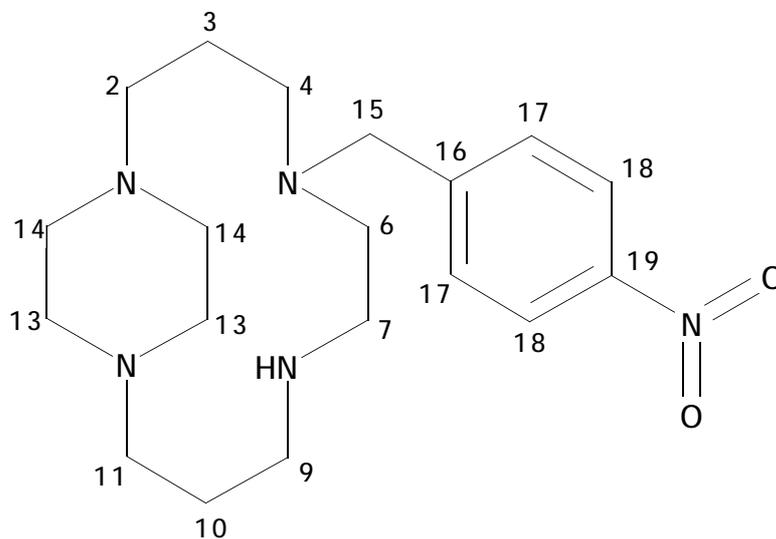


# Unsymmetrically substituted side-bridged cyclam derivatives and their Cu(II) and Zn(II) complexes

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## Electronic Supplementary Information

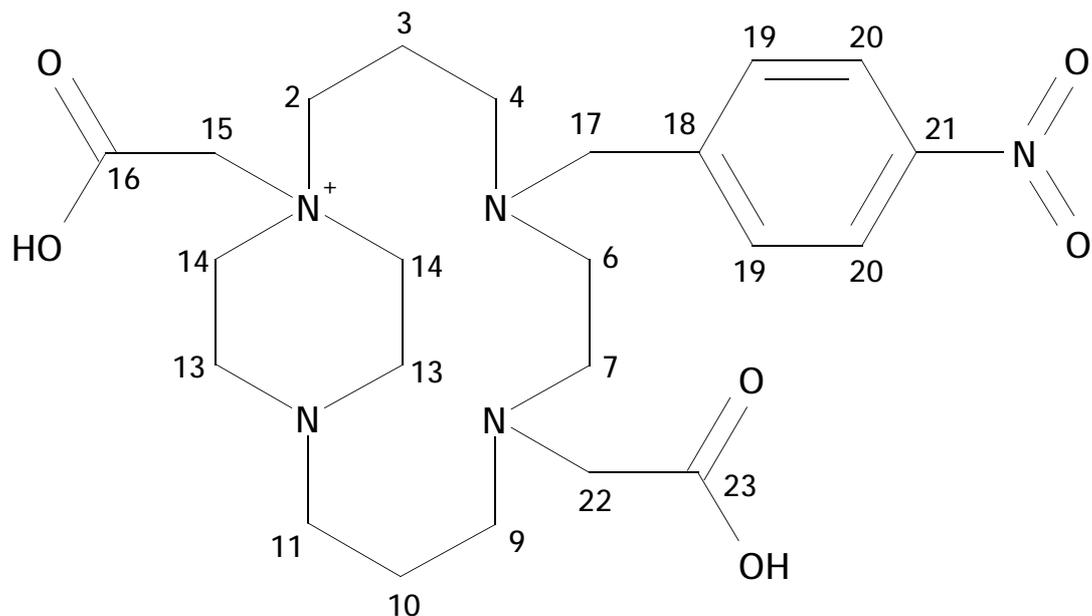
S1 – Numbering scheme of **3** for NMR signals assignment



S1a –  $^{13}\text{C}$  and  $^1\text{H}$  NMR signals assignment based on HSQC/HMBC/H-H COSY/NOESY 2D spectra

Assignment	$^{13}\text{C}$	$^1\text{H}$
2	54.65	2.56
3	23.63	1.69
4	54.79	2.89
6	48.33	2.53
7	55.70	2.62
9	51.22	2.66
10	26.10	1.76
11	56.95	2.64
13	50.10	2.26, 3.02
14	48.09	2.58, 3.18
15	57.58	3.71
16	147.02	---
17	129.70	7.45
18	123.29	8.18
19	146.89	---

S2 – Numbering scheme of 4<sup>+</sup> for NMR signals assignment



S2a – <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>1</sup>H NMR signals assignment based on HSQC/HMBC 2D spectra

Assignment	<sup>13</sup> C	<sup>1</sup> H
2	56.64	4.15
3	20.04	2.40
4	52.26	3.33
6	52.74	3.38
7	54.24	3.36
9	56.14	3.25
10	22.02	2.26
11	55.13	3.63
13	45.88	3.90
14	56.34	4.27
15	63.17	4.46
16	168.46	---
17	58.86	4.44
18	139.45	---
19	134.94	7.73
20	126.60	8.33
21	150.67	---
22	57.20	3.78
23	176.50	---

S3 –  $^1\text{H}$ - $^1\text{H}$ -COSY spectra of **3** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$

