

Supporting Information

Nitrenium Ions as New Versatile Reagents for Electrophilic Amination

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1. General Information

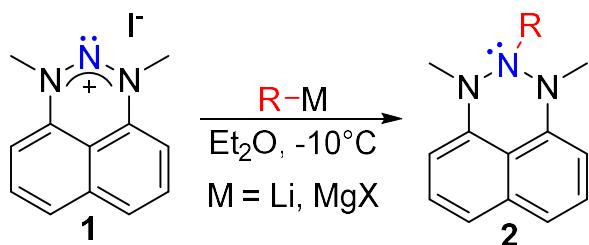
Oxygen- and moisture-sensitive reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of purified nitrogen in a glovebox equipped with an inert gas purifier. However, the electrophilic amination method presented here can also be utilized in a one-pot procedure without the isolation of the triazane intermediate. In this case, the procedure is carried out in a fume hood under inert conditions – using standard Schlenk techniques (as a standard protocol for working with organolithium or Grignard reagents). DCM, THF, Et₂O, hexane and toluene were purified by passing through a column of an activated alumina under inert atmosphere. Anhydrous MeCN, heptane and MeOH packed under inert gas (argon) were used as purchased. All commercially available reagents were used as received, except for 1,8-diaminonaphthalene which was distilled before use. All organomagnesium (Grignard) reagents used were commercially available and were used as received. 1-Adamantyl-lithium was prepared according to a literature procedure.¹ Aryl-lithium reagents were prepared according to a literature procedure.² Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on pre-coated silica gel 60 F-254 plates (particle size 0.040-0.055 mm, 230-400 mesh). NMR spectra were recorded on either a Bruker Avance300, Bruker AVII400, or on a Bruker AVIII600 spectrometer at 296K, unless mentioned otherwise. All chemical shifts (δ) are reported in parts per million (ppm) and the residual solvent peak was used as an internal standard for ¹H/¹³C NMR: CD₂Cl₂: δ =5.32/53.84; CDCl₃: δ =7.26/77.16; DMSO-d6: δ =2.50/39.52. ¹⁹F, ³¹P, ¹¹B and ¹⁵N NMR signals were referenced to CFCl₃, 85% H₃PO₄ in H₂O, BF₃·Et₂O and CH₃NO₂, respectively. NMR data are reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, quin = quintet, sept = septet, m = multiplet, b = broad), coupling constant(s) (Hz) and integration. High resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) analyses were conducted on Waters HPLC Acquity - Waters LCT Premier system, using an electrospray ionization (ESI+) technique (conditions: MeCN/H₂O (80/20), flow rate: 0.2 ml/min), or on Bruker Maxis Impact system, using an atmospheric-pressure chemical ionization (APCI+) solid probe.

2. Experimental procedures

Preparation of 1*N*,3*N*-dimethylnaphthotriazinium iodide (NHN 1):

NHN **1** and the ^{15}N -labelled NHN **1'** were prepared according to a literature procedure.³

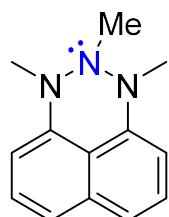
General procedure for the preparation of triazanes:



Scheme S1. Preparation of triazanes from NHN **1**.

Within a glovebox containing nitrogen atmosphere, NHN **1** (0.1 g, 0.308 mmol) was loaded into a 20 ml vial, and then Et₂O was added (4 ml) and the vial was cooled to -10°C. The desired organolithium or Grignard reagent solution (1.1 equiv., 0.338 mmol) was cooled to -10°C as well, and then added dropwise to the vial while stirring. The type of organometallic reagent (RLi or RMgBr) was chosen either for reasons of commercial availability, or for ease of preparation, thus most of the aryl nucleophiles were chosen to be aryl-lithium reagents (prepared using *n*-BuLi and an aryl-iodide derivative).² Organolithium and Grignard reagents procured from commercial sources were used directly, while organolithium reagents prepared by us were dissolved in Et₂O (1 ml) before use. The reaction mixture was stirred for 10 minutes while allowing it to reach room temperature, and then the solvent was evaporated. Hexane (2 ml x 5) was then added to the residual solids and the resulting suspension was passed through a pad of Celite. The solvent was evaporated, and the crude triazane product was recrystallized from a hexane or heptane solution.

1*N*,2*N*,3*N*-Trimethylnaphthotriazane 2a

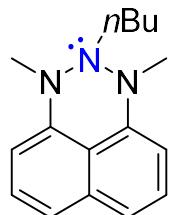


¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ (ppm)=7.38 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}=8.3$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}=7.3$ Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.33 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}=8.3$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}}=0.9$ Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.64 (dd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}=7.3$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{H,H}}=0.9$ Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.09 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃), 2.40 (s, 3H; central CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ (ppm)=140.7 (Ar-C),

134.0 (Ar-C), 127.3 (Ar-C), 119.6 (Ar-C), 115.6 (Ar-C), 108.7 (Ar-C), 40.2 (flanking CH₃), 36.0 (central CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₁₃H₁₆N₃⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 214.1339, found: 214.1326.

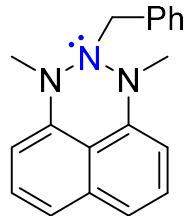
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¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.38 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.3 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.3 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.33 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.3 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.9 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.66 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=7.3 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.9 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.15 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃), 2.58 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.0 Hz, 2H; N-CH₂), 1.57-1.51 (m, 2H; CH₂), 1.39-1.32 (m, 2H; CH₂), 0.92 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 3H; CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=141.0 (Ar-C), 134.1 (Ar-C), 127.2 (Ar-C), 119.4 (Ar-C), 116.3 (Ar-C), 109.0 (Ar-C), 50.5 (N-CH₂), 41.5 (flanking CH₃), 29.8 (CH₂), 20.8 (CH₂), 14.3 (CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₁₆H₂₂N₃⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 256.1808, found: 256.1800.

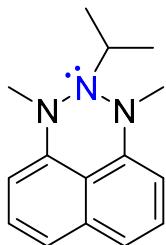
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¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.41 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.7 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.38 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.1 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.34-7.30 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 7.30-7.26 (m, 3H; Ar-H), 6.66 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.1 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.72 (s, 2H; CH₂) 3.07 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=140.7 (Ar-C), 138.1 (Ar-C), 134.2 (Ar-C), 129.8 (Ar-C), 128.4 (Ar-C), 127.4 (Ar-C), 127.3 (Ar-C), 119.6 (Ar-C), 116.2 (Ar-C), 109.0 (Ar-C), 54.9 (N-CH₂), 41.4 (flanking CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₁₉H₂₀N₃⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 290.1652, found: 290.1643.

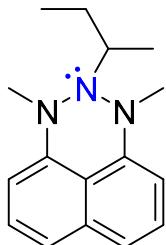
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-isopropylnaphthotriazane **2d**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.32 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.3 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.3 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.23 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.3 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.9 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.58 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=7.3 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.9 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.20 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃), 2.96 (sept, ³J_{H,H}=6.2 Hz, 1H; CH), 1.02 (d, ³J_{H,H}=6.2 Hz, 6H; CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=140.7 (Ar-C), 134.5 (Ar-C), 127.3 (Ar-C), 118.7 (Ar-C), 116.6 (Ar-C), 108.3 (Ar-C), 55.4 (N-CH), 44.6 (flanking CH₃), 20.6 (CH₃).

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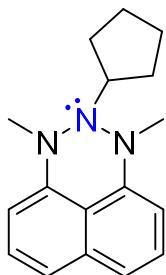
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¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.35 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.6 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.29 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.1 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.25 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.1 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.64 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.55 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 3.27 (s, 3H; flanking CH₃), 3.20 (s, 3H; flanking CH₃), 2.90-2.83 (m, 1H; CH), 1.65-1.56 (m, 1H; CH₂), 1.50-1.41 (m, 1H; CH₂), 0.99 (d, ³J_{H,H}=6.4 Hz, 3H; CH₃), 0.83 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.5 Hz, 3H; CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=140.8 (Ar-C), 140.3 (Ar-C), 134.2 (Ar-C), 127.1 (Ar-C), 127.0 (Ar-C), 119.2 (Ar-C), 118.1 (Ar-C), 116.5 (Ar-C), 109.5 (Ar-C), 106.9 (Ar-C), 60.6 (N-CH), 44.8 (flanking CH₃), 44.3 (flanking CH₃), 26.5 (CH₂), 16.6 (CH₃), 9.7 (CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₁₆H₂₂N₃⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 256.1808, found: 256.1799.

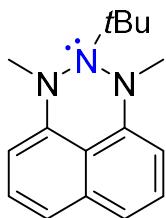
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¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.33 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.25 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.59 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.24 (quin, ³J_{H,H}=7.0 Hz, 1H; N-CH), 3.21 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃), 1.69-1.60 (m, 6H; CH₂), 1.41-1.32 (m, 2H; CH₂); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=140.8 (Ar-C), 134.4 (Ar-C), 127.3 (Ar-C), 118.8 (Ar-C), 116.7 (Ar-C), 108.6 (Ar-C), 66.1 (N-CH), 44.1 (flanking CH₃), 30.9 (CH₂), 23.9 (CH₂).

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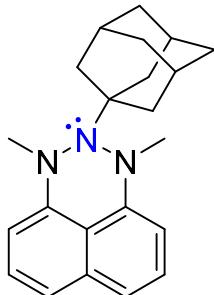
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-*tert*-butylnaphthotriazane **2g**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.29 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.17 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.61 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.30 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃), 0.97 (s, 9H; C(CH₃)₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=144.3 (Ar-C), 134.4 (Ar-C), 127.1 (Ar-C), 118.3 (Ar-C), 117.3 (Ar-C), 108.0 (Ar-C), 65.0 (N-C(CH₃)₃), 48.3 (flanking CH₃), 26.9 (C(CH₃)₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₁₆H₂₂N₃⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 256.1808, found: 256.1823.

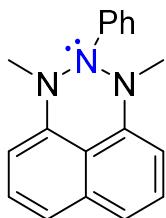
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-adamantylnaphthotriazane **2h**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.33-7.28 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 7.21-7.16 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 6.65-6.59 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 3.32 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃), 1.94-1.88 (m, 1H; adamantyl), 1.66-1.63 (m, 2H; adamantyl), 1.57-1.48 (m, 2H; adamantyl), 1.43-1.38 (m, 4H; adamantyl), 0.99 (s, 6H; adamantyl); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=144.3 (Ar-C), 134.4 (Ar-C), 127.1 (Ar-C), 118.3 (Ar-C), 117.3 (Ar-C), 108.1 (Ar-C), 65.0 (N-C), 48.4 (flanking CH₃), 40.0 (adamantyl), 37.0 (adamantyl), 30.1 (adamantyl), 26.9 (adamantyl).

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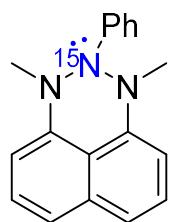
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¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.37 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.30 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.16-7.09 (m, 4H; Ar-H), 6.86-6.80 (m, 3H; Ar-H), 3.44 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=151.4 (Ar-C), 141.8 (Ar-C), 134.8 (Ar-C), 129.0 (Ar-C), 127.1 (Ar-C), 122.4 (Ar-C), 120.0 (Ar-C), 117.6 (Ar-C), 116.7 (Ar-C), 109.4 (Ar-C), 43.5 (flanking CH₃).

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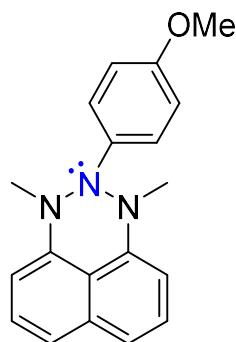
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¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.34 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.27 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.13-7.06 (m, 4H; Ar-H), 6.83-6.77 (m, 3H; Ar-H), 3.42 (d, ³J_{H,N}=3.5 Hz, 6H; flanking CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=151.4 (d, ¹J_{C,N}=8.5 Hz; Ar-C), 141.8 (Ar-C), 134.8 (Ar-C), 129.0 (Ar-C), 127.1 (Ar-C), 122.3 (Ar-C), 120.0 (Ar-C), 117.6 (d, ²J_{C,N}=2.9 Hz; Ar-C), 116.7 (d, ²J_{C,N}=1.5 Hz; Ar-C), 109.4 (Ar-C), 43.5 (d, ²J_{C,N}=4.3 Hz; flanking CH₃); **¹⁵N{¹H} NMR** (60 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=-225.8.

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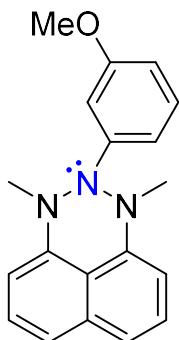
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¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.34 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.30 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.98 (d, ³J_{H,H}=9.2 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.77 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.64 (d, ³J_{H,H}=9.2 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.63 (s, 3H; O-CH₃), 3.39 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=155.4 (Ar-C), 144.6 (Ar-C), 141.7 (Ar-C), 134.7 (Ar-C), 127.1 (Ar-C), 119.9 (Ar-C), 118.9 (Ar-C), 116.7 (Ar-C), 114.2 (Ar-C), 109.3 (Ar-C), 55.7 (O-CH₃), 43.3 (flanking CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₁₉H₂₀N₃O⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 306.1601, found: 306.1629.

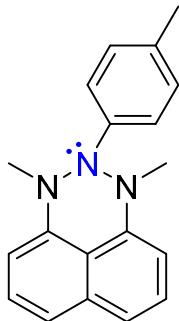
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-(3-methoxyphenyl)naphthotriazane **2k**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.33 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.27 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.00 (t, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.79 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.66-6.62 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 6.35 (ddd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.4 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 3.66 (s, 3H; O-CH₃), 3.40 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=160.6 (Ar-C), 153.0 (Ar-C), 141.9 (Ar-C), 134.9 (Ar-C), 129.7 (Ar-C), 127.1 (Ar-C), 120.0 (Ar-C), 116.7 (Ar-C), 110.0 (Ar-C), 109.4 (Ar-C), 107.3 (Ar-C), 104.1 (Ar-C), 55.4 (O-CH₃), 43.5 (flanking CH₃).

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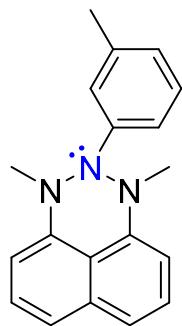
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-(4-tolyl)naphthotriazane **2l**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.36 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.28 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.98 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.7 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.93 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.7 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.80 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.42 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃), 2.17 (s, 3H; C-CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=149.0 (Ar-C), 141.9 (Ar-C), 134.8 (Ar-C), 131.9 (Ar-C), 129.5 (Ar-C), 127.1 (Ar-C), 119.9 (Ar-C), 117.7 (Ar-C), 116.7 (Ar-C), 109.3 (Ar-C), 43.3 (flanking CH₃), 20.5 (C-CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₁₉H₂₀N₃⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 290.1652, found: 290.1676.

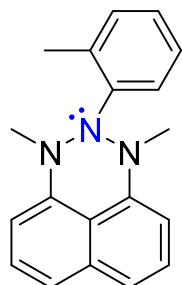
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-(3-tolyl)naphthotriazane **2m**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.37 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.30 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.01 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.9 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.98-6.95 (m, 1H; Ar-H), 6.86 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.0 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.82 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.67 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 3.43 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃), 2.24 (s, 3H; C-CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=151.4 (Ar-C), 141.9 (Ar-C), 139.0 (Ar-C), 134.9 (Ar-C), 128.8 (Ar-C), 127.1 (Ar-C), 123.2 (Ar-C), 120.0 (Ar-C), 118.4 (Ar-C), 116.7 (Ar-C), 114.5 (Ar-C), 109.4 (Ar-C), 43.5 (flanking CH₃), 21.8 (C-CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₁₉H₂₀N₃⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 290.1652, found: 290.1663.

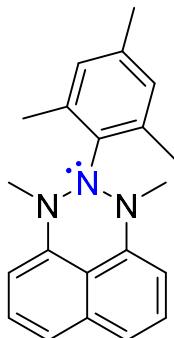
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-(2-tolyl)naphthotriazane **2n**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.39 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.3 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.35 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=1.0 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.17 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.85 (td, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=1.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.79 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.7 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.71 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=7.3 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=1.0 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.49 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.1 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=1.0 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 3.28 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃), 2.55 (s, 3H; C-CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=146.8 (Ar-C), 142.2 (Ar-C), 134.5 (Ar-C), 133.1 (Ar-C), 132.1 (Ar-C), 127.4 (Ar-C), 125.6 (Ar-C), 123.9 (Ar-C), 119.9 (Ar-C), 117.7 (Ar-C), 116.3 (Ar-C), 108.3 (Ar-C), 42.1 (flanking CH₃), 19.9 (C-CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₁₉H₂₀N₃⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 290.1652, found: 290.1672.

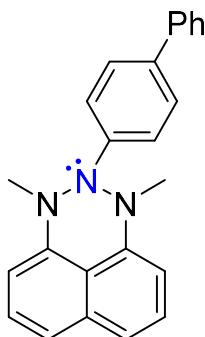
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-mesitylnaphthotriazane **2o**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.40-7.35 (m, 4H; Ar-H), 6.74 (s, 2H; Ar-H), 6.66 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=6.7 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=1.6 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.23 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃), 2.21 (s, 3H; C-CH₃), 2.05 (s, 6H; C-CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=143.9 (Ar-C), 143.8 (Ar-C), 135.1 (Ar-C), 133.8 (Ar-C), 132.2 (Ar-C), 131.1 (Ar-C), 127.3 (Ar-C), 119.5 (Ar-C), 116.3 (Ar-C), 108.5 (Ar-C), 44.3 (flanking CH₃), 21.8 (C-CH₃), 20.5 (C-CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₂₁H₂₄N₃⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 318.1965, found: 318.1992.

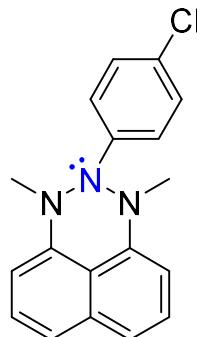
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-(4-biphenyl)naphthotriazane **2p**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.42 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.36-7.31 (m, 6H; Ar-H), 7.28 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.23 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.14 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.80 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.45 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=150.4 (Ar-C), 141.6 (Ar-C), 141.0 (Ar-C), 135.0 (Ar-C), 134.6 (Ar-C), 128.7 (Ar-C), 127.6 (Ar-C), 127.3 (Ar-C), 126.8 (Ar-C), 126.7 (Ar-C), 120.0 (Ar-C), 117.7 (Ar-C), 116.6 (Ar-C), 109.2 (Ar-C), 43.6 (flanking CH₃).

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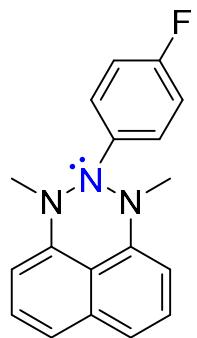
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-(4-chlorophenyl)naphthotriazane **2q**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.35 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.30 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.09-7.01 (m, 4H; Ar-H), 6.81 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.41 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=150.2 (Ar-C), 141.5 (Ar-C), 134.8 (Ar-C), 128.9 (Ar-C), 127.1 (Ar-C), 127.0 (Ar-C), 120.3 (Ar-C), 119.0 (Ar-C), 116.6 (Ar-C), 109.8 (Ar-C), 43.6 (flanking CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₁₈H₁₇CIN₃⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 310.1106, found: 310.1144.

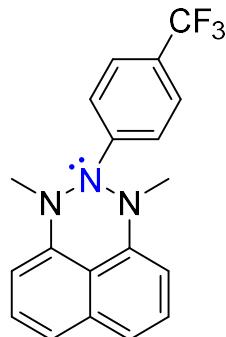
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-(4-fluorophenyl)naphthotriazane **2r**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.30 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.3 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.25 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.9 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.02-6.97 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 6.78-6.71 (m, 4H; Ar-H), 3.36 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=158.3 (d, ¹J_{C,F}=240.2 Hz; Ar-C-F), 147.0 (d, ⁴J_{C,F}=2.4 Hz; Ar-C), 141.2 (Ar-C), 134.5 (Ar-C), 126.8 (Ar-C), 120.1 (Ar-C), 118.7 (d, ³J_{C,F}=7.7 Hz; Ar-C), 116.5 (Ar-C), 115.3 (d, ²J_{C,F}=22.4 Hz; Ar-C), 109.3 (Ar-C), 43.4 (flanking CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₁₈H₁₇FN₃⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 294.1401, found: 294.1429.

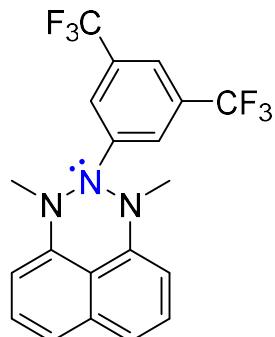
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)naphthotriazane **2s**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.33-7.29 (m, 4H; Ar-H), 7.27 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=1 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.14 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.5 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.78 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=7.3 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=1 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.40 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=154.0 (q, ⁴J_{C,F}=1.2 Hz; Ar-C), 141.3 (Ar-C), 134.6 (Ar-C), 126.8 (Ar-C), 126.2 (q, ³J_{C,F}=3.8 Hz; Ar-C), 124.5 (q, ¹J_{C,F}=271.2 Hz; Ar-C), 123.8 (q, ²J_{C,F}=32.2 Hz; Ar-C), 120.5 (Ar-C), 117.0 (Ar-C), 116.5 (Ar-C), 109.7 (Ar-C), 43.8 (flanking CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₁₉H₁₇F₃N₃⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 344.1369, found: 344.1398.

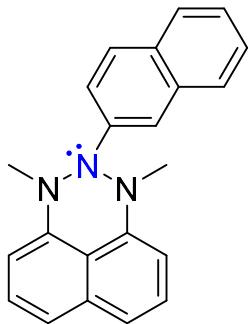
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-(3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)naphthotriazane **2t**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.65 (s, 2H; Ar-H), 7.42-7.32 (m, 5H; Ar-H), 7.14 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.5 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.95 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=7.2 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=1.1 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.49 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=153.3 (Ar-C), 141.1 (Ar-C), 135.0 (Ar-C), 132.3 (q, ²J_{C,F}=32.9 Hz; Ar-C), 127.2 (Ar-C), 124.0 (q, ¹J_{C,F}=272.7 Hz; Ar-C), 121.2 (Ar-C), 117.3 (m, Ar-C), 116.7 (Ar-C), 115.6 (m, Ar-C), 111.1 (Ar-C), 44.6 (flanking CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₂₀H₁₆F₆N₃⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 412.1243, found: 412.1280.

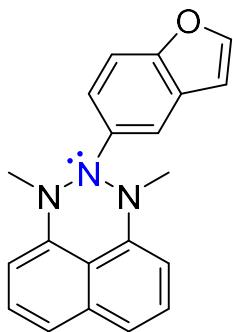
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-(2-naphthyl)naphthotriazane **2u**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.70-7.65 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 7.62-7.56 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 7.38 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.34 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.5 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.30-7.25 (m, 3H; Ar-H), 7.19 (s, 1H; Ar-H), 6.88 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.50 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=148.7 (Ar-C), 141.8 (Ar-C), 134.8 (Ar-C), 134.1 (Ar-C), 130.1 (Ar-C), 129.0 (Ar-C), 127.6 (Ar-C), 127.4 (Ar-C), 127.2 (Ar-C), 126.4 (Ar-C), 124.4 (Ar-C), 120.1 (Ar-C), 120.0 (Ar-C), 116.8 (Ar-C), 112.6 (Ar-C), 109.5 (Ar-C), 43.5 (flanking CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₂₂H₂₀N₃⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 326.1652, found: 326.1620.

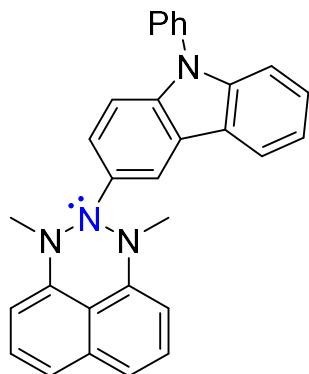
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-(5-benzofuranyl)naphthotriazane **2v**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=7.51 (d, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.1 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.36 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.30-7.27 (m, 3H; Ar-H), 7.23 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=9.0 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.17 (d, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.83 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.61 (d, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.0 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 3.46 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₂Cl₂): δ(ppm)=151.4 (Ar-C), 147.1 (Ar-C), 145.9 (Ar-C), 141.8 (Ar-C), 134.8 (Ar-C), 127.7 (Ar-C), 127.2 (Ar-C), 119.9 (Ar-C), 116.8 (Ar-C), 116.1 (Ar-C), 111.5 (Ar-C), 109.4 (Ar-C), 109.0 (Ar-C), 107.0 (Ar-C), 43.5 (flanking CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₂₀H₁₈N₃O⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 316.1444, found: 316.1402.

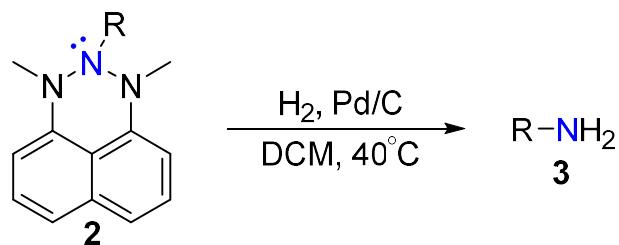
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-(3-(9-phenyl)carbazolyl)naphthotriazane **2w**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.95 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.8 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.66 (d, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.1 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.47 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.7 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.39 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.33 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.30-7.25 (m, 4H; Ar-H), 7.21-7.18 (m, 3H; Ar-H), 7.16-7.11 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 6.77 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.45 (s, 6H; flanking CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=144.5 (Ar-C), 141.7 (Ar-C), 141.3 (Ar-C), 138.0 (Ar-C), 137.1 (Ar-C), 134.5 (Ar-C), 129.8 (Ar-C), 127.2 (Ar-C), 127.0 (Ar-C), 126.9 (Ar-C), 125.8 (Ar-C), 123.5 (Ar-C), 123.4 (Ar-C), 120.3 (Ar-C), 119.8 (Ar-C), 119.5 (Ar-C), 117.6 (Ar-C), 116.7 (Ar-C), 110.0 (Ar-C), 109.8 (Ar-C), 109.0 (Ar-C), 108.9 (Ar-C), 43.5 (flanking CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₃₀H₂₇N₄⁺ [(M+3H)⁺]: 443.2219, found: 443.2195.

General procedure for the hydrogenolysis of triazanes to generate primary amines:



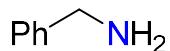
Scheme S2. Hydrogenolysis of triazanes.

Within a glovebox containing nitrogen atmosphere, in a vial, each triazane (0.2 mmol) was dissolved in 0.7 ml of DCM and Pd/C (0.002 g, 10 mol%) was added to the solution. Toluene (0.0212 ml, 0.2 mmol) was then added as an internal standard for measurement of the yield by ¹H NMR. This solution was then transferred into a Schlenk tube containing a stirring magnet. The Schlenk tube was then sealed, removed from the glovebox, cooled to -78°C, and then the N₂ atmosphere was quickly evacuated by vacuum and replaced with H₂ gas (1 bar). The reaction

mixture was then stirred at 40°C for 2 hours. For volatile amines (**3a-b**, **3d-g**), CD₂Cl₂ was used instead of non-deuterated DCM, and the yield was measured directly by ¹H NMR. For all the other amines which were separated, the reaction mixture was then passed through a small column of Celite using DCM as the eluent. The solvent was evaporated, and the product was isolated by preparative TLC (silica), using Hexane/EtOAc (7:3).

The following are the NMR spectra of the amines we isolated:

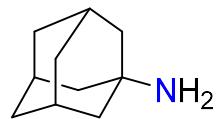
Benzylamine **3c**



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.37-7.29 (m, 4H; Ar-H), 7.28-7.22 (m, 1H; Ar-H), 3.87 (s, 2H; CH₂), 1.42 (bs, 2H; NH₂); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=143.4 (Ar-C), 128.6 (Ar-C), 127.1 (Ar-C), 126.8 (Ar-C), 46.6 (CH₂).

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₇H₁₀N⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 108.0808, found: 108.0813.

1-Adamantylamine (Amantadine) **3h**



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=2.04 (s, 3H; adamantyl), 1.68-1.52 (m, 12H; adamantyl), 0.90-1.25 (bs, 2H; NH₂); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=47.4 (adamantyl C-N), 46.4 (adamantyl), 36.4 (adamantyl), 29.9 (adamantyl).

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₁₀H₁₈N⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 152.1434, found: 152.1439.

Aniline **3i**



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.22 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.4 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.82 (tt, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=1.0 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.72 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.4 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=1.0 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.62 (bs, 2H; NH₂); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=146.4 (Ar-C-N), 129.3 (Ar-C), 118.5 (Ar-C), 115.1 (Ar-C).

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₆H₈N⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 94.0651, found: 94.0657.

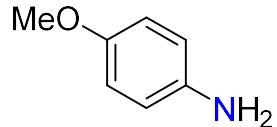
Aniline-¹⁵N **3i'**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.19 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.4 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.79 (tt, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=1.0 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.71 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.56 (bs, 2H; ¹⁵NH₂); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=146.5 (d, ¹J_{C,N}=10.8 Hz, Ar-C-¹⁵N), 129.4 (d, ³J_{C,N}=1.1 Hz, Ar-C), 118.6 (Ar-C), 115.2 (d, ²J_{C,N}=2.7 Hz, Ar-C); **¹⁵N{¹H} NMR** (60 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=-325.4.

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₆H₈¹⁵N⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 95.0622, found: 95.0628.

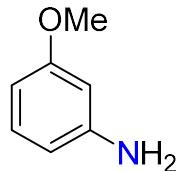
4-Methoxyaniline (p-anisidine) **3j**



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=6.75 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.65 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.75 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.32 (bs, 2H; NH₂); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=152.9 (Ar-C), 140.0 (Ar-C), 116.5 (Ar-C), 114.9 (Ar-C), 55.8 (OCH₃).

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₇H₁₀NO⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 124.0757, found: 124.0762.

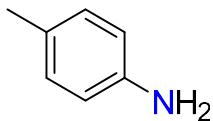
3-Methoxyaniline (m-anisidine) **3k**



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.08 (t, ³J_{H,H}=8.1 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.35 (ddd, ³J_{H,H}=8.1 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.3 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.31 (ddd, ³J_{H,H}=7.9 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.1 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.26 (t, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 3.78 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 3.69 (bs, 2H; NH₂); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=160.8 (Ar-C), 147.9 (Ar-C), 130.1 (Ar-C), 107.9 (Ar-C), 103.9 (Ar-C), 101.1 (Ar-C), 55.1 (OCH₃).

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₇H₁₀NO⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 124.0757, found: 124.0763.

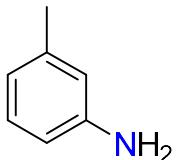
4-Methylaniline (p-toluidine) **3l**



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.00 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.63 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.46 (bs, 2H; NH₂), 2.27 (s, 3H; CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=143.9 (Ar-C), 129.8 (Ar-C), 127.8 (Ar-C), 115.3 (Ar-C), 20.5 (CH₃).

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₇H₁₀N⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 108.0808, found: 108.0812.

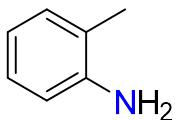
3-Methylaniline (m-toluidine) **3m**



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.13 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.6 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.67 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.6 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.59-6.53 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 3.61 (bs, 2H; NH₂), 2.35 (s, 3H; CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=146.4 (Ar-C), 139.1 (Ar-C), 129.2 (Ar-C), 119.4 (Ar-C), 115.9 (Ar-C), 112.2 (Ar-C), 21.4 (CH₃).

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₇H₁₀N⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 108.0808, found: 108.0813.

