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**Unstrained C-C Bond Activation and Directed Fluorination through
Photocatalytically-Generated Radical Cations**

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General. Unless otherwise stated, all reactions were carried out under strictly anhydrous conditions under N₂ atmosphere. All solvents were dried and distilled by standard methods. All ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were acquired on a 400 MHz NMR spectrometer in CDCl₃ or CD₃OD, and ¹⁹F spectra were acquired on a 300 MHz NMR spectrometer in CDCl₃, CD₃OD, or CD₃CN. The ¹H, ¹³C, and ¹⁹F NMR chemical shifts are given in parts per million (δ) with respect to an internal tetramethylsilane (TMS, δ = 0.00 ppm) standard and/or 3-chlorobenzotrifluoride (δ = -64.2 ppm relative to CFCl₃).¹ NMR data are reported in the following format: chemical shift (integration, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet), coupling constants (Hz)). IR data were obtained using an ATR-IR instrument. The 2-aryl ketone precursors for compounds **1-6**, **9-14**, and **18-20** were synthesized using the Pd-catalyzed 2-arylation procedure by Kawatsura and Hartwig;² the precursors for compounds **7**, **15**, and **17** were synthesized using standard Grignard reactions³ followed by PCC oxidations;⁴ the precursor for compound **8** was synthesized using the Pd-catalyzed 2-arylation procedure by Willis, Taylor, and Gillmore.⁵ The ethylene glycol acetals were synthesized according to a general literature procedure.⁶ Characterization data for **16** is consistent with literature.⁷ Spectral data were analyzed with the ACD/NMR Processor Academic Edition⁸ and processed on Bruker software. The Gaussian '09 package was used for all calculations.⁹ Geometry optimizations were performed at the B3PW91/6-311++G** level of theory employing the default MeCN solvent continuum.

Representative Procedures.

Selectfluor (195 mg, 0.55 mmol, 2.2 equiv.), 9-fluorenone (9 mg, 0.25 mmol, 0.2 equiv.), and the substrate (0.25 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) were added to an oven-dried microwave vial equipped with a stir bar. The microwave vial was sealed via crimper with a cap w/ septum; it was evacuated and refilled with N₂ multiple times. Anhydrous CH₃CN (3 mL) was then added to the vial via syringe under N₂ atmosphere. The reaction mixture was stirred in a Rayonet reactor and irradiated at 300 nm for 12 h.

To obtain carboxylic acid: The reaction mixture was diluted with approximately equal parts H₂O. LiOH·H₂O (63 mg, 1.25 mmol, 5.0 equiv.) was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 25 min. open to air. The mixture was acidified with 1 M HCl (pH ~2) and extracted into CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic layers were dried with MgSO₄, filtered through Celite, and concentrated. Products typically columned on Florisil,

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³ a) G. F. Woods and F. Scotti, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1961, **26**, 312-318. b) E. Pinard, S. M. Ceccarelli, H. Stalder, and D. Alberati, *Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett.*, 2006, **16**, 349-352.

⁴ M. Ceylan, S. Yalcin, H. Secen, Y. Suetbeyaz, and M. Balci, *J. Chem. Res-S.*, 2003, **1**, 21-23.

⁵ M. C. Willis, D. Taylor, and A. T. Gillmore, *Tetrahedron*, 2006, **62**, 11513-11520.

⁶ C. Djerassi, G. von Mutzenbecher, J. Fajkos, D. H. Williams, and H. Budzikiewicz, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 1965, **87**, 817-826.

⁷ J.-B. Xia, C. Zhu, and C. Chen, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 2013, **135**, 17494-17500.

⁸ ACD/NMR Processor Academic Edition, version 12.0, Advanced Chemistry Development, Inc., Toronto, ON, Canada, www.acdlabs.com, 2012.

⁹ A. Huczynski, J. Rutkowski, and B. Brzezinski, *Struct. Chem.*, 2011, **22**, 627-634.

eluting with 5:94:1 EtOAc:Hexanes:AcOH. (Do not column on silica – it promotes dehydrofluorination.) Better results can be achieved by flushing the loaded column with a few column volumes of EtOAc:Hexanes before acidifying it. Analytical purity can be obtained via subsequent gradient C18 column chromatography, eluting with MeCN/H₂O.

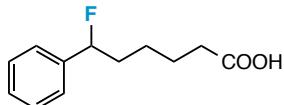
To obtain methyl ester: The reaction mixture was diluted with approximately equal parts H₂O. LiOMe (47 mg, 1.25 mmol, 5.0 equiv.) was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 25 min. open to air. The mixture was extracted into CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic layers were dried with MgSO₄, filtered through Celite, and concentrated. Products typically columned on Florisil, eluting with 5:95 EtOAc:Hexanes. (Do not column on silica – it promotes dehydrofluorination.) Analytical purity can be obtained via subsequent gradient C18 column chromatography, eluting with MeCN/H₂O, or via flash chromatography on silica gel, eluting with 10:90 EtOAc:Toluene.

To obtain alcohol: The reaction mixture was concentrated and dissolved in 10 mL anhydrous THF under N₂ atmosphere. After cooling to 0 °C, LiAlH₄ (57 mg, 1.50 mmol, 6.0 equiv.) was added to the reaction mixture; the mixture slowly warmed to rt and was stirred vigorously for 1 h. The reaction was quenched and worked up via the standard Fieser method. Products typically columned on Florisil, eluting with 5:95 EtOAc:Hexanes. (Do not column on silica – it promotes dehydrofluorination.) Analytical purity can be obtained via subsequent gradient C18 column chromatography, eluting with MeCN/H₂O.

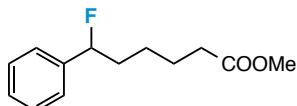
To obtain ketone/fragmentation product: The reaction mixture was diluted with approximately equal parts H₂O and was stirred for 25 min. open to air. The mixture was extracted into CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic layers were dried with MgSO₄, filtered through Celite, and concentrated. Products typically columned on Florisil, eluting with 5:95 EtOAc:Hexanes. (Do not column on silica – it promotes dehydrofluorination.) Analytical purity can be obtained via subsequent gradient C18 column chromatography, eluting with MeCN/H₂O.

Gram Scale Example: Selectfluor (3.90 g, 11.0 mmol, 2.2 equiv.), 9-fluorenone (0.180 g, 1.0 mmol, 0.2 equiv.), and 6-phenyl-1,4-dioxaspiro[4.5]decane (1.09 g, 5.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) were added to an oven-dried round bottom flask equipped with a stir bar. The flask was evacuated and refilled with N₂ multiple times. Anhydrous CH₃CN (60 mL) was then added to the flask via syringe under N₂ atmosphere. The reaction mixture was stirred in a Rayonet reactor and irradiated at 300 nm for 12 h. The reaction was worked up to obtain 6-fluoro-6-phenyl-hexanoic acid as outlined above in 54% yield (568 mg).

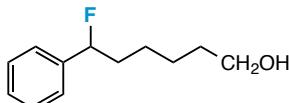
Compound Characterization



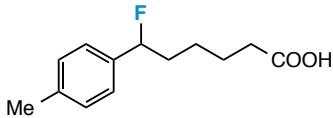
6-fluoro-6-phenyl-hexanoic acid (**1**). 60% yield. Clear oil. $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3300-2500 (COOH) and 1708 (CO). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): 11.26 (1H, br s), 7.38-7.30 (5H, m), 5.42 (1H, ddd, $J = 47.9, 8.0, 4.9$ Hz), 2.36 (2H, t, $J = 7.4$ Hz), 2.05-1.92 (1H, m), 1.91-1.75 (1H, m), 1.68 (2H, quint, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 1.59-1.48 (1H, m), 1.48-1.37 (1H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): 180.2, 140.2 (d, $J = 19.9$ Hz), 128.4, 128.2, 125.5 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz), 94.3 (d, $J = 170.3$ Hz), 36.8 (d, $J = 23.6$ Hz), 33.9, 24.5 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz), 24.3; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): -174.31 (1F, ddd, $J = 47.0, 28.7, 17.2$ Hz).



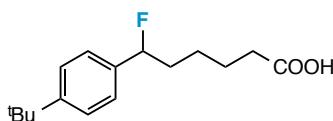
methyl 6-fluoro-6-phenylhexanoate (**2**). 59% yield. Clear oil. $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1733 (CO). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): 7.41-7.29 (5H, m), 5.42 (1H, ddd, $J = 47.8, 8.0, 4.8$ Hz), 3.66 (3H, s), 2.32 (2H, t, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 2.09-1.92 (1H, m), 1.76-1.74 (1H, m), 1.72-1.64 (2H, m), 1.56-1.36 (2H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): 173.9, 140.4, 140.2, 128.4, 128.23, 128.21, 125.51, 125.44, 94.3 (d, $J = 171$ Hz), 51.5, 37.0, 36.7, 33.9, 24.7, 24.6; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): -174.24 (1F, ddd, $J = 47.0, 27.5, 16.1$ Hz).



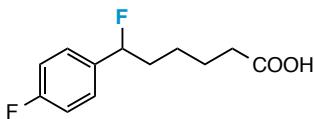
6-fluoro-6-phenylhexan-1-ol (**3**). 55% yield. Clear oil. $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3381 (OH). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): 7.40-7.35 (2H, m), 7.34-7.30 (3H, m), 5.43 (1H, ddd, $J = 47.7, 8.0, 4.9$ Hz), 3.64 (2H, m), 2.06-1.91 (1H, m), 1.90-1.75 (1H, m), 1.61-1.47 (3H, m), 1.47-1.37 (3H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): 140.6, 140.4, 128.4, 128.18, 128.17, 125.53, 125.46, 94.5 (d, $J = 170.3$ Hz), 62.8, 37.3, 37.0, 32.6, 25.5, 24.90, 24.86; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): -173.96 (1F, ddd, $J = 45.9, 27.5, 16.1$ Hz).



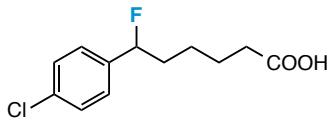
6-fluoro-6-(*p*-tolyl)hexanoic acid (4**).** 42% yield. White solid; m.p. 49-51 °C. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3300-2500 (COOH) and 1695 (CO). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): 8.77 (1H, br s), 7.23-7.17 (4H, m), 5.39 (1H, ddd, $J = 47.7, 8.2, 4.9$ Hz), 2.43-2.33 (5H, m), 2.06-1.93 (1H, m), 1.90-1.76 (1H, m), 1.74-1.66 (2H, m), 1.59-1.50 (1H, m), 1.48-1.39 (1H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): 138.10, 138.07, 137.3, 137.1, 129.1, 125.6, 125.5, 94.3 (d, $J = 169.5$ Hz), 36.8, 36.6, 24.69, 24.65, 24.4, 21.2. ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): -172.10 (1F, ddd, $J = 45.9, 27.5, 16.1$ Hz).



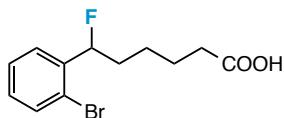
6-(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)-6-fluorohexanoic acid (5**).** 64% yield. Clear oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3300-2500 (COOH) and 1706 (CO). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): 11.47 (1H, br s), 7.40 (2H, dm, $J = 8.6$ Hz), 7.38 (2H, dm, $J = 8.2$ Hz), 5.40 (1H, ddd, $J = 47.7, 8.2, 4.7$ Hz), 2.36 (2H, t, $J = 7.4$ Hz), 2.09-1.93 (1H, m), 1.91-1.74 (1H, m), 1.70 (2H, quint, $J = 7.8$ Hz), 1.61-1.51 (1H, m), 1.50-1.38 (1H, m), 1.32 (9H, s); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): 180.1, 151.30, 151.28, 137.3, 137.1, 125.38, 125.35, 125.31, 93.4 (d, $J = 169.5$ Hz), 36.7, 36.5, 34.6, 33.9, 31.31, 31.29, 24.73, 24.68, 24.4; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): -172.34 (1F, ddd, $J = 45.9, 28.7, 16.1$ Hz).



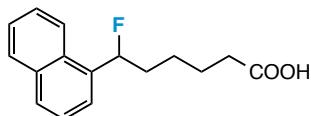
6-fluoro-6-(4-fluoro)phenyl-hexanoic acid (6**).** 70% yield. Clear oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3300-2500 (COOH) and 1705 (CO). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): 11.27 (1H, br s), 7.31-7.26 (2H, m), 7.06 (2H, t, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 5.40 (1H, ddd, $J = 47.9, 8.0, 4.9$ Hz), 2.37 (2H, t, $J = 7.4$ Hz), 2.05-1.91 (1H, m), 1.89-1.75 (1H, m), 1.69 (2H, quint, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 1.58-1.48 (1H, m), 1.48-1.36 (1H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): 179.7, 162.6 (dd, $J = 246.2, 2.2$ Hz), 127.4 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz), 127.3 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz), 124.0 (d, $J = 3.7$ Hz), 115.4 (d, $J = 21.4$ Hz), 93.7 (d, $J = 171.8$ Hz), 36.8 (d, $J = 24.3$ Hz), 33.8, 24.6 (d, $J = 4.4$ Hz), 24.29; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): -113.2 (1F, m), -172.0 (1F, ddd, $J = 48.2, 28.7, 17.2$ Hz).



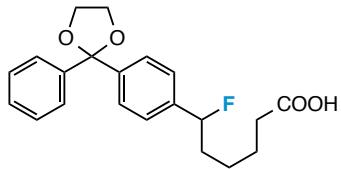
6-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-fluorohexanoic acid (7). 54% yield. Clear oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3300-2500 (COOH) and 1684 (CO). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): 8.65 (1H, br s), 7.34 (2H, d, J = 7.8 Hz), 7.24 (2H, d, J = 8.6 Hz), 5.40 (1H, ddd, J = 47.3, 8.0, 4.7 Hz), 2.37 (1H, t, J = 7.0 Hz), 2.03-1.90 (1H, m), 1.89-1.75 (1H, m), 1.69 (2H, quint, J = 7.4 Hz), 1.58-1.48 (1H, m), 1.47-1.37 (1H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): 179.5, 138.8, 138.6, 134.02, 134.00, 128.6, 126.9, 126.8, 93.3 (J = 171.2 Hz), 36.86, 36.85, 36.63, 36.61, 24.5, 24.4, 24.3; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): -174.74 (1F, ddd, J = 45.9, 27.5, 17.2 Hz).



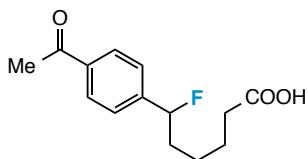
6-(2-bromophenyl)-6-fluorohexanoic acid (8). 63% yield. Clear oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3300-2500 (COOH) and 1685 (CO). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): 7.52 (1H, dt, J = 8.0, 1.1 Hz), 7.48 (1H, dd, J = 7.8, 1.6 Hz), 7.36 (1H, td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz), 7.18 (1H, td, J = 7.8, 1.8 Hz), 5.76 (1H, ddd, J = 47.3, 8.4, 3.5 Hz), 2.40 (2H, t, J = 7.4 Hz), 2.02-1.82 (2H, m), 1.80-1.67 (2H, m), 1.66-1.54 (2H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): 178.7, 140.0, 139.8, 132.6, 129.4, 127.7, 126.8, 126.7, 120.64, 120.58, 93.1 (d, J = 172.5 Hz), 35.9, 35.6, 33.7, 24.61, 24.59, 24.3; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): -181.16 (1F, ddd, J = 47.0, 32.1, 20.7 Hz).



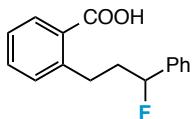
6-fluoro-6-(naphthalen-1-yl)hexanoic acid (9). 47% yield. Light brown oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3300-2500 (COOH) and 1704 (CO). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): 11.22 (1H, br s), 7.96-7.93 (1H, m), 7.88-7.86 (1H, m), 7.81 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz), 7.57-7.45 (4H, m), 6.14 (1H, ddd, J = 47.1, 8.0, 4.3 Hz), 2.36 (2H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 2.20-1.97 (2H, m), 1.78-1.51 (4H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): 179.8, 136.0, 135.8, 133.7, 129.85, 129.81, 128.9, 128.70, 128.68, 126.3, 125.7, 125.2, 123.1, 122.99, 122.94, 92.3 (d, J = 171.0 Hz), 36.4, 36.2, 25.09, 25.06, 24.4; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): -178.13 (1F, ddd, J = 48.2, 29.8, 19.5 Hz).



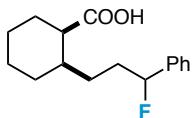
6-fluoro-6-(4-(2-phenyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-yl)phenyl)hexanoic acid (**10**). 51% yield. Clear oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3300-2500 (COOH) and 1706 (OH). ¹H NMR (CD₃OD): 7.48-7.45 (4H, m), 7.33-7.24 (5H, m), 5.42 (1H, ddd, $J = 47.9, 8.2, 4.9$ Hz), 4.02 (4H, s), 2.25 (2H, t, $J = 7.3$ Hz), 2.00-1.73 (2H, m), 1.63 (2H, quint, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 1.54-1.44 (1H, m), 1.43-1.33 (1H, m); ¹³C NMR (CD₃OD): 178.5, 143.7, 143.6, 142.0, 141.8, 131.0, 129.1, 127.4, 127.3, 126.4, 126.3, 110.4, 95.2 (d, $J = 169.5$ Hz), 65.9, 38.2, 37.9, 35.6, 26.1, 25.89, 25.85; ¹⁹F NMR (CD₃OD): -175.90 (1F, ddd, $J = 45.9, 28.7, 17.2$ Hz).



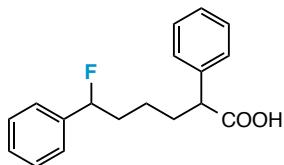
6-(4-acetylphenyl)-6-fluorohexanoic acid (**11**). 28% yield. Clear oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3300-2500 (COOH) and 1668 (CO). ¹H NMR (CD₃OD): 8.00 (2H, d, $J = 7.8$ Hz), 7.48 (2H, d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 5.54 (1H, ddd, $J = 48.1, 7.8, 5.1$ Hz), 2.61 (3H, s), 2.16 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 2.02-1.75 (2H, m), 1.64 (2H, quint, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 1.54-1.36 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (CD₃OD): 200.1, 182.6, 147.8, 147.6, 138.0, 129.6, 126.72, 126.65, 94.8 (d, $J = 171.8$ Hz), 39.0, 38.3, 38.1, 27.4, 26.7, 26.10, 26.06; ¹⁹F NMR (CD₃OD): -178.70 (1F, ddd, $J = 47.0, 28.7, 18.4$ Hz).



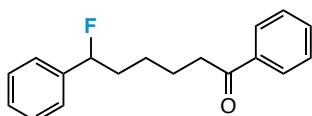
2-(3-fluoro-3-phenylpropyl)benzoic acid (**12**). 40% yield. Clear oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3300-2500 (COOH) and 1687 (CO). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 11.67 (1H, br s), 8.09 (1H, d, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 7.50 (1H, m), 7.36-7.28 (7H, m), 5.50 (1H, ddd, $J = 47.9, 8.2, 3.9$ Hz), 3.28-3.21 (1H, m), 3.18-3.11 (1H, m), 2.38-2.22 (1H, m), 2.20-2.11 (1H, m); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): 173.0, 144.4, 140.2, 140.0, 133.2, 132.0, 131.6, 128.54, 128.50, 128.4, 128.24, 128.22, 126.4, 125.6, 125.5, 94.1 (d, $J = 171.0$ Hz), 38.9, 38.7, 30.6, 30.5; ¹⁹F NMR (CDCl₃): -175.12 (1F, ddd, $J = 47.0, 29.8, 16.1$ Hz).



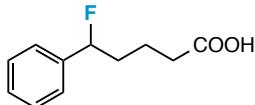
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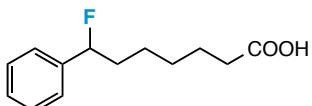
6-fluoro-2,6-diphenylhexanoic acid (**14**). 56% yield. Clear oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3300-2500 (COOH) and 1704 (CO). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): 7.37-7.25 (10H, m), 5.38 (1H, ddd, $J = 47.7, 8.2, 4.5$ Hz), 3.59 (1H, br s), 2.19-2.07 (1H, m), 2.06-1.91 (1H, m), 1.91-1.72 (2H, m), 1.57-1.28 (3H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): 140.3, 140.1, 128.7, 128.4, 128.24, 128.23, 128.0, 127.5, 125.5, 125.4, 95.13, 95.08, 93.44, 93.38, 37.0, 36.8, 32.8, 23.3; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): -174.16 (1F, ddd, $J = 47.0, 29.8, 17.2$ Hz), -174.39 (1F, ddd, $J = 47.0, 29.8, 16.1$ Hz).



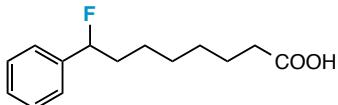
6-fluoro-1,6-diphenyl-hexanone (**15**). 30% yield. White solid; 30-32 °C. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 2938 (CH), 2863 (CH), and 1684 (CO). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): 7.96-7.93 (2H, m), 7.59-7.53 (1H, m), 7.49-7.43 (2H, m), 7.39-7.30 (5H, m), 5.45 (1H, ddd, $J = 47.5, 7.8, 5.0$ Hz), 2.99 (1H, t, 7.3 Hz), 2.17-1.87 (2H, m), 1.86-1.74 (2H, m), 1.65-1.55 (1H, m), 1.53-1.40 (1H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): 200.1, 133.0, 128.64, 128.60, 128.50, 128.45, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 125.6, 125.5, 94.4 (d, $J = 169.5$ Hz), 38.4, 37.1 (d, $J = 23.6$ Hz), 24.9, 23.9; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): -174.1 (1F, ddd, $J = 47.0, 28.7, 16.1$ Hz).



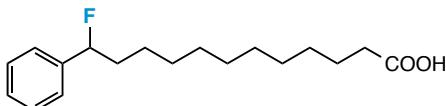
5-fluoro-5-phenylpentanoic acid (**17**). 58% yield. Clear oil. $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3300-2500 (COOH) and 1705 (CO). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): 11.19 (1H, br s), 7.39-7.35 (2H, m), 7.33-7.31 (3H, m), 5.45 (1H, ddd, $J = 48.1, 7.8, 4.1$ Hz), 2.44-2.41 (2H, m), 2.09-1.98 (1H, m), 1.96-1.81 (2H, m), 1.79-1.69 (1H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): 179.5, 140.1, 139.9, 128.5, 128.3, 125.5, 125.4, 94.1 (d, $J = 171.8$ Hz), 36.5, 36.2, 20.4, 20.3; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): -174.90 (1F, ddd, $J = 45.9, 28.7, 18.4$ Hz).



7-fluoro-7-phenylheptanoic acid (**18**). 57% yield. Clear oil. $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3300-2500 (COOH) and 1706 (CO). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): 10.49 (1H, br s), 7.41-7.36 (2H, m), 7.35-7.31 (3H m), 5.43 (1H, ddd, $J = 47.7, 8.0, 4.7$ Hz), 2.35 (2H, t, $J = 7.4$ Hz), 2.06-1.92 (1H, m), 1.91-1.75 (1H, m), 1.65 (2H, quint, $J = 7.4$ Hz), 1.57-1.47 (1H, m), 1.45-1.38 (3H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): 180.2, 140.5, 140.3, 128.4, 128.17, 128.16, 125.5, 125.4, 94.5 (d, $J = 171.0$ Hz), 37.1, 36.8, 34.0, 28.7, 24.72, 24.68, 24.4; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): -174.05 (1F, ddd, $J = 47.0, 28.7, 17.2$ Hz).