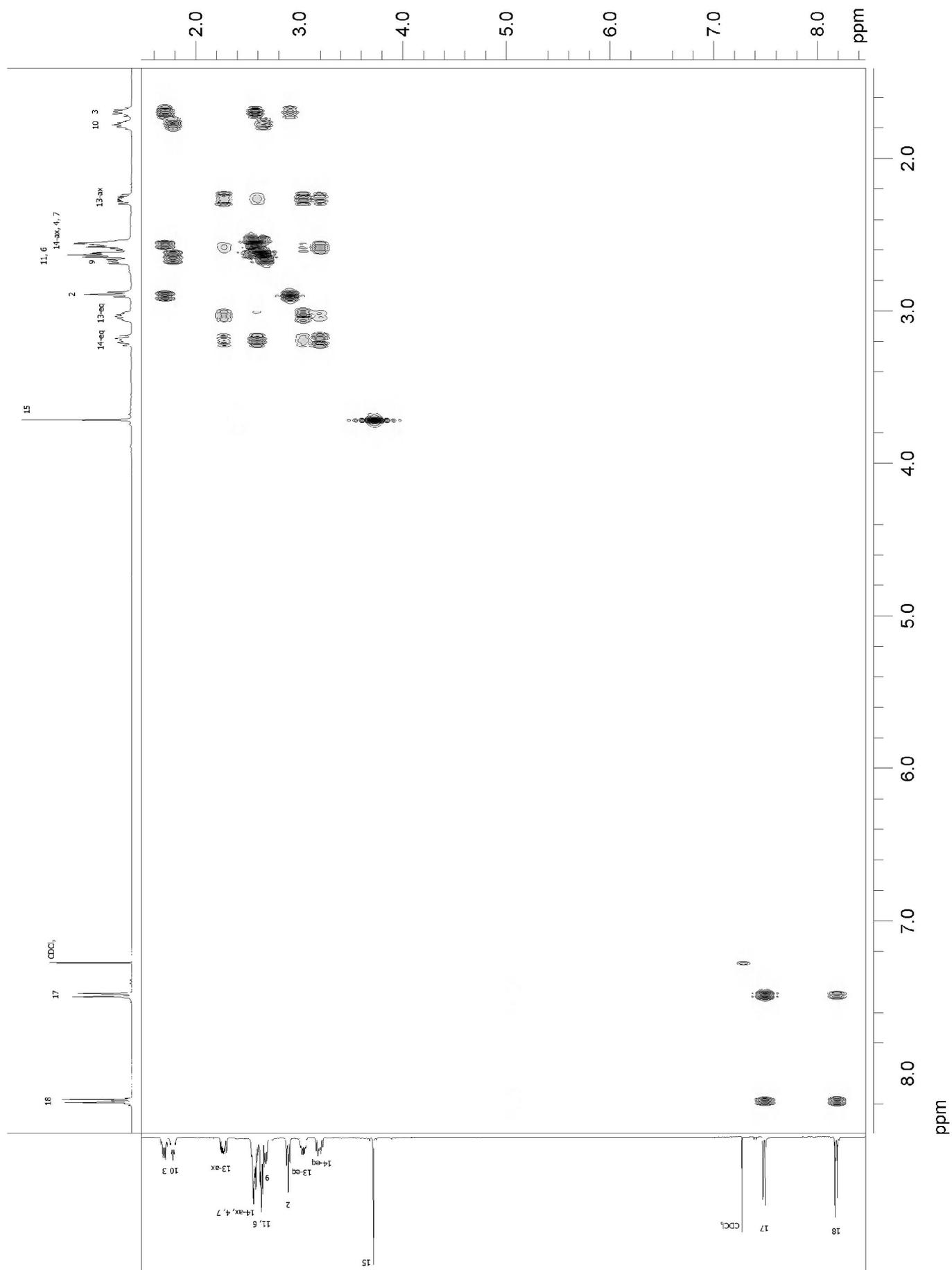
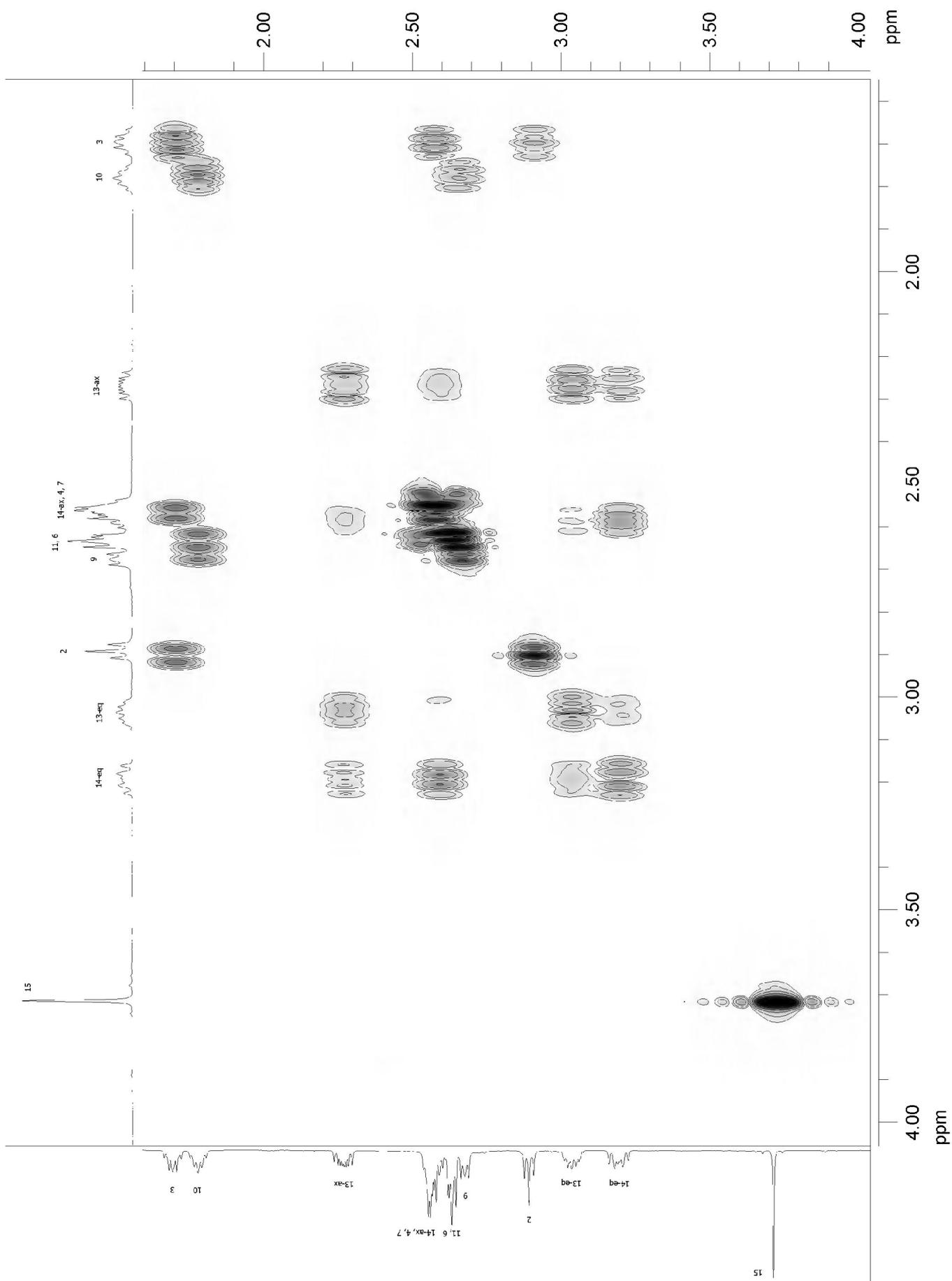
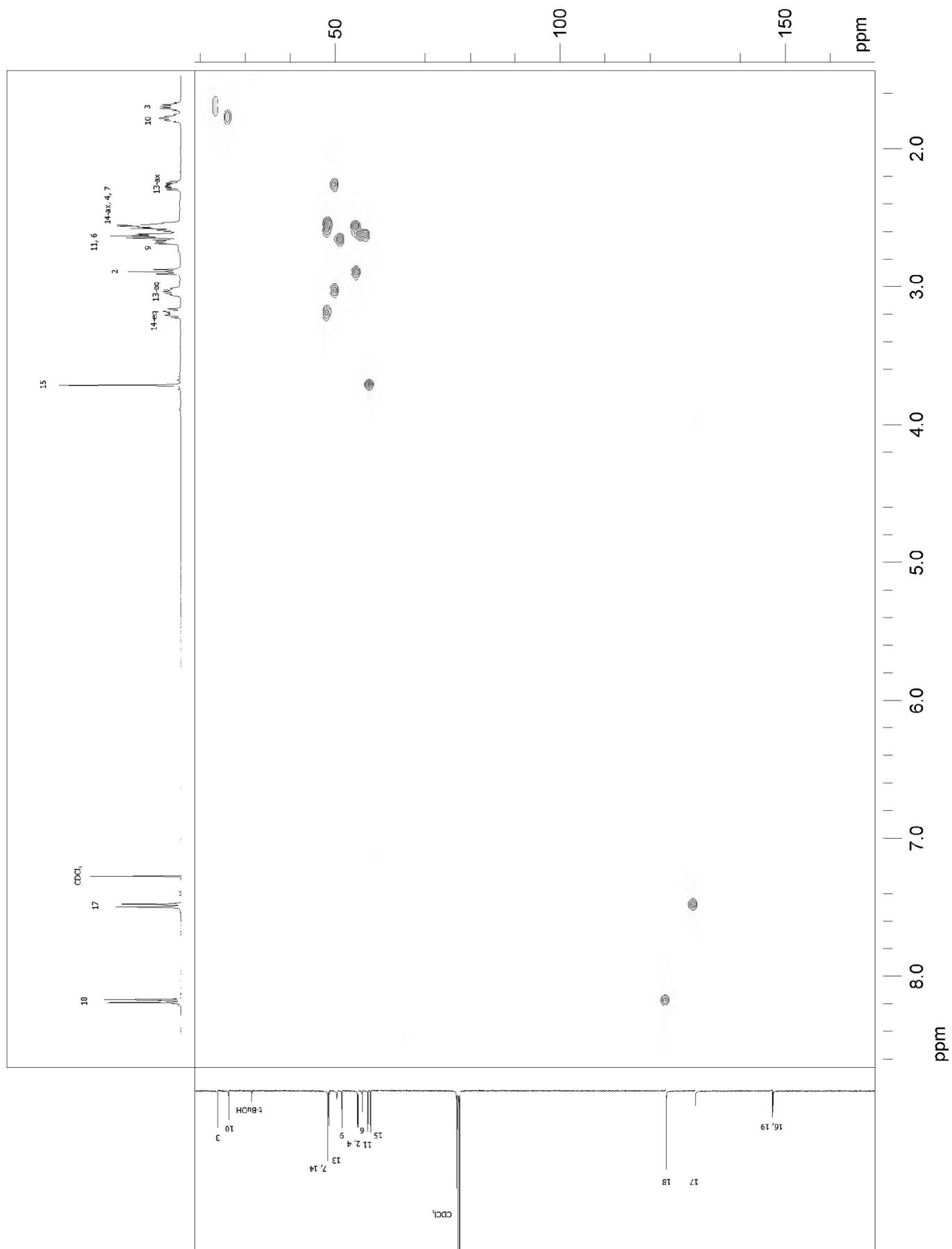


