

## 4Supporting Information

### Rhodium-Catalyzed Dehydrogenative Borylation of Cyclic Alkenes

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#### General Information

All manipulations were carried out in an inert atmosphere using standard Schlenk line or glovebox techniques. Tetrahydrofuran and toluene were purified via an SG Water USA solvent column system before they were used. Materials obtained from commercial supplier were used without further purification. Analytical thin-layer chromatography was performed using EM Science silica gel 60 F254 plates. The developed chromatogram was visualized by UV lamp or stained using aqueous potassium permanganate ( $\text{KMnO}_4$ ). Liquid chromatography was performed using a forced flow (flash chromatography) of the indicated solvent system on Silicycle silica gel (230-400 mesh).

$^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra were recorded on Varian Inova 500 MHz spectrometers in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ . Chemical shifts in  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra are reported in parts per million (ppm) on the  $\delta$  scale from an internal standard of residual chloroform (7.27 ppm). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, and br = broad), coupling constant in hertz (Hz), and integration. Chemical shifts of  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra are reported in ppm from the central peak of  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (77.23 ppm) on the  $\delta$  scale. Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 2000 FT-IR. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained on a Bruker Daltonics APEXII 3 Fourier Transform Mass Spectrometer by Li Li of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Department of Chemistry Instrumentation Facility.

## Experimental Procedure

### Representative Procedure for the Rhodium-Catalyzed Dehydrogenative Borylation of Cyclic Alkenes.

[RhCl(cod)]<sub>2</sub> (6.4 mg, 0.013 mmol), Xantphos (0.014 g, 0.025 mmol) and bis(pinacolato)diboron (0.13 g, 0.50 mmol) were placed in a 10-mL Schlenk tube in a glovebox filled with nitrogen. On the Schlenk line, THF (2.0 mL) was added, and the mixture was stirred for 5 min. Cyclohexene (**1a**) (0.10 g, 1.2 mmol) was added, and the resulting solution was heated in an oil bath (115 °C) for 24 h. After the mixture was cooled to room temperature, H<sub>2</sub>O (10 mL) was added, and the product was extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL × 3). The combined organic layer was dried over sodium sulfate and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude reaction mixture. Chromatographic purification on silica (hexane/ethyl acetate = 30 : 1) yielded mixture of **3a**, **3a'** and **4a** (0.15 g, **3a** : **3a'** : **4a** = 87 : 3 : 10, **3a** = 64%, **3a'** = 2%, **4a** = 7%) as a colorless oil. Yields of **3** and **4** are determined by the weight with the ratio of **3** and **4** (and **3'**) based on <sup>1</sup>H NMR after column purification.

### Representative Procedure for the Rhodium-Catalyzed Dehydrogenative Borylation followed by Suzuki-Miyaura Cross-Coupling Reaction.

[RhCl(cod)]<sub>2</sub> (6.4 mg, 0.013 mmol), Xantphos (0.014 g, 0.025 mmol) and bis(pinacolato)diboron (0.13 g, 0.50 mmol) were placed in a 10-mL Schlenk tube in a glovebox filled with nitrogen. On the Schlenk line, THF (2.0 mL) was added, and the mixture was stirred for 5 min. Cyclohexene (**1a**) (0.10 g, 1.2 mmol) was added, and the resulting solution was heated in an oil bath (115 °C) for 24 h. After the mixture was cooled to room temperature, the resulting mixture was filtrated on silica and concentrated under reduced pressure. PdCl<sub>2</sub>(dppf) (0.022 g, 0.030 mmol) and K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (0.64 g, 3.0 mmol) were placed in a 25-mL round bottom flask in a glovebox. DMF (2.0 mL) was added and the mixture was stirred for 10 min. 4-Bromotoluene (0.17 g, 1.0 mmol) and the solution of the crude reaction mixture in DMF (2.0 mL) were sequentially added. The resulting mixture was then heated in an oil bath (80 °C) for 17 h. After the mixture was cooled to room temperature, saturated aq. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (10 mL) was added and the product was extracted with hexane/ethyl acetate (10 : 1, 10 mL × 3). Combined organic layer was dried over sodium sulfate. Concentration under reduced pressure followed by silica gel column prification (hexane) afforded **5a** (0.11 g, 0.64 mmol) in 64% yield as a colorless oil.

