

Supporting Information

**Direct Access to  $\beta$ -Fluorinated Aldehydes by Nitrite-Modified Wacker Oxidation**

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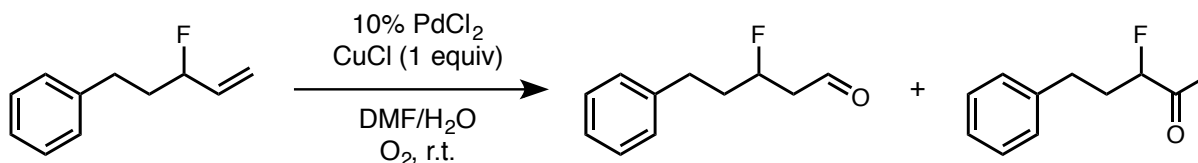
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### I. General Information

Anhydrous ether and dichloromethane used for substrate syntheses were purified and dried using a solvent-purification system containing activated alumina. All other solvents were purchased anhydrous with Sure/Seal™ septa from Sigma Aldrich and used without further purification. All reagents and standards were purchased from Sigma Aldrich and used without further purification. All metal salts were purchased from Sigma Aldrich or Strem and used without further purification. NMR analysis was performed on the following instruments at ambient temperature: Varian 300 MHz, Varian 400 MHz, Varian 500 MHz, Bruker 400 MHz spectrometers. High-resolution mass spectra were provided by the California Institute of Technology Mass Spectrometry Facility using a JEOL JMS- 600H High Resolution Mass Spectrometer.

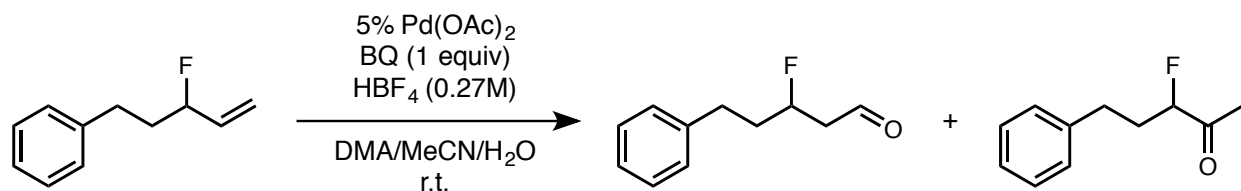
### II. Optimization of Reaction Conditions (Figure 1)

**For all reactions in Figure 1:** Following work up procedure, nitrobenzene (0.1 mmol, 10.3  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added as a standard, and  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis of the crude product was performed to determine yield and selectivity.

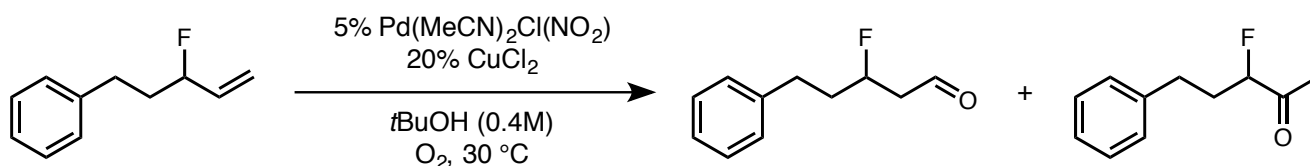


**Figure 1a: Tsuji-Wacker conditions.** The model substrate (0.1 mmol, 16.4 mg) was reacted using the “Procedure for Tsuji-Wacker oxidations” reported by Grubbs.<sup>1</sup> Oxidation yield: 12%. Selectivity: 0.3:1 (aldehyde/ketone).

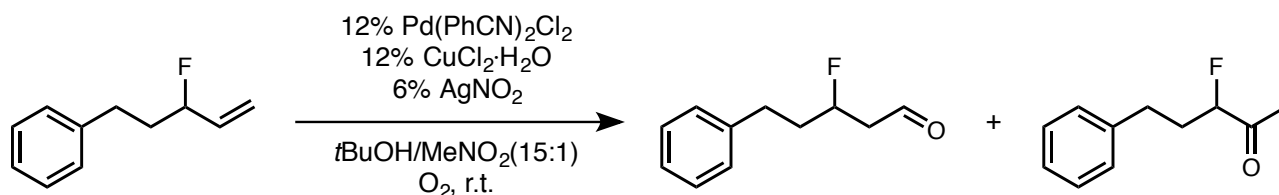
<sup>1</sup> Wickens, Z. K.; Skakuj, K.; Morandi, B.; Grubbs, R. H. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2014**, *136*, 890-893.



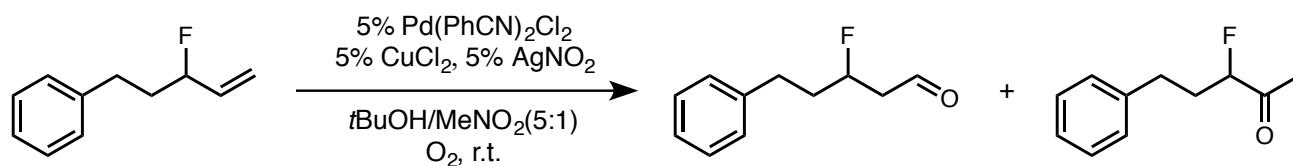
**Figure 1b: Grubbs (dicationic) conditions.**<sup>2</sup> The model substrate (0.1 mmol, 16.4 mg) was reacted using “General Procedure 2” reported by Grubbs. Following overnight reaction in a 1-dram vial, the work up procedure was followed. Oxidation yield: 48%. Selectivity: 3:1 (aldehyde/ketone).



**Figure 1c: Feringa conditions.**<sup>3</sup> The model substrate (0.1 mmol, 16.4 mg) was reacted using the “General procedure for oxidation reactions with Pd(MeCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl(NO<sub>2</sub>)/CuCl<sub>2</sub>” reported by Feringa. Following overnight reaction in a 1-dram vial, the work up procedure was followed. Oxidation yield: 40%. Selectivity: 18:1 (aldehyde/ketone).



**Figure 1d: Grubbs (nitrite) conditions.**<sup>4</sup> The model substrate (0.1 mmol, 16.4 mg) was reacted using the “Procedure (C) for small-scale oxidation of alkenes (NMR analysis)” reported by Grubbs. A 1-dram vial was used for the reaction, and, following sparging, the oxygen balloon was removed for the course of the reaction. Oxidation yield: 63%. Selectivity: 26:1 (aldehyde/ketone).



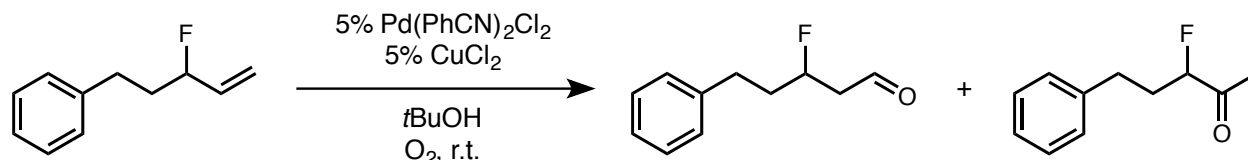
**Figure 1e: Optimized conditions.** A 1-dram vial equipped with a septum cap and magnetic stir bar was charged with CuCl<sub>2</sub> (0.7 mg, 0.005 mmol, 0.05 equiv), AgNO<sub>2</sub> (0.8 mg, 0.005 mmol, 0.05 equiv), and Pd(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.9 mg, 0.005 mmol, 0.05 equiv). The atmosphere was then

<sup>2</sup> Morandi, B.; Wickens, Z. K.; Grubbs, R. H. *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2013**, *52*, 2944-2948.

<sup>3</sup> Weiner, B.; Baeza, A.; Jerphagnon, T.; Feringa, B. L. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2009**, *131*, 9473-9474.

<sup>4</sup> Wickens, Z. K.; Morandi, B.; Grubbs, R. H. *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2013**, *52*, 11257-11260.

purged using an oxygen-filled balloon for ~30 seconds. *Tert*-butanol (0.88 mL) was then added via syringe, followed by nitromethane (0.18 mL). This mixture was sparged using an oxygen-filled balloon for ~60 seconds. (3-fluoropent-4-en-1-yl)benzene (0.1 mmol, 16.4 mg) was injected via glass syringe, the balloon was removed, and the septum cap was greased. The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 hours at room temperature. Upon completion, the solvent was removed via rotary evaporation. The reaction crude was resuspended in dichloromethane and filtered through a glass pipet containing celite, which was washed with dichloromethane. Dichloromethane was removed via rotary evaporation. Oxidation yield: 79%. Selectivity: 36:1 (aldehyde/ketone).



**Figure 1f: Wacker conditions in *t*BuOH.** A 1-dram vial equipped with a septum cap and magnetic stir bar was charged with  $\text{CuCl}_2$  (0.7 mg, 0.005 mmol, 0.05 equiv) and  $\text{Pd}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.9 mg, 0.005 mmol, 0.05 equiv). The atmosphere was then purged using an oxygen-filled balloon for ~30 seconds. *Tert*-butanol (1.06 mL) was then added via syringe. This mixture was sparged using an oxygen-filled balloon for ~60 seconds. (3-fluoropent-4-en-1-yl)benzene (0.1 mmol, 16.4 mg) was injected via glass syringe, the balloon was removed, and the septum cap was greased. The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. Upon completion, the solvent was removed via rotary evaporation. The reaction crude was resuspended in dichloromethane and filtered through a glass pipet containing celite, which was washed with dichloromethane. Dichloromethane was removed via rotary evaporation. Oxidation yield: 8%. Selectivity: 8:1 (aldehyde/ketone).

### III. Preparation of Allylic Fluorides

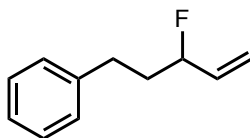
**General Procedure A: Synthesis of Allylic Fluorides.**<sup>5</sup>  $[\text{IrClCOD}]_2$  (0.025 equiv) was weighed into a 50 mL polypropylene centrifuge tube equipped with a large stir bar. A first portion of anhydrous ether (30% of the total solvent volume, 0.83 M relative to trichloroacetimidate) was added to the tube, followed by TEA·3HF (3 equiv). The trichloroacetimidate (1.0 equiv) was then dissolved in a second portion of anhydrous ether and added to the reaction vessel, bringing the final concentration of trichloroacetimidate to 0.25 M. The polypropylene tube was closed tightly, and the reaction was stirred vigorously at room temperature for 2 hours. Upon completion, the crude mixture was allowed to separate into two layers. A glass pipette was used to transfer the organic layer to a separatory funnel containing a saturated solution of  $\text{NaHCO}_3$ . Ether was added to the polypropylene tube followed by 2 minutes of vigorous stirring. The organic layer was again transferred to the separatory funnel, and this step was repeated once more. The combined organic layers were separated, and the remaining bicarb solution extracted once with ether. After drying over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , the solvent was

<sup>5</sup> Topczewski, J. J.; Tewson, T. J.; Nguyen, H. M. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2011**, *133*, 19318-19321. All trichloroacetimidates were synthesized by a general procedure described in this report.

removed by rotary evaporation. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (ether/pentane).

**General Procedure B: Fluorination of Alcohols.** A three-neck round bottom flask was equipped with an addition funnel and two septa. The system was purged with argon, and DAST (0.85 mL, 6.40 mmol, 1 equiv) and anhydrous DCM (6 mL) were added to the flask via syringe. The round-bottom flask was cooled to -78 °C and stirred. The alcohol (1.0 g, 1 equiv) was dissolved in 6 mL anhydrous DCM, transferred to the addition funnel, and added dropwise over 30 minutes. The reaction was allowed to slowly warm to room temperature and stirred overnight. Following reaction completion, the crude mixture was cooled to 0 °C for quenching. One neck previously closed with a septum was opened and saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution was slowly added via addition funnel to bring the mixture to basic pH. The mixture was then stirred for 1 hour at room temperature. The layers were separated, and the organic layer washed with brine. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation, and the residue was purified by column chromatography.

The yields have not been optimized.



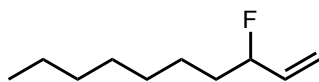
**(3-fluoropent-4-en-1-yl)benzene.** The fluoride was prepared according to General Procedure A from the corresponding trichloroacetimidate, 5-phenylpent-1-en-3-yl 2,2,2-trichloroacetimidate. The product was purified by flash chromatography (1% ether/pentane). Colorless oil (1.84 g, 68% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.35–7.29 (m, 2H), 7.25–7.19 (m, 3H), 6.00–5.86 (m, 1H), 5.40–5.31 (m, 1H), 5.26 (dt, 1H, *J* = 10.7, 1.3 Hz), 4.99–4.82 (m, 1H), 2.86–2.69 (m, 2H), 2.14–1.86 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 141.5, 136.7 (d, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 128.8, 126.4, 117.4 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz), 93.0 (d, *J* = 167.6 Hz), 37.2 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 31.3 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -178.86 (dddd, *J* = 48.5, 28.0, 17.3, 14.2, 3.5 Hz).

MS (EI) *m/z* (*M*<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>13</sub>F: 164.1001, found: 164.0982.



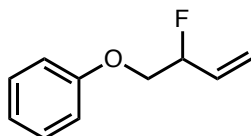
**3-fluorodec-1-ene.** The fluoride was prepared according to General Procedure A from the corresponding trichloroacetimidate, dec-1-en-3-yl 2,2,2-trichloroacetimidate. The product was purified by flash chromatography (pentane). Colorless oil (250 mg, 32% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.88 (dddd, 1H, *J* = 16.9, 14.0, 10.6, 6.1 Hz), 5.30 (ddt, 1H, *J* = 17.3, 3.6, 1.4 Hz), 5.21 (dt, 1H, *J* = 10.6, 1.3 Hz), 4.94–4.78 (m, 1H), 1.79–1.52 (m, 2H), 1.49–1.21 (m, 10H), 0.92–0.81 (m, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  137.2 (d,  $J = 20.2$  Hz), 117.1 (d,  $J = 11.3$  Hz), 94.1 (d,  $J = 167.6$  Hz), 35.6 (d,  $J = 21.4$  Hz), 32.1, 29.7, 29.5, 25.0 (d,  $J = 5.0$  Hz), 23.0, 14.4.

$^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -176.74 (dddd,  $J = 48.1, 26.2, 17.7, 13.9, 3.6$  Hz).

MS (EI)  $m/z$  ( $\text{M}^+ - \text{HF}$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{18}$ : 138.1408, found: 138.1430.



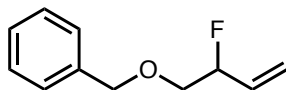
**((2-fluorobut-3-en-1-yl)oxy)benzene.** The fluoride was prepared according to General Procedure A from the corresponding trichloroacetimidate, 1-phenoxybut-3-en-2-yl 2,2,2-trichloroacetimidate. The product was purified by flash chromatography (5% ether/pentane). Colorless oil (1.20 g, 77% yield).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.33–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.02–6.97 (m, 1H), 6.96–6.91 (m, 2H), 6.08–5.96 (m, 1H), 5.53 (ddt, 1H,  $J = 17.3, 3.0, 1.3$  Hz), 5.40 (dt, 1H,  $J = 10.8, 1.3$  Hz), 5.35–5.18 (m, 1H), 4.20–4.04 (m, 2H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  158.7, 132.8 (d,  $J = 20.2$  Hz), 129.9, 121.6, 119.5 (d,  $J = 11.3$  Hz), 115.0, 91.5 (d,  $J = 173.9$  Hz), 70.0 (d,  $J = 23.9$  Hz).

$^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -185.41 (dddd,  $J = 48.7, 24.7, 19.8, 14.8, 3.1$  Hz).

MS (EI)  $m/z$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{11}\text{FO}$ : 166.0794, found: 166.0788.



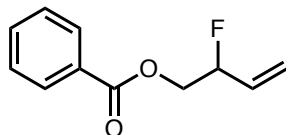
**(((2-fluorobut-3-en-1-yl)oxy)methyl)benzene.** The fluoride was prepared according to General Procedure A from the corresponding trichloroacetimidate, 1-(benzyloxy)but-3-en-2-yl 2,2,2-trichloroacetimidate. The product was purified by flash chromatography (5% ether/pentane). Colorless oil (144 mg, 52% yield).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.41–7.25 (m, 5H), 5.90 (dddd, 1H,  $J = 17.3, 15.1, 10.8, 5.7$  Hz), 5.43 (ddt, 1H,  $J = 17.3, 2.9, 1.4$  Hz), 5.31 (dt, 1H,  $J = 10.8, 1.3$  Hz), 5.18–5.01 (m, 1H), 4.68–4.54 (m, 2H), 3.68–3.54 (m, 2H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  138.1, 133.3 (d,  $J = 20.2$  Hz), 128.8, 128.10, 128.06, 118.8 (d,  $J = 11.3$  Hz), 92.6 (d,  $J = 171.4$  Hz), 73.8, 72.3 (d,  $J = 22.7$  Hz).

$^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -184.63 – -185.09 (m).

MS (EI)  $m/z$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{13}\text{FO}$ : 180.0950, found: 180.0952.



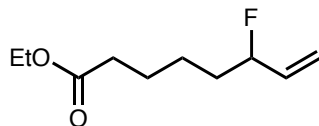
**2-fluorobut-3-en-1-yl benzoate.** The fluoride was prepared according to General Procedure A from the corresponding trichloroacetimidate, 2-(2,2,2-trichloro-1-iminoethoxy)but-3-en-1-yl benzoate. The product was purified by flash chromatography (10% ether/pentane). Colorless oil (344 mg, 60% yield).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.11–8.04 (m, 2H), 7.62–7.54 (m, 1H), 7.49–7.42 (m, 2H), 5.96 (dddd, 1H,  $J = 17.4, 15.1, 10.8, 5.7$  Hz), 5.52 (ddt, 1H,  $J = 17.3, 2.8, 1.3$  Hz), 5.40 (dt, 1H,  $J = 10.8, 1.2$  Hz), 5.32–5.17 (m, 1H), 4.52 (ddd, 1H,  $J = 26.6, 12.4, 3.0$  Hz), 4.42 (ddd, 1H,  $J = 20.4, 12.4, 7.0$  Hz).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  166.5, 133.6, 132.3 (d,  $J = 20.2$  Hz), 130.1, 130.0, 128.8, 119.8 (d,  $J = 11.3$  Hz), 91.0 (d,  $J = 173.9$  Hz), 66.1 (d,  $J = 22.7$  Hz).

$^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -186.05 (dddd,  $J = 48.7, 26.5, 20.4, 15.0, 3.0$  Hz).

MS (EI)  $m/z$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{11}\text{FO}_2$ : 194.0743, found: 194.0721.



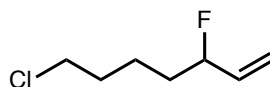
**ethyl 6-fluorooct-7-enoate.** The fluoride was prepared according to General Procedure A from the corresponding trichloroacetimidate, ethyl 6-(2,2,2-trichloro-1-iminoethoxy)oct-7-enoate. The product was purified by flash chromatography (10% ether/pentane). Colorless oil (124 mg, 55% yield).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  5.86 (dddd, 1H,  $J = 17.3, 14.0, 10.6, 6.1$  Hz), 5.30 (ddt, 1H,  $J = 17.3, 3.6, 1.4$  Hz), 5.21 (dt, 1H,  $J = 10.6, 1.3$  Hz), 4.98–4.73 (m, 1H), 4.12 (q, 2H,  $J = 7.1$  Hz), 2.31 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.5$  Hz), 1.82–1.33 (m, 6H), 1.25 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.1$  Hz).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  173.9, 136.8 (d,  $J = 20.2$  Hz), 117.3 (d,  $J = 12.1$  Hz), 93.7 (d,  $J = 167.7$  Hz), 60.6, 35.2 (d,  $J = 22.2$  Hz), 34.5, 25.0, 24.6 (d,  $J = 5.0$  Hz), 14.6.

$^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -177.17 – -177.57 (m).

MS (EI)  $m/z$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{17}\text{FO}_2$ : 188.1201, found: 188.1185.



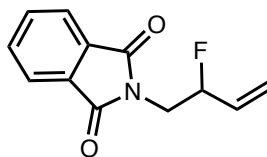
**7-chloro-3-fluorohept-1-ene.** The fluoride was prepared according to General Procedure A from the corresponding trichloroacetimidate, 7-chlorohept-1-en-3-yl 2,2,2-trichloroacetimidate. The product was purified by flash chromatography (1% ether/pentane). Colorless oil (583 mg, 57% yield).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  5.88 (dddd, 1H,  $J = 17.3, 14.1, 10.6, 6.0$  Hz), 5.32 (ddt, 1H,  $J = 17.3, 3.5, 1.4$  Hz), 5.23 (dt, 1H,  $J = 10.6, 1.3$  Hz), 5.03–4.72 (m, 1H), 3.55 (t, 2H,  $J = 6.6$  Hz), 1.93–1.43 (m, 6H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  136.7 (d,  $J = 18.9$  Hz), 117.4 (d,  $J = 12.6$  Hz), 93.7 (d,  $J = 167.6$  Hz), 45.1, 34.7 (d,  $J = 22.7$  Hz), 32.6, 22.4 (d,  $J = 5.0$  Hz).

$^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -177.21 – -177.68 (m).

MS (EI)  $m/z$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_{12}\text{ClF}$ : 150.0612, found: 150.0659.



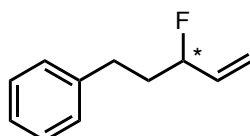
**2-(2-fluorobut-3-en-1-yl)isoindoline-1,3-dione.** The fluoride was prepared according to General Procedure A from the corresponding trichloroacetimidate, 1-(1,3-dioxoisoindolin-2-yl)but-3-en-2-yl 2,2,2-trichloroacetimidate. The product was purified by flash chromatography (20% Et<sub>2</sub>O/pentane). White solid (173 mg, 65% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.91–7.80 (m, 2H), 7.78–7.67 (m, 2H), 5.93 (dddd, 1H, *J* = 17.3, 14.5, 10.7, 6.0 Hz), 5.46 (ddt, 1H, *J* = 17.2, 3.3, 1.2 Hz), 5.34 (dt, 1H, *J* = 10.7, 1.2 Hz), 5.29–5.11 (m, 1H), 4.03 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 14.4, 13.7, 8.2 Hz), 3.82 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 26.4, 14.4, 4.0 Hz).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 168.3, 134.5, 133.3 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz), 132.2, 123.8, 120.0 (d, *J* = 11.3 Hz), 90.4 (d, *J* = 173.9 Hz), 41.8 (d, *J* = 26.5 Hz).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -184.20 – -184.59 (m).

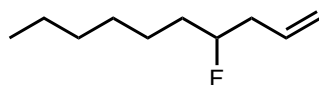
MS (FAB) *m/z* (M<sup>+</sup>+H) calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>11</sub>FNO<sub>2</sub>: 220.0774, found: 220.0771.



**(3-fluoropent-4-en-1-yl)benzene.** The fluoride was prepared according to literature procedure<sup>6</sup> from the corresponding trichloroacetimidate, 5-phenylpent-1-en-3-yl 2,2,2-trichloroacetimidate. The commercially available Lin diene ligand investigated by Nguyen (CAS# 940280-80-8, (*S,S*)-enantiomer) was used. The product was purified by flash chromatography (1% ether/pentane) followed by purification by preparative HPLC (Daicel CHIRALPAK® IC column, 2.0 cm X 25.0 cm, 0.5% 2-PrOH/hexanes). Colorless oil (37 mg, 30% yield, 90% ee).

HPLC analysis: Daicel CHIRALCEL® OD column; 0.5% 2-PrOH/hexanes; 0.8 mL/min; retention times: 8.5 min (minor), 9.1 min (major).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.34–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.25–7.18 (m, 3H), 5.92 (dddd, 1H, *J* = 17.3, 14.2, 10.7, 6.0 Hz), 5.34 (ddt, 1H, *J* = 17.2, 3.6, 1.4 Hz), 5.25 (dt, 1H, *J* = 10.6, 1.3 Hz), 5.03–4.77 (m, 1H), 2.88–2.64 (m, 2H), 2.15–1.84 (m, 2H).



**4-fluorodec-1-ene.** The fluoride was prepared according to General Procedure B from the corresponding alcohol, dec-1-en-4-ol. The product was purified by flash chromatography (pentane). Colorless oil (374 mg, 37% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.83 (ddt, 1H, *J* = 17.2, 10.2, 7.0 Hz), 5.18–5.05 (m, 2H), 4.61–4.43 (m, 1H), 2.46–2.22 (m, 2H), 1.71–1.21 (m, 10H), 0.93–0.85 (m, 3H).

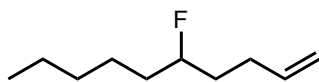
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 133.8 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 118.0, 93.9 (d, *J* = 168.8 Hz), 39.9 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 35.0 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 32.1, 29.5, 25.3 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 22.9, 14.4.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -179.49 – -180.17 (m).

MS (EI) *m/z* (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F: 158.1471, found: 158.1478.

<sup>6</sup> Zhang, Q.; Stockdale, D. P.; Mixdorf, J. C.; Topczewski, J. J.; Nguyen, H. M. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2015**, *137*, 11912-11915.





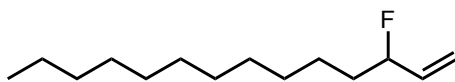
**5-fluorodec-1-ene.** The fluoride was prepared according to General Procedure B from the corresponding alcohol, dec-1-en-5-ol. The product was purified by flash chromatography (pentane). Colorless oil (495 mg, 49% yield).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  5.82 (ddt, 1H,  $J = 16.9, 10.2, 6.6$  Hz), 5.12–4.90 (m, 2H), 4.63–4.34 (m, 1H), 2.33–2.03 (m, 2H), 1.83–1.17 (m, 10H), 0.94–0.83 (m, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  138.2, 115.3, 94.1 (d,  $J = 167.6$  Hz), 35.5 (d,  $J = 20.2$  Hz), 34.7 (d,  $J = 20.2$  Hz), 32.04, 29.7 (d,  $J = 5.0$  Hz), 25.1 (d,  $J = 5.0$  Hz), 22.9, 14.4.

$^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -180.92 – -181.52 (m).

MS (EI)  $m/z$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{19}\text{F}$ : 158.1471, found: 158.1497.



**3-fluorotetradec-1-ene.** The fluoride was prepared according to General Procedure A from the corresponding trichloroacetimidate, tetradec-1-en-3-yl 2,2,2-trichloroacetimidate. The product was purified by flash chromatography (pentane). Colorless oil (693 mg, 65% yield).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  5.96–5.82 (m, 1H), 5.32 (ddt, 1H,  $J = 17.3, 3.6, 1.4$  Hz), 5.22 (dt, 1H,  $J = 10.7, 1.3$  Hz), 4.97–4.78 (m, 1H), 1.81–1.52 (m, 2H), 1.50–1.18 (m, 18H), 0.97–0.82 (m, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  137.1 (d,  $J = 20.2$  Hz), 117.1 (d,  $J = 12.6$  Hz), 94.1 (d,  $J = 167.6$  Hz), 35.6 (d,  $J = 22.7$  Hz), 32.3, 30.00, 29.98, 29.91, 29.86, 29.74, 29.70, 25.0 (d,  $J = 5.0$  Hz), 23.0, 14.5.

$^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -176.52 – -177.01 (m).

MS (EI)  $m/z$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{27}\text{F}$ : 214.2097, found: 214.2095.

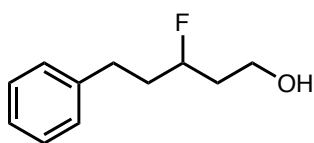
#### IV. Wacker Oxidations of Allylic Fluorides (Table 1)

**General Procedure C: Nitrite-Modified Wacker Oxidations of Allylic Fluorides.** A 2-dram vial equipped with a septum cap and magnetic stir bar was charged with  $\text{CuCl}_2$  (2.7 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.05 equiv),  $\text{AgNO}_2$  (3.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.05 equiv), and  $\text{Pd}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2$  (7.7 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.05 equiv). The atmosphere was then purged using an oxygen-filled balloon for ~30 seconds. *Tert*-butanol (3.5 mL) was then added via syringe, followed by nitromethane (0.7 mL). This mixture was sparged using an oxygen-filled balloon for ~60 seconds, and the balloon was left attached to the vial for the remainder of the reaction. The allylic fluoride (0.4 mmol) was injected via glass syringe, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 4 hours. Upon completion, the solvent was removed via rotary evaporation. The reaction crude was resuspended in ~2 mL dichloromethane and filtered through a glass pipet containing celite washed with dichloromethane into a round-bottom flask. Dichloromethane was removed via rotary evaporation. The crude aldehyde product was subjected to  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis to determine regioselectivity of oxidation prior to reduction.

For solid substrates: The reaction set up was completed as described above, but the allylic fluoride was added as a solution in nitromethane, followed by final sparging with oxygen.

**General Procedure D: Reduction of Aldehyde Products and Isolation.** The flask containing crude aldehyde product was equipped with a large stir bar, closed with a septum, and purged

using an argon-filled balloon, left attached for the course of the reduction. Dichloromethane (14 mL) and ethanol (10 mL) were added via syringe, and the mixture was stirred and cooled to 0 °C. Sodium borohydride (22.7 mg, 0.6 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was then added and the atmosphere purged again using an argon-filled balloon. This mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 30 minutes. Following reduction of the aldehyde, the reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C. Saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution (~70 mL) was added slowly (over 5-10 minutes) through the septum via syringe with the argon-filled balloon left intact, followed by vigorous stirring for 30 minutes at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was then transferred to a separatory funnel and extracted 4 times with ether, without further dilution with water. The combined organic layers were washed twice with saturated sodium bicarbonate solution and once with brine, and then dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation and the residue purified by column chromatography (ether/pentane).



