

Supporting Information

Glucosamine as a Green Ligand for Copper-Catalyzed Selective Synthesis of Aniline from Aryl Halides and NH₃

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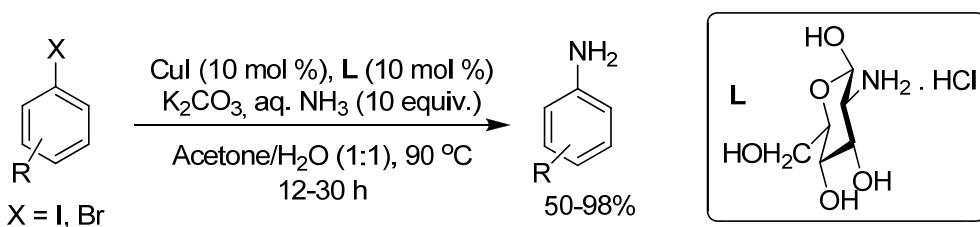
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Experimental Section:

All the reactions were carried out in pressure tube under normal atmospheric air. Commercially available monosaccharide ligands are purchased from Aldrich chemicals. Copper (I) iodide and other copper salts purchased from Alfa Aesar and Aldrich chemicals. Halobenzenes are purchased from Aldrich chemicals, Alfa Aesar, SRL (India) and Awra (India) chemicals. Potassium hydroxide purchased from Ranbaxy (India). Acetone was purchased from SRL india and all these reagents were used without further purification. Reaction temperatures were controlled by Varivolt temperature modulator, melting points were determined using a Guna 230 volts apparatus. Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using Merck silica gel 60 F254 precoated plates (0.25 mm) and visualized by UV fluorescence lamp. Silica gel (particle size 100-200 mesh) purchased from SRL India, was used for chromatography. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker 400 MHz instrument. Spectra were reported relative to Me₄Si (δ 0.0 ppm) or residual peak (δ 7.26 ppm). ^{13}C NMR were reported relative to CDCl₃ (δ 77.16 ppm). FTIR spectra were recorded on a Nicolet 6700 spectrometer and are reported in frequency of absorption (cm⁻¹). High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on Q-Tof Micro mass spectrometer and GCMS.

General Procedure for Aniline Formation from Aryl Halides (0.5 mmol scale) Provided in Table 3.



2 mL of Acetone/H₂O (1:1) mixture has taken in 15 mL reaction tube. Aryl halide (0.5 mmol), CuI (9.5 mg, .05 mmol), D-glucosamine hydrchloride (10.8 mg, 0.05 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (1 mmol, 138 mg) were then transferred to the tube. After 10 minutes of stirring at 90 °C, 300 μ L of aqueous ammonia (28% W/V) was added and the stirring continued at 90 °C. The reaction was monitored using thin layer chromatographic technique. After complete disappearance of aryl halide, the solvent was evaporated and further purification has done by column chromatography on neutral alumina using ethyl acetate/hexanes as the eluent to afford the aniline.

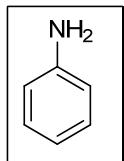
Table 1 Optimization of solvent systems, bases and temperature.

Entry	CuI/L5 (mol %)	Solvent/H ₂ O (1:1)	Base	Temp. (°C)	D-glucosamine L5 , CuI, base (2 equiv.)	
					organic solvent/H ₂ O (1:1)	aq. NH ₃ (10 equiv.), 24 h
1	5:5	Acetone	K ₂ CO ₃	90	57	
2	5:10	Acetone	K ₂ CO ₃	90	72	
3	10:10	Acetone	K₂CO₃	90	90/20^b	
4	10:20	Acetone	K ₂ CO ₃	90	75	
5	20:20	Acetone	K ₂ CO ₃	90	49	
6	10:10	THF	K ₂ CO ₃	90	12	
7	10:10	Dioxane	K ₂ CO ₃	90	62	
8	10:10	Acetonitrile	K ₂ CO ₃	90	57	
9	10:10	DMF	K ₂ CO ₃	90	69	
10	10:10	Acetone	Cs ₂ CO ₃	90	73	
11	10:10	Acetone	K ₃ PO ₄	90	61	
12	10:10	Acetone	NaOAc	90	35	
13	10:10	Acetone	Na ₂ CO ₃	90	36	
14	10:10	Acetone	KOH	90	36	
15	10:10	Acetone	NaOH	90	32	
16	10:10	Acetone	NaOMe	90	42	
17	10:10	Acetone	K ₂ CO ₃	60	41 ^c	
18	10:10	Acetone	K ₂ CO ₃	80	62 ^c	
19	10:10	H ₂ O	K ₂ CO ₃	90	9	
20	10:10	H ₂ O	K ₂ CO ₃	90	20 ^d	

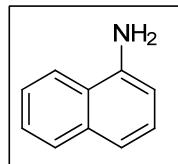
^aIsolated yield. ^bReaction performed without base. ^cReaction time was 48

hours. ^dReaction was performed in water in the presence of 0.5 equiv. of *n*-Bu₄NBr.

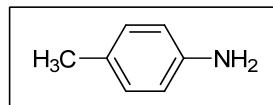
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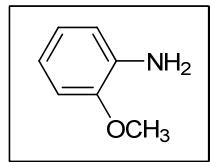
Aniline (Table 2, entry 21) colorless liquid; R_f = 0.55 (in 20% EtOAc/Hexane); IR 1276, 1496, 1610, 3034, 3217, 3356 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.66 (s, 2H), 6.71(d, J = 8.0Hz, 2H), 6.80 (t, J = 7.6Hz, 1H), 7.19 (t, J = 8.0Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 115.2, 118.6, 129.3, 146.4; GC-MS EI+ : m/z calculated for C₆H₇N: 93.



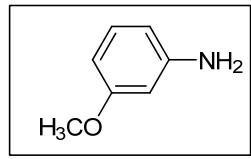
1-Aminonaphthalene (Table 2, entry 11) colorless liquid; $R_f = 0.34$ (in 10% EtOAc/Hexane); IR 1288, 1372, 1403, 1456, 1515, 1585, 1627, 2924, 3364 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 4.13 (s, 2H), 6.77 (d, $J = 6.8\text{Hz}$, 1H), 7.30 (t, $J = 8.8\text{Hz}$, 2H), 7.45 (d, $J = 8.0\text{Hz}$, 2H), 7.80 (dd, $J = 8.8\text{Hz}, 5.6\text{Hz}$, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 109.8, 119.1, 120.9, 123.8, 125.0, 126.0, 126.4, 128.7, 134.5, 142.2; HRMS [M $^+$ +1] Calculated for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{10}\text{N}$: 144.0813; found: 144.0819



4-Aminotoluene (Table 2, entry 16) colorless liquid; $R_f = 0.36$ (in 10% EtOAc/Hexane); IR 1120, 1267, 1448, 1519, 1627, 2924, 3021, 3217, 3364 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 2.26 (s, 3H), 6.63 (t, $J = 6.4\text{Hz}$, 2H), 7.00 (t, $J = 8.0\text{Hz}$, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 20.5, 115.3, 127.8, 129.8, 143.9; HRMS [M $^+$ +1] Calculated for $\text{C}_7\text{H}_{10}\text{N}$: 108.0813; found: 108.0812

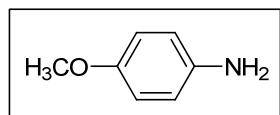


2-methoxyaniline (Table 3, entries 5 & 20) deep brown liquid (eluent: ethyl acetate/hexane = 30:70). $R_f = 0.73$ (in 30% EtOAc/Hexane); IR 1039, 1160, 1206, 1295, 1465, 1492, 1602, 2927, 3370, 3462 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 3.79 (s, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 6.68-6.77 (m, 2H), 6.77-6.85 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 55.6, 110.6, 115.2, 118.6, 121.2, 136.3, 147.5; HRMS [M $^+$ +1] Calculated for $\text{C}_7\text{H}_{10}\text{NO}$: 124.0762; found: 124.0758

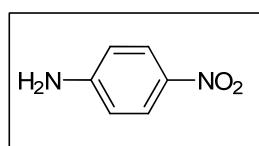


3-methoxyaniline (Table 3, entries 6 & 7) dark brown liquid; $R_f = 0.54$ (in 30% EtOAc/Hexane); IR 1037, 1224, 1272, 1461, 1507, 2926, 3370, 3458 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 3.66 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 6.18 (t, $J = 2.0\text{ Hz}$, 1H), 6.23 (dd, $J = 8\text{ Hz}, 1.6\text{ Hz}$, 1H), 6.29 (dd, $J = 8\text{ Hz}, 2.0\text{ Hz}$, 1H), 7.02 (t, $J = 8\text{ Hz}$, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz,

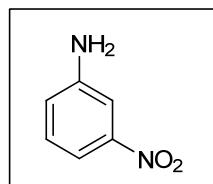
CDCl₃) δ 55.0, 101.0, 103.8, 107.9, 130.1, 148.0, 160.7; HRMS [M⁺+1] Calculated for C₇H₁₀NO: 124.0762; found: 124.0760



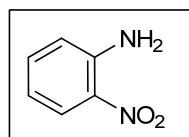
4-methoxyaniline (Table 3, entries 3 & 4) black solid; MP 56-59 °C.
 R_f = 0.43 (in 30% EtOAc/Hexane); IR 1030, 1125, 1233, 1459, 1507, 1629, 1858, 2054, 2960, 3344, 3420 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.43 (s, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 6.62-6.68 (m, 2H), 6.75 (dd, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2.4 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 55.8, 114.9, 116.5, 140.1, 152.9; HRMS [M⁺+1] Calculated for C₇H₁₀NO: 124.0762; found: 124.0768



