

Supporting Information

Computer-Aided Design and Biological Evaluation of Diazaspirocyclic D₄R Antagonists

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I. General Information

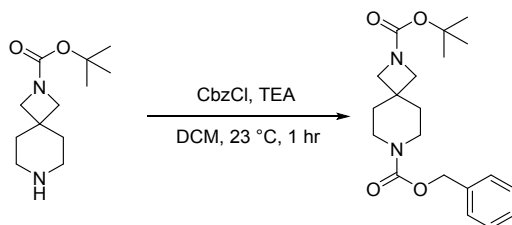
i. General Considerations.

Syntheses and manipulations were conducted in air unless otherwise specified. Reaction solvents were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich in anhydrous form with a sure seal. All reagents and building blocks for which procedures are not given below were procured from commercial vendors and used without further purification. ^1H , $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ and 2D NMR spectra were recorded on a 400 MHz Bruker AV-400 spectrometer at ambient temperature unless otherwise noted. ^1H and $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ chemical shifts are referenced to residual solvent signals in the following solvents: CDCl_3 (^1H NMR: 7.26 ppm; $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR: 77.16 ppm), $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ (^1H NMR: 2.50 ppm, $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR: 39.52 ppm), and $\text{MeOD}-d_4$ (^1H NMR: 3.31 ppm, $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR: 49.00 ppm). Chemical shifts are reported in ppm and multiplicities are abbreviated as follows: br = broad, s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, quint = quintet, dd = doublet of doublets, dt = doublet of triplets, td = triplet of doublets, ddd = doublet of doublet of doublets, tdd = triplet of doublet of doublets, m = multiplet. Automated flash column chromatography (normal phase) was conducted using a Teledyne ISCO CombiFlash system with certified ACS grade solvents. Reverse phase HPLC was performed on a Gilson preparative reverse-phase HPLC system comprised of a 333 aqueous pump with solvent-selection valve, 334 organic pump, GX-271 or GX-281 liquid hander, two column switching valves, and a 155 UV detector. UV wavelength for fraction collection was user-defined, with absorbance at 254 nm always monitored. Column: Phenomenex Axia-packed Gemini C18, 30 x 50 mm, 5 μm . Mobile phase: CH_3CN in H_2O (0.05% v/v NH_4OH). Gradient conditions: 0.75 min equilibration, followed by user-defined gradient (starting organic percentage, ending organic percentage, duration), hold at 95% CH_3CN in H_2O (0.05% v/v NH_4OH) for 1 min, 50 mL/min, 23 $^\circ\text{C}$.

ii. Mass Spectrometry.

High-resolution mass spectra were obtained on an Agilent 6540 UHD Q-TOF with Dual AJS source. MS parameters were as follows: fragmentor: 150; capillary voltage: 4000 V; nebulizer pressure: 60 psi; drying gas flow: 13 L/min; drying gas temperature: 275 $^\circ\text{C}$. Samples were introduced via an Agilent 1290 UHPLC comprised of a G4220A binary pump, G4226A ALS, G1316C TCC, and G4212A DAD with ULD flow cell. UV absorption was observed at 215 nm and 254 nm with a 4 nm bandwidth. Column: Waters Acquity BEH C18, 1.0 x 50 mm, 1.7 μm . Gradient conditions: 5% to 95% CH_3CN in H_2O (0.1% Formic Acid) over 1.25 min, hold at 95% CH_3CN for 0.25 min, 0.3 mL/min, 40 $^\circ\text{C}$.

II. Experimental Procedures



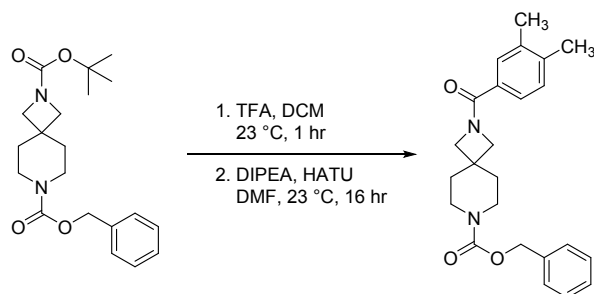
7-benzyl 2-(*tert*-butyl) 2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonane-2,7-dicarboxylate (**1**):

In a vial, *tert*-butyl 2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonane-2-carboxylate (200 mg, 0.88 mmol) was dissolved in dichloromethane (4 mL), followed by the addition of triethylamine (370 μ L, 2.65 mmol) and the dropwise addition of benzyl chloroformate (140 μ L, 0.97 mmol). The reaction was then stirred at room temperature for one hour at which point LCMS indicated full conversion. The reaction mixture was then quenched with saturated sodium bicarbonate and extracted with dichloromethane (x3). Organics were passed through a phase separator and made concentrated. Crude product was purified using a Teledyne ISCO Combi-Flash system (liquid loading, 40G column, 0-70% EtOAc/Hex) to give (**1**) (255 mg, 0.71 mmol, 80% yield) as a clear oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.31-7.37 (m, 5H), 5.12 (s, 2H), 3.64 (s, 4H), 3.43 (m, 4H), 1.71 (m, 4H), 1.44 (s, 9H).

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 156.5, 155.4, 136.8, 128.6, 128.2, 128.0, 79.7, 67.3, 58.8, 41.1, 35.2, 33.6, 28.5.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 361.2122, found 361.2127.

Note: ^1H spectrum aligns with published data.¹ No $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ spectra reported.



Benzyl 2-(3,4-dimethylbenzoyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonane-7-carboxylate (**2**):

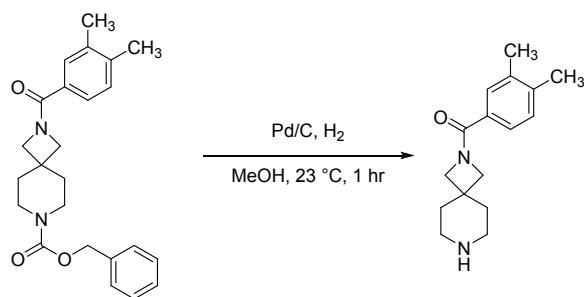
In a vial, (**1**) (254.7 mg, 0.71 mmol) was dissolved in dichloromethane (2 mL) and cooled to 0 $^\circ\text{C}$, followed by the addition of trifluoroacetic acid (1 mL, 13.06 mmol). The solution was then warmed to room temperature and stirred for one hour. At this point, LCMS indicated full conversion, and the reaction was concentrated, quenched with saturated sodium bicarbonate, and extracted with dichloromethane (x3). Organics were passed through a phase separator, concentrated, and dissolved in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (1 mL). In a separate vial, 3,4-dimethylbenzoic acid (159.2 mg, 1.06 mmol) and HATU (403.0 mg, 1.06 mmol) were dissolved

in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (1 mL) before the addition of *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (0.74 mL, 4.24 mmol). The solution was then stirred for 10 minutes before the addition of the intermediate produced above and stirring at room temperature for 30 minutes. At this point, LCMS indicated some starting material remained, and additional *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (0.74 mL, 4.24 mmol) was added before stirring overnight. The following morning, the mixture was diluted in water and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was then washed with brine, dried over sodium sulfate, filtered, and made concentrated. Crude product was purified using a Teledyne ISCO Combi-Flash system (liquid loading, 40G column, 0-10% MeOH/DCM; elution ~ 5%) to give **(2)** (266.8 mg, 0.68 mmol, 96% yield) as a colorless oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.44 – 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.38 – 7.29 (m, 5H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (s, 2H), 3.99 – 3.92 (m, 4H), 3.45 (q, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 4H), 2.29 (s, 6H), 1.76 (br. s, 4H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.4, 137.1, 136.8, 129.7, 129.6, 129.6, 129.4, 128.7, 128.2, 128.1, 125.5, 125.5, 67.4, 41.1, 35.2, 34.4, 34.4, 20.0, 19.9.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₄H₂₉N₂O₃ ([M+H]⁺) 393.2173, found 393.2175.



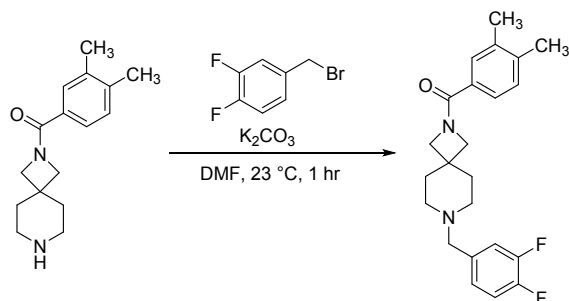
(3,4-dimethylphenyl)(2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (3):

To a solution of **(2)** (266.8 mg, 0.68 mmol) in methanol (5 mL) was added palladium on activated carbon (72.3 mg, 0.07 mmol, 10 % wt). The vessel was then sealed, and the ambient atmosphere was displaced with nitrogen and then hydrogen. The reaction was then stirred at room temperature for one hour at which point LCMS indicated full conversion. The hydrogen atmosphere was then displaced with nitrogen before opening the vessel and filtering the reaction through a pad of Celite and concentrating under vacuum. **(3)** (169.1 mg, 0.65 mmol, 96% yield) was obtained as beige oil and was used in the next step without further purification.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 7.44 – 7.43 (m, 1H), 7.37 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.23 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 4.06 (s, 2H), 3.86 (s, 2H), 3.36 (s, 1H), 2.82 – 2.74 (m, 4H), 2.31 (s, 6H), 1.77 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 4H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 172.6, 141.7, 138.1, 131.6, 130.7, 129.9, 126.5, 64.8, 60.1, 43.7, 36.4, 35.3, 19.8, 19.7.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₁₆H₂₃N₂O ([M+H]⁺) 259.1805, found 259.1811.



[7-[(3,4-difluorophenyl)methyl]-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl]--(3,4-dimethylphenyl)methanone (4):

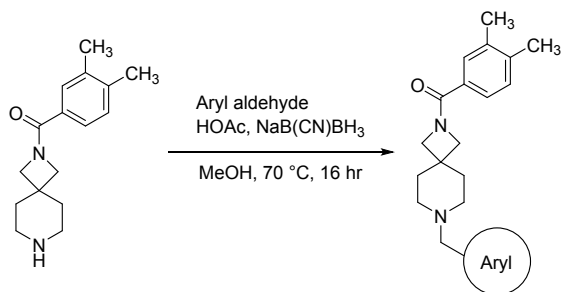
To a suspension of (3) (21.9 mg, 0.08 mmol) and potassium carbonate (23.8 mg, 0.17 mmol) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (1 mL) was added 3,4-difluorobenzyl bromide (11.9 μ L, 0.09 mmol). The reaction mixture was then stirred at room temperature for one hour. At this point, the reaction mixture was then filtered through a PTFE filter and purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 5-95% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH_4OH , 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated and purified once more via Teledyne ISCO Combi-Flash system (liquid loading, 4G column, 0-10% MeOH/DCM) to give (4) (14.3 mg, 0.037 mmol, 44% yield) as a white solid.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$): δ 7.41 – 7.30 (m, 4H), 7.20 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 3.97 (br. s, 2H), 3.70 (br. s, 2H), 3.41 (br. s, 2H), 2.33-2.25 (m, 10H), 1.71 (br. s, 4H).

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$): δ 169.6, 151.0 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 244.6$ Hz), 149.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 244.6$ Hz), 139.9, 137.0 (br. s) 136.8, 131.2, 129.8, 129.2, 125.8, 117.7 (br. s), 63.1, 61.2, 58.6, 50.2, 35.3, 33.9, 19.8, 19.8.

Note: Broadening is observed in the $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ spectrum for the peaks correlating to the difluorobenzyl due to splitting from the fluorine nuclei, specifically at 117.7 ppm and 137.0 ppm. Some broadening is also observed at 125.8 ppm, which 2D NMR indicates is due to a buried carbon peak.

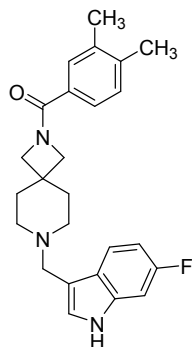
HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{27}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 385.2086, found 385.2092.



General Procedure A:

To a vial containing (3) (15.4 mg, 0.06 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and an aryl aldehyde 0.07 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) in methanol (0.5 mL) was added acetic acid (0.17 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) and sodium cyanoborohydride (0.12 mmol, 2 equiv.). The vial was then sealed, heated to 70 $^\circ\text{C}$, and stirred

overnight. The following morning, the reaction was made concentrated before quenching with saturated sodium bicarbonate and extracting with dichloromethane (x3). Organics were passed through a phase separator and made concentrated. Crude product was then purified either using reverse phase HPLC (Gilson) or normal phase silica gel chromatography (ISCO).



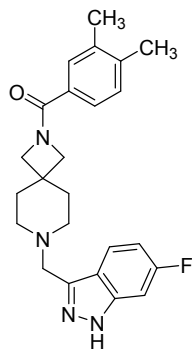
(3,4-dimethylphenyl)(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (5):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure A**. Crude product was dissolved in DMSO (1 mL) and purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fraction containing the desired product were concentrated and purified once more via Teledyne ISCO Combi-Flash system (liquid loading, 4G column, 0-10% MeOH/DCM) to give **(5)** (5.5 mg, 0.01 mmol, 23% yield) as a white solid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.96 (s, 1H), 7.60 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.19-7.17 (m, 2H), 7.10 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.85-6.79 (m, 1H), 3.93 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 2H), 3.55 (s, 2H), 2.40-2.24 (m, 10H), 1.67 (s, 4H).

¹³C NMR{¹H} (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 169.1, 158.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 233.7 Hz), 139.4, 136.3, 136.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 12.7 Hz), 130.8, 129.3, 128.8, 125.3, 125.0, 124.4, 120.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 10.1 Hz), 111.4, 106.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 24.4 Hz), 97.2 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 25.4 Hz), 62.7, 58.3, 53.3, 49.8, 35.1, 33.7, 19.4, 19.3.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₅H₂₉FN₃O ([M+H]⁺) 406.2289, found 406.2289.



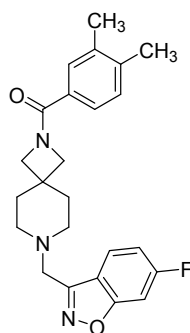
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The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure A**. Crude product was dissolved in DMSO (1 mL) and purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(6)** (12.5 mg, 0.03 mmol, 52% yield) as a white solid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 7.88 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.34 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.17 (m, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (ddd, *J* = 9.5, 8.8, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 2H), 3.76 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 2H), 2.24-2.40 (m, 10H), 1.69 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 4H). Note: Indazole NH does not appear in this solvent.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 169.1, 161.3 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 241.0 Hz), 142.7, 141.0 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 13.0 Hz), 139.4, 136.3, 130.8, 129.3, 128.8, 125.3, 122.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 11.1 Hz), 119.2, 109.3 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 26.0 Hz), 95.4 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 25.9 Hz), 62.7, 58.2, 54.6, 50.0, 35.0, 33.4, 19.3, 19.3.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₄H₂₈FN₄O ([M+H]⁺) 407.2240, found 407.2242.



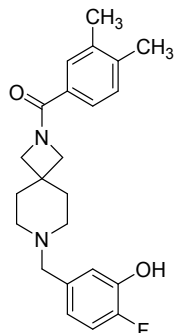
(3,4-dimethylphenyl)(7-((6-fluoro-1,2-benzoxazol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (7):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure A**. Crude product was dissolved in DMSO (1 mL) and purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(7)** (8.7 mg, 0.02 mmol, 36% yield) as a clear glass.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 8.03 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.36 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (s, 2H), 3.88 (s, 2H), 3.70 (s, 2H), 2.30 (s, 2H), 2.43-2.25 (m, 7H), 1.72 (t, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 4H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 169.1, 163.7 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 247.8 Hz), 163.0 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 14.3 Hz), 156.2, 139.5, 136.3, 130.8, 129.3, 128.8, 125.3, 124.4 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 11.3 Hz), 118.1, 112.7 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 25.3 Hz), 97.2 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 27.3 Hz), 62.6, 58.2, 51.9, 50.0, 34.9, 33.2, 19.3, 19.3.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₄H₂₇FN₃O₂ ([M+H]⁺) 408.2081, found 408.2082.



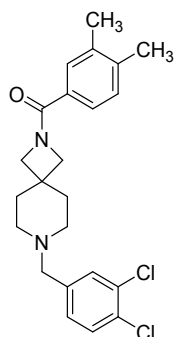
(3,4-dimethylphenyl)(7-((4-fluoro-3-hydroxyphenyl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (8):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure A**. Crude product was dissolved in DMSO (1 mL) and purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(8)** (10 mg, 0.03 mmol, 44% yield) as a clear glass.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 9.71 (br. s, 1H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (dd, *J* = 11.3, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 4.4, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 2H), 3.29 (s, 2H), 2.29-2.24 (m, 10H), 1.69 – 1.67 (m, 4H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 169.1, 150.0 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 239.4 Hz), 144.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 12.2 Hz), 139.5, 136.3, 135.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.2 Hz), 130.8, 129.3, 128.8, 125.3, 119.3 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 6.4 Hz), 117.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.0 Hz), 115.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 18.0 Hz), 62.7, 61.5, 58.2, 49.8, 35.0, 33.5, 19.4, 19.3.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₃H₂₈FN₂O₂ ([M+H]⁺) 417.1495, found 383.2129.



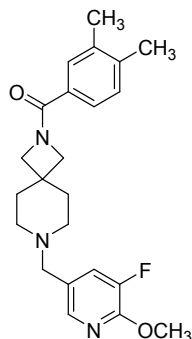
(7-(3,4-dichlorobenzyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)(3,4-dimethylphenyl)methanone (9):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure A**. Crude product was dissolved in DMSO (1 mL) and purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(9)** (13.4 mg, 0.03mmol, 54% yield) as a yellow glass.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (s, 2H), 3.70 (s, 2H), 3.45 (s, 2H), 2.33-2.24 (m, 10H), 1.70 (t, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 4H).

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$): δ 169.1, 139.5, 136.3, 130.8, 130.8, 130.4, 130.4, 129.4, 129.3, 129.0, 128.8, 125.3, 62.6, 60.4, 58.2, 49.7, 34.8, 33.4, 19.3, 19.3.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{27}\text{Cl}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 417.1495, found 417.1494.



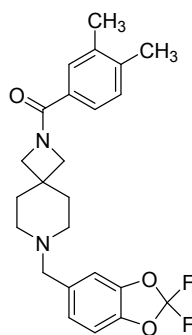
(3,4-dimethylphenyl)(7-((5-fluoro-6-methoxypyridin-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (10):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure A**. Crude product was dissolved in DMSO (1 mL) and purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH_4OH , 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated and purified once more via a Teledyne ISCO Combi-Flash system (liquid loading, 4G column, 0-10% MeOH/DCM) to give **(10)** (10.2 mg, 0.03 mmol, 43% yield) as a clear glass.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$): δ 7.86 (d, $J = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.55 (dd, $J = 11.3, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, $J = 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.34 (dd, $J = 7.8, 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.96 (s, 2H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 3.69 (s, 2H), 3.42 (s, 2H), 2.33-2.24 (m, 10H), 1.69 (t, $J = 5.5$ Hz, 4H).

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$): δ 169.1, 151.7 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 11.3$ Hz), 146.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 257.0$ Hz), 141.2, 139.5, 136.3, 130.8, 129.3, 128.8, 125.3, 124.2 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 14.4$ Hz), 62.6, 58.2, 57.9, 53.5, 49.5, 34.7, 33.4, 19.3, 19.3.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{29}\text{FN}_3\text{O}_2$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 398.2238, found 398.2238.



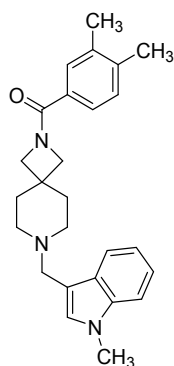
(7-((2,2-difluorobenzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)(3,4-dimethylphenyl)methanone (11):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure A**. Crude product was dissolved in DMSO (1 mL) and purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(11)** (11.4 mg, 0.03 mmol, 45% yield) as a clear glass.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 7.41 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (s, 2H), 3.70 (s, 2H), 3.44 (s, 2H), 2.33-2.24 (m, 10H), 1.69 (t, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 4H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 169.1, 142.8, 141.6, 139.5, 136.3, 135.7, 130.8, 129.9 (t, *J*_{C-F} = 252.2 Hz), 129.3, 128.8, 125.3, 124.5, 110.2, 109.6, 62.7, 61.3, 58.2, 49.7, 34.9, 33.5, 19.3, 19.3.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₄H₂₇F₂N₂O ([M+H]⁺) 429.1984, found 429.1982.



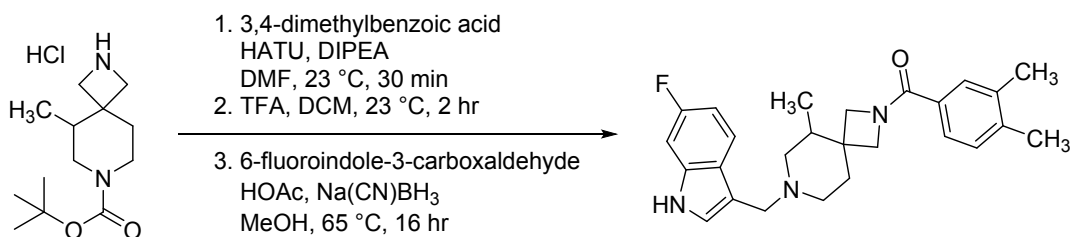
(3,4-dimethylphenyl)(7-[(1-methylindol-3-yl)methyl]-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (12):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure A**. Crude product was dissolved in DMSO (1 mL) and purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fraction containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(12)** (9.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 38% yield) as a clear glass.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 7.62 (dt, *J* = 7.9, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.40 – 7.32 (m, 3H), 7.18 (t, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 7.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (ddd, *J* = 7.9, 7.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.68 (s, 2H), 3.55 (s, 2H), 2.40-2.24 (m, 10H), 1.67 (t, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 4H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 169.1, 139.4, 136.7, 136.3, 130.8, 129.3, 128.79, 128.76, 127.9, 125.3, 121.0, 119.2, 118.5, 110.3, 109.5, 62.7, 58.3, 53.1, 49.8, 35.1, 33.6, 32.3, 19.34, 19.28.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₆H₃₂N₃O ([M+H]⁺) 402.2541, found 402.2540.



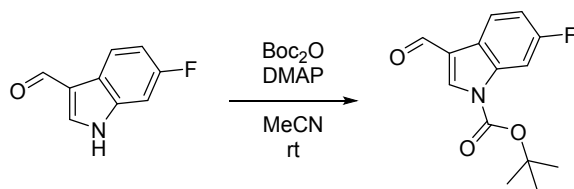
(3,4-dimethylphenyl)(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-5-methyl-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (13): To a test tube was added 3,4-dimethylbenzoic acid (27.5 mg, 0.18 mmol) and HATU (65.8 mg, 0.17 mmol), which were dissolved in anhydrous *N,N*-dimethylformamide (0.25 mL), followed by the addition of *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (75.5 μ L, 0.43 mmol). The solution was stirred at room temperature for 10 minutes. At this time, a solution of *tert*-butyl 5-methyl-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonane-7-carboxylate hydrochloride (40.0 mg, 0.14 mmol) and *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (75.5 μ L, 0.43 mmol) in anhydrous *N,N*-dimethylformamide (0.25 mL) was added, and the solution was stirred at room temperature for 4.6 hours. The reaction was quenched with AQ NaHCO₃ and extracted 3x with DCM. The organic layers were combined and concentrated. This crude residue was dissolved in anhydrous DCM (1 mL) and cooled to 0 °C before the addition of trifluoroacetic acid (750 μ L, 9.79 mmol). The reaction was allowed to slowly warm to room temperature. After 4.9 hours, the reaction was quenched with 2N NaOH and extracted with three portions of 3:1 CHCl₃:IPA. The organic layers were passed through a phase separator and concentrated. To a vial containing crude amine from the previous step was added 6-fluoro-1H-indole-3-carbaldehyde (25.7 mg, 0.16 mmol), anhydrous methanol (1 mL), and acetic acid (10.0 μ L, 0.17 mmol). The solution was then stirred at room temperature for 12 minutes before the addition of sodium cyanoborohydride (18.6 mg, 0.30 mmol). The reaction was heated to 65 °C and stirred overnight. After 15.25 hours, the reaction was cooled to room temperature, quenched with AQ K₂CO₃, extracted 3x with DCM, and concentrated. The crude material was purified via RP-HPLC (Basic Gilson, 5-95% ACN in H₂O w/ 0.5 mL/L NH₄OH, medium column), then automated flash column chromatography (ISCO, 12 g column, 0-15% MeOH in DCM, solid loading) to afford **(13)** (17.3 mg, 41.2 μ mol, 29% yield over 3 steps) as a clear glass.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 7.58 (appt. ddd, *J* = 8.7, 6.7, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.34 (appt. ddd, *J* = 7.4, 5.0, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.04 (appt. dt, *J* = 9.9, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (m, 1H), 4.11 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 4.02 – 3.86 (m, 2H), 3.76 – 3.61 (m, 3H), 2.95 – 2.51 (br. m, 2H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.34 – 2.09 (br. m, 1H, partially buried), 2.02 – 1.68 (m, 4H), 0.99 (appt. dd, *J* = 6.4, 5.5 Hz, 3H). Note: Several peaks exhibit higher multiplicity than they should, presumably due to slowly interconverting conformations. These peaks are annotated with “appt.” for “apparent” multiplicities.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 172.4, 161.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 235.3 Hz), 141.7, 138.2, 137.9 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 12.6 Hz), 131.6, 131.5, 130.7, 129.9, 126.6, 126.4 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 2.7 Hz), 126.0, 120.7 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 10.1 Hz), 111.1, 108.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 24.7 Hz), 98.2 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 25.9 Hz), 62.5, 57.7, 57.7, 53.9, 51.1, 51.0, 38.6, 38.6, 36.7, 19.8, 19.7, 13.2.

Note: Based on 2-D NMR experiments, the broad peak at 57.7 ppm corresponds to two distinct carbons. Additionally, due to the fluxional, asymmetric nature of the spirocycle, the peaks at 51.1 and 51.0 ppm correspond to only one carbon, as do the peaks at 38.6 and 38.6 ppm. The peaks at 131.6 and 131.5 ppm also correspond to a single quaternary carbon on the dimethylphenyl ring, which likely appear as distinct peaks due to the slow interconversion between spirocycle conformers and amide rotamers.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₆H₃₁FN₃O ([M+H]⁺) 420.2446, found 420.2444.



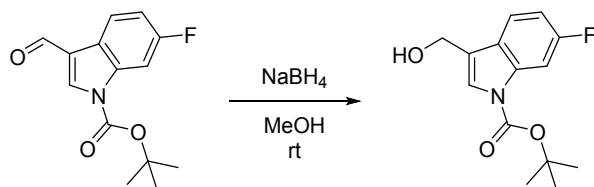
Tert-butyl 6-fluoro-3-formyl-1H-indole-1-carboxylate (35): To a vial was added 6-fluoro-1H-indole-3-carbaldehyde (202.5 mg, 1.24 mmol) and 4-dimethylaminopyridine (15.5 mg, 0.127 mmol), which were dissolved in anhydrous MeCN (1.7 mL). To the solution was added di-*tert*-butyl decarbonate (310 μ L, 1.35 mmol). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 50 minutes, then quenched with AQ NaHCO₃ and extracted with 3 portions of DCM. The organic layers were combined and concentrated. The crude material was purified via automated flash column chromatography (0-25% EtOAc in hexanes) to afford **(35)** (283.5 mg, 1.08 mmol, 87% yield) as a light-yellow solid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 10.07 (s, 1H), 8.69 (s, 1H), 8.15 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (ddd, *J* = 9.5, 8.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 1.66 (s, 9H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 187.1, 160.6 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 240.1 Hz), 148.1, 138.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.1 Hz), 135.6 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 13.0 Hz), 122.7 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 10.0 Hz), 122.2, 120.4, 112.7 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 23.8 Hz), 102.2 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 28.6 Hz), 86.1, 27.5.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₁₀H₇FNO₃ ([M-C(CH₃)₃+H]⁺) 208.0404, found 208.0406.

Note: ¹H spectrum aligns with literature.² No ¹³C{¹H} data reported.

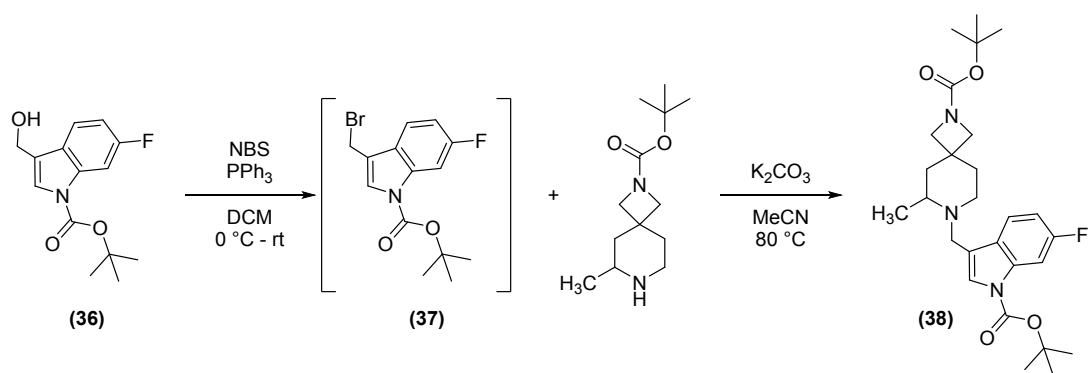


Tert-butyl 6-fluoro-3-(hydroxymethyl)-1H-indole-1-carboxylate (36): To a vial containing **35** (282.9 mg, 1.07 mmol) was added anhydrous methanol (4.2 mL), followed by sodium borohydride (80.7 mg, 2.13 mmol). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 21 minutes, then quenched with brine and extracted 3x with DCM. The organic layers were combined and concentrated to afford **(36)** (273 mg, 1.029 mmol, 96% yield) as a clear residue. Product was pure and required no further purification.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 7.82 (dd, *J* = 10.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.02 (ddd, *J* = 9.4, 8.7, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 2H), 1.67 (s, 9H). Note: Hydroxyl OH peak is not observed in this solvent.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 162.4 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 238.8 Hz), 150.8, 137.4 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 12.9 Hz), 127.19, 124.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.8 Hz), 122.2, 121.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 10.0 Hz), 111.6 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 24.4 Hz), 103.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 28.8 Hz), 85.3, 56.9, 28.3.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₁₀H₇FNO₃ ([M-OC(CH₃)₃]⁺) 192.0455, found 192.0456.

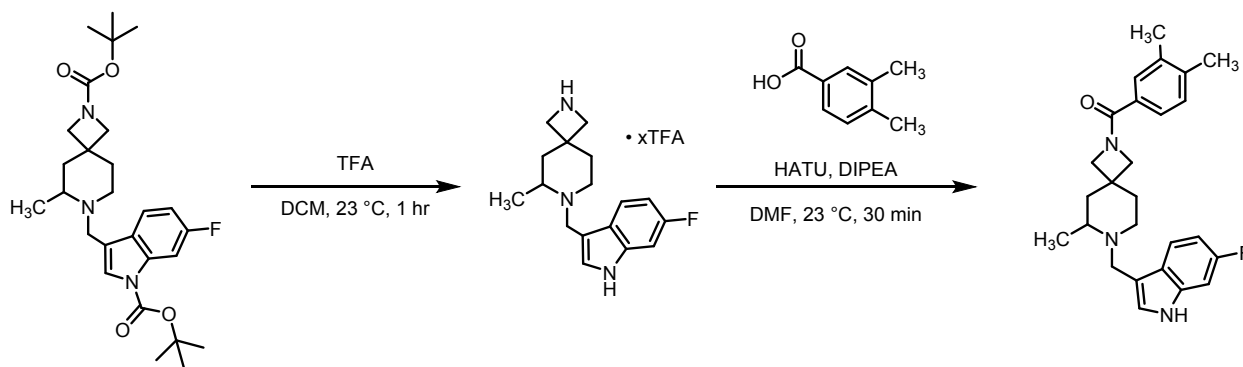


***Tert*-butyl 7-((1-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-6-fluoro-1*H*-indol-3-yl)methyl)-6-methyl-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonane-2-carboxylate (38):** To a vial containing (36) (270.7 mg, 1.02 mmol) was added anhydrous DCM (5 mL). The solution was cooled to 0 °C, then triphenylphosphine (325.1 mg, 1.24 mmol) was added. The solution was stirred at 0 °C for 30 minutes, then *N*-bromosuccinimide (239.8 mg, 1.35 mmol) was added. The solution was allowed to warm to room temperature, after which it was stirred for a further 70 minutes. The reaction was then diluted with DCM, washed with AQ NaHCO₃, and concentrated to afford (37) as a red oil. To a separate vial was then added *tert*-butyl 6-methyl-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonane-2-carboxylate (204.1 mg, 0.85 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (432 mL, 3.08 mmol), followed by anhydrous MeCN (3.5 mL). To this mixture was then added a solution of fresh (37) in anhydrous MeCN (3.5 mL). The mixture was heated to 80 °C for 55 minutes, then cooled to room temperature and quenched with 2 mL AQ NaHCO₃. The organic layer was separated, and the AQ layer was extracted 3x with DCM. All organic layers were combined and concentrated. The crude material was dry loaded onto celite and purified via automated flash column chromatography (Teledyne ISCO, 0-15% MeOH in DCM) to afford (38) (229.7 mg, 0.417 mmol, 55% yield) as a red-gold oil.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 7.81 (dd, *J* = 10.3, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (s, 1H), 7.00 (m, 1H), 4.16 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 3.69 – 3.48 (m, 3H), 3.26 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (dt, *J* = 12.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 2.32 – 2.20 (m, 1H), 1.93 (td, *J* = 12.3, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 1.86 (dt, *J* = 13.3, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 1.69 (m, 1H, partially buried), 1.67 (s, 9H), 1.63 – 1.48 (m, 2H), 1.42 (s, 9H), 1.29 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 3H), 1.28 (m, 1H, partially buried).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 162.3 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 238.9 Hz), 158.3, 150.7, 137.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 13.0 Hz), 128.4 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 1.5 Hz), 126.3 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.8 Hz), 121.9 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 9.9 Hz), 118.3, 111.6 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 24.4 Hz), 103.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 28.7 Hz), 85.4, 80.9, 61.3, 60.2, 59.2, 55.3, 50.1, 45.0, 36.1, 34.9, 28.6, 28.3, 20.6.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₇H₃₉FN₃O₄ ([M+H]⁺) 488.2919, found 488.2926.



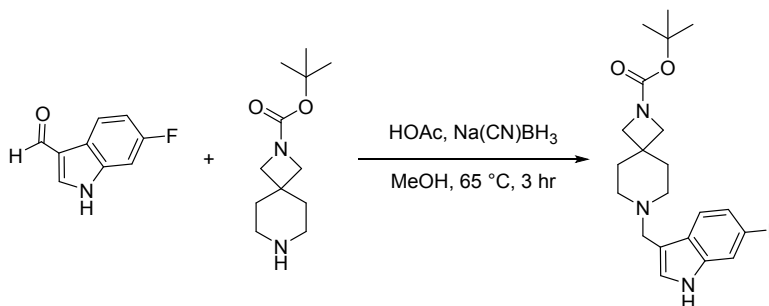
(3,4-dimethylphenyl)(7-((6-fluoro-1*H*-indol-3-yl)methyl)-6-methyl-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (14): In a vial, **(38)** (105 mg, 0.27 mmol) in dichloromethane (1 mL) was cooled to 0 °C before the addition of trifluoroacetic acid (0.5 mL, 6.53 mmol). The reaction was then warmed to room temperature and stirred for 1 hour. At this time the reaction was made concentrated to afford the TFA salt of **(39)** (0.185 g, 0.29 mmol, >98% yield) as a clear syrup, which was taken directly to the next step without purification. Then, HATU (14.0 mg, 0.04 mmol) and 3,4-dimethylbenzoic acid (5.6 mg, 0.04 mmol) were added to a vial and dissolved in DMF (0.5 mL), followed by addition of *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (25.7 μ L, 0.15 mmol). The solution was stirred at room temperature for 10 minutes. At this time, **(39)** (15.5 mg, 0.02 mmol) in DMF (0.5 mL) was added, and the solution was stirred for an additional 30 minutes at which point LCMS indicated full conversion. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH_4OH , 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were purified once more via Teledyne Isco combi-flash system (liquid loading, 4g column, 0-10% MeOH/DCM) to give **(14)** (4.4 mg, 0.011 mmol, 43% yield) as a clear glass.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, $\text{MeOH-}d_4$): δ 7.60 (appt. td, $J = 8.7, 5.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.33 (appt. ddd, $J = 7.7, 3.7, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.26 (appt. d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.19 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.06 (appt. ddd, $J = 9.8, 4.1, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.84 (appt. tdd, $J = 9.2, 5.5, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d, $J = 13.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.10 – 3.94 (m, 2H), 3.89 – 3.75 (m, 2H), 3.64 (m, 1H), 3.03 (appt. d, $J = 11.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.62 – 2.39 (m, 1H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.19 (m, 1H), 1.99 (appt. d, $J = 13.4$ Hz, 1H), 1.87 (m, 1H), 1.77 – 1.53 (m, 2H), 1.40 (appt. dd, $J = 5.7, 3.4$ Hz, 3H). Note: Several peaks exhibit higher multiplicity than they should, presumably due to slowly interconverting conformations. These peaks are annotated with “appt.” for “apparent” multiplicities. The peaks at 3.03 and 1.99 ppm are also denoted as such, but in this case they exhibit lesser multiplicity.

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, $\text{MeOH-}d_4$): δ 172.6, 172.6, 161.2 (d, $J = 235.6$ Hz), 141.7, 138.1, 137.8 (d, $J = 12.9$ Hz), 131.6, 130.6, 129.9, 127.1, 126.5, 126.5, 126.1, 120.6 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz), 109.8, 108.7 (d, $J = 24.8$ Hz), 98.3 (d, $J = 25.9$ Hz), 64.8, 63.9, 60.2, 59.3, 55.1, 54.9, 49.5, 48.5, 44.2, 35.3, 20.2, 19.8, 19.7. Note: Based on 2-D NMR experiments, the following peak pairs correspond to a single carbon: 172.58 and 172.56 ppm (carbonyl); 126.51 and 126.46 ppm (*-CH ortho* to amide); 64.8 and 63.9 ppm (azetidine *-CH₂*); 60.2 and 59.3 ppm (azetidine *-CH₂*); and 55.1 and 54.9 ppm (piperidine *-CH*). These peaks appear split due to slow interconversion between conformers, as well as slow conversion between amide rotamers. The peaks at 49.5 ppm (piperidine C6) and 48.5 ppm

(benzylic $-CH_2$) were assigned via HSQC as they were buried under the MeOD- d_4 signal. Finally, the spirocycle quaternary carbon was not directly observed as a peak or via 2-D experiments. Based on the chemical shift of the analogous carbon in compound (37), this peak could be buried under the peak at 35.3 ppm.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $C_{26}H_{31}FN_3O$ ($[M+H]^+$) 420.2446, found 420.2442.



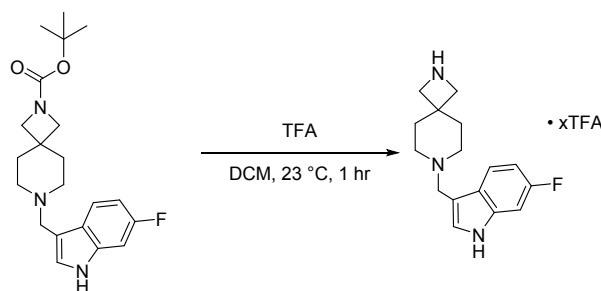
***Tert*-butyl 7-((6-fluoro-1*H*-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonane-2-carboxylate (15):**

In a vial *tert*-butyl 2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonane-2-carboxylate (166.5 mg, 0.74 mmol), and 6-fluoroindole-3-carboxaldehyde (100 mg, 0.61 mmol) were dissolved in methanol (3 mL), followed by the addition of acetic acid (38.6 μ L, 0.67 mmol) and sodium cyanoborohydride (77.0 mg, 1.23 mmol). The vial was sealed, and the reaction was heated to 65 °C and stirred for three hours. The reaction mixture was then cooled to room temperature and made concentrated before quenching with saturated sodium bicarbonate and extracting with ethyl acetate (x3). Organics were passed through a phase separator, made concentrated, and purified using Teledyne ISCO Combi-Flash system (solid loading, 40G column, 0-10% MeOH/DCM) to give (15) (198.1 mg, 0.53 mmol, 87% yield) as a white solid.

1H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD- d_4): δ 7.57 (dd, J = 8.7, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 7.04 (dd, J = 9.9, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (ddd, J = 9.7, 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (s, 2H), 3.62-3.52 (m, 4H), 2.66-2.22 (br. m, 4H), 1.75 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 4H), 1.42 (s, 9H).

$^{13}C\{^1H\}$ NMR (101 MHz, MeOD- d_4): δ 161.1 (d, J_{C-F} = 235.1 Hz), 158.3, 137.8 (d, J_{C-F} = 12.5 Hz), 126.6 (d, J_{C-F} = 3.4 Hz), 126.1, 120.6 (d, J_{C-F} = 10.1 Hz), 111.4, 108.4 (d, J_{C-F} = 24.7 Hz), 98.1 (d, J_{C-F} = 25.9 Hz), 80.9, 60.6, 59.4, 53.9, 51.1, 36.0, 34.3, 28.6.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $C_{21}H_{29}FN_3O_2$ ($[M+H]^+$) 374.2238, found 374.2245.



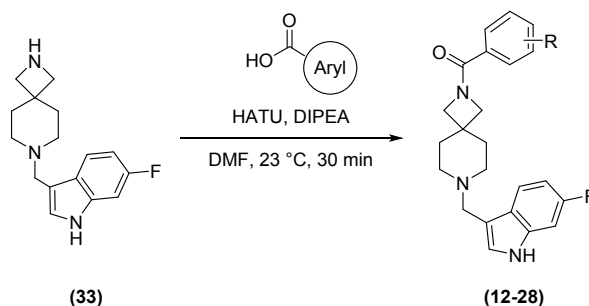
7-((6-fluoro-1*H*-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonane trifluoroacetic acid (16):

In a vial, **(15)** (0.458 g, 1.23 mmol) in dichloromethane (3 mL) was cooled to 0 °C before the addition of trifluoroacetic acid (1.0 mL, 13.06 mmol). The reaction was then warmed to room temperature and stirred for 1 hour. At this time the reaction was made concentrated and used as the TFA salt without any further purification. **(16)** (781 mg, 1.27 mmol, > 98% yield) was obtained as a clear syrup.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) δ : 9.63 (br. s, 1H), 8.95 (br. s, 2H), 7.75 (dd, $J = 8.7, 5.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, $J = 2.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.23 (dd, $J = 10.0, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.01 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 4.39 (d, $J = 4.6$ Hz, 2H), 3.83 (t, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.72 (t, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.36 (d, $J = 12.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.97 (q, $J = 11.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.17 (d, $J = 14.10$ Hz, 2H), 1.84 – 1.76 (m, 2H).

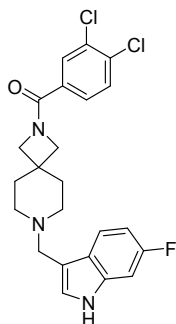
$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$) δ : 159.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 235.3$ Hz), 158.5 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 35.1$ Hz), 135.9 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 12.8$ Hz), 129.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.2$ Hz), 124.3, 119.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10.2$ Hz), 116.1 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 293.4$ Hz), 108.2 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 24.5$ Hz), 102.9, 97.9 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 25.6$ Hz), 54.1, 53.6, 50.2, 47.5, 34.6, 30.8.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{21}\text{FN}_3$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 274.1714, found 274.1718.



General Procedure B:

In a vial, HATU (1.6 equiv.) and a benzoic acid (1.6 equiv.) were dissolved in DMF (0.5 mL), followed by the addition of *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (3.8 equiv) and stirring at room temperature for 10 minutes. At this time, **(33)** (1 equiv.) in DMF (0.5 mL) was added, and the solution was stirred for an additional 30 minutes. Crude product was then purified either using Reverse phase HPLC (Gilson) or normal phase silica gel chromatography (ISCO).



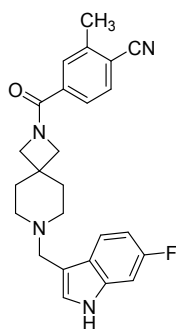
(3,4-dichlorophenyl)(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (17):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). The fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(17)** (7.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 50% yield) as a clear glass.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 7.81 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.59 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 7.04 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (ddd, *J* = 9.7, 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.04 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 2H), 2.70 – 2.21 (br. m, 4H), 1.82 (t, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 4H). Note: Indole *NH* not observed.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 169.5, 161.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 235.0 Hz), 137.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 12.5 Hz), 136.4, 134.5, 133.8, 131.8, 131.1, 128.6, 126.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.4 Hz), 126.1, 120.6 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 10.2 Hz), 111.4, 108.4 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 24.8 Hz), 98.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 25.9 Hz), 64.2, 59.9, 53.9, 51.0, 35.9, 35.1.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₃H₂₃Cl₂FN₃O ([M+H]⁺) 446.1197, found 446.1194.



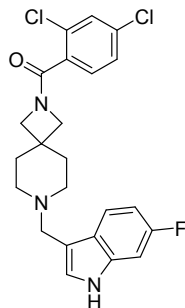
4-(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonane-2-carbonyl)-2-methylbenzonitrile (18):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(18)** (9.4 mg, 0.02 mmol, 69% yield) as a clear glass.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (m, 1H), 7.60 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 7.04 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (ddd, *J* = 9.7, 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.00 (s, 2H), 3.84 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 2H), 2.67 - 2.28 (br. m, 4H), 2.56 (s, 3H), 1.82 (t, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 4H). Note: Indole *NH* not observed.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 170.5, 161.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 235.2 Hz), 143.7, 138.4, 137.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 12.5 Hz), 133.8, 130.5, 126.8, 126.6 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.5 Hz), 126.1, 120.6 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 10.1 Hz), 118.2, 116.1, 111.4, 108.4 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 24.8 Hz), 98.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 25.8 Hz), 64.0, 59.8, 53.9, 51.0, 35.9, 35.1, 20.4.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₅H₂₆FN₄O ([M+H]⁺) 417.2085, found 417.2084.

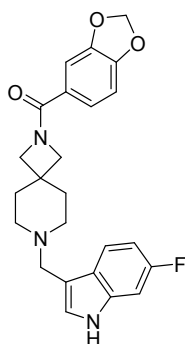


(2,4-dichlorophenyl)(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (19):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH_4OH , 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(19)** (6.2 mg, 0.01 mmol, 43% yield) as a clear glass.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, $\text{MeOD-}d_4$): δ 7.60 – 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.43 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 7.03 (dd, $J = 9.9, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.80 (ddd, $J = 9.7, 8.8, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.84 (s, 2H), 3.67 (s, 2H), 3.64 (s, 2H), 2.64 – 2.28 (br. m, 4H), 1.88 – 1.74 (m, 4H). Note: Indole NH not observed.
 $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, $\text{MeOD-}d_4$): δ 169.3, 161.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 235.3$ Hz), 137.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 12.5$ Hz), 137.5, 133.8, 132.6, 130.8, 130.7, 129.0, 126.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.4$ Hz), 126.1, 120.6 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10.1$ Hz), 111.5, 108.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 24.8$ Hz), 98.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 25.9$ Hz), 61.8, 59.2, 53.9, 51.0, 35.8, 35.1.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{Cl}_2\text{FN}_3\text{O}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 446.1195, found 446.1197.



Benzo[d][1,3]dioxol-5-yl(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (20):

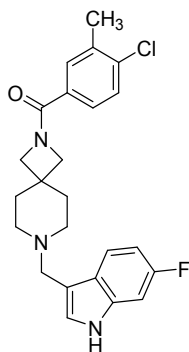
The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH_4OH , 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(20)** (9.7 mg, 0.02 mmol, 71% yield) as a white solid.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, $\text{MeOD-}d_4$): δ 7.60 (dd, $J = 8.7, 5.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.25 (s, 1H), 7.20 (dd, $J = 8.1, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, $J = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.06 (dd, $J = 9.9, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 6.84 (ddd, J

= 9.6, 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.02 (s, 2H), 4.07 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 4H), 2.91 – 2.32 (m, 4H), 1.86 (t, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 4H). Note: Indole *NH* not observed.

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, MeOD- d_4): δ 171.6, 161.2 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 235.4$ Hz), 151.7, 149.3, 137.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 12.6$ Hz), 127.8, 127.2, 126.0, 124.1, 120.6 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10.2$ Hz), 109.1, 109.0, 108.7 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 24.9$ Hz), 103.2, 98.2 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 26.0$ Hz), 64.4, 59.7, 53.7, 50.9, 35.4, 34.8.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{25}\text{FN}_3\text{O}_3$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 422.1874, found 422.1880.



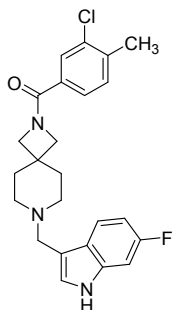
(3-chloro-4-methylphenyl)(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (21):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH_4OH , 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(21)** (8.4 mg, 0.02 mmol, 61% yield) as a clear glass.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD- d_4) δ : 7.60 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 7.04 (dd, $J = 9.9, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.80 (ddd, $J = 9.7, 8.8, 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.01 (s, 2H), 3.81 (s, 2H), 3.67 (s, 2H), 2.69 – 2.24 (br. m, 4H), 2.39 (m, 3H), 1.80 (t, $J = 5.4$ Hz, 4H). Note: Indole *NH* not observed.

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, MeOD- d_4) δ : 171.2, 161.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 235.2$ Hz), 138.4, 137.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 12.5$ Hz), 137.7, 132.9, 131.5, 130.2, 127.9, 126.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.3$ Hz), 126.1, 120.6 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10.2$ Hz), 111.4, 108.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 24.8$ Hz), 98.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 25.8$ Hz), 64.3, 59.8, 53.9, 51.1, 35.9, 35.1, 20.0.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{26}\text{ClFN}_3\text{O}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 426.1740, found 426.1743.



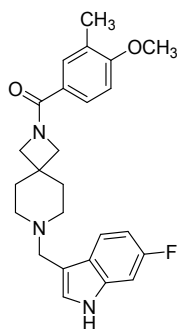
(4-chloro-3-methylphenyl)(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (22):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(22)** (8.8 mg, 0.02 mmol, 64% yield) as a clear glass.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 7.64 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 7.04 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (ddd, *J* = 9.7, 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.04 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 2H), 2.66 - 2.31 (br. m, 4H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.82 (t, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 4H). Note: Indole *NH* not observed.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 170.6, 161.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 235.2 Hz), 140.8, 137.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 12.4 Hz), 135.6, 133.5, 132.2, 129.5, 127.4, 126.6 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.3 Hz), 126.1, 120.7 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 10.2 Hz), 111.4, 108.4 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 24.8 Hz), 98.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 25.9 Hz), 64.3, 59.8, 53.9, 51.1, 35.9, 35.1, 20.1.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₄H₂₆ClFN₃O ([M+H]⁺) 426.1743, found 426.1739.



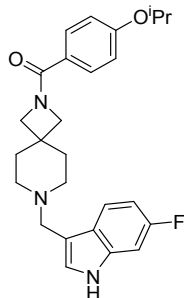
(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)(4-methoxy-3-methylphenyl)methanone (23):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated and were purified once more using Teledyne ISCO Combi-Flash system (liquid loading, 4G column, 0-10% MeOH/DCM) to give **(23)** (7.1 mg, 0.02 mmol, 52% yield) as a clear glass.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 7.58 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46 - 7.43 (m, 1H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 7.04 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (ddd, *J* = 9.7, 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.04 (s, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.81 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 2H), 2.66 - 2.27 (br. m, 4H), 2.20 (s, 3H), 1.80 (t, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 4H). Note: Indole -*NH* not observed.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 172.2, 161.7, 161.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 235.1 Hz), 137.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 12.5 Hz), 131.3, 128.7, 127.8, 126.6 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.5 Hz), 126.1, 125.6, 120.7 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 10.2 Hz), 111.4, 110.5, 108.4 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 24.8 Hz), 98.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 25.9 Hz), 64.6, 59.8, 56.0, 53.9, 51.1, 36.0, 35.0, 16.3.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₅H₂₉FN₃O₂ ([M+H]⁺) 422.2237, found 422.2238.



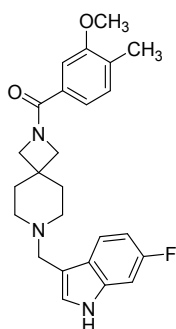
(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)(4-isopropoxyphenyl)methanone (24):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated and purified again via Teledyne ISCO Combi-Flash system (liquid loading, 4G column, 0-10% MeOH/DCM) to give **(24)** (7.8 mg, 0.02 mmol, 55% yield) as a clear glass.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 10.98 (s, 1H), 7.62 – 7.56 (m, 3H), 7.20 – 7.20 (m, 1H), 7.10 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.94 – 6.91 (m, 2H), 6.82 (ddd, *J* = 9.7, 8.6, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (s, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.97 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 2H), 3.57 (s, 2H), 2.42 – 2.30 (m, 4H), 1.68 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 4H), 1.27 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 6H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 168.5, 159.5, 158.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 233.8 Hz), 136.2, 136.0, 129.8, 125.0, 124.4, 120.1, 120.0, 114.9, 106.9 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 24.3 Hz), 97.2 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 25.5 Hz), 69.3, 62.8, 58.3, 53.2, 49.8, 35.0, 33.6, 21.7.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₆H₃₁FN₃O₂ ([M+H]⁺) 436.2393, found 436.2395.



(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)(3-methoxy-4-methylphenyl)methanone (25):

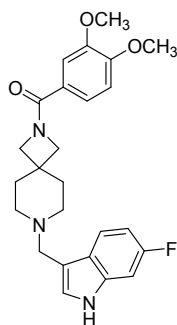
The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(25)** (8.6 mg, 0.02 mmol, 63% yield) as a clear glass.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 7.58 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 7.21 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 7.10 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (ddd, *J* = 9.7, 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s,

3H), 3.82 (s, 2H), 3.67 (s, 2H), 2.65 – 2.31 (br. m, 4H), 2.21 (s, 3H), 1.81 (t, $J = 5.3$ Hz, 4H). Note: Indole *NH* not observed.

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, MeOD- d_4): δ 172.3, 161.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 235.2$ Hz), 159.2, 137.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 12.5$ Hz), 132.8, 131.6, 131.3, 126.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.4$ Hz), 126.1, 120.9, 120.6 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10.1$ Hz), 111.4, 110.3, 108.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 24.7$ Hz), 98.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 26.0$ Hz), 64.5, 59.8, 55.9, 53.9, 51.1, 35.9, 35.1, 16.3.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{29}\text{FN}_3\text{O}_2$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 422.2238, found 422.2239.



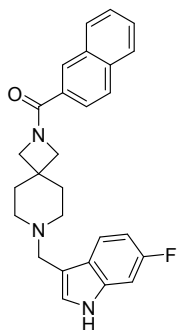
(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (26):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH_4OH , 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(26)** (10.9 mg, 0.02 mmol, 77% yield) as a clear glass.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD- d_4): δ 7.58 (dd, $J = 8.7, 5.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.27 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 7.04 (dd, $J = 9.9, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.00 – 6.96 (m, 1H), 6.81 (ddd, $J = 9.7, 8.8, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.07 (s, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.82 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 2H), 2.74 - 2.21 (br. m, 4H), 1.81 (t, $J = 5.3$ Hz, 4H). Note: Indole *NH* not observed.

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, MeOD- d_4): δ 171.8, 161.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 235.1$ Hz), 153.2, 150.3, 137.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 12.5$ Hz), 126.6 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.4$ Hz), 126.4, 126.1, 122.7, 120.7 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10.2$ Hz), 112.6, 111.9, 111.4, 108.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 24.7$ Hz), 98.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 25.9$ Hz), 64.7, 59.9, 56.5, 56.4, 53.9, 51.1, 35.9, 35.1.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{29}\text{FN}_3\text{O}_3$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 438.2184, found 438.2187.



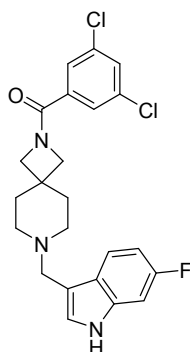
(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)naphthalen-2-yl)methanone (27):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(27)** (8.4 mg, 0.02 mmol, 60% yield) as a white solid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 8.18 – 8.15 (m, 1H), 7.99 – 7.87 (m, 3H), 7.70 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.61 – 7.52 (m, 3H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 7.04 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (ddd, *J* = 9.7, 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (s, 2H), 3.88 (s, 2H), 3.67 (s, 2H), 2.69 – 2.26 (br. m, 4H), 1.83 (t, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 4H). Note: Indole *NH* not observed.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 172.3, 161.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 235.2 Hz), 137.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 12.5 Hz), 136.0, 134.0, 131.4, 129.9, 129.4, 129.4, 128.9, 128.8, 127.9, 126.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.4 Hz), 126.1, 125.4, 120.7 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 10.2 Hz), 111.4, 108.4 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 24.7 Hz), 98.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 25.8 Hz), 64.4, 59.9, 53.9, 51.1, 35.9, 35.1.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₇H₂₇FN₃O ([M+H]⁺) 428.2131, found 428.2133.



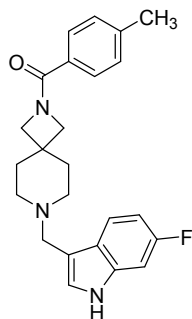
(3,5-dichlorophenyl)(7-[(6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl]-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (28):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(28)** (5.2 mg, 0.01 mmol, 36% yield) as a clear glass.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 7.60 – 7.55 (m, 4H), 7.18 (s, 1H), 7.04 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (ddd, *J* = 9.7, 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (s, 2H), 3.82 (s, 2H), 3.67 (s, 2H), 2.69 – 2.24 (br. m, 4H), 1.81 (t, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 4H). Note: Indole *NH* not observed.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 169.0, 161.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 235.1 Hz), 137.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 12.5 Hz), 137.5, 136.5, 132.0, 127.5, 126.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.4 Hz), 126.1, 120.7 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 10.2 Hz), 111.4, 108.4 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 24.8 Hz), 98.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 26.0 Hz), 64.0, 59.9, 53.9, 51.1, 35.8, 35.2.

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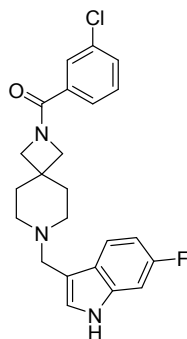
(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)(p-tolyl)methanone (29):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(29)** (8.3 mg, 0.02 mmol, 65% yield) as a clear glass.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 7.58 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.29 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 7.04 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (ddd, *J* = 9.7, 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (s, 2H), 3.82 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 2H), 2.64 – 2.28 (br. m, 4H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.81 (t, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 4H). Note: Indole *NH* not observed.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 172.3, 161.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 235.2 Hz), 143.1, 137.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 12.7 Hz), 131.2, 130.2, 129.0, 126.6 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.4 Hz), 126.1, 120.6 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 10.2 Hz), 111.3, 108.4 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 24.7 Hz), 98.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 26.0 Hz), 64.4, 59.7, 53.9, 51.1, 35.9, 35.0, 21.4.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₄H₂₇FN₃O ([M+H]⁺) 392.2132, found 392.2133.



(3-chlorophenyl)(7-[(6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl]-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)methanone (30):

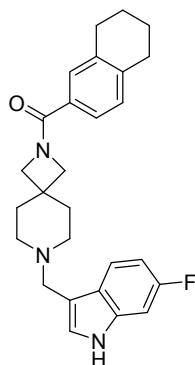
The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(30)** (6.7 mg, 0.02 mmol, 50% yield) as a white solid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 7.65 (m, 1H), 7.61 – 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.52 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 2.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 7.04 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (ddd, *J* = 9.7, 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.03

(s, 2H), 3.84 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 2H), 2.67 – 2.31 (br. m, 4H), 1.82 (t, $J = 5.3$ Hz, 4H). Note: Indole *NH* not observed.

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, MeOD- d_4): δ 170.6, 161.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 235.2$ Hz), 137.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 12.5$ Hz), 136.2, 135.7, 132.3, 131.3, 128.9, 127.2, 126.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.3$ Hz), 126.1, 120.7 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10.2$ Hz), 111.4, 108.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 24.7$ Hz), 98.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 26.0$ Hz), 64.2, 59.8, 53.9, 51.1, 35.9, 35.1.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{24}\text{ClFN}_3\text{O}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 412.1590, found 412.1586.



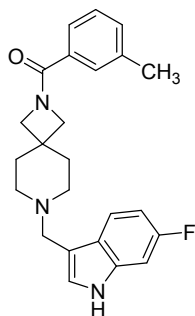
(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)(5,6,7,8-tetrahydronaphthalen-2-yl)methanone (31):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH_4OH , 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(31)** (8.9 mg, 0.02 mmol, 63% yield) as a clear glass.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD- d_4): δ 7.58 (dd, $J = 8.7, 5.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 7.14 – 7.08 (m, 1H), 7.06 – 7.01 (dd, $J = 10.0, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.81 (ddd, $J = 9.7, 8.8, 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.01 (s, 2H), 3.81 (s, 2H), 3.68 (s, 2H), 2.83 – 2.73 (m, 4H), 2.68 – 2.24 (br. m, 4H), 1.87 – 1.73 (m, 8H). Note: Indole *NH* not observed.

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, MeOD- d_4): δ 172.6, 161.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 235.1$ Hz), 142.1, 138.6, 137.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 12.5$ Hz), 131.2, 130.2, 129.6, 126.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.4$ Hz), 126.1, 126.0, 120.6 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10.2$ Hz), 111.4, 108.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 24.8$ Hz), 98.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 26.0$ Hz), 64.4, 59.7, 53.9, 51.1, 35.9, 35.0, 30.4, 30.3, 24.2, 24.1.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{31}\text{FN}_3\text{O}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 432.2446, found 432.2446.



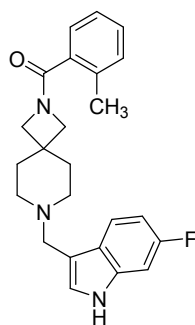
(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)(3-methylphenyl)methanone (32):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure B**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(32)** (7.4 mg, 0.02 mmol, 58% yield) as a white solid.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 7.59 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.21 (s, 1H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 2.3, 1H), 6.82 (ddd, *J* = 9.7, 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (s, 2H), 3.84 (s, 2H), 3.75 (s, 2H), 2.80 – 2.30 (br. m, 4H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.84 (t, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 4H). Note: Indole -NH not observed.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄): δ 172.6, 161.2 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 235.2 Hz), 139.7, 137.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 12.4 Hz), 134.1, 133.0, 129.5, 129.3, 126.8 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.7 Hz), 126.0, 125.9, 120.6 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 10.2 Hz), 110.9, 108.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 24.8 Hz), 98.2 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 26.0 Hz), 64.2, 59.7, 53.8, 51.0, 35.7, 34.9, 21.3.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₄H₂₇FN₃O ([M+H]⁺) 392.2133, found 392.2137.



