

Supporting Information

High Phenoxazinone Synthase Activity of Two Mononuclear *cis*-Dichloro Cobalt(II) Complexes with Rigid Pyridyl Scaffold

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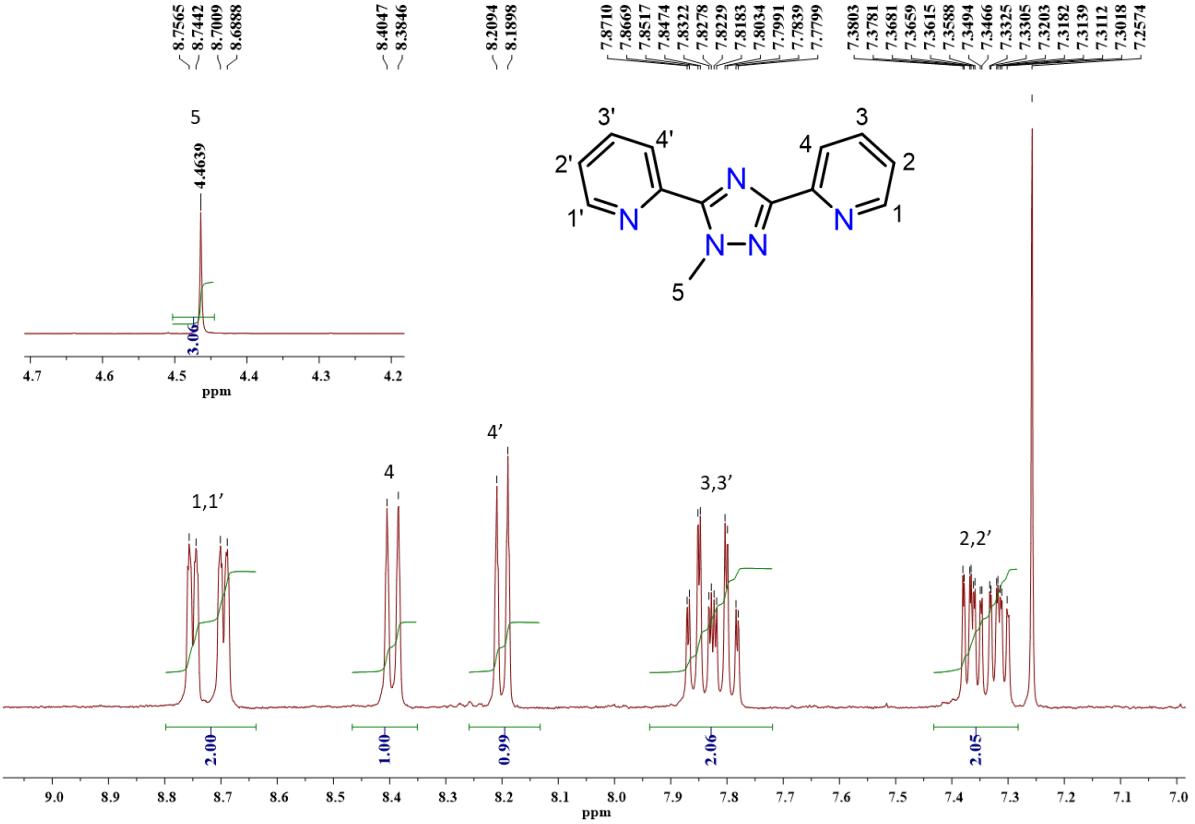


