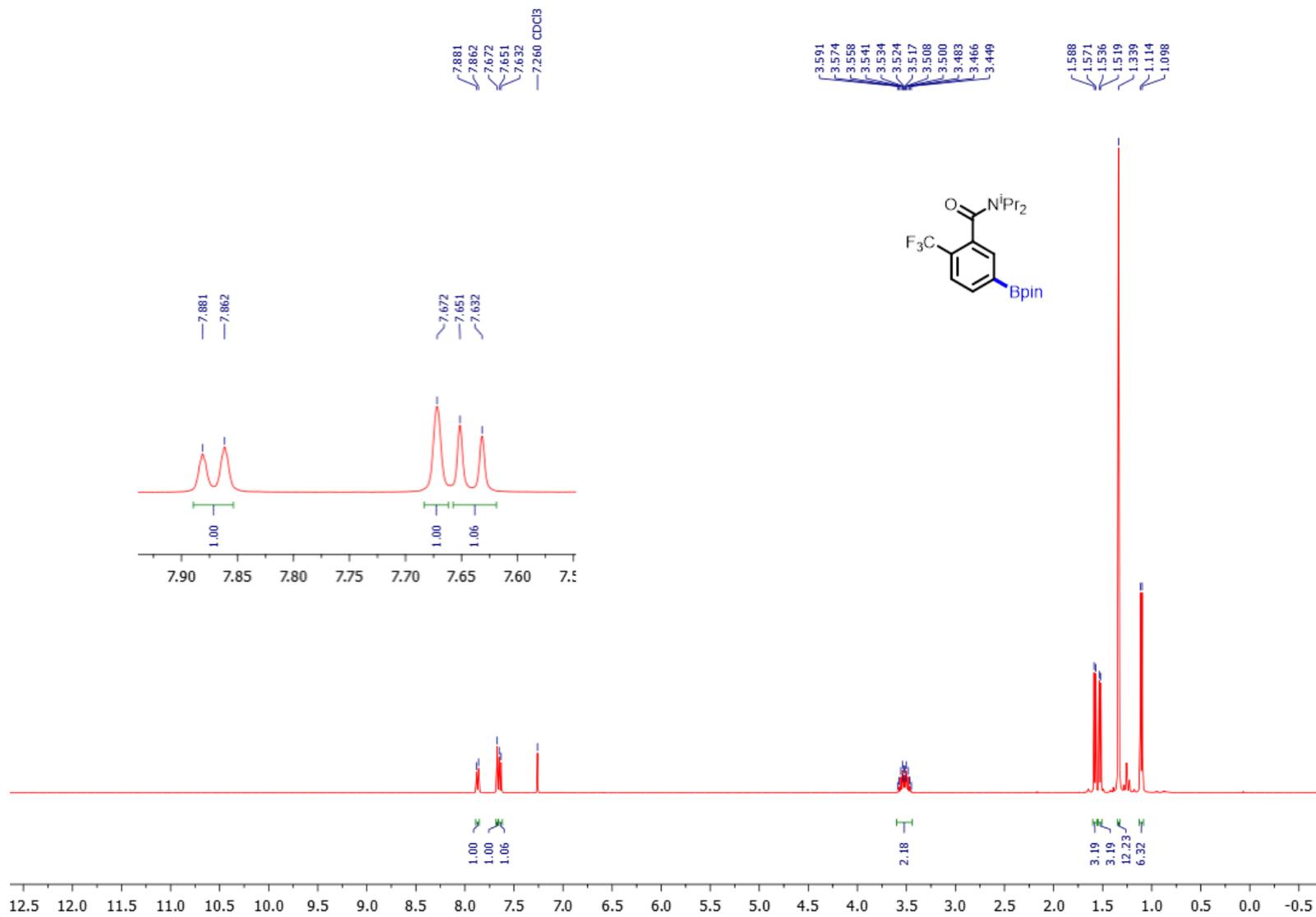
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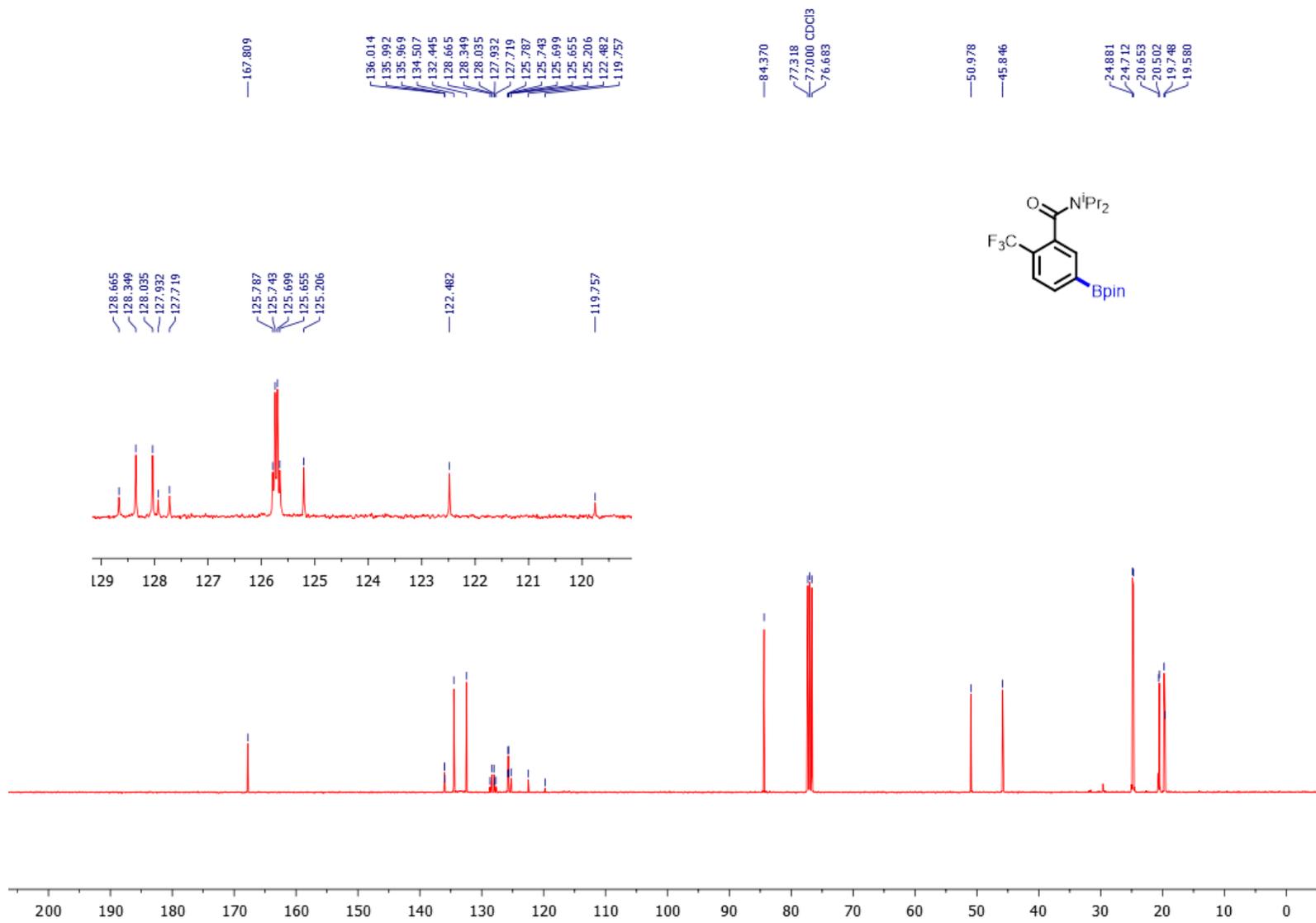
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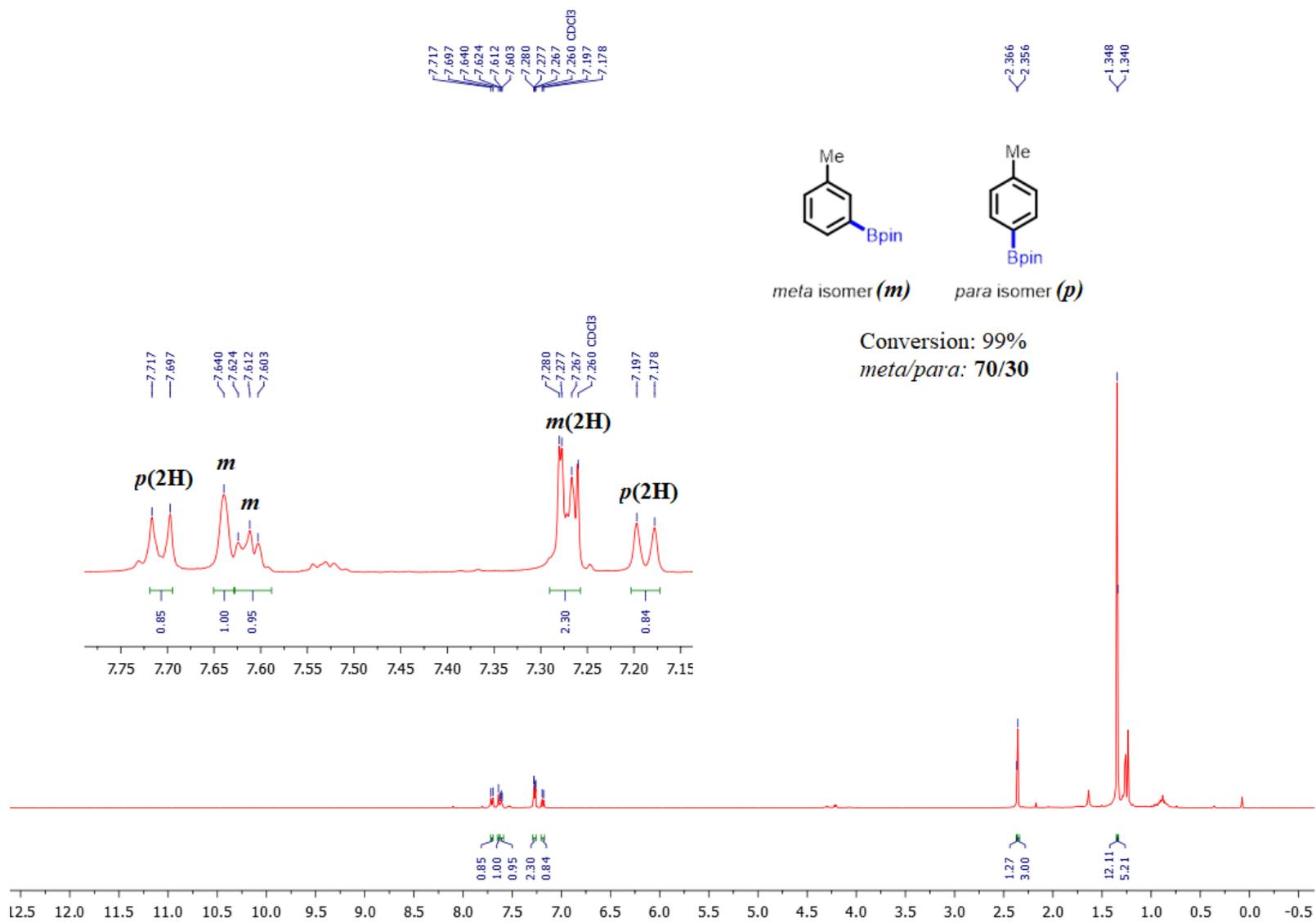
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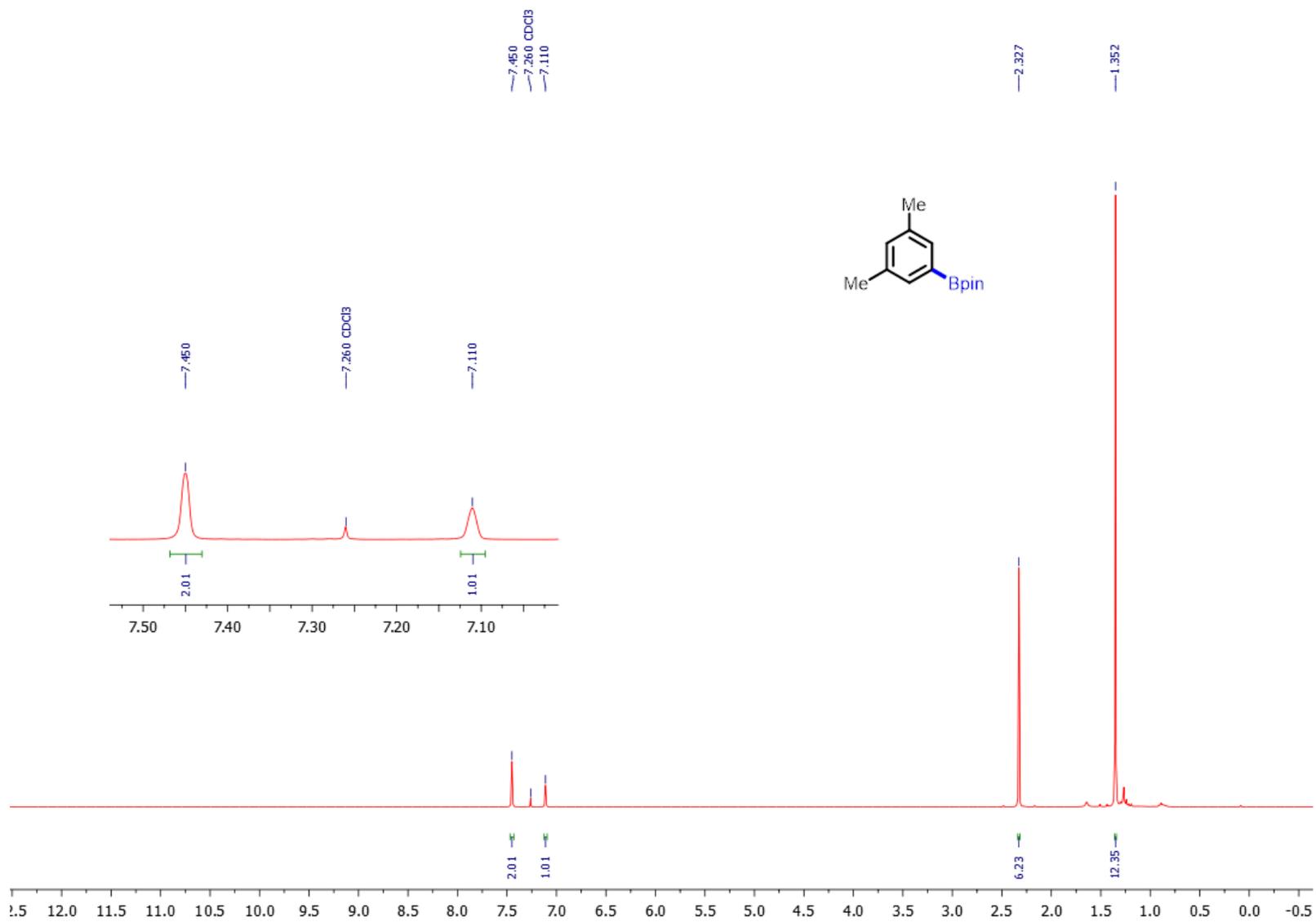


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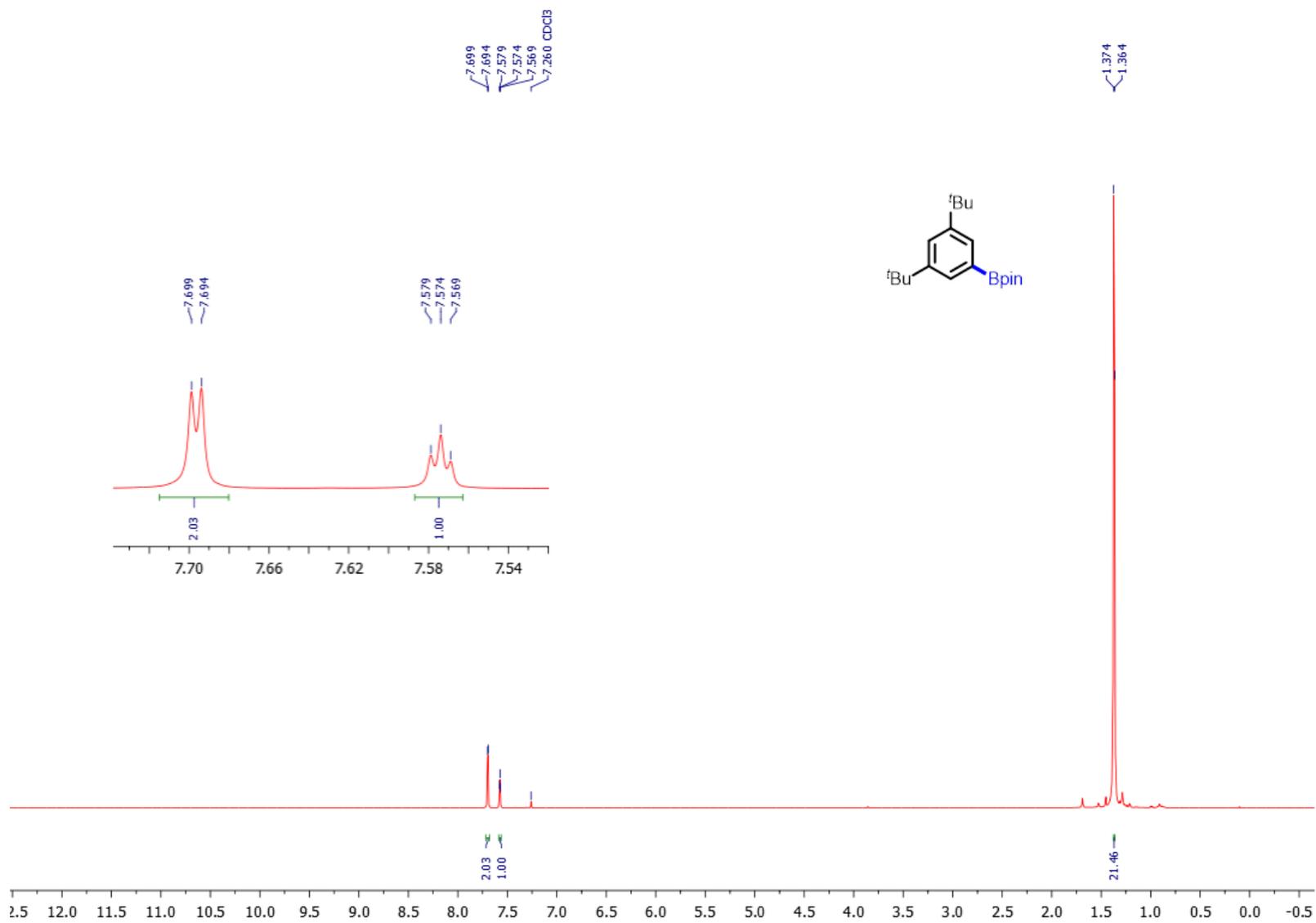
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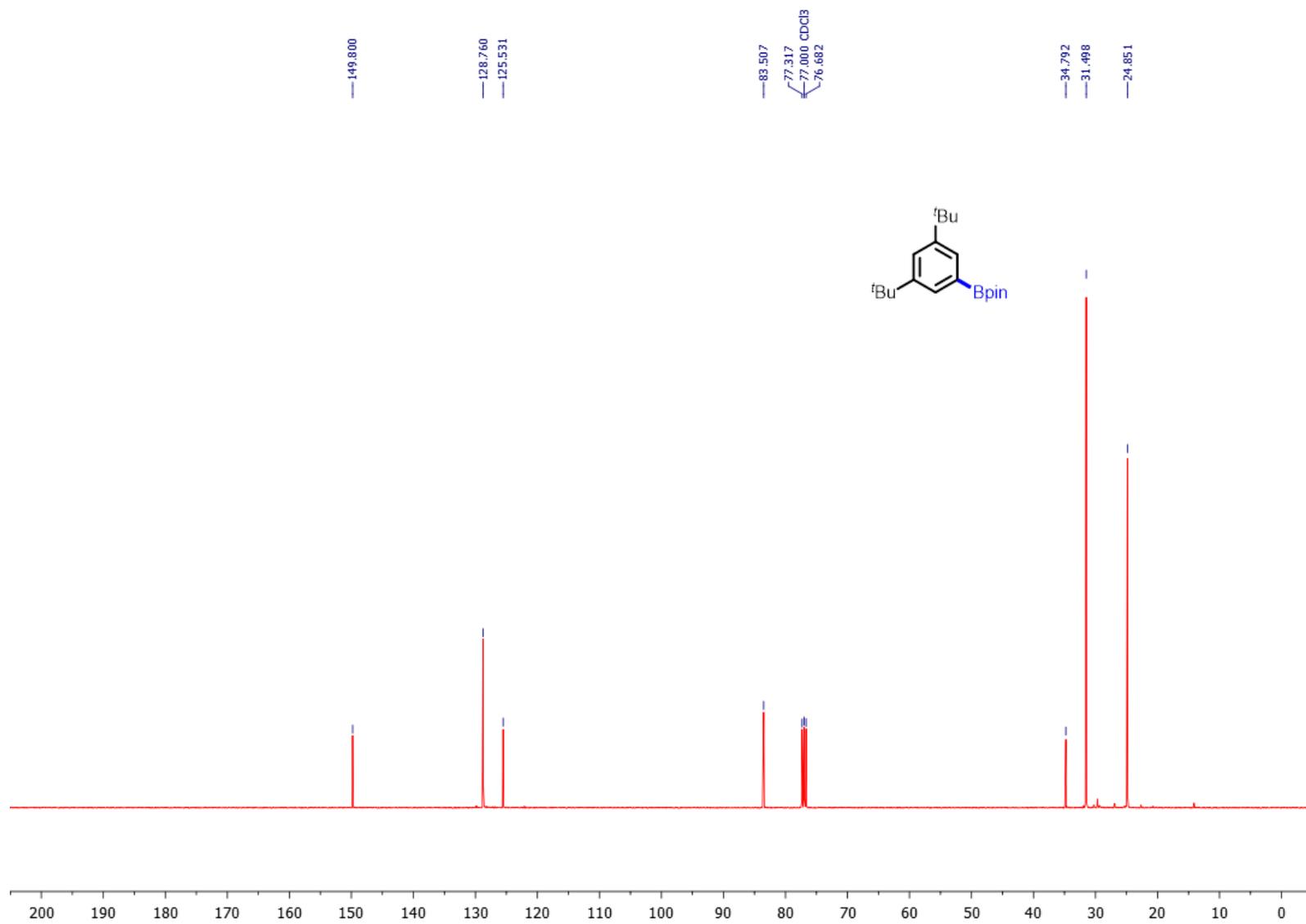


