

## Supplementary Material

### Palladium catalyzed hydroesterification of substituted alkenes under microwave conditions

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**Table S1.** Quantities of reagents for the methoxycarbonylation of 1-octene (**3**), styrene (**4**), allylbenzenes (**9 - 11**) and  $\beta$ -methylstyrene (**12**) under microwave conditions at 95 °C (150 watt) with 12 bar CO pressure in MeOH (4 ml)

Alkene	1-Octene ( <b>3</b> ) 0.238 g, 2.12 mmol	Styrene ( <b>4</b> ) 0.221 g, 2.12 mmol	$\beta$ -methylstyrene ( <b>12</b> ) 0.251 g, 2.12 mmol
Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	0.0251 g, 0.112 mmol	0.0246 g, 0.110 mmol	0.0239 g, 0.106 mmol
Al(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	0.102 g, 0.215 mmol	0.102 g, 0.215 mmol	0.102 g, 0.215 mmol
PPh <sub>3</sub>	0.114 g, 0.435 mmol	0.114 g, 0.435 mmol	0.112 g, 0.427 mmol
Xylene	0.260 g, 2.45 mmol	0.254 g, 2.39 mmol	0.253 g, 2.38 mmol
Products	<b>5 and 6</b>	<b>7 and 8</b>	<b>13, 14 and 15</b>
Alkene	Allylbenzene ( <b>9</b> ) 0.252 g, 2.13 mmol	1-allyl-4-methoxybenzene ( <b>10</b> ) 0.316 g, 2.13 mmol	1-allyl-2-methoxybenzene ( <b>11</b> ) 0.312 g, 2.11 mmol
Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	0.0254 g, 0.131 mmol	0.0251 g, 0.112 mmol	0.0235 g, 0.105 mmol
Al(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	0.101 g, 0.213 mmol	0.102 g, 0.215 mmol	0.102 g, 0.215 mmol
PPh <sub>3</sub>	0.114 g, 0.435 mmol	0.111 g, 0.422 mmol	0.112 g, 0.427 mmol
Xylene	0.253 g, 2.38 mmol	0.253 g, 2.38 mmol	0.253 g, 2.38 mmol
Products	<b>13, 14 and 15</b>	<b>16, 17 and 18</b>	<b>19, 20 and 21</b>

**Table S2.** Quantities of reagents for the methoxycarbonylation of 1-octene (**3**), styrene (**4**), allylbenzenes (**9 - 11**) and  $\beta$ -methylstyrene (**12**) under autoclave conditions at 95°C under 12 bar CO pressure in MeOH (8 ml)