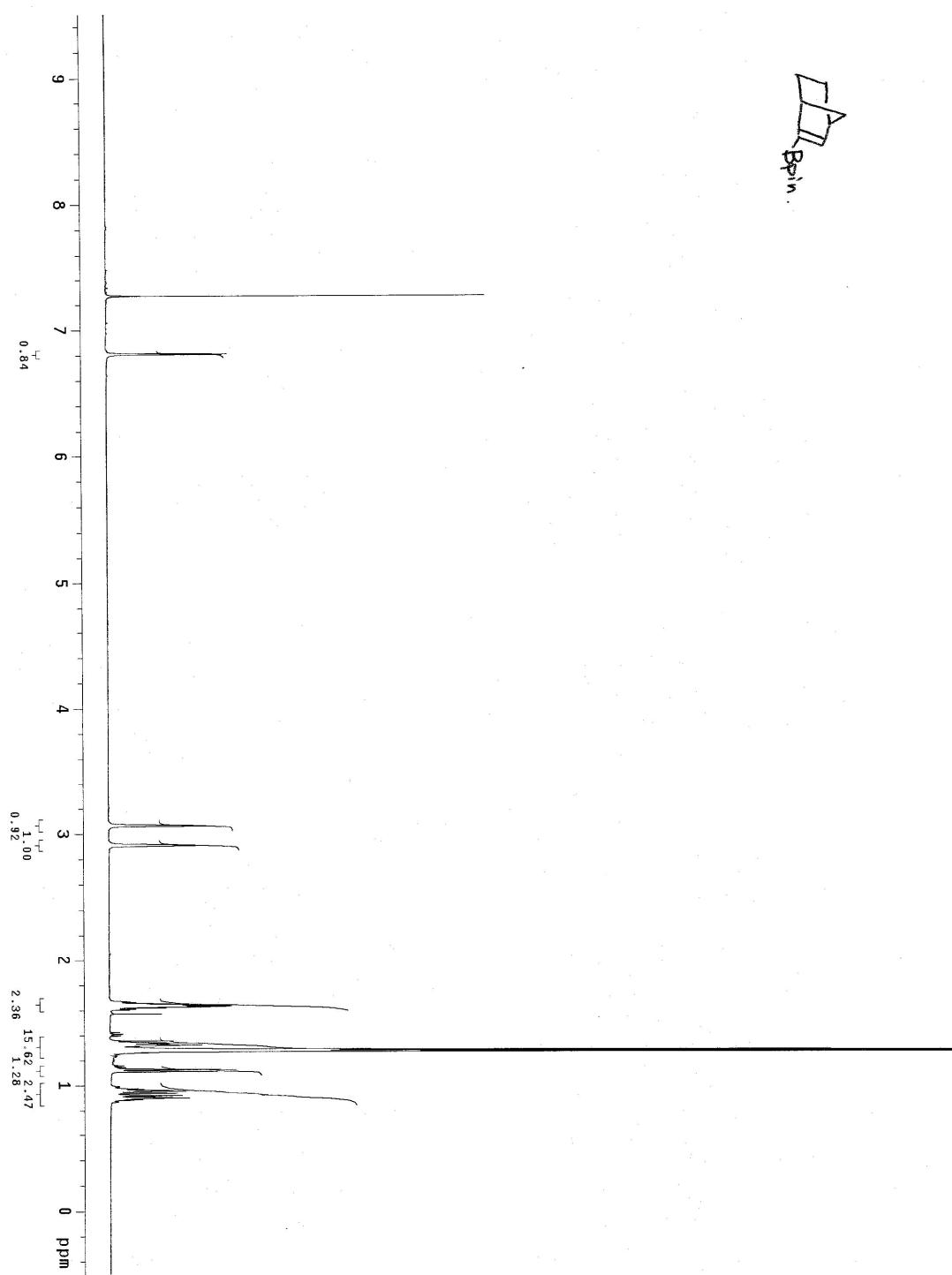
## Characterization Data

1-Alkenylboronate esters **3a**,<sup>1</sup> **3b**,<sup>1</sup> **3c**<sup>1</sup> and **3d**<sup>1</sup> and cross-coupling products **5a**<sup>2</sup> and **5c**<sup>3</sup> showed the same spectroscopic data in the literature.

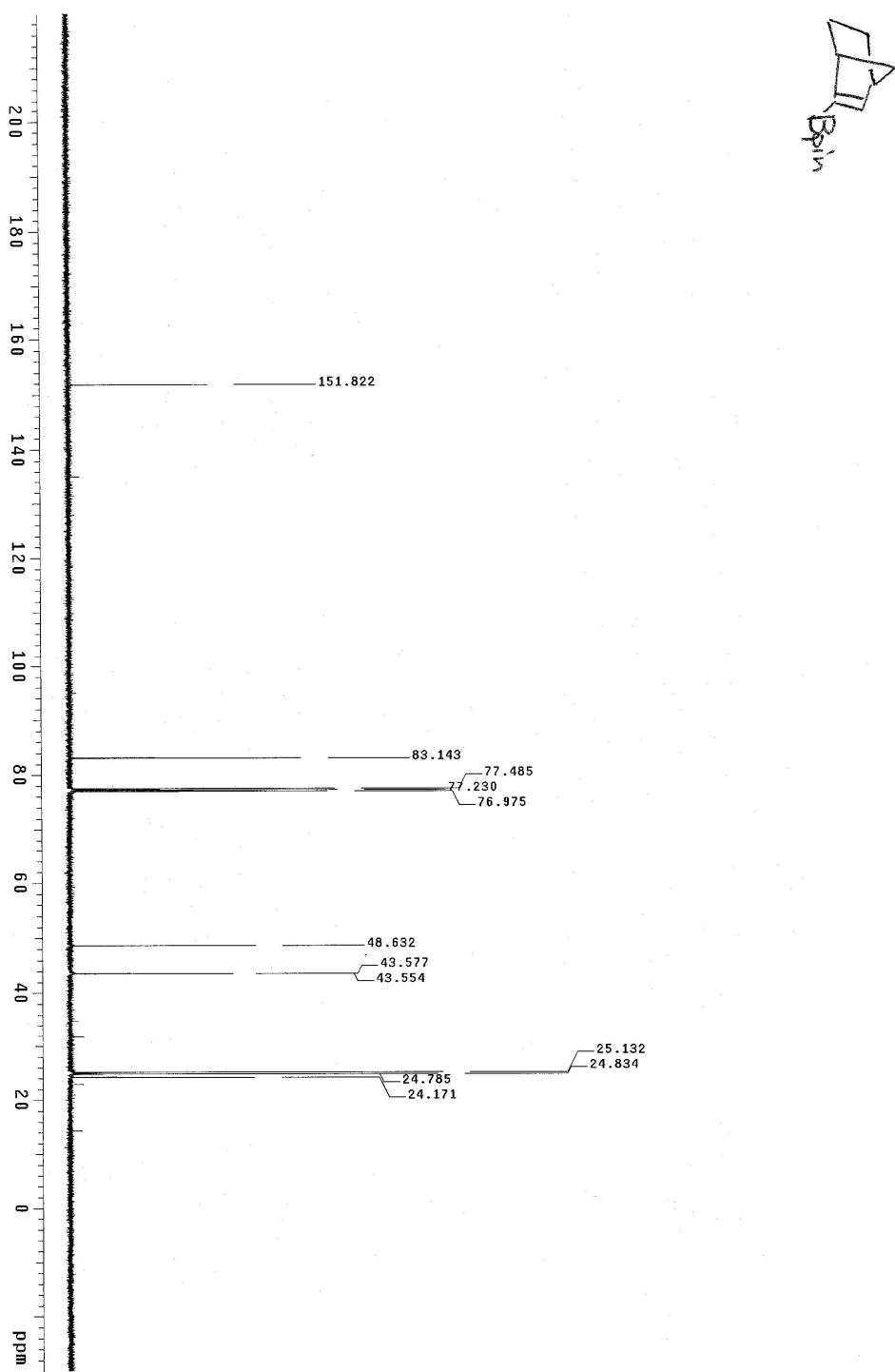
**2-(4,4,5,5-Tetramethyl-1,3,2-dioxaborolan-2-yl)-bicyclo[2.2.1]hept-2-ene (3e):** IR (neat) 3047, 2976, 2869, 1589, 1469, 1447, 1368, 1310, 1267, 1213, 1146, 1046, 963, 864, 697 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 0.86–1.00 (m, 2H), 1.10–1.14 (m, 1H), 1.27 (s, 6H), 1.28 (s, 6H), 1.30–1.35 (m, 1H), 1.60–1.68 (m, 2H), 2.89–2.93 (m, 1H), 3.05–3.08 (m, 1H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 24.2, 24.7, 24.8, 25.1, 43.5, 43.6, 48.6, 83.1, 151.8; HRMS-ESI (m/z): [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Observed: 220.1745. Calculated for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>21</sub>BO<sub>2</sub>: 220.1744.