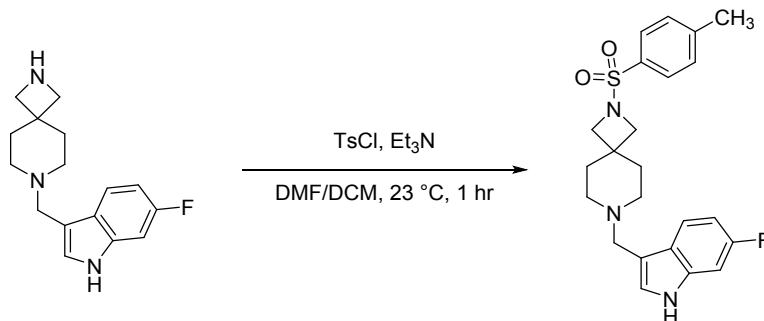
(7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonan-2-yl)(2-methylphenyl)methanone (33):

The compound was synthesized by following **General Procedure A**. Crude product was purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 15-75% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH₄OH, 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated to give **(33)** (8.7 mg, 0.02 mmol, 68% yield) as a clear glass.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄) δ: 7.62 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.36 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.30 – 7.19 (m, 3H), 7.09 (dd, *J* = 9.8, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (m, 1H), 4.02 (s, 2H), 3.88 (s, 2H), 3.66 (s, 2H), 3.00 – 2.59 (m, 4H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 1.99 – 1.83 (m, 4H). Note: Indole NH not observed.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (101 MHz, MeOD-*d*₄) δ: 173.7, 161.3 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 236.0 Hz), 137.9 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 12.5 Hz), 136.3, 134.8, 131.9, 131.0, 128.2 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.4 Hz), 127.6, 126.9, 125.7, 120.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 10.1 Hz), 109.1 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 25.0 Hz), 108.1, 98.5 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 25.9 Hz), 61.9, 58.7, 53.3, 50.6, 34.5, 34.1, 19.3.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula C₂₄H₂₇FN₃O ([M+H]⁺) 392.2133, found 392.2137.



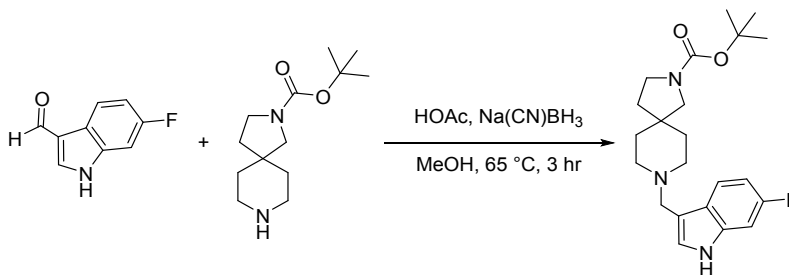
7-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2-tosyl-2,7-diazaspiro[3.5]nonane (34):

To a test tube was added tosyl chloride (96.4 mg, 0.51 mmol) and DCM (1.5 mL), followed by triethylamine (232 μ L, 1.66 mmol). To the mixture was added a solution of **(16)** (91.1 mg, 0.33 mmol) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (540 μ L). The solution was stirred at room temperature for 1 hour, then quenched with 0.5 mL aqueous potassium carbonate and diluted with 1 mL of brine. The mixture was extracted with dichloromethane (x3). Organic layers were combined, concentrated, and purified via automated flash column chromatography (ISCO, 0-15% MeOH/DCM, 24g column) to afford **(34)** (13.2 mg, 0.03 mmol, 9% yield) as a clear residue.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, MeOD- d_4): δ 7.73 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.53 (dd, J = 8.8, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.15 (s, 1H), 7.02 (dd, J = 9.9, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (ddd, J = 9.7, 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (s, 2H), 3.44 (s, 4H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.53 – 2.12 (m, 4H), 1.49 (t, J = 5.6 Hz, 4H). Note: Indole *NH* not observed.

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, MeOD- d_4): δ 161.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 235.2 Hz), 145.8, 137.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 12.5 Hz), 132.5, 130.9, 129.6, 126.6 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 3.4 Hz), 126.0, 120.6 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 10.2 Hz), 111.2, 108.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 24.7 Hz), 98.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}}$ = 25.9 Hz), 61.4, 53.8, 50.7, 35.7, 33.9, 21.5.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{27}\text{FN}_3\text{O}_2\text{S}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 428.1803, found 428.1808.



Tert-butyl 8-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]decane-2-carboxylate (40):

In a vial, tert-butyl 2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]decane-2-carboxylate (176.8 mg, 0.74 mmol), and 6-fluoroindole-3-carboxaldehyde (100 mg, 0.61 mmol) were dissolved in methanol (3 mL) followed by the addition of acetic acid (35.1 μ L, 0.61 mmol) and sodium cyanoborohydride (77.0 mg, 1.23 mmol). The vial was sealed, and the reaction was heated to 65 °C and stirred overnight. The reaction mixture was then cooled to room temperature and made concentrated, before quenching with saturated sodium bicarbonate and extracting with ethyl acetate (x3). Organics were passed through a phase separator, made concentrated, and purified using Teledyne ISCO Combi-flash

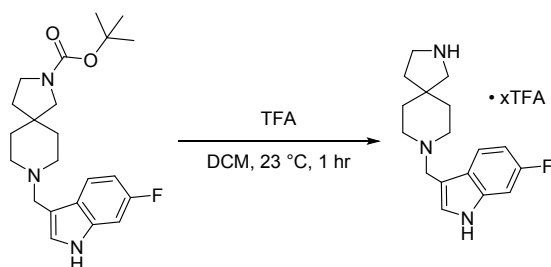
system (liquid loading, 40g column, 0-10% MeOH/DCM; elution occurs at 10%) to give **(40)** (113.4 mg, 0.29 mmol, 48% yield) as an off-white solid.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.67 (d, $J = 68.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.62 (ddd, $J = 13.7, 8.6, 5.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.10 – 7.07 (m, 1H), 7.02 (dd, $J = 9.7, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 6.88 (td, $J = 9.2, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.71 (s, 2H), 3.35 (dt, $J = 22.0, 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.20 (s, 1H), 3.14 (s, 1H), 2.63 – 2.33 (m, 4H), 1.67 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 1.58 (q, $J = 5.4, 4.8$ Hz, 4H), 1.46 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 9H).

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 160.0 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 237.4$ Hz), 155.0, 136.2 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 12.4$ Hz), 124.7 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 7.8$ Hz), 124.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 16.2$ Hz), 120.3, 120.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 18.5$ Hz), 112.6, 112.0, 108.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 24.4$ Hz), 97.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 25.9$ Hz), 79.34, 79.31, 53.8, 53.5, 51.0, 50.8, 44.4, 44.1, 40.6, 39.7, 34.8, 28.7.

Note: The higher than expected number of carbon peaks is presumably due to slowly interconverting conformations.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{31}\text{FN}_3\text{O}_2$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 388.2395, found 388.2398.



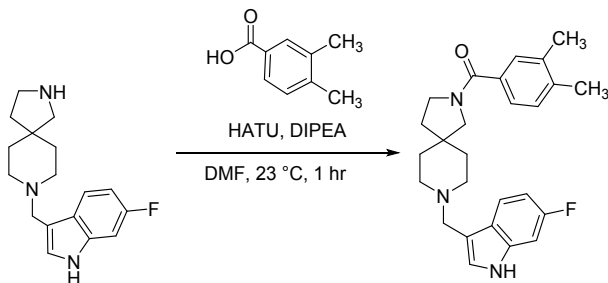
8-((6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl)-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]decane (**41**):

In a vial, **(40)** (93 mg, 0.24 mmol) in dichloromethane (1mL) was cooled to 0 °C before the addition of trifluoroacetic acid (0.25 mL, 3.26 mmol). The reaction was then warmed to room temperature and stirred for 1 hour. At this time, the reaction was made concentrated and **(41)** was obtained as the trifluoroacetic acid salt (147.8 mg, 0.23 mmol, quant yield) as a red oil.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, $\text{MeOD-}d_4$): δ 11.42 (s, 1H), 7.92 – 7.87 (m, 1H), 7.73 (s, 1H), 7.35 (dd, $J = 9.7, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.17 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 4.71 (s, 2H), 3.74 (d, $J = 12.3$ Hz, 2H), 3.61 (dt, $J = 22.1, 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 3.53 (br. s, 1H), 3.51 (quint, $J = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.46 – 3.22 (m, 2H), 2.28 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.18 – 2.09 (m, 5H). Note: Indole NH not observed.

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, $\text{MeOD-}d_4$): δ 162.4 (q, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 35.9$ Hz), 161.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 237.0$ Hz), 138.0 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 12.6$ Hz), 130.2, 125.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.5$ Hz), 120.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10.3$ Hz), 110.0 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 25.0$ Hz), 104.0 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 3.7$ Hz), 98.9 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 26.2$ Hz), 56.7, 50.3, 50.1, 45.9, 44.8, 41.0, 38.3.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{23}\text{FN}_3$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 288.1871, found 288.1874.



(3,4-dimethylphenyl)(8-[(6-fluoro-1H-indol-3-yl)methyl]-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]decan-2-yl)methanone (42):

To a solution of **(41)** (30.3 mg, 0.05 mmol) and HATU (22.0 mg, 0.06 mmol) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (0.5 mL) was added *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (50.3 μ L, 0.29 mmol). The reaction mixture was then stirred for 10 minutes before adding to a solution of 3,4-dimethylbenzoic acid (8.7 mg, 0.06 mmol) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (0.5 mL) and stirring for one hour. Crude product was then purified using the Gilson (Basic, 30x 100 mm column, 5-95% ACN/ 0.05% aqueous NH_4OH , 10 min run). Fractions containing the desired product were concentrated and purified once more via Teledyne ISCO Combi-Flash system (liquid loading, 4G column, 0-10% MeOH/DCM) to give **(42)** (16.5 mg, 0.04 mmol, 82% yield) as a clear glass.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$): δ 11.03 (br. s, 1H), 7.67 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.09 (m, 5H), 6.89 – 6.80 (m, 1H), 3.64 (br. s, 2H), 3.50– 3.41 (m, 3H), 3.29 – 3.22 (m, 3H), 2.56 – 2.37 (m, 2H), 2.23 (s, 6H), 1.70 (dt, $J = 21.8, 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 1.58 – 1.55 (m, 2H), 1.45 (m, 2H).

$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (101 MHz, $\text{DMSO-}d_6$): δ 168.7, 168.6, 158.8 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 233.7$ Hz), 138.1, 138.1, 136.2 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10.6$ Hz), 136.0, 134.5, 134.4, 129.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 9.1$ Hz), 128.2, 125.4, 124.5 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 9.5$ Hz), 124.4 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10.1$ Hz), 120.1 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 10.1$ Hz), 107.0, 97.3 (d, $J_{\text{C-F}} = 25.2$ Hz), 58.9, 53.5, 49.9, 47.1, 44.1, 33.7, 19.3.

Note: The higher than expected number of carbon peaks is presumably due to slowly interconverting conformations.

HRMS (ESI) calculated for formula $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{31}\text{FN}_3\text{O}$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 420.2446, found 420.2453.

% *Inhibition at D_{4.4}* was found to be 44% at 10 mM when screened at Eurofins.

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III. NMR Spectra

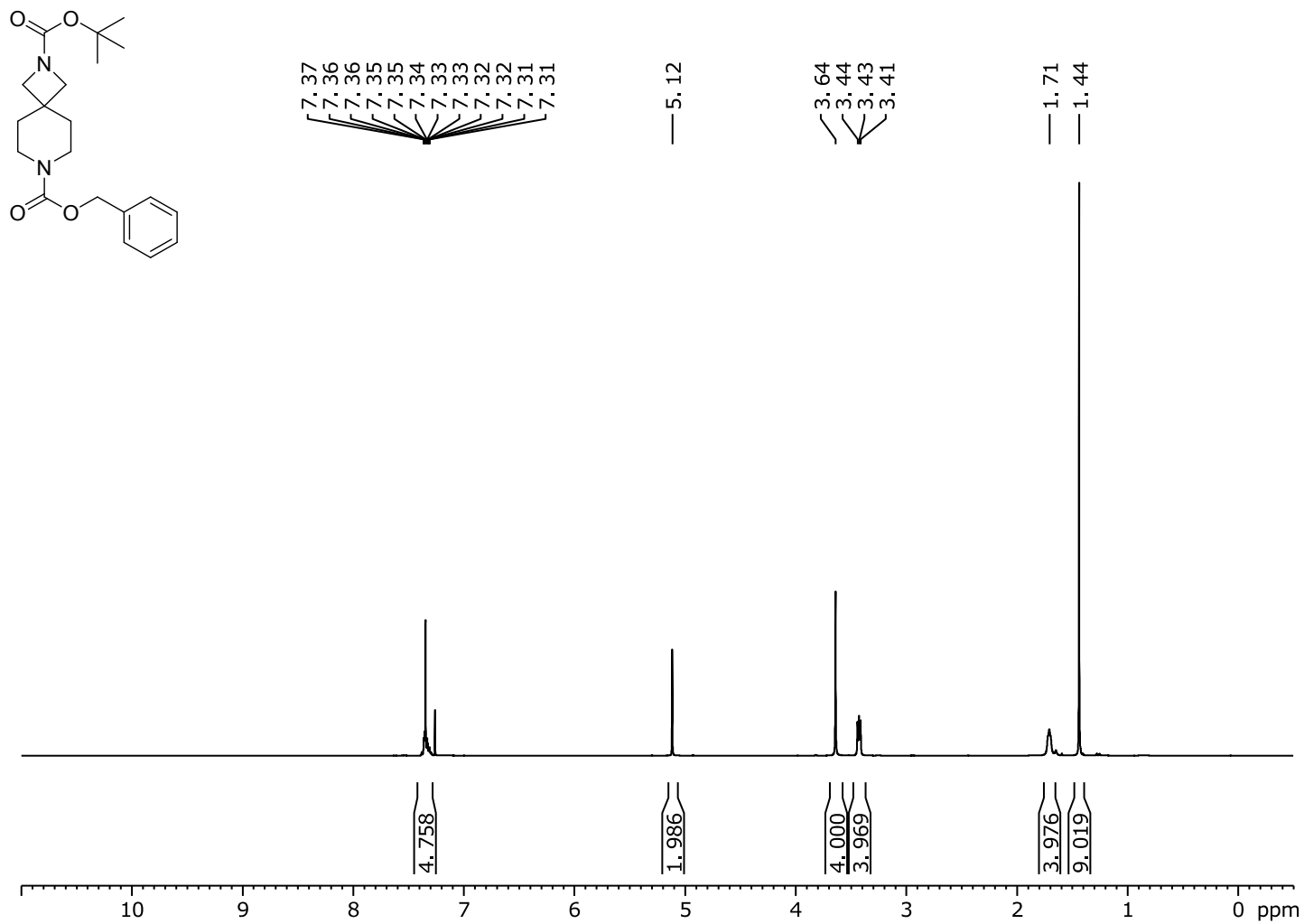


Figure S1: ¹H NMR spectra of **1** in CDCl₃.

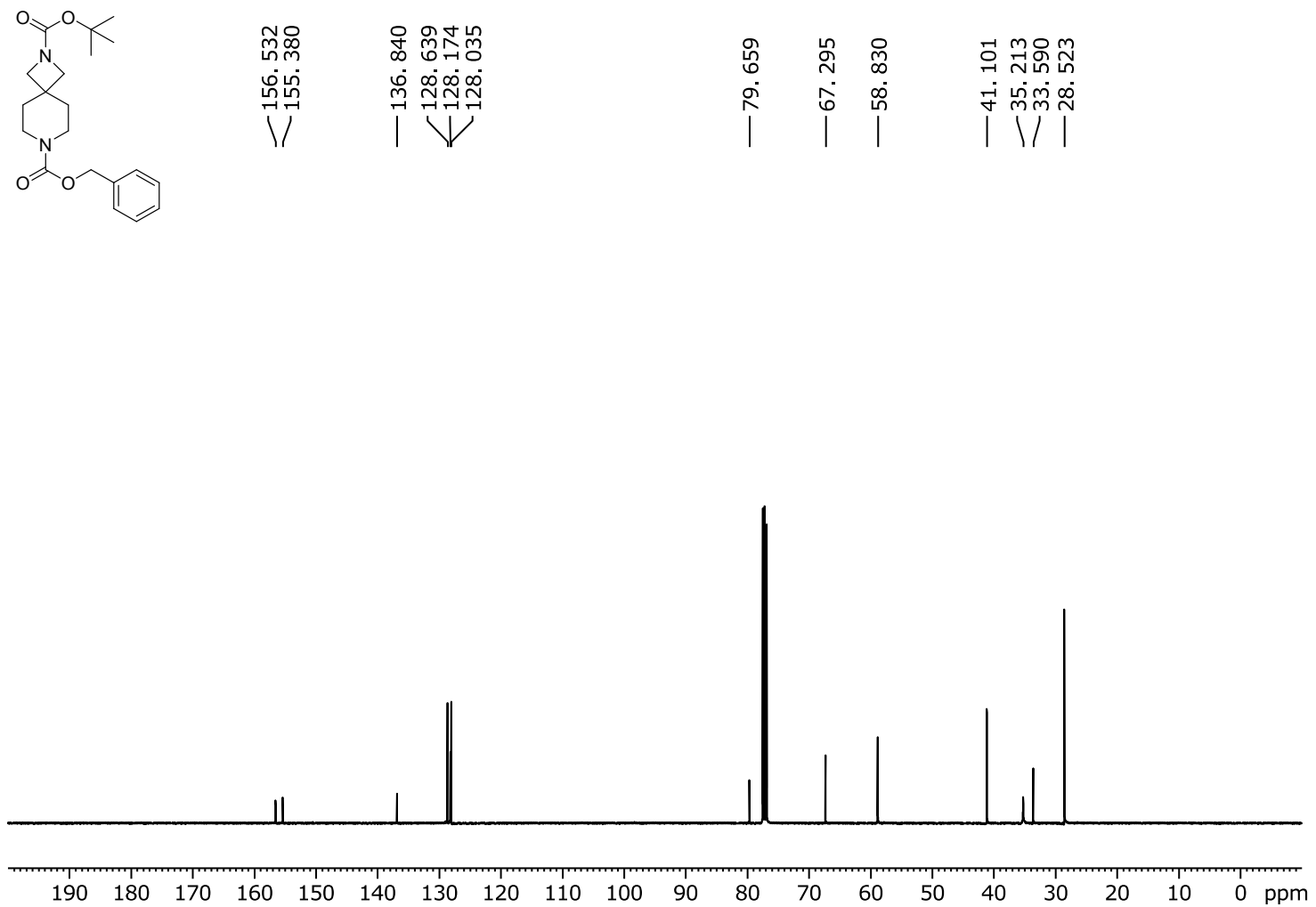


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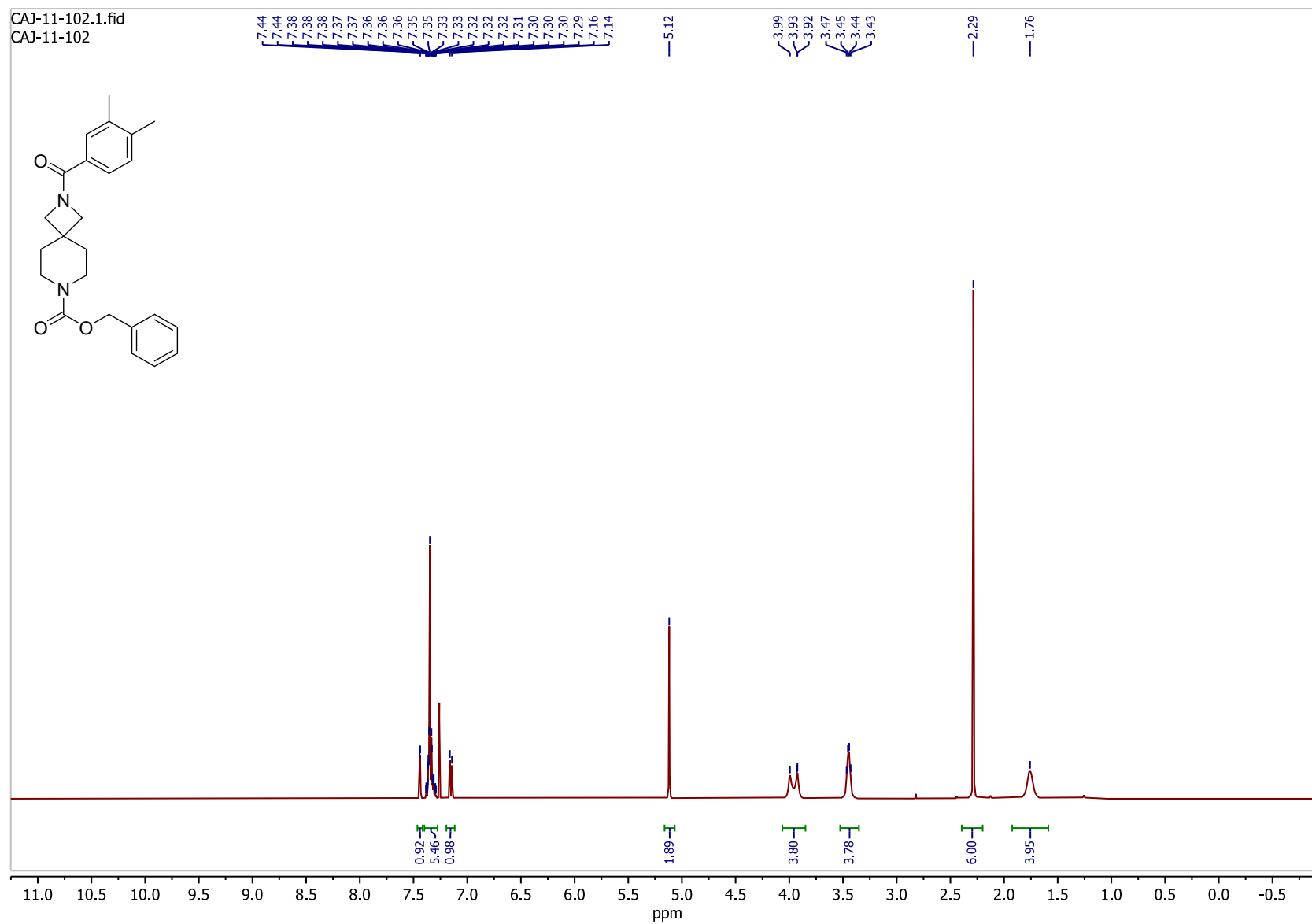


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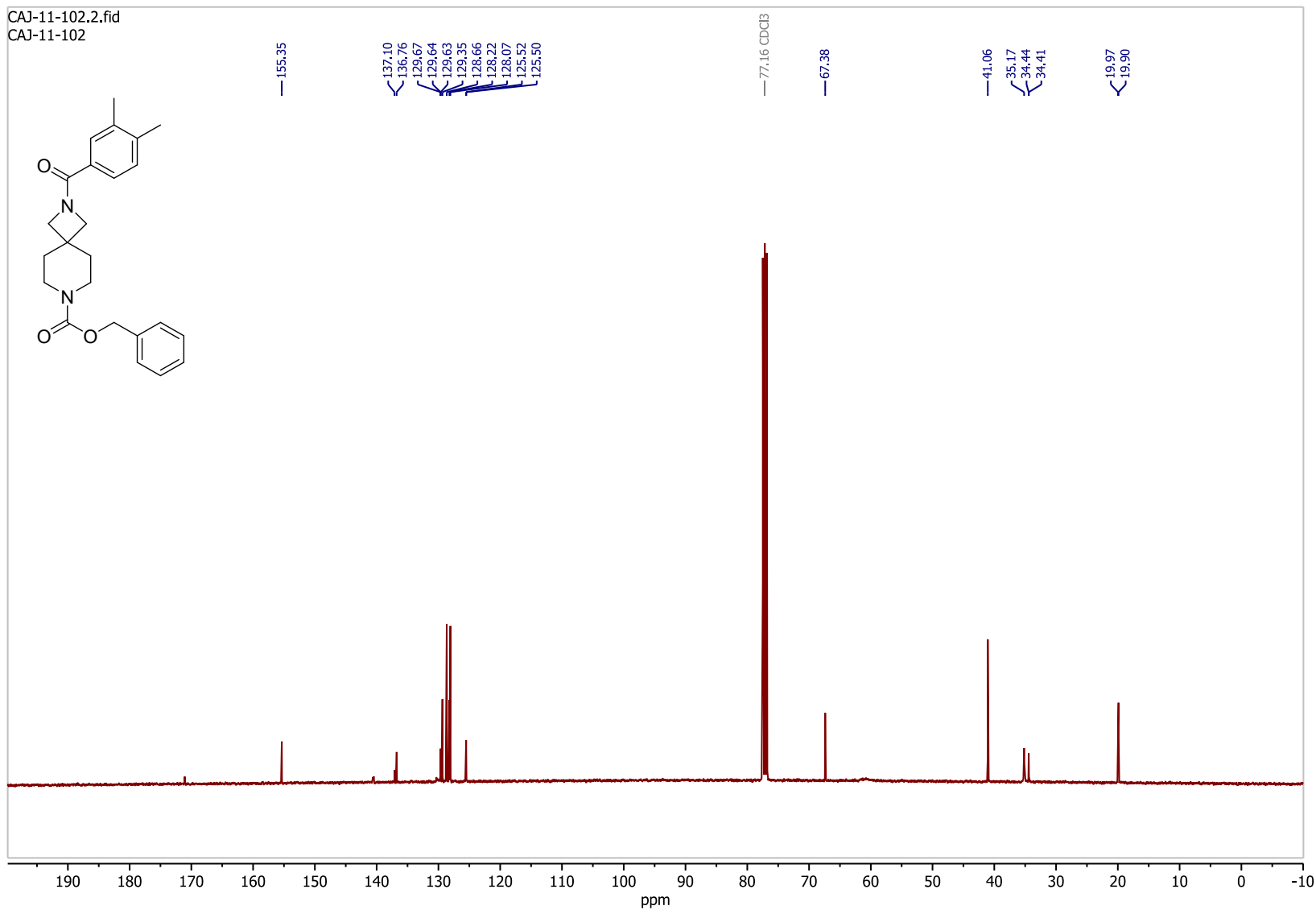


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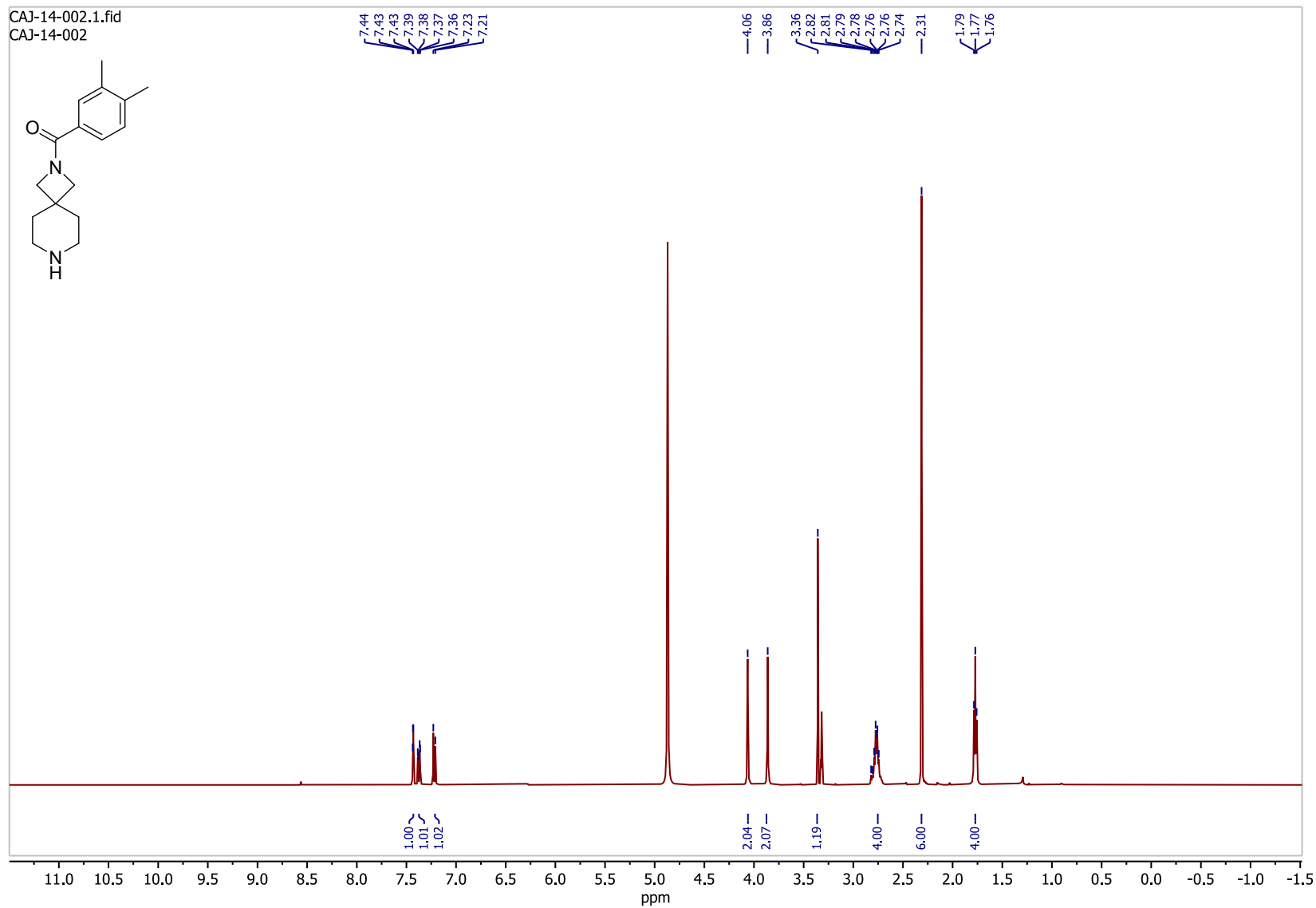


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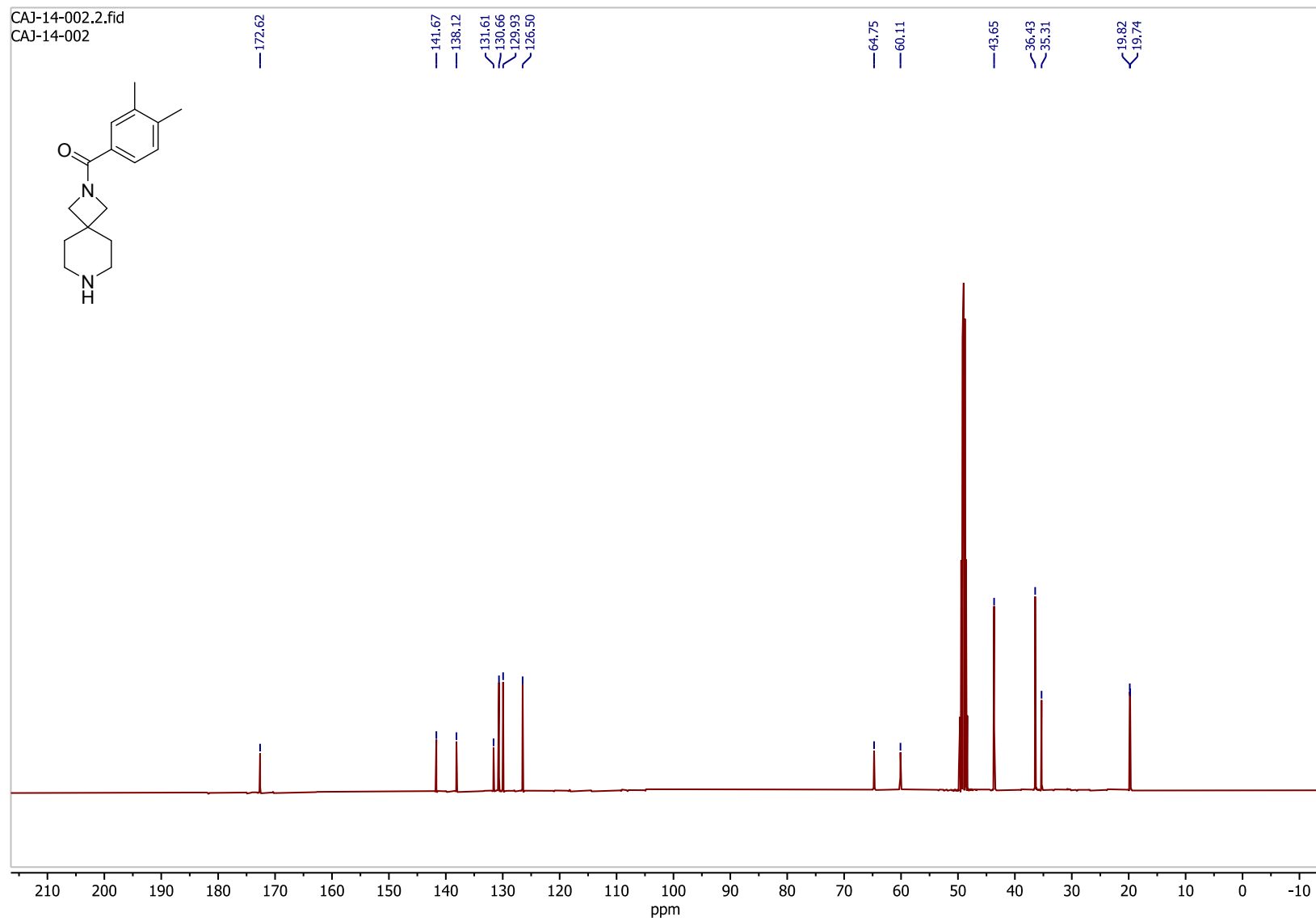


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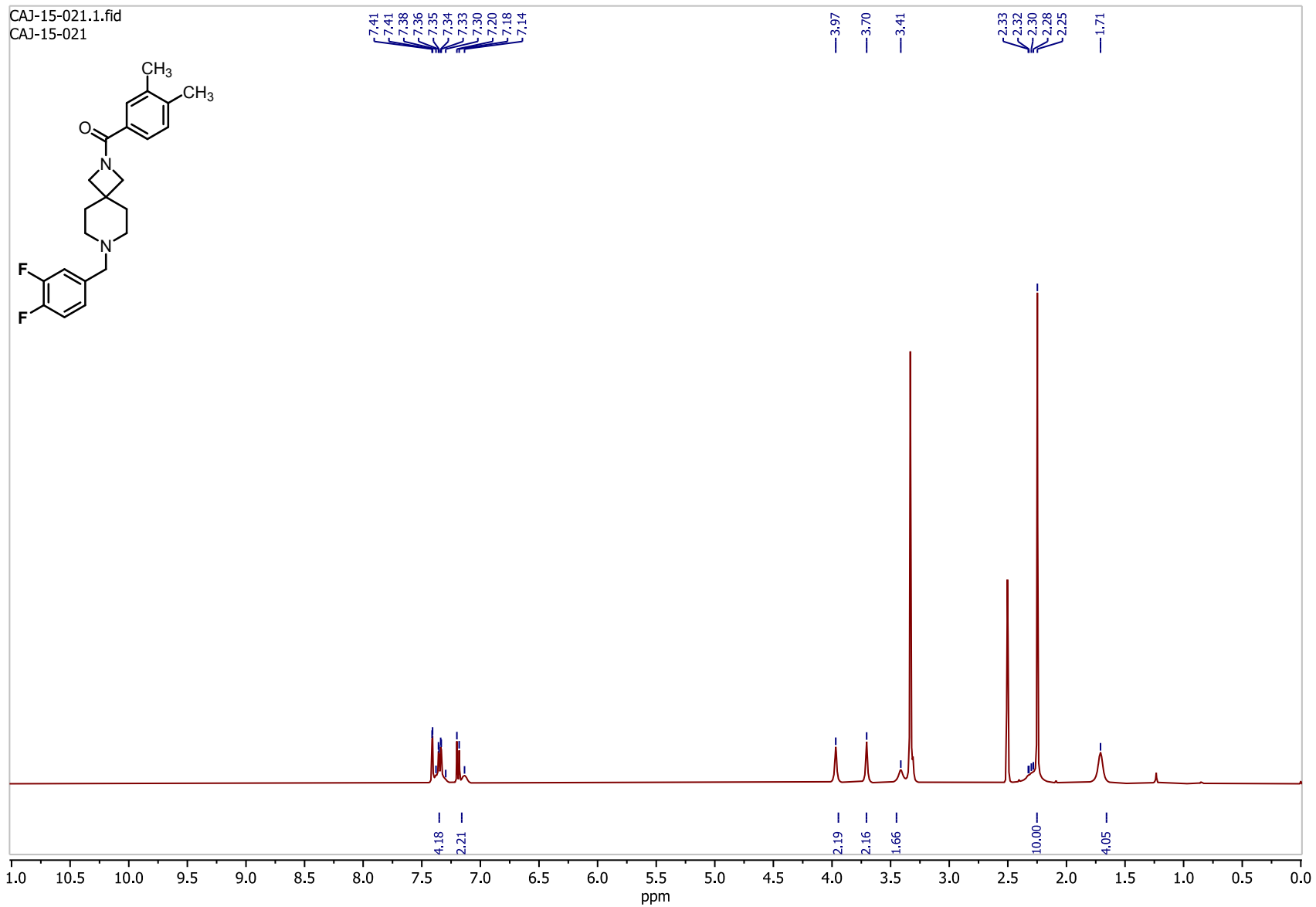


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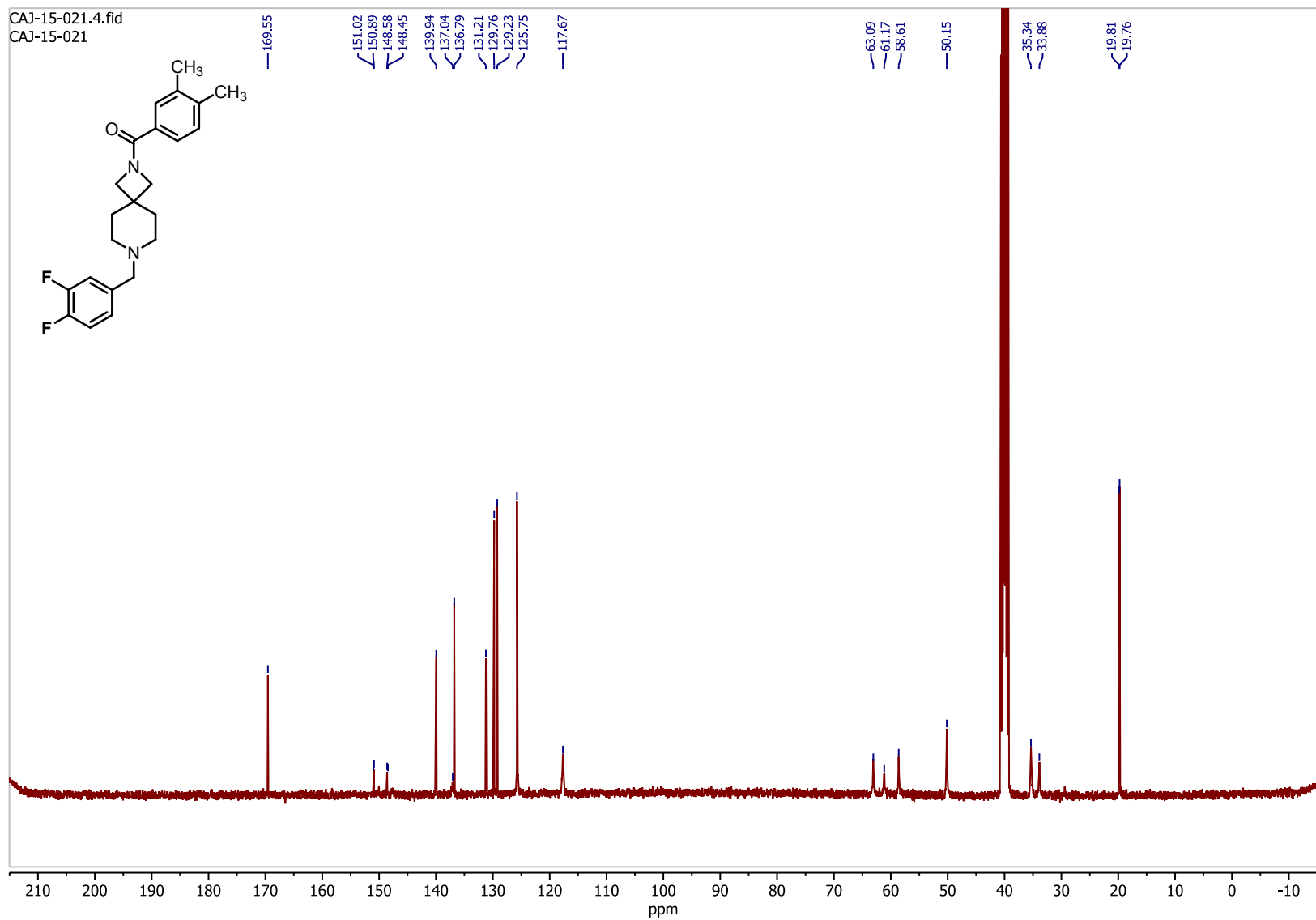


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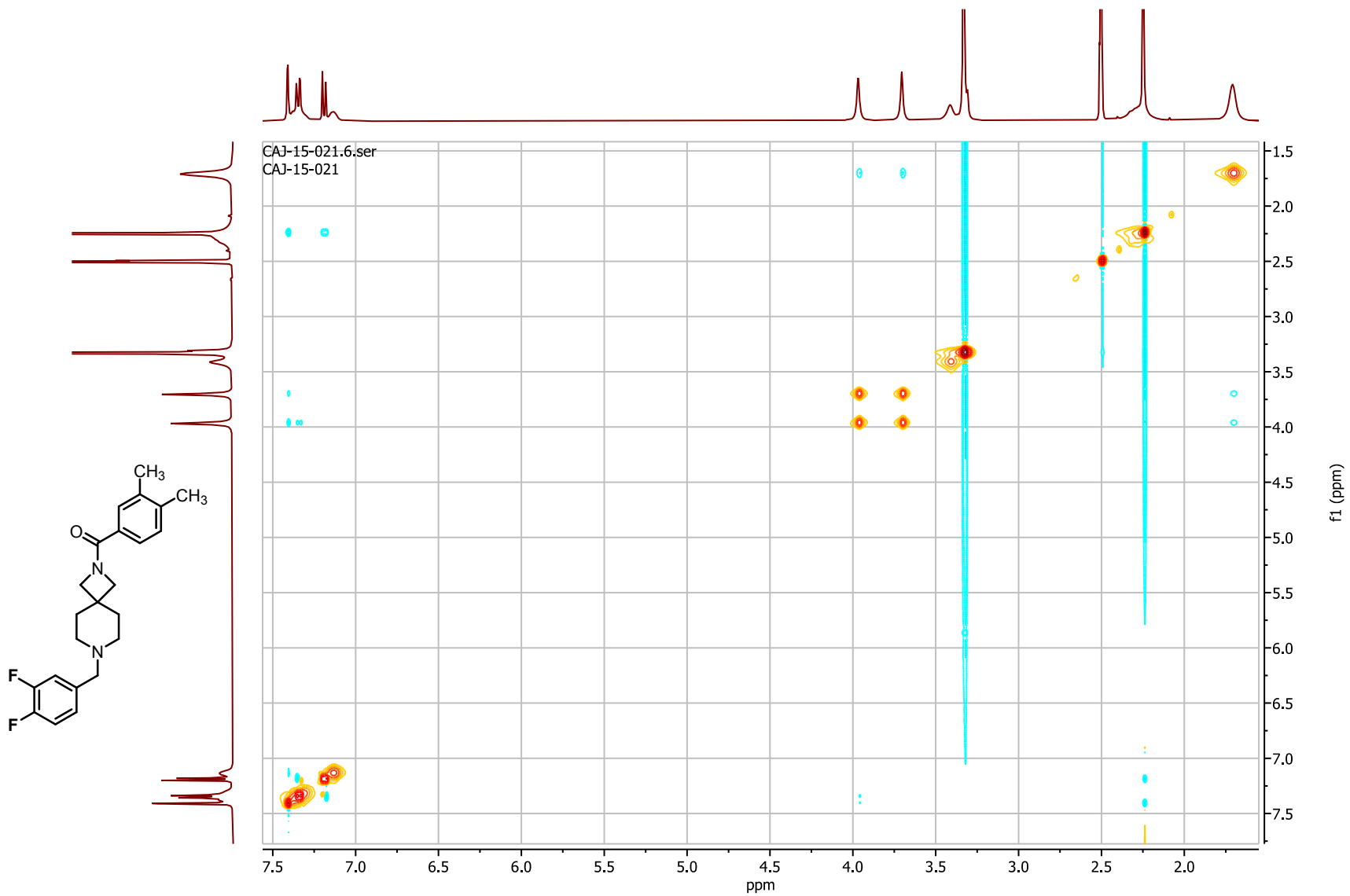


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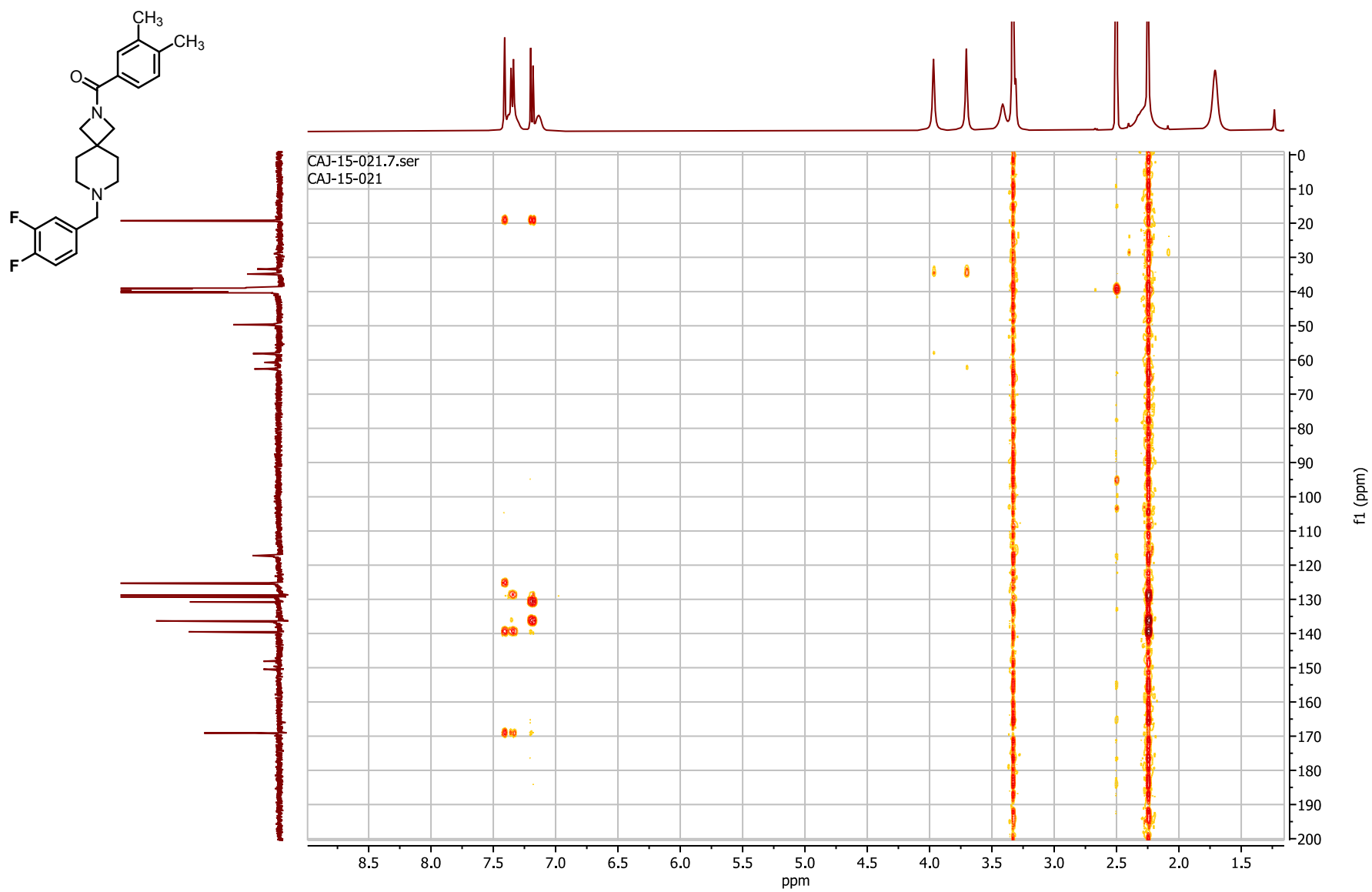


Figure S10: HMBC of **4** in DMSO-*d*₆.

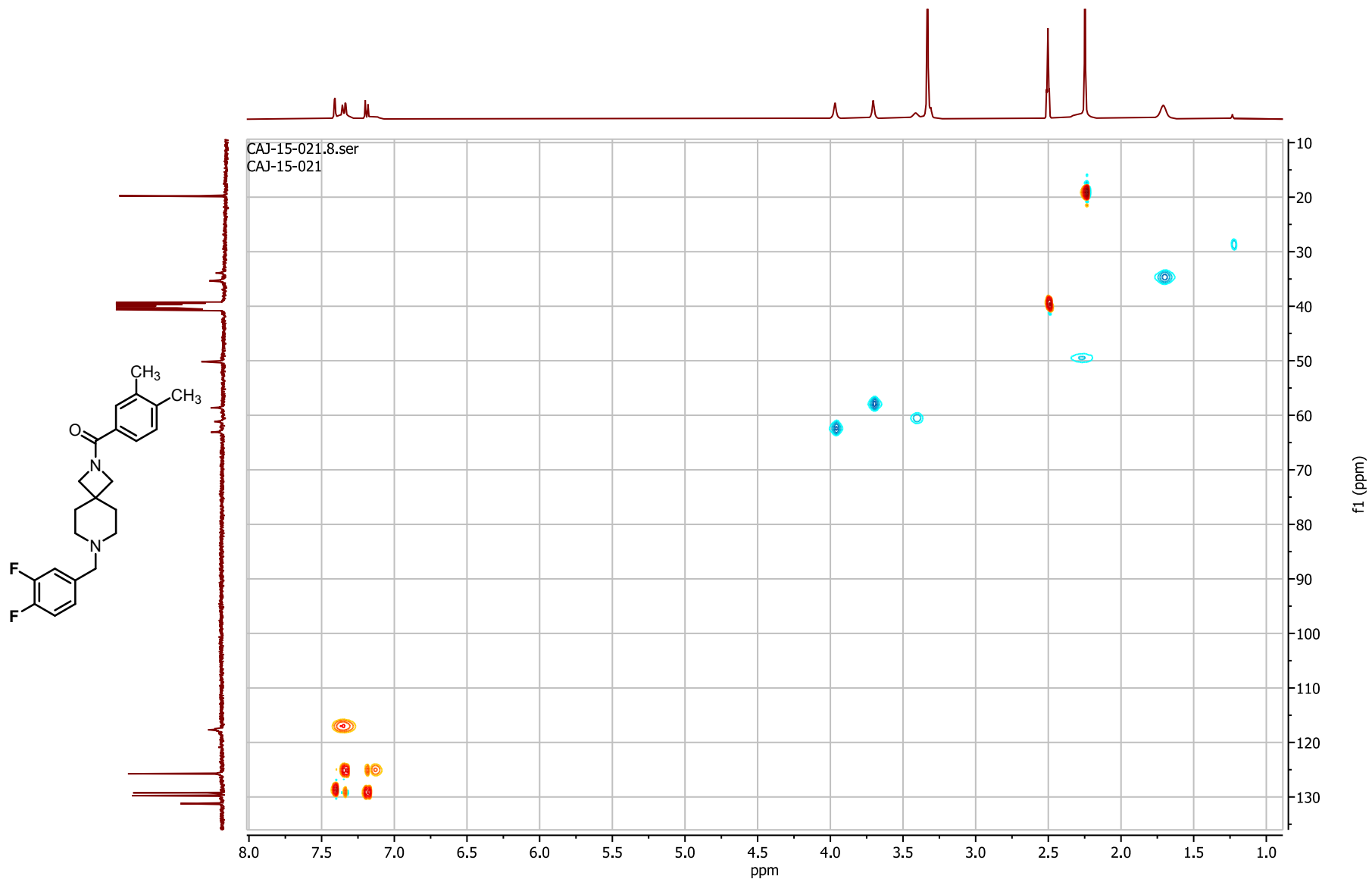


Figure S11: HSQC of 4 in DMSO- d_6 .

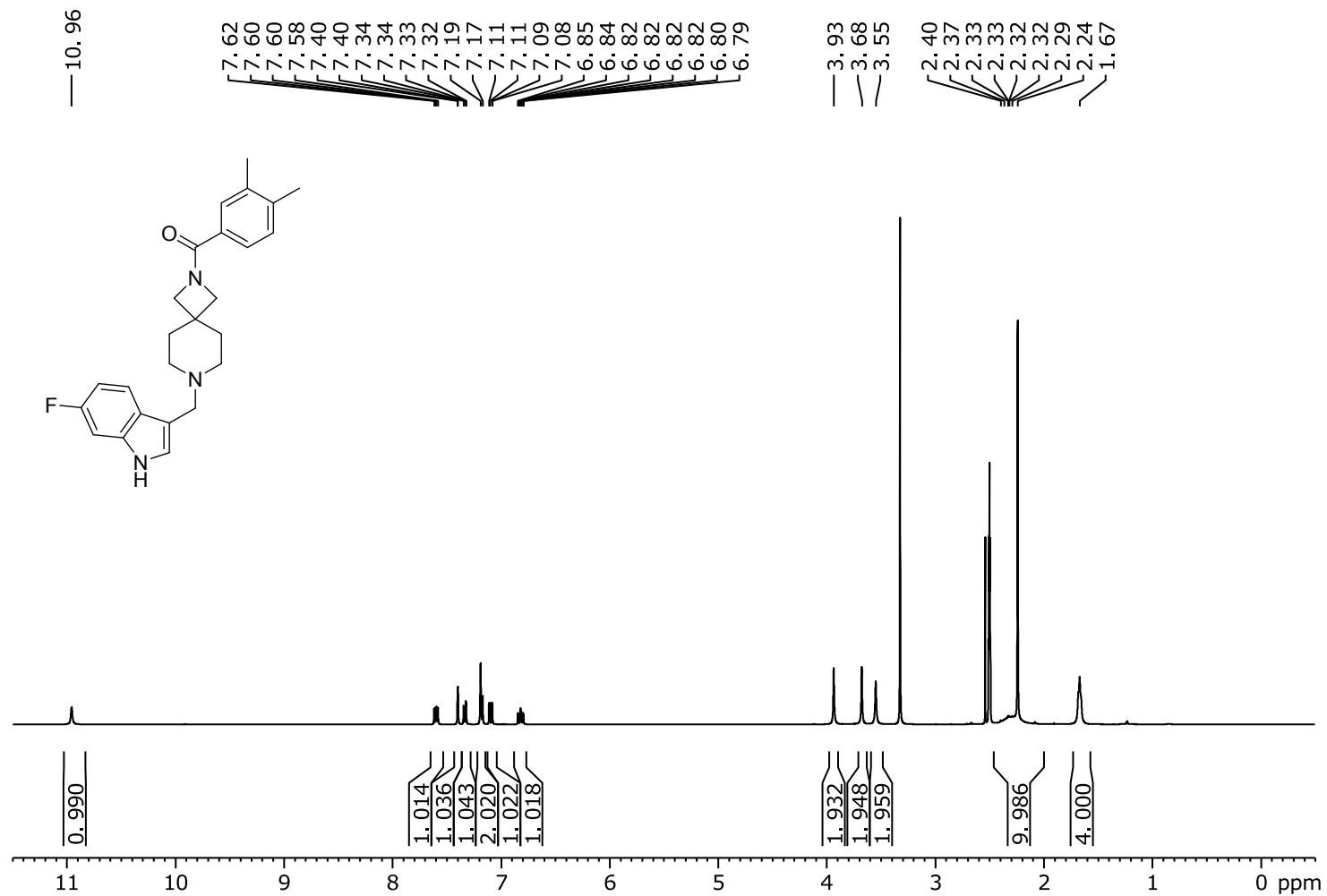


Figure S12: ¹H NMR spectra of 5 in DMSO-d₆.

