

A Spiro-Pyrrolidine Organocatalyst and Its Application to Catalytic Asymmetric Michael Addition for the Construction of All-Carbon Quaternary Centers

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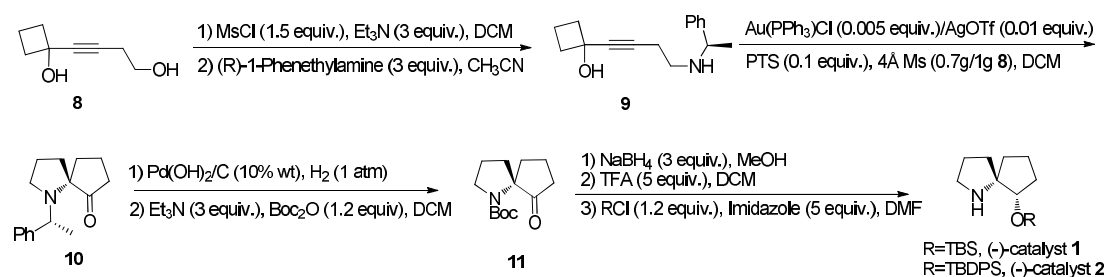
General information

All reactions requiring anhydrous conditions were carried out under argon atmosphere using oven-dried glassware (120 °C), which was cooled under argon. All solvents were purified and dried by standard techniques, and distilled prior to use. All reactions under standard conditions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC) on gel F254 plates. Silica gel (200~300 mesh) and petroleum ether (bp. 60~90 °C), ethyl acetate are used for product purification by flash column chromatography. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra, which were recorded in CDCl₃ solution or Acetone-D₆ solution, were acquired on a Bruker AM-400 MHz spectrometer. Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm relative to residual solvent signals (CDCl₃: 7.26 ppm for ¹H NMR, 77.0 ppm for ¹³C NMR; (CD₃)₂CO: 2.05 ppm for ¹H NMR, 29.9 ppm for ¹³C NMR). The following abbreviations are used to indicate the multiplicity in NMR spectra: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quartet; m, multiplet. High-resolution mass spectral analysis (HRMS) data were determined on an APEXII 47e FT-ICR spectrometer by means of the ESI technique. IR spectra were recorded on a fourier transform infrared spectrometer. Melting points were measured on a melting point apparatus and were uncorrected. The enantiomeric excess (ee) of the products was determined by high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) analysis employing Daicel Chiralpak AD, ID-3, IA-3 and Chiralcel OD-H column. Optical rotations were detected on RUDOLPH A21202-J APTV/GW.

Section 1: Synthesis of catalysts 1, 2 and 3

Catalysts **1** and **2** were prepared easily in gram-scale using tandem hydroamination/semipinacol rearrangement reaction as key reaction according to the procedure below. Instead of the asymmetric catalysis means in previous work, we took chiral induction strategy here to obtain optically pure catalyst. An 8-step synthesis route was performed to give catalysts **1** and **2** in about 30 % total yield from known compound **8**.^[1] More details are as follows:

1) Synthesis of catalysts **1** and **2**



Compound 9: To the solution of compound **8** (8.400 g, 60 mmol) in DCM (60 mL) were added Et₃N (25.2 mL, 180 mmol, 3 equiv.) and MsCl (6.9 mL, 90 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) at 0 °C. About 5 min later, 1 mL H₂O was added to quench the reaction. Then the system was extracted with DCM (3 x 100 mL), and the combined organic phase was washed with saturated brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo*. The crude product was used to the next step directly.

The crude product was dissolved in MeCN (80 mL), and R-phenethylamine (22.9 mL, 180 mmol, 3 equiv.) was added and the system was allowed to warm to 85 °C and stirred for 8 h. Then the system was concentrated in *vacuo*, and 30 mL 4 M HCl was added to neutralize most of the remaining R-phenethylamine. Next, the mixture was extracted with DCM (5 x 100 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with saturated brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified through column chromatography (EtOAc : petroleum ether = 1 : 30) to give compound **9** (12.685 g, 87 % yield for two steps) as a white solid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.23-7.32 (m, 5 H), 3.79 (dd, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 13.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.53-2.64 (m, 2 H), 2.23-2.47 (m, 6 H), 1.72-1.81 (m, 2 H), 1.37 (m, 3 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.7, 128.4, 126.9, 126.5, 85.9, 80.8, 67.1, 57.4, 45.5, 38.8, 23.9, 19.4, 12.8 ppm.

Compound 10: To the solution of compound **9** (6.342 g, 26 mmol) in DCM (50 mL) was added 4 Å MS (4.440 g), and it was stirred for 10 min at room temperature. Then PTS (221 mg, 1.3 mmol, 0.05 equiv.) was added to the system. About 5 min later, Au(PPh₃)Cl (65 mg, 0.13 mmol, 0.005 equiv.) and AgOTf (67 mg, 0.26 mmol, 0.01 equiv.) mixed together were added to the system. Then PTS (221 mg, 1.3 mmol, 0.05 equiv.) was added to the system again, and the system was allowed to heat to reflux for 2 h. The system was filtered through celite and concentrated in *vacuo*. The crude residue was purified through column chromatography (EtOAc : petroleum ether = 1 : 50) to give compound **10** (5.456 g for 2 pots, 43 % yield) as a colorless oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.17-7.31 (m, 5 H), 3.87 (dd, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.15-3.19 (m, 1 H), 2.64-2.70 (m, 1 H), 2.18-2.25 (m, 1 H), 1.99 (m, 1 H), 1.69-1.80 (m, 6 H), 1.33-1.60 (m, 2 H), 1.25-1.39 (m, 3 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 222.1, 144.9, 128.3, 127.9, 126.9, 60.0, 52.8, 38.9, 36.3, 32.5, 23.9, 22.6, 18.3 ppm;

Compound 11: To the solution of compound **10** (5.456 g, 22.5 mmol) in MeOH (30 mL) was added Pd(OH)₂/C

(272 mg, 5 % wt), and then the system was put into 1 atm H₂ and stirred for 10 h. The mixture was filtered through celite and concentrated in *vacuo*. Then the crude residue was dissolved in DCM (50 mL) at 0 °C, Et₃N (9.4 mL, 67.5 mmol, 3 equiv.) and Boc₂O (5.892 g, 27 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) were added to the system sequentially, and the solution was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for another 1 h. Then the system was extracted directly with DCM (3x60 mL), and the combined organic phase was washed with saturated brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified through column chromatography (EtOAc : petroleum ether = 1 : 10) to give compound **11** (5.110 g, 95 % yield for two steps) as a colorless oil. **IR (neat)** cm⁻¹ : 2971, 1745, 1676, 1402, 1161, 952; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.44-3.48 (m, 1 H), 3.37-3.41 (m, 1 H), 2.40-2.51 (m, 1 H), 2.16-2.29 (m, 2 H), 1.98-2.04 (m, 1 H), 1.72-1.89 (m, 5 H), 1.56-1.65 (m, 1 H), 1.34-1.36 (m, 9 H) ppm; **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 218.4, 217.8, 153.3, 152.8, 80.3, 79.5, 69.9, 69.7, 47.8, 47.7, 37.3, 36.2, 36.1, 35.7, 34.3, 33.5, 28.3, 28.2, 23.8, 22.7, 18.7, 18.3 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for C₁₃H₂₁N₁O₃Na₁ [M+Na]⁺: 262.1414, Found: 262.1404, Error: 3.8 ppm

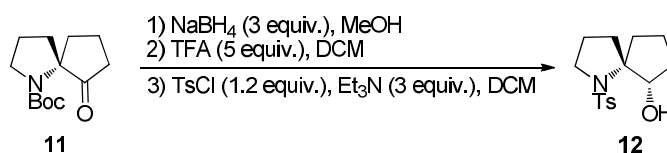
Catalyst 1 and 2: Firstly, to the solution of compound **11** (1.700 g, 7.1 mmol) in MeOH (10 mL) was added NaBH₄ (810 mg, 21.3 mmol, 3 equiv.) at 0 °C. After 10 min later, 1 mL H₂O was added to quench the reaction, and the mixture was extracted with DCM (3 x 30 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with saturated brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo* to obtain crude residue.

Secondly, the crude residue was dissolved in DCM (10 mL), and TFA (2.7 mL, 35.5 mmol, 5 equiv.) was added at room temperature. About 3 h later, the system was concentrated in *vacuo* to remove most of TFA, and then 1 M NaOH was added to ensure that the PH of the mixture was 12-13. The mixture was extracted with DCM (3x30 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with saturated brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo* directly for the next step.

At last, the crude product was dissolved in DMF (10 mL), and imidazole (2.345 g, 35.5 mmol, 5 equiv.), TBSCl (1.284 g, 8.5 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) or TBDPSCl (2.2 mL, 8.5 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) were added sequentially at room temperature. About 30 min later, 10 mL H₂O was added to quench the reaction, and the system was extracted with DCM (3 x 30 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with saturated brine six times, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified through column chromatography (EtOAc : petroleum ether = 1 : 1) to give catalyst **1** (1.450 g 80 % yield for three steps) as a colorless oil and catalyst **2** (2.235 g 83 % yield for three steps) as a colorless oil.

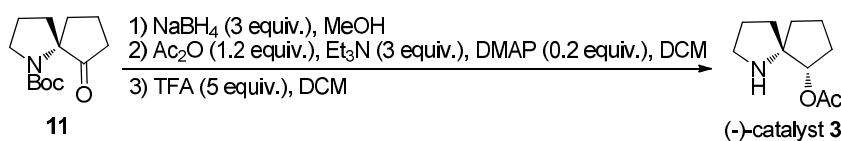
Catalyst 1: **IR (neat)** cm⁻¹ 3302, 2954, 2928, 1690, 1596, 1461, 1390, 1250, 1142, 836, 775; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.75 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.88-2.93 (m, 1 H), 2.79-2.86 (m, 1 H), 2.25 (s, 1 H), 1.43-1.89 (m, 10 H), 0.89 (s, 9 H), 0.12 (s, 6 H) ppm; **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 77.1, 71.4, 45.9, 36.0, 35.0, 32.6, 25.9, 25.8, 19.5, 18.0, -4.4, -5.0 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for C₁₄H₃₀N₁O₁Si₁ [M+H]⁺: 256.2091, Found: 256.2079, Error: 4.7 ppm. [α]_D²⁷ 12 (c 0.4, CHCl₃).

Catalyst 2: **IR (neat)** cm⁻¹ 3361, 2957, 2857, 1656, 1589, 1470, 1427, 1112, 739, 704, 507; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.67 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4 H), 7.35-7.45 (m, 6 H), 3.85 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.80-2.84 (m, 2 H), 1.55-1.89 (m, 10 H), 1.34-1.47 (m, 4 H), 1.08 (s, 9 H) ppm; **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 135.9, 134.3, 133.8, 129.7, 19.6, 127.6, 127.5, 78.3, 71.8, 45.8, 36.1, 34.8, 32.3, 27.1, 25.9, 19.4, 19.3 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for C₂₄H₃₄N₁O₁Si₁ [M+H]⁺: 380.2404, Found: 380.2387, Error: 4.5 ppm. [α]_D²⁷ -2 (c 0.6, CHCl₃).



Compound 12: After the reduction with NaBH₄ and removal of Boc group with TFA using the same procedure as

the catalyst **1-2**, the crude product was taken to the next step directly. To the crude product (135 mg obtained from 1 mmol of (-)-**11**) in DCM (2 mL) were added Et₃N (400 uL, 2.9 mmol, 3 equiv.) and TsCl (218 mg, 1.2 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) at 0 °C. About 5 min later, 1 mL H₂O was added to quench the reaction, and the system was extracted with DCM (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with saturated brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified through column chromatography (EtOAc : petroleum ether = 1 : 5) to give compound **12** (266 mg, 90 % for 3 steps). m.p. 125-127 °C, **IR** (neat) cm⁻¹ 3500, 2958, 2925, 1598, 1451, 1332, 1153, 1091, 667, 592; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 3.66-3.69 (m, 1 H), 3.58-3.65 (m, 1 H), 3.44-3.51 (m, 1 H), 2.63-2.71 (m, 1 H), 2.42 (s, 3 H), 1.71-1.96 (m, 6 H), 1.53-1.61 (m, 1 H), 1.29-1.43 (m, 2 H) ppm; **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.2, 137.7, 129.5, 127.1, 77.4, 76.2, 50.6, 40.0, 32.4, 32.3, 22.1, 21.4, 20.4 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for C₁₅H₂₁N₁O₃S₁ [M+H]⁺: 296.1315, Found: 296.1312, Error: 4.4 ppm. [α]_D²⁷ -45 (c 0.6, CHCl₃).



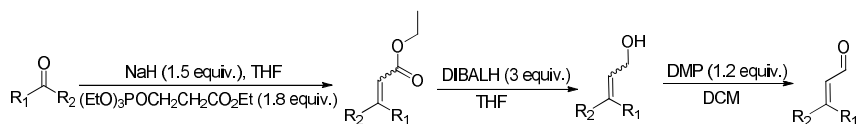
Catalyst 3: To the solution of compound **11** (478 mg, 2 mmol) in MeOH (3 mL) was added NaBH₄ (228 mg, 6 mmol, 3 equiv.) at 0 °C. About 10 min later, 0.2 mL H₂O was added to quench the reaction, and the mixture was extracted with DCM (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with saturated brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo* to obtain crude residue.

Next, the crude residue was dissolved in DCM (2 mL), and Et₃N (840 uL, 6 mmol, 3 equiv.), DMAP (49 mg, 0.4 mmol, 0.2 equiv.), Ac₂O (230 uL, 2.4 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) were added to the system sequentially at 0 °C. After the starting material was disappeared via TLC detection, TFA (740 uL, 10 mmol, 5 equiv.) was added. About 3 h later, the system was concentrated in *vacuo* to remove most of TFA, and then 1 M NaOH was added to ensure that the PH of the mixture was 12-13, and the mixture was extracted with DCM (3 x 30 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with saturated brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified through column chromatography (EtOAc : petroleum ether = 1 : 1) to give catalyst **3** (311 g 85 % yield for three steps) as a colorless oil. **IR** (neat) cm⁻¹ 3331, 2959, 1615, 1420, 1118; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.91 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.718 (dd, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 9.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.47-3.54 (m, 2 H), 2.65-2.71 (m, 1 H), 2.06 (s, 3 H), 1.79-1.96 (m, 6 H), 1.67-1.74 (m, 1 H), 1.35-1.47 (m, 2 H) ppm; **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.4, 81.6, 74.1, 50.3, 41.1, 35.2, 34.1, 24.1, 23.0, 21.0 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for C₁₀H₁₈N₁O₂ [M+H]⁺: 184.1332, Found: 184.1332, Error: 0.0 ppm. [α]_D²⁷ -59 (c 0.5, CHCl₃).

Section 2: Substrates preparation

All of the substrates in this article were prepared according to the literature or commercial available. **S1**, **S3**, **S8**, **S9** and **S12** were commercial available, **S2**, **S5**, **S10** and **S14** were known compounds according to the literature.^[2] Synthesis of **S4**, **S6**, **S7**, **S11** and **S13** was performed by use of Horner-Wadsworth-Emmons reaction, reduction and oxidation reaction procedure.

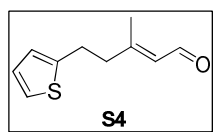
The general procedures are as follows:



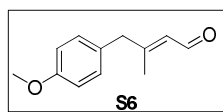
Firstly, (EtO)₃POCH₂CO₂Et (18 mmol, 1.8 equiv.) was added to the NaH (15 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) in THF (30 mL) at 0 °C. About 5 min later, the keto (10 mmol) was added to the system when the solution became clear. Then it was allowed to warm to 95 °C and stirred for 10 h. After it was cooled to room temperature, 10 mL H₂O was added to quench the reaction, the system was extracted with DCM (3 x 50 mL). Then the combined organic phase was washed with saturated brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo*. The crude product was used to the next step directly.

Next, to the conjugate olefinic ester in THF (30 mL) was added DIBALH (30 mmol, 3 equiv.) at 0 °C, and the reaction system was stirred for 30 min. Then 50 mL NH₄Cl saturated solution was added to quench the reaction, and the system was extracted with DCM (3 x 50 mL). The combined organic phase was washed with saturated brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo*. The crude product was used to the next step directly.

Last, to the crude allyl alcohol compound in DCM (30 mL) was added DMP (12 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) at 0 °C, and the reaction system was stirred for 30 min. Then 10 mL NaHCO₃ saturated solution was added to quench the reaction. About 5 min later, 10 mL Na₂S₂O₃ saturated solution was added to the system, and the mixture was extracted with DCM (3 x 50 mL). Then the combined organic phase was washed with saturated brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified through column chromatography (EtOAc : petroleum ether = 1 : 100 to 1 : 50) to give substrates.

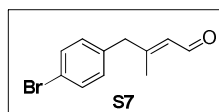


(E)-Compound S4 was obtained in 52 % yield as a light yellow oil. **IR** (neat) cm⁻¹ 2924, 2372, 1736, 1673, 1120; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.01 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.24 (dd, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.88-6.94 (m, 2 H), 5.82 (dd, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.09 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 2.62 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 2.24 (s, 3 H) ppm; **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.4, 162.6, 144.4, 128.6, 127.7, 125.7, 124.3, 42.9, 28.2, 17.5 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for C₁₀H₁₃O₁S₁ [M+H]⁺: 181.0682, Found: 181.0683, Error: 0.6 ppm

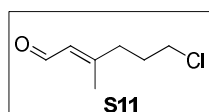


(E)-Compound S6 was obtained in 64 % yield as a colourless oil. **IR** (neat) cm⁻¹ 2932, 1671, 1512, 1179, 1035; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.98 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.05-7.08 (m, 2 H), 6.83-6.87 (m, 2 H), 5.87 (dt, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.79 (s, 3 H), 3.43 (s, 2 H), 2.12 (d, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 3 H) ppm; **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 191.3,

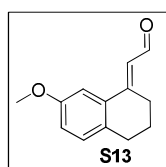
162.8, 158.6, 130.1, 128.9, 128.1, 114.1, 55.2, 46.0, 17.2 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $C_{12}H_{15}O_2$ $[M+H]^+$: 191.1067, Found: 191.1067, Error: 0 ppm



(E)-Compound S7 was obtained in 56 % yield as a colourless oil. **IR** (neat) cm^{-1} 2924, 1689, 1438, 1404, 1248, 1071, 1011; **1H NMR** (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 9.99 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.43-7.46 (m, 2 H), 7.04 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2 H), 5.86 (dd, J = 1.2 Hz, 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.45 (s, 2 H), 2.11 (d, J = 0.8 Hz, 3 H) ppm; **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 191.1, 161.2, 135.9, 131.8, 130.8, 128.6, 129.1, 46.2, 17.3 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $C_{11}H_{12}BrO_1$ $[M+H]^+$: 239.0066, Found: 239.0066, Error: 0 ppm



(E)-Compound S11 was obtained in 48 % yield as a colourless oil. **IR** (neat) cm^{-1} 2926, 1737, 1596, 1450, 1243, 1148; **1H NMR** (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 10.06 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.86 (dd, J = 8.0 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.67-3.71 (m, 2 H), 2.43-2.47 (m, 2 H), 2.27 (s, 3 H), 2.01-2.11 (m, 4 H) ppm; **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 191.5, 162.7, 128.5, 45.1, 38.1, 30.9, 17.5 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $C_7H_{12}ClO_1$ $[M+H]^+$: 147.0571, Found: 147.0570, Error: 0.7 ppm

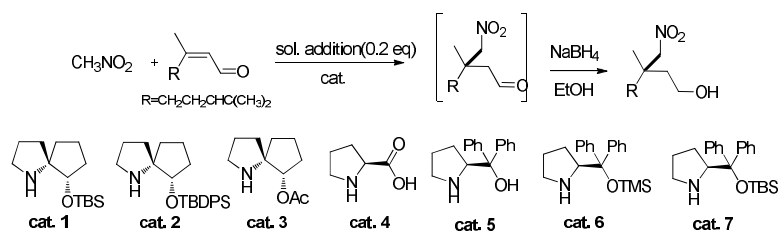


(E)-Compound S13 was obtained in 61 % yield as a light yellow solid. **IR** (neat) cm^{-1} 2934, 2838, 1731, 1658, 1495, 1429, 1278, 1242, 1144, 1036; **1H NMR** (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 10.20 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.26 (s, 1 H), 7.10 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 6.94 (dd, J = 8.0 Hz, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 6.46 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.82 (s, 3 H), 3.09 (dt, J = 1.2 Hz, 6.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.78 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2 H), 1.64-1.92 (m, 2 H) ppm; **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 191.5, 159.2, 157.3, 134.9, 133.4, 131.4, 123.3, 118.5, 109.8, 55.7, 27.4, 24.1 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $C_{13}H_{15}O_2$ $[M+H]^+$: 203.1067, Found: 203.1069, Error: 1.0 ppm

Section 3: Reaction Condition Optimization and Substrate Scope

General procedure: To the substrate (0.125 mmol), catalyst (0.2 equiv.) in solvent (0.5 mL) were added additive (0.2 equiv.) and CH_3NO_2 (20 equiv.) and stirred until the substrate was disappeared. Then 0.5 ml EtOH and NaBH_4 (3 equiv.) were added at 0 °C sequentially. About 5 min later, 10 drops of H_2O was added to quench the reaction. The system was dried over Na_2SO_4 and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified through column chromatography (EtOAc : petroleum ether = 1 : 20 to 1 : 5) to give products.

Table 1: Michael addition of **S1** with CH_3NO_2 ^a



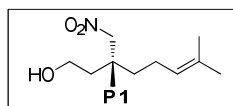
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3	Tol.	3	0.2	RT	1d/100	BA	75	55
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5	Tol.	5	0.2	RT	2d/50	BA	<5	14
6	Tol.	6	0.2	RT	2d/75	BA	<5	70
7	Tol.	7	0.2	RT	2d/42	BA	8	60
8 ^d	Tol.	2	0.2	RT	2d/50	---	40	85
9	Tol.	2	0.2	RT	1d/80	NaOAc	33	84
10	Tol.	2	0.2	RT	1d/50	Na_2CO_3	16	82
11	Tol.	2	0.2	RT	3d/---	PTS	---	---
12	Tol.	2	0.2	-5	2.5d/100	BA	85	90
13	Tol.	2	0.2	-10	7d/20	BA	16	89
14	Tol.	2	0.1	-5	7d/95	BA	65	88
15	Tol.	2	0.05	-5	7d/30	BA	19	88
16	Tol.	2	0.2	-5	2.5d/100	3- NO_2 -BA	67	82
17	Tol.	2	0.2	-5	2.5d/100	4- NO_2 -BA	64	84
18	Tol.	2	0.2	-5	2.5d/100	4- CF_3 -BA	85	83
19	Tol.	2	0.2	-5	2.5d/90	2-F-BA	83	84
20	Tol.	2	0.2	-5	2.5d/100	2-MeO-BA	82	82
21	Tol.	2	0.2	-5	2.5d/100	4-MeO-BA	80	82
22	Tol.	2	0.2	-5	2.5d/100	HFIP	75	73
23	Tol.	2	0.2	-5	2.5d/80	H_2O	51	86
24	Tol.	2	0.2	-5	2.5d/100	Catechol	57	84
25	Tol.	2	0.2	-5	2.5d/90	hloroglucin	70	84

26	MeCN	2	0.2	-5	2.5d/75	BA	68	84
27	DCM	2	0.2	-5	2.5d/100	BA	86	86
28	MeOH	2	0.2	-5	2.5d/80	BA	43	87
29	Et ₂ O	2	0.2	-5	2.5d/80	BA	34	89

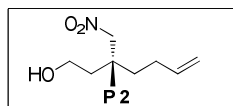
a): Unless other noted, all reactions were performed in the below condition: To the substrate (0.125 mmol), catalyst (0.2 equiv.) in solvent (0.5 mL) were added additive (0.2 equiv.) and CH₃NO₂ (20 equiv.). Then 0.5 mL EtOH, and 0.375 mmol NaBH₄ were added to the system at 0 °C after the appointed time and stirred for 5 min. Next 10 drops of H₂O was added to quench the reaction. And the system was dried with Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuo and purified by column chromatography. b): Isolated yield. c): The enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC analysis. d): without BA

Products P1-P14:

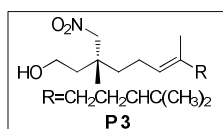
The products were obtained according to the optimized condition (entry 12, Table 1), the results are as bellows:



Compound P1 was obtained in 85% yield from (*E*)-**S1**, 82% yield from (*Z*)-**S1**, 83% yield from (*E and Z*)-**S1** as a colorless oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.07 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.42 (dd, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 17.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.80 (dd, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 11.6 Hz, 2 H), 2.01 (dd, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 16.4 Hz, 2 H), 1.65-1.74 (m, 5 H), 1.61 (s, 3 H) 1.38-1.43 (m, 2 H), 1.10 (s, 3 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 132.3, 123.4, 83.7, 58.9, 39.3, 37.9, 37.3, 25.7, 23.1, 22.0, 17.6 ppm; [α]_D²⁷ 7 (c 0.5, CHCl₃). Enantiomeric excess is 90% determined by HPLC (Chiralpak ID-3, Hexane/Isopropanol 97/3, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm): major isomer: tr = 23.17 min; minor isomer: tr = 21.89 min.

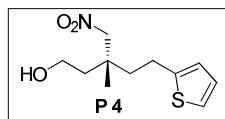


Compound P2 was obtained in 63% yield from (*E*)-**S2** as a colorless oil. IR (neat) cm⁻¹ 3342, 2924, 2373, 1595, 1547, 1460, 1378, 1124; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.73-5.84 (m, 1 H), 4.96-5.08 (m, 2 H), 4.42 (dd, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 16.0 Hz, 2 H), 3.79-3.81 (m, 2 H), 2.06-2.12 (m, 2 H), 1.65-1.74 (m, 2 H) 1.44-1.52 (m, 2 H), 1.11 (s, 3 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 137.8, 115.1, 83.7, 58.9, 39.3, 37.3, 37.1, 27.7, 23.1 ppm; HRMS ESI Calcd for C₉H₁₈N₁O₃ [M+H]⁺: 188.1281, Found: 188.1283, Error: 1.1 ppm. [α]_D²⁷ 2 (c 0.5, CHCl₃). Enantiomeric excess is 86% determined by HPLC (Chiralpak ID-3, Hexane/Isopropanol 97/3, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm): major isomer: tr = 30.30 min; minor isomer: tr = 28.34 min.

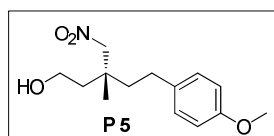


Compound P3 was obtained in 80% yield from (*E*)-**S3** as a colorless oil. IR (neat) cm⁻¹ 3390, 2923, 1548, 1457, 1378, 1114; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.07 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 4.42 (dd, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 17.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.80 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 1.94-2.09 (m, 6 H), 1.67-1.72 (m, 5 H), 1.59-1.61 (m, 6 H) 1.38-1.43 (m, 2 H), 1.10 (s, 3 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 135.9, 131.5, 124.1, 123.2, 83.7, 58.9, 39.6, 39.3, 37.9, 37.3, 26.6, 25.7, 23.1, 21.9,

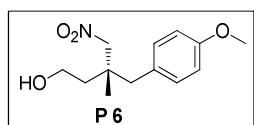
17.7, 16.0 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $C_{16}H_{30}N_1O_3$ $[M+H]^+$: 284.2220, Found: 284.2223, Error: 1.1 ppm. $[\alpha]_D^{27}$ 5 (c 0.4, $CHCl_3$). Enantiomeric excess is 91% determined by HPLC (Chiralpak ID-3, Hexane/Isopropanol 97/3, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm): major isomer: tr = 17.22 min; minor isomer: tr = 16.58 min.



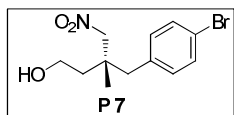
Compound P4 was obtained in 72% yield from (*E*)-**S4** as a colorless oil. **IR** (neat) cm^{-1} 3374, 2923, 2370, 1545, 1461, 1377, 1262, 1034, 699; **1H NMR** (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.13 (dd, J = 0.8 Hz, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.92 (dd, J = 3.6 Hz, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.80-6.82 (m, 1 H), 4.47 (dd, J = 10.8 Hz, 14.8 Hz, 2 H), 3.83 (dd, J = 6.4 Hz, 11.2 Hz, 2 H), 2.87-2.92 (m, 2 H), 1.69-1.86 (m, 4 H), 1.45-1.49 (m, 1 H), 1.17 (s, 3 H) ppm; **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 144.1, 126.9, 124.3, 123.2, 83.5, 58.8, 40.1, 39.2, 37.5, 24.1, 23.1 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $C_{11}H_{17}N_1O_3Na_1$ $[M+Na]^+$: 266.0821, Found: 266.0821, Error: 0.0 ppm. $[\alpha]_D^{27}$ 2 (c 0.4, $CHCl_3$). Enantiomeric excess is 87% determined by HPLC (Chiralpak ID-3, Hexane/Isopropanol 97/3, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm): major isomer: tr = 68.05 min; minor isomer: tr = 63.64 min.



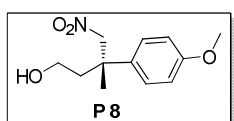
Compound P5 was obtained in 85% yield from (*E*)-**S5** as a colorless oil. **IR** (neat) cm^{-1} 3390, 2923, 1611, 1546, 1511, 1461, 1377, 1244, 1033, 821, 736; **1H NMR** (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.10 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2 H), 6.83 (dd, J = 1.6 Hz, 5.6 Hz, 2 H), 4.47 (dd, J = 10.4 Hz, 14.0 Hz, 2 H), 3.83 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 2.56-2.62 (m, 2 H), 1.62-1.81 (m, 4 H), 1.16 (s, 3 H) ppm; **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 157.9, 133.6, 129.2, 113.9, 83.5, 58.8, 55.3, 40.5, 39.3, 37.4, 28.9, 23.1 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $C_{14}H_{21}N_1O_4Na_1$ $[M+Na]^+$: 290.1363, Found: 290.1362, Error: 0.3 ppm. $[\alpha]_D^{27}$ 4 (c 0.4 mg/mL, $CHCl_3$). Enantiomeric excess is 86 % determined by HPLC (Chiralpak ID-3, Hexane/Isopropanol 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm): major isomer: tr = 23.06 min; minor isomer: tr = 20.35 min.



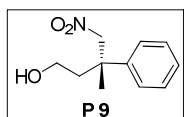
Compound P6 was obtained in 76% yield from (*E*)-**S6** as a colorless oil. **IR** (neat) cm^{-1} 3376, 2925, 2372, 1741, 1547, 1512, 1461, 1376, 1244, 1046; **1H NMR** (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.11 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.84 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 4.37 (dd, J = 11.2 Hz, 34.3 Hz, 2 H), 3.86 (dt, J = 3.6 Hz, 6.4 Hz, 2 H), 3.80 (s, 3 H), 2.72 (dd, J = 13.6 Hz, 30.4 Hz, 2 H), 1.58-1.78 (m, 2 H), 1.05 (s, 3 H) ppm; **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 158.5, 131.8, 128.2, 82.9, 59.0, 55.2, 43.3, 39.4, 38.3, 22.7 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $C_{13}H_{19}N_1O_4Na_1$ $[M+H]^+$: 276.1206, Found: 276.1204, Error: 0.7 ppm. $[\alpha]_D^{27}$ 6 (c 0.5, $CHCl_3$). Enantiomeric excess is 93 % determined by HPLC (Chiralpak AD, Hexane/Isopropanol 95/5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm): major isomer: tr = 36.62 min; minor isomer: tr = 33.87 min.



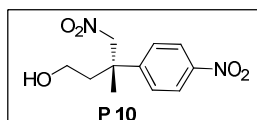
Compound P7 was obtained in 78% yield from (*E*)-**S7** as a colorless oil. **IR** (neat) cm^{-1} 3371, 2925, 1547, 1487, 1460, 1377, 1256, 1072, 1011; **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.44 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 7.10 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2 H), 4.37 (dd, J = 11.2 Hz, 27.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.83-3.87 (m, 2 H), 2.72 (dd, J = 13.6 Hz, 28.8 Hz, 2 H), 1.59-1.77 (m, 2 H), 1.05 (s, 3 H) ppm; **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 135.2, 132.5, 131.4, 121.0, 82.6, 58.8, 43.6, 39.3, 38.2, 22.6 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{16}\text{Br}_1\text{N}_1\text{O}_3\text{Na}_1$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 324.0206/326.0185, Found: 324.0203/326.0183, Error: 0.9 ppm. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27}$ 3 (c 0.4, CHCl_3). Enantiomeric excess is 95 % determined by HPLC (Chiralpak AD, Hexane/Isopropanol 95/5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm): major isomer: tr = 29.95 min; minor isomer: tr = 27.34 min.



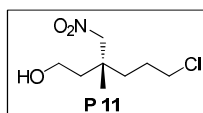
Compound P8 was obtained in 75% yield from (*E*)-**S8** as a colorless oil. **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.26 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 4.64 (dd, J = 10.8 Hz, 14.8 Hz, 2 H), 3.80 (s, 3 H), 3.48-3.80 (m, 2 H), 2.15-2.22 (m, 1 H), 1.97-2.05 (m, 1 H), 1.58 (s, 3 H) ppm; **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 158.6, 133.7, 127.1, 114.2, 86.2, 59.1, 55.2, 42.1, 40.9, 23.2 ppm. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27}$ -32 (c 0.4, CHCl_3). Enantiomeric excess is 95 % determined by HPLC (Chiralpak OD-H, Hexane/Isopropanol 80/20, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm): major isomer: tr = 25.46 min; minor isomer: tr = 21.73 min.



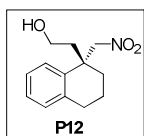
Compound P9 was obtained in 87% yield from (*E*)-**S9** as a colorless oil. **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.32-7.37 (m, 4 H), 7.26-7.31 (m, 1 H), 4.69 (dd, J = 11.2 Hz, 15.2 Hz, 2 H), 3.47-3.66 (m, 2 H), 2.17-2.25 (m, 1 H), 2.00-2.08 (m, 1 H), 1.60 (s, 3 H) ppm; **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 141.9, 128.8, 127.3, 125.9, 85.9, 59.1, 42.1, 41.4, 23.0 ppm. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27}$ -11 (c 0.5, CHCl_3). Enantiomeric excess is 96 % determined by HPLC (Chiralpak IA-3, Hexane/Isopropanol 95/5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm): major isomer: tr = 31.82 min; minor isomer: tr = 30.63 min.



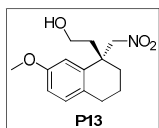
Compound P10 was obtained in 85% yield from (*E*)-**S10** as a colorless oil. **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.23 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 7.54 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 4.80 (dd, J = 12.0 Hz, 46.0 Hz, 2 H), 3.50-3.72 (m, 2 H), 2.03-2.19 (m, 2 H), 1.67 (s, 3 H) ppm; **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 149.9, 147.0, 127.1, 123.9, 85.0, 58.7, 42.3, 42.0, 23.1 ppm. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27}$ -22 (c 0.1, CHCl_3). Enantiomeric excess is 98 % determined by HPLC (Chiralpak OD-H, Hexane/Isopropanol 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm): major isomer: tr = 54.47 min; minor isomer: tr = 52.39 min. The Specific rotation and the retention time was in complete agreement with the reference.^[3]



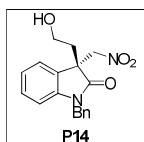
Compound P11 was obtained in 73% yield from (*E*)-**S11** as a colorless oil. **IR** (neat) cm^{-1} 3350, 2922, 2373, 1589, 1546, 1461, 1378, 1255; **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.42 (m, 2 H), 3.81 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2 H), 3.54 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2 H), 1.79-1.87 (m, 2 H), 1.64-1.74 (m, 2 H) 1.51-1.60 (m, 2 H), 1.11 (s, 3 H) ppm; **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 83.6, 58.8, 45.0, 39.2, 37.1, 35.2, 26.7, 23.1 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{16}\text{Cl}_1\text{N}_1\text{O}_3\text{Na}_1$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 232.0711, Found: 232.0711, Error: 0.0 ppm. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27}$ 3 (c 0.6, CHCl_3). Enantiomeric excess is 87 % determined by HPLC (Chiralpak ID-3, Hexane/Isopropanol 97/3, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm): major isomer: tr = 33.02 min; minor isomer: tr = 30.58 min.



Compound P12 was obtained in 78% yield from (*E*)-**S12** as a colorless oil. **IR** (neat) cm^{-1} 3335, 2923, 2373, 1592, 1546, 1460, 1377, 1251, 1121; **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.11-7.29 (m, 4 H), 4.68 (dd, J = 10.8 Hz, 19.2 Hz, 2 H), 3.52-3.70 (m, 2 H), 2.78-2.82 (m, 2 H), 2.28-2.36 (m, 1 H) 1.99-2.12 (m, 2 H), 1.82-1.95 (m, 2 H) 1.23-1.26 (m, 1 H) ppm; **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 137.9, 136.5, 130.1, 127.1, 126.7, 126.4, 84.7, 59.3, 41.1, 40.8, 31.0, 30.1, 19.0 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_1\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 258.1101, Found: 258.1100, Error: 0.4 ppm. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27}$ 5 (c 0.5, CHCl_3). Enantiomeric excess is 97 % determined by HPLC (Chiralpak ID-3, Hexane/Isopropanol 97/3, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm): major isomer: tr = 34.01 min; minor isomer: tr = 41.92 min.



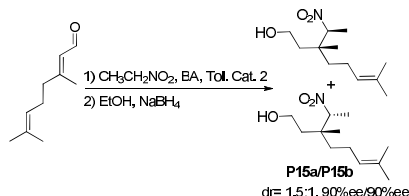
Compound P13 was obtained in 85% yield from (*E*)-**S13** as a light yellow solid. **IR** (neat) cm^{-1} 3349, 2923, 2372, 1591, 1259, 1120; **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.02-7.05 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 6.73-6.80 (m, 2 H), 4.51 (dd, J = 10.8 Hz, 22.4 Hz, 2 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.54-3.70 (m, 2 H), 2.70-2.74 (m, 2 H), 2.25-2.32 (m, 1 H) 1.91-2.09 (m, 2 H), 1.79-1.90 (m, 3 H) ppm; **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 157.9, 137.5, 130.9, 129.9, 112.8, 112.3, 84.7, 59.3, 55.3, 41.1, 40.1, 30.9, 29.2, 19.1 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_1\text{O}_4$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$: 266.1387, Found: 266.1389, Error: 2.6 ppm. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27}$ 12 (c 0.5, CHCl_3). Enantiomeric excess is 95 % determined by HPLC (Chiralpak ID-3, Hexane/Isopropanol 80/20, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm): major isomer: tr = 22.61 min; minor isomer: tr = 29.96 min.