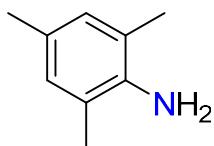
2-Methylaniline (o-toluidine) **3n**



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.17-7.11 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 6.82 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.75 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 3.61 (bs, 2H; NH₂), 2.25 (s, 3H; CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=144.6 (Ar-C), 130.4 (Ar-C), 127.0 (Ar-C), 122.3 (Ar-C), 118.6 (Ar-C), 114.9 (Ar-C), 17.3 (CH₃).

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₇H₁₀N⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 108.0808, found: 108.0813.

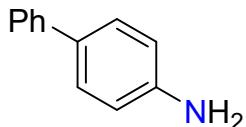
2,4,6-Trimethylaniline (mesitylamine) **3o**



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=6.84 (s, 2H; Ar-H), 3.50 (bs, 2H; NH₂), 2.28 (s, 3H; CH₃), 2.22 (s, 6H; CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=140.2 (Ar-C), 128.9 (Ar-C), 127.2 (Ar-C), 121.9 (Ar-C), 20.4 (CH₃), 17.6 (CH₃).

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₉H₁₄N⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 136.1121, found: 136.1125.

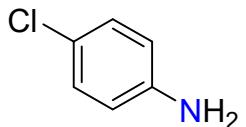
4-Aminobiphenyl (4-phenylaniline) **3p**



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.55 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.8 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.46-7.38 (m, 4H; Ar-H), 7.28 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.77 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.73 (bs, 2H; NH₂); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=146.0 (Ar-C), 141.3 (Ar-C), 131.7 (Ar-C), 128.8 (Ar-C), 128.1 (Ar-C), 126.5 (Ar-C), 126.4 (Ar-C), 115.5 (Ar-C).

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₁₂H₁₂N⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 170.0964, found: 170.0970.

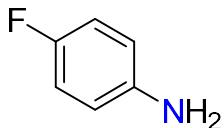
4-Chloroaniline **3q**



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.10 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.7 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.60 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.7 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.61 (bs, 2H; NH₂); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=145.1 (Ar-C), 129.2 (Ar-C), 123.2 (Ar-C), 116.3 (Ar-C).

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₆H₇ClN⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 128.0262, found: 128.0269.

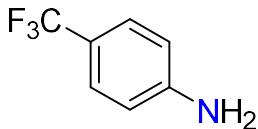
4-Fluoroaniline **3r**



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=6.86 (t, ³J_{H,H}=³J_{H,F}=8.7 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.61 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.7 Hz, ⁴J_{H,F}=4.5 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.51 (bs, 2H; NH₂); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=156.5 (d, ¹J_{C,F}=235.4 Hz, Ar-C-F), 142.5 (d, ⁴J_{C,F}=2.1 Hz, Ar-C), 116.1 (d, ³J_{C,F}=7.6 Hz, Ar-C), 115.7 (d, ²J_{C,F}=22.4 Hz, Ar-C); **¹⁹F{¹H} NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=−126.87.

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₆H₇FN⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 112.0557, found: 112.0563.

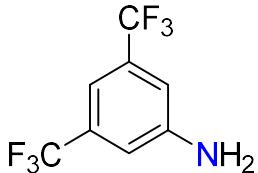
4-Trifluoromethylaniline **3s**



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.40 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.69 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 3.94 (bs, 2H; NH₂); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=149.5 (Ar-C), 126.8 (q, ³J_{C,F}=3.8 Hz, Ar-C), 125.0 (q, ¹J_{C,F}=270.5 Hz, Ar-C), 120.2 (q, ²J_{C,F}=32.5 Hz, Ar-C), 114.3 (Ar-C); **¹⁹F{¹H} NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=−61.20.

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₇H₇F₃N⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 162.0525, found: 162.0531.

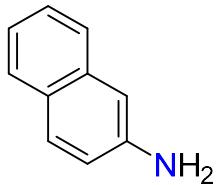
3,5-Bis(trifluoromethyl)aniline **3t**



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.21 (s, 1H; Ar-H), 7.03 (s, 2H; Ar-H), 4.07 (bs, 2H; NH₂); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=147.5 (Ar-C), 132.7 (q, ²J_{C,F}=32.9 Hz, Ar-C), 123.6 (q, ¹J_{C,F}=272.3 Hz, Ar-C), 114.3 (m, Ar-C), 111.7 (sept, ³J_{C,F}=4.0 Hz, Ar-C); **¹⁹F{¹H} NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=−63.35.

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₈H₆F₆N⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 230.0399, found: 162.0402.

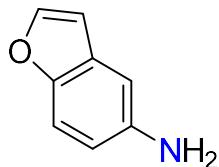
2-Naphthylamine **3u**



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.29 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.26 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.6 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.19 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.97 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.5 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.85-6.80 (m, 1H; Ar-H), 6.59-6.56 (m, 1H; Ar-H), 6.54 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.6 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 3.41 (bs, 2H; NH₂); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=144.2 (Ar-C), 135.0 (Ar-C), 129.3 (Ar-C), 128.1 (Ar-C), 127.8 (Ar-C), 126.5 (Ar-C), 125.9 (Ar-C), 122.6 (Ar-C), 118.3 (Ar-C), 108.7 (Ar-C).

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₁₀H₁₀N⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 144.0808, found: 144.0812.

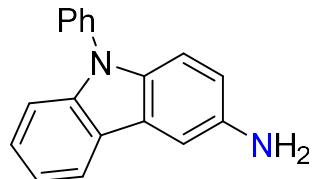
5-Benzofurylamine **3v**



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.48 (d, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.1 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.23 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.6 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.81 (d, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.63 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.6 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.57-6.54 (m, 1H; Ar-H), 3.56 (bs, 2H; NH₂); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=145.6 (Ar-C), 142.1 (Ar-C), 132.6 (Ar-C), 128.4 (Ar-C), 113.7 (Ar-C), 111.7 (Ar-C), 106.2 (Ar-C), 106.1 (Ar-C).

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₈H₈NO⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 134.0600, found: 134.0607.

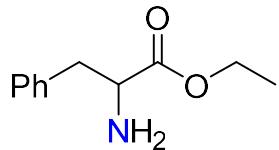
3-Amino-9-phenylcarbazole 3w



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=8.04 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.7 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.60-7.54 (m, 4H; Ar-H), 7.46 (d, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.1 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.43 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.1 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.41-7.35 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 7.25 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.0 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.22 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.85 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.6 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=2.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 3.67 (bs, 2H; NH₂); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=141.3 (Ar-C), 140.0 (Ar-C), 138.3 (Ar-C), 135.5 (Ar-C), 129.9 (Ar-C), 127.1 (Ar-C), 127.0 (Ar-C), 125.9 (Ar-C), 124.4 (Ar-C), 123.2 (Ar-C), 120.4 (Ar-C), 119.4 (Ar-C), 115.8 (Ar-C), 110.6 (Ar-C), 109.8 (Ar-C), 106.0 (Ar-C).

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₁₈H₁₅N₂⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 259.1230, found: 259.1236.

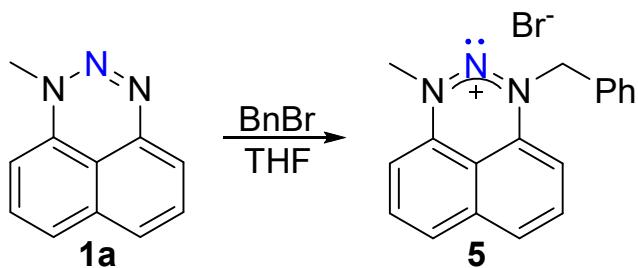
Phenylalanine ethyl ester 3x



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.30 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.23 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.19 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 4.16 (q, ³J_{H,H}=7.1 Hz, 2H; O-CH₂), 3.71 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=7.3 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=5.8 Hz, 1H; N-CH), 3.08 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=13.5 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=5.3 Hz, 1H; Ph-CH₂), 2.86 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=13.5 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.9 Hz, 1H; Ph-CH₂), 1.44 (bs, 2H; NH₂), 1.24 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.1 Hz, 3H; CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=175.2 (C=O), 137.4 (Ar-C), 129.4 (Ar-C), 128.6 (Ar-C), 126.9 (Ar-C), 61.0 (O-CH₂), 56.0 (N-CH), 41.3 (Ph-CH₂), 14.3 (CH₃).

HRMS (ESI+): calc. for C₁₁H₁₆NO₂⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 194.1176, found: 194.1181.

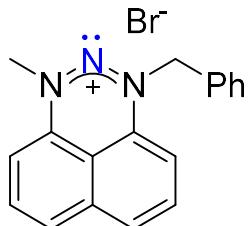
Preparation of recyclable NHN 5:



Scheme S3. Preparation of NHN 5.

In a round-bottom flask, triazine **1a** (0.9161 g, 5 mmol) was dissolved in THF (10 ml) and then benzyl bromide (2.97 ml, 25 mmol) was added. A reflux condenser was installed and then the mixture was stirred at 60°C for 16 hours. The solvent was evaporated, and the product was isolated using column chromatography (DCM:MeOH – 9:1, 1.4878g, 4.2mmol, 84% yield).

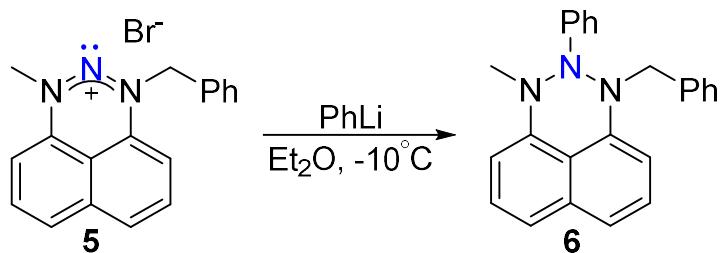
1N-Methyl-3N-benzyl-naphthotriazinium bromide 5



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₃OD): δ (ppm)=7.69-7.64 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.62 (d, $^3J_{H,H}$ =8.5 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.55 (t, $^3J_{H,H}$ =8.1 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.49-7.45 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 7.44-7.39 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 7.16 (d, $^3J_{H,H}$ =7.7 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.04 (d, $^3J_{H,H}$ =7.7 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 5.56 (s, 2H; CH₂), 4.02 (s, 3H; CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CD₃OD): δ (ppm)=135.4 (Ar-C), 132.5 (Ar-C), 132.2 (Ar-C), 131.5 (Ar-C), 130.5 (Ar-C), 130.4 (Ar-C), 130.1 (Ar-C), 129.9 (Ar-C), 129.3 (Ar-C), 127.8 (Ar-C), 127.3 (Ar-C), 124.1 (Ar-C), 109.8 (Ar-C), 109.6 (Ar-C), 61.4 (CH₂), 45.1 (CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₁₈H₁₆N₃⁺ [M⁺]: 274.1339, found: 274.1317.

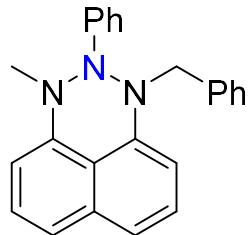
Preparation of triazane 6:



Scheme S4. Preparation of triazane 6.

Triazane 6 was prepared using the general procedure for the preparation of triazanes, using NHN 5 as the starting material instead of NHN 1.

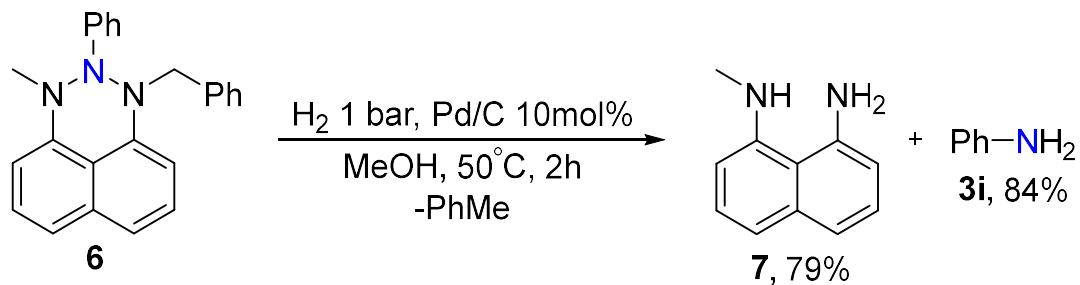
1*N*-Methyl-2*N*-phenyl-3*N*-benzyl-naphthotriazane 6



¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.52 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.3 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 7.37-7.32 (m, 4H; Ar-H), 7.30-7.27 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 7.20 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.3 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.05-7.02 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 6.98 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.2 Hz, 2H; Ar-H), 6.88 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=7.3 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=0.8 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.74 (t, ³J_{H,H}=7.2 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.65 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.4 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 4.65 (d, ³J_{H,H}=14.1 Hz, 1H; CH₂), 4.36 (d, ³J_{H,H}=14.1 Hz, 1H; CH₂), 3.40 (s, 3H; CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=150.9 (Ar-C), 141.5 (Ar-C), 140.8 (Ar-C), 138.5 (Ar-C), 134.6 (Ar-C), 129.2 (Ar-C), 128.7 (Ar-C), 128.5 (Ar-C), 127.5 (Ar-C), 126.9 (Ar-C), 126.7 (Ar-C), 122.0 (Ar-C), 121.9 (Ar-C), 118.1 (Ar-C), 117.4 (Ar-C), 116.9 (Ar-C), 113.0 (Ar-C), 105.3 (Ar-C), 60.8 (CH₂), 41.3 (CH₃).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for C₂₄H₂₂N₃⁺ [(M+H)⁺]: 352.1808, found: 352.1789.

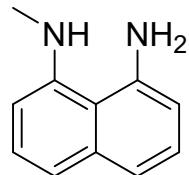
Hydrogenolysis of triazane **6** to generate aniline **3i** and *N*-methyl-1,8-diaminonaphthalene **7**:



Scheme S5. Hydrogenolysis of triazane **6**.

This reaction was performed according to the general procedure for the hydrogenolysis of triazanes, with a few differences: MeOH was used as the solvent (instead of DCM), and the reaction was stirred at 50°C (instead of 40°C) for 2h.

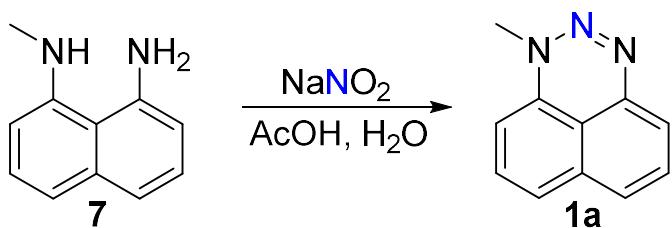
N-methyl-1,8-diaminonaphthalene **7**



$^1\text{H NMR}$ (600 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta(\text{ppm})=7.29\text{-}7.24$ (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.19-7.13 (m, 2H; Ar-H), 6.62 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}=7.3$ Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 6.51 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}}=7.6$ Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 4.96 (m, 3H; NH+NH_2), 2.88 (s, 3H; CH_3); **$^{13}\text{C}\{\text{H}\}$ NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta(\text{ppm})=147.8$ (Ar-C), 143.8 (Ar-C), 136.9 (Ar-C), 126.8 (Ar-C), 126.0 (Ar-C), 120.7 (Ar-C), 118.2 (Ar-C), 117.2 (Ar-C), 112.9 (Ar-C), 105.2 (Ar-C), 31.7 (CH_3).

HRMS (APCI): calc. for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{13}\text{N}_2^+$ $[(\text{M}+\text{H})^+]$: 173.1073, found: 173.1089.

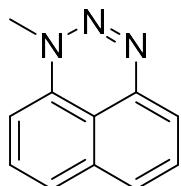
Preparation (recycling) of triazine **1a** from *N*-methyl-1,8-diaminonaphthalene **7**:



Scheme S6. Preparation of triazine **1a**.

A round bottom flask was loaded with compound **7** (0.02 g, 0.116 mmol) and then water (3 ml) and acetic acid (3 ml) were added. The mixture was cooled to 0°C while stirring, and then a solution of NaNO₂ (0.01 g, 0.145 mmol) in water (1 ml) was added dropwise. The solution was stirred for 3h while allowing it to reach room temperature. The solution was carefully quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (10 ml) and the product was extracted with DCM (20 ml x 3). The solvent was evaporated and the product was purified by column chromatography (Hexane:EtOAc=4:1; 0.0196 g, 0.107 mmol, 92% yield).

1*N*-methylnaphthotriazine **1a**

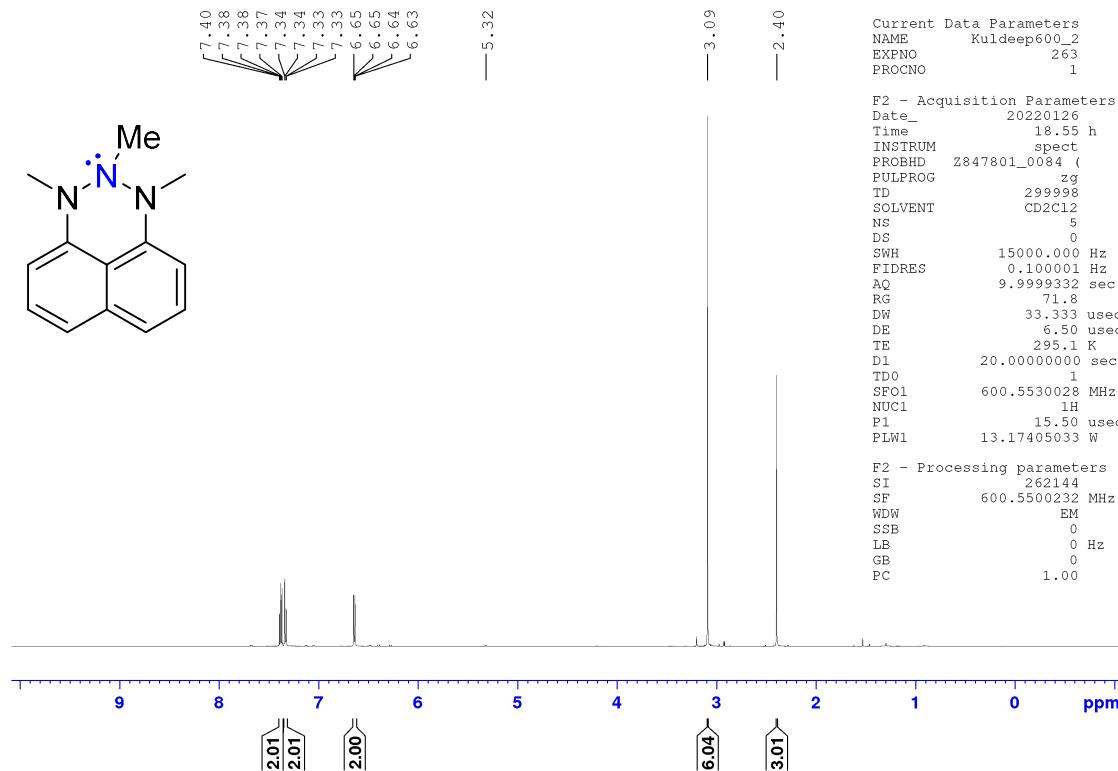


¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=7.35-7.29 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.17 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=8.5 Hz, ³J_{H,H}=7.5 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.12 (dd, ³J_{H,H}=6.8 Hz, ⁴J_{H,H}=1.4 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 7.10 (d, ³J_{H,H}=8.5 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 5.99 (d, ³J_{H,H}=7.5 Hz, 1H; Ar-H), 3.56 (s, 3H; CH₃); **¹³C{¹H} NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm)=138.8 (Ar-C), 134.3 (Ar-C), 133.9 (Ar-C), 129.2 (Ar-C), 128.6 (Ar-C), 124.1 (Ar-C), 119.6 (Ar-C), 118.9 (Ar-C), 115.9 (Ar-C), 98.0 (Ar-C), 39.4 (CH₃).

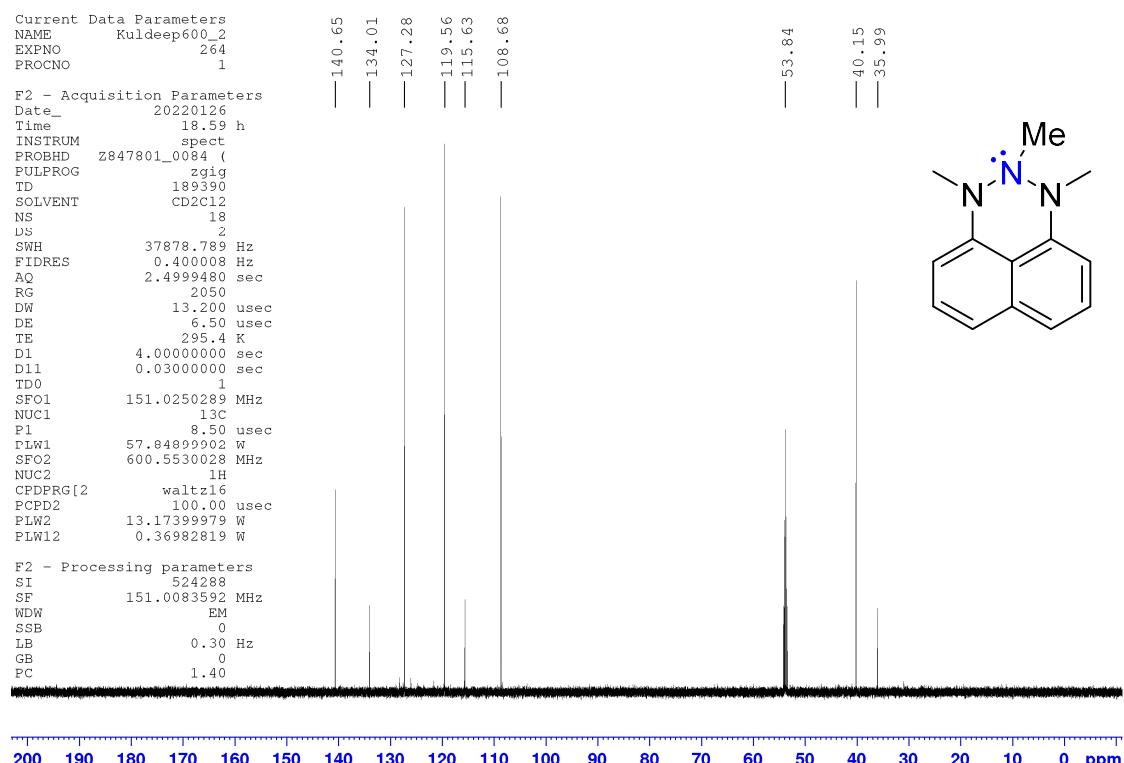
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3. NMR spectra

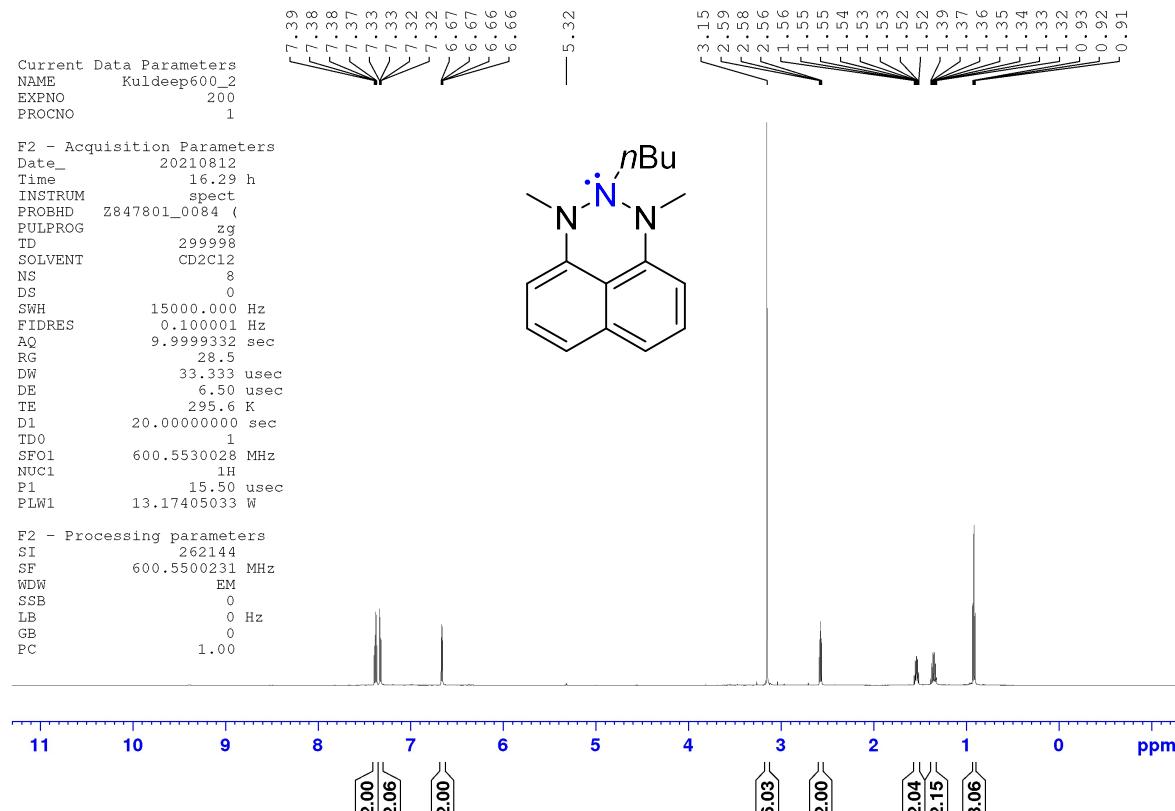
1N,2N,3N-Trimethylnaphthotriazane 2a – ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CD_2Cl_2):



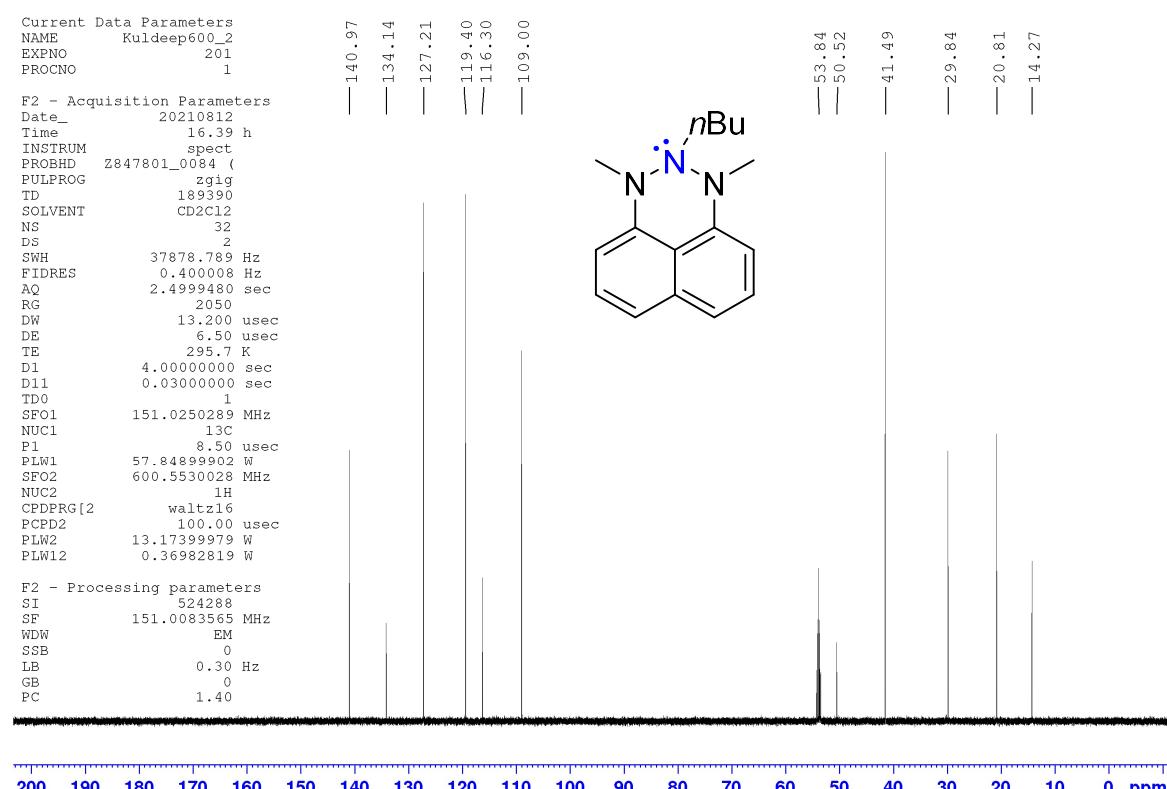
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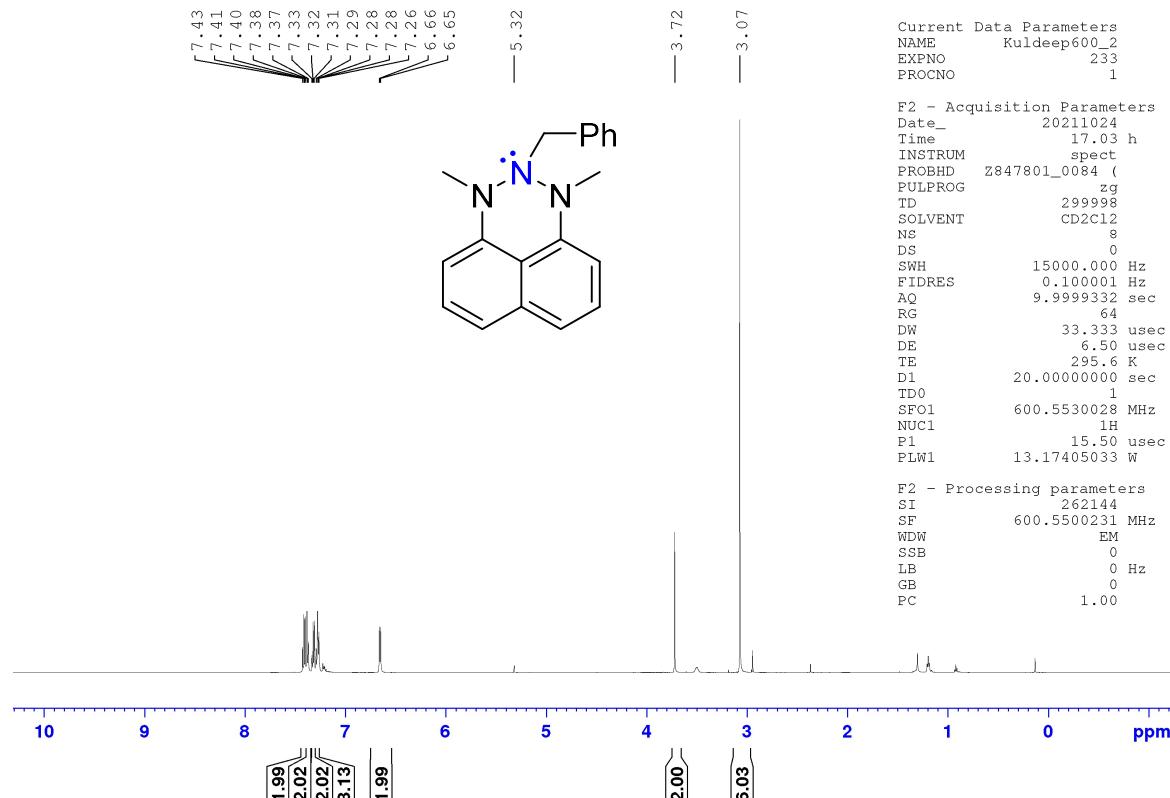
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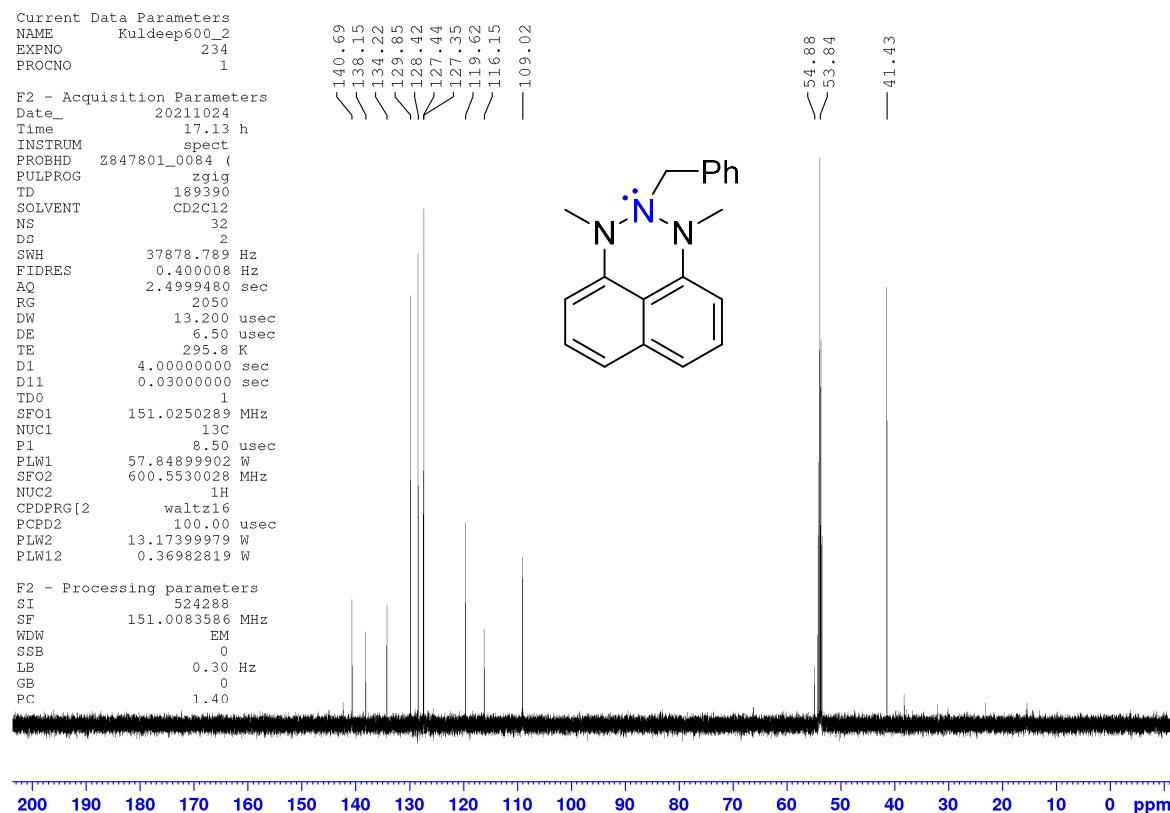
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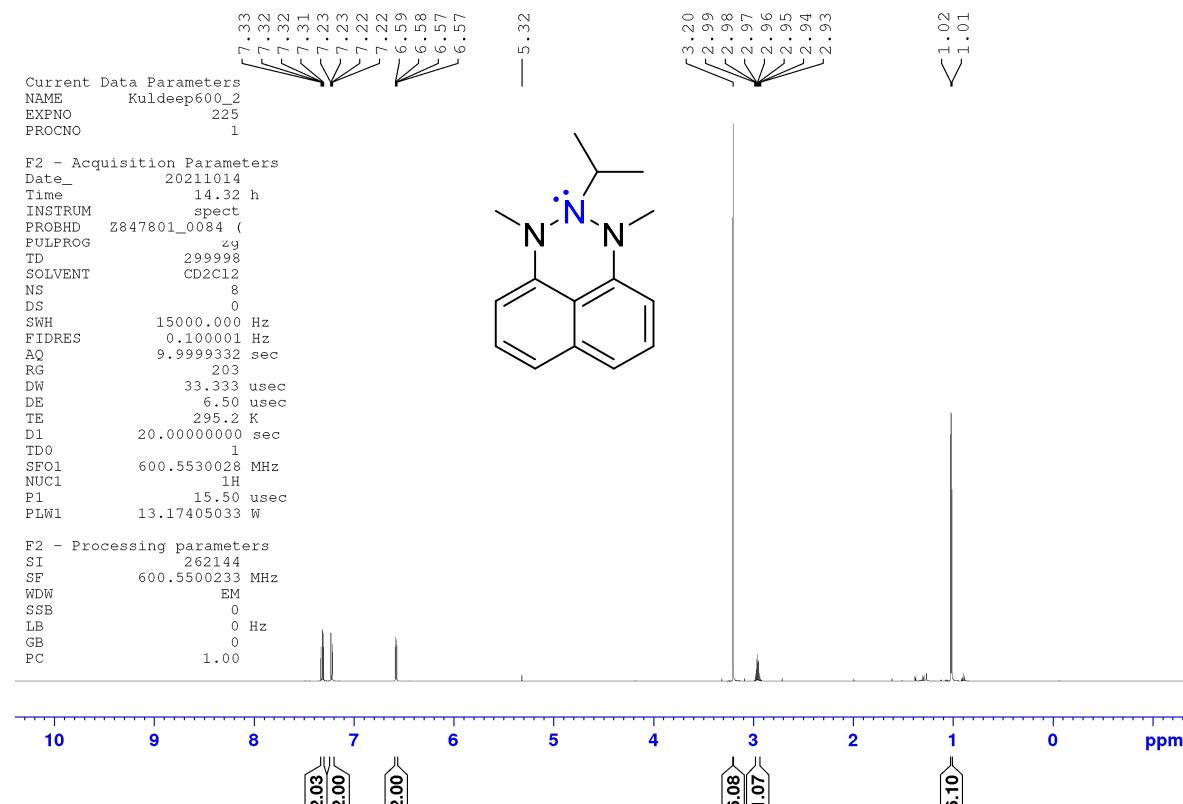
1*N*,3*N*-Dimethyl-2*N*-benzylnaphthotriazane **2c – ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CD_2Cl_2):**



