

Supplemental Material for

**An Improved Method for the Synthesis of Phenylacetic Acid Derivatives via
Carbonylation**

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I. Analytical Data of Compounds

2-Chlorophenylacetic acid (**2b**): a white solid; mp 91-95 °C (lit.¹ 91-93 °C), IR (KBr) 735, 768, 931, 1059, 1201, 1245, 1301, 1348, 1406, 1480, 1713, 2920 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; DMSO-d₆) δ: 12.50 (s, 1H), 7.51 - 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.40 - 7.25 (m, 3H), 3.71 (s, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; DMSO-d₆) δ: 171.98, 134.18, 133.81, 132.65, 129.45, 129.20, 127.57, 39.15 ppm.

3-Chlorophenylacetic acid (**3b**): a white solid; mp 76-78 °C (lit.² 76 °C), IR (KBr) 690, 726, 791, 891, 1080, 1250, 1411, 1480, 1705, 3054 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; DMSO-d₆) δ: 12.46 (s, 1H), 7.39 - 7.19 (m, 4H), 3.62 (s, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; DMSO-d₆) δ: 172.73, 137.96, 133.17, 130.47, 129.83, 128.72, 127.03, 40.8 ppm.

4-Chlorophenylacetic acid (**4b**): a white solid; mp 101-103 °C (lit.³ 104-106 °C), IR (KBr) 733, 806, 856, 926, 1020, 1090, 1170, 1200, 1260, 1300, 1340, 1410, 1490, 1700, 2970 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; DMSO-d₆) δ: 12.40 (s, 1H), 7.41 - 7.33 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.33 - 7.24 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 3.59 (s, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; DMSO-d₆) δ: 172.88, 134.55, 131.80, 131.75, 128.59, 39.96 ppm.

2,6-Dichlorophenylacetic acid (**5b**): a white solid; mp 159-162 °C (lit.⁴ 154-156 °C), IR (KBr) 671, 764, 787, 937, 1090, 1170, 1240, 1330, 1430, 1560, 1590, 1720, 2640, 2940 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; DMSO-d₆) δ: 12.74 (s, 1H), 7.49 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (t, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; DMSO-d₆) δ: 170.71, 135.73, 132.07, 130.03, 128.65, 37.00 ppm.

3,5-Dichlorophenylacetic acid (**6b**): a white solid; mp 110-113 °C (lit.⁵ 112-115 °C), IR (KBr) 733, 802, 852, 933, 1170, 1250, 1330, 1420, 1570, 1590, 1710, 2920 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; DMSO-d₆) δ: 12.60 - 12.55 (m, 1H), 7.49 (t, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 2H), 3.66 (s, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; DMSO-d₆) δ: 172.31, 139.70, 134.06, 128.97, 126.72, 39.82 ppm.

2-Methylphenylacetic acid (**7b**): a white solid; mp 88-90 °C (lit.⁶ 86-89 °C), IR (KBr) 674, 718, 741, 910, 1211, 1236, 1283, 1331, 1412, 1455, 1493, 1693, 3020 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; DMSO-d₆) δ: 12.31 (s, 1H), 7.15 (m, 4H), 3.57 (s, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; DMSO-d₆) δ: 173.00, 137.08, 134.27, 130.32, 127.31, 126.23, 39.20, 19.56 ppm.

3-Methylphenylacetic acid (**8b**): a white crystal; mp 63-65 °C (lit.⁷ 62 °C), IR (KBr) 704, 753, 914, 1095, 1202, 1405, 1701, 3015 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; DMSO-d₆) δ: 12.29 (s, 1H), 7.19 (m, 4H), 3.35 (s, 2H), 2.47 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; DMSO-d₆) δ: 173.19, 137.74, 135.33, 130.43, 128.61, 127.67, 126.87, 41.12, 21.41 ppm.

4-Methylphenylacetic acid (9b**):** a white crystal; mp 92-94 °C (lit.⁷ 92 °C), IR (KBr) 679, 714, 768, 806, 922, 1040, 1114, 1170, 1208, 1250, 1340, 1420, 1517, 1690, 3030 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 7.13 (m, 4H), 3.49 (s, 2H), 2.27 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 173.36, 135.97, 132.57, 129.66, 129.23, 40.93, 21.12 ppm.

2,4-Dimethylphenylacetic acid (10b**):** a white powder; mp 102-103 °C (lit.⁸ 100-101 °C), IR (KBr) 798, 841, 891, 1180, 1220, 1380, 1500, 1660, 1690, 3120 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 12.24 (s, 1H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.01-6.89 (m, 2H), 3.35 (s, 2H), 2.21 (s, 6H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 173.15, 136.80, 136.22, 131.22, 131.02, 130.61, 126.75, 38.81, 21.04, 19.51 ppm.

3,5-Dimethylphenylacetic acid (11b**):** a white solid; mp 98-100 °C (lit.⁹ 96-98 °C), IR (KBr) 687, 779, 845, 926, 1040, 1150, 1270, 1300, 1410, 1600, 1710, 2910 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 12.24 (s, 1H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 6.85 (s, 2H), 3.46 (s, 2H), 2.24 (s, 6H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 173.22, 137.61, 135.19, 128.44, 127.53, 41.10, 21.31 ppm.

2-Fluorophenylacetic acid (12b**):** a white solid; mp 62-65 °C (lit.¹⁰ 59-60 °C), IR (KBr) 671, 744, 779, 879, 930, 1030, 1100, 1230, 1290, 1340, 1430, 1450, 1500, 1590, 1700, 3050 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 12.47 (s, 1H), 7.38 - 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.16 (m, 2H), 3.74 (s, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 172.19, 162.36 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 244 Hz), 159.94, 132.52 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 4.61 Hz), 129.46 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 8.1 Hz), 124.70 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 3.8 Hz), 122.71 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 16 Hz), 115.56 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 22 Hz), 34.68 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 2.7 Hz) ppm.

3-Fluorophenylacetic acid (13b**):** a white solid; mp 43-45 °C (lit.¹¹ 43 °C), IR (KBr) 698, 764, 791, 914, 960, 1140, 1270, 1350, 1410, 1450, 1490, 1590, 1620, 1690, 3040 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz; DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 12.49 - 12.43 (m, 1H), 7.35 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.18 - 7.02 (m, 2H), 3.62 (s, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz; DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 172.73, 163.66, 138.17, 130.51, 126.06 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 21.1 Hz), 116.61 (d, *J*_{C-F} = 22.1 Hz), 113.94, 40.11 ppm.