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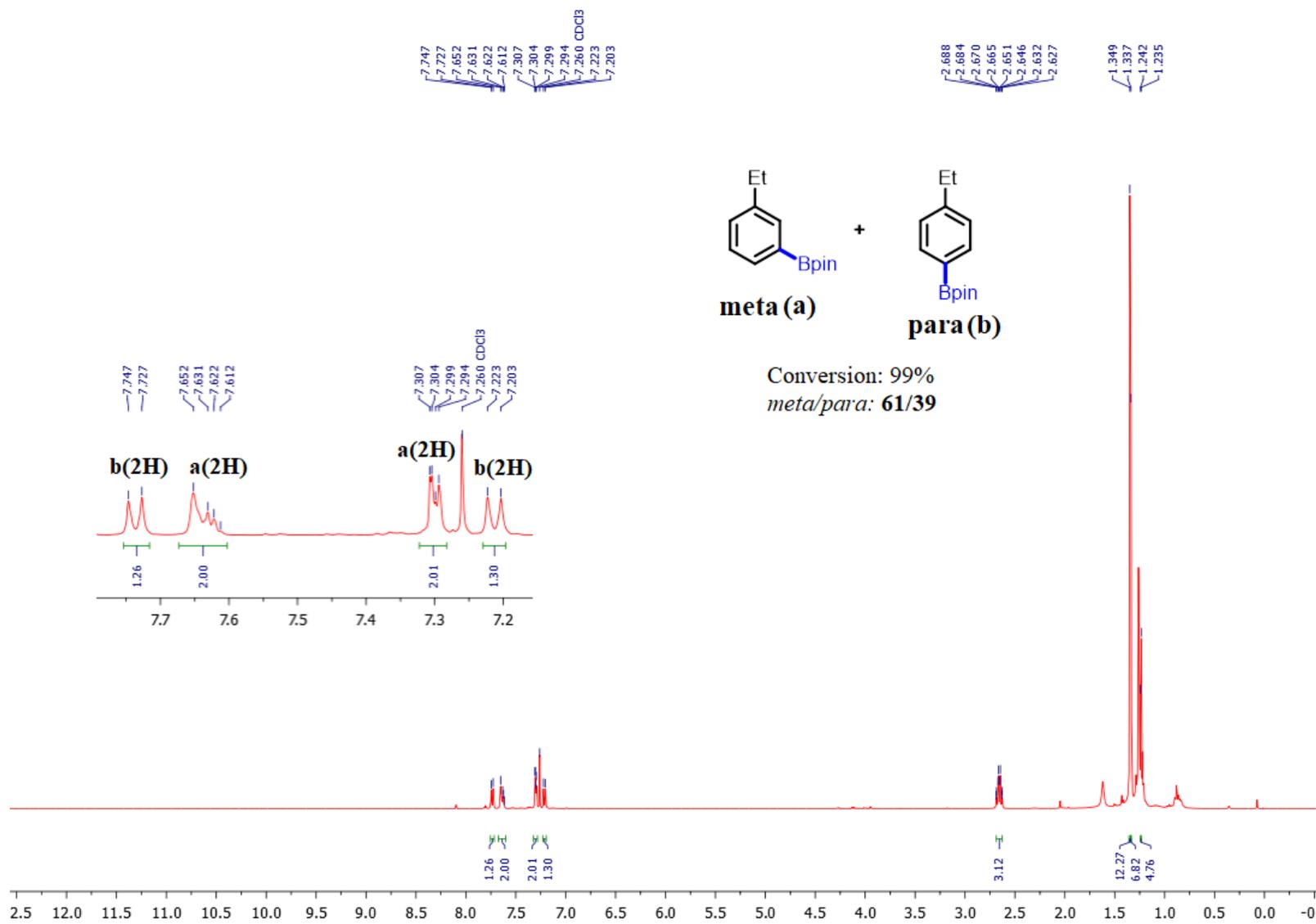


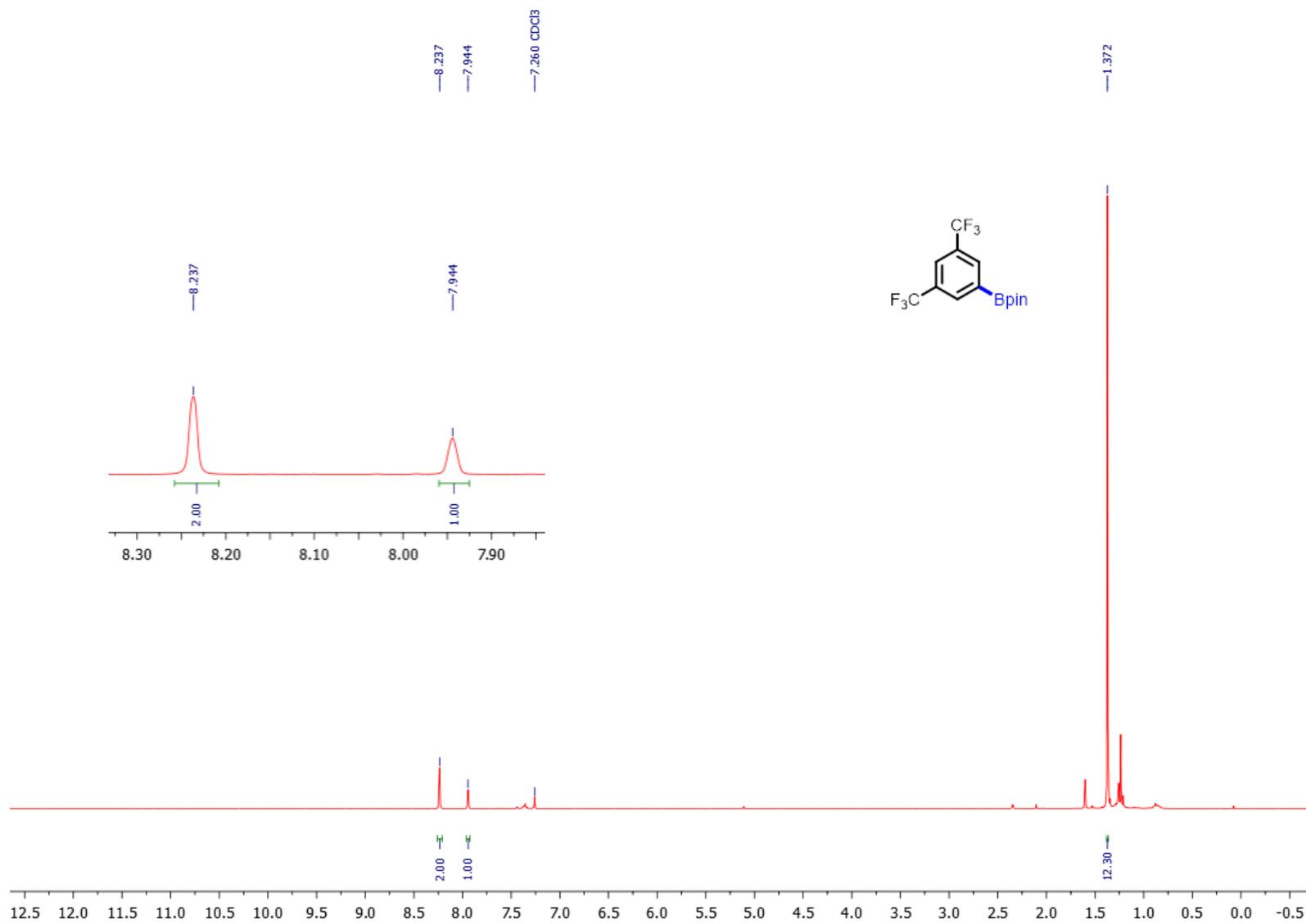


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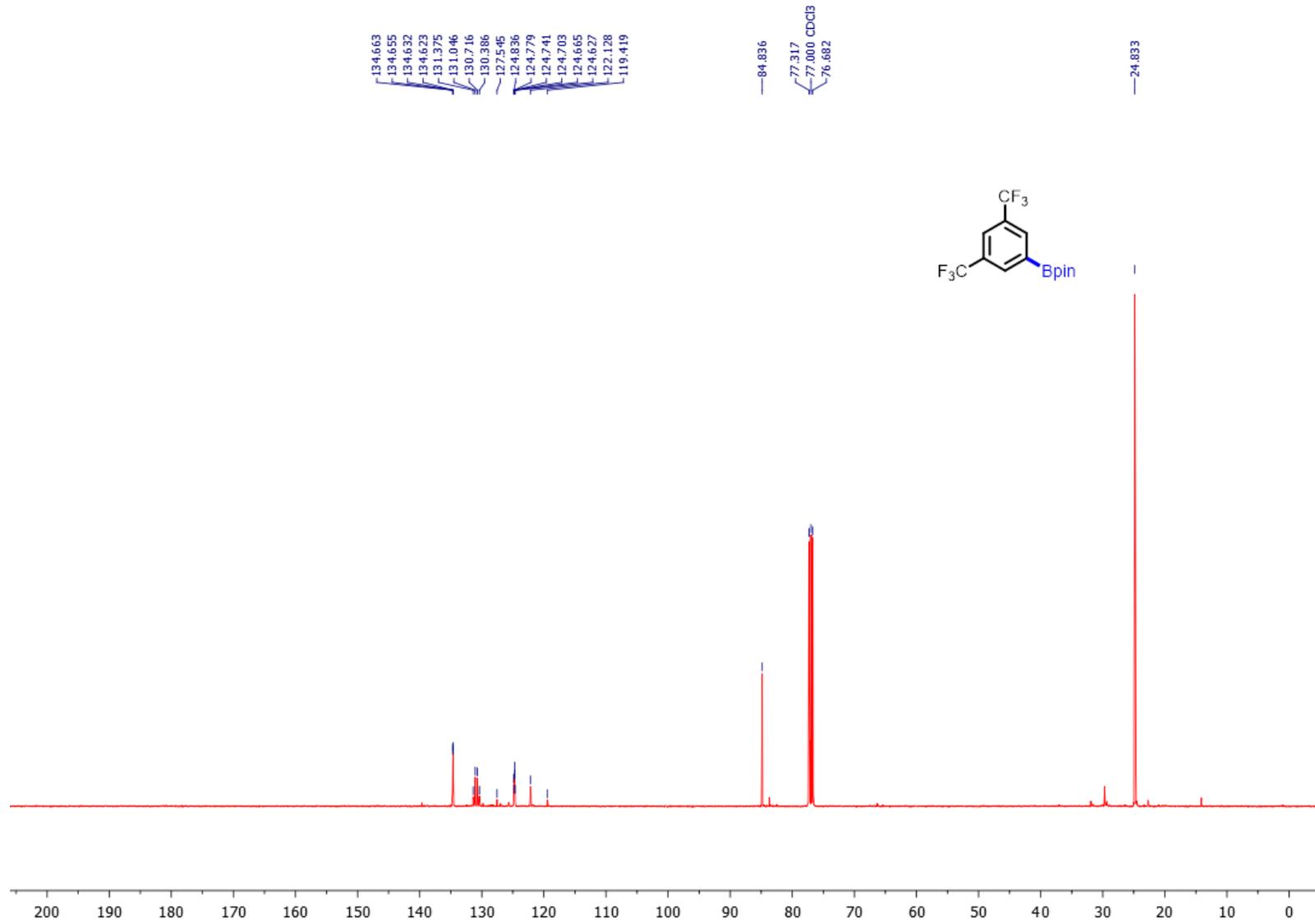


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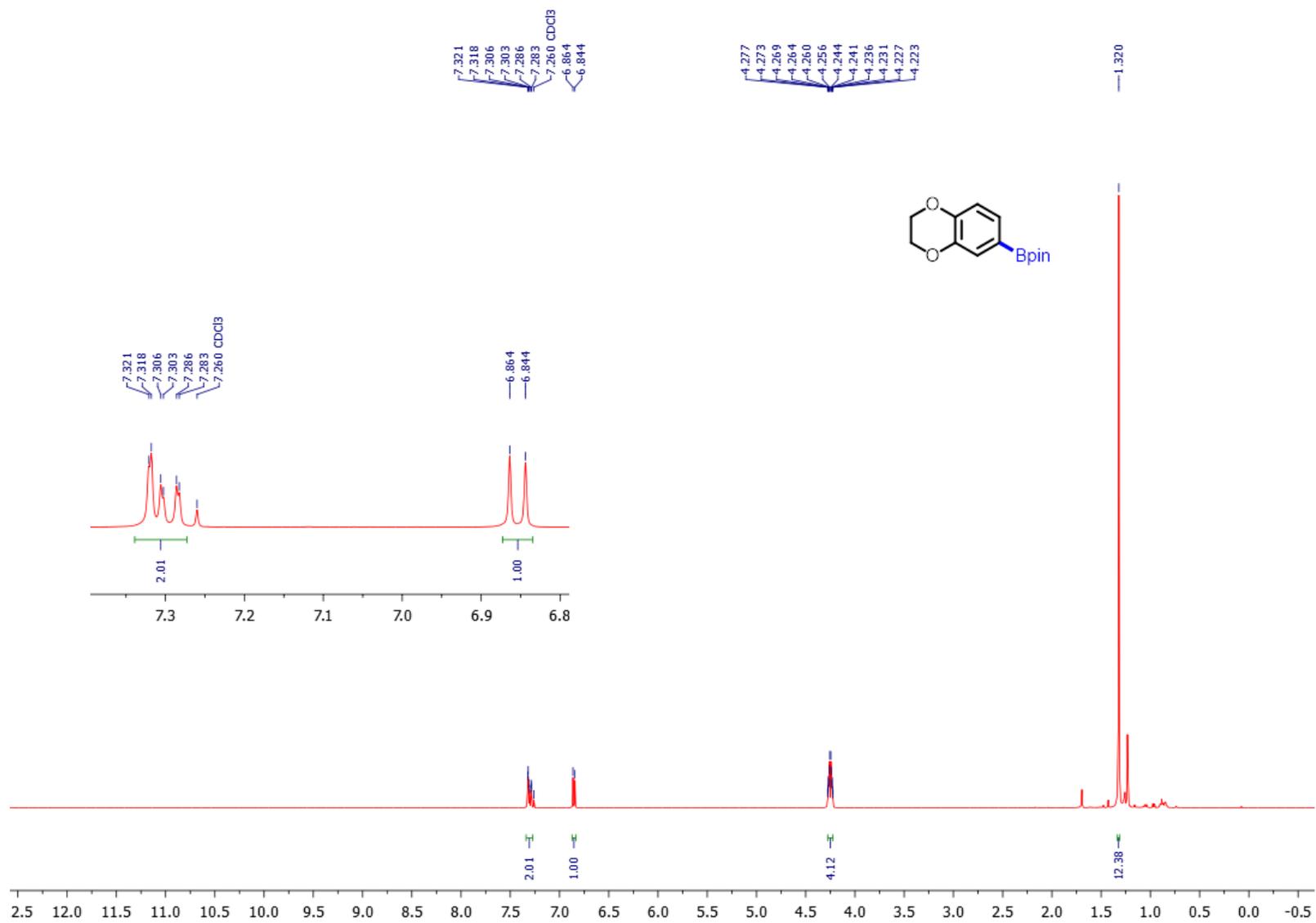




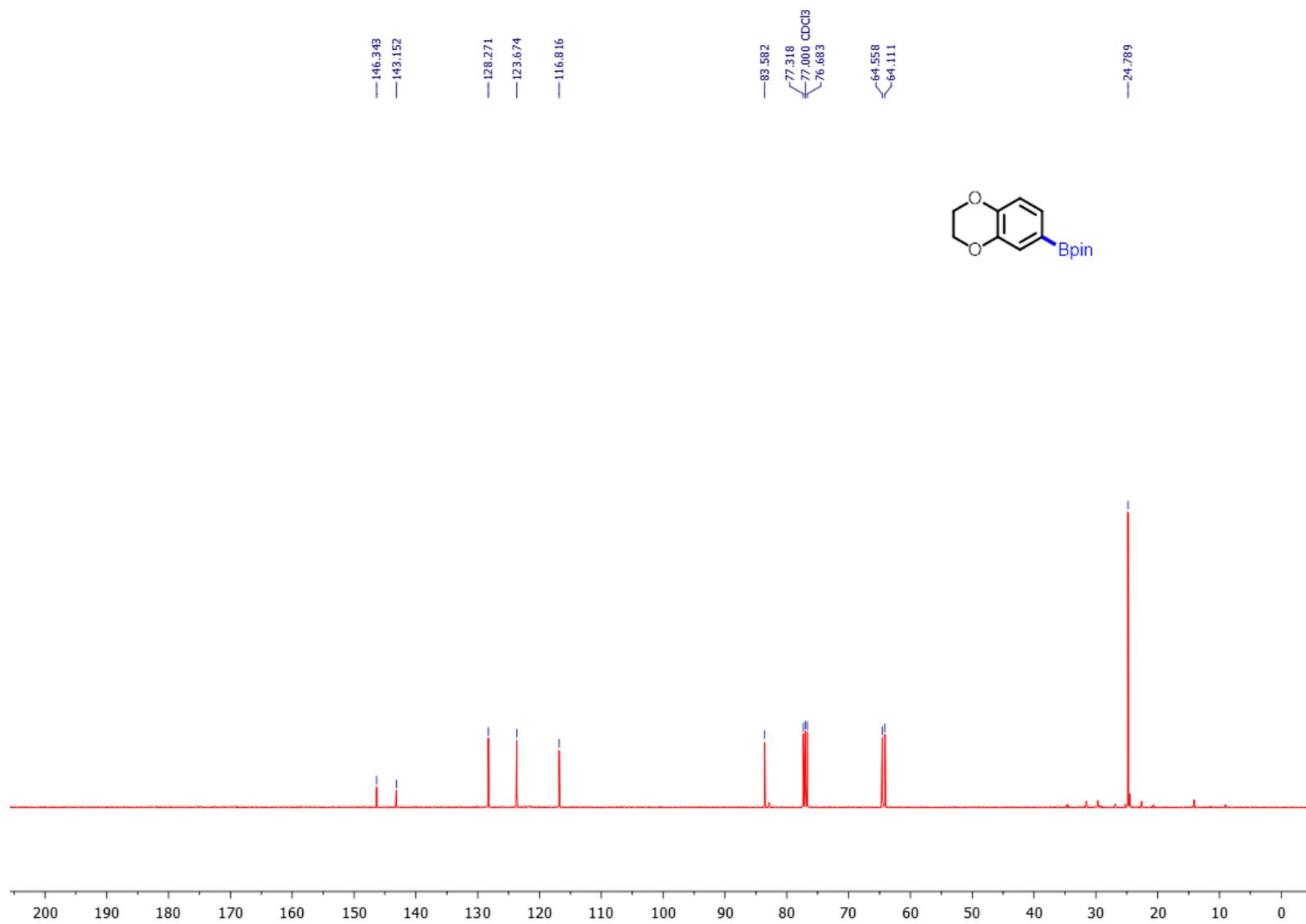
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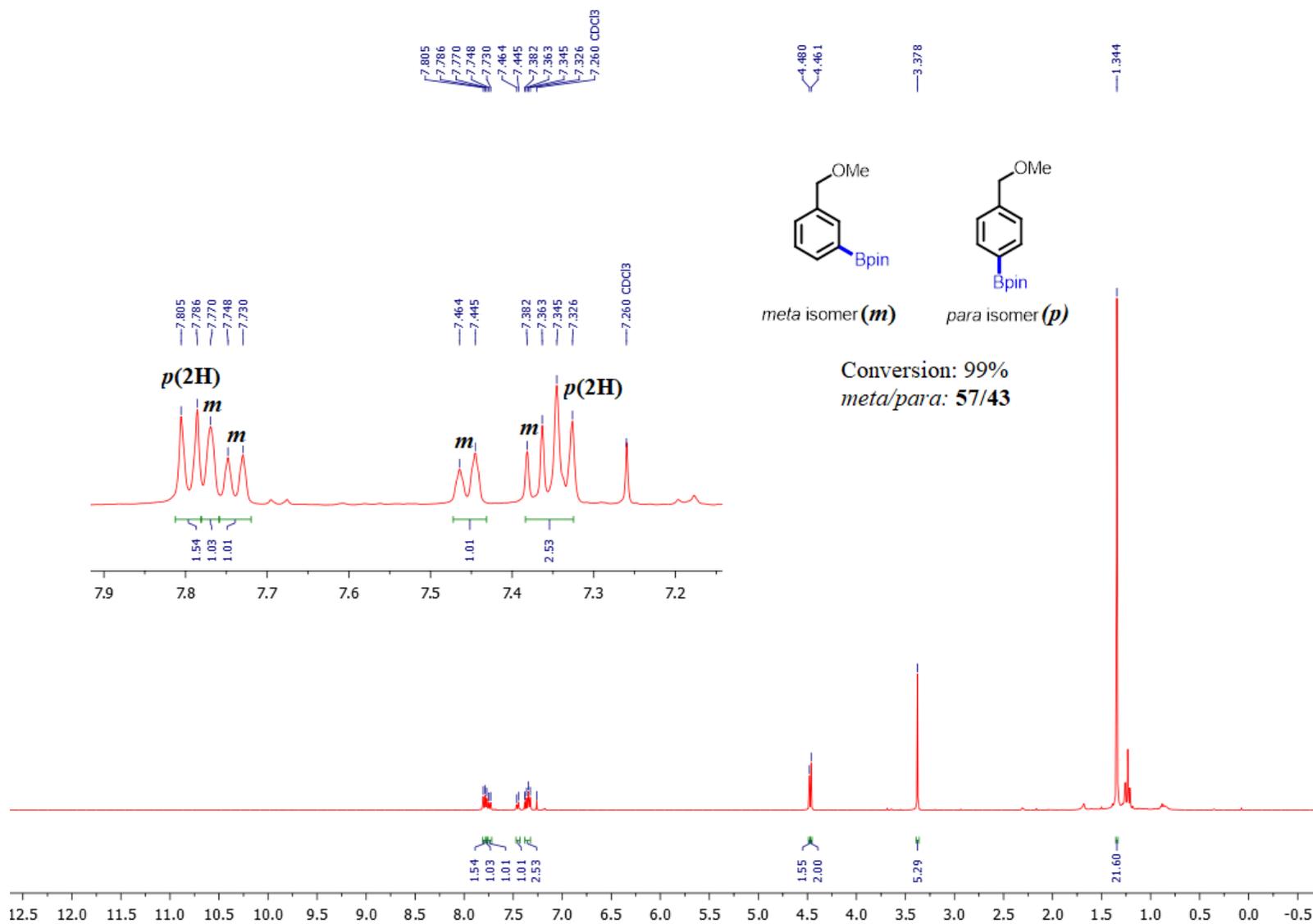