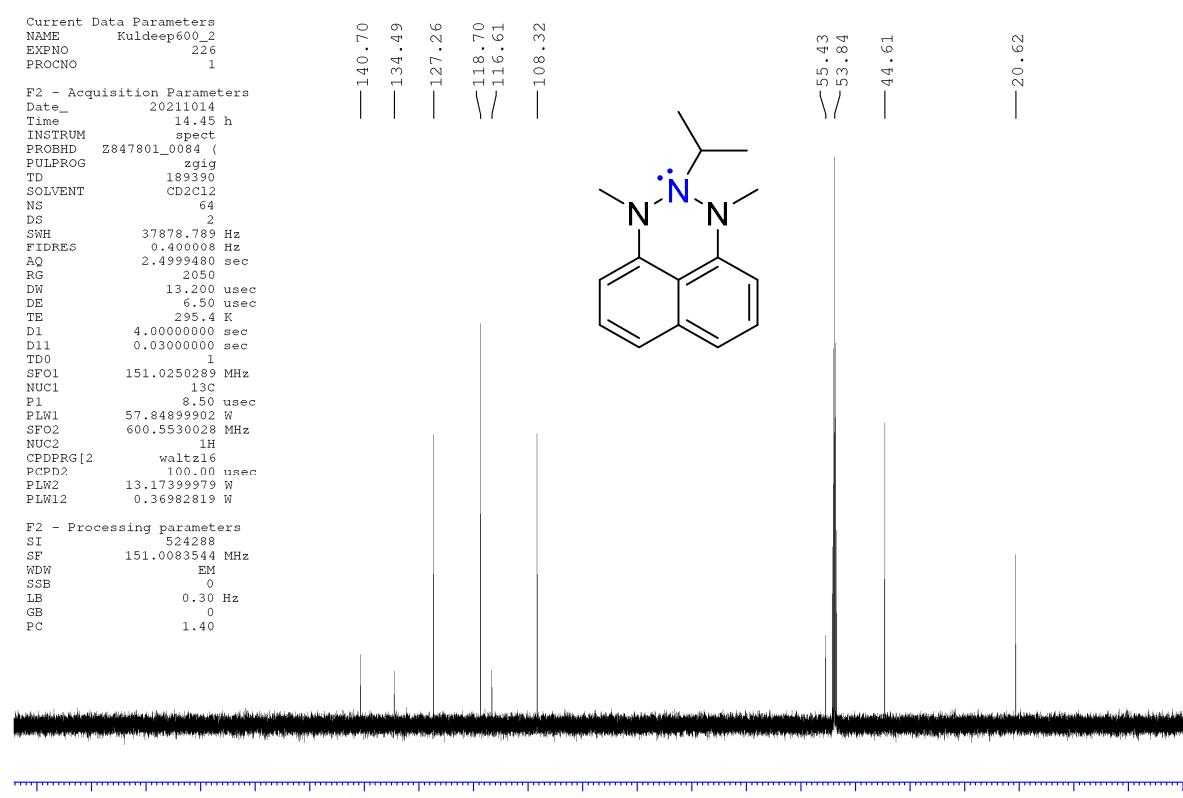
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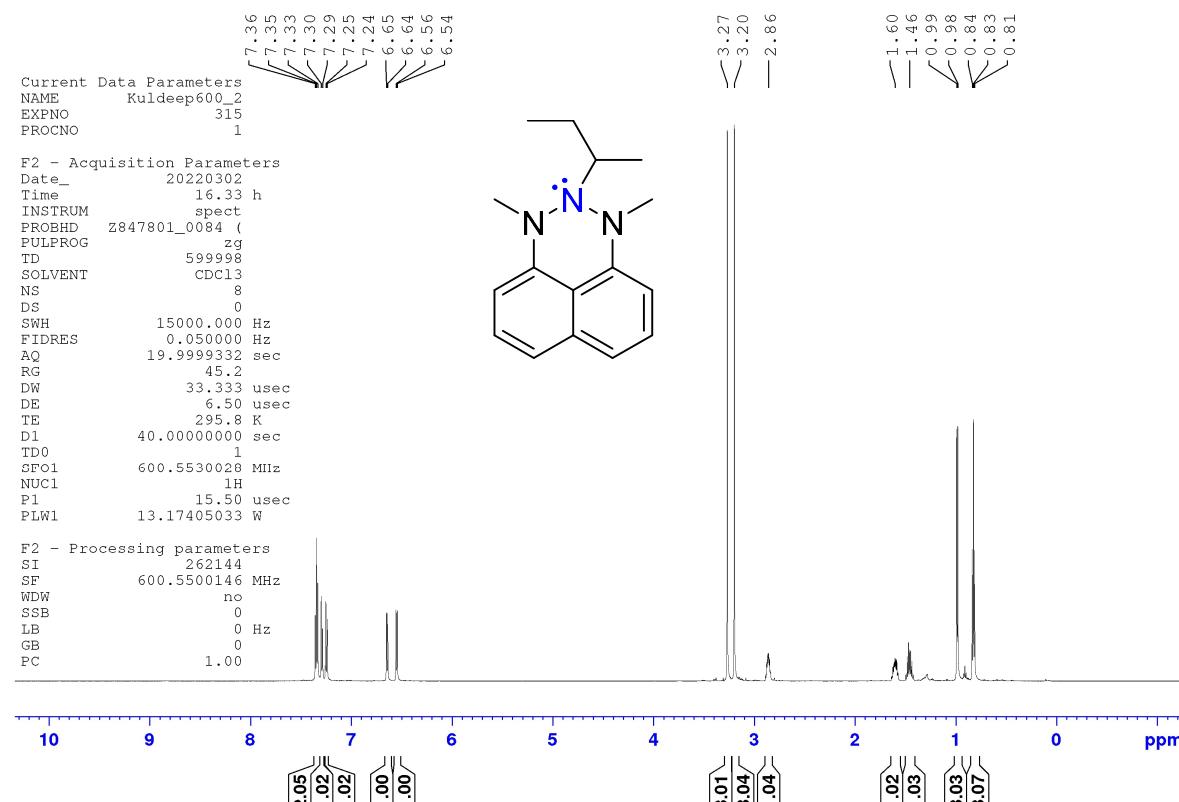
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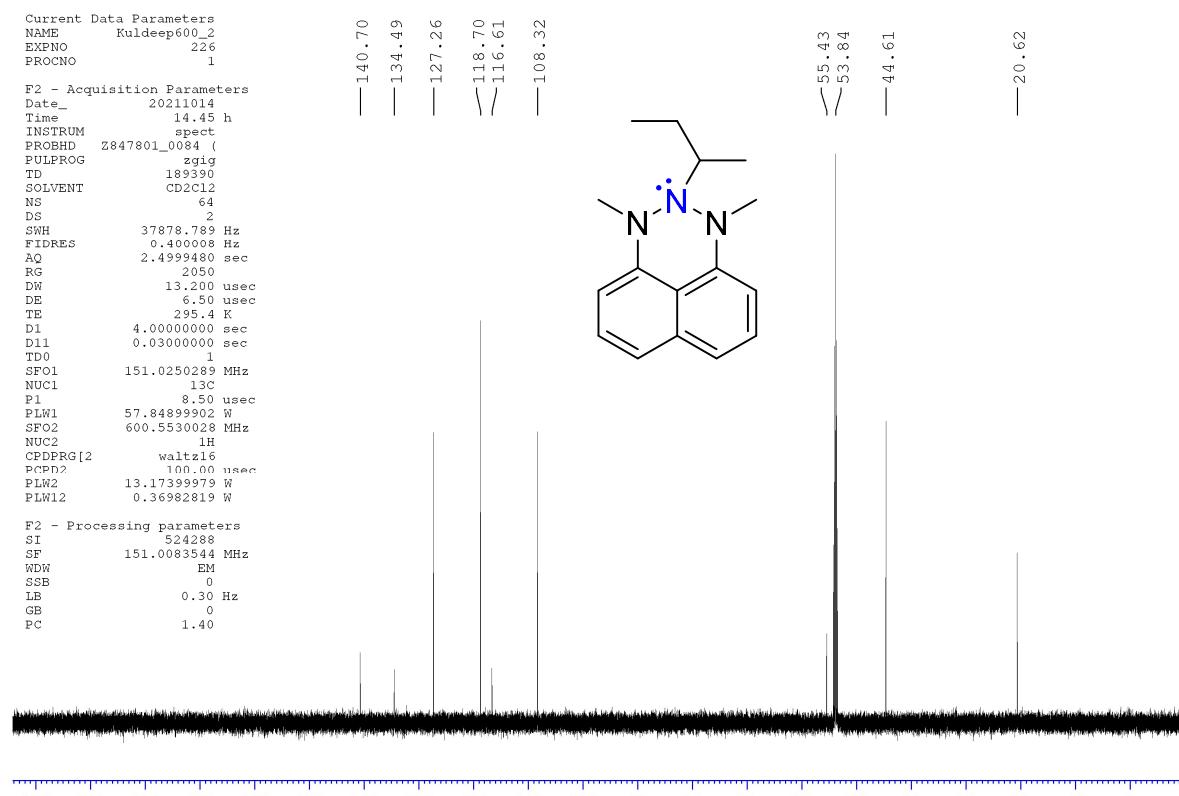
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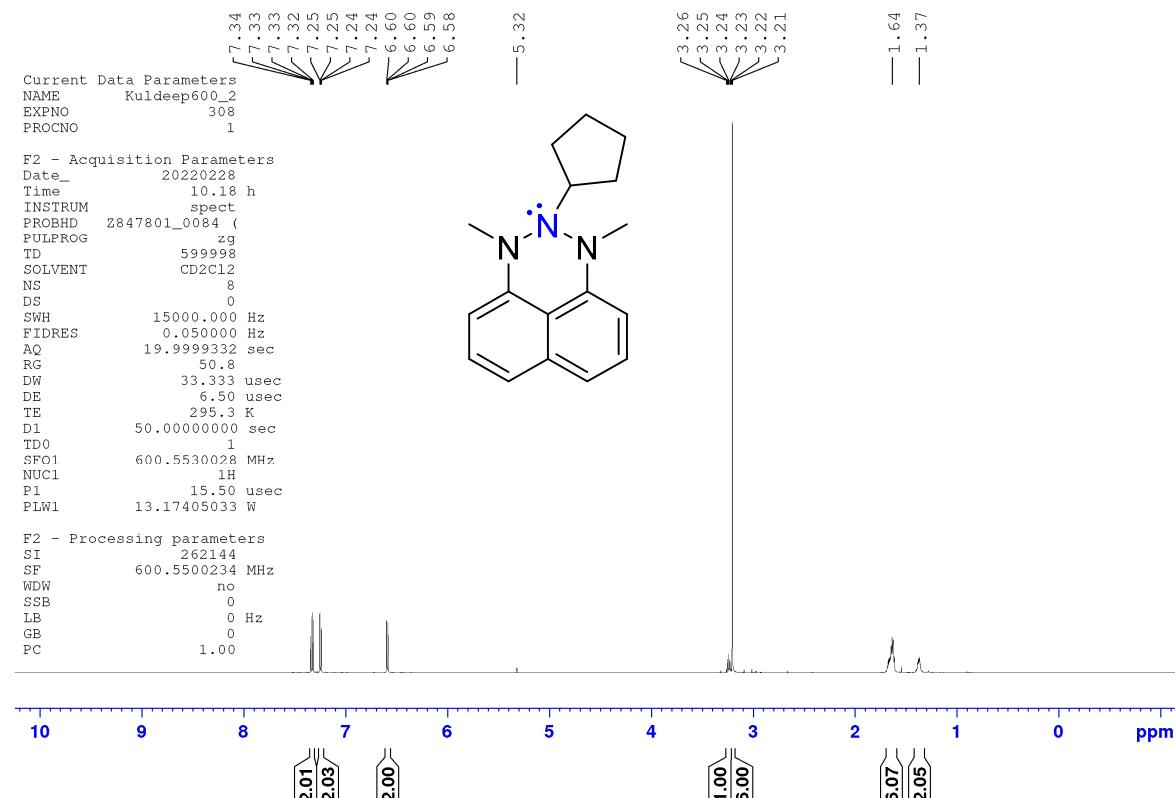
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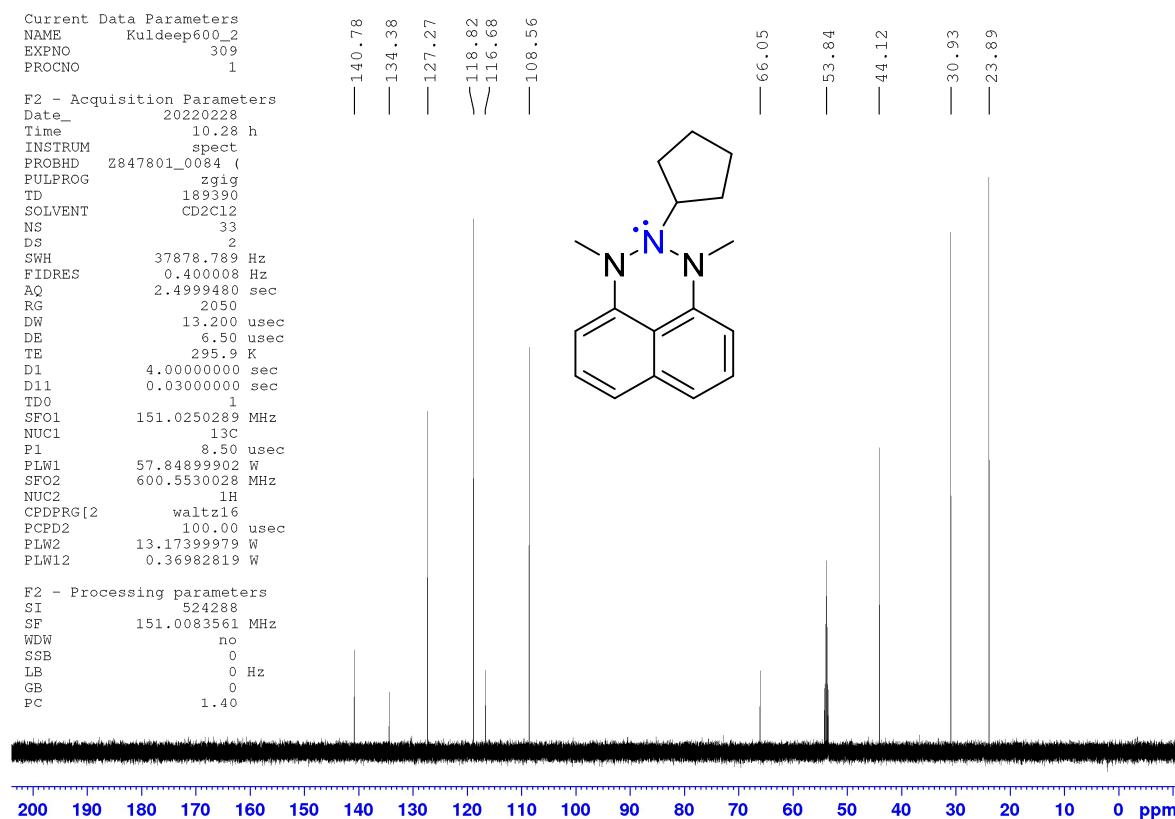
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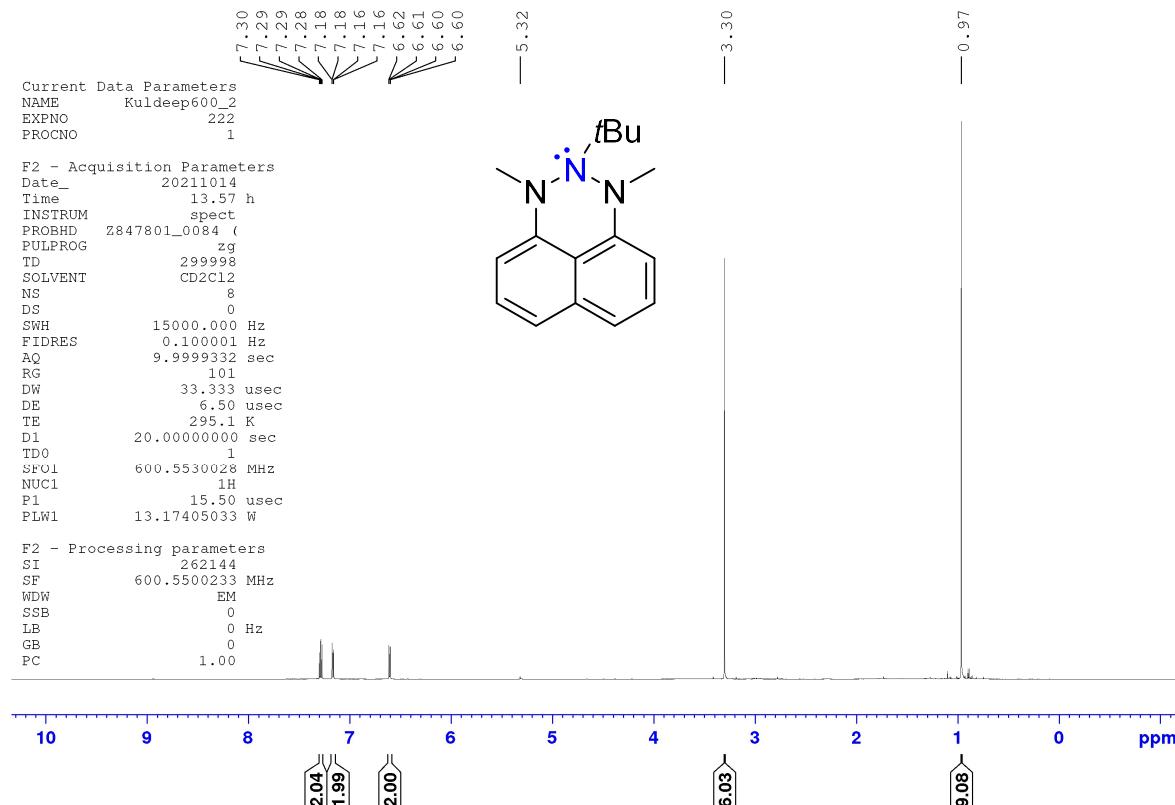
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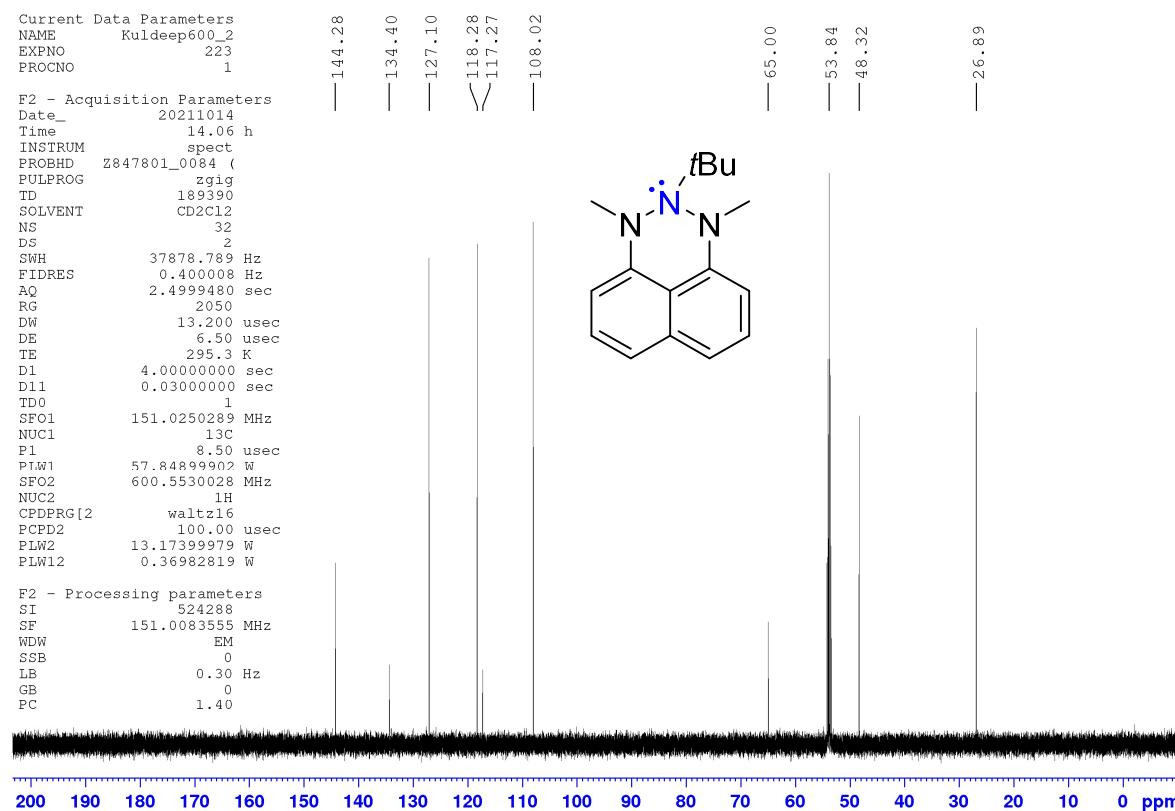
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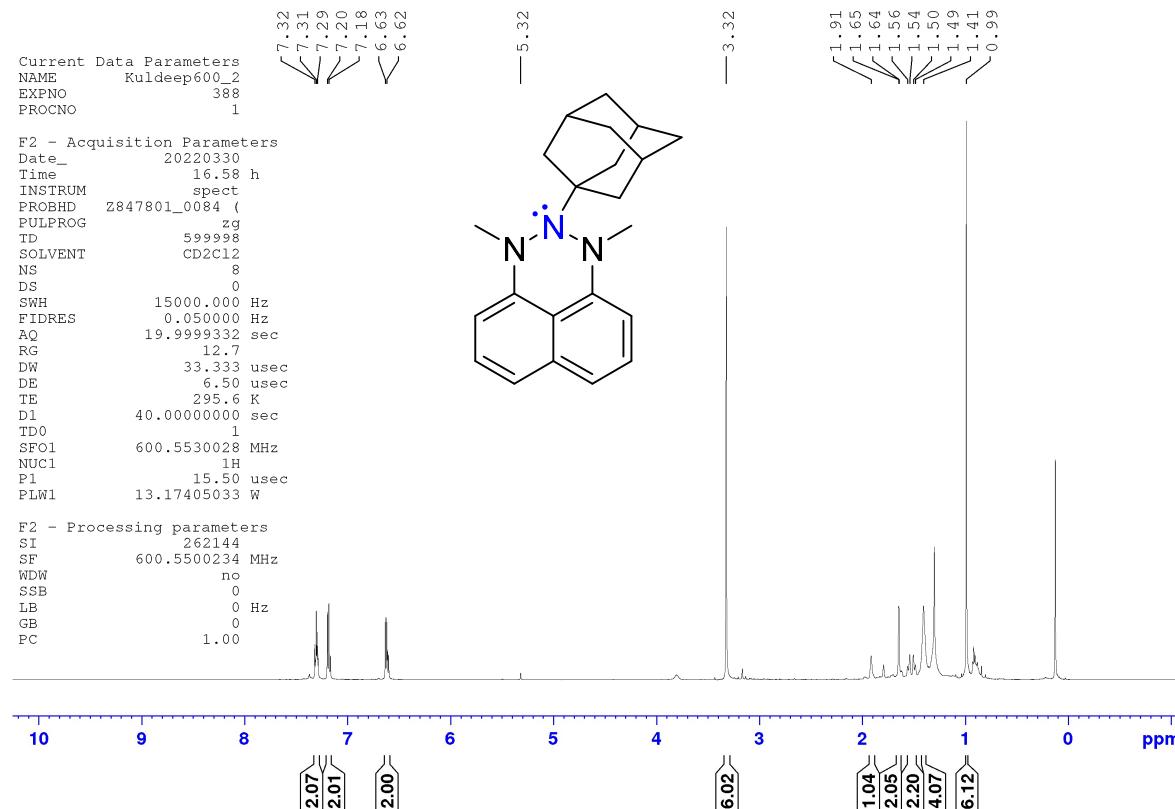
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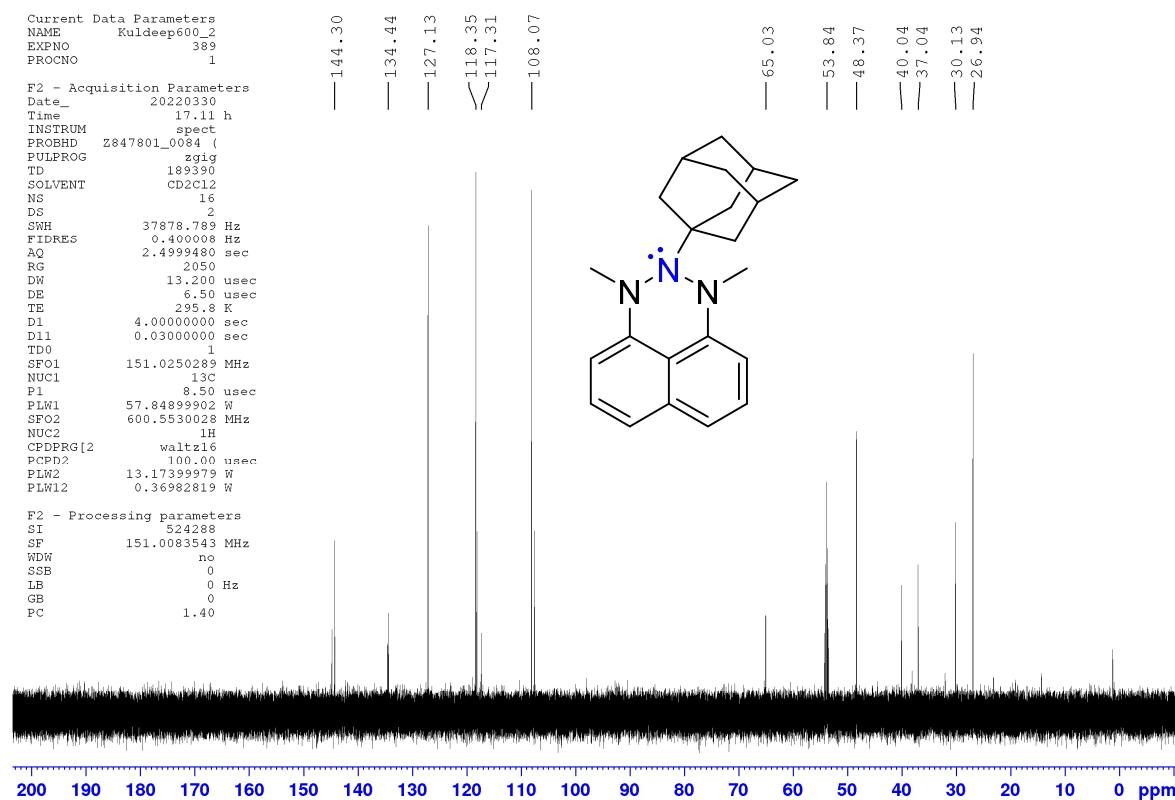
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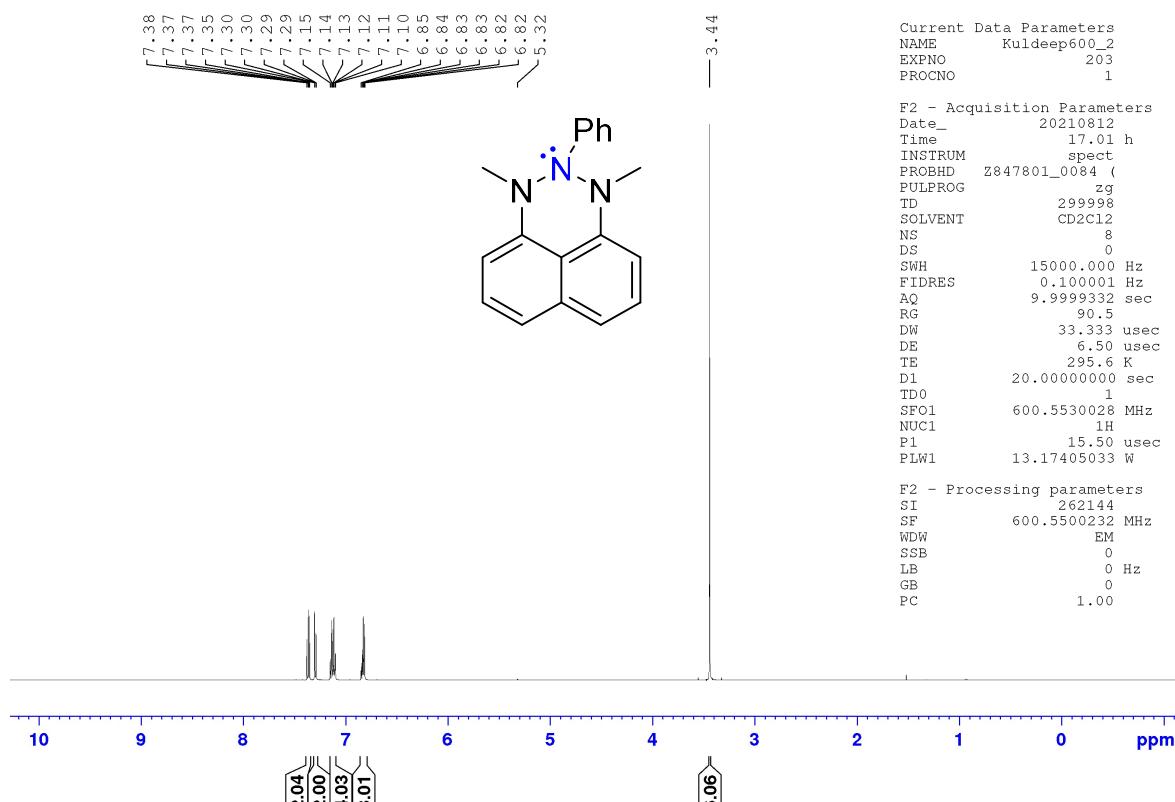
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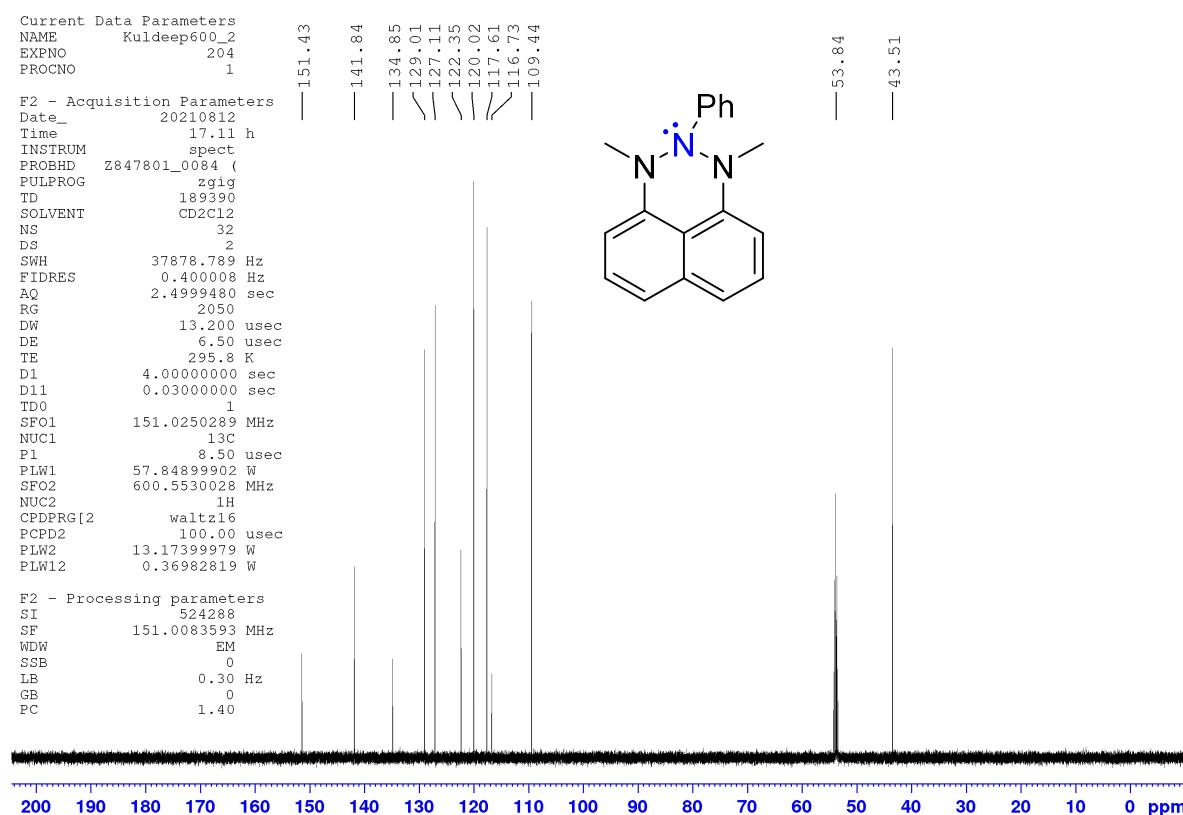
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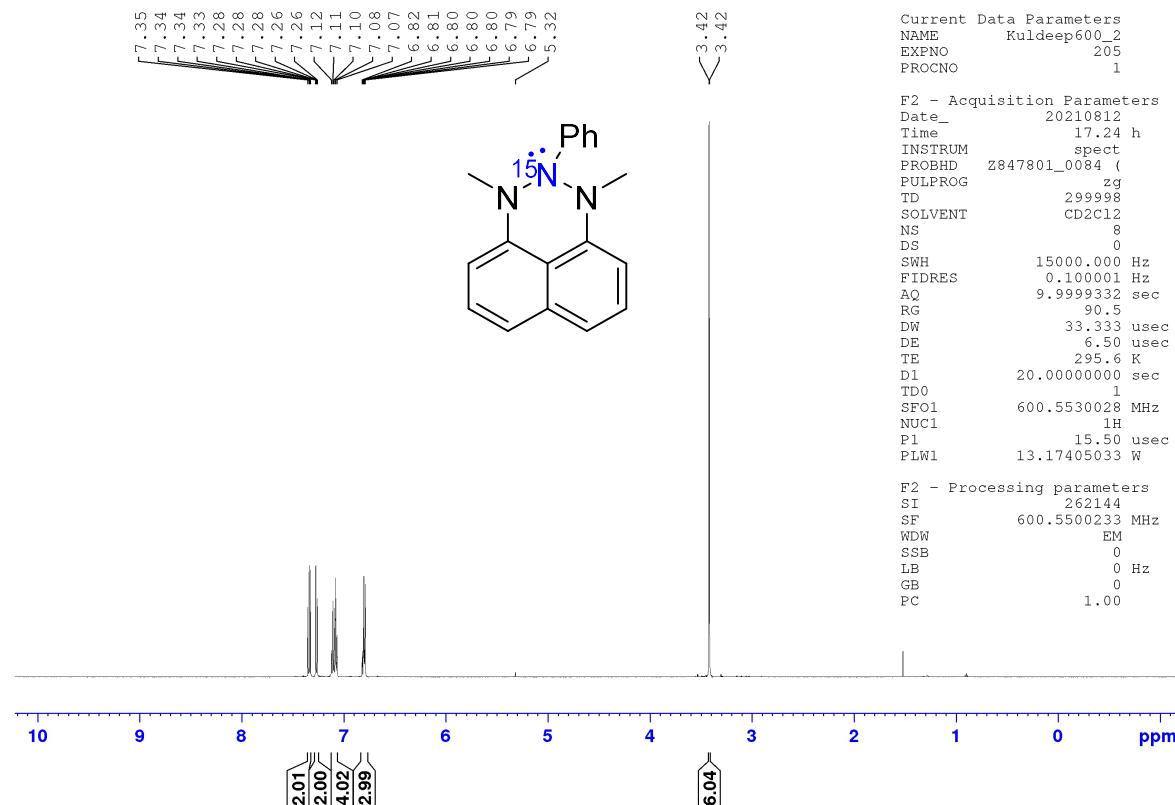
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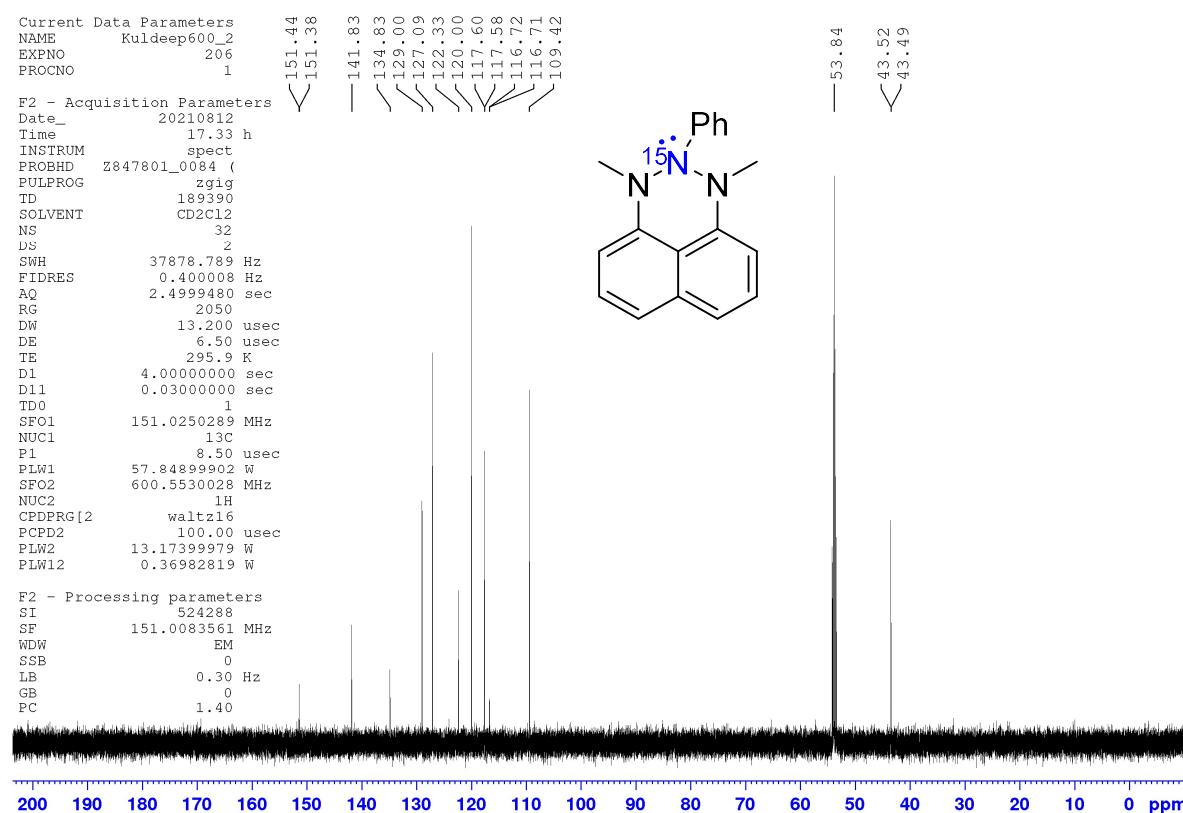
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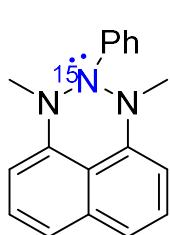


