

Supporting information

Meta non-flat substituents: A novel molecular design to improving aqueous solubility in small molecule drug discovery

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Supplementary Table 1. List of melting points of disubstituted benzenes with medicinal chemistry-friendly substituents.

a) The order of melting points among the regioisomers.

		Substituent 1																				
		Non Flat										Flat										
		Me	Et	t-Bu	F	Cl	Br	CF ₃	CN	NH ₂	OH	OMe	SO ₂ NH ₂	SO ₂ Me	Ph	CO ₂ H	Ac	NO ₂	CONH ₂	NHAc	NMe ₂	
Substituent 2	Non Flat	H mono	-95.6	-95.0	-57.9	-42.2	-45.2	-30.7	-31.2	-12.8	-6.0	44.9	-37.1	156.0	90.0	70.3	122.0	20.5	5.8	128.0	114.0	2.5
		Me	ortho	-25.2	-80.7	-50.3	-62.5	-35.9	-27.5	-	-10.5	-14.4	31.0	-34.1	156.3	57.4	-0.2	103.4	-	-3.6	145.0	111.0
		meta	-47.9	-95.7	-41.4	-89.2	-47.8	-38.1	-	-23.0	-30.8	12.2	-55.5	108.0	35.0	4.5	109.3	-	15.9	94.5	65.9	-
		para	13.3	-62.7	-52.5	-56.6	7.4	26.2	-	28.0	43.3	34.8	-31.6	138.0	88.0	48.1	180.0	-19.0	51.7	162.5	151.0	-
		Et	ortho	-31.4	-	-	-93.3	-67.5	-	-23.6	-47.0	18.0	73.0	127.0	-	-6.1	75.6	-19.0	-12.2	153.5	114.0	-
		meta	-83.9	-75.4	-	-55.0	-	-	-	-64.0	0.0	-5.0	89.0	-	-27.6	47.6	-	-37.9	92.0	34.0	-	-
		para	-43.3	-38.4	-	-62.5	-43.4	-	-24.2	-5.1	45.0	-	109.0	44.0	34.5	112.0	-24.3	-12.3	164.7	94.5	-	-
		t-Bu	ortho	27.5	-	-	-	-	-	-60.0	-5.6	-	-	69.5	38.0	80.5	-	-2.6	-	165.0	2.8	-
		meta	10.6	-	-27.3	-	-	-	-	47.0	-	-	-	-	127.3	-	0.4	130.0	102.5	-	-	-
		para	77.6	-	23.9	19.0	-	-	15.0	100.0	19.1	139.6	95.0	53.0	164.0	17.7	28.4	174.0	173.3	-	-	-
		F	ortho	-47.1	-43.0	14.5	-51.2	-	-29.0	16.1	-39.0	158.3	50.0	73.5	124.2	-	-6.0	117.5	79.5	-	-	-
		meta	-69.1	-	-	-81.5	-16.1	-	14.0	-35.0	129.5	42.0	27.0	123.6	-	41.0	128.0	84.6	-	-	-	-
		para	-23.5	-26.8	-17.4	-41.7	34.8	-1.9	48.0	-45.0	126.0	80.0	74.2	183.9	-45.0	26.5	154.6	151.1	30.0	-	-	-
		Cl	ortho	-17.0	-12.6	-6.0	43.5	-2.3	8.0	-26.6	188.3	94.2	31.8	140.4	66.0	32.1	141.8	86.7	-	-	-	-
		meta	-24.8	-21.4	-56.0	41.0	-10.3	32.5	-	148.0	108.0	16.0	154.2	-	43.6	133.8	76.6	-	-	-	-	-
		para	53.1	64.8	-33.0	91.6	70.4	43.1	-18.0	146.0	98.0	75.4	239.5	18.4	62.2	180.0	178.4	35.5	-	-	-	-
		Br	ortho	6.0	-	55.5	30.9	5.6	2.5	186.0	108.5	0.8	149.0	50.6	38.5	161.5	99.2	-	-	-	-	-
		meta	-6.9	1.0	39.5	18.5	33.0	-	154.0	103.0	9.0	156.7	8.0	54.0	156.5	87.5	11.0	-	-	-	-	-
		para	87.3	-	114.0	78.2	63.0	13.4	166.5	105.0	87.0	254.0	51.0	133.0	192.5	168.0	55.0	-	-	-	-	-
		CF ₃	ortho	-	-	18.0	35.5	45.5	-14.1	185.0	75.0	15.0	109.0	-	32.5	163.0	96.5	-	-	-	-	-
	meta	-	-	14.5	5.5	-0.9	-65.0	122.0	60.0	26.5	104.0	89.0	-2.4	121.0	103.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	para	2.8	37.5	38.0	47.0	-9.1	184.0	101.0	71.5	220.0	29.0	43.0	187.5	152.4	70.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	CN	ortho	103.0	173.5	6.2	157.0	87.0	49.1	144.6	20.0	71.0	110.5	133.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	meta	162.0	53.0	82.8	23.0	153.0	105.0	49.0	223.0	98.5	116.6	224.0	131.0	27.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	para	224.0	86.2	113.0	62.0	173.2	142.8	88.0	220.0	59.0	147.5	227.0	206.5	75.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	NH ₂	ortho	103.0	173.5	6.2	157.0	87.0	49.1	144.6	20.0	71.0	110.5	133.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	meta	65.5	122.5	-1.0	140.2	73.0	31.5	179.7	98.5	112.0	117.5	88.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	para	140.3	186.0	57.8	166.1	138.0	51.0	188.2	105.0	147.7	183.0	166.5	53.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	OH	ortho	104.6	28.3	141.0	87.5	57.5	158.6	2.5	44.9	140.0	209.0	44.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	meta	109.8	-	166.0	84.0	75.3	201.3	94.0	95.0	170.5	148.5	86.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	para	173.0	54.0	178.0	96.5	168.0	213.0	108.2	113.8	162.0	168.0	77.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	OMe	ortho	22.5	171.0	93.5	29.0	100.9	34.0	9.4	129.5	87.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	meta	-35.3	130.0	47.0	88.0	107.0	60.0	38.0	134.0	81.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	para	56.2	116.0	122.0	90.0	184.0	39.0	54.0	166.4	127.2	48.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	SO ₂ NH ₂	ortho	254.0	-	120.5	159.0	-	193.7	-	163.0	106.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	meta	229.0	210.0	131.0	249.0	138.0	168.0	176.0	217.0	175.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	para	289.0	244.0	228.0	291.0	178.0	181.0	238.0	219.0	216.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	SO ₂ Me	ortho	228.0	101.0	140.0	103.0	136.0	155.0	147.0	95.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	meta	200.0	85.0	236.5	106.0	148.0	177.0	142.5	85.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	para	261.0	145.0	274.5	129.0	142.5	226.5	188.0	168.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Ph	ortho	56.2	112.0	56.0	37.0	175.0	121.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	meta	86.9	162.5	36.0	61.0	173.0	149.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	para	213.8	228.8	121.0	112.9	223.0	171.2	126.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	CO ₂ H	ortho	207.0	114.5	147.0	28.5	187.5	72.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	meta	348.0	172.0	141.3	81.0	249.0	152.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	para	440.0	208.0	241.0	80.0	256.5	242.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Ac	ortho	42.0	28.5	116.5	77.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	meta	32.0	81.0	126.5	129.0	43.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	para	113.0	80.0	192.0	169.0	105.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	NO ₂	ortho	115.8	176.6	93.0	-20.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	meta	90.8	143.3	154.5	60.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	para	171.1	190.0	216.0	164.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	CONH ₂	ortho	222.0	190.0	140.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	meta	280.0	219.5	153.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	para	322.3	274.5	208.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	NHAc	ortho	188.7	73.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	meta	188.0	86.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	para	310.0	132.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	NMe ₂	ortho	8.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	meta	-2.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	para	51.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

Red and blue figures indicate the lowest and the highest melting point among the three regioisomers, respectively. For definitions of “flat” and “non-flat”, see Supplementary Table 2.

b) List of reference sources of melting points

		Substituent 1																				
		Me	Et	t-Bu	F	Cl	Br	CF ₃	CN	NH ₂	OH	OMe	SO ₂ NH ₂	SO ₂ Me	Ph	CO ₂ H	Ac	NO ₂	CONH ₂	NHAc	NMe ₂	
Substituent 2	H	<i>mono</i>	-95.6	-95.0	-57.9	-42.2	-45.2	-30.7	-31.2	-12.8	-6.0	44.9	-37.1	156.0	90.0	70.3	122.0	20.5	5.8	128.0	114.0	2.5
	Me	<i>ortho</i>	-25.2	-80.7	-50.3	-62.5	-35.9	-27.5	-	-10.5	-14.4	31.0	-34.1	156.3	57.4	-0.2	103.4	-	-3.6	145.0	111.0	-61.3
		<i>meta</i>	-47.9	-95.7	-41.4	-89.2	-47.8	-38.1	-	-23.0	-30.8	12.2	-55.5	108.0	35.0	4.5	109.3	-	15.9	94.5	65.9	-
		<i>para</i>	13.3	-62.7	-52.5	-56.6	7.4	26.2	-	28.0	43.3	34.8	-31.6	138.0	88.0	48.1	180.0	-19.0	51.7	162.5	151.0	-
	Et	<i>ortho</i>	-31.4	-	-	-83.3	-67.5	-	-23.6	-47.0	18.0	73.0	127.0	-	-6.1	75.6	-19.0	-12.2	153.5	114.0	-	-
		<i>meta</i>	-83.9	-75.4	-	-55.0	-	-	-	-64.0	0.0	-5.0	89.0	-	-27.6	47.6	-	-37.9	92.0	34.0	-	-
		<i>para</i>	-43.3	-38.4	-	-62.5	-43.4	-	-24.2	-5.1	45.0	-	109.0	44.0	34.5	112.0	-24.3	-12.3	164.7	94.5	-	-
	t-Bu	<i>ortho</i>	27.5	-	-	-	-	-	-60.0	-5.6	-	-	69.5	38.0	80.5	-	-2.6	-	165.0	2.8	-	-
		<i>meta</i>	10.6	-	-27.3	-	-	-	-	47.0	-	-	-	-	-	127.3	-	0.4	130.0	102.5	-	-
		<i>para</i>	77.6	-	23.9	19.0	-	-	15.0	100.0	19.1	139.6	95.0	53.0	164.0	17.7	28.4	174.0	173.3	-	-	-
	F	<i>ortho</i>	-47.1	-43.0	14.5	-51.2	-	-	-29.0	16.1	-39.0	158.5	50.0	73.5	124.2	-	-6.0	117.5	79.5	-	-	-
		<i>meta</i>	-69.1	-	-	-81.5	-16.1	-	14.0	-35.0	129.5	42.0	27.0	123.6	-	127.3	-	41.0	128.0	84.6	-	-
		<i>para</i>	-23.5	-26.8	-17.4	-41.7	34.8	-1.9	48.0	-45.0	126.0	80.0	74.2	183.9	-45.0	26.5	154.6	151.1	30.0	-	-	-
	Cl	<i>ortho</i>	-17.0	-12.6	-6.0	43.5	-2.3	8.0	-26.6	188.3	94.2	31.8	140.4	66.0	32.1	141.8	86.7	-	-	-	-	-
		<i>meta</i>	-24.8	-21.4	-56.0	41.0	-10.3	32.5	-	148.0	108.0	16.0	154.2	-	43.6	133.8	76.6	-	-	-	-	-
		<i>para</i>	53.1	64.8	-33.0	91.6	70.4	43.1	-18.0	146.0	98.0	75.4	239.5	18.4	82.2	180.0	178.4	35.5	-	-	-	-
	Br	<i>ortho</i>	6.0	-	55.5	30.9	5.6	2.5	186.0	108.5	0.8	149.0	50.6	38.5	161.5	99.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
		<i>meta</i>	-6.9	1.0	39.5	18.5	33.0	-	154.0	103.0	9.0	156.7	8.0	54.0	156.5	87.5	11.0	-	-	-	-	-
		<i>para</i>	87.3	-	114.0	78.2	63.0	13.4	166.5	105.0	87.0	254.0	51.0	133.0	192.5	168.0	55.0	-	-	-	-	-
	CF ₃	<i>ortho</i>	-	-	18.0	35.5	45.5	-14.1	185.0	75.0	15.0	109.0	-	32.5	163.0	96.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
		<i>meta</i>	-	-	14.5	5.5	-0.9	-65.0	122.0	60.0	26.5	104.0	89.0	-2.4	121.0	103.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
		<i>para</i>	2.8	37.5	38.0	47.0	-9.1	184.0	101.0	71.5	220.0	29.0	43.0	187.5	152.4	70.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
	CN	<i>ortho</i>	140.9	51.0	98.0	59.0	160.0	104.0	39.0	190.0	49.0	115.0	173.0	199.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		<i>meta</i>	162.0	53.0	82.8	23.0	153.0	105.0	49.0	223.0	98.5	116.6	224.0	131.0	27.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>para</i>		224.0	86.2	113.0	62.0	173.2	142.8	88.0	220.0	59.0	147.5	227.0	206.5	75.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
NH ₂	<i>ortho</i>	103.0	173.5	6.2	157.0	87.0	49.1	144.6	20.0	71.0	110.5	133.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>meta</i>	65.5	122.5	-1.0	140.2	73.0	31.5	179.7	98.5	112.0	117.5	88.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>para</i>	140.3	186.0	57.8	166.1	138.0	51.0	188.2	105.0	147.7	183.0	166.5	53.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
OH	<i>ortho</i>	104.6	28.3	141.0	87.5	57.5	158.6	2.5	44.9	140.0	209.0	44.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>meta</i>	109.8	-	166.0	84.0	75.3	201.3	94.0	95.0	170.5	148.5	86.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>para</i>	173.0	54.0	178.0	96.5	168.0	213.0	108.2	113.8	162.0	168.0	77.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
OMe	<i>ortho</i>	22.5	171.0	93.5	29.0	100.9	34.0	9.4	129.5	87.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>meta</i>	-35.3	130.0	47.0	88.0	107.0	60.0	38.0	134.0	81.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>para</i>	56.2	116.0	122.0	90.0	184.0	39.0	54.0	166.4	127.2	48.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
SO ₂ NH ₂	<i>ortho</i>	254.0	-	120.5	159.0	-	193.7	-	163.0	106.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>meta</i>	229.0	210.0	131.0	249.0	138.0	168.0	176.0	217.0	175.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>para</i>	289.0	244.0	228.0	291.0	178.0	181.0	238.0	219.0	216.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
SO ₂ Me	<i>ortho</i>	228.0	101.0	140.0	103.0	136.0	155.0	147.0	95.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>meta</i>	200.0	85.0	236.5	106.0	148.0	177.0	142.5	85.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>para</i>	261.0	145.0	274.5	129.0	142.5	226.5	188.0	168.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Ph	<i>ortho</i>	56.2	112.0	56.0	37.0	175.0	121.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>meta</i>	86.9	162.5	36.0	61.0	173.0	149.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>para</i>	213.8	228.8	121.0	112.9	223.0	171.2	126.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
CO ₂ H	<i>ortho</i>	207.0	114.5	147.0	28.5	187.5	72.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>meta</i>	348.0	172.0	141.3	81.0	249.0	152.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>para</i>	440.0	208.0	241.0	80.0	256.5	242.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Ac	<i>ortho</i>	42.0	28.5	116.5	77.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>meta</i>	32.0	81.0	126.5	129.0	43.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>para</i>	113.0	80.0	192.0	169.0	105.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
NO ₂	<i>ortho</i>	115.8	176.6	93.0	-20.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>meta</i>	90.8	143.3	154.5	60.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>para</i>	171.1	190.0	216.0	164.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
CONH ₂	<i>ortho</i>	222.0	190.0	140.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>meta</i>	280.0	219.5	153.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>para</i>	322.3	274.5	208.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
NHAc	<i>ortho</i>	188.7	73.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>meta</i>	188.0	86.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>para</i>	310.0	132.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
NMe ₂	<i>ortho</i>	8.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>meta</i>	-2.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	<i>para</i>	51.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

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A blank column means that the melting points were not available in these three databases.

Supplementary Table 2. Dihedral angles of disubstituted benzenes with substituents bearing an sp² atom

R ¹	R ²	CSD refcode	Measured dihedral angles				Corrected dihedral angles				Absolute difference value				result	
			reference	1	2	3	reference	1	2'	3'	1	2'	3'	Mean		
Ph	H	-	BIPHN	0.1	-0.1	180.0	180.0	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	Flat
Ph	Br	<i>para</i>	BRBIPH	15.6	23.8	-161.5	-159.1	15.6	23.8	18.5	20.9	8.2	2.9	5.3	5.5	Flat
Ph	OH	<i>ortho</i>	FIFMAI	-58.9	-54.3	123.3	123.4	-58.9	-54.3	-56.7	-56.6	4.6	2.3	2.4	3.1	Flat
Ph	OH	<i>para</i>	BOPSAA02	-2.8	-2.7	176.9	177.6	-2.8	-2.7	-3.1	-2.4	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.2	Flat
Ph	Ph	<i>ortho</i>	TERPHO02	-63.3	-60.6	119.9	116.2	-63.3	-60.6	-60.1	-63.8	2.7	3.2	0.5	2.1	Flat
Ph	Ph	<i>meta</i>	ZZZMTW01	-30.5	-32.1	149.1	148.4	-30.5	-32.1	-31.0	-31.6	1.6	0.5	1.1	1.1	Flat
Ph	Ph	<i>para</i>	TERPE01	-0.7	-1.3	178.8	179.2	-0.7	-1.3	-1.2	-0.8	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.3	Flat
Ph	COOH	<i>ortho</i>	NOZVIH	-46.4	-46.7	131.7	135.2	-46.4	-46.7	-48.3	-44.8	0.3	1.9	1.6	1.3	Flat
Ph	COOH	<i>meta</i>	TEJMAW01	-31.5	-31.5	148.0	149.1	-31.5	-31.5	-32.0	-31.0	0.1	0.5	0.6	0.4	Flat
Ph	COOH	<i>para</i>	BOPSEE10	35.1	35.4	-145.3	-144.1	35.1	35.4	34.7	35.9	0.3	0.4	0.9	0.5	Flat
Ph	NO ₂	<i>ortho</i>	LESYEN	-63.0	-63.3	115.2	118.6	-63.0	-63.3	-64.9	-61.4	0.3	1.9	1.6	1.3	Flat
Ph	NO ₂	<i>meta</i>	ZENKIM	-25.3	-27.7	154.2	152.8	-25.3	-27.7	-25.8	-27.2	2.4	0.5	1.9	1.6	Flat
Ph	NO ₂	<i>para</i>	NBPHEN	-32.5	-32.3	149.2	146.1	-32.5	-32.3	-30.8	-34.0	0.2	1.7	1.5	1.1	Flat
COOH	Me	<i>ortho</i>	OTOLIC02	1.5	1.7	-178.1	-178.7	1.5	1.7	1.9	1.3	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.2	Flat
COOH	Me	<i>meta</i>	ZZZKI01	-2.9	-3.5	176.2	177.5	-2.9	-3.5	-3.8	-2.5	0.6	0.9	0.3	0.6	Flat
COOH	Me	<i>para</i>	PTOLIC	2.8	3.0	-177.4	-178.9	2.8	3.0	2.7	1.2	0.3	0.1	1.6	0.7	Flat
COOH	t-Bu	<i>para</i>	BONLOF	8.5	10.3	-171.0	-173.2	8.5	10.3	9.0	6.8	1.7	0.5	1.7	1.3	Flat
COOH	F	<i>ortho</i>	FBENZA02	-9.8	-10.4	170.7	169.1	-9.8	-10.4	-9.3	-10.9	0.6	0.5	1.1	0.7	Flat
COOH	F	<i>meta</i>	COVJIG	-5.0	-6.7	174.7	173.6	-5.0	-6.7	-5.3	-6.4	1.7	0.3	1.4	1.2	Flat
COOH	F	<i>para</i>	PFBAZAD01	-6.1	-6.5	174.0	173.4	-6.1	-6.5	-6.0	-6.6	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.3	Flat
COOH	Cl	<i>ortho</i>	CLBZAC01	-14.6	-14.4	167.4	163.7	-14.6	-14.4	-12.6	-16.3	0.2	1.9	1.8	1.3	Flat
COOH	Cl	<i>meta</i>	MCBZAC	2.1	-1.2	-179.3	-179.9	2.1	-1.2	0.7	0.1	3.3	1.4	2.0	2.2	Flat
COOH	Cl	<i>para</i>	CLBZAP01	-5.0	-6.1	175.3	173.6	-5.0	-6.1	-4.7	-6.4	1.1	0.3	1.4	0.9	Flat
COOH	Br	<i>meta</i>	BRBZAC	-19.5	-16.4	162.9	161.2	-19.5	-16.4	-17.1	-18.8	3.1	2.4	0.7	2.0	Flat
COOH	Br	<i>para</i>	BRBZAP	6.5	3.8	-175.4	-174.3	6.5	3.8	4.6	5.7	2.8	2.0	0.8	1.9	Flat
COOH	CF ₃	<i>ortho</i>	UNUZIN	16.7	16.4	-164.4	-162.5	16.7	16.4	15.6	17.5	0.3	1.1	0.8	0.7	Flat
COOH	CN	<i>para</i>	TAGNAR	7.7	7.2	-173.1	-171.9	7.7	7.2	6.9	8.1	0.5	0.8	0.4	0.6	Flat
COOH	NH ₂	<i>ortho</i>	AMBAC008	3.2	3.1	-177.4	-176.4	3.2	3.1	2.6	3.6	0.1	0.6	0.4	0.4	Flat
COOH	NH ₂	<i>meta</i>	AMBZAC	-7.9	-7.0	172.9	172.2	-7.9	-7.0	-7.1	-7.8	1.0	0.8	0.1	0.7	Flat
COOH	NH ₂	<i>para</i>	AMBNAC04	10.4	9.3	-170.2	-170.1	10.4	9.3	9.8	9.9	1.1	0.6	0.5	0.7	Flat
COOH	OH	<i>ortho</i>	SALIAC	0.5	1.1	178.8	179.6	0.5	1.1	-1.2	-0.4	0.7	1.6	0.9	1.1	Flat
COOH	OH	<i>meta</i>	BIODLOP	-1.1	-0.1	179.2	179.6	-1.1	-0.1	-0.8	-0.4	1.0	0.3	0.7	0.7	Flat
COOH	OMe	<i>ortho</i>	FUFBOX	4.3	5.9	-174.8	-175.0	4.3	5.9	5.2	5.0	1.6	0.9	0.7	1.1	Flat
COOH	OMe	<i>para</i>	ANISIC02	2.3	1.2	-176.3	-179.8	2.3	1.2	3.7	0.2	1.0	1.5	2.1	1.5	Flat
COOH	SO ₂ Me	<i>para</i>	COBFUU	4.9	5.5	-174.6	-175.9	4.9	5.5	5.4	4.1	0.6	0.5	0.9	0.6	Flat
COOH	Ph	<i>ortho</i>	NOZVIH	-50.2	-49.6	130.8	129.4	-50.2	-49.6	-49.2	-50.6	0.6	1.0	0.3	0.7	Flat
COOH	Ph	<i>meta</i>	TEJMAW	-1.3	-2.6	176.9	179.3	-1.3	-2.6	-3.1	-0.7	1.2	1.8	0.6	1.2	Flat
COOH	Ph	<i>para</i>	BOPSEE11	4.1	5.4	-173.3	-177.3	4.1	5.4	6.8	2.7	1.3	2.7	1.4	1.8	Flat
COOH	COOH	<i>ortho</i>	PHTHAC01	-33.7	-30.2	154.2	141.8	-33.7	-30.2	-25.8	-38.2	3.5	7.9	4.5	5.3	Flat
COOH	COOH	<i>meta</i>	BENZDC01	-4.3	-4.2	175.3	176.2	-4.3	-4.2	-4.7	-3.8	0.1	0.4	0.5	0.3	Flat
COOH	COOH	<i>para</i>	TEPPTH	5.2	5.2	-175.4	-174.2	5.2	5.2	4.6	5.8	0.0	0.6	0.6	0.4	Flat
COOH	Ac	<i>meta</i>	QUYREI	-2.4	-3.2	176.2	178.2	-2.4	-3.2	-3.8	-1.8	0.8	1.4	0.6	0.9	Flat
COOH	Ac	<i>para</i>	TIHLIG	0.4	0.4	179.8	179.8	0.4	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.6	0.6	0.4	Flat
COOH	NO ₂	<i>ortho</i>	NBZAO02	53.9	53.1	-129.3	-123.7	53.9	53.1	50.7	56.3	0.8	3.2	2.4	2.2	Flat
COOH	NO ₂	<i>meta</i>	MNBZAC01	-4.8	-3.0	176.7	175.5	-4.8	-3.0	-3.3	-4.5	1.7	1.5	0.2	1.1	Flat
COOH	NO ₂	<i>para</i>	NBZAC03	-1.2	-1.7	178.2	179.0	-1.2	-1.7	-1.8	-1.0	0.5	0.6	0.2	0.4	Flat
COOH	NMe ₂	<i>meta</i>	TACGUZ	-0.4	-2.0	178.1	179.5	-0.4	-2.0	-1.9	-0.5	1.6	1.5	0.1	1.1	Flat
COOH	NMe ₂	<i>para</i>	PDABZA01	4.0	3.6	-176.8	-175.7	4.0	3.6	3.2	4.3	0.4	0.8	0.3	0.5	Flat
COOH	NHAc	<i>ortho</i>	ACANAC12	-3.5	-4.5	175.3	176.7	-3.5	-4.5	-4.8	-3.3	1.0	1.2	0.2	0.8	Flat
COOH	NHAc	<i>meta</i>	VIDLUQ	6.4	7.2	-175.9	-170.3	6.4	7.2	4.1	9.7	0.8	2.3	3.3	2.1	Flat
COOH	NHAc	<i>para</i>	DIXFAR02	5.5	5.2	-174.7	-174.6	5.5	5.2	5.3	5.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	Flat
Ac	H	-	ACETPH	-3.0	-3.8	175.6	177.7	-3.0	-3.8	-4.4	-2.3	0.9	1.5	0.6	1.0	Flat
Ac	Cl	<i>para</i>	EYISIO	-3.8	-4.5	175.6	176.0	-3.8	-4.5	-4.4	-4.0	0.7	0.6	0.1	0.5	Flat
Ac	Br	<i>para</i>	BRACPH02	8.9	9.1	-172.1	-170.0	8.9	9.1	7.9	10.0	0.1	1.0	1.1	0.7	Flat
Ac	NH ₂	<i>para</i>	AMACPH	-4.2	-3.0	175.3	177.6	-4.2	-3.0	-4.7	-2.4	1.3	0.5	1.8	1.2	Flat
Ac	OH	<i>para</i>	HACTPH12	-1.9	-1.1	177.9	179.1	-1.9	-1.1	-2.1	-0.9	0.8	0.2	1.0	0.7	Flat
Ac	OMe	<i>para</i>	YAJIOJ	1.4	2.3	-179.5	-176.8	1.4	2.3	0.6	3.2	0.9	0.8	1.8	1.2	Flat
Ac	COOH	<i>meta</i>	QUYREI	4.0	4.5	-175.4	-176.0	4.0	4.5	4.6	4.0	0.5	0.5	0.1	0.4	Flat
Ac	COOH	<i>para</i>	TIHLIG	-7.2	-5.9	174.7	172.3	-7.2	-5.9	-5.3	-7.7	1.4	2.0	0.5	1.3	Flat
Ac	Ac	<i>para</i>	MEGWUR	-1.3	-1.6	177.7	179.4	-1.3	-1.6	-2.3	-0.6	0.3	1.0	0.7	0.6	Flat
Ac	NO ₂	<i>meta</i>	HIHHAH	8.0	10.8	-170.7	-170.6	8.0	10.8	9.3	9.4	2.8	1.4	1.4	1.9	Flat
Ac	NO ₂	<i>para</i>	NACPON10	-1.4	-2.5	177.5	178.6	-1.4	-2.5	-2.6	-1.4	1.0	1.1	0.1	0.7	Flat
Ac	NHAc	<i>para</i>	ODATUJ	4.5	3.1	-175.7	-176.8	4.5	3.1	4.3	3.2	1.4	0.1	1.3	0.9	Flat

NO ₂	H	-	NITRBE01	1.7	2.6	-177.5	-178.2	1.7	2.6	2.5	1.8	0.9	0.8	0.1	0.6	Flat
NO ₂	Me	meta	MOVAV01	-5.4	-4.0	176.7	173.9	-5.4	-4.0	-3.3	-6.1	1.5	2.2	0.7	1.4	Flat
NO ₂	Me	para	NITOLU01	-0.9	-1.1	179.1	178.8	-0.9	-1.1	-0.9	-1.2	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.2	Flat
NO ₂	Cl	meta	SETVIX	-39.3	-43.5	141.0	136.2	-39.3	-43.5	-39.0	-43.8	4.2	0.3	4.5	3.0	Flat
NO ₂	Cl	meta	CLNIBZ01	2.9	3.1	-177.4	-176.7	2.9	3.1	2.6	3.3	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.3	Flat
NO ₂	Cl	para	CNITBZ01	0.0	0.4	-178.7	179.1	0.0	0.4	1.3	-0.9	0.4	1.3	0.9	0.9	Flat
NO ₂	Br	ortho	YAQZUM	-45.3	-44.4	134.1	136.3	-45.3	-44.4	-45.9	-43.8	0.9	0.6	1.5	1.0	Flat
NO ₂	Br	meta	BRNIBZ	-0.8	2.4	177.3	175.7	-0.8	2.4	-2.7	-4.3	3.2	1.9	3.5	2.9	Flat
NO ₂	Br	para	ULEBOD	4.1	6.3	-175.4	-174.3	4.1	6.3	4.6	5.7	2.2	0.5	1.6	1.5	Flat
NO ₂	NH ₂	ortho	ONITAN	-0.7	-4.0	176.5	178.9	-0.7	-4.0	-3.5	-1.1	3.3	2.9	0.5	2.2	Flat
NO ₂	NH ₂	meta	MINANL02	-2.7	-2.5	178.0	176.9	-2.7	-2.5	-2.1	-3.1	0.2	0.6	0.5	0.4	Flat
NO ₂	NH ₂	para	NANILI	-2.6	-1.3	178.0	178.2	-2.6	-1.3	-2.0	-1.8	1.3	0.6	0.7	0.9	Flat
NO ₂	OH	ortho	ONITPH	1.6	0.7	-177.9	-179.8	1.6	0.7	2.1	0.2	0.9	0.5	1.4	0.9	Flat
NO ₂	OH	meta	MNPHOL02	0.9	-0.3	179.9	179.3	0.9	-0.3	-0.1	-0.8	1.2	1.0	1.7	1.3	Flat
NO ₂	OH	para	NITPOL03	-1.6	-1.0	178.3	179.1	-1.6	-1.0	-1.7	-0.9	0.5	0.1	0.7	0.4	Flat
NO ₂	SO ₂ NH ₂	ortho	TIBPAW	-47.6	-47.8	133.1	131.5	-47.6	-47.8	-46.9	-48.5	0.3	0.7	0.9	0.6	Flat
NO ₂	SO ₂ NH ₂	meta	XUDTEV	-34.9	20.0	158.2	-173.1	-34.9	20.0	-21.8	6.9	54.9	13.1	41.8	36.6	Not
NO ₂	SO ₂ NH ₂	para	XUDTIZ01	-0.9	-1.9	178.8	178.4	-0.9	-1.9	-1.2	-1.6	1.0	0.3	0.7	0.6	Flat
NO ₂	SO ₂ Me	para	VOHZUO	9.7	10.4	-169.9	-170.0	9.7	10.4	10.1	10.0	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.4	Flat
NO ₂	Ph	ortho	LESYEN	-44.9	-44.2	133.8	137.2	-44.9	-44.2	-46.2	-42.8	0.7	1.4	2.1	1.4	Flat
NO ₂	Ph	meta	ZENKIM	-6.4	-8.0	172.2	173.3	-6.4	-8.0	-7.8	-6.7	1.6	1.3	0.2	1.0	Flat
NO ₂	Ph	para	NBPHEN	-0.2	-2.4	179.4	178.1	-0.2	-2.4	-0.6	-1.9	2.2	0.4	1.7	1.4	Flat
NO ₂	COOH	ortho	NBZAO02	53.9	53.1	-123.7	-129.3	53.9	53.1	56.3	50.7	0.8	2.4	3.2	2.2	Flat
NO ₂	COOH	meta	MNBZAC01	2.2	2.8	-177.3	-177.8	2.2	2.8	2.7	2.2	0.6	0.5	0.0	0.4	Flat
NO ₂	COOH	para	NBZAO03	-13.9	-13.2	166.4	166.5	-13.9	-13.2	-13.6	-13.5	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.5	Flat
NO ₂	Ac	para	HIHHAH	10.8	8.0	-170.7	-170.6	10.8	8.0	9.3	9.4	2.8	1.4	1.4	1.9	Flat
NO ₂	NO ₂	ortho	ZZZZFYW01	41.8	40.5	-135.4	-142.4	41.8	40.5	44.6	37.7	1.3	2.9	4.1	2.7	Flat
NO ₂	NO ₂	meta	DNBENZ11	12.7	11.8	-167.7	-167.8	12.7	11.8	12.3	12.2	0.8	0.4	0.5	0.6	Flat
NO ₂	NO ₂	para	DNITBZ	-10.8	-12.1	170.8	166.3	-10.8	-12.1	-9.2	-13.7	1.2	1.7	2.9	1.9	Flat
NO ₂	NMe ₂	meta	MNTDMA	-9.0	-11.4	170.0	169.5	-9.0	-11.4	-10.0	-10.5	2.4	1.0	1.4	1.6	Flat
NO ₂	NMe ₂	para	DIMNAN	0.3	5.6	-176.4	-177.7	0.3	5.6	3.6	2.3	5.3	3.3	2.0	3.5	Flat
NO ₂	CONH ₂	ortho	ONBZAM	44.2	46.7	-131.4	-137.8	44.2	46.7	48.6	42.2	2.6	4.5	1.9	3.0	Flat
NO ₂	CONH ₂	meta	JACYOB	9.0	9.8	-171.7	-169.5	9.0	9.8	8.3	10.5	0.8	0.8	1.5	1.0	Flat
NO ₂	CONH ₂	para	NITBZAM01	-7.7	-7.9	172.6	171.8	-7.7	-7.9	-7.4	-8.2	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.3	Flat
NO ₂	NHAc	ortho	DIXDUJ	-19.7	-18.2	161.1	161.0	-19.7	-18.2	-18.9	-19.1	1.5	0.8	0.7	1.0	Flat
NO ₂	NHAc	para	UGUHEJ	-2.0	-1.1	178.2	178.8	-2.0	-1.1	-1.8	-1.2	0.9	0.2	0.8	0.6	Flat
NH ₂	H	-	BAZGOY	28.5	-19.0	166.2	-166.6	28.5	-19.0	-13.8	23.4	47.5	42.4	5.2	31.7	Not
NH ₂	Me	para	FANDOO	-19.0	-30.1	157.9	153.1	-19.0	-30.1	-22.1	-26.9	11.1	3.2	7.9	7.4	Flat
NH ₂	F	para	IDAHRU	-29.2	21.8	-161.6	154.2	-29.2	21.8	18.4	-25.8	50.9	47.6	3.3	33.9	Not
NH ₂	Cl	ortho	IGEHEI	0.0	-1.5	180.0	178.6	0.0	-1.5	0.0	-1.4	1.5	0.1	1.4	1.0	Flat
NH ₂	Cl	para	CLANIC	31.7	-31.6	-165.8	165.8	31.7	-31.6	14.2	-14.2	63.3	17.4	45.9	42.2	Not
NH ₂	Br	ortho	IGEHEI	-20.0	24.2	163.2	-159.1	-20.0	24.2	-16.8	20.9	44.2	3.3	41.0	29.5	Not
NH ₂	Br	para	PBRANL01	16.9	-16.9	166.5	-166.5	16.9	-16.9	-13.5	13.5	33.7	30.4	3.4	22.5	Not
NH ₂	CN	ortho	NAHQOC	-16.0	14.9	165.4	-66.6	-16.0	14.9	-14.6	113.4	30.9	1.4	129.4	53.9	Not
NH ₂	CN	meta	BERTIB	30.2	-33.0	150.9	-153.7	30.2	-33.0	-29.1	26.4	63.2	59.3	3.9	42.1	Not
NH ₂	CN	para	BERTOJ	-4.9	2.8	174.7	-176.6	-4.9	2.8	-5.3	3.4	7.8	0.4	8.4	5.5	Flat
NH ₂	NH ₂	ortho	BAGFIY	11.0	-44.7	137.9	-171.5	11.0	-44.7	-42.1	8.5	55.6	53.1	2.5	37.1	Not
NH ₂	NH ₂	meta	PENDAM02	24.8	-27.9	156.4	-159.5	24.8	-27.9	-23.6	20.5	52.7	48.4	4.3	35.1	Not
NH ₂	NH ₂	para	VOJGIL	23.3	-35.3	149.3	-161.3	23.3	-35.3	-30.7	18.8	58.6	54.0	4.6	39.1	Not
NH ₂	OH	ortho	AMPHOM03	15.3	-44.7	139.9	-169.3	15.3	-44.7	-40.1	10.7	60.0	55.4	4.6	40.0	Not
NH ₂	OH	meta	MAMPOL	32.6	-40.5	-151.6	143.7	32.6	-40.5	28.4	-36.4	73.2	4.2	69.0	48.8	Not
NH ₂	OH	para	AMPHOL01	-13.9	47.9	-134.5	188.6	-13.9	47.9	45.5	-11.4	61.8	59.4	2.4	41.2	Not
NH ₂	OMe	para	PANISD01	18.9	-28.4	154.1	-163.6	18.9	-28.4	-25.9	16.4	47.3	44.8	2.5	31.5	Not
NH ₂	SO ₂ NH ₂	para	SULAMD03	7.3	-32.7	-173.0	147.6	7.3	-32.7	7.0	-32.4	39.9	0.3	39.7	26.6	Not
NH ₂	COOH	meta	AMBANZA	-18.0	17.6	-165.5	165.1	-18.0	17.6	14.5	-14.9	35.6	32.5	3.1	23.7	Not
NH ₂	COOH	ortho	AMBACO08	9.2	-14.6	167.7	-73.2	9.2	-14.6	-12.3	106.8	23.8	21.5	97.6	47.6	Not
NH ₂	COOH	para	AMBNAC04	-32.9	26.8	-157.5	151.4	-32.9	26.8	22.5	-28.6	59.8	55.4	4.4	39.9	Not
NH ₂	Ac	para	AMACPH	25.9	-19.0	163.7	-156.9	25.9	-19.0	-16.3	23.1	44.9	42.2	2.8	39.3	Not
NH ₂	NO ₂	ortho	ONITAN	12.8	15.8	-165.7	-165.7	12.8	15.8	14.3	14.4	3.0	1.5	1.5	2.0	Flat
NH ₂	NO ₂	meta	MINANL02	23.4	-20.8	162.1	-159.6	23.4	-20.8	-17.9	20.4	44.2	41.3	3.0	29.5	Not
NH ₂	NO ₂	para	NANILI	13.9	18.8	-160.9	-166.4	13.9	18.8	19.1	13.6	4.9	5.2	0.3	3.4	Flat
NH ₂	NMe ₂	para	GILYOP	27.1	-27.1	155.5	-155.6	27.1	-27.1	-24.5	24.4	54.3	51.6	2.8	36.2	Not
NH ₂	CONH ₂	ortho	JIXCIC	-18.8	39.8	-141.8	162.8	-18.8	39.8	38.3	-17.2	58.7	57.1	1.6	39.1	Not
NH ₂	CONH ₂	para	AMBZAM10	-47.7	-18.9	133.2	160.2	-47.7	-18.9	-46.8	-19.8	28.7	0.8	27.9	19.1	Not
NH ₂	NHAc	para	PACTAN	-25.4	33.4	-149.1	157.0	-25.4	33.4	30.9	-23.0	58.8	56.4	2.4	39.1	Not