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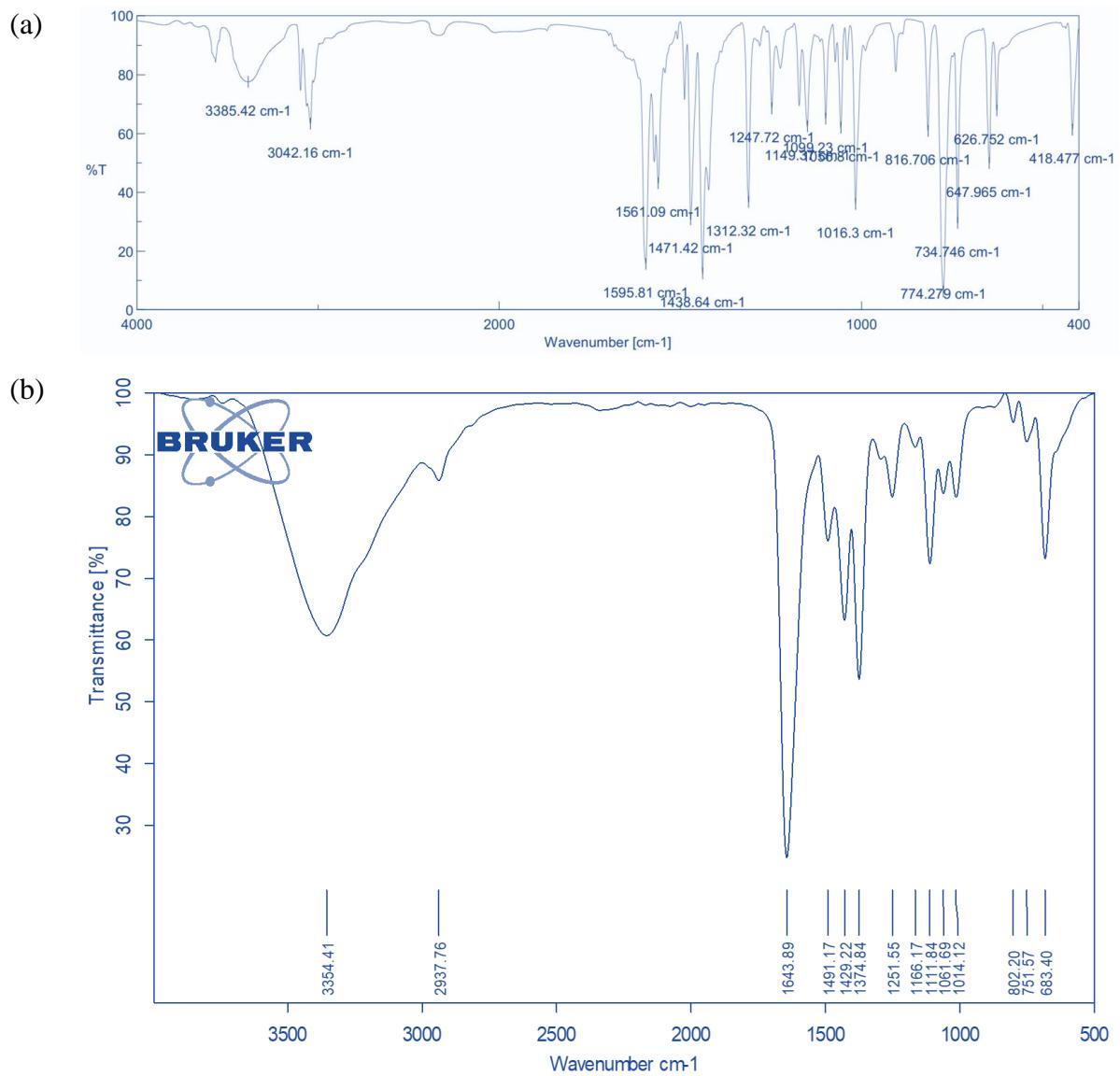


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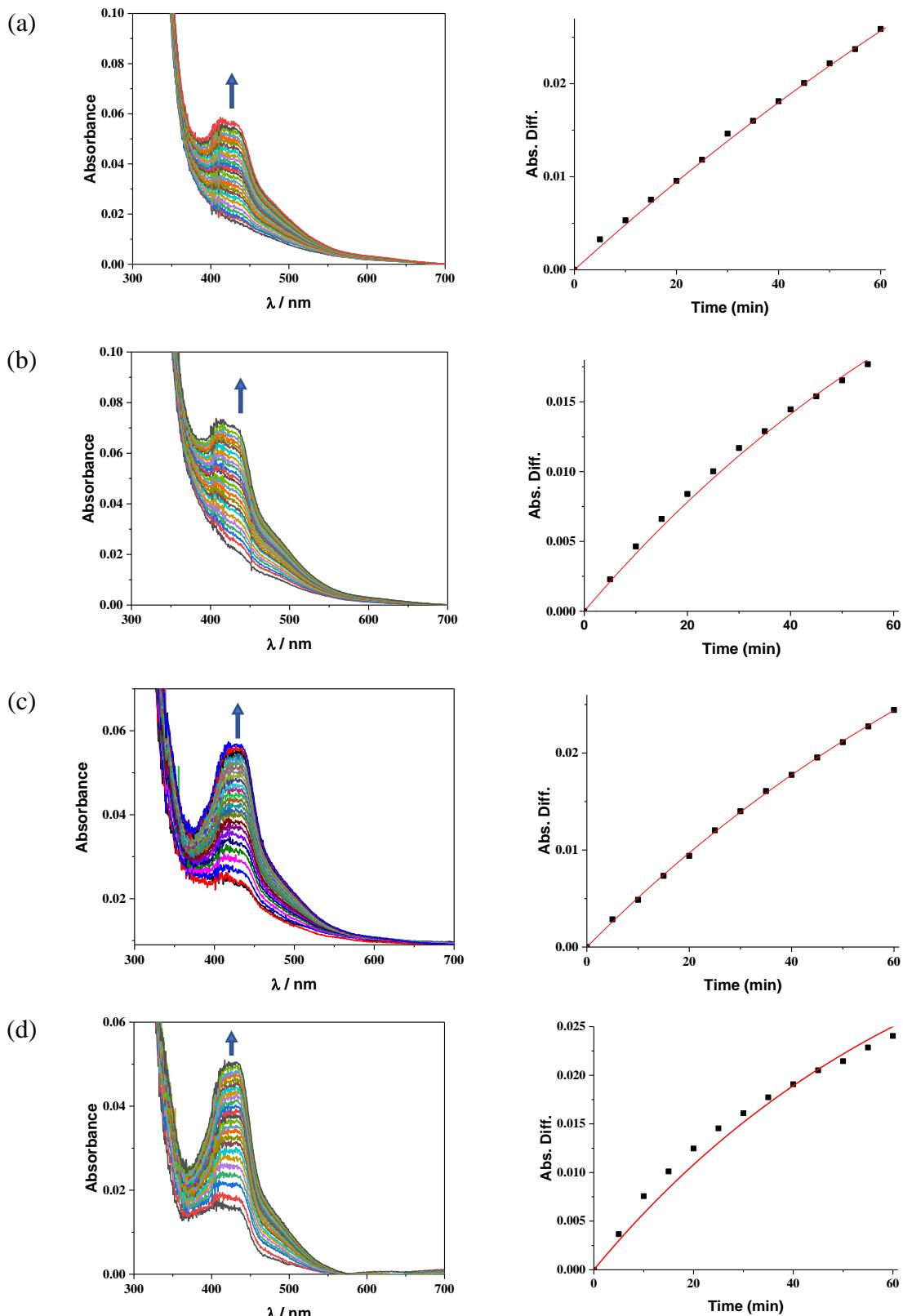


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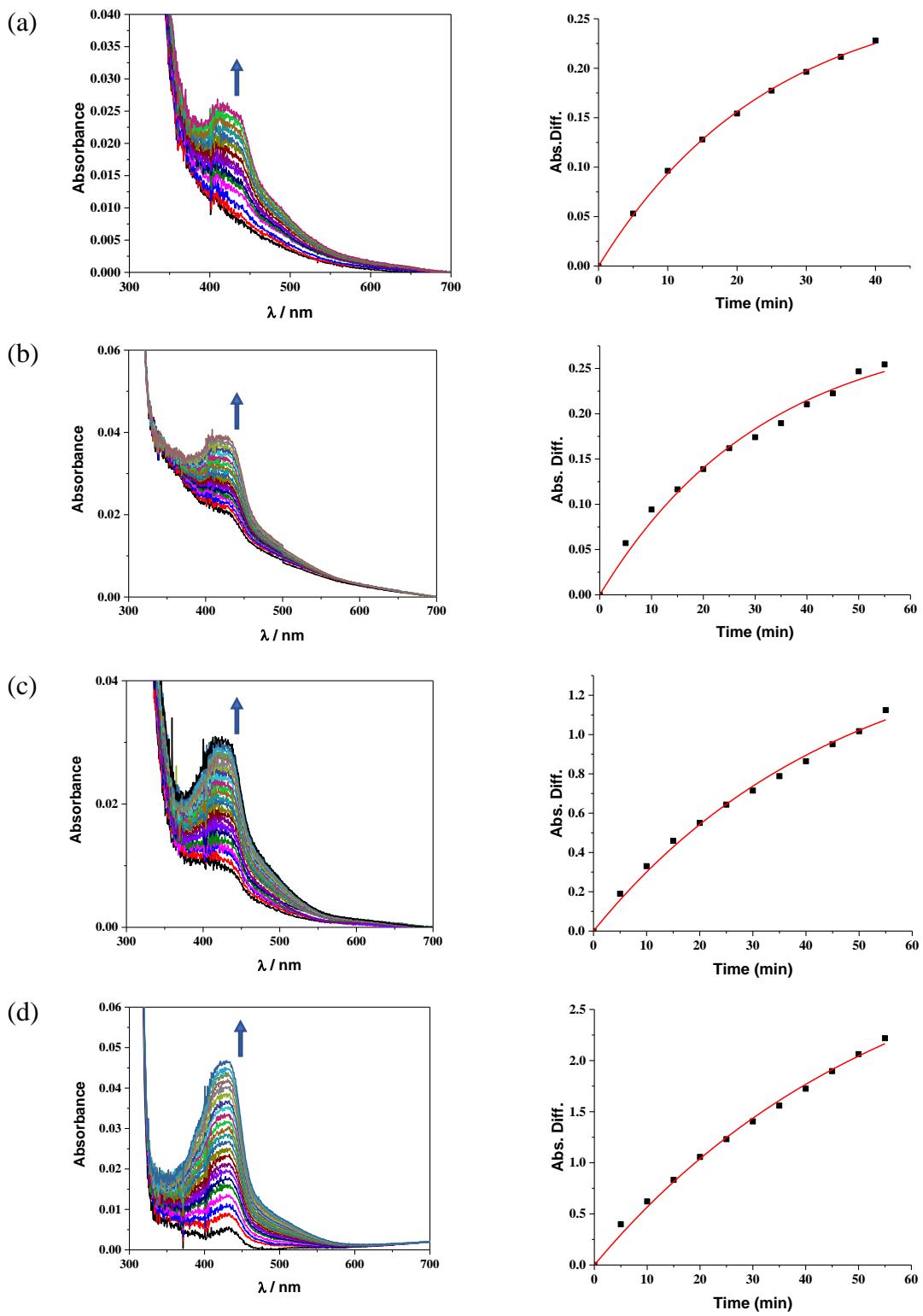