Compound P14 was obtained in 85% yield from (*E/Z*=3:1 to 4:1)-**S14** as a colorless oil. **IR** (neat) cm^{-1} 3409, 2961, 2924, 1743, 1161, 1554, 1465, 1374, 1260, 1100, 1044, 800, 698; **^1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.19-7.32 (m, 7 H), 7.03-7.07 (m, 1 H), 6.75-6.78 (m, 1 H), 4.97-5.10 (m, 4 H), 3.61 (t, J = 5.6 Hz, 2 H), 2.03-2.19 (m, 2 H) ppm; **^{13}C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 177.2, 143.2, 135.4, 129.4, 128.9, 127.8, 127.4, 127.2, 123.0, 110.1, 78.7,

58.3, 50.0, 44.5, 38.1 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $C_{18}H_{18}N_2O_4Na_1 [M+Na]^+$: 349.1159, Found: 349.1145, Error: 4.0 ppm. $[\alpha]_D^{27}$ 22 (c 0.3, $CHCl_3$). Enantiomeric excess is 83 % determined by HPLC (Chiralpak AD, Hexane/Isopropanol 90/10, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm): major isomer: tr = 28.05 min; minor isomer: tr = 31.17 min. The Specific rotation and the retention time was in complete agreement with the reference.^[3]

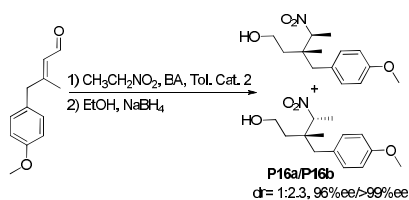
Michael addition of **S1** and **S6** with nitroethane



Compounds P15a and P15b were obtained separately as oils (dr = 1.5:1) in 70% total yield (25 mg, 0.125 mmol of **S1**).

Data for **P15a**: IR (neat) cm^{-1} 3373, 2925, 1592, 1547, 1455, 1385, 1041; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 5.05 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.20 (dd, J = 7.2 Hz, 13.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.68-3.82 (m, 2 H), 1.83-2.07 (m, 2 H), 1.47-1.80 (m, 11 H), 1.36-1.38 (m, 2 H) 1.01 (s, 3H) ppm; **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 132.3, 123.5, 89.6, 58.9, 38.9, 38.2, 36.0, 25.7, 22.0, 20.6, 17.6, 13.8 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $C_{12}H_{23}N_1O_3Na_1 [M+Na]^+$: 252.1570, Found: 252.1573, Error: 1.2 ppm. $[\alpha]_D^{27}$ 17 (c 0.4, $CHCl_3$). Enantiomeric excess is 90 % determined by HPLC (Chiralpak AD, Hexane/Isopropanol 99/1, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 220 nm): major isomer: tr = 53.41 min; minor isomer: tr = 59.77 min.

Data for **P15b**: IR (neat) cm^{-1} 3373, 2925, 1592, 1547, 1455, 1385, 1041; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 5.04 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.26 (dd, J = 6.4 Hz, 13.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.69-3.82 (m, 2 H), 1.84-2.07 (m, 2 H), 1.40-1.68 (m, 9 H), 1.33-1.40 (m, 4 H) 1.31 (s, 3H) ppm; **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 132.1, 123.5, 89.5, 58.8, 38.9, 37.8, 36.3, 25.7, 22.1, 20.7, 17.6, 14.0 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $C_{12}H_{23}N_1O_3Na_1 [M+Na]^+$: 252.1570, Found: 252.1569, Error: 0.4 ppm. $[\alpha]_D^{27}$ -13 (0.3 mg/mL, $CHCl_3$). Enantiomeric excess is 90 % determined by HPLC (Chiralpak OD-H, Hexane/Isopropanol 95/5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm): major isomer: tr = 12.65 min; minor isomer: tr = 11.69 min.



Compounds P16a and P16b were obtained inseparably (dr = 1:2.3) as oils in 75% total yield (25 mg, 0.125 mmol of **S6**).

Data for **P16a and P16b**: IR (neat) cm^{-1} 3399, 2929, 2370, 1610, 1546, 1512, 1250, 1180, 1038; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 6.82-7.11 (m, 4 H), 4.70-4.76 (m, 1 H), 3.73-3.85 (m, 5 H), 2.57-2.75 (m, 2 H), 1.53-1.79 (m, 5 H), 0.97-0.99 (m, 3 H) 1.31 (s, 3H) ppm; **¹³C NMR** (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 158.4, 131.8, 128.4, 113.6, 133.6, 89.3, 89.6, 58.8, 58.7, 55.2, 41.2, 40.7, 40.0, 38.1, 37.4, 21.0, 14.2 ppm; **HRMS ESI** Calcd for $C_{14}H_{22}N_1O_4 [M+H]^+$: 268.1543, Found: 268.1532, Error: 4.1 ppm. $[\alpha]_D^{27}$ 3 (c 0.6, $CHCl_3$). Enantiomeric excess is >99 % for **P16a** and 94 % for **P16b** determined by HPLC (Chiralpak OD-H, Hexane/Isopropanol 99/1, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, 230 nm): **P16a**: major isomer: tr = 176.53 min; **P16b**: major isomer: tr = 150.05 min, minor isomer: tr = 157.28 min.

Section 5: *In situ* NMR experiments

To inspect the detail process of the asymmetric Michael addition, *in situ* NMR experiments were performed with **S8** and nitromethane under the catalysis of **2** in D-toluene on 600MHz spectrometer. According to the results, a possible process of this reaction was deduced to involve an initial dienamine formation, then fast Michael addition via imine intermediate, and final hydrolysis to release catalyst **2** and generate product **P8**. As for Jørgensen-Hayashi catalyst, only a mixture was observed in the corresponding experimentals.

1) Experiment 1 with **S8** and **2** in D-toluene without BA and nitromethane

S8 (9.6 mg, 0.055 mmol) and catalyst **2** (21 mg, 0.055 mmol) were dissolved in 0.5 mL D-toluene in a NMR tube, and the system was shaken uninterruptedly. NMR monitoring experiments were taken sequentially. The selected results were recorded after 5 min, 30 min and 16 h from mix as follows (Figure 1):

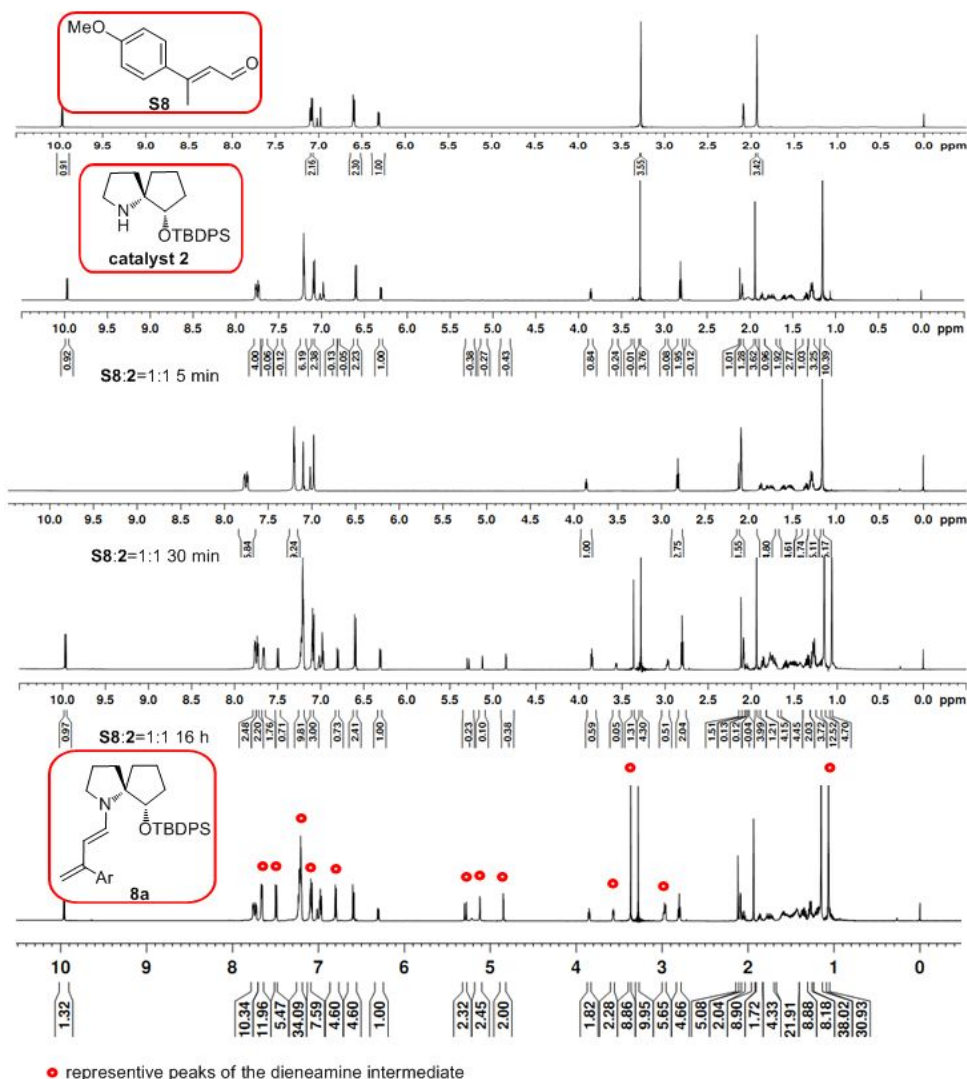


Figure 1: The Formation of The Dieneamine Intermediate with **S8** and **2**.

2) Experiment 2 inspecting the whole process of the Michael addition.

S8 (9.6 mg, 0.055 mmol) and catalyst **2** (21 mg, 0.055 mmol) were dissolved in 0.5 mL D-toluene in a NMR tube, About 5 min later, BA and CH₃NO₂ were added to the tube successively. And the system was shaken uninterruptedly, NMR monitoring experiments were taken sequentially. The selected results were recorded after 5 min, 30 min and 16 h from mix as follows (Figure 2). At last, 0.5 mL EtOH, and 3 equiv. NaBH₄ were added to the system. And **P8** was isolated in 70% yield and 92% ee.

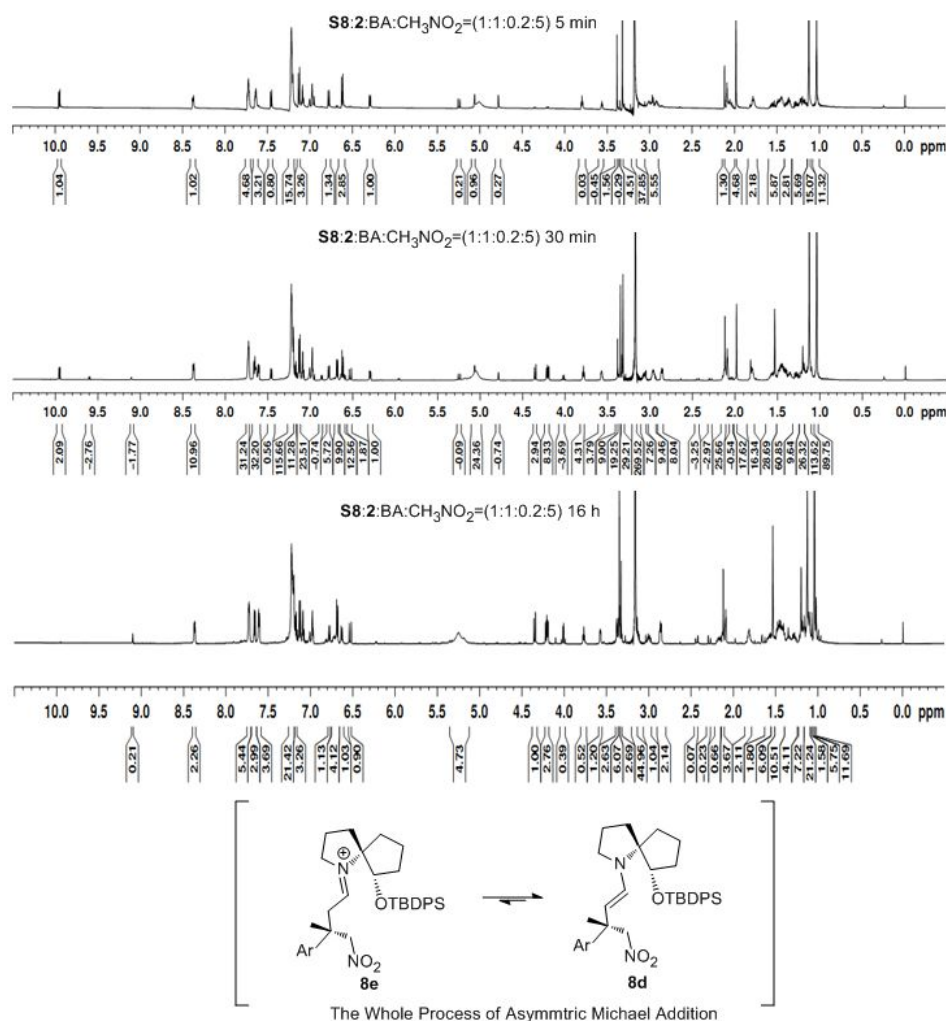
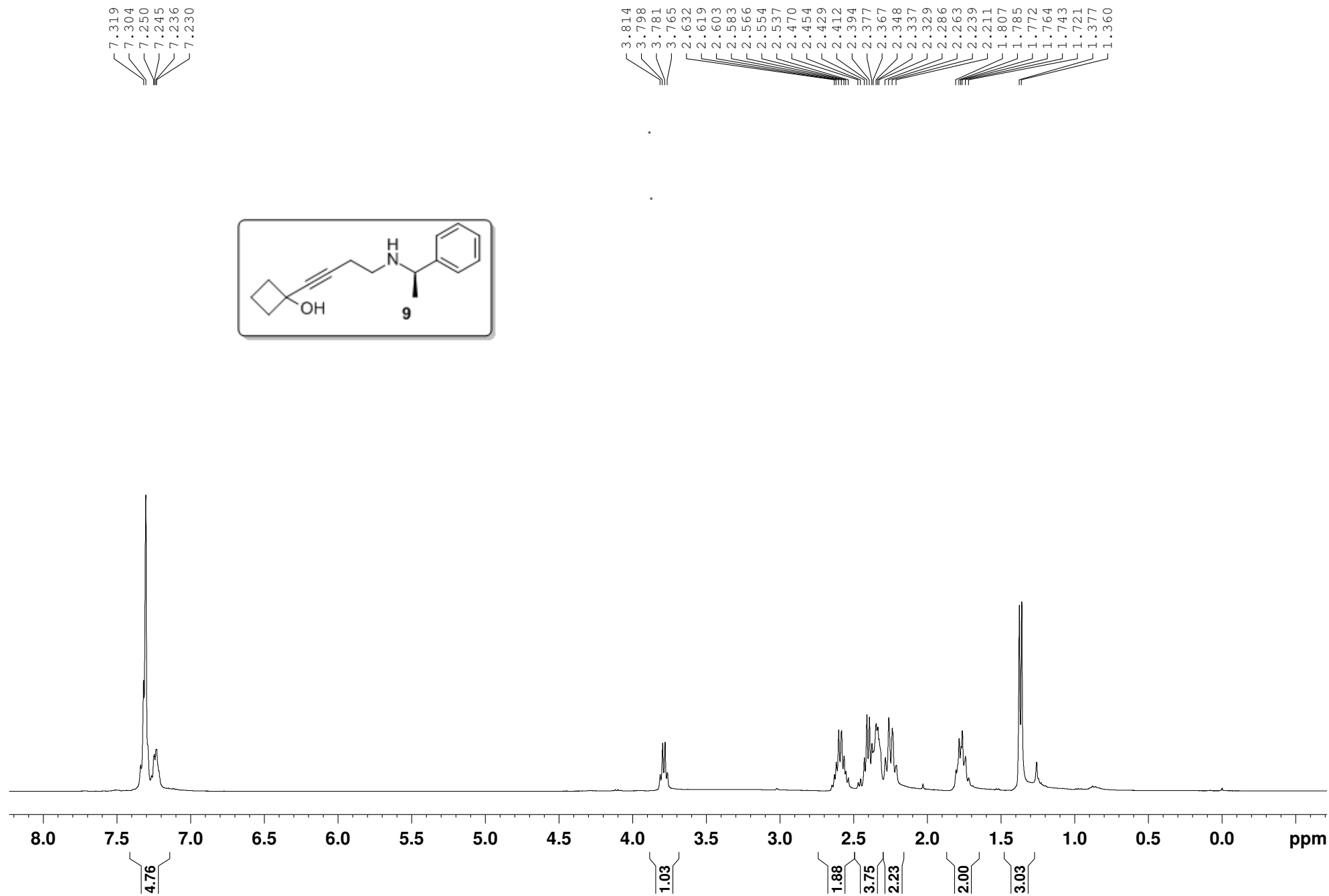
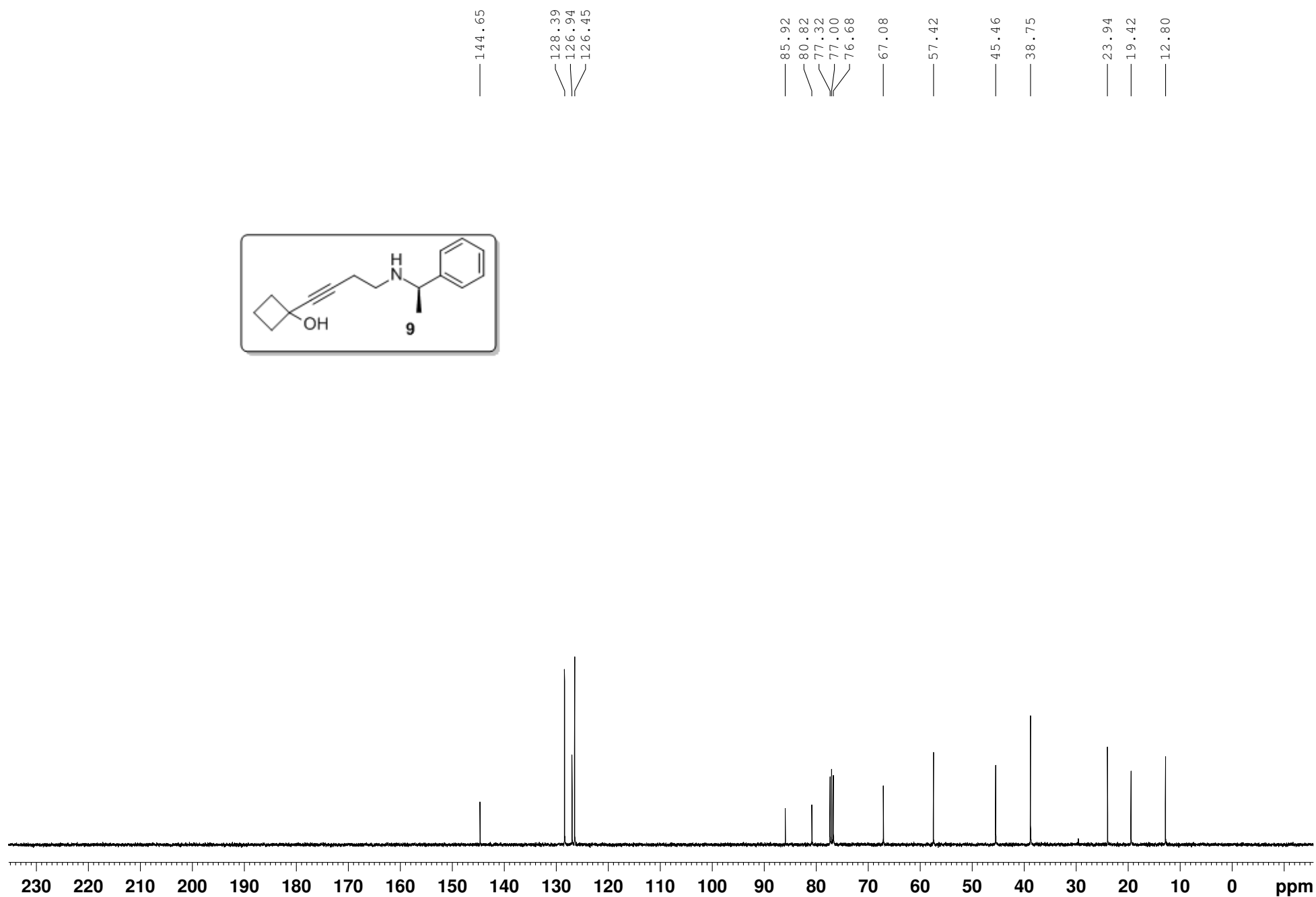
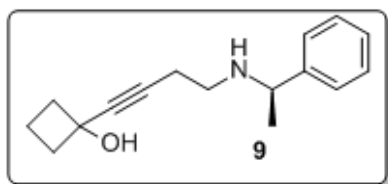


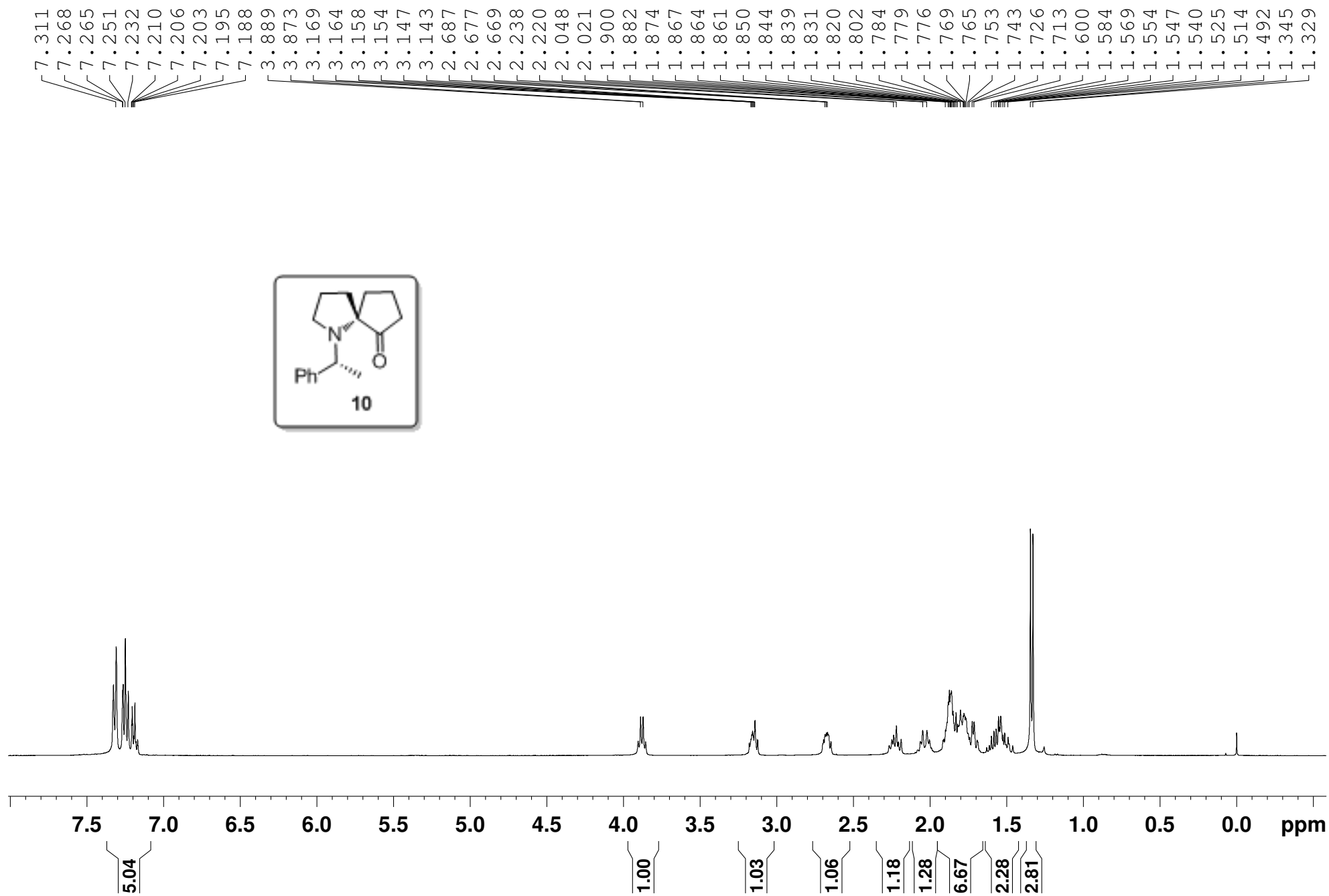
Figure 2: the whole process of the asymmetric Michael reaction with **S8**, **2**, BA and nitromethane

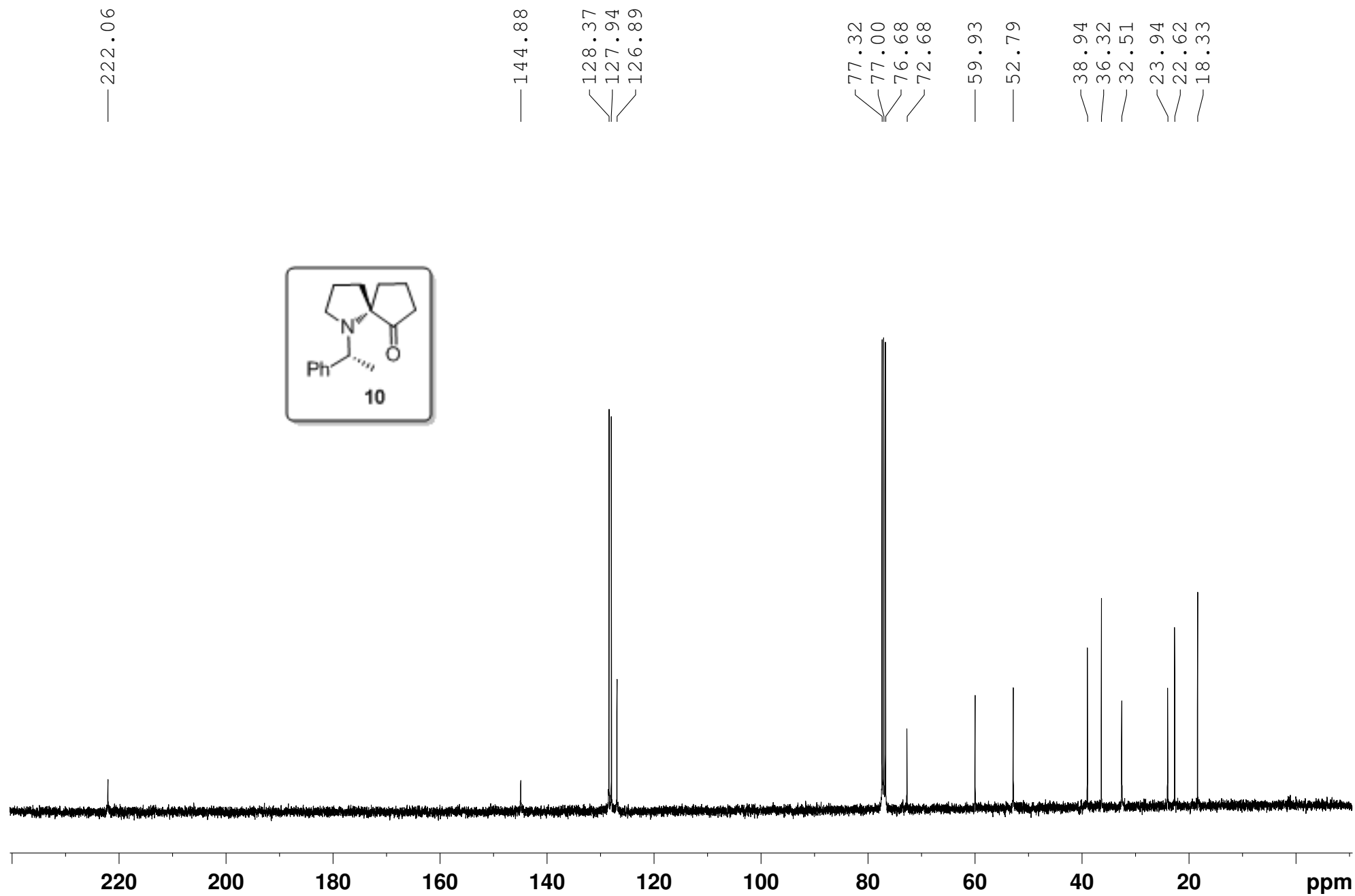
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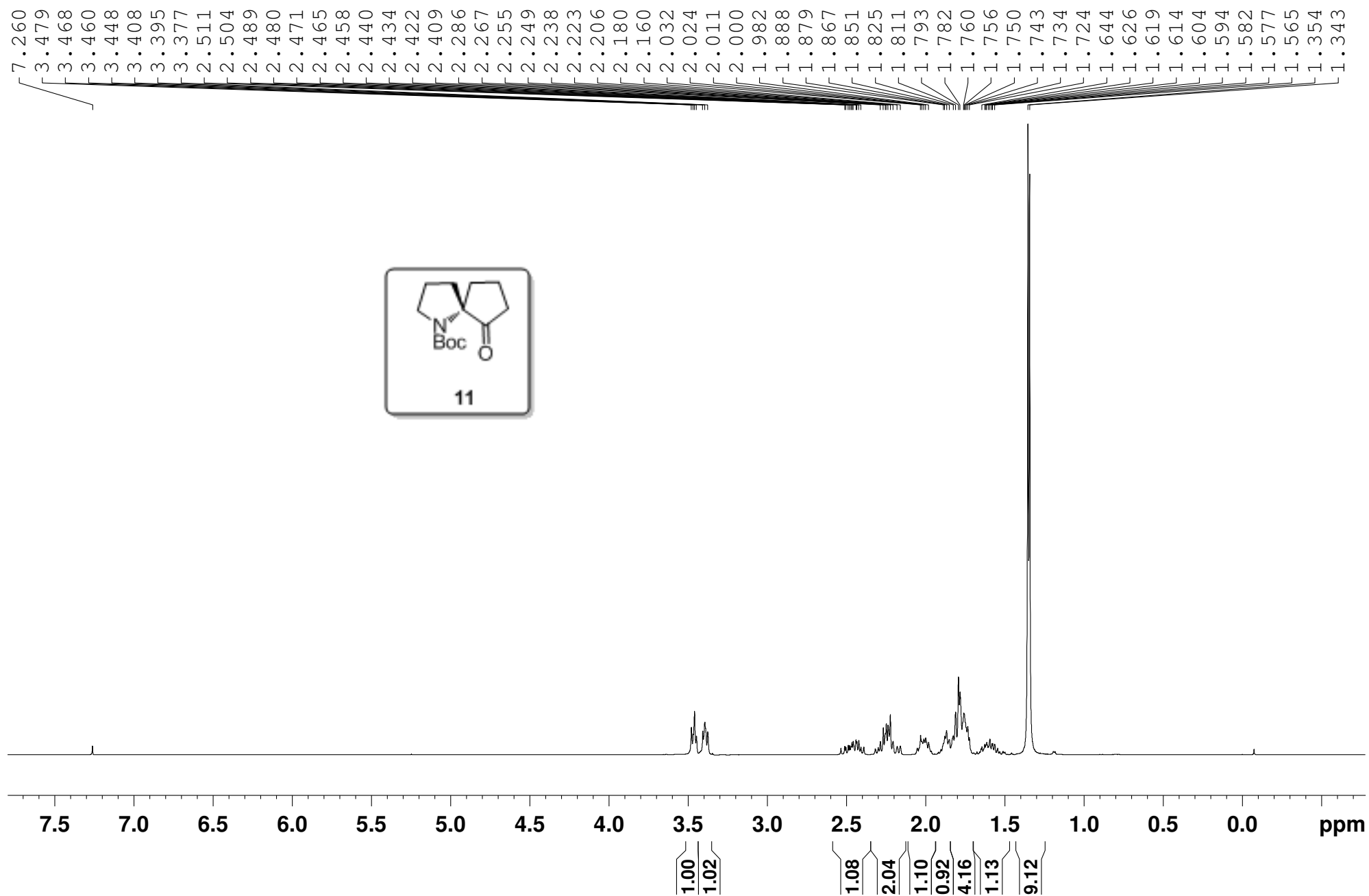
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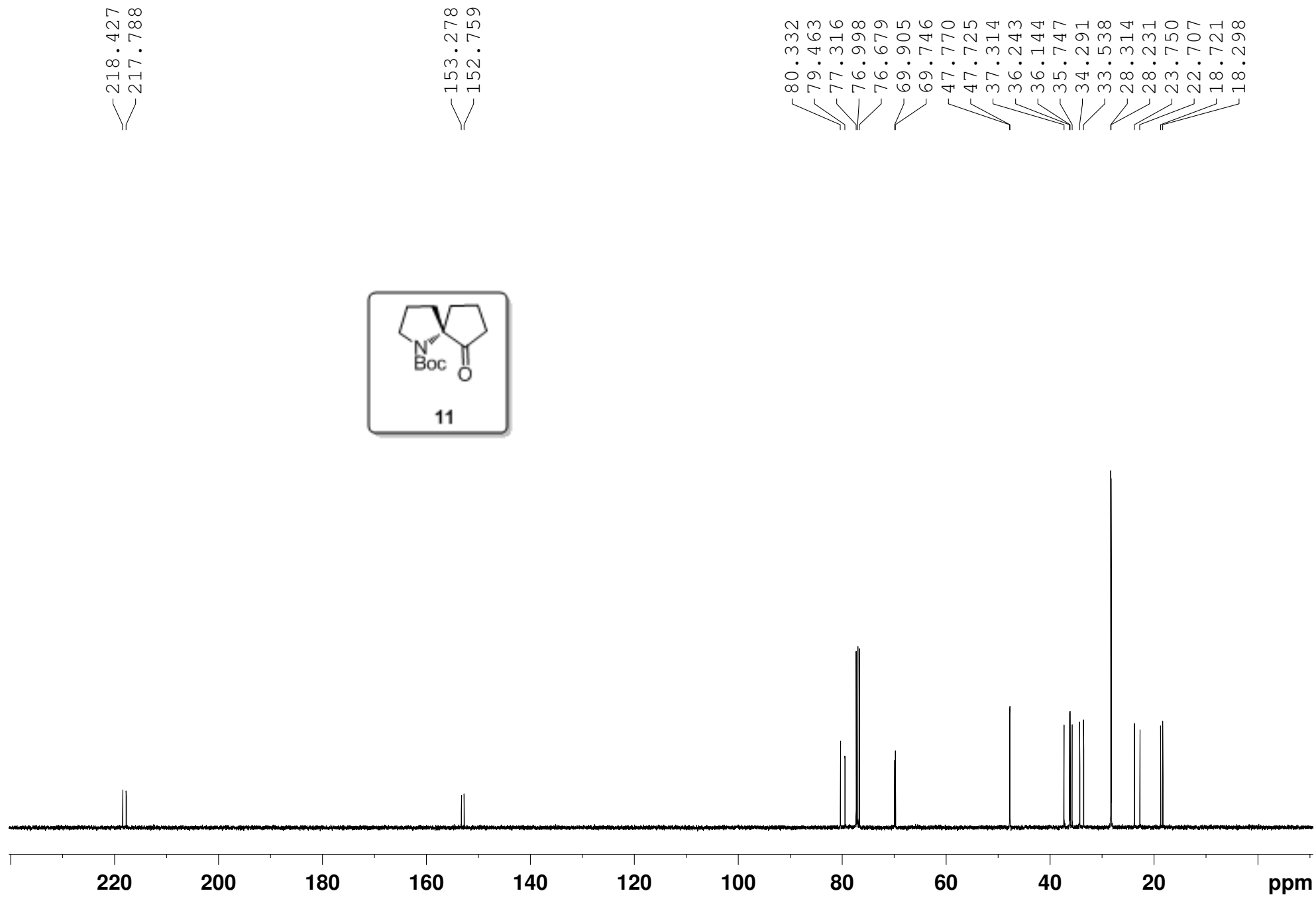