NMe ₂	NH ₂	<i>para</i>	GILYOP	2.1	53.4	-129.4	-175.2	2.1	53.4	50.6	4.8	51.3	48.5	2.8	34.2	Not
NMe ₂	CN	<i>para</i>	YAMHID	-5.3	6.2	173.1	-173.9	-5.3	6.2	-6.9	6.1	11.5	1.6	11.4	8.1	Flat
NMe ₂	COOH	<i>meta</i>	TACGUZ	-11.5	12.0	-170.5	171.0	-11.5	12.0	9.5	-9.0	23.4	21.0	2.5	15.6	Not
NMe ₂	COOH	<i>para</i>	PDABZA01	-2.6	-2.9	176.7	177.8	-2.6	-2.9	-3.3	-2.2	0.3	0.7	0.4	0.4	Flat
NMe ₂	COOH	<i>para</i>	PDABZA02	-5.0	9.7	-170.2	174.9	-5.0	9.7	9.8	-5.1	14.7	14.8	0.1	9.9	Flat
NMe ₂	NO ₂	<i>meta</i>	MNTDMA	7.5	-3.7	-174.0	177.7	7.5	-3.7	6.0	-2.3	11.2	1.4	9.8	7.5	Flat
NMe ₂	NO ₂	<i>para</i>	DIMNAN	-6.4	-7.3	175.1	171.3	-6.4	-7.3	-4.9	-8.7	0.9	1.4	2.4	1.6	Flat
NMe ₂	NHAc	<i>para</i>	PAVJEC	-4.6	7.0	177.4	-175.0	-4.6	7.0	-2.6	5.0	11.6	2.0	9.6	7.8	Flat
NMe ₂	COOEt	<i>para</i>	DUNHIE	-3.2	-1.0	177.2	178.5	-3.2	-1.0	-2.8	-1.5	2.2	0.4	1.7	1.5	Flat
NMe ₂	COH	<i>para</i>	EVAXUV	-0.7	3.1	-179.8	-177.8	-0.7	3.1	0.2	2.3	3.8	0.9	2.9	2.5	Flat
NMe ₂	COH	<i>para</i>	CIKCEF	-1.3	3.3	179.3	-177.3	-1.3	3.3	-0.7	2.7	4.7	0.6	4.1	3.1	Flat
NMe ₂	COH	<i>para</i>	HUMYOE	0.2	-0.6	179.8	179.9	0.2	-0.6	-0.2	0.3	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.5	Flat
NMe ₂	COH	<i>para</i>	ISACOV	4.5	-3.6	-176.1	177.0	4.5	-3.6	3.9	-3.0	8.0	0.5	7.5	5.3	Flat
NMe ₂	2-hydroxyphenoxyethyl	<i>para</i>	ISACOV	-5.0	2.9	-177.0	175.0	-5.0	2.9	3.0	-5.0	7.9	8.0	0.1	5.3	Flat
NMe ₂	dimethylaminophenyl	<i>ortho</i>	KAHRAM	-11.7	-61.8	120.2	166.4	-11.7	-61.8	-59.9	-13.6	50.1	48.2	1.9	33.4	Not
NMe ₂	benzoyl	<i>para</i>	KOFHET	7.8	-1.9	-172.1	178.0	7.8	-1.9	7.9	-2.0	9.7	0.1	9.8	6.6	Flat
NMe ₂	thiazolidin-2-yl	<i>para</i>	KONXOA	5.7	-13.8	167.1	-175.3	5.7	-13.8	-12.9	4.7	19.5	18.6	0.9	13.0	Not
NMe ₂	naphthalen-1-yl	<i>para</i>	OJUBAX	5.0	-10.0	171.2	-176.1	5.0	-10.0	-8.8	3.9	15.1	13.9	1.2	10.0	Not
NMe ₂	phthalimido	<i>para</i>	ZZZAWP10	-7.0	-7.0	173.0	173.0	-7.0	-7.0	-7.0	-7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Flat
NMe ₂	A	<i>para</i>	FAXSUT	-15.0	13.7	166.2	-167.5	-15.0	13.7	-13.8	12.5	28.8	1.2	27.6	19.2	Not
NMe ₂	B	<i>para</i>	HIVNEG	4.3	1.4	-179.0	-175.3	4.3	1.4	1.0	4.8	2.9	3.3	0.4	2.2	Flat
N ⁺ HMe ₂	H	<i>para</i>	GEBYER	65.3	-60.2	-114.7	119.8	65.3	-60.2	65.3	-60.2	125.5	0.0	125.5	83.7	Not
N ⁺ HMe ₂	Br	<i>para</i>	AFUXUU	-60.1	-4.1	122.3	173.5	-60.1	-4.1	-57.7	-6.5	56.0	2.4	53.6	37.3	Not
N ⁺ HMe ₂	COH	<i>para</i>	VOJMED	63.7	-62.6	-117.8	115.8	63.7	-62.6	62.2	-64.2	126.3	1.6	127.9	85.3	Not
NMe ₂	N ⁺ Me ₃	<i>para</i>	YIMKAH	-3.9	-13.2	167.7	175.3	-3.9	-13.2	-12.4	-4.7	9.2	8.4	0.8	6.1	Flat
CONH ₂	H	-	BZAMID	-26.6	-24.2	153.7	155.5	-26.6	-24.2	-26.3	-24.6	2.4	0.3	2.0	1.6	Flat
CONH ₂	Me	<i>ortho</i>	NABQEM	40.0	42.0	-138.3	-139.7	40.0	42.0	41.7	40.3	2.0	1.7	0.3	1.3	Flat
CONH ₂	Me	<i>meta</i>	MEBENA	29.9	26.6	-152.3	-151.2	29.9	26.6	27.7	28.8	3.3	2.2	1.1	2.2	Flat
CONH ₂	Me	<i>para</i>	DABVAD01	24.6	27.0	-152.2	-156.3	24.6	27.0	27.8	23.8	2.4	3.2	0.9	2.1	Flat
CONH ₂	F	<i>ortho</i>	BIGSUF	-30.2	-31.8	149.0	148.9	-30.2	-31.8	-31.0	-31.1	1.6	0.7	0.8	1.0	Flat
CONH ₂	F	<i>meta</i>	BENAFM10	-29.5	-27.9	150.2	152.4	-29.5	-27.9	-29.8	-27.6	1.6	0.3	1.9	1.2	Flat
CONH ₂	F	<i>para</i>	BENAFP01	-29.1	-26.7	150.4	153.8	-29.1	-26.7	-29.6	-26.2	2.4	0.5	2.9	1.9	Flat
CONH ₂	Cl	<i>ortho</i>	CLBZAM11	-47.6	-49.7	133.2	129.6	-47.6	-49.7	-46.8	-50.4	2.1	0.8	2.9	1.9	Flat
CONH ₂	Cl	<i>meta</i>	NABRAJ	-27.3	-28.4	150.4	154.0	-27.3	-28.4	-29.6	-26.0	1.1	2.3	1.3	1.6	Flat
CONH ₂	Cl	<i>para</i>	PCBZAM10	29.0	27.8	-150.9	-152.7	29.0	27.8	29.1	27.4	1.2	0.1	1.6	1.0	Flat
CONH ₂	CN	<i>meta</i>	WUKHUF	21.8	21.1	-158.9	-158.3	21.8	21.1	21.1	21.7	0.7	0.7	0.1	0.5	Flat
CONH ₂	NH ₂	<i>ortho</i>	JIXCIC	-32.1	-32.4	149.9	145.6	-32.1	-32.4	-30.1	-34.4	0.4	2.0	2.3	1.6	Flat
CONH ₂	NH ₂	<i>para</i>	AMBZAM10	-29.6	-25.5	154.4	150.6	-29.6	-25.5	-25.6	-29.4	4.1	4.0	0.1	2.7	Flat
CONH ₂	OH	<i>ortho</i>	SALMID01	2.2	2.0	-177.7	-178.1	2.2	2.0	2.3	1.9	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.2	Flat
CONH ₂	OH	<i>meta</i>	HXBZM	22.3	22.7	-156.1	-156.9	22.3	22.7	23.9	23.1	0.4	1.6	0.8	0.9	Flat
CONH ₂	OH	<i>para</i>	VIDMAX	-7.0	-6.2	172.9	173.9	-7.0	-6.2	-7.1	-6.1	0.8	0.1	0.9	0.6	Flat
CONH ₂	OMe	<i>ortho</i>	RECQIA	29.9	34.9	-146.5	-148.7	29.9	34.9	33.5	31.3	5.0	3.6	1.4	3.4	Flat
CONH ₂	NO ₂	<i>ortho</i>	ONBZAM	45.0	41.5	-141.2	-132.3	45.0	41.5	38.8	47.7	3.5	6.2	2.7	4.1	Flat
CONH ₂	NO ₂	<i>meta</i>	JACYOB	14.5	14.8	-166.3	-164.4	14.5	14.8	13.7	15.6	0.3	0.8	1.1	0.7	Flat
CONH ₂	NO ₂	<i>para</i>	NTBZAM01	2.0	3.8	-177.8	-176.4	2.0	3.8	2.2	3.6	1.7	0.2	1.5	1.2	Flat
CONH ₂	NHAc	<i>ortho</i>	ACBNZA	28.1	27.4	-151.8	-152.8	28.1	27.4	28.2	27.2	0.7	0.2	0.9	0.6	Flat
NHAc	H	-	ACANIL06	-18.1	-18.5	161.9	161.8	-18.1	-18.5	-18.2	-18.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	Flat
NHAc	Me	<i>ortho</i>	REZRIY	-64.4	-65.9	115.5	114.1	-64.4	-65.9	-64.5	-65.9	1.5	0.1	1.4	1.0	Flat
NHAc	Me	<i>para</i>	ACTOLD07	-14.0	-18.0	163.9	164.1	-14.0	-18.0	-16.1	-15.9	4.0	2.1	1.9	2.7	Flat
NHAc	Cl	<i>ortho</i>	MEJPIB01	-42.4	-42.7	138.6	136.4	-42.4	-42.7	-41.4	-43.7	0.3	1.0	1.2	0.8	Flat
NHAc	Cl	<i>meta</i>	GISPOO	21.2	14.5	-163.0	-161.3	21.2	14.5	17.0	18.7	6.7	4.2	2.5	4.4	Flat
NHAc	Br	<i>ortho</i>	MAVFAR	42.6	42.6	-138.6	-136.3	42.6	42.6	41.5	43.8	0.1	1.2	1.1	0.8	Flat
NHAc	Br	<i>meta</i>	HOTDOK	-19.2	-22.2	160.8	157.8	-19.2	-22.2	-19.2	-22.2	3.0	0.0	3.0	2.0	Flat
NHAc	Br	<i>para</i>	MEWFUR	-18.6	-7.3	170.1	164.1	-18.6	-7.3	-9.9	-15.9	11.4	8.7	2.7	7.6	Flat
NHAc	CF ₃	<i>ortho</i>	PETLEH	-51.6	-51.9	128.1	128.3	-51.6	-51.9	-51.9	-51.7	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	Flat
NHAc	CF ₃	<i>meta</i>	PETLAD	-0.3	-1.3	178.7	179.6	-0.3	-1.3	-1.3	-0.4	1.0	0.9	0.0	0.7	Flat
NHAc	CF ₃	<i>para</i>	PETKUW	-8.0	-9.0	172.0	170.9	-8.0	-9.0	-8.0	-9.1	1.0	0.0	1.1	0.7	Flat
NHAc	OH	<i>meta</i>	MENSEE	-5.9	-6.2	174.1	173.8	-5.9	-6.2	-5.9	-6.2	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.2	Flat
NHAc	OH	<i>para</i>	HXACAN	17.9	14.8	-163.1	-164.2	17.9	14.8	16.9	15.8	3.0	1.0	2.1	2.0	Flat
NHAc	OMe	<i>para</i>	ACACTA	-23.1	-28.9	149.9	158.1	-23.1	-28.9	-30.1	-21.9	5.8	7.0	1.2	4.6	Flat
NHAc	CN	<i>ortho</i>	FOMRIJ	-37.8	-33.3	146.0	142.9	-37.8	-33.3	-34.0	-37.1	4.6	3.8	0.7	3.0	Flat
NHAc	NH ₂	<i>para</i>	PACTAN	36.3	36.7	-140.0	-147.1	36.3	36.7	40.0	32.9	0.4	3.7	3.3	2.5	Flat
NHAc	COOH	<i>ortho</i>	ACANAC12	-0.7	-2.7	177.2	179.4	-0.7	-2.7	-2.8	-0.6	2.0	2.1	0.1	1.4	Flat
NHAc	COOH	<i>meta</i>	VIDLUQ	-6.3	-3.1	177.6	173.0	-6.3	-3.1	-2.4	-7.0	3.2	3.9	0.7	2.6	Flat
NHAc	COOH	<i>para</i>	DIXFAR02	-30.4	-30.6	142.9	147.1	-30.4	-30.6	-37.1	-32.9	0.3	6.8	2.5	3.2	Flat
NHAc	Ac	<i>ortho</i>	ODATUJ	-16.7	-14.9	173.7	164.8	-16.7	-14.9	-6.3	-15.3	1.8	10.4	1.4	4.5	Flat
NHAc	NO ₂	<i>ortho</i>	DIXDUJ	25.9	11.3	-169.1	-153.8	25.9	11.3	10.9	26.2	14.6	15.0	0.3	10.0	Flat
NHAc	NO ₂	<i>meta</i>	UGIUHEJ	-7.6	-7.5	172.3	172.5	-7.6	-7.5	-7.7	-7.5	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	Flat
NHAc	CONH ₂	<i>ortho</i>	ACBNZA	-6.5	-9.2	169.6	174.8	-6.5	-9.2	-10.4	-5.2	2.7	3.9	1.2	2.6	Flat
NHAc	NHAc	<i>ortho</i>	WIVYIJ	-39.6	-50.3	138.1	132.0	-39.6	-50.3	-41.9	-48.0	10.6	2.3	8.3	7.1	Flat

A: 6-amino-3-methyl-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carbonitrile, B: 2,6-bis(pyridin-2-yl)pyridine

The molecular shapes of substituents can be classified into not only flat/non-flat, but also linear (e.g. CN), spherical (e.g. halogen), and so on. Here, we defined a flat substituent as one possessing extension in two dimensions.

Among the compounds listed in Supplementary Table 1, all available single X-ray crystal structures of the compounds bearing substituent(s) containing an sp² atom (Ph, CO₂H, Ac, NO₂, NH₂, NMe₂, CONH₂ and NHAc) were picked up from the Cambridge Structural Database (CSD). In the case of the NMe₂ group, because only seven single X-ray crystal data were available, seventeen crystal data sets of compounds not listed in Supplementary Table 1 were also picked up. Next, four dihedral angles between the phenyl ring and the sp²-substituent were measured. If the absolute value of the measured dihedral angle exceeded 90 °, it was corrected by adding 180 ° with the opposite sign; we designated the resulting value as the corrected dihedral angle. The mean absolute difference values between a reference dihedral angle and the other three corrected dihedral angles was next calculated. When this mean absolute difference value is less than 10 °, the substituent is defined as flat. The angles of each substituent are shown in Supplementary Table 2. As a result, we defined Ph, CO₂H, Ac, NO₂, CONH₂ and NHAc groups as flat substituents, whereas Me, Et, *t*-Bu, F, Cl, Br, CF₃, CN, NH₂, OH, OMe, SO₂NH₂ and SO₂Me were defined as non-flat substituents. The NMe₂ group was excluded from the analyses shown in Figure 1b-c because we could not define NMe₂ as either flat or non-flat.

Supplementary Table 3. List of melting points and the melting point differences of the disubstituted benzenes used for statistical analysis in Fig. 1b-c.

a) Disubstituted benzenes containing flat substituent(s).

substituent		Melting point (°C)			difference of melting point (°C)	
R ¹	R ²	<i>ortho</i>	<i>meta</i>	<i>para</i>	<i>(para)-(ortho)</i>	<i>(para)-(meta)</i>
Me	CO ₂ H	103.4	109.3	180	76.6	70.7
Me	CONH ₂	145	94.5	162.5	17.5	68
Me	NO ₂	-3.6	15.9	51.7	55.3	35.8
Me	NHAc	111	65.9	151	40	85.1
Et	CO ₂ H	75.6	47.6	112	36.4	64.4
Et	CONH ₂	133.5	92	164.7	31.2	72.7
Et	NO ₂	-12.2	-37.9	-12.3	-0.1	25.6
Et	NHAc	114	34	94.5	-19.5	60.5
<i>t</i> -Bu	CO ₂ H	80.5	127.3	164	83.5	36.7
<i>t</i> -Bu	NO ₂	-2.6	0.4	28.4	31	28
<i>t</i> -Bu	NHAc	165	102.5	173.3	8.3	70.8
F	CO ₂ H	124.2	123.6	183.9	59.7	60.3
F	CONH ₂	117.5	128	154.6	37.1	26.6
F	NO ₂	-6	41	26.5	32.5	-14.5
F	NHAc	79.5	84.6	151.1	71.6	66.5
Cl	CO ₂ H	140.4	154.2	239.5	99.1	85.3
Cl	CONH ₂	141.8	133.8	180	38.2	46.2
Cl	NO ₂	32.1	43.6	82.2	50.1	38.6
Cl	NHAc	86.7	76.6	178.4	91.7	101.8
Br	CO ₂ H	149	156.7	254	105	97.3
Br	Ac	50.6	8	51	0.4	43
Br	CONH ₂	161.5	156.5	192.5	31	36
Br	NO ₂	38.5	54	133	94.5	79

Br	NHAc	99.2	87.5	168	68.8	80.5
CF ₃	CO ₂ H	109	104	220	111	116
CF ₃	CONH ₂	163	121	187.5	24.5	66.5
CF ₃	NO ₂	32.5	-2.4	43	10.5	45.4
CF ₃	NHAc	96.5	103.5	152.4	55.9	48.9
CO ₂ H	CO ₂ H	207	348	440	233	92
CO ₂ H	Ac	114.5	172	208	93.5	36
CO ₂ H	CN	190	223	220	30	-3
CO ₂ H	CONH ₂	28.5	81	80	51.5	-1
CO ₂ H	NH ₂	144.6	179.7	188.2	43.6	8.5
CO ₂ H	NO ₂	147	141.3	241	94	99.7
CO ₂ H	NHAc	187.5	249	256.5	69	7.5
CO ₂ H	OH	158.6	201.3	213	54.4	11.7
CO ₂ H	OMe	100.9	107	184	83.1	77
CO ₂ H	SO ₂ NH ₂	159	249	291	132	42
CO ₂ H	SO ₂ Me	140	236.5	274.5	134.5	38
Ac	Ac	42	32	113	71	81
Ac	CN	49	98.5	59	10	-39.5
Ac	CONH ₂	116.5	126.5	192	75.5	65.5
Ac	NH ₂	20	98.5	105	85	6.5
Ac	NO ₂	28.5	81	80	51.5	-1
Ac	NHAc	77	129	169	92	40
Ac	OH	2.5	94	108.2	105.7	14.2
Ac	OMe	34	60	39	5	-21
Ac	SO ₂ Me	103	106	129	26	23
CN	CONH ₂	173	224	227	54	3
CN	NO ₂	115	116.6	147.5	32.5	30.9
CN	NHAc	199.5	131	206.5	7	75.5
CONH ₂	CONH ₂	222	280	322.3	100.3	42.3
CONH ₂	NH ₂	110.5	117.5	183	72.5	65.5

CONH ₂	NO ₂	176.6	143.3	190	13.4	46.7
CONH ₂	NHAc	190	219.5	274.5	84.5	55
CONH ₂	OH	140	170.5	162	22	-8.5
CONH ₂	OMe	129.5	134	166.4	36.9	32.4
CONH ₂	SO ₂ Me	155	177	226.5	71.5	49.5
NH ₂	NO ₂	71	112	147.7	76.7	35.7
NH ₂	NHAc	133.5	88	166.5	33	78.5
NO ₂	NO ₂	115.8	90.8	171.1	55.3	80.3
NO ₂	NHAc	93	154.5	216	123	61.5
NO ₂	OH	44.9	95	113.8	68.9	18.8
NO ₂	OMe	9.4	38	54	44.6	16
NO ₂	SO ₂ NH ₂	193.7	168	181	-12.7	13
NO ₂	SO ₂ Me	136	148	142.5	6.5	-5.5
NHAc	NHAc	188.7	188	310	121.3	122
NHAc	OH	209	148.5	168	-41	19.5
NHAc	OMe	87.5	81	127.2	39.7	46.2
NHAc	SO ₂ NH ₂	163	217	219	56	2
NHAc	SO ₂ Me	147	142.5	188	41	45.5
Ph	Me	-0.2	4.5	48.1	48.3	43.6
Ph	Et	-6.1	-27.6	34.5	40.6	62.1
Ph	F	73.5	27	74.2	0.7	47.2
Ph	Cl	31.8	16	75.4	43.6	59.4
Ph	CO ₂ H	112	162.5	228.8	116.8	66.3
Ph	Ac	56	36	121	65	85
Ph	CONH ₂	175	173	223	48	50
Ph	NO ₂	37	61	112.9	75.9	51.9
Ph	NHAc	121.5	149	171.2	49.7	22.2
Ph	Br	0.8	9	87	86.2	78
Ph	CF ₃	15	26.5	71.5	56.5	45
Ph	CN	39	49	88	49	39

Ph	NH ₂	49.1	31.5	51	1.9	19.5
Ph	OH	57.5	75.3	168	110.5	92.7
Ph	OMe	29	88	90	61	2
Ph	SO ₂ NH ₂	120.5	131	228	107.5	97
Ph	SO ₂ Me	101	85	145	44	60
Ph	Ph	56.2	86.9	213.8	157.6	126.9

b) Disubstituted benzenes with solely non-flat substituents

Substituent		Melting point (°C)			Difference of melting point (°C)	
R ¹	R ²	<i>ortho</i>	<i>meta</i>	<i>para</i>	(<i>para</i>)-(<i>ortho</i>)	(<i>para</i>)-(<i>meta</i>)
Me	Me	-25.2	-47.9	13.3	38.5	61.2
Me	Et	-80.7	-95.7	-62.7	18	33
Me	<i>t</i> -Bu	-50.3	-41.4	-52.5	-2.2	-11.1
Me	F	-62.5	-89.2	-56.6	5.9	32.6
Me	Cl	-35.9	-47.8	7.4	43.3	55.2
Me	Br	-27.5	-38.1	26.2	53.7	64.3
Me	CN	-10.5	-23	28	38.5	51
Me	NH ₂	-14.4	-30.8	43.3	57.7	74.1
Me	OH	31	12.2	34.8	3.8	22.6
Me	OMe	-34.1	-55.5	-31.6	2.5	23.9
Me	SO ₂ NH ₂	156.3	108	138	-18.3	30
Me	SO ₂ Me	57.4	35	88	30.6	53
Et	Et	-31.4	-83.9	-43.3	-11.9	40.6
Et	Cl	-83.3	-55	-62.5	20.8	-7.5
Et	NH ₂	-47	-64	-5.1	41.9	58.9
Et	OH	18	0	45	27	45
Et	SO ₂ NH ₂	127	89	109	-18	20
<i>t</i> -Bu	<i>t</i> -Bu	27.5	10.6	77.6	50.1	67
<i>t</i> -Bu	OH	-5.6	47	100	105.6	53
F	F	-47.1	-69.1	-23.5	23.6	45.6
F	CF ₃	-51.2	-81.5	-41.7	9.5	39.8
F	OH	16.1	14	48	31.9	34
F	OMe	-39	-35	-45	-6	-10
F	SO ₂ NH ₂	158.5	129.5	126	-32.5	-3.5
F	SO ₂ Me	50	42	80	30	38

Cl	Cl	-17	-24.8	53.1	70.1	77.9
Cl	Br	-12.6	-21.4	64.8	77.4	86.2
Cl	CF ₃	-6	-56	-33	-27	23
Cl	CN	43.5	41	91.6	48.1	50.6
Cl	NH ₂	-2.3	-10.3	70.4	72.7	80.7
Cl	OH	8	32.5	43.1	35.1	10.6
Cl	SO ₂ NH ₂	188.3	148	146	-42.3	-2
Cl	SO ₂ Me	94.2	108	98	3.8	-10
Br	Br	6	-6.9	87.3	81.3	94.2
Br	CN	55.5	39.5	114	58.5	74.5
Br	NH ₂	30.9	18.5	78.2	47.3	59.7
Br	OH	5.6	33	63	57.4	30
Br	SO ₂ NH ₂	186	154	166.5	-19.5	12.5
Br	SO ₂ Me	108.5	103	105	-3.5	2
CF ₃	CN	18	14.5	37.5	19.5	23
CF ₃	NH ₂	35.5	5.5	38	2.5	32.5
CF ₃	OH	45.5	-0.9	47	1.5	47.9
CF ₃	OMe	-14.1	-65	-9.1	5	55.9
CF ₃	SO ₂ NH ₂	185	122	184	-1	62
CF ₃	SO ₂ Me	75	60	101	26	41
CN	CN	140.9	162	224	83.1	62
CN	NH ₂	51	53	86.2	35.2	33.2
CN	OH	98	82.8	113	15	30.2
CN	OMe	59	23	62	3	39
CN	SO ₂ NH ₂	160	153	173.2	13.2	20.2
CN	SO ₂ Me	104	105	142.8	38.8	37.8
NH ₂	NH ₂	103	65.5	140.3	37.3	74.8
NH ₂	OH	173.5	122.5	186	12.5	63.5
NH ₂	OMe	6.2	-1	57.8	51.6	58.8
NH ₂	SO ₂ NH ₂	157	140.2	166.1	9.1	25.9

NH ₂	SO ₂ Me	87	73	138	51	65
OH	OH	104.6	109.8	173	68.4	63.2
OH	SO ₂ NH ₂	141	166	178	37	12
OH	SO ₂ Me	87.5	84	96.5	9	12.5
OMe	OMe	22.5	-35.3	56.2	33.7	91.5
OMe	SO ₂ NH ₂	171	130	116	-55	-14
OMe	SO ₂ Me	93.5	47	122	28.5	75
SO ₂ NH ₂	SO ₂ NH ₂	254	229	289	35	60
SO ₂ Me	SO ₂ Me	228	200	261	33	61

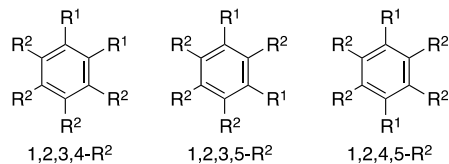
Supplementary Table 5. List of Log*P* of disubstituted benzenes with medicinal chemistry-friendly substituents.

a) The order of Log*P* among the regioisomers.

		Substituent 1																				
		Me	Et	t-Bu	F	Cl	Br	CF ₃	CN	NH ₂	OH	OMe	SO ₂ NH ₂	SO ₂ Me	Ph	CO ₂ H	Ac	NO ₂	CONH ₂	NHAc	NMe ₂	
Substituent 2	H	<i>mono</i>	2.73																			
		<i>ortho</i>	3.12	3.53																		2.85
	Me	<i>meta</i>	3.20				3.28													2.45	1.18	1.52
		<i>para</i>	3.15	3.65			3.33			1.39	1.94	2.66	0.82		4.63	2.34	2.10	2.42	1.18			
	Et	<i>ortho</i>									2.47											
		<i>meta</i>									2.40											
		<i>para</i>								1.96	2.42											
	t-Bu	<i>ortho</i>																				
		<i>meta</i>																				
		<i>para</i>																				
	F	<i>ortho</i>				3.38				1.26	1.68						1.77			0.64		
		<i>meta</i>				3.48				1.30	1.93						2.15					
		<i>para</i>				3.38				1.15	1.79	1.72					2.08					1.47
	Cl	<i>ortho</i>								1.90	2.19		0.74		4.59	1.98	2.09	2.24			1.28	
		<i>meta</i>								1.88	2.48		1.29		4.71	2.68	2.51	2.46				
		<i>para</i>								1.83	2.40		0.84		4.61	2.65	2.39	2.39				2.05
	Br	<i>ortho</i>								2.19	2.35					2.20				0.73		
		<i>meta</i>								2.10	2.63					2.87						
		<i>para</i>								2.05	2.65	2.43	1.36			2.86						2.29
	CF ₃	<i>ortho</i>									2.80							2.64				
<i>meta</i>									2.39	2.95					2.95	2.63	2.62			2.20		
<i>para</i>									1.95										1.71			
CN	<i>ortho</i>									1.60												
	<i>meta</i>								1.07	1.70					1.48	1.16	1.17		0.52			
	<i>para</i>								1.60			0.23			1.56	1.22	1.19		0.48			
NH ₂	<i>ortho</i>								0.15	0.62	0.95					1.62	1.83	0.35				
	<i>meta</i>								0.17	0.93							1.37					
	<i>para</i>								0.04	0.95	-0.60	-0.12					1.39		-0.20			
OH	<i>ortho</i>									1.32					2.24	1.90	1.79	1.28				
	<i>meta</i>									1.58					1.50	1.39	2.00	0.39				
	<i>para</i>									1.39	0.06				1.58	1.30	1.91	0.33				
OMe	<i>ortho</i>														1.59		1.73	0.84	0.98			
	<i>meta</i>											0.86			2.02	1.84	2.16	0.85				
	<i>para</i>											0.47			1.96	1.74	2.03	0.86		1.14		
SO ₂ NH ₂	<i>ortho</i>																0.34					
	<i>meta</i>											-0.55					0.55					
	<i>para</i>																0.20	0.64			0.76	
SO ₂ Me	<i>ortho</i>																					
	<i>meta</i>																					
	<i>para</i>															0.67						
Ph	<i>ortho</i>																					
	<i>meta</i>																					
	<i>para</i>																					
CO ₂ H	<i>ortho</i>														0.79	0.81	1.46		1.88			
	<i>meta</i>														1.66		1.83					
	<i>para</i>														2.00		1.89		1.31			
Ac	<i>ortho</i>																1.28					
	<i>meta</i>																1.42					
	<i>para</i>																1.48				2.10	
NO ₂	<i>ortho</i>																1.58		1.00			
	<i>meta</i>																1.49	0.77	1.47			
	<i>para</i>																1.49	0.82	1.66	2.27		
CONH ₂	<i>ortho</i>																		-1.73			
	<i>meta</i>																		-0.21		0.95	
	<i>para</i>																		0.01	1.14		
NHAc	<i>ortho</i>																					
	<i>meta</i>																					
	<i>para</i>																					
NMe ₂	<i>ortho</i>																					
	<i>meta</i>																					
	<i>para</i>																					

Red and blue highlights indicate cases where the Log*P* value difference exceeds 0.3 among other regioisomers.

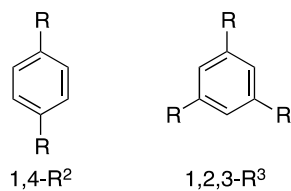
Supplementary Table 6. List of melting points of tetrasubstituted and hexasubstituted benzenes with simple substituents.



		Substituent 1												
		H			Me			Cl			Br			
		ortho	meta	para	ortho	meta	para	ortho	meta	para	ortho	meta	para	
Substituent 2	position of R ¹													
	symmetry No.	2	2	4	2	2	4	2	2	4	2	2	4	
	position of R ²	1,2,3,4	1,2,3,5	1,2,4,5	1,2,3,4	1,2,3,5	1,2,4,5	1,2,3,4	1,2,3,5	1,2,4,5	1,2,3,4	1,2,3,5	1,2,4,5	
	Non Flat	Me	-6.3	-23.7	79.3	168.0	168.0	168.0	228	220	223	261	252	253
	Et	11.6	-21.0	13.0	45	36	102	-	45	72	64.5	78.2	115.5	
	t-Bu	-	-	156.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	F	-42.2	-48.0	3.9	-	-	61	87	54	76.5	125	87	-	
	Cl	46.9	54.0	139.7	195	190	191	228.4	228.4	228.4	285	282	283	
	Br	62.0	98.5	180.0	208	198.5	202	251	-	248	325.7	325.7	325.7	
	CF ₃	21.0	50.0	74.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	CN	-	155.0	272.0	229.2	180	209	257	252	307.8	324	-	-	
	NH ₂	-	-	281.0	144	-	150	235	220.5	225	-	213	255	
	OH	161.0	170.0	233.0	111	162.5	233	193	142	236	193	167	250	
	OMe	89.5	46.0	103.0	21	-	115	90	102	165	127.5	118	231	
	SO ₂ NH ₂	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	SO ₂ Me	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Flat	Ph	191.4	224.0	267.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	CO ₂ H	241.0	247.0	283.0	249	270	-	255.3	290	335	280	292	300	
	Ac	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	NO ₂	121.0	127.0	191.0	178.4	183.5	207.5	151	165	234	223	242	320	
CONH ₂	-	-	300.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	342		
NHAc	-	245.0	267.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
NMe ₂	-	-	95.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		

Red and blue figures indicate the lowest and the highest melting point among the three regioisomers, respectively. For definitions of “flat” and “non-flat” substituents, see Supplementary Table 2. Melting points of tetrasubstituted and hexasubstituted benzenes were taken from reaxys, <https://www.reaxys.com>, Elsevier.