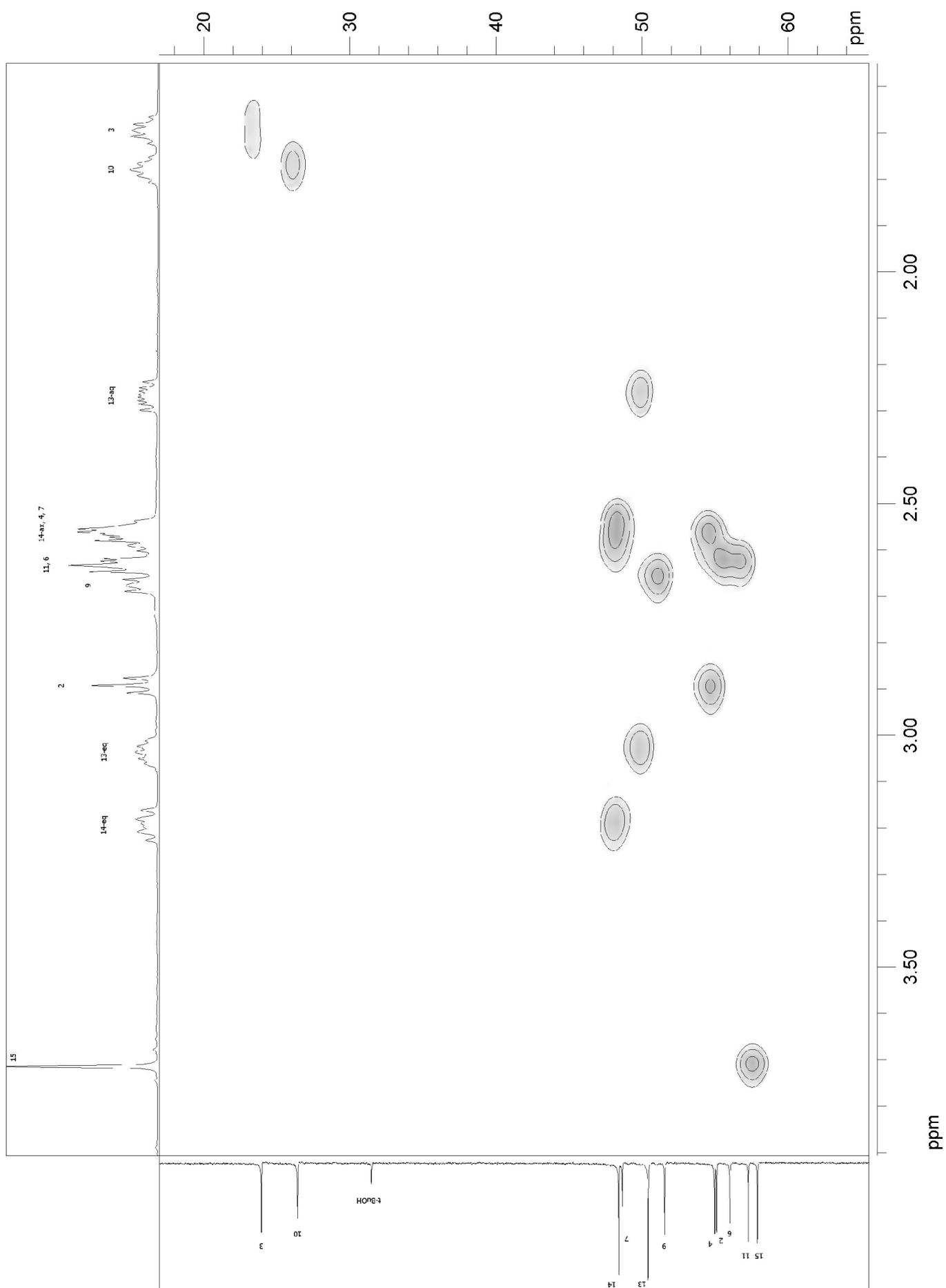
Fig.S4 – Detail of aliphatic region in  $^1\text{H}$ - $^1\text{H}$  COSY spectra of **3** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$