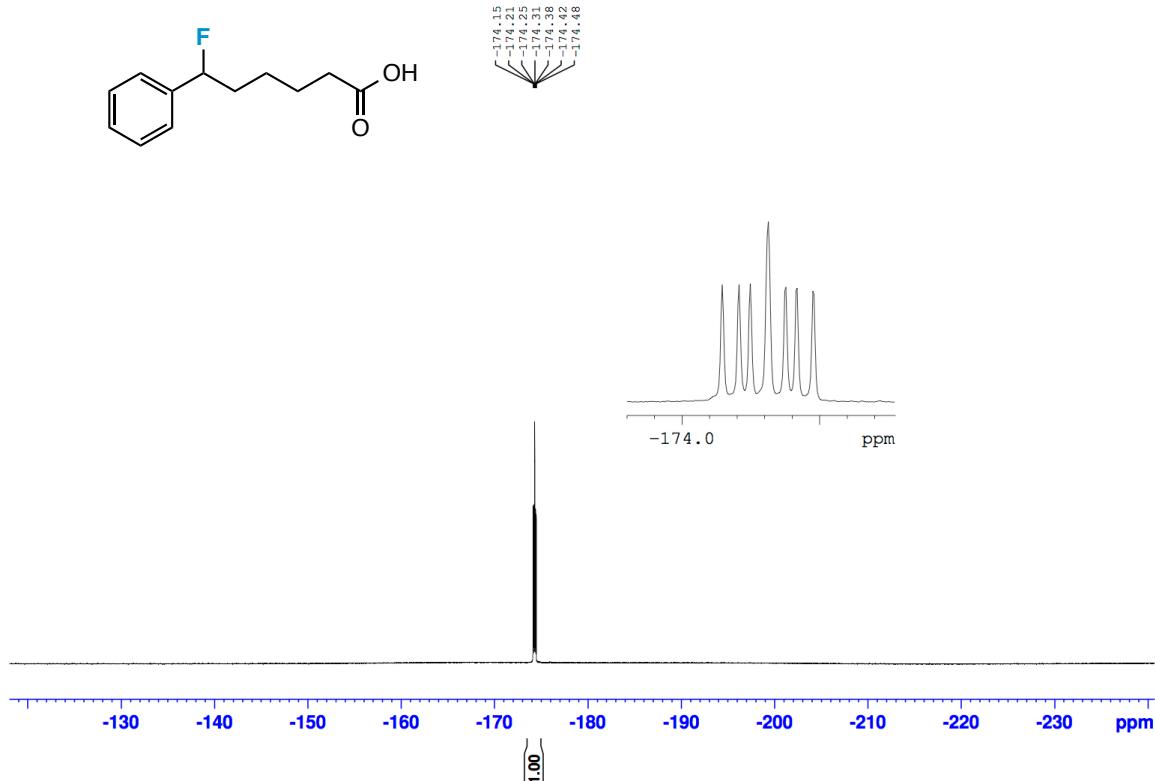


8-fluoro-8-phenyloctanoic acid (**19**). 46% yield. Clear oil. $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3300-2500 (COOH) and 1705 (CO). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): 9.97 (1H, br s), 7.40-7.35 (2H, m), 7.34-7.29 (3H, m), 5.41 (1H, ddd, $J = 47.7, 8.0, 4.9$ Hz), 2.34 (2H, t, $J = 7.4$ Hz), 2.03-1.90 (1H, m), 1.88-1.73 (1H, m), 1.62 (2H, quint, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 1.54-1.44 (1H, m), 1.43-1.31 (5H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): 180.1, 140.6, 140.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.16, 128.14, 125.53, 125.46, 94.6 (d, $J = 170.3$ Hz), 37.2, 37.0, 34.0, 28.9, 28.8, 24.9, 24.8, 24.5; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): -173.83 (1F, ddd, $J = 47.0, 27.5, 17.2$ Hz).

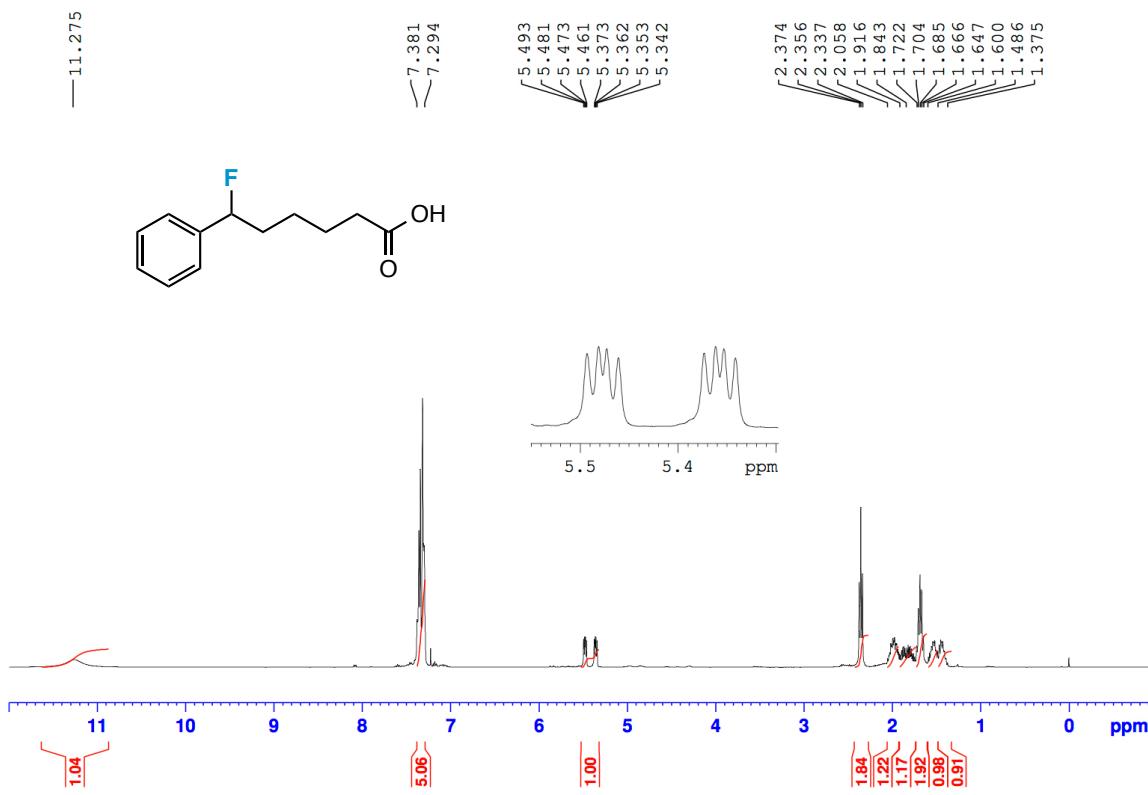


12-fluoro-12-phenyldodecanoic acid (**20**). 30% yield. White solid; m.p. 58-61 °C. $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3300-2500 (COOH) and 1704 (CO). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): 8.01 (1H, br s), 7.39-7.35 (2H, m), 7.33-7.29 (3H, m), 5.41 (1H, ddd, $J = 47.9, 8.2, 5.1$ Hz), 2.34 (2H, t, $J = 7.4$ Hz), 2.03-1.90 (1H, m), 1.88-1.72 (1H, m), 1.62 (2H, quint, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 1.52-1.41 (1H, m), 1.40-1.23 (13H, m); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): 140.7, 140.5, 128.4, 128.13, 128.11, 125.6, 125.5, 94.7 (d, $J = 171.0$ Hz), 37.3, 37.1, 29.43, 29.41, 29.35, 29.33, 29.2, 29.0, 25.10, 25.05, 24.7; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): -173.57 (1F, ddd, $J = 47.0, 28.7, 17.2$ Hz).

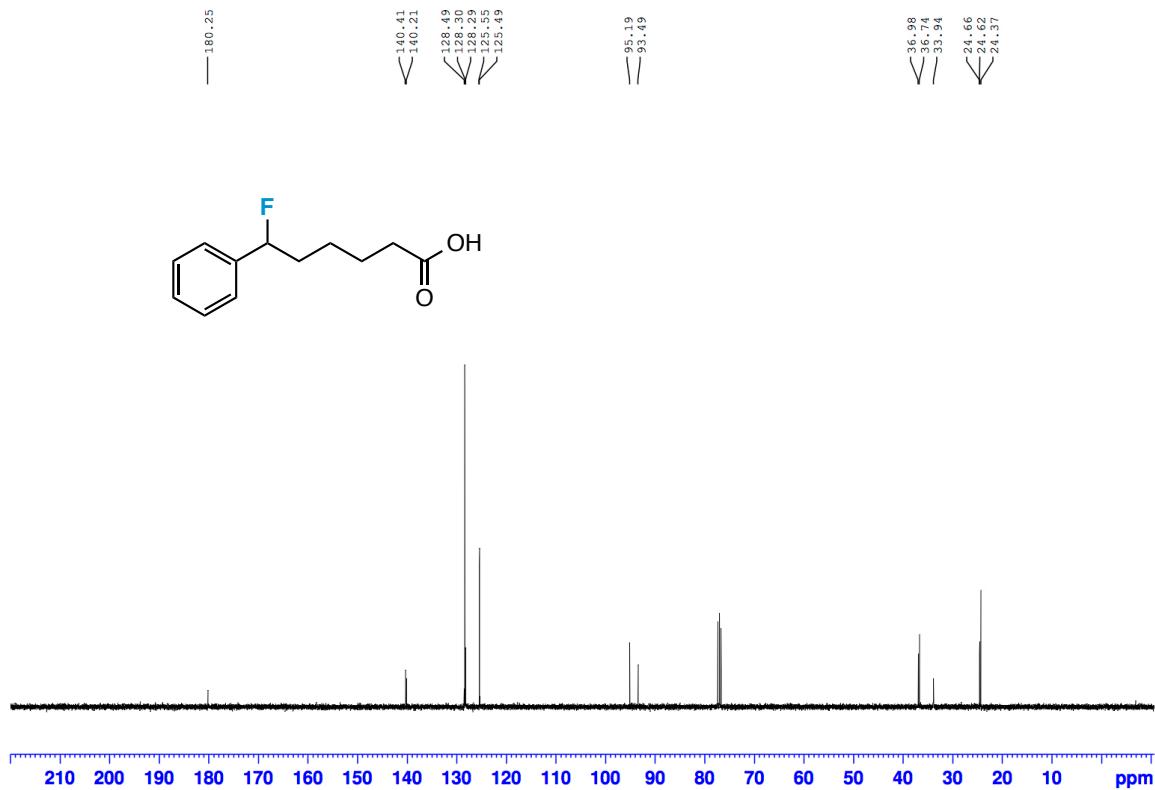
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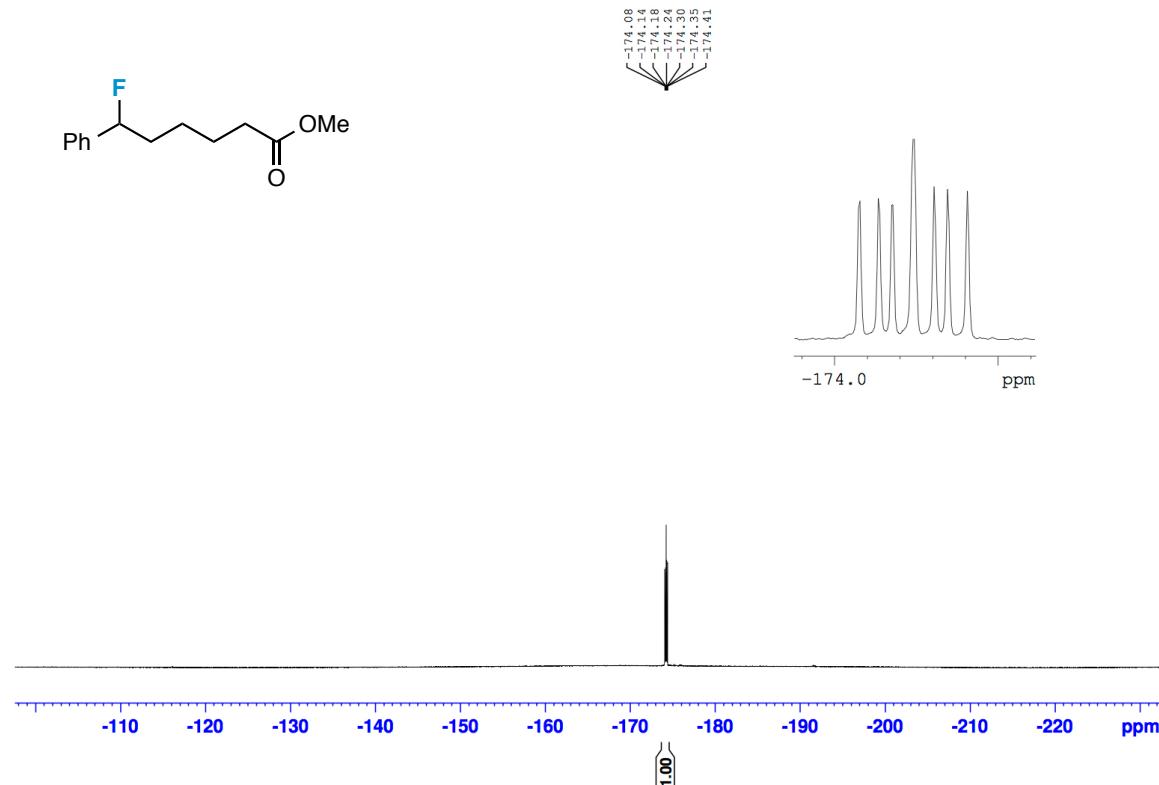
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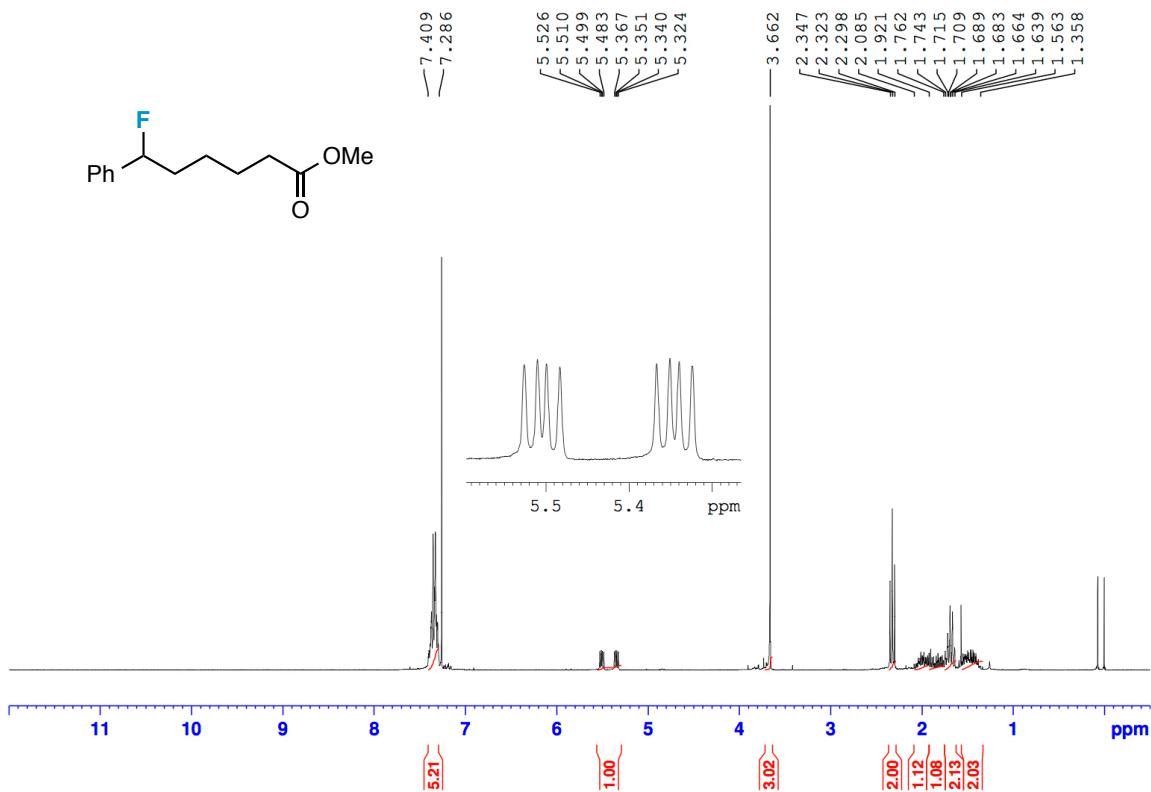
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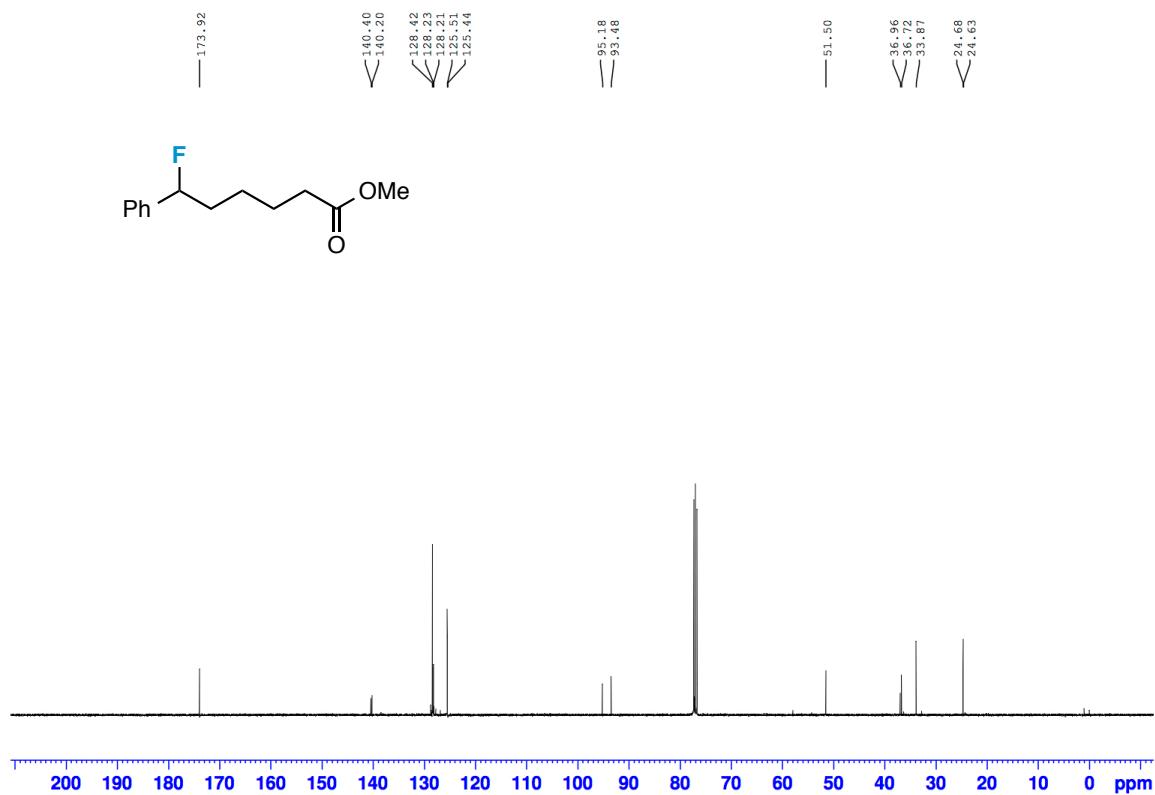
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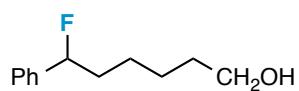
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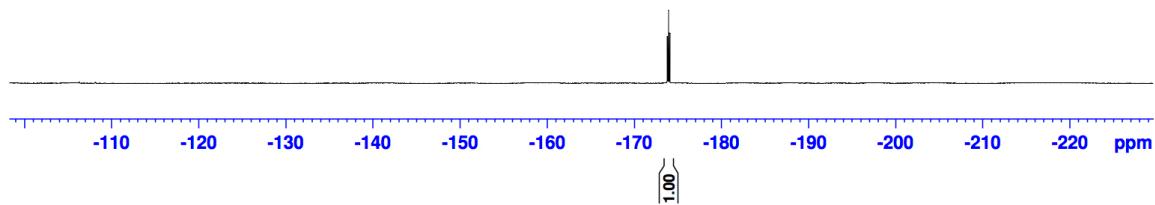
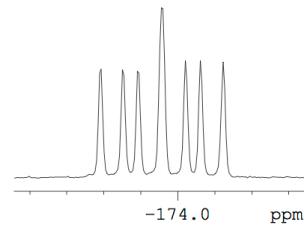
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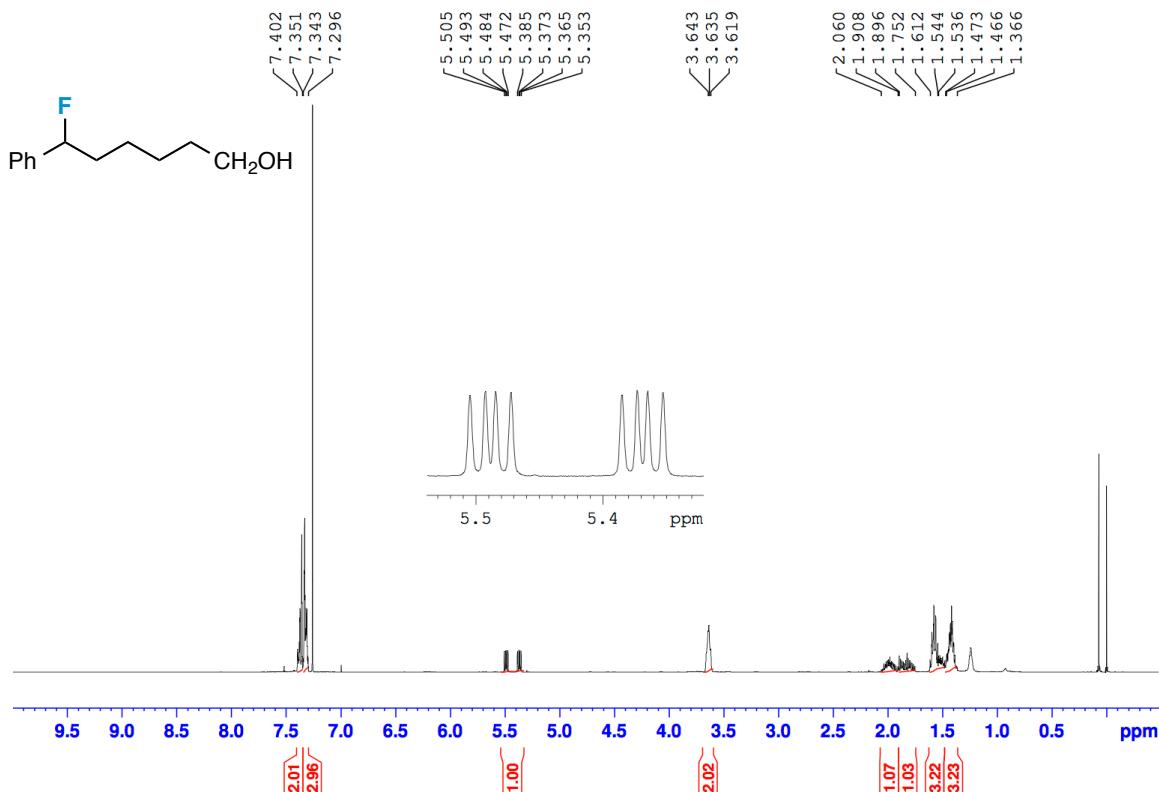
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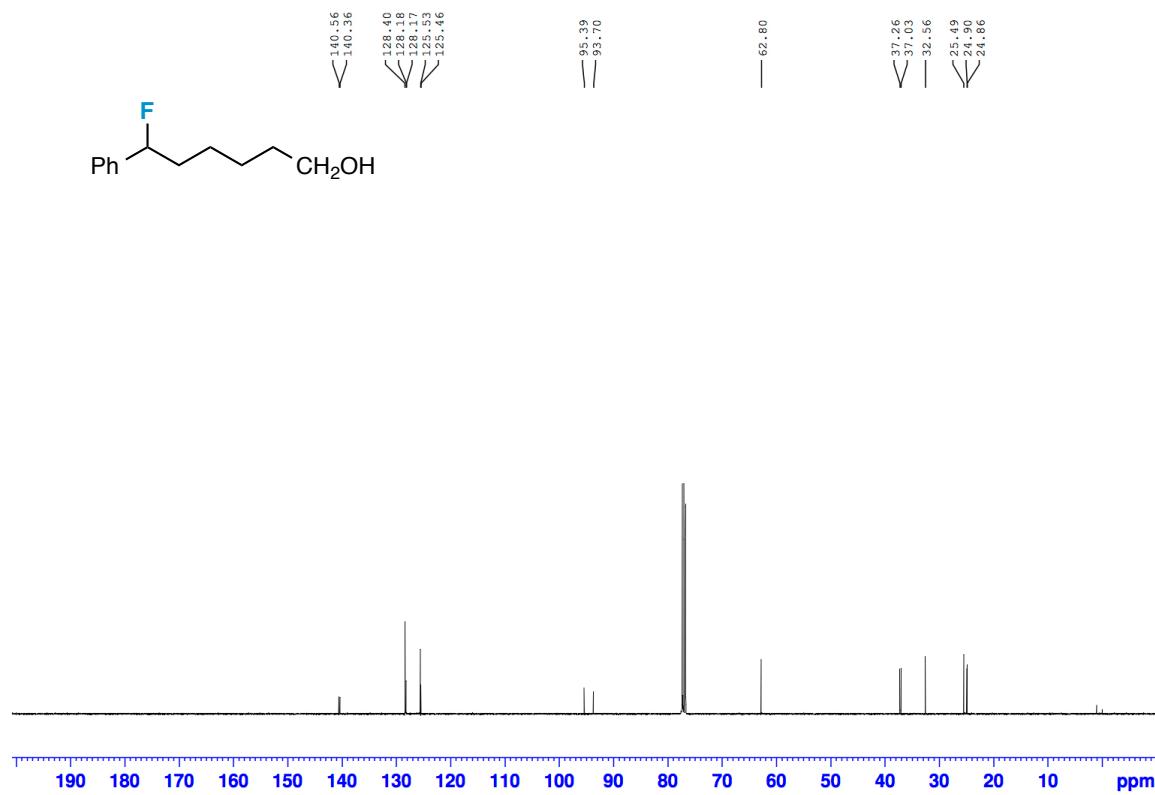
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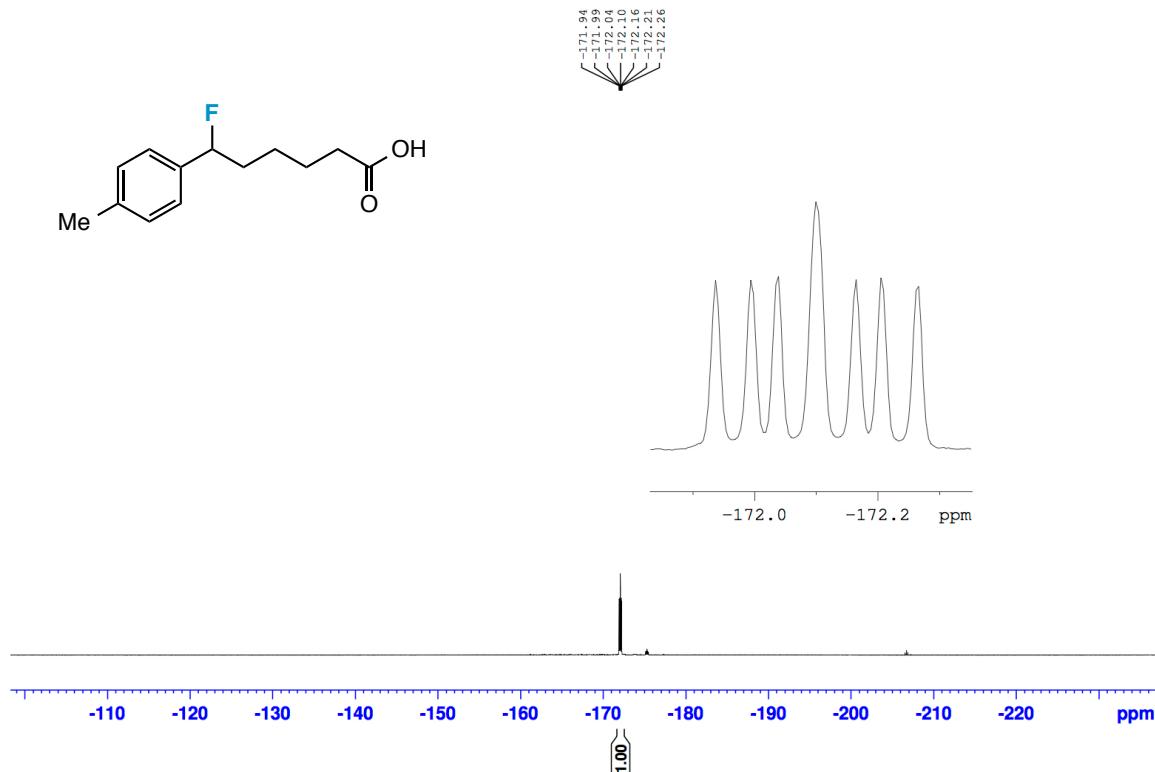
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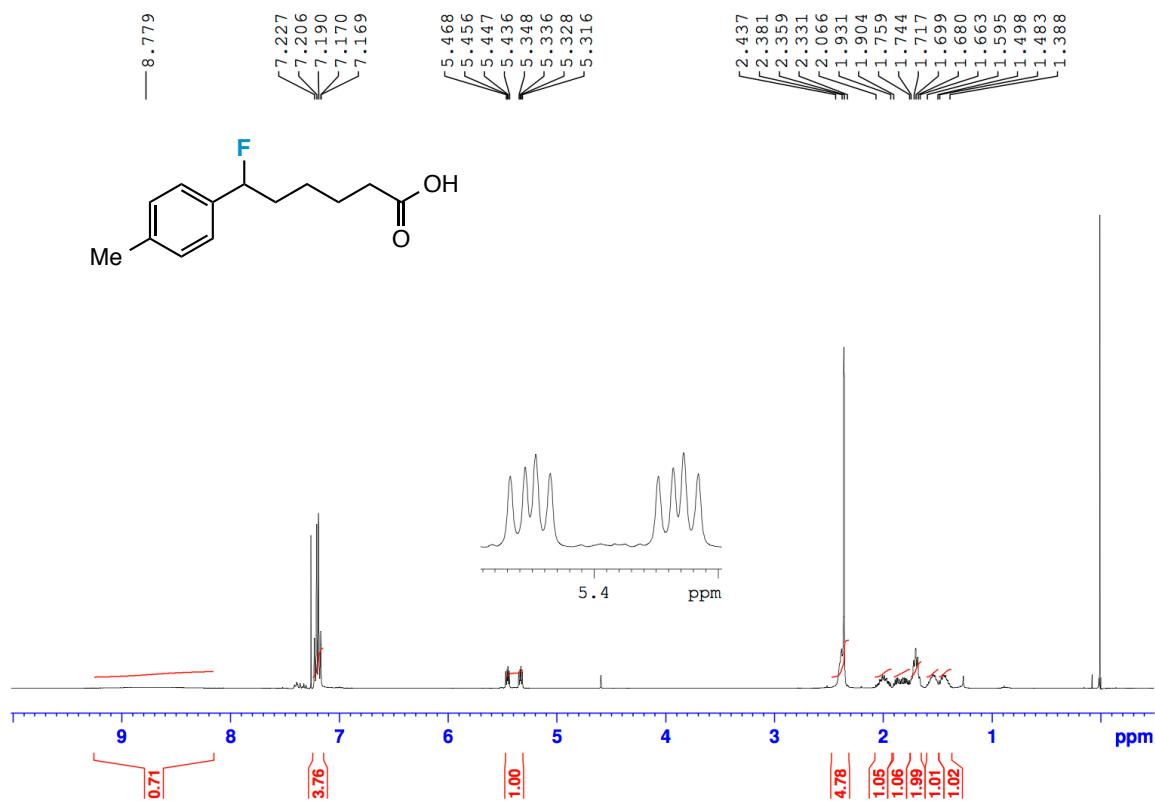


