

## Supplementary Data 1. PsychLight1 and psychLight2 protein sequences. Related to STAR Methods.

psychLight1.prot (695 aa)

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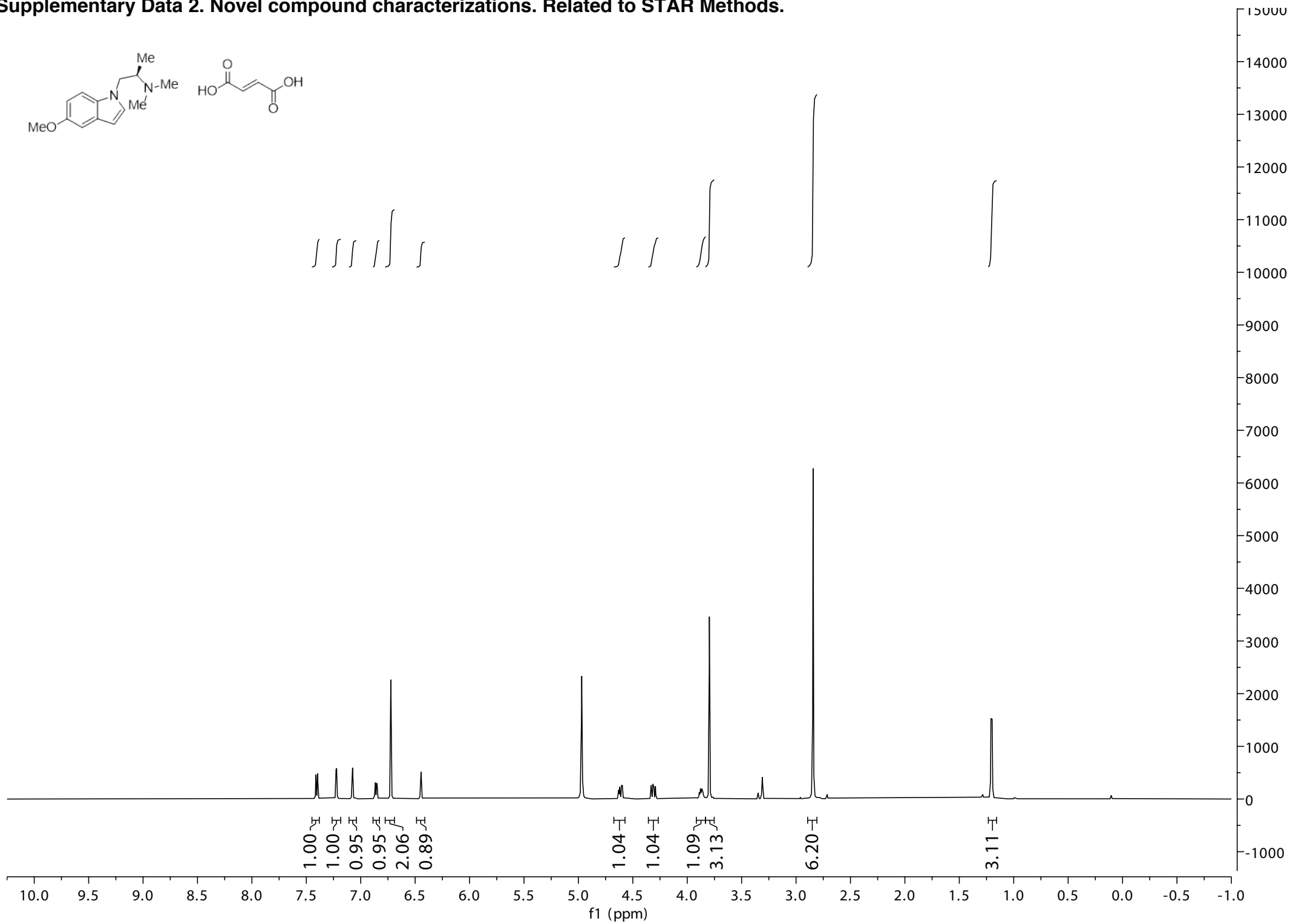
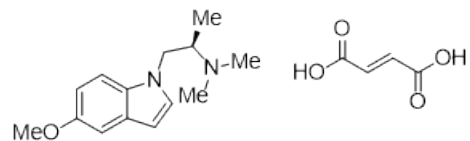
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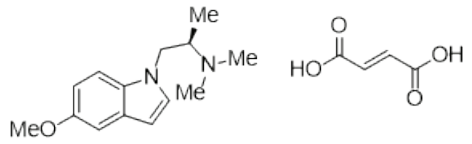
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Supplementary Data 2. Novel compound characterizations. Related to STAR Methods.