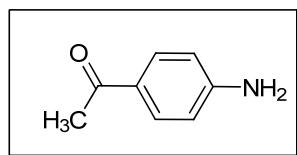
4-nitroaniline (Table 3, entries 8 & 9) yellow solid; MP 146-149 °C. R_f = 0.31 (in 30% EtOAc/Hexane); IR 1110, 1300, 1474, 1595, 1630, 2361, 3360, 3479 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 4.40 (s, 2H), 6.59-6.65 (m, 2H), 7.94-8.01 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 113.6, 127.3, 138.3, 156.8; HRMS [M⁺+1] Calculated for C₆H₇N₂O₂: 139.0508; found: 139.0506



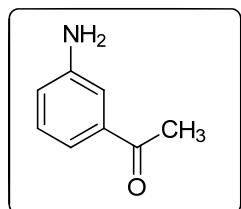
3-nitroaniline (Table 3, entry 10) yellow solid; MP 111-114 °C; R_f = 0.21 (in 10% EtOAc/Hexane); IR 1085, 1266, 1342, 1483, 1520, 1619, 3328, 3431 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.04 (s, 2H), 6.78-7.10 (m, 1H), 7.10-7.73 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 109.1, 113.1, 120.7, 130.0, 147.6, 149.3; HRMS [M⁺+1] Calculated for C₆H₇N₂O₂: 139.0508; found: 139.0504



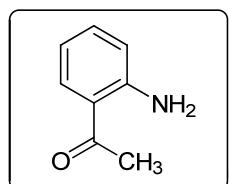
2-Nitroaniline (Table 2, entry 19) yellow solid; MP 70-73 °C; R_f = 0.33 (in 10% EtOAc/Hexane); IR 1099, 1250, 1347, 1428, 1501, 1585, 1627, 3354, 3479 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.10 (s, 2H), 6.70 (dt, *J* = 8.0Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (dd, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (dt, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1.2 Hz), 8.11 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 117.0, 118.9, 126.2, 132.3, 135.8, 144.8; GC-MS EI+ : m/z calculated for C₇H₇N₃O: 138.



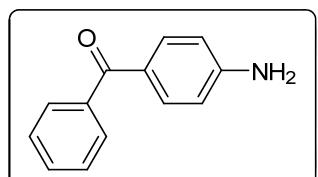
4-aminoacetophenone (Table 3, entry 1 & 2) white solid; MP 103-107 °C R_f = 0.30 (in 30% EtOAc/Hexane); IR 1169, 1276, 1360, 1435, 1589, 1647, 3223, 3329 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.49 (s, 3H), 4.35 (s, 2H), 6.60-6.67 (m, 2H), 7.76-7.82 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 26.1, 113.7, 127.5, 130.8, 151.5, 196.7; HRMS [M⁺+1] Calculated for C₈H₁₀NO: 136.0762; found: 136.0759



3-aminoacetophenone (Table 3, entry 18) white solid; MP 94-98 °C; R_f = 0.32 (in 30% EtOAc/Hexane); IR 1017, 1239, 1288, 1323, 1356, 1459, 1490, 1599, 1669, 3370, 3467 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.56 (s, 3H), 3.81 (s, 2H), 6.87 (dd, *J* = 8 Hz, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.17-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 26.8, 114.1, 119.0, 119.8, 129.6, 138.4, 146.9, 198.6; HRMS [M⁺+1] Calculated for C₈H₁₀NO: 136.0762; found: 136.0757

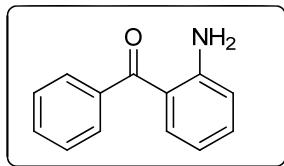


2-aminoacetophenone (Table 3, entry 17) yellow liquid, R_f = 0.56 (in 20% EtOAc/Hexane); IR 1024, 1163, 1245, 1365, 1449, 1484, 1552, 1630, 2835, 2947, 3341, 3440 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.56 (s, 3H), 6.58-6.73 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.32 (m, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 27.9, 115.8, 117.3, 118.3, 132.1, 134.5, 150.3, 200.8; HRMS [M⁺+1] Calculated for C₈H₁₀NO: 136.0762; found: 136.0761



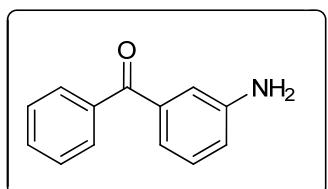
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2835, 2947, 3367 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.19 (s, 2H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.41-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.49-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.68-7.79 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 113.7, 127.4, 128.2, 129.6, 131.5, 133.0, 139.0, 151.1, 195.4; HRMS [M⁺+1] Calculated for C₁₃H₁₂NO: 198.0919; found: 198.0926



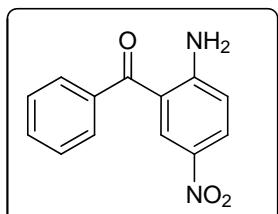
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°C; R_f = 0.57 (in 20% EtOAc/Hexane); IR 1024, 1113, 1247, 1415, 1451, 1551, 1628, 2524, 2834, 2947, 3367 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.10 (s, 2H), 6.60 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.34 (m, 1H), 7.41-7.49 (m, 3H), 7.49-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.61-7.69 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 115.6, 117.1, 118.3, 128.2, 129.2, 131.1, 134.3, 134.7, 140.2, 151.0, 199.2; HRMS [M⁺+1] Calculated for C₁₃H₁₂NO: 198.0919; found: 198.0910



3-aminobenzophenone (Table 3, entry 13) yellow solid, MP 81-

84 °C; R_f = 0.29 (in 20% EtOAc/Hexane); IR 1023, 1112, 1321, 1413, 1452, 1648, 2834, 2950, 3390 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.82 (s, 2H), 6.86-6.93 (m, 1H), 7.10-7.16 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.285 (m, 1H), 7.43-7.51 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.61 (m, 1H), 7.77-7.85 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 116.0, 119.1, 120.7, 128.3, 129.2, 130.1, 132.4, 137.9, 138.8, 146.6, 197.1; HRMS [M⁺+1] Calculated for C₁₃H₁₂NO: 198.0919; found: 198.0916



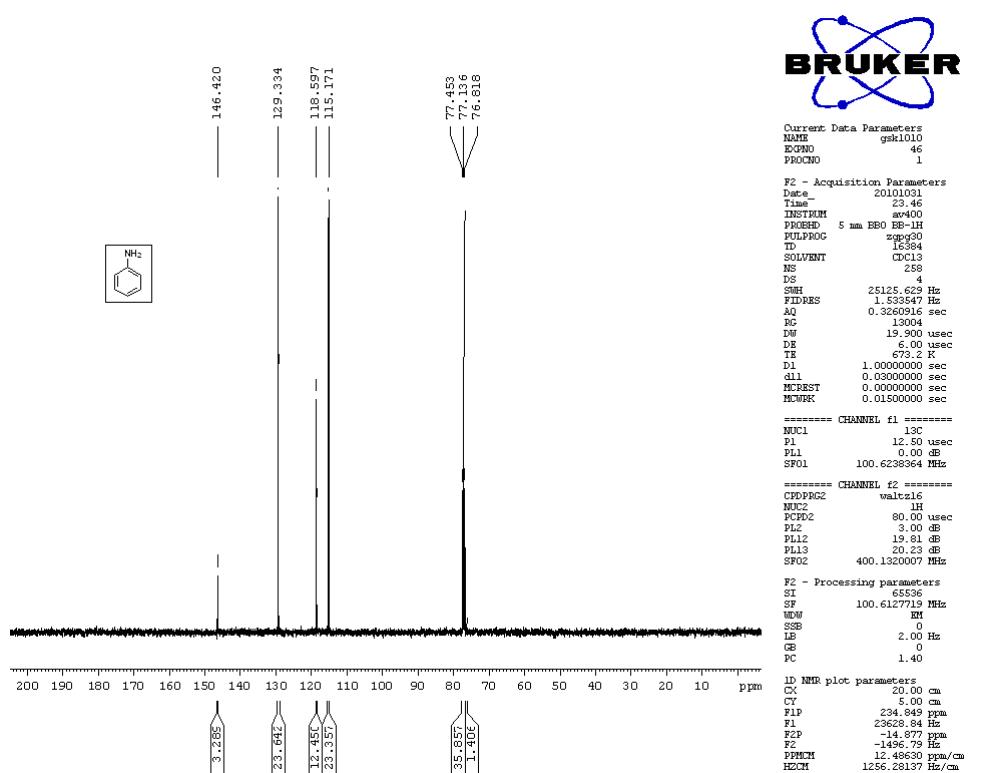
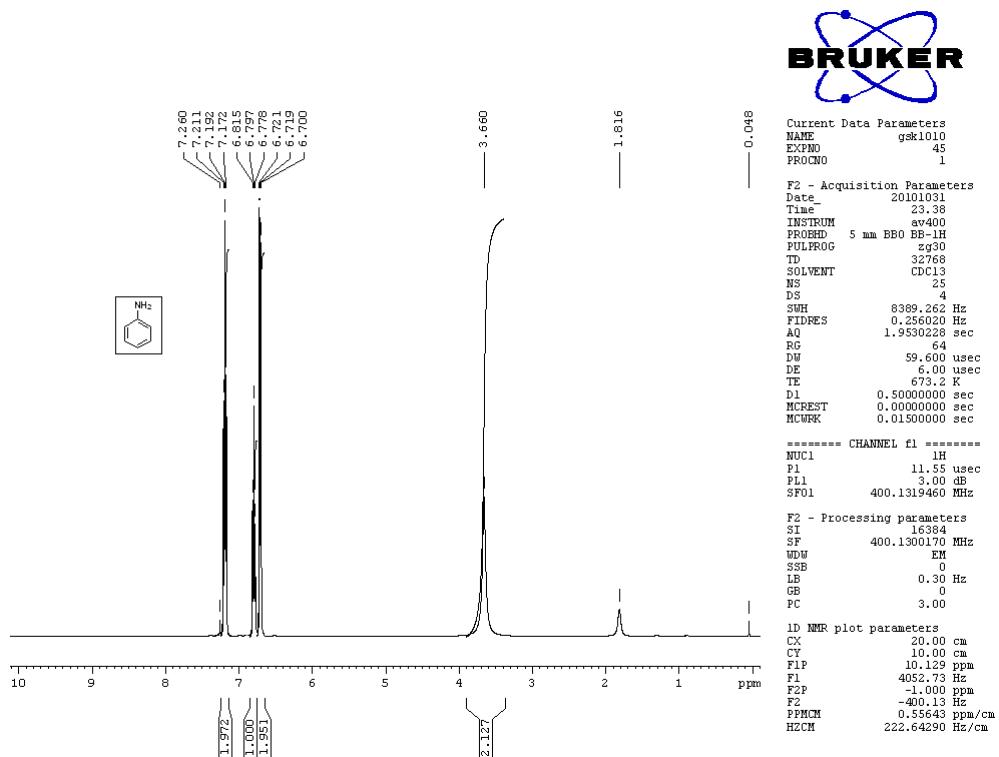
(2-amino-5-nitrophenyl)(phenyl)methanone (Table 3, entry 15)

yellow solid, MP 166-168 °C; R_f = 0.31 (in 20% EtOAc/Hexane); IR 1027, 1112, 1259, 1332, 1416, 1452, 1635, 2524, 2834, 2947, 3372 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.76 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (s, 2H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 8.16 (dd, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 8.48 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 116.1, 116.9, 128.7, 129.2, 129.4, 131.7, 132.3, 136.7, 138.5, 155.4, 198.0; HRMS [M⁺+1] Calculated for C₁₃H₁₁N₂O₃: 243.0770; found: 243.0760