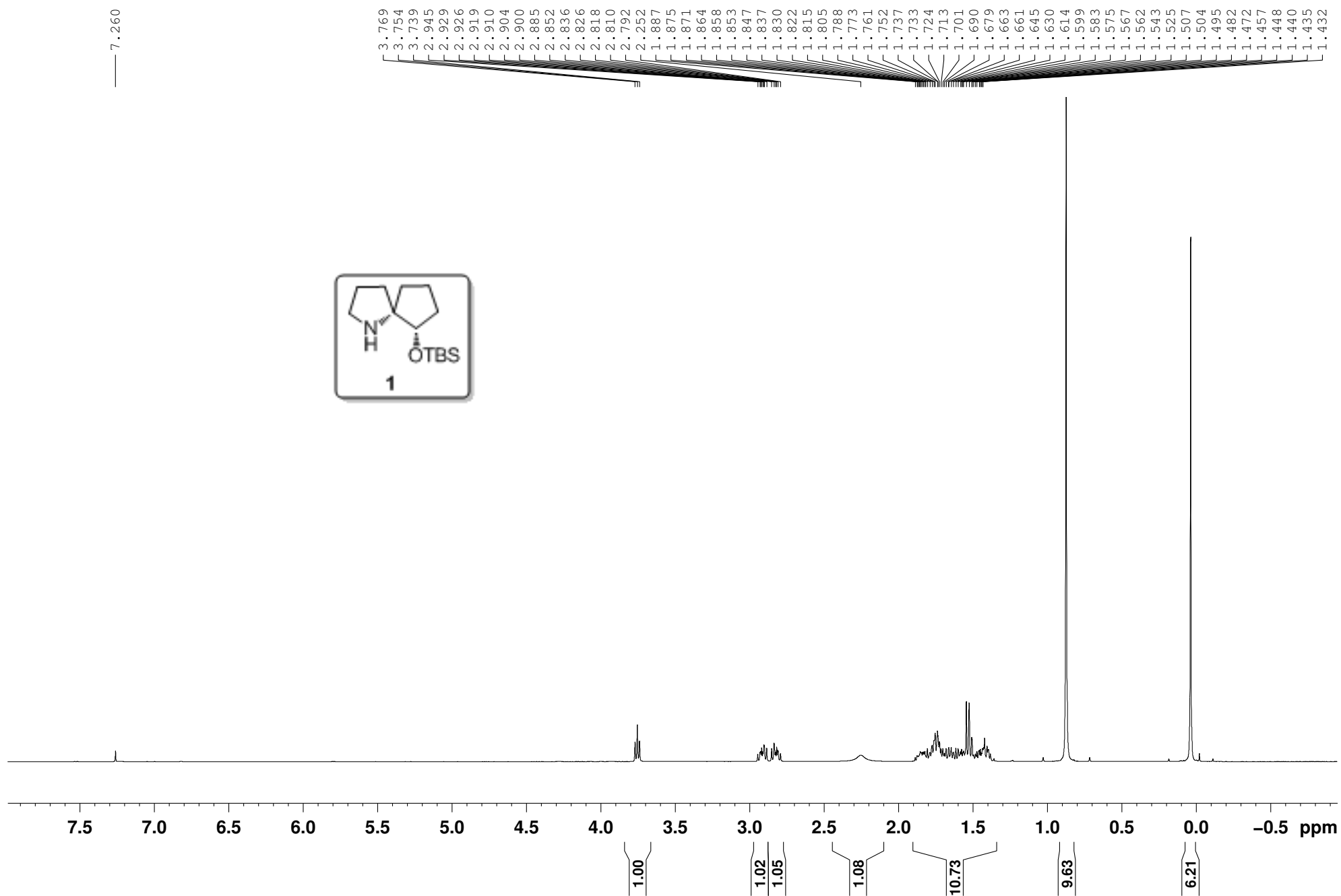


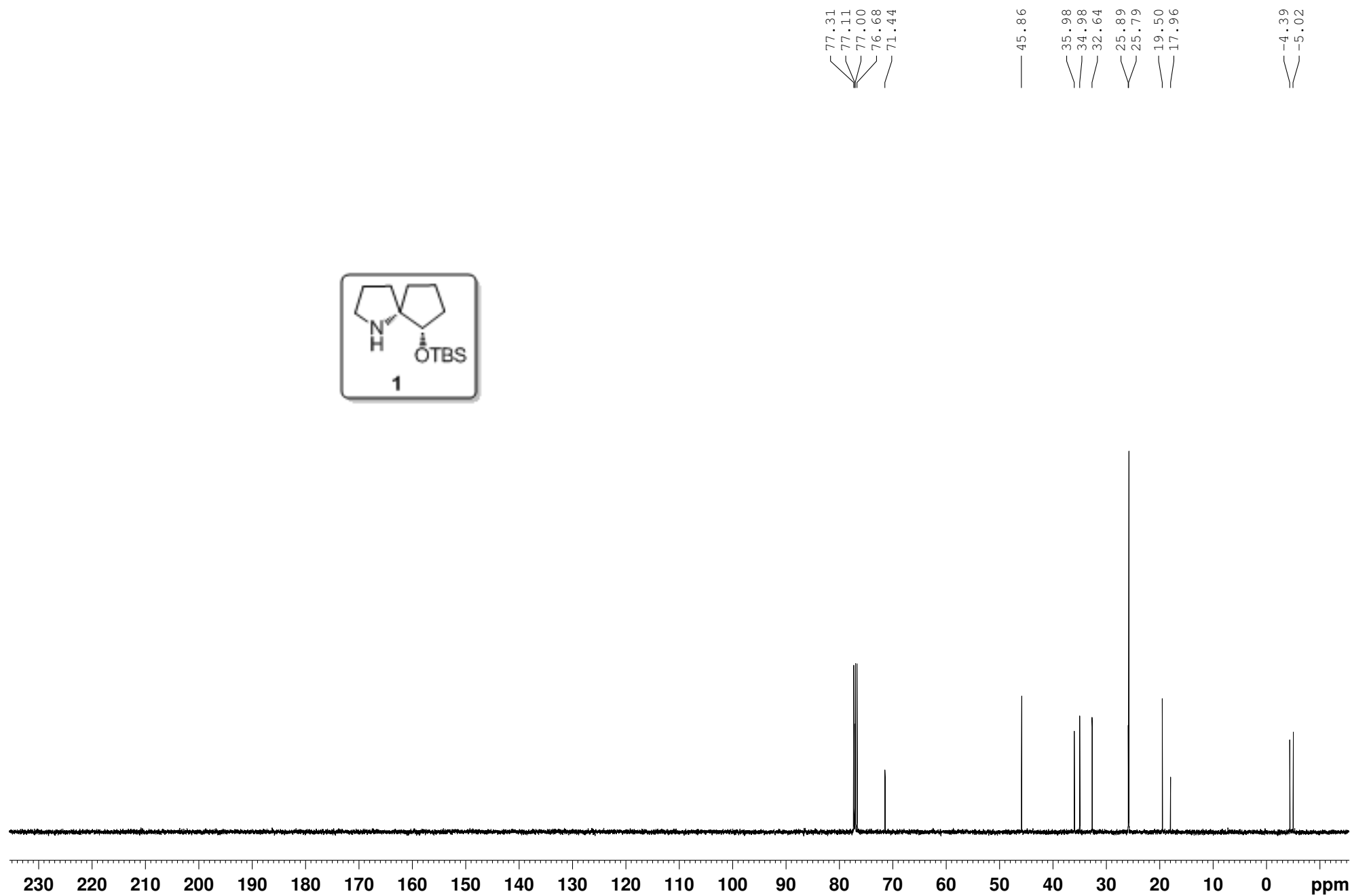
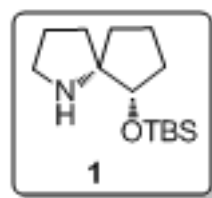


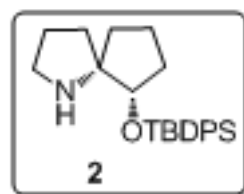










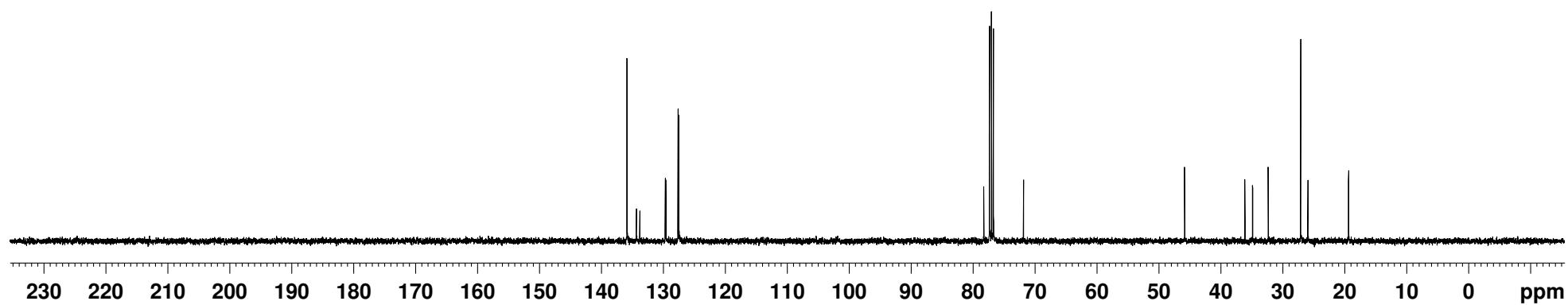


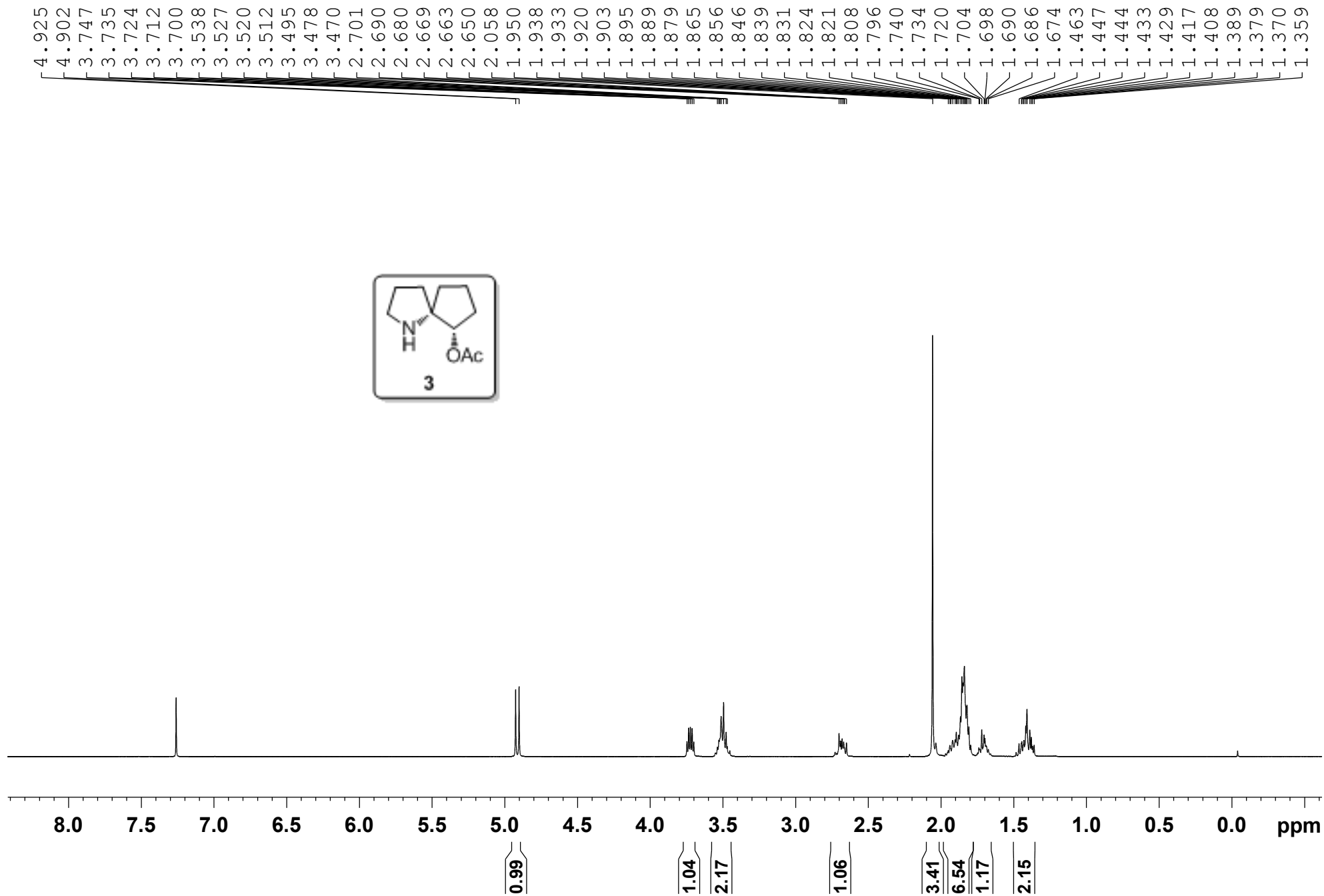
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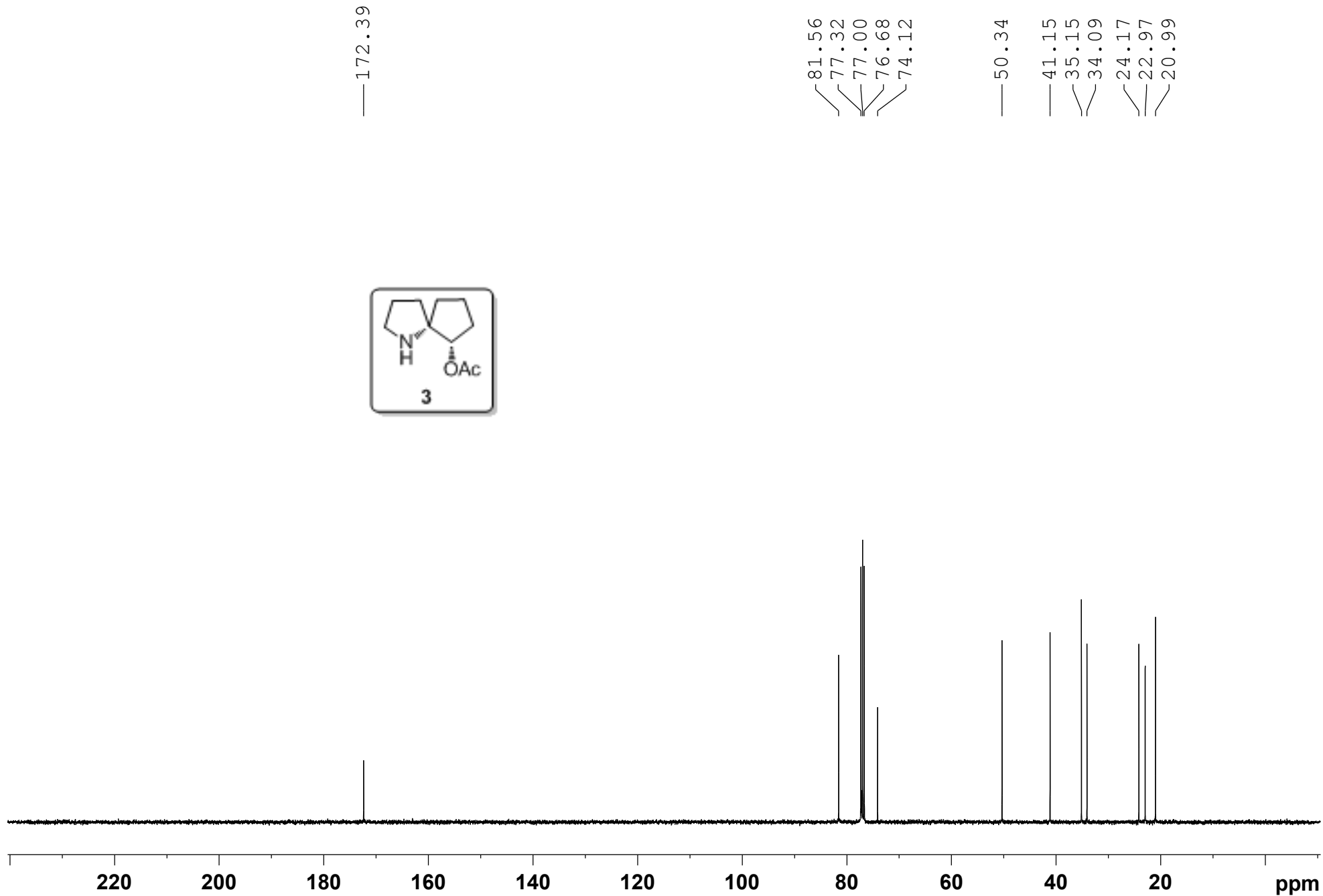
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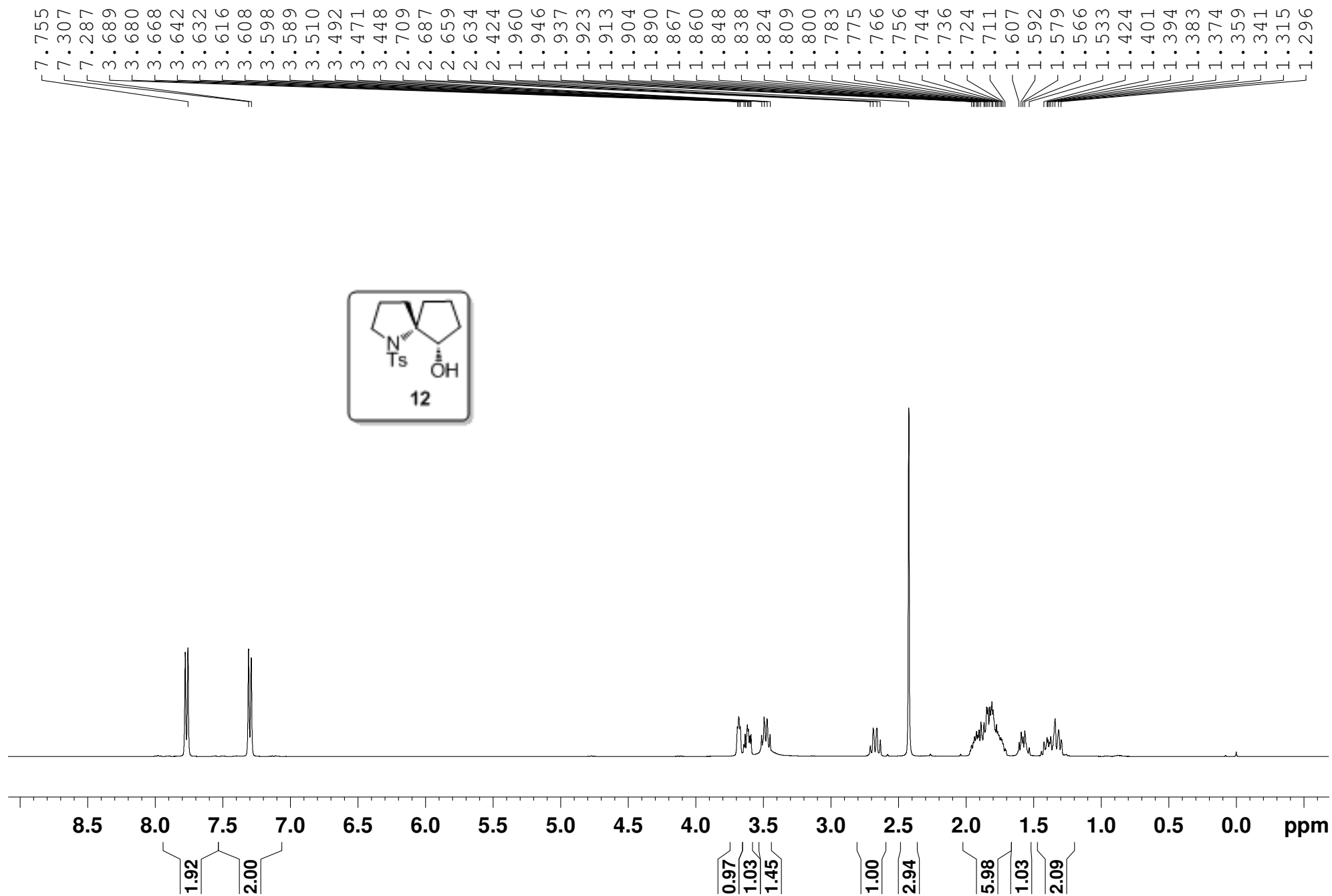
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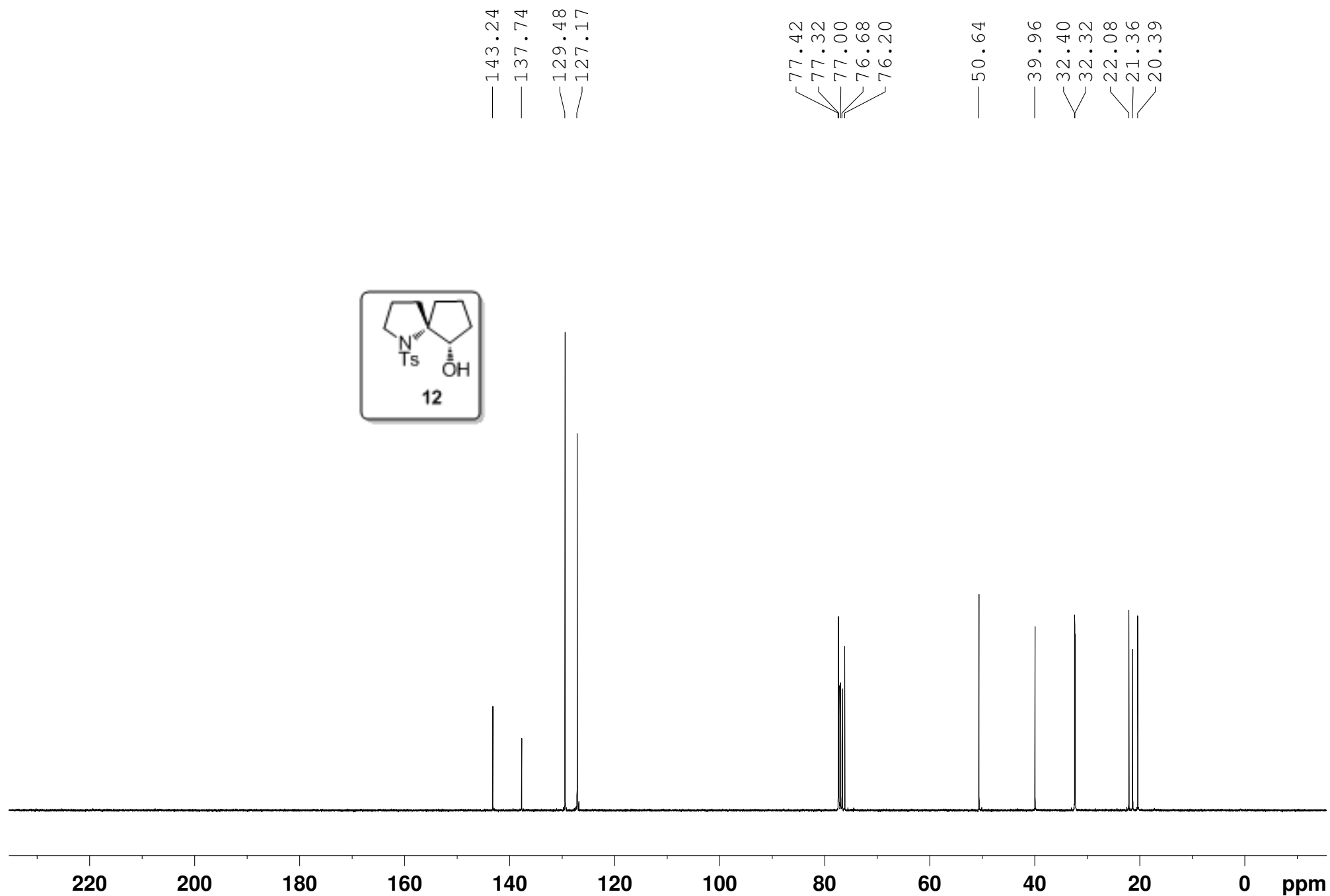
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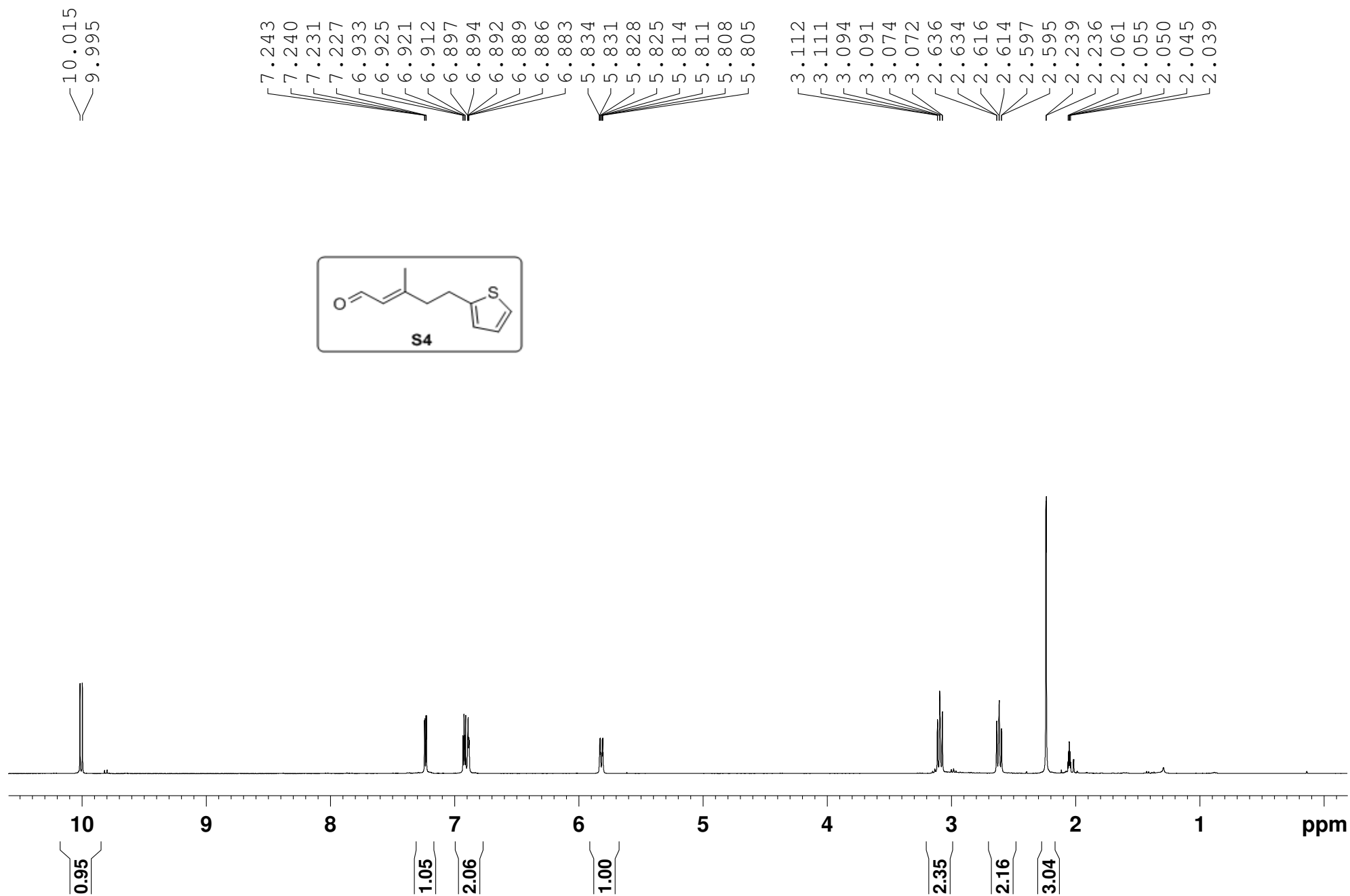