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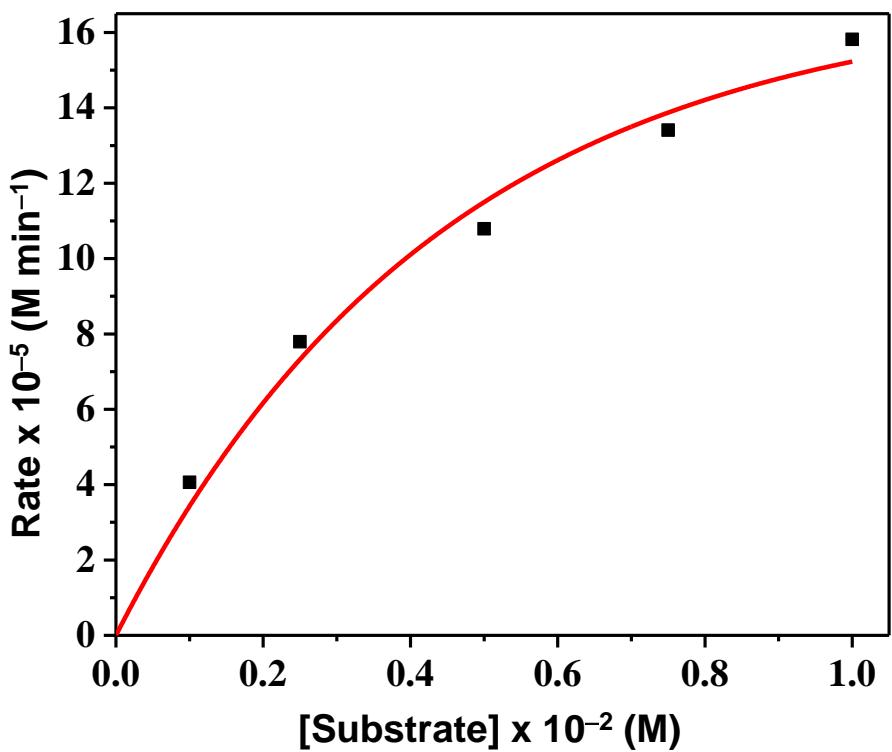


Fig. S5 Initial rate versus substrate concentration plot for the oxidation of *o*-aminophenol catalyzed by [2] at room temperature (25 °C).