**1-(2-Methylphenyl)cycloheptene (5d):** IR (neat) 3016, 2921, 2849, 1484, 1447, 1378, 964, 854, 753, 726 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 1.58–1.67 (m, 4H), 1.80–1.87 (m, 2H), 2.25–2.30 (m, 2H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.40–2.45 (m, 2H), 5.75 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 7.05–7.10 (m, 1H), 7.10–7.17 (m, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 20.50, 27.21, 27.39, 29.15, 32.90, 34.99, 125.65, 126.46, 128.51, 130.10, 131.24, 134.78, 146.07, 146.77; HRMS-ESI (m/z): Calculated for

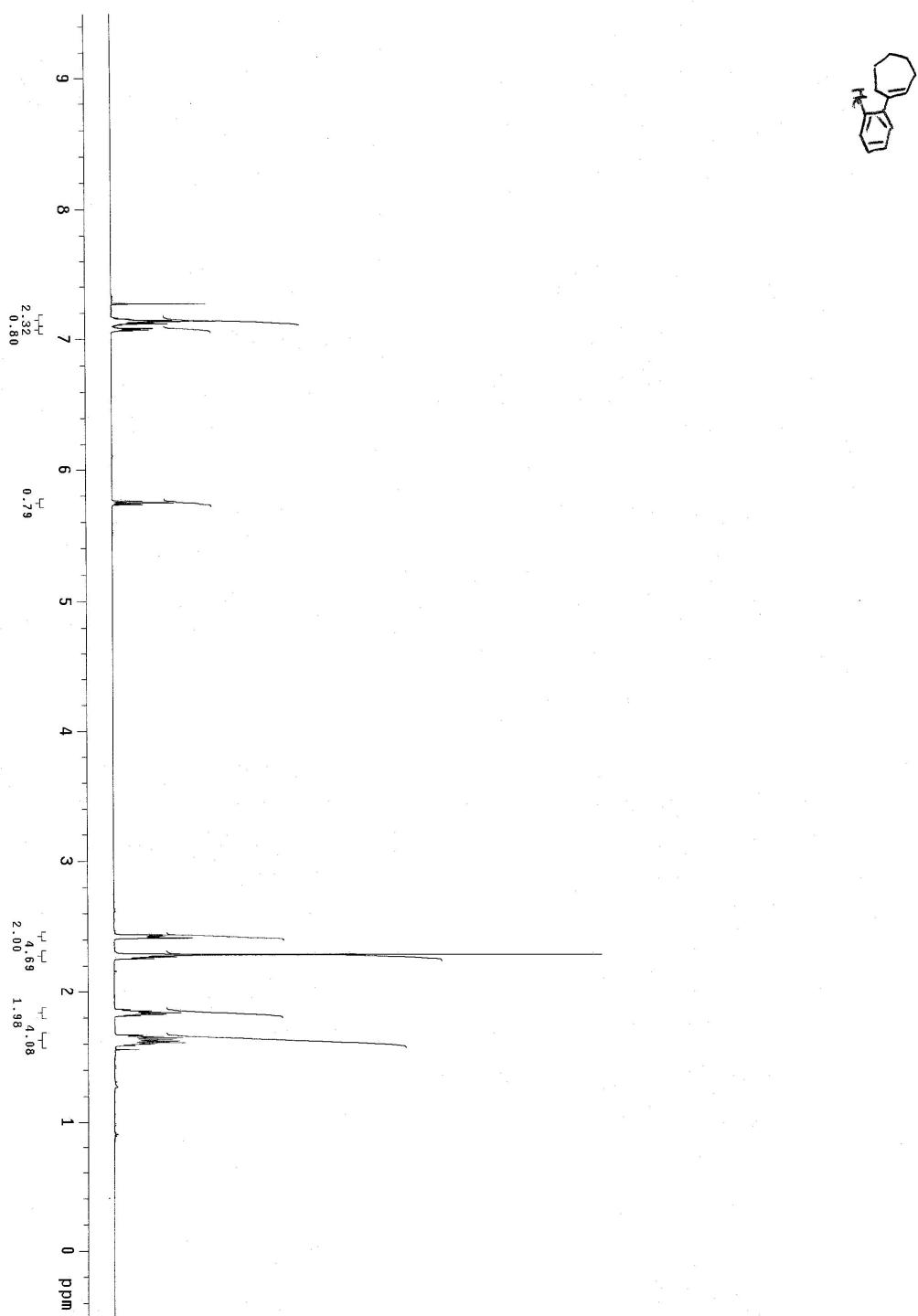
**Figure S1.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **3e**