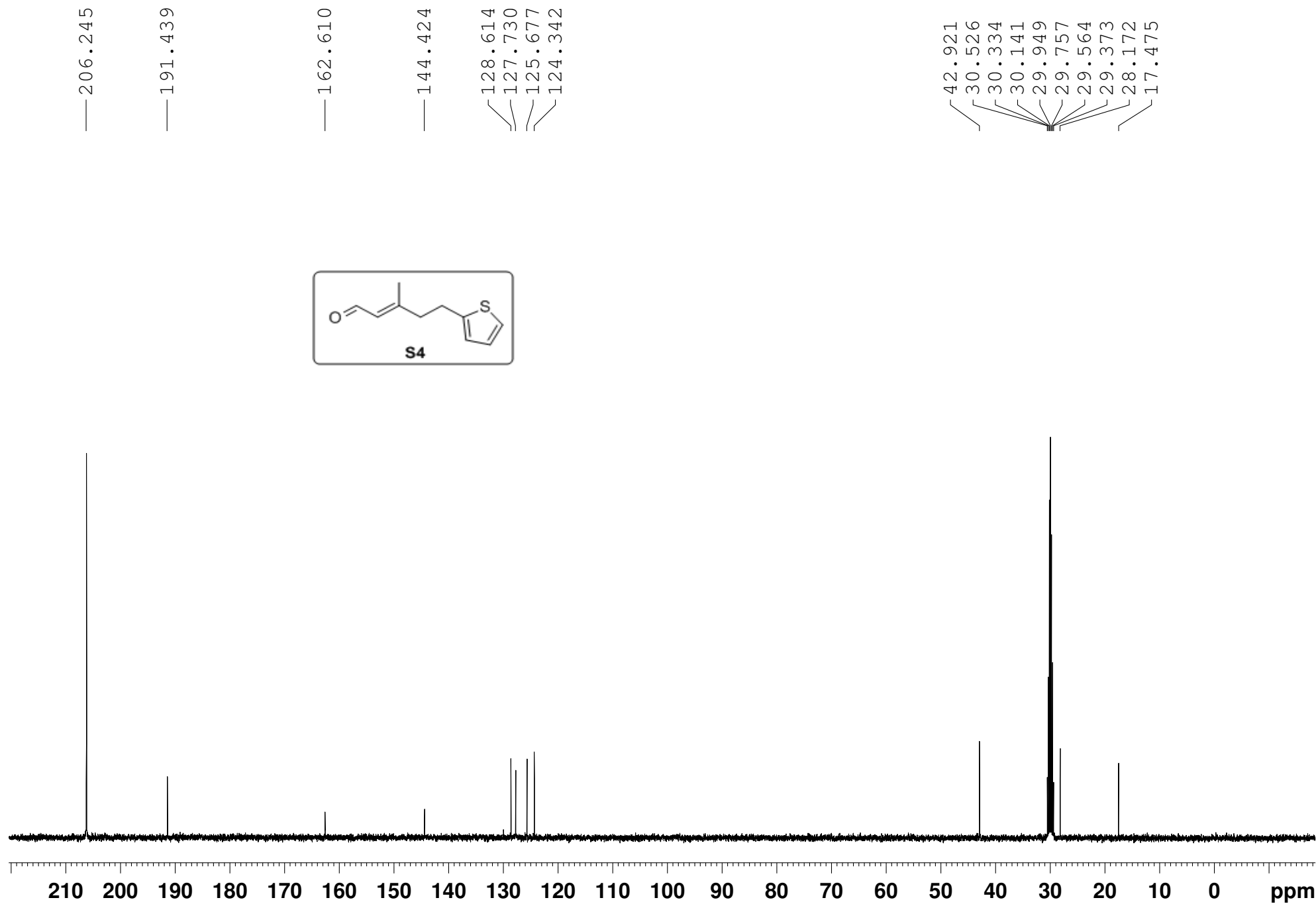


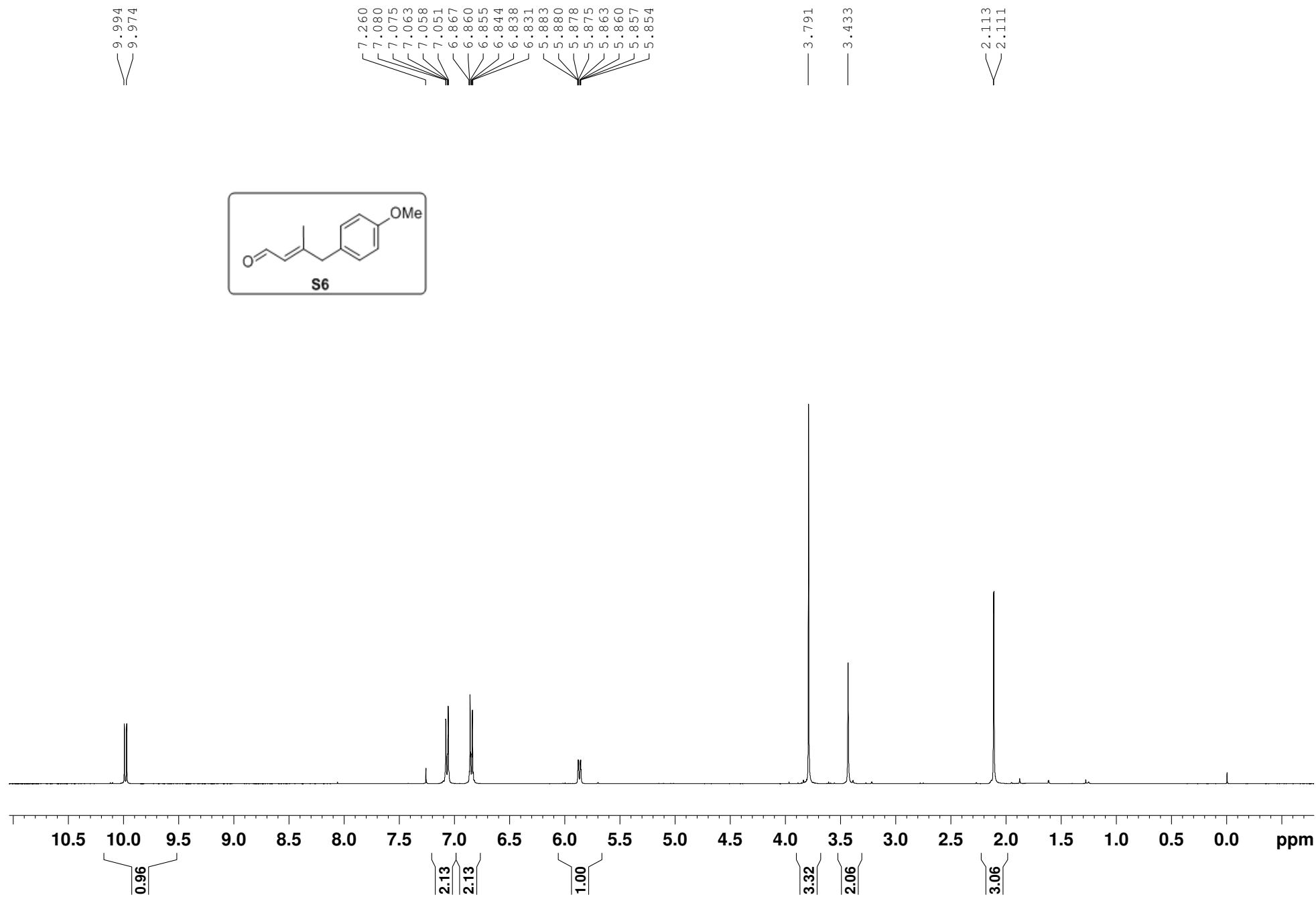


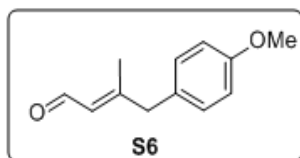












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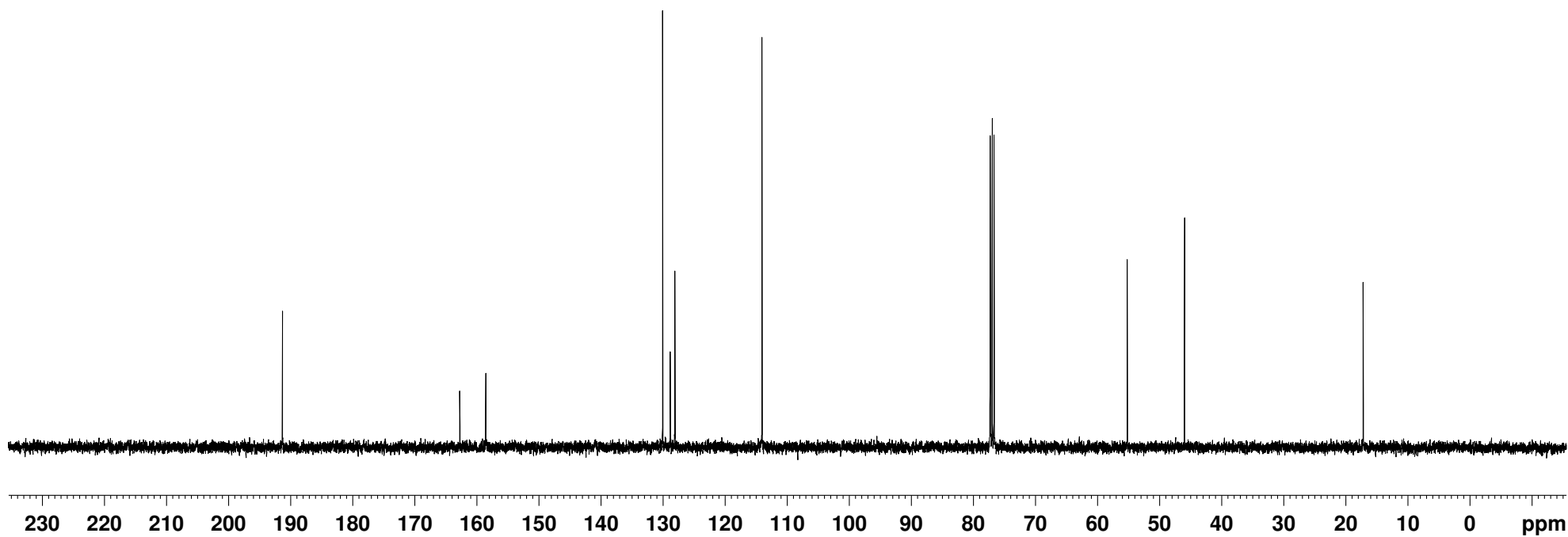
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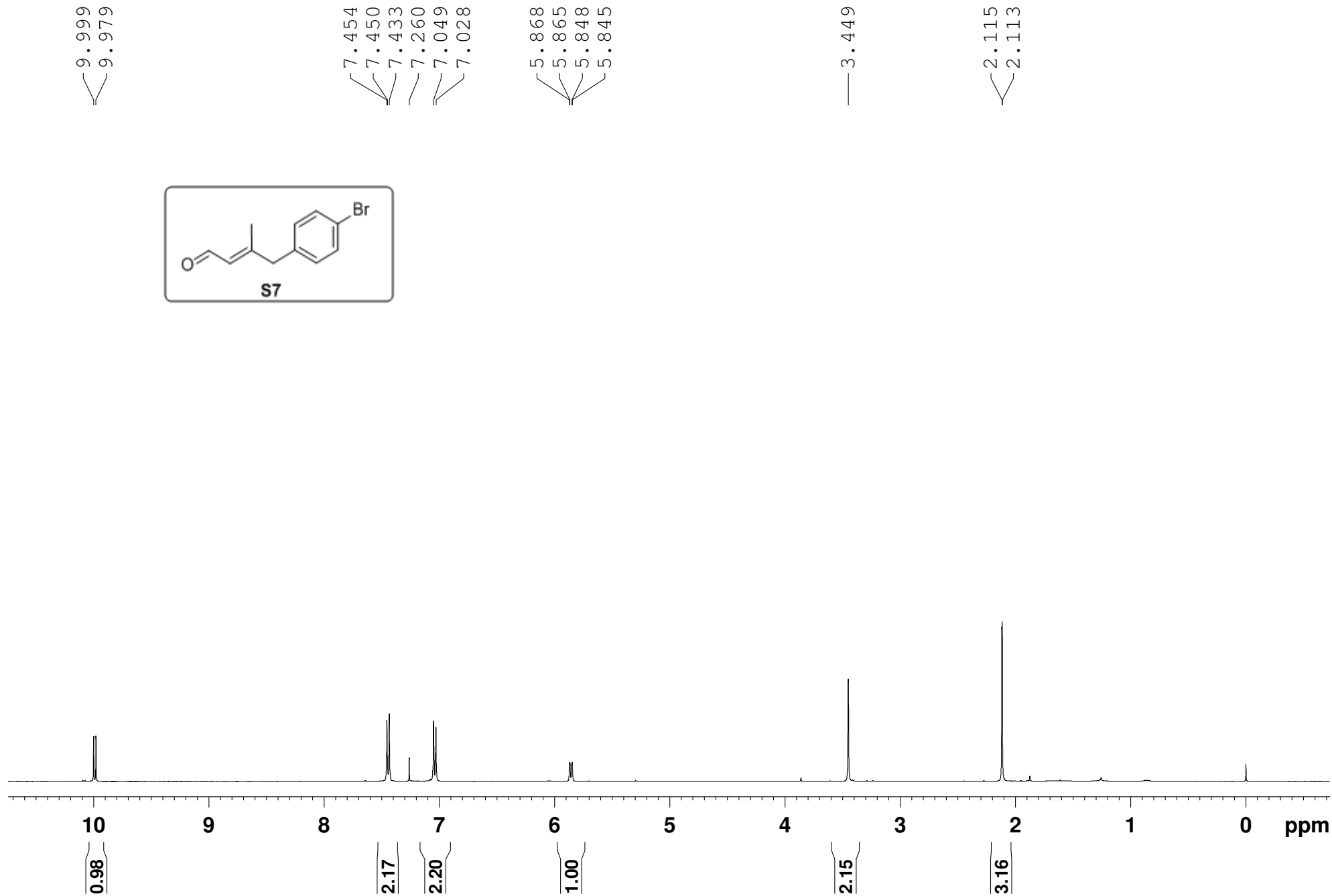
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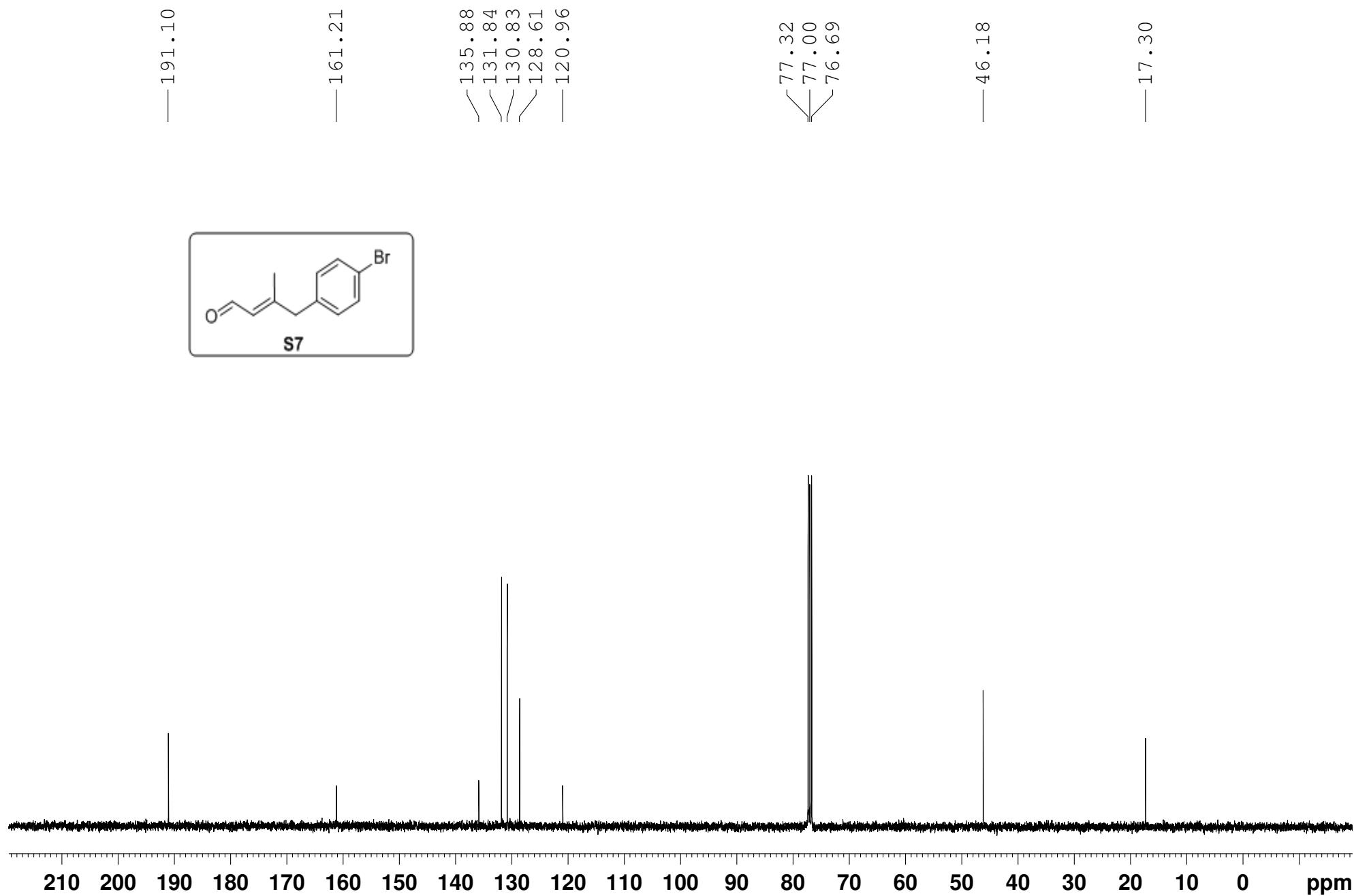
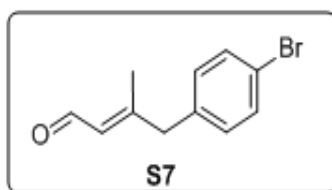
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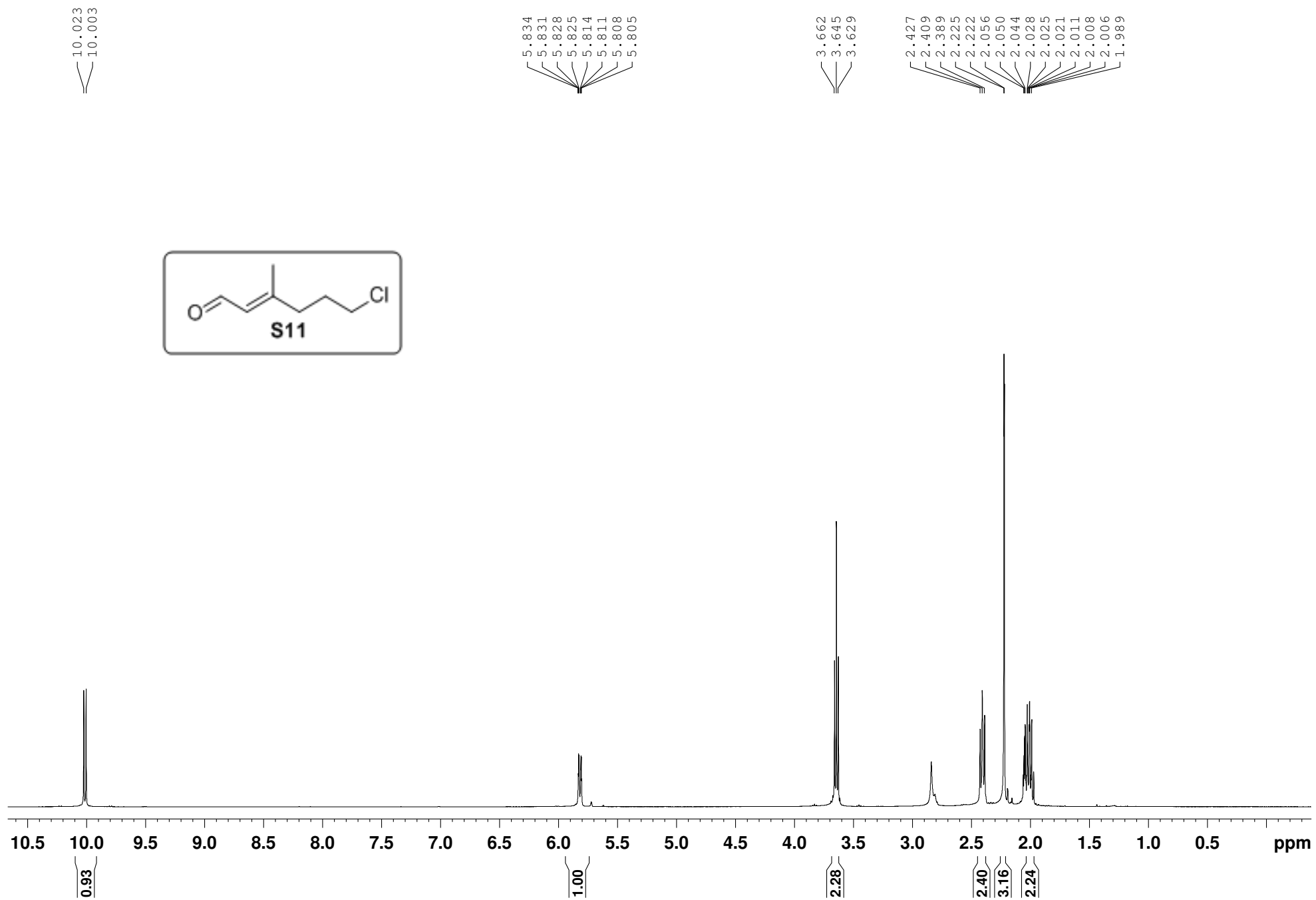
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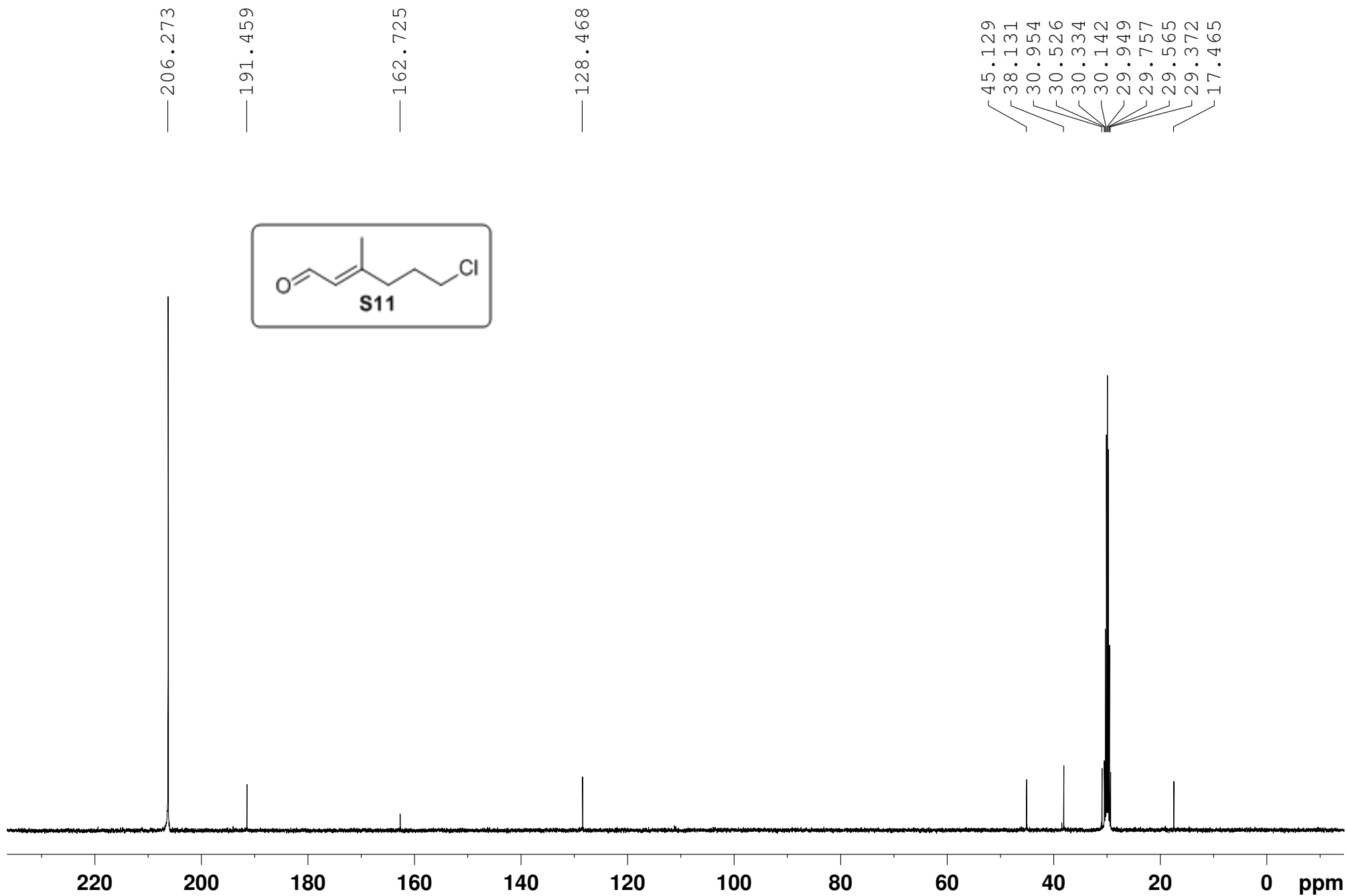
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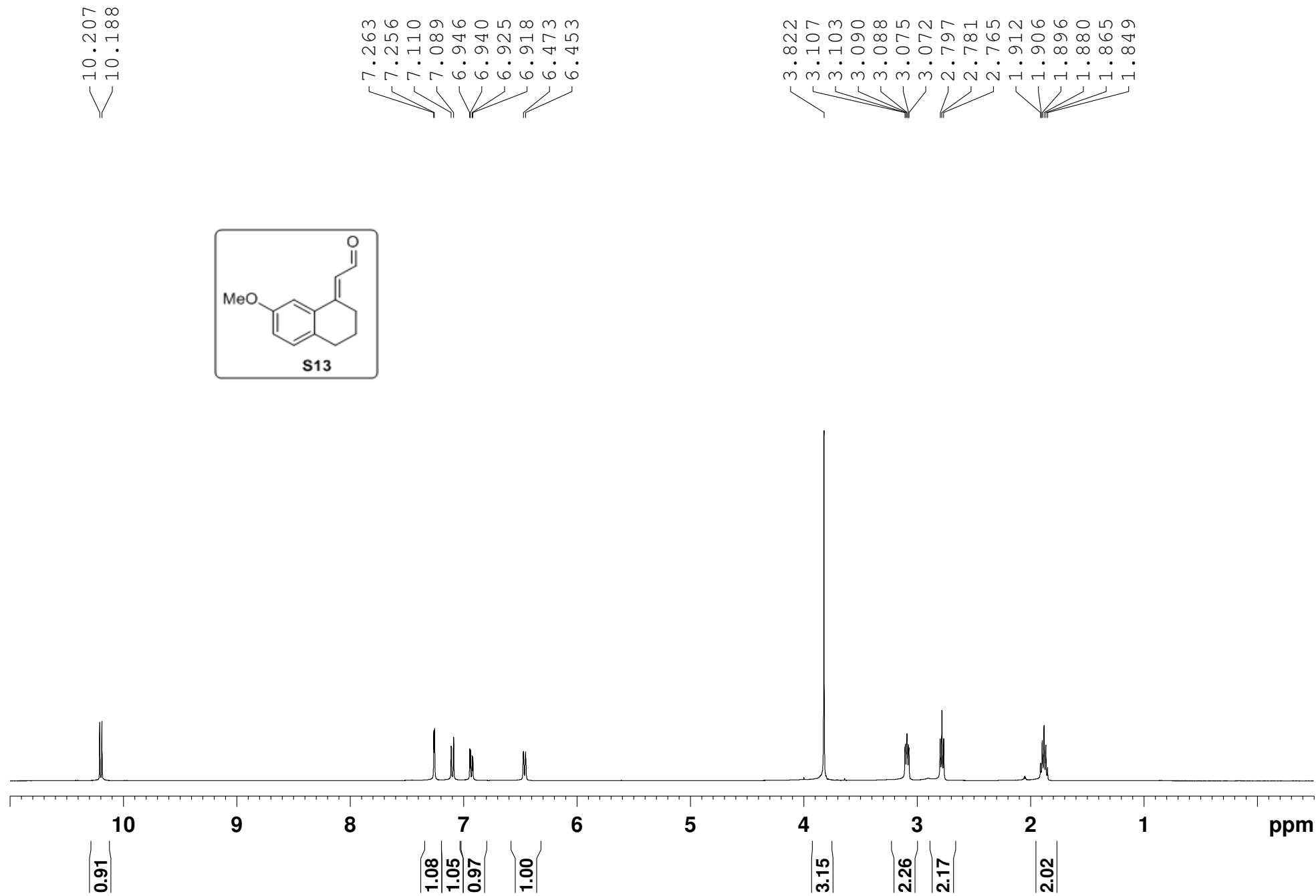


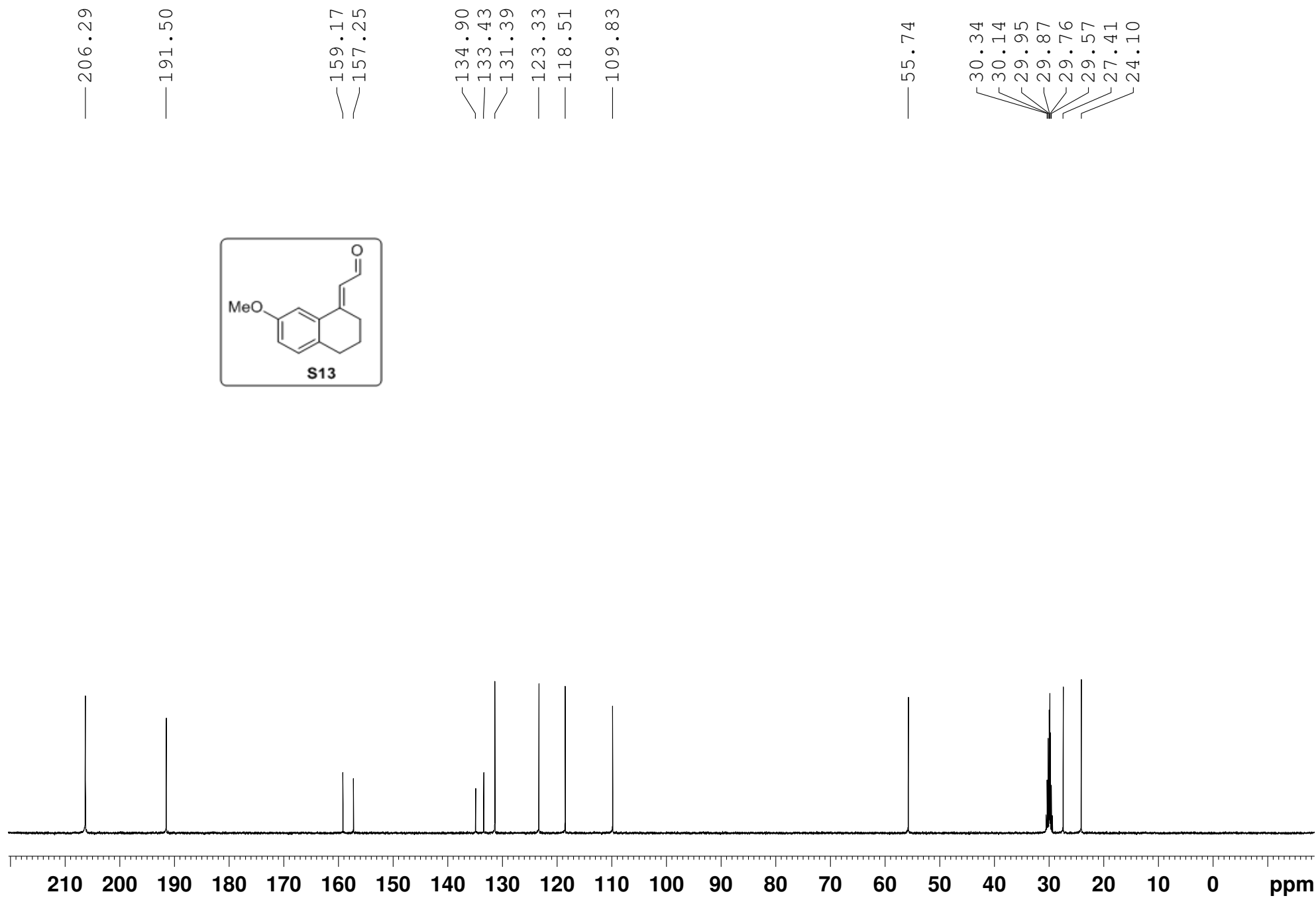


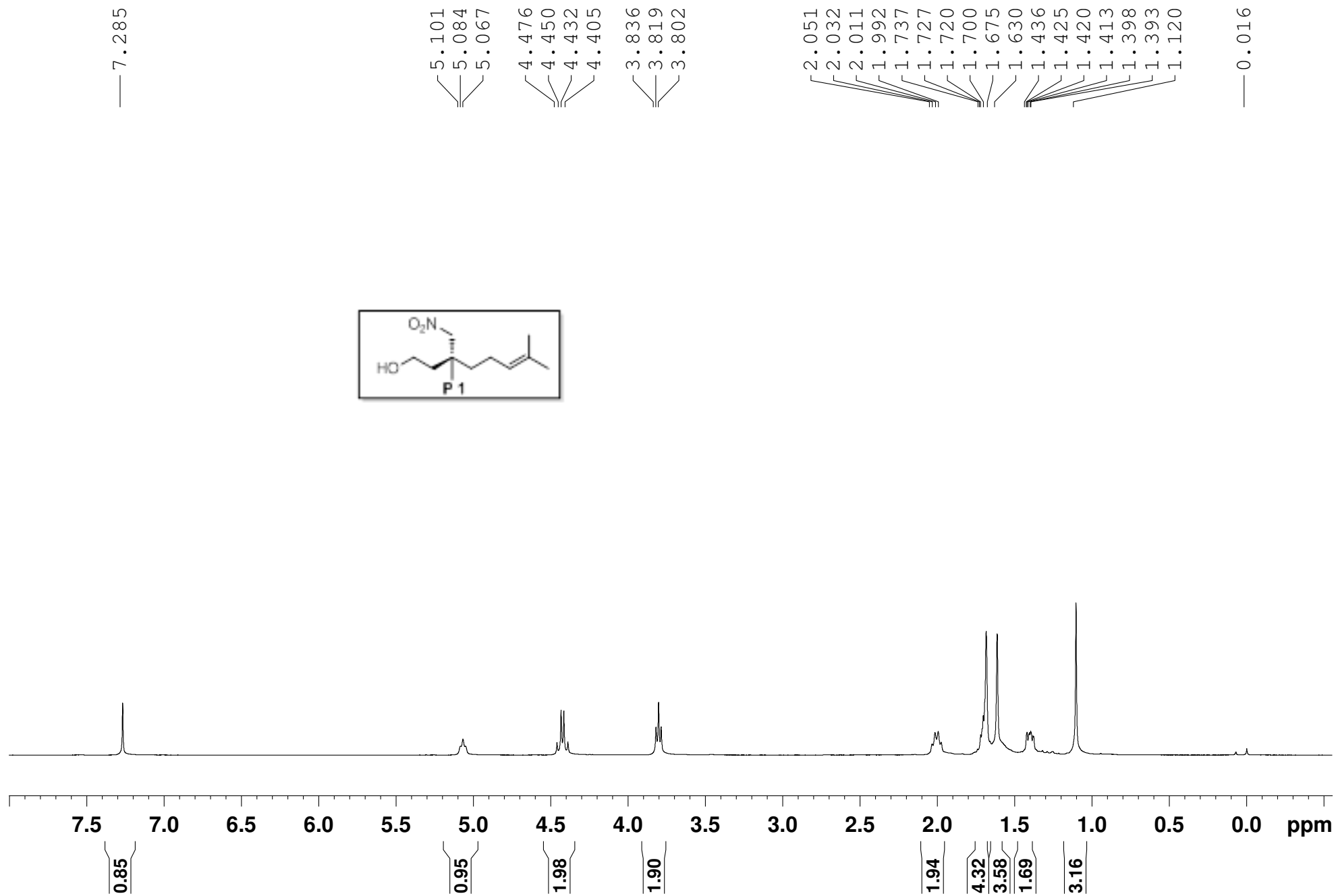


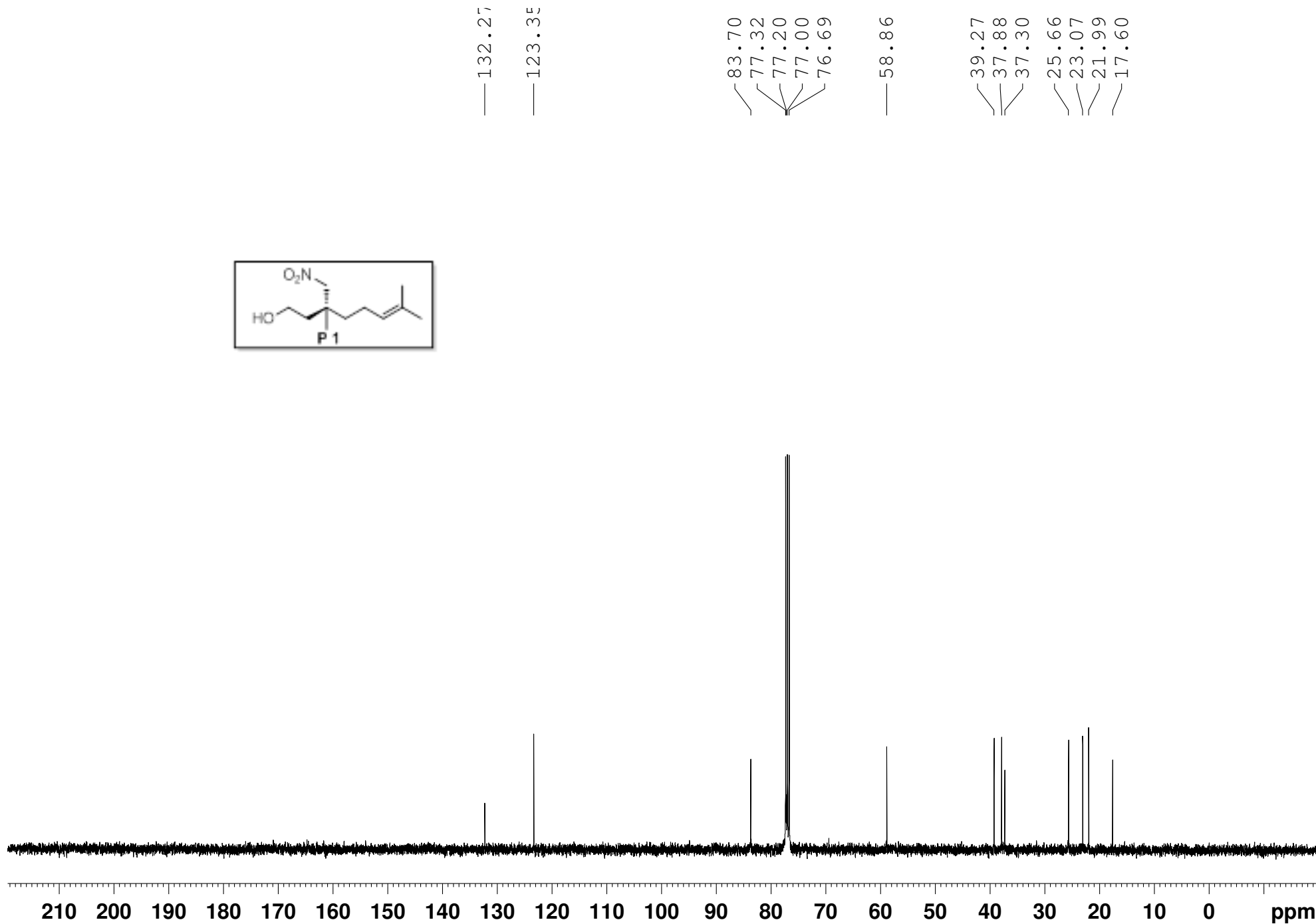
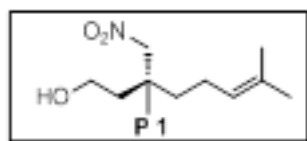




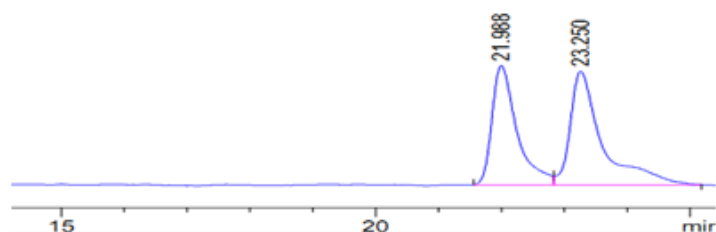
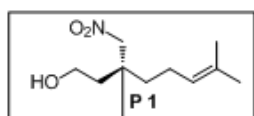






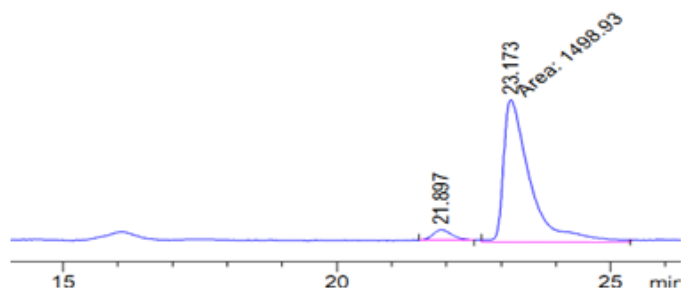


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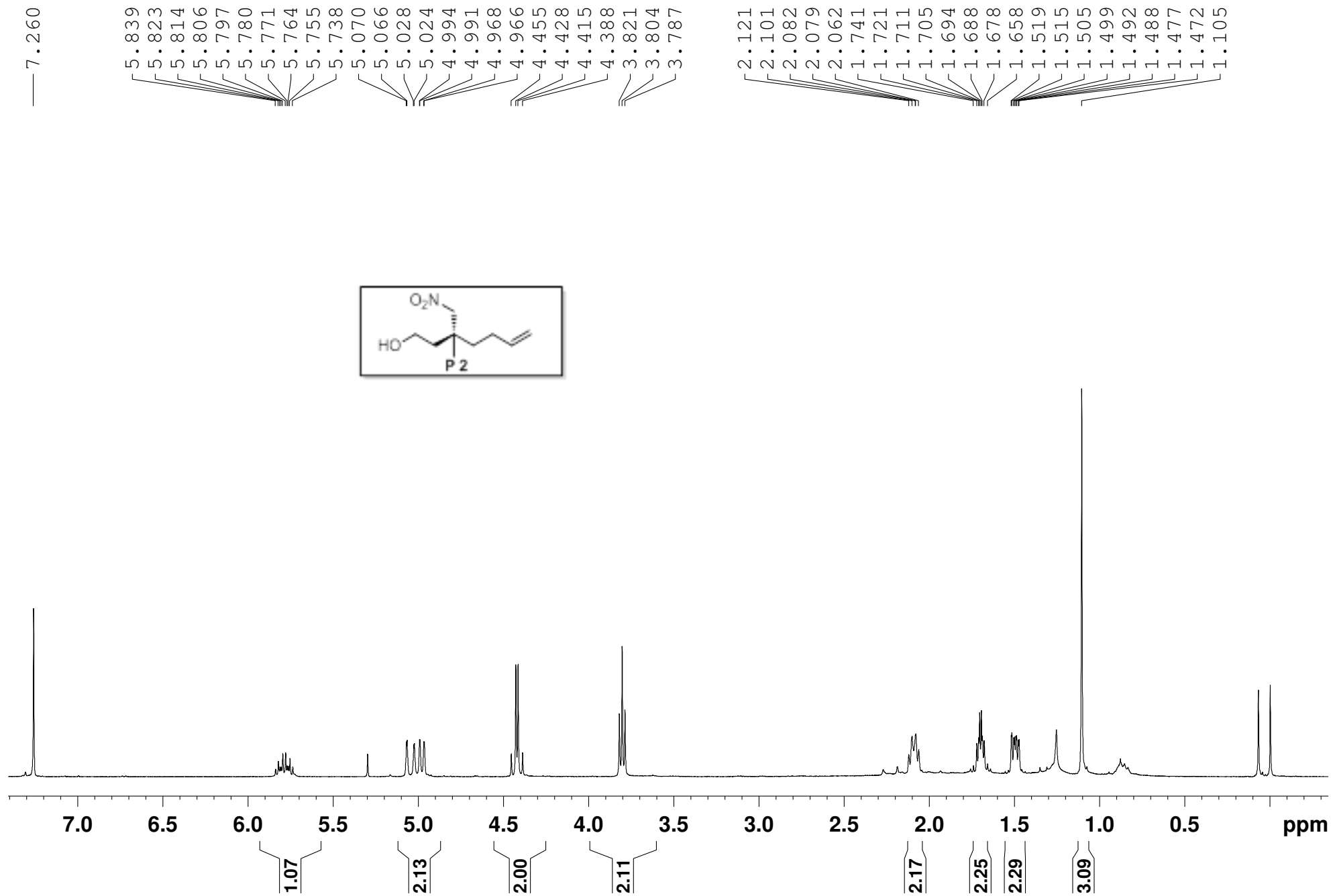


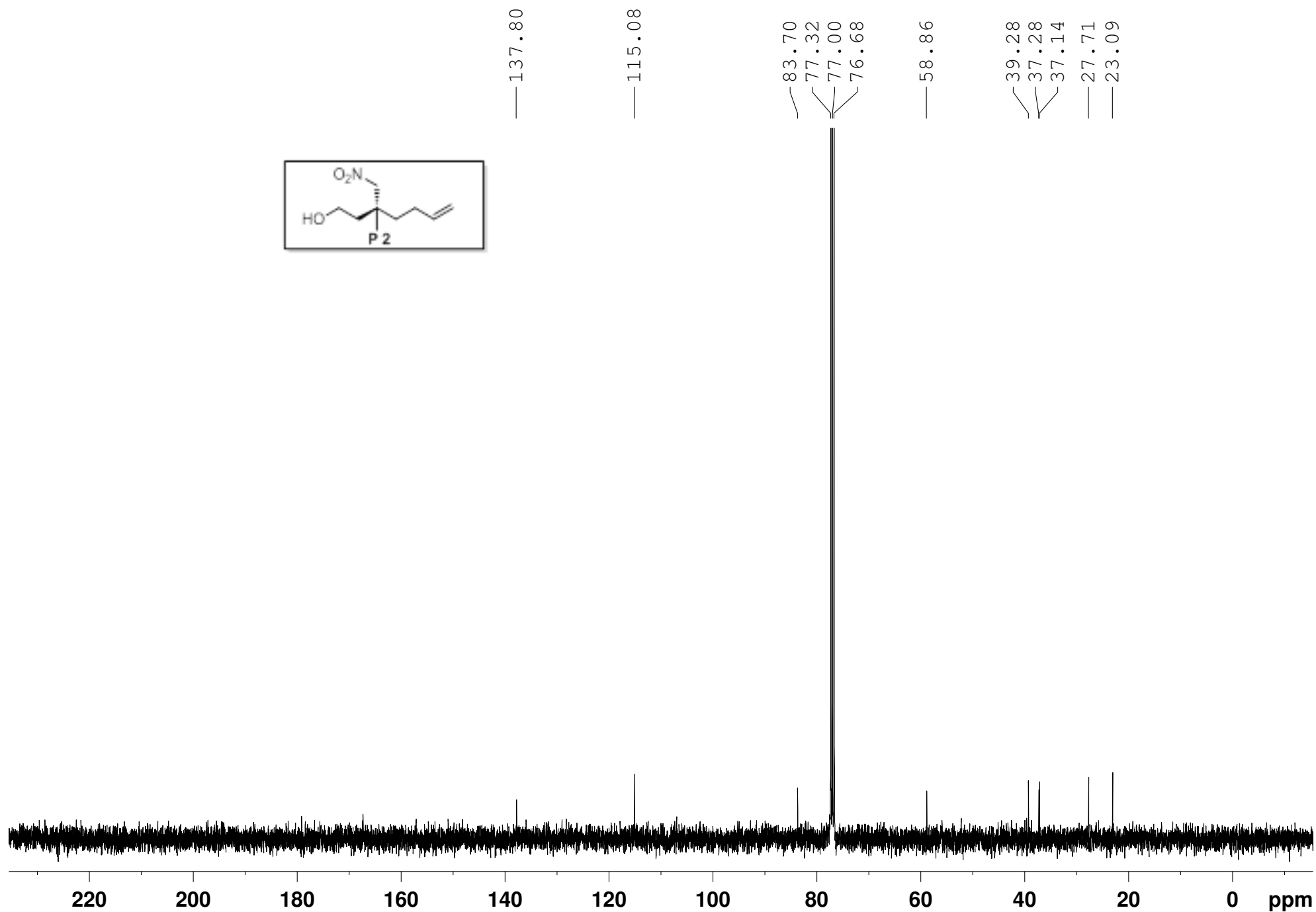
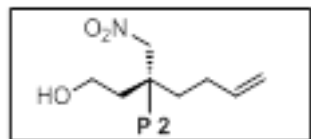
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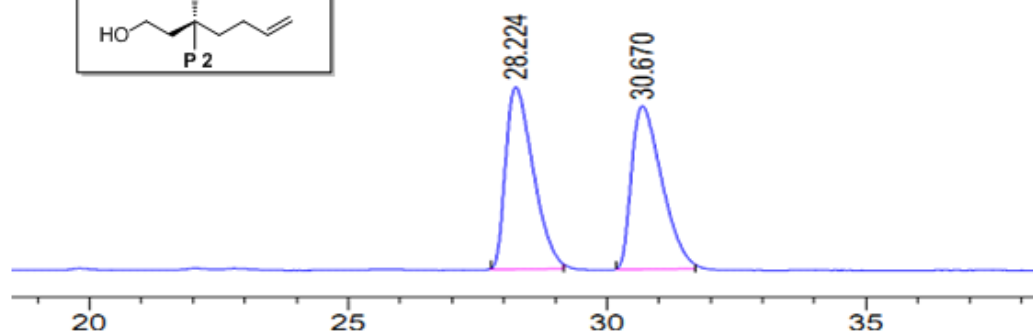
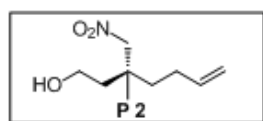