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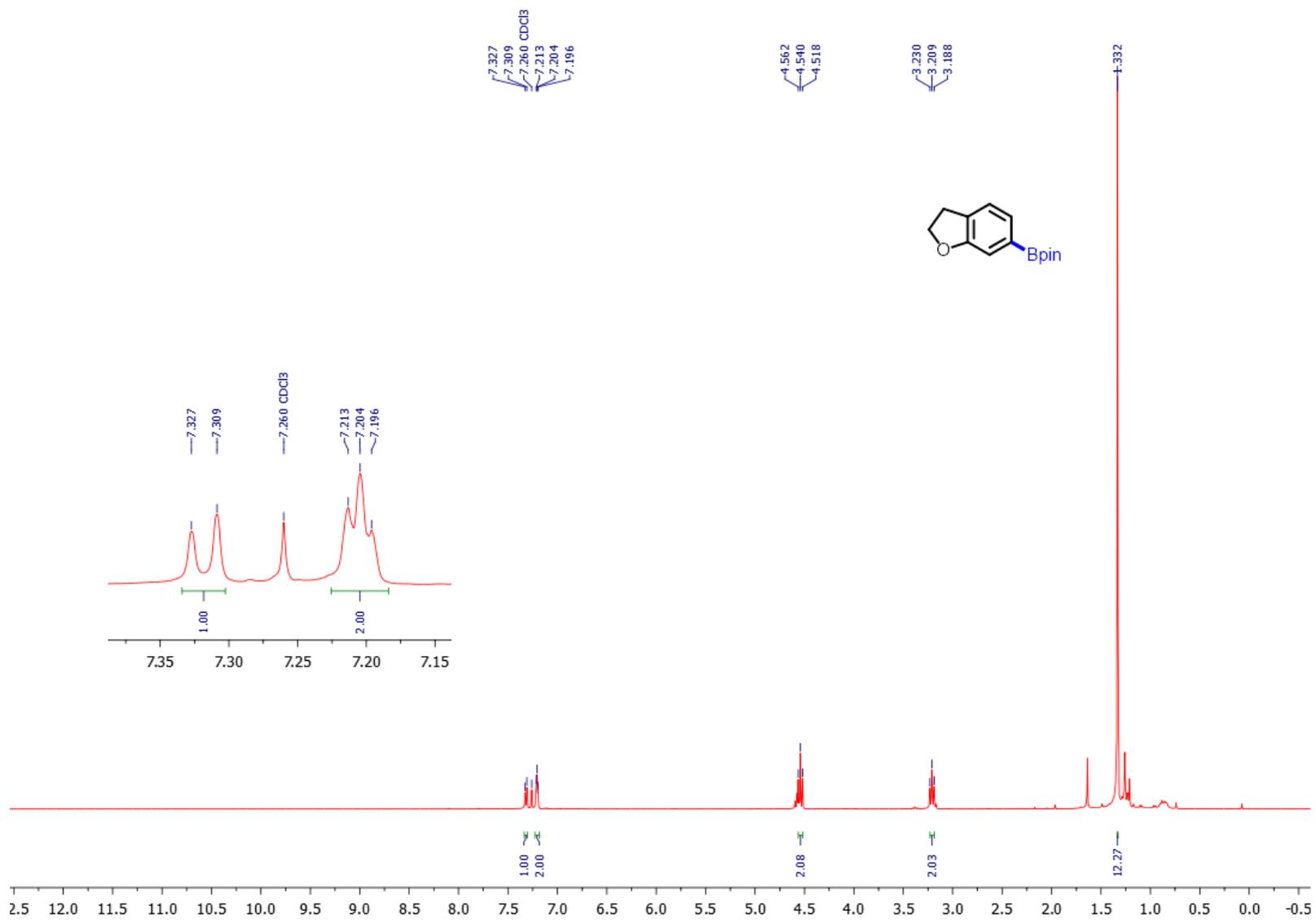


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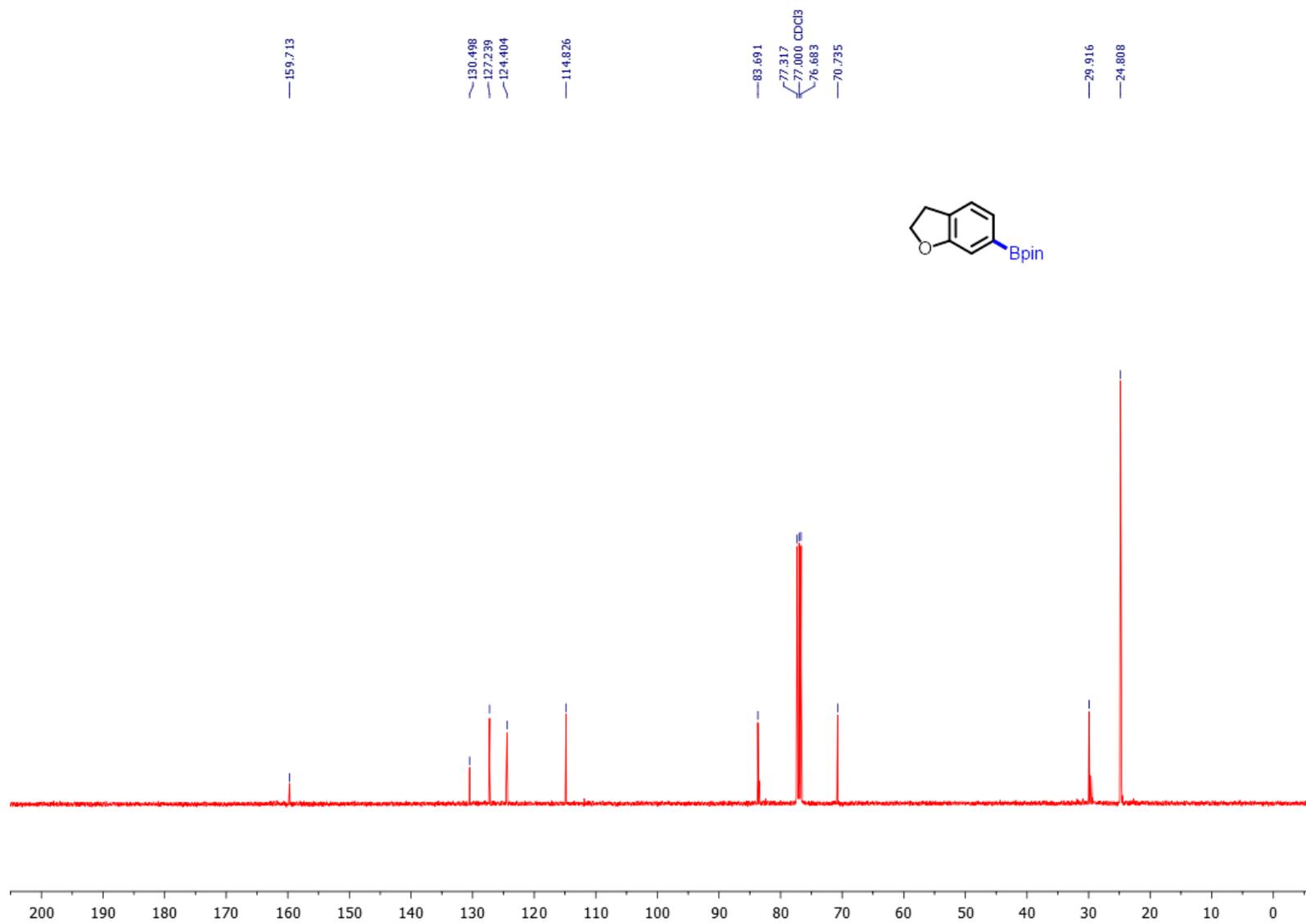


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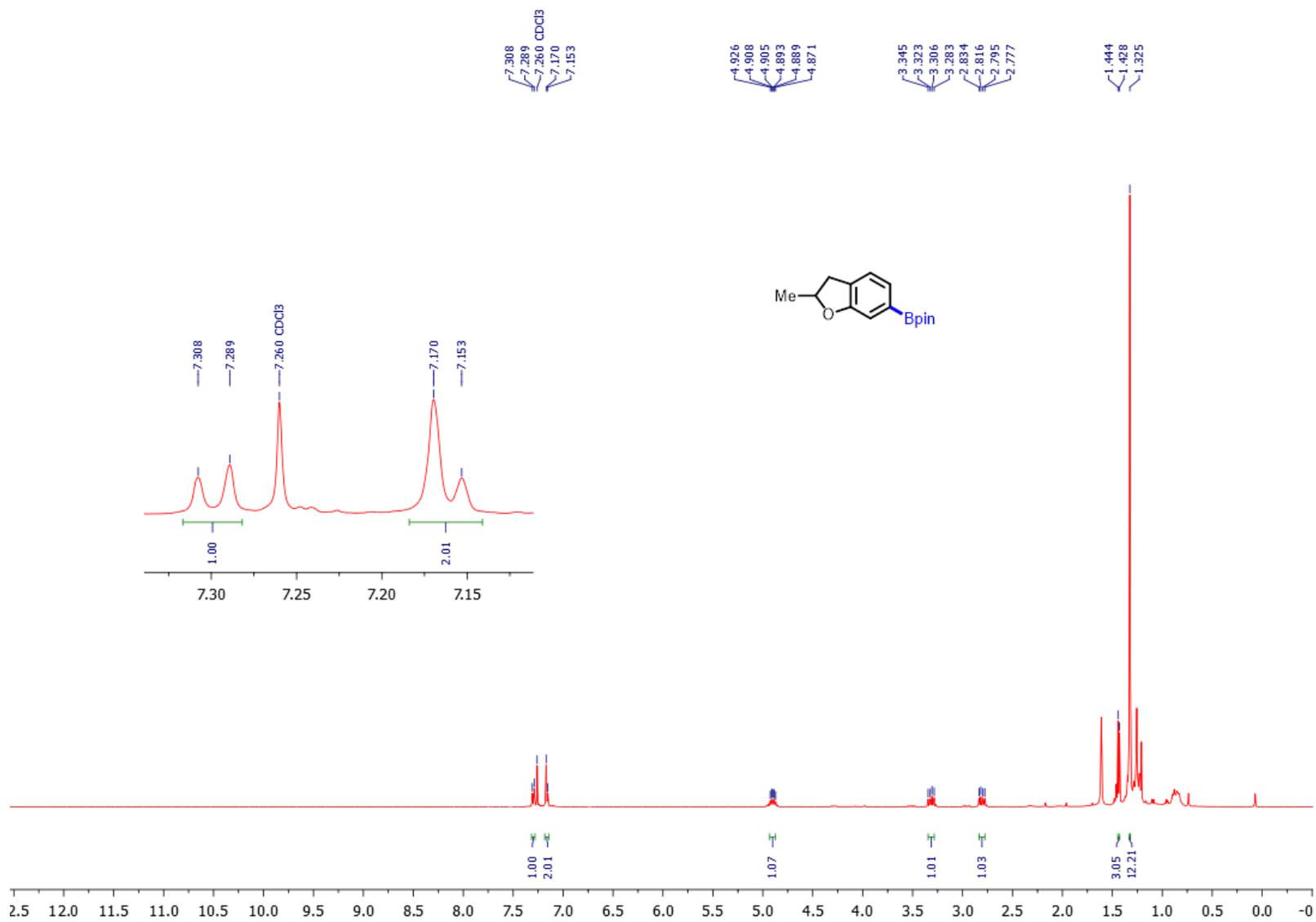




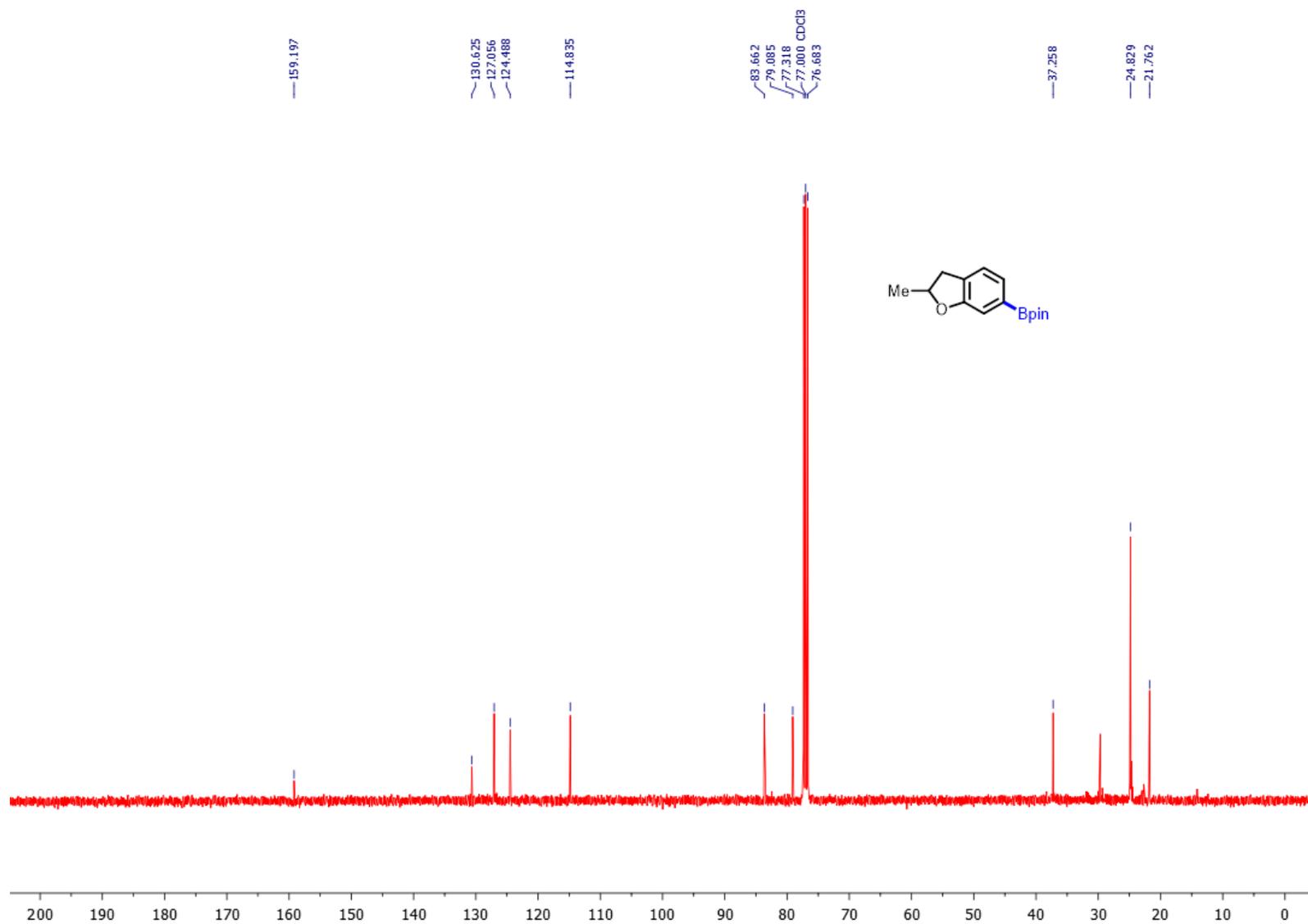
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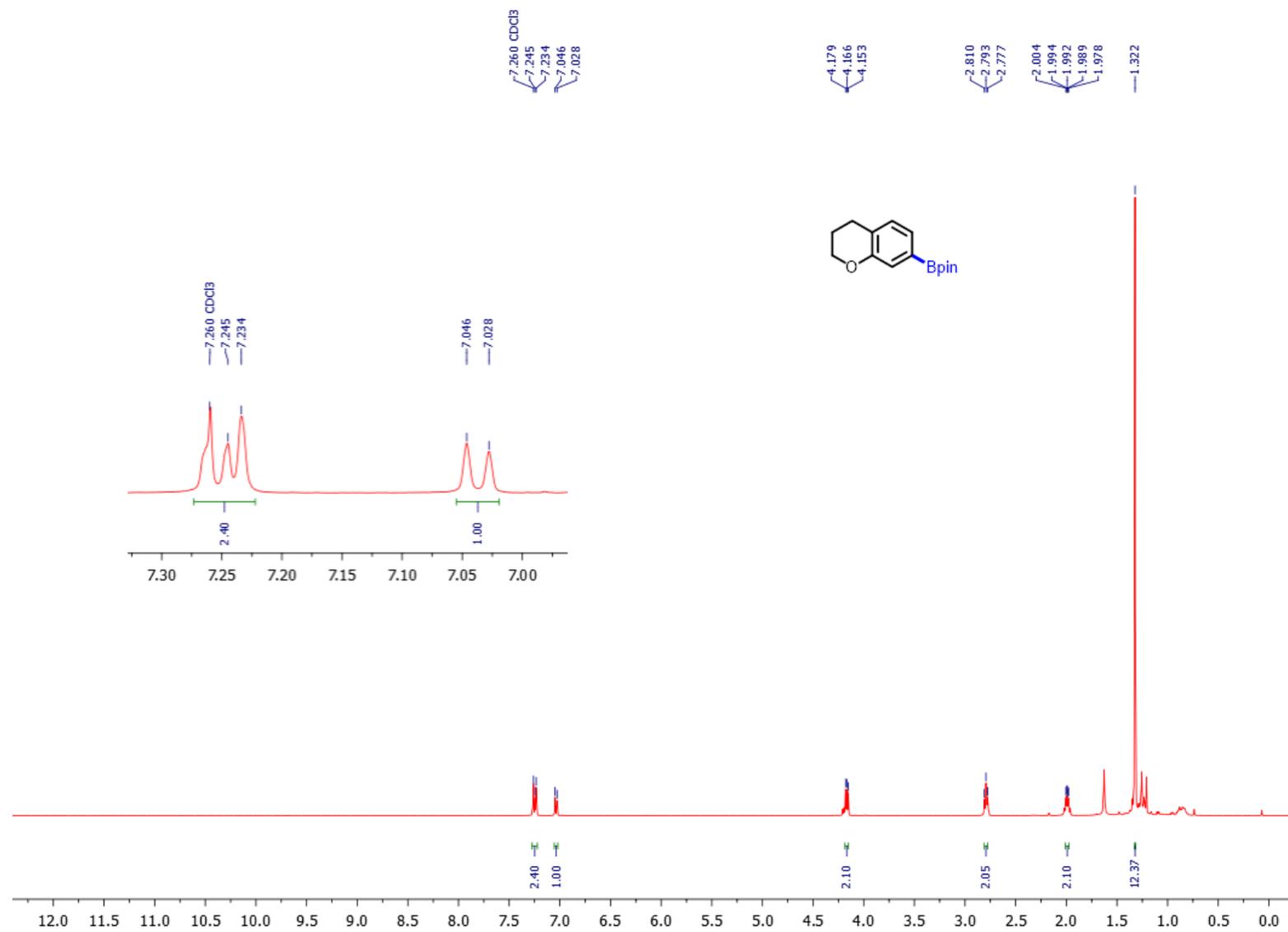
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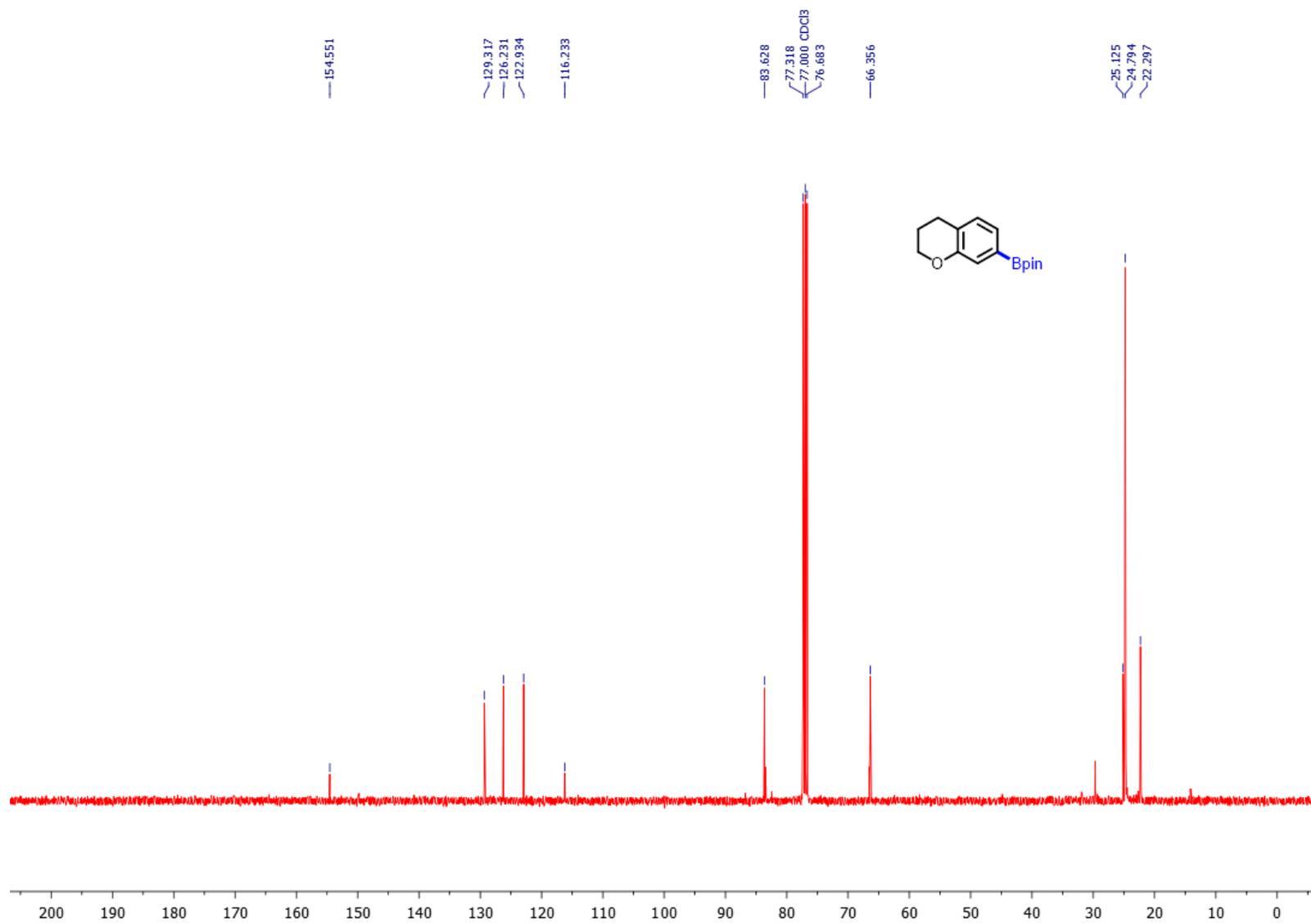