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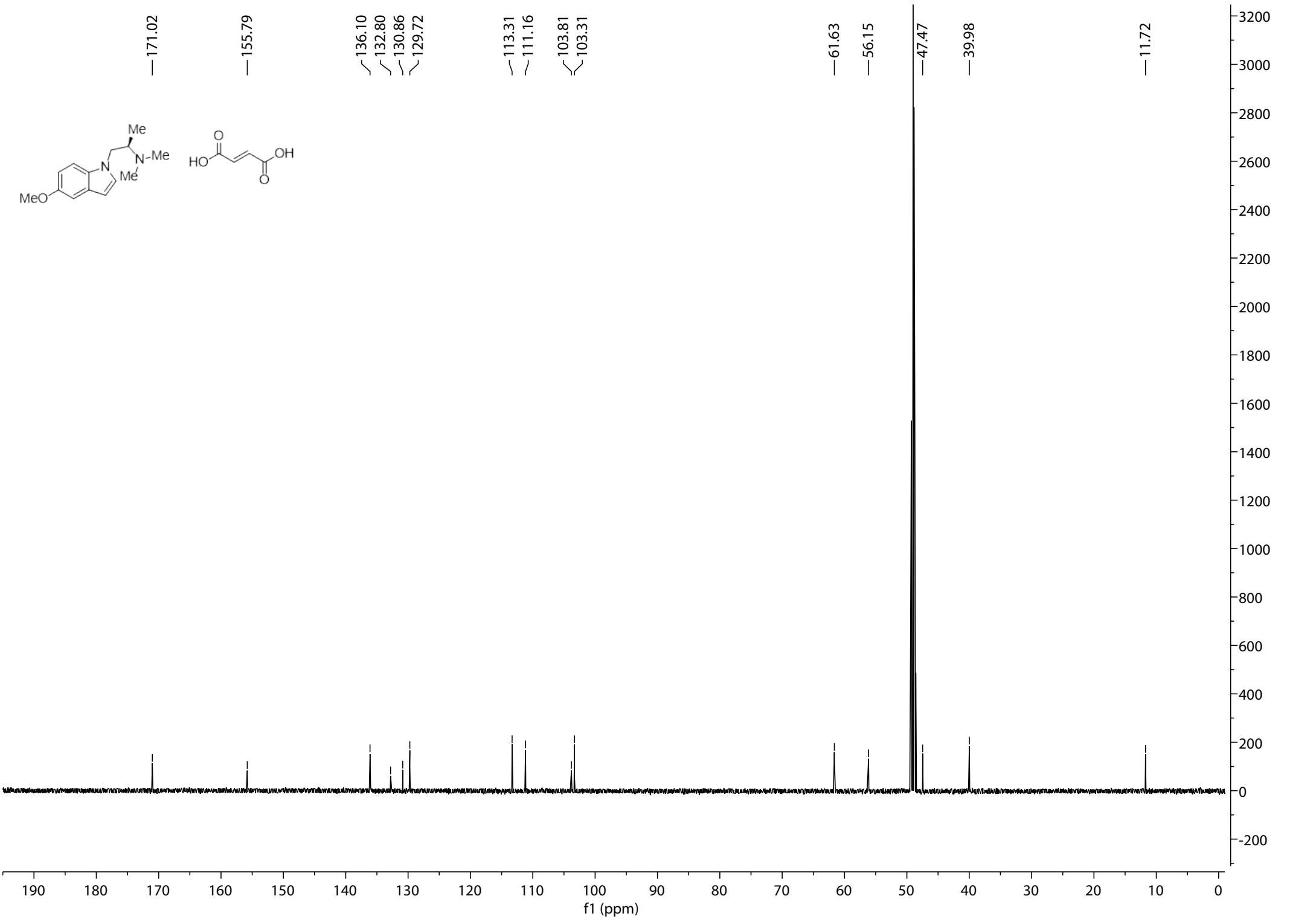
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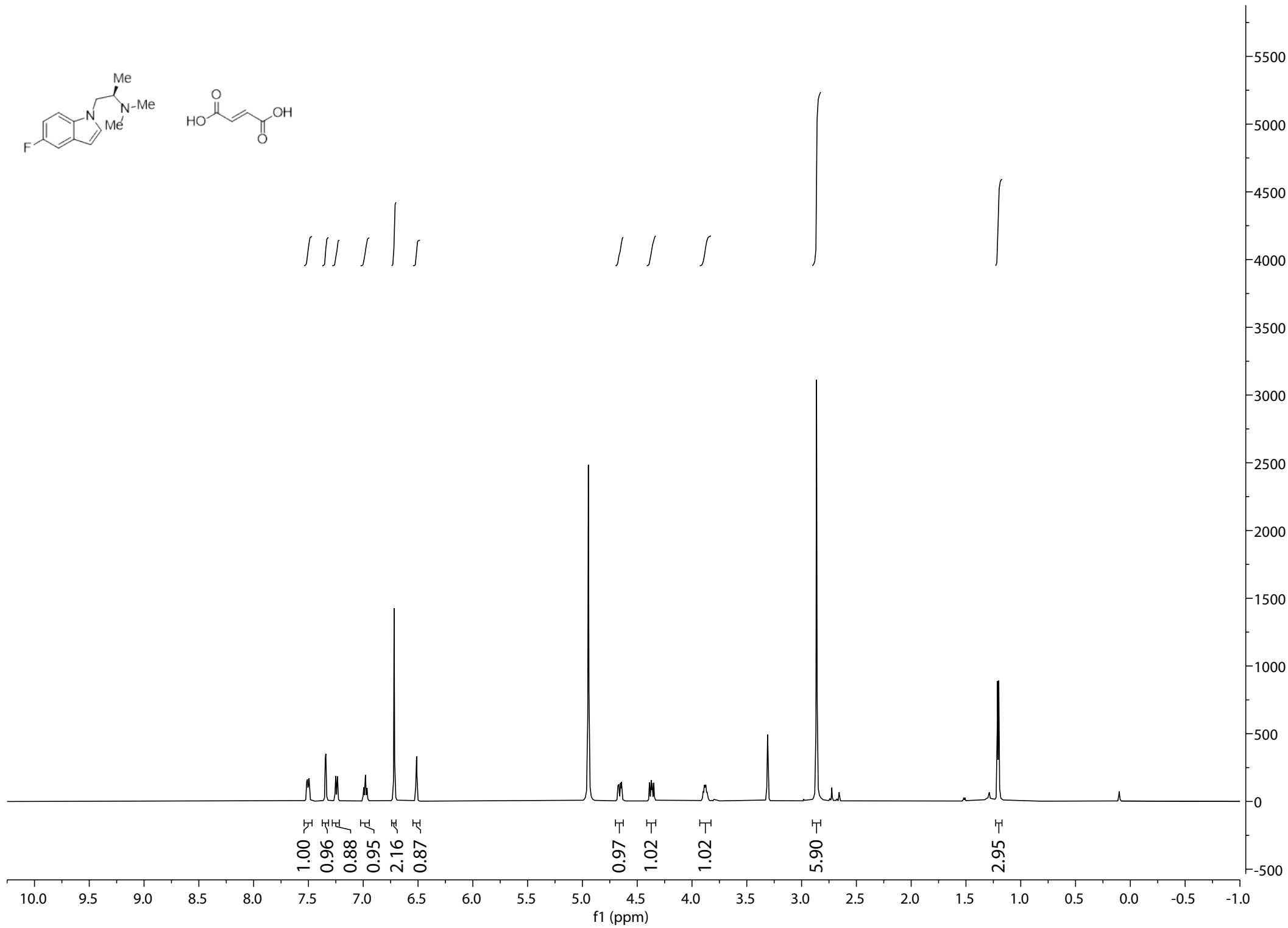
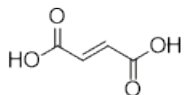
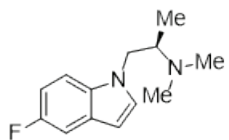
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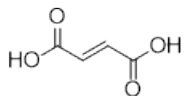
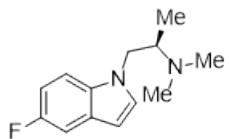
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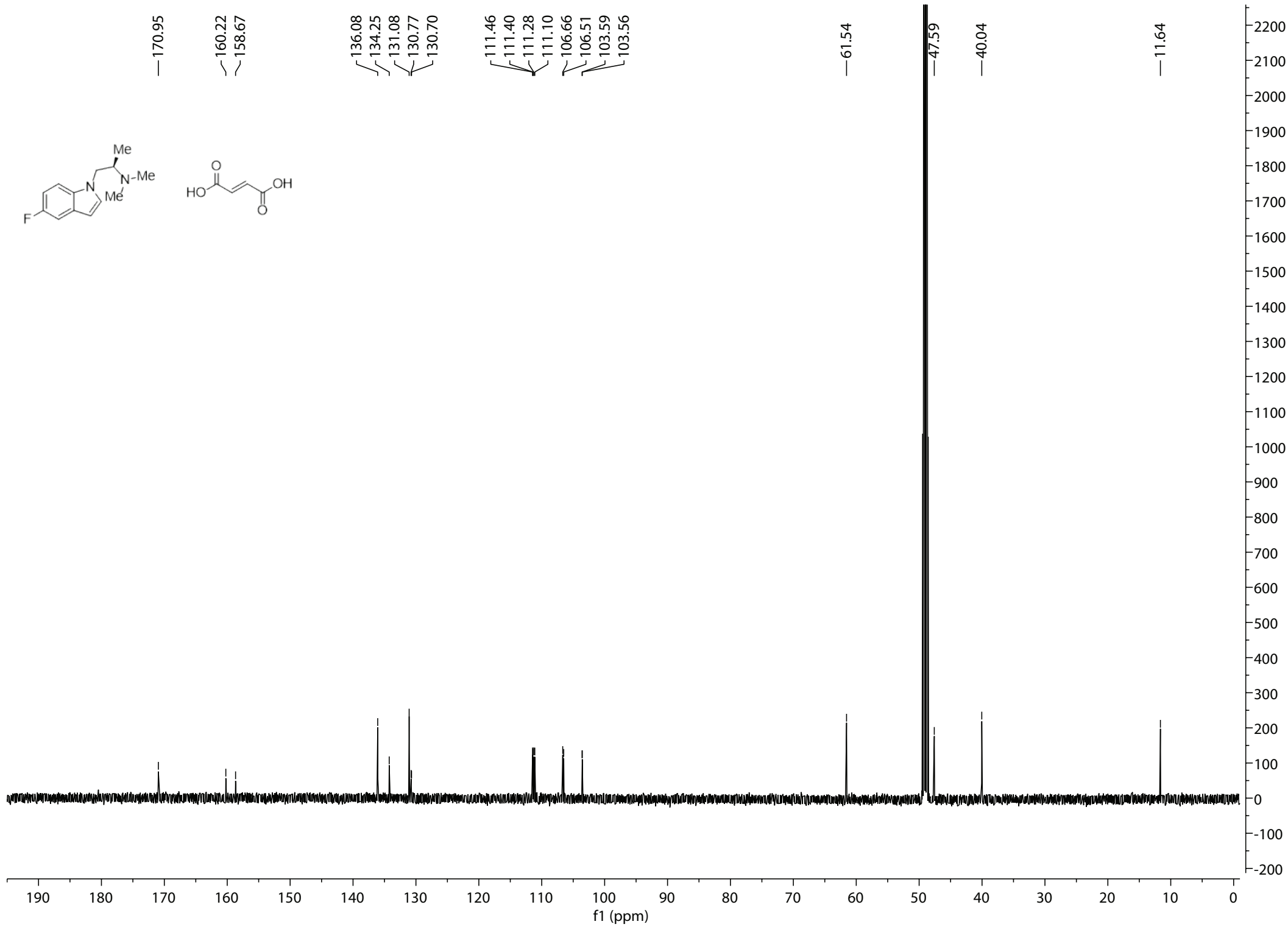
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**Supplementary Table 1. Overview of experimental design and results. Related to all Figures.**

Question	Approach	Results	Figures
<b>Development of psychLight for imaging serotonin and hallucinogens</b>			
Can we design a sensor to probe ligand-induced conformational changes of 5-HT2A receptor?	→ We replaced the third intracellular loop of the 5-HT2A receptor with cpGFP followed by linker screening and membrane localization optimization	→ psychLight responded to serotonin, but not to 5-HT2AR antagonists. Serotonin displayed an $EC_{50} = 26.3$ nM	→ Figure 1A–D
What is the sensitivity and kinetics of psychLight?	→ Two-photon uncaging and imaging of serotonin in cultured cortical slices	→ psychLight displayed fast off kinetics (5.4 ms) in response to single pulse uncaging (10ms)	→ Figure 1E–H