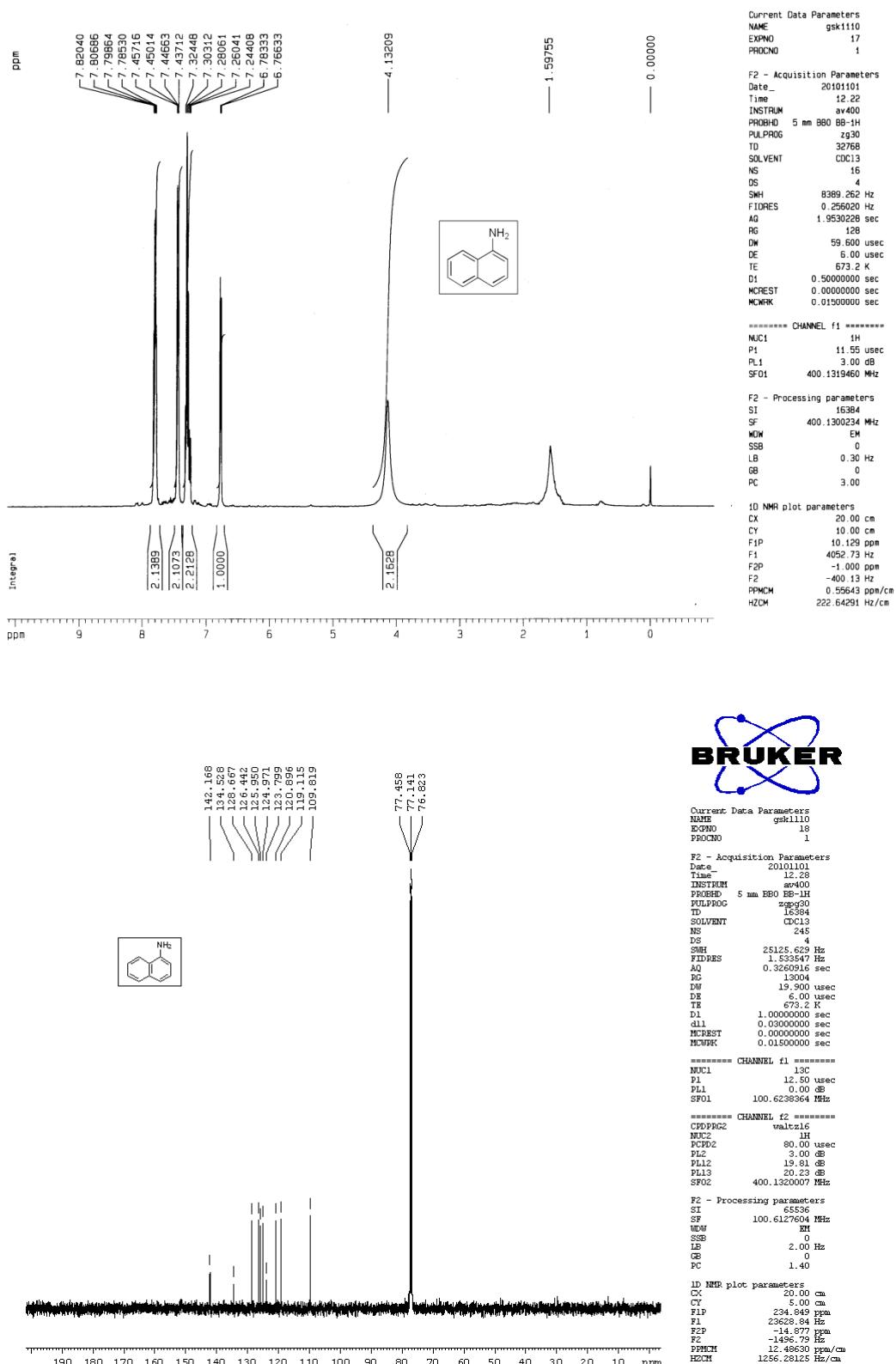
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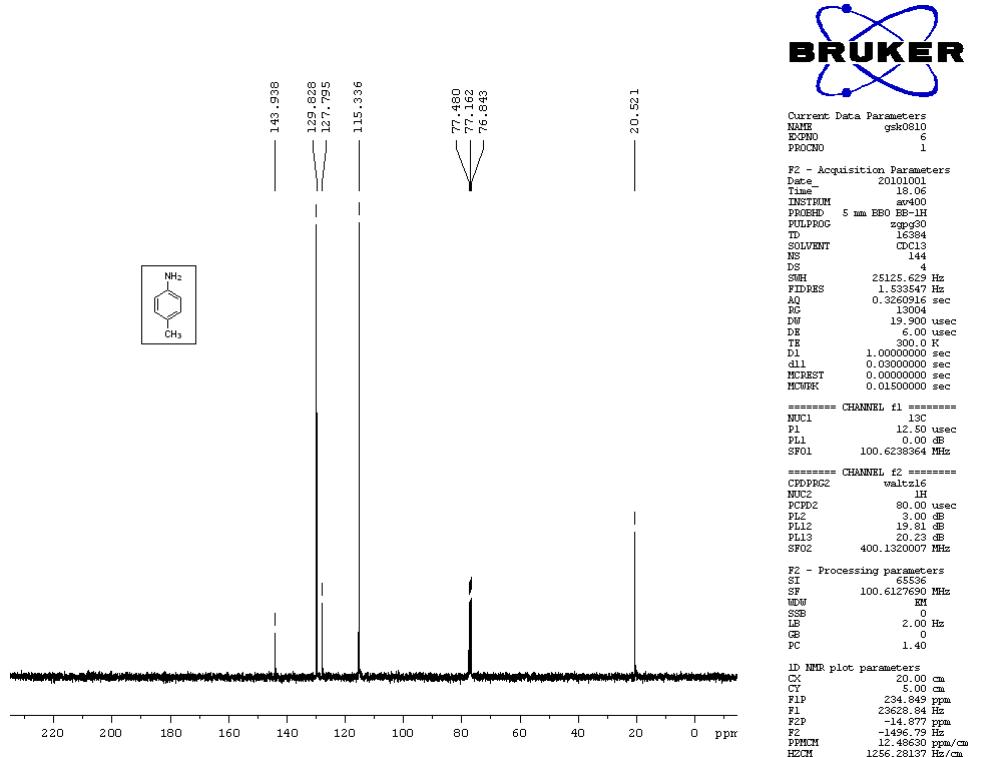
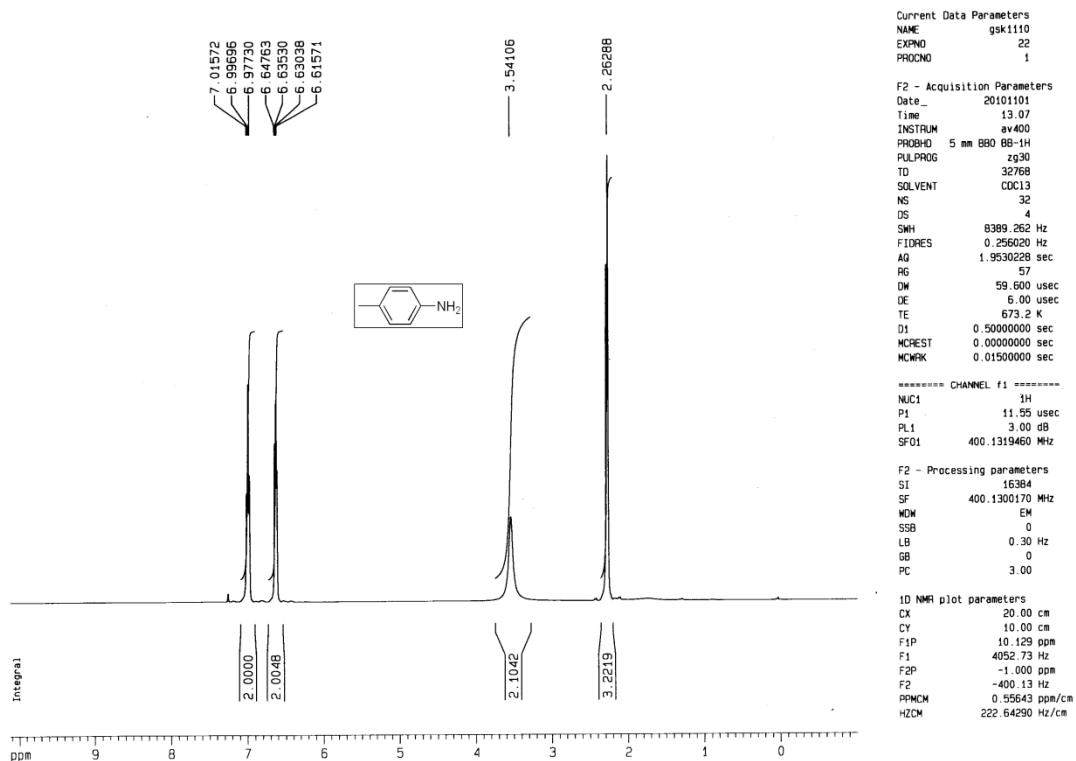
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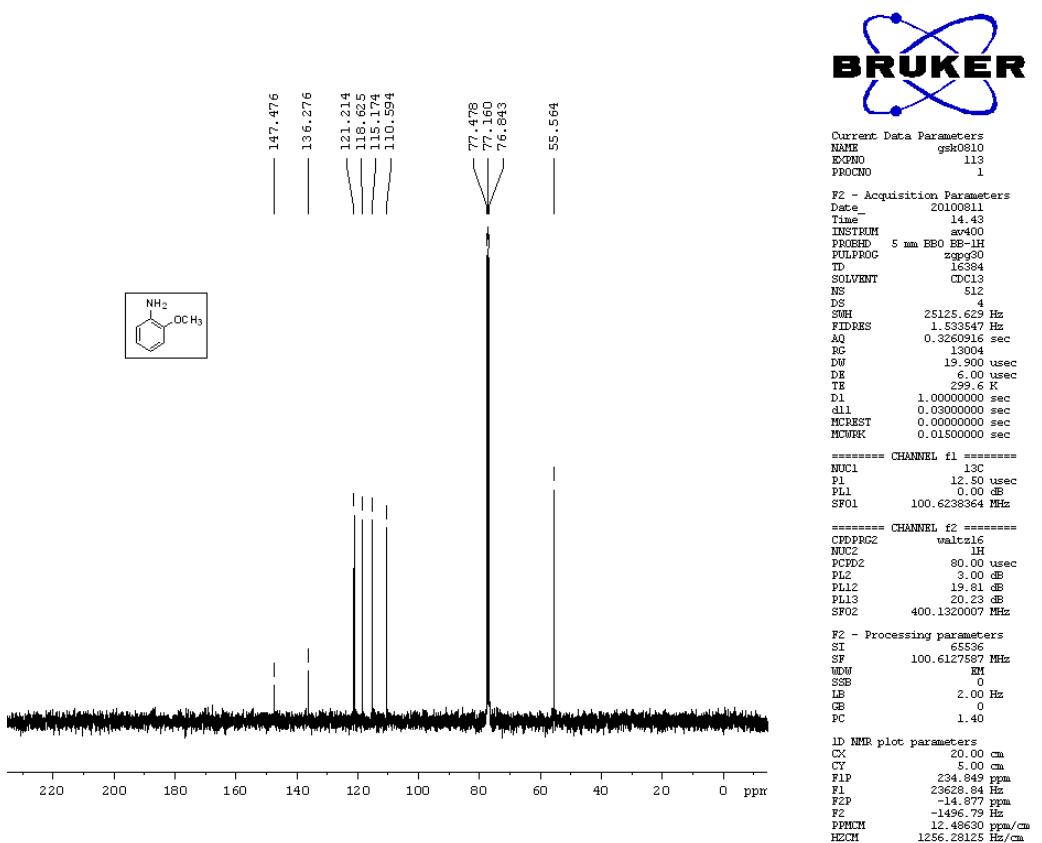