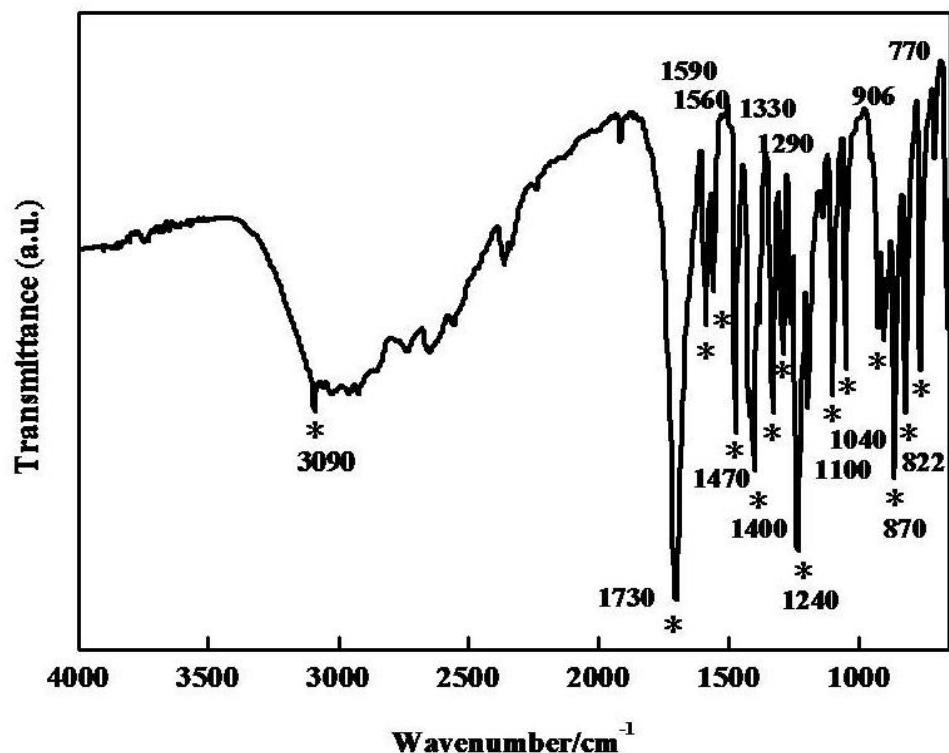
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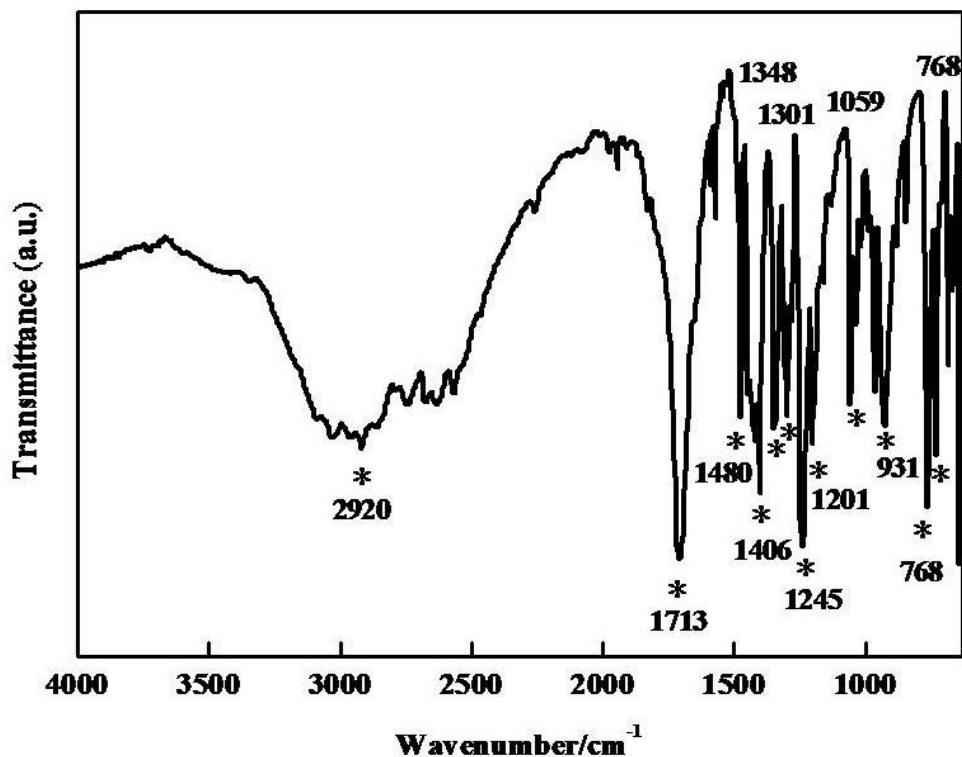
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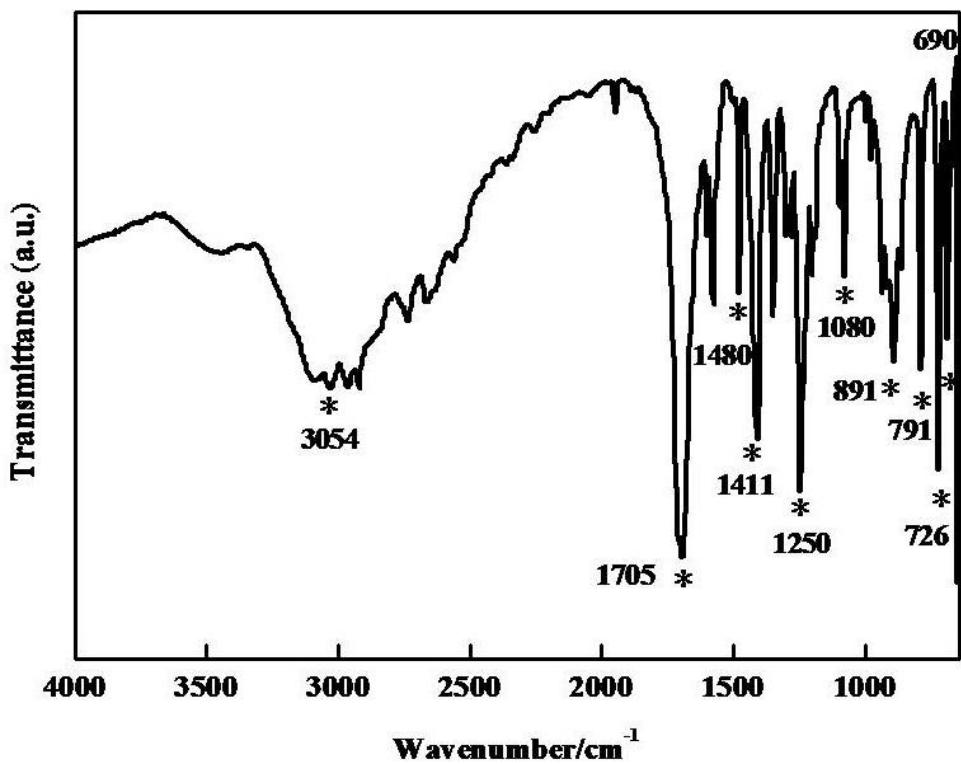
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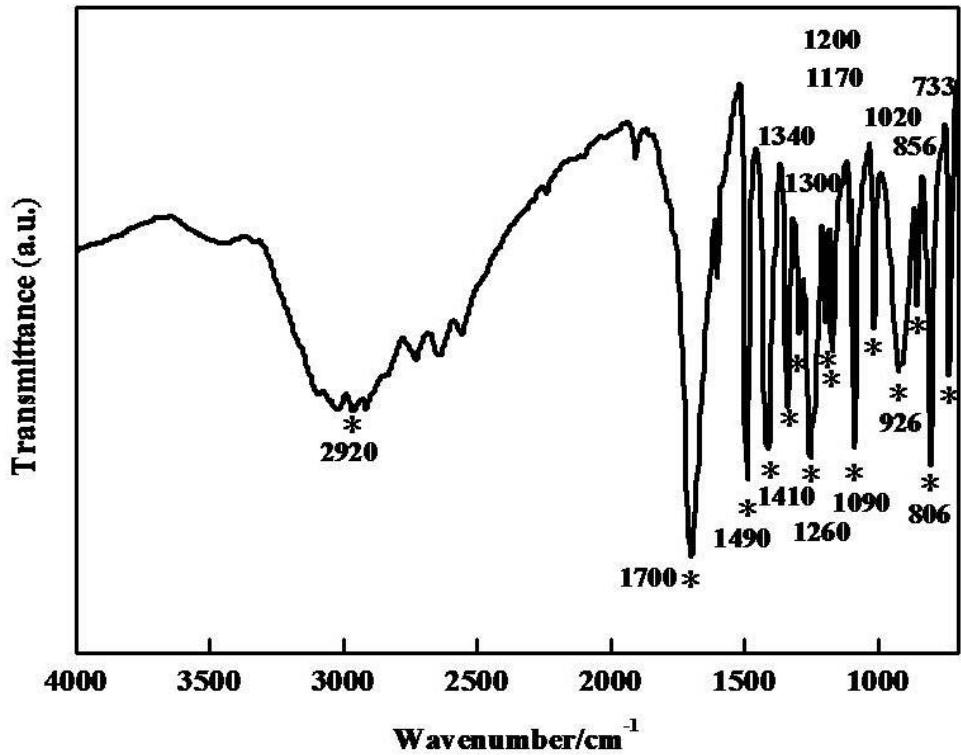
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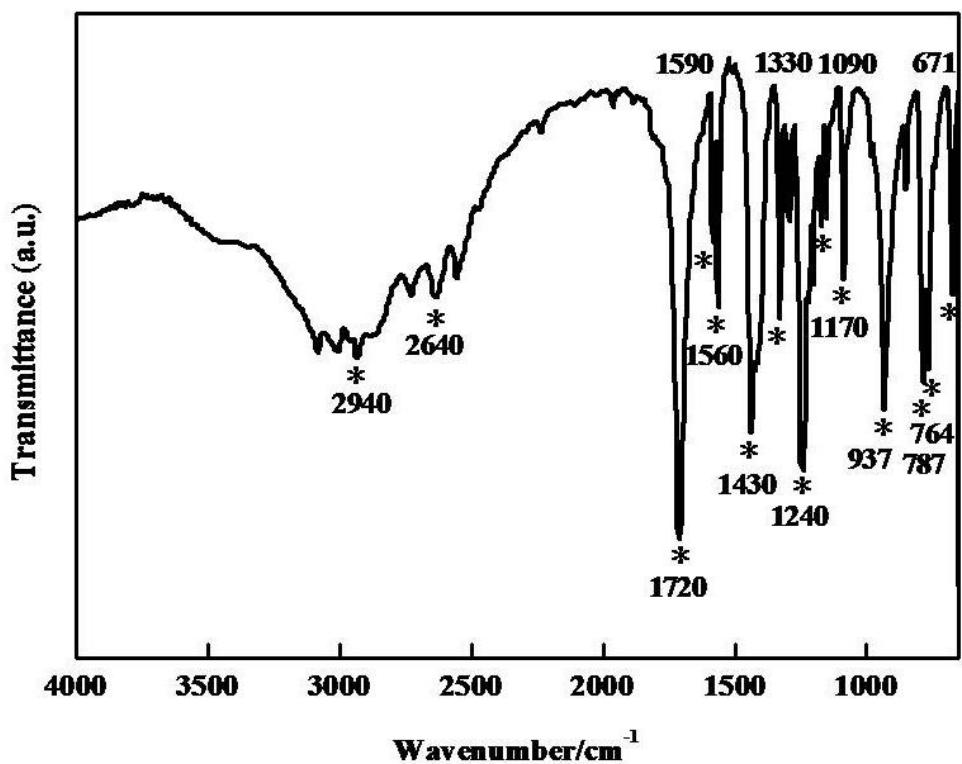
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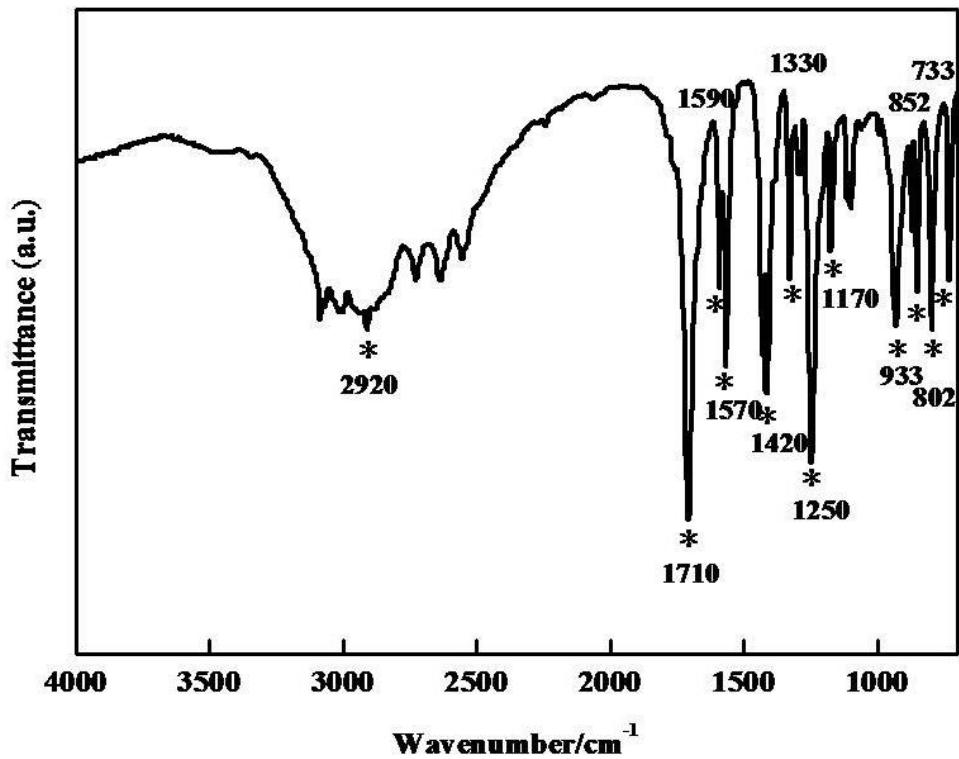
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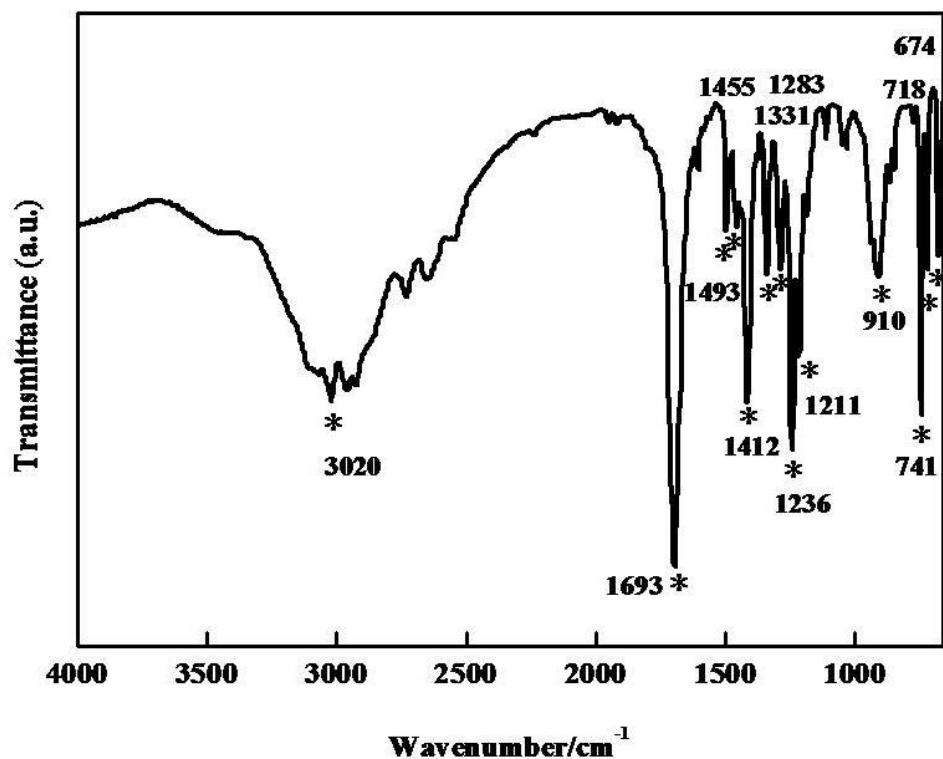
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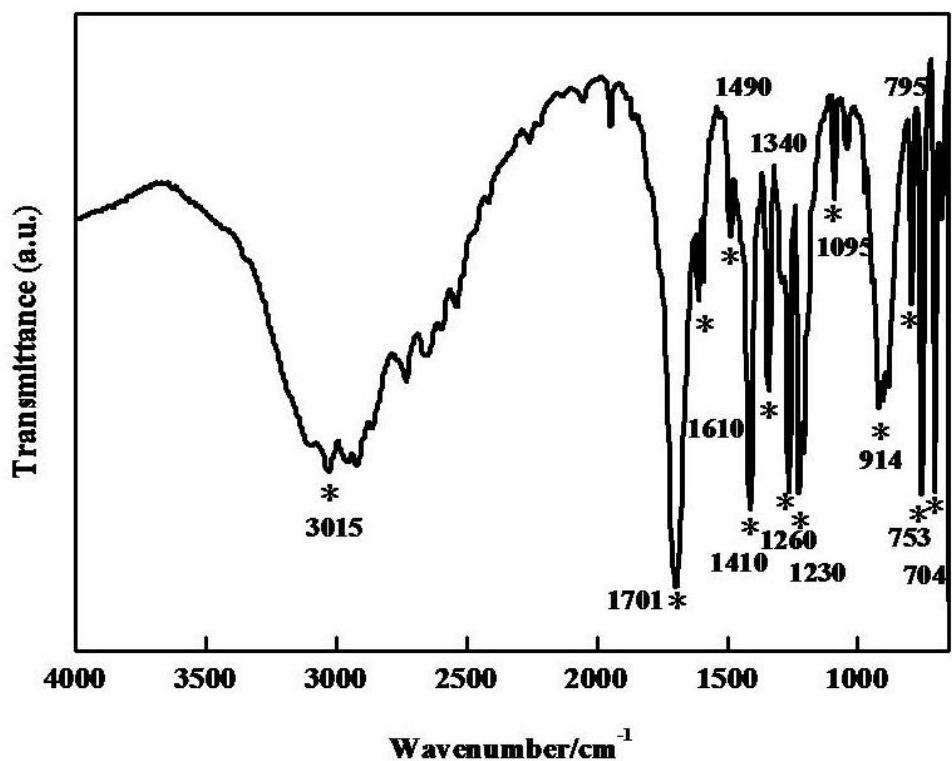