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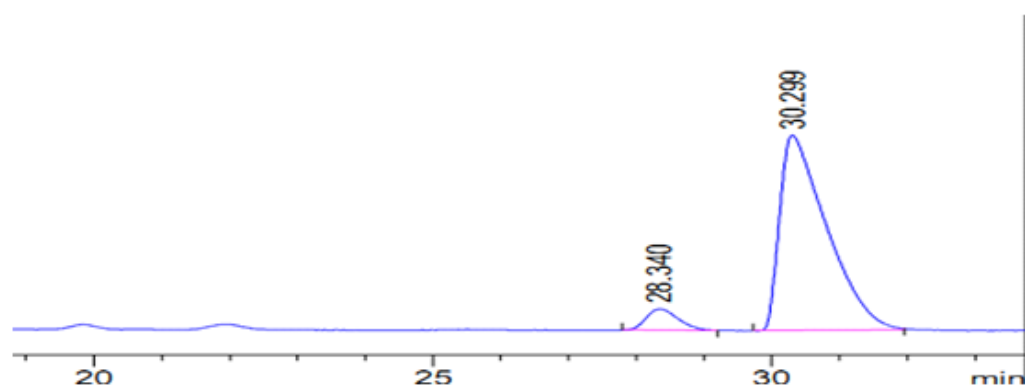


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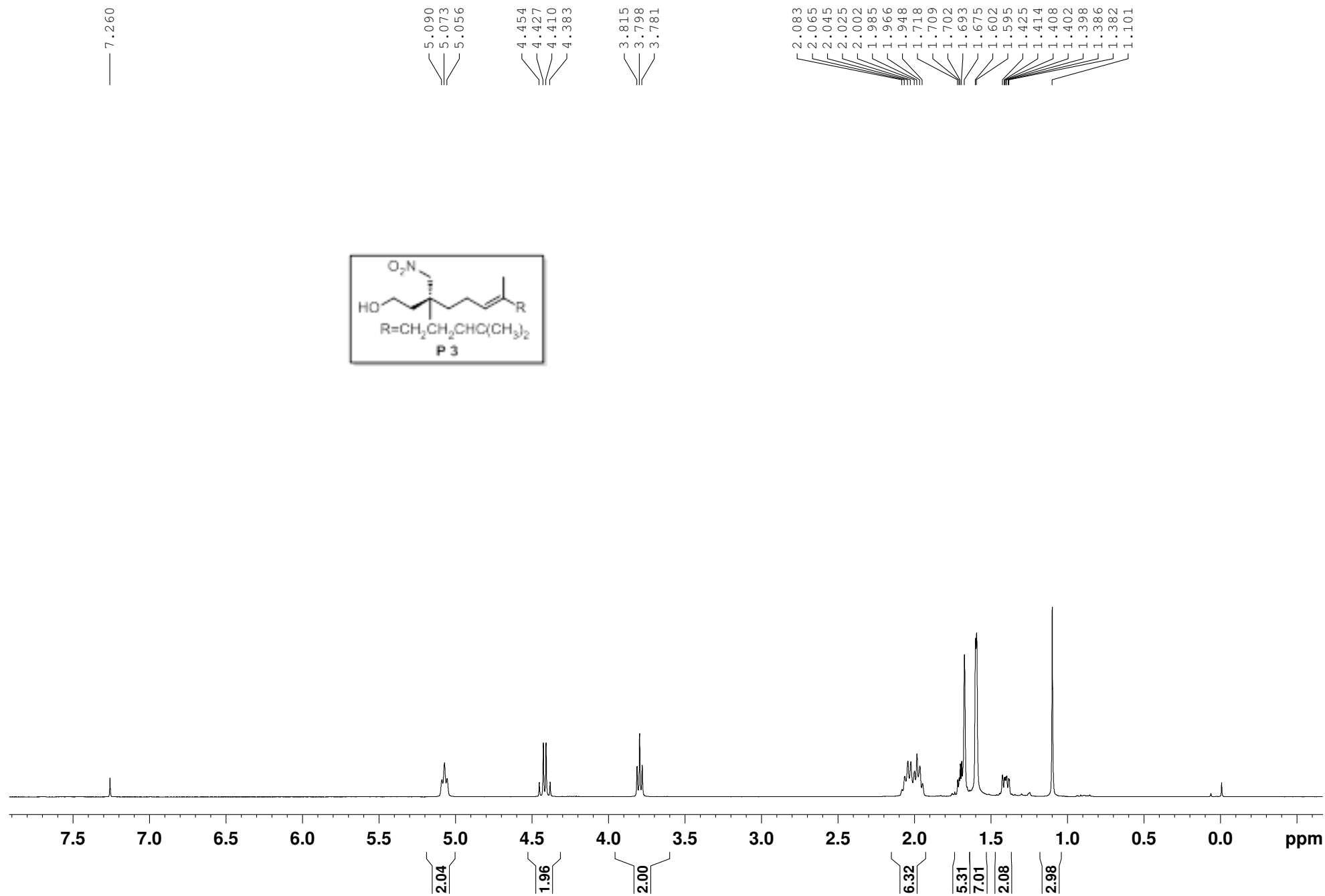


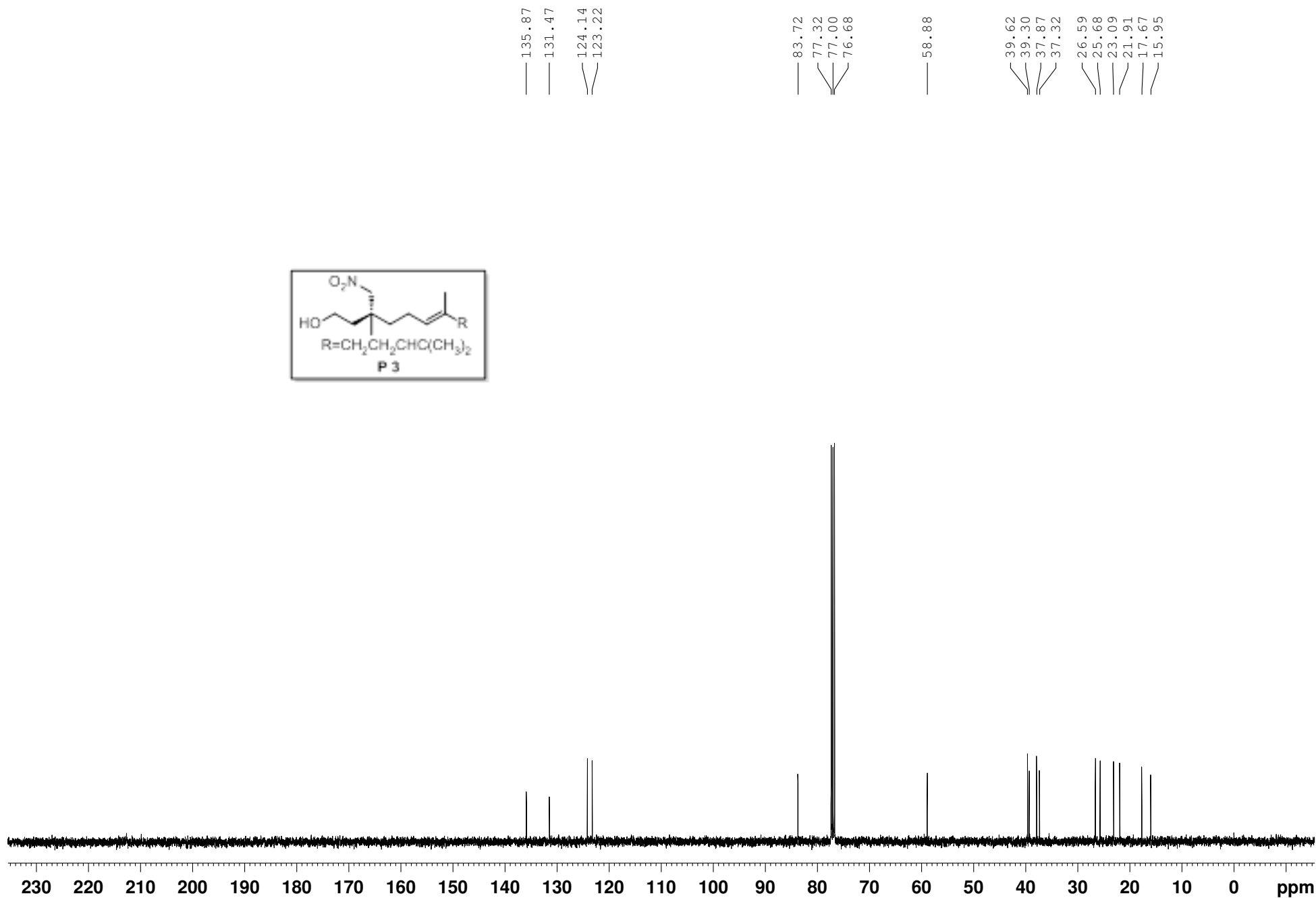
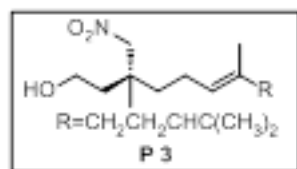
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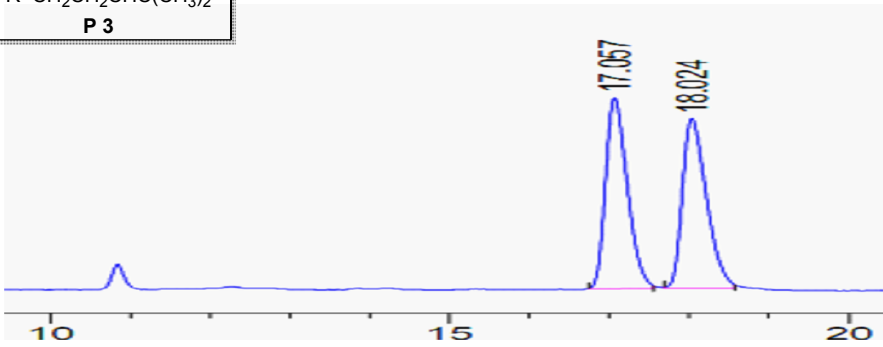
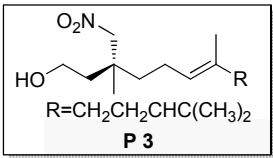


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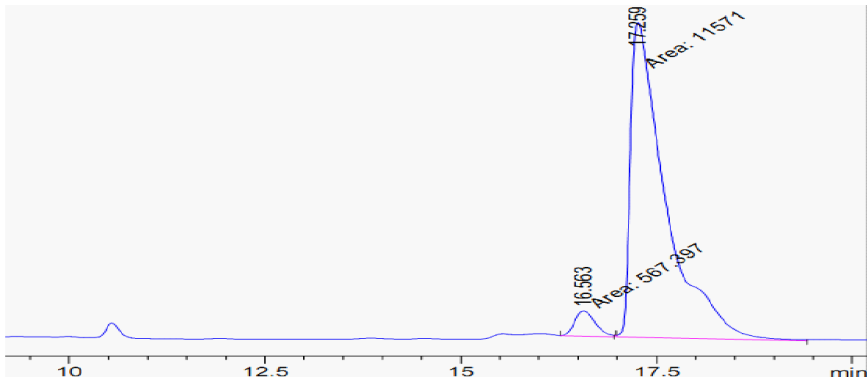


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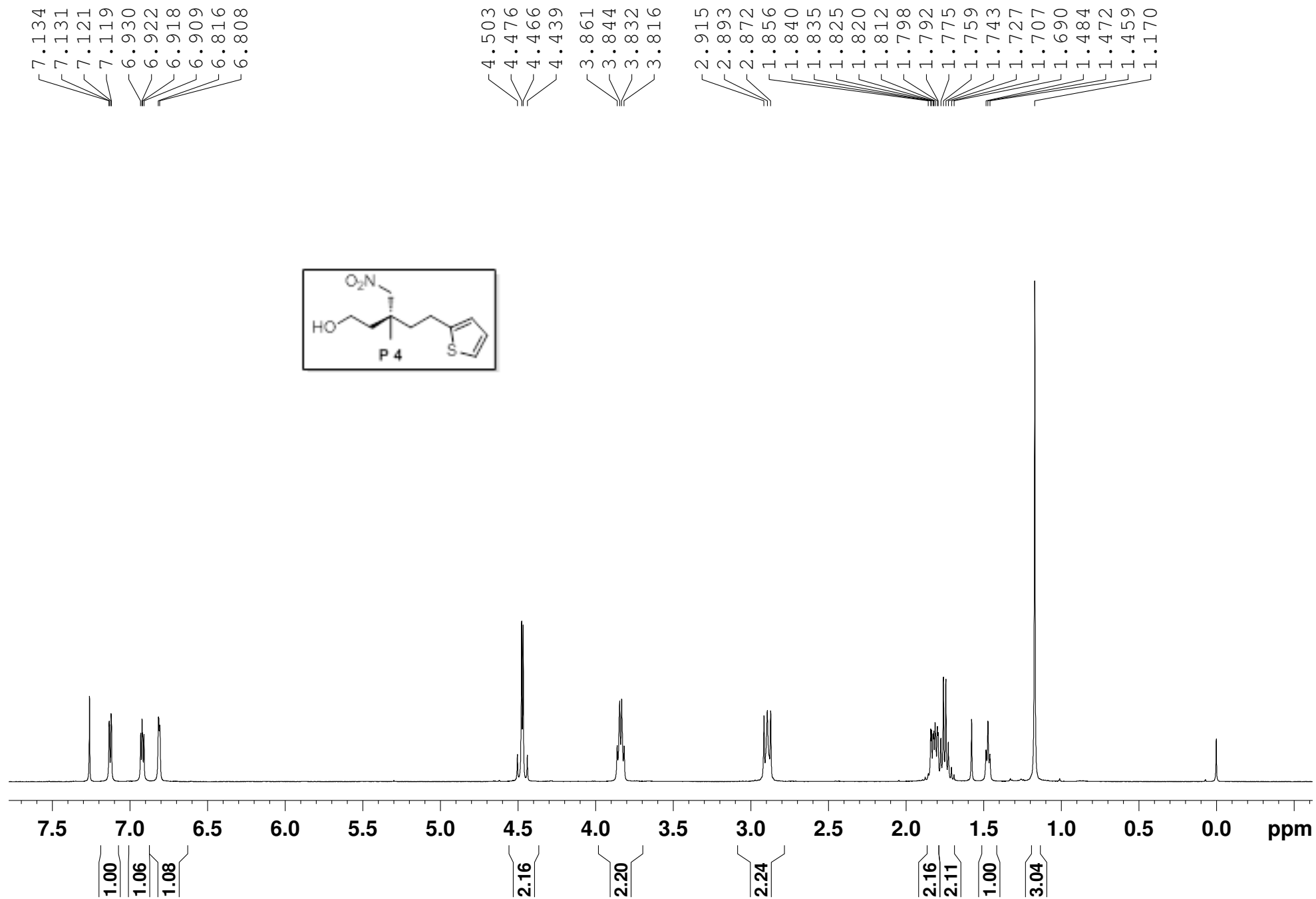


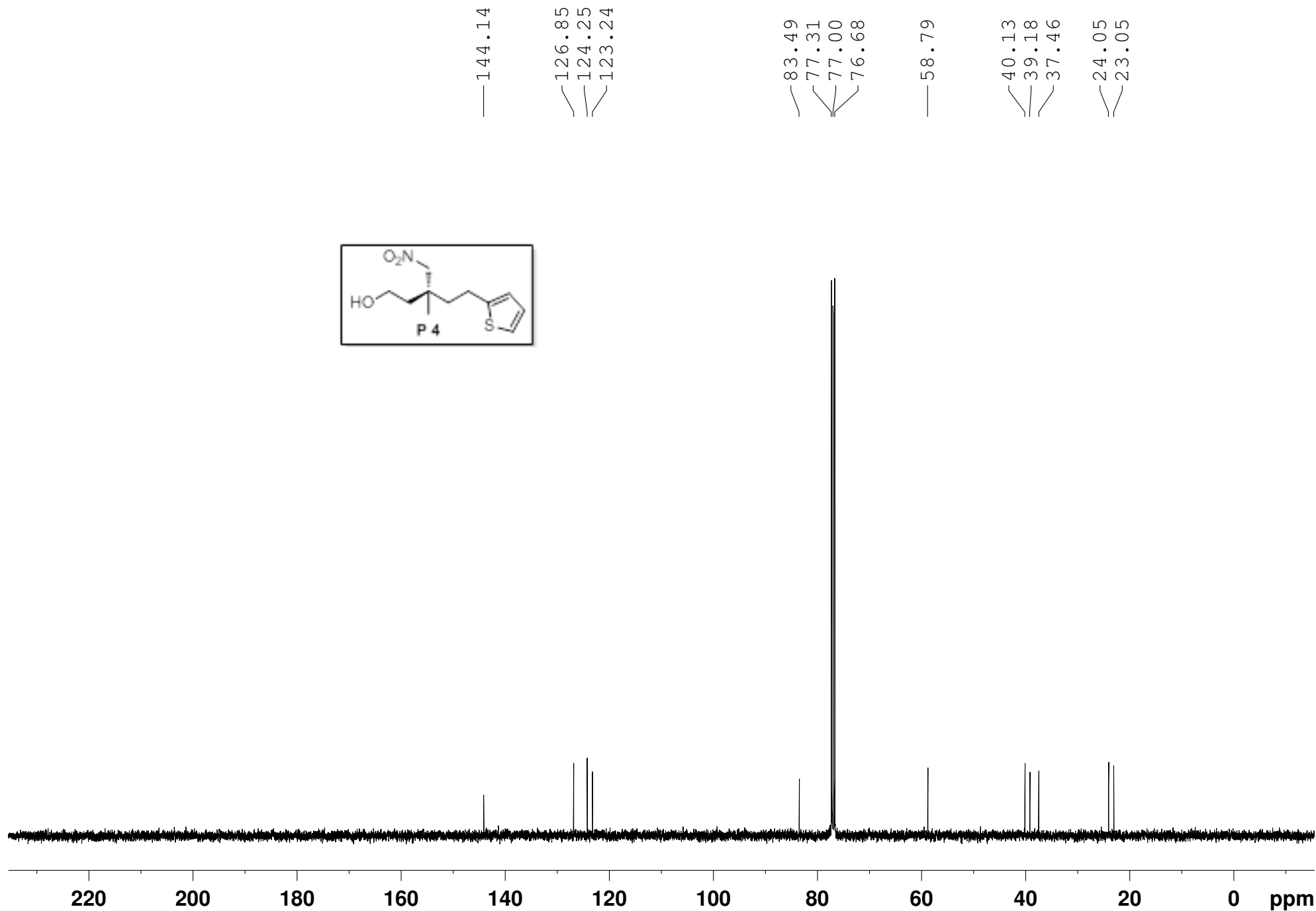
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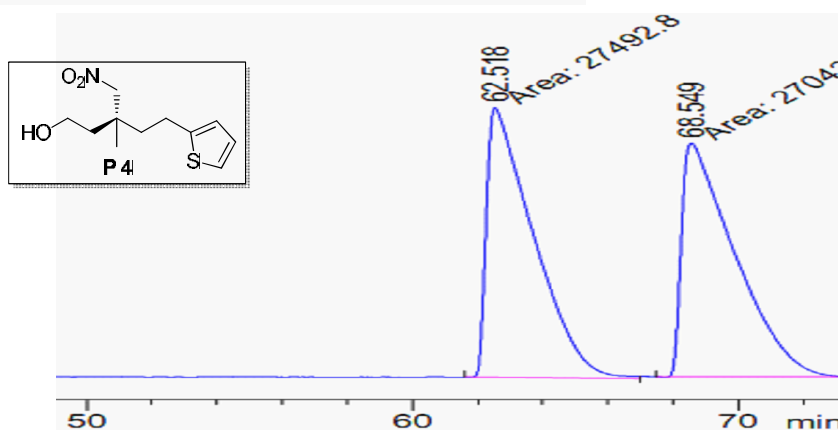


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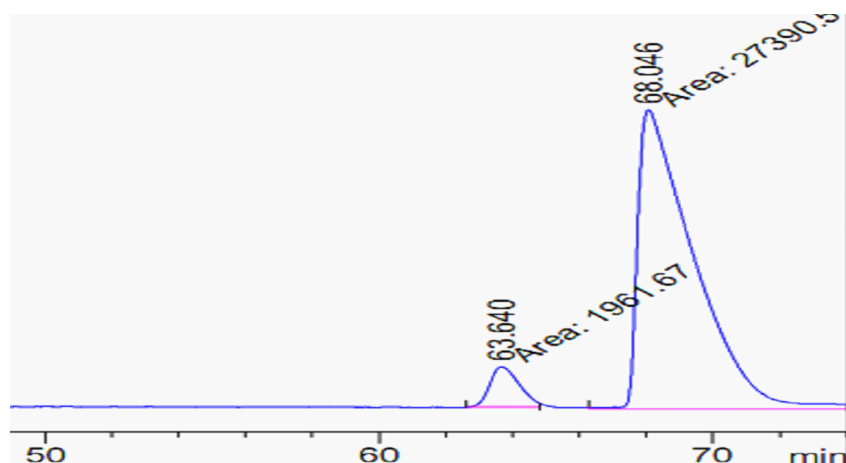


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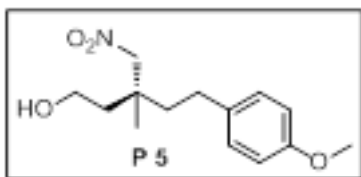
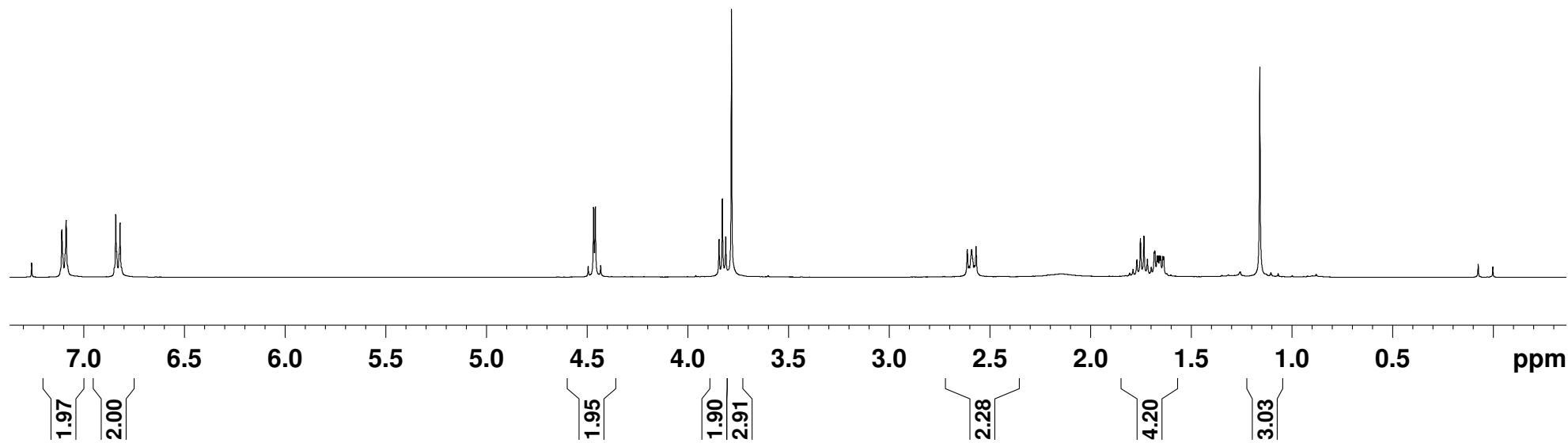


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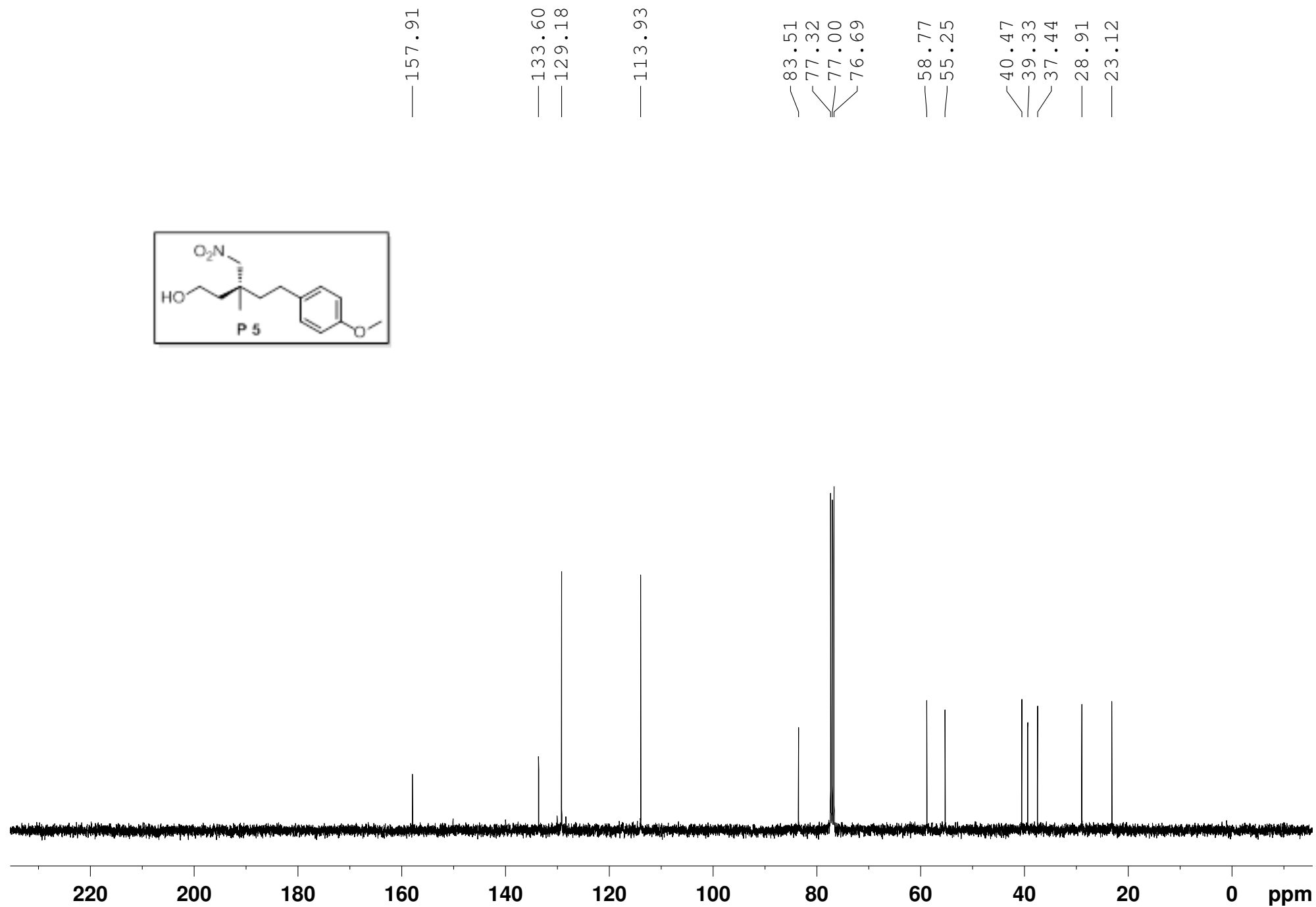
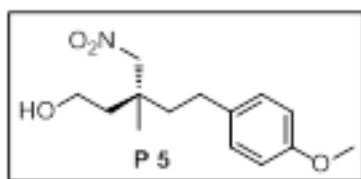


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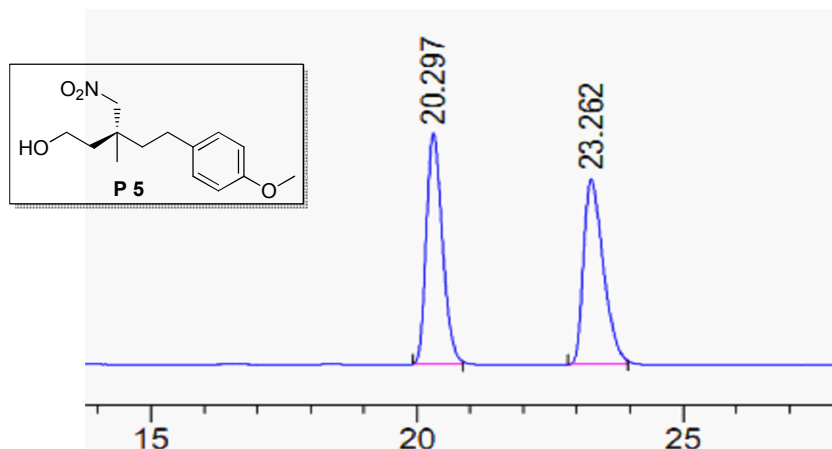
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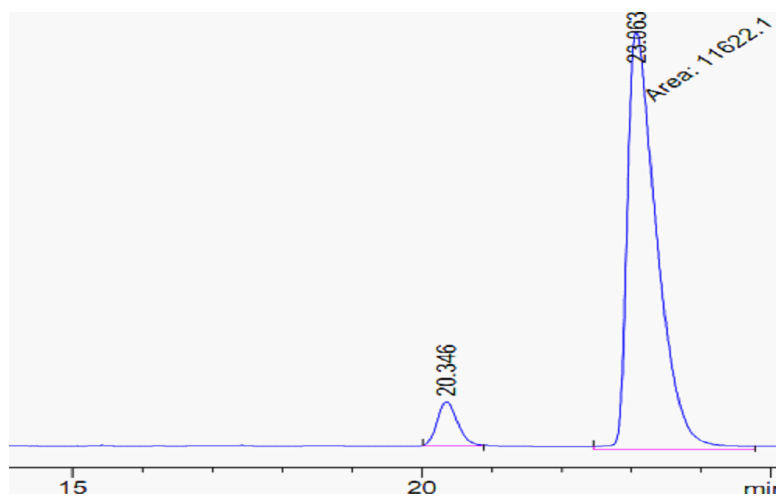


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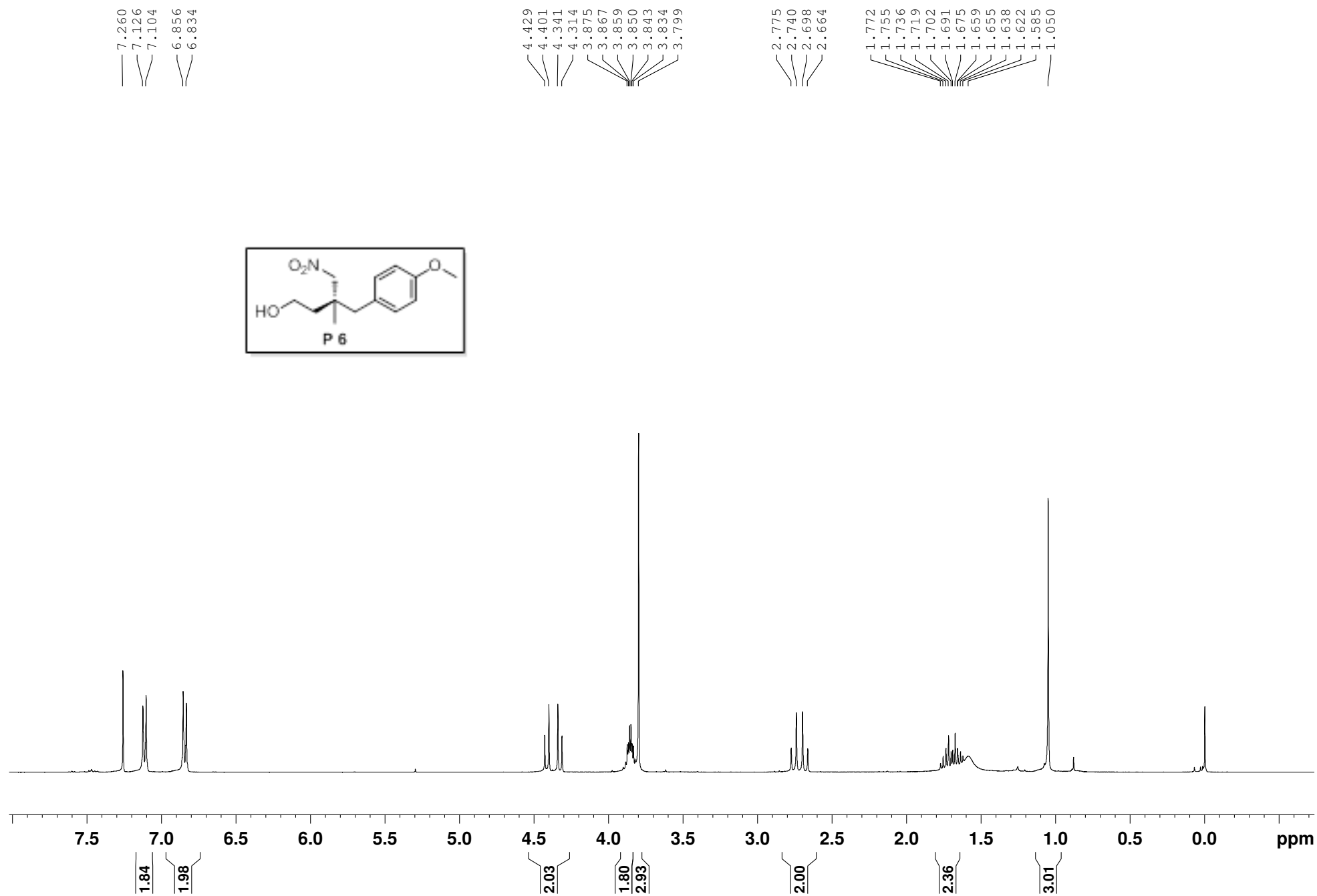


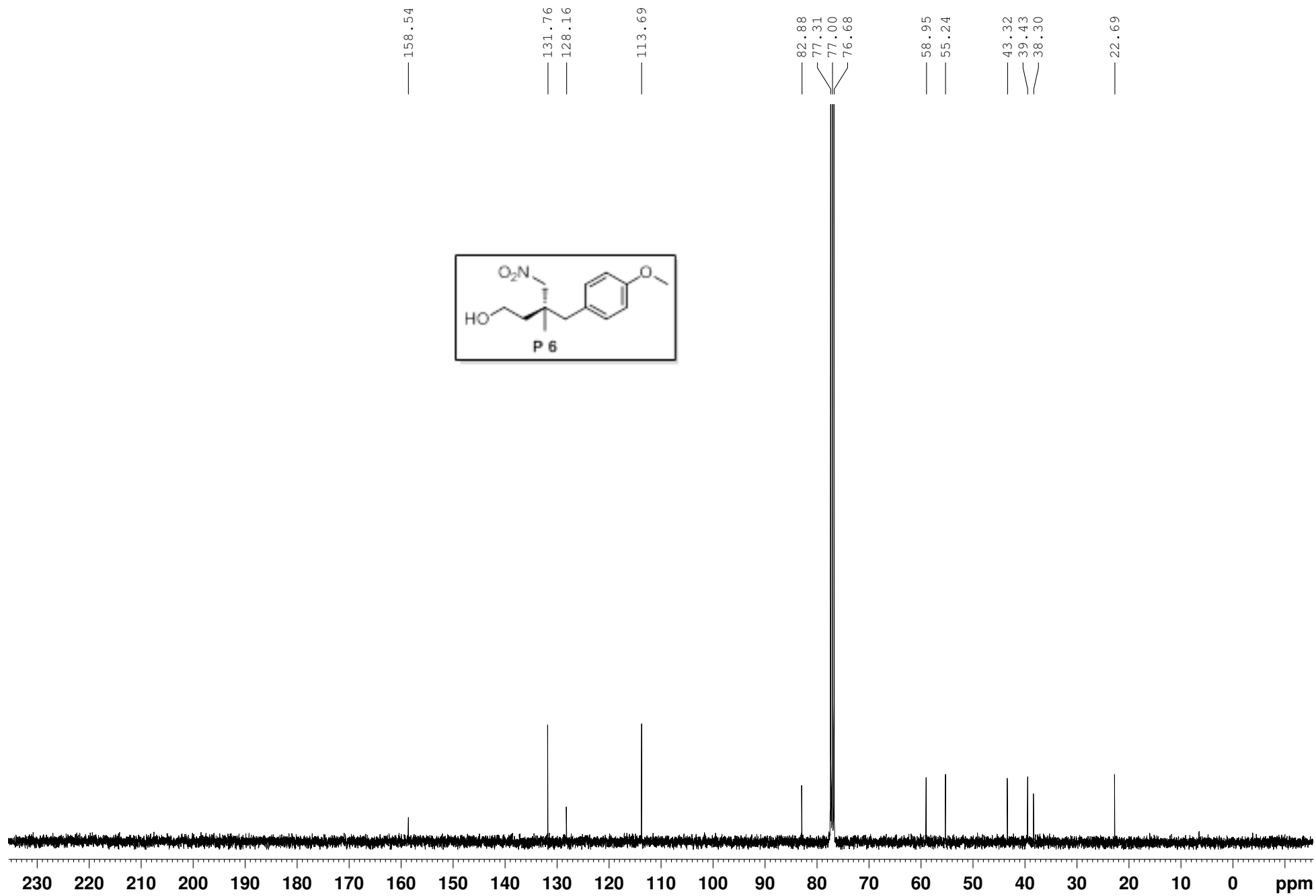
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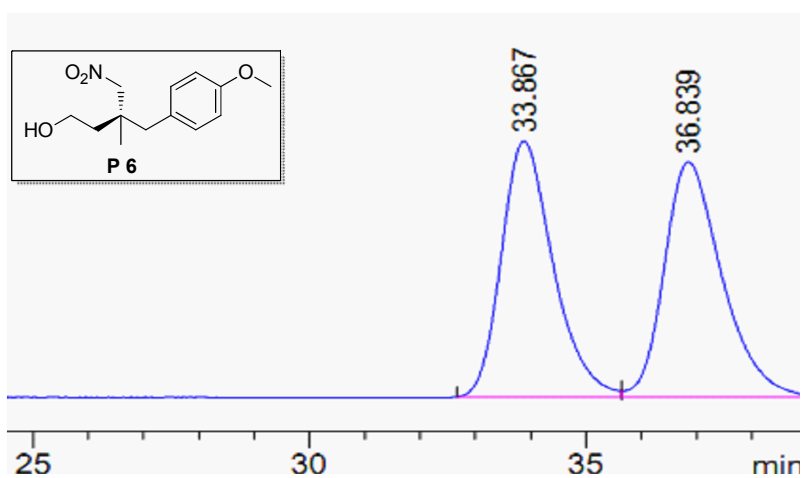