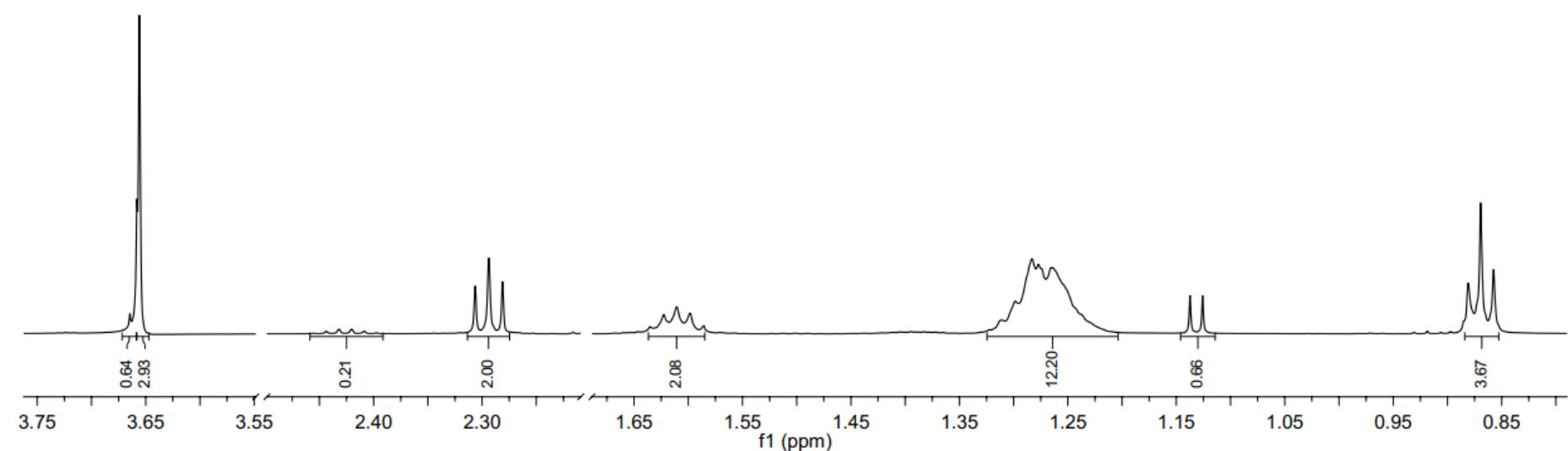
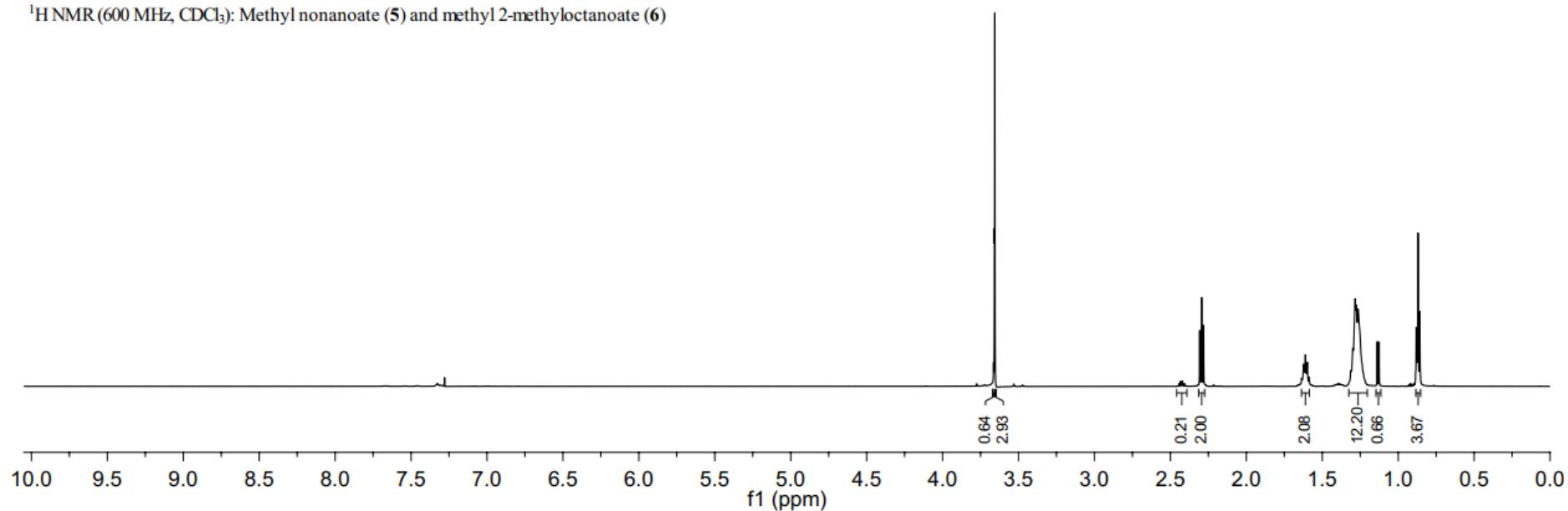
Alkene	1-Octene ( <b>3</b> ) 0.477 g, 4.25 mmol	Styrene ( <b>4</b> ) 0.441 g, 4.23 mmol	$\beta$ -methylstyrene ( <b>12</b> ) 0.501 g, 4.24 mmol
Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	0.0475 g, 0.212 mmol	0.0473 g, 0.211 mmol	0.0487 g, 0.217 mmol
Al(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	0.201 g, 0.424 mmol	0.201 g, 0.424 mmol	0.202 g, 0.426 mmol
PPh <sub>3</sub>	0.224 g, 0.854 mmol	0.222 g, 0.846 mmol	0.227 g, 0.865 mmol
Xylene	0.499 g, 4.70 mmol	0.499 g, 4.70 mmol	0.500 g, 4.71 mmol
Products	<b>5 and 6</b>	<b>7 and 8</b>	<b>13, 14 and 15</b>
Alkene	Allylbenzene ( <b>9</b> ) 0.500 g, 4.23 mmol	1-allyl-4-methoxybenzene ( <b>10</b> ) 0.629 g, 4.24 mmol	1-allyl-2-methoxybenzene ( <b>11</b> ) 0.625 g, 4.22 mmol
Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	0.0464 g, 0.207 mmol	0.0474 g, 0.211 mmol	0.0473 g, 0.211 mmol
Al(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	0.202 g, 0.426 mmol	0.201 g, 0.424 mmol	0.201 g, 0.424 mmol
PPh <sub>3</sub>	0.222 g, 0.846 mmol	0.224 g, 0.854 mmol	0.221 g, 0.843 mmol
Xylene	0.508 g, 4.79 mmol	0.509 g, 4.79 mmol	0.505 g, 4.77 mmol
Products	<b>13, 14 and 15</b>	<b>16, 17 and 18</b>	<b>19, 20 and 21</b>

**Table S3.** Quantities of reagents for the methoxycarbonylation of 1-octene (**3**), styrene (**4**), allylbenzenes (**9** - **11**) and β-methylstyrene (**12**) under autoclave conditions at 95°C under 35 bar CO pressure in MeOH (8 ml)