Supplementary Table 7. Comparison of melting points between 1,4-disubstituted benzenes and 1,3,5-trisubstituted benzenes



	position of R	1,4	1,3,5
	symmetry No.	4	6
Non Flat	Me	13.3	-45.9
	Et	-43.3	-66.5
	t-Bu	77.6	75.0
	F	-23.5	-5.5
	Cl	53.1	62.9
	Br	87.3	122.1
	CF ₃	2.8	9.0
	CN	224.0	258.0
	NH ₂	140.3	112.0
	OH	173.0	218.3
	OMe	56.2	56.0
	SO ₂ NH ₂	289.0	347.0
	SO ₂ Me	261.0	353.0
Flat	Ph	213.8	175.0
	CO ₂ H	440.0	380.0
	Ac	113.0	168.0
	NO ₂	171.1	122.9
	CONH ₂	322.3	-
	NHAc	310.0	242.0
	NMe ₂	51.0	44.0

Red figures indicate the lower melting point. For definitions of “flat” and “non-flat” substituents, see Supplementary Table 2. Melting points of trisubstituted benzenes were taken from reaxys, <https://www.reaxys.com>, Elsevier.

Supplementary Table 8. List of melting points of pharmaceutical compounds bearing disubstituted benzene with non-flat groups used for matched molecular pair analysis

entry	year	vol	page	R ¹	R ²	compound No			melting point		
						<i>o</i>	<i>m</i>	<i>p</i>	<i>o</i>	<i>m</i>	<i>p</i>
1	2017	60	9575	CH ₂ Ar	F	17	16	15	155	138	126
2				CH ₂ Ar	Cl	20	19	18	144	137	153
3				CH ₂ Ar	Me	28	27	26	144	127	145
4				CH ₂ Ar	CF ₃	34	33	32	154	136	142
5				CH ₂ Ar	Br	23	22	21	128	146	157
6				CH ₂ Ar	MeO	31	30	29	104	106	153
7				CH ₂ Ar	CN	37	36	35	127	131	118
8	2017	60	8441	(CH ₂) ₃ NHCOAr	HO	4b	4a	4c	222	245	222
9	2017	60	6942	CH ₂ CONHR	Cl	5a	5b	5c	210	183	223
10				CH ₂ CONHR	MeO	5d	5e	5f	211	139	144
11				CH ₂ Ar	Cl	28e	28f	24c	178	25	200
12				CH ₂ NHCOAr	MeO	115c	115b	115a	140	130	204
13	2017	60	4963	OSO ₂ Ar	Me	6	12	22	158	125	157
14				OSO ₂ Ar	MeO	8	13	23	136	113	185
15				OSO ₂ Ar	MeO	26	27	35	134	97	140
16				OSO ₂ Ar	MeO	38	43	51	138	66	107
17				OSO ₂ Ar	Me	36	42	50	141	78	88
18				OSO ₂ Ar	MeO	55	56	68	115	57	68
19	2017	60	4424	CH ₂ Het	F	25h	25g	25f	177	158	262
20				CH ₂ Het	Br	25k	25j	25i	167	182	194
21				CH ₂ Het	Cl	25n	25m	25l	168	164	184
22				CH ₂ Het	CN	25t	25s	25r	125	185	180
23	2016	59	10564	CH ₂ NHAr	MeO	13	14	12	256	201	192
24	2016	59	7991	CH ₂ Het	CN	18	21	17	87	200	100
25	2016	59	7223	CH ₂ Ar	MeO	15e	15d	15c	134	154	116
26	2016	59	867	CH ₂ Ar	Me	50	51	52	99	87	102
27				CH ₂ Ar	MeO	53	54	55	121	64	112
28				CH ₂ Ar	F	56	57	58	100	110	123
29	2015	58	7341	CbCONHAr	Br	1e	1f	1g	182	171	165
30				CbCONHAr	Cl	1b	1c	1d	181	189	167
31	2015	58	4610	CH ₂ Ar	MeO	10c	10e	10h	156	179	156
32				CH ₂ Ar	MeO	11c	11e	11h	175	181	152
33	2014	57	10314	CH ₂ Het	Br	8	9	10	189	174	181
34	2014	57	6030	OCH ₂ Ar	MeO	6	5	4	110.8	78.7	130.2
35				OCH ₂ Ar	HO	9	8	7	63.4	110.6	153.7
36				OCH ₂ Ar	NH ₂	18	17	16	100.1	154.8	140
37	2014	57	4239	CH ₂ Ar	MeO	40d	40e	40f	161.3	139.3	143.6
38	2014	57	1473	SO ₂ CH=CHAr	MeO	12a	11a	10a	119	75	95
39				SO ₂ CH=CHAr	MeO	12b	11b	10b	139	75	106
40				SO ₂ CH=CHAr	MeO	12c	11c	10c	114	102	137
41				SO ₂ CH=CHAr	MeO	12d	11d	10d	113	25	113
42				SO ₂ CH=CHAr	MeO	12e	11e	10e	119	25	93
43				SO ₂ CH=CHAr	MeO	12f	11f	10f	124	25	114
44	2013	56	7243	OCH ₂ Ar	F	16j	16k	16l	280	152.8	280
45	2013	56	3783	OCH ₂ CONRR	Me	11p	11o	11m	98	25	136.5
46	2012	55	10909	CH ₂ NHCOR	F	7	6	1	187.7	168.8	194
47	2012	55	10074	(CH ₂) ₇ SO ₂ F	BnO	20c	20b	20a	25	25	38
48				(CH ₂) ₇ SO ₂ F	HO	21c	21b	21a	25	25	51
49	2012	55	7614	(CH ₂) ₂ Het	MeO	5g	5h	5a	98	121	170
50	2012	55	6194	OSO ₂ Ar	Me	4	5	6	101	25	25
51	2012	55	5760	(CH ₂) ₂ OAr	Me	33b	33c	33d	122	111	191
52				(CH ₂) ₂ OAr	CF ₃	33e	33f	33g	91	92	181
53				(CH ₂) ₂ OAr	F	33h	33i	33j	115	116	165
54				(CH ₂) ₂ OAr	Cl	33k	33l	33m	120	131	194
55				(CH ₂) ₂ OAr	Br	33n	33o	33p	120	135	156
56	2011	54	6432	CH ₂ NHCOR	CF ₃ O	15	16	17	55	25	64
57				CH ₂ NHCOR	CF ₃ O	44	45	ref.8 49	134	104	102
58				(CH ₂) ₂ NHCOR	F	56	57	58	52	25	25
59				(CH ₂) ₂ NHCOR	F	60	61	62	133	132	133
60	2010	53	8619	CH(NHCOAr)CH ₂ CO ₂ H	F	4A1	4A2	4A3	190.4	194.8	193.1

61				CH(NHCOAr)CH ₂ CO ₂ H	Cl	4A4	4A5	4A6	213.9	156.1	222.3
62				CH(NHCOAr)CH ₂ CO ₂ H	MeO	4A7	4A8	4A9	182	145	198.9
63				CH(NHCOAr)CH ₂ CO ₂ H	Me	4A13	4A14	4A15	190.8	130.1	216.1
64				CH(NHCOAr)CH ₂ CO ₂ H	F	4A17	4A18	4A19	168.2	168.5	165.3
65	2010	53	6228	CH ₂ Het	EtO	25	26	27	25	25	64
66				CH ₂ Het	F(CH ₂) ₂ O	28	29	30	25	25	78
67				CH ₂ Het	F(CH ₂) ₃ O	34	35	36	25	25	60
68				CH ₂ Het	MeO	11	12	13	25	84	94
69				CH ₂ Het	HO	19	20	21	127	125	149
70	2010	53	3756	CH ₂ OAr	F	21	10	22	174	152	167
71	2010	53	1288	CH ₂ NHCOR	F	4	5	6	175	151	145
72				CH ₂ NHCOR	CF ₃ O	7	8	9	131	148	135
73	2008	51	7144	CH ₂ OAr	Me	6	5	4	213	203	207
74				CH ₂ OAr	CH ₂ NH ₂	3	2	1	170	160	185
75	2008	51	3203	CH ₂ CO ₂ R	MeO	6i	6j	6k	149	150	150
76				(CH ₂) ₂ CO ₂ R	MeO	6m	6n	6o	159	164	172
77	2008	51	1764	CH ₂ OAr	Cl	5k	5l	5m	99.8	99.5	126
78	2007	50	5579	(CH ₂) ₂ NHAr	Cl	3	4	5	100	123	100
79				CH ₂ NHAr	F	13	14	15	134	114	137
80	2007	50	3290	(CH ₂) ₂ Ar	MeO	4	3	2	140	127.5	156
81				(CH ₂) ₂ Ar	MeO	9	8	7	223	169	204.6
82	2007	50	807	CH ₂ OCOHet	Me	20h	20i	20j	25	25	100
83				CH ₂ OCOHet	F	20e	20f	20g	47	71	127
84	2006	49	1433	CH ₂ OAr	F	11a	11e	11l	108	121	102
85				CH ₂ OAr	Cl	11b	11f	11m	86	111	108
86				CH ₂ OAr	F	14a	14e	14k	92	91	100
87				CH ₂ OAr	Cl	14b	14f	14l	107	108	110
88	2006	49	947	SO ₂ Ar	MeO	18	20	22	250	173	232
89	2005	48	7750	O(CH ₂) ₂ NH(CH ₂) ₂ OAr	Cl	5	6	7	165	136	162
90				O(CH ₂) ₂ NH(CH ₂) ₂ OAr	Me	8	9	10	156	127	146
91	2005	48	7172	(CH ₂) ₂ NHAr	F	3c	3d	3e	114	97	92
92				(CH ₂) ₂ NHAr	Cl	3f	3g	3h	120	91	112
93				(CH ₂) ₂ NHAr	Cl	5i	5j	5k	115	100	106
94	2005	48	1367	OCH ₂ Ar	CN	53	54	55	226	217	226
95	2005	48	1237	CH ₂ OCMe ₂ Ar	MeO	5b	5c	5d	202.5	171.3	200.2
96	2004	47	4570	CH ₂ Ocb	Cl	11aj	11ak	11al	195	220	220
97	2004	47	3546	CH ₂ OAr	Cl	15	16	17	109	123	149
98	2004	47	1807	CH ₂ OAr	MeO	21	22	23	210	191	167
99				CH ₂ OAr	Cl	18	19	20	247	229	205
100	2001	44	3195	CH ₂ OAr	Me	2	3	9	145	114	123
101	2000	43	4747	CH ₂ OAr	Me	49	51	62	145	114	123
102	2000	43	4667	OCH ₂ Ar	Cl	20	19	18	165	149	245
103	2000	43	2946	(CH ₂) ₂ C(CH ₂ OH) ₂ NH ₂	<i>n</i> -Octyl	25	26	6	159	98	108
104	1999	42	3412	(CH ₂) ₂ NHCOR	HO	33	32	27	179	142	167
105	1999	42	1789	OCH ₂ CONHR	Me	12b	12c	12d	72	60	70
106				CH ₂ NHCOHet	Me	21c	21d	21e	115	117	116
107	1998	41	2972	OCH ₂ Ar	HO	9	10	11	173	220	200
108				OCH ₂ Ar	F	12	13	14	110	105	144
109	1998	41	503	CH ₂ OAr	F	3	4	5	224	204	199
110	1990	33	1818	O(CH ₂) ₄ NMe ₂	phenethyl	7c	8a	8b	118	129	171
111				(CH ₂) ₂ Ar	Cl	9e	9h	9j	123	94	154
112	1987	30	1348	CH ₂ OAr	Cl	35	27	25	70.5	150	181
113	1985	28	1436	(CH ₂) ₂ NHR	Me	23	24	25	92	165	70
114	1979	22	352	CH ₂ NRR	Me	5	7	9	148.5	159.5	175
115	1978	21	1073	OCH ₂ CH(OH)CH ₂ Ar	Cl	11	10	5	200	174	201
116	1977	20	1653	O(CH ₂) ₂ NHR	Me	8	9	10	100	168	113
117				O(CH ₂) ₂ NHR	Cl	18	19	20	152	172	125
118	1970	13	968	OCH ₂ Ar	Cl	2	3	4	201	154	190

Red and blue figures indicate the lowest and the highest melting point among the three regioisomers, respectively. Ar, aromatic; Het, nonaromatic heterocycle; Cb, aliphatic carbocycle.

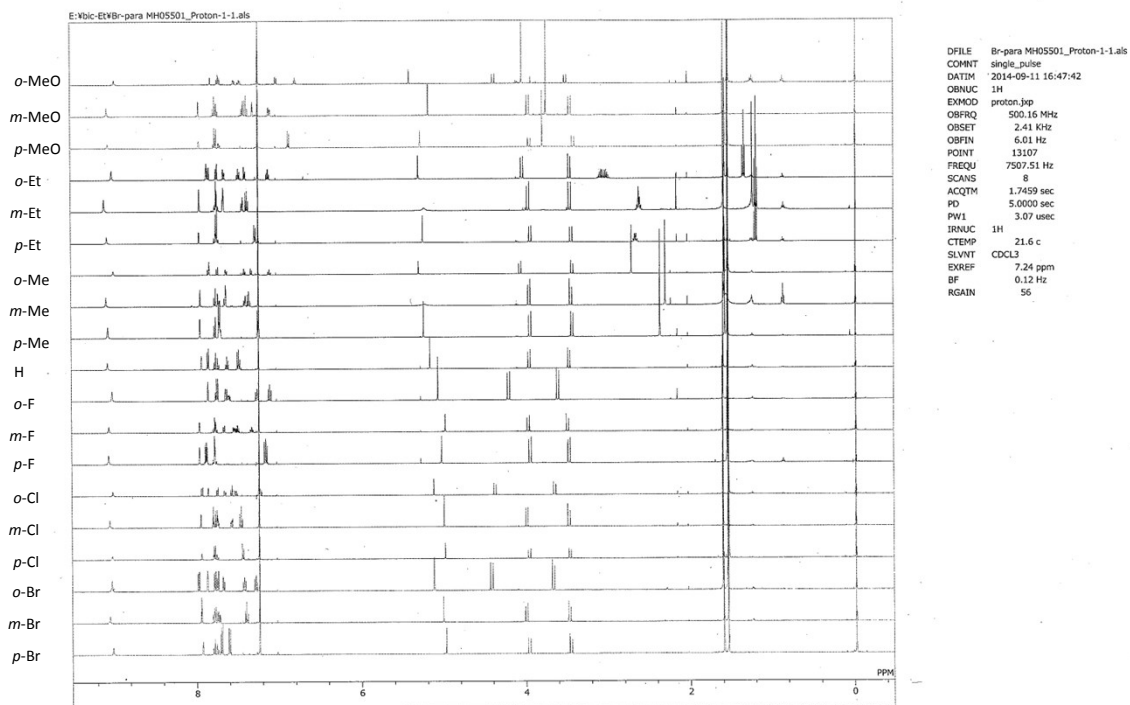
Supplementary Table 9. HPLC conditions for the purity check

comp.	mobile phase				UV detection (nm)
	1	%	2	%	
1a	MeOH	70	H ₂ O	30	242
1b	MeOH	70	H ₂ O	30	230
1c	MeOH	70	H ₂ O	30	242
2a	MeOH	35	H ₂ O	65	268
2b	MeOH	20	H ₂ O	80	268
2c	MeOH	20	H ₂ O	80	268
3a	CH ₃ CN	35	H ₂ O	65	262
3b	CH ₃ CN	35	H ₂ O	65	262
3c	CH ₃ CN	35	H ₂ O	65	262
4a	MeOH	20	0.02M NH ₄ HCO ₂	80	254
4b	MeOH	20	0.02M NH ₄ HCO ₂	80	254
4c	MeOH	20	0.02M NH ₄ HCO ₂	80	254
5a	CH ₃ CN	40	H ₂ O	60	242
5b	CH ₃ CN	40	H ₂ O	60	242
5c	CH ₃ CN	40	H ₂ O	60	242
6a	CH ₃ CN	50	0.1% TFA	50	262
6b	CH ₃ CN	50	0.1% TFA	50	242
6c	CH ₃ CN	50	0.1% TFA	50	236
7a	CH ₃ CN	60	0.1% TFA	40	232
7b	CH ₃ CN	60	0.1% TFA	40	232
7c	CH ₃ CN	60	0.1% TFA	40	232

comp.	mobile phase				UV
	1	%	2	%	detection (nm)
8a	CH ₃ CN	70	H ₂ O	30	320
8b	CH ₃ CN	70	H ₂ O	30	320
8c	CH ₃ CN	70	H ₂ O	30	320
9a	CH ₃ CN	70	H ₂ O	30	270
9b	CH ₃ CN	70	H ₂ O	30	280
9c	CH ₃ CN	70	H ₂ O	30	240
10a	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	271
10b	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	271
10c	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	271
11a	CH ₃ CN	60	H ₂ O	40	272
11b	CH ₃ CN	60	H ₂ O	40	272
11c	CH ₃ CN	60	H ₂ O	40	272
12a	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	271
12b	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	275
12c	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	271
13a	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	271
13b	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	271
13c	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	271
14a	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	275
14b	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	275
14c	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	275
15a	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	275
15b	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	275
15c	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	268
16	CH ₃ CN	50	H ₂ O	50	271

HPLC analyses to check purity were performed on an analytical column (GL Science Inc. Inertsil ODS-4 reversed-phase column, 5 μm , 4.6 mm x 150 mm) at 37 °C. Flow rate was 1 mL/min.

Supplementary Figure 1. ¹H NMR charts of bicalutamide analogs 10-16



Experimental Section

Chemistry

General

Melting points were determined on a Yanagimoto hot-stage melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on a JEOL JNM-ECA500 (500 MHz) spectrometer. ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on JEOL JNM-ECA500 (125 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts are expressed in parts per million relative to tetramethylsilane (TMS) with coupling constants in Hz. Fast atom bombardment mass spectra (FAB-MS) were recorded on a JEOL JMS-HX110 spectrometer with *m*-nitrobenzyl alcohol as a matrix. Electrospray ionization mass spectra (ESI-MS) were recorded on a Bruker micrOTOF II spectrometer. Infrared spectra (FT-IR) were recorded on a JASCO FT/IR-470 PLUS spectrometer. The FT-IR spectra were assigned with the aid of DFT predictions (Gaussian 09, M062X/6-31G*). Flash column chromatography was performed on silica gel 60N Kanto Kagaku (40–50 mm). HPLC analyses to check purity were performed on an analytical column (GL Science Inc. Inertsil ODS-4 reversed-phase column, 5 μm, 4.6 mm x 150 mm, MeOH or CH₃CN / H₂O, 0.02M NH₄HCO₂ or 0.01% TFA, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 37 °C; Supplementary Table 8). The purity of all compounds evaluated here was confirmed to be >95%.

Preparation of disubstituted benzenes 1-7

2-Bromobenzonitrile (1a)

2-Bromobenzonitrile was recrystallized from EtOH/water to afford white needles.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.69 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.0, 1.2 Hz), 7.66 (dd, 1H, *J* = 7.5, 2.2 Hz), 7.46 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 7.9, 7.9, 2.0 Hz), 7.42 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 7.7, 7.7, 1.4 Hz). Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₇H₄BrN: C, 46.09; H, 2.22; N, 7.70. Found: C 46.19, H 2.31, N 7.58. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2224 (CN, m), 1584 (m), 1466 (m), 1435 (m), 1044 (m), 757 (CH, CH-wag, s). Purity: 100% (HPLC area %).

3-Bromobenzonitrile (1b)

3-Bromobenzonitrile was recrystallized from EtOH/water to afford white needles.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.79 (dd, 1H, *J* = 1.7, 1.7 Hz), 7.74 (br d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.60 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 8.0, 1.29, 1.29 Hz), 7.36 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz). Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₇H₄BrN: C, 46.09; H, 2.22; N, 7.70. Found: C 45.90, H 2.31, N 7.58. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2230 (CN, m), 1559 (m), 1466 (m), 1409 (m), 1189 (m), 1076 (m), 894 (m), 784 (m), 675 (packer, m). Purity: 100% (HPLC area %).

4-Bromobenzonitrile (1c)

4-Bromobenzonitrile was recrystallized from EtOH/water to afford white needles.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.63 (ddd, 2H, *J* = 8.6, 2.3, 2.3 Hz), 7.52 (ddd, 2H, *J* = 8.6, 2.3, 2.3 Hz). Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₇H₄BrN: C, 46.09; H, 2.22; N, 7.70. Found: C 45.86, H 2.39, N 7.55. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2224 (CN, m), 1584 (m), 1479 (m), 1067 (m), 1013 (m), 824 (CH, CH-wag, s). Purity: 100% (HPLC area %).

1,2-Bis(methanesulfonyl)benzene (2a)

A mixture of 1,2-dithiophenol (345 mL, 3.00 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (445 mg, 3.00 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) was stirred at 0 °C. After 5 min, triethylamine (776 mg, 6.00 mmol) and iodomethane (557 μL, 9.00 mmol) were added. After 4.5 h, 2 M HCl (20 mL) was added, and the mixture was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL). The organic layer was washed with brine (20 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (AcOEt/hexane) to afford 1,2-bis(methylsulfonyl)benzene (489 mg, 96%) as a yellow oil. To a suspension of 1,2-bis(methylsulfonyl)benzene (488 mg, 2.90 mmol) in water (20 mL) was added oxone (2760 mg, 4.30 mmol). The mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 8.5 h, then extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) 3 times. The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The crude residue was purified by recrystallization from EtOH/water to afford **2a** as white columnar crystals (408 mg, 61%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.35 (dd, 2H, *J* = 5.7, 3.4 Hz), 7.87 (dd, 2H, *J* = 5.7, 3.4 Hz), 3.43 (6H, s). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M-H)⁻ calcd. for 232.9937; Found 232.9950, Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₈H₁₀S₂O₄: C, 41.01; H, 4.30, Found: C 40.92, H 4.33. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3432 (CH, aliphatic, br), 1294 (SO₂, s), 1152 (SO₂, s), 764 (CH, CH-wag, m). Purity: 99.1% (HPLC area %).

1,3-Bis(methanesulfonyl)benzene (2b)

1,3-Bis(methanesulfonyl)benzene was recrystallized from EtOH/water to afford white plates.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.53 (t, 1H, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 8.24 (dd, 2H, *J* = 8.0, 1.7 Hz), 7.83 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.7 Hz), 3.12 (s, 6H). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M-H)⁻ calcd. for 232.9937; Found 232.9923, Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₈H₁₀S₂O₄: C, 41.01; H, 4.30, Found: C 40.94, H 4.24. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3464 (CH, aliphatic, br), 1302 (SO₂, s), 1135 (SO₂, s), 675 (packer, m). Purity: 99.7% (HPLC area %).

1,4-Bis(methanesulfonyl)benzene (2c)¹

4-Bromothioanisole (1020 mg, 5.00 mmol), CuI (241 mg, 1.25 mmol), Cu(OAc)₂ (1830 mg, 10.0 mmol) were stirred in dry DMSO in a sealed tube at 160 °C. After 24 h, AcOEt (30 mL) was added, and the precipitate was removed by filtration. Water (150 mL) was added to the filtrate, and the mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (20 mL). The organic layer was washed with brine (20 mL) twice, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The residue was recrystallized from EtOH/water twice to afford 1,4-bis(methylsulfanyl)benzene as white crystals (349 mg, 41%). A suspension of 1,4-bis(methylsulfanyl)benzene (256 mg, 1.51 mmol) in water (20 mL) was treated with oxone (1500 mg, 2.34 mmol) at 60 °C for 5.5 h, then extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (12 mL) twice. The combined organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The residue was purified by recrystallization from EtOH/water to afford **2c** (248 mg, 70%) as white plates.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.17 (s, 4H), 3.11 (s, 6H). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M-H)⁻ calcd. for 232.9937; Found 232.9954. Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₈H₁₀S₂O₄: C, 41.01; H, 4.30, Found: C 40.93, H 4.39. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3466 (CH, aliphatic, br), 1318 (SO₂, s), 1155 (s), 963 (s), 840 (CH, CH-wag, m), 755 (s). Purity: 100% (HPLC area %).

2-Toluenesulfonamide (3a)

2-Toluenesulfonamide was recrystallized from hexane/AcOEt to afford white crystals.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.02 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 7.47 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.6, 7.4 Hz), 7.33 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.4 Hz), 7.32 (dd, 1H, *J* = 7.4, 7.4 Hz), 4.88-4.76 (m, 2H) 2.69 (s, 3H). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M-H)⁻ calcd. for 170.0270; Found 170.0258, Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₇H₉NSO₂: C, 49.11; H, 5.30, N, 8.18 Found: 49.12; H, 5.32, N, 8.16. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3382 (NH₂, s), 3261 (NH₂, s) 1315 (SO₂, s), 1152 (SO₂, s), 767 (CH, CH-wag, m). Purity: 99.5% (HPLC area %).

3-Toluenesulfonamide (3b)

NH₃ aq (ca. 28%, 3.0 mL) was added to a stirred solution of 3-toluenesulfonyl chloride (787 mg, 4.13 mmol) in acetone (4.0 mL) at 0 °C, and then the reaction mixture was stirred for 3.5 h at rt in a sealed tube. To remove excess NH₃, the reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h at rt after the tube had been opened. The reaction mixture was quenched with H₂O and partitioned. The organic layer was washed with H₂O, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (hexane/AcOEt = 3/2) to afford **3b** (580 mg, 3.39 mmol, 82%) as a white solid. This sample was recrystallized from AcOEt/hexane to afford as colorless plates.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.78-7.70 (m, 2H), 7.45-7.37 (m, 2H), 4.84-4.67 (m, 2H) 2.44 (s, 3H).. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M-H)⁻ calcd. for 170.0270; Found 170.0269, Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₇H₉NSO₂: C, 49.11; H, 5.30, N, 8.18 Found: 48.91; H, 5.30, N, 8.05. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3323 (NH₂, s), 3238 (NH₂, s) 1330 (SO₂, s), 1159 (SO₂, s), 687 (packer, m). Purity: 99.6% (HPLC area %).

4-Toluenesulfonamide (3c)

4-Toluenesulfonamide was recrystallized from hexane/AcOEt to afford white crystals.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.82 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.32 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 4.85-4.72 (m, 2H) 2.44 (s, 3H) HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M-H)⁻ calcd. for 170.0270; Found 170.0263, Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₇H₉NSO₂: C, 49.11; H, 5.30, N, 8.18 Found: 49.11; H, 5.29, N, 7.98. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3327 (NH₂, s), 3241 (NH₂, s) 1327 (SO₂, s), 1151 (SO₂, s), 809 (CH, CH-wag, m). Purity: 99.0% (HPLC area %).

1,2-Phenylenediamine (4a)

1,2-Phenylenediamine was recrystallized from hexane/AcOEt to afford colorless plates. This sample was kept shielded from direct light.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 6.79-6.63 (m, 4H), 3.50-3.26 (m, 4H). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M+H)⁺ calcd. for 109.0760; Found 109.0734, Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₆H₆N₂: C 66.64, H 7.46, N25.90, Found: C 66.88, H 7.57, N25.75. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3385 (NH₂, s), 3364 (NH₂, s) 1631 (m), 1592 (m), 1500 (s), 1458 (m), 1274 (s), 748 (CH, CH-wag, m). Purity: 100% (HPLC area %).

1,3-Phenylenediamine (4b)

1,3-Phenylenediamine was recrystallized from hexane/AcOEt to afford white needles. This sample was kept shielded from direct light.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 6.94 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 6.12 (dd, 2H, *J* = 7.6, 2.2 Hz), 6.03 (t, 1H, *J* = 2.2 Hz), 3.70-3.43 (m, 4H). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M+H)⁺ calcd. for 109.0760; Found 109.0737, Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₆H₆N₂: C 66.64, H 7.46, N25.90, Found: C 66.72, H 7.58, N25.79. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3395 (NH₂, s), 3326 (NH₂, s), 1603 (br), 1493 (br), 1196 (m), 1159 (m), 841 (m), 781 (m), 687 (packer, m). Purity: 100% (HPLC area %).

1,4-Phenylenediamine (4c)

1,4-Phenylenediamine was recrystallized from AcOEt to afford pale pink plates. This sample was kept shielded from direct light.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 6.57 (s, 4H), 3.41-3.24 (m, 4H). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M+H)⁺ calcd. for 109.0760; Found 109.0735, Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₆H₆N₂: C 66.64, H 7.46, N25.90, Found: C 66.94, H 7.60, N25.91. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3410 (NH₂, s), 3374 (NH₂, s) 1630 (m), 1516 (br), 1263 (s), 833 (CH, CH-wag, m), 717 (br). Purity: 100% (HPLC area %).

2-Bromoacetanilide (5a)

2-Bromoacetanilide was recrystallized from H₂O/EtOH to afford white needles.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.33 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (br s, 1H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (br dd, *J* = 7.7, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 2.23 (s, 3H). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M+H)⁺ calcd. for 213.9862; Found 213.9857. Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₈H₈NBrO: C 44.89, H 3.77, N6.54, Found: C 44.86, H 3.79, N6.54. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3475 (NH, br), 3278 (CH₃, s) 1660 (CO, s), 1532 (m), 1298 (m), 762 (CH, CH-wag, m). Purity: 100% (HPLC area %).

3-Bromoacetanilide (5b)

A mixture of 3-bromoaniline (869 mg, 5.05 mmol), Ac₂O (540 mg, 5.29 mmol), DMAP (61.0 mg, 0.500 mmol) in toluene (10 mL) was stirred at room temperature overnight. Saturated NaHCO₃.aq. was added, and the mixture was extracted with AcOEt. The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. A mixture was recrystallized from hexane/AcOEt to afford **5b** (412 mg, 38 %) as colorless yellow needles.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.75 (br s, 1H), 7.40 (br d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (br d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.17 (s, 3H). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M+H)⁺ calcd. for 213.9862; Found 213.9857, Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₈H₈NBrO: C 44.89, H 3.77, N6.54, Found: C 44.53, H 3.80, N6.53. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3294 (s) 3249 (s), 3181 (m), 3112 (m), 3077 (m), 1686 (s), 1666 (s), 1592 (s), 1543 (s), 1473 (s), 1418 (s), 1311 (m), 1281 (m), 777 (m), 680 (packer, m). Purity: 100% (HPLC area %).

4-Bromoacetanilide (5c)

4-Bromoacetanilide was recrystallized from AcOEt to afford white needles.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.44-7.37 (m, 4H), 7.21 (br s, 1H), 2.02 (s, 3H). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M+H)⁺ calcd. for 213.9862; Found 213.9859, Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₈H₈NBrO: C 44.89, H 3.77, N6.54,

Found: C 44.92, H 3.85, N6.53. 3511 (NH, br), 3294 (s) 3260 (s), 3187 (m), 3115 (m), 1669 (CO, s), 1602 (s), 1586 (s), 1533 (s), 1487 (s), 1394 (s), 1308 (s), 1255 (s), 1096 (s), 1008 (s), 831 (CH, CH-wag, s), 820 (s), 741 (s). Purity: 100% (HPLC area %).

2-Toluic acid (6a)

2-Toluic acid was recrystallized from H₂O/EtOH to afford white needles.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 7.77 (br d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.40 (ddd, *J* = 7.4, 7.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (d, H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 7.24 (dd, H, *J* = 8.0, 7.5 Hz), 2.45 (s, 3H). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M-H)⁻ calcd. for 135.0441; Found 135.0432. Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₈H₈O₂: C 70.57, H 5.92, Found: C 70.18, H 5.83. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2972 (OH, br), 1920 (CO, s), 1408 (m), 1316 (s), 1272 (s), 1088 (m), 916 (m), 471 (CH, CH-wag, m). Purity: 99.9% (HPLC area %).

3-Toluic acid (6b)

3-Toluic acid was recrystallized from H₂O/EtOH to afford faintly yellow needles.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 7.73 (br s, H), 7.70 (br d, 1H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 7.39 (br d, 1H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 7.34 (dd, 1H, *J* = 7.4, 7.4 Hz), 2.32 (s, 3H). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M-H)⁻ calcd. for 135.0441; Found 135.0432. Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₈H₈O₂: C 70.57, H 5.92, Found: C 70.36, H 6.00. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2925 (OH, br), 1687 (CO, s), 1433 (s), 1416 (s), 1311 (s), 1283 (s), 1215 (s), 931 (m), 747 (CH, CH-wag, m). Purity: 100% (HPLC area %).

4-Toluic acid (6c)

4-Toluic acid was recrystallized from H₂O/EtOH to afford faintly yellow needles.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ: 7.80 (br d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.25 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 2.32 (s, 3H). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M-H)⁻ calcd. for 135.0441; Found 135.0427, Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₈H₈O₂: C 70.57, H 5.92, Found: C 70.25, H 5.93. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2979 (OH, br), 1680 (CO, s), 1611 (s), 1577 (s), 1418 (s), 1322 (s), 1183 (s), 1118 (s), 961 (m), 949 (m), 840 (m), 755 (CH, CH-wag, m). Purity: 100% (HPLC area %).

2-*tert*-Butylbenzoic acid (7a)³

To a stirred solution of 2-fluorobenzoic acid (426 mg, 2.50 mmol) in anhydrous THF (10 mL) at -78 °C was added dropwise *t*-BuLi (3.20 mL, 5.00 mmol). After 2 h, 1 M HCl (20 mL) was added, and the mixture was

warmed to room temperature, and extracted with AcOEt (20 mL) 2 times. The organic layer was washed with brine (20 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt) followed by recrystallization (EtOH/water) to afford **7a** (170 mg, 39%) as white needles.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ: 7.49 (br d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.34 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 7.7, 7.7, 1.7 Hz), 7.28 (dd, 1H, *J* = 7.5, 1.7 Hz), 7.19 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 7.5, 7.5, 1.2 Hz) 1.41 (s, 9H). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M-H)⁻ calcd. for 177.0910; Found 177.0910, Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₄O₂: C 74.13, H 7.92, Found: C 73.88, H 8.13. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2971 (OH, br), 1690 (CO, s), 1405 (s), 1302 (s), 1264 (s), 1074 (s), 924 (m), 760 (CH, CH-wag, m). Purity: 100% (HPLC area %).

3-*tert*-Butylbenzoic acid (7b)

To a stirred solution of 3-bromo-*tert*-butylbenzene (426 mL, 2.50 mmol) in anhydrous THF (10 mL) at -78 °C was added dropwise *n*-BuLi (1.6 M, 3.20 mL, 5.00 mmol). After 15 min, an excess of dry ice was added. After 10 min, the mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature, and 1 M HCl (20 mL) was added. The whole was extracted with AcOEt (20 mL). The organic layer was washed with brine (20 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt) and recrystallization (EtOH/water) to afford **7b** as white crystals (253 mg, 57%).

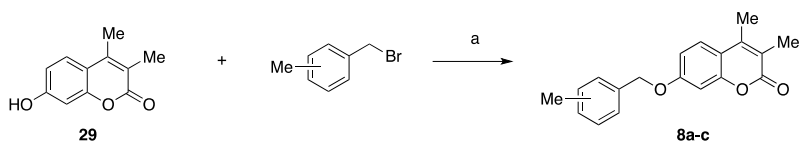
¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 8.16 (dd, 1H, *J* = 1.7, 1.7 Hz), 7.95 (dd, 1H, *J* = 1.7, 1.2 Hz), 7.93 (br s, 1H), 7.66 (br d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.41 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.0, 7.5 Hz), 1.36 (9H, s). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M-H)⁻ calcd. for 177.0910; Found 177.0921 Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₄O₂: C 74.13, H 7.92, Found: C 74.05, H 7.87. IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 2967 (OH, br), 1684 (CO, s), 1300 (s), 1259 (s), 953 (m), 764 (CH, CH-wag, m). Purity: 100% 100% (HPLC area %).

4-*tert*-Butylbenzoic acid (7c)

To a stirred solution of 4-bromo-*tert*-butylbenzene (426 mL, 2.50 mmol) in anhydrous THF (10 mL) at -78 °C was added dropwise *n*-BuLi (1.6 M, 3.20 mL, 5 mmol). After 15 min, an excess of dry ice was added. After 10 min, the mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature, and 1 M HCl (20 mL) was added. The whole was extracted with AcOEt (20 mL) twice. The combined organic layer was washed with brine (20 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt) and recrystallization (EtOH/water) to give **7c** (239 mg, 54%) as white plates.

^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 8.04 (br d, 2H, $J = 8.6$ Hz), 7.49 (br d, 2H, $J = 8.6$ Hz), 1.35 (s, 9H). HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z (M-H) $^-$ calcd. for 177.0910; Found 177.0912 Elem. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_2$: C 74.13, H 7.92, Found: C 74.04, H 7.88. IR (KBr, cm^{-1}): 2964 (OH, br), 1686 (CO, s), 1610 (s), 1424 (s), 1318 (s), 1289 (s), 941 (m), 856 (CH, CH-wag, m). Purity: 100% (HPLC area %).

Preparation of MAO inhibitors **8a-c**



Scheme S1. Reagents and conditions: a) K_2CO_3 , DMF, 100 °C.