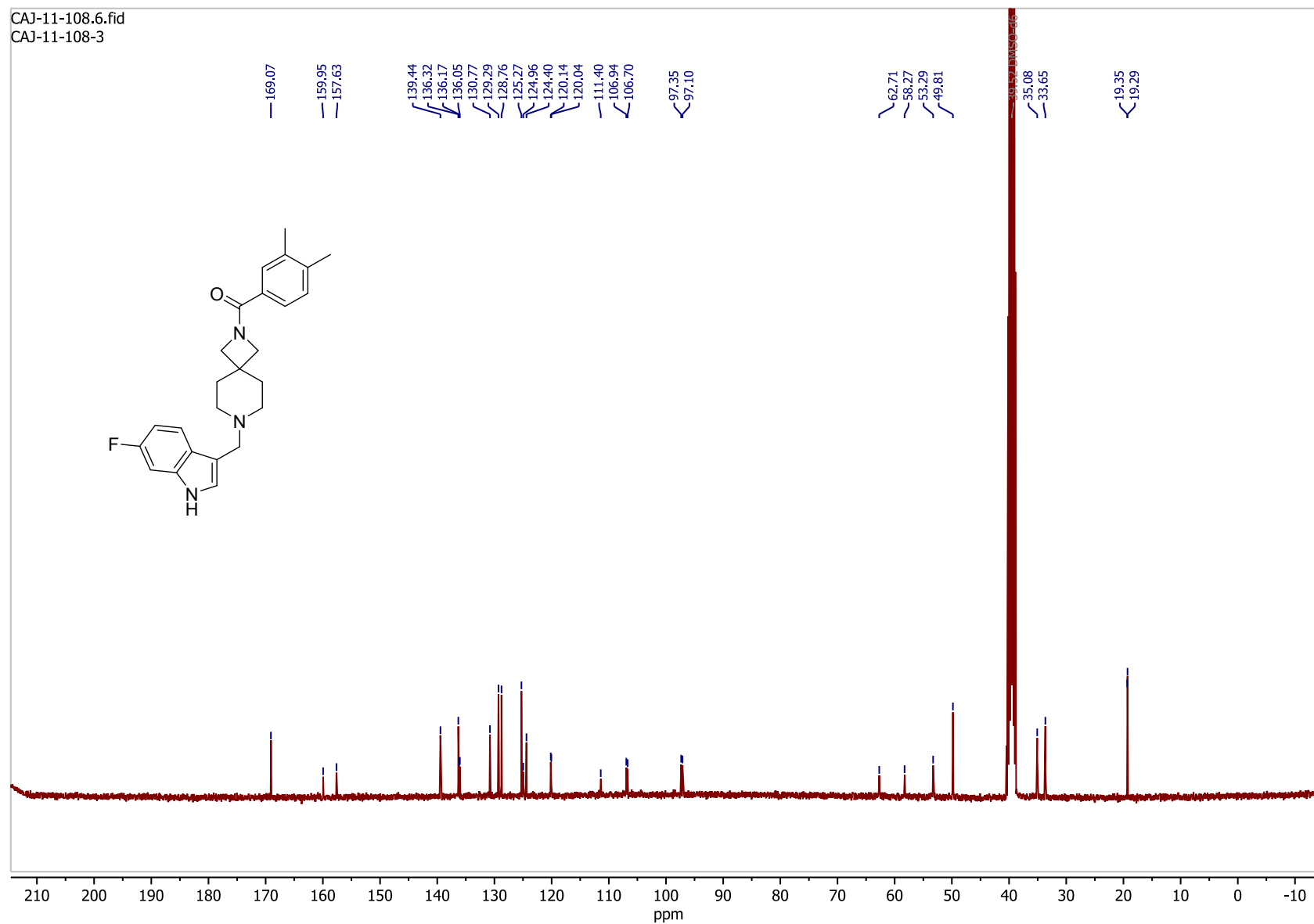


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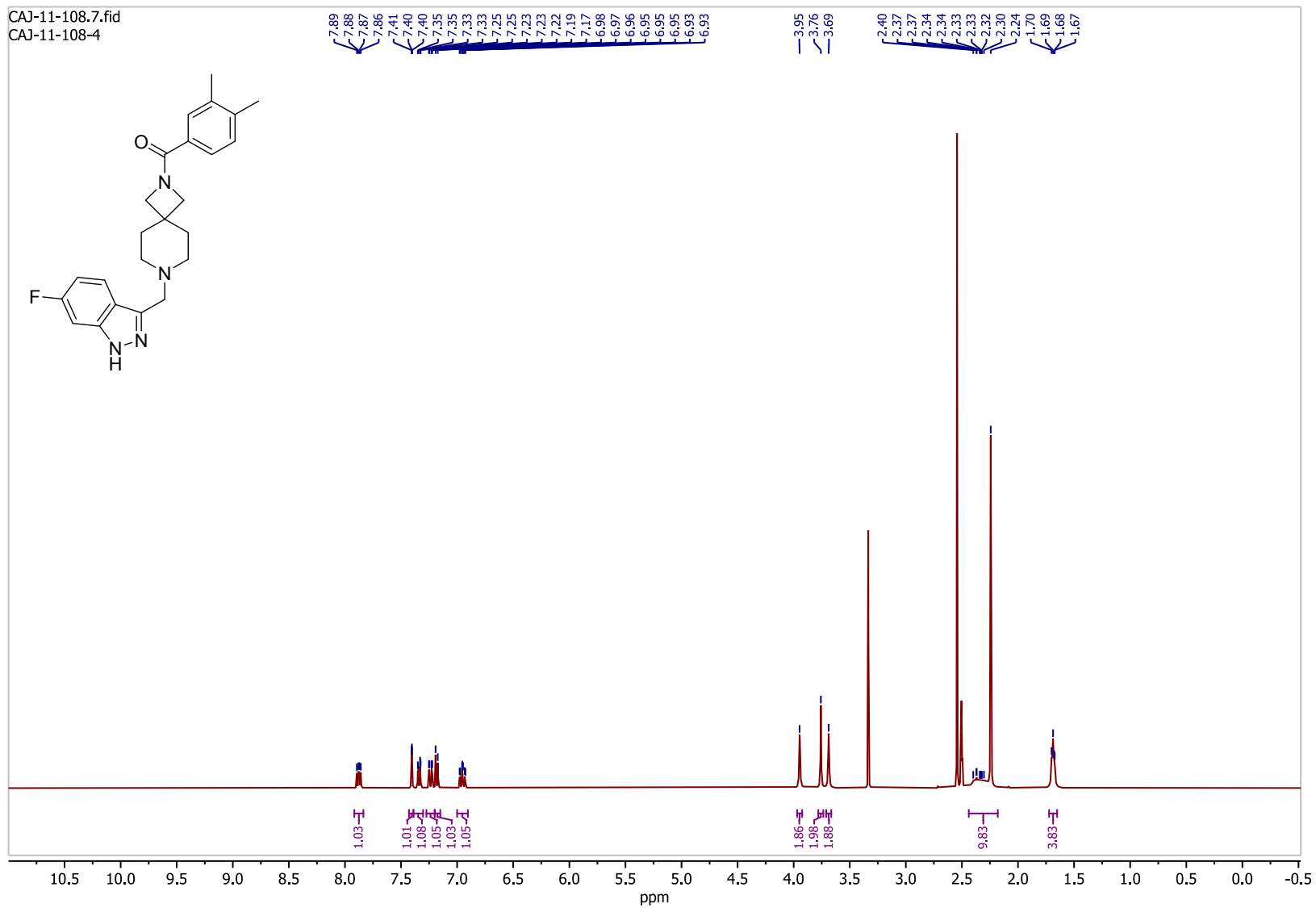


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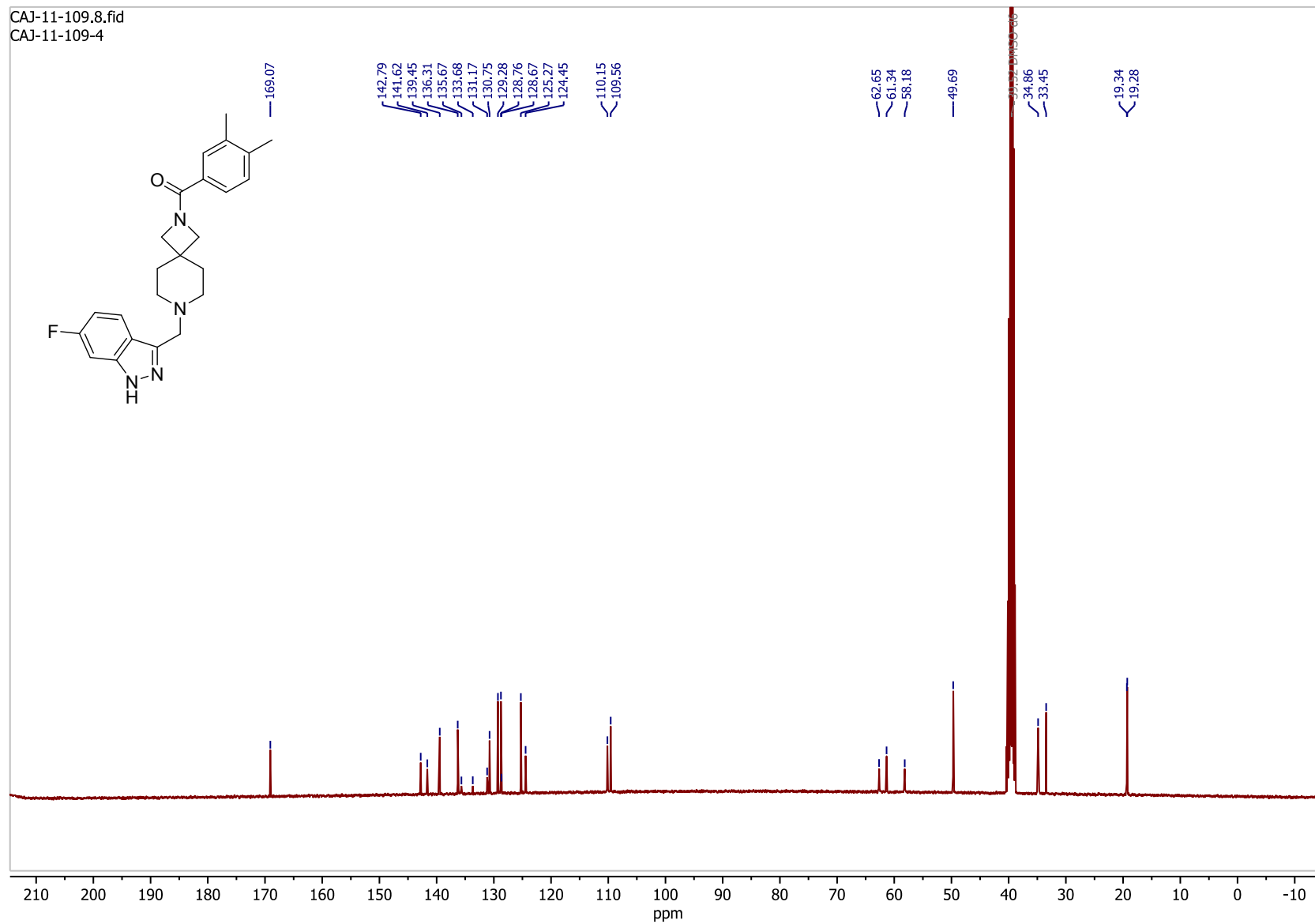


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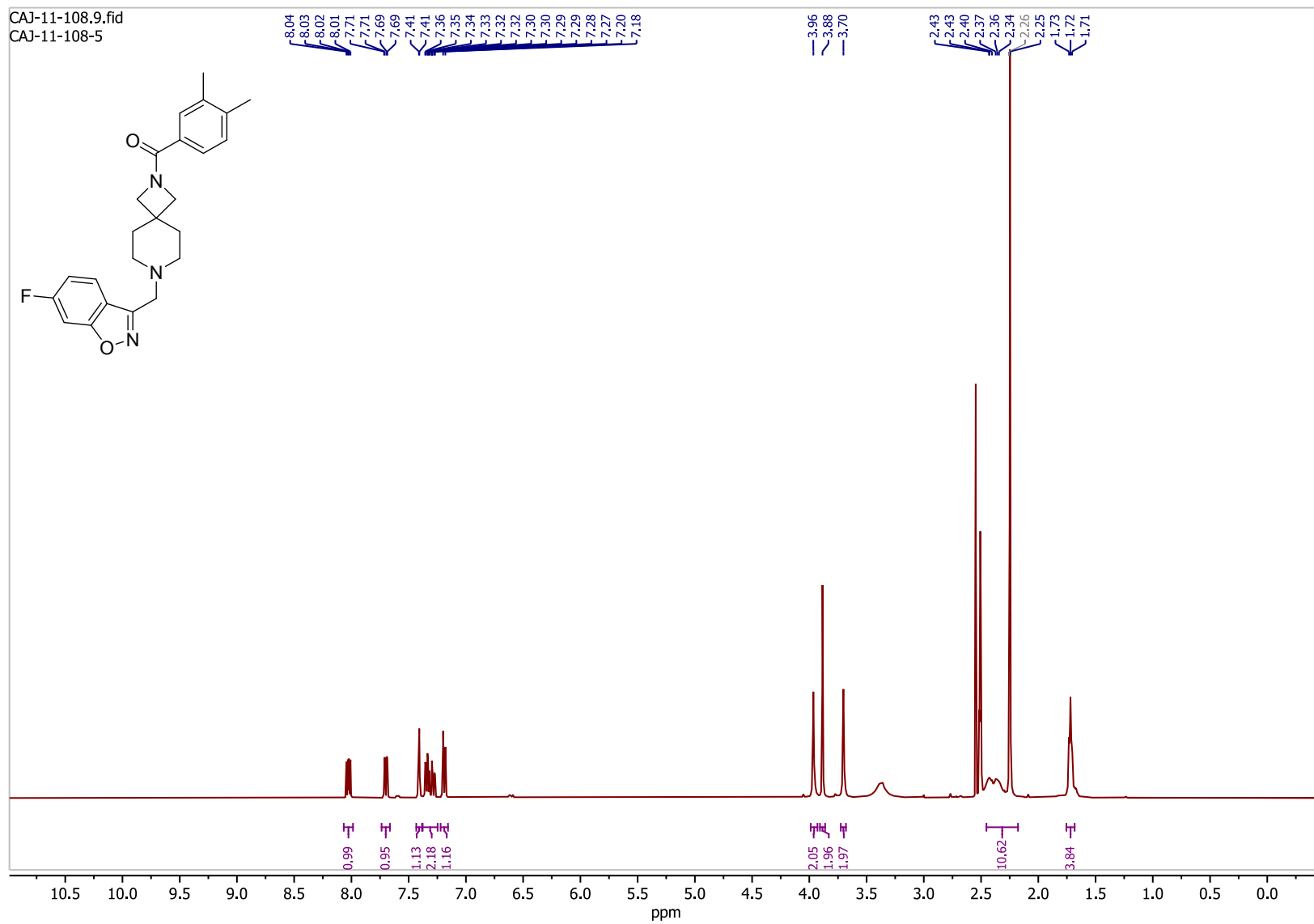


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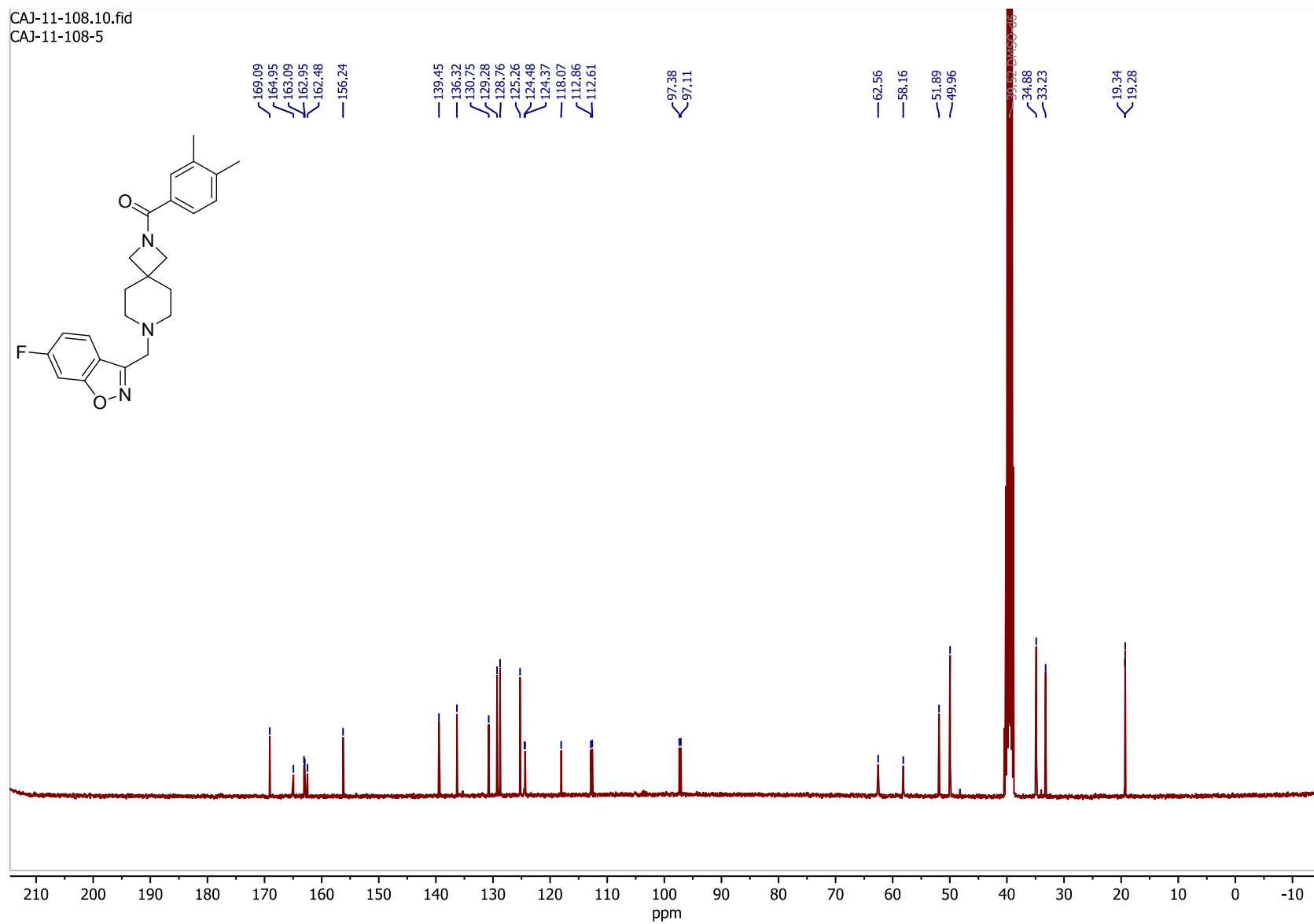


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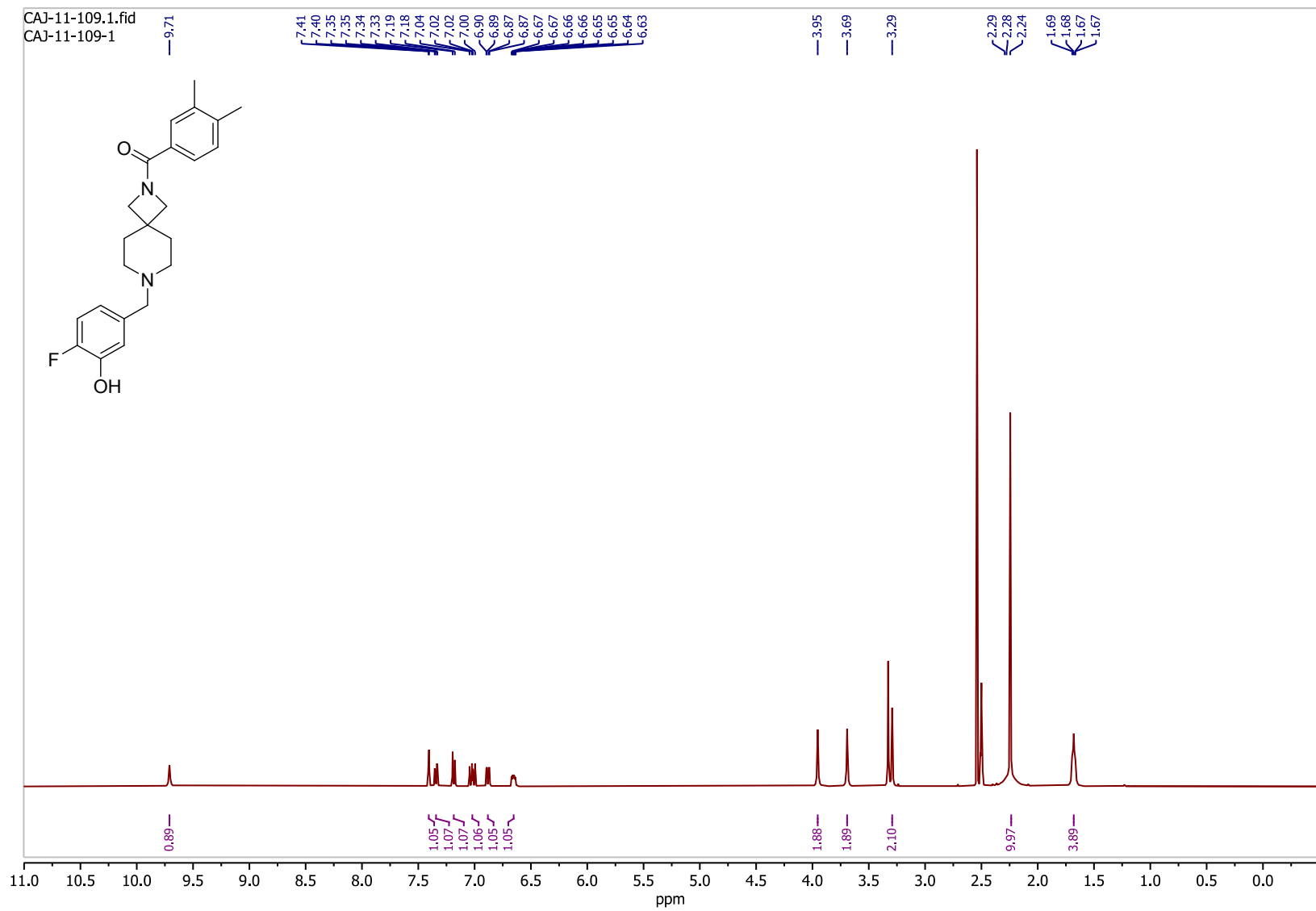


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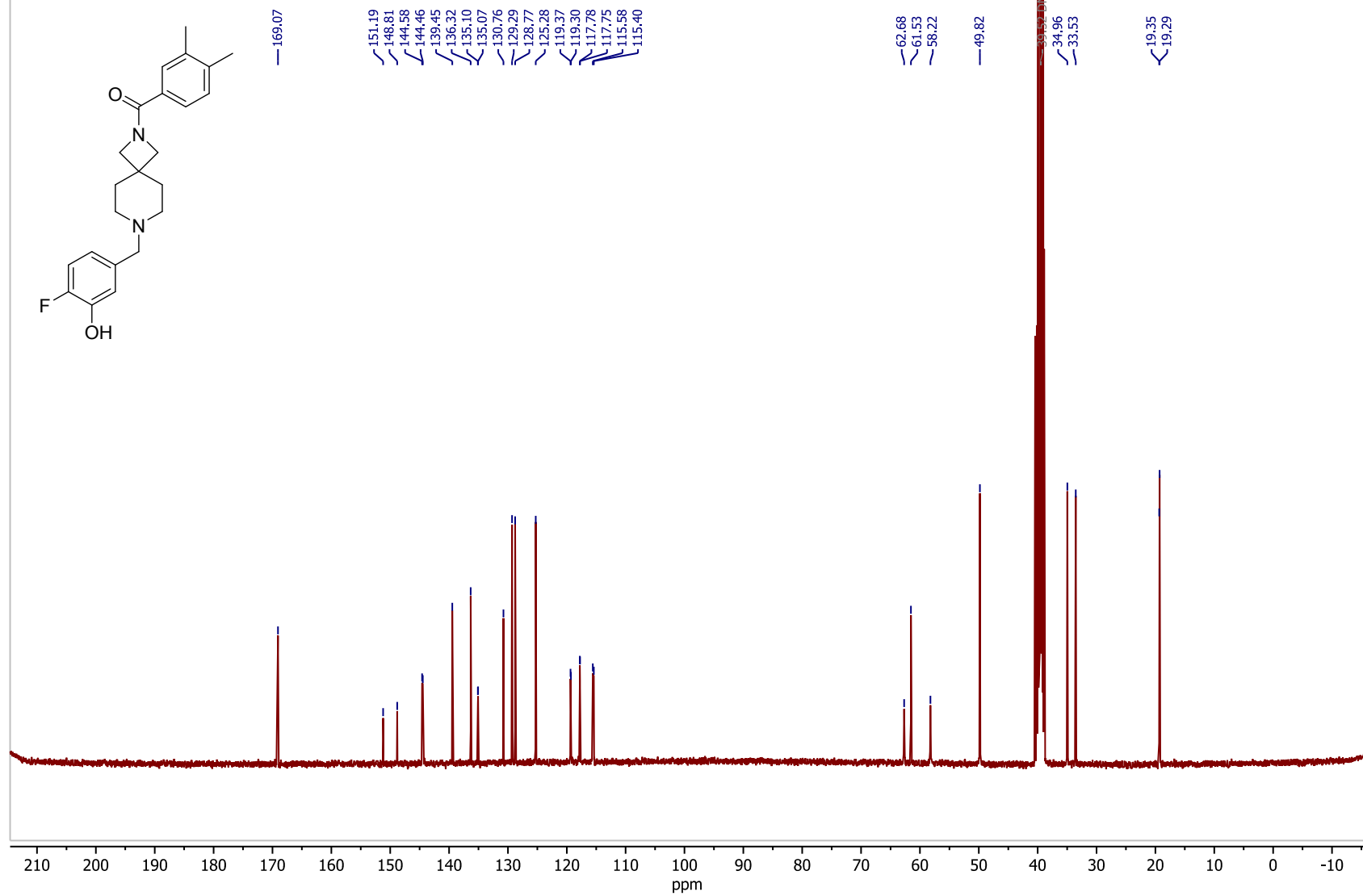


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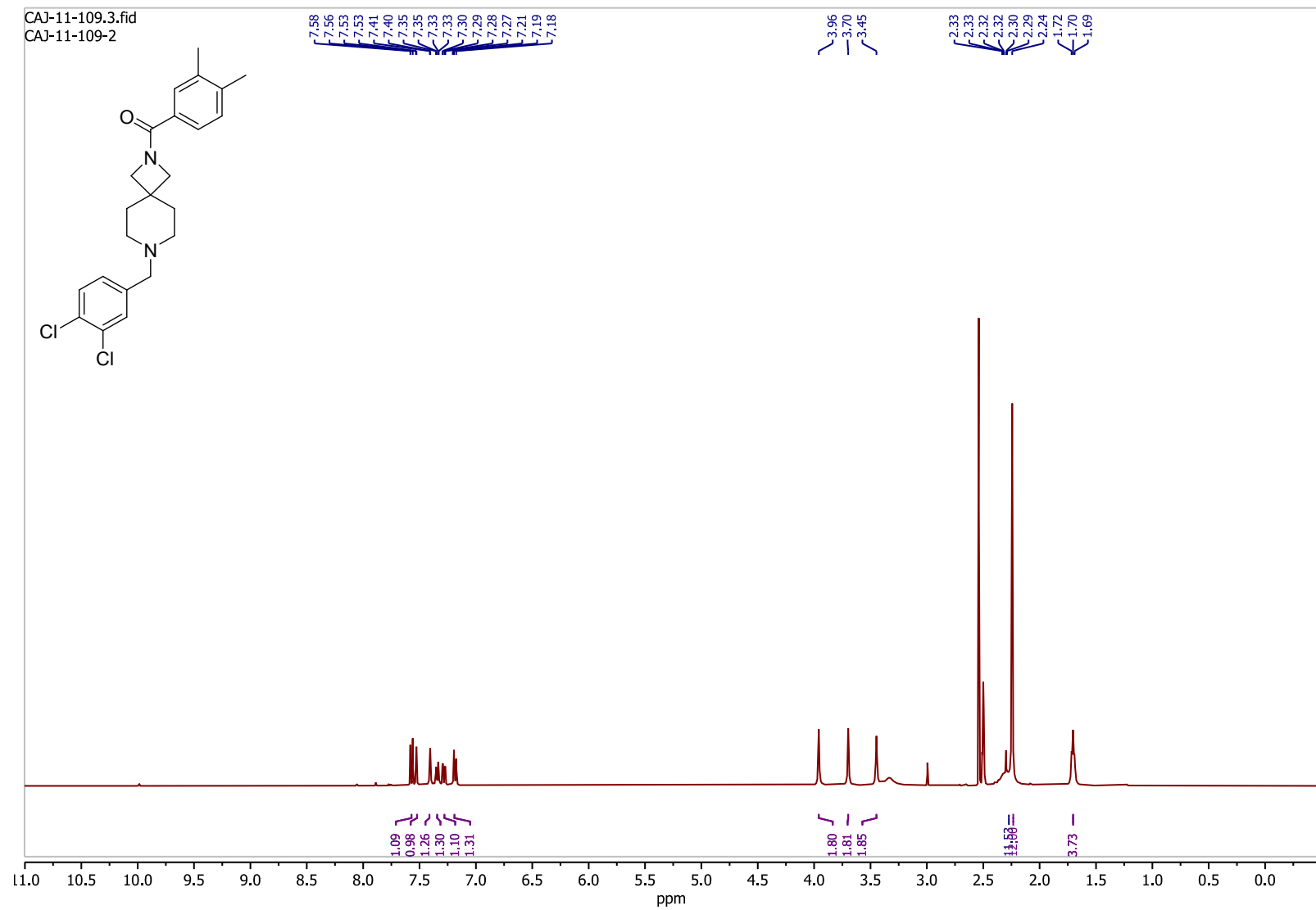


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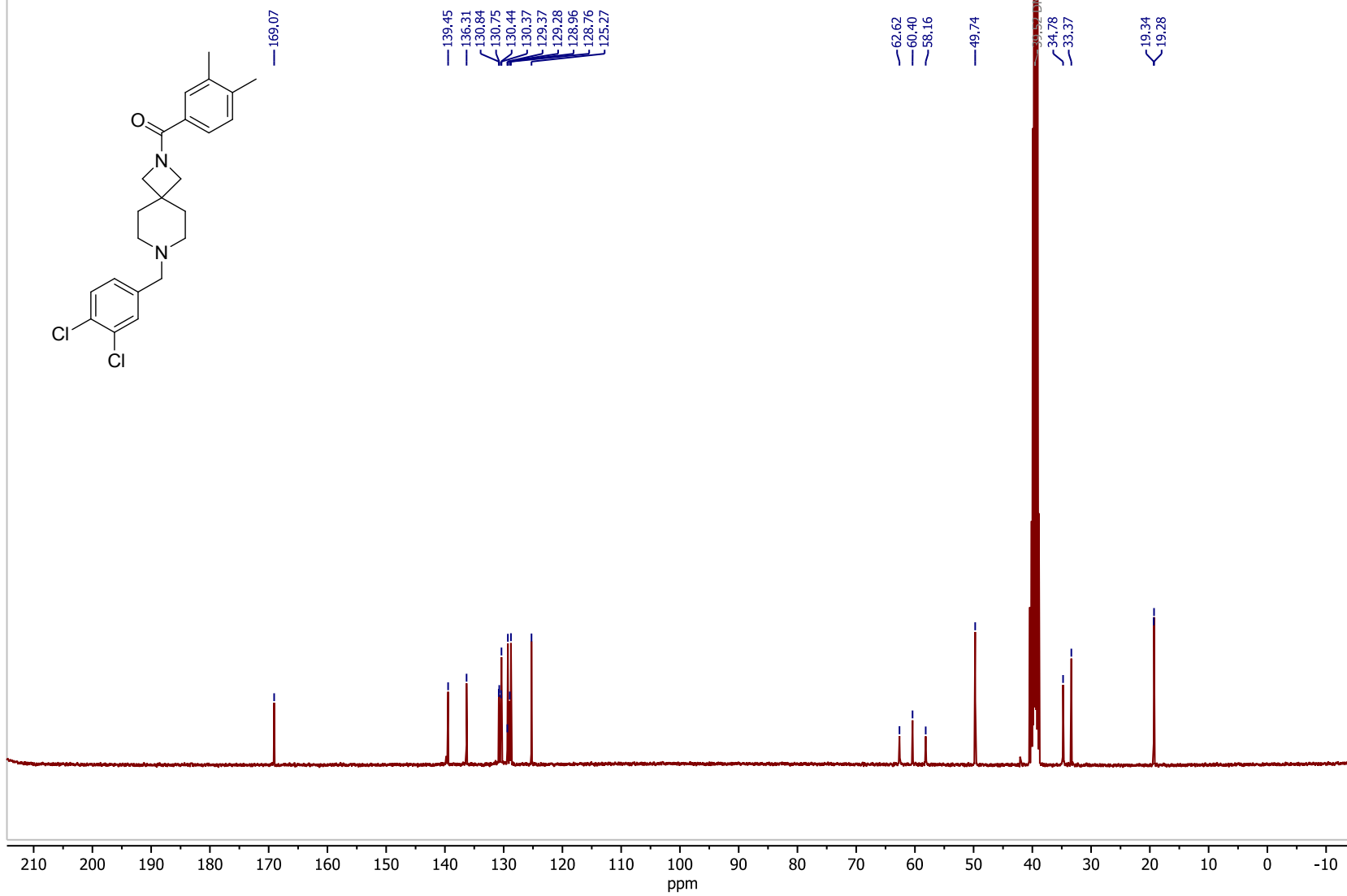


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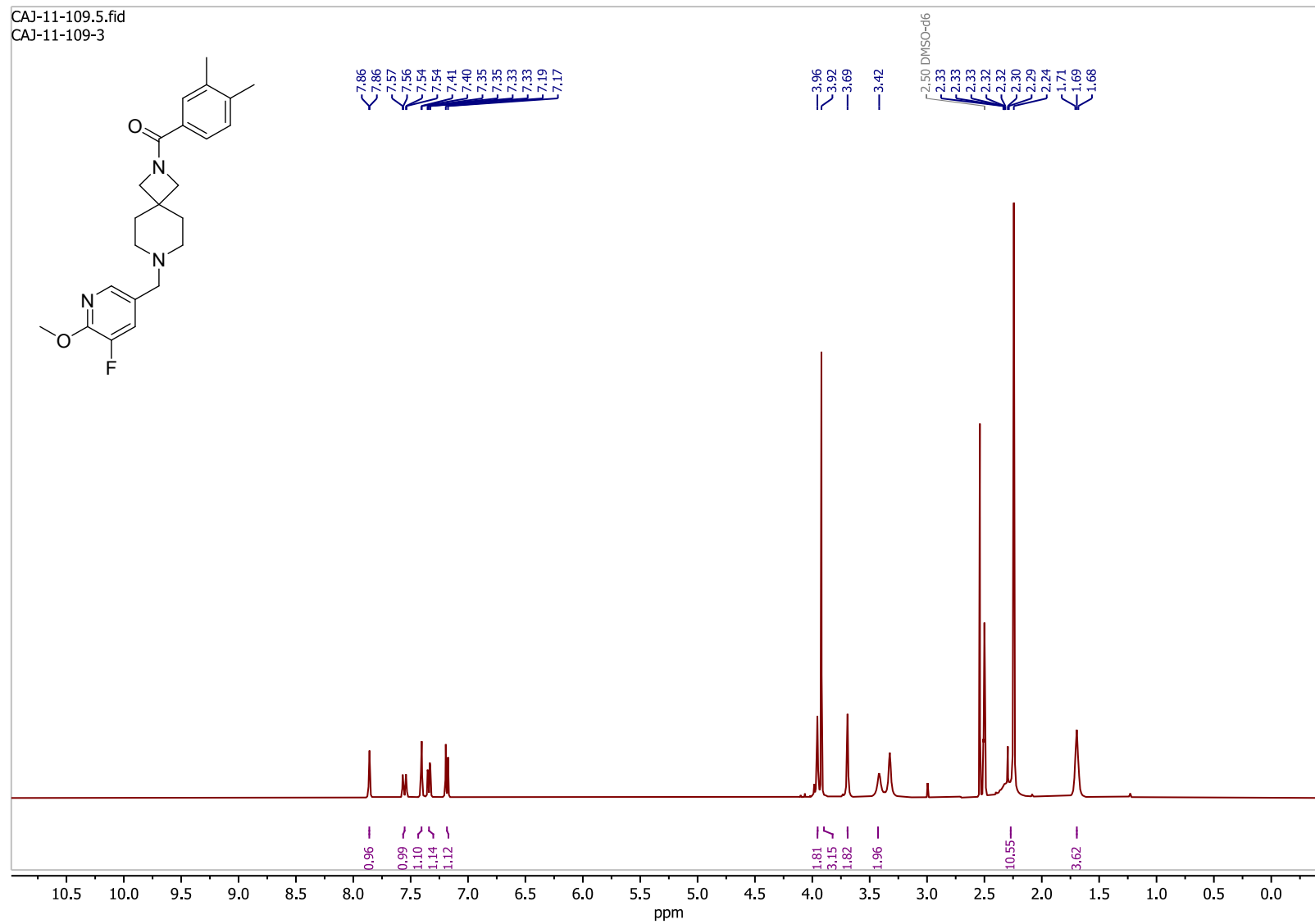


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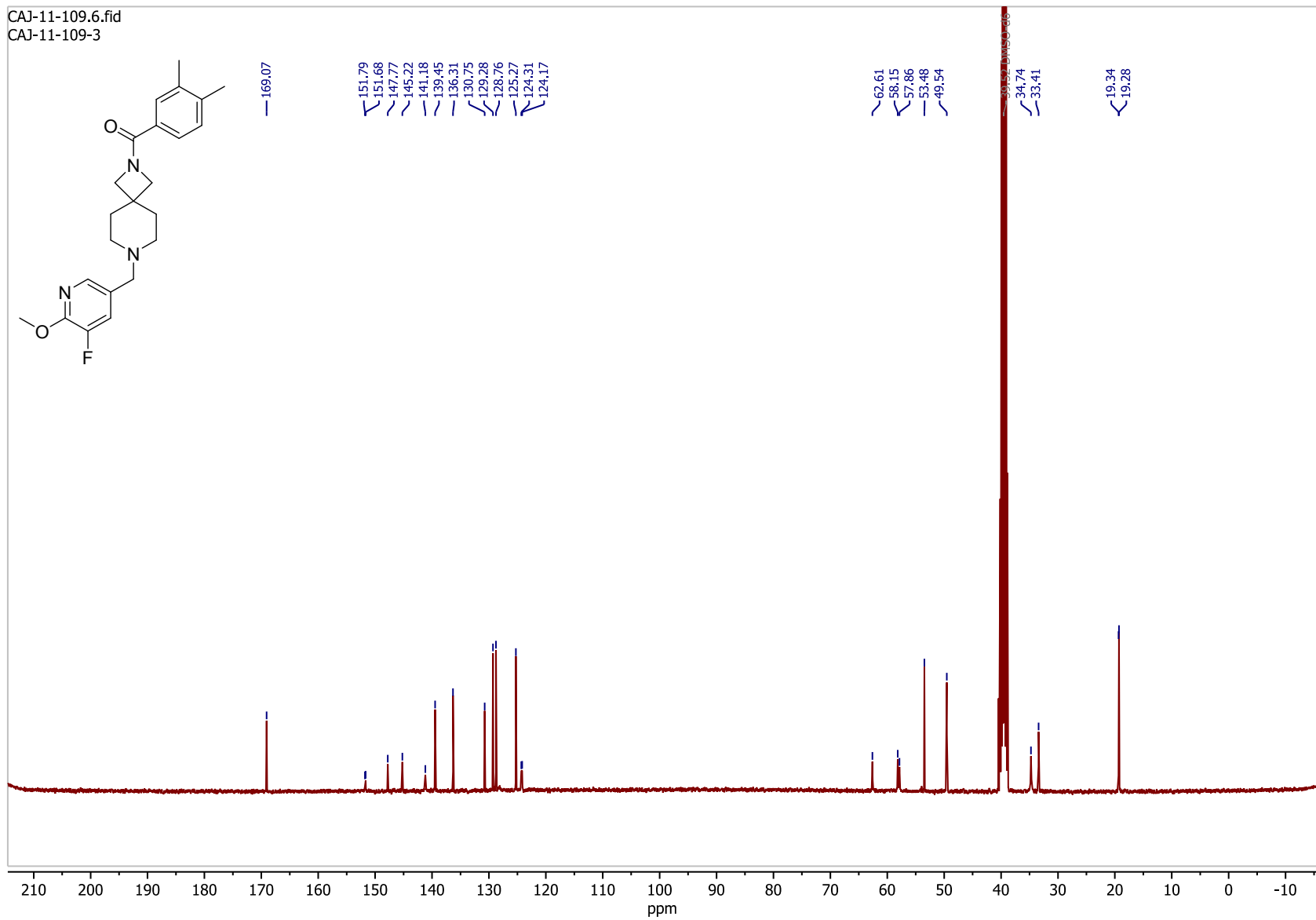


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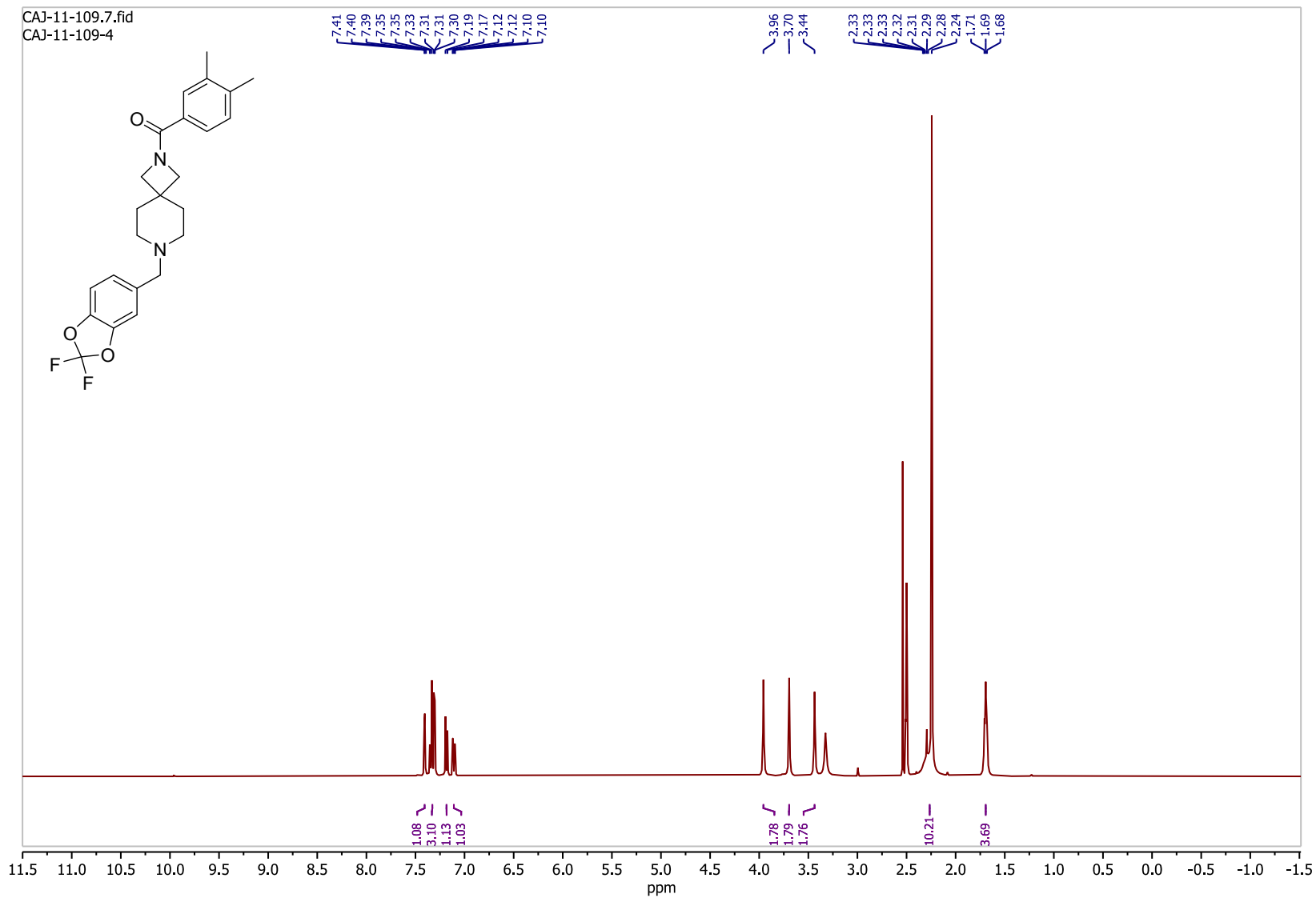


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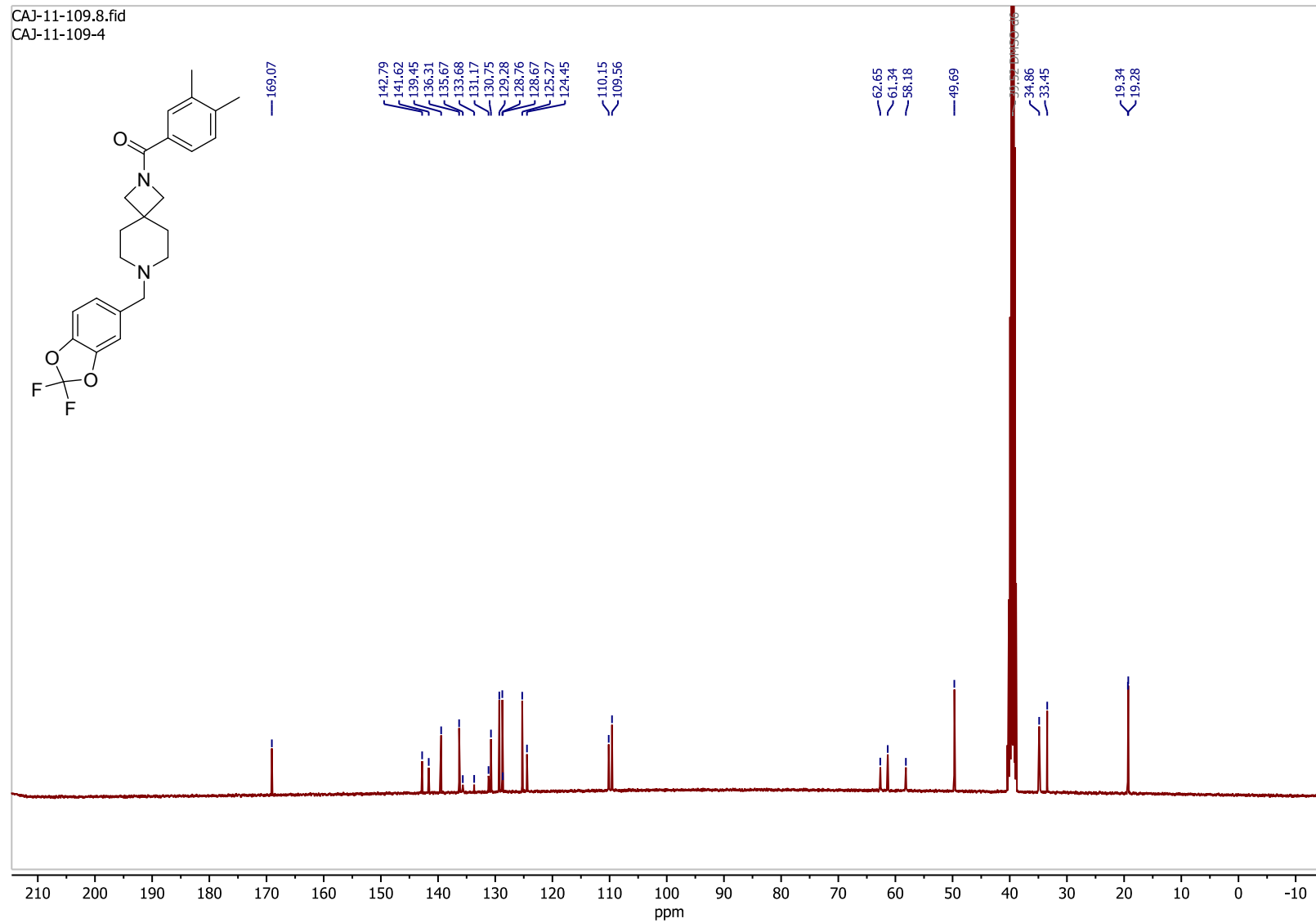


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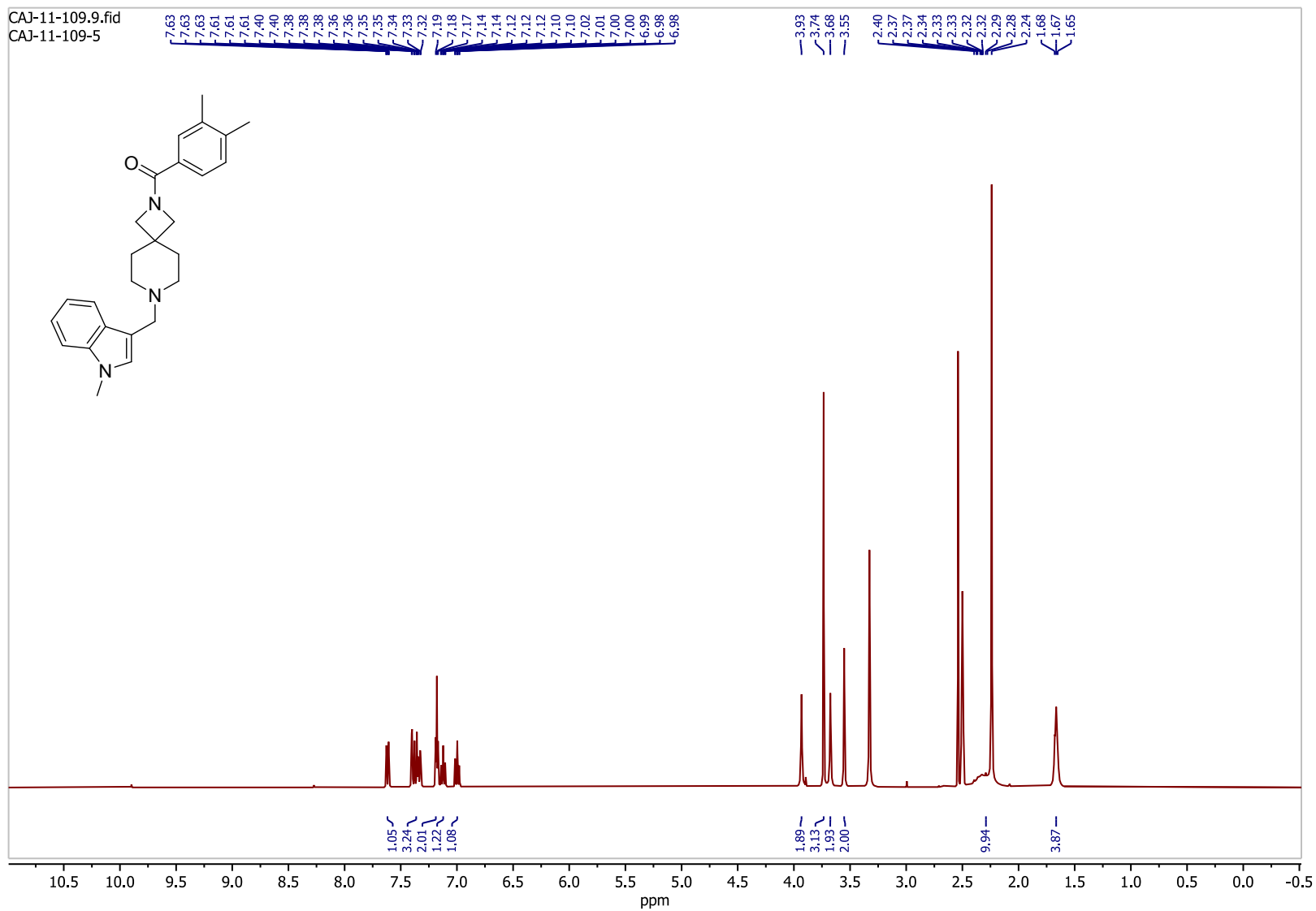


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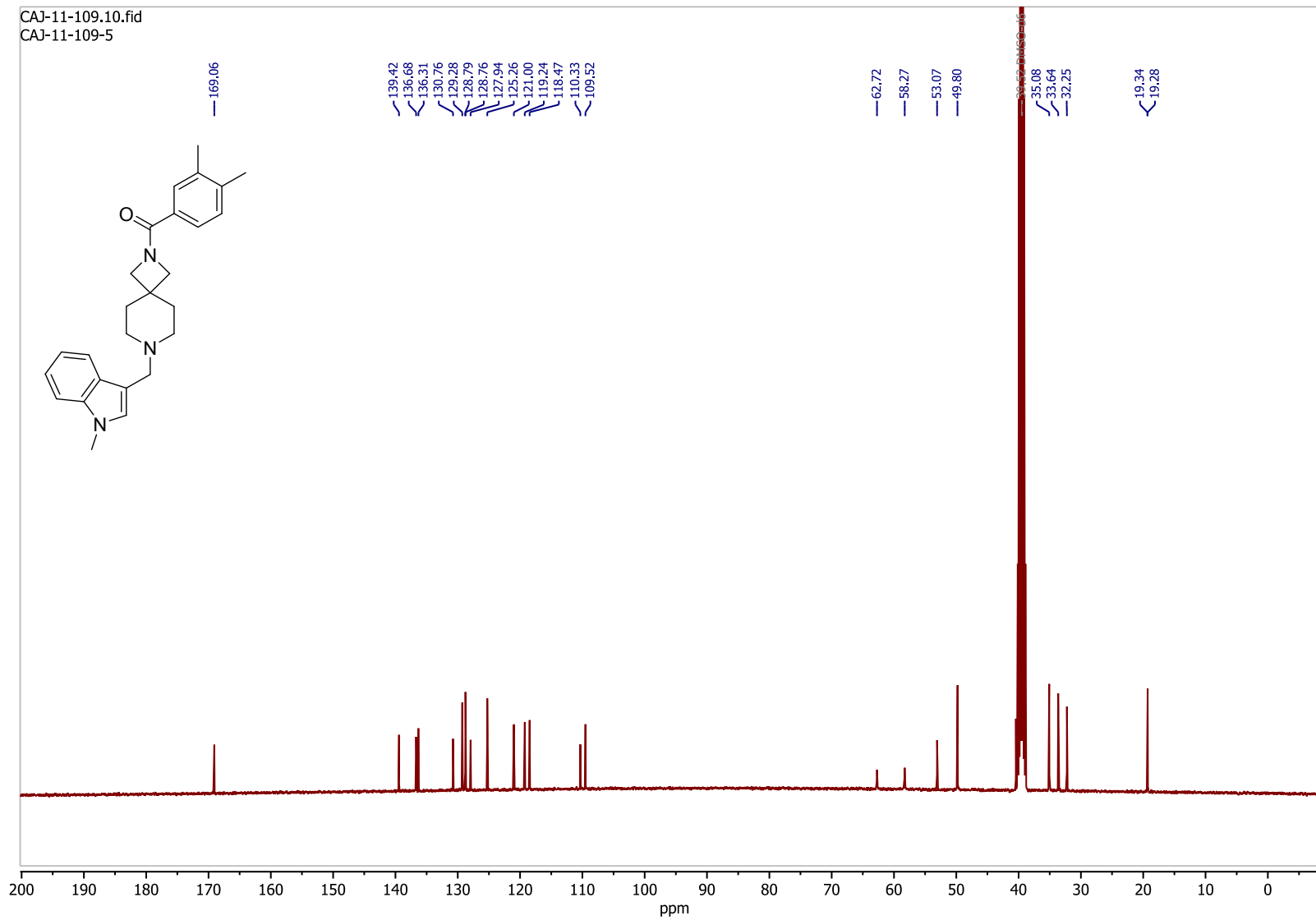


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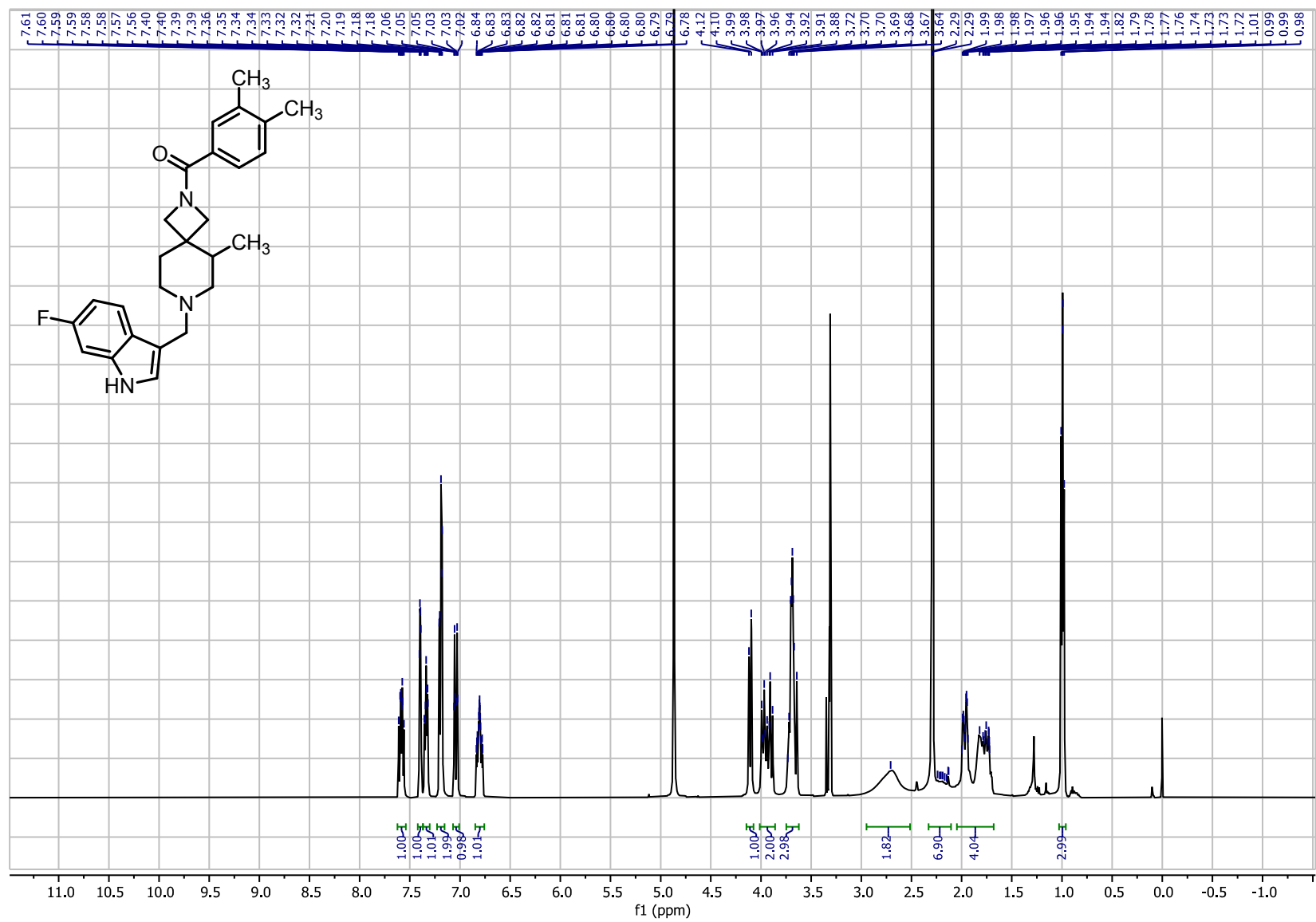


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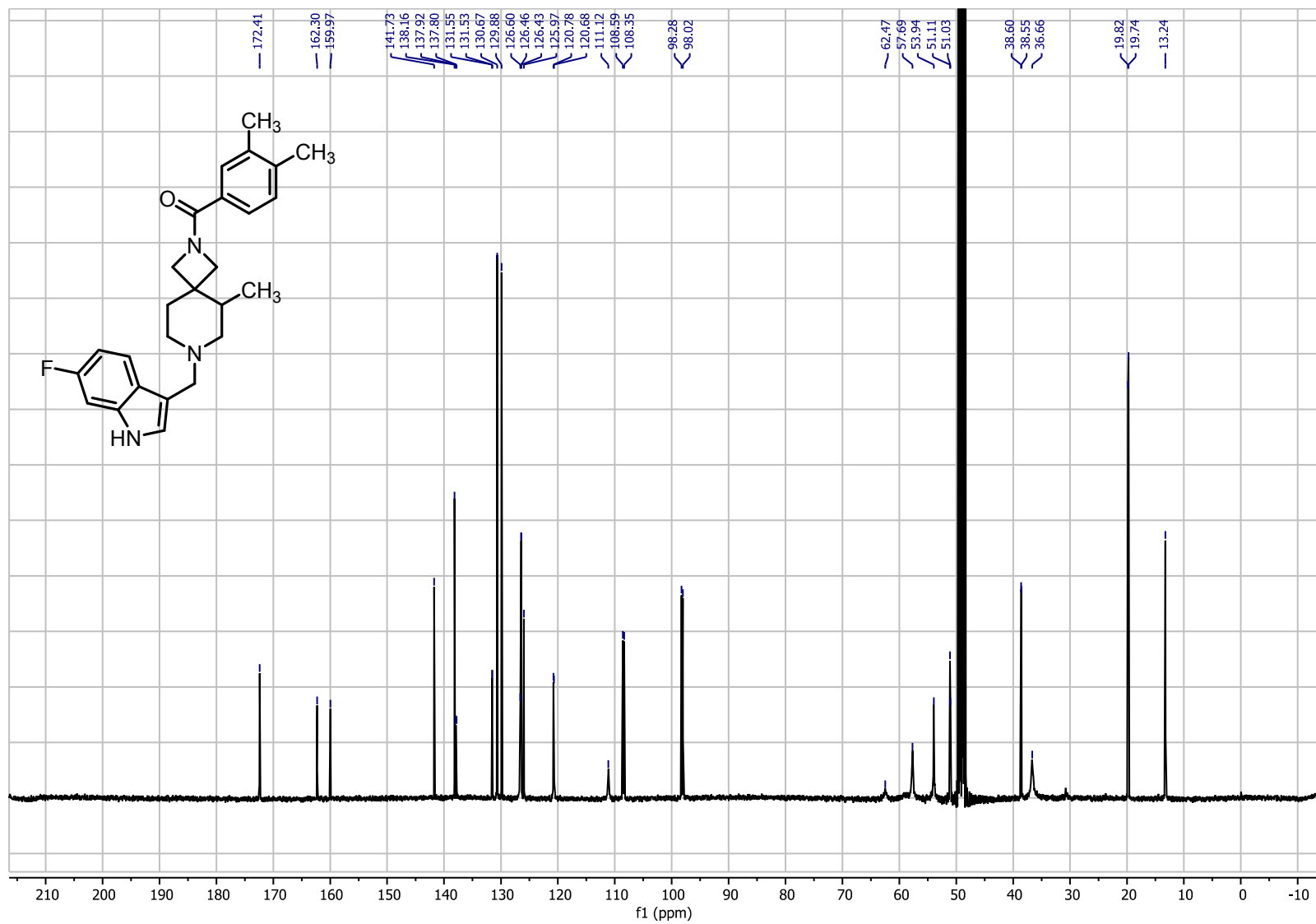


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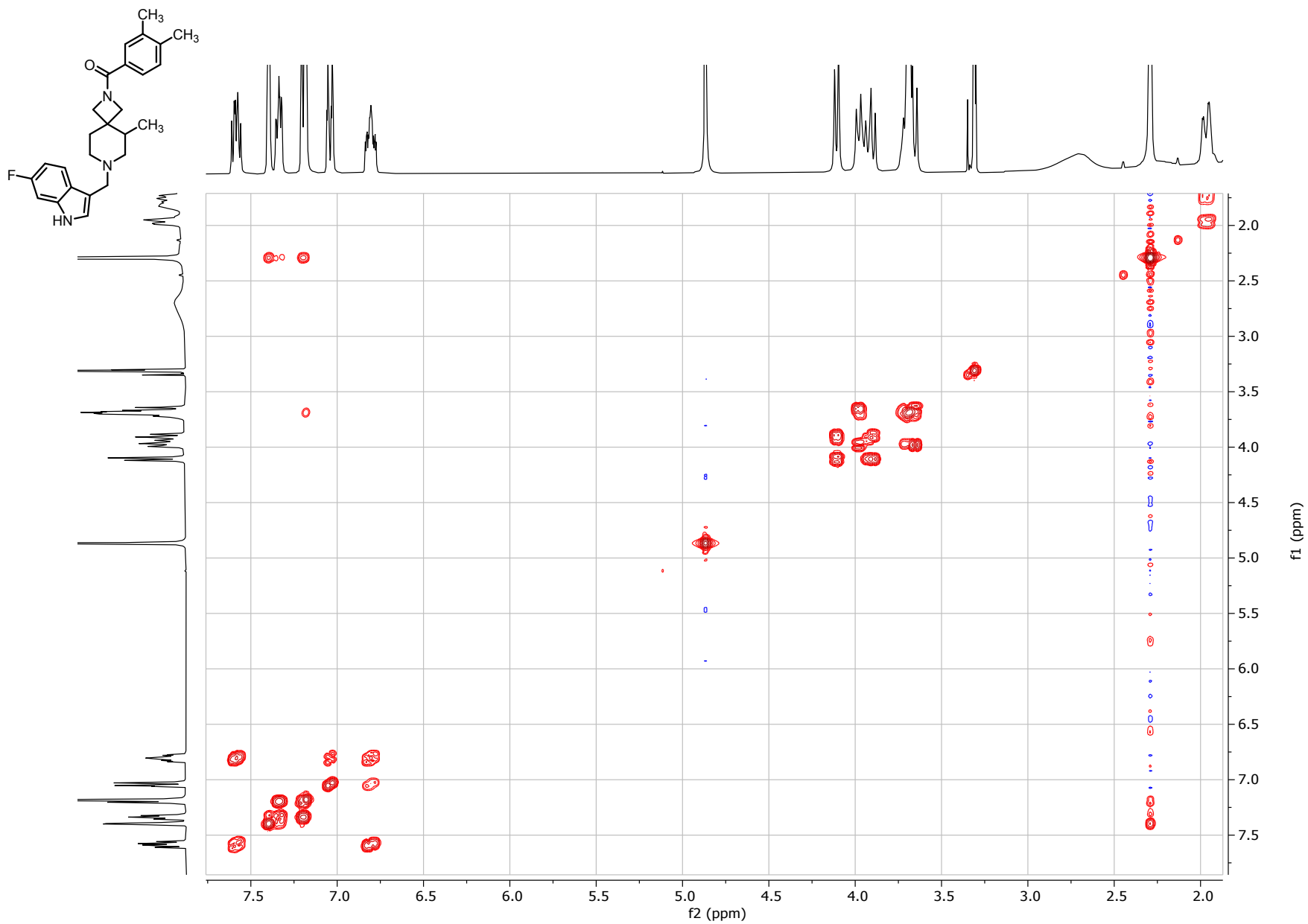


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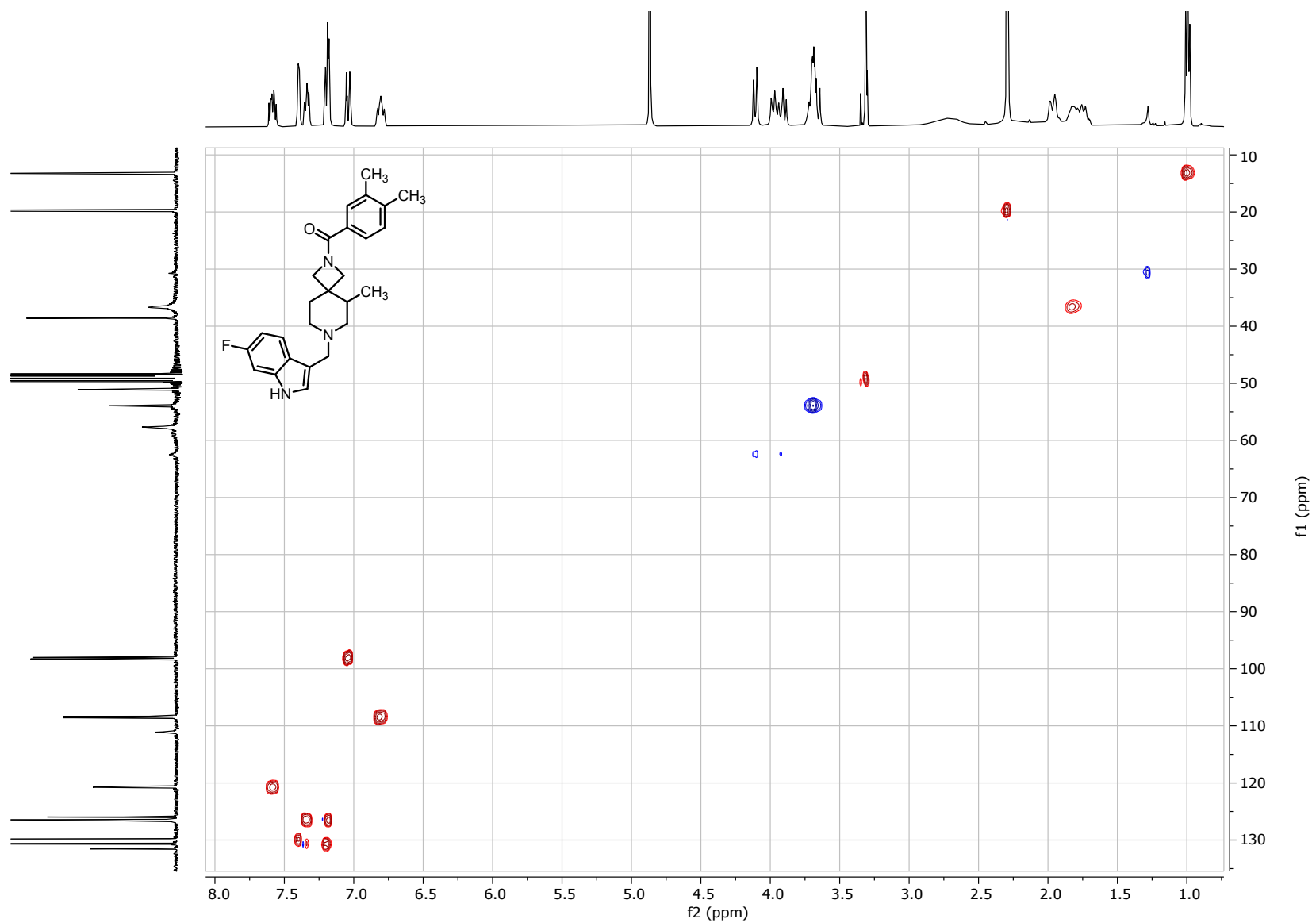