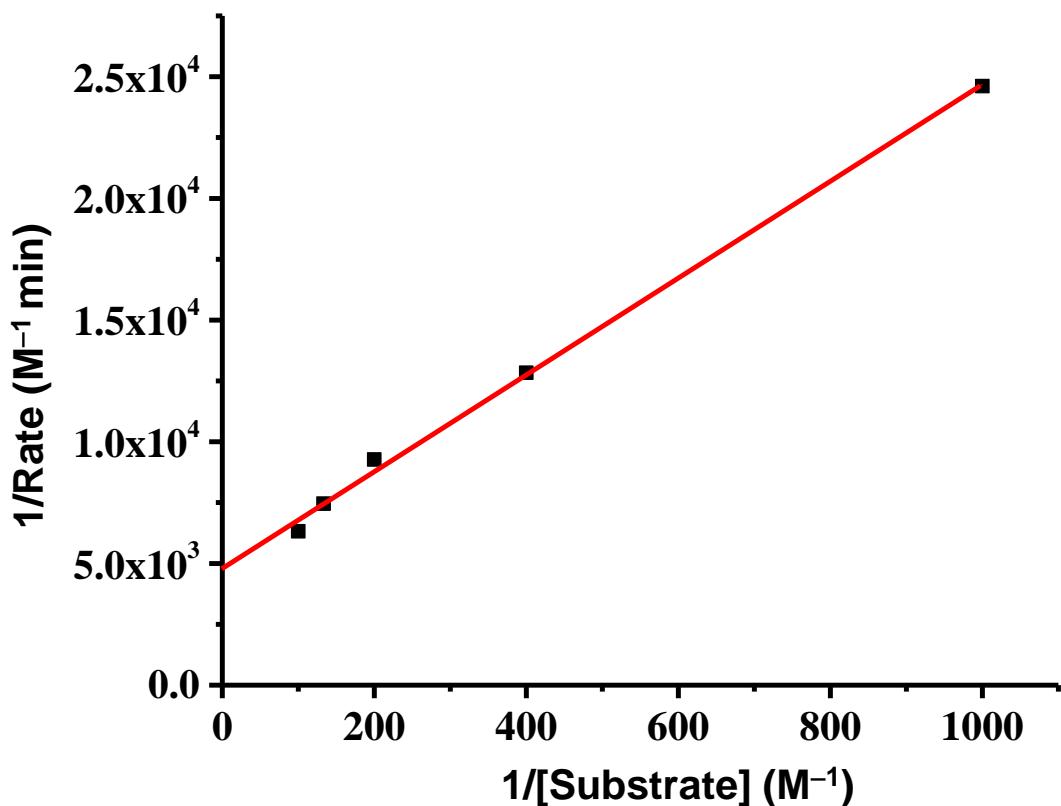


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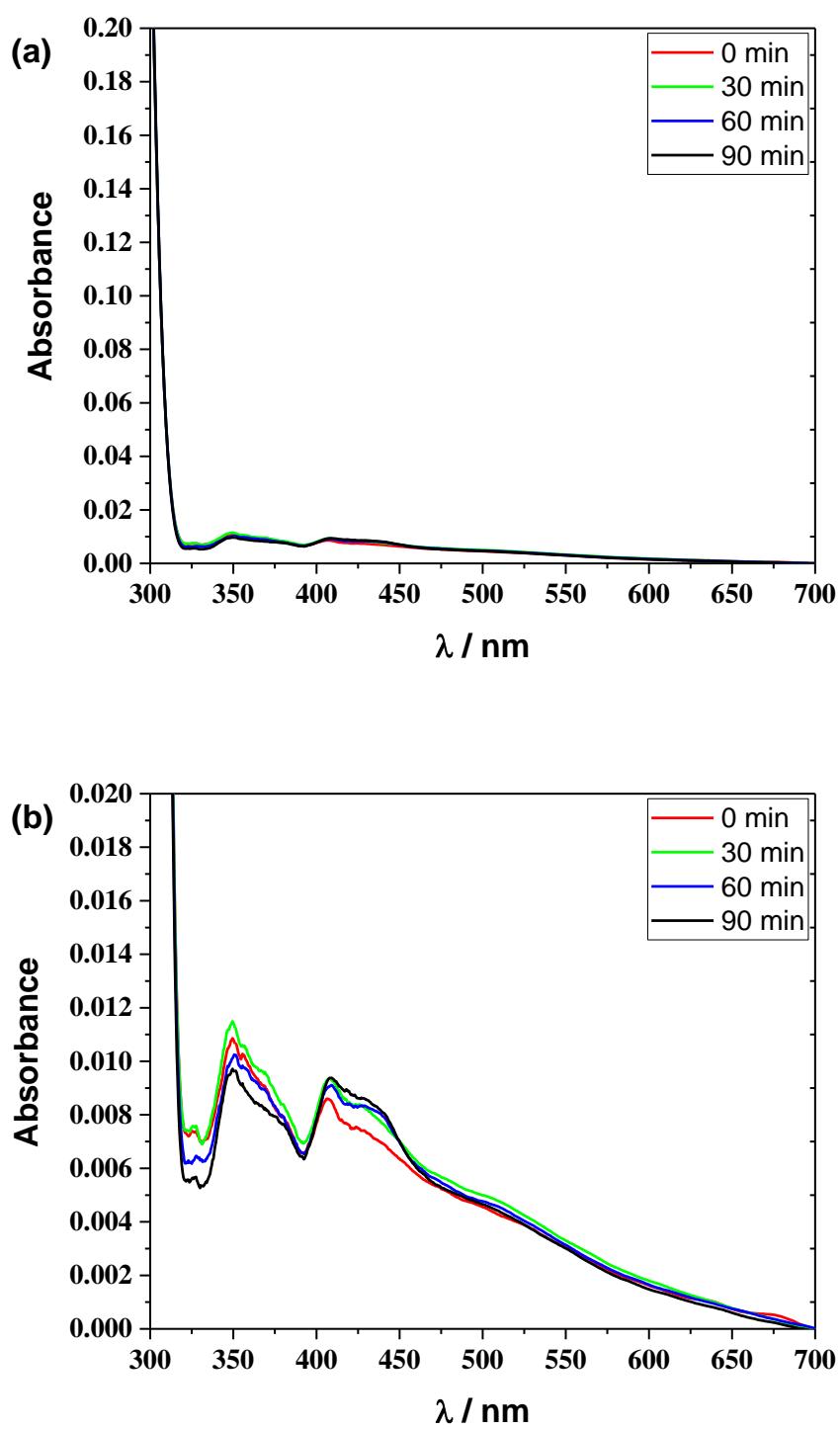


