

**Supporting Information  
for**

**5'- Vitamin B<sub>12</sub> derivatives suitable for bioconjugation  
via the amide bond**

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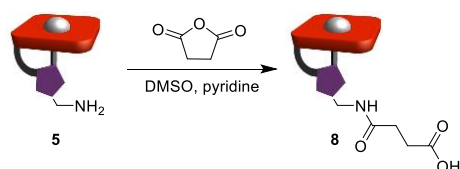
1. Optimization of the synthesis of amide **7b** with coupling reagent<sup>a</sup>



Entry	Coupling agent	Solvents	Base	Yield [%] <sup>b</sup>
1	DCC	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O (1:1)	DIPEA	14
2	EDC	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O (1:1)	DIPEA	0
3	HBTU, HOBt	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O (1:1)	DIPEA	26
4	HBTU, HOBt	DMSO/H <sub>2</sub> O (1:1)	DIPEA	31
5	HBTU, HOBt	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O/dioxane (2:1:2)	DIPEA	57
6	HBTU, HOBt	DMSO/H <sub>2</sub> O/dioxane (2:1:2)	DIPEA	70
7	HBTU, HOBt	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O/DMSO (2:1:2)	DIPEA	82
<b>8</b>	<b>HBTU, HOBt</b>	<b>DMF/H<sub>2</sub>O/DMSO (2:1:2)</b>	<b>DMAP</b>	<b>85</b>
9	HBTU, HOBt	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O/DMSO (2:1:2)	Et <sub>3</sub> N	70
10 <sup>c</sup>	HBTU, HOBt	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O/DMSO (2:1:2)	DMAP	88

<sup>a</sup>General conditions: amine **5** (15 mg, 10 μmol), *N*-Boc-Gly-OH (9 mg, 51 μmol), DCC (11 mg, 51 μmol), EDC (10 mg, 51 μmol), HBTU (19 mg, 51 μmol), HOBt (7 mg, 51 μmol), DIPEA (9 μL, 51 μmol), DMAP (6 mg, 51 μmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (7 μL, 51 μmol), total volume of solvents was 1.5 mL (v/v/v), r.t., 4 h; <sup>b</sup>Isolated yield; <sup>c</sup>Reaction performed with 102 μmol of *N*-Boc-Gly-OH, HBTU, HOBt and DMAP.

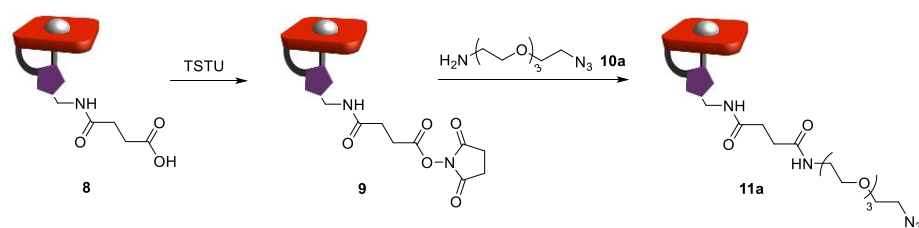
2. Optimization of the synthesis of acid **8**<sup>a</sup>



Entry	Succinic anhydride [equiv.]	Pyridine [equiv.]	Temperature [°C]	Time [h]	Yield [%] <sup>b</sup>
1	5	5	r.t.	5	67
2	5	5	r.t.	17	91
3	10	10	r.t.	5	87
4	10	10	r.t.	17	96
5	5	5	40	5	81
6	5	5	40	17	96
<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>96</b>
8	10	10	40	17	96

<sup>a</sup>General conditions: amine **5** (5 mg, 3 μmol), DMSO (5 mL); <sup>b</sup>Yield estimated based on HPLC analysis.

### 3. Optimization of the synthesis of amide **11a** via active ester step<sup>a</sup>



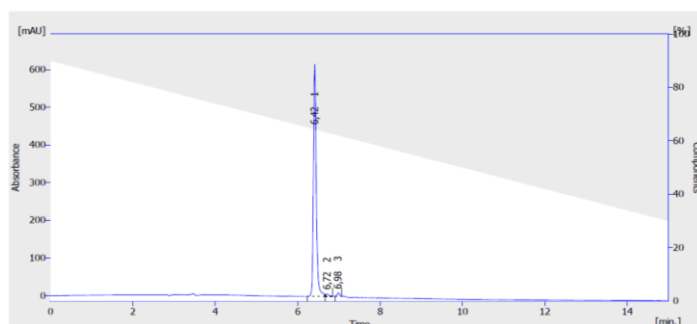
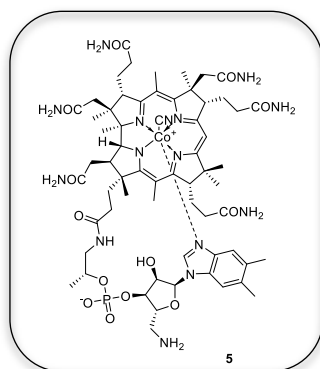
Entry	TSTU [equiv.]	DIPEA [equiv.]	Solvents	Yield [%] <sup>b</sup>
1	2.0	2.0	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O/dioxane (2:1:2)	16
2	4.0	4.0	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O/dioxane (2:1:2)	30
<b>3</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>DMF/H<sub>2</sub>O/dioxane (2:1:2)</b>	<b>54</b>
4	20.0	20.0	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O/dioxane (2:1:2)	traces
5	8.0	8.0	DMF/H <sub>2</sub> O (2:1)	43
6	8.0	8.0	DMF/0.1 M NaHCO <sub>3</sub> /dioxane (2:1:2)	15
7 <sup>c</sup>	8.0	8.0	DMF/0.1 M NaHCO <sub>3</sub> /dioxane (2:1:2)	9
8	8.0	8.0	MeCN/H <sub>2</sub> O/dioxane (2:1:2)	41
9	8.0	8.0	NMP/H <sub>2</sub> O/dioxane (2:1:2)	22

<sup>a</sup>General conditions: acid **8** (15 mg, 10 μmol), total volume of solvents was 1.5 mL (v/v/v), r.t., 20 h, amine **10a** (4.0 μL, 20 μmol), r.t., 75 min; <sup>b</sup>Isolated yield; <sup>c</sup>Without DIPEA.

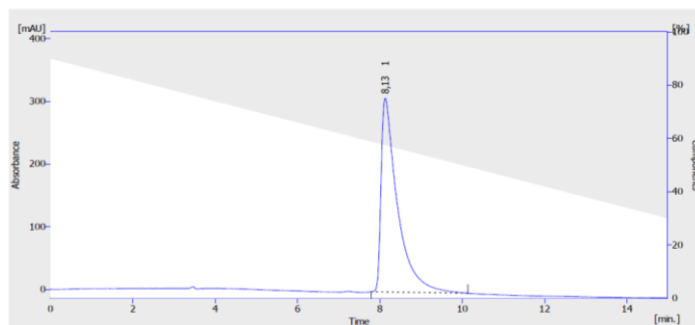
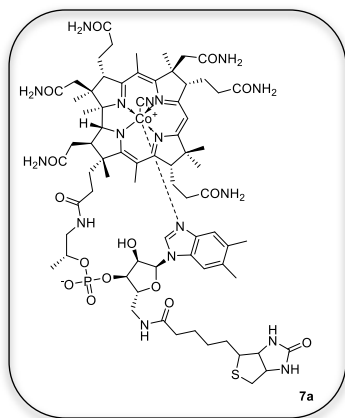
### 4. HPLC chromatograms

#### HPLC Method

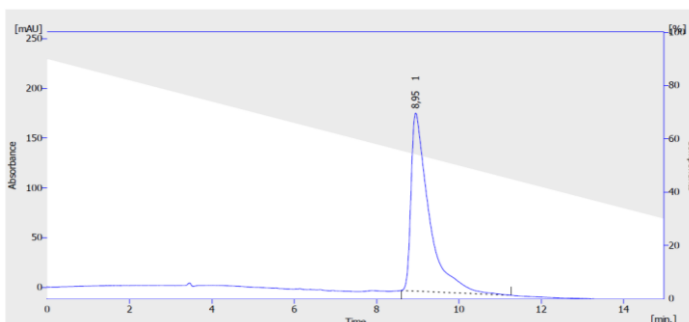
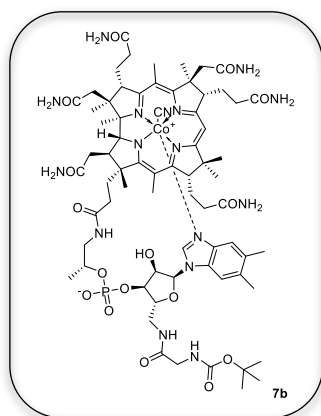
Time [min]	H <sub>2</sub> O + 0.5% TFA [%]	MeCN [%]	λ [nm]
Initial	90	10	361
15	30	70	



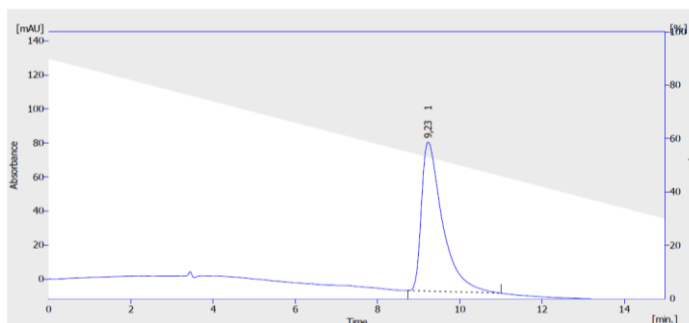
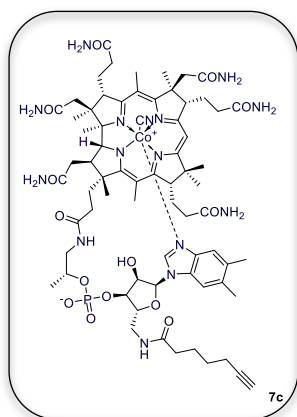
	Reten. Time [min]	Area [mAU.s]	Height [mAU]	Area [%]	Height [%]	W05 [min]	PDA Peak Purity
1	6.417	2931,116	615,739	97.5	97.6	0.06	748
2	6.717	37,950	6,176	1.3	1.0	0.10	980
3	6.983	35,703	9,028	1.2	1.4	0.06	994
Total		3004,769	630,943	100.0	100.0		



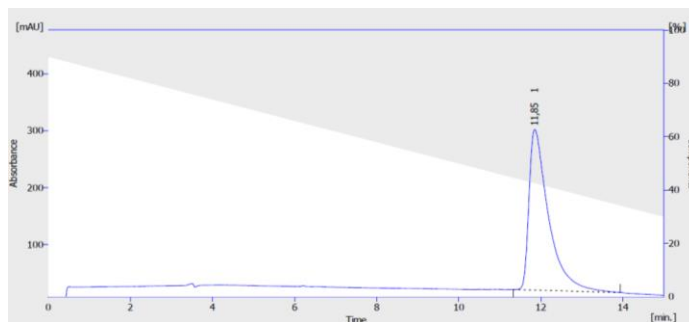
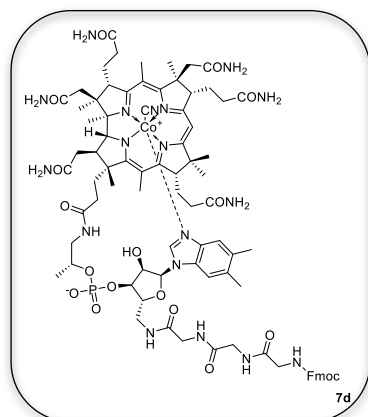
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1	8,133	8531,444	309,029	100,0	100,0	0,38	628
	Total	8531,444	309,029	100,0	100,0		