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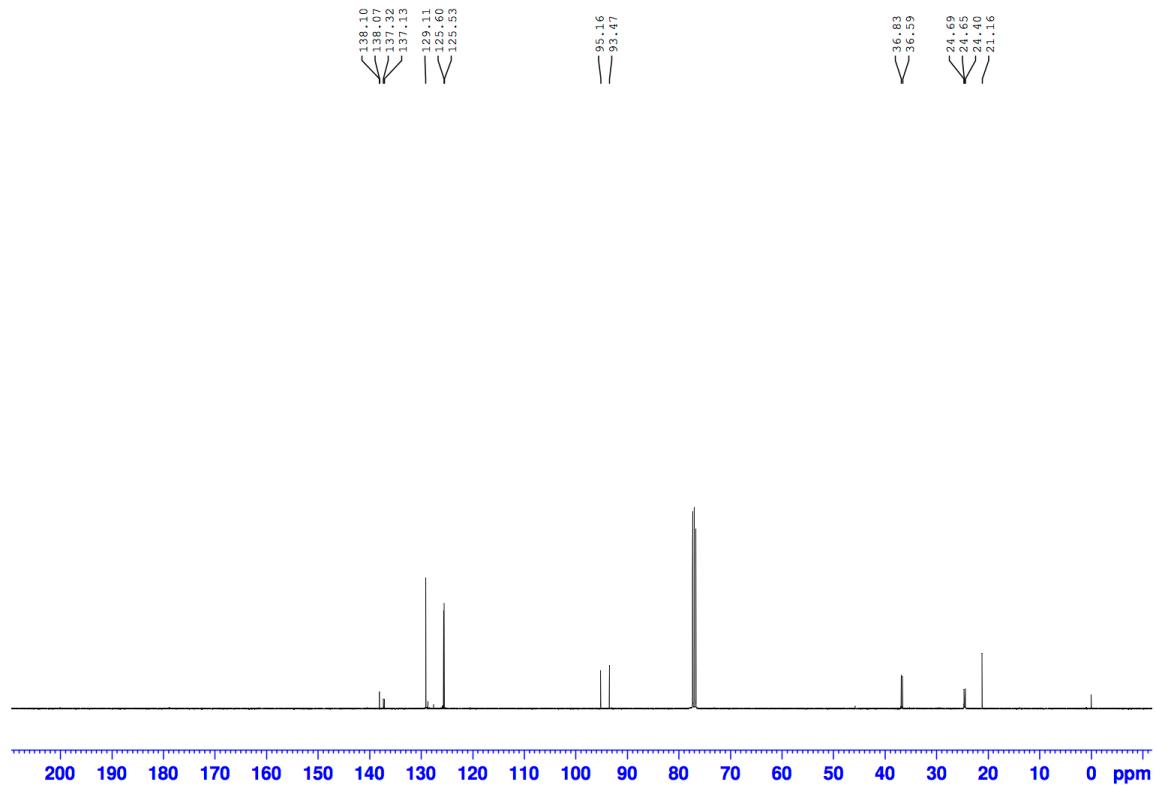
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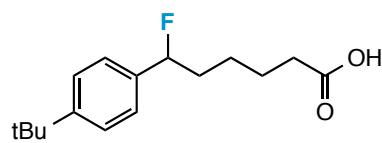