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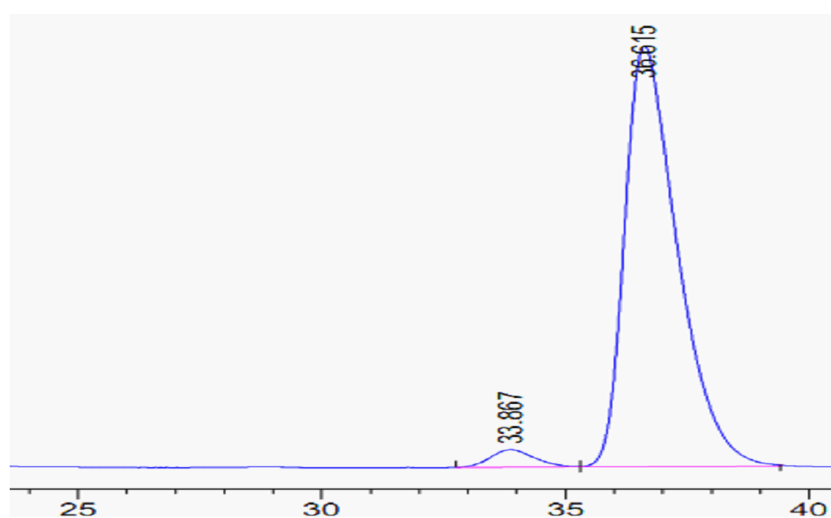


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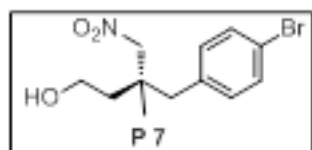
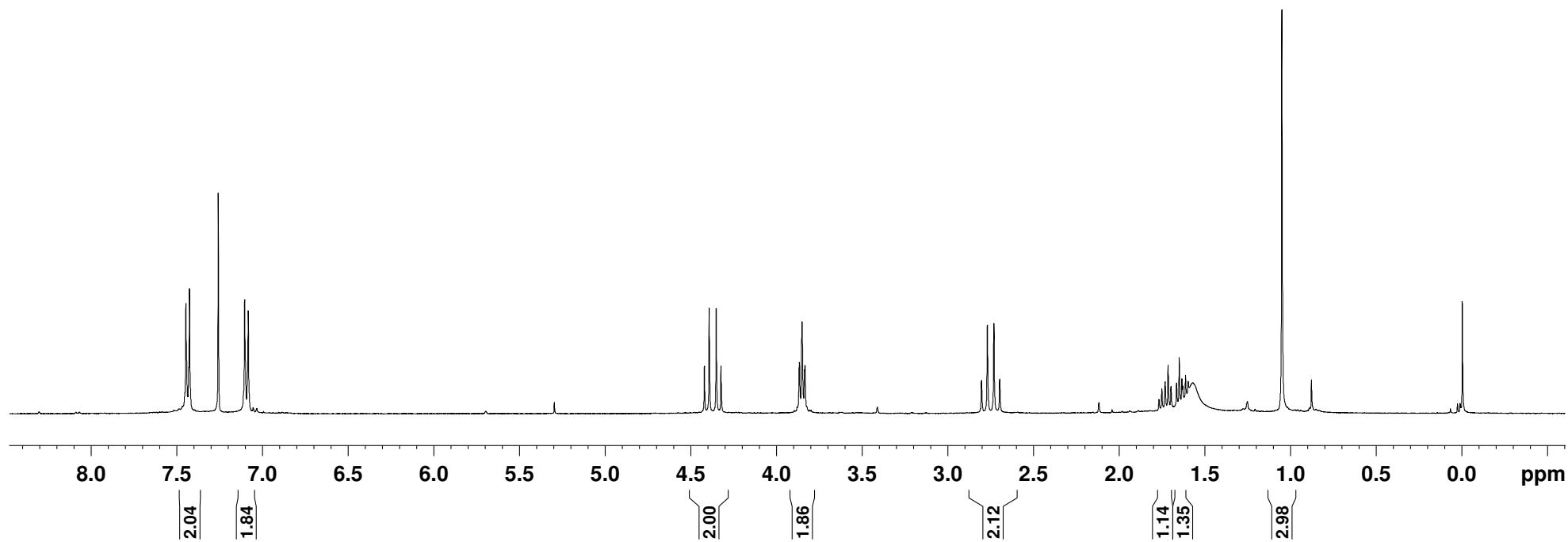


Signal 1: DAD1 B, Sig=230,10 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	33.867	BV	1.0002	8599.30957	131.27686	49.5032
2	36.839	VB	1.1051	8771.89258	120.53057	50.4968



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	33.867	BV	0.9450	1206.83374	18.79728	3.4435
2	36.615	VB	1.1467	3.38403e4	447.27518	96.5565



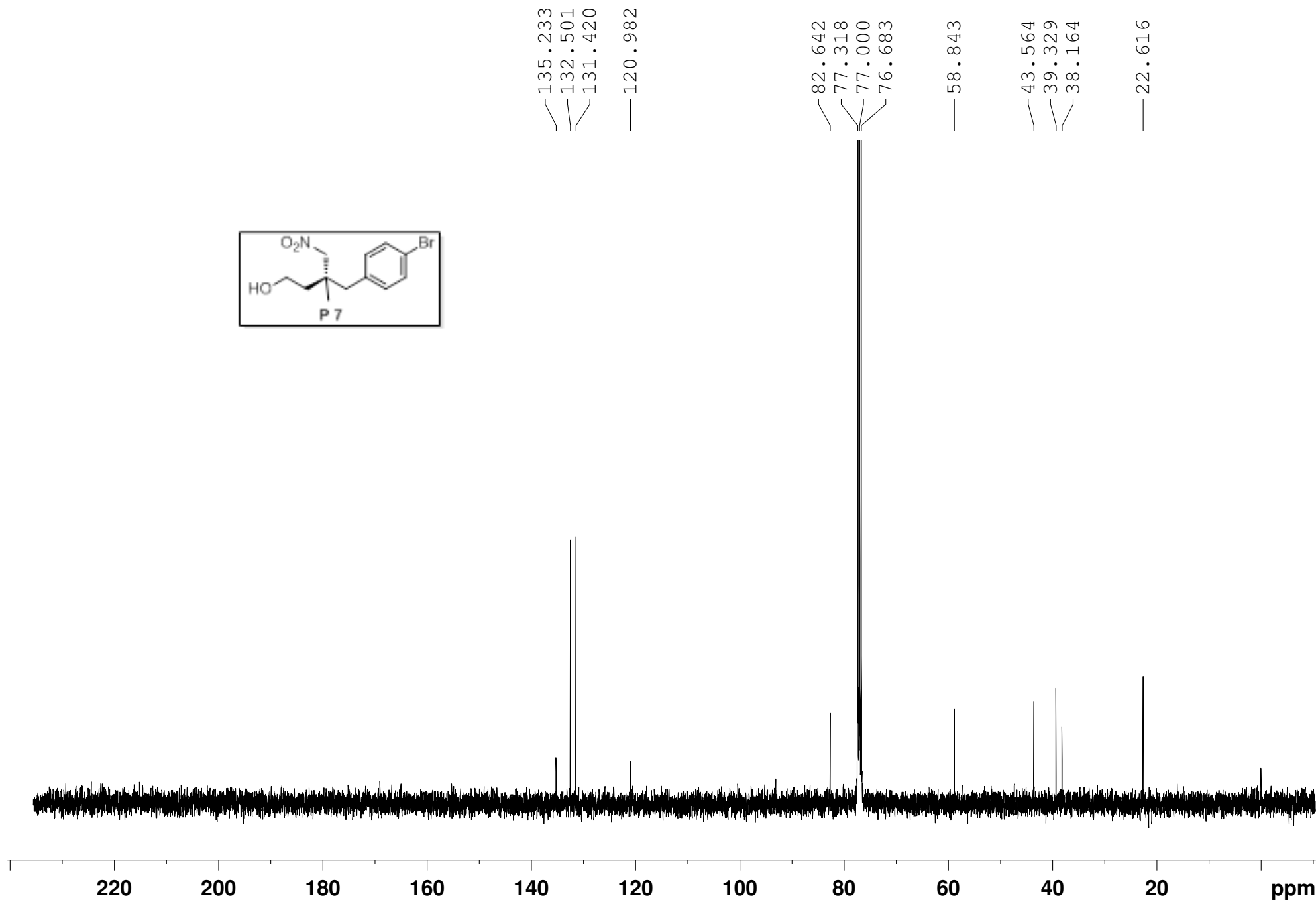
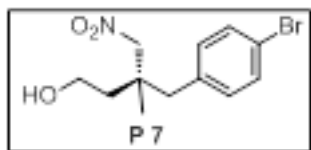
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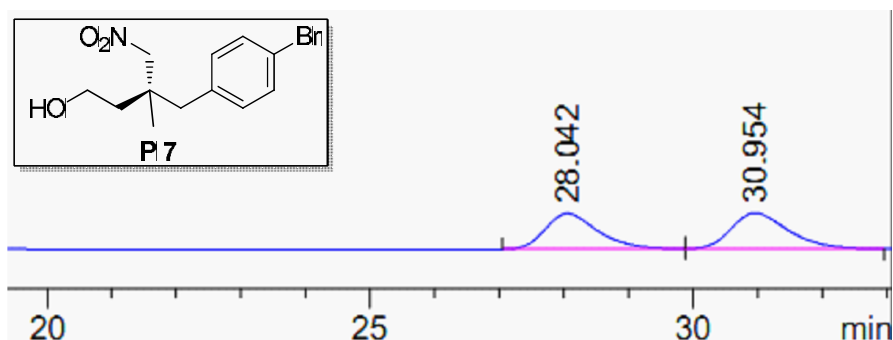
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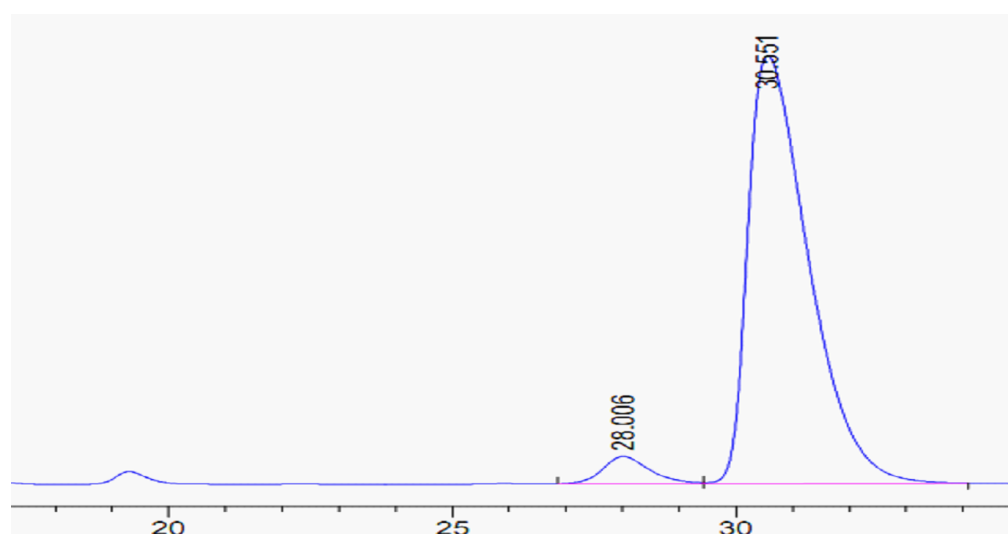


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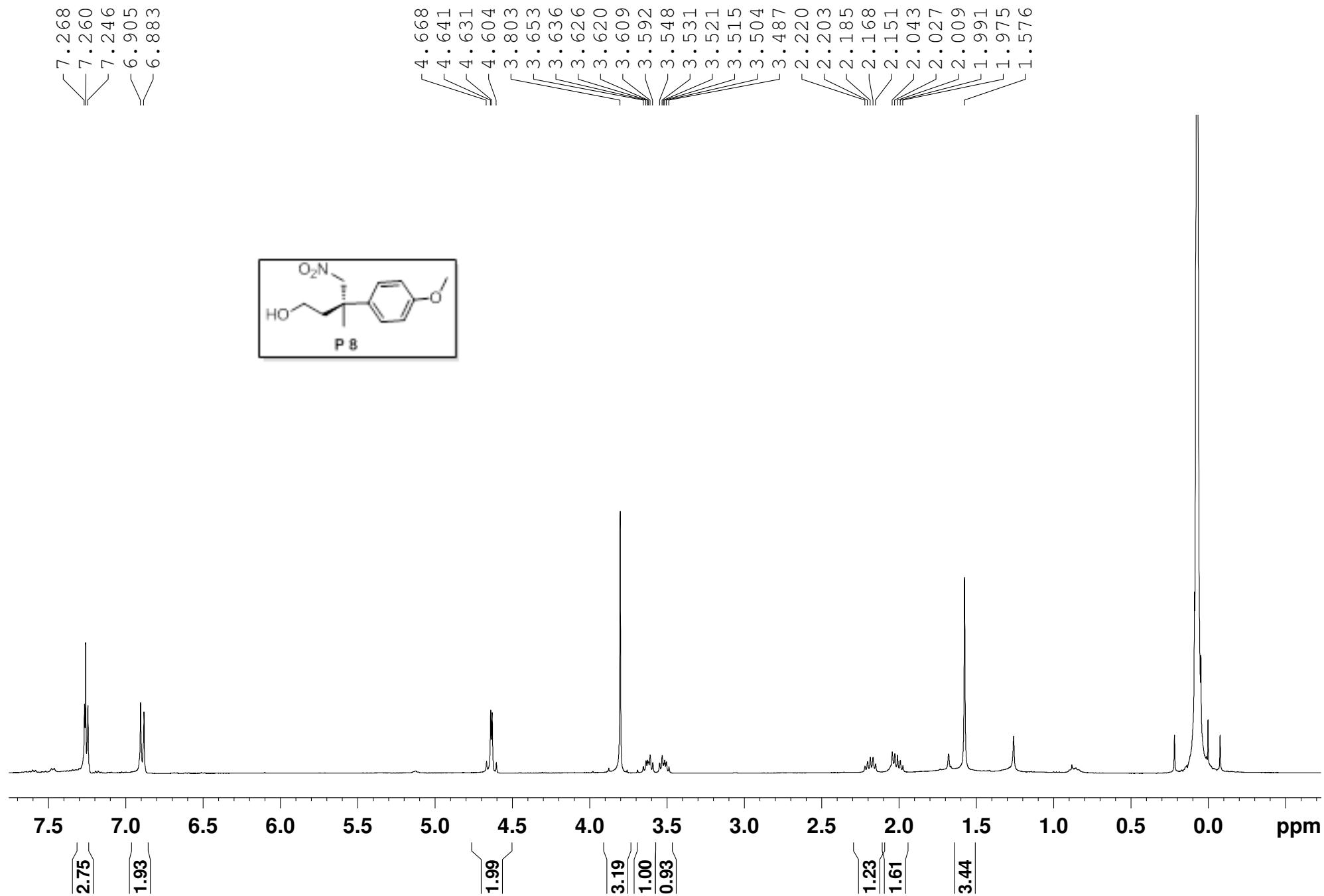


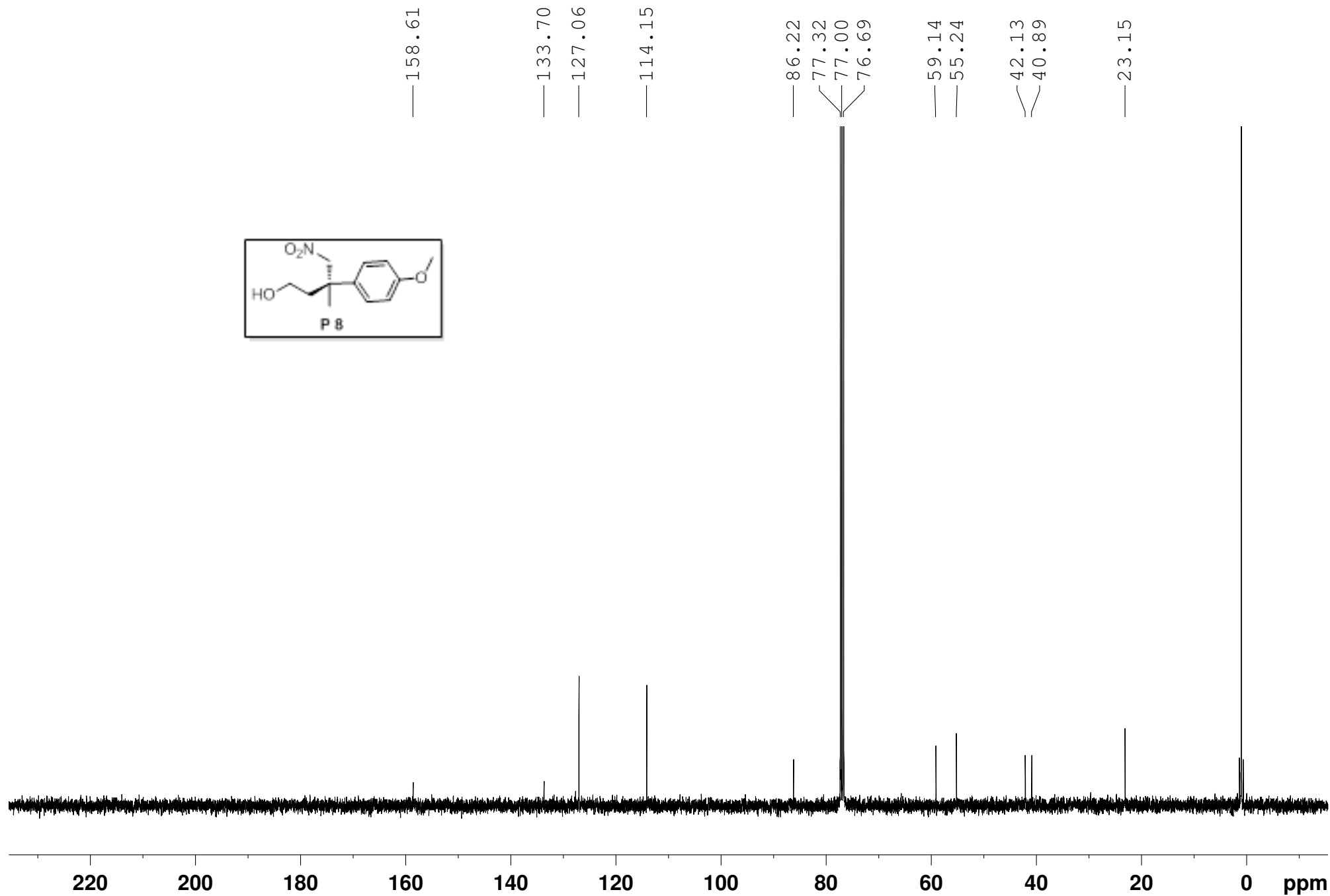
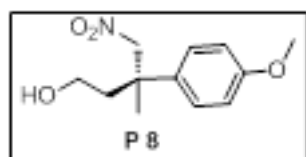
Signal 1: DAD1 B, Sig=230,10 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	28.042	BB	0.8762	4280.18799	74.29037	47.6748
2	30.954	BB	0.9516	4697.69922	74.91782	52.3252

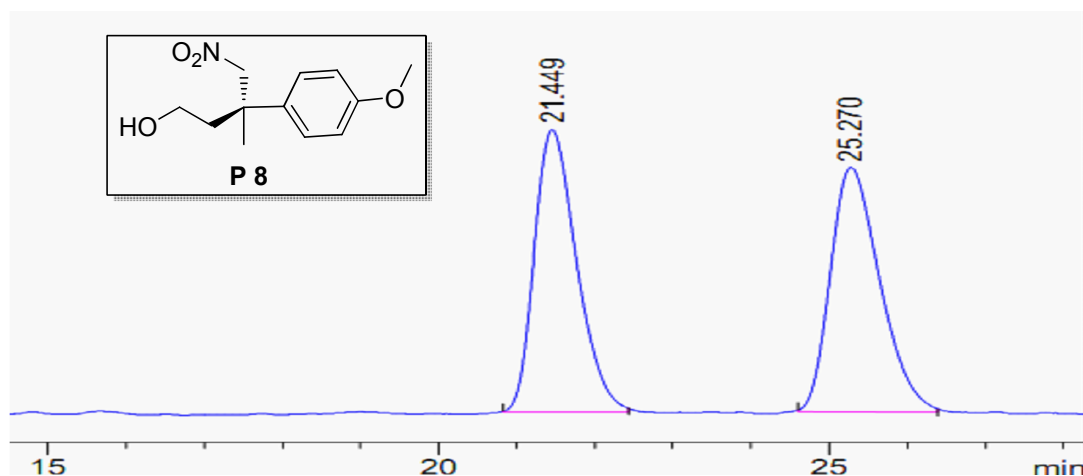


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1	28.006	BV	0.8858	4478.40820	76.18421	4.8796
2	30.551	VB	1.1320	8.73004e4	1173.40027	95.1204



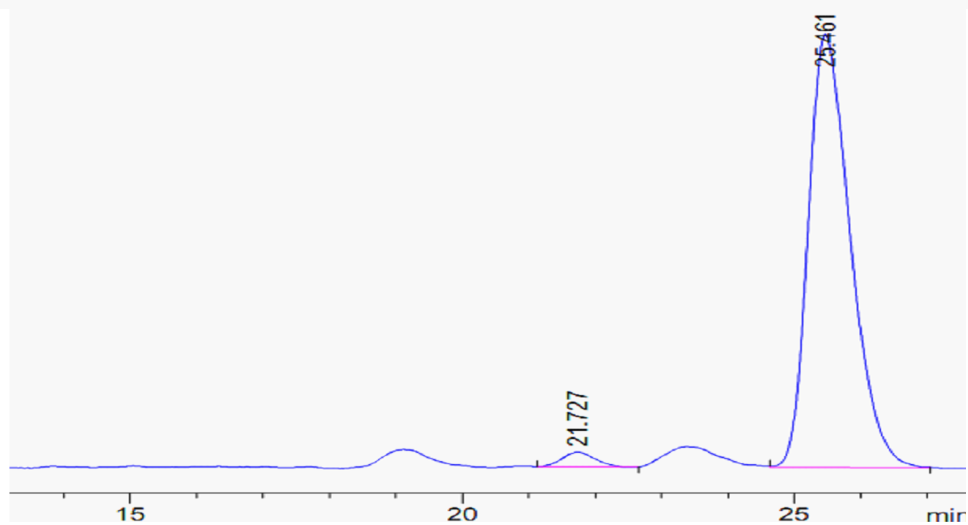


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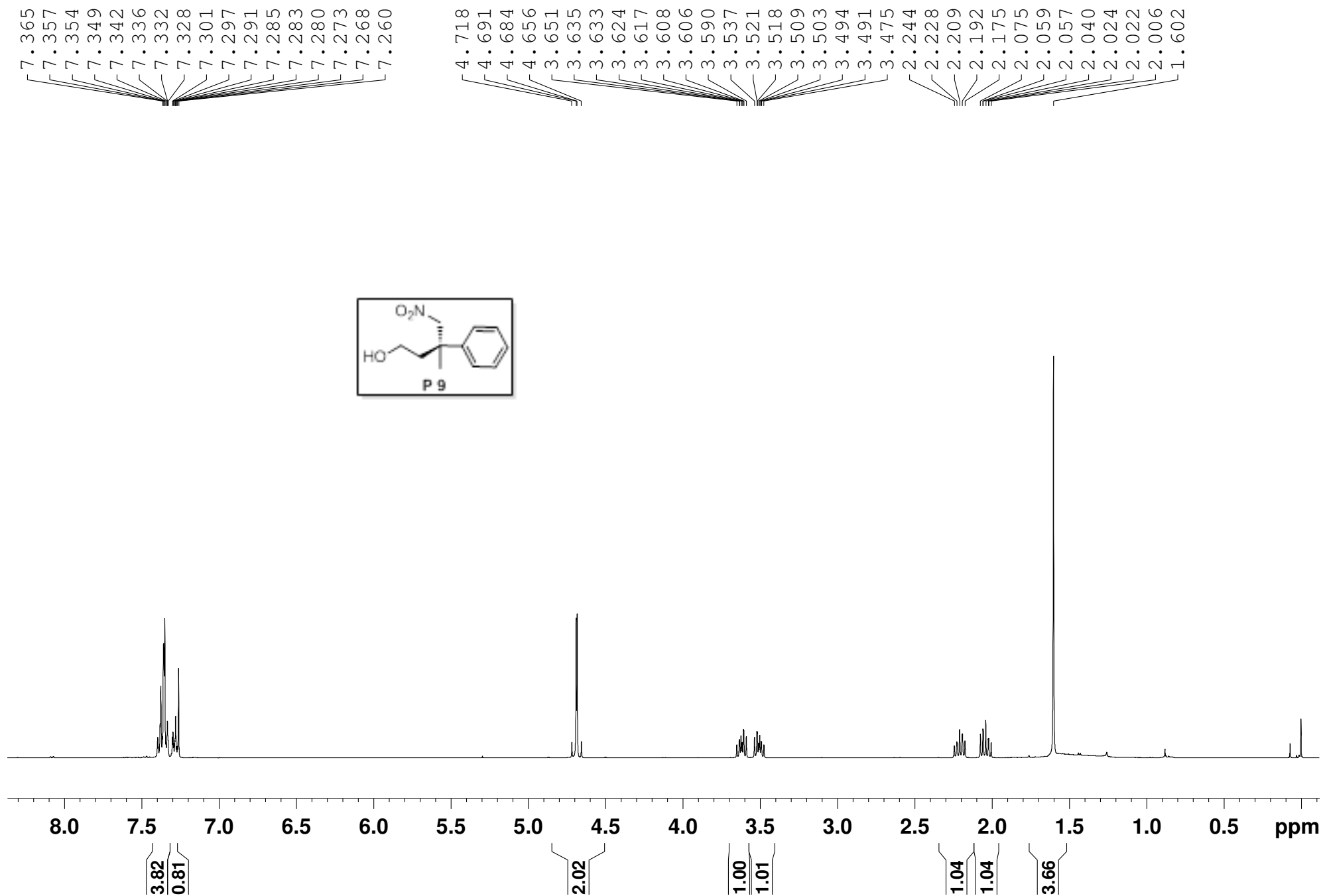


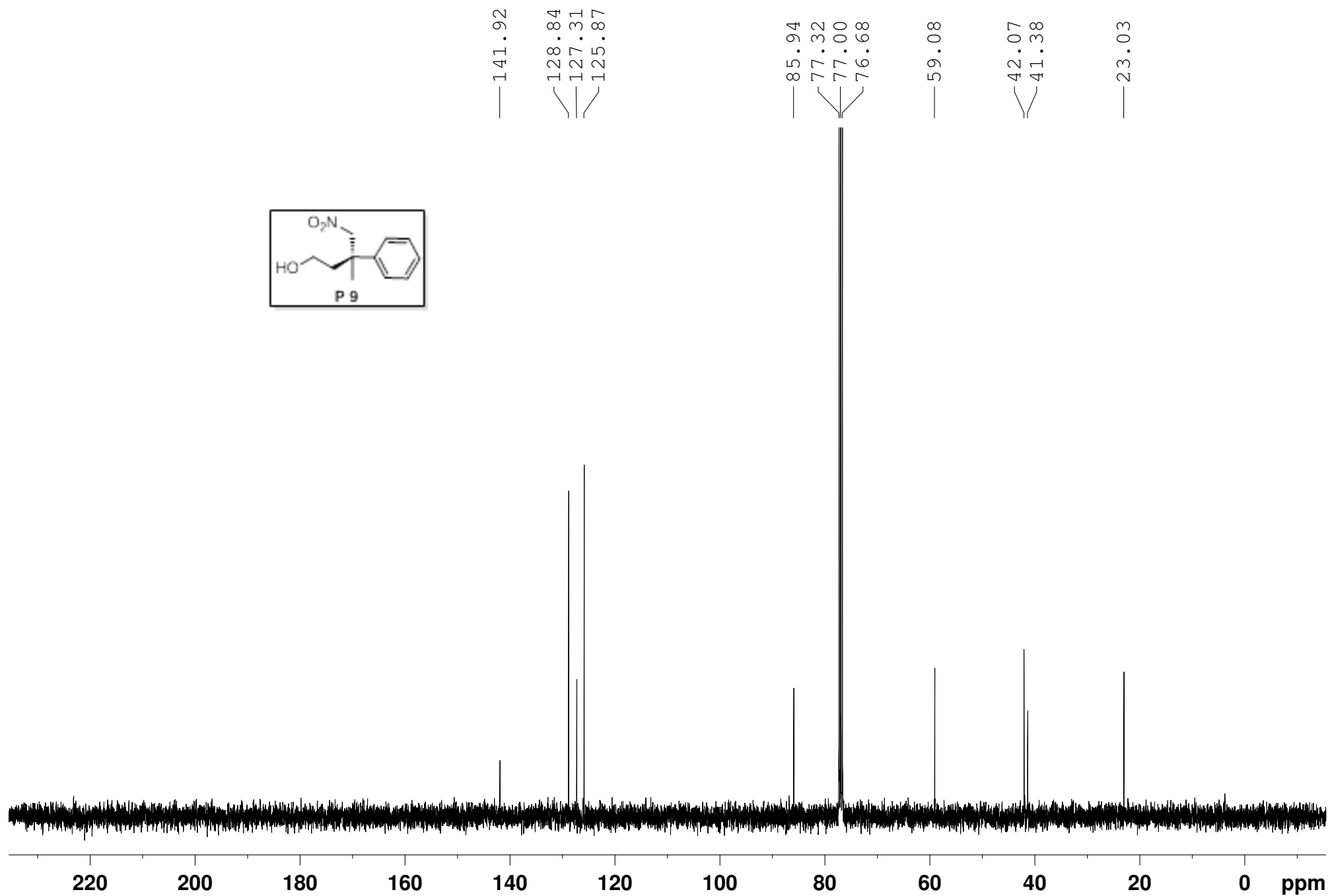
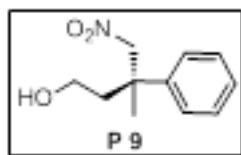
Signal 1: DAD1 A, Sig=220,16 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	21.449	BB	0.5855	9533.71191	251.91045	49.9029
2	25.270	BB	0.6751	9570.79687	217.63286	50.0971

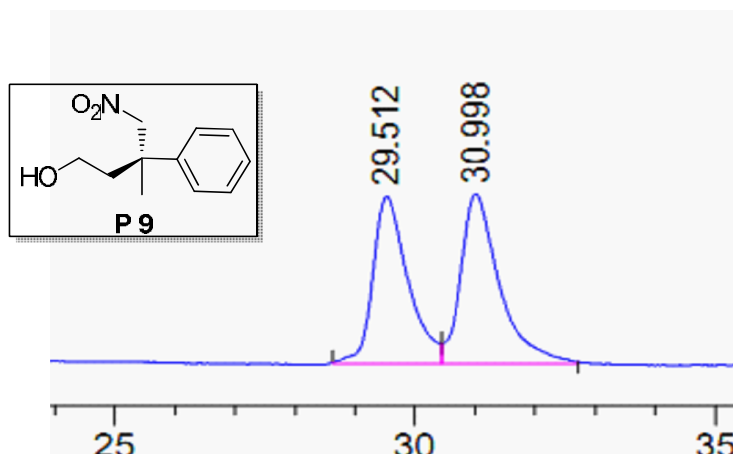


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1	21.727	PB	0.4977	221.53888	6.49913	2.5887
2	25.461	VB	0.6898	8336.24609	189.28320	97.4113



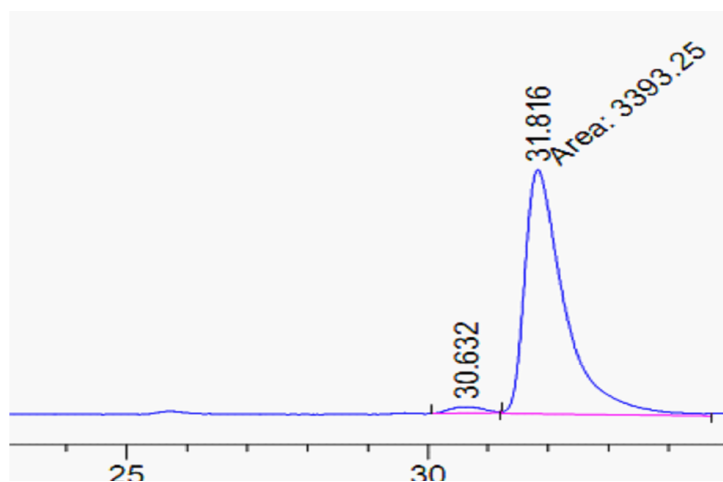


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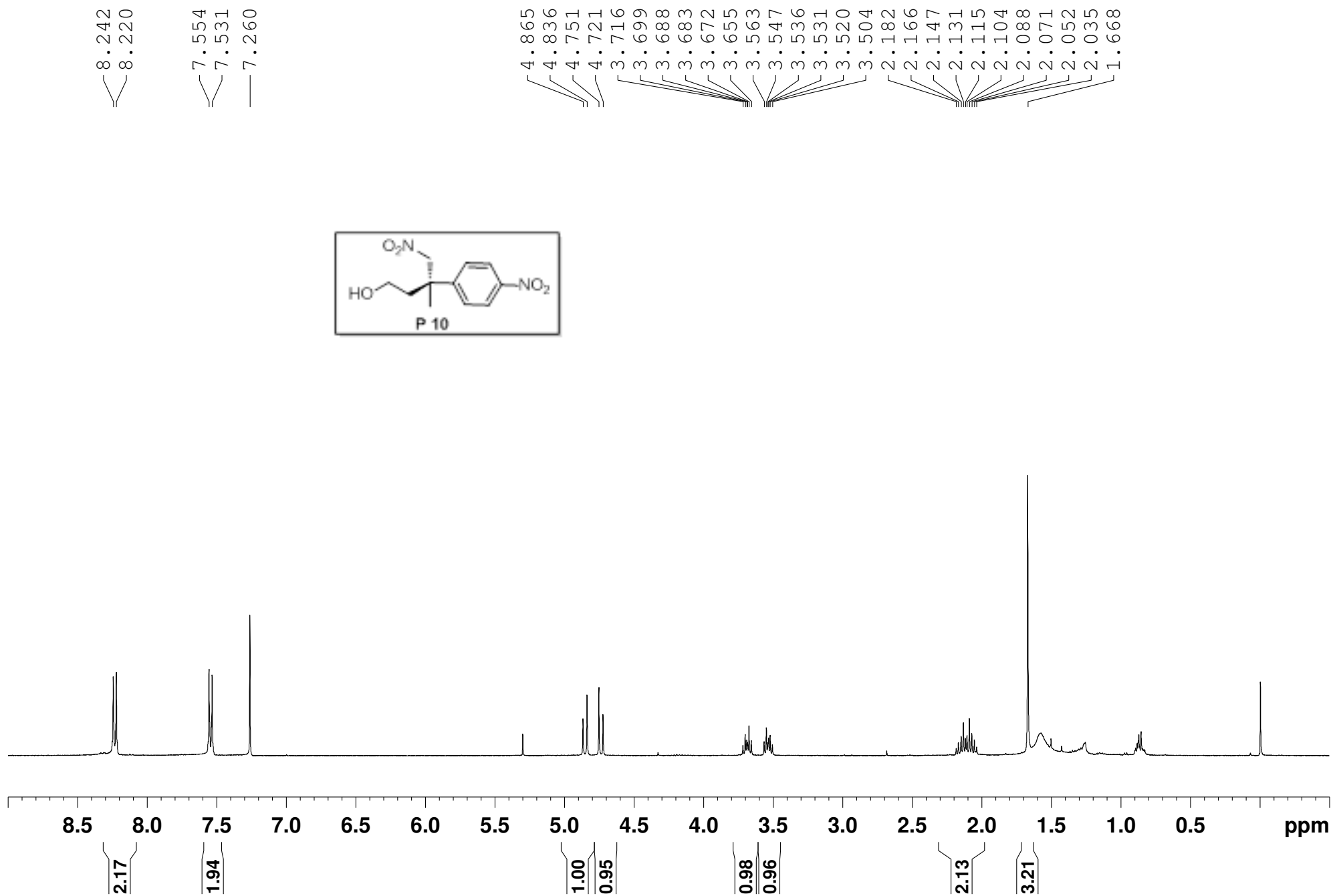