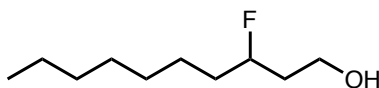
**3-fluoro-5-phenylpentan-1-ol (Table 1, Entry 1).** The title compound was synthesized according to General Procedures C and D from (3-fluoropent-4-en-1-yl)benzene (65.7 mg, 0.40 mmol). <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis displayed 33:1 aldehyde selectivity. The product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (40% ether/pentane). Pale yellow oil (60 mg, 82% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.34–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.16 (m, 3H), 4.72 (dtt, 1H, *J* = 49.7, 8.9, 3.4 Hz), 3.88–3.75 (m, 2H), 2.84 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 14.6, 9.9, 5.2 Hz), 2.72 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 13.8, 9.5, 7.0 Hz), 2.12–1.73 (m, 4H), 1.66 (br s, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 141.6, 128.80, 128.77, 126.3, 91.9 (d, *J* = 166.3 Hz), 59.6 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 38.2 (d, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 37.5 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 31.6 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -184.22 (dtd, *J* = 65.9, 33.0, 16.1 Hz).

MS (FAB) *m/z* (M<sup>+</sup>+H) calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>16</sub>FO: 183.1185, found: 183.1204.



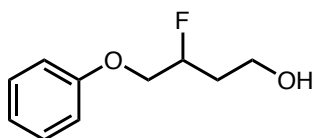
**3-fluorodecan-1-ol (Table 1, Entry 2).** The title compound was synthesized according to General Procedures C and D from 3-fluorodec-1-ene (63.3 mg, 0.40 mmol). <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis displayed 29:1 aldehyde selectivity. The product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (40% ether/pentane). Pale yellow solid (62 mg, 87% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 4.80–4.59 (m, 1H), 3.87–3.75 (m, 2H), 1.94–1.19 (m, 15H), 0.96–0.81 (m, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 93.1 (d, *J* = 166.3 Hz), 59.9 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 38.2 (d, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 35.7 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 32.1, 29.7, 29.5, 25.4 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 22.3, 14.4.

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -182.30 (dddt, *J* = 50.6, 34.2, 29.6, 17.1 Hz).

MS (FAB) *m/z* (M<sup>+</sup>-F) calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>21</sub>O: 157.1592, found: 157.1594.



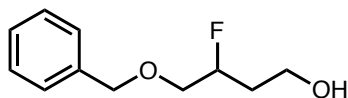
**3-fluoro-4-phenoxybutan-1-ol (Table 1, Entry 3).** The title compound was synthesized according to General Procedures C and D from ((2-fluorobut-3-en-1-yl)oxy)benzene (66.5 mg, 0.40 mmol). <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis displayed ≥99:1 aldehyde selectivity. The product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (50% ether/pentane). Pale yellow solid (69 mg, 94% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.34–7.27 (m, 2H), 6.98 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.4 Hz), 6.93 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 5.17–4.95 (m, 1H), 4.19–4.09 (m, 2H), 3.92–3.82 (m, 2H), 2.16–1.85 (m, 2H), 1.76 (br s, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 158.7, 129.9, 121.6, 114.9, 90.1 (d, *J* = 172.6 Hz), 69.9 (d, *J* = 23.9 Hz), 59.0 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 34.6 (d, *J* = 20.2 Hz).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -189.32 (ddtd, *J* = 48.3, 31.6, 22.3, 16.3 Hz).

MS (EI) *m/z* (*M*<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>13</sub>FO<sub>2</sub>: 184.0900, found: 184.0912.



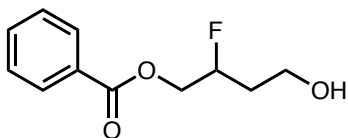
**4-(benzyloxy)-3-fluorobutan-1-ol (Table 1, Entry 4).** The title compound was synthesized according to General Procedures C and D from (((2-fluorobut-3-en-1-yl)oxy)methyl)benzene (72.1 mg, 0.40 mmol). <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis displayed ≥99:1 aldehyde selectivity. The product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (50% ether/pentane). Pale yellow oil (74 mg, 93% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.39–7.27 (m, 5H), 4.98–4.78 (m, 1H), 4.63–4.57 (m, 2H), 3.84–3.76 (m, 2H), 3.70–3.64 (m, 1H), 3.64–3.58 (m, 1H), 2.05–1.81 (m, 2H), 1.68 (br s, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 138.0, 128.8, 128.2, 128.1, 91.2 (d, *J* = 171.4 Hz), 73.8, 72.1 (d, *J* = 22.7 Hz), 59.0 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 34.8 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -188.08 – -188.66 (m).

MS (EI) *m/z* (*M*<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>15</sub>FO<sub>2</sub>: 198.1056, found: 198.1084.



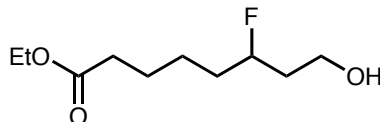
**2-fluoro-4-hydroxybutyl benzoate (Table 1, Entry 5).** The title compound was synthesized according to General Procedures C and D from 2-fluorobut-3-en-1-yl benzoate (77.7 mg, 0.40 mmol). <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis displayed ≥99:1 aldehyde selectivity. The product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (60% ether/pentane). White solid (79 mg, 93% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.10–8.06 (m, 2H), 7.61–7.55 (m, 1H), 7.49–7.42 (m, 2H), 5.06 (dddd, 1H, *J* = 49.2, 9.0, 6.4, 3.9, 2.7 Hz), 4.60–4.41 (m, 2H), 3.91–3.86 (m, 2H), 2.14–1.83 (m, 2H), 1.55 (br s, 1H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.7, 133.6, 130.1, 129.9, 128.8, 89.6 (d, *J* = 172.6 Hz), 66.6 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 58.8 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 34.4 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -189.14 – -189.79 (m).

MS (FAB)  $m/z$  ( $M^+ + H$ ) calcd for  $C_{11}H_{14}FO_3$ : 213.0927, found: 213.0938.



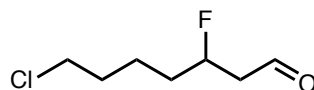
**ethyl 6-fluoro-8-hydroxyoctanoate (Table 1, Entry 6).** The title compound was synthesized according to General Procedures C and D from ethyl 6-fluorooct-7-enoate (75.3 mg, 0.40 mmol).  $^1H$  NMR analysis displayed 29:1 aldehyde selectivity. The product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (60% ether/pentane). Colorless oil (59 mg, 72% yield).

$^1H$  NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  4.79–4.59 (m, 1H), 4.11 (q, 2H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 3.83–3.74 (m, 2H), 2.30 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.4$  Hz), 1.93–1.29 (m, 9H), 1.24 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.1$  Hz).

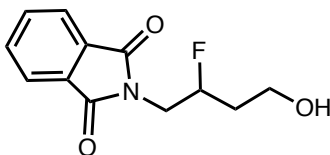
$^{13}C$  NMR (101 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  173.9, 92.5 (d,  $J = 166.3$  Hz), 60.6, 59.6 (d,  $J = 3.8$  Hz), 38.1 (d,  $J = 20.2$  Hz), 35.3 (d,  $J = 21.4$  Hz), 34.5, 25.0, 24.9 (d,  $J = 3.8$  Hz), 14.6.

$^{19}F$  NMR (376 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  -182.90 (dddt,  $J = 50.2, 33.8, 29.7, 16.9$  Hz).

MS (FAB)  $m/z$  ( $M^+ + H$ ) calcd for  $C_{10}H_{20}FO_3$ : 207.1396, found: 207.1401.



**7-chloro-3-fluoroheptanal (Table 1, Entry 7).** The title compound was synthesized according to General Procedure C from 7-chloro-3-fluorohept-1-ene (60.4 mg, 0.40 mmol). Upon completion, nitrobenzene (0.40 mmol) was added as an NMR standard.  $^1H$  NMR analysis of an aliquot of the crude reaction mixture (without any rotary evaporation step) displayed 42:1 aldehyde selectivity and 81% yield.



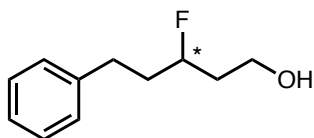
**2-(2-fluoro-4-hydroxybutyl)isoindoline-1,3-dione (Table 1, Entry 8).** The title compound was synthesized according to General Procedures C and D from 2-(2-fluorobut-3-en-1-yl)isoindoline-1,3-dione (87.7 mg, 0.40 mmol).  $^1H$  NMR analysis displayed  $\geq 99:1$  aldehyde selectivity. The product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (1:1:1 ether/DCM/pentane). Light yellow solid (73 mg, 77% yield).

$^1H$  NMR (500 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  7.90–7.83 (m, 2H), 7.77–7.70 (m, 2H), 5.10–4.90 (m, 1H), 4.05 (ddd, 1H,  $J = 16.1, 14.5, 7.8$  Hz), 3.92–3.78 (m, 3H), 2.02–1.86 (m, 2H).

$^{13}C$  NMR (126 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  168.5, 134.5, 132.2, 123.8, 89.5 (d,  $J = 173.9$  Hz), 59.0 (d,  $J = 5.0$  Hz), 42.1 (d,  $J = 23.9$  Hz), 35.7 (d,  $J = 20.2$  Hz).

$^{19}F$  NMR (376 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta$  -188.23 – -188.74 (m).

MS (EI)  $m/z$  ( $M^+$ ) calcd for  $C_{12}H_{12}FNO_3$ : 237.0801, found: 237.0797.



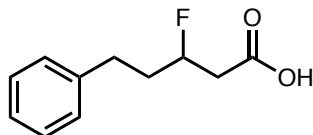
**3-fluoro-5-phenylpentan-1-ol (Equation 1).** The title compound was synthesized according to General Procedures C and D from (3-fluoropent-4-en-1-yl)benzene (33 mg, 0.20 mmol).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis displayed 30:1 aldehyde selectivity. The product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (25→75% ether/pentane). Colorless oil (30 mg, 82% yield, 90% ee).

HPLC analysis: Daicel CHIRALCEL® OD column; 15% 2-PrOH/hexanes; 0.9 mL/min; retention times: 7.3 min (minor), 8.7 min (major).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.34–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.16 (m, 3H), 4.72 (dtt, 1H,  $J = 49.7, 8.9, 3.4$  Hz), 3.87–3.76 (m, 2H), 2.84 (ddd, 1H,  $J = 14.7, 9.9, 5.2$  Hz, 1H), 2.72 (ddd, 1H,  $J = 13.8, 9.5, 7.0$  Hz), 2.09–1.74 (m, 4H), 1.55 (br s, 1H).

## V. Derivatizations of Beta-Fluorinated Aldehydes (Scheme 2)

All derivatizations were performed on crude aldehydes produced from (3-fluoropent-4-en-1-yl)benzene using General Procedure C. All yields reported over two steps.



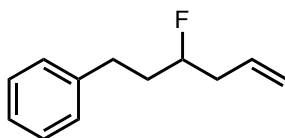
**3-fluoro-5-phenylpentanoic acid (Scheme 2a).** The title compound was synthesized from 3-fluoro-5-phenylpentanal (produced from 0.40 mmol (3-fluoropent-4-en-1-yl)benzene) using the “General Procedure for Oxidation of Aldehyde to Carboxylic Acid” reported by Borhan.<sup>7</sup> The product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (5% MeOH/pentane). Clear crystals (71 mg, 90% yield).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.77 (br s, 1H), 7.35–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.15 (m, 3H), 4.95 (dtt, 1H,  $J = 48.1, 8.3, 4.0$  Hz), 2.92–2.50 (m, 4H), 2.17–1.81 (m, 2H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  176.2 (d,  $J = 6.1$  Hz), 141.1, 128.9, 128.8, 126.5, 89.5 (d,  $J = 170.7$  Hz), 40.4 (d,  $J = 24.2$  Hz), 36.9 (d,  $J = 21.2$  Hz), 31.4 (d,  $J = 4.0$  Hz).

$^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (376 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  -181.38 – -181.83 (m).

MS (FAB)  $m/z$  ( $\text{M}^+\text{+H}$ ) calcd for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_2\text{F}$ : 197.0978, found: 197.0980.



**(3-fluorohex-5-en-1-yl)benzene (Scheme 2b).** A 1-dram vial equipped with a septum cap and stir bar was charged with  $\text{MePPh}_3\text{Br}$  (54 mg, 1.5 equiv, 0.15 mmol). The atmosphere was purged using an argon-filled balloon, and anhydrous THF was added via syringe (0.5 mL). The

<sup>7</sup> Travis, B. R.; Sivakumar, M.; Hollist, G. O.; Borhan, B. *Org. Lett.* **2003**, *5*, 1031-1034.

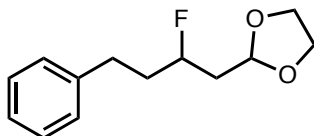
mixture was cooled to 0 °C with stirring, and *n*BuLi (2.5 M in hexanes, 1.4 equiv) was added via glass syringe. The mixture was allowed to stir for 30 minutes at 0 °C. 3-fluoro-5-phenylpentanal (produced from 0.10 mmol (3-fluoropent-4-en-1-yl)benzene) was dissolved in THF (0.2 mL) under argon atmosphere, and the solution was added via microsyringe to the reaction mixture. The reaction was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred overnight. Saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution was added to the crude mixture and extracted 3 times with ether. Following drying over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, the solvent was removed by rotary evaporation. The residue was purified by preparative thin-layer chromatography on silica gel (2% ether/pentane). Pale yellow oil (12 mg, 65% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.35–7.24 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.15 (m, 3H), 5.91–5.73 (m, 1H), 5.18–5.05 (m, 2H), 4.69–4.39 (m, 1H), 2.83 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 14.9, 9.8, 5.3 Hz), 2.69 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 13.8, 9.4, 7.1 Hz), 2.54–2.24 (m, 2H), 2.08–1.71 (m, 2H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 141.7, 133.4 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz), 128.80, 128.79, 126.3, 118.3, 92.8 (d, *J* = 170.1 Hz), 39.9 (d, *J* = 22.7 Hz), 36.8 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 31.6 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -181.34 – -181.99 (m).

MS (EI) *m/z* (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>15</sub>F: 178.1158, found: 178.1158.



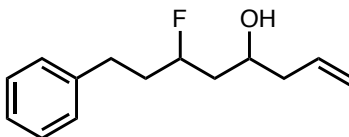
**2-(2-fluoro-4-phenylbutyl)-1,3-dioxolane (Scheme 2d).** 3-fluoro-5-phenylpentanal (produced from 0.40 mmol (3-fluoropent-4-en-1-yl)benzene) was dissolved in 2 mL ethylene glycol (0.2 M). Molecular sieves (4Å, 130 mg) were then added. *P*-toluenesulfonic acid (76.1 mg, 1 equiv, 0.40 mmol) was added, and the reaction was stirred for 6 hours at room temperature. The reaction was quenched with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution, and extracted three times with ether. After drying over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, the solvent was removed by rotary evaporation. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (20% Et<sub>2</sub>O/pentane). Colorless oil (50 mg, 56% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.33–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.23–7.17 (m, 3H), 5.03 (dd, 1H, *J* = 6.4, 3.6 Hz), 4.75 (dtt, 1H, *J* = 49.4, 8.7, 3.6 Hz), 4.03–3.92 (m, 2H), 3.92–3.82 (m, 2H), 2.84 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 13.8, 10.1, 5.2 Hz), 2.71 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 13.9, 9.7, 6.8 Hz), 2.14 (dddd, 1H, *J* = 16.4, 14.5, 8.7, 3.6 Hz), 2.08–1.77 (m, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 141.6, 128.8, 126.3, 101.9 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 90.5 (d, *J* = 167.6 Hz), 65.3, 65.1, 40.0 (d, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 37.7 (d, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 31.5 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ -183.15 (dtt, *J* = 48.9, 32.5, 16.4 Hz).

MS (FAB) *m/z* (M<sup>+</sup>+H) calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>18</sub>FO<sub>2</sub>: 225.1291, found: 225.1281.



**6-fluoro-8-phenyloct-1-en-4-ol (Scheme 2e).** A 20 mL vial containing 3-fluoro-5-phenylpentanal (produced from 0.40 mmol (3-fluoropent-4-en-1-yl)benzene) was purged using

an argon-filled balloon. The aldehyde was dissolved in 3.3 mL anhydrous DCM (0.12 M) and the mixture cooled to -78 °C. Allylboronic acid pinacol ester (75  $\mu$ L, 0.4 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was then added via glass syringe. The reaction mixture was then allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred overnight. Water was added to the crude mixture and extracted three times with ether. After drying over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, the solvent was removed by rotary evaporation. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (30% Et<sub>2</sub>O/pentane). <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis displayed ~1:1 dr. Colorless oil (72 mg, 81% yield).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.34–7.26 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.15 (m, 3H), 5.90–5.72 (m, 1H), 5.20–5.08 (m, 2H), 4.96–4.59 (m, 1H), 4.00–3.83 (m, 1H), 2.90–2.77 (m, 1H), 2.76–2.63 (m, 1H), 2.39–2.12 (m, 2H), 2.11–1.46 (m, 5H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  141.7, 141.6, 134.65, 134.61, 128.80, 128.77, 128.76, 128.75, 126.4, 126.3, 118.9, 118.7, 93.3 (d, *J* = 166.3 Hz), 91.1 (d, *J* = 166.3 Hz), 69.1 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 67.1 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz), 42.8, 42.4 (d, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 42.1, 41.9 (d, *J* = 18.9 Hz), 37.7 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 37.5 (d, *J* = 20.2 Hz), 31.7 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 31.5 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  -181.75 (dtt, *J* = 49.0, 32.5, 15.6 Hz), -183.91 – -184.74 (m).

MS (FAB) *m/z* (M<sup>+</sup>+H) calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>FO: 223.1498, found: 223.1491.

## VI. Mechanistic Studies

**General Procedure for Figure 2.** A 1-dram vial equipped with a septum cap and magnetic stir bar was charged with CuCl<sub>2</sub> (0.7 mg, 0.005 mmol, 0.05 equiv), AgNO<sub>2</sub> (0.8 mg, 0.005 mmol, 0.05 equiv), and Pd(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1.9 mg, 0.005 mmol, 0.05 equiv). The atmosphere was then purged using an oxygen-filled balloon for ~30 seconds. *Tert*-butanol (0.88 mL) was then added via syringe, followed by nitromethane (0.18 mL). This mixture was sparged using an oxygen-filled balloon for ~60 seconds. The olefin (0.1 mmol) was injected via glass syringe, the balloon was removed, and the septum cap was greased. The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 hours at room temperature. Upon completion, the solvent was removed via rotary evaporation. The reaction crude was resuspended in dichloromethane and filtered through a glass pipet containing celite, which was washed with dichloromethane. Dichloromethane was removed via rotary evaporation. Nitrobenzene (0.1 mmol, 10.3  $\mu$ L) was added as a standard, and <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis of the crude product was performed to determine yield and selectivity.

	Selectivity (%)		Oxidation Yield (%)	
	run 1	run 2	run 1	run 2
n=0	95	96	55	49
n=1	79	80	68	59
n=2	64	69	53	59
1-decene	54	61	54	51

**General Procedure for Figure 3a: Individual rate comparison.** A 4 mL vial with a stir bar was charged with CuCl<sub>2</sub> (2.7 mg, 0.020 mmol), AgNO<sub>2</sub> (3.1 mg, 0.020 mmol), and Pd(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (7.7 mg, 0.020 mmol). The vial was capped with a septum cap and purged with O<sub>2</sub> using an oxygen-filled balloon. Next, *tert*-BuOH (1.32 mL, anhydrous) and nitromethane (0.36 mL, anhydrous) were added via syringe, and the reaction mixture was stirred. In a separate vial, a solution of olefin (0.20 mmol) and diphenylmethane (16.7  $\mu$ L, 0.10 mmol; internal standard) in *t*-

BuOH (0.44 mL) was prepared. The olefin solution was added to the catalyst mixture via syringe, and an aliquot (0.3 mL) was immediately collected for a time = 0 data point. The aliquot was quenched with a solution of pyridine (6.0  $\mu$ L) in DCM (0.2 mL). After quenching, the aliquot was concentrated, diluted with hexanes, and filtered through a plug of celite with hexanes. The filtrate was concentrated and analyzed by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR. Aliquots were taken at time = 5, 10, 15, and 20 minutes following the same quenching procedure, and conversions were determined by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR relative to the time = 0 data point.

#### Tetradecene

Time (min)	Conversion (%)			
	run 1	run 2	run 3	Average
0	0	0	0	0
5	7.7	6.7	8	7.5
10	12.1	11.9	11.6	11.9
15	17.2	13.7	15.7	15.5
20	19.9	16.9	19.6	18.8

#### Allylic Fluoride

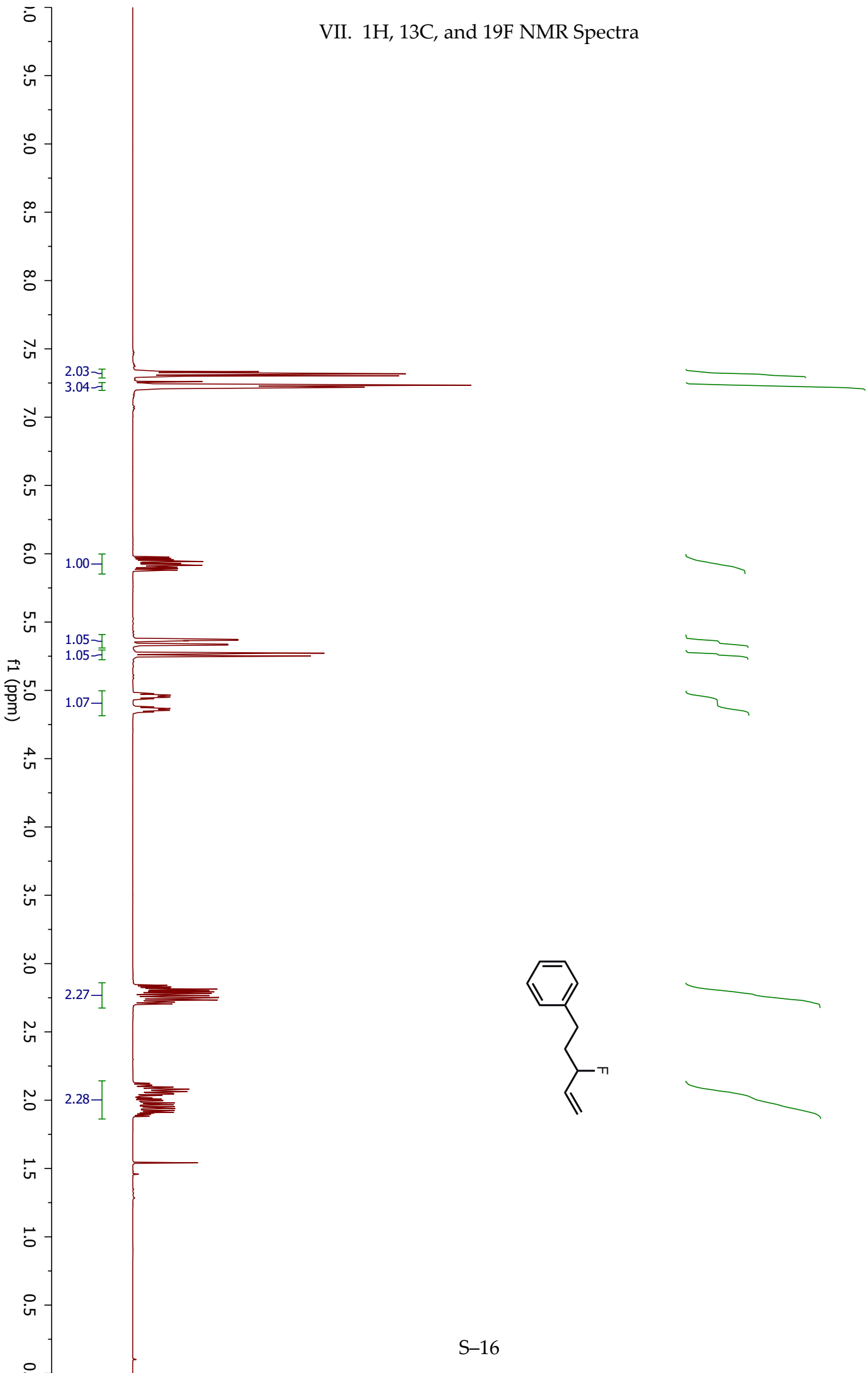
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20	36.9	40.5	38.7

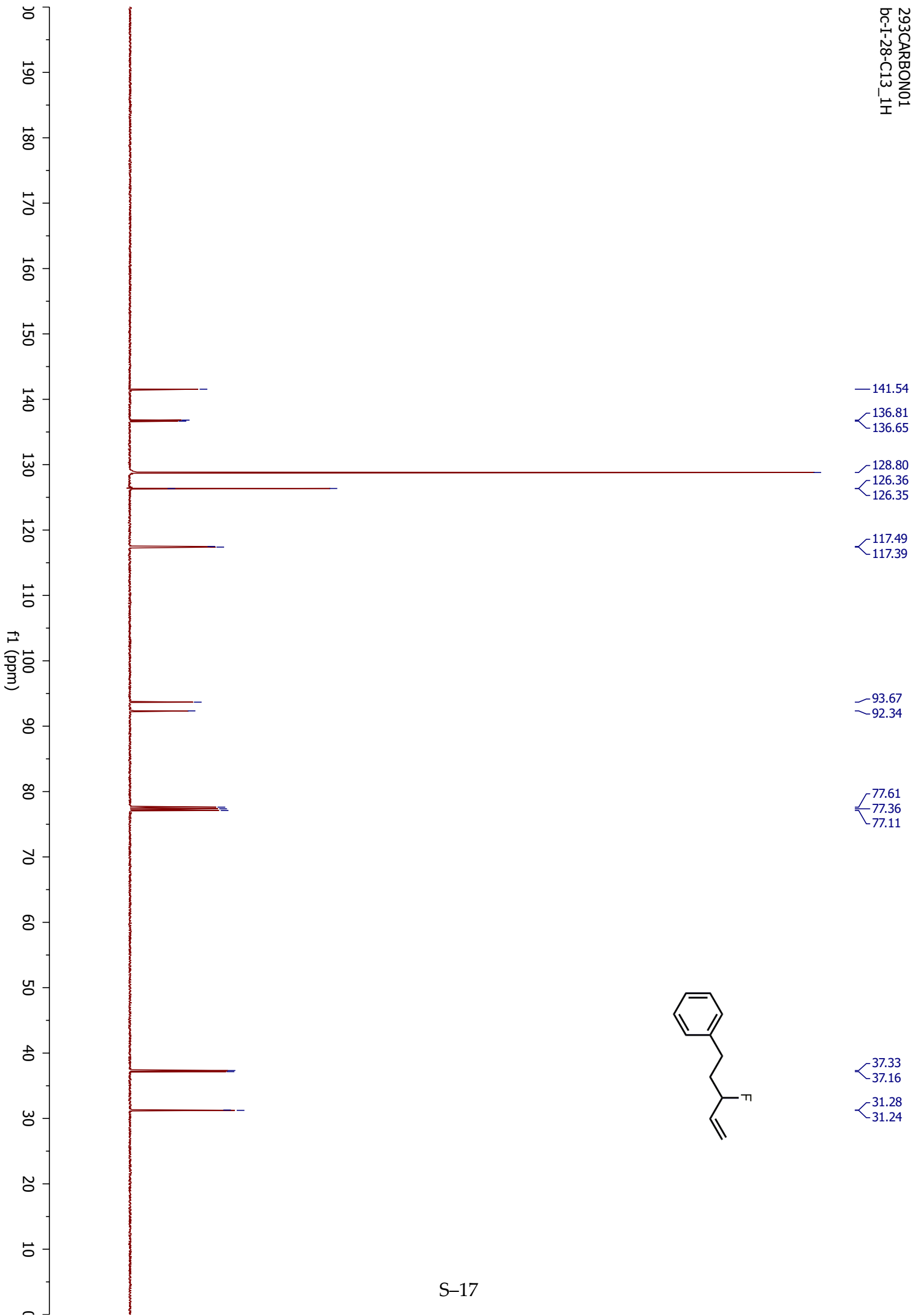
**General Procedure for Figure 3b: Competition experiment.** A 4 mL vial with a stir bar was charged with  $\text{CuCl}_2$  (2.7 mg, 0.020 mmol),  $\text{AgNO}_2$  (3.1 mg, 0.020 mmol), and  $\text{Pd}(\text{PhCN})_2\text{Cl}_2$  (7.7 mg, 0.020 mmol). The vial was capped with a septum cap and purged with  $\text{O}_2$  using an oxygen-filled balloon. Next, *tert*-BuOH (1.32 mL, anhydrous) and nitromethane (0.36 mL, anhydrous) were added via syringe, and the reaction mixture was stirred. In a separate vial, a solution of tetradecene (19.6 mg, 0.10 mmol), 3-fluorotetradec-1-ene (21.4 mg, 0.10 mmol), and diphenylmethane (16.7  $\mu$ L, 0.10 mmol; internal standard) in *t*-BuOH (0.44 mL) was prepared. The olefin solution was added to the catalyst mixture via syringe, and an aliquot (0.3 mL) was immediately collected for a time = 0 data point. The aliquot was quenched with a solution of pyridine (6.0  $\mu$ L) in DCM (0.2 mL). After quenching, the aliquot was concentrated, diluted with hexanes, and filtered through a plug of celite with hexanes. The filtrate was concentrated and analyzed by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR. A second aliquot was collected at time = 10 minutes following the same quenching procedure, and the conversion of each olefin was determined by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR relative to the time = 0 data point.

