

ZrCl₂(η-C₅Me₅)₂-AlHCl₂·(THF)₂: Efficient hydroalumination of terminal alkynes and cross-coupling of the derived alanes

Philip Andrews,^a Christopher M. Latham,^a Marc Magre,^a Darren Willcox^a and Simon Woodward*^a

^a School of Chemistry, The University of Nottingham, University Park, Nottingham, United Kingdom. Fax: +44-(0)115-9513564; Tel: +44-(0)115-9513541; E-mail: simon.woodward@nottingham.ac.uk

List of Contents

General	S2
General Procedures	
Preparation of HAlCl ₂ ·2THF	S2
Cp* ₂ ZrCl ₂ catalysed hydroalumination-cross coupling of alkynes	S2
Cp ₂ TiCl ₂ catalysed hydroalumination-cross coupling of alkynes	S3
² H{ ¹ H} and ¹ H NMR monitoring of the hydroalumination procedure	S3
Compound data	S4
Comparison of hydroalumination conditions	S23
Spectra	S24
References	S94

General

All reactions were carried out in flame-dried or oven-dried glassware, under an argon atmosphere. THF was freshly distilled from sodium benzophenone-ketyl. Solid 1,4-Diazabicyclo[2.2.2]octane (DABCO) was freshly sublimed before use. Crystalline $\text{AlCl}_3 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ was stored in a glovebox or in standard Schlenk-ware and its purity determined by evolved H_2 volume on aqueous quench. Dichloroalane adducts were typically weighed out in the glovebox but could equally be promptly weighed in air on gram scales with less than 5% degradation (within 30 mins). Such 'in air' preparations demonstrated identical coupling efficiencies to those weighed under rigorously anaerobic conditions (observed maximum handling times in air: $\text{AlCl}_3 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ 30 min; $\text{AlCl}_3 \cdot \text{dioxane}$ 45 min). Alkynes were distilled and aryl halides were dried with and stored over 4 Å molecular sieves. All other commercially available compounds used without further purification. Flash column chromatography was carried out using Davisil silica gel 60 (0.035-0.070 mm particle size), eluting with pentane. Thin layer chromatography was carried out using Merck F₂₅₄ aluminium-backed silica plates.

Proton (400 MHz) and carbon-13 (100.6 MHz) NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker DPX400, AV400 or AV(III)400 instrument. Chemical shifts are quoted as parts per million and referenced to CHCl_3 (7.27 ppm for ^1H and 77.0 ppm for ^{13}C). Carbon-13 NMR spectra were recorded with broadband proton decoupling. Infra-red spectra were recorded on a Bruker Tensor 27 FT-IR spectrometer. Melting points were measured on a Gallenkamp melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Mass spectrometry was carried out using either a Bruker MicroTOF or a Micromass AutoSpec instrument.

Preparation of $\text{AlCl}_3 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ ^{S1}

A solution of AlCl_3 (22.0 g, 165 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) in Et_2O (80 mL) was added to a suspension (solution) of LiAlH_4 (2.08 g, 54.8 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in Et_2O (80 mL) at ambient temperature. The mixture was stirred for 15 minutes before the solids are removed by cannula filtration. THF (36.0 mL, 440 mmol, 8.0 equiv.) was added dropwise *via* a syringe to the colourless filtrate (mild exothermic reaction) to yield a two layer system. The flask is placed into a -20 °C freezer overnight which induces complete crystallization. The solid is separated *via* cannula filtration, washed with pentane (3 x 30 mL) and dried under vacuum. Yield: 49.8 g (93 %). The compound has literature properties.

The dioxane adduct was similarly prepared from AlCl_3 (5.50 g, 41.3 mmol), LiAlH_4 (0.52 g, 13.7 mmol), 1,4-dioxane (4.30 mL, 50.1 mmol) to yield the title compound as a colourless solid (8.20 g, 88%).

General Procedure 1: $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{ZrCl}_2$ -catalysed hydroalumination-cross coupling

A flame-dried argon filled Radley's carousel reaction tube was charged with $\text{AlCl}_3 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol, 2.1 equiv.) and $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{ZrCl}_2$ (60 mg, 0.14 mmol, 5.0 mol% based on alkyne). Under an inert atmosphere, THF (4 mL) and alkyne (2.80 mmol, 1.4 equiv.) were added, the reaction mixture stirred at reflux for 2-16 h (typically 4 h) and then removed from the heat. In a flame-dried, stirrer-equipped Schlenk tube under an inert atmosphere, X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol, 4.0 mol% based on ArX), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol, 1.5 mol% based on ArX) and DABCO (0.160 g, 1.40 mmol, 0.7 equiv.) were dissolved in THF (4 mL) and transferred to the hydroalumination mixture *via* cannula leading to the formation of a fine suspension. Aryl halide (2.00 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added and the reaction mixture was heated at reflux for 2 h. Aqueous HCl (2 M, 6 mL) was added, the layers were separated

and the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 5 mL). The combined organic extracts were evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product, which was purified by flash column chromatography (solid load). Alternatively, for acid sensitive substrates, the reaction was quenched with aqueous Rochelle's salt (saturated, 6 mL) and the extraction procedure same as above.

General Procedure 2: Cp_2TiCl_2 -catalysed hydroalumination-cross coupling

A flame-dried argon filled Radley's carousel reaction tube was charged with $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol, 2.1 equiv.) weighed as described above. Under an inert atmosphere, Cp_2TiCl_2 (36 mg, 0.14 mmol, 5.0 mol% based on alkyne), THF (4 mL) and alkyne (2.80 mmol, 1.4 equiv.) were added, the reaction mixture stirred at reflux for 2 h and then removed from the heat. In a flame-dried, stirrer-equipped Schlenk tube under an inert atmosphere, X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol, 4.0 mol% based on ArX), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol, 1.5 mol% based on ArX) and DABCO (0.160 g, 1.40 mmol, 0.7 equiv.) were dissolved in THF (4 mL) and transferred to the hydroalumination mixture *via* cannula leading to a fine suspension. Aryl halide (2.00 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added and the reaction mixture was heated at reflux for 2 h. Aqueous HCl (2 M, 6 mL) was added, the layers were separated and the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 5 mL). The combined organic extracts were evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product, which was purified by flash column chromatography (solid load).

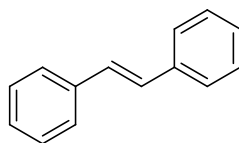
General Procedure 3: $^2\text{H}\{^1\text{H}\}$ and ^1H NMR monitoring of the hydroalumination procedure

Hydroaluminations were carried out as described above. The crude mixture of alanes (from alkyne (2.80 mmol) and $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (4.20 mmol) in THF (4 mL) was quenched with D_2O (0.50 mL) at room temperature. The crude reaction mixture was apportioned into two equal parts. To the first part CDCl_3 (50 μL , internal standard) was added and the $^2\text{H}\{^1\text{H}\}$ spectrum acquired.

The $^2\text{H}\{^1\text{H}\}$ spectra were run unlocked using the spectrometer lock channel. Samples were shimmed by means of gradient shimming using the ^1H NMR signal of the THF solvent. The 'zgig2h' pulse sequence of a Bruker AVANCE I type instrument was used and the ^2H spectra acquired using power gated ^1H decoupling. Use of coupled ^2H spectra was ineffective due to signal overlaps in the alkene region. The relative populations of (*E*)-1:(*Z*)-1:2:3:4:5 ($\text{R} = \text{C}_8\text{H}_{17}$, $\text{Y} = \text{Cl}$) were determined by the integrals of the singlets at δ_{D} 4.97 (=C(1)D), 5.03 (=C(1)D'), 5.85 (=C(2)D), 1.95 ($\equiv\text{CD}$), 0.93 ($-\text{CD}_2\text{H}$), 1.31 ($-\text{CHD}-$) respectively of the D-quenched products. No evidence for the formation of *n*- $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{17}\text{CD}_2\text{CH}_3$ (potentially from double C(2)-Al addition) was detected and its concentration was assumed minimal. The second part of the reaction mixture was evaporated to a crude oil. The alkyne conversion was determined by comparison of the ^1H NMR spectrum of the residual 1-decyne $\equiv\text{CH}$ integral at δ_{H} 1.95 to integral of the non-terminal alkene signal at δ_{H} 5.85 after correction for deuterium incorporation. Total deuterium incorporation in the 1-decene was determined by GC-MS, while the fraction at C(1)/C(2) was available from the $^2\text{H}\{^1\text{H}\}$ studies above.

Compound Data

(E)-stilbene (**1**) (Table 2, Run 2)^{S2}

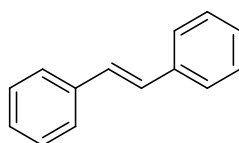


Prepared by General Procedure 2, $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.04 g, 4.28 mmol), Cp_2TiCl_2 (35 mg, 0.14 mmol), phenylacetylene (310 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (32 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (156 mg, 1.39 mmol) and bromobenzene (210 μL , 2.00 mmol) afforded **1** (339 mg, 94 %) as a white crystalline solid. R_F (pentane) 0.30.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 7.14 (s, 2H, CH=CH), 7.32-7.26 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.41-7.35 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.56-7.50 (m, 4H, Ar).

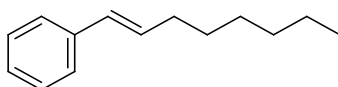
$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 126.5 (Ar), 127.6 (Ar), 128.7 (2C, CH=CH), 137.3 (Ar).
Data were consistent with literature values.

(E)-stilbene (**1**) (Table 2, Run 4)^{S3}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{ZrCl}_2$ (59 mg, 0.14 mmol), phenylacetylene (310 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (39 mg, 0.08 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (157 mg, 1.40 mmol) and bromobenzene (210 μL , 2.00 mmol) afforded **1** (338 mg, 94 %) as a white crystalline solid. Data as above.

(E)-1-phenyl-1-octene (**2**) (Table 3, Run 1)^{S3}

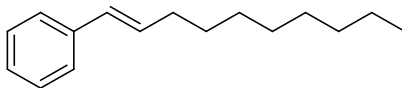


Prepared by General Procedure 1, $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{ZrCl}_2$ (64 mg, 0.15 mmol), 1-octyne (410 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (164 mg, 1.46 mmol) and bromobenzene (210 μL , 2.00 mmol) afforded **2** (367 mg, 98 %) as a colourless oil; R_F (pentane) 0.70.

$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 0.97-0.87 (m, 3H, CH_3), 1.43-1.22 (m, 6H, 3 x CH_2), 1.55-1.44 (m, 2H, CH_2), 2.24 (q, 2H, $J = 7.0$ Hz, CHCH_2), 6.26 (dt, 1H, $J = 16.0, 7.0$ Hz, CH_2CH), 6.41 (d, 1H, $J = 16.0$ Hz, PhCH), 7.22 (t, 1H, $J = 8.0$ Hz, Ar), 7.32 (t, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz, Ar), 7.38 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz, Ar).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 14.1 (CH₃), 22.6 (CH₂), 28.9 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 31.8 (CH₂), 33.1 (CH₂), 125.9 (Ar), 126.7 (Ar), 128.4 (Ar), 129.7 (ArCH), 131.2 (ArCH=CH), 138.0 (Ar). Data were consistent with literature values.

(E)-(Dec-1-en-1-yl)benzene (3) (Table 3, Run 2)^{S4}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, HAlCl₂•2THF (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), ZrCp*₂Cl₂ (68 mg, 0.14 mmol), Dec-1-yne (504 μL, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃•CHCl₃ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (166 mg, 1.48 mmol) and 1-bromobenzene (210 μL, 2.00 mmol) afforded **3** (416 mg, 96 %) as a colourless oil; **R_F** (pentane) 0.95.

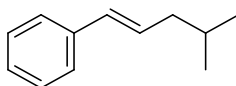
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 0.91 (t, 3H, *J* = 6.8 Hz, CH₂Me), 1.25-1.42 (m, 10H, CH₂), 1.44-1.53 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.23 (qd, 2H, *J* = 6.8, 1.6 Hz, C=CH₂), 6.25 (dt, 1H, *J* = 15.8, 7.2 Hz, C=CHCH₂), 6.40 (d, 1H, *J* = 15.8 Hz, PhCH=CHCH₂), 7.18-7.24 (m, 1H, Ar), 7.27-7.34 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.36-7.39 (m, 2H, Ar).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 14.1 (Me), 22.7 (CH₂), 29.2 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.5 (CH₂), 31.9 (CH₂), 33.1 (CH₂), 125.9 (2 x Ar), 126.7 (C=CH), 128.5 (2 x Ar), 129.7 (Ar), 131.3 (CH=CH), 138.0 (*ipso*-C₀, Ar).

IR (CHCl₃): $\tilde{\nu}$ 3082, 3062, 3005, 2958, 2928, 2856, 1947, 1876, 1804, 1651, 1598, 1577, 1494, 1466, 1378, 1308, 1072, 1028, 966, 912, 644, 606 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (EI+) *m/z*: Calcd. for C₁₆H₂₄ 216.1878, found 216.1879.

(E)-4-methyl-1-phenylpent-1-ene (4) (Table 3, Run 3)^{S5}



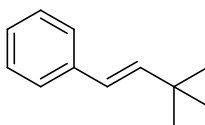
Prepared by General Procedure 1, HAlCl₂•2THF (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), Cp*₂ZrCl₂ (61 mg, 0.14 mmol), 4-methyl-1-pentyne (330 μL, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃•CHCl₃ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (158 mg, 1.41 mmol) and bromobenzene (210 μL, 2.00 mmol) afforded **4** (281 mg, 88 %) as a pale yellow oil; **R_F** (pentane) 0.70.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 0.95 (dd, 6H, *J* = 6.5, 1.5 Hz, 2 x CH₃), 1.74 (sept, 1H, *J* = 6.5 Hz, (CH₃)₂CH), 2.10 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.0 Hz, ⁱPrCH₂), 6.27-6.15 (m, 1H, CH), 6.37 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz, CH), 7.42-7.13 (m, 5H, Ar).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 22.4 (2 x CH₃), 28.6 (CH(CH₃)₂), 42.4 (CH₂), 125.9 (Ar), 126.8 (Ar), 128.4 (Ar), 129.6 (ArCH), 130.8 (ArCH=CH), 137.9 (Ar).

Data were consistent with literature values.

(E)-3,3-dimethyl-1-phenylbut-1-ene (5) (Table 3, Run 4)^{S6}



Prepared by General Procedure 2, $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), Cp_2TiCl_2 (35 mg, 0.14 mmol), 3,3-dimethyl-1-butyne (350 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (32 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (158 mg, 1.40 mmol) and bromobenzene (210 μL , 2.00 mmol) afforded **5** (298 mg, 93 %) as a pale yellow oil.

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 1.15 (s, 9H, 3 x CH_3), 6.28 (d, 1H, $J = 16.0$ Hz, CH), 6.34 (d, 1H, $J = 16.0$ Hz, CH), 7.21 (tt, 1H, $J = 7.5, 1.5$ Hz, Ar), 7.32 (t, 2H, $J = 7.5$ Hz, Ar), 7.39 (dd, 2H, $J = 8.5, 1.5$ Hz, Ar).

^{13}C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 29.6 (3 x CH_3), 33.3 ($\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3$), 124.6 (Ar), 126.0 (Ar), 126.7 (ArCH), 128.5 (Ar), 138.1 (Ar), 141.8 (ArCH=CH). Data were consistent with literature values.

(E)-stilbene (1) (Table 3, Run 5)^{S3}

Prepared by General Procedure 1, $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{ZrCl}_2$ (64 mg, 0.15 mmol), phenylacetylene (310 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (39 mg, 0.08 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (162 mg, 1.44 mmol) and iodobenzene (220 μL , 2.00 mmol) afforded **1** (355 mg, 98 %) as a white crystalline solid. Data were consistent with literature values.

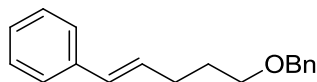
(E)-stilbene (1) (Table 3, Run 6)^{S3}

Prepared by General Procedure 1, $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.03 g, 4.24 mmol), $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{ZrCl}_2$ (61 mg, 0.14 mmol), phenylacetylene (310 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (39 mg, 0.08 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (164 mg, 1.47 mmol) and chlorobenzene (200 μL , 2.00 mmol) afforded **1** (146 mg, 40 %) as a white crystalline solid. Data were consistent with literature values.

(E)-stilbene (1) (Table 3, Run 7)^{S3}

Prepared by General Procedure 1, $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{ZrCl}_2$ (59 mg, 0.14 mmol), phenylacetylene (310 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (30 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (162 mg, 1.44 mmol) and phenyl triflate (320 μL , 2.00 mmol) afforded **1** (310 mg, 86 %) as a white crystalline solid. Data were consistent with literature values.

(E)-5-(benzyloxy)pent-1-en-1-yl)benzene (6) (Table 3, Run 8)^{S7}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, $\text{HAICl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{ZrCl}_2$ (61 mg, 0.14 mmol), ((pent-4-yn-1-yloxy)methyl)benzene (487 mg, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (157 mg, 1.40 mmol) and bromobenzene (210 μL , 2 mmol) to afford **6** (356.2 mg, 75%) as a colourless oil; R_F (pentane/ Et_2O 1:1) 0.36.

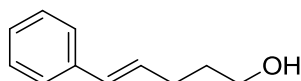
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 1.91 (m, 2H, $\text{BnOCH}_2\text{CH}_2$), 2.40 (ddt, 2H, $J = 7.8, 7.1, 1.0$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHAr}$), 3.60 (t, 2H, $J = 6.4$ Hz, BnOCH_2), 4.60 (s, 2H, PhCH_2O) 6.28 (dt, 1H, $J = 15.8, 7.1$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHAr}$), 6.45 (dt, 1H, $J = 15.8, 1.0$ Hz, $\text{CH}=\text{CHAr}$), 7.40 (m, 10H, Ar).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 29.0 ($\text{BnOCH}_2\text{CH}_2$), 29.5 (ArCHCHCH_2), 69.7 (BnOCH_2), 73.0 (OCH_2Ph), 125.7 ($\text{C}^2(\text{Ph})$ and $\text{C}^6(\text{Ph})$), 126.1 ($\text{C}^4(\text{Ph})$), 127.9 ($\text{C}^2(\text{Bn})$ and $\text{C}^4(\text{Bn})$ and $\text{C}^6(\text{Bn})$), 128.2 ($\text{C}^3(\text{Bn})$ and $\text{C}^5(\text{Bn})$), 128.3 ($\text{C}^3(\text{Ph})$ and $\text{C}^5(\text{Ph})$), 128.9 (ArCHCH), 130.3 (ArCHCH), 137.8 ($\text{C}1(\text{Ph})$), 138.6 ($\text{C}^1(\text{Bn})$).

IR (CHCl_3): $\tilde{\nu} = 3065, 3009, 2940, 2862, 1495, 1453, 1100, 965, 909 \text{ cm}^{-1}$.

HRMS (EI^+) m/z : Calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}$ 252.1514 found 252.1524

(E)-5-phenylpent-4-en-1-ol (7) (Table 3, Run 9)^{S8}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, $\text{HAICl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{ZrCl}_2$ (31 mg, 0.07 mmol), 5-pentynol (130 μL , 1.4 mmol), X-Phos (19 mg, 0.04 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (15.5 mg, 0.015 mmol), DABCO (78.5 mg, 0.70 mmol), InCl_3 (31.0 mg, 0.14 mmol) and bromobenzene (110 μL , 1.00 mmol) afforded **7** (99.1 mg, 61 %) as a yellow oil; R_F (pentane/ Et_2O 1:1) 0.44.

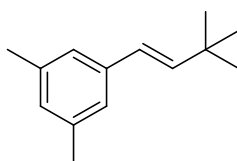
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 1.81 (m, 2H, HOCH_2CH_2), 2.35 (ddt, 2H, $J = 7.8, 7.2, 1.5$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHAr}$), 3.75 (t, 2H, $J = 6.5$ Hz, HOCH_2), 6.27 (dt, 1H, $J = 15.8, 7.2$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHAr}$), 6.45 (dt, 1H, $J = 15.8, 1.5$ Hz, $\text{CH}=\text{CHAr}$), 7.23 (m, 1H, C^4HAr), 7.35 (m, 4H, $\text{C}^2\text{H}(\text{Ar})$, $\text{C}^3\text{H}(\text{Ar})$, $\text{C}^5\text{H}(\text{Ar})$ and $\text{C}^6\text{H}(\text{Ar})$).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 29.3 (ArCHCHCH_2), 32.3 (HOCH_2CH_2), 62.4 (HOCH_2), 125.9 ($\text{C}^2(\text{Ar})$ and $\text{C}^6(\text{Ar})$), 126.9 ($\text{C}^4(\text{Ar})$), 128.5 ($\text{C}^3(\text{Ph})$ and $\text{C}^5(\text{Ph})$), 130.3 (ArCHCH), 130.0 (ArCHCH), 137.6 ($\text{C}^1(\text{Ar})$).

IR (CHCl_3): $\tilde{\nu} = 3624, 2938, 2255, 1599, 1056, 966 \text{ cm}^{-1}$.

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for $C_{11}H_{14}O$ 162.1045, found 162.1045

(E)-1-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-en-1-yl)-3,5-dimethylbenzene (8) (Table 3, Run 10)



Prepared by General Procedure 2, $HAICl_2 \cdot 2THF$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), Cp_2TiCl_2 (34.9 mg, 0.14 mmol), *tert*-Butylacetylene (340 μ L, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $Pd_2(dba)_3 \cdot CHCl_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (166 mg, 1.48 mmol) and 5-bromo-*m*-xylene (273 μ L, 2.00 mmol) afforded **8** (327 mg, 87 %) as a colourless oil; R_F (pentane) 0.92.

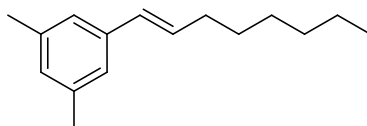
1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ_H 1.21 (s, 9H, 3 x CMe_3), 2.39 (s, 6H, 2 x $ArMe$), 6.34 (s, 2H, $ArCH=CHtBu$), 6.93 (s, 1H, *p*-Ar), 7.09 (s, 2H, 2 x *o*-Ar).

^{13}C NMR (100.6 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ_C 21.3 (2 x $Ar-CH_3$), 29.7 (3 x $C(CH_3)_3$), 33.4 (CMe_3), 124.0 (2 x Ar), 124.7 ($ArC=CH$), 128.5 ($Ar-CH$), 137.9 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 138.0 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 141.5 ($ArC=CH$).

IR ($CHCl_3$): $\tilde{\nu}$ 3009, 2964, 2905, 2866, 2775, 1895, 1827, 1794, 1774, 1753, 1709, 1648, 1600, 1537, 1475, 1463, 1391, 1378, 1363, 1319, 1272, 1250, 1187, 1163, 1039, 971, 921, 897, 857, 827, 645 cm^{-1} .

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for $C_{14}H_{20}$ 188.1565, found 188.1568.

(E)-1,3-dimethyl-5-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzene (9) (Table 3, Run 11)



Prepared by General Procedure 1, $HAICl_2 \cdot 2THF$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), $Cp^*_2ZrCl_2$ (61 mg, 0.14 mmol), 1-octyne (410 μ L, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $Pd_2(dba)_3 \cdot CHCl_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (157 mg, 1.40 mmol) and 5-bromo-*m*-xylene (368 mg, 2.00 mmol) afforded **9** (412 mg, 95 %) as a colourless oil; R_F (pentane) 0.44.

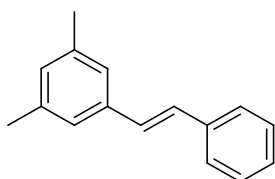
1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ_H 0.93 (t, 3H, $J = 6.8$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.34 (m, 6H, $(CH_2)_3CH_3$), 1.50 (m, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_3CH_3$), 2.21 (ddt, 2H, $J = 7.6, 6.8, 1.2$ Hz, $CH_2CH=CH$), 2.33 (s, 6H, 2x $ArCH_3$), 6.25 (dt, 1H, $J = 16.0, 6.8$ Hz, $CH=CH-Ar$), 6.37 (dt, 1H, $J = 16.0, 1.2$ Hz, $CH=CH-Ar$), 6.57 (s, 1H, *p*- $CH_{(Ar)}$), 7.00 (s, 2H, 2x *o*- $CH_{(Ar)}$).

^{13}C NMR (100.6 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ_C 14.1 (CH_2CH_3), 21.3 ($ArCH_3$), 22.6 (CH_2Me), 28.9 (CH_2Bu), 29.4 (CH_2Pr), 31.8 (CH_2Et), 33.0 ($CH=CHCH_2$), 123.8 ($C^2(Ar)$ and $C^6(Ar)$), 128.5 ($ArCH=CH$), 129.8 ($C^4(Ar)$), 130.9 ($ArCH=CH$), 137.8 ($C^1(Ar)$), 137.9 (C^3CH_3 and C^5CH_3).

IR ($CHCl_3$): $\tilde{\nu} = 3010, 2958, 2928, 2856, 1600, 1466, 1378, 966$ cm^{-1} .

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for C₁₆H₂₄ 216.1878, found 216.1880.

(E)-1,3-dimethyl-5-styrylbenzene (10) (Table 3, Run 12)^{S9}

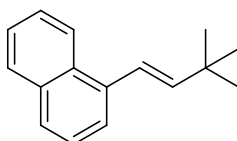


Prepared by General Procedure 1, HAlCl₂•2THF (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), Cp*₂ZrCl₂ (62 mg, 0.14 mmol), phenylacetylene (310 μL, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃.CHCl₃ (30 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (166 mg, 1.48 mmol) and 5-bromo-*m*-xylene (270 μL, 2.00 mmol) afforded **10** (411 mg, 96 %) as a colourless oil; **R_F** (pentane) 0.20.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 2.41 (s, 6H, 2 x CH₃), 6.98 (s, 1H, PhCH=CH), 7.15 (s, 1H, Ar) overlapped by 7.14 (s, 1H, PhCH), 7.21 (s, 2H, Ar), 7.35-7.28 (m, 1H, Ar), 7.42 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.5 Hz, Ar), 7.57 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.0 Hz, Ar).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 21.3 (2 x CH₃), 124.4 (Ar), 126.4 (Ar), 127.4 (PhCH), 128.3 (Ar), 128.6 (Ar), 128.9 (Ar), 129.4 (PhCH=CH), 137.2 (Ar), 137.5 (Ar), 138.1 (CH₃C).

(E)-1-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-en-1-yl)naphthalene (11) (Table 3, Run 13)^{S10}



Prepared by General Procedure 2, HAlCl₂•2THF (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), Cp₂TiCl₂ (34.9 mg, 0.14 mmol), *tert*-butylacetylene (340 μL, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃.CHCl₃ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (166 mg, 1.48 mmol) and 1-bromo naphthalene (273 μL, 2.00 mmol) afforded **11** (299 mg, 71 %) as a colourless oil; **R_F** (pentane) 0.93.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 1.49 (s, 9H, 3 x CMe₃), 6.54 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz, ArC=CHCMe₃), 7.34 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz, ArCH=CHCMe₃), 7.65-7.77 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.81 (d, 1H, *J* = 6.8 Hz, Ar), 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.05-8.08 (m, 2H, Ar), 8.41 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, Ar).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 30.0 (3 x C(CH₃)₃), 34.1 (CMe₃), 122.1 (C=CAr), 123.8 (Ar-CH), 124.2 (Ar-CH), 125.9 (Ar-CH), 125.9 (Ar-CH), 126.0 (Ar-CH), 126.1 (Ar-CH), 127.5 (Ar-CH), 128.1 (Ar-CH), 128.7 (Ar-CH), 131.7 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 133.9 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 136.2 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 145.5 (HC=CAr).

IR (CHCl₃): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3363, 3306, 3175, 3062, 3010, 2963, 2903, 2867, 2030, 1990, 1948, 1930, 1869, 1837, 1810, 1779, 1739, 1698, 1642, 1591, 1578, 1509, 1475, 1462, 1394, 1363, 1345, 1299, 1269, 1255, 1239, 1188, 1169, 1142, 1128, 1083, 1035, 1025, 1013, 973, 945, 925, 906, 877, 863, 839, 824, 640, 618 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₈ 210.1409, found 210.1406.

The 2-regioisomer was formed from the analogous 2-bromonaphthalene derivative to give a comparable yield.

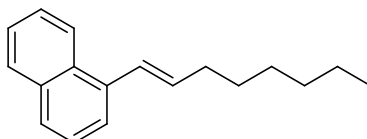
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 1.28 (s, 9H, 3 x CMe₃), 6.50 (d, 1H, J = 16.0 Hz, ArC=CHCMe₃), 6.57 (d, 1H, J = 16.0 Hz, ArCH=CHCMe₃), 7.49-7.56 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.68-7.71 (m, 1H, Ar), 7.80 (s, 1H, Ar), 7.83-7.89 (m, 3H, Ar).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 29.8 (3 x C(CH₃)₃), 33.6 (CMe₃), 123.8 (C=CAr), 124.9 (Ar-CH), 125.5 (Ar-CH), 125.5 (Ar-CH), 126.2 (Ar-CH), 127.8 (Ar-CH), 127.9 (Ar-CH), 128.1 (Ar-CH), 132.8 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 133.9 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 135.6 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 142.4 (HC=CAr).

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₈ 210.1409, found 210.1406.

For C₁₆H₁₈ (210.31): Calcd. C 91.3, H 8.63%; found C 90.9, H 8.73%.

(E)-1-(oct-1-en-1-yl)naphthalene (12) (Table 3, Run 14)^{SI1}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, HAlCl₂·2THF (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), ZrCp*₂Cl₂ (68 mg, 0.14 mmol), Oct-1-yne (410 μL, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃.CHCl₃ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (166 mg, 1.48 mmol) and 1-bromonaphthalene (280 μL, 2.00 mmol) afforded **12** (325 mg, 57 %) as a colourless oil; **R_F** (pentane) 0.84.

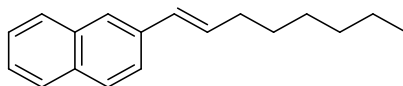
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 1.19 (t, 3H, J = 6.4 Hz, CH₂Me), 1.54-1.68 (m, 6H, CH₂), 1.74-1.81 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.55 (qd, 2H, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, CH₂), 6.46 (dt, 1H, J = 15.6, 6.8 Hz, CH₂CH=CAr), 7.36 (d, 1H, J = 15.2 Hz, CH₂C=CHAr), 7.62-7.73 (m, 3H, Ar), 7.79 (d, 1H, J = 7.2 Hz, Ar), 7.95 (d, 1H, J = 8.4 Hz, Ar), 8.04 (dd, 1H, J = 7.6, 2.4 Hz, Ar), 8.38 (dd, 1H, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, Ar).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 14.4 (CH₂CH₃), 23.0 (CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₃), 29.2 (CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₃), 29.7 (CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₃), 32.1 (CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₃), 33.7 (CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₃), 123.8 (C=CAr), 124.2 (Ar-CH), 125.8 (Ar-CH), 125.9 (Ar-CH), 125.9 (Ar-CH), 127.2 (Ar-CH), 127.4 (Ar-CH), 128.7 (Ar-CH), 131.5 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 133.9 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 134.7 (HC=CAr), 136 (*ipso*-C, Ar).

IR (CHCl₃ solution): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3062, 3009, 2959, 2925, 2872, 2856, 2731, 2029, 1928, 1871, 1836, 1810, 1722, 1690, 1649, 1624, 1591, 1577, 1509, 1466, 1438, 1395, 1379, 1345, 1331, 1311, 1258, 1170, 1142, 1120, 1086, 1056, 1032, 1015, 967, 909, 887, 862, 838, 649, 617 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for C₁₈H₂₂ 238.1722, found 238.1723.

(E)-2-(oct-1-en-1-yl)naphthalene (13) (Table 3, Run 15)^{S3}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), $\text{ZrCp}^*_2\text{Cl}_2$ (68.0 mg, 0.14 mmol), Oct-1-yne (410 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (166 mg, 1.48 mmol) and 2-bromonaphthalene (420 mg, 2.00 mmol) afforded **13** (435 mg, 91 %) as a colourless oil; R_F (pentane) 0.91.

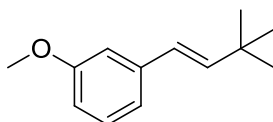
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 1.19 (t, 3H, $J = 6.4$ Hz, CH_2Me), 1.54-1.64 (m, 6H, CH_2), 1.72-1.76 (m, 2H, CH_2), 2.48 (qd, 2H, $J = 6.8, 1.2$ Hz, CH_2), 6.57 (dt, 1H, $J = 15.8, 6.8$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CAr}$), 6.76 (d, 1H, $J = 15.8$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{C}=\text{CHAR}$), 7.60-7.68 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.80 (dd, 1H, $J = 8.4, 1.6$ Hz, Ar), 7.88 (br s, 1H, Ar), 7.95-8.01 (m, 3H, Ar).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 14.4 (CH_2CH_3), 23.0 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 29.3 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 29.7 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 32.1 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 33.5 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 123.8 ($\text{C}=\text{CAr}$), 125.6 (Ar-CH), 126.3 (Ar-CH), 127.9 (Ar-CH), 128.1 (Ar-CH), 128.3 (Ar-CH), 130.1 (Ar-CH), 131.8 ($\text{HC}=\text{CAr}$), 133.0 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 134.0 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 135.7 (*ipso*-C, Ar).

IR (CHCl_3): $\tilde{\nu}$ 3170, 3060, 3009, 2961, 2855, 1950, 1920, 1834, 1804, 1779, 1693, 1652, 1627, 1598, 1574, 1508, 1466, 1437, 1379, 1367, 1312, 1269, 1240, 1176, 1155, 1144, 1126, 1061, 1018, 964, 909, 894, 859, 821, 642, 624 cm^{-1} .

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{22}$ 238.1722, found 238.1723.

(E)-1-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-en-1-yl)-3-methoxybenzene (14) (Table 3, Run 16)



Prepared by General Procedure 2, $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), Cp_2TiCl_2 (34.9 mg, 0.14 mmol), *tert*-Butylacetylene (340 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (166 mg, 1.48 mmol) and 3-bromoanisole (251 μL , 2.00 mmol) afforded **14** (272 mg, 71 %) as a lime-yellow oil; R_F (pentane: Et_2O , 40:1) 0.41.

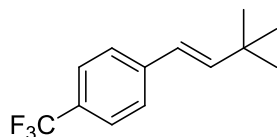
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 1.21 (s, 9H, 3 x CMe_3), 3.88 (s, 3H, OMe), 6.35 (d, 1H, $J = 16.0$ Hz, $\text{C}=\text{CHAR}$); overlapped by 6.35 (d, 1H, $J = 16.0$ Hz, $\text{CH}=\text{CAr}$), 6.83 (ddd, 1H, $J = 8.4, 2.8, 0.8$ Hz, Ar), 6.99 (t, 1H, $J = 1.6$ Hz, Ar), 7.04 (d, 1H, $J = 7.6$ Hz, Ar), 7.28 (t, 1H, $J = 8.0$ Hz, Ar).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 29.7 (3 x $\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3$), 33.4 (CMe_3), 55.2 (OCH_3), 111.4 (Ar-CH), 112.5 (Ar-CH), 118.8 (Ar-CH), 124.6 ($\text{C}=\text{CAr}$), 129.5 (Ar-CH), 139.6 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 142.2 ($\text{C}=\text{CAr}$), 159.9 (*ipso*-C, Ar).

IR (CHCl_3): $\tilde{\nu}$ 3184, 3102, 3009, 2962, 2906, 2867, 2837, 2743, 1800, 1751, 1648, 1598, 1579, 1528, 1489, 1476, 1465, 1431, 1391, 1364, 1324, 1289, 1272, 1247, 1157, 1115, 1082, 1051, 995, 972, 950, 909, 882, 867, 832, 651, 607 cm^{-1} .

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for $C_{13}H_{18}O$ 190.1358, found 190.1352.

(E)-1-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-en-1-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (15) (Table 3, Run 17)^{S12}



Prepared by General Procedure 2, $HAICl_2 \cdot 2THF$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), Cp_2TiCl_2 (34.9 mg, 0.14 mmol), *tert*-Butylacetylene (340 μ L, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $Pd_2(dba)_3 \cdot CHCl_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (166 mg, 1.48 mmol) and 4-bromo-1-(trifluoromethyl) benzene (280 μ L, 2.00 mmol) afforded **15** (329 mg, 72 %) as a colourless oil; R_F (pentane) 0.95.

1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ_H 1.24 (s, 9H, 3 x CMe_3), 6.44 (d, 1H, $J = 16.0$ Hz, $C=CHAr$); overlapped by 6.44 (d, 1H, $J = 16.0$ Hz, $CH=CAr$), 7.52 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz, Ar), 7.63 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz, Ar).

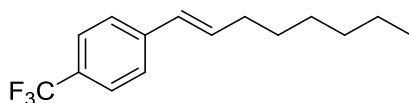
^{13}C NMR (100.6 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ_C 29.4 (3 x $C(CH_3)_3$), 33.6 (CMe_3), 123.7 ($C=CAr$), 124.5 (q, $J = 271.5$ Hz, 1 C, CF_3), 125.4 (q, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 2 C, $HCCCF_3$, Ar-CH), 126.2 (2 C, Ar-CH), 128.7 (q, $J = 32.2$ Hz, *ipso*- CCF_3 , Ar), 141.7 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 144.6 ($C=CAr$).

^{19}F NMR (376.5 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ_F -62.3.

IR ($CHCl_3$): $\tilde{\nu}$ 3190, 3138, 3100, 2967, 2907, 2868, 2777, 2744, 1917, 1837, 1818, 1796, 1745, 1698, 1679, 1648, 1616, 1578, 1515, 1476, 1464, 1413, 1393, 1364, 1316, 1284, 1264, 1132, 1068, 1016, 973, 953, 923, 909, 866, 821, 644 cm^{-1} .

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for $C_{13}H_{15}F_3$ 228.1126, found 228.1133.

(E)-1-(oct-1-en-1-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene (16) (Table 3, Run 18)^{S13}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, $HAICl_2 \cdot 2THF$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), $Cp^*_2ZrCl_2$ (61 mg, 0.14 mmol), 1-octyne (410 μ L, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $Pd_2(dba)_3 \cdot CHCl_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (157 mg, 1.40 mmol) and 4-(trifluoromethyl)bromobenzene (280 μ L, 2.00 mmol) afforded **16** (484.1 mg, 94%) as a colourless oil; R_F (pentane) 0.52.

1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ_H 0.93 (t, 3H, $J = 6.8$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.34 (m, 6H, $(CH_2)_3Me$), 1.51 (m, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_3Me$), 2.27 (ddt, 2H, $J = 7.1, 6.8, 1.2$ Hz, $CH_2CH=CHAr$), 6.35 (dt, 1H, $J = 16.0, 7.1$ Hz, $CH_2CH=CHAr$), 6.42, (m, 1H, $CHCHAr$), 7.44 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz, Ar), 7.55 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz, Ar).

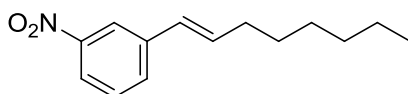
¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 14.1 (CH₂CH₃), 22.6 (CH₂Me), 28.9 (CH₂Bu), 29.3 (CH₂Pr), 31.7 (CH₂Et), 33.0 (ArCH=CHCH₂), 118.6 (C³(Ar) and C⁵(Ar)), 123.5 (q, *J* = 272.0 Hz, CF₃), 129.4 (C²(Ar) and C⁶(Ar)), 129.5 (ArCHCH), 130.5 (C⁴(Ar)), 131.6 (ArCHCH), 139.4 (C¹(Ar)).

¹⁹F NMR (376.5 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_F -69.3.

IR (CHCl₃): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2958, 2929, 2857, 1615, 1329, 1166, 1124, 968 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (EI+) *m/z*: Calcd. for C₁₅H₁₉F₃ 256.1439 found 256.1441.

(E)-1-nitro-3-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzene (17) (Table 3, Run 19)^{S14}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, HAlCl₂•2THF (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), Cp*₂ZrCl₂ (61 mg, 0.14 mmol), 1-octyne (410 μL, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃•CHCl₃ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (157 mg, 1.40 mmol) and 3-nitrobromobenzene (404 mg, 2.00 mmol) afforded **17** (215 mg, 55 %) as a light brown oil; **R_F** (pentane/Et₂O 49:1) 0.36.

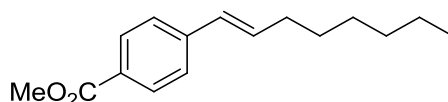
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 0.92 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 1.34 (m, 6H, (CH₂)₃Me), 1.51 (m, 2H, CH₂(CH₂)₃Me), 2.27 (ddt, 2H, *J* = 7.2, 6.0, 2.0 Hz, CH₂CH=CHAr), 6.38 (dt, 1H, *J* = 16.0, 6.0 Hz, CH₂CH=CHAr), 6.44 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz, CH=CHAr), 7.46 (t, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz, C⁵H(Ar)), 7.63 (dt, 1H, *J* = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, C⁴H(Ar)), 8.04 (qd, 1H, *J* = 2.0, 1.2 Hz, C⁶H(Ar)), 8.20 (t, 1H, *J* = 2.0 Hz, C²H(Ar)).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 14.1 (CH₃), 22.6 (CH₂Me), 28.9 (CH₂Et), 29.0 (CH₂Pr), 31.7 (CH₂Bu), 33.0 (ArCHCHCH₂), 120.5 (C²(Ar)), 121.4 (C⁶(Ar)), 127.6 (C⁵(Ar)), 129.3 (ArCHCH), 131.8 (C⁴(Ar)), 134.7 (ArCHCH), 139.7 (C³(Ar)), 147.2 (C¹(Ar)).

IR (CHCl₃): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2958, 2929, 2857, 1529, 1352, 964 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (EI+) *m/z*: Calcd. for C₁₄H₁₉NO₂ 233.1416, found 233.1407.

(E)-methyl 4-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzoate (18) (Table 3, Run 20)^{S14}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, HAlCl₂•2THF (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), Cp*₂ZrCl₂ (61 mg, 0.14 mmol), 1-octyne (410 μL, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃•CHCl₃ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (157 mg, 1.40 mmol) and methyl-4-bromobenzoate (430 mg, 2.00 mmol) afforded **18** (417.8 mg, 85 %) as a yellow oil; **R_F** (pentane/Et₂O 10:1) 0.44.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 0.92 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.0 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 1.33 (m, 6H, (CH₂)₃Me), 1.48 (m, 2H, CH₂(CH₂)₃Me), 2.26 (ddt, 2H, *J* = 7.6, 5.5, 2.0 Hz, CH₂CH=CHAr), 3.92 (s, 3H, ArCO₂CH₃) 6.37 (dt, 1H, *J* = 15.7, 5.5 Hz, CH₂CH=CHAr), 6.44 (d, 1H, *J* = 15.7 Hz,

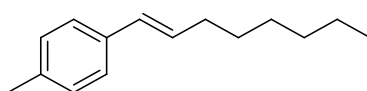
CH=CHAr), 7.41 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz, $C^2H(Ar)$ and $C^6H(Ar)$), 7.98 (d, 2H, $J = 8.4$ Hz, $C^3H(Ar)$ and $C^5H(Ar)$).

