

**Photoinduced Intramolecular Cyclopentanation vs Photoprotolytic Oxametathesis in Polycyclic Alkenes Outfitted
with Conformationally Constrained Aroylmethyl Chromophores.[‡]**

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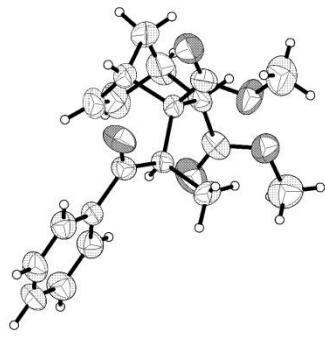
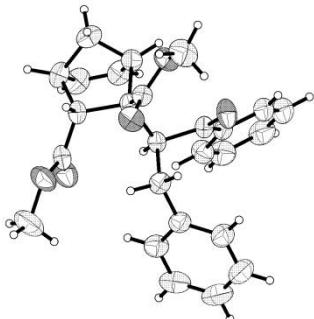
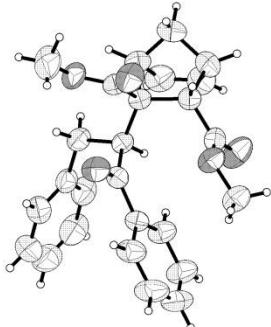
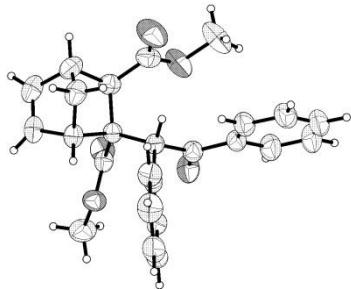
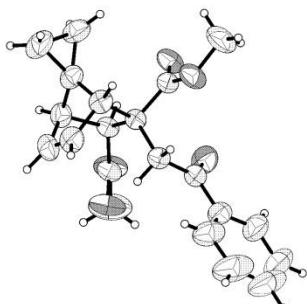
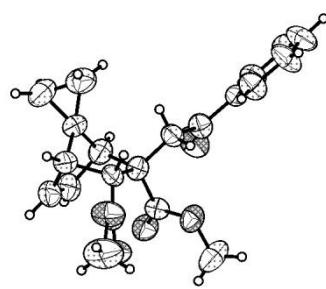
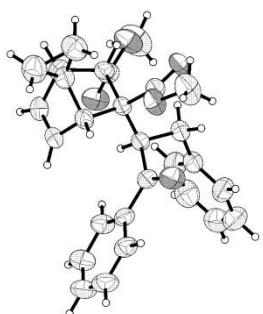
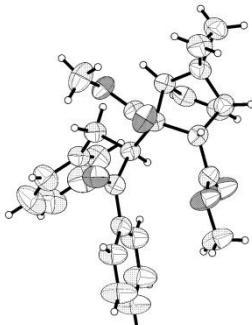
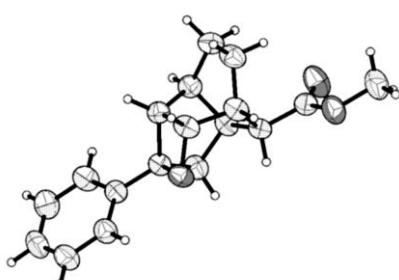
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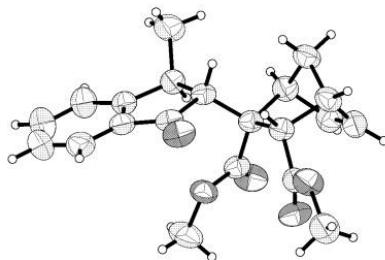
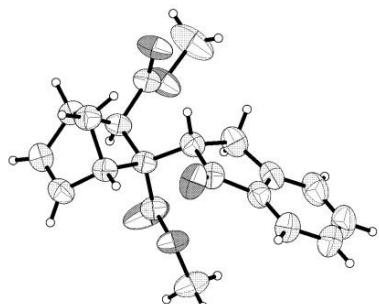
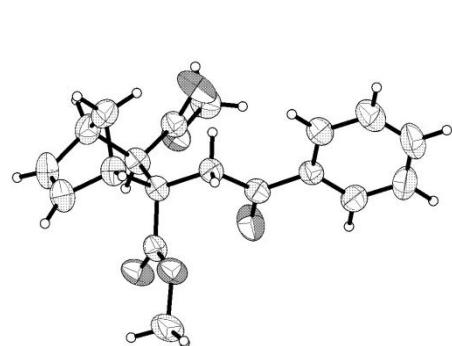
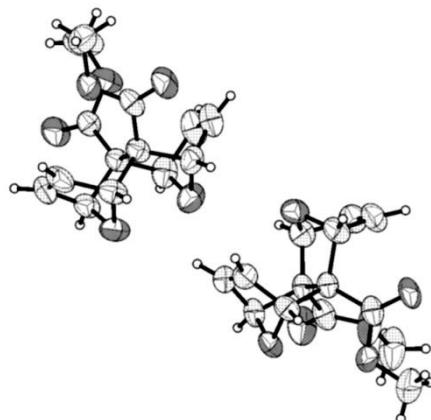
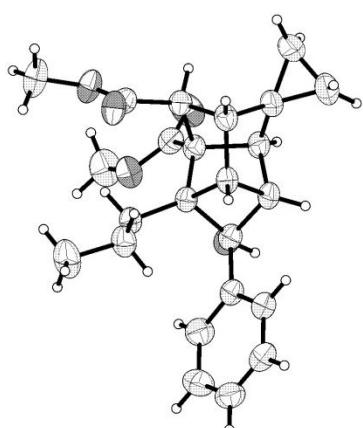
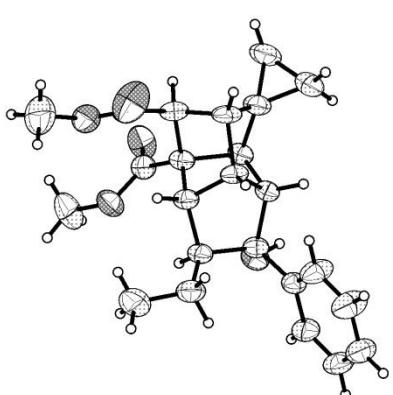
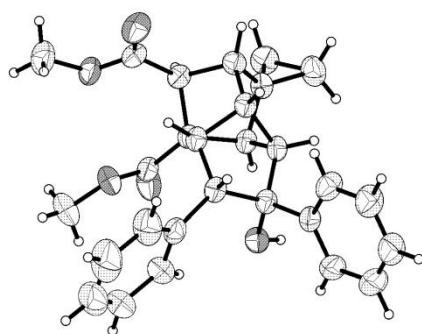
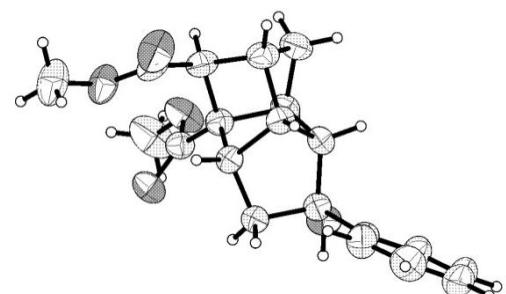
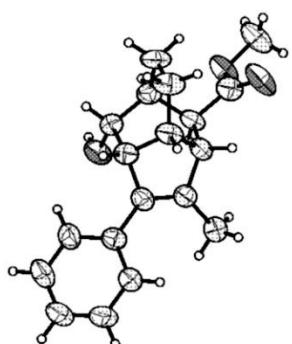
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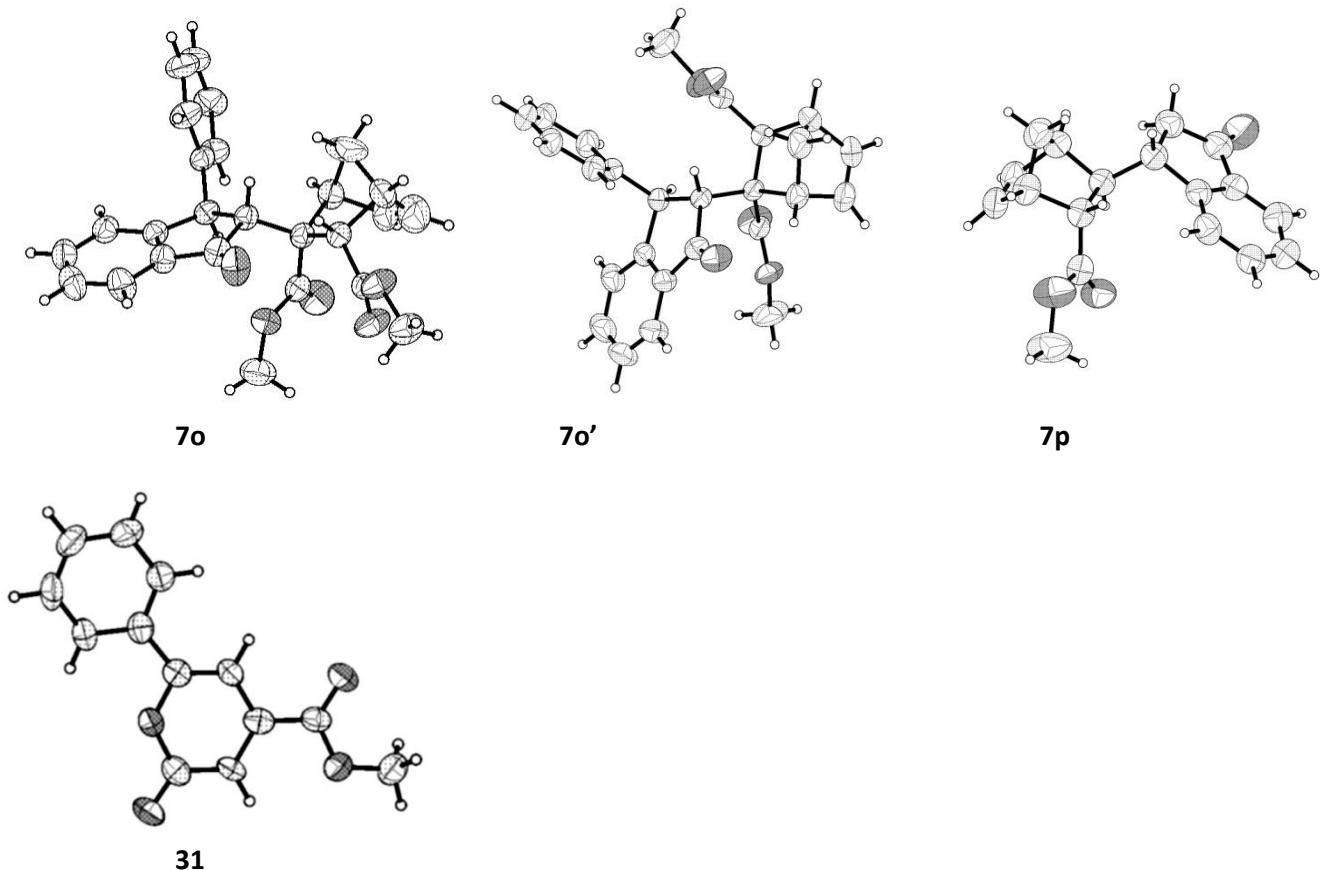
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XRAY STRUCTURES

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COMPUTATIONAL DATA

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Table S1. Computational comparison of the parent bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane system: gamma and delta oxetanes

Gamma oxetane B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -656.563347295 Hartrees	Delta oxetane B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -656.587392075 Hartrees	$\Delta E = -15.1$ kcal/mol (gamma oxetane is higher in energy)
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Table S2. Computational comparison of the parent bicyclo[2.2.2]octane system: gamma and delta oxetanes

Gamma oxetane B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -695.907398932 Hartrees	Delta oxetane B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -695.922507038 Hartrees	$\Delta E = -9.5 \text{ kcal/mol}$ (gamma oxetane is higher in energy)
C -1.3619 -1.3224 -0.4445 C -0.7316 -0.0052 -0.9273 C -2.4299 -0.8877 0.5735 O -0.1198 -1.7398 0.1654 C -1.7505 1.1606 -0.8948 C -1.9774 1.6013 0.5621 C -3.6262 -0.4084 -0.2816 C -1.8384 0.3111 1.4053 C 0.2655 -0.3279 0.2649 C -0.3218 0.1246 1.6148 C 1.7390 -0.0989 0.0765 C 2.6094 -1.1753 -0.1121 C 3.9750 -0.9553 -0.2933 C 4.4852 0.3408 -0.2986 C 3.6206 1.4206 -0.1174 C 2.2588 1.2015 0.0726 C -3.1035 0.5755 -1.3729 H -0.2197 -0.1031 -1.8850 H -2.7085 -1.7171 1.2284 H -1.4362 1.9887 -1.5340 H -2.9631 2.0651 0.6641 H -4.3690 0.0784 0.3567 H -4.1263 -1.2649 -0.7434 H -2.3588 0.4029 2.3623 H 0.1223 1.0576 1.9720 H -0.0820 -0.6579 2.3400 H 2.2059 -2.1799 -0.1179 H 4.6400 -1.8005 -0.4335 H 5.5462 0.5104 -0.4433 H 4.0076 2.4337 -0.1226 H 1.5968 2.0501 0.2125 H -3.8226 1.3824 -1.5411 H -2.9751 0.0607 -2.3305 H -1.7266 -2.0619 -1.1619 H -1.2454 2.3442 0.8915	C 0.6926 0.3092 -0.8441 C 1.2436 -1.1341 -0.7247 C 1.6897 1.3069 -0.2376 O 0.1920 -1.5104 0.2037 C 2.6474 -1.1266 -0.1073 C 2.5957 -0.4773 1.2920 C 3.0602 1.2279 -0.9334 C 1.7347 0.8160 1.2374 C -0.2969 -0.1342 0.2802 C 0.2478 0.5451 1.5505 C -1.7862 -0.0398 0.0710 C -2.4038 1.2090 -0.0793 C -3.7792 1.3041 -0.2718 C -4.5628 0.1503 -0.3096 C -3.9566 -1.0947 -0.1610 C -2.5769 -1.1907 0.0227 C 3.5229 -0.2538 -1.0317 C 1.2023 -1.7513 -1.6272 H 1.2956 2.3274 -0.2846 H 3.0450 -2.1439 -0.0471 H 3.6172 -0.2431 1.6095 H 0.2610 0.5859 -1.8053 H 3.7848 1.8218 -0.3672 H 3.0030 1.6808 -1.9275 H 2.1467 1.5743 1.9087 H 0.0906 -0.0870 2.4284 H -0.2793 1.4898 1.7178 H -1.8076 2.1157 -0.0531 H -4.2401 2.2784 -0.3920 H -5.6346 0.2236 -0.4558 H -4.5572 -1.9973 -0.1909 H -2.0995 -2.1567 0.1258 H 4.5749 -0.3517 -0.7507 H 3.4426 -0.6138 -2.0634 H 2.1849 -1.1740 2.0255	

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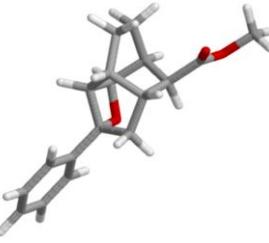
Gamma oxetane B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -923.847043399 Hartrees	Delta oxetane B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -923.864829830 Hartrees	$\Delta E = -11.2 \text{ kcal/mol}$ (gamma oxetane is higher in energy)
 C 0.1525 -2.1219 -0.4133 C 0.2991 -0.7064 -0.9938 C -1.0615 -2.0209 0.5256 O 1.4250 -2.0187 0.2637 C -1.0702 0.0116 -1.1129 C -1.4774 0.4859 0.3006 C -2.2884 -2.0900 -0.4090 C -0.9895 -0.6302 1.2605 C 1.2728 -0.5615 0.2573 C 0.4812 -0.2667 1.5483 C 2.5755 0.1715 0.0970 C 3.7790 -0.5307 -0.0064 C 4.9844 0.1539 -0.1606 C 5.0012 1.5452 -0.2238 C 3.8025 2.2524 -0.1287 C 2.5999 1.5702 0.0344 C -2.0970 -1.0587 -1.5625 C -2.9373 0.8782 0.4410 O -3.7344 0.4159 1.2214 O -3.2429 1.8843 -0.4110 C -4.5917 2.3845 -0.3444 H 0.1159 -2.9941 -1.0705 H 0.8713 -0.6792 -1.9213 H -1.0660 -2.8349 1.2544 H -1.0362 0.8423 -1.8187 H -0.9359 1.4112 0.5284 H -3.1984 -1.8813 0.1555 H -2.3892 -3.1009 -0.8149 H -1.5920 -0.6481 2.1694 H 0.5584 0.7778 1.8615 H 0.9249 -0.8823 2.3350 H 3.7590 -1.6123 0.0345 H 5.9118 -0.4036 -0.2336 H 5.9386 2.0759 -0.3469 H 3.8048 3.3357 -0.1792 H 1.6750 2.1333 0.1083 H -3.0465 -0.5862 -1.8273 H -1.7338 -1.5504 -2.4701 H -5.3049 1.5934 -0.5807 H -4.6433 3.1799 -1.0848 H -4.8060 2.7724 0.6523	 C 0.5716 1.0487 0.7267 C -0.0983 -0.0712 1.5595 C -0.4587 1.6835 -0.2163 O 0.6925 -1.0986 0.9090 C -1.6020 -0.1531 1.2585 C -1.7753 -0.4783 -0.2528 C -3.2334 -0.4053 -0.6703 C -2.1884 1.2388 1.5761 C -0.8550 0.4582 -1.0875 C 1.2621 -0.1297 -0.0314 C 0.5096 -0.2035 -1.3734 C 2.7637 -0.2185 -0.1089 C 3.4504 -1.2717 0.5005 C 4.8405 -1.3528 0.4161 C 5.5627 -0.3780 -0.2677 C 4.8852 0.6815 -0.8717 C 3.4972 0.7577 -0.7958 O -3.7201 0.3781 -1.4510 O -3.9575 -1.3638 -0.0481 C -5.3612 -1.4049 -0.3642 C -1.6444 2.2812 0.5596 H 1.2167 1.7374 1.2706 H 0.0862 -0.0617 2.6377 H 0.0085 2.4471 -0.8462 H -2.0781 -0.9265 1.8645 H -1.4720 -1.5181 -0.3981 H -3.2807 1.2059 1.5532 H -1.9135 1.5149 2.5999 H -1.3686 0.7564 -2.0019 H 0.4393 -1.2356 -1.7267 H 1.0500 0.3735 -2.1300 H 2.8859 -2.0197 1.0422 H 5.3588 -2.1791 0.8902 H 6.6435 -0.4396 -0.3289 H 5.4383 1.4487 -1.4024 H 2.9841 1.5886 -1.2695 H -5.5073 -1.5854 -1.4301 H -5.8432 -0.4646 -0.0923 H -5.7668 -2.2266 0.2220 H -2.4255 2.5672 -0.1490 H -1.3328 3.1947 1.0741	

Table S4. Comparison of gamma and delta oxetanes in spirocyclopropano-norbornene series

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C -0.5247 -0.3786 1.5189 C -0.1055 1.1108 1.6036 C 0.7986 -1.0871 1.1633 O -0.9033 1.4445 0.4358 C 1.4280 1.0908 1.3634 C 1.6905 0.7858 -0.1287 C 1.3595 1.8657 -1.1354 C 1.7982 -0.2650 1.9696 C 1.0111 -0.6154 -0.3429 C 1.9393 -1.5581 -1.0971 C -1.2658 0.0385 0.2183 C -0.4259 -0.5592 -0.9136 C -2.7553 -0.1560 0.0977 C -3.6119 0.9373 -0.0506 C -4.9880 0.7448 -0.1743 C -5.5254 -0.5397 -0.1433 C -4.6767 -1.6360 0.0117 C -3.3028 -1.4448 0.1282 O 3.1099 -1.3602 -1.3200 O 1.3125 -2.6987 -1.4591 C 2.1199 -3.6683 -2.1533 O 1.0768 1.6825 -2.2956 O 1.5306 3.0951 -0.6036 C 1.2964 4.2007 -1.4940 C 3.1832 -0.6864 2.3534 C 2.1159 -0.5086 3.4186 H -1.1023 -0.8074 2.3346 H -0.4071 1.6997 2.4711 H 0.8127 -2.1684 1.2990 H 1.9657 1.9589 1.7398 H 2.7684 0.6302 -0.2462 H -0.7695 -1.5749 -1.1162 H -0.4988 0.0197 -1.8332 H -3.1915 1.9345 -0.0635 H -6.5955 -0.6874 -0.2363 H -5.6404 1.6030 -0.2931 H -2.6540 -2.3066 0.2495 H -5.0852 -2.6401 0.0420 H 1.4517 -4.4984 -2.3725 H 2.9485 -3.9966 -1.5242 H 2.5171 -3.2407 -3.0744 H 1.9667 4.1496 -2.3531 H 1.4938 5.0945 -0.9057 H 0.2630 4.1924 -1.8430 H 3.9758 0.0517 2.3006 H 3.5007 -1.6949 2.1142 H 2.1979 0.3474 4.0791 H 1.7174 -1.3998 3.8914	C -0.1417 -2.2974 0.5449 C 0.4717 -1.6141 -0.6918 C -1.4960 -1.5427 0.5610 O 0.8845 -1.8178 1.4179 C -0.7534 -1.1257 -1.5435 C -1.2129 0.2657 -1.0916 C -0.4487 1.4495 -1.6377 C -1.8939 -1.9133 -0.8724 C -1.2014 0.0490 0.4620 C -2.3902 -3.2720 -1.2794 C -3.2793 -2.0503 -1.4199 C -2.3274 0.8050 1.1481 C 1.1528 -0.7390 0.4580 C 0.2273 0.3901 0.9406 C 2.6147 -0.3932 0.3755 C 3.1227 0.3131 -0.7209 C 4.4736 0.6502 -0.7740 C 5.3314 0.2880 0.2643 C 4.8303 -0.4206 1.3543 C 3.4797 -0.7626 1.4097 O -3.4459 0.9089 0.7017 O -1.9638 1.3089 2.3427 C -2.9953 1.9948 3.0782 O 0.4351 1.3963 -2.4610 O -0.9217 2.6098 -1.1367 C -0.3096 3.8174 -1.6314 H -0.2661 -3.3786 0.6084 H 1.2095 -2.1906 -1.2452 H -2.1811 -1.8159 1.3631 H -0.6362 -1.2438 -2.6193 H -2.2492 0.4187 -1.4060 H -1.9903 -3.7162 -2.1842 H -2.6326 -3.9887 -0.5017 H -4.1145 -1.9394 -0.7388 H -3.4701 -1.6786 -2.4215 H 0.5256 1.3717 0.5691 H 0.3064 0.4204 2.0268 H 2.4654 0.5932 -1.5363 H 6.3826 0.5505 0.2201 H 4.8568 1.1928 -1.6313 H 3.0909 -1.3285 2.2468 H 5.4917 -0.7136 2.1624 H -3.3689 2.8438 2.5047 H -2.5206 2.3296 3.9979 H -3.8222 1.3176 3.2957 H -0.4378 3.8922 -2.7119 H 0.7549 3.8311 -1.3935 H -0.8258 4.6308 -1.1267	

Table S4. Comparison of gamma and delta initial Paternò-Büchi 1,4-diradicals in the parent bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane system

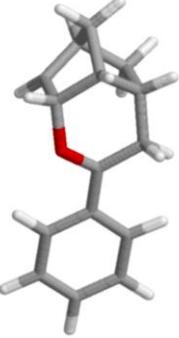
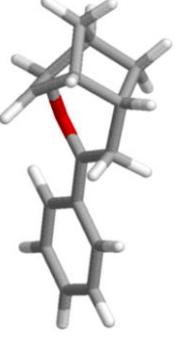
Gamma 1,4-diradical (triplet) B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -656.516623962 Hartrees	Delta 1,4-diradical (triplet) B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -656.500143424 Hartrees	$\Delta E = 10.3 \text{ kcal/mol}$ (triplet gamma diradical is lower in energy)
		
C 1.6635 -1.2202 -0.5237 C 1.9155 -1.2831 0.9576 C 2.5781 -0.0452 -0.9487 O 0.2654 -1.0569 -0.8711 C 2.9232 -0.2281 1.2907 C 2.1993 1.1498 1.1452 C 3.7799 -0.2382 -0.0047 C 1.9313 1.2515 -0.3947 C -0.3365 0.1267 -0.5369 C 0.4505 1.3774 -0.7861 C -1.7204 0.0610 -0.2214 C -2.5062 1.2293 -0.0107 C -3.8507 1.1391 0.3134 C -4.4773 -0.1054 0.4338 C -3.7270 -1.2668 0.2177 C -2.3820 -1.1950 -0.1038 H 1.9346 -2.1455 -1.0432 H 1.2797 -1.8122 1.6555 H 2.7875 -0.0188 -2.0187 H 3.4505 -0.3549 2.2365 H 2.8514 1.9592 1.4877 H 1.2784 1.1899 1.7312 H 4.4936 0.5892 -0.0560 H 4.3135 -1.1795 -0.1594 H 2.4642 2.1151 -0.8019 H 0.0041 2.2202 -0.2555 H 0.3939 1.6228 -1.8599 H -2.0567 2.2101 -0.1039 H -4.4210 2.0483 0.4717 H -5.5291 -0.1685 0.6871 H -4.2023 -2.2385 0.3020 H -1.8126 -2.0992 -0.2716	C -1.9476 -0.4054 1.4729 C -1.6795 -1.3076 0.3098 C -2.8021 0.6828 0.9194 O -0.3160 -1.1236 -0.1866 C -2.7711 -0.8746 -0.7323 C -2.2430 0.3652 -1.4688 C -3.8343 -0.2007 0.1672 C -1.9626 1.3249 -0.2743 C 0.3100 0.0883 -0.0302 C -0.4523 1.4001 0.0137 C 1.7313 0.0343 -0.0164 C 2.4245 -1.2081 -0.0850 C 3.8082 -1.2555 -0.0696 C 4.5678 -0.0827 0.0162 C 3.9082 1.1478 0.0872 C 2.5232 1.2143 0.0706 H -1.3631 -0.3961 2.3834 H -1.7211 -2.3750 0.5354 H -3.1885 1.4116 1.6308 H -3.1114 -1.6865 -1.3750 H -3.0135 0.7586 -2.1364 H -1.3515 0.1722 -2.0658 H -4.5675 0.3647 -0.4152 H -4.3624 -0.8820 0.8379 H -2.3270 2.3360 -0.4722 H -0.0047 2.0658 -0.7358 H -0.2842 1.8960 0.9807 H 1.8490 -2.1214 -0.1516 H 4.3075 -2.2173 -0.1248 H 5.6506 -0.1276 0.0285 H 4.4830 2.0654 0.1575 H 2.0466 2.1846 0.1321	

Table S5. Comparison of gamma and delta initial Paternò-Büchi 1,4-diradicals in the parent bicyclo[2.2.2]octane system

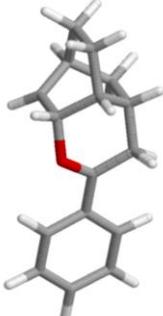
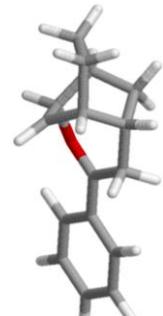
Gamma 1,4-diradical (triplet) B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -695.850204621	Delta 1,4-diradical (triplet) B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -695.839710157 Hartrees	$\Delta E = 6.6 \text{ kcal/mol}$ (triplet gamma diradical is lower in energy)
		
C 1.4214 -1.1581 -0.5729 C 1.6796 -1.2713 0.8948 C 2.2130 0.0446 -1.1032 O -0.0088 -1.0294 -0.8591 C 2.5547 -0.2011 1.4666 C 1.9054 1.1727 1.1426 C 3.9306 -0.2527 0.7509 C 1.6433 1.2910 -0.3915 C -0.6197 0.1434 -0.5041 C 0.1448 1.4162 -0.7286 C -2.0059 0.0568 -0.1994 C -2.8076 1.2125 0.0188 C -4.1548 1.1021 0.3259 C -4.7682 -0.1510 0.4211 C -4.0014 -1.3004 0.1980 C -2.6537 -1.2082 -0.1064 C 3.7082 -0.1431 -0.7853 H 1.6846 -2.0750 -1.1112 H 1.1771 -2.0229 1.4913 H 2.0646 0.1312 -2.1837 H 2.6806 -0.3165 2.5453 H 2.5696 1.9735 1.4839 H 0.9678 1.2736 1.6959 H 4.5571 0.5676 1.1155 H 4.4449 -1.1830 1.0033 H 2.1502 2.1798 -0.7798 H -0.2945 2.2282 -0.1460 H 0.0497 1.7069 -1.7885 H -2.3689 2.1997 -0.0566 H -4.7377 2.0023 0.4896 H -5.8223 -0.2301 0.6603 H -4.4661 -2.2787 0.2632 H -2.0716 -2.1033 -0.2793 H 4.2681 0.7001 -1.2005 H 4.0785 -1.0390 -1.2937	C 1.6893 -0.3334 -1.4297 C 1.4126 -1.2706 -0.3077 C 2.3946 0.8971 -0.9646 O 0.0305 -1.1185 0.1777 C 2.4214 -0.9851 0.8308 C 2.0469 0.3571 1.4855 C 3.8574 0.4961 -0.6184 C 1.6707 1.3460 0.3510 C -0.6027 0.0924 0.0856 C 0.1416 1.4097 0.1712 C -2.0229 0.0287 0.0317 C -2.7052 -1.2199 -0.0303 C -4.0875 -1.2763 -0.0867 C -4.8565 -0.1064 -0.0839 C -4.2077 1.1304 -0.0223 C -2.8241 1.2055 0.0362 C 3.8216 -0.8267 0.1969 H 1.2592 -0.4693 -2.4141 H 1.4496 -2.3191 -0.6129 H 2.3729 1.6989 -1.7057 H 2.4069 -1.8003 1.5575 H 2.8954 0.7264 2.0688 H 1.2129 0.2399 2.1805 H 4.3285 1.3010 -0.0440 H 4.4415 0.3733 -1.5331 H 2.0146 2.3538 0.6044 H -0.2680 1.9704 1.0237 H -0.0940 2.0167 -0.7145 H -2.1224 -2.1311 -0.0323 H -4.5784 -2.2429 -0.1340 H -5.9381 -0.1582 -0.1280 H -4.7898 2.0460 -0.0192 H -2.3557 2.1806 0.0833 H 4.5862 -0.8231 0.9785 H 4.0374 -1.6813 -0.4527	

Table S6. Effect of the Me group in the tether on relative stability of the diradicals in the bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane parent system (Me is “in”)

Gamma 1,4-diradical (triplet) Me is “in” B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -695.830712693 Hartrees	Delta 1,4-diradical (triplet) Me is “in” B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -695.819399207	$\Delta E = 7.1 \text{ kcal/mol}$ (triplet gamma diradical is lower in energy)
C 1.5941 -1.3691 -0.6221 C 1.6935 -1.5717 0.8658 C 2.6288 -0.2447 -0.8545 O 0.2595 -1.0409 -1.0819 C 2.7250 -0.6176 1.3830 C 2.1073 0.8158 1.2799 C 3.7102 -0.5923 0.1846 C 2.0075 1.0473 -0.2668 C -0.3087 0.1197 -0.6018 C 0.5821 1.3280 -0.8105 C -1.6840 -0.0125 -0.2360 C -2.4961 1.0405 0.2751 C -3.8205 0.8266 0.6262 C -4.4112 -0.4319 0.4873 C -3.6374 -1.4842 -0.0117 C -2.3126 -1.2890 -0.3627 C 0.1021 2.7074 -0.3433 H 1.8358 -2.2694 -1.1970 H 0.9546 -2.1014 1.4529 H 2.9494 -0.1511 -1.8927 H 3.1393 -0.8511 2.3640 H 2.7694 1.5485 1.7513 H 1.1372 0.8729 1.7783 H 4.4770 0.1830 0.2723 H 4.1953 -1.5555 0.0075 H 2.6343 1.8981 -0.5518 H 0.6986 1.3957 -1.9061 H -2.0879 2.0269 0.4186 H -4.4011 1.6550 1.0183 H -5.4474 -0.5890 0.7630 H -4.0763 -2.4695 -0.1288 H -1.7322 -2.1135 -0.7508 H 0.8731 3.4449 -0.5850 H -0.0636 2.7499 0.7356 H -0.8124 3.0178 -0.8499	C -1.5455 -1.0260 1.3164 C -1.5421 -1.5218 -0.0923 C -2.5138 0.1065 1.3132 O -0.3456 -1.0060 -0.7927 C -2.8728 -0.9281 -0.6755 C -2.5628 0.5032 -1.1290 C -3.6900 -0.6196 0.6016 C -2.0207 1.1307 0.1934 C 0.2927 0.0771 -0.2345 C -0.4865 1.3317 0.1433 C 1.7050 -0.0498 -0.0868 C 2.3793 -1.2236 -0.5296 C 3.7481 -1.3659 -0.3756 C 4.5116 -0.3597 0.2271 C 3.8710 0.7983 0.6774 C 2.5021 0.9589 0.5249 C -0.1534 2.5138 -0.8019 H -0.7784 -1.2458 2.0466 H -1.4654 -2.6034 -0.2138 H -2.7216 0.5728 2.2756 H -3.3489 -1.5605 -1.4249 H -3.4773 0.9974 -1.4664 H -1.8420 0.5438 -1.9435 H -4.5517 0.0217 0.3938 H -4.0263 -1.4998 1.1538 H -2.4759 2.1065 0.3824 H -0.1612 1.6258 1.1512 H 1.7991 -2.0078 -0.9966 H 4.2316 -2.2712 -0.7275 H 5.5824 -0.4771 0.3457 H 4.4475 1.5828 1.1562 H 2.0402 1.8634 0.8989 H -0.6350 3.4300 -0.4447 H -0.5075 2.3193 -1.8169 H 0.9202 2.6948 -0.8599	

Table S7. Effect of the Me group in the tether on relative stability of the diradicals in the bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane parent system (continued – Me is “out”)

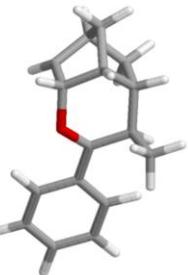
Gamma 1,4-diradical (triplet) Me is “out” B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -695.839769097 Hartrees	Delta 1,4-diradical (triplet) Me is “out” B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -695.820436164 Hartrees	$\Delta E = 12.1$ kcal/mol (triplet gamma diradical is lower in energy)
		
C 1.6403 -1.0441 -0.9358 C 1.8595 -1.7880 0.3534 C 2.5717 0.1782 -0.7567 O 0.2512 -0.7104 -1.1868 C 2.8606 -1.0165 1.1555 C 2.1404 0.2827 1.6420 C 3.7486 -0.4428 0.0199 C 1.9159 1.0875 0.3169 C -0.3453 0.1935 -0.3483 C 0.4427 1.4265 0.0080 C -1.7298 -0.0059 -0.0957 C -2.5147 0.9445 0.6168 C -3.8605 0.7223 0.8620 C -4.4890 -0.4423 0.4093 C -3.7387 -1.3863 -0.3011 C -2.3929 -1.1805 -0.5538 C 0.3311 2.4905 -1.1113 H 1.9111 -1.6310 -1.8200 H 1.2087 -2.5731 0.7159 H 2.8161 0.6834 -1.6909 H 3.3630 -1.5698 1.9493 H 2.7807 0.8355 2.3365 H 1.2031 0.0589 2.1562 H 4.4653 0.3066 0.3681 H 4.2837 -1.2149 -0.5390 H 2.4714 2.0287 0.3666 H 0.0137 1.8568 0.9175 H -2.0626 1.8605 0.9765 H -4.4306 1.4653 1.4097 H -5.5420 -0.6091 0.6037 H -4.2148 -2.2925 -0.6607 H -1.8227 -1.9154 -1.1058 H 0.8910 3.3922 -0.8423 H 0.7267 2.1130 -2.0574 H -0.7111 2.7720 -1.2771	C 2.1174 -0.2893 -1.4378 C 1.6829 -1.3915 -0.5303 C 2.8993 0.6335 -0.5693 O 0.2711 -1.2591 -0.1884 C 2.6366 -1.2263 0.7086 C 2.0404 -0.1439 1.6186 C 3.8149 -0.4251 0.1076 C 1.9259 1.0510 0.6262 C -0.3252 -0.0291 -0.0426 C 0.4502 1.2610 0.2139 C -1.7507 -0.0919 0.0087 C -2.4411 -1.3018 -0.2901 C -3.8232 -1.3714 -0.2392 C -4.5879 -0.2537 0.1130 C -3.9328 0.9422 0.4194 C -2.5496 1.0295 0.3707 C 0.3072 2.3064 -0.9156 H 1.7061 -0.1074 -2.4208 H 1.7367 -2.3923 -0.9628 H 3.3883 1.4733 -1.0602 H 2.8788 -2.1671 1.2027 H 2.7277 0.0706 2.4407 H 1.0787 -0.4171 2.0537 H 4.4724 -0.0181 0.8813 H 4.4184 -0.9735 -0.6192 H 2.2861 1.9828 1.0707 H -0.0256 1.7036 1.1006 H -1.8646 -2.1750 -0.5626 H -4.3163 -2.3083 -0.4768 H -5.6693 -0.3143 0.1506 H -4.5090 1.8166 0.7035 H -2.0826 1.9713 0.6277 H 0.7711 3.2504 -0.6110 H -0.7405 2.5042 -1.1455 H 0.7890 1.9756 -1.8368	

Table S8. Effect of the Me group in the tether on relative stability of the diradicals in the bicyclo[2.2.2]octane parent system (Me is "in")

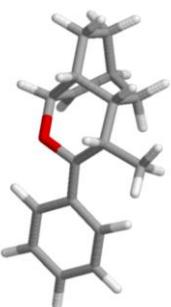
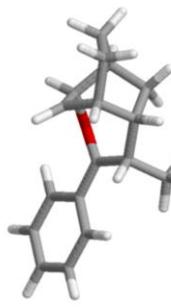
Gamma 1,4-diradical (triplet) Me is "in" B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -735.163731453 Hartrees	Delta 1,4-diradical (triplet) Me is "in" B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -735.159317186 Hartrees	$\Delta E = 2.8 \text{ kcal/mol}$ (triplet gamma diradical is lower in energy)
		
C 1.4021 -1.2435 -0.7253 C 1.5011 -1.5209 0.7402 C 2.3135 -0.0549 -1.0430 O 0.0232 -0.9632 -1.1306 C 2.3514 -0.5576 1.5077 C 1.8046 0.8756 1.2537 C 3.7958 -0.6170 0.9478 C 1.7224 1.1487 -0.2813 C -0.5737 0.1639 -0.6069 C 0.2709 1.4138 -0.7807 C -1.9413 -0.0251 -0.2333 C -2.7899 0.9884 0.2979 C -4.1032 0.7195 0.6534 C -4.6473 -0.5579 0.4991 C -3.8377 -1.5722 -0.0214 C -2.5236 -1.3215 -0.3772 C 3.7525 -0.3585 -0.5854 C -0.2435 2.7545 -0.2423 H 1.6529 -2.1190 -1.3337 H 0.8956 -2.2903 1.2036 H 2.2945 0.1420 -2.1190 H 2.3462 -0.7792 2.5772 H 2.4610 1.6019 1.7440 H 0.8182 0.9727 1.7148 H 4.4101 0.1341 1.4548 H 4.2389 -1.5916 1.1661 H 2.3122 2.0383 -0.5275 H 0.3613 1.5373 -1.8737 H -2.4198 1.9879 0.4523 H -4.7121 1.5199 1.0605 H -5.6751 -0.7580 0.7786 H -4.2398 -2.5716 -0.1514 H -1.9154 -2.1178 -0.7813 H 4.3977 0.4823 -0.8573 H 4.1312 -1.2270 -1.1338 H 0.5072 3.5227 -0.4506 H -1.1670 3.0650 -0.7319 H -0.4087 2.7427 0.8372	C -1.3936 -0.9499 1.2147 C -1.3420 -1.4301 -0.1902 C -2.1549 0.3292 1.3314 O -0.0890 -0.9590 -0.8417 C -2.5688 -0.8643 -0.9414 C -2.3242 0.6362 -1.1744 C -3.8069 -1.0073 -0.0295 C -1.7194 1.2341 0.1266 C 0.5673 0.1014 -0.2692 C -0.1773 1.3913 0.0400 C 1.9688 -0.0686 -0.0752 C 2.6137 -1.2799 -0.4570 C 3.9718 -1.4632 -0.2586 C 4.7536 -0.4620 0.3289 C 4.1422 0.7338 0.7173 C 2.7846 0.9352 0.5203 C 0.1925 2.5142 -0.9616 C -3.6629 -0.0249 1.1669 H -0.8010 -1.3941 2.0042 H -1.2788 -2.5172 -0.2743 H -1.9753 0.8408 2.2796 H -2.7115 -1.3936 -1.8863 H -3.2697 1.1252 -1.4266 H -1.6572 0.7892 -2.0222 H -4.7154 -0.7949 -0.5999 H -3.8931 -2.0380 0.3299 H -2.1303 2.2352 0.2935 H 0.1588 1.7283 1.0305 H 2.0191 -2.0600 -0.9126 H 4.4326 -2.3969 -0.5637 H 5.8160 -0.6113 0.4823 H 4.7331 1.5162 1.1818 H 2.3454 1.8704 0.8433 H -0.2833 3.4560 -0.6686 H 1.2704 2.6757 -0.9986 H -0.1339 2.2707 -1.9750 H -4.2364 0.8926 0.9962 H -4.0451 -0.4736 2.0865	

Table S9. Effect of the Me group in the tether on relative stability of the diradicals in the bicyclo[2.2.2]octane parent system (continued Me is “out”)

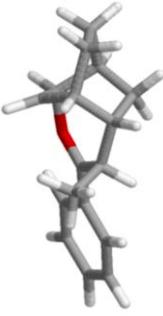
Gamma 1,4-diradical (triplet) Me is “out” B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -735.172668724 Hartrees	Delta 1,4-diradical (triplet) Me is “out” B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -735.160209632 Hartrees	$\Delta E = 7.8 \text{ kcal/mol}$ (triplet gamma diradical is lower in energy)
		
C 1.4275 -0.8843 -1.0292 C 1.6373 -1.7233 0.1893 C 2.2410 0.4044 -0.8647 O 0.0077 -0.5928 -1.2434 C 2.4945 -1.0998 1.2451 C 1.8650 0.2665 1.6315 C 3.8946 -0.8162 0.6417 C 1.6468 1.1416 0.3566 C -0.6054 0.2336 -0.3392 C 0.1489 1.4591 0.1157 C -1.9836 -0.0200 -0.0972 C -2.7868 0.8487 0.6947 C -4.1258 0.5748 0.9256 C -4.7296 -0.5626 0.3799 C -3.9607 -1.4266 -0.4083 C -2.6213 -1.1689 -0.6472 C 3.7247 0.0557 -0.6354 C -0.0458 2.6318 -0.8756 H 1.6980 -1.4134 -1.9493 H 1.1190 -2.6664 0.3122 H 2.1424 1.0149 -1.7652 H 2.5799 -1.7405 2.1256 H 2.5252 0.7772 2.3403 H 0.9131 0.0982 2.1425 H 4.5112 -0.3039 1.3873 H 4.3958 -1.7582 0.4061 H 2.1710 2.0951 0.4788 H -0.2660 1.7755 1.0774 H -2.3544 1.7415 1.1293 H -4.7098 1.2558 1.5357 H -5.7774 -0.7700 0.5631 H -4.4172 -2.3113 -0.8398 H -2.0370 -1.8429 -1.2589 H 4.2980 0.9839 -0.5528 H 4.1132 -0.4685 -1.5144 H 0.4971 3.5186 -0.5322 H 0.3116 2.3780 -1.8759 H -1.1030 2.8919 -0.9619	C 1.9995 -0.1284 -1.4362 C 1.4598 -1.2749 -0.6574 C 2.6192 0.9004 -0.5543 O 0.0111 -1.1631 -0.4777 C 2.2006 -1.3378 0.7027 C 1.7472 -0.1522 1.5751 C 3.7091 -1.1551 0.4232 C 1.6366 1.0896 0.6547 C -0.5967 0.0079 -0.1048 C 0.1583 1.2892 0.2210 C -2.0174 -0.0916 -0.0118 C -2.6934 -1.2905 -0.3823 C -4.0713 -1.3961 -0.2907 C -4.8469 -0.3271 0.1717 C -4.2064 0.8581 0.5444 C -2.8280 0.9814 0.4568 C 0.0019 2.3708 -0.8725 C 3.9587 0.3128 -0.0212 H 1.8226 -0.0190 -2.4988 H 1.5535 -2.2235 -1.1911 H 2.7921 1.8476 -1.0670 H 2.0008 -2.2935 1.1921 H 2.4749 0.0066 2.3763 H 0.7884 -0.3541 2.0577 H 4.2847 -1.3939 1.3218 H 4.0350 -1.8523 -0.3557 H 1.9388 1.9908 1.1989 H -0.3364 1.6846 1.1176 H -2.1098 -2.1265 -0.7423 H -4.5525 -2.3234 -0.5838 H -5.9248 -0.4158 0.2399 H -4.7907 1.6964 0.9093 H -2.3742 1.9160 0.7604 H 0.4946 3.2989 -0.5629 H 0.4389 2.0522 -1.8207 H -1.0505 2.5923 -1.0555 H 4.3168 0.9231 0.8148 H 4.7239 0.3587 -0.7994	

Table S10. Effect of the Me group in the tether on relative stability of the diradicals in the bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane system with vicinal endo COOMe (Me is “in”)

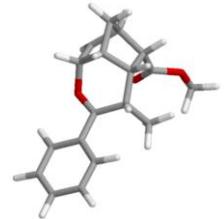
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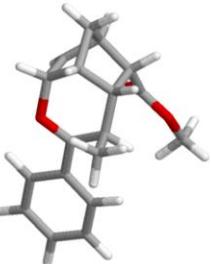
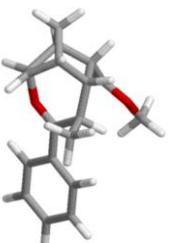
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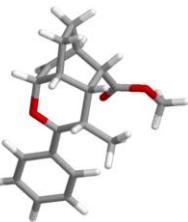
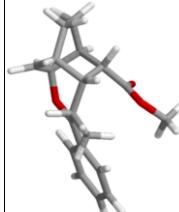
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Table S13. Effect of the Me group in the tether on relative stability of the diradicals in the bicyclo[2.2.2]octane system with vicinal endo COOMe (Me is “out”)

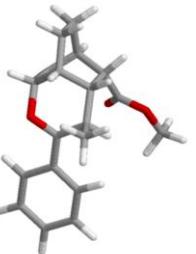
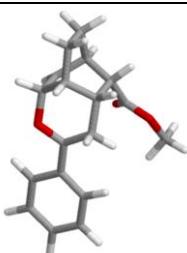
Gamma 1,4-diradical (triplet) Me is “out” B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -963.108676349 Hartrees	Delta 1,4-diradical (triplet) Me is “out” B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) -963.097120510 Hartrees	$\Delta E = 7.3$ kcal/mol (triplet gamma diradical is lower in energy)
		

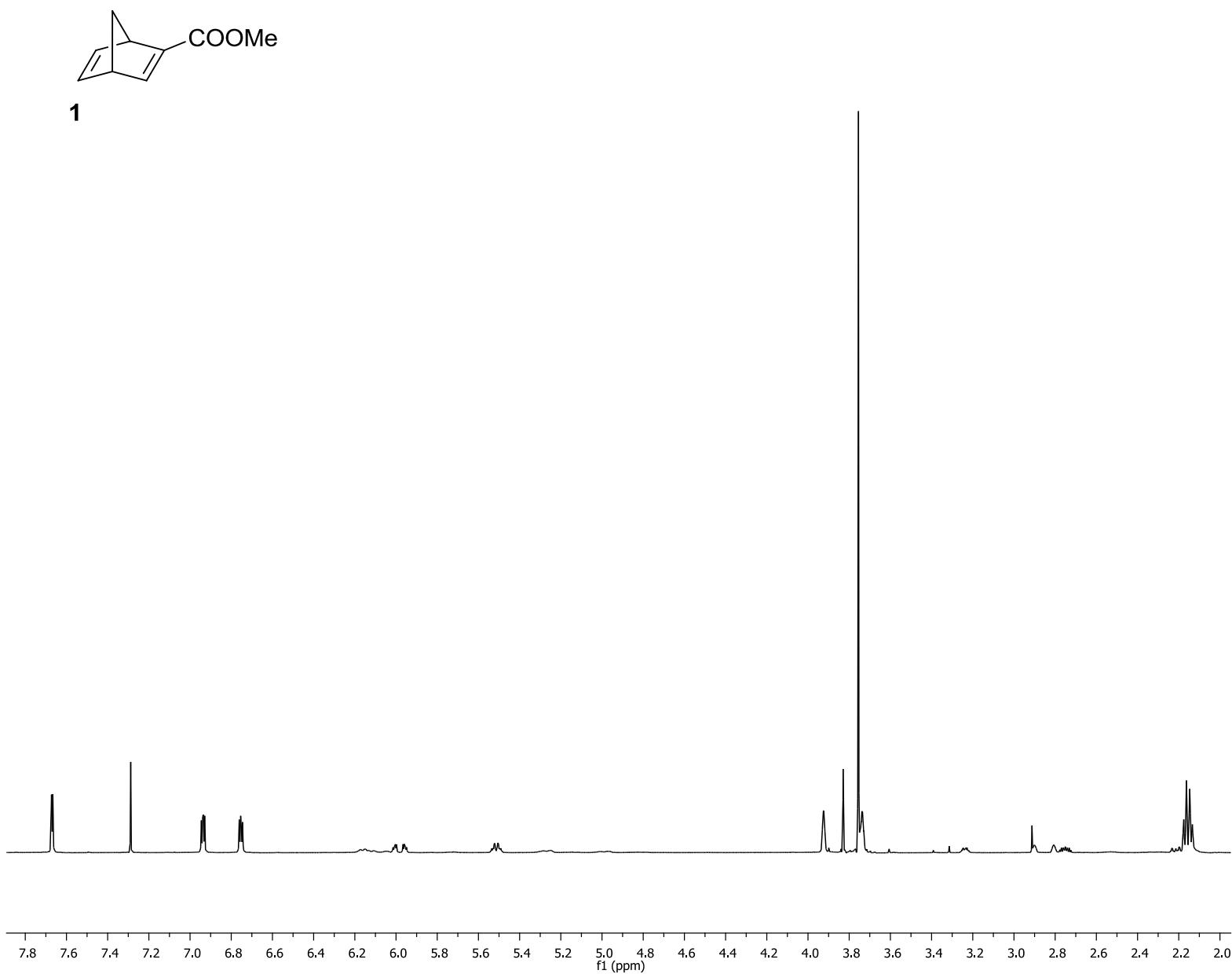
Table S14. Comparison of triplet diradicals in the bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane system with vicinal endo COOMe (no Me substitution in the tether)

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C -1.4469 -2.0135 -0.2907 C -1.8303 -1.0835 -1.4067 C -2.3449 -1.5036 0.8639 O -0.0272 -2.0253 -0.0039 C -2.9023 -0.1736 -0.8914 C -2.2479 0.8206 0.1186 C -3.6256 -1.1223 0.1002 C -1.7806 -0.1262 1.3028 C 0.5216 -0.9047 0.5567 C -0.2786 -0.2124 1.6163 C 1.8945 -0.6697 0.2708 C 2.5755 -1.4370 -0.7160 C 3.9099 -1.2058 -1.0049 C 4.6298 -0.2132 -0.3304 C 3.9835 0.5451 0.6508 C 2.6482 0.3264 0.9525 H 0.1172 0.7827 1.8096 C -1.2379 1.7557 -0.5158 O -0.9773 1.8165 -1.6924 O -0.7061 2.5972 0.4012 C 0.2330 3.5678 -0.1056 H -1.6548 -3.0647 -0.5186 H -1.2644 -0.9553 -2.3176 H -2.4495 -2.2133 1.6854 H -3.5091 0.3187 -1.6499 H -3.0281 1.4801 0.5166 H -4.1060 -1.9684 -0.3965 H -2.2887 0.1961 2.2144 H -0.1794 -0.7771 2.5590 H 2.0290 -2.2072 -1.2434 H 4.4004 -1.8039 -1.7657 H 5.6739 -0.0375 -0.5613 H 4.5318 1.3106 1.1896 H 2.1837 0.9219 1.7287 H 0.5244 4.1657 0.7554 H -0.2391 4.1919 -0.8651 H 1.0999 3.0662 -0.5368 H -4.3616 -0.6152 0.7309	C -1.6712 -2.3304 0.0216 C -1.4878 -1.3758 -1.1162 C -2.5572 -1.6088 0.9788 O -0.1639 -0.7635 -1.0659 C -2.6573 -0.3465 -0.9052 C -2.2143 0.6831 0.1491 C -3.6450 -1.1572 -0.0340 C -1.7890 -0.2509 1.3316 C 0.4839 -0.6262 0.1365 C -0.2666 -0.4562 1.4408 C 1.9016 -0.5500 0.0518 C 2.5736 -0.6737 -1.1978 C 3.9542 -0.6030 -1.2752 C 4.7304 -0.4086 -0.1265 C 4.0913 -0.2856 1.1109 C 2.7095 -0.3520 1.2071 H 0.1563 0.4119 1.9542 C -1.3036 1.7886 -0.3524 O -1.2547 2.1641 -1.4971 O -0.6406 2.3955 0.6567 C 0.1966 3.5075 0.2793 H -1.0323 -3.1817 0.2138 H -1.5197 -1.8275 -2.1092 H -2.8858 -2.1637 1.8566 H -3.0359 0.0883 -1.8273 H -3.1097 1.2345 0.4621 H -4.1050 -2.0056 -0.5444 H -2.1496 0.1401 2.2851 H -0.0767 -1.3166 2.0989 H 1.9845 -0.8202 -2.0929 H 4.4376 -0.6997 -2.2417 H 5.8108 -0.3563 -0.1946 H 4.6799 -0.1383 2.0103 H 2.2480 -0.2580 2.1822 H 0.6414 3.8630 1.2061 H -0.4005 4.2916 -0.1879 H 0.9694 3.1781 -0.4157 H -4.4347 -0.5329 0.3934	

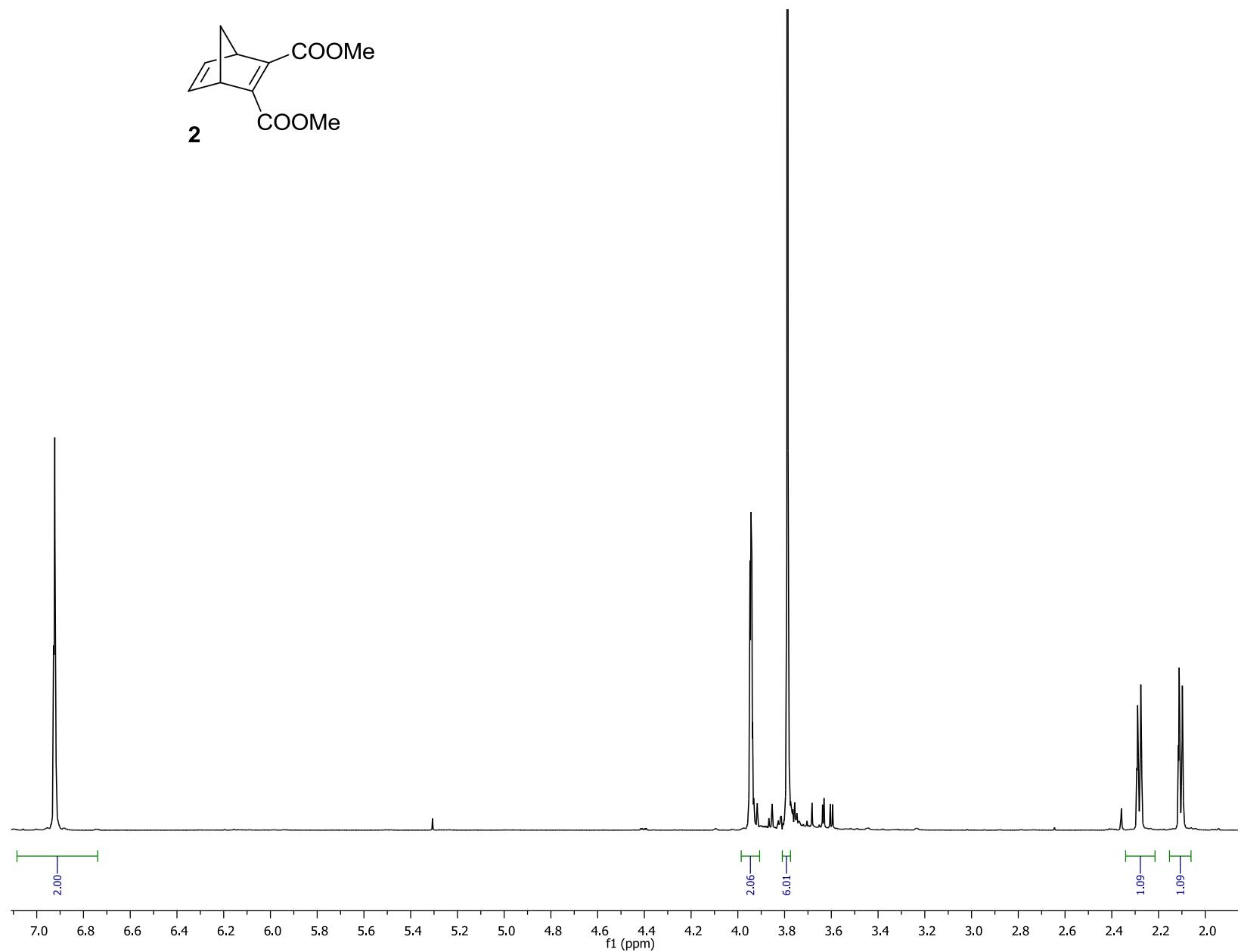
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C 1.3016 -1.9386 0.2256 C 1.6237 -1.0643 1.3920 C 2.0774 -1.4088 -0.9896 O -0.1365 -1.9867 -0.0272 C 2.5854 0.0433 1.1032 C 2.0048 0.9353 -0.0329 C 3.9028 -0.5734 0.5665 C 1.5617 0.0262 -1.2471 C -0.7250 -0.8565 -0.5258 C 0.0480 -0.0617 -1.5355 C -2.1106 -0.6990 -0.2473 C -2.7701 -1.5570 0.6774 C -4.1182 -1.4056 0.9557 C -4.8730 -0.4060 0.3316 C -4.2477 0.4419 -0.5877 C -2.8992 0.3033 -0.8783 H -0.3746 0.9348 -1.6465 C 0.9571 1.8967 0.5056 O 0.5300 1.9181 1.6331 O 0.5941 2.8006 -0.4357 C -0.3719 3.7874 -0.0196 H 1.5403 -2.9914 0.4147 H 1.0992 -1.1688 2.3325 H 1.8569 -2.0311 -1.8619 H 2.7716 0.6494 1.9896 H 2.8106 1.5826 -0.3979 H 4.3609 -1.1826 1.3489 H 2.0377 0.4195 -2.1490 H -0.0557 -0.5481 -2.5207 H -2.1964 -2.3332 1.1654 H -4.5921 -2.0723 1.6685 H -5.9277 -0.2929 0.5539 H -4.8226 1.2149 -1.0868 H -2.4516 0.9659 -1.6086 H -0.5382 4.4160 -0.8918 H 0.0212 4.3773 0.8093 H -1.2990 3.3043 0.2915 C 3.5871 -1.4309 -0.6917 H 4.6125 0.2259 0.3295 H 3.9153 -2.4650 -0.5488 H 4.1266 -1.0551 -1.5663	C -2.0965 -2.0246 0.3660 C -1.5359 -1.4481 -0.8891 C -2.6768 -0.9705 1.2496 O -0.0791 -1.3493 -0.8268 C -2.2149 -0.0780 -1.1449 C -1.7538 0.9497 -0.0872 C -3.7331 -0.2742 -0.9289 C -1.6235 0.1953 1.2663 C 0.5516 -0.8011 0.2571 C -0.1965 -0.3652 1.4932 C 1.9729 -0.7533 0.1447 C 2.6224 -1.1399 -1.0624 C 4.0011 -1.0883 -1.1814 C 4.8004 -0.6604 -0.1155 C 4.1853 -0.2857 1.0825 C 2.8056 -0.3295 1.2182 H 0.3969 0.4157 1.9679 C -0.5733 1.8026 -0.5313 O -0.2141 1.9485 -1.6735 O -0.0415 2.4873 0.5063 C 1.0412 3.3822 0.1791 H -1.9454 -3.0601 0.6436 H -1.6858 -2.1033 -1.7503 H -2.8535 -1.3252 2.2672 H -1.9847 0.2751 -2.1494 H -2.5557 1.6919 0.0205 H -4.0831 -1.1367 -1.5046 H -1.8571 0.8734 2.0910 H -0.2552 -1.1879 2.2225 H 2.0177 -1.4672 -1.8967 H 4.4639 -1.3835 -2.1172 H 5.8790 -0.6244 -0.2150 H 4.7907 0.0382 1.9226 H 2.3695 -0.0475 2.1681 H 1.3186 3.8564 1.1181 H 0.7124 4.1269 -0.5467 H 1.8820 2.8220 -0.2309 C -3.9984 -0.4882 0.5889 H -4.2780 0.5971 -1.3025 H -4.7859 -1.2286 0.7455 H -4.3349 0.4376 1.0680	