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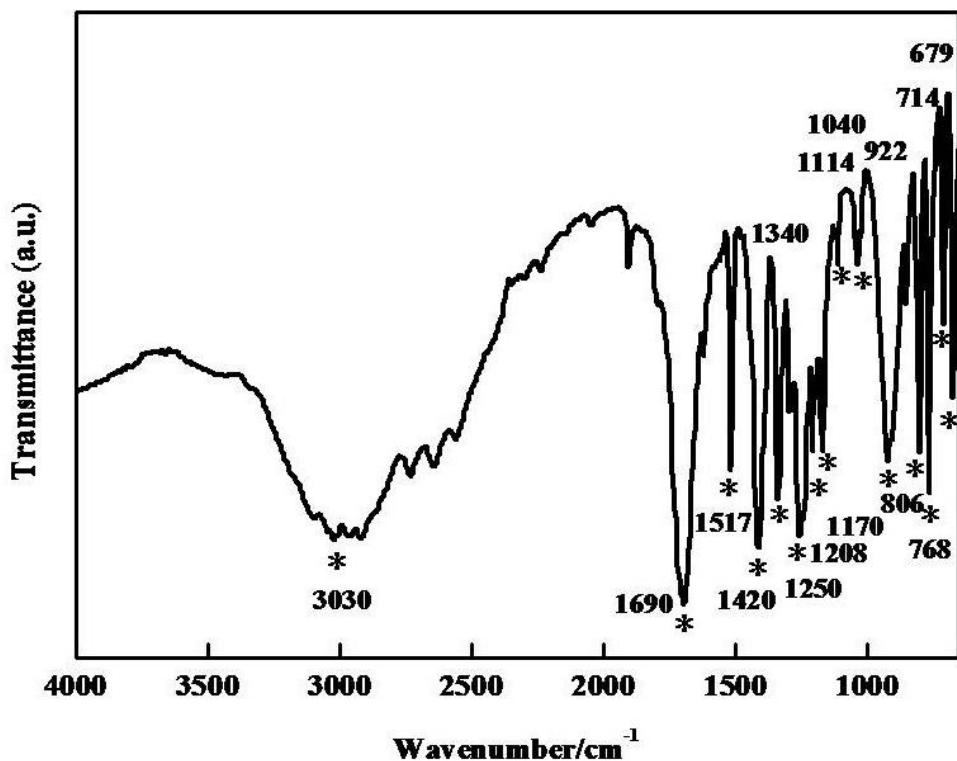
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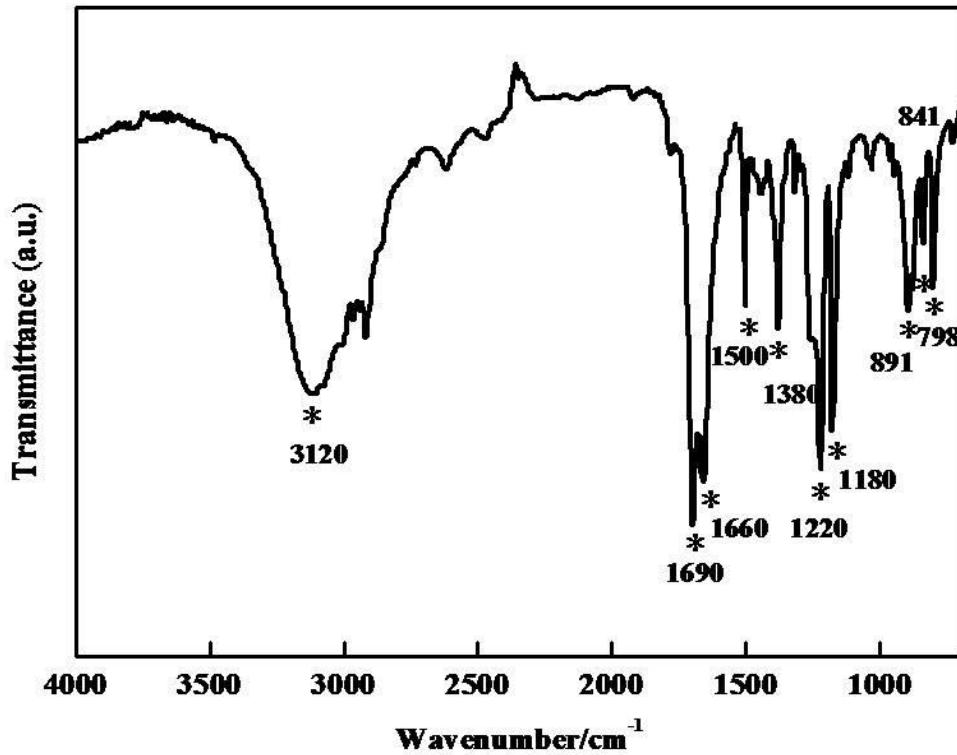
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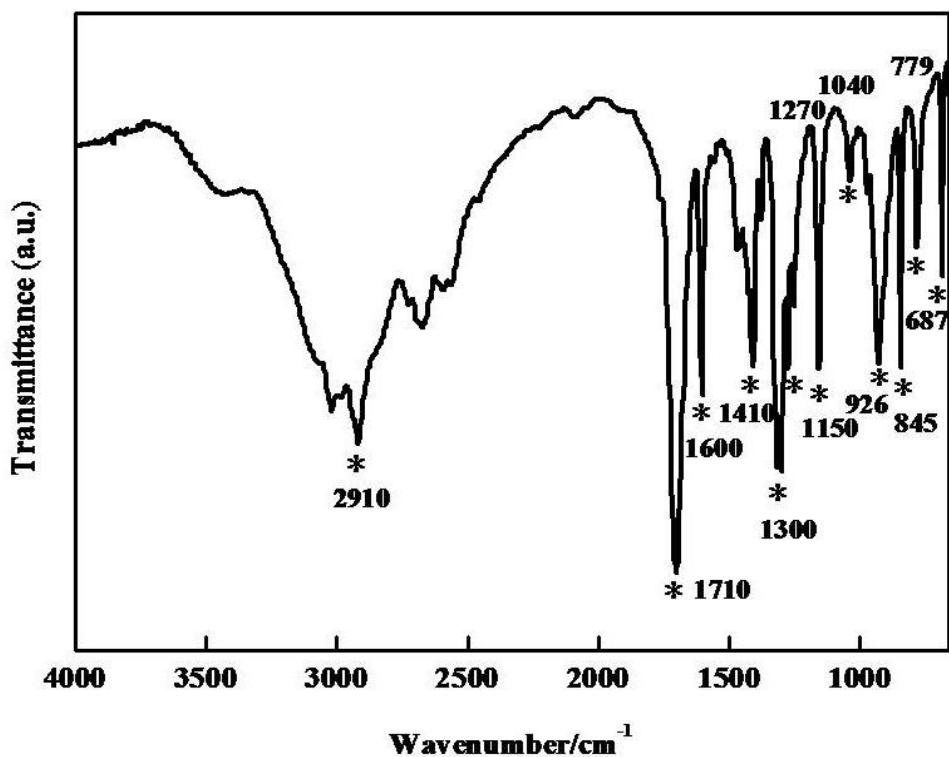
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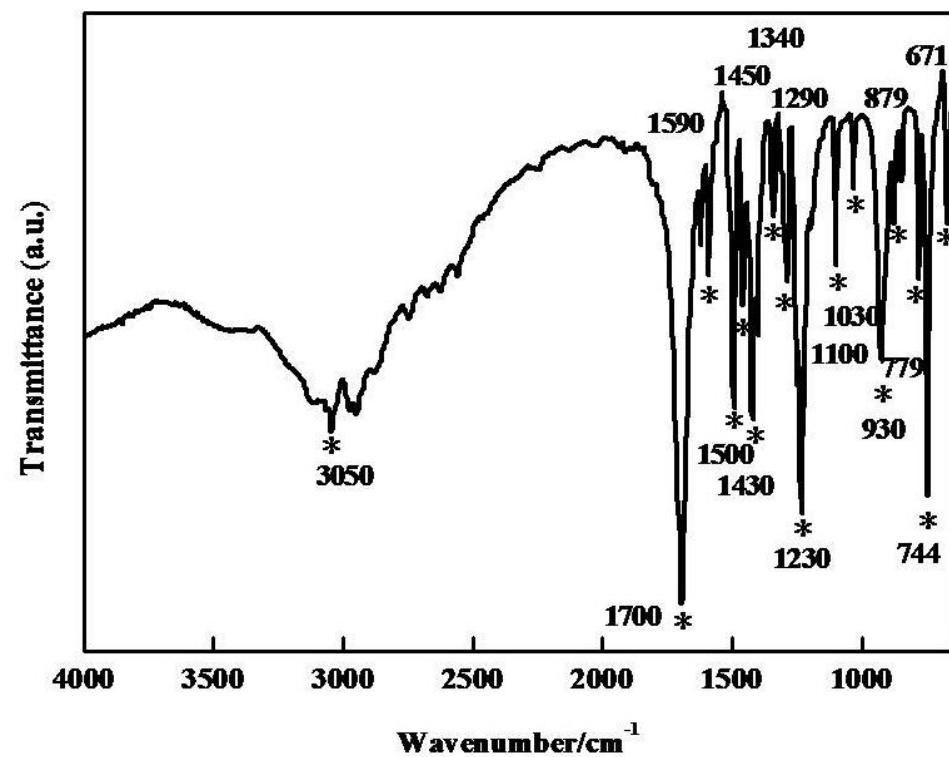
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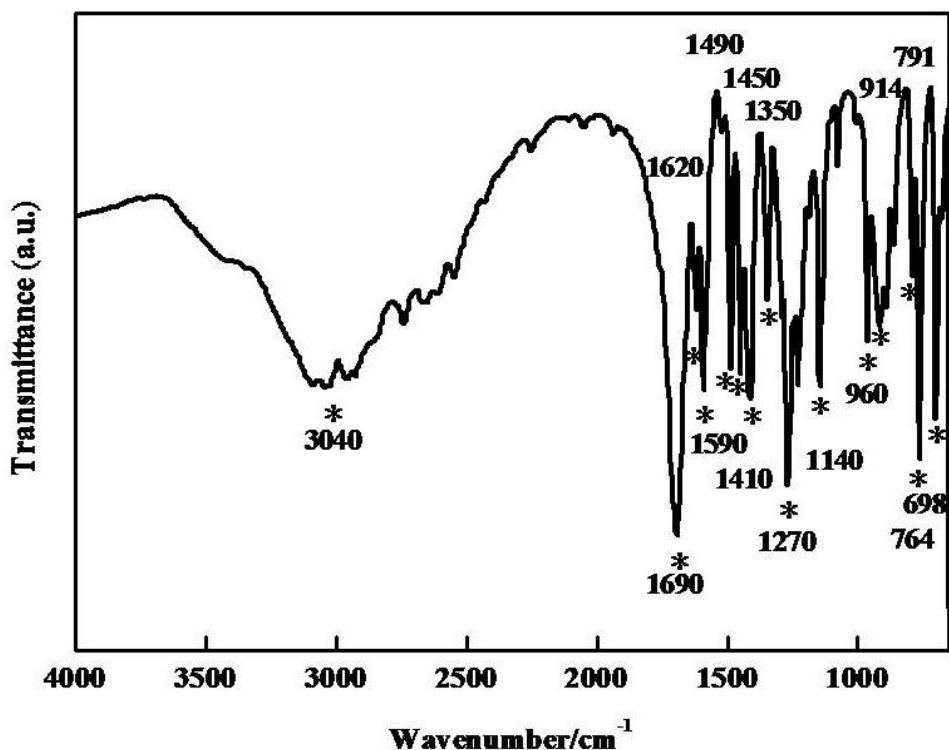
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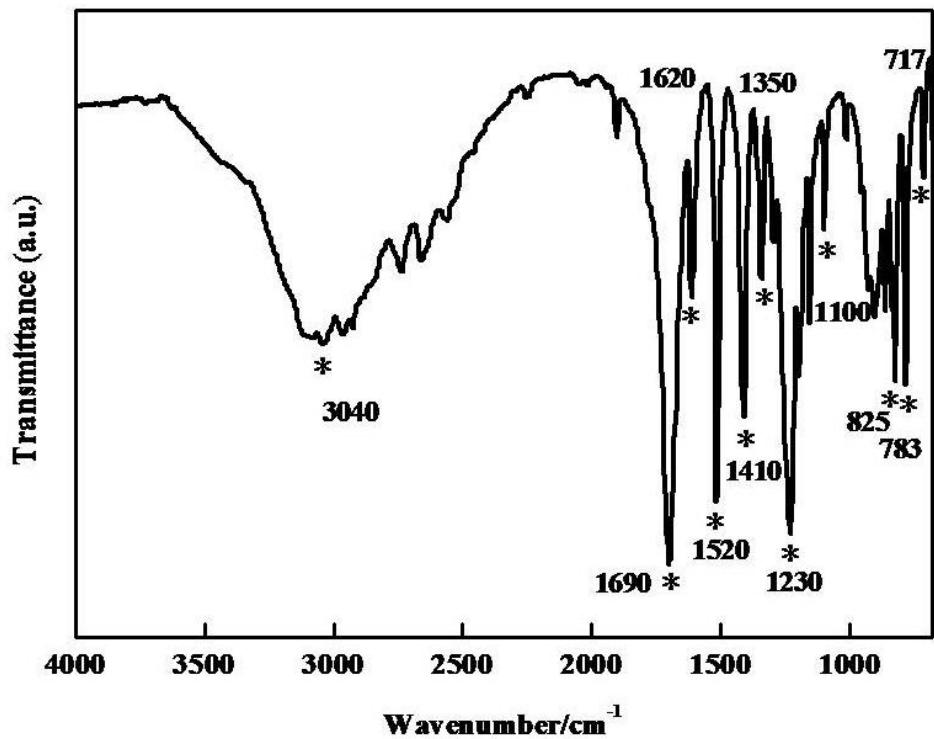
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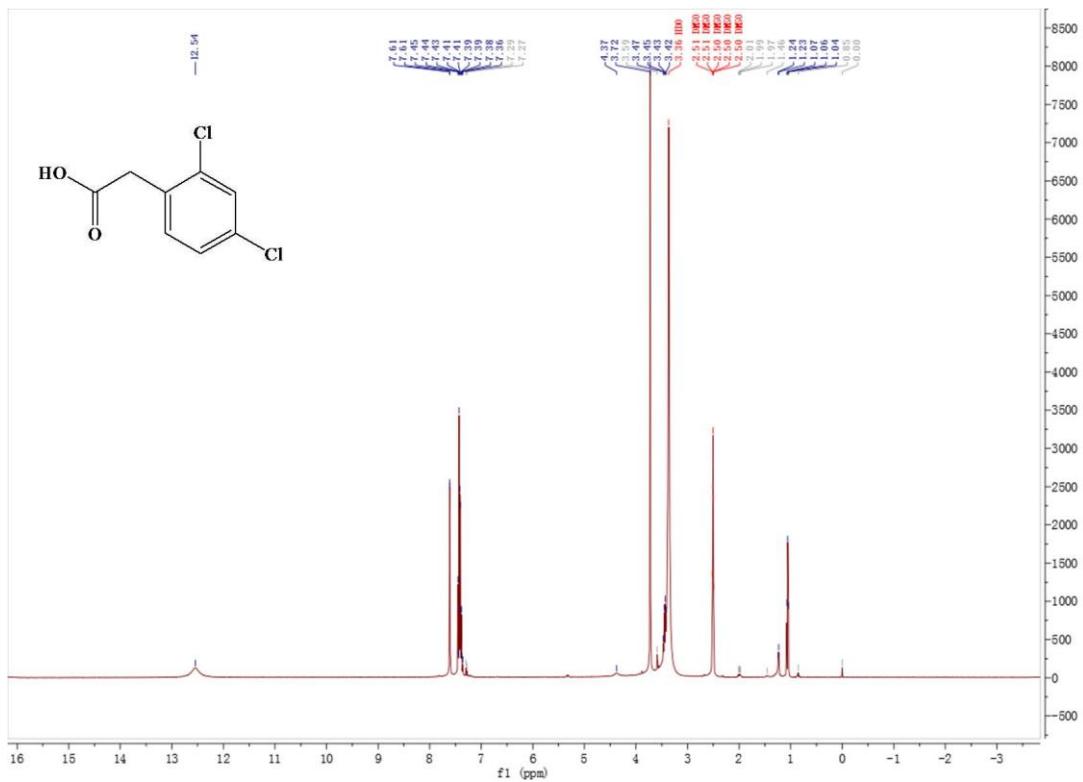