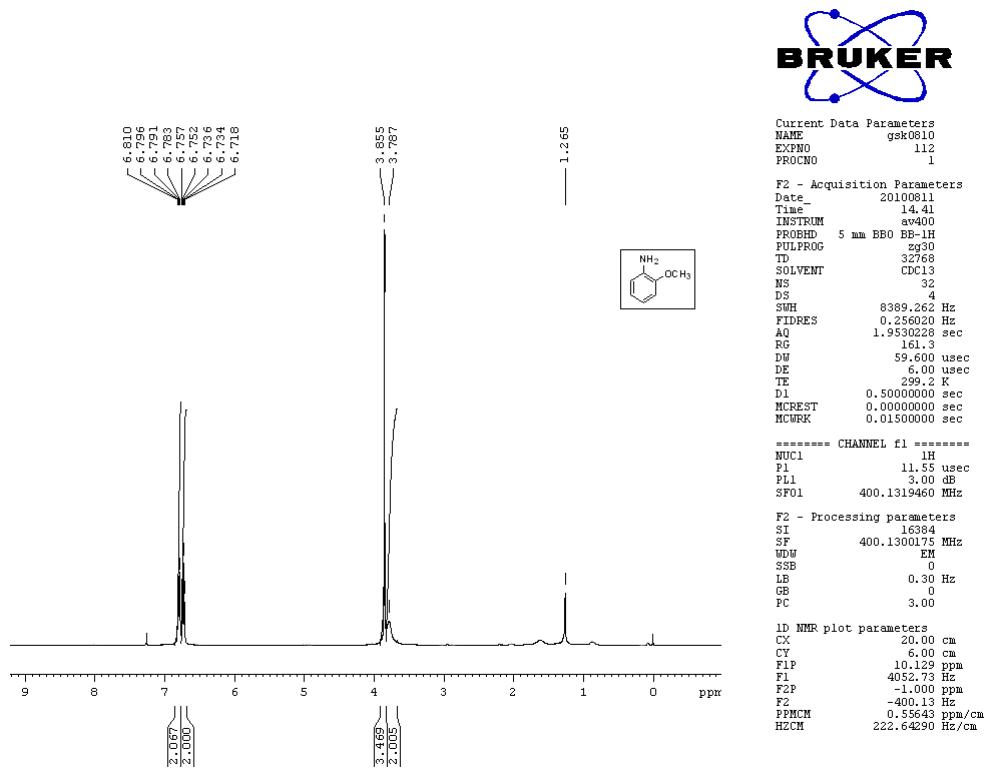
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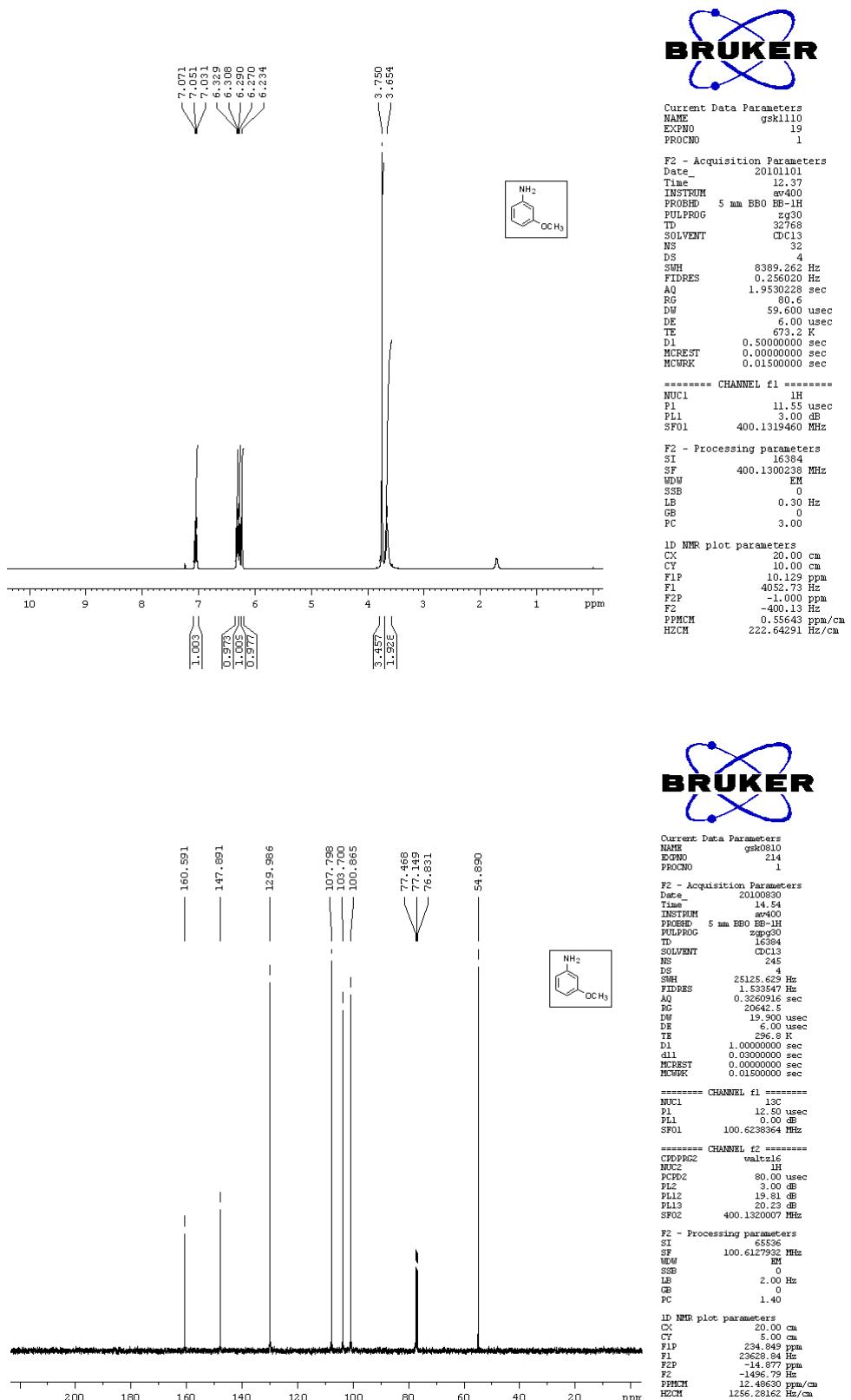
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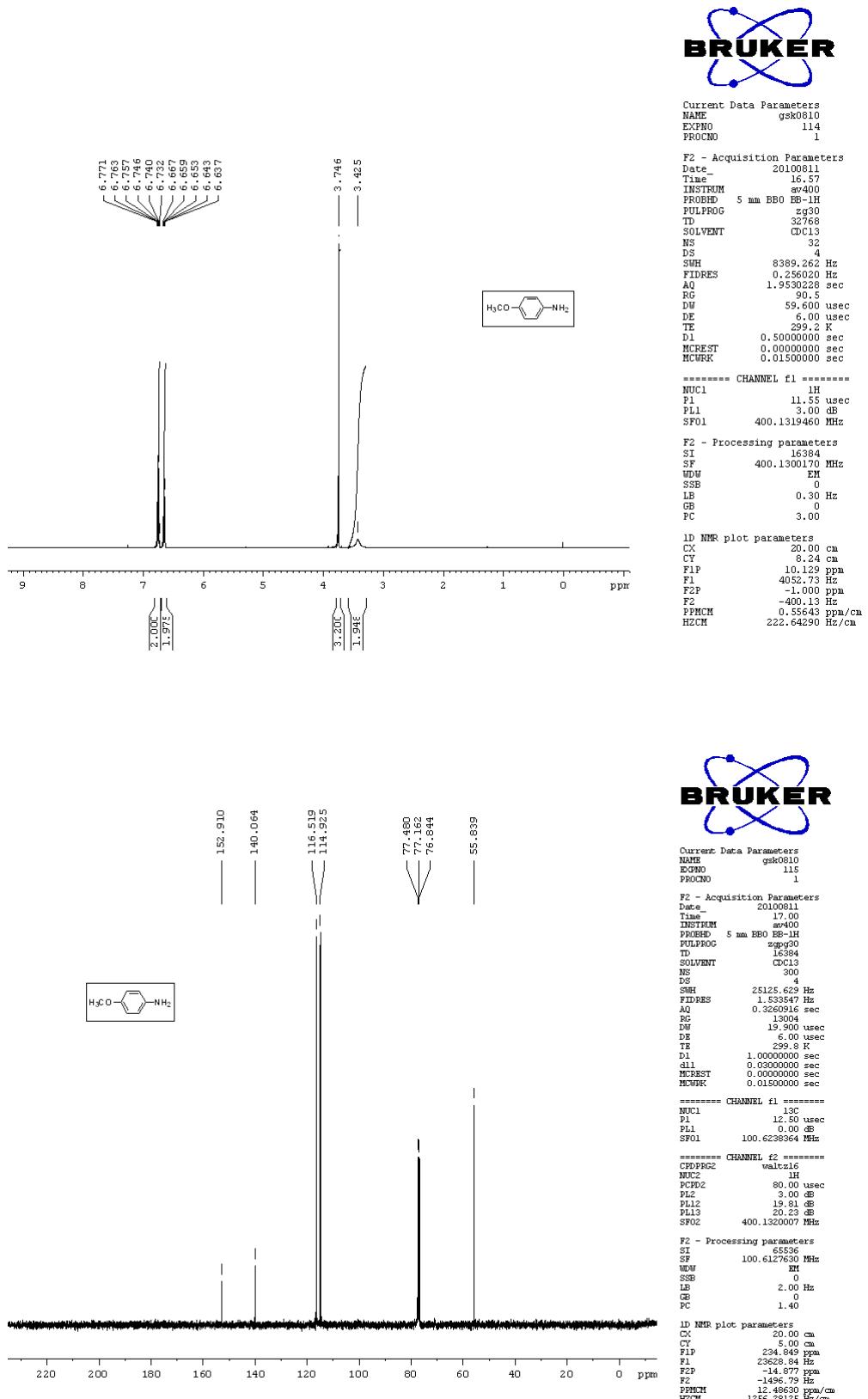