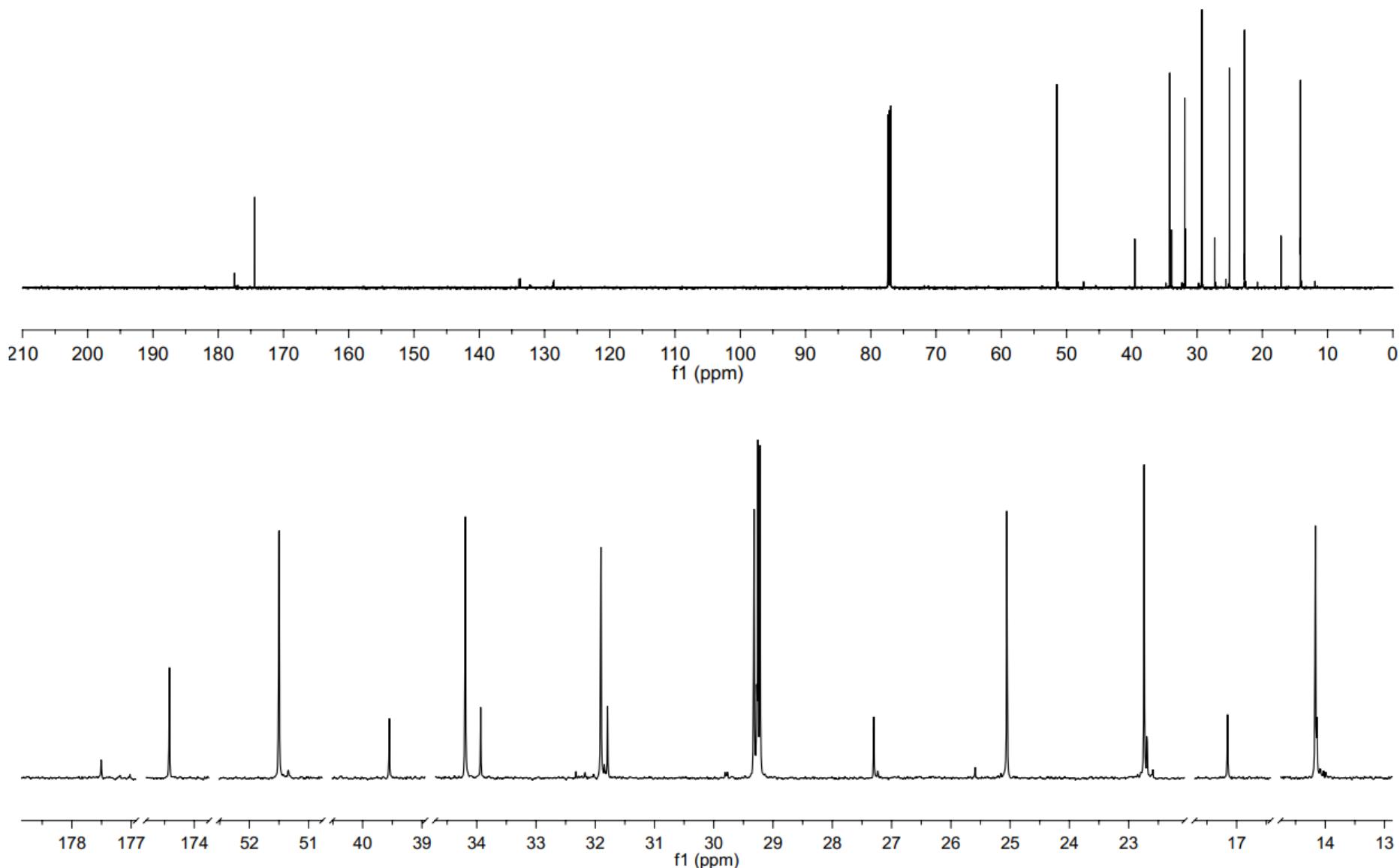
Alkene	1-Octene ( <b>3</b> )	Styrene ( <b>4</b> )	β-methylstyrene ( <b>12</b> )
	0.474 g, 4.23 mmol	0.442 g, 4.25 mmol	0.501 g, 4.24 mmol
Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	0.0476 g, 0.212 mmol	0.0476 g, 0.212 mmol	0.0481 g, 0.214 mmol
Al(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	0.201 g, 0.424 mmol	0.201 g, 0.424 mmol	0.202 g, 0.426 mmol
PPh <sub>3</sub>	0.223 g, 0.850 mmol	0.224 g, 0.854 mmol	0.226 g, 0.862 mmol
Xylene	0.504 g, 4.75 mmol	0.499 g, 4.70 mmol	0.501 g, 4.72 mmol
Products	<b>5 and 6</b>	<b>7 and 8</b>	<b>13, 14 and 15</b>
Alkene	Allylbenzene ( <b>9</b> )	1-allyl-4-methoxybenzene ( <b>10</b> )	1-allyl-2-methoxybenzene ( <b>11</b> )
	0.502 g, 4.25 mmol	0.629 g, 4.24 mmol	0.627 g, 4.23 mmol
Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	0.0496 g, 0.221 mmol	0.0478 g, 0.213 mmol	0.0477 g, 0.212 mmol
Al(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	0.202 g, 0.426 mmol	0.201 g, 0.424 mmol	0.202 g, 0.426 mmol
PPh <sub>3</sub>	0.225 g, 0.858 mmol	0.223 g, 0.850 mmol	0.224 g, 0.854 mmol
Xylene	0.502 g, 4.73 mmol	0.500 g, 4.71 mmol	0.501 g, 4.72 mmol
Products	<b>13, 14 and 15</b>	<b>16, 17 and 18</b>	<b>19, 20 and 21</b>

All <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AVANCE II AM 600 FT-spectrometer at 293 K, with deuteriochloroform (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) as solvent. Chemical shifts are reported in parts per million (ppm) with the solvent residual resonance at 7.26 ppm for proton spectra and 77.2 ppm for carbon spectra as reference signal.