^{13}C NMR (100.6 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ_C 14.1 (CH_3), 22.6 (CH_2Me), 28.9 (CH_2Et), 29.1 (CH_2Pr), 31.7 (CH_2Bu), 33.2 ($ArCHCHCH_2$), 51.9 (CO_2CH_3), 125.7 ($C^2(Ar)$ and $C^6(Ar)$), 128.2 ($C^4(Ar)$), 128.9 ($ArCHCH$), 129.9 ($C^3(Ar)$ and $C^5(Ar)$), 134.3 ($ArCHCH$), 142.5 ($C^1(Ar)$), 167.0 ($C=O$).

IR ($CHCl_3$): $\tilde{\nu} = 3008, 2955, 2929, 2857, 1715, 1606, 1436, 1328, 1112, 969$ cm^{-1} .

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for $C_{16}H_{22}O_2$ 246.1020, found 246.1621.

(E)-1-methyl-4-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzene (19) (Table 3, Run 21)^{S15}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, $HAICl_2 \cdot 2THF$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), $Cp^*_2ZrCl_2$ (61 mg, 0.14 mmol), 1-octyne (410 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $Pd_2(dba)_3 \cdot CHCl_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (157 mg, 1.40 mmol) and from 4-bromotoluene (342 mg, 2.00 mmol) afforded **19** (375.3 mg, 87 %) as a colourless oil; R_F (pentane) 0.50.

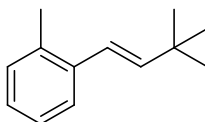
1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ_H 0.93 (t, 3H, $J = 7.0$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.33 (m, 6H, $(CH_2)_3Me$), 1.42 (m, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_3Me$), 2.20 (ddt, 2H, $J = 7.6, 7.1, 1.1$ Hz, $CH_2CH=CHAr$), 2.35 (s, 3H, $ArCH_3$), 6.20 (dt, 1H, $J = 15.0, 7.0$ Hz, $CH_2CH=CHAr$), 6.35 (d, 1H, $J = 15.0$ Hz, $CH=CHAr$), 7.13 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$ Hz, $C^2H(Ar)$ and $C^6H(Ar)$), 7.25 (d, 2H, $J = 8.0$, $C^3H(Ar)$ and $C^5H(Ar)$).

^{13}C NMR (100.6 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ_C 14.1 (CH_3), 21.1 ($ArCH_3$), 22.6 (CH_2Me), 28.9 (CH_2Bu), 29.4 (CH_2Pr), 31.7 (CH_2Et), 33.0 ($ArCHCHCH_2$), 125.8 ($C^3(Ar)$ and $C^5(Ar)$), 129.1 ($C^2(Ar)$ and $C^6(Ar)$), 129.5 ($ArCHCH$), 130.2 ($ArCHCH$), 136.4 ($C^4(Ar)$), 135.1 (C^1Ar).

IR ($CHCl_3$): $\tilde{\nu} = 3009, 2958, 2928, 2857, 2735, 1702, 1512, 1019$ cm^{-1} .

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for $C_{15}H_{22}$ 202.1722, found 202.1726.

(E)-1-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-en-1-yl)-2-methylbenzene (20) (Table 3, Run 22)^{S16}



Prepared by General Procedure 2, $HAICl_2 \cdot 2THF$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), Cp_2TiCl_2 (34.9 mg, 0.14 mmol), *tert*-butylacetylene (340 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38.0 mg, 0.08 mmol), $Pd_2(dba)_3 \cdot CHCl_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (166 mg, 1.48 mmol) and 2-bromo-1-methylbenzene (240 μL , 2.00 mmol) afforded **20** (282 mg, 81 %) as a colourless oil; R_F (pentane) 0.94.

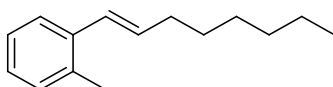
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 1.37 (s, 3H, ArCH₃), 2.55 (s, 9H, 3 x CMe₃), 6.35 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz, C=CHAr), 6.74 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz, CH=CAr), 7.29-7.38 (m, 3H, Ar), 7.63 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.2 Hz, Ar).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 20.0 (ArCH₃), 29.9 (3 x C(CH₃)₃), 33.8 (CMe₃), 122.7 (C=CAr), 125.7 (Ar-CH), 126.2 (Ar-CH), 126.9 (Ar-CH), 130.3 (Ar-CH), 135.2 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 137.4 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 143.5 (HC=CAr).

IR (CHCl₃): $\tilde{\nu}$ 3188, 3139, 3094, 3064, 3046, 3009, 2961, 2905, 2866, 2775, 2741, 2708, 2668, 1948, 1914, 1841, 1808, 1693, 1644, 1619, 1601, 1572, 1483, 1475, 1462, 1391, 1381, 1363, 1314, 1290, 1277, 1264, 1186, 1159, 1103, 1049, 1034, 972, 945, 923, 870, 852, 841, 641, 615 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (EI+) *m/z*: Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₈ 174.1409, found 174.1404.

(E)-1-methyl-2-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzene (21) (Table 3, Run 23)^{S14}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, HAlCl₂•2THF (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), Cp*₂ZrCl₂ (61 mg, 0.14 mmol), 1-octyne (410 μL, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃•CHCl₃ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (157 mg, 1.40 mmol) and 2-bromotoluene (240 μL, 2.00 mmol) afforded **21** (370.9 mg, 92 %) a colourless oil; *R*_F (pentane) 0.54.

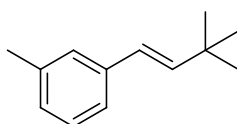
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 0.91 (t, 3H, *J* = 6.7 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 1.35 (m, 6H, (CH₂)₃Me), 1.55 (m, 2H, CH₂(CH₂)₃Me), 2.25 (ddt, 2H, *J* = 7.5, 7.0, 1.3 Hz, CH₂CH=CHAr), 2.35 (s, 3H, ArCH₃) 6.12 (dt, 1H, *J* = 15.6, 7.0 Hz, CH₂CH=CHAr), 6.60 (dt, 1H, *J* = 15.6, 1.3 Hz, CH=CHAr), 7.14 (m, 3H, C⁴H(Ar) and C⁵H(Ar) and C⁶H(Ar)), 7.43 (m, 1H, C³H(Ar)).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 14.1 (CH₃), 19.8 (ArCH₃), 22.6 (CH₂Me), 28.7 (CH₂Bu), 29.4 (CH₂Pr), 31.7 (CH₂Et), 33.3 (ArCHCHCH₂), 125.4 (C⁴(Ar)), 125.9 (C⁵(Ar)), 126.7 (ArCHCH), 127.5 (C³(Ar)), 130.1 (C⁶(Ar)), 132.6 (ArCHCH), 134.8 (C²Ar), 137.1 (C¹(Ar)).

IR (CHCl₃): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3009, 2958, 2928, 2857, 2735, 1702, 1512, 1019 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (EI+) *m/z*: Calcd. for C₁₅H₂₂ 202.1722, found 202.1726.

(E)-1-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-en-1-yl)-3-methylbenzene (22) (Table 3, Run 24)^{S17}



Prepared by General Procedure 2, HAlCl₂•2THF (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), Cp₂TiCl₂ (34.9 mg, 0.14 mmol), *tert*-Butylacetylene (340 μL, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃•CHCl₃ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (166 mg, 1.48 mmol) and 3-bromo-1-methylbenzene (242 μL, 2.00 mmol) afforded **22** (228 mg, 65 %) as a colourless oil; *R*_F (pentane) 0.85.

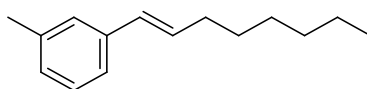
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 1.29 (s, 9H, 3 x CMe₃), 2.49 (s, 3H, ArCH₃), 6.42 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz, C=CHAr); overlapped by 6.42 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz, CH=CAr), 7.14-7.17 (m, 1H, Ar), 7.32-7.35 (m, 3H, Ar).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 21.5 (s, 3 H, ArCH₃), 29.8 (s, 9 H, 3 x CMe₃), 33.4 (CMe₃), 123.4 (C=CAr), 124.8 (Ar-CH), 126.9 (Ar-CH), 127.7 (Ar-CH), 128.5 (Ar-CH), 138.0 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 138.1 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 141.7 (HC=CAr).

IR (CHCl₃): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3235, 3186, 3098, 3009, 2962, 2905, 2866, 2774, 2737, 2710, 1938, 1870, 1808, 1783, 1747, 1648, 1602, 1583, 1522, 1488, 1475, 1463, 1390, 1380, 1363, 1311, 1270, 1240, 1189, 1167, 1091, 1041, 1025, 972, 944, 905, 882, 842, 642, 621, 612 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (EI+) *m/z*: Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₈ 174.1409, found 174.1410.

(*E*)-1-methyl-3-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzene (23) (Table 3, Run 25)



Prepared by General Procedure 1, HAlCl₂•2THF (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), Cp*₂ZrCl₂ (61 mg, 0.14 mmol), 1-octyne (410 μL, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃.CHCl₃ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (157 mg, 1.40 mmol) and 3-bromotoluene (240 μL, 2.00 mmol) afforded **23** (384 mg, 95 %) as a colourless oil; **R_F** (pentane) 0.47.

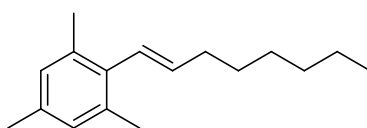
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 0.93 (t, 3H, *J* = 6.7 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 1.33 (m, 6H, (CH₂)₃Me), 1.55 (m, 2H, CH₂(CH₂)₃Me), 2.22 (ddt, 2H, *J* = 7.6, 7.0, 1.0 Hz, CH₂CH=CHAr), 2.36 (s, 3H, ArCH₃), 6.24 (dt, 1H, *J* = 15.8, 6.7 Hz, CH₂CH=CHAr), 6.37 (dt, 1H, *J* = 15.8, 1.0 Hz, CH=CHAr), 7.03 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.1 Hz, C⁴H(Ar)), 7.17 (m, 1H, C⁵H(Ar)), 7.19 (s, 1H, (C²H(Ar))), 7.22 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz(C⁶H(Ar))).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 14.1 (CH₃), 21.4 (ArCH₃), 22.6 (CH₂Me), 28.9 (CH₂Bu), 29.3 (CH₂Pr), 31.7 (CH₂Et), 33.1 (ArCHCHCH₂), 123.1 (C⁴(Ar)), 126.6 (C⁶(Ar)), 127.7 (C⁵(Ar)), 128.4 (ArCHCH), 129.7 (ArCHCH), 131.0 (C²(Ar)), 137.9 (C¹Ar), 137.9 (C³(Ar)) ppm;

IR (CHCl₃): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3009, 2958, 2928, 2857, 2735, 1702, 1512, 1019 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (EI+) *m/z*: Calcd. for C₁₅H₂₂ 202.1722, found 202.1718.

(*E*)-1,3,5-trimethyl-2-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzene (24) (Table 3, Run 26)



Prepared by General Procedure 1, $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), $\text{ZrCp}^*_2\text{Cl}_2$ (68 mg, 0.14 mmol), Oct-1-yne (410 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (166 mg, 1.48 mmol) and 1-bromomesitylene (310 μL , 2.00 mmol) afforded **24** (467 mg, 99 %) as a colourless oil; R_F (pentane) 0.75.

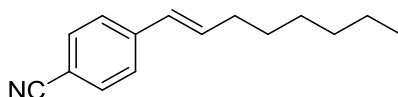
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 1.20 (t, 3H, $J = 6.8$ Hz, CH_2Me), 1.55-1.69 (m, 6H, CH_2), 1.74-1.79 (m, 2H, CH_2), 2.47-2.51 (m, 2H, CH_2), 2.52 (s, 3H, ArMe); overlapped by 2.54 (s, 6H, 2 x ArMe), 5.91 (dt, 1H, $J = 16.0, 6.8$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CAr}$), 6.55 (d, 1H, $J = 16.0$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{C}=\text{CHAr}$), 7.11 (s, 2H, Ar).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 14.4 (CH_2CH_3), 21.1 (3 x ArCH_3), 23.0 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 29.2 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 29.8 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 32.1 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 33.7 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 127.5 ($\text{C}=\text{CAr}$), 128.6 (2 x Ar-CH), 135.0 (*ipso-C*, Ar), 135.6 (*ipso-C*, Ar), 135.8 ($\text{HC}=\text{CAr}$), 136.0 (2 x *ipso-C*, Ar).

IR (CHCl_3): $\tilde{\nu}$ 3008, 2924, 2857, 2735, 1733, 1657, 1610, 1568, 1479, 1466, 1378, 1305, 1176, 1110, 1031, 1017, 973, 952, 908, 888, 855, 643 cm^{-1} .

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{26}$ 230.2035, found 230.2027.

(E)-4-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzonitrile (25) (Table 3, Run 27)^{S18}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), $\text{ZrCp}^*_2\text{Cl}_2$ (68 mg, 0.14 mmol), 1-octyne (410 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (166 mg, 1.48 mmol) and 1-bromo-4-cyanobenzene (364 mg, 2.00 mmol) afforded **25** (405 mg, 95 %) as a colourless oil; R_F (pentane) 0.07.

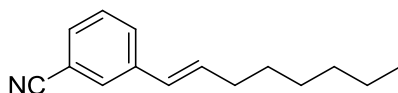
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 0.90 (t, 3H, $J = 6.8$ Hz, CH_2Me), 1.20-1.38 (m, 6H, CH_2), 1.44-1.50 (m, 2H, CH_2), 2.20-2.25 (m, 2H, CH_2), 6.37 (app t, 1H, $J = 4$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CAr}$); overlapped by 6.32-6.42 (m, 1H, $\text{CH}_2\text{C}=\text{CHAr}$), 7.38-7.40 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.52-7.55 (m, 2H, Ar).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 14.1 (CH_2CH_3), 22.6 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 28.9 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 29.0 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 31.7 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 33.1 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 109.9 ($\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 119.1 (*ipso-C*, Ar-CN), 126.4 ($\text{C}=\text{CAr}$), 128.4 (Ar-CH), 132.2 (Ar-CH), 135.5 ($\text{HC}=\text{CAr}$), 142.3 (*ipso-C*, Ar).

IR (CHCl_3): $\tilde{\nu}$ 3118, 3086, 3009, 2959, 2932, 2857, 2228, 2175, 1916, 1795, 1710, 1688, 1650, 1605, 1503, 1466, 1412, 1379, 1367, 1344, 1308, 1240, 1176, 1106, 1053, 1017, 968, 953, 909, 855, 648 cm^{-1} .

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}$ 213.1517, found 213.1515.

(E)-3-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzonitrile (26) (Table 3, Run 28)



Prepared by General Procedure 1, $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{ZrCl}_2$ (61 mg, 0.14 mmol), 1-octyne (410 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (157 mg, 1.40 mmol) and 3-bromobenzonitrile (364 mg, 2.00 mmol) afforded **26** (398.1 mg, 94 %) as a yellow oil; R_F (pentane/ Et_2O 19:1) 0.14.

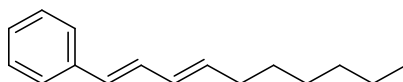
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 0.92 (t, 3H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.33 (m, 6H, $(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{Me}$), 1.50 (m, 2H, $\text{CH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{Me}$), 2.24 (ddt, 2H, $J = 6.8, 6.0, 1.2$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHAr}$), 6.32 (dt, 1H, $J = 16.0, 6.0$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHAr}$), 6.36 (dt, 1H, $J = 16.0, 1.2$ Hz, $\text{CH}=\text{CHAr}$), 7.40 (t, 1H, $J = 8.0$ Hz, $\text{C}^5\text{H}(\text{Ar})$), 7.47 (dt, 1H, $J = 8.0, 1.6$ Hz, $\text{C}^4\text{H}(\text{Ar})$), 7.55 (dt, 1H, $J = 8.0, 1.6$ Hz, $\text{C}^6\text{H}(\text{Ar})$), 7.62 (s, 1H, $\text{C}^2\text{H}(\text{Ar})$).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 14.1 (CH_3), 22.6 (CH_2Me), 28.9 (CH_2Et), 29.0 (CH_2Pr), 31.7 (CH_2Bu), 33.0 (ArCHCHCH_2), 112.6 ($\text{C}^1(\text{Ar})$), 118.9 (ArCN), 127.7 ($\text{C}^5(\text{Ar})$), 129.2 ($\text{C}^4(\text{Ar})$), 129.4 (ArCHCH), 130.0 ($\text{C}^2(\text{Ar})$), 130.1 ($\text{C}^6(\text{Ar})$), 134.3 (ArCHCH), 139.2 ($\text{C}^3(\text{Ar})$).

IR (CHCl_3): $\tilde{\nu}$ 3009, 2958, 2929, 2857, 2232, 1651, 1598, 1466, 964 cm^{-1} .

HRMS (EI^+) m/z : Calcd. For $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}$ 213.1517, found 213.1517.

(1E,3E)-deca-1,3-dien-1-ylbenzene (**27**) (Table 3, Run 29)^{S19}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{ZrCl}_2$ (61 mg, 0.14 mmol), 1-octyne (410 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (157 mg, 1.40 mmol), InCl_3 (69.0 mg, 0.28 mmol) and β -bromostyrene (260 μL , 2.00 mmol) afforded **27** (271 mg, 63 %) as a yellow oil; R_F (pentane) 0.46.

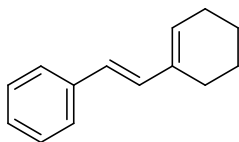
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 0.91 (t, 3H, $J = 6.7$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.31 (m, 6H, $(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{Me}$), 1.45 (m, 2H, $\text{CH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{Me}$), 2.17 (ddt, 2H, $J = 7.8, 6.8, 1.0$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHAr}$), 5.86 (dt, 1H, $J = 15.6, 6.8$ Hz, $\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2$), 6.25 (dd, 1H, $J = 15.6, 11.1$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}$), 6.46 (d, 1H, $J = 15.6$ Hz, $\text{CH}=\text{CHAr}$), 6.78 (dd, 1H, $J = 15.5, 11.1$ Hz, $\text{ArCH}=\text{CH}$), 7.28 (m, 5H, Ar).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 14.1 (CH_3), 22.6 (CH_2Me), 29.4 (CH_2Pr), 29.7 (CH_2Bu), 31.7 (CH_2Et), 33.1 ($\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}_2$), 125.4 ($\text{C}^2(\text{Ar})$ and $\text{C}^6(\text{Ar})$), 126.1 ($\text{C}^4(\text{Ar})$), 128.2 ($\text{C}^3(\text{Ar})$ and $\text{C}^5(\text{Ar})$), 129.9 ($\text{ArCH}=\text{CH}$), 130.4 ($\text{ArCH}=\text{CH}$), 131.9 ($\text{ArCH}=\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}$), 131.3 ($\text{ArCH}=\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}$), 137.7 ($\text{C}^1(\text{Ar})$).

IR (CHCl_3): $\tilde{\nu} = 2957, 2930, 2958, 1676, 1451, 1167, 970$ cm^{-1} ;

HRMS (EI^+) m/z : Calcd. for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{22}$ 214.1722, found 214.1720

(E)-2-(2-cyclohex-1-en-1-yl)vinylbenzene (**28**) (Table 3, Run 30)^{S20}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (510 mg, 2.10 mmol), $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{ZrCl}_2$ (30 mg, 0.07 mmol), 1-ethynylcyclohexene (164 μL , 1.4 mmol), X-Phos (19 mg, 0.04 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (15 mg, 0.015 mmol), DABCO (79 mg, 0.70 mmol), and bromobenzene (100 μL , 1.0 mmol) and quenched with Rochelle's salt (3 mL of saturated aqueous solution) afforded **28** (125 mg, 68%) as a colourless oil; R_F (pentane) 0.25.

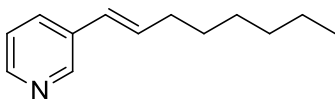
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 1.65 – 1.71 (m, 2H, Cy), 1.74 – 1.80 (m, 2H, Cy), 2.22 – 2.24 (m, 2H, Cy), 2.33-2.39 (m, 2H, Cy), 5.94 (t, 1H, $J = 4.4$ Hz, CH, Cyclohexenyl), 6.49 (d, 1H, $J = 16.4$ Hz, CH=CHPh), 6.82 (d, 1H, $J = 16.4$ Hz, CH=CHPh), 7.22 (tt, 1H, $J = 7.2, 1.6$ Hz, $\text{C}^4\text{H}(\text{Ar})$), 7.33 (tt, 2H, $J = 7.6, 1.6$ Hz, $\text{C}^2\text{H}(\text{Ar})$, $\text{C}^6\text{H}(\text{Ar})$), 7.44 (dt, 2H, $J = 7.2, 1.6$ Hz, $\text{C}^3\text{H}(\text{Ar})$ and $\text{C}^5\text{H}(\text{Ar})$).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 22.5 ($\text{CH}_2(\text{Cy})$), 22.6 ($\text{CH}_2(\text{Cy})$), 24.6 ($\text{CH}_2(\text{Cy})$), 26.2 ($\text{CH}_2(\text{Cy})$), 124.6 (CHC_q), 126.1 ($\text{C}^2\text{H}(\text{Ar})$ and $\text{C}^6\text{H}(\text{Ar})$), 126.8 ($\text{C}^4\text{H}(\text{Ar})$), 128.5 ($\text{C}^3\text{H}(\text{Ar})$ and $\text{C}^5\text{H}(\text{Ar})$), 130.8 ($\text{CyCH}=\text{CHAr}$), 132.6 ($\text{CyCH}=\text{CHAr}$), 135.8 ($\text{C}_q(\text{Cy})$), 138.0 ($\text{C}_{\text{ipso}}(\text{Ar})$).

IR (CHCl_3): $\tilde{\nu}$ 3010, 2930, 2861, 1632, 1616, 1494, 1447, 962 cm^{-1}

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{16}$ 184.1252, found 184.1254.

(E)-3-(oct-1-en-1-yl)pyridine (29) (Table 3, Run 31)^{S21}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.43 g, 5.88 mmol), $\text{ZrCp}^*_2\text{Cl}_2$ (68 mg, 0.14 mmol), oct-1-yne (410 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 \cdot \text{CHCl}_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (166 mg, 1.48 mmol) and 3-bromopyridine (192 μL , 2.00 mmol) afforded **29** (167 mg, 63 %) as a colourless oil; R_F (1:1 pentane/ Et_2O) 0.18.

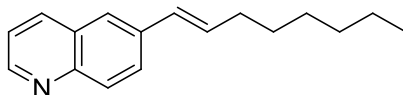
$^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{H} 0.88 (t, 3H, $J = 6.8$ Hz, CH_2Me), 1.25-1.35 (m, 6H, CH_2), 1.44-1.49 (m, 2H, CH_2), 2.21 (q, 2H, $J = 6.8$ Hz, CH_2), 6.27 (dt, 1H, $J = 15.8, 6.4$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CAr}$); overlapped by 6.33 (d, 1H, $J = 15.8$ Hz, $\text{CH}_2\text{C}=\text{CHAr}$), 7.17 (dd, 1H, $J = 7.6, 4.8$ Hz, Ar), 7.61 (dt, 1H, $J = 8.0, 1.6$ Hz, Ar), 8.41 (br s, 1H, Ar), 8.55 (br s, 1H, Ar).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3): δ_{C} 14.1 (CH_2CH_3), 22.6 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 28.9 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 29.1 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 31.7 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 33.1 ($\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$), 123.3 ($\text{C}=\text{CAr}$), 126.2 (Ar-CH), 132.3 (Ar-CH), 133.4 (*ipso*-C, Ar), 133.7 (Ar-CH), 147.8 (Ar-CH), 147.9 ($\text{HC}=\text{CAr}$).

IR (CHCl_3): $\tilde{\nu}$ 3139, 3086, 3054, 3008, 2959, 2929, 2872, 2857, 2732, 1959, 1923, 1901, 1864, 1796, 1713, 1652, 1587, 1571, 1481, 1467, 1416, 1379, 1344, 1330, 1312, 1247, 1185, 1124, 1099, 1044, 1025, 966, 909, 890, 835, 660, 645, 615 cm^{-1} .

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for $C_{13}H_{19}N$ 189.1517, found 189.1515.

(E)-6-(oct-1-en-1-yl)quinolone (30) (Table 3, Run 32)



Prepared by General Procedure 1, $HAICl_2 \cdot 2THF$ (766 mg, 3.15 mmol), $Cp^*_2ZrCl_2$ (45 mg, 0.11 mmol), 1-octyne (310 μL , 2.10 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $Pd_2(dba)_3 \cdot CHCl_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (157 mg, 1.40 mmol), $InCl_3$ (46.4 mg, 0.21 mmol) and 6-bromoquinoline (130 μL , 1.0 mmol) and quenched with Rochelle's salt (3 mL of saturated aqueous solution) afforded **30** (226.4 mg, 94 %) as a yellow oil; R_F (pentane/Et₂O 1:1) 0.25.

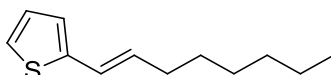
¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ_H 0.94 (t, 3H, $J = 6.5$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.38 (m, 6H, $(CH_2)_3Me$), 1.55 (2 H, m, $CH_2(CH_2)_3Me$), 2.31 (ddt, 2H, $J = 7.8, 7.0, 1.2$ Hz, $CH_2CH=CHAr$), 6.45 (dt, 1H, $J = 15.8, 7.0$ Hz, $ArCH=CH$), 6.58 (d, 1H, $J = 15.8$ Hz, $ArCH=CH$), 7.42 (dd, 1H, $J = 8.3, 4.0$ Hz, C^3H), 7.58 (d, 1H, $J = 1.7$ Hz C^5H), 7.87 (d, 1H, $J = 8.8$ Hz, C^7H), 8.10 (d, 1H, $J = 8.8$ Hz, C^8H), 8.18 (d, 1H, $J = 8.3$ Hz, C^4H), 8.85 (dd, 1H, $J = 4.0, 1.7$ Hz, C^2H).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ_C 14.1 (CH_3), 22.6 (CH_2Me), 31.3 (CH_2Bu), 31.7 (CH_2Pr), 33.1 (CH_2Et), 35.3 ($ArCHCHCH_2$), 124.3 ($C^3(Ar)$), 124.6 ($C^6(Ar)$), 128.0 ($C^8(Ar)$), 128.5 ($C^5(Ar)$), 129.0 ($C^9(Ar)$), 129.3 ($ArCH=CH$), 132.5 ($ArCH=CH$), 135.5 ($C^4(Ar)$), 136.2 ($C^7(Ar)$), 147.7 ($C^{10}(Ar)$), 149.6 ($C^2(Ar)$).

IR ($CHCl_3$): $\tilde{\nu}$ 3011, 2959, 2929, 2857, 1500, 962 cm^{-1} .

HRMS (EI+) m/z : Calcd. for $C_{17}H_{21}N$ 239.1674, found 239.1675.

(E)-2-(oct-1-en-1-yl)thiophene (31) (Table 3, Run 33)^{S22}



Prepared by General Procedure 1, $HAICl_2 \cdot 2THF$ (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), $Cp^*_2ZrCl_2$ (61 mg, 0.14 mmol), 1-octyne (410 μL , 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), $Pd_2(dba)_3 \cdot CHCl_3$ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (157 mg, 1.40 mmol) and 2-bromothiophene (190 μL , 2.00 mmol) afforded **31** (280.5 mg, 72 %) as a colourless oil; $R_F = 0.56$ (Pentane).

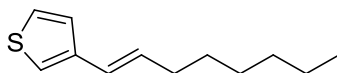
¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ_H 0.92 (t, 3H, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.33 (m, 6H, $(CH_2)_3Me$), 1.48 (m, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_3Me$), 2.19 (ddt, 2H, $J = 7.5, 7.0, 1.5$ Hz, $CH_2CH=CHAr$), 6.10 (dt, 1H, $J = 15.8, 7.0$ Hz, $CH_2CH=CHAr$), 6.53 (ddt, 1H, $J = 15.8, 1.5, 1.0$ Hz, $CH=CHAr$), 6.89 (d, 1H, $J = 3.0$ Hz $C^3H(Ar)$), 6.96 (dd, 1H, $J = 3.0, 5.0$ Hz $C^4H(Ar)$), 7.11 (dt, 1H, $J = 5.0, 1.0$ Hz, $C^5H(Ar)$).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, $CDCl_3$): δ_C 14.1 (CH_3), 22.6 (CH_2Me), 28.7 (CH_2Bu), 29.4 (CH_2Pr), 31.7 (CH_2Et), 33.3 ($ArCHCHCH_2$), 122.8 ($ArCHCH$), 123.0 ($C^5(Ar)$), 124.1 ($C^3(Ar)$), 127.2 ($C^4(Ar)$), 131.3 ($ArCHCH$), 143.3 ($C^2(Ar)$).

IR (CHCl₃): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3074, 3009, 2958, 2929, 2857, 1466, 955 cm⁻¹;

HRMS (EI+) *m/z*: Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₈S 194.1129, found 194.1123.

(E)-3-(oct-1-en-1-yl)thiophene (32) (Table 3, Run 34)



Prepared by General Procedure 1, HAlCl₂•2THF (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), Cp*₂ZrCl₂ (61 mg, 0.14 mmol), 1-octyne (410 μL, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃.CHCl₃ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (157 mg, 1.40 mmol) and 3-bromothiophene (190 μL, 2 mmol) afforded **32** (350.8 mg, 90 %) as a colourless oil; **R_F** (pentane) 0.48.

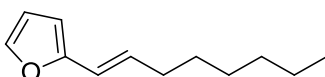
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 0.92 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.0 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 1.32 (m, 6H, (CH₂)₃Me), 1.47 (m, 2H, CH₂(CH₂)₃Me), 2.19 (ddt, 2H, *J* = 7.0, 6.0, 1.5 Hz, CH₂CH=CHAr), 6.10 (dt, 1H, *J* = 15.0, 7.0 Hz, CH₂CH=CHAr), 6.41 (dq, 1H, *J* = 15.8, 2.0, 1.5 Hz, CH=CHAr), 7.07 (dd, 1H, *J* = 3.0, 1.5 Hz C²H(Ar)), 7.21 (dd, 1H, *J* = 1.5, 0.6 Hz C⁴H(Ar)) 7.27 (m, 1H, C⁵H(Ar)).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 14.1 (CH₃), 22.6 (CH₂Me), 28.9 (CH₂Bu), 29.3 (CH₂Pr), 31.7 (CH₂Et), 32.9 (ArCHCHCH₂), 120.2 (C⁴(Ar)), 123.9 (C⁵(Ar)), 124.9 (C²(Ar)), 125.7 (ArCHCH), 131.2 (ArCHCH), 143.3 (C³(Ar)).

IR (CHCl₃): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3009, 2958, 2928, 2856, 1495, 963 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (EI+) *m/z*: Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₈S 194.1129 found 194.1131.

(E)-2-(oct-1-en-1-yl)furan (33) (Table 3, Run 35)



Prepared by General Procedure 1, HAlCl₂•2THF (1.02 g, 4.20 mmol), Cp*₂ZrCl₂ (61 mg, 0.14 mmol), 1-octyne (410 μL, 2.80 mmol), X-Phos (38 mg, 0.08 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃.CHCl₃ (31 mg, 0.03 mmol), DABCO (157 mg, 1.40 mmol) and 2-bromofuran (180 μL, 2 mmol) to afforded **33** (291.6 mg, 78 %) as a yellow oil; **R_F** (pentane) 0.48.

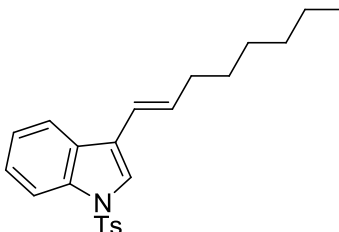
¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_H 0.95 (t, 3H, *J* = 6.8 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 1.35 (m, 6H, (CH₂)₃Me), 1.48 (quin, 2H, *J* = 8.6, 7.0 Hz, CH₂(CH₂)₃Me), 2.21 (q, 2H, *J* = 8.6, 7.0, CH₂CH=CHAr), 6.10 (d, 1H, *J* = 3.2 Hz, C³(Ar)) 6.22 (m, 2H, CH₂CH=CHAr), 6.39 (dd, 1H, *J* = 3.2, 2.0 Hz, C⁴H(Ar)), 7.29 (d, 1H, *J* = 2.0 Hz C⁵H(Ar)).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_C 14.1 (CH₃), 22.6 (CH₂Me), 28.9 (CH₂Bu), 29.3 (CH₂Pr), 31.8 (CH₂Et), 33.8 (ArCHCHCH₂), 105.8 (C³(Ar)), 111.1 (C⁴(Ar)), 118.4 (ArCHCH), 130.3 (ArCHCH), 141.3 (C⁵(Ar)), 153.3 (C²(Ar)).

IR (CHCl₃): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2957, 2930, 2858, 1722, 1677, 1466, 1016 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (EI+) *m/z*: Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₈O 178.1358, found 178.1358.

(E)-3-(oct-1-en-1-yl)-1-tosyl-1H-indole (34) (Table 4, Run 36)



Prepared by General Procedure 1, HAlCl₂•2THF (766 mg, 3.15 mmol), Cp*₂ZrCl₂ (45 mg, 0.11 mmol), 1-octyne (310 μL, 2.10 mmol), X-Phos (19 mg, 0.08 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃.CHCl₃ (15.5 mg, 0.015 mmol), DABCO (117 mg, 1.05 mmol), InCl₃ (46.4 mg, 0.21 mmol) and *N*-tosyl-3-bromoindole (350.2 mg, 1.00 mmol) and quenching with Rochelle's salt (3 mL of saturated aqueous solution) afforded **34** (219.9 mg, 77 %) as a yellow oil; **R_F** (pentane/Et₂O 6:1) 0.51.

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_{H} 0.94 (t, 3H, *J* = 6.7 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 1.43 (m, 6H, (CH₂)₃Me), 1.50 (m, 2H, CH₂(CH₂)₃Me), 2.25 (ddt, 2H, *J* = 7.6, 7.3, 1.5 Hz, CH₂CH=CHAr), 2.35 (s, 3H, ArCH₃), 6.30 (dt, 1H, *J* = 16.0, 7.3 Hz, ArCH=CH), 6.45 (d, 1H, *J* = 16.0 Hz, ArCH=CH), 7.2 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.5 Hz, C²H(tol) and C⁶H(tol)) 7.30 (2H, m, C⁵H(indole) and C⁶H(indole)), 7.53 (s, 1H, C²H(indole)) 7.70 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.3 Hz, C⁴H(indole)), 7.80 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.5 Hz, C³H(tol) and C⁵H(tol)), 8.02 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.3 Hz, C⁷H(indole)).

¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃): δ_{C} 14.1 (CH₃), 21.5 (CH₃(tosyl)), 22.6 (CH₂Me), 28.9 (CH₂Bu), 29.4 (CH₂Pr), 31.7 (CH₂Et), 33.5 (ArCHCHCH₂), 113.7 (C⁷(indole)), 120.0 (C⁴(indole)), 120.3 (C⁵(indole)), 122.6 (C³(indole)), 123.3 (ArCH=CH), 124.7 (C²(indole)), 126.8 (C⁶(indole)), 126.9 (C³(tosyl) and C⁵(tosyl)), 129.3 (C⁹(indole)), 129.8 (C²(tosyl) and C⁶(tosyl)), 132.9 (ArCH=CH), 125.2 (C⁴(tosyl)), 135.5 (C⁸(indole)), 144.0 (C¹(tosyl)).

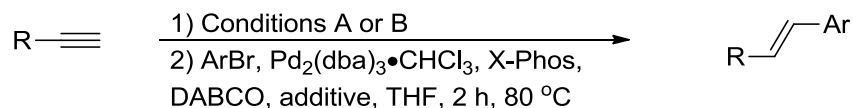
IR (CHCl₃): $\tilde{\nu}$ 3133, 3011, 2958, 2928, 2856, 1644, 1446, 1373, 1188, 976 cm⁻¹.

HRMS (EI+) *m/z*: Calcd. for C₂₃H₂₇NO₂S 381.1762, found 381.1721.

Comparison of hydroaluminations conditions

Hydroalumination using $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot (\text{THF})_2$ under the present conditions was compared to DIBAL-H, under literature conditions. The subsequent cross-coupling was conducted with an identical catalyst (Pd-X-phos) to allow valid comparison of the cross-coupled yields, which are shown in Table S1.

Table S1. Comparison of the Hydroalumination/Cross-coupling procedures.

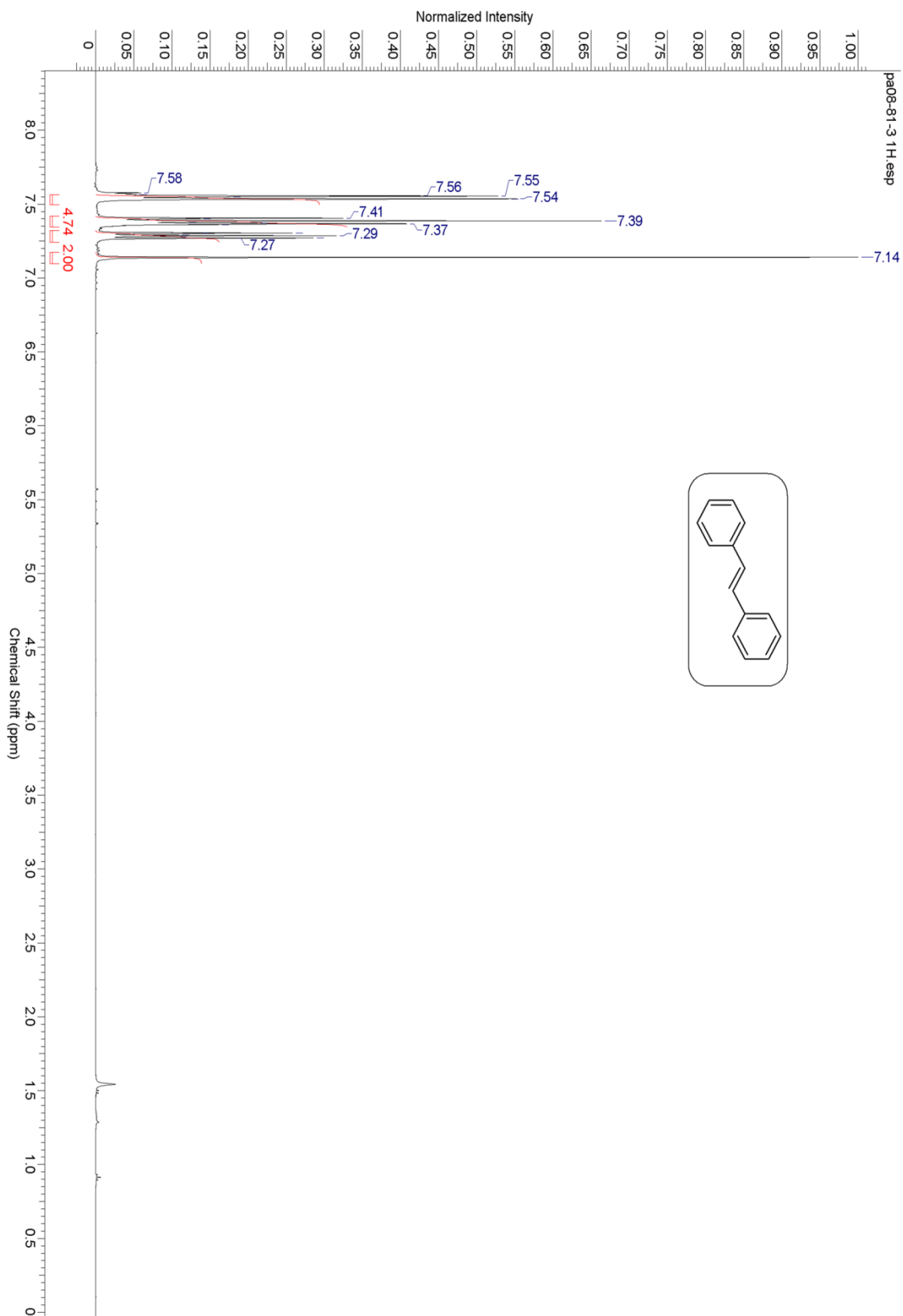


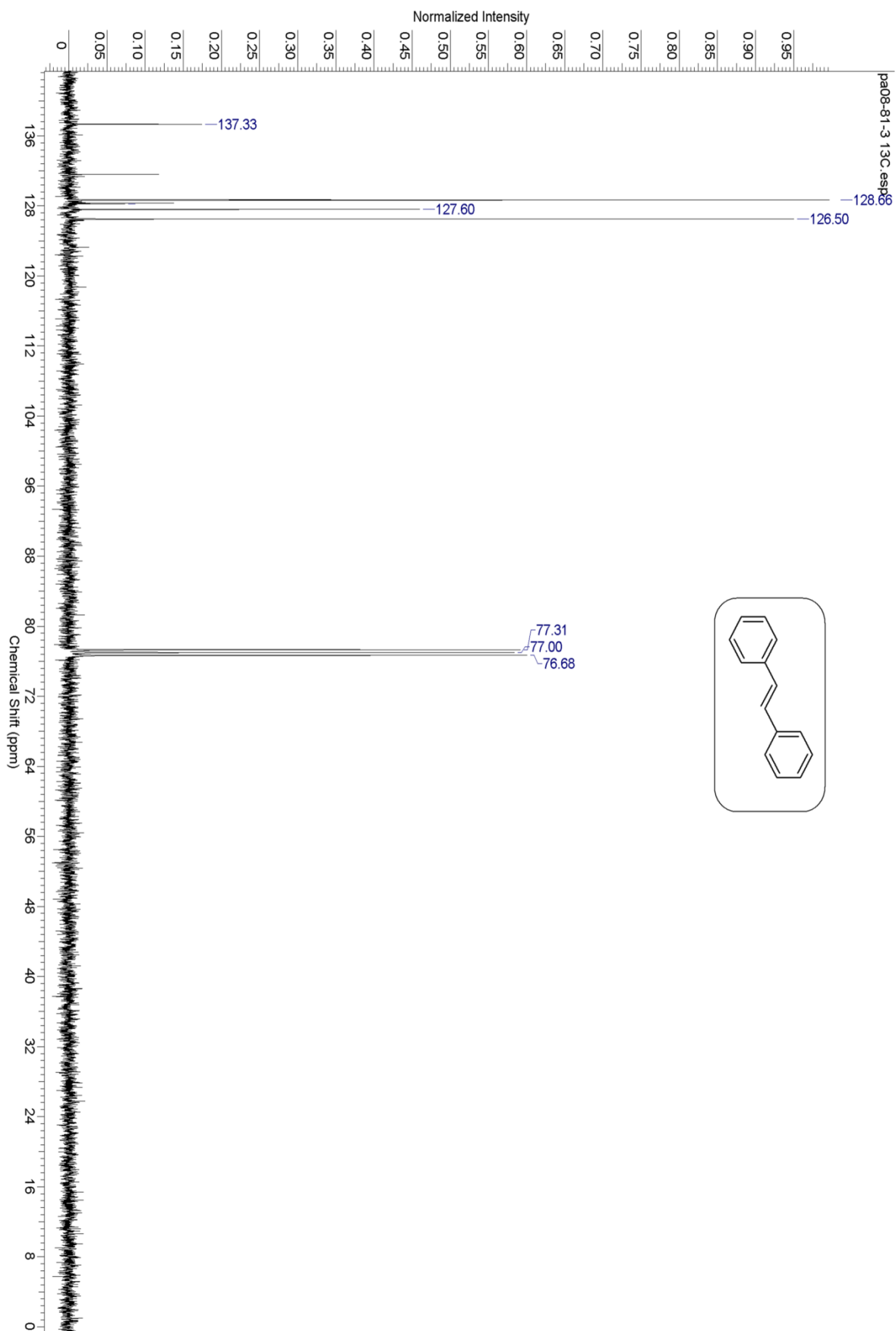
Hydroalumination conditions A: alkyne (1.0 equiv.) $\text{HAlCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{THF}$ (1.5 equiv.), $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{ZrCl}_2$ (5 mol%), THF, 16 h, 80 °C; hydroalumination conditions B: alkyne (1 equiv.), HAlBu^i_2 (1.0 equiv.), hexanes, 6 h, 50 °C.