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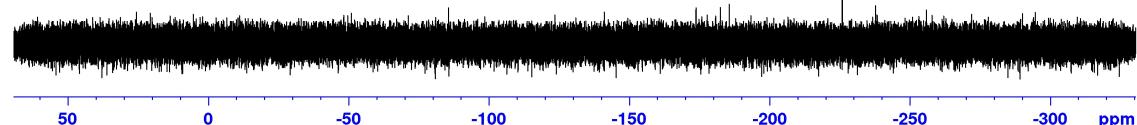
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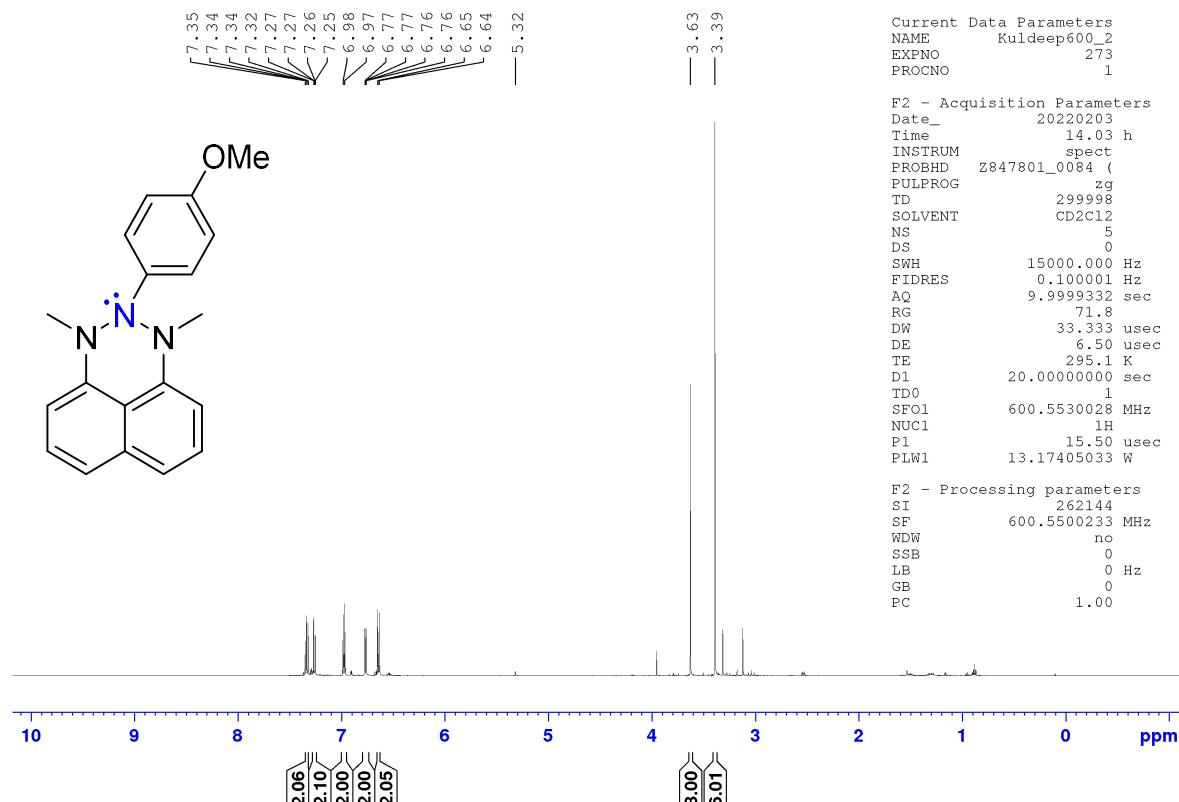
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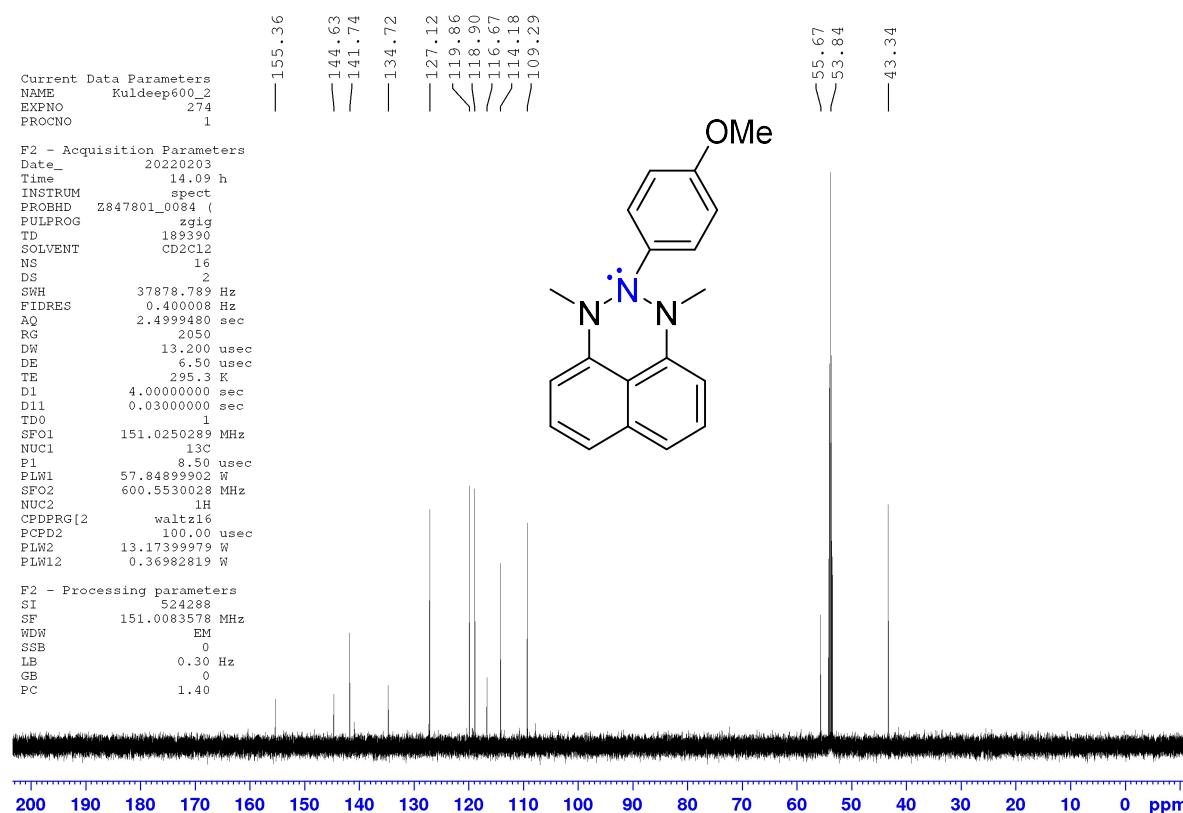
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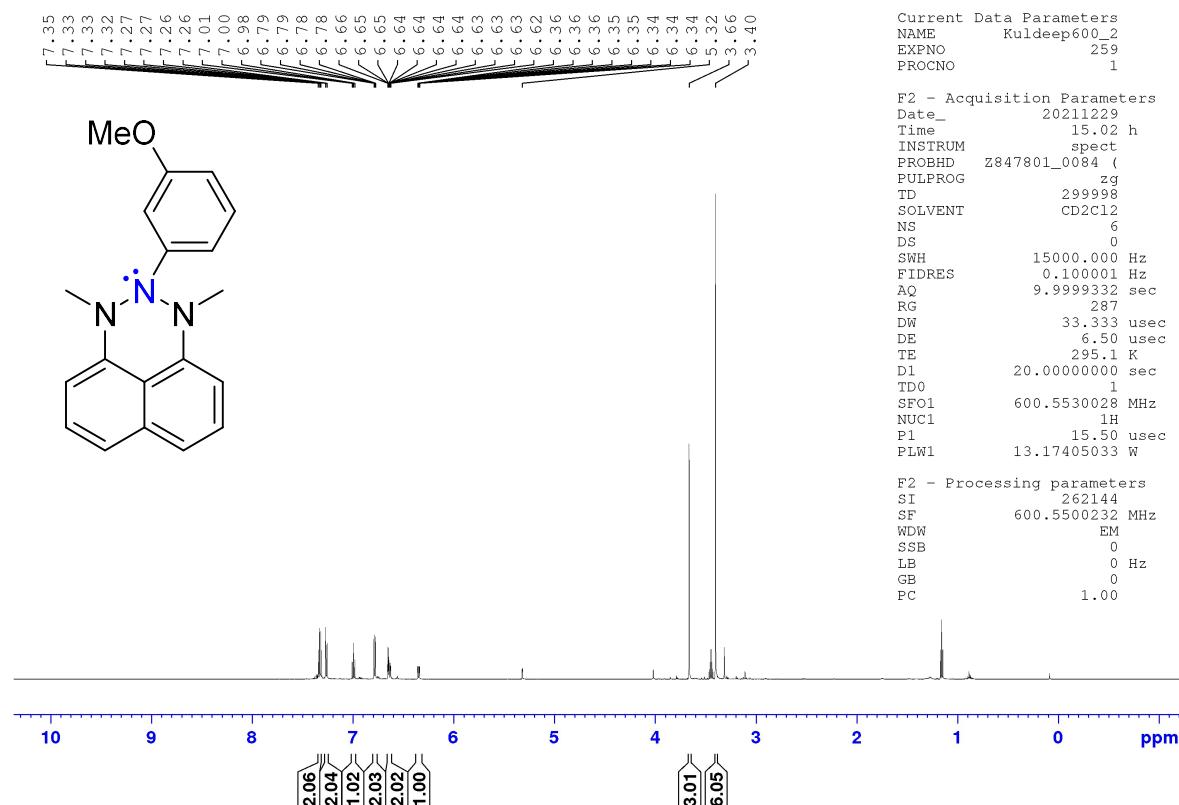
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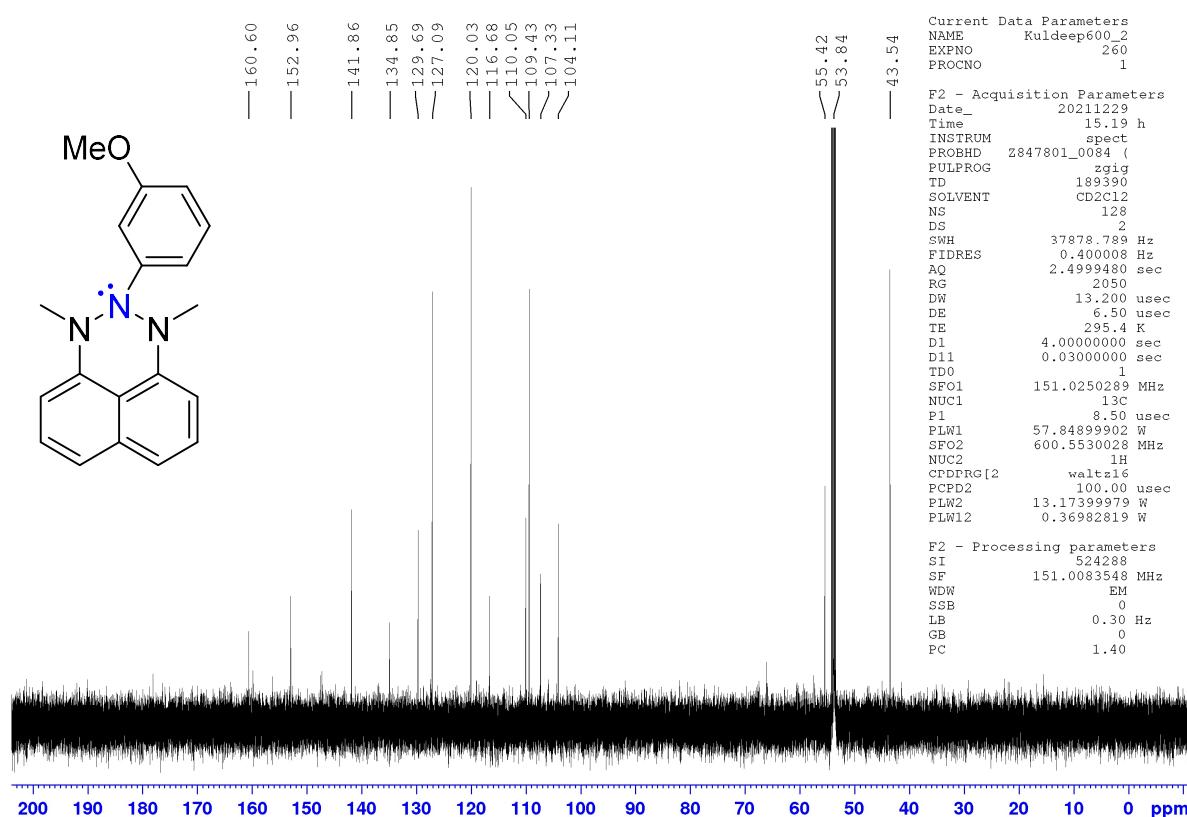
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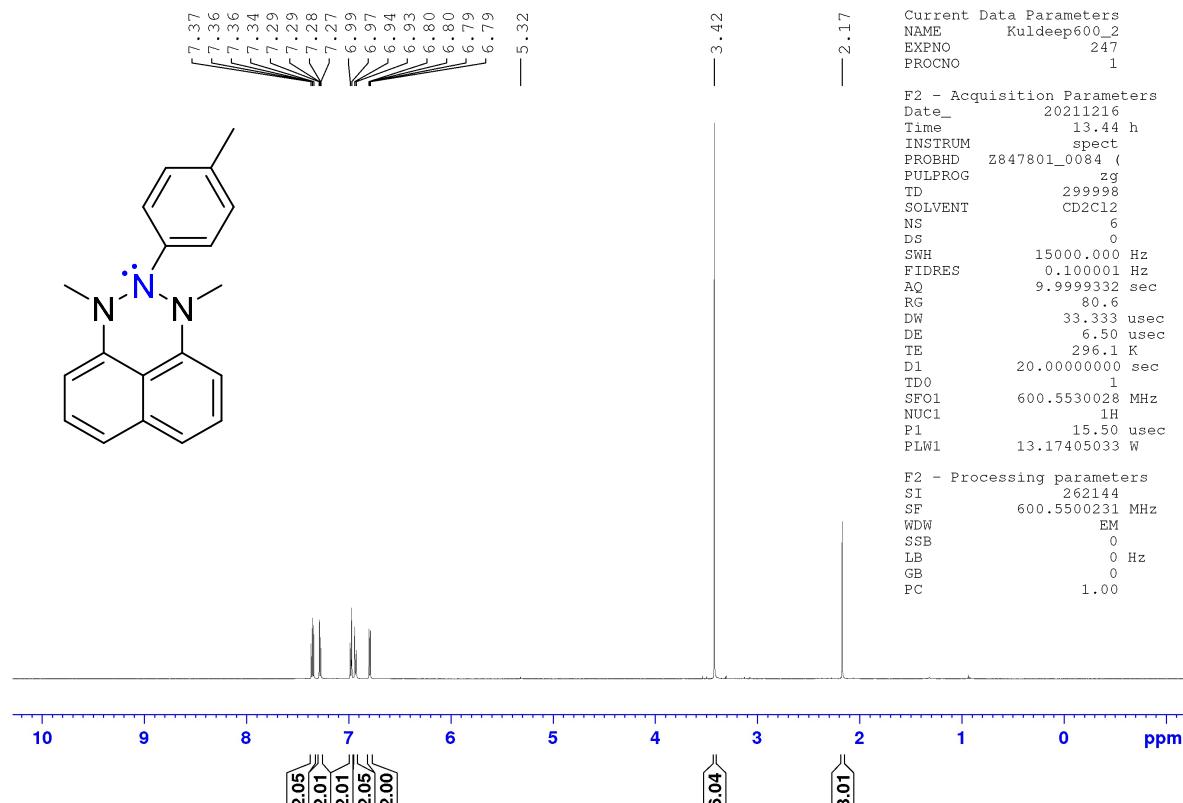
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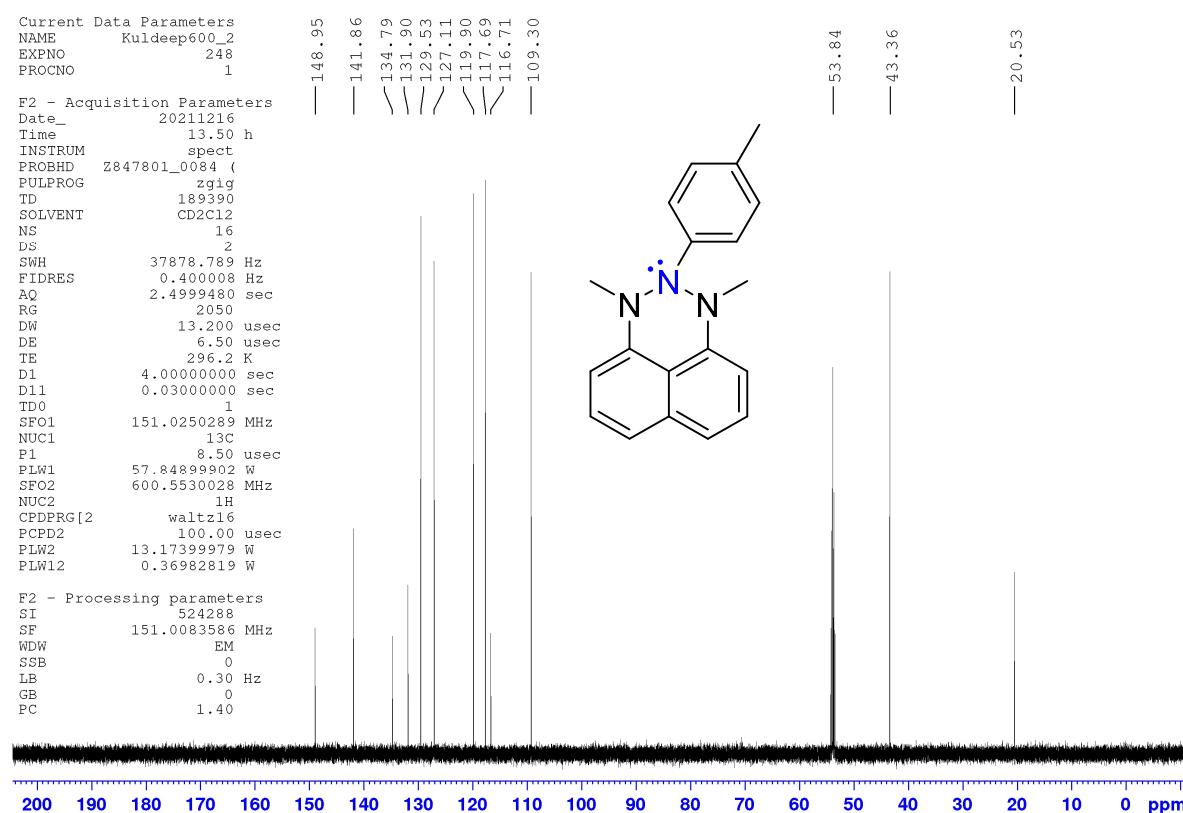
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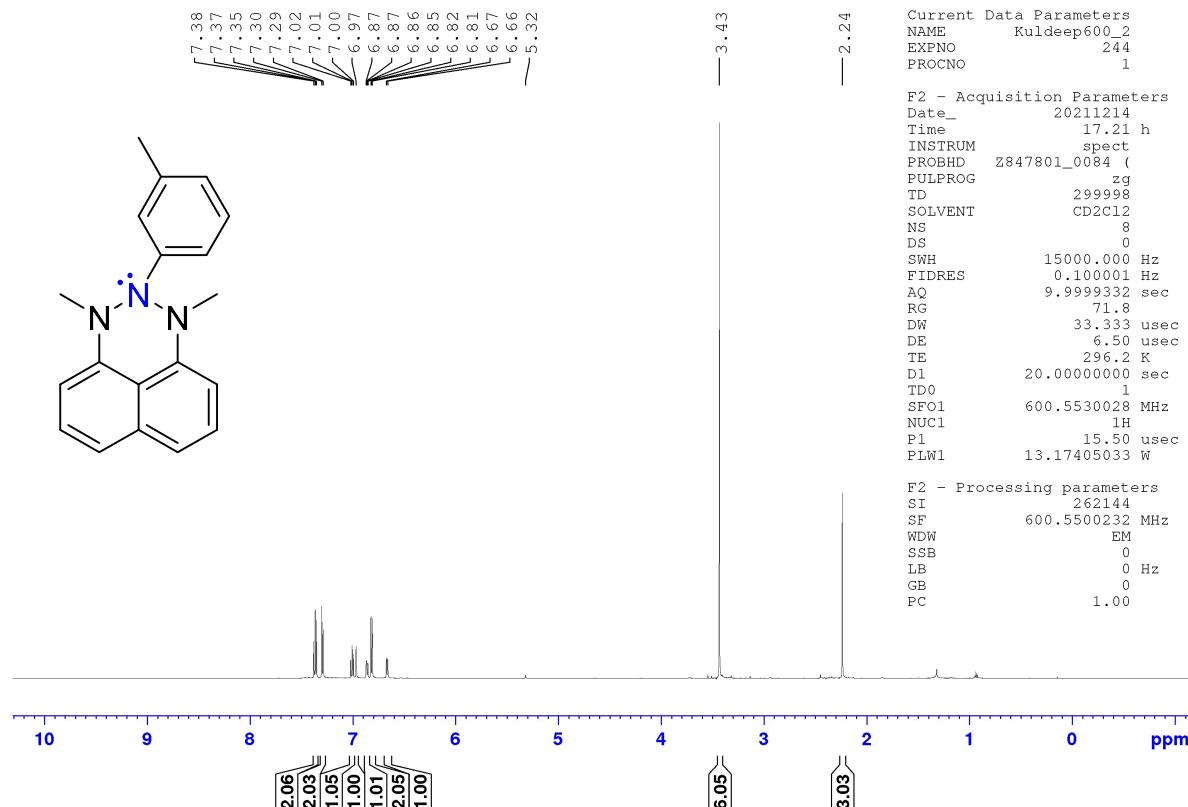
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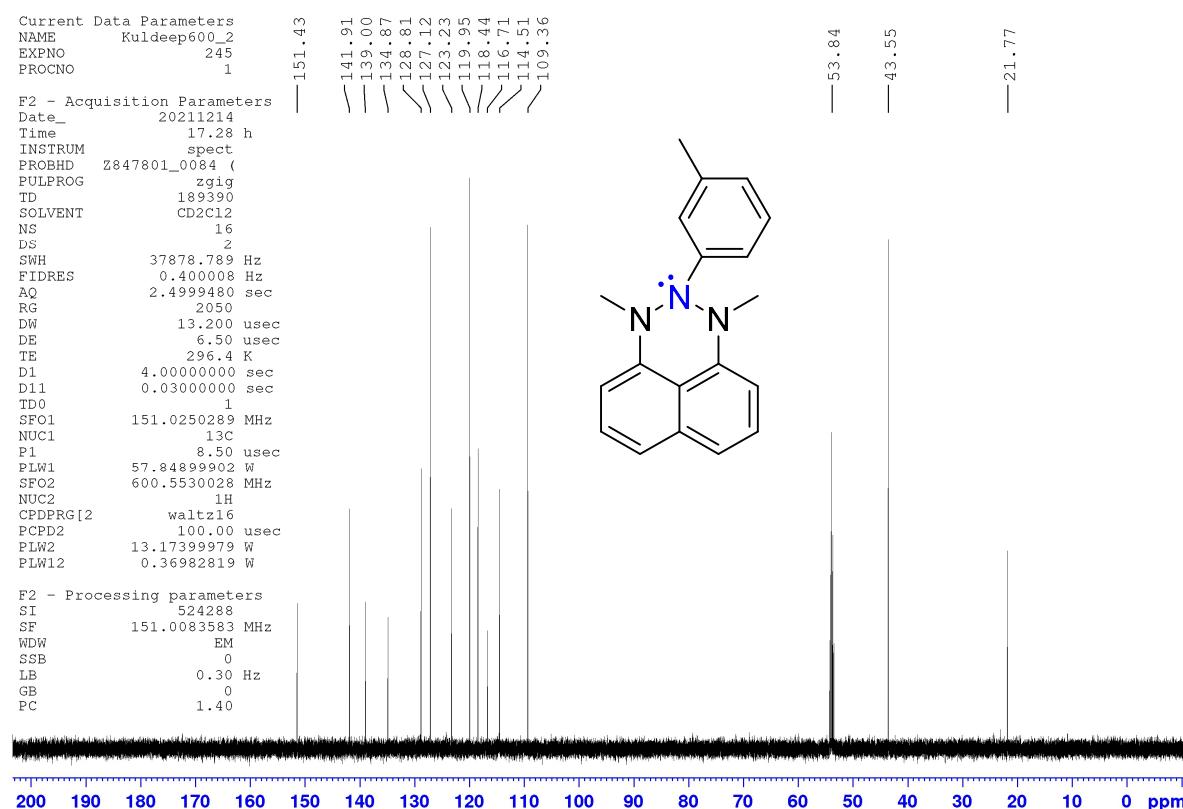
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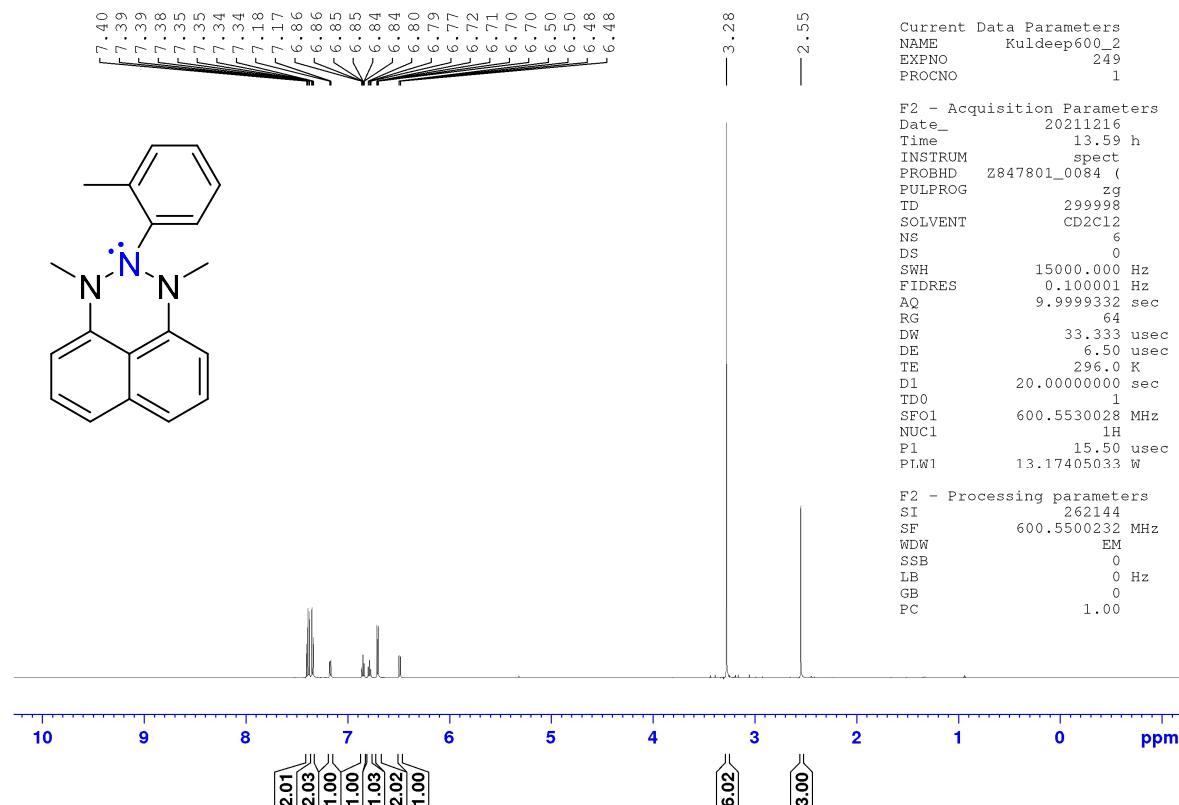