General procedure B (GP-B)

7-Hydroxy-3,4-dimethyl-2H-chromen-2-one (**29**)⁴ (1.0 eq) was dissolved in dry DMF, and α -bromoxylene (1.2 eq), and K_2CO_3 (1.0 eq) were added. The suspension was refluxed at 100 °C for 12 h. After cooling to room temperature, the precipitate was removed by filtration. Water was added to the filtrate, and the mixture was extracted with AcOEt. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na_2SO_4 , and concentrated. The resulting mixture was purified by recrystallization (MeOH/water) to give the product.

3,4-Dimethyl-7-(2-methylbenzyloxy)-2H-chromen-2-one (**8a**)

This compound was prepared according to GP-B and purified by recrystallization (MeOH/water) to give **8a** as colorless needles (75%).

¹H-NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ : 7.67 (d, 1H, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 7.39 (d, 1H, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 7.25-7.15 (m, 3H), 7.06 (d, 1H, $J = 2.9$ Hz), 6.99 (dd, 1H, $J = 9.2, 2.9$ Hz), 5.16 (s, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.04 (s, 3H). HR-MS (ESI-TOF) m/z (M+H)⁺ calcd. for 295.1329; Found 295.1353, Elem. Anal. Calcd for $C_{19}H_{18}O_3$: C 77.53, H 6.16, Found: C 77.32, H 6.24. Purity: 99.3% (HPLC area %).

3,4-Dimethyl-7-(3-methylbenzyloxy)-2H-chromen-2-one (**8b**)

This compound was prepared according to GP-B and purified by recrystallization (MeOH/water) to give **8b** as colorless needles (67%).

¹H-NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ : 7.63 (d, 1H, $J = 8.6$ Hz), 7.26-7.20 (m, 3H), 7.11 (d, 1H, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 6.98-6.93 (m, 2H), 5.11 (s, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z (M+H)⁺ calcd. for 295.1329; Found 295.1327, Elem. Anal. Calcd for $C_{19}H_{18}O_3$: C 77.53, H 6.16, Found: C 77.31, H 6.30. Purity: 99.2% (HPLC area %)

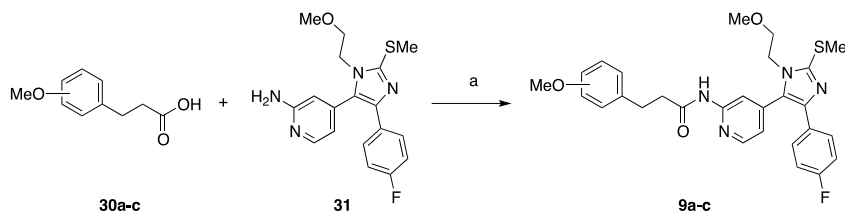
3,4-Dimethyl-7-(4-methylbenzyloxy)-2H-chromen-2-one (**8c**)

This compound was prepared according to GP-B and purified by recrystallization (MeOH/water) to give **8c** as

colorless needles (83%).

¹H-NMR (DMSO-*d*₆): δ: 7.64 (d, 1H, *J* = 9.2 Hz), 7.32 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.17 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 6.98 (d, 1H, *J* = 2.9 Hz), 6.95 (dd, 1H, *J* = 9.2, 2.9 Hz), 5.11 (d, 2H), 2.31 (d, 3H), 2.67 (s, 3H), 2.03 (s, 3H), HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M+H)⁺ calcd. for 295.1329; Found 295.1323, Elem. Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₁₈O₃: C 77.53, H 6.16, Found: C 77.43, H 6.33. Purity: 99.8% (HPLC area %).

Preparation of p38 MAP kinase inhibitors 9a-c



Scheme S2. Reagents and conditions: a) EDCI, DMAP, THF, reflux.

General procedure C (GP-C)

Under an argon atmosphere, a mixture of 4-[5-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-(2-methoxyethyl)-2-methylsulfanyl-3H-imidazol-4-yl]pyridin-2-ylamine (**31**) (1.0 eq), (methoxyphenyl)propionic acid (3.0 eq), DMAP (3.0 eq) and EDCI (3.0 eq) in dry THF was stirred under reflux until the reaction was completed. The solvent was removed in vacuo, and AcOEt was added to the residue. The organic layer was washed with H₂O, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (CHCl₃: MeOH) and recrystallization (EtOH: H₂O).

N-{4-[5-(4-Fluorophenyl)-3-(2-methoxyethyl)-2-methylsulfanyl-3H-imidazol-4-yl]pyridin-2-yl}-3-(2-methoxyphenyl)propionamide (**9a**)

This compound was prepared according to GP-C and purified by recrystallization (EtOH: H₂O) to give a white solid (52%).

¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 8.50 (br s, 1H), 8.30 (s, 1H), 8.22 (d, 1H, *J* = 5.2 Hz), 7.39 (br dd, 2H, *J* = 8.6, 5.4 Hz), 7.20 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 8.0, 8.0, 1.7 Hz), 7.16 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 6.93-6.84 (m, 5H), 4.09 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.48 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 3.22 (s, 3H), 3.03 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 2.71 (s, 3H), 2.69 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.5 Hz). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M+H)⁺ calcd. for 521.2017; Found 521.2037. Purity: 99.7% (HPLC area %).

N-{4-[5-(4-Fluorophenyl)-3-(2-methoxyethyl)-2-methylsulfanyl-3H-imidazol-4-yl]pyridin-2-yl}-3-(3-

methoxyphenyl)propionamide (9b)

This compound was prepared according to GP-C and purified by recrystallization (EtOH: H₂O) to give a white solid (62%).

¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 8.78 (s, 1H) 8.30 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, 1H, *J* = 5.2 Hz), 7.39 (br dd, 2H, *J* = 9.2, 5.7 Hz), 7.18 (dd, 1H, *J* = 7.7, 7.7 Hz), 6.93 (dd, 1H, *J* = 5.2, 1.7 Hz), 6.89 (dd, 2H, *J* = 8.9, 8.9 Hz), 6.78 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 6.76-6.72 (m, 2H). 4.08 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.49 (t, 2H, *J* = 5.7 Hz), 3.21 (s, 3H), 3.00 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.7 Hz), 2.73-2.68 (m, 5H). HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M+H)⁺ calcd. for 521.2017; Found 521.2012, 99.6% (HPLC area %).

***N*-{4-[5-(4-Fluorophenyl)-3-(2-methoxyethyl)-2-methylsulfanyl-3*H*-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridin-2-yl}-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-propionamide (9c)**

This compound was prepared according to GP-C and purified by recrystallization (EtOH: H₂O) to give a white solid (65%).

¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 8.63 (br s, 1H), 8.29 (s, 1H), 8.21 (d, 1H, *J* = 5.2 Hz), 7.40 (br dd, 2H, *J* = 9.2, 5.8 Hz), 7.11 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 6.93 (dd, 1H, *J* = 5.2, 1.7 Hz), 6.90 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.9, 8.9 Hz), 6.81 (br d, 1H, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 4.08 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.49 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 3.22 (s, 3H), 2.97 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.4 Hz), 2.71 (s, 3H), 2.67 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.7 Hz), HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M+H)⁺ calcd. for 521.2017; Found 521.2036, 99.9% (HPLC area %).

(R)-1-(2-Methylacryloyl)pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid (18)

A solution of methacryloyl chloride (2.32 g, 22.1 mmol) in acetone (12 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of D-proline (**17**) (2.50 g, 21.7 mmol) in 2 M NaOHaq (12 mL) at 0 °C. During the addition, the pH was monitored and kept within the range of 10.3±0.3 via simultaneous addition of 2 M NaOHaq. After the addition, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and then stirred for 3 h. After evaporation of the acetone, the aqueous phase was acidified to pH 2 with 1 M HCl, and NaCl was added till saturation. The resulting solution was extracted with AcOEt, and the combined organic extract was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. Purification of the residue by silica gel column chromatography (CHCl₃/MeOH=10/3) afforded **18** as a white solid (2.91 g, 73.1%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.39 (s, 1H), 5.27 (s, 1H), 4.65-4.56 (m, 1H), 3.65-3.58 (m, 2H), 2.48-2.44 (m, 1H), 2.20-2.08 (m, 1H), 2.06-2.01 (m, 2H), 1.96-1.86 (m, 1H), 1.99 (s, 3H). FAB-MS *m/z* 184 (M+H)⁺.

(3R,8aR)-3-(Bromomethyl)-3-methyltetrahydro-1H-pyrrolo[2,1-c][1,4]oxazine-1,4(3H)-dione (19)

To a solution of **18** (3.19 g, 17.4 mmol) in CCl₄ (9 mL) and dry DMF (11.3 mL), a solution of NBS (4.02 g, 22.6 mmol) in dry DMF (14.2 mL) was added dropwise in a light-shielded environment at 0 °C. After the addition, the reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 2 h, allowed to warm to room temperature, and then stirred for an additional 23 h. After the evaporation of CCl₄, brine was added, and the mixture was extracted with AcOEt. The combined organic extract was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. Purification of the residue by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt=1/2) afforded **19** as a white solid (3.91 g, 86%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.56-4.51 (m, 1H), 3.88 (d, 1H, *J* = 11.4 Hz), 3.75-3.70 (m, 1H), 3.65-3.57 (m, 2H), 2.54-2.47 (m, 1H), 2.15-2.02 (m, 2H), 2.00-1.92 (m, 1H), 1.74 (s, 3H). FAB-MS *m/z* 262 (M+H)⁺.

(R)-3-Bromo-2-hydroxy-2-methylpropanoic acid (20)

A solution of **19** (1.00 g, 3.82 mmol) in 24% aqueous HBr (17 mL) was heated to 100 °C for 90 min, then cooled to room temperature, and NaCl was added till saturation. The mixture was extracted with AcOEt. The organic phase was extracted with saturated NaHCO₃ aqueous solution, and the resulting aqueous phase was acidified to pH 1, and extracted with AcOEt. The combined organic extract was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. Purification of the residue by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt=1/1) afforded **20** as a white solid (515 mg, 74%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 3.68 (d, 1H, *J* = 10.3 Hz), 3.58 (d, 1H, *J* = 10.3 Hz), 1.41 (s, 3H). FAB-MS

m/z 154 (M+H)⁺.

(R)-3-Bromo-N-[4-cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-2-hydroxy-2-methylpropanamide (21)

Thionyl chloride (0.471 mL, 6.49 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of **20** (500 mg, 2.73 mmol) in CH₃CN (10 mL) at 5 °C. Stirring was continued for 2 h at the same temperature, and then triethylamine (0.691 mL, 4.96 mmol) was added slowly. A solution of 4-amino-(2-trifluoromethyl)benzotrile (615 mg, 3.30 mmol) in CH₃CN was added to the reaction mixture at 5 °C. Stirring was continued at the same temperature for 3 h and then at room temperature for an additional 20 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with AcOEt and washed with NaHCO₃ aqueous solution and brine. The combined organic phase was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. Purification of the residue by silica gel column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂) afforded **21** as a white solid (702 mg, 73%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.09 (d, 1H, J = 2.3 Hz), 7.96 (dd, 1H, J = 8.6, 2.3 Hz), 7.82 (d, 1H, J = 8.6 Hz), 4.03 (d, 1H, J = 10.6 Hz), 3.60 (d, 1H, J = 10.6 Hz), 1.64 (s, 3H). FAB-MS m/z 352 (M+H)⁺.

General procedure A (GP-A)

A solution of **21** (1.0 eq) in dry THF was added to a suspension of the sodium salt of thiophenol (prepared from a 60% sodium hydride dispersion in oil and thiophenol in dry THF, 1.3 eq). The mixture was stirred for 20 h, then water was added carefully, and the whole was extracted with AcOEt. The combined AcOEt extract was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated to yield a sulfide **22-28** as a brown oil.

To a solution of sulfide **22-28** in dry CH₂Cl₂ was added 70% *m*CPBA (2.6 eq). The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature, then diluted with Na₂S₂O₃ aqueous solution, and extracted with AcOEt. The combined organic layer was washed with NaHCO₃ aqueous solution, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in reduced pressure. Purification of the residue by silica gel column chromatography (AcOEt/hexane=1/1) afforded the target compound as a white solid.

(R)-N-(4-Cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-3-(*o*-tolylsulfonyl)propanamide (10a)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (100 mg, 0.285 mmol), 2-methylthiophenol (44.6 μL, 0.379 mmol), 60% NaH (15.0 mg, 0.625 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (181 mg, 0.735 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (16.2 mg, 13%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.01 (s, 1H), 7.87-7.84 (m, 2H), 7.75 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 7.64 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.6, 2.3 Hz), 7.42 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 7.4, 7.4, 1.2 Hz), 7.34 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 7.12 (dd, 1H, *J* = 7.4, 7.4 Hz), 5.31 (s, 1H), 4.07 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.3 Hz), 3.44 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.3 Hz), 2.72 (s, 3H), 1.59 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.4, 141.0, 138.9, 136.8, 135.7, 134.6, 134.0 (q, *J* = 32.2 Hz), 133.2, 129.5, 126.5, 122.1 (q, *J* = 271.8 Hz), 121.9, 117.4 (q, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 115.5, 105.0, 74.3, 60.0, 28.0, 20.3. FAB-MS *m/z* 427 (M+H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₁₇F₃N₂O₄S: C, 53.52; H, 4.02; N, 6.57. Found: C, 53.24; H, 4.12; N, 6.69. Purity: 99.3% (HPLC area %).

(*R*)-*N*-(4-Cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-3-(*m*-tolylsulfonyl)propanamide (10b)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (100 mg, 0.285 mmol), 3-methylthiophenol (45.1 μL, 0.379 mmol), 60% NaH (15.0 mg, 0.625 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (181 mg, 0.735 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (30.9 mg, 25%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.10 (s, 1H), 7.97 (d, 1H, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 7.79 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.74 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.6, 2.3 Hz), 7.68-7.64 (m, 2H), 7.43 (br d, 1H, 7.5 Hz), 7.38 (dd, 2H, 7.7 Hz), 5.25 (br s, 1H), 3.98 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.3 Hz), 3.47 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.3 Hz), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.59 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.5, 141.1, 134.0, 138.7, 135.7, 135.4, 134.0 (q, *J* = 32.8 Hz), 129.4, 128.1, 125.0, 122.1 (q, *J* = 273.9 Hz), 121.8, 117.3 (q, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 115.4, 104.9, 74.3, 61.2, 27.8, 21.2. FAB-MS *m/z* 427 (M+H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₁₇F₃N₂O₄S: C, 53.52; H, 4.02; N, 6.57. Found: C, 53.41; H, 4.07; N, 6.54. Purity: 99.5% (HPLC area %).

(*R*)-*N*-(4-Cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-3-tosylpropanamide (10c)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (100 mg, 0.285 mmol), 4-methylthiophenol (44.8 μL, 0.379 mmol), 60% NaH (15.0 mg, 0.625 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (181 mg, 0.735 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (29.8 mg, 25%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.07 (s, 1H), 7.96 (d, 1H, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 7.78 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 7.74-7.70 (m, 3H), 7.27-7.24 (m, 2H), 5.25 (s, 1H), 3.96 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.3 Hz), 3.45 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.3 Hz), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.58 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.6, 146.0, 141.2, 135.9, 135.8, 135.7, 134.1 (q, *J* = 32.2 Hz), 130.1, 128.0, 122.1 (q, *J* = 271.8 Hz), 121.9, 117.4 (q, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 115.4, 105.0, 74.4, 61.3, 27.9, 21.7. FAB-MS *m/z* 427 (M+H)⁺. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M-H)⁻ calcd. for 425.0794; Found 425.0777. Purity: 99.2% (HPLC area

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(R)-N-(4-Cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-((2-ethylphenyl)sulfonyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methylpropanamide (11a)

This compound was prepared according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization (2-butanone/hexane) to give colorless needles (68%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.02 (s, 1H), 7.88 (d, 1H, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 7.85 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.0, 1.2 Hz), 7.76 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 7.66 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.6, 2.3 Hz), 7.49 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 7.4, 7.4, 1.2 Hz), 7.41 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.14 (br dd, 1H, *J* = 7.4 Hz), 5.31 (s, 1H), 4.05 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.3 Hz), 3.48 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.3 Hz), 3.13-2.98 (m, 2H), 1.59 (s, 3H), 1.35 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.4 Hz). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.5, 145.0, 141.1, 136.5, 135.8, 134.7, 134.0 (q, *J* = 32.2 Hz), 131.4, 129.6, 126.4, 122.1 (q, *J* = 273.0 Hz), 121.9, 117.5 (q, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 115.5, 105.0, 74.4, 61.0, 27.9, 26.1, 15.7. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M-H)⁻ calcd. for 439.0934; Found 439.0960. Purity: 99.3% (HPLC area %).

(R)-N-(4-Cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-((3-ethylphenyl)sulfonyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methylpropanamide (11b)

This compound was prepared according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization (*i*-Pr₂O/hexane) to give colorless needles (76%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.12 (s, 1H), 8.01 (d, 1H, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 7.80-7.74 (m, 2H), 7.70-7.66 (m, 2H), 7.46 (br d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.40 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 5.25 (br s, 1H), 3.99 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.3 Hz), 3.48 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.3 Hz), 2.67-2.59 (m, 2H), 1.26 (s, 3H), 1.21 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.4 Hz). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.7, 146.3, 138.9, 135.8, 134.3, 134.0 (q, *J* = 33.4 Hz), 129.5, 127.1, 125.3, 122.2 (q, *J* = 273.0 Hz), 122.0, 117.5 (q, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 115.5, 104.9, 76.9, 61.5, 28.6, 27.9, 15.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M-H)⁻ calcd. for 439.0934; Found 439.0936. Purity: 99.8% (HPLC area %).

(R)-N-(4-Cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-((4-ethylphenyl)sulfonyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methylpropanamide (11c)

This compound was prepared according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization (AcOEt/hexane) to give faint pink needles (72%)

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.07 (s, 1H), 7.96 (d, 1H, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 7.77-7.72 (m, 4H), 7.31 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.6

Hz), 5.25 (s, 1H), 3.94 (d, 1H, $J = 14.6$ Hz), 3.44 (d, 1H, $J = 14.6$ Hz), 2.67 (dq, 2H, $J = 7.7, 2.3$ Hz), 1.58 (s, 3H), 1.19 (t, 3H, $J = 7.7$ Hz). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.6, 152.1, 141.2, 136.1, 135.8, 134.1 (q, $J = 32.2$ Hz), 129.0, 128.1, 122.1 (q, $J = 271.9$ Hz), 117.4 (q, $J = 4.8$ Hz), 105.0, 74.4, 61.3, 28.9, 27.9, 15.0. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z (M-H) $^-$ calcd. for 439.0934; Found 439.0957. Purity: 99.5% (HPLC area %).

(R)-N-(4-Cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-((2-fluorophenyl)sulfonyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methylpropanamide (12a)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (100 mg, 0.285 mmol), 2-fluorothiophenol (40.4 μL , 0.379 mmol), 60% NaH (15.0 mg, 0.625 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (180 mg, 0.728 mmol) and CH_2Cl_2 (3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (21.7 mg, 18%).

^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.03 (s, 1H), 7.88 (d, 1H, $J = 2.3$ Hz), 7.79-7.76 (m, 2H), 7.66 (dd, 1H $J = 8.6, 1.7$ Hz), 7.64-7.60 (m, 1H), 7.30-7.28 (m, 1H), 7.13 (ddd, 1H, $J = 7.7, 7.7, 1.2$ Hz), 5.09 (s, 1H), 4.23 (d, 1H, $J = 14.9$ Hz), 3.63 (d, 1H, $J = 14.9$ Hz), 1.62 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.2, 159.9 (d, $J = 256.7$ Hz), 140.9, 137.1 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 135.7, 134.0 (q, $J = 32.8$ Hz), 129.6, 126.9 (d, $J = 14.4$ Hz), 124.6 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 122.0 (q, $J = 274.3$ Hz), 121.8, 117.6 (d, $J = 21.6$ Hz), 117.3 (q, $J = 5.2$ Hz), 115.3, 105.0, 74.3, 60.8, 27.6. FAB-MS m/z 431 (M+H) $^+$. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_4\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}$: C, 50.23; H, 3.28; N, 6.51. Found: C, 50.14; H, 3.34; N, 6.53. Purity: 98.8% (HPLC area %).

(R)-N-(4-Cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-((3-fluorophenyl)sulfonyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methylpropanamide (12b)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (92.0 mg, 0.262 mmol), 3-fluorothiophenol (37.1 μL , 0.349 mmol), 60% NaH (13.8 mg, 0.575 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (126 mg, 0.511 mmol) and CH_2Cl_2 (3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (13.2 mg, 16%).

^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.08 (s, 1H), 7.98 (d, 1H, $J = 1.7$ Hz), 7.82-7.78 (m, 2H), 7.68 (br d, 1H, $J = 8.6$ Hz), 7.56 (ddd, 1H, $J = 9.7, 2.3, 2.3$ Hz), 7.52 (ddd, 1H, $J = 8.0, 8.0, 5.2$ Hz), 7.35 (br ddd, 1H, $J = 8.0, 8.0, 3.4$ Hz), 5.01 (s, 1H), 3.99 (d, 1H, $J = 14.3$ Hz), 3.52 (d, 1H, $J = 14.3$ Hz), 1.63 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.3, 162.5 (d, $J = 253.0$ Hz), 141.0, 141.0, 135.9, 134.2 (q, $J = 33.6$ Hz), 131.6 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz), 123.8 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz), 122.1 (q, $J = 273.8$ Hz), 122.1, 121.9, 117.4 (q, $J = 4.8$ Hz), 115.4 (d, $J = 12.6$ Hz),

115.4, 105.3, 74.5, 61.5, 27.8. FAB-MS m/z 431 (M+H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₄F₄N₂O₄S: C, 50.23; H, 3.28; N, 6.51. Found: C, 50.09; H, 3.28; N, 6.51. Purity: 98.9% (HPLC area %).

(R)-N-(4-Cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3-((4-fluorophenyl)sulfonyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methylpropanamide (12c)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (92.0 mg, 0.262 mmol), 4-fluorothiophenol (37.1 μ L, 0.349 mmol), 60% NaH (13.8 mg, 0.575 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (208 mg, 0.847 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (18.0 mg, 16%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.08 (s, 1H), 7.98 (d, 1H, J = 1.7 Hz), 7.90 (ddd, 2H, J = 9.2, 5.2, 2.3 Hz) 7.81-7.77 (m, 2H), 7.18 (br dd, 2H, J = 9.2, 8.0 Hz), 5.05 (s, 1H), 3.97 (d, 1H, J = 14.3 Hz), 3.50 (d, 1H, J = 14.3 Hz), 1.62 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.4, 166.3 (d, J = 259.1 Hz), 141.0, 135.8, 135.0, 134.1 (q, J = 33.2 Hz), 130.9 (d, J = 9.6 Hz), 122.0 (q, J = 274.3 Hz), 121.8, 117.3 (q, J = 6.0 Hz), 116.9 (d, J = 22.8 Hz), 115.3, 105.1, 74.5, 61.5, 27.7. FAB-MS m/z 431 (M+H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₄F₄N₂O₄S: C, 50.23; H, 3.28; N, 6.51. Found: C, 50.23; H, 3.36; N, 6.44. Purity: 99.6% (HPLC area %).

(R)-3-((2-Chlorophenyl)sulfonyl)-N-(4-cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methylpropanamide (13a)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (100 mg, 0.285 mmol), 2-chlorothiophenol (43.2 μ L, 0.380 mmol), 60% NaH (15.0 mg, 0.624 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (211 mg, 0.856 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (56.9 mg, 45%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.03 (s, 1H), 7.95 (dd, 1H, J = 8.0, 1.8 Hz), 7.88 (d, 1H, J = 1.8 Hz), 7.77 (d, 1H, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.67 (dd, 1H, J = 8.0, 1.5 Hz), 7.60 (dd, 1H, J = 8.0, 1.5 Hz), 7.54 (ddd, 1H, J = 8.0, 7.5, 1.7 Hz), 7.29-7.25 (m, 1H), 5.15 (s, 1H), 4.40 (d, 1H, J = 14.6 Hz), 3.67 (d, 1H, J = 14.6 Hz), 1.62 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.4, 141.1, 136.6, 135.8, 135.6, 134.0 (q, J = 32.2 Hz), 133.4, 132.3, 130.9, 127.3, 122.1 (q, J = 271.8 Hz), 121.9, 117.4 (q, J = 4.8 Hz), 115.5, 105.0, 74.50, 59.7, 27.7. FAB-MS m/z 447 (M+H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₄ClF₃N₂O₄S: C, 48.39; H, 3.16; N, 6.27. Found: C, 48.38; H, 3.26; N, 6.32. Purity: 98.2% (HPLC area %).

(R)-3-((3-Chlorophenyl)sulfonyl)-N-(4-cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methylpropanamide (13b)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (100 mg, 0.285 mmol), 3-chlorothiophenol (43.2 μ L, 0.380 mmol), 60% NaH (15.0 mg, 0.624 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (211 mg, 0.856 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (92.8 mg, 73%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.07 (s, 1H), 7.97 (d, 1H, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 7.82 (dd, 1H, *J* = 1.7, 1.7 Hz), 7.79-7.75 (m, 3H), 7.60-7.58 (m, 1H), 7.48 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.0, 8.0 Hz), 5.02 (s, 1H), 4.01 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.6 Hz), 3.49 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.6 Hz), 1.62 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.3, 140.9, 140.6, 135.9, 135.9, 134.8, 134.2 (q, *J* = 33.4 Hz), 131.0, 128.1, 126.2, 122.1 (q, *J* = 271.8 Hz), 121.9, 117.4 (q, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 115.4, 105.0, 74.5, 61.5, 27.9. FAB-MS *m/z* 447 (M+H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₄ClF₃N₂O₄S: C, 48.39; H, 3.16; N, 6.27. Found: C, 48.28; H, 3.32; N, 6.26. Purity: 99.4% (HPLC area %).

(R)-3-((4-Chlorophenyl)sulfonyl)-N-(4-cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methylpropanamide (13c)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (100 mg, 0.285 mmol), 4-chlorothiophenol (43.2 μ L, 0.380 mmol), 60% NaH (15.0 mg, 0.624 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (211 mg, 0.856 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (95.5 mg, 75%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.04 (s, 1H), 7.96 (d, 1H, *J* = 2.3 Hz), 7.82-7.79 (m, 3H), 7.77 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.6, 2.0 Hz), 7.46 (br d, 2H, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 5.01 (s, 1H), 7.47-7.45 (m, 2H), 3.98 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.3 Hz), 3.49 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.3 Hz), 1.61 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.3, 141.6, 140.9, 137.2, 135.8, 134.2 (q, *J* = 32.8 Hz), 129.8, 129.4, 122.0 (q, *J* = 274.3 Hz), 121.8, 117.2 (q, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 115.3, 105.1, 74.4, 61.4, 27.8. FAB-MS *m/z* 447 (M+H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₄ClF₃N₂O₄S: C, 48.39; H, 3.16; N, 6.27. Found: C, 48.39; H, 3.34; N, 6.31. Purity: 98.9% (HPLC area %).

(R)-3-((2-Bromophenyl)sulfonyl)-N-(4-cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methylpropanamide (14a)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (143 mg, 0.407 mmol), 2-bromothiophenol (65.3 μ L, 0.543 mmol), 60% NaH (21.4 mg, 0.892 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (301 mg, 1.22 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂

(3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (108 mg, 54%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.04 (s, 1H), 7.99 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.0, 1.7 Hz), 7.88 (d, 1H, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 7.79 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.0, 1.2 Hz), 7.76 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 7.69 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.6, 2.3 Hz), 7.43 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 8.0, 7.5, 1.7 Hz), 7.30 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 8.0, 7.5, 1.2 Hz), 5.14 (s, 1H), 4.44 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.9 Hz), 3.68 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.9 Hz), 1.62 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.4, 141.1, 138.3, 135.9, 135.8, 135.5, 134.1 (q, *J* = 33.4 Hz), 131.3, 127.9, 122.1 (q, *J* = 271.8 Hz), 122.0, 121.5, 117.4 (q, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 115.5, 105.0, 74.5, 59.3, 27.7. FAB-MS *m/z* 491 (M+H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₄BrF₃N₂O₄S: C, 44.01; H, 2.87; N, 5.70. Found: C, 44.07; H, 2.97; N, 5.73. Purity: 99.8% (HPLC area %).

(*R*)-3-((3-Bromophenyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methylpropanamide (14b)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (143 mg, 0.407 mmol), 3-bromothiophenol (56.0 μL, 0.543 mmol), 60% NaH (21.4 mg, 0.892 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (301 mg, 1.22 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (141 mg, 71%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.06 (s, 1H), 7.97-7.96 (m, 2H), 7.82-7.73 (m, 4H), 7.41 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.0, 8.0 Hz), 5.03 (s, 1H), 4.02 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.3 Hz), 3.50 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.3 Hz), 1.61 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.4, 141.0, 140.8, 137.7, 136.0, 134.3 (q, *J* = 32.8 Hz), 131.2, 131.0, 126.7, 123.5, 122.2 (q, *J* = 273.5 Hz), 122.0, 117.5 (q, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 115.5, 105.3, 74.5, 61.5, 28.0. FAB-MS *m/z* 491 (M+H)⁺. HRMS (ESI-TOF) *m/z* (M-H)⁻ calcd. for 490.9707; Found 490.9716. Purity: 97.1% (HPLC area %).

(*R*)-3-((4-Bromophenyl)sulfonyl)-*N*-(4-cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methylpropanamide (14c)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (143 mg, 0.407 mmol), 4-bromothiophenol (103 mg, 0.543 mmol), 60% NaH (21.4 mg, 0.892 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (301 mg, 1.22 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (145 mg, 73%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.03 (s, 1H), 7.94 (d, 1H, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 7.81 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 7.76 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.6, 2.3 Hz), 7.72 (br d, 2H, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 7.62 (br d, 2H, *J* = 8.6 Hz), 5.00 (s, 1H), 4.00 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.6 Hz),

3.47 (d, 1H, $J = 14.3$ Hz), 1.60 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.7, 141.2, 138.1, 135.9, 134.2 (q, $J = 33.4$ Hz), 132.8, 130.1, 129.6, 122.1 (q, $J = 273.0$ Hz), 121.9, 117.33 (q, $J = 4.8$ Hz), 115.5, 105.0, 74.2, 62.0, 27.9. FAB-MS m/z 491 (M+H) $^+$. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{14}\text{BrF}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}$: C, 44.01; H, 2.87; N, 5.70. Found: C, 43.92; H, 2.90; N, 5.67. Purity: 99.7% (HPLC area %).

(R)-N-(4-Cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2-hydroxy-3-((2-methoxyphenyl)sulfonyl)-2-methylpropanamide (15a)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (97 mg, 0.276 mmol), 2-methoxythiophenol (45.2 μL , 0.368 mmol), 60% NaH (15 mg, 0.604 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (204 mg, 0.828 mmol) and CH_2Cl_2 (3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (39.9 mg, 33%).

^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.05 (s, 1H), 7.85 (d, 1H, $J = 1.7$ Hz), 7.74 (dd, 1H, $J = 8.0, 1.7$ Hz), 7.72 (d, 1H, $J = 8.6$ Hz), 7.57 (dd, 1H, $J = 8.6, 2.3$ Hz), 7.49 (ddd, 1H, $J = 8.0, 8.0, 1.7$ Hz), 7.04 (d, 1H, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 6.81 (dd, 1H, $J = 8.0, 7.5$ Hz), 5.40 (s, 1H), 4.41 (d, 1H, $J = 14.6$ Hz), 4.06 (s, 3H), 3.54 (d, 1H, $J = 14.6$ Hz), 1.56 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.7, 158.1, 141.1, 136.6, 135.7, 133.9 (q, $J = 32.8$ Hz), 129.7, 126.2, 122.2 (q, $J = 274.3$ Hz), 121.9, 120.5, 117.4 (q, $J = 4.8$ Hz), 115.6, 112.8, 104.8, 74.2, 59.3, 56.7, 27.9. FAB-MS m/z 443 (M+H) $^+$. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{S}$: C, 51.58; H, 3.87; N, 6.33. Found: C, 51.84; H, 3.99; N, 6.43. Purity: 99.5% (HPLC area %).

(R)-N-(4-Cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2-hydroxy-3-((3-methoxyphenyl)sulfonyl)-2-methylpropanamide (15b)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (97.0 mg, 0.276 mmol), 3-methoxythiophenol (45.2 μL , 0.368 mmol), 60% NaH (15.0 mg, 0.604 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (204 mg, 0.828 mmol) and CH_2Cl_2 (3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (54.9 mg, 45%).

^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 9.22 (s, 1H), 8.02 (d, 1H, $J = 1.7$ Hz), 7.80 (dd, 1H, $J = 8.0, 1.7$ Hz), 7.76 (d, 1H, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.45 (d, 1H, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 7.40 (dd, 1H, $J = 8.0, 7.5$ Hz), 7.34 (dd, 1H, $J = 2.0$ Hz), 7.14-7.11 (m, 1H), 5.15 (s, 1H), 4.03 (d, 1H, $J = 14.3$ Hz), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.52 (d, 1H, $J = 14.3$ Hz), 1.61 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.8, 160.2, 141.4, 140.1, 135.8, 134.0 (q, $J = 32.8$ Hz), 130.7, 122.2 (q, $J = 274.3$ Hz), 122.1, 120.6, 120.0, 117.5 (q, $J = 4.8$ Hz), 115.6, 112.8, 104.8, 74.5, 61.7, 55.8, 27.9. FAB-MS

m/z 443 (M+H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₁₇F₃N₂O₅S: C, 51.58; H, 3.87; N, 6.33. Found: C, 51.61; H, 3.95; N, 6.43. Purity: 99.3% (HPLC area %).

(R)-N-(4-Cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2-hydroxy-3-((4-methoxyphenyl)sulfonyl)-2-methylpropanamide (15c)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (97.0 mg, 0.276 mmol), 4-methoxythiophenol (45.2 μ L, 0.368 mmol), 60% NaH (15.0 mg, 0.604 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (204 mg, 0.828 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (75.5 mg, 62%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.07 (s, 1H), 7.98 (d, 1H, J = 2.3 Hz), 7.80-7.76 (m, 3H), 7.72 (dd, 1H, J = 8.6, 2.3 Hz), 6.89 (br d, 2H, 8.6 Hz), 5.30 (s, 1H), 3.97 (d, 1H, J = 14.3 Hz), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.44 (d, 1H, J = 14.3 Hz), 1.59 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.7, 164.5, 141.3, 135.8, 134.1 (q, J = 33.4 Hz), 133.9, 130.4, 130.1, 122.1 (q, J = 273.0 Hz), 121.9, 117.4 (q, J = 4.8 Hz), 115.5, 115.2, 114.7, 104.9, 74.3, 61.5, 55.8, 28.0. FAB-MS m/z 443 (M+H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₁₇F₃N₂O₅S: C, 51.58; H, 3.87; N, 6.33. Found: C, 51.56; H, 3.91; N, 6.36. Purity: 99.5% (HPLC area %).

(R)-N-(4-Cyano-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-2-hydroxy-2-methyl-3-(phenylsulfonyl)propanamide (16)

This compound was prepared from compound **21** (100 mg, 0.285 mmol), thiophenol (38.7 μ L, 0.38 mmol), 60% NaH (15.0 mg, 0.624 mmol), THF (3.5 mL), 70% *m*CPBA (186 mg, 0.754 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (3.5 mL) according to GP-A, and purified by recrystallization using a vapor diffusion method (AcOEt/hexane) to give a white solid (31.2 mg, 27%).

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.09 (s, 1H), 7.95 (d, 1H, J = 2.3 Hz), 7.88-7.86 (m, 2H), 7.79 (d, 1H, J = 8.6 Hz), 7.75 (dd, 1H, J = 8.6, 1.7 Hz), 7.64 (ddd, 1H, J = 7.5, 7.5, 1.2 Hz), 7.52-7.47 (m, 2H), 5.19 (s, 1H), 3.98 (d, 1H, J = 14.9 Hz), 3.50 (d, 1H, J = 14.9 Hz), 1.61 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.5, 141.1, 139.0, 135.8, 134.7, 134.2 (q, J = 33.4 Hz), 129.6, 128.0, 122.1 (q, J = 273.1 Hz), 122.0, 117.5 (q, J = 4.8 Hz), 115.4, 105.1, 74.5, 61.3, 27.8. FAB-MS m/z 413 (M+H)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₁₅F₃N₂O₄S: C, 52.43; H, 3.67; N, 6.79. Found: C, 52.22; H, 3.69; N, 6.97. Purity: 98.9% (HPLC area %).