Entry	Hydroalumination conditions	R	Ar in ArBr	Additive	Yield/ % ^a
1	A	Ph	Ph	-	94 ^a
2	B	Ph	Ph	-	34 ^a
3	B	Ph	Ph	ZnCl_2 (1.0 equiv.v)	13 ^a
4	A	C_6H_{13}	3,5-Me ₂ Ph	-	95
5	B	C_6H_{13}	3,5-Me ₂ Ph	-	82
6	B	C_6H_{13}	3,5-Me ₂ Ph	ZnCl_2 (1.0 equiv.)	40
7	A	C_6H_{13}	3-(CN)Ph	-	94
8	B	C_6H_{13}	3-(CN)Ph	-	88
9	B	C_6H_{13}	3-(CN)Ph	ZnCl_2 (1.0 equiv.)	35
10	A	C_6H_{13}	6-quinoyl	InCl_3 (10 mol%)	94
11	B	C_6H_{13}	6-quinoyl	InCl_3 (10 mol%)	78

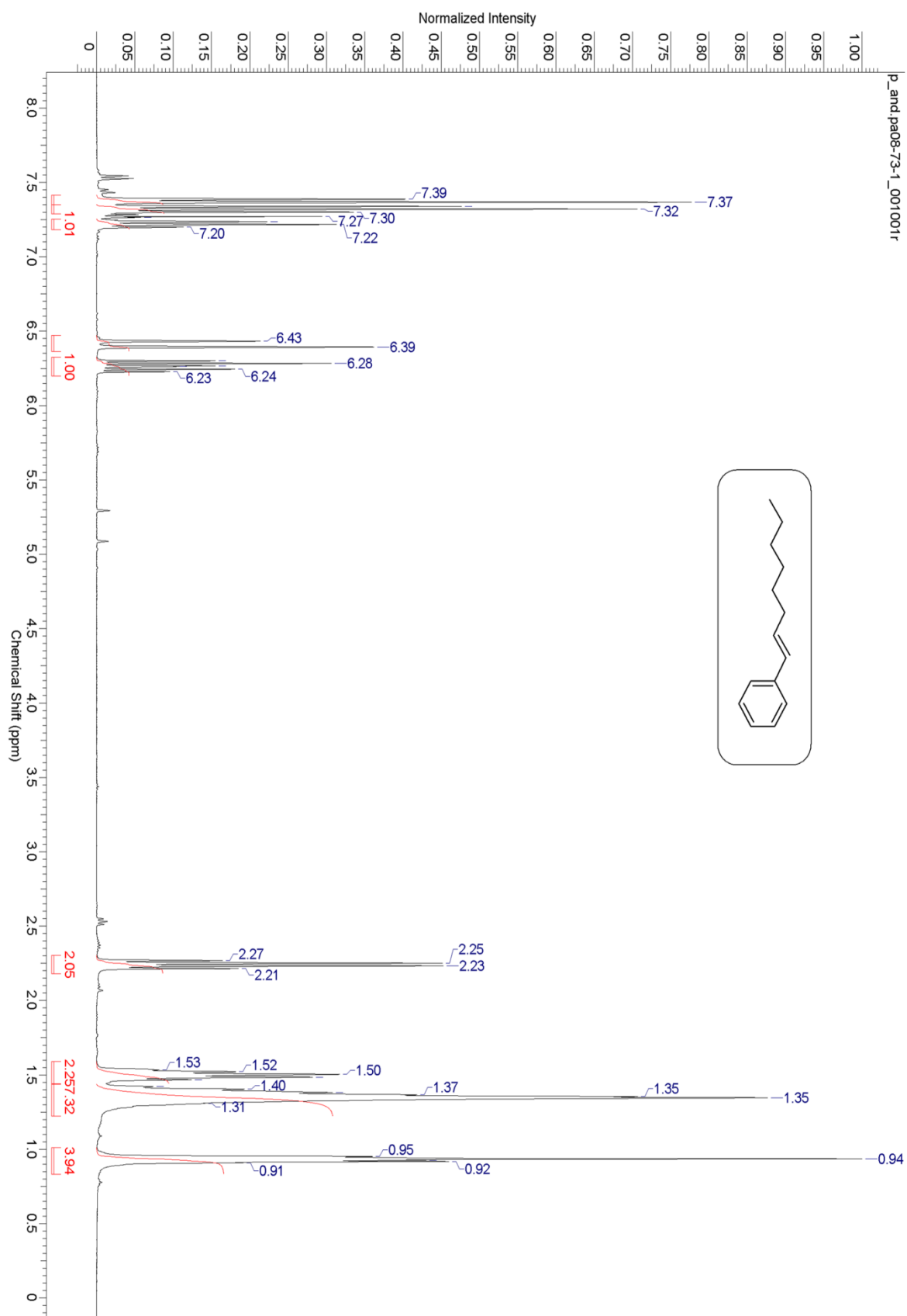
a) All yields isolated except for Runs 1-3 which were determined by GC using a factorFour column with tridecane as internal standard.

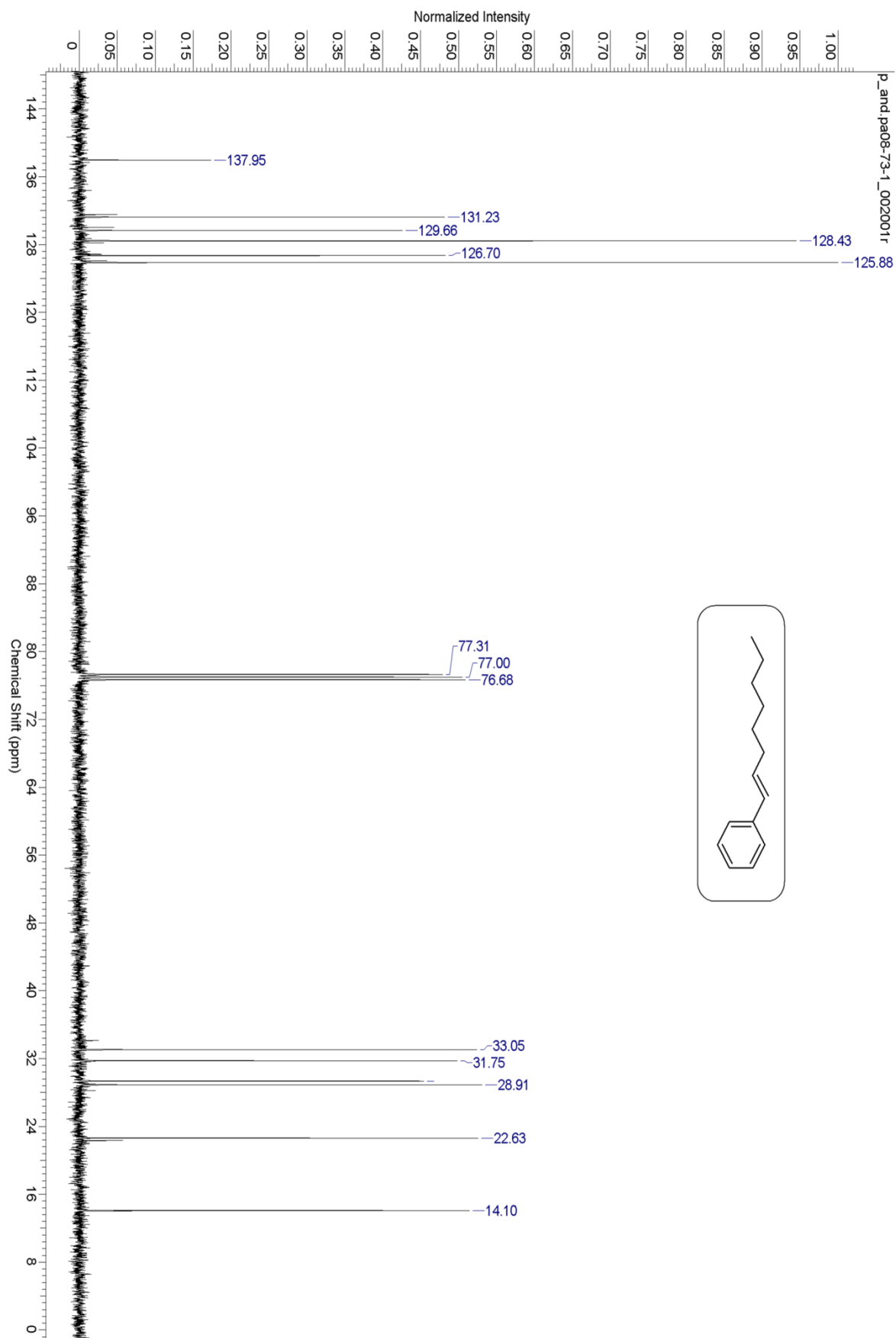
(E)-stilbene, 1



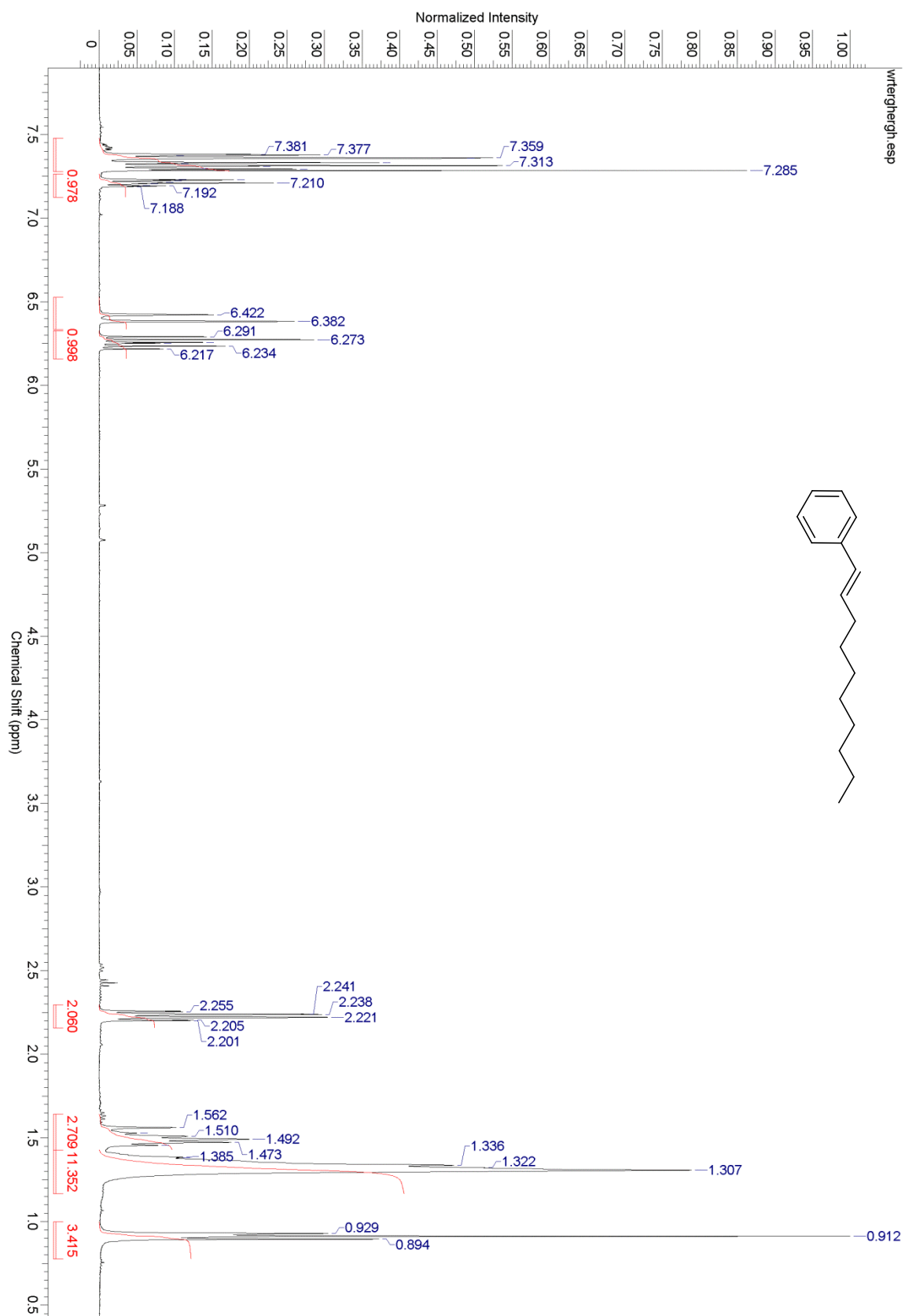


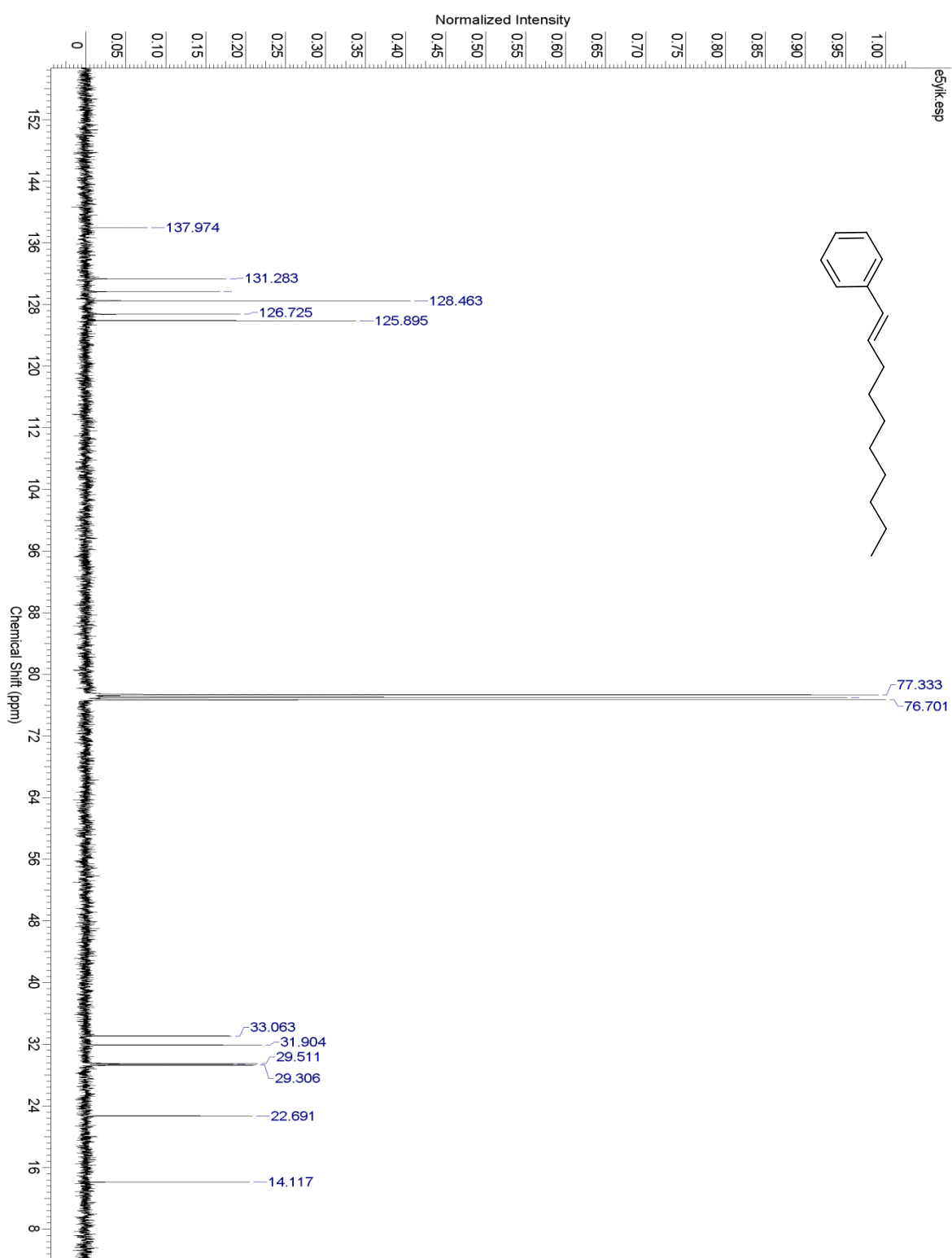
(E)-1-phenyl-1-octene, 2,



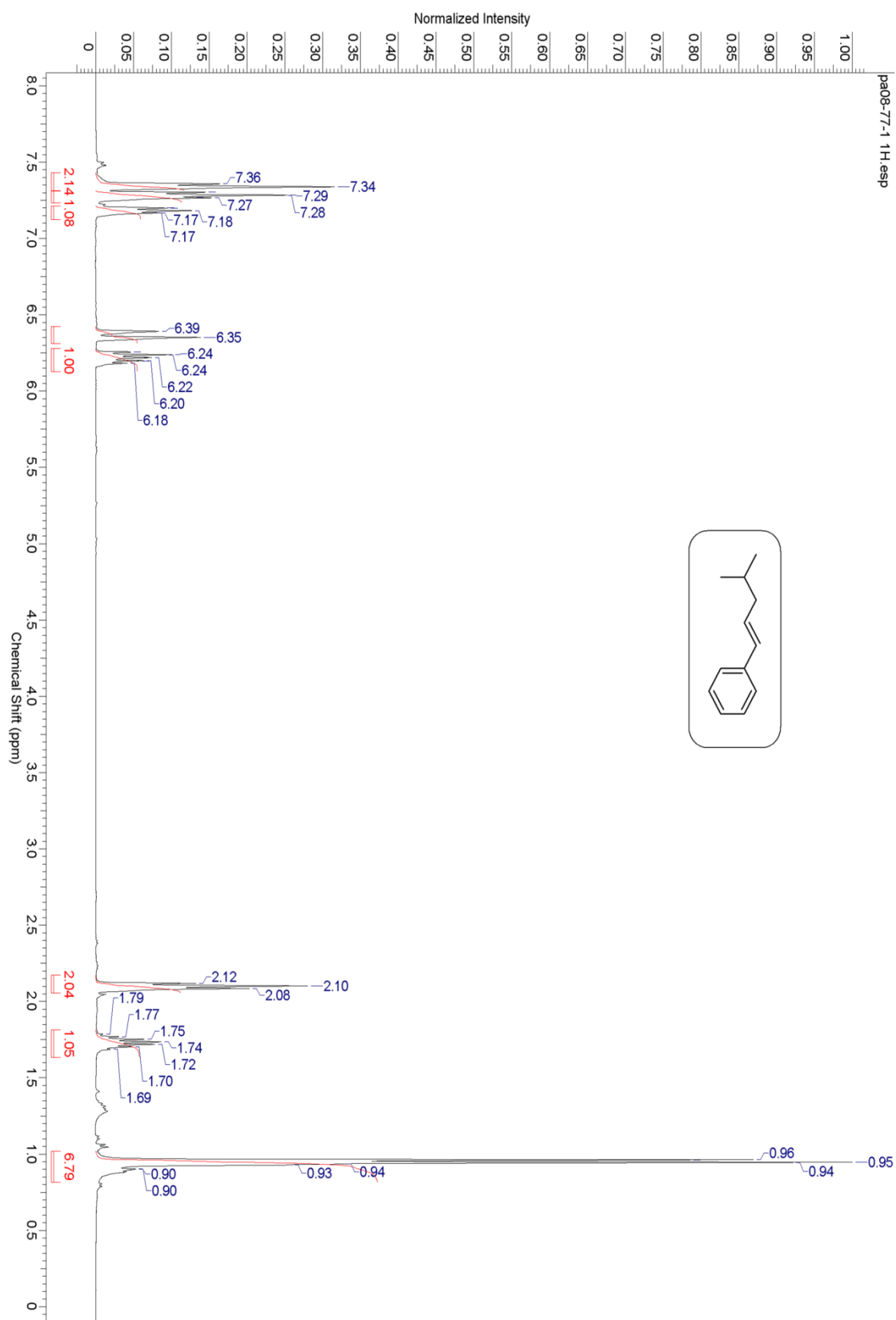


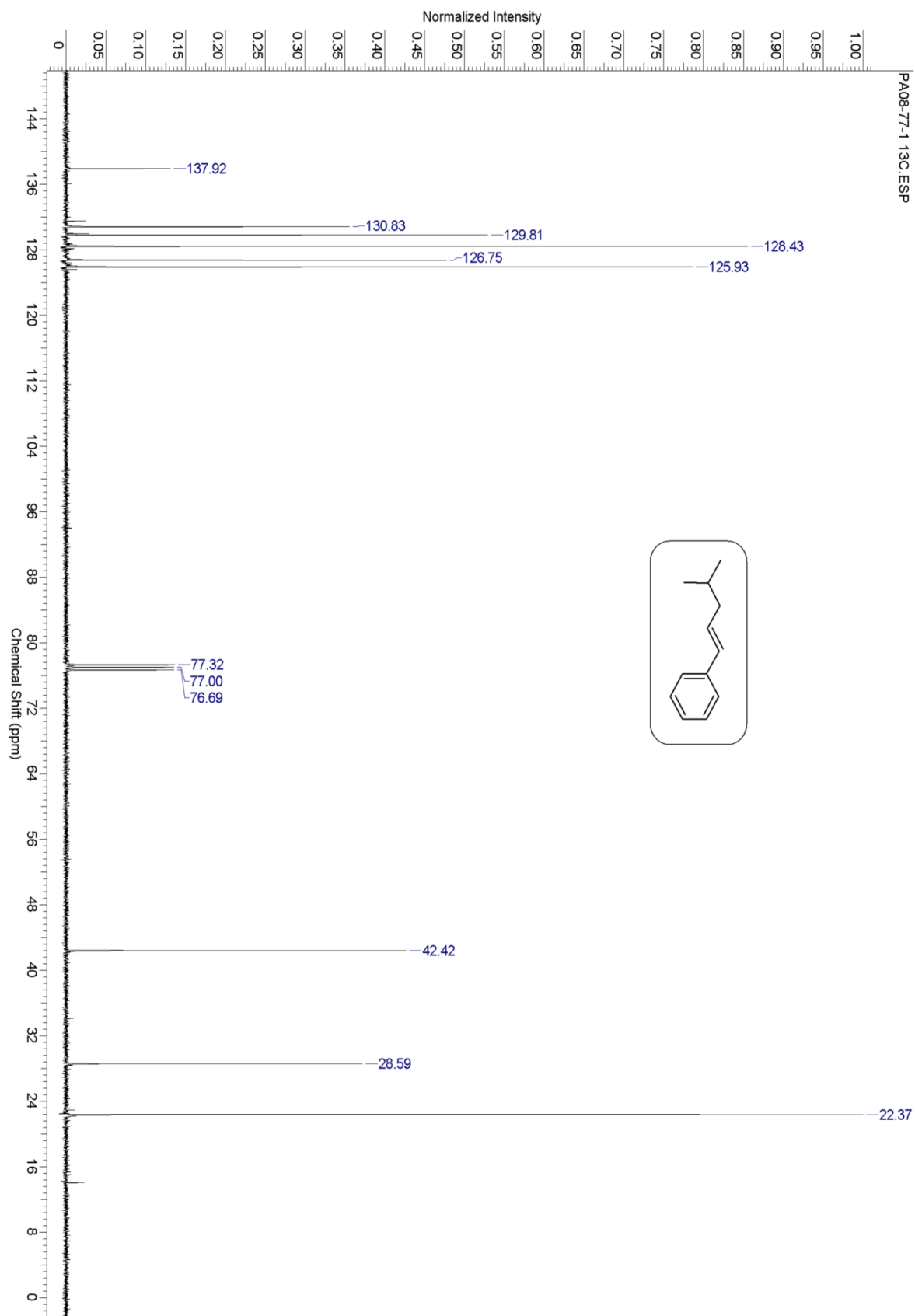
(E)-(Dec-1-en-1-yl)benzene, 3



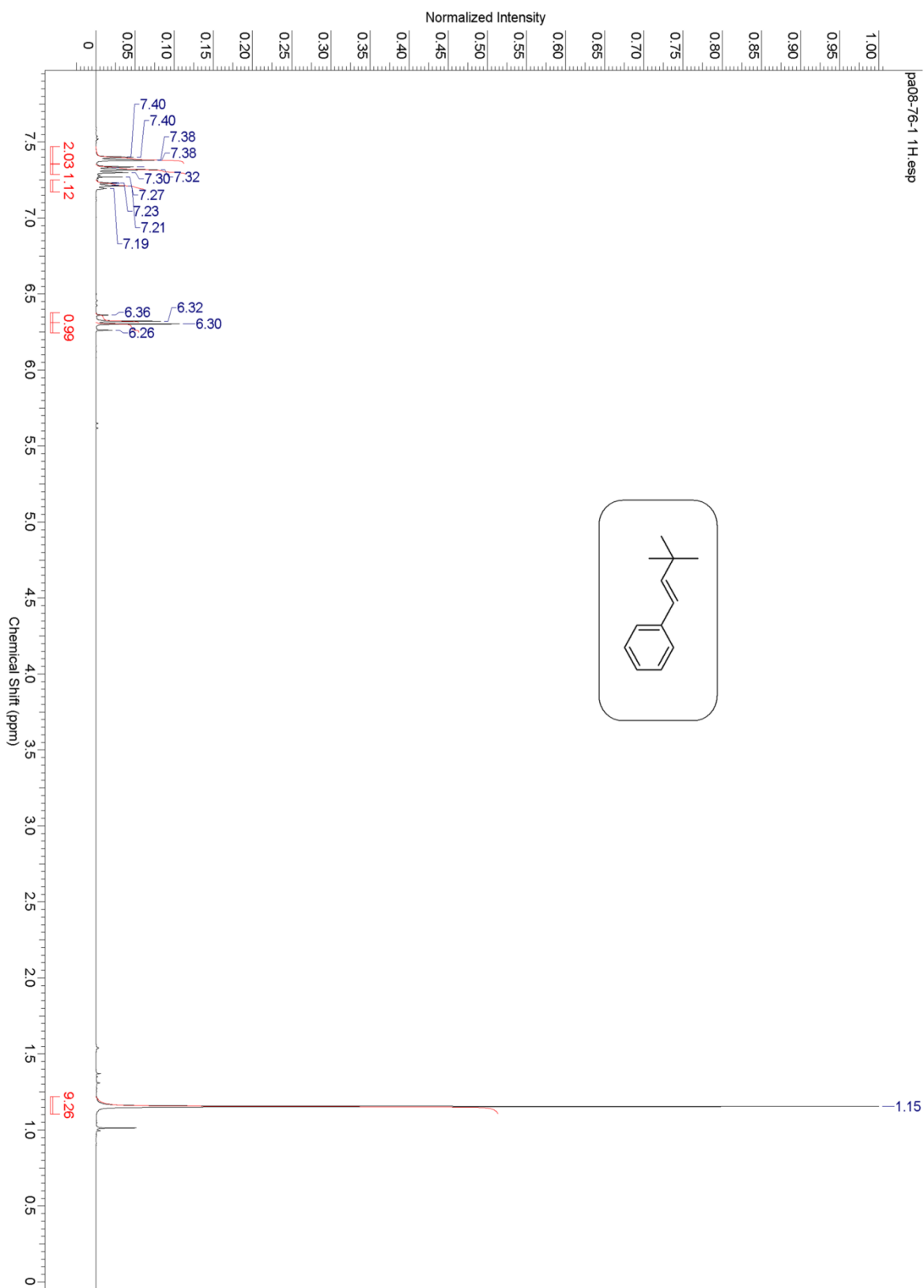


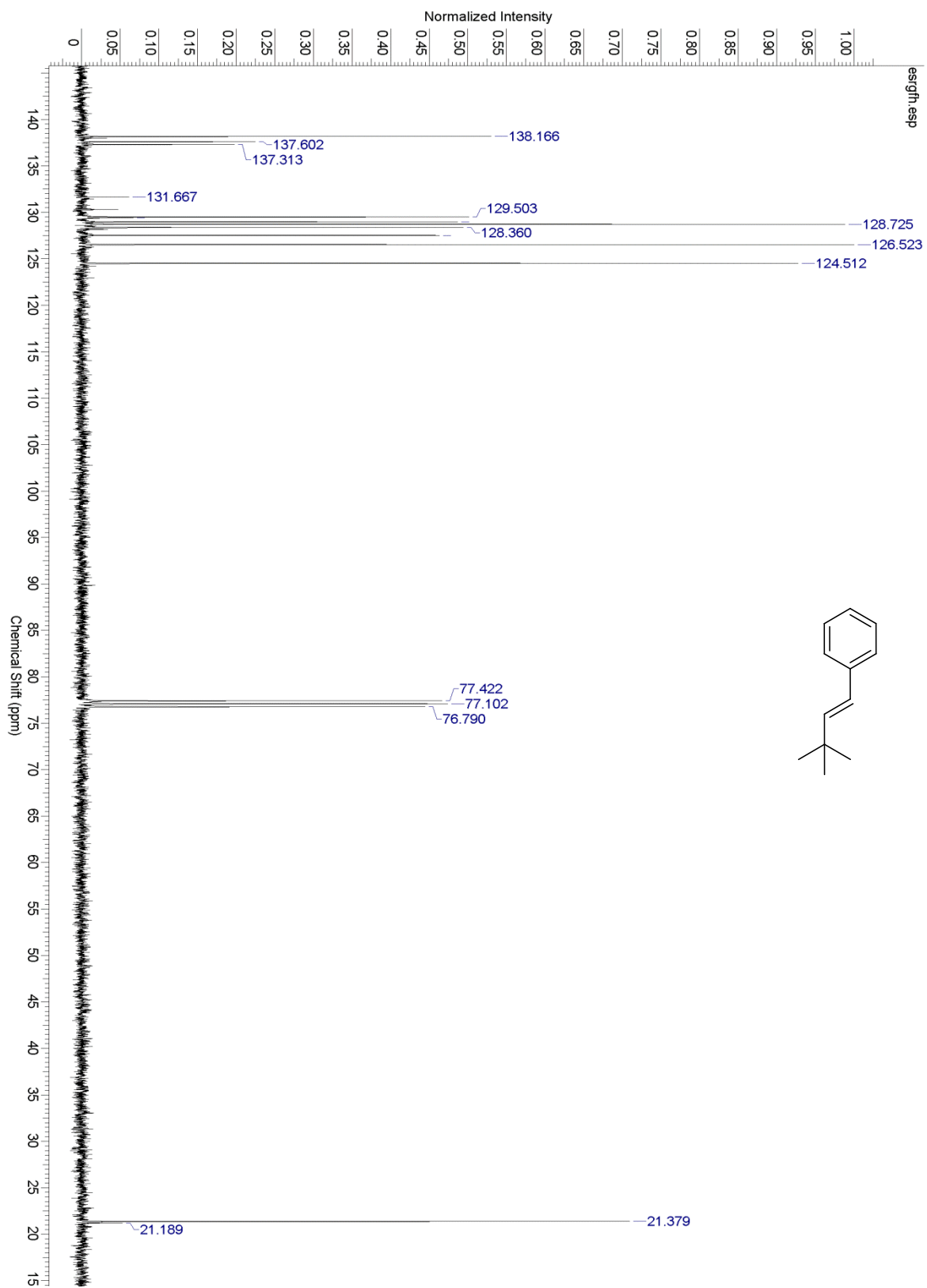
(E)-4-methyl-1-phenylpent-1-ene, 4



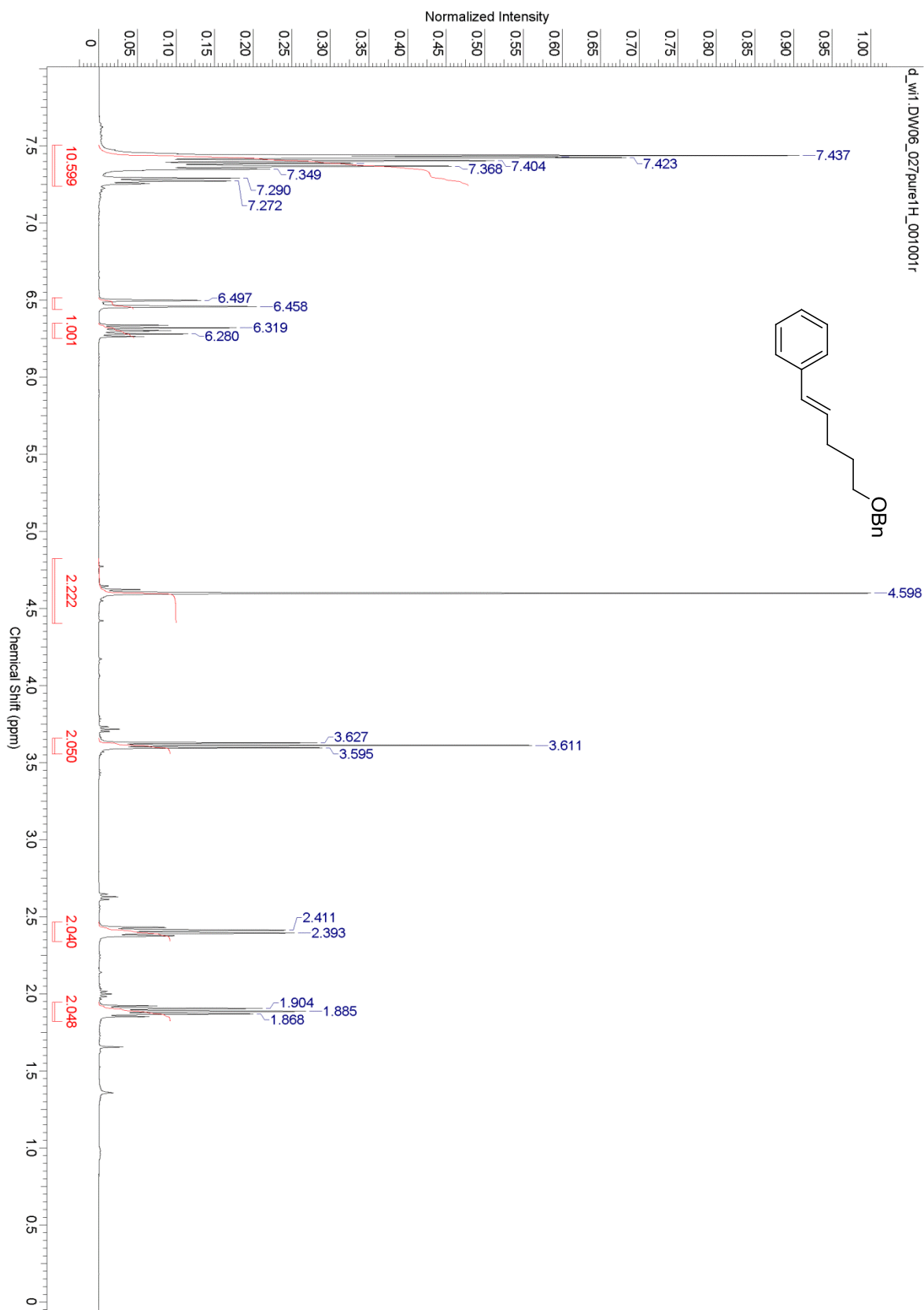


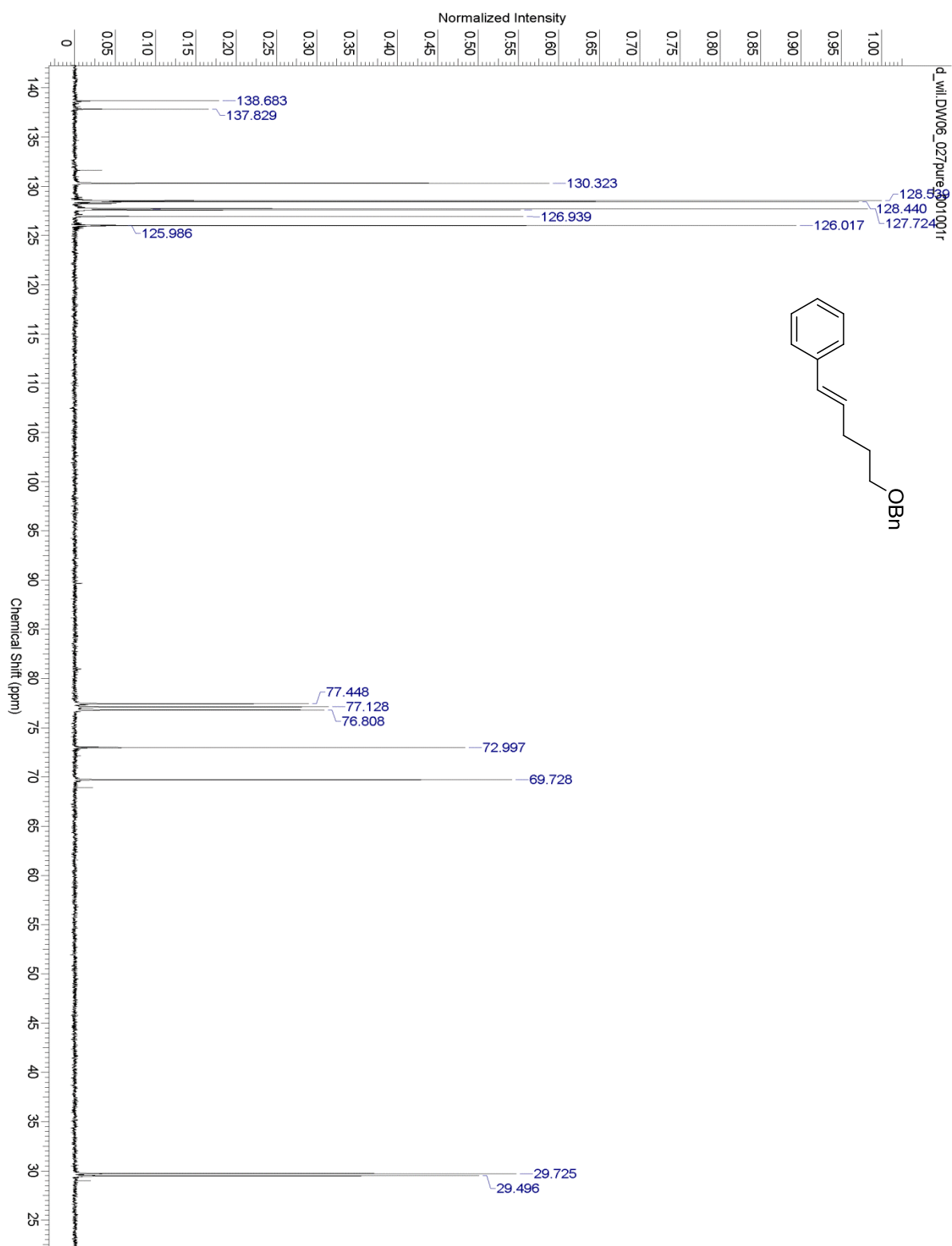
(E)-3,3-dimethyl-1-phenylbut-1-ene, 5



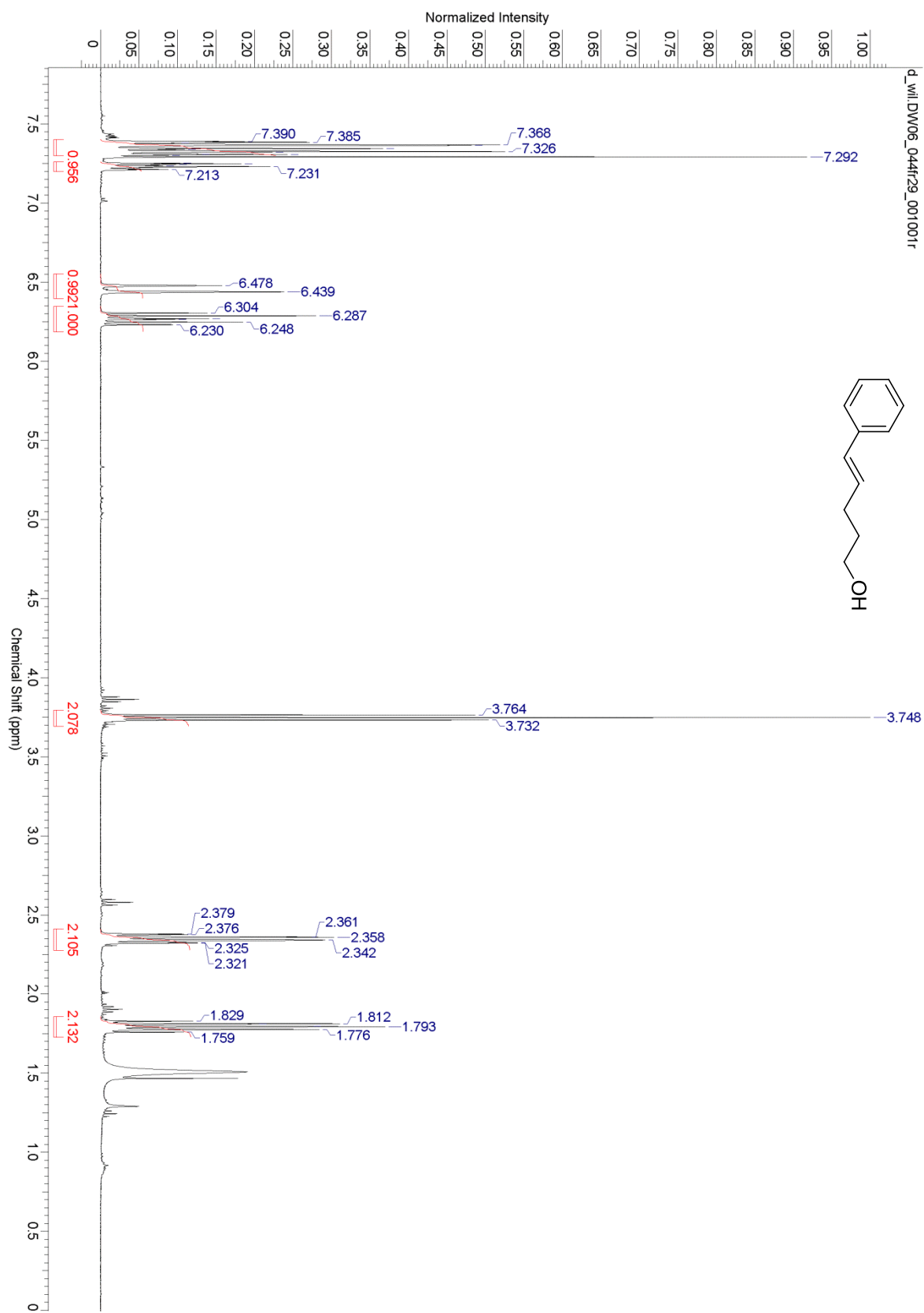


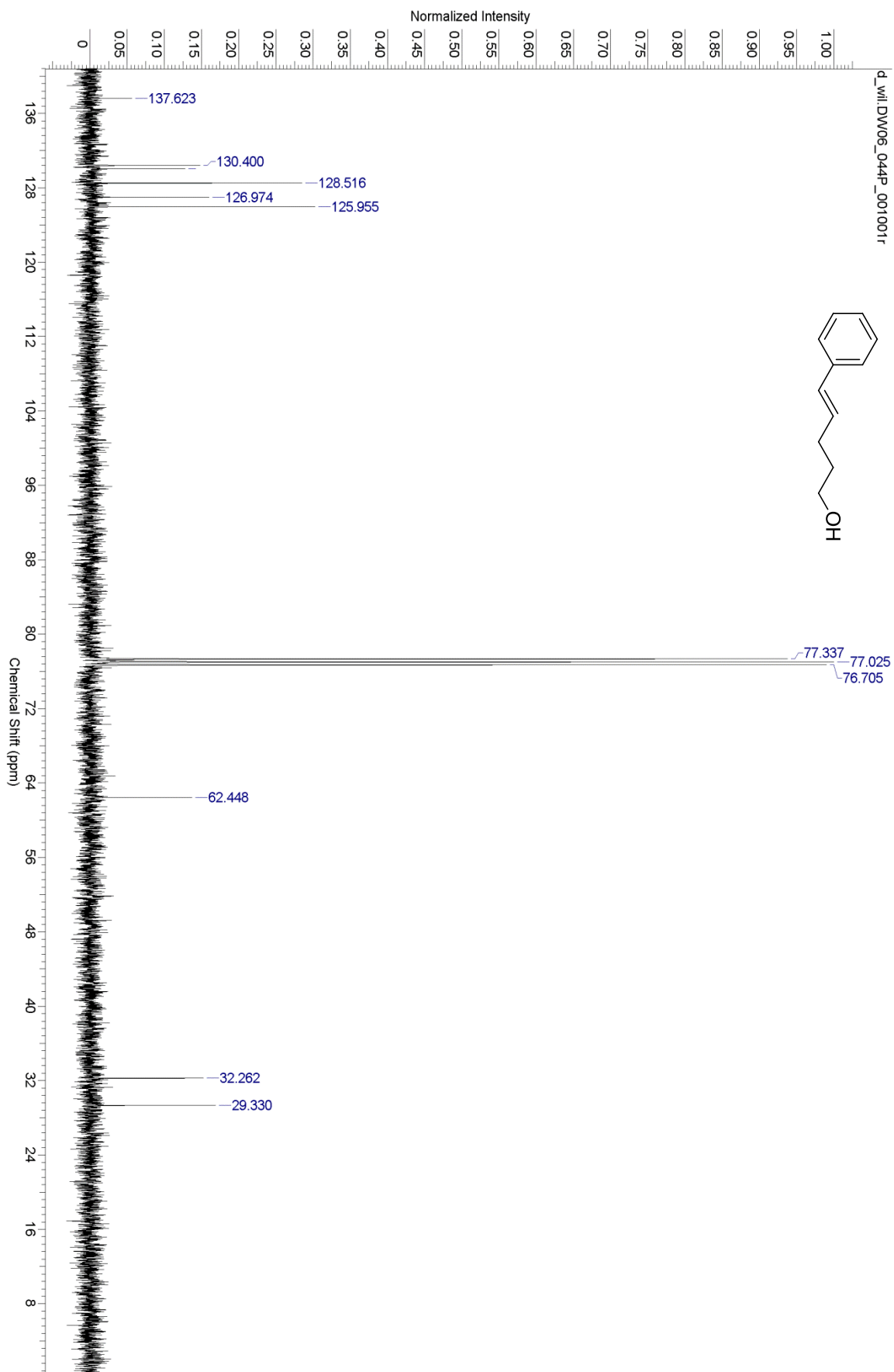
(E)-(5-(benzyloxy)pent-1-en-1-yl)benzene, 6