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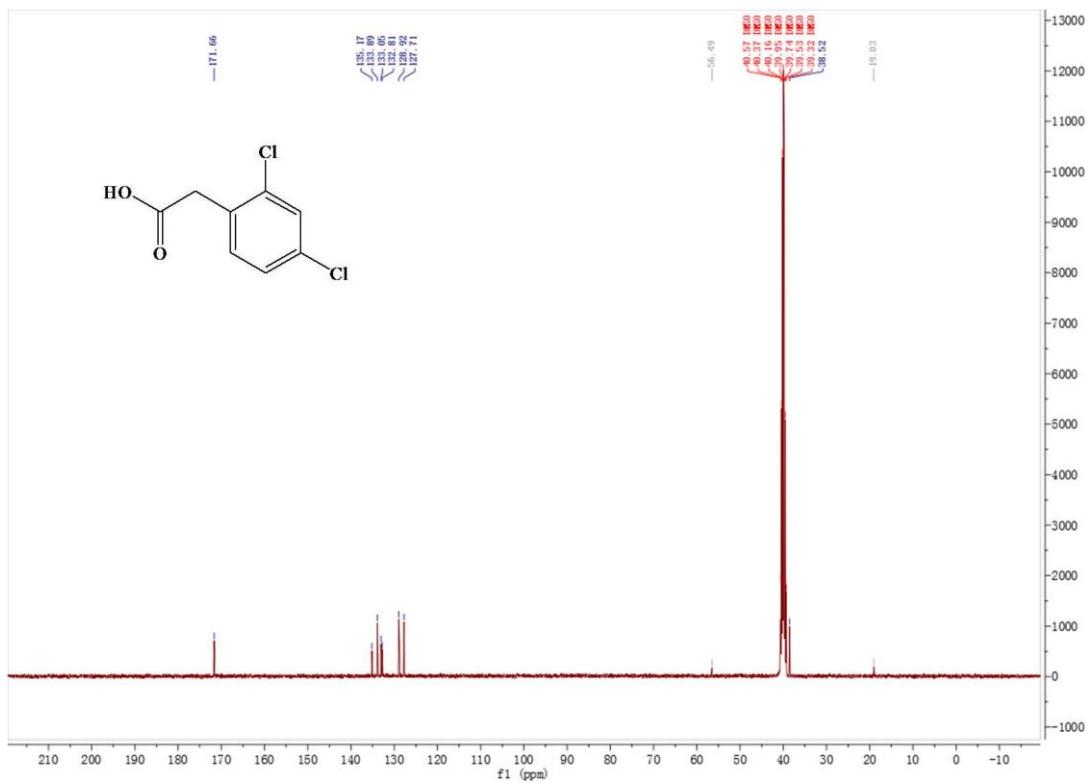