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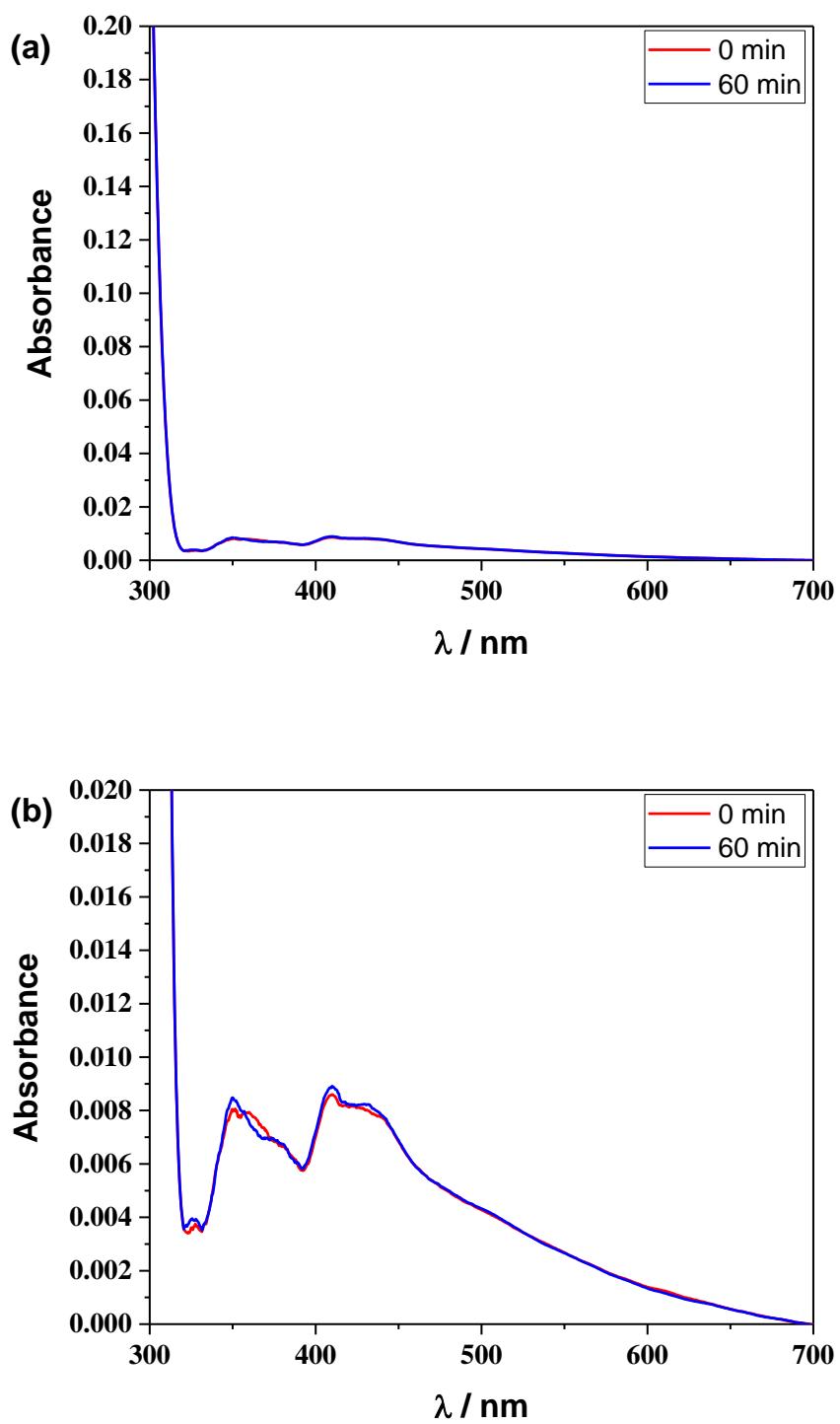


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