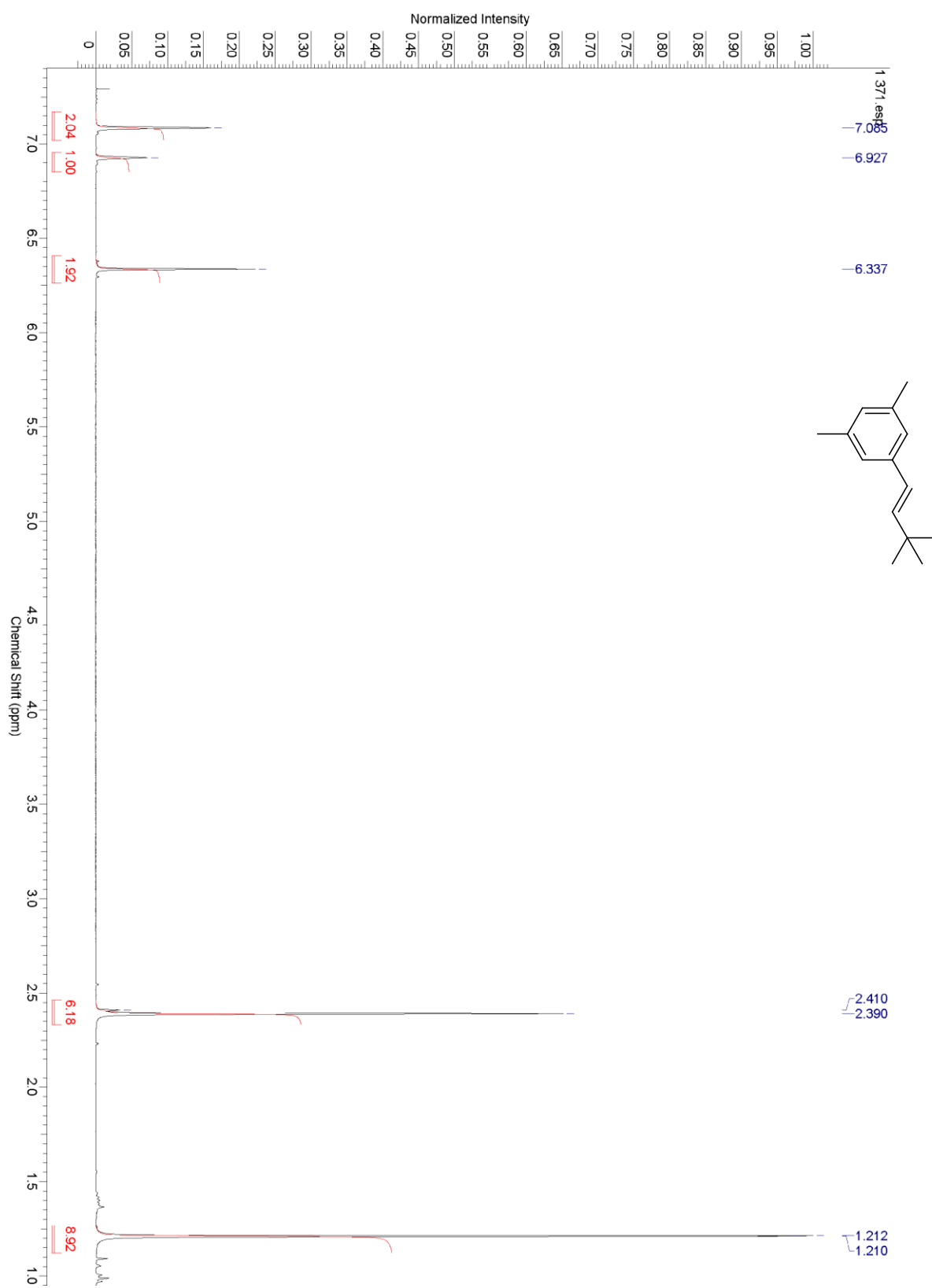


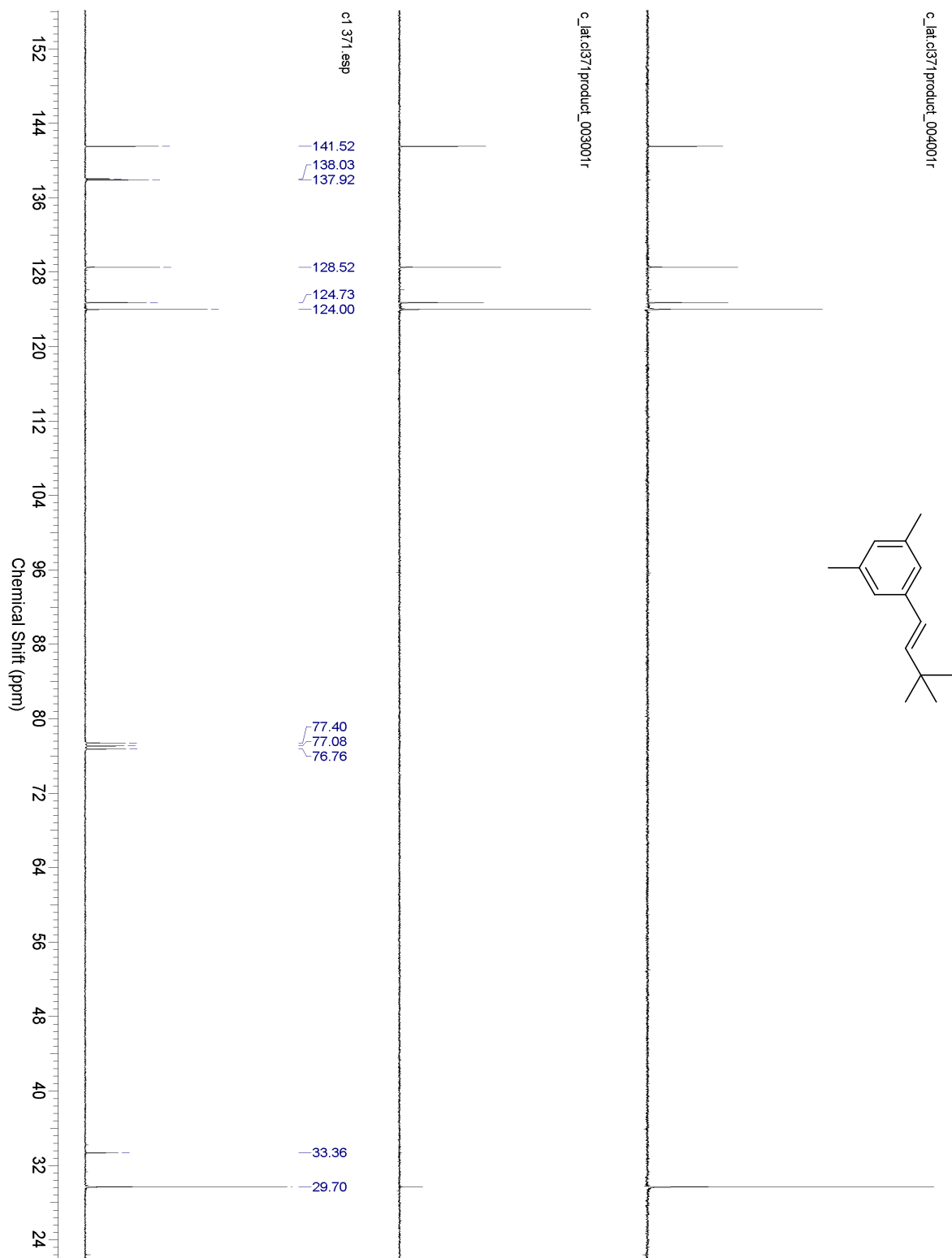
(E)-5-phenylpent-4-en-1-ol, 7



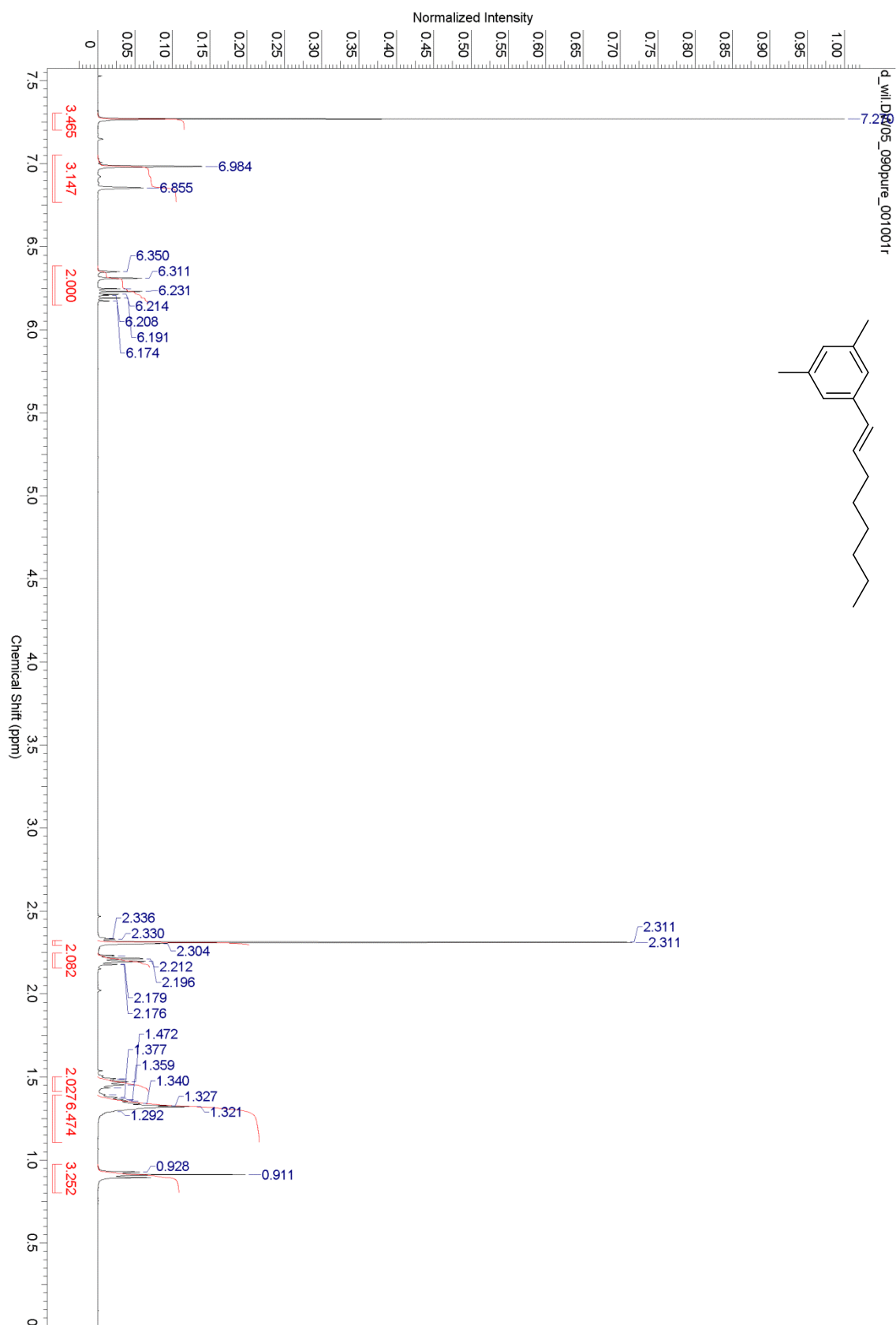


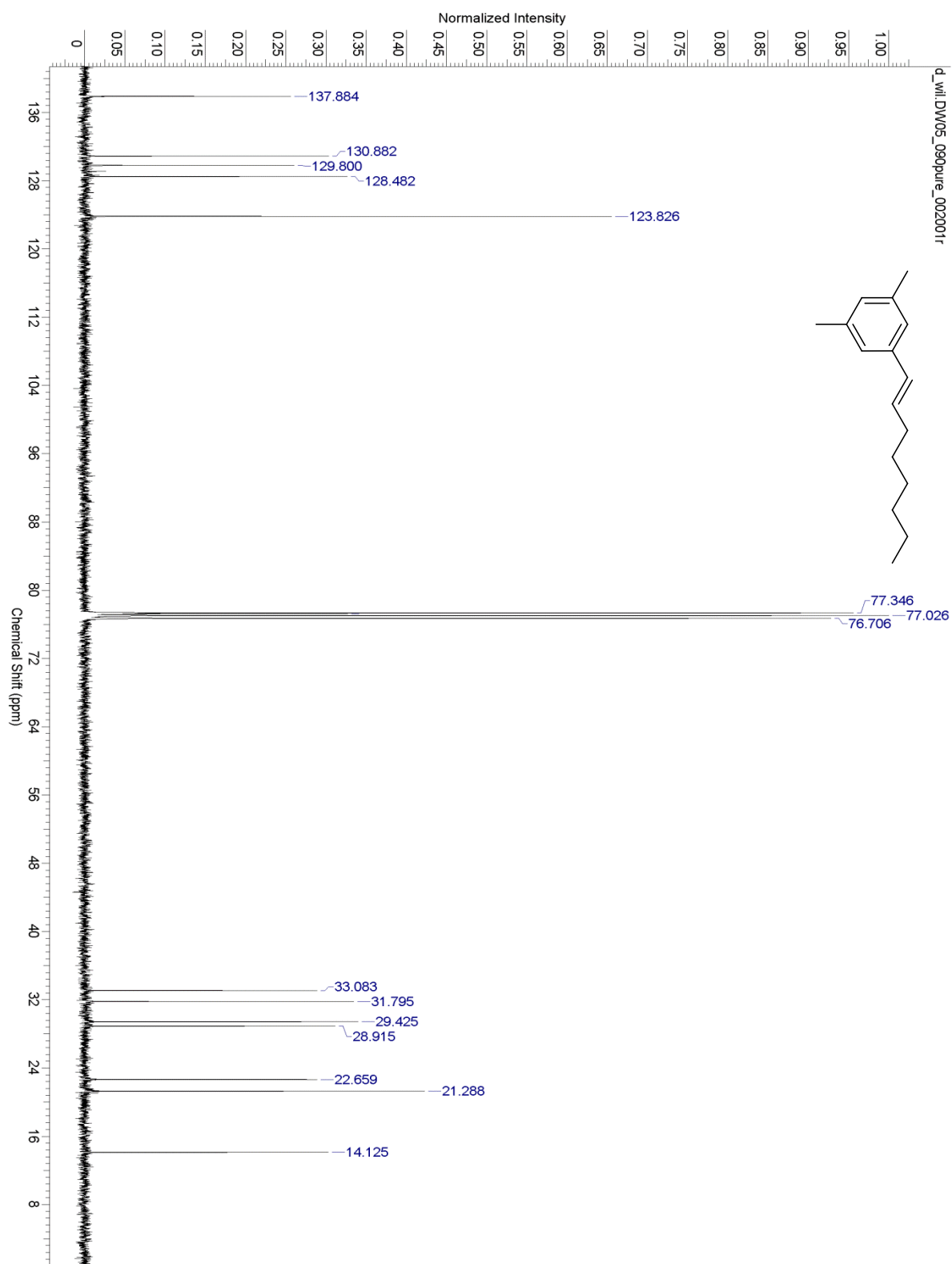
(E)-1-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-en-1-yl)-3,5-dimethylbenzene, 8



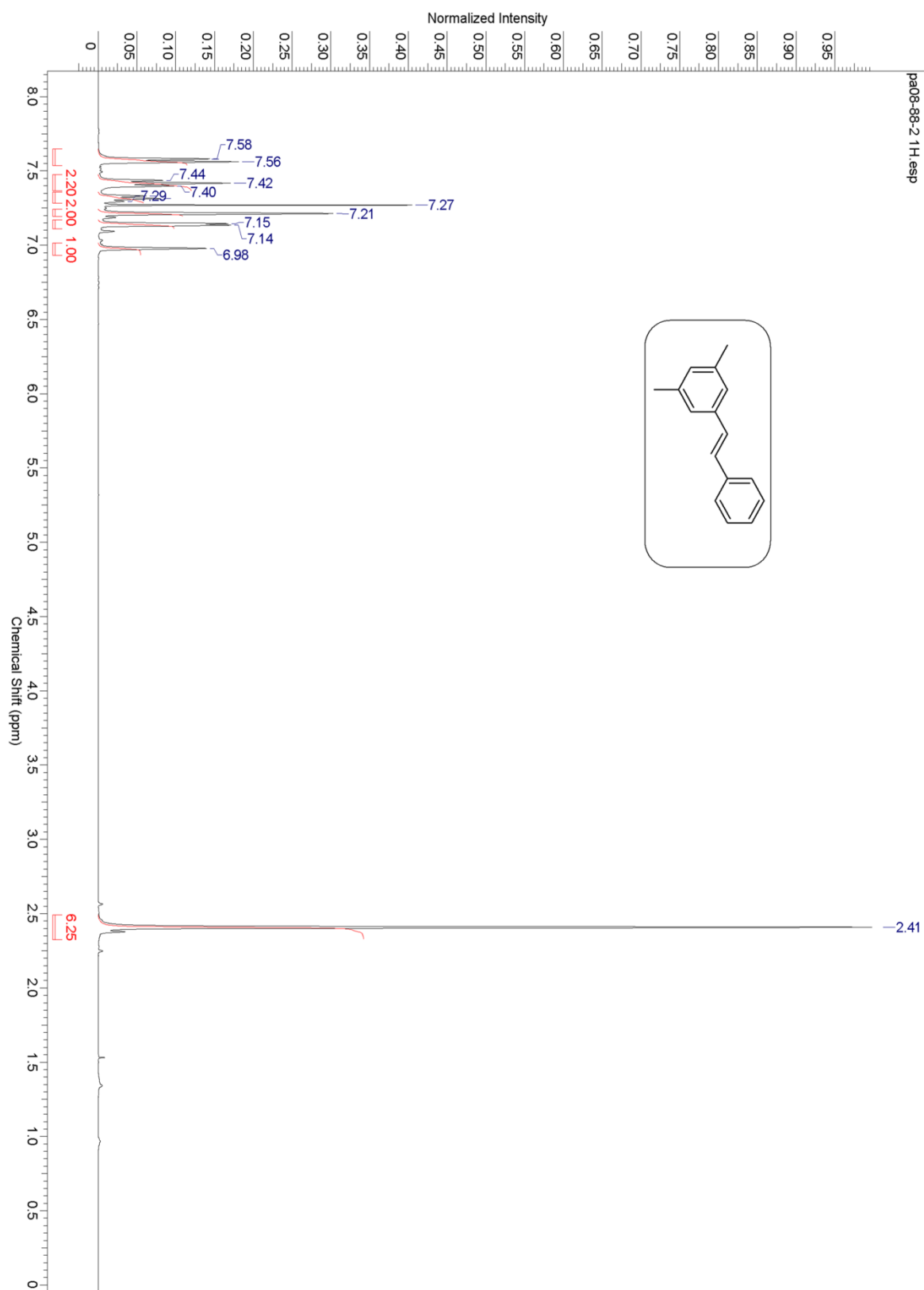


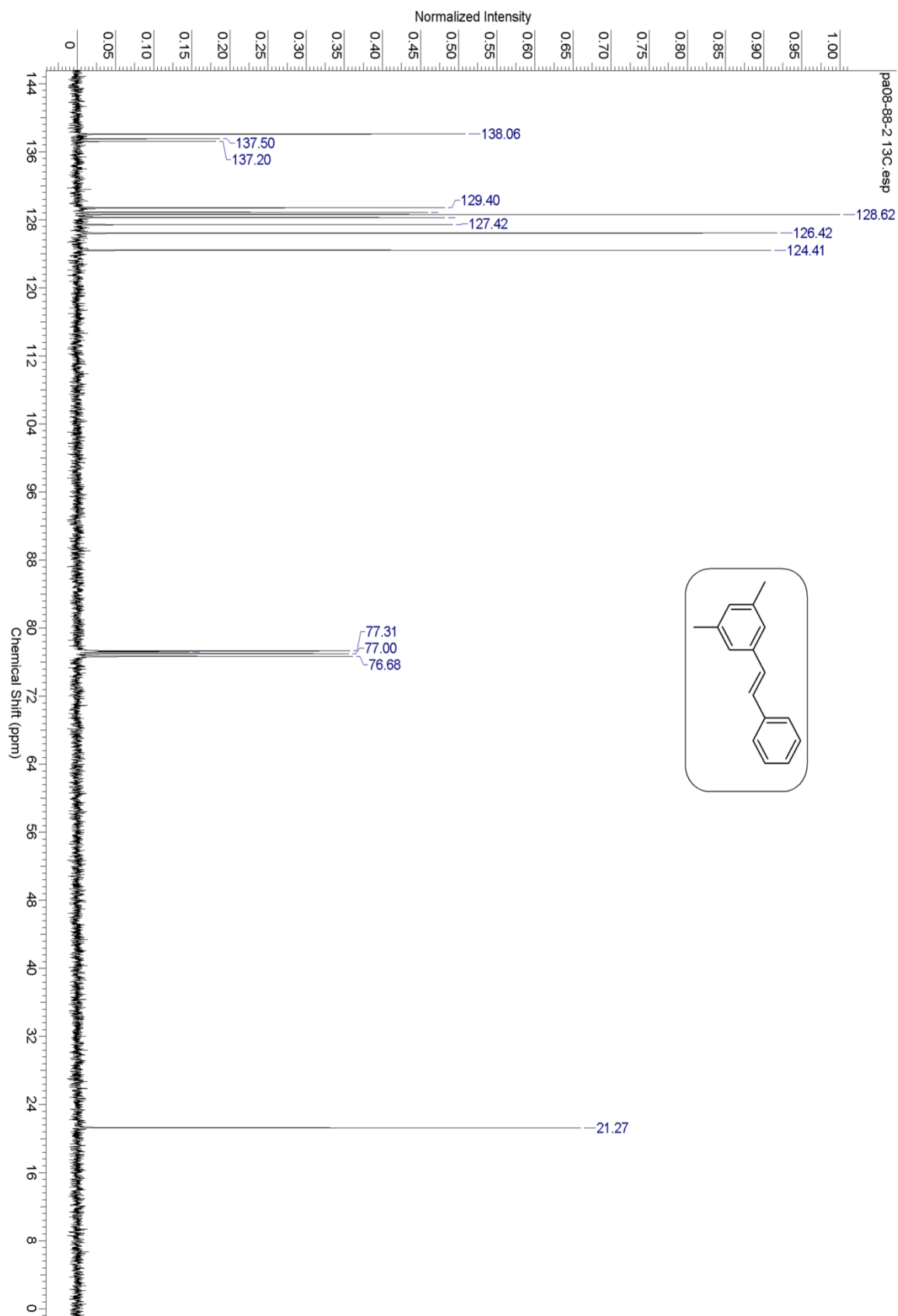
(E)-1,3-dimethyl-5-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzene, 9



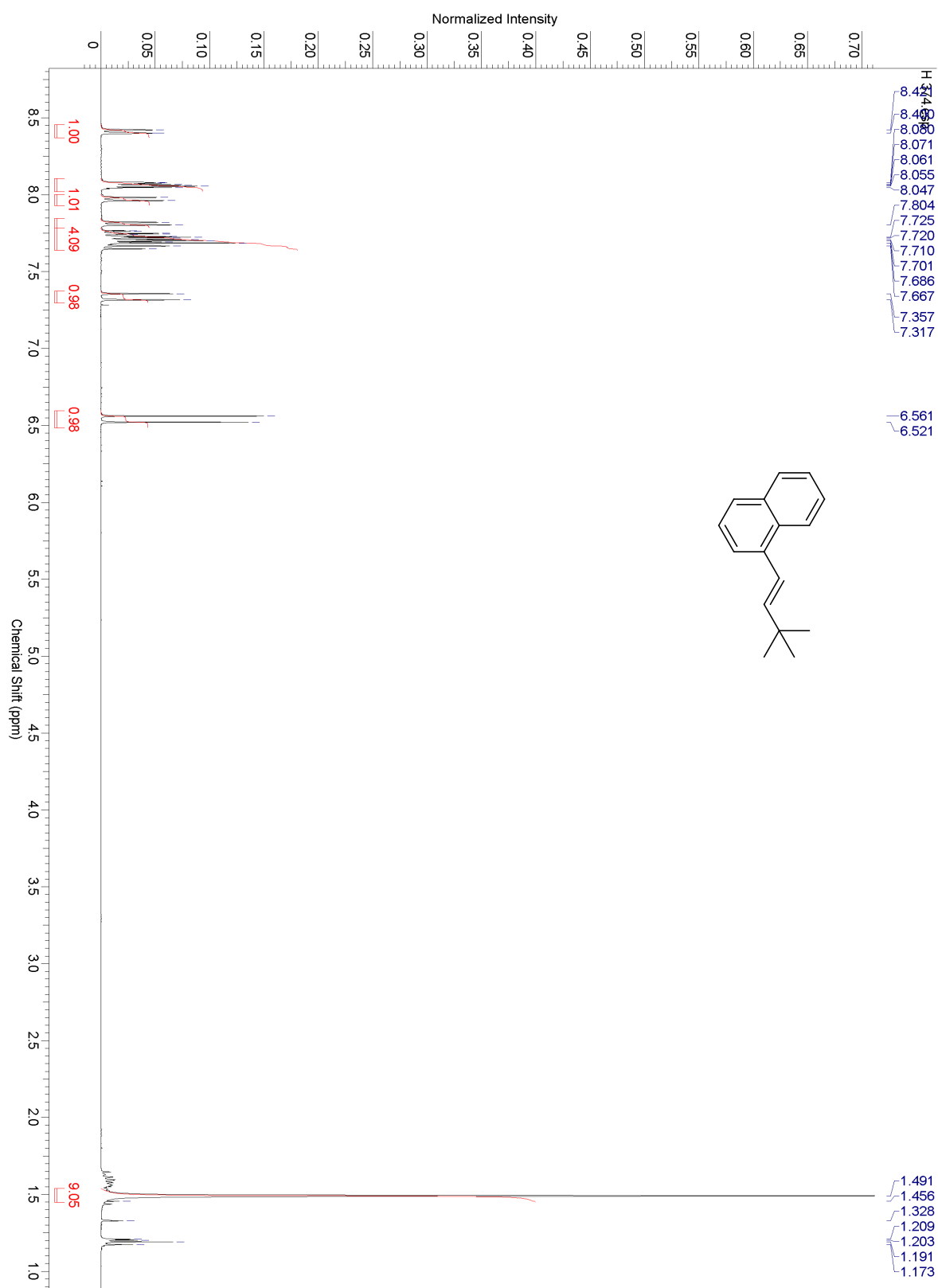


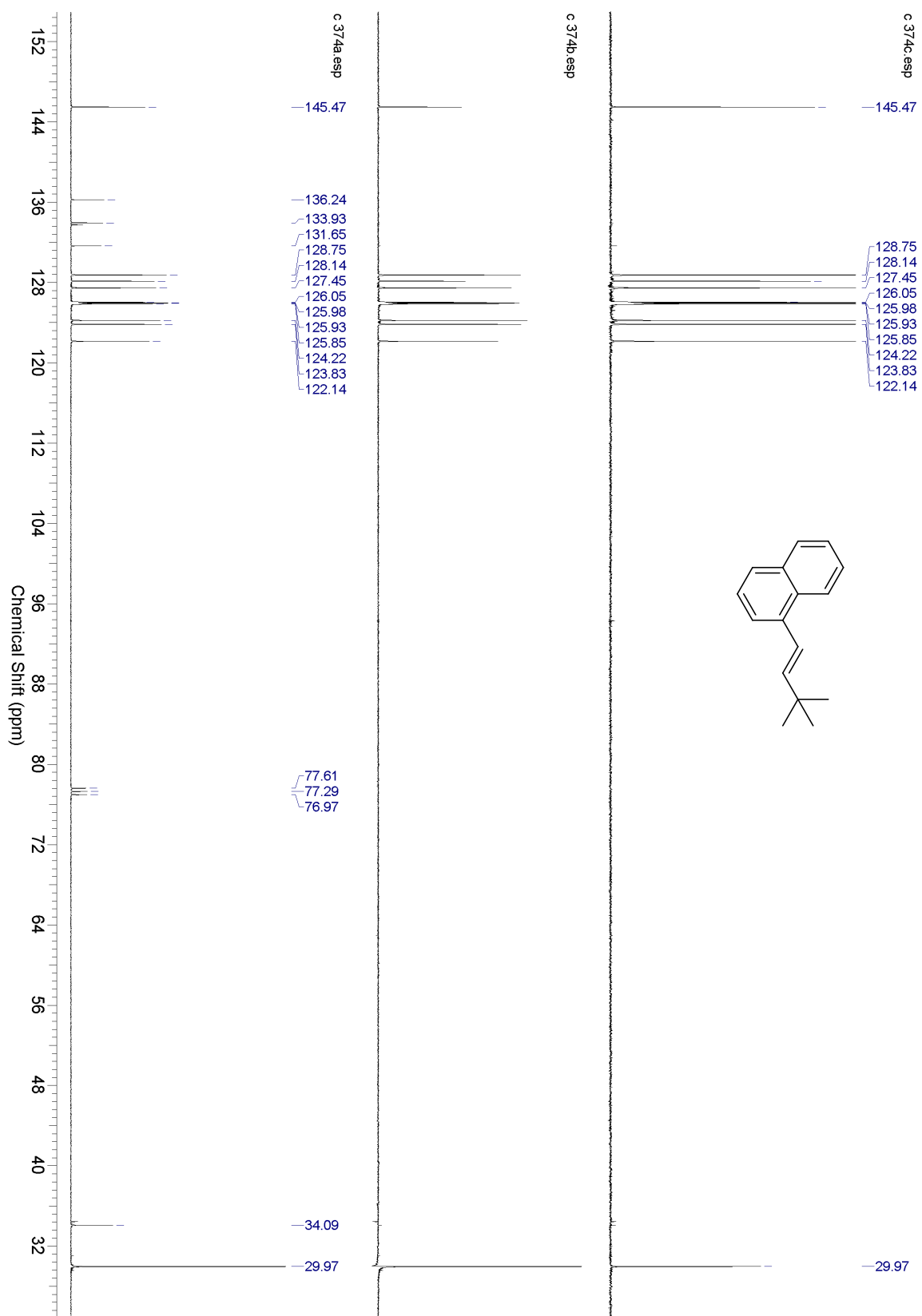
(E)-1,3-dimethyl-5-styrylbenzene, 10



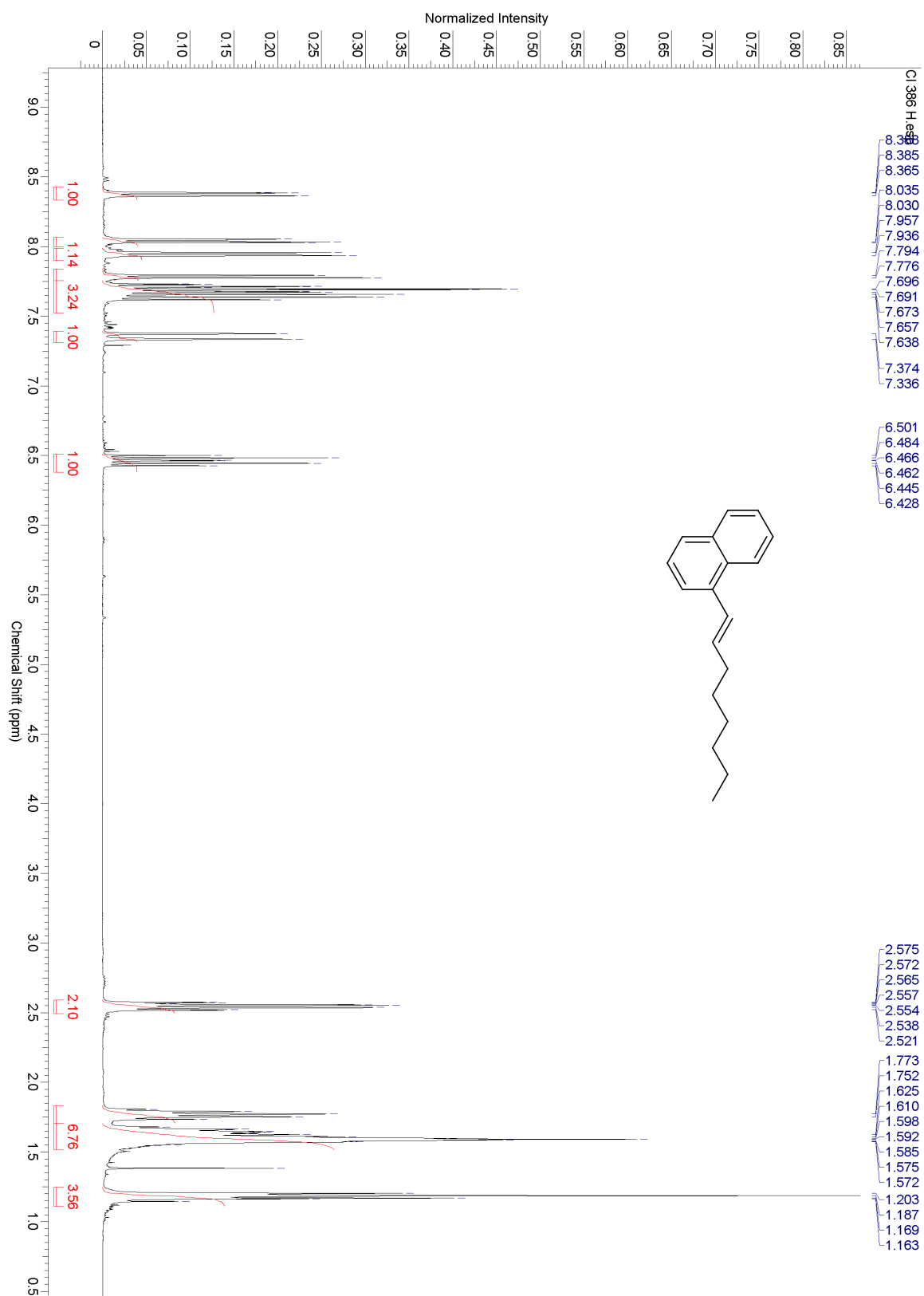


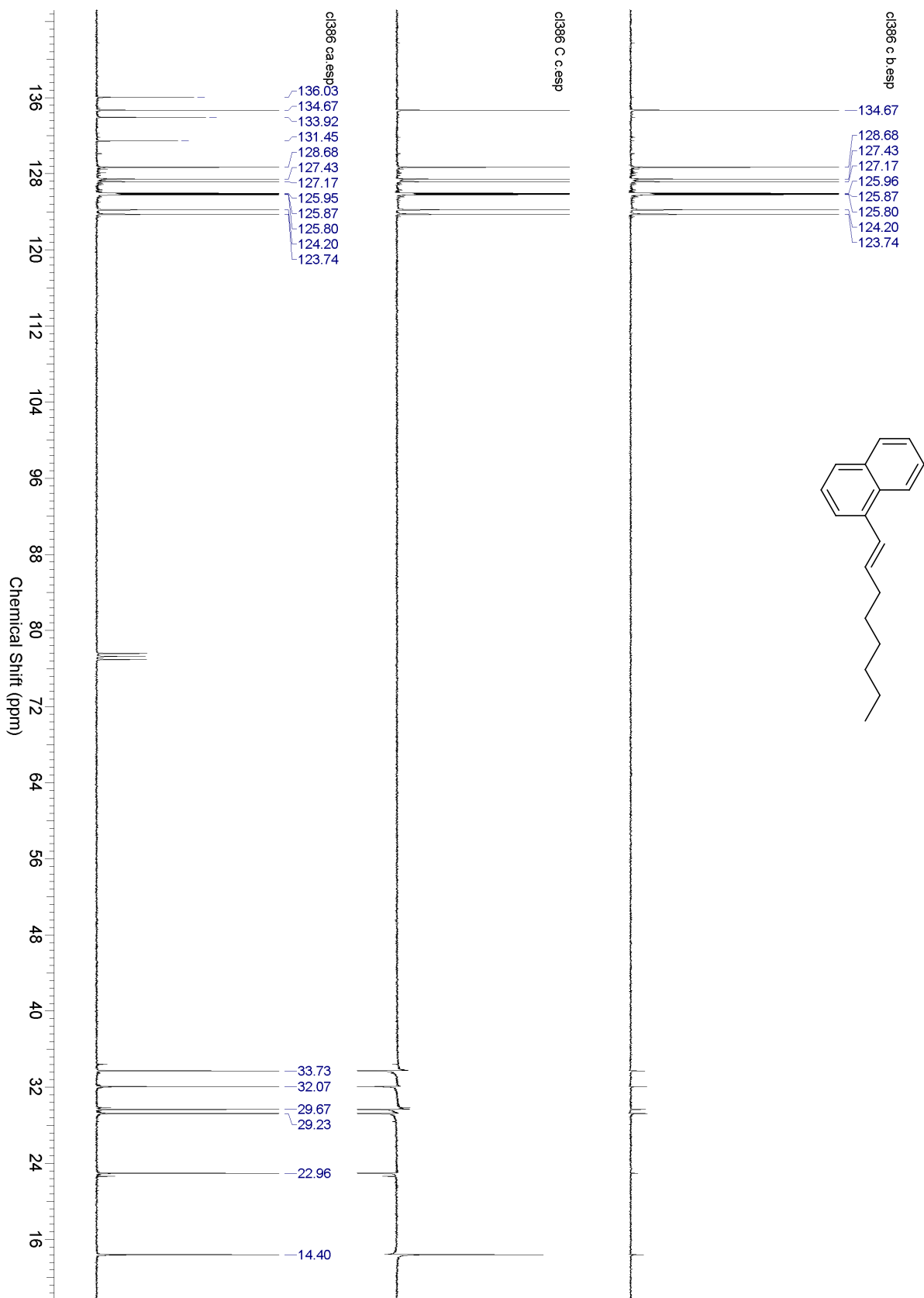
(E)-1-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-en-1-yl)naphthalene, 11