Physicochemical properties

X-ray crystallography

Crystal data for **1a**: C₇H₄BrN, white needle crystal, monoclinic, $a = 3.8910(2)$ Å, $b = 10.2919(4)$ Å, $c = 16.3686(7)$ Å, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 94.963(2)^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 653.036$ Å³. CCDC 1828335

Crystal data for **1b**: C₇H₄BrN, white needle crystal, monoclinic, $a = 7.5162(4)$ Å, $b = 3.9503(2)$ Å, $c = 22.2292(13)$ Å, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 93.257(3)^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 658.947$ Å³. CCDC 1828336

Crystal data for **1c**: C₇H₄BrN, white needle crystal, monoclinic, $a = 9.4437(1)$ Å, $b = 8.5227(1)$ Å, $c = 4.0482(1)$ Å, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 91.2214(1)^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 325.749$ Å³. CCDC 1828334

Crystal data for **2a**: C₈H₁₀S₂O₄, FW 232.9937, white columnar crystal, orthorhombic, $a = 10.1116(2)$ Å, $b = 12.9234(3)$ Å, $c = 7.4954(1)$ Å, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 90^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 979.471$ Å³. CCDC 1828329

Crystal data for **2b**: C₈H₁₀S₂O₄, FW 232.9937, white plate crystal, monoclinic, $a = 17.8295(5)$ Å, $b = 6.9792(2)$ Å, $c = 7.9202(2)$ Å, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 92.3238(12)^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 984.745$ Å³. CCDC 1828328

Crystal data for **2c**: C₈H₁₀S₂O₄, FW 232.9937, white plate crystal, triclinic, $a = 5.3453(1)$ Å, $b = 6.6576(1)$ Å, $c = 6.9904(1)$ Å, $\alpha = 86.1628(1)^\circ$, $\beta = 88.9324(1)^\circ$, $\gamma = 82.6823(1)^\circ$, $V = 246.174$ Å³. CCDC 1828330

Crystal data for **3a**: C₇H₉NSO₂, FW 170.027, white crystal, tetragonal, $a = 18.5210(4)$ Å, $b = 18.5210(4)$ Å, $c = 9.0228(2)$ Å, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 90^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 3095.07$ Å³. CCDC 1828325

Crystal data for **3b**: C₇H₉NSO₂, FW 170.027, white crystal, monoclinic, $a = 6.9213(2)$ Å, $b = 14.3941(4)$ Å, $c = 15.9579(5)$ Å, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 90.6969(14)^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 1589.7$ Å³. CCDC 1828327

Crystal data for **3c**: C₇H₉NSO₂, FW 170.027, white crystal, monoclinic, $a = 6.6299(2)$ Å, $b = 16.2473(4)$ Å, $c = 7.5792(2)$ Å, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 91.6792(11)^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 816.065$ Å³. CCDC 1828326

Crystal data for **4a**: C₆H₆N₂, FW 109.76, colorless plate crystal, monoclinic, $a = 10.1687(11)$ Å, $b = 7.4132(13)$ Å, $c = 7.6623(15)$ Å, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 100.344(5)^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 568.217$ Å³. CCDC 1828331

Crystal data for **4b**: C₆H₆N₂, FW 109.76, white needle crystal, monoclinic, $a = 8.0887(1)$ Å, $b = 11.9923(2)$ Å, $c = 23.8075(4)$ Å, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 90.9951(6)^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 23.8075(4)$ Å³. CCDC 1828332

Crystal data for **4c**: C₆H₆N₂, FW 109.76, pale pink plate crystal, monoclinic $a = 8.3017(2)$ Å, $b = 5.8957(1)$ Å, $c = 22.7478(5)$ Å, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 93.5648(10)^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, $V = 1111.22$ Å³. CCDC 1828333

CCDC 1828325-1828336 contain the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data are provided free of charge by The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre.

Crystal density and packing coefficient were derived from X-ray crystallographic analysis.

Physicochemical properties

Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC)

Entropy and enthalpy of melting were recorded on Shimadzu DSC-60. DSC runs were performed within the temperature range of (melting point - 50 °C) to (melting point + 50 °C) at a heating rate of 5 °C/ min.

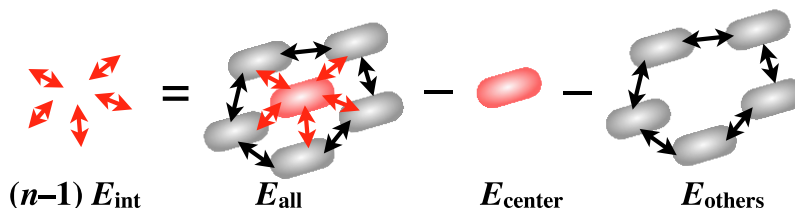
Computational details

Density functional calculations were performed using the Gaussian09 program package.⁵ M06-2X density functional⁶ and 6-31G* basis sets⁷⁻⁹ were used for all calculations. IR spectra and dipole moments of disubstituted benzenes were calculated for their optimized structures.

Intermolecular interaction energy (E_{int}): Intermolecular interaction energy (E_{int}) of a molecule in a crystal was estimated according to equation 1:

$$E_{int} = \frac{1}{n-1}(E_{all} - E_{center} - E_{others}) \quad (1)$$

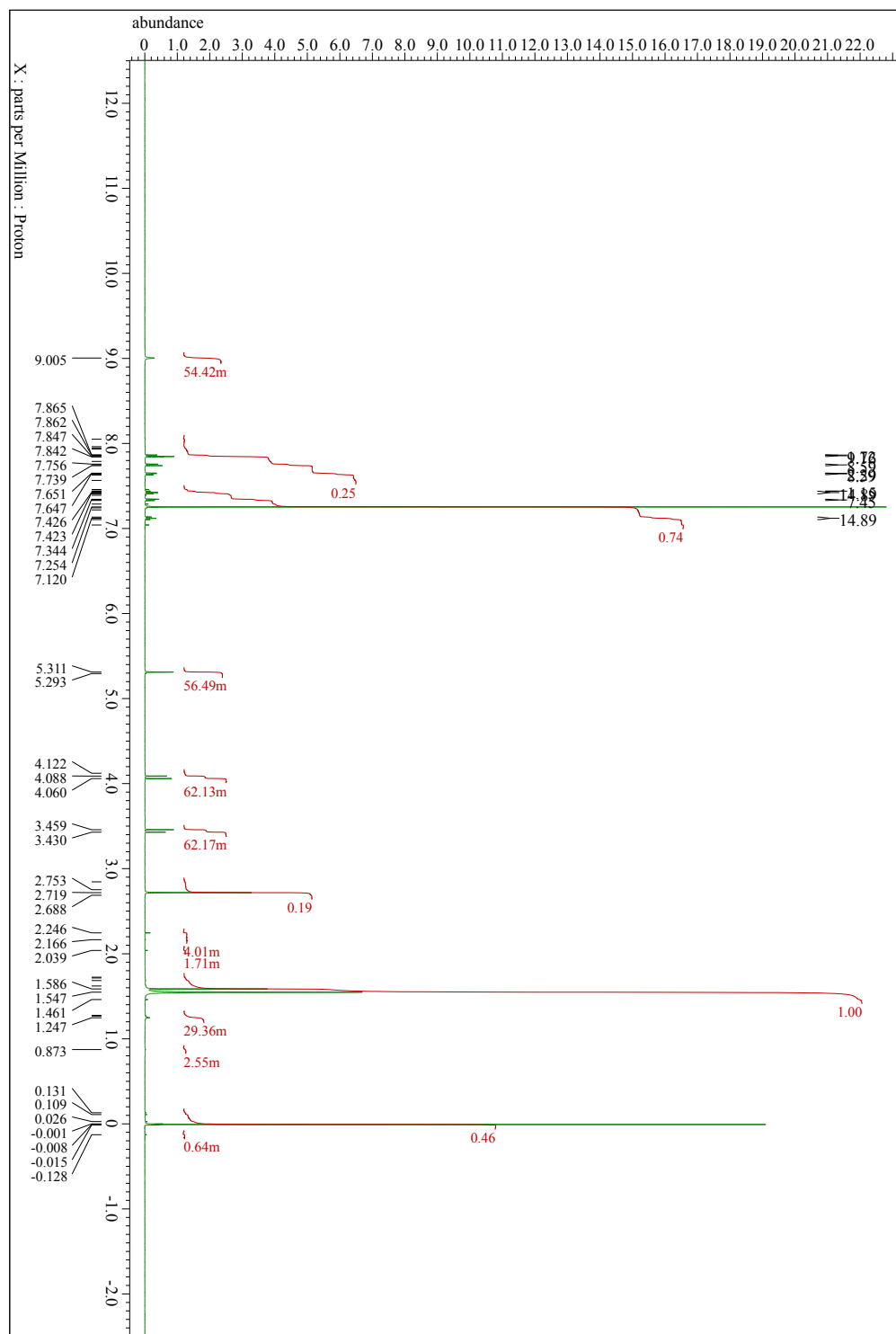
where n is the number of molecules considered, E_{all} is the energy of a central molecule and non-central molecules whose distance from the central molecule is less than 5 Å in the crystal, E_{center} is the energy of the central molecule, and E_{others} is the energy of the non-central molecules (Supplementary Fig. 2). Counterpoise corrections^{10,11} were used for calculating E_{all} , E_{center} , and E_{others} . Molecular geometries were taken from the X-ray crystal structures.



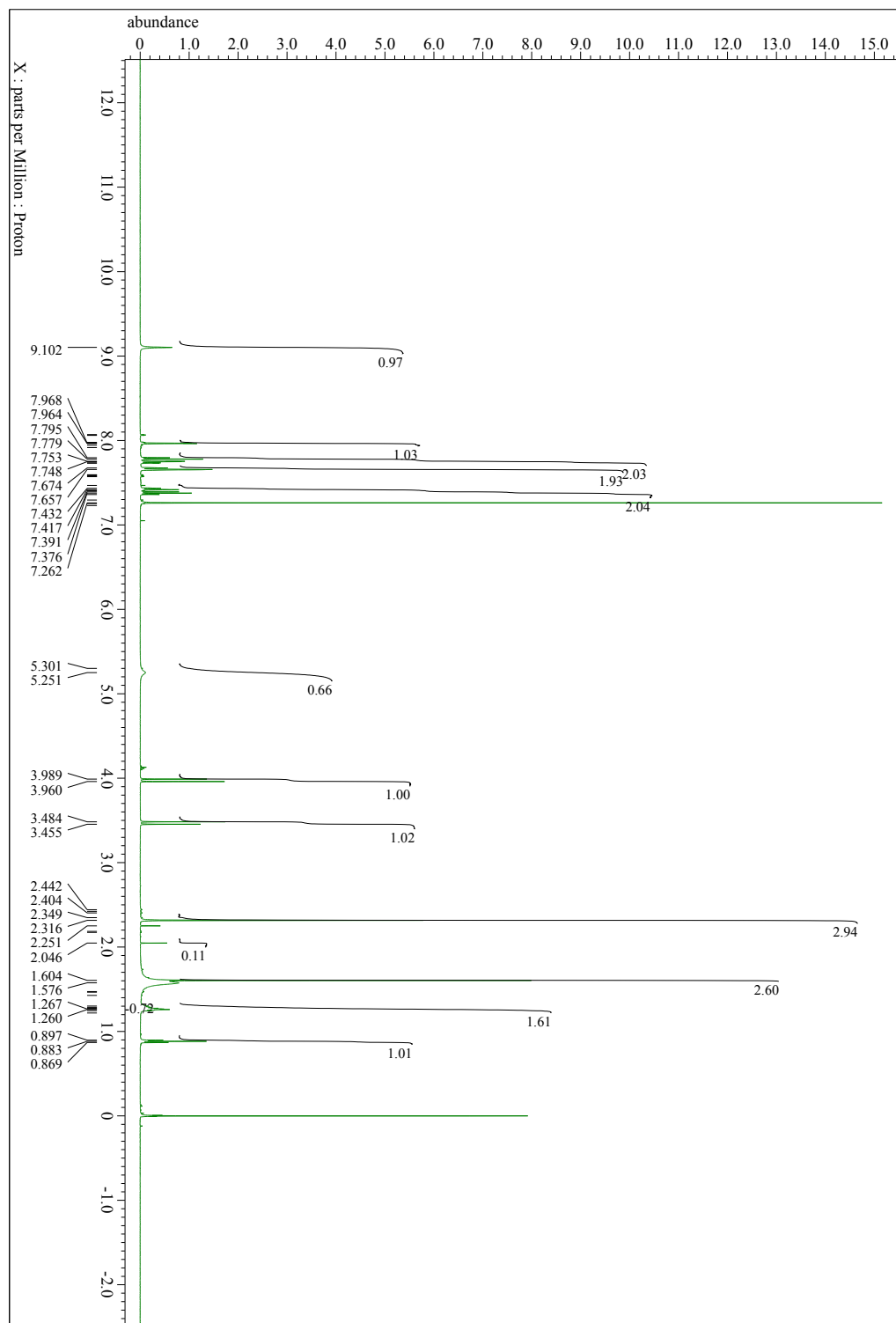
Supplementary Figure 2. Schematic illustration of intermolecular interaction energy (E_{int}) of a molecule in a crystal. The arrows indicate interactions between two neighboring molecules.