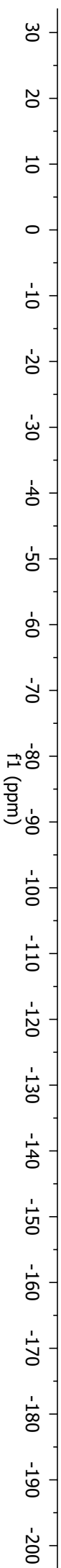
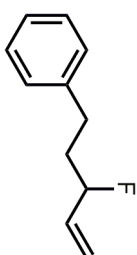
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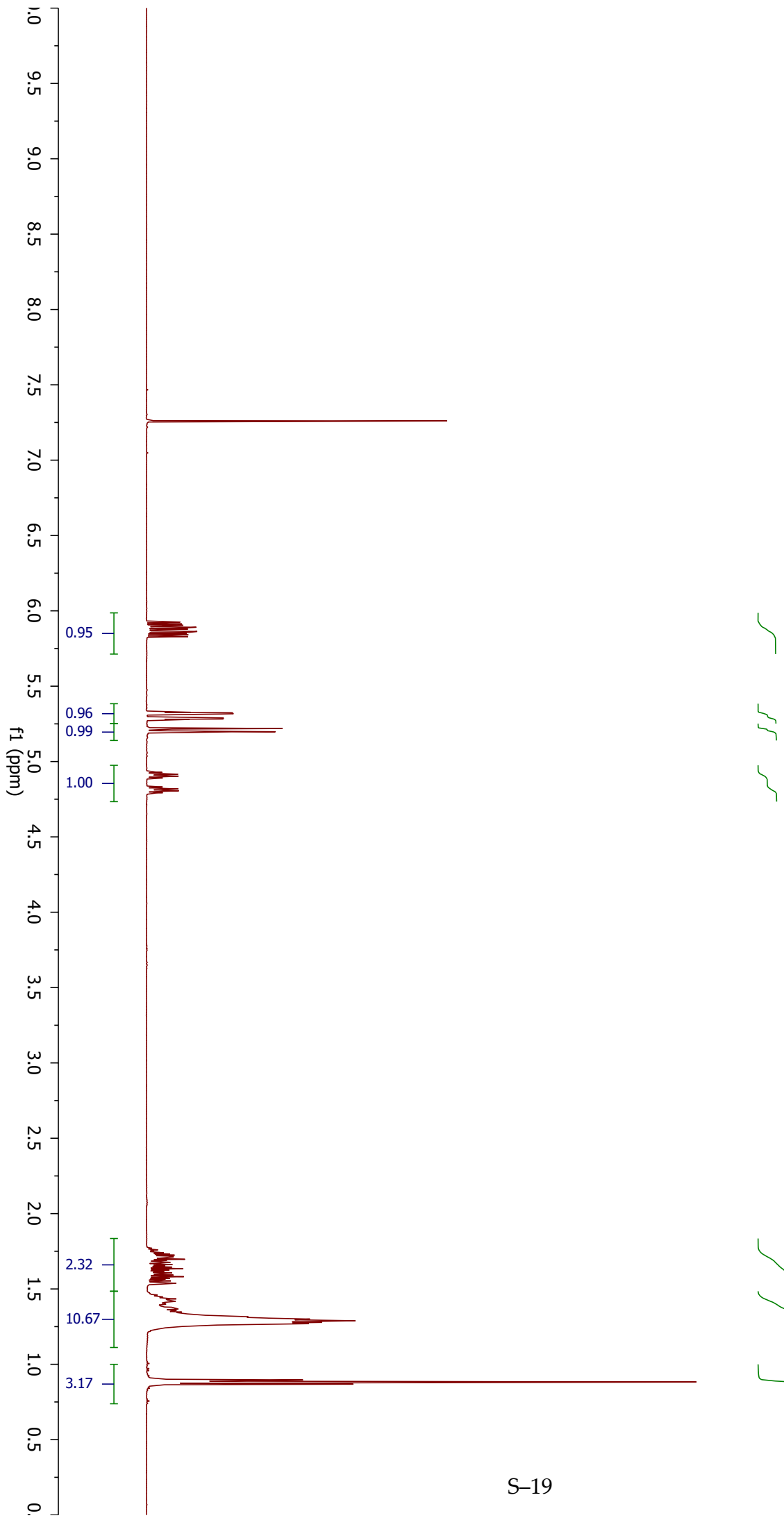
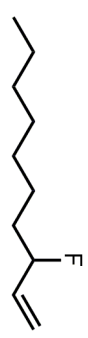


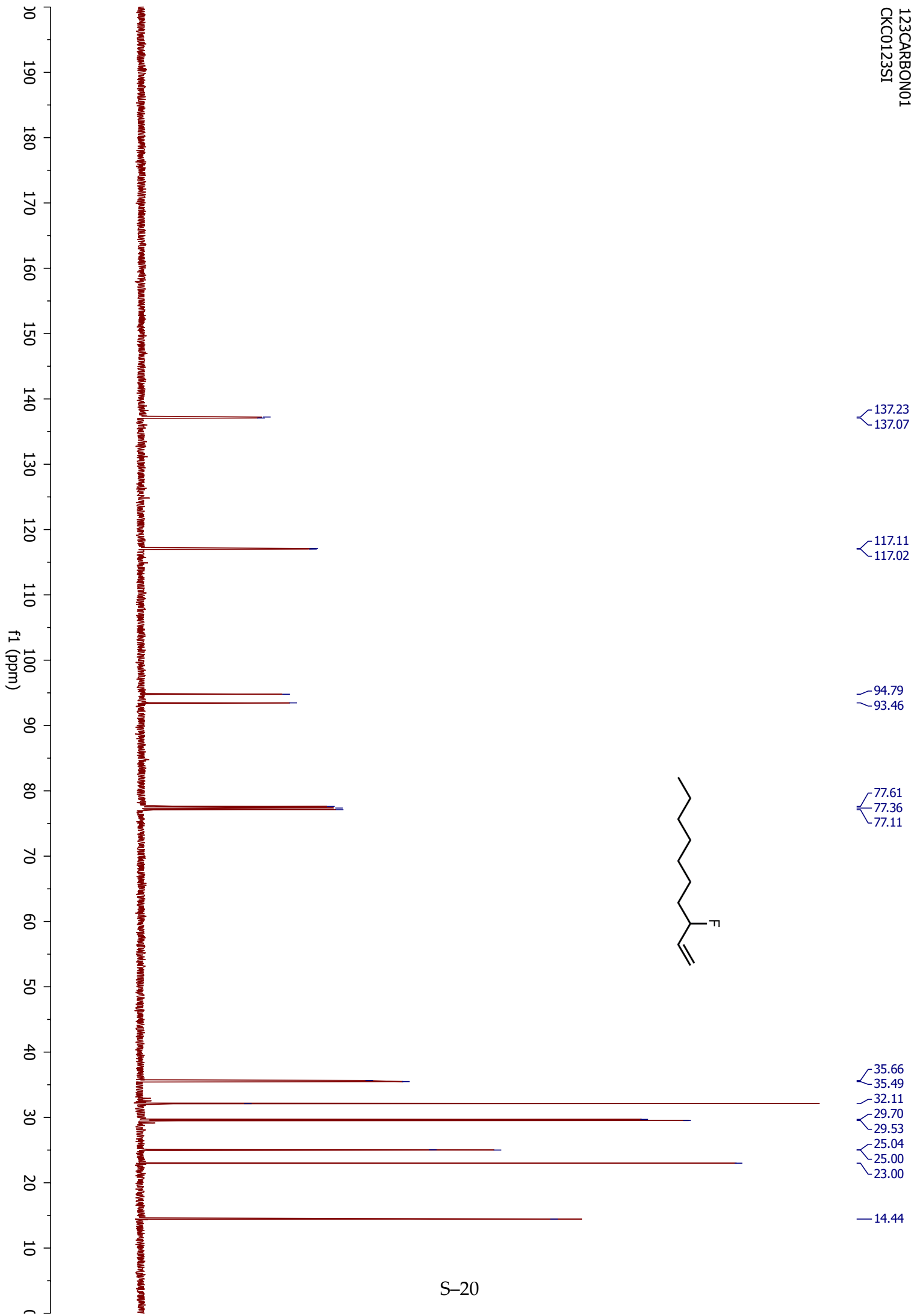
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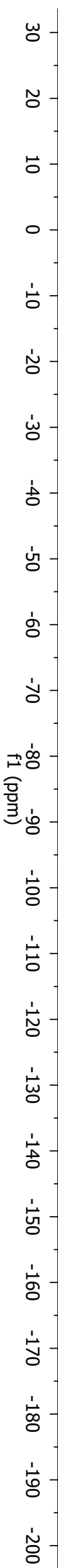


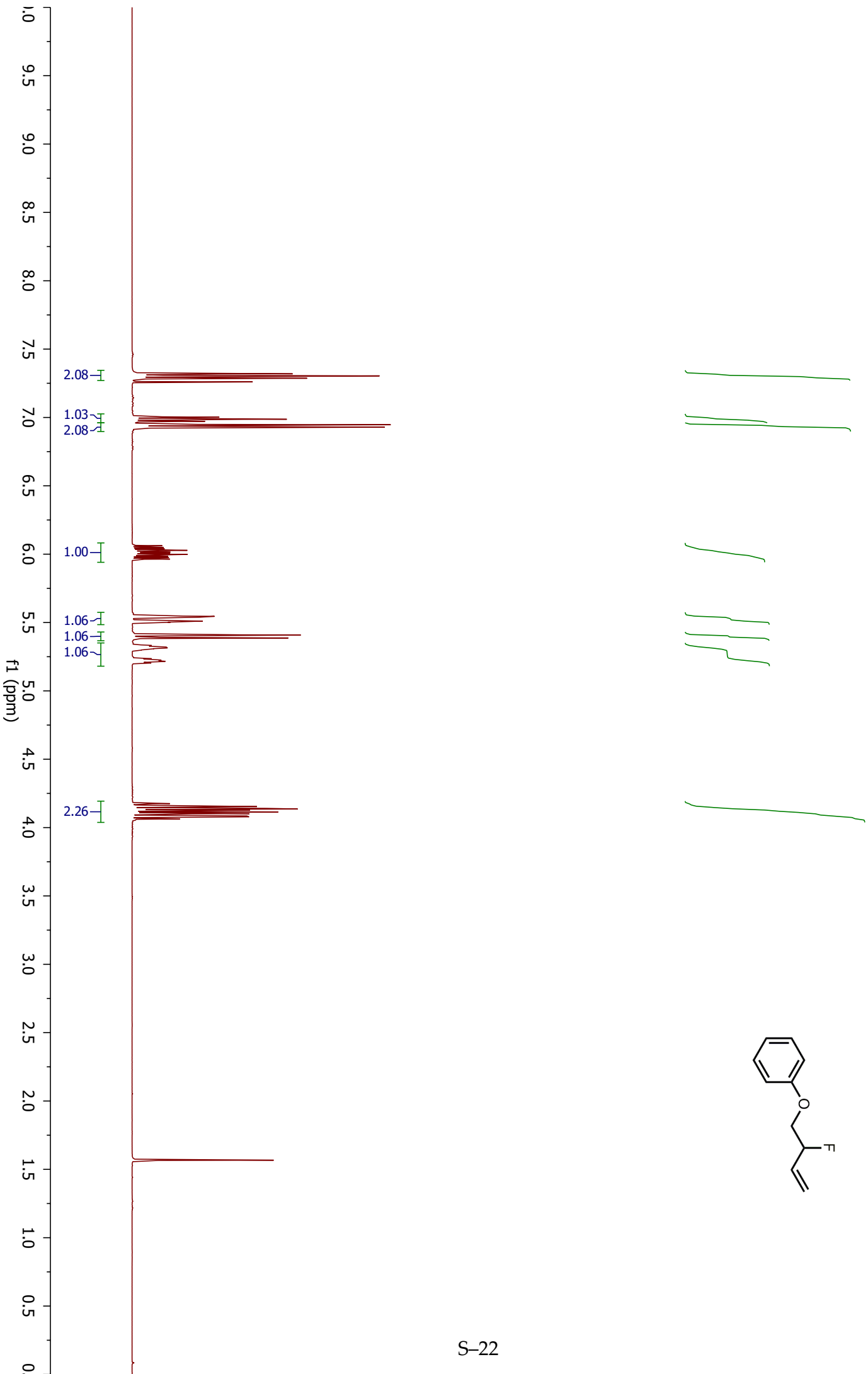
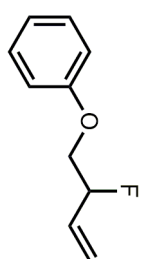


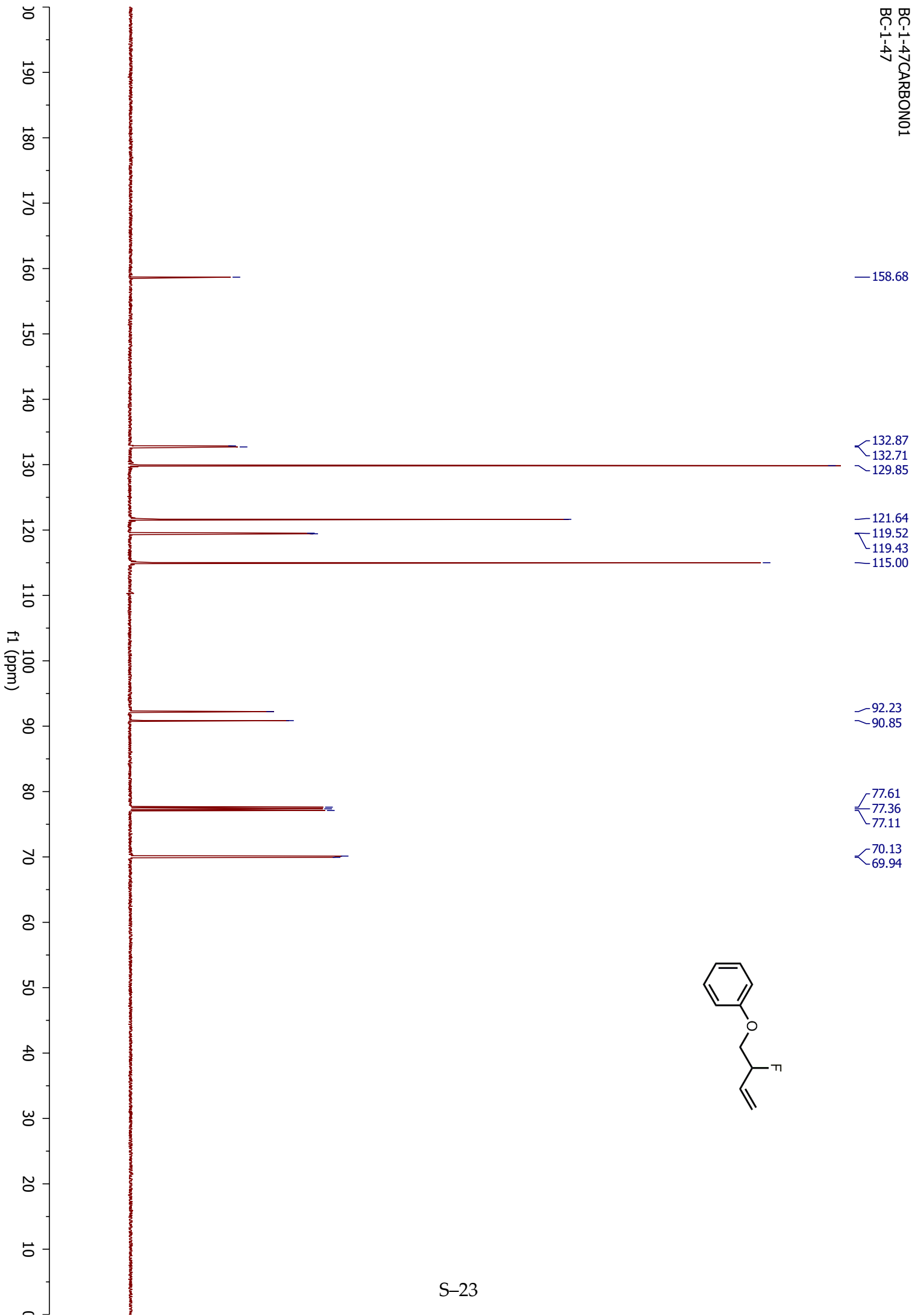




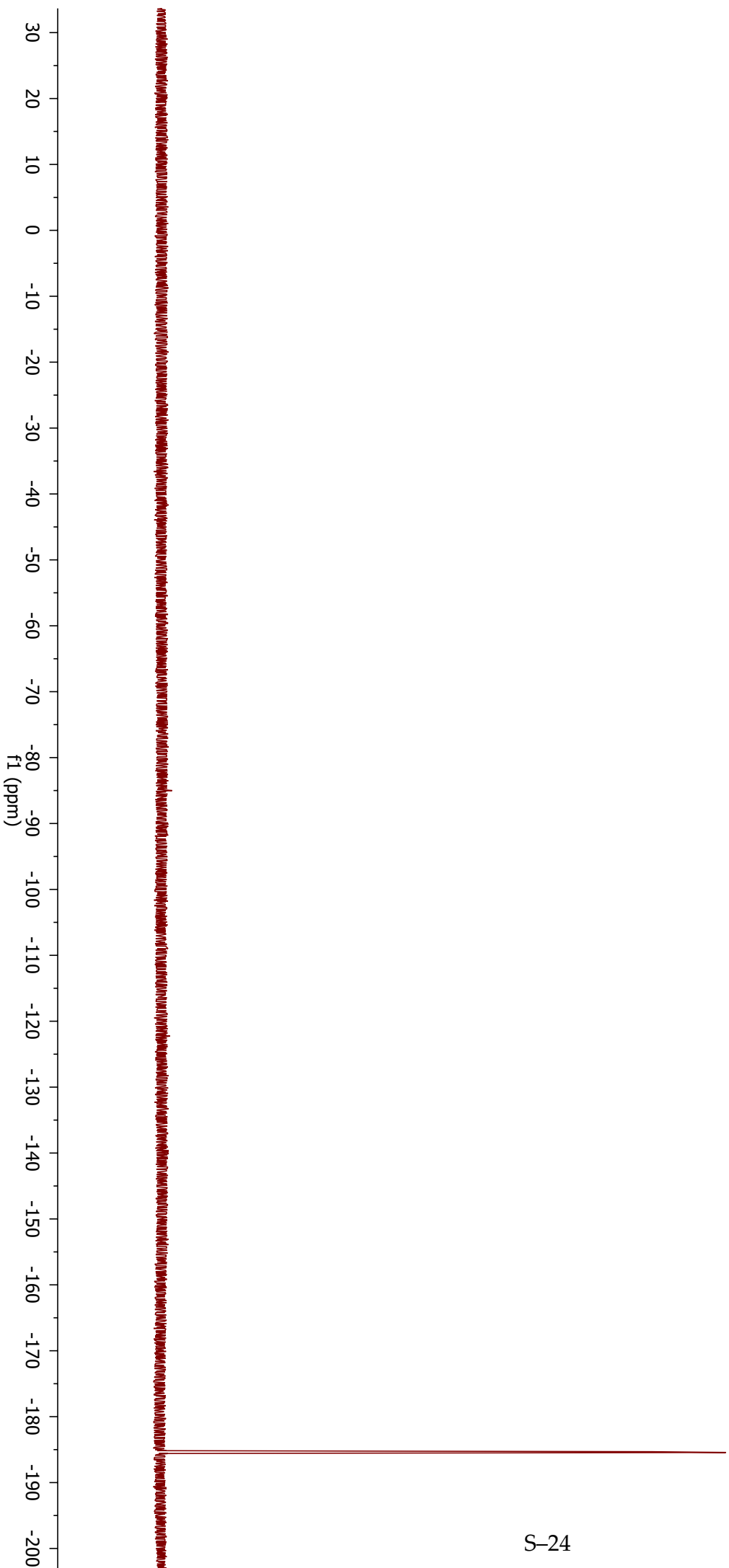
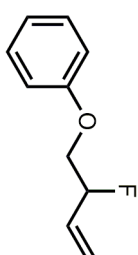


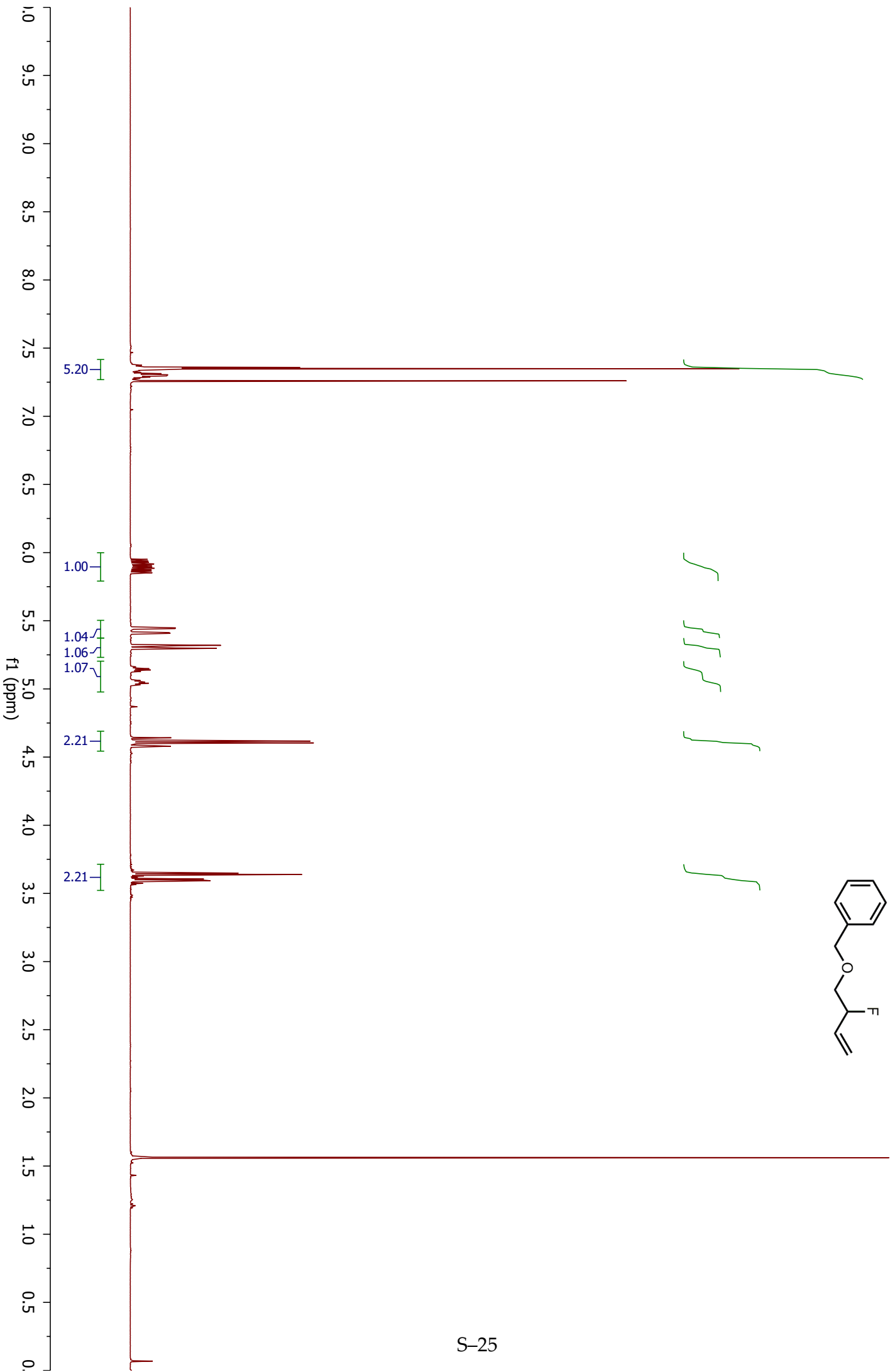
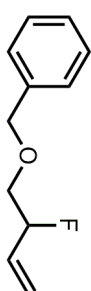


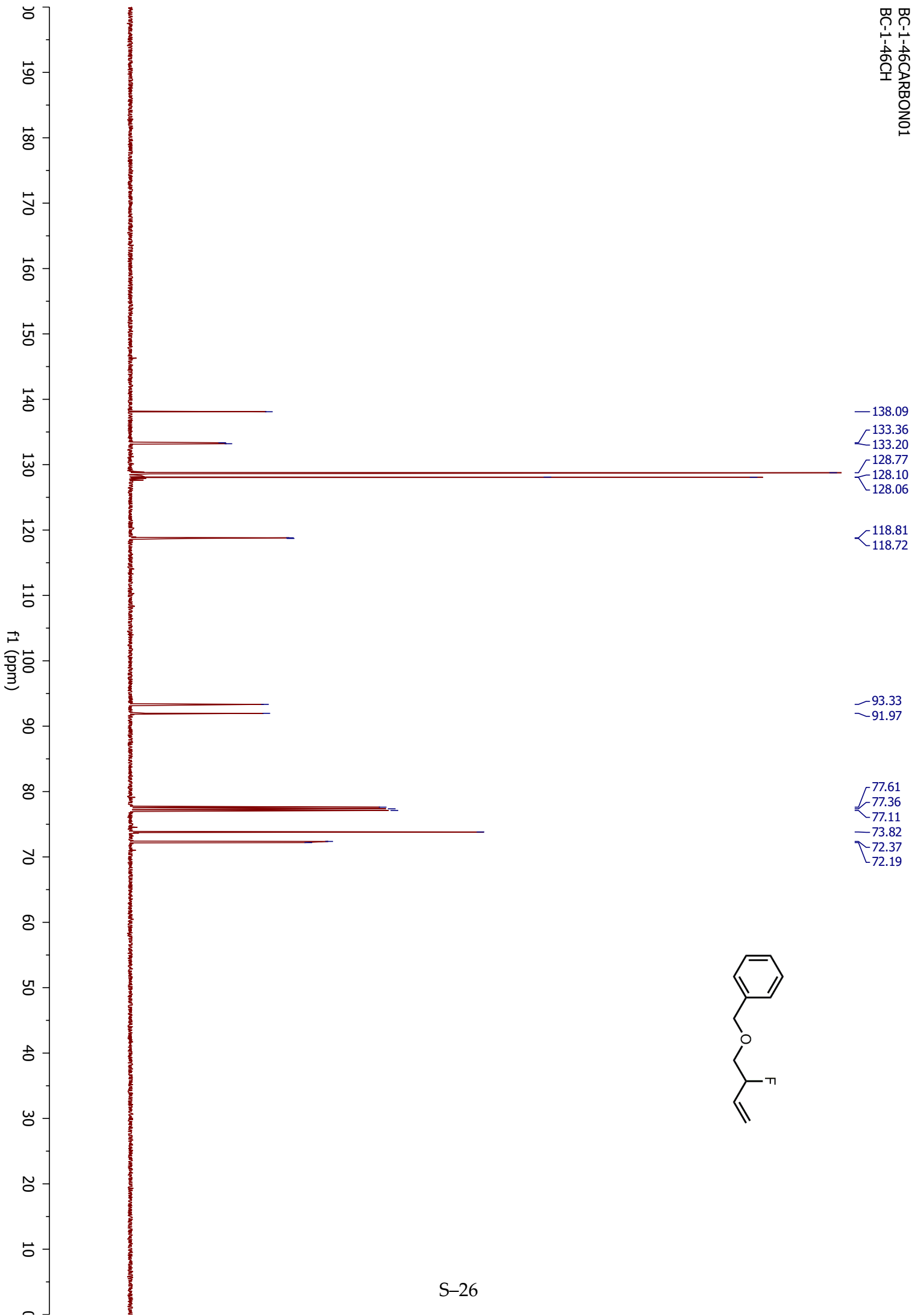


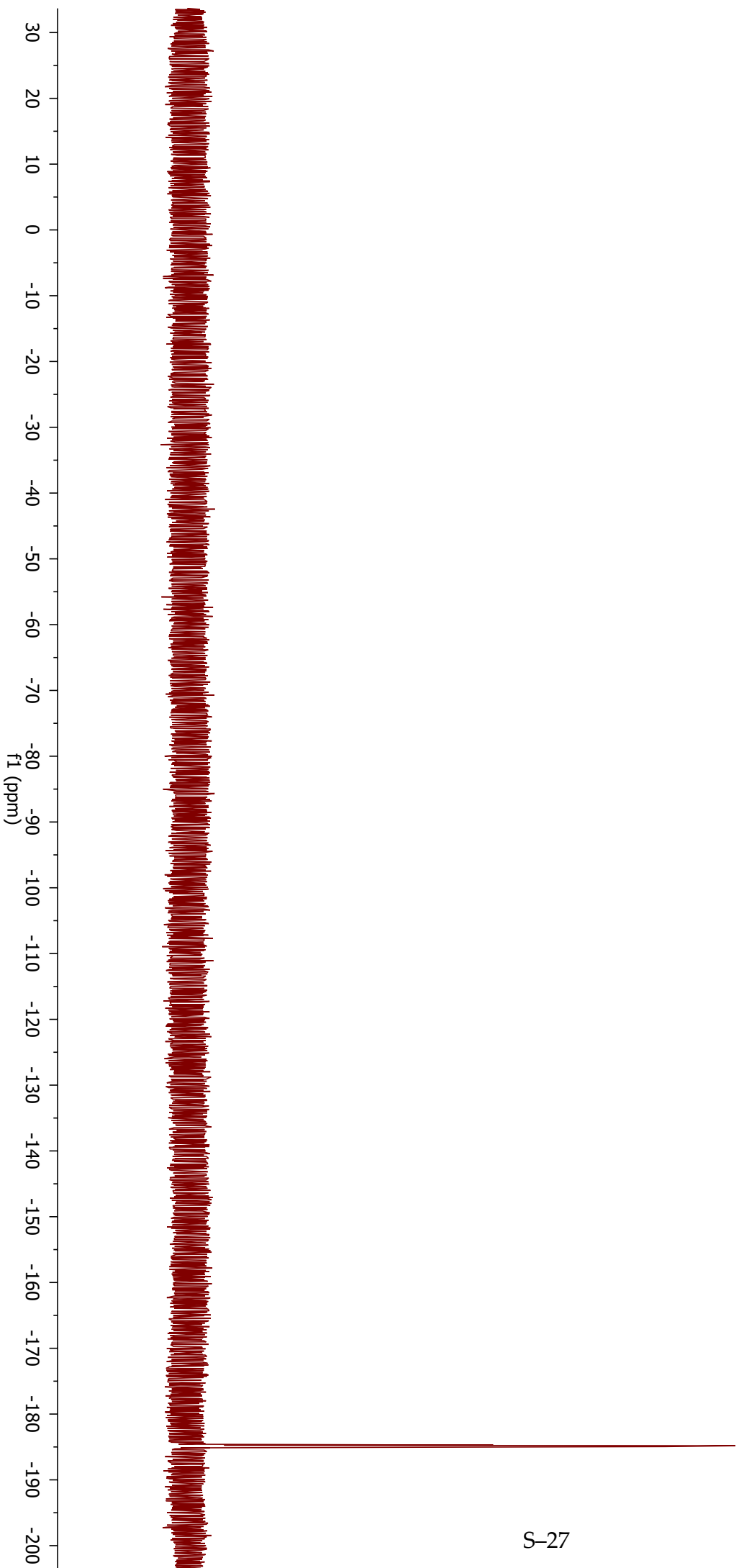
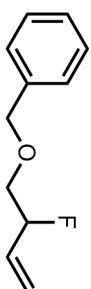