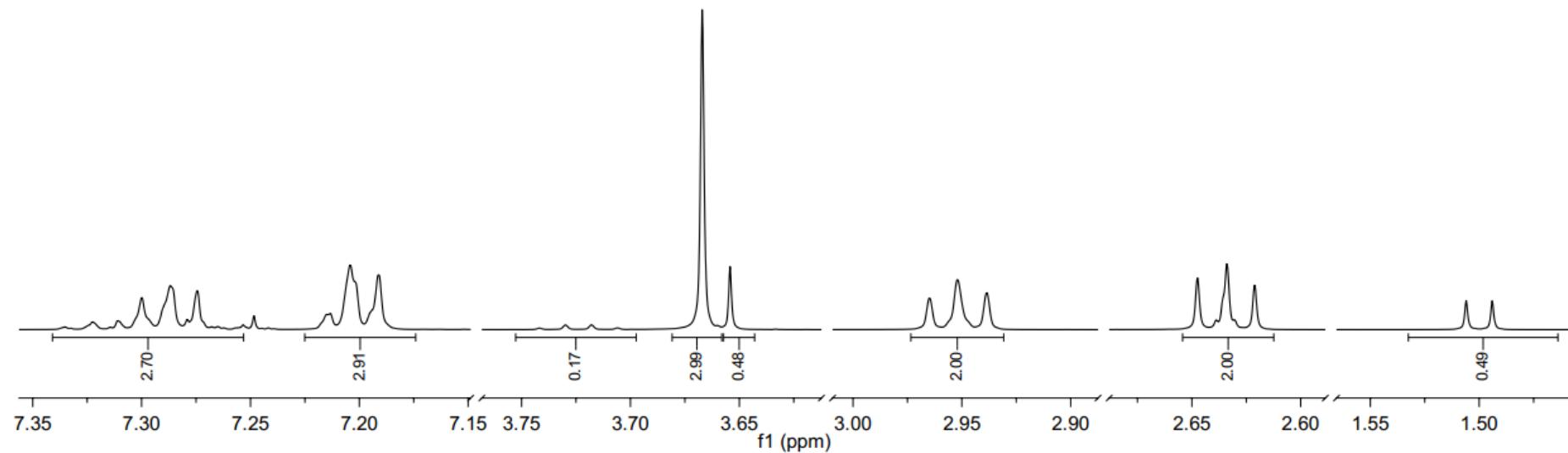
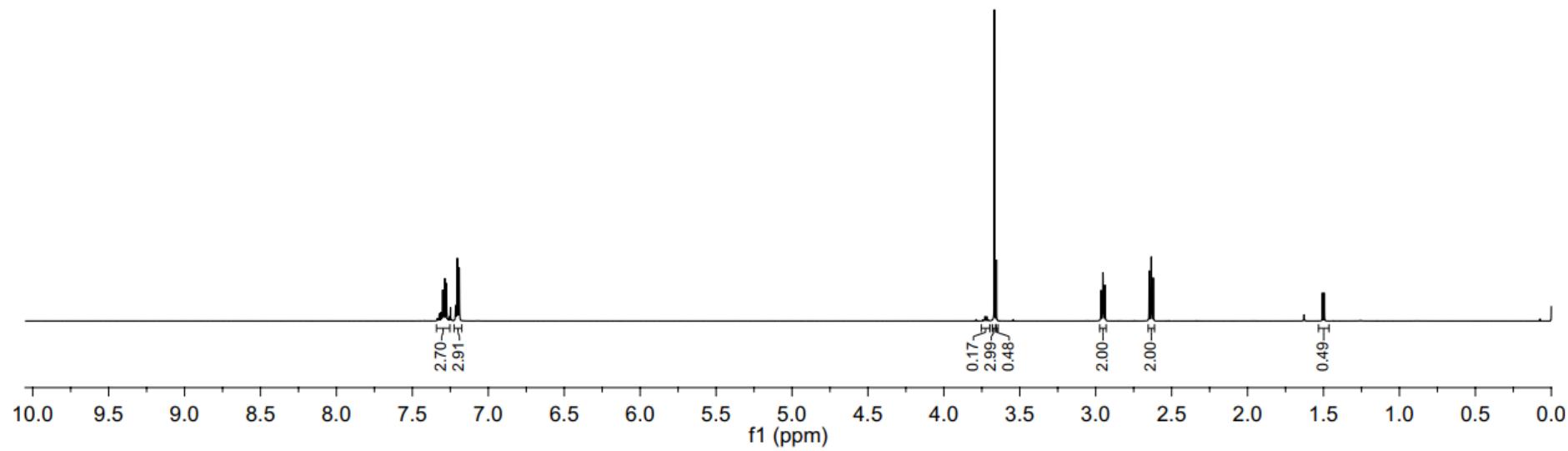
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): Methyl nonanoate (**5**) and methyl 2-methyloctanoate (**6**)



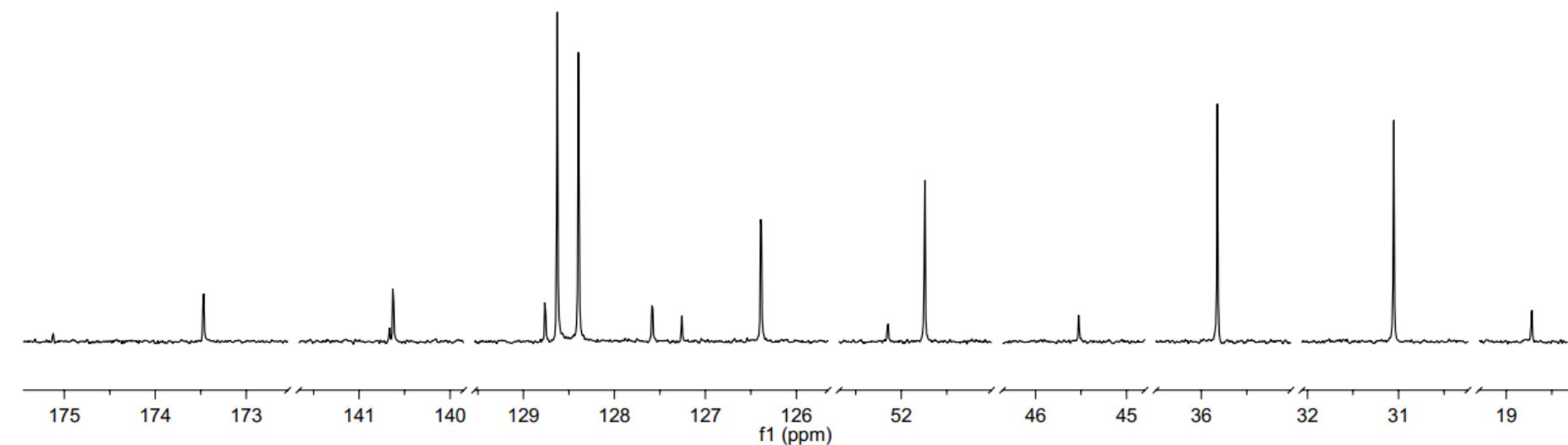
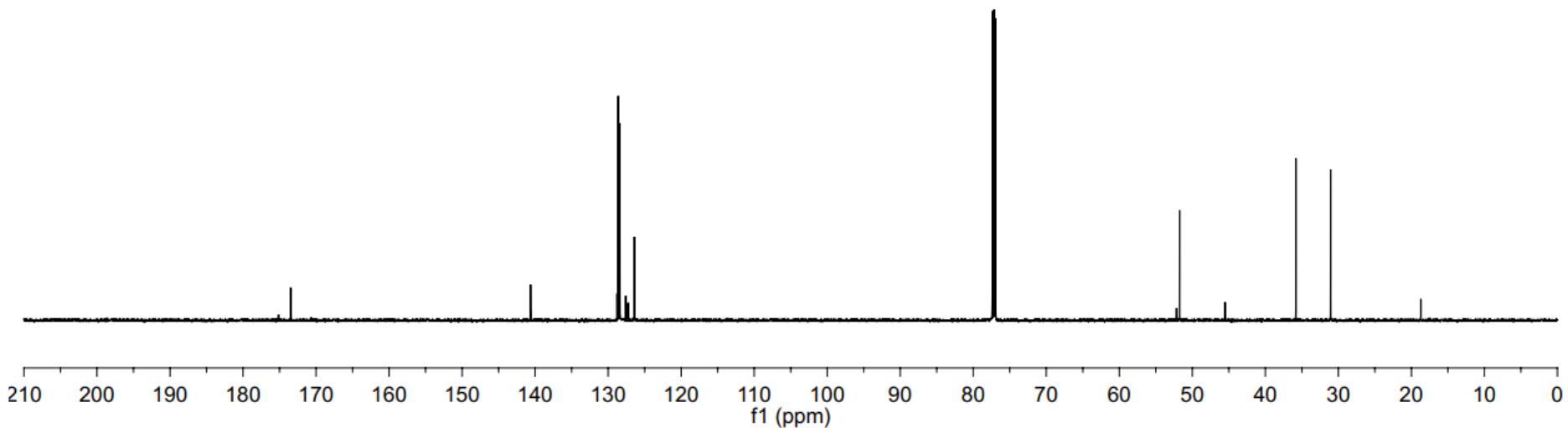
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): Methyl nonanoate (**5**) and methyl 2-methyloctanoate (**6**)