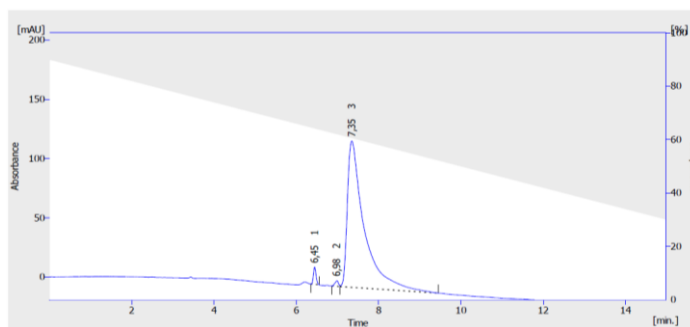
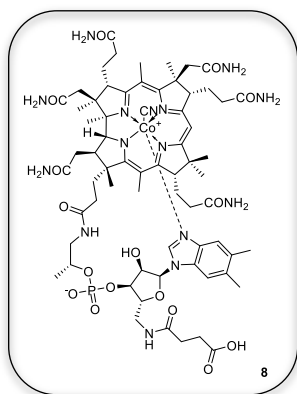
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	Total	5427,793	179,252	100,0	100,0		



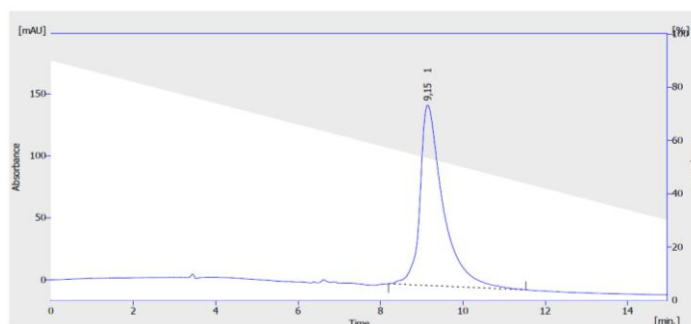
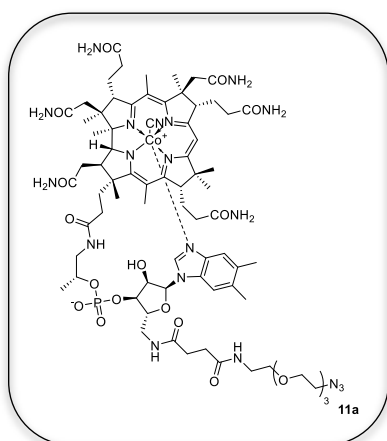
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1	9,233	3110,164	87,543	100,0	100,0	0,53	709
	Total	3110,164	87,543	100,0	100,0		



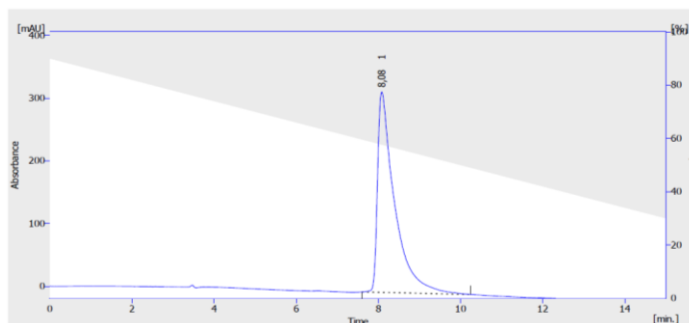
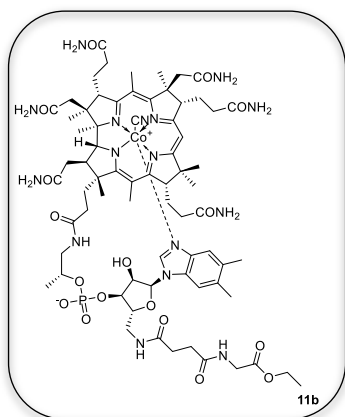
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1	11,850	9307,431	281,781	100,0	100,0	0,48	55
	Total	9307,431	281,781	100,0	100,0		



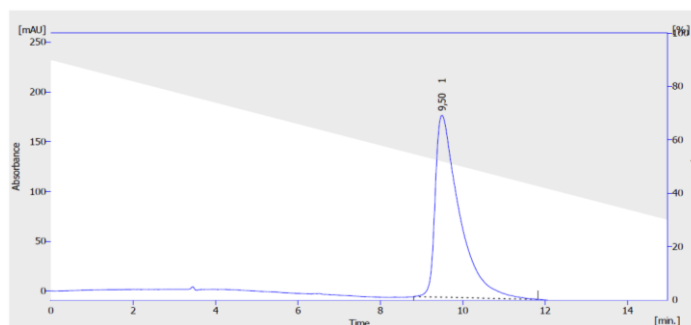
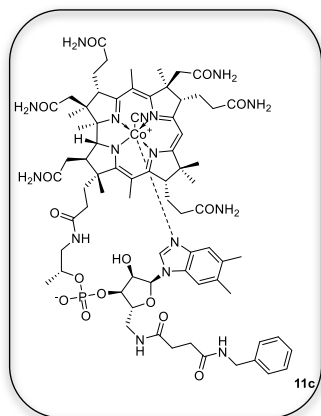
	Reten. Time [min]	Area [mAU.s]	Height [mAU]	Area [%]	Height [%]	WOS [min]	PDA Peak Purity
1	6.450	64,509	14,586	1.8	10.2	0.08	929
2	6.983	27,948	4,718	0.8	3.3	0.12	974
3	7.350	3505,415	123,476	97.4	86.5	0.38	744
Total		3597,772	142,779	100.0	100.0		



	Reten. Time [min]	Area [mAU.s]	Height [mAU]	Area [%]	Height [%]	WOS [min]	PDA Peak Purity
1	9.150	5667,932	145,556	100.0	100.0	0.53	688
Total		5667,932	145,556	100.0	100.0		

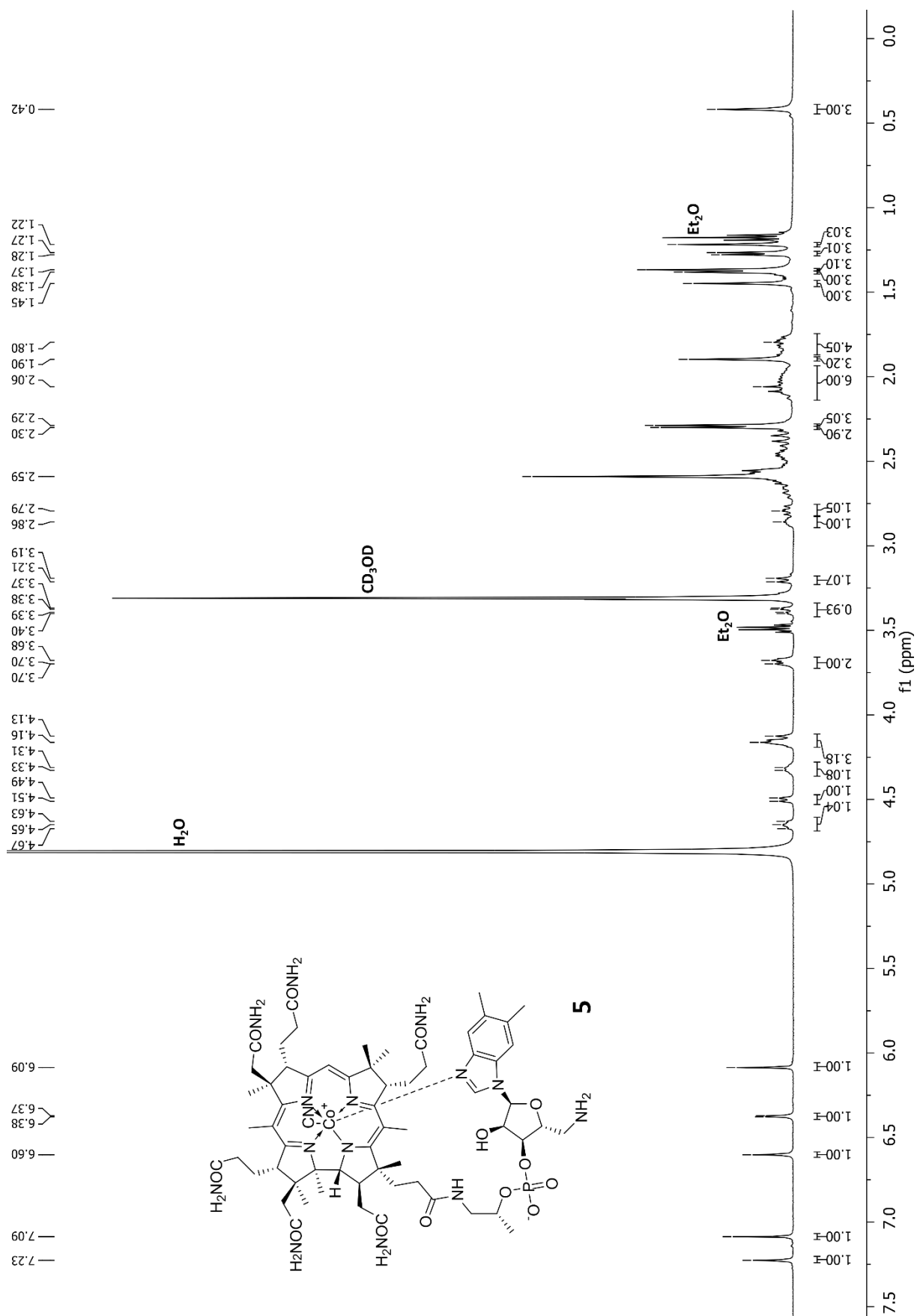


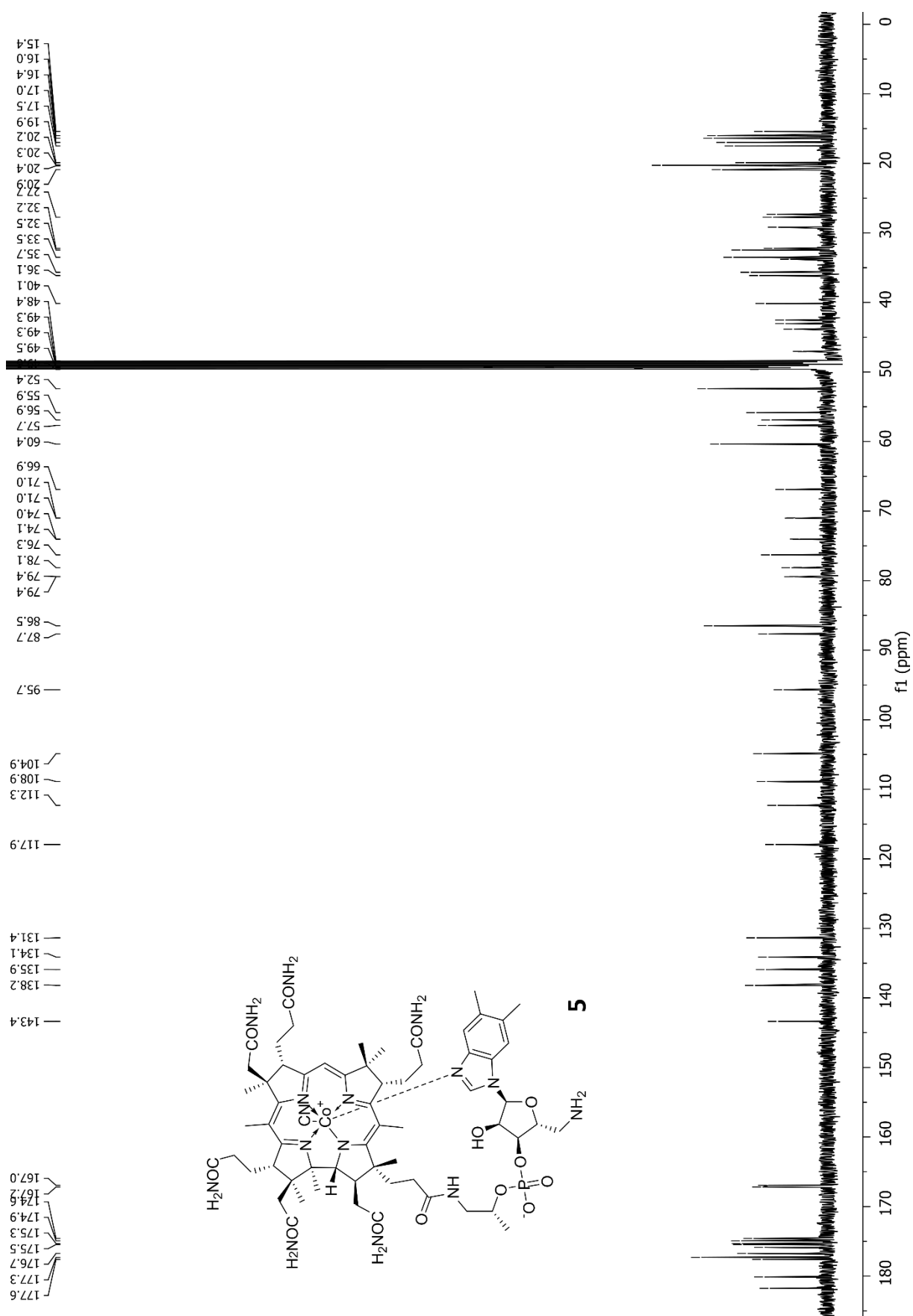
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1	8.083	9207,680	319,976	100.0	100.0	0.40	639
Total		9207,680	319,976	100.0	100.0		