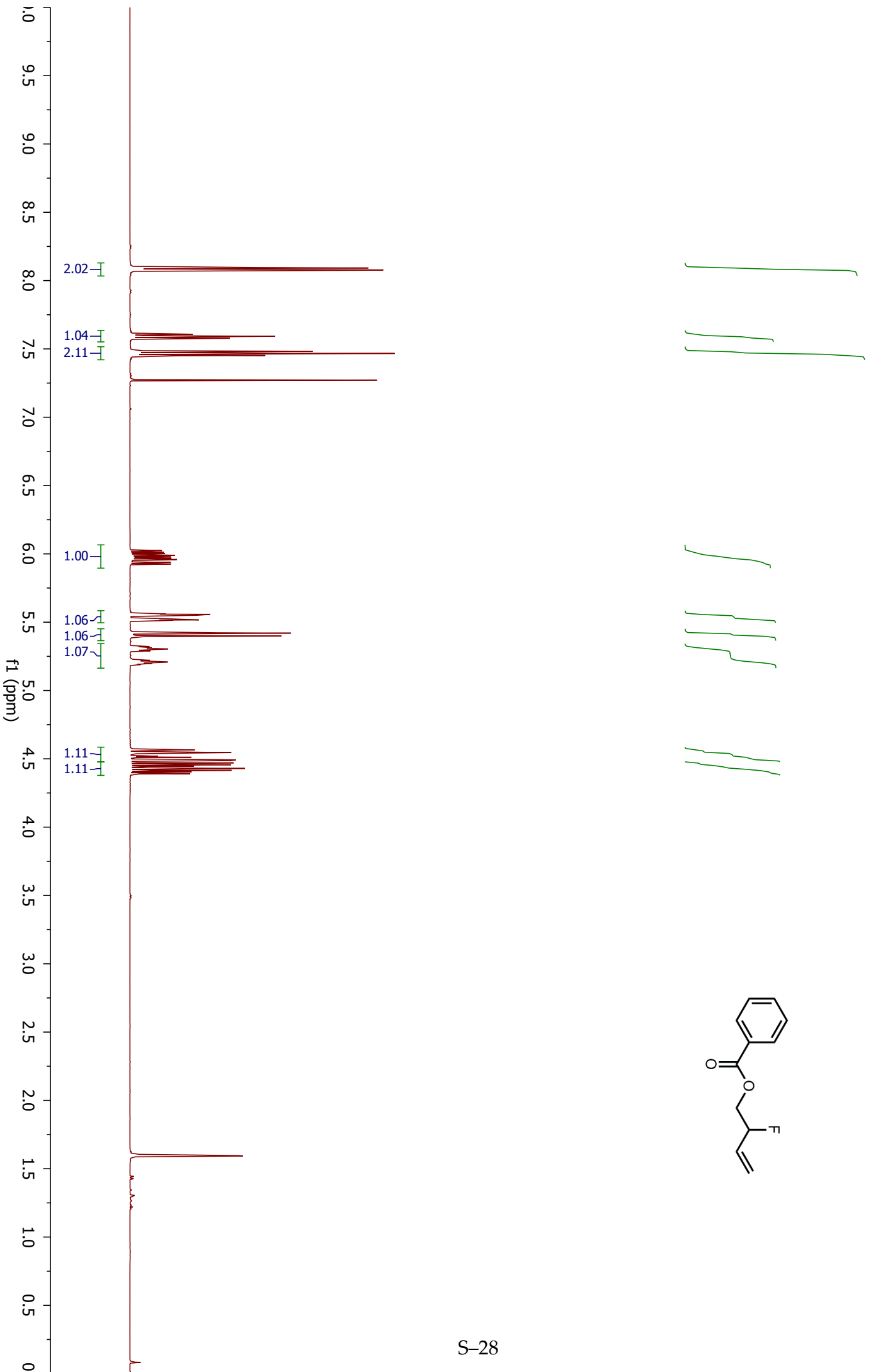
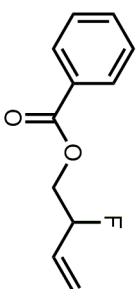


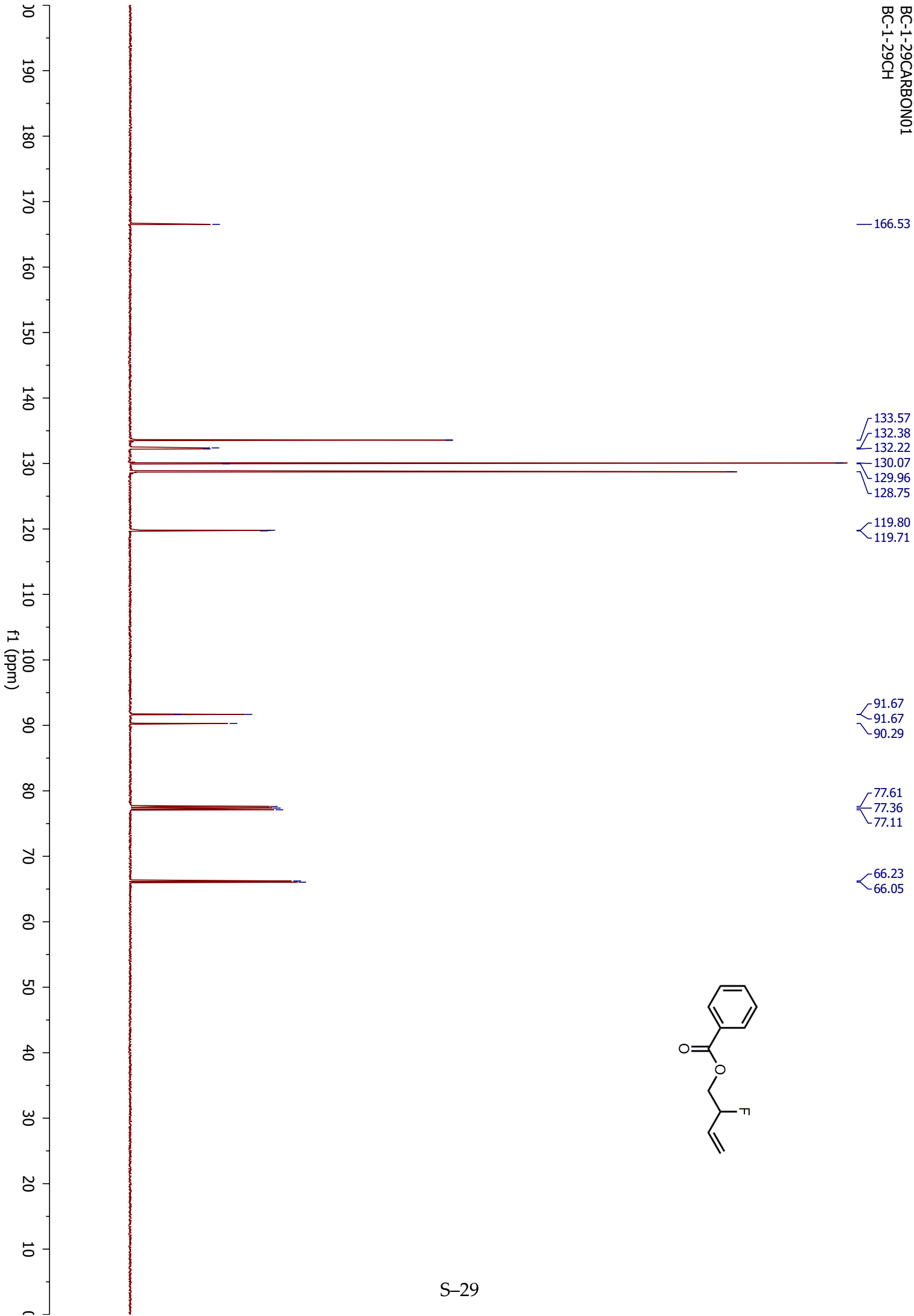


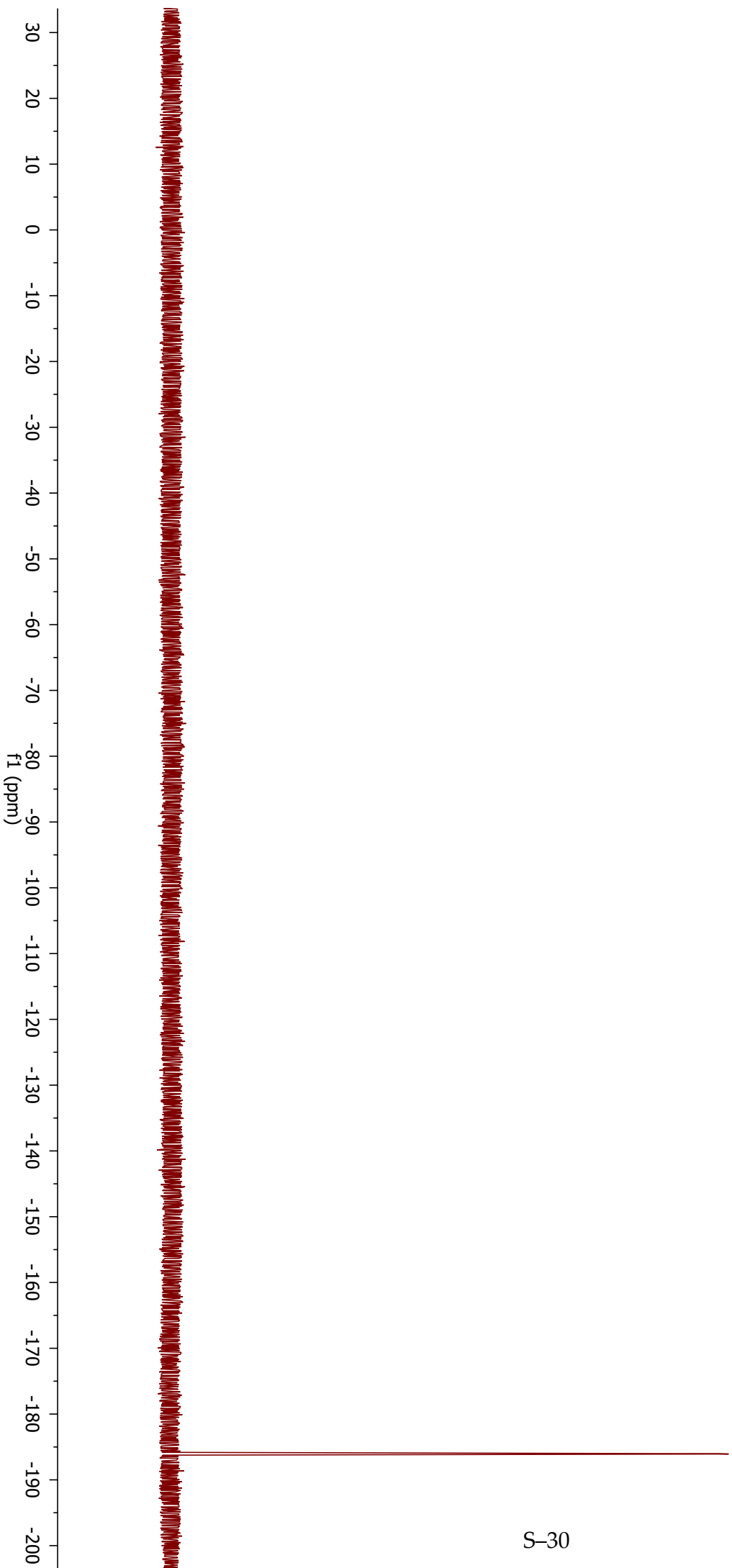
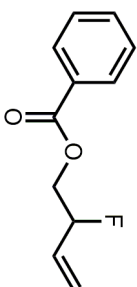


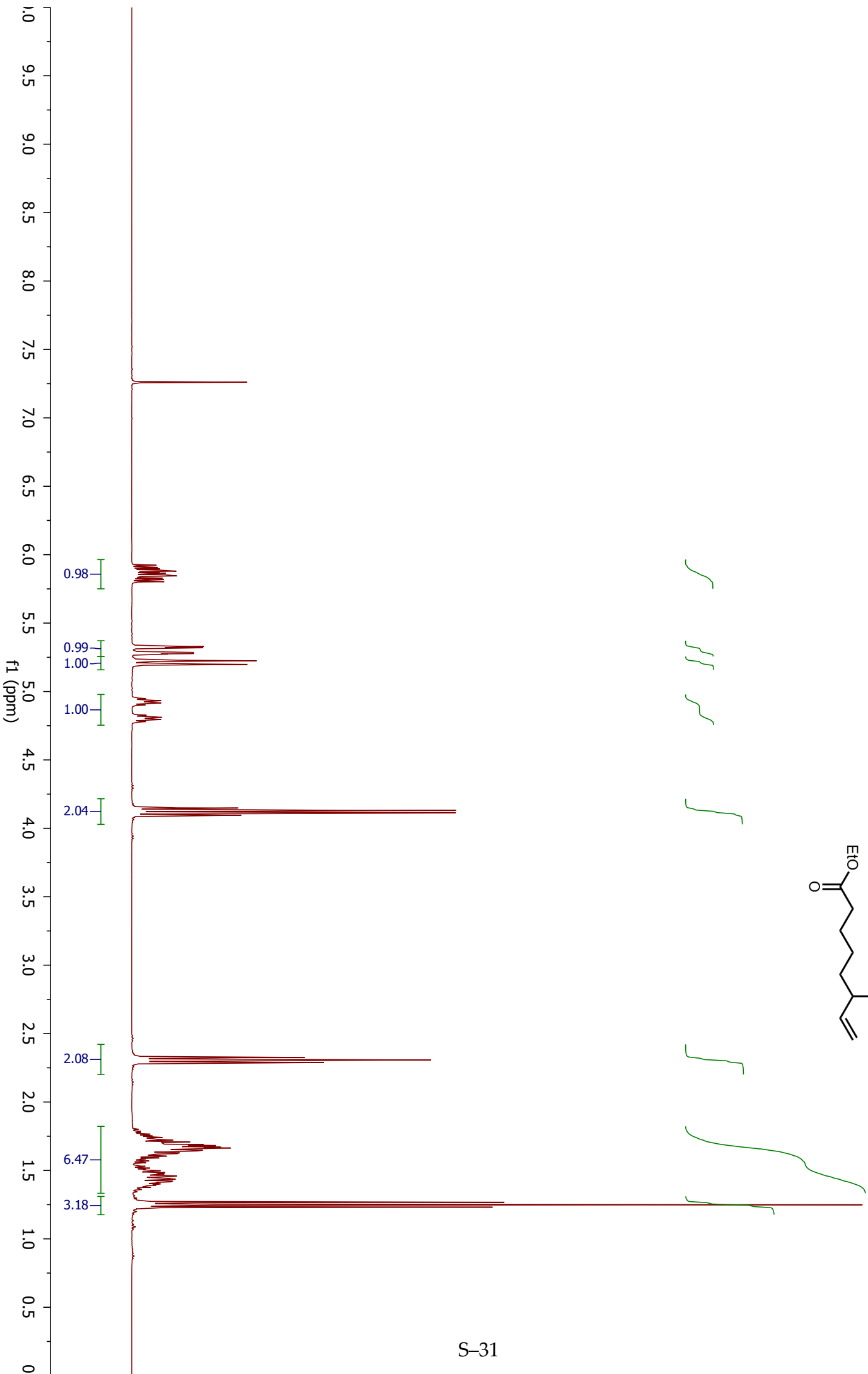
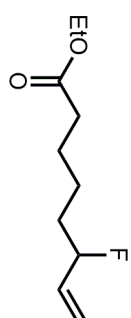




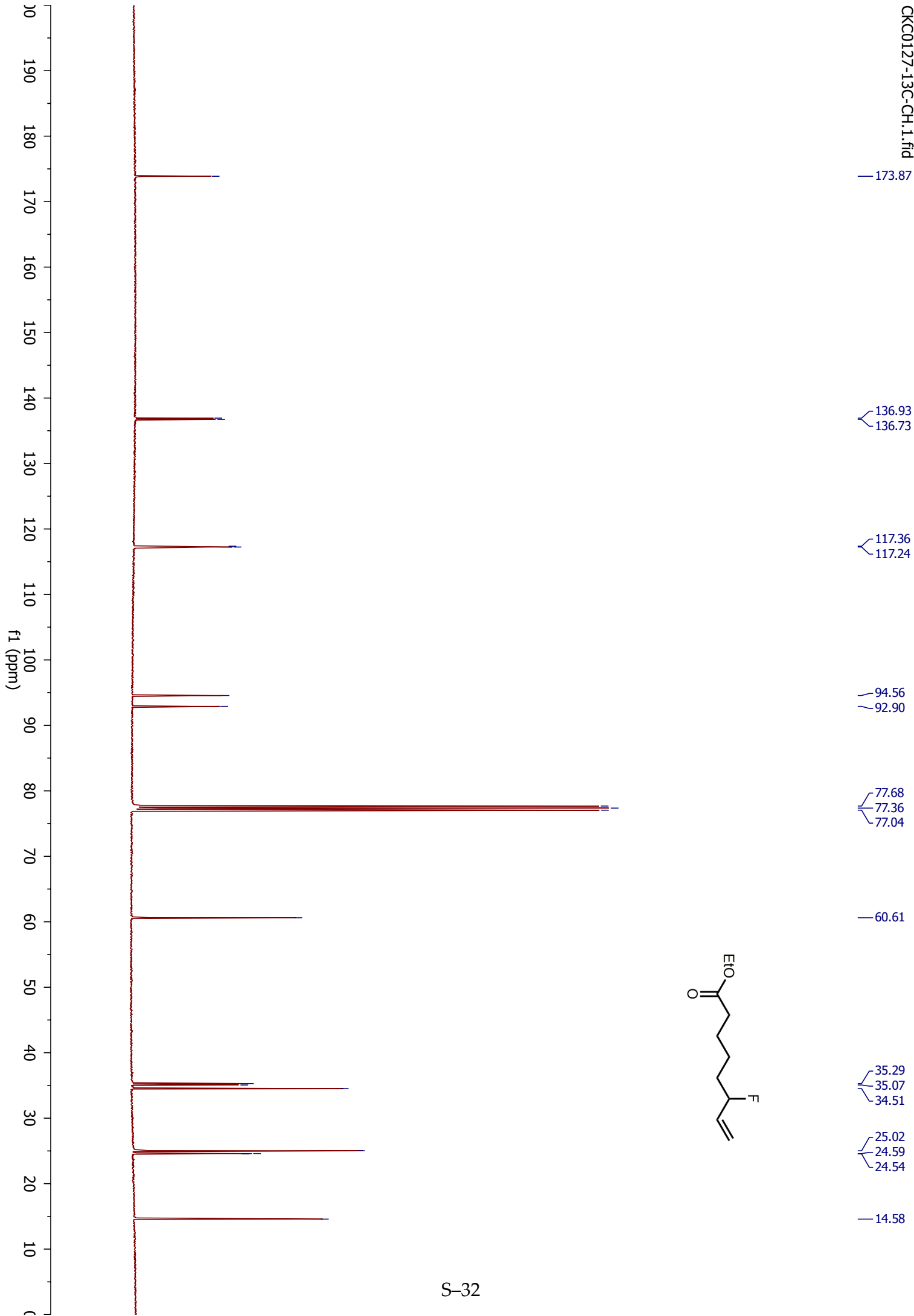


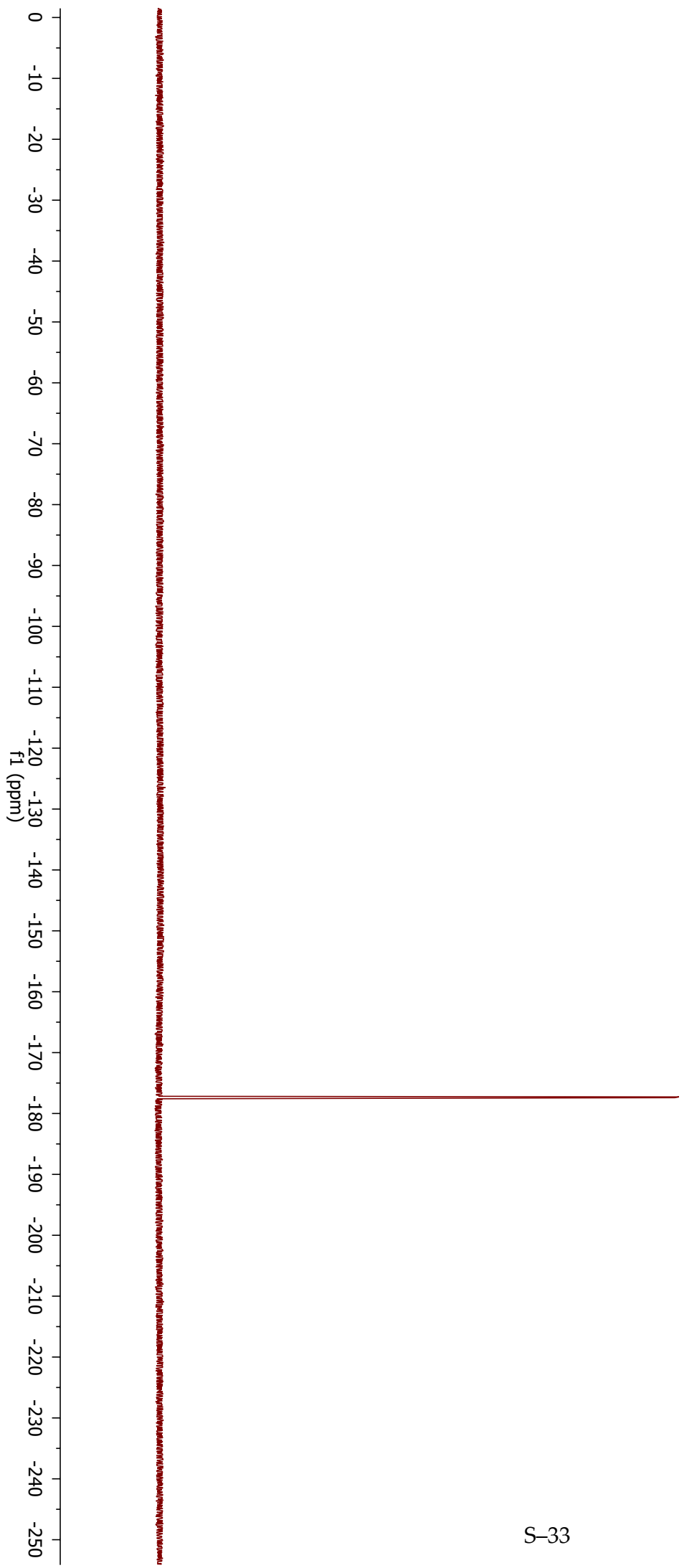
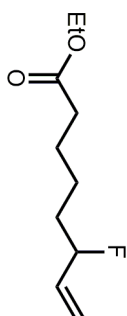


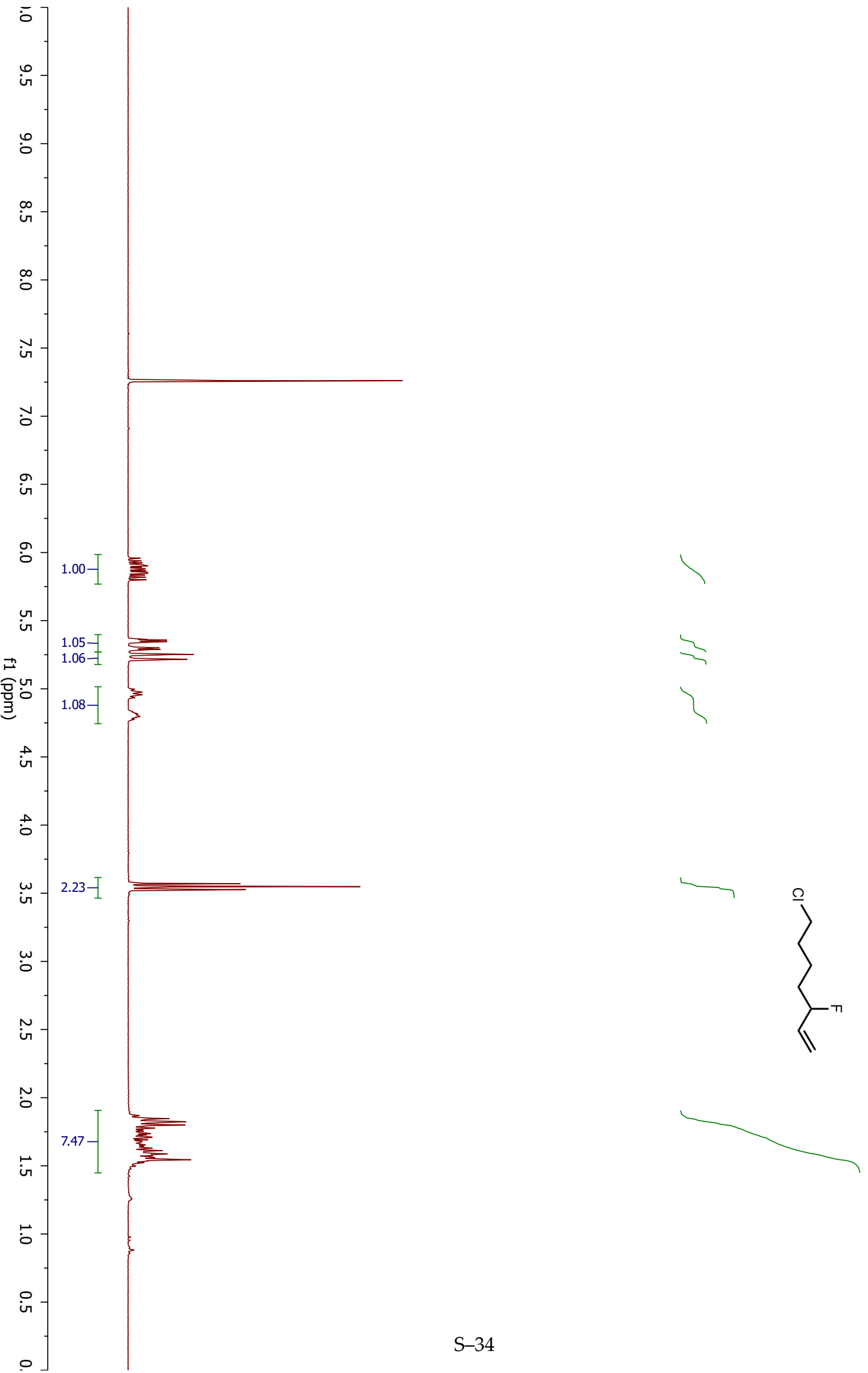
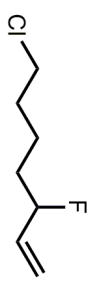