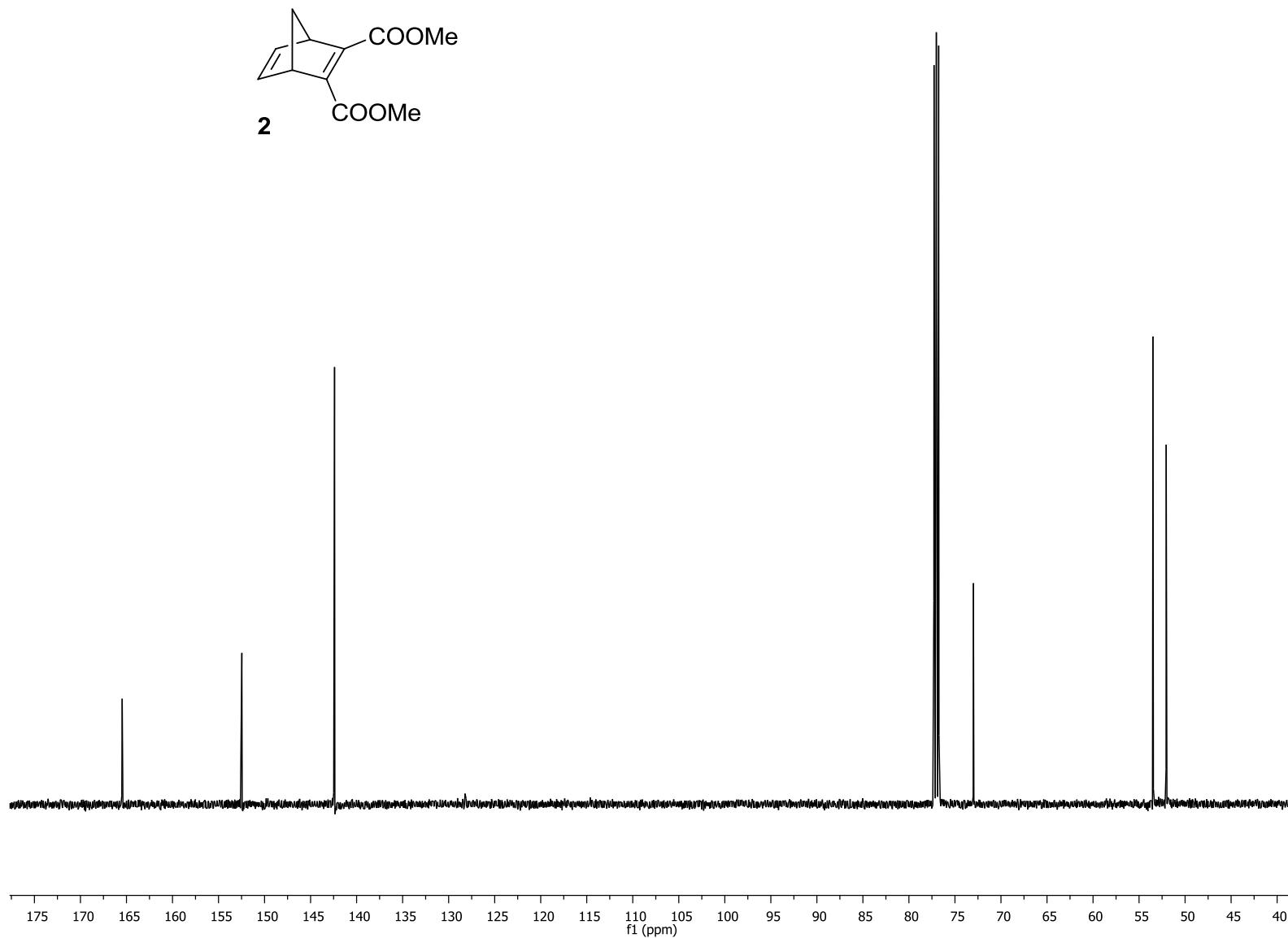
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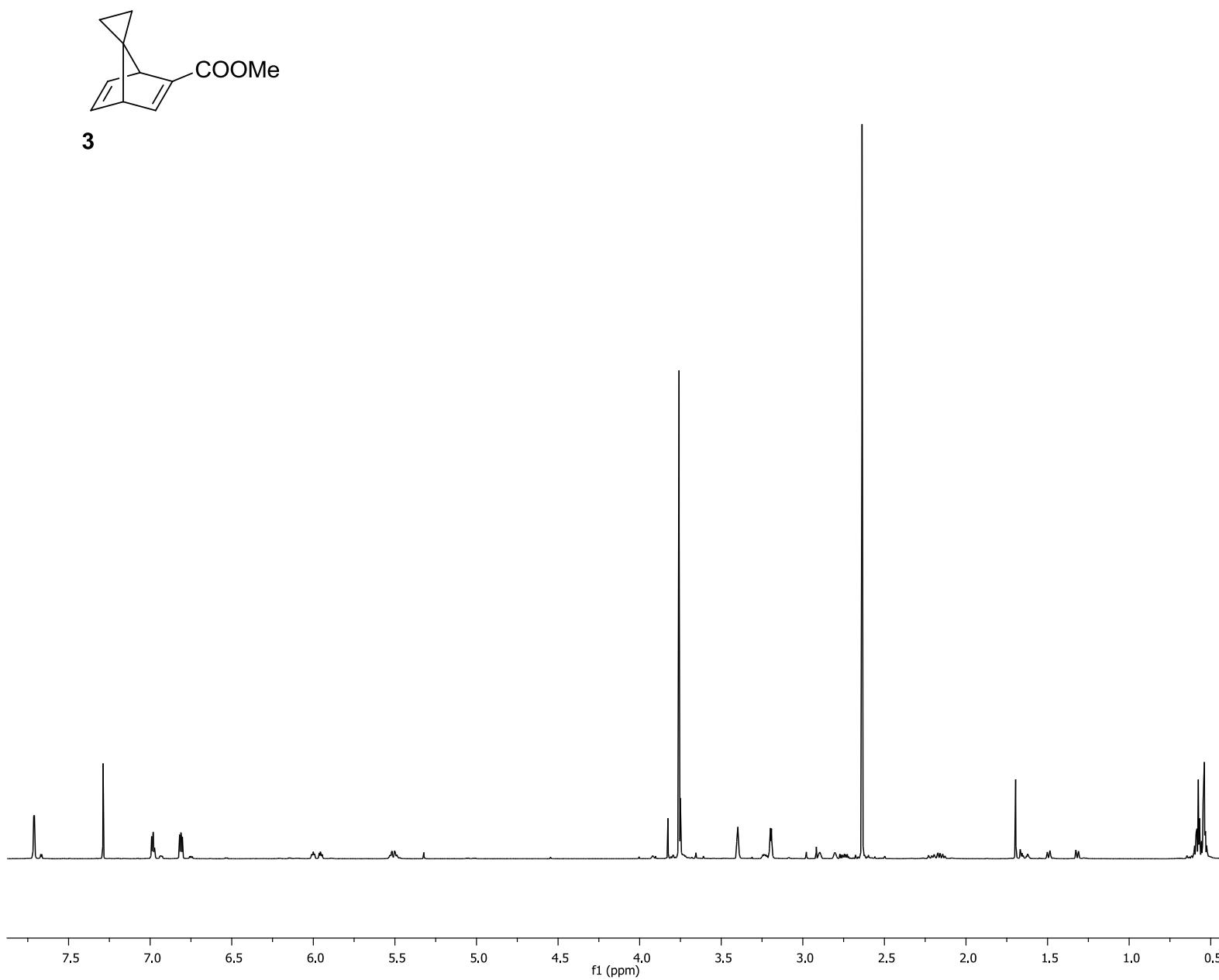
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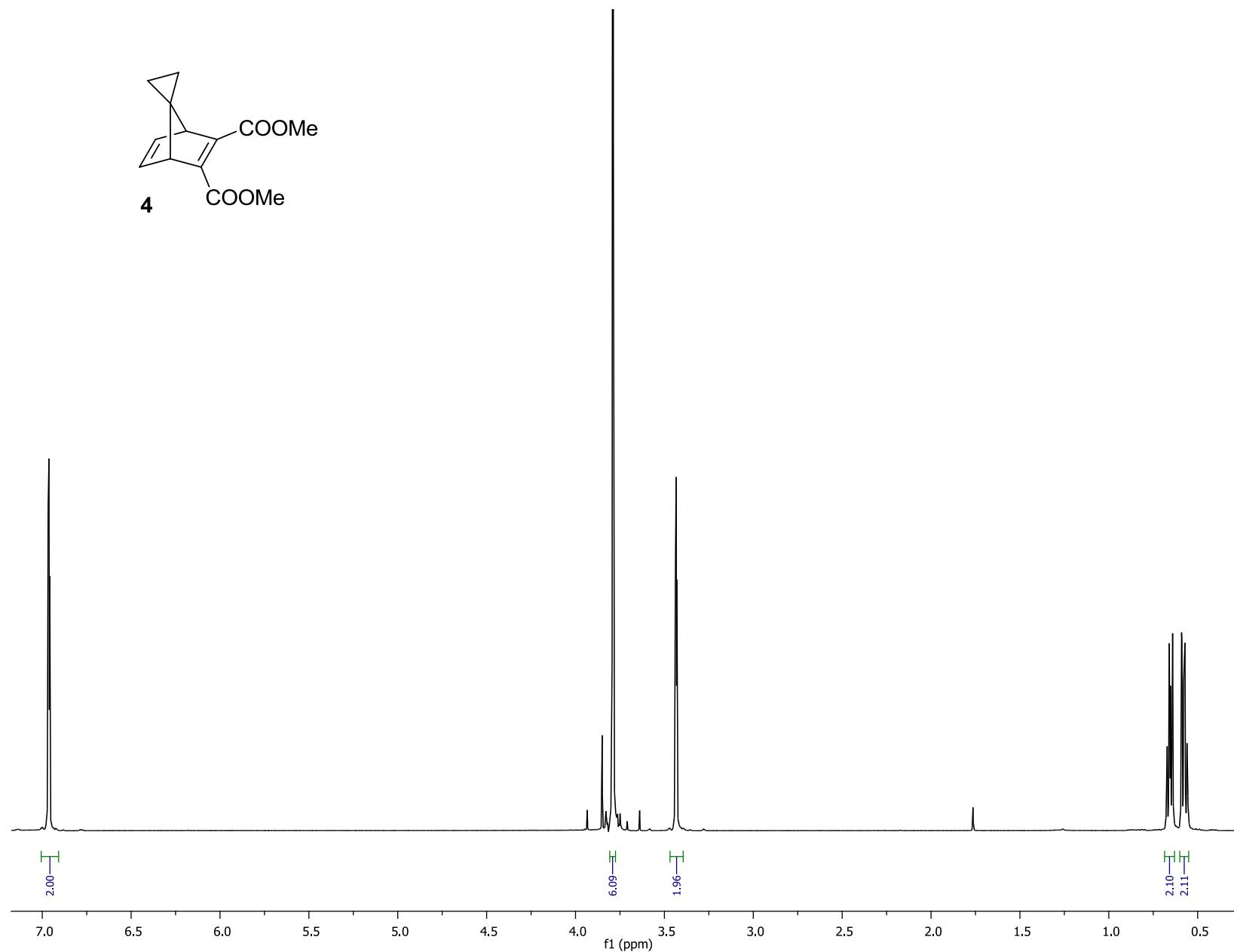
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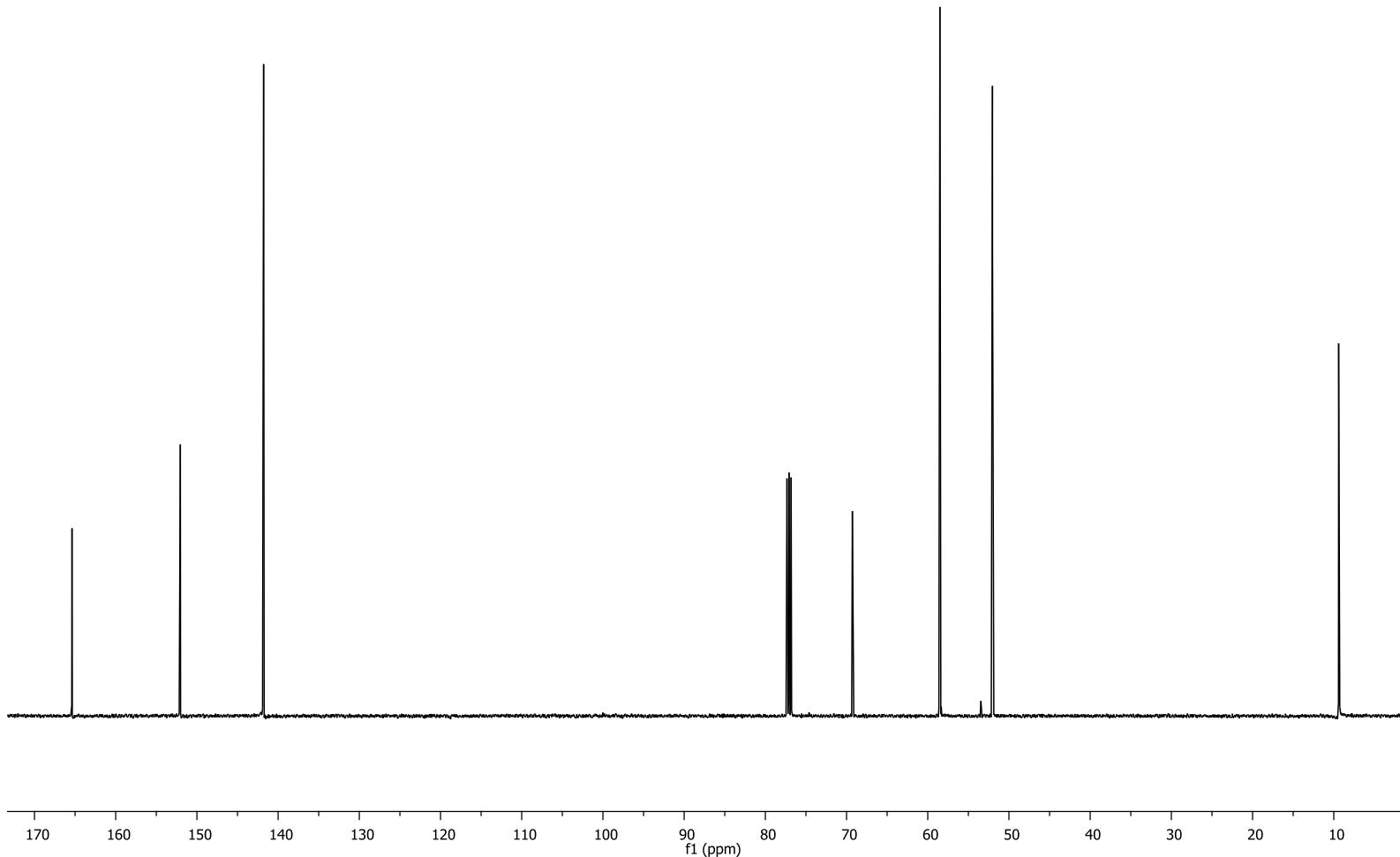
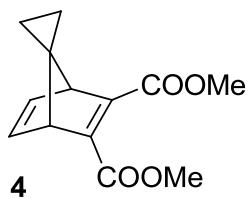
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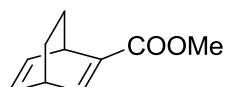
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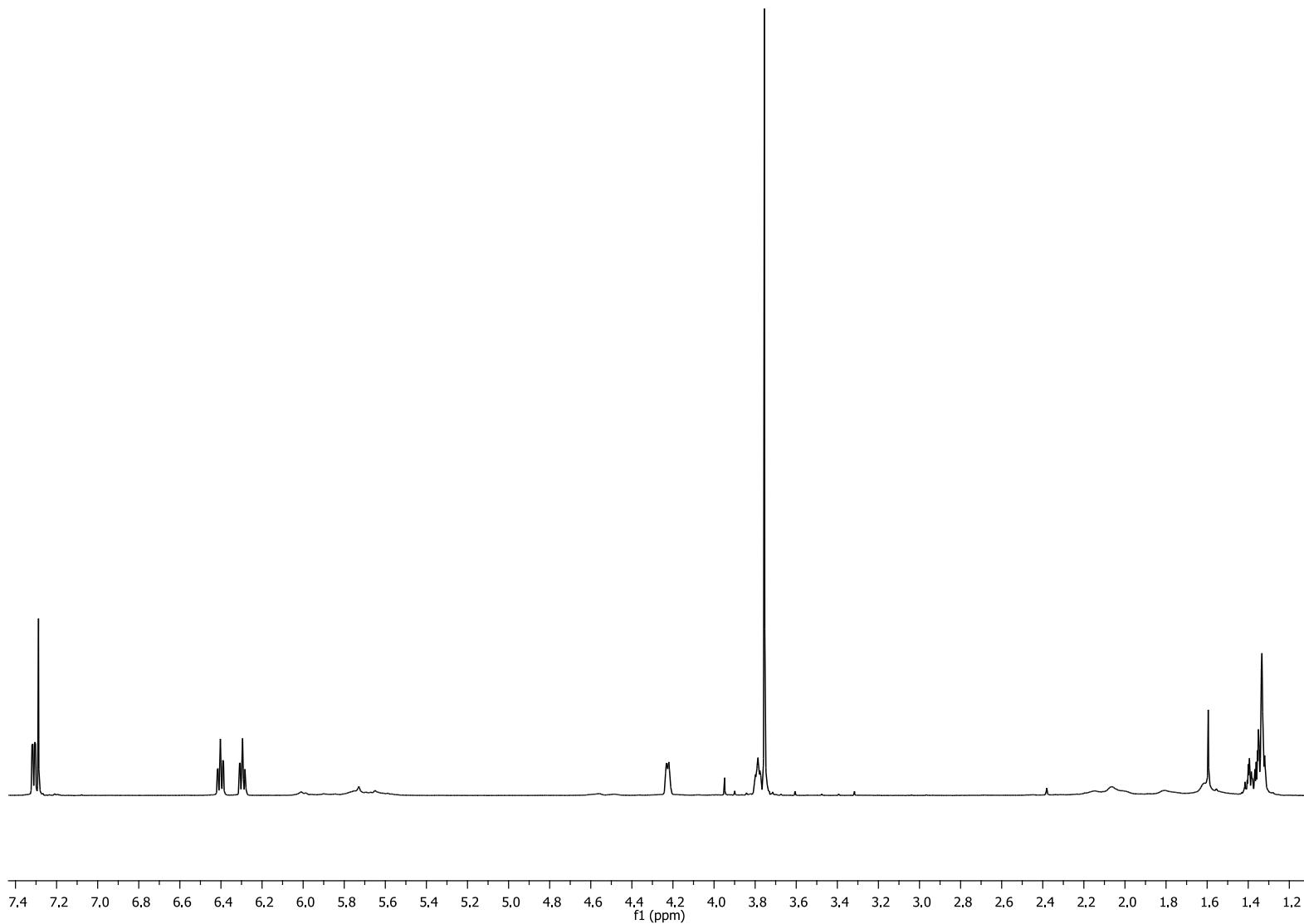
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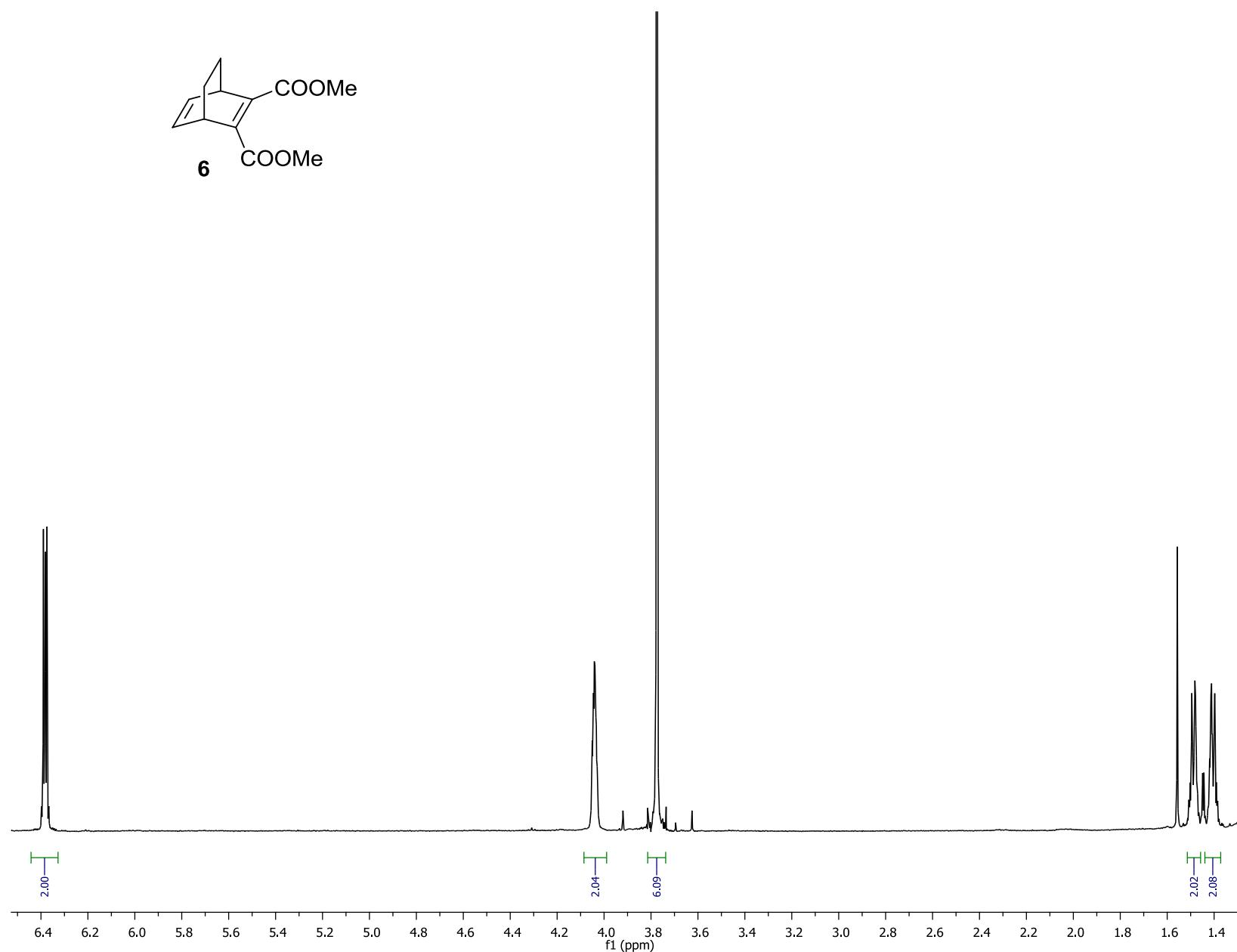
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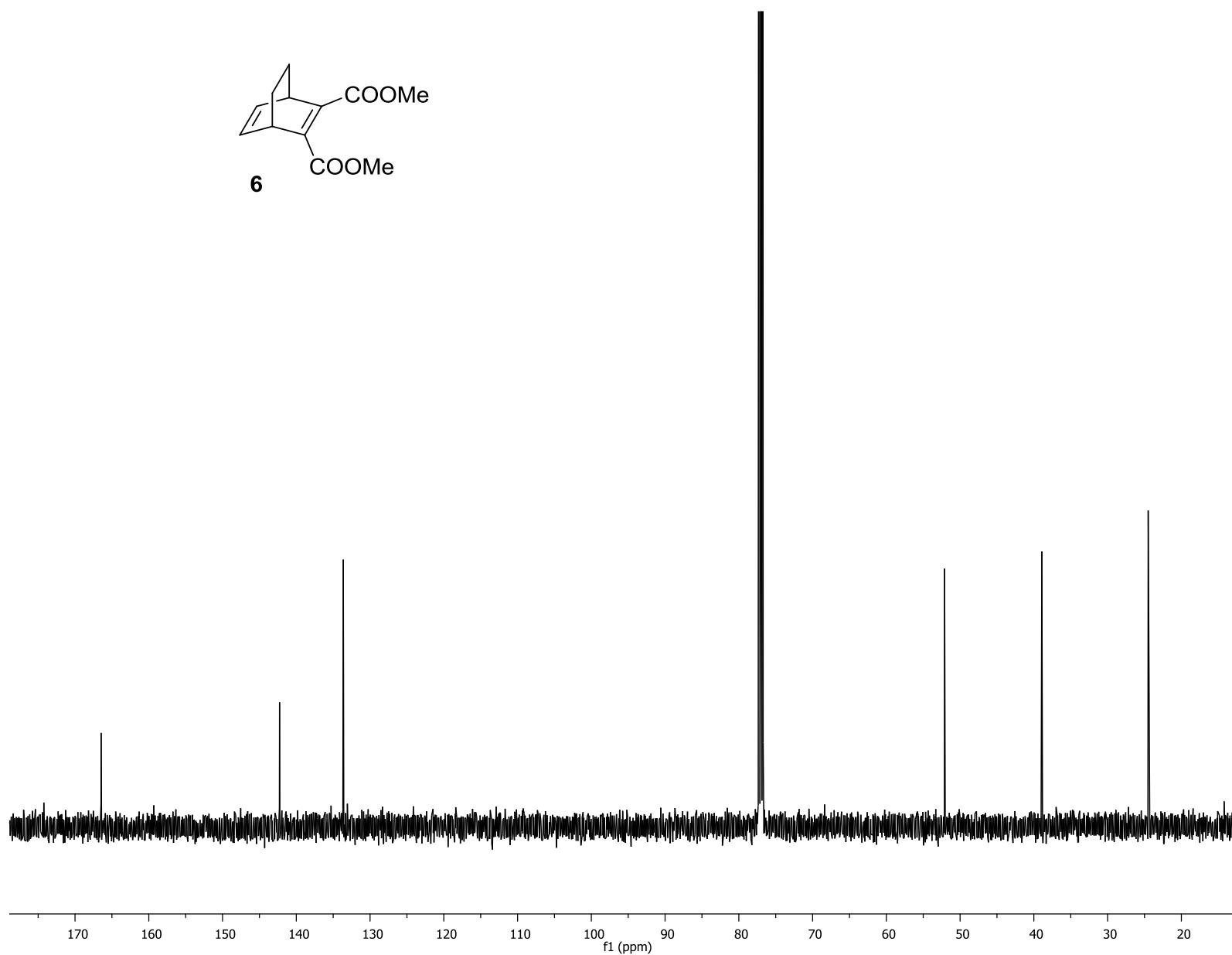
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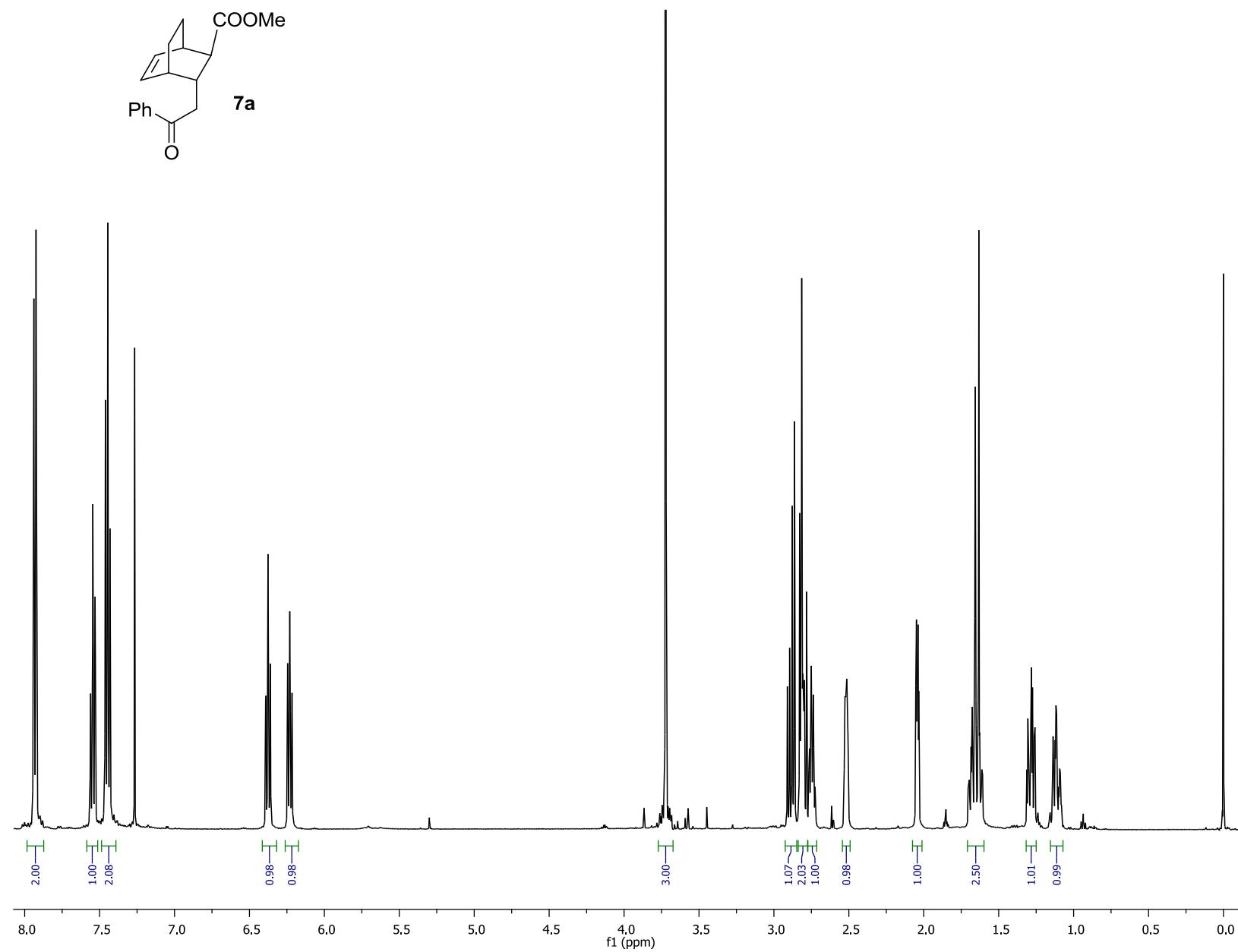
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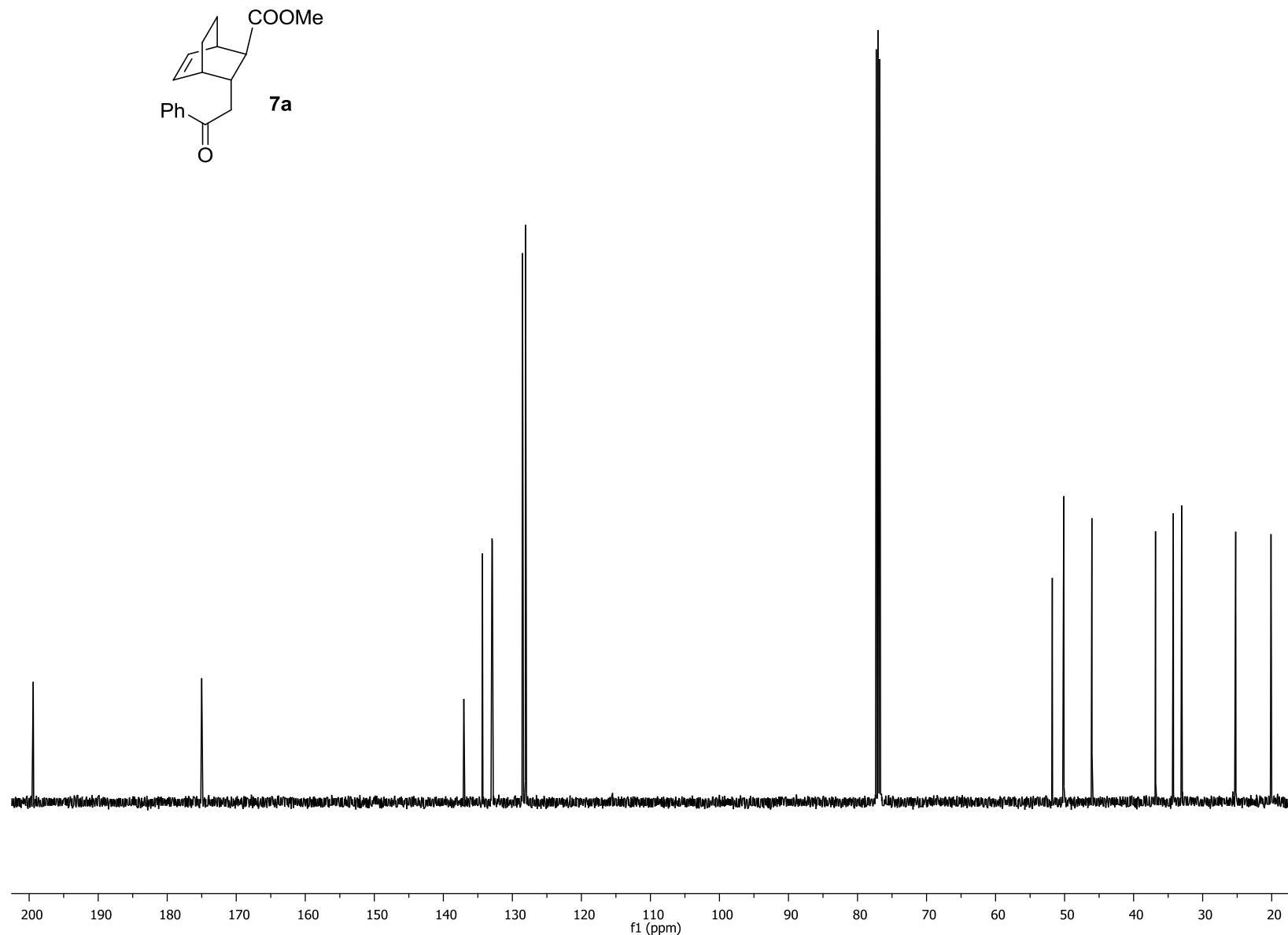
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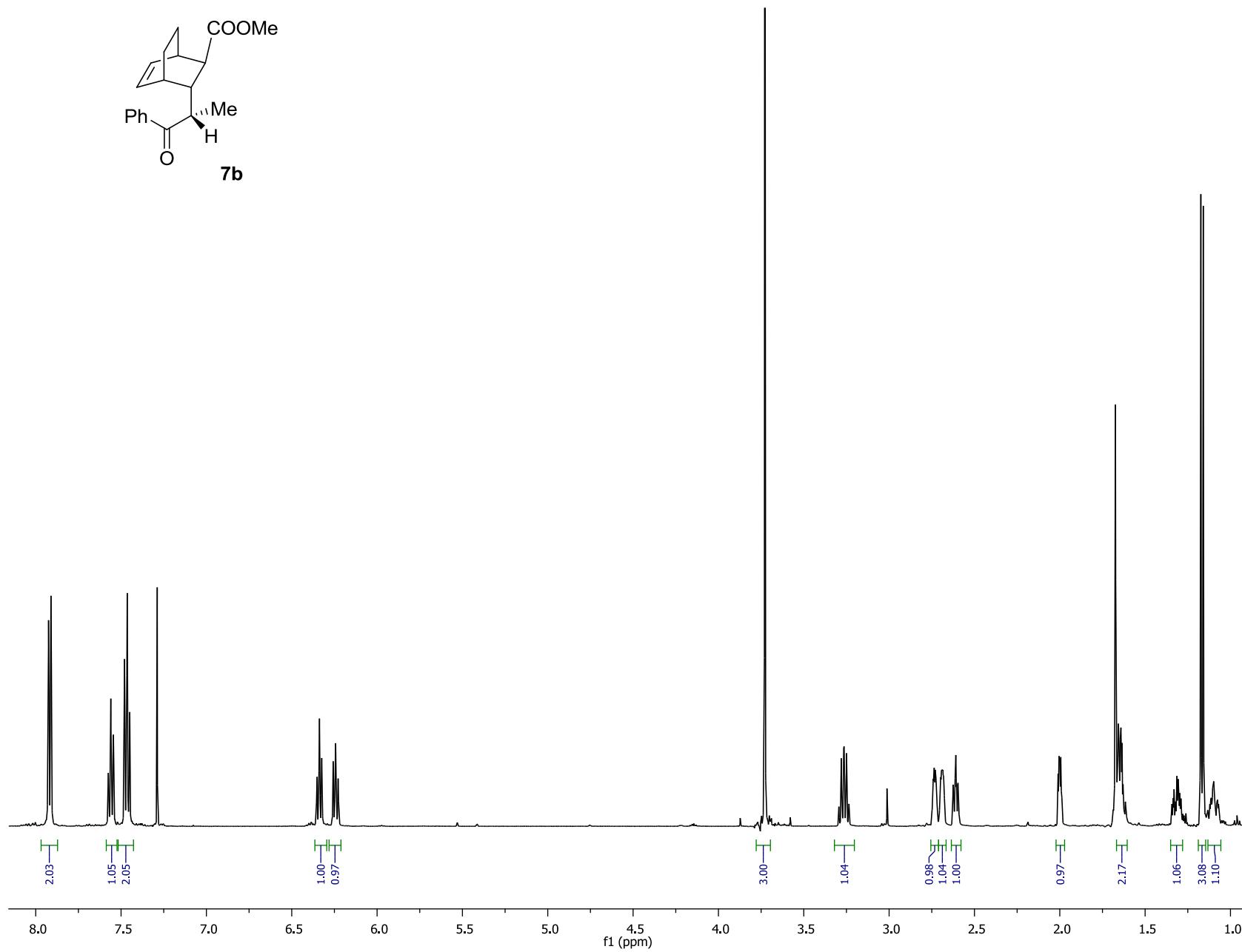
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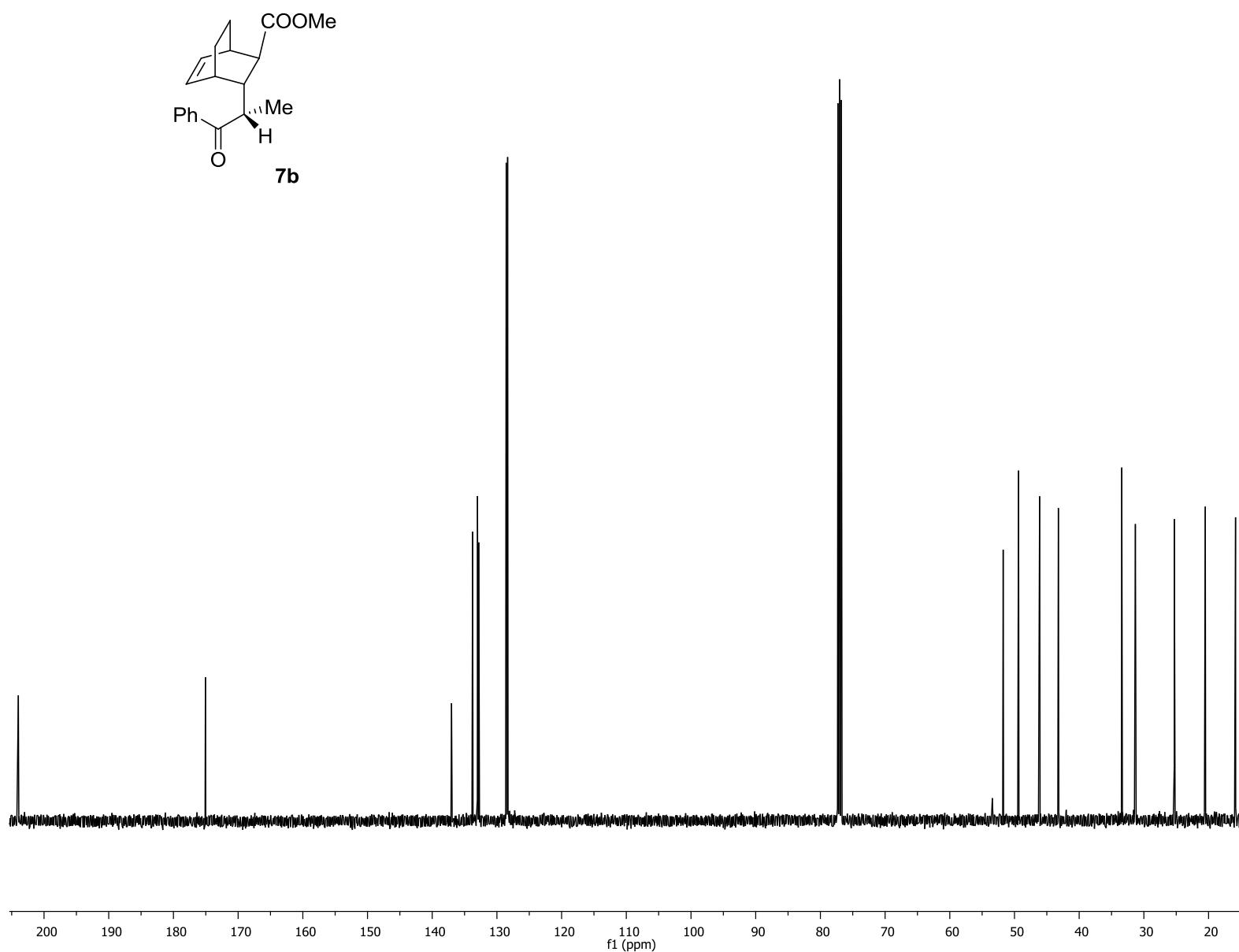
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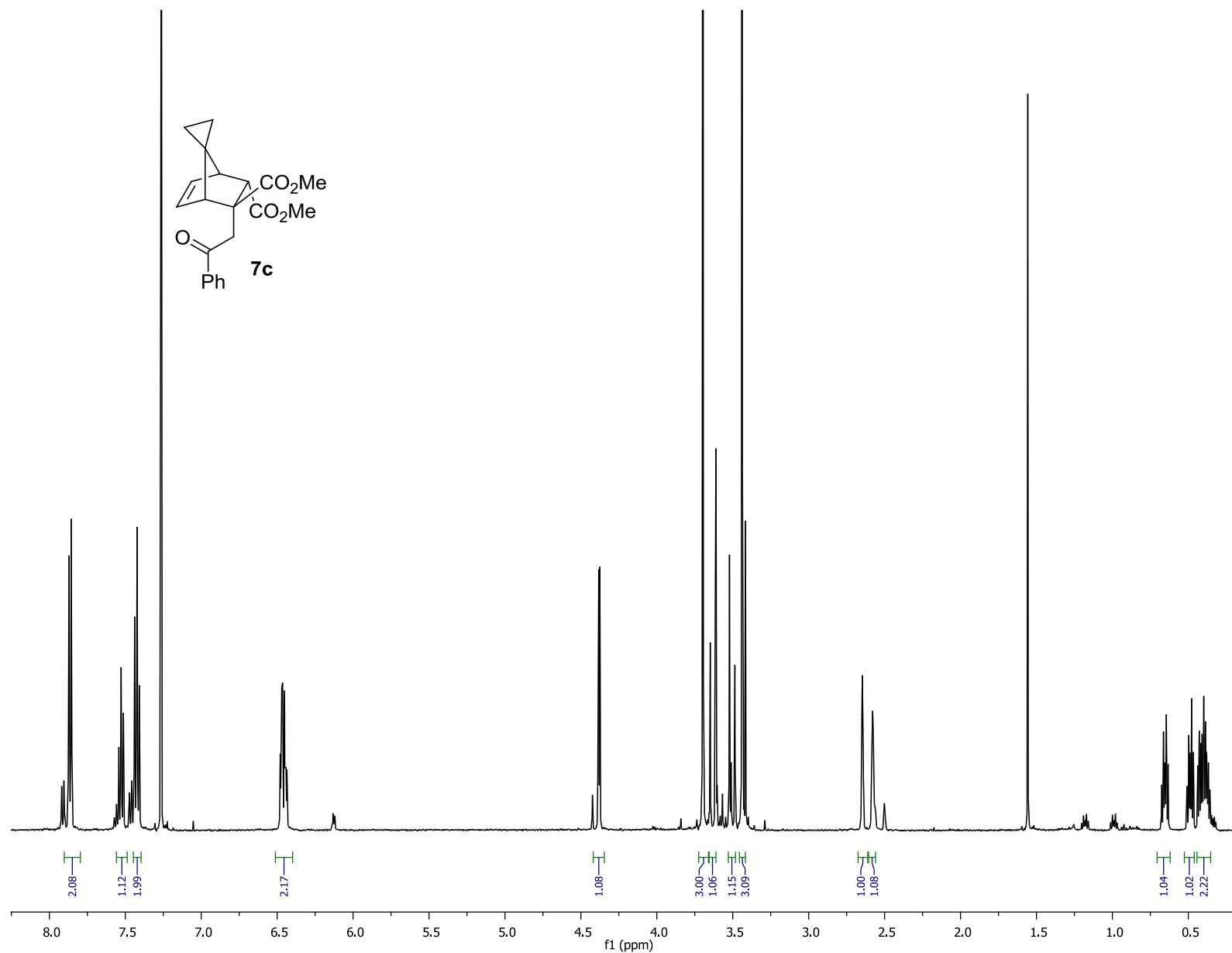


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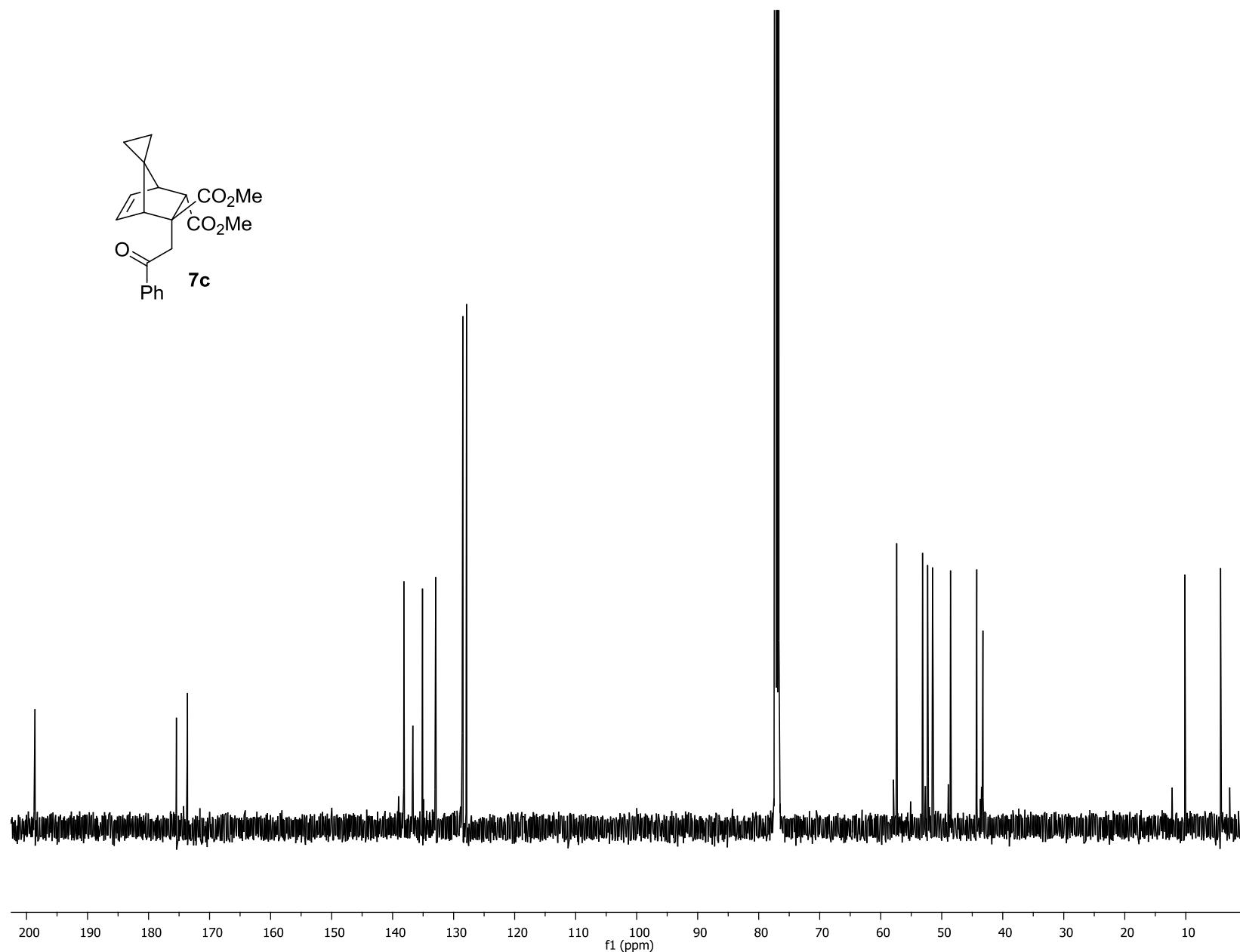


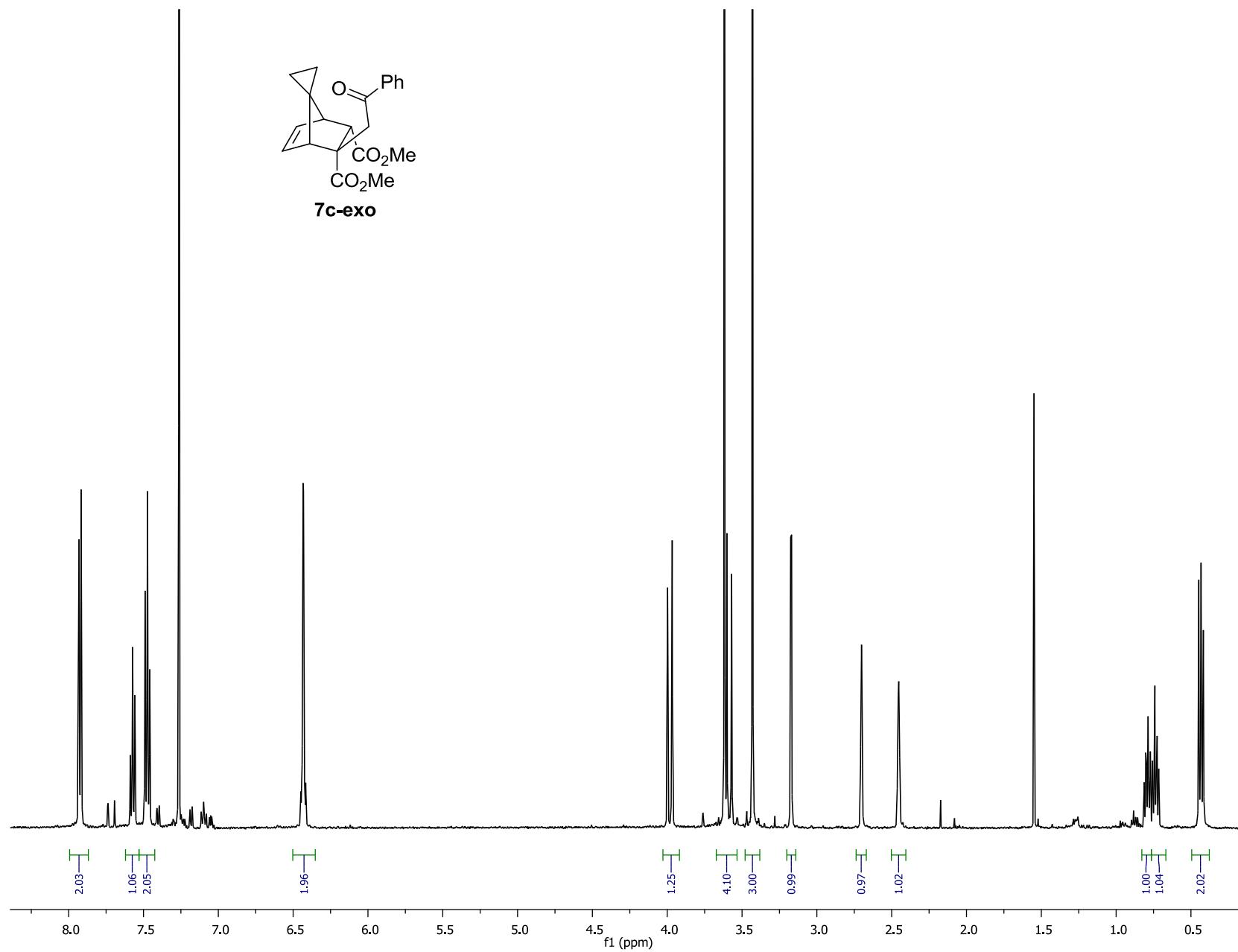
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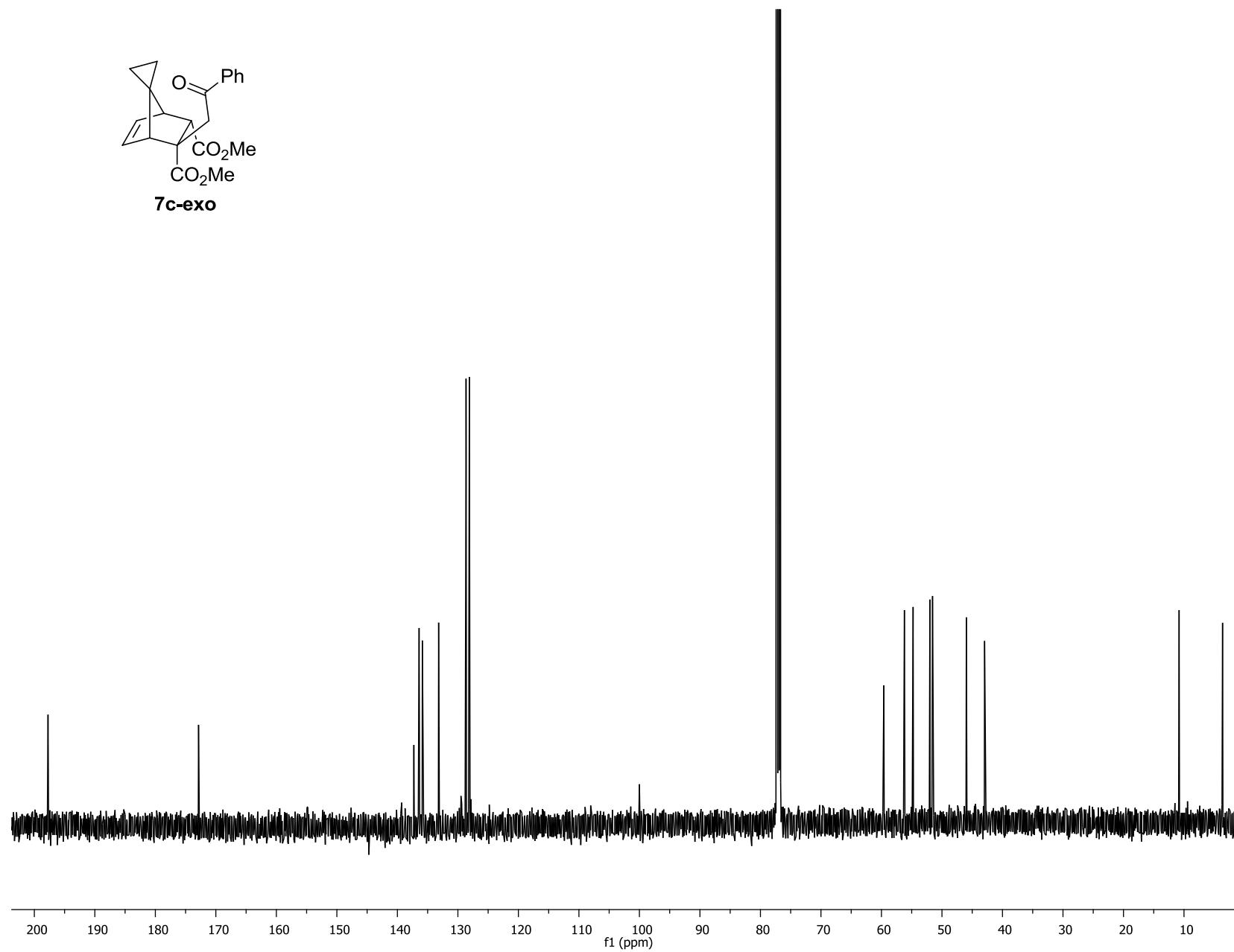
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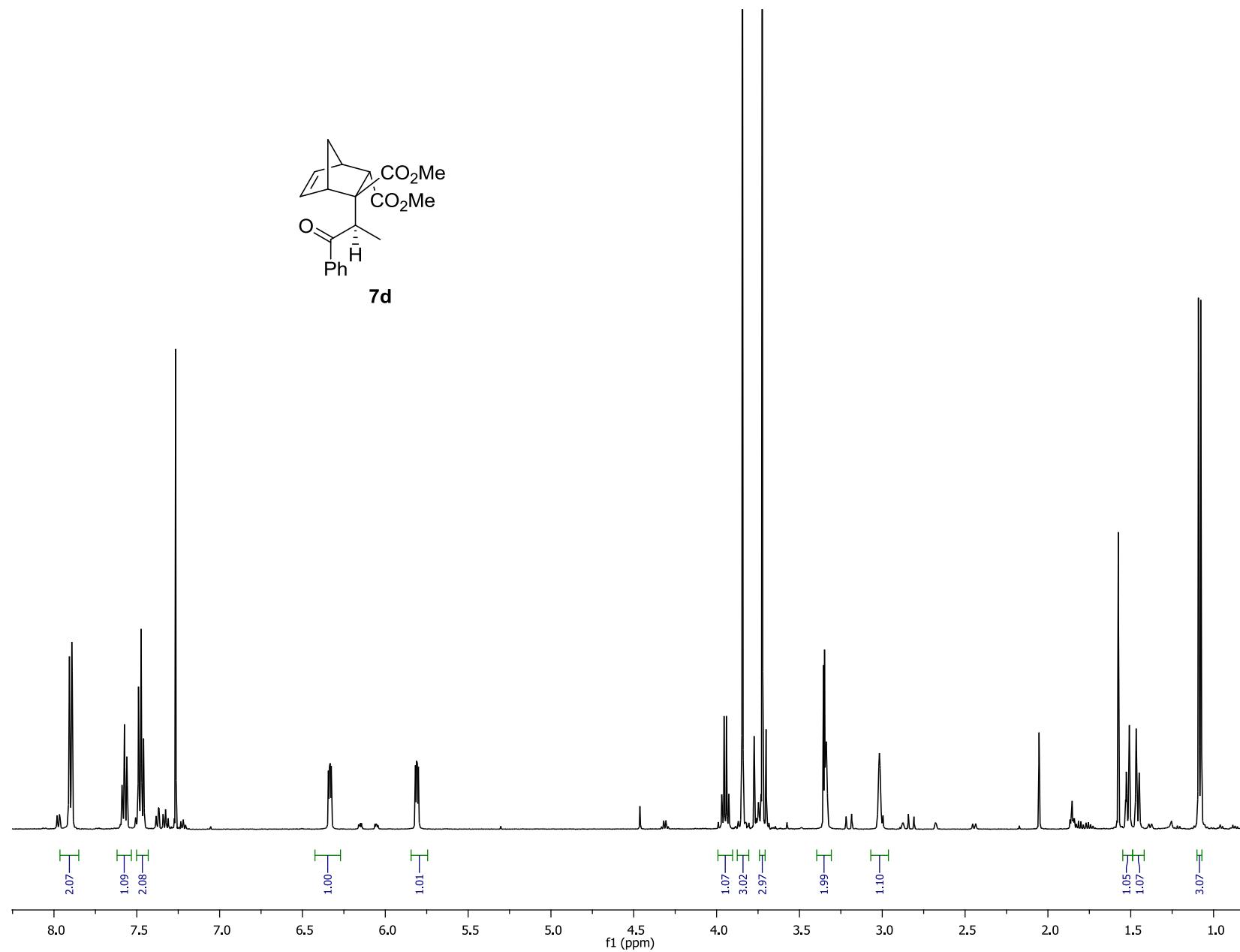


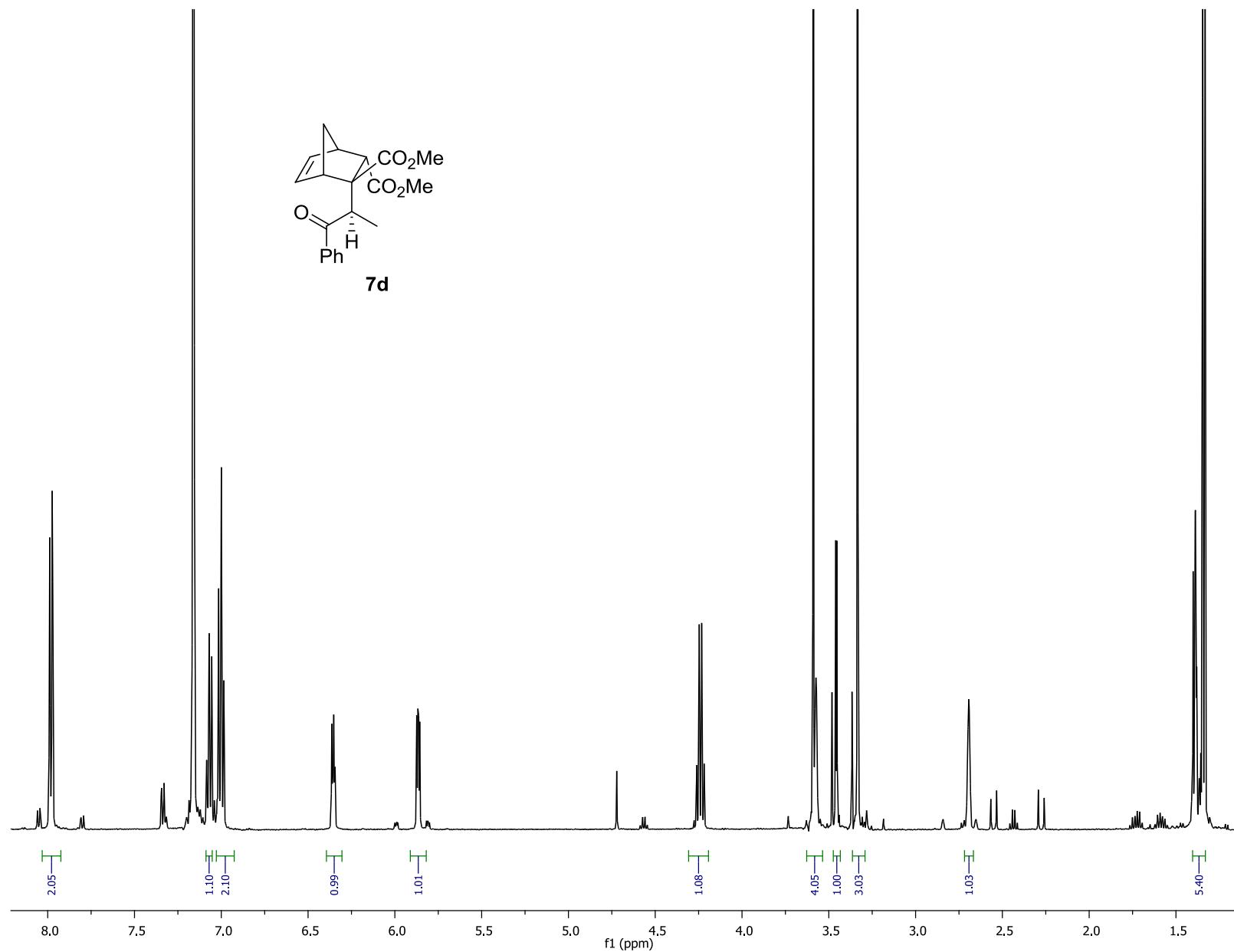
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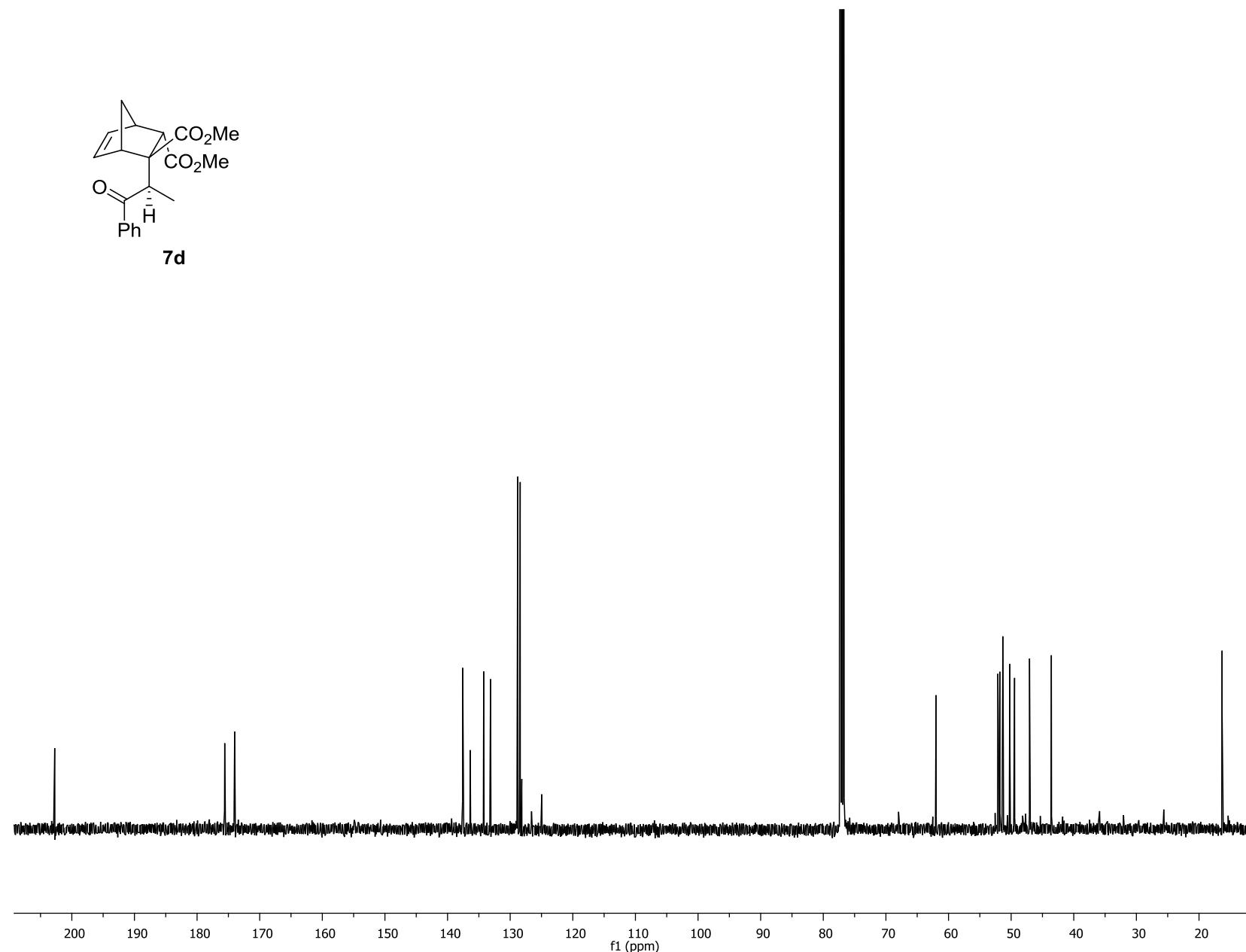


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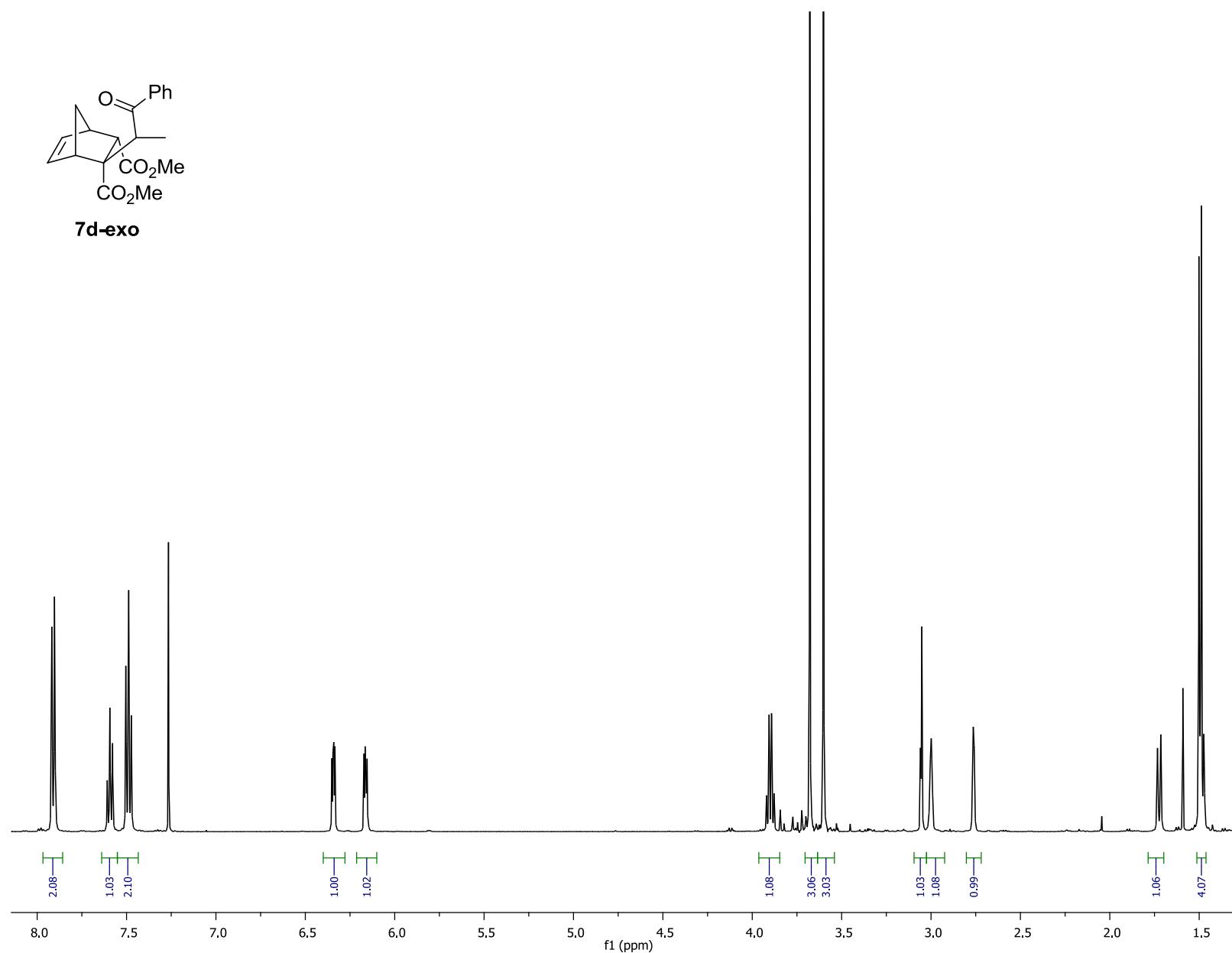