	Reten. Time [min]	Area [mAU.s]	Height [mAU]	Area [%]	Height [%]	WOS [min]	PDA Peak Purity
1	9.500	7414,466	182,862	100.0	100.0	0.58	680
Total		7414,466	182,862	100.0	100.0		

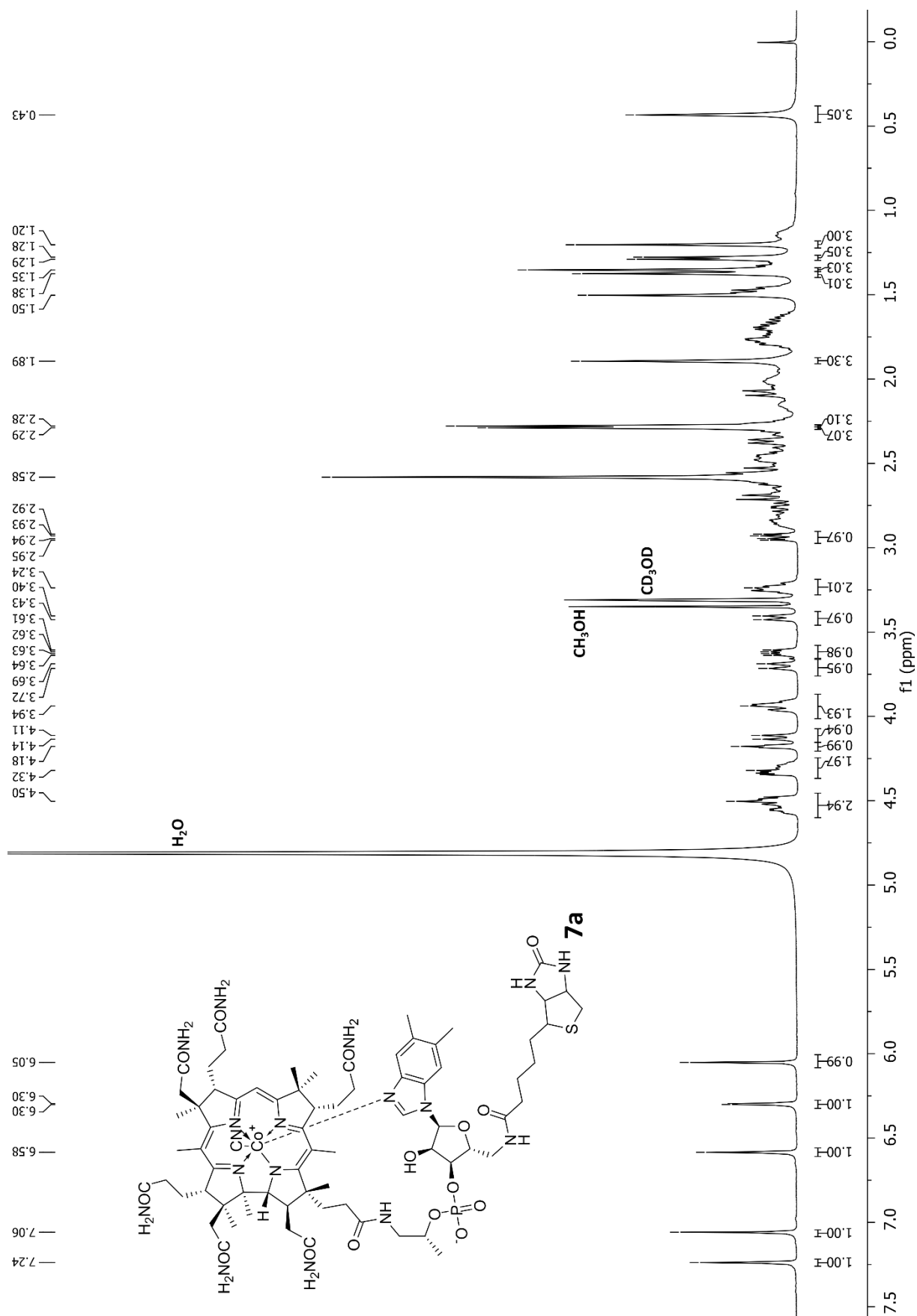
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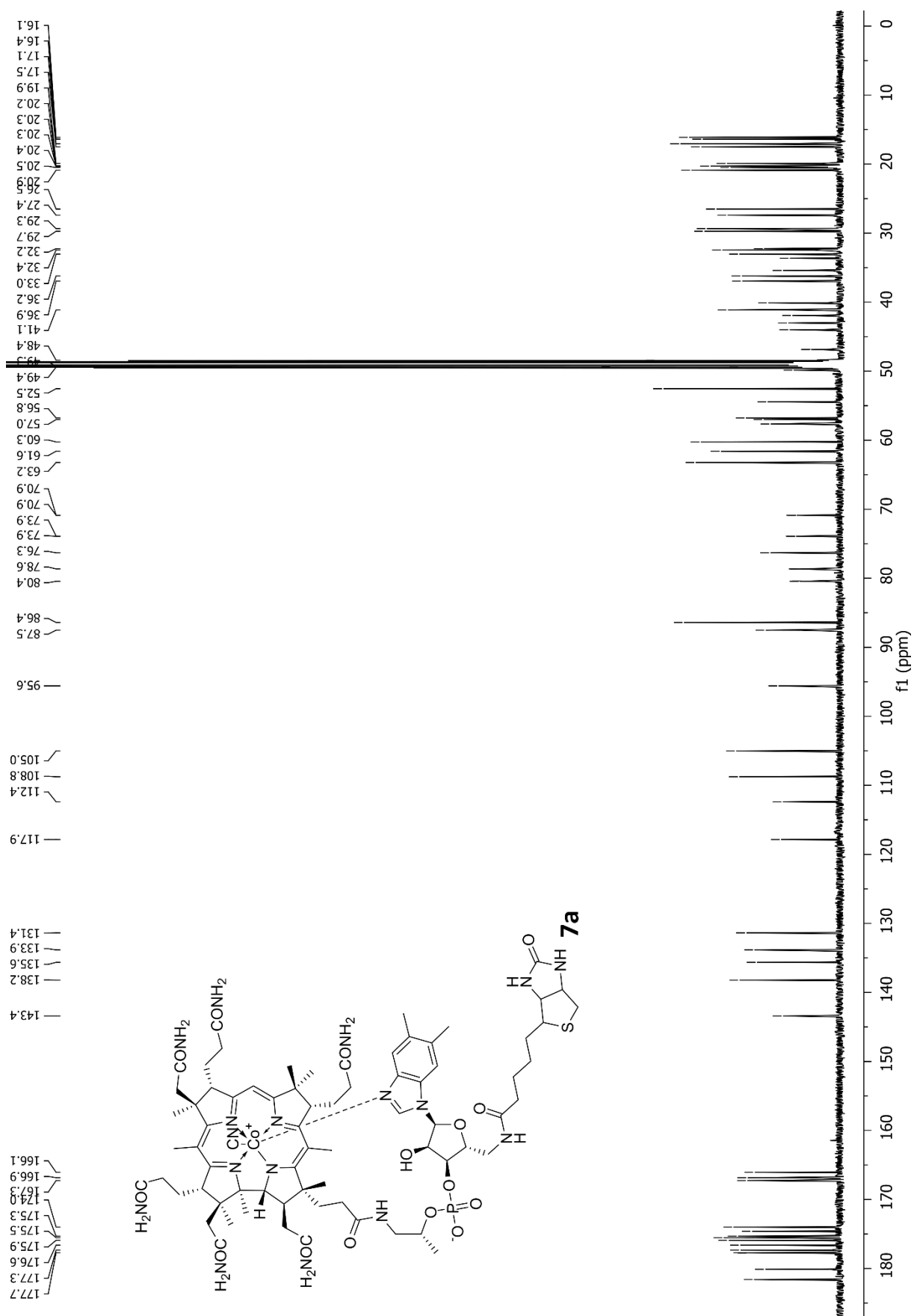