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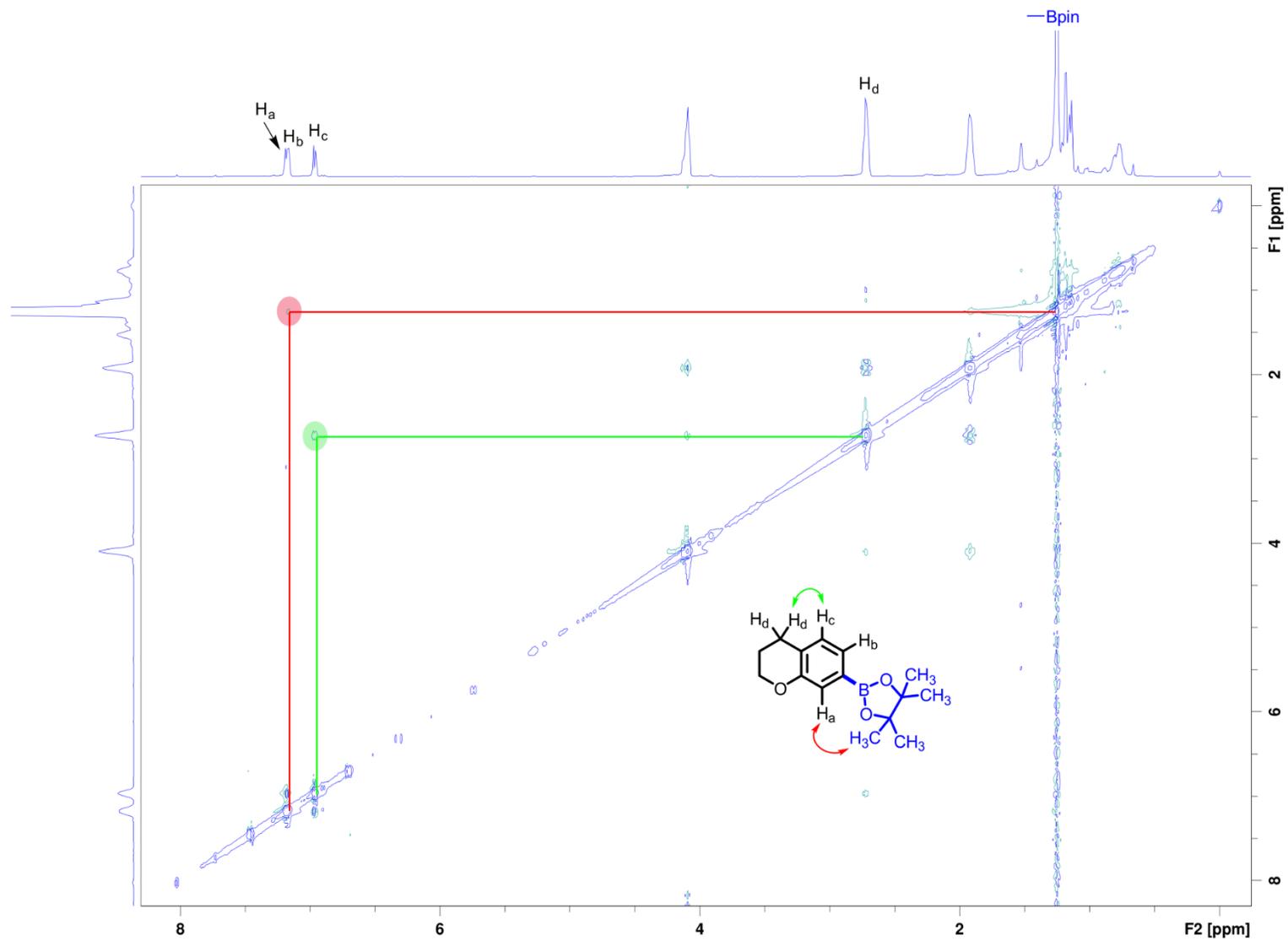
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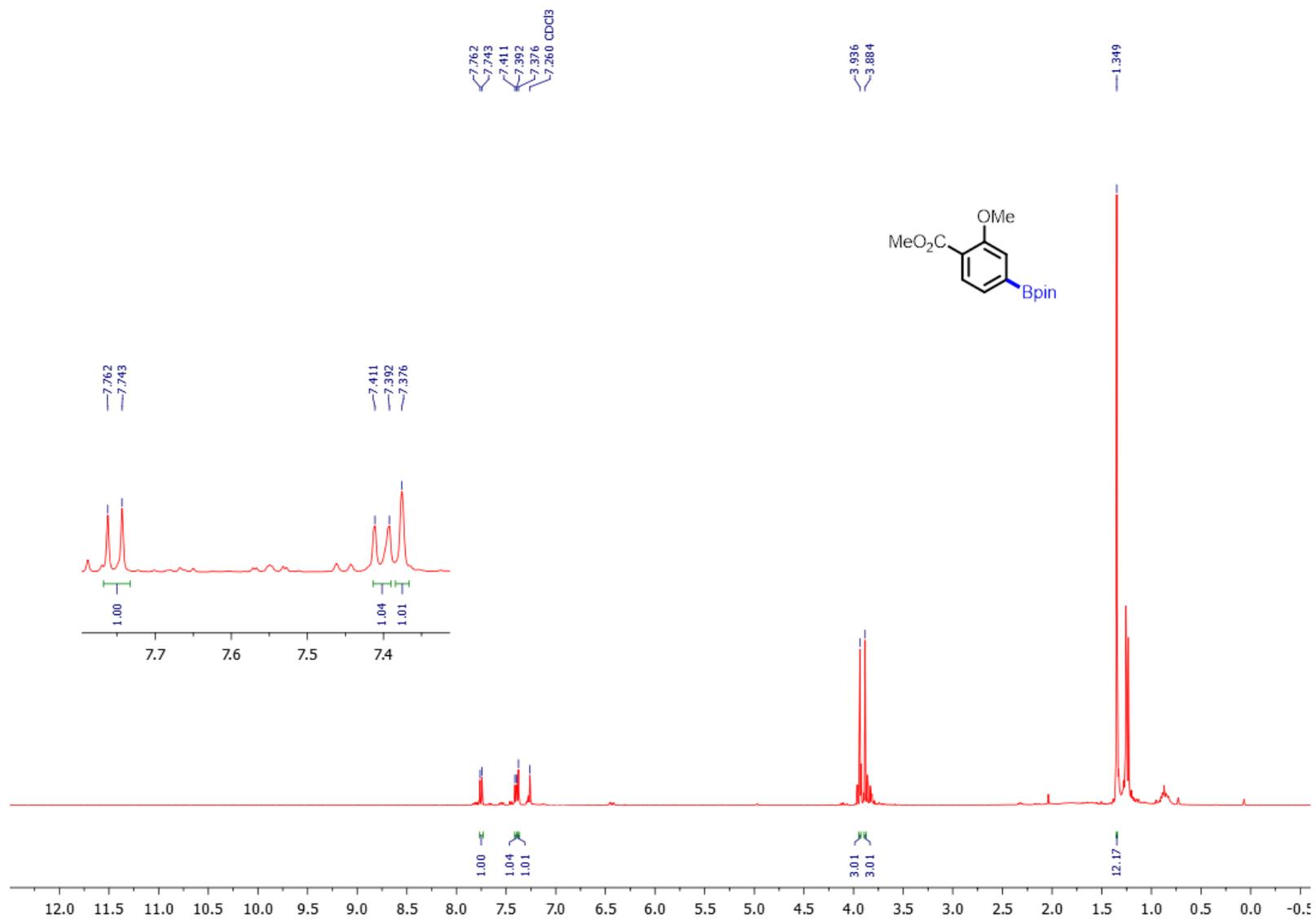
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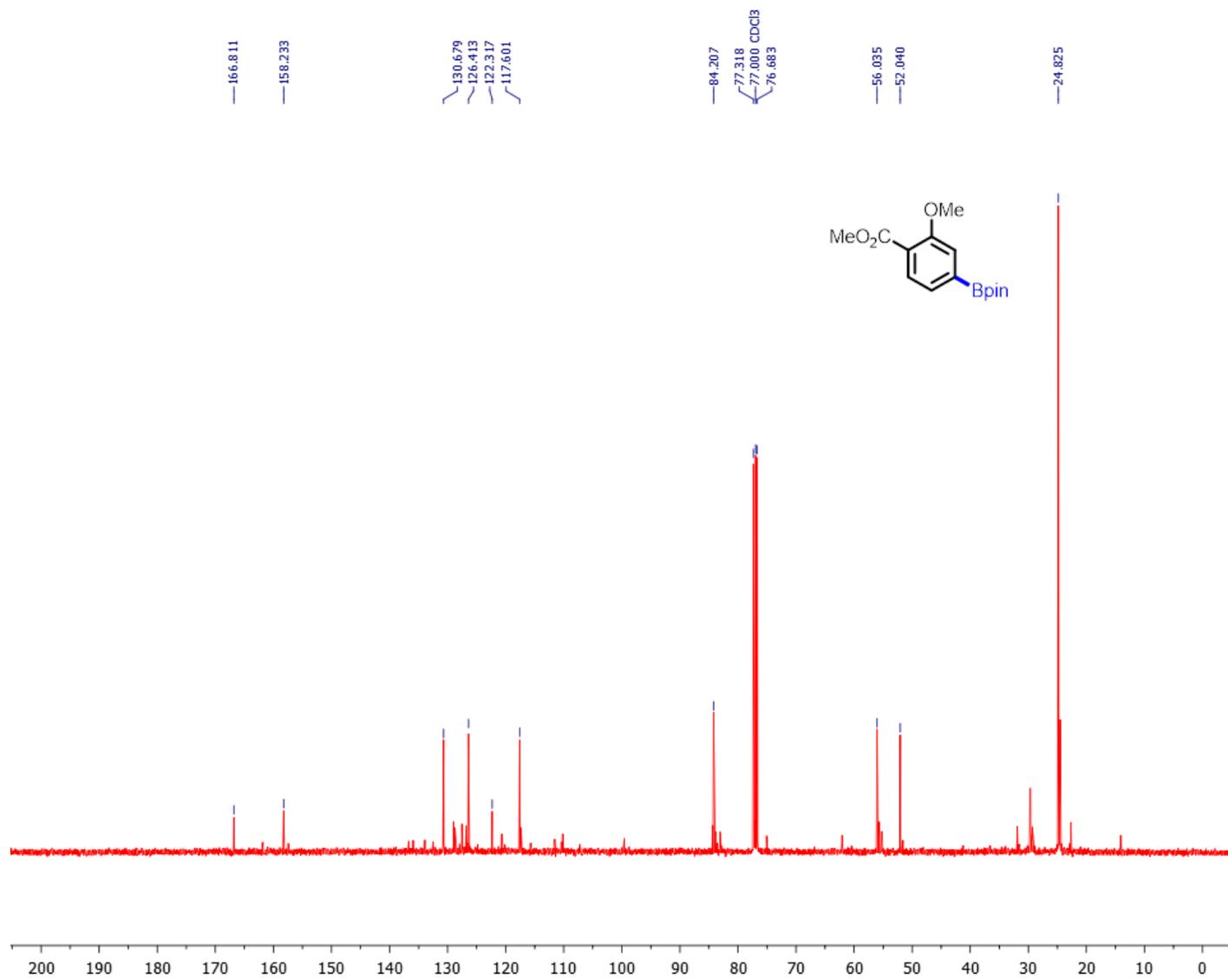
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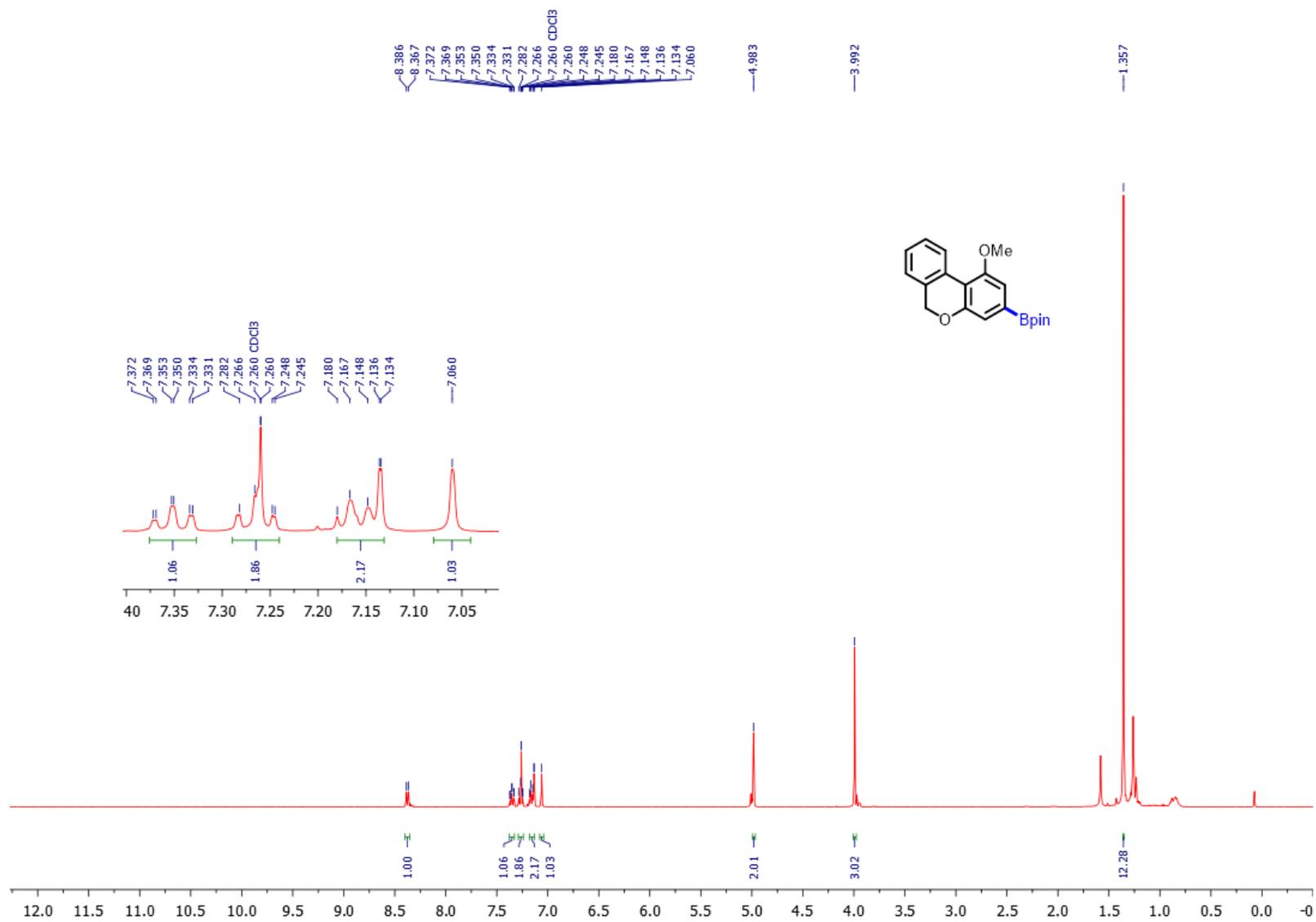
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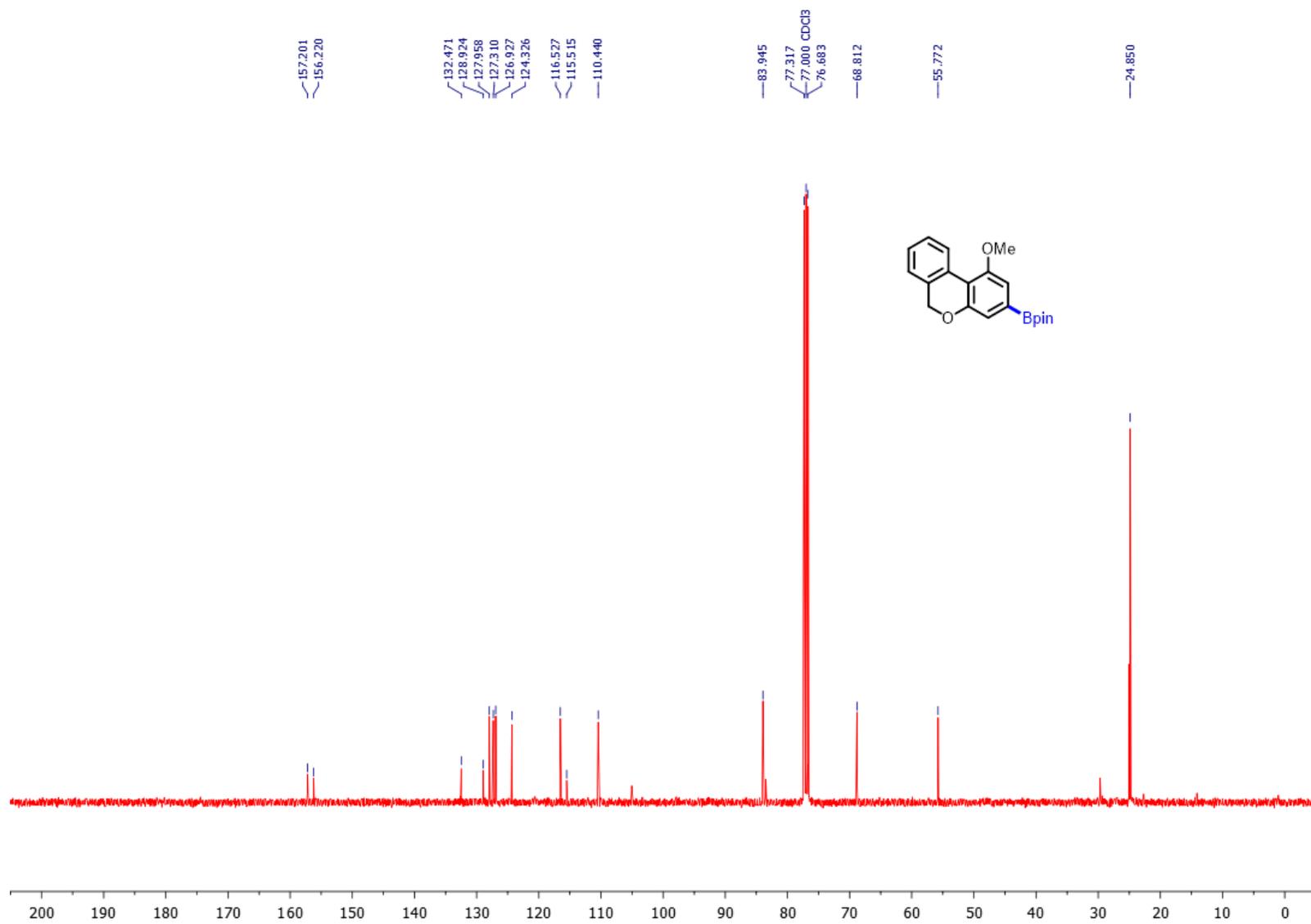
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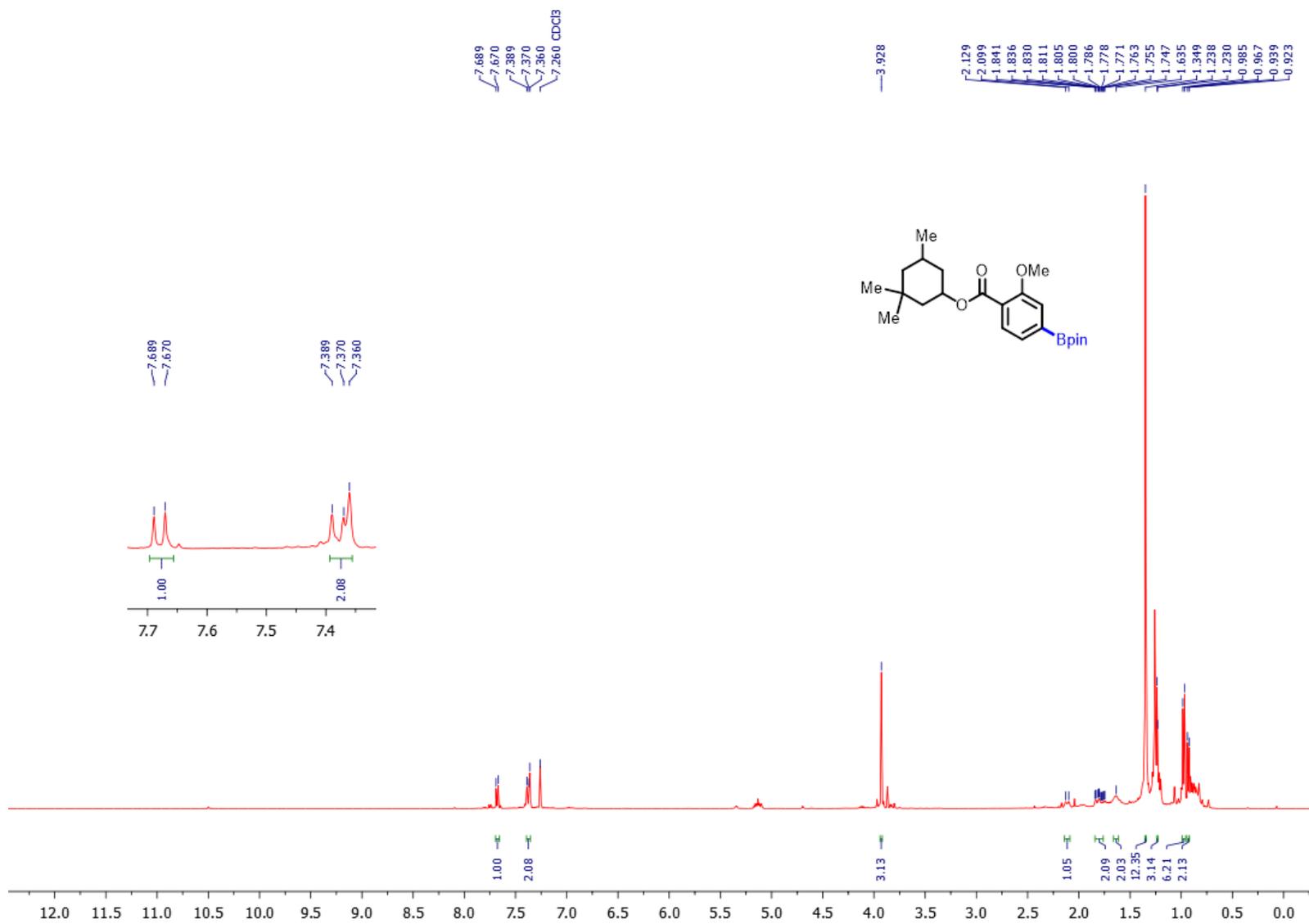