	→ Two-photon imaging of serotonin release triggered by electrical stimuli in acute slices	→ psychLight was able to detect electrically-evoked serotonin release in BNST acute slices. The fluorescence response can be modulated by a SSRI and abolished by a sodium channel blocker TTX and a serotonin receptor antagonist granisetron	→ Figure 1I–M
<b>In vivo imaging of serotonin release in multiple brain regions with fiber photometry</b>			
Can psychLight detect behaviorally relevant serotonin release?	→ We applied fiber photometry to study endogenous serotonin release in DRN, BNST, BLA, and OFC triggered by auditory fear conditioning	→ psychLight can faithfully detect the serotonin dynamics across the full-course of fear-learning in single trials ( $d > 12$ ).	→ Figure 2
<b>Imaging hallucinogenic conformations of 5-HT2AR</b>			
Can psychLight be used to detect activation of 5-HT2AR by hallucinogens in vivo?	→ In vivo fiber-photometry recording in mPFC	→ Fluorescence increased upon administration of 5-MeO-DMT and the onset of increase correlated with the head-twitch response	→ Figure 3A–C
How effectively do hallucinogenic compounds activate psychLight?	→ Concentration-response curve in 293T cells	→ Determined $EC_{50}$ values for a panel of hallucinogens	→ Figure 3D–G