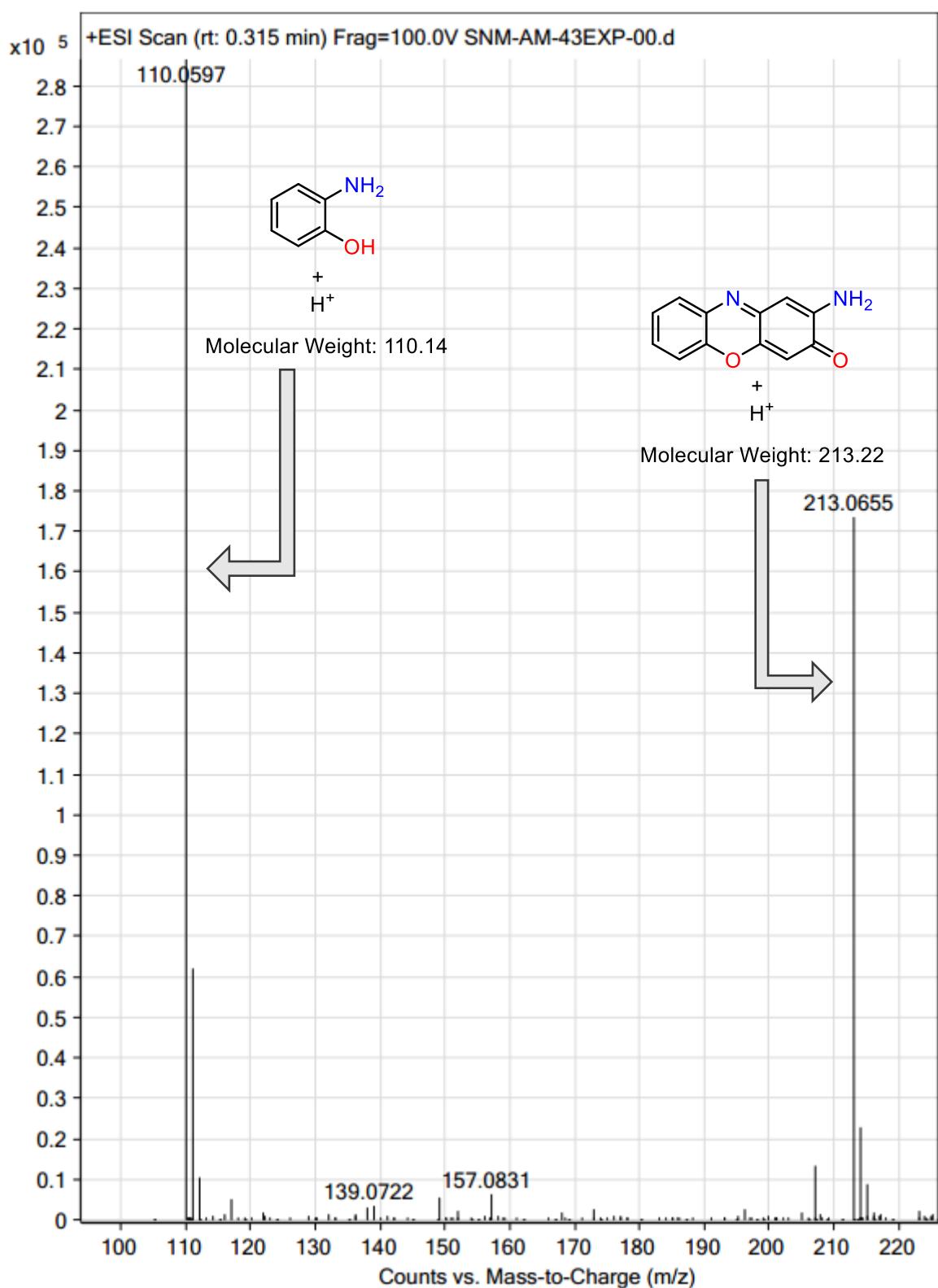
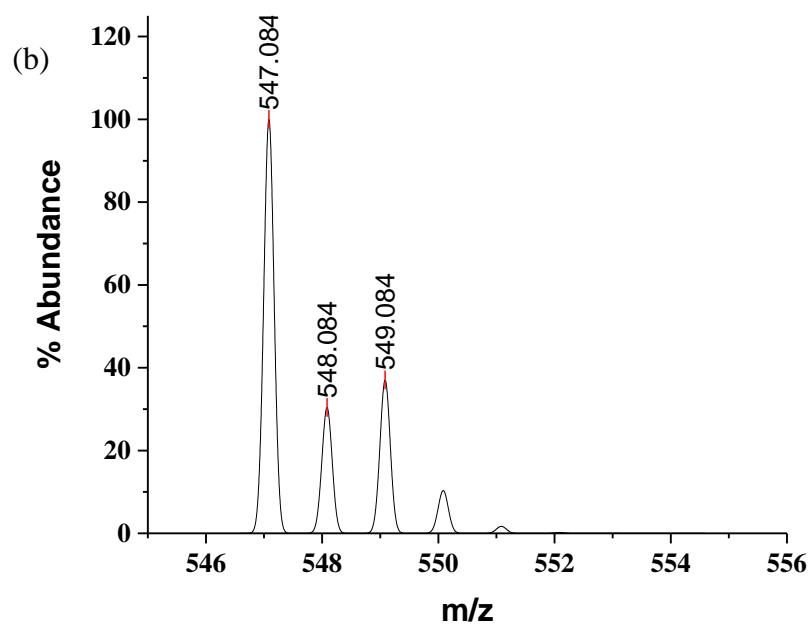
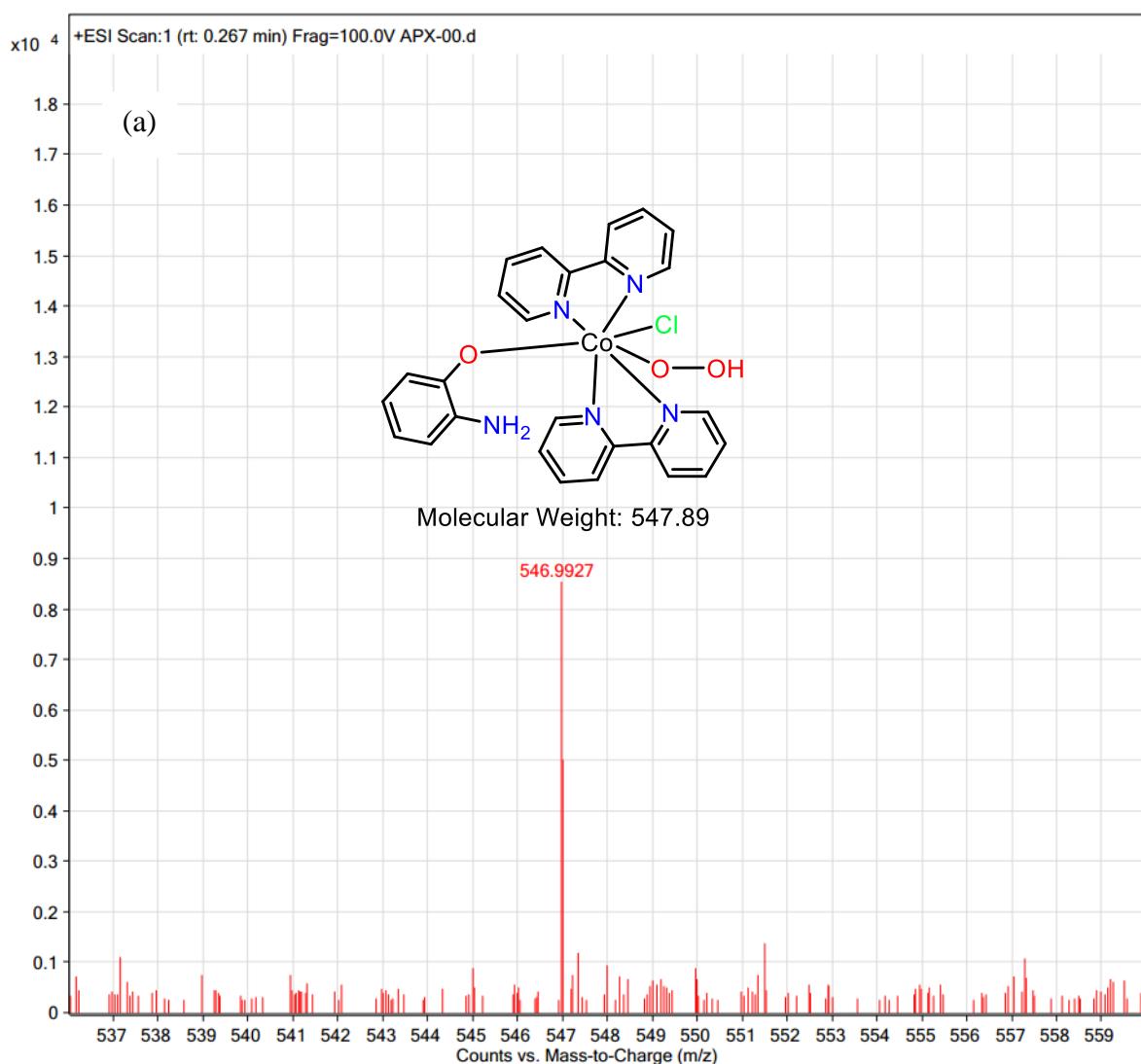