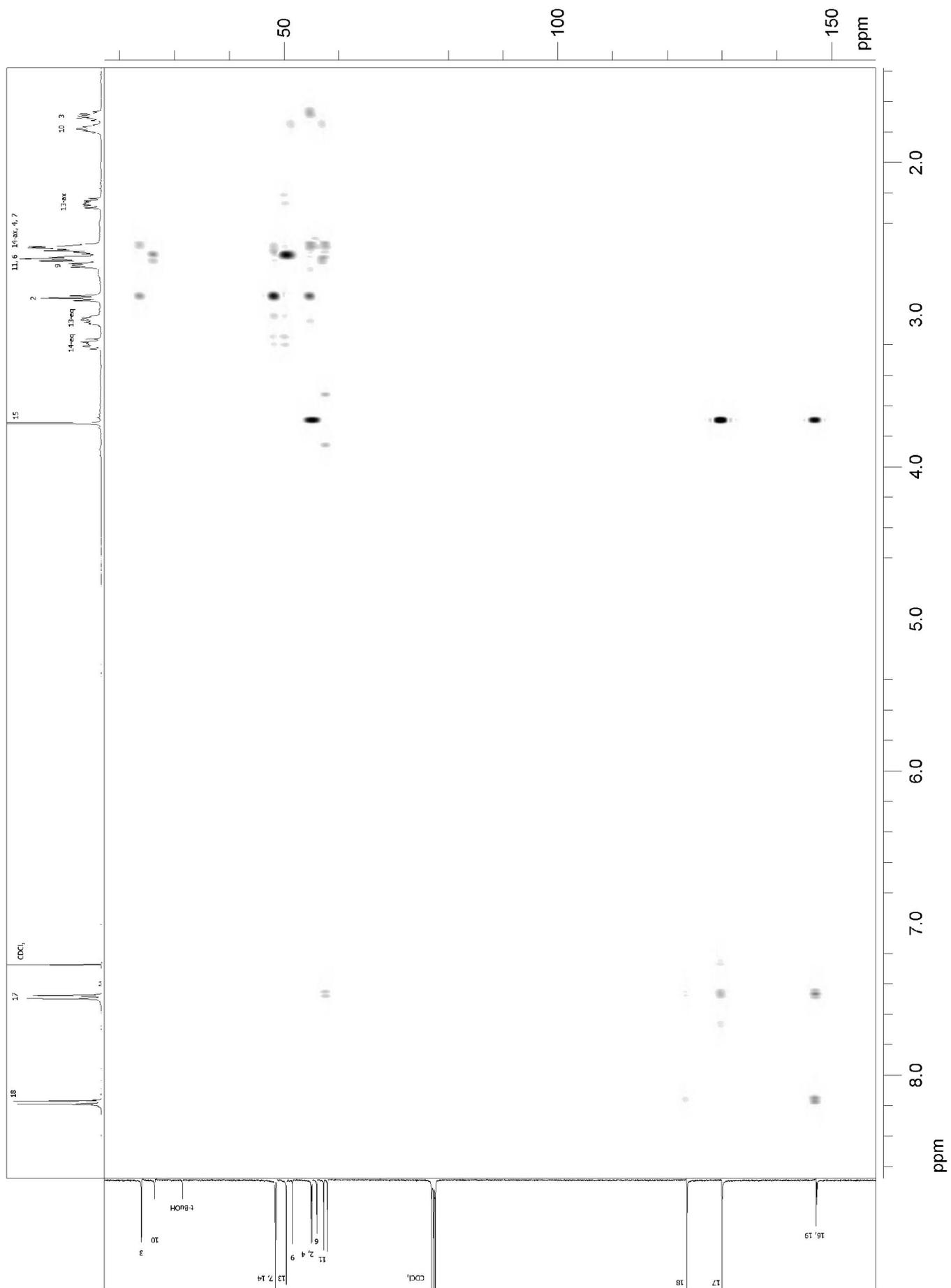
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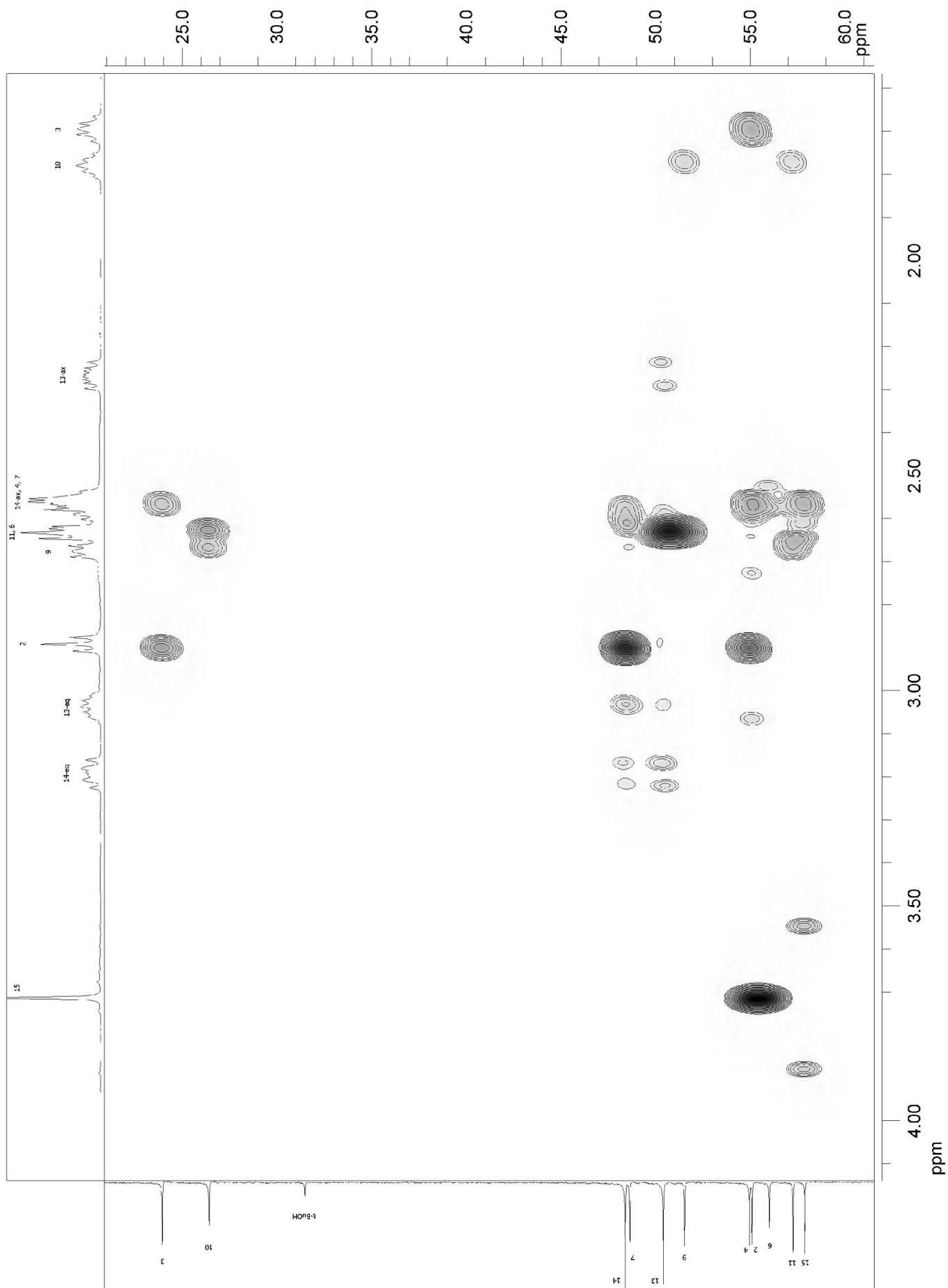
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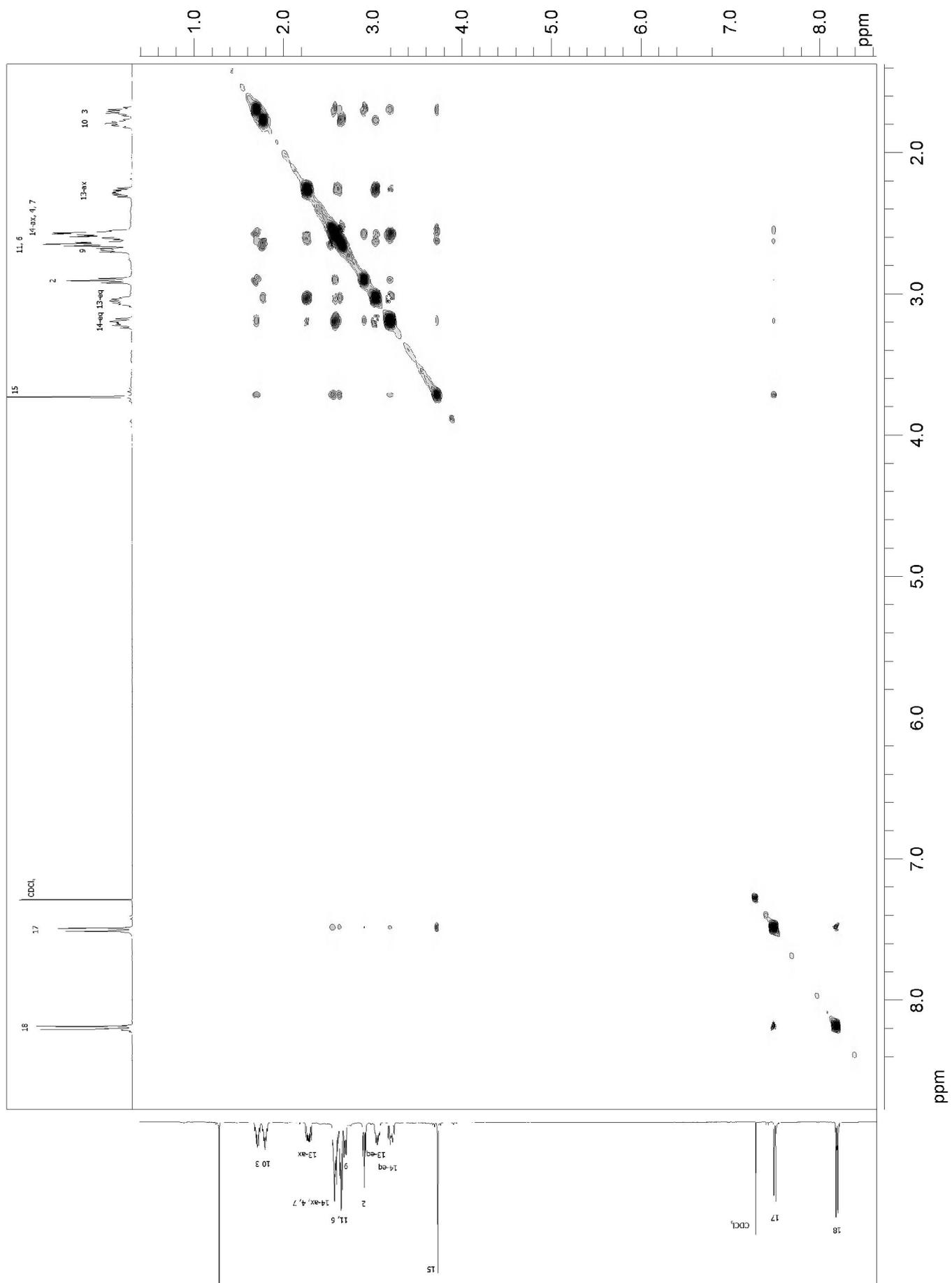
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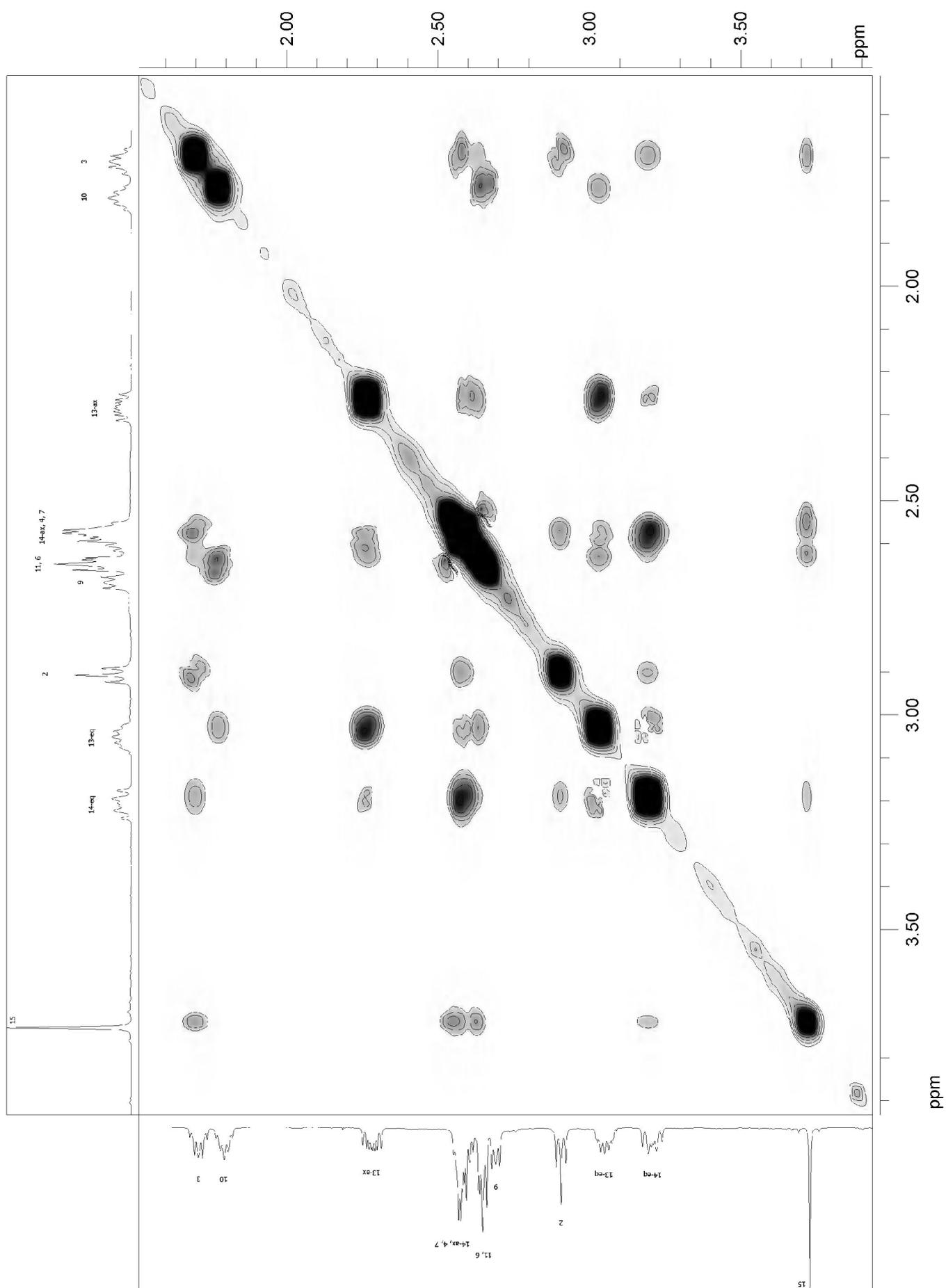
S8 – Detail of aliphatic region in gHMBC of **3** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