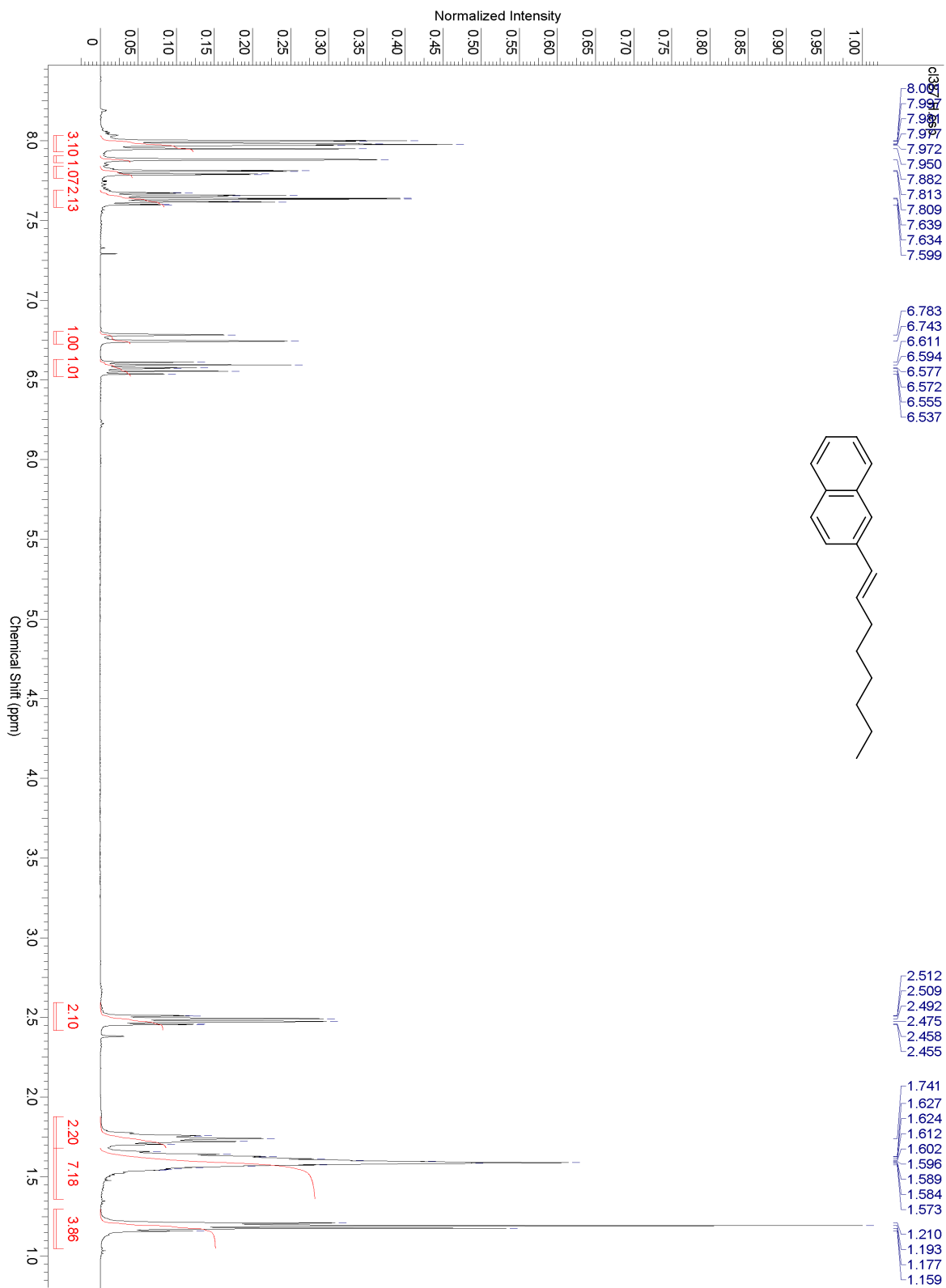


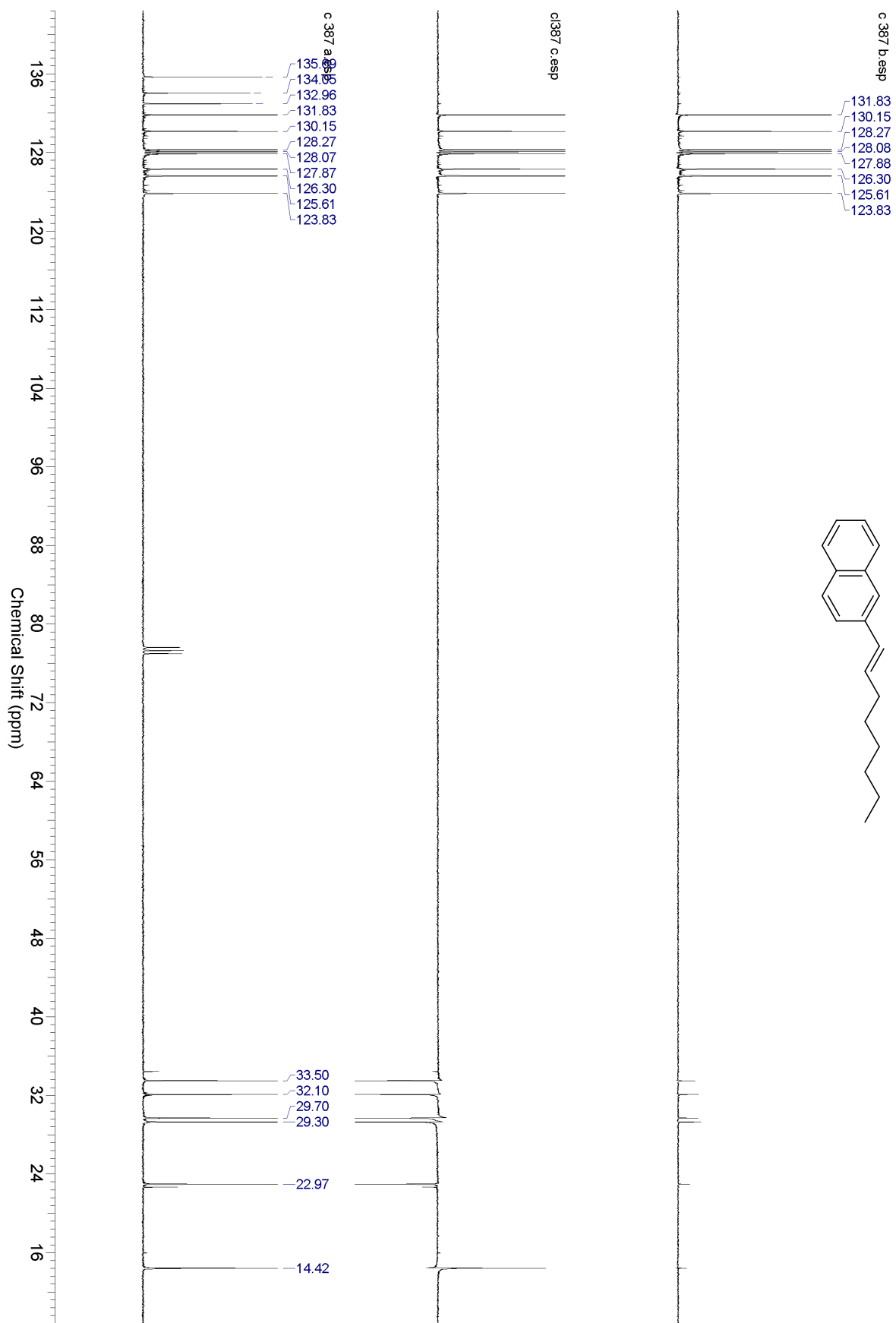
(E)-1-(oct-1-en-1-yl)naphthalene, 12



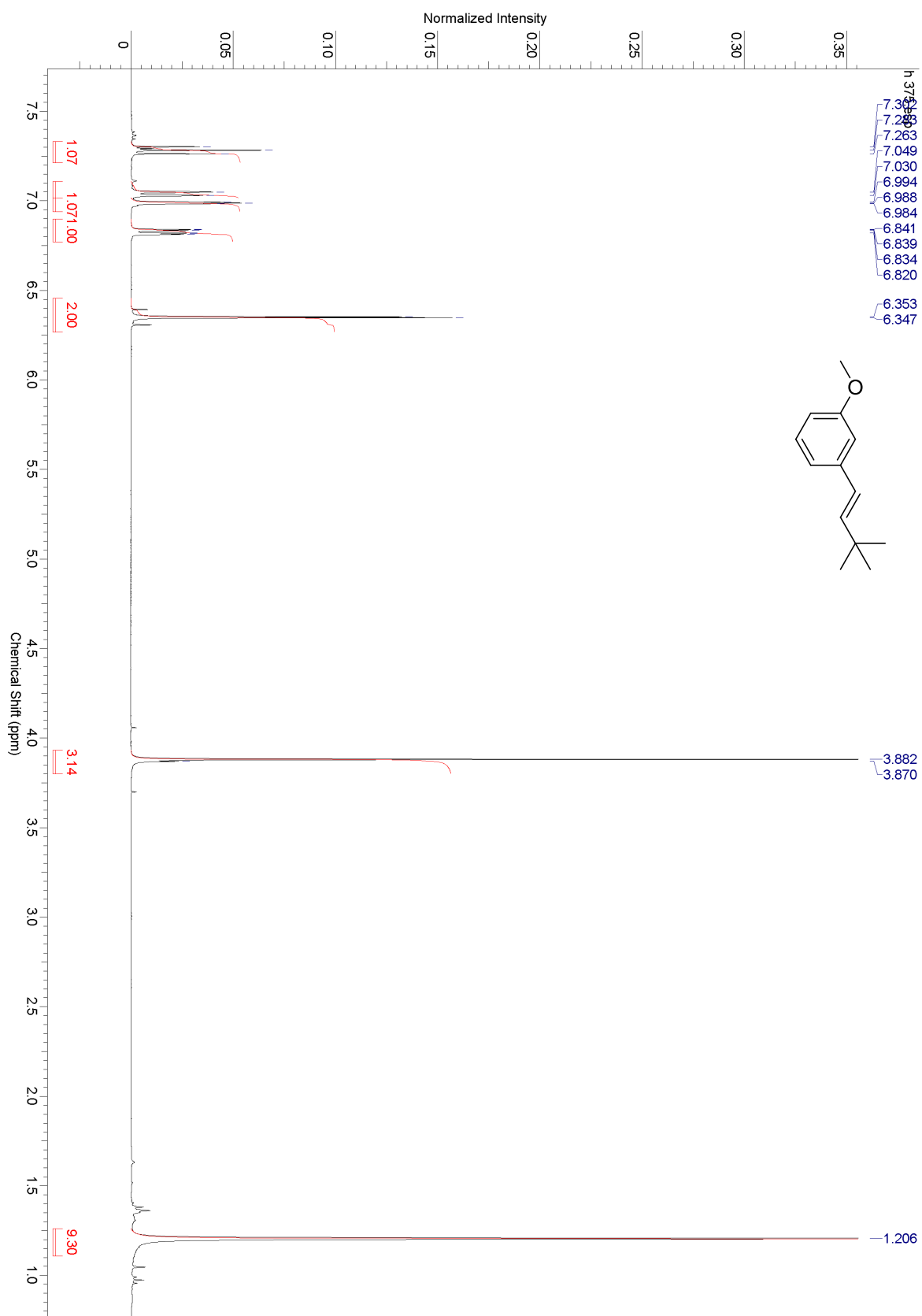


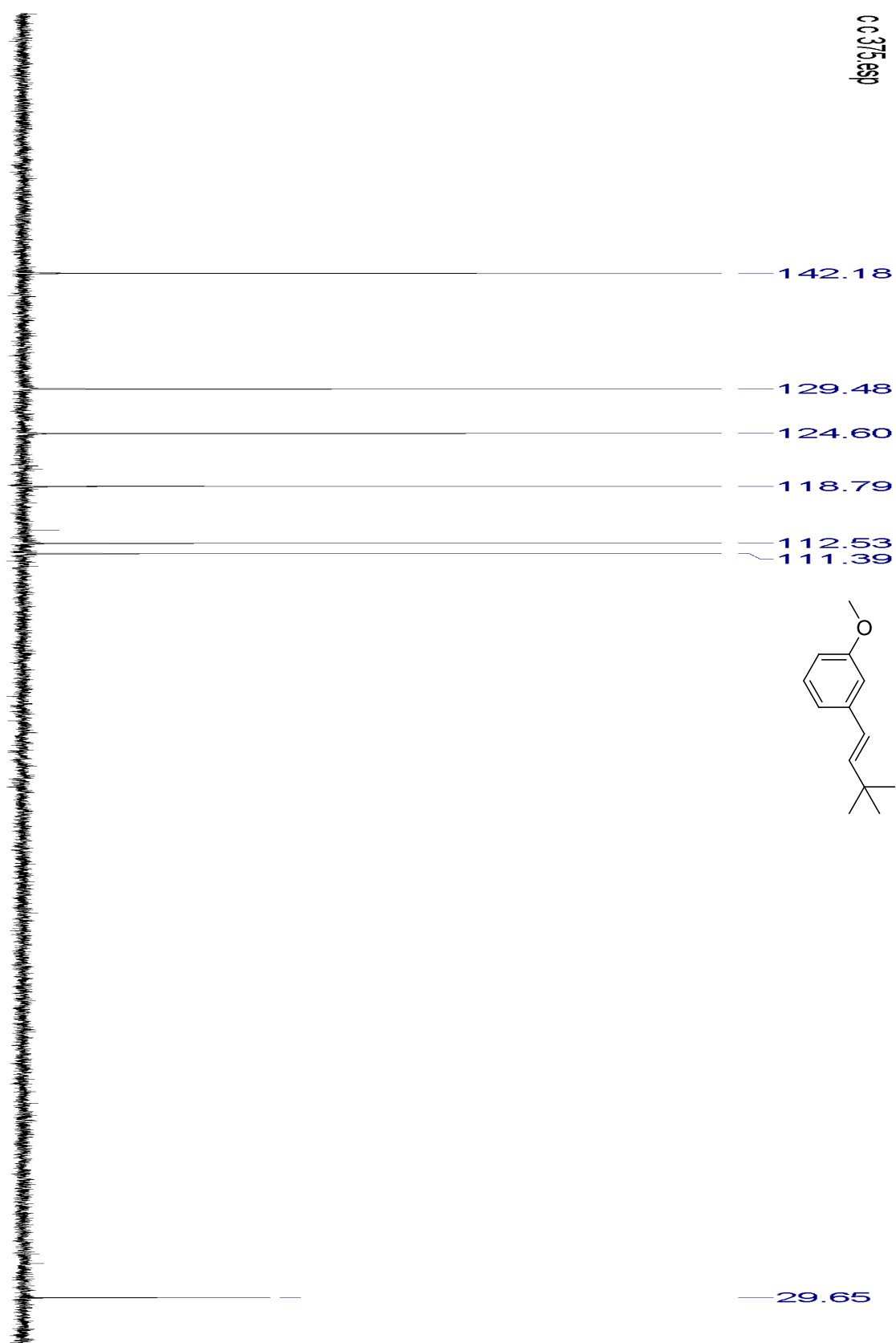
(E)-2-(oct-1-en-1-yl)naphthalene, 13



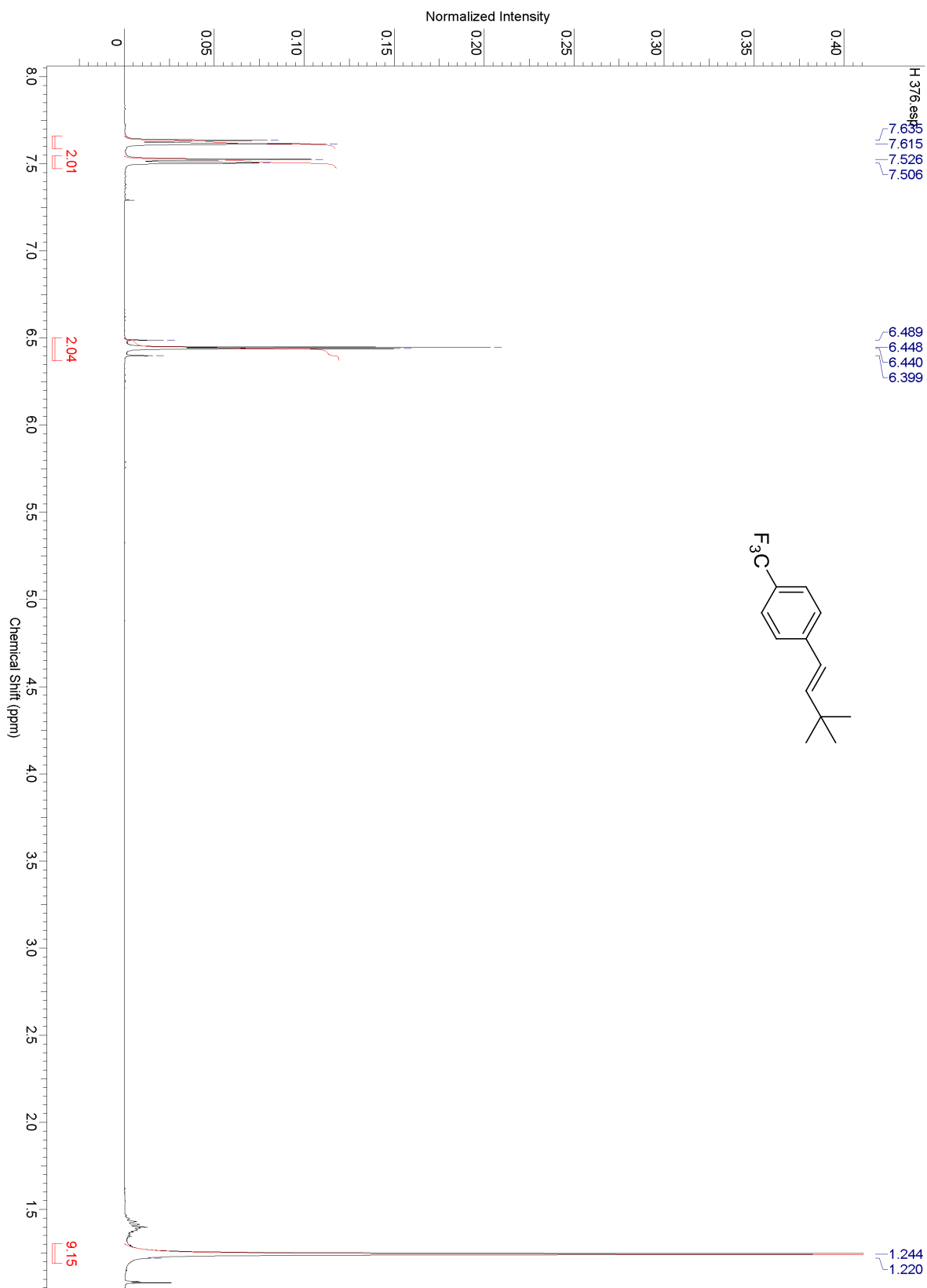


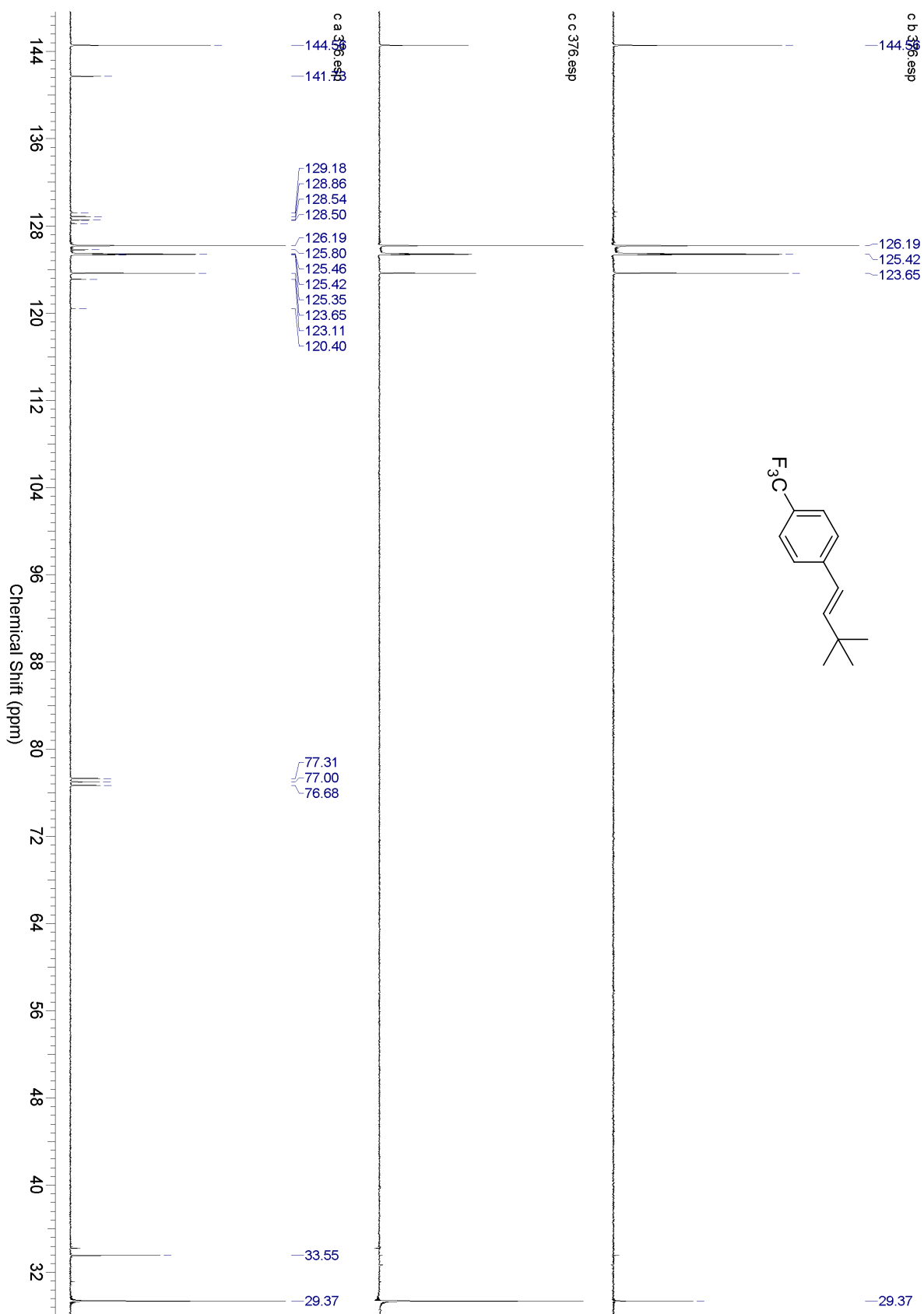
(E)-1-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-en-1-yl)-3-methoxybenzene, 14

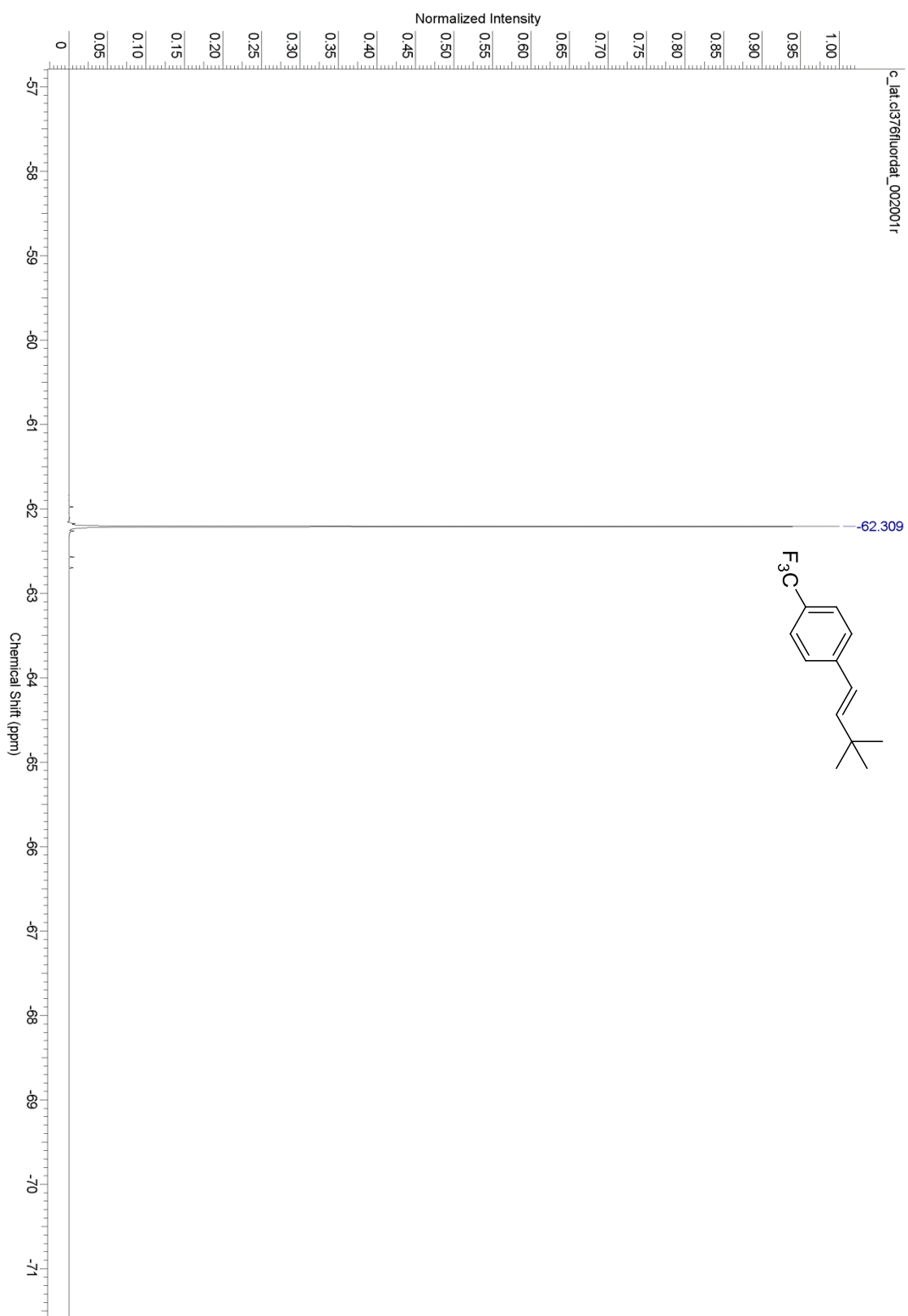




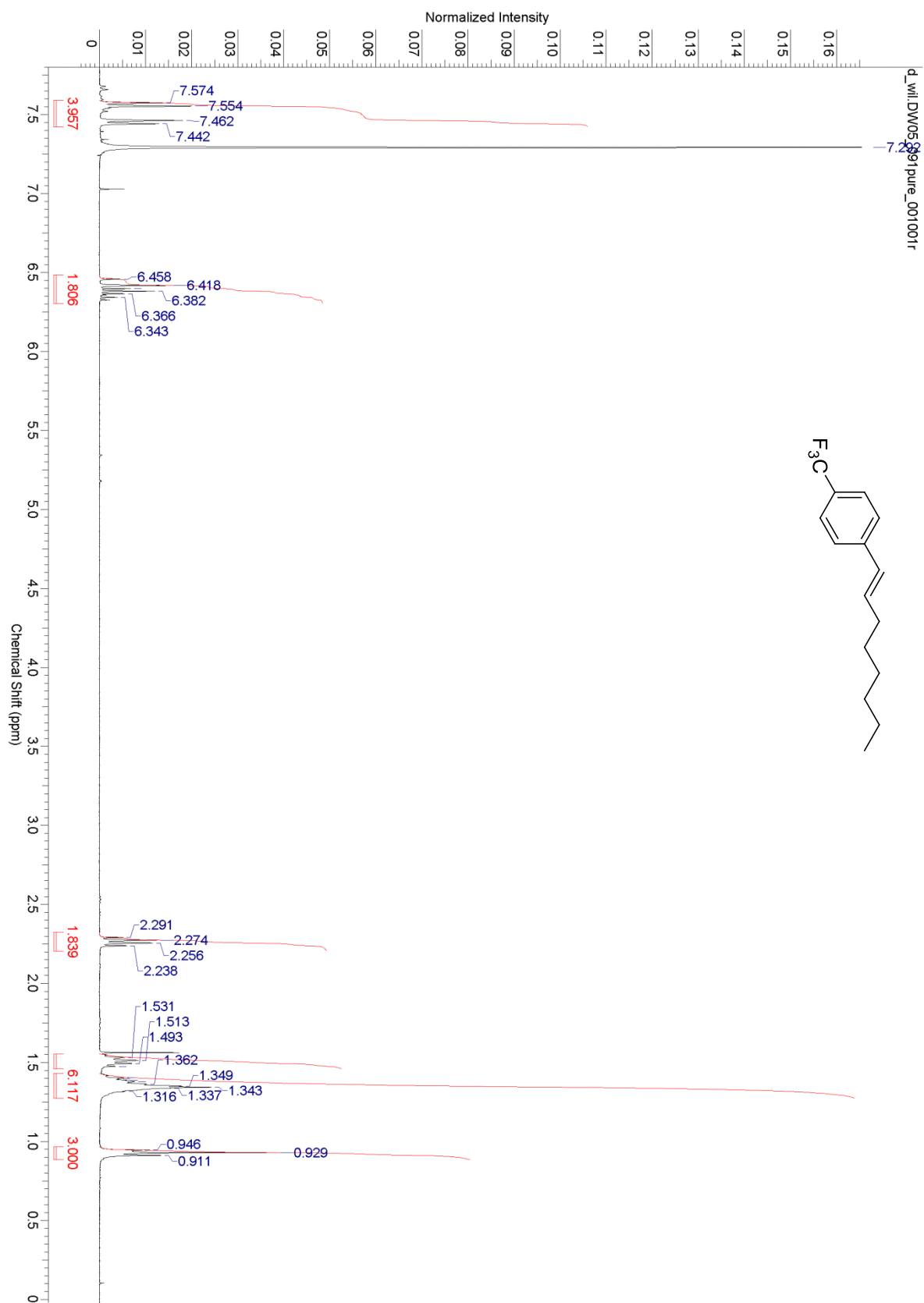
(E)-1-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-en-1-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene, 15

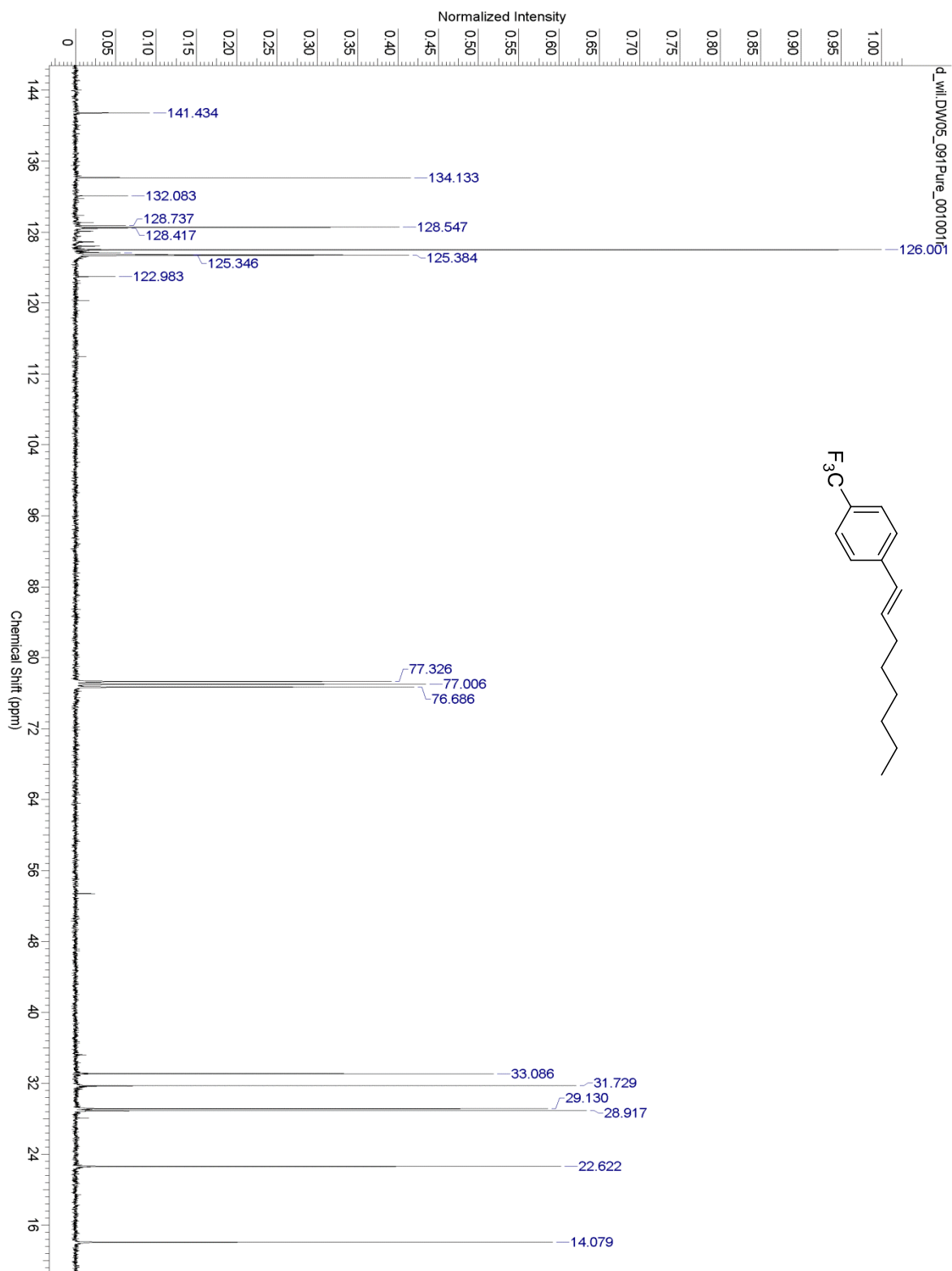


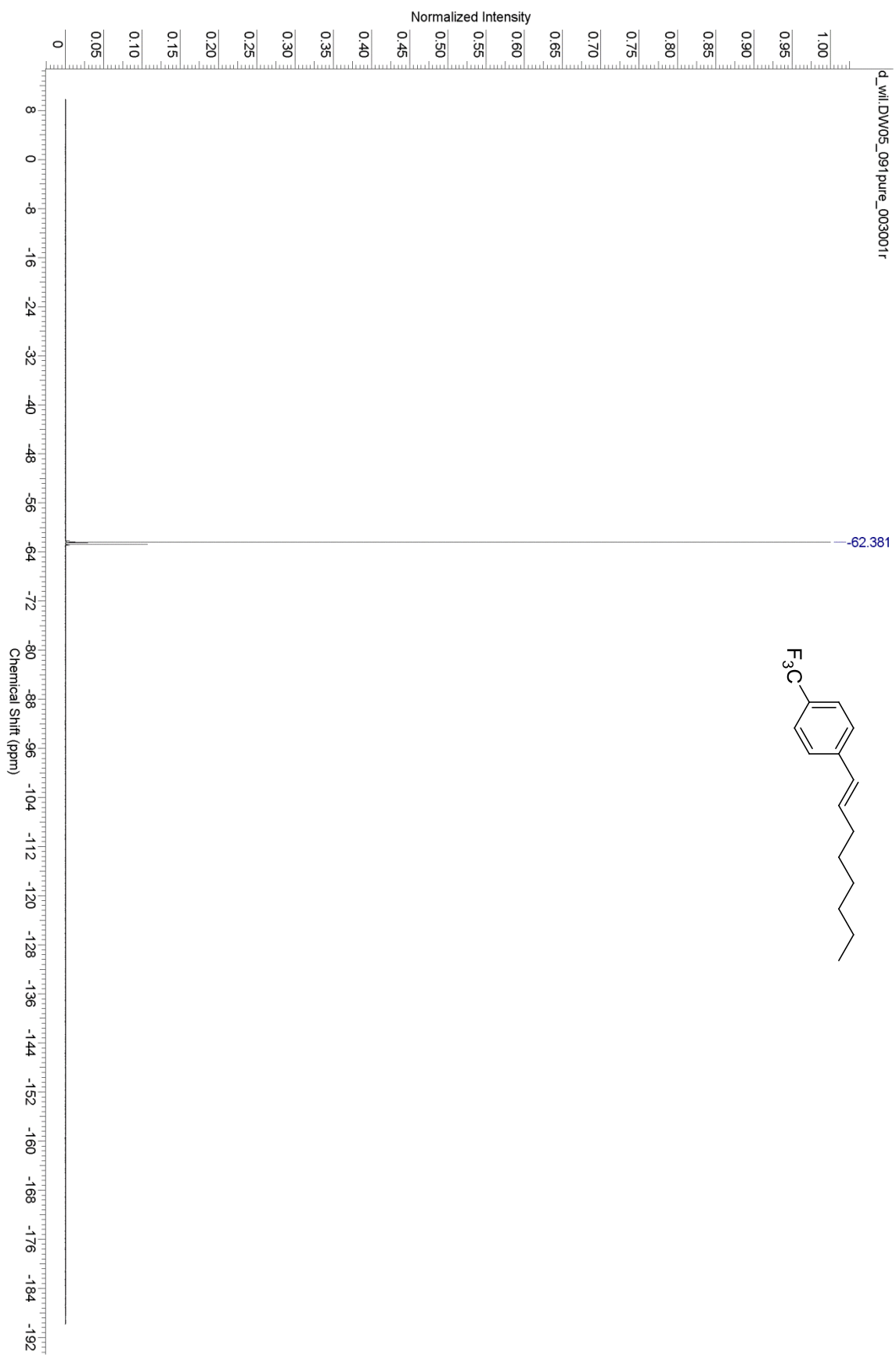




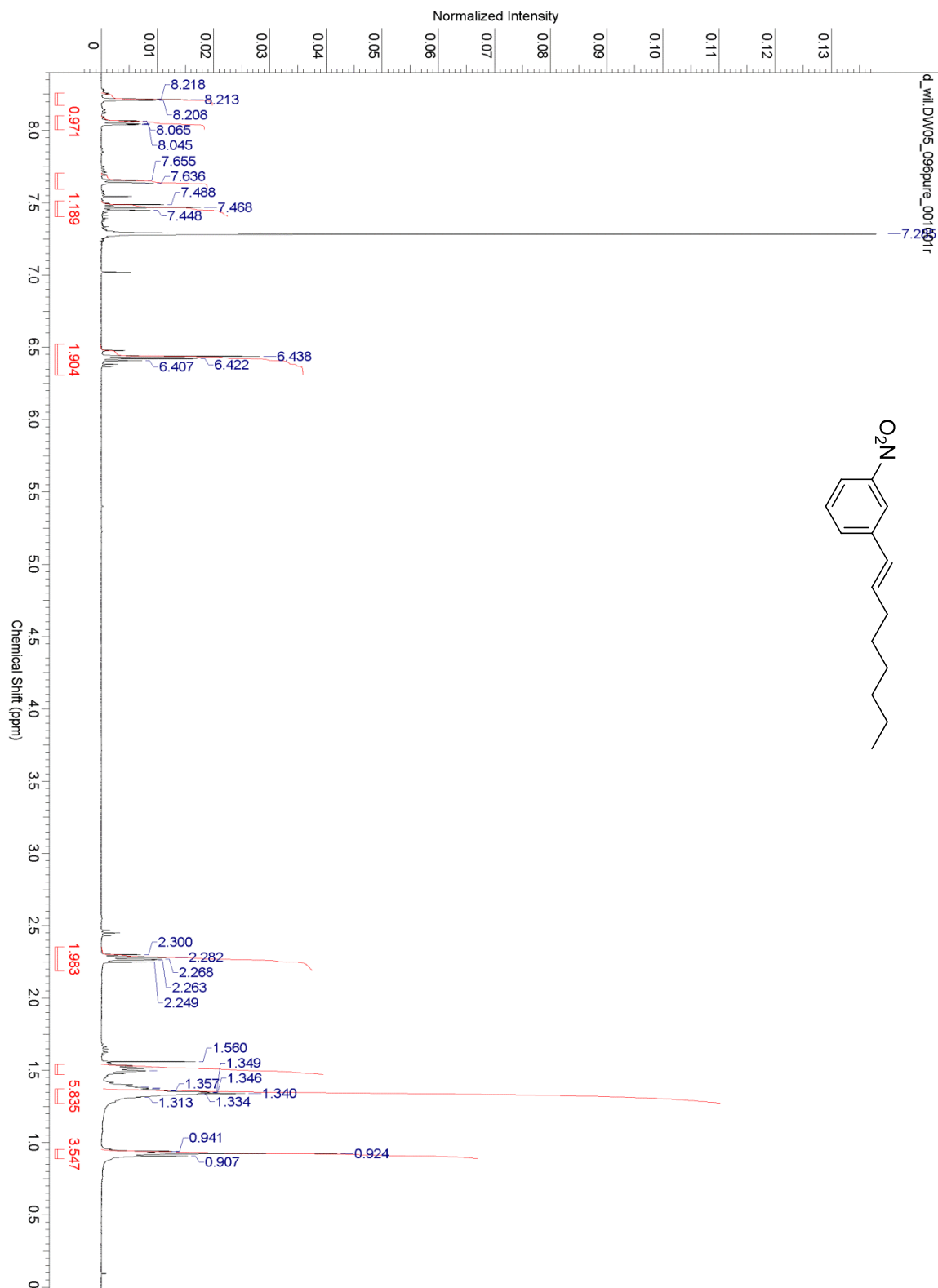
(E)-1-(oct-1-en-1-yl)-4-(trifluoromethyl)benzene, 16