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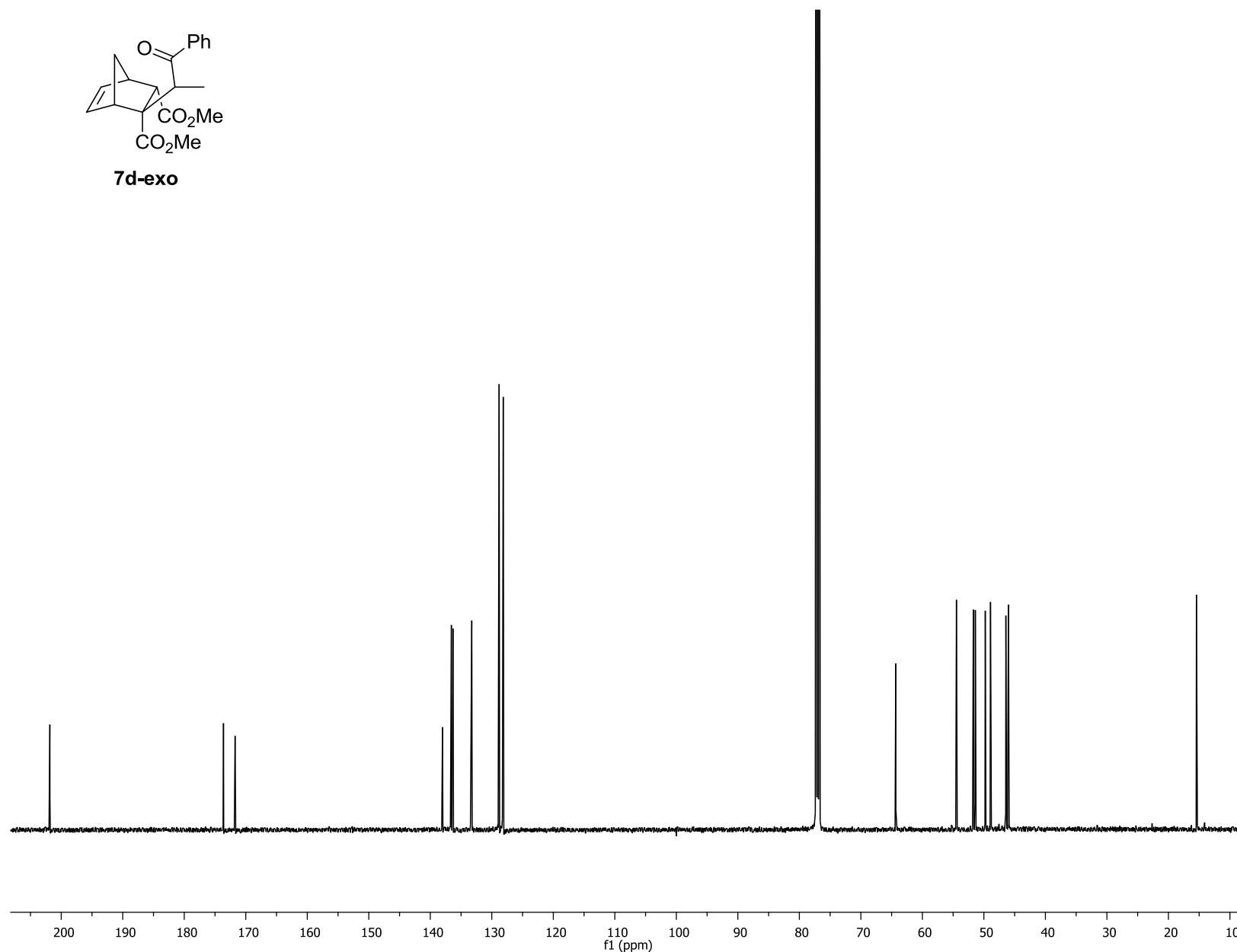
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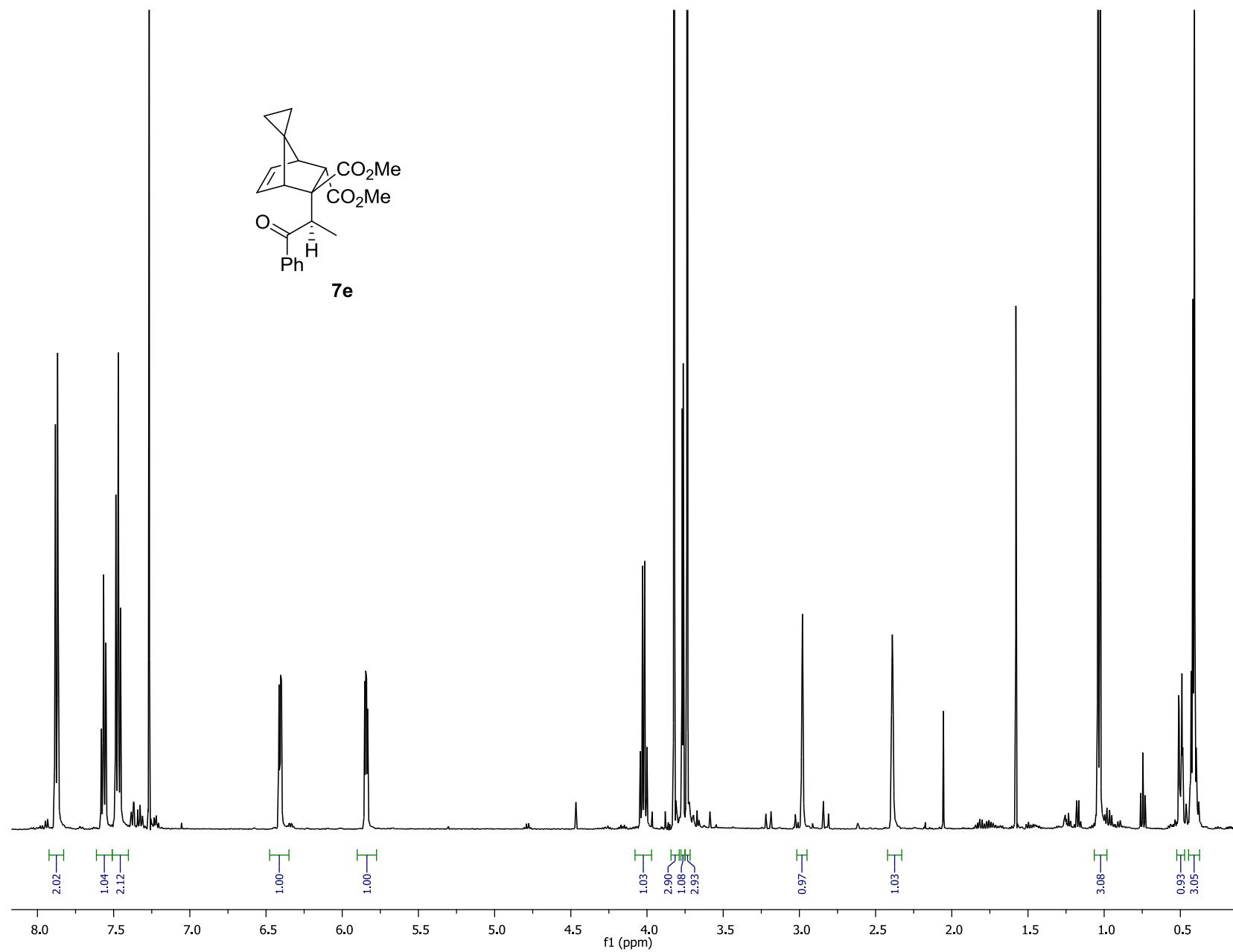
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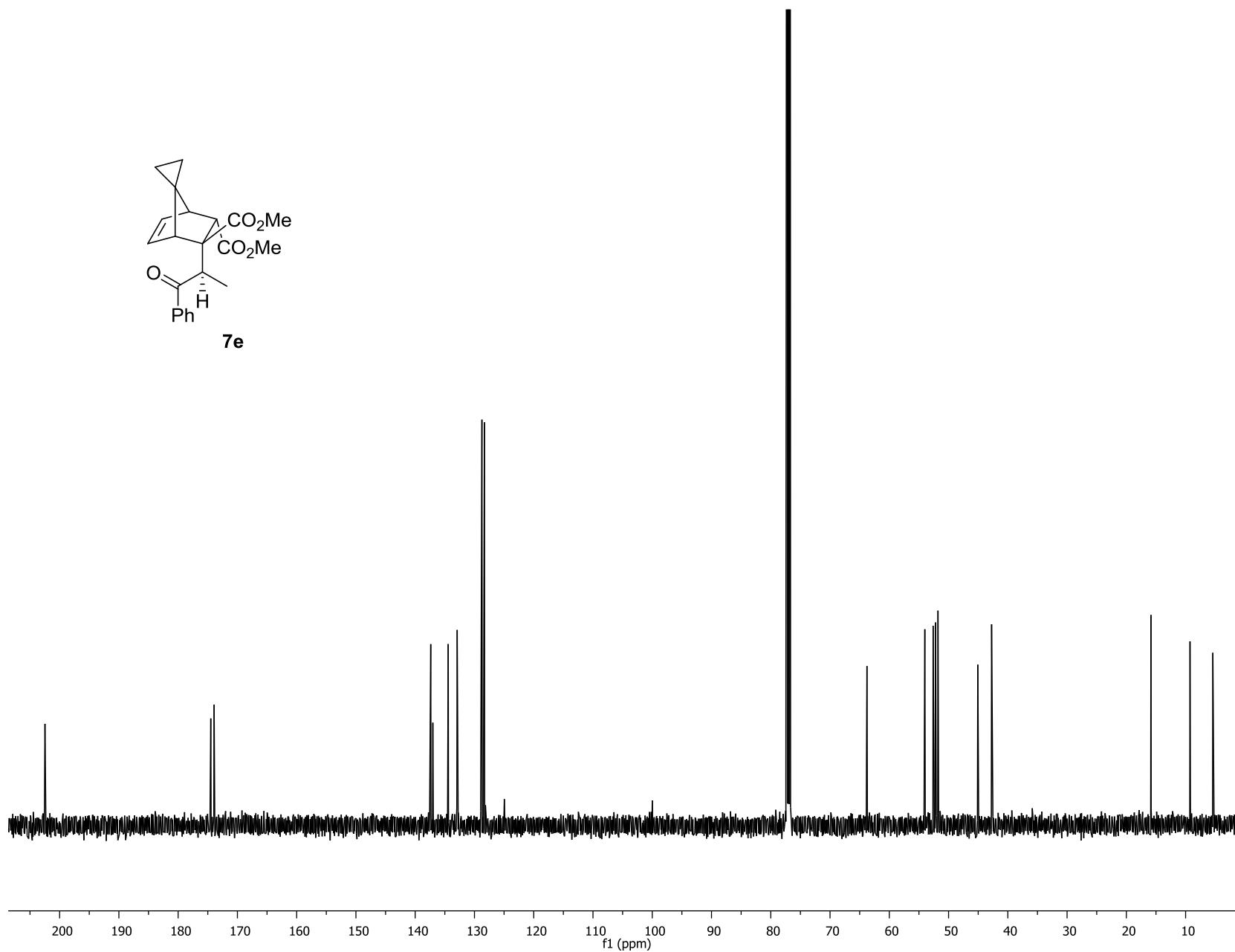
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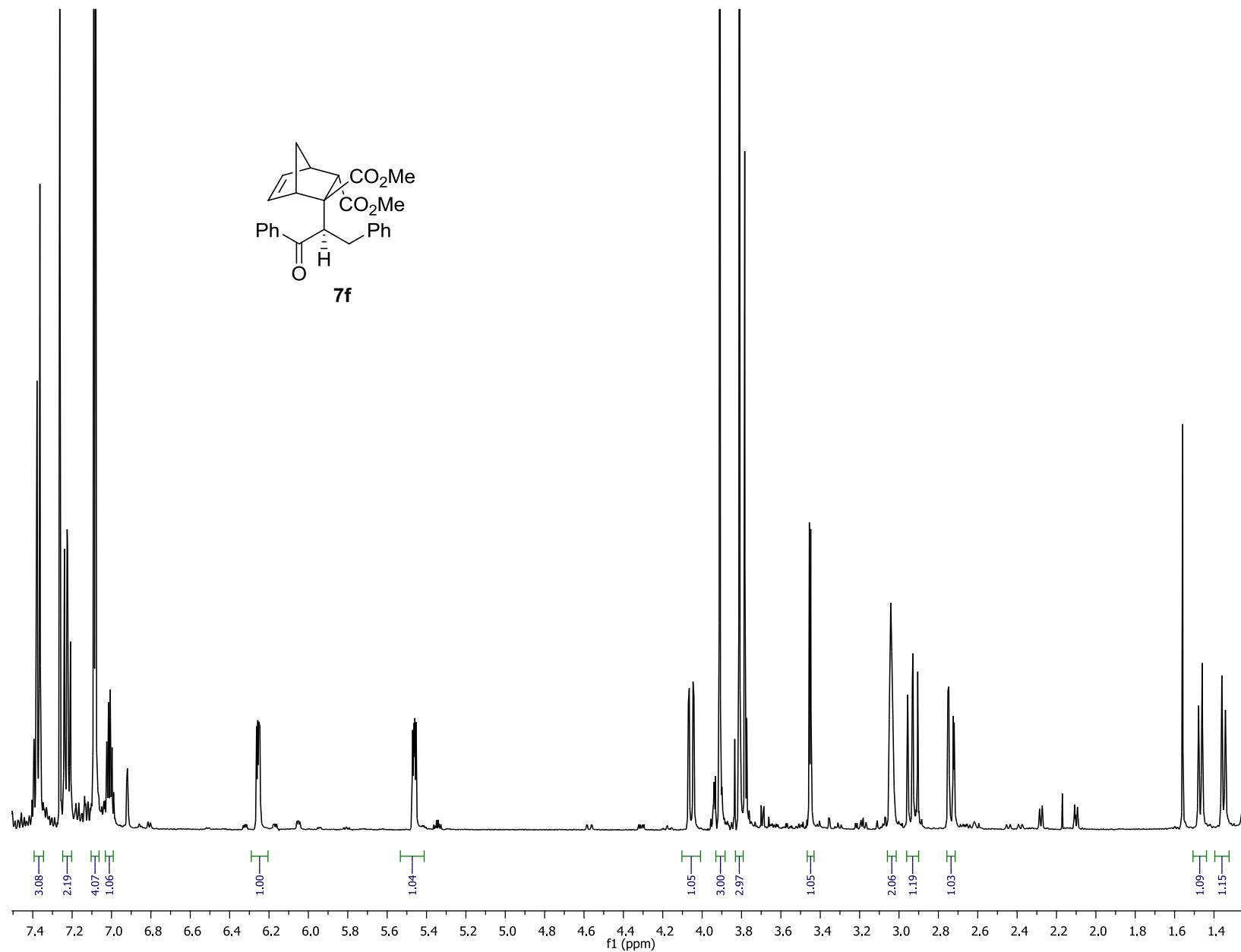
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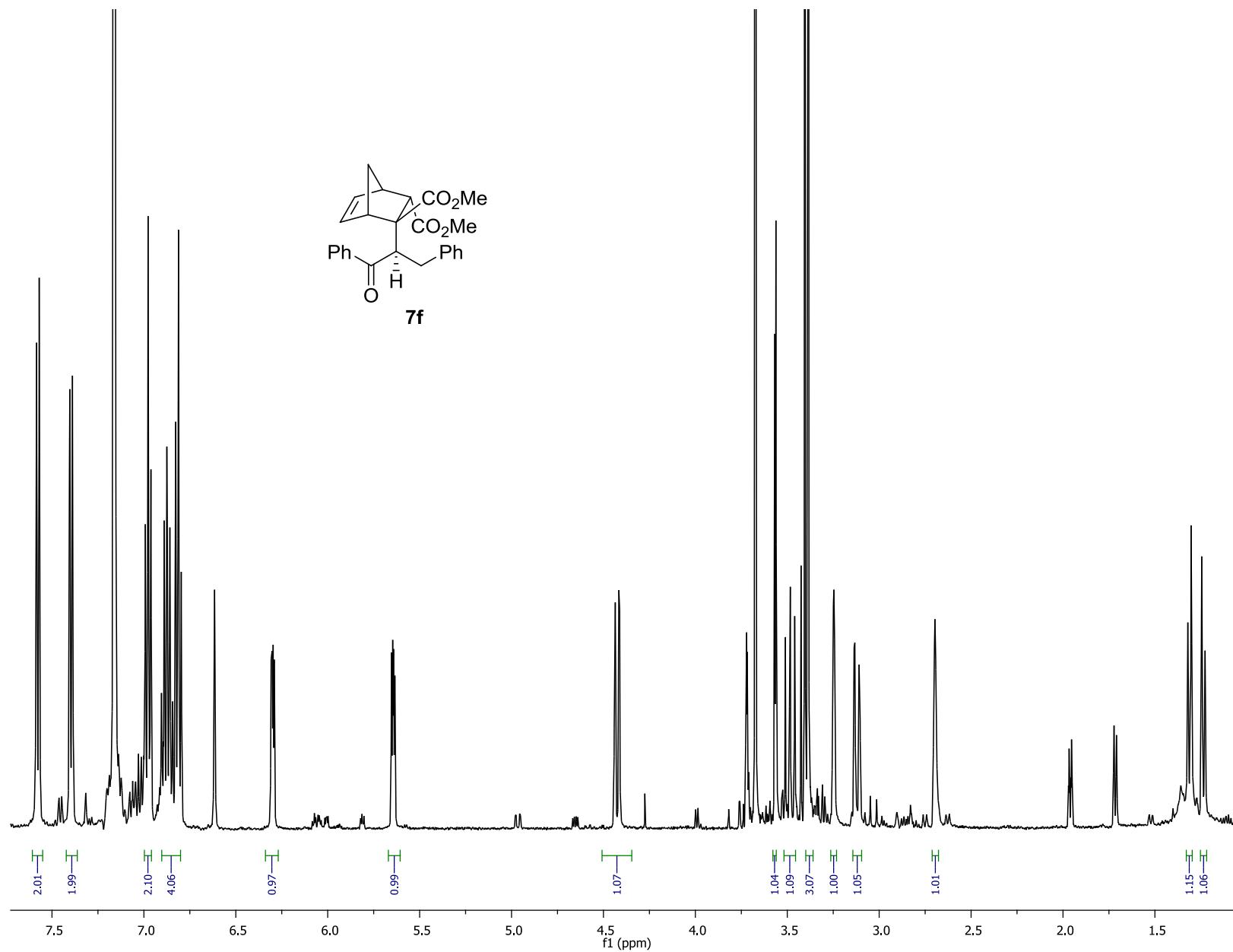


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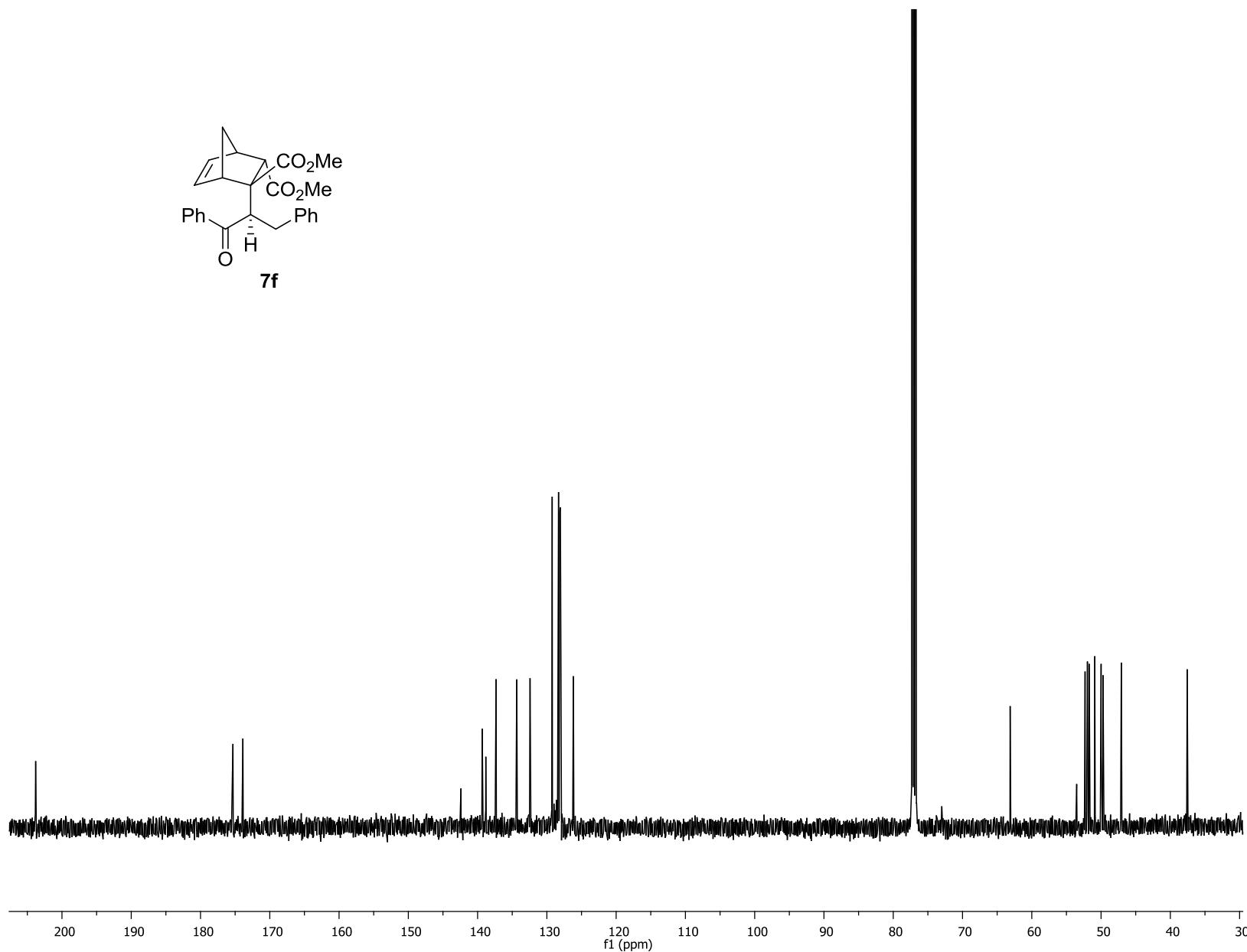


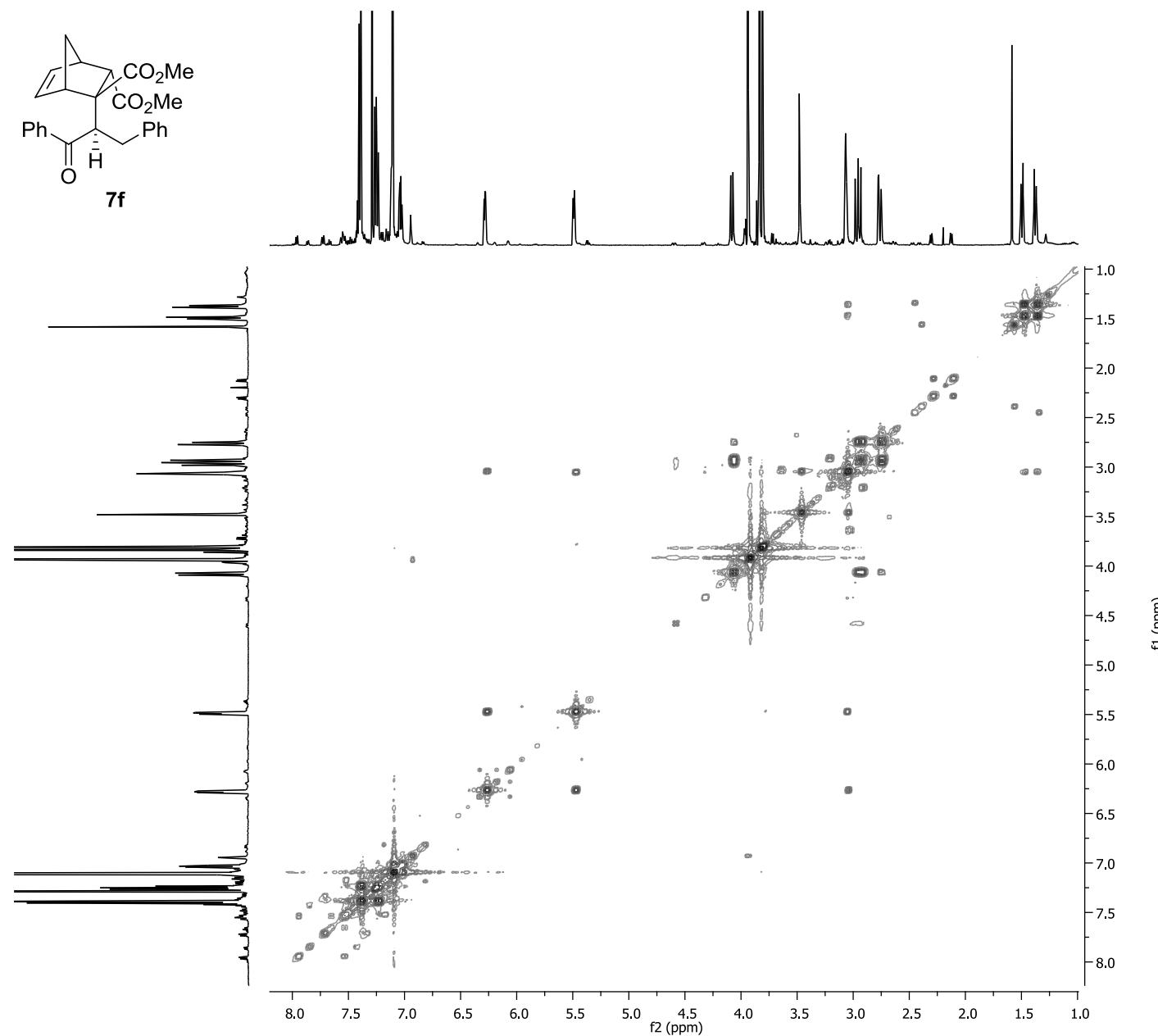
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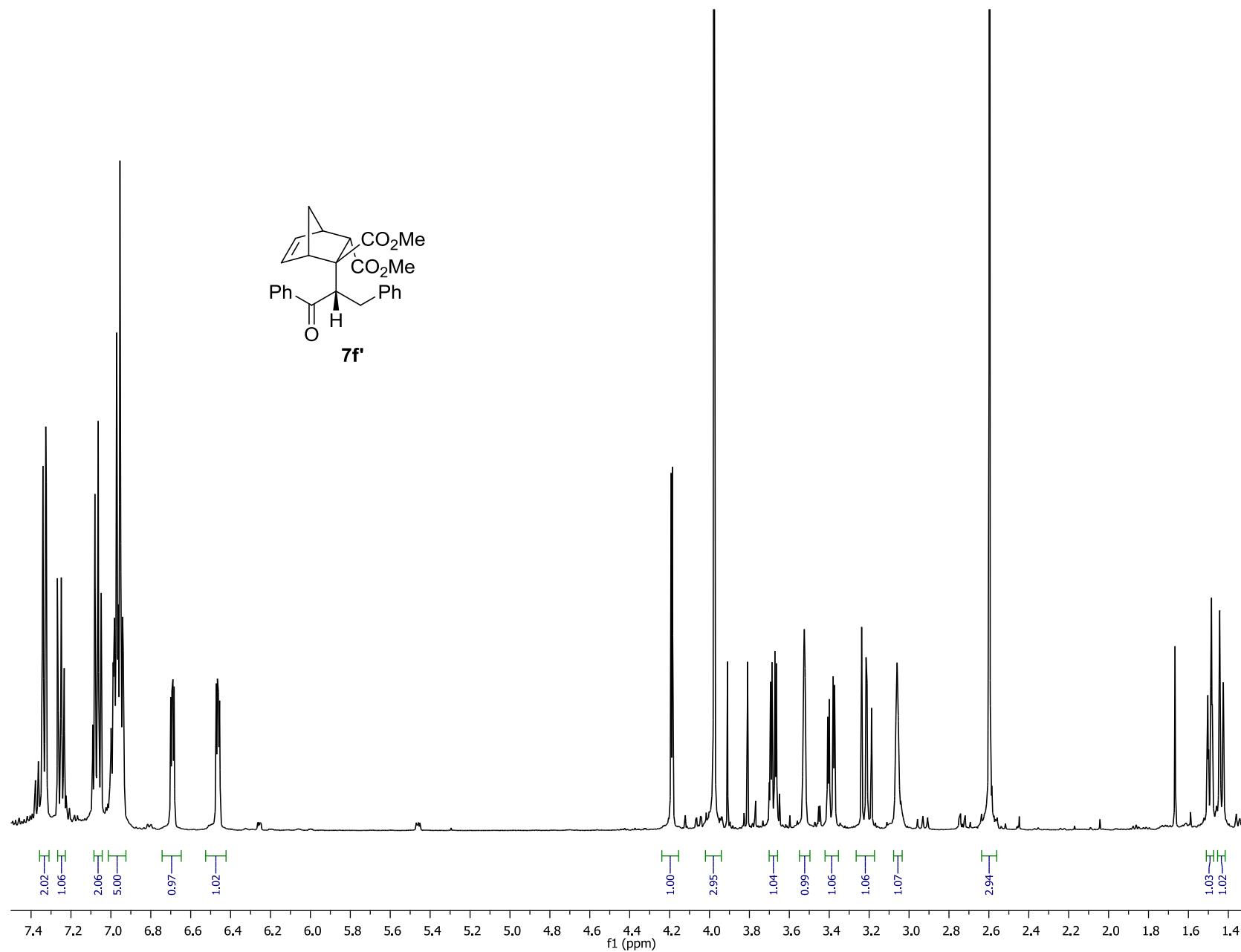


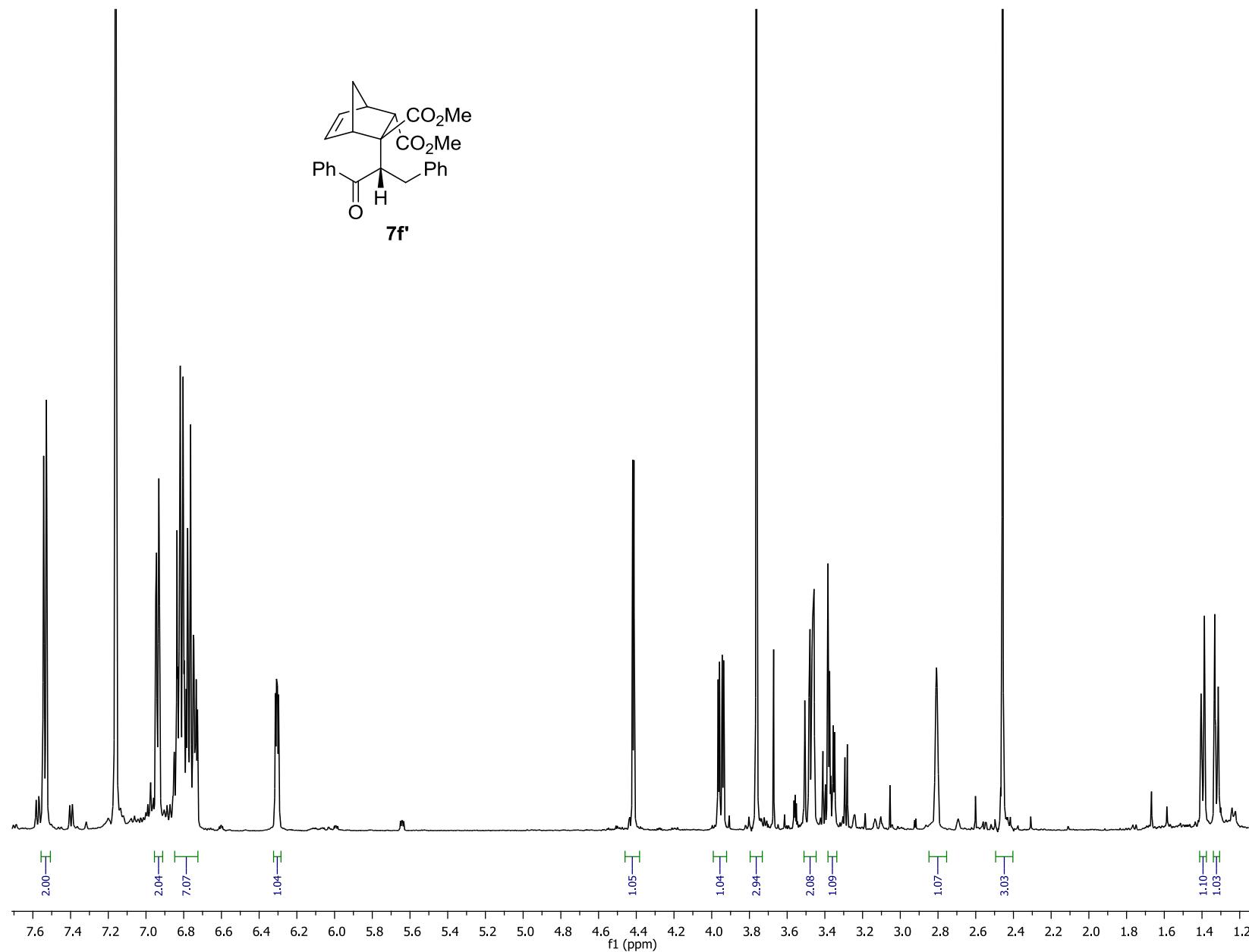
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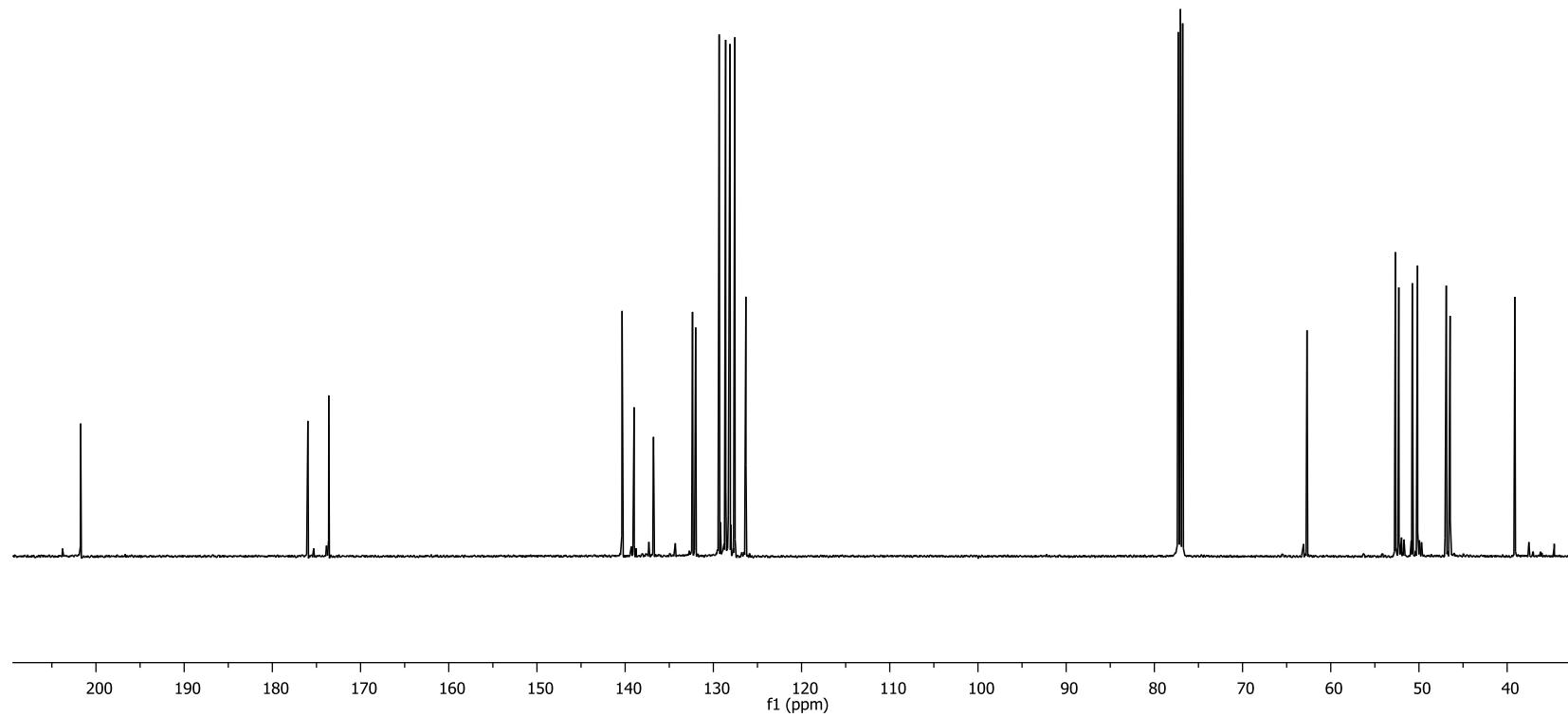
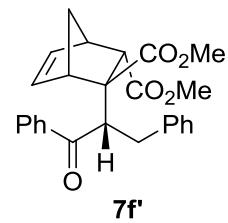


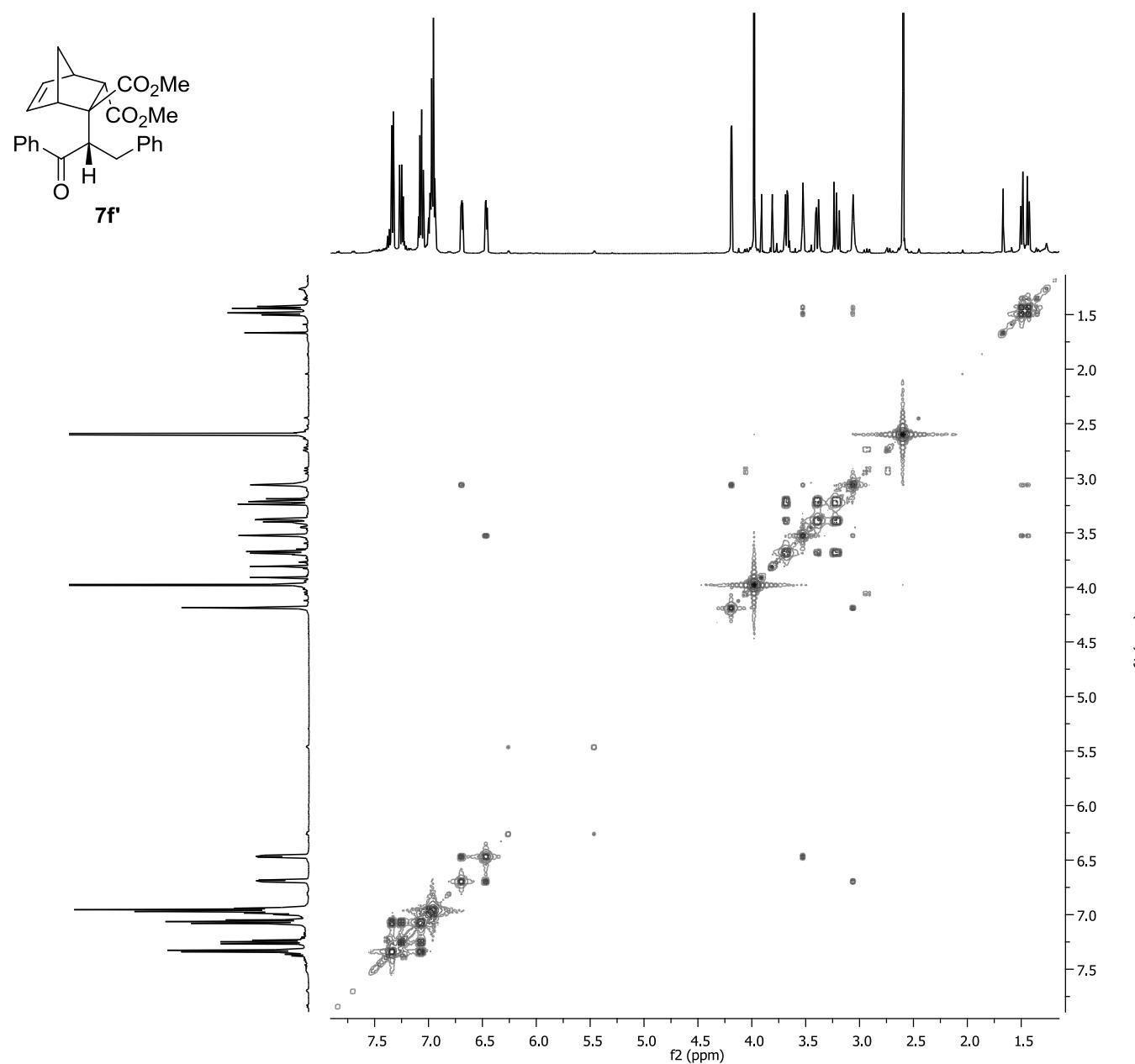
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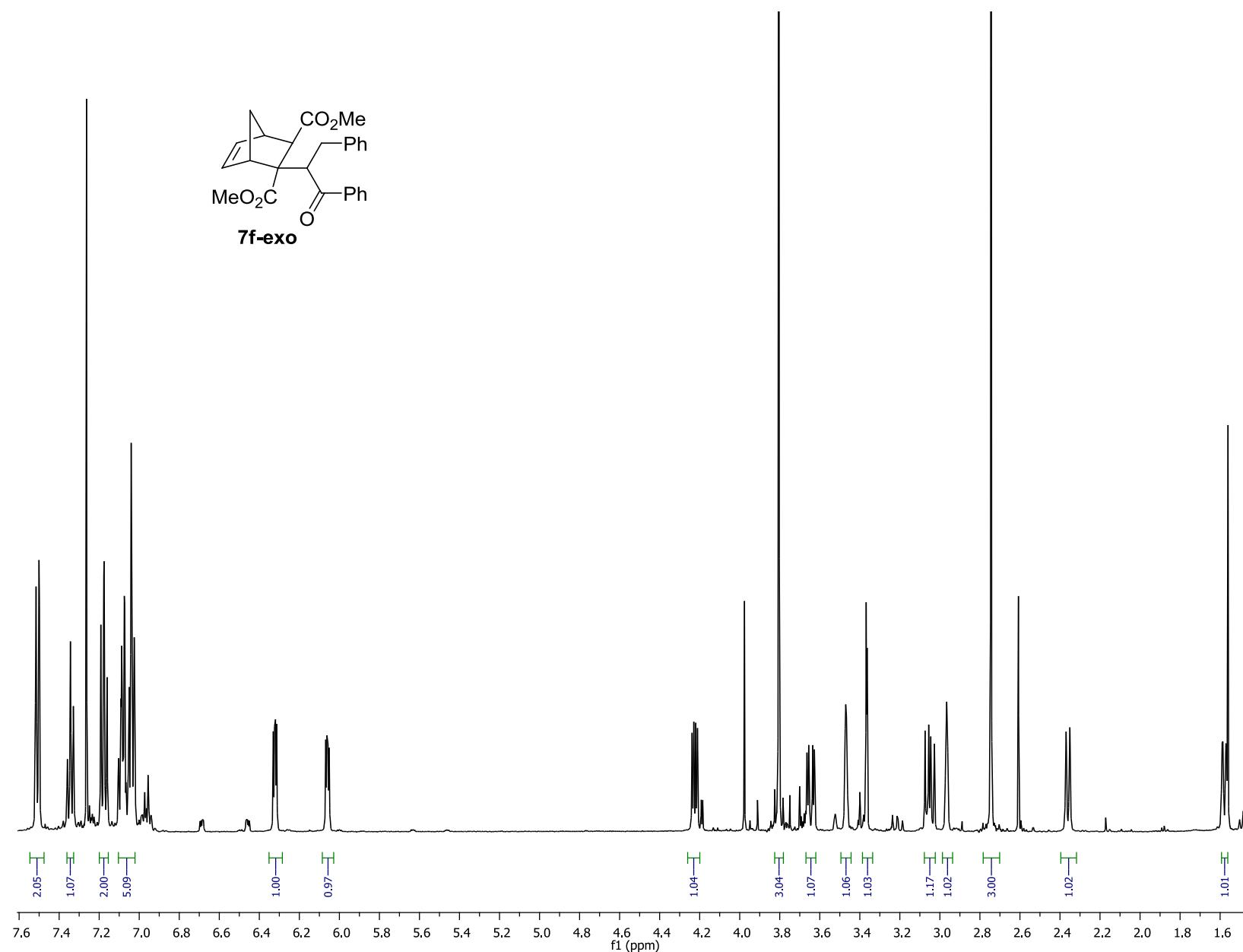
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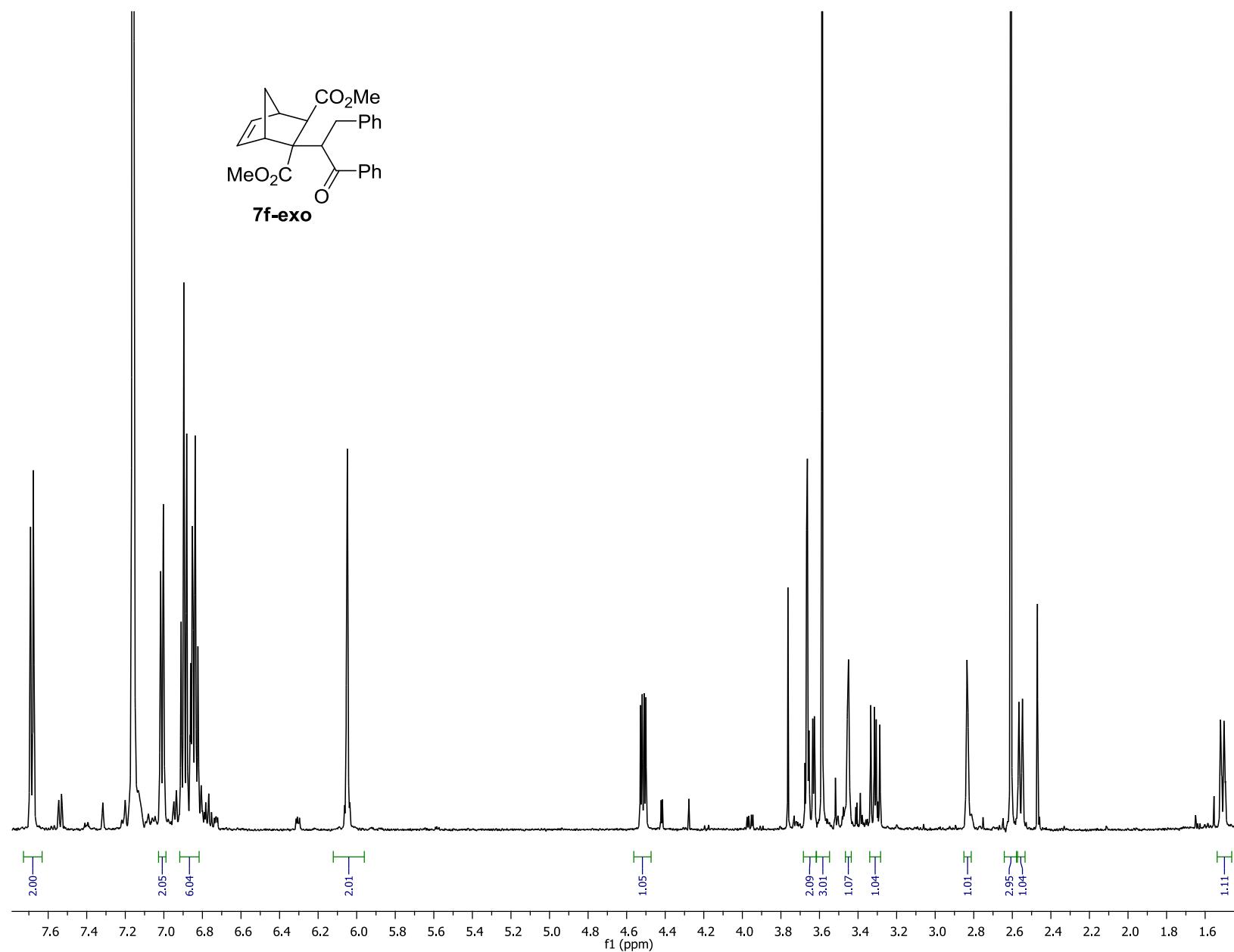
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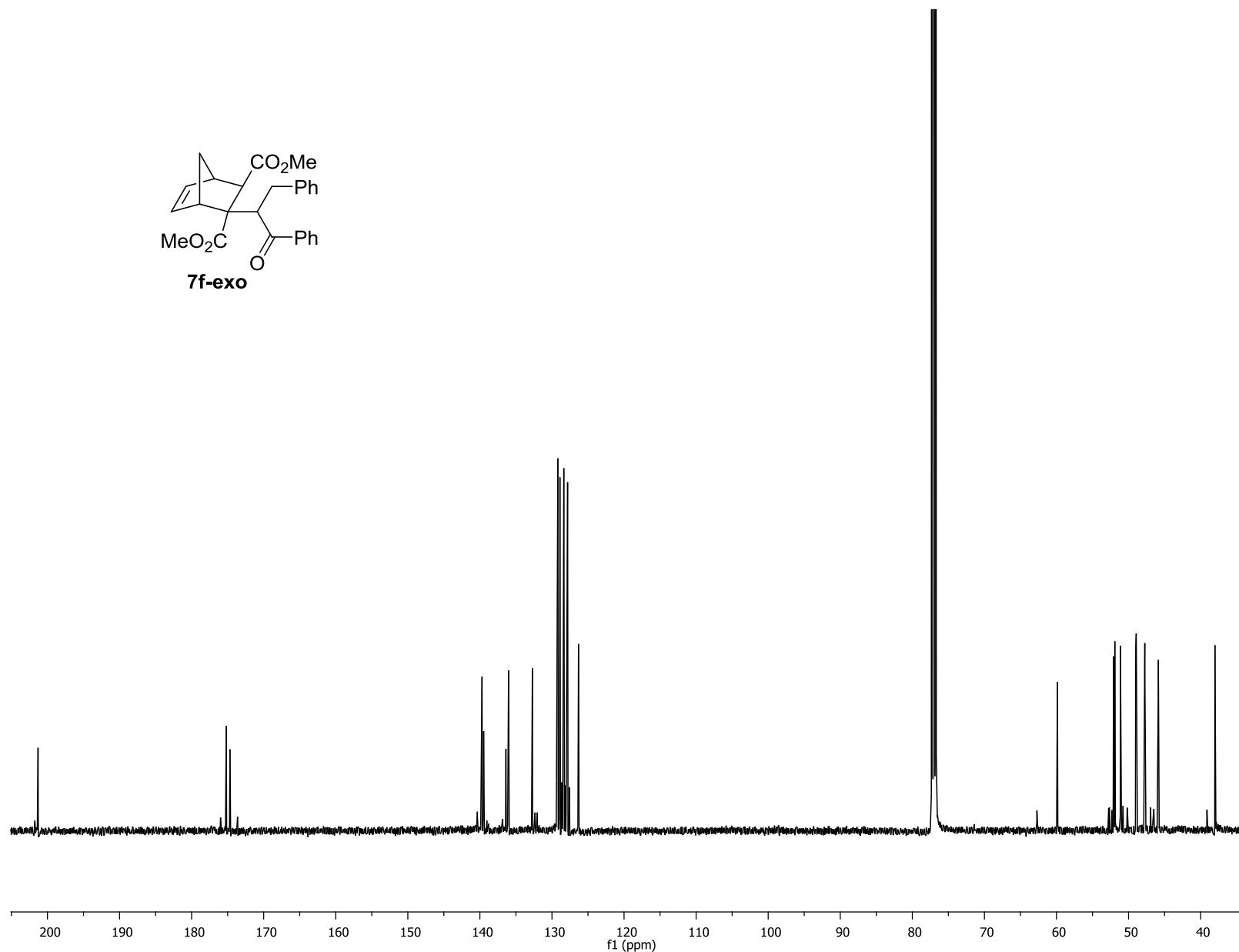
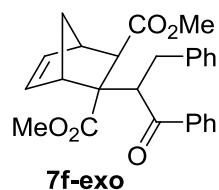


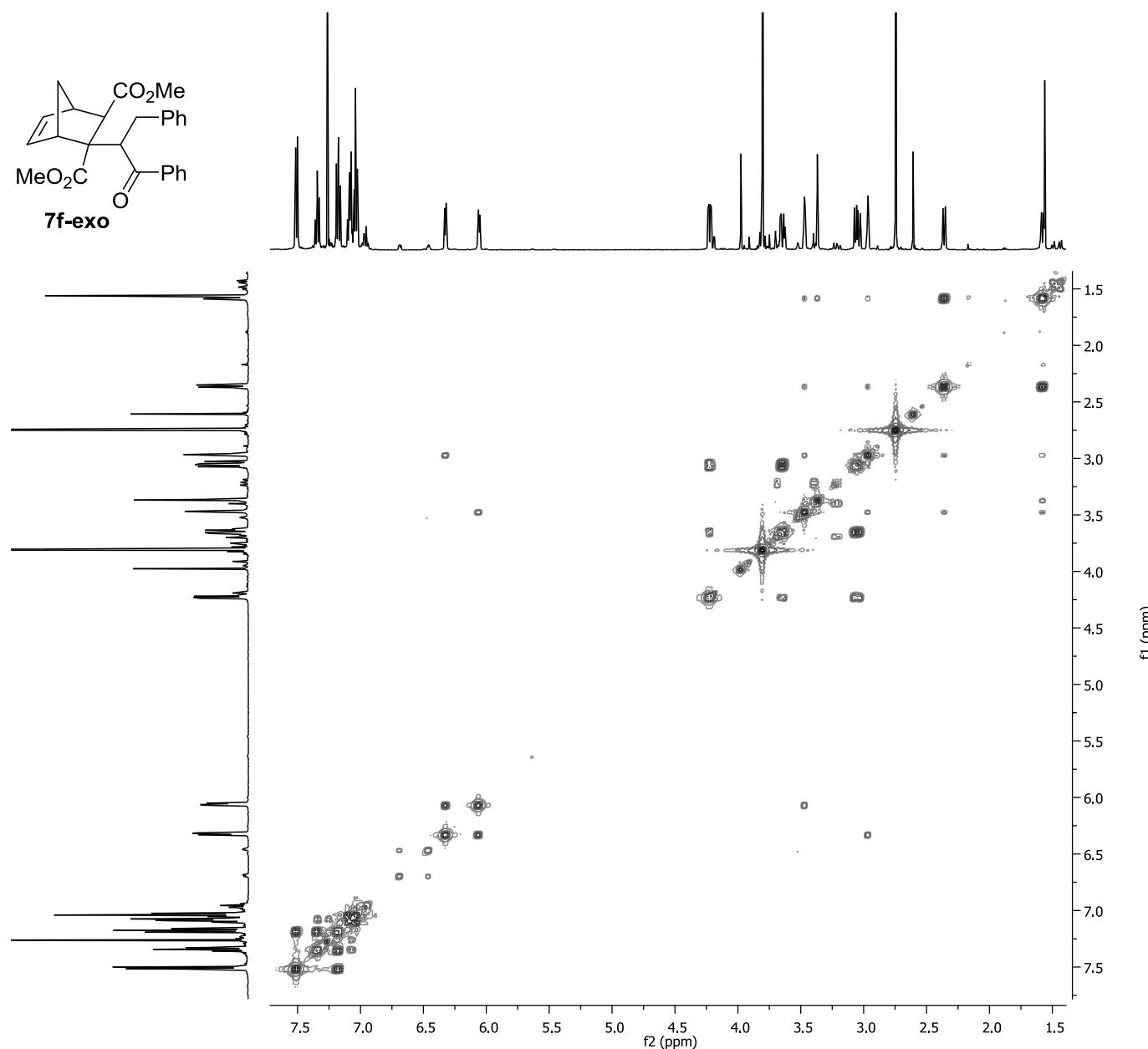
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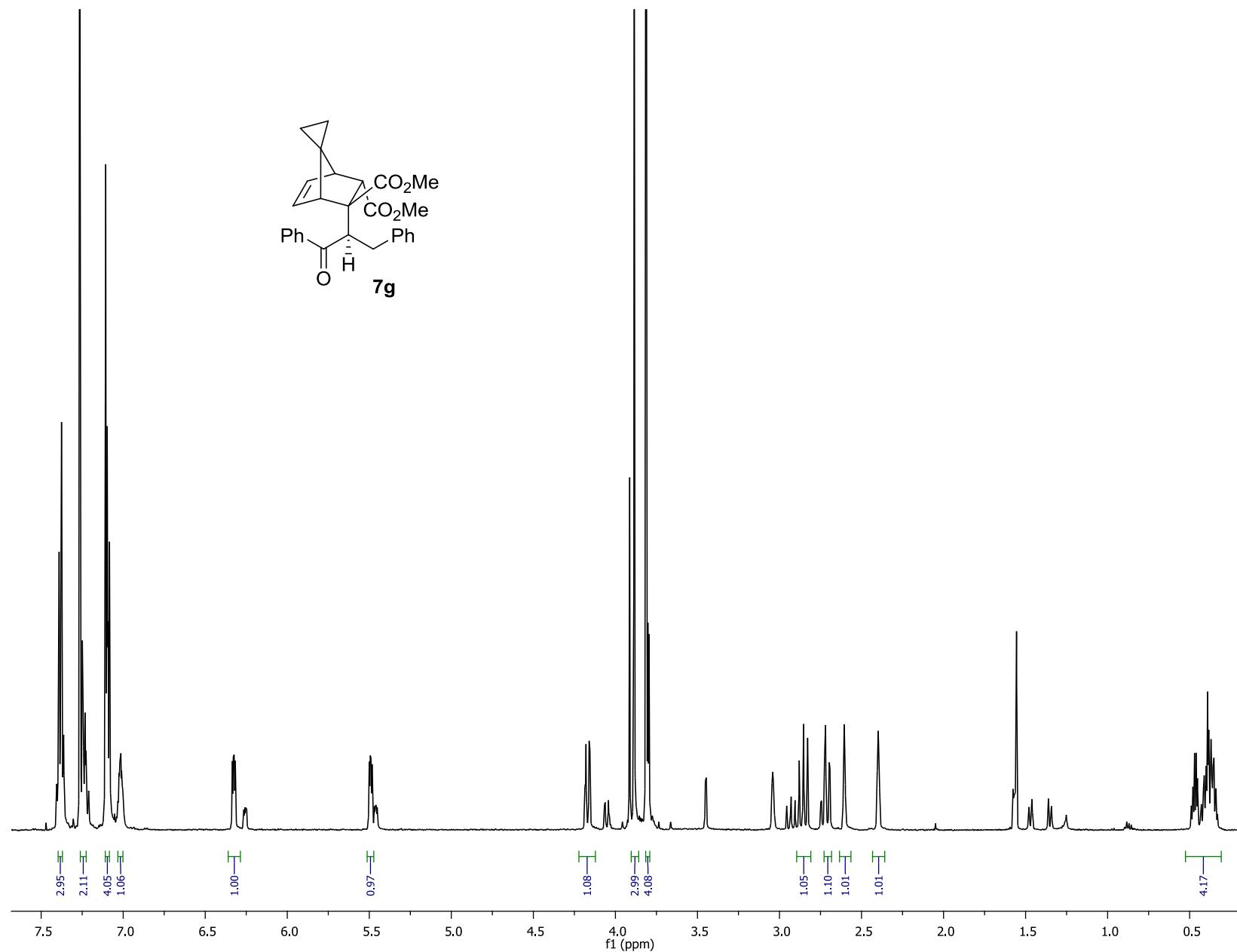
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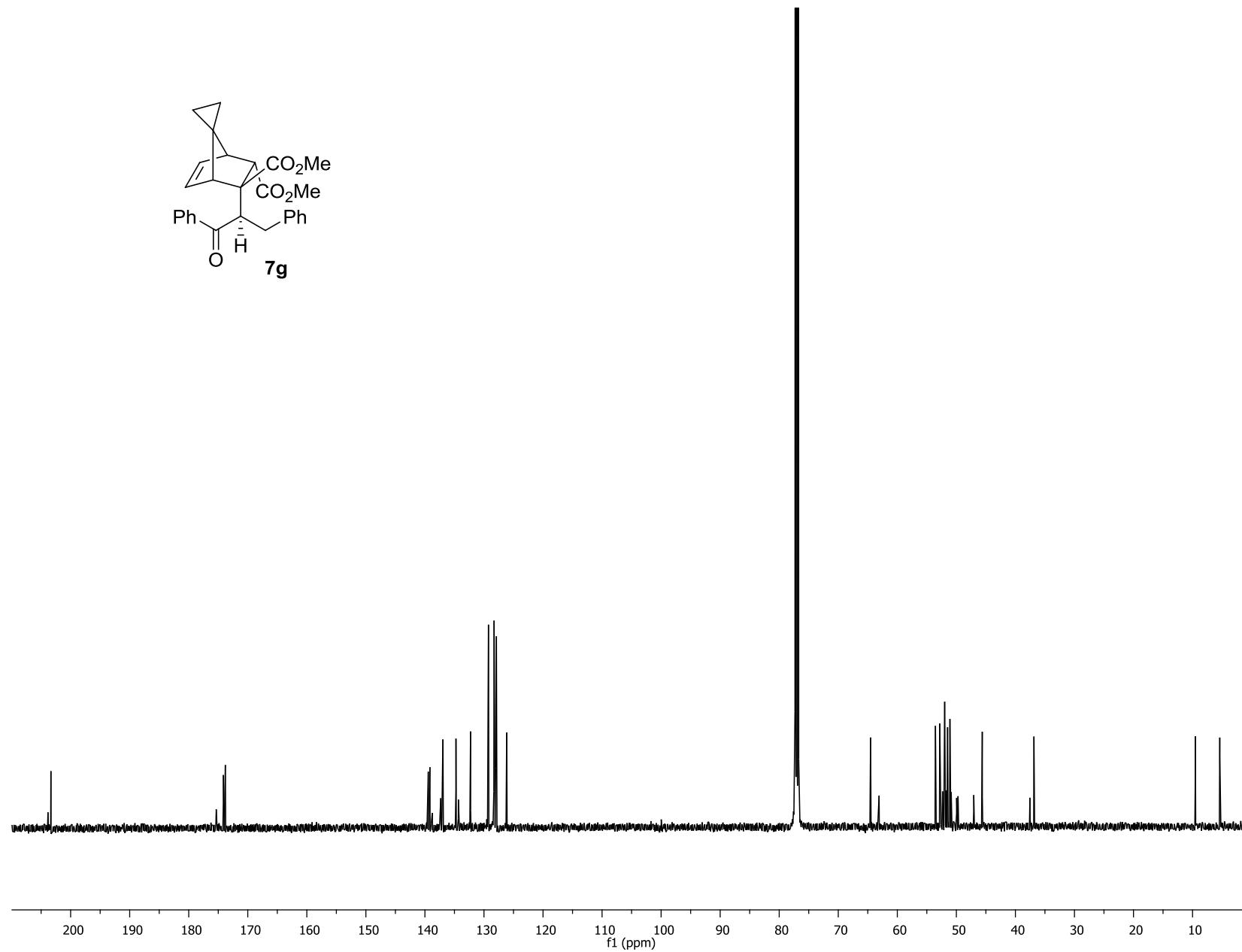
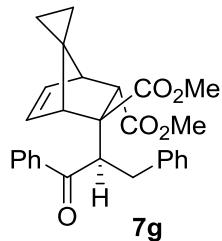