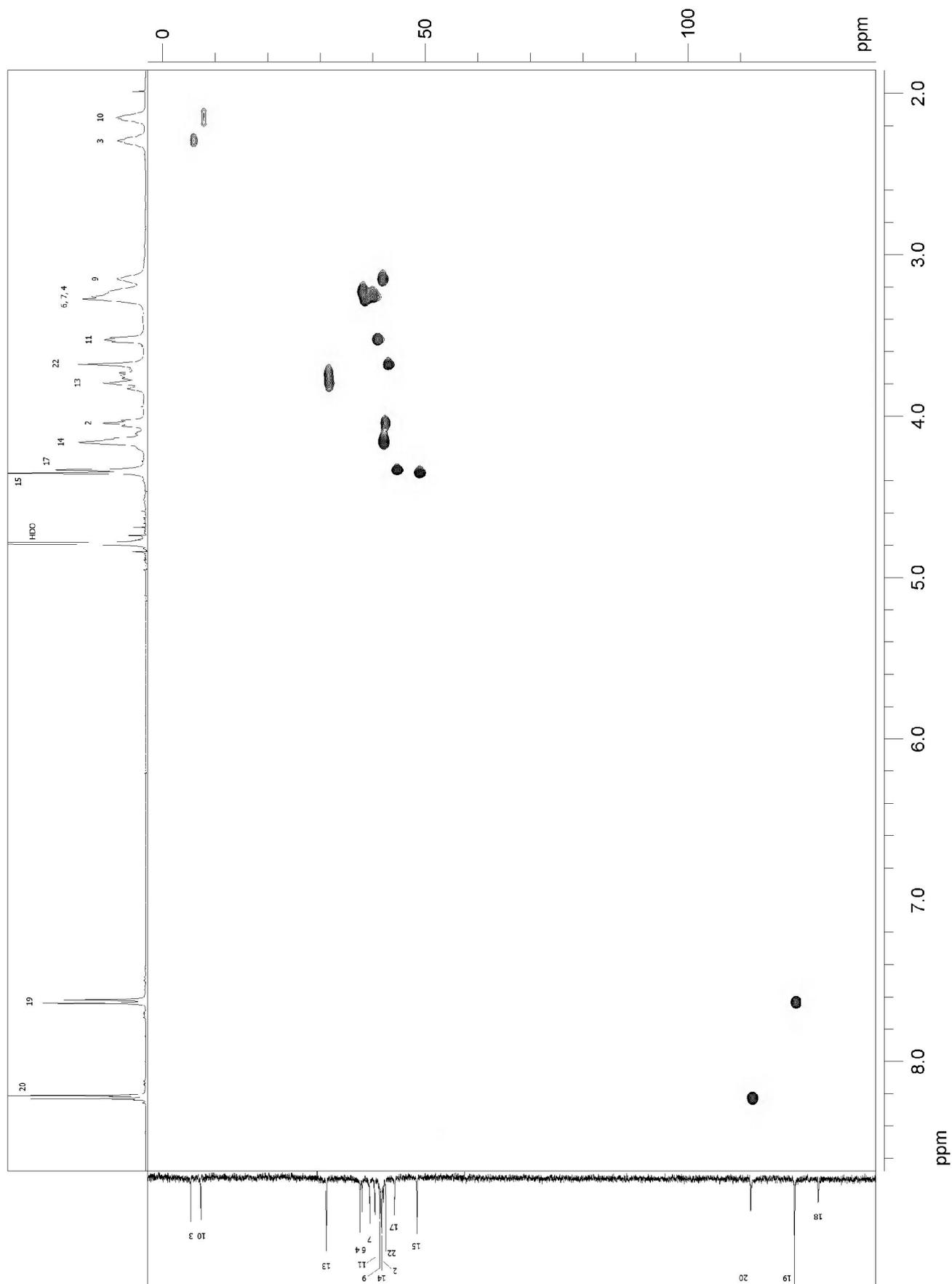
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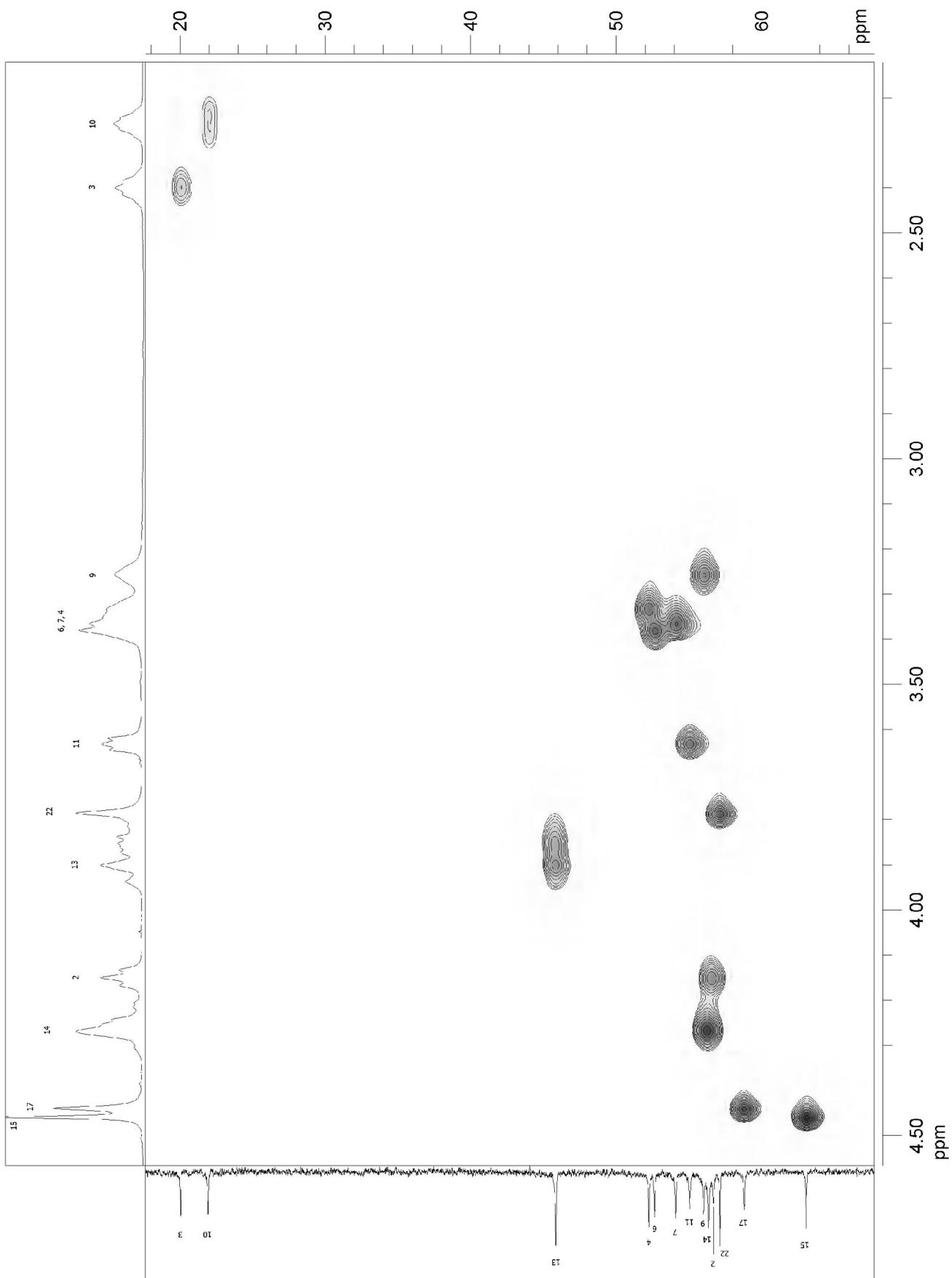
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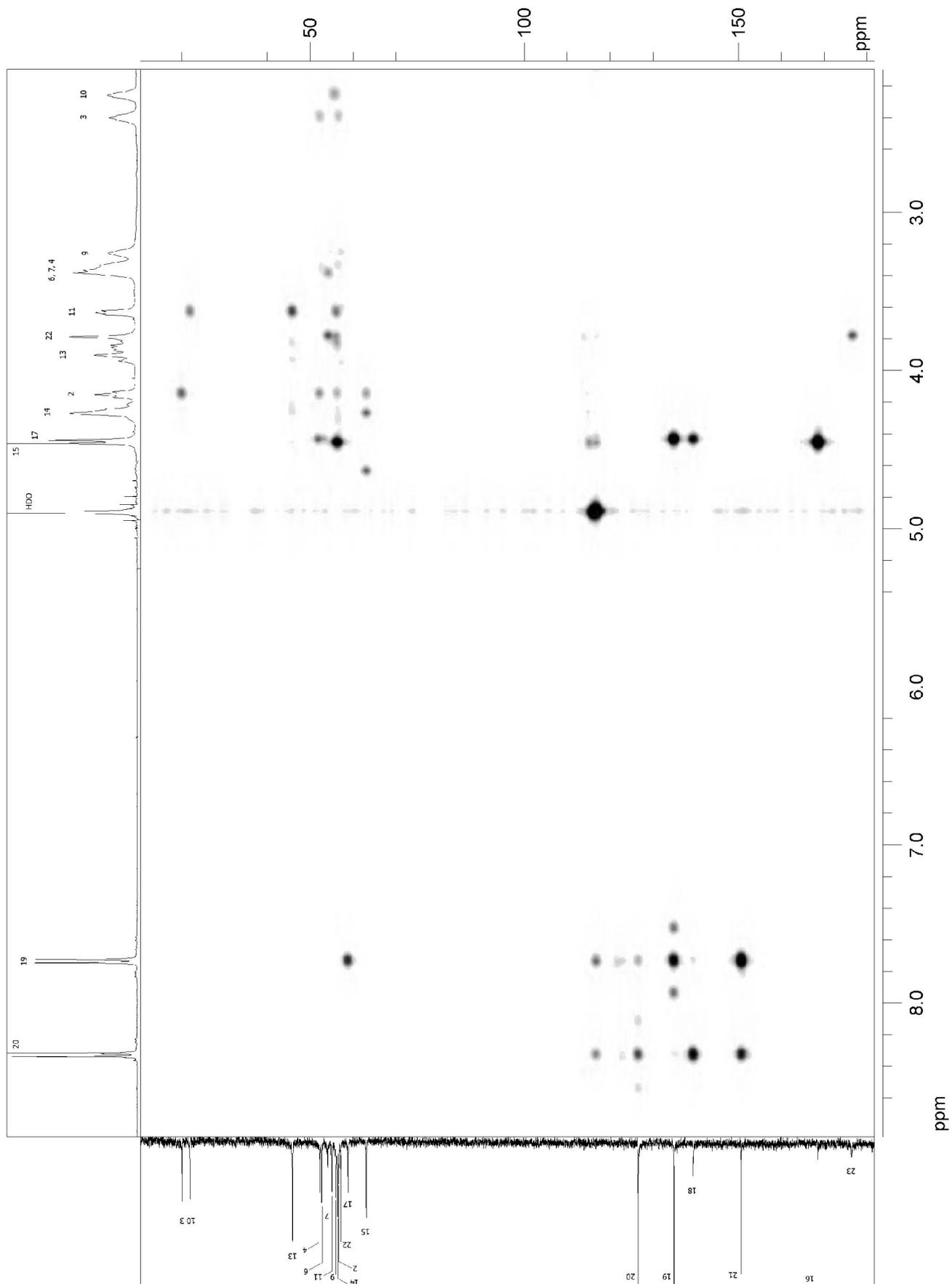