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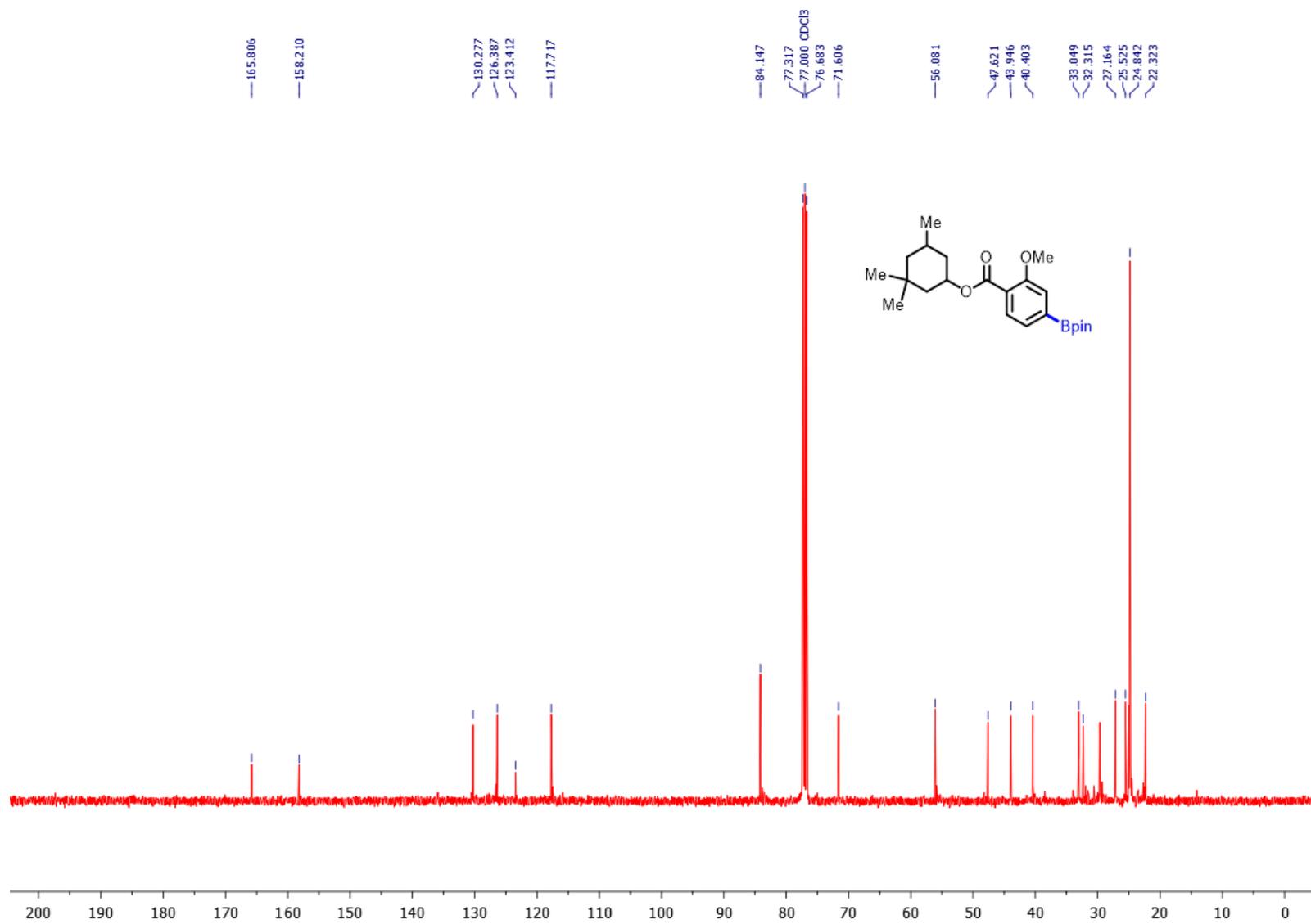
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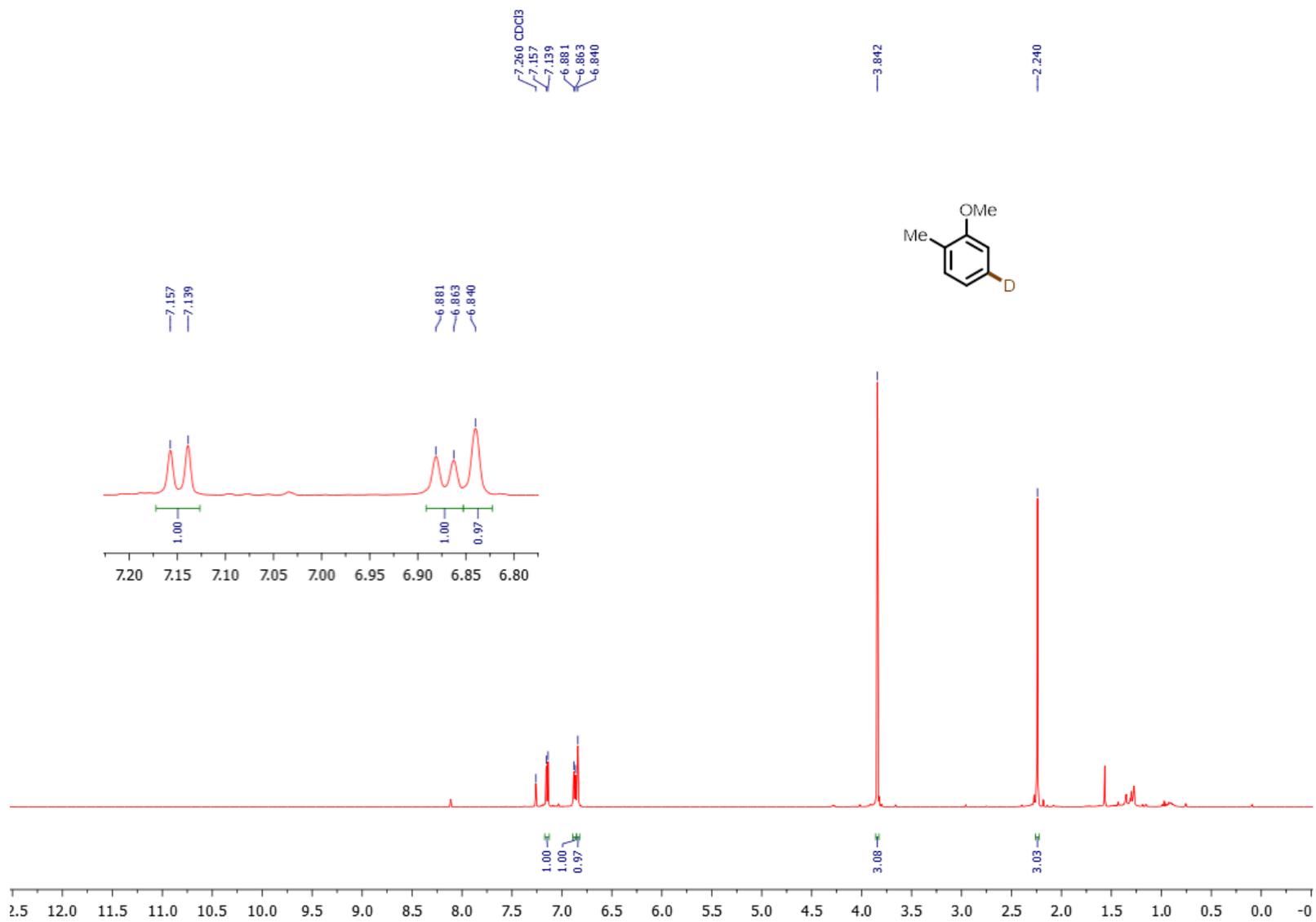
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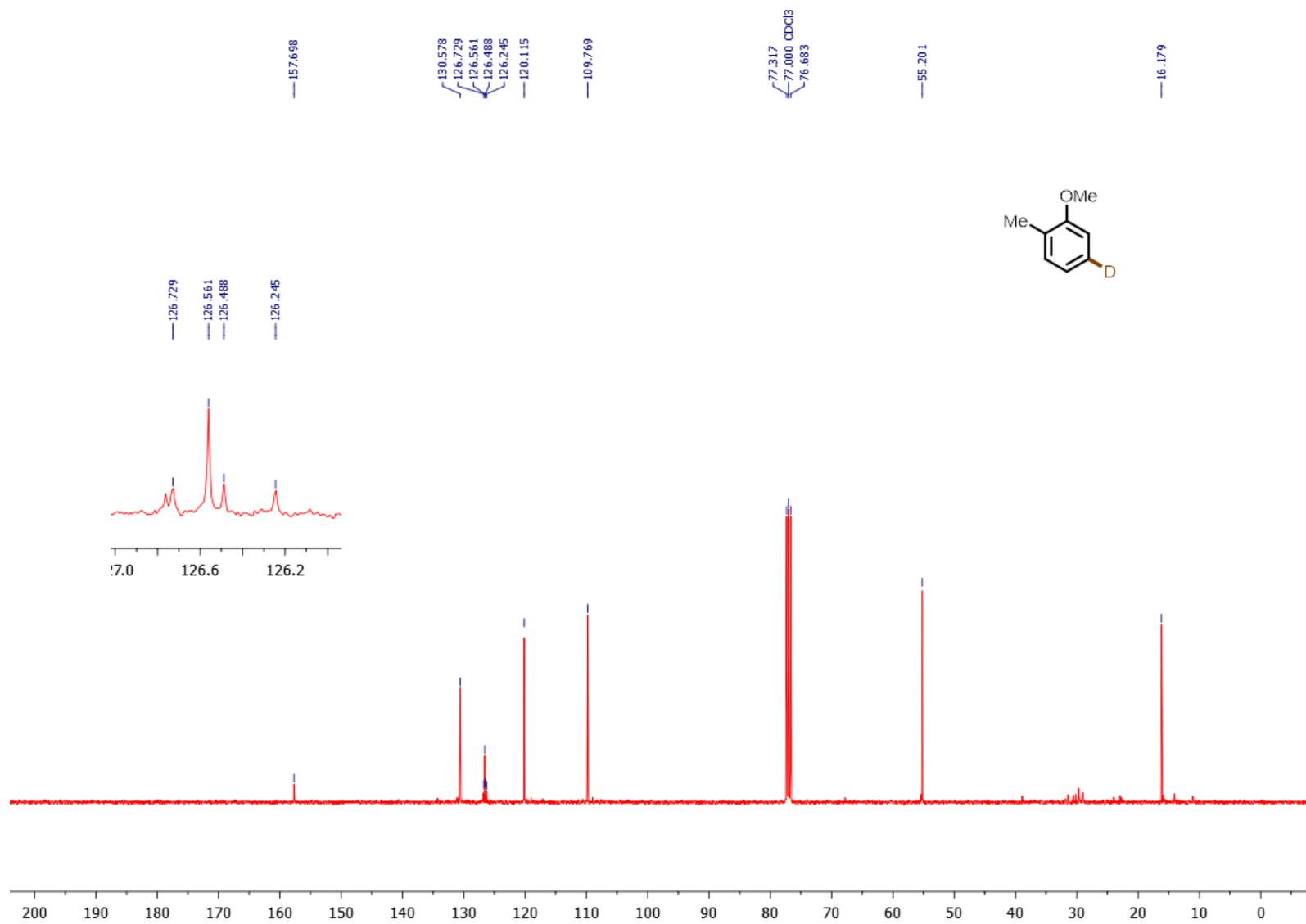
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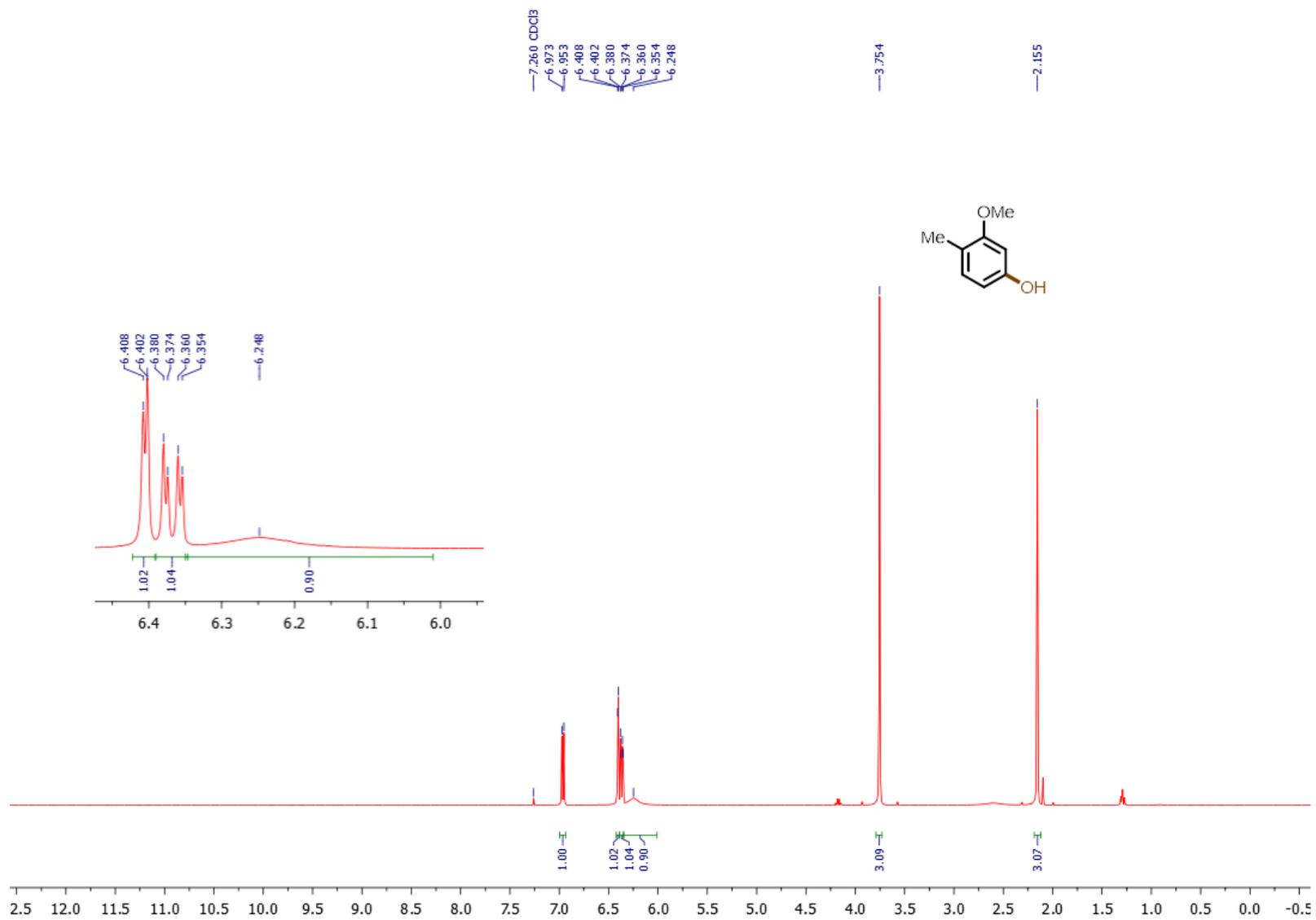
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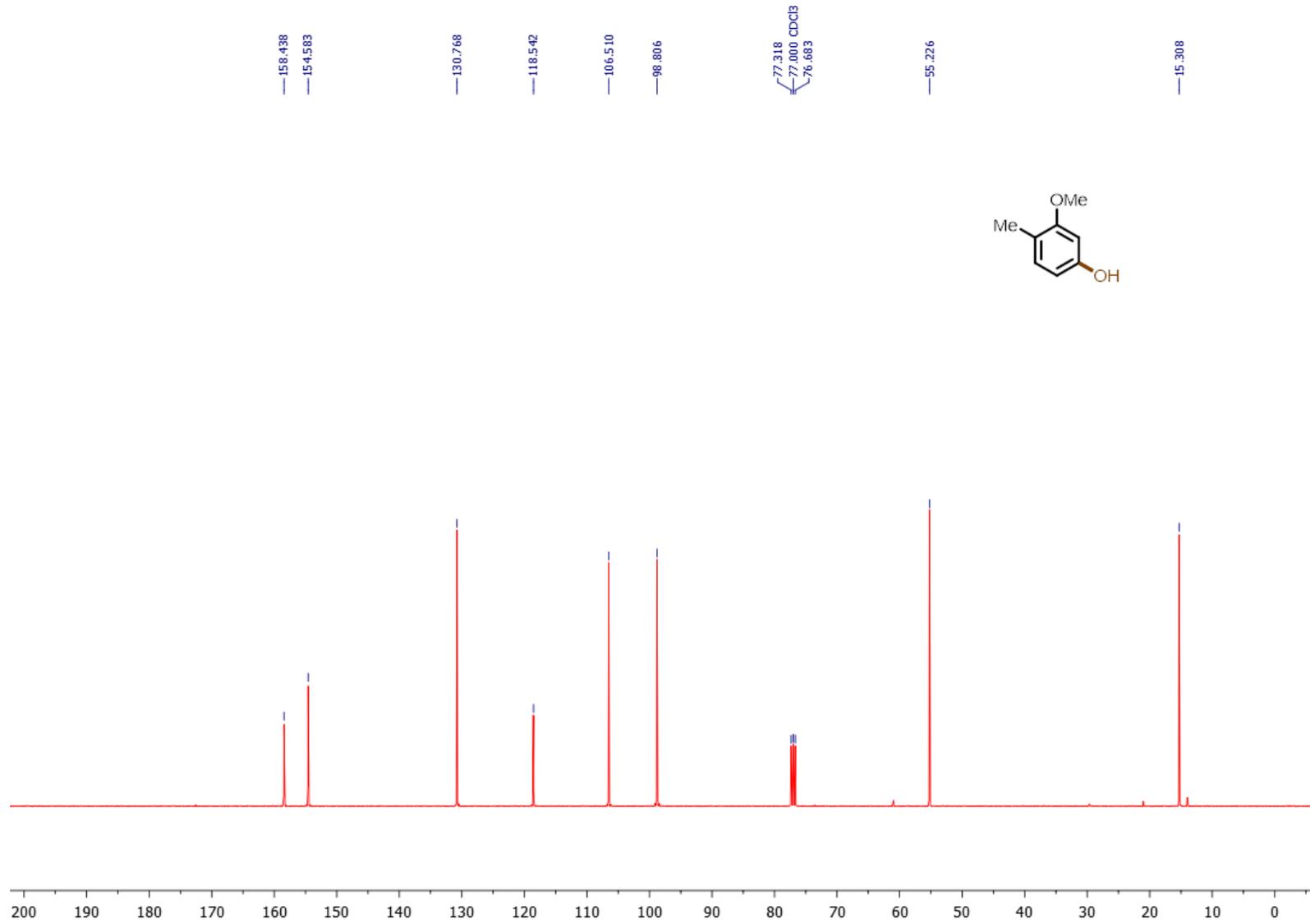