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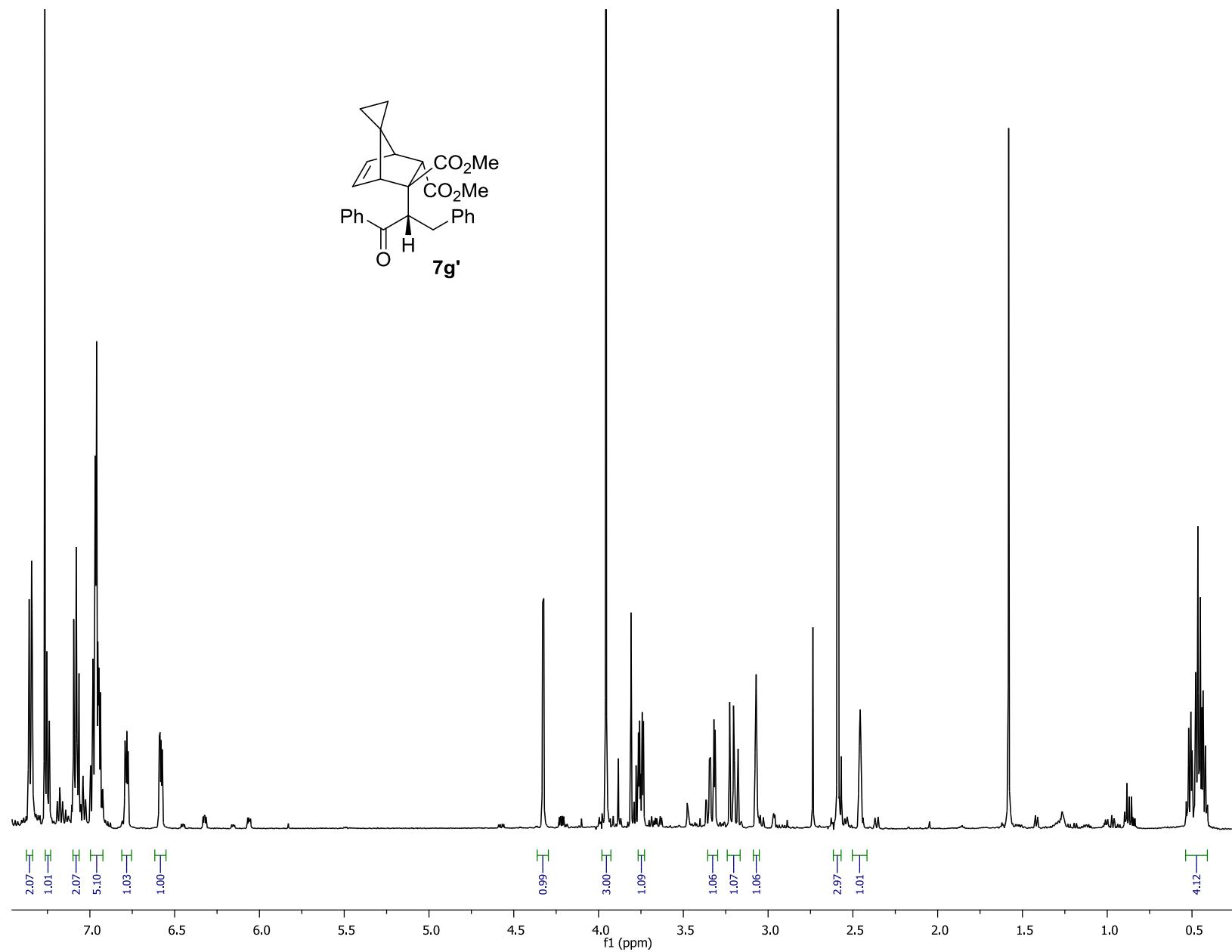
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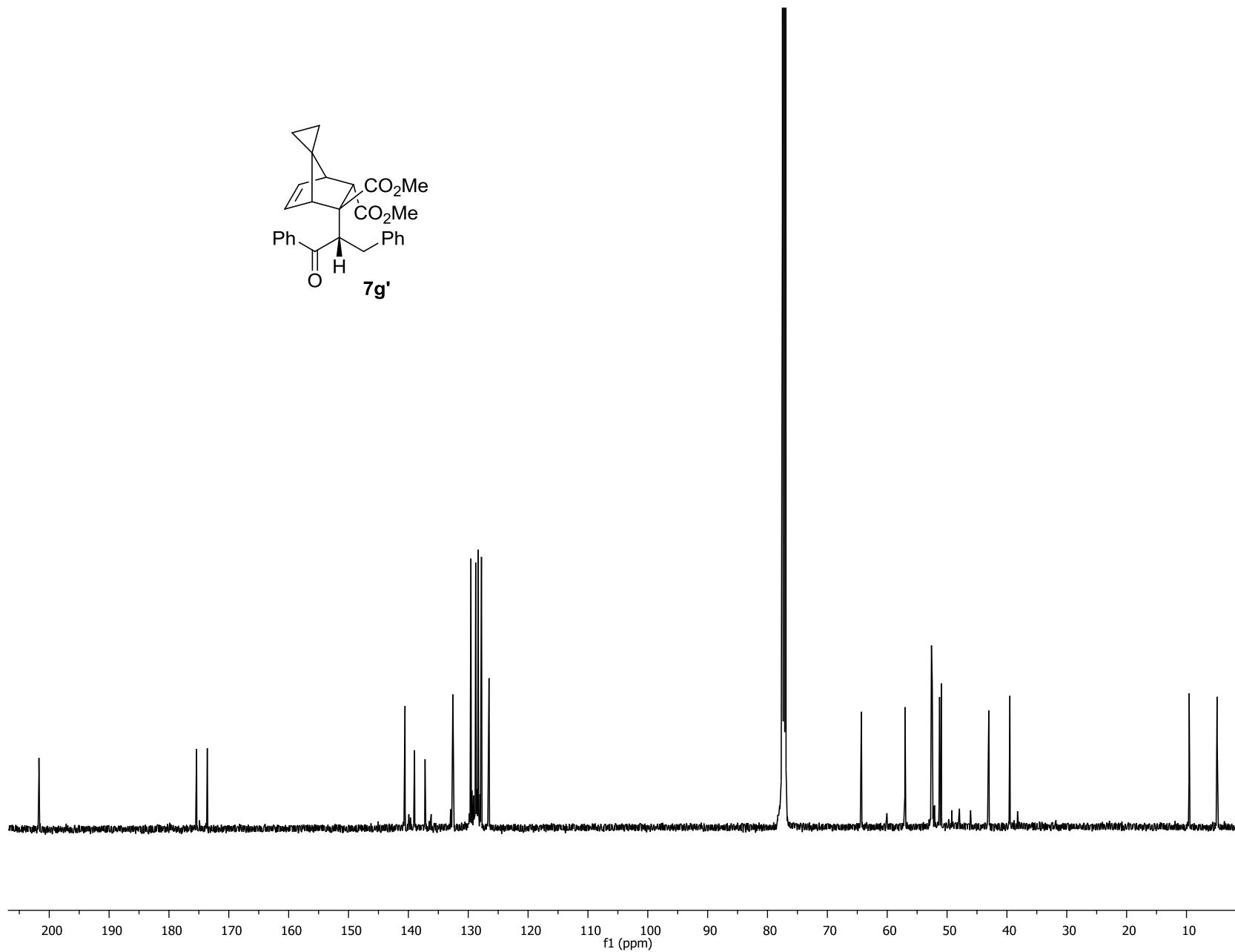
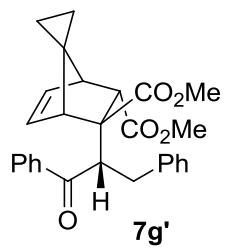
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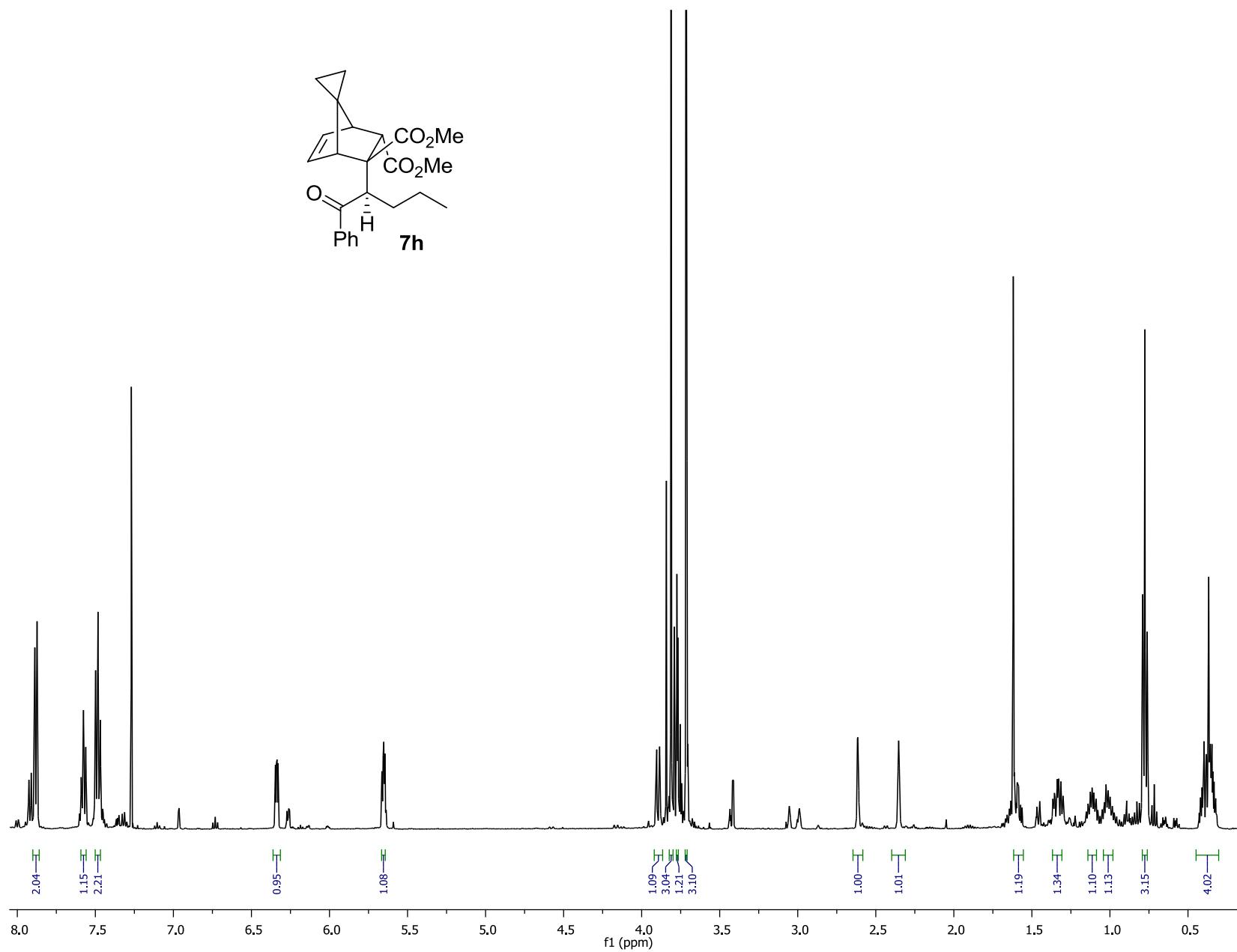
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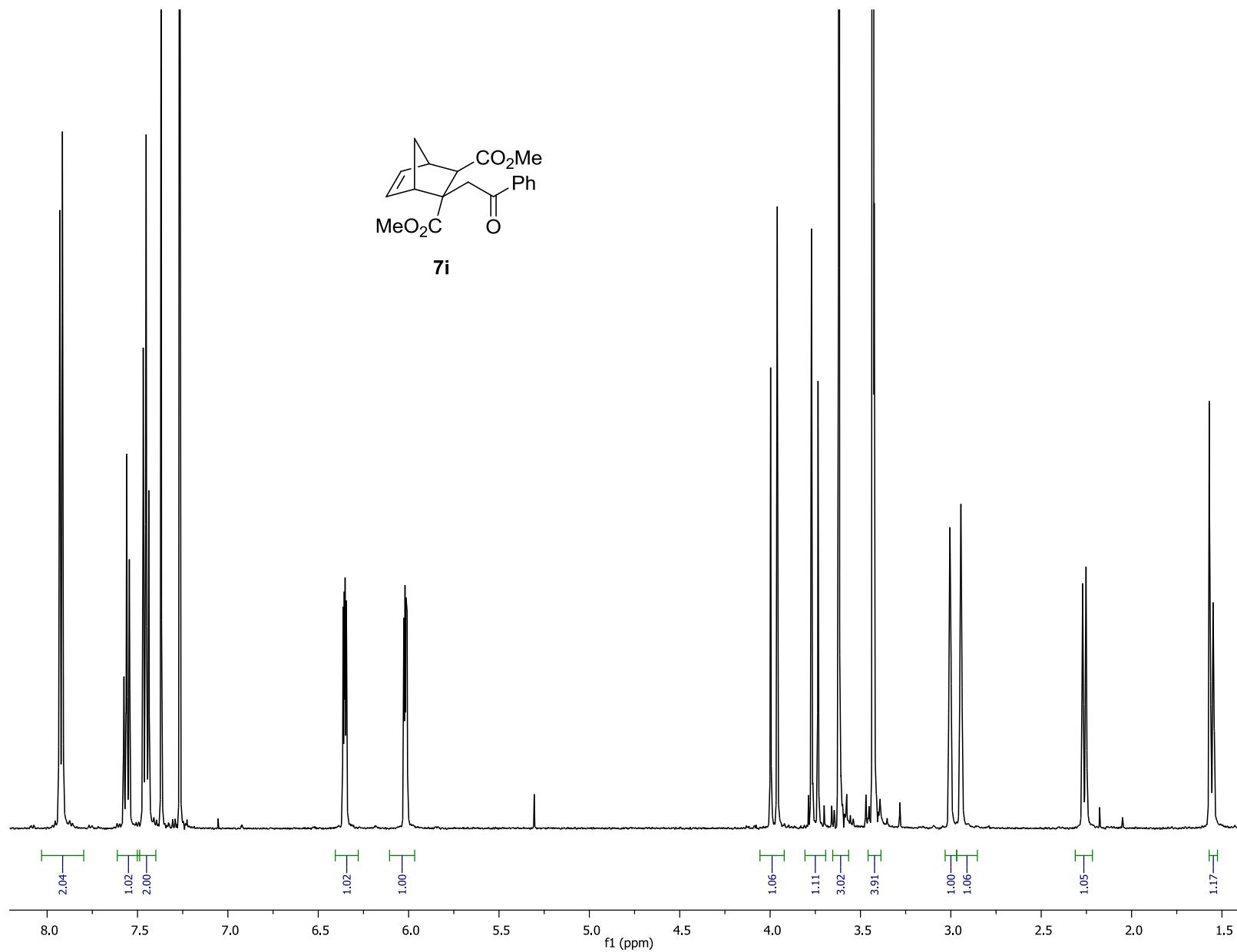


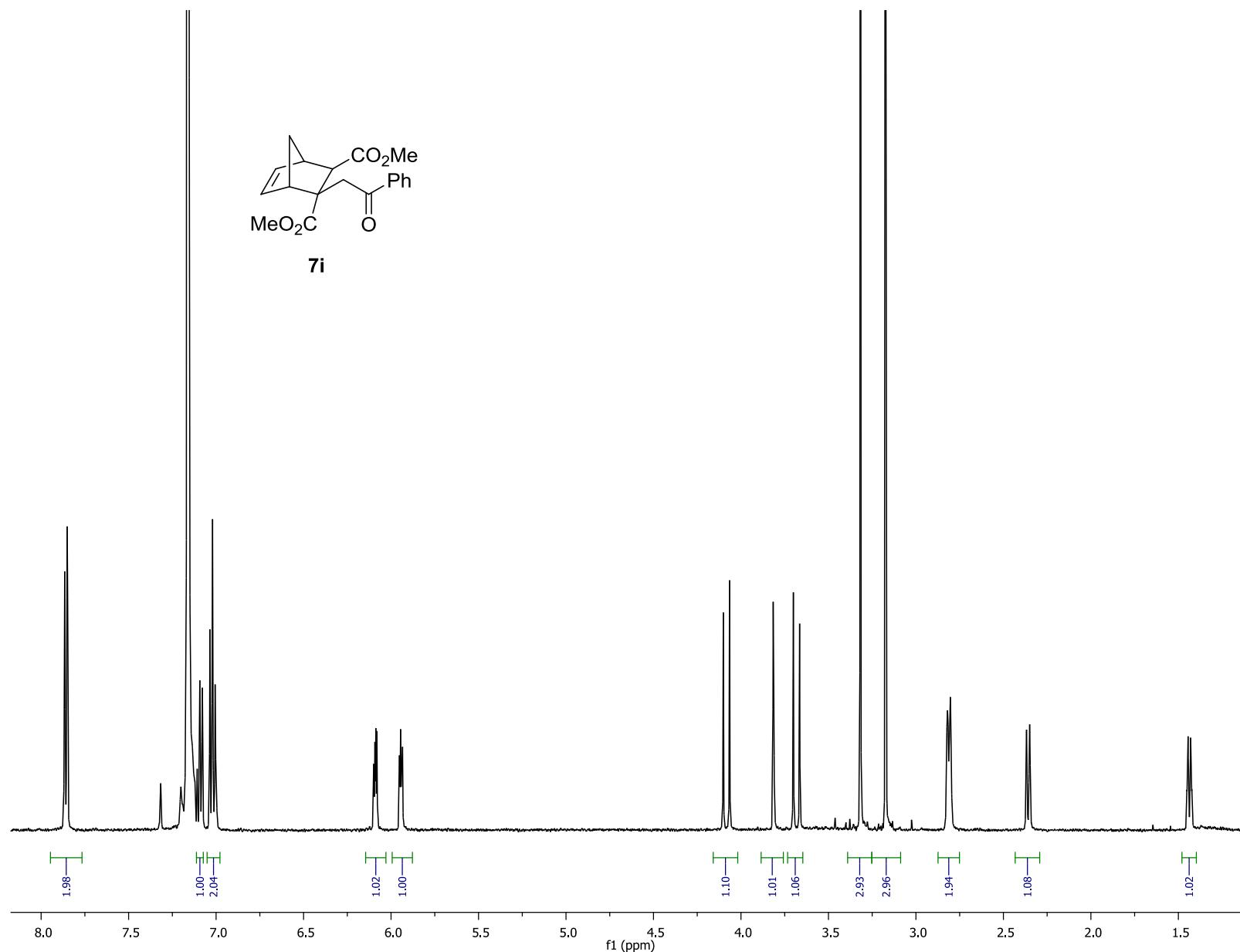
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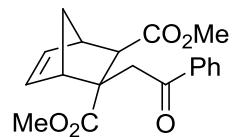
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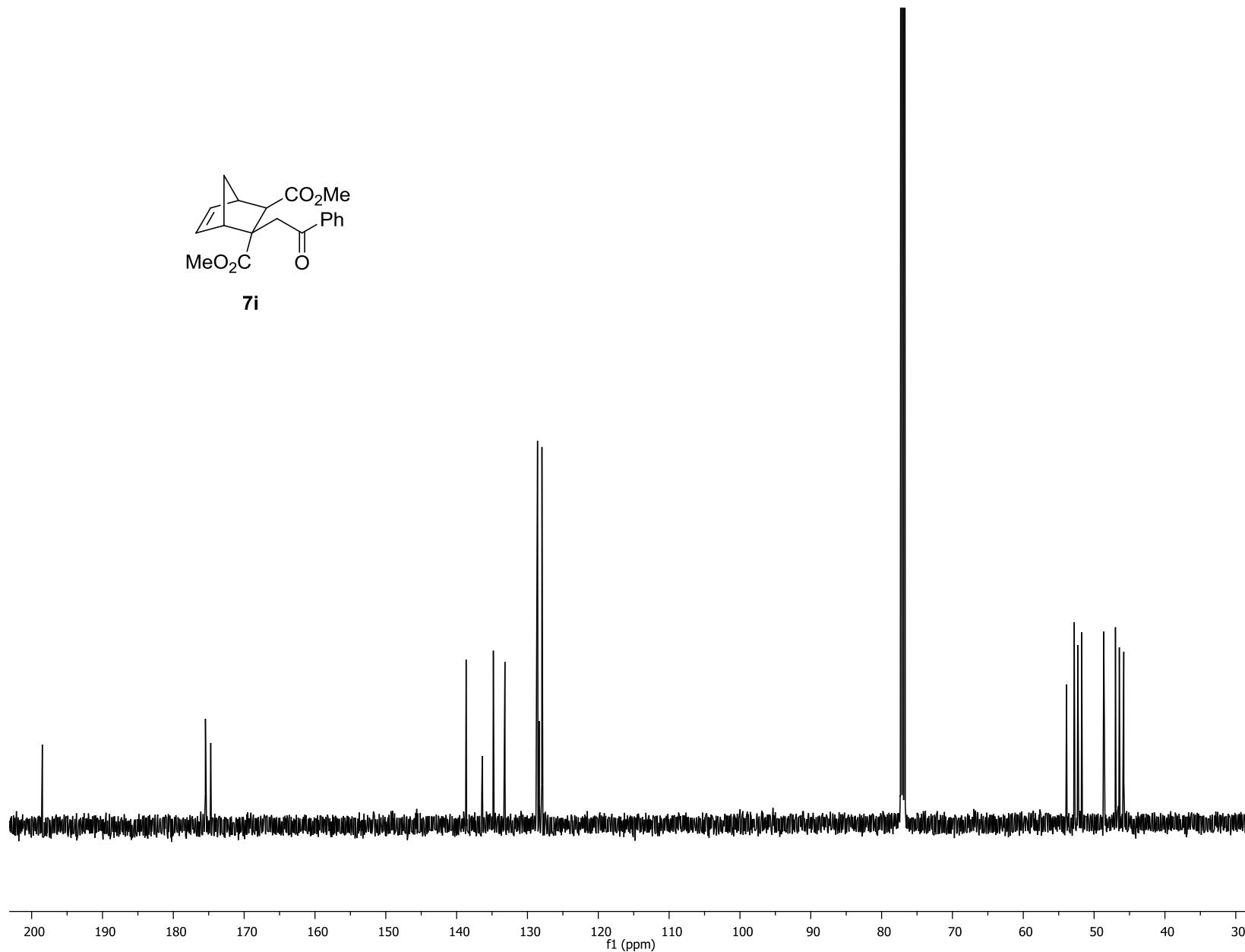
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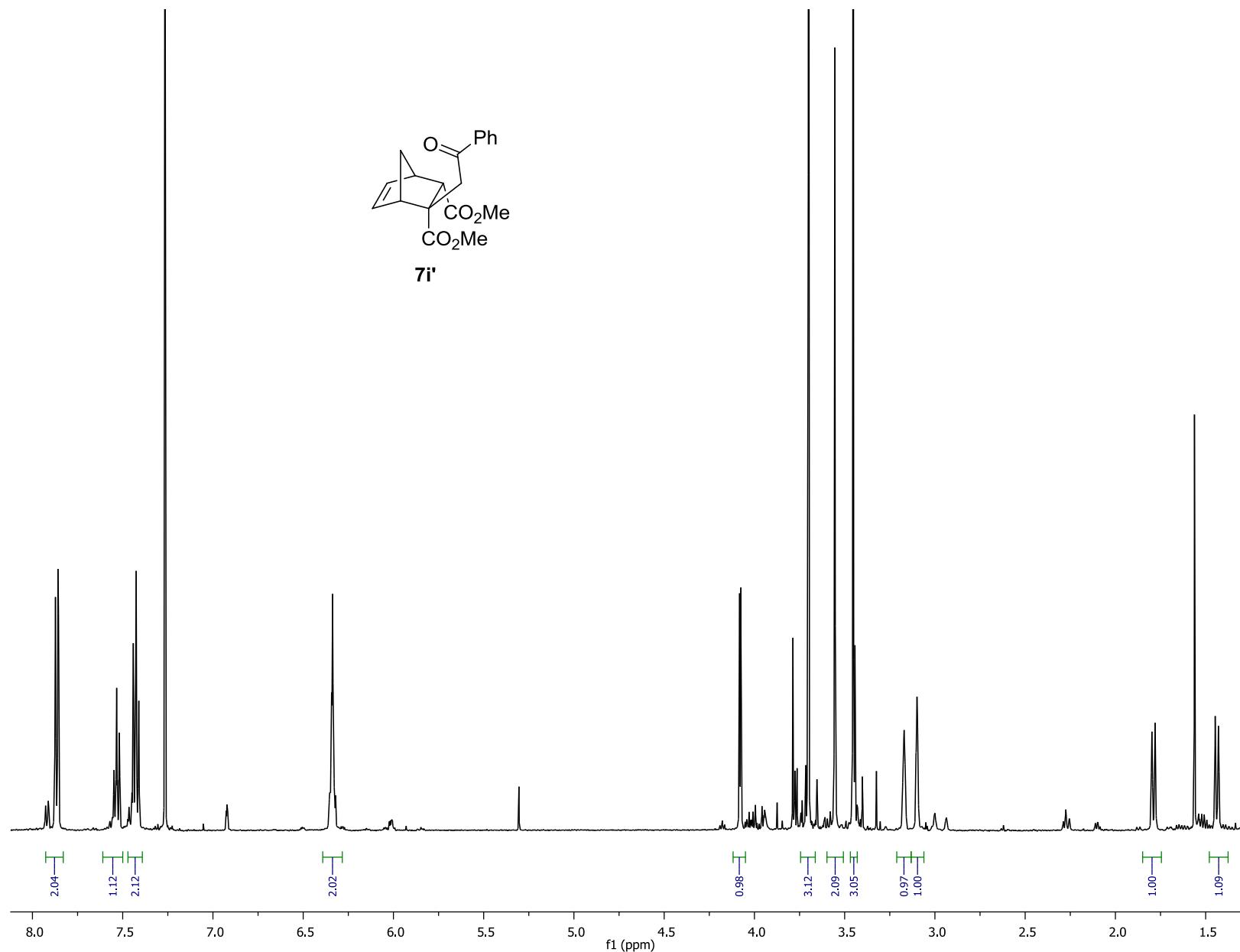
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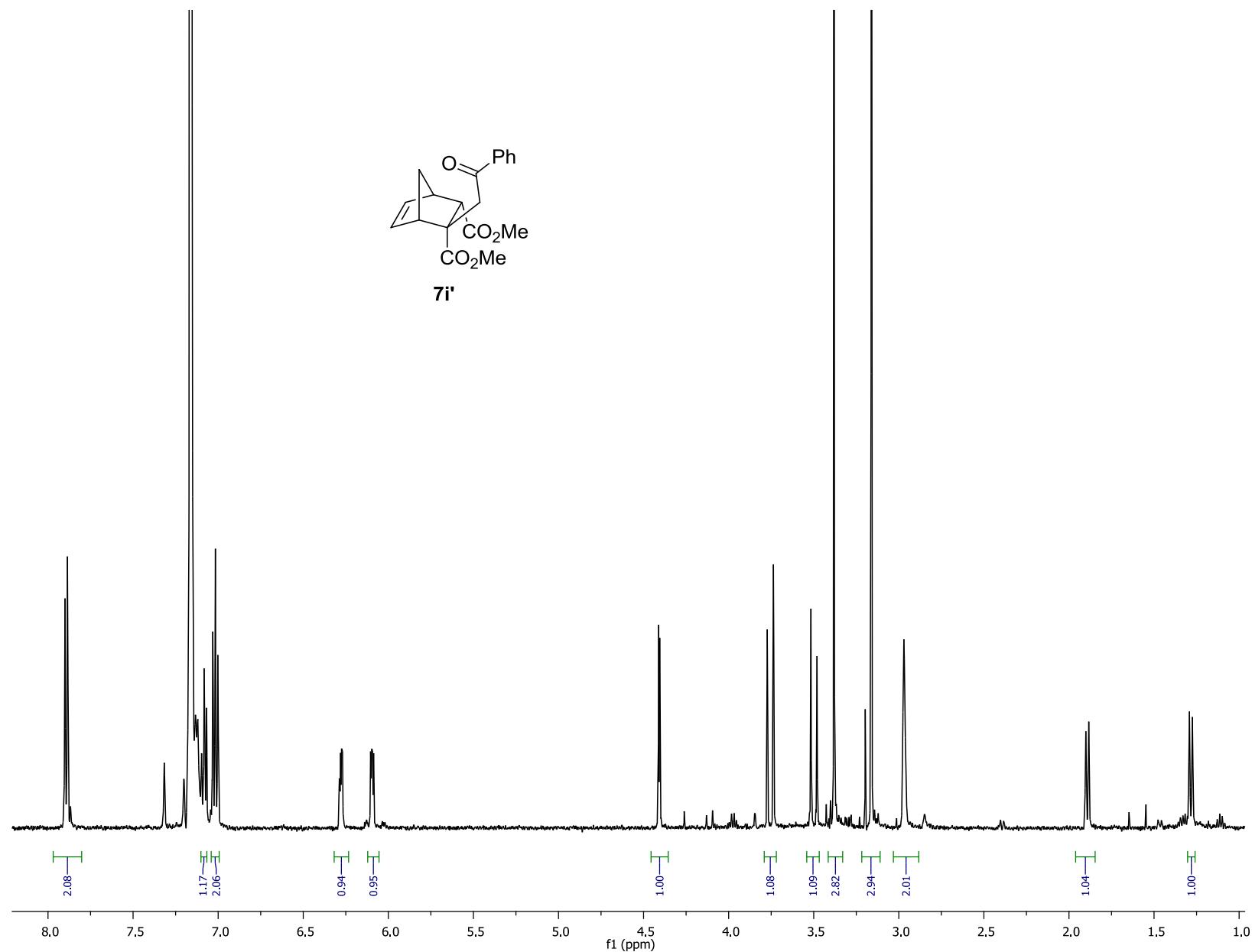
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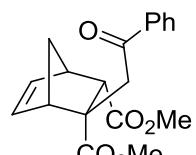
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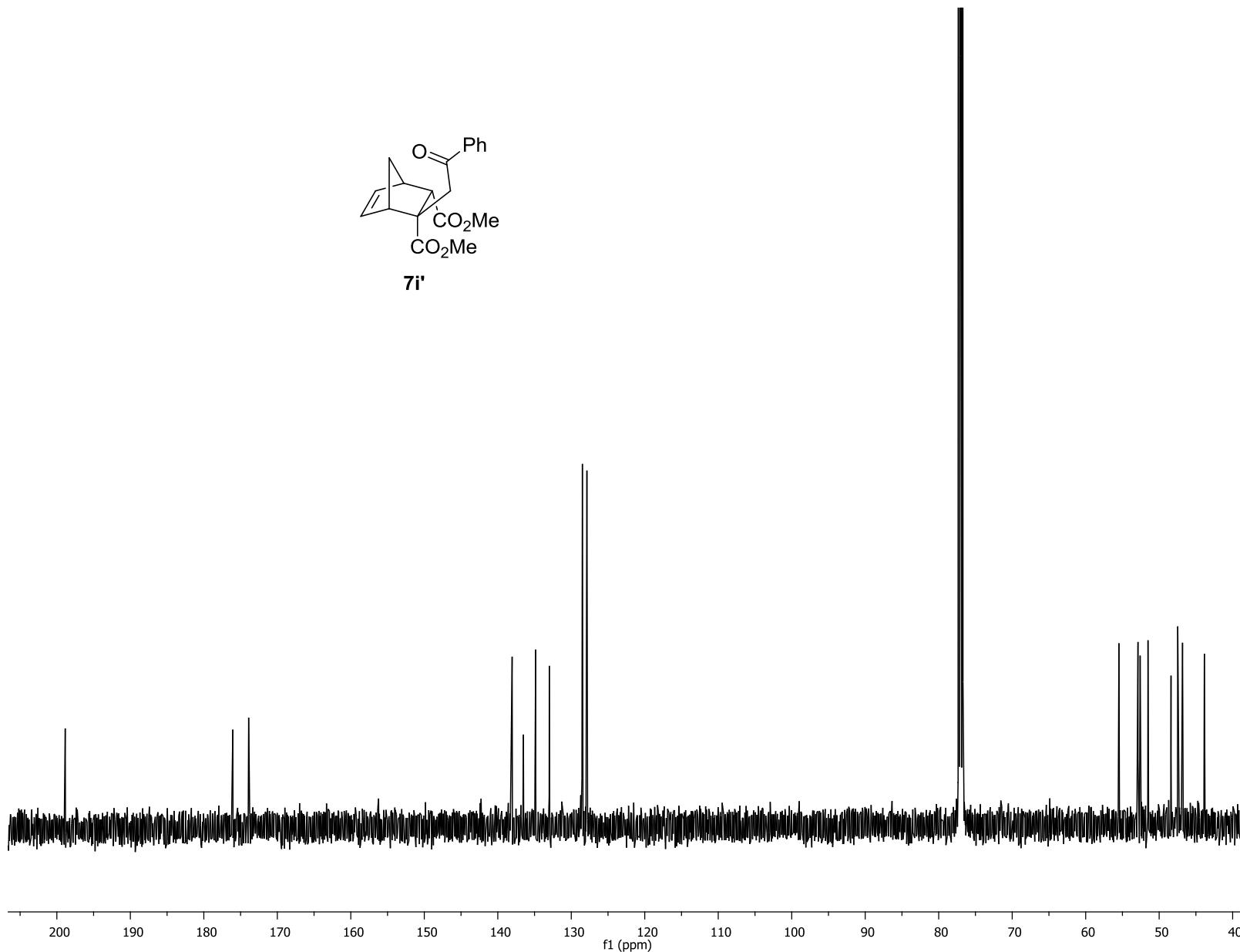
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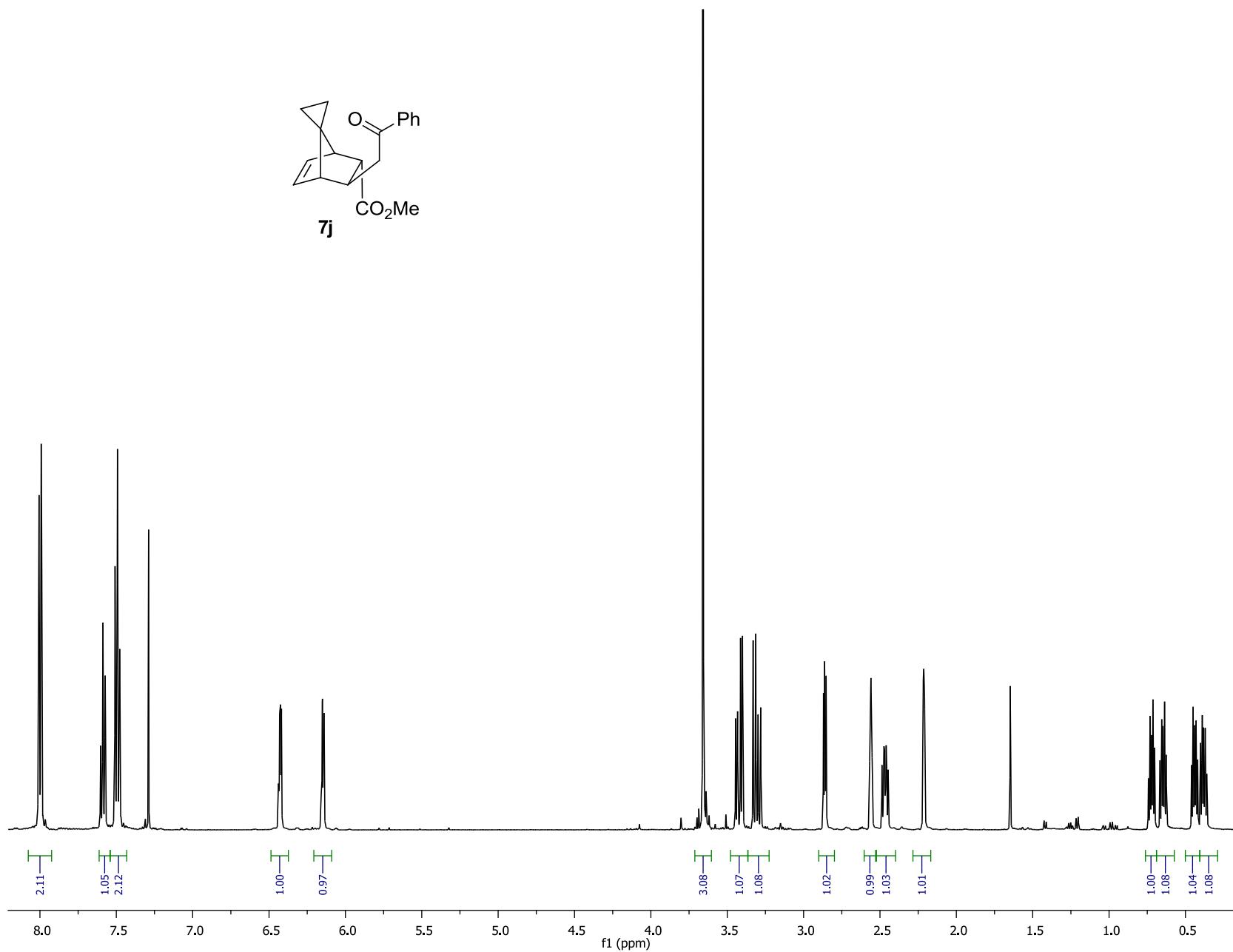
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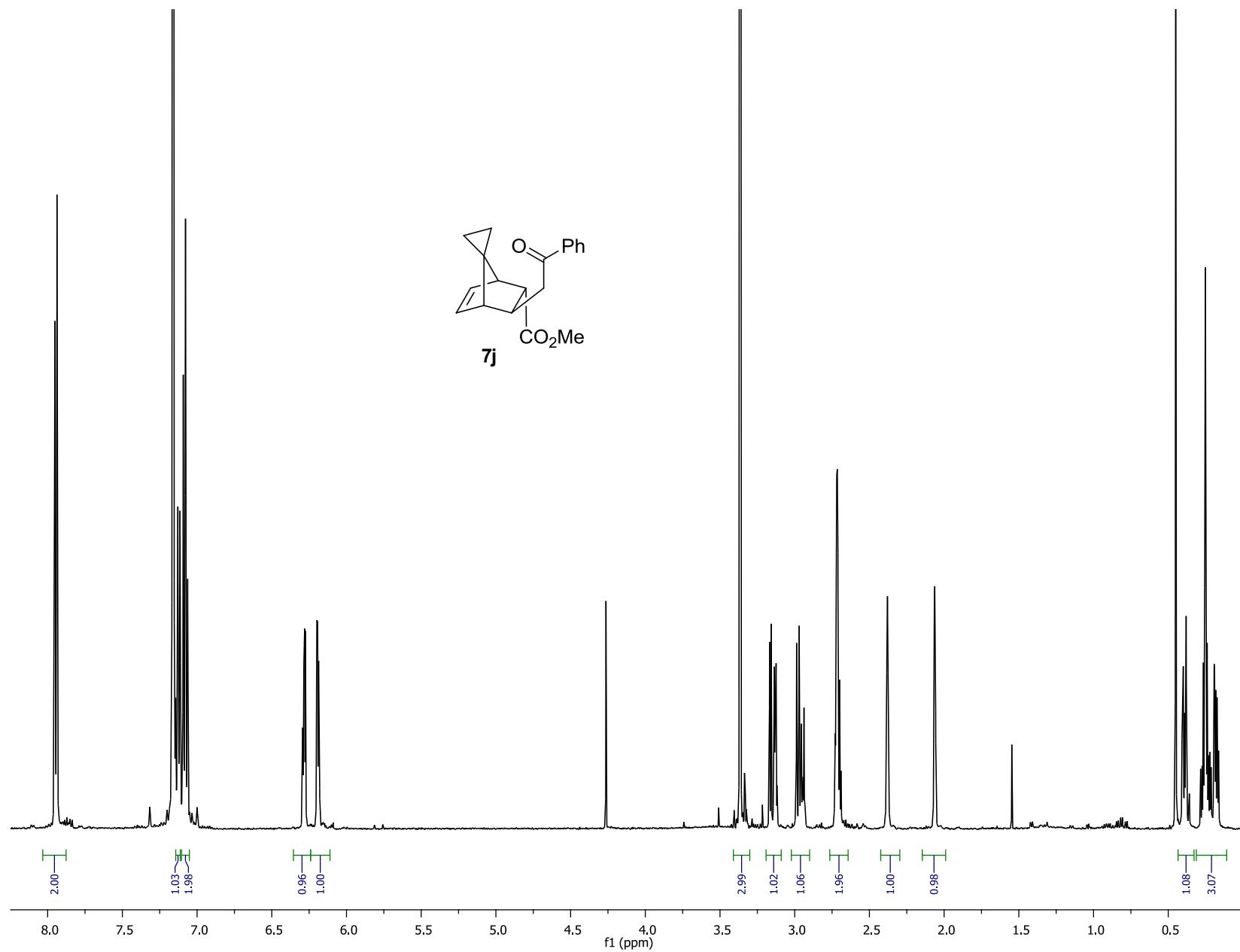
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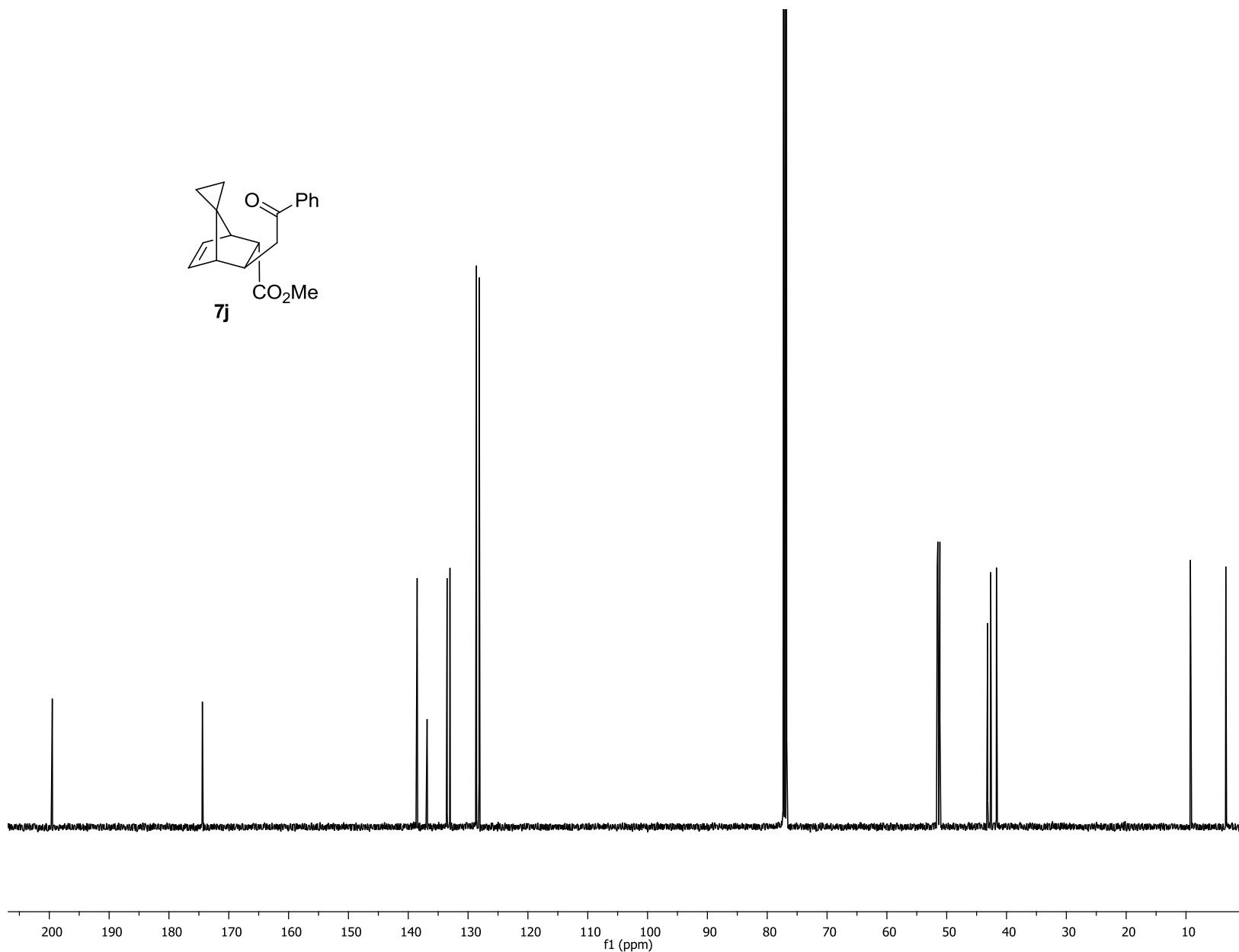
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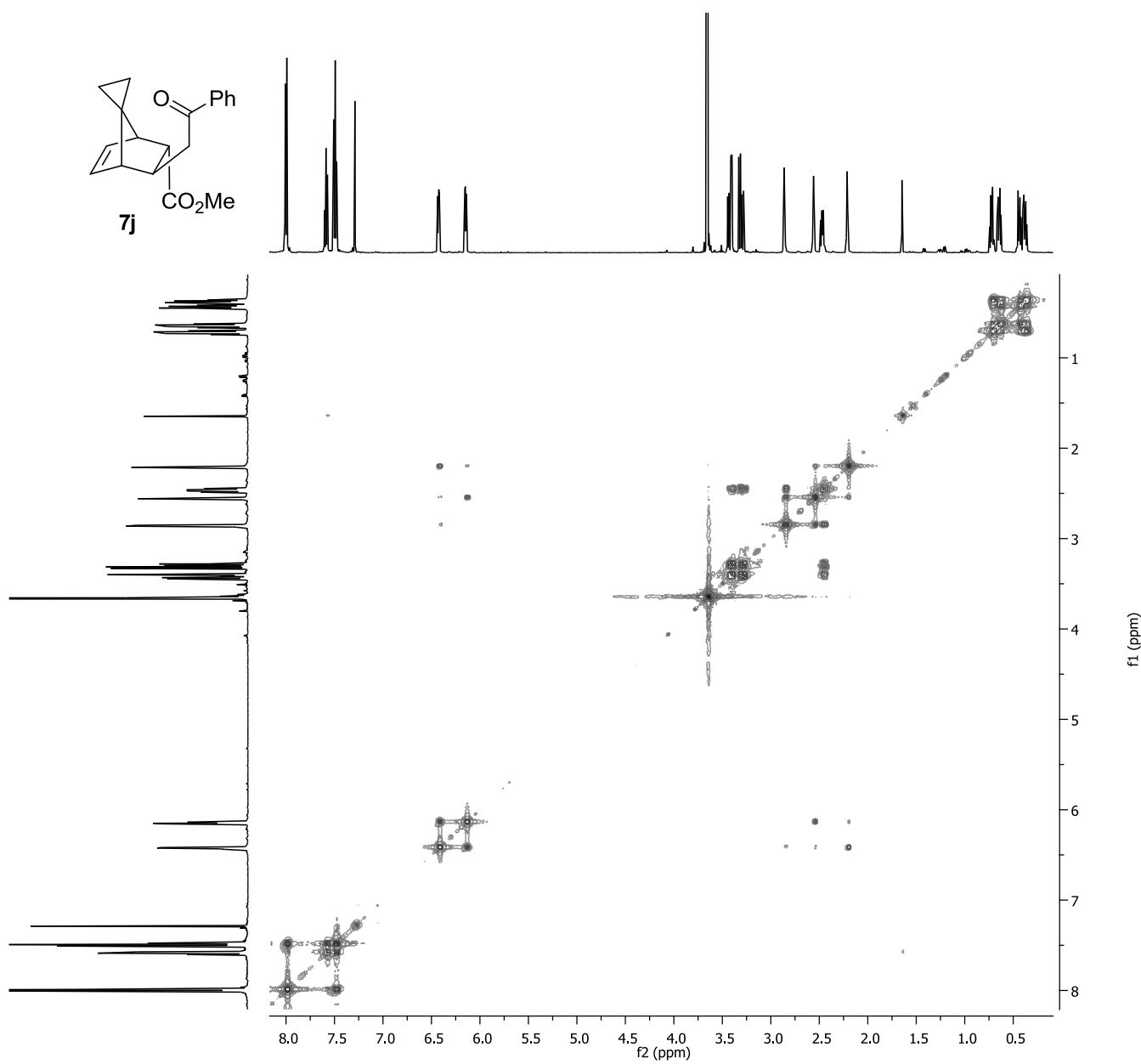


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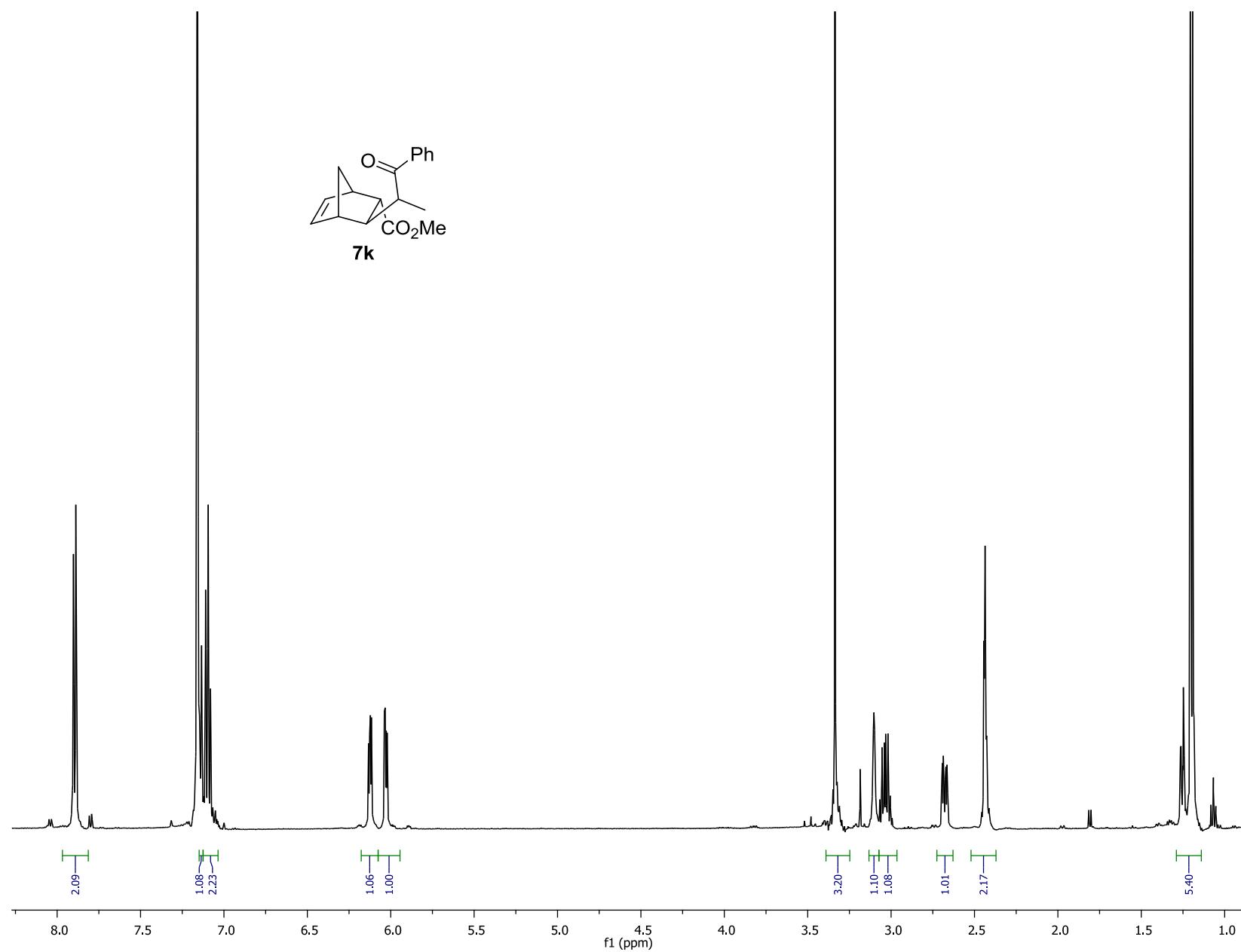
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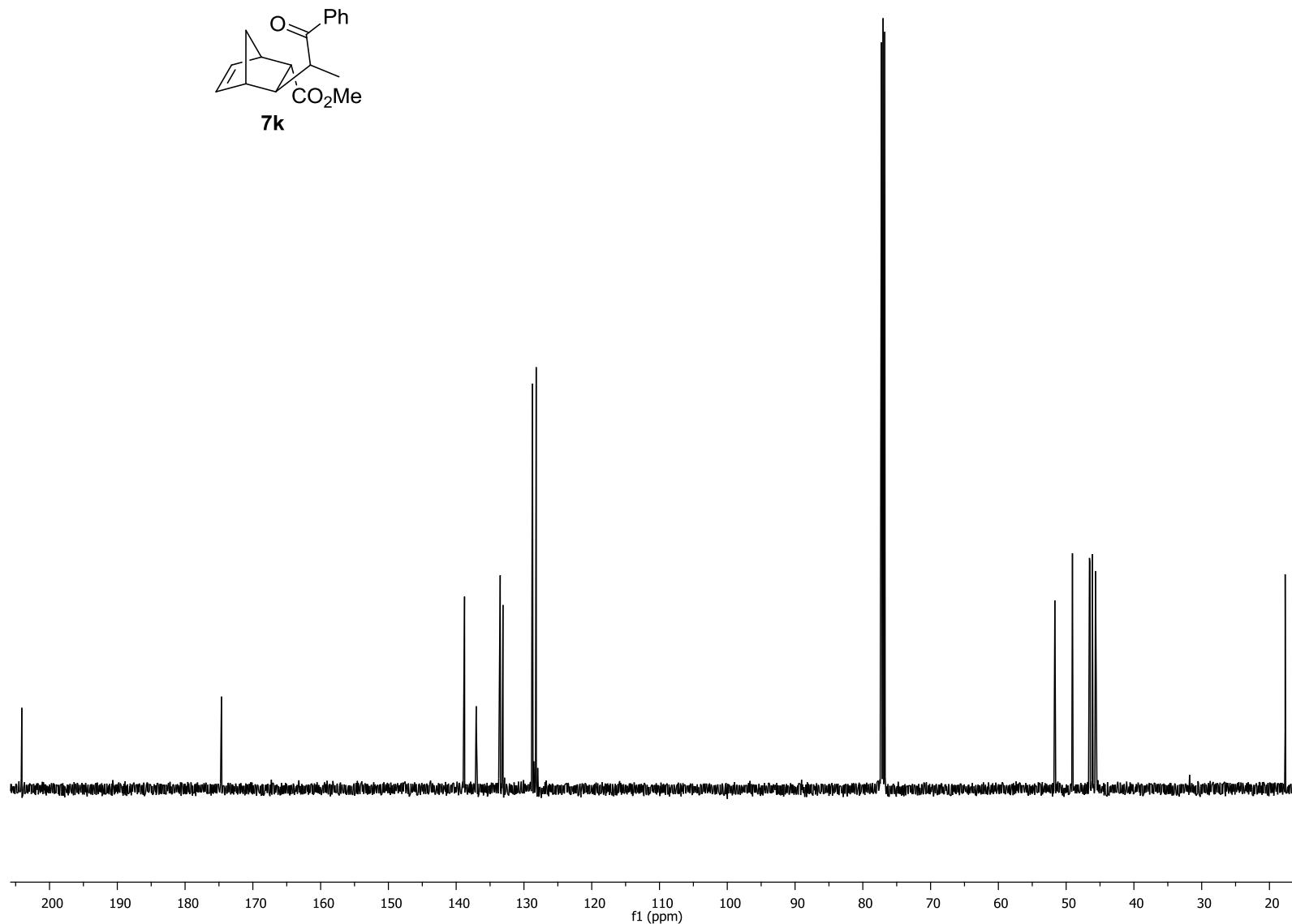


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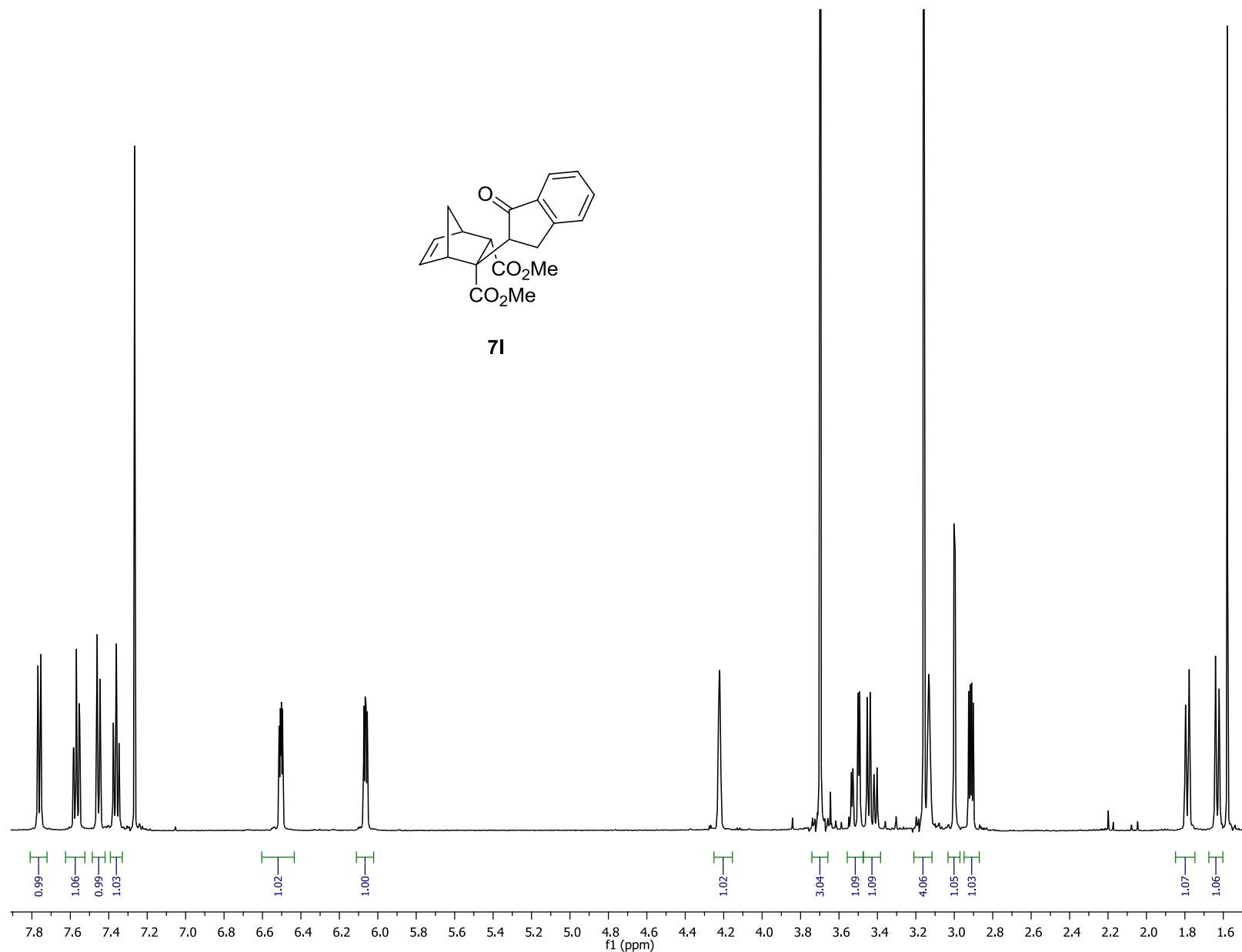
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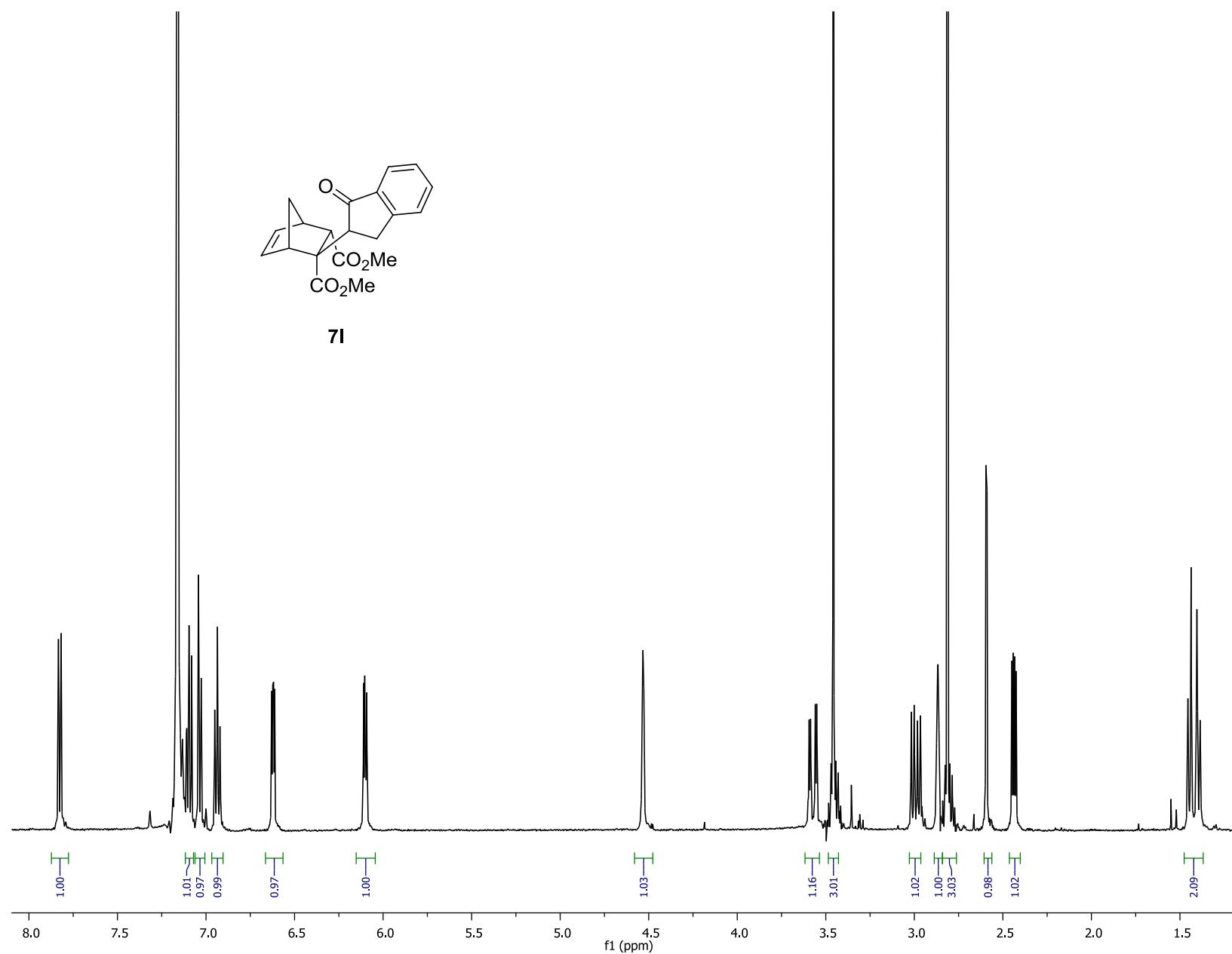


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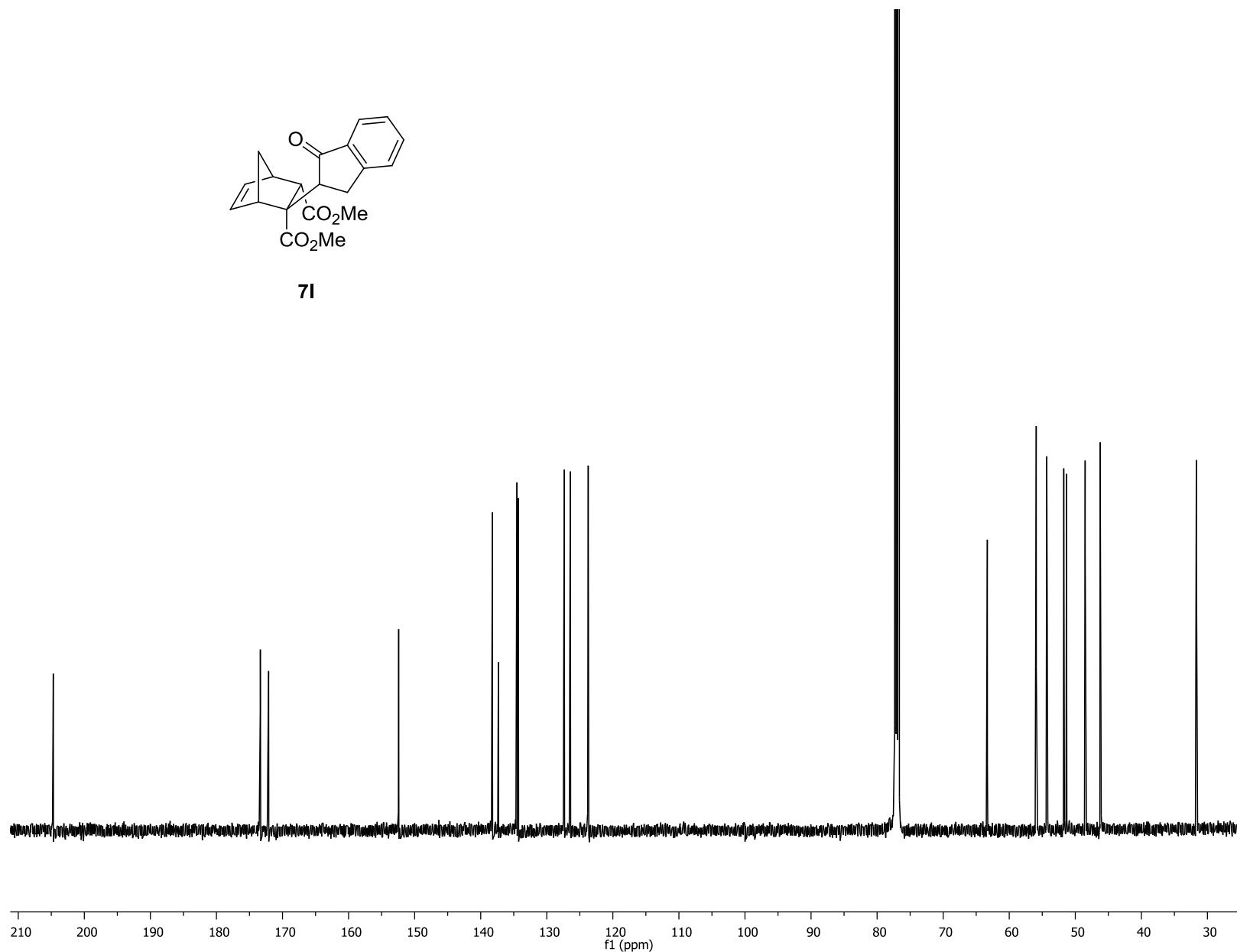


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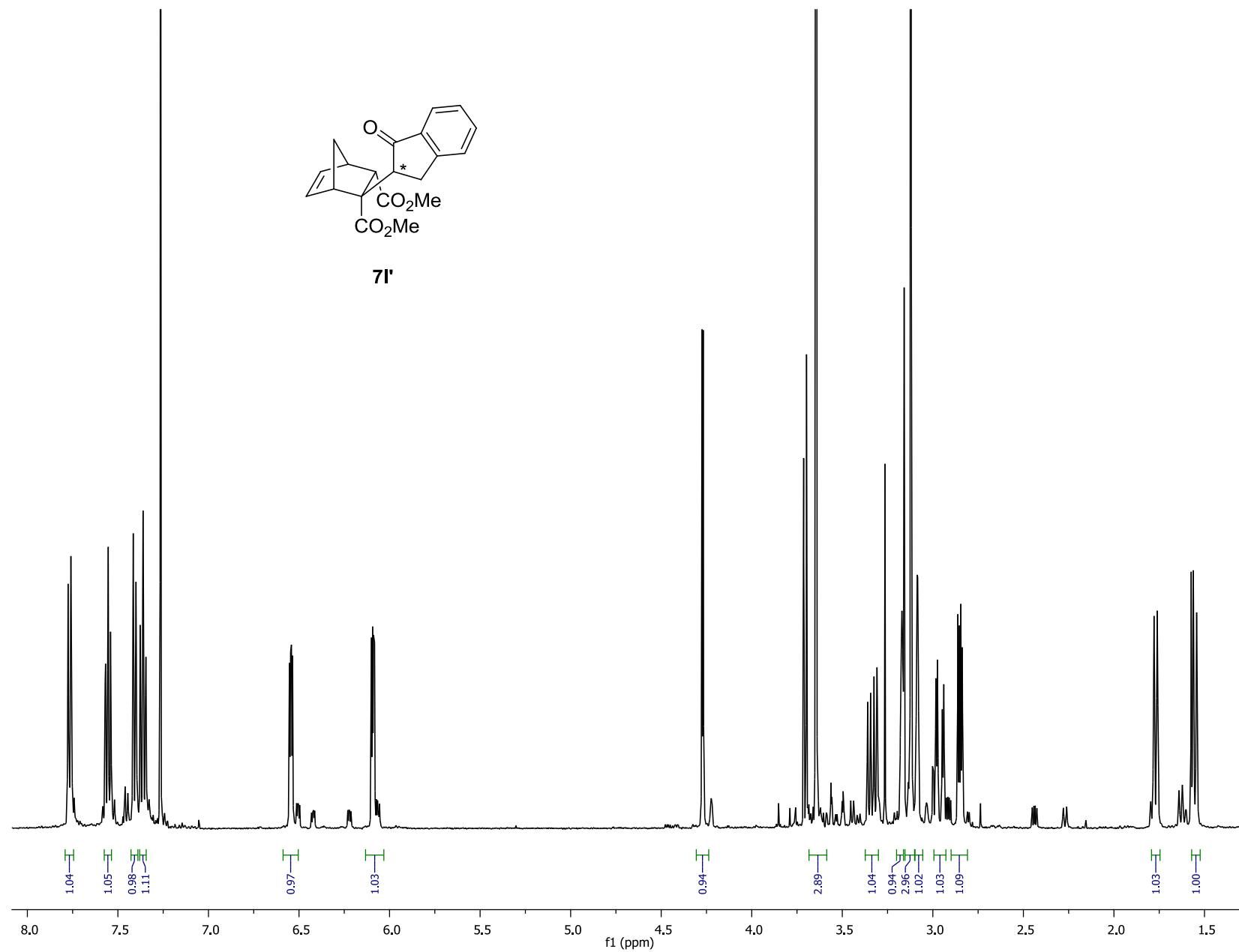