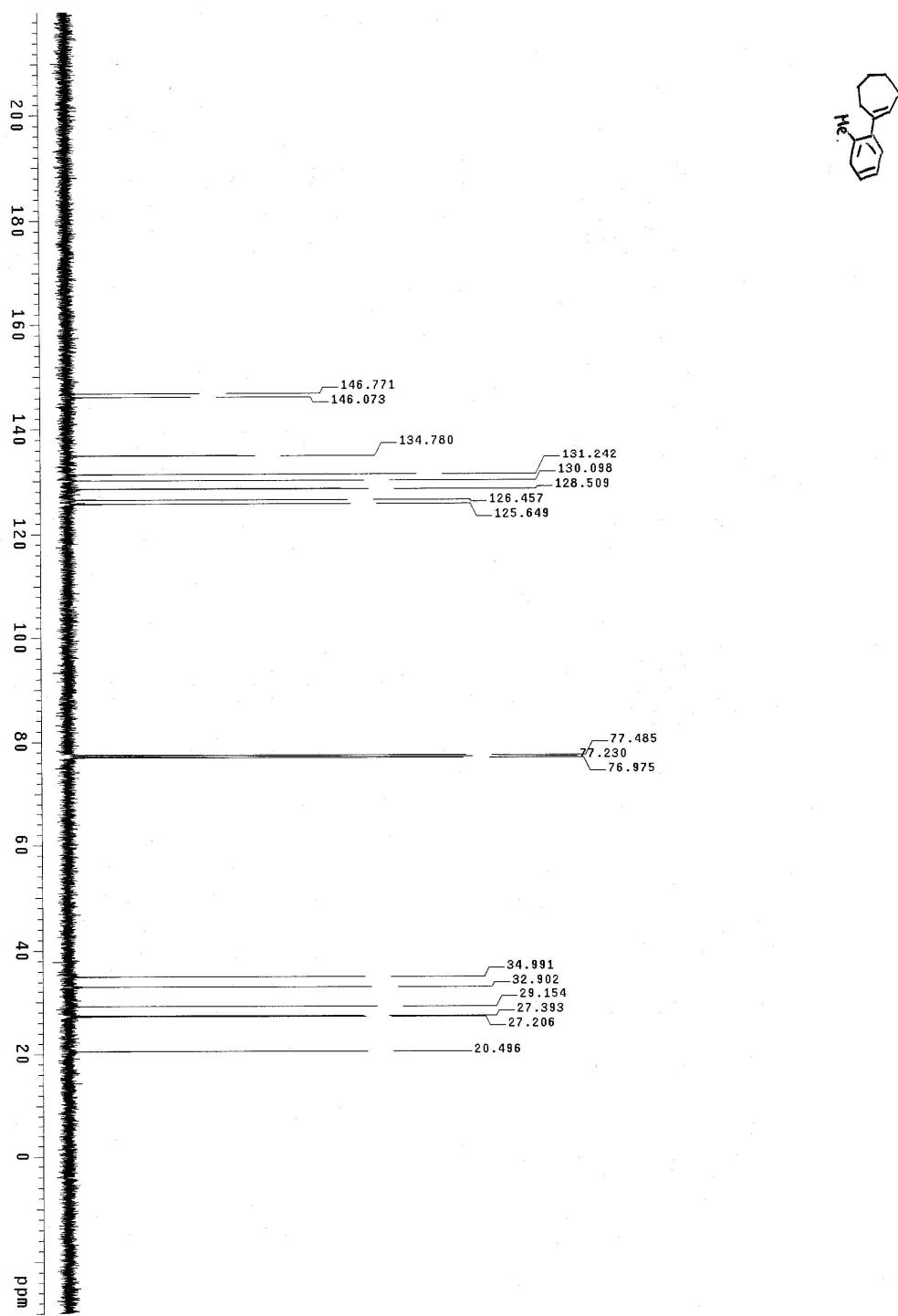
**Figure S2.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **3e**