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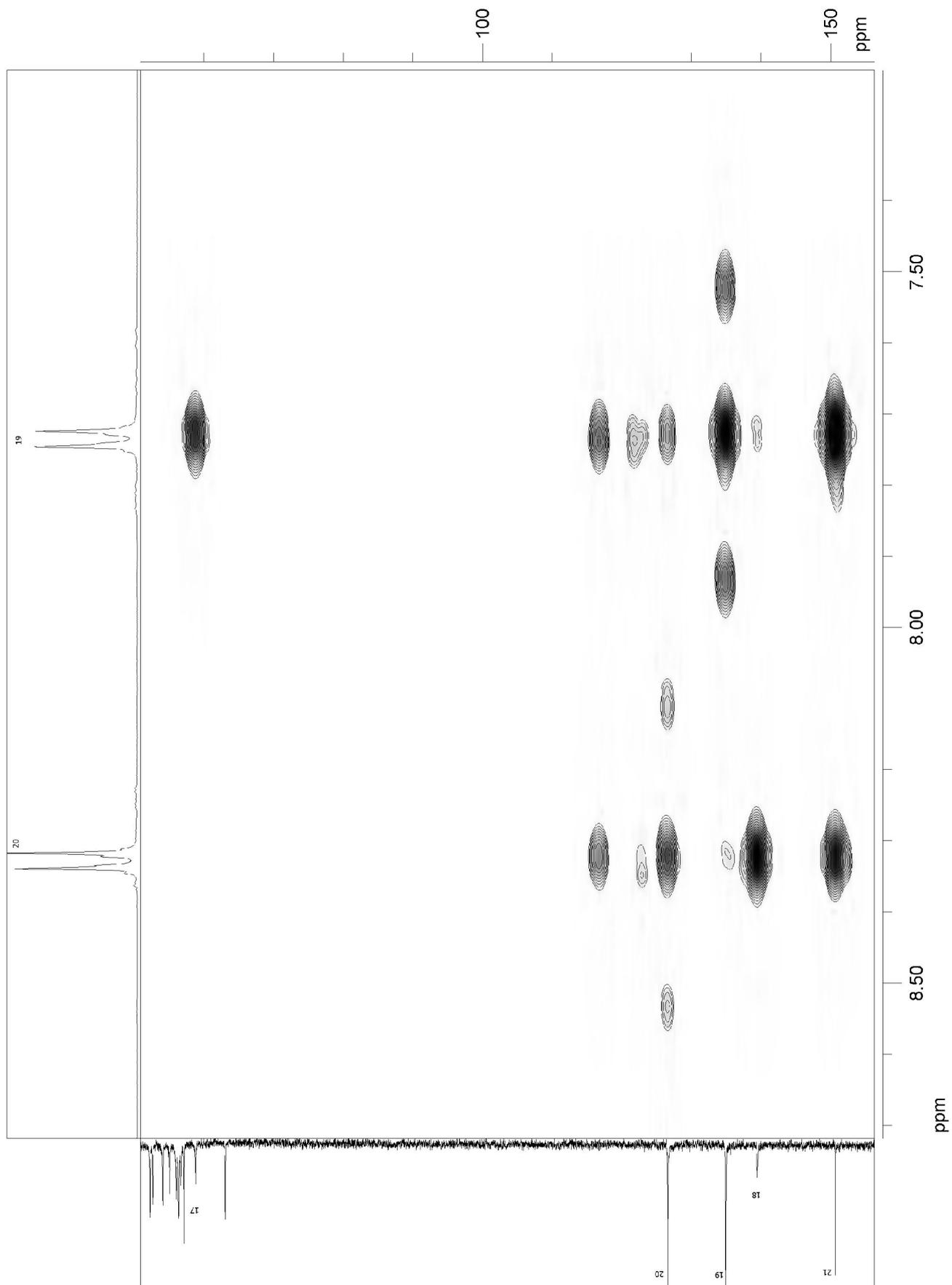
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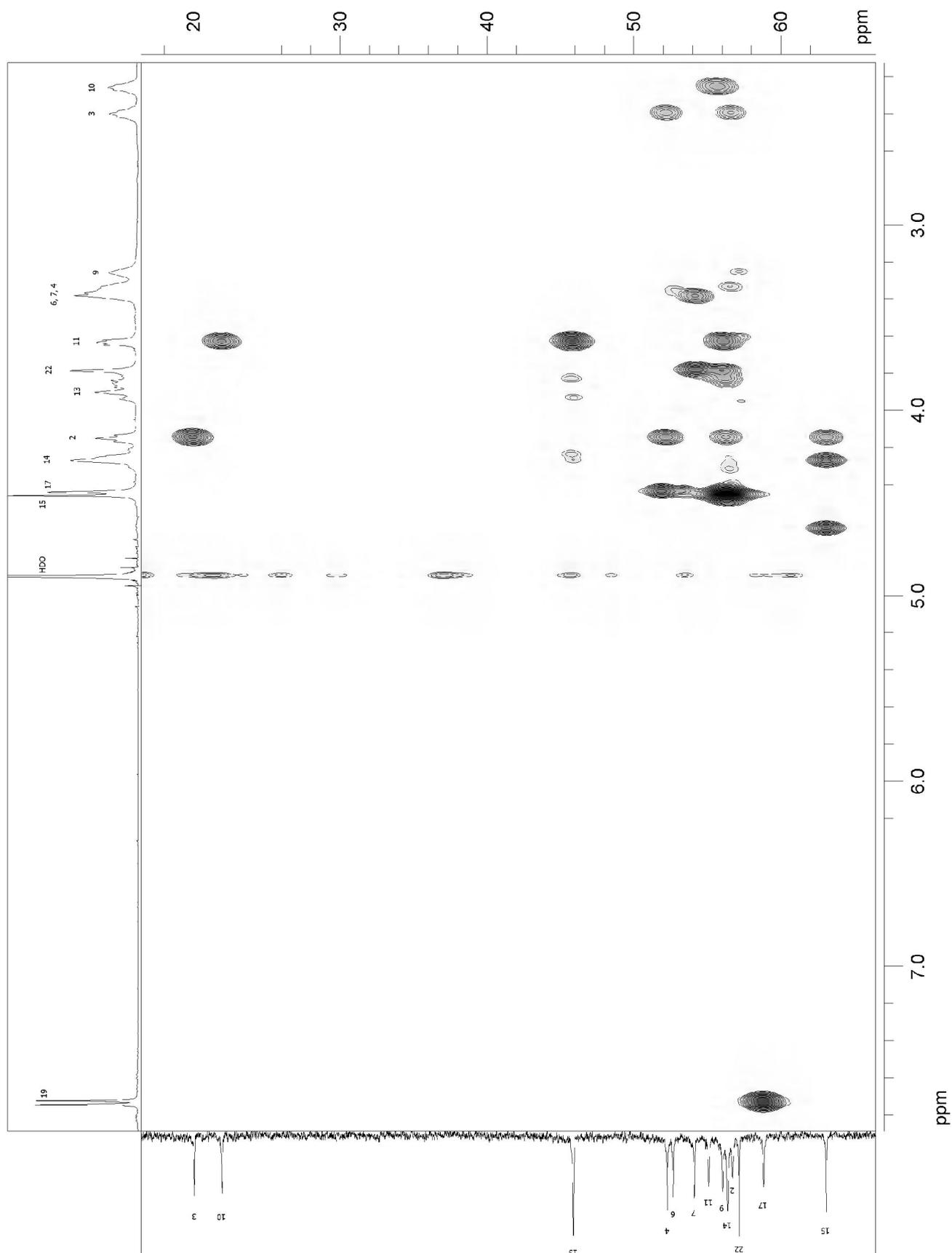
S13 – gHMBC spectra of 4 in D<sub>2</sub>O