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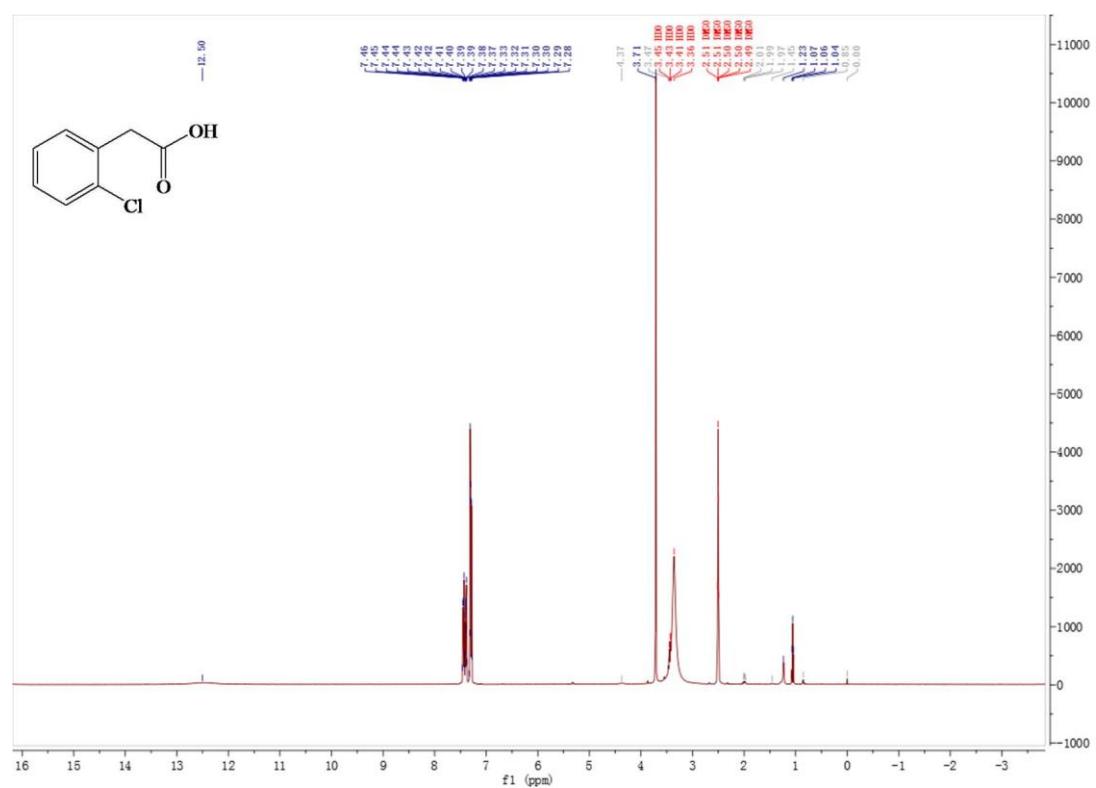
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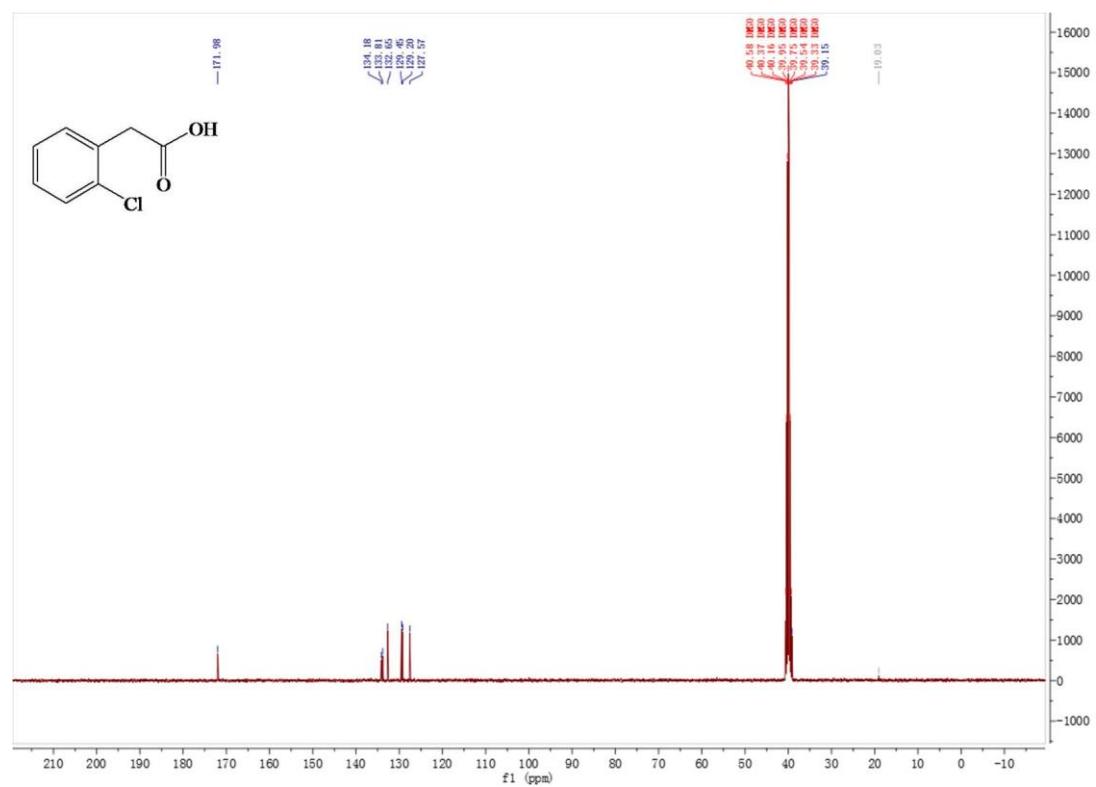
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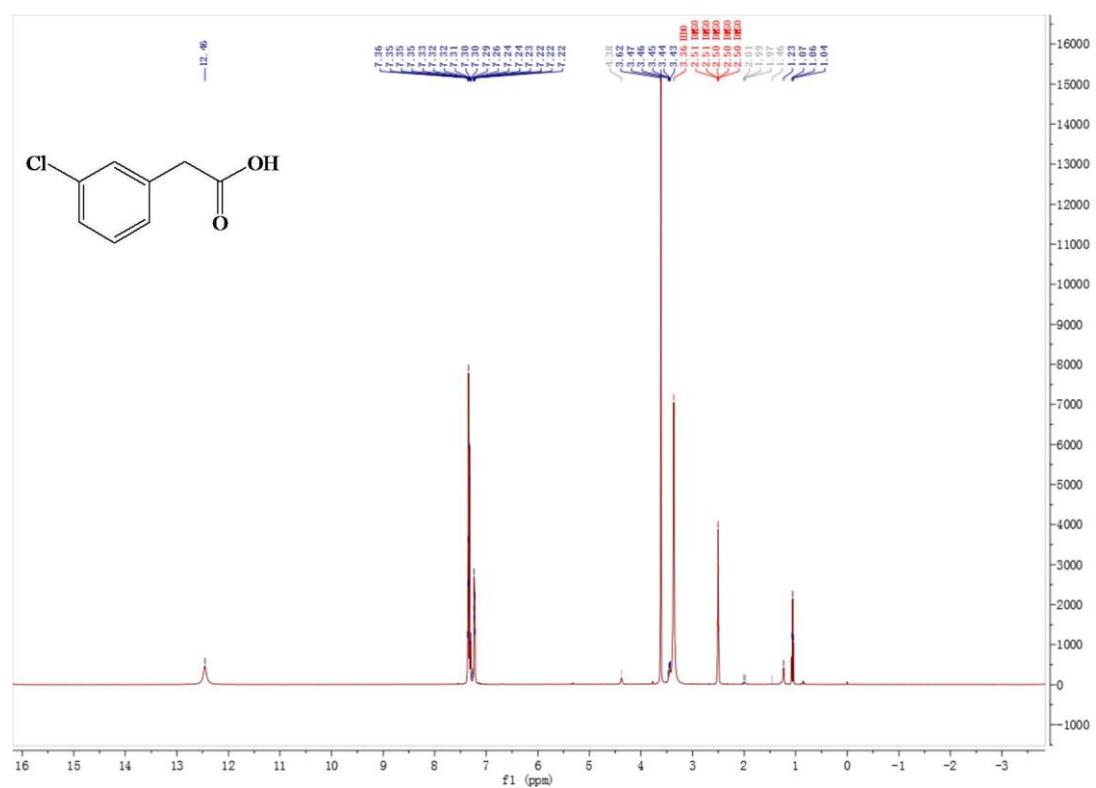
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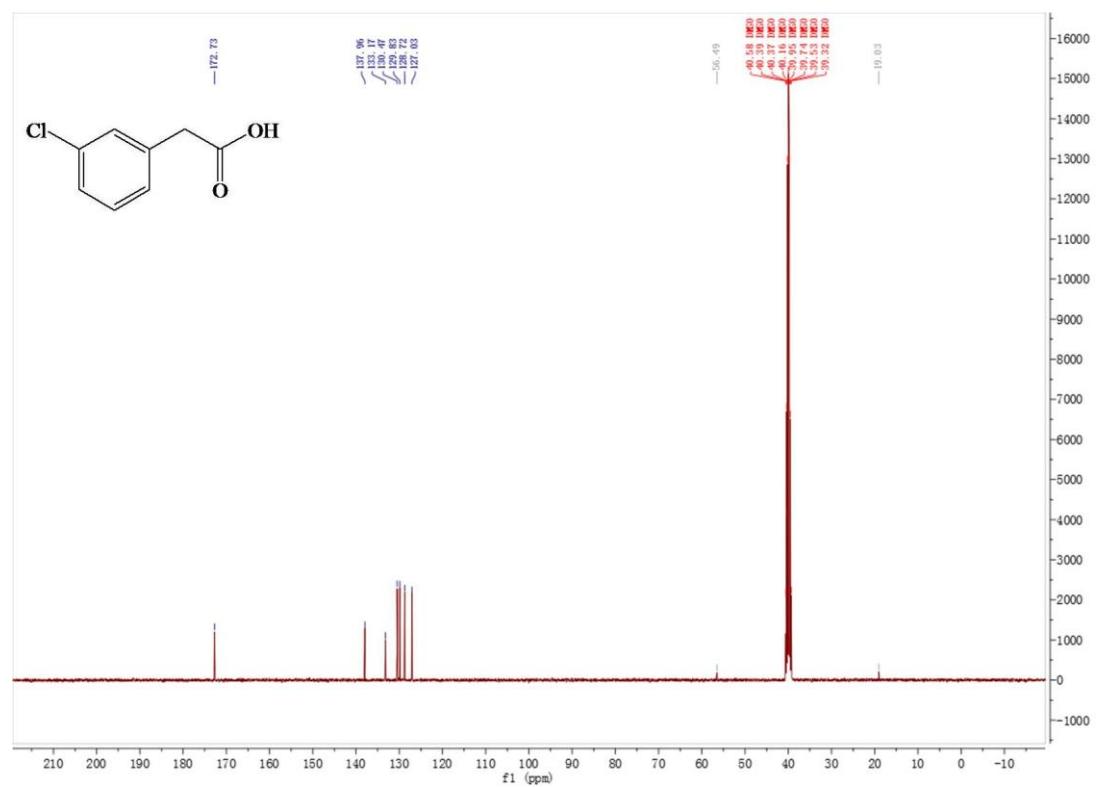
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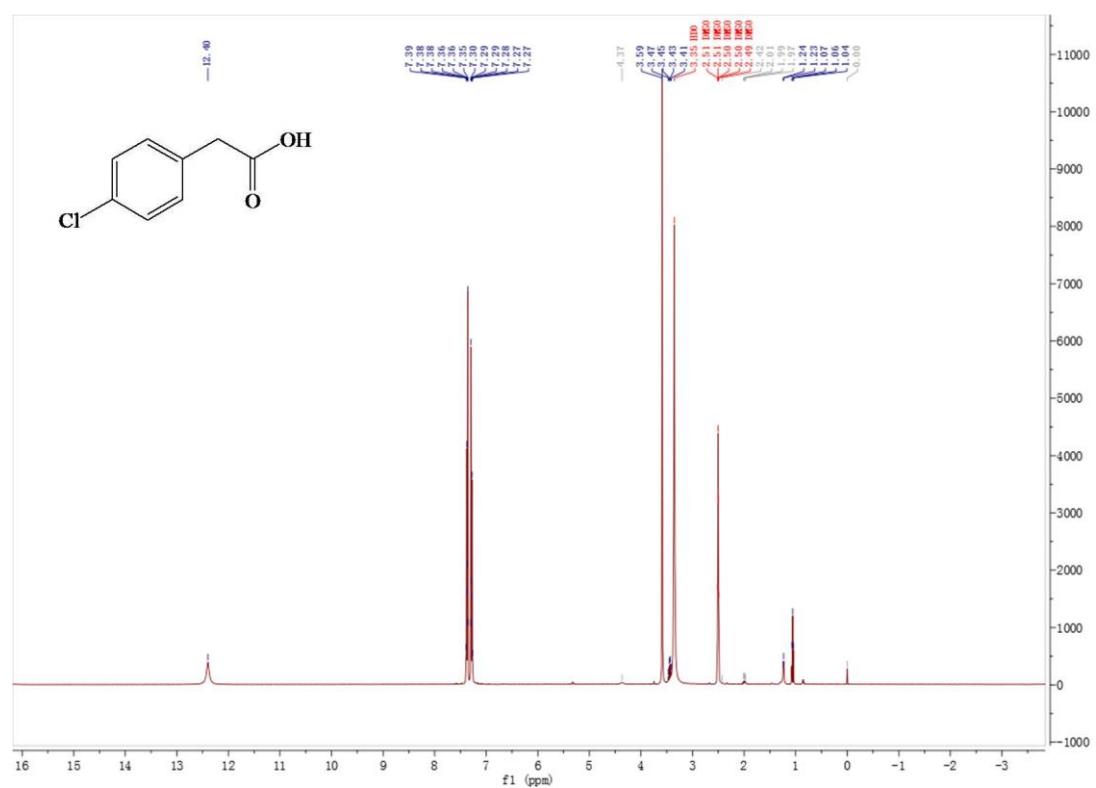
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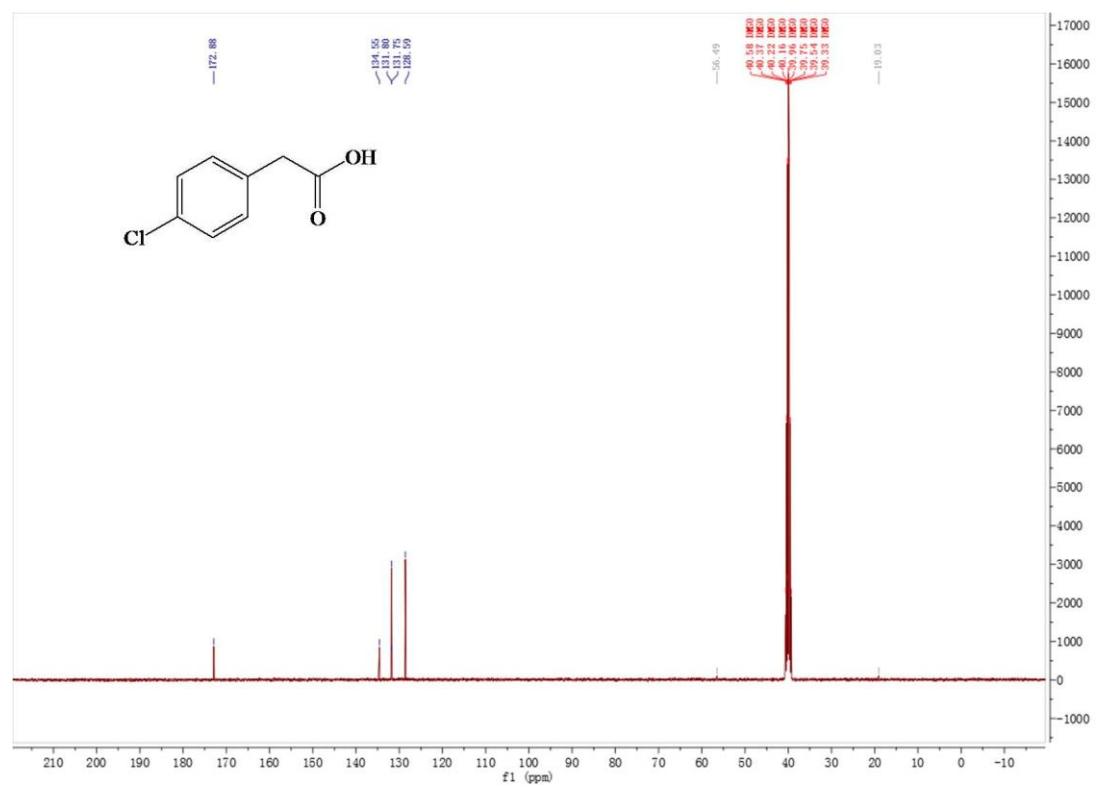