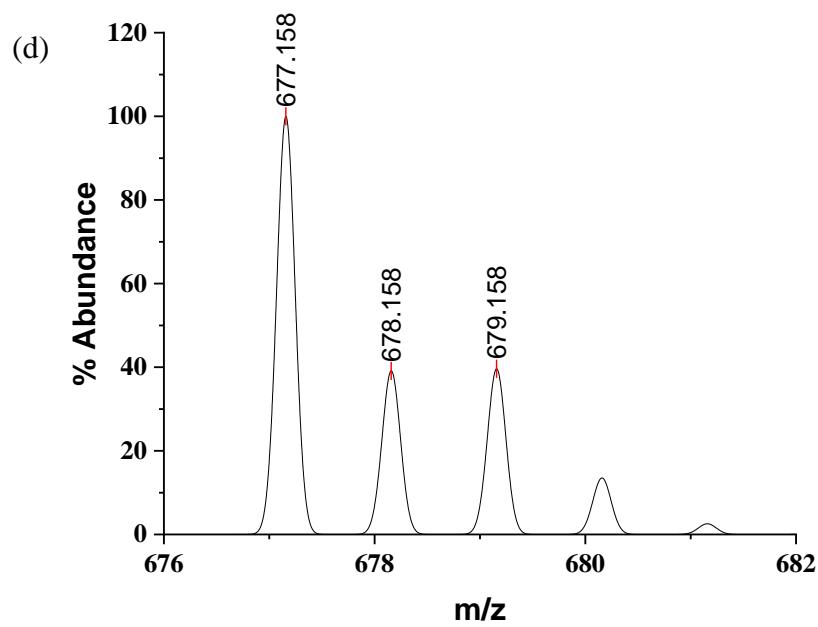
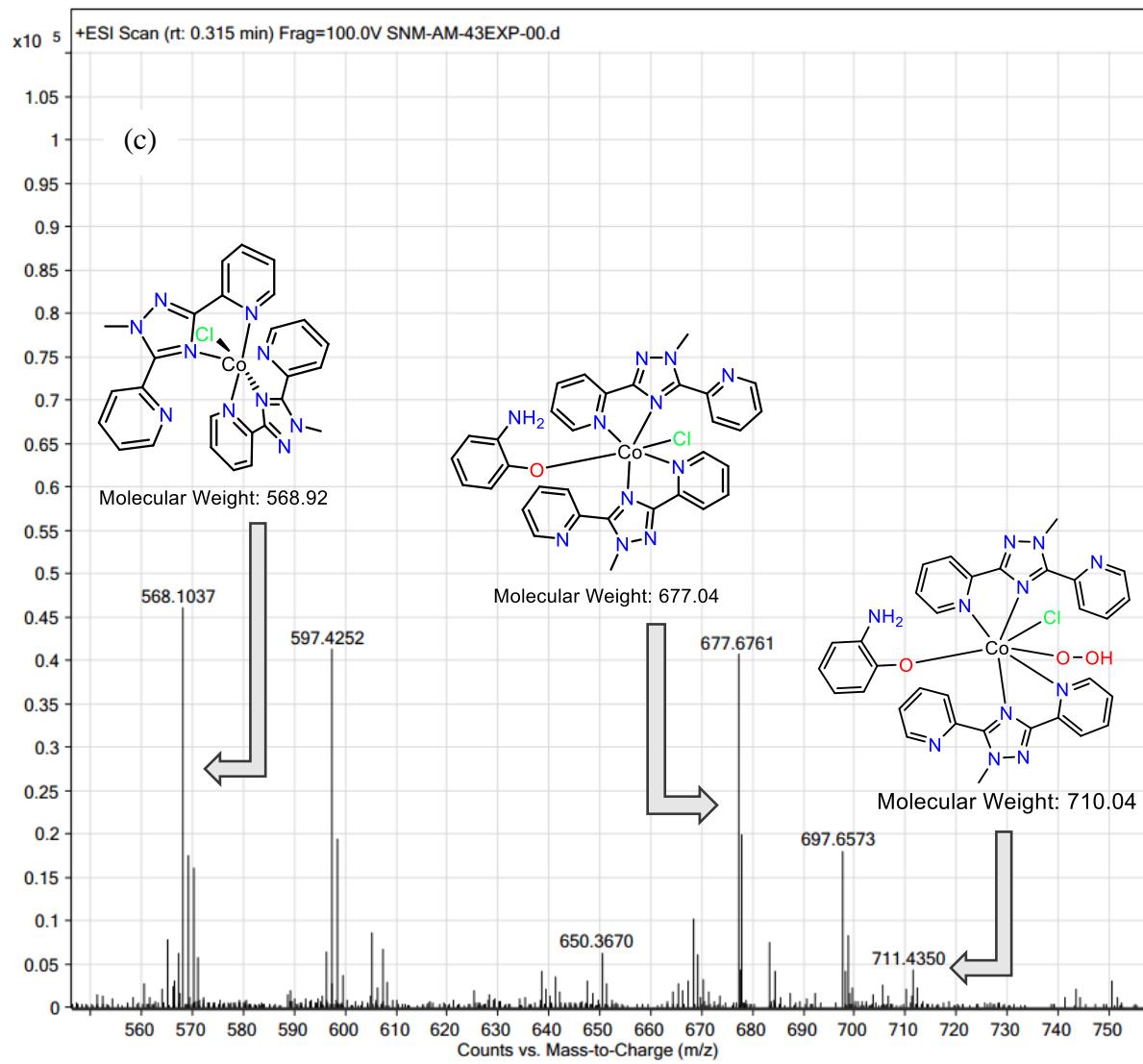


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