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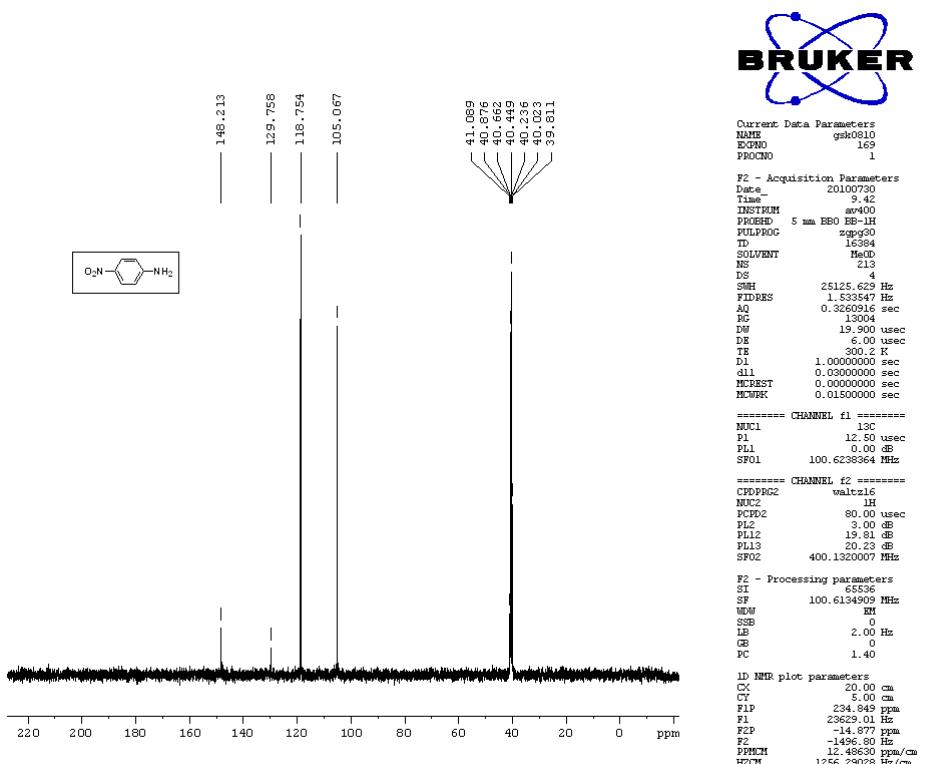
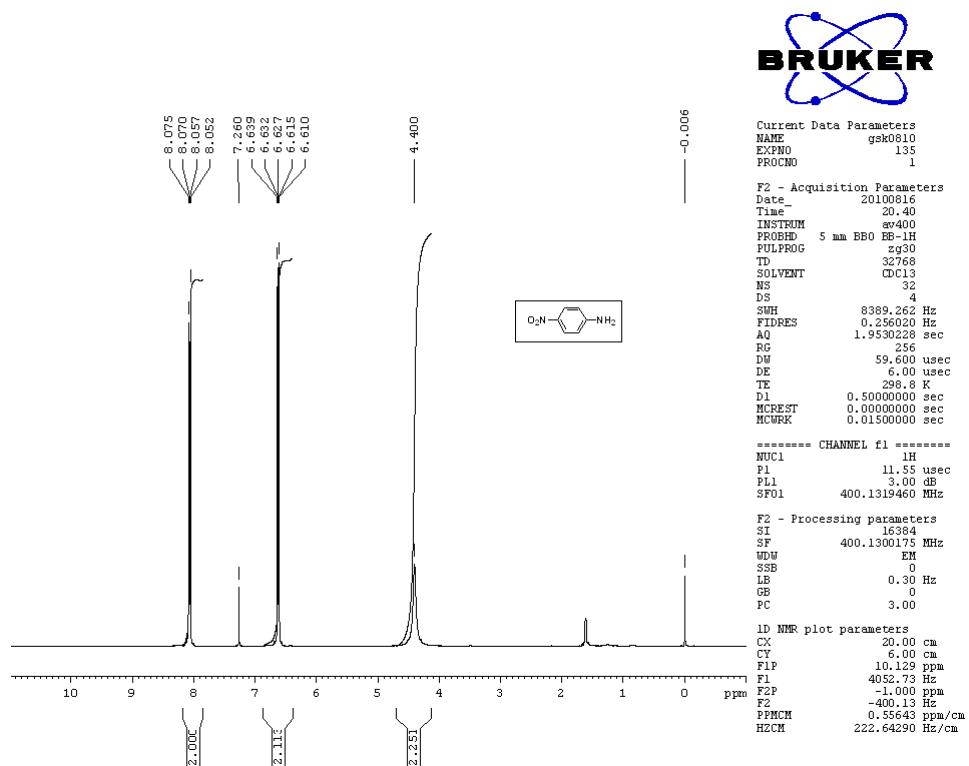
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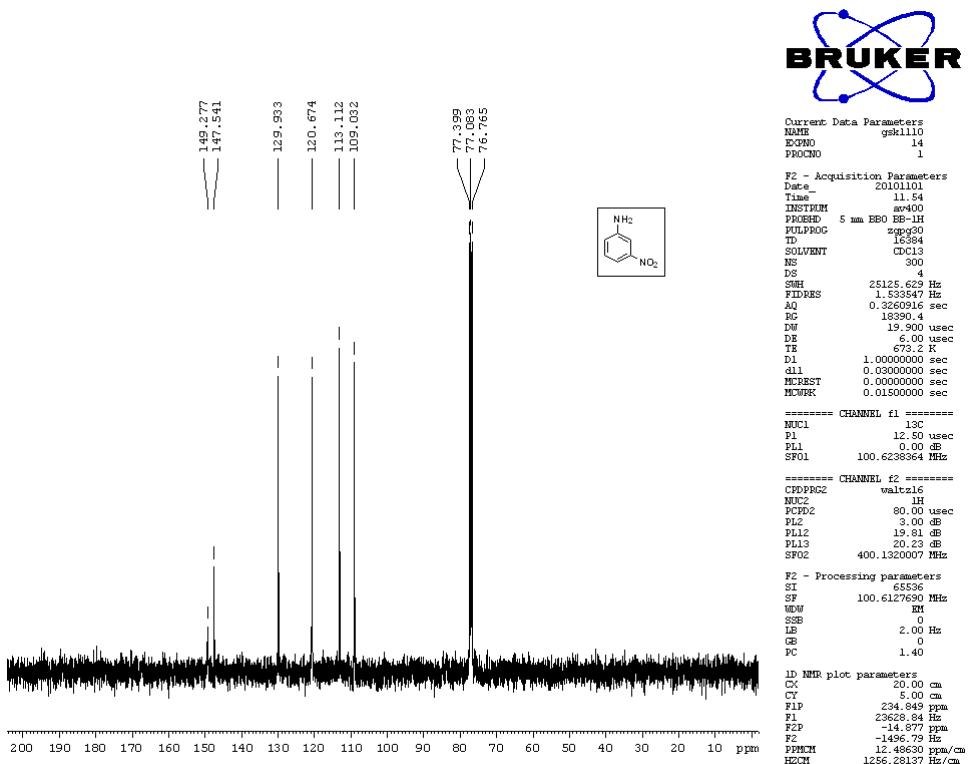