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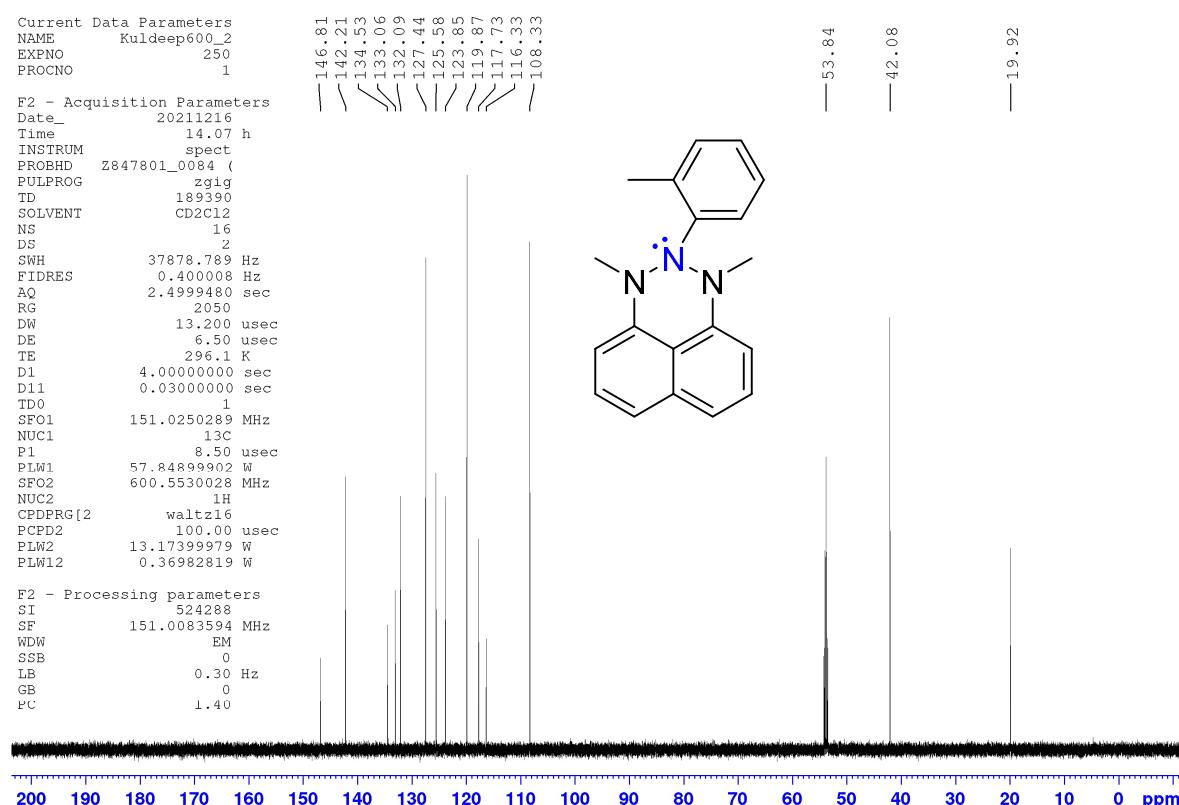
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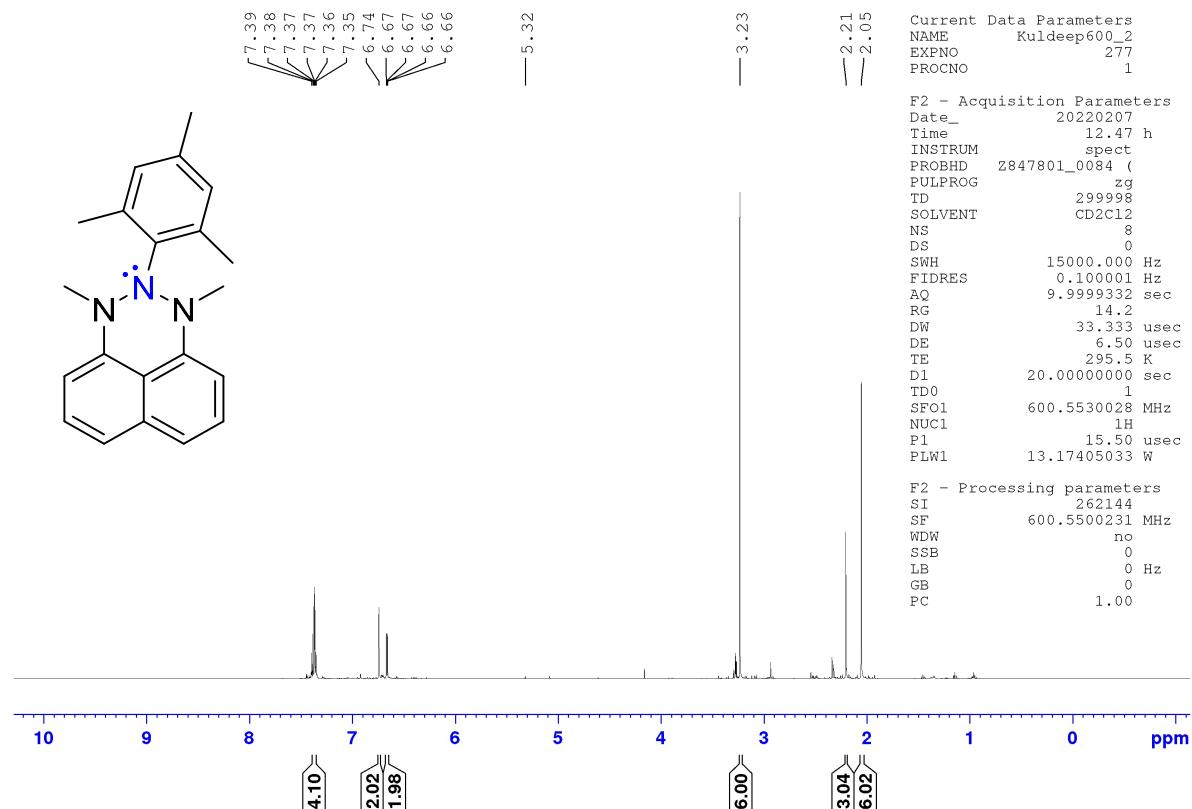
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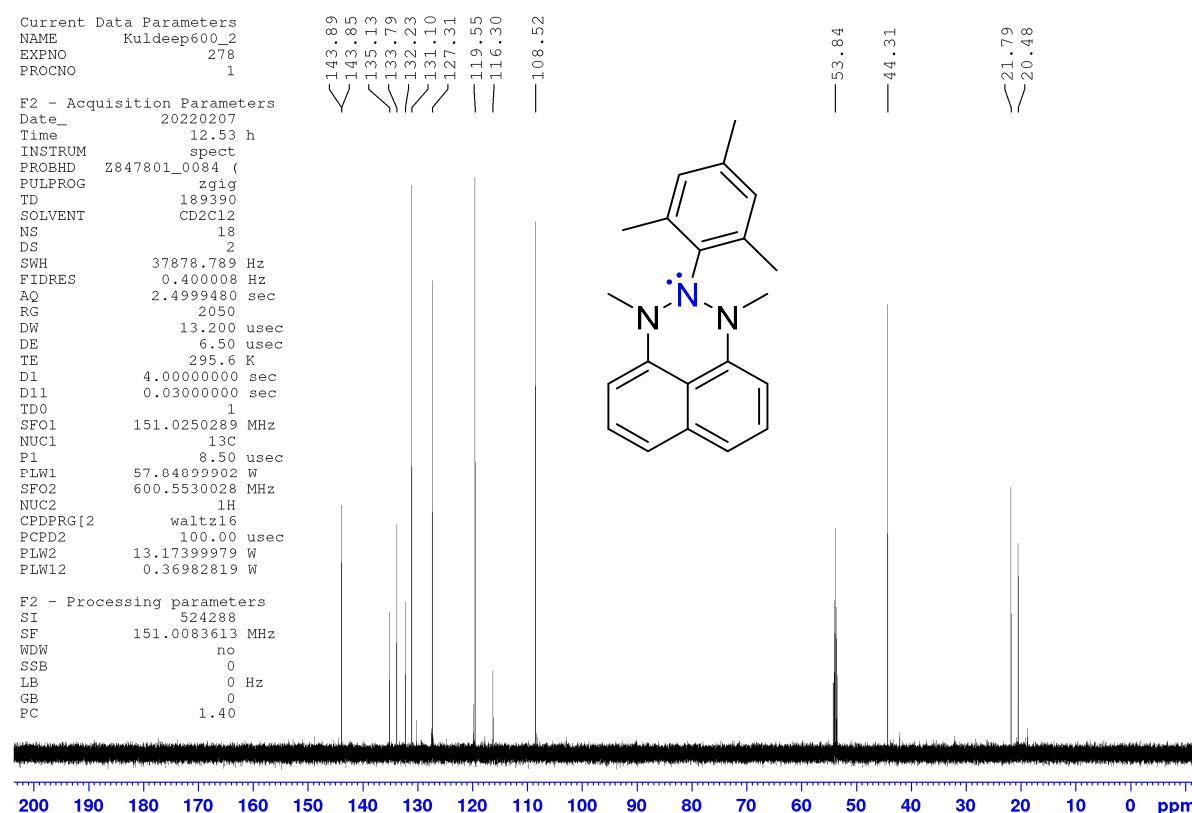
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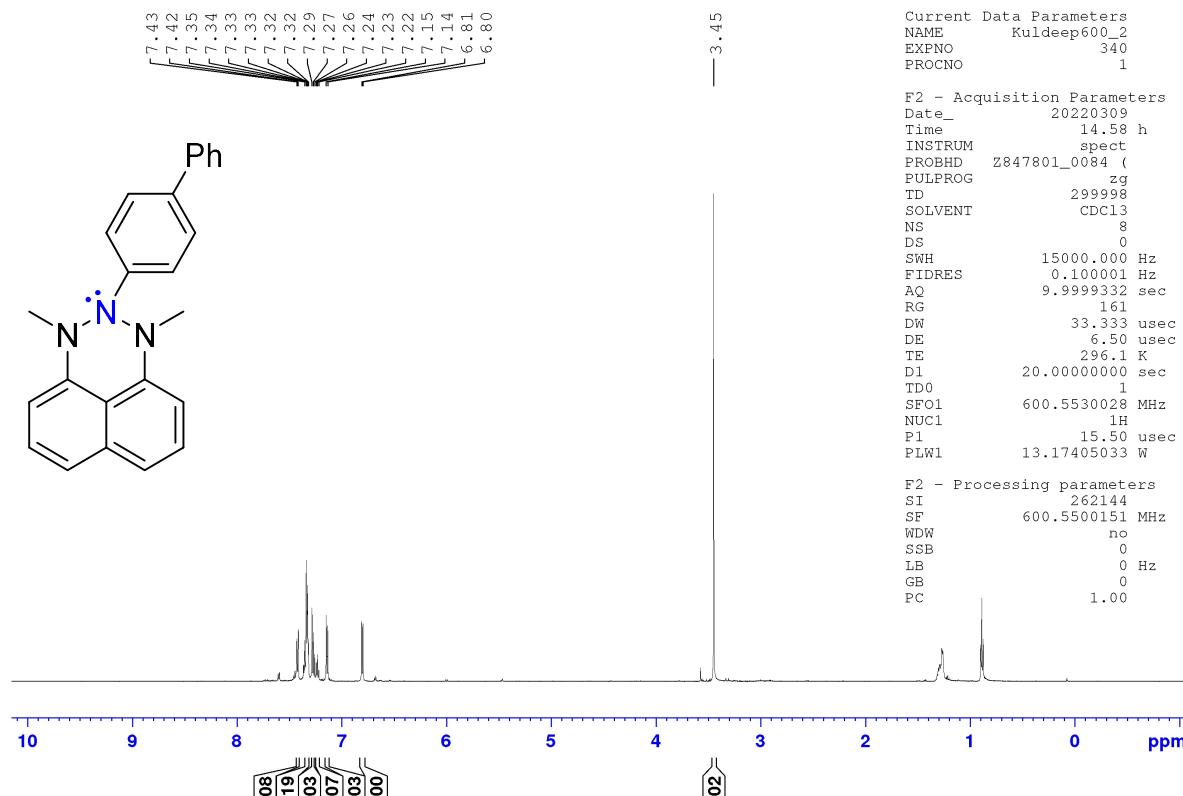
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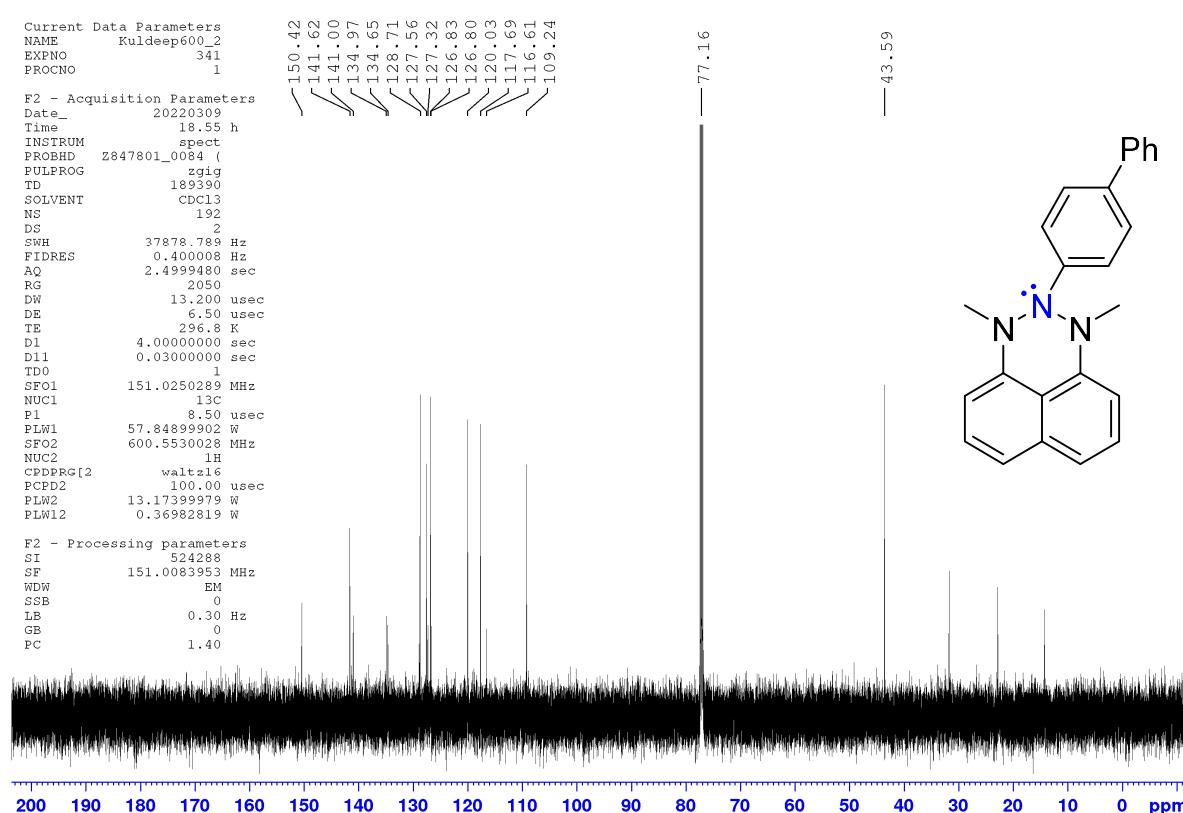
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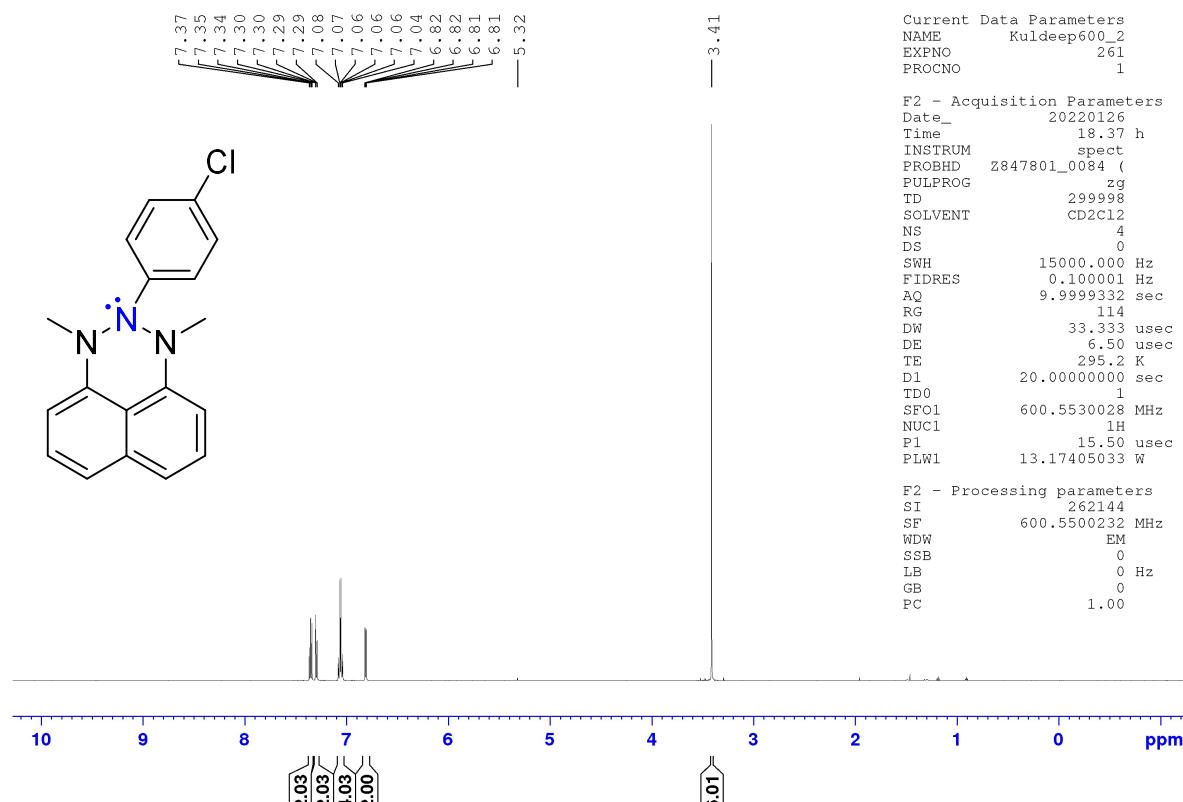
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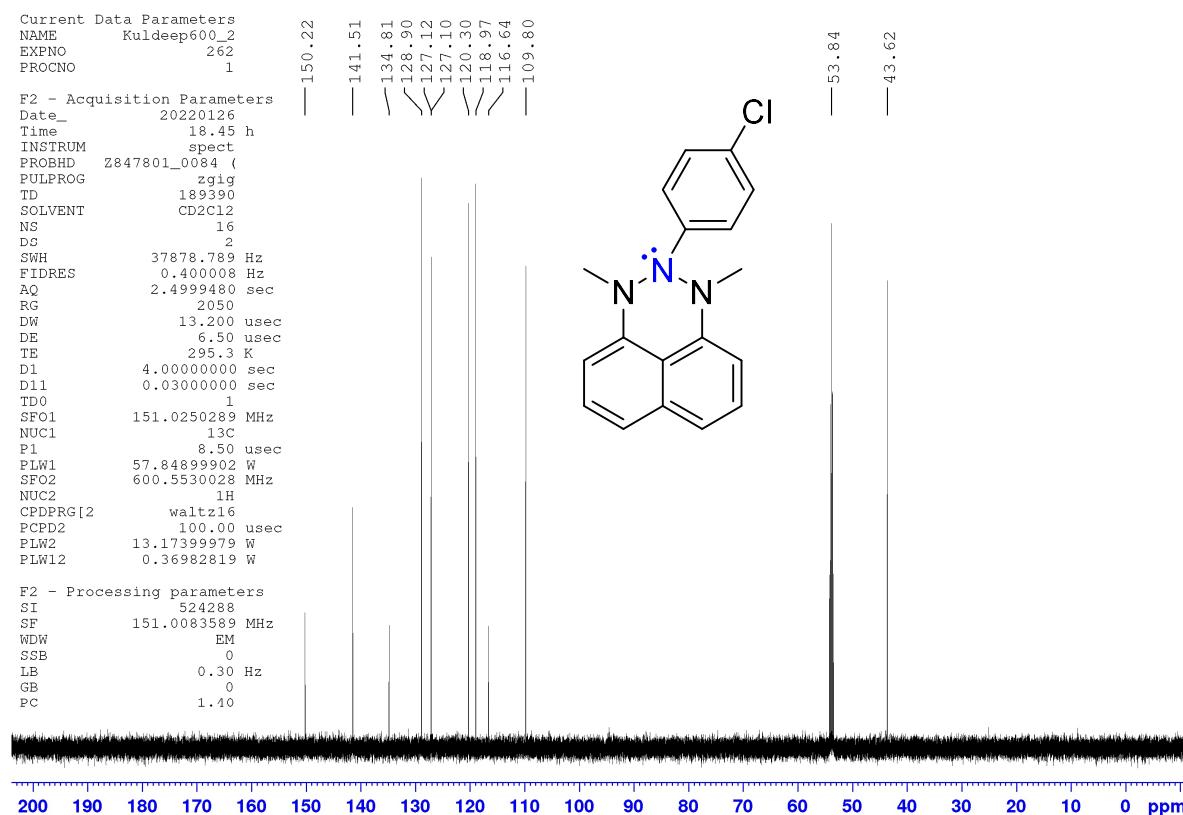
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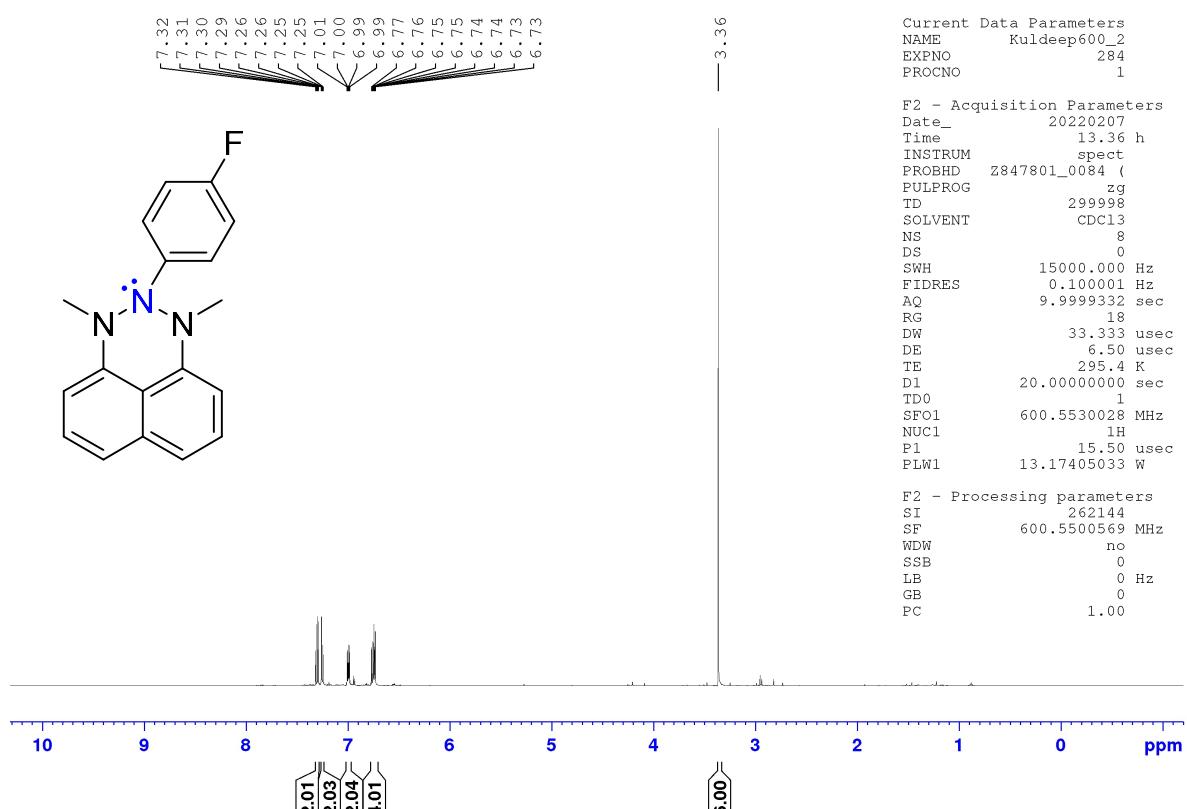
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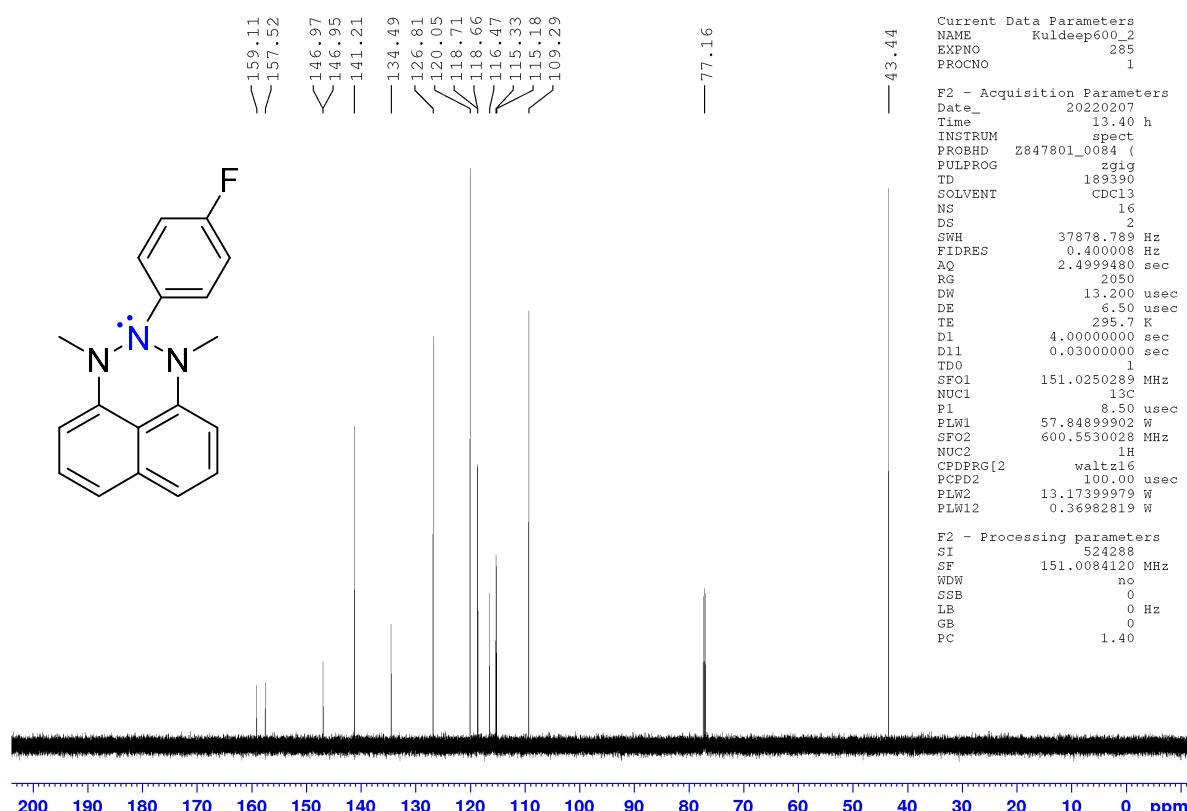
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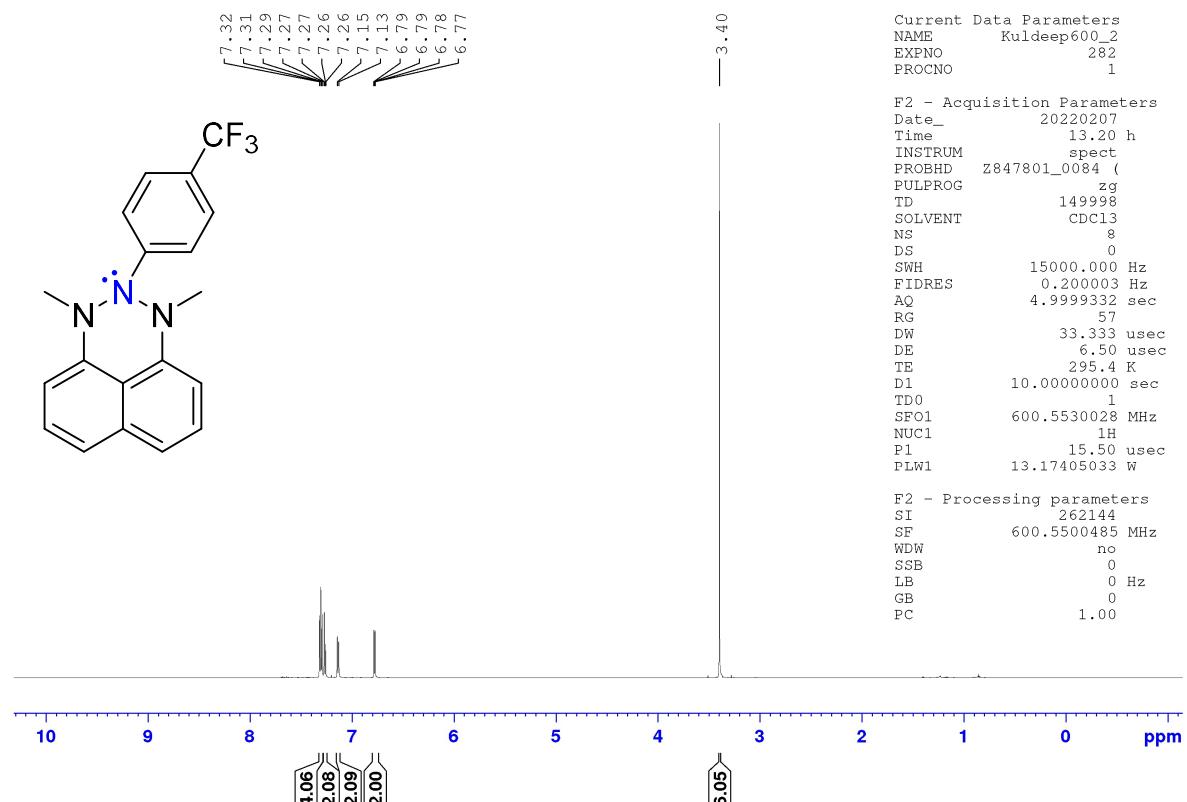