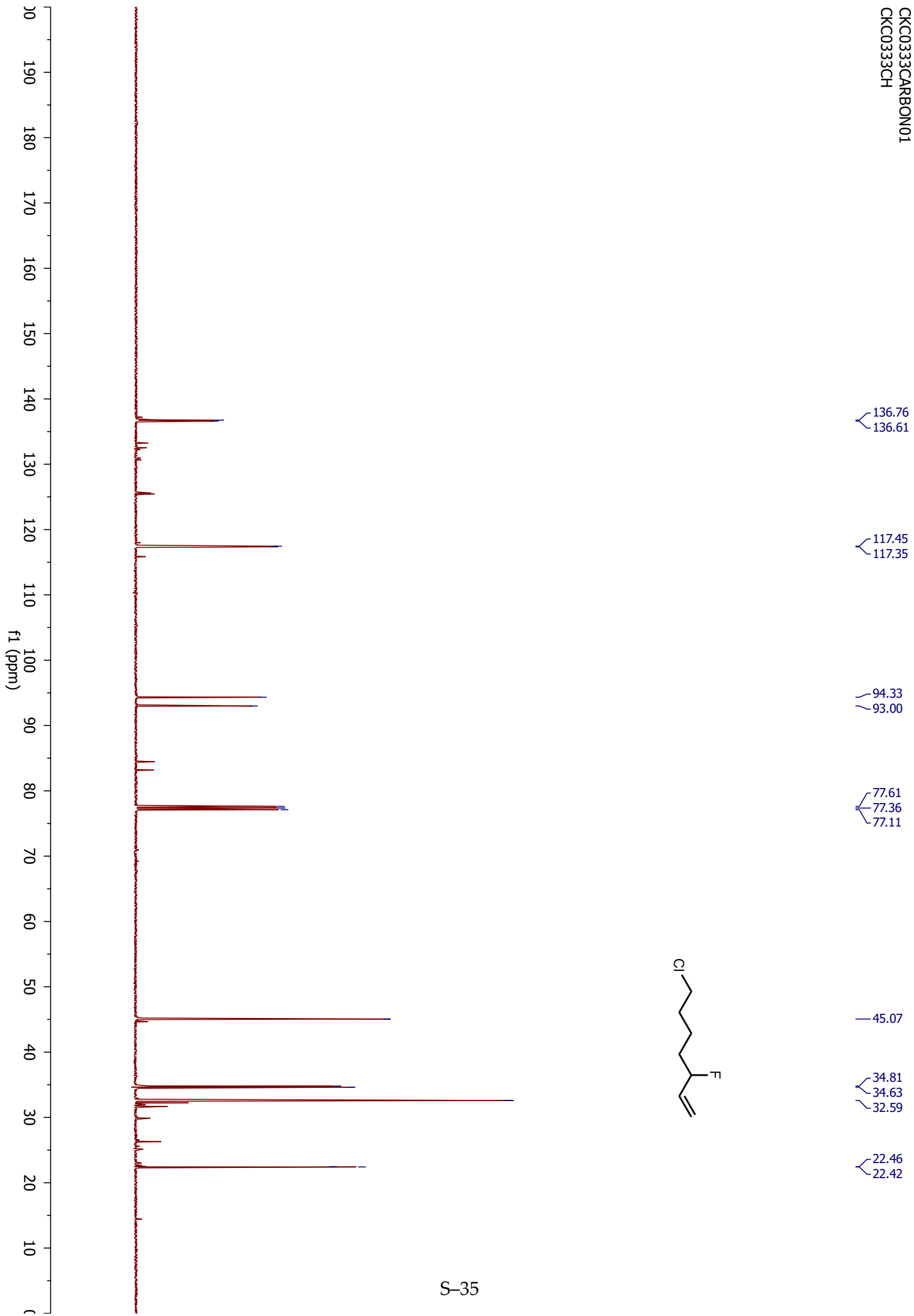


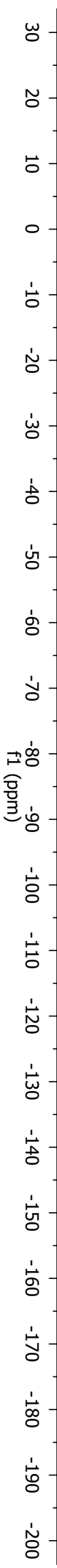


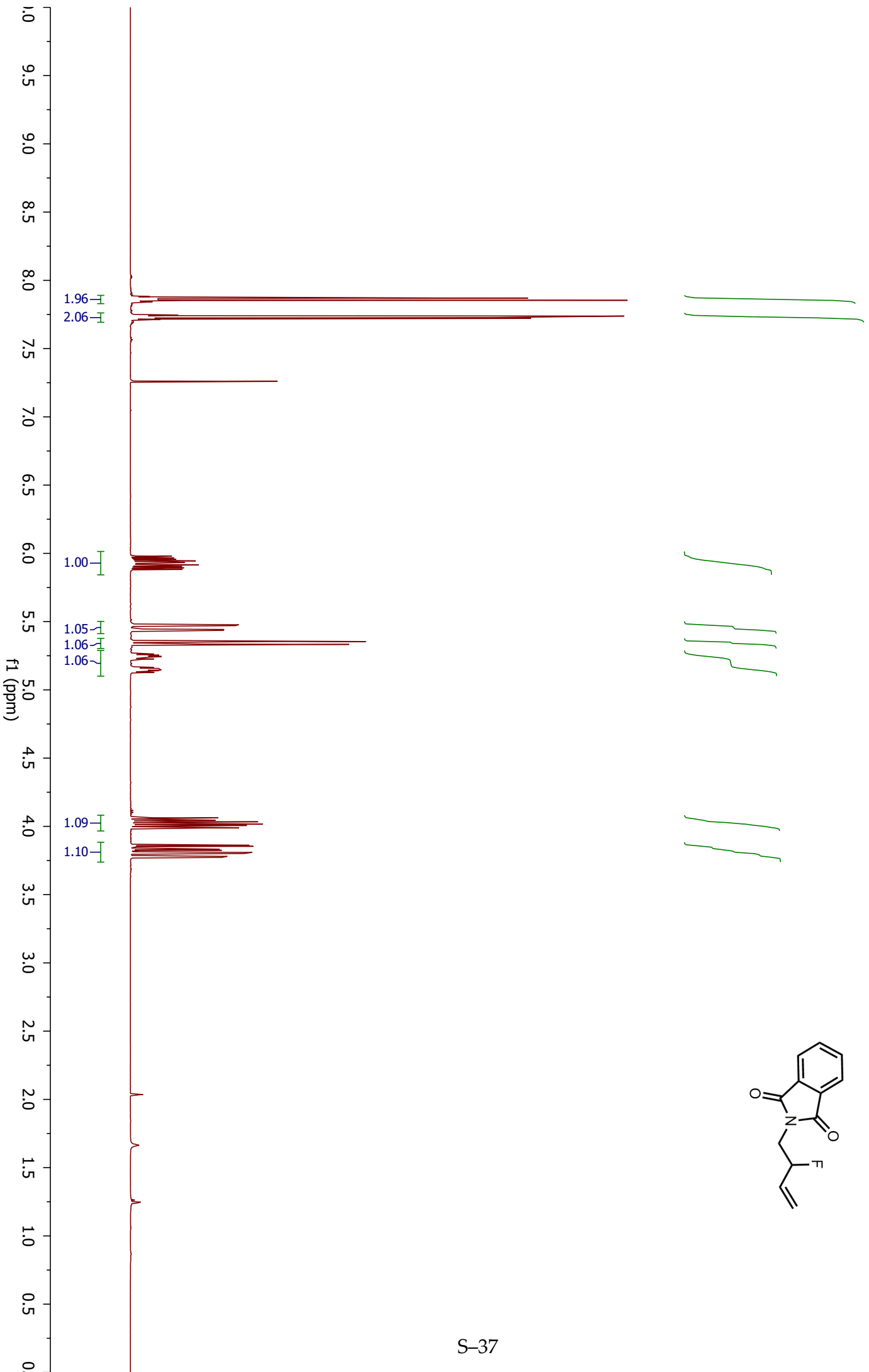
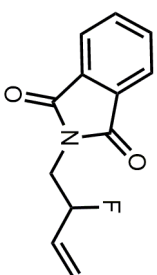


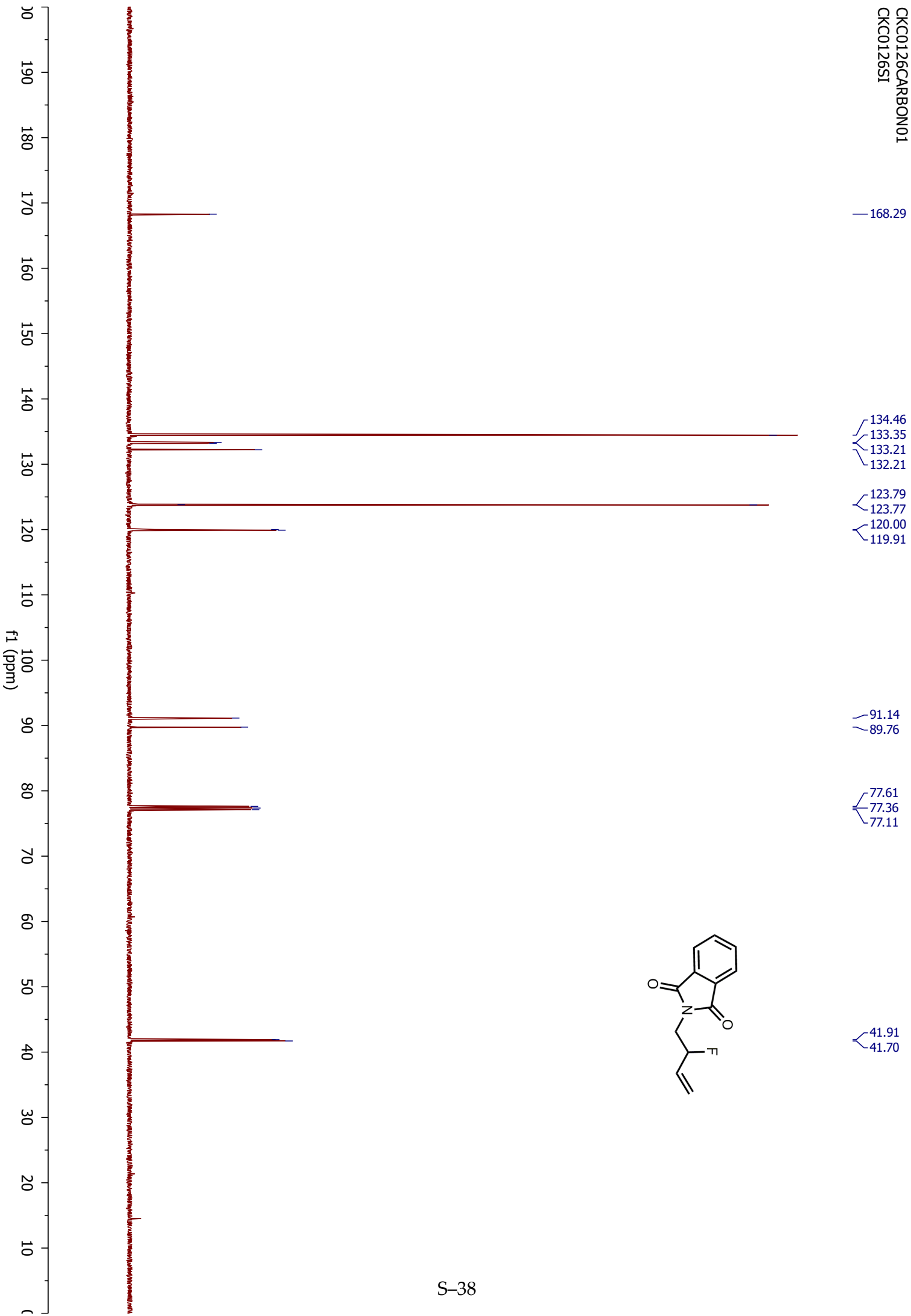


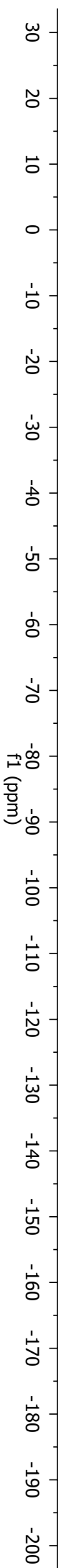
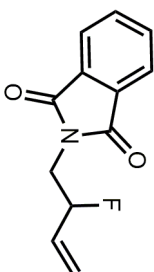




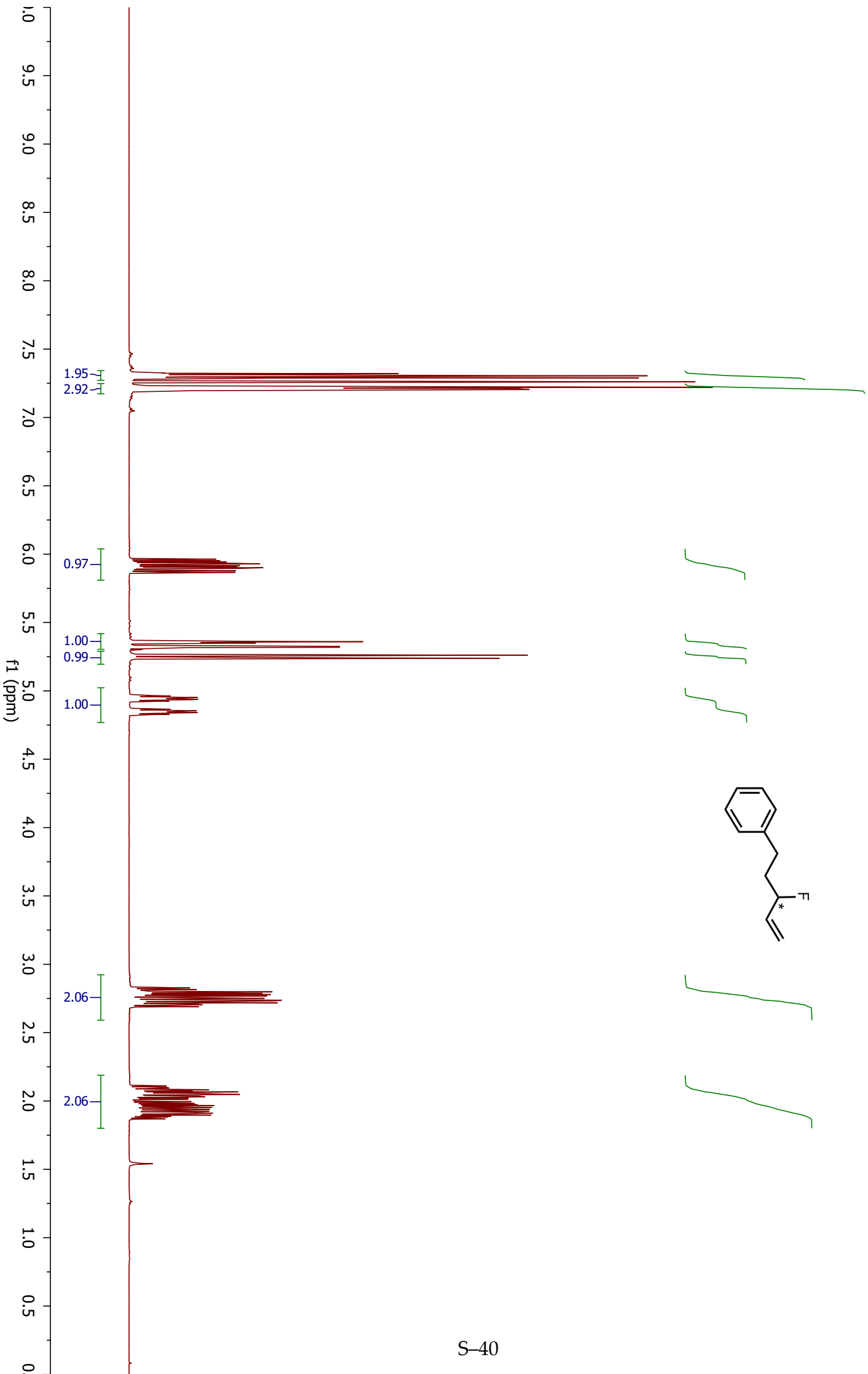




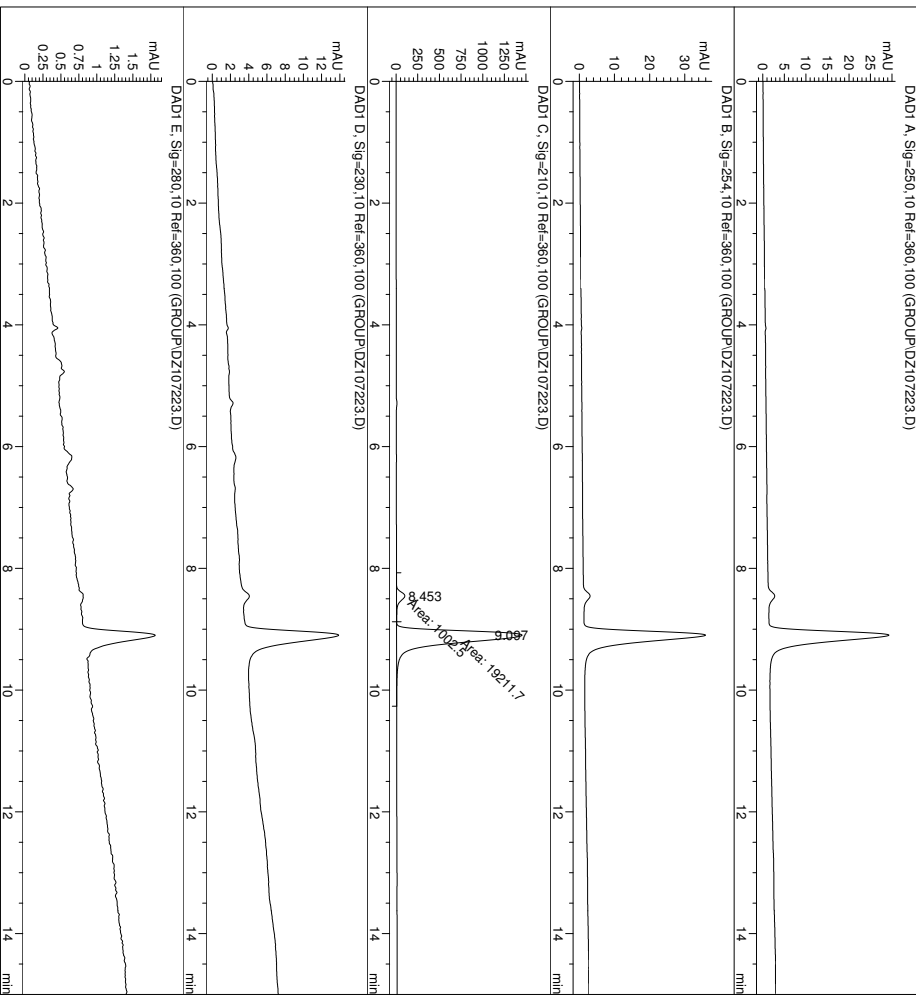








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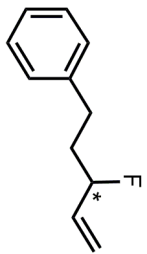


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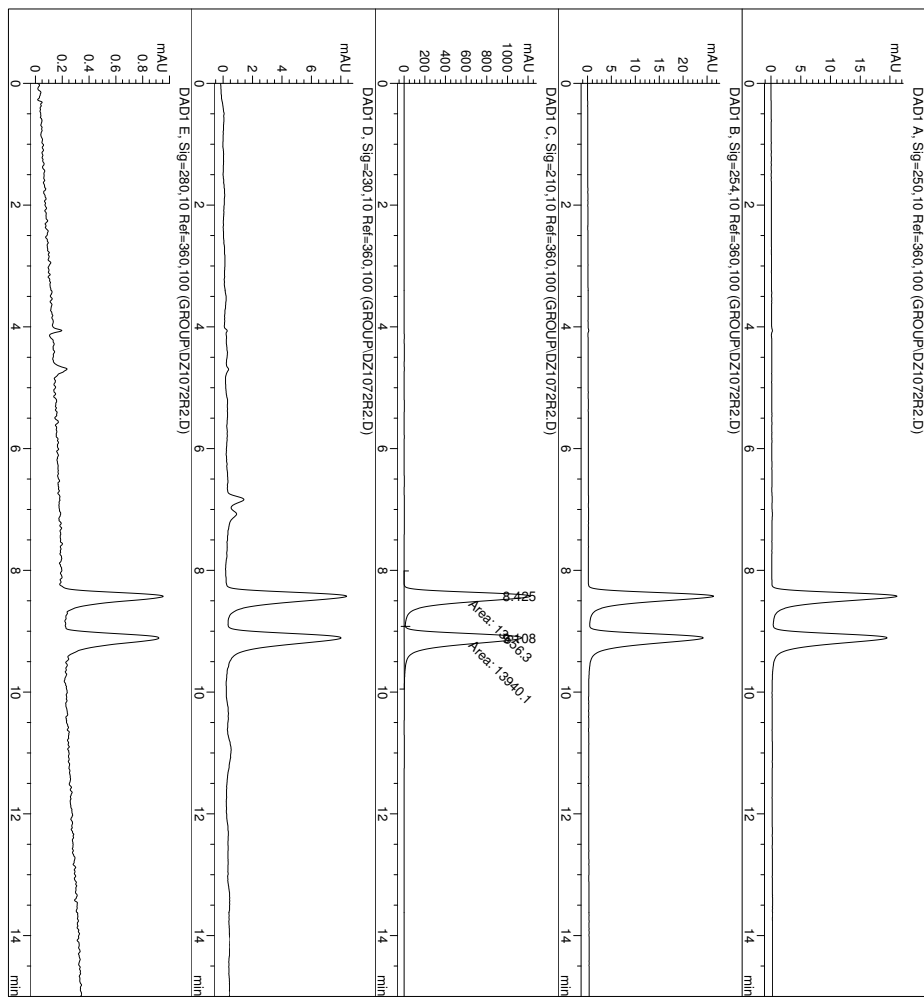
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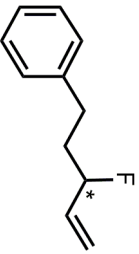
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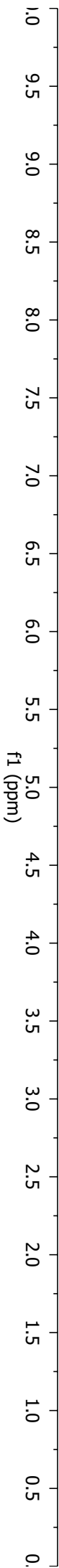
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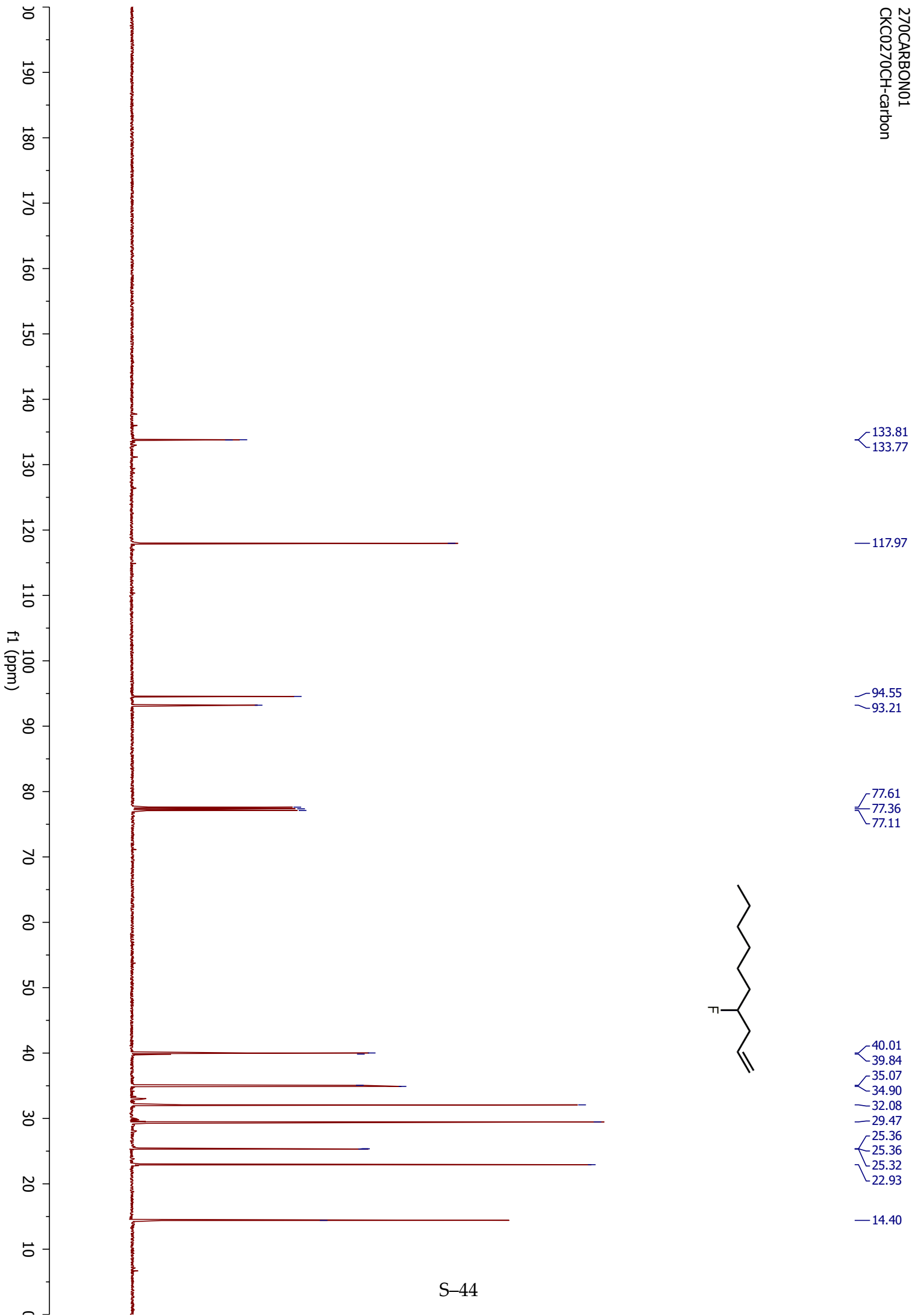
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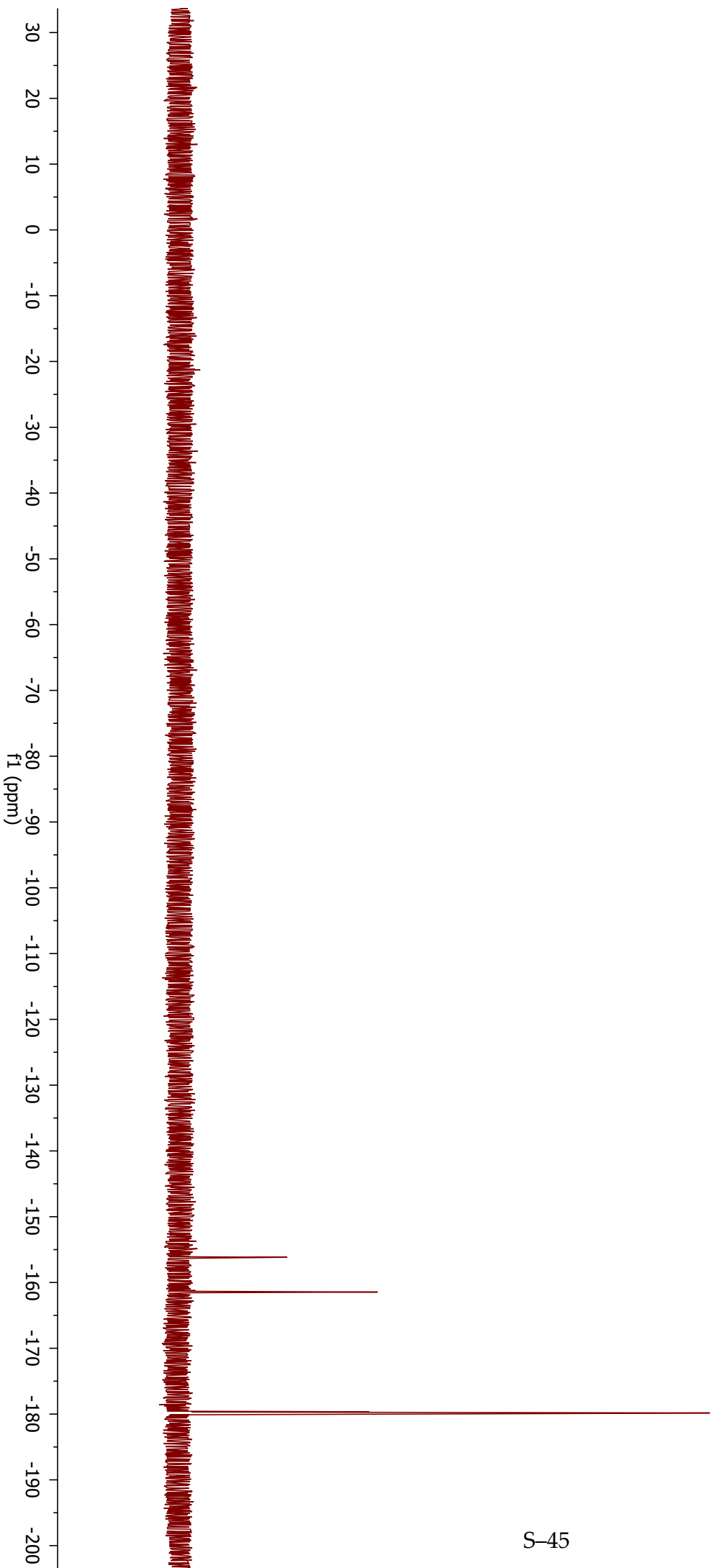
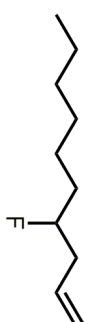
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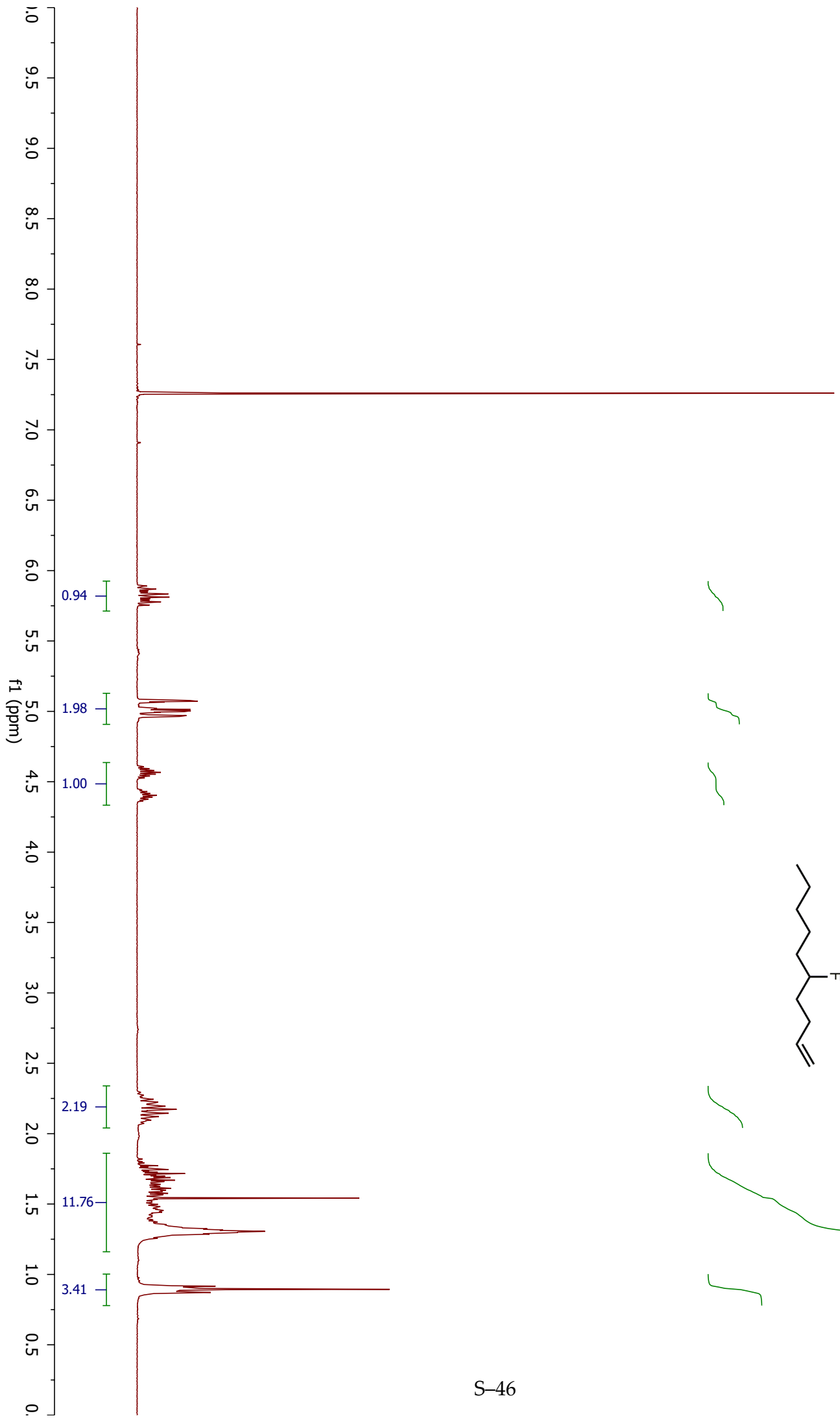
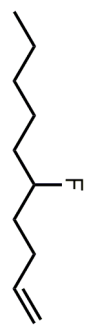
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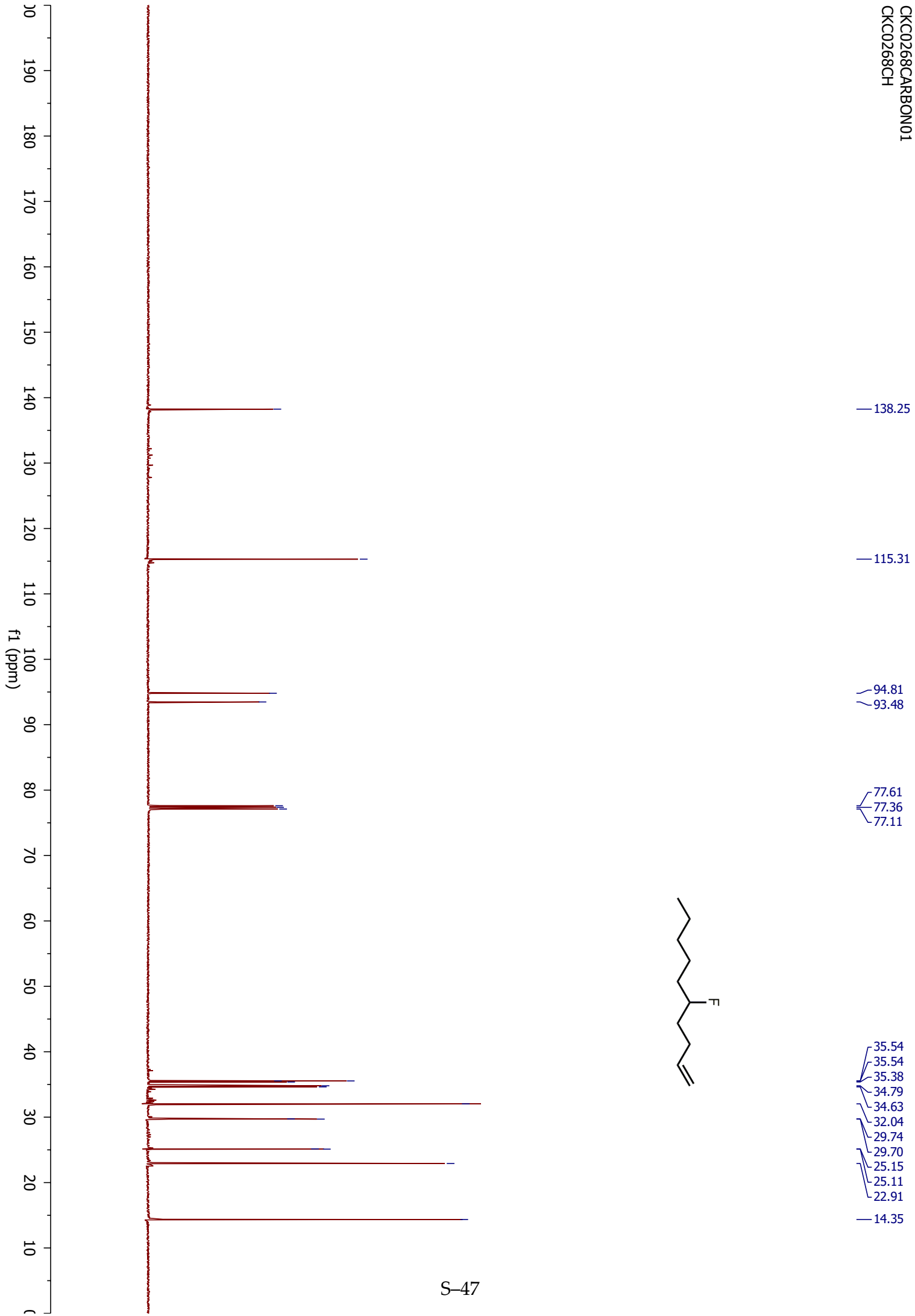