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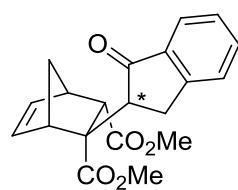
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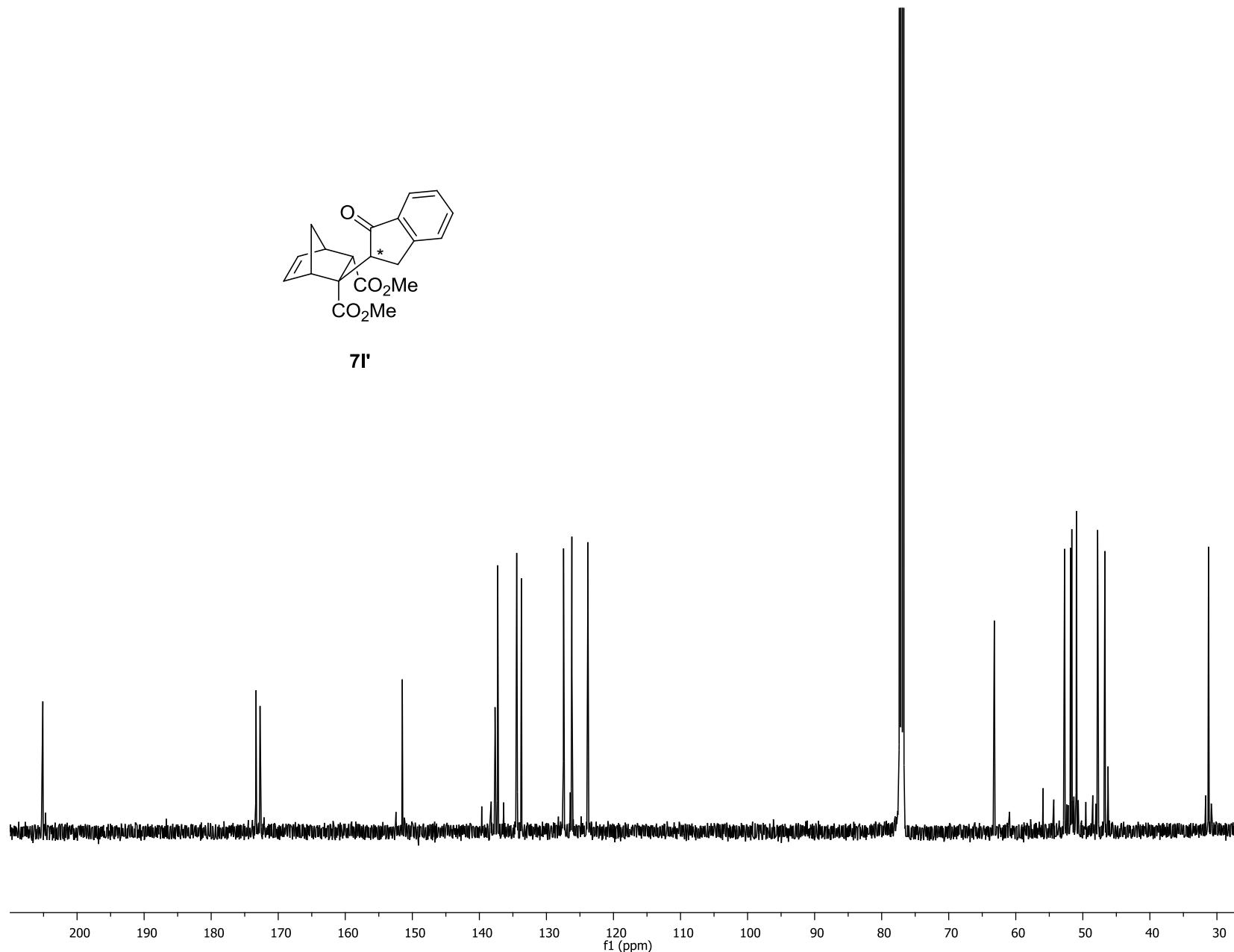
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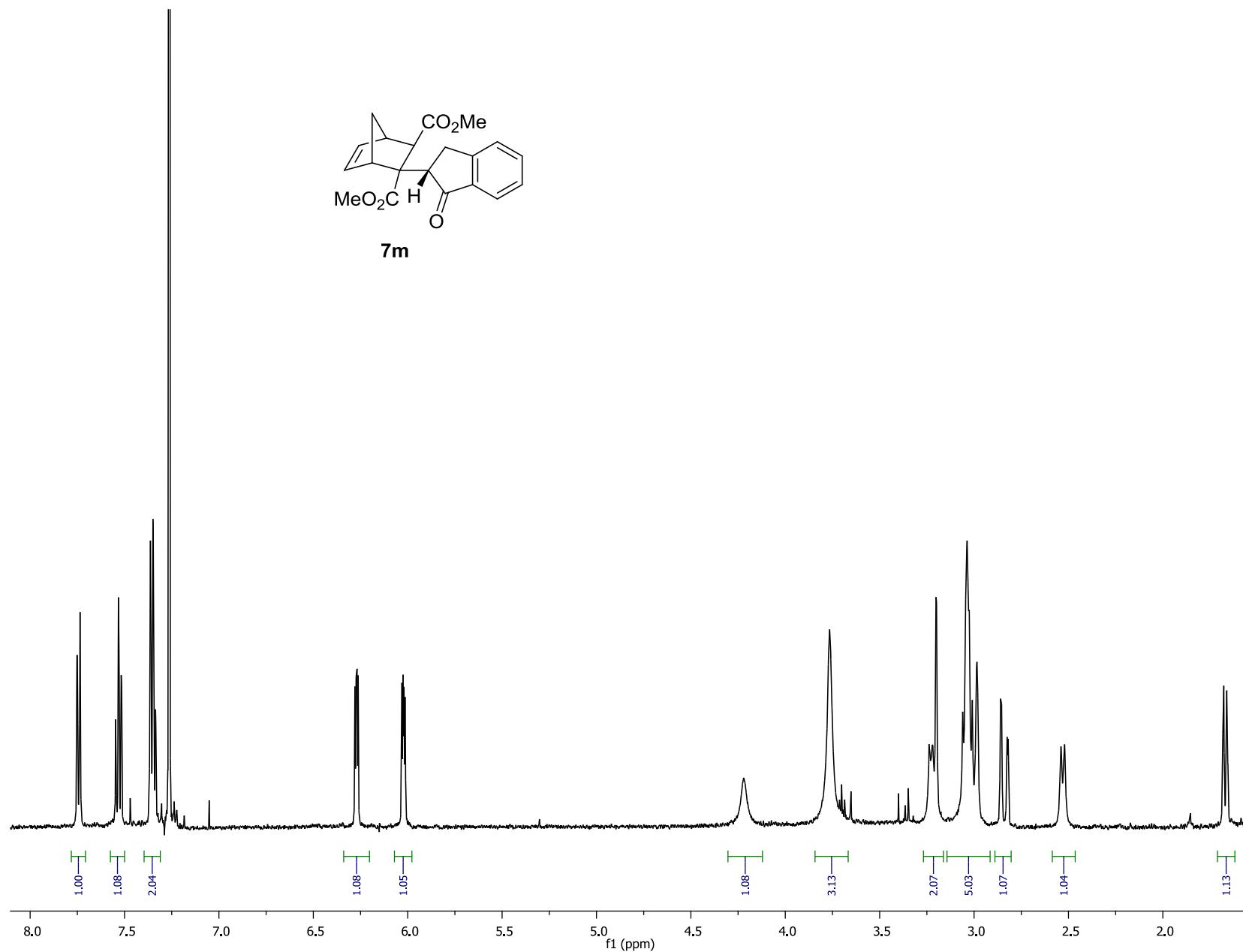
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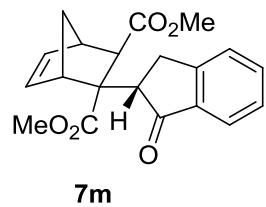
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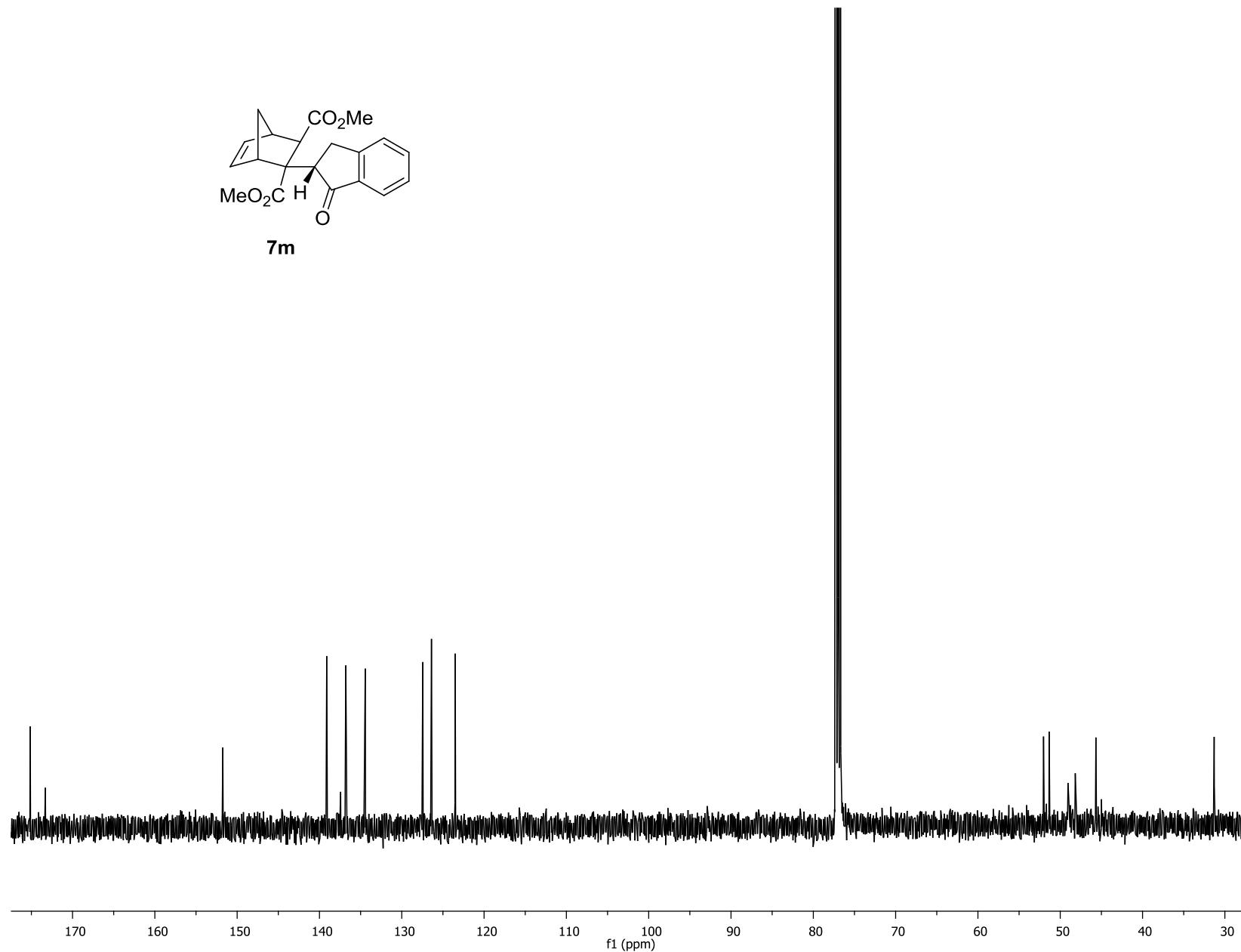
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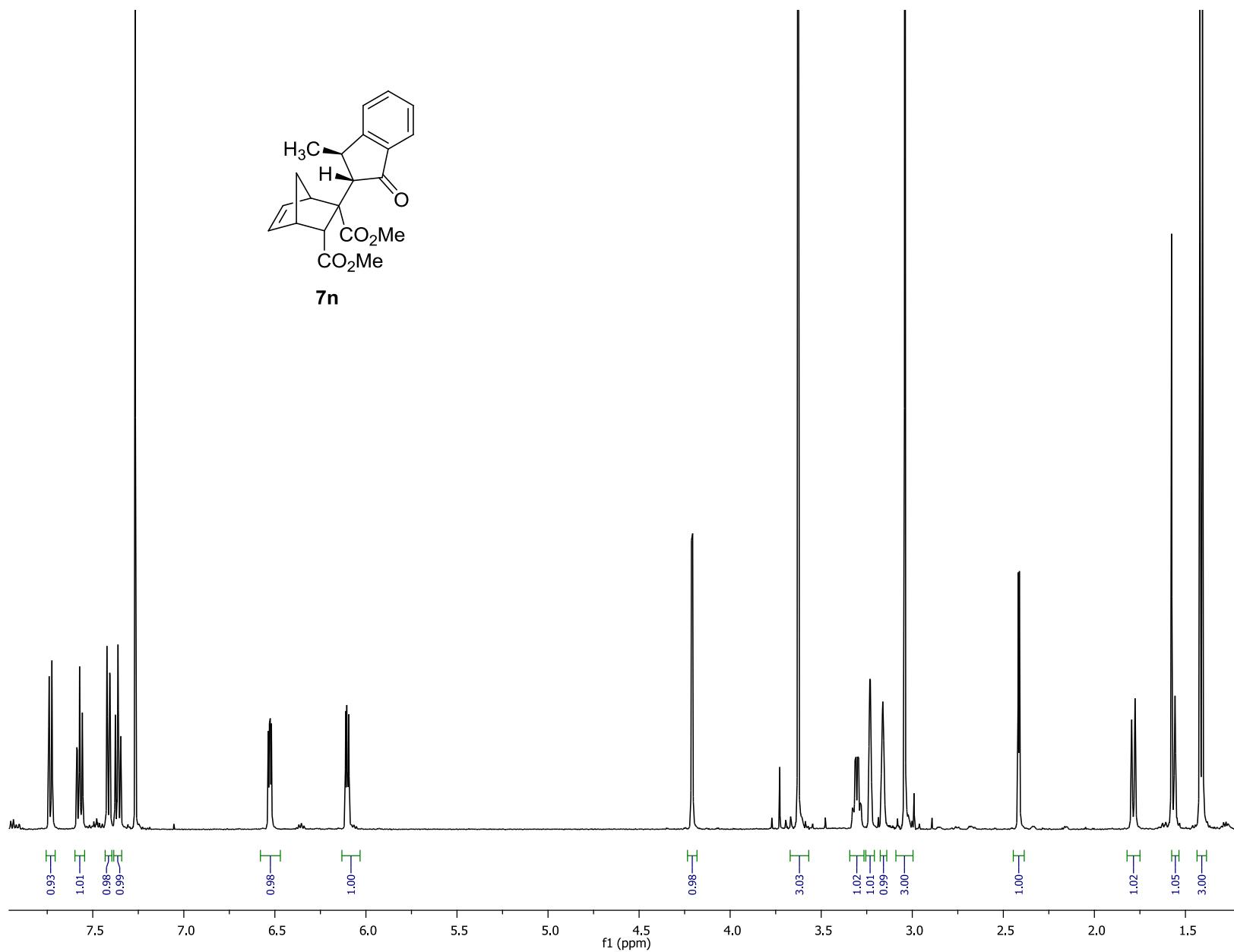


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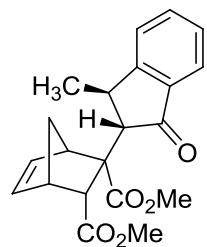


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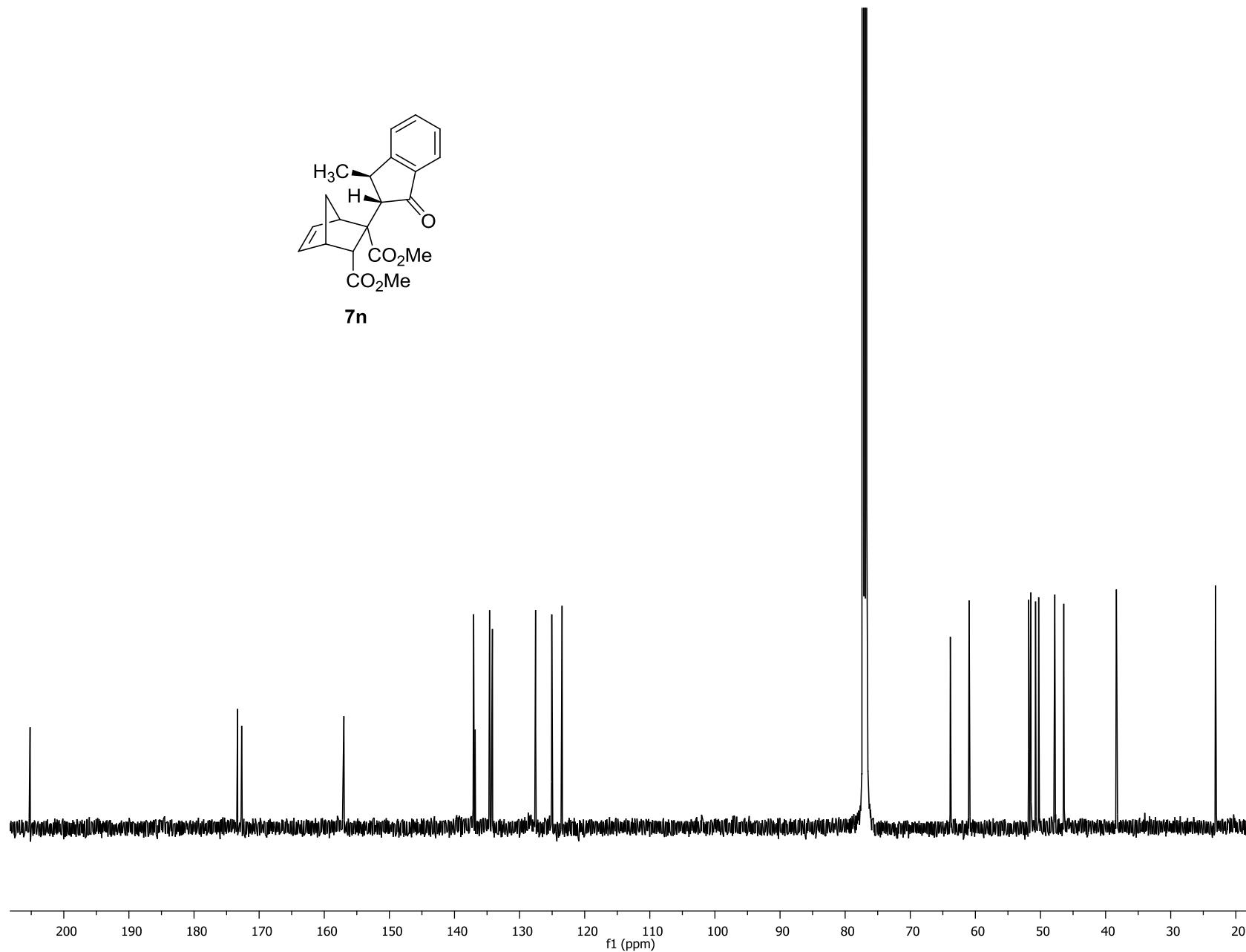


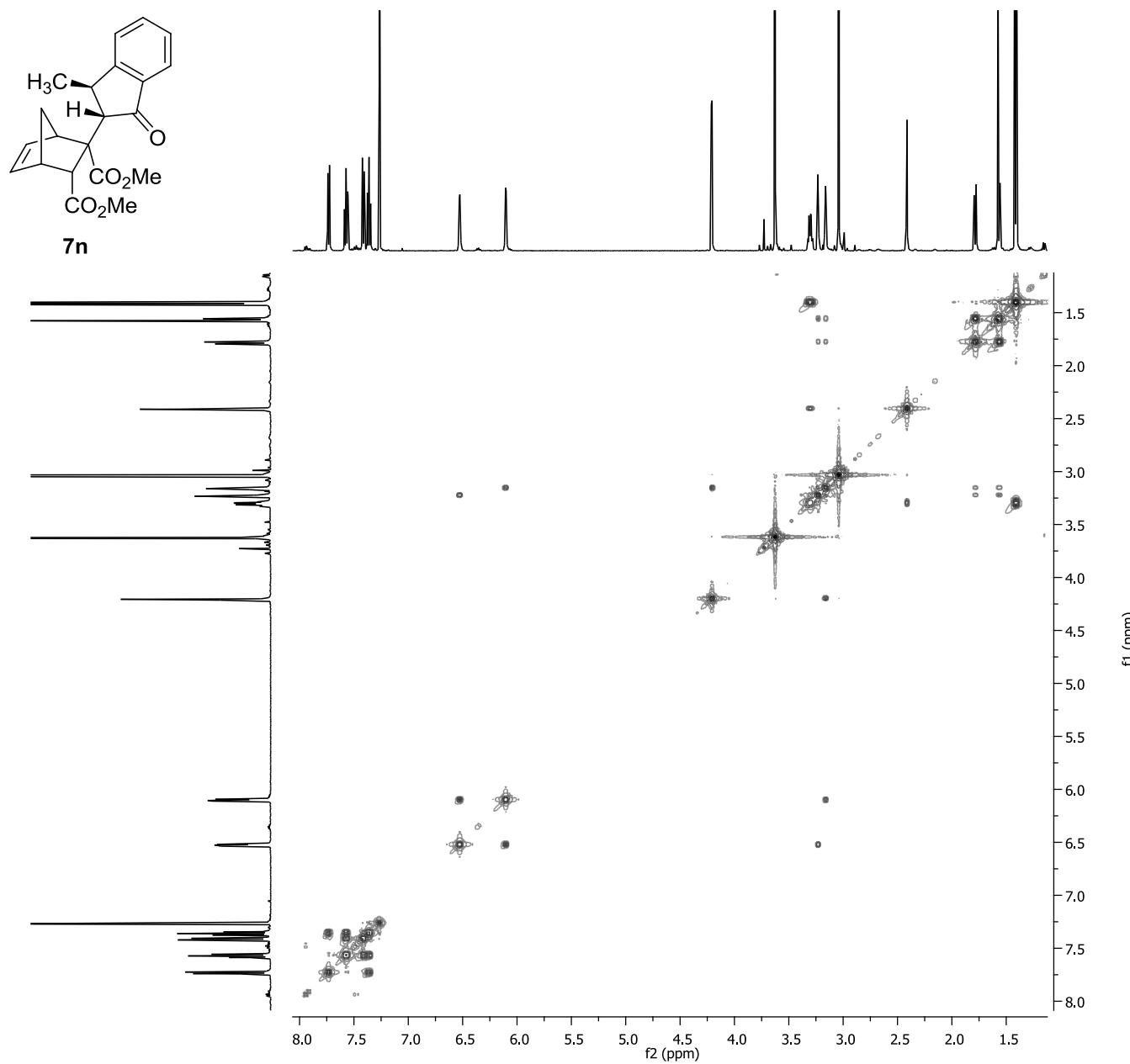
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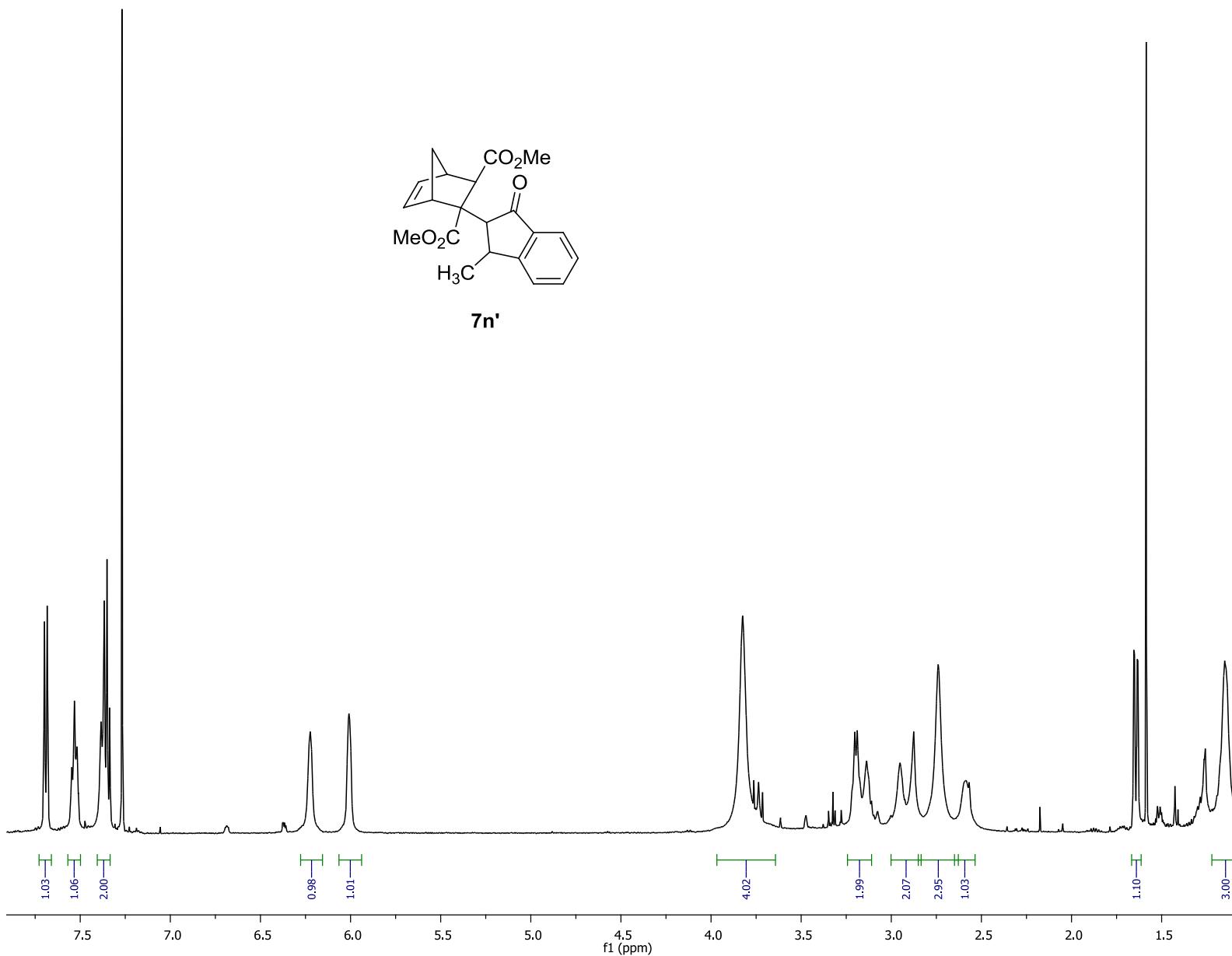


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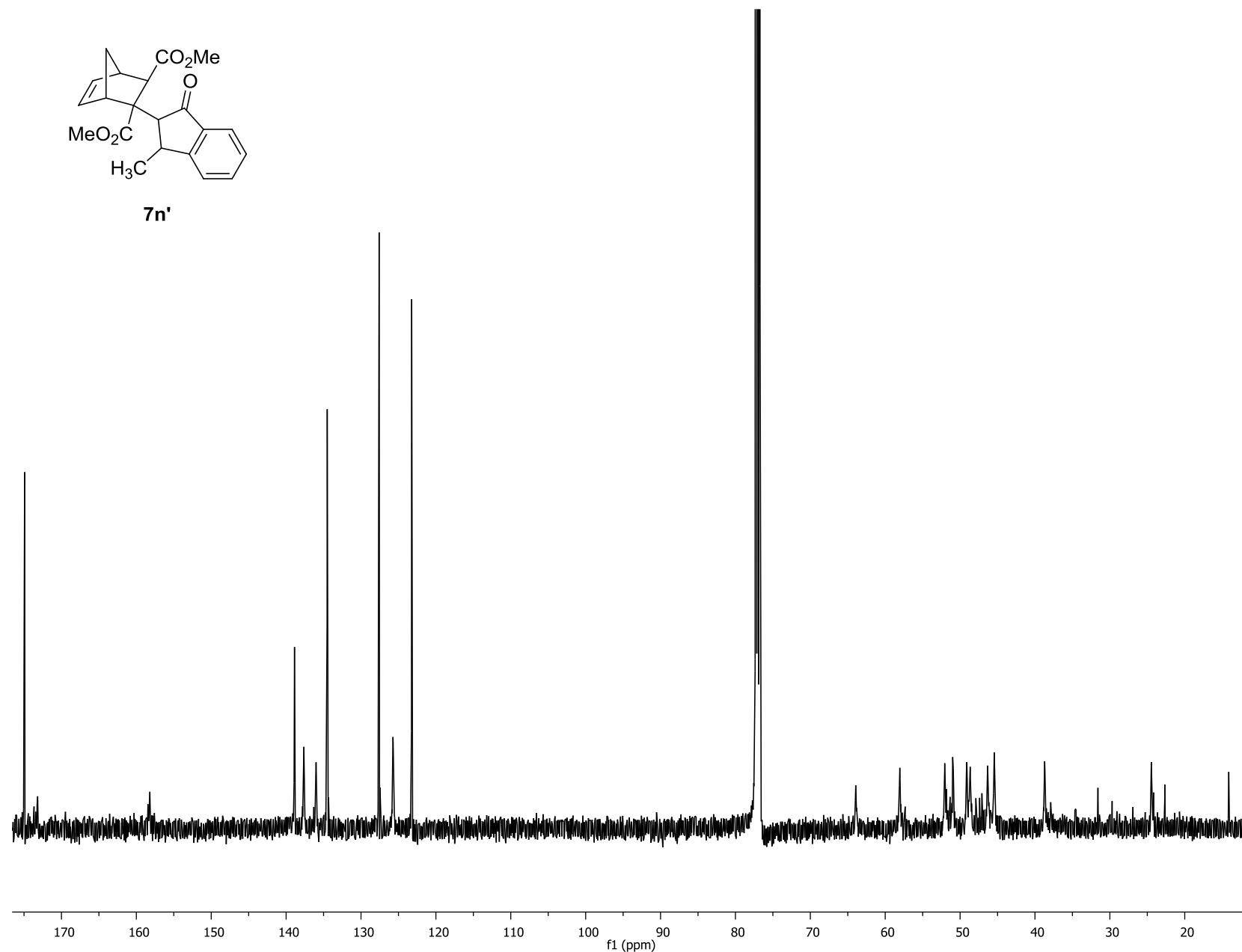


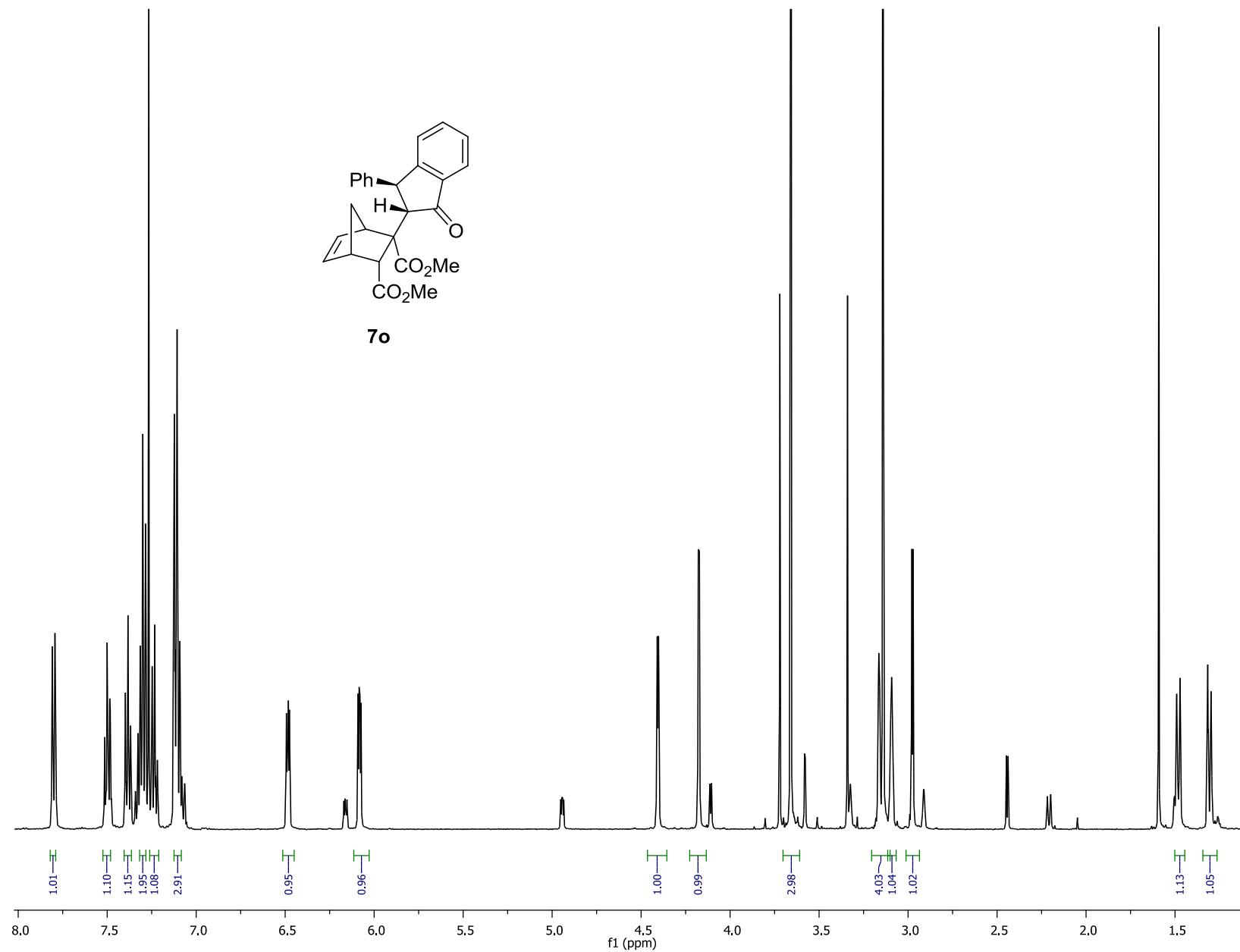
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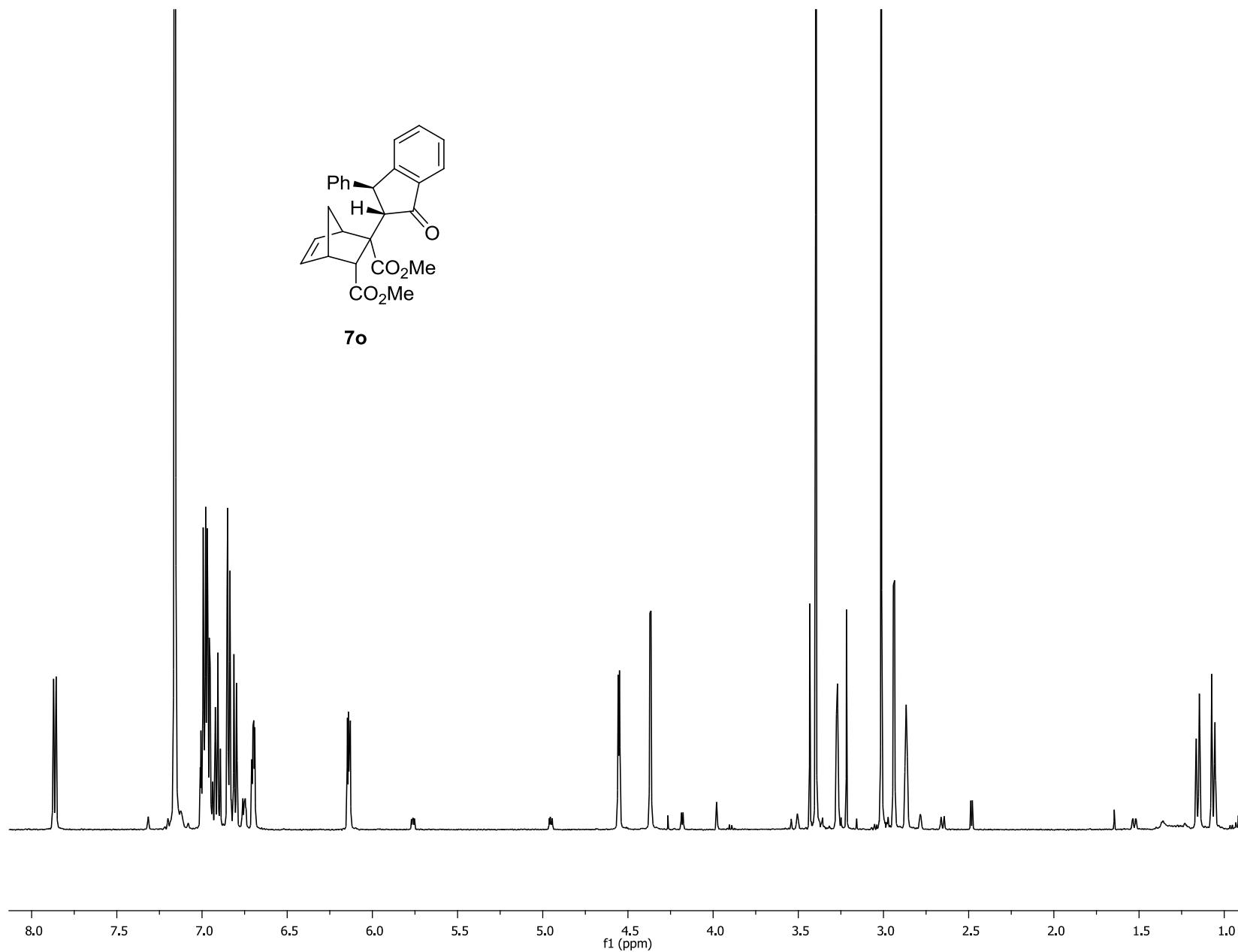


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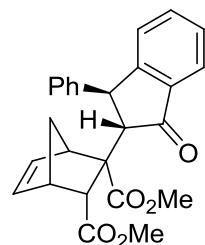


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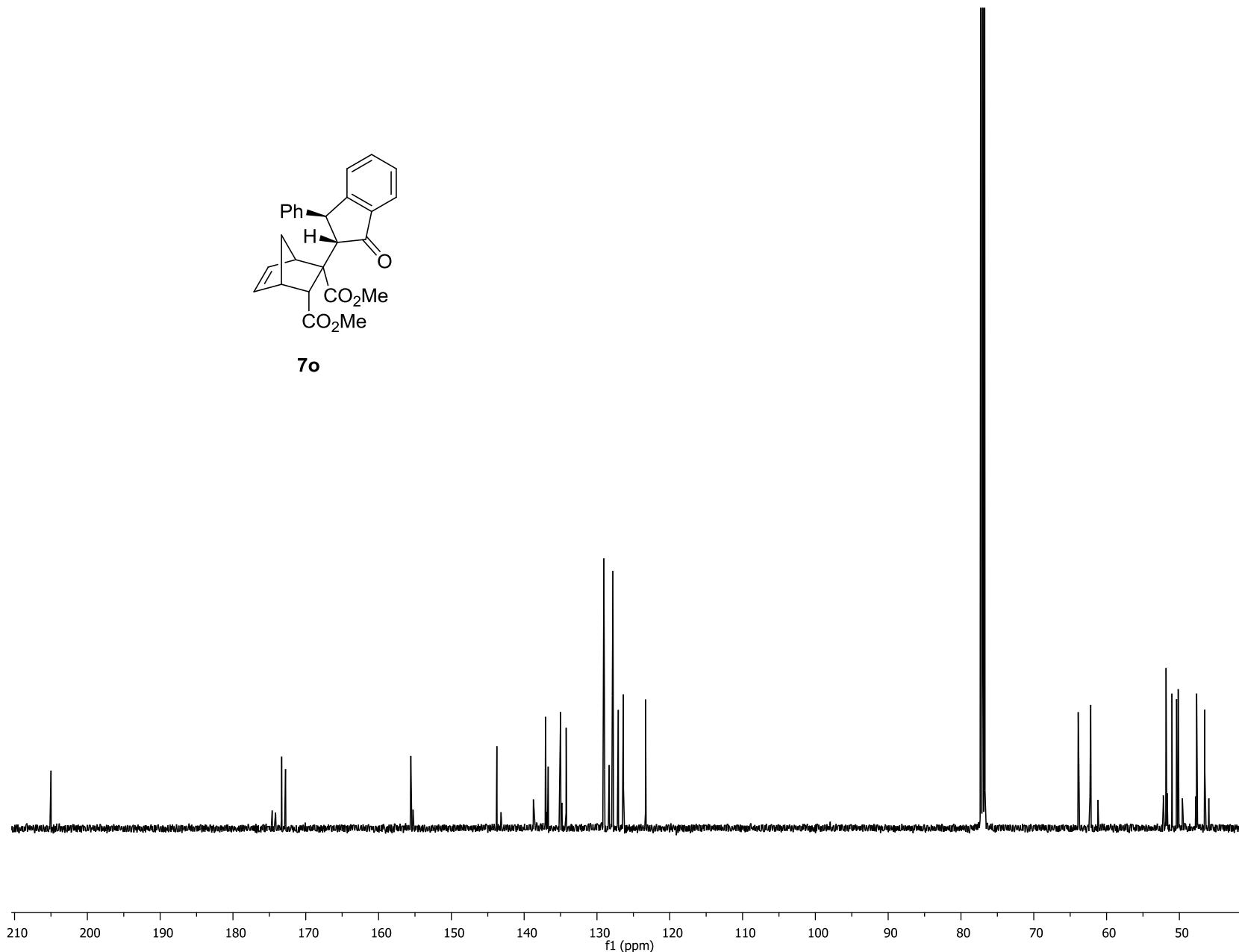
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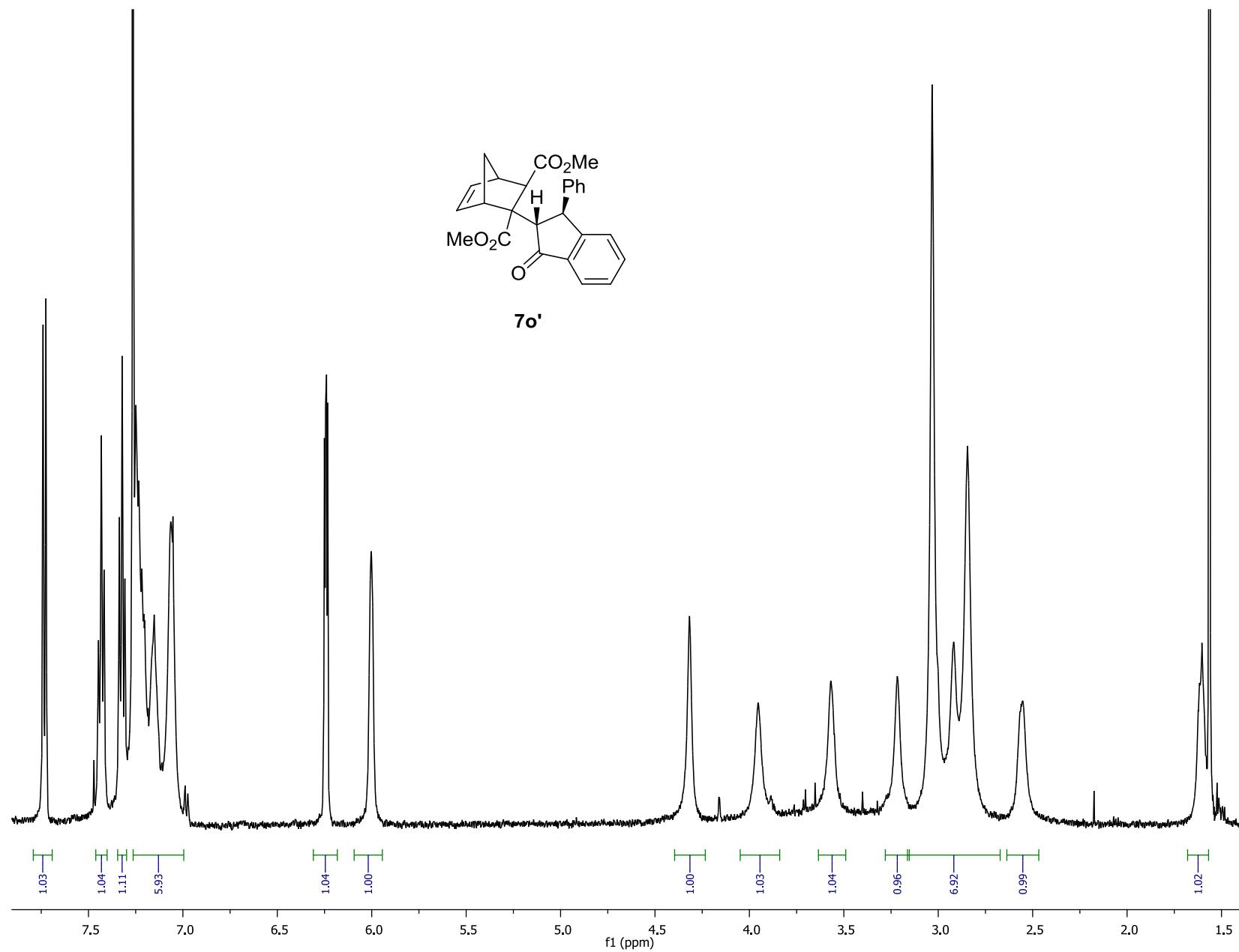
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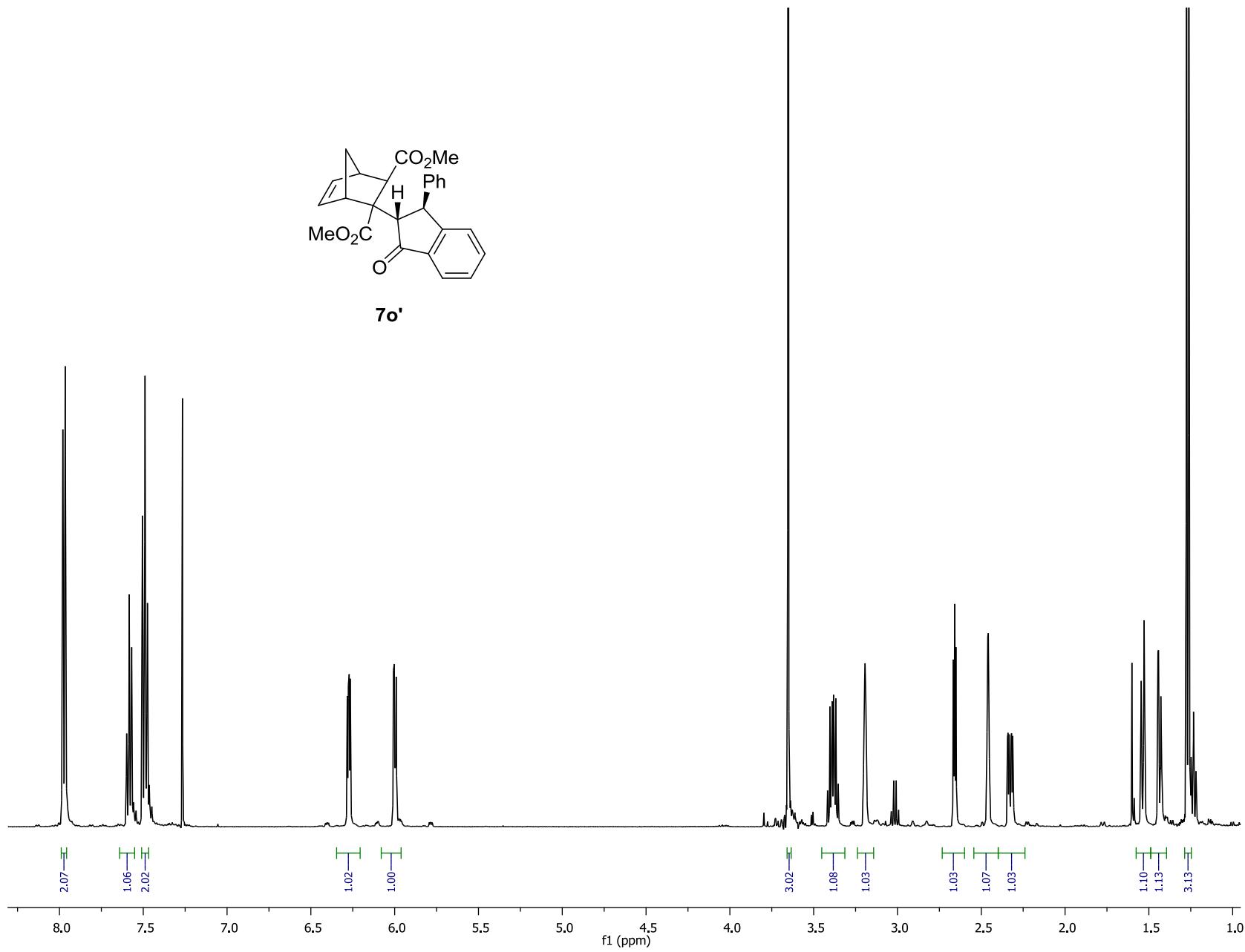


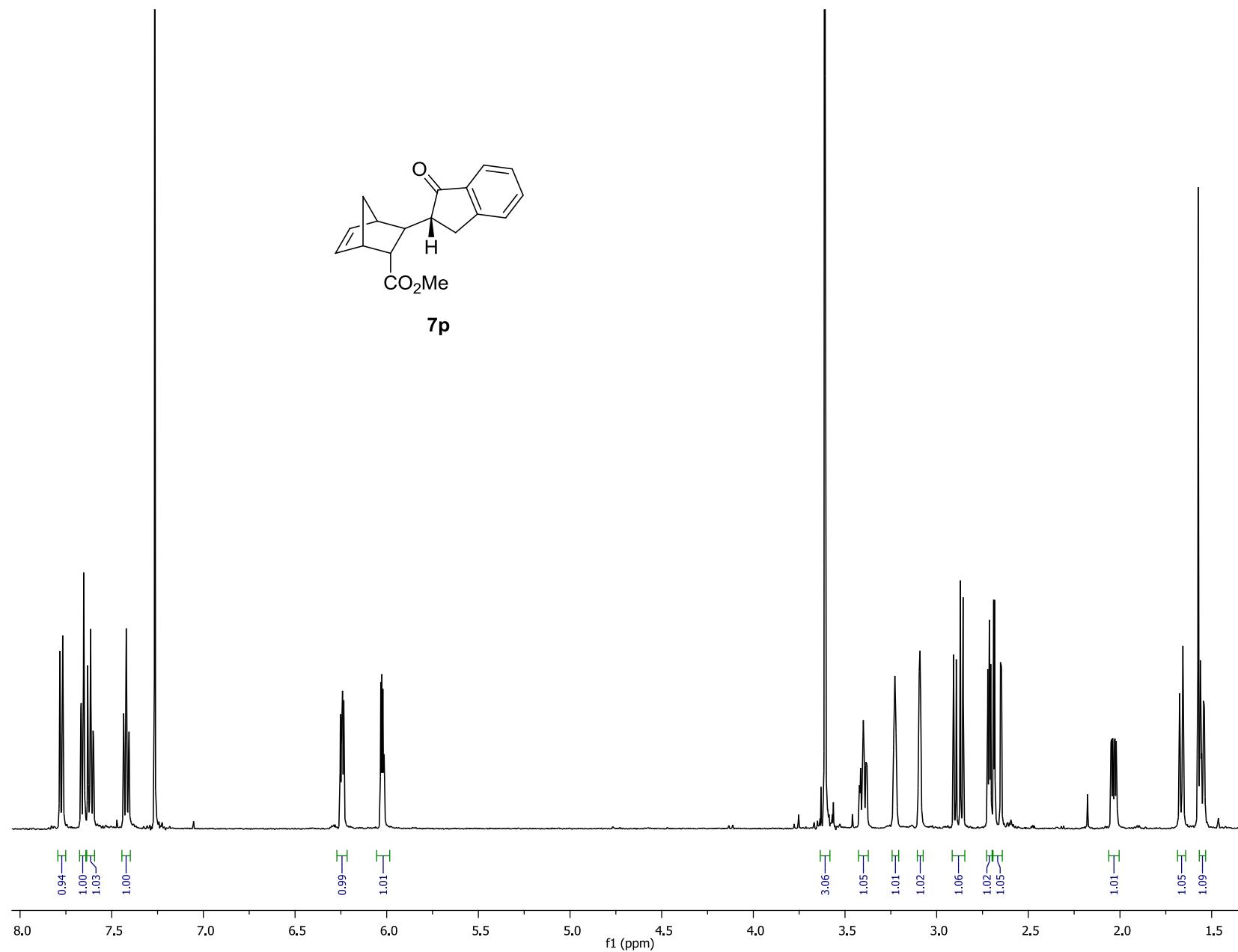
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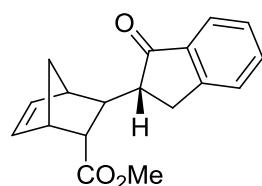
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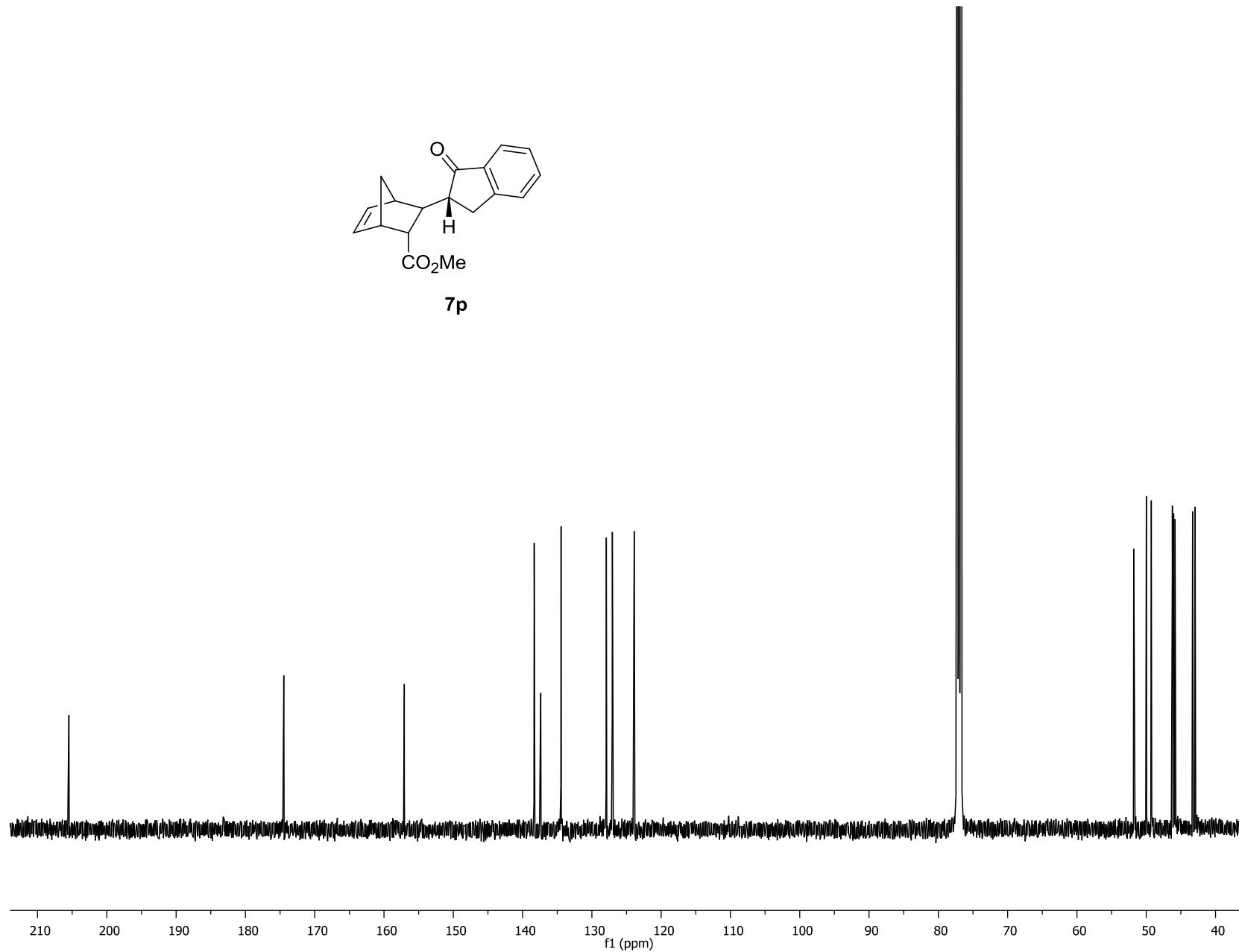
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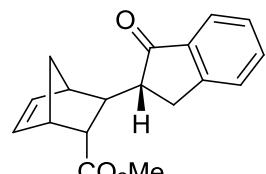
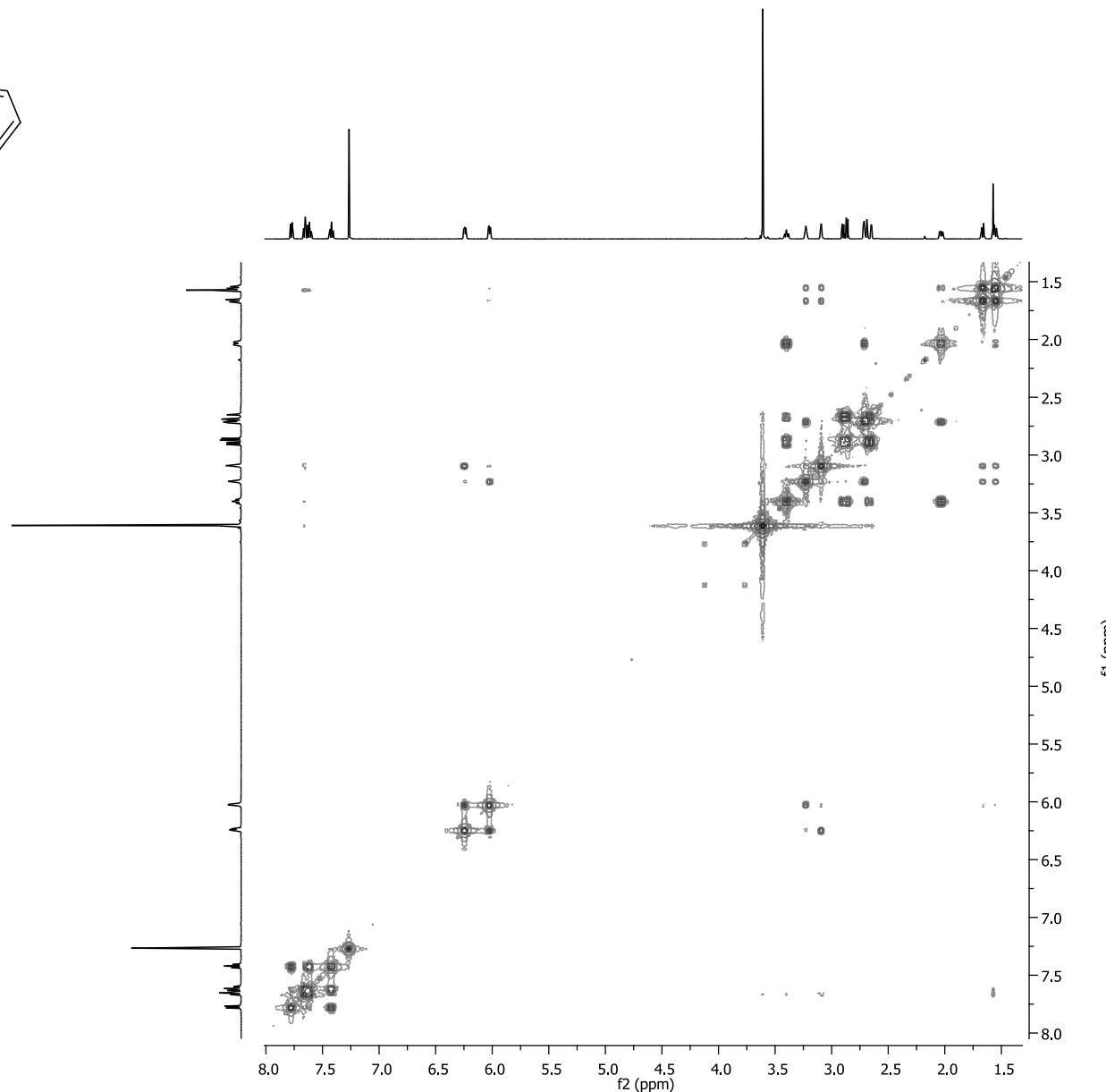
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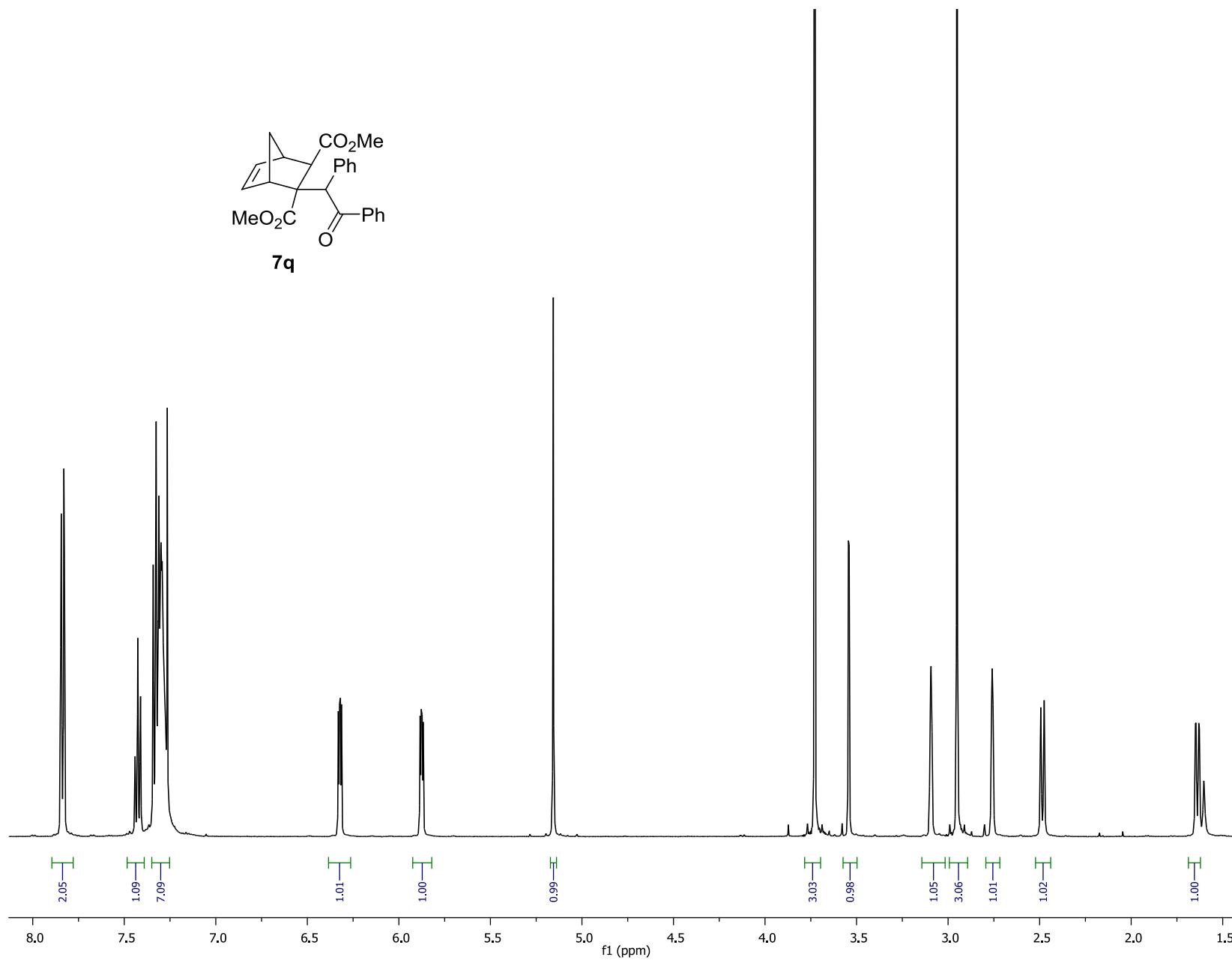
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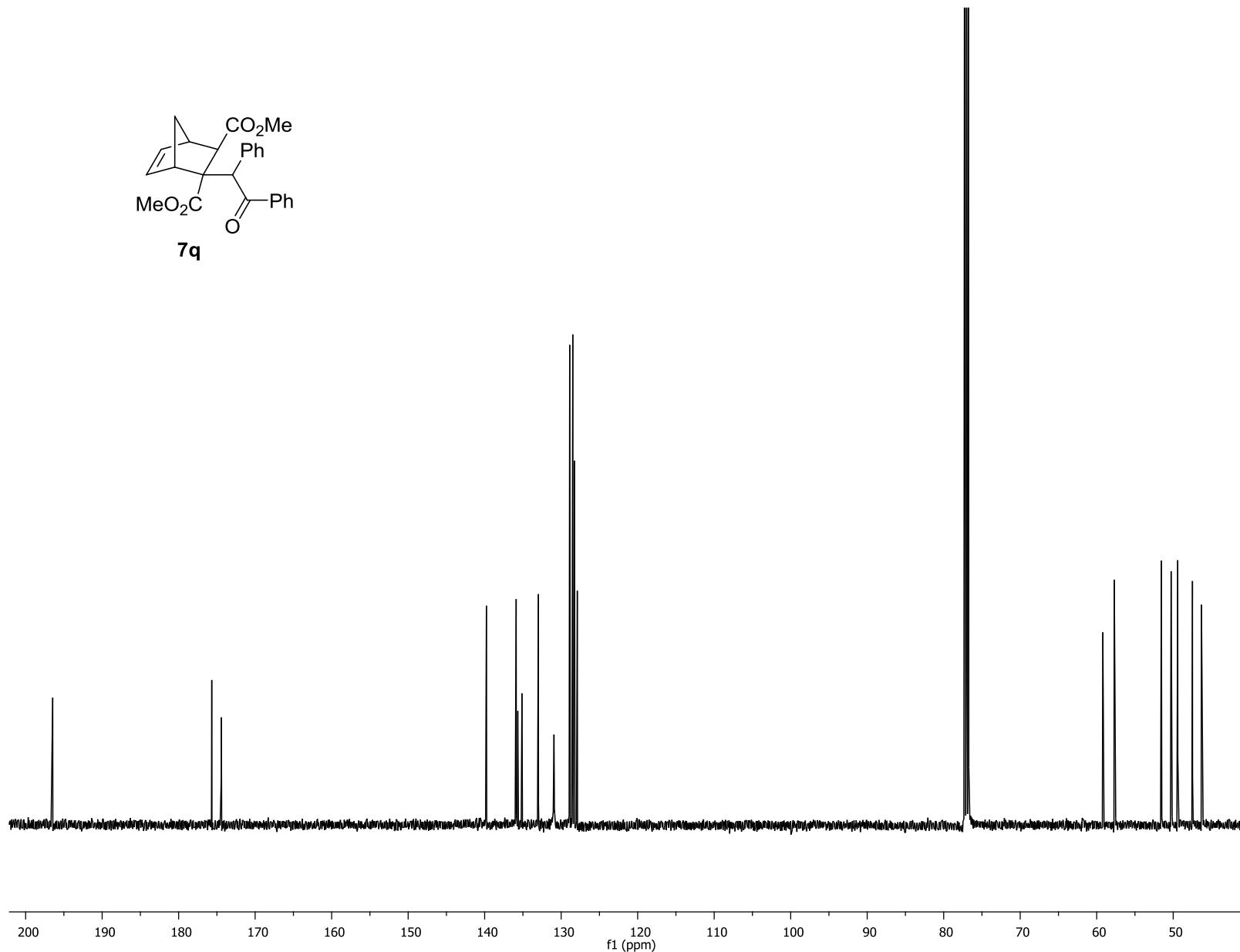
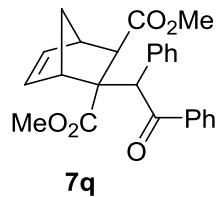
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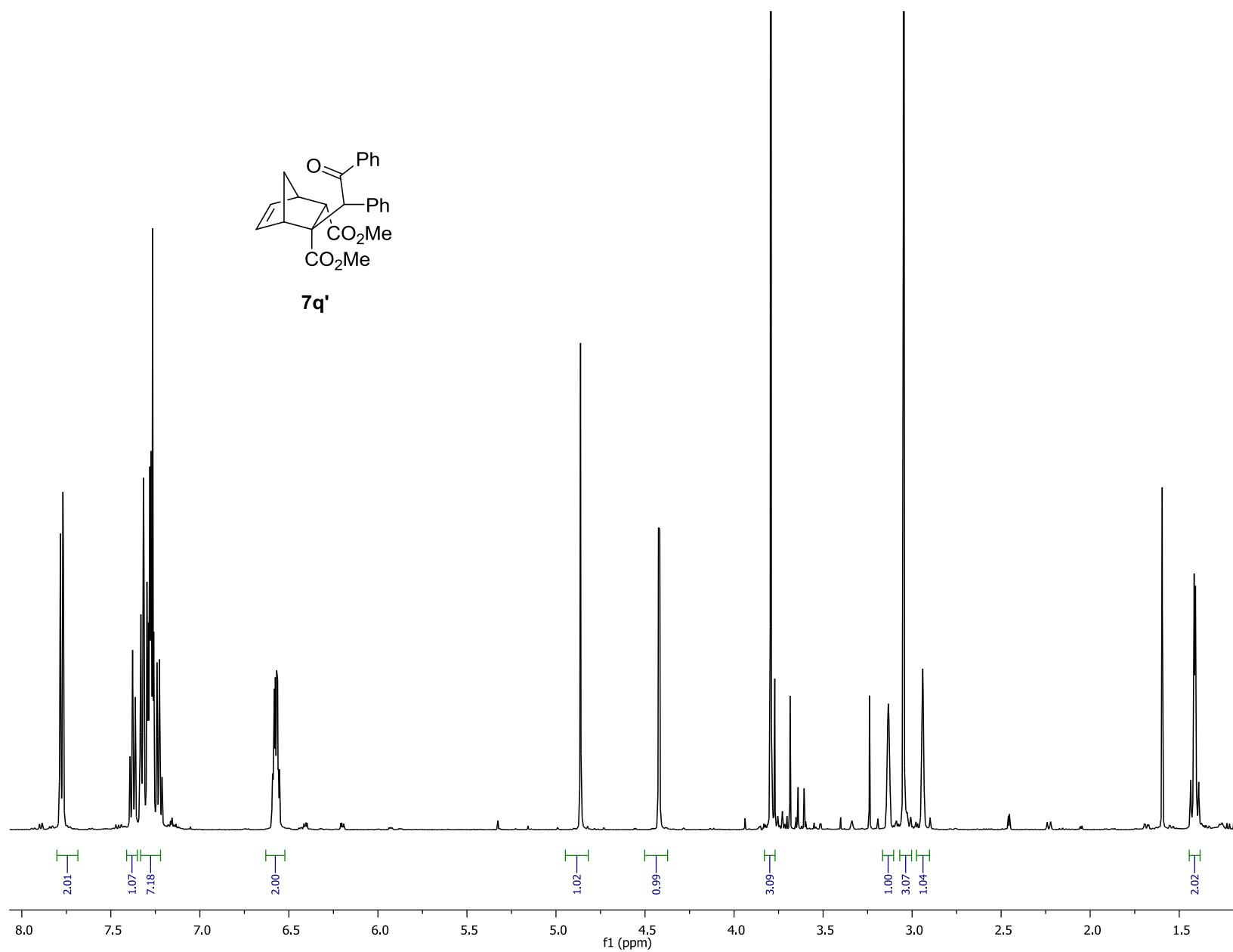