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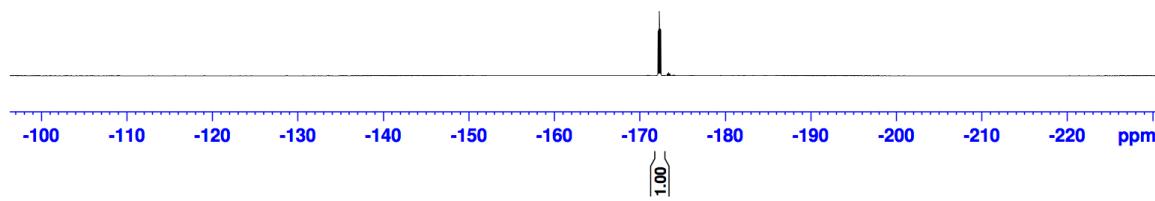
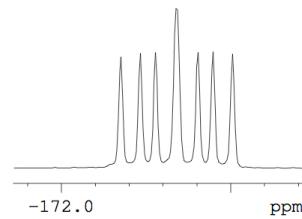
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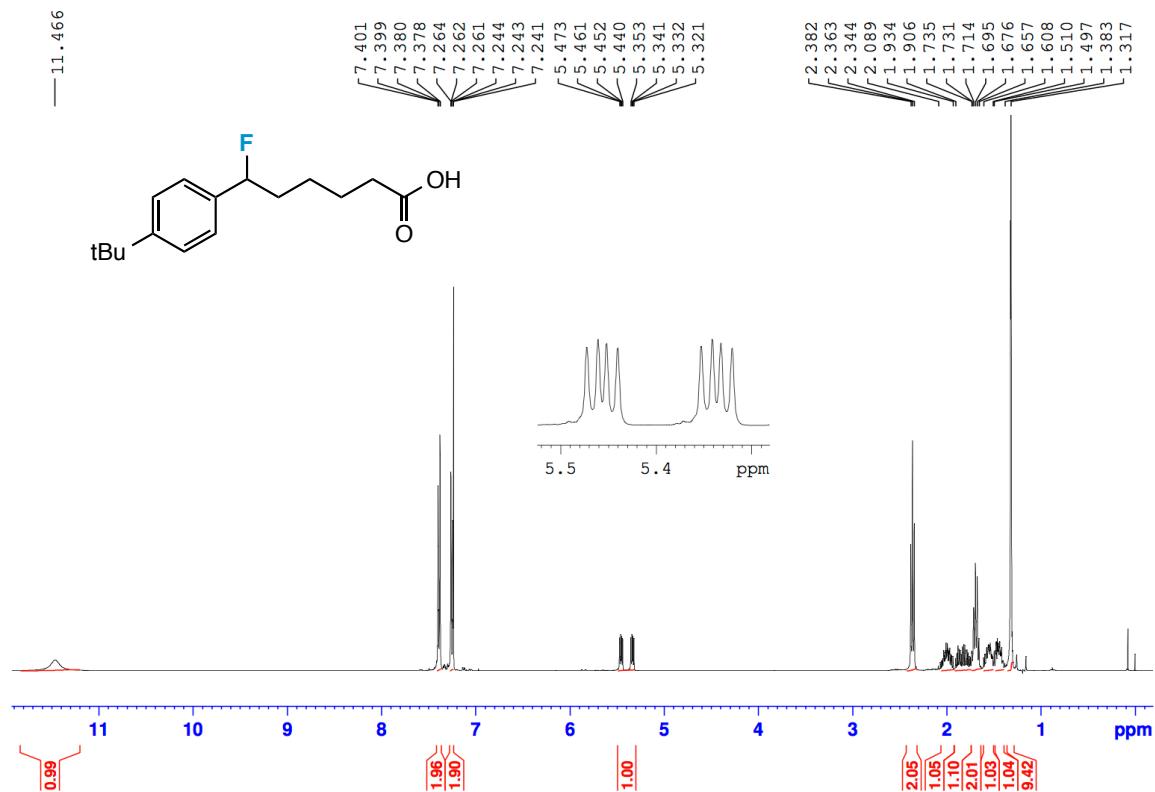
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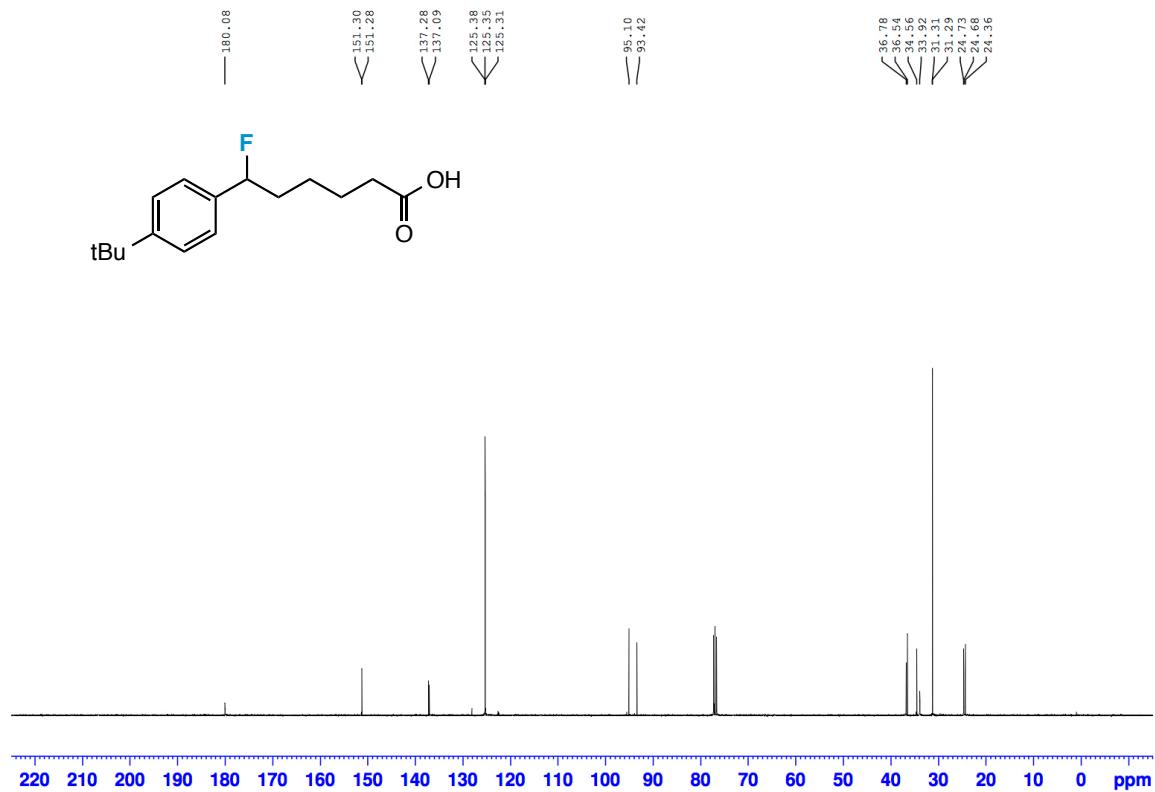
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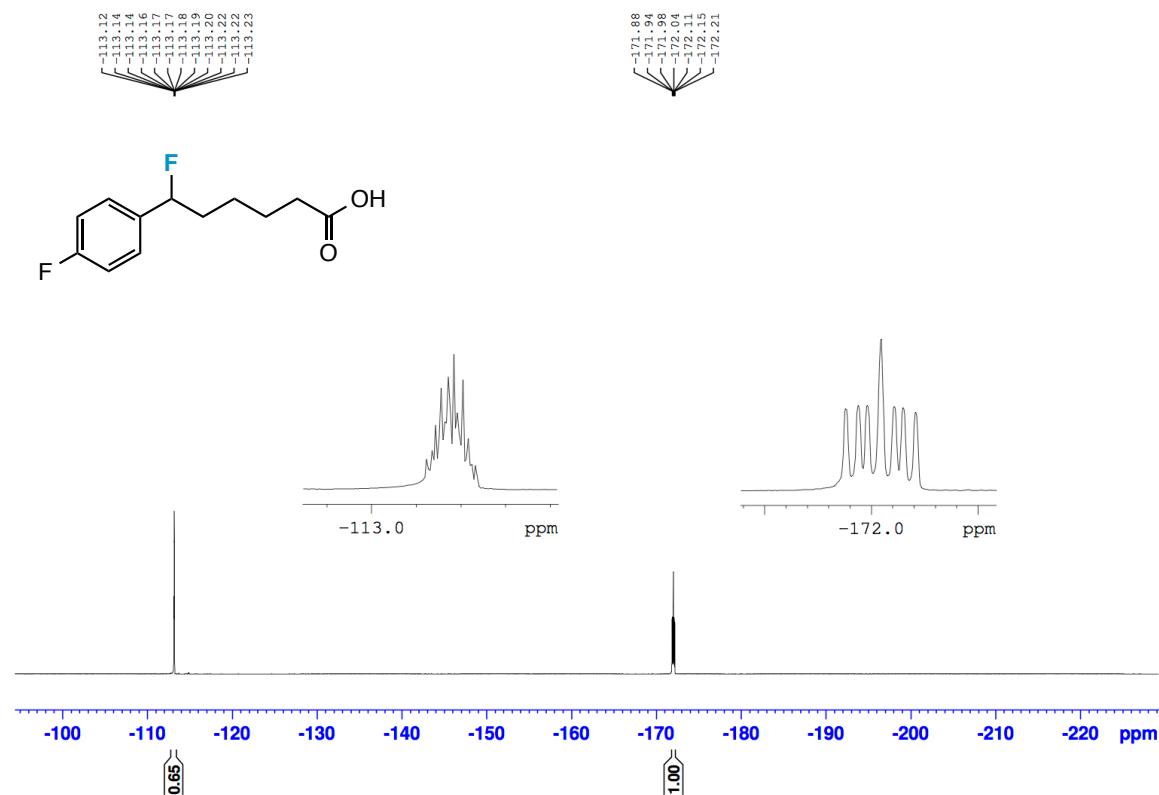
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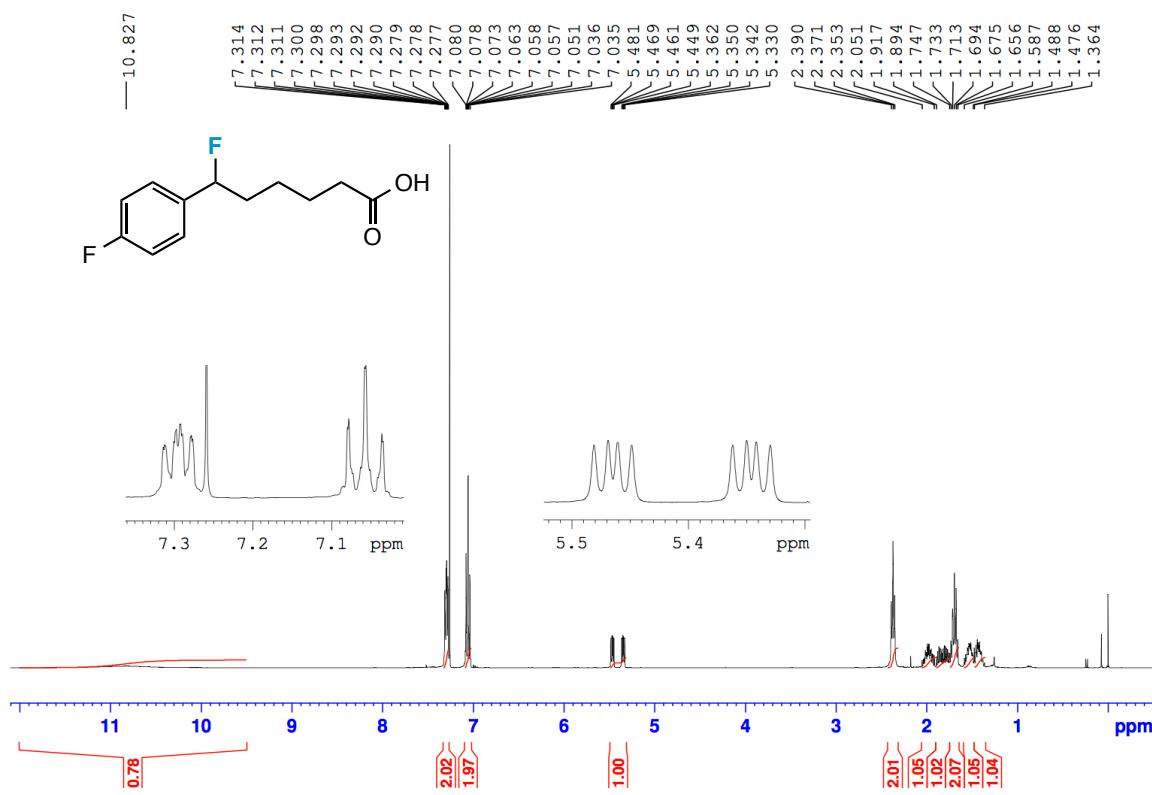
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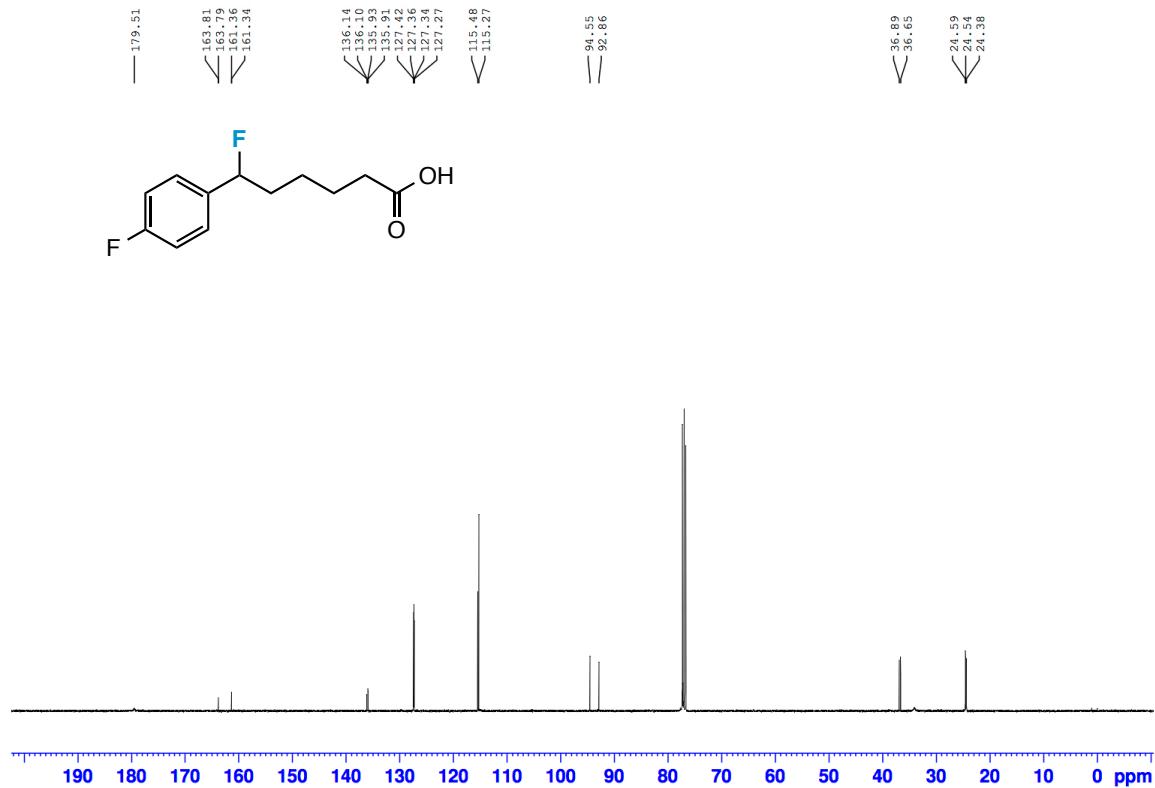
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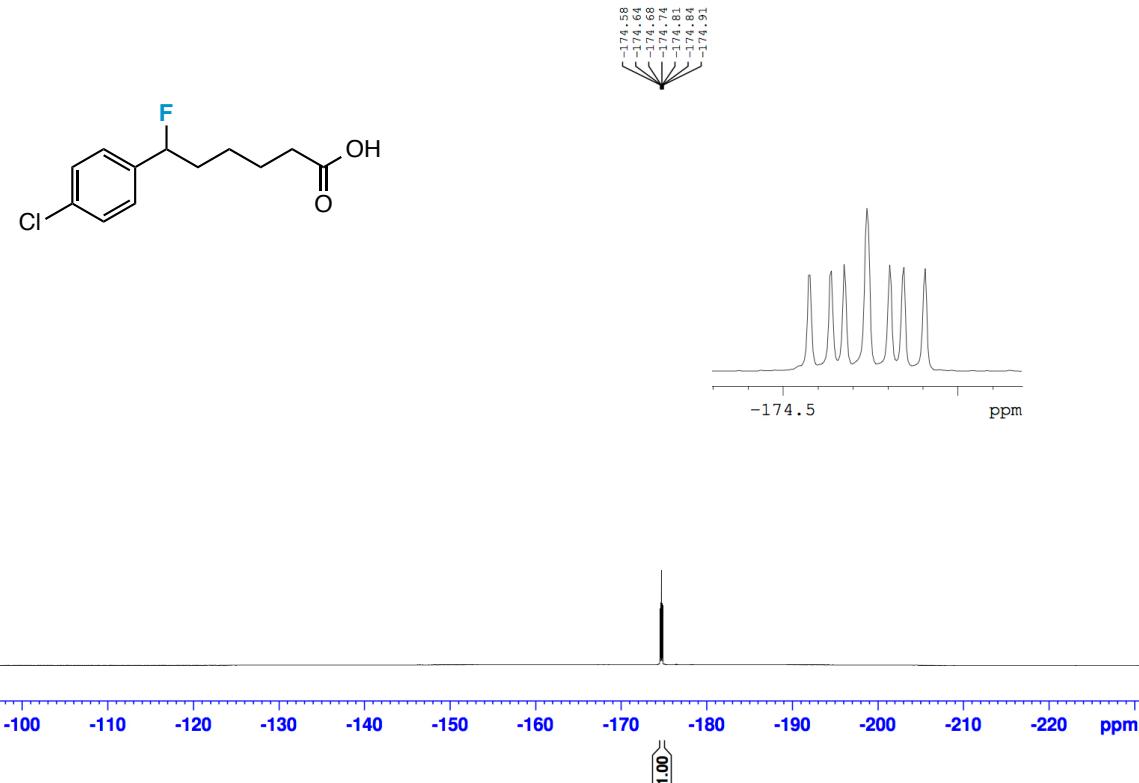
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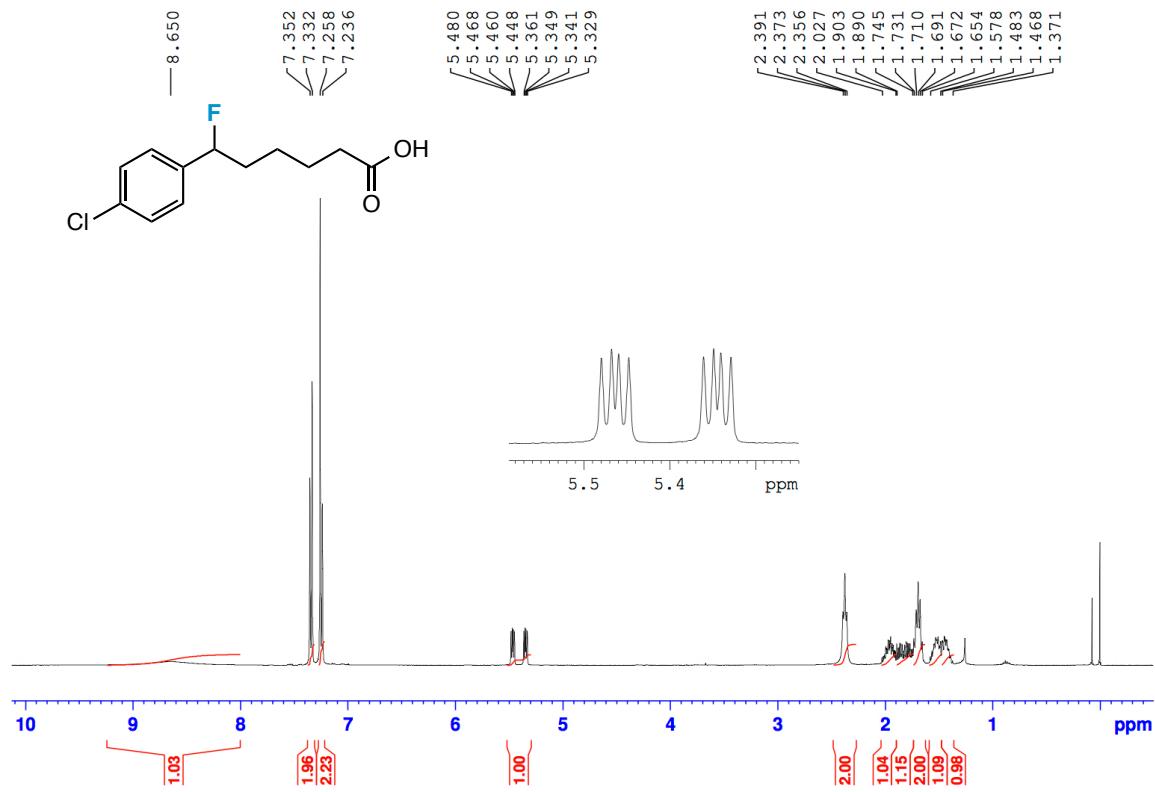
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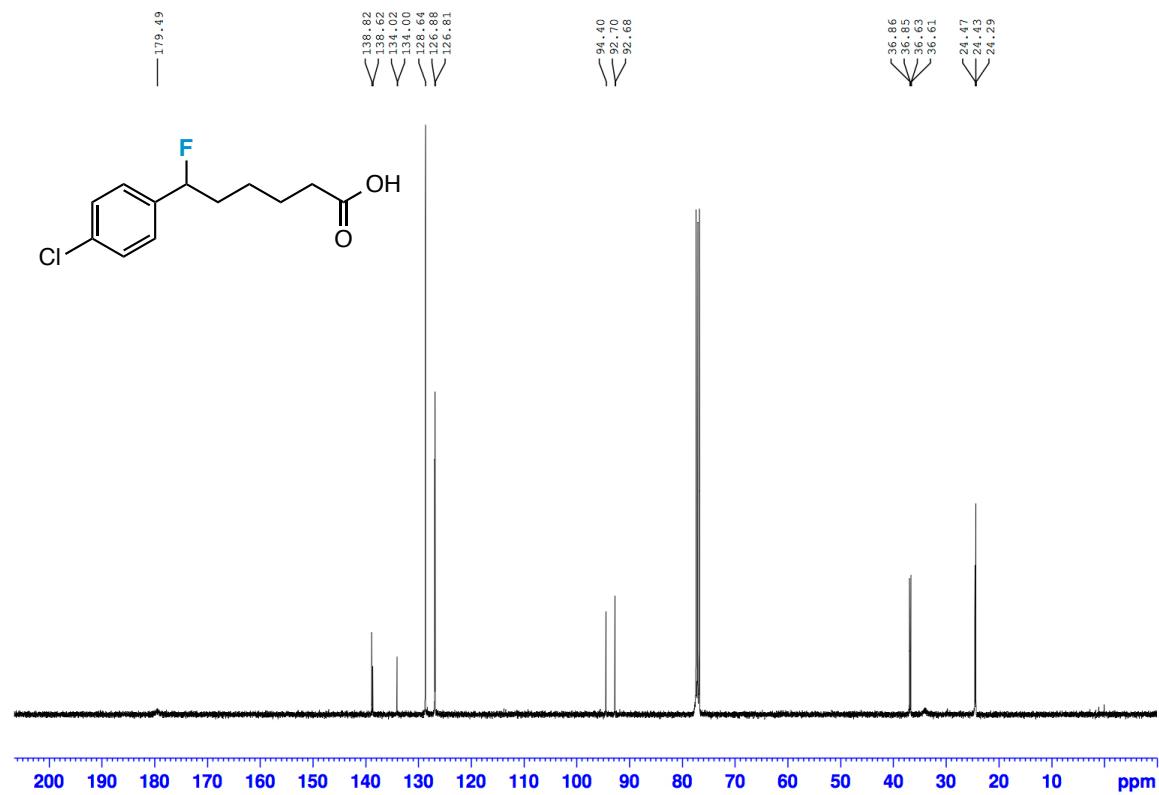
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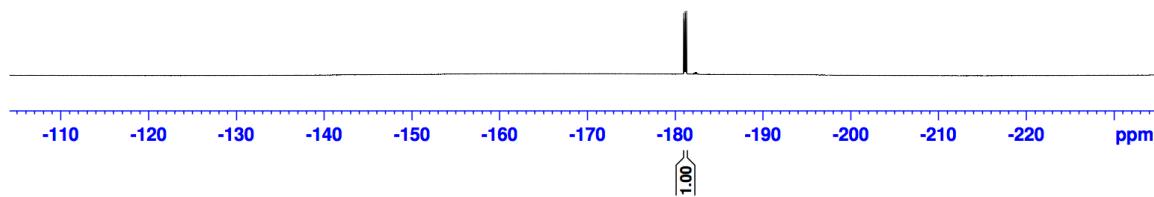
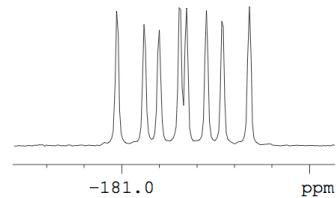
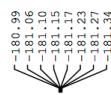
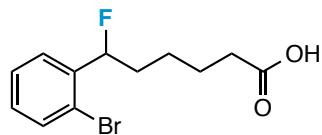
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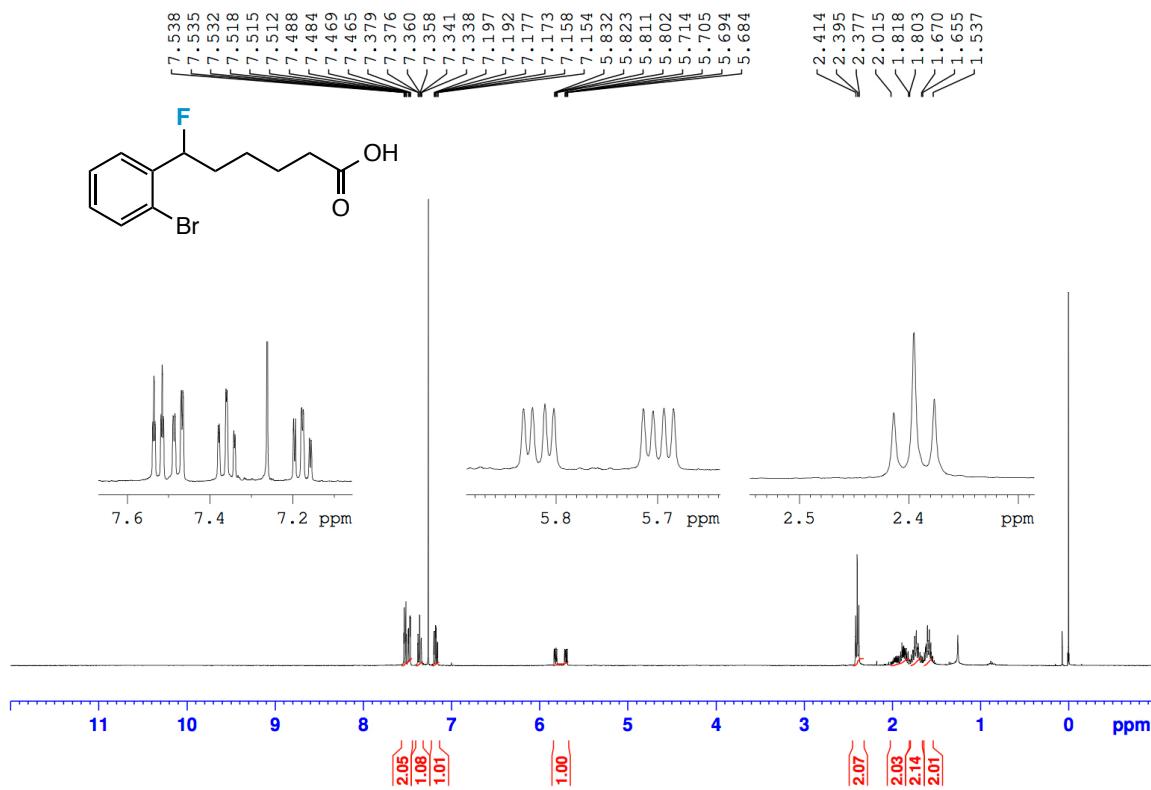
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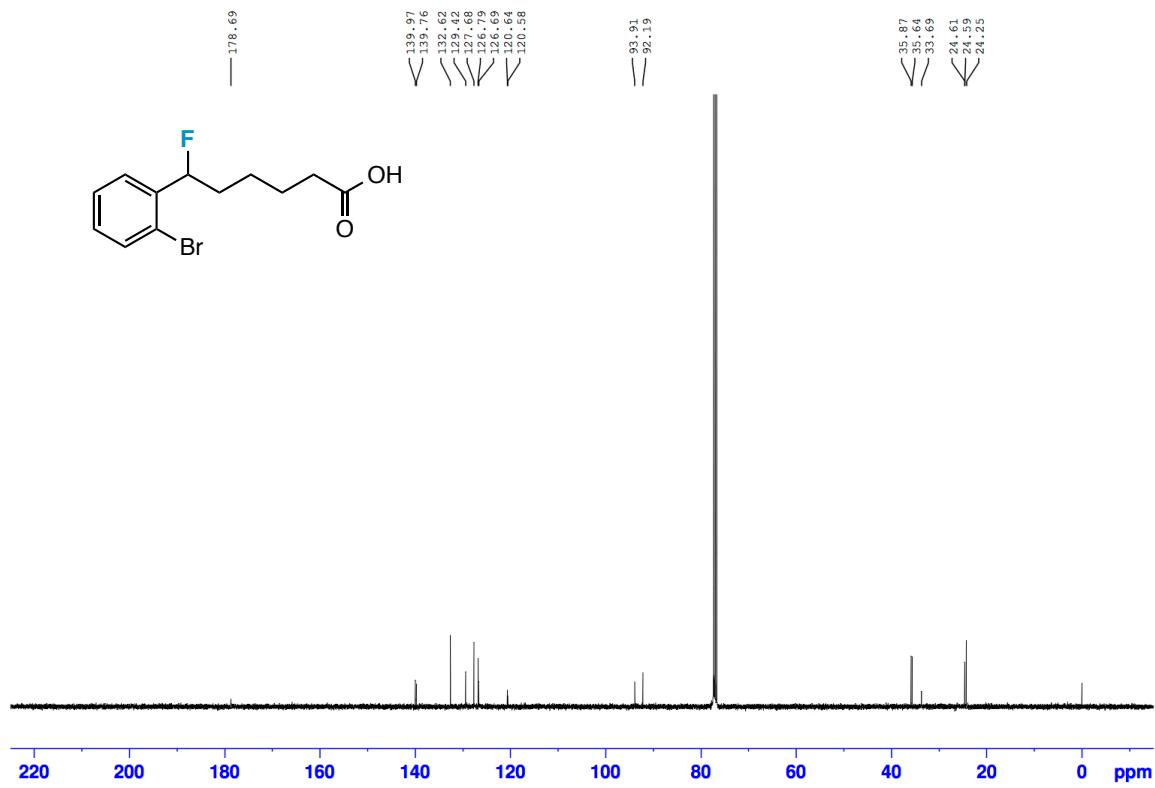
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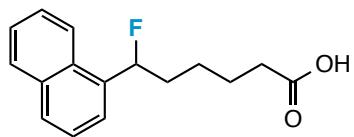
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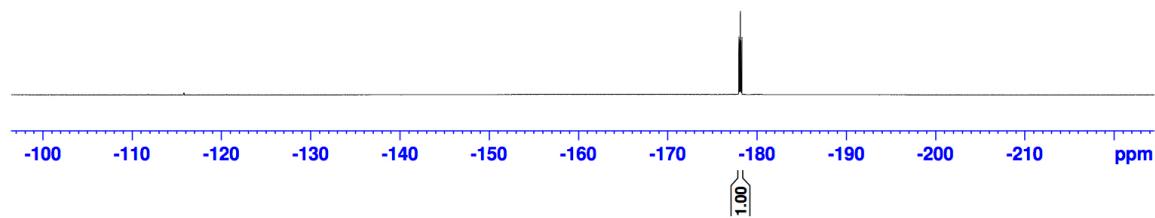
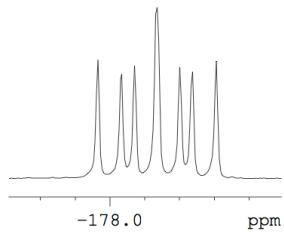
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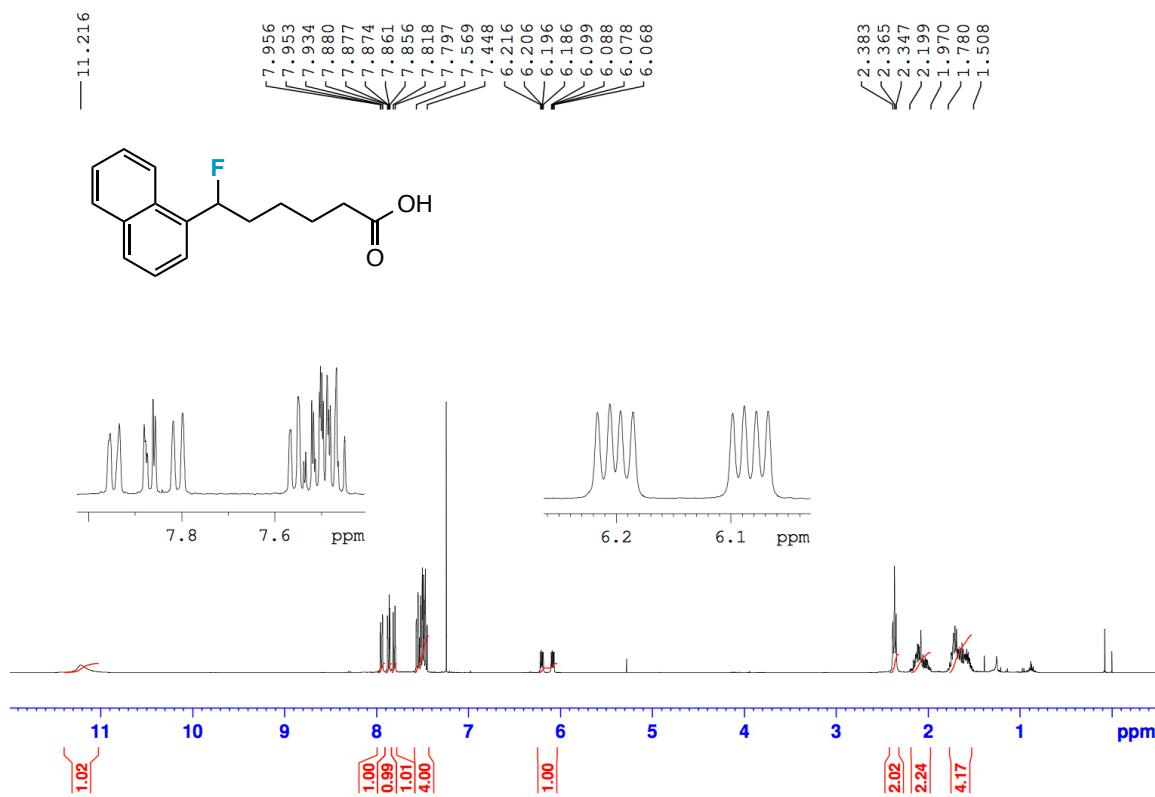


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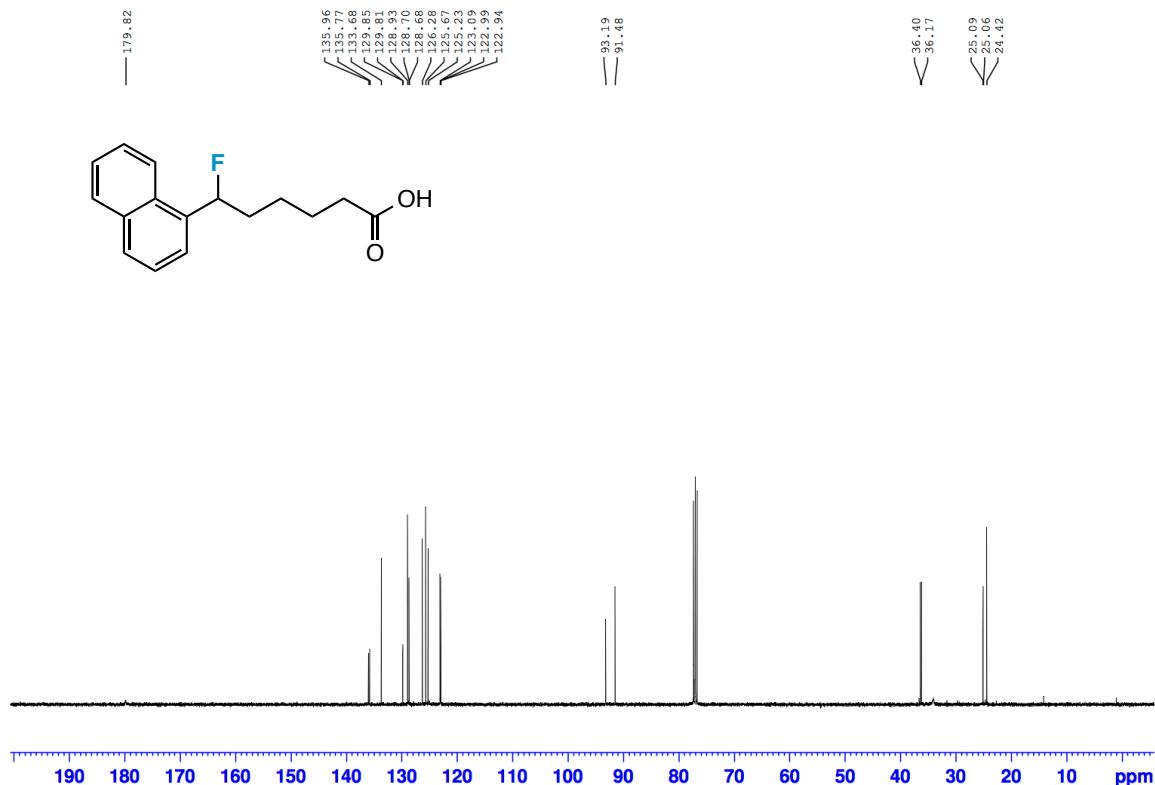