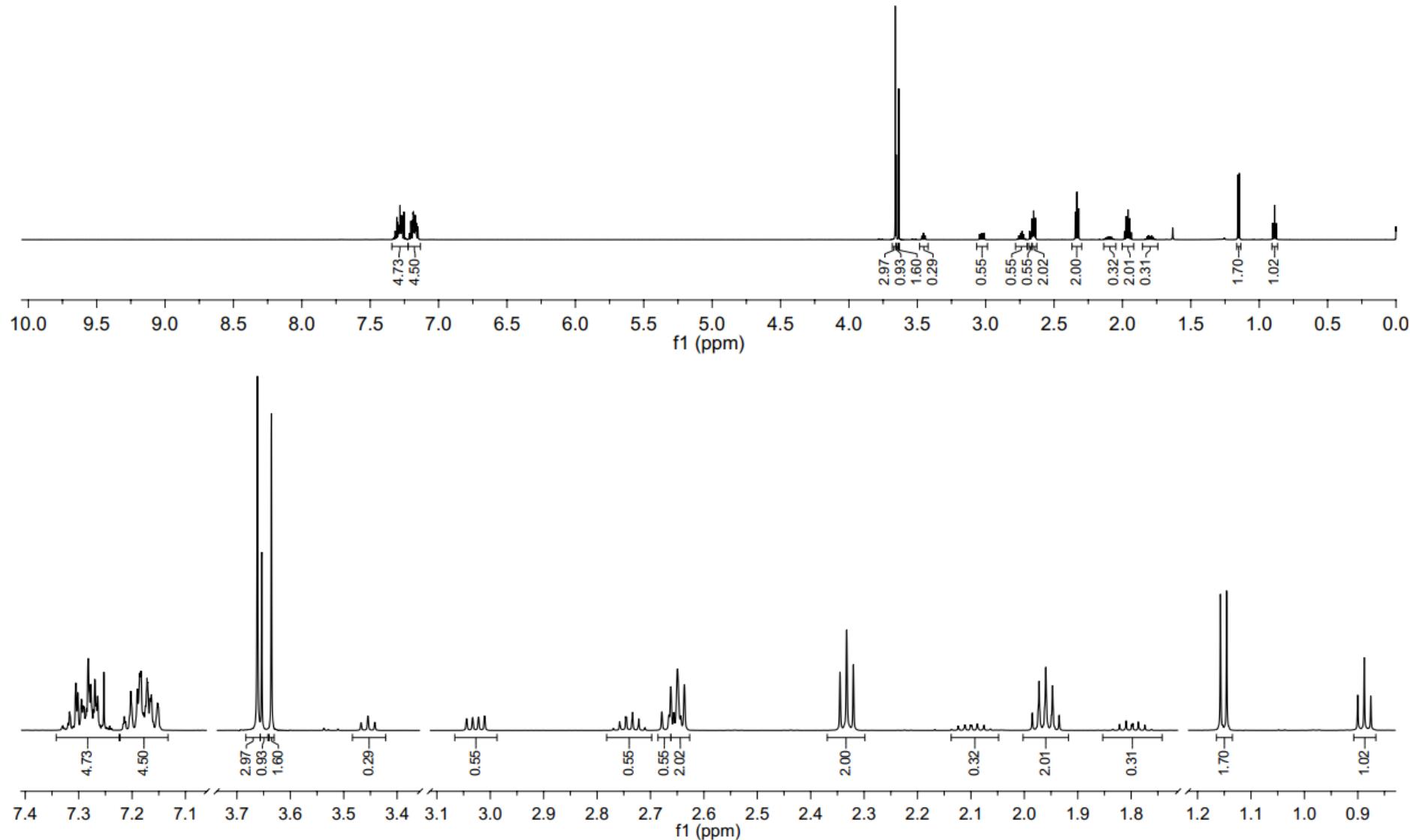
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): Methyl 3-phenylpropanoate (**7**) and methyl 2-phenylpropanoate (**8**)