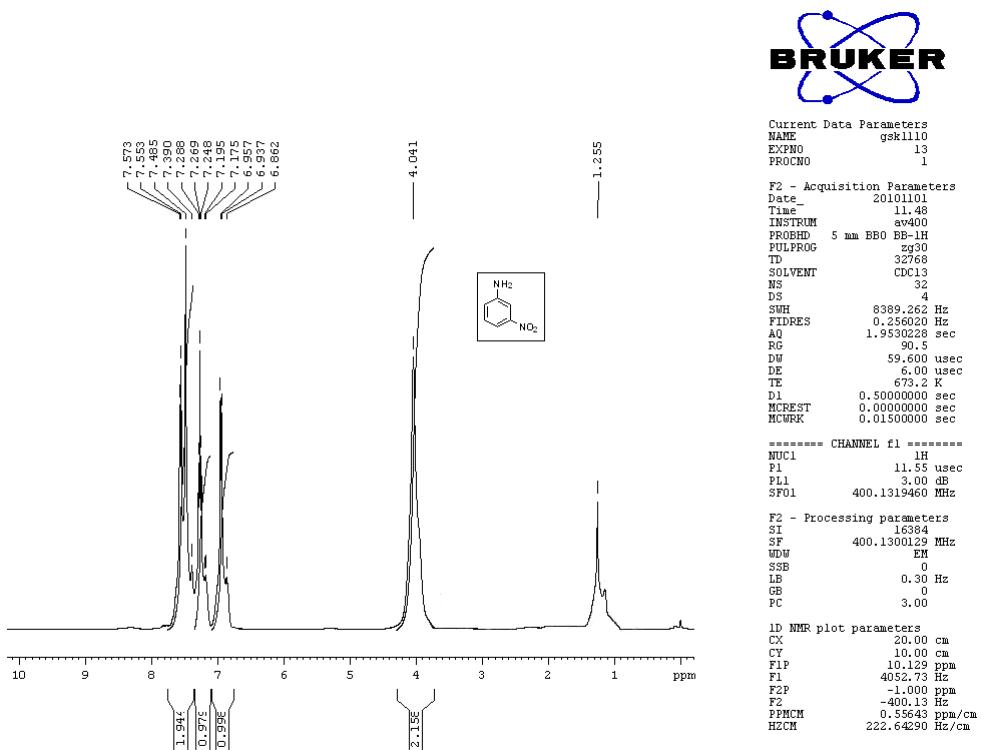
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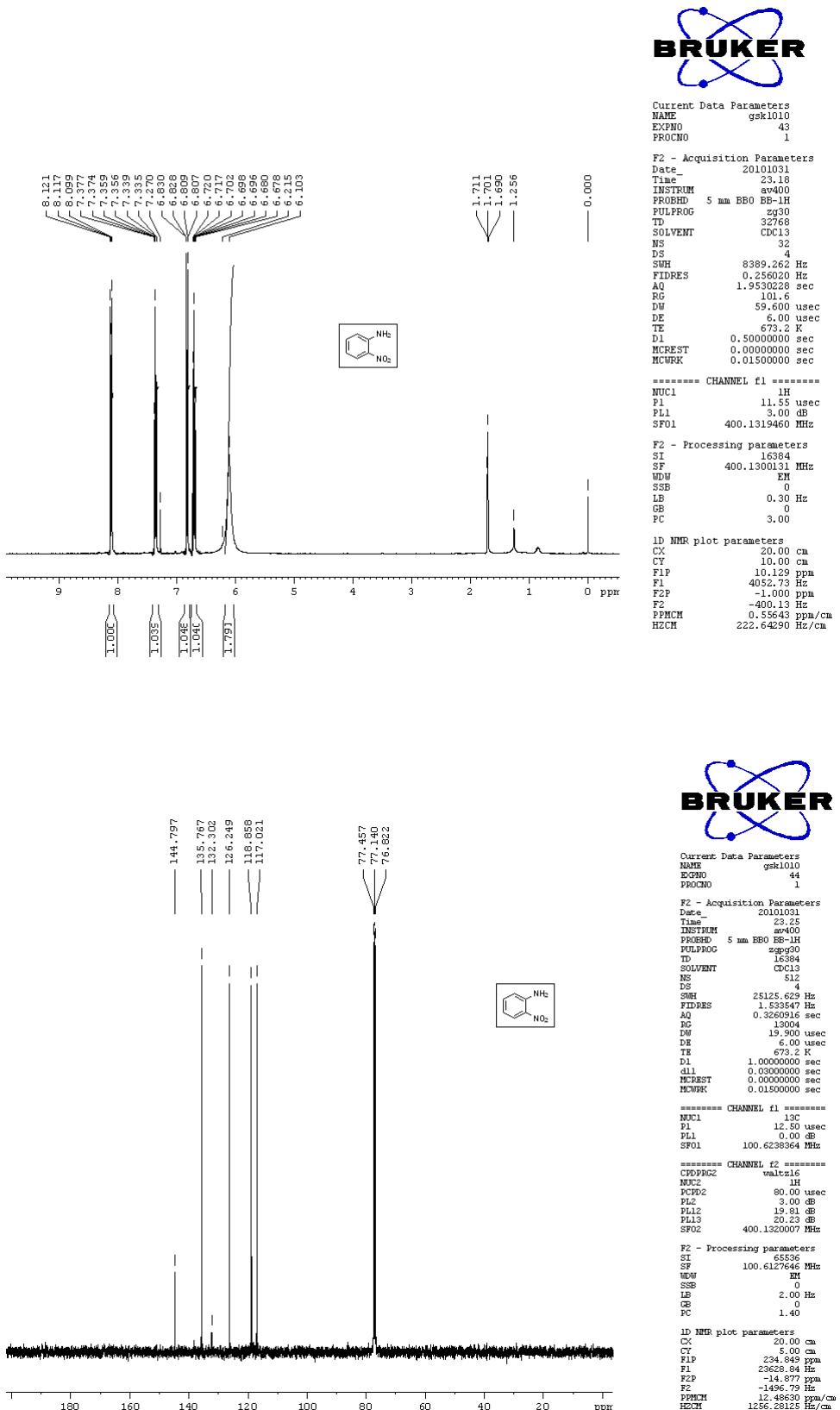
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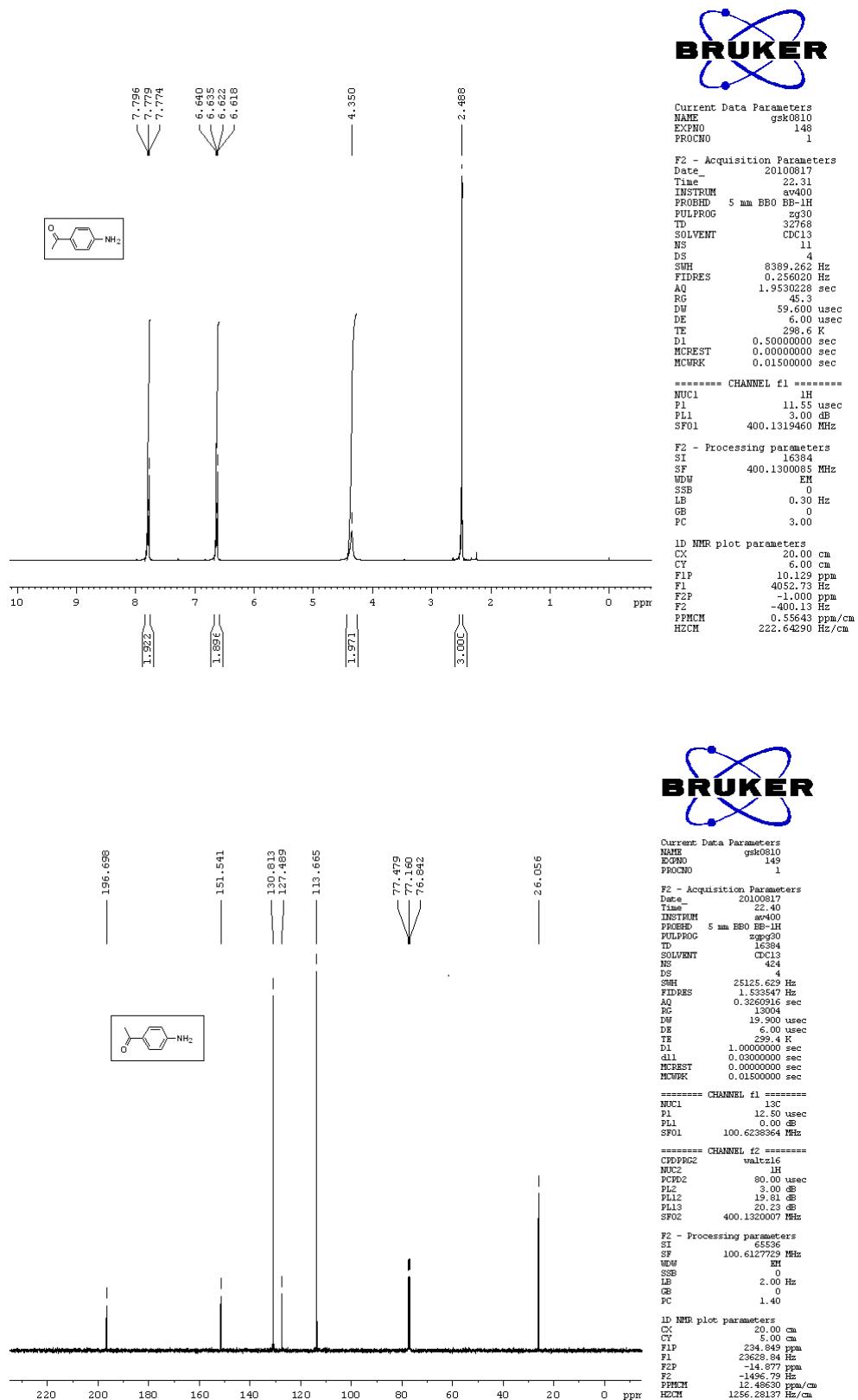