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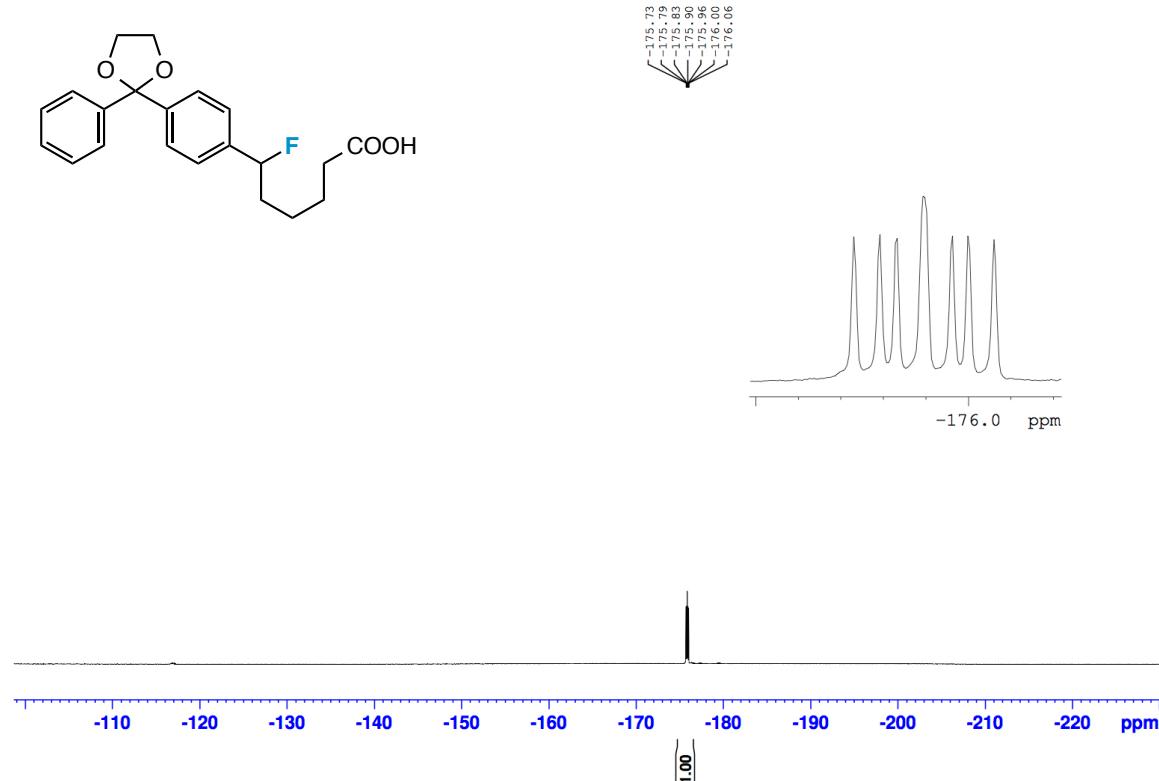
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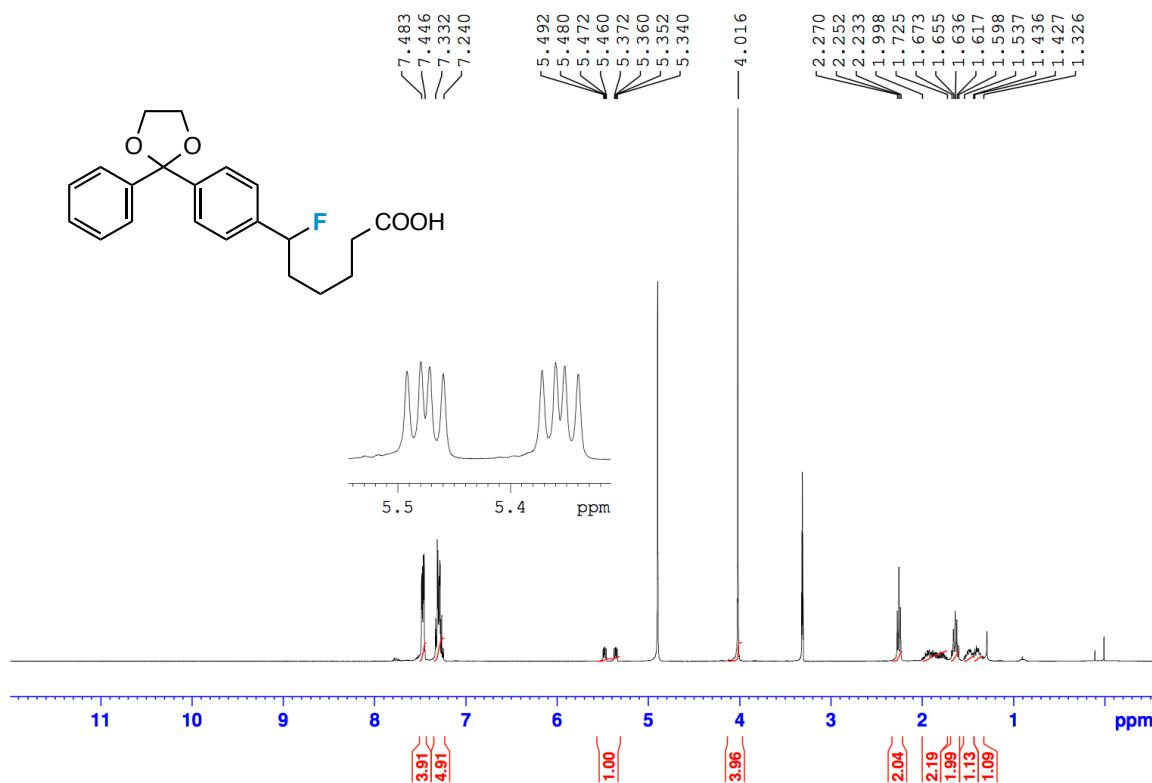
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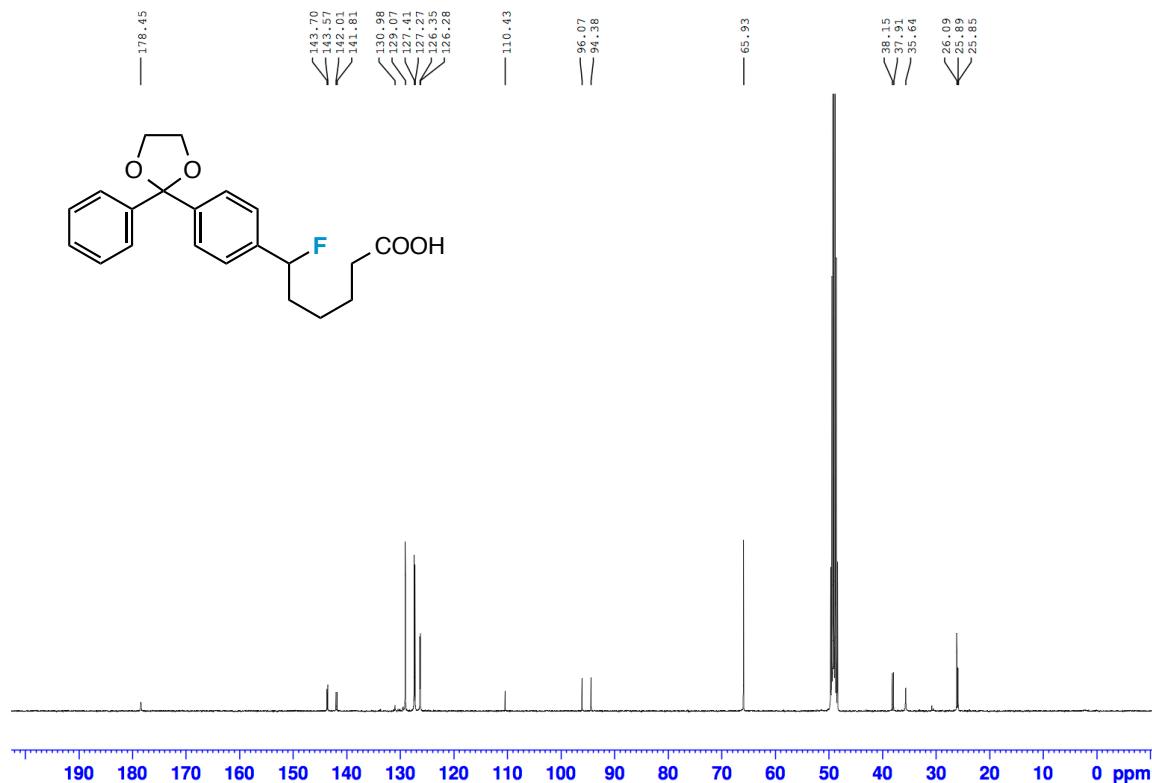
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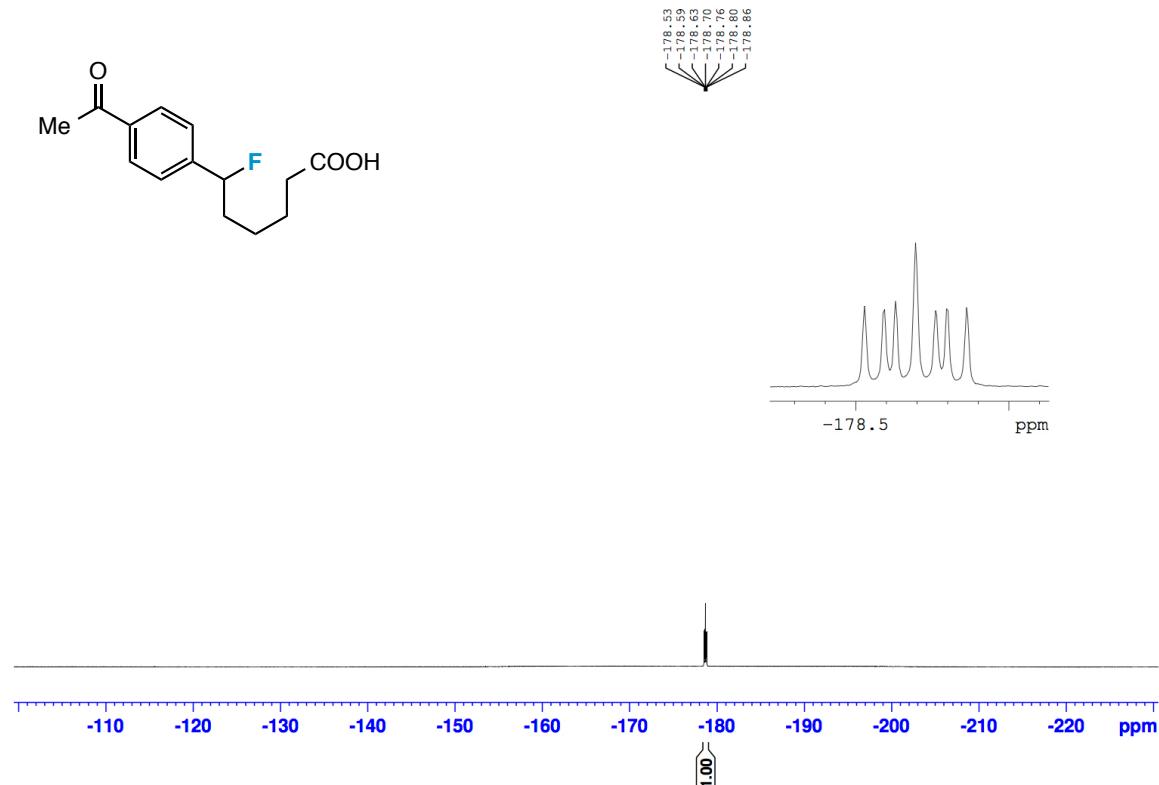
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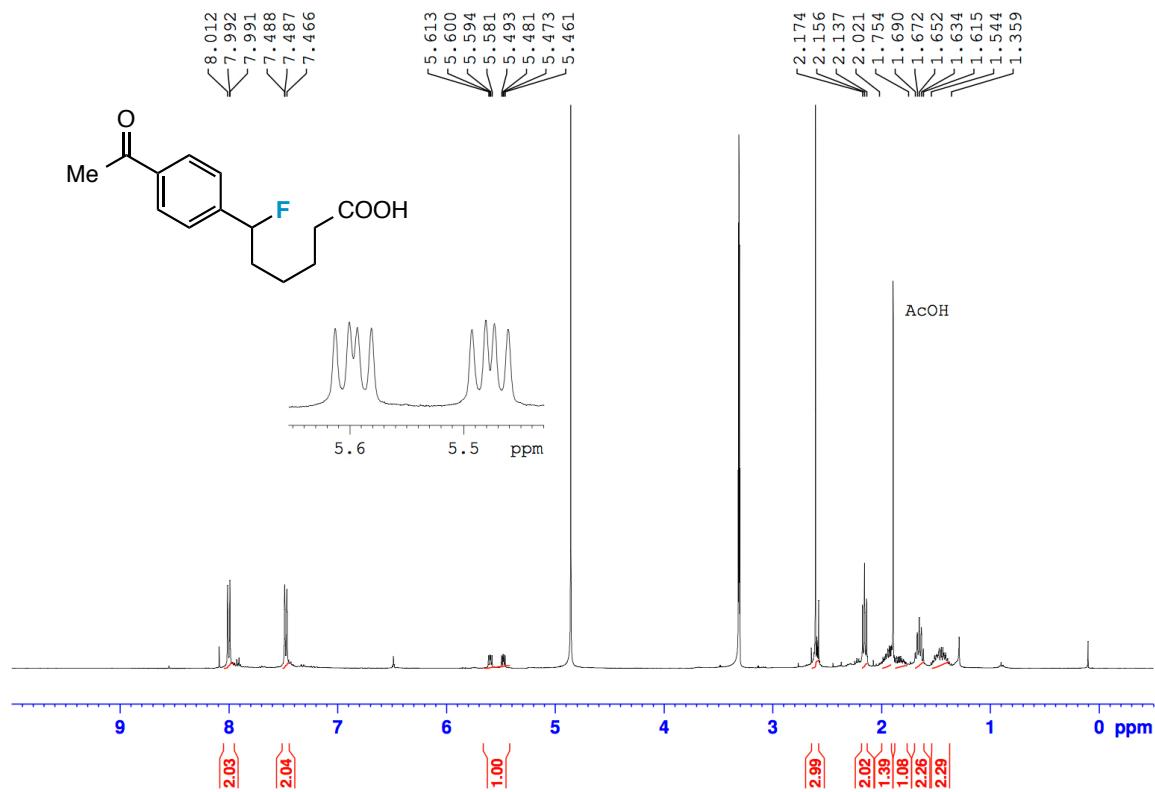
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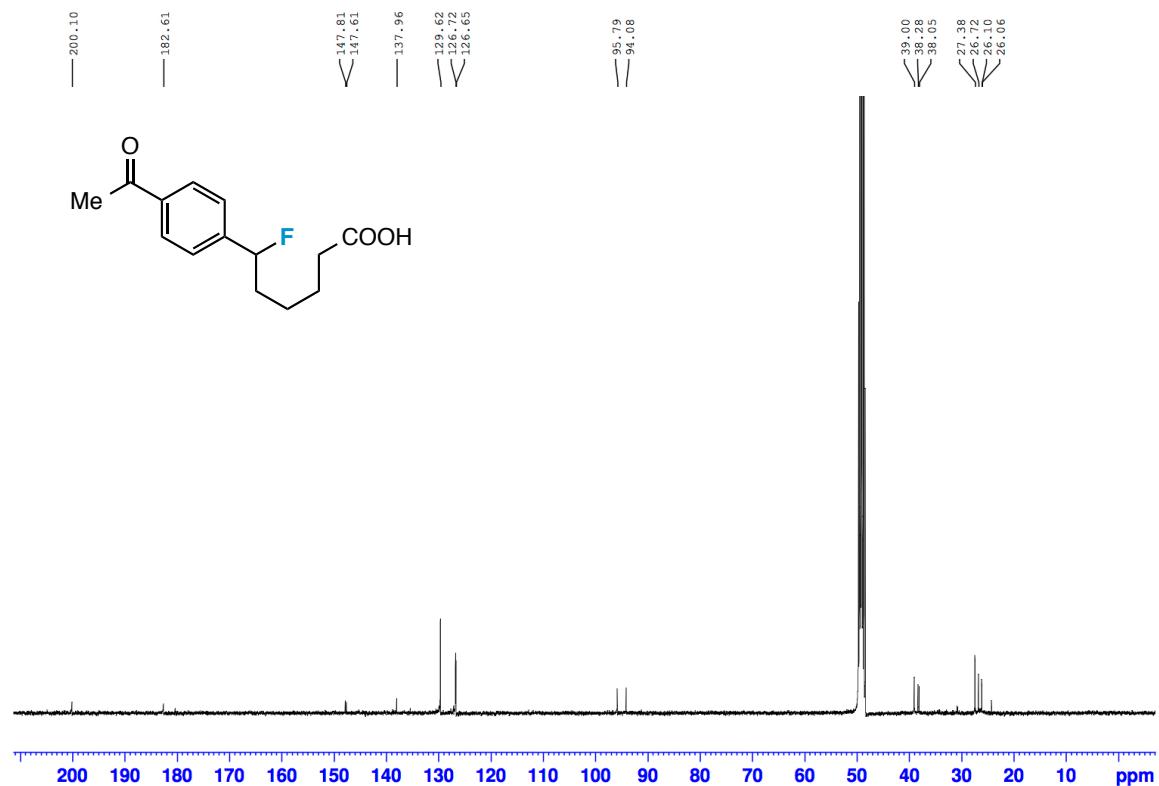
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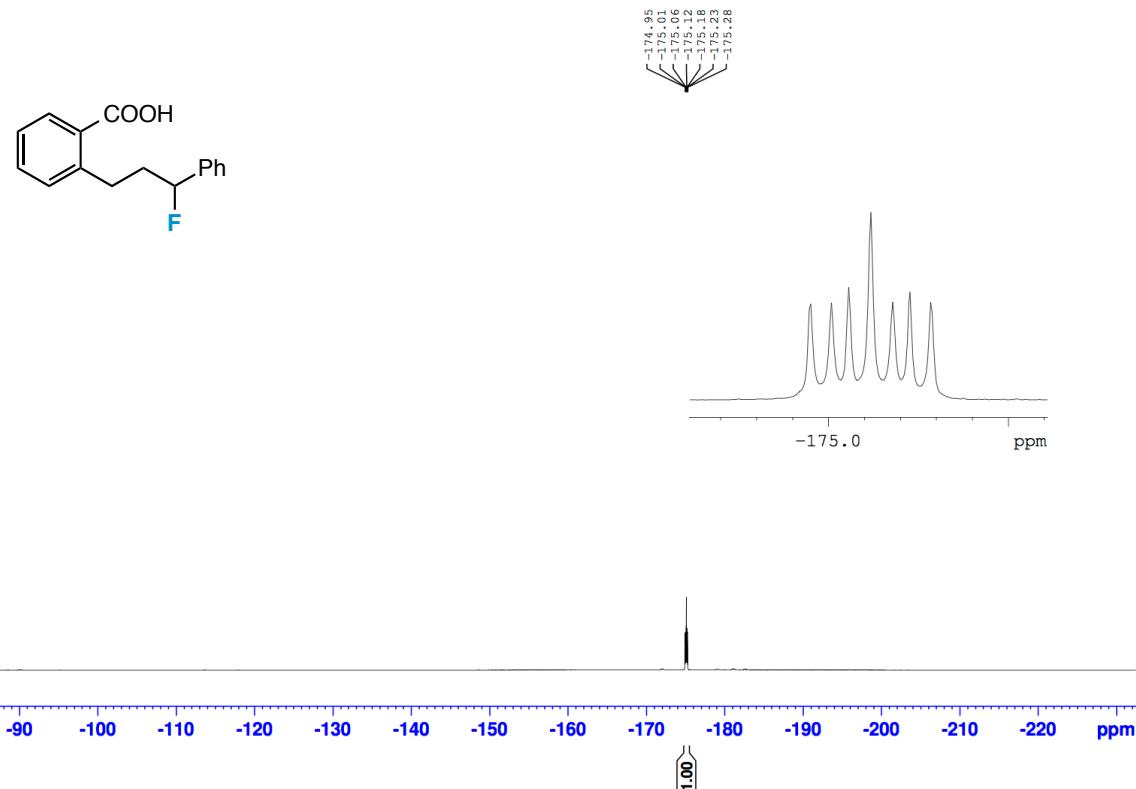
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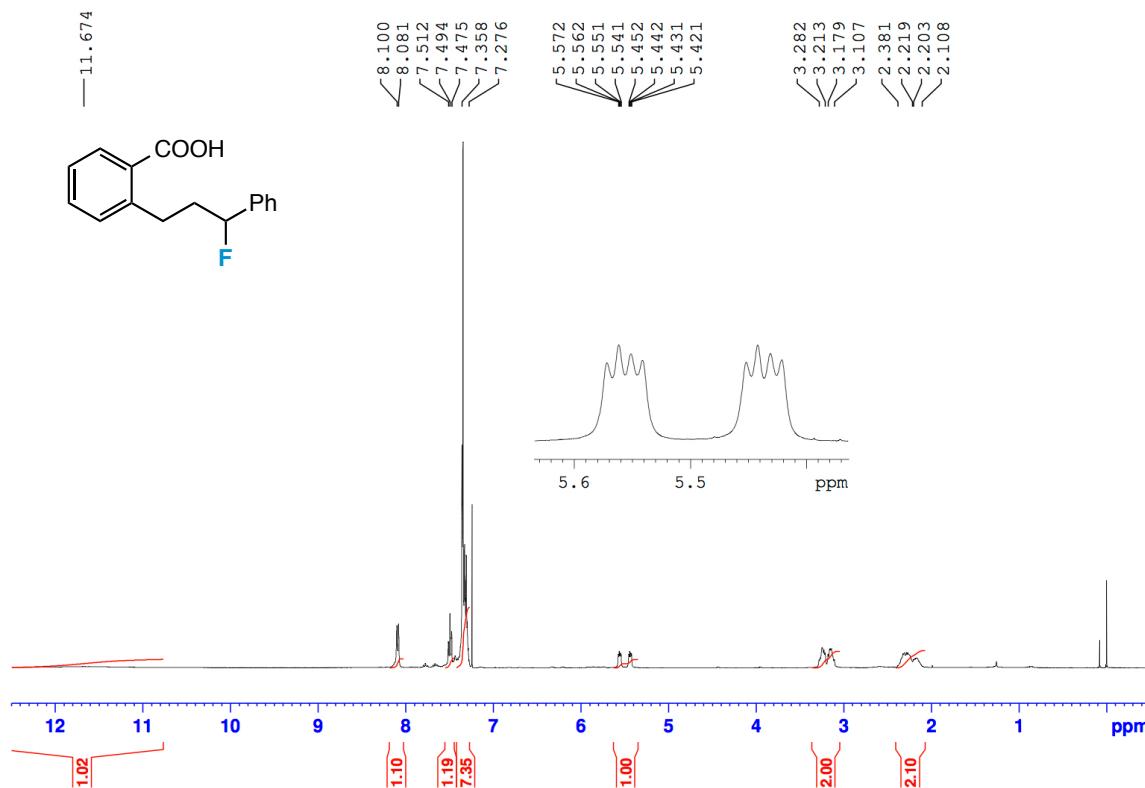
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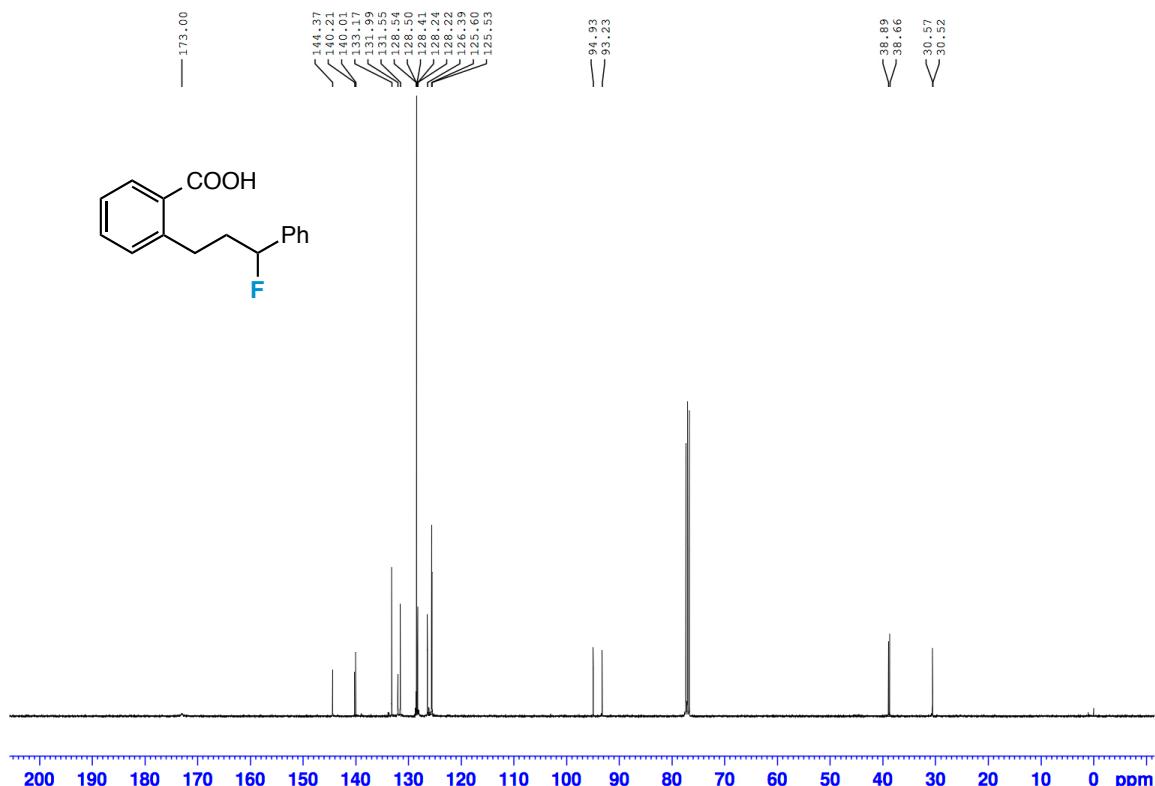
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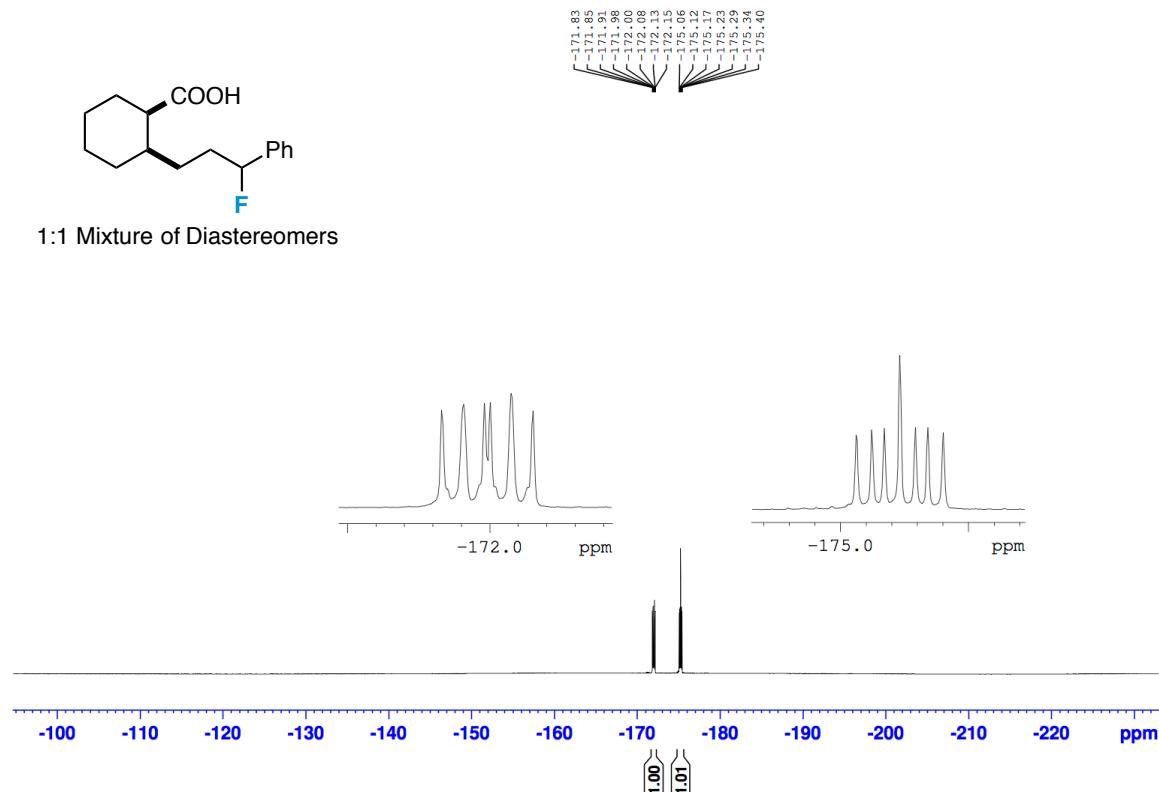