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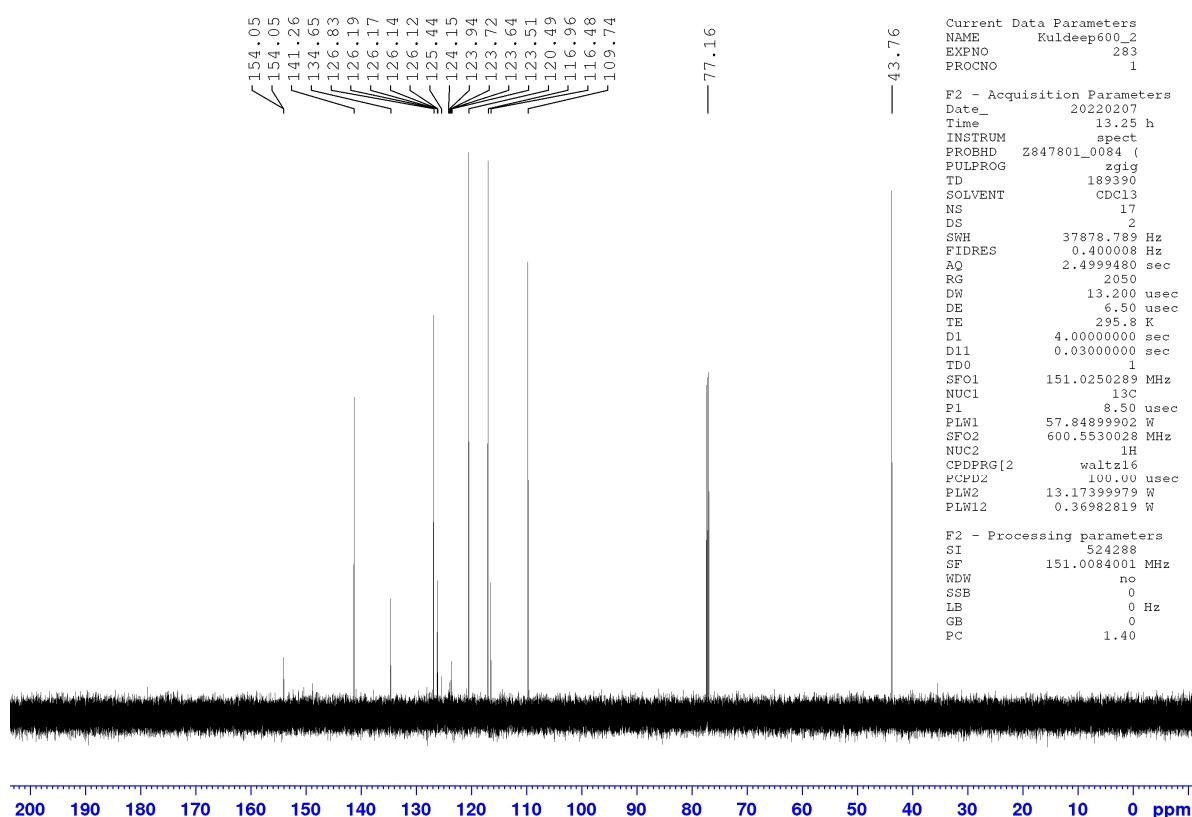
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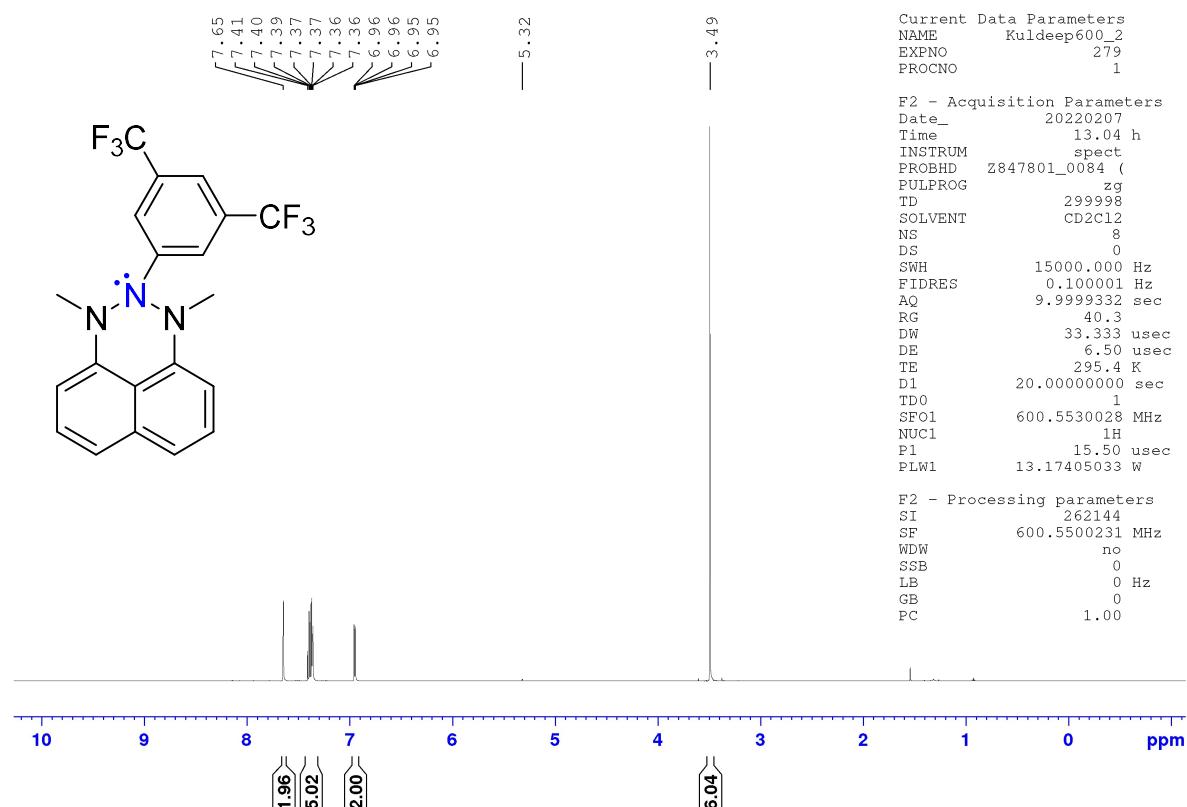
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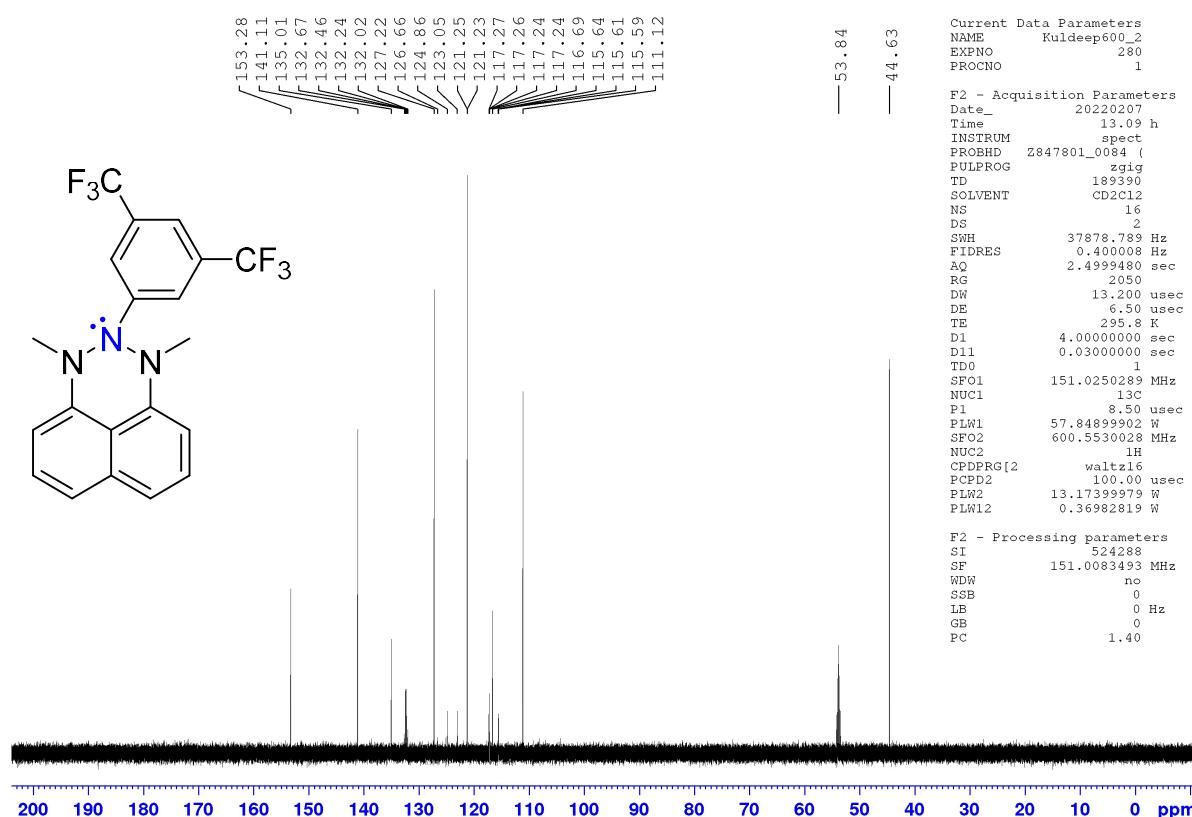
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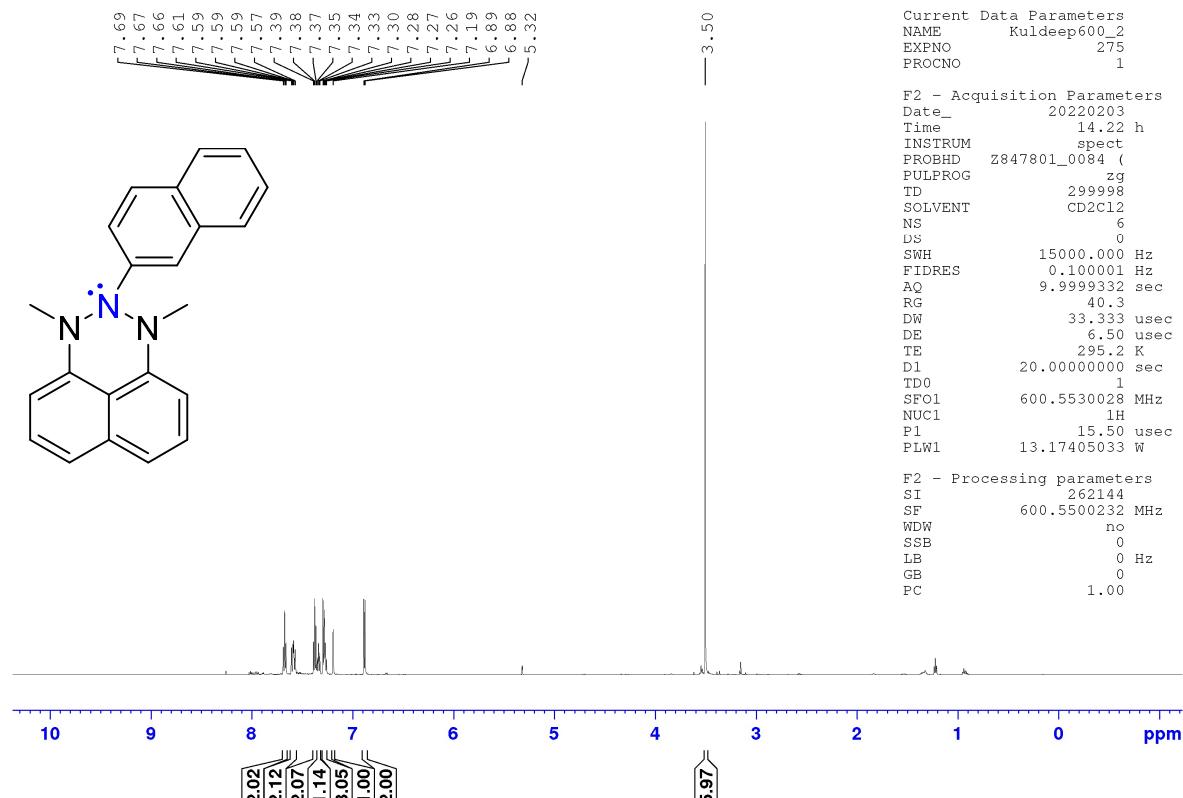
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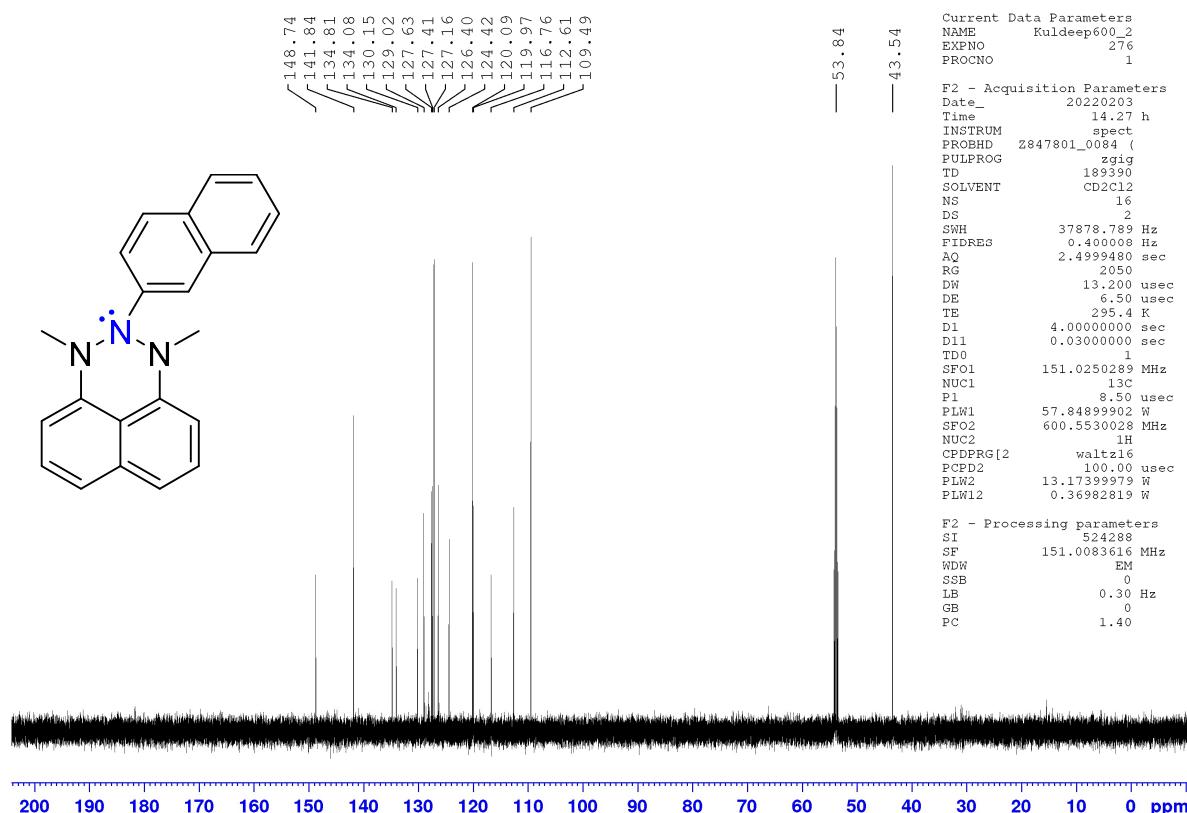
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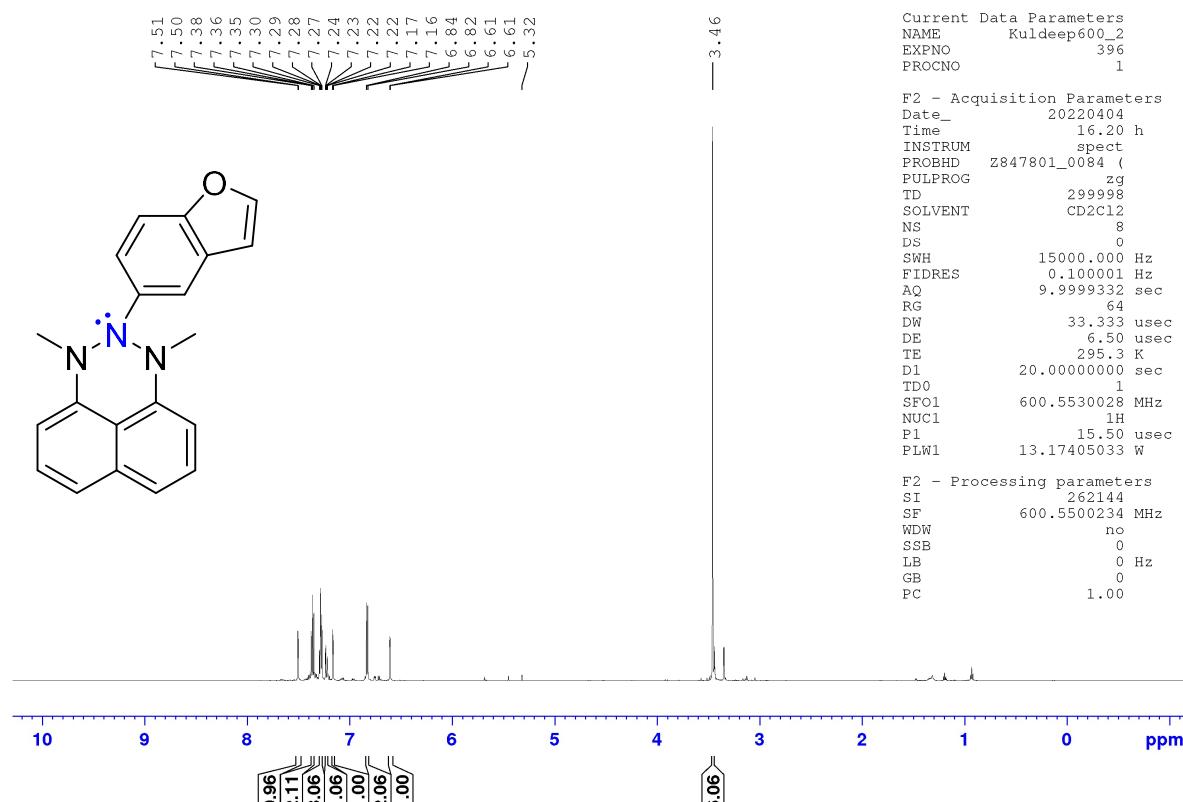
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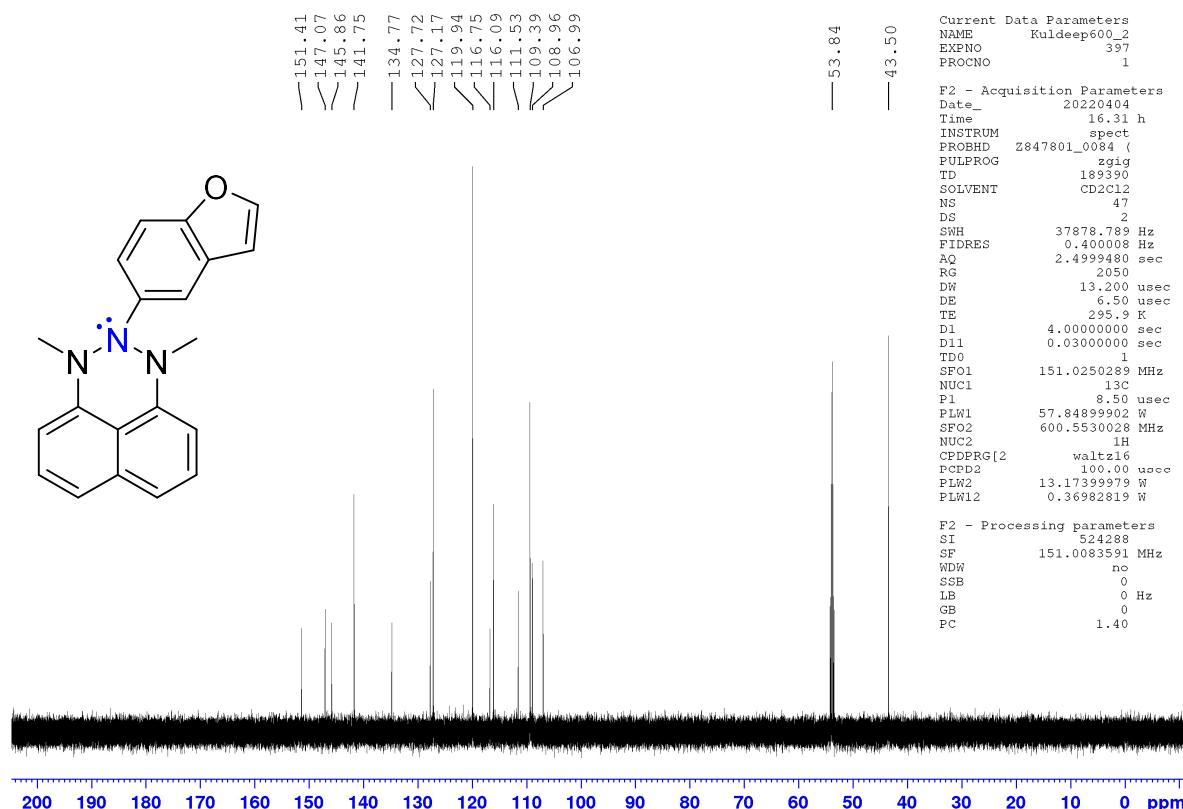
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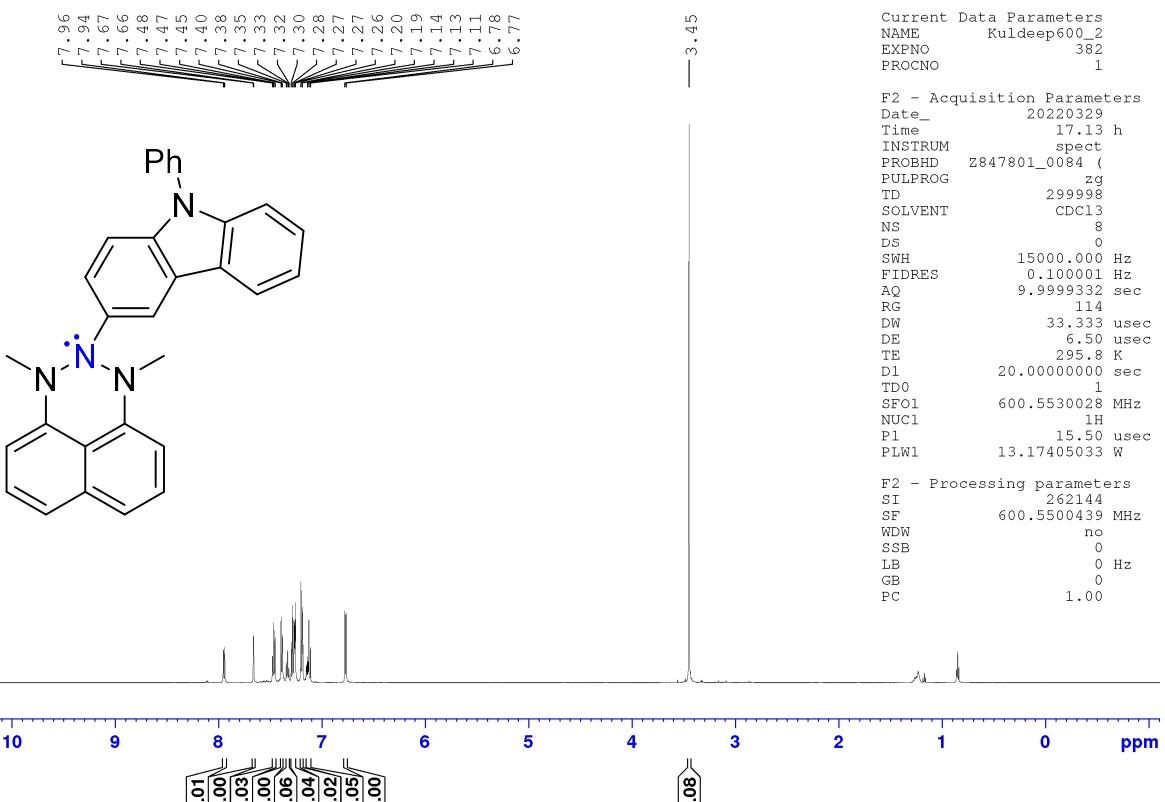
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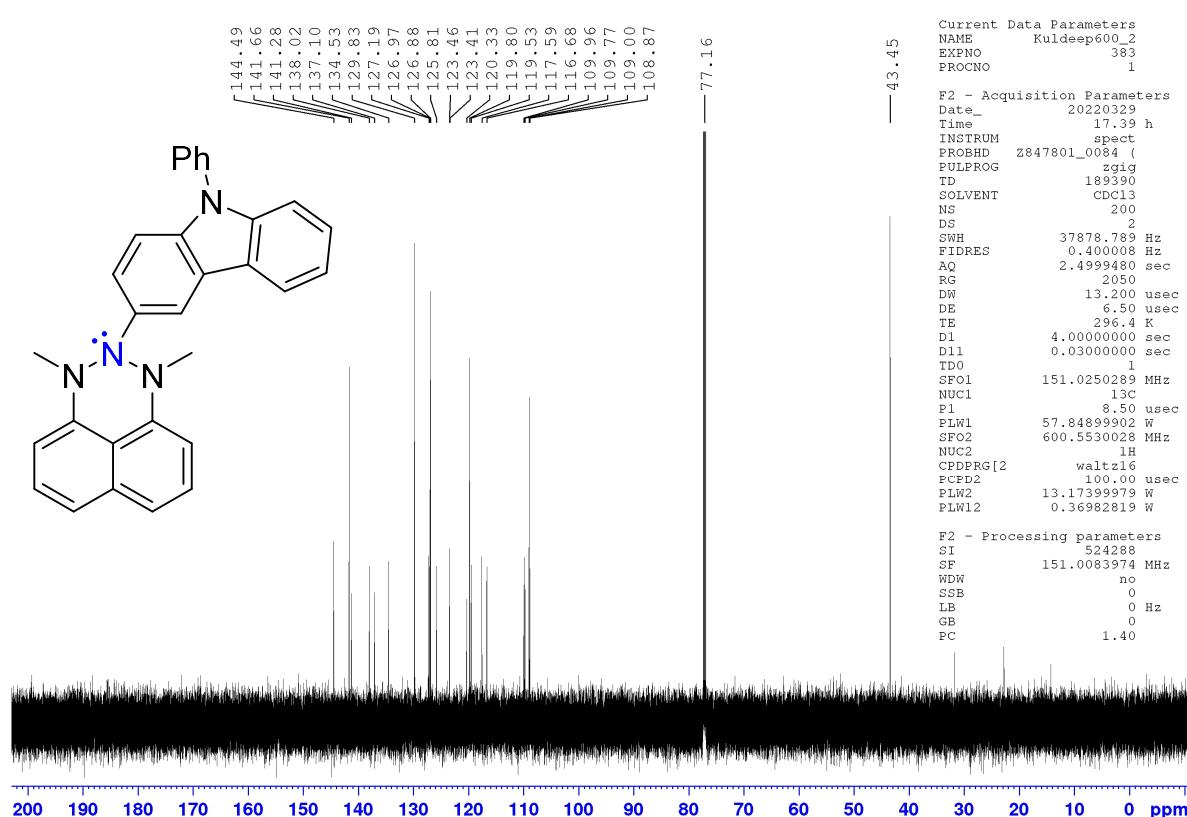
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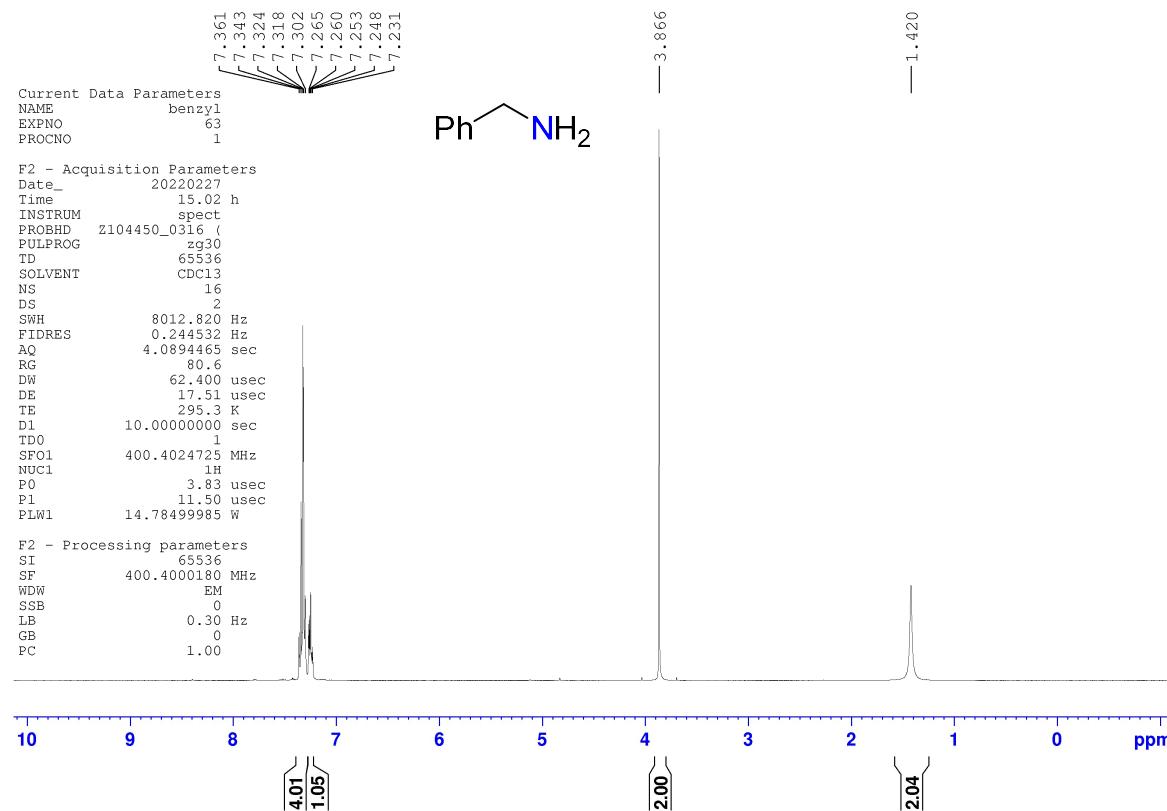