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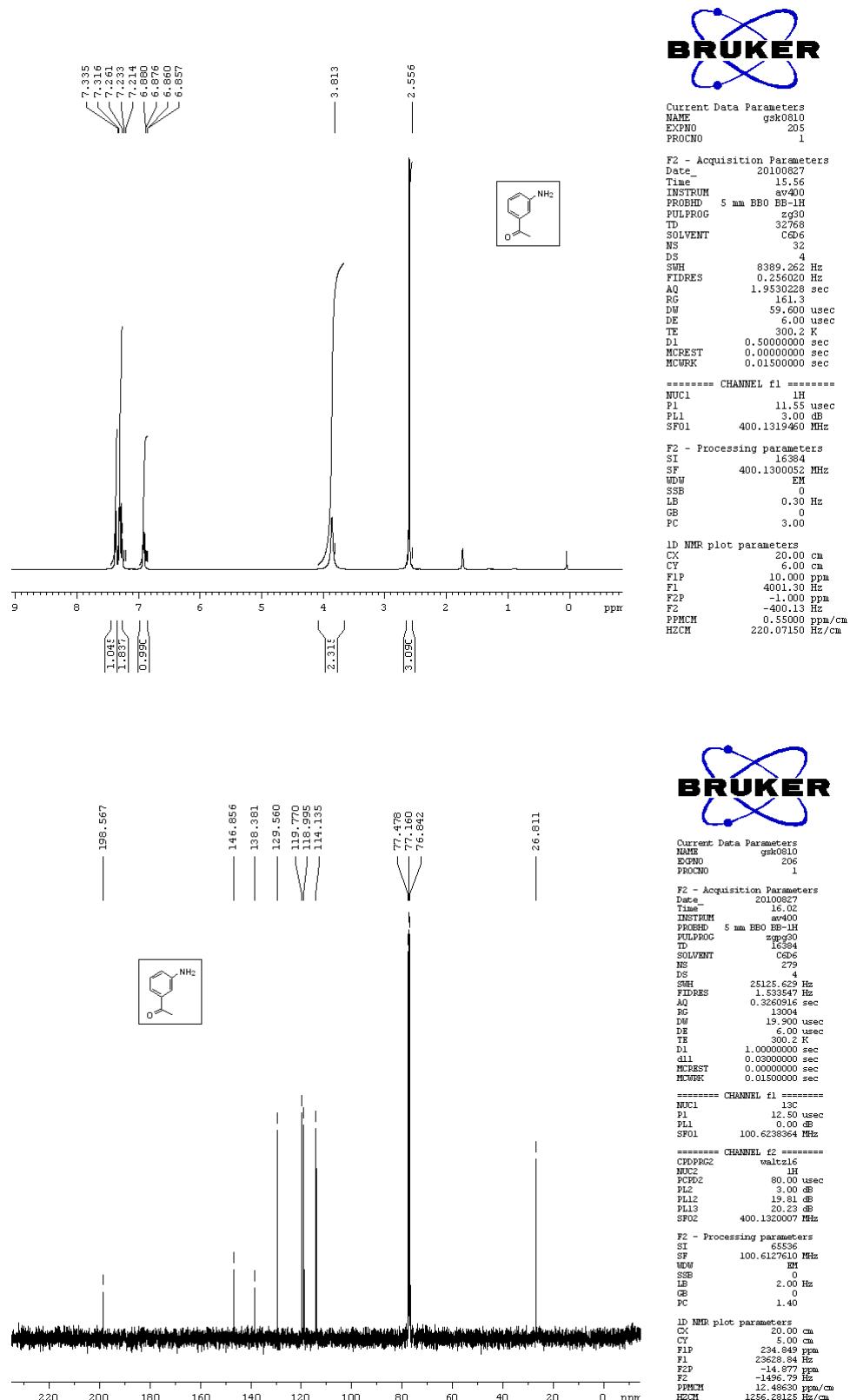
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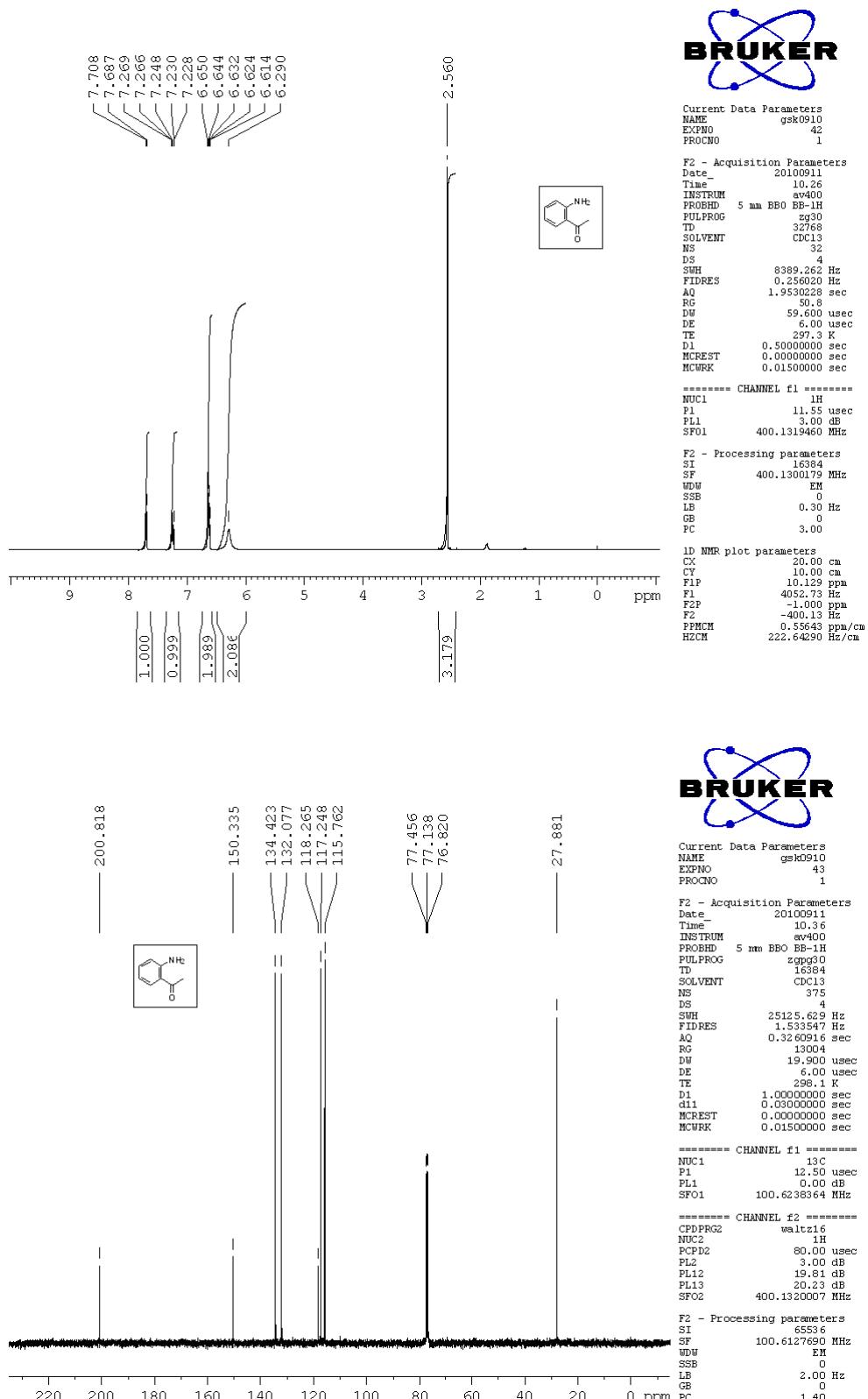
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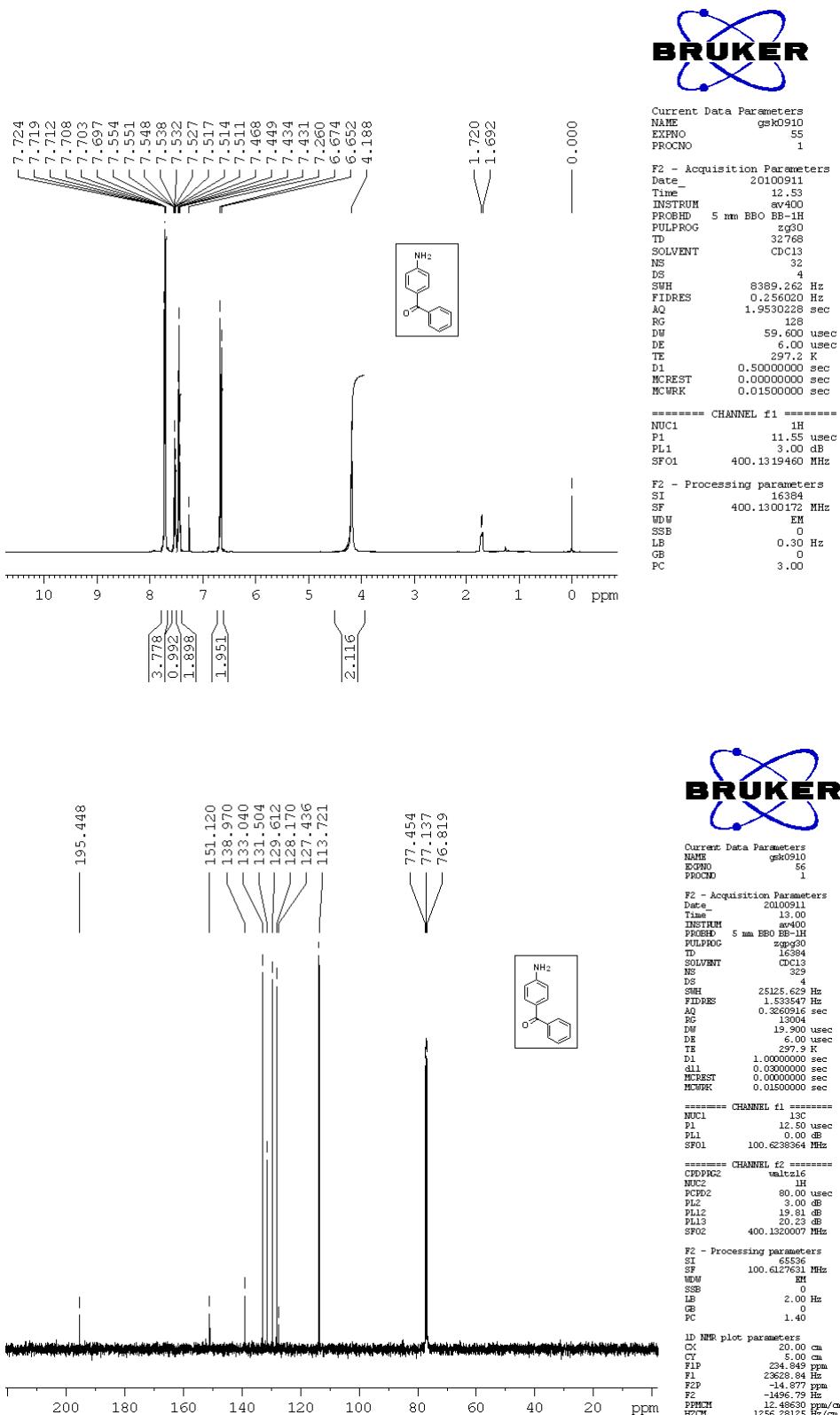