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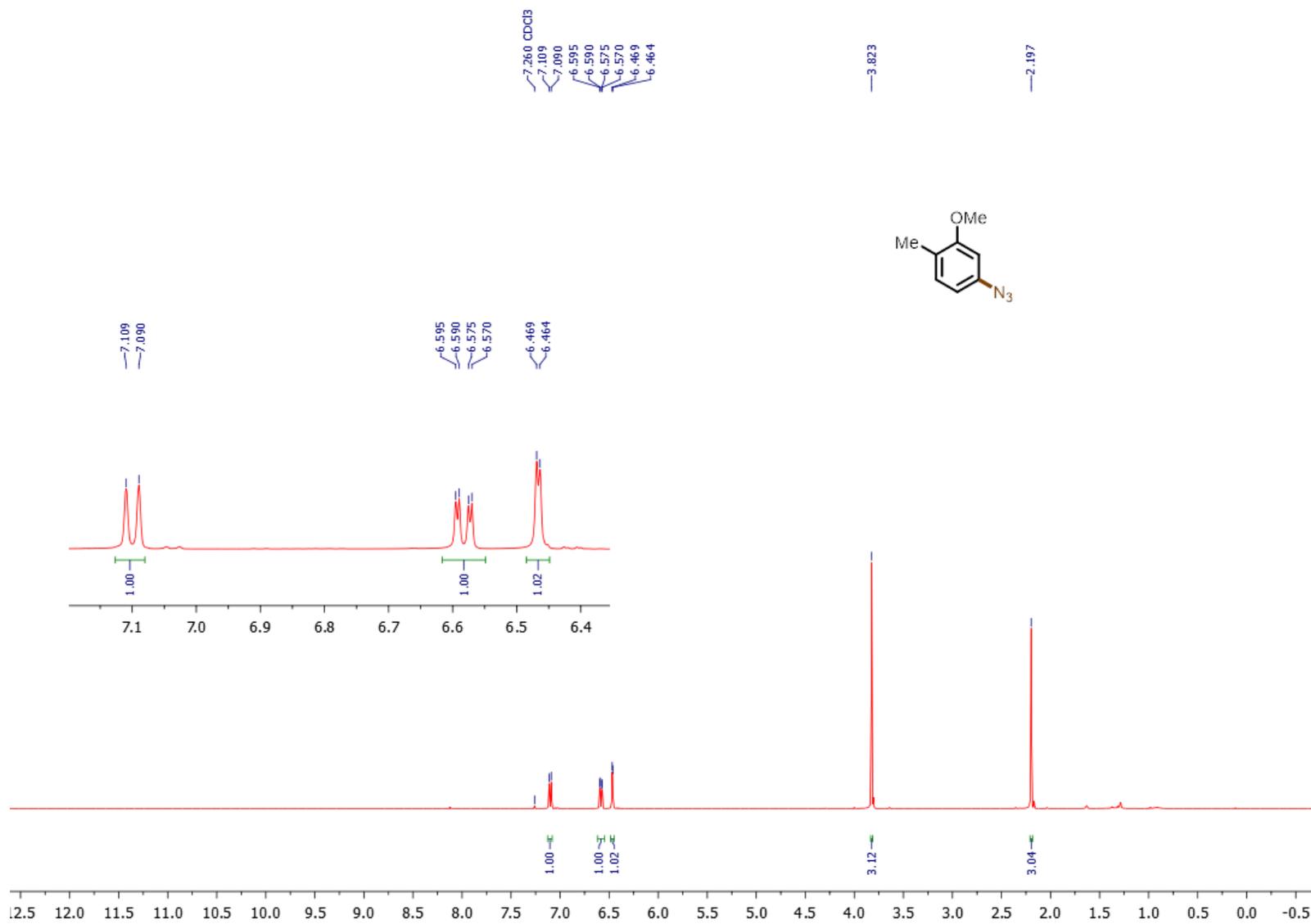
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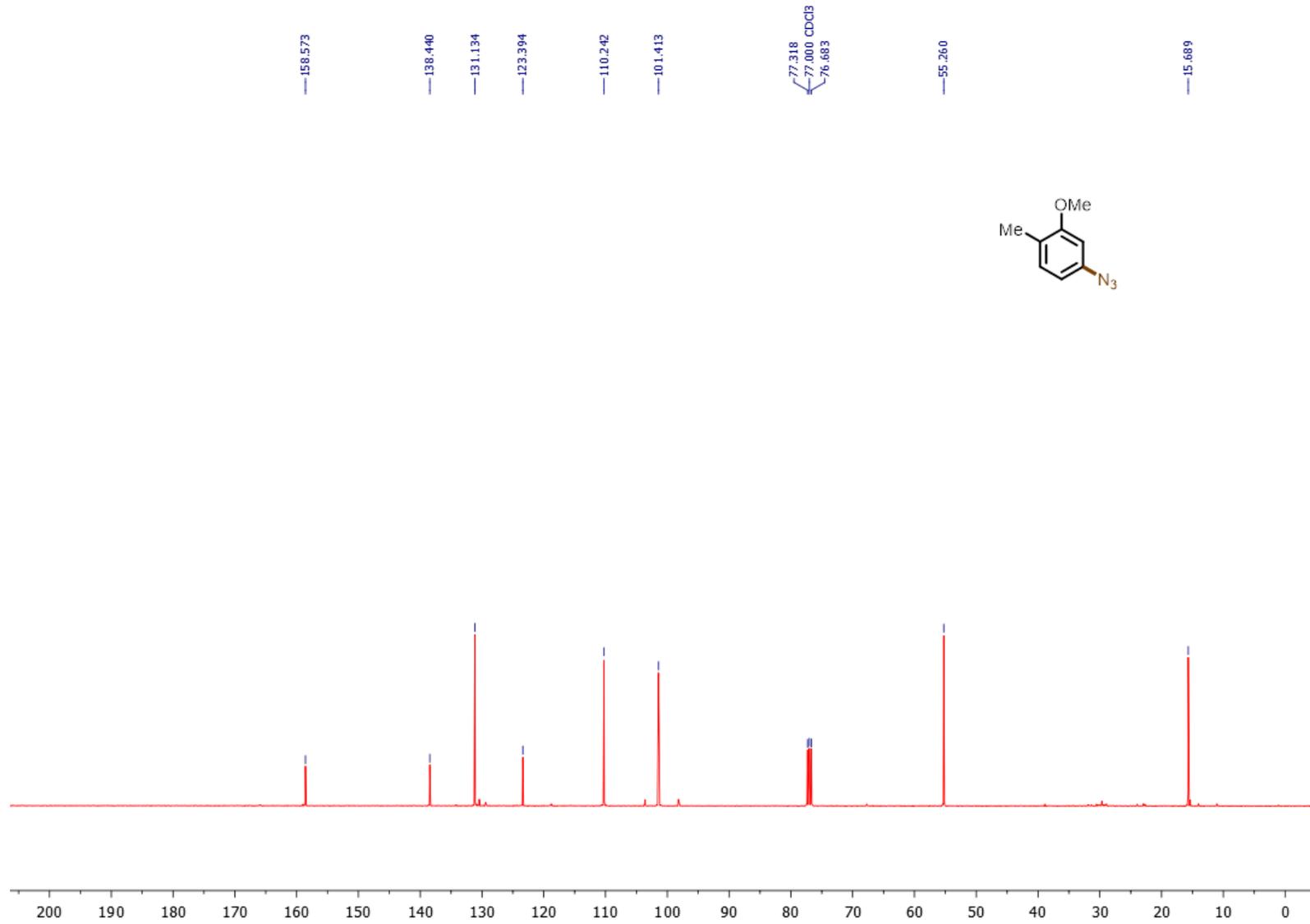
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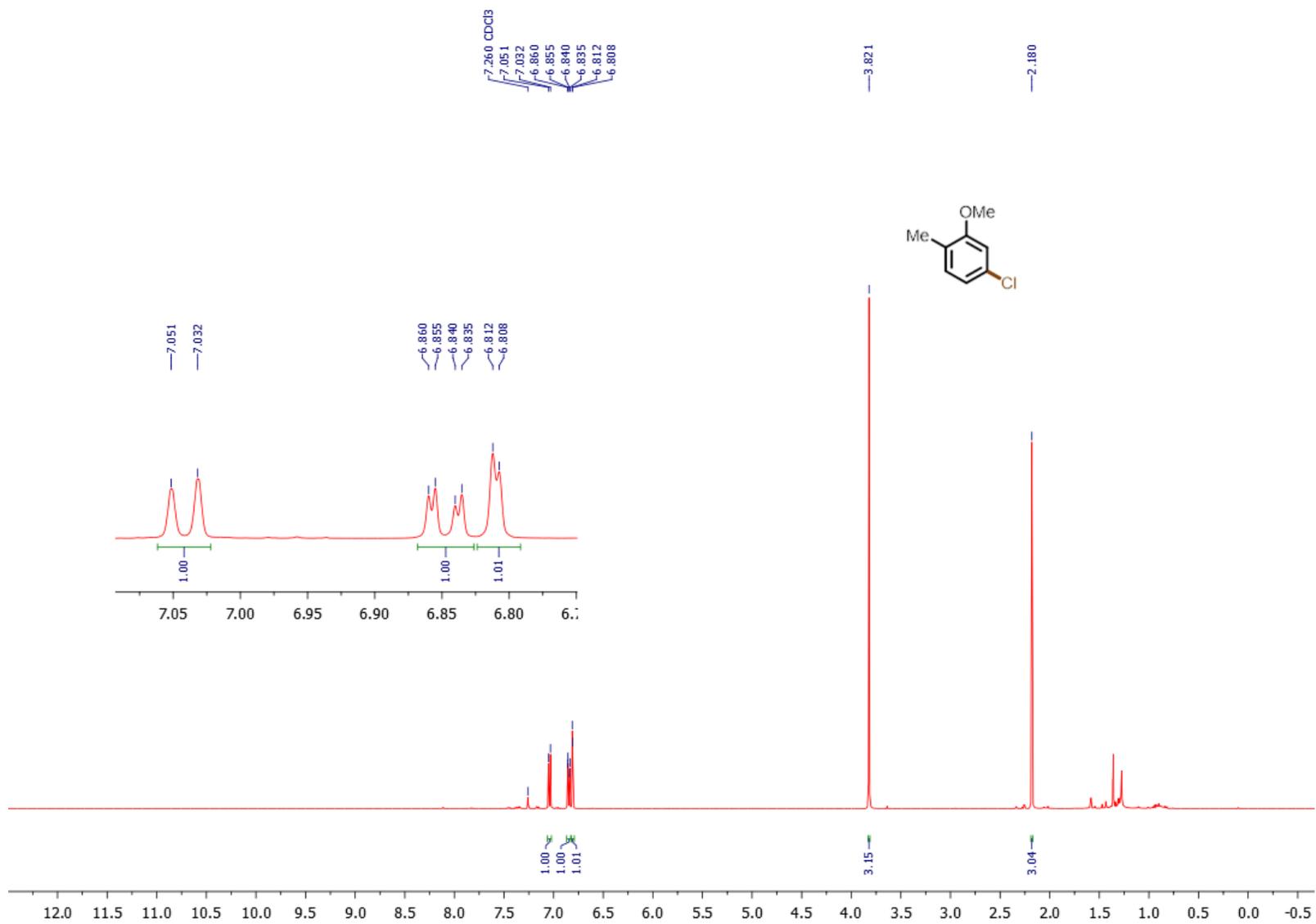
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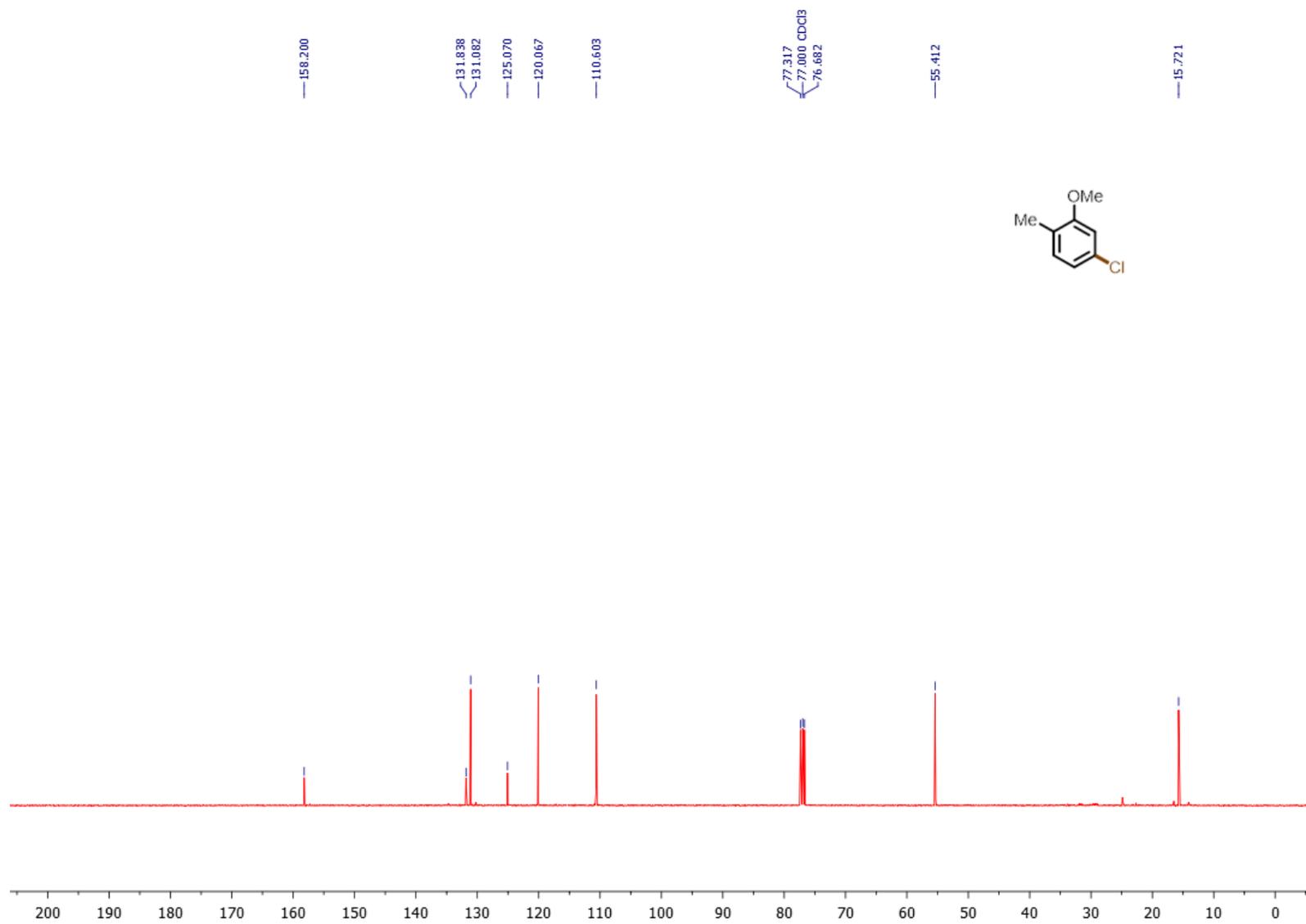
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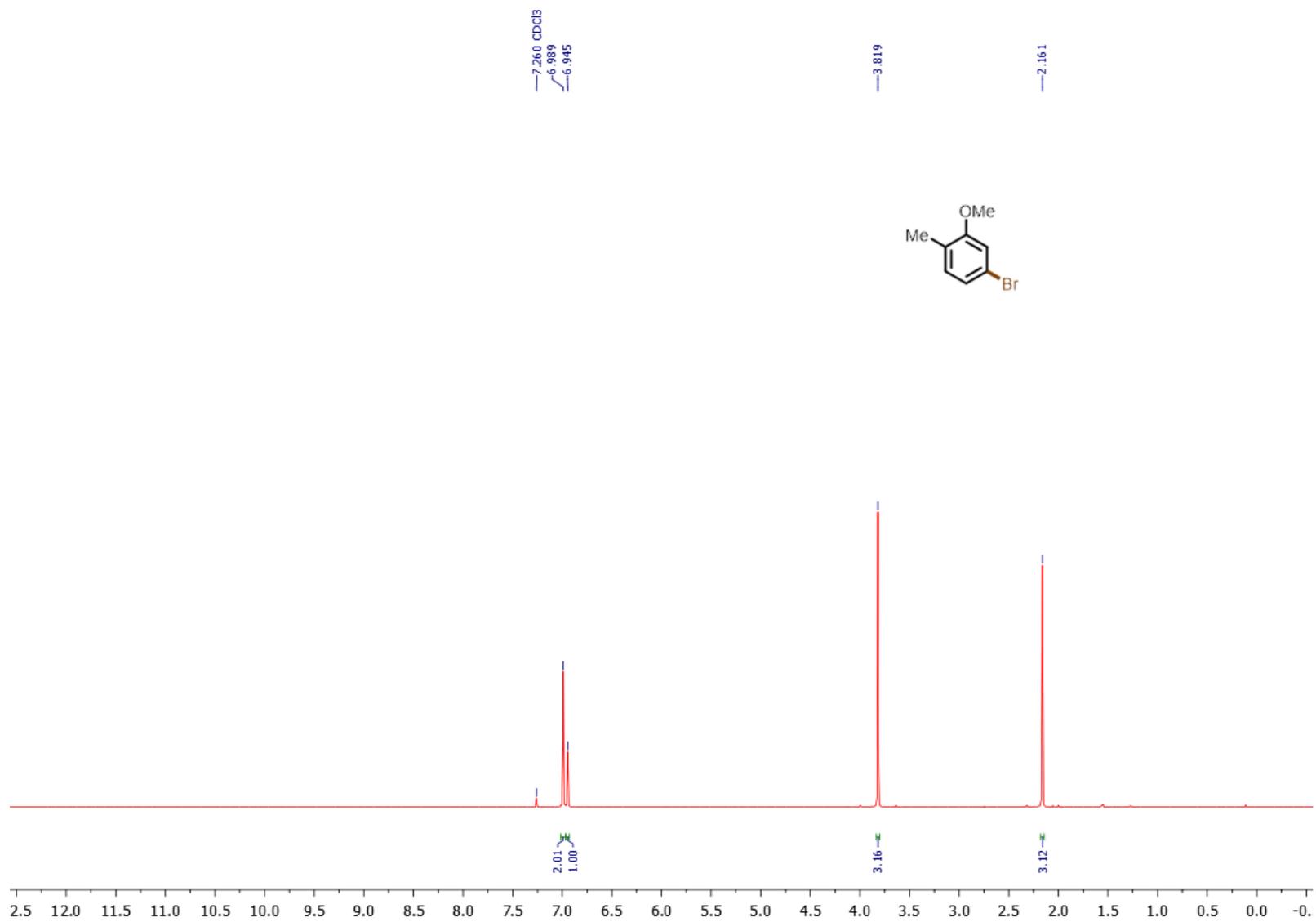
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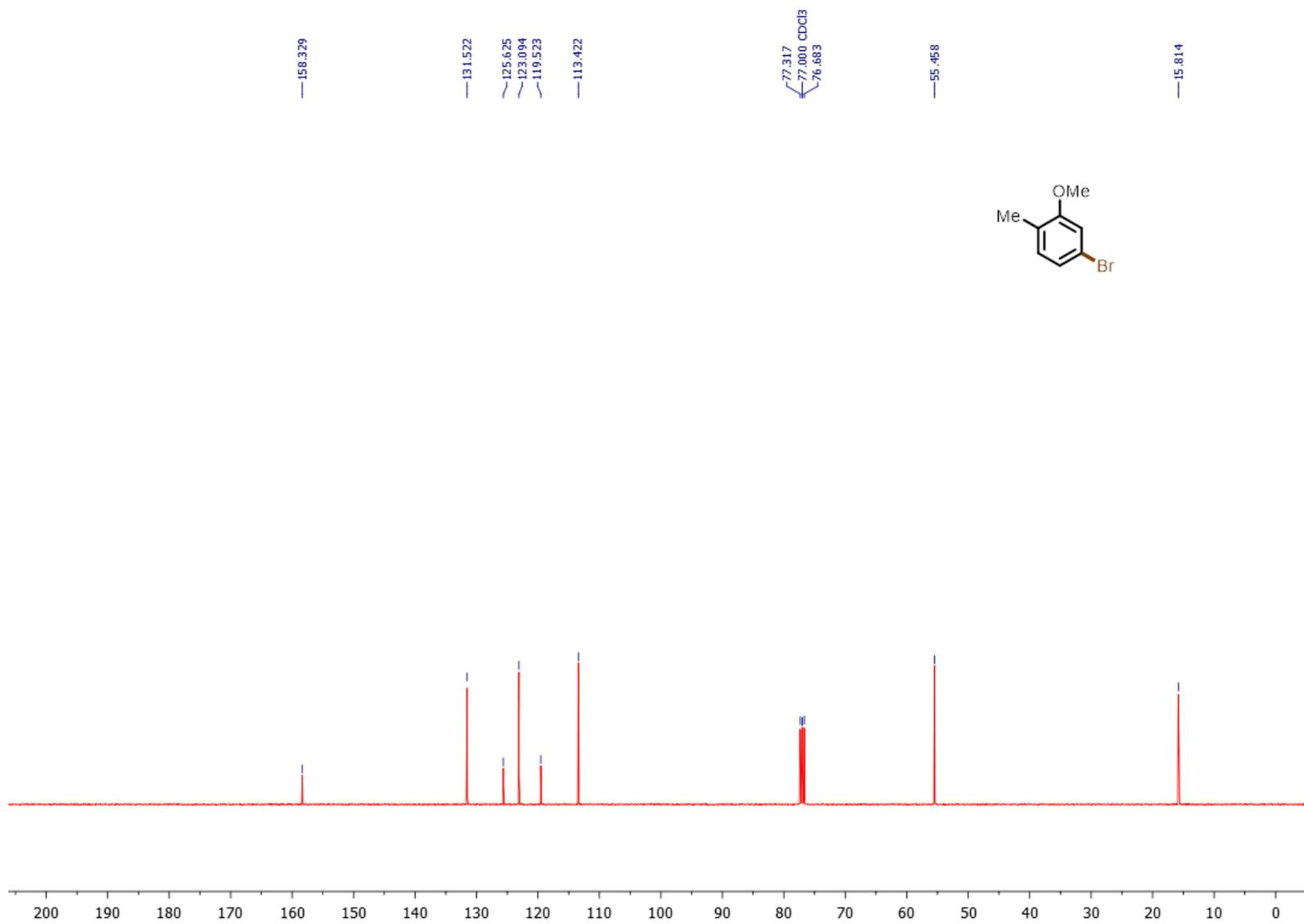