**Figure S3.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **5d**



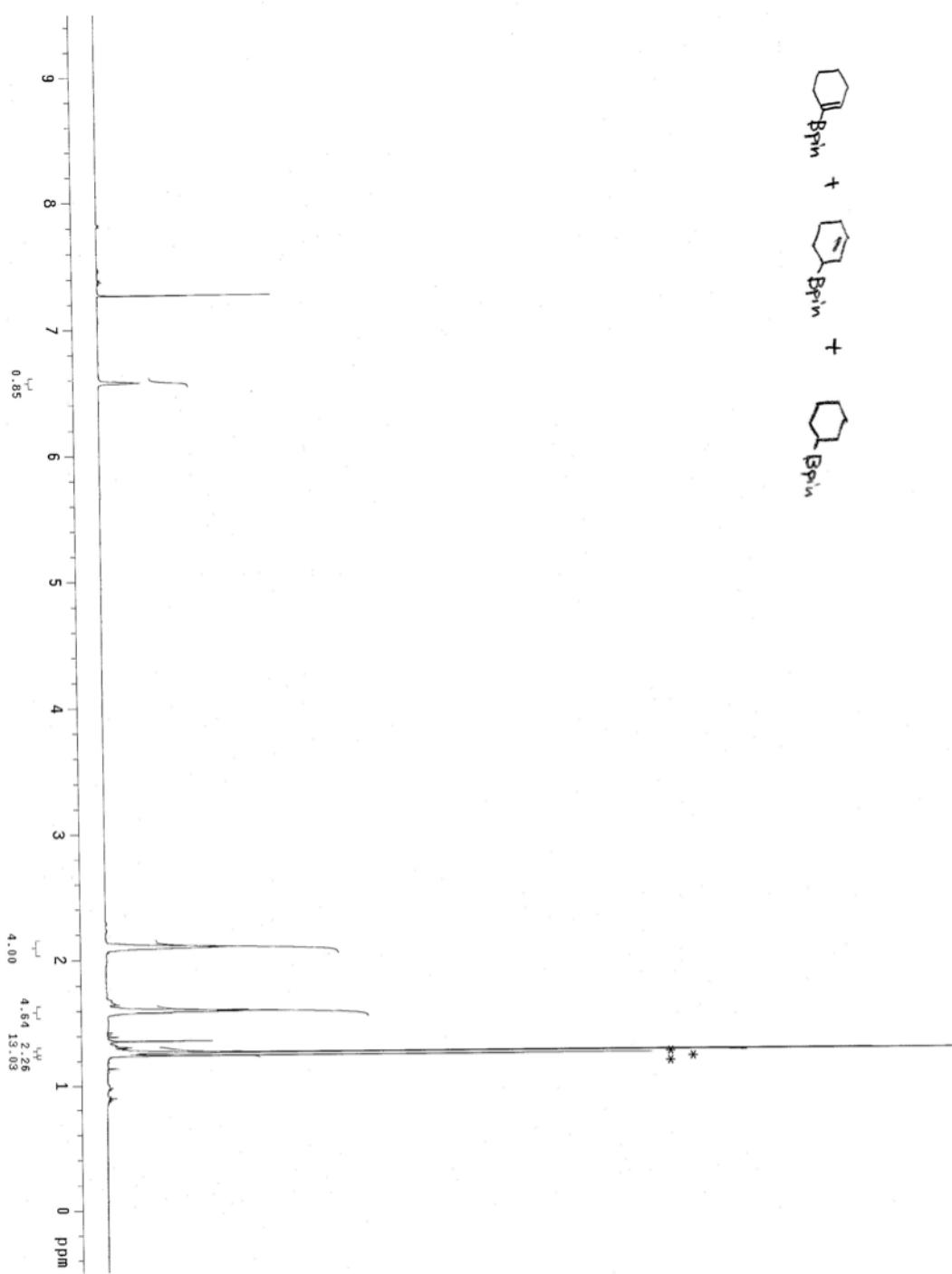
**Figure S4.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of **5d**



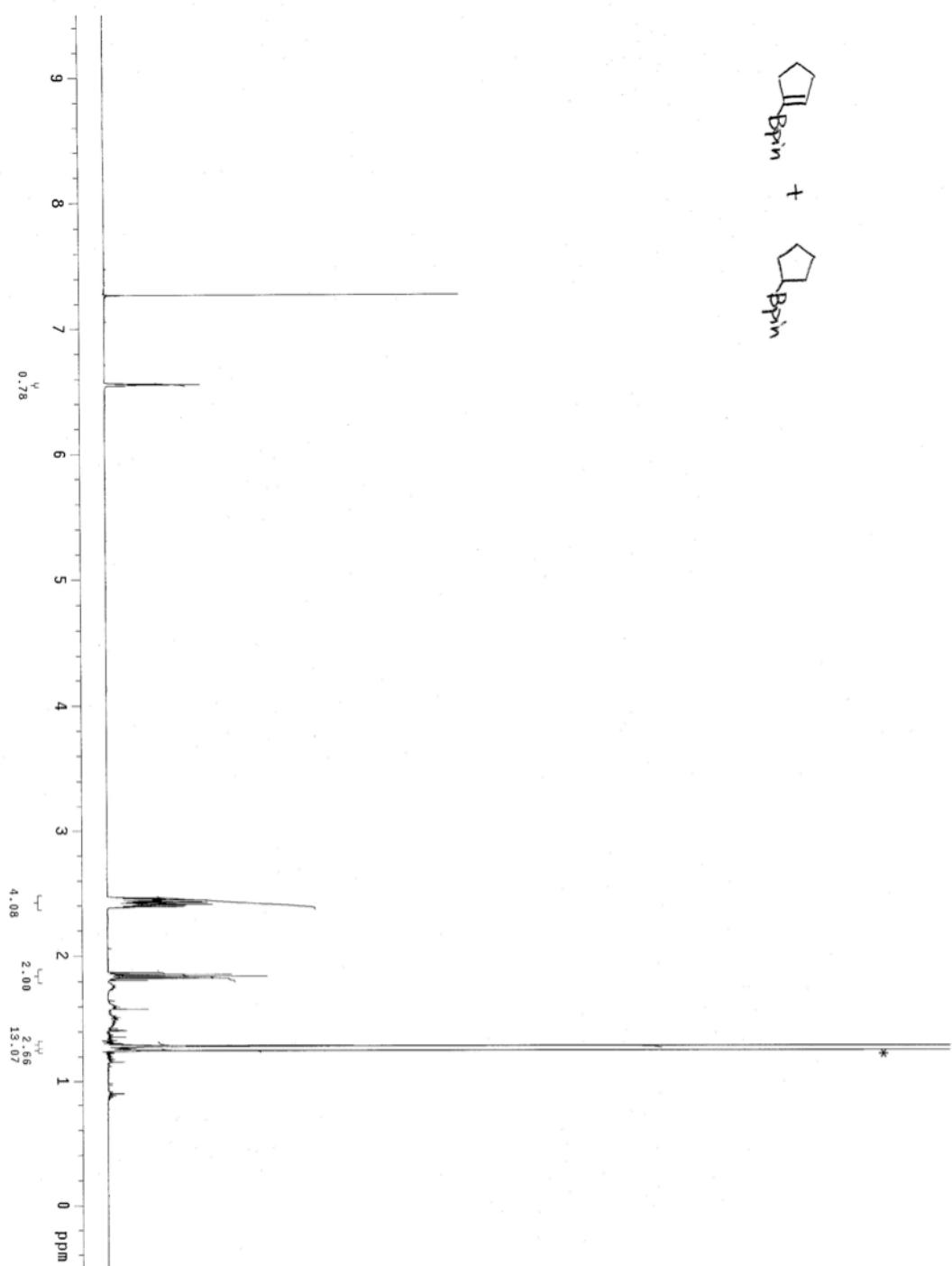
### Spectra of Previously Reported Compounds