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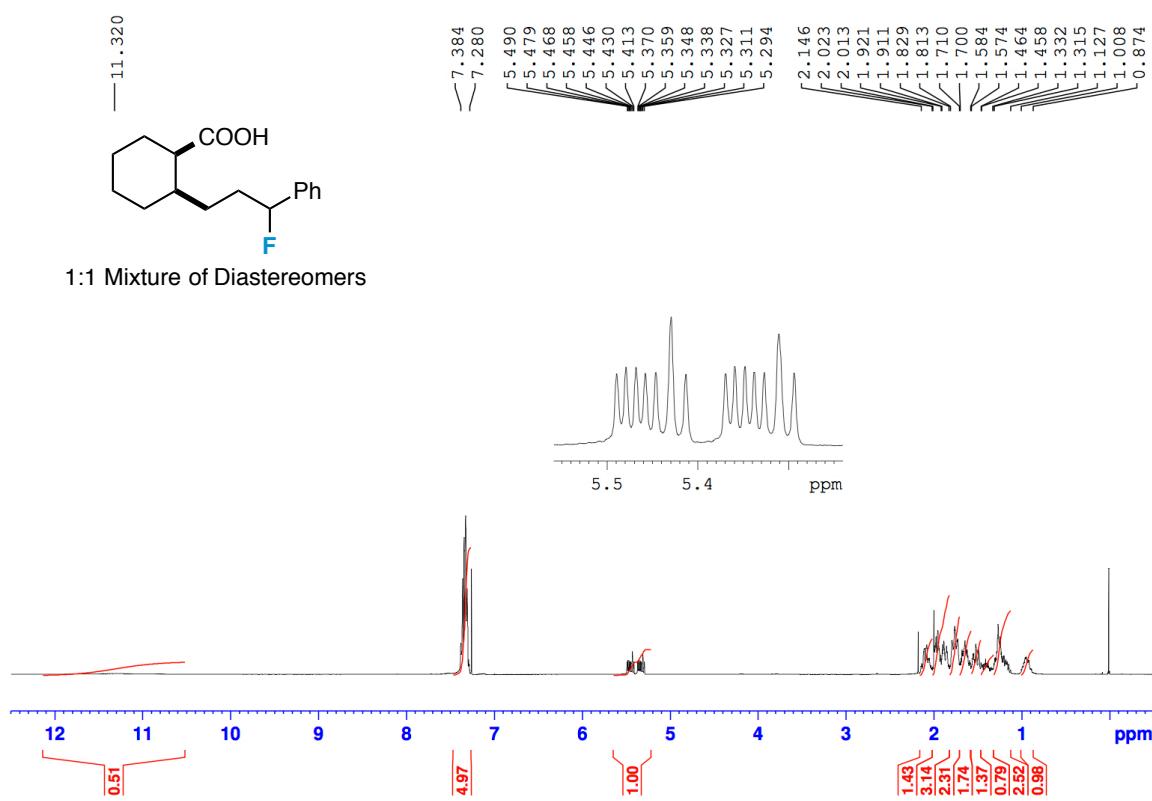