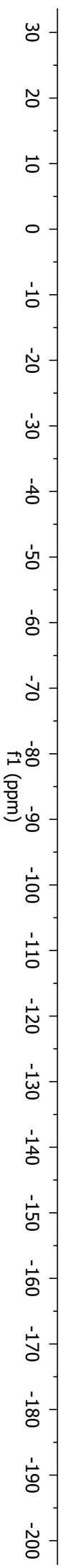
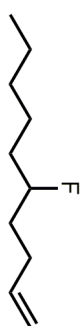


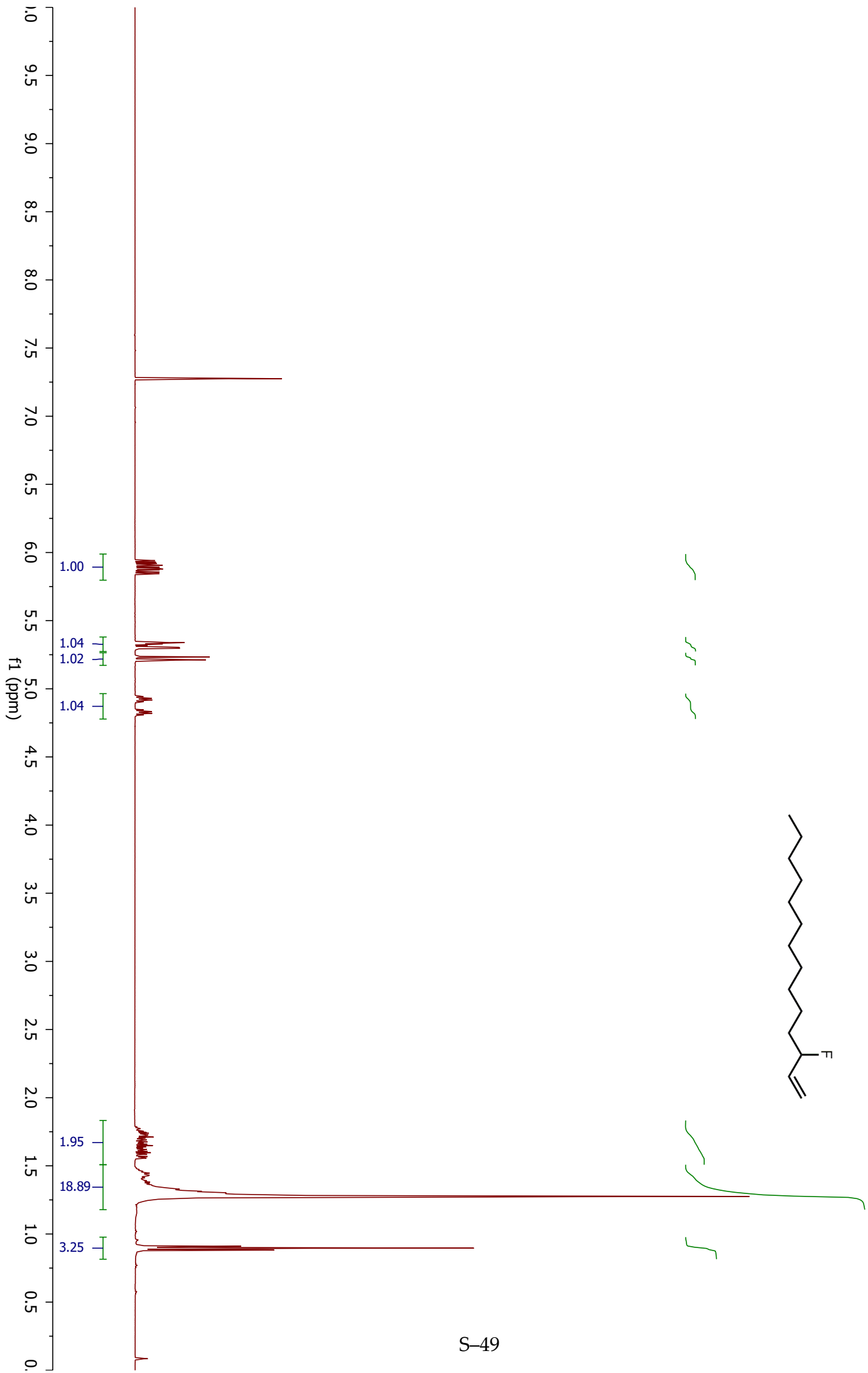


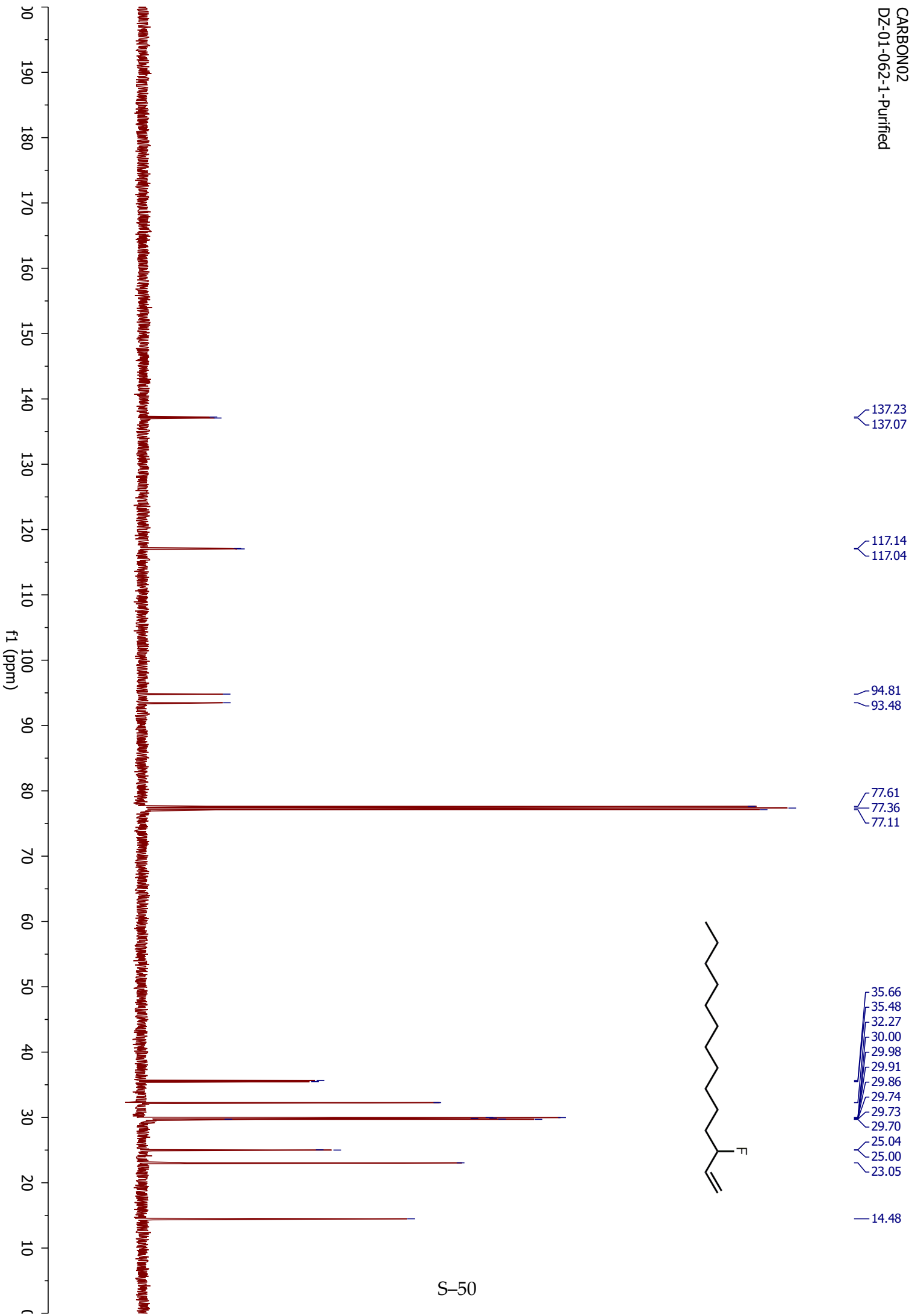


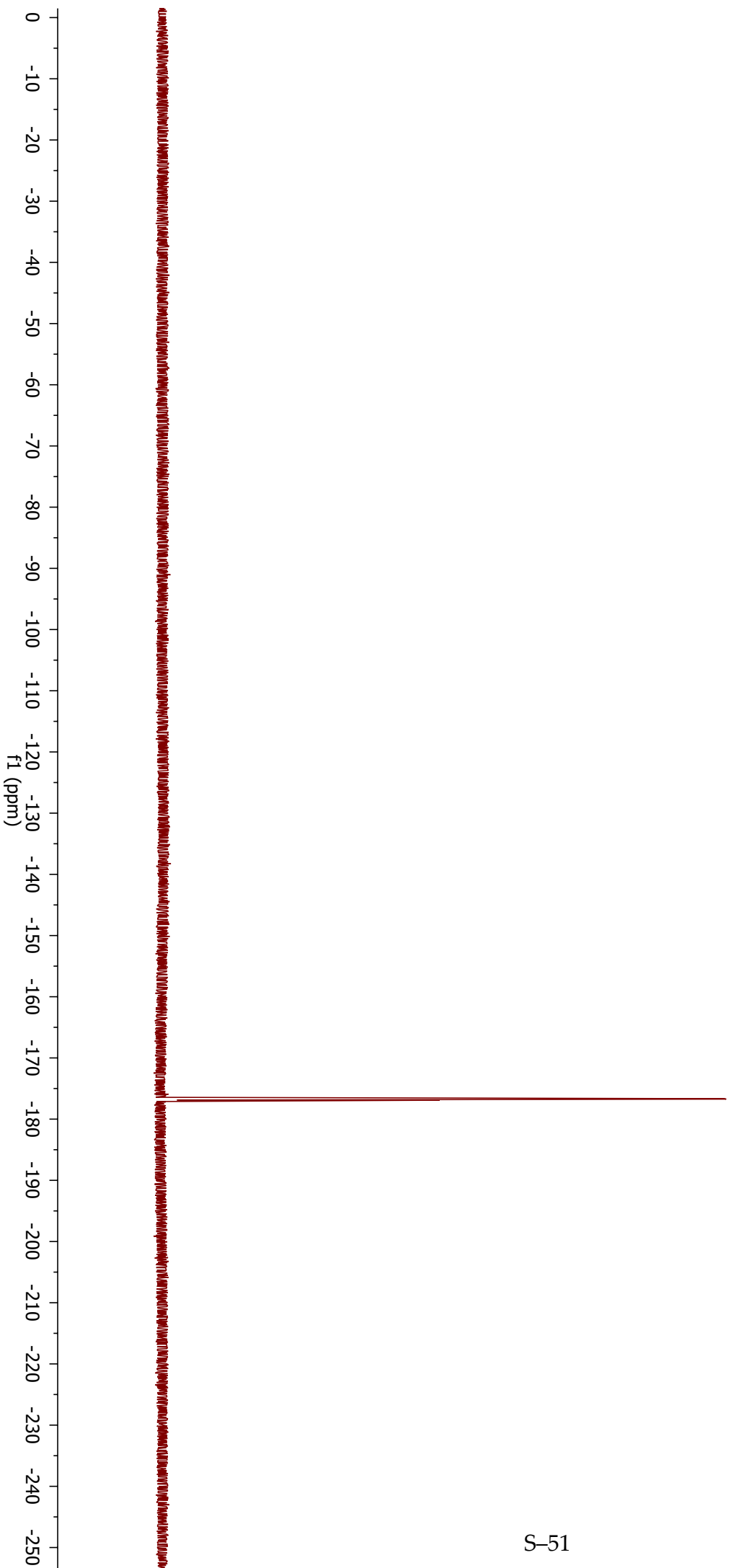


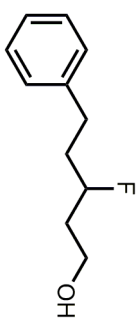




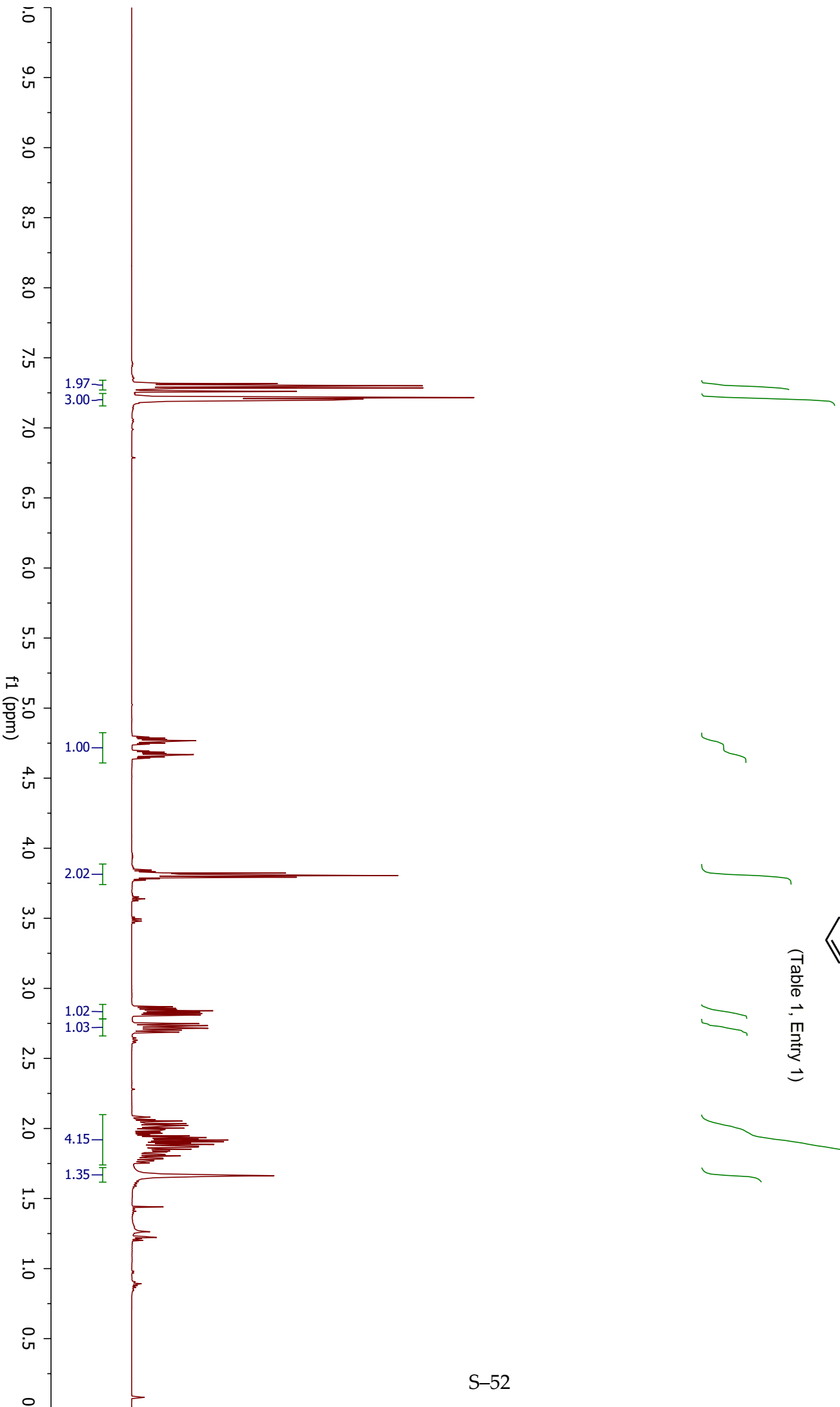


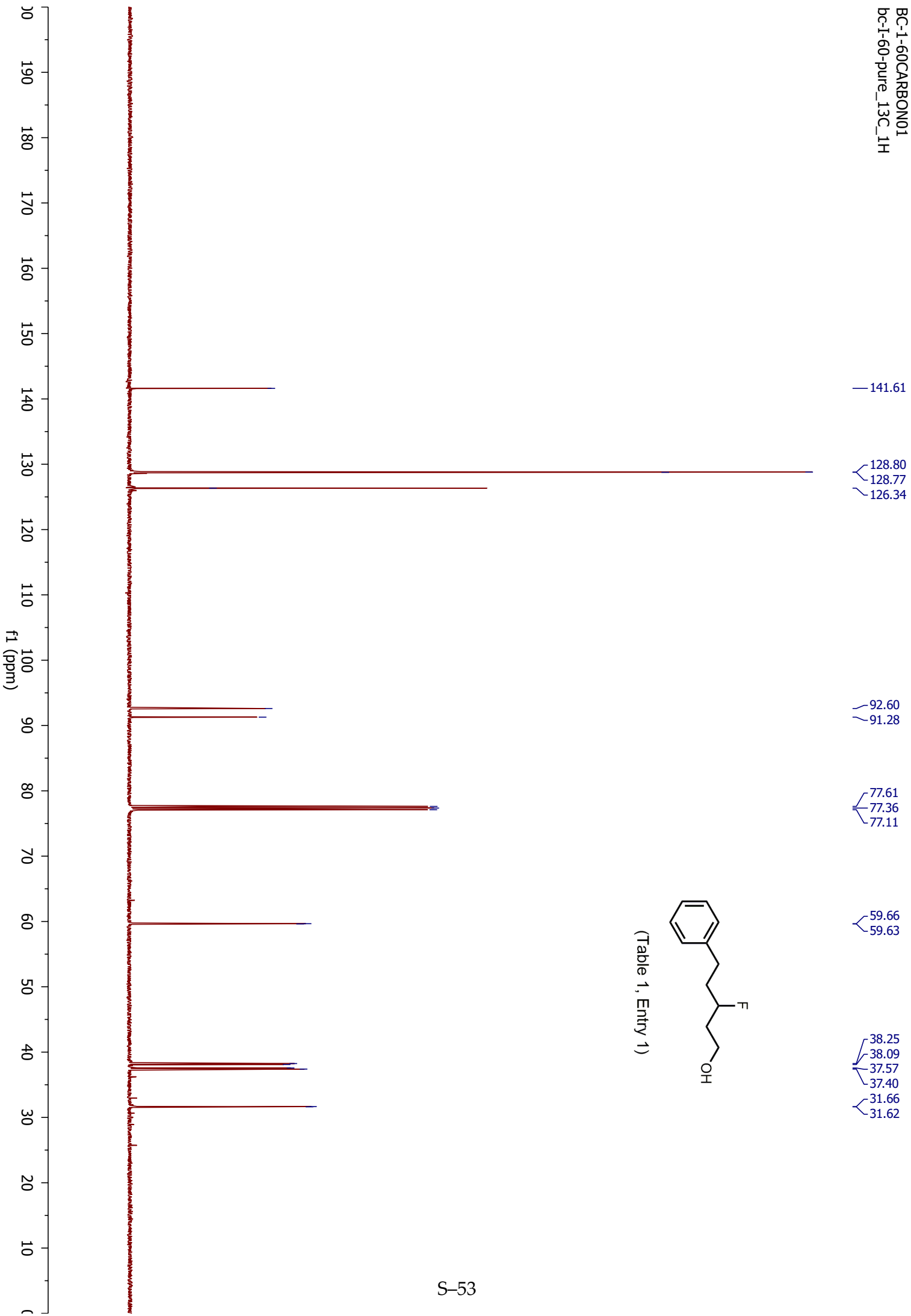


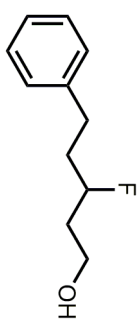




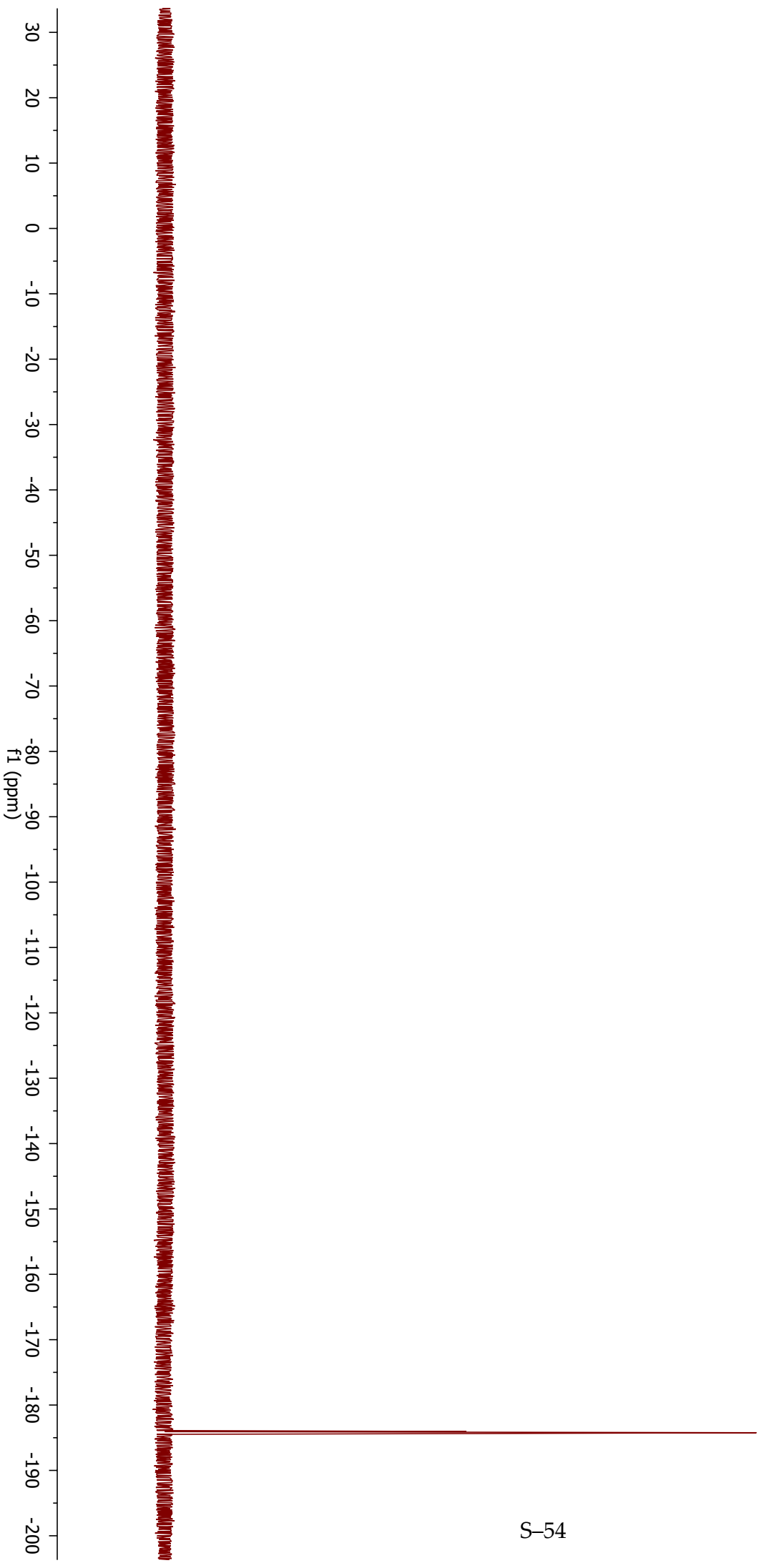
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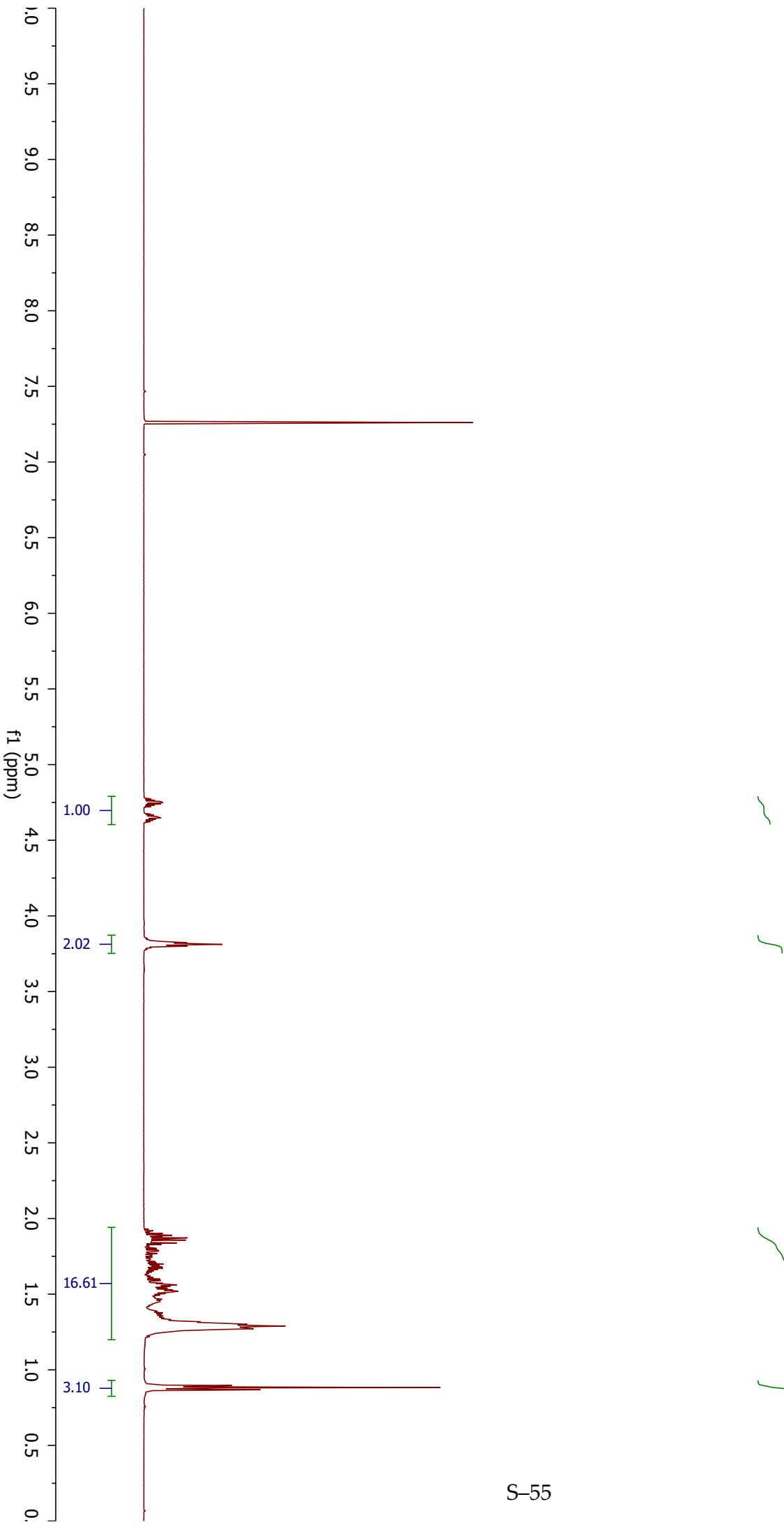
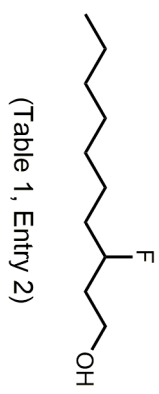




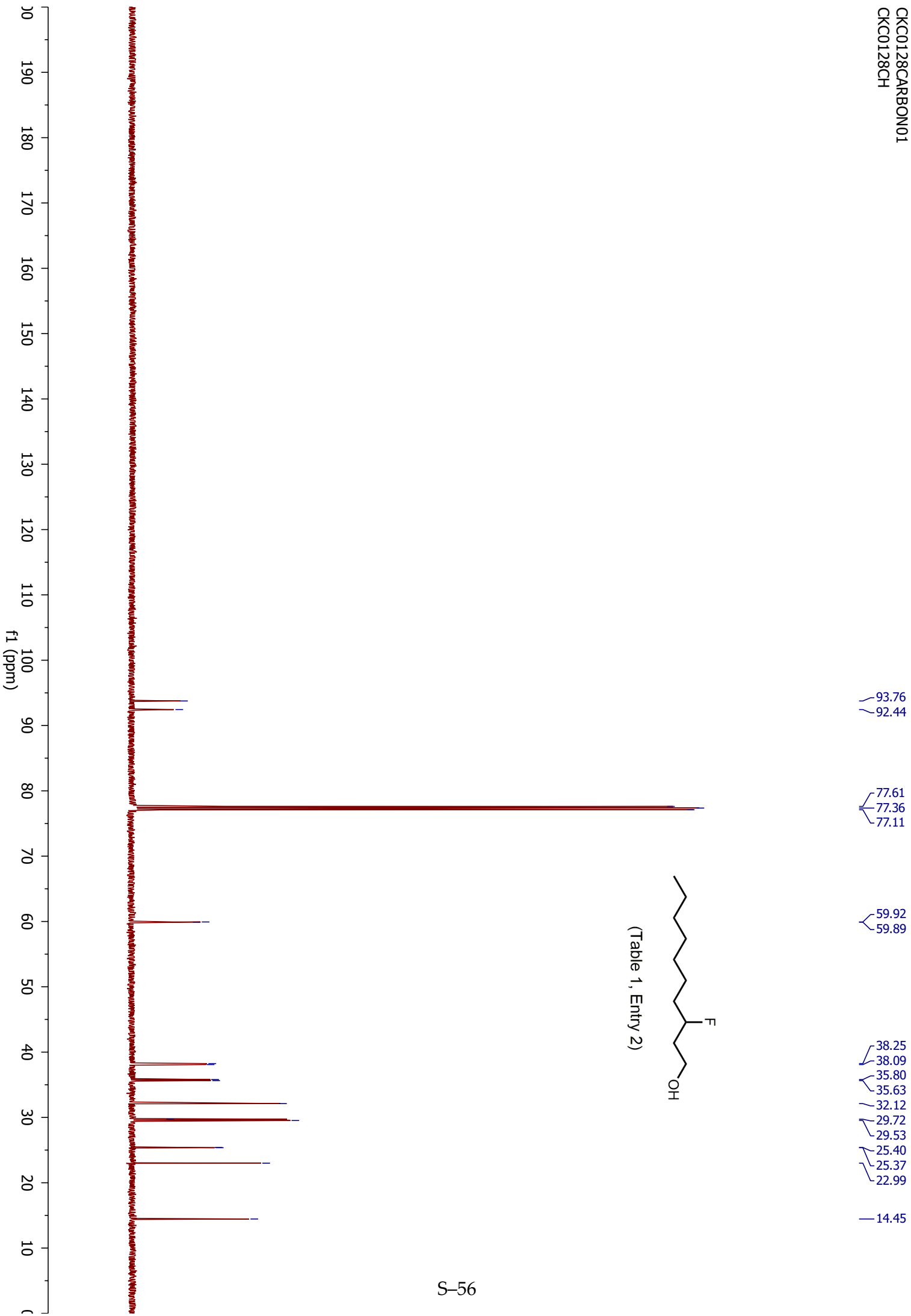


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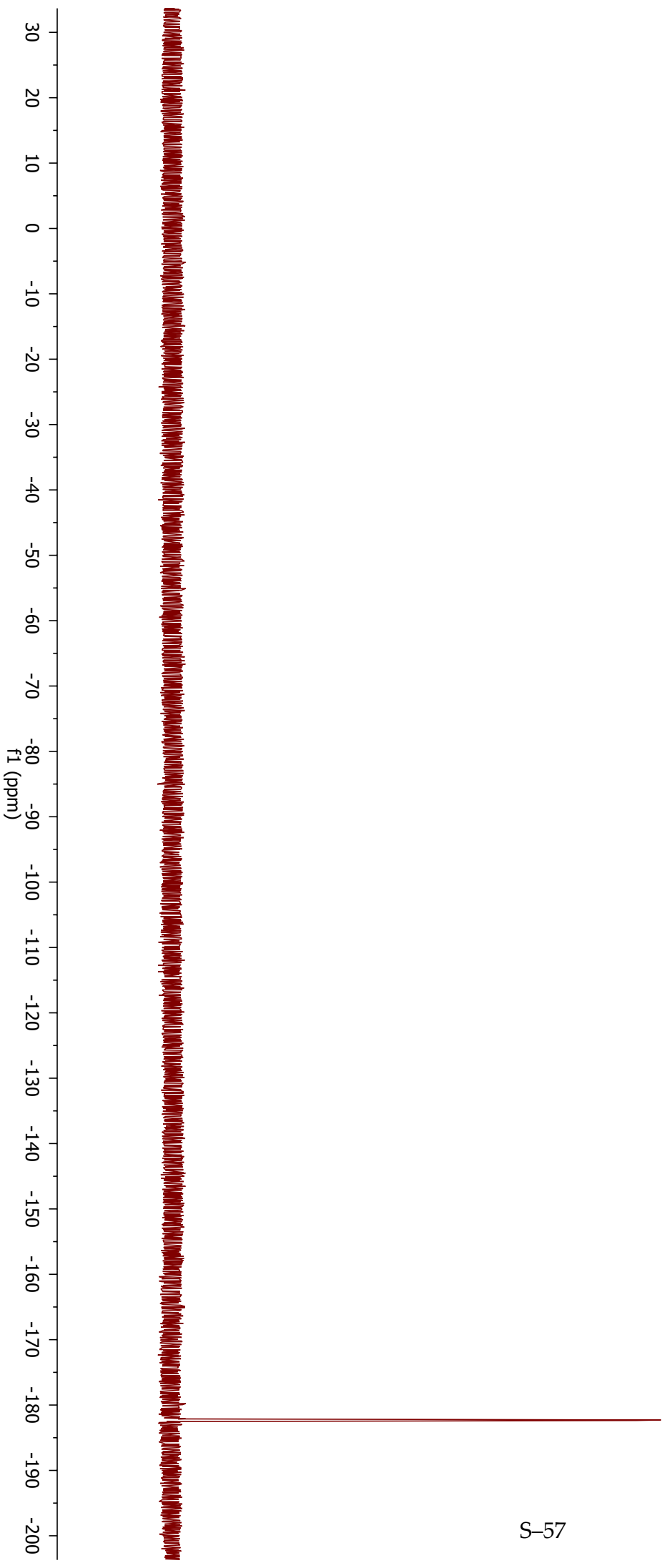