Compound **3a** was isolated as an inseparable mixture with hydroboration product **4a** (indicated with an asterisk (\*) in the following spectra) and allylboronate ester **3a'** (indicated with a double asterisk (\*\*\*) in the following spectra). Compounds **3b**, **3c** and **3d** were isolated as inseparable mixtures with hydroboration products **4b**, **4c** and **4d** (indicated with an asterisk (\*) in the following spectra), respectively.

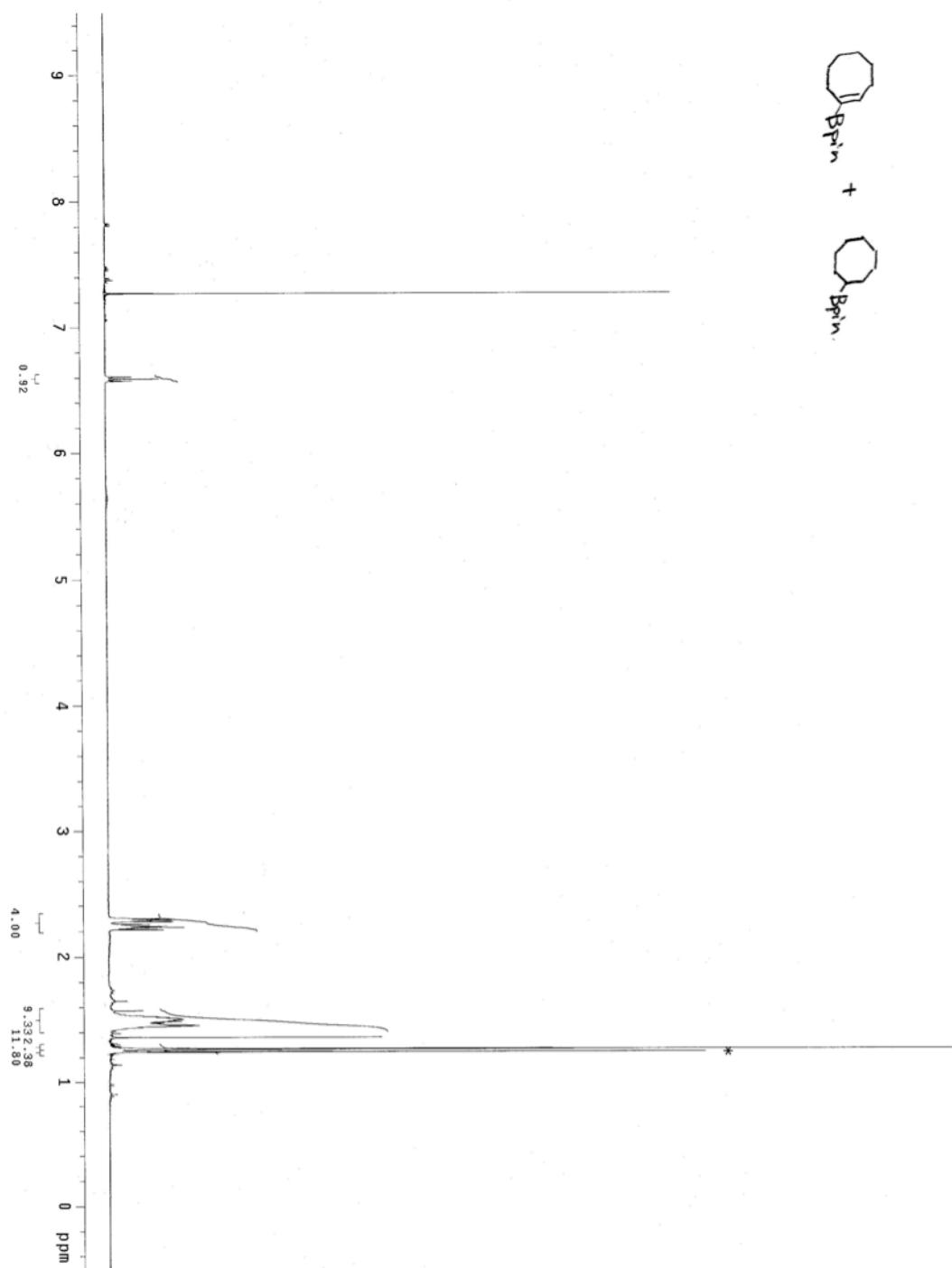
**Figure S5.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **3a**