¹H NMR spectra

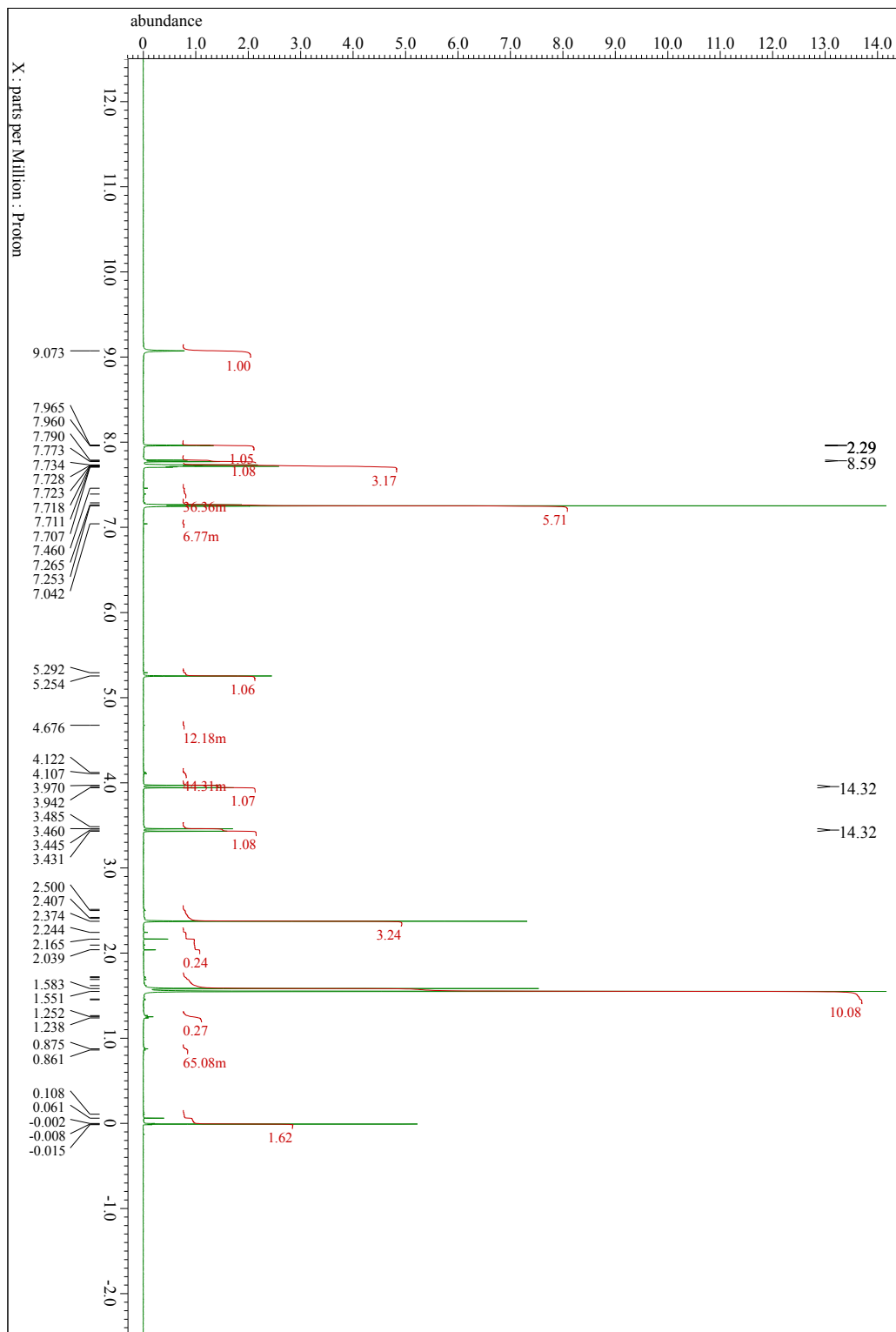
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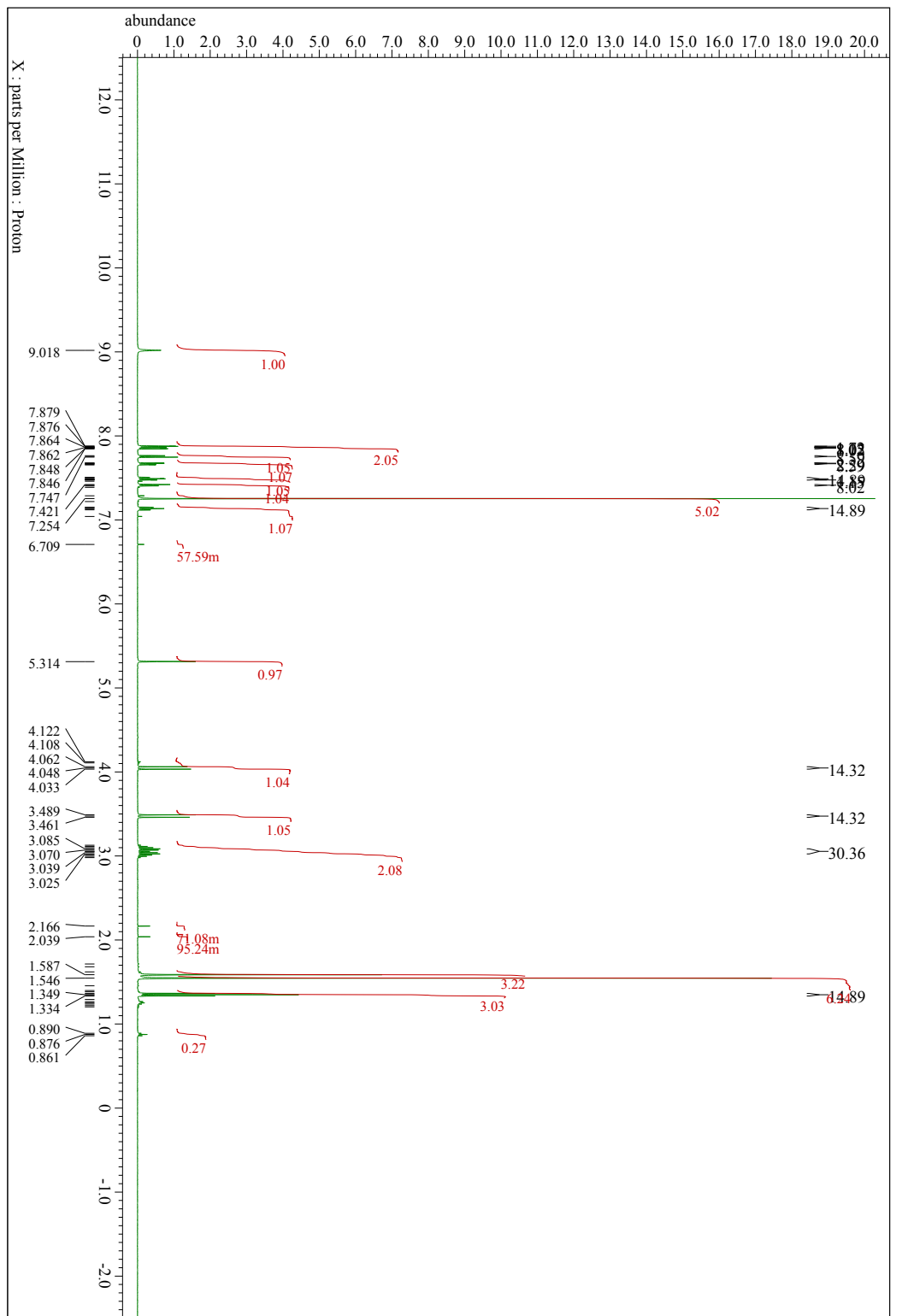
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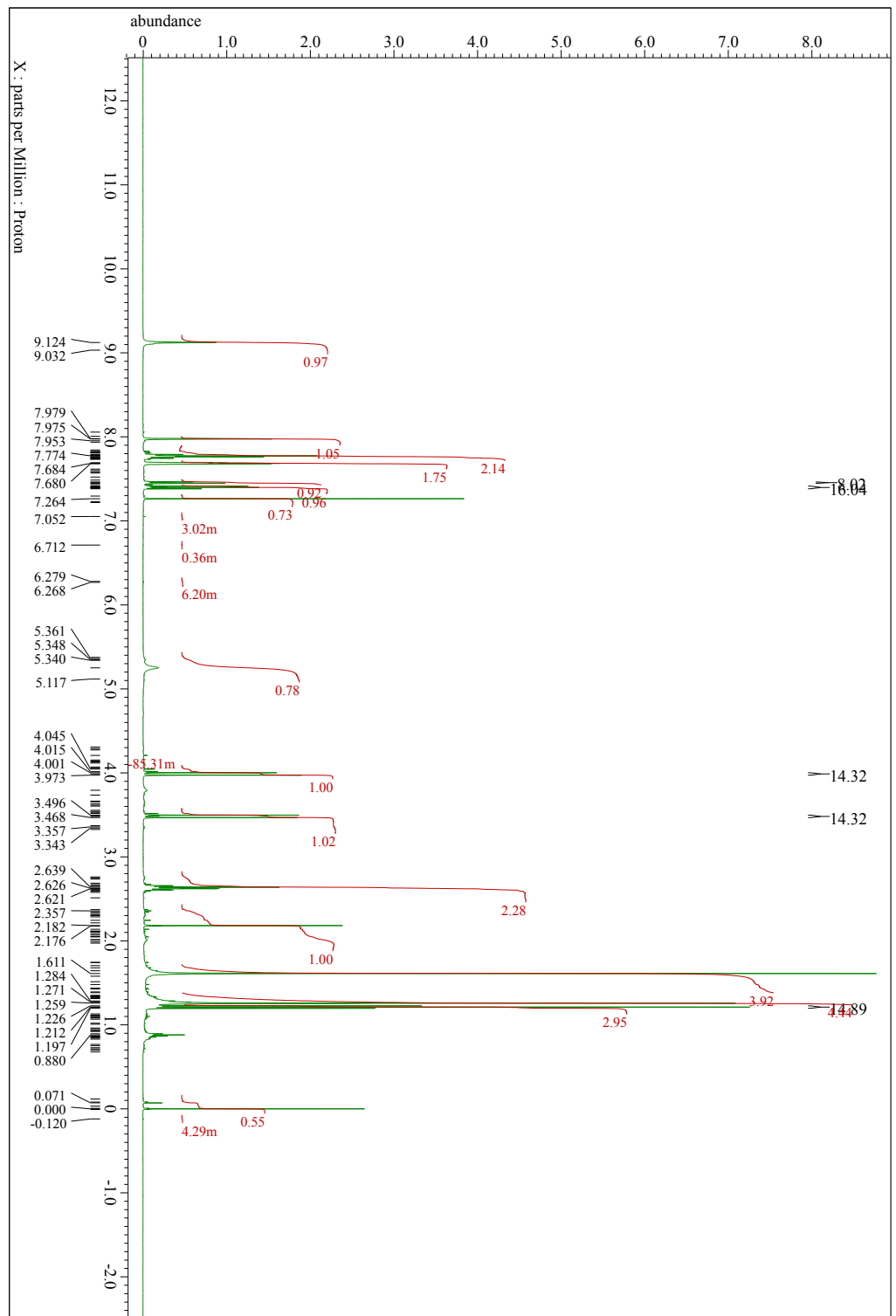
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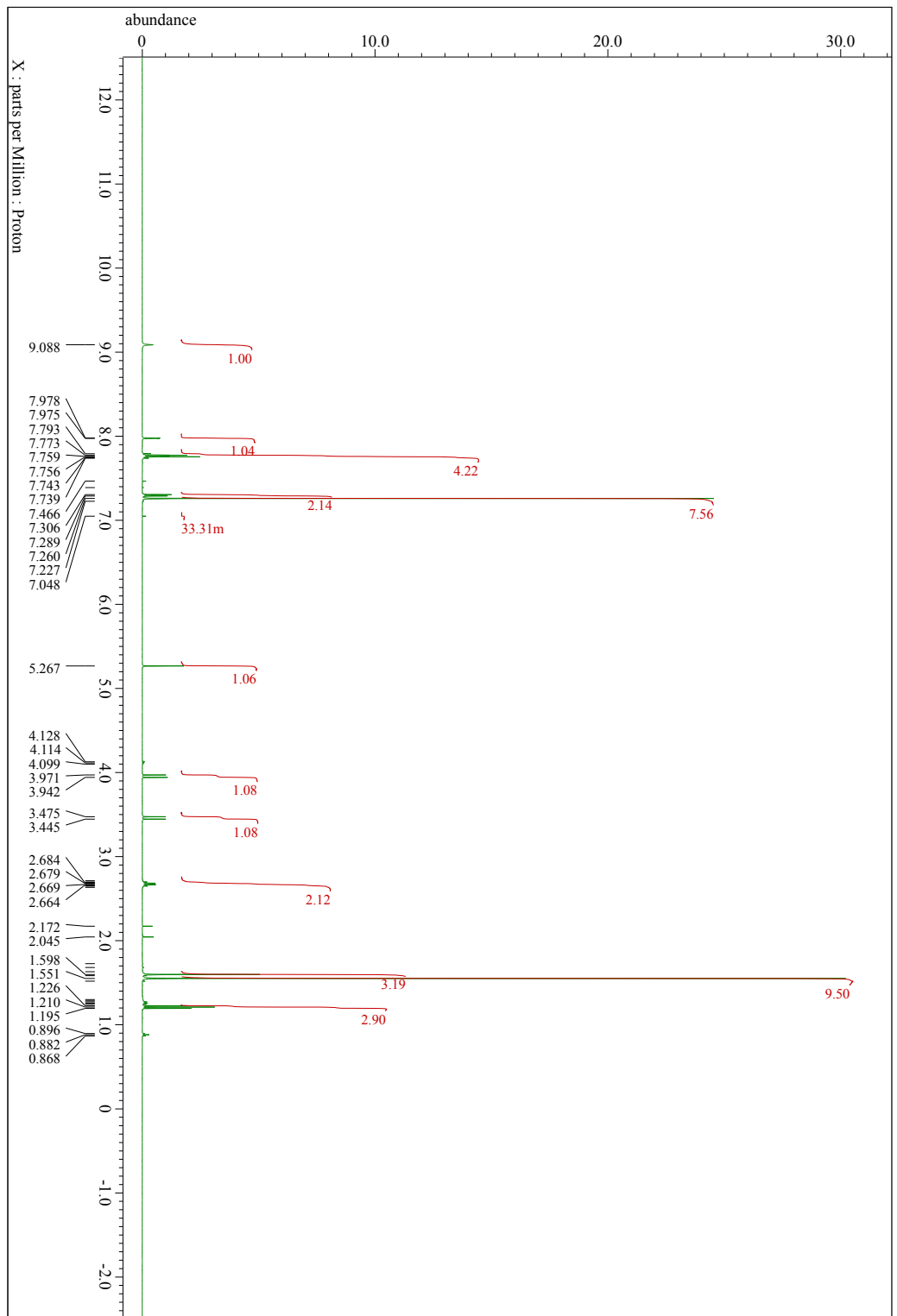
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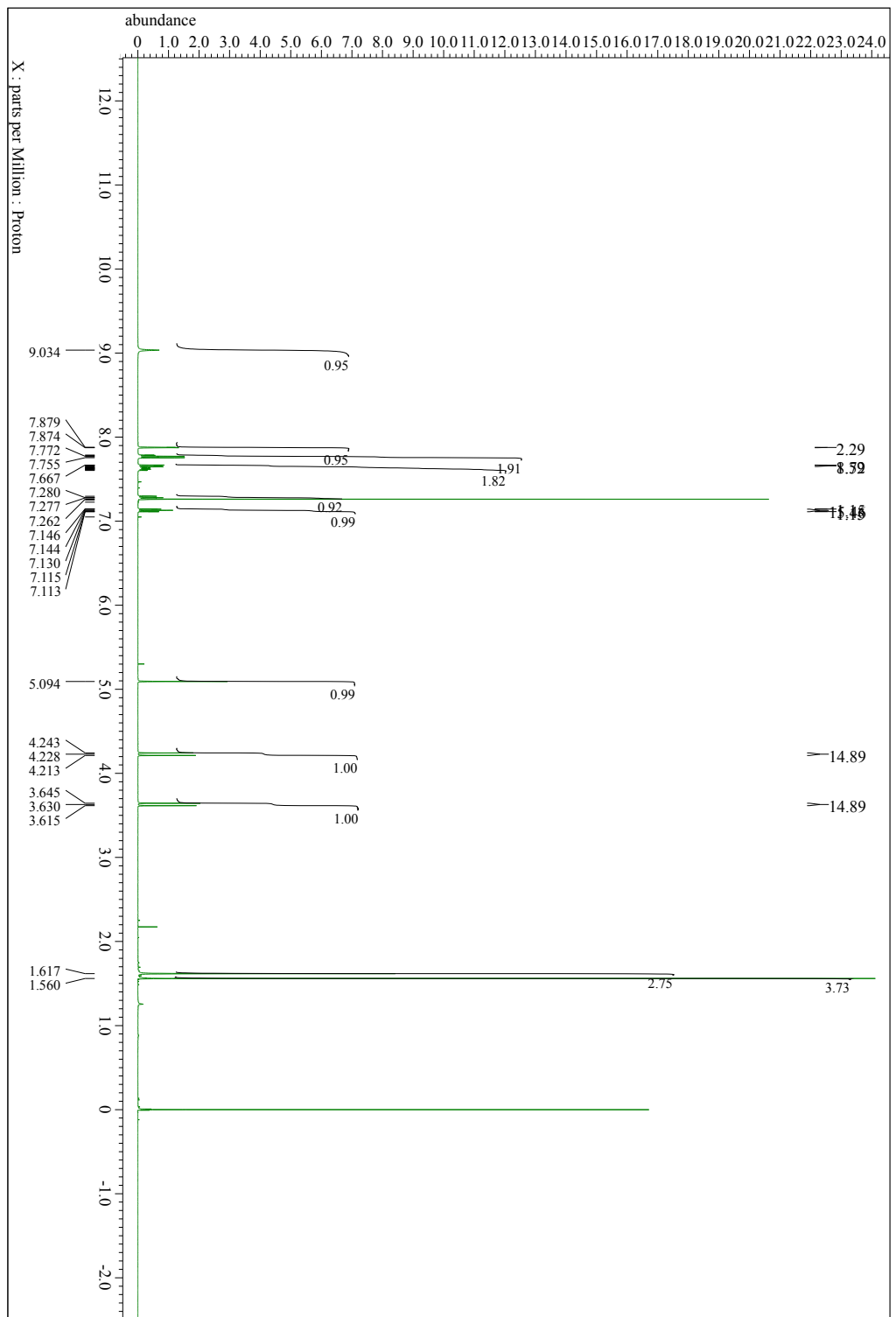
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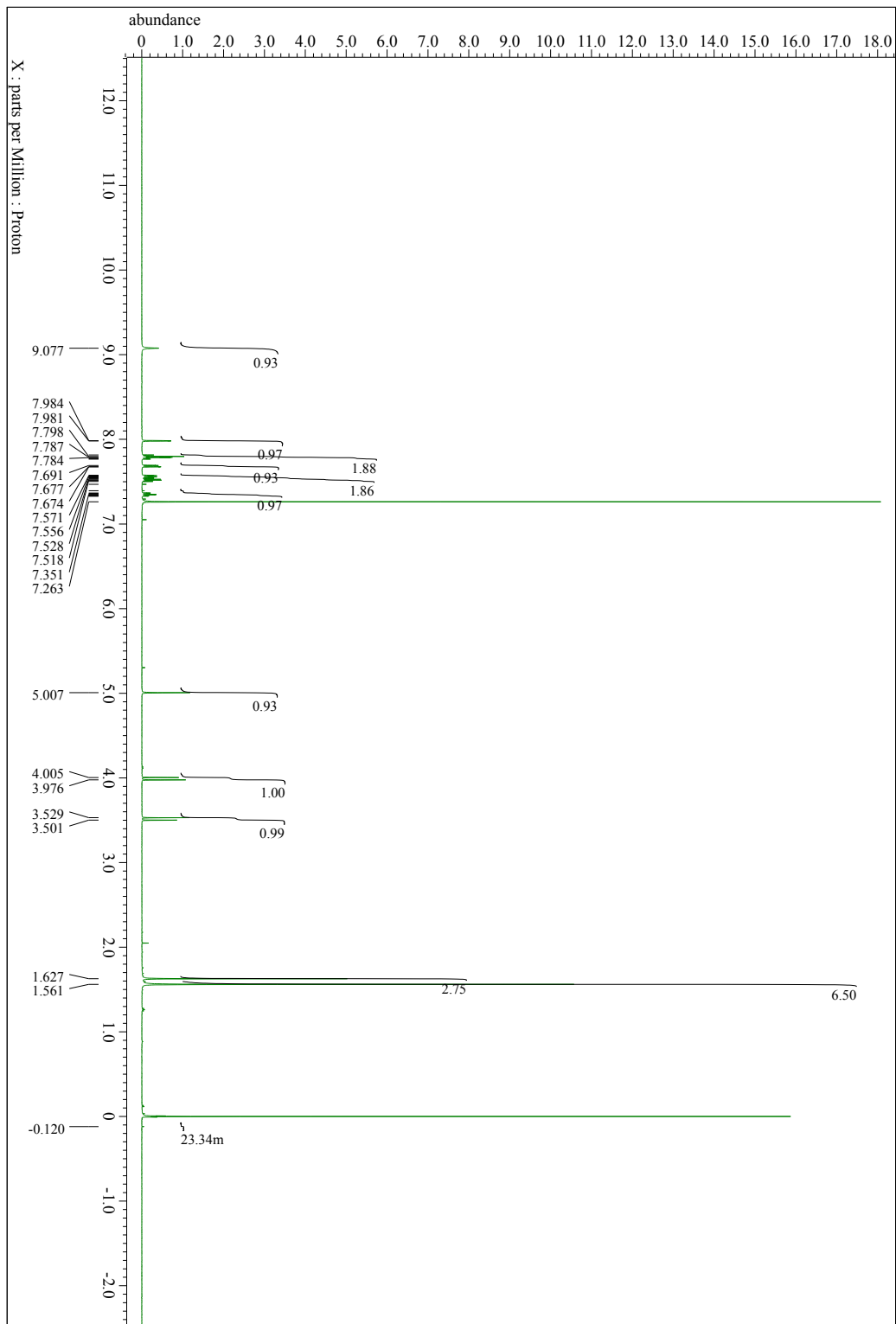
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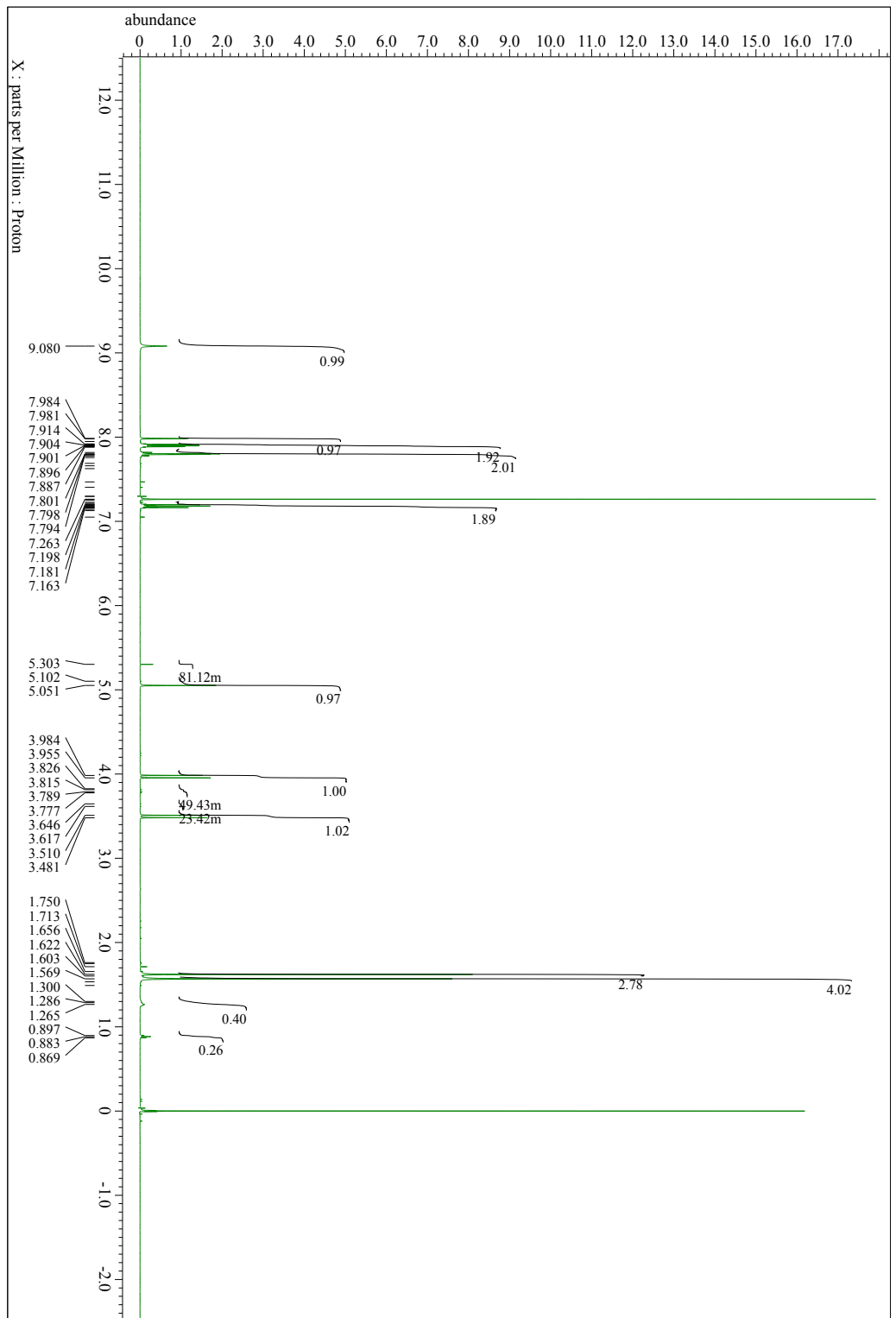
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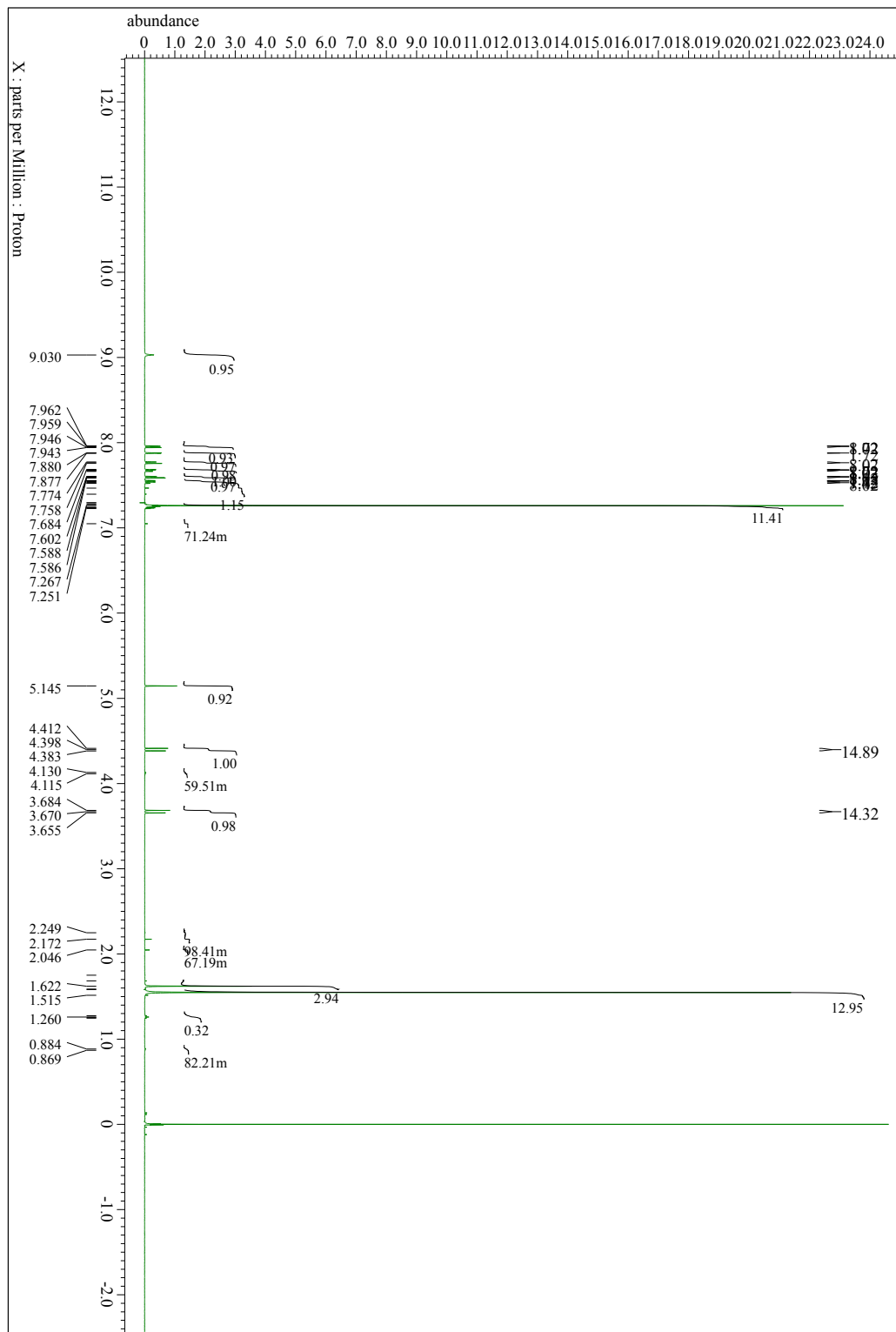
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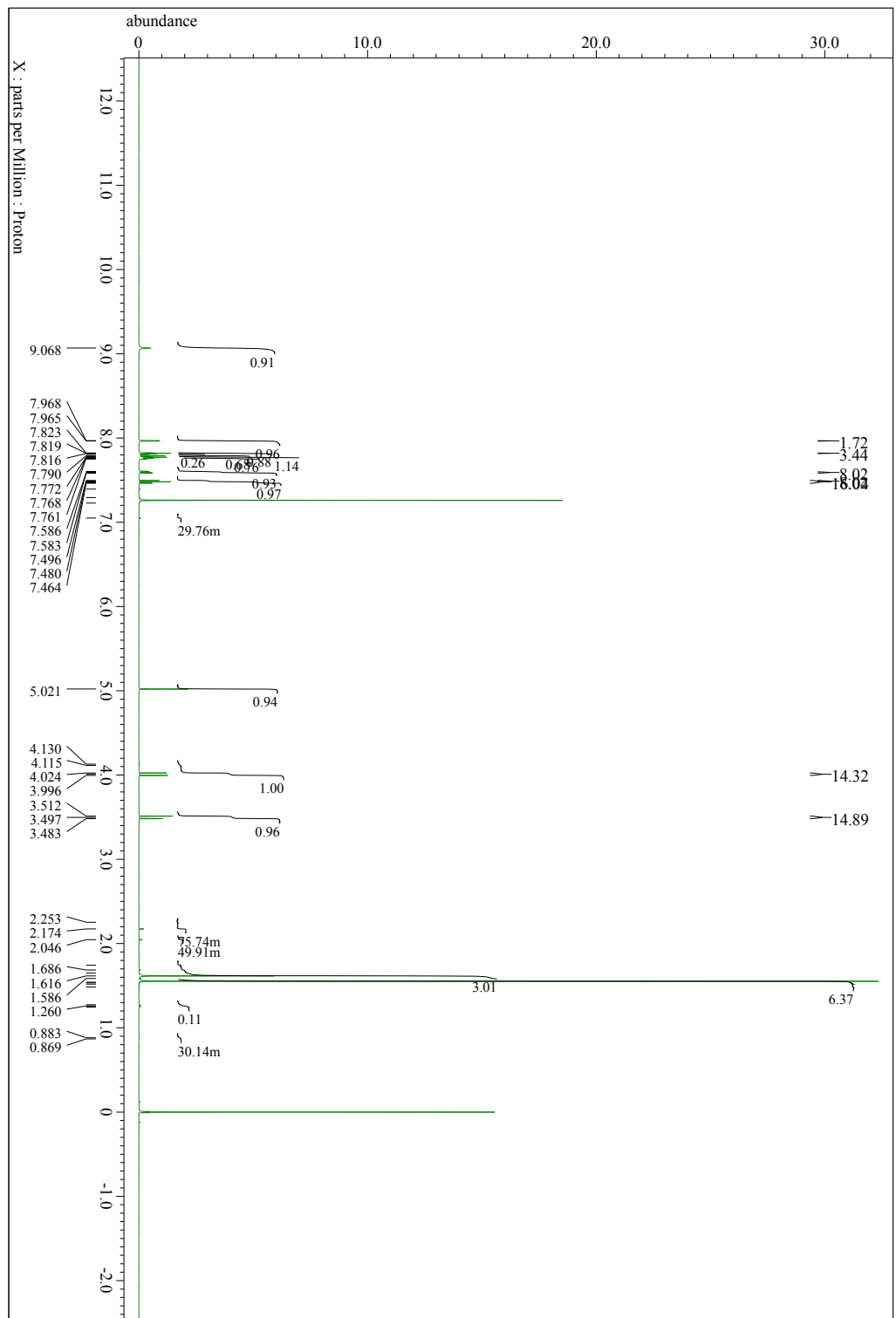
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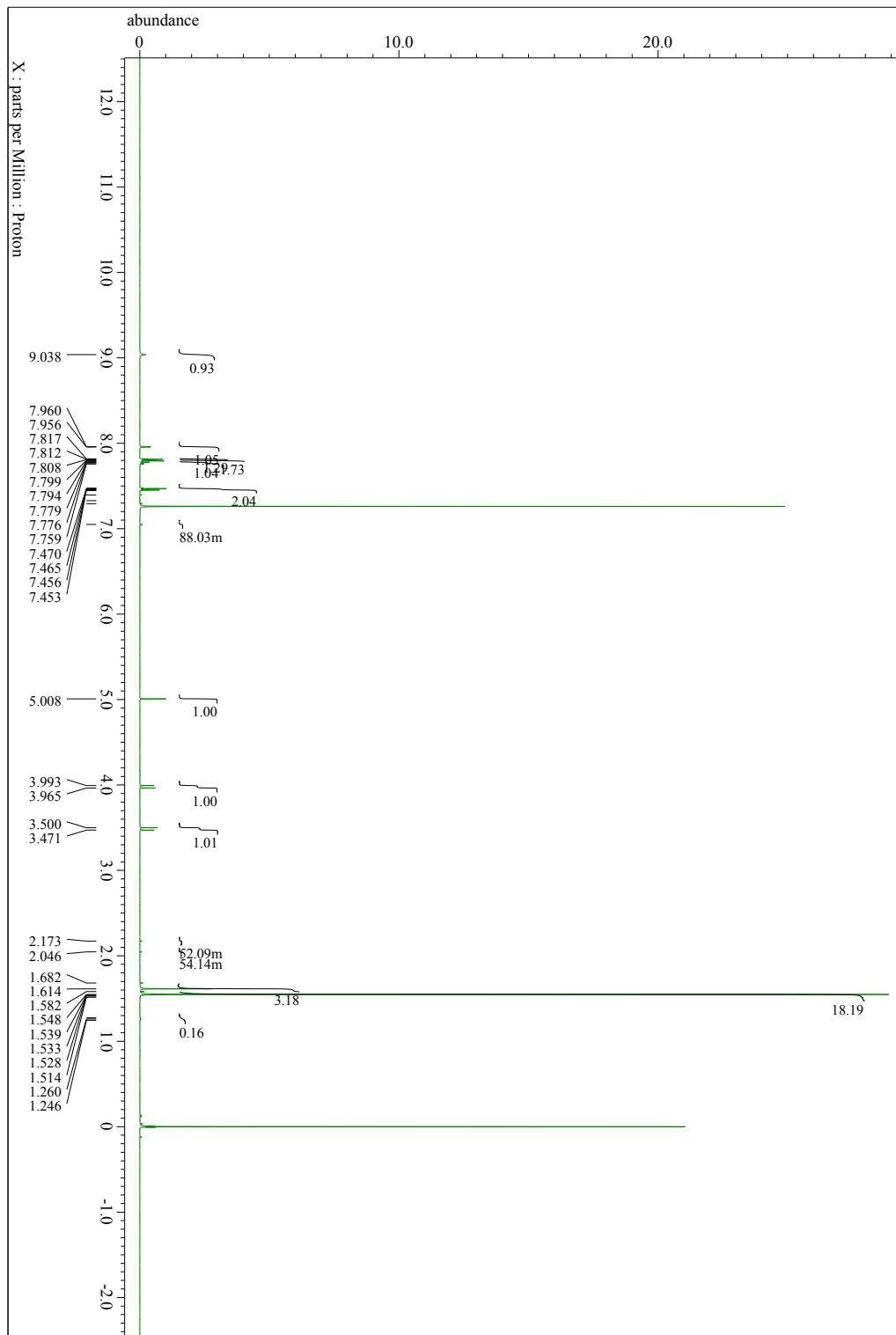
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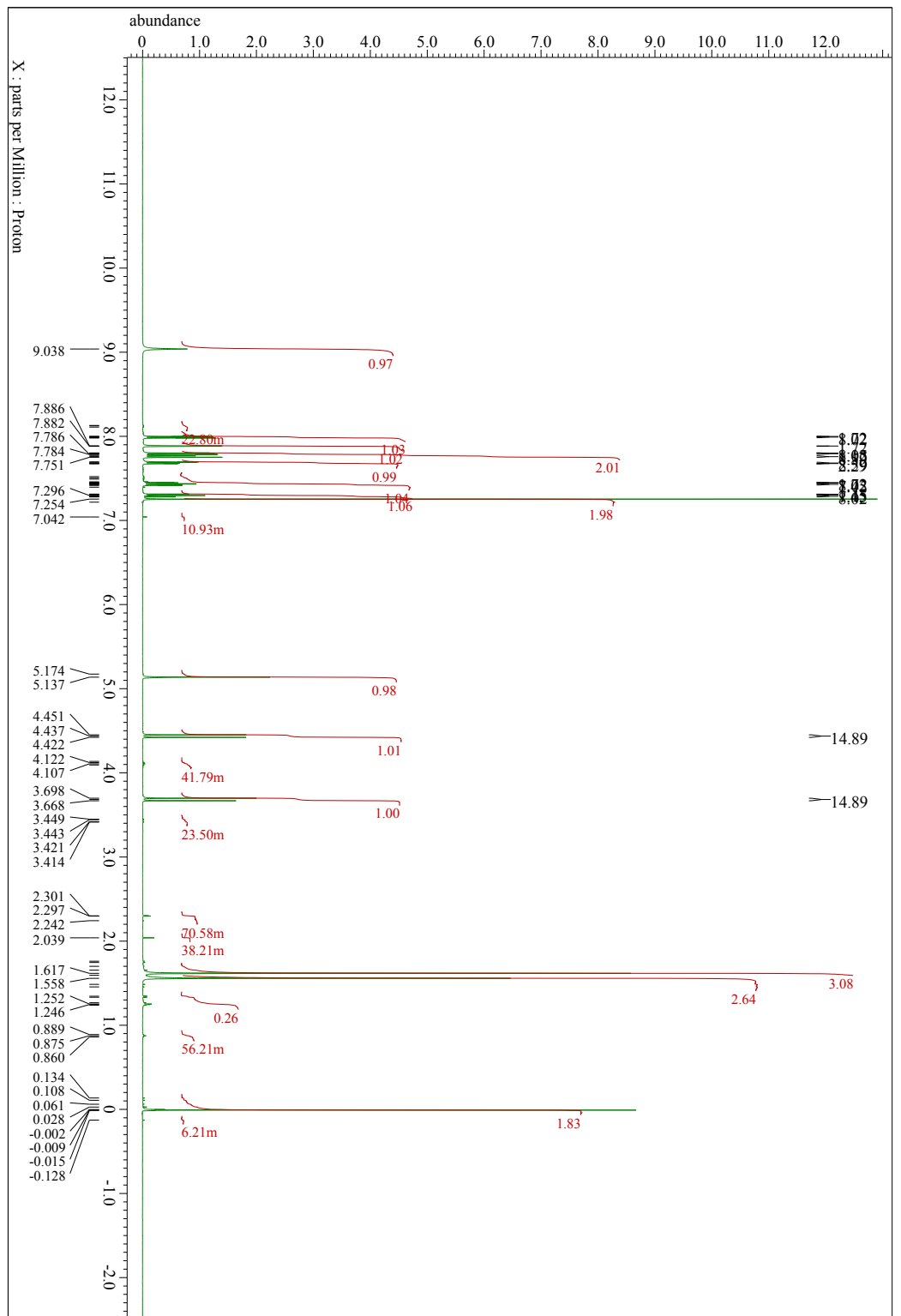
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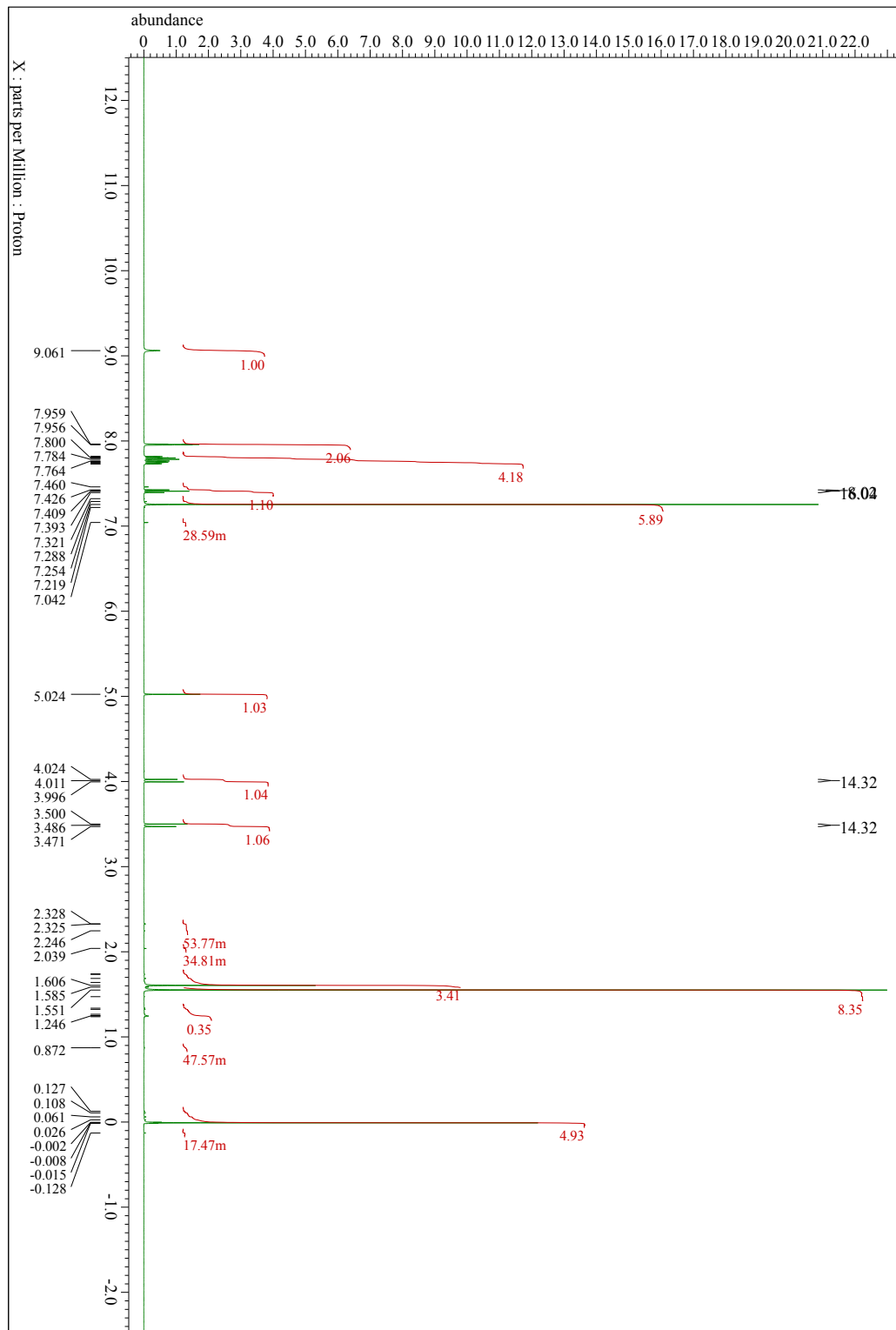
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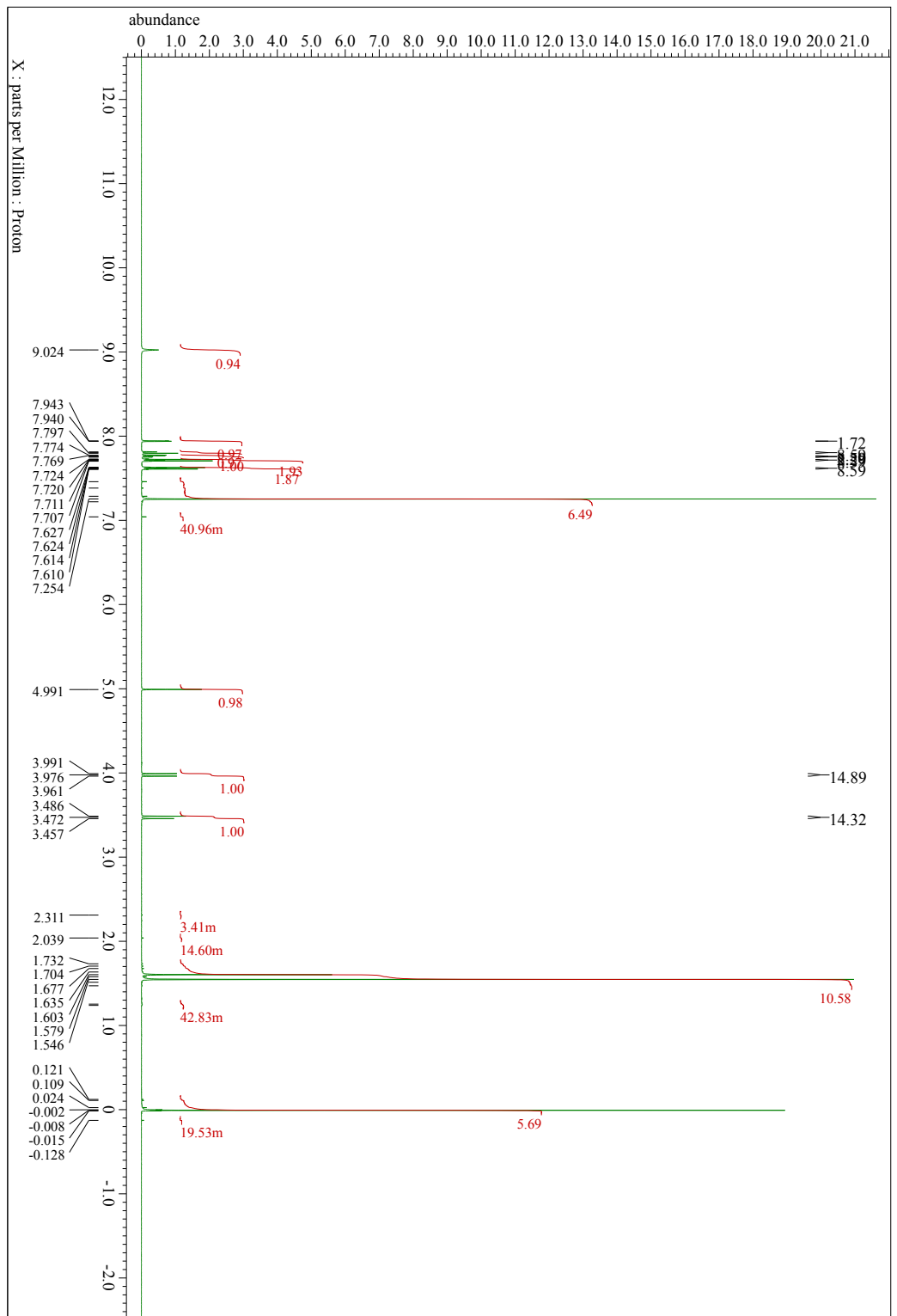
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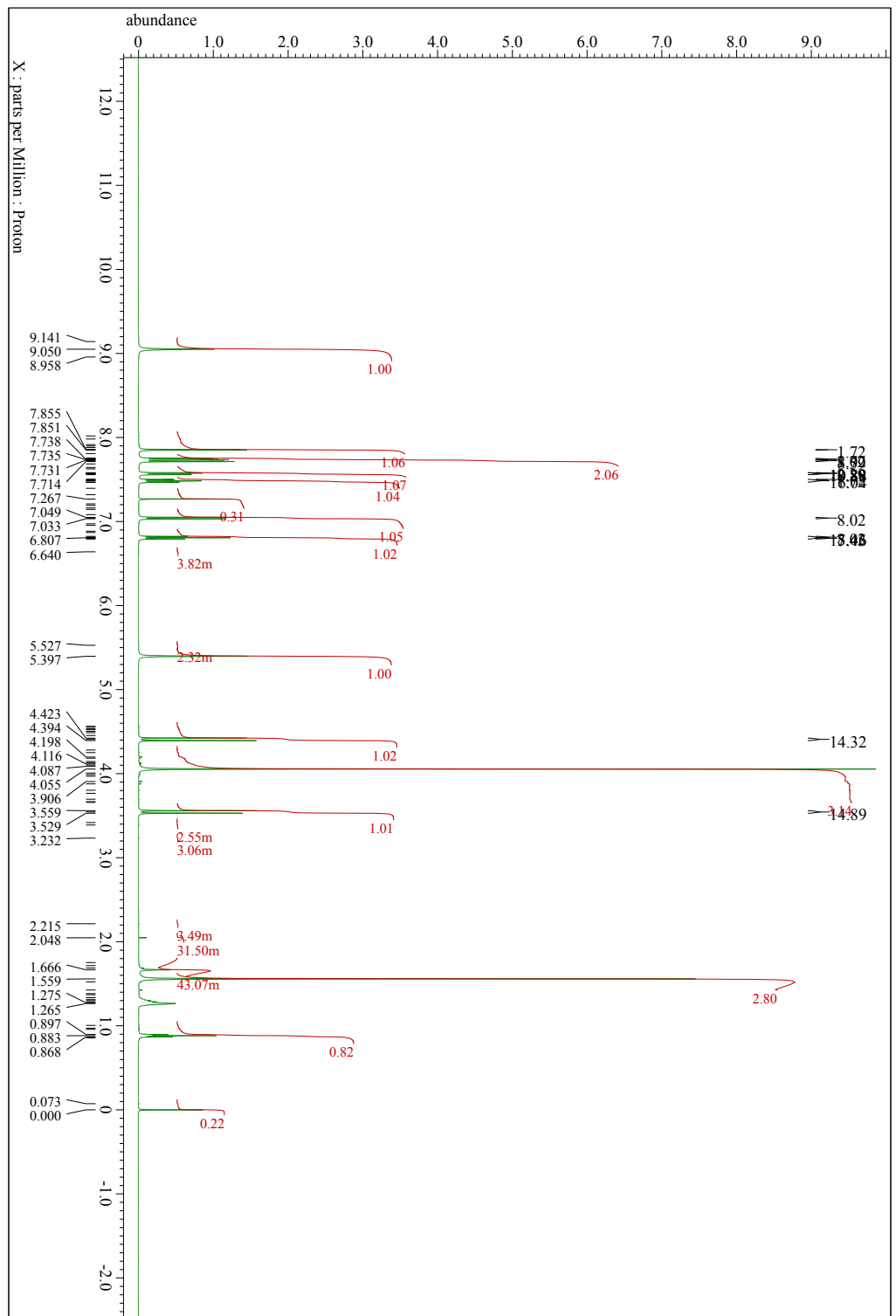
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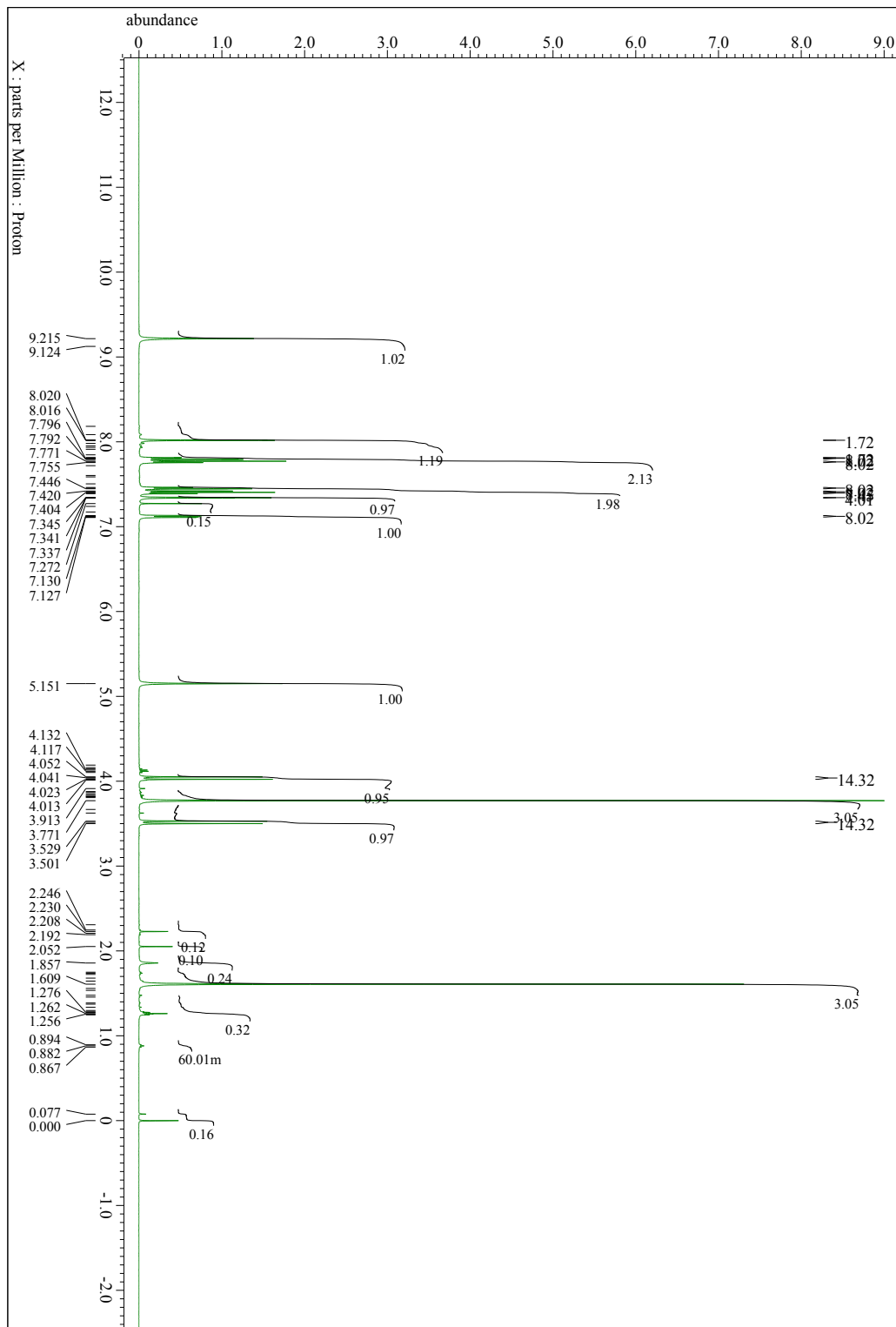
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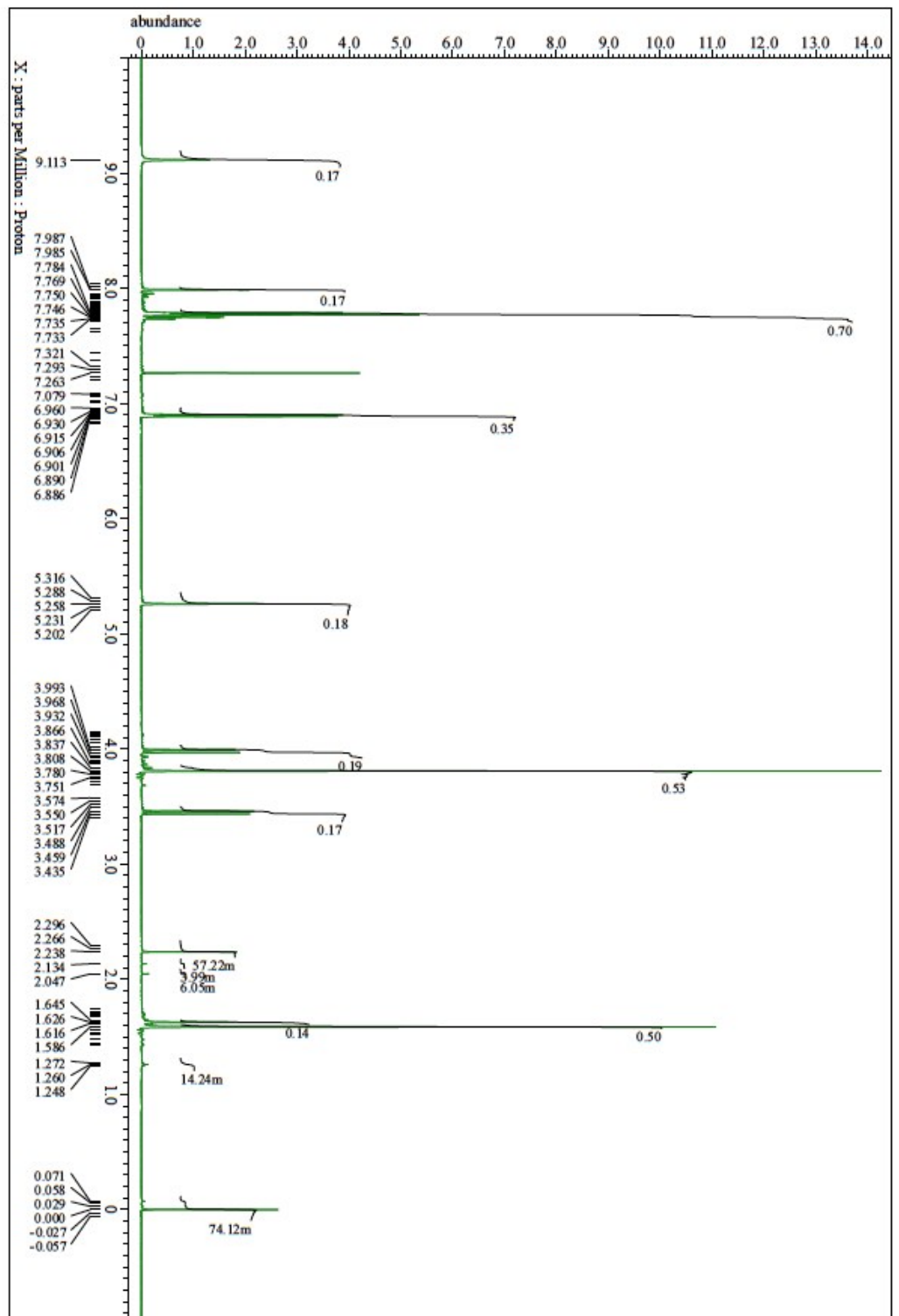
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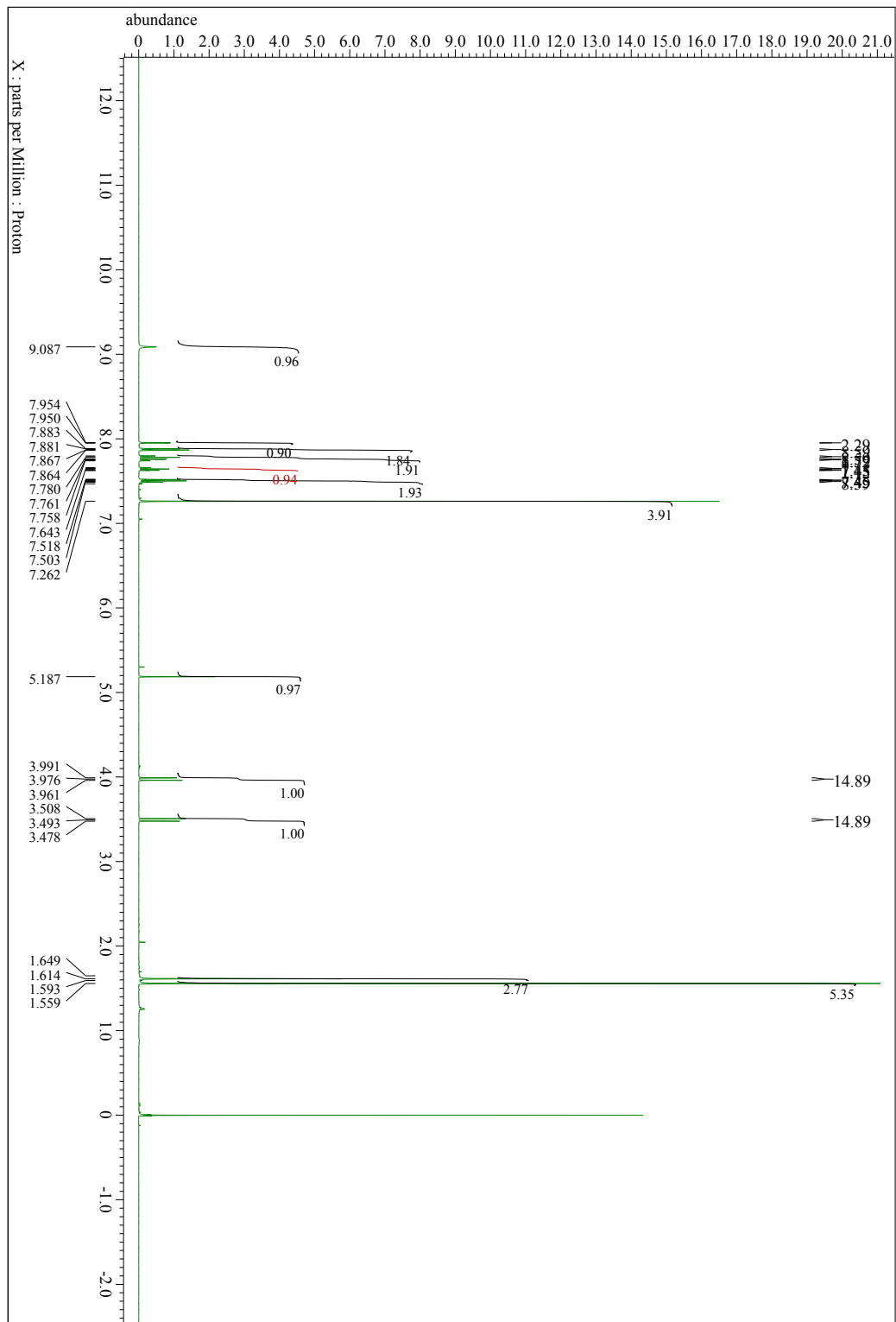