S14 – Detail of aromatic region in gHMBC spectra of **4** in D<sub>2</sub>O



S15 – Detail of aliphatic region in gHMBC spectra of **4** in D<sub>2</sub>O

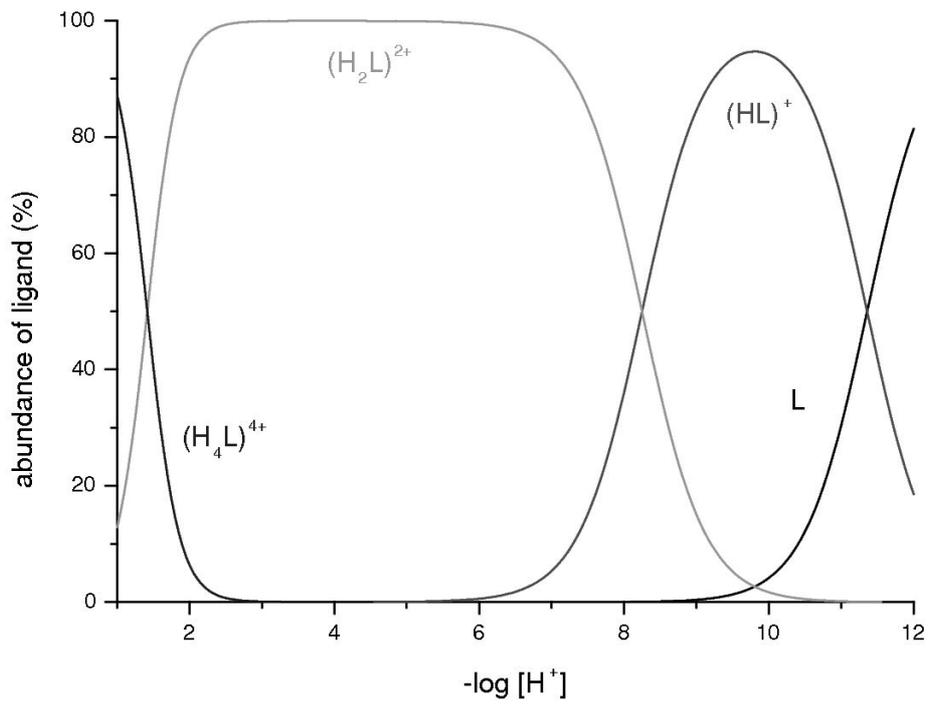


S16 X-ray crystal data collection and refinement details for [Cu(3)Br]PF<sub>6</sub> and 4<sup>Br</sup>·2.5H<sub>2</sub>O

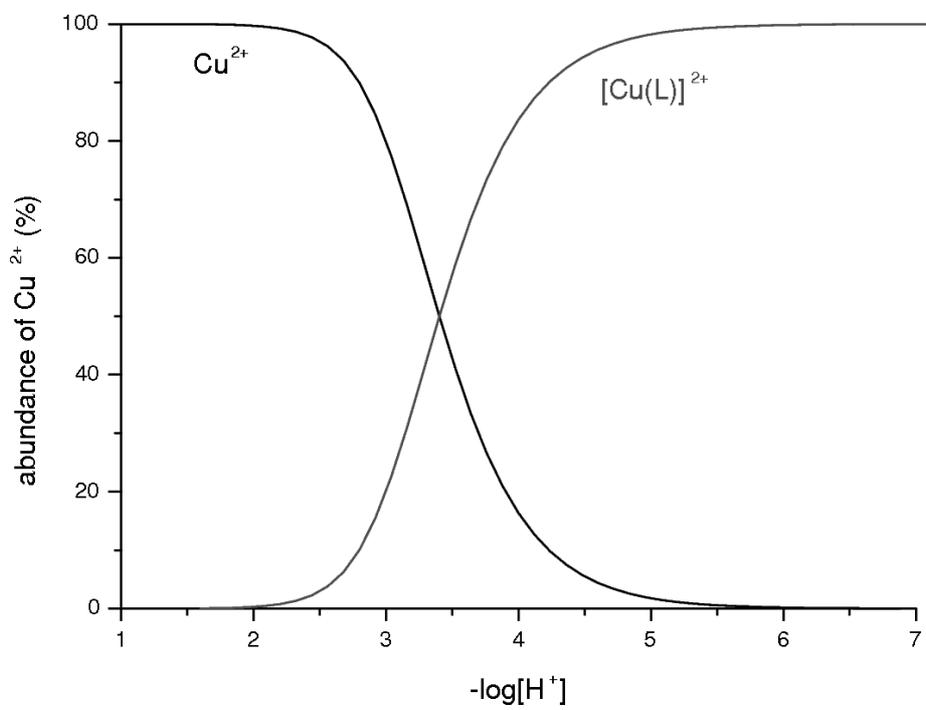
	[Cu(3)Br][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	4 <sup>Br</sup> ·2.5H <sub>2</sub> O
Empirical formula	C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>31</sub> CuN <sub>5</sub> O <sub>2</sub> BrF <sub>6</sub> P	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>39</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>6.5</sub> Br
<i>fw</i>	649.91	545.48
Crystal shape	plate	prism
Color	blue	colourless
Crystal system	triclinic	monoclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> $\bar{1}$ (No. 2)	<i>C</i> 2/c (No. 15)
<i>a</i> (Å)	6.9960(4)	19.4788(4)
<i>b</i> (Å)	10.2570(8)	19.7272(4)
<i>c</i> (Å)	17.8780(15)	13.7214(3)
$\alpha$ (deg)	73.592(3)	90
$\beta$ (deg)	84.539(5)	97.7160(11)
$\gamma$ (deg)	80.636(4)	90
<i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )	1212.60(16)	5224.88(19)
<i>Z</i>	2	8
$\rho_{\text{calc}}$ (g·cm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.780	1.387
<i>T</i> (K)	150(1)	150(1)
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	2.688	1.619
<i>F</i> (000)	658	2296
$\theta$ range of data collection (deg)	2.09–27.47	3.44–27.50
Index ranges, <i>hkl</i>	–8 to 7, –13 to 13, –23 to 23	–25 to 25, –25 to 25, –17 to 17
Reflections measured	5090	5978
Reflections observed [ <i>I</i> > 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> )]	3452	4839
Data, restraints, parameters	5090, 0, 327	5978, 0, 311
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.993	1.045
Wavelength (Å)	0.71073	0.71073
<i>R</i> , <i>R'</i> [ <i>I</i> > 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> )] <sup>†</sup>	0.2134, 0.1759	0.0736, 0.0590
<i>wR</i> , <i>wR'</i> [ <i>I</i> ≥ 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> )] <sup>†</sup>	0.5043, 0.4889	0.1828, 0.1680
Maximum shift/esd	0.004	0.000
$\Delta\rho_{\text{max, min}}$ (e·Å <sup>-3</sup> )	2.415, –2.128	0.907, –0.935

$$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (AP)^2 + BP], P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3; R, R' = \sum|F_o - F_c|/\sum|F_c|, wR, wR' = [\sum w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2/\sum w(F_o^2)^2]^{1/2}$$