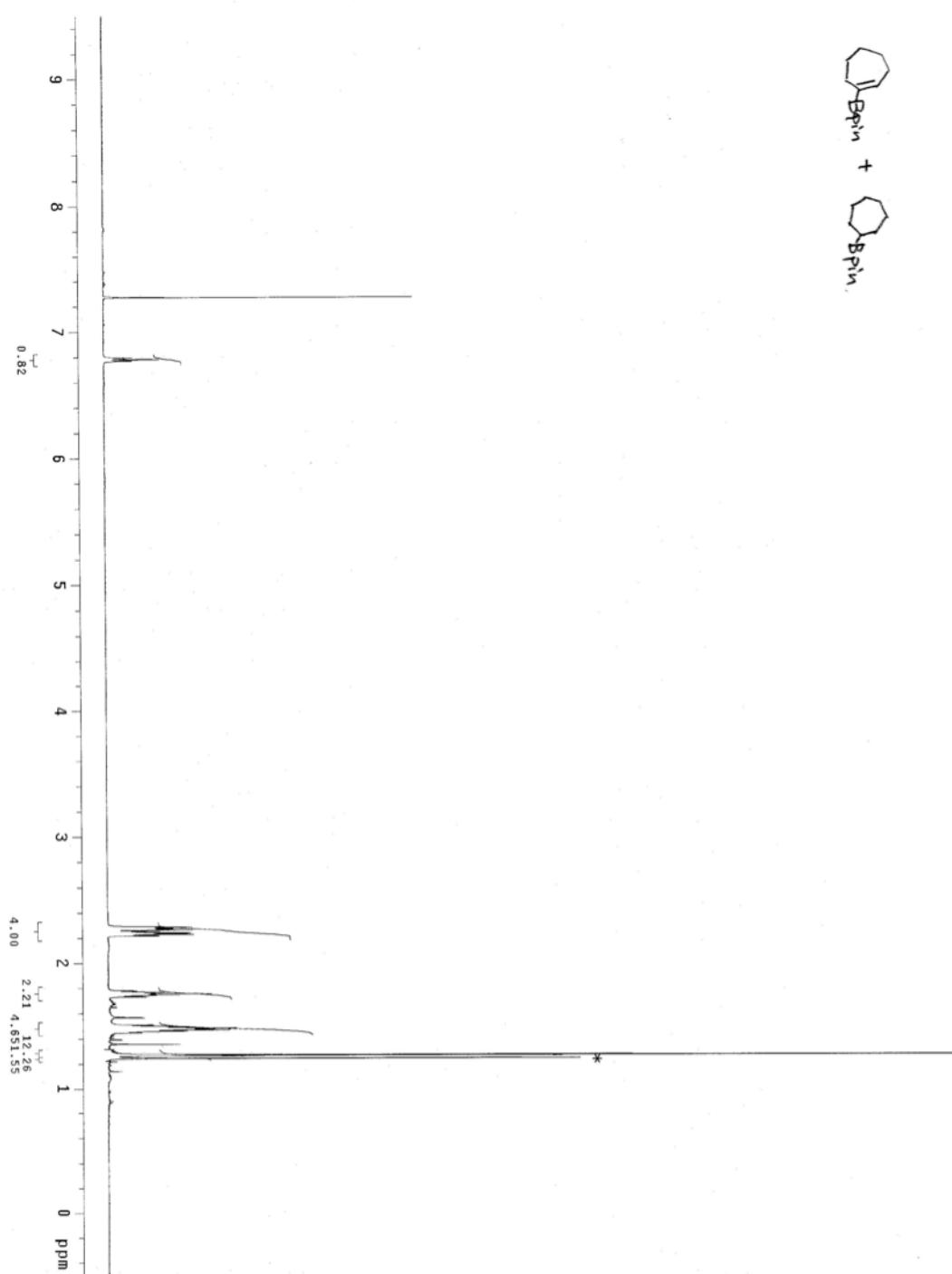
**Figure S6.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **3b**



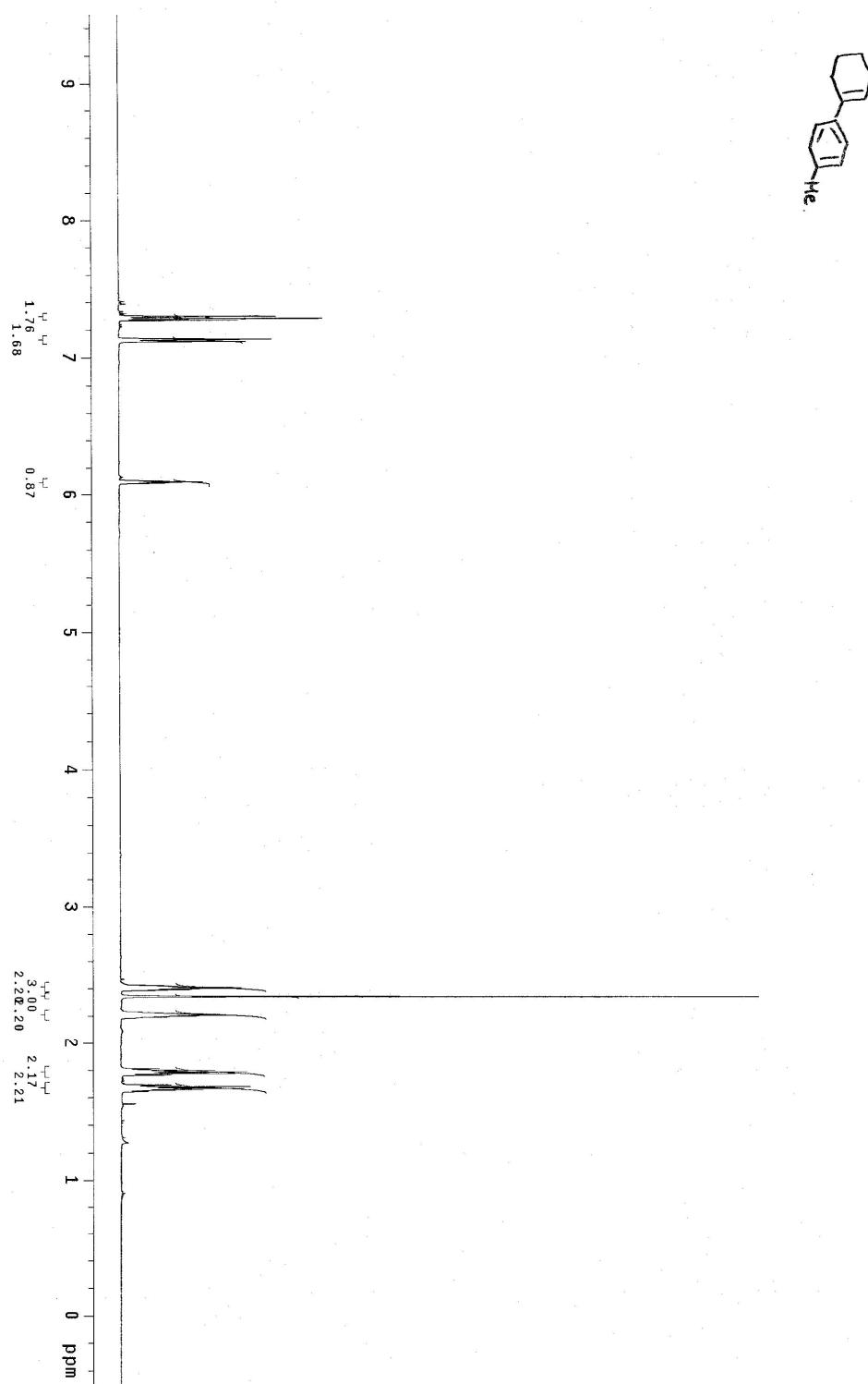
**Figure S7.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **3c**