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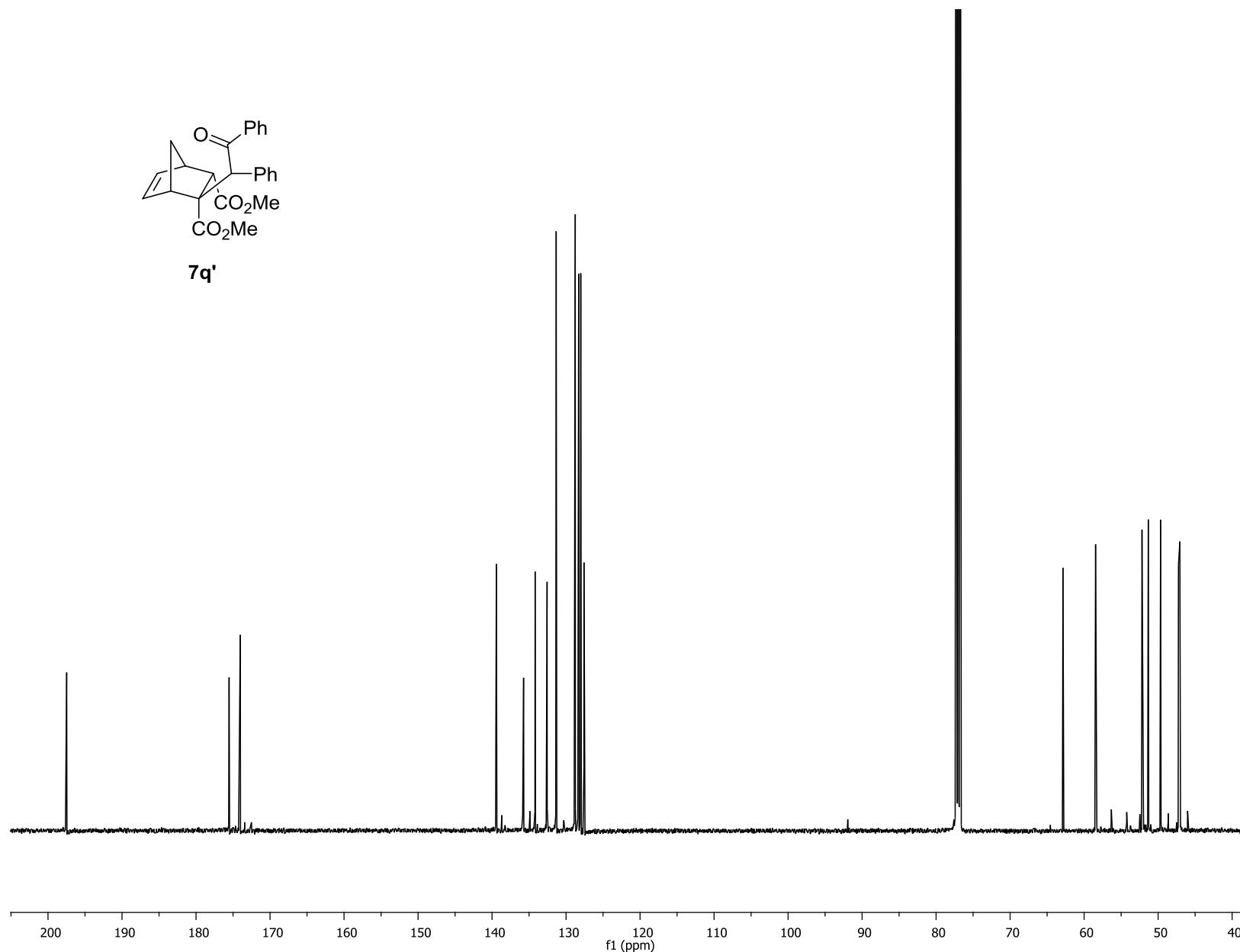
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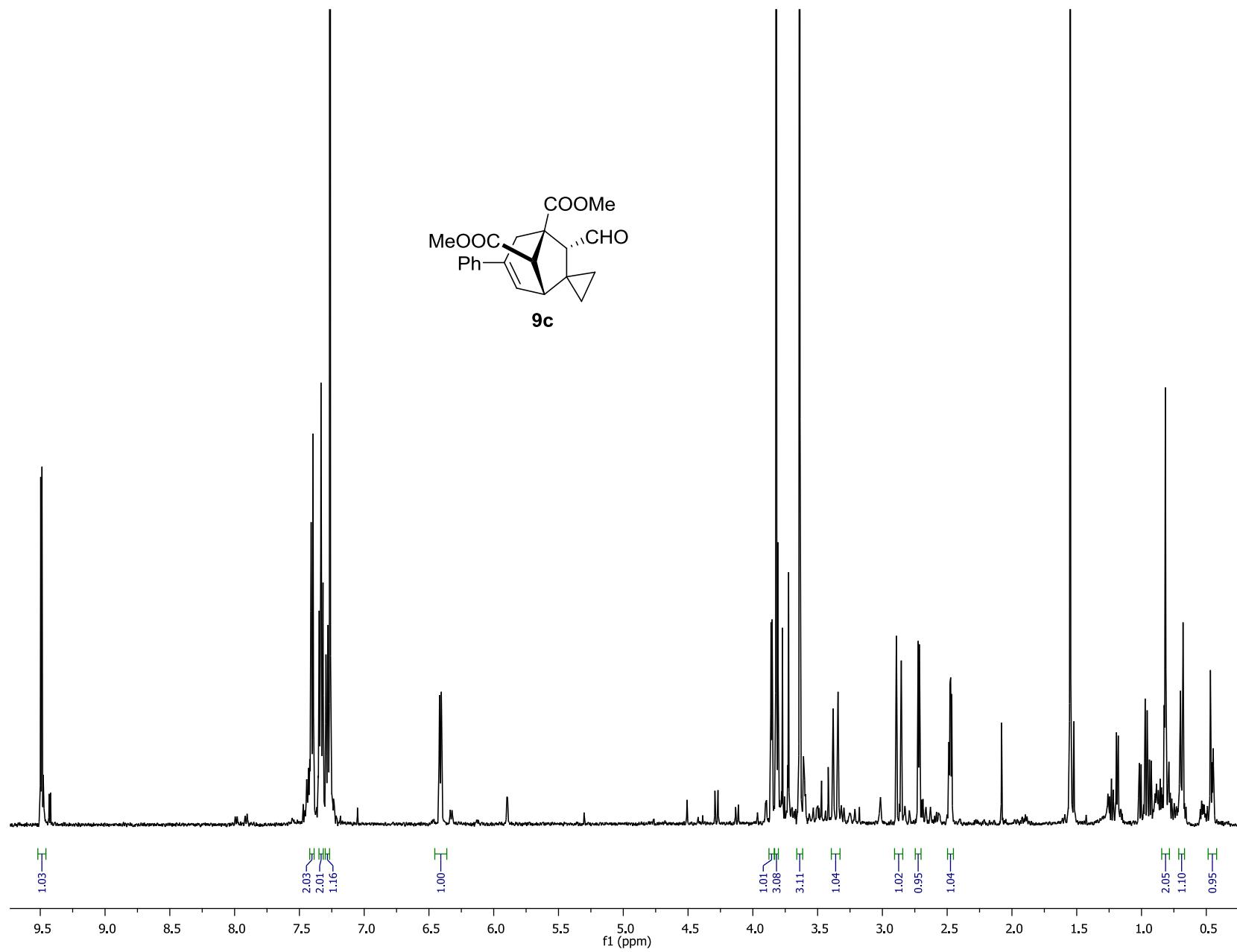


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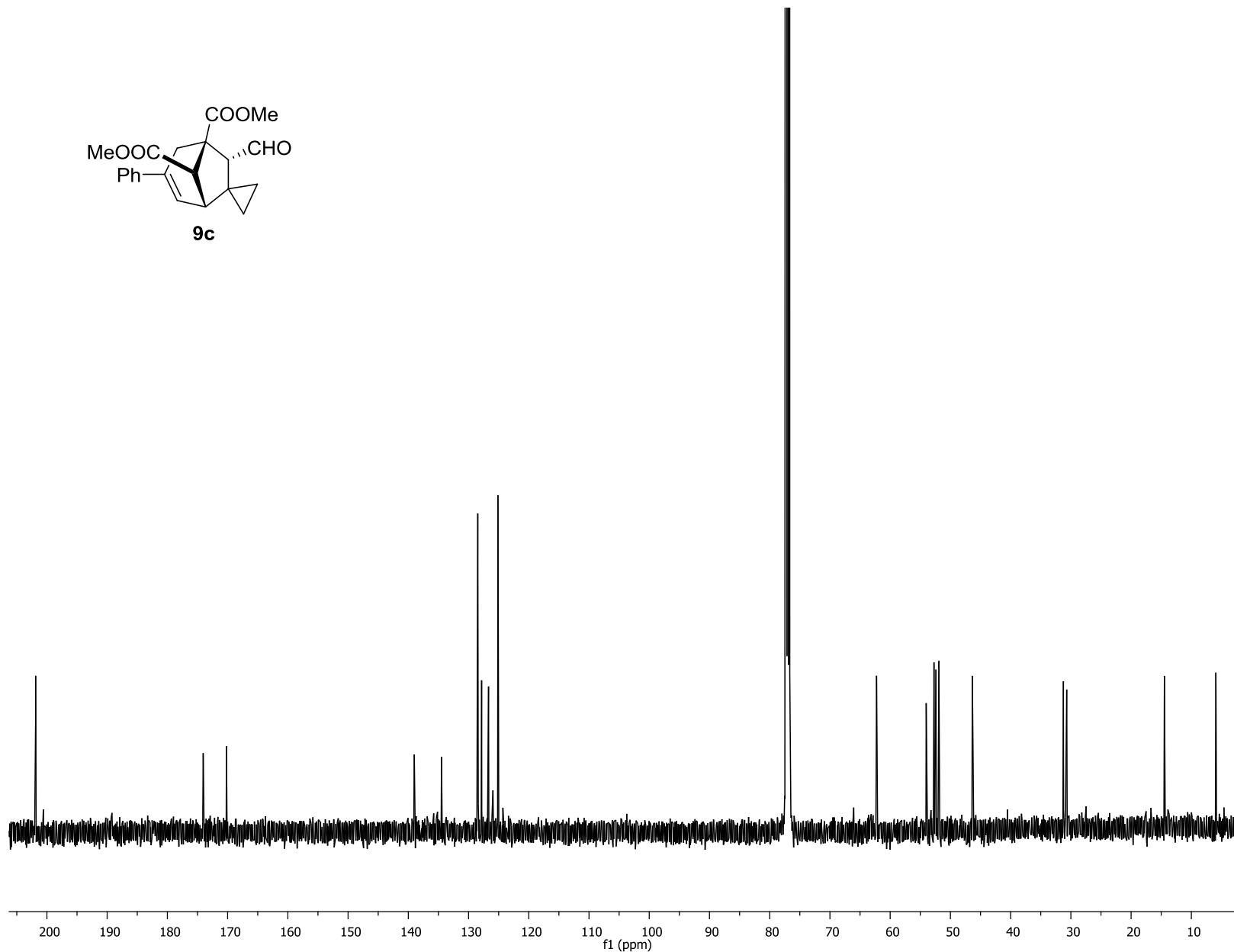
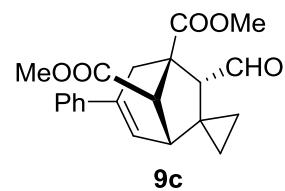
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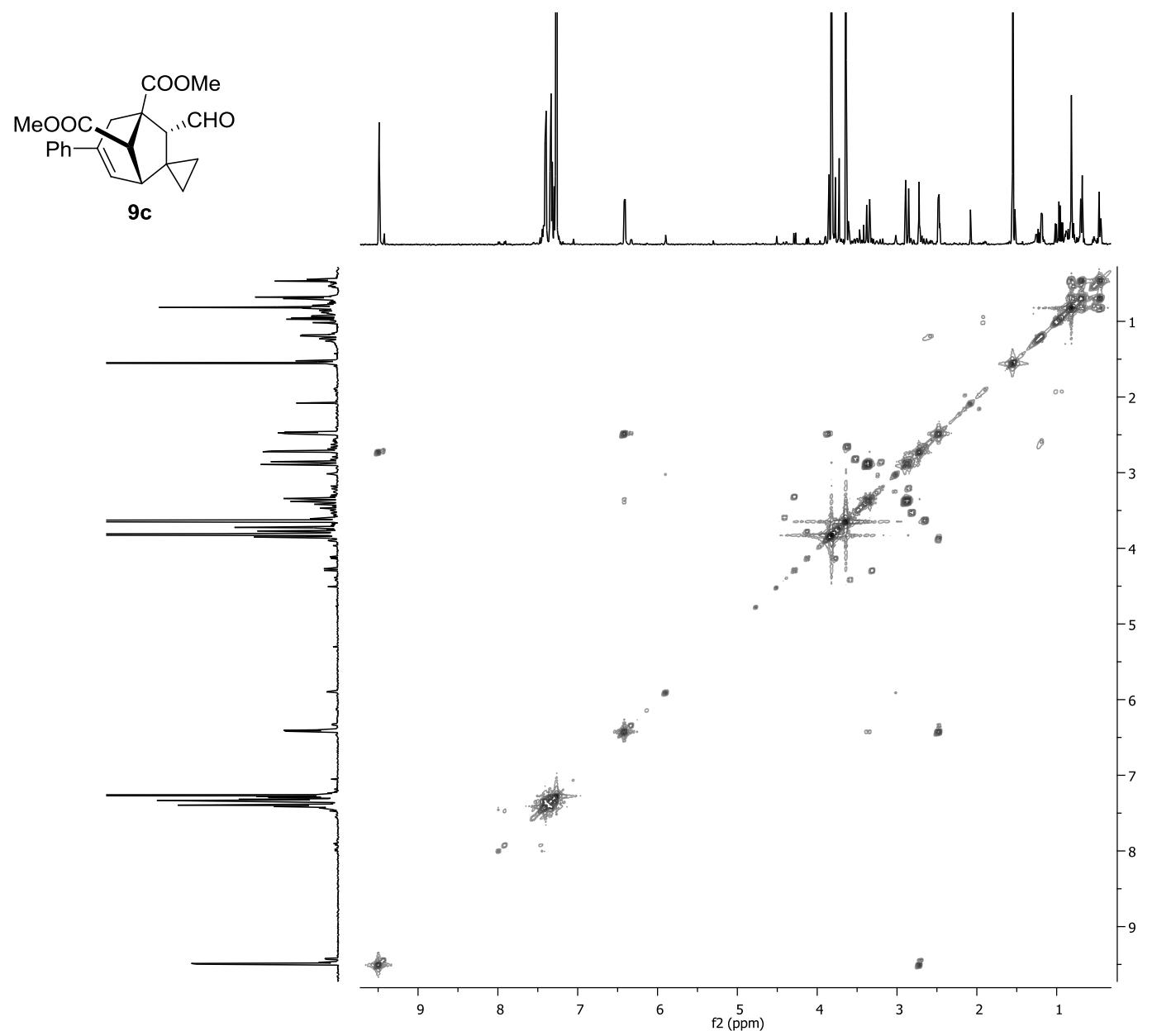


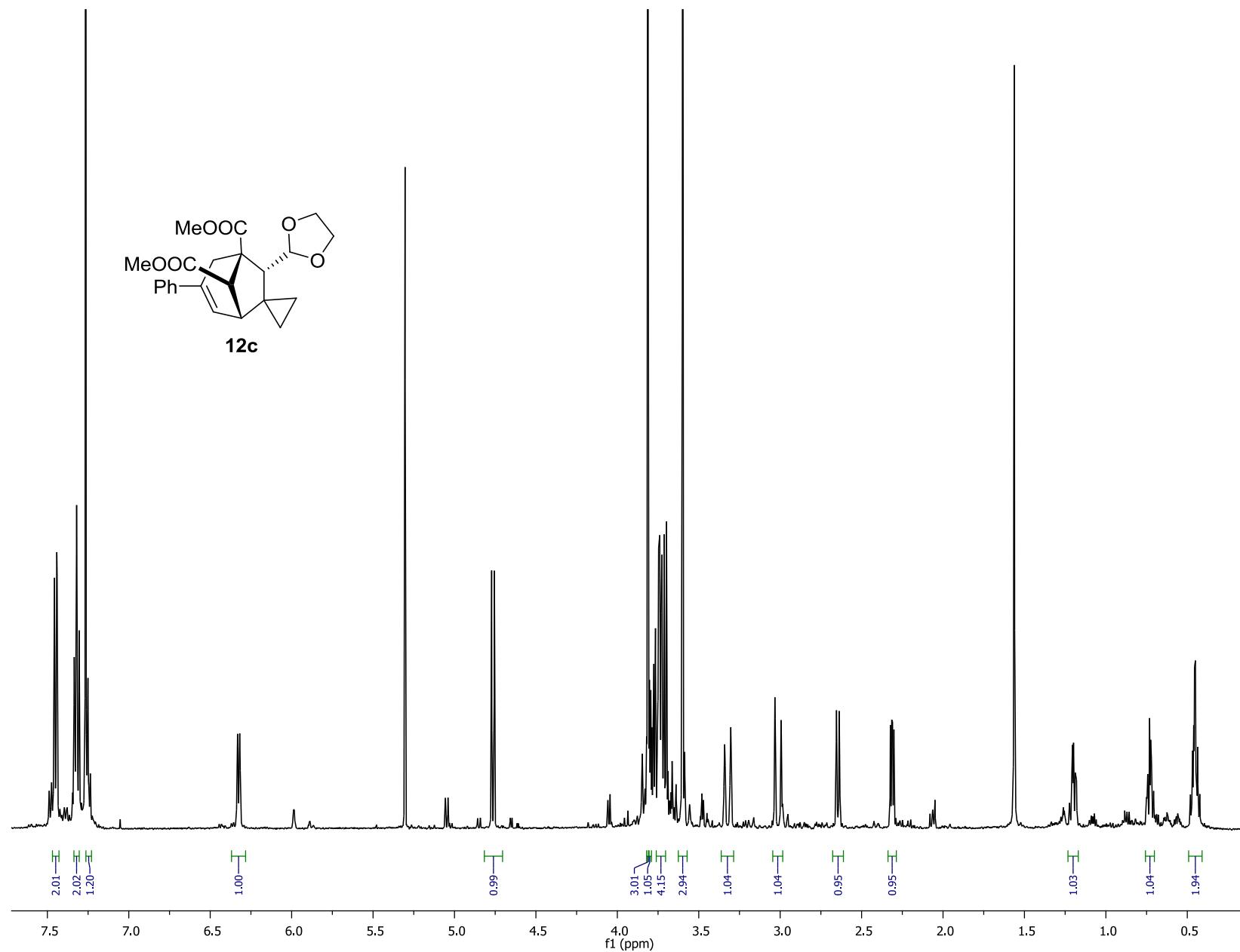
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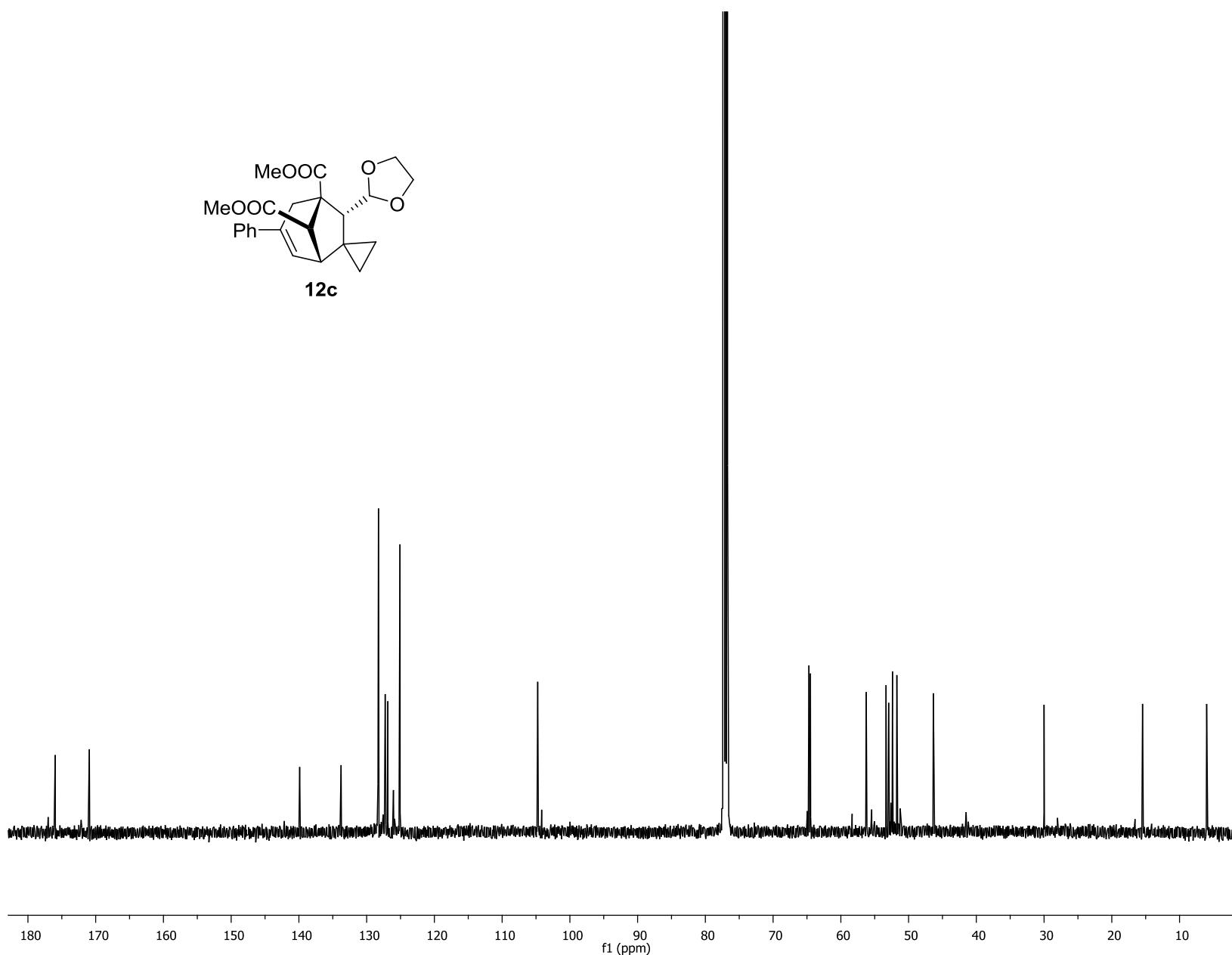
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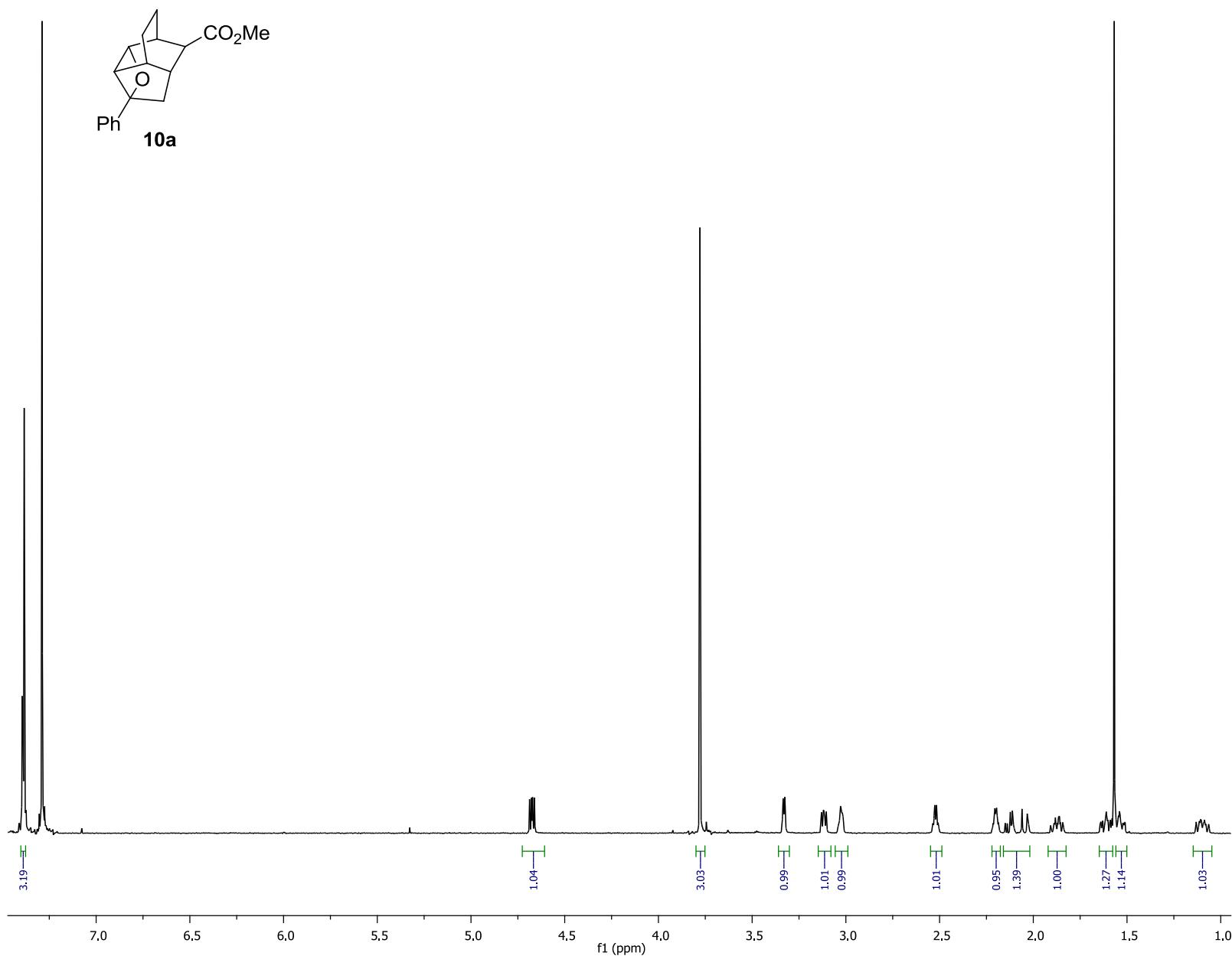
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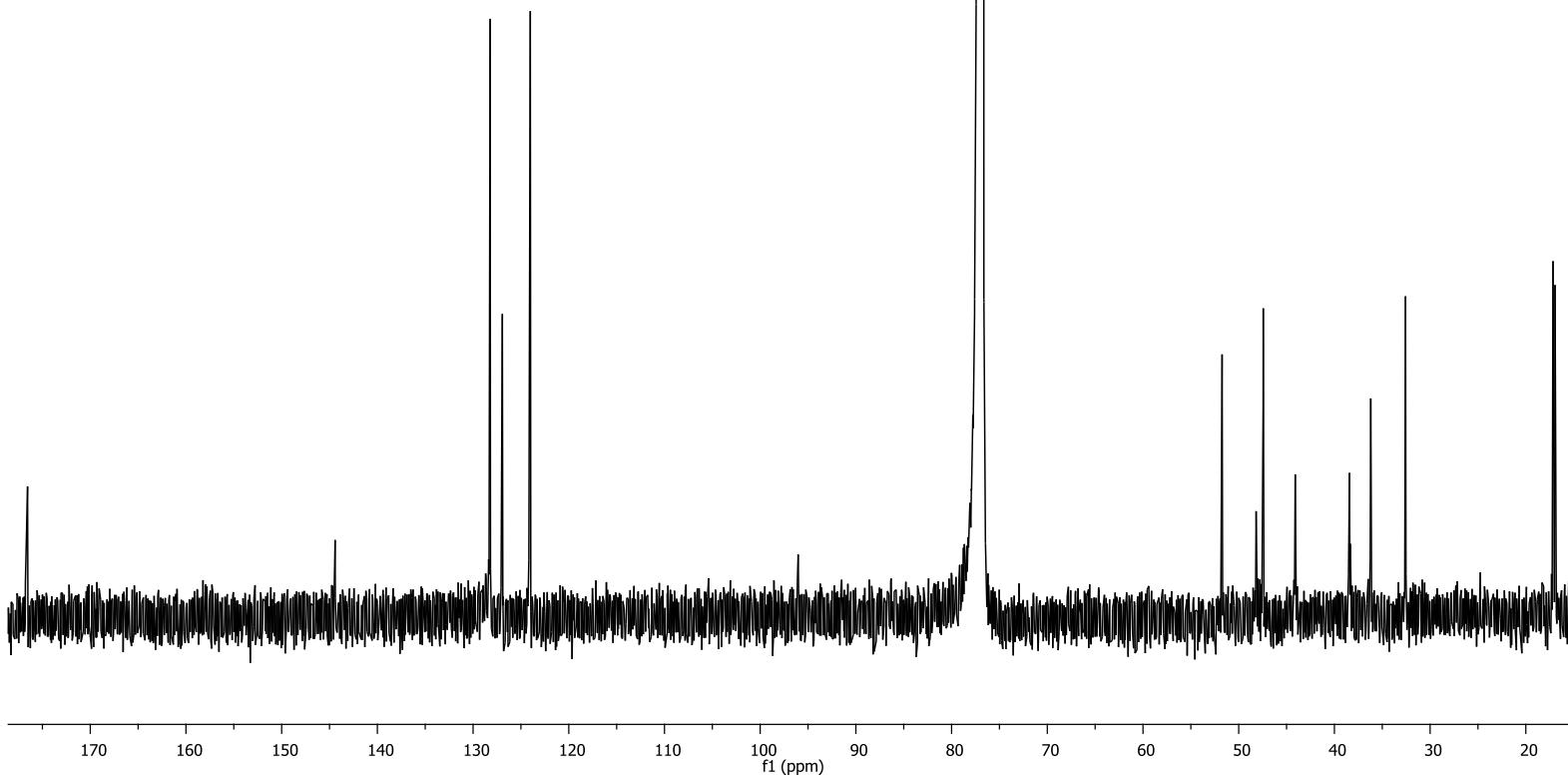
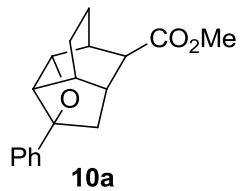
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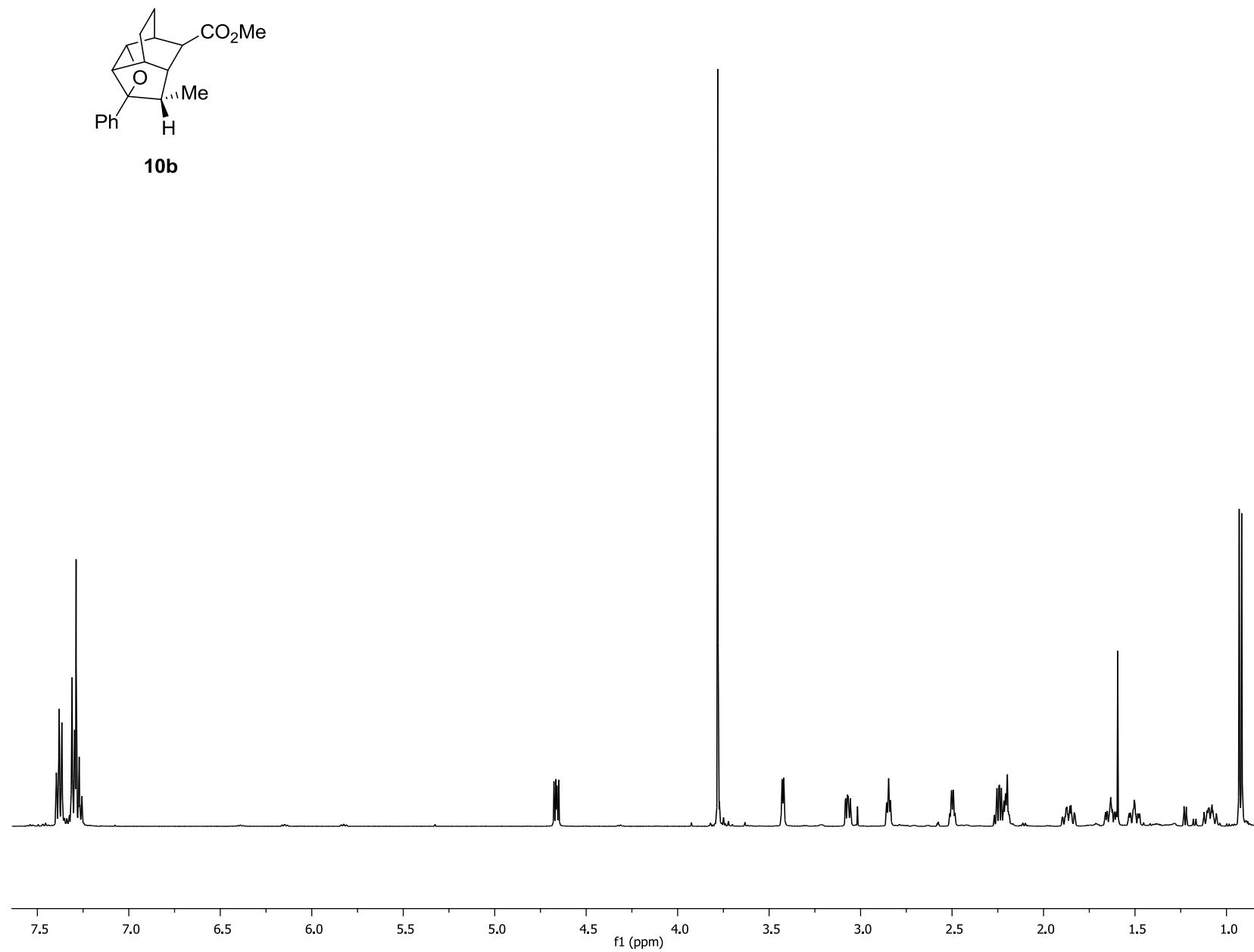
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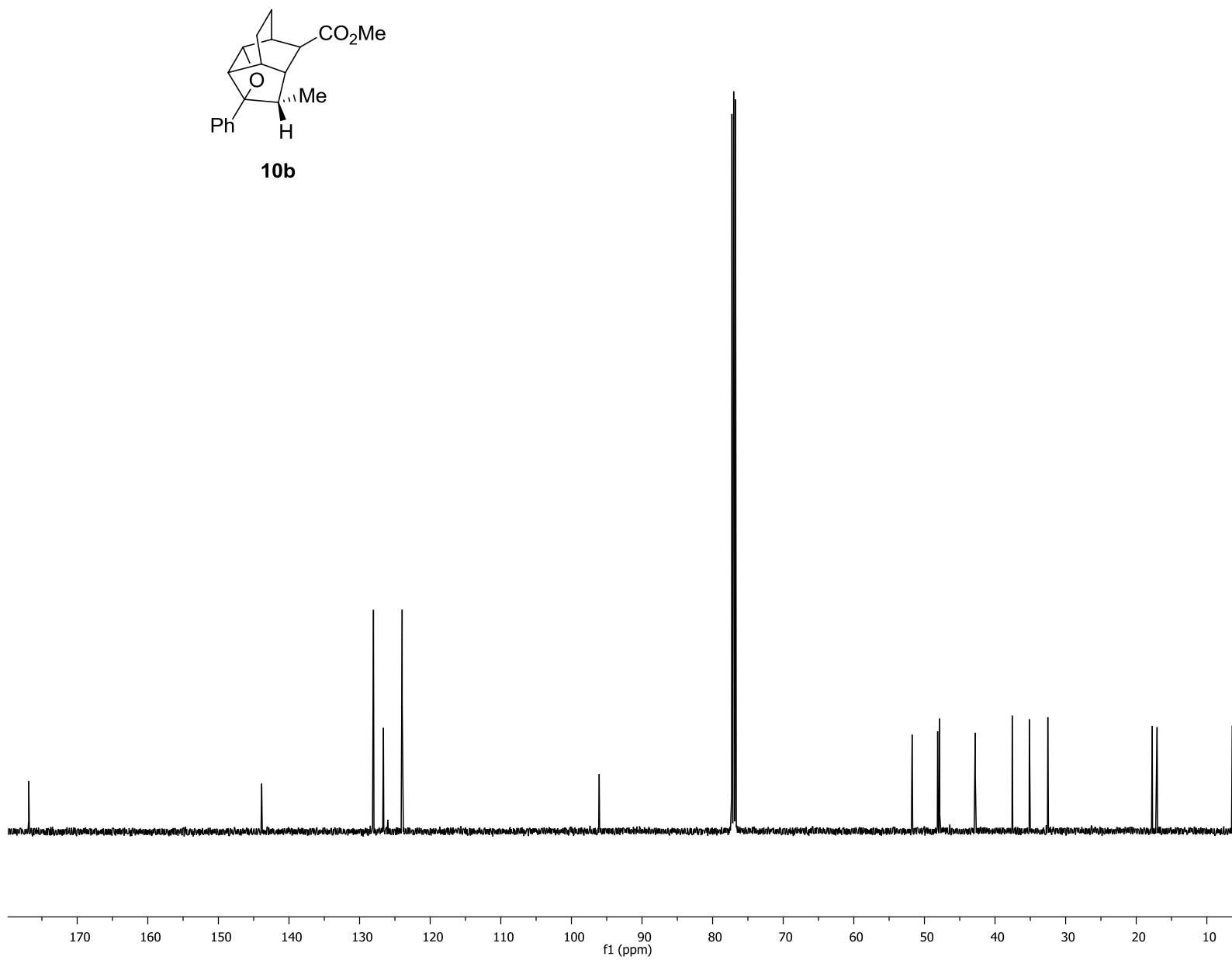
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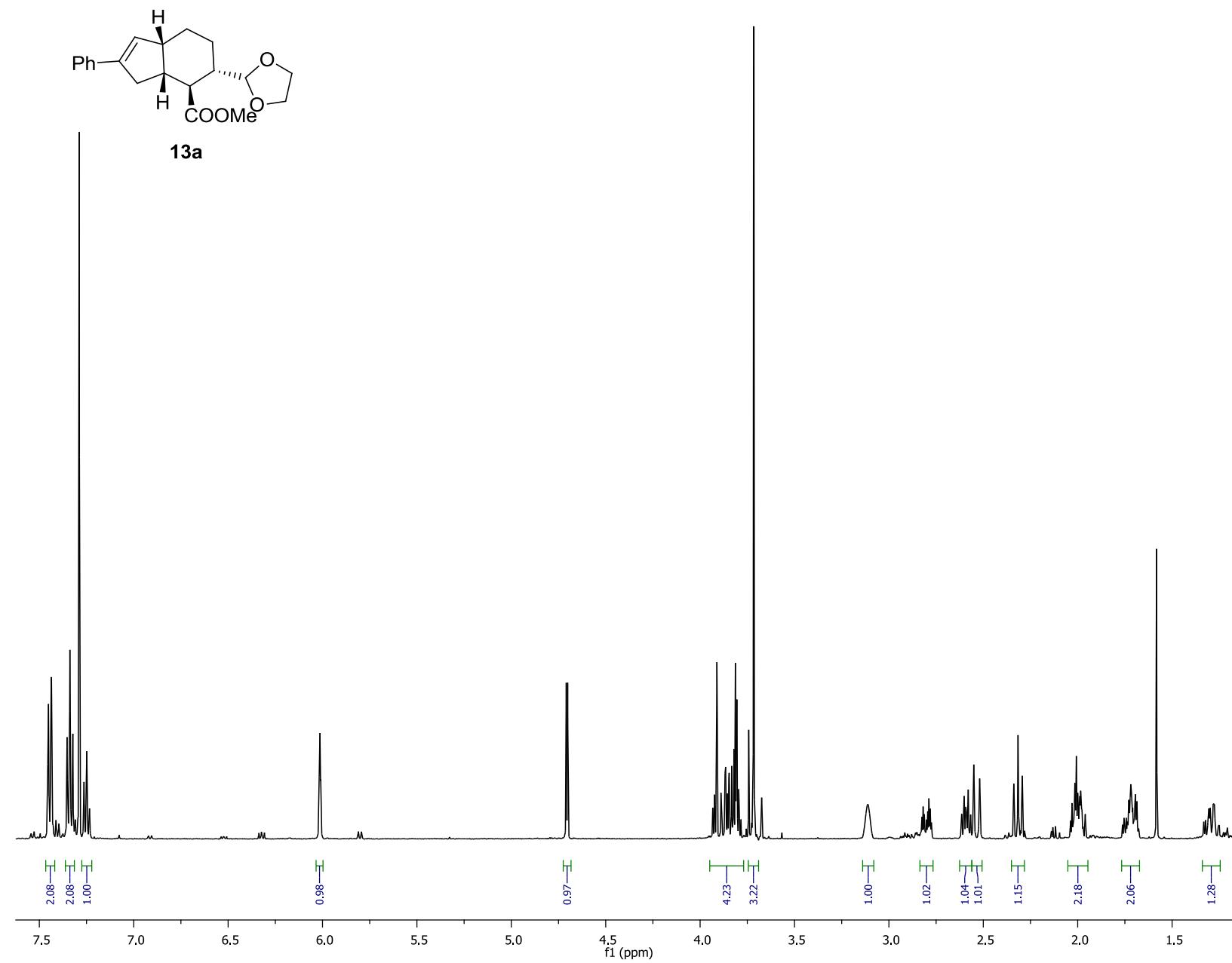


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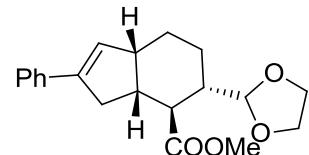


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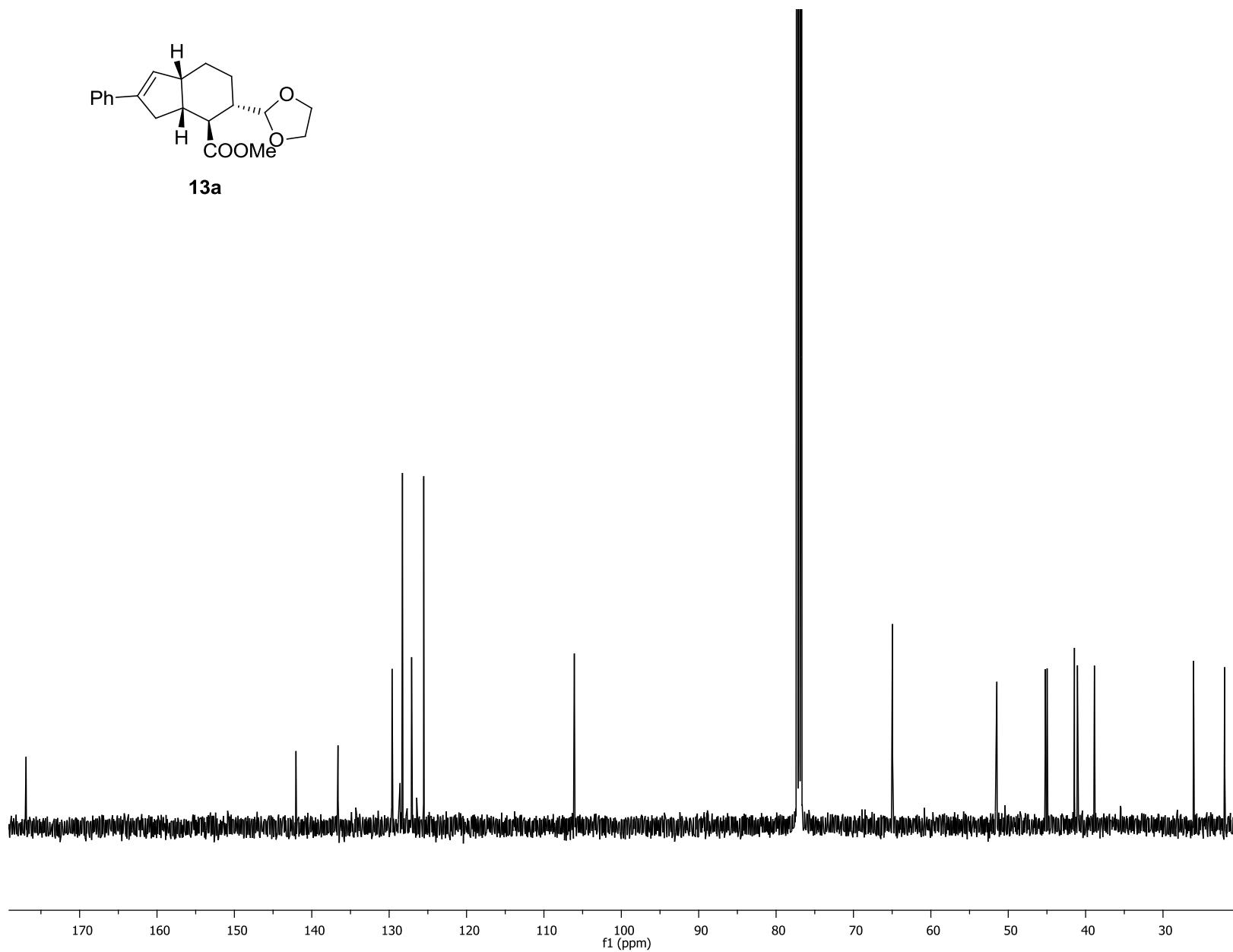


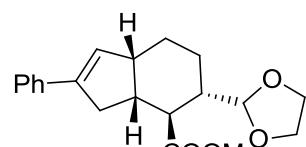
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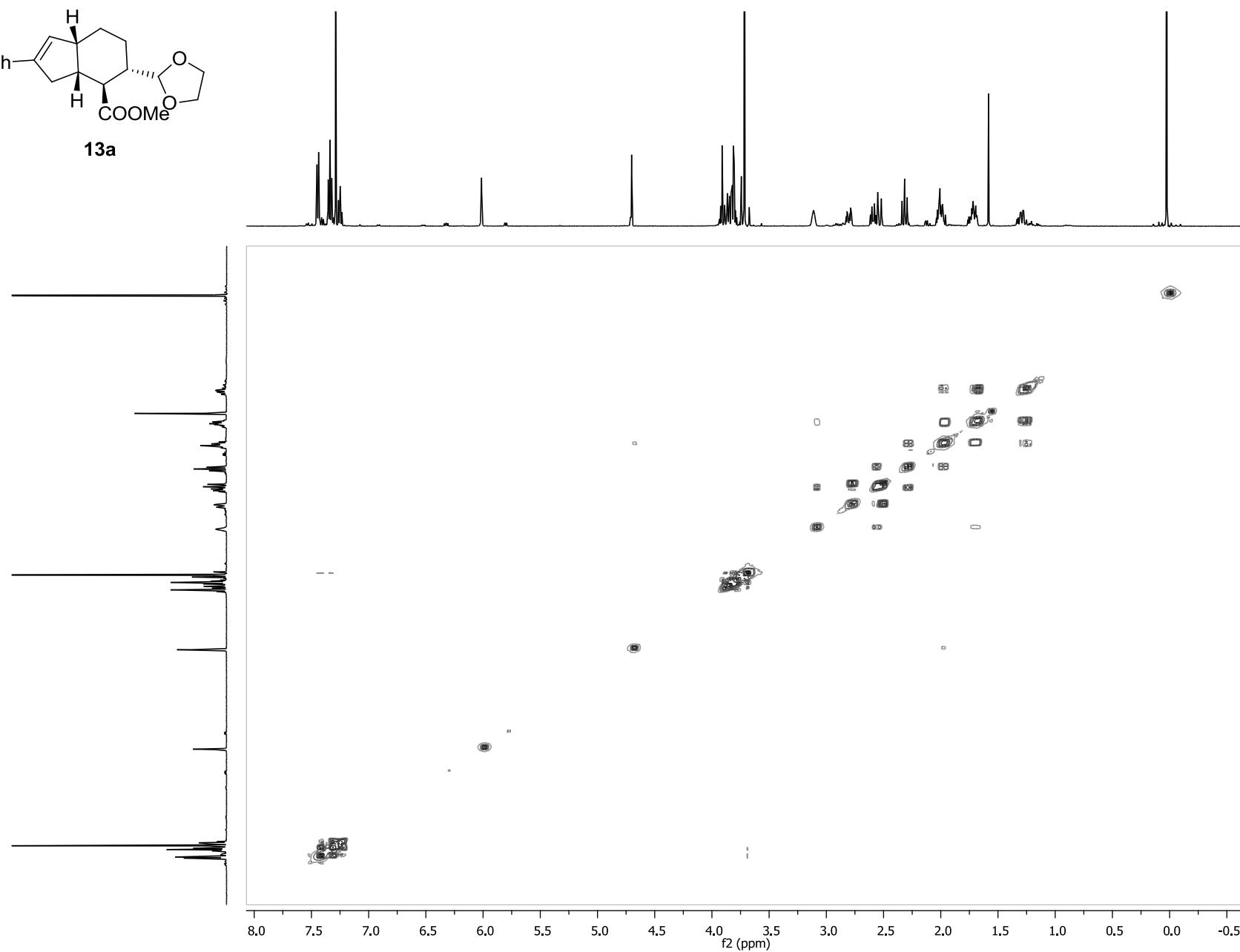


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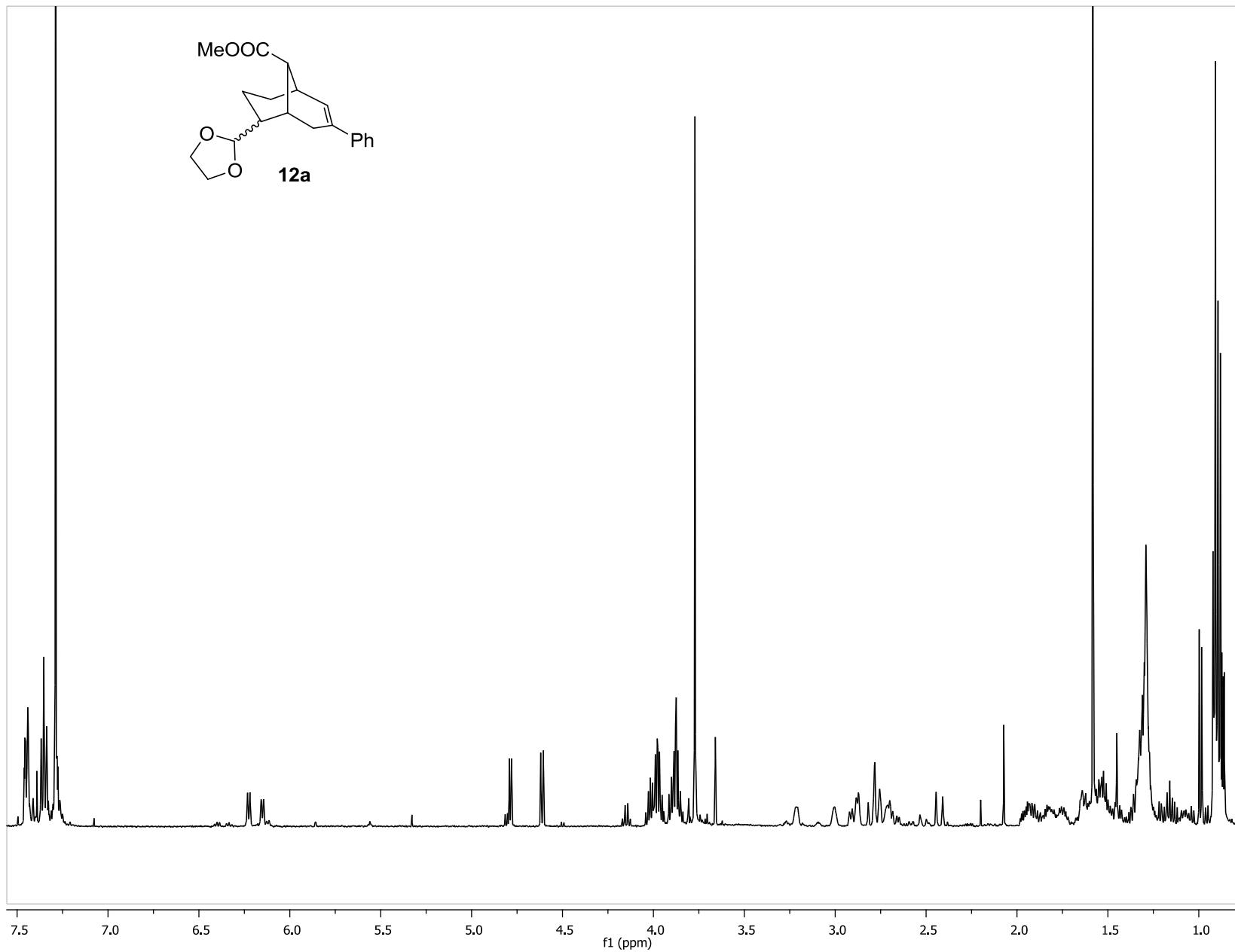


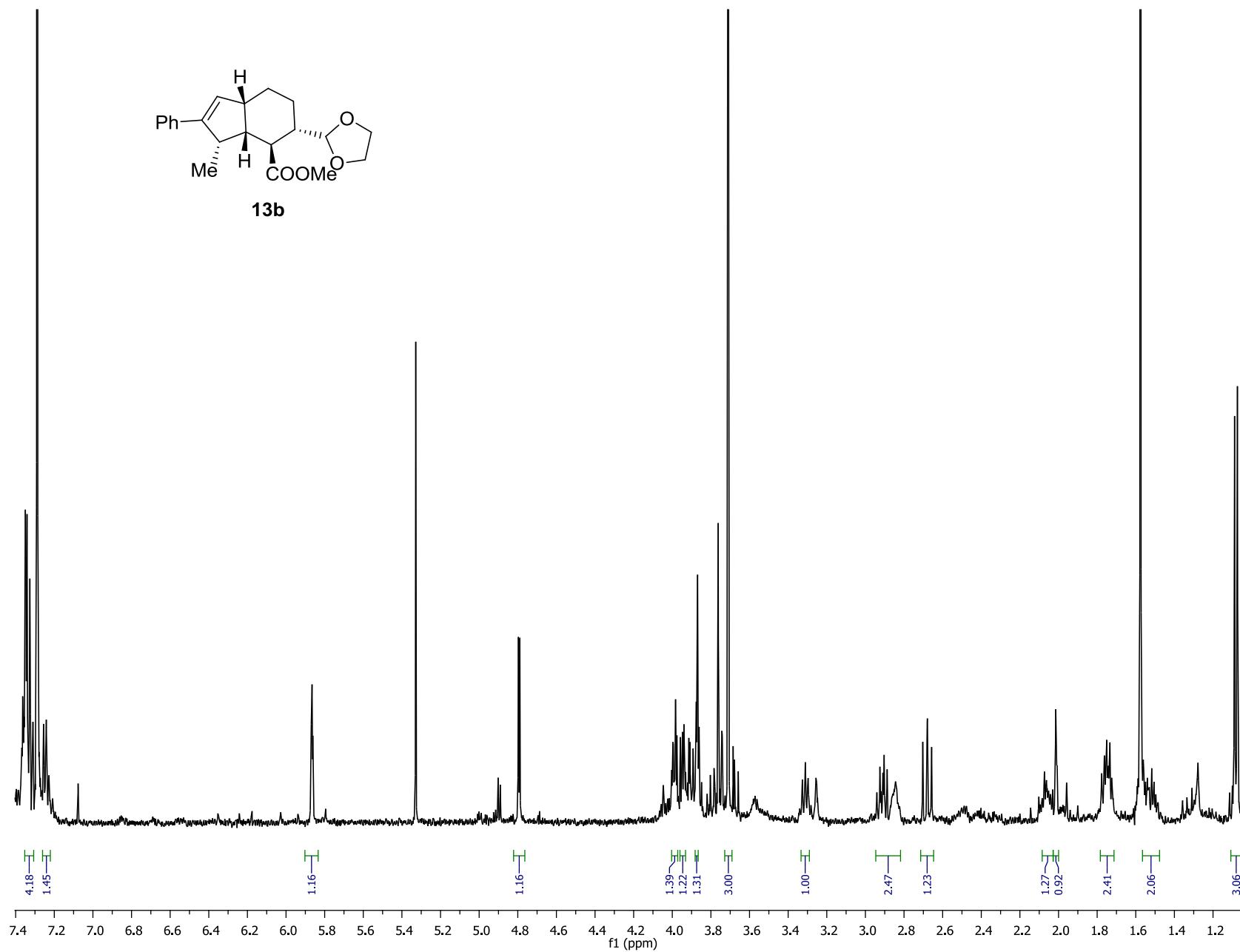
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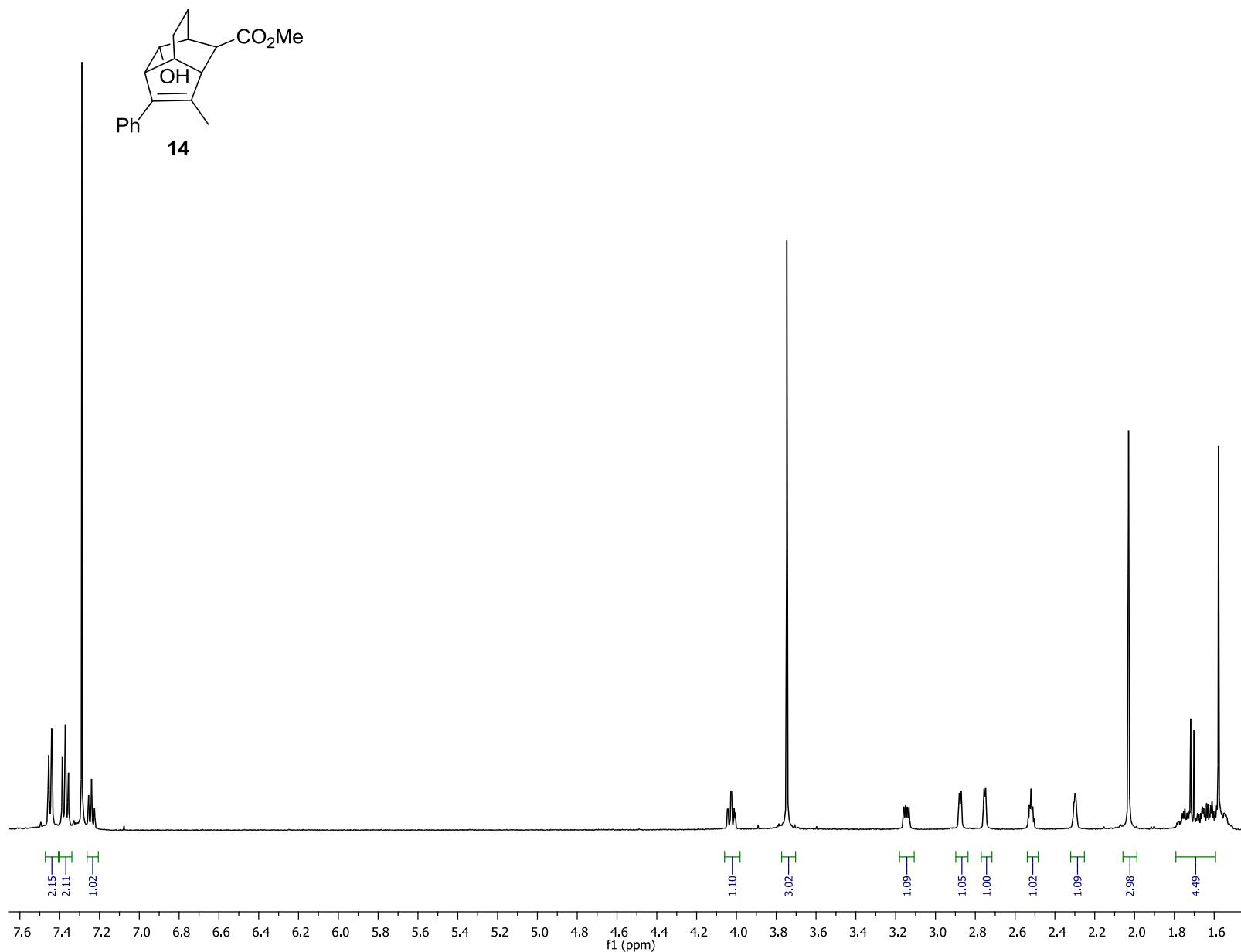
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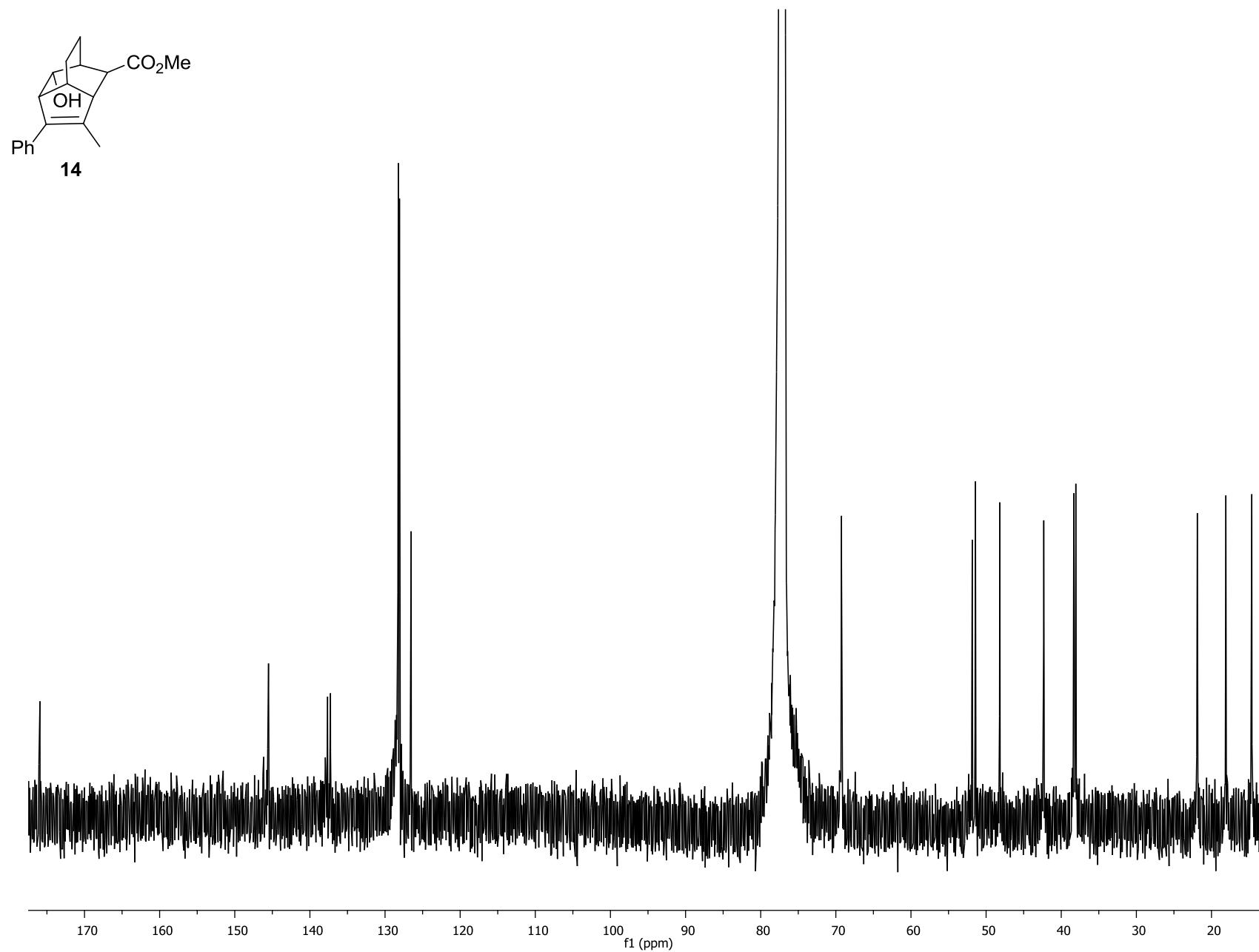
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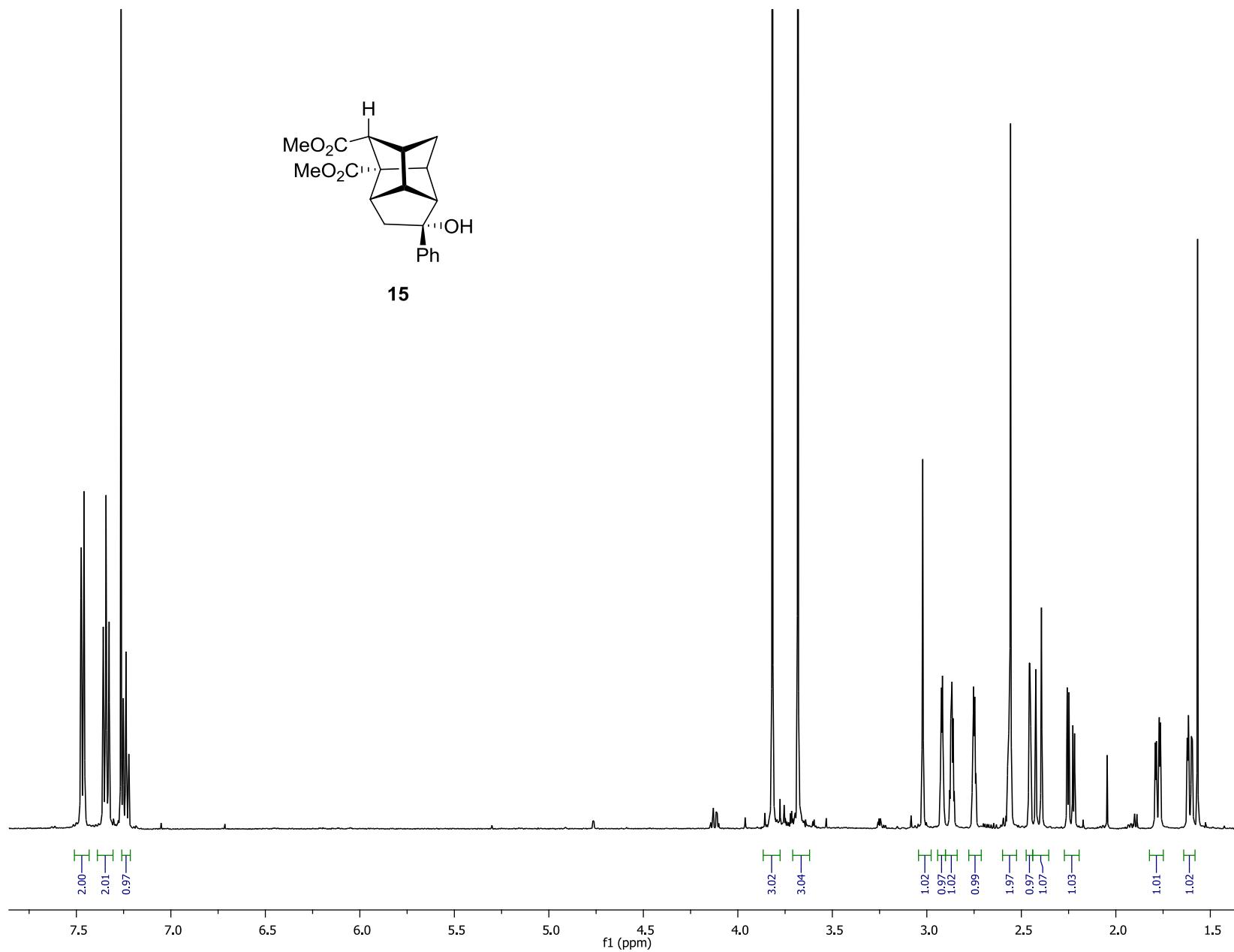