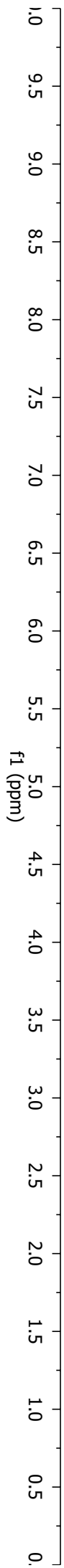
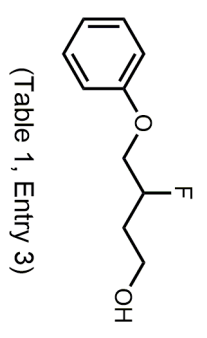
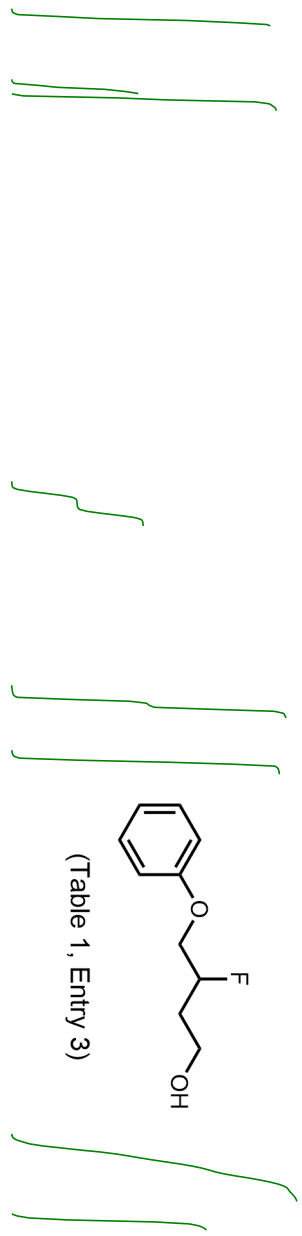


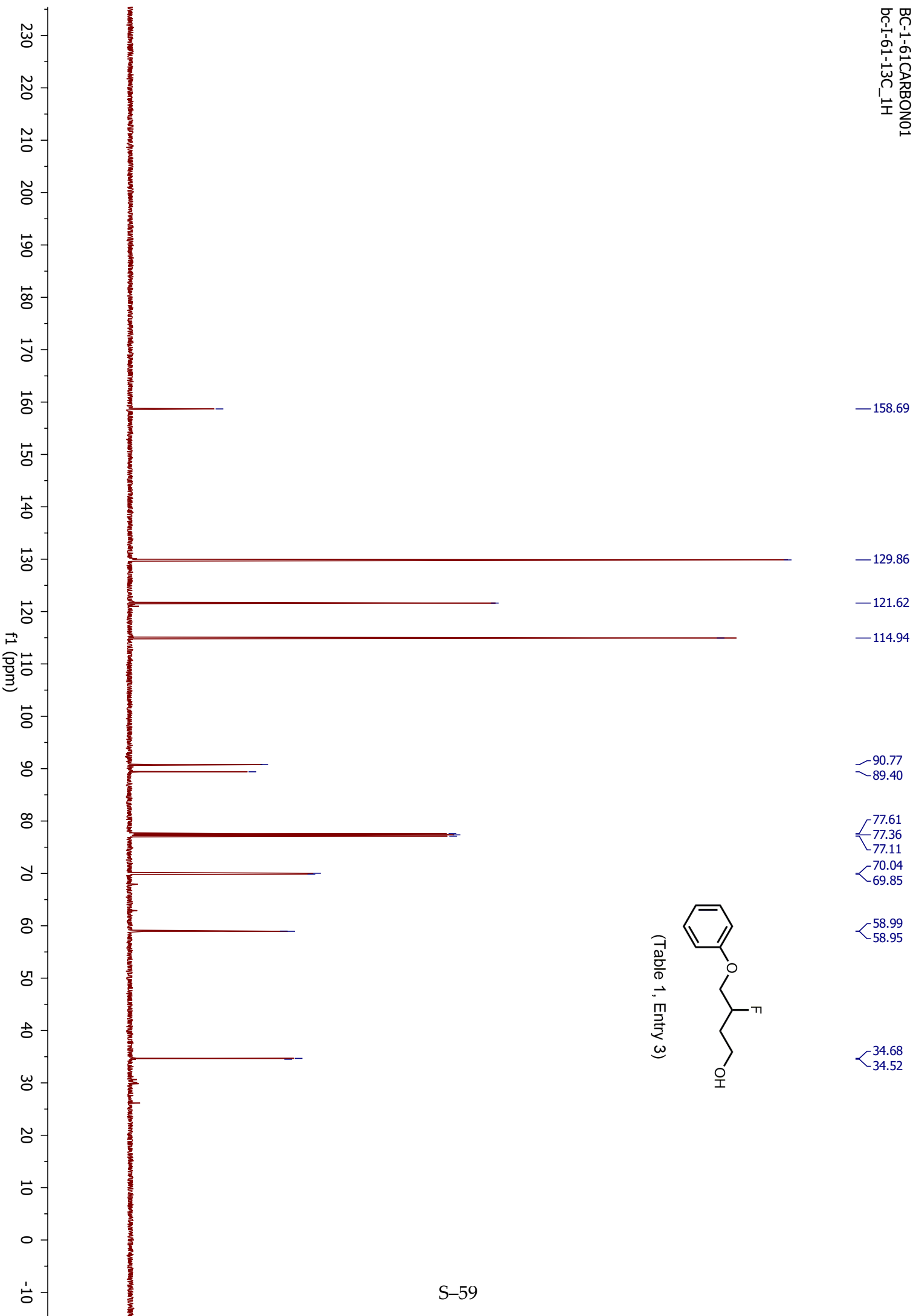


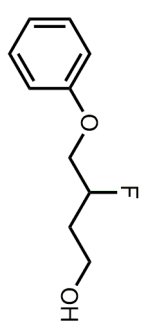


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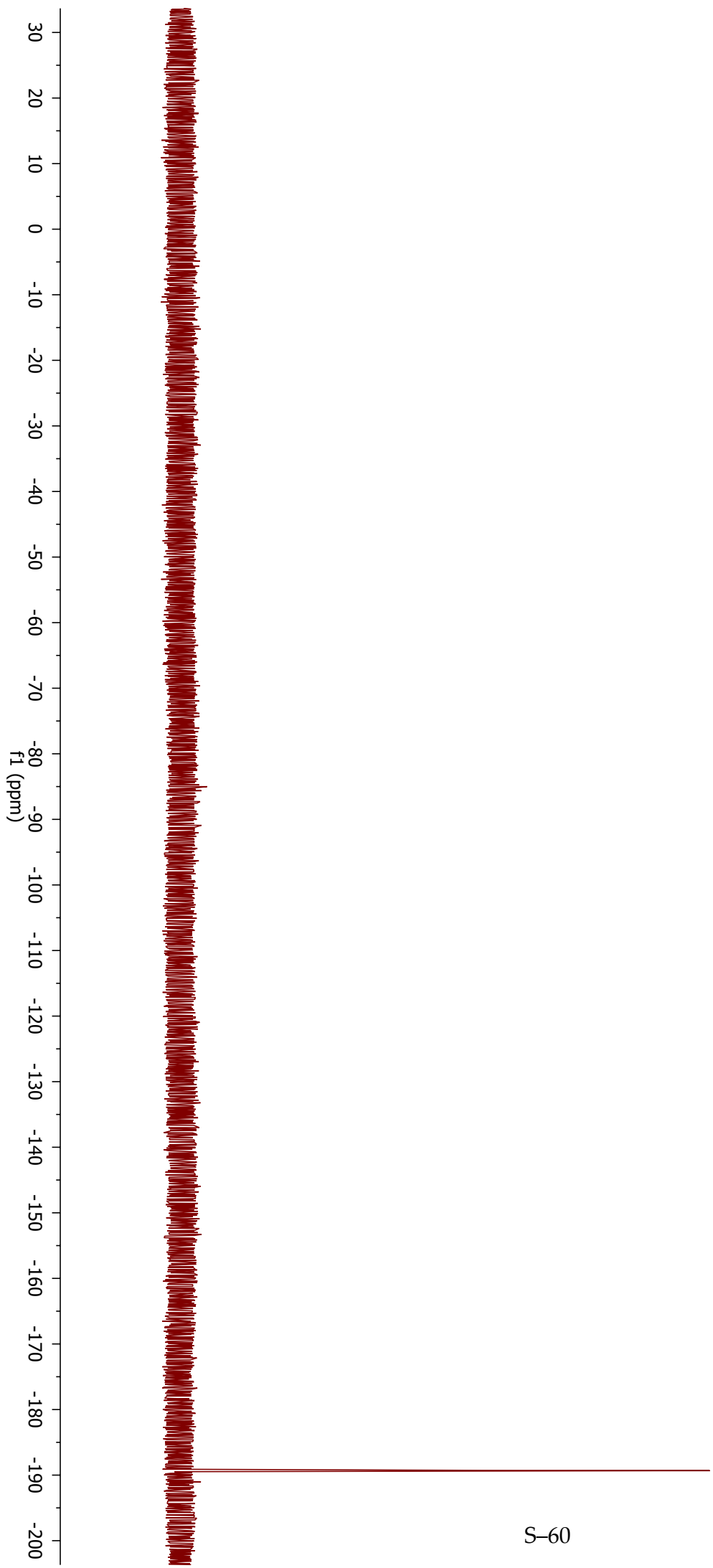


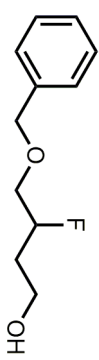




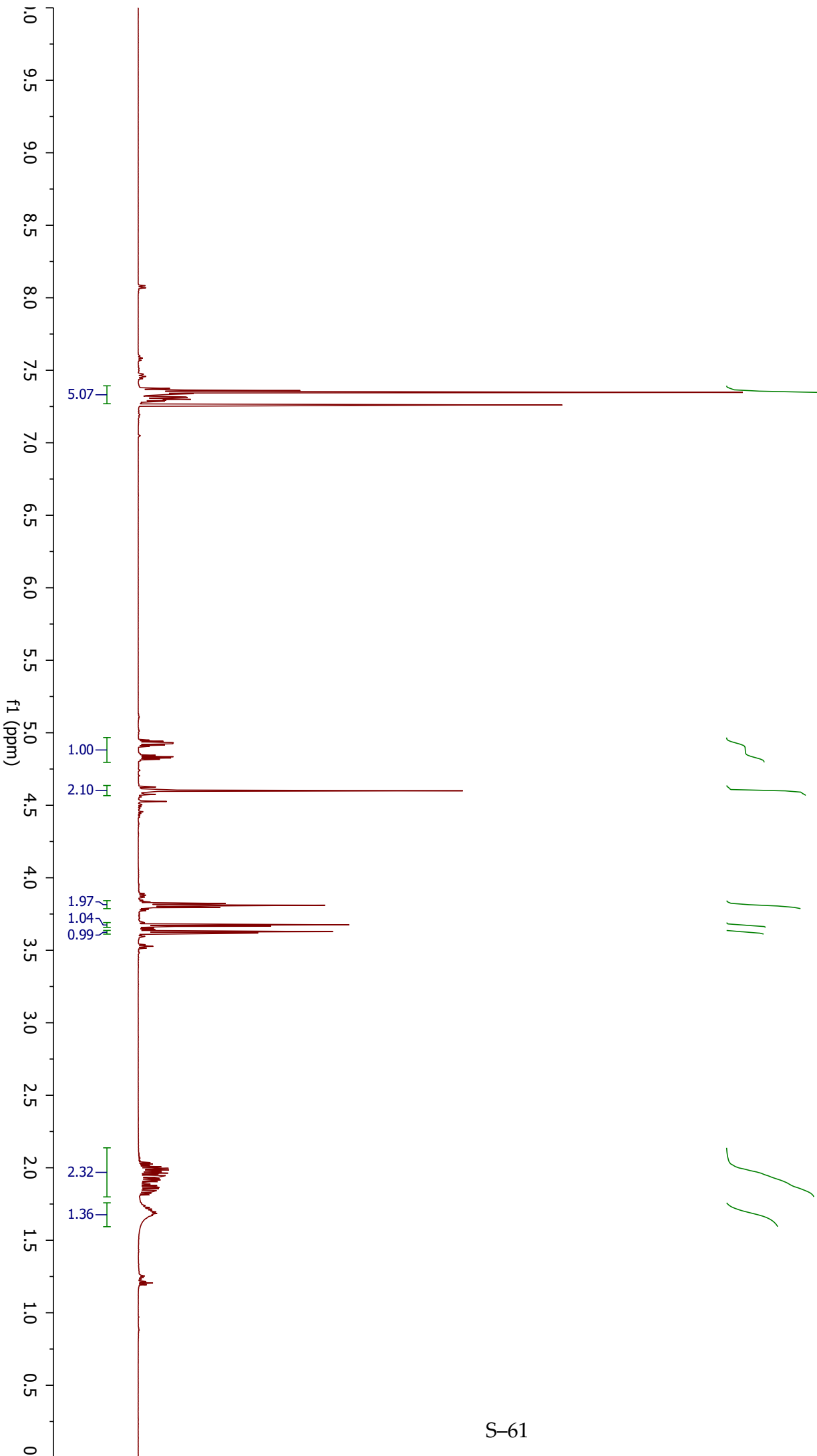


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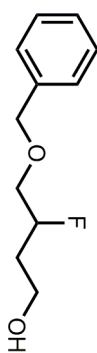
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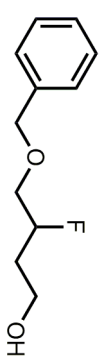
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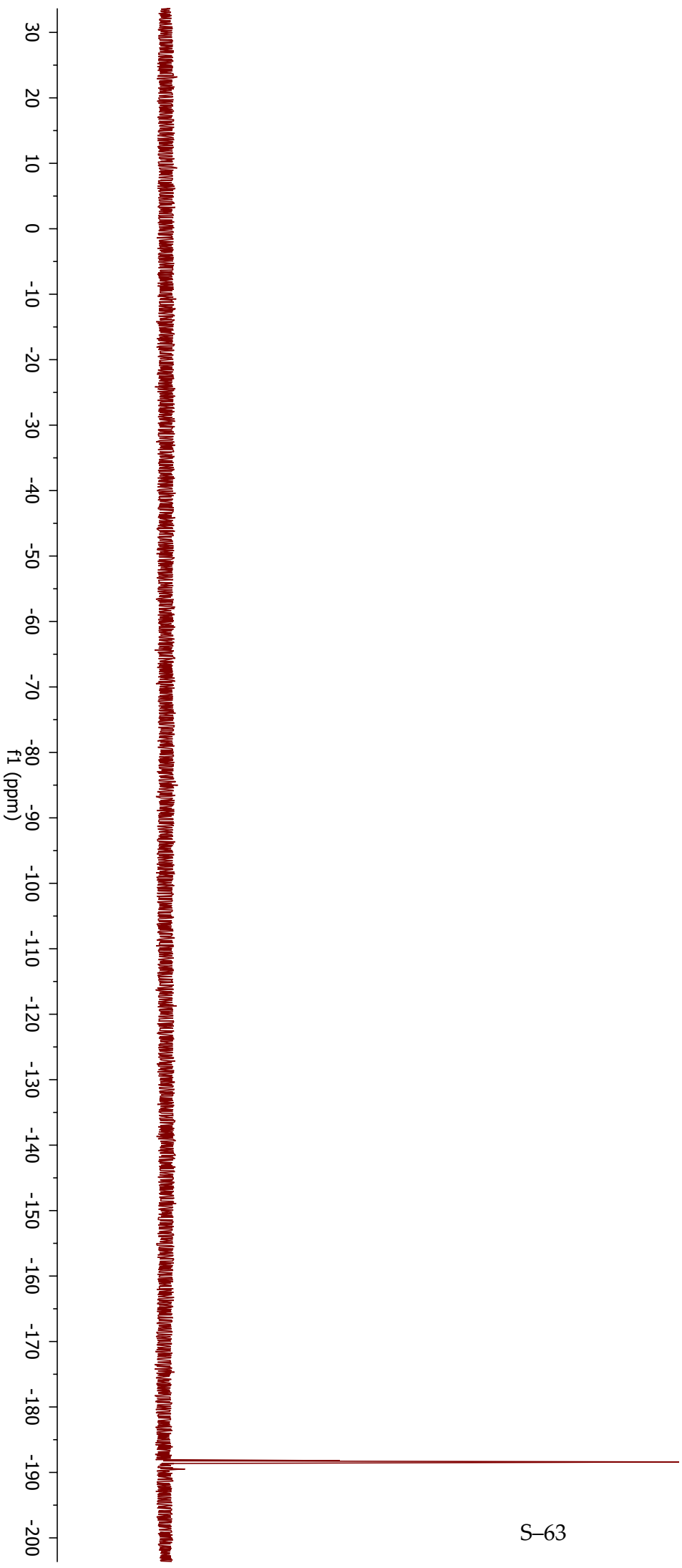