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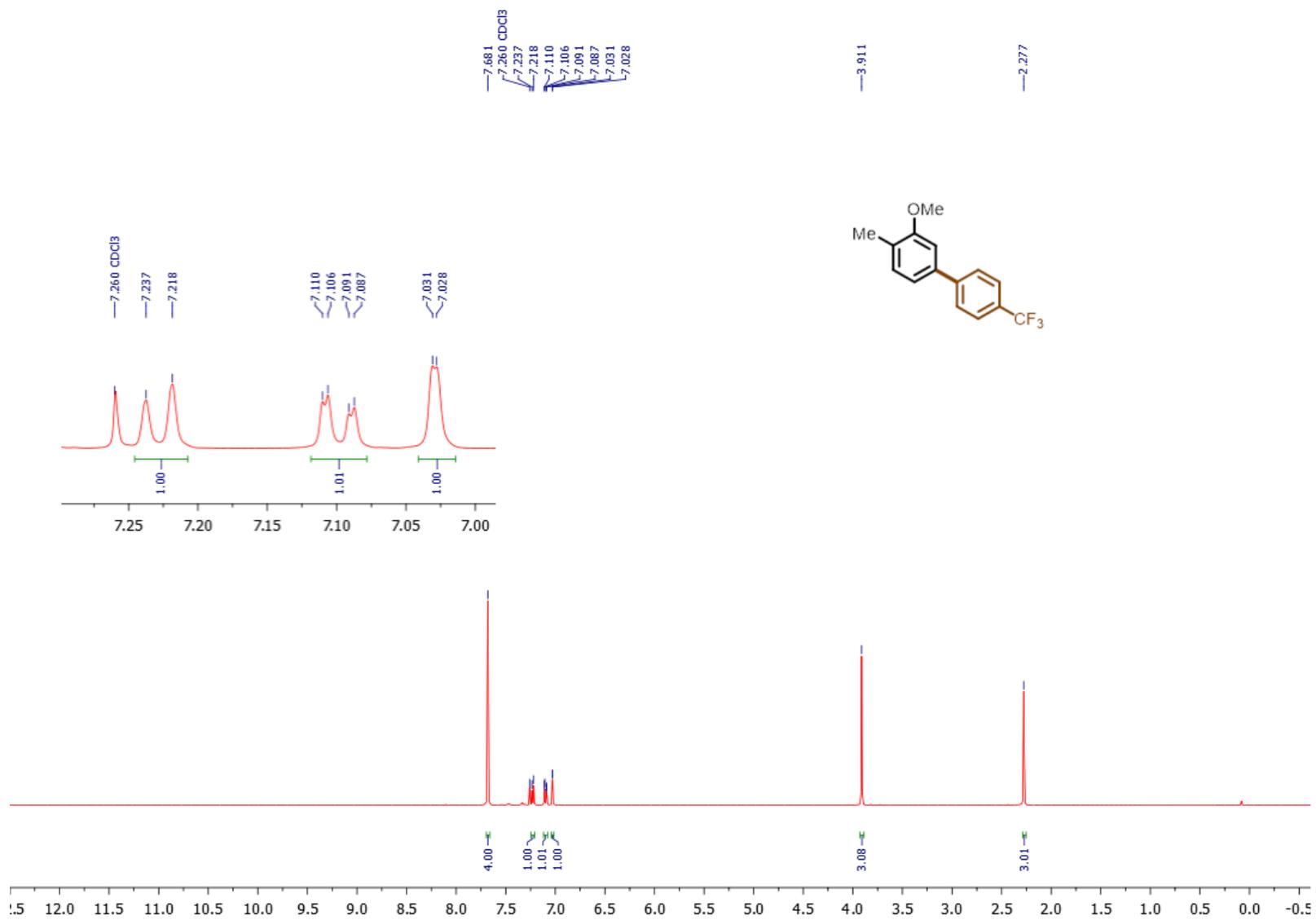
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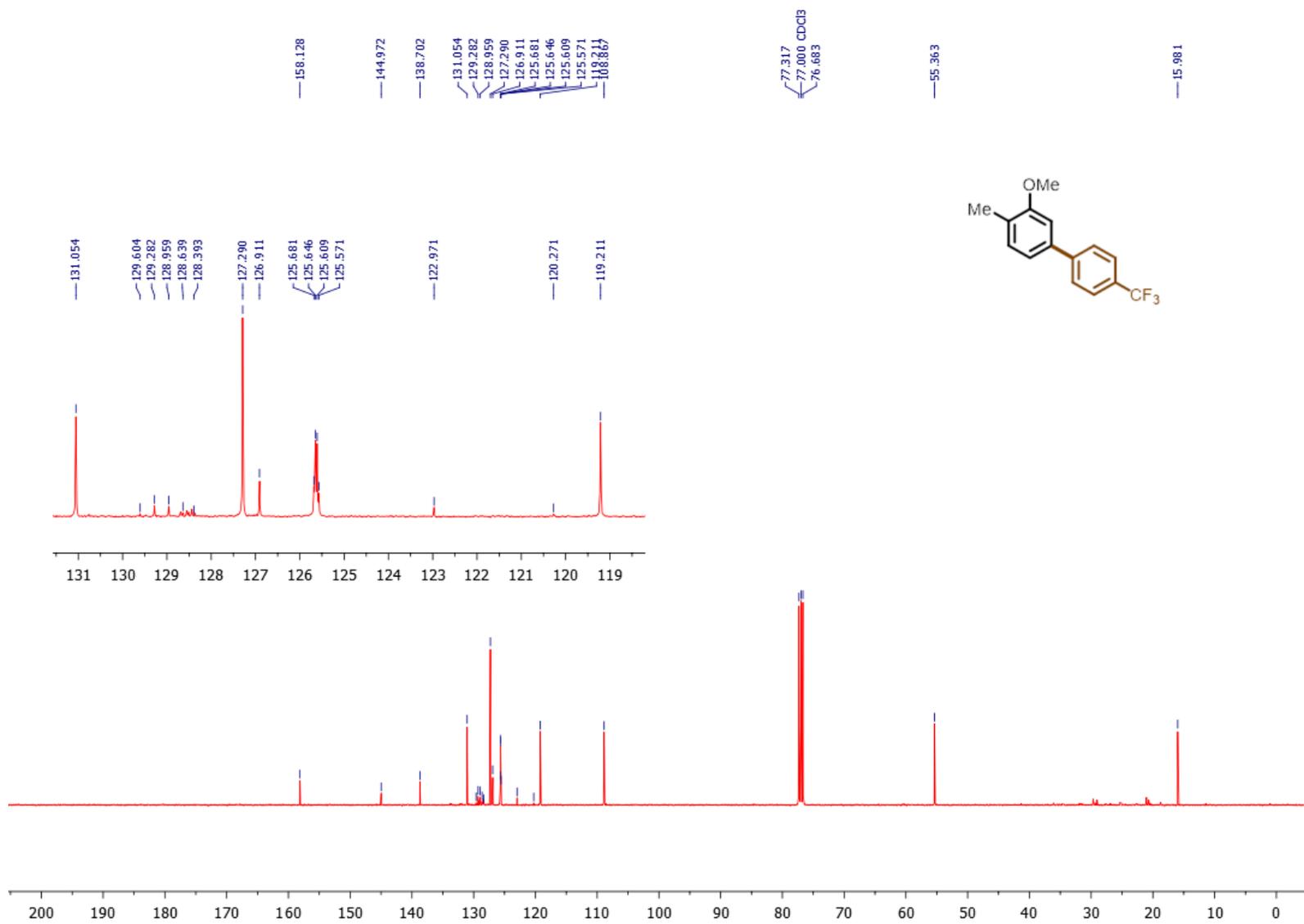
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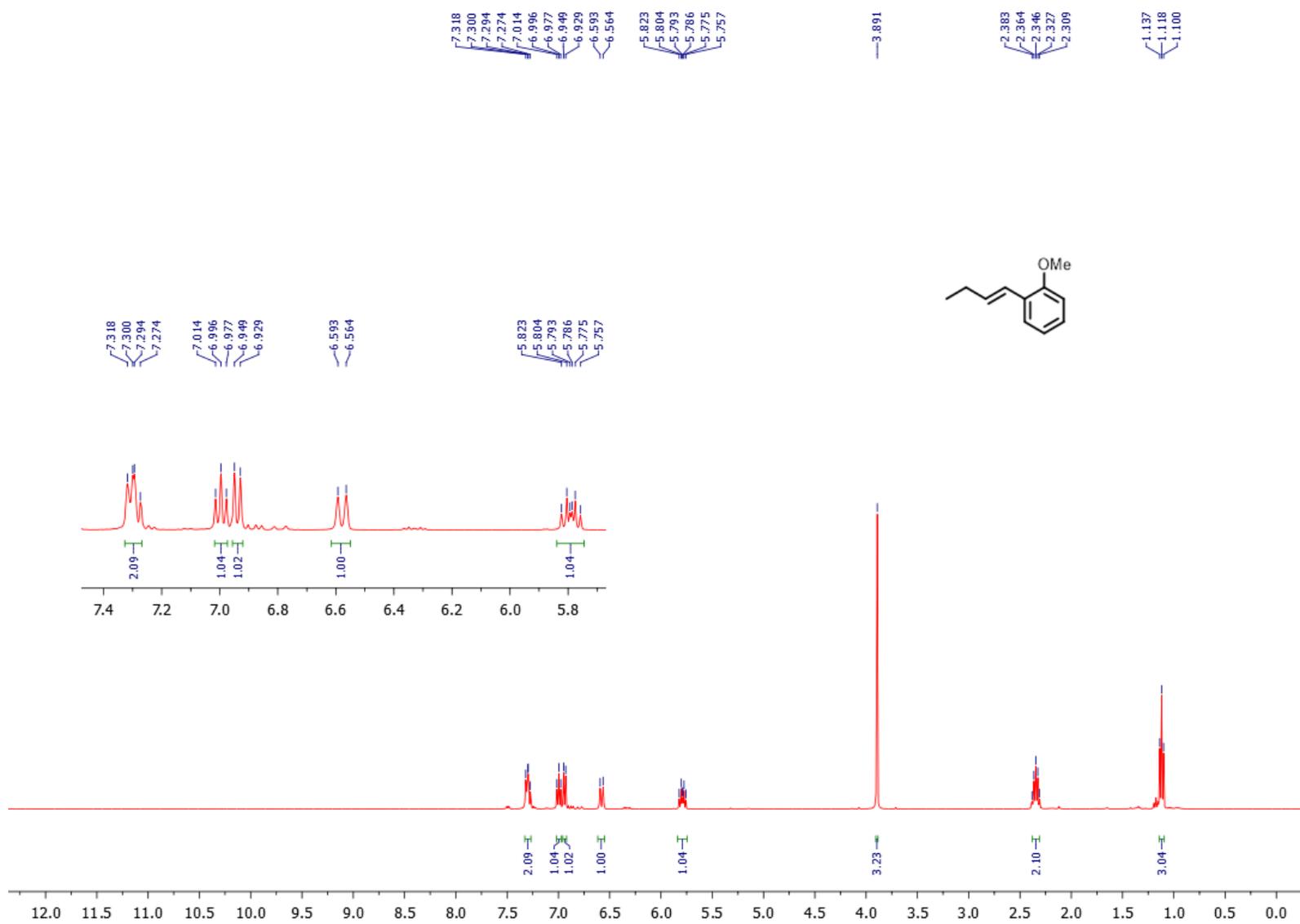
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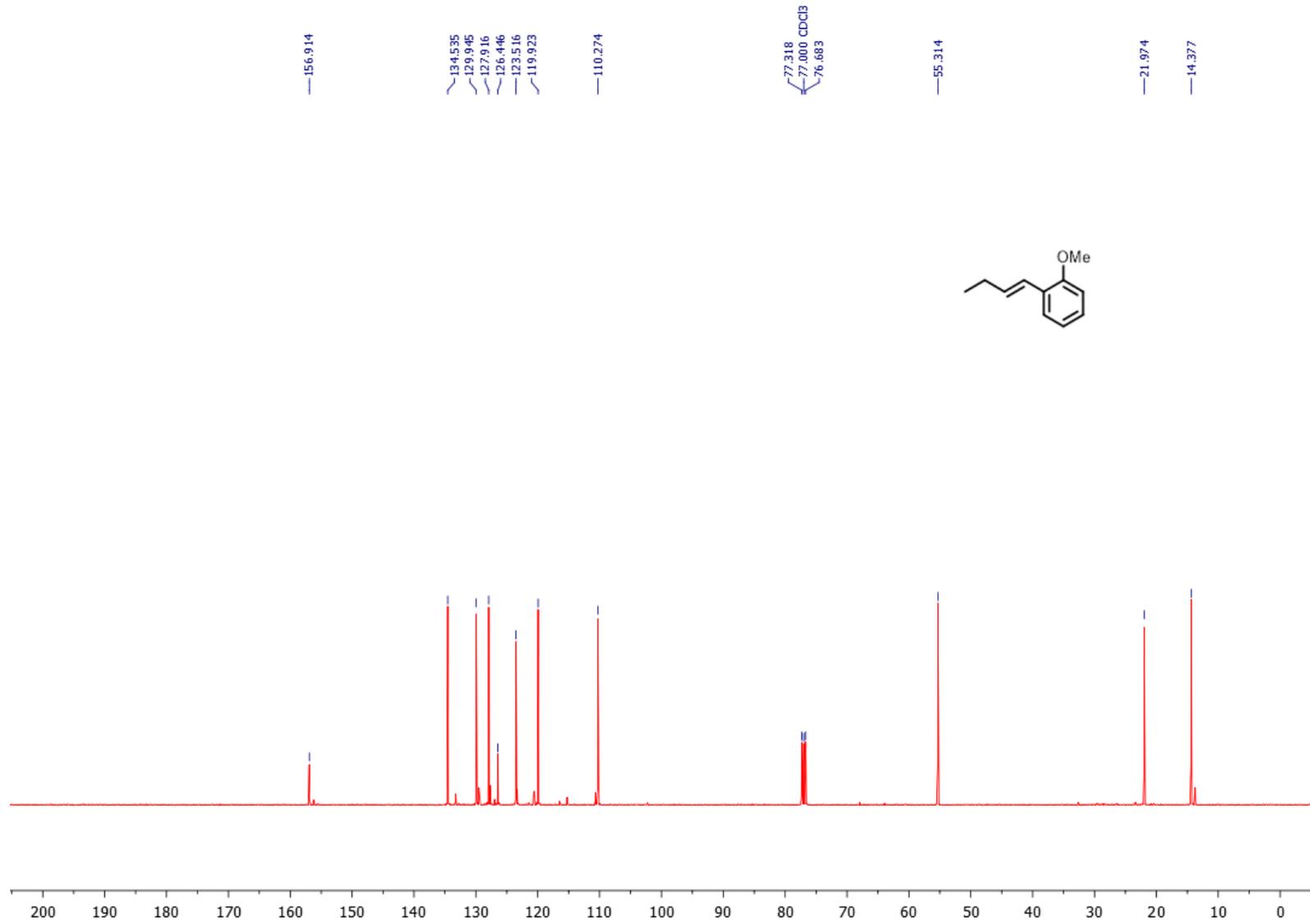
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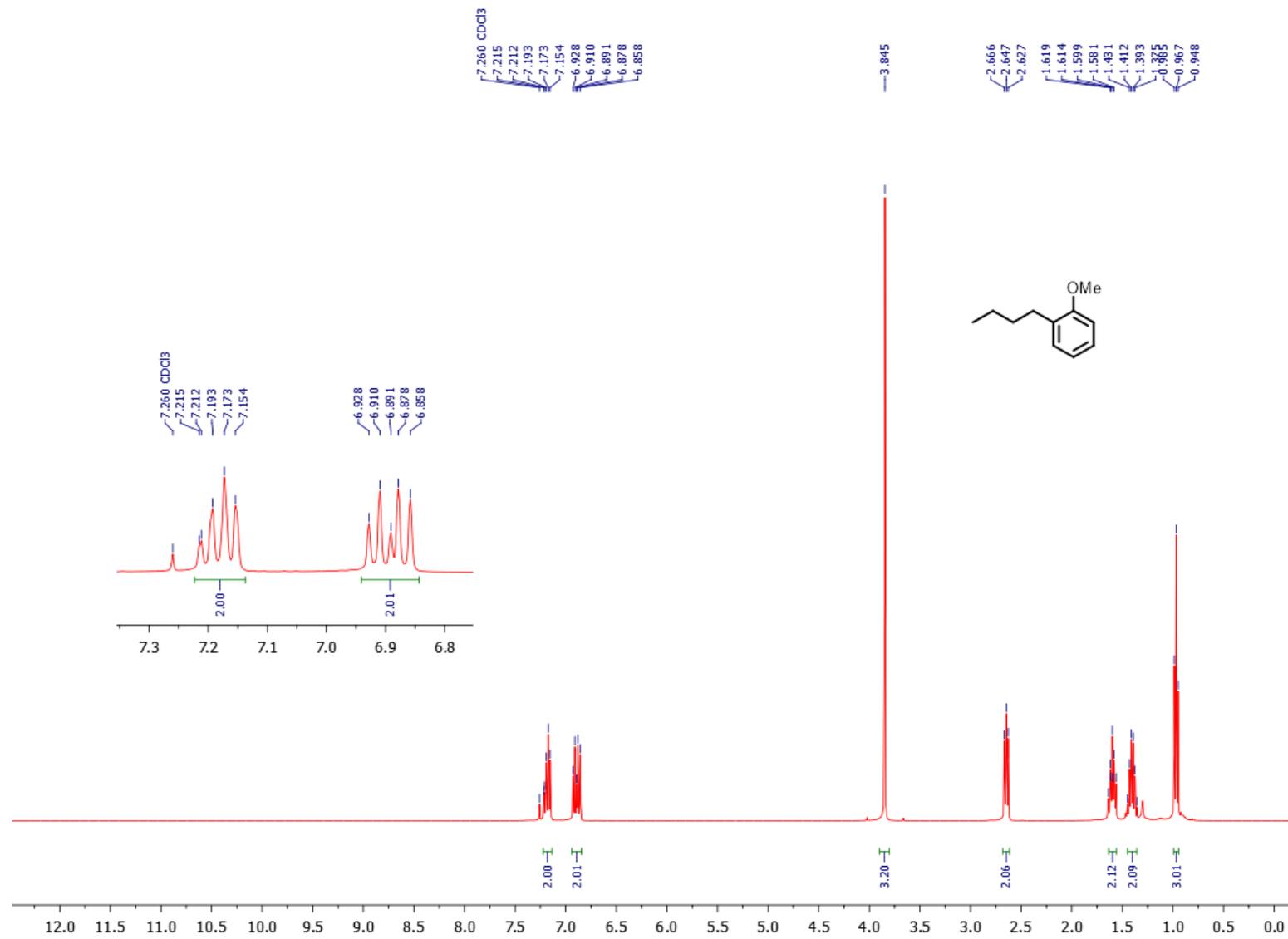