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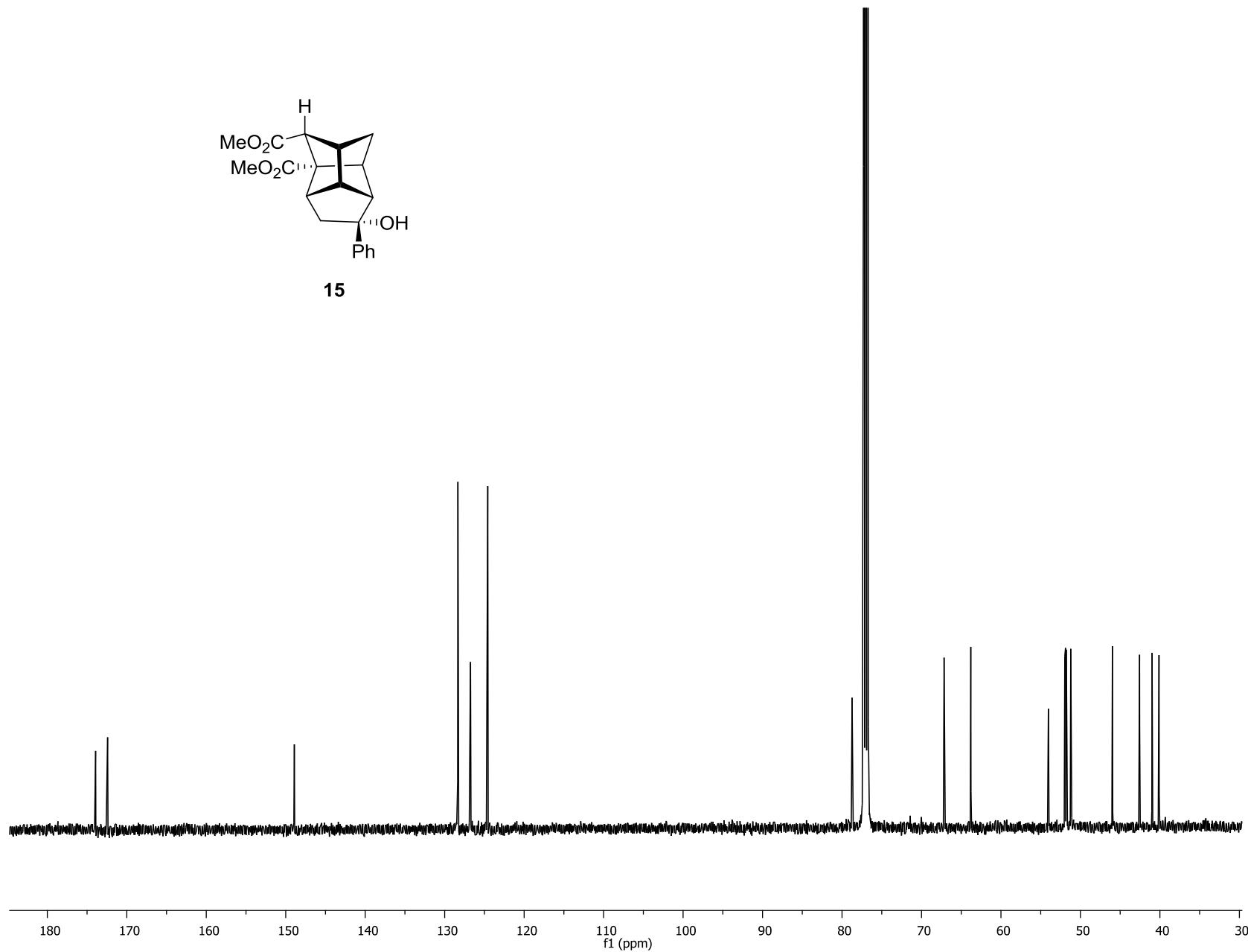
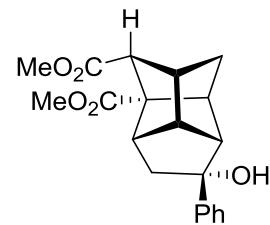
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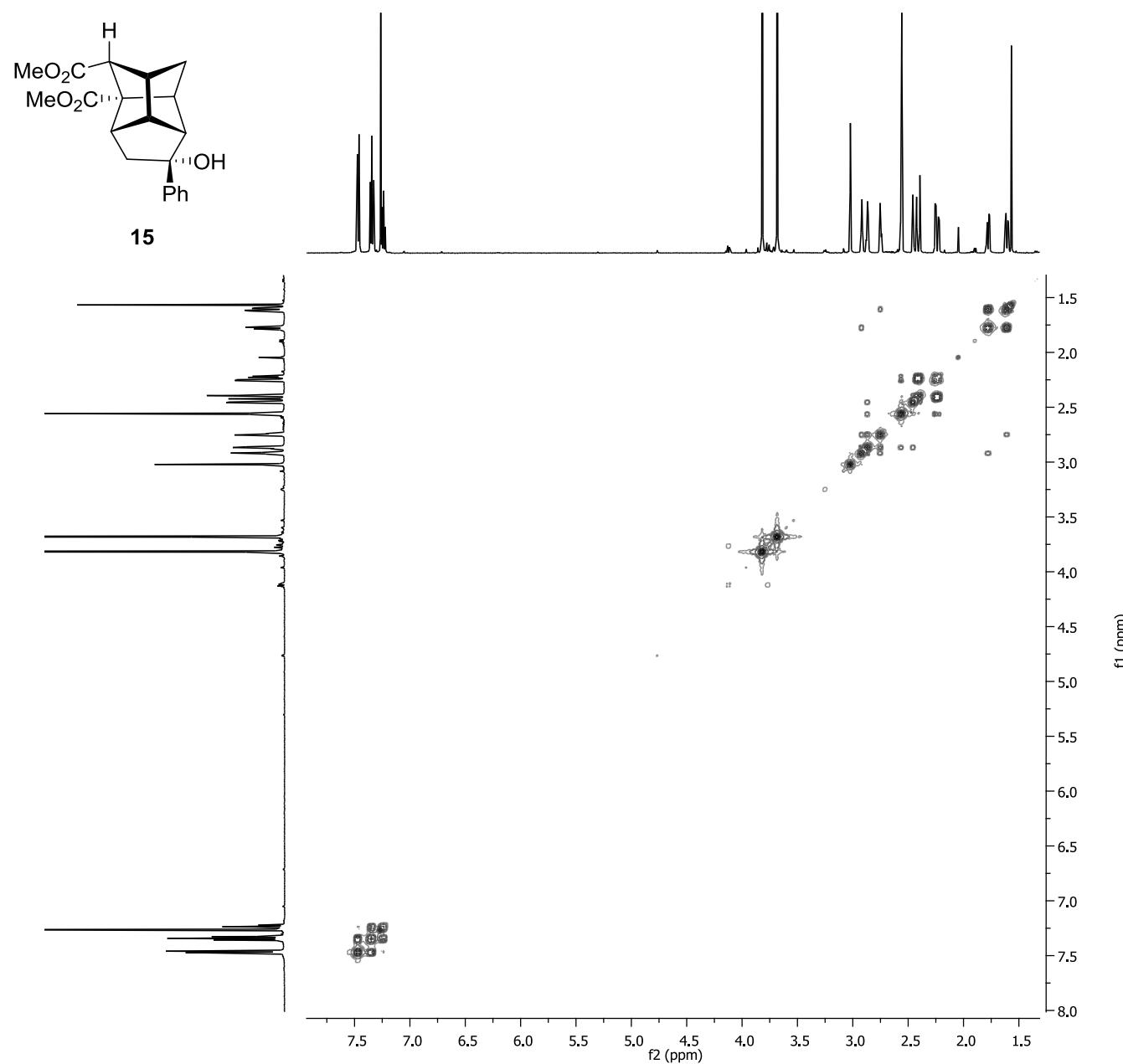
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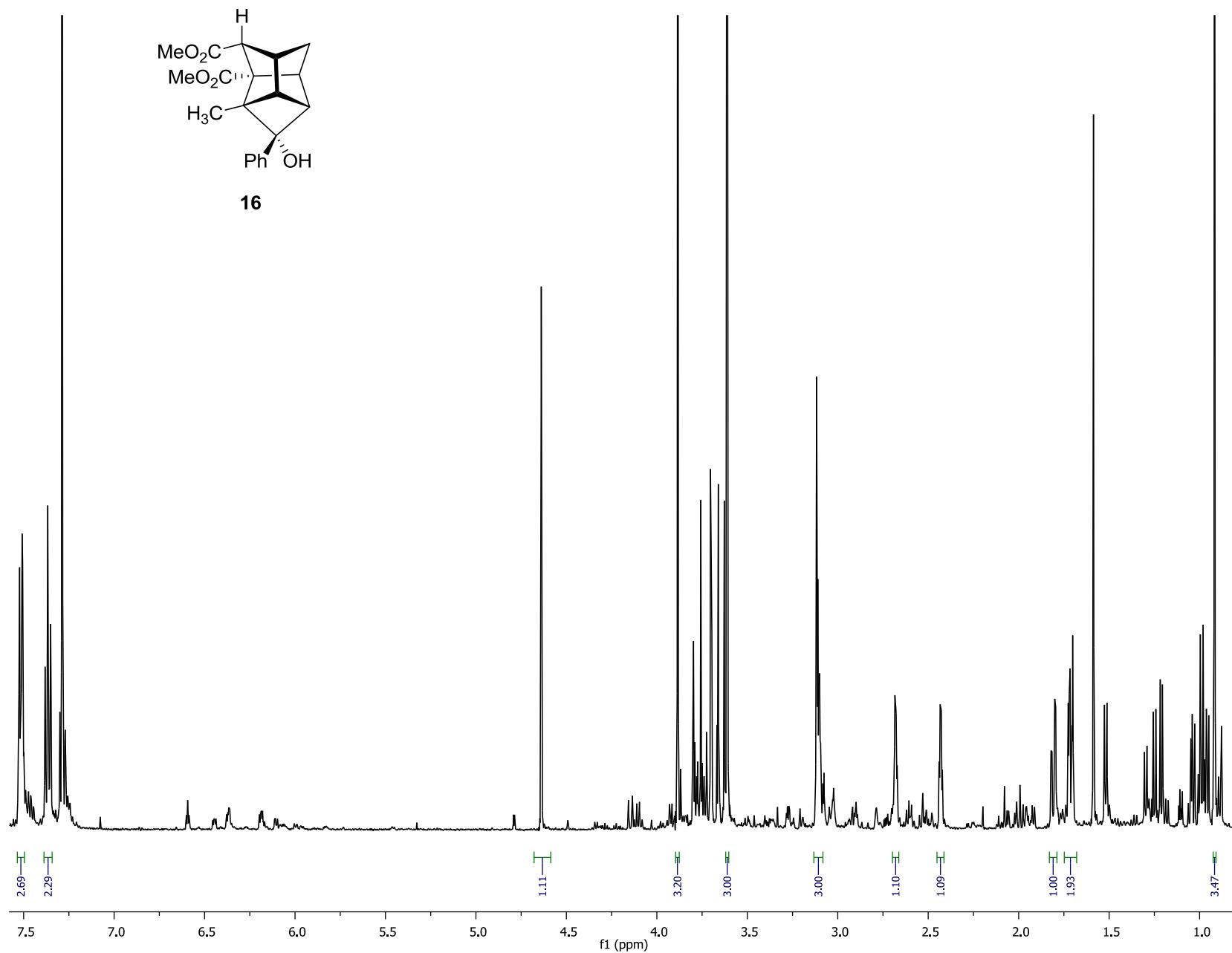


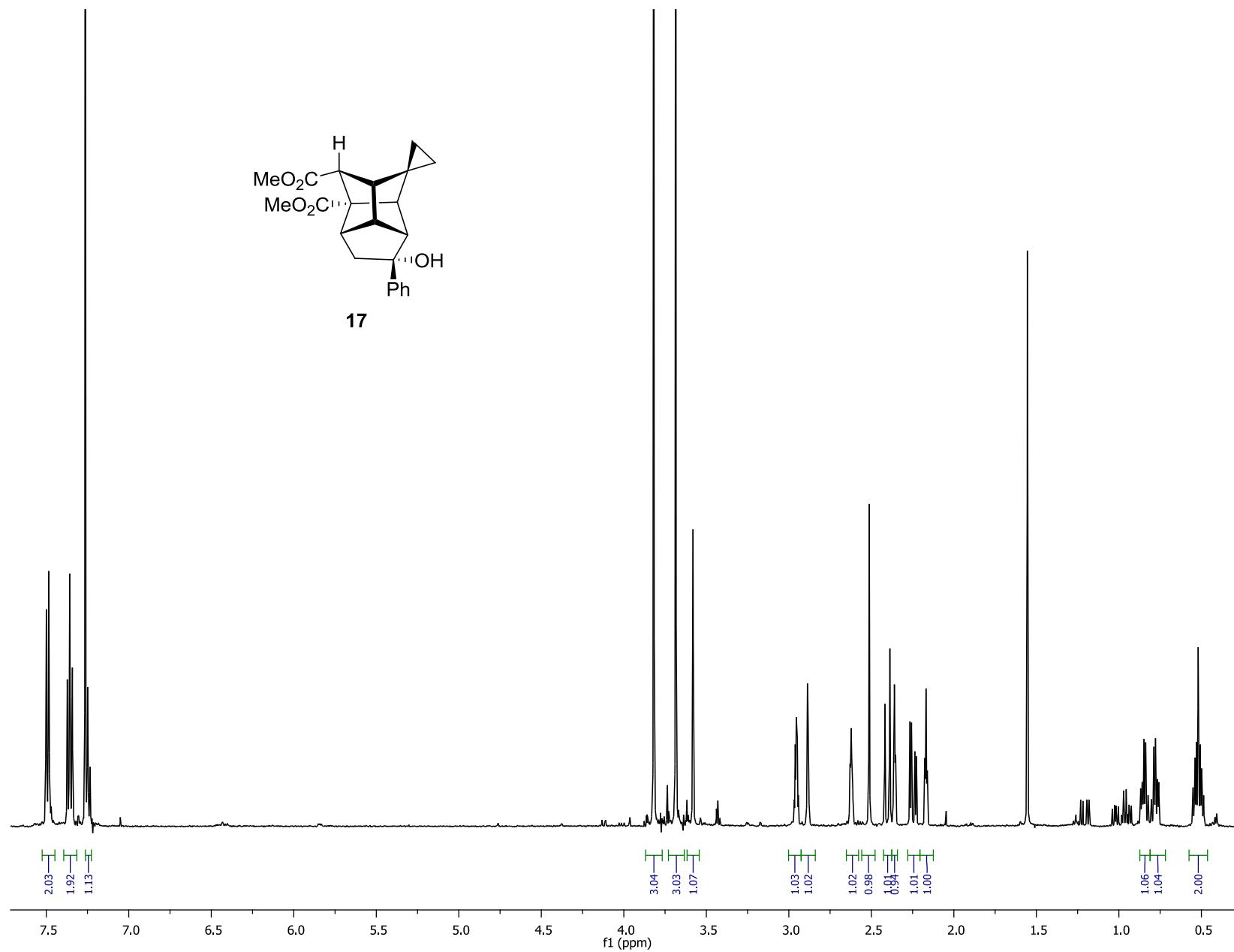
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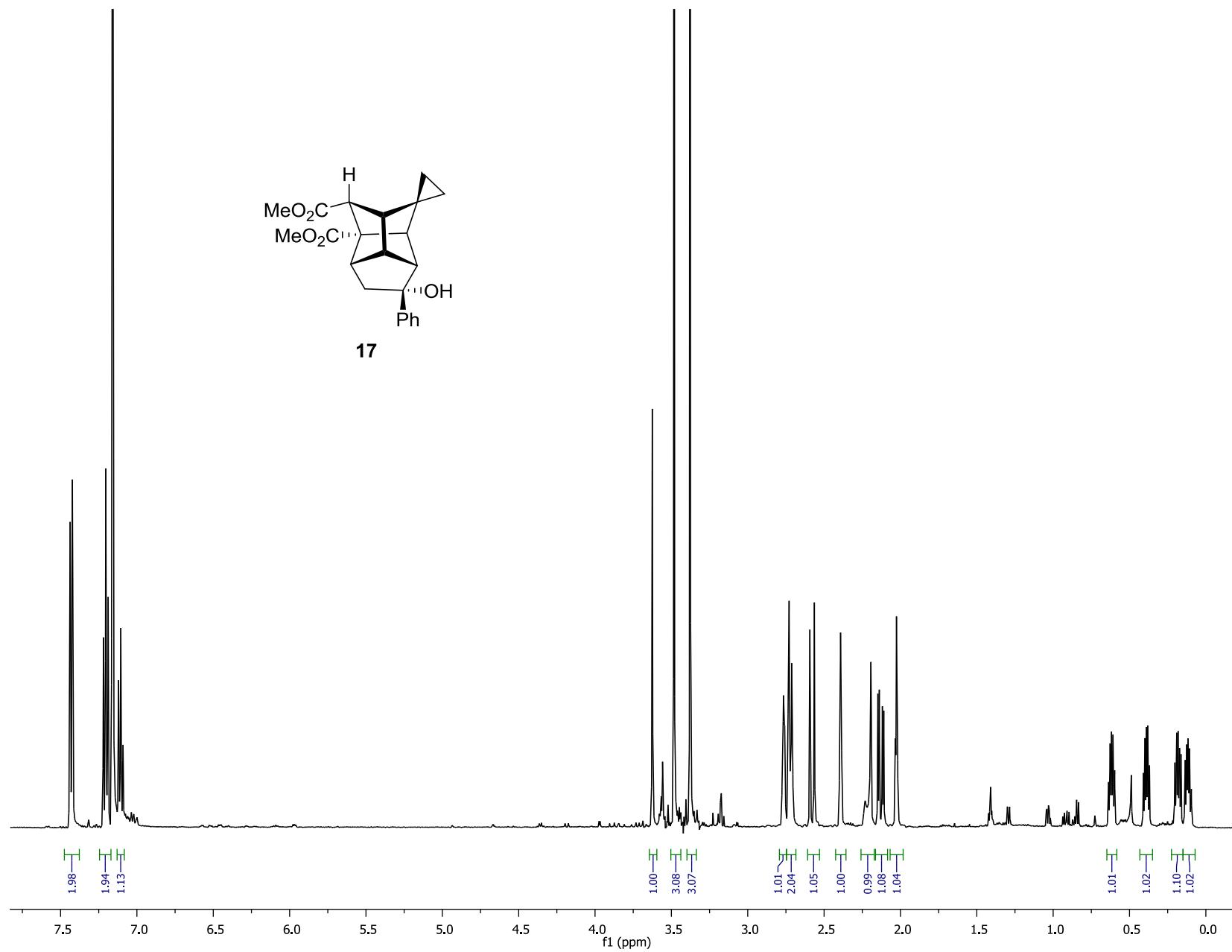
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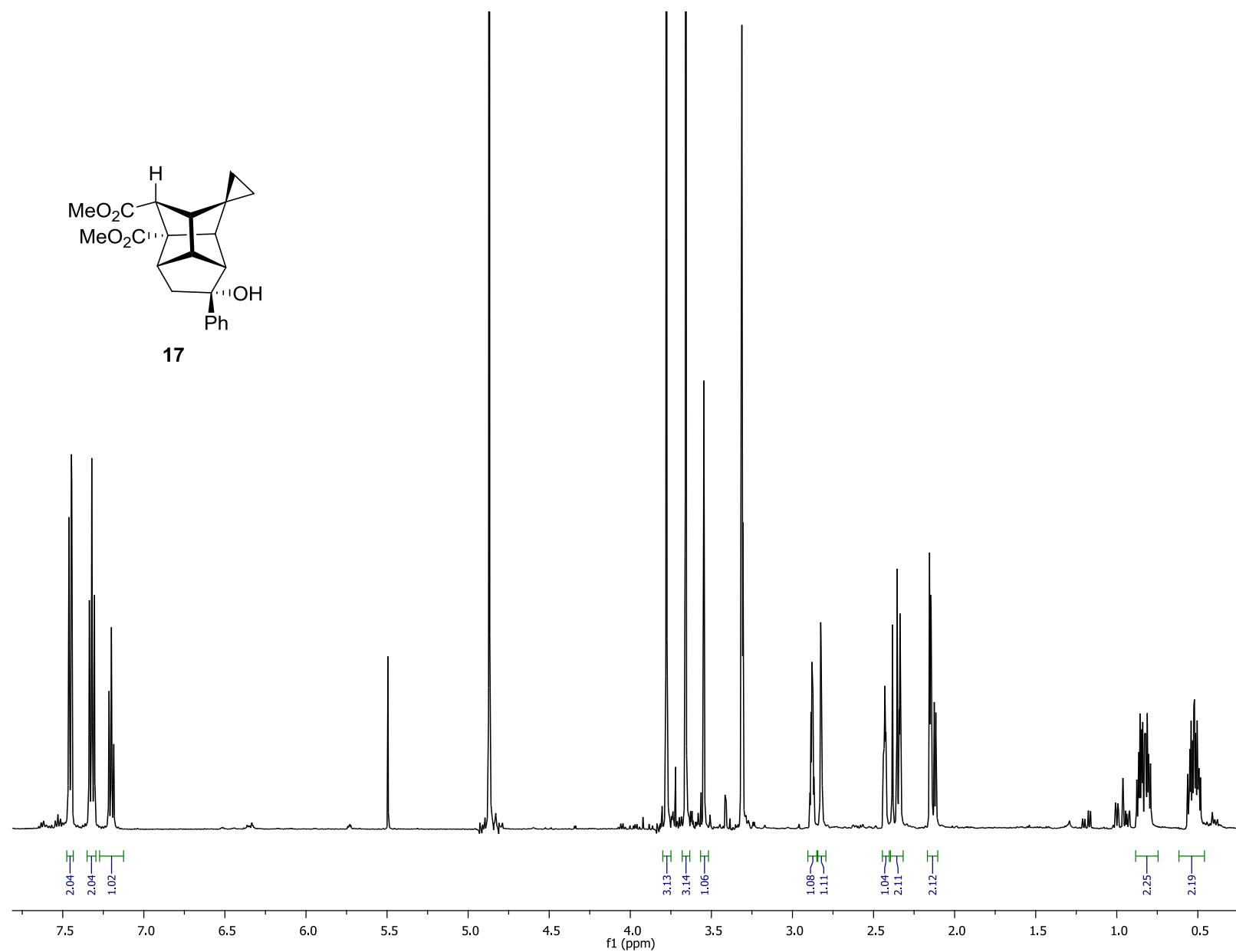


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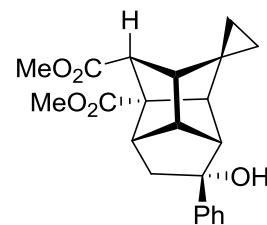
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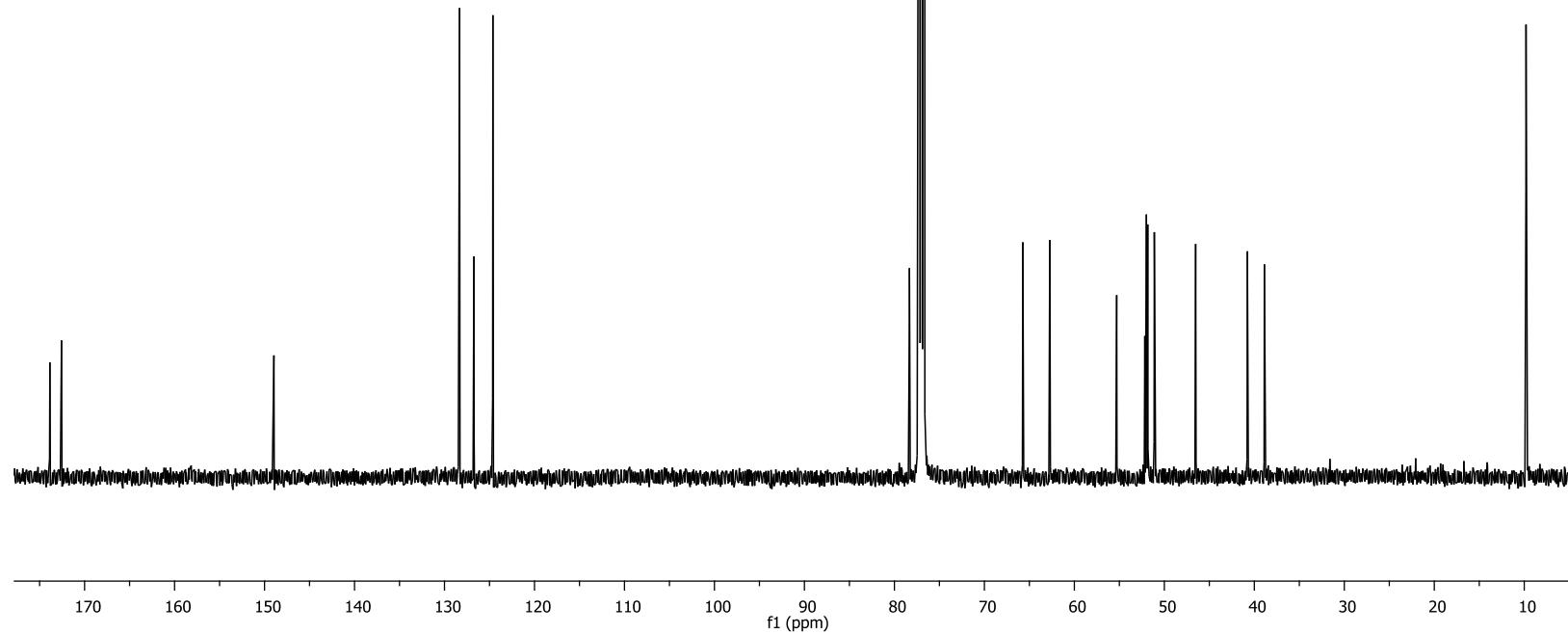
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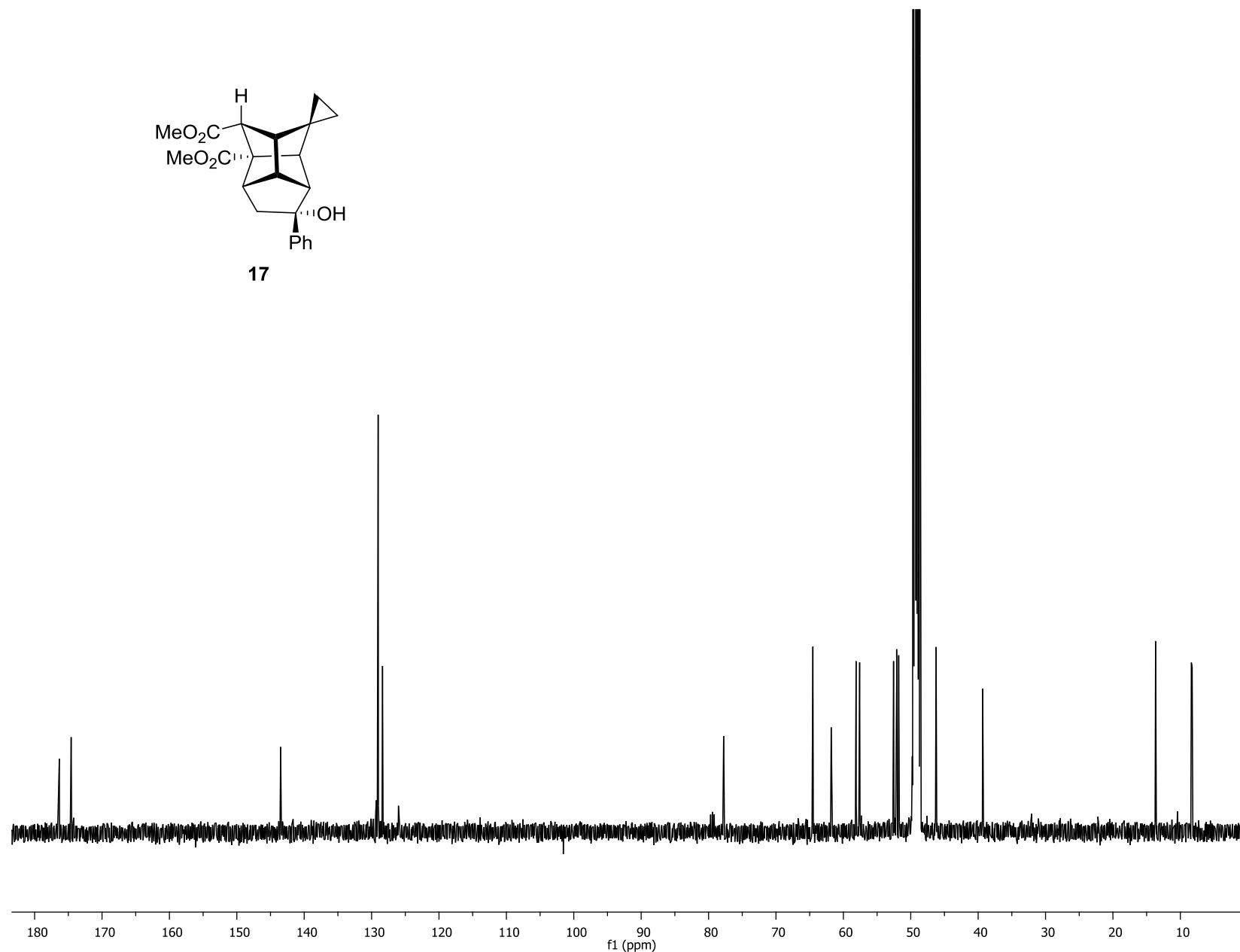
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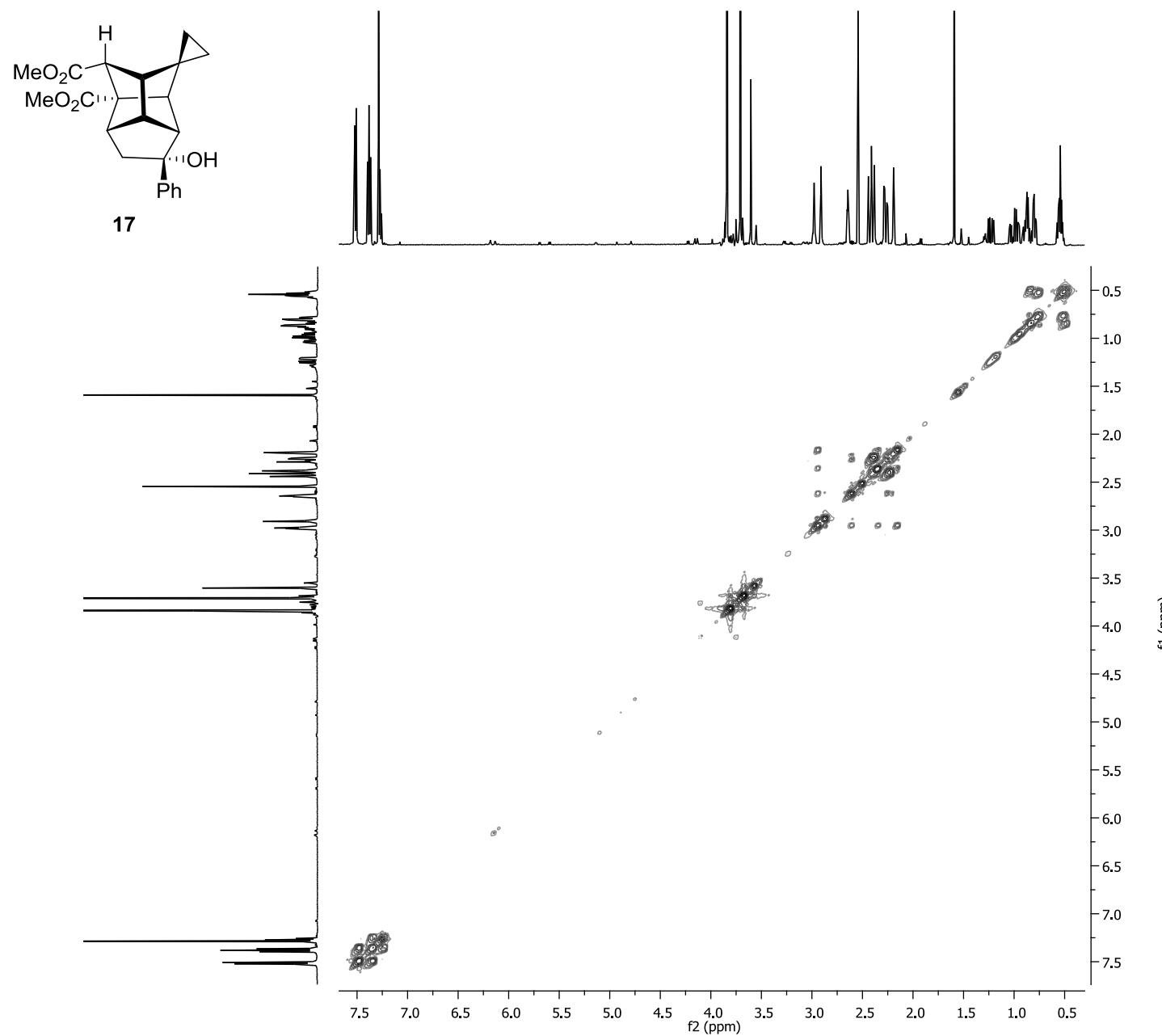


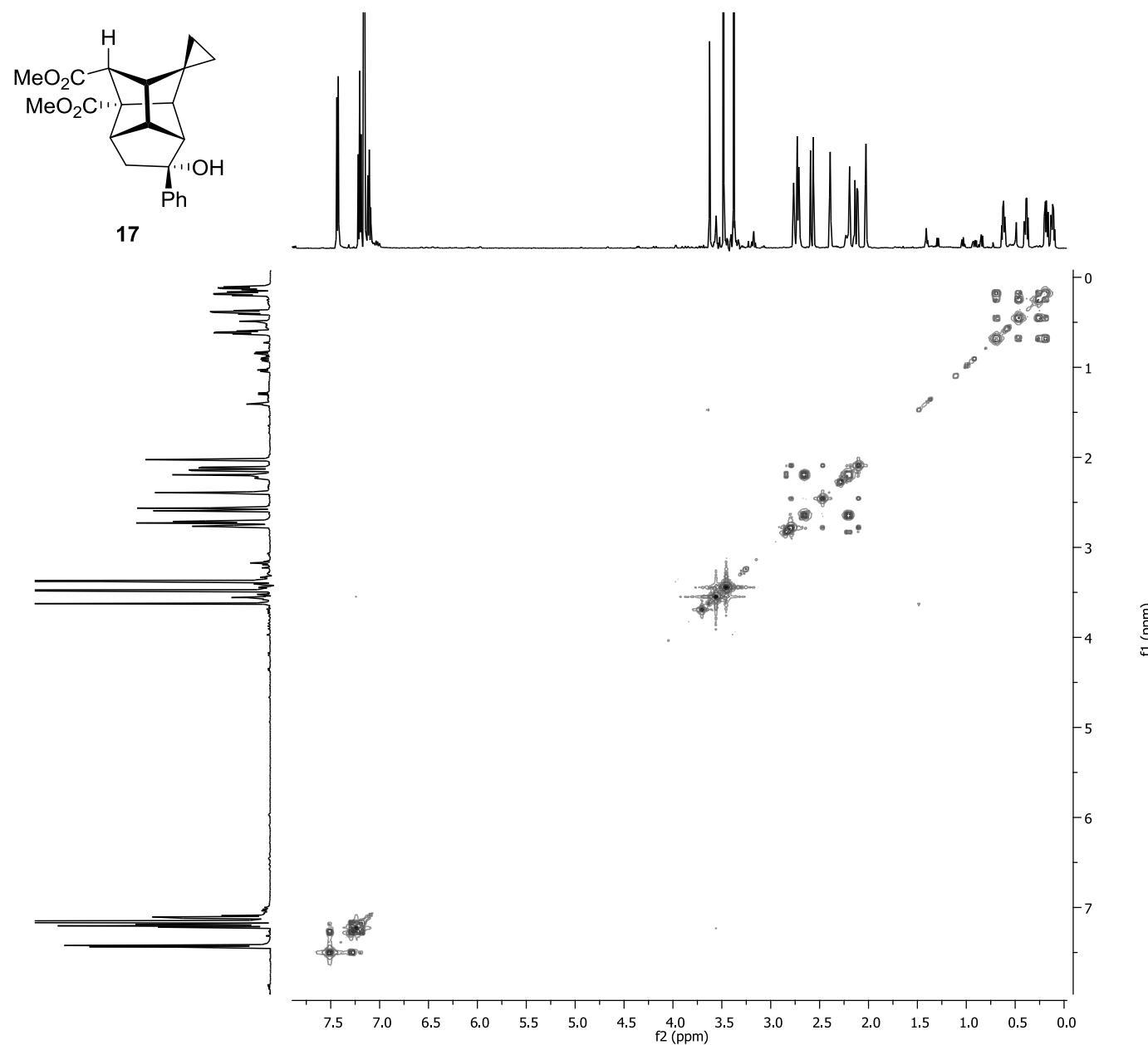
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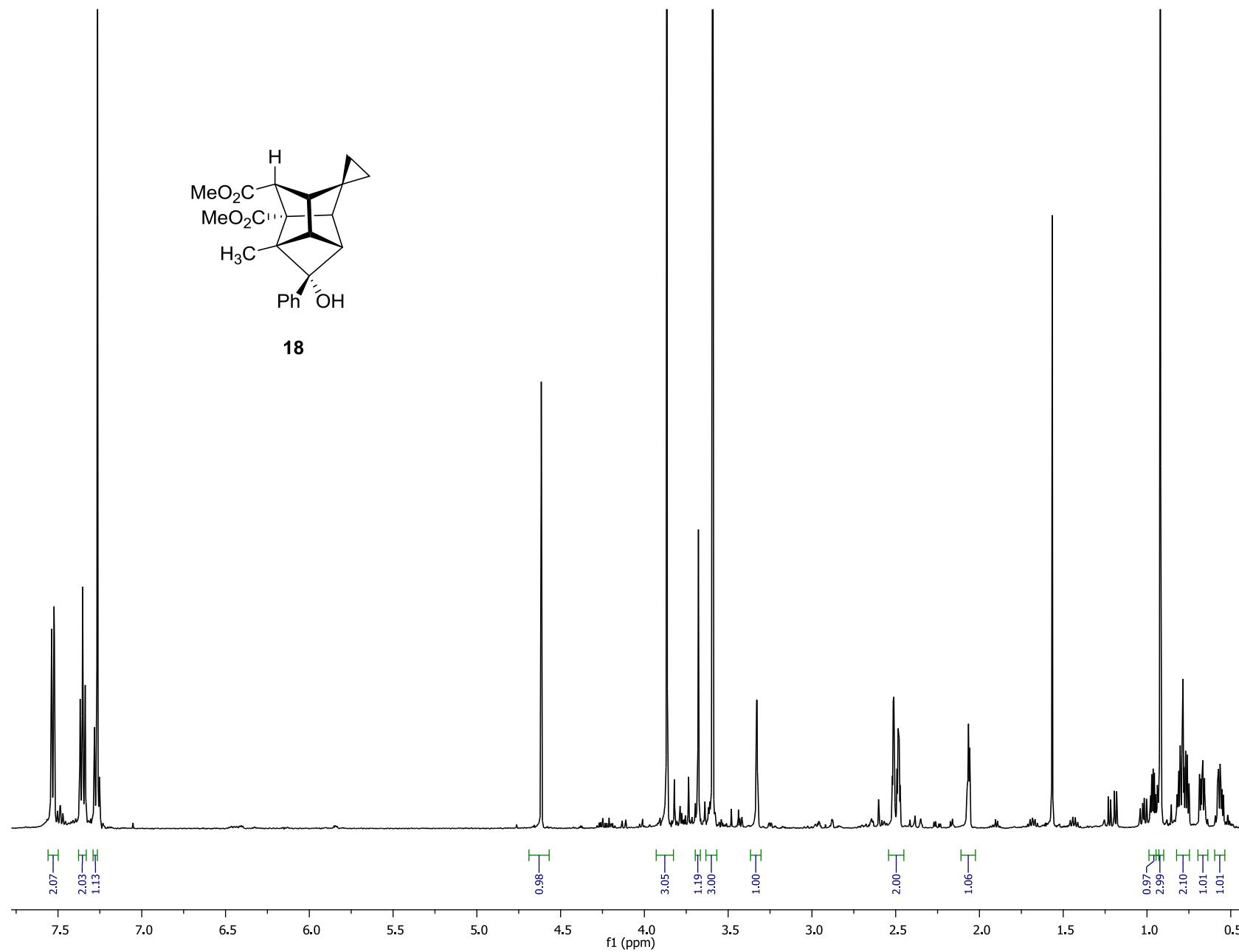


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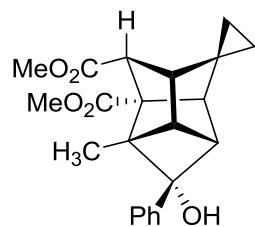


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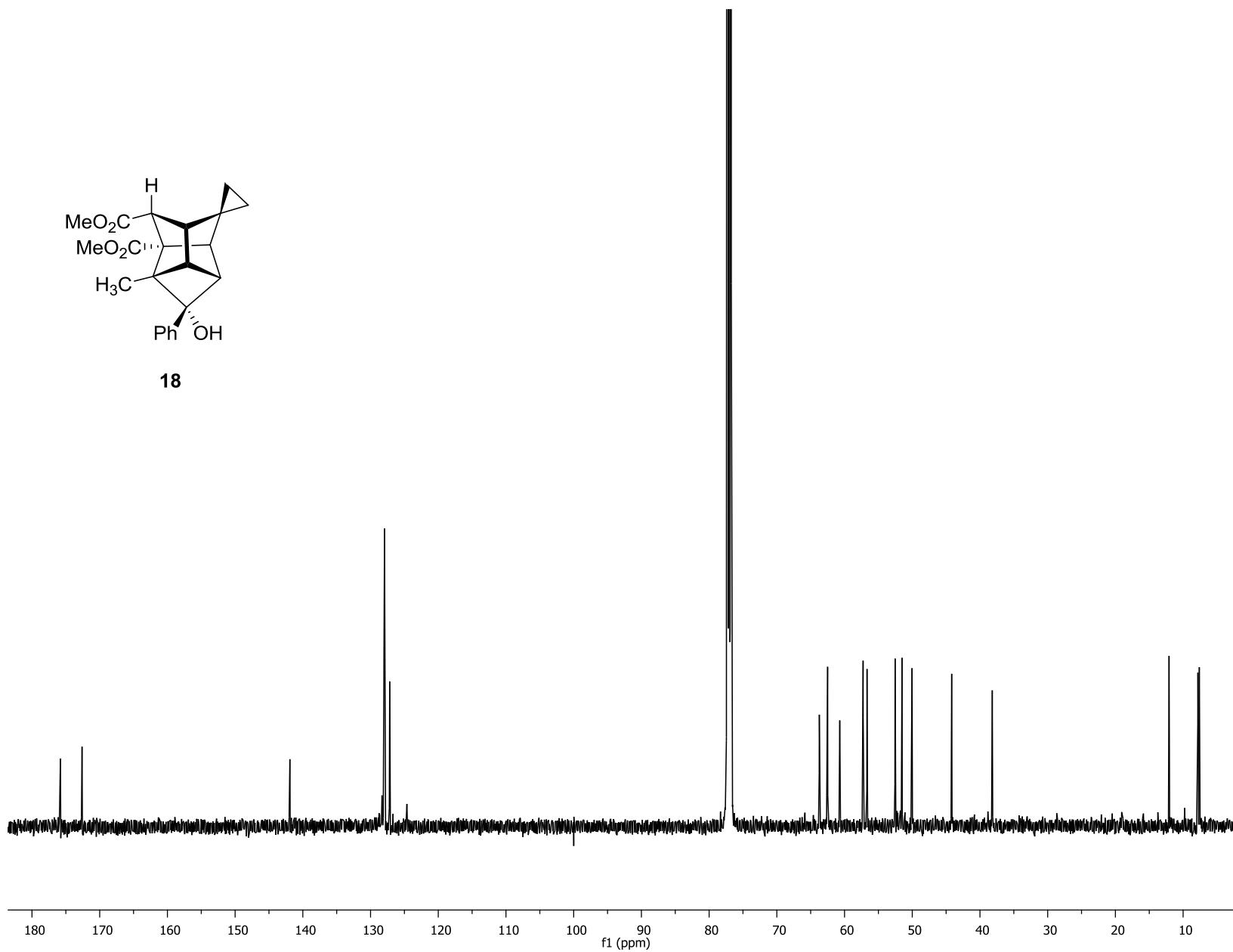
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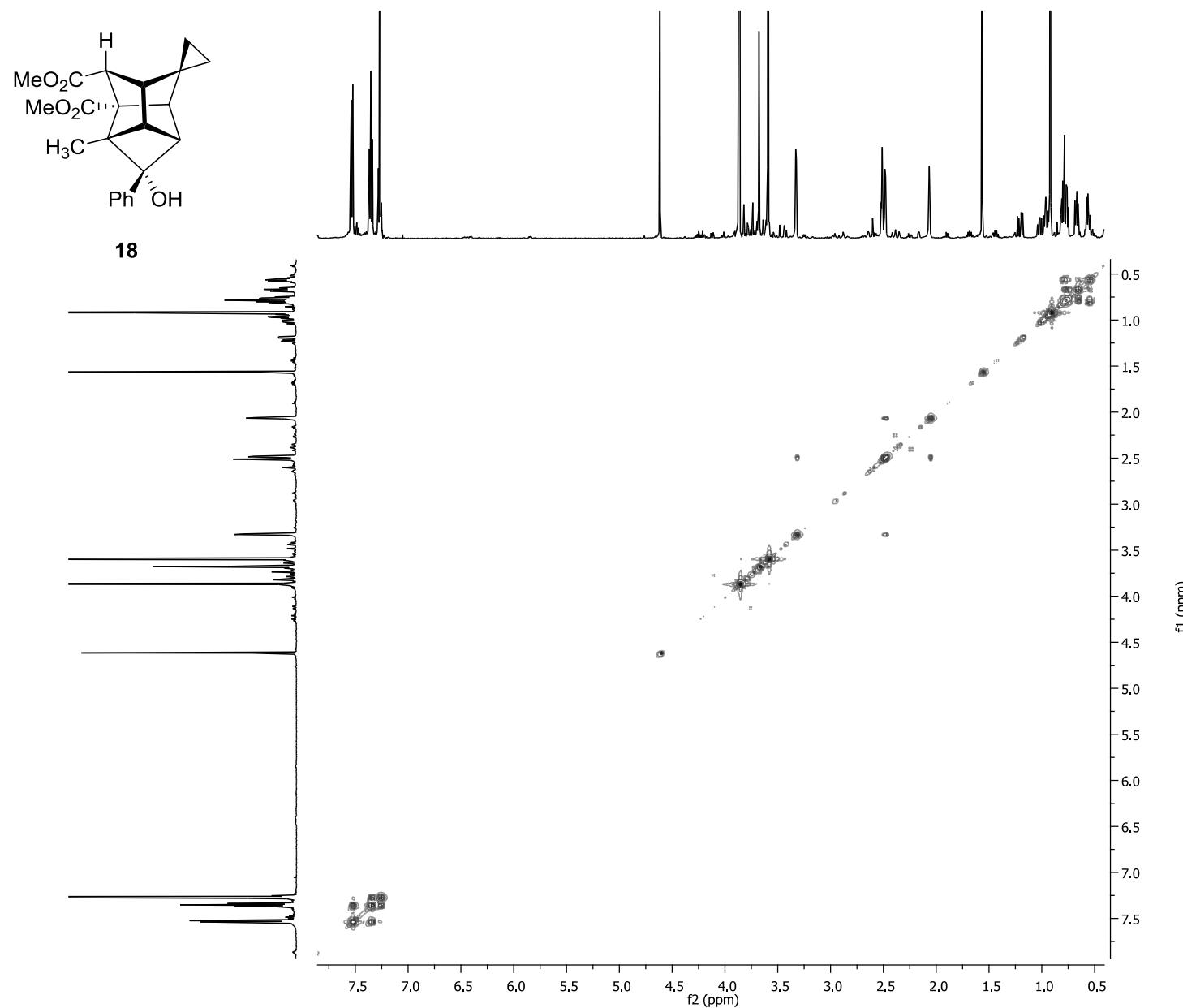
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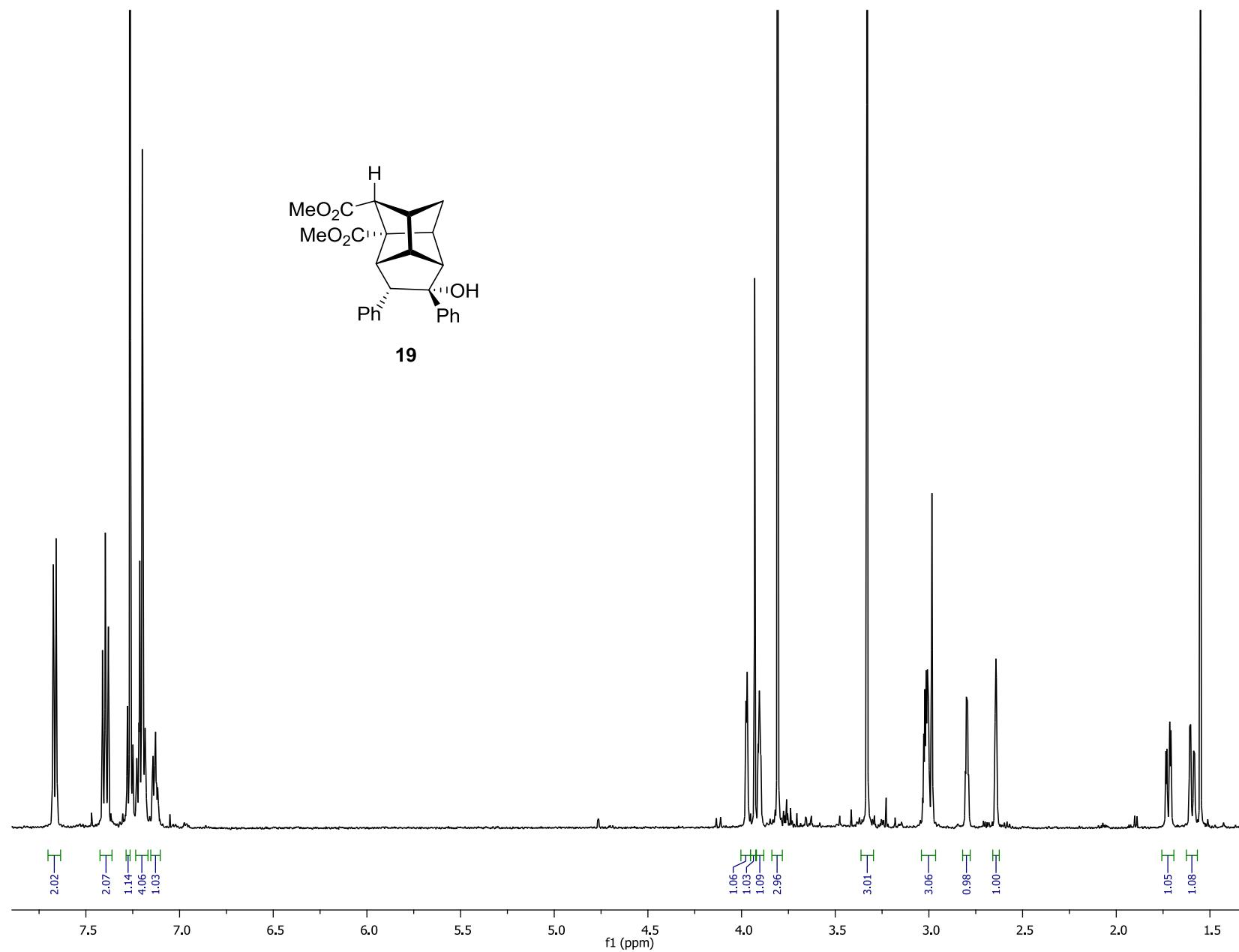
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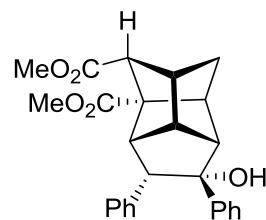
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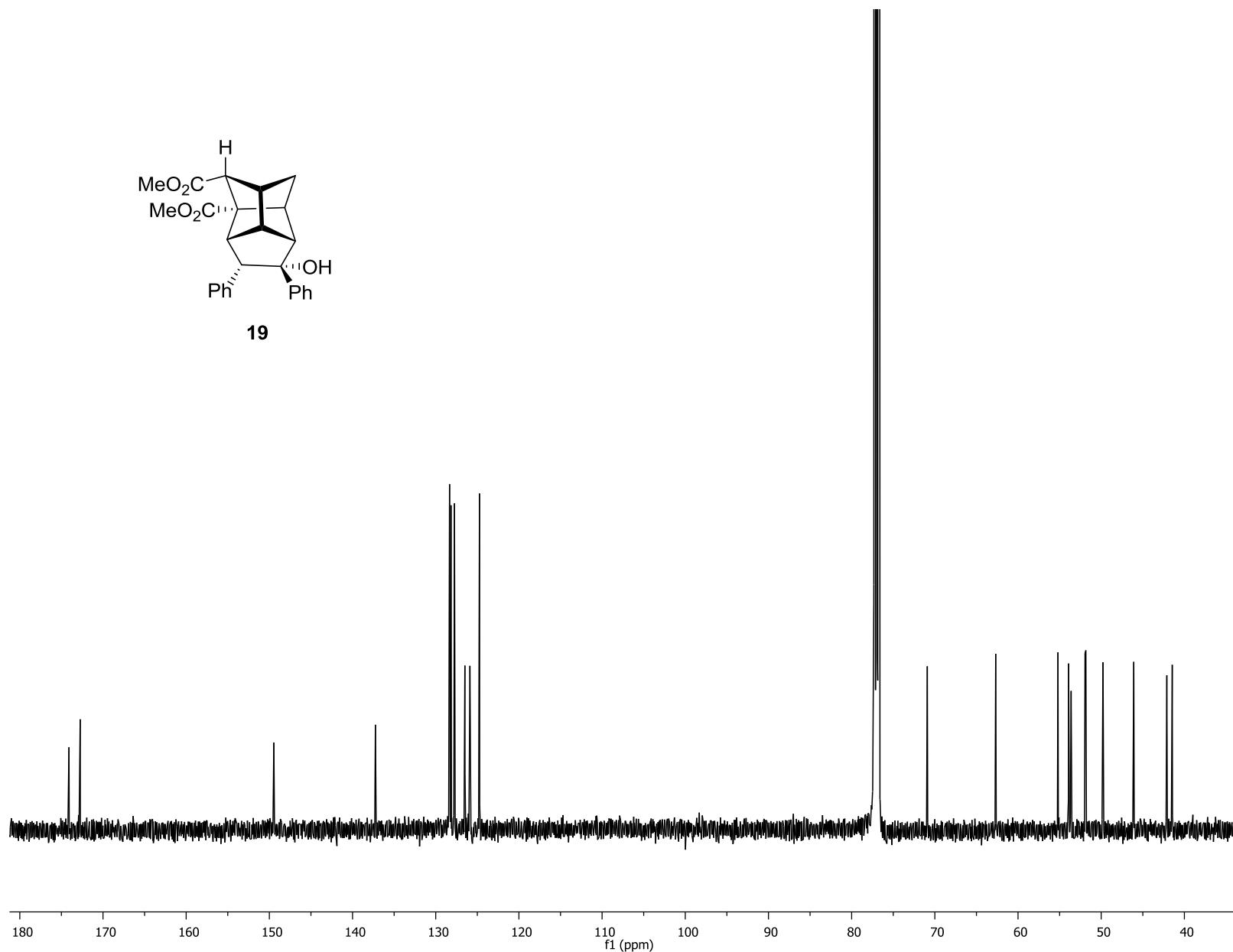
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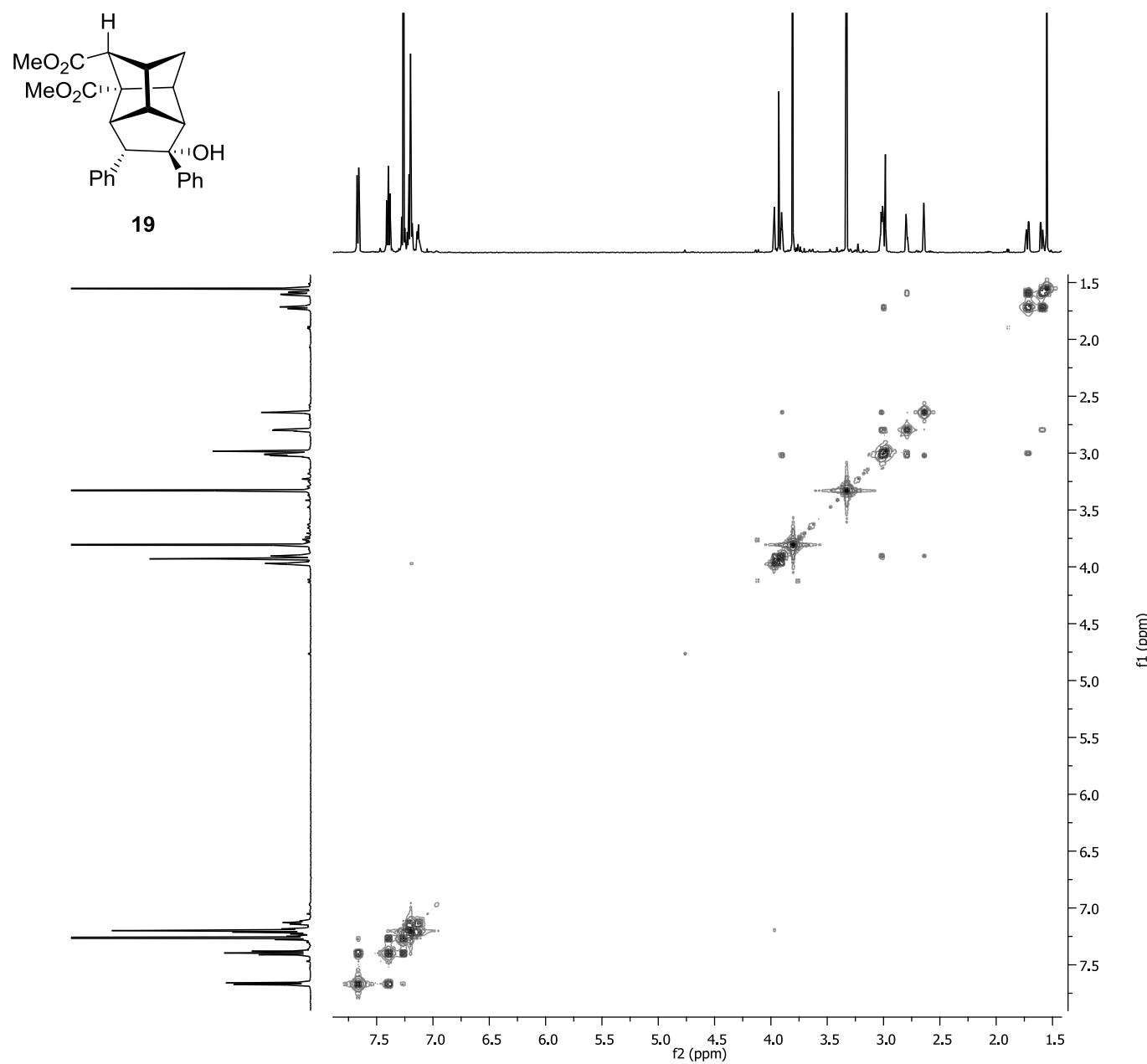
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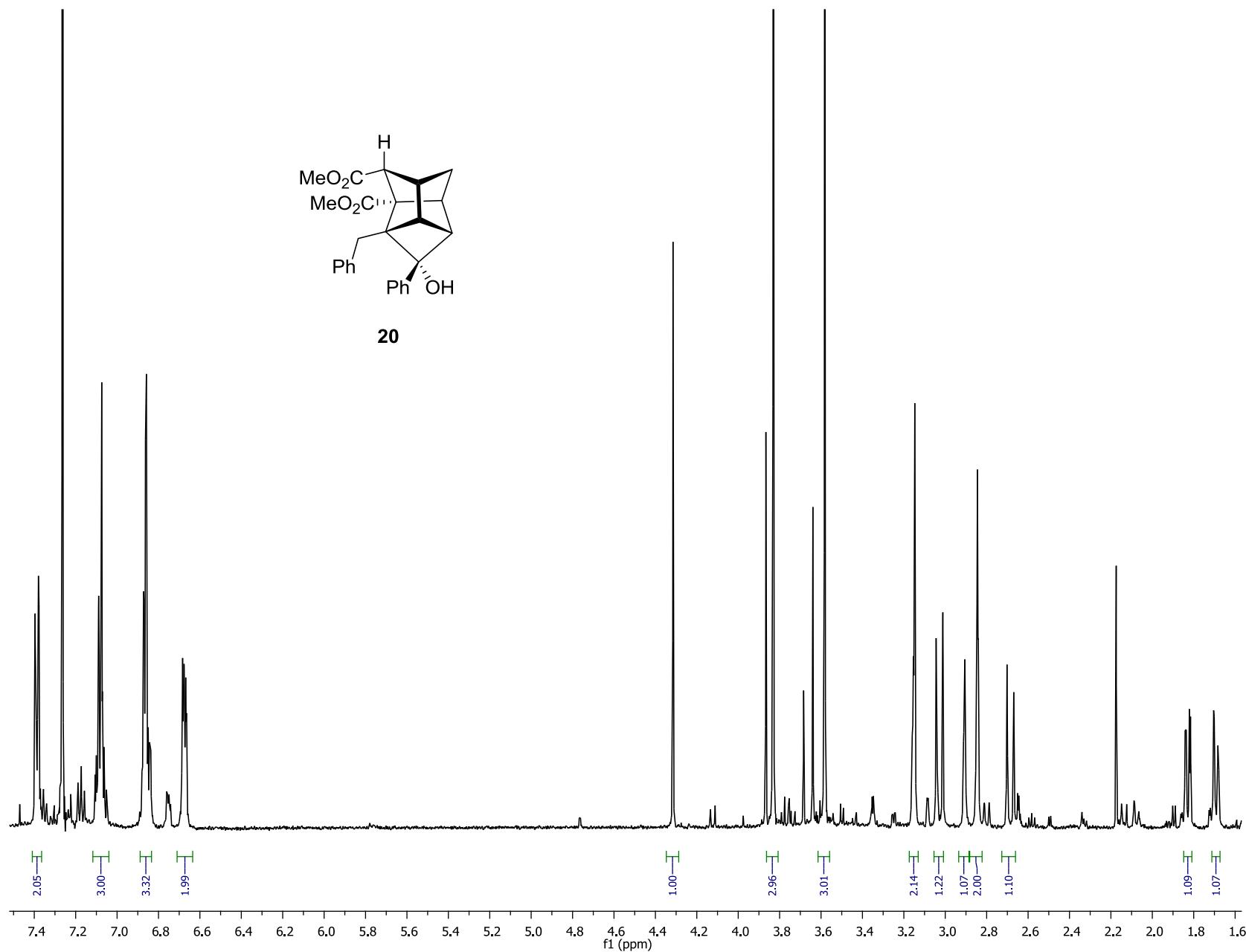
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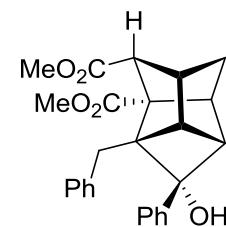
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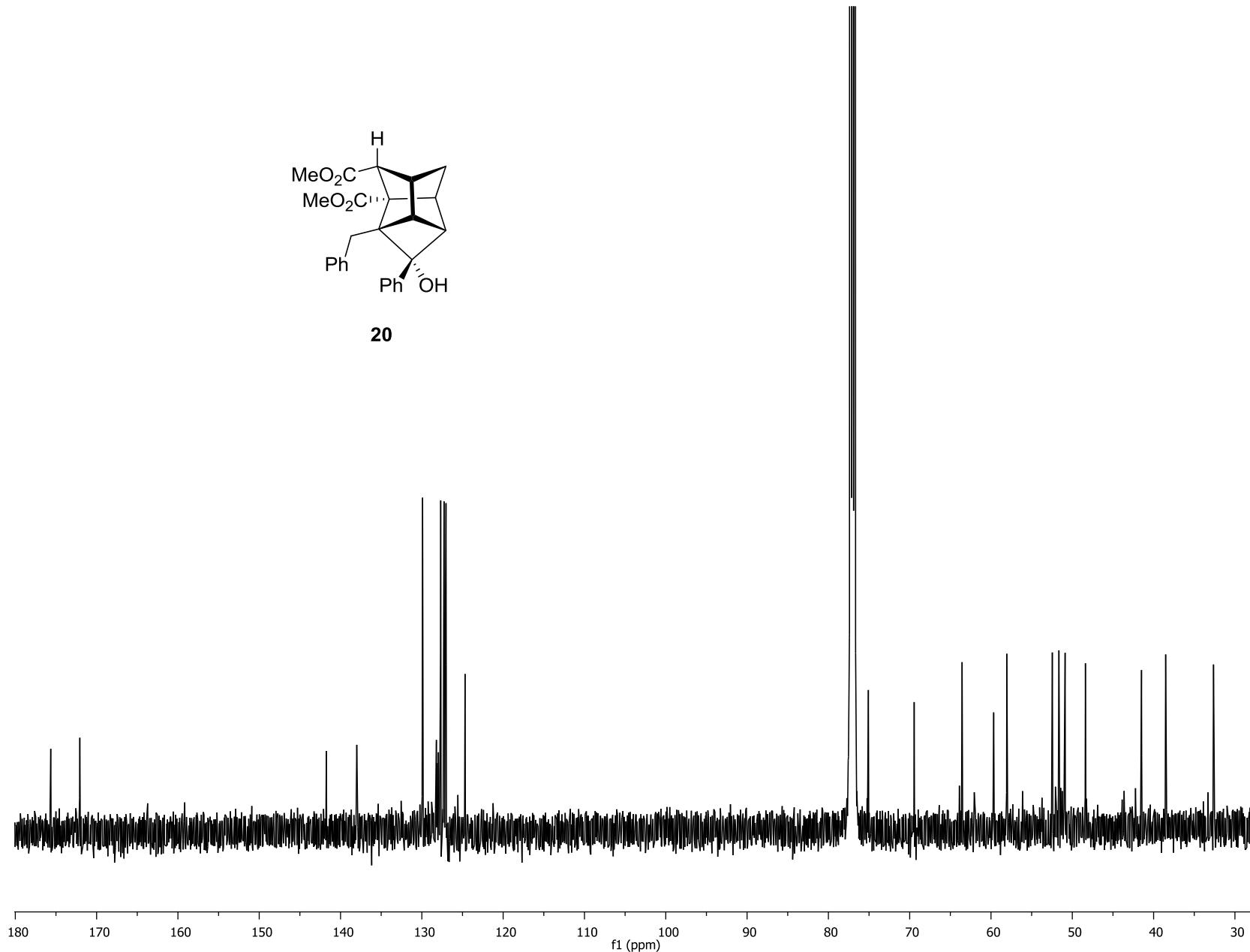
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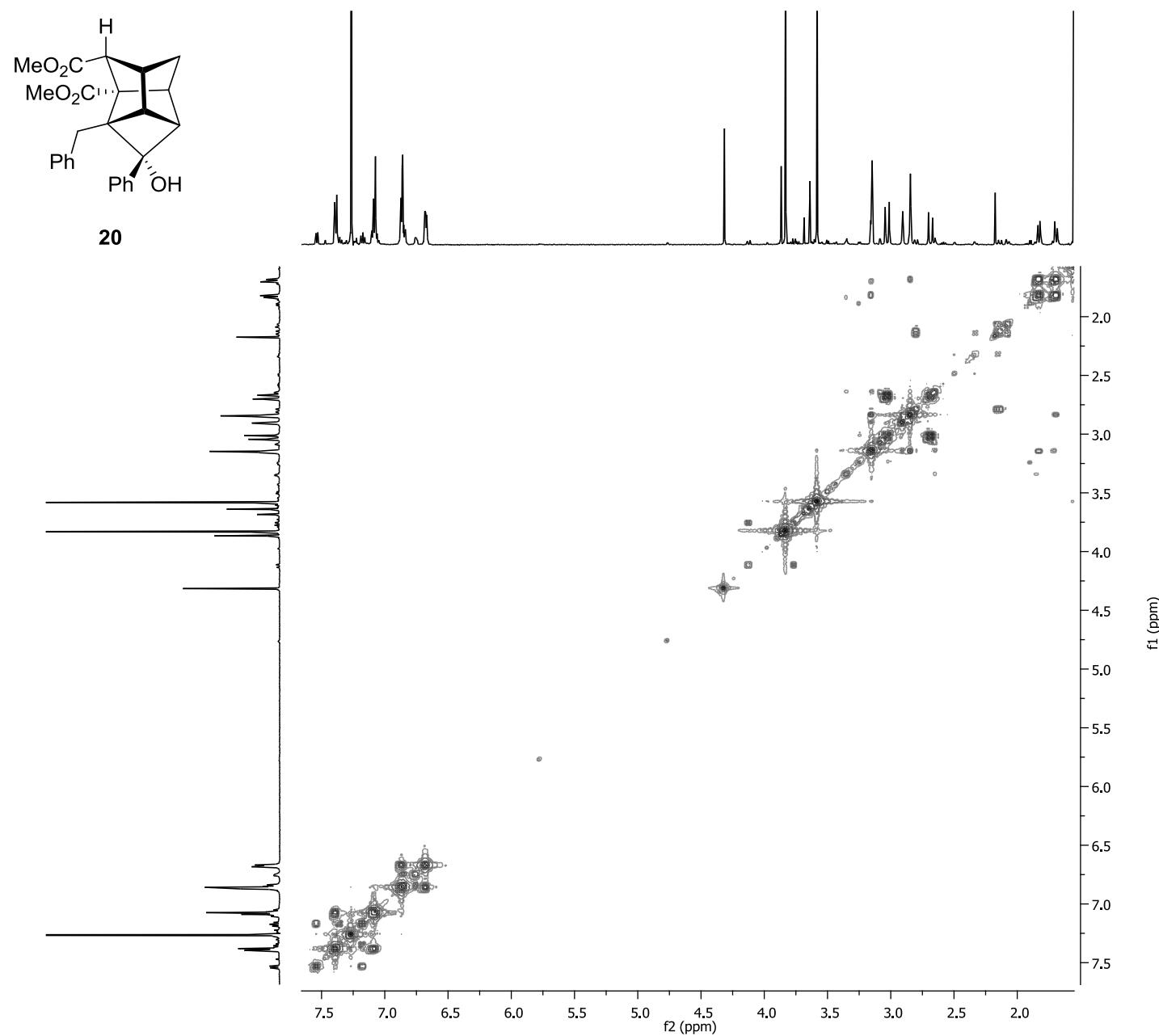
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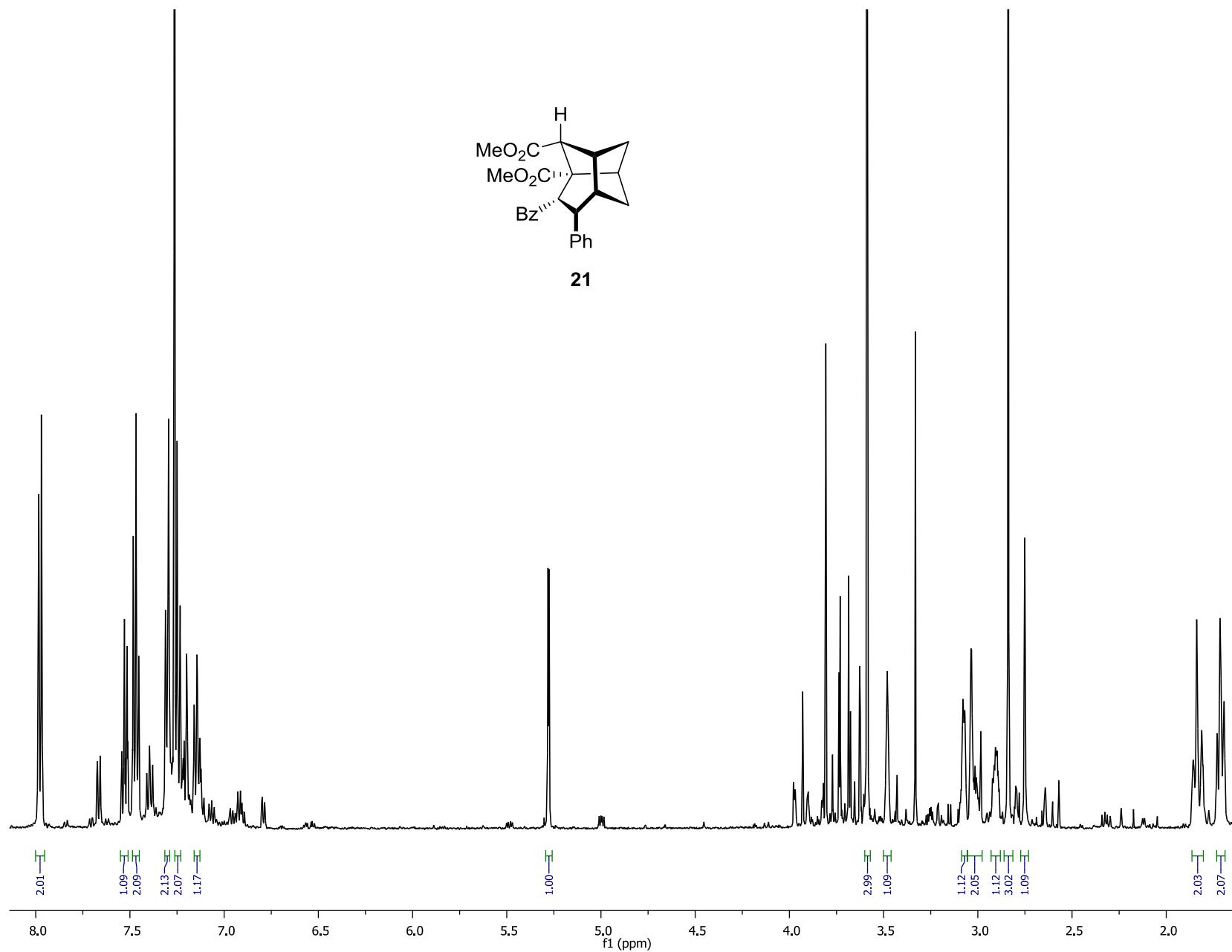
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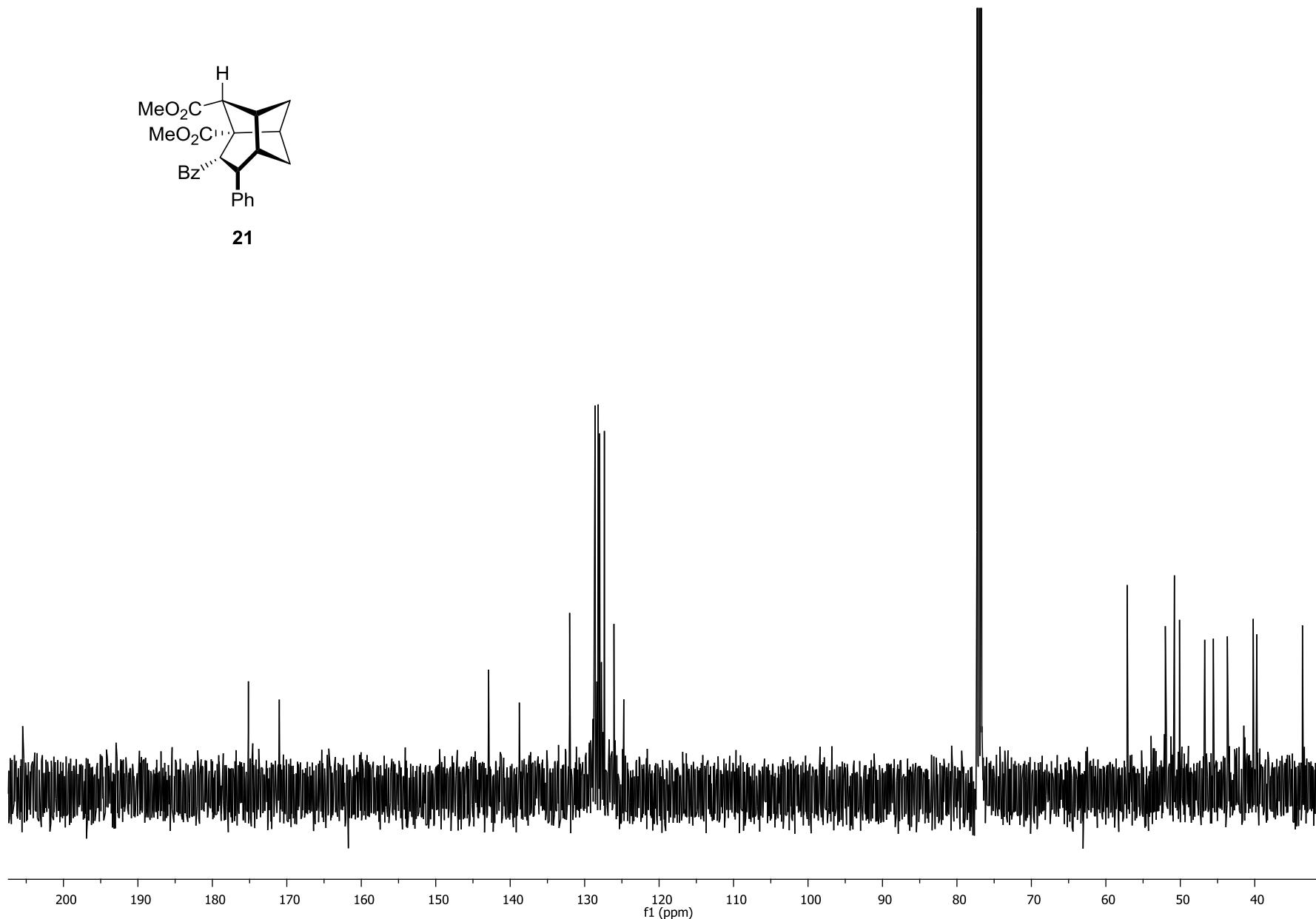
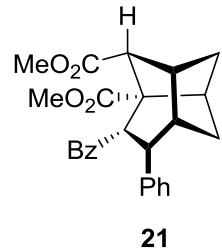
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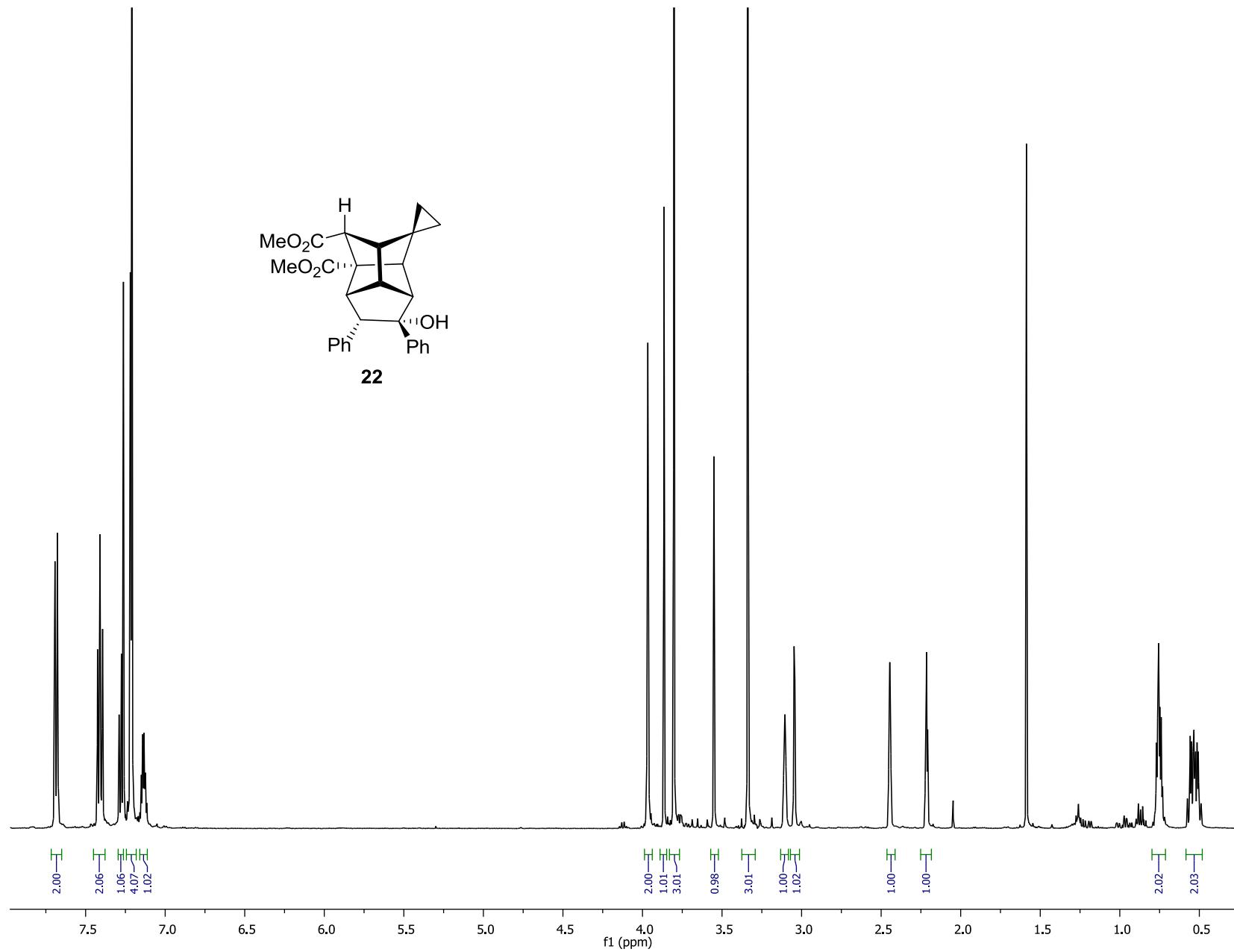