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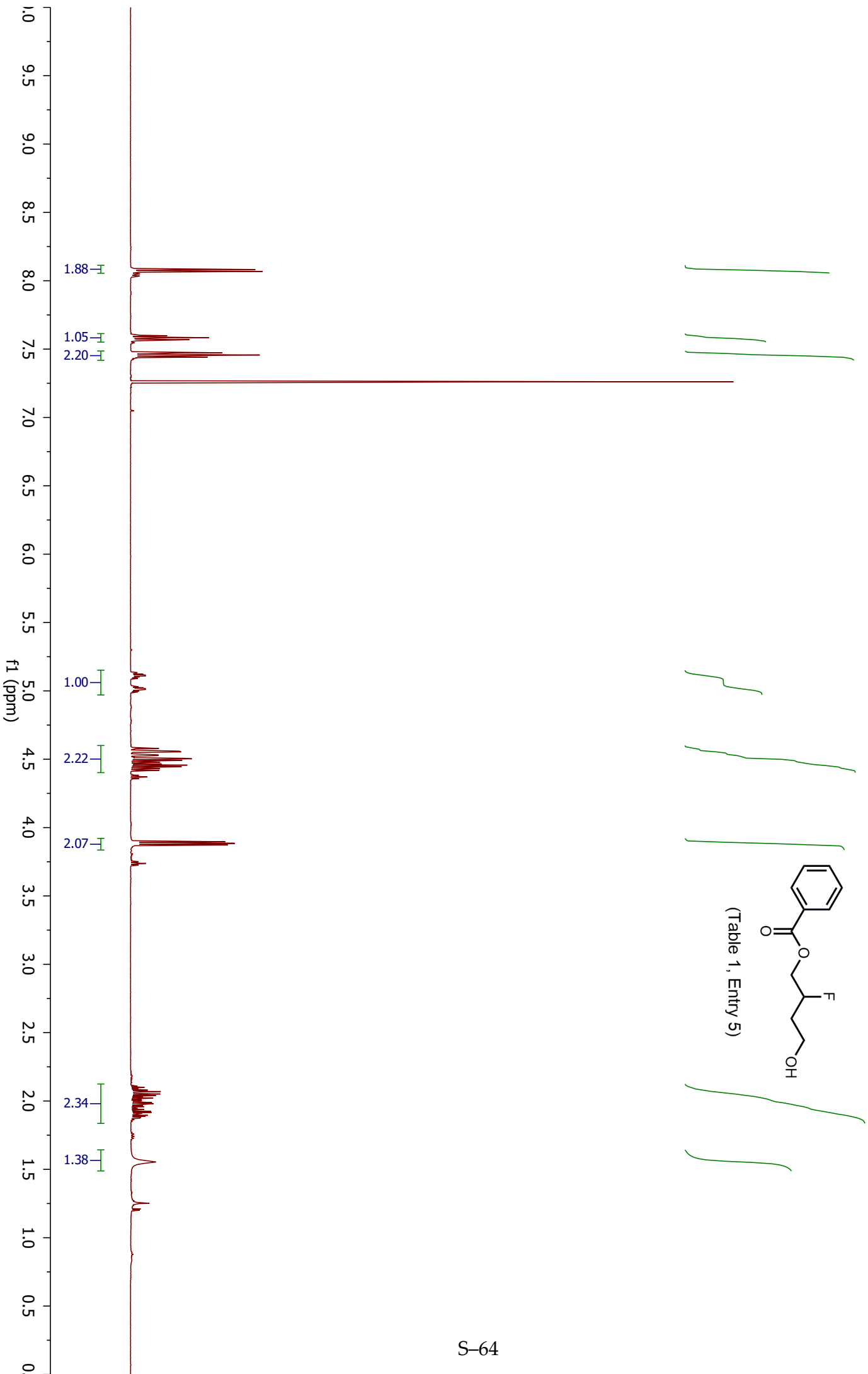




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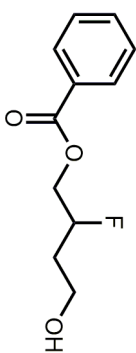
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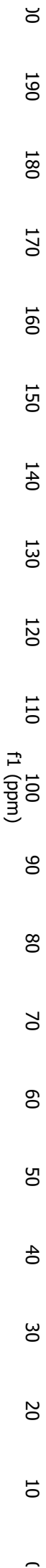
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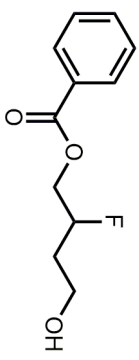
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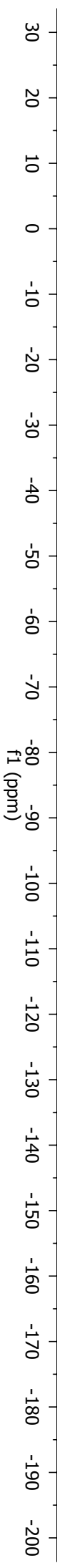


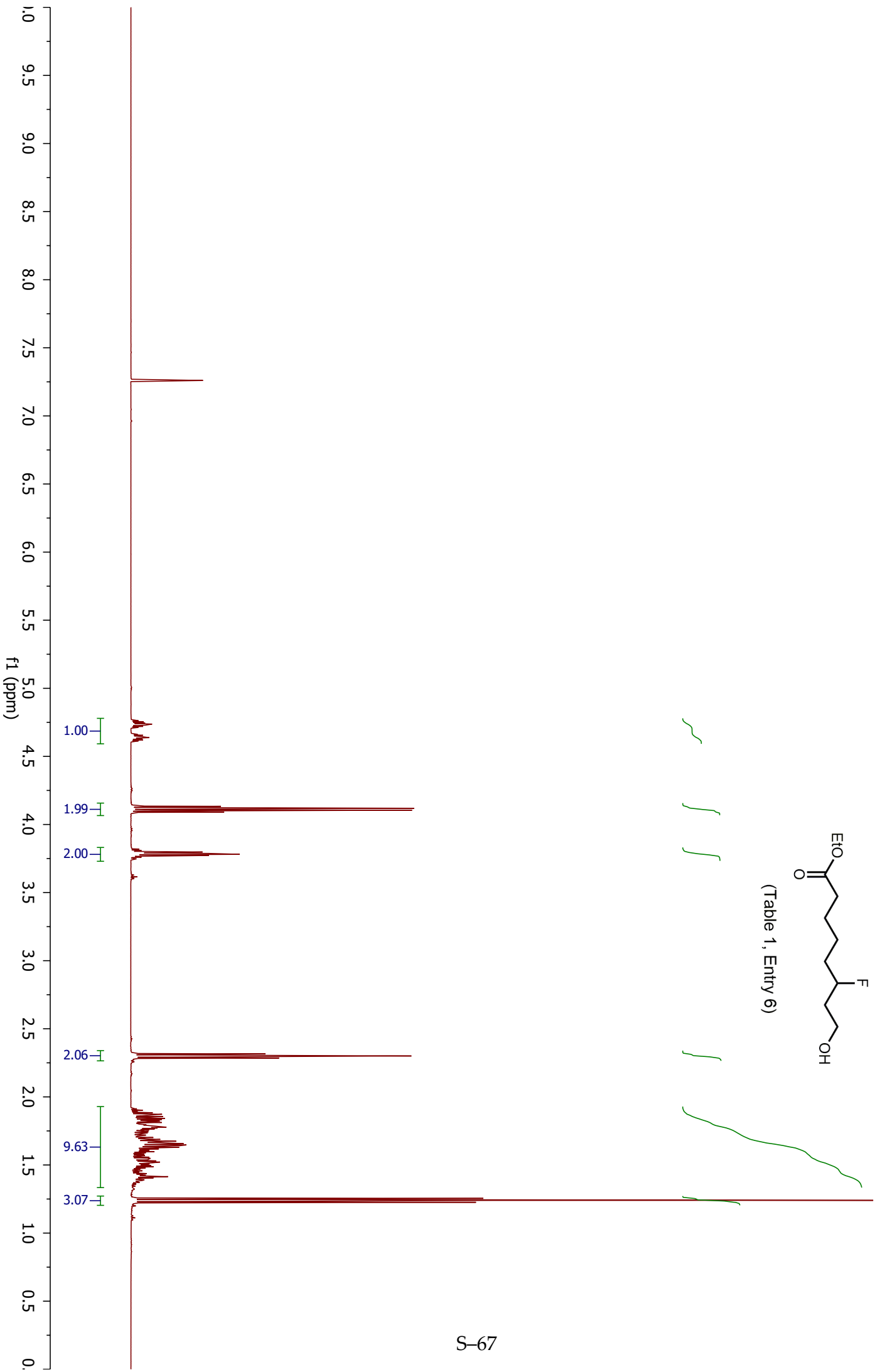
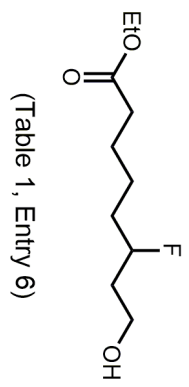
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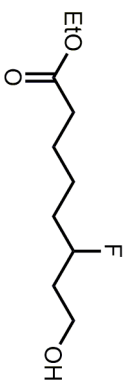
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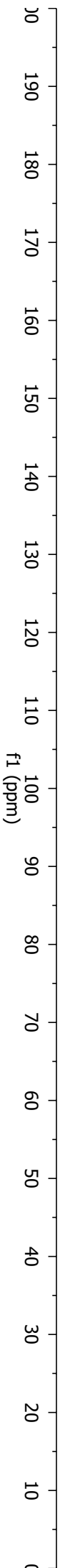
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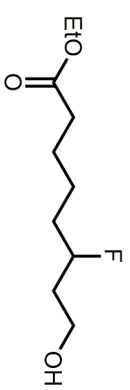
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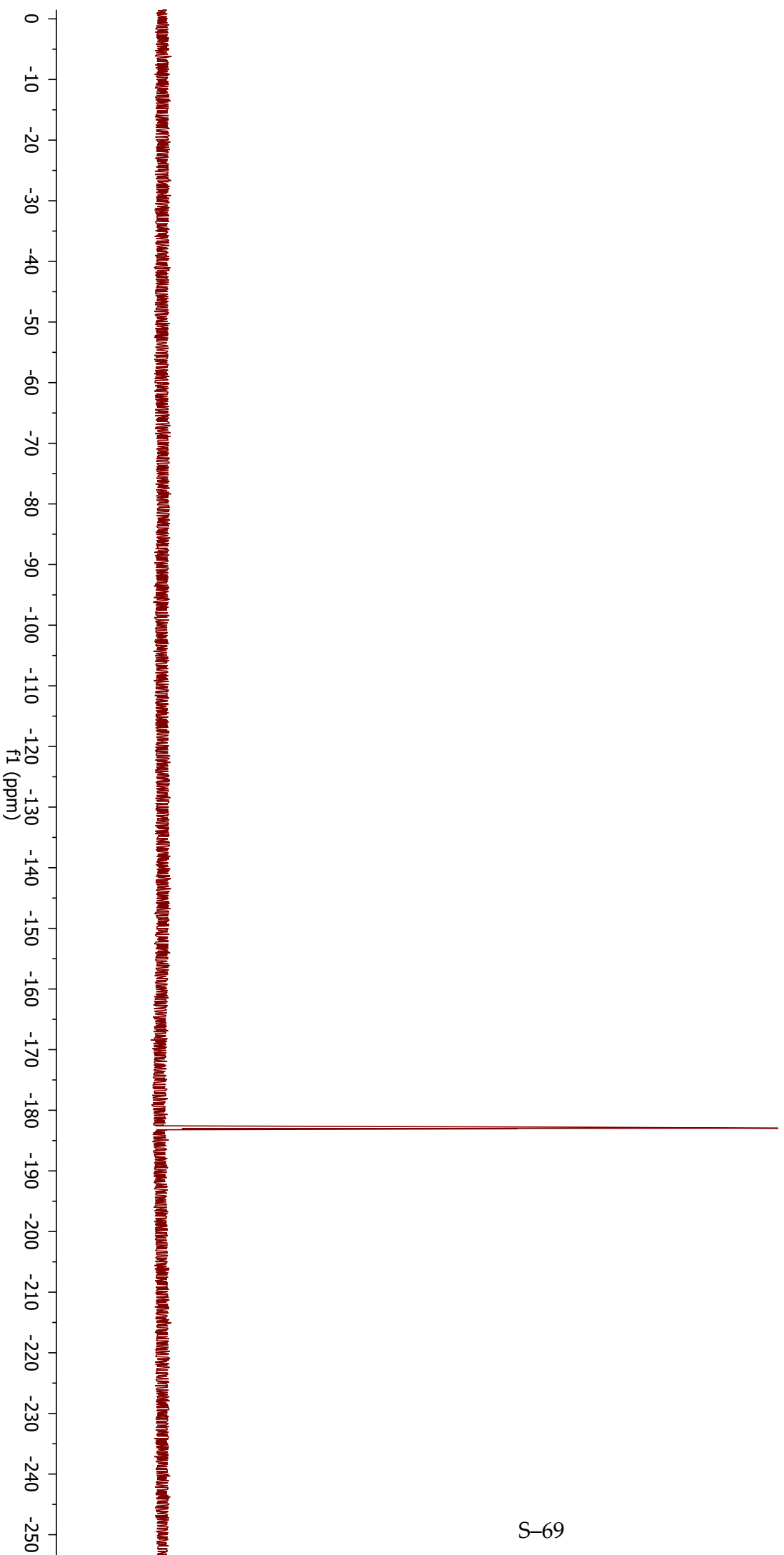


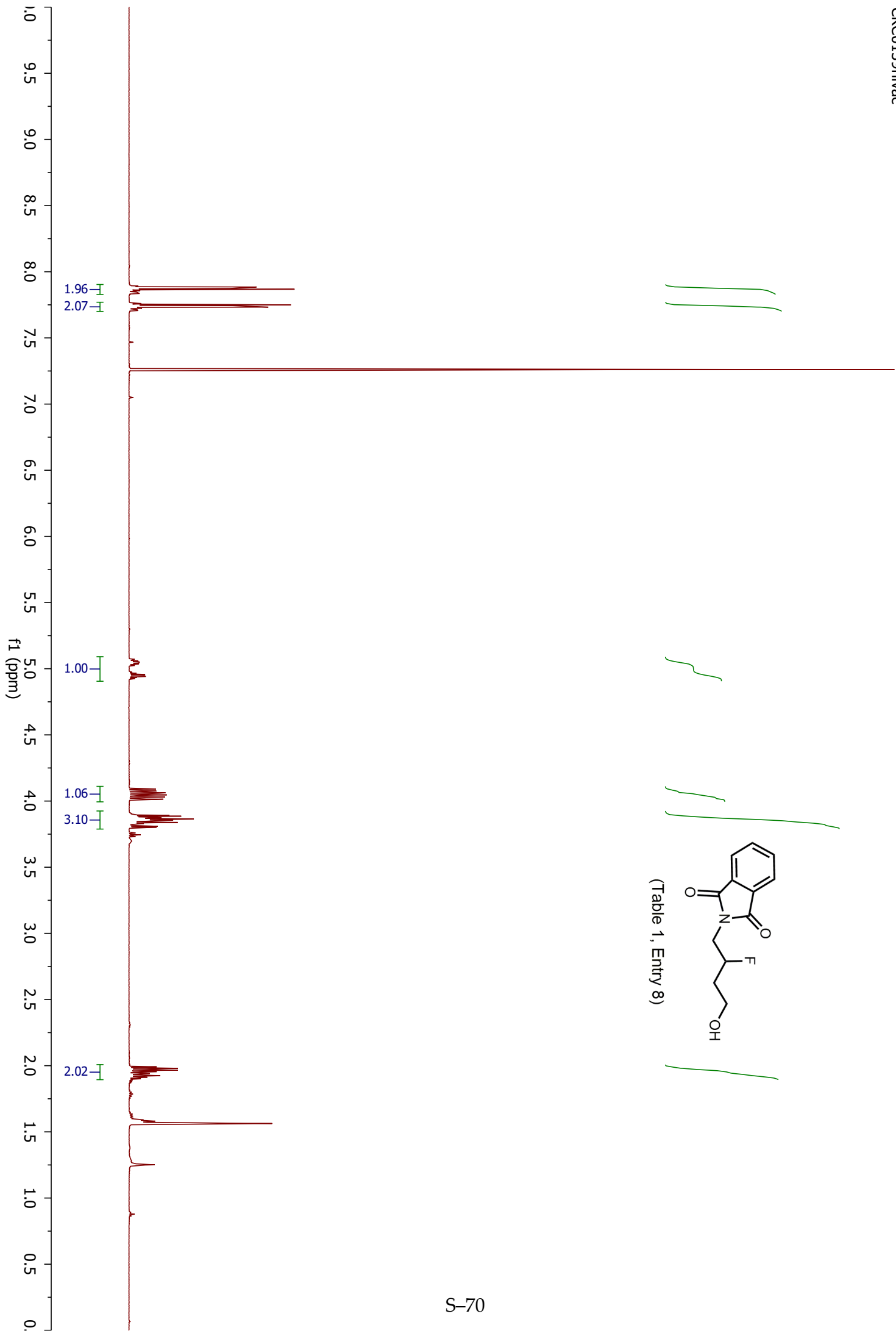
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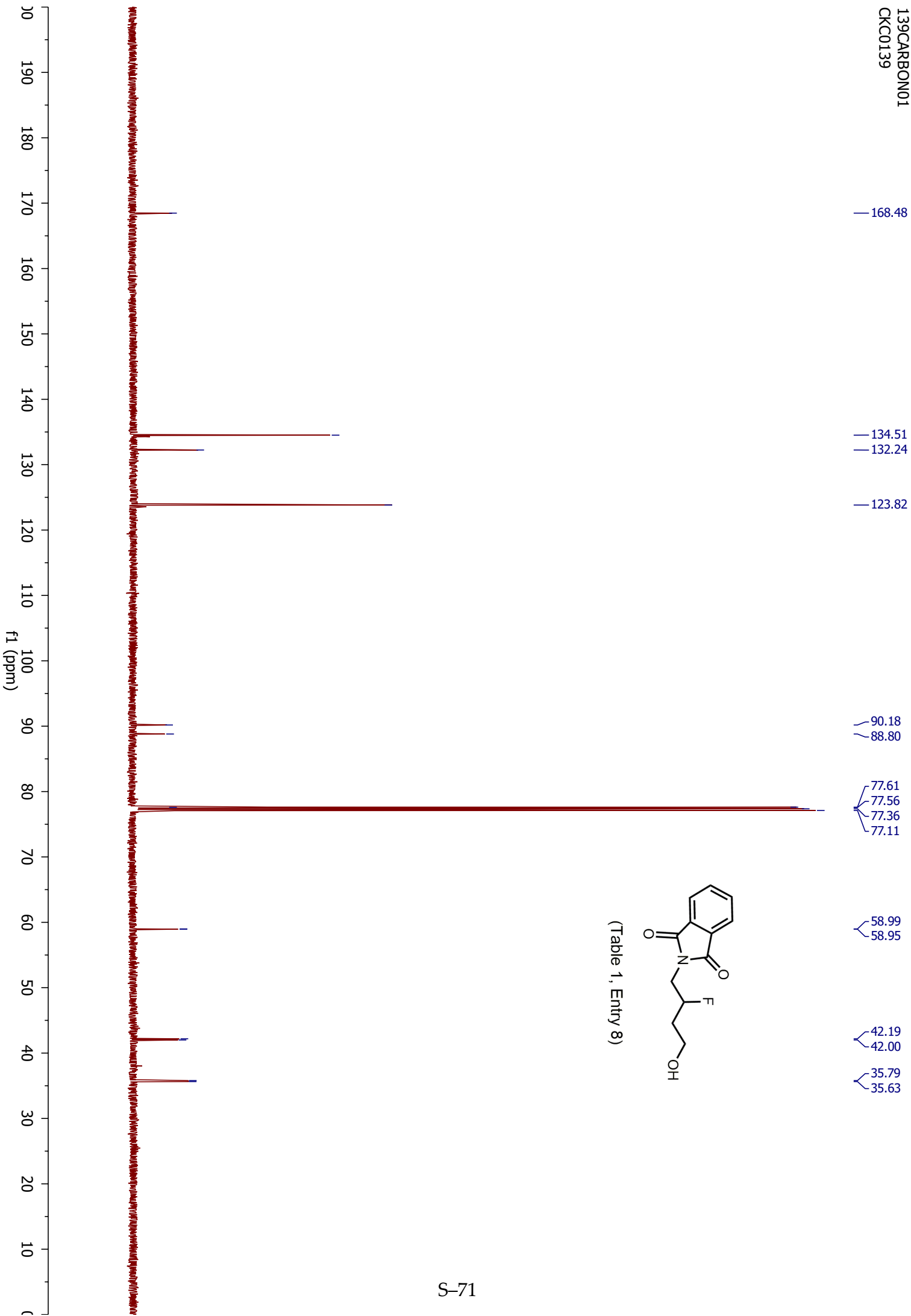




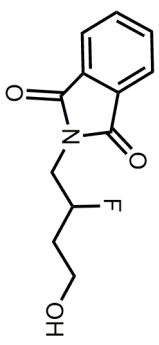
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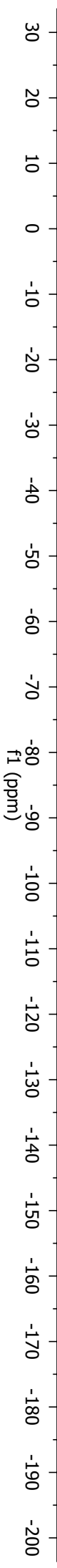


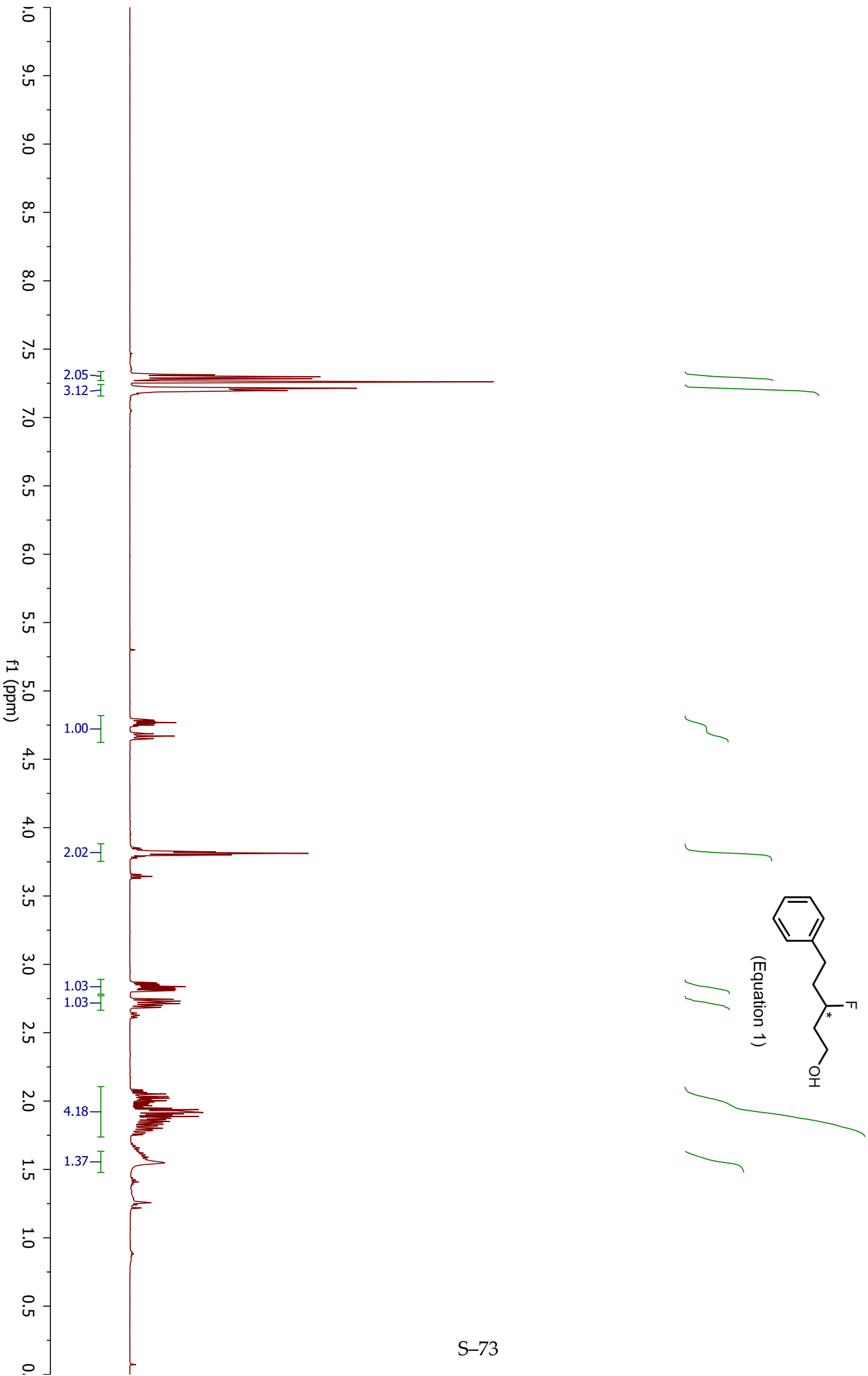
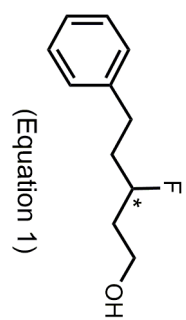




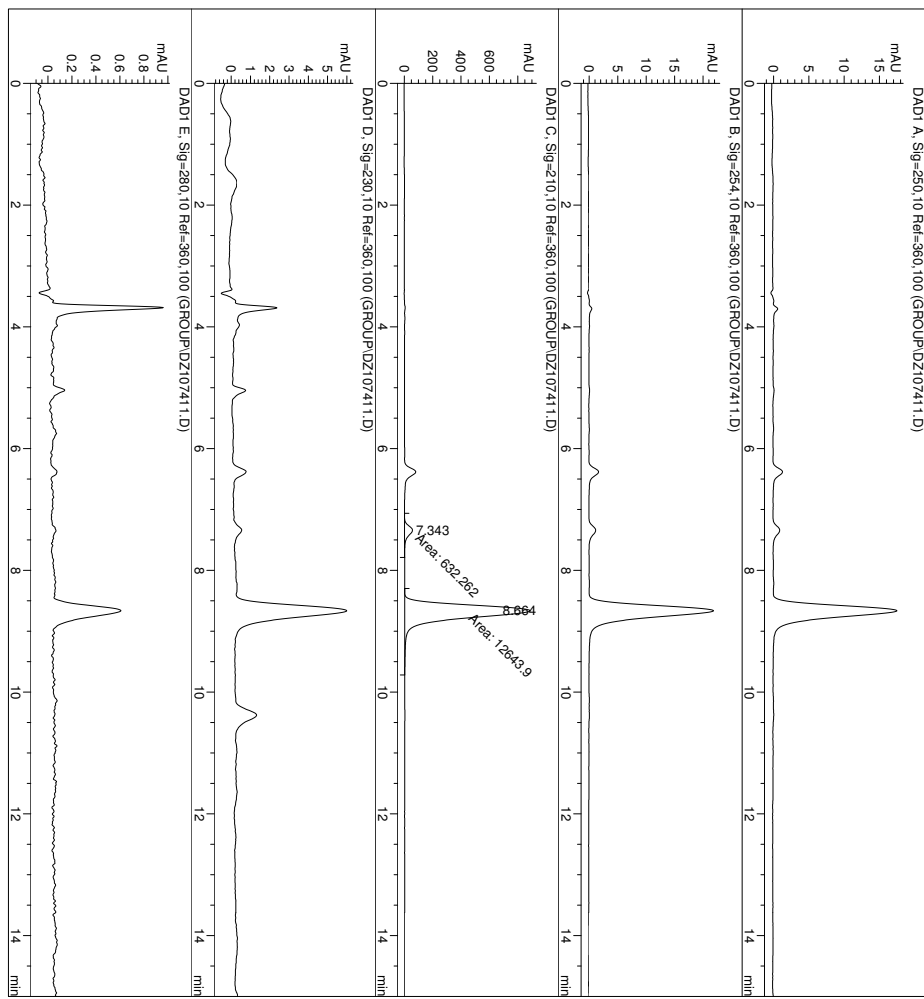


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Injection Date : 1/30/2016 12:27:33 PM
Sample Name :
Acq. Operator : XM
Acq. Instrument : Instrument 1
Different Inj Volume from Sequence : Inj Volume : 15 µl
Actual Inj Volume : 2 µl
Acq. Method : C:\HPCHEM\1\METHODS\OD-15-20.M
Last changed : 5/19/2011 9:25:09 PM by NB
Analysis Method : C:\HPCHEM\1\METHODS\OD-10-20.M
Last changed : 1/30/2016 11:16:09 PM by XM
(modified after Loading)



Area Percent Report
Sorted By : Signal
Multiplier : 1.0000
Dilution : 1.0000
Use Multiplier & Dilution Factor with ISTDs

Table with 5 columns: Peak #, RetTime [min], Type, Width [min], Area [mAU\*s], Height [mAU], Area %.

Totals : 1.32762e4 940.25658
Results obtained with enhanced integrator!
Signal 4: DAD1 D, Sig=230,10 Ref=360,100
Signal 5: DAD1 E, Sig=280,10 Ref=360,100

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