S17 Distribution of species in solutions† of **3**

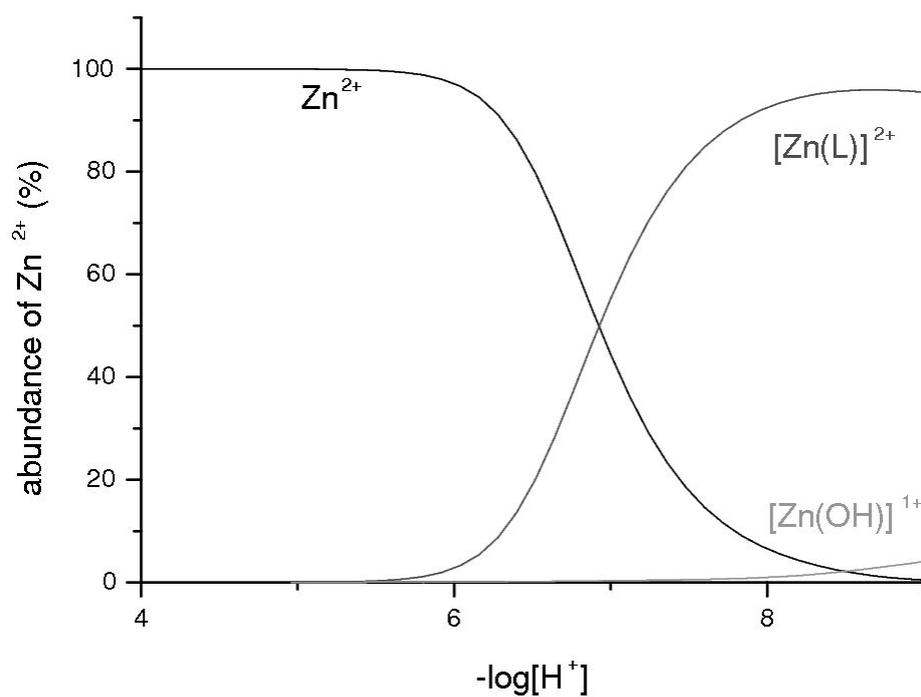


S18 Distribution of species in system  $Cu^{II} / 3^\dagger$

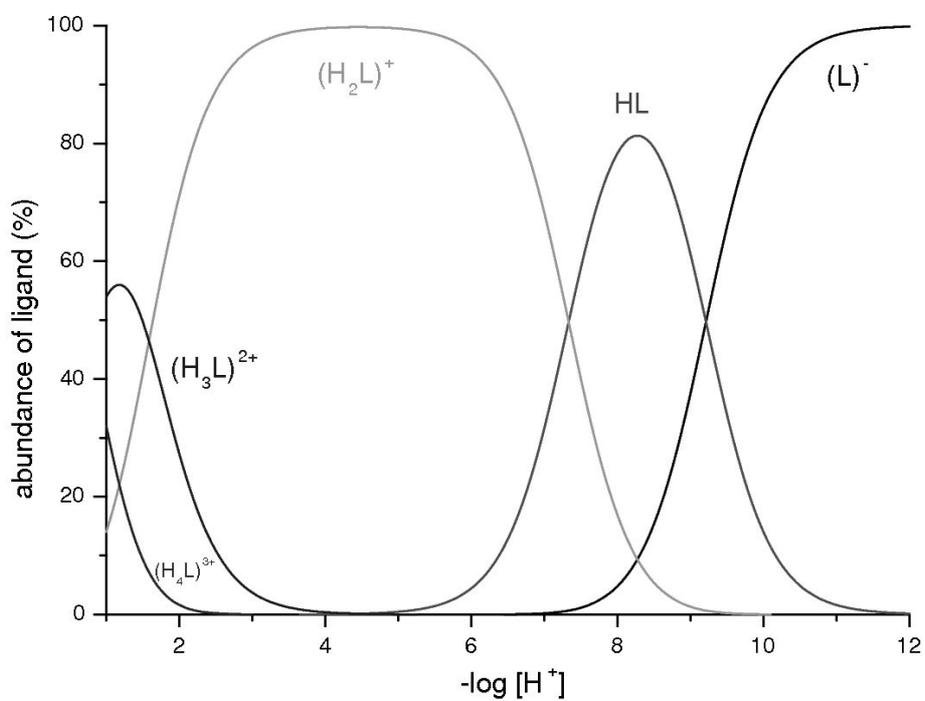


† 0.1 M aq.  $KNO_3$ , 25 °C

S19 Distribution of species in system  $\text{Zn}^{\text{II}} / \mathbf{3}^{\dagger}$

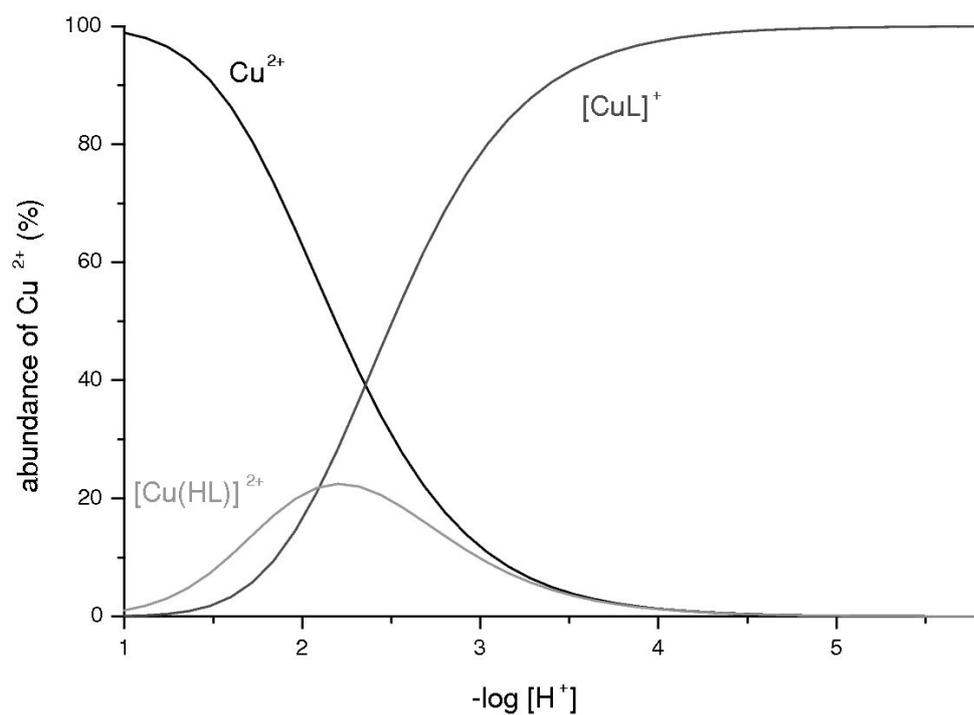


S20 Distribution of species in solutions<sup>†</sup> of **6**

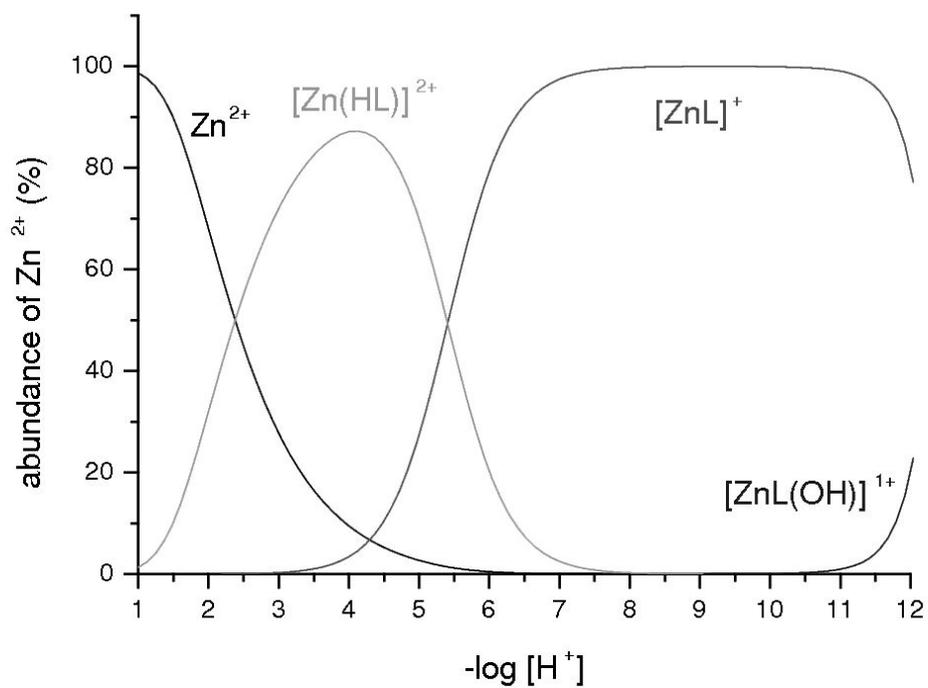


<sup>†</sup> 0.1 M aq.  $\text{KNO}_3$ , 25 °C

S21 Distribution of species in system  $\text{Cu}^{\text{II}} / \mathbf{6}^{\dagger}$



S22 Distribution of species in system  $\text{Zn}^{\text{II}} / \mathbf{6}^{\dagger}$



$\dagger$  0.1 M aq.  $\text{KNO}_3$ , 25 °C