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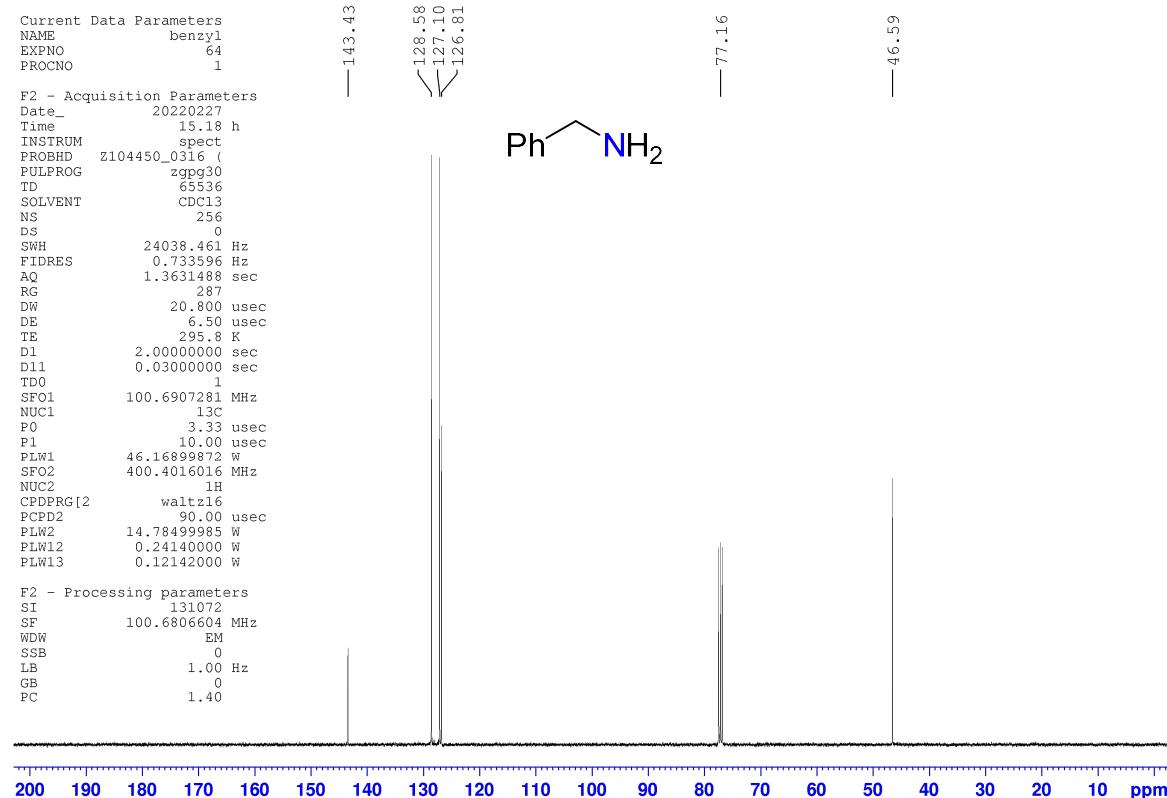
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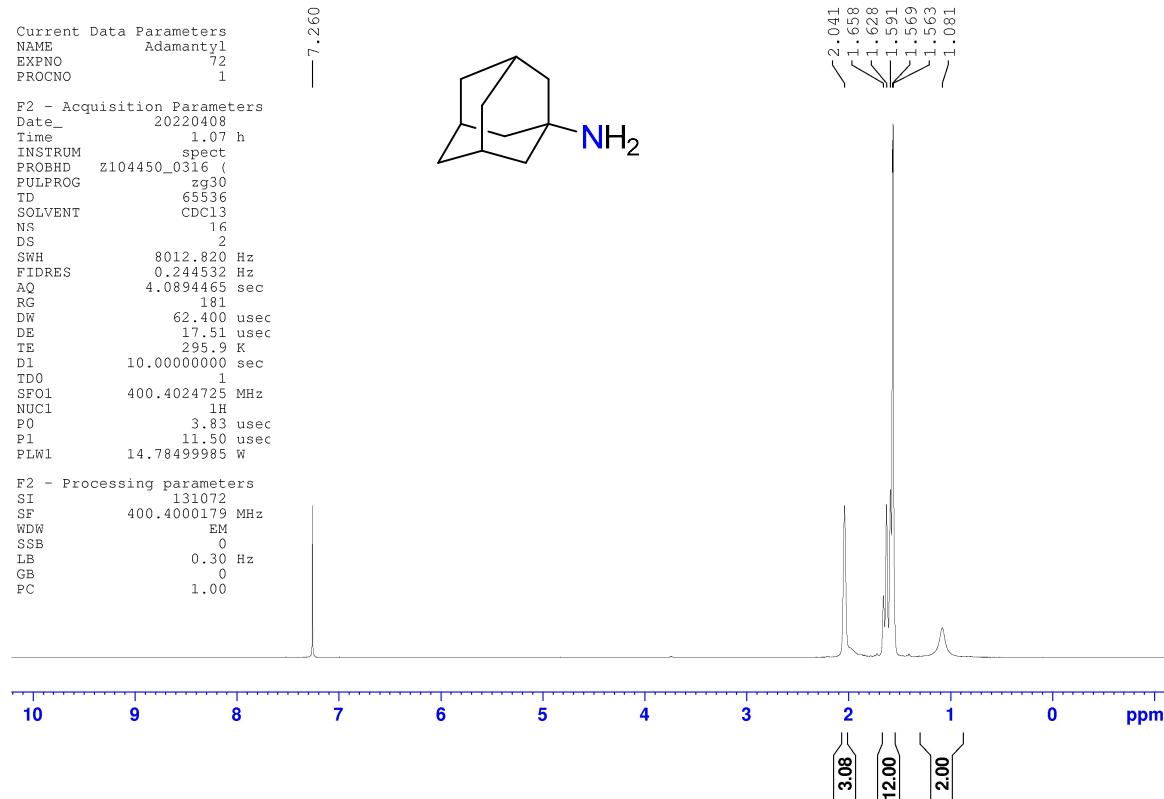
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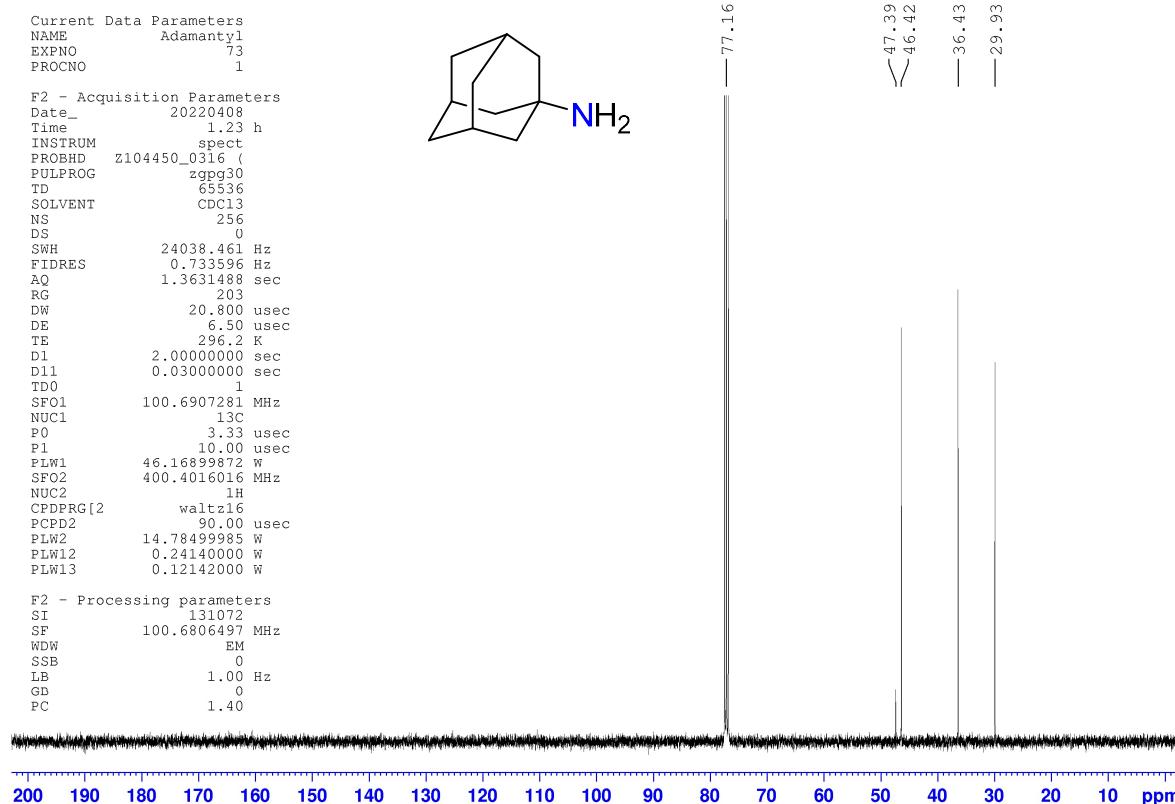
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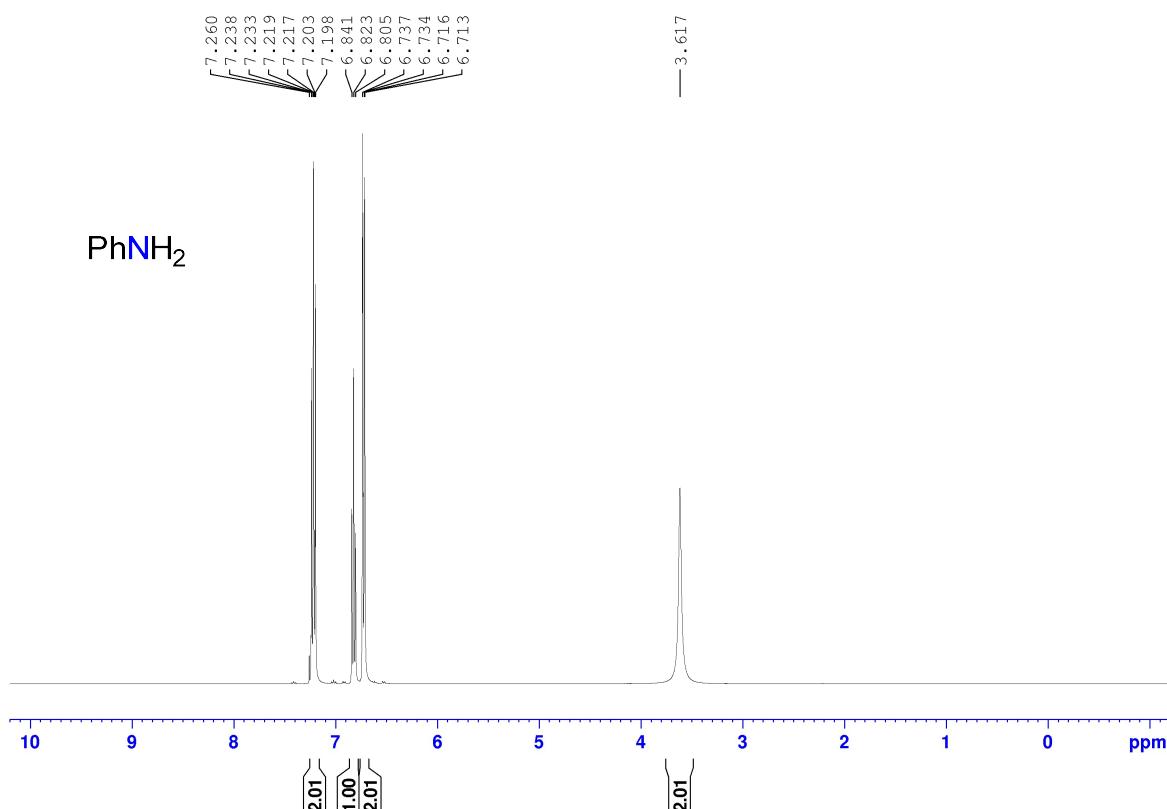
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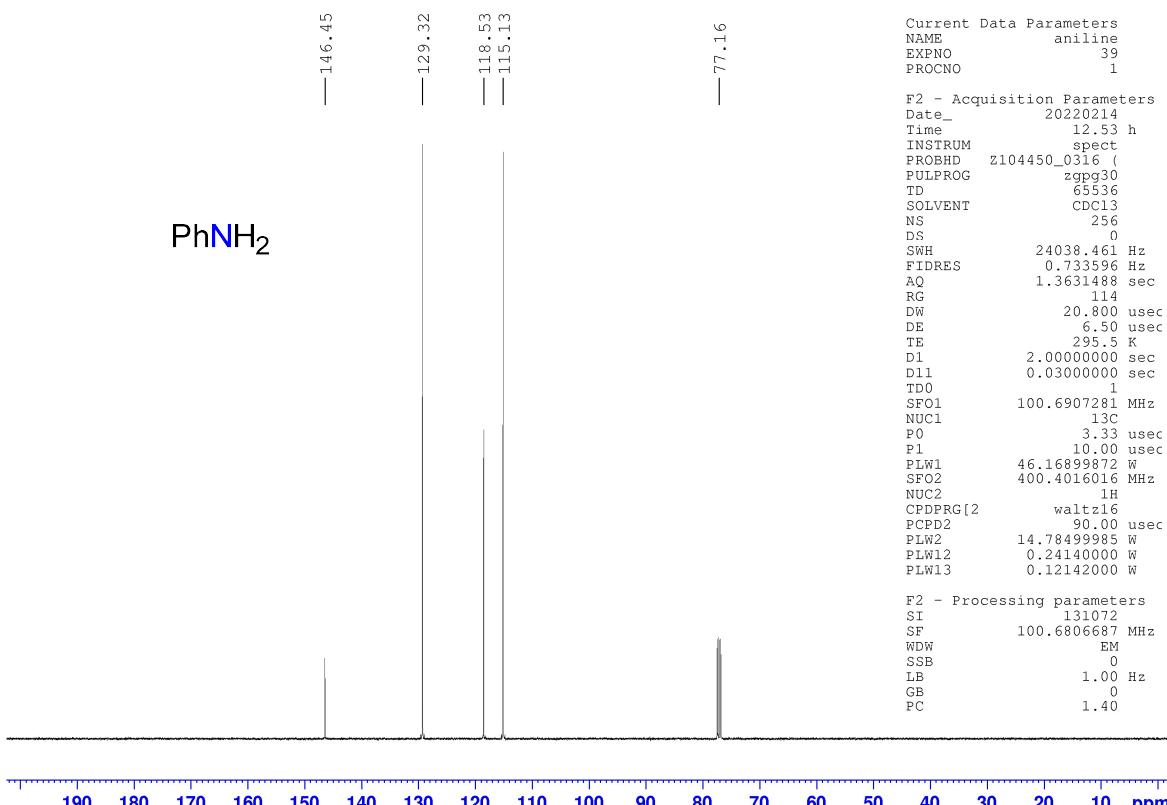
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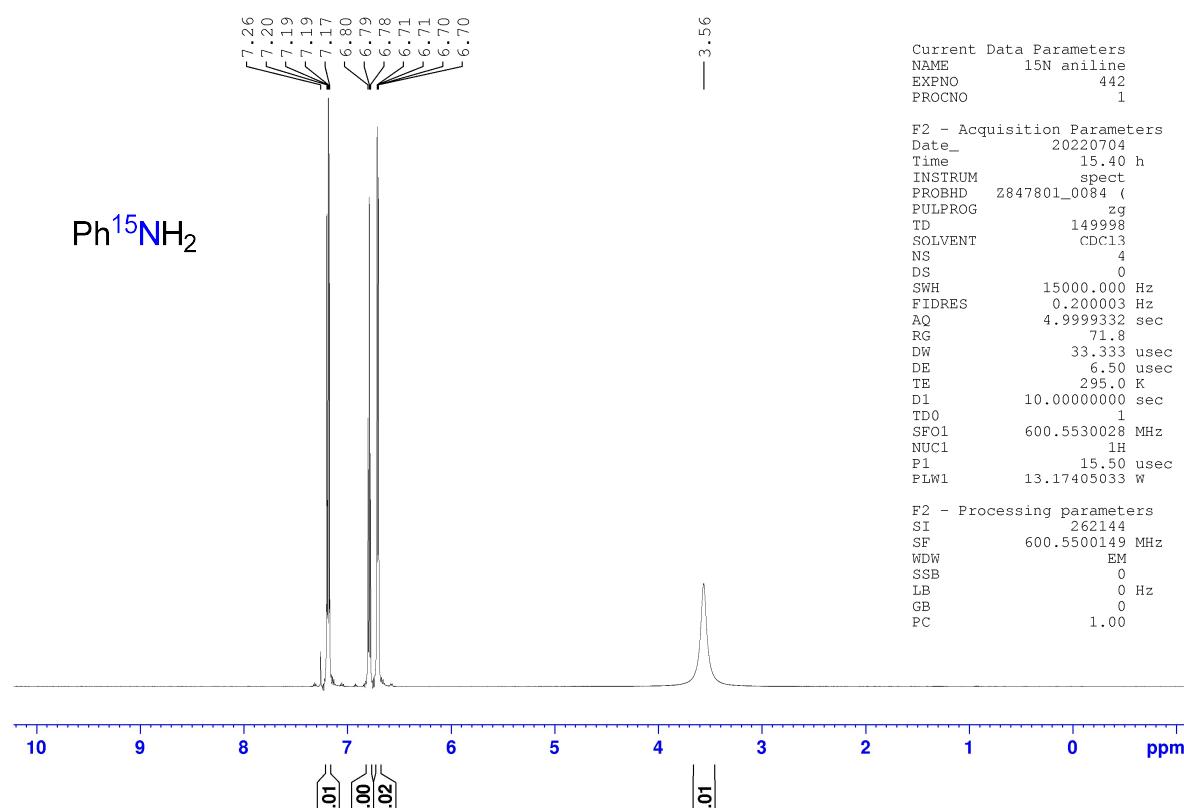
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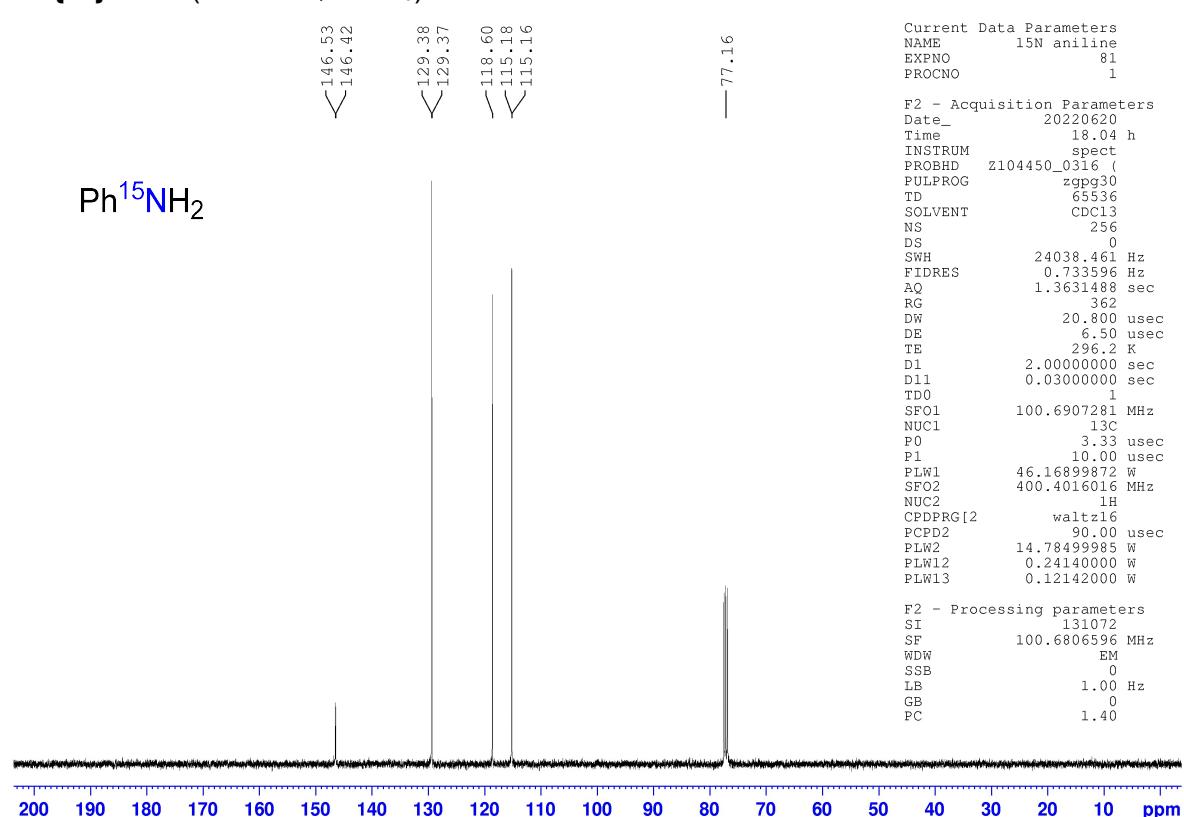
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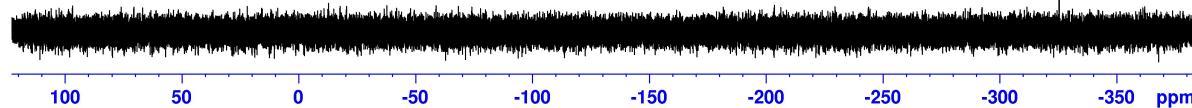
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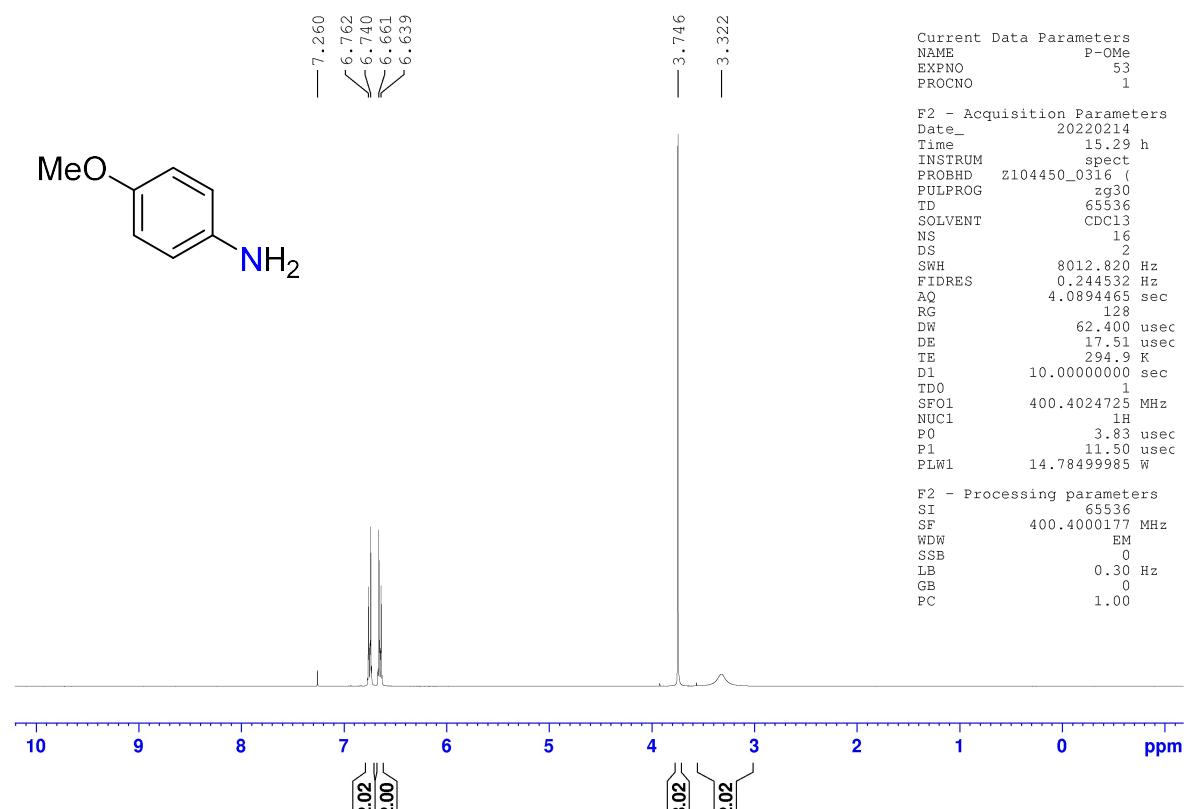
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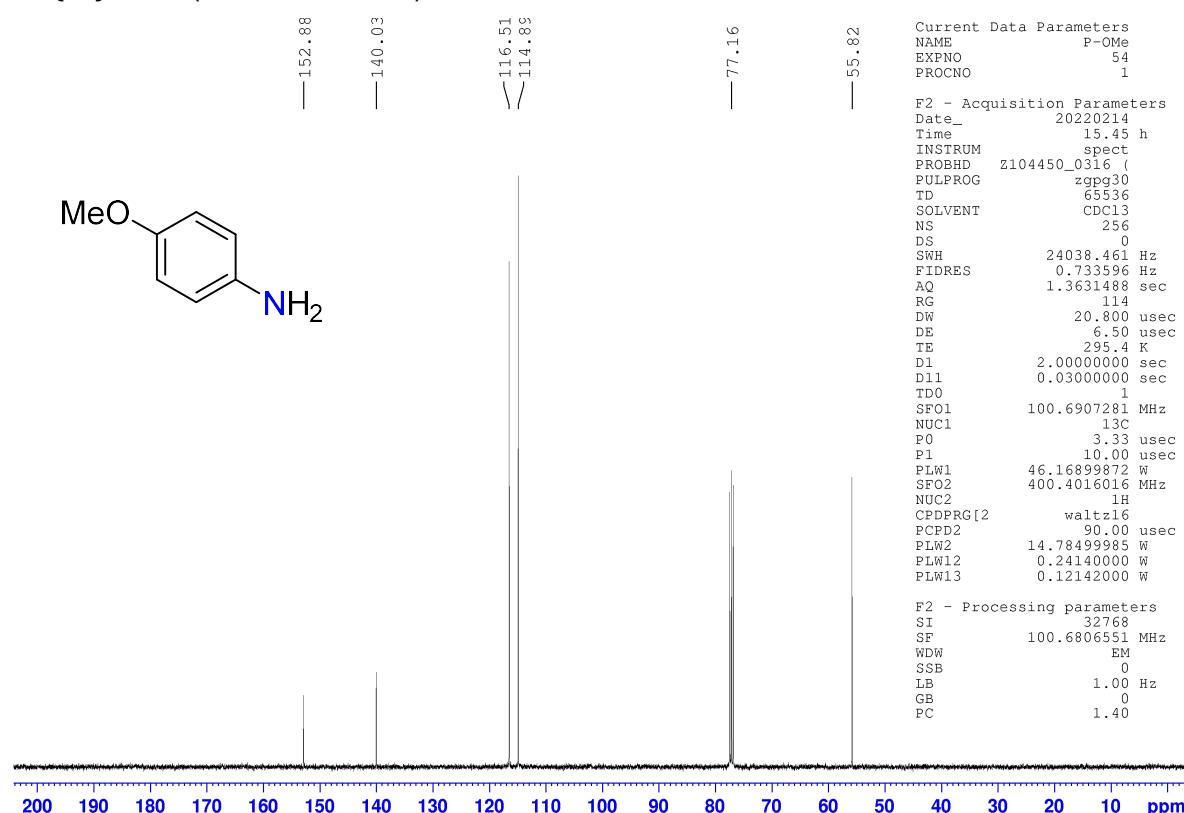