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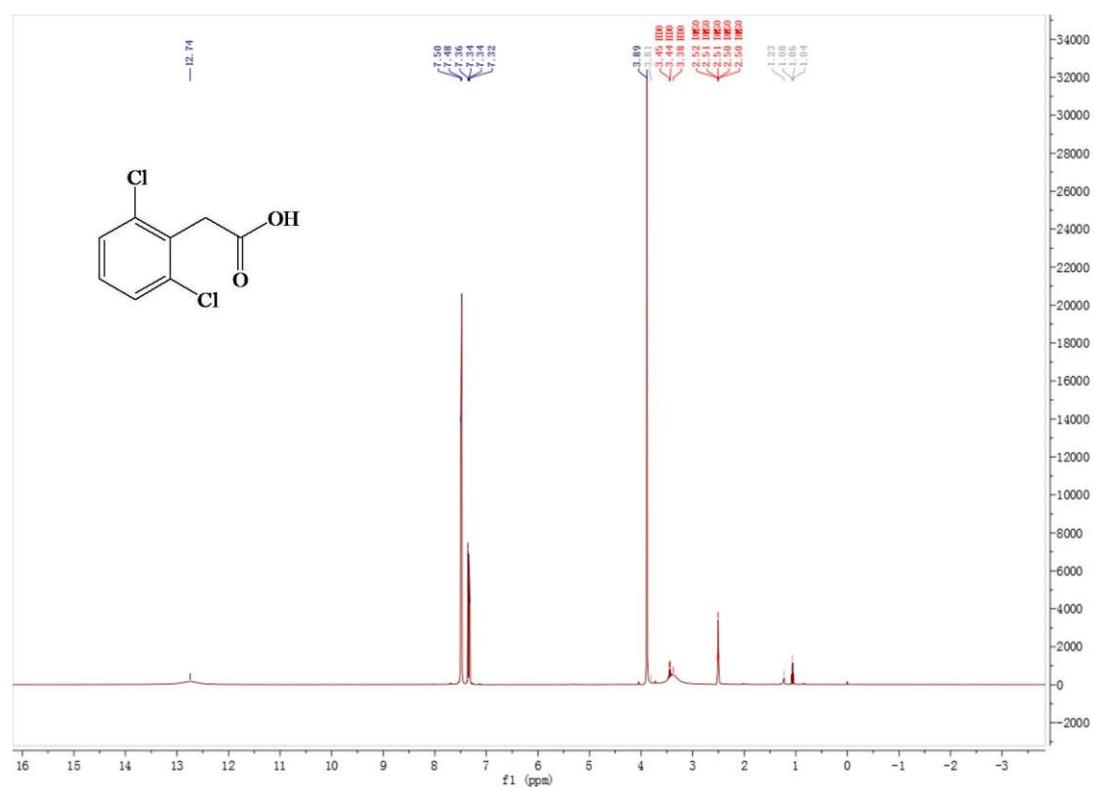
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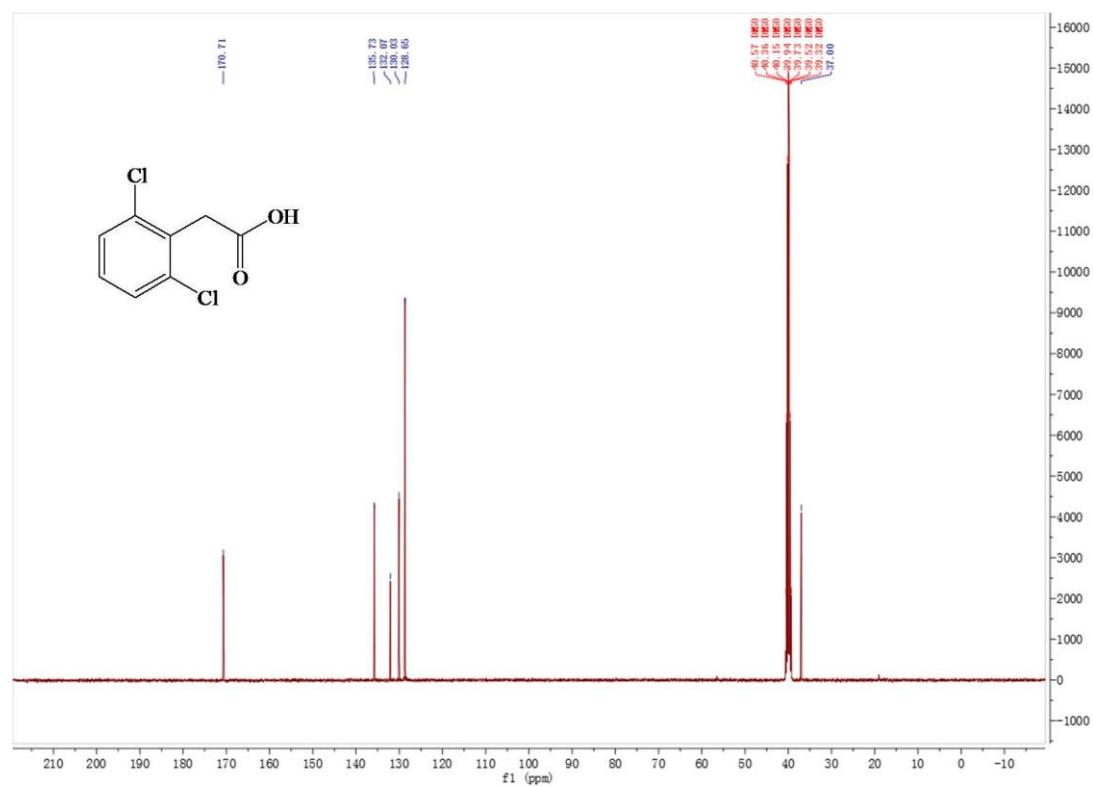
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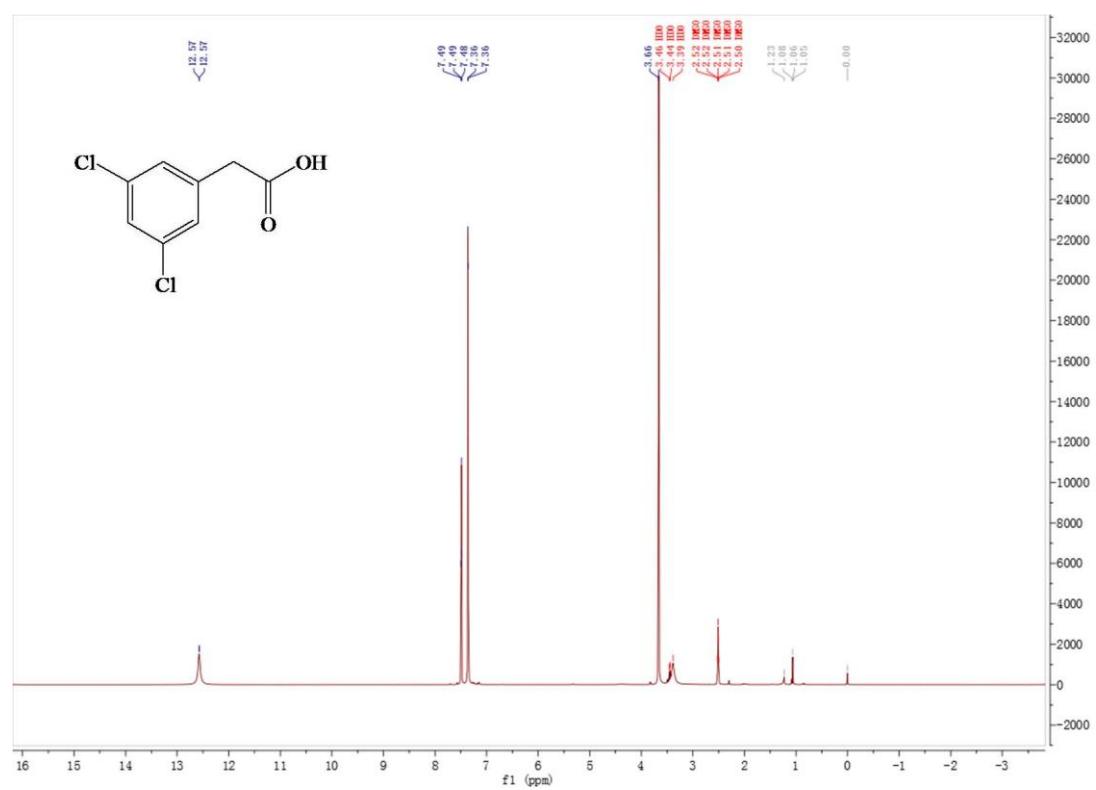
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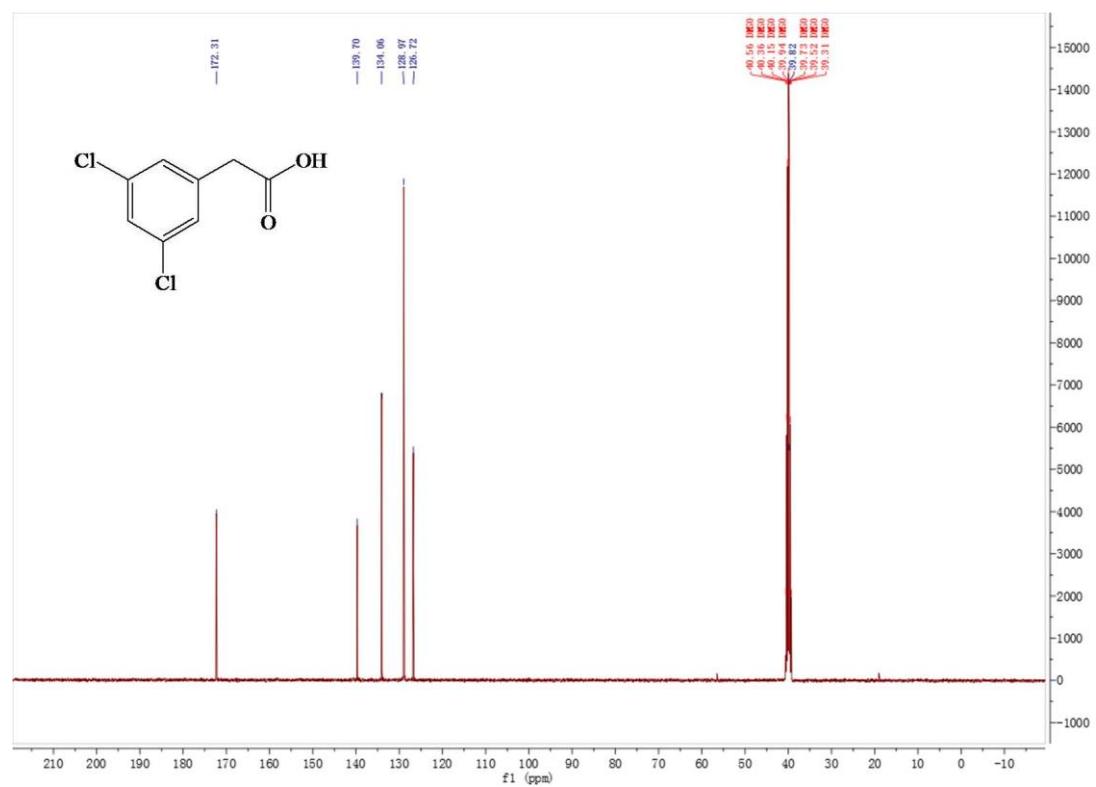
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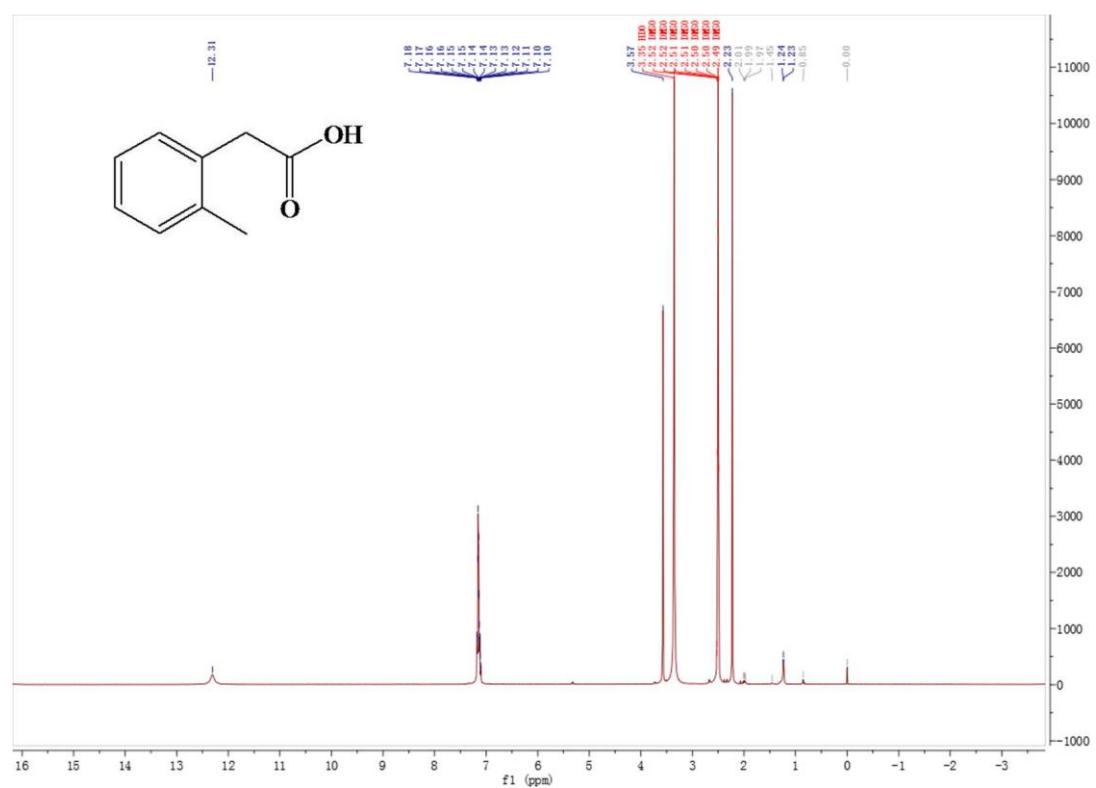
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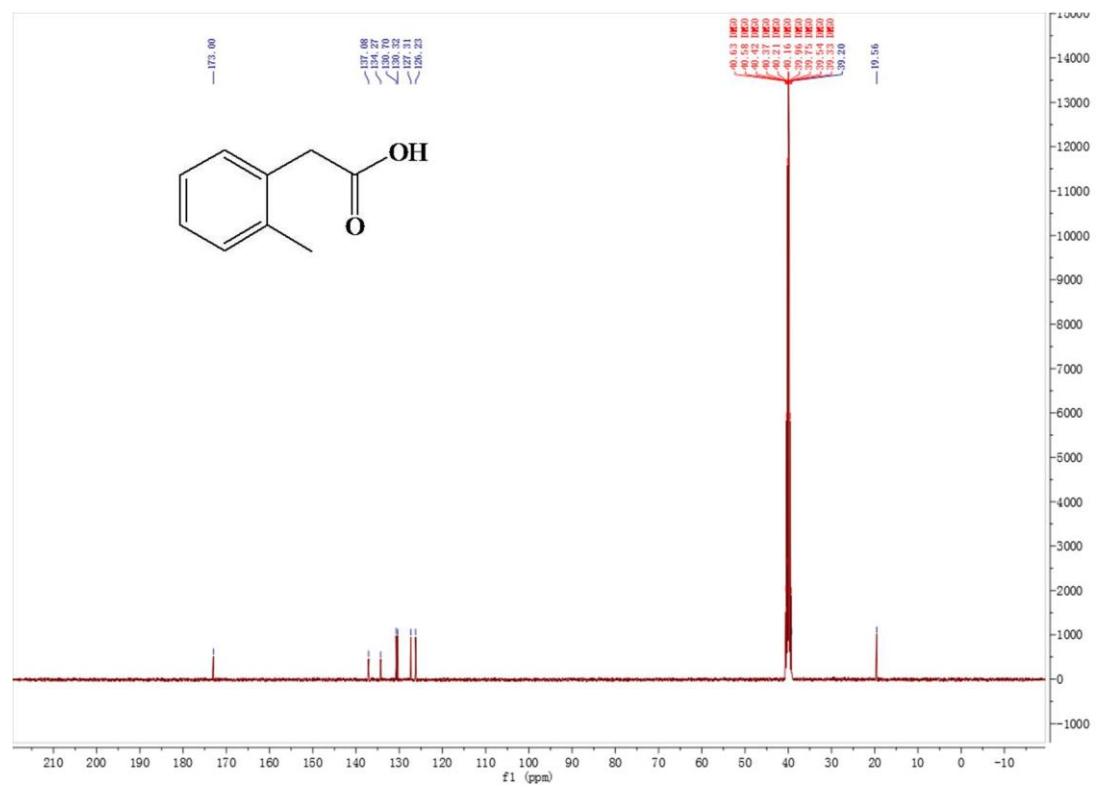
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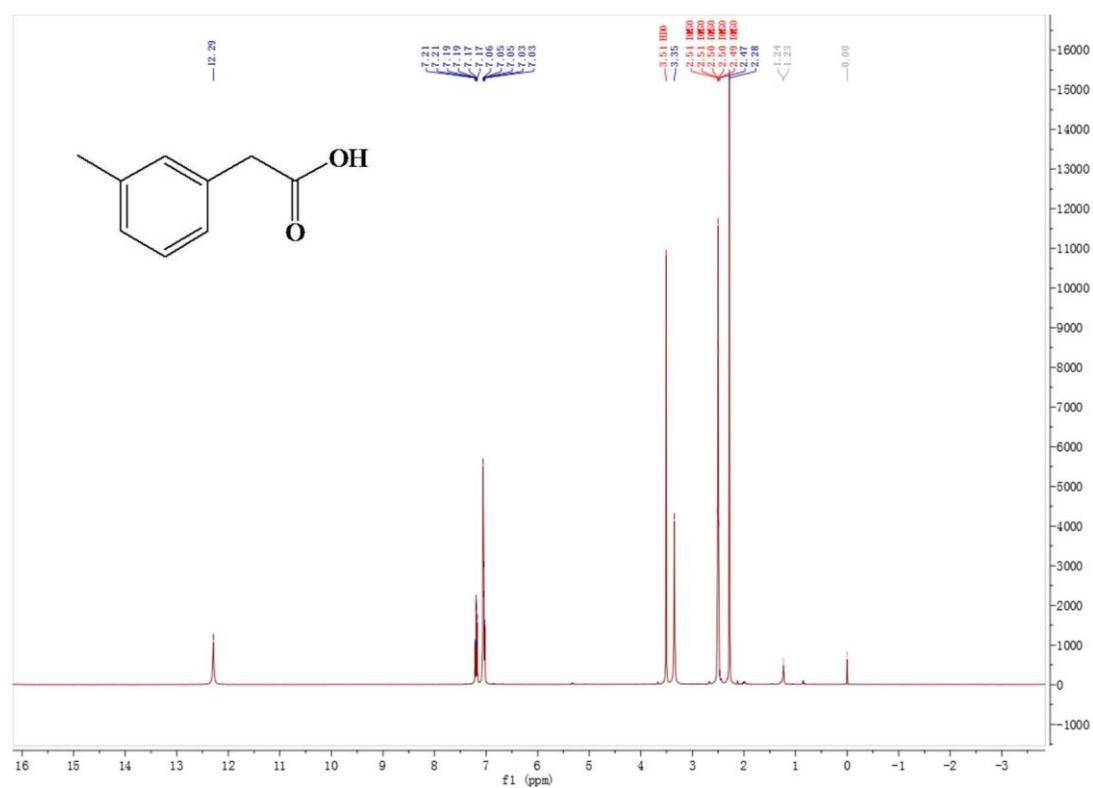