		→ PsychLight $EC_{50}$ values correlate with human hallucinogenic potency	→ Figure 3H
		→ PsychLight response is not equivalent to other measures of 5-HT2AR activation	→ Figure 3I
<b>Medium-throughput pharmacological assay based on psychLight</b>			
Can we use psychLight to establish a cell-based assay for determining hallucinogenic potentials of library compounds?	→ Engineered HEK293T cell line stably expressing psychLight2	→ Z-score of the assay is 0.6	→ Figure S3D
		→ The assay is sensitive to compounds with similar molecular structures	→ Figure 4B–C
		→ Defined a ligand score to predict the pharmacological features of compounds: Ligand score >0: 5-HT2AR-activating hallucinogens Ligand score <0: non-hallucinogenic 5-HT2AR ligands Ligand score ~0: not 5HT2AR ligands	→ Figure 4D–E
		→ Schild regression analysis defined non-hallucinogenic ligands as competitive antagonists	→ Figure 5D Figure S6
<b>Identification of new hallucinogenic and non-hallucinogenic compounds</b>			
Will predicted hallucinogens produce hallucinogenic behaviors?	→ Performed a three-point dose-response study of 5-halo-DMT family measuring head-twitch response and locomotion	→ 5-F-DMT and 5-CI-DMT produce robust HTR as predicted by psychLight 5-Br-DMT did not produce a HTR as predicted by psychLight	→ Figure 5A–C