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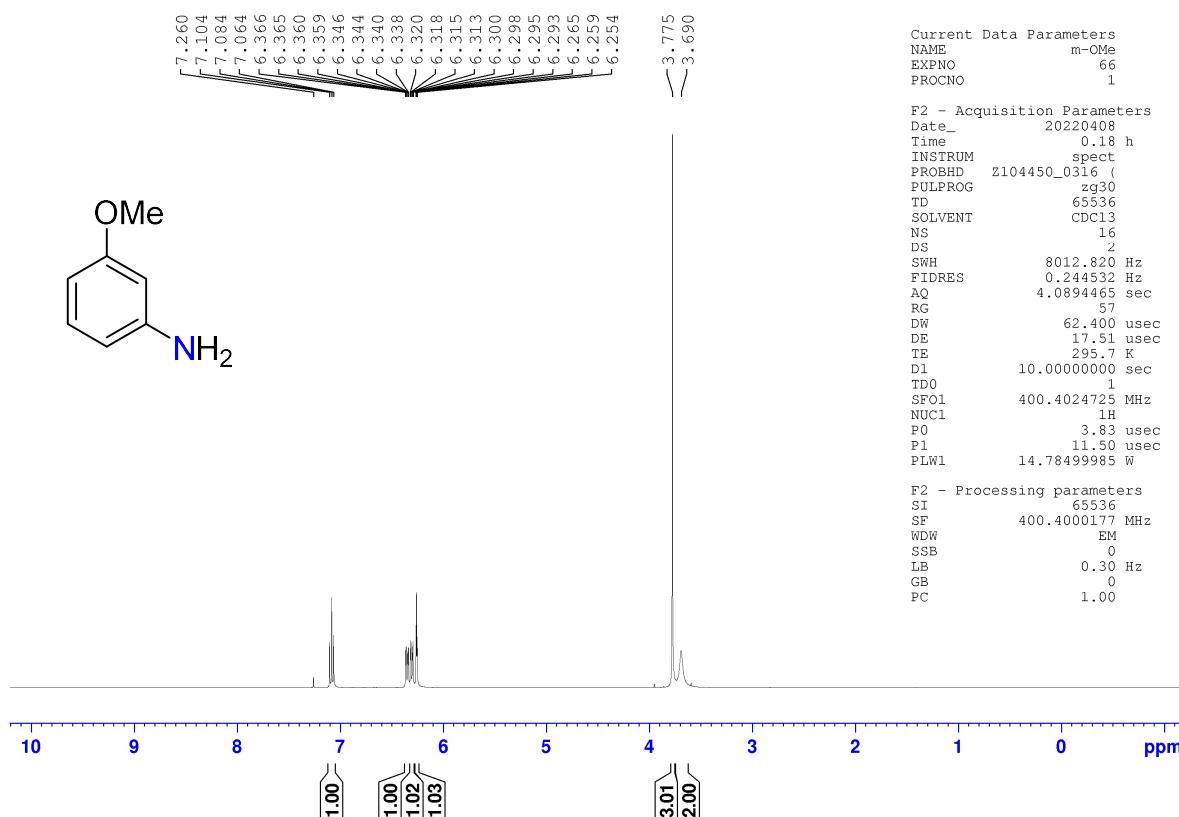
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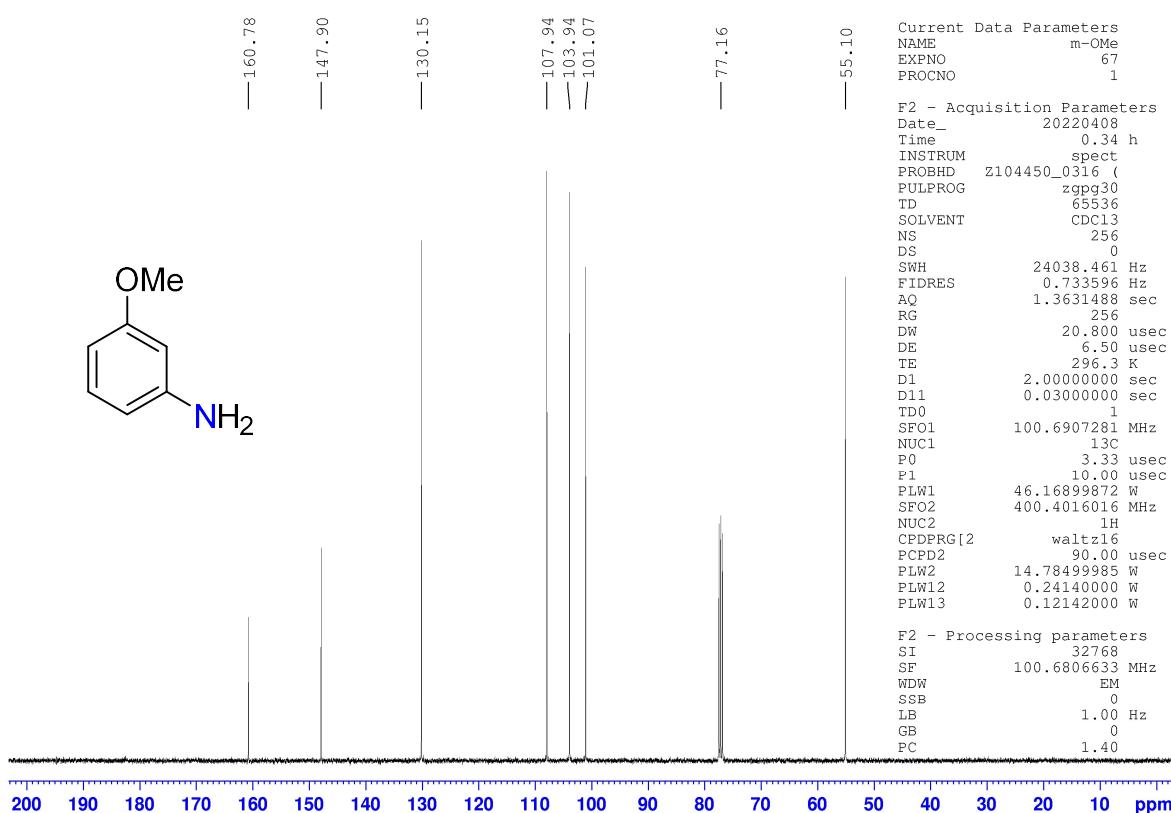
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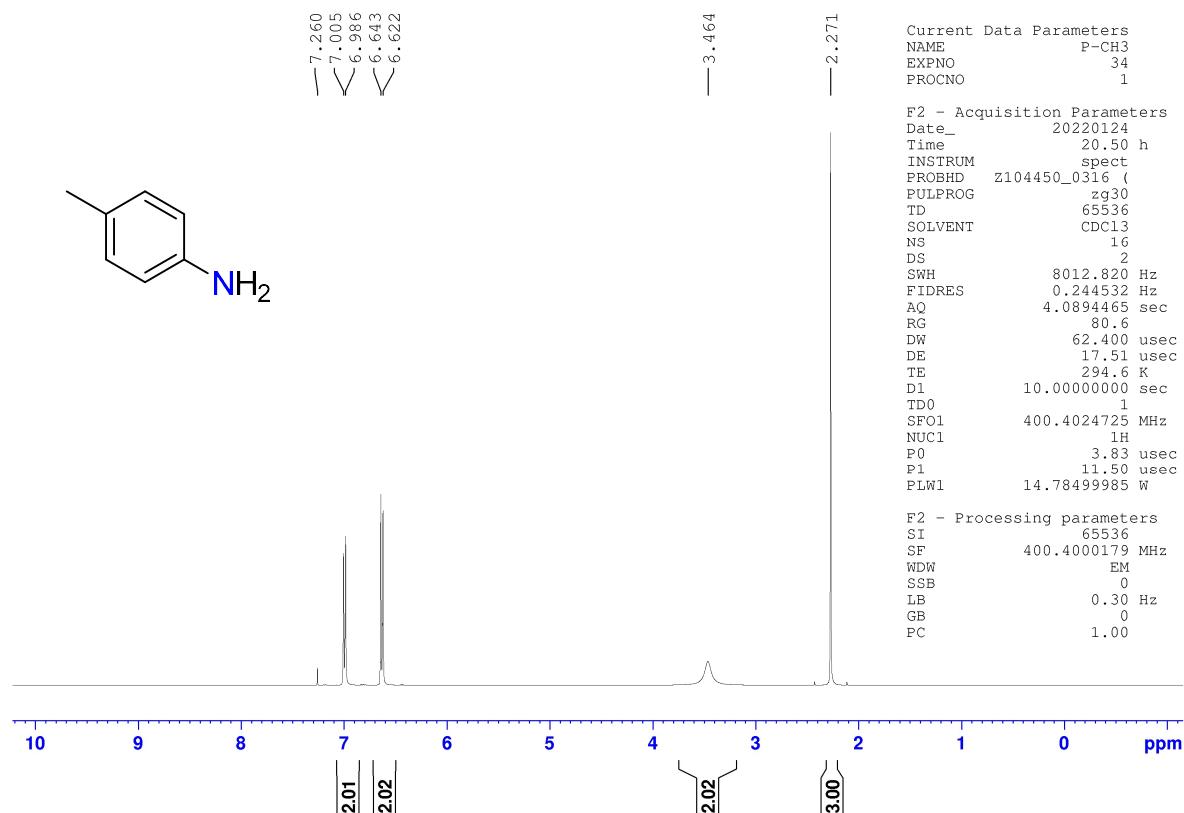
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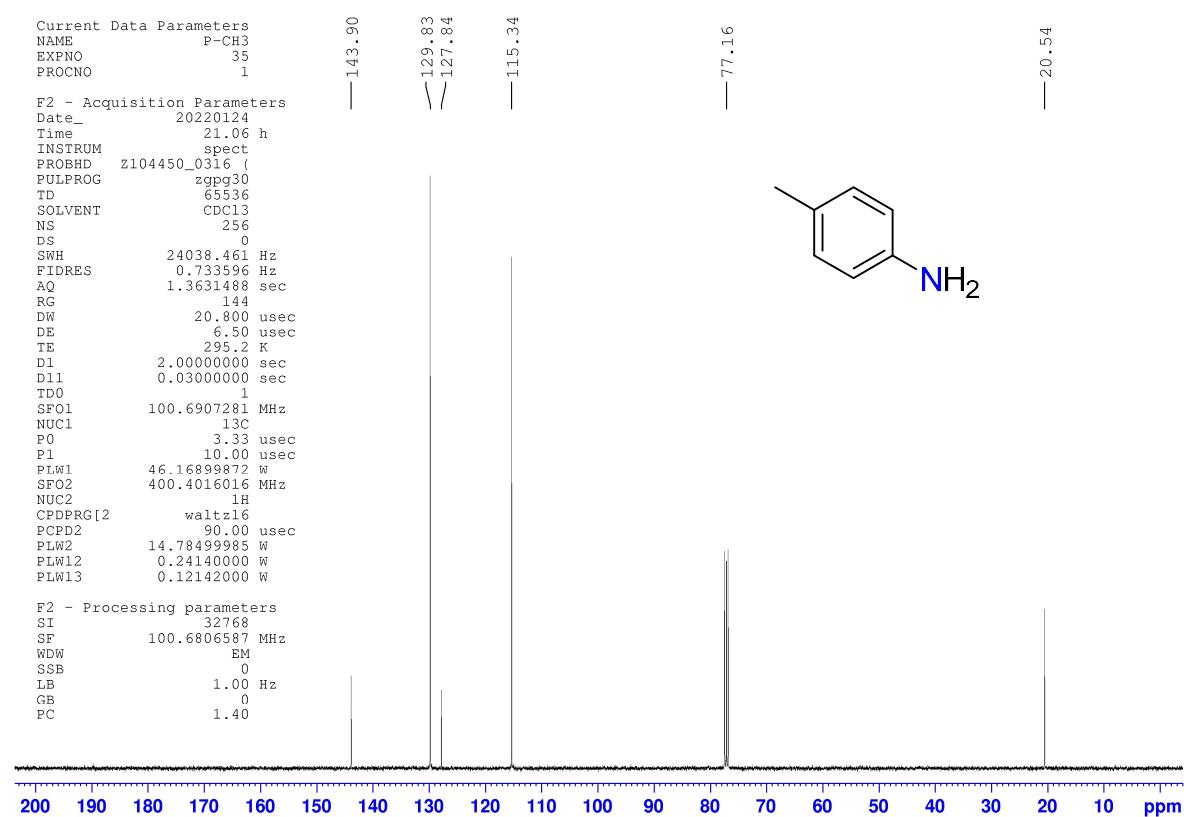
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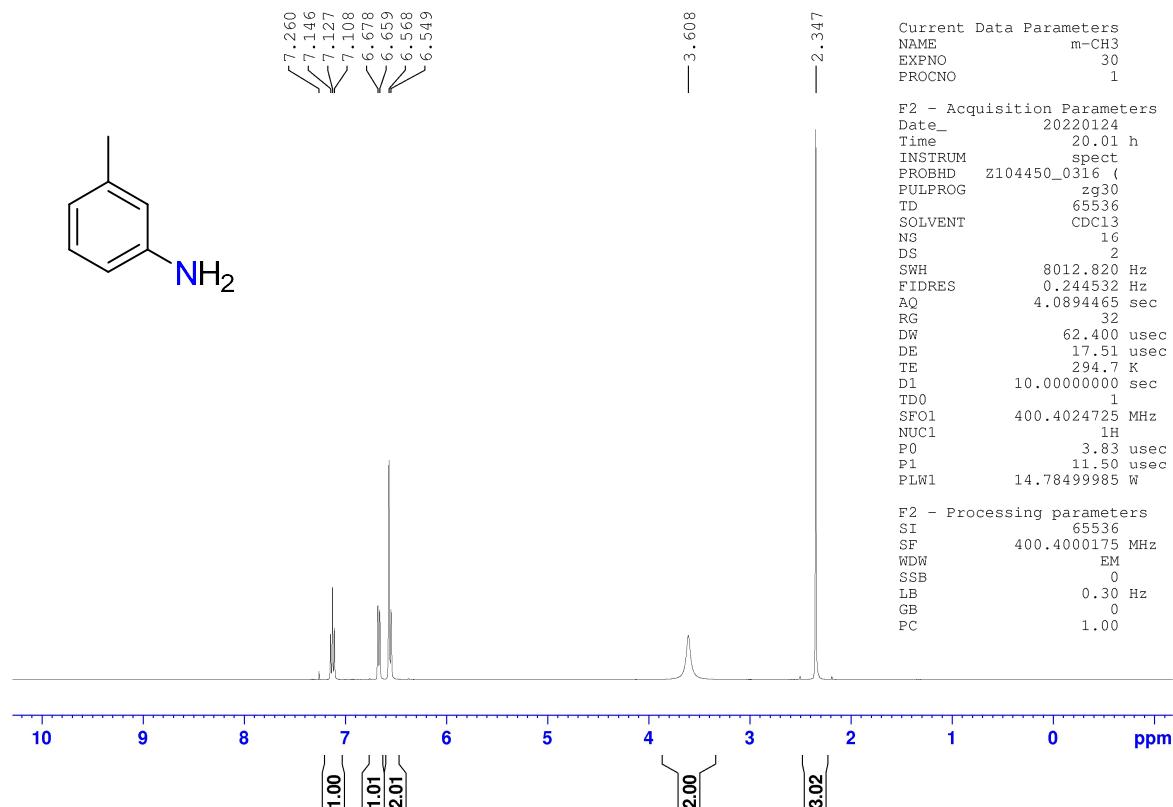
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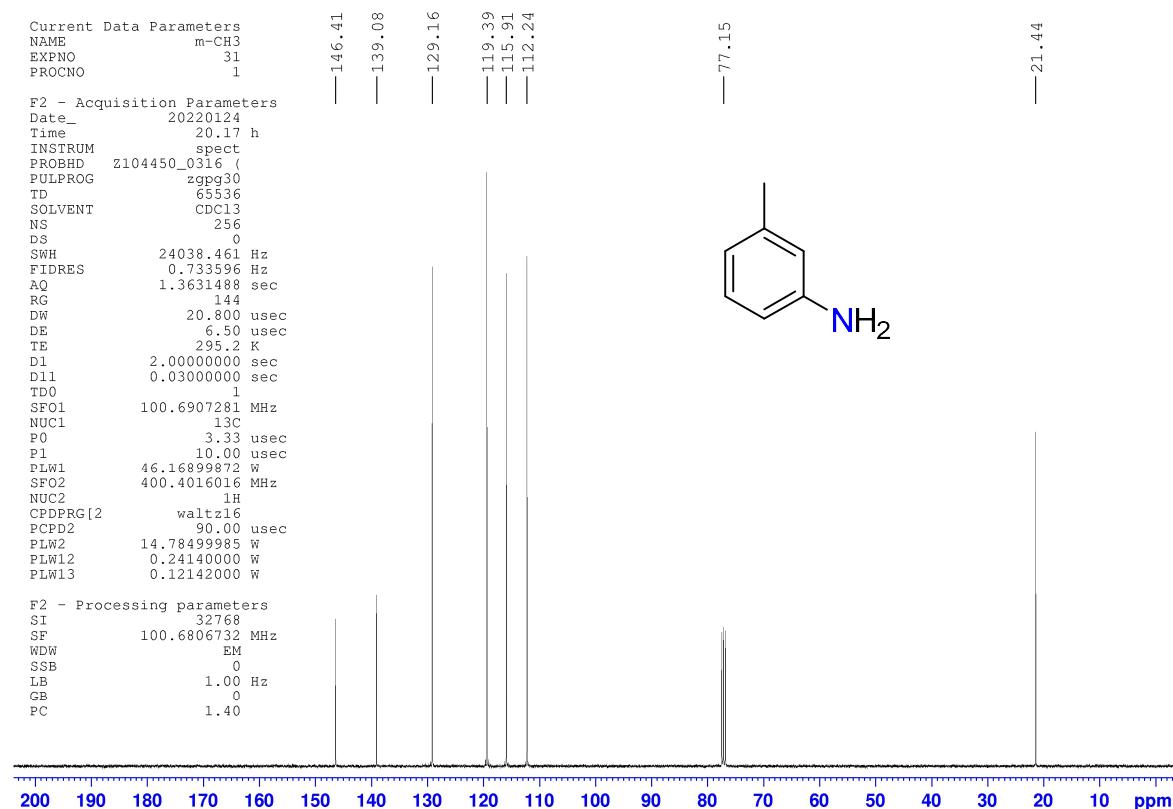
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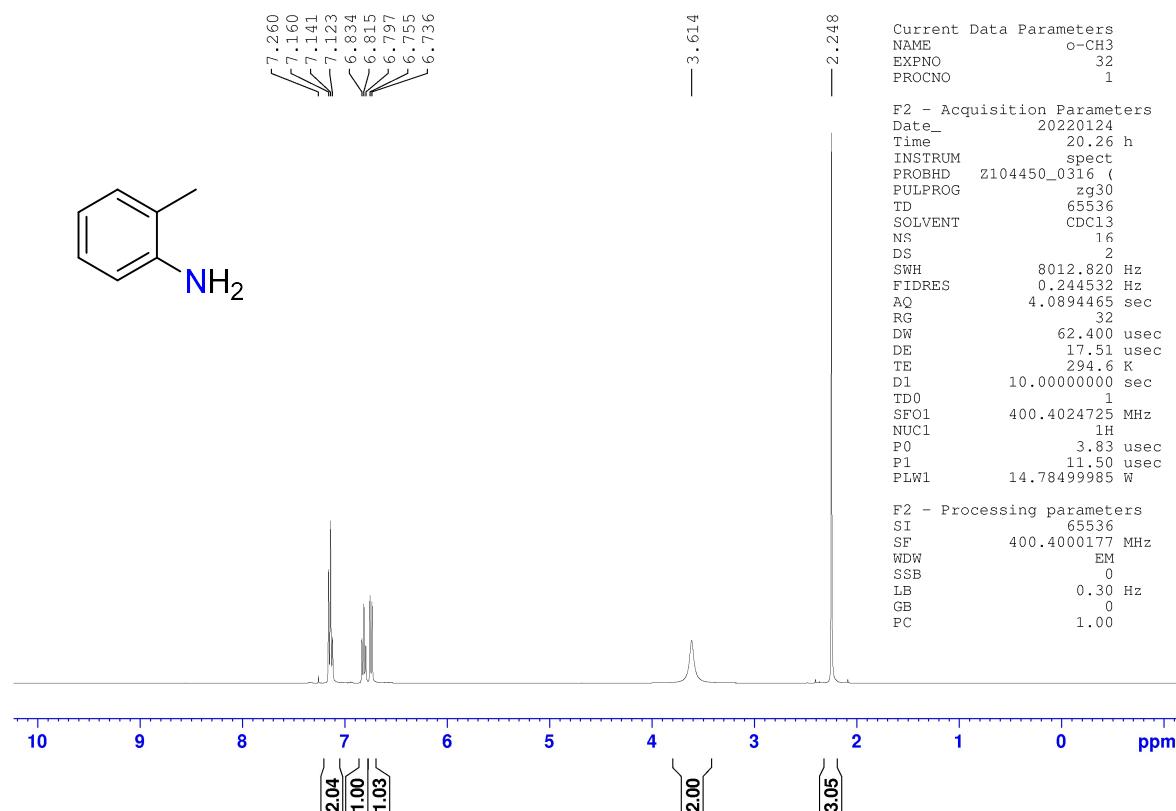
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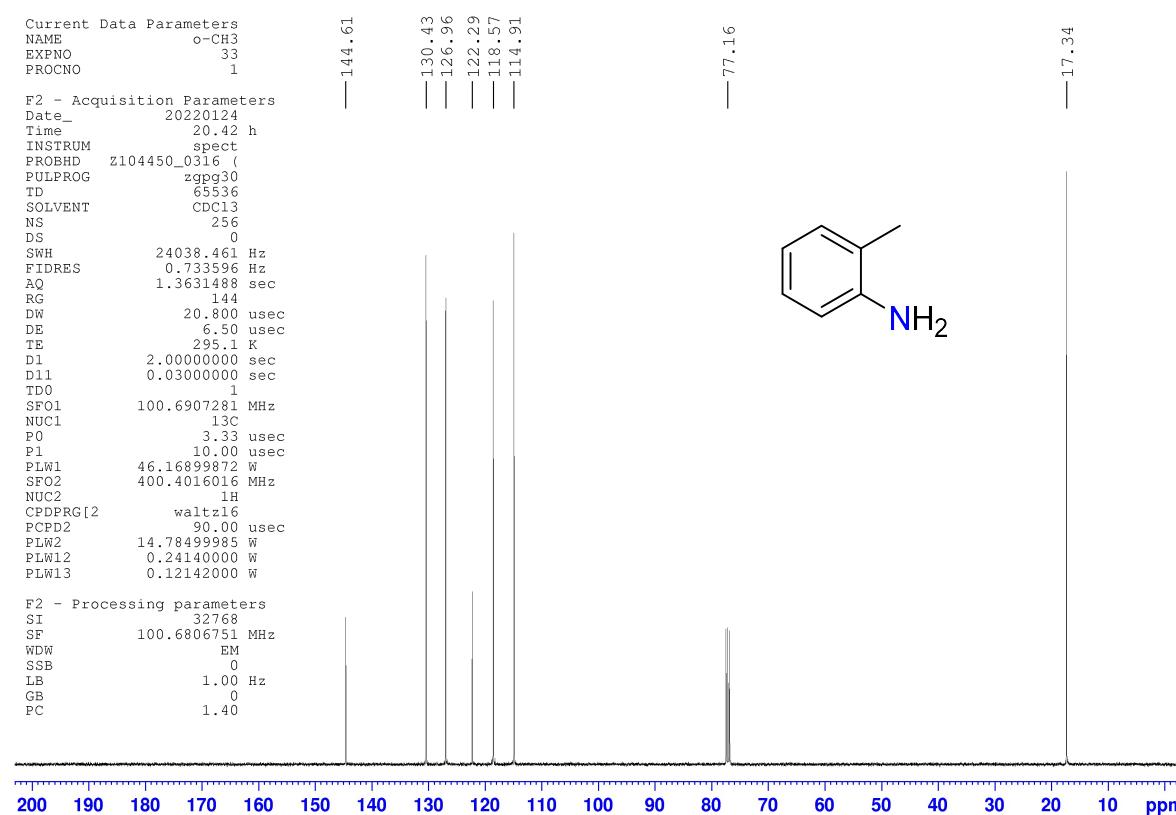
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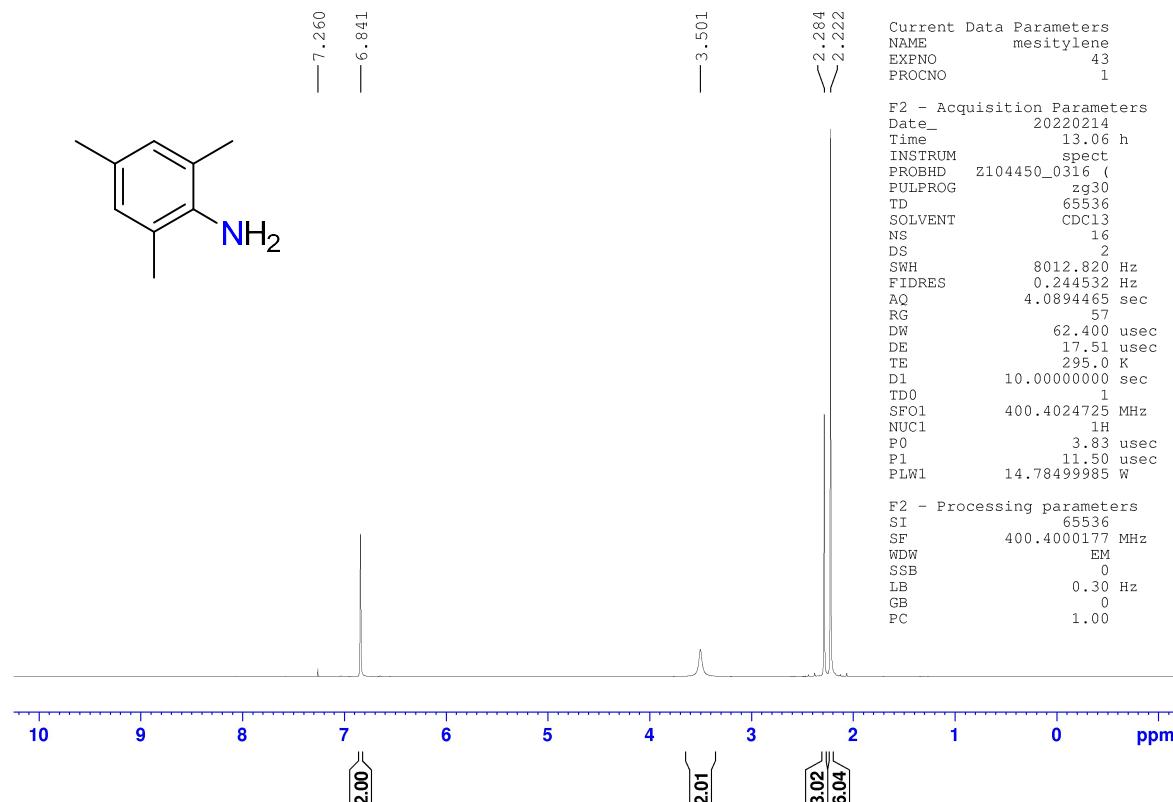
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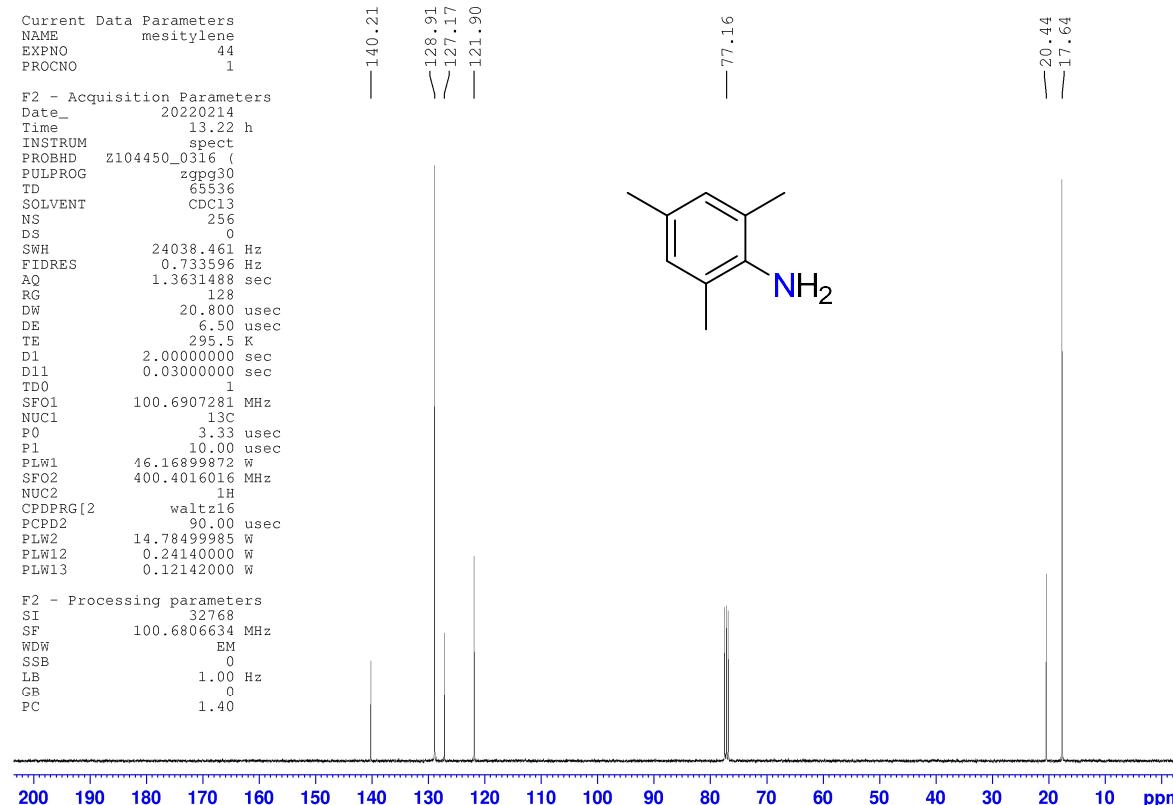
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