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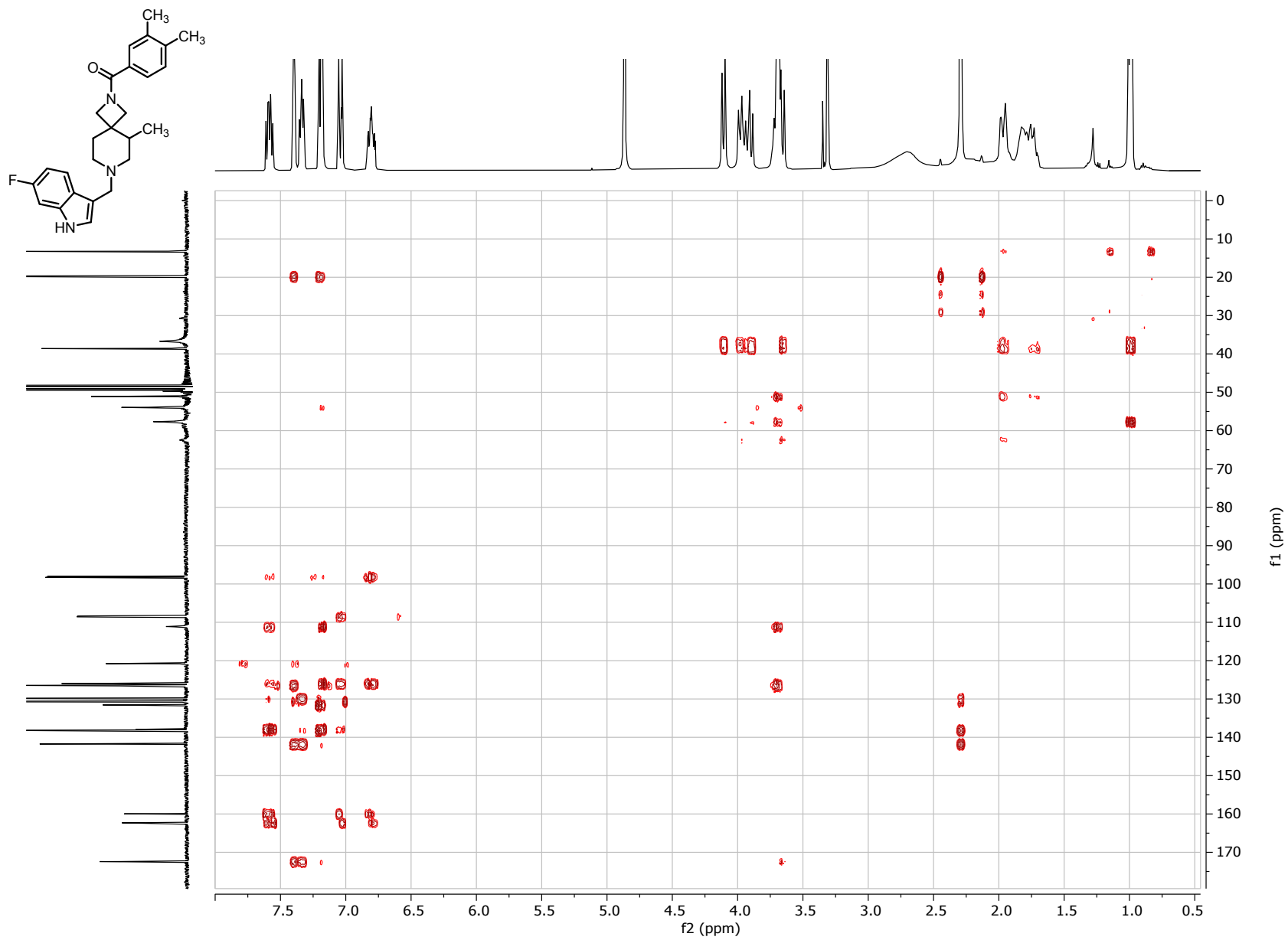


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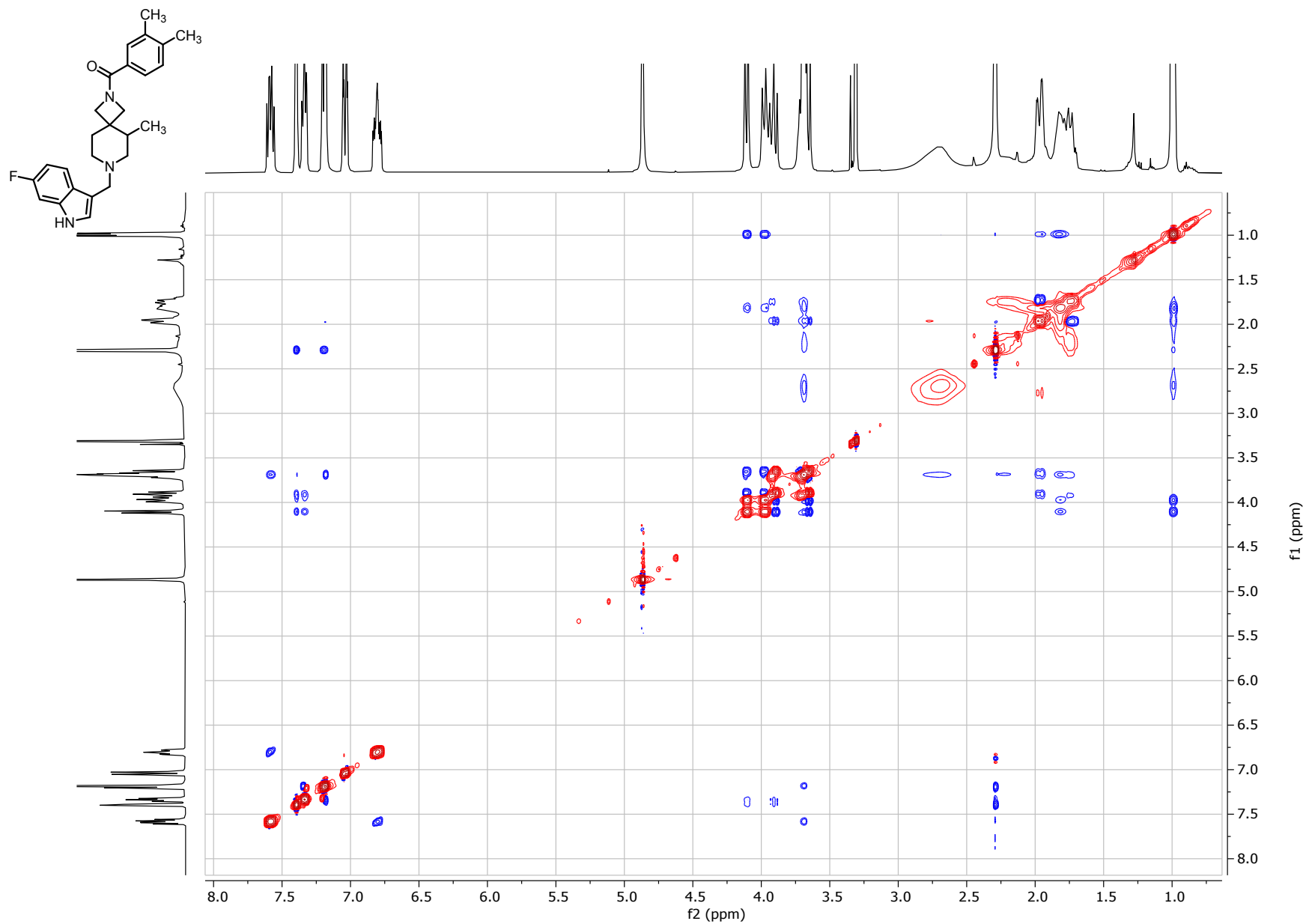


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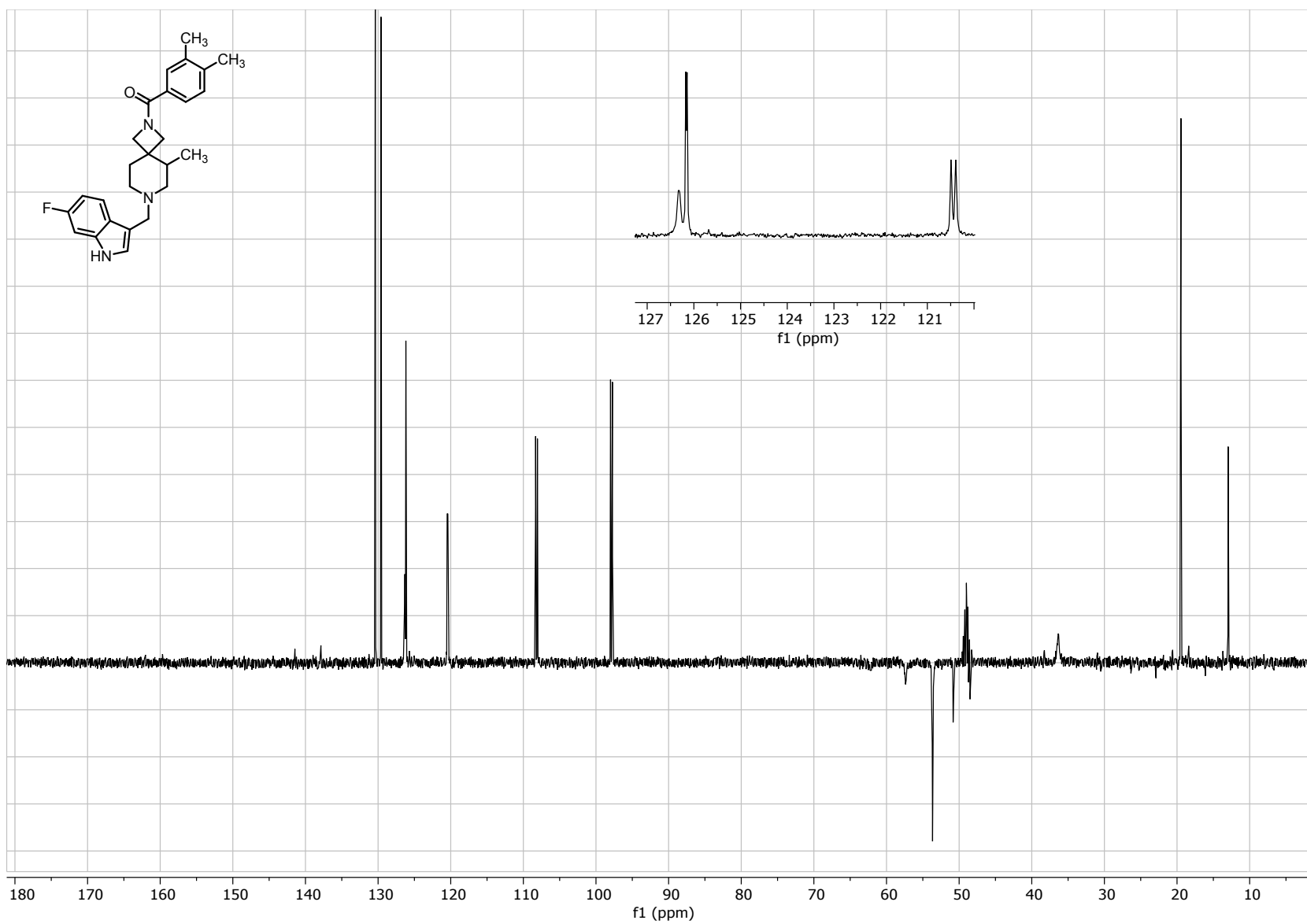


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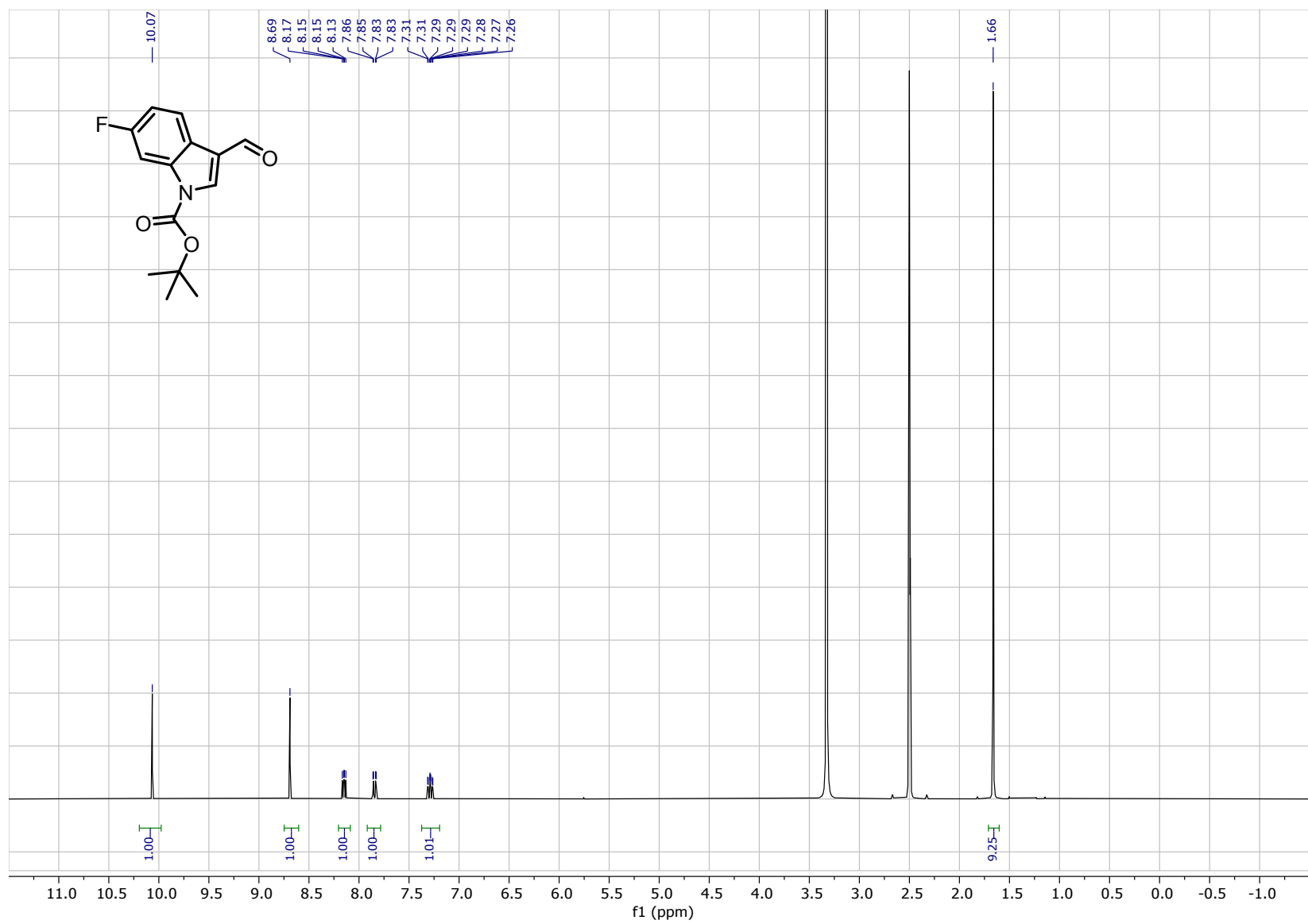


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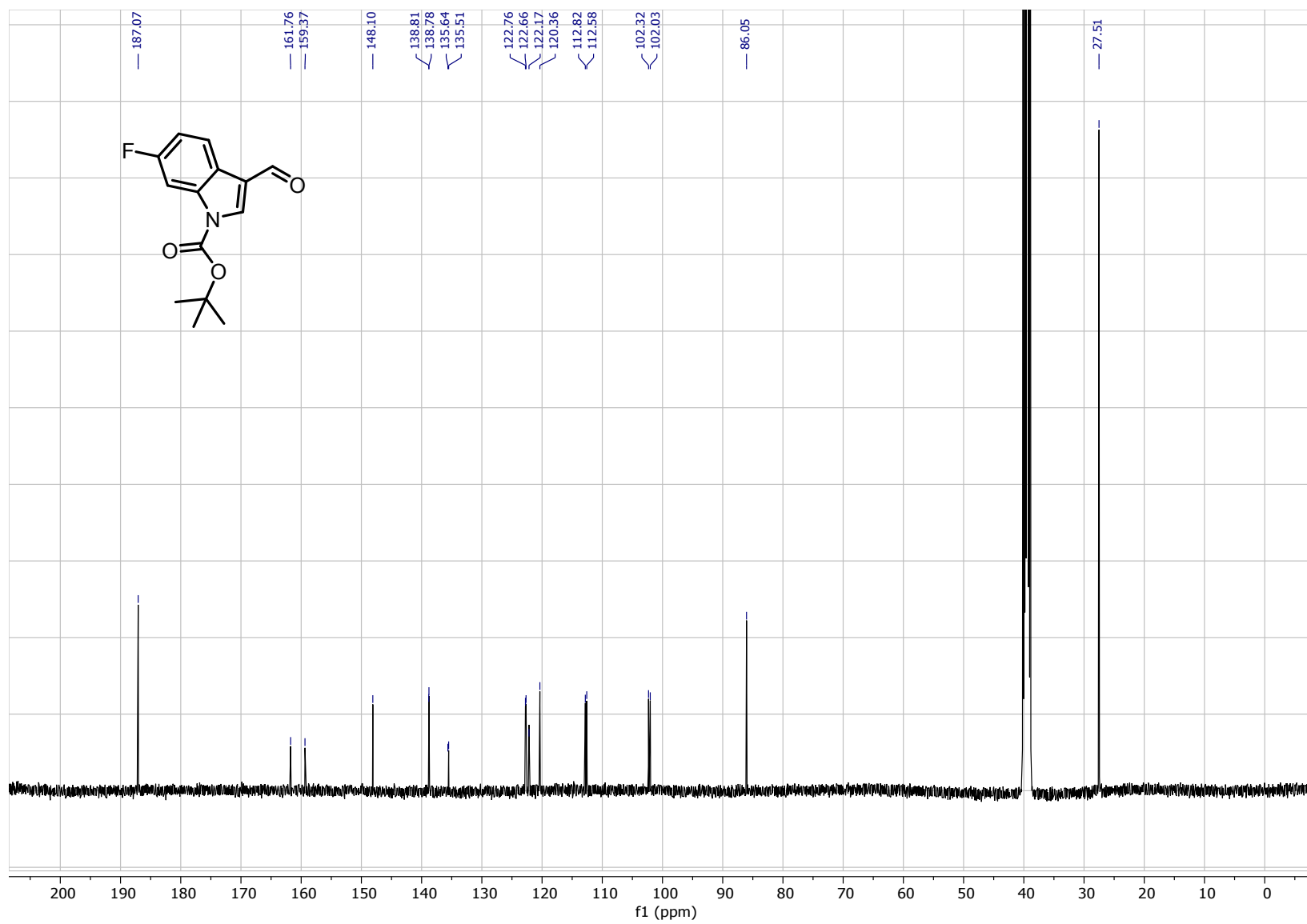


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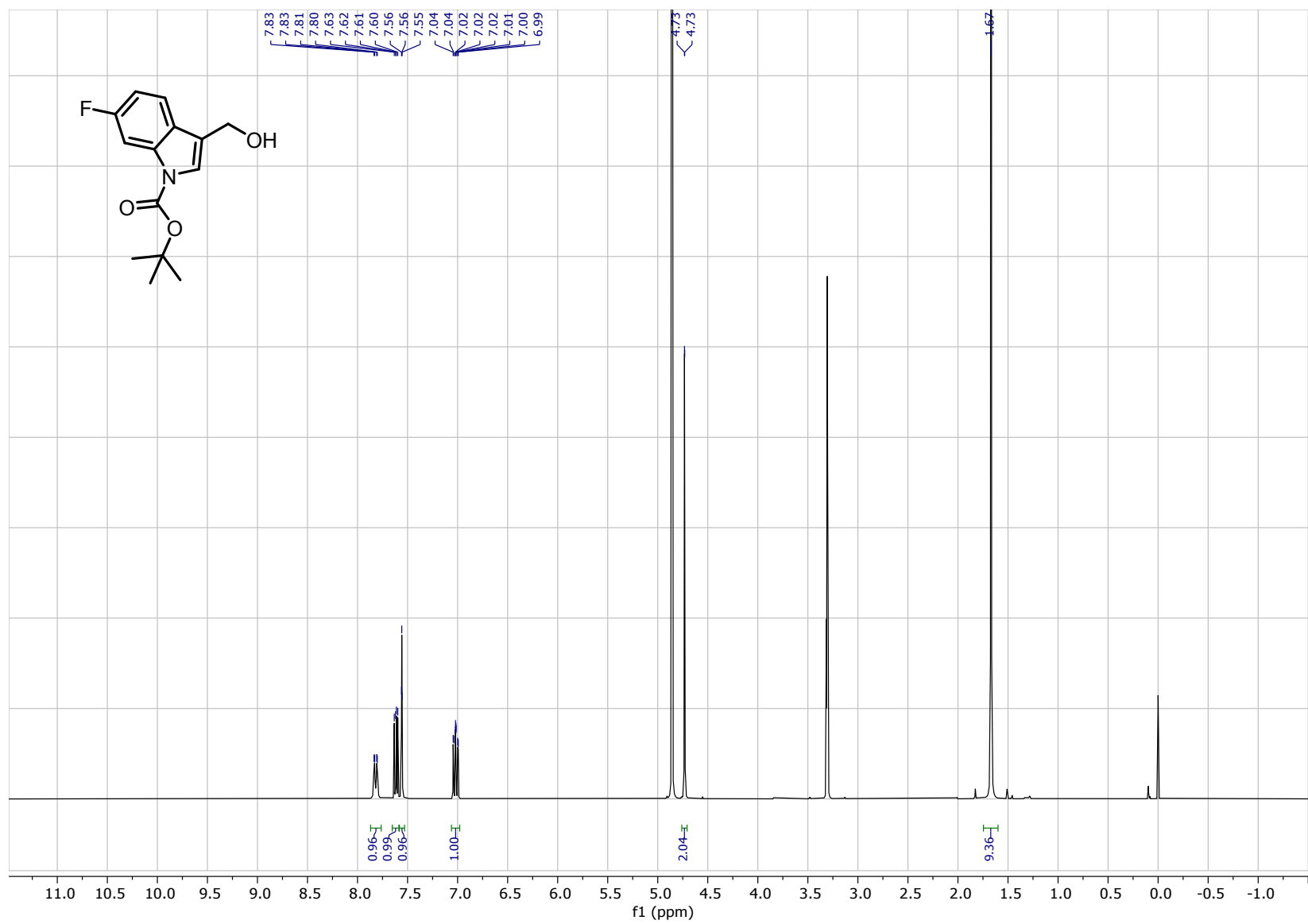


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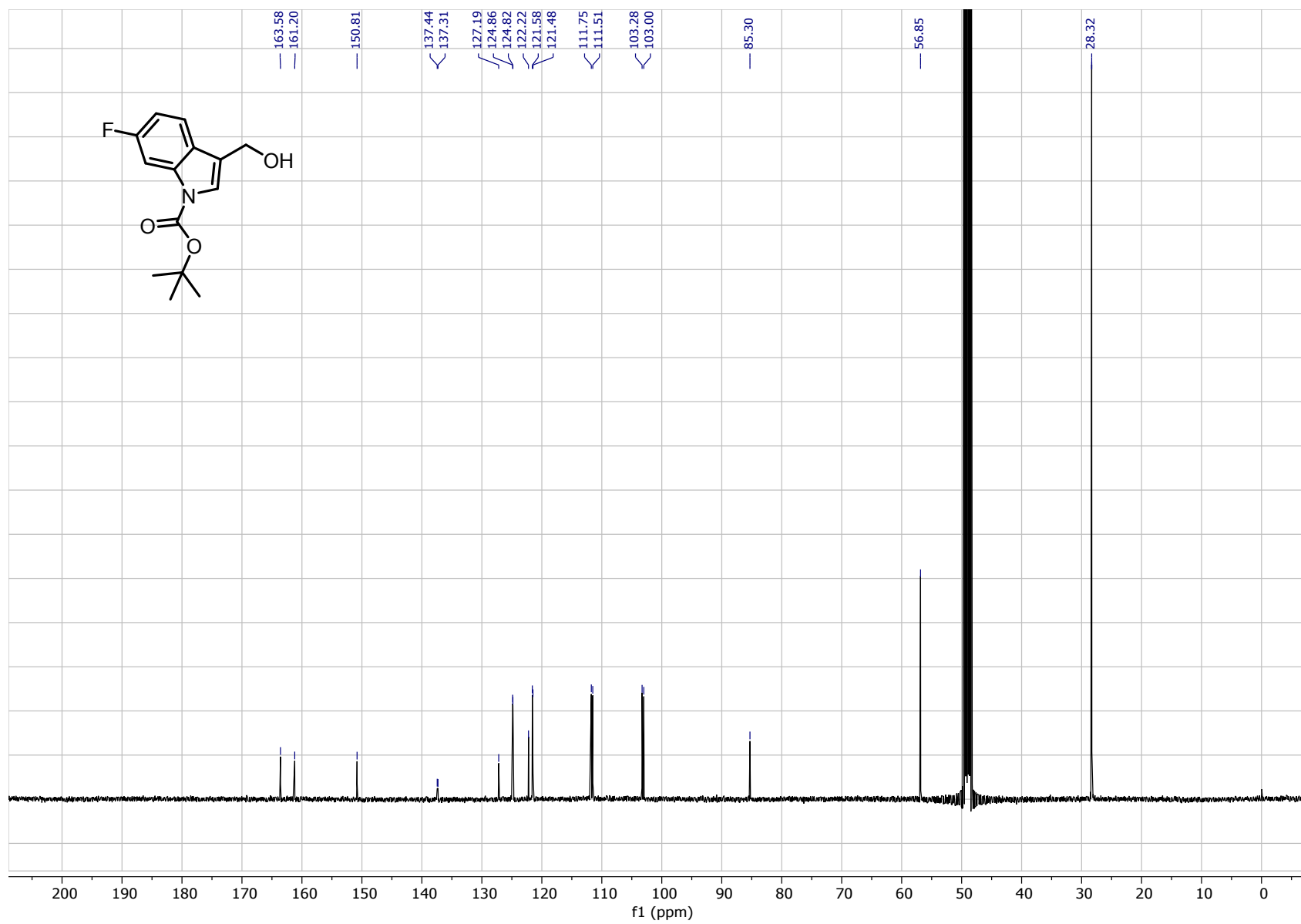


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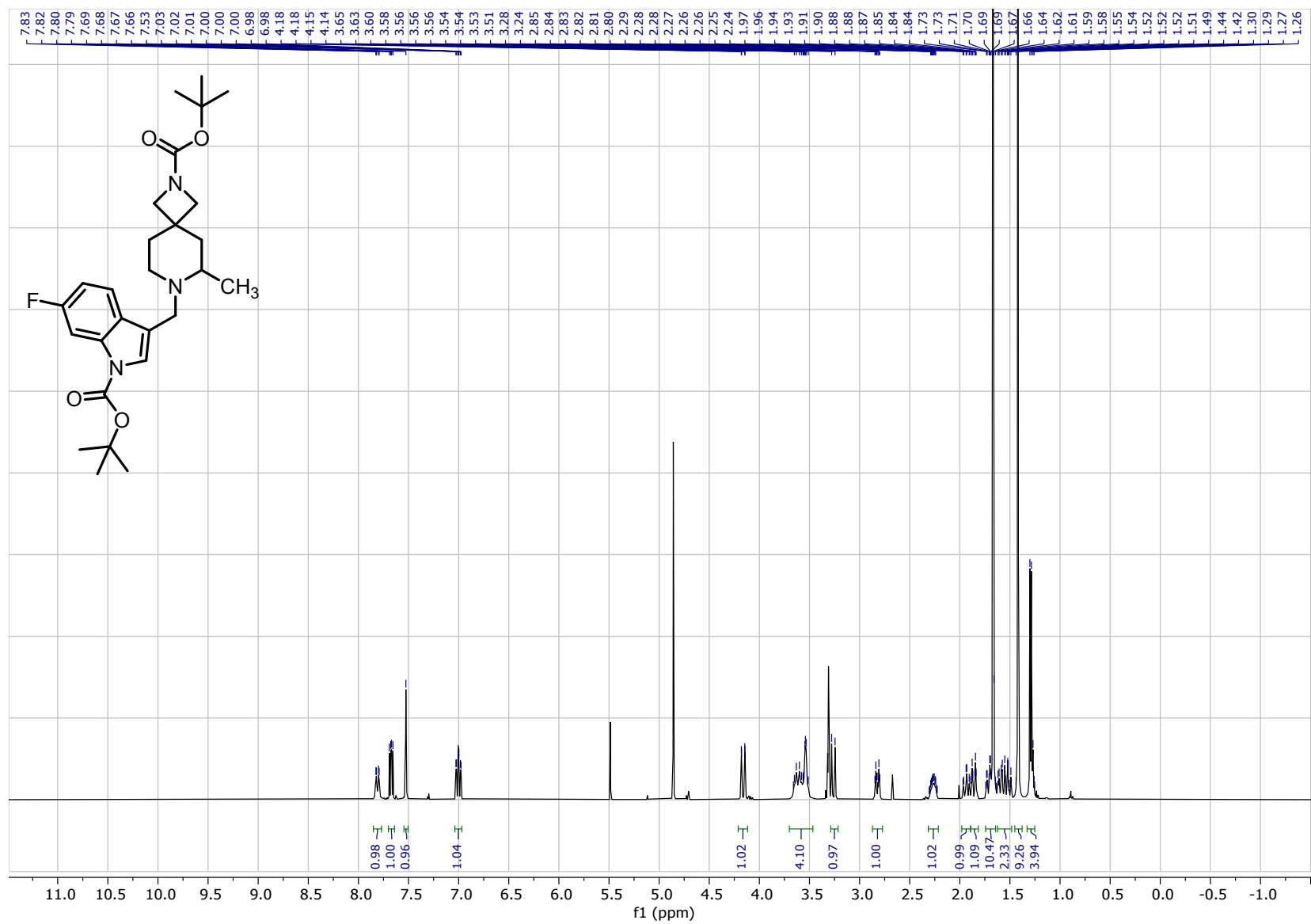


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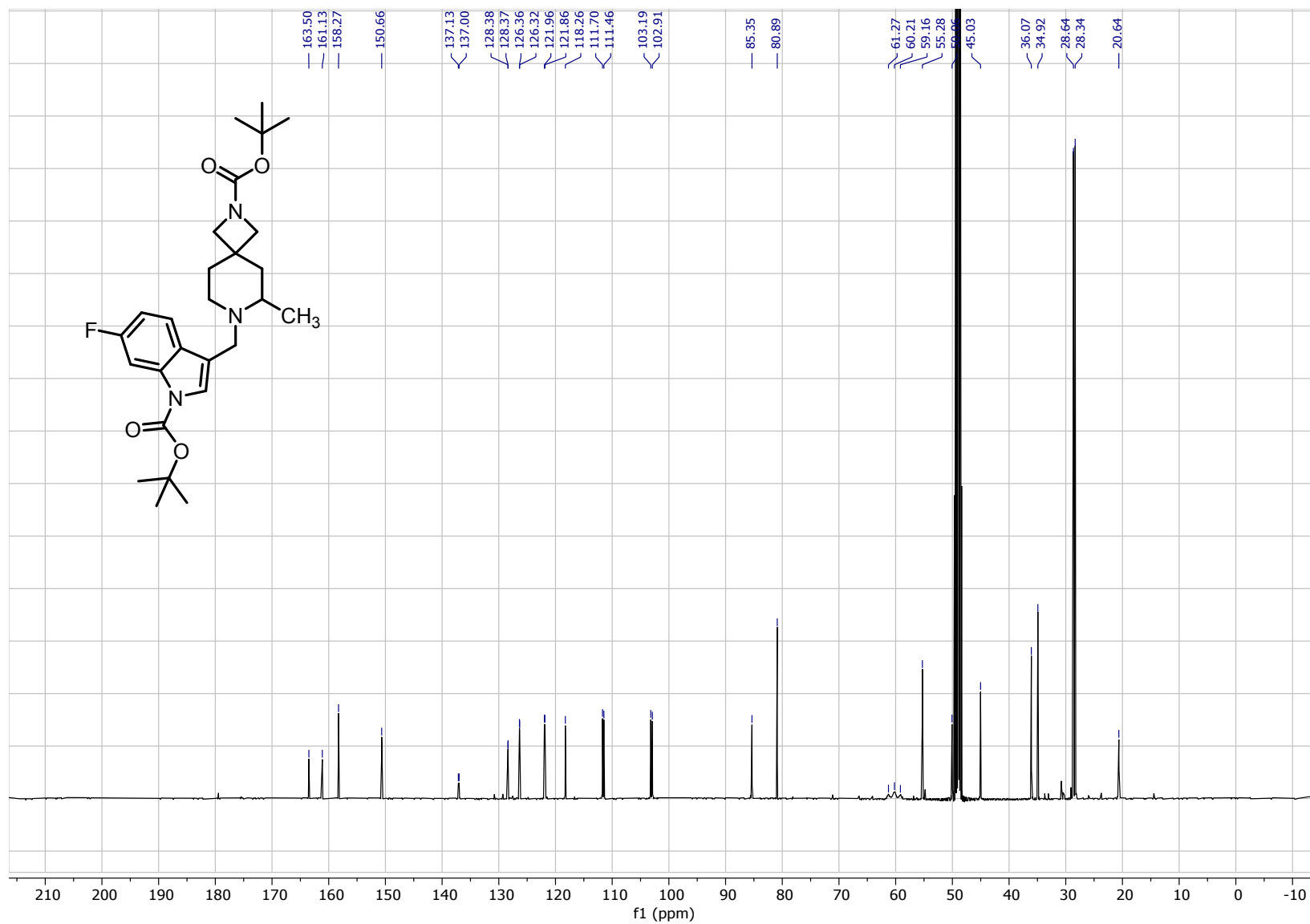


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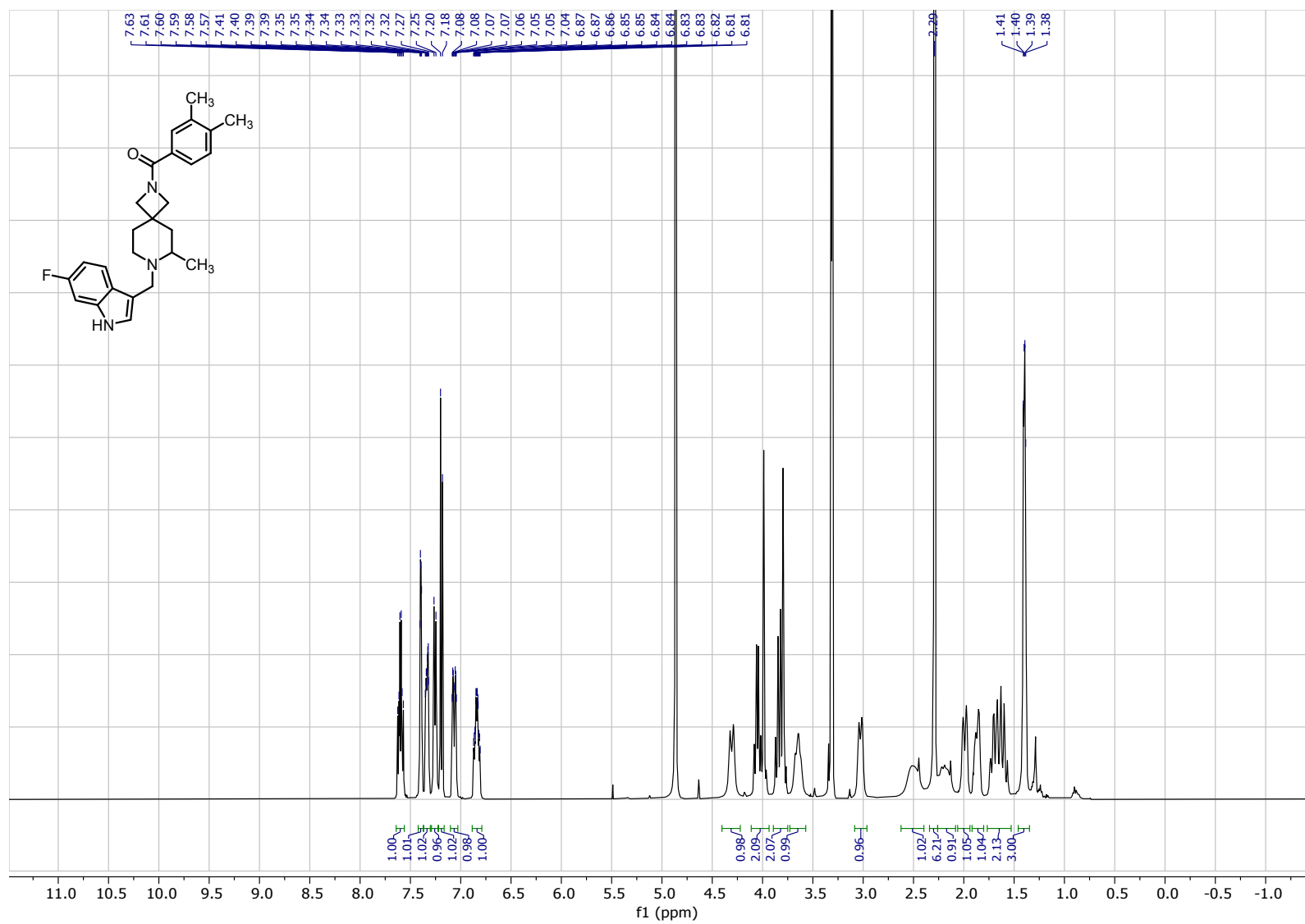


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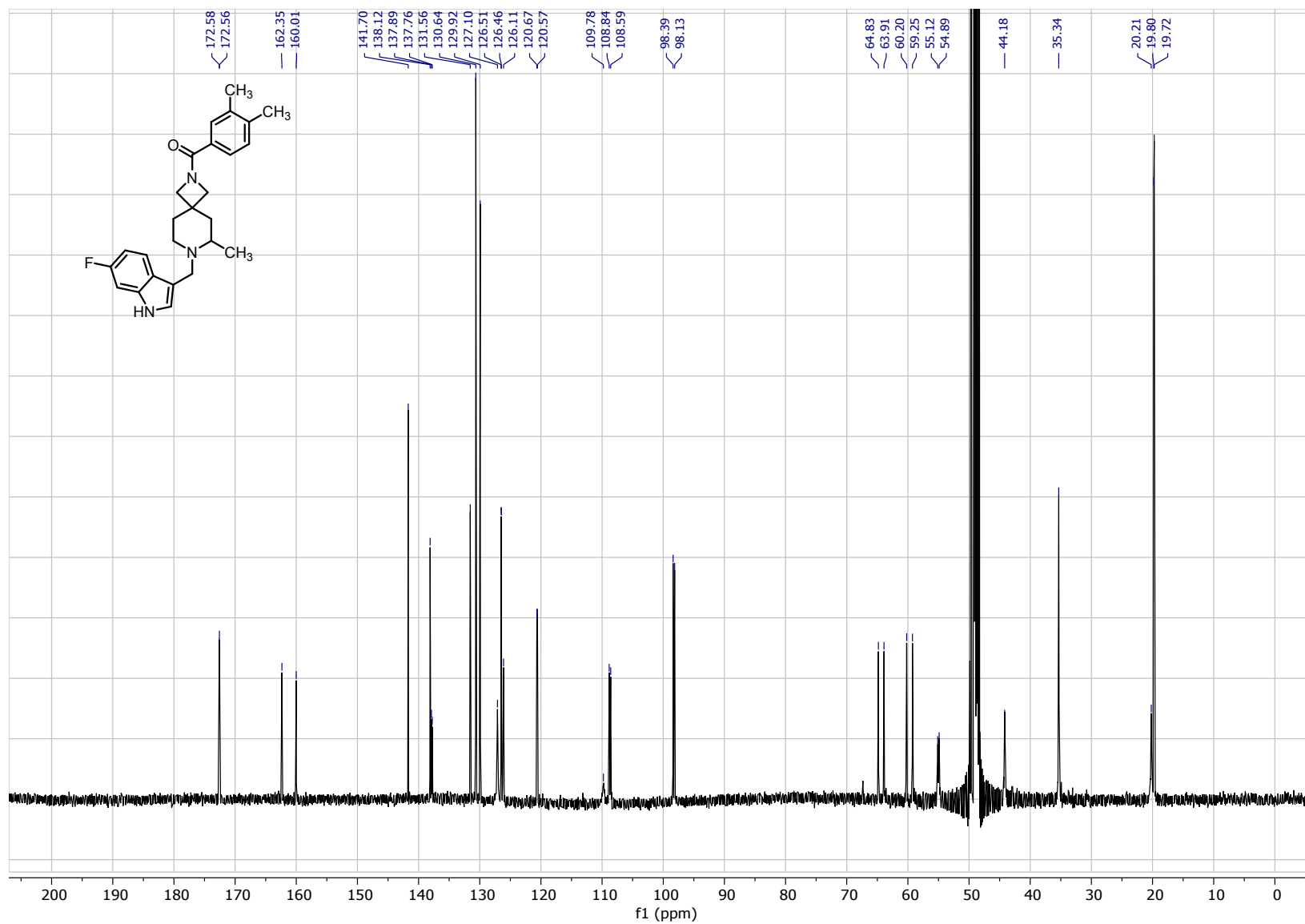


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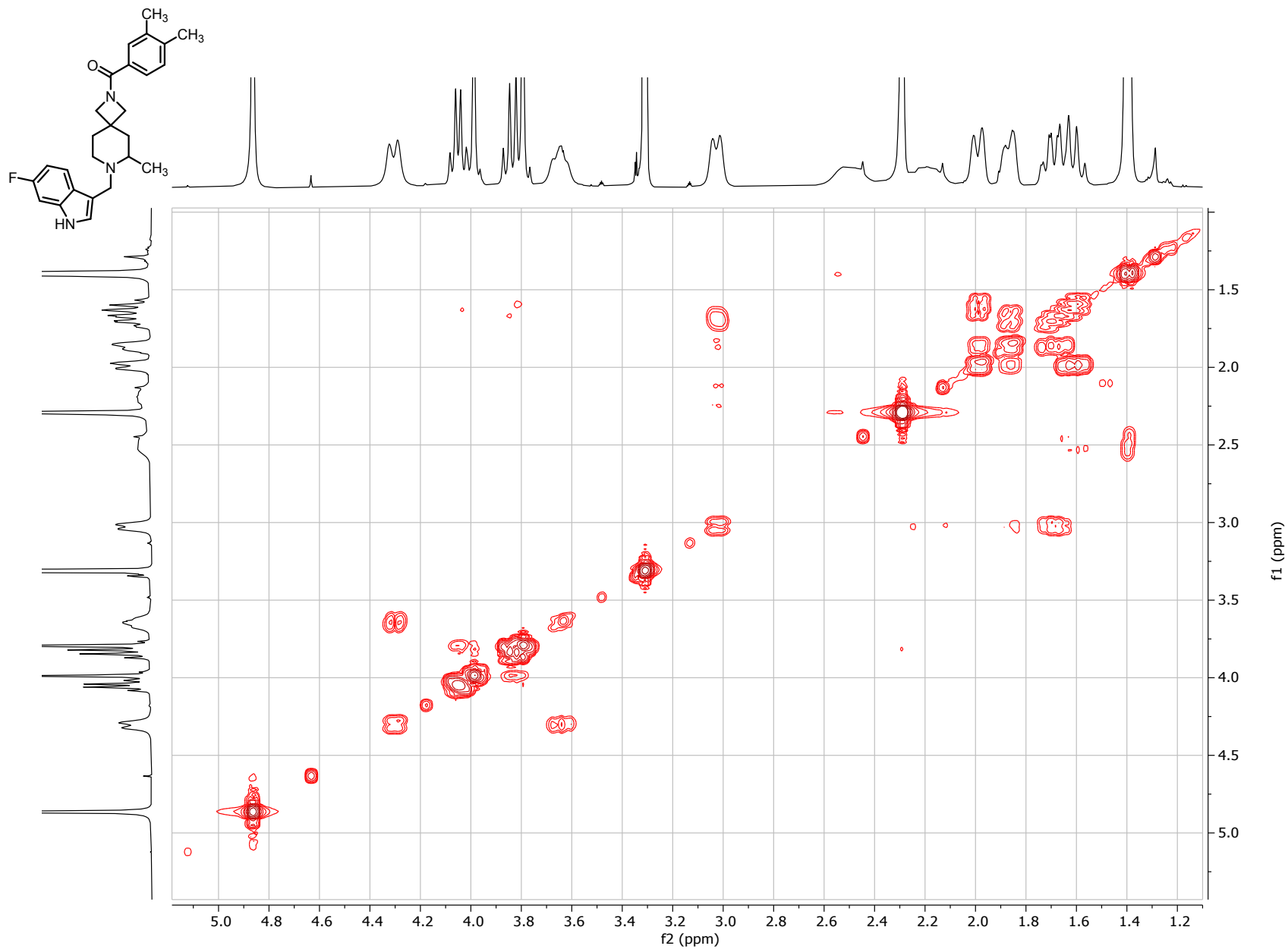


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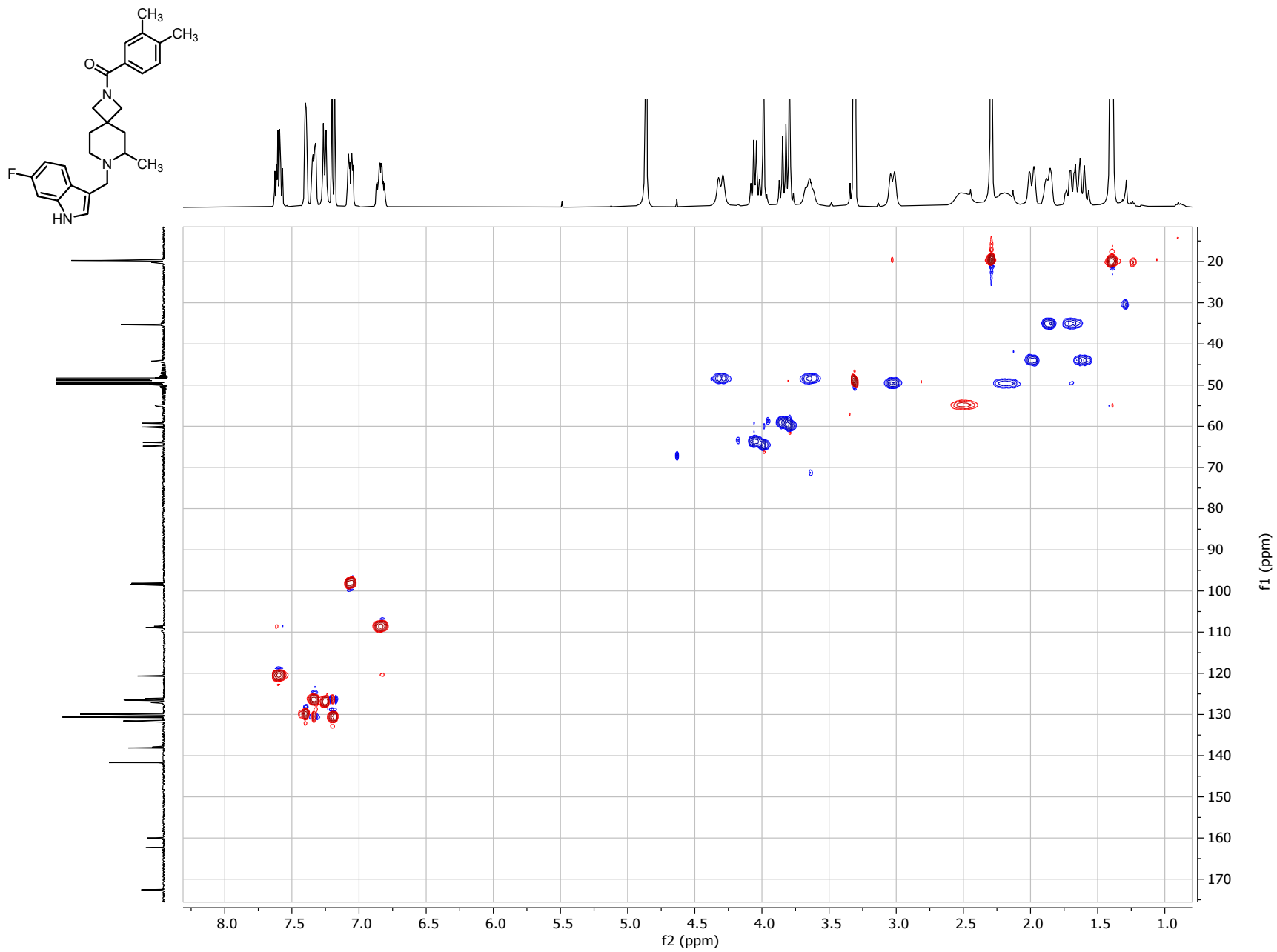


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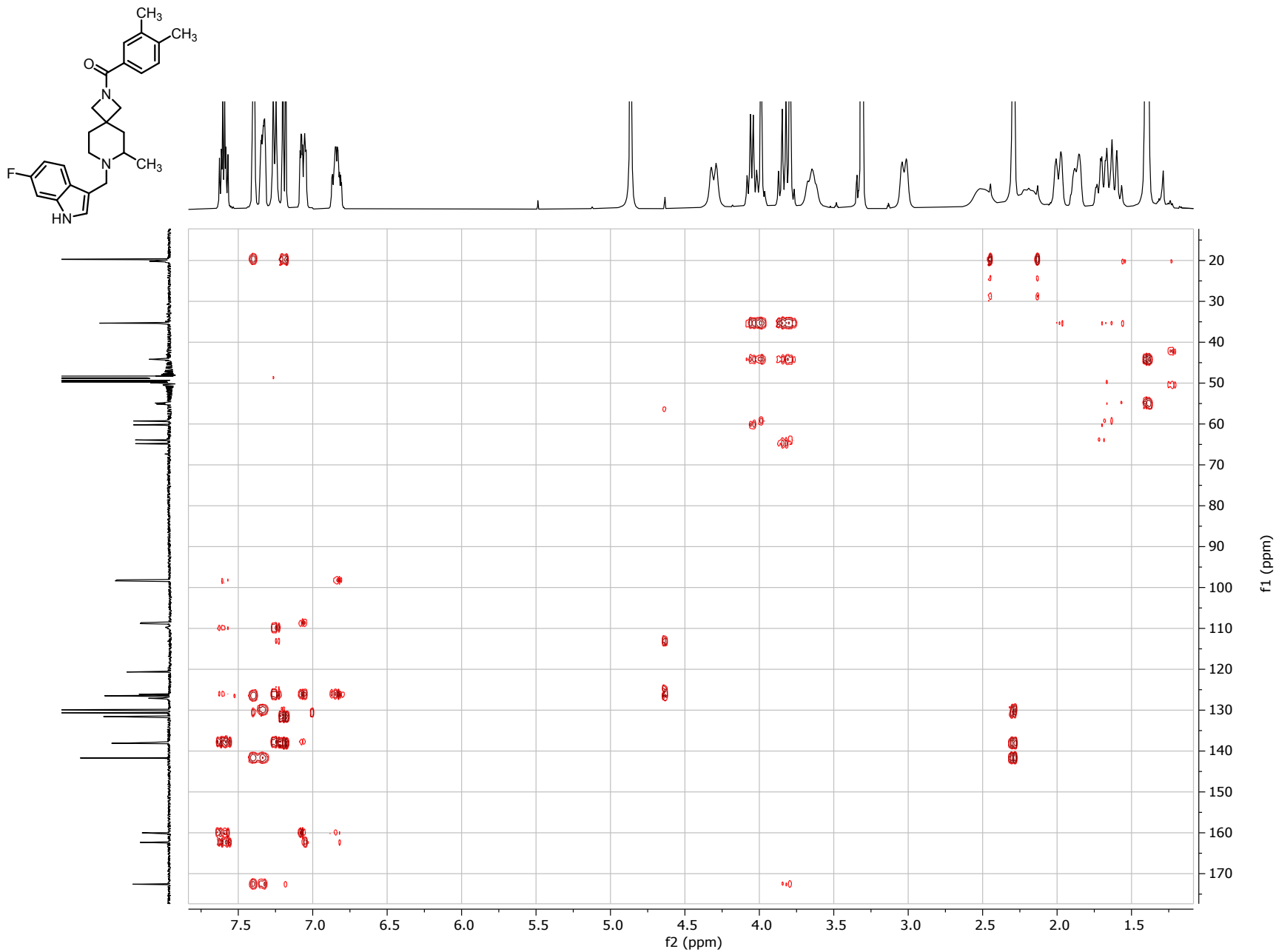


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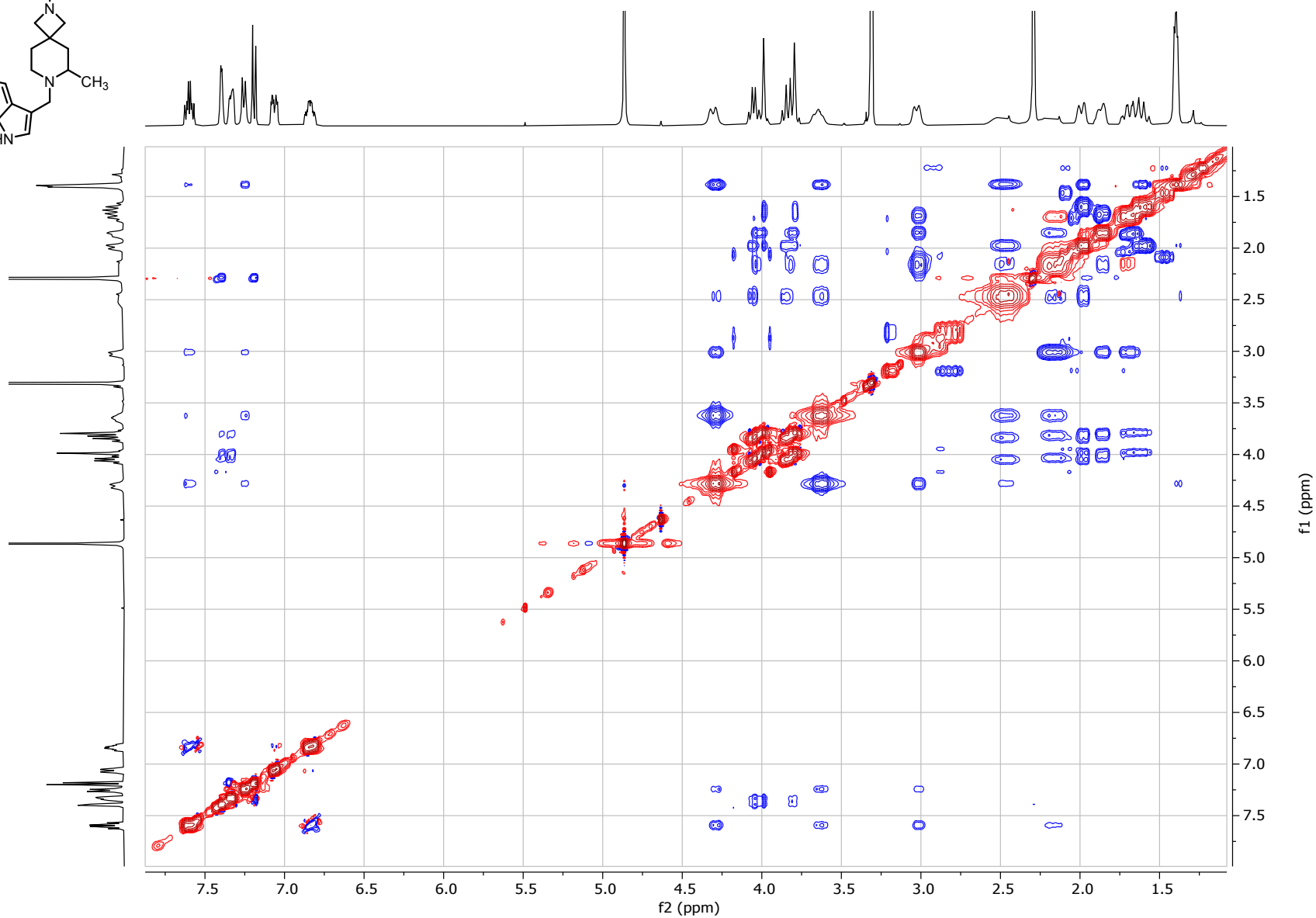
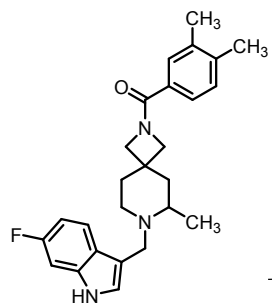


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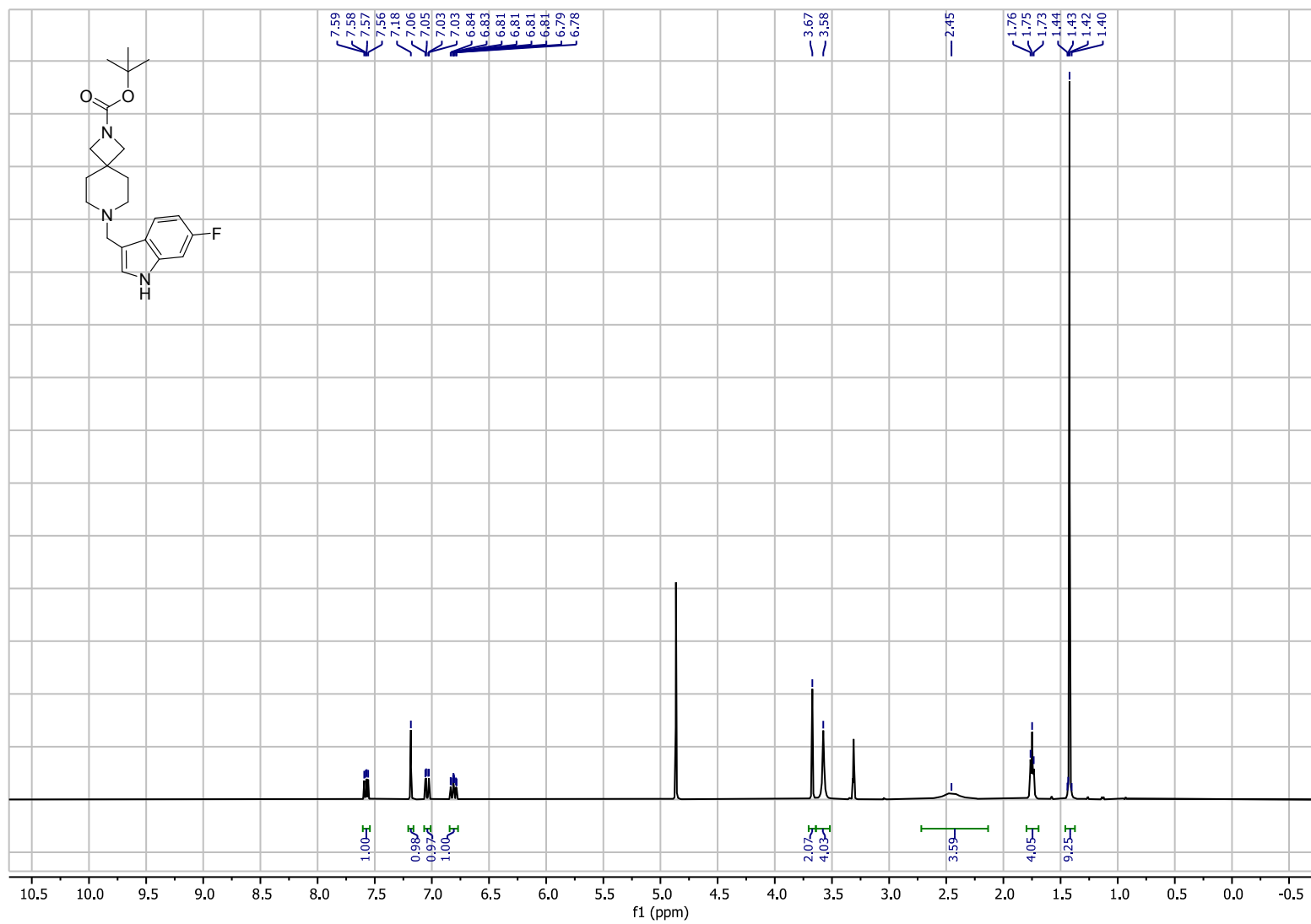


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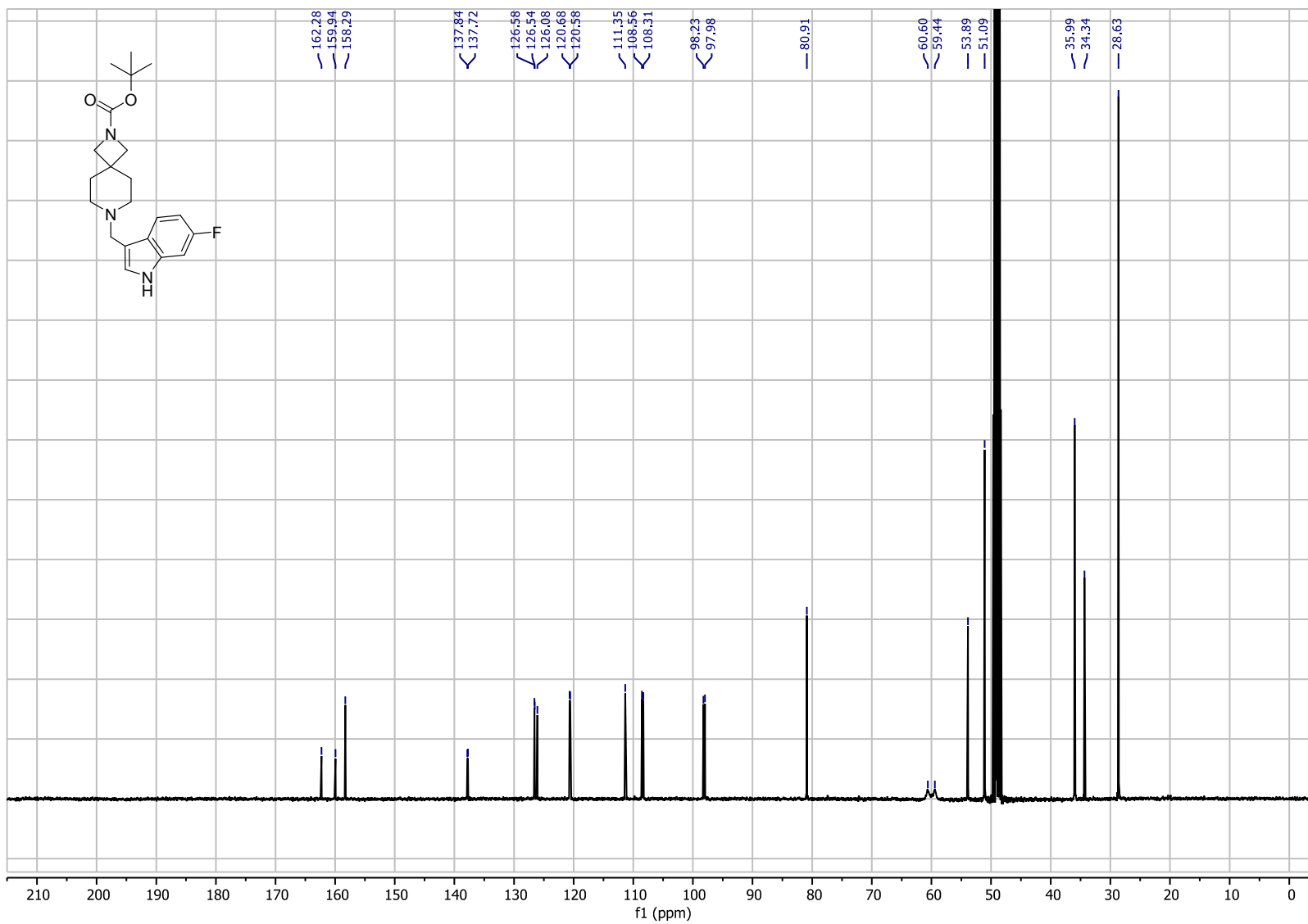