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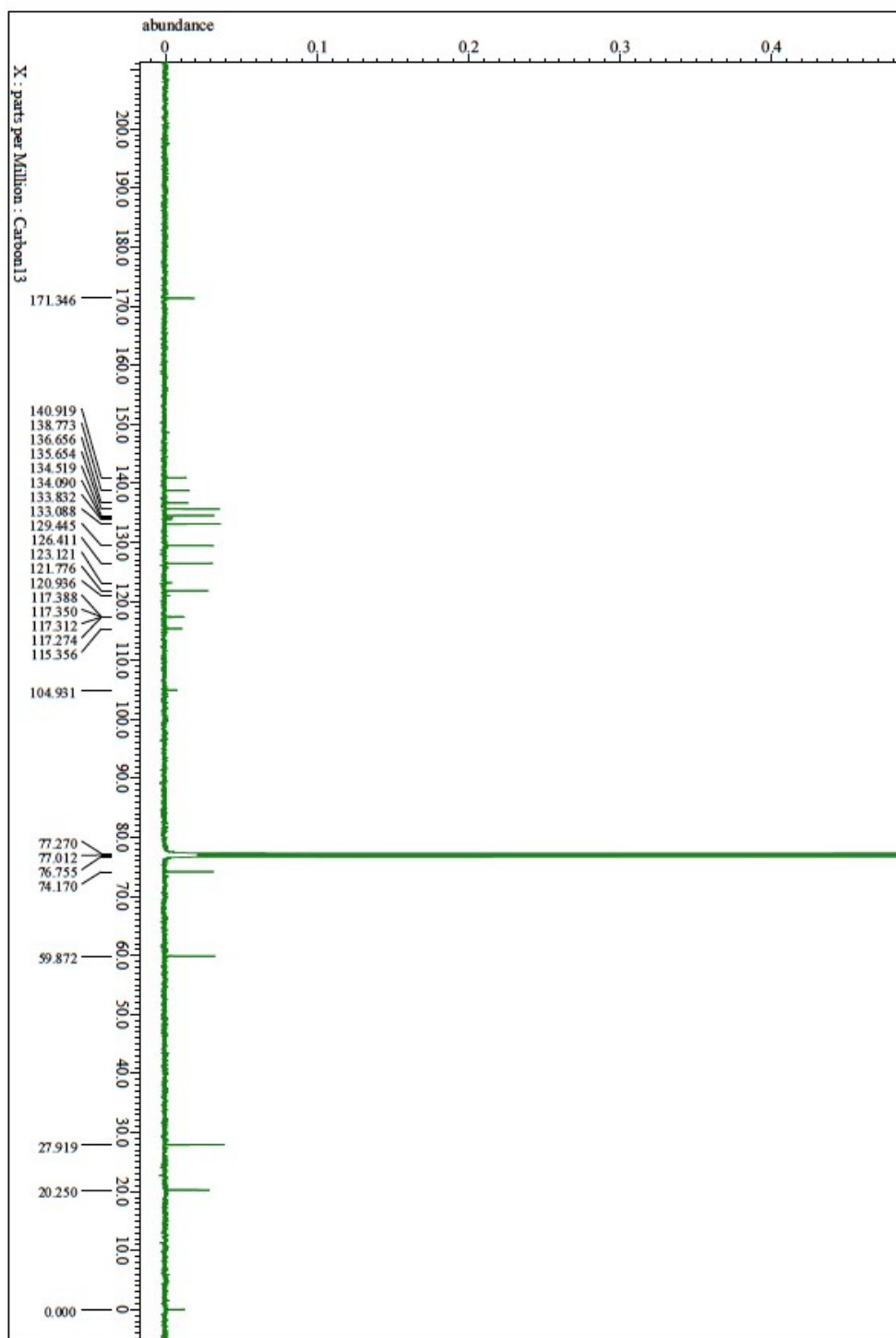
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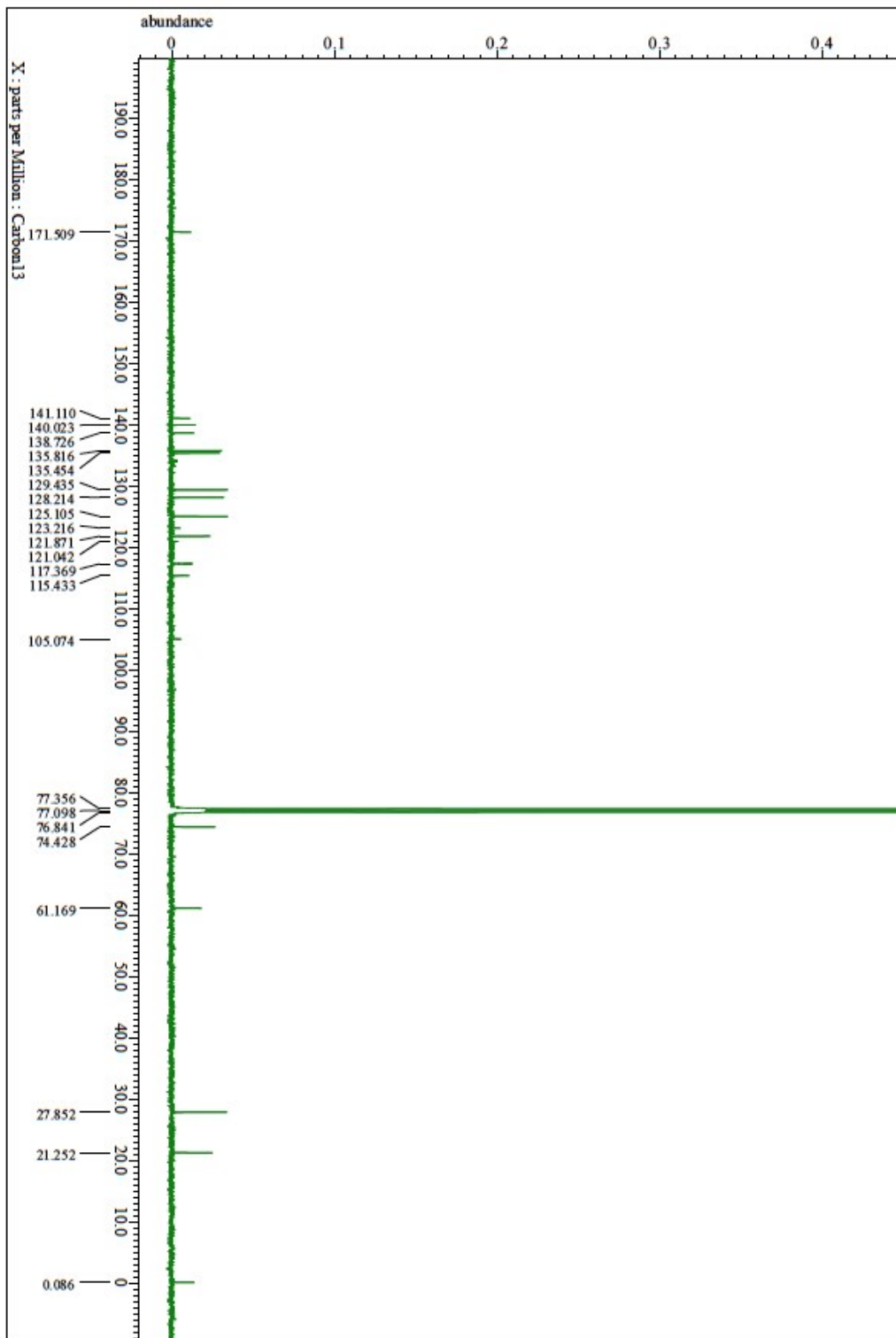


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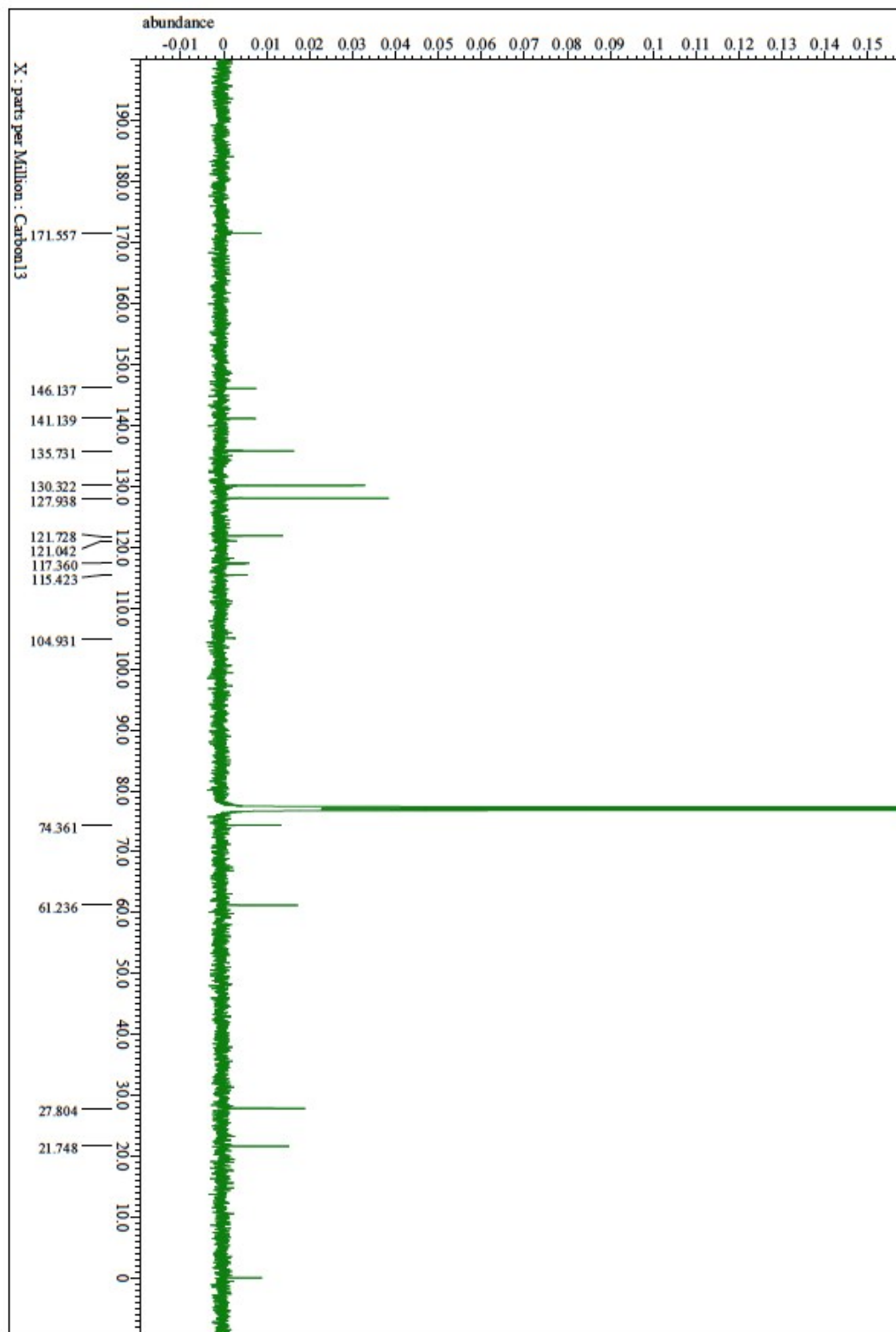
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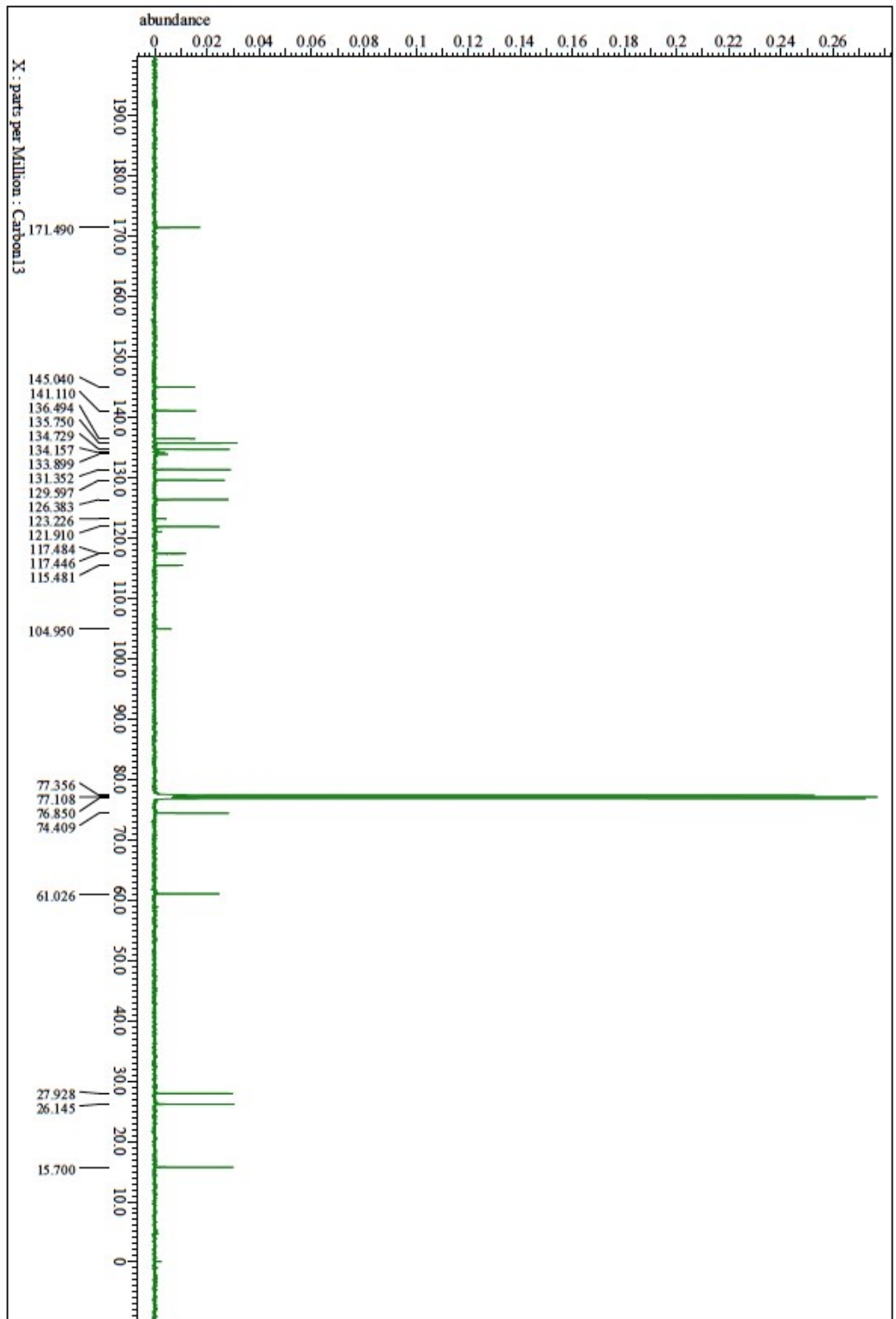
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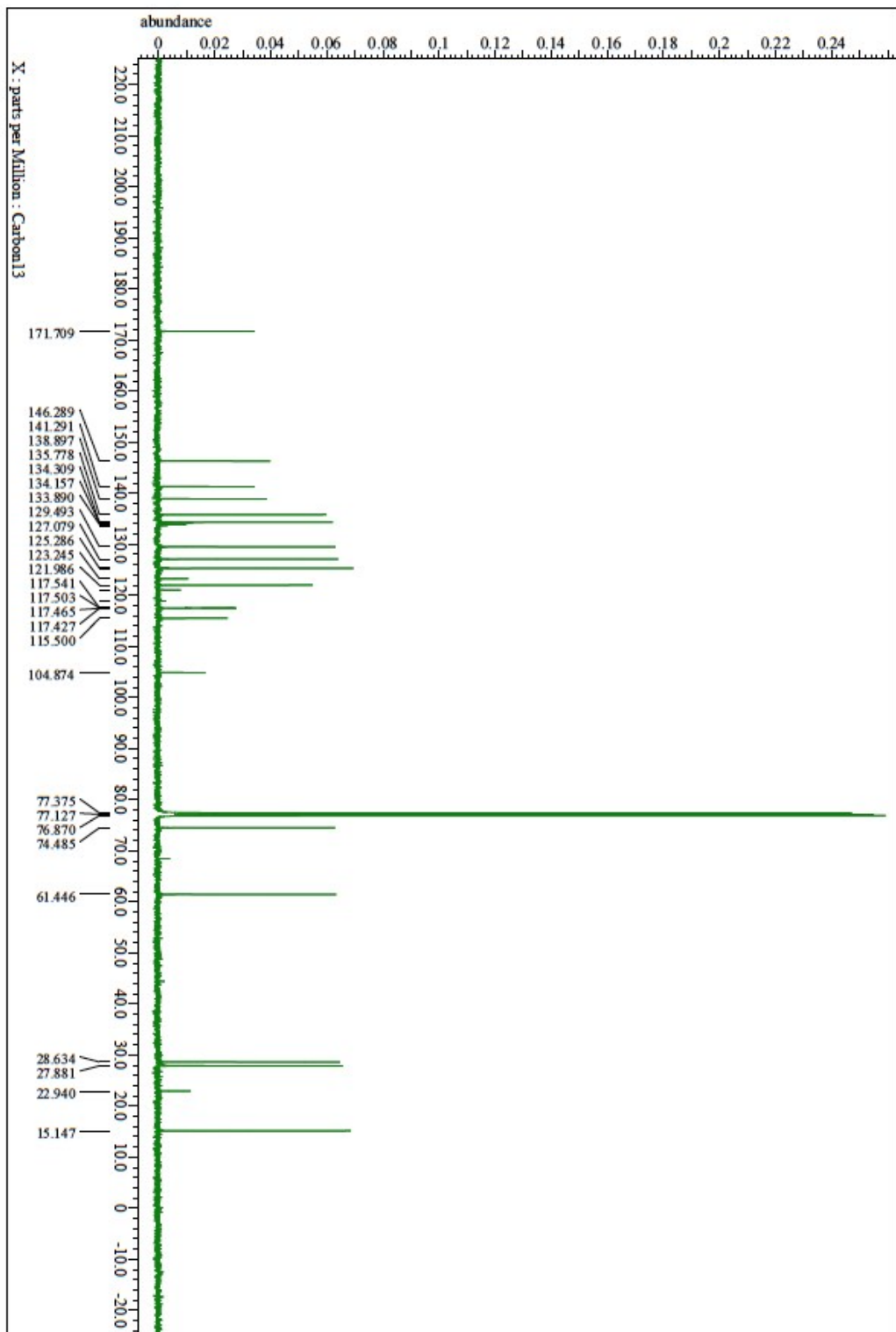
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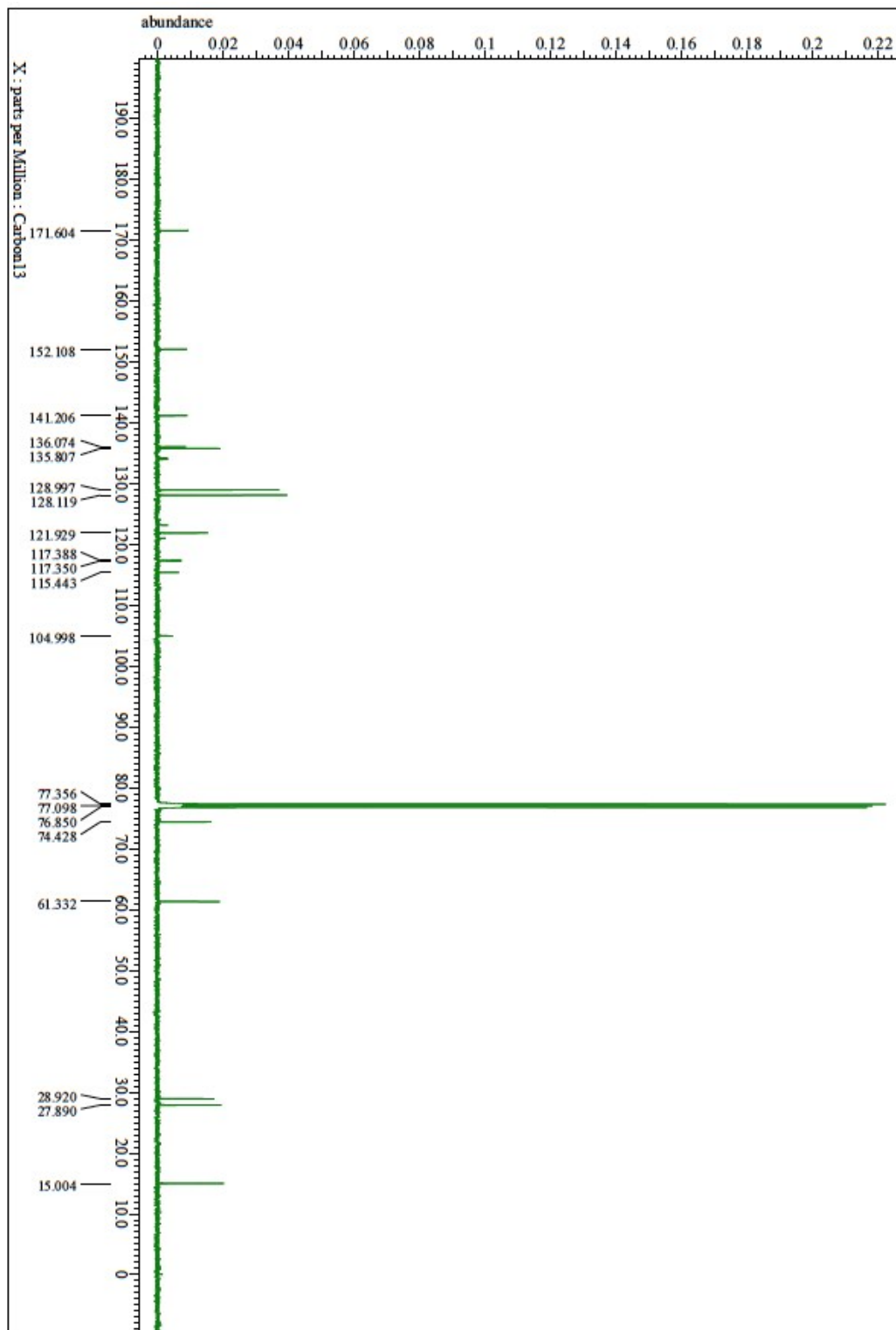
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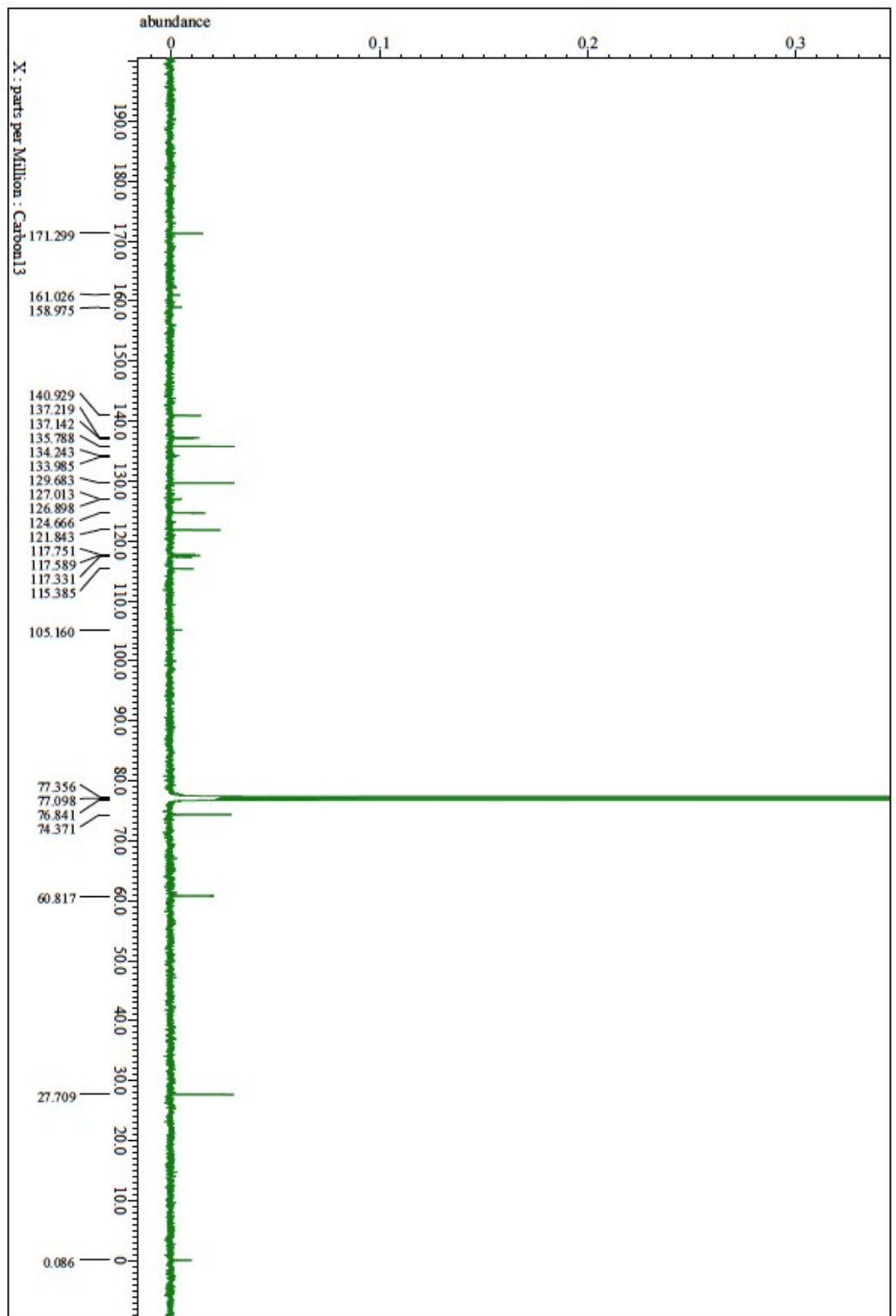
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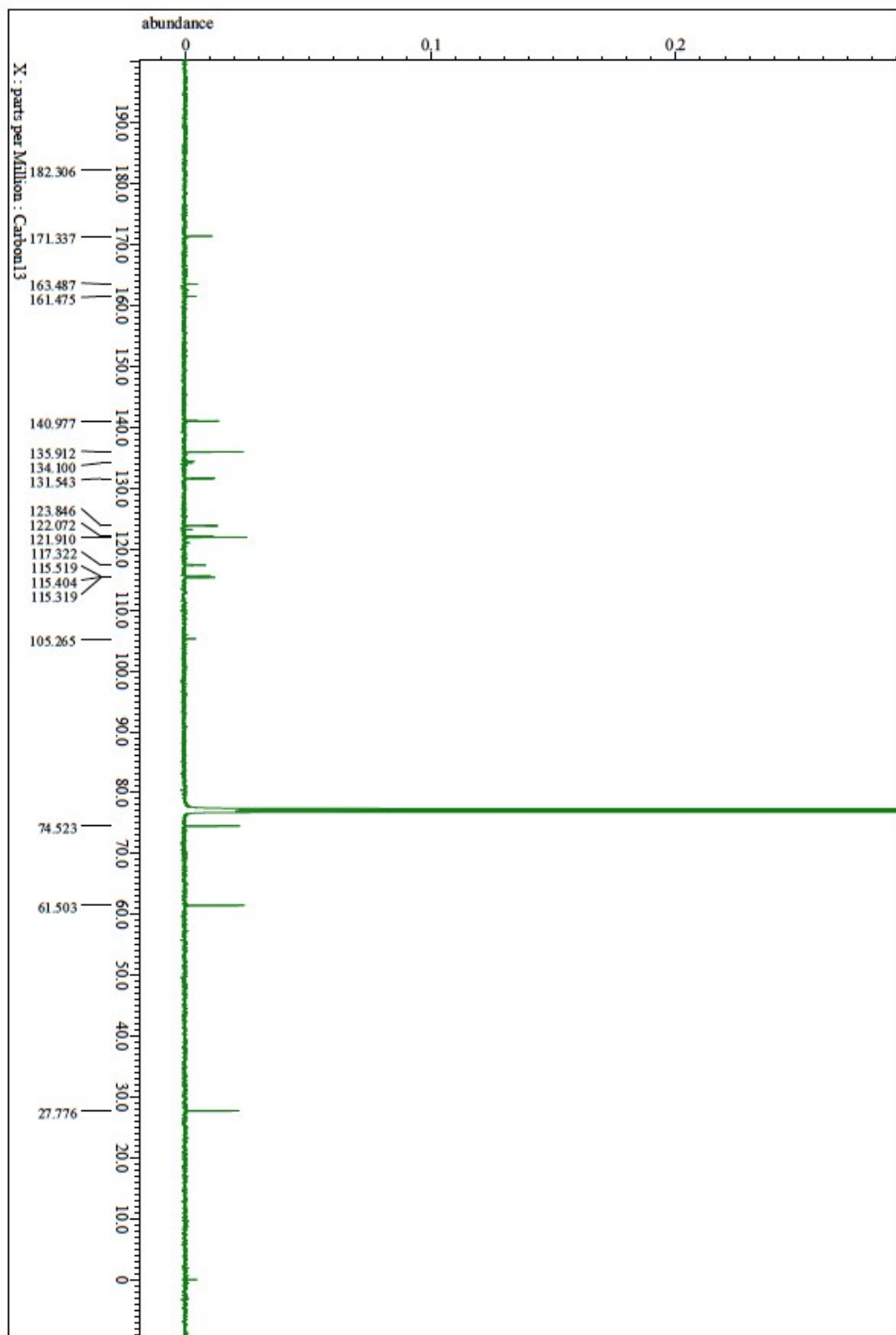
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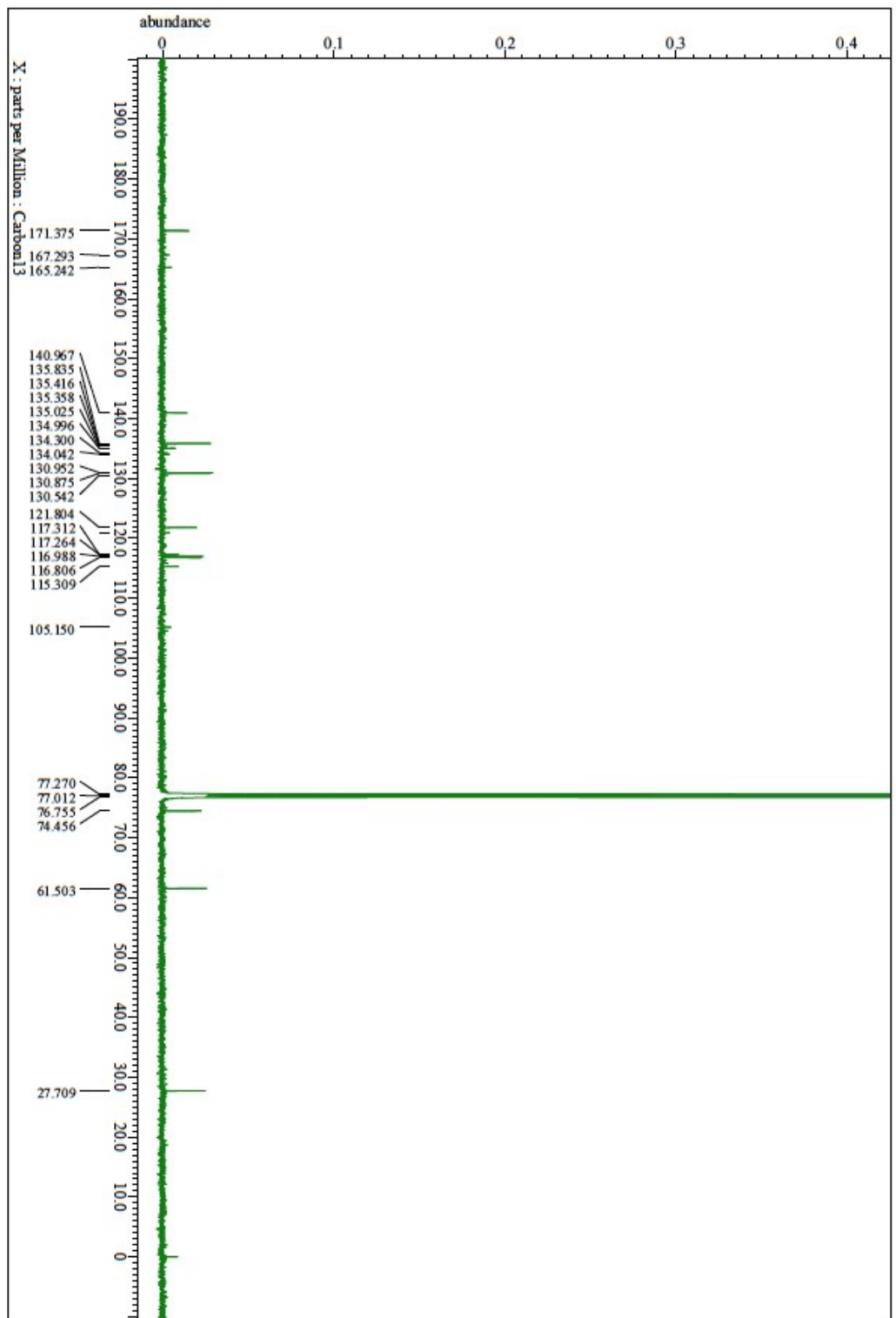
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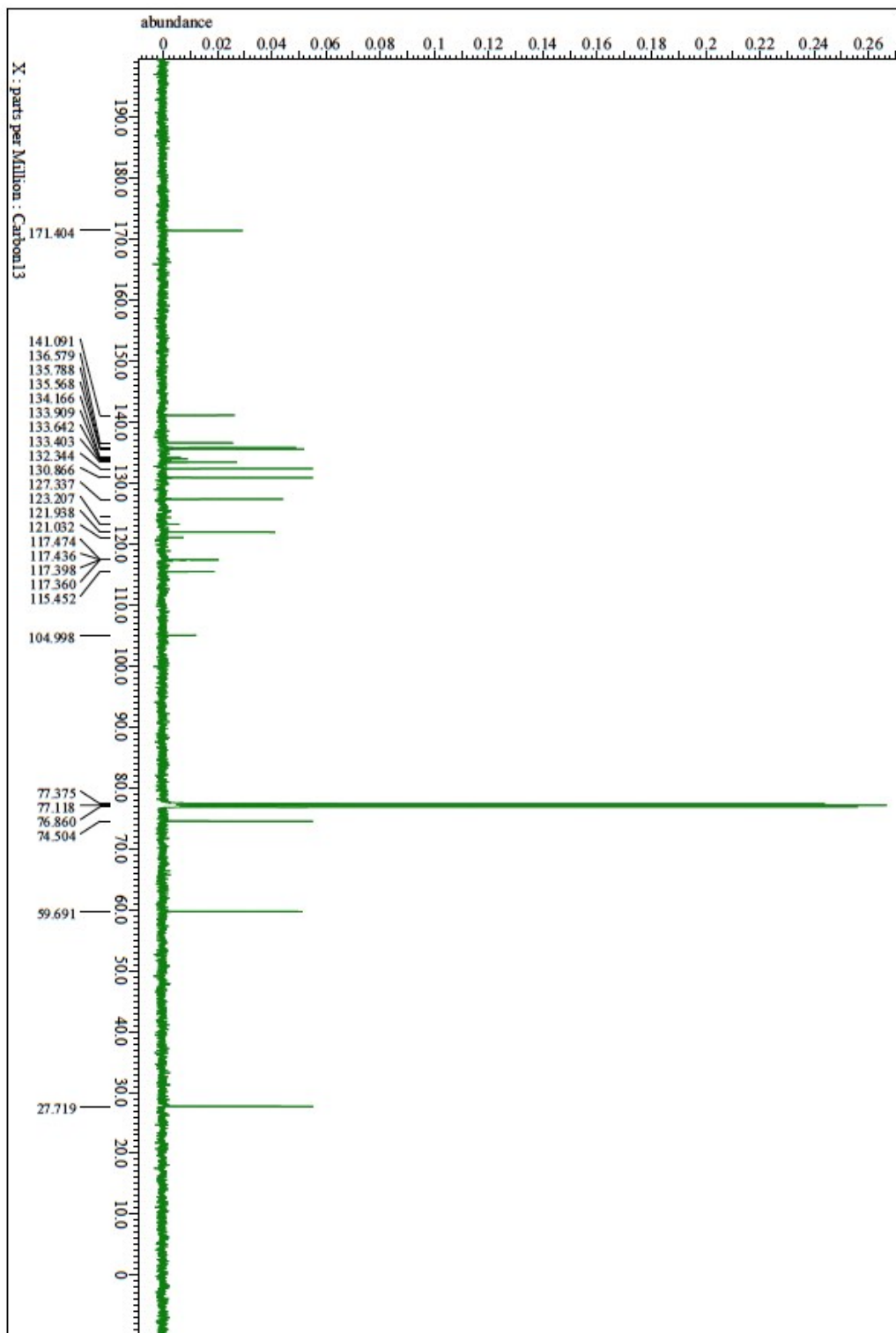
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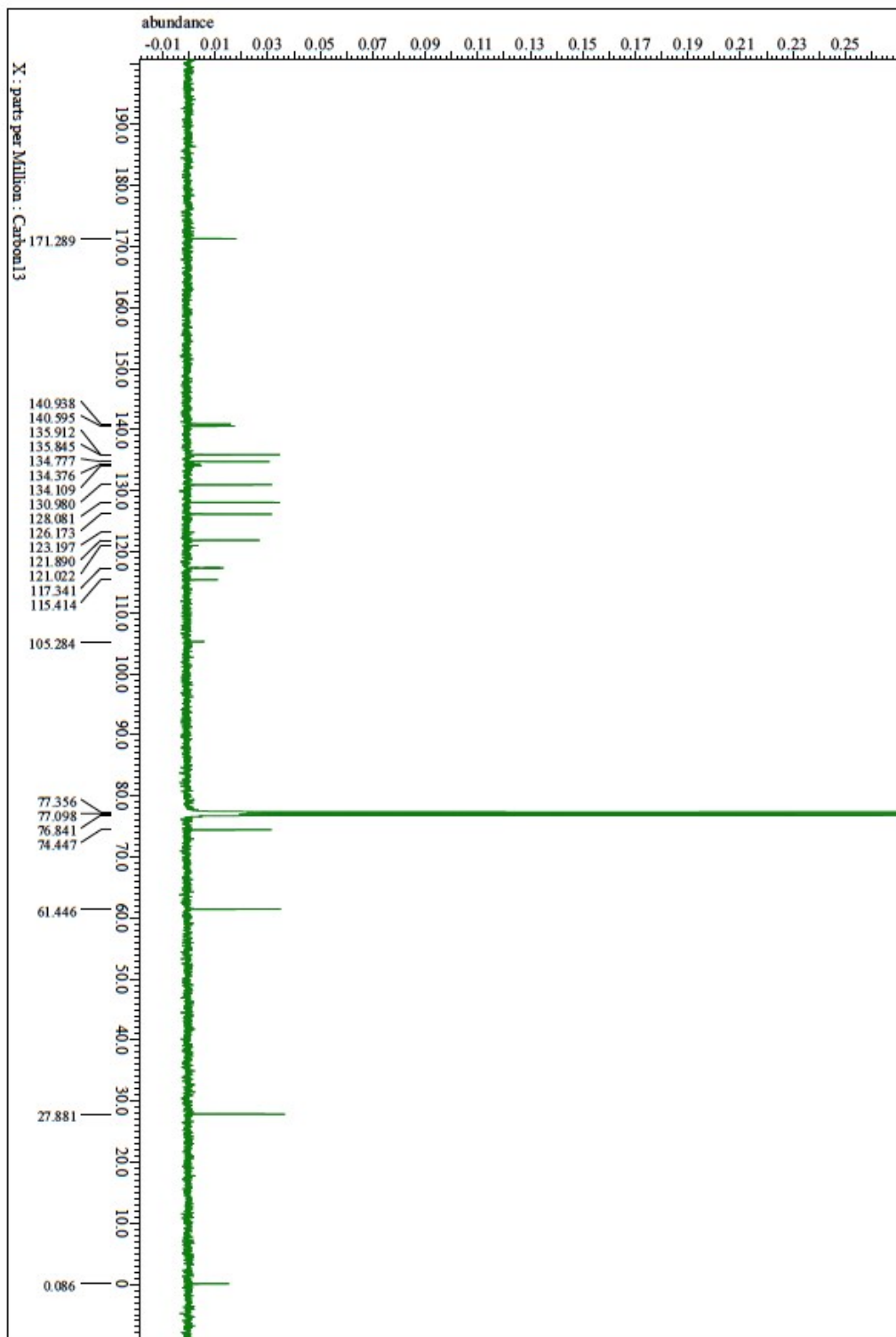
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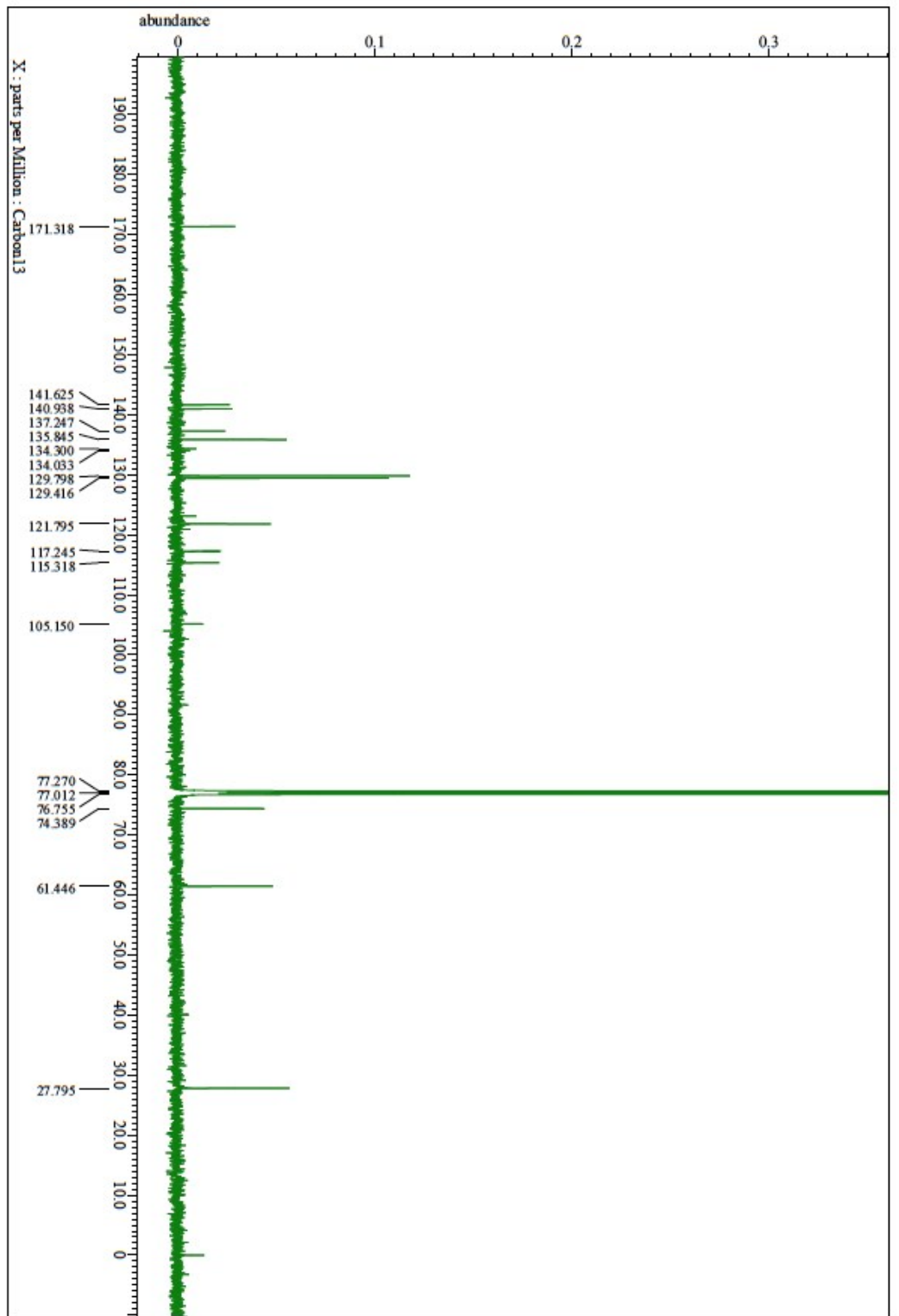
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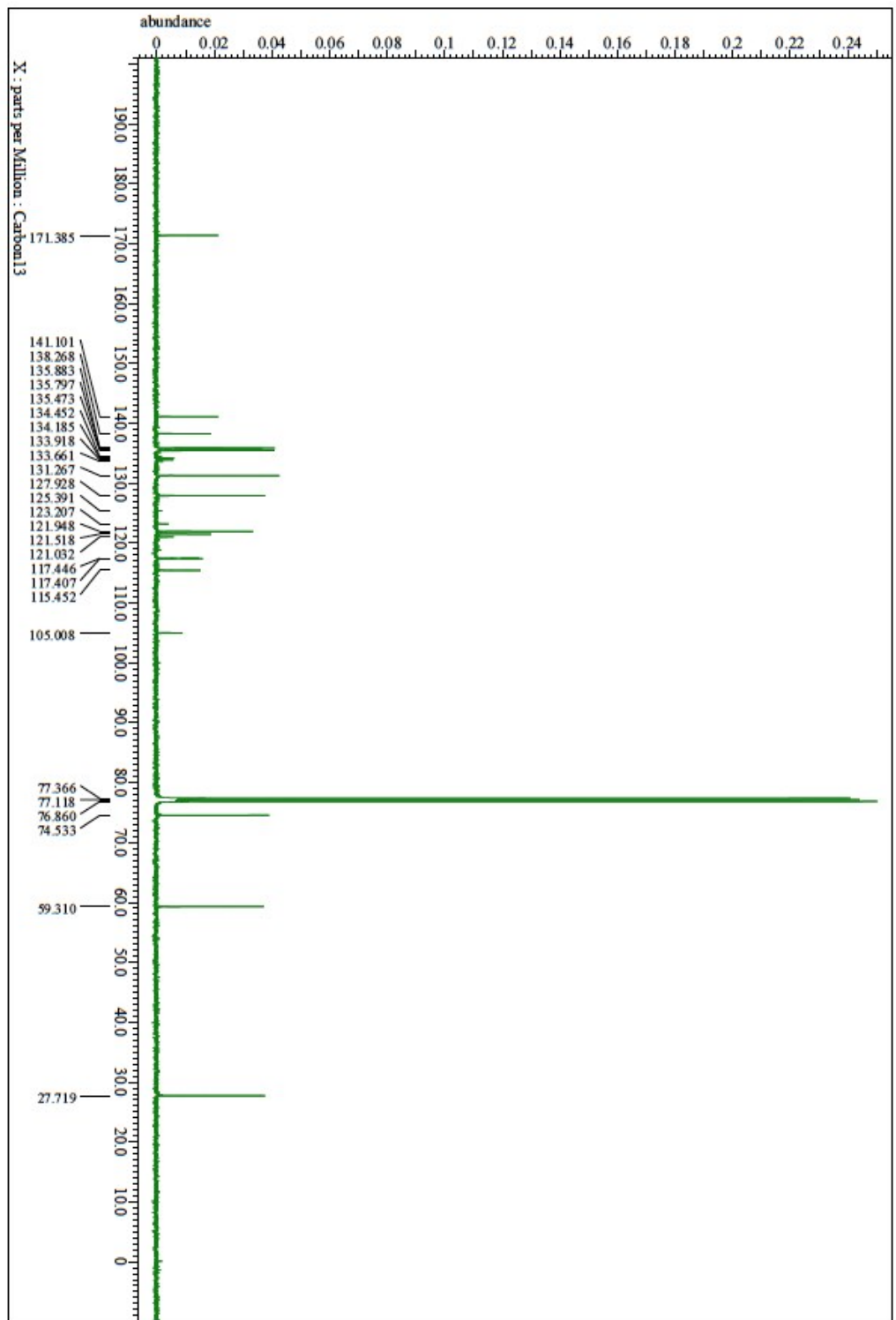
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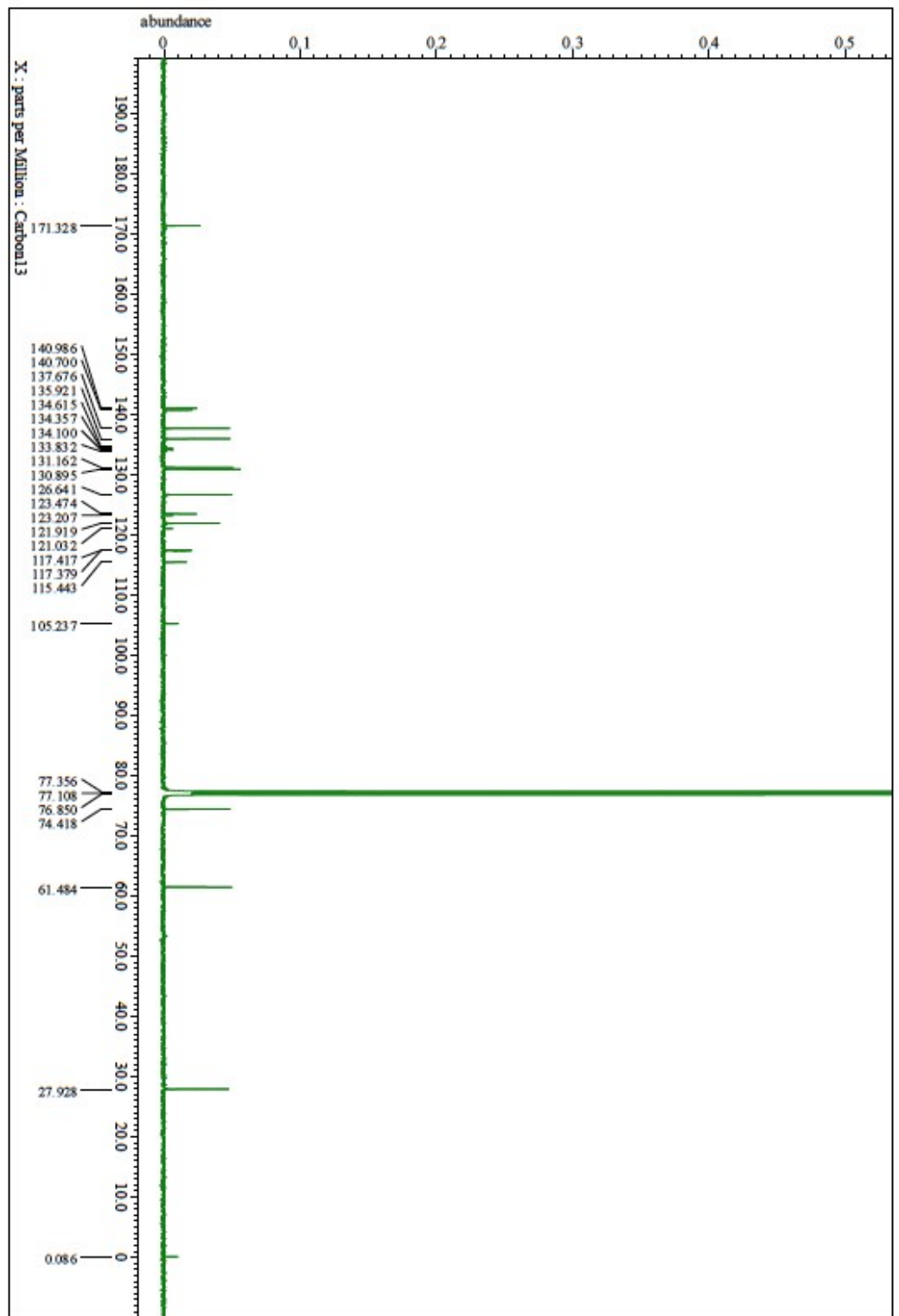
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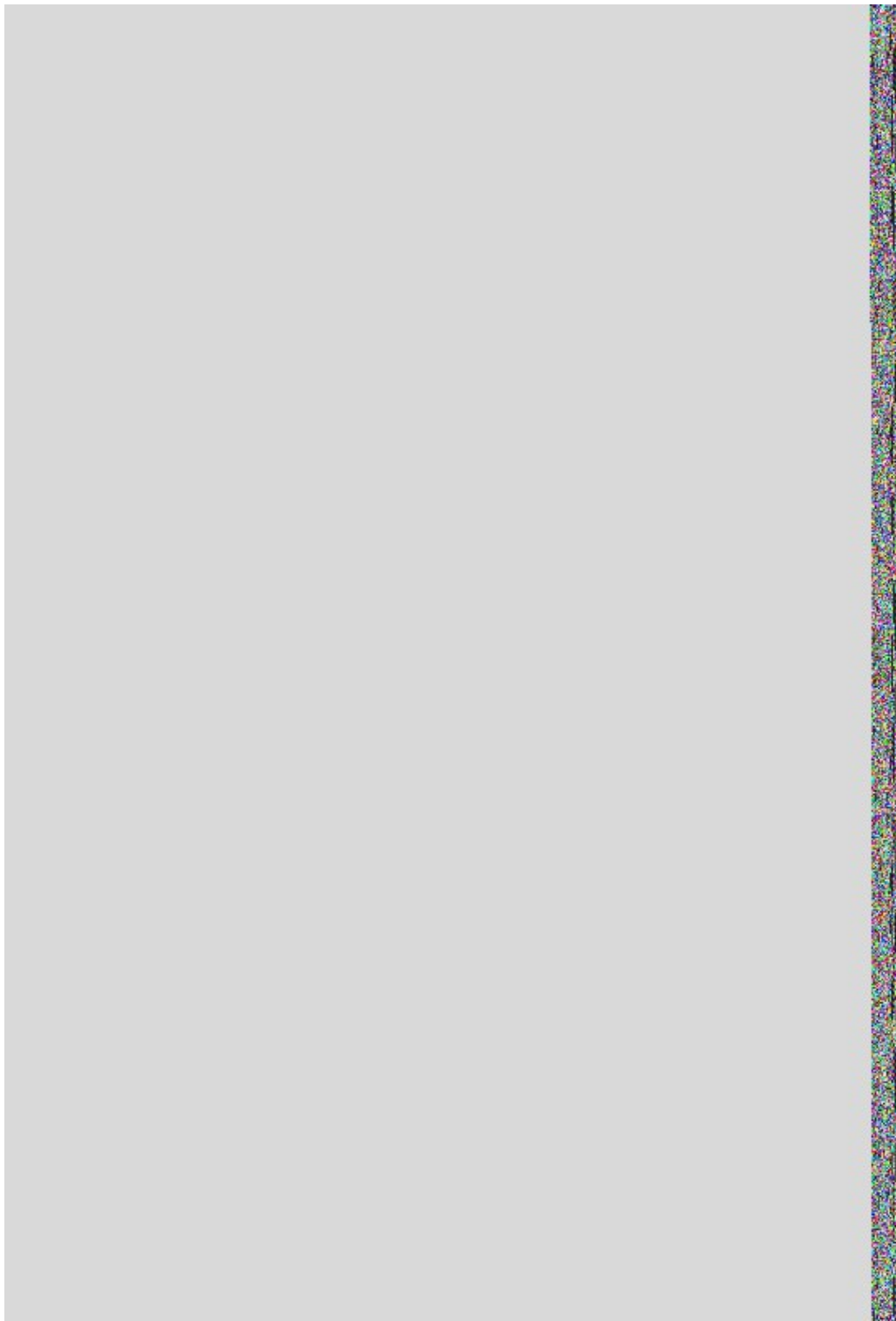