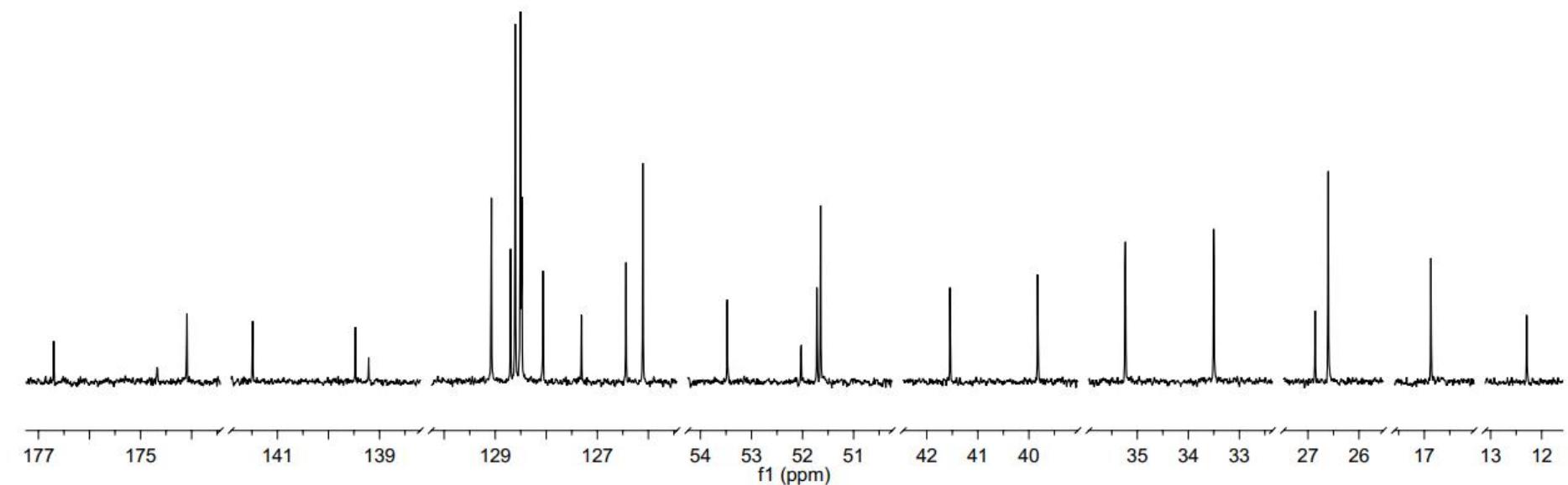
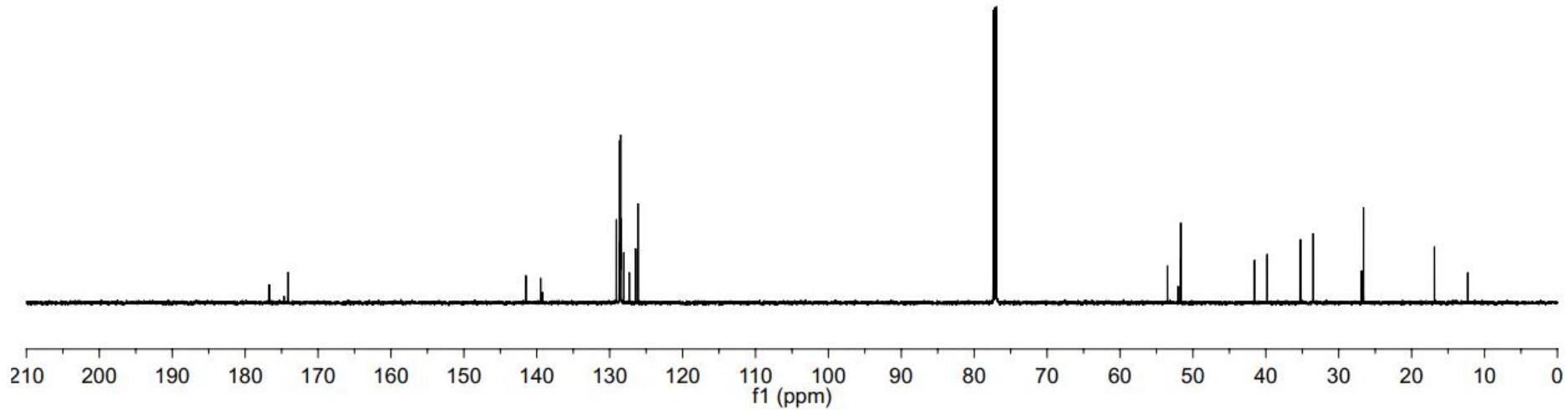
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): Methyl 3-phenylpropanoate (**7**) and methyl 2-phenylpropanoate (**8**)