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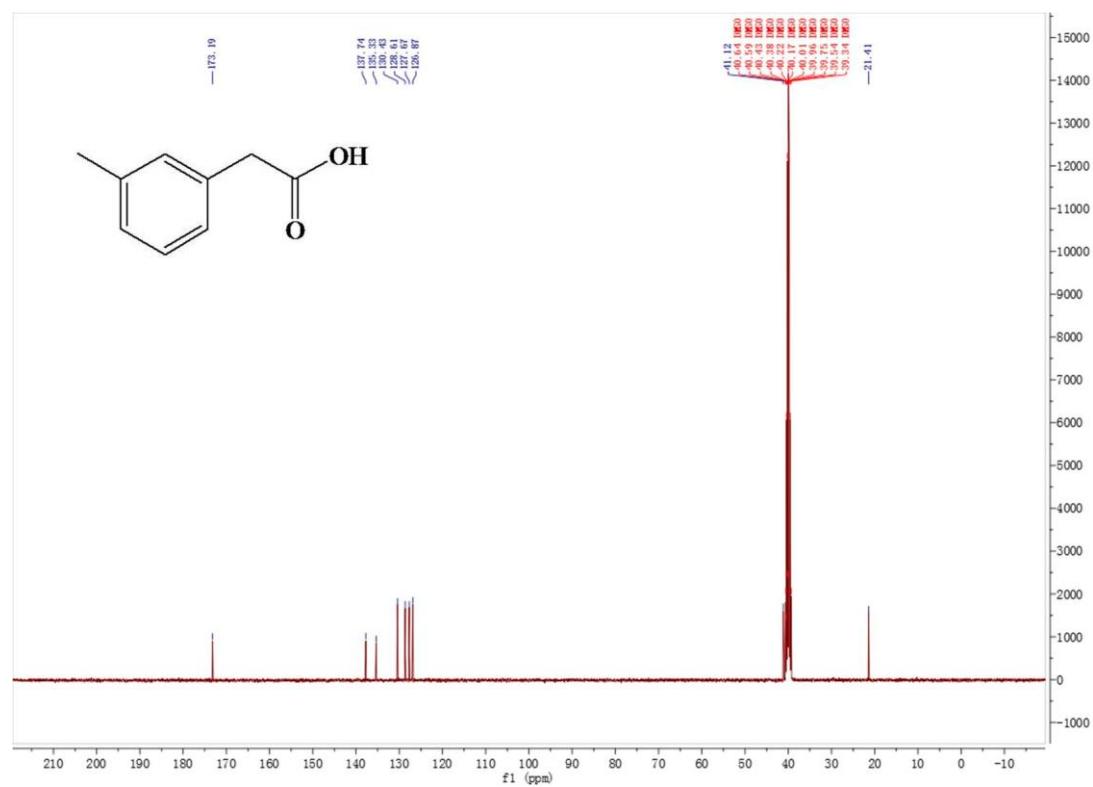
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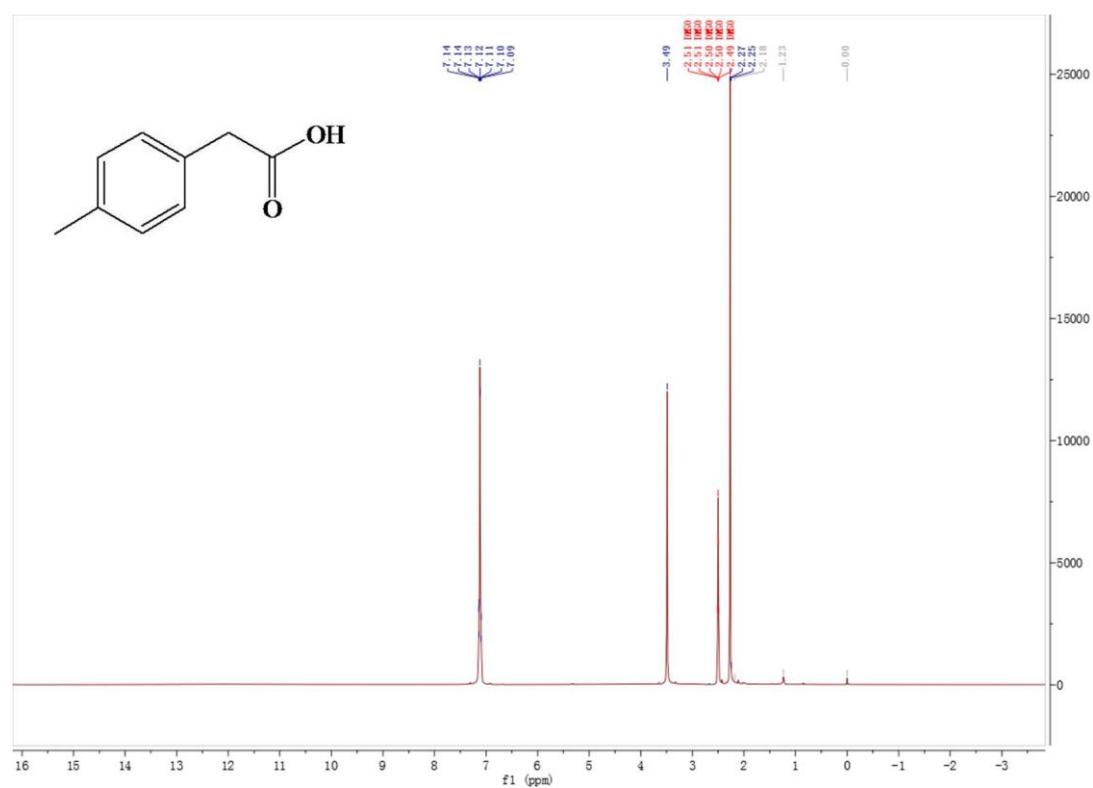
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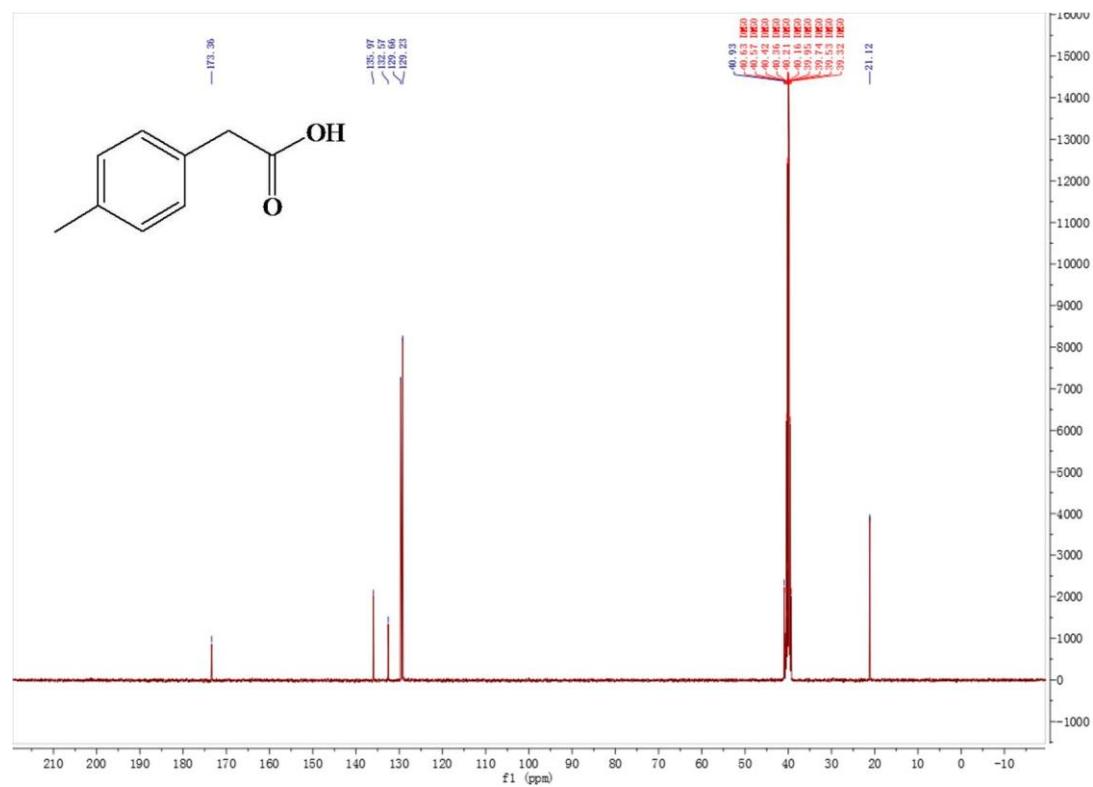
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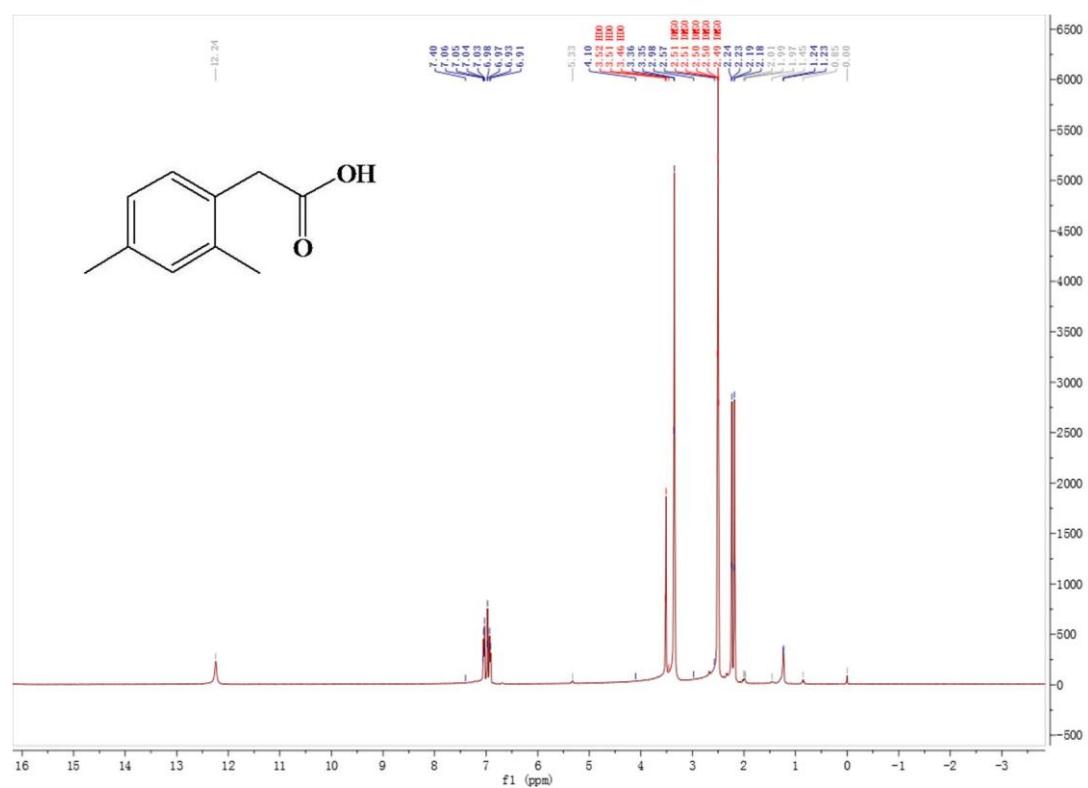
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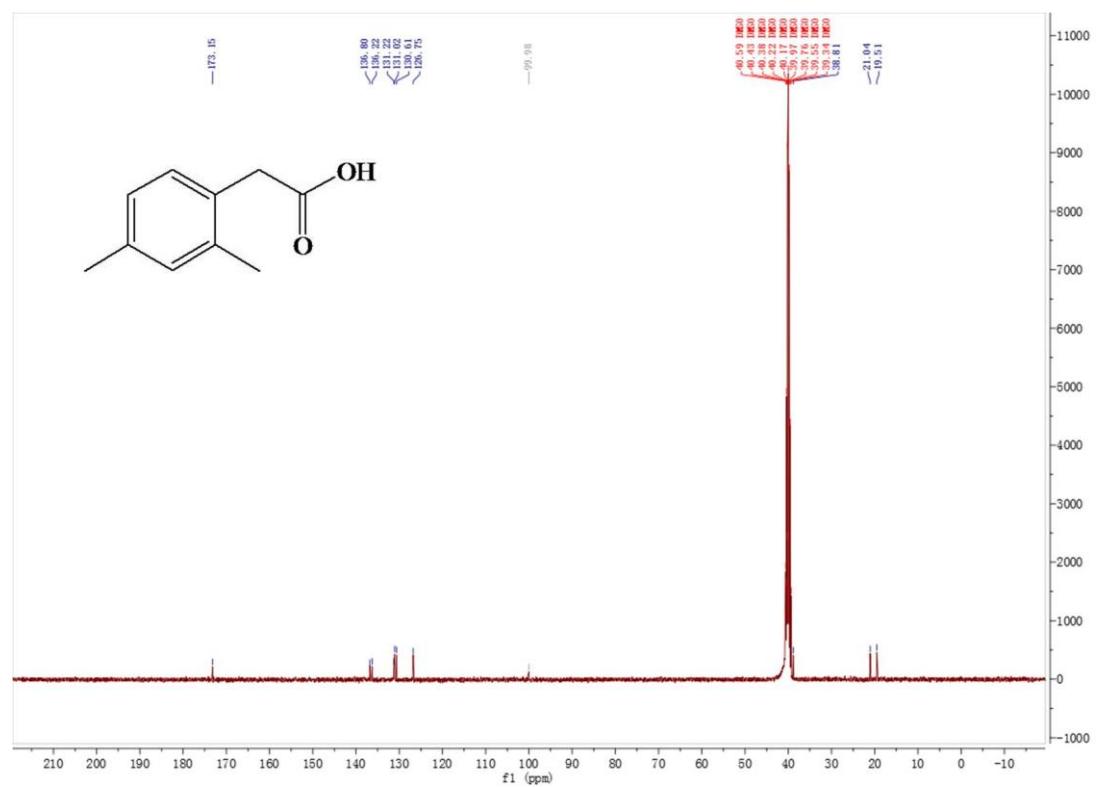
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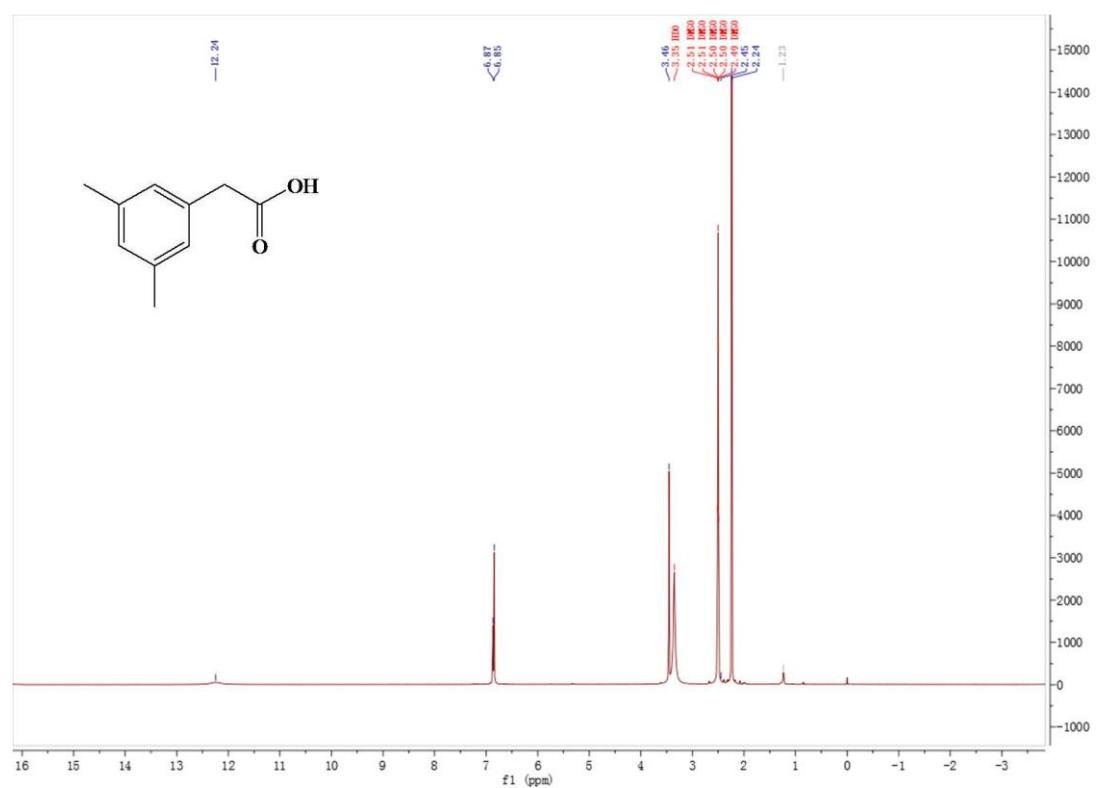