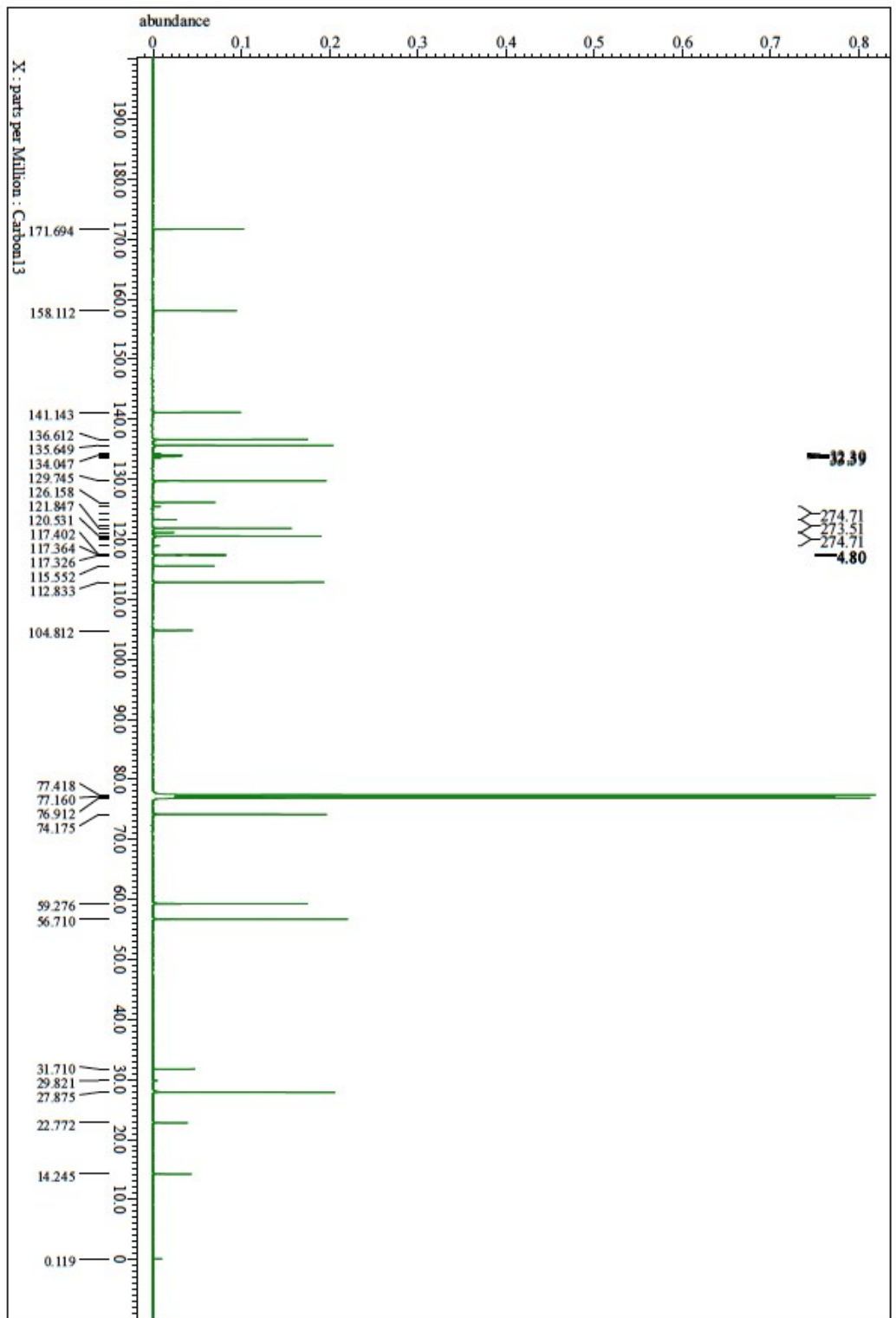
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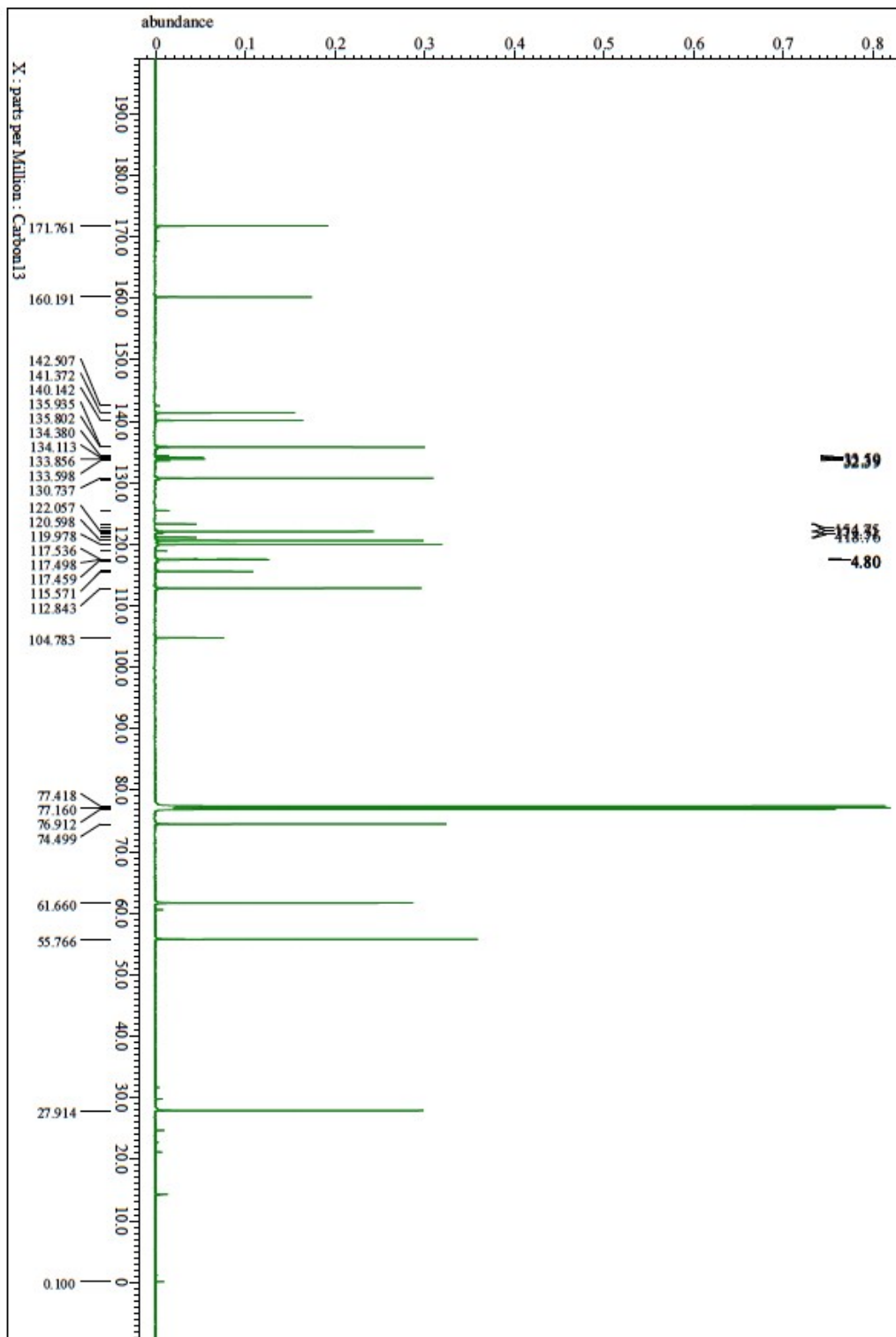
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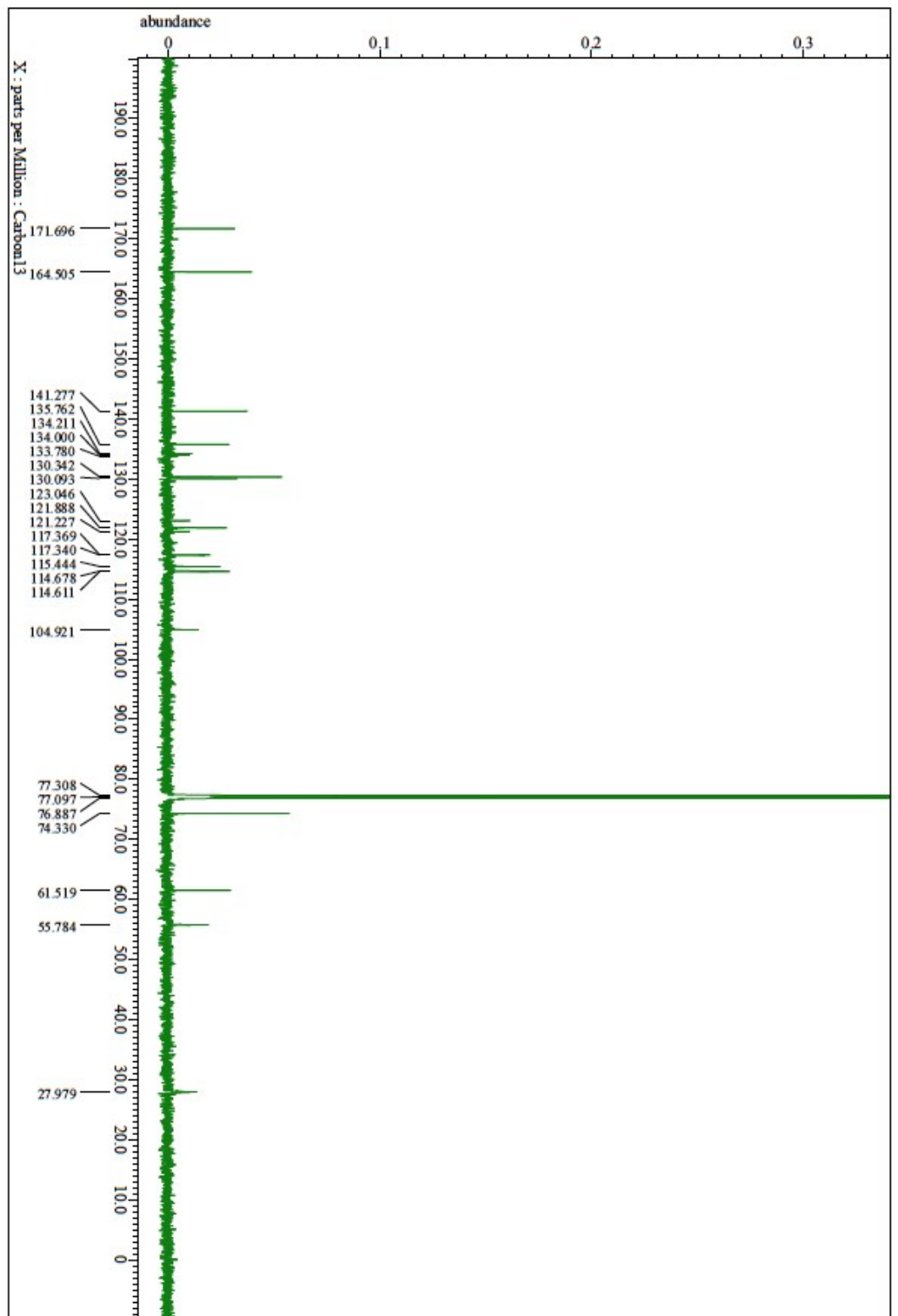


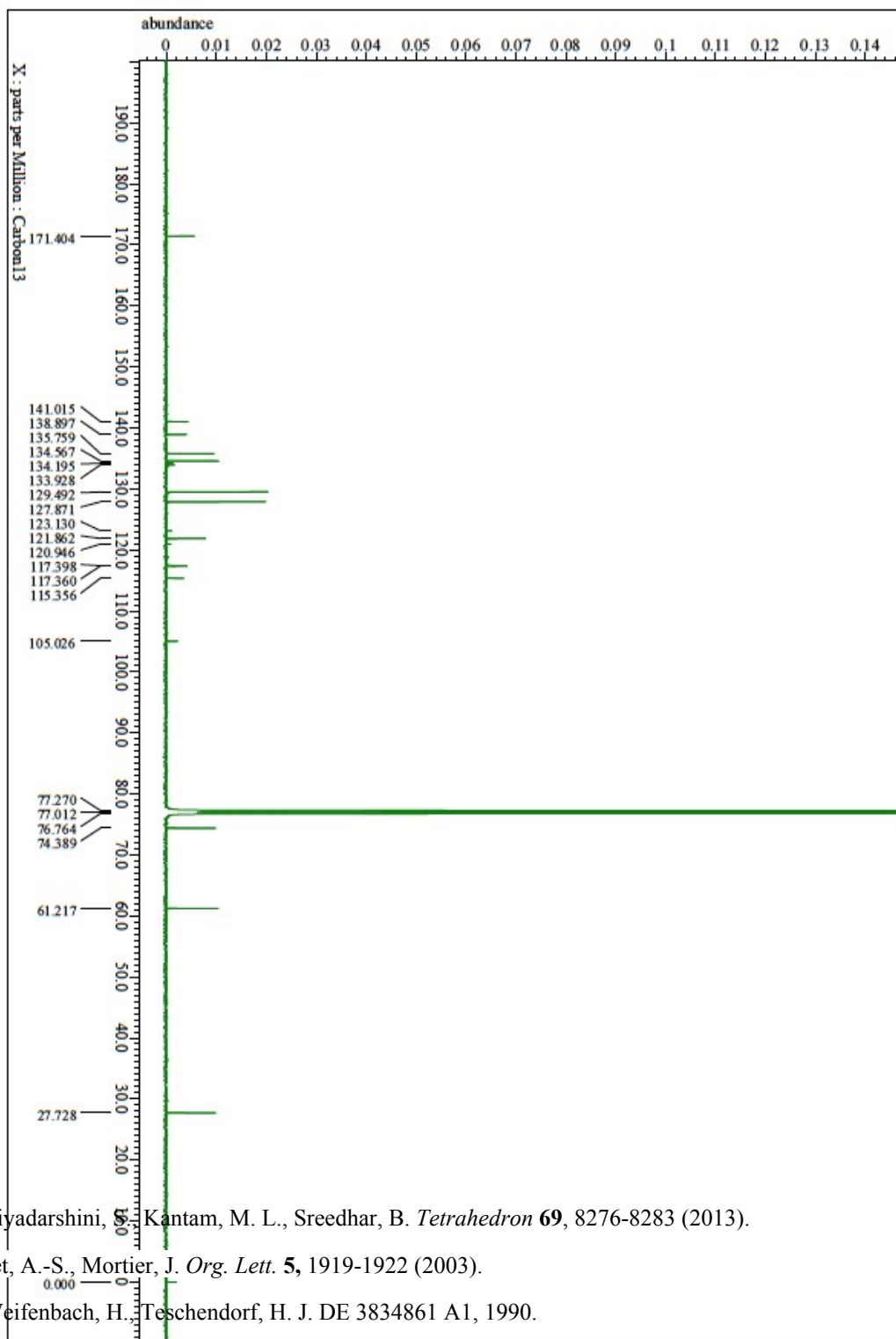


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