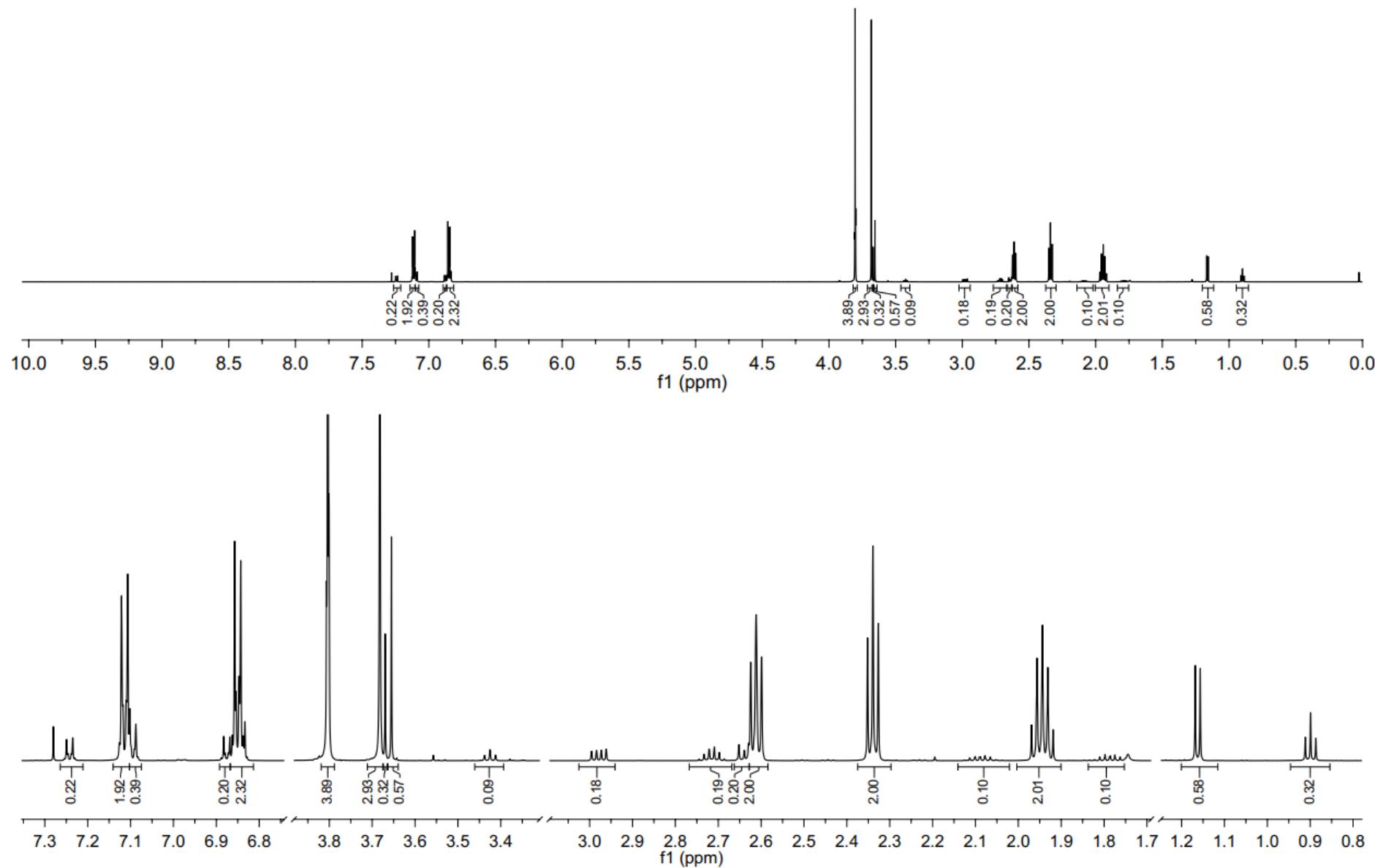
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): Methyl 4-phenylbutanoate (**13**), methyl 2-methyl-3-phenylpropanoate (**14**) and methyl 2-phenylbutanoate (**15**)



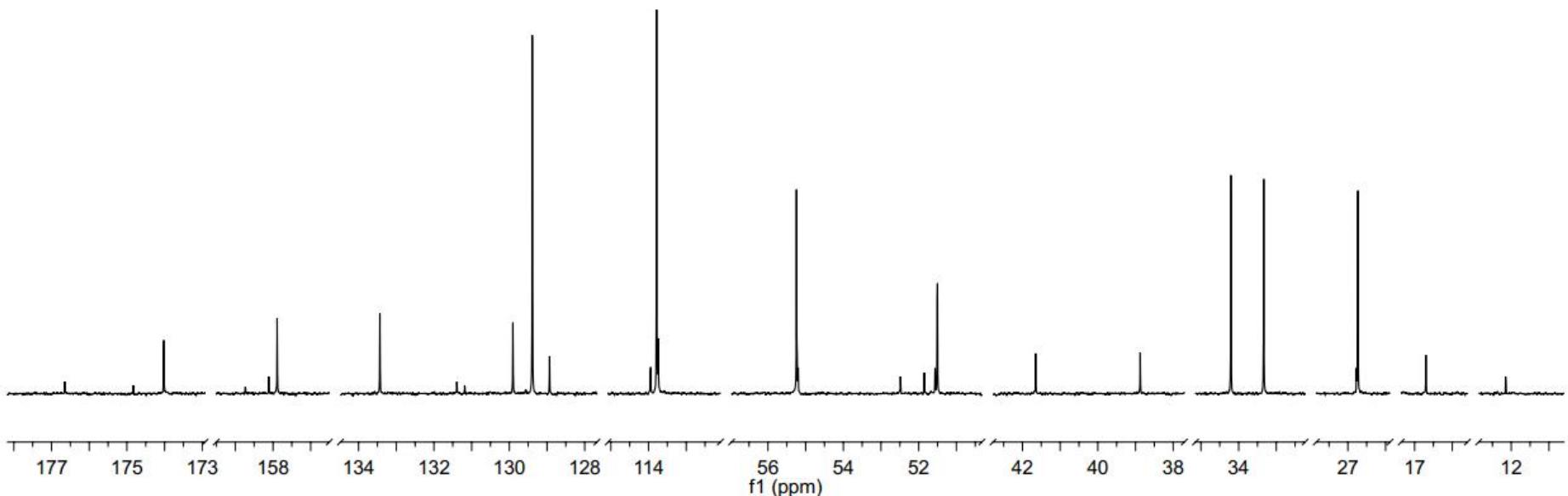
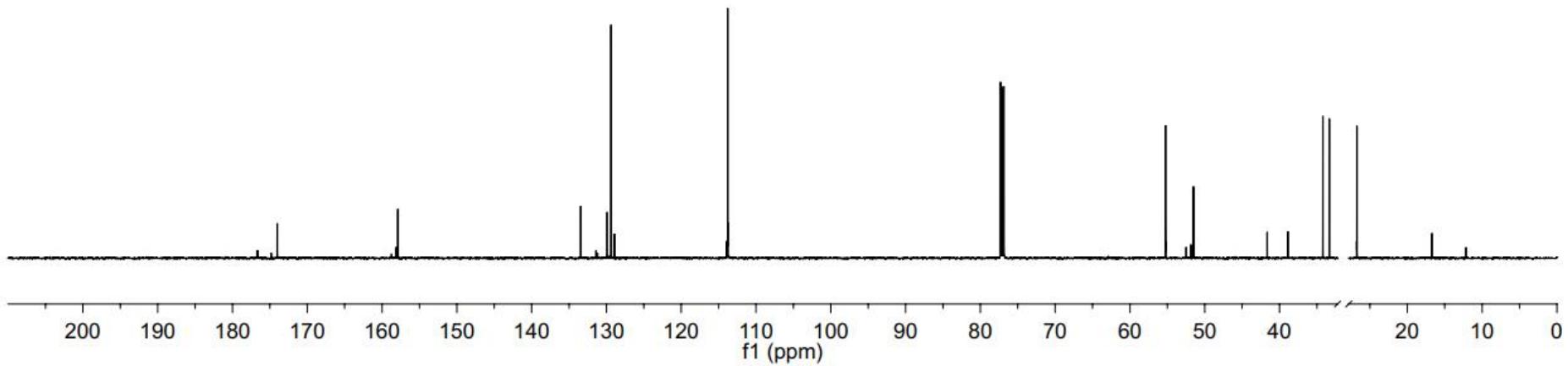
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): Methyl 4-phenylbutanoate (**13**), methyl 2-methyl-3-phenylpropanoate (**14**) and methyl 2-phenylbutanoate (**15**)