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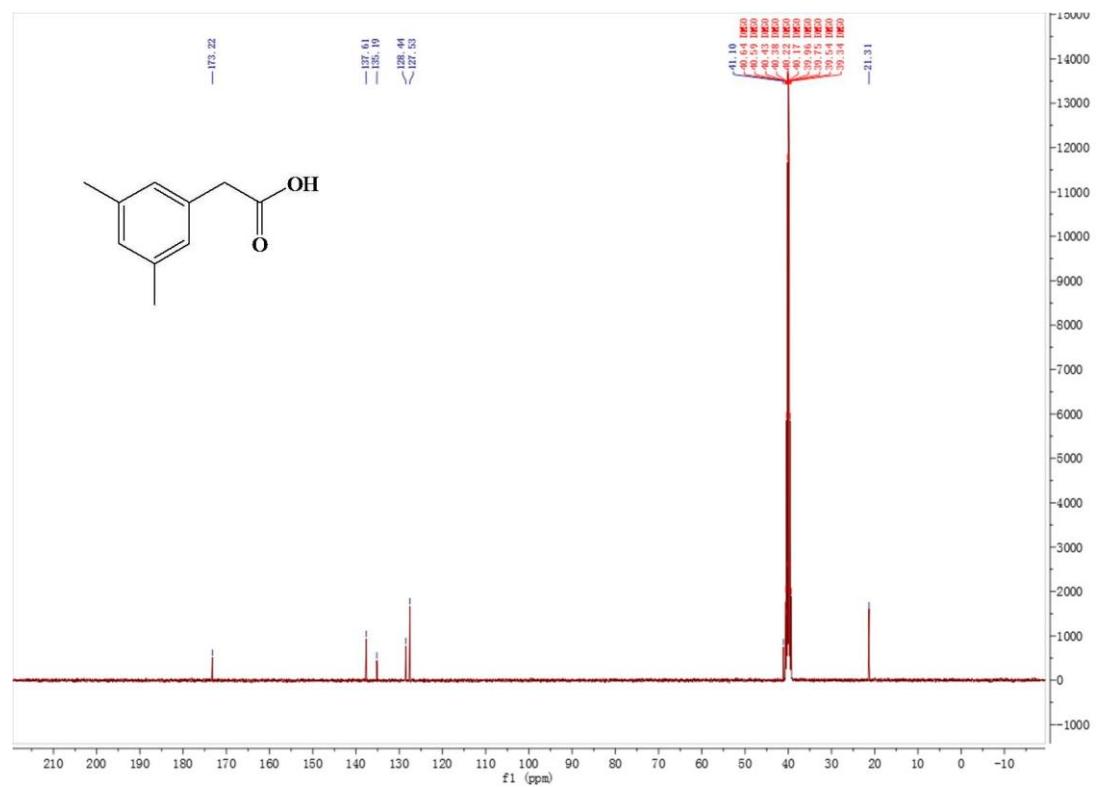
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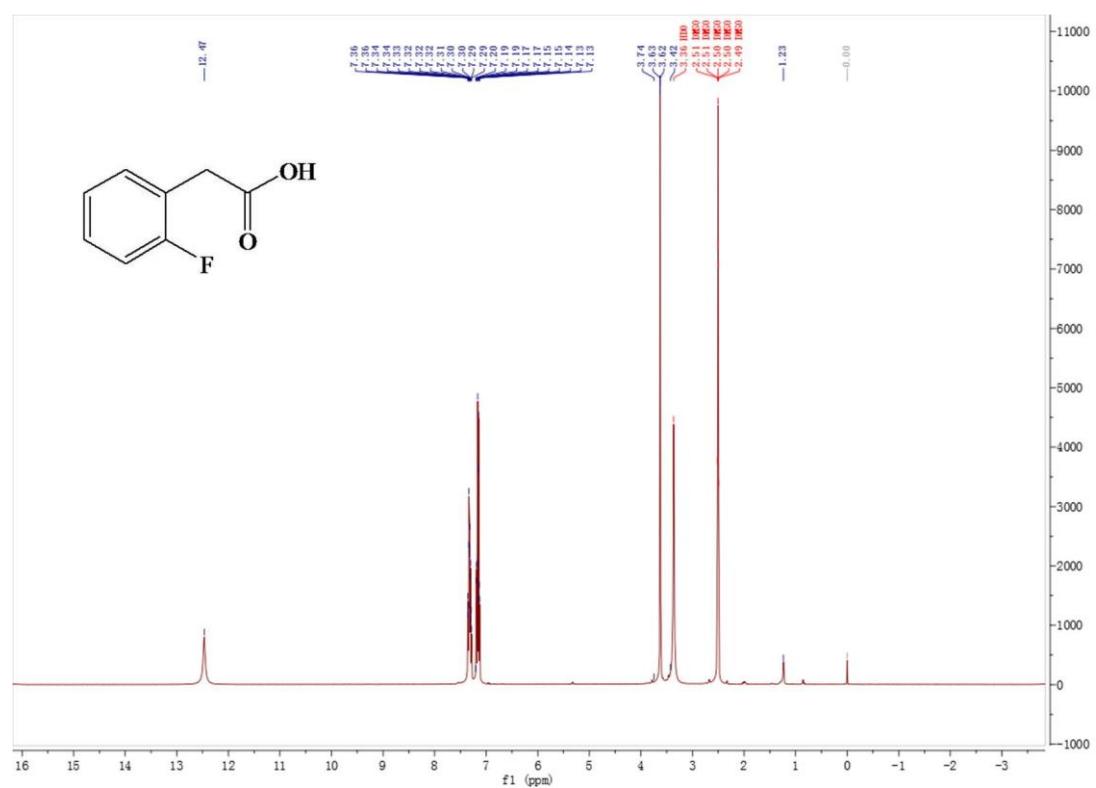
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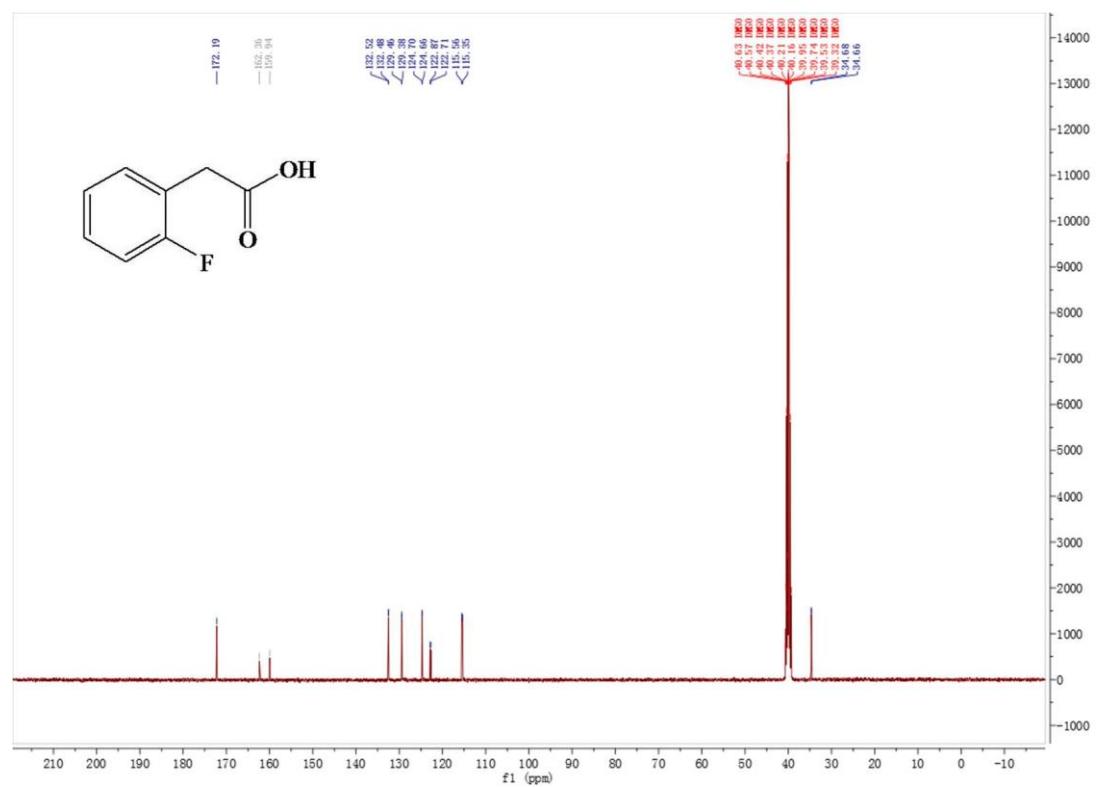
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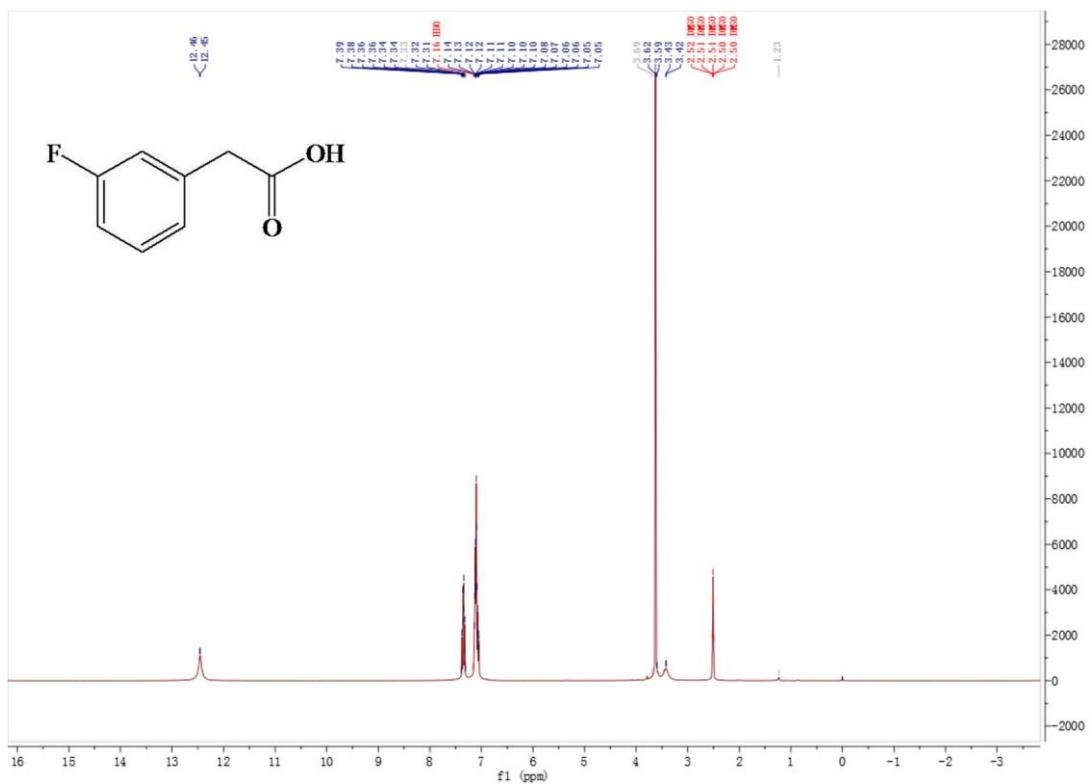
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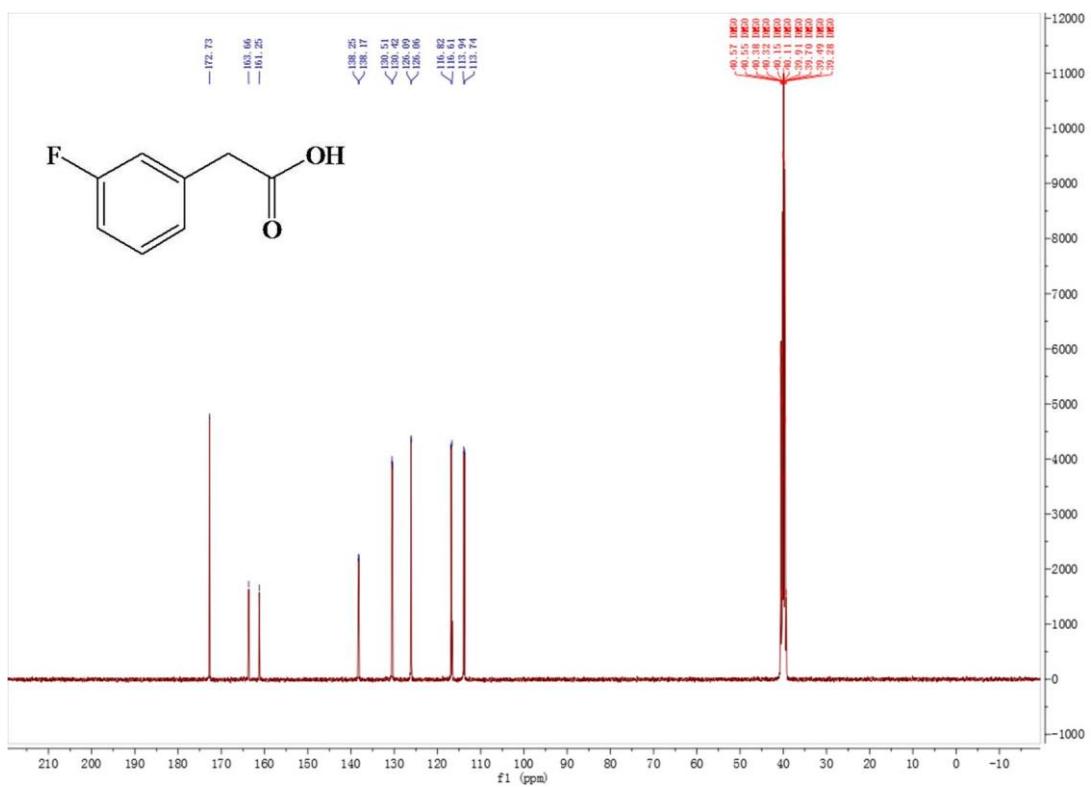
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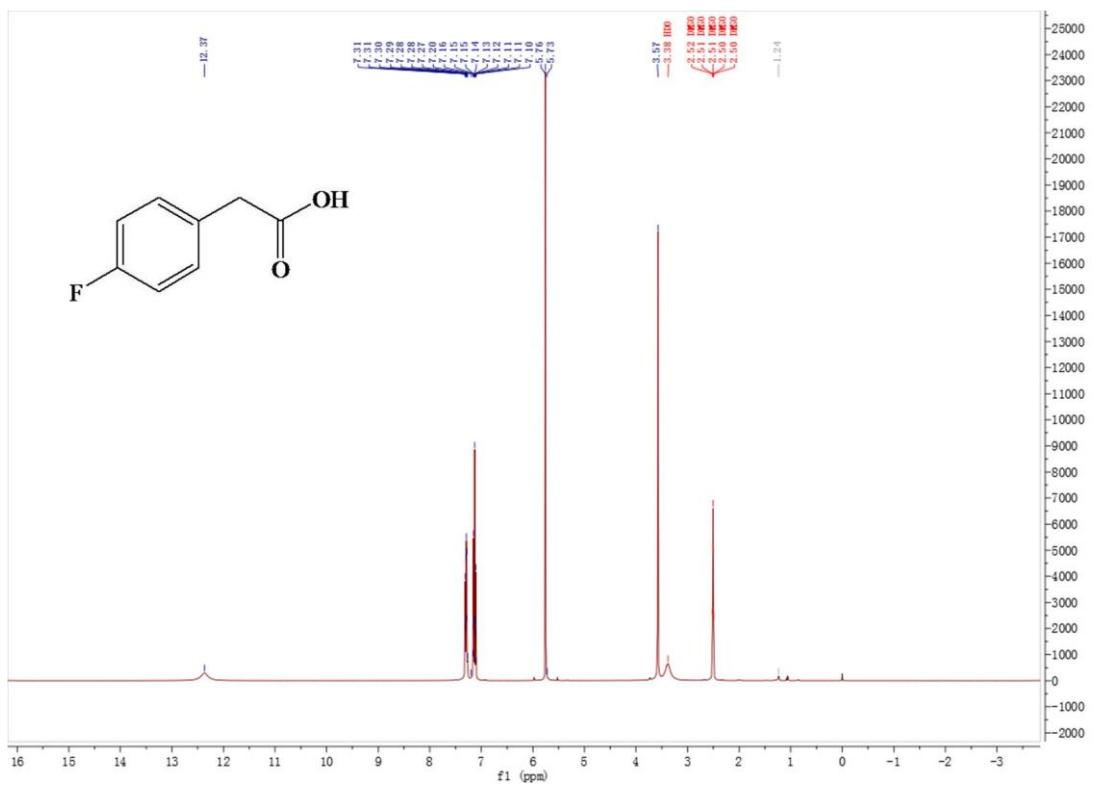
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