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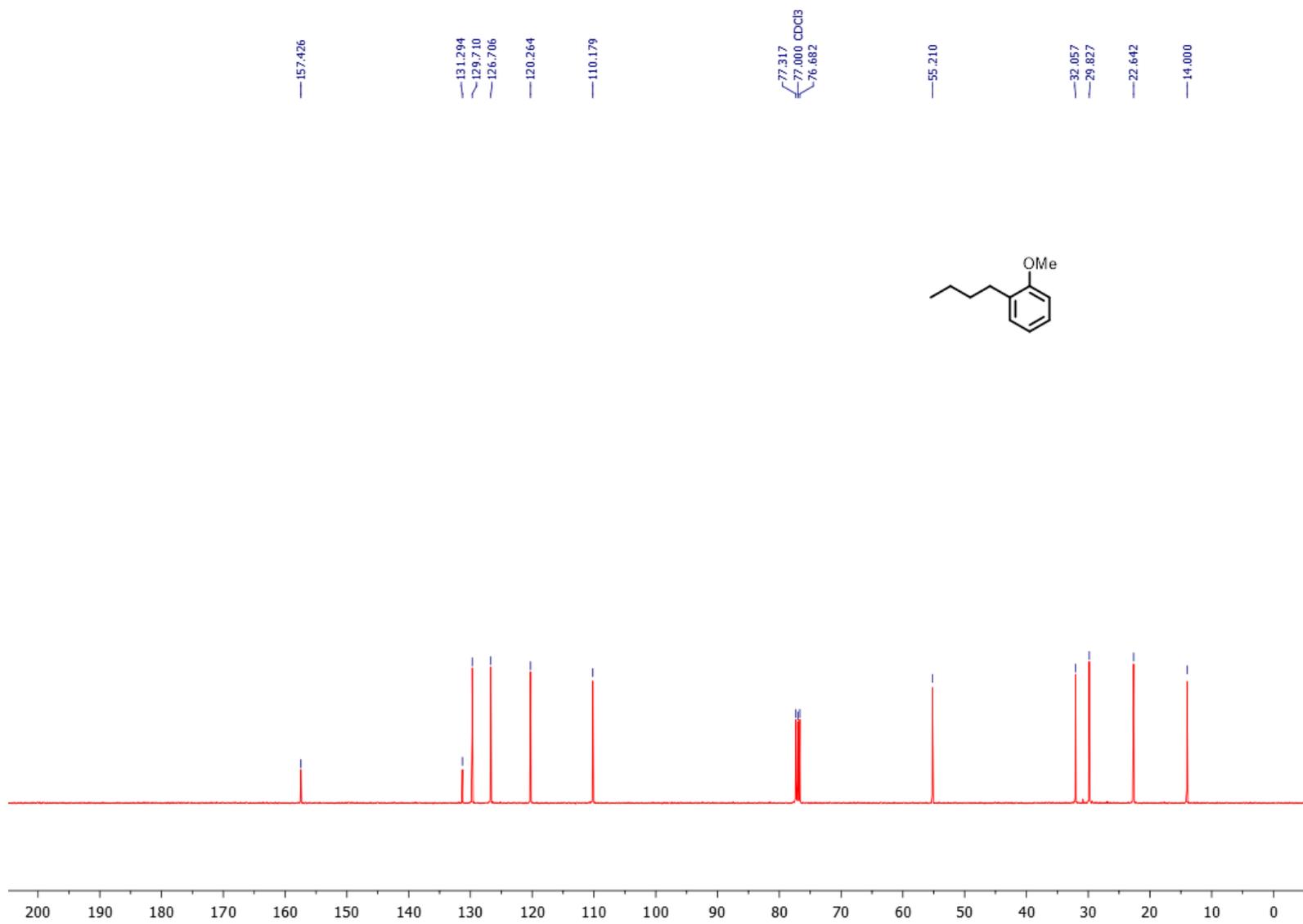
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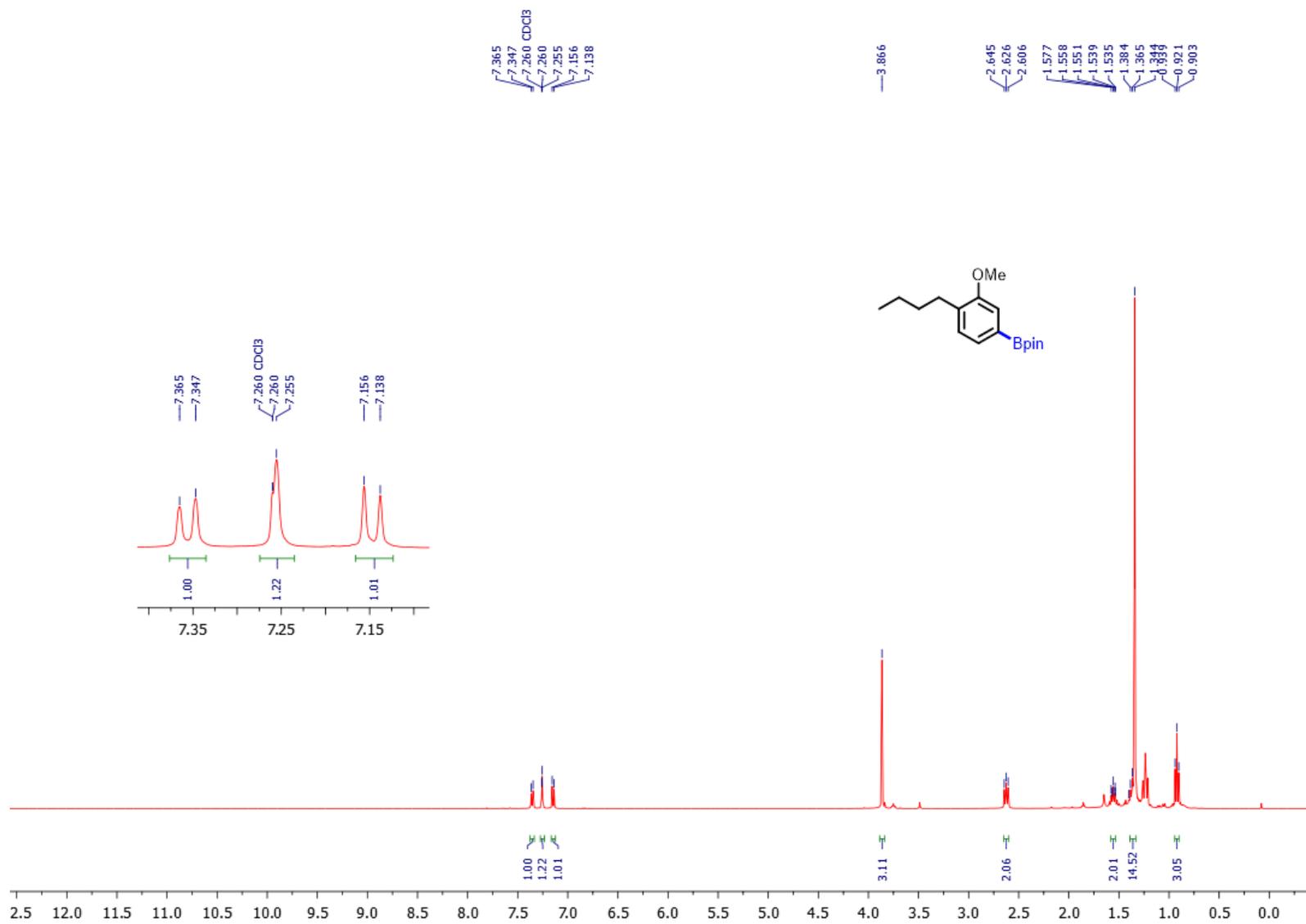
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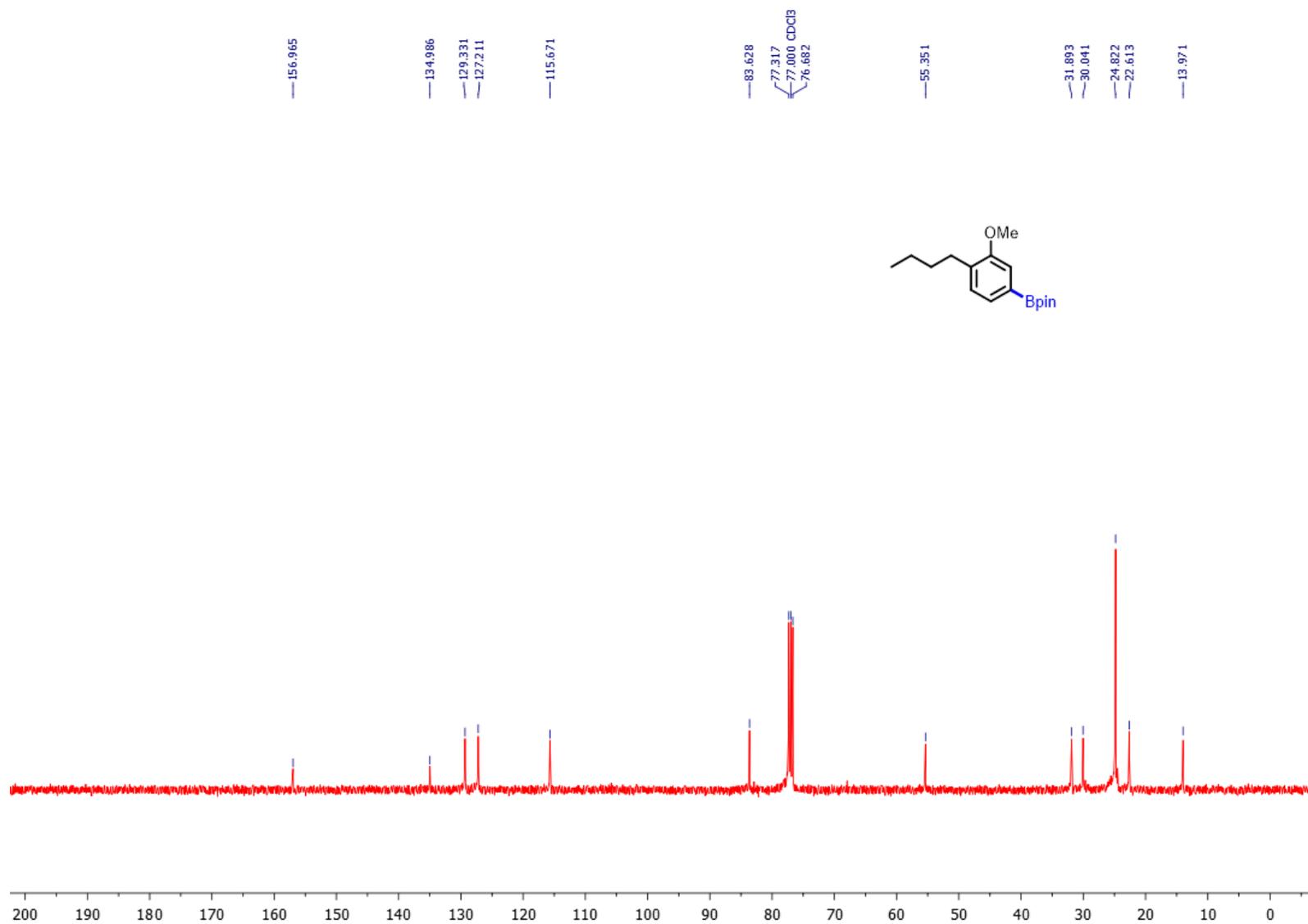
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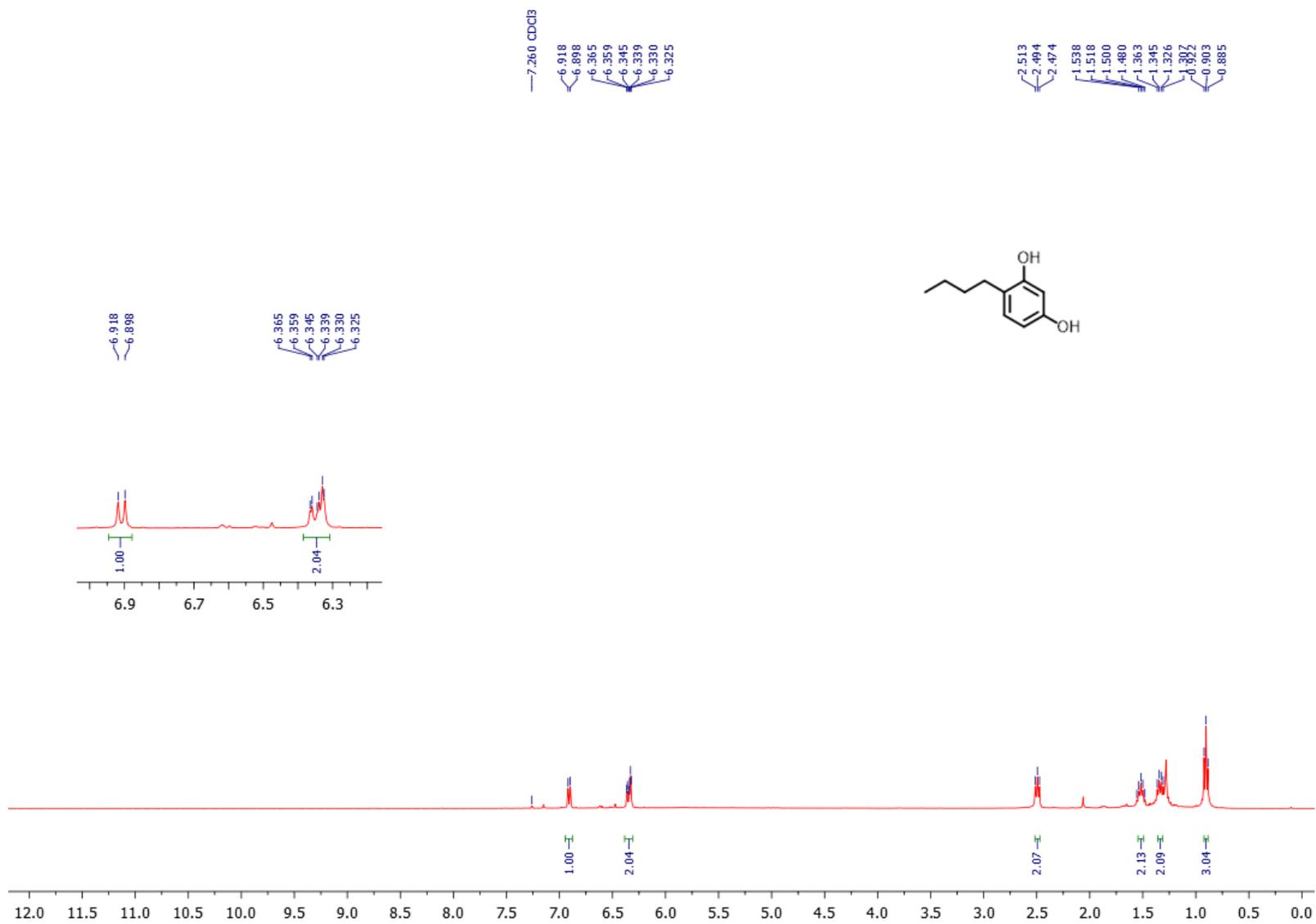
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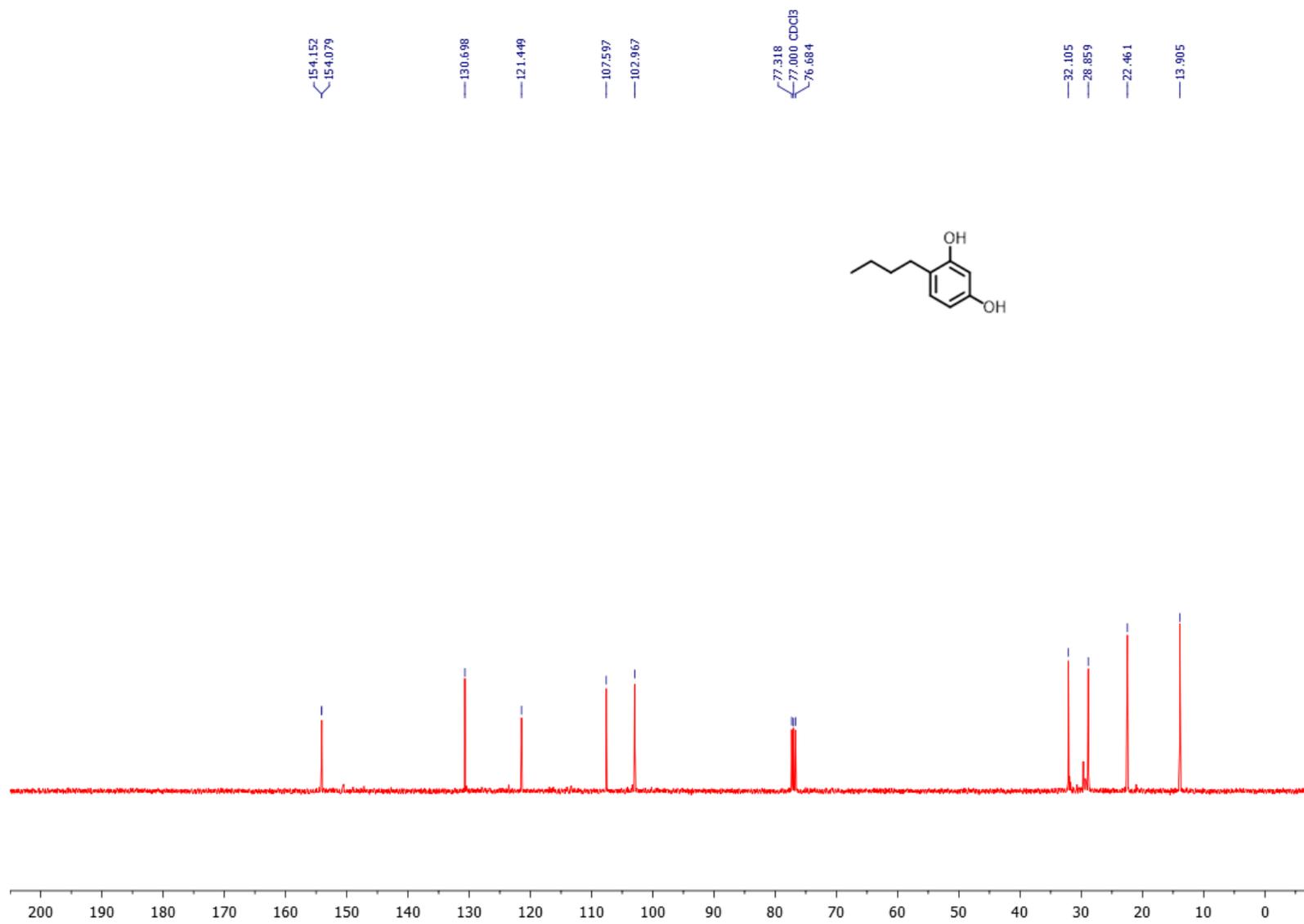
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