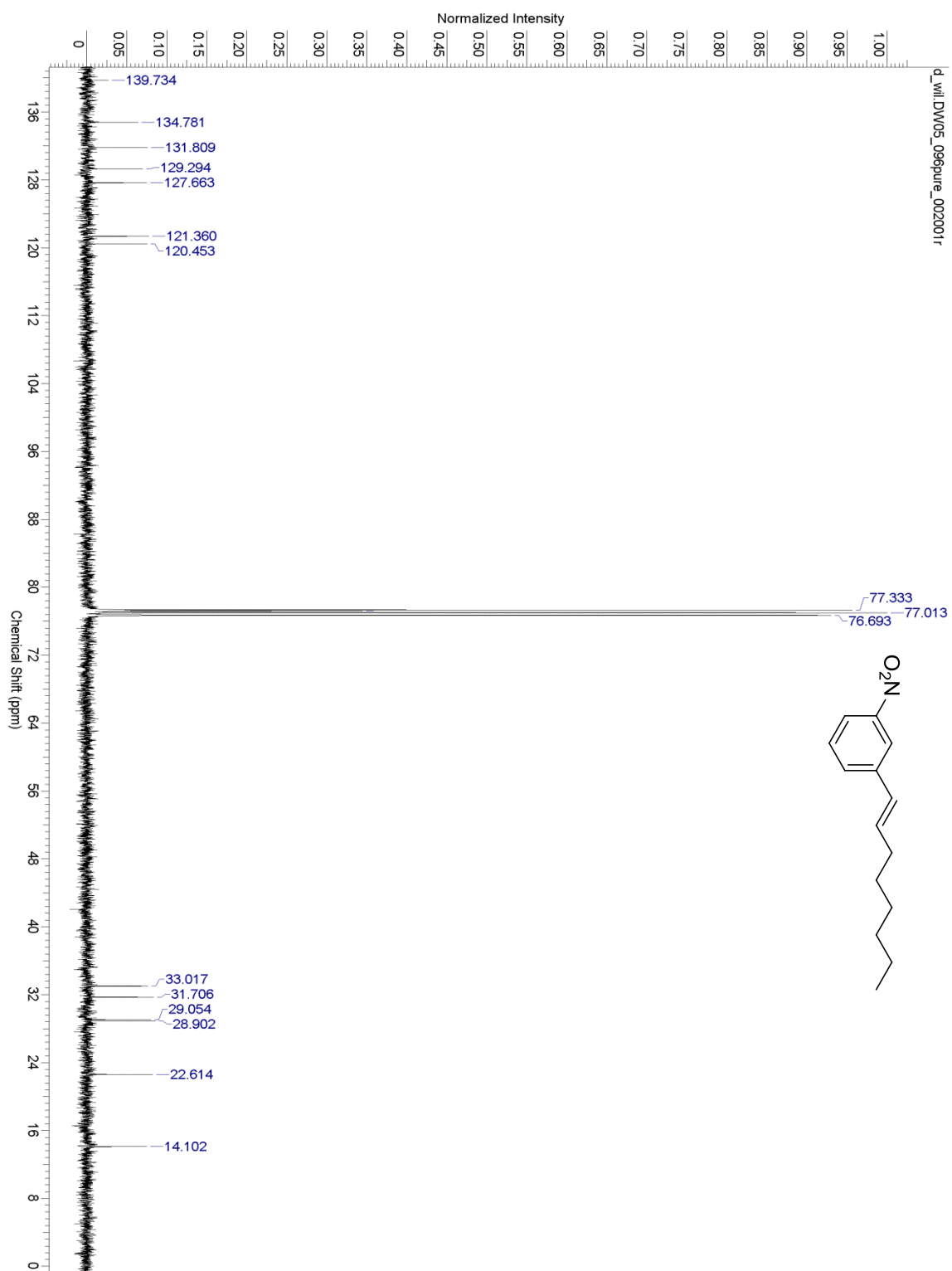




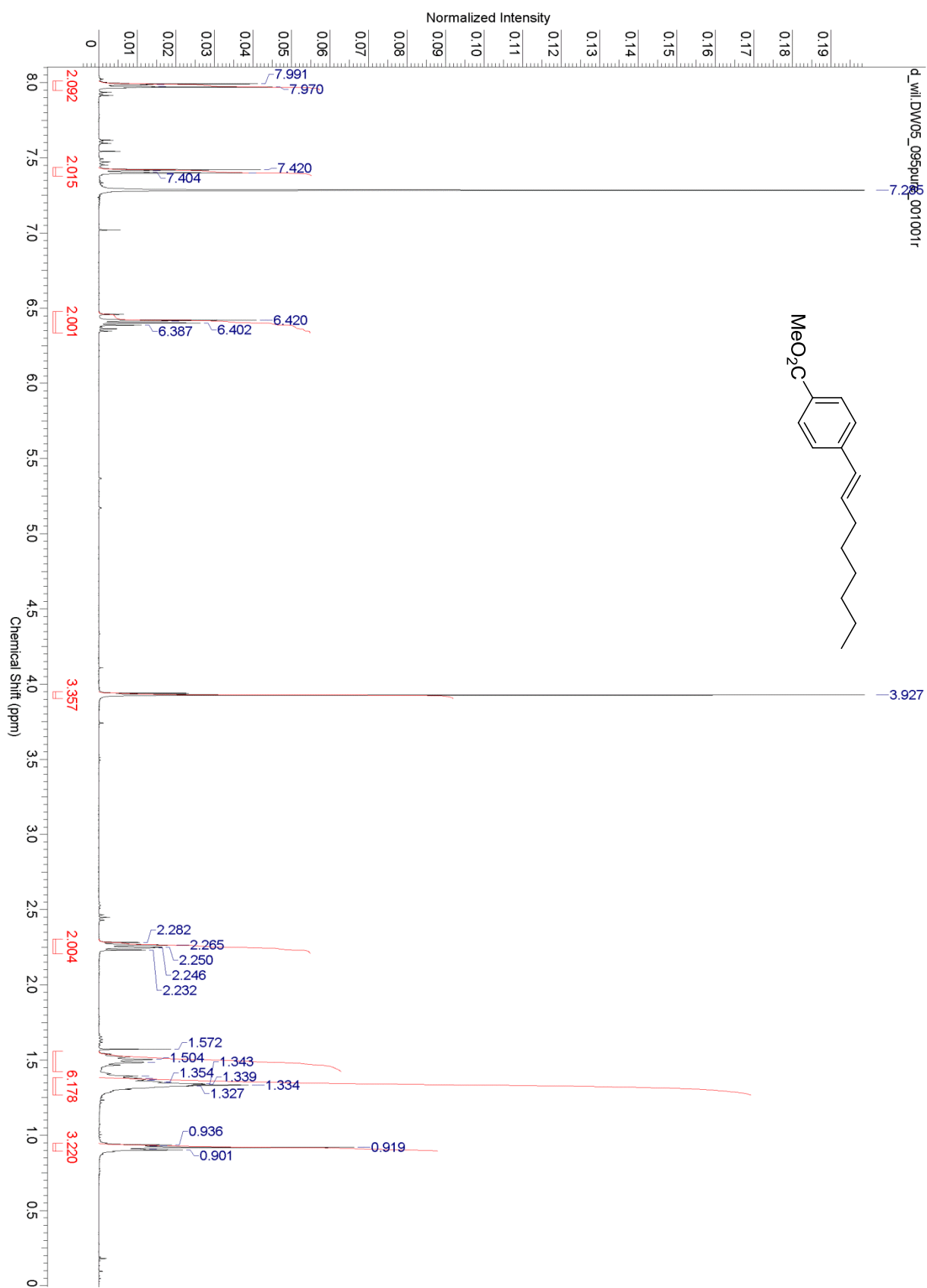


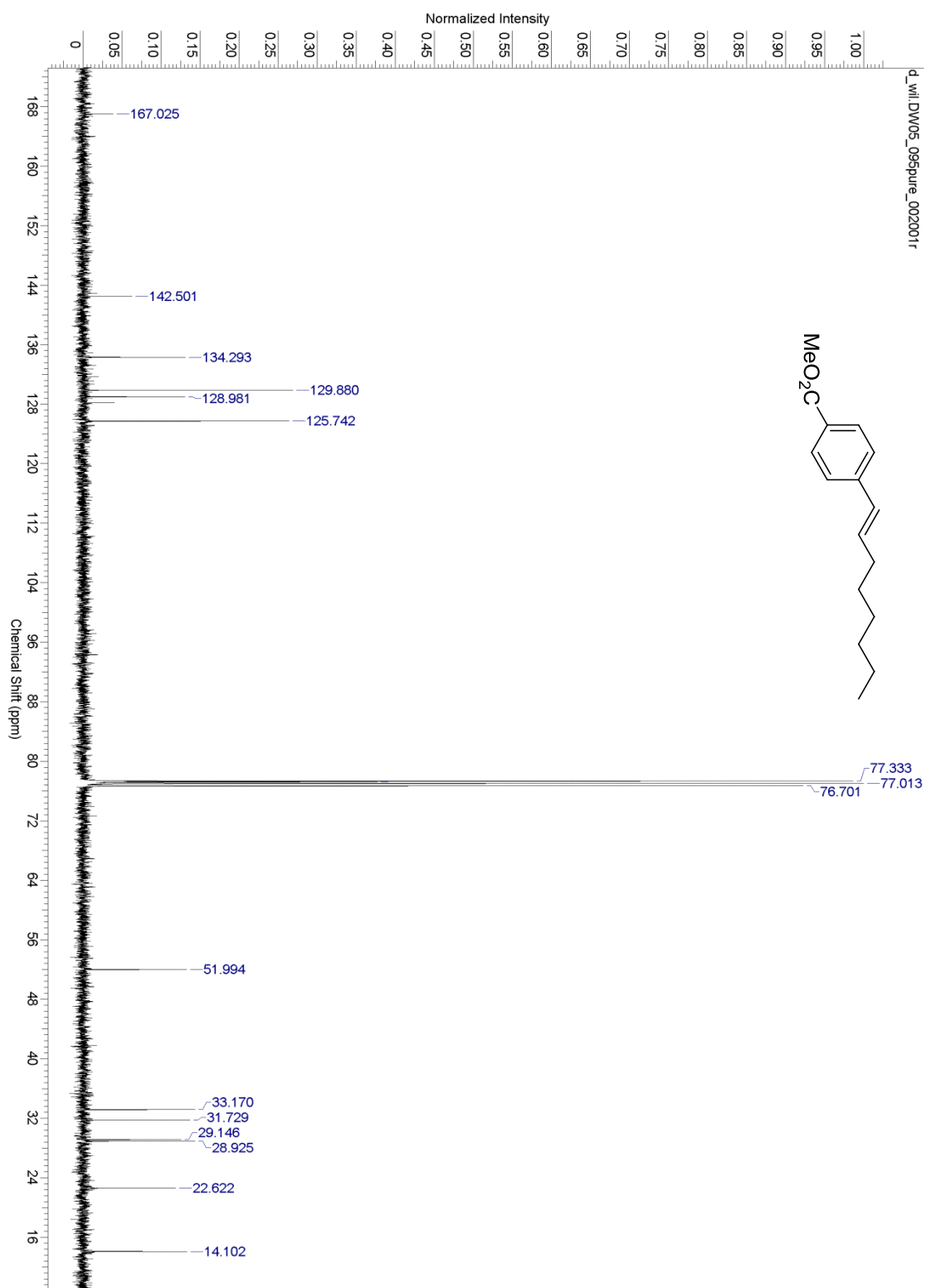
(E)-1-nitro-3-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzene, 17



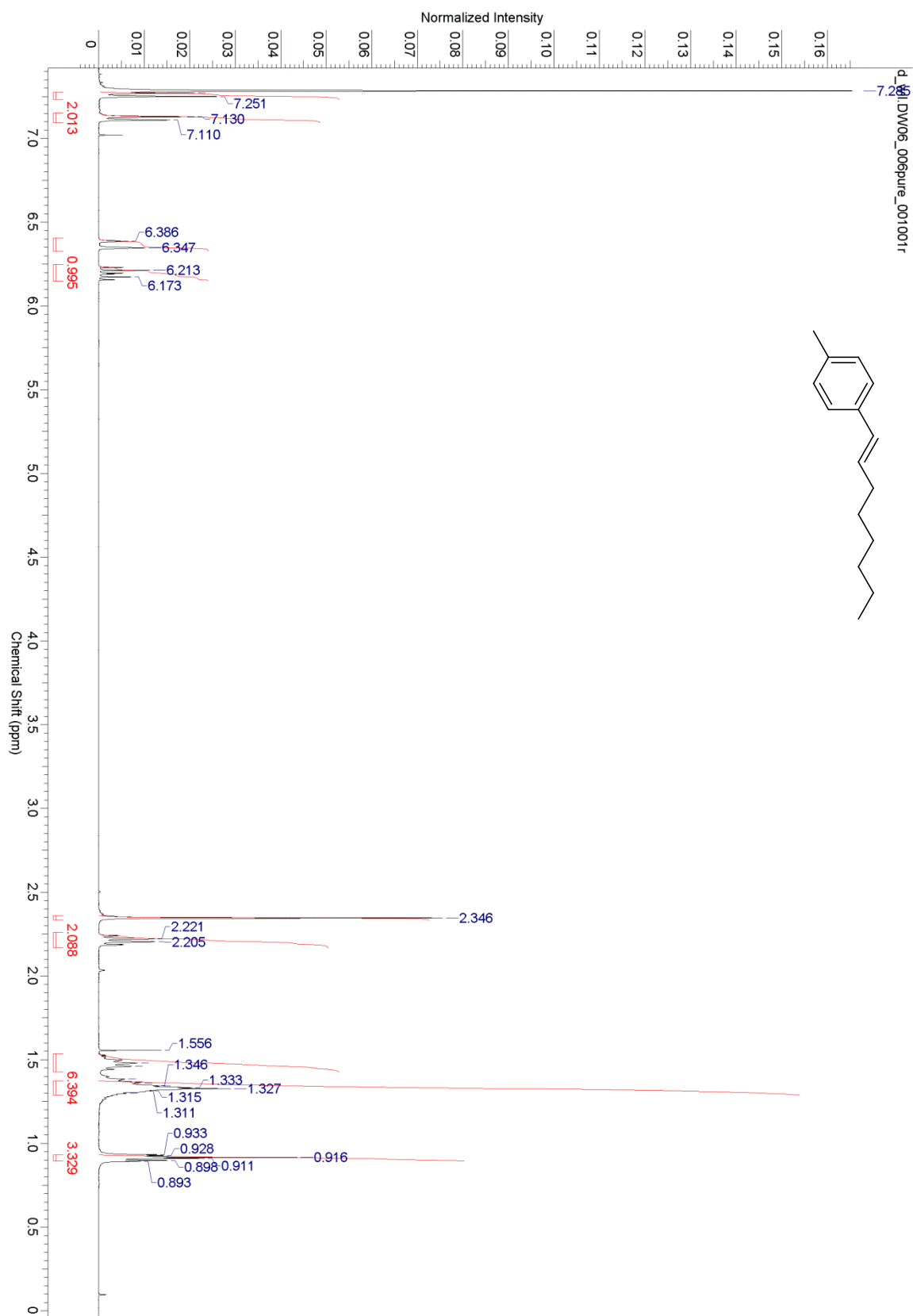


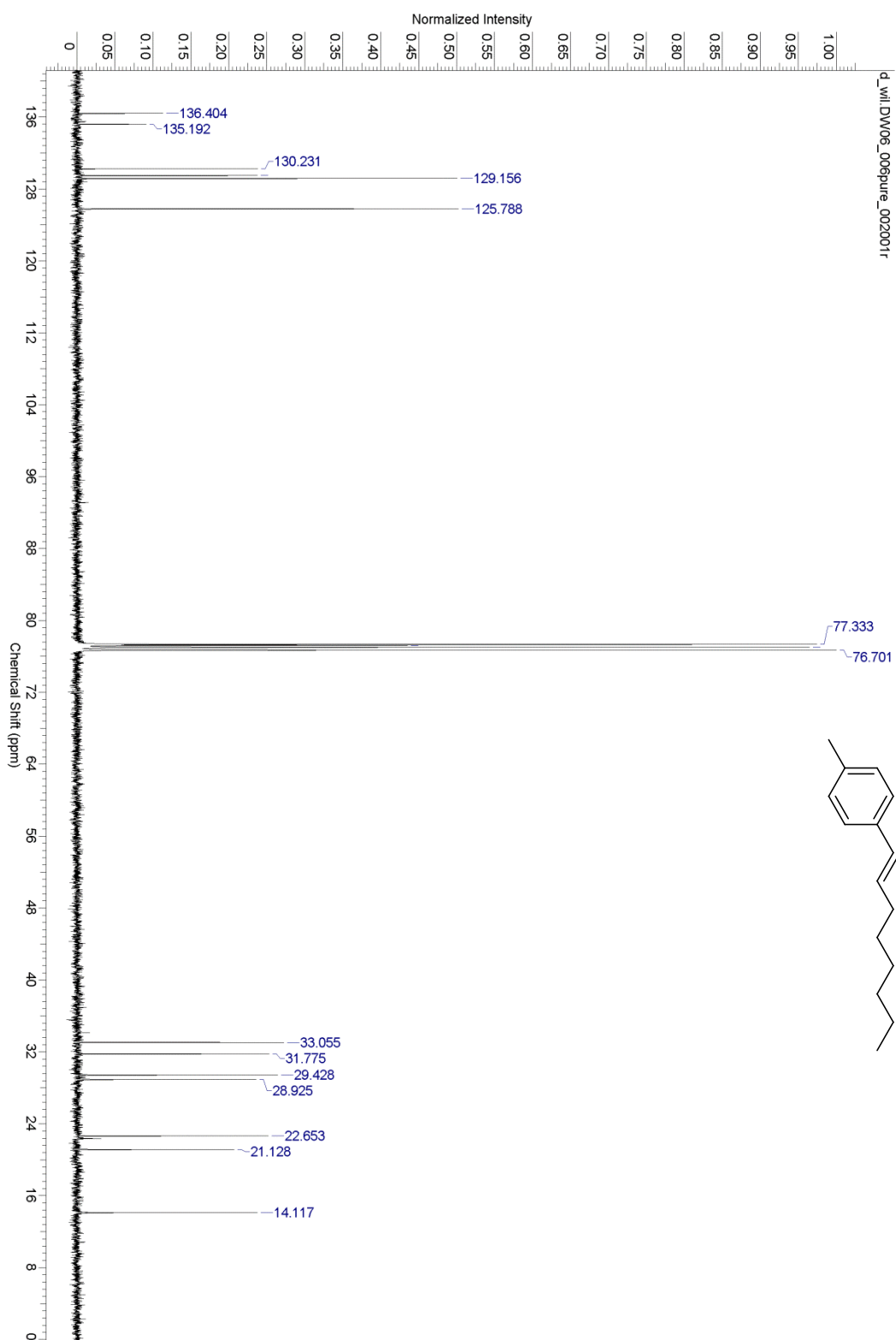
(E)-methyl 4-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzoate, 18



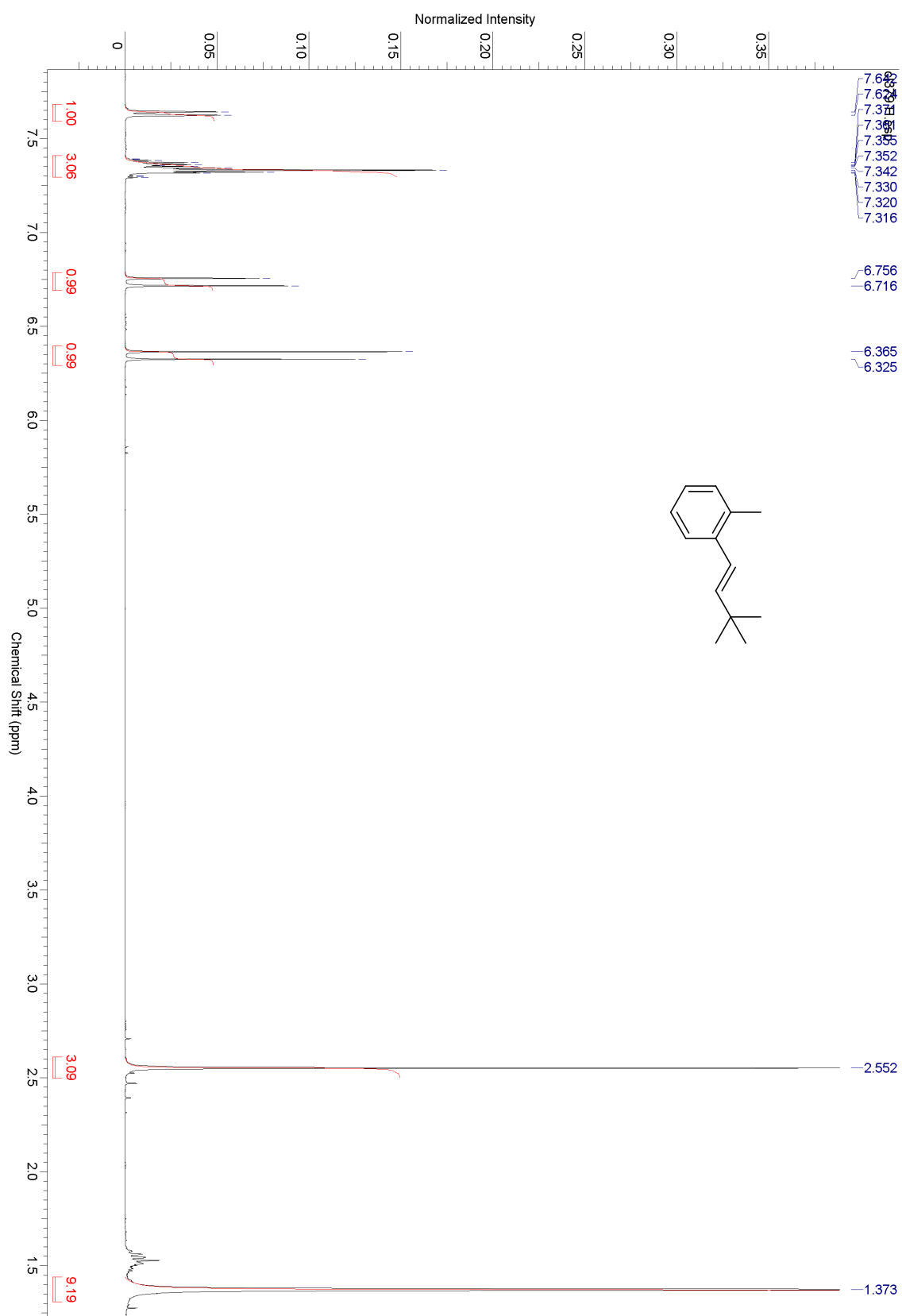


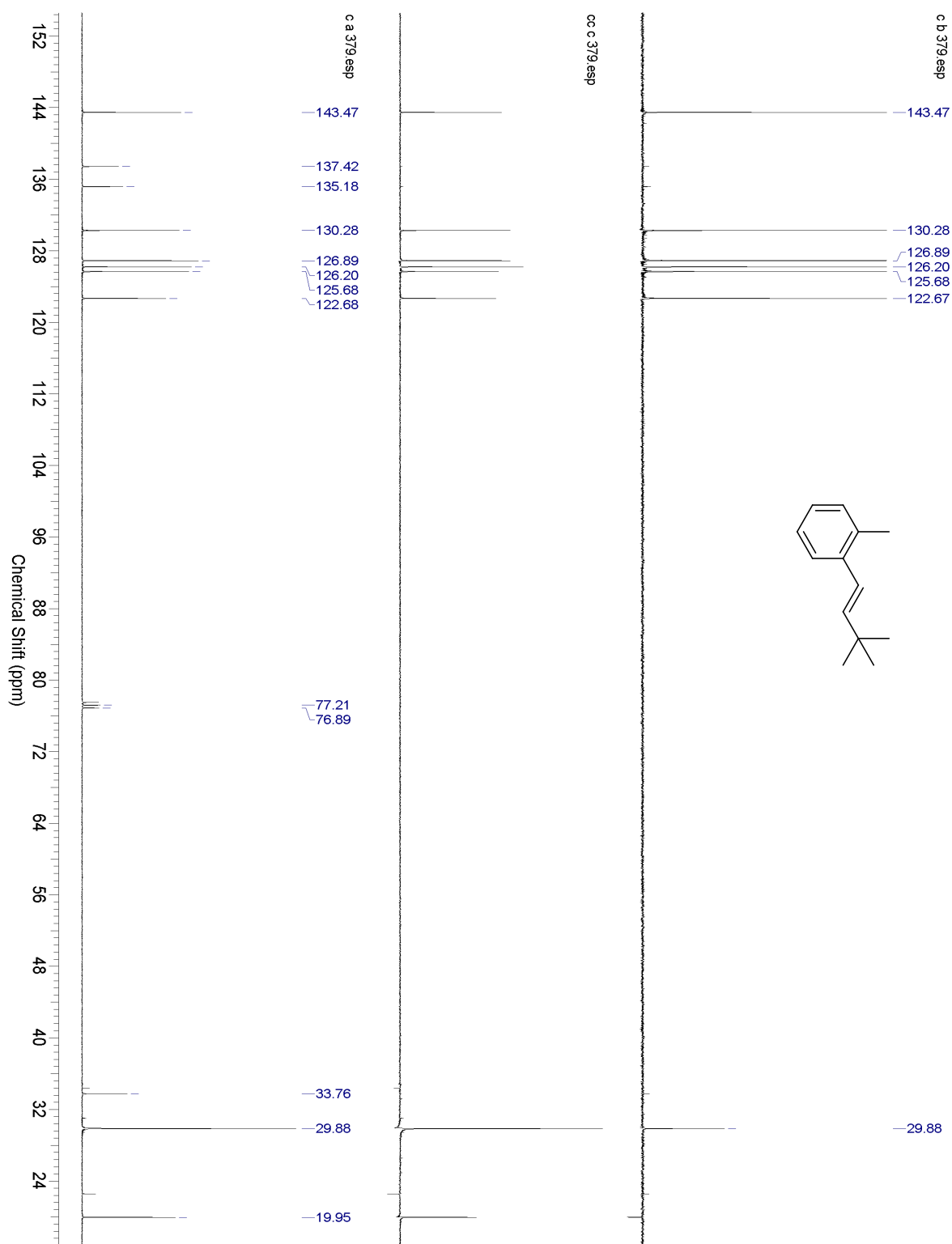
(E)-1-methyl-4-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzene, 19



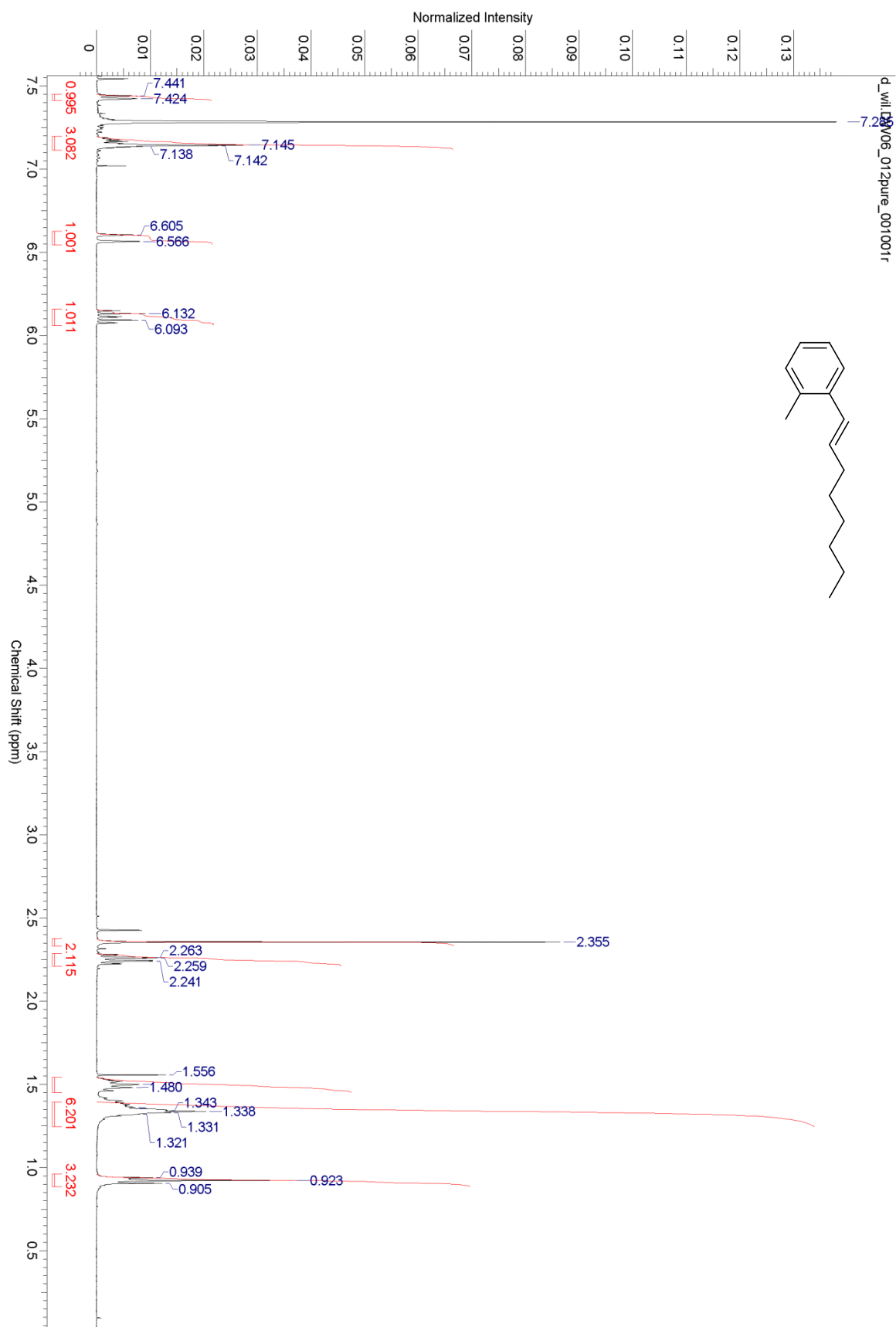


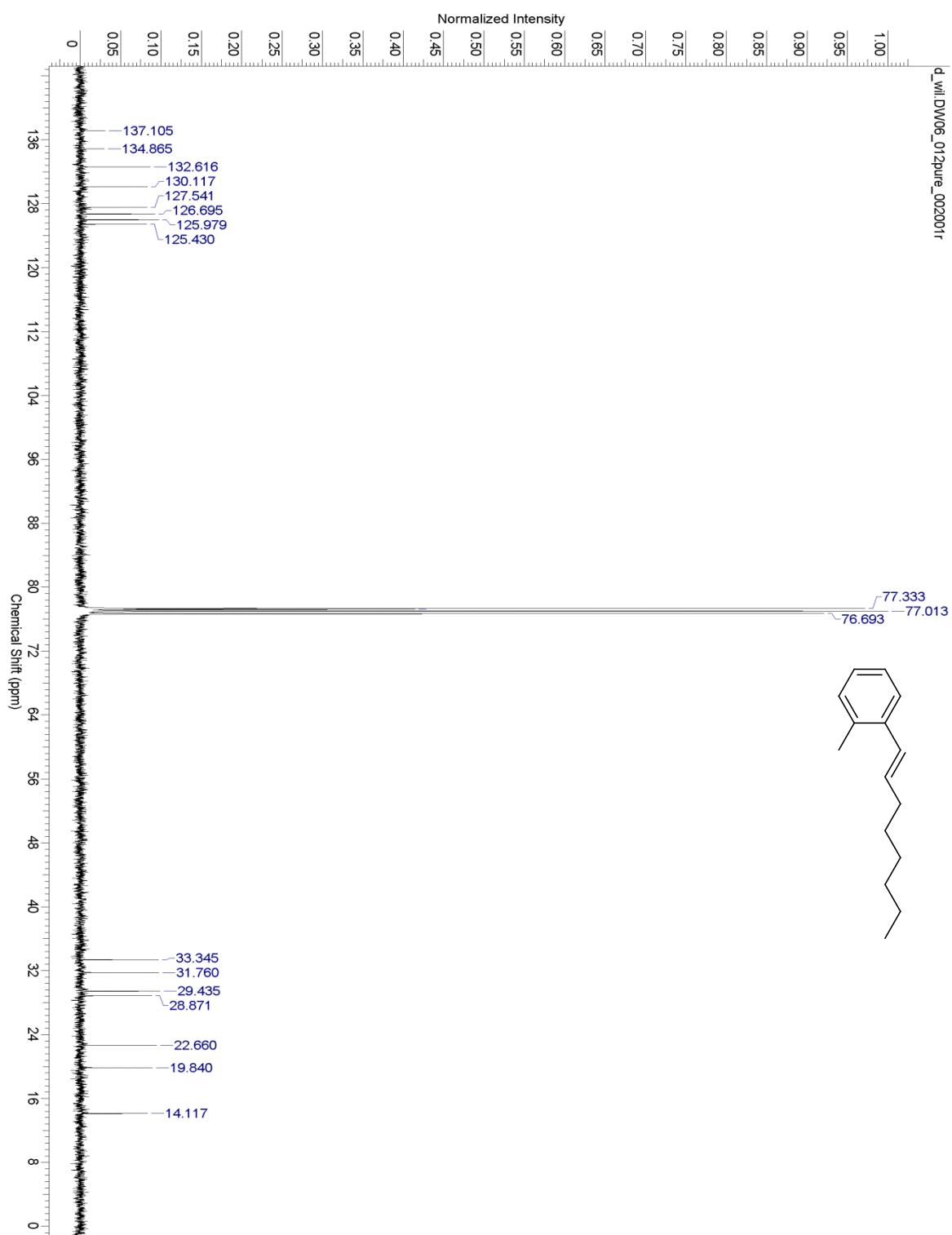
(E)-1-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-en-1-yl)-2-methylbenzene, 20



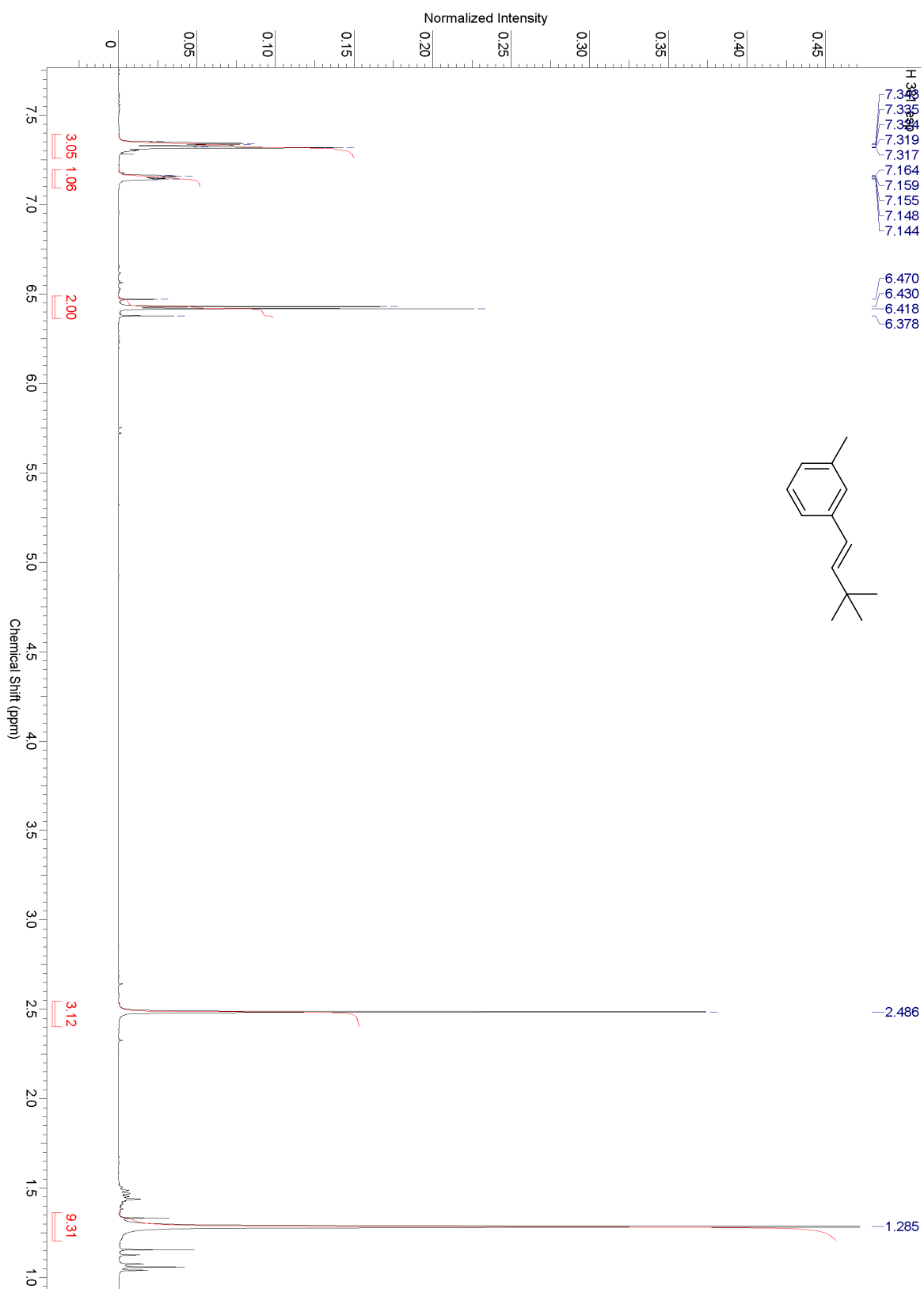


(E)-1-methyl-2-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzene, 21



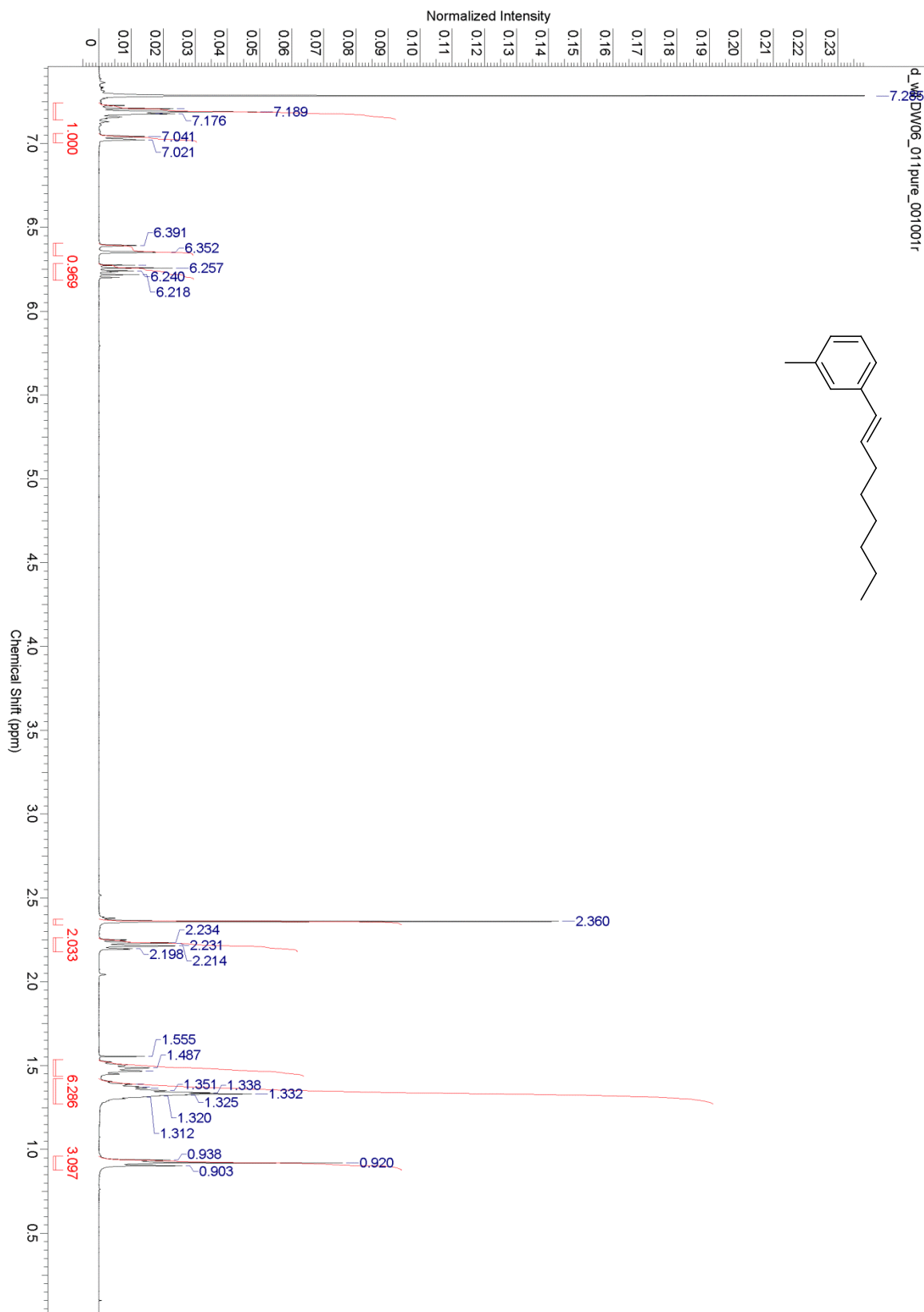


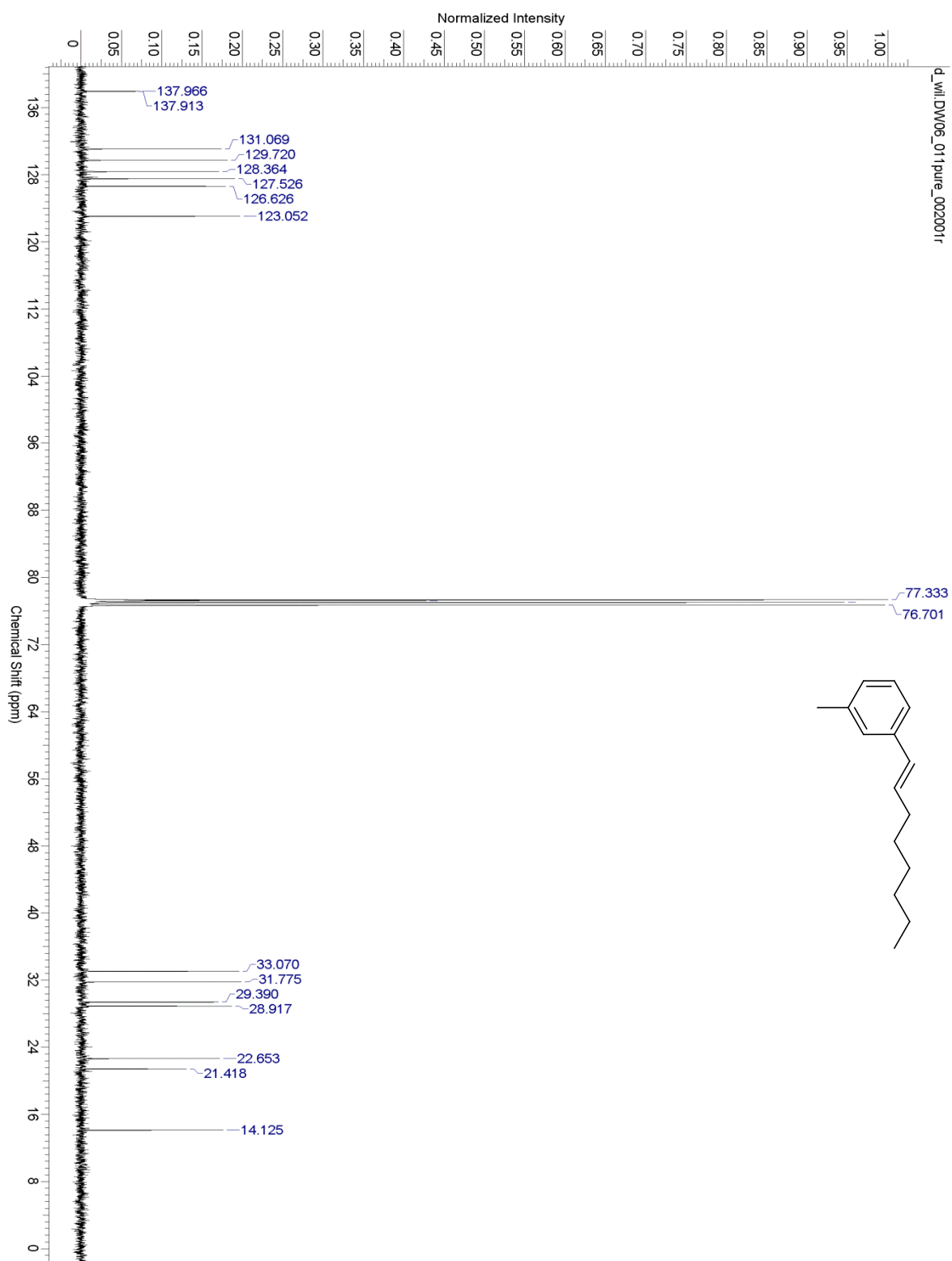
(E)-1-(3,3-dimethylbut-1-en-1-yl)-3-methylbenzene, 22