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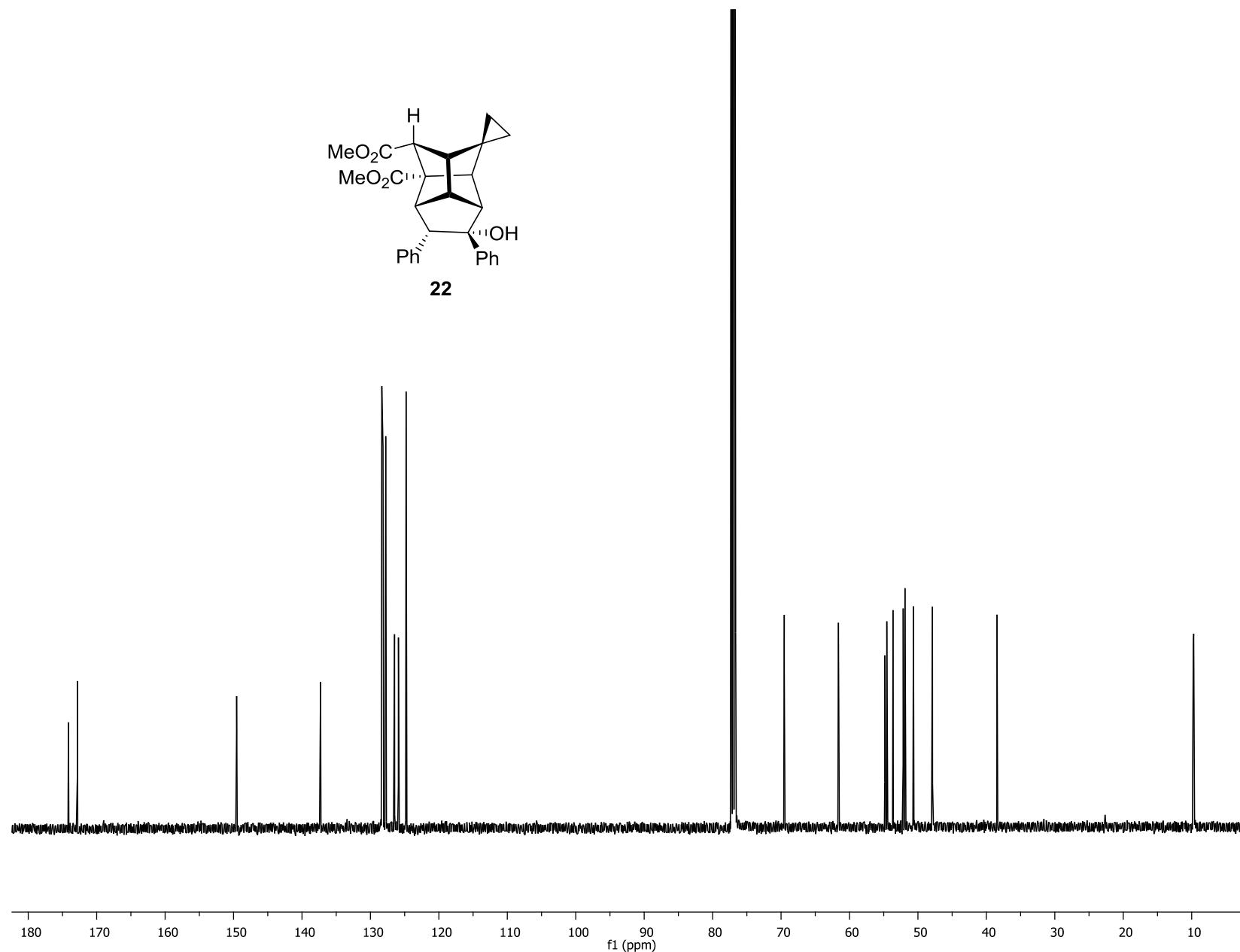
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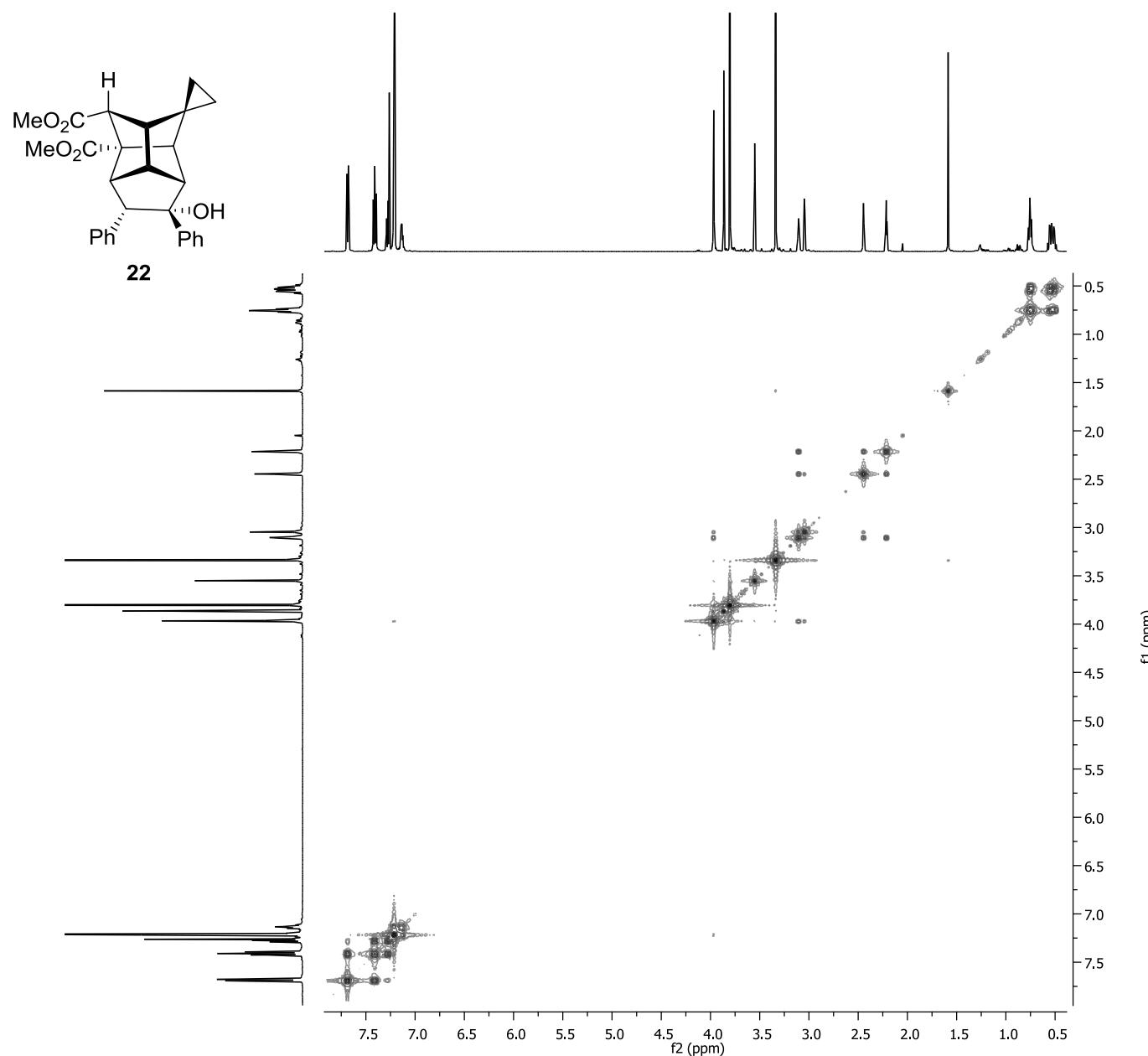
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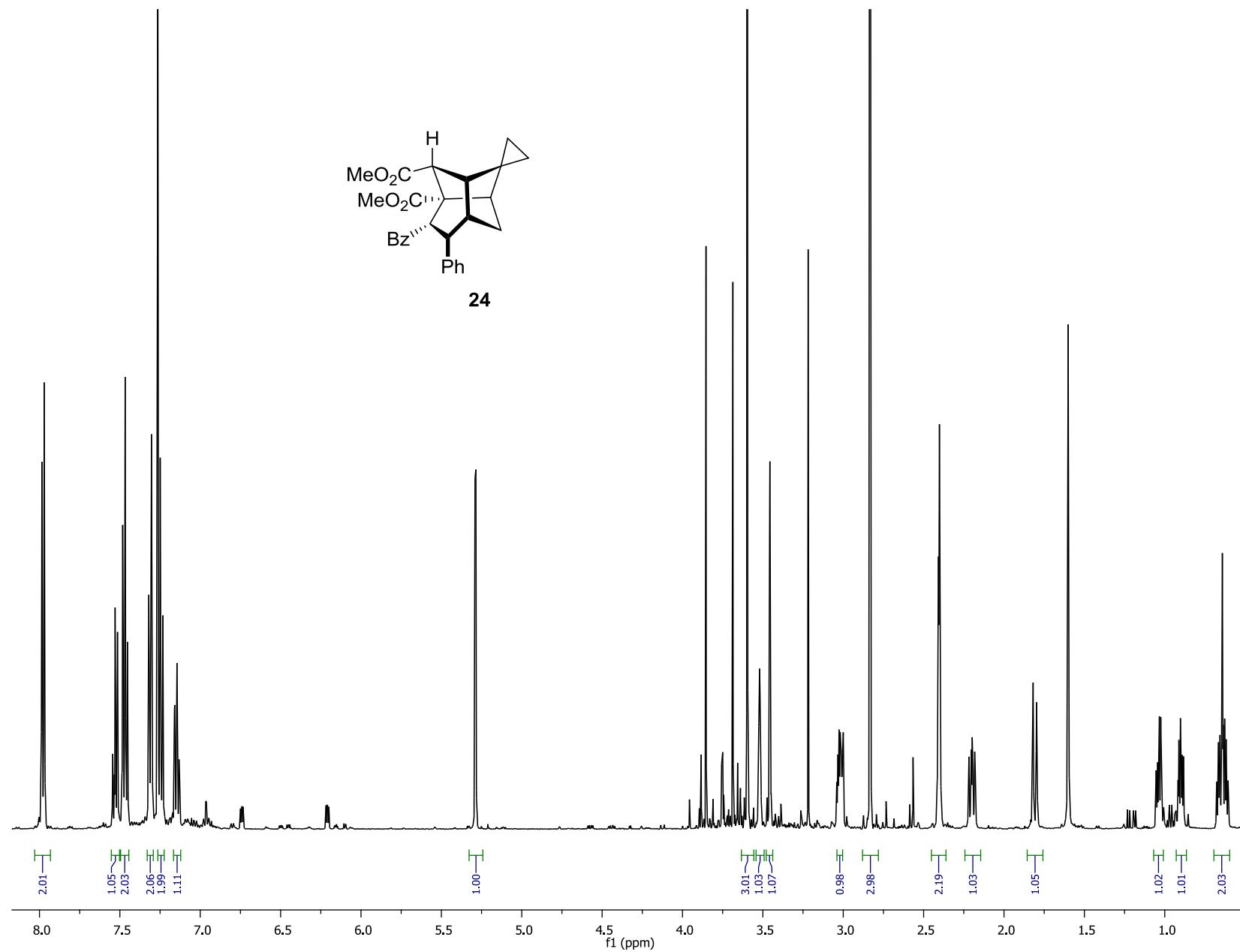


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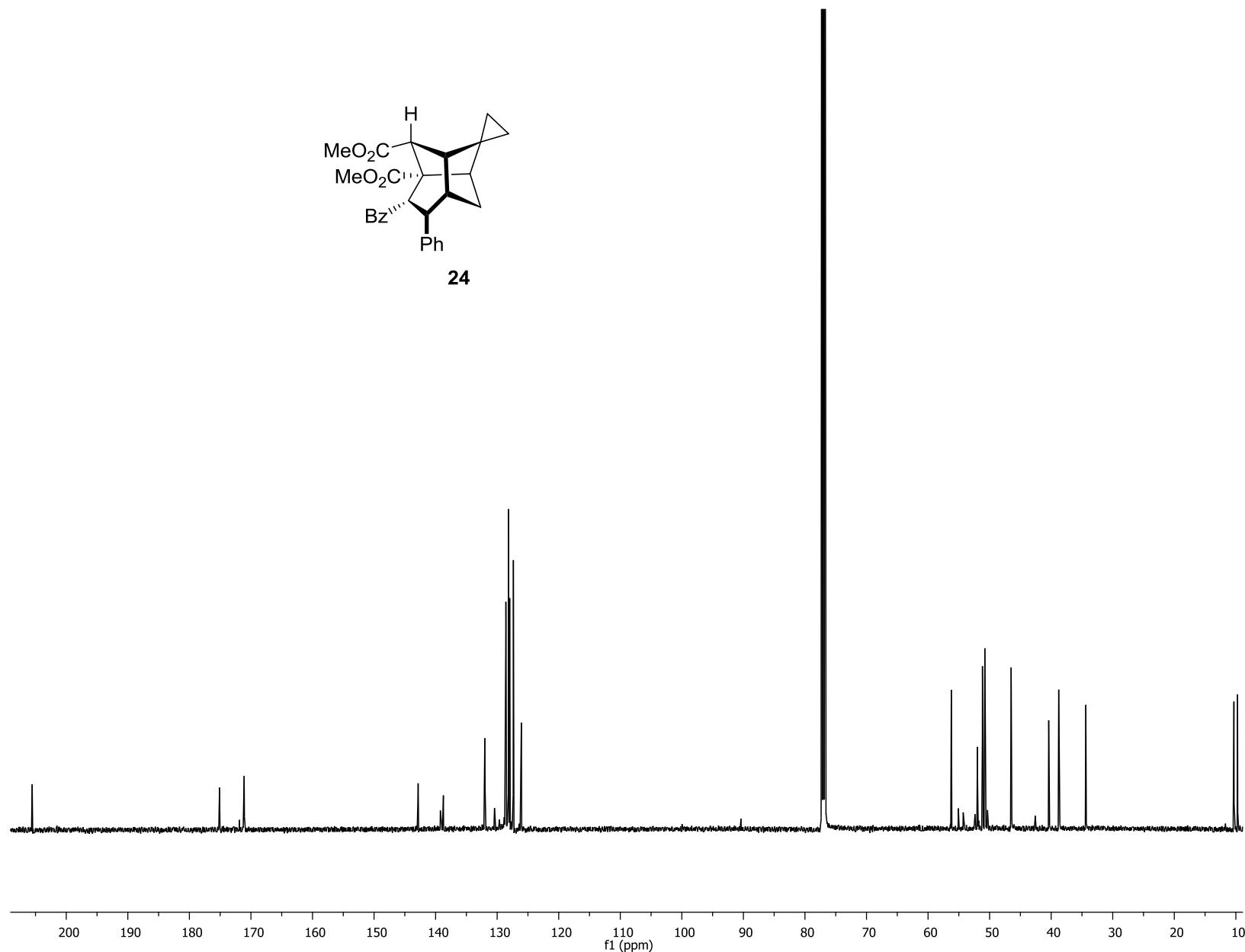
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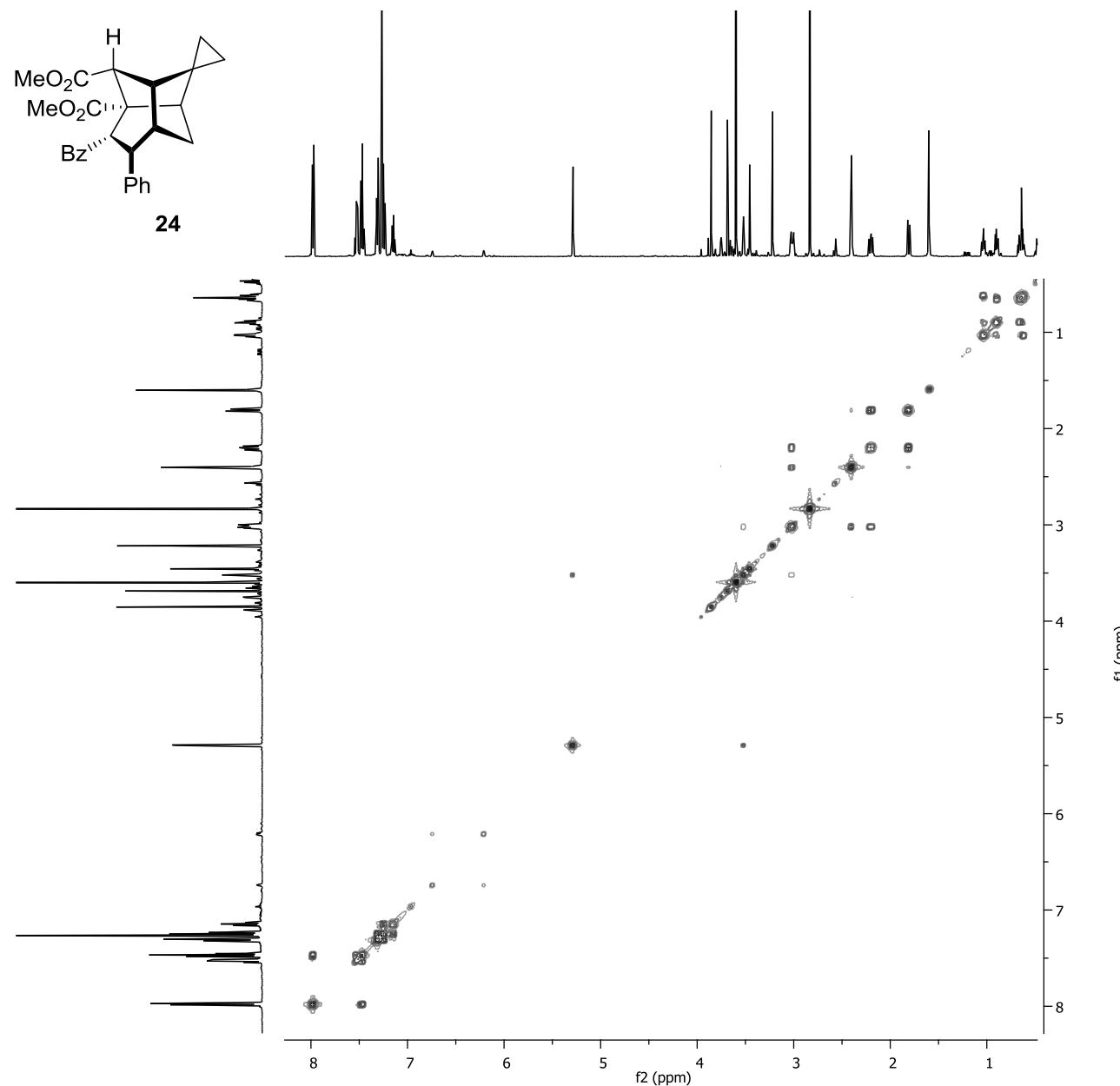


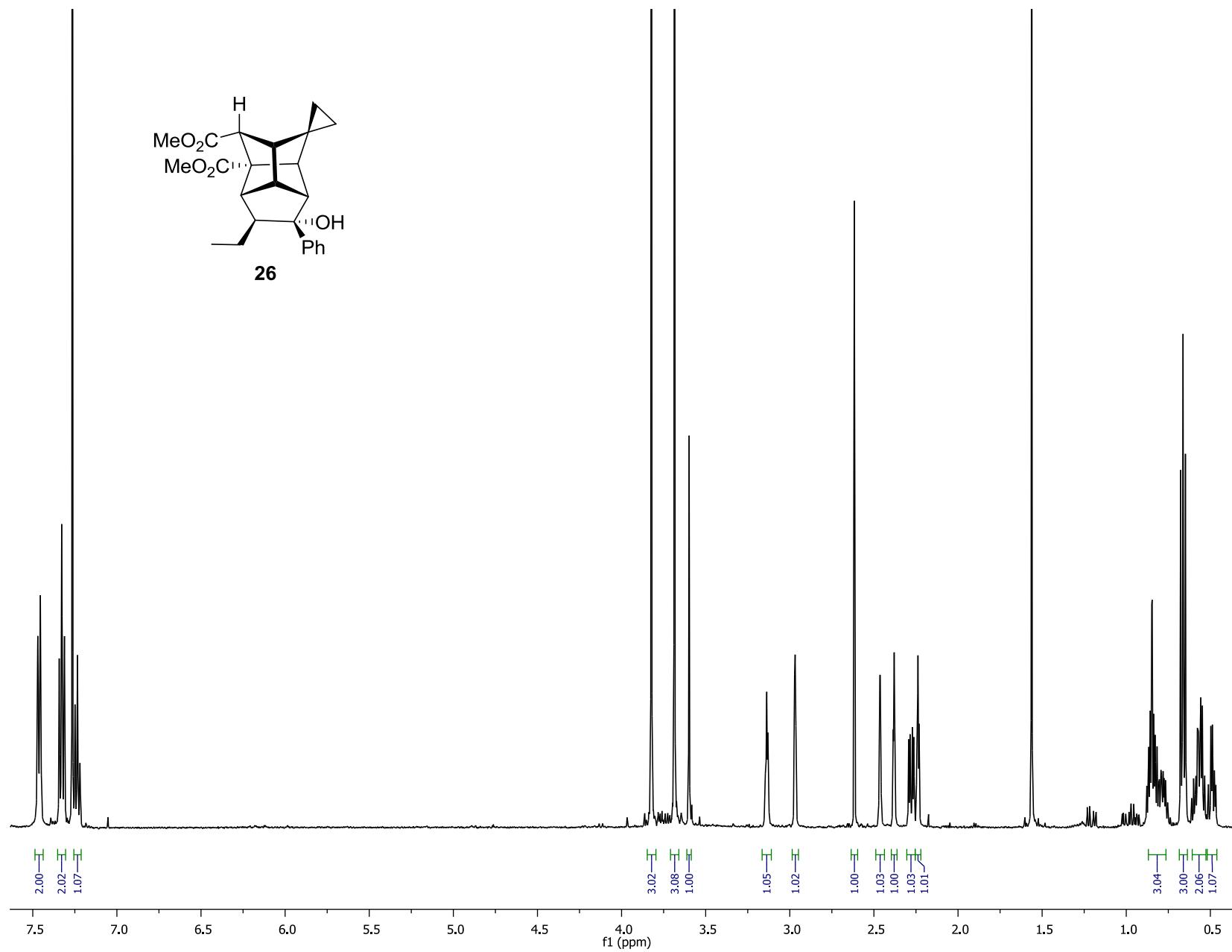
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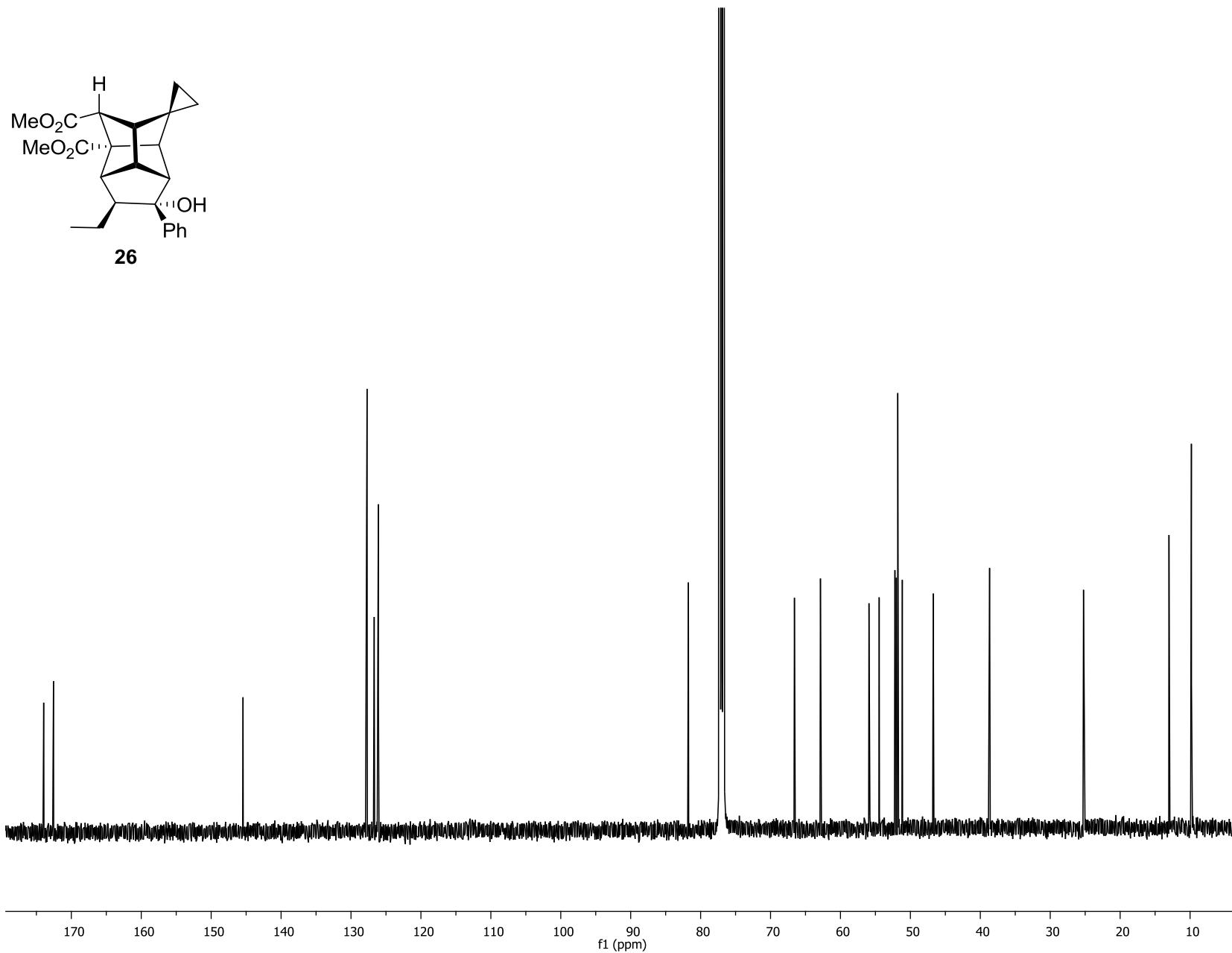
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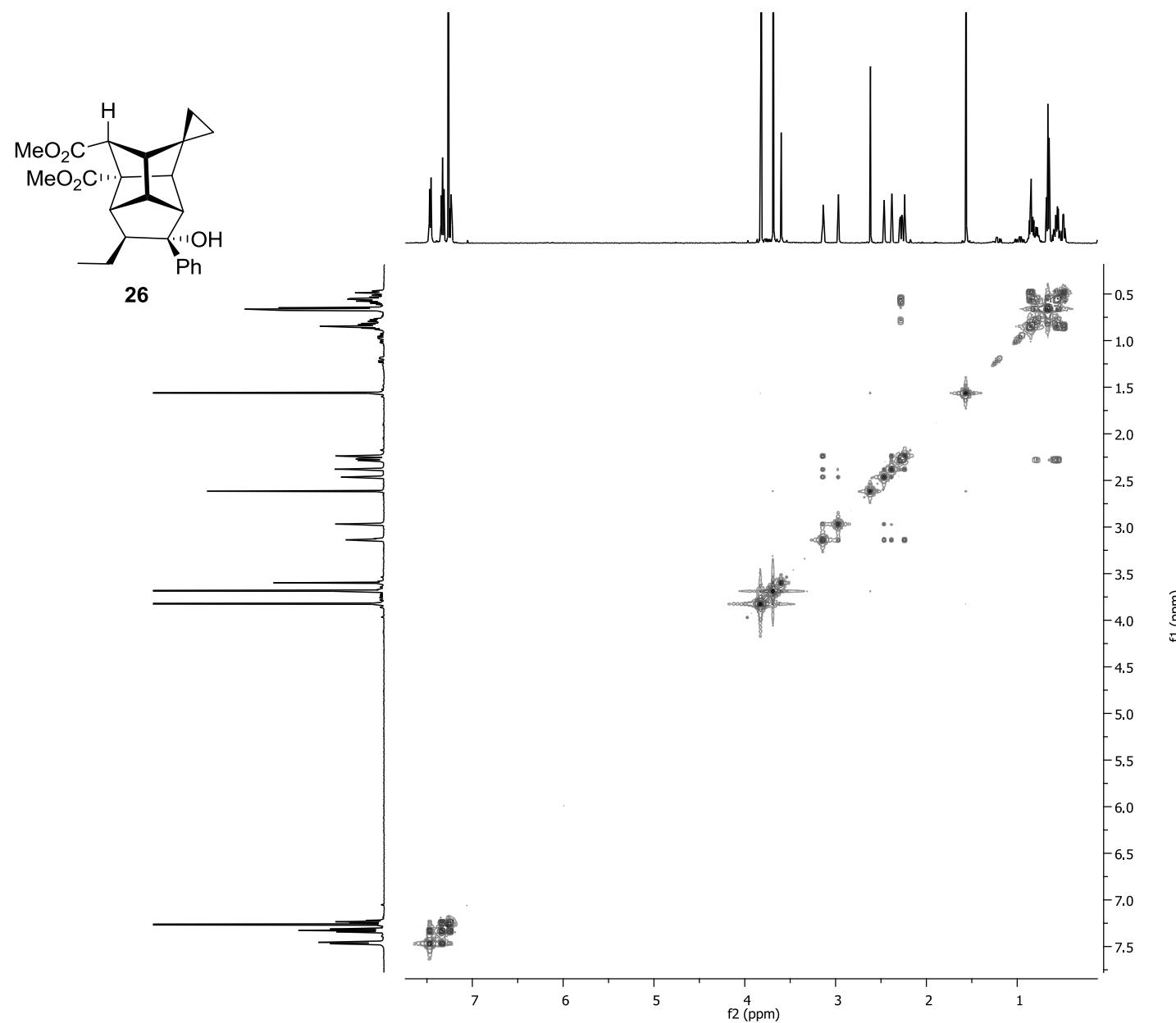


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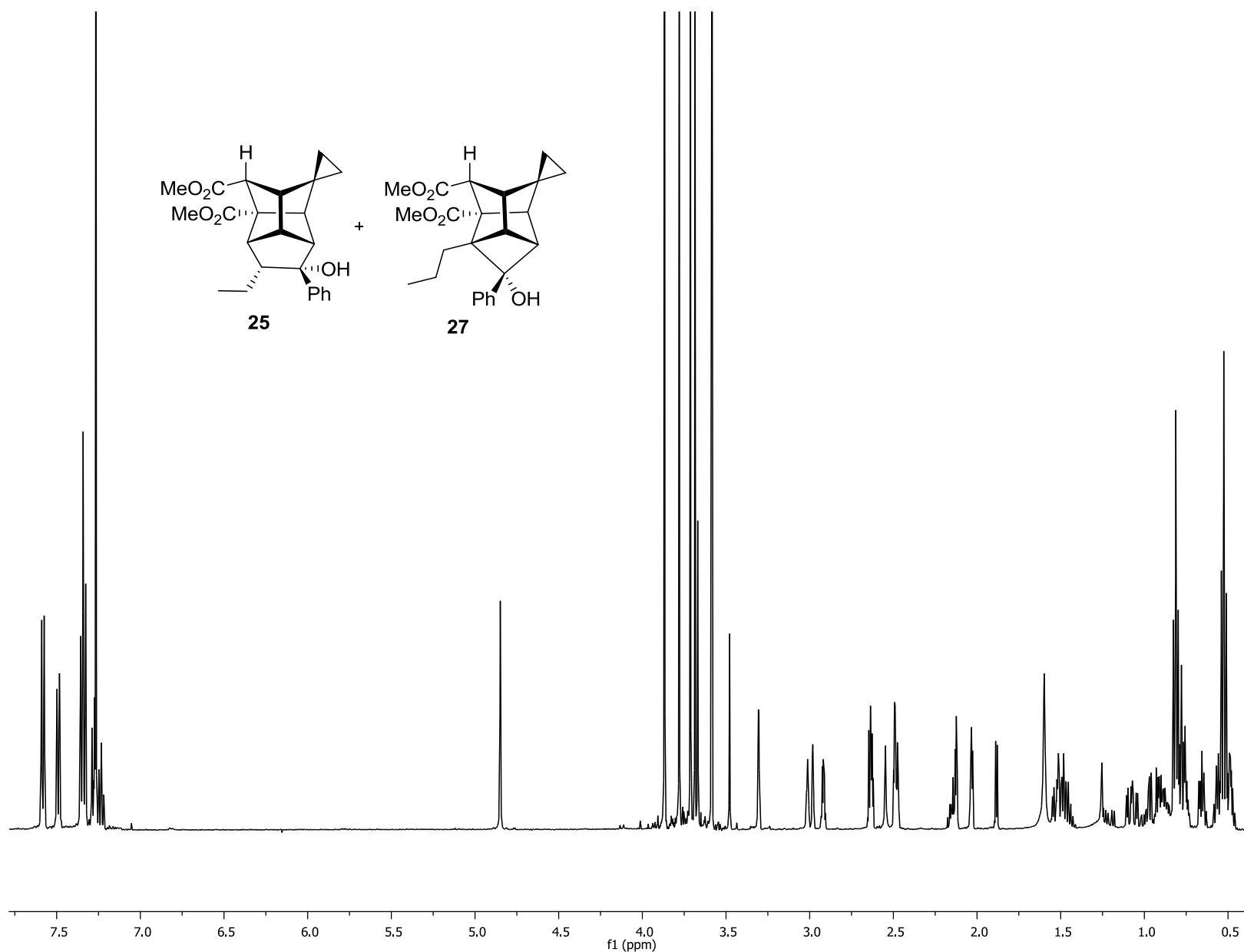
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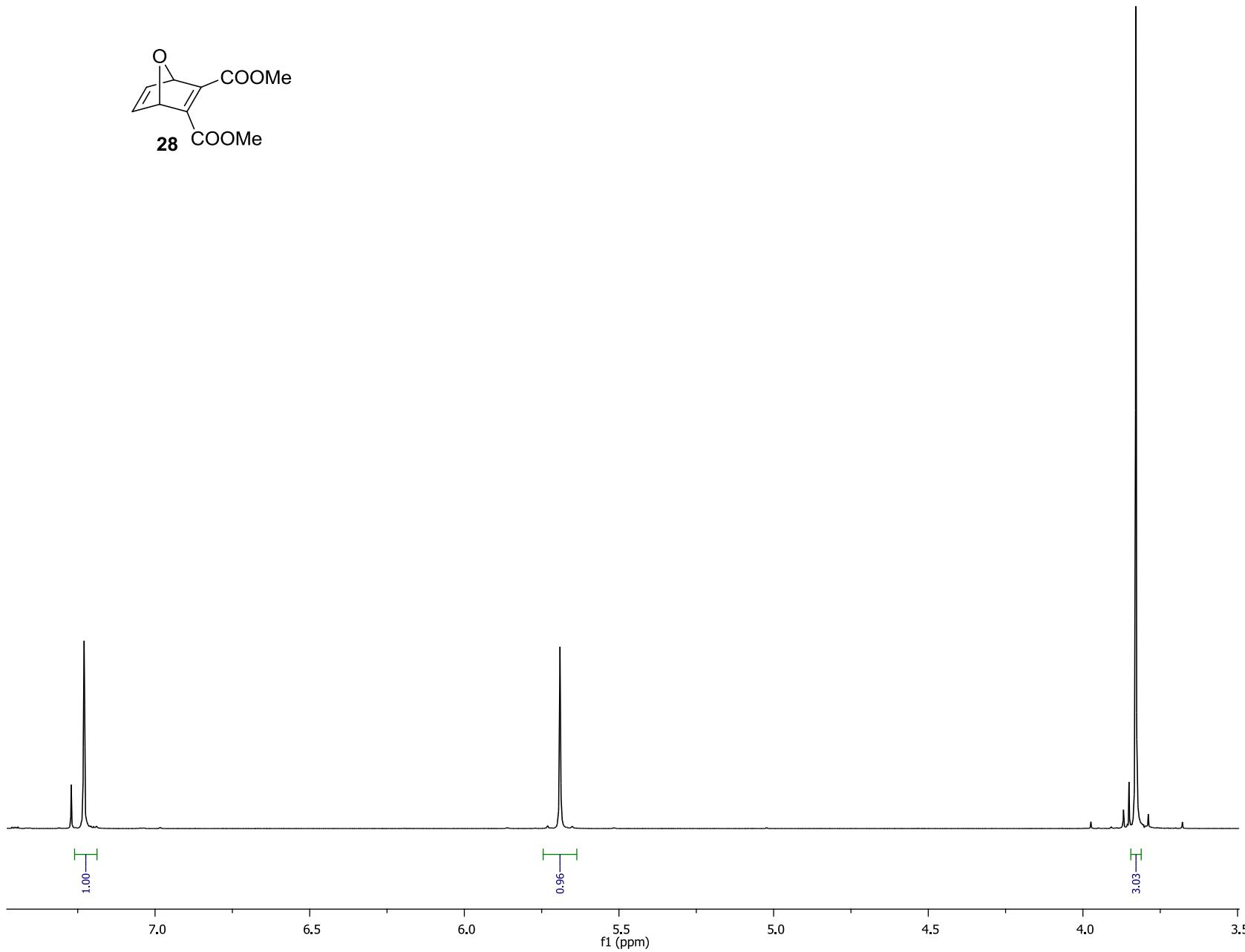
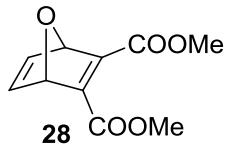


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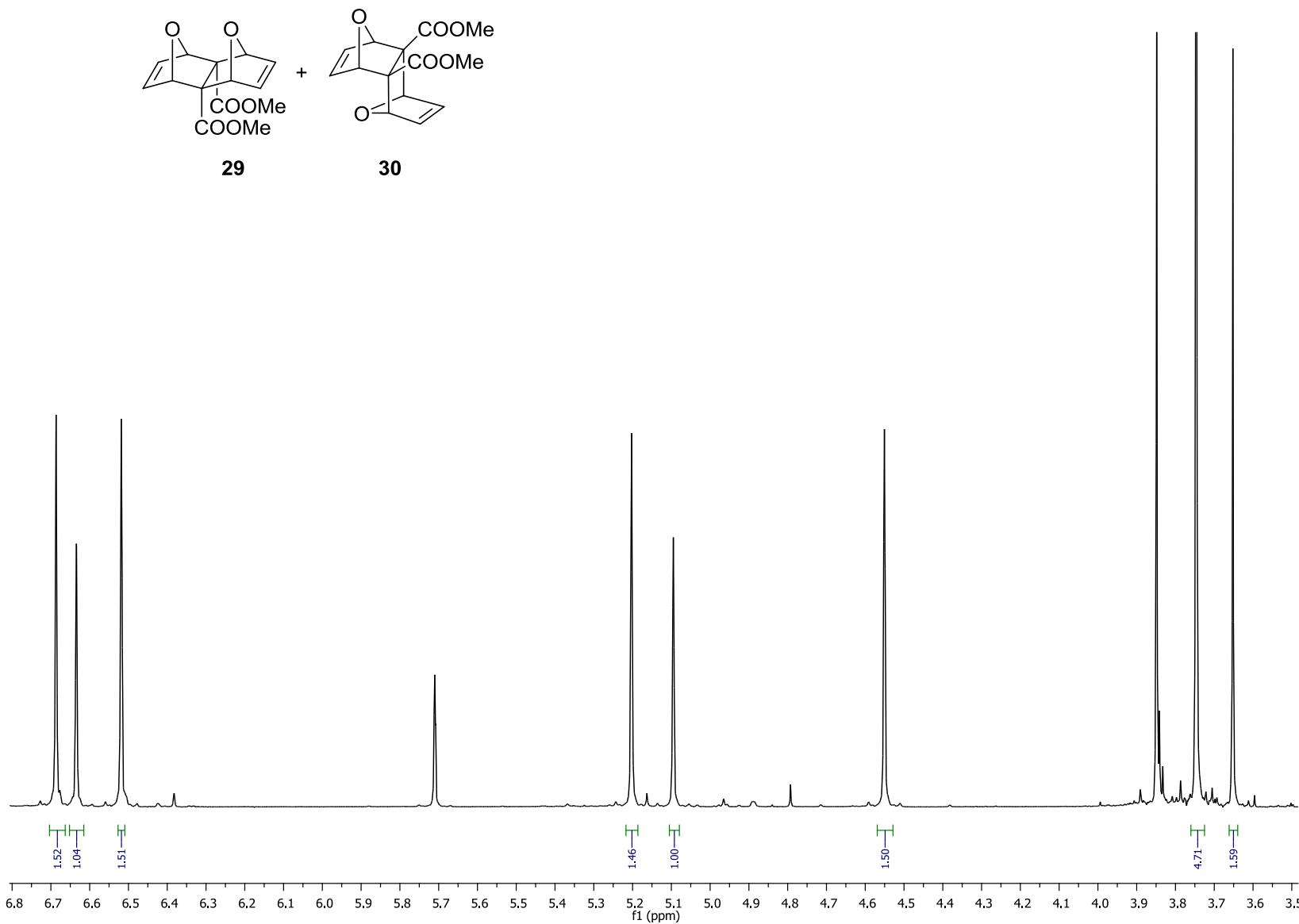
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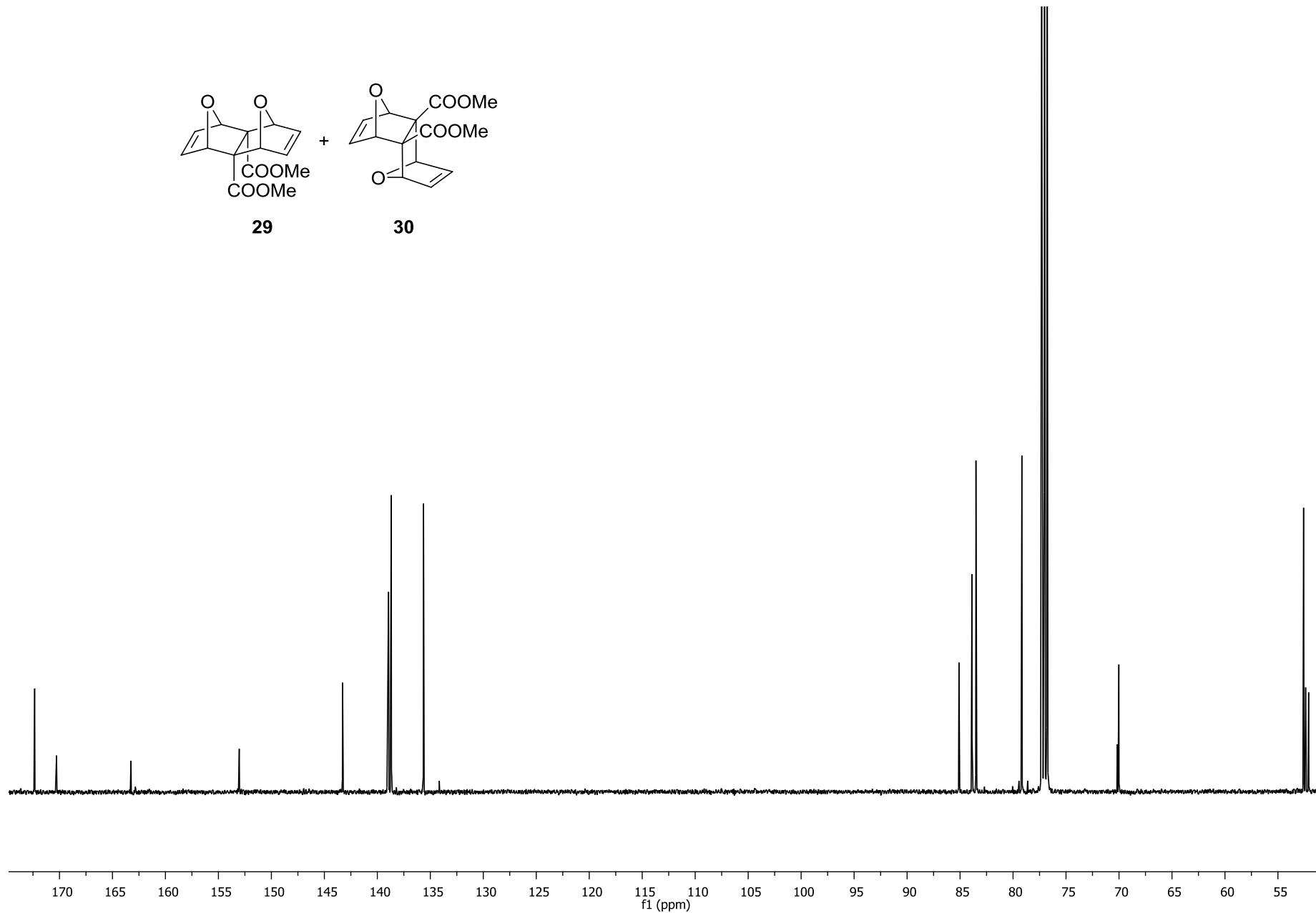
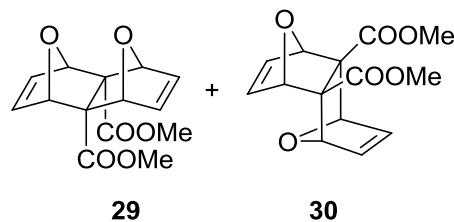
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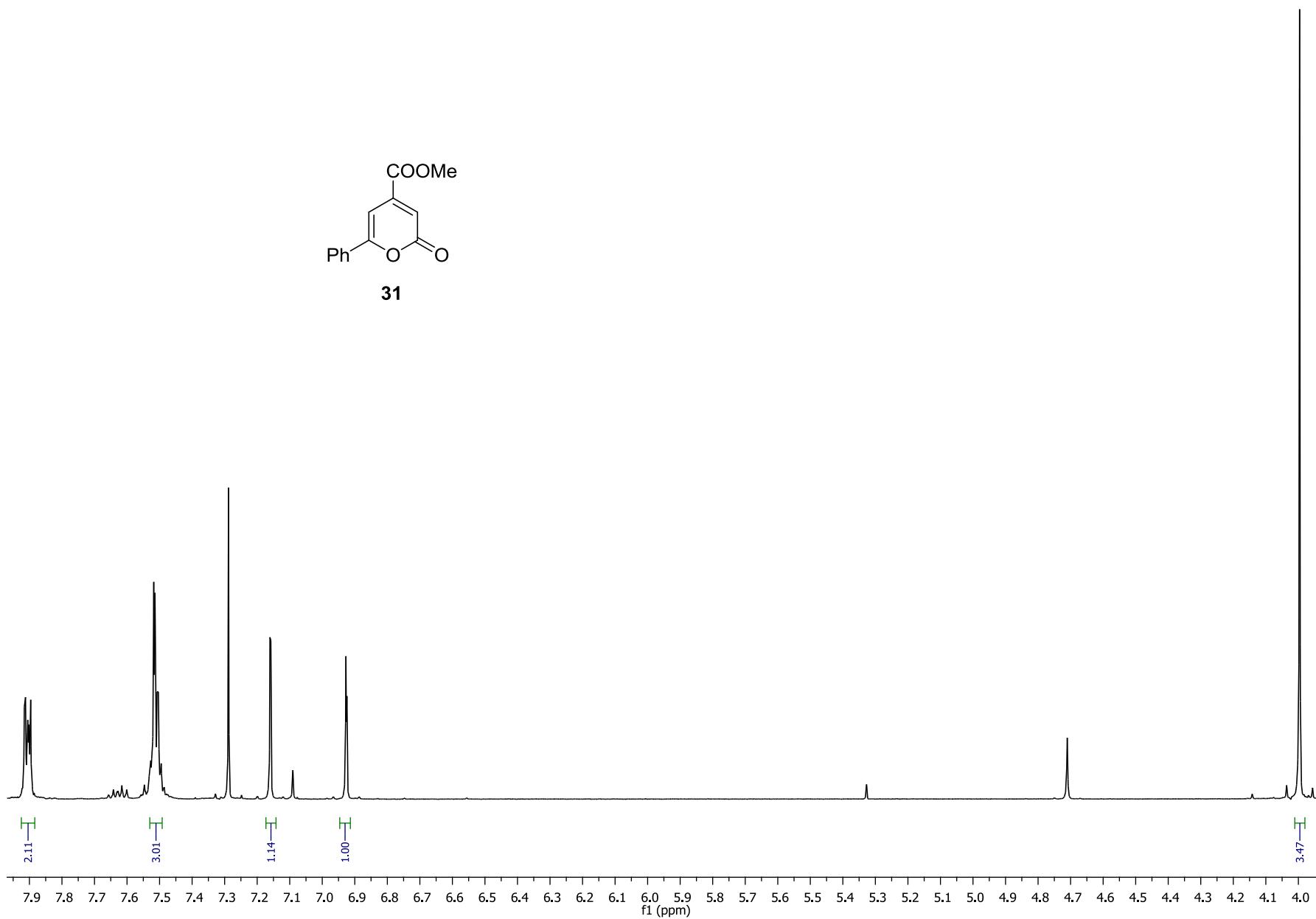
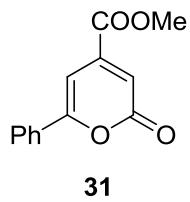
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