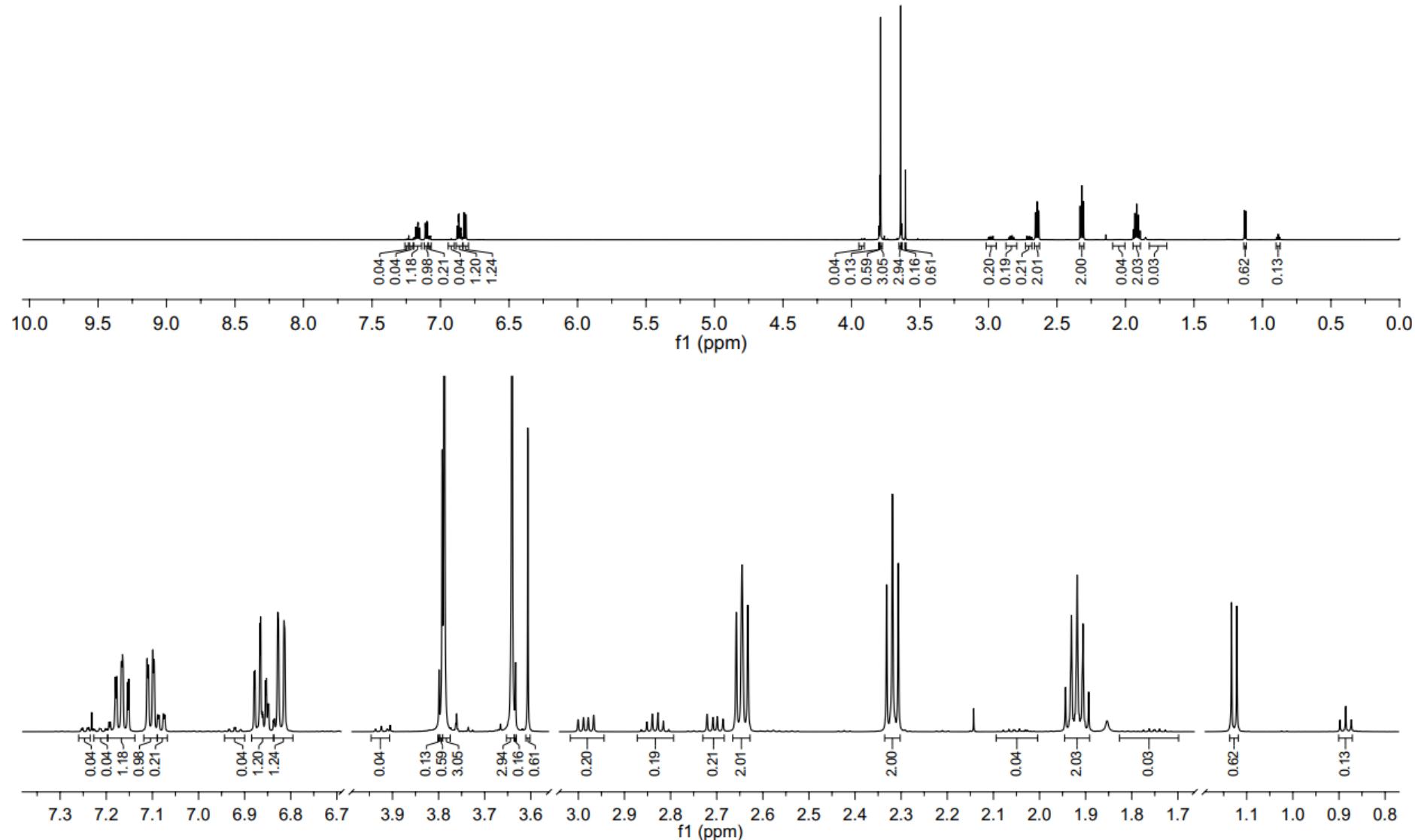
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): Methyl 4-(4'-methoxyphenyl)butanoate (**16**), methyl 3-(4'-methoxyphenyl)-2-methylpropanoate (**17**) and methyl 2-(4'-methoxyphenyl)butanoate (**18**)



<sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): Methyl 4-(4'-methoxyphenyl)butanoate (**16**), methyl 3-(4'-methoxyphenyl)-2-methylpropanoate (**17**) and methyl 2-(4'-methoxyphenyl)butanoate (**18**)



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): Methyl 4-(2'-methoxyphenyl)butanoate (**19**), methyl 3-(2'-methoxyphenyl)-2-methylpropanoate (**20**) and methyl 2-(2'-methoxyphenyl)butanoate (**21**)



<sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): Methyl 4-(2'-methoxyphenyl)butanoate (**19**), methyl 3-(2'-methoxyphenyl)-2-methylpropanoate (**20**) and methyl 2-(2'-methoxyphenyl)butanoate (**21**)