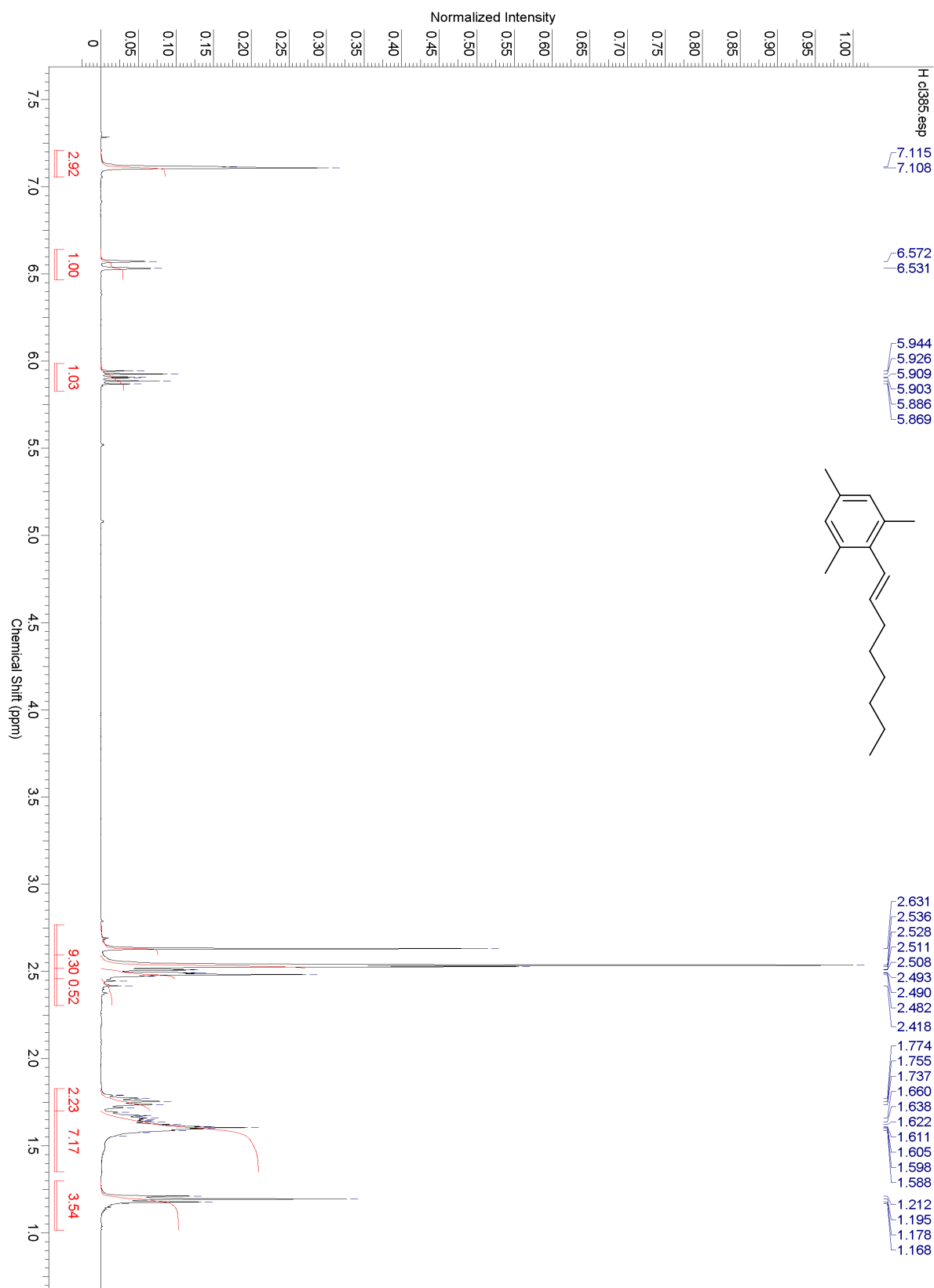


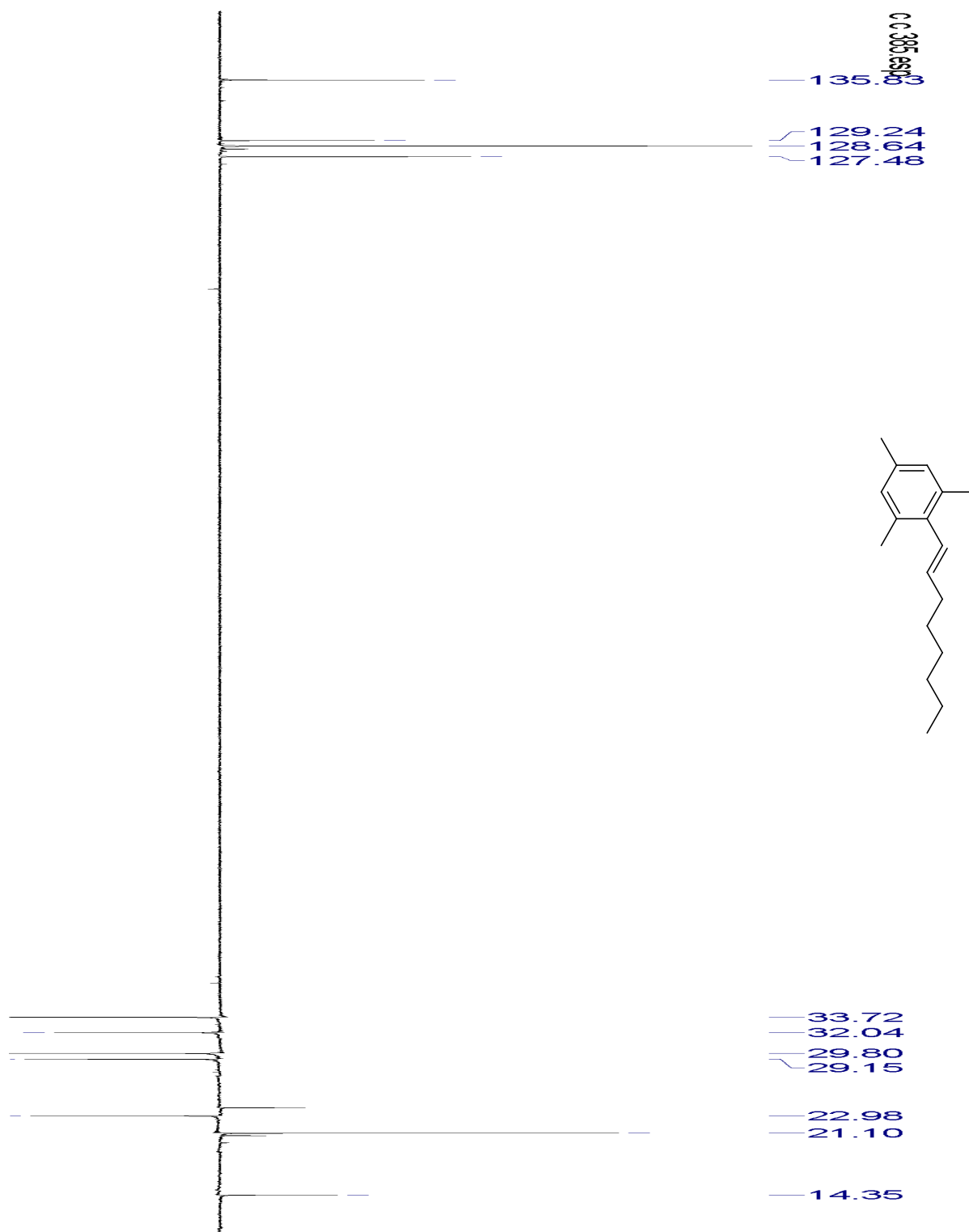
(E)-1-methyl-3-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzene, 23



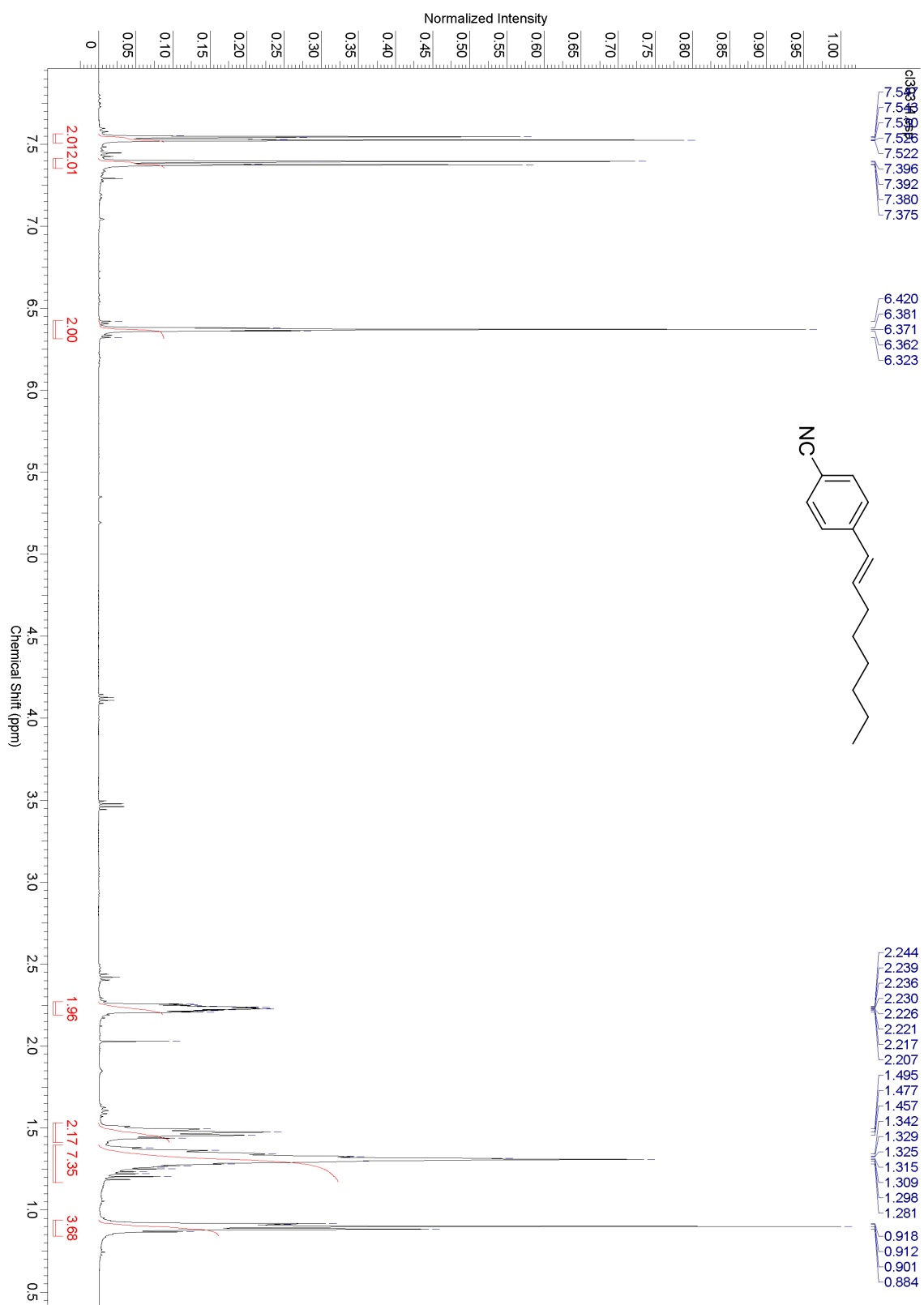


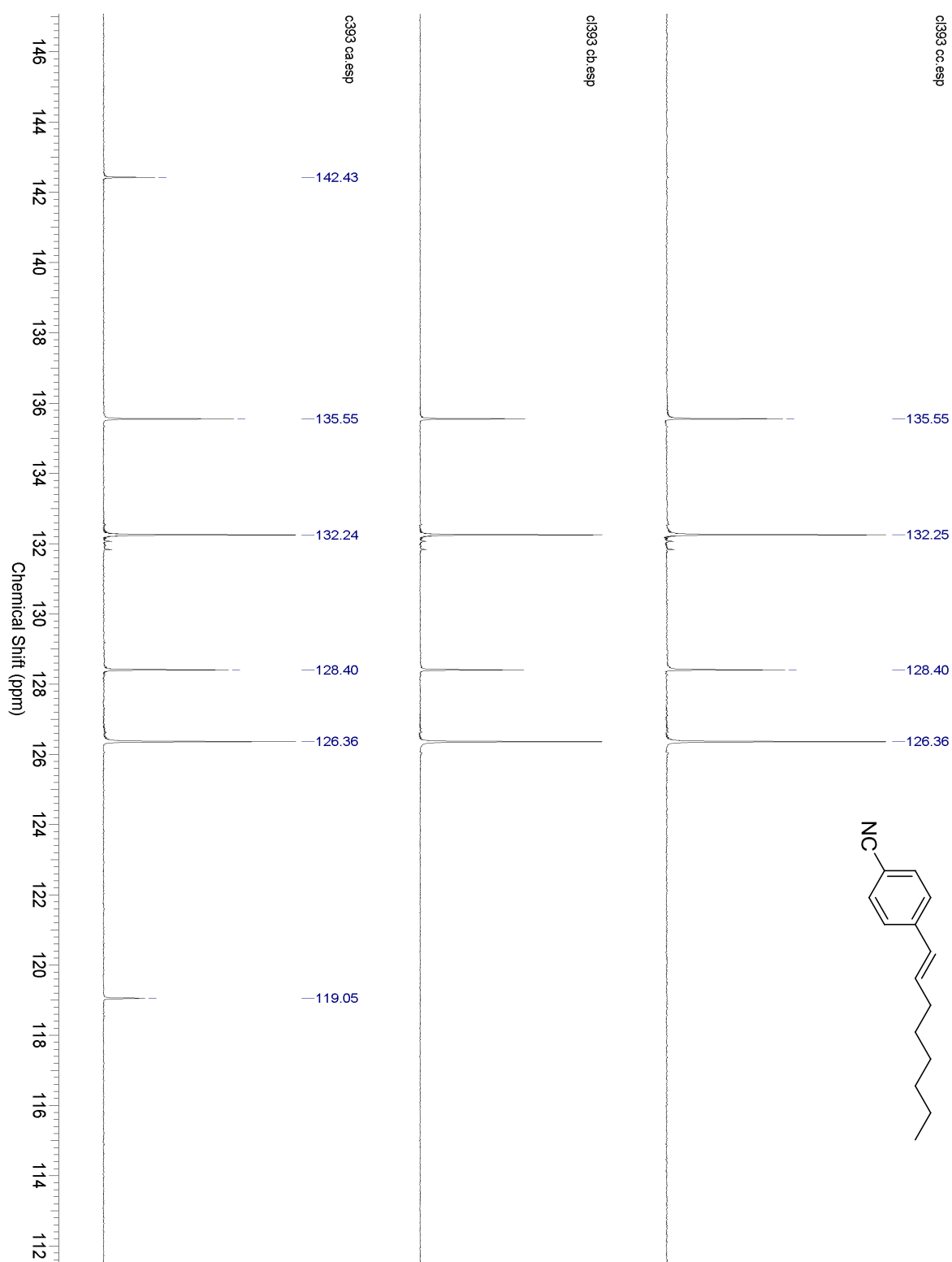
(E)-1,3,5-trimethyl-2-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzene, 24



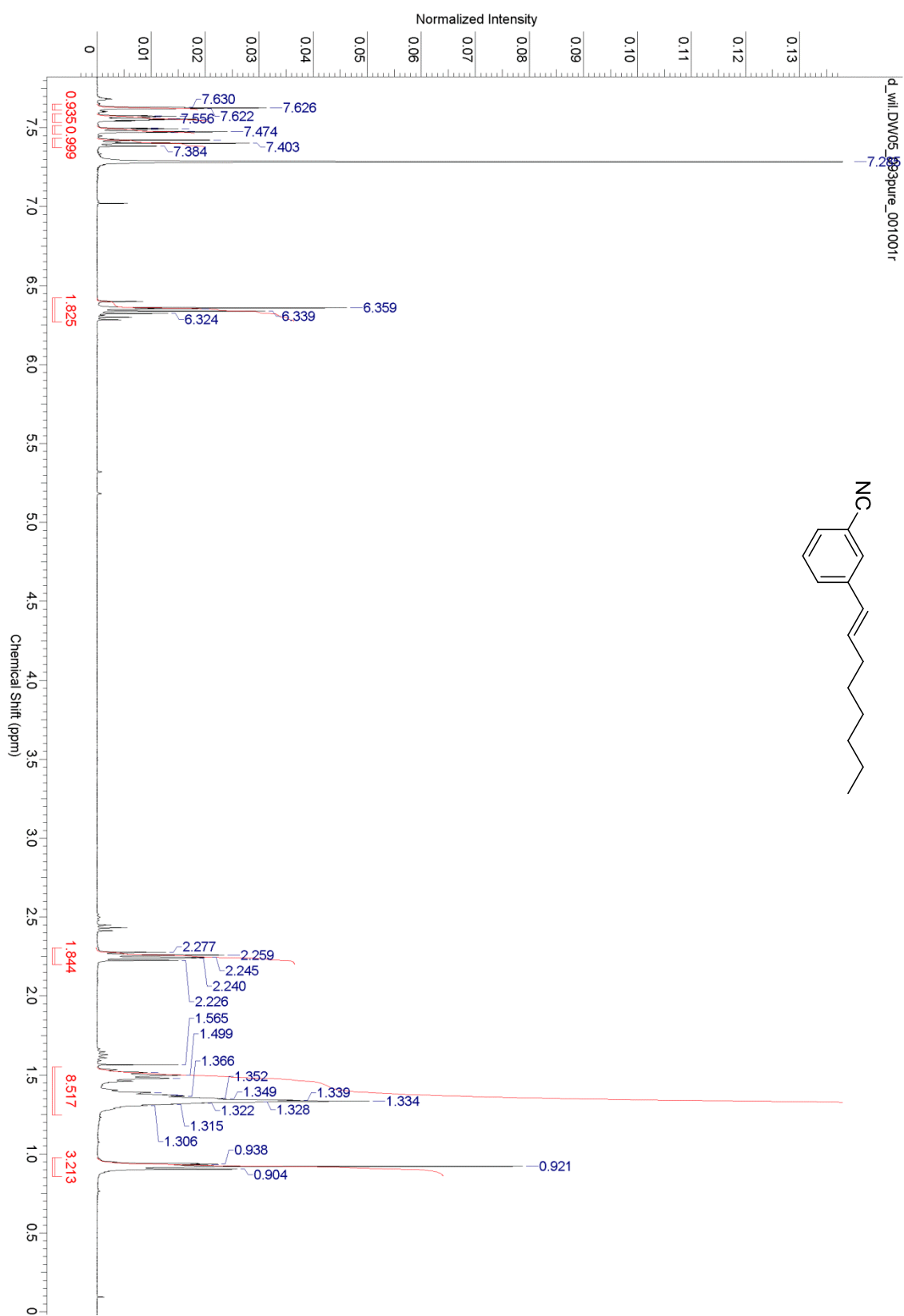


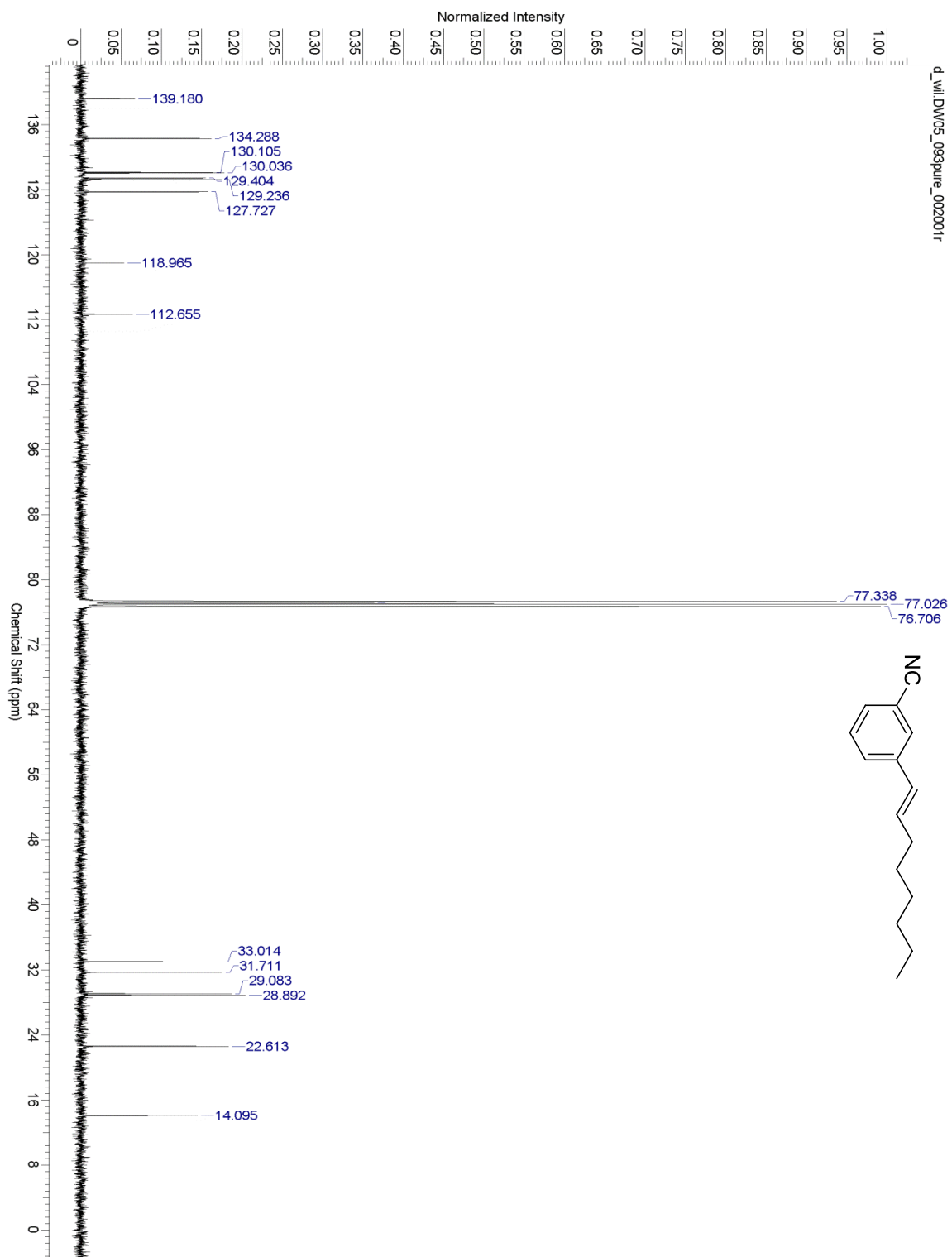
(E)-4-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzonitrile, 25



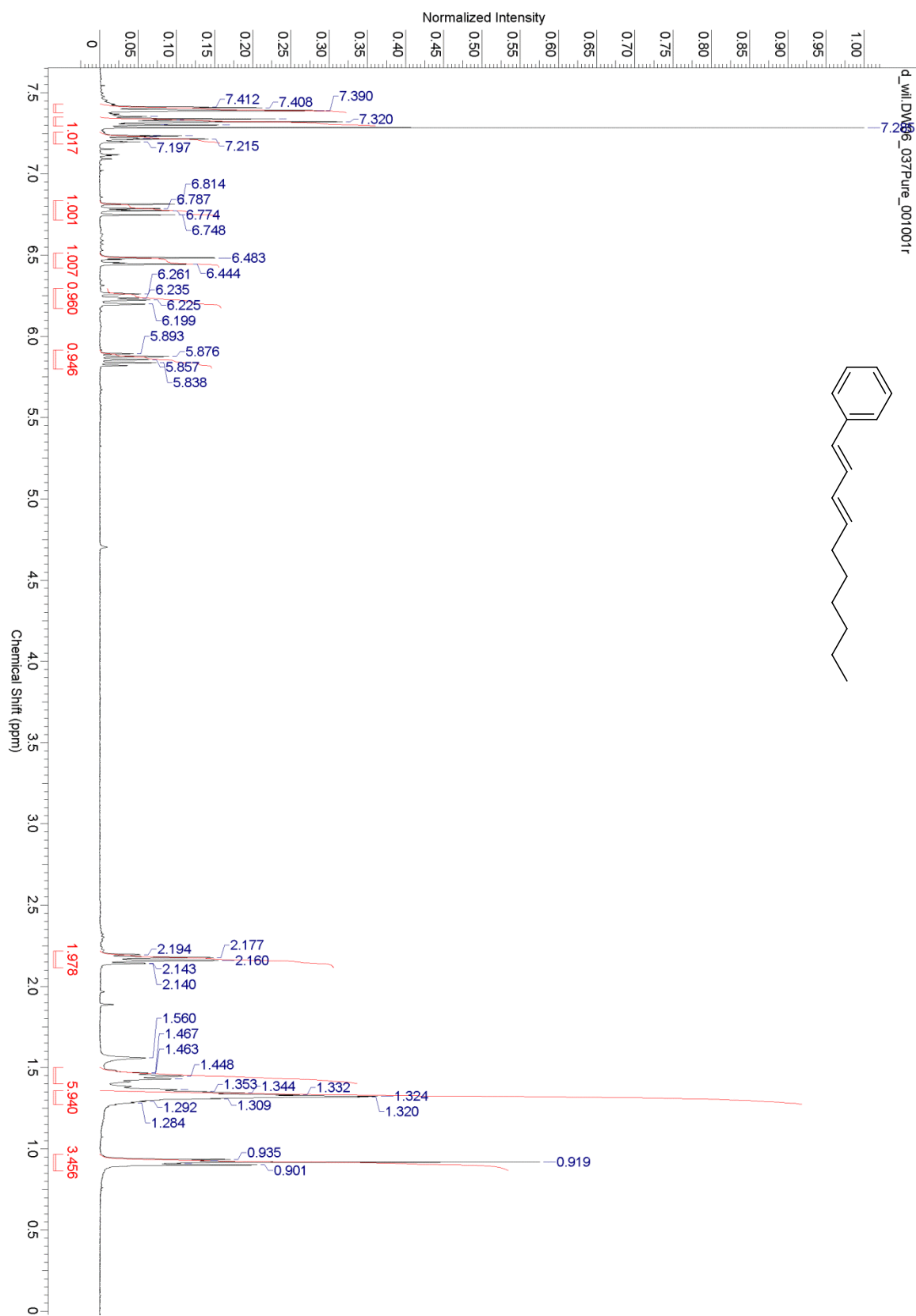


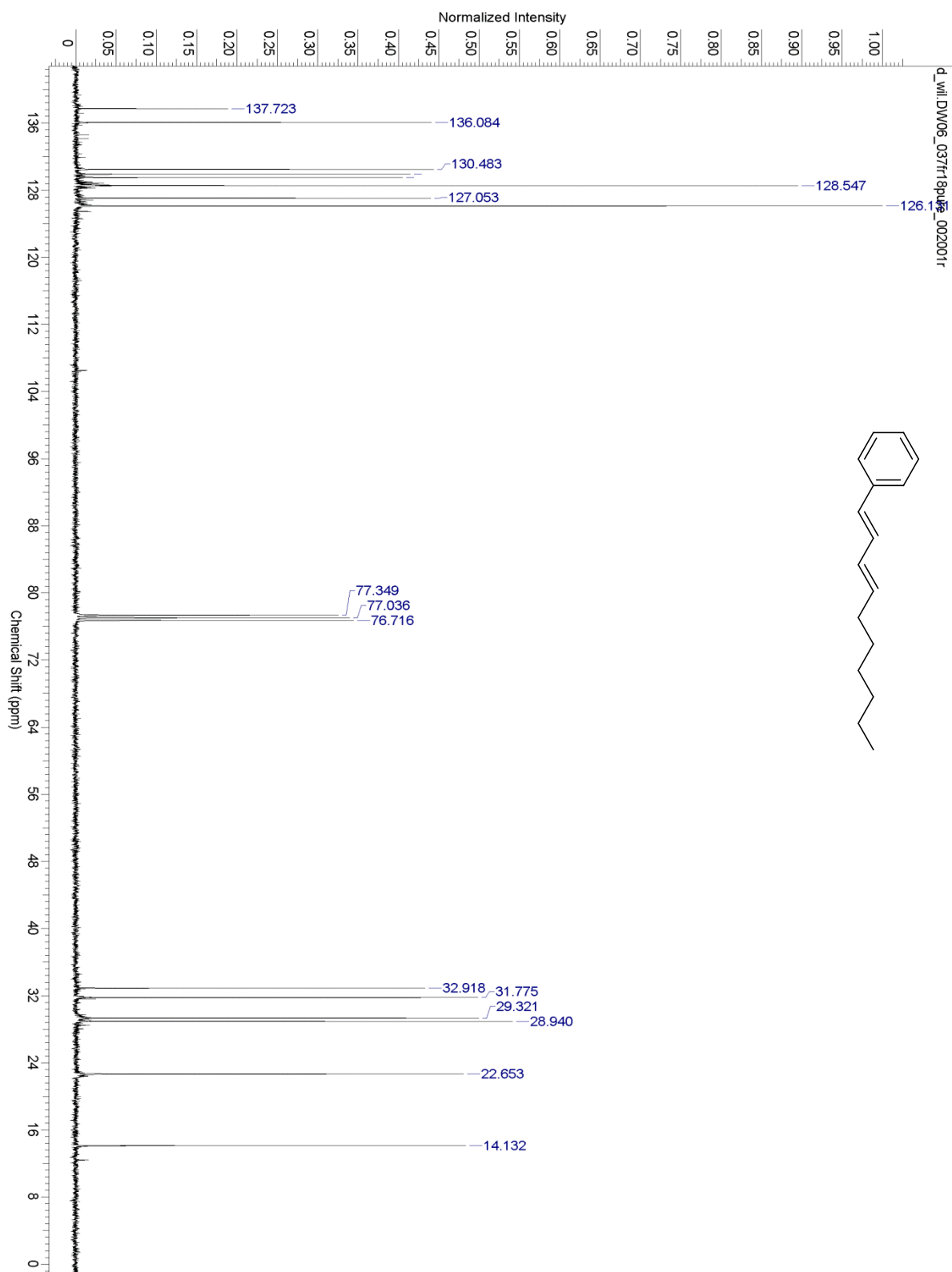
(E)-3-(oct-1-en-1-yl)benzonitrile, 26



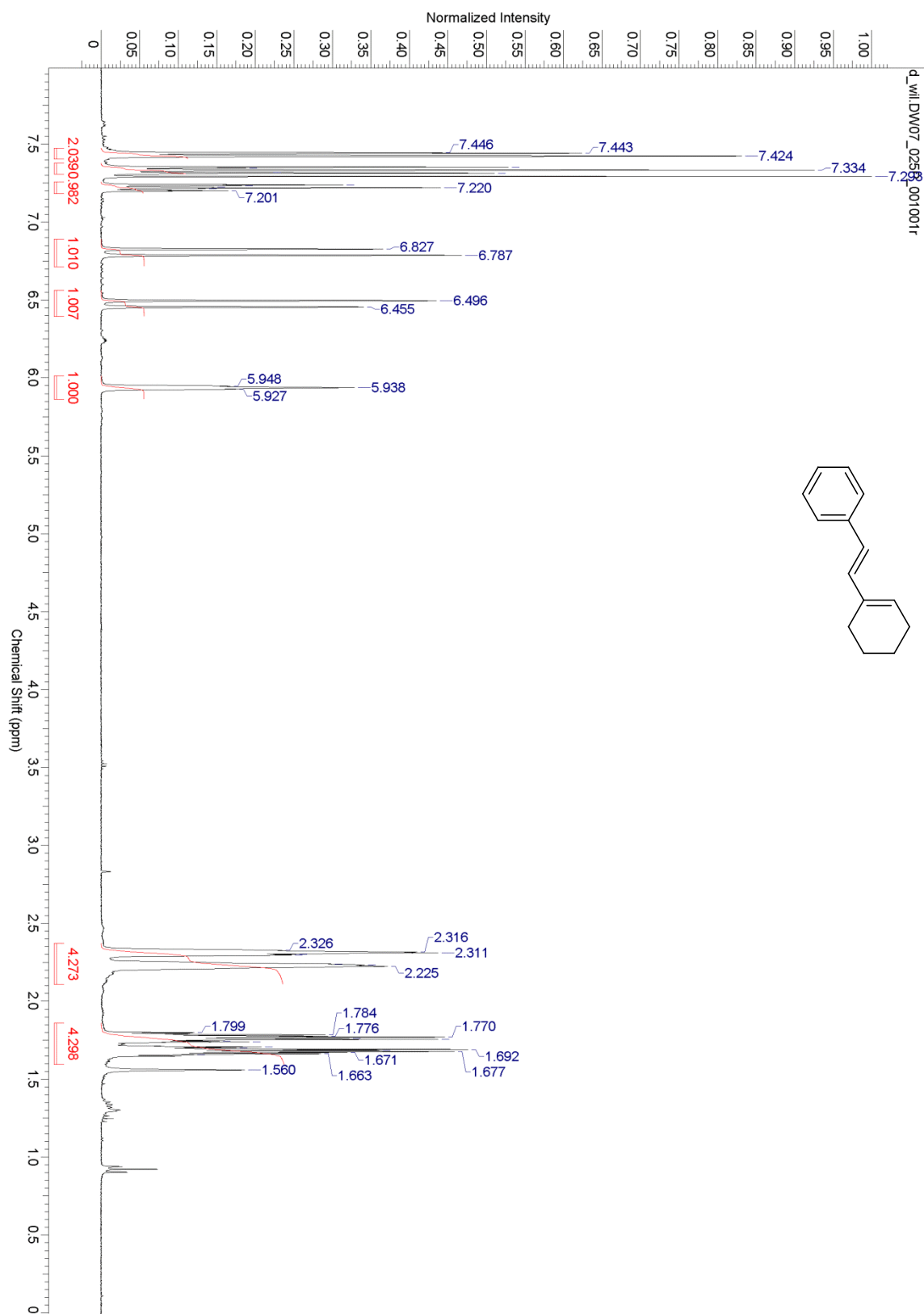


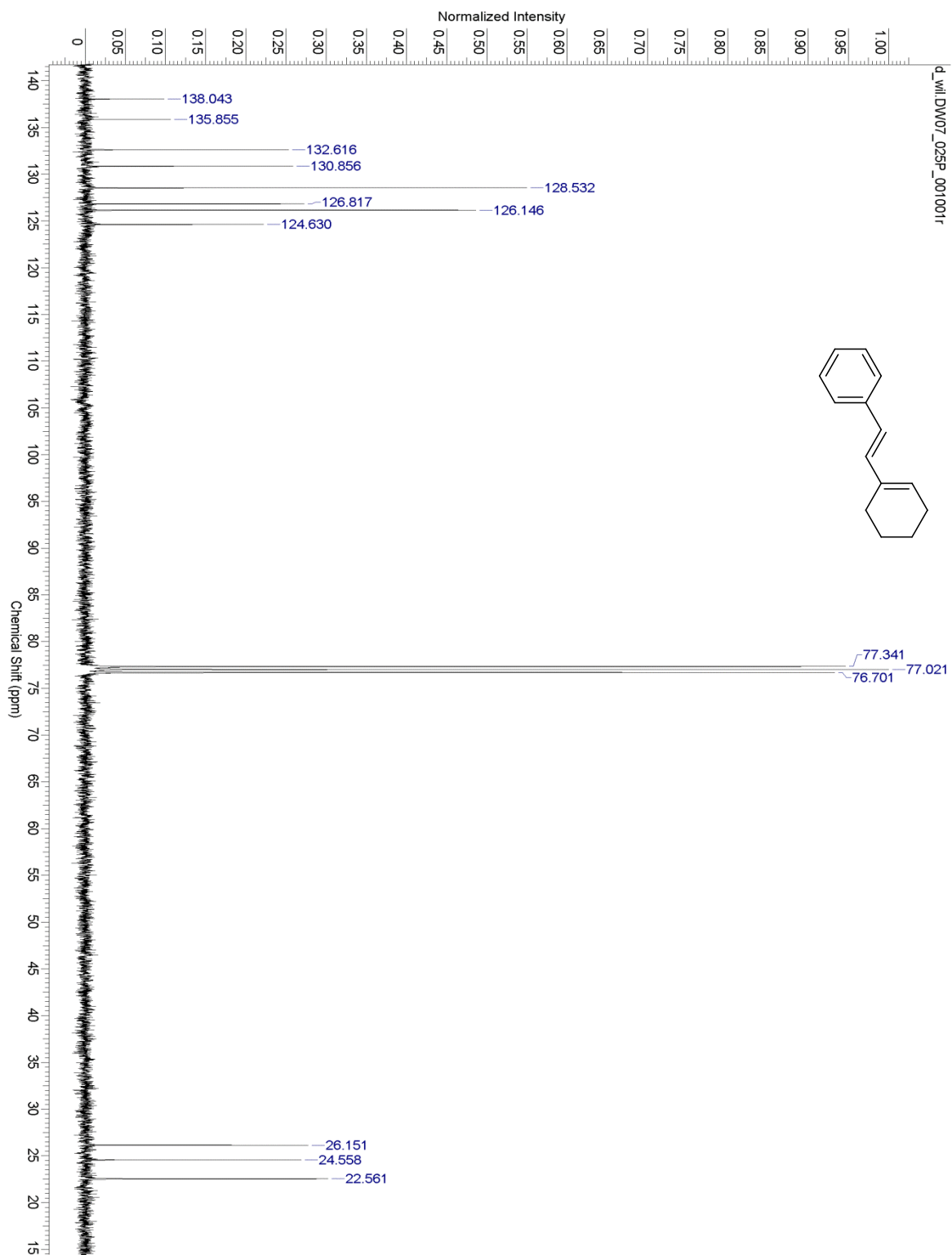
(1E,3E)-deca-1,3-dien-1-ylbenzene, 27



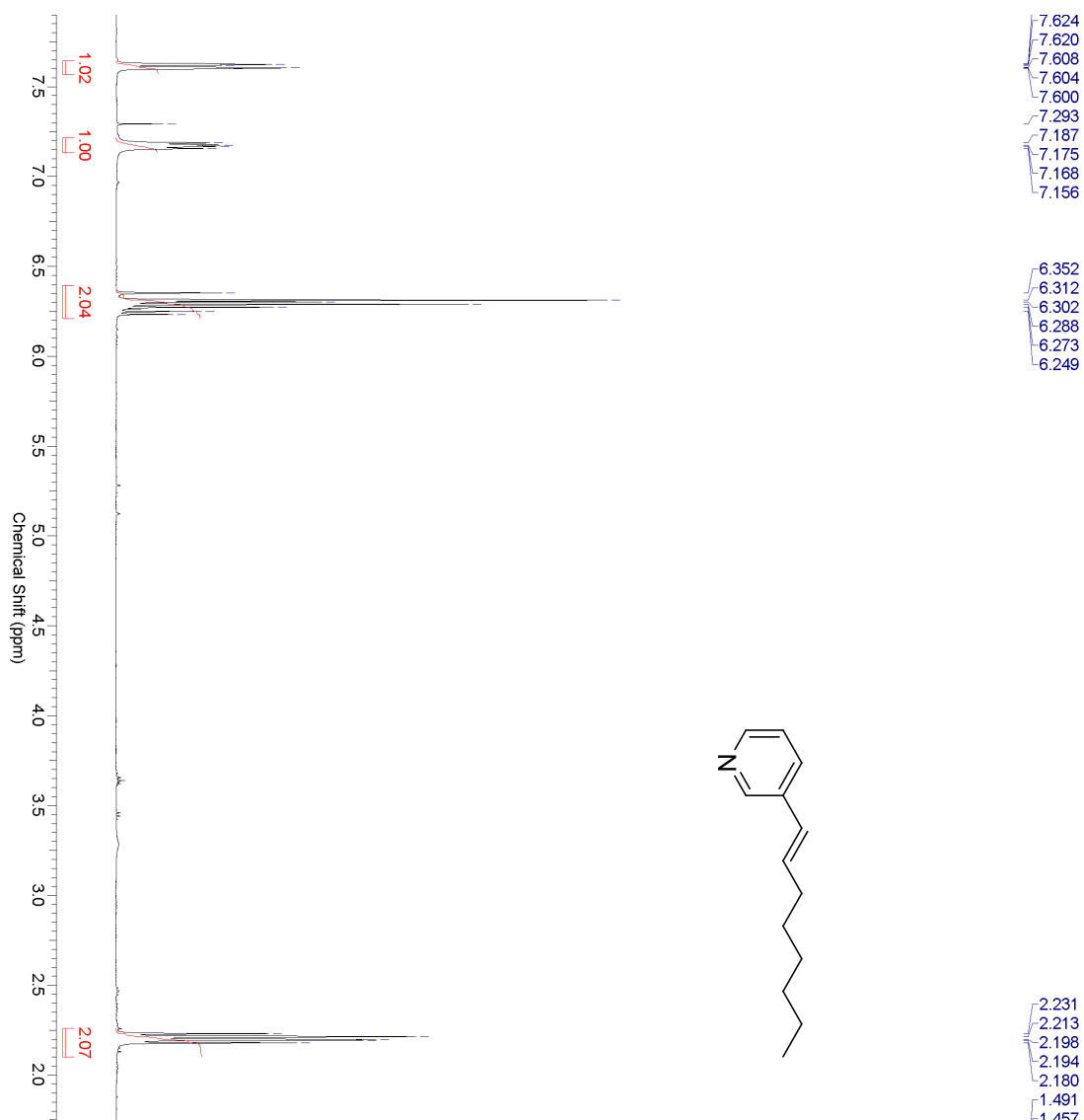


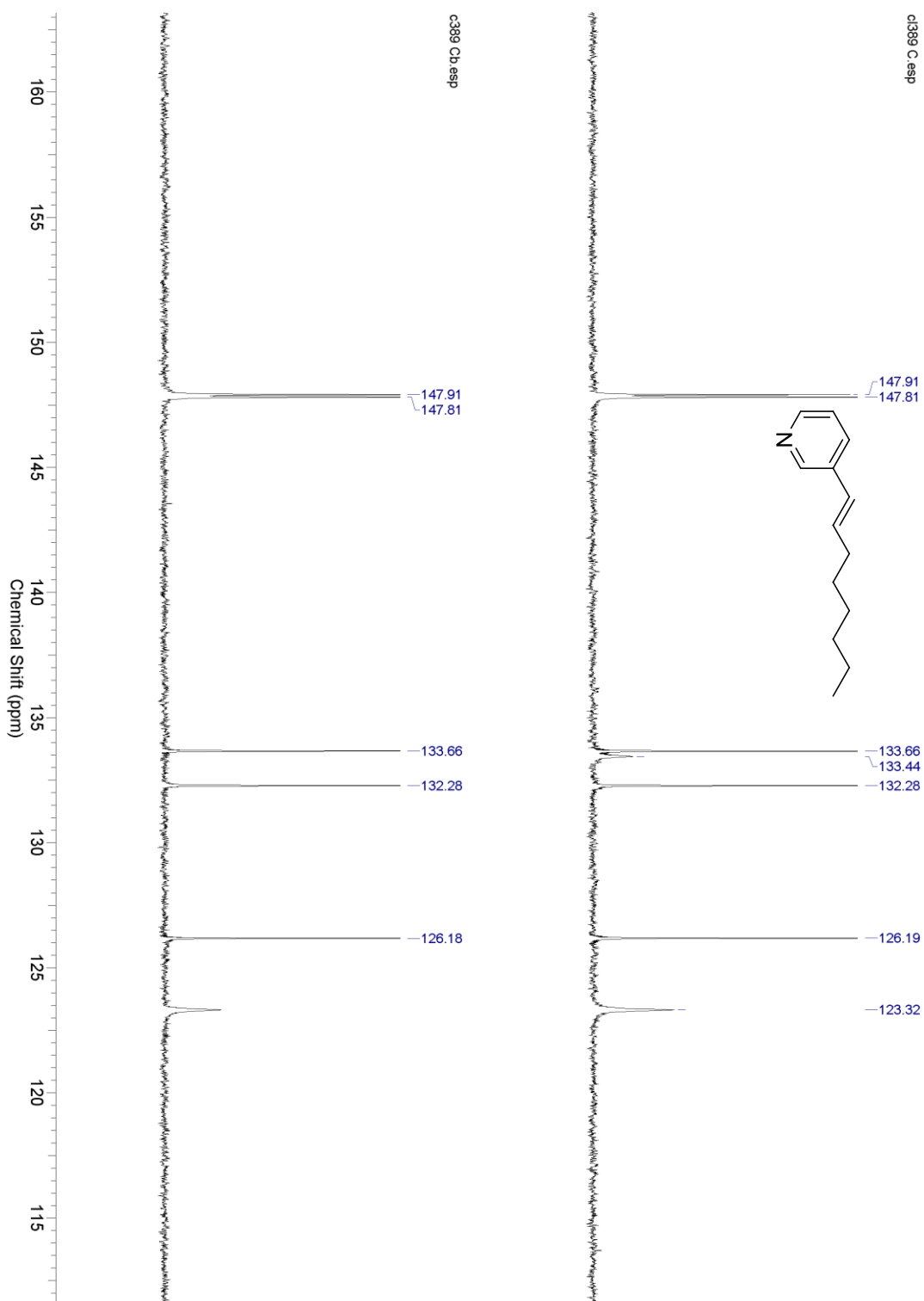
(E)-(2-(cyclohex-1-en-1-yl)vinyl)benzene, 28