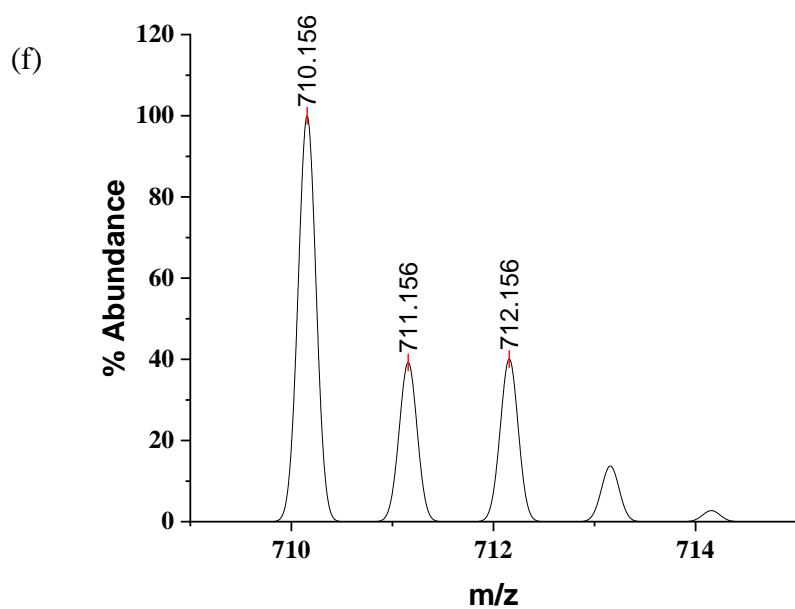
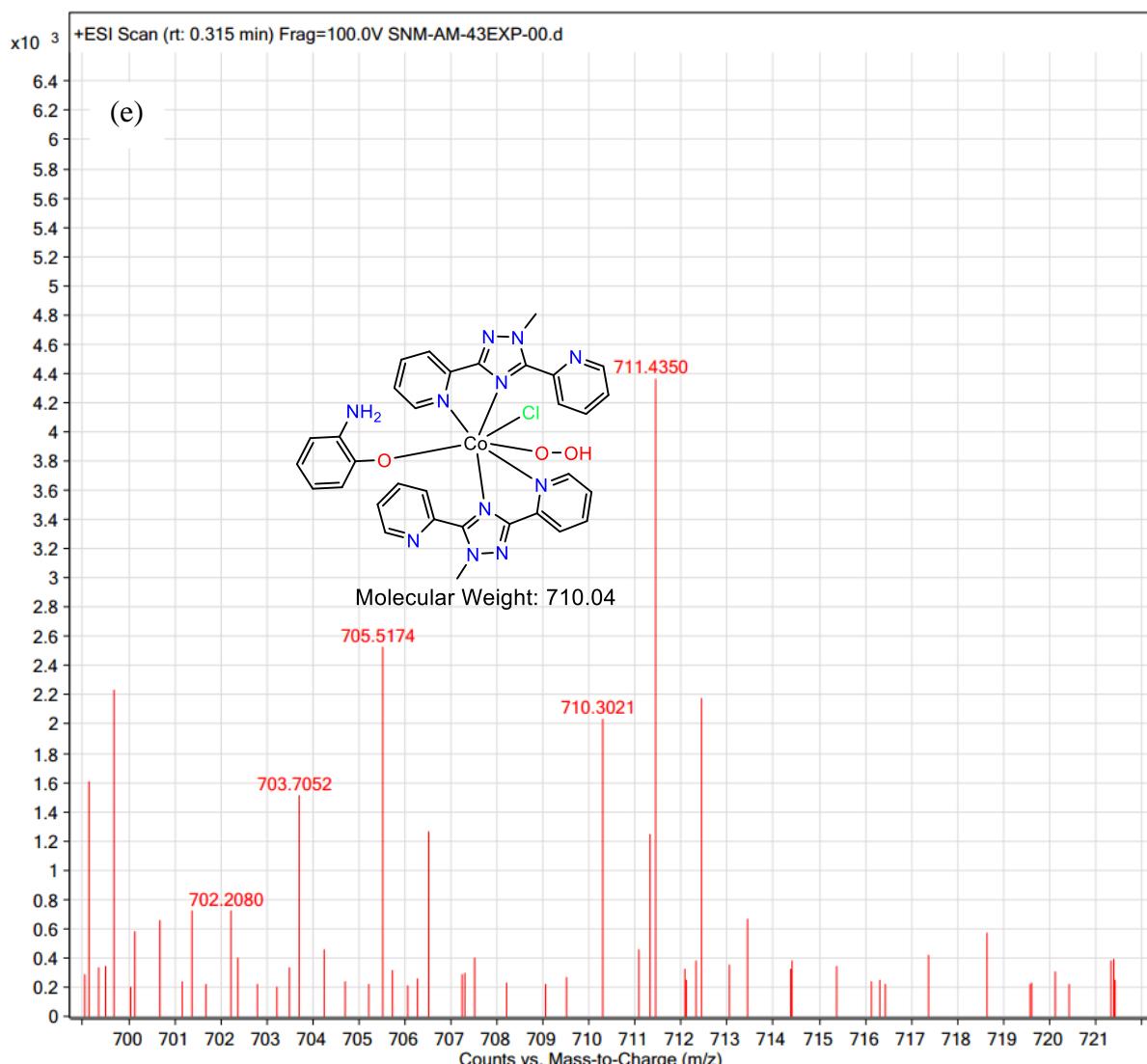


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