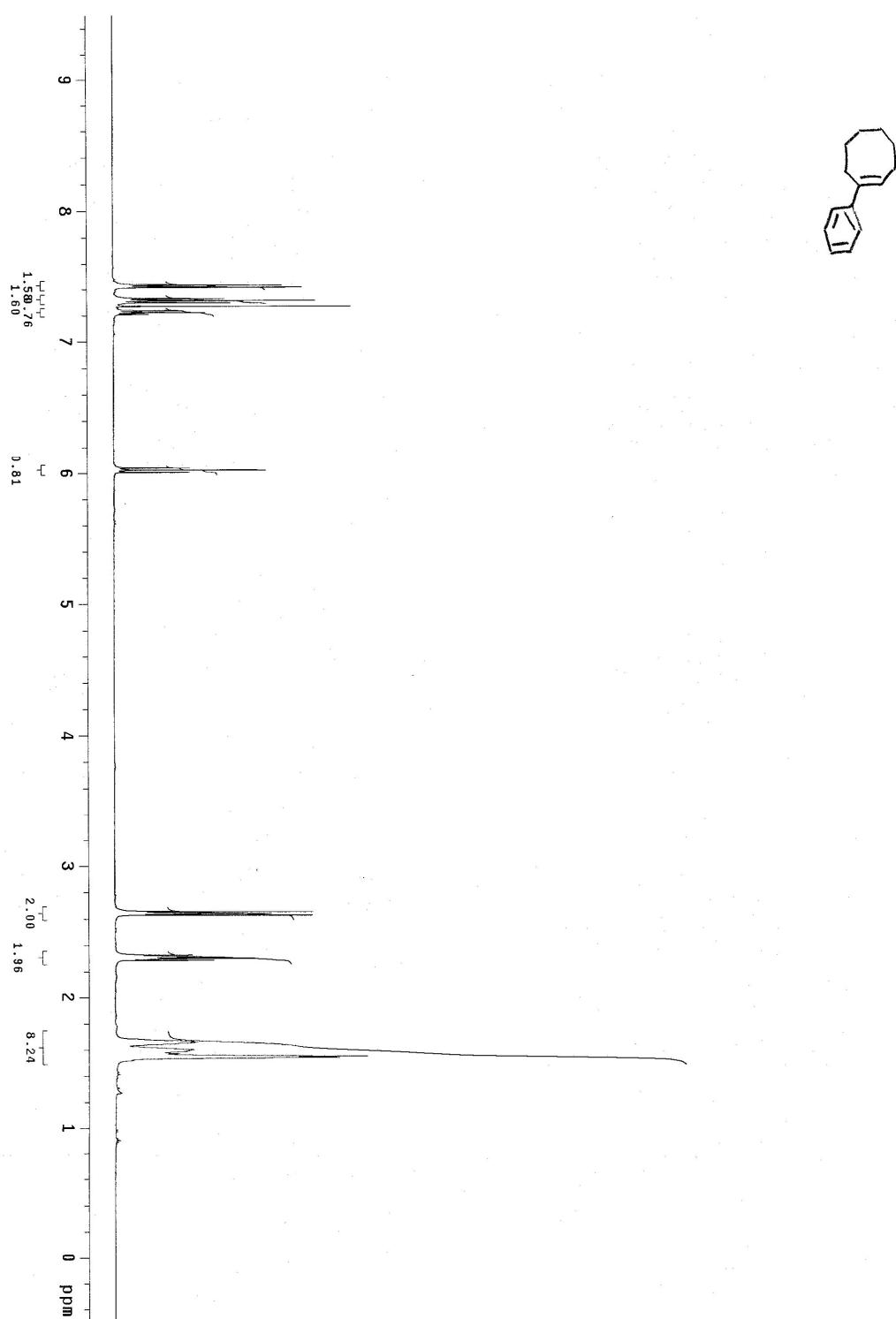
**Figure S8.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **3d**



**Figure S9.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **5a**



**Figure S10.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **5c**



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