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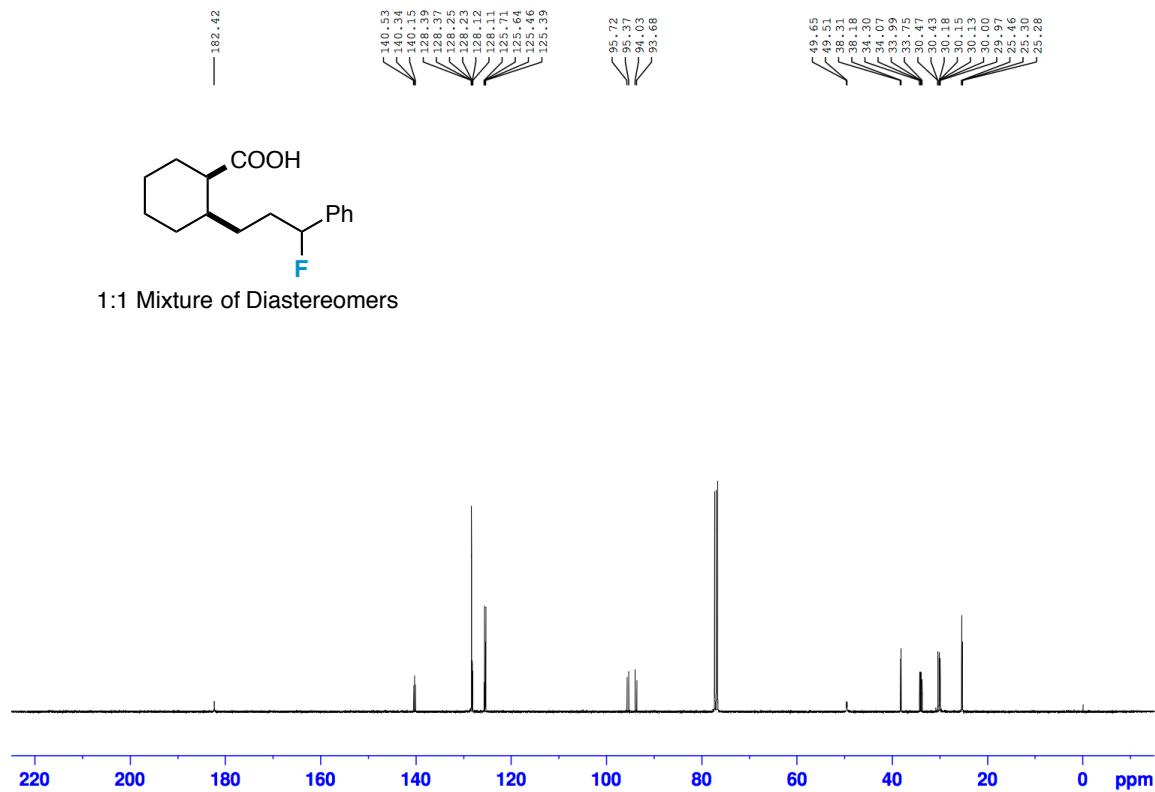
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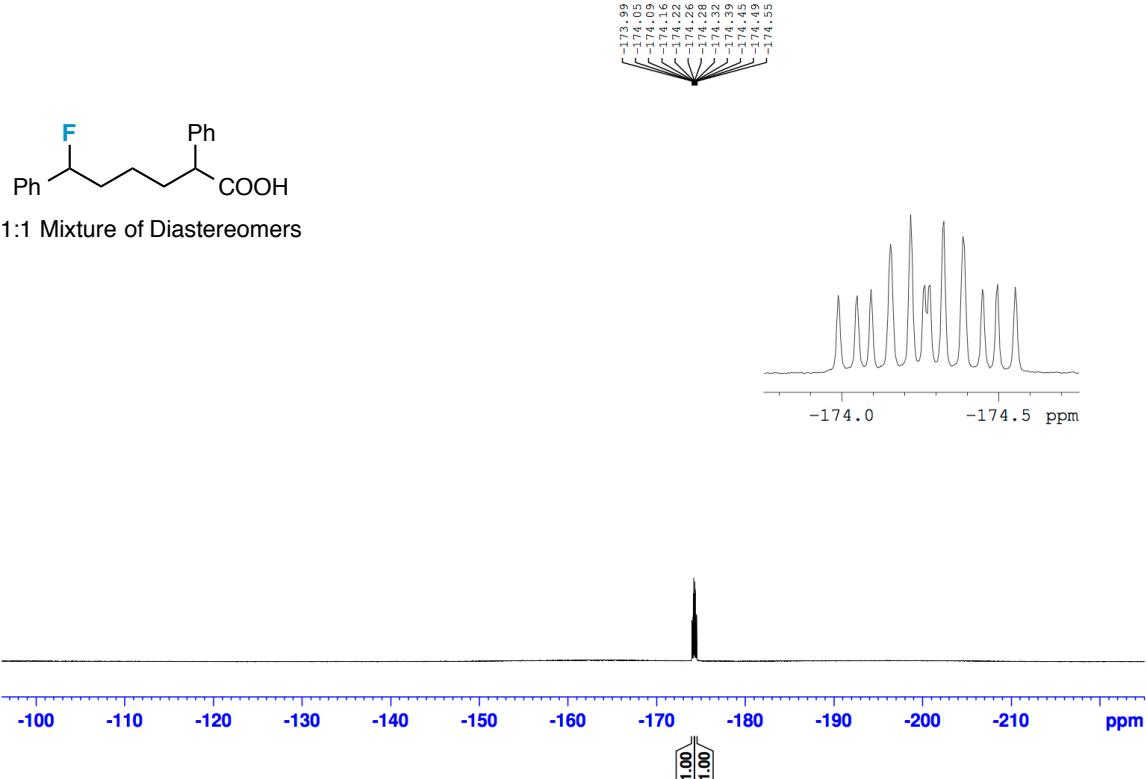
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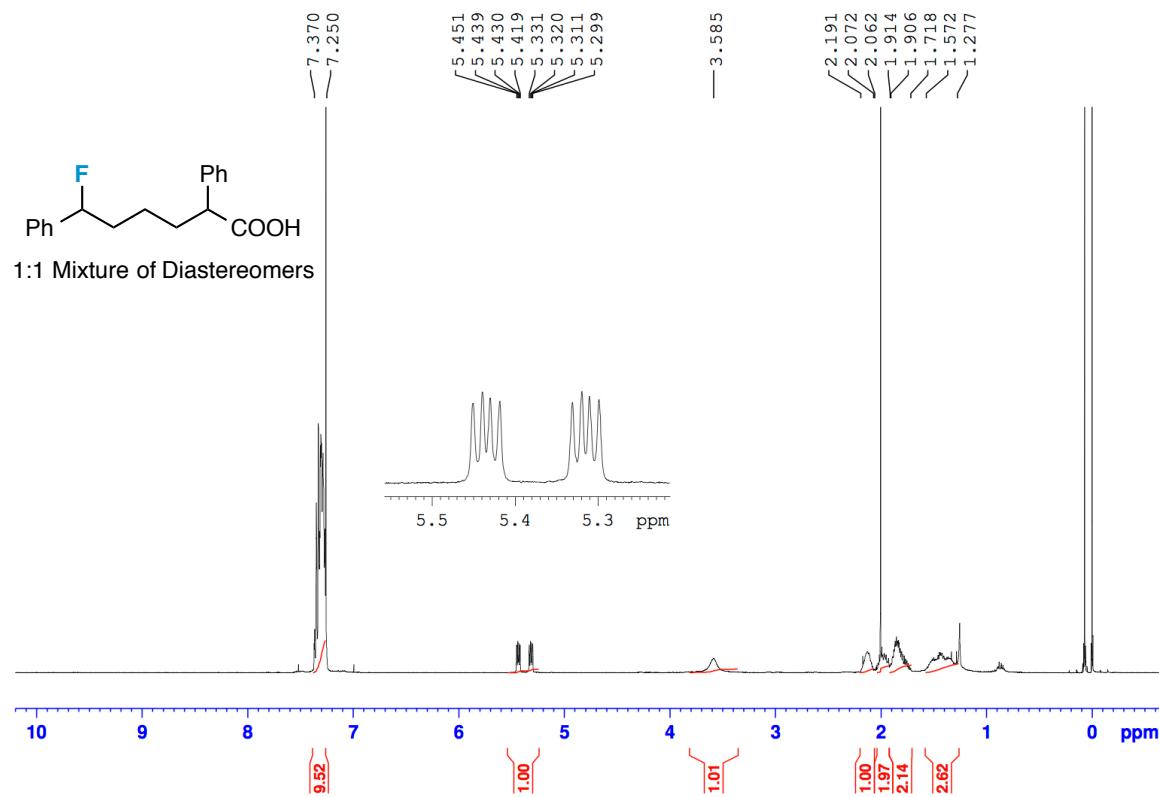
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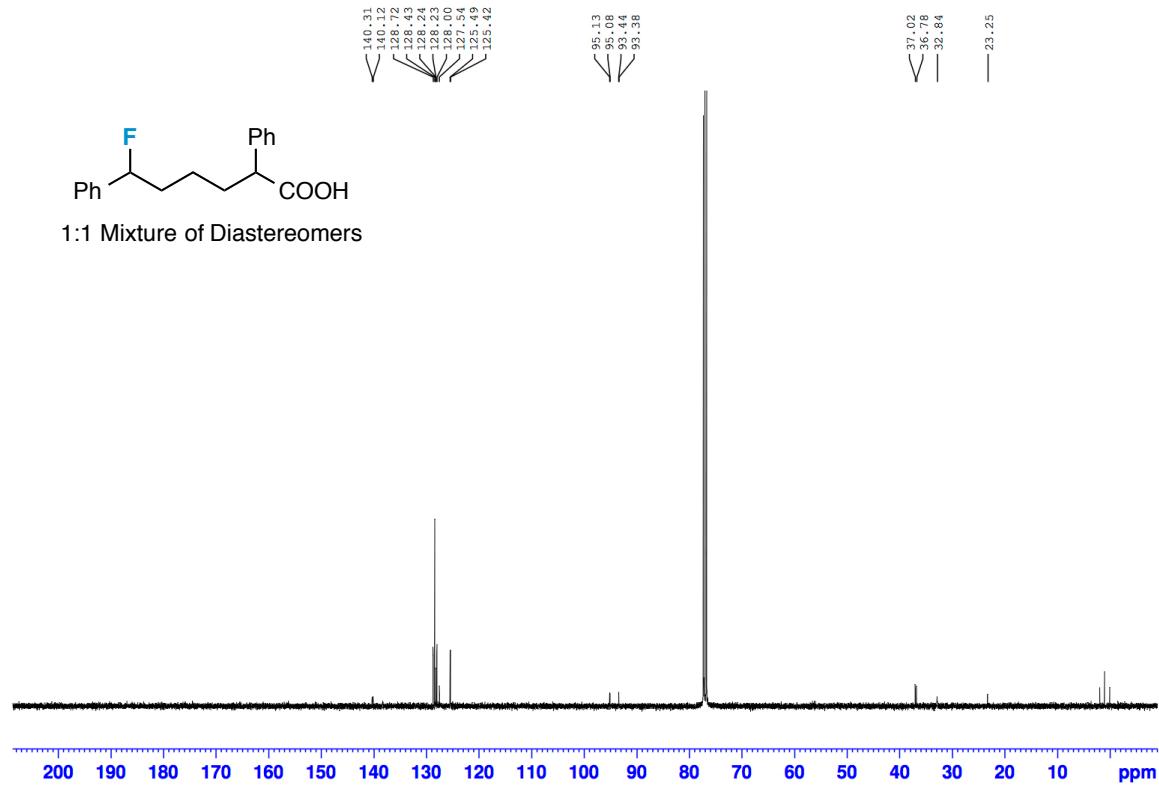
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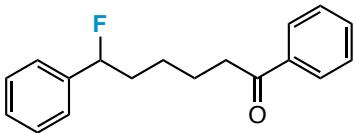
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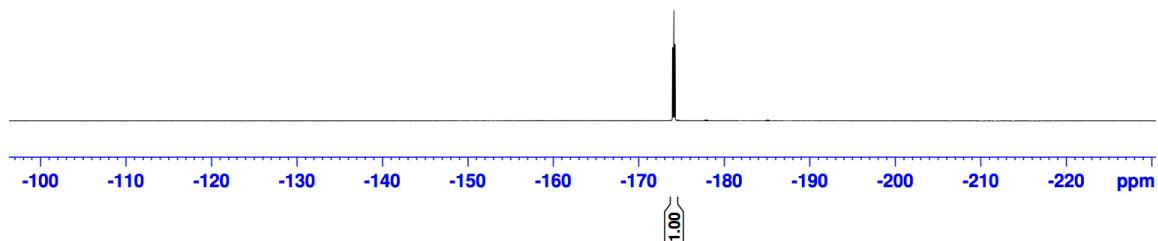
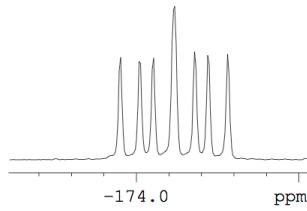
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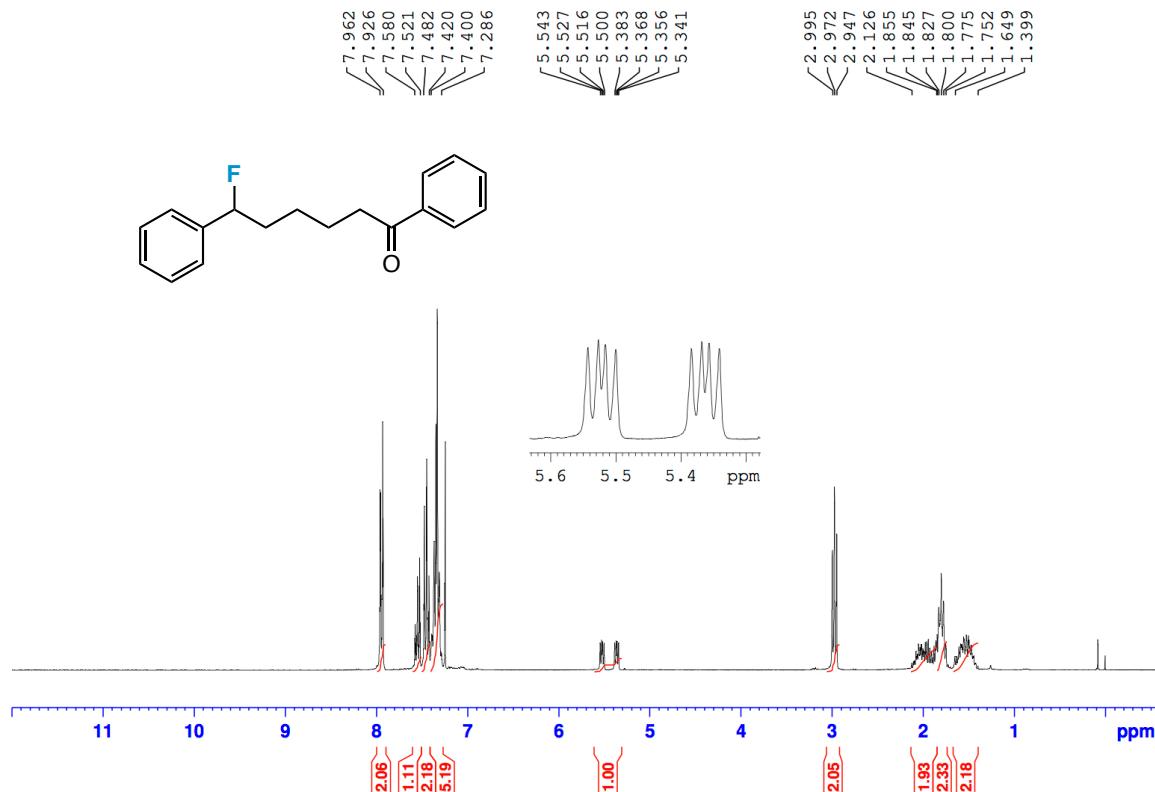
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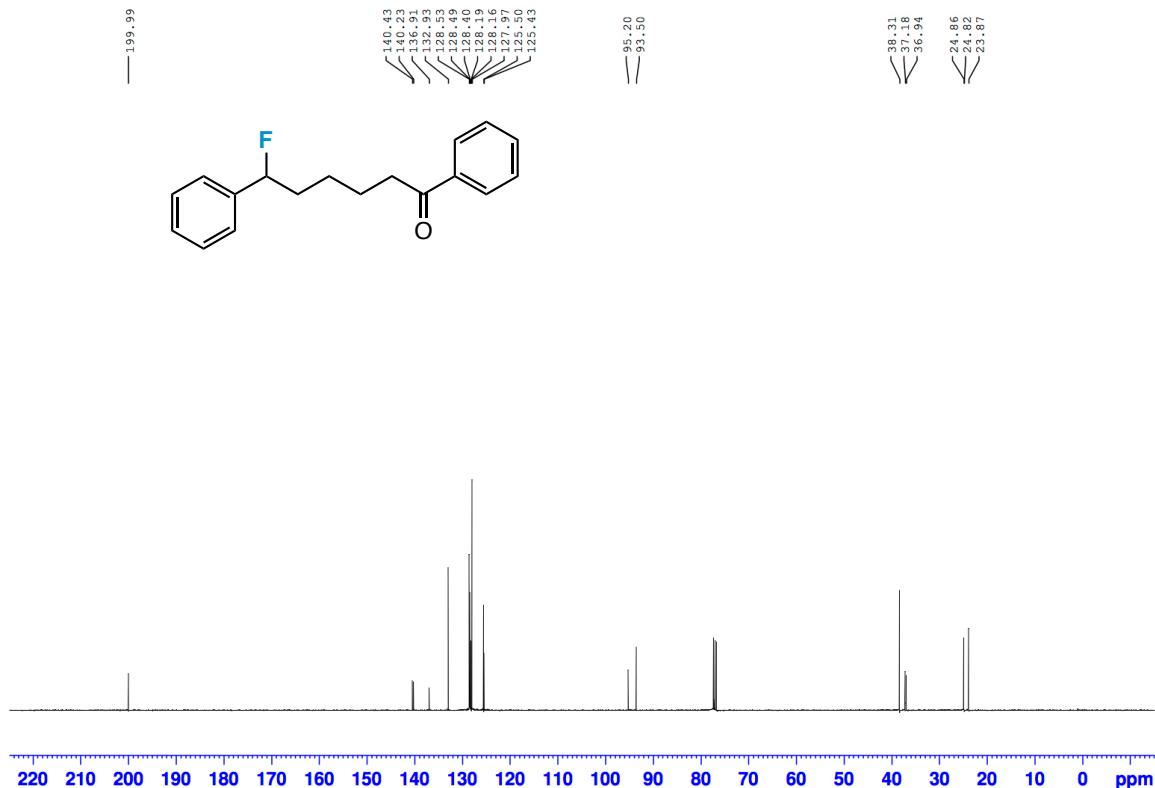
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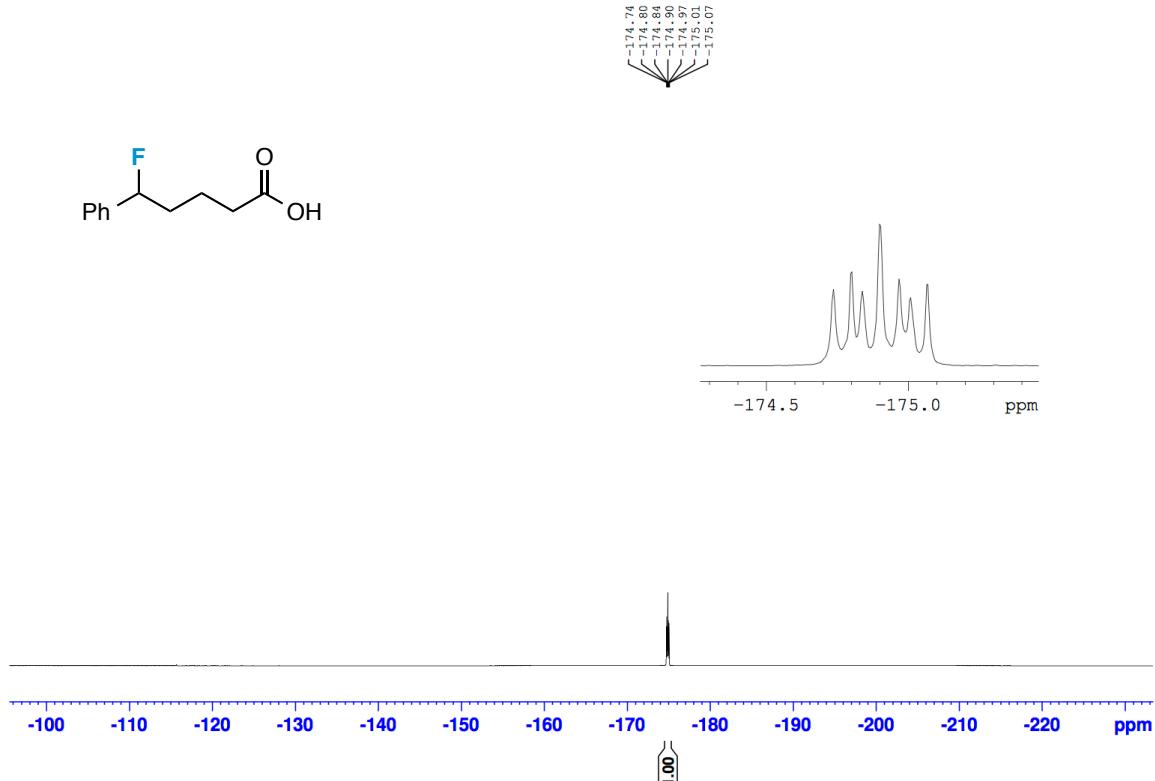
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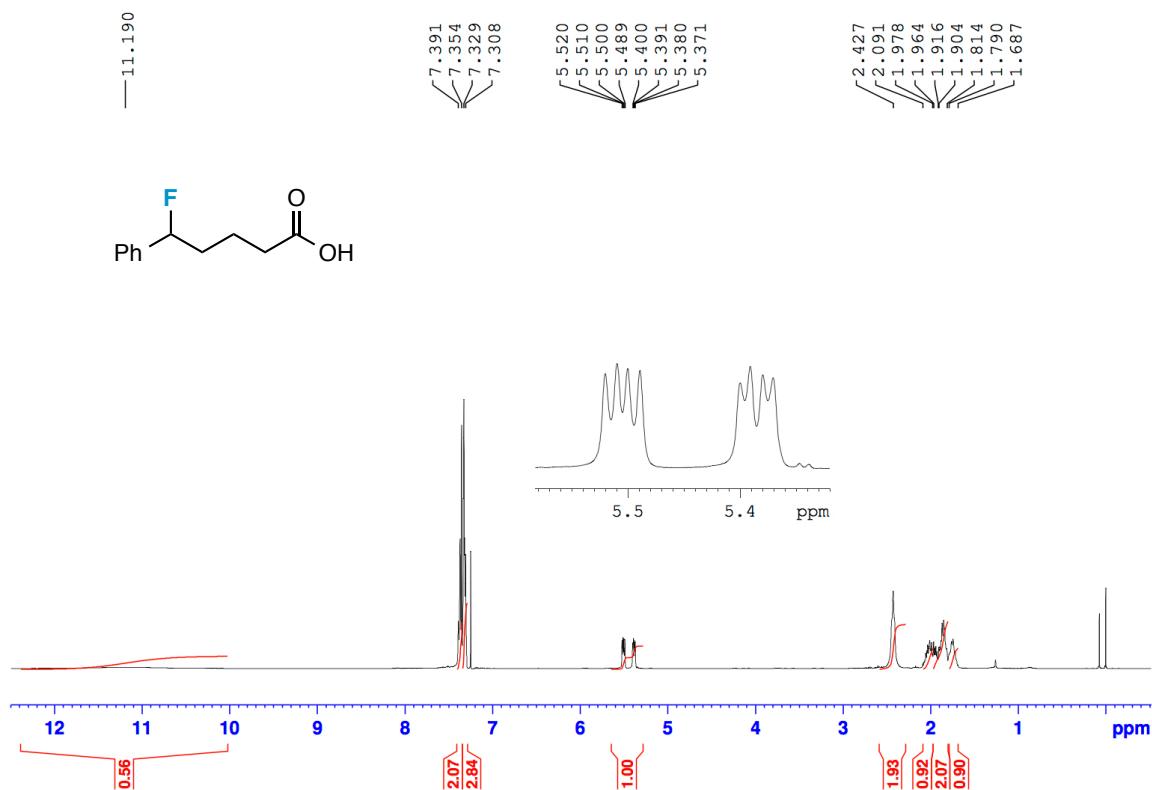
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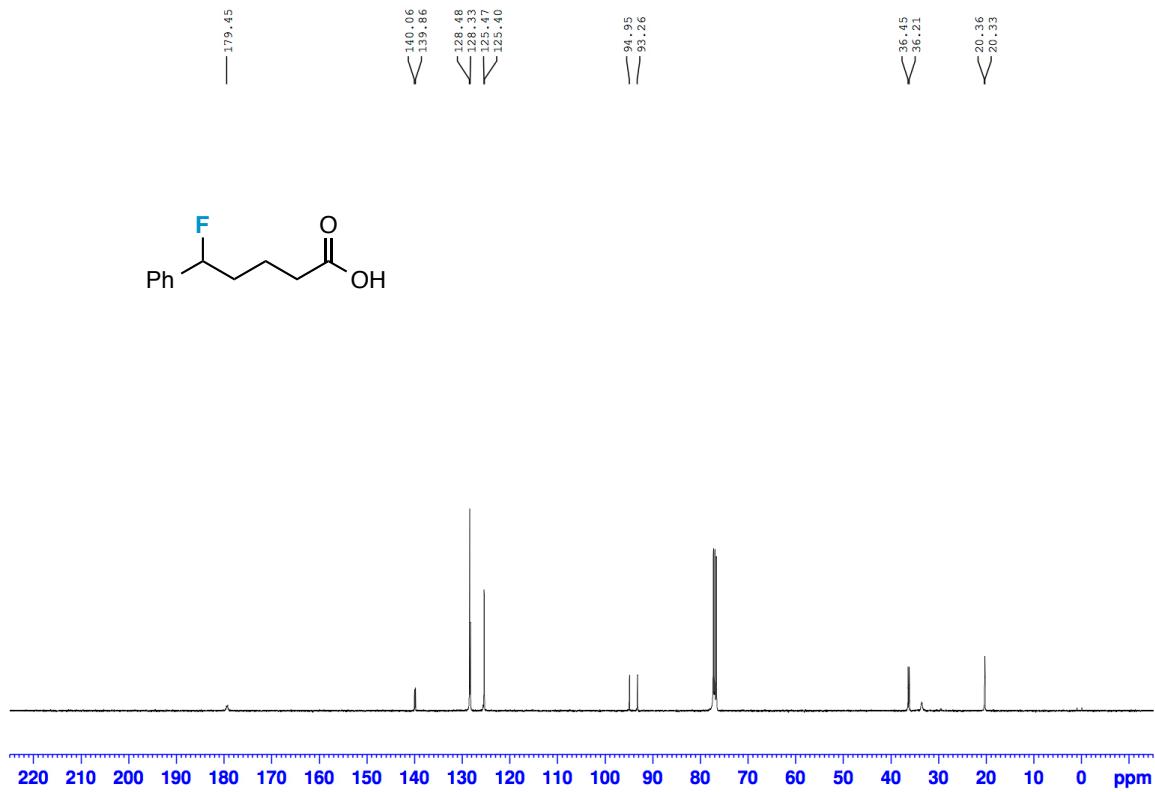
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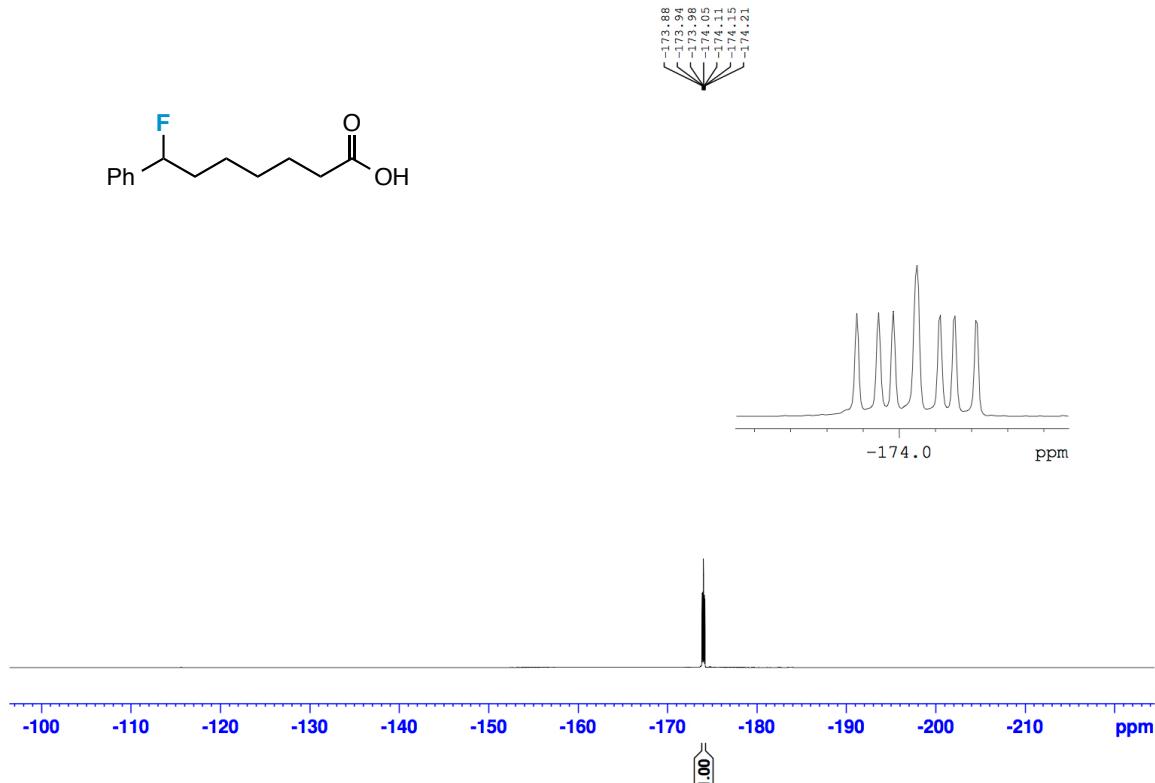
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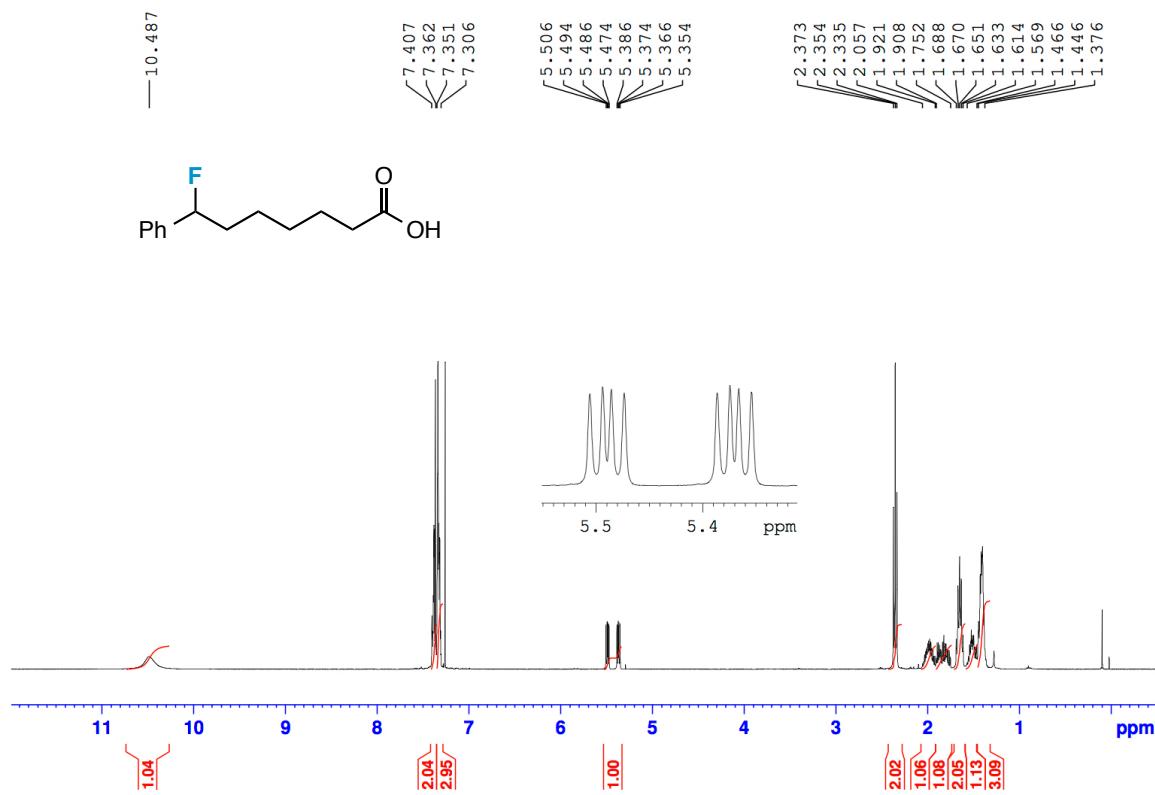
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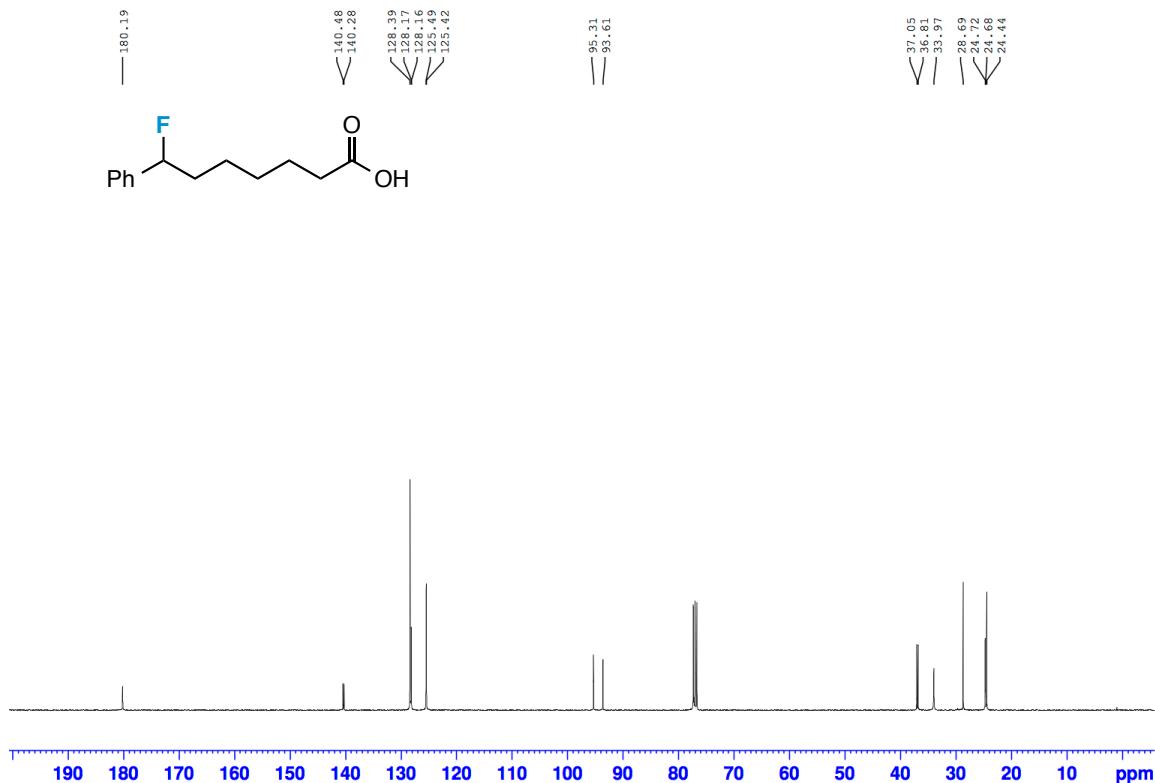
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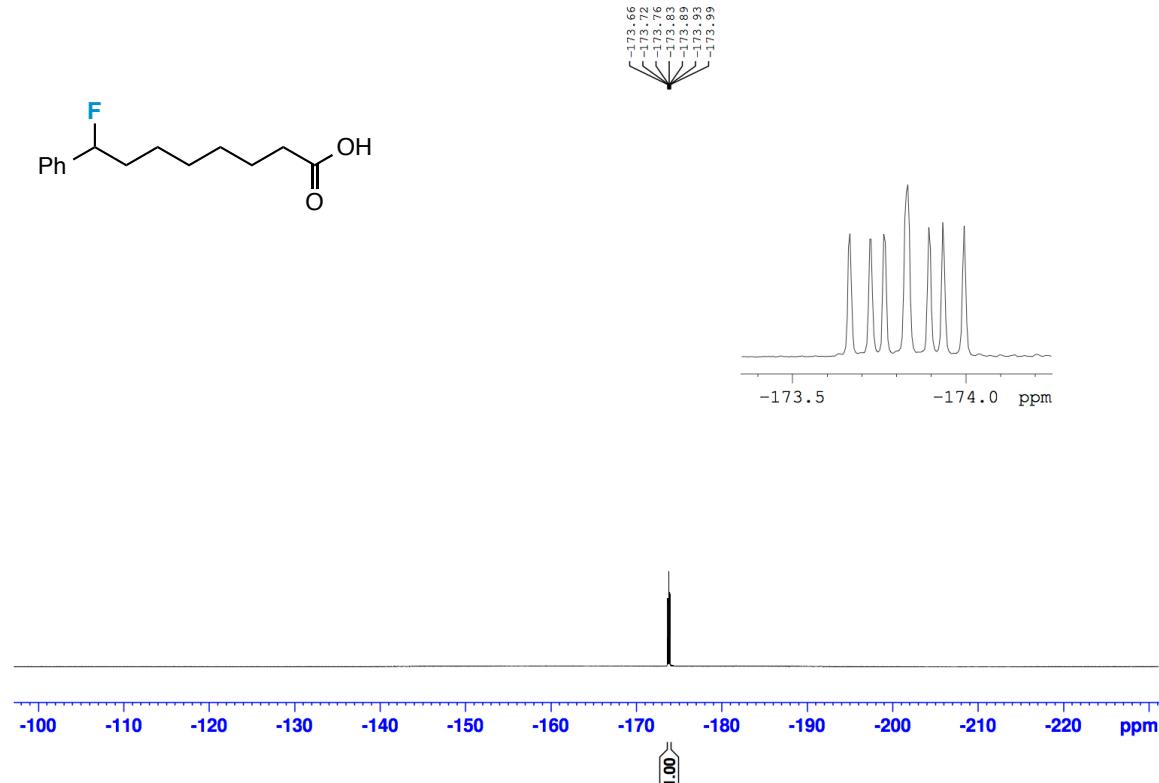
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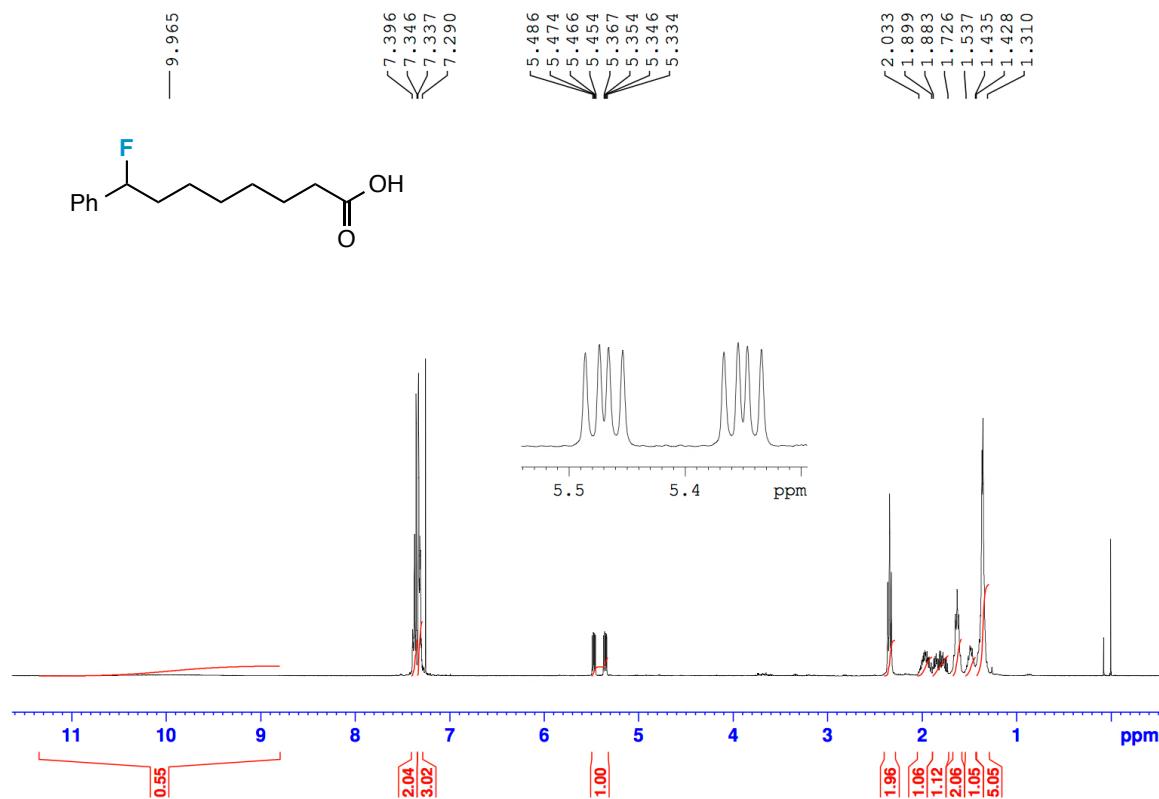
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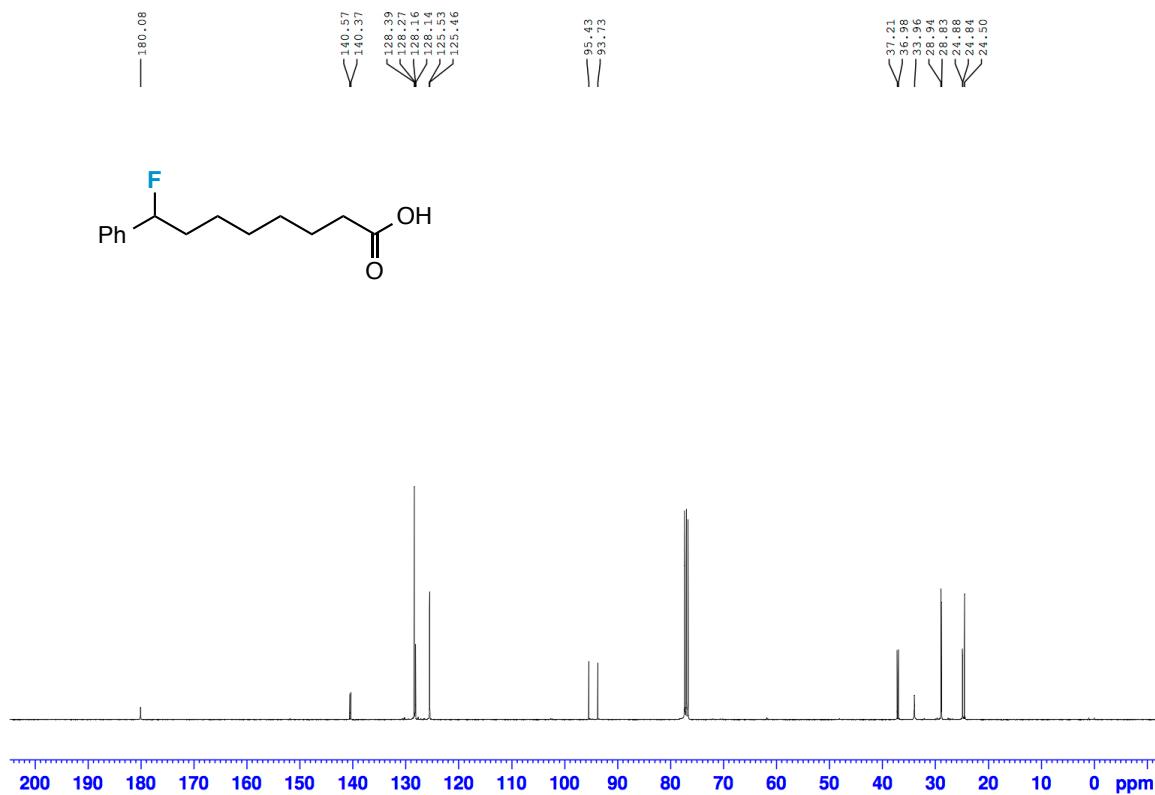
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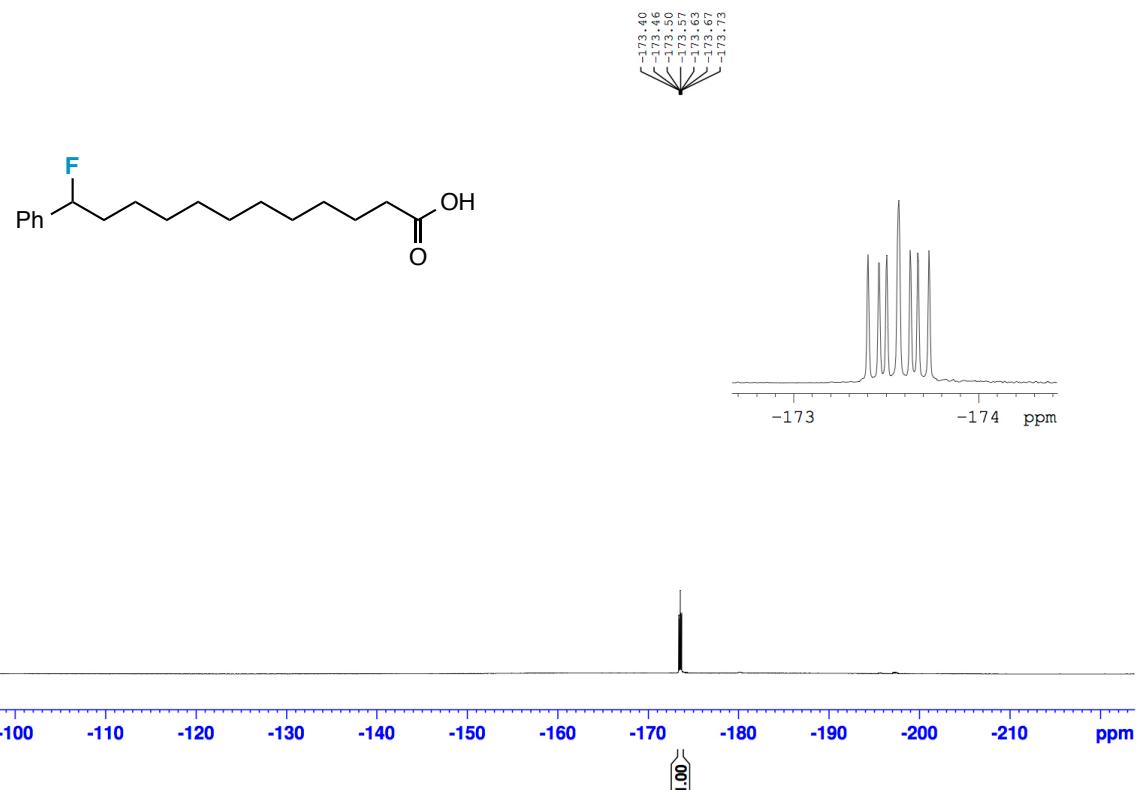
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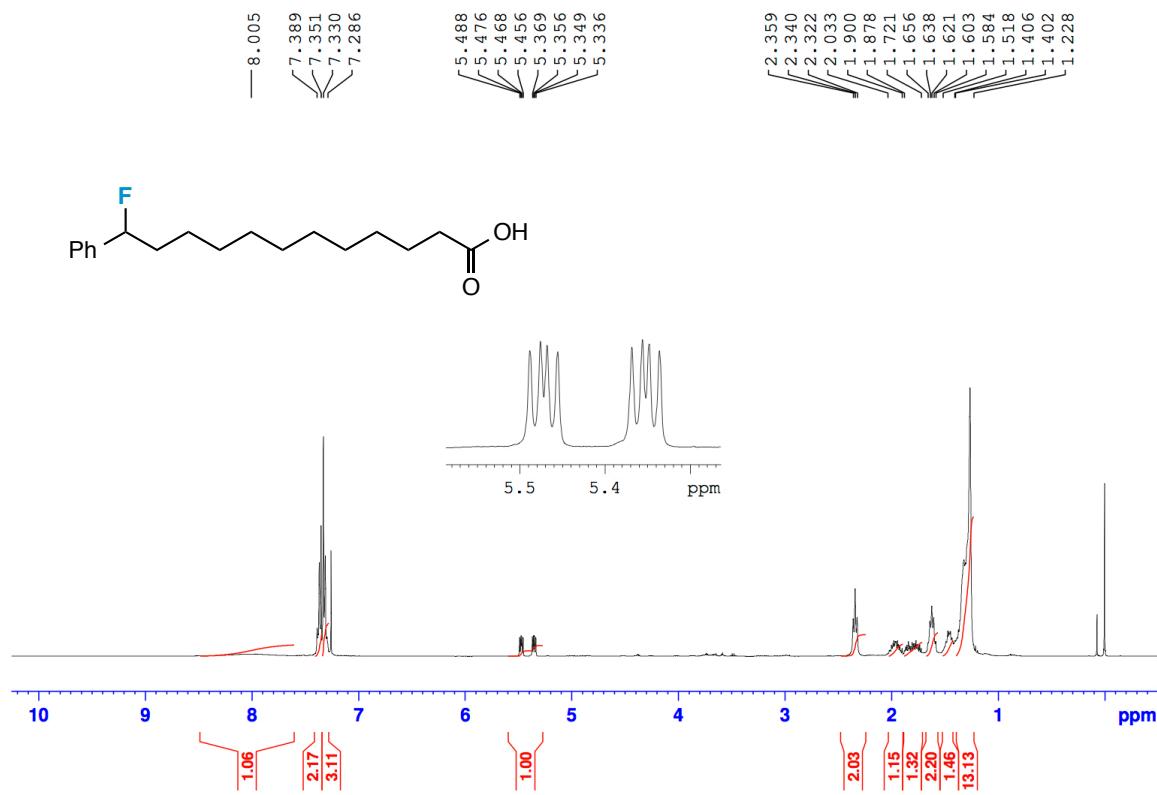
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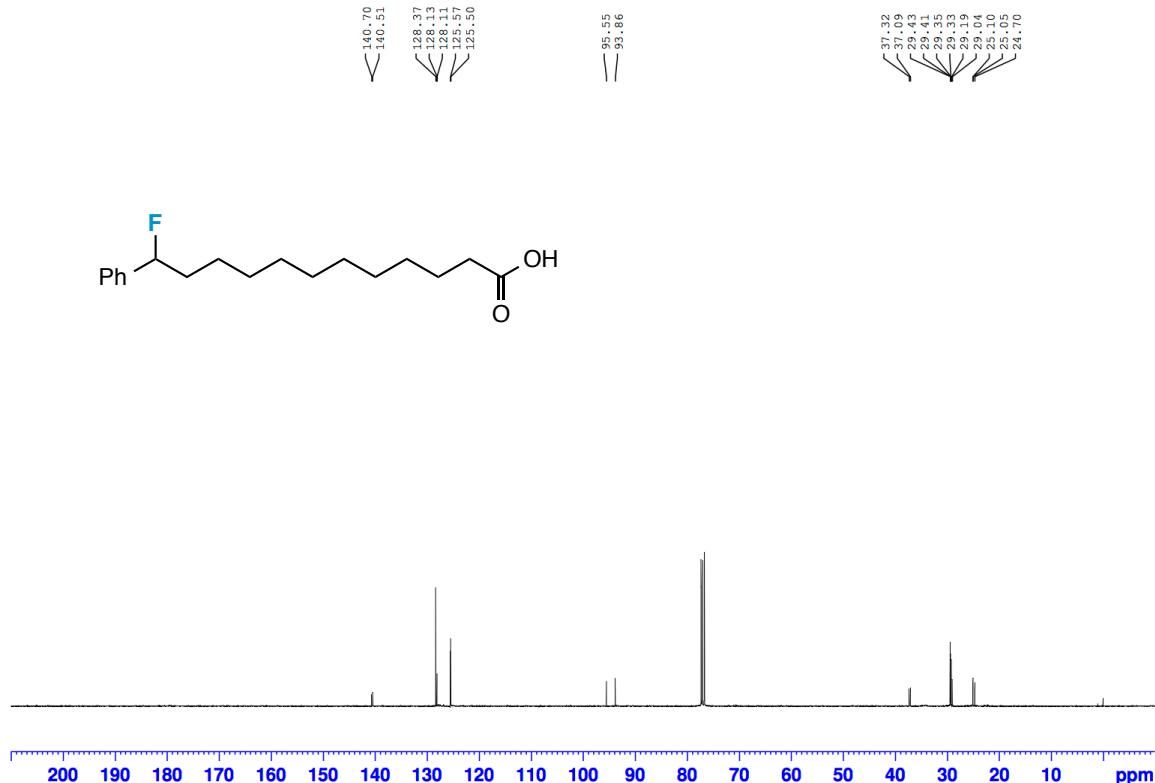
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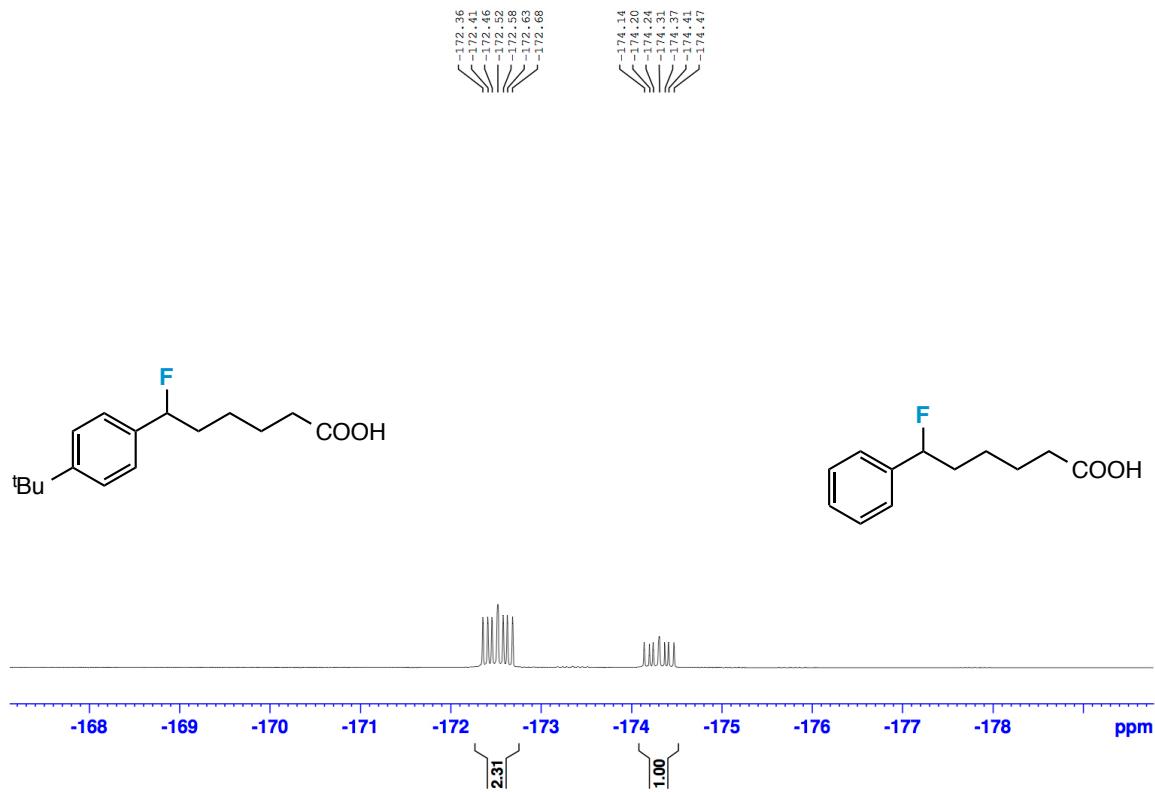
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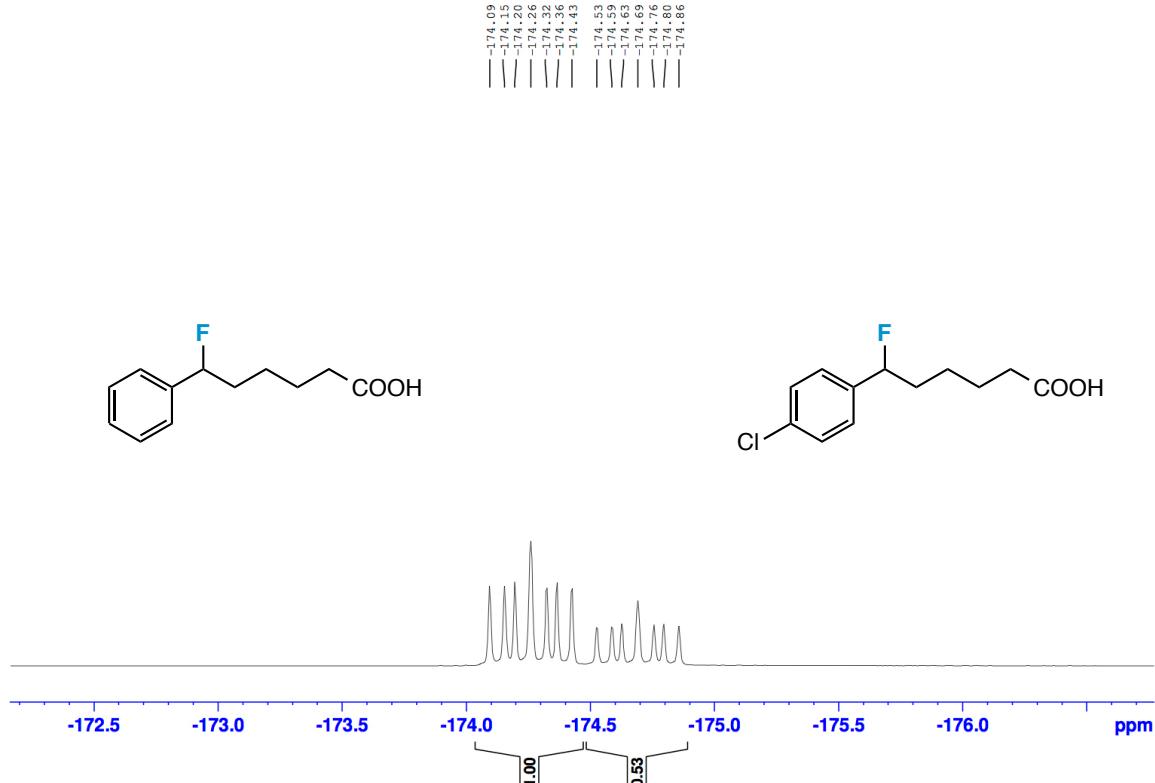


Intermolecular Competition (tBu vs. H)



¹⁹F NMR (CDCl_3): -172.52 (1F, ddd, $J = 47.0, 28.7, 16.1 \text{ Hz}$), -174.31 (1F, ddd, $J = 47.0, 28.7, 16.1 \text{ Hz}$).

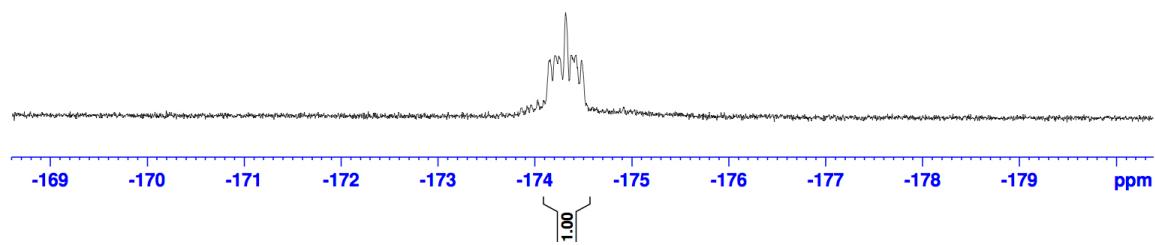
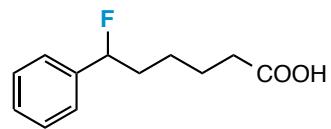
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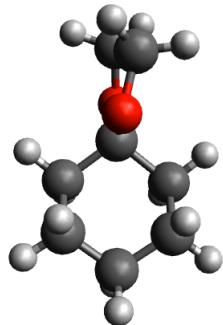
Intermolecular Competition (CF_3 vs. H) – Crude Spectrum

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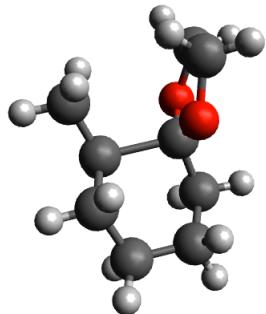
1,4-dioxaspiro[4.5]decane radical cation



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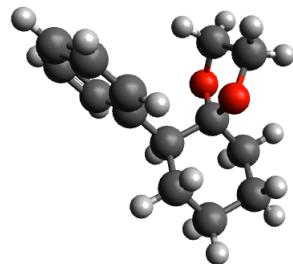
6-methyl-1,4-dioxaspiro[4.5]decane radical cation



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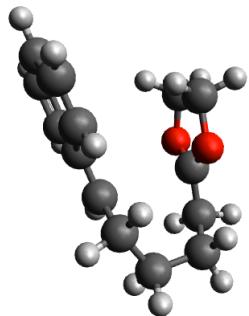
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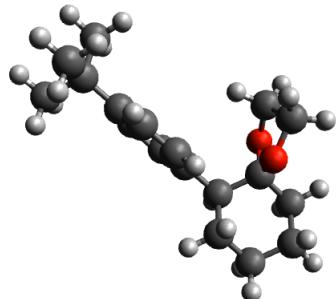
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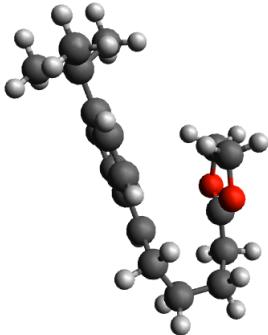
6-(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)-1,4-dioxaspiro[4.5]decane



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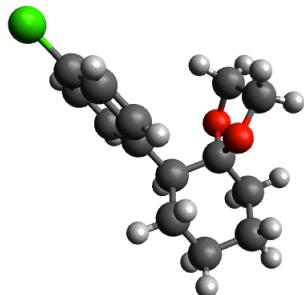
6-(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)-1,4-dioxaspiro[4.5]decane radical cation



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| 8 | 1 | 0 | 2.207087 | -1.757303 | 1.369728 |
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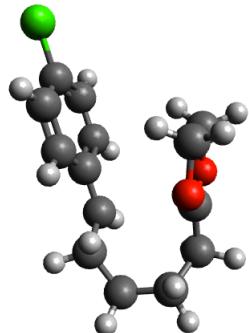
6-(4-chlorophenyl)-1,4-dioxaspiro[4.5]decane



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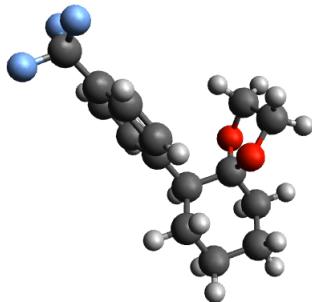
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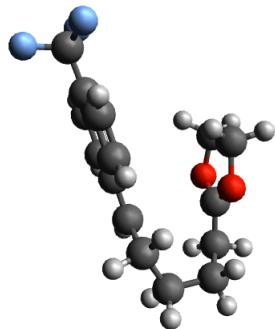
6-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-1,4-dioxaspiro[4.5]decane



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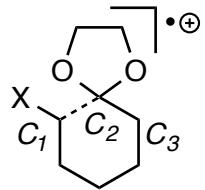
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Table of calculated C-C bond lengths in radical cation geometries.



| X | $d(C_1-C_2)$ | $d(C_2-C_3)$ |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
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| Me | 1.94 | 1.52 |
| Ph | 2.94 | 1.47 |
| <i>p</i> -tBuPh | 2.91 | 1.47 |
| <i>p</i> -ClPh | 2.98 | 1.47 |
| <i>p</i> -CF ₃ Ph | 3.06 | 1.47 |

Calculated at B3PW91/6-311++G** (MeCN). Distances reported in Angstroms.