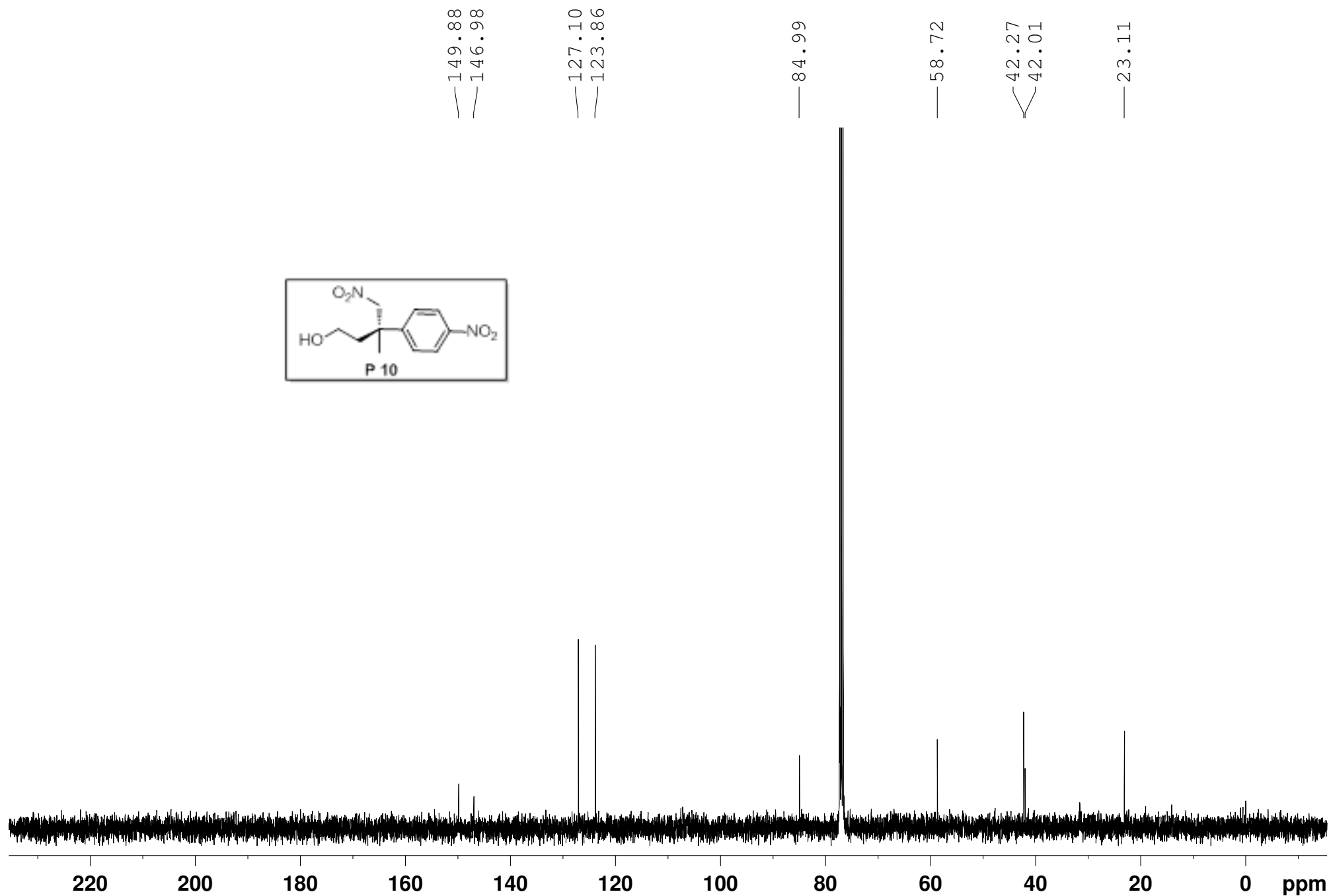
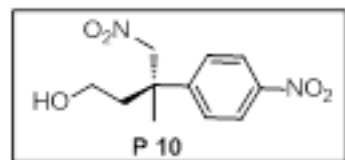
Signal 1: DAD1 B, Sig=230,10 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	29.512	BV	0.6172	967.35370	23.45455	47.4566
2	30.998	VB	0.6543	1071.04346	23.74224	52.5434

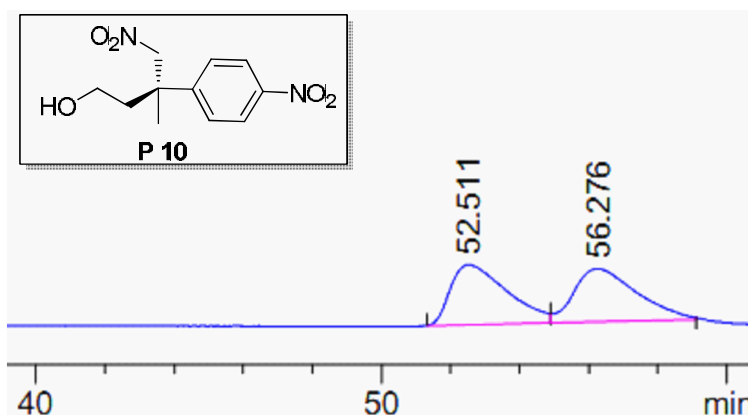


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1	30.632	PV	0.4812	76.63940	1.91375	2.2087
2	31.816	MM	0.7726	3393.24976	73.20195	97.7913



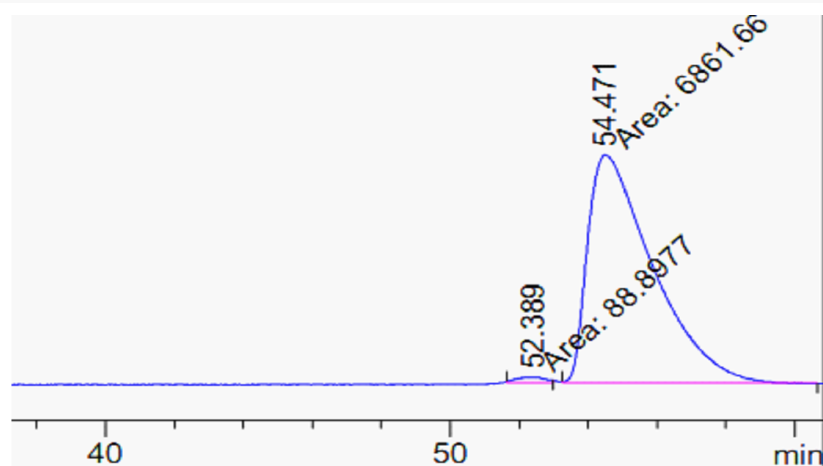


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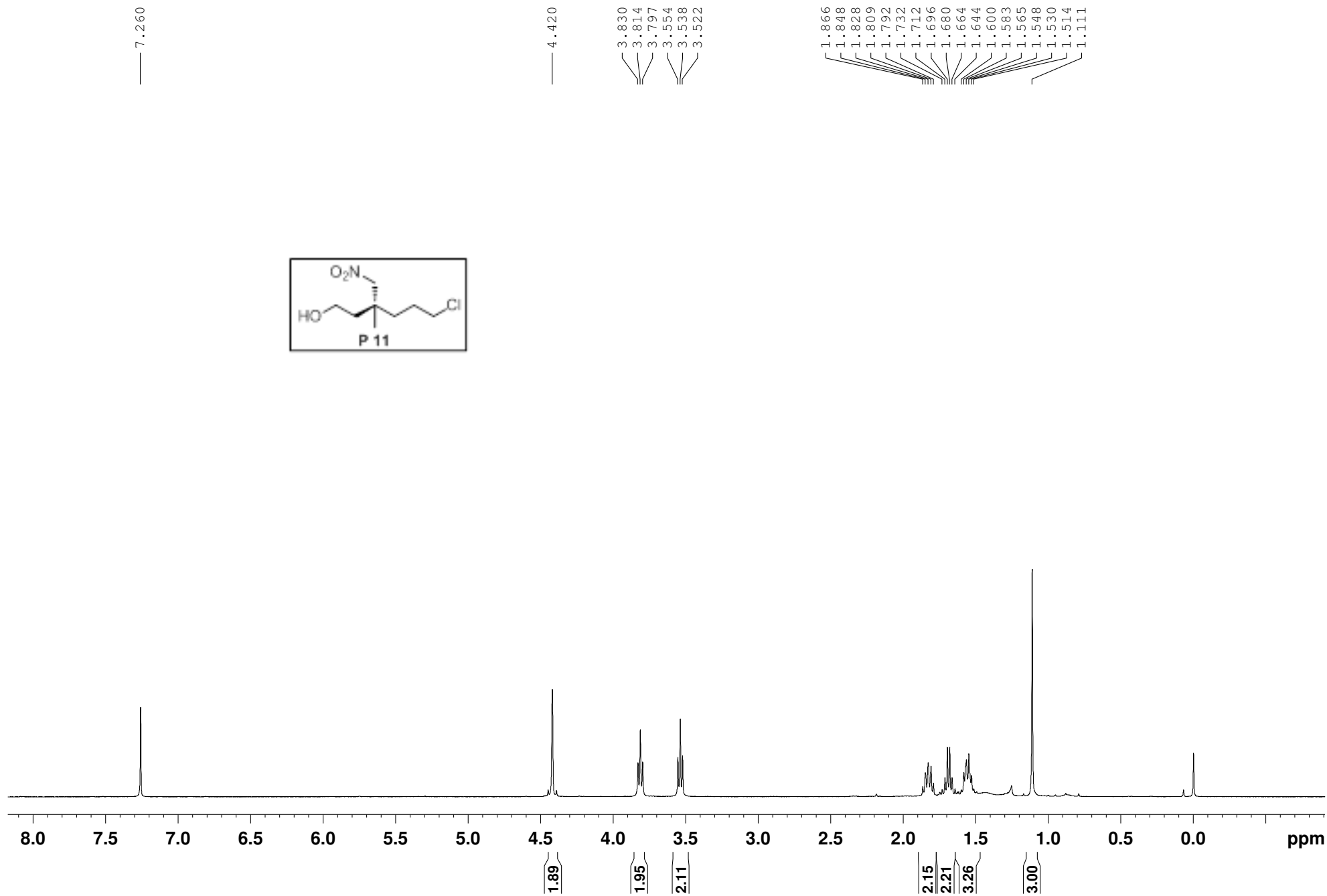


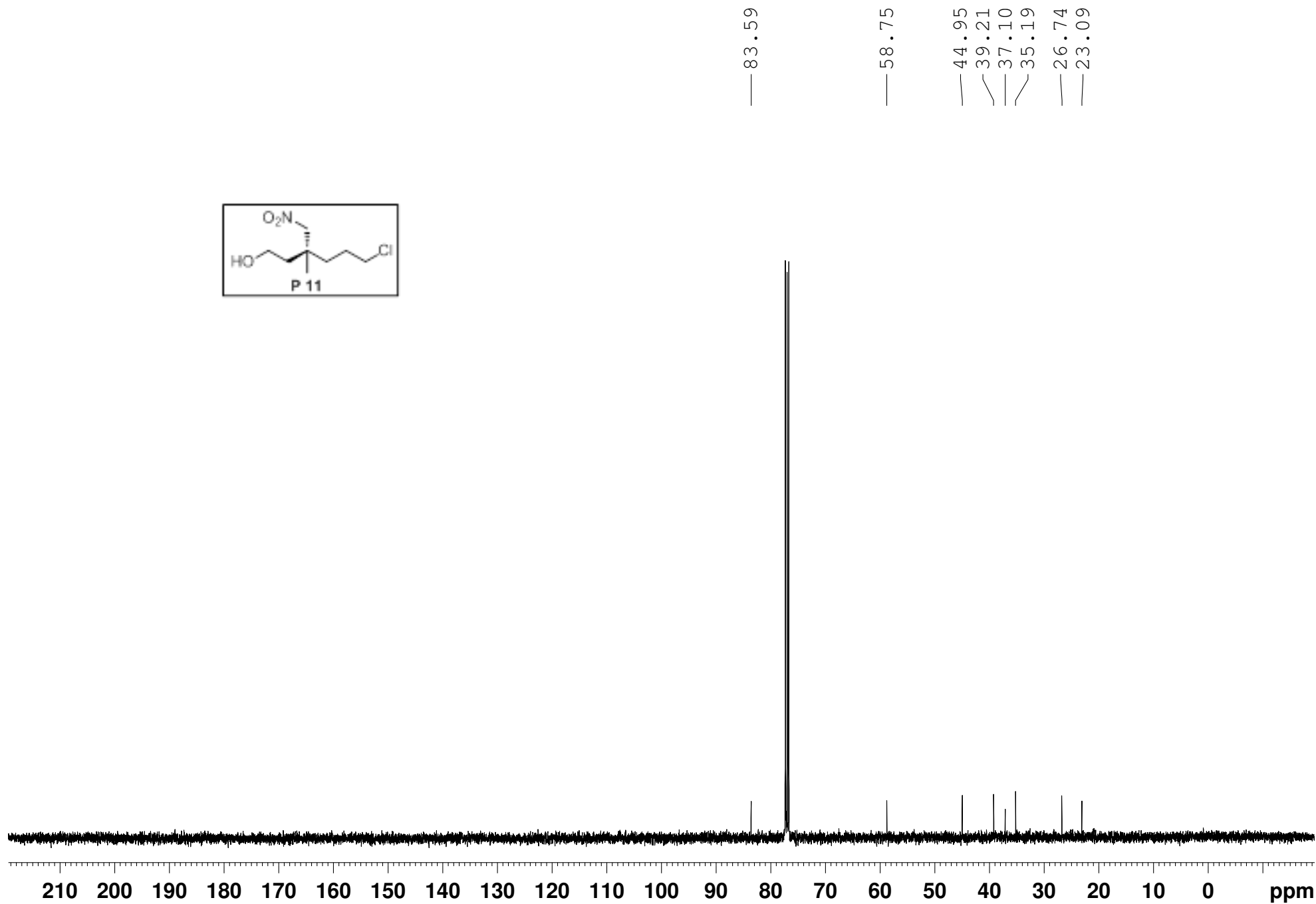
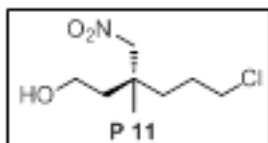
Signal 1: DAD1 B, Sig=215,10 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	52.511	BV	1.4028	5430.53564	47.82455	50.2148
2	56.276	VB	1.5215	5384.07031	42.28566	49.7852

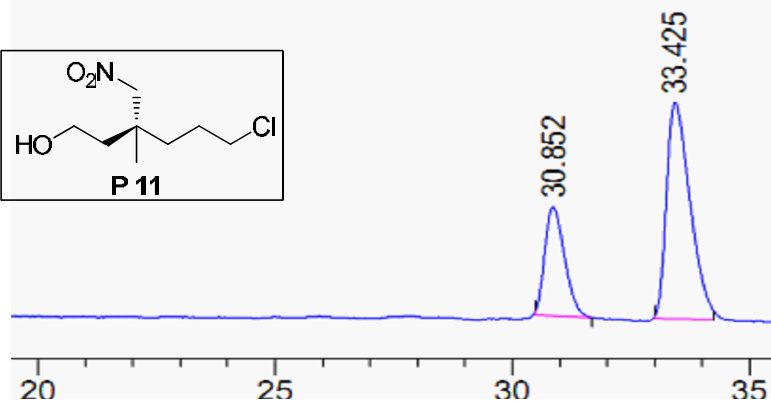
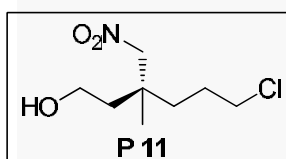


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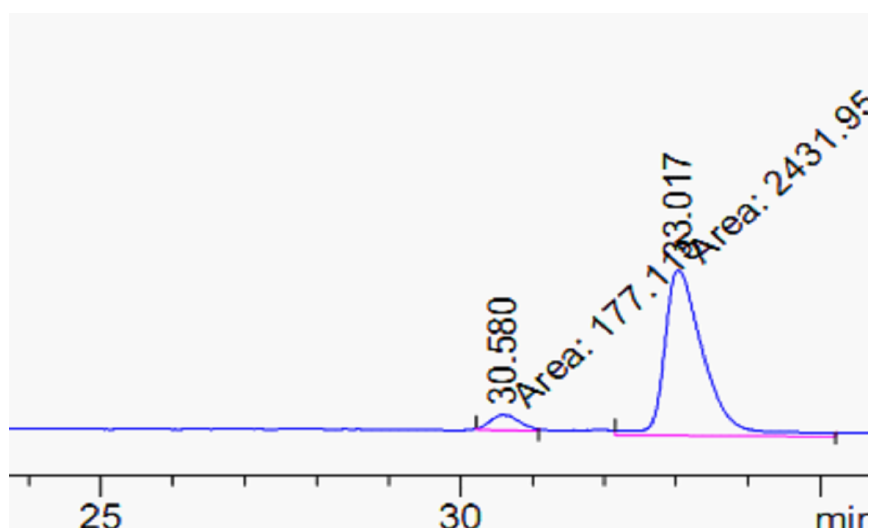


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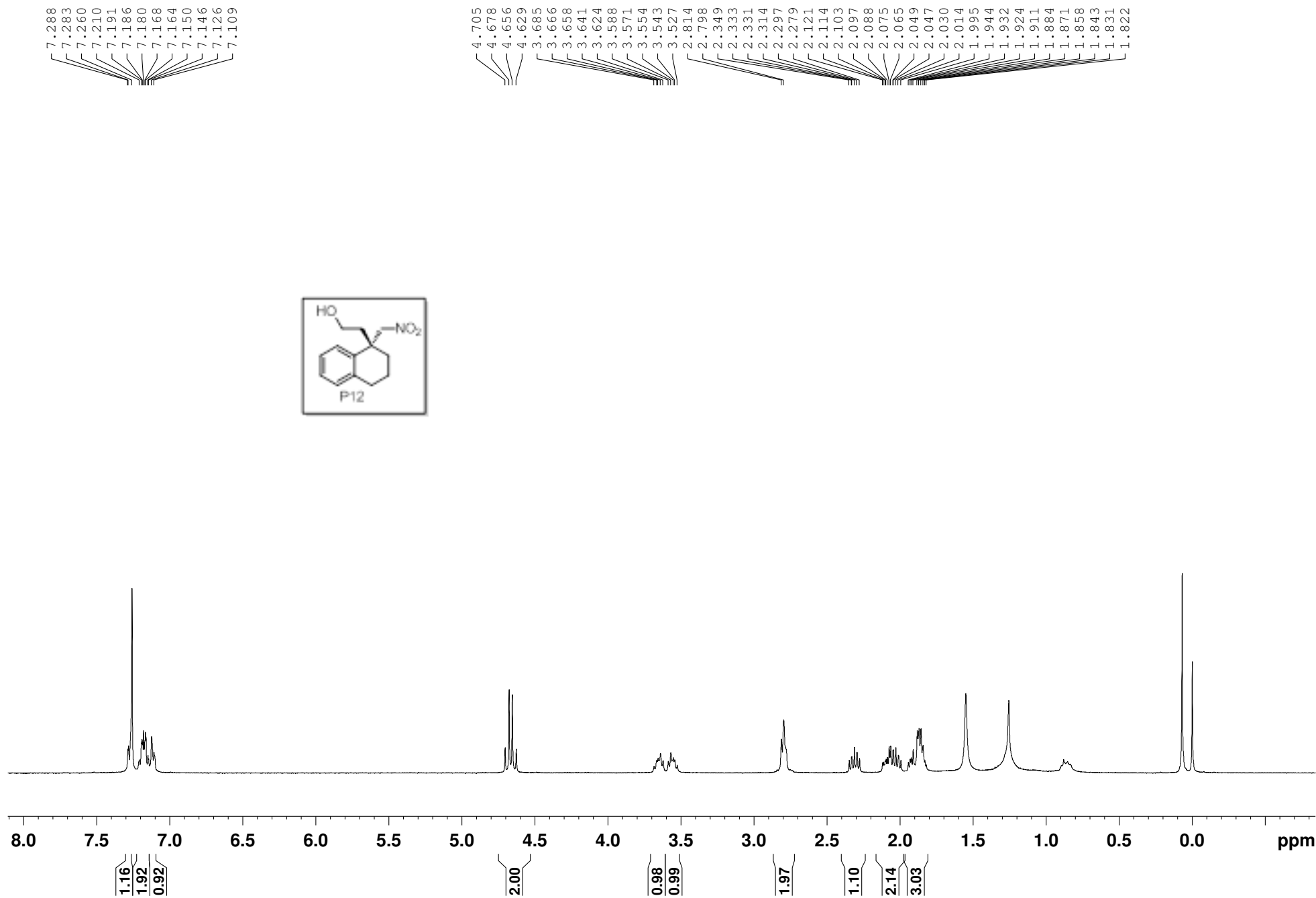


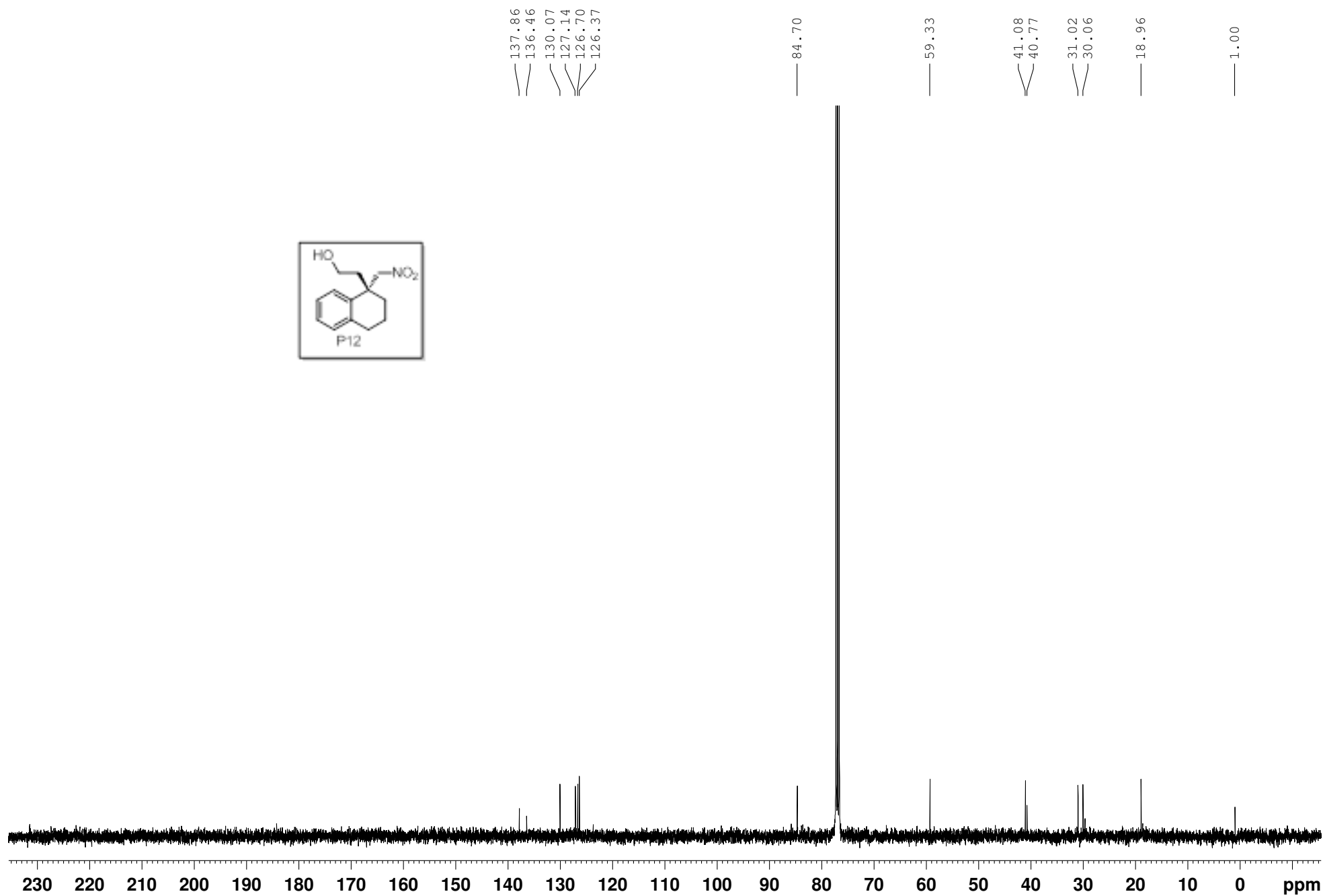
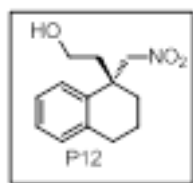
Signal 1: DAD1 A, Sig=220,16 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	30.852	BB	0.4633	862.80481	29.49293	30.0349
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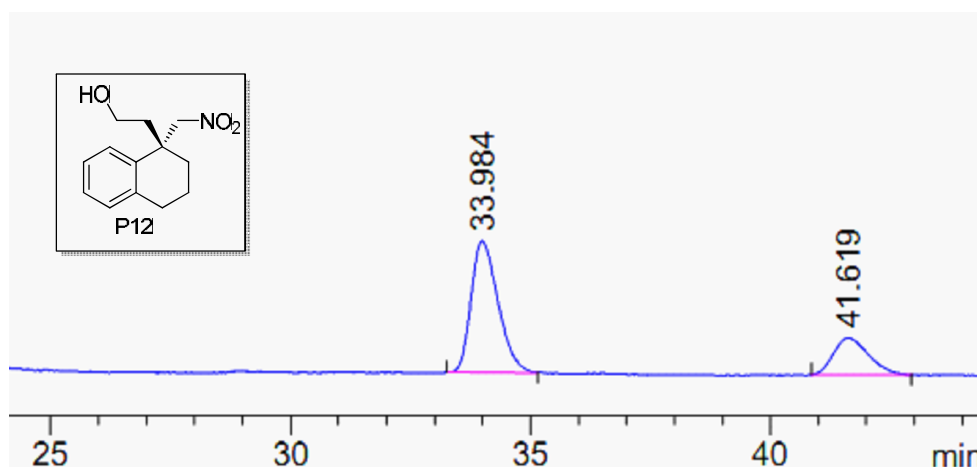


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1	30.580	MM	0.4895	177.11530	6.03042	6.7884
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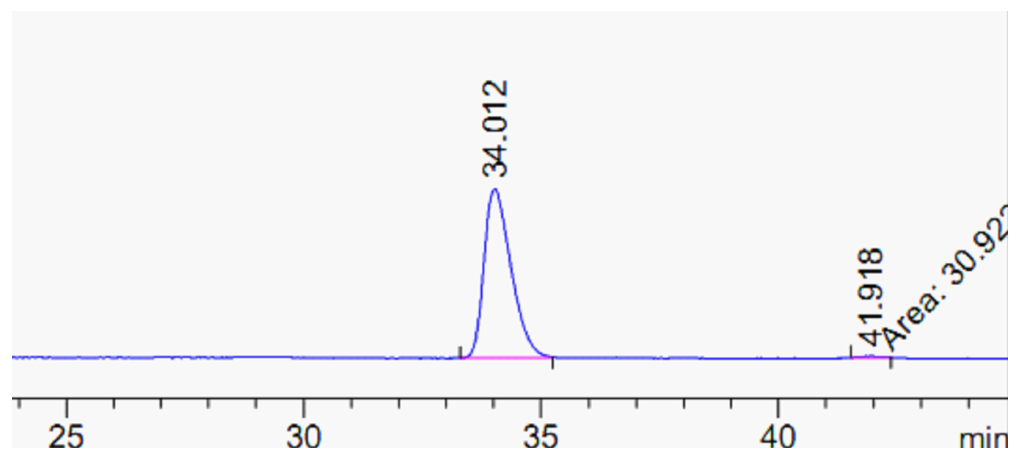


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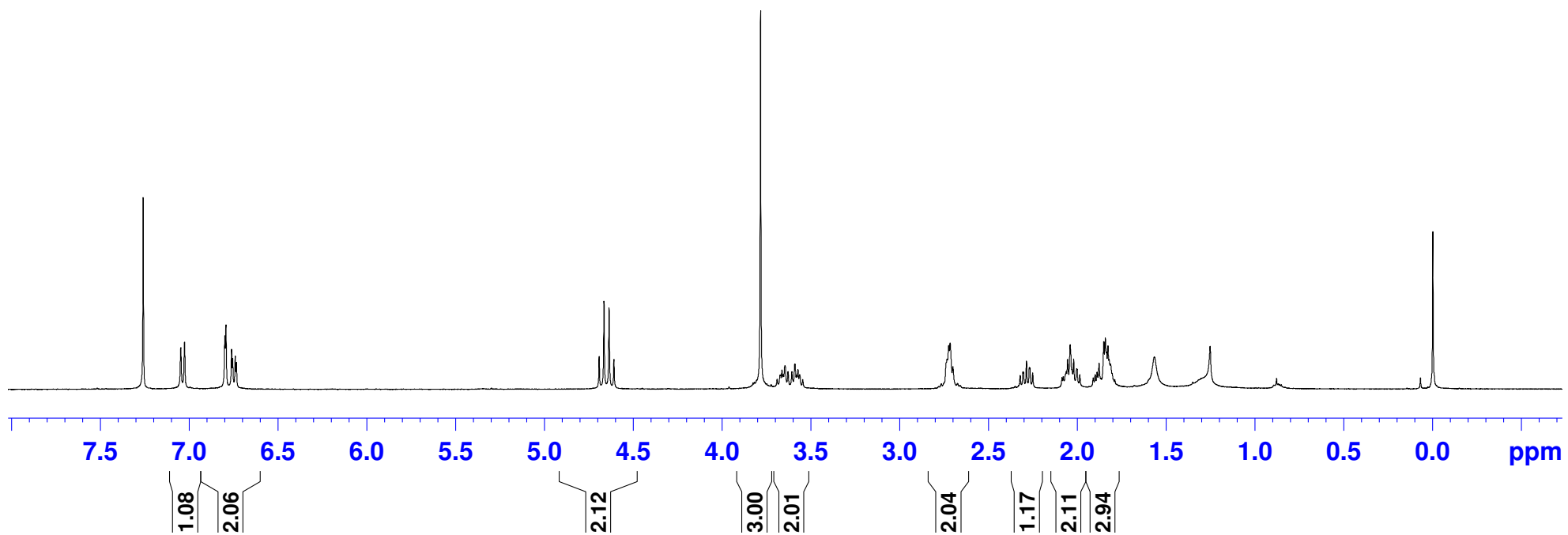
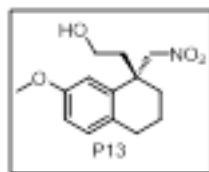
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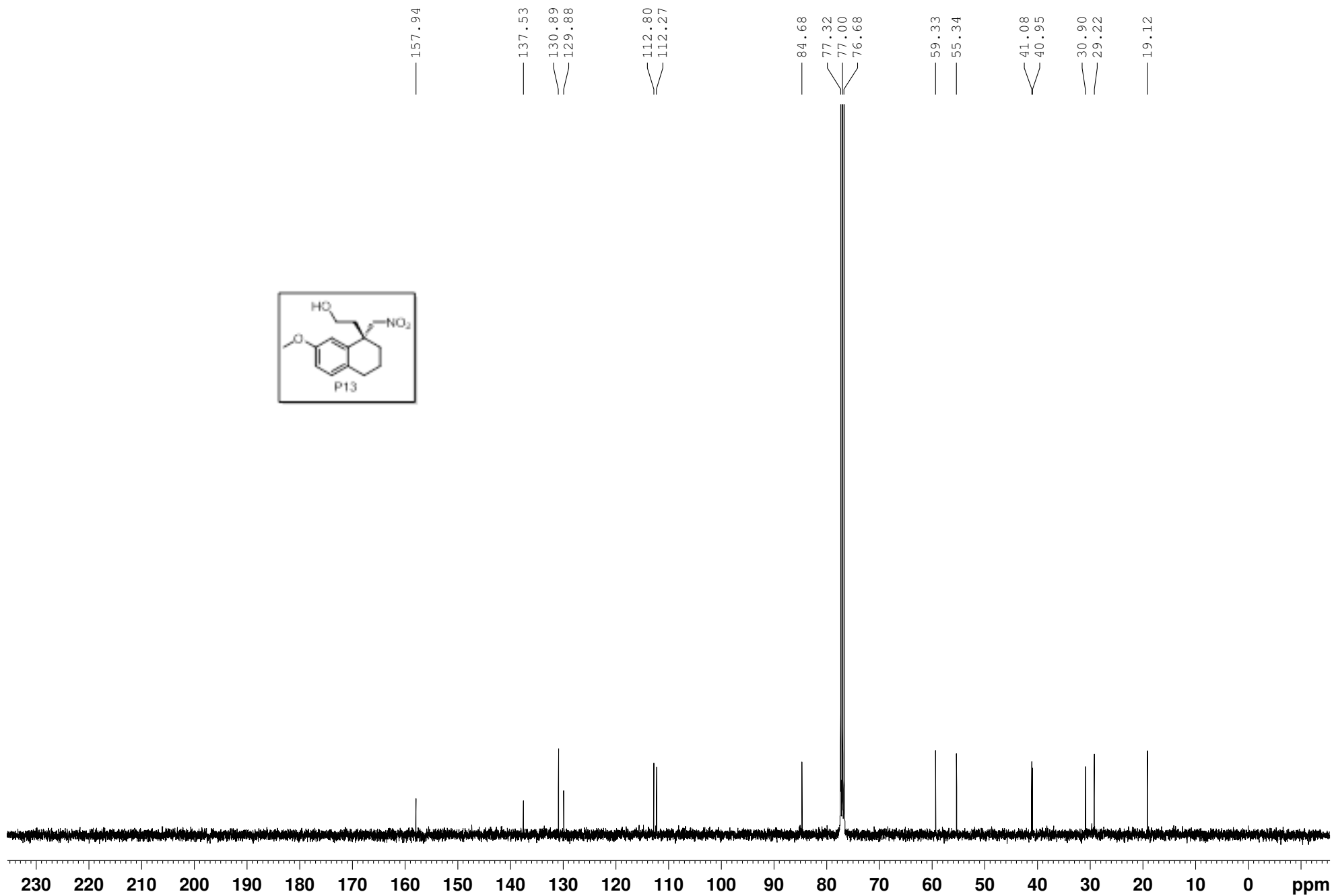
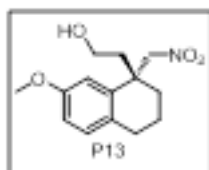
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1	33.984	BB	0.6019	1345.21216	34.27528	73.0147
2	41.619	BB	0.7893	497.17310	9.64558	26.9853



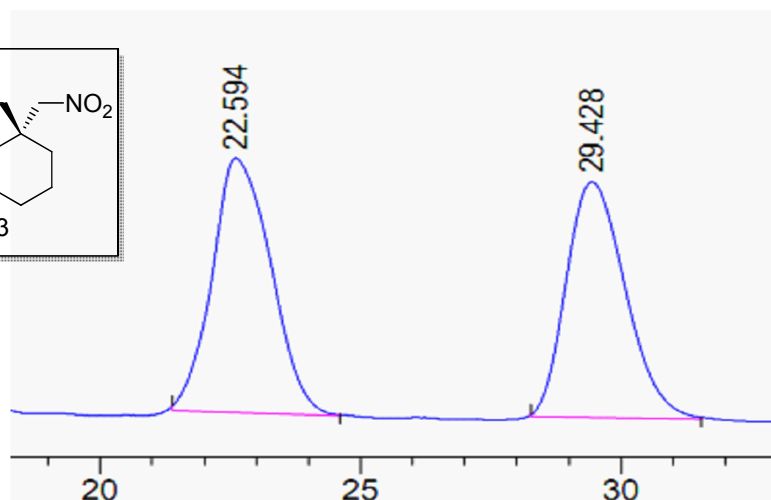
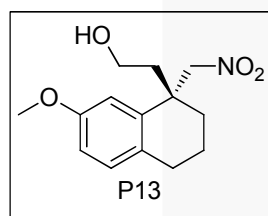
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1	34.012	BB	0.6115	2266.38232	57.05105	98.6540
2	41.918	MM	0.6722	30.92251	7.66716e-1	1.3460

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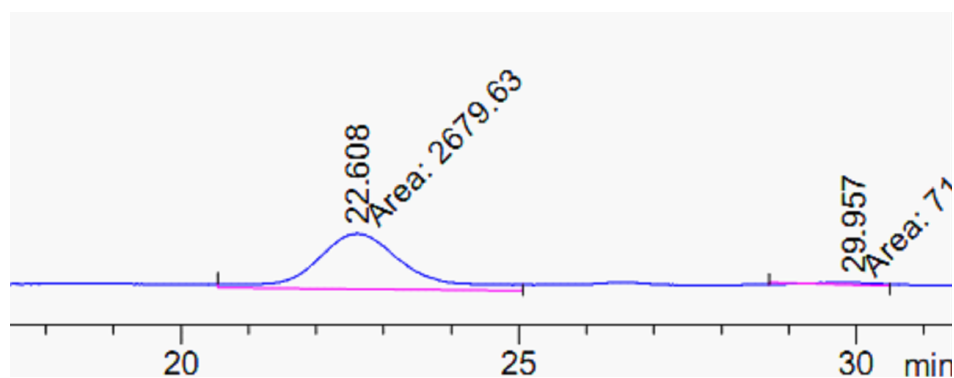


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Signal 1: DAD1 A, Sig=220,16 Ref=360,100

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1	22.594	BB	1.2210	1.49366e4	189.21477	51.9077
2	29.428	BB	1.2381	1.38387e4	175.08640	48.0923



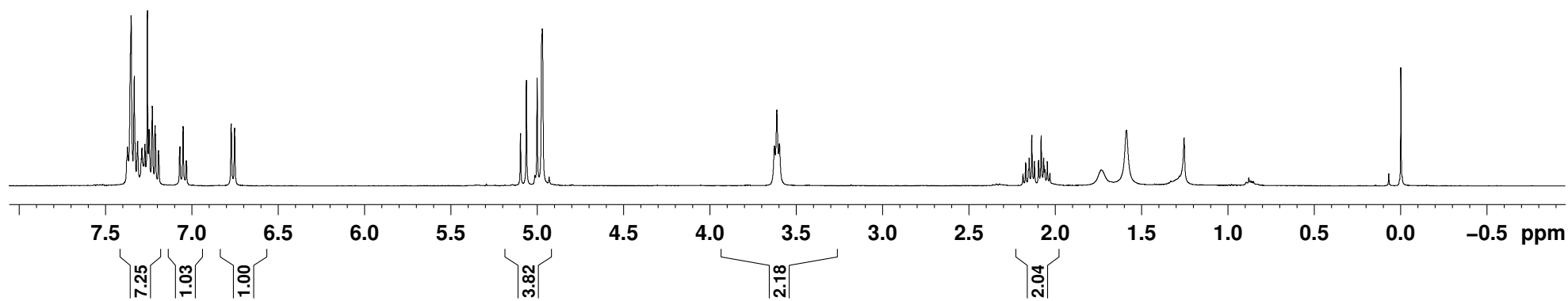
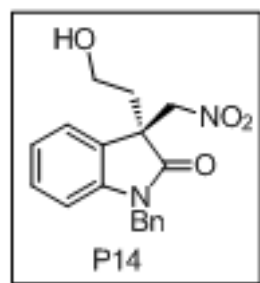
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1	22.608	MM	1.5402	2679.63452	28.99701	97.4115
2	29.957	MM	0.9421	71.20647	1.25972	2.5885