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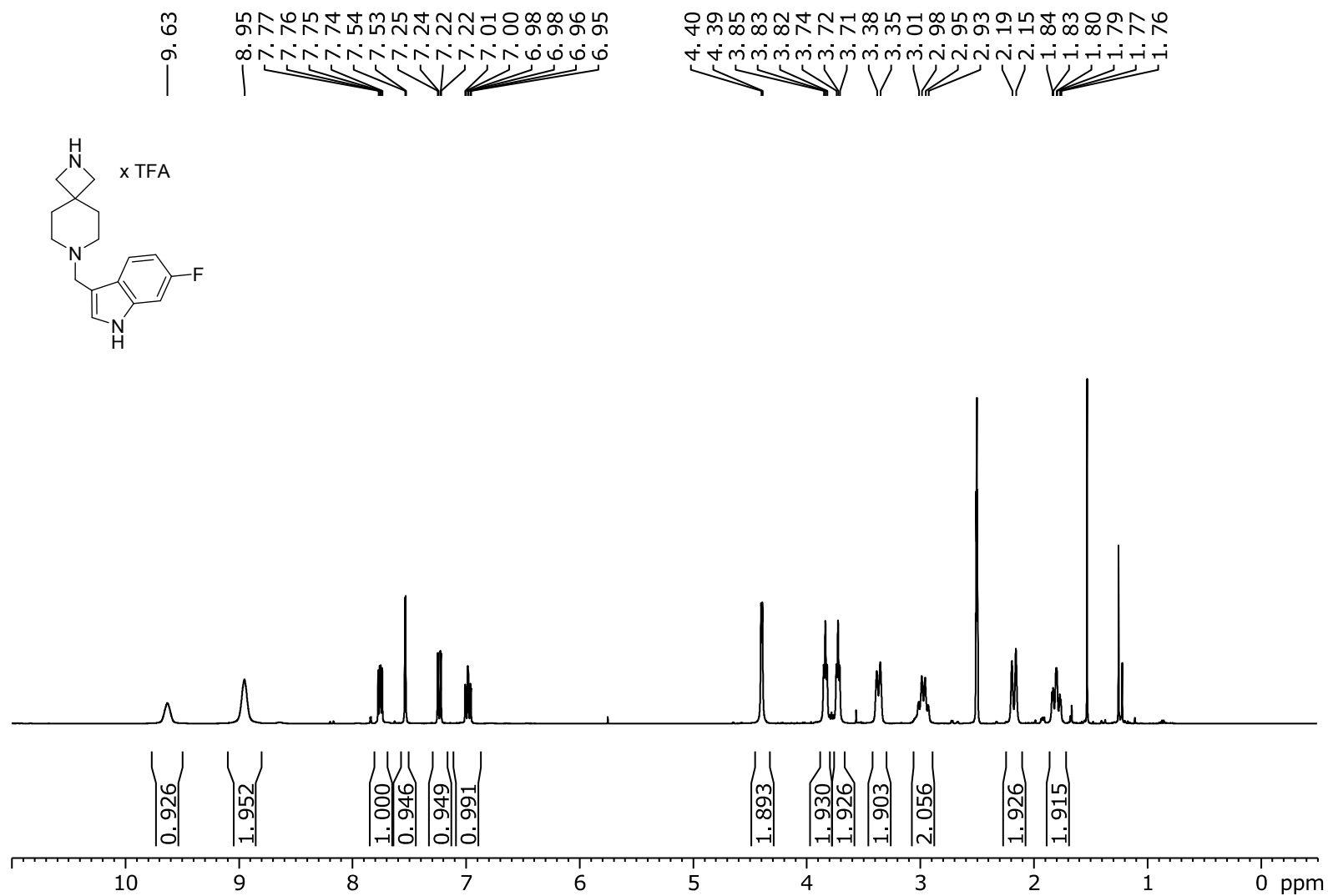


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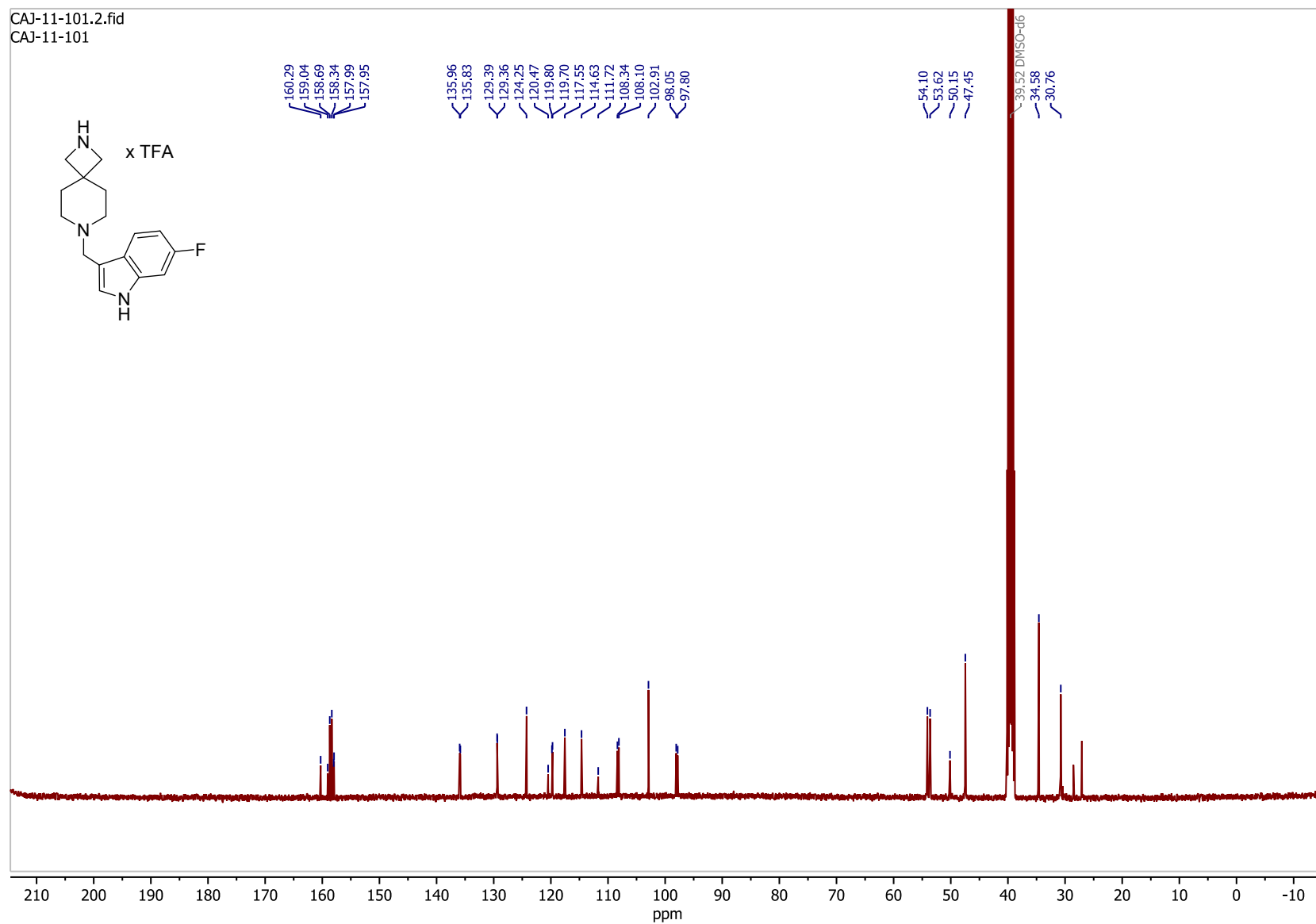


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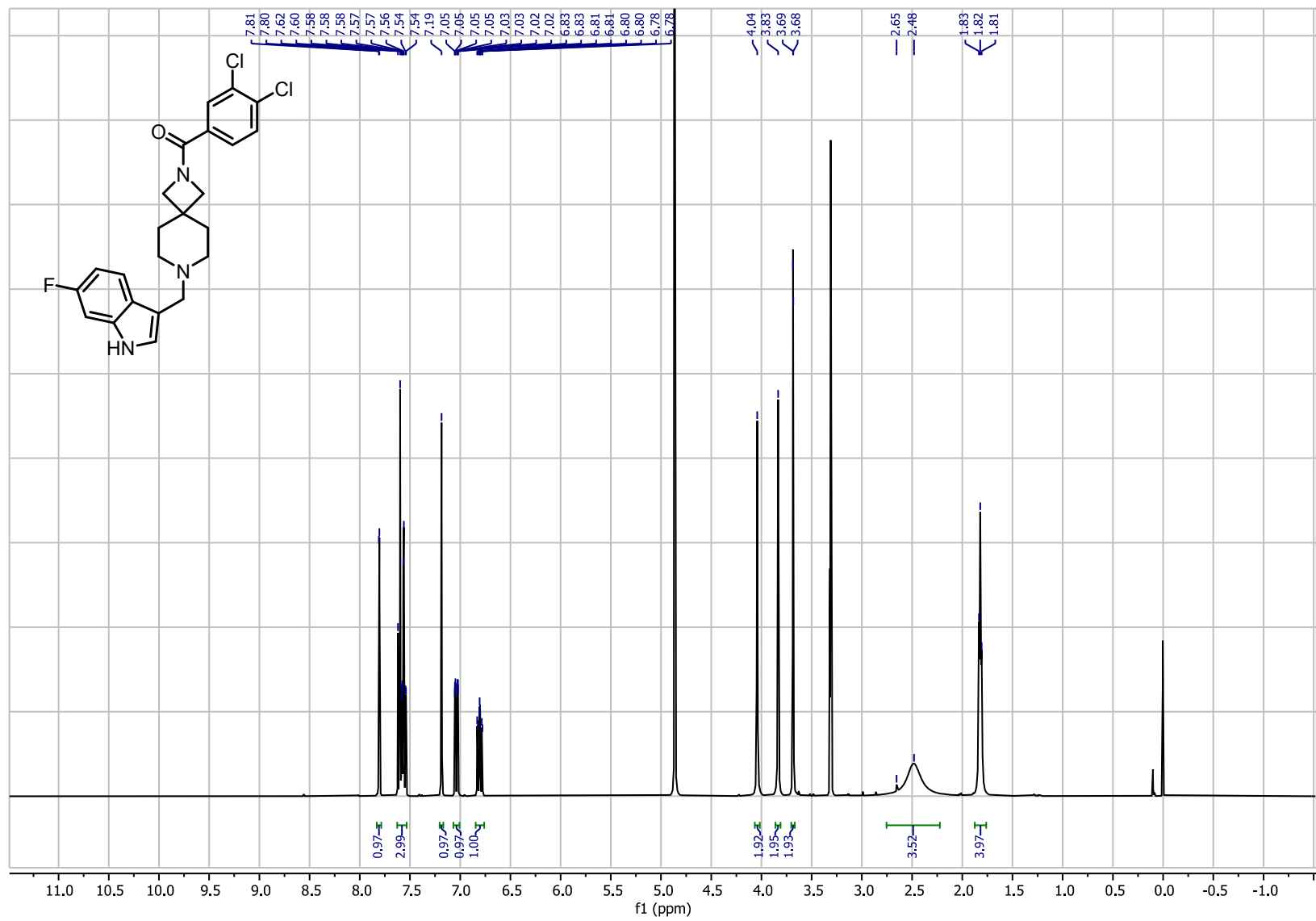


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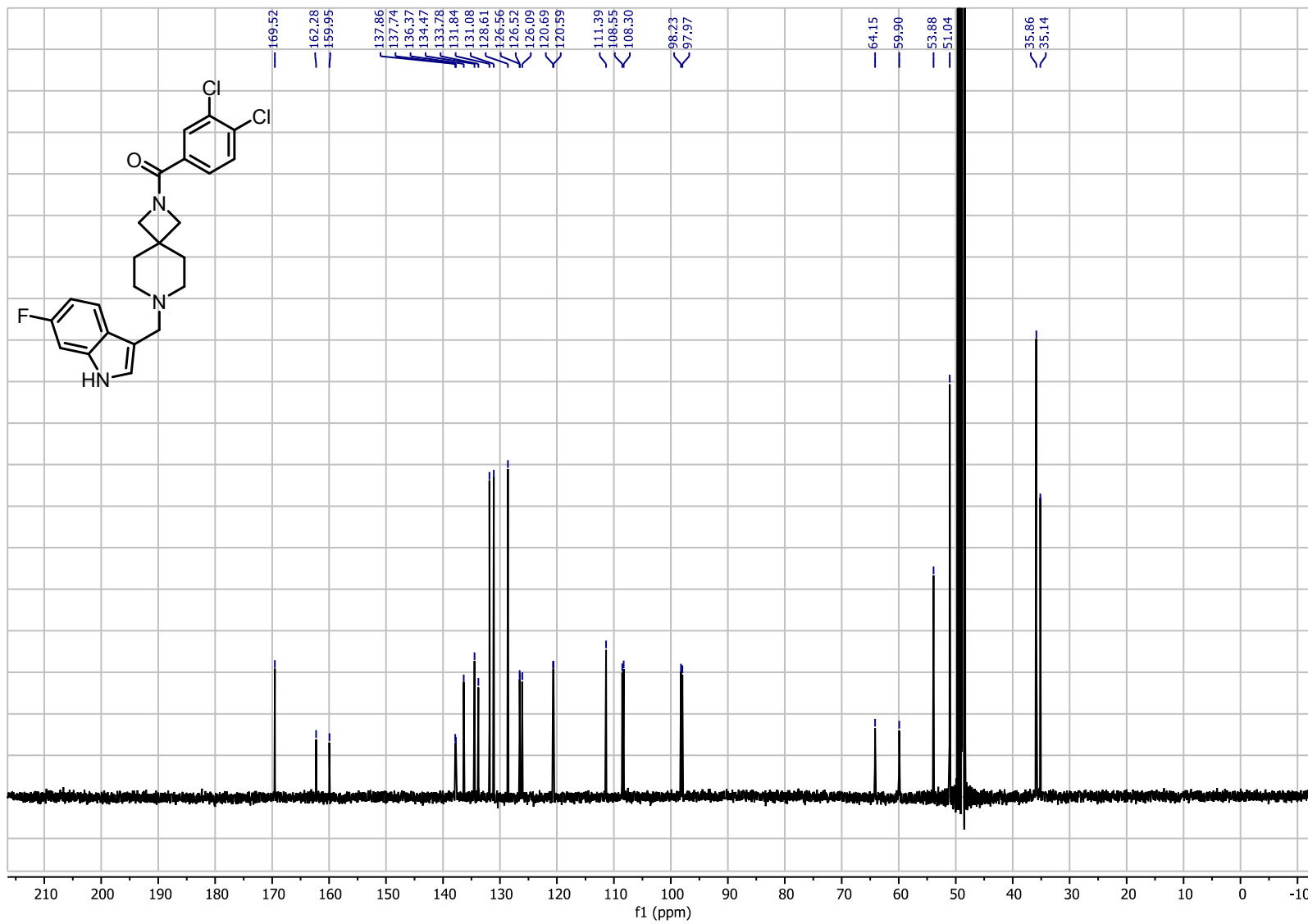


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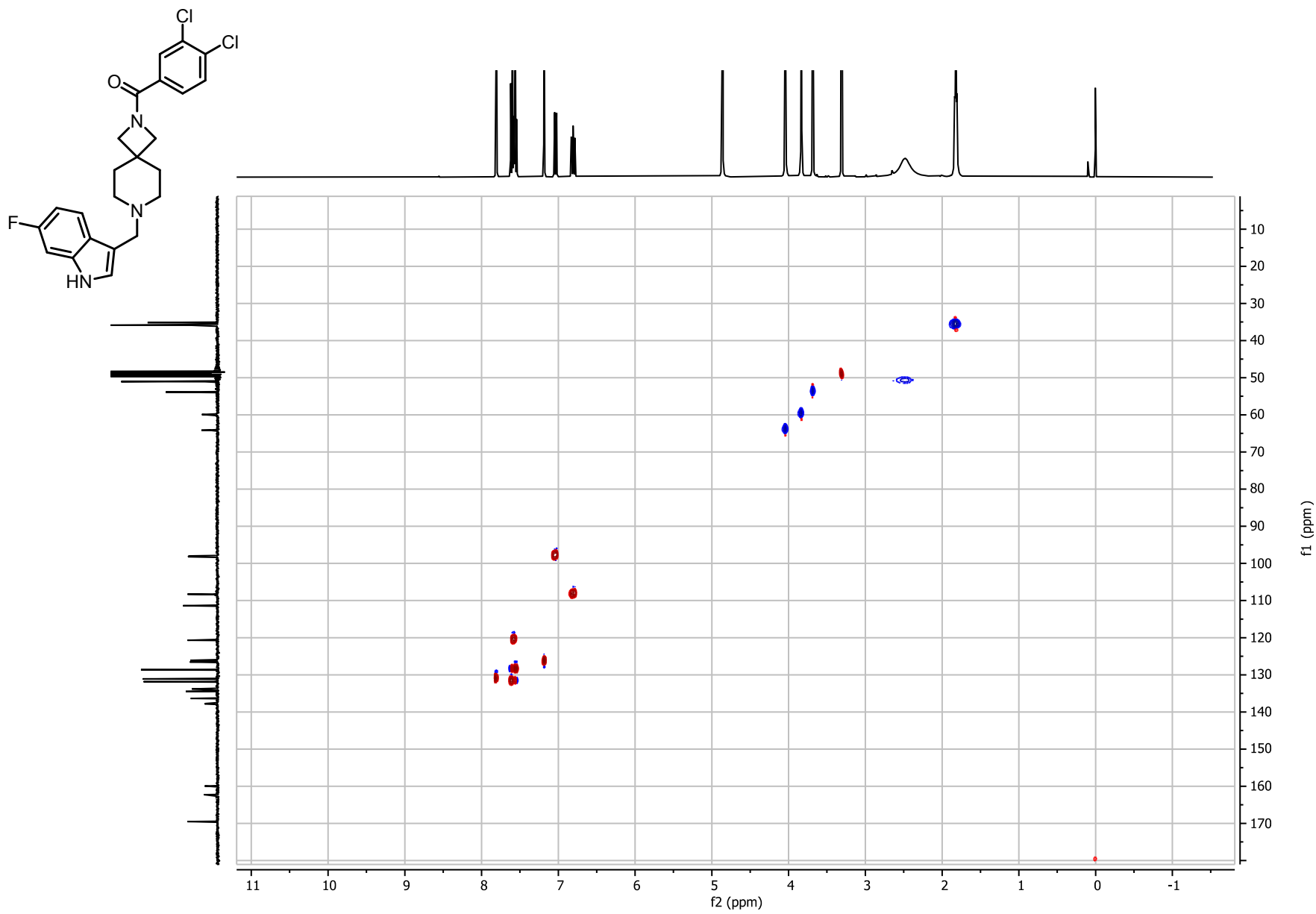


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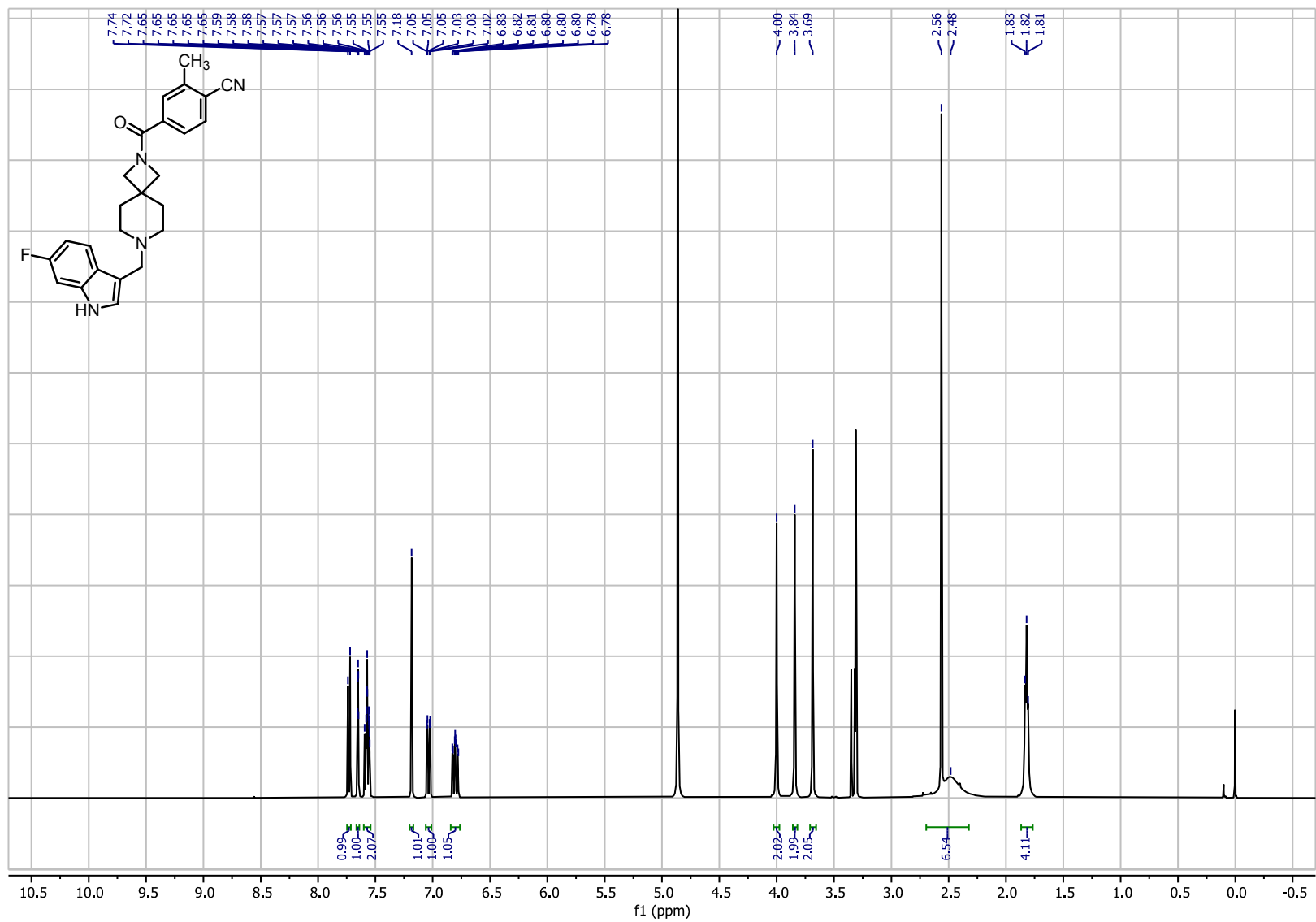


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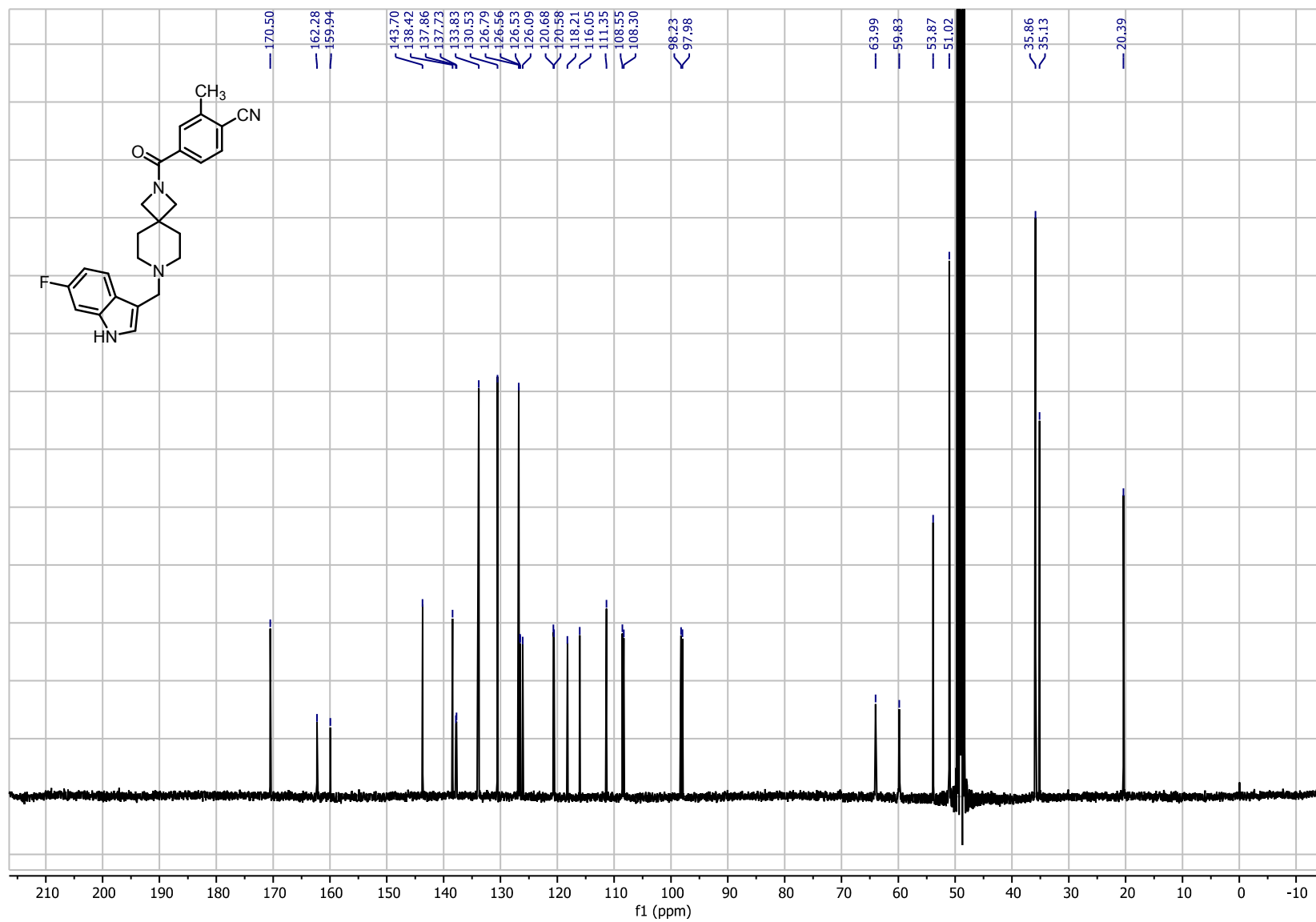


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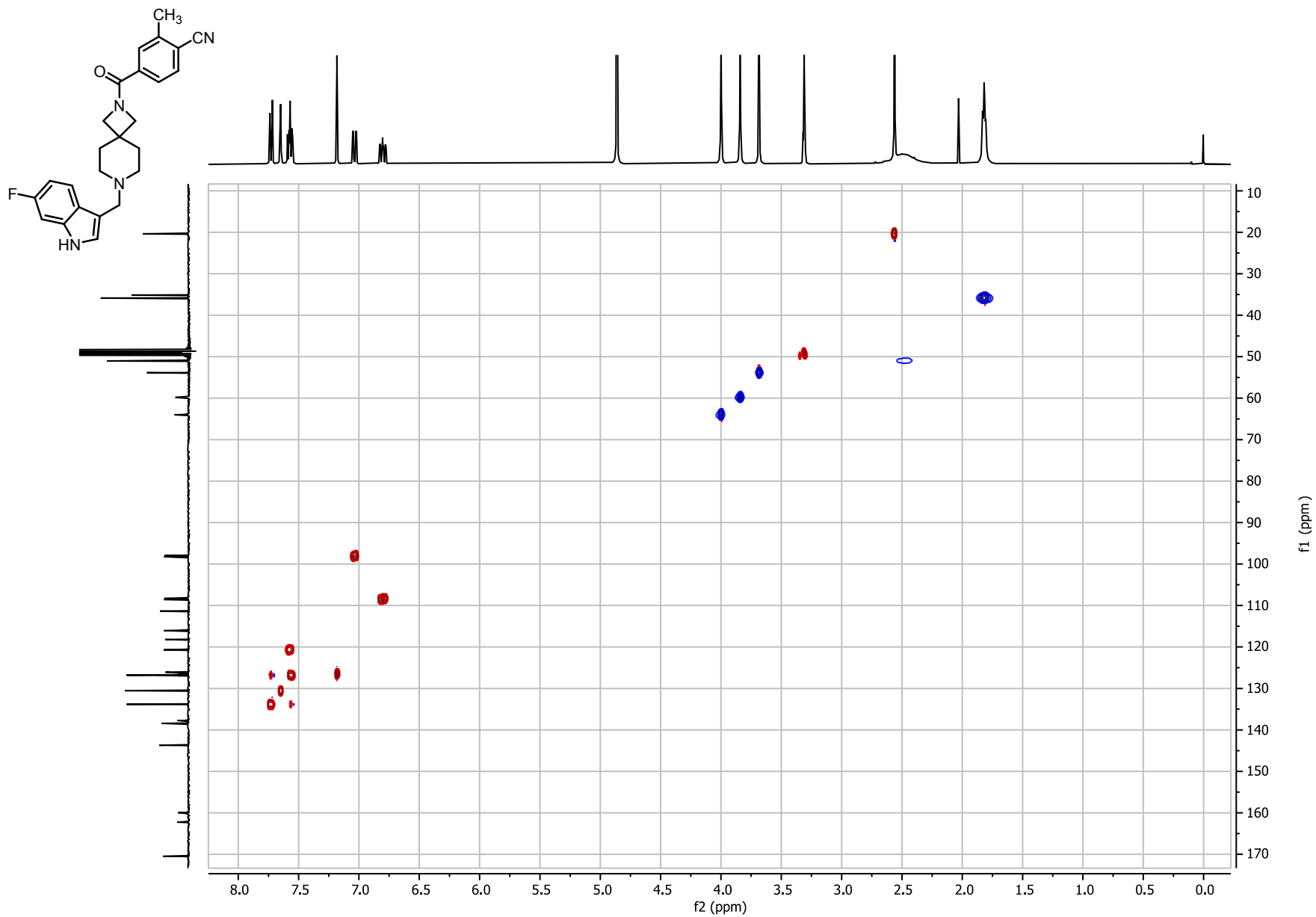


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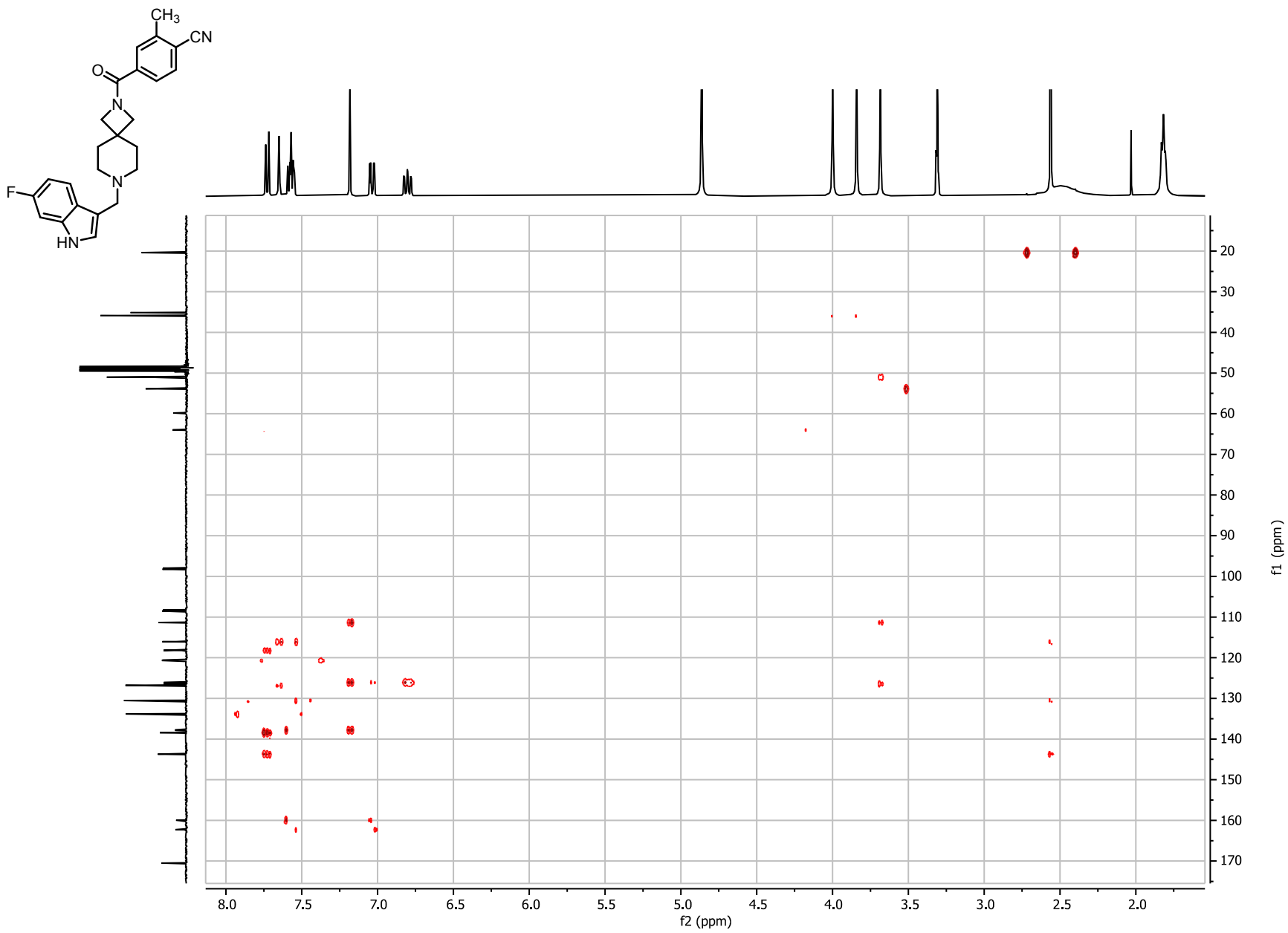


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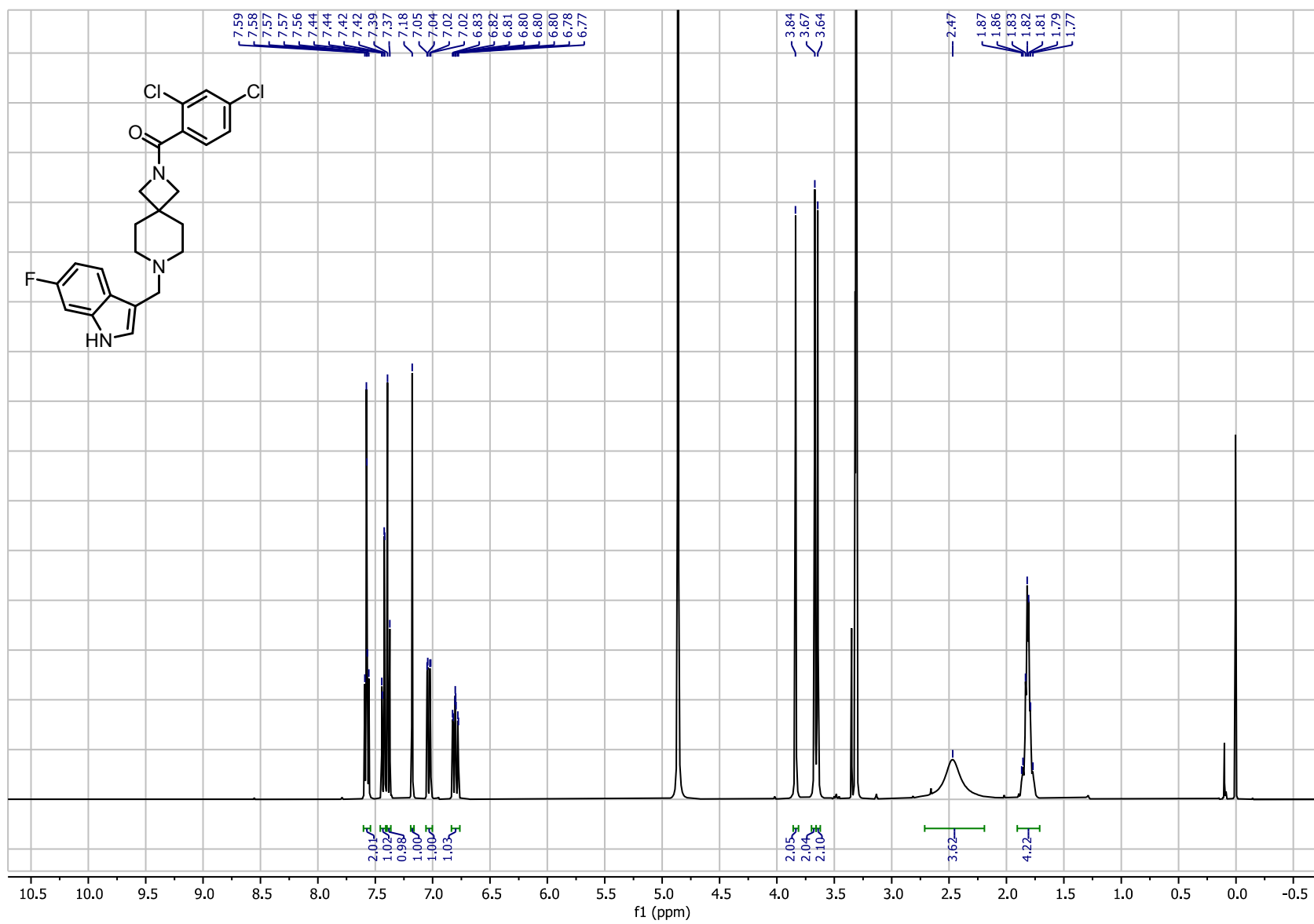


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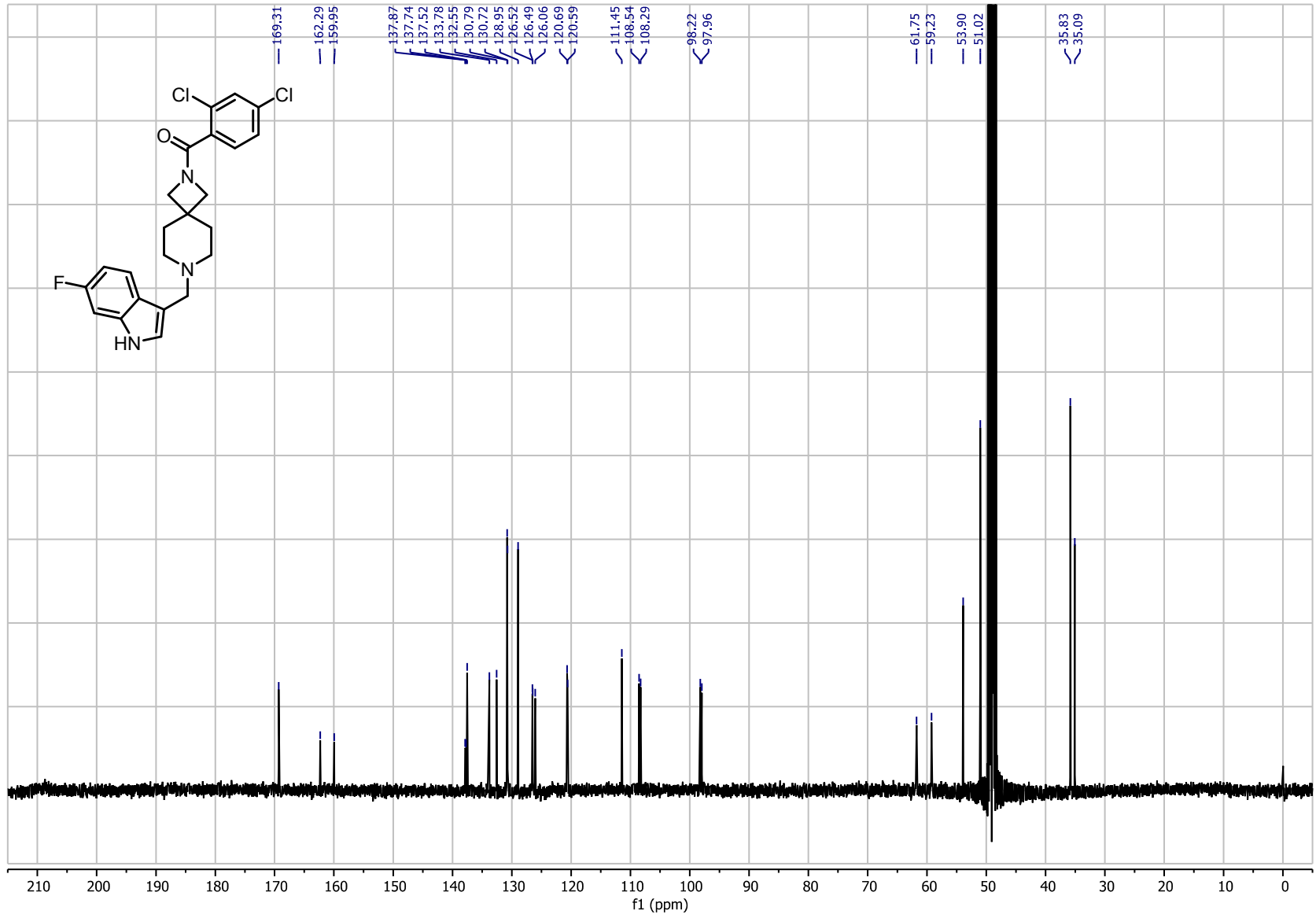


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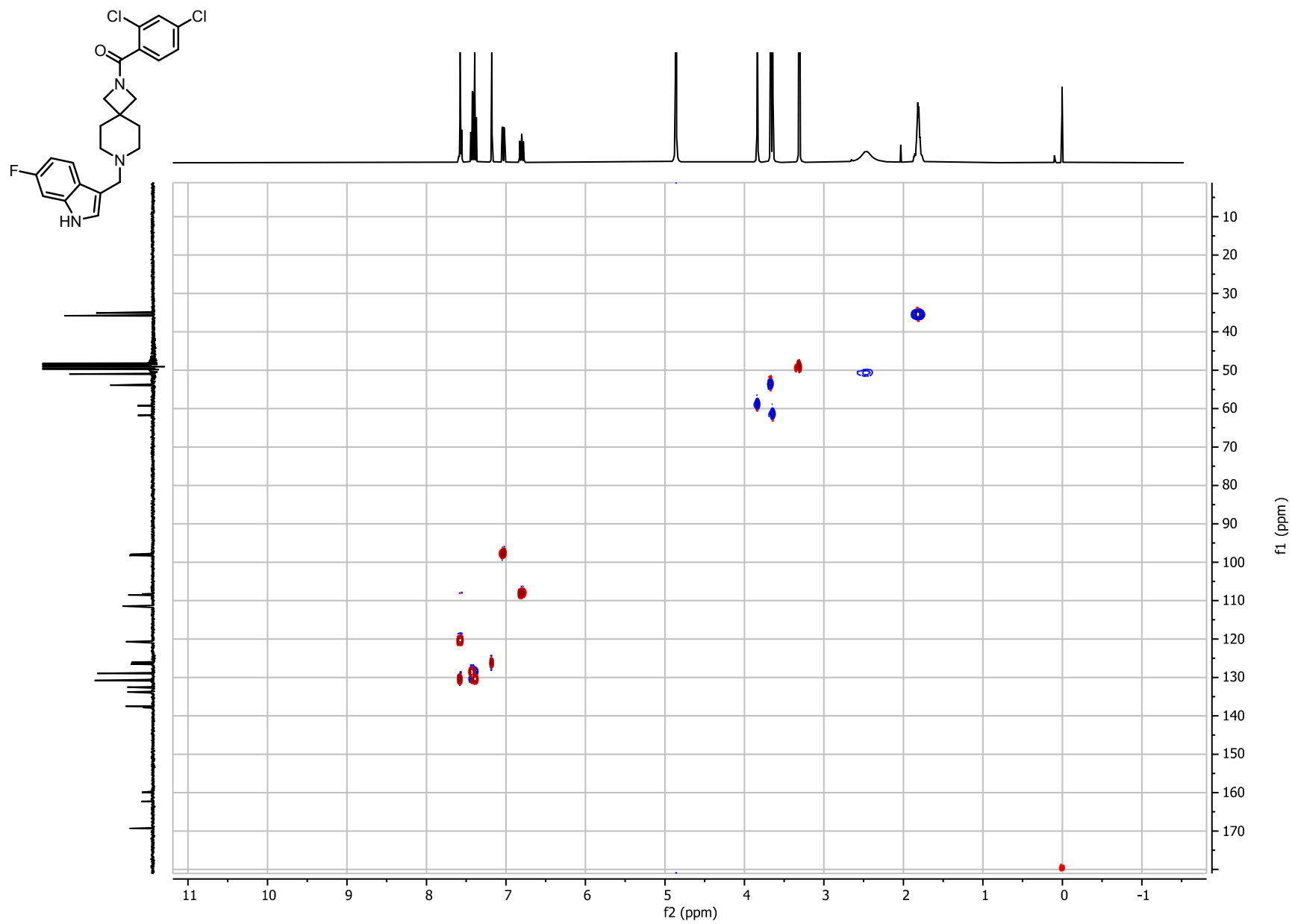


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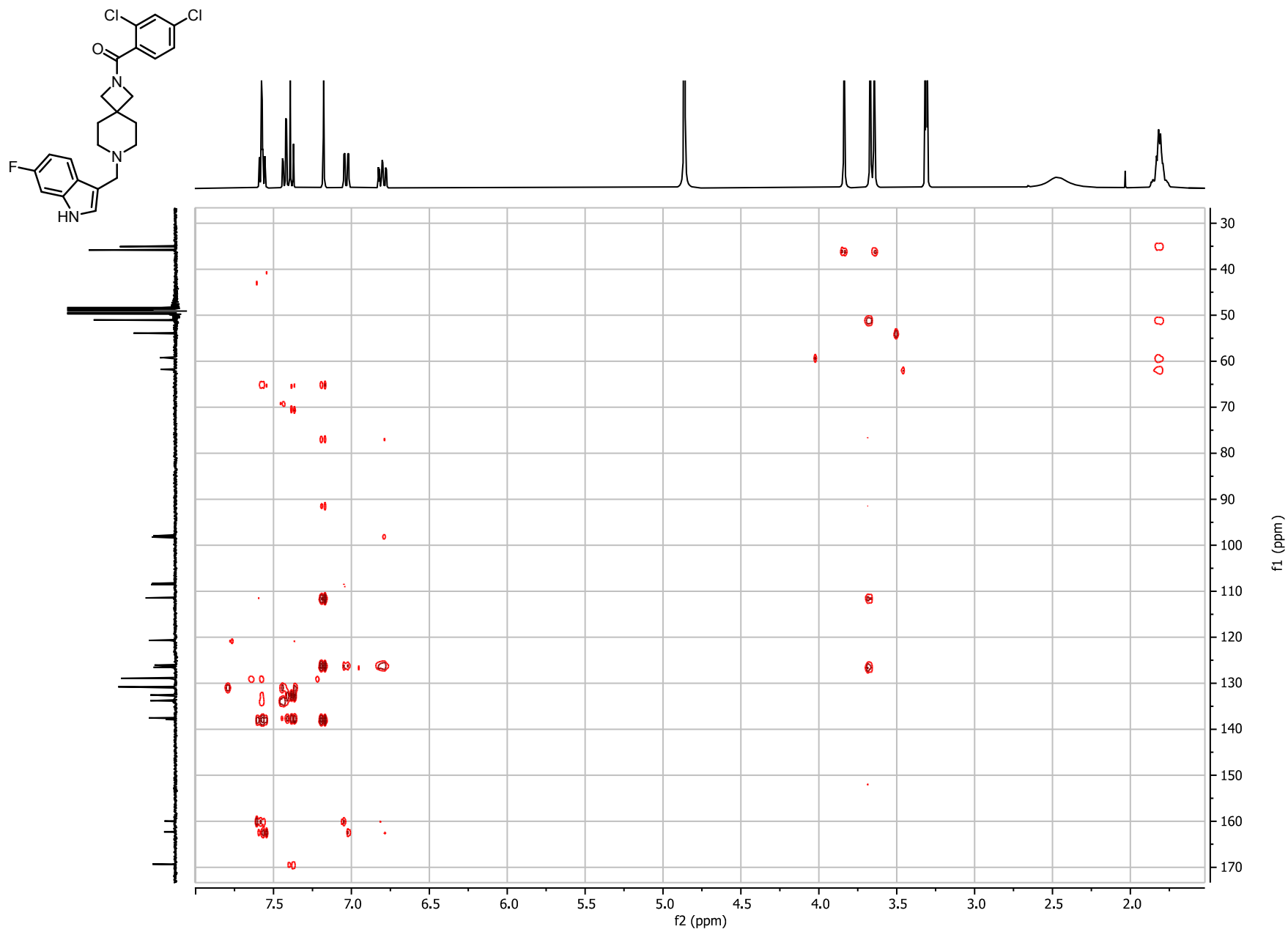


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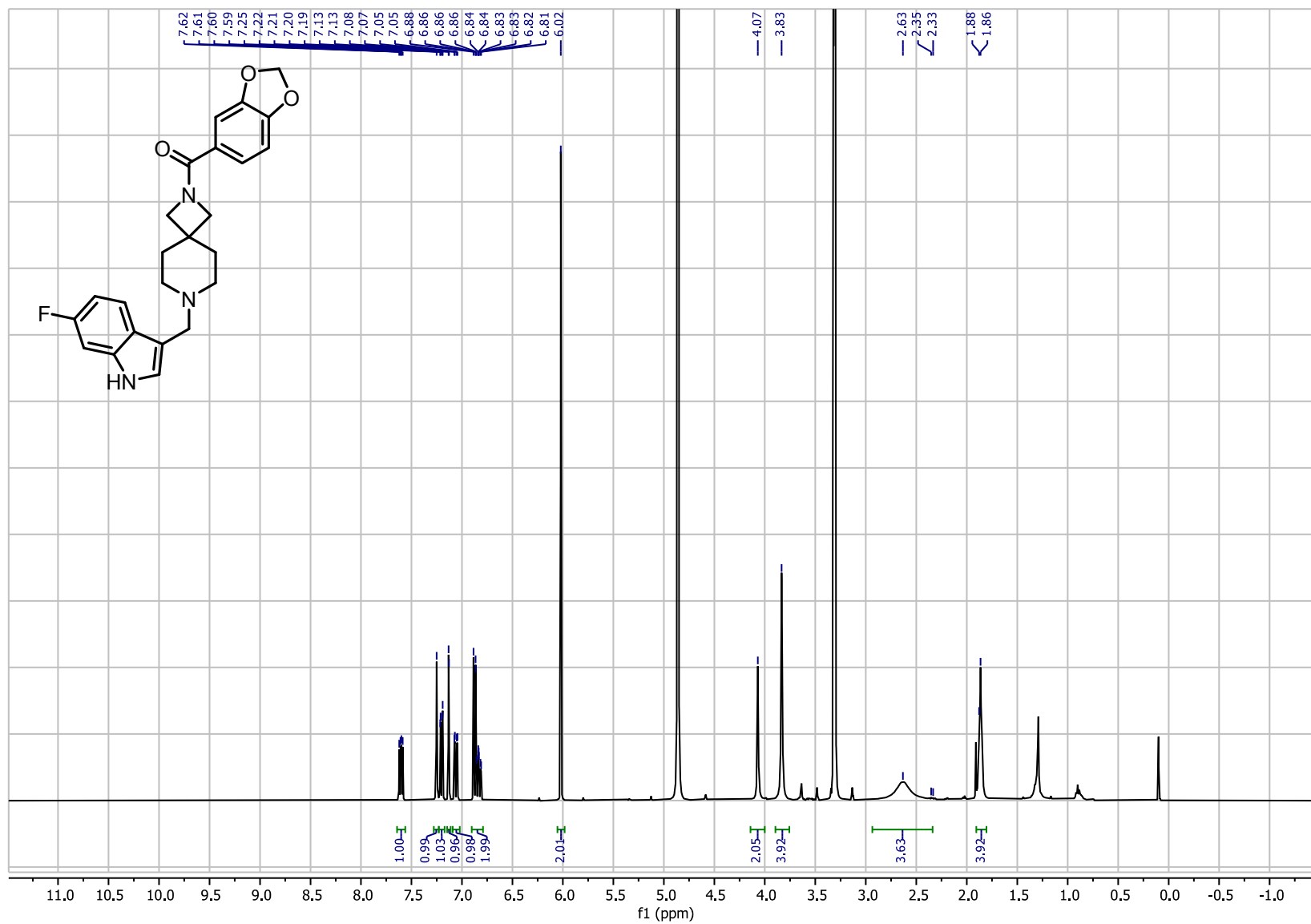


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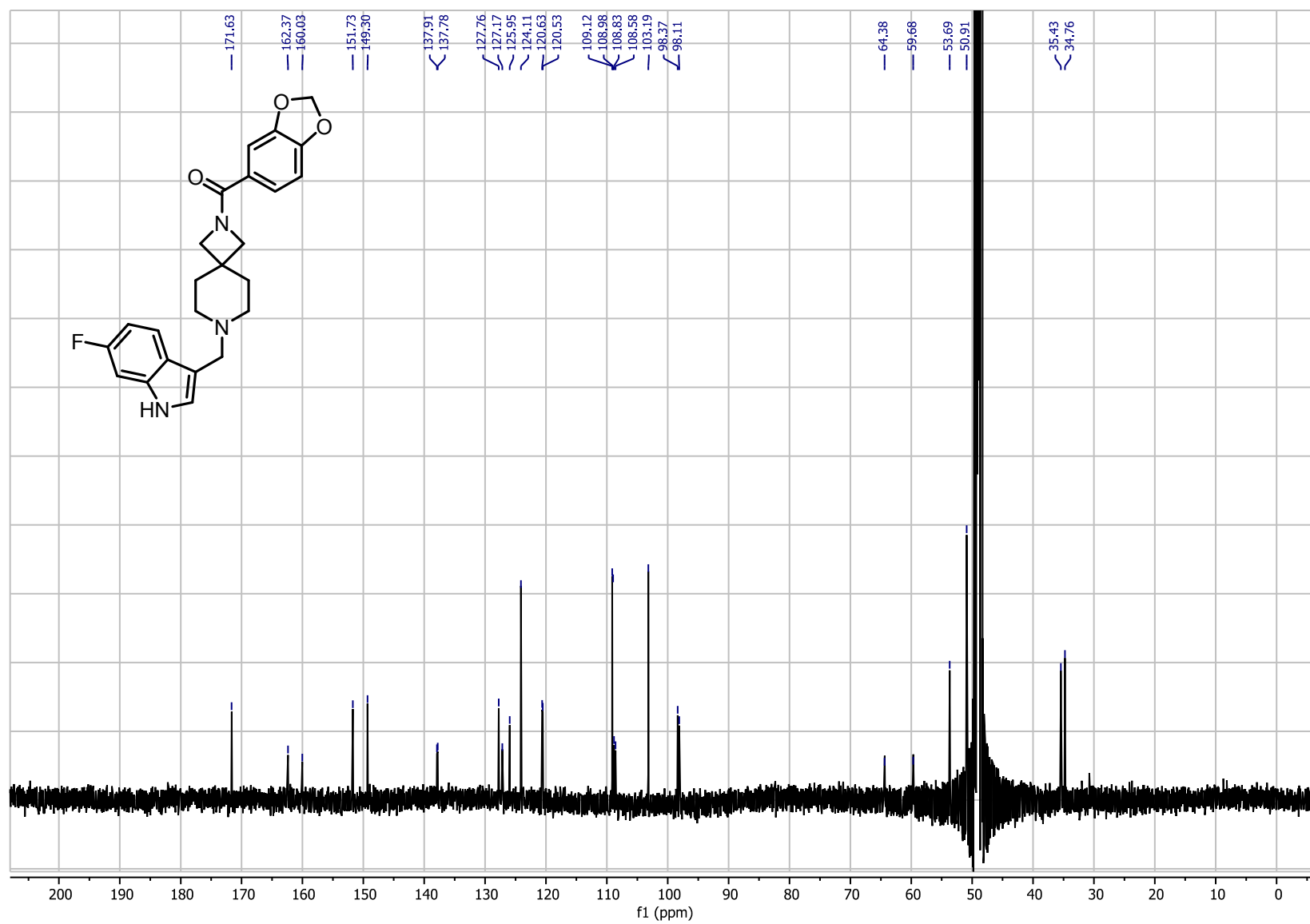


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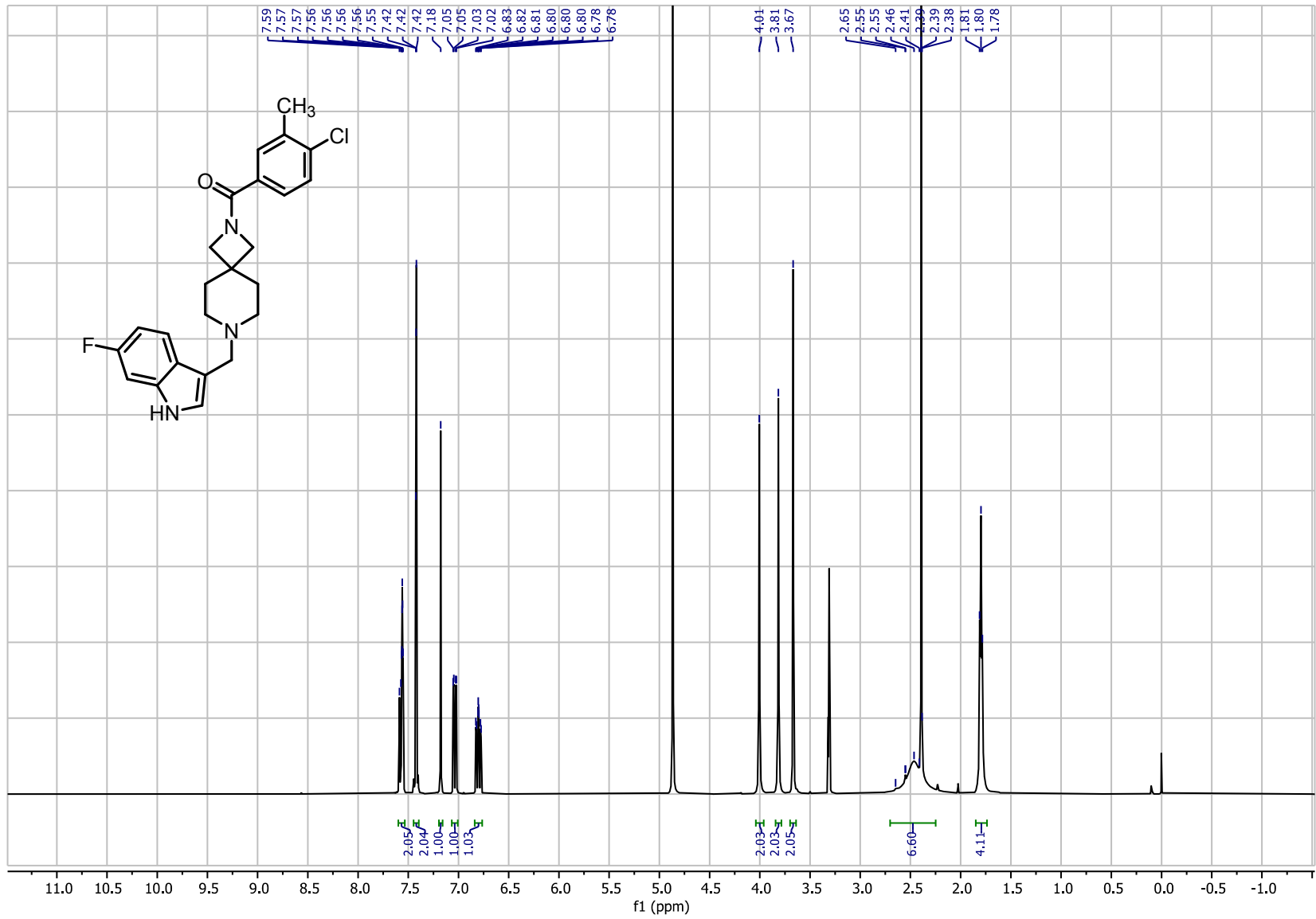


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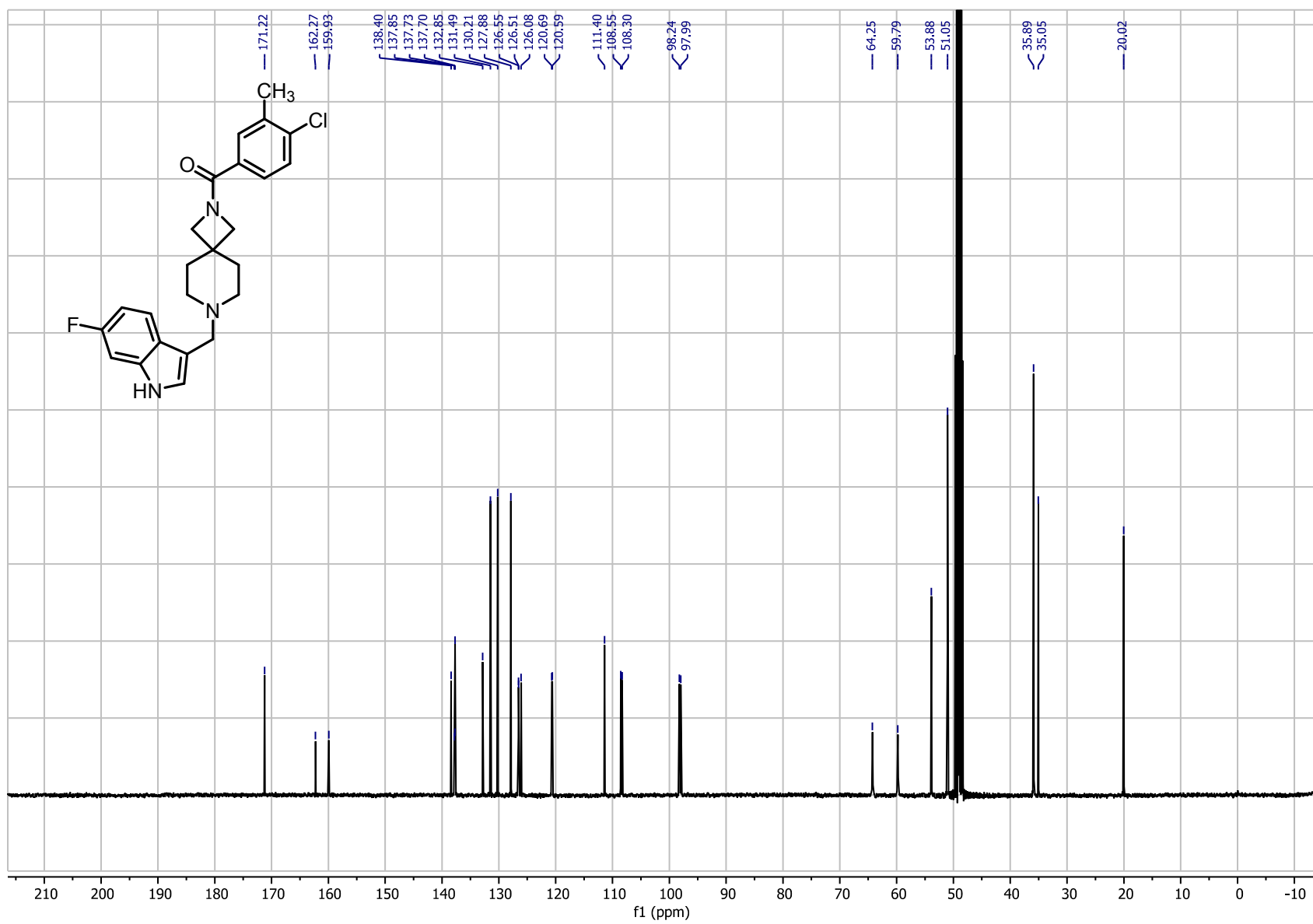


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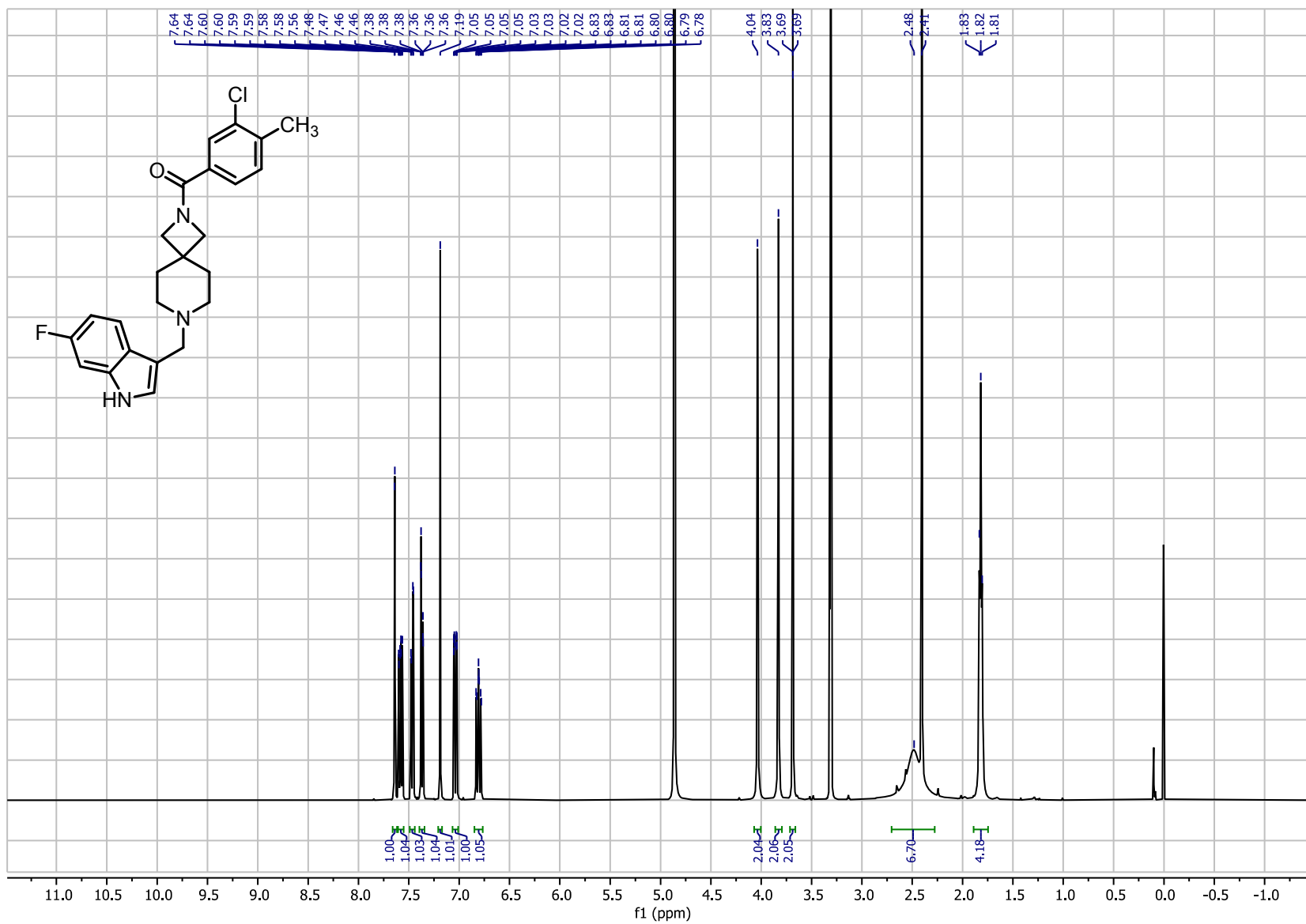


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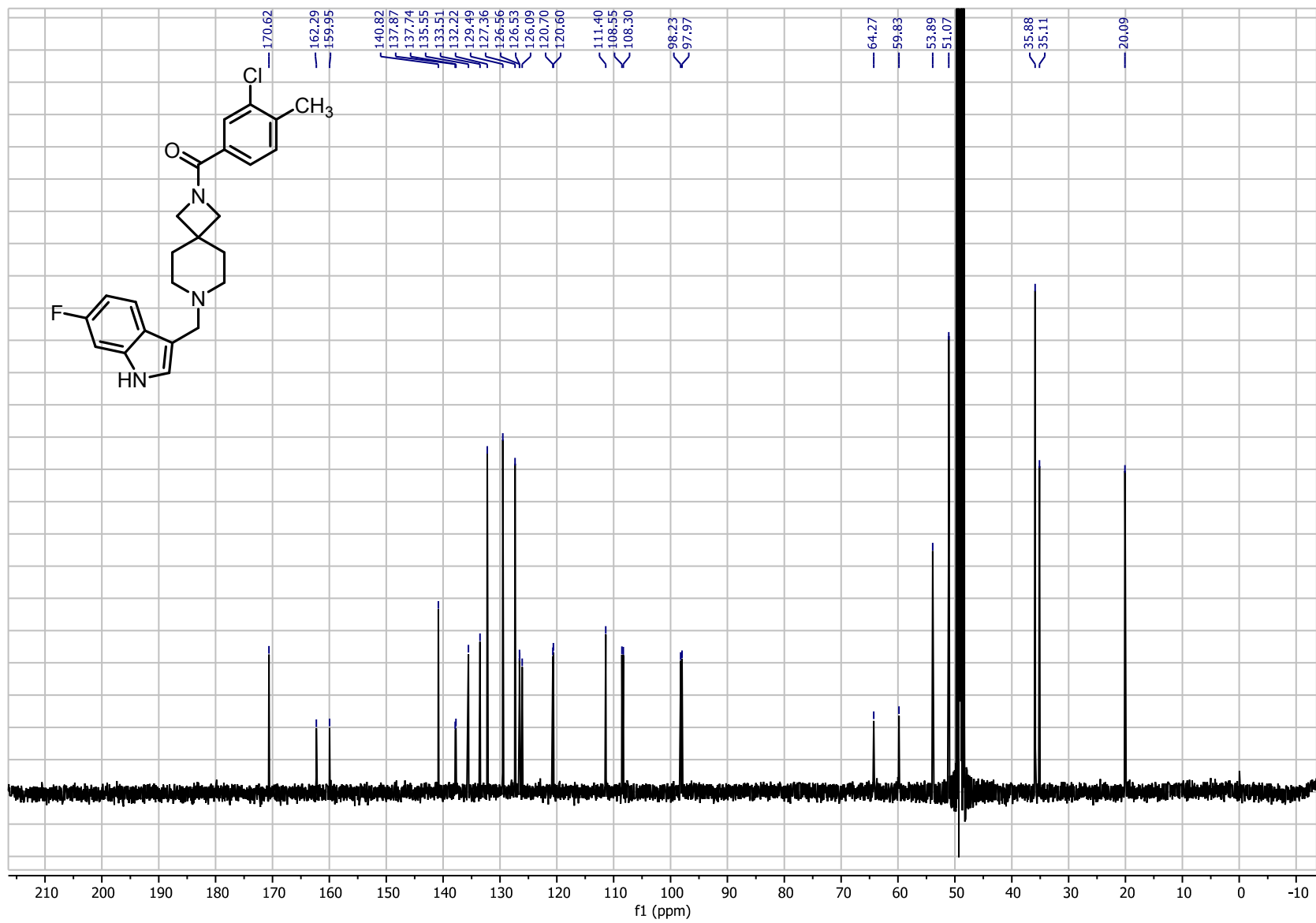


Figure S67: ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **22** in $\text{MeOD-}d_4$.