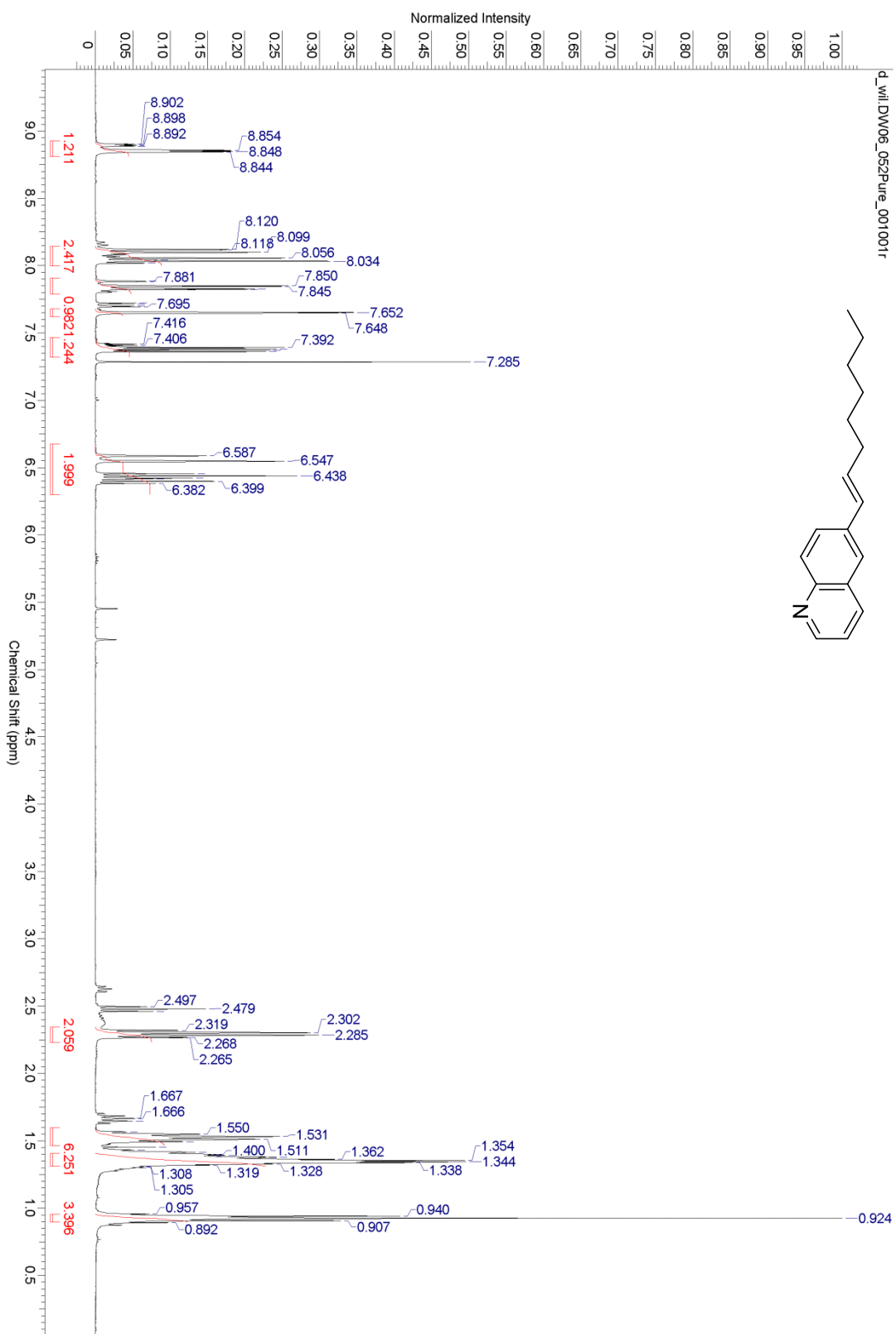


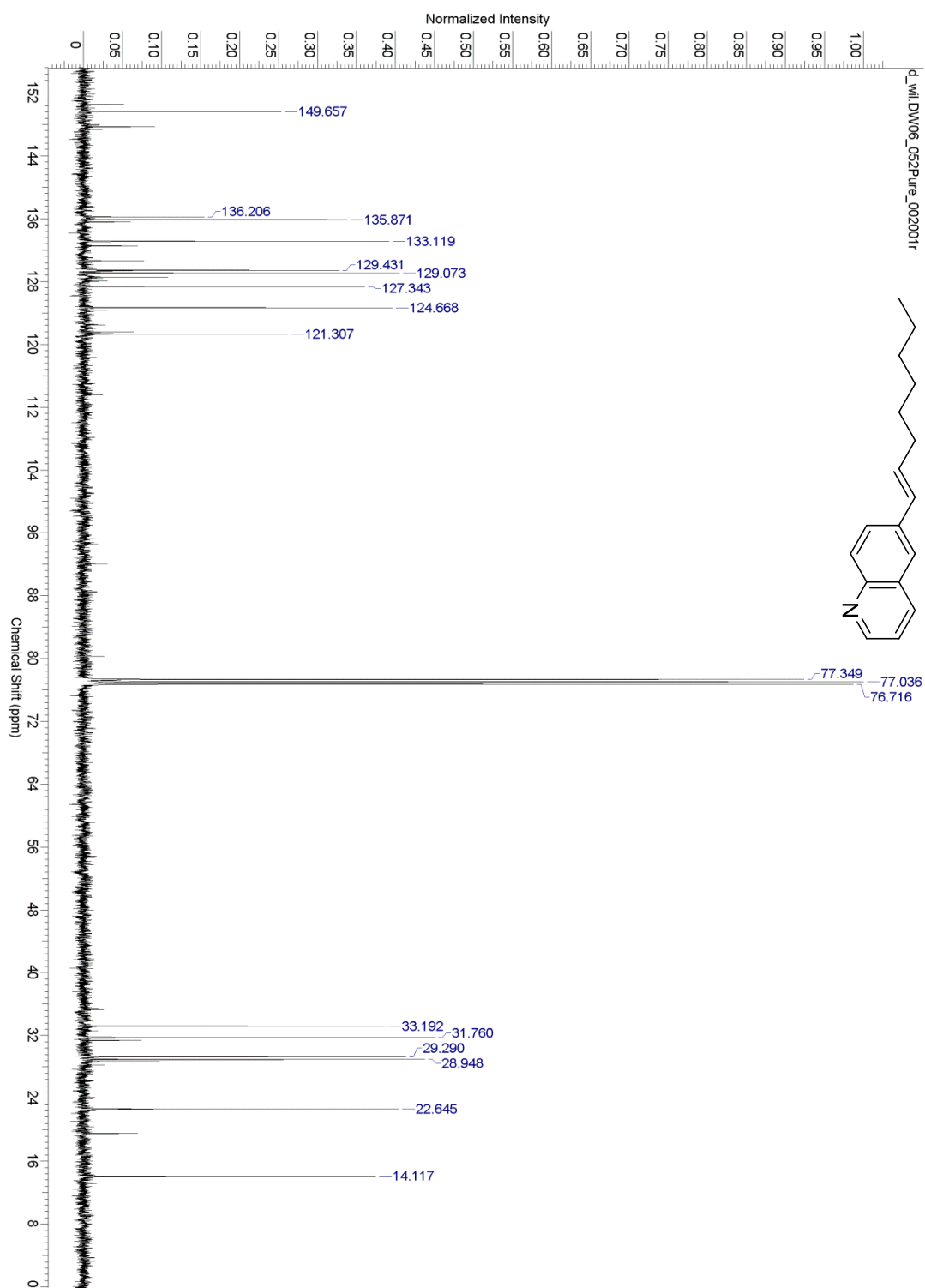
(E)-3-(oct-1-en-1-yl)pyridine, 29



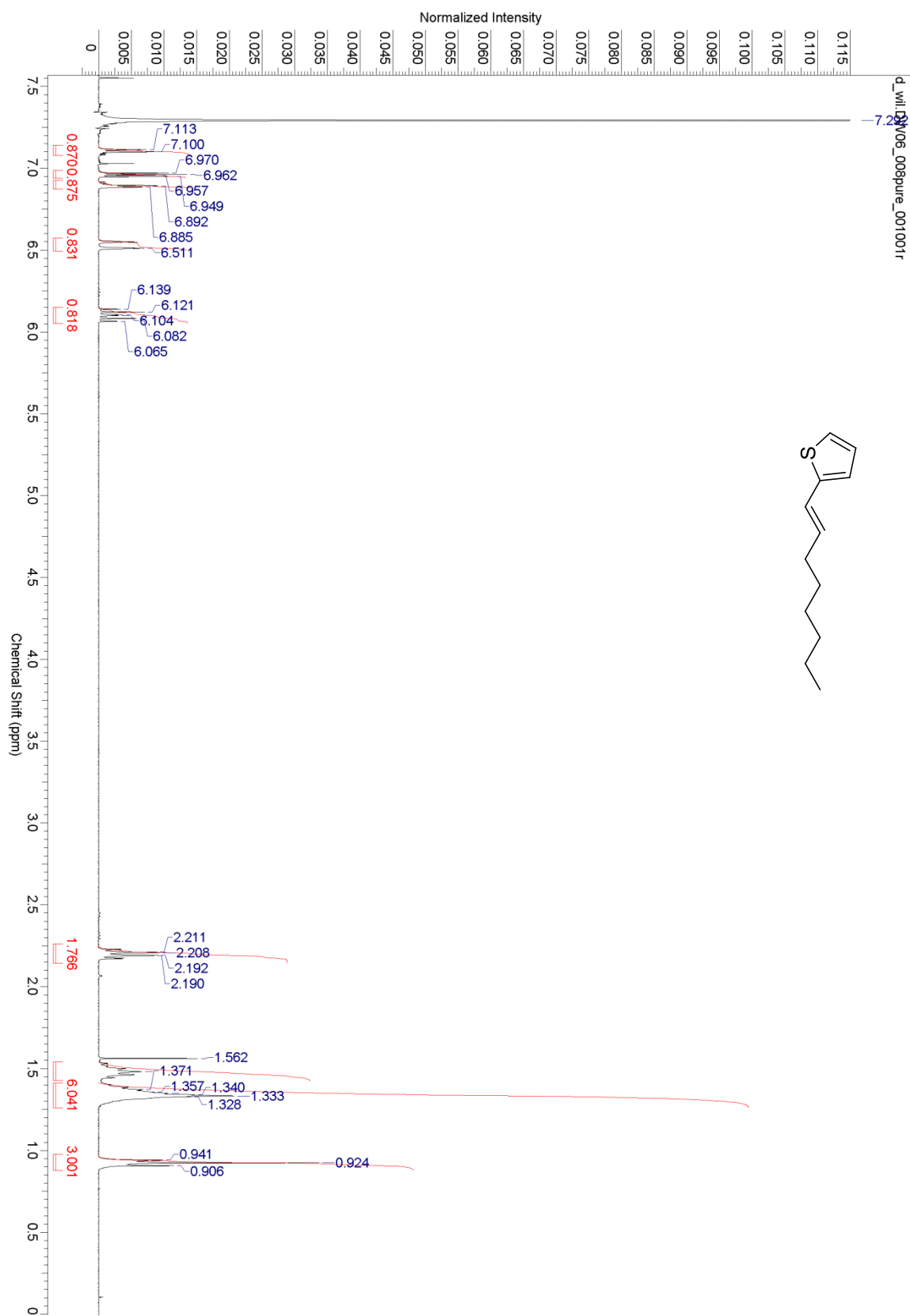


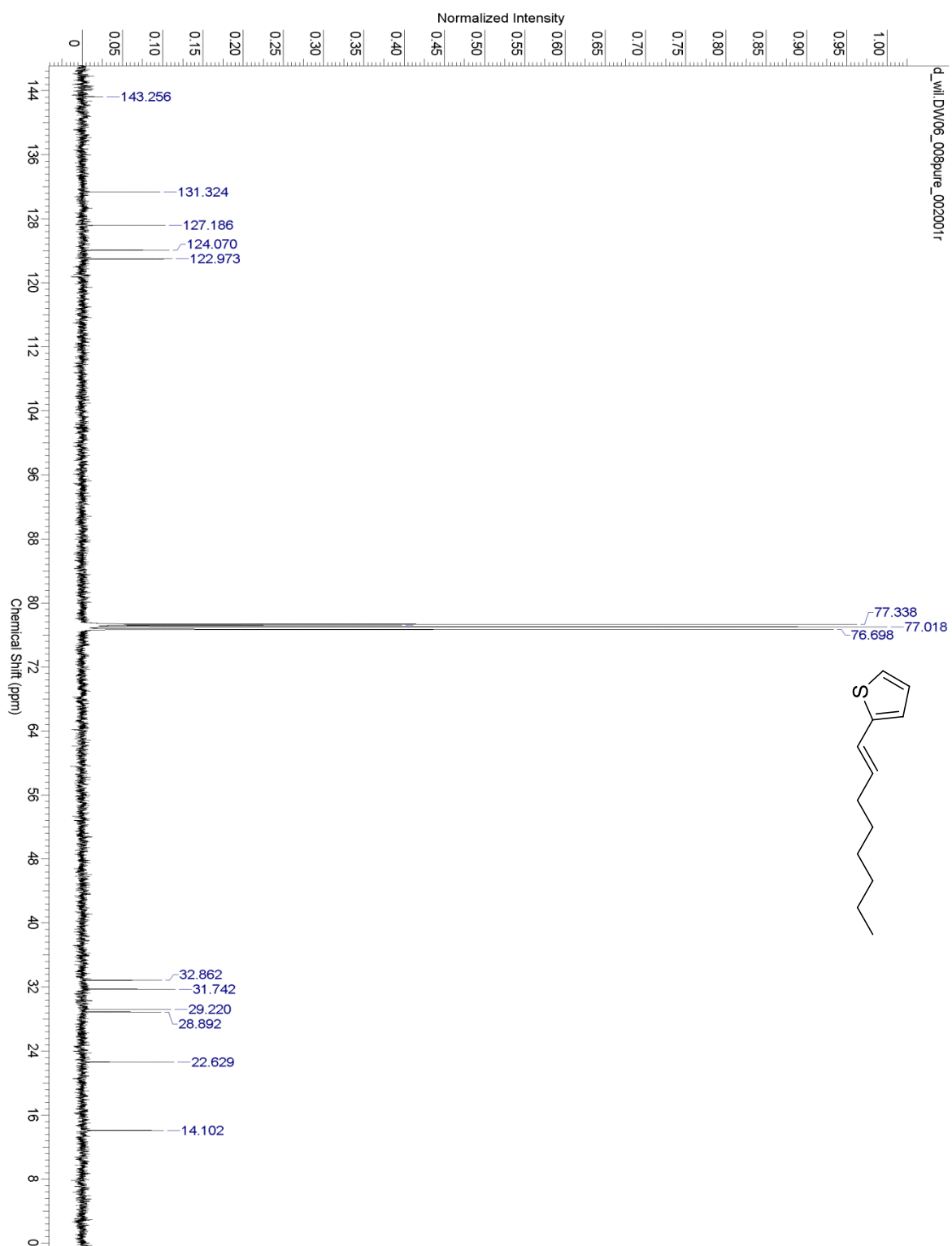
(E)-6-(oct-1-en-1-yl)quinolone, 30



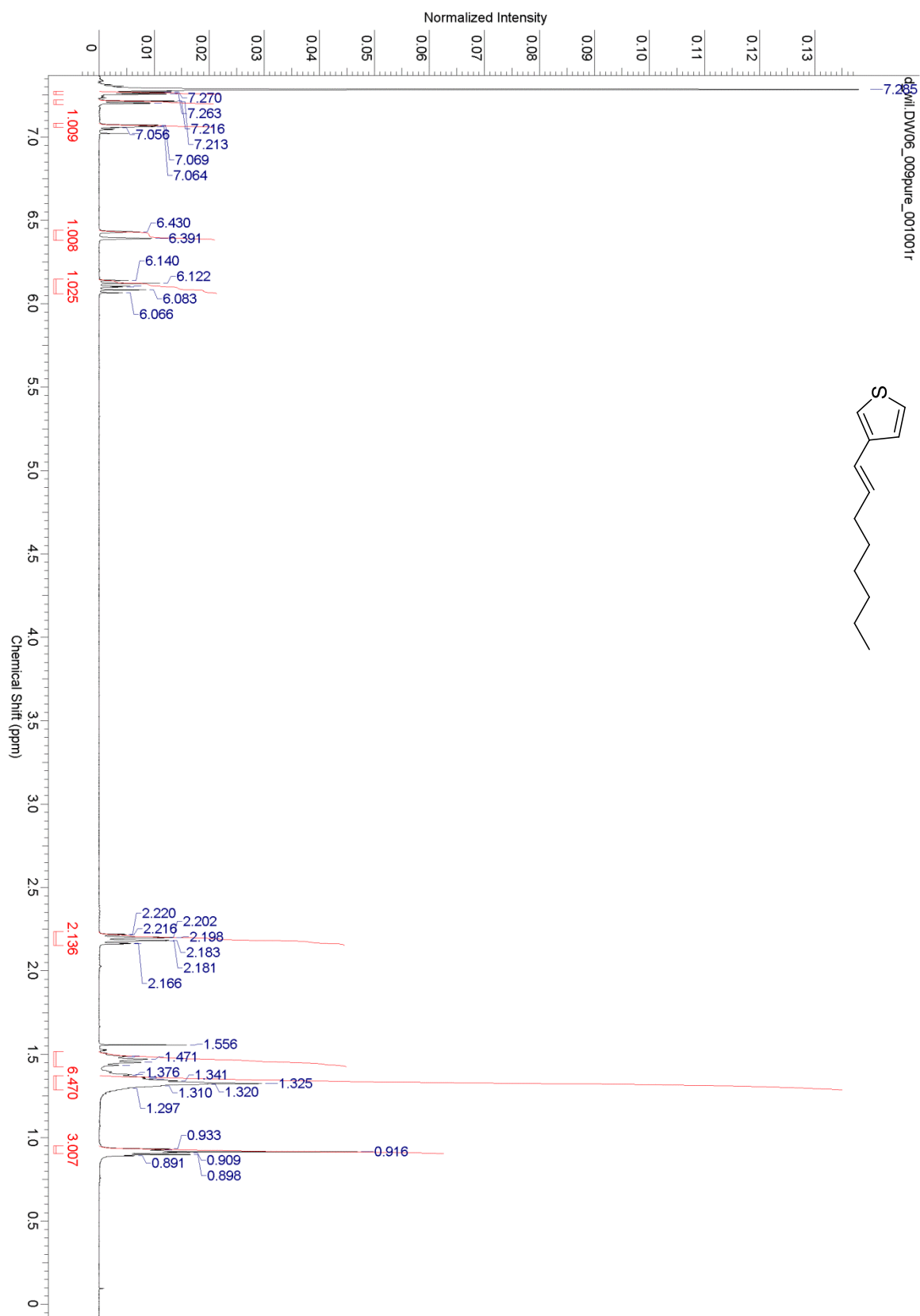


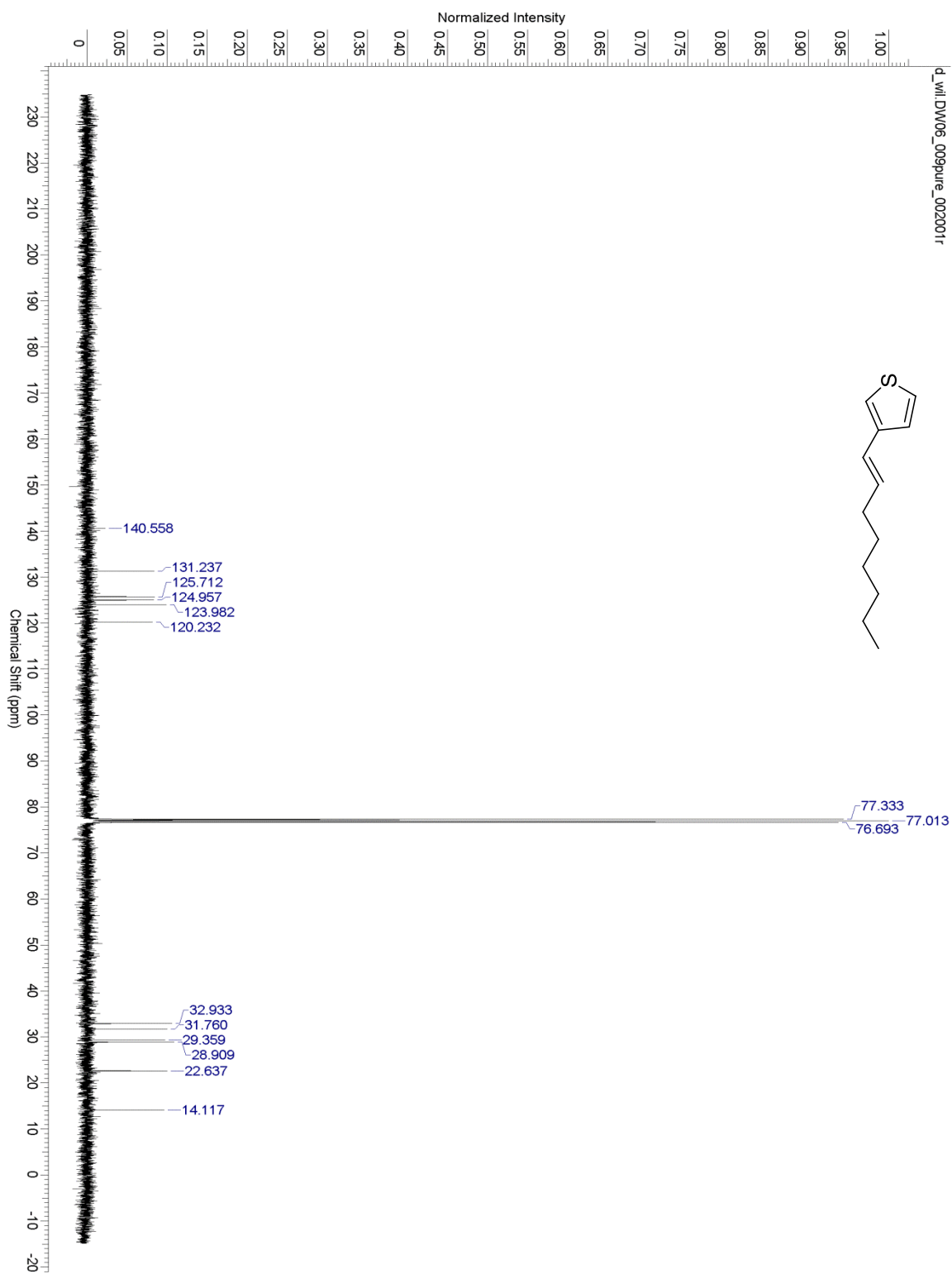
(E)-2-(oct-1-en-1-yl)thiophene, 31



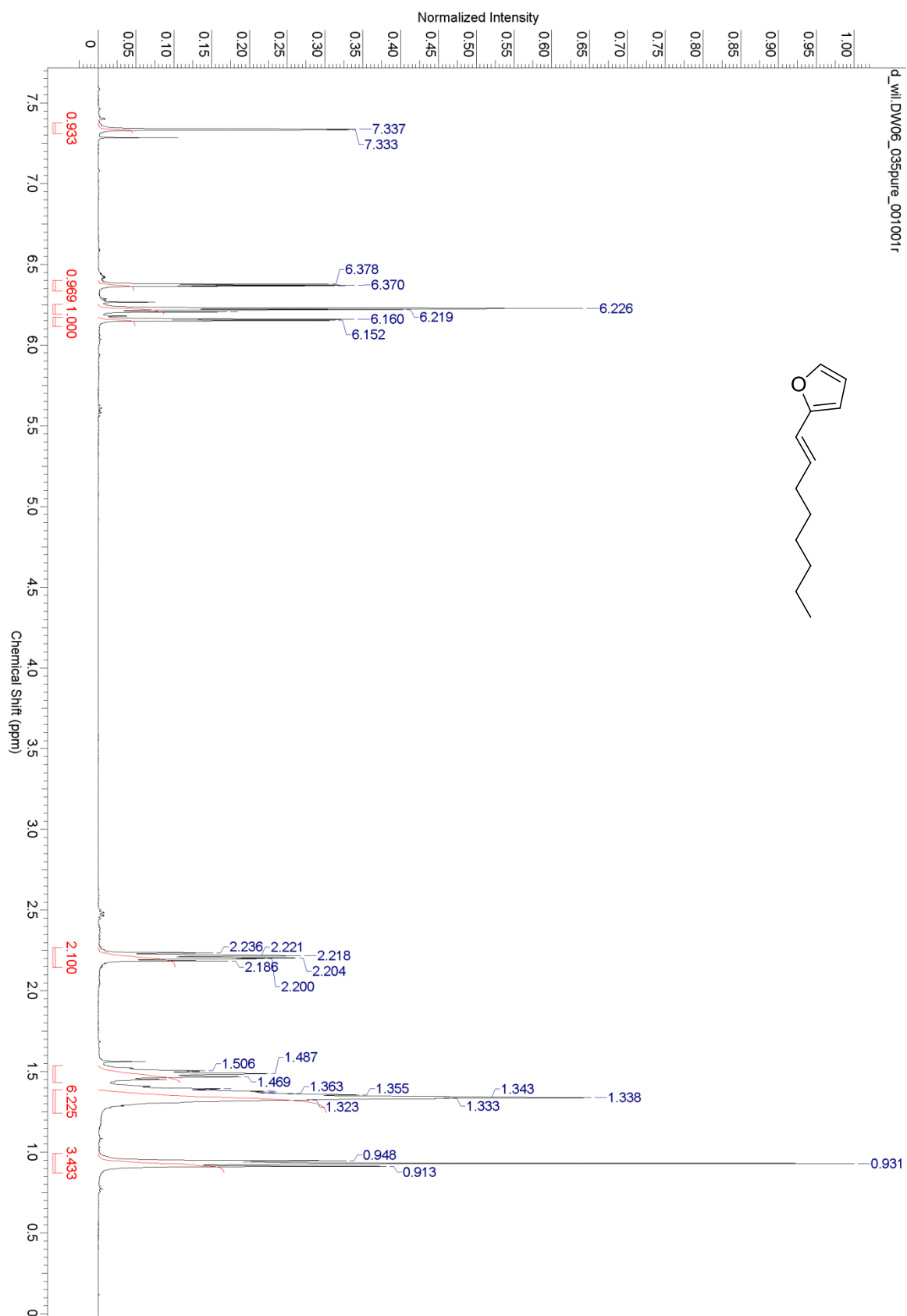


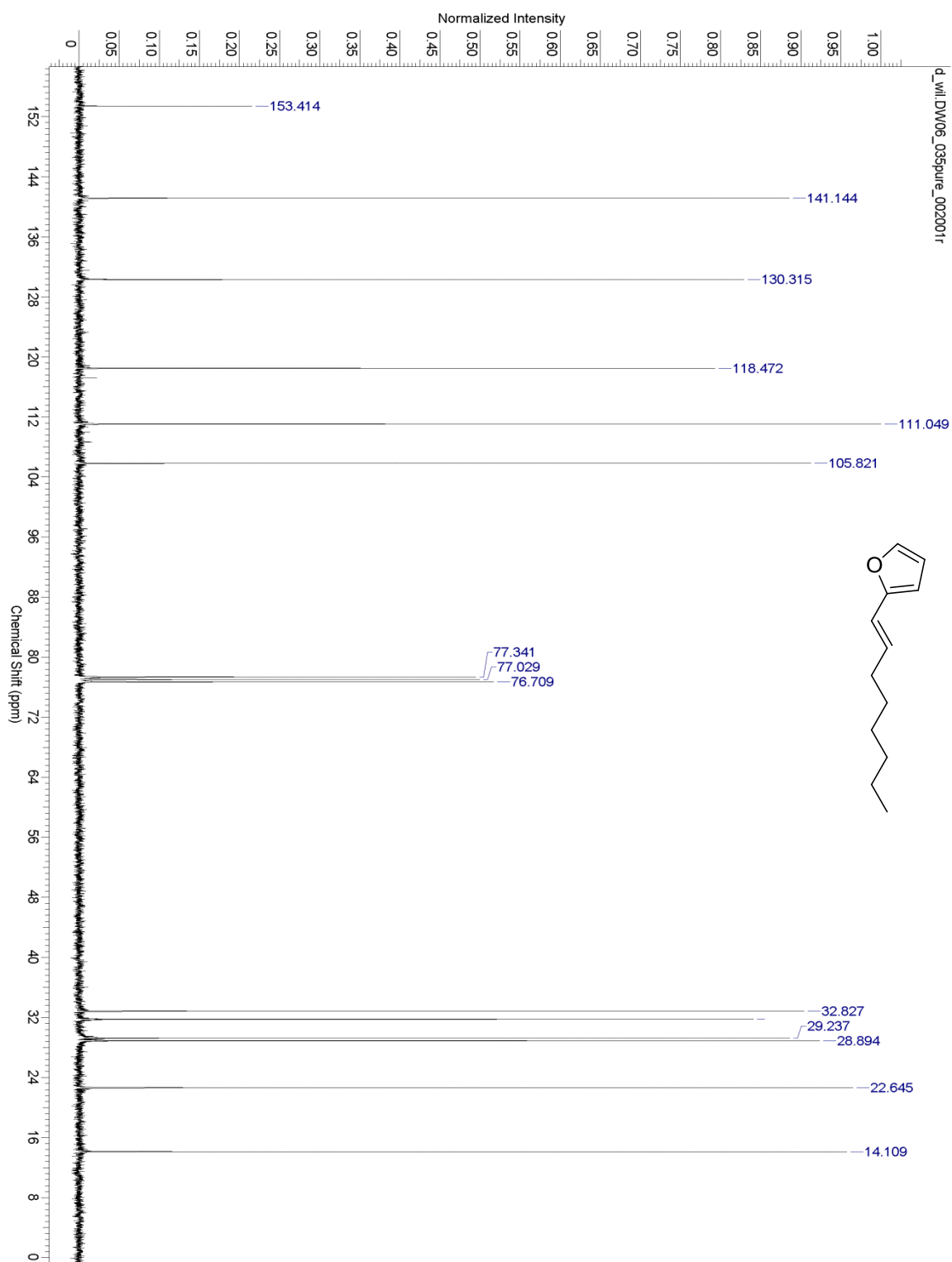
(E)-3-(oct-1-en-1-yl)thiophene, 32



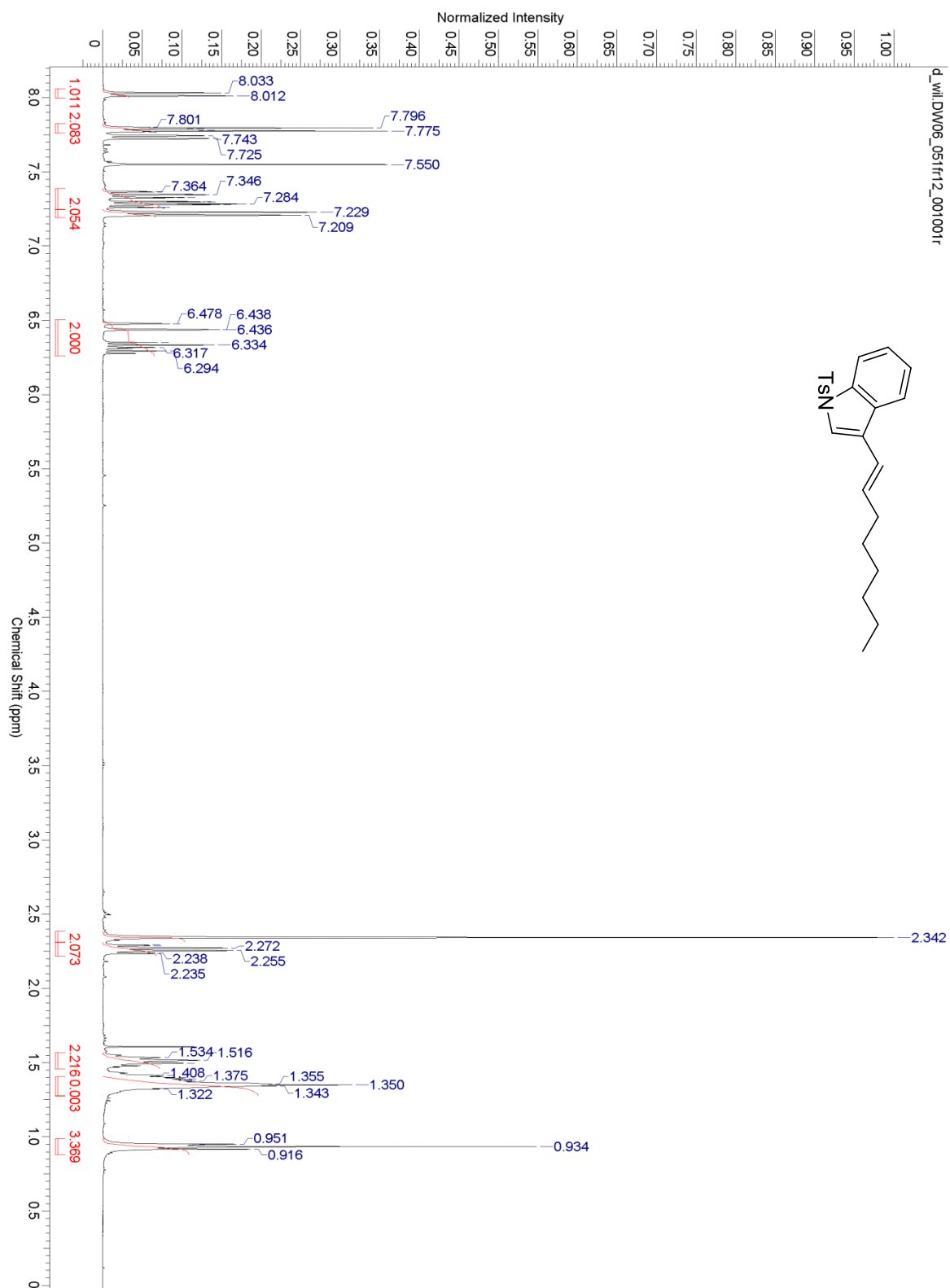


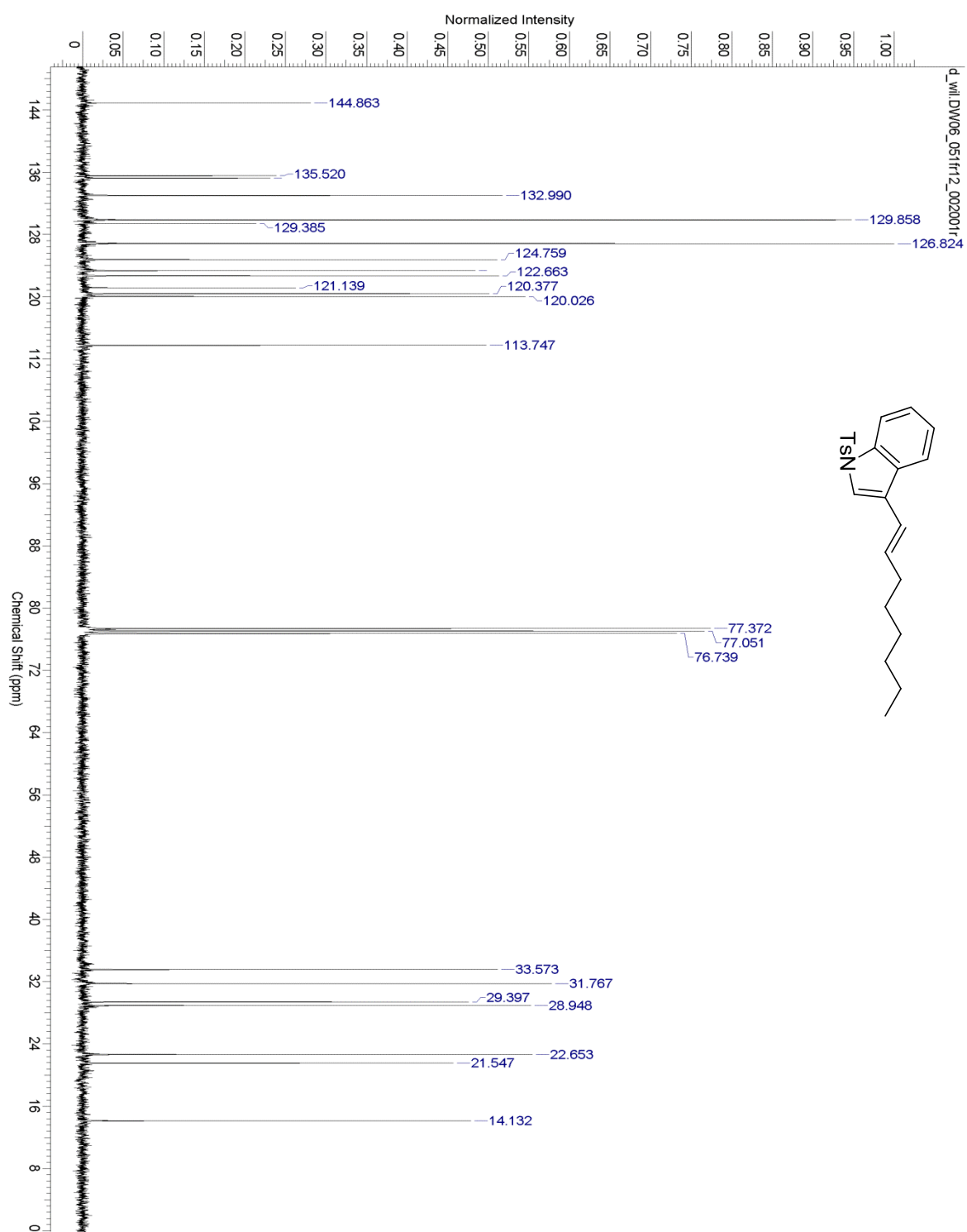
(E)-2-(oct-1-en-1-yl)furan, 33





(E)-3-(oct-1-en-1-yl)-1-tosyl-1H-indole, 34





References

- S1. D. L. Schmidt, E. E., Flagg, *Inorg. Chem.* **1967**, *6*, 1262.
- S2. Tobisu, M.; Yamakawa, K.; Shimasaki, T.; Chatani, N. *Chem. Commun.* **2011**, *47*, 2946.
- S3. Cahiez, G.; Gager, O.; Lecomte, F. *Org. Lett.* **2008**, *10*, 5255.
- S4. N. Miyaura, T. Ishiyama, M. Ishikawa, A. Suzuki, *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1986**, *27*, 52, 6369.
- S5. Lauer, A. M.; Mahmud, F.; Wu, J. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2011**, *133*, 9119.
- S6. Delcamp, J. H.; White, M. C. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2006**, *128*, 15076.
- S7. I. Uchida, Y. Itoh, T. Namiki, M. Nishikawa, M. Hashimoto, *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1986**, *27*, 18, 2015.
- S8. G. Lui, S. S. Stahl, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2007**, *129*, 19, 6328.
- S9. V. Polshetiwar, P. Heseman, J. J. E. Moreau, *Tetrahedron*, **2007**, *63*, 29, 6784.
- S10. A. R. Katritzky, D. Cheng and J. Li, *J. Org. Chem.* **1998**, *63*, 10, 343.
- S11. K. Tamao, K. Kobayashi, I. Yoshihiko, *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1989**, *30*, 44, 6051.
- S12. F. Berthiol, H. Doucet, M. Santelli, *Tetrahedron Lett.* **2003**, *44*, 6, 1221.
- S13. B. H. Lipshutz, B. Frieman, *Tetrahedron*, **2004**, *60*, 6, 1309.
- S14. Y. Fall, F. Berthiol, H. Doucet, M. Santelli, *Synthesis*, **2007**, *11*, 1683.
- S15. B. Huang, W. Hao, M-Z. Cai, P. Wang, *J. Organomet. Chem.* **2011**, *696*, 13, 2685.
- S16. A. T. Lindhardt, T. M. Gogsig, T. Skrydstrup *J. Org. Chem.* **2009**, *74*, 1, 135.
- S17. J. Mulzer, M. Zippel, *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1980**, *21*, 751.
- S18. A. Mori, M. Suguro, *Synlett*, **2001**, *6*, 845.
- S19. M. G. Organ, J. T. Cooper, L. R. Rogers, F. Soleymanzadeh, T. Payl, *J. Org. Chem.* **2000**, *65*, 23, 7959.
- S20. SX - C-M. Ting, Y-L. Hsu, R-S. Liu, *Chem. Commun.* **2012**, *48*, 52, 6577.
- S21. G. R. Peh, E. A. B. Kantchev, J-C. Er, J. Y. Ying, *Chem. Eur. J.* **2010**, *16*, 13, 4010.
- S22. E. Schulz, P. Kinderli, A. Perrard, M. Lemaire, *Applied Catalysis, A: General*, **1996**, *144*, 1-2, 293.