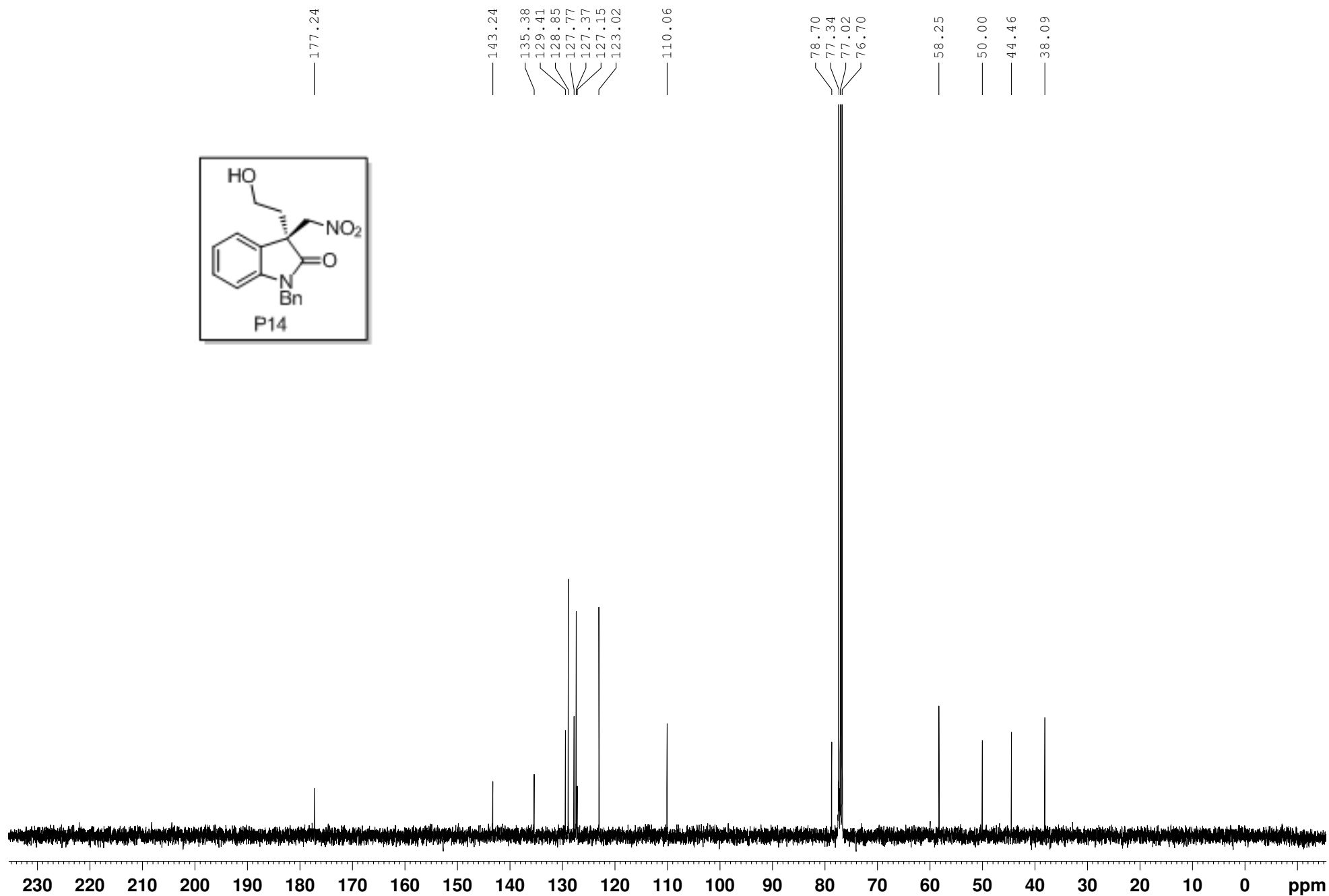
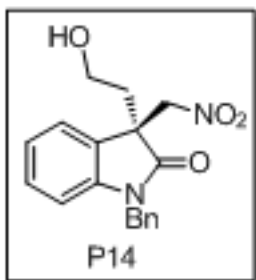
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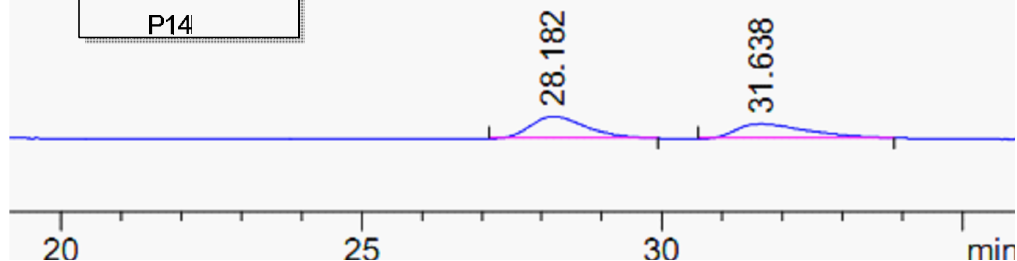
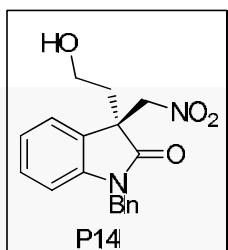
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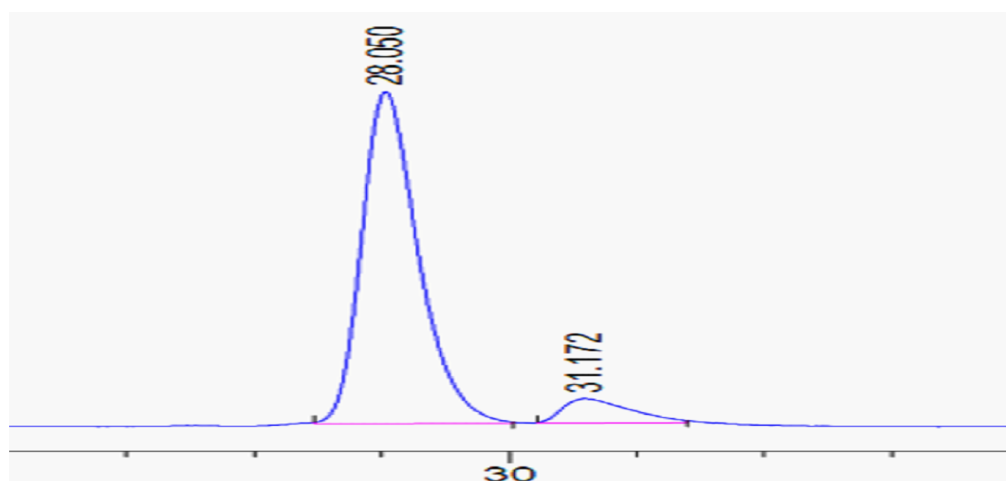


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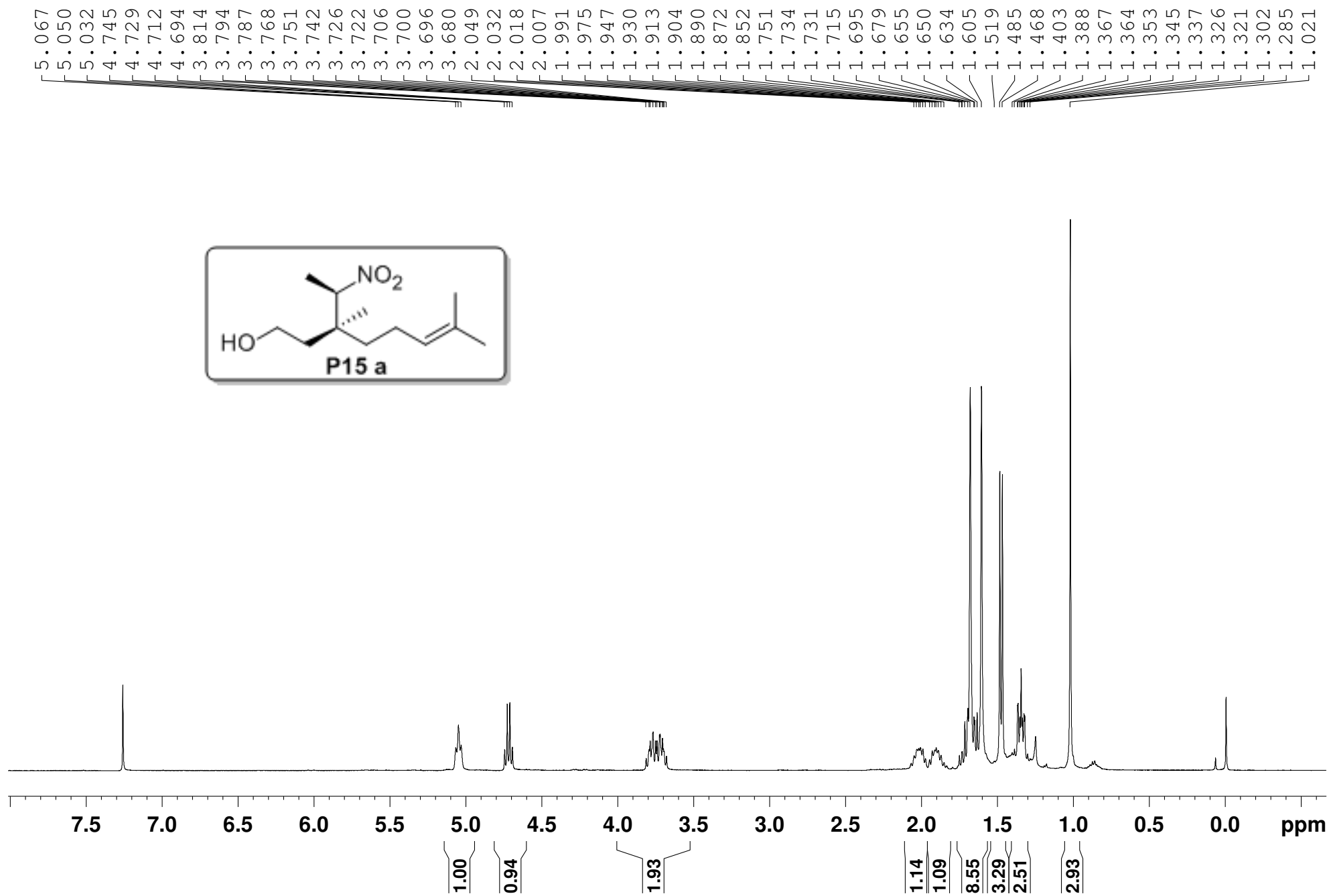


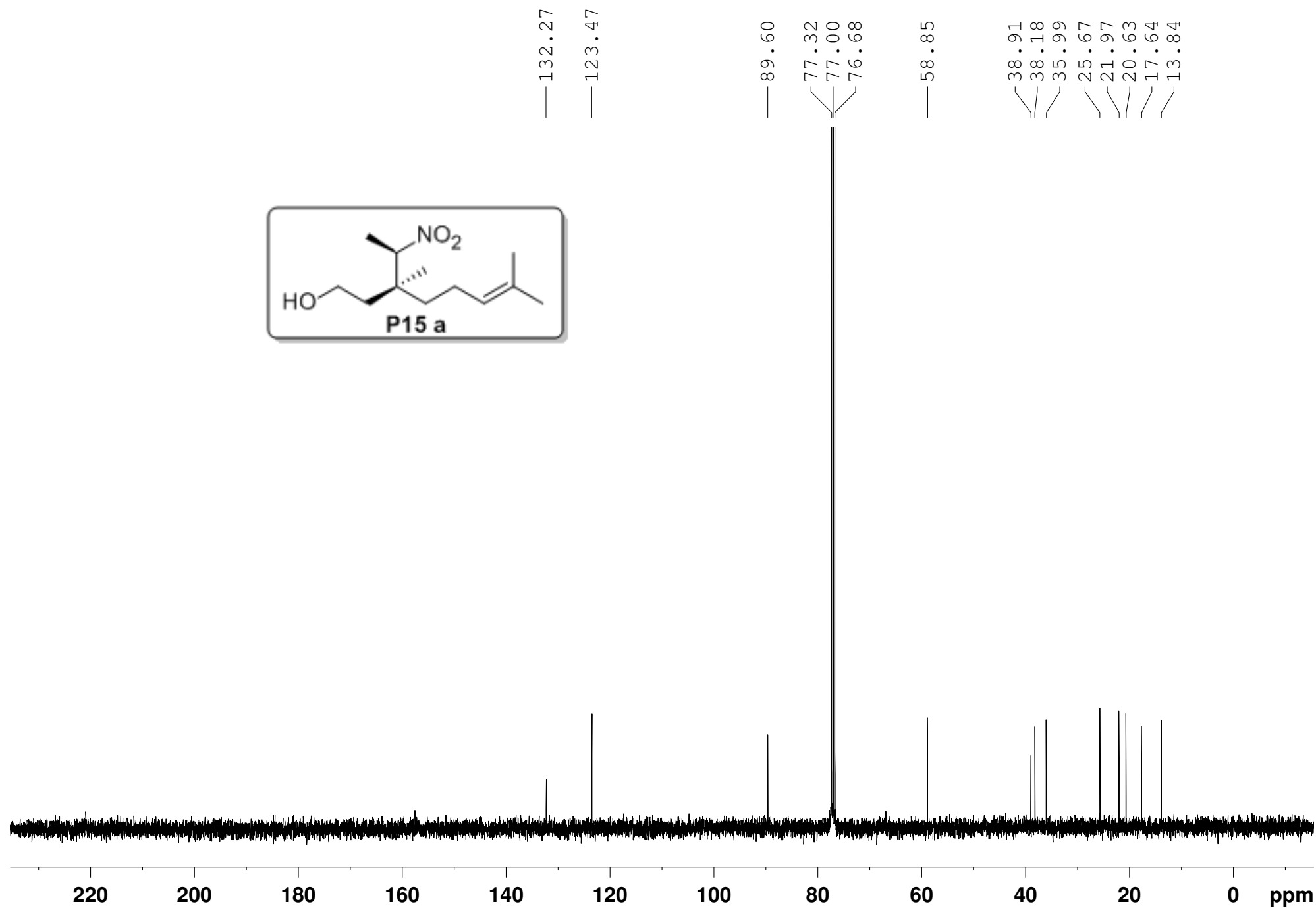
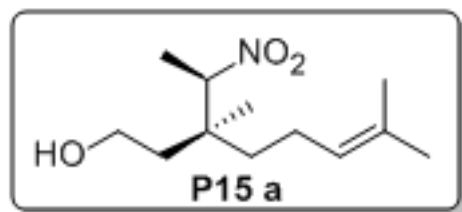
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Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	28.182	BB	0.9761	2743.45557	41.24264	53.6686
2	31.638	PB	1.2011	2368.38940	26.84976	46.3314

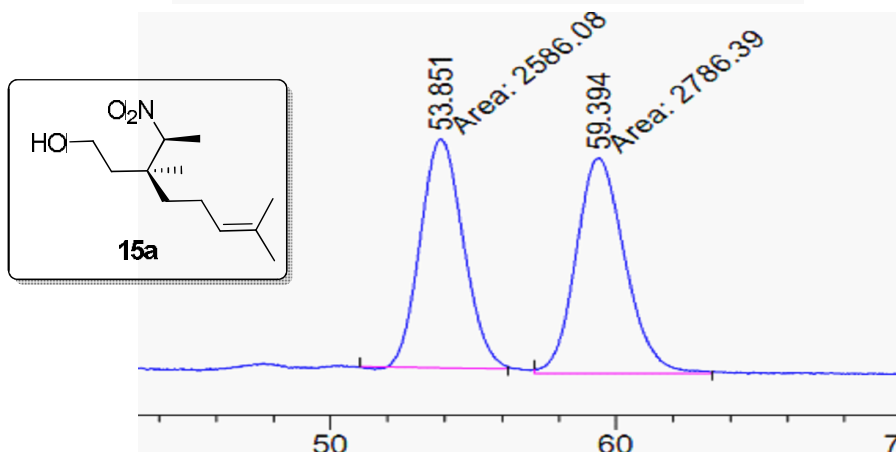


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1	28.050	BB	0.9456	8488.09863	137.22565	91.6633
2	31.172	BB	1.0175	771.99005	10.26418	8.3367



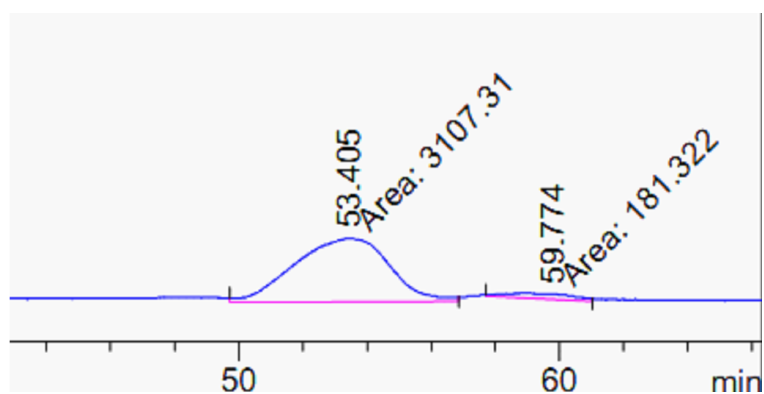


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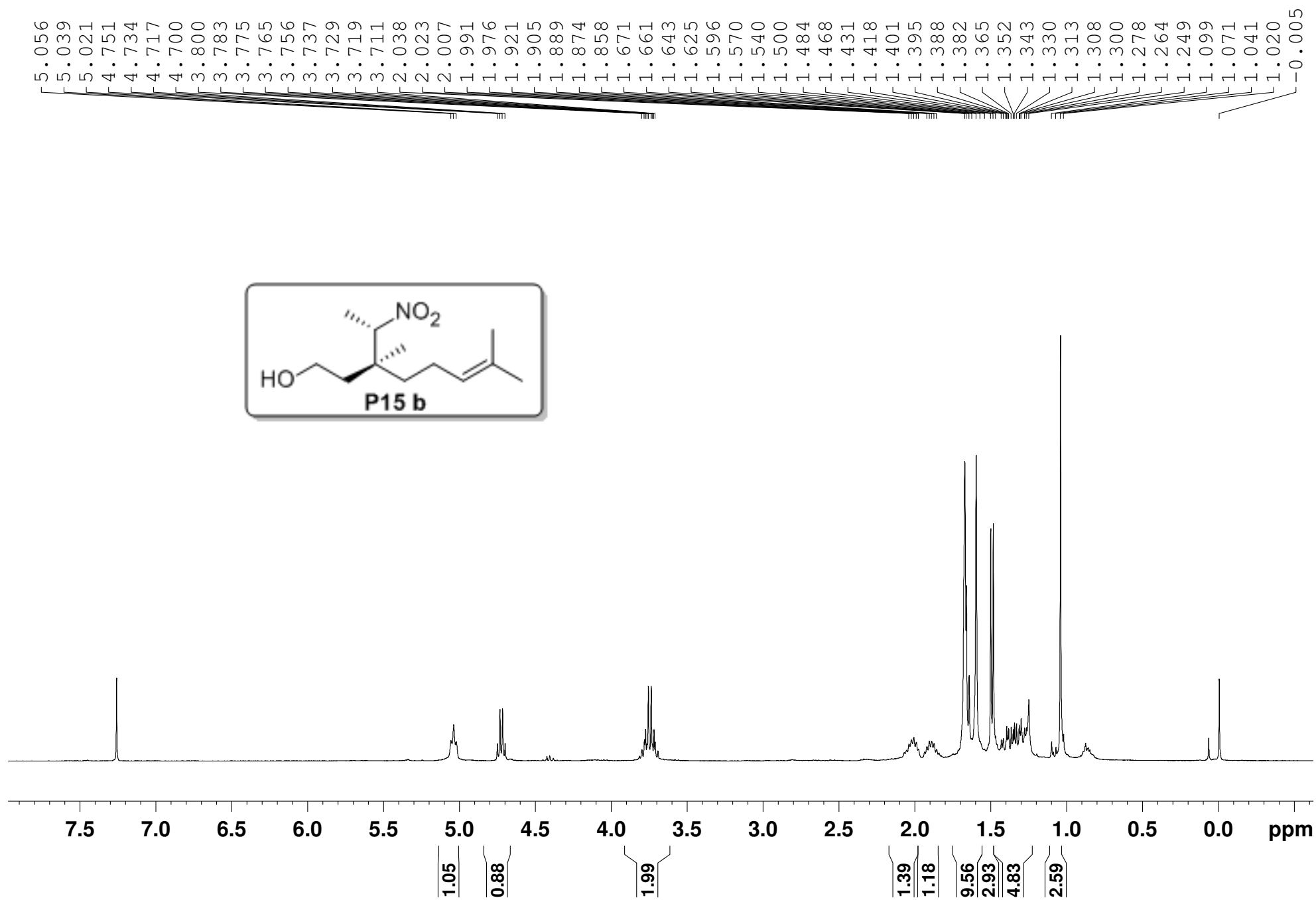


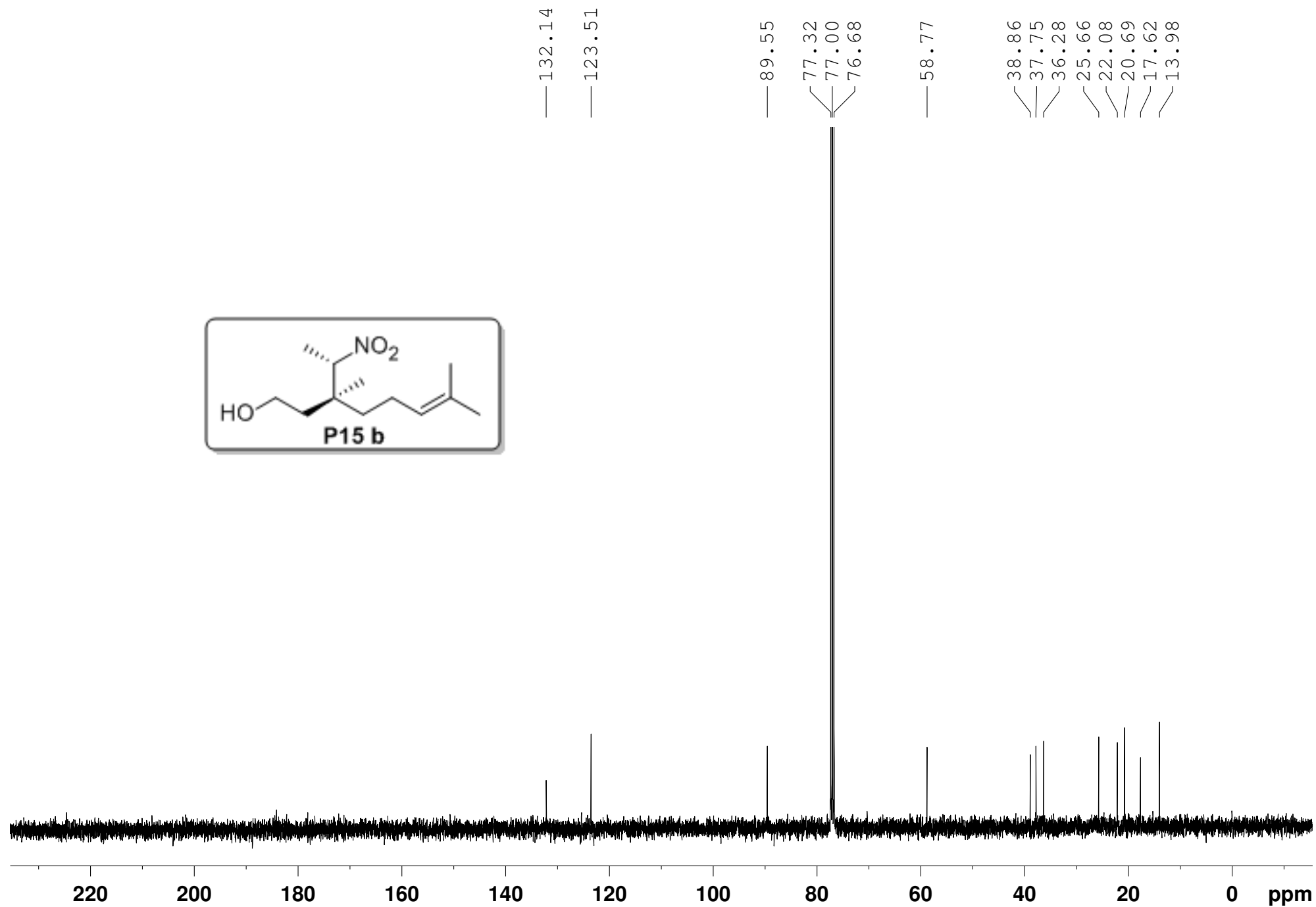
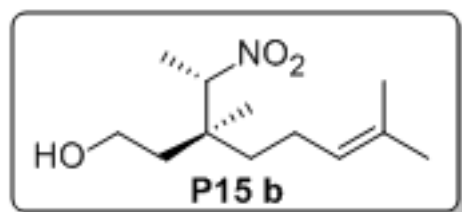
Signal 1: DAD1 A, Sig=220,16 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	53.851	MM	1.7541	2586.07935	24.57149	48.1358
2	59.394	MM	2.0017	2786.38794	23.20014	51.8642

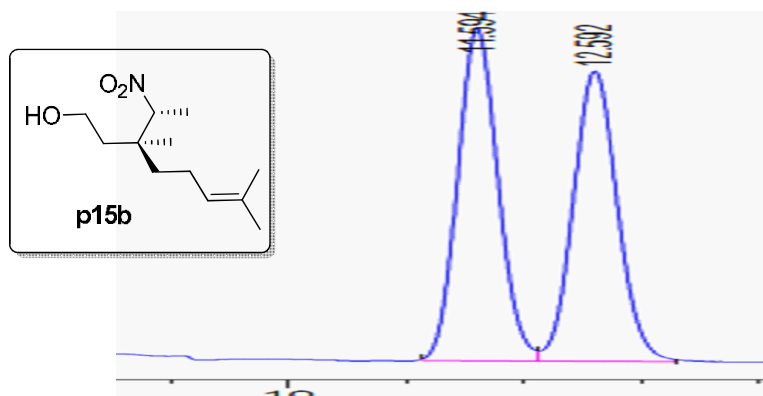


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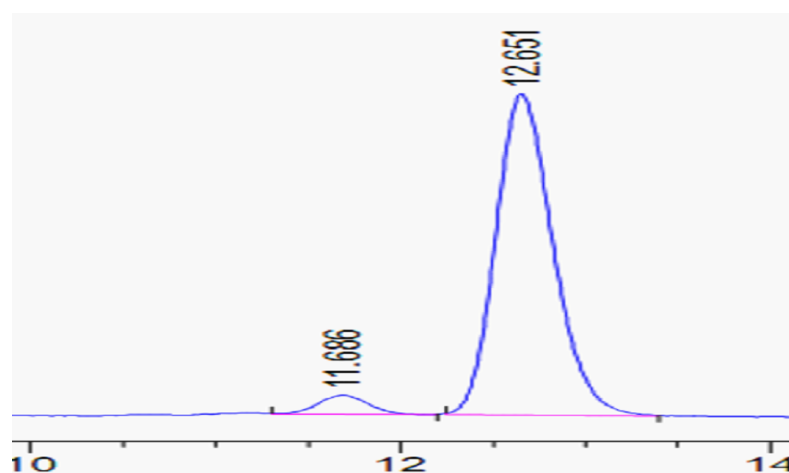


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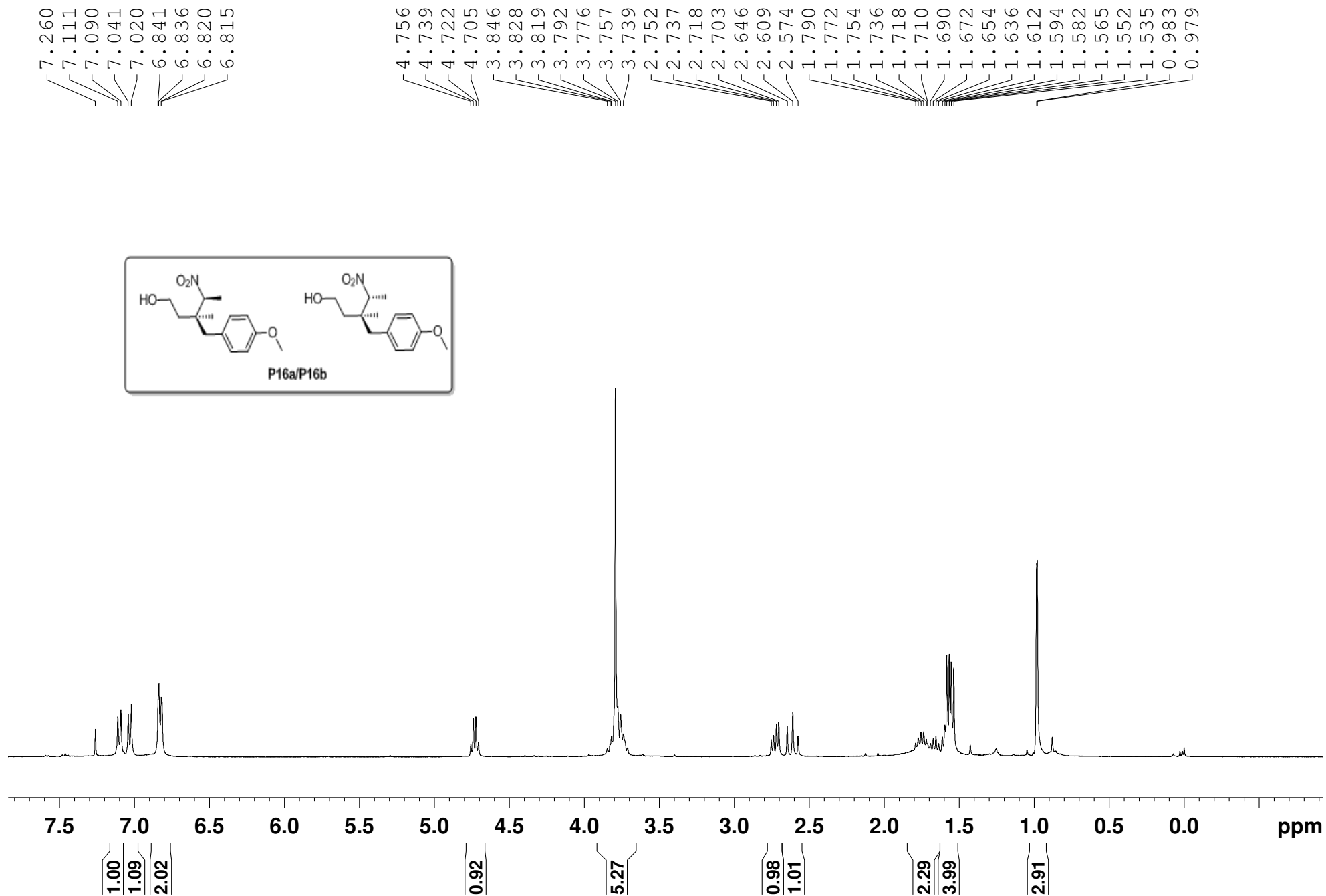


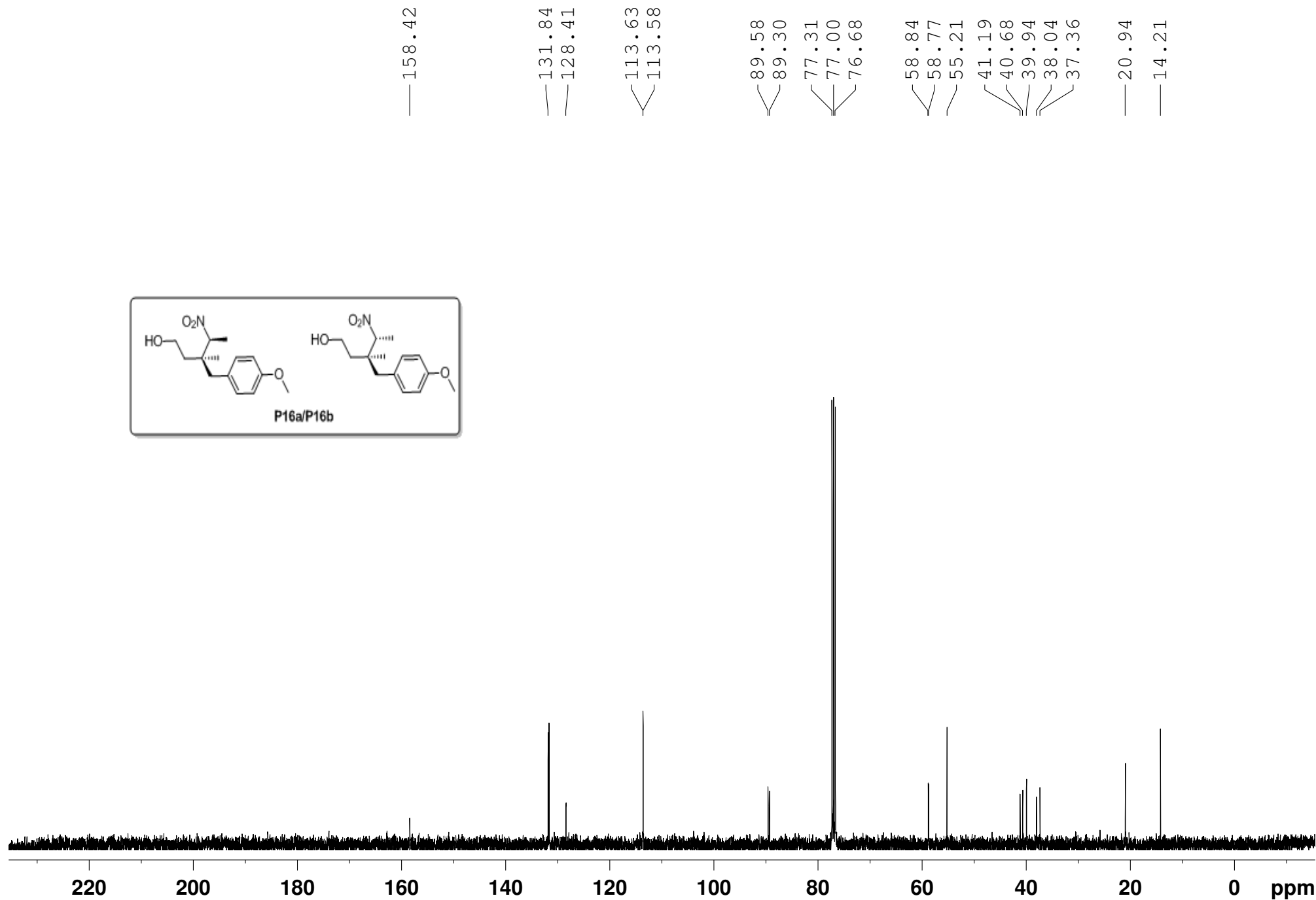
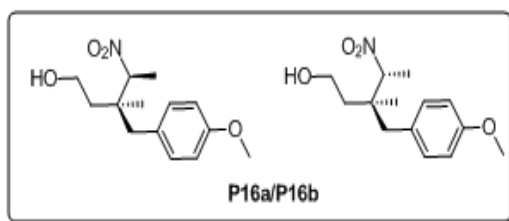
Signal 1: DAD1 A, Sig=220,16 Ref=360,100

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1	11.594	BV	0.3722	5669.69189	237.74841	51.4323
2	12.592	VB	0.4055	5353.90771	207.19467	48.5677

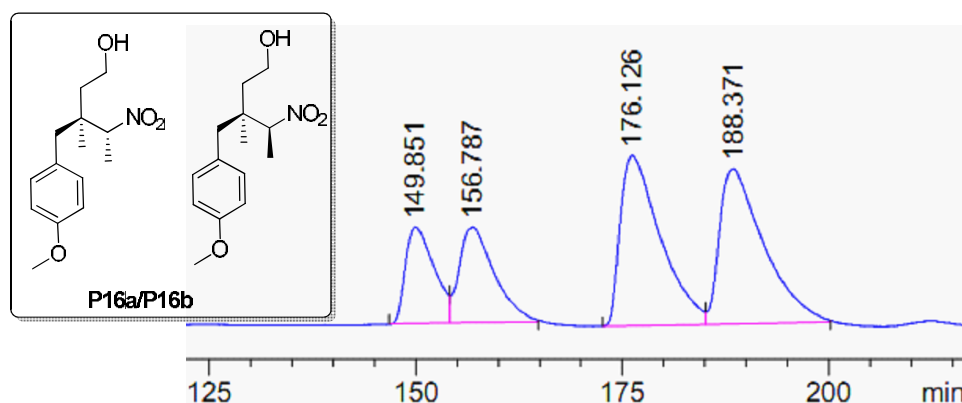


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	11.686	BB	0.3038	88.68507	4.54182	5.1814
2	12.651	BB	0.3356	1622.92761	75.26408	94.8186



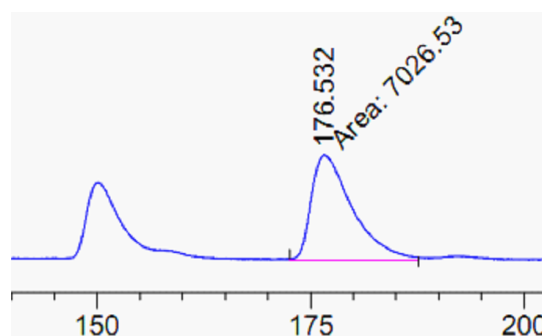
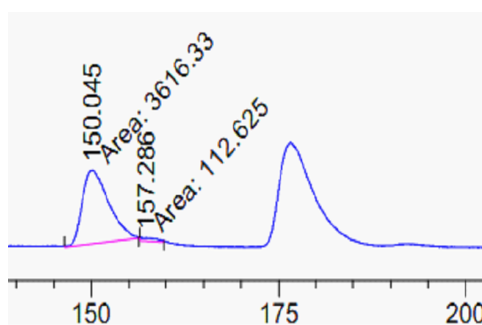


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Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	149.851	PV	2.8962	7800.68945	31.95325	14.0210
2	156.787	VB	3.4665	9385.64453	31.80759	16.8699
3	176.126	BV	4.0347	1.91287e4	56.43111	34.3821
4	188.371	VB	4.4168	1.93206e4	51.40585	34.7270



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	150.045	MM	4.1282	3616.32739	14.60003	96.9797
2	157.286	MM	2.0417	112.62501	7.39666e-1	3.0203

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	176.532	MM	5.6333	7026.53174	20.78852	100.0000