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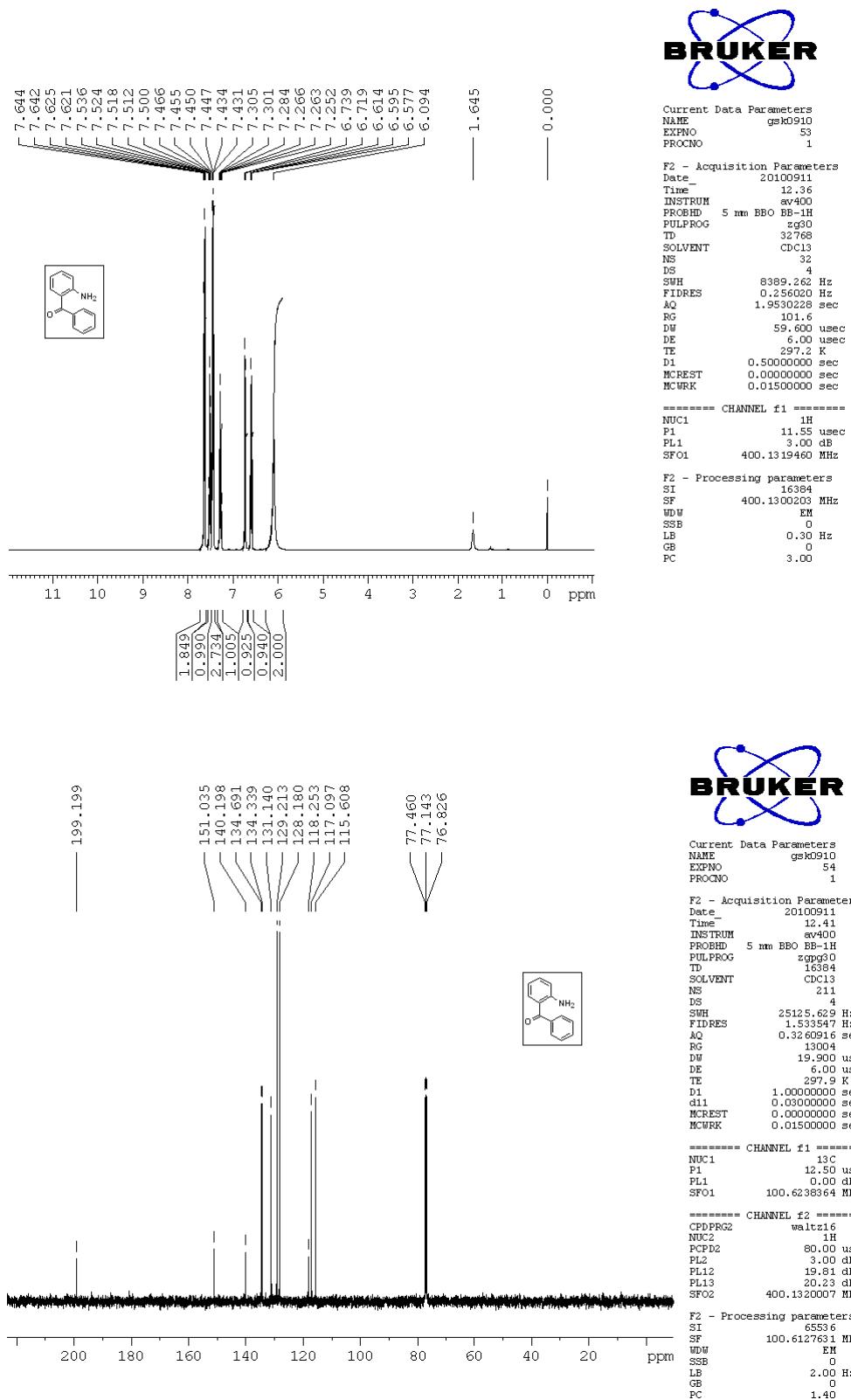
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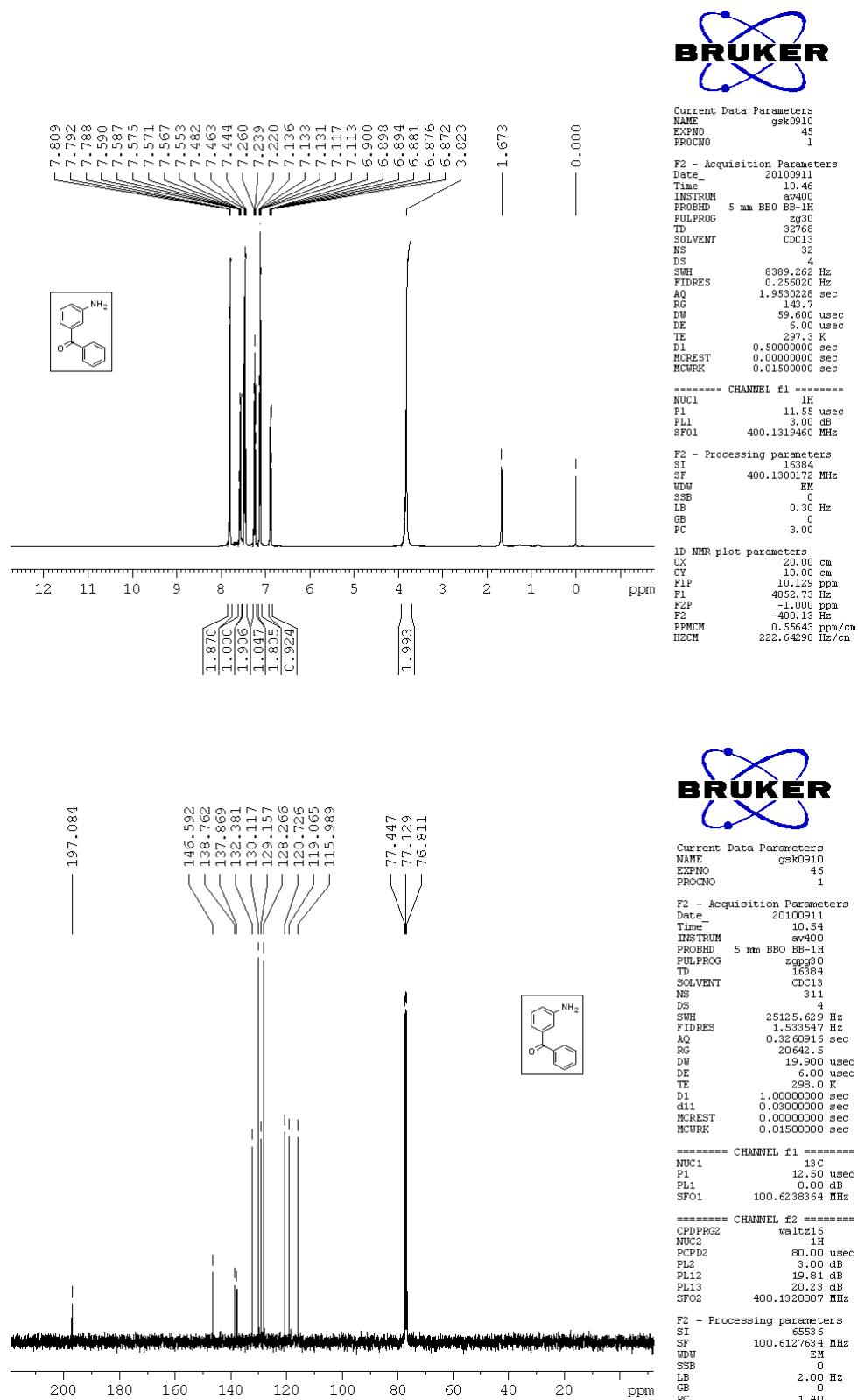
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