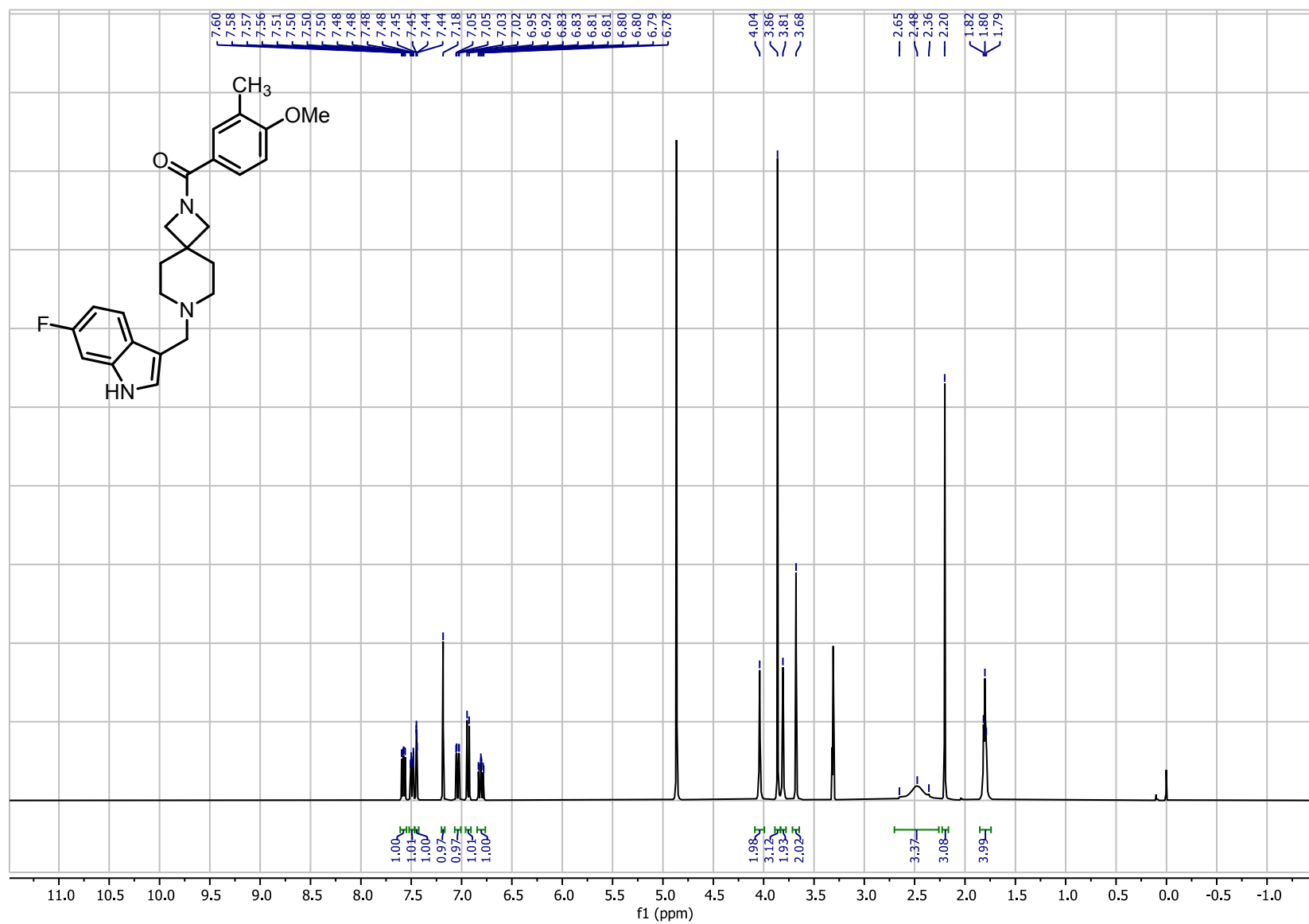


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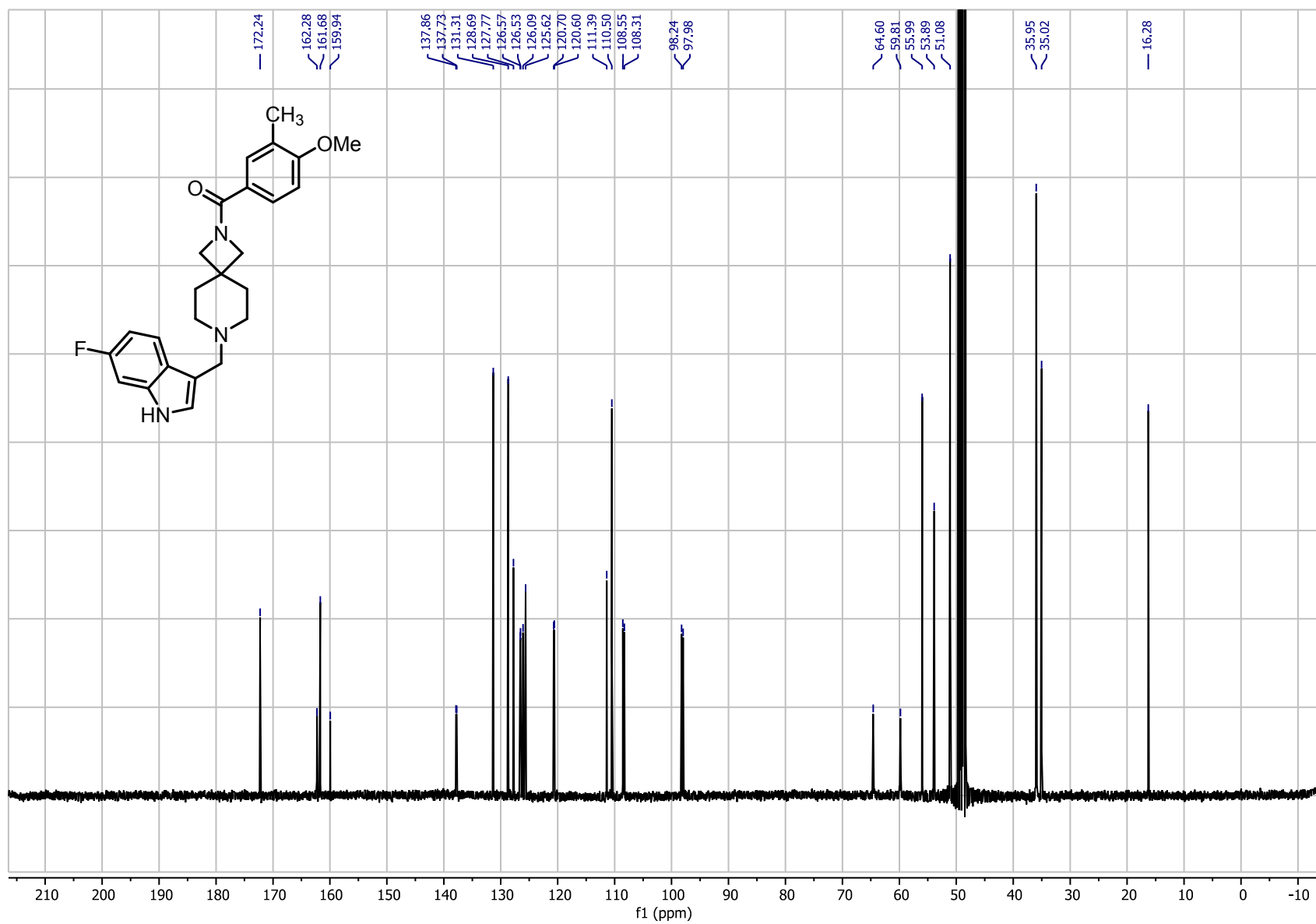


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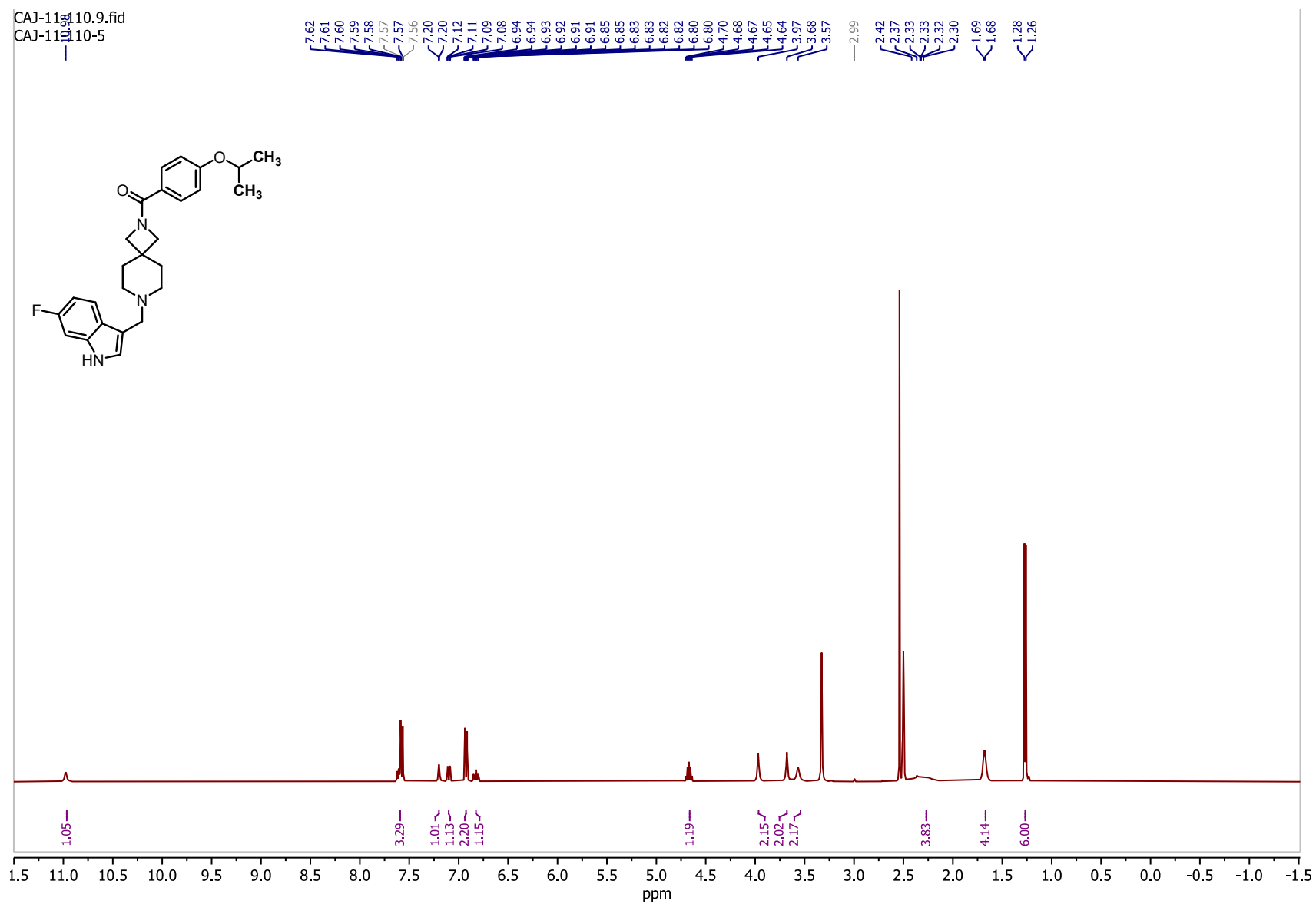


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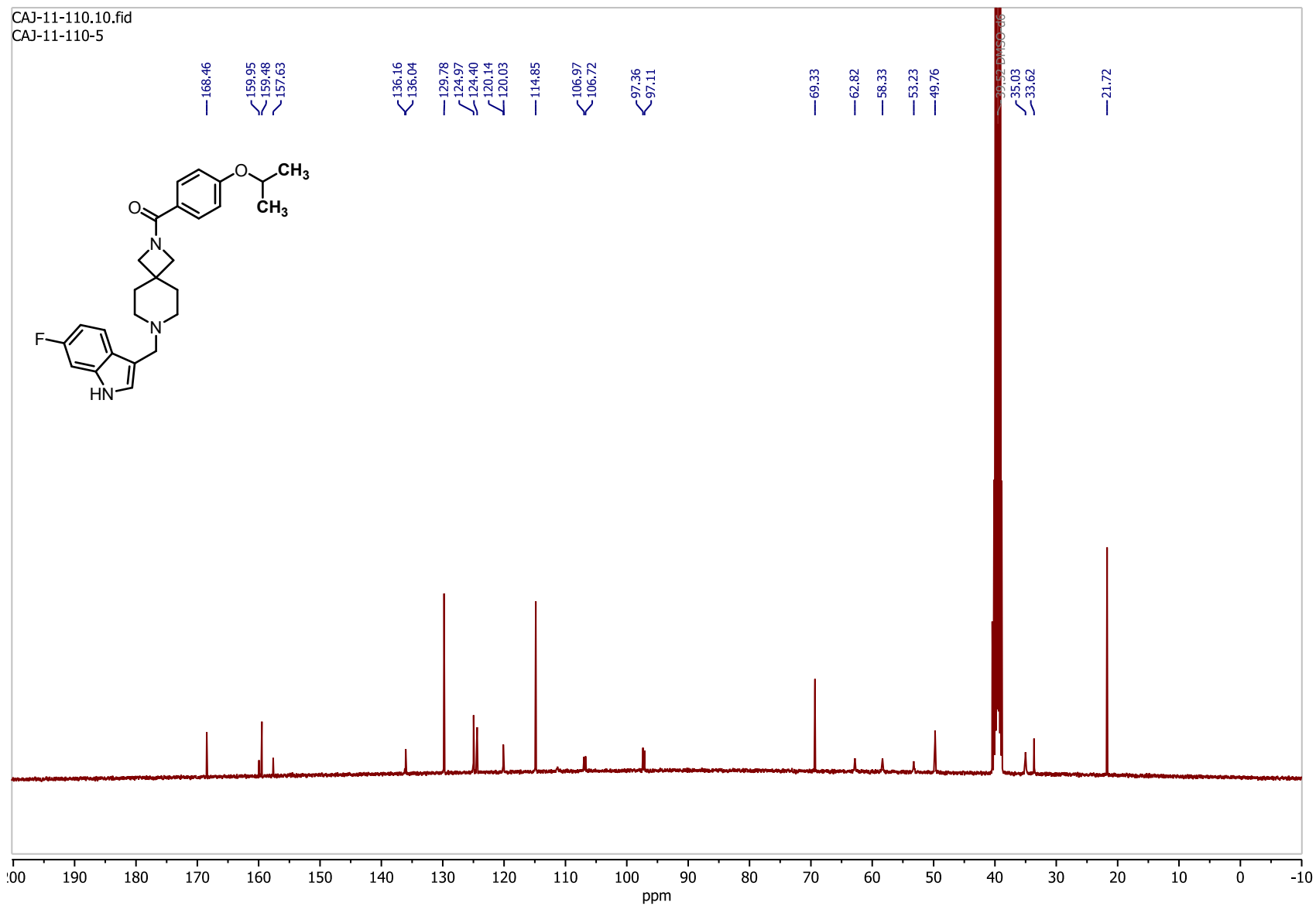


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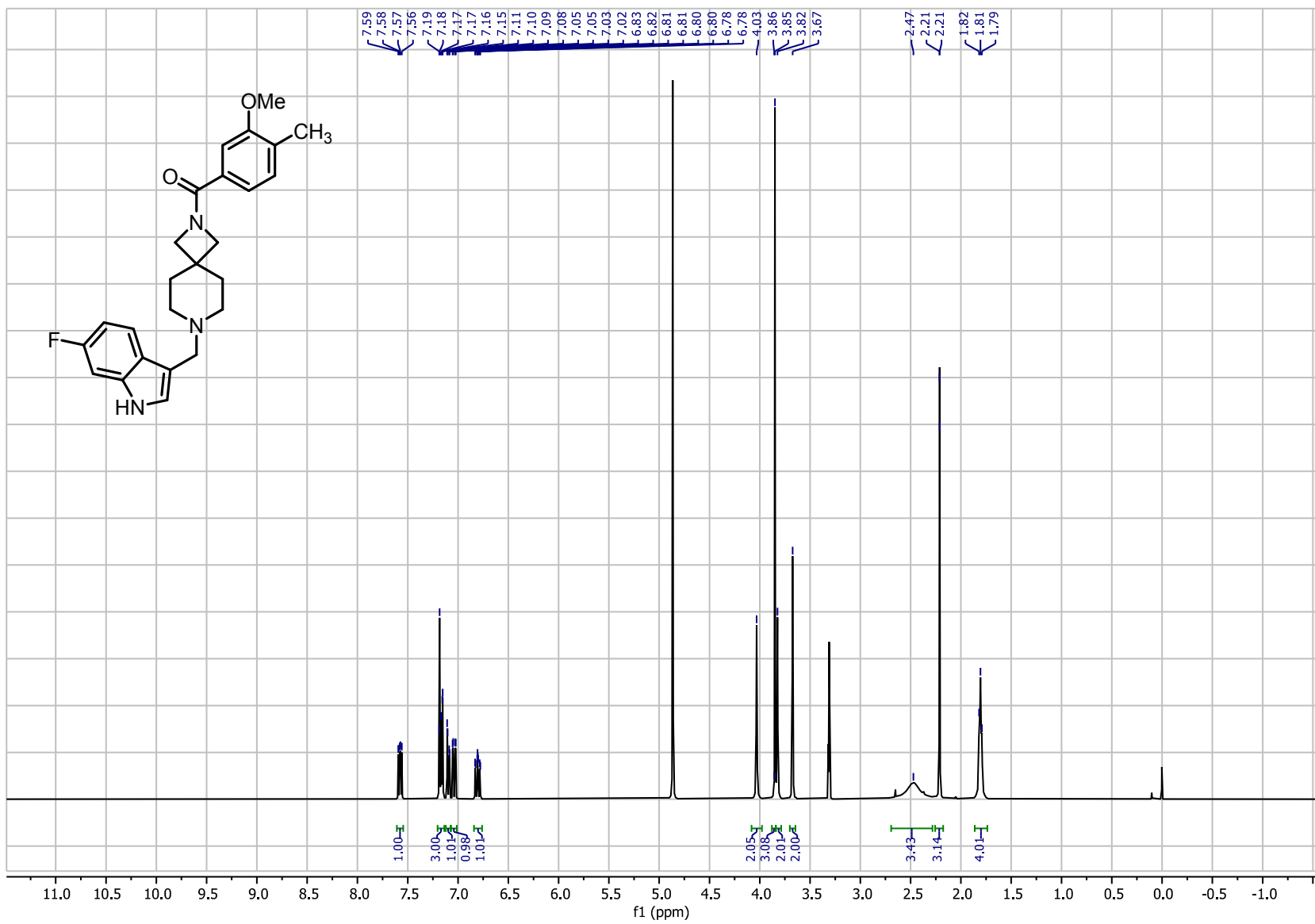


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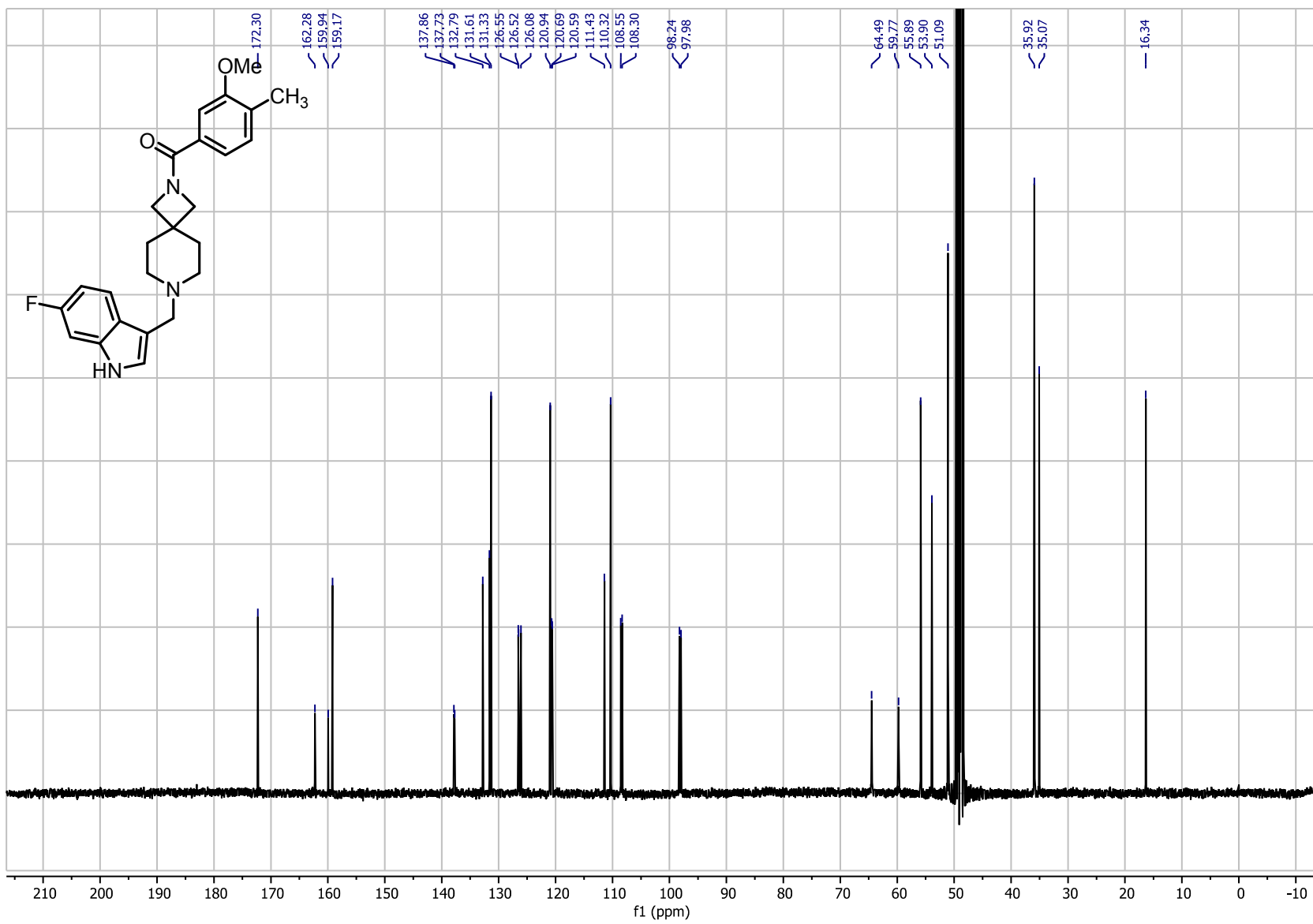


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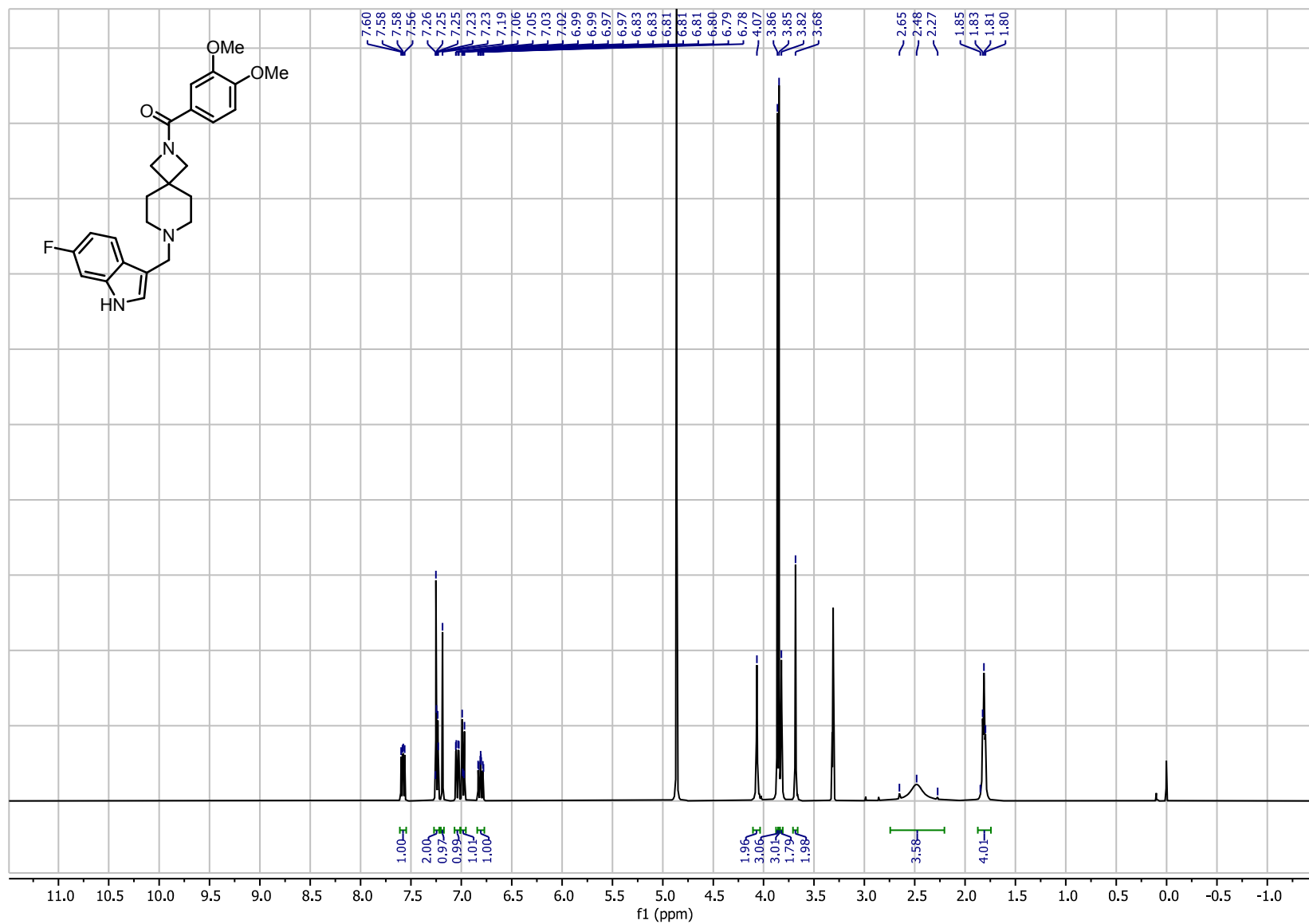


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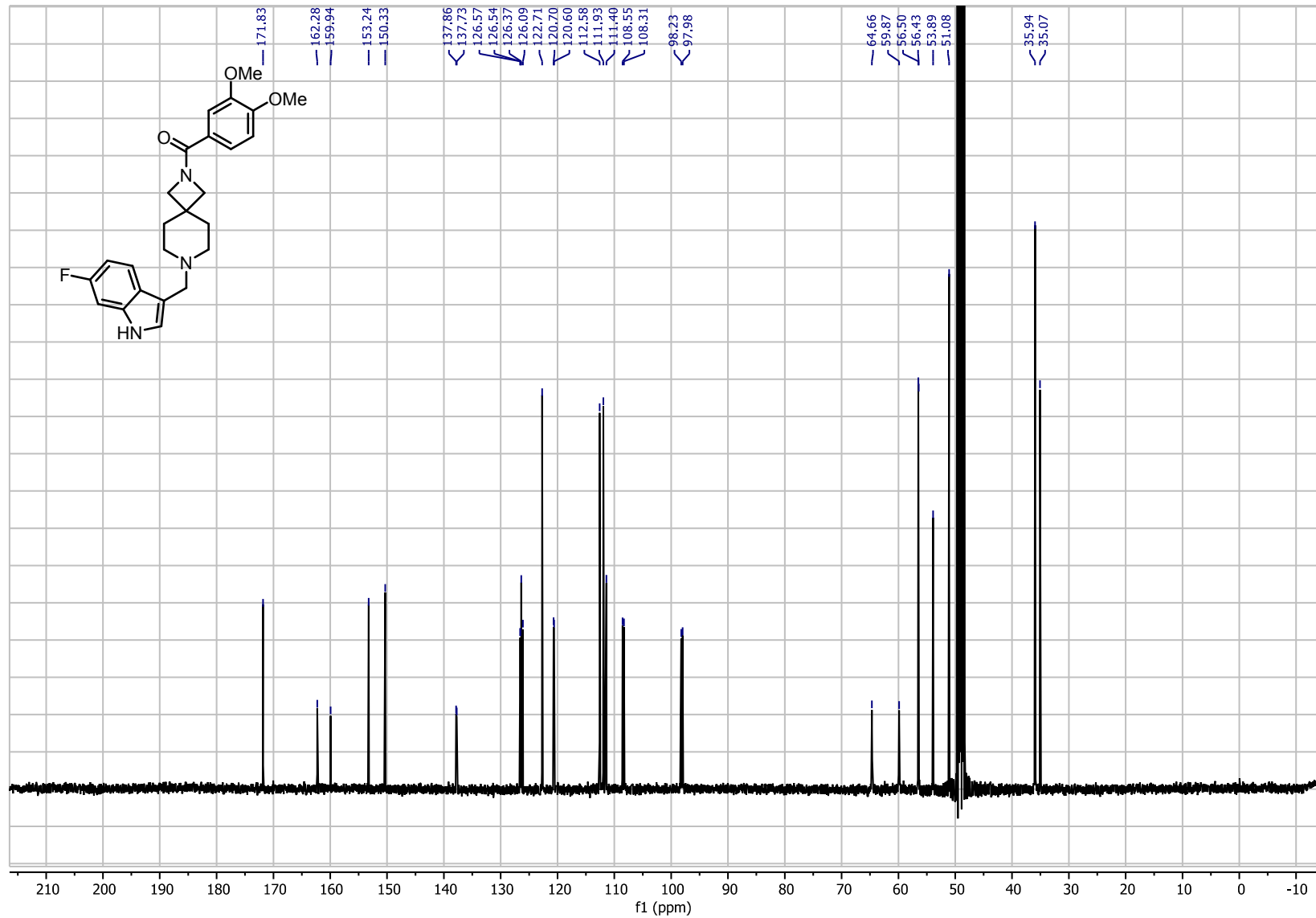


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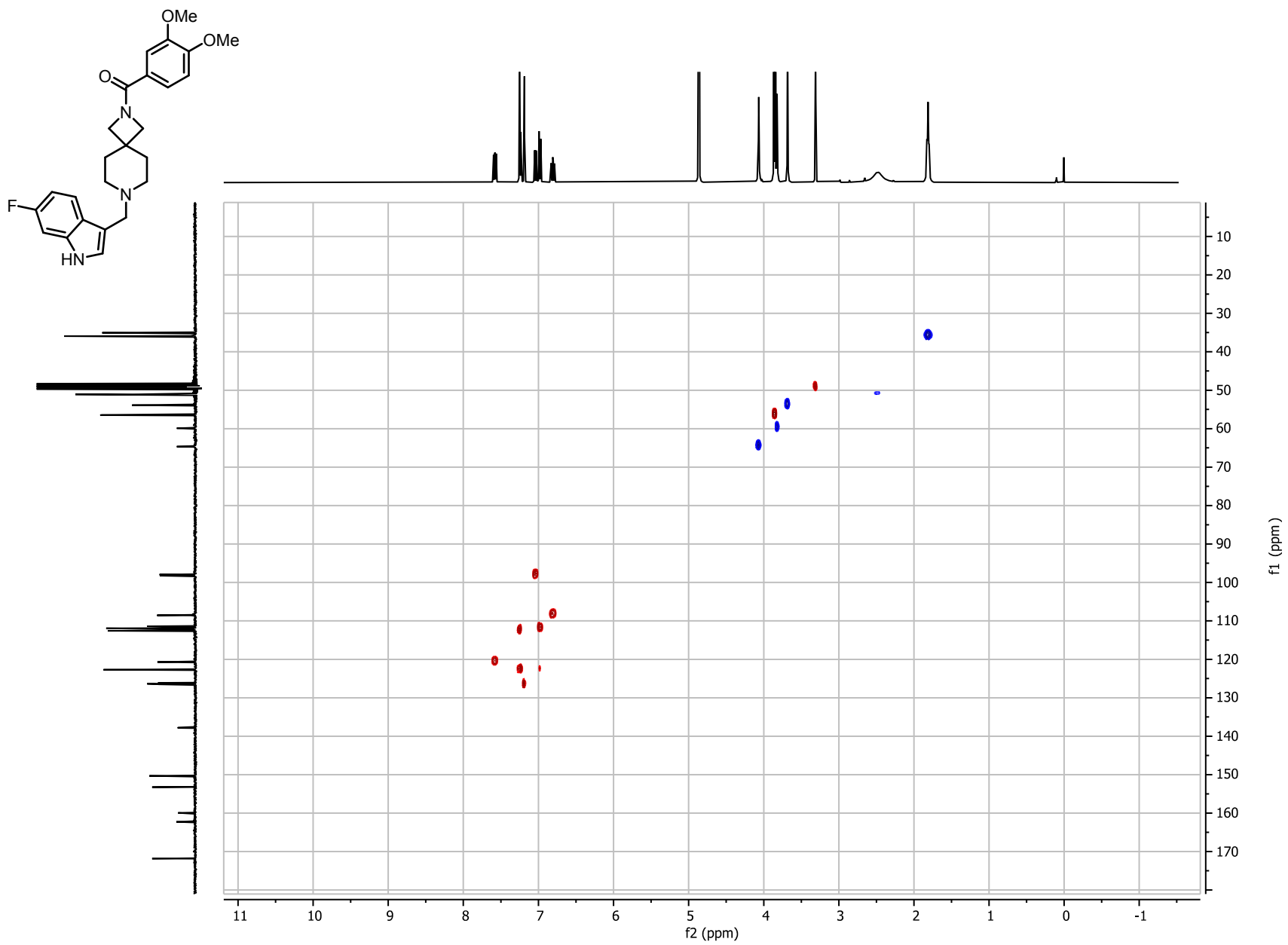


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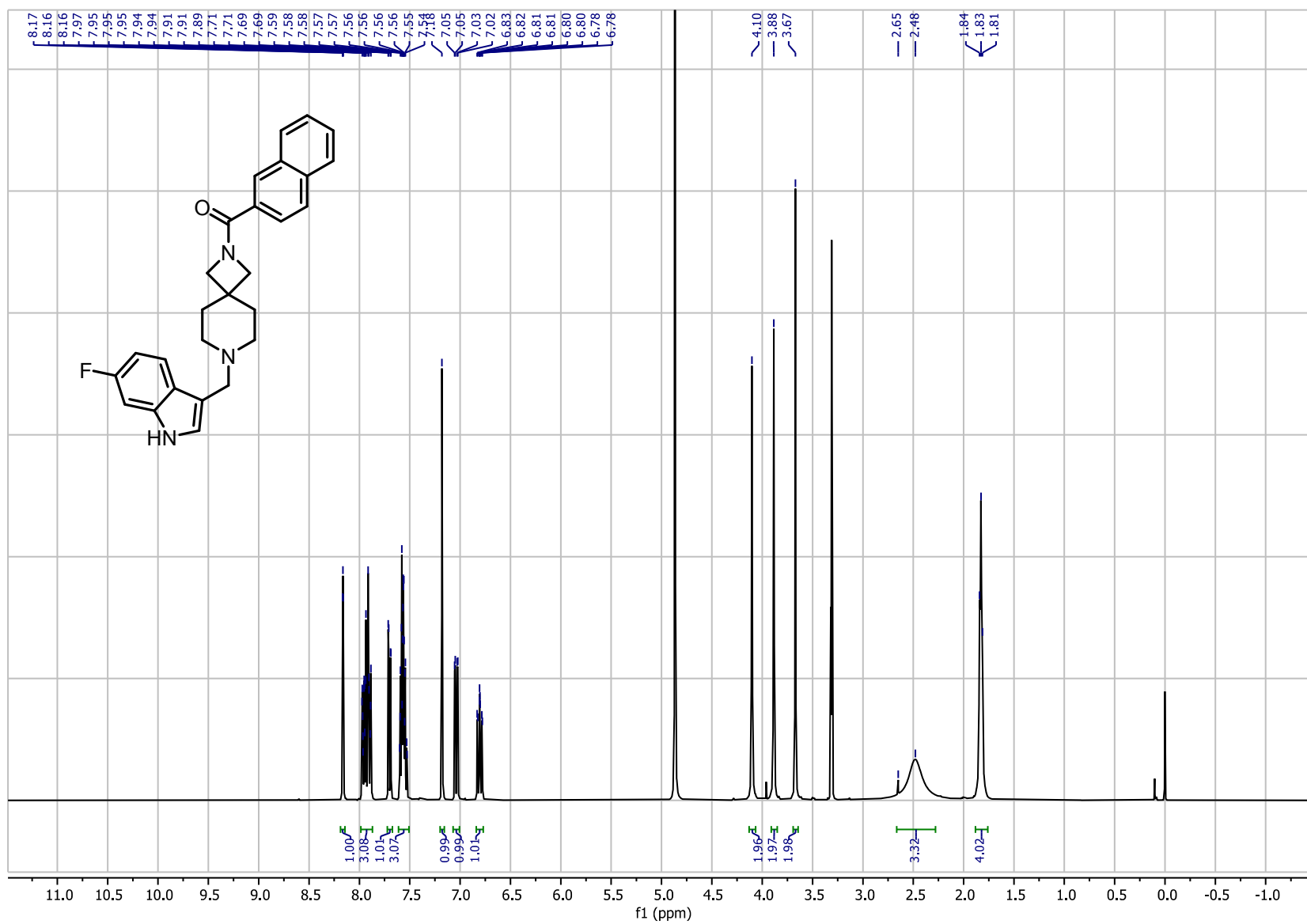


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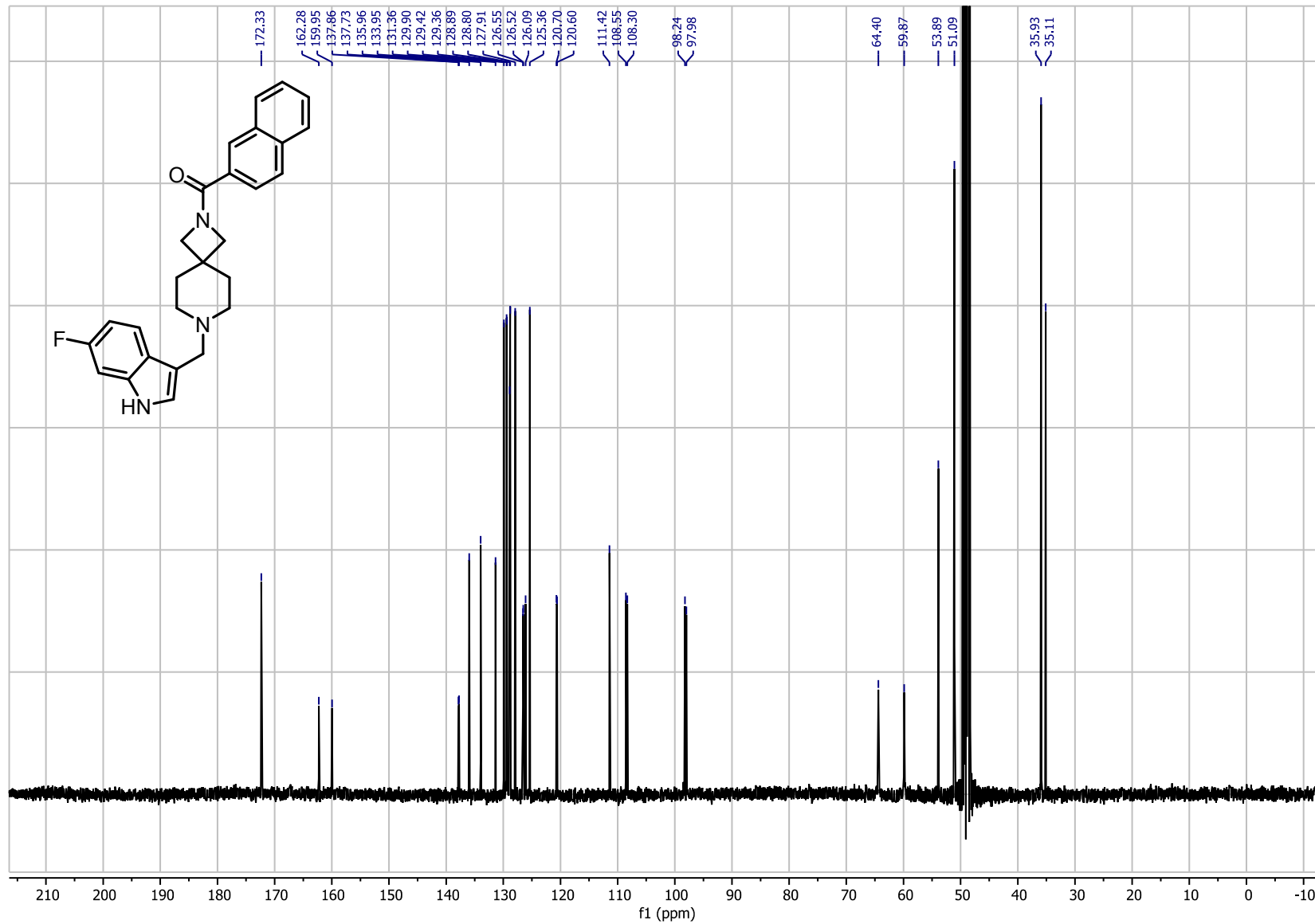


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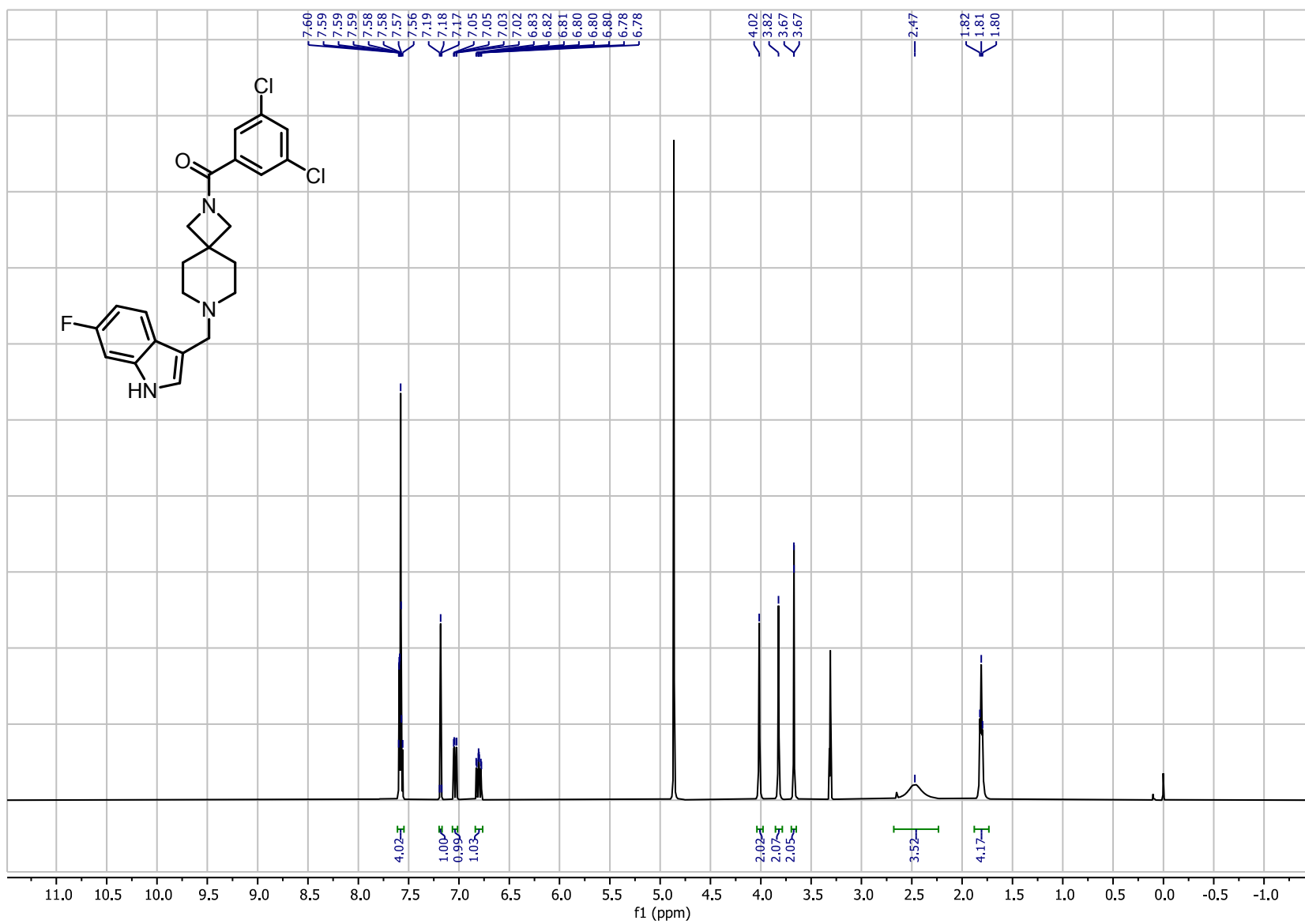


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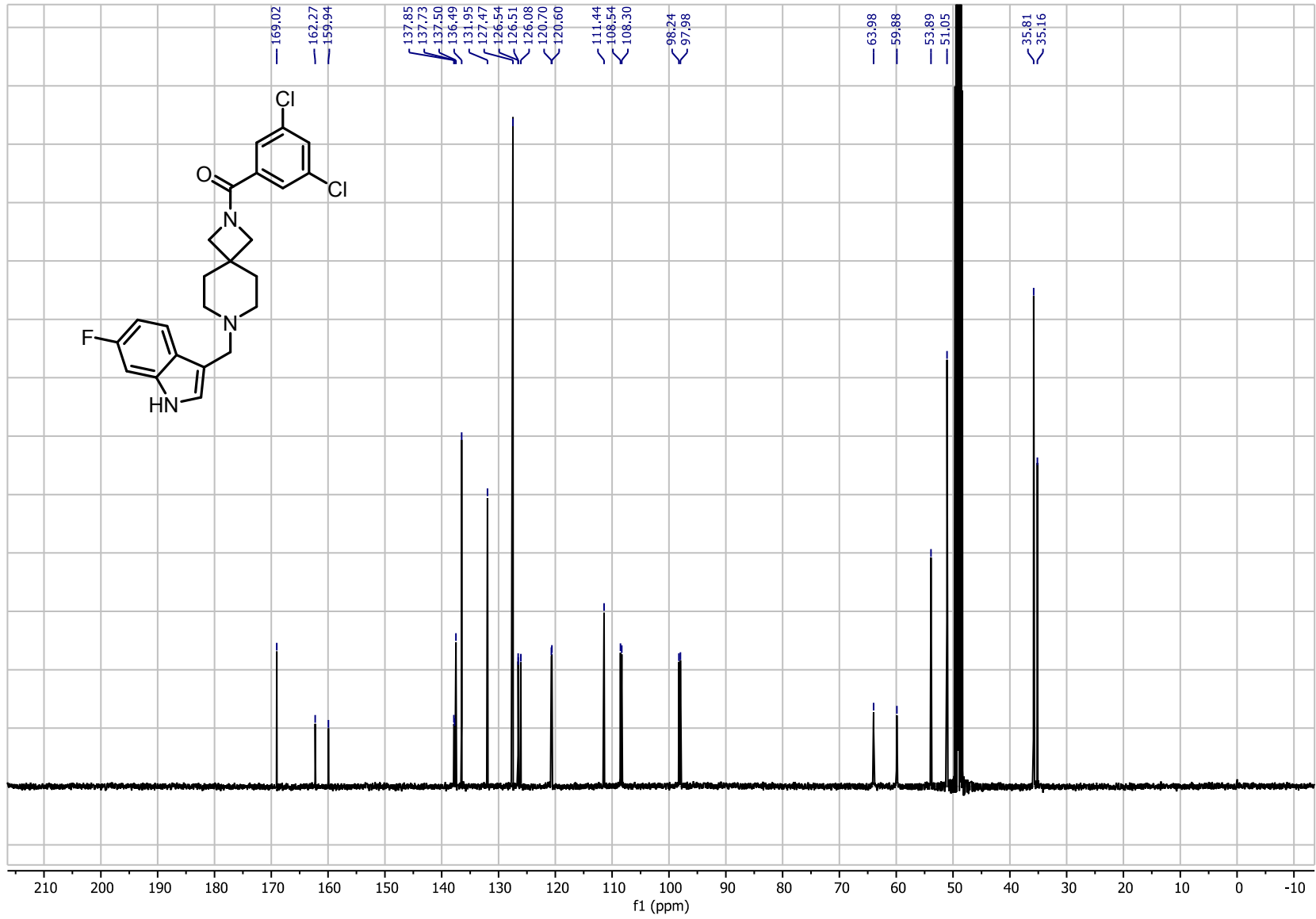


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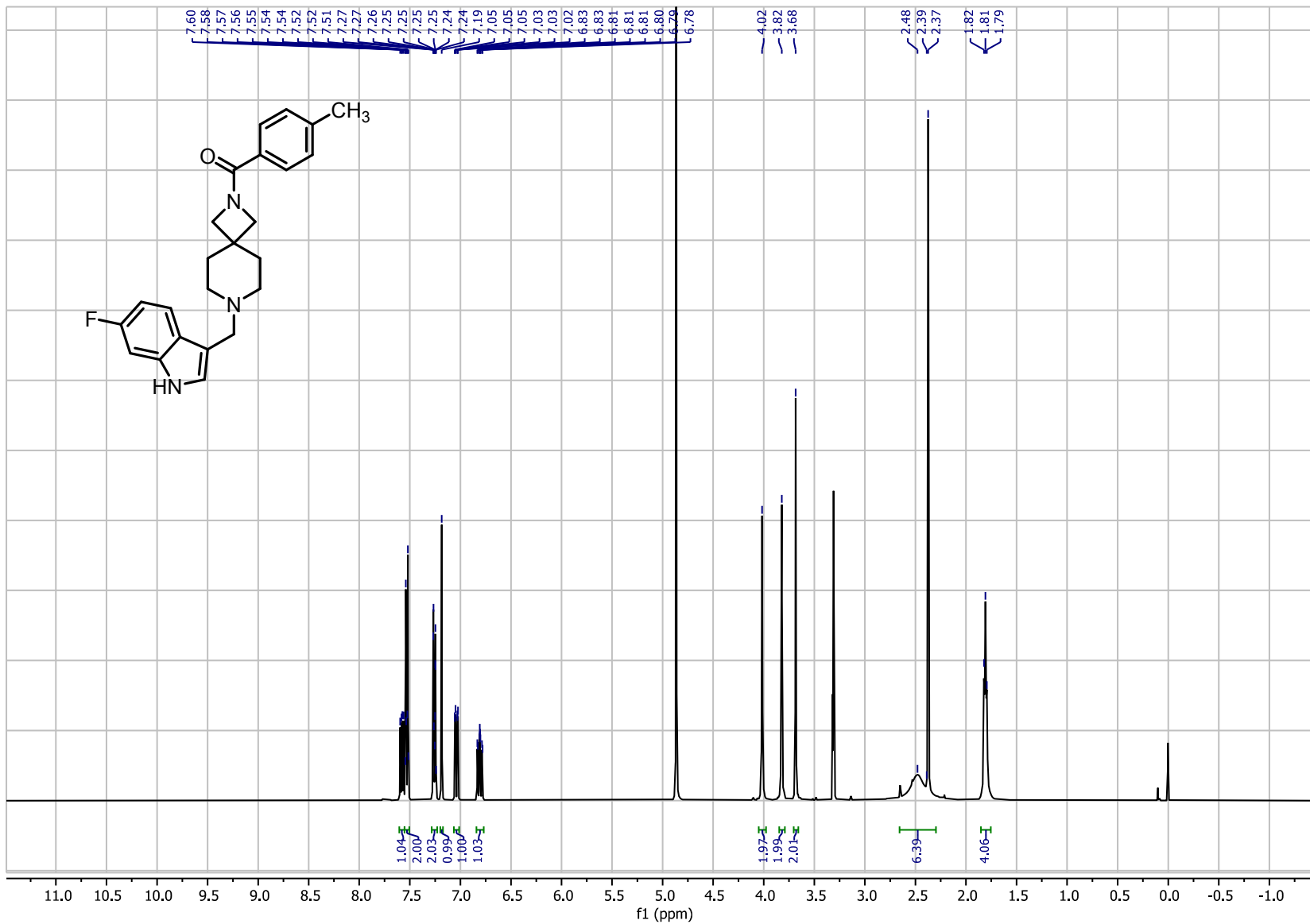


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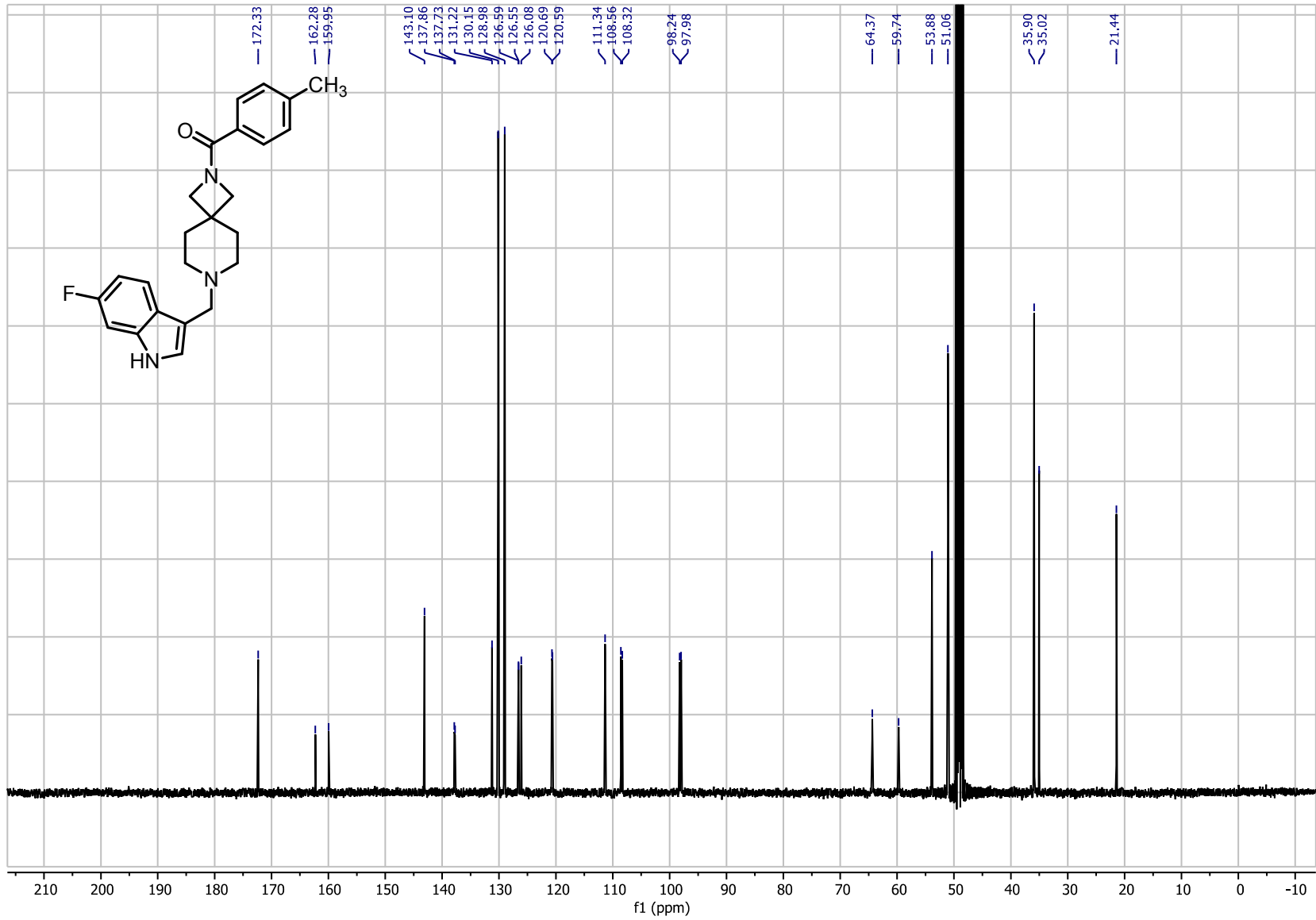


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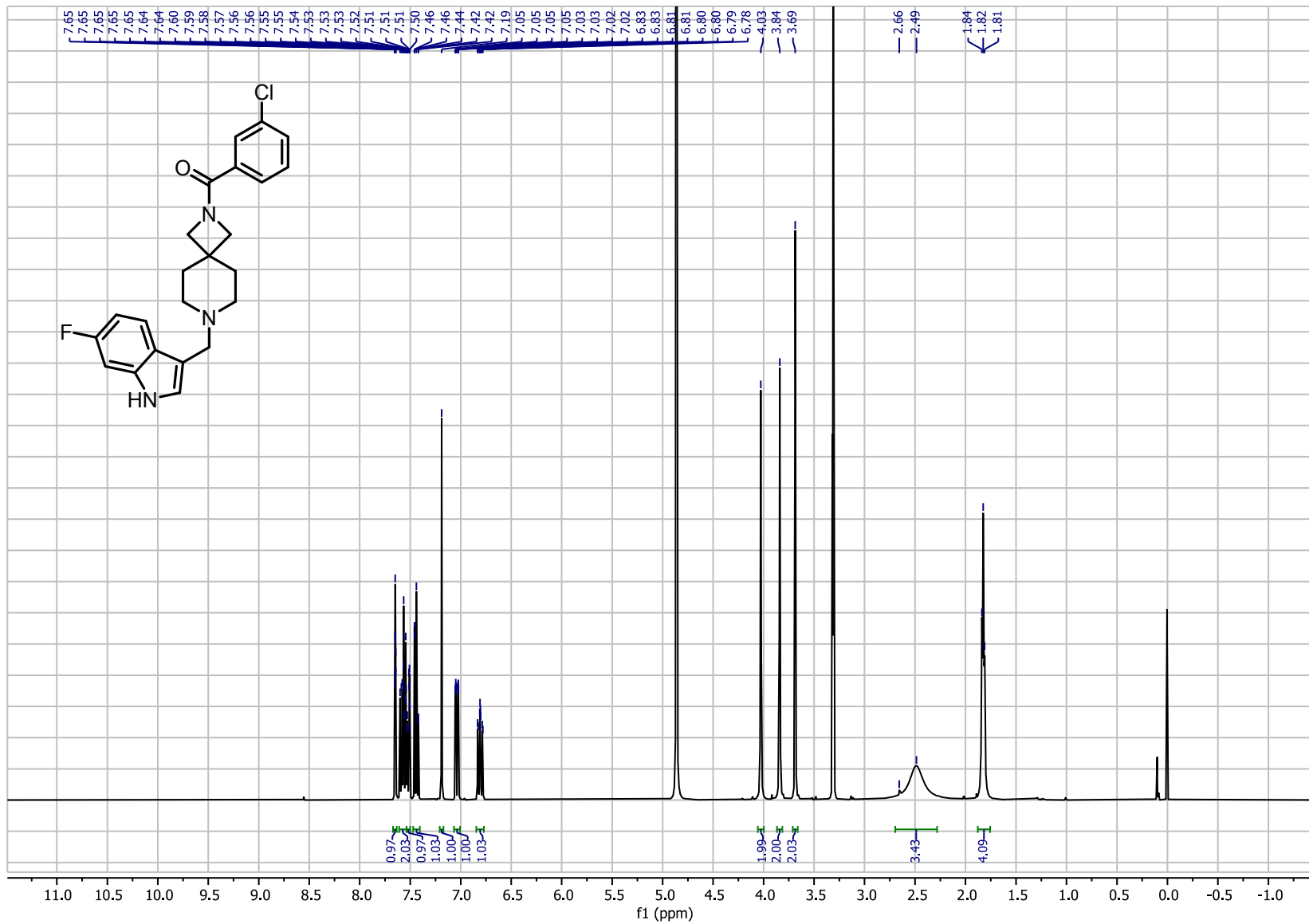