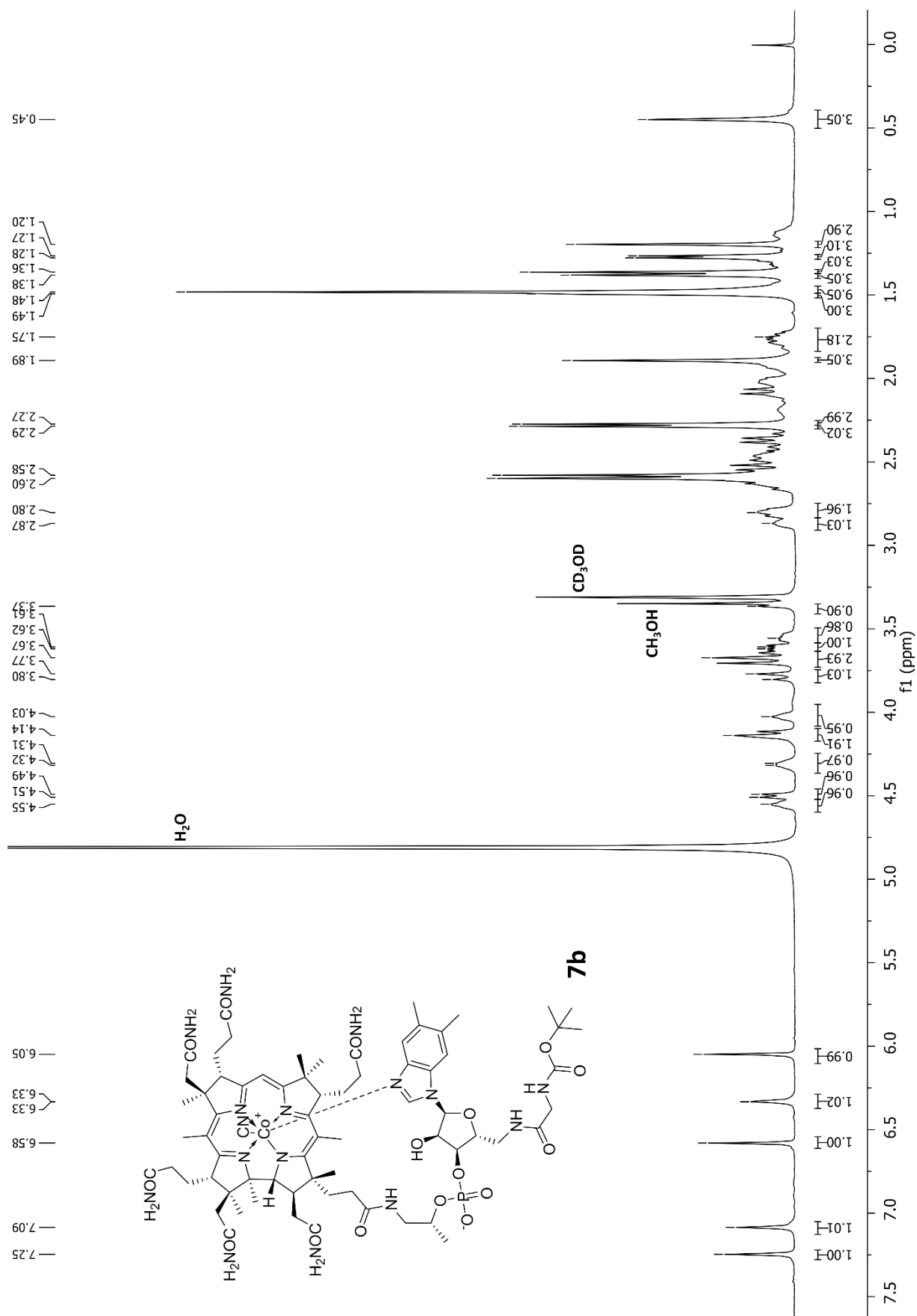


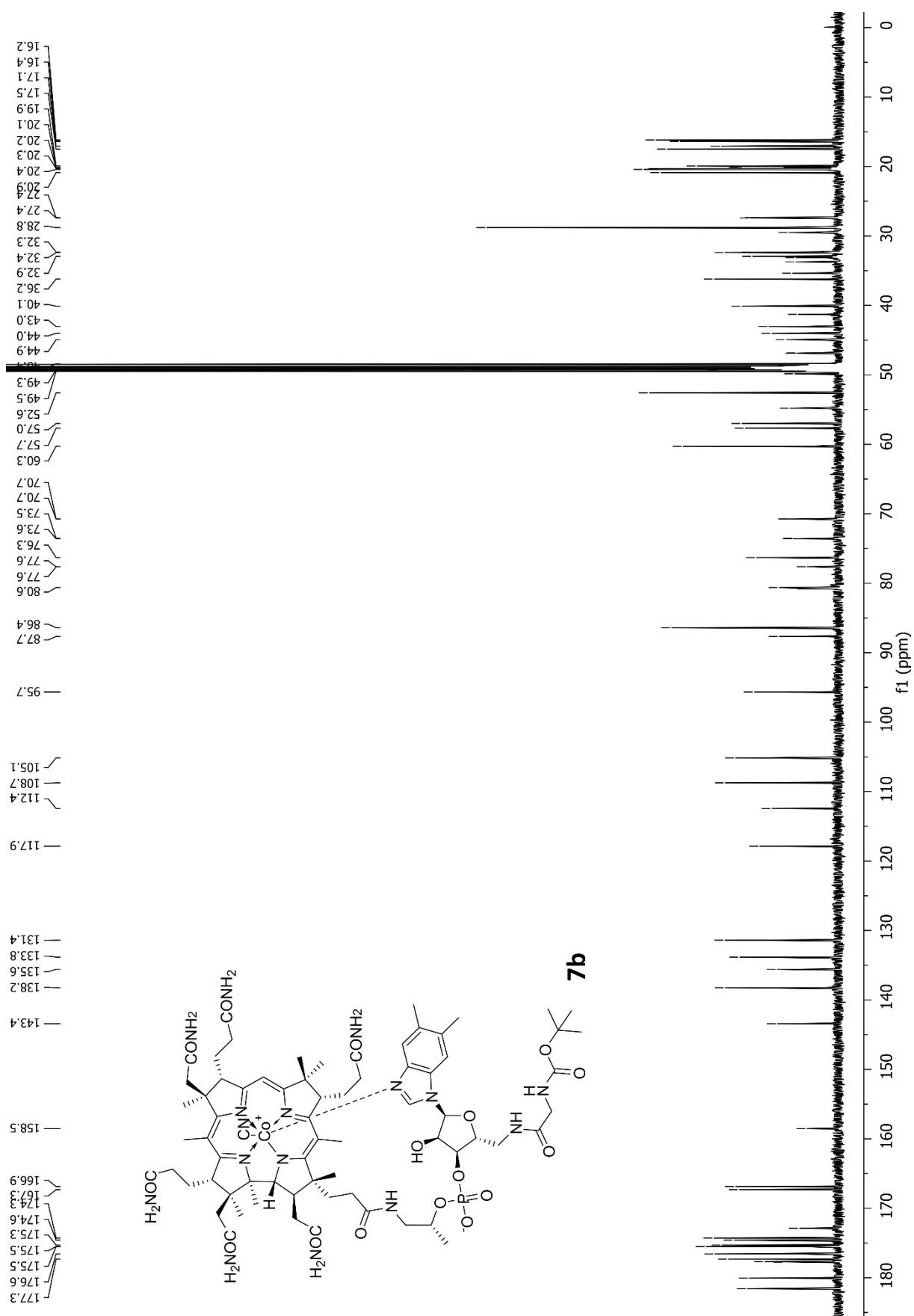
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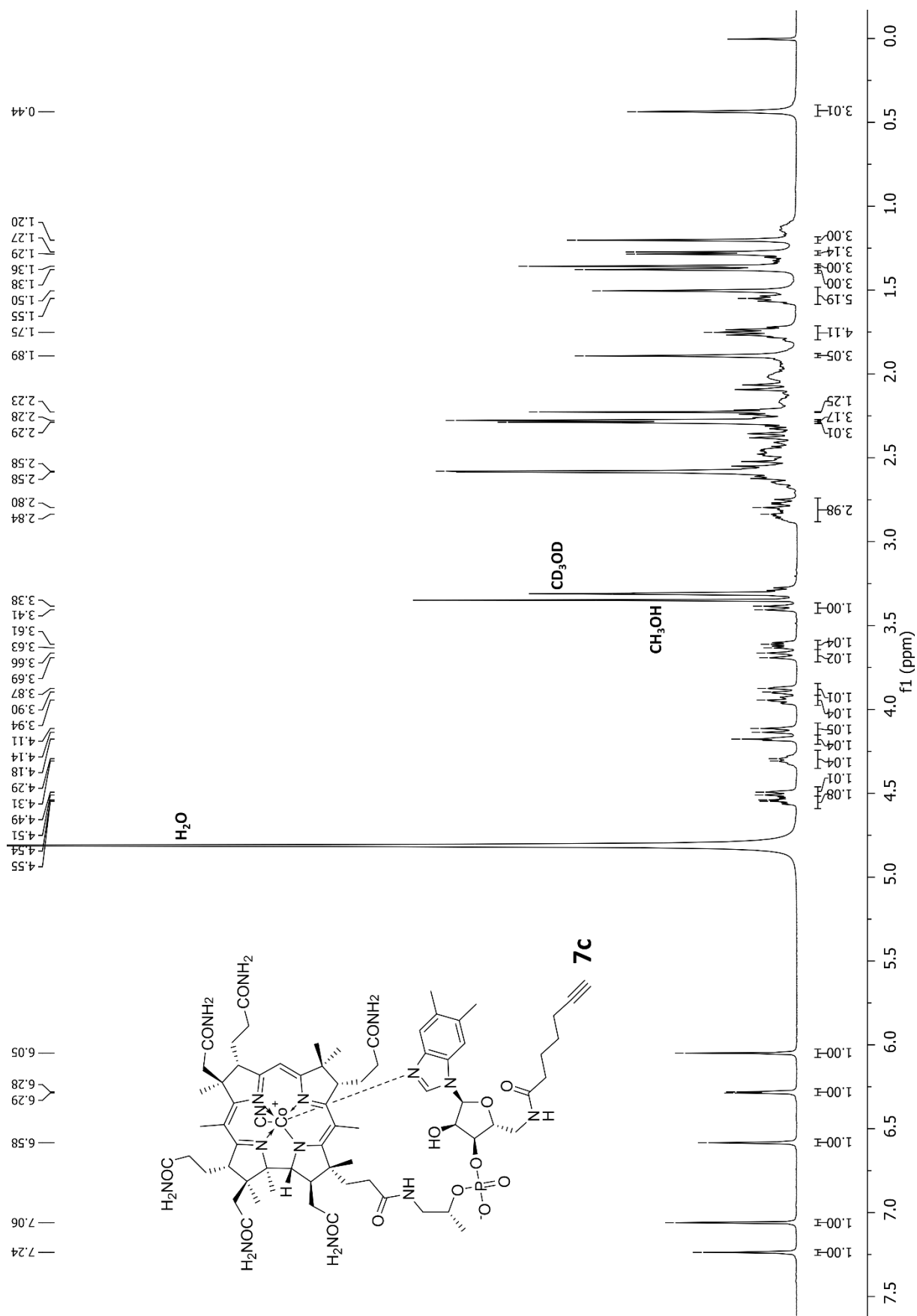


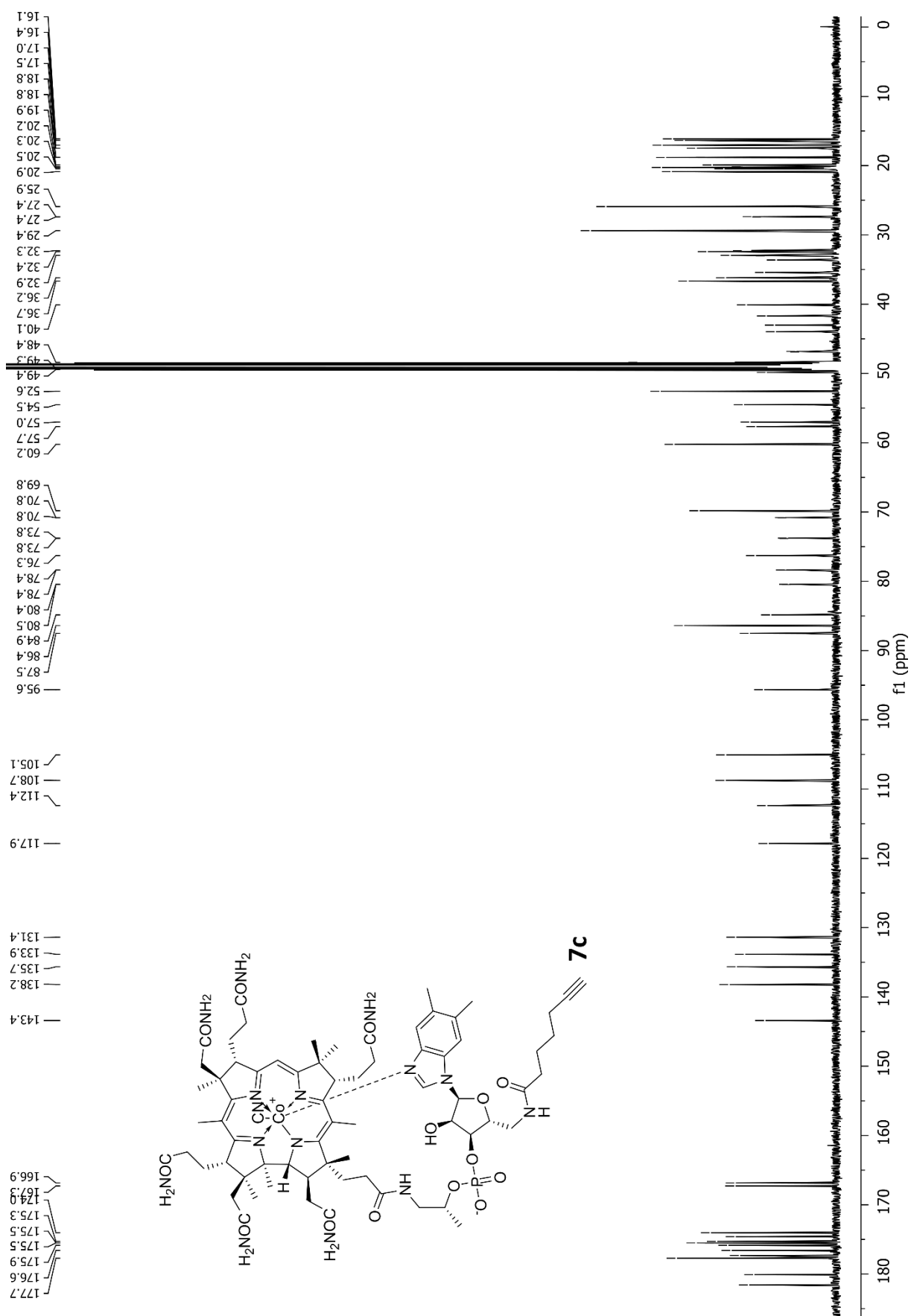
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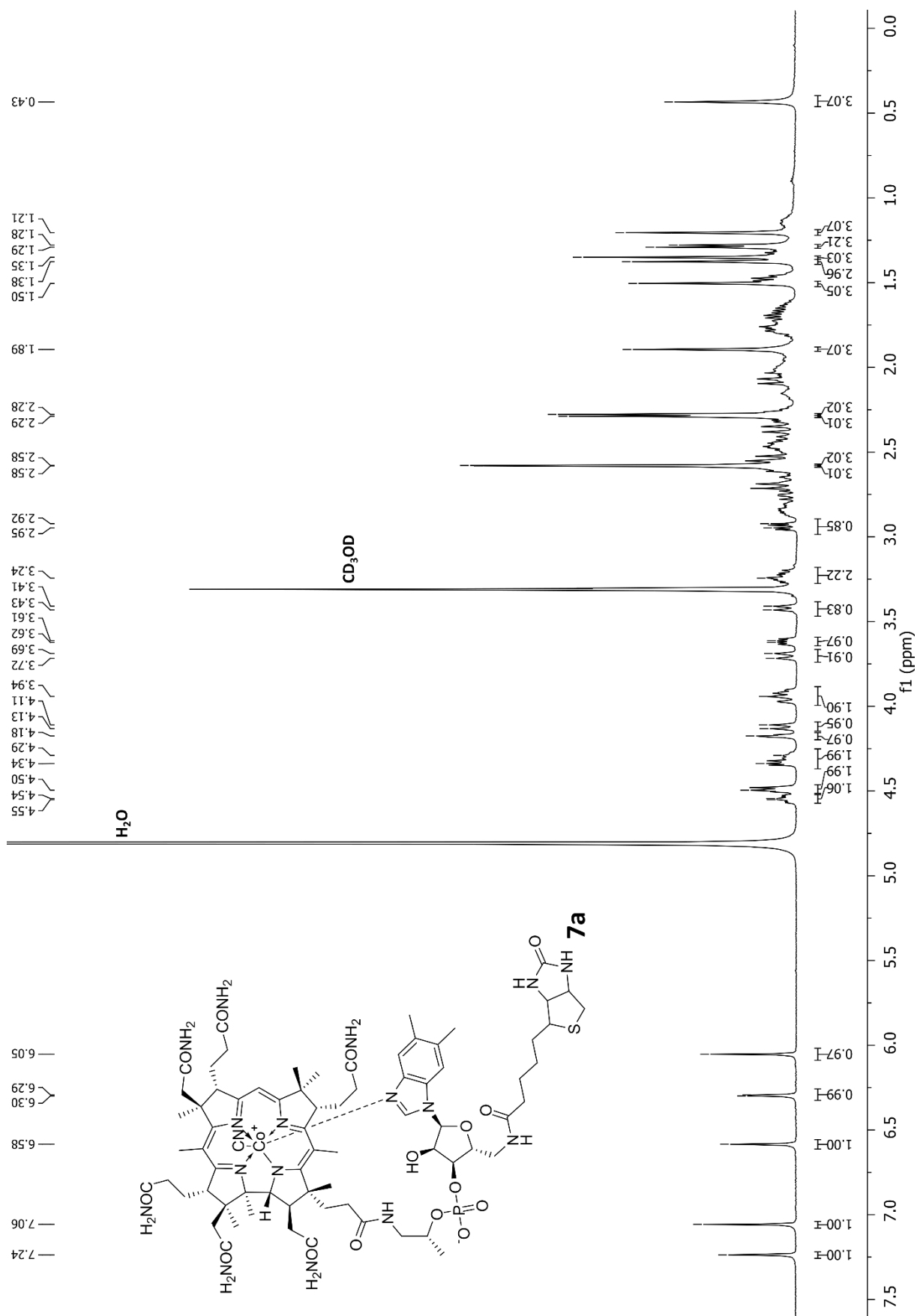