What are the pharmacological features and behavioral effects of predicted non-hallucinogens, such as AAZ-A-154 ?	→ Performed Schild regression analysis → Performed a three-point dose-response study measuring head-twitch response and locomotion	→ AAZ-A-154 is a competitive 5-HT2AR ligand that did not produce a HTR as predicted by psychLight	→ Figure 5D–F
<b>Characterizing antidepressant-like effects of a novel non-hallucinogenic compound</b>			
Can AAZ-A-154 promote dendritic growth in cultured neurons? If yes, is the effect 5-HT2R dependent?	→ Performed Sholl analysis in cultured cortical neurons treated with AAZ-A-154 or vehicle in the presence and absence of 5HT2R antagonist ketanserin.	→ AAZ-A-154 promoted dendritic growth. This effect can be blocked by ketanserin, implicating 5-HT2Rs in the mechanism of action	→ Figure 6A–C
Does AAZ-A-154 have antidepressant potential? If yes, is the effect comparable to Ketamine?	→ Performed forced swim test	→ AAZ-A-154 produces both rapid (30 min) and long-lasting (1 week) antidepressant-like effects after a single administration comparable to ketamine	→ Figure 6D
	→ Measured anhedonia in a genetic animal model relevant to depression	→ VMAT2-HET mutants exhibited a sucrose preference that was indistinguishable from WT controls after a single-administration and the effect was long-lasting (12-days)	→ Figure 6E