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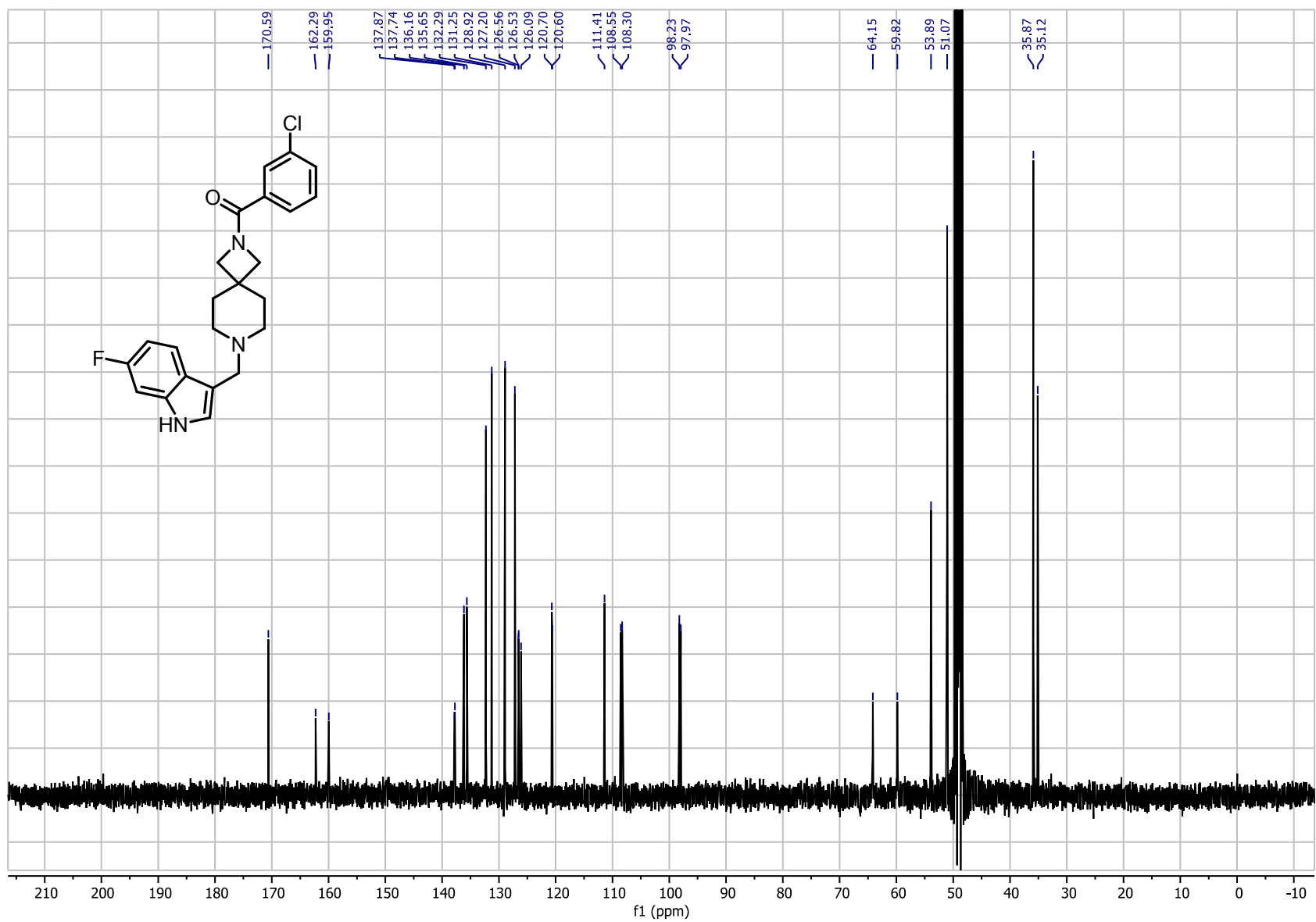


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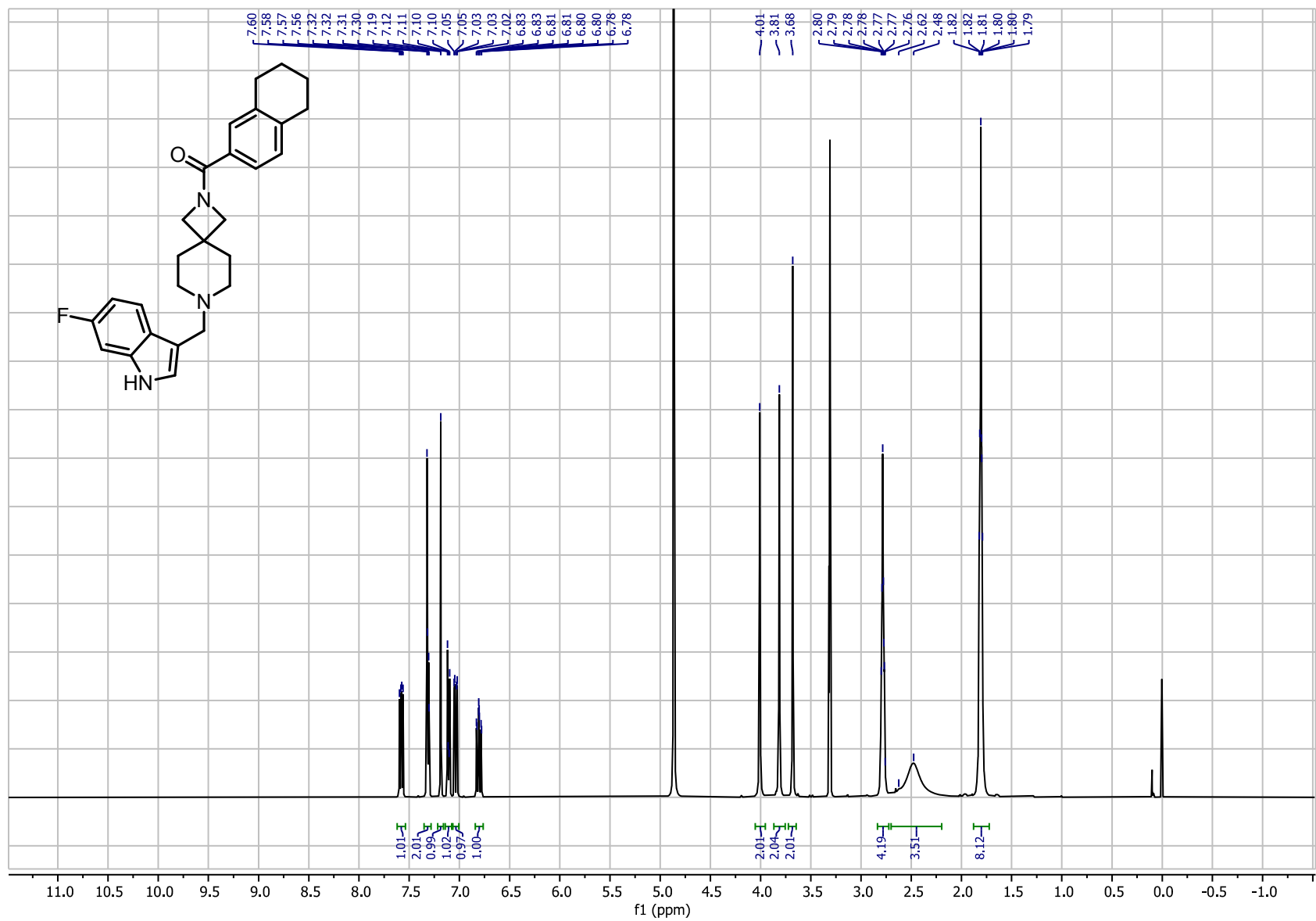


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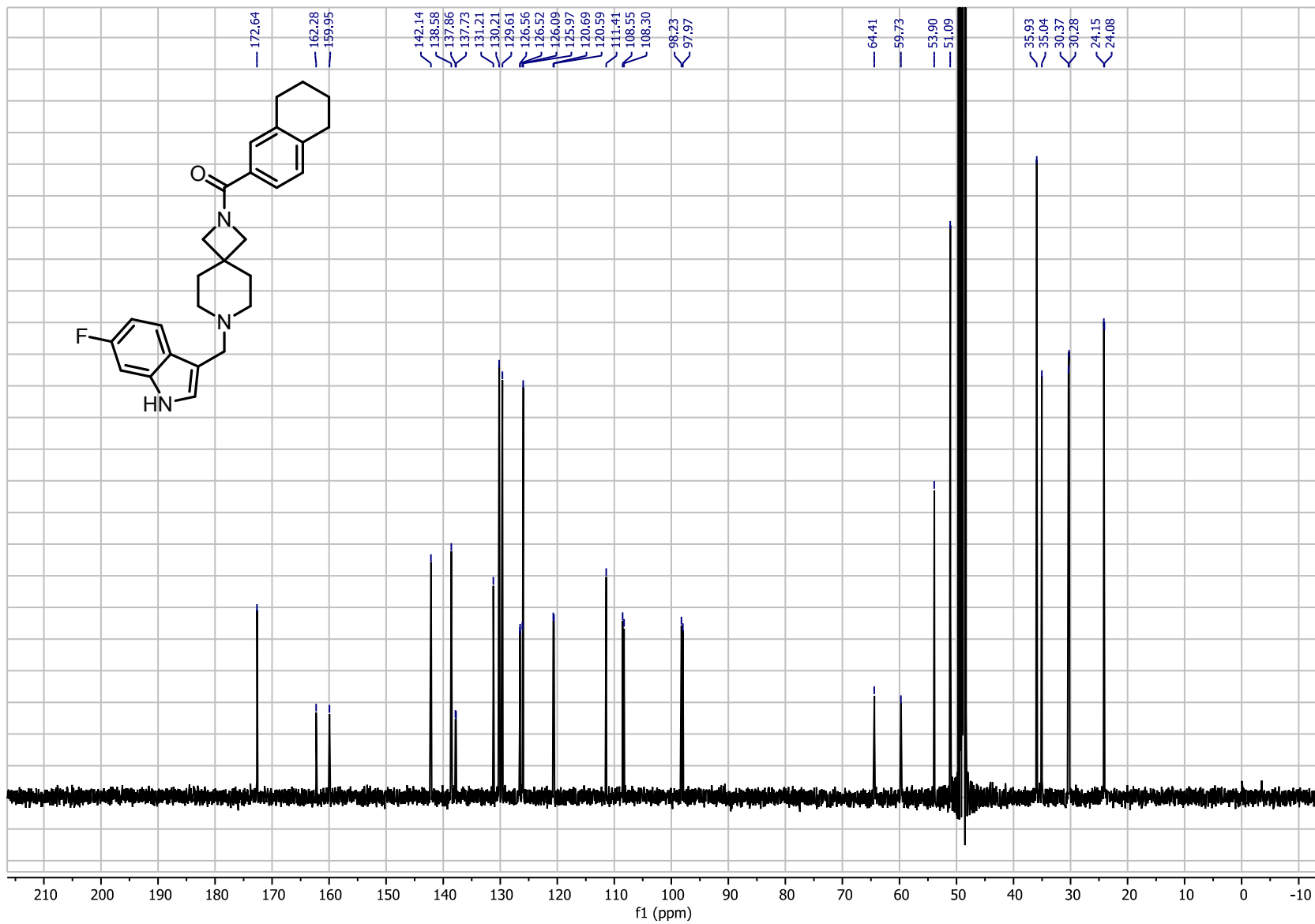


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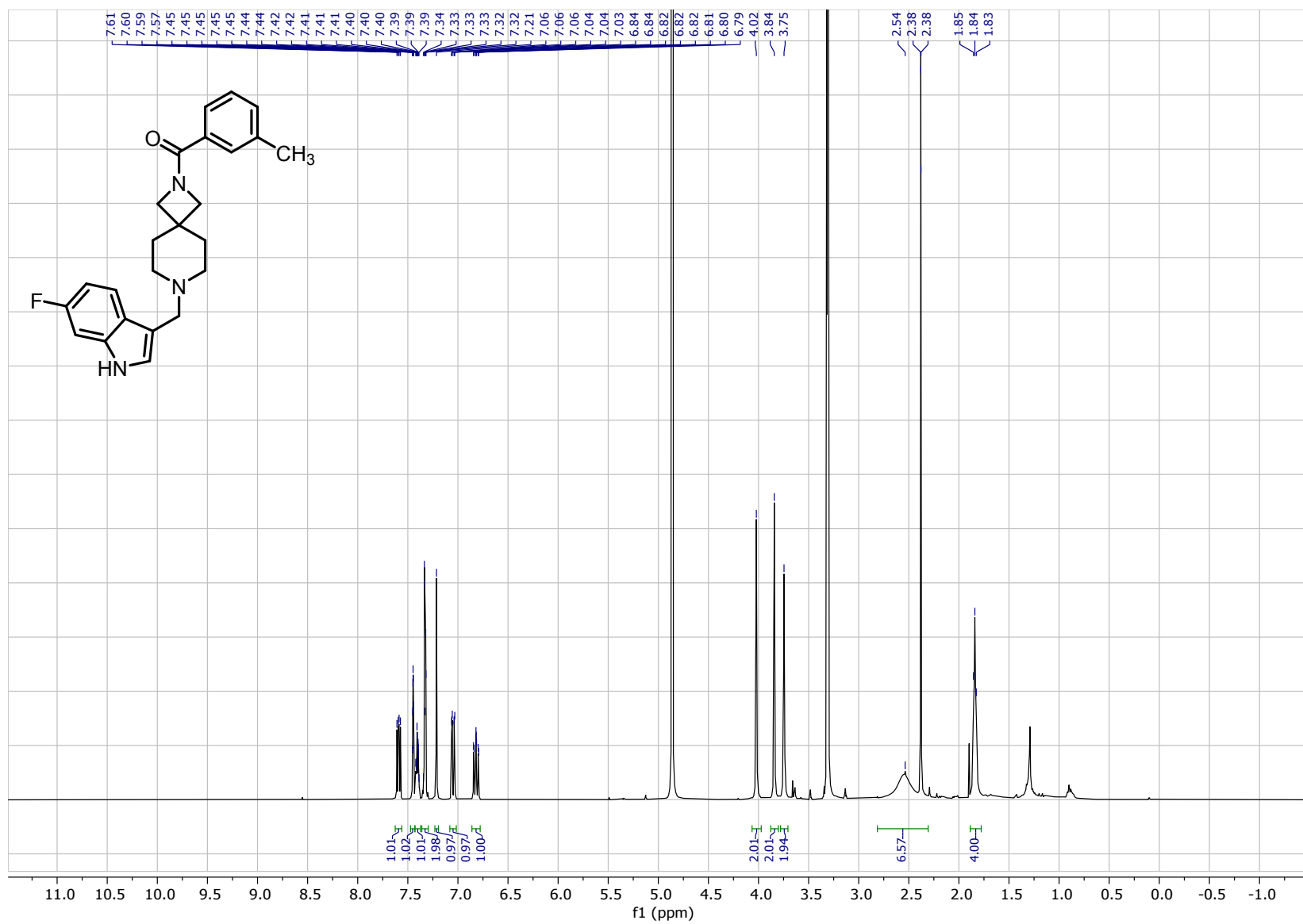


Figure S87: ^1H NMR spectrum of **32** in $\text{MeOD-}d_4$.

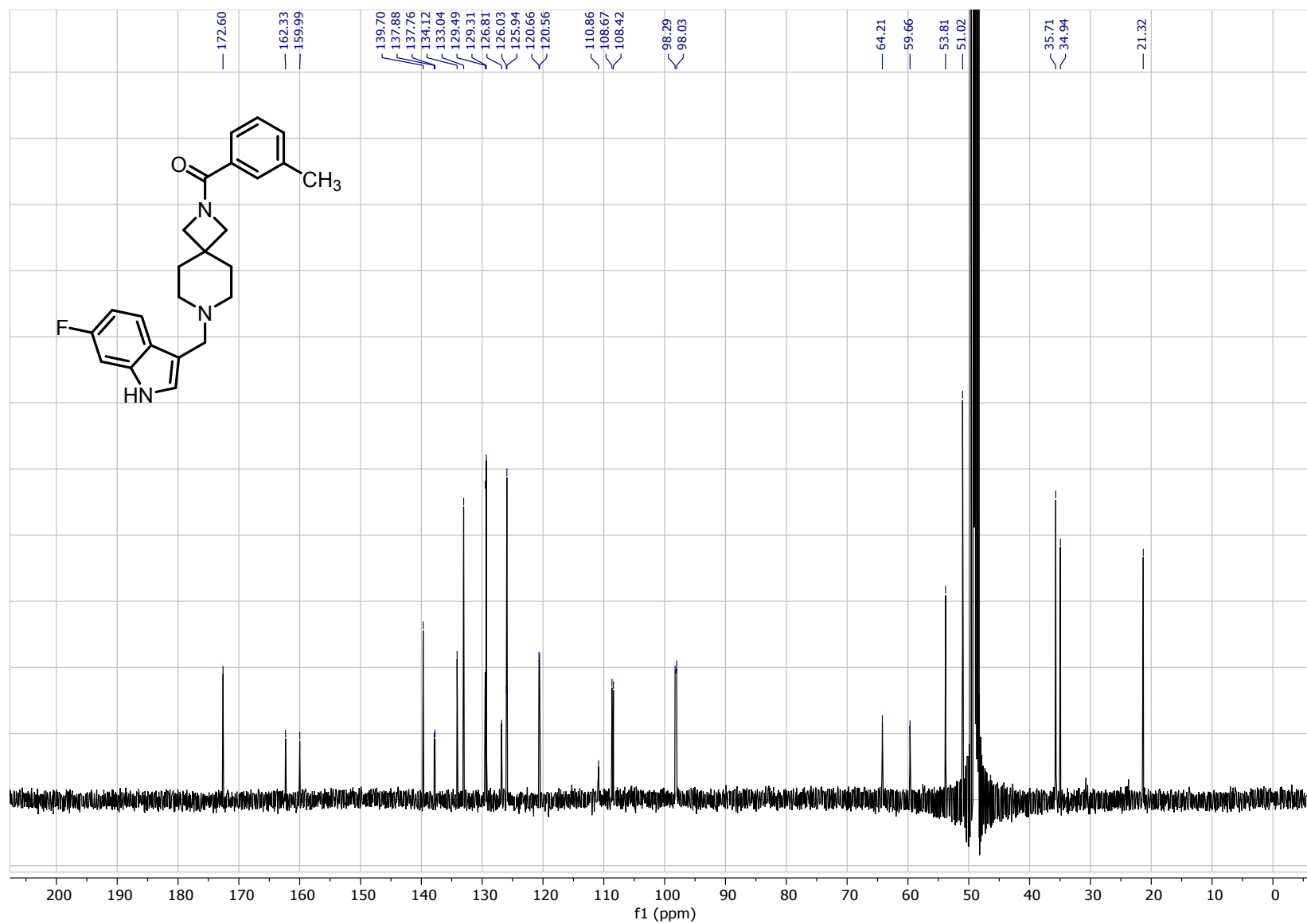


Figure S88: ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **32** in $\text{MeOD-}d_4$.

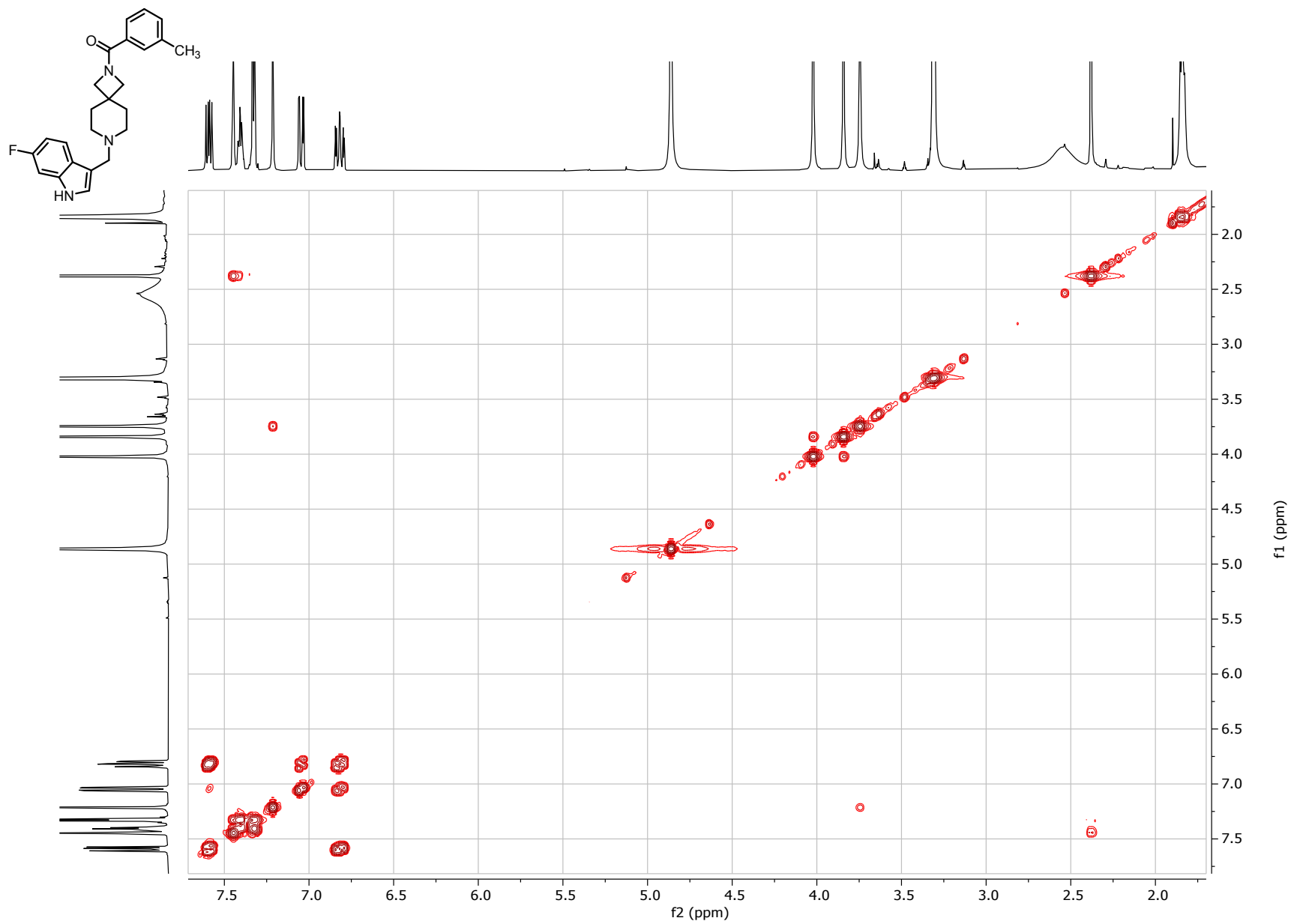


Figure S89: COSY spectrum of **32** in MeOD-*d*₄.

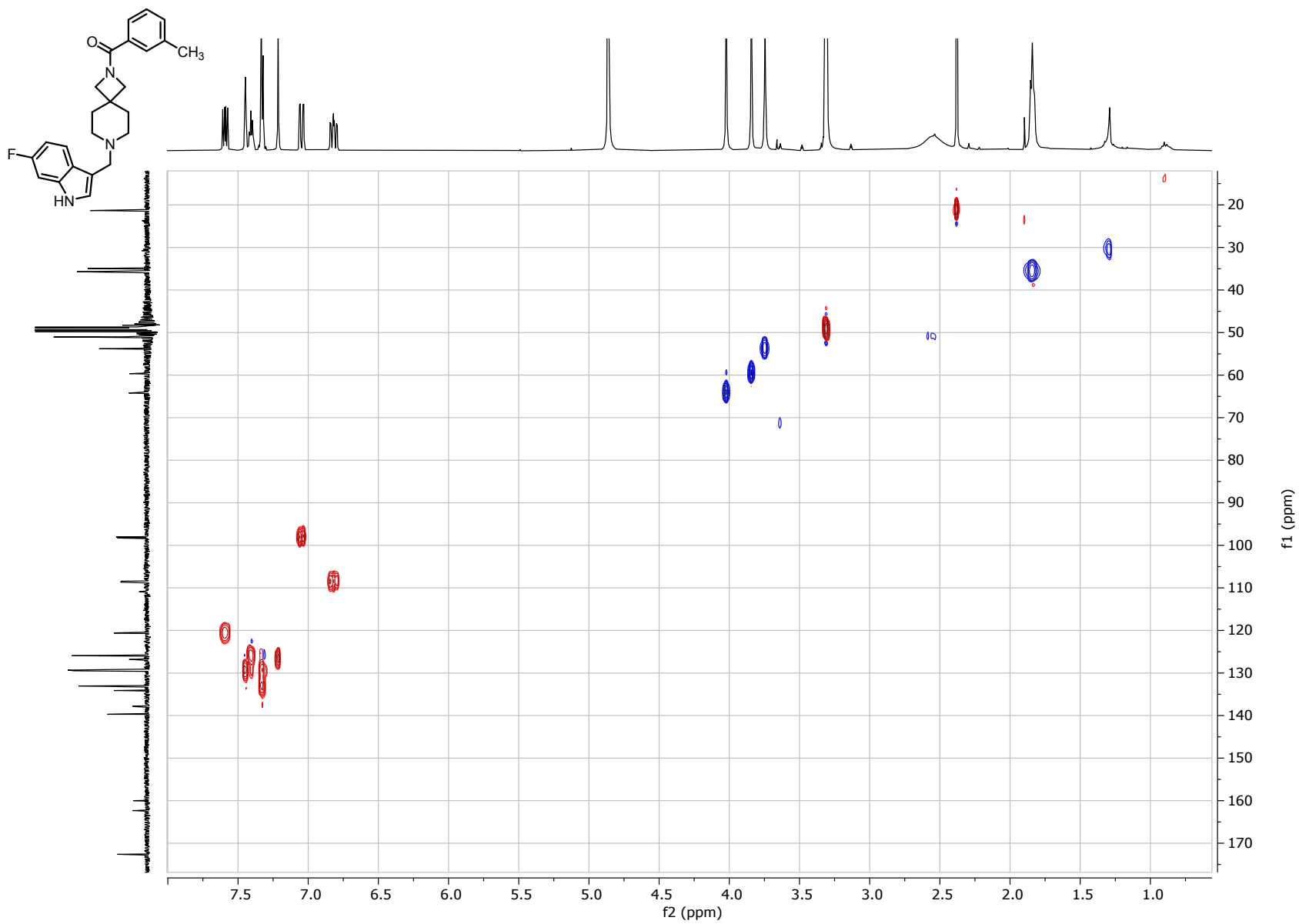


Figure S90: HSQC spectrum of **32** in MeOD- d_4 .

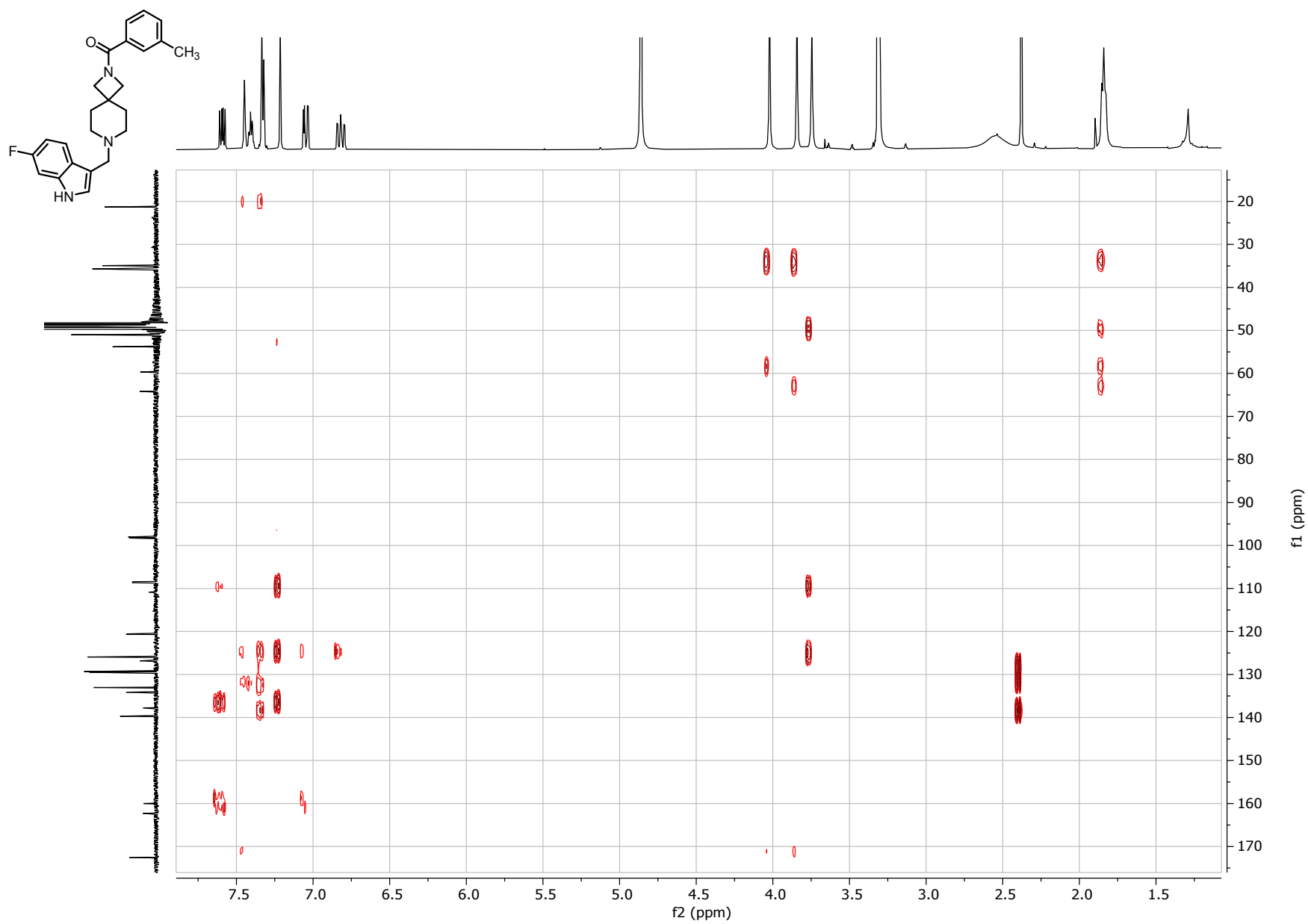


Figure S91: HMBC spectrum of **32** in MeOD-*d*₄.

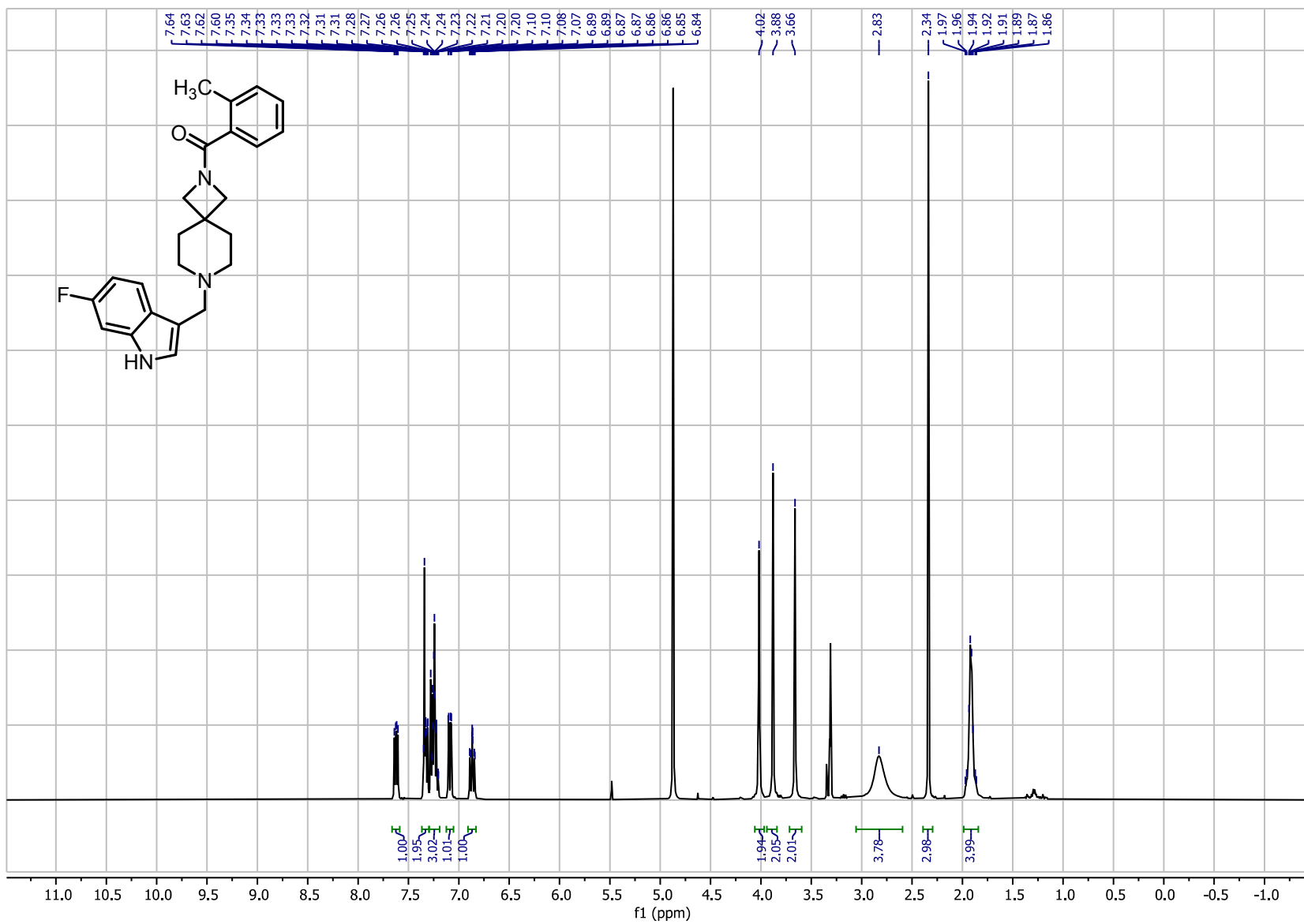


Figure S92: ¹H NMR spectrum of **33** in MeOD-*d*₄.

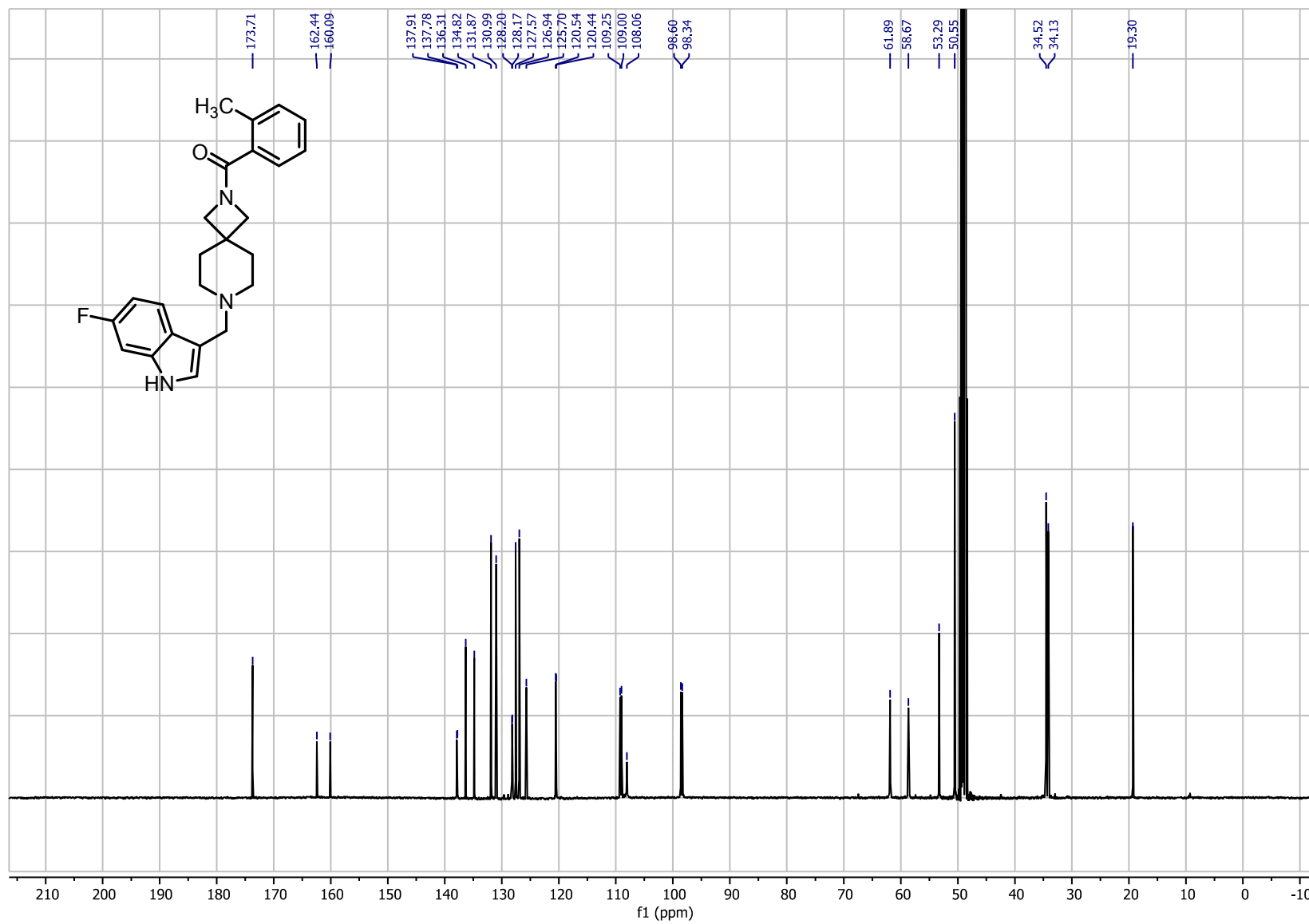


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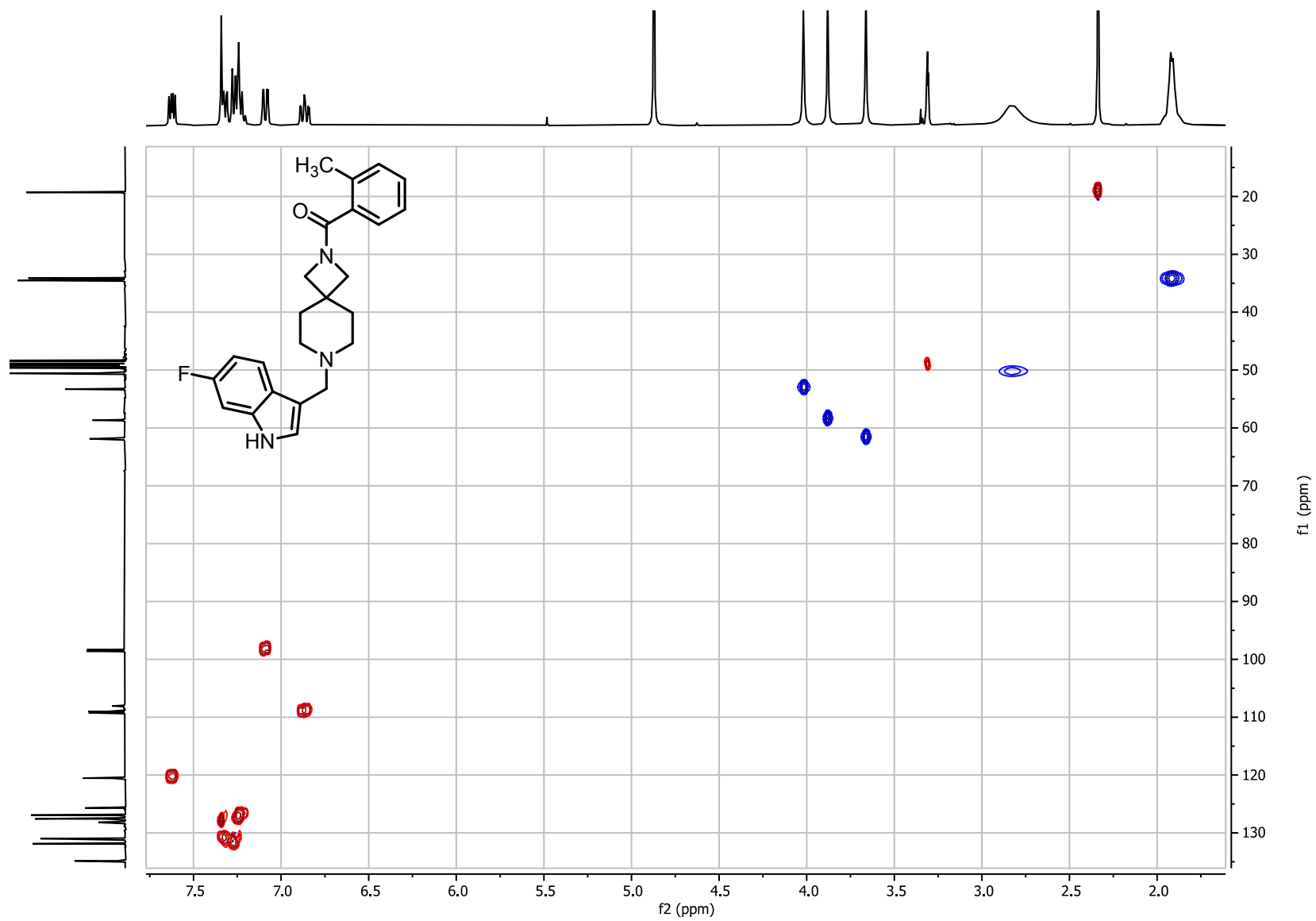


Figure S94: HSQC spectrum of **33** in $\text{MeOD-}d_4$.

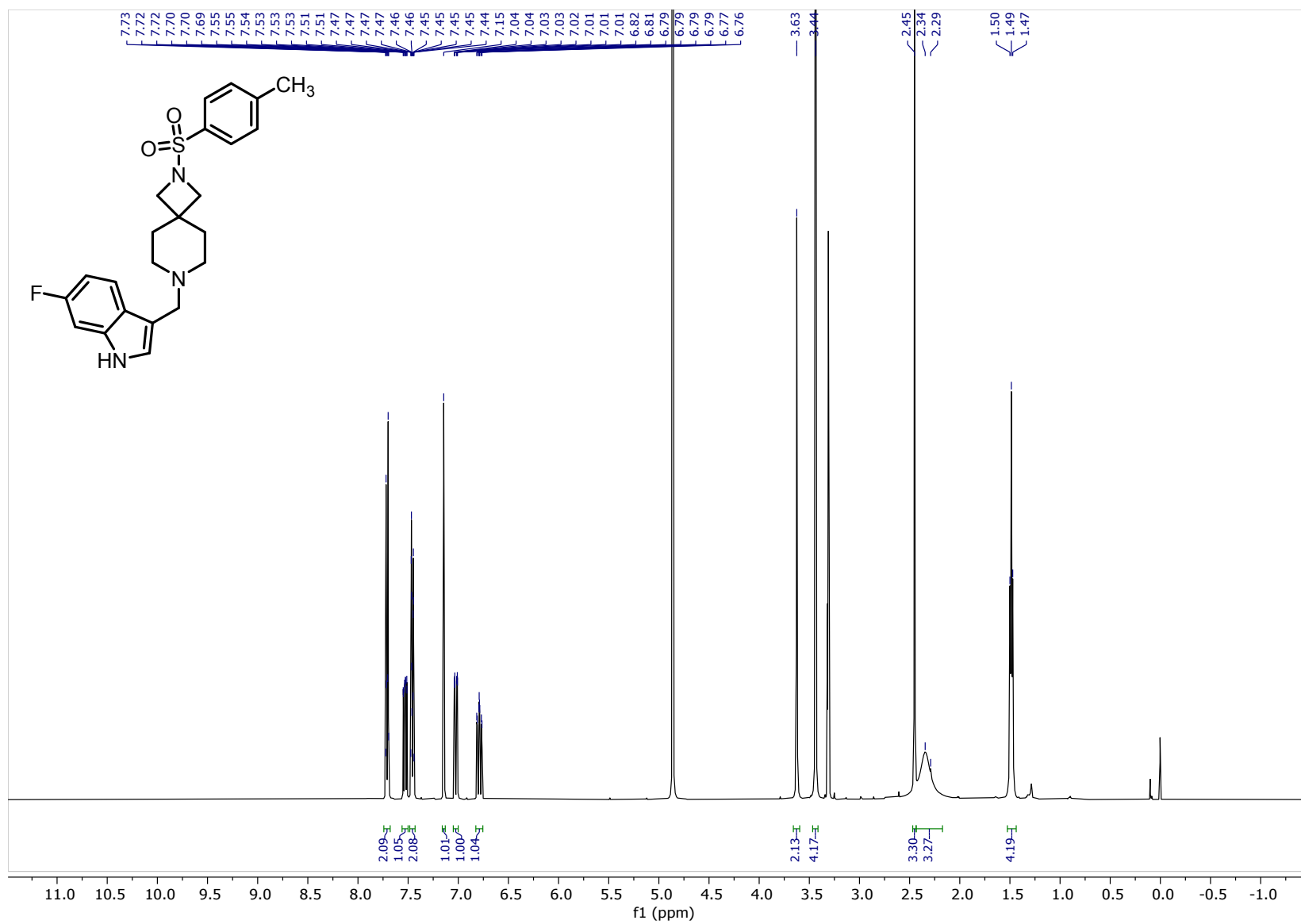


Figure S95: ^1H NMR spectrum of **34** in $\text{MeOD-}d_4$.

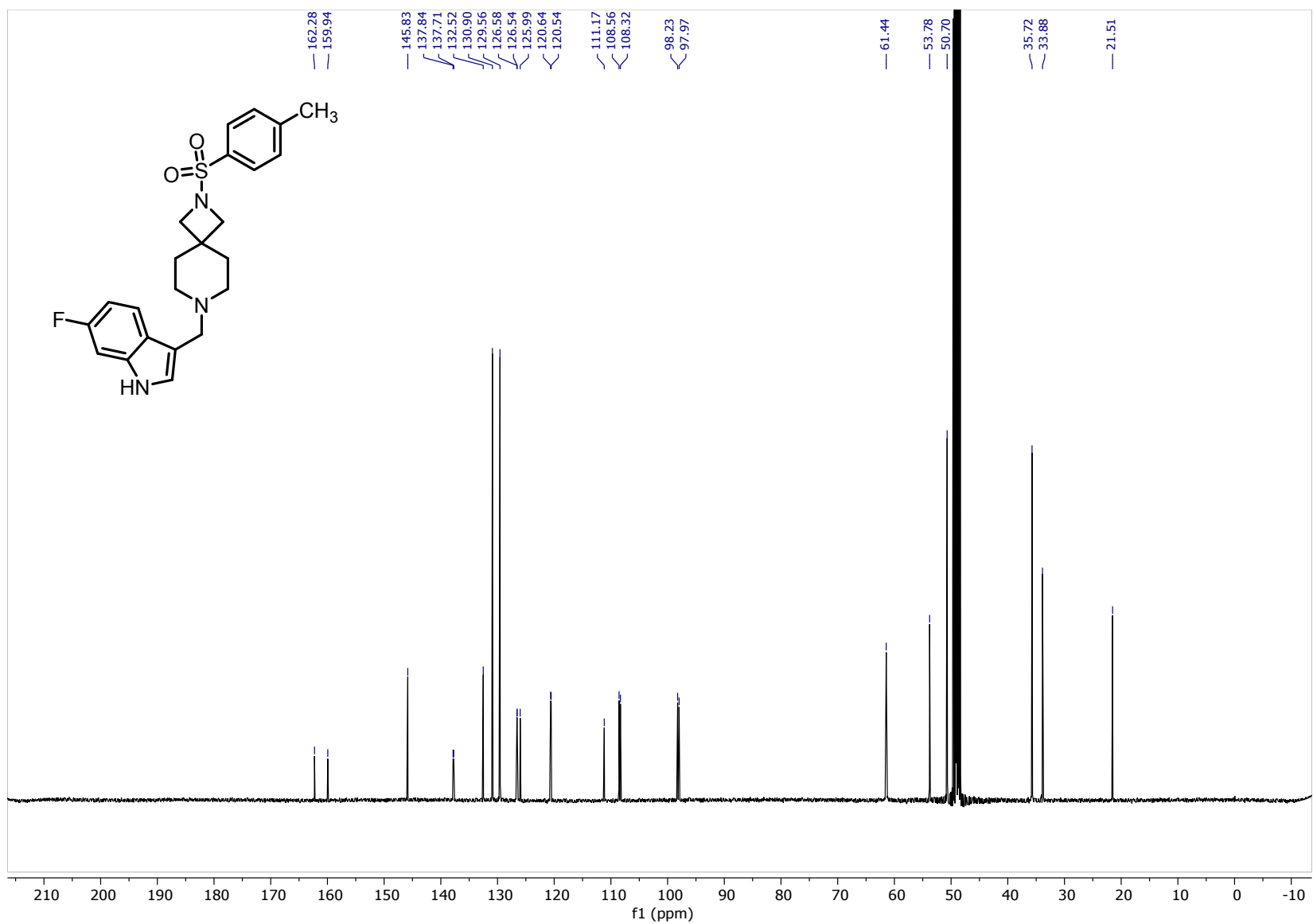


Figure S96: ¹³C NMR spectrum of **34** in MeOD-*d*₄.

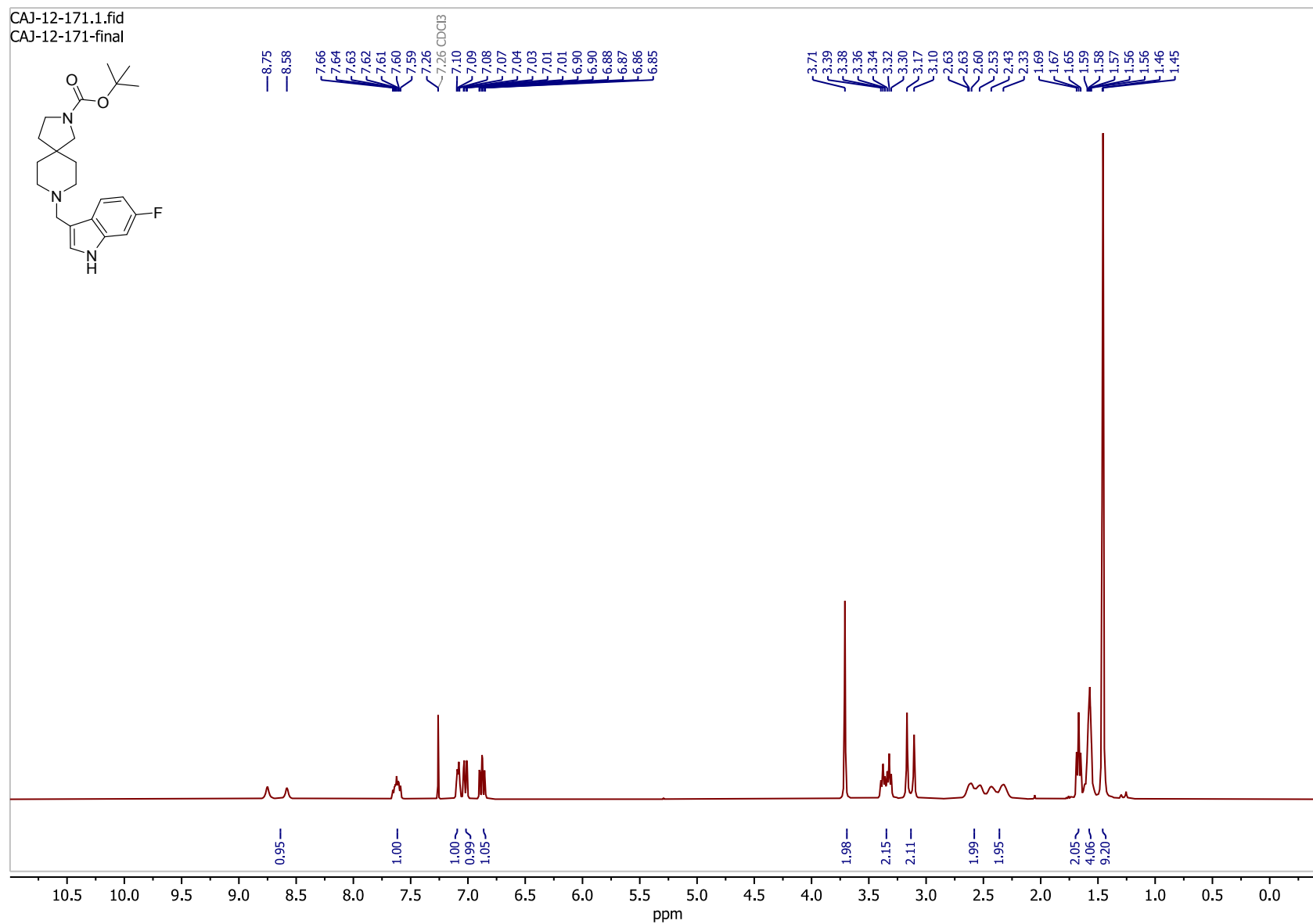


Figure S97: ¹H NMR spectrum of **40** in CDCl₃.

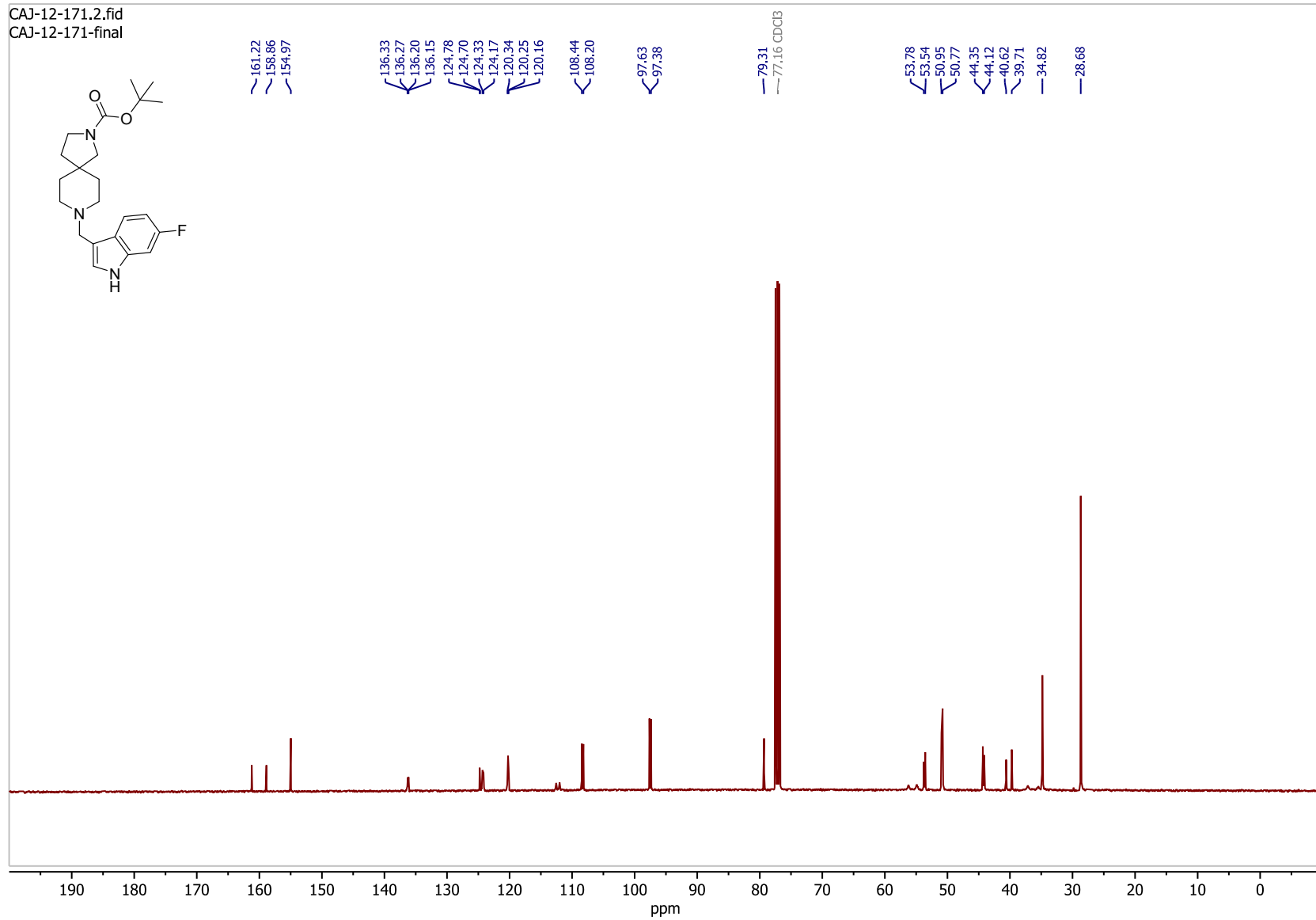


Figure S98: ¹³C NMR spectrum of **40** in CDCl₃.

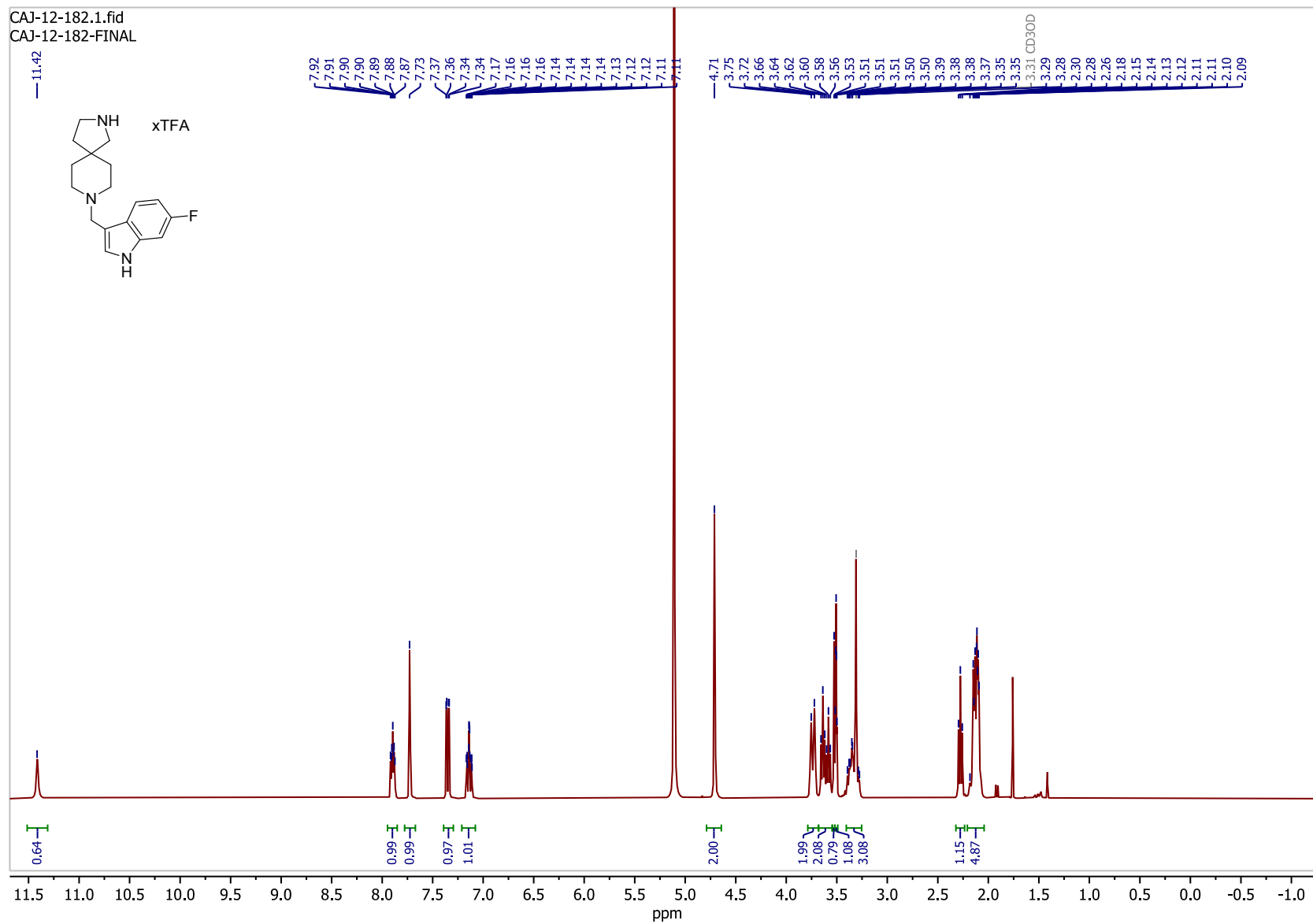


Figure S99: ^1H NMR spectrum of **41** in $\text{MeOD-}d_4$.

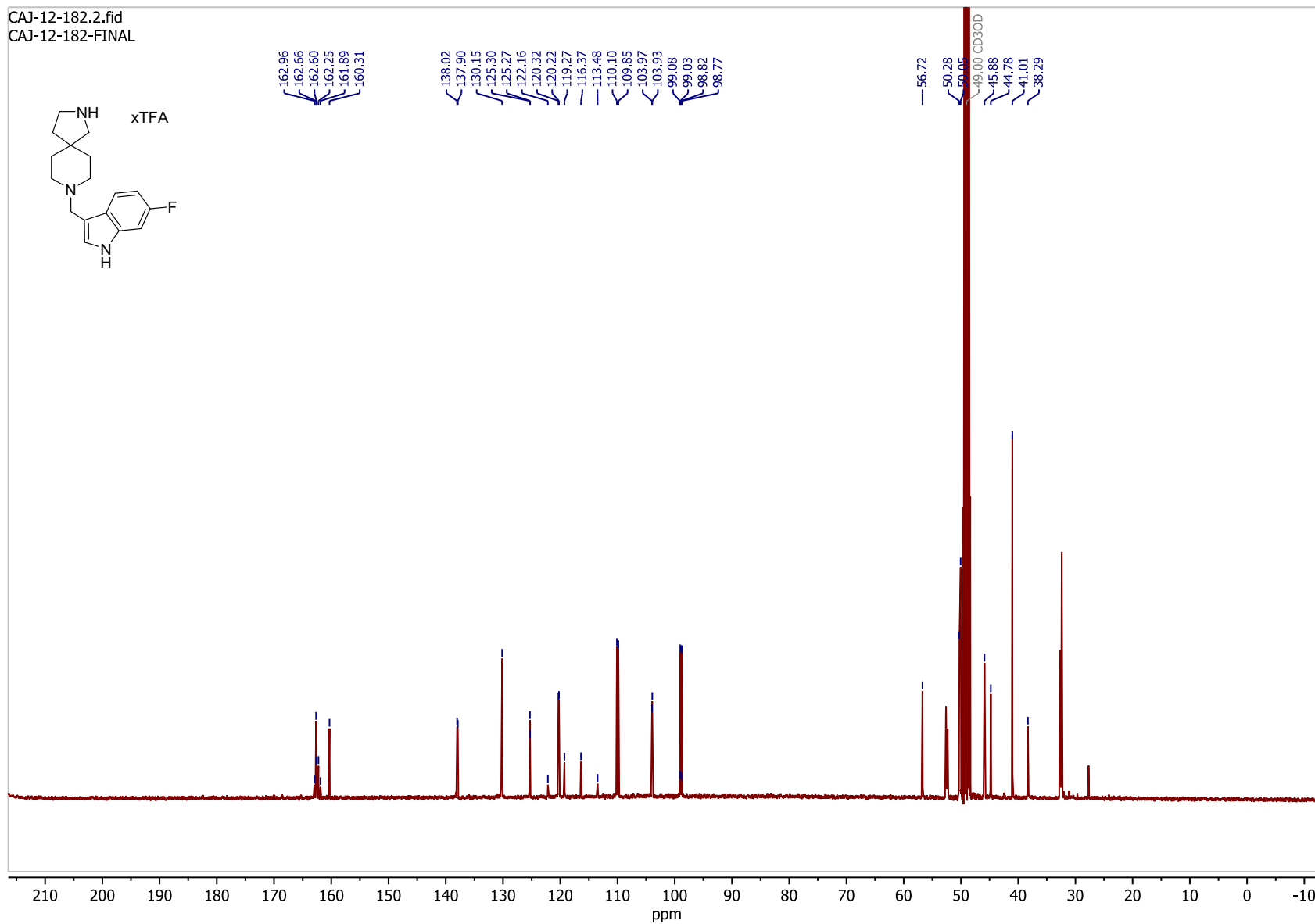


Figure S100: ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **41** in MeOD- d_4 .

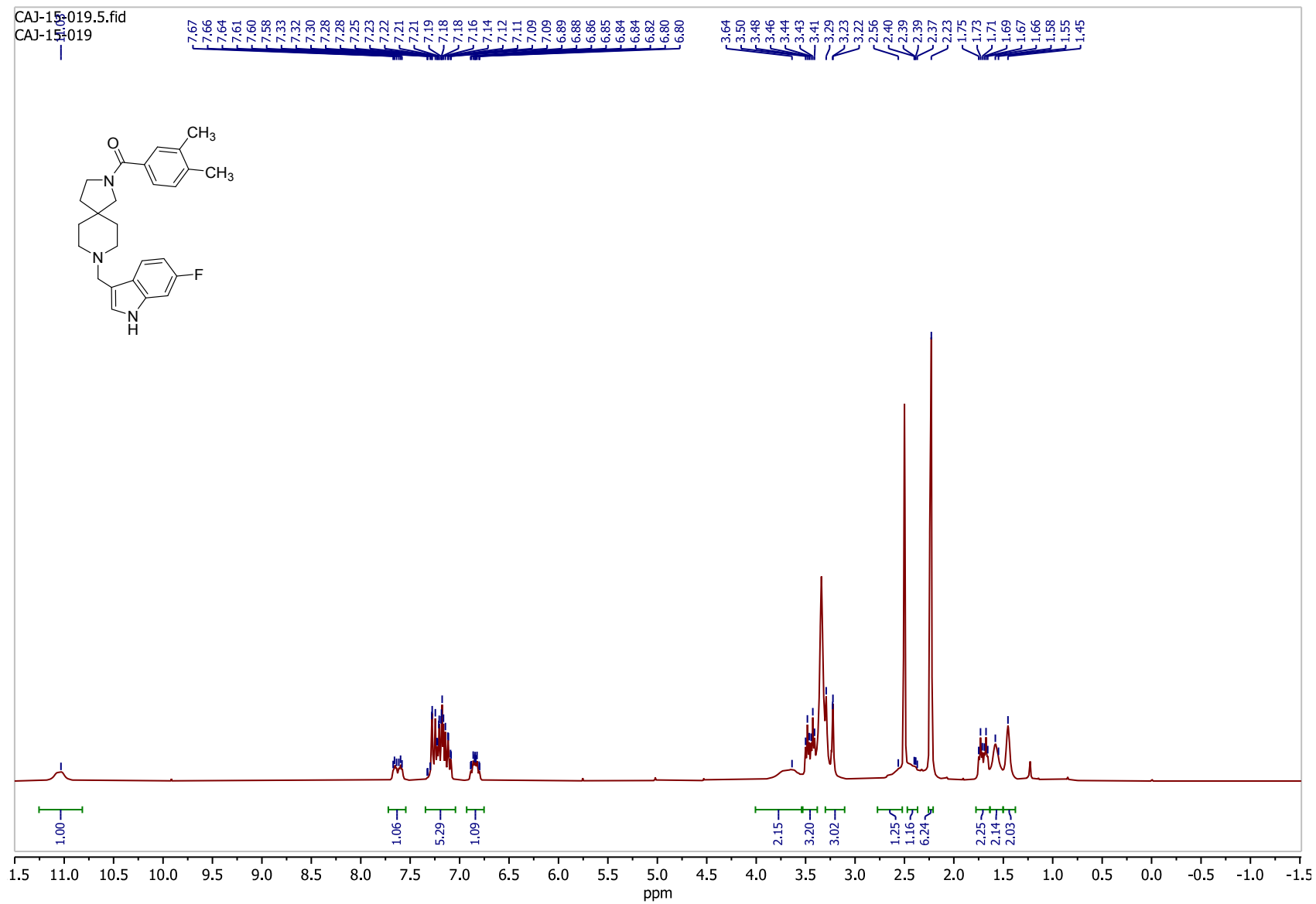


Figure S101: ^1H NMR spectrum of **41** in $\text{DMSO}-d_6$.

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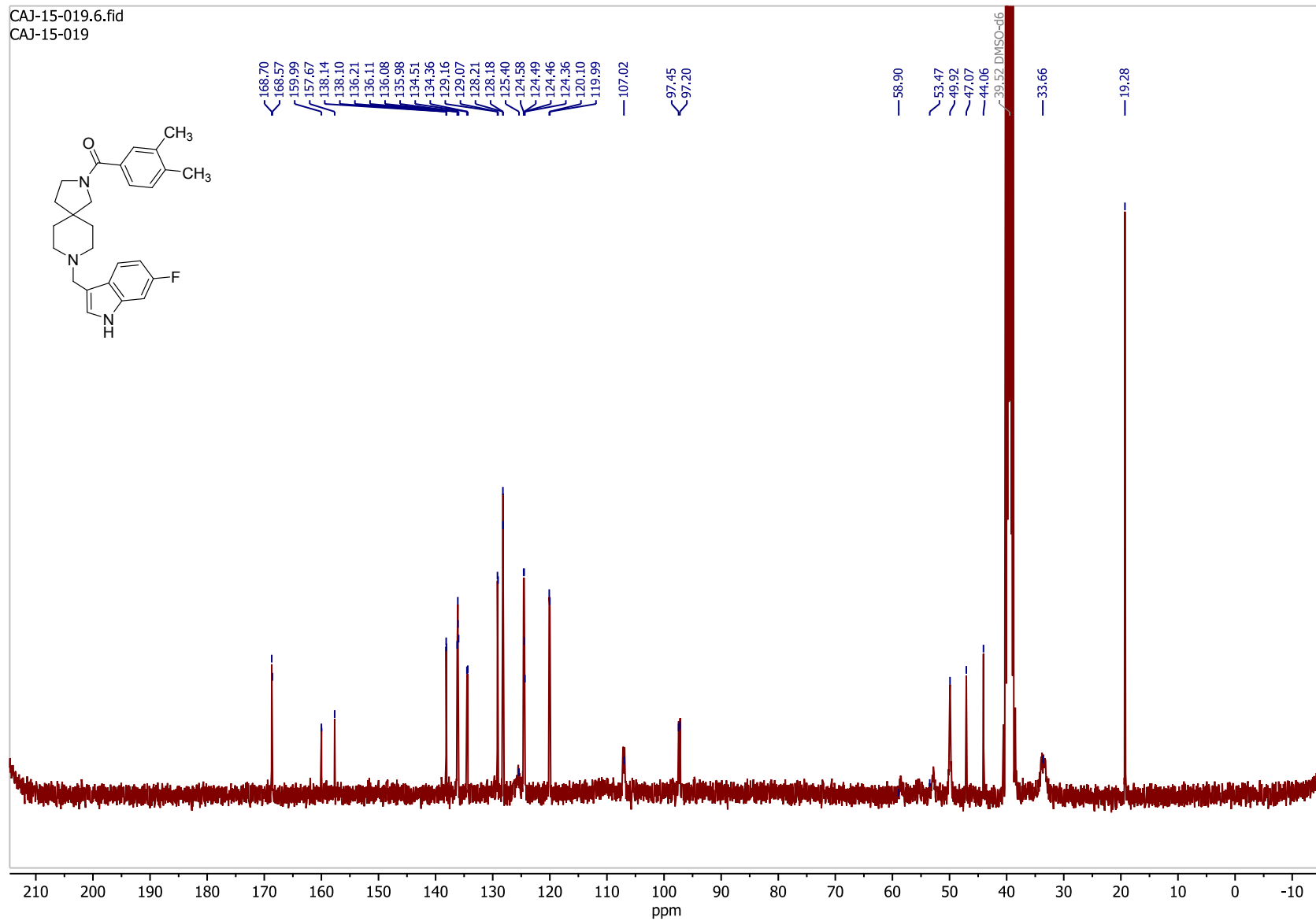


Figure S102: ¹³C NMR spectrum of **41** in DMSO-*d*₆.

IV. DMPK Methods

i. Human Dopamine GPCR Binding Antagonist Assay

Percent inhibition was determined through radioligand binding assays at EuroFins (www.Eurofins.com). Below are the reported methods used by Eurofins obtained through their site; further information about the assays can be obtained through the hyperlinked text below.

D_{4.4}R

CHO-K1 cells stably transfected with a plasmid encoding the human dopamine D4.4 receptor are used to prepare membranes in modified Tris-HCl buffer pH 7.4. A 100 µg[†] aliquot of membrane is incubated with 1.2 nM [³H]Spiperone for 120 minutes at 25 °C. Non-specific binding is estimated in the presence of 10 µM haloperidol. Membranes are filtered and washed, and the filters are then counted to determine [³H]Spiperone specifically bound. Compounds are screened at 10 µM.

Note: [†]Membrane protein may change from lot to lot, the concentration used will be adjusted if necessary.

[D4.4 Human Dopamine GPCR Binding Antagonist Radioligand LeadHunter Assay - TW \(eurofinsdiscovery.com\)](http://eurofinsdiscovery.com)

D₁R

This assay measures binding of [³H]SCH-23390 to human dopamine D1 receptors. CHO cells stably transfected with a plasmid encoding the human dopamine D1 receptor are used to prepare membranes in modified Tris-HCl pH 7.4 buffer using standard techniques. A 20 µg[†] aliquot of membrane is incubated with 1.4 nM [³H]SCH-23390 for 120 minutes at 37 °C. Non-specific binding is estimated in the presence of 10 µM (+)-butaclamol. Membranes are filtered and washed 3 times and the filters are counted to determine [³H]SCH-23390 specifically bound. Compounds are screened at 10 µM.

Note: [†]Membrane protein may change from lot to lot, the concentration used will be adjusted if necessary.

[D1 Human Dopamine GPCR Binding Antagonist Radioligand LeadHunter Assay - TW \(eurofinsdiscovery.com\)](http://eurofinsdiscovery.com)

D_{2L}R

Human recombinant dopamine D2L receptor expressed in CHO cells are used in modified Tris-HCl buffer pH 7.4. A 20 µg[†] aliquot is incubated with 0.16 nM [³H]Spiperone for 120 minutes at 25 °C. Non-specific binding is estimated in the presence of 10 µM haloperidol. Receptor proteins are filtered and washed, and the filters are then counted to determine [³H]Spiperone specifically bound. Compounds are screened at 10 µM.

Note: †Membrane protein may change from lot to lot, the concentration used will be adjusted if necessary.

[d2l-human-dopamine-gpcr-binding-antagonist-radioligand-leadhunter-assay-tw \(eurofinsdiscovery.com\)](http://eurofinsdiscovery.com)

D_{2S}R

This assay measures binding of [³H]Spiperone to human dopamine D2S (D2B) receptors. CHO cells stably transfected with a plasmid encoding the human dopamine D2S receptor are used to prepare membranes in modified Tris-HCl pH 7.4 buffer using standard techniques. A 15 µg† aliquot of membrane is incubated with 0.16 nM [³H]Spiperone for 120 minutes at 25 °C. Non-specific binding is estimated in the presence of 10 µM haloperidol. Membranes are filtered and washed 3 times and the filters are counted to determine [³H]Spiperone specifically bound. Compounds are screened at 10 µM.

Note: †Membrane protein may change from lot to lot, the concentration used will be adjusted if necessary.

[D2S Human Dopamine GPCR Binding Antagonist Radioligand LeadHunter Assay - TW \(eurofinsdiscovery.com\)](http://eurofinsdiscovery.com)

D₃R

This assay measures binding of [³H]Spiperone to human dopamine D3 receptors. CHO cells stably transfected with a plasmid encoding the human dopamine D3 receptor are used to prepare membranes in modified Tris-HCl pH 7.4 buffer using standard techniques. A 10 µg† aliquot of membrane is incubated with 0.7 nM [³H]Spiperone for 120 minutes at 37 °C. Non-specific binding is estimated in the presence of 25 µM S(-)-sulpiride. Membranes are filtered and washed 3 times, and the filters are counted to determine [³H]Spiperone specifically bound. Compounds are screened at 10 µM.

Note: †Membrane protein may change from lot to lot, the concentration used will be adjusted if necessary.

[D3 Human Dopamine GPCR Binding Antagonist Radioligand LeadHunter Assay - TW \(eurofinsdiscovery.com\)](http://eurofinsdiscovery.com)

ii. Materials

Potassium phosphate, ammonium formate, formic acid, magnesium chloride, carbamazepine, were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich (St. Louis, MO). Human liver microsomes (HLM) and rat liver microsomes (RLM) were obtained from BD Biosciences (Billerica, MA), with pooled gender at a concentration of 20 mg/mL protein. Microsomes were stored in an -80 °C freezer. All solvents used for bioanalysis were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich or Fisher Scientific (Waltham, MA) and were of high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) grade.

iii. Microsomal Stability

The metabolic stability of each compound was investigated in rat and human hepatic microsomes using substrate depletion methodology (% parent compound remaining). Prior to use, microsomes were removed from the freezer and allowed to thaw in a 37 °C water bath before placement on wet ice.

In separate 96-well plates for each time point, a mixture of 0.1M potassium phosphate-buffered (pH 7.4), 3 mM MgCl₂, and 2.5 mg/mL microsomes were pre-warmed at 37 °C for five minutes. Following the pre-incubation, 1 μM test compound and 1 mM NADPH (for 3, 7, 15, 25, or 45min time points) or buffer (for 0 min time point) were added to initiate the reaction. At the respective times, each plate's reaction was precipitated by the addition of 2 volumes of ice-cold acetonitrile containing an internal standard (carbamazepine, 50 nM). The plates were centrifuged at 4000 rcf (4 °C) for 5 min. The resulting supernatants were transferred and diluted 1:1 (supernatant: water) into new 96-well plates in preparation for LC/MS/MS analysis. Each compound was assayed in triplicate within the same 96-well plate. The in vitro half-life ($t_{1/2}$, min, Eq. 1), intrinsic clearance (CL_{int} , mL/min/kg, Eq. 2) and subsequent predicted hepatic clearance (CL_{hep} , mL/min/kg, Eq. 3) was determined employing the following equations:

- 1) $t_{1/2} = \ln(2) / k$; where k represents the slope from linear regression analysis (% test compound remaining)
- 2) $CL_{int} = (0.693 / t_{1/2})$ (reaction volume / mg microsomes) (45 mg microsomes / gram of liver) (20^a gm of liver / kg body weight); ^a scale-up factors of 20 (human) and 45 (rat)
- 3) $CL_{hep} = \frac{Q CL_{int}}{Q + CL_{int}}$

iv. Plasma Protein Binding

The protein binding of each compound was determined in rat or human plasma via equilibrium dialysis employing Single-Use RED Plates with inserts (ThermoFisher Scientific, Rochester, NY). Plasma (220 μL) was added to the 96 well plate containing test compound (5 μL) and mixed thoroughly. Subsequently, 200 μL of the plasma-compound mixture was transferred to the cis chamber (red) of the RED plate, with an accompanying 350 μL of phosphate buffer (25 mM, pH 7.4) in the trans chamber. The RED plate was sealed and incubated for 4 hours at 37°C with shaking. At completion, 50 μL aliquots from each chamber were diluted 1:1 (50 μL) with either plasma (cis) or buffer (trans) and transferred to a new 96 well plate, at which time ice-cold acetonitrile (2 volumes) was added to extract the matrices. The plate was centrifuged (3000 rpm, 10 min) and supernatants transferred and diluted 1:1 (supernatant: water) into a new 96 well plate, which was then sealed in preparation for LC/MS/MS analysis. Each compound was assayed in triplicate within the same 96-well plate.

v. Animal Care and Housing

All *in vivo* studies were carried out using adult male Sprague–Dawley rats (~300 g; 9-11 weeks old; Harlan, Indianapolis, IN), or age-matched adult male wild-type C57BL/6 mice (~40 g; 7-8 weeks old; Taconic Farms, Hudson, NY). Animals were group-housed under a 12/12 h light-dark cycle (lights on at 6 AM) with food and water available *ad libitum* unless stated elsewhere. All animal experiments were approved by the Vanderbilt University Animal Care and Use Committee, and experimental procedures conformed to guidelines established by the National Research Council Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals. All efforts were made to minimize animal suffering and the number of animals used.

vi. *In vivo* DMPK experimental

Compounds were formulated in a cassette format (5 compounds per formulation) in 10% ethanol, 39% PEG400, and 51% DMSO in sterile water at the concentration of (0.5 mL/kg) and administered intravenously to male Sprague- Dawley rats weighing 225 to 250 g (Harlan, Inc., Indianapolis, IN) at the dose of 0.2 mg/kg per compound. The rat blood was collected at 0.0333, 0.117, 0.25, 0.5, 1, 2, 4, 7, 24 hr. Trunk blood was collected in EDTA Vacutainer tubes, and plasma was separated by centrifugation and stored at -80 °C until analysis. Plasma JPET # 257204 4 was separated by centrifugation (4000 rcf, 4 °C) and stored at 80°C until analysis. The sample extraction of plasma (20 µL) was performed by a method based on protein precipitation using three volumes of ice-cold acetonitrile containing an internal standard (50 ng/mL carbamazepine). The samples were centrifuged (3000 rcf, 5 min) and supernatants transferred and diluted 1:1 (supernatant: water) into a new 96 well plate, which was then sealed in preparation for LC/MS/MS analysis.

vii. Liquid Chromatography-Mass Spectrometry Analysis

The analysis of *in vitro* and *in vivo* samples from microsomal stability, plasma protein binding, or *in vivo* pharmacokinetic experiments was determined employing LC-MS/MS with an electrospray ionization enabled 5500 Sciex instrument (Sciex, Foster City, CA) that was coupled to Agilent HPLC pumps and autosampler (Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA). Analytes were separated by gradient elution using a Kinetex C18 column (2.1 × 50 mm, 5 µm; Phenomenex, Torrance, CA) warmed to 35 °C. Mobile phase A was 0.5% formic acid in water and mobile phase B was 0.5% formic acid in acetonitrile. The gradient started at 5% B after a 0.2-minute hold and was linearly increased to 95% B over 1.5 minute, held at 95% B for 0.2 minute, and returned to 5% B in 0.1 minute, followed by a re-equilibration (0.3 minute). The total run time was 2.8 minutes, and the HPLC flow rate was 0.5 ml/min. Mass spectral analyses were performed using multiple reaction monitoring, with transitions and voltages specific for each analyte using a Turbo Ion Spray source (source temp 500 °C) in positive ionization mode (5.0 kV spray voltage). Data were analyzed using OS Sciex Analyst 1.5.1 (SCIEX, Framingham, MA, USA). Non-compartmental analysis for *in vivo* pharmacokinetics was done using Phoenix 64 WinNonlin (Certara, L.P., St. Louis, MO, USA) Further analysis employed Graphpad Prism 10.1.0 (GraphPad Software, Boston, Massachusetts USA), Microsoft Excel version 2310 (Microsoft, Redmond, WA, USA).

viii. Kinetic Solubility

Method: Adapted standard shake flask method to run in 1 mL 96-deep-well plates at a concentration of 100 μM in McIlvaine Buffer at pH values of 2.2 and 6.8 from 10 mM DMSO stock solutions. Compounds are prepared in triplicate and incubated in buffer at room temperature for 18 hours while shaking at 700 RPM. After incubation the 96-deep-well plate is centrifuged at 5000 g for 10 minutes, half of the volume is transferred to another deep well plate and centrifuged again at 5000 g for 10 minutes. 200 μL are transferred from each well to a Greiner Bio-one 200 μL 96-well V-bottom plate and sealed. A six-point calibration curve is prepared for each compound ranging from 100 μM down to 0.5 μM . All samples are analyzed via UV-UHPLC on an Agilent 1290 Infinity (binary pump, auto-sampler, column compartment at 55 °C, and PDA) with a Phenomenex Kinetex EVO C18, 50 x 1 mm, 1.7 μm , 100 Å column, at 0.5 mL. Injections of 3 μL are analyzed with gradient elution using Milli-Q water with 0.05% trifluoroacetic acid (A1) and acetonitrile with 0.05% trifluoroacetic acid (B1) from 95:5 A1/B1 to 5:95 A1/B1 over 1.3 minutes with a 0.2 minute hold at 5:95 A1/B1. Wavelengths at 215 nm and 254 nm are monitored, peaks are integrated, and the peak area and peak height are used with linear regression analysis from the calibration curves to determine the solubility values.¹⁻³

Solubility Data for Selected Compounds:

VUID	Compound No.	Solubility (μM)	
		pH = 2.2	pH = 6.8
VU6053634	4	95.3	88.9
VU6063659	5	83.4	87.0
VU6063524	6	89.4	83.1
VU6063528	9	84.2	31.6
VU6063525	12	88.3	87.4
VU6063946	13	90.5	88.2
VU6063242	20	86.4	82.7
VU6063244	21	84.6	81.5
VU6063243	22	87.1	83.0
VU6063265	27	85.0	79.7
VU6063267	29	91.9	85.3
VU6063269	31	82.7	79.6
VU6063270	32	91.2	87.0
VU6063271	33	92.9	87.7

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V. Computational Methods

i. Virtual Screening

Dataset Preparation:

We trained our ligand-based quantitative structure-activity relationship (QSAR) models using publicly available datasets in PubChem for orthosteric antagonists of the D₂, D₃, D₄, and D₅ dopamine receptors. For the purposes of this study, we only included in our training datasets only molecules for which there are confirmatory screens (i.e., K_i, K_d, or IC₅₀ values) performed. In cases where multiple confirmatory measurements were available for a molecule, the values were averaged. Molecules with repeat measurements were excluded if their activity values exhibited standard deviations exceeding 10x the average.

Molecules were standardized via the following steps: (i) molecules were obtained in SDF format, (ii) explicit hydrogen atoms were added, (iii) all molecules were neutralized, (iv) any salts or other non-defining molecular entities in the SDF were removed; (v) a single 3D conformer was generated for all molecules using the CORINA conformer generator¹; (vi) molecules were excluded if they lacked valid Gasteiger atom types.² Subsequently, features were generated for each molecule using a collection of 2D and 3D signed property autocorrelations and other metrics as previously described in Mendenhall & Meiler 2016³ as the 'Minimal' feature set.

Neural Network Model Architecture and Training:

Our QSAR models consisted of a multitask artificial neural network (ANN) for each target (D₄R) and off-target (D₂R, D₃R, and D₅R) protein. Each ANN contained a single hidden layer with 32 neurons. The input and hidden layers employed 5% and 25% dropout, respectively. The models were trained to predict the likelihood of a molecule being active at or below 5 specific thresholds (1 nM, 10 nM, 100 nM, 1000 nM, and 10,000 nM). Each molecule therefore contained a classification label (i.e., 1.0 for active or 0.0 for inactive) for each result. A parity of 0.5 was utilized, such that model outputs for any result label above 0.5 indicated true (i.e., active at that result label), and mean absolute error was utilized for the loss. Sigmoid activation functions were used throughout. Calibration curves were generated to associate predicted probabilities with model output values, which we refer to here and elsewhere as 'localPPV'.^{2,3}

Screening of Compound Libraries:

Utilizing our QSAR models, we virtually screened the 2019q3-4 Enamine REAL database and LifeChemicals discovery set. All test molecules were prepared to be consistent with the training dataset.

ii. Property-based Small Molecule Flexible Alignment

We used BCL::MolAlign to perform property-based small molecule flexible alignment of select virtual hits and experimentally validated screening molecules to the selective D₄R antagonist L-745,870 in its experimentally determined binding pose.^{4,5} We used default properties, property weights, Monte Carlo – Metropolis (MCM) iterations, refinement iterations, and independent cycles for BCL::MolAlign. We modified the default conformer generation settings in BCL::MolAlign to be consistent with the update to the BCL conformer generator.⁶ Specifically, conformers were generated utilizing the conformation comparer SymmetryRMSD with a tolerance of 0.25 Å. For each molecule, 4000 iterations were performed during the conformer generation process. Up to 5 unique poses from the best scoring alignments were saved for further analysis.

iii. Protein-ligand Docking and Interaction Energy Analysis

Molecular Docking:

For our docking studies, we made use of a crystallographic structure of mouse D₄R bound to L745,870 (PDB ID 6IQL)⁵ as template for human D₂R and D₄R. We prepared the receptor as a monomer and performed comparative modeling in Rosetta⁷ and refined with backbone-constrained Rosetta Relax (iterative sidechain repacking and minimization) to generate the human receptors. We reasoned that because we were looking specifically for selective D₄R antagonists, we should dock our small molecule ligands into receptor pockets pre-organized to accept a known selective antagonist. Prior to docking, protonation states were assigned to each molecule using the Molecular Operating Environment (MOE) protomers pKa tool.⁸ The molecular docking phase utilized RosettaLigand⁹ employing the Talaris2014 Rosetta energy function.¹⁰ For each molecule, BCL::Conf was used to generate up to 250 unique conformers. BCL::Conf was run with 8000 iterations. Conformations were compared using the SymmetryRMSD metric at a tolerance of 0.25 Å.⁶ Subsequently, up to 10,000 candidate poses were generated during docking – docking poses were initialized from each of the possible 5 best alignments from BCL::MolAlign, and 2000 poses were generated from each alignment. The docked poses selected as most likely were those with the best Talaris2014 interaction energies.

Interaction Energy Analysis:

Following docking, select compounds were further evaluation with quantum mechanical (QM) interaction energy analysis. All QM calculations were performed using GAMESS 2023 R1¹¹ and the density functional tight-binding method DFTB3-D3^{12,13} and aqueous SMD solvent. A region of the protein-ligand complex was selected for QM calculations (i.e., the QM model system) by identifying residues within 4.0 Å of any ligand atom unless otherwise specified in the main text. Breakpoints in the backbone were capped with hydrogen atoms. We performed geometry optimization with DFTB3-D3 using the QM model system. Atoms previously involved in covalent connections to residues not included in the QM model system were frozen in space during geometry optimization. Following geometry optimization, two calculations were performed on the QM model system to estimate the interaction energies: one for the protein-ligand complex and another where the ligand was separated from the protein by 100 Å.

iv. Molecular Dynamics Simulations

Molecular dynamics simulations were conducted using the AMBER 21 software package.¹⁴ The ff19SB protein force field¹⁵, OPC water model¹⁶, Lipid21 lipids force field¹⁷, and GAFF2 force field for ligands were employed. Protein systems were embedding in explicit POPC membranes and solvated with explicit OPC waters using the packmol-memgen program¹⁸ in AmberTools. The system was neutralized and brought to a concentration of 150 mM NaCl.¹⁹ We utilized periodic boundary conditions and the Particle Mesh Ewald (PME) method for long-range electrostatic interactions with a 12.0 Angstrom electrostatics cutoff. Covalent bonds involving hydrogen atoms were constrained with the SHAKE algorithm.²⁰

We sequentially performed minimization of the solvent, solute, and then full system with 1,000 steps of steepest gradient descent followed by 4,000 steps of conjugate gradient descent for each stage. Afterward, the system was heated to 100K in the canonical (NVT) ensemble and allowed to equilibrate for 1.0 ns. The system was then heated in the isothermal-isobaric (NPT) ensemble at 1 bar with a Monte Carlo barostat and semi-isotropic scaling to 310 K over another 1.0 ns. Hydrogen mass repartitioning was performed on non-solvent atoms to enable a 4.0 fs production timestep. A Langevin thermostat with a collision frequency of 1.0 ps⁻¹ was used throughout all heating and production stages.

v. Surface Electrostatic Potential and Molecular Orbital Analysis

QM calculations were again performed using the GAMESS software (version 2023 R1).¹¹ Geometry optimizations were performed as described above with the tight-binding density functional method DFTB3-D3. Energy calculations from which surface electrostatic potential and molecular orbital analyses were performed using DFT at the wB97X-D/6-31G(d) level of theory²¹ on select atom subsets as shown in the corresponding figures. For the visualization of surfaces and orbitals, the wxMacMolPlt tool was employed.²²

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vii. Supplemental Figures

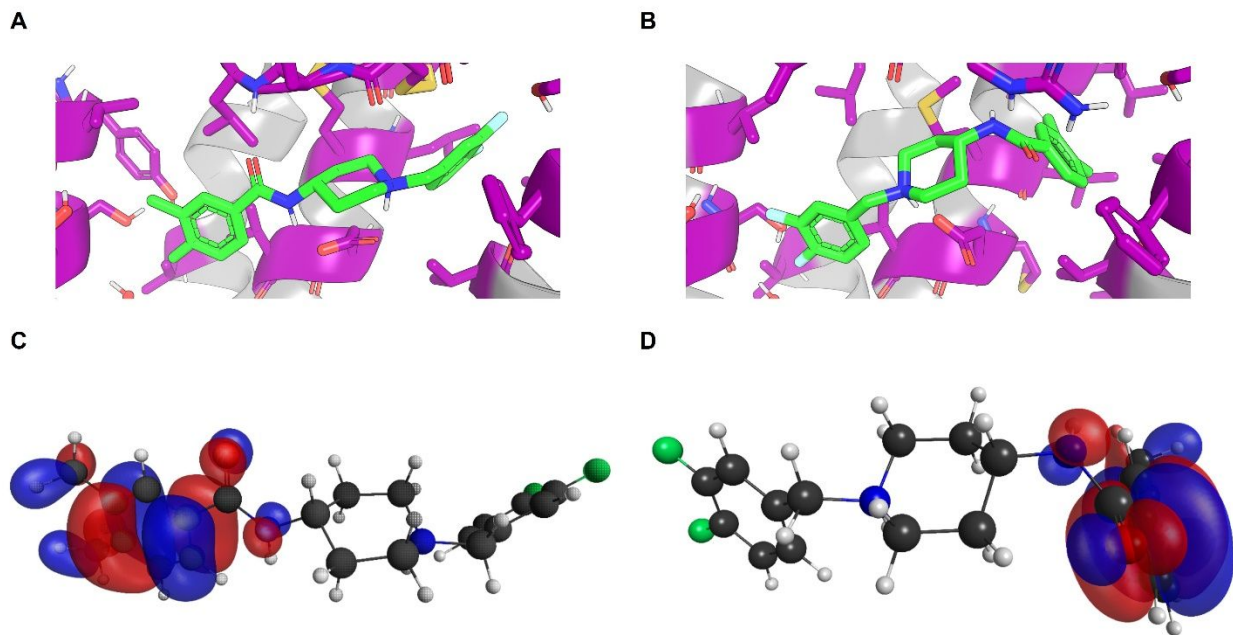


Figure S103. Discriminating two alternative binding modes in Compound VU6052469. (A) Docked binding pose 1 of compound VU6052469. **(B)** Docked binding pose 2 of compound VU6052469. **(C)** Highest occupied molecular orbital (HOMO) of compound VU6052469 in pose 1 and **(D)** pose 2.

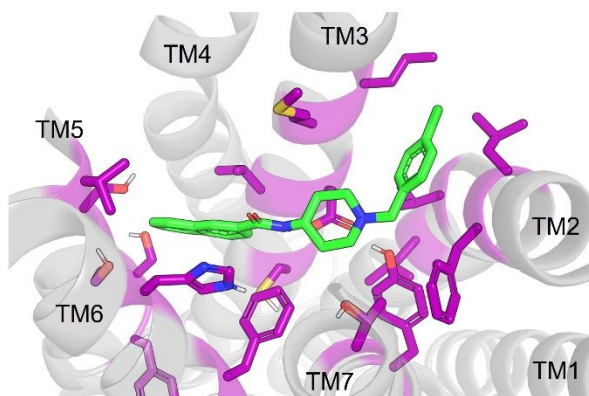
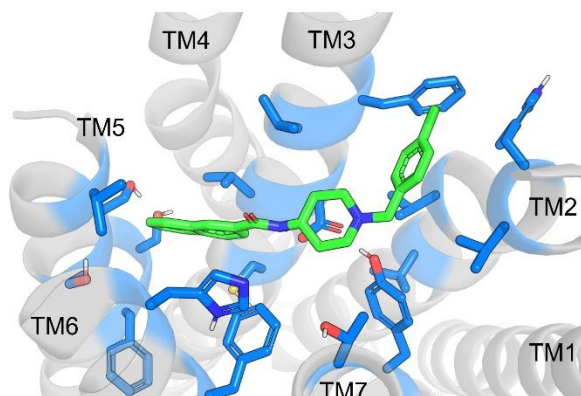
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Figure S104. Carato compound docked into D₄R and D₂R. (A) Carato compound docked into D₄R and (B) D₂R. Sidechains of pocket residues colored in purple and blue for D₄R and D₂R, respectively.

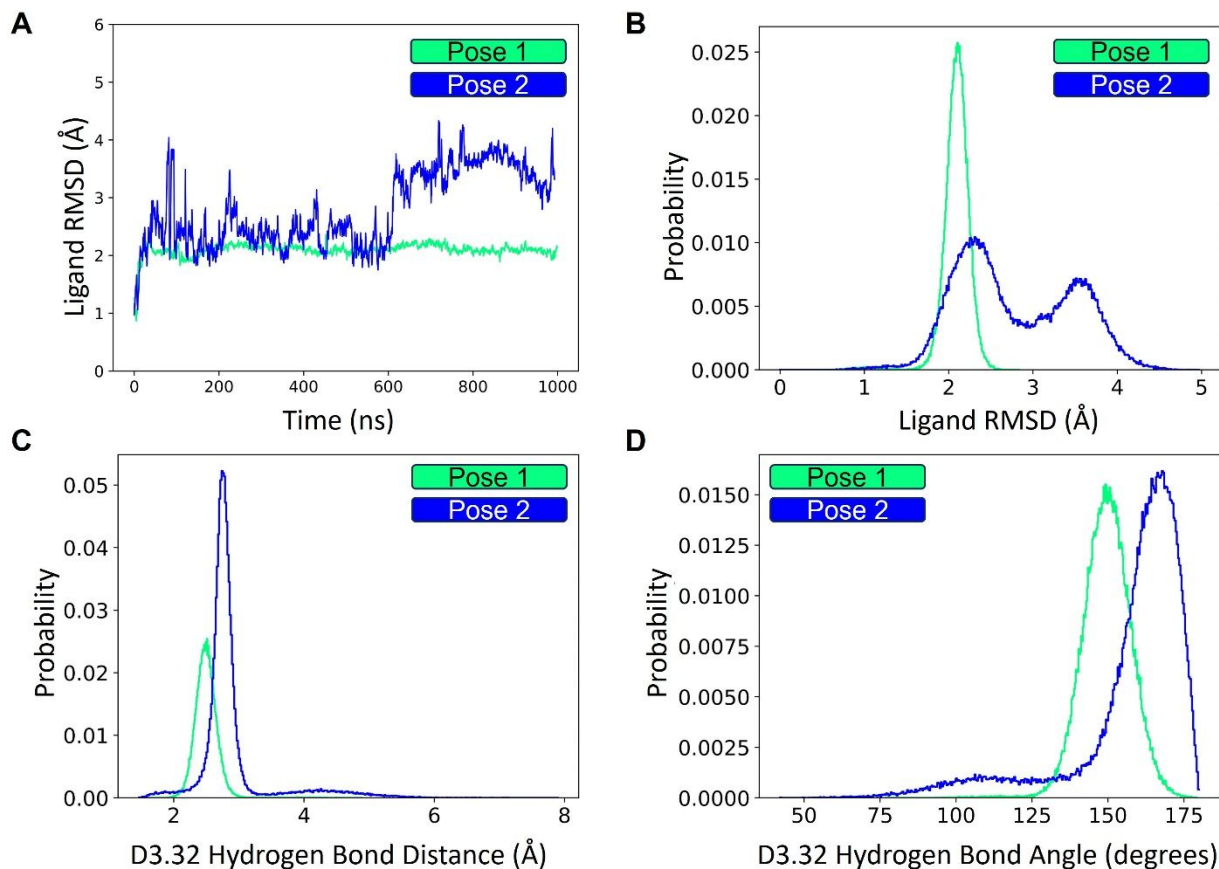


Figure S105. Molecular dynamics simulations of Compound 4 in D₄R. (A) Time-dependent RMSD of compound 4 in complex with D₄R. RMSD values are given as the average over a 100-frame window. (B) Probability distribution of compound 4 RMSD values over the course of the simulation. (C) Probability distribution for the hydrogen bond distance between the protonated piperidine core of compound 4 and the conserved D3.32 sidechain. Distances are taken between the hydrogen atom of the protonated piperidine core and the center of mass of the sidechain carboxylic acid oxygen atoms. (D) Probability distribution of the hydrogen bond angle formed by the protonated piperidine core of compound 4 and the conserved D3.32 sidechain. The angle is defined by the nitrogen and hydrogen atoms of the protonated piperidine core and the center of mass of the sidechain carboxylic acid oxygen atoms.

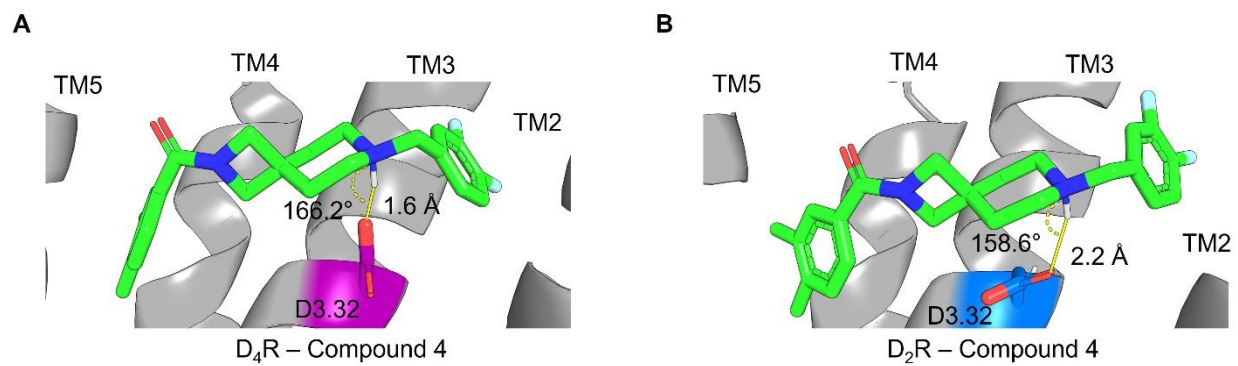


Figure S106. Compound 4 hydrogen bond geometry with conserved D3.32 in D₂R and D₄R. Compound 4 in docked to **(A)** D₄R or **(B)** D₂R.

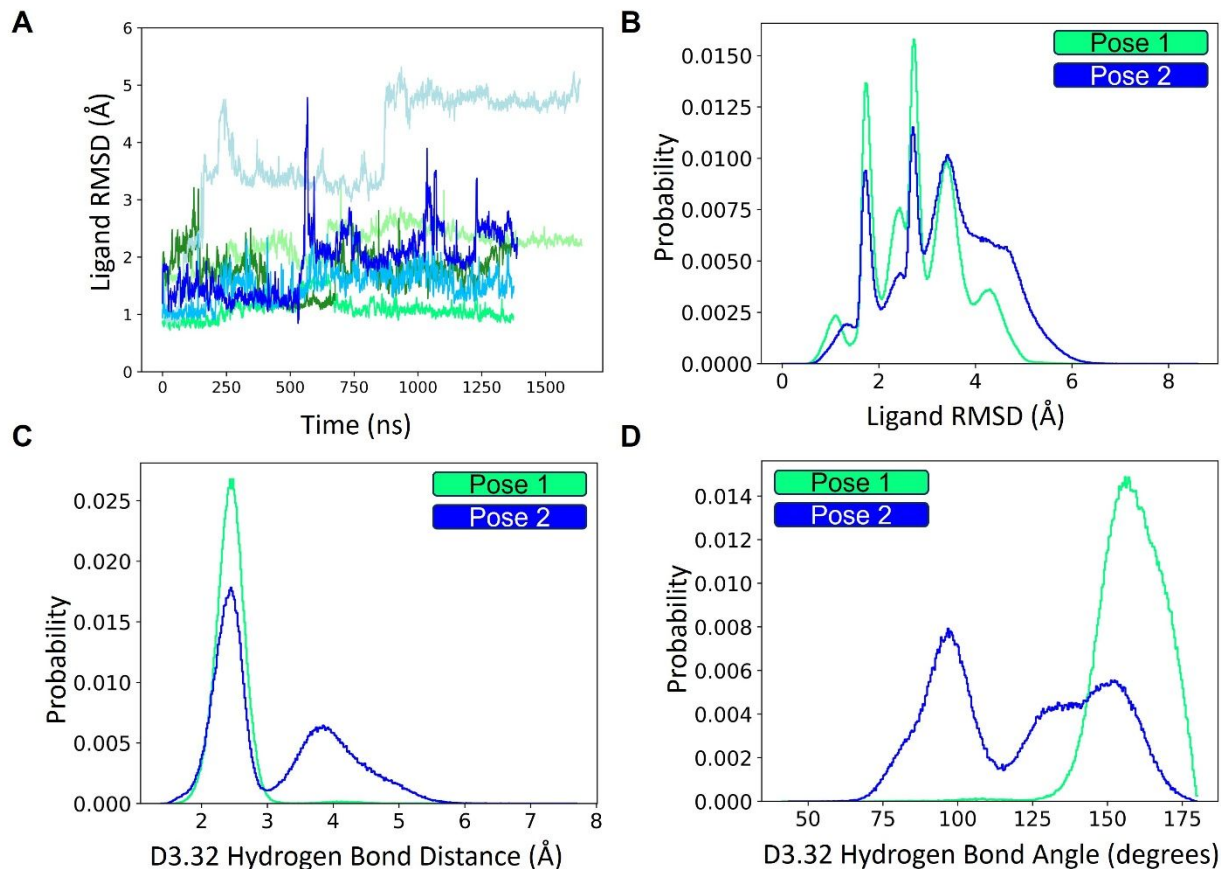
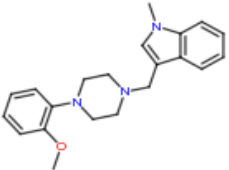
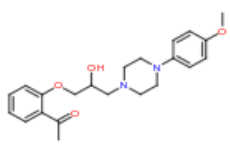
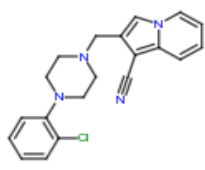
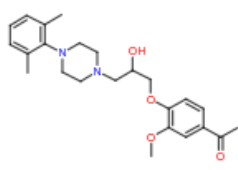
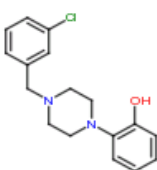
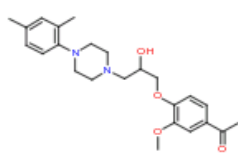
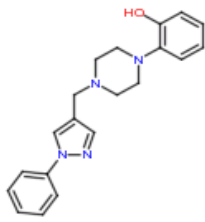
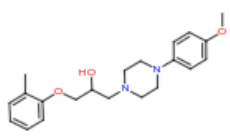
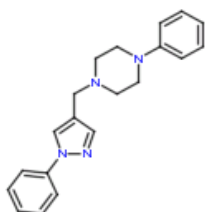
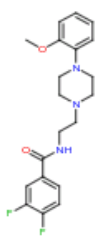
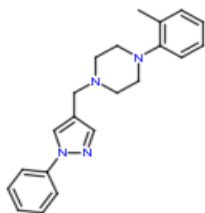
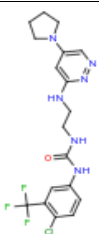
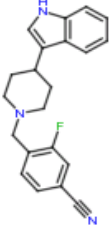
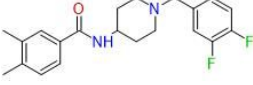
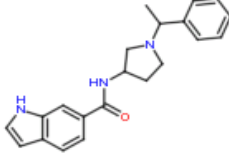
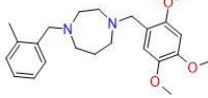
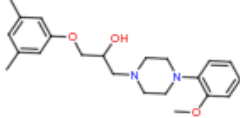


Figure S107. Molecular dynamics simulations of Compound 5 in D₄R. (A) Time-dependent RMSD of compound 5 in complex with D₄R. RMSD values are given as the average over a 100-frame window. Shades of green and blue correspond to pose 1 and 2, respectively. (B) Probability distribution of compound 5 RMSD values over the course of the simulation. (C) Probability distribution for the hydrogen bond distance between the protonated piperidine core of compound 5 and the conserved D3.32 sidechain. Distances are taken between the hydrogen atom of the protonated piperidine core and the center of mass of the sidechain carboxylic acid oxygen atoms. (D) Probability distribution of the hydrogen bond angle formed by the protonated piperidine core of compound 5 and the conserved D3.32 sidechain. The angle is defined by the nitrogen and hydrogen atoms of the protonated piperidine core and the center of mass of the sidechain carboxylic acid oxygen atoms.

viii. Structures of Validated HTS Hits

Below are structures and VU numbers for HTS hit compounds displaying greater than 85% inhibition at 10 μ M.

Structure	VUID	Structure	VUID
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	<p>VU6046639</p>		

VI. Metabolite Profiling

Experimental: Hepatocyte Incubations

Substrate concentration: 10 μ M

Hepatocyte density: 1 million cells/mL

Hepatocyte information: Pool of 100 mixed-gender human (Lot# 2210212, viability 85.2%) and Male SD rat (Lot# 2310140, viability 82.0%)

Incubation: 37 °C for 4 hours under air with 5% CO₂

Sample Preparation for LC/MS Analysis

- Reaction was halted by addition of 250 μ L ice cold acetonitrile (1:1 vol.) to reaction well
- Centrifuged at 4000rcf for 10 minutes
- Aliquoted supernatant to 96 well plate, sealed, and stored in refrigerated compartment of instrument
- Samples analyzed by LC/MS

Experimental: LC/MS Conditions

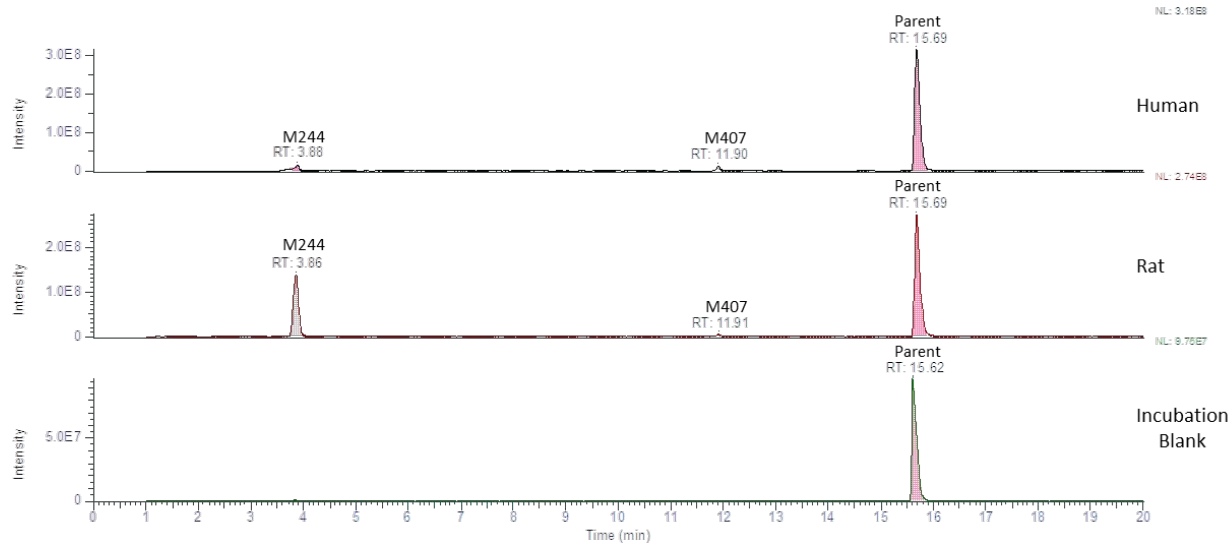
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UHPLC column: Accucore C18+ column, 100 x 2.1 mm, 1.5 μ m

UHPLC mobile phase gradient:

Time (min)	0.05% TFA in Water	0.05% TFA in ACN	Flow rate (μ L/min)
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20	5	95	400
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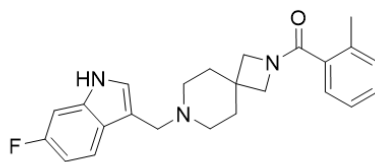
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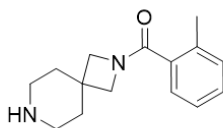
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Putative Metabolic Scheme of VU6063271

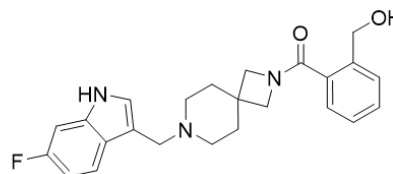
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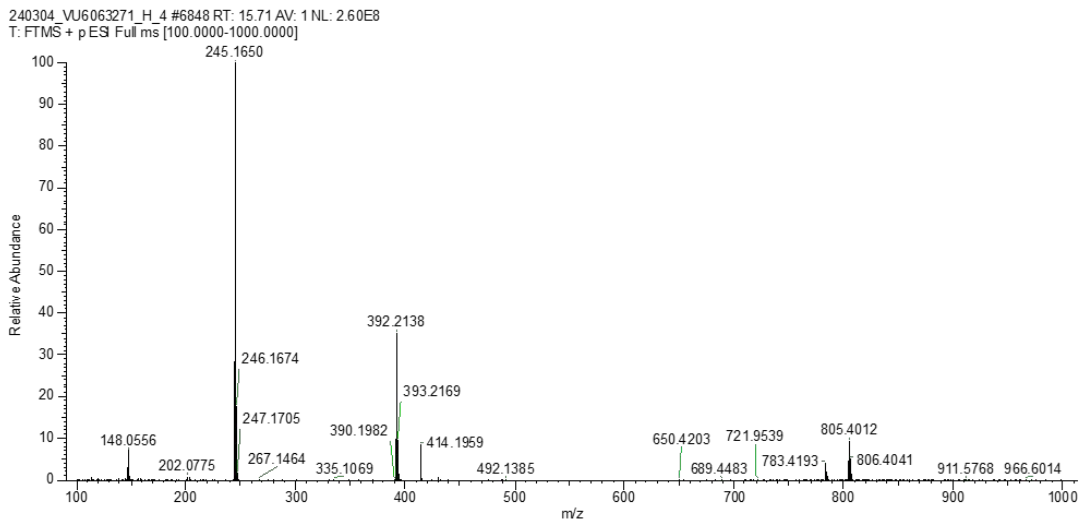
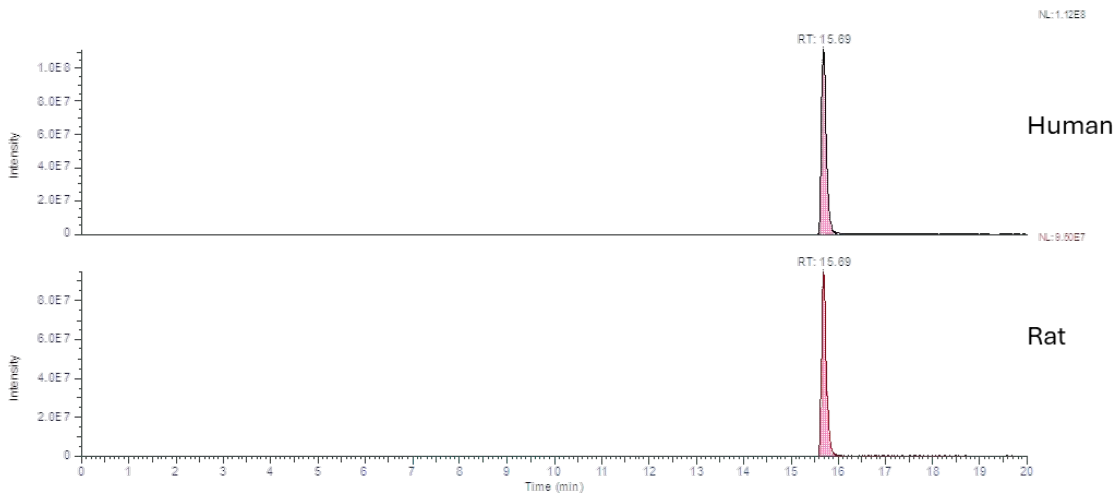
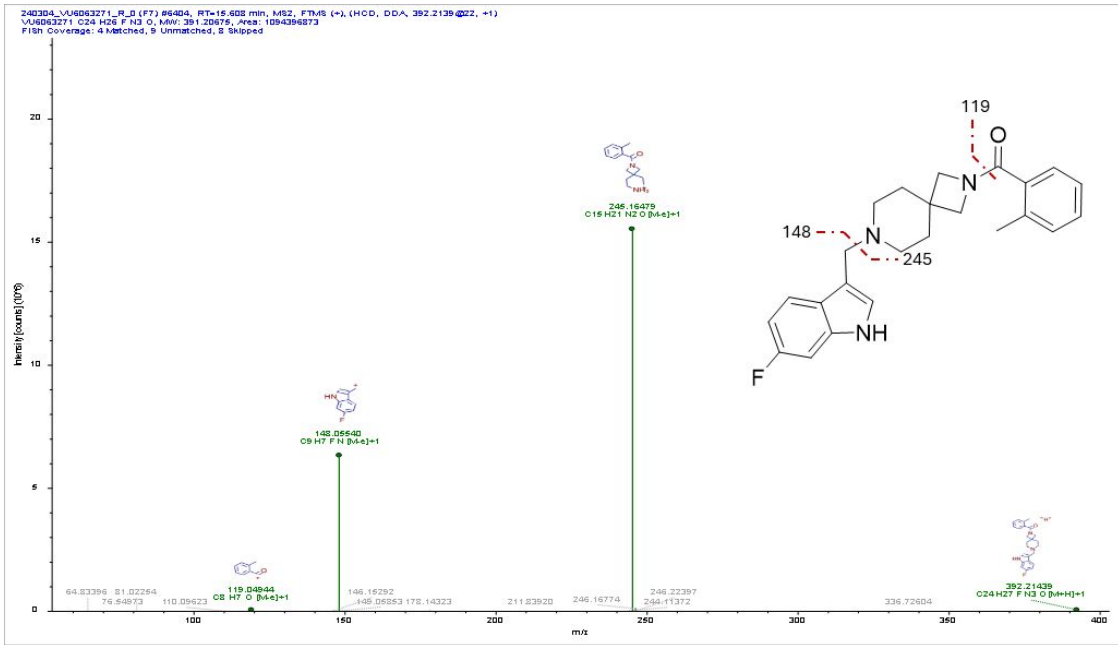


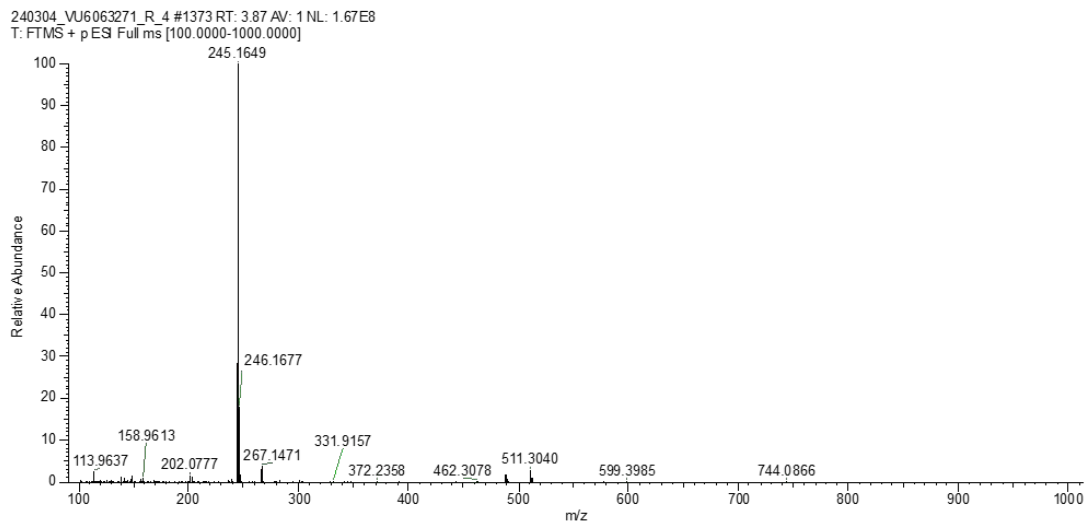
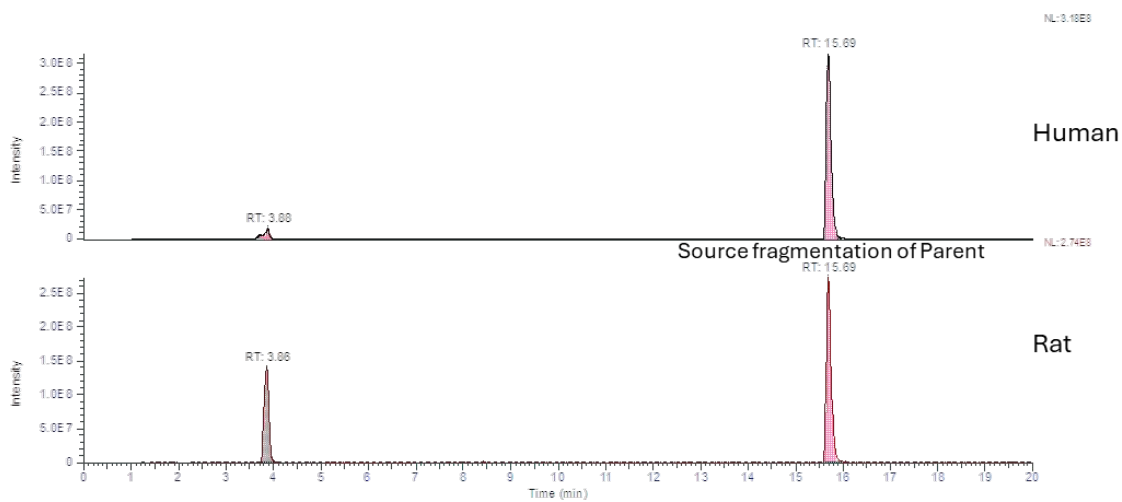
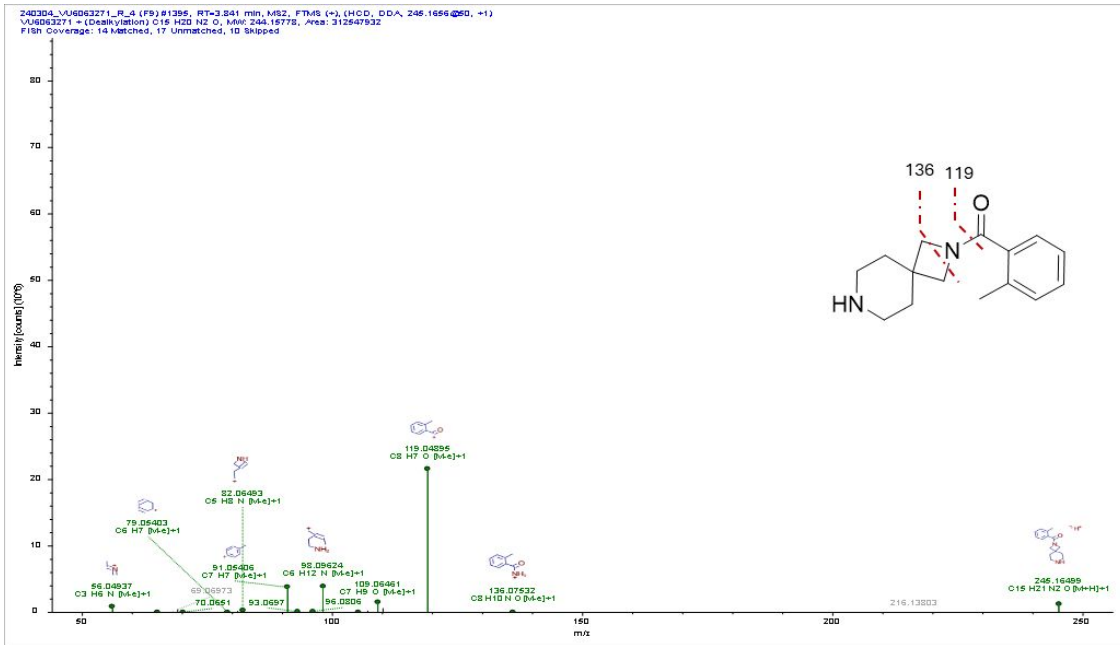
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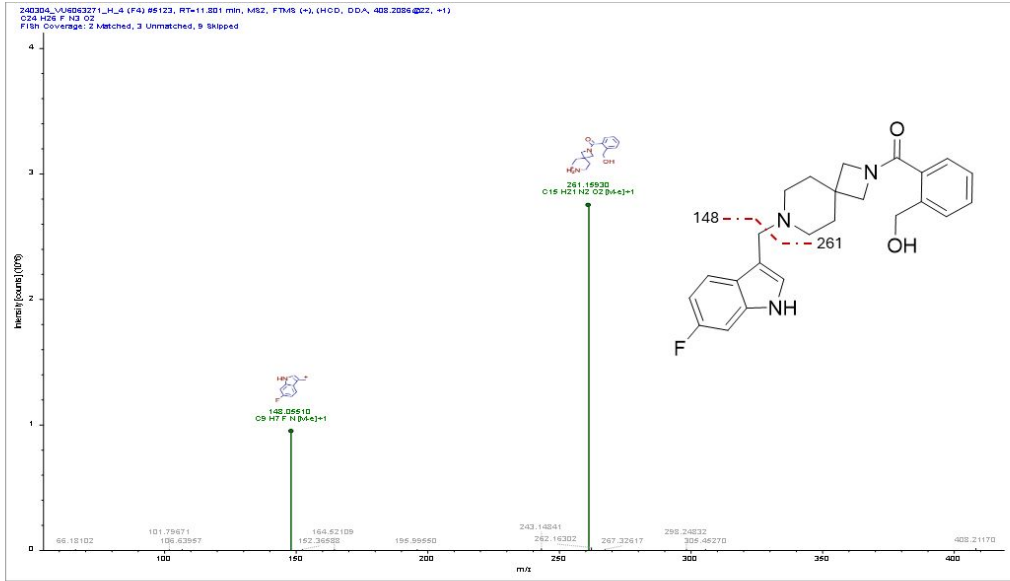


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