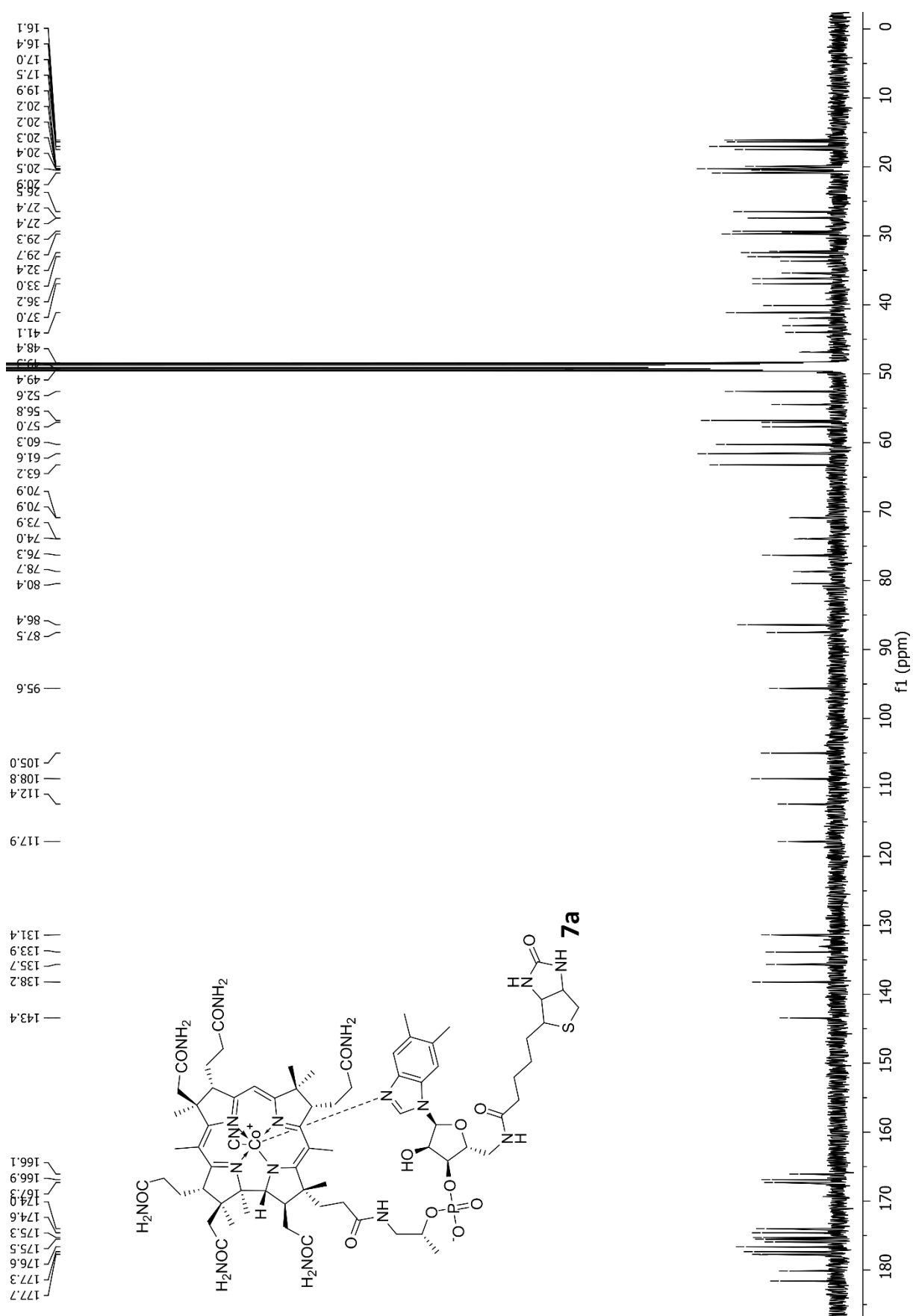
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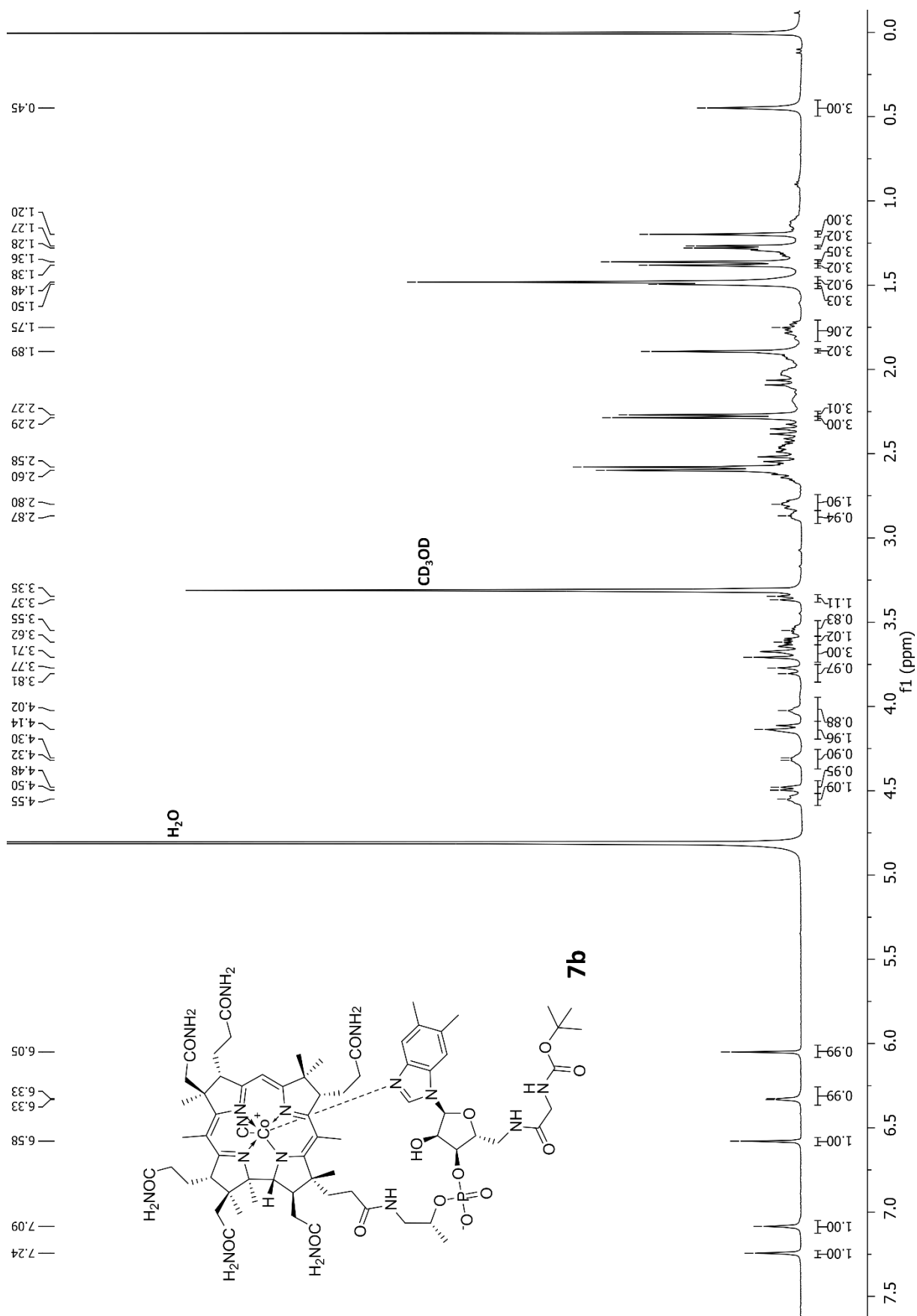
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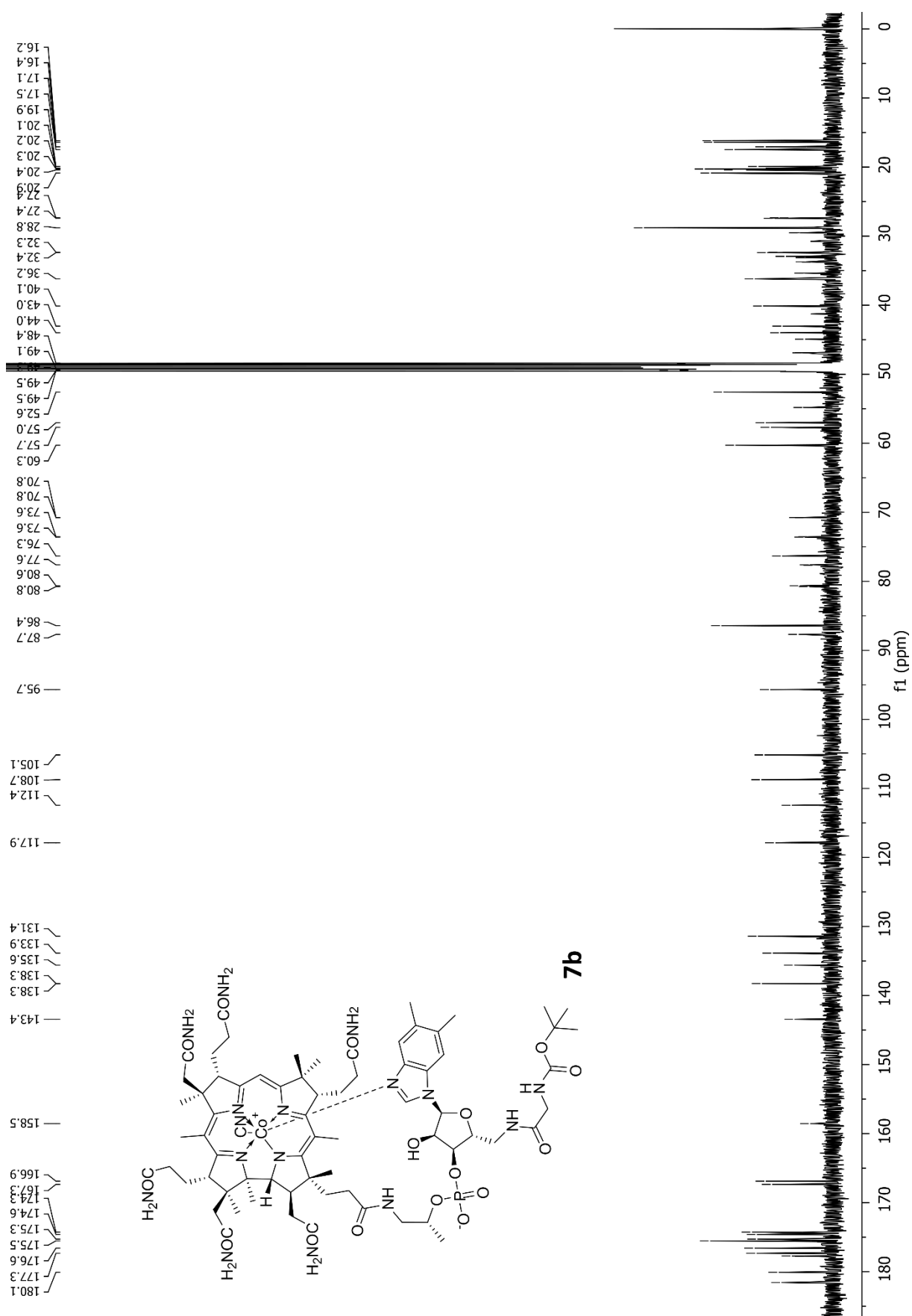




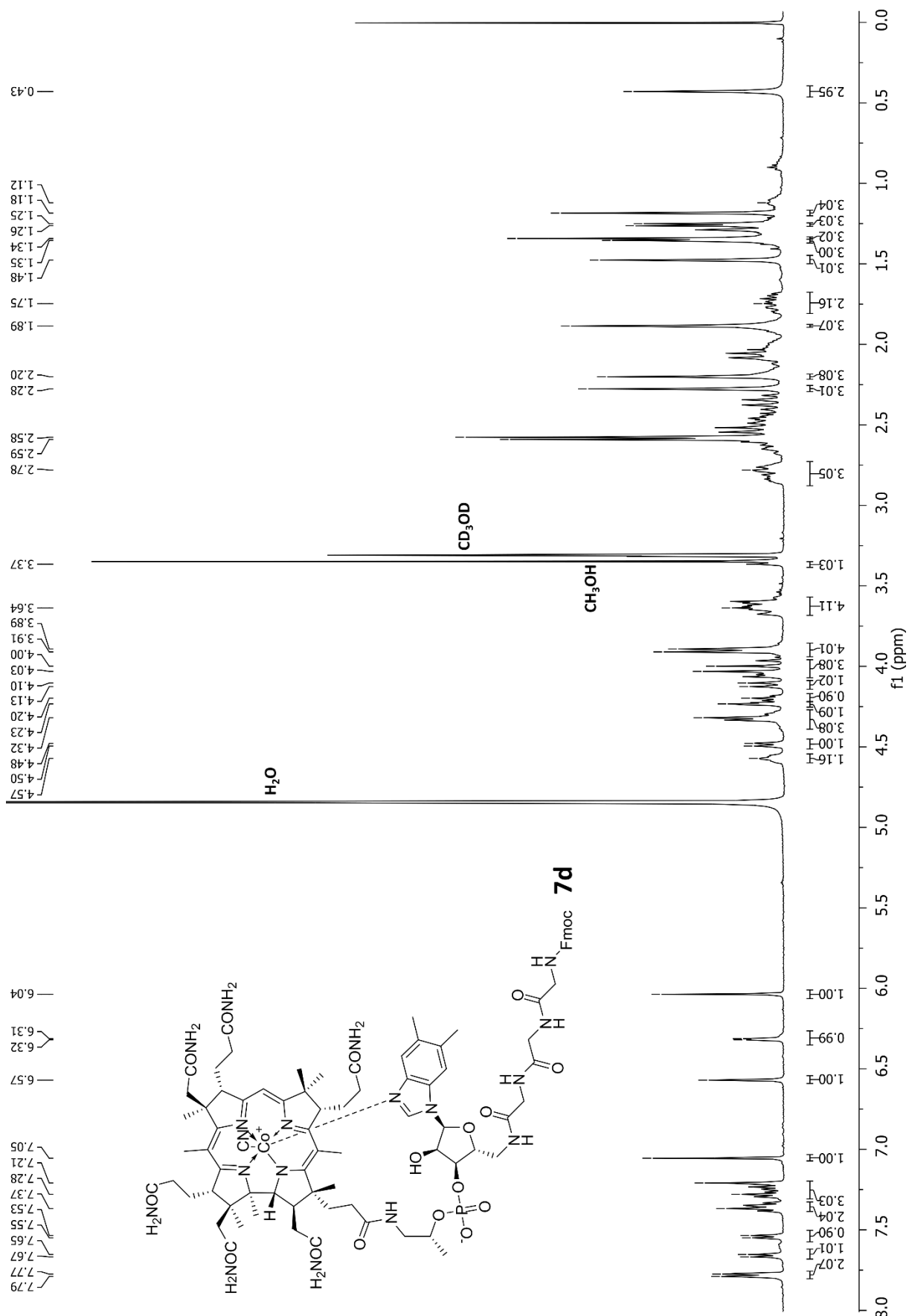


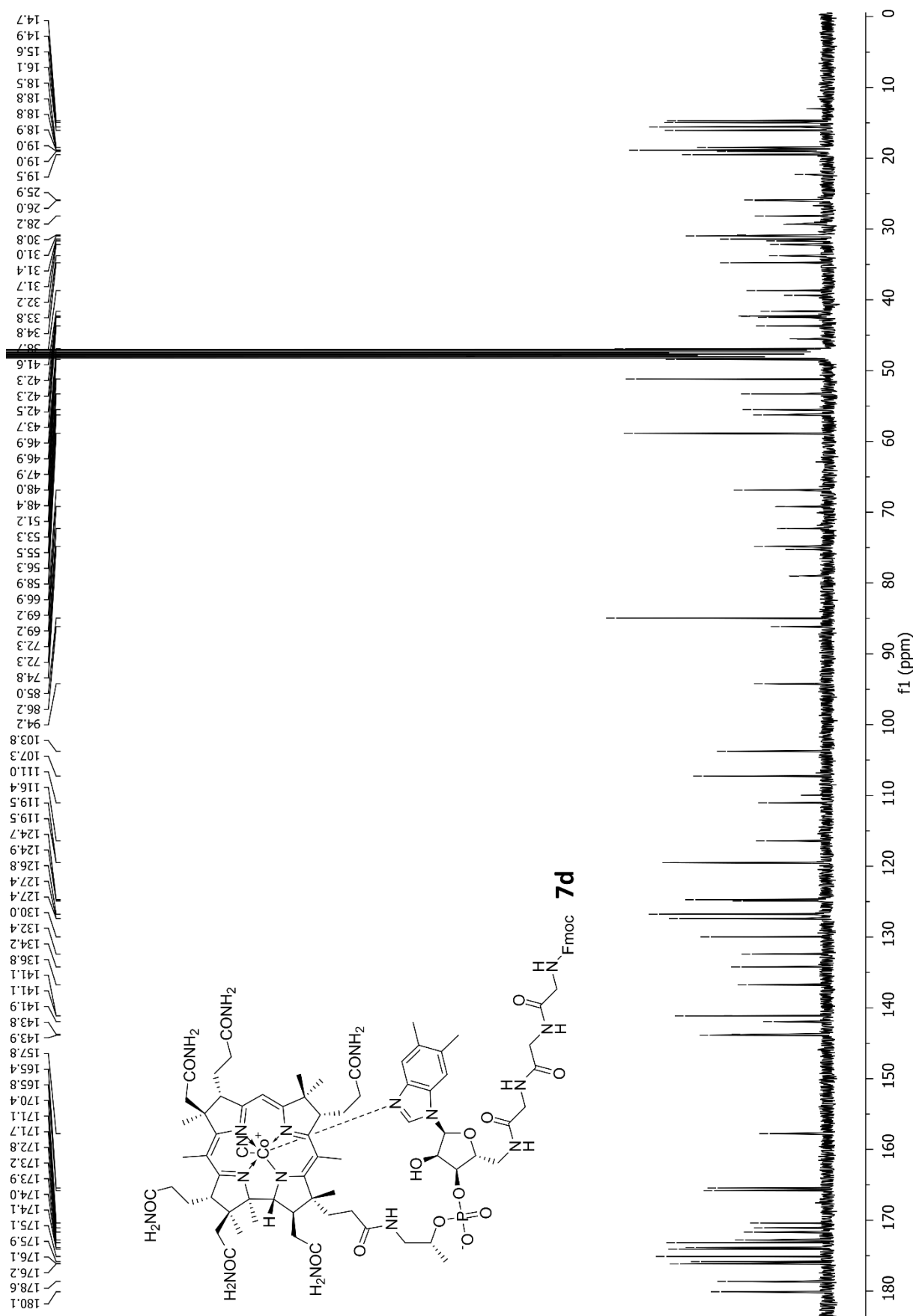
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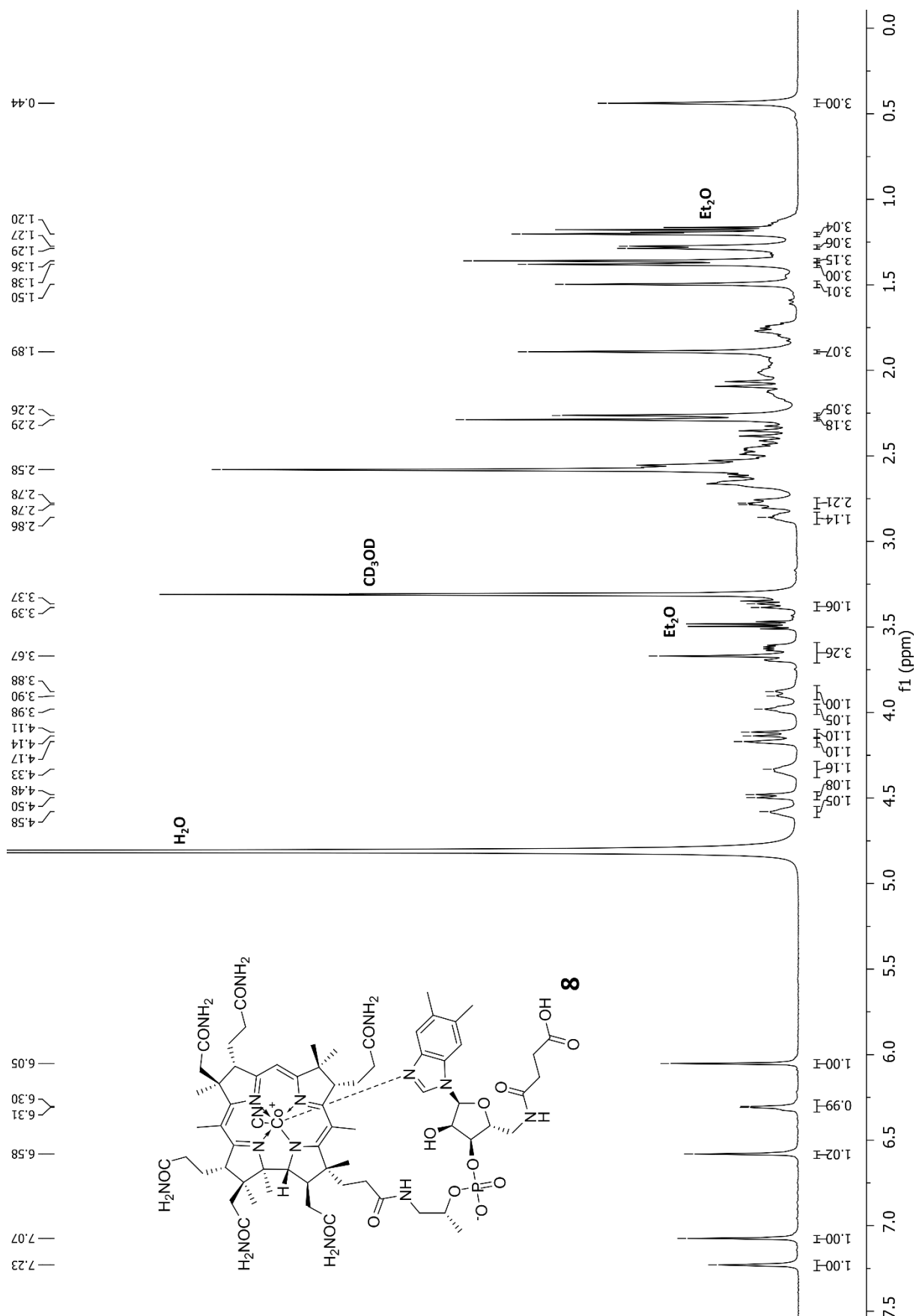


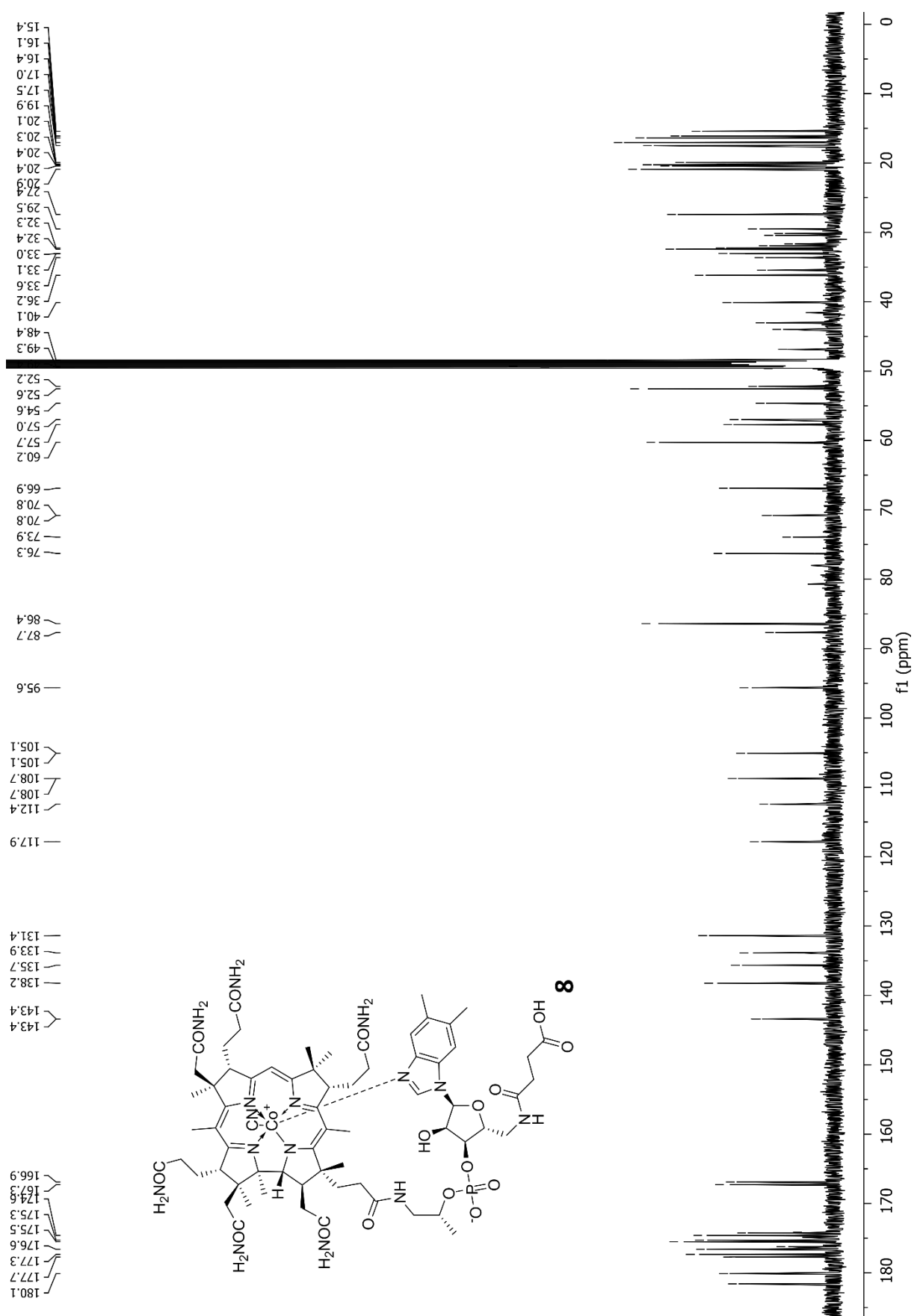
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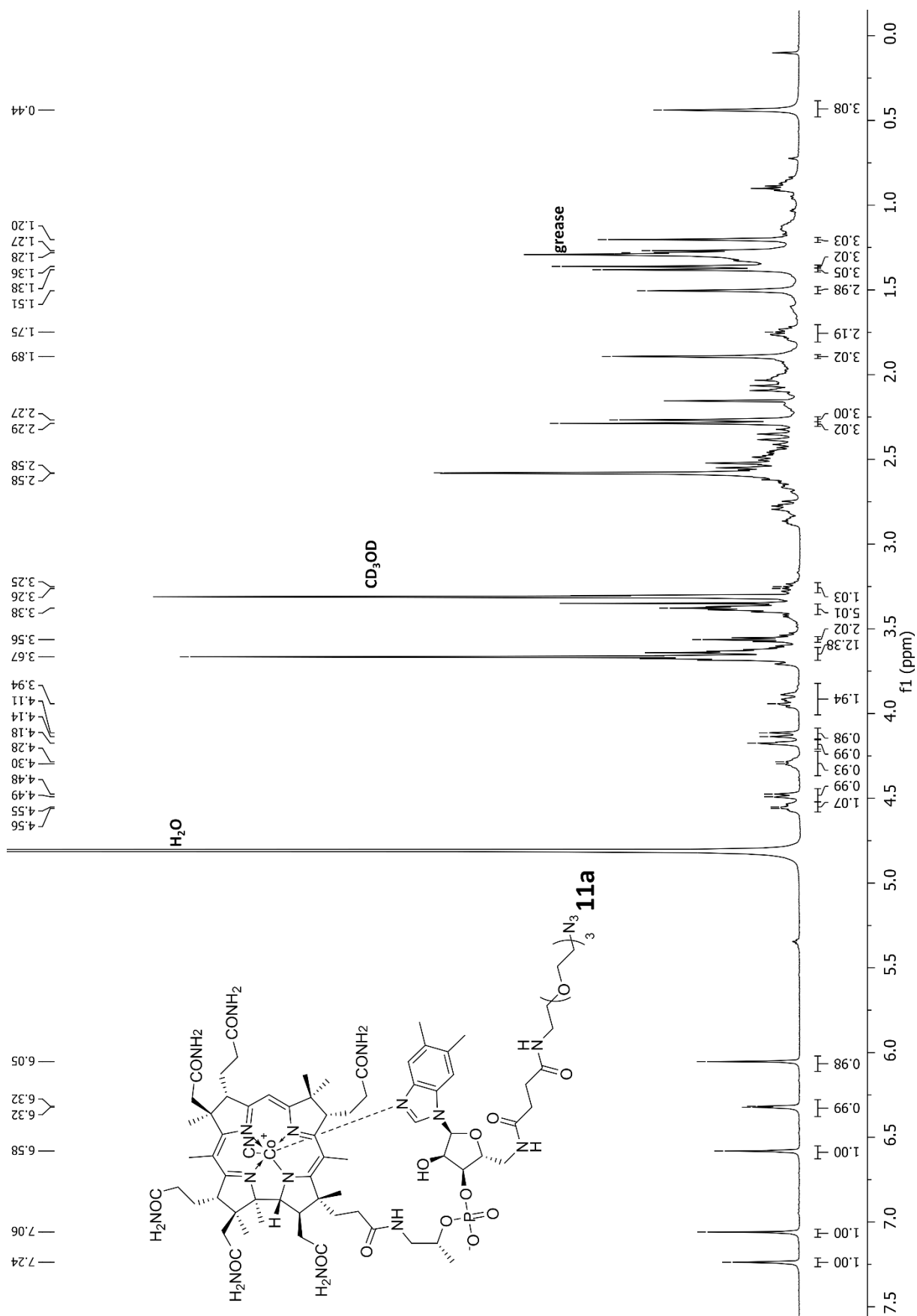


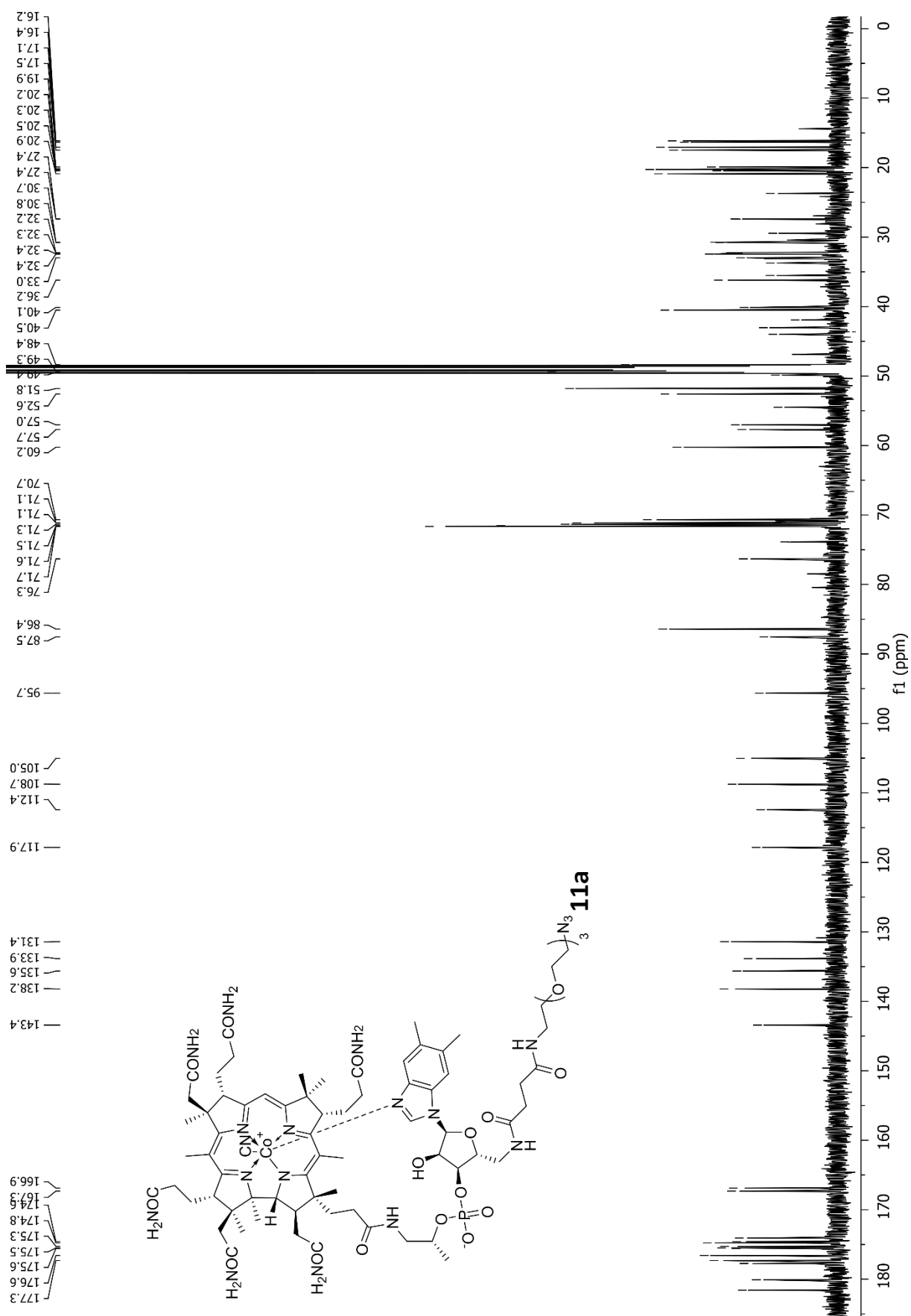
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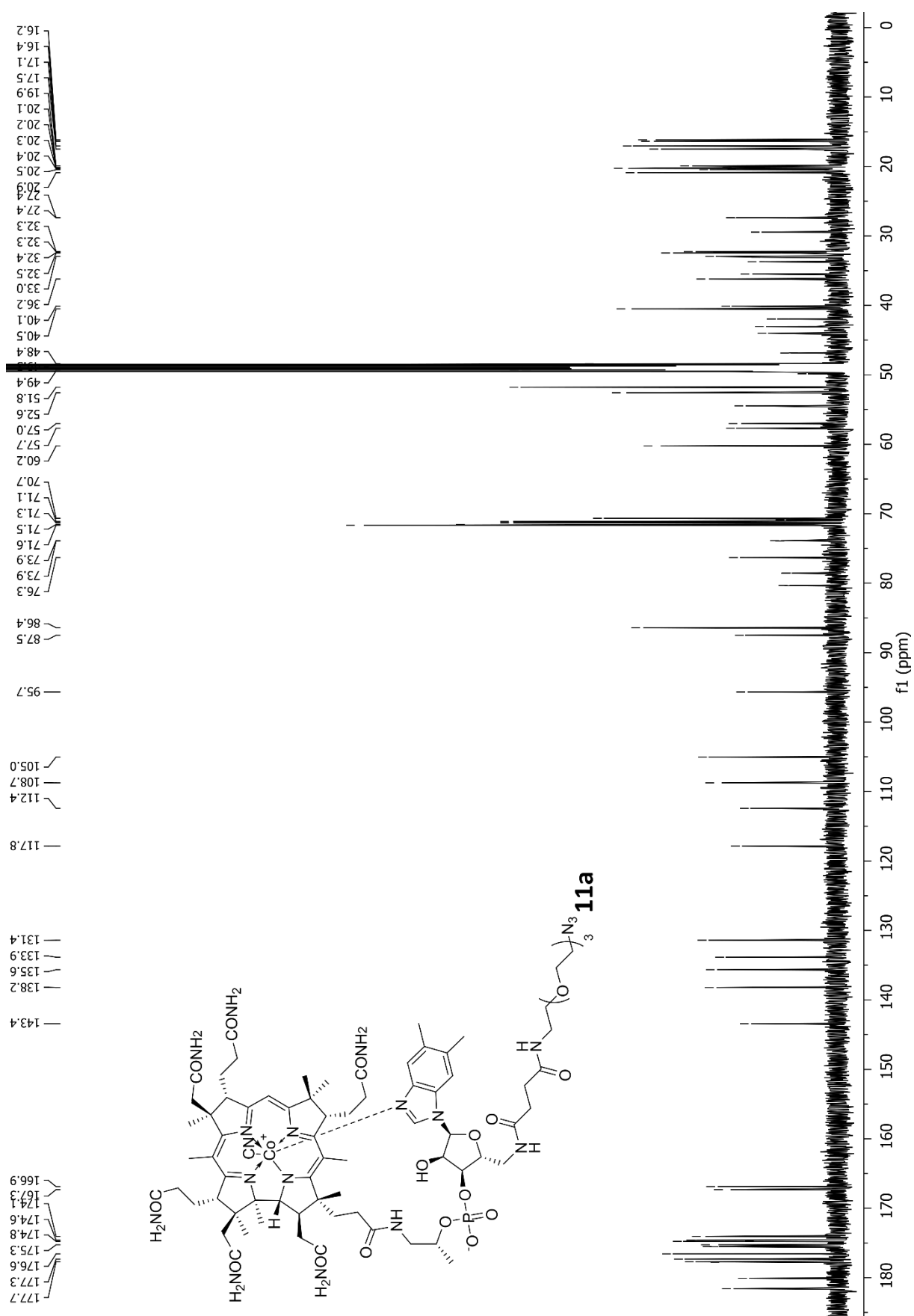
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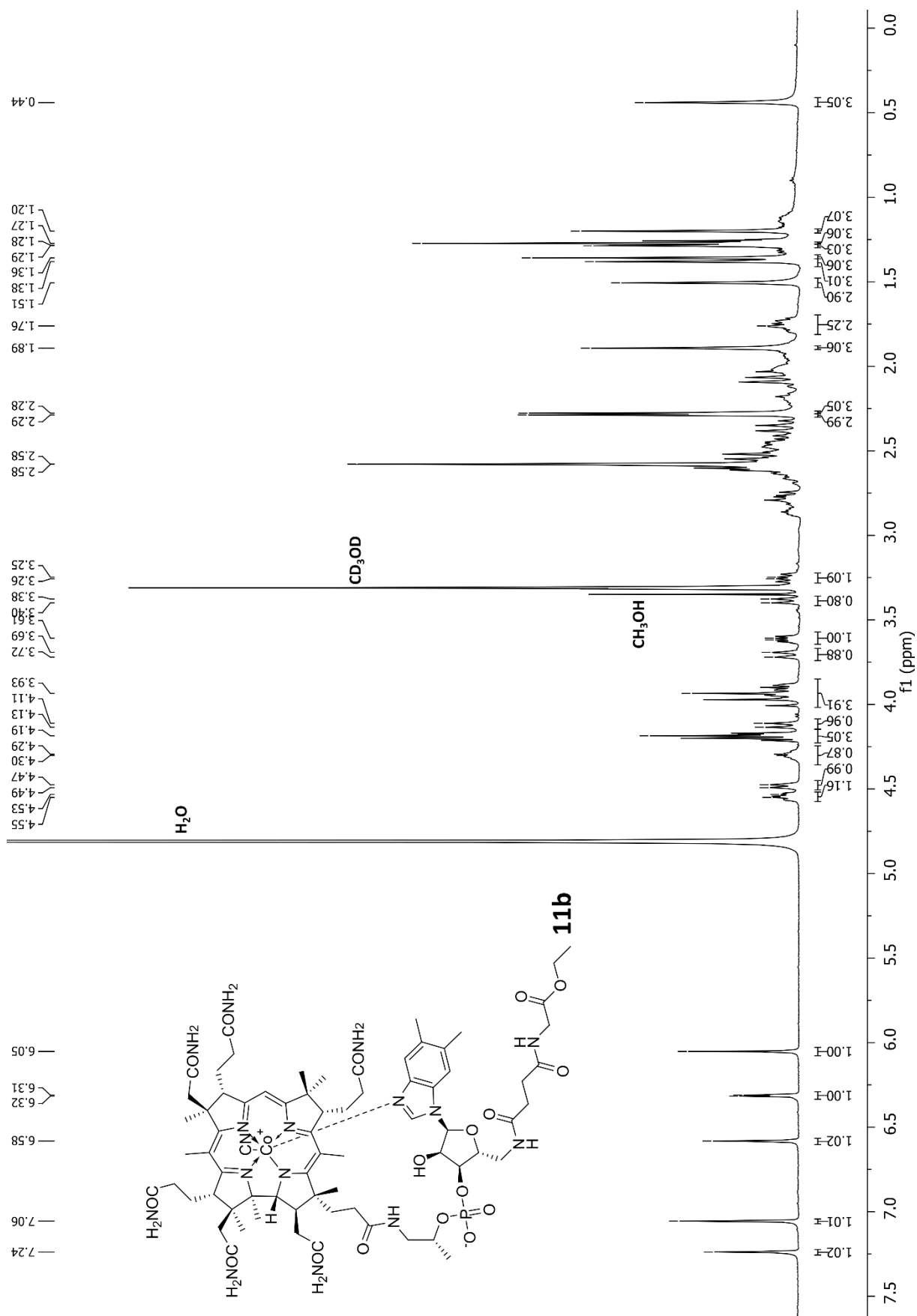


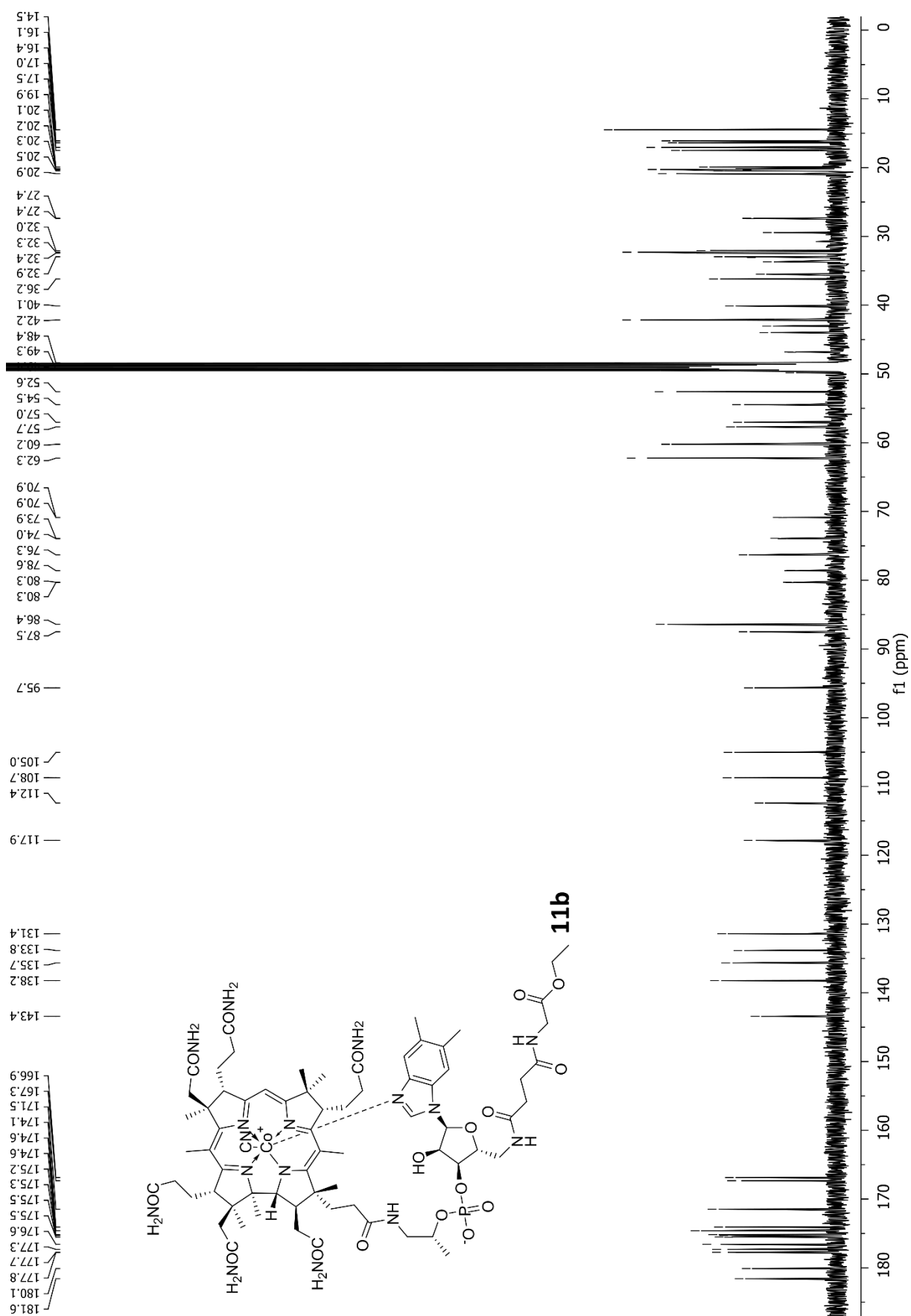


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16.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (126 MHz) of compound **11c** in  $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$  (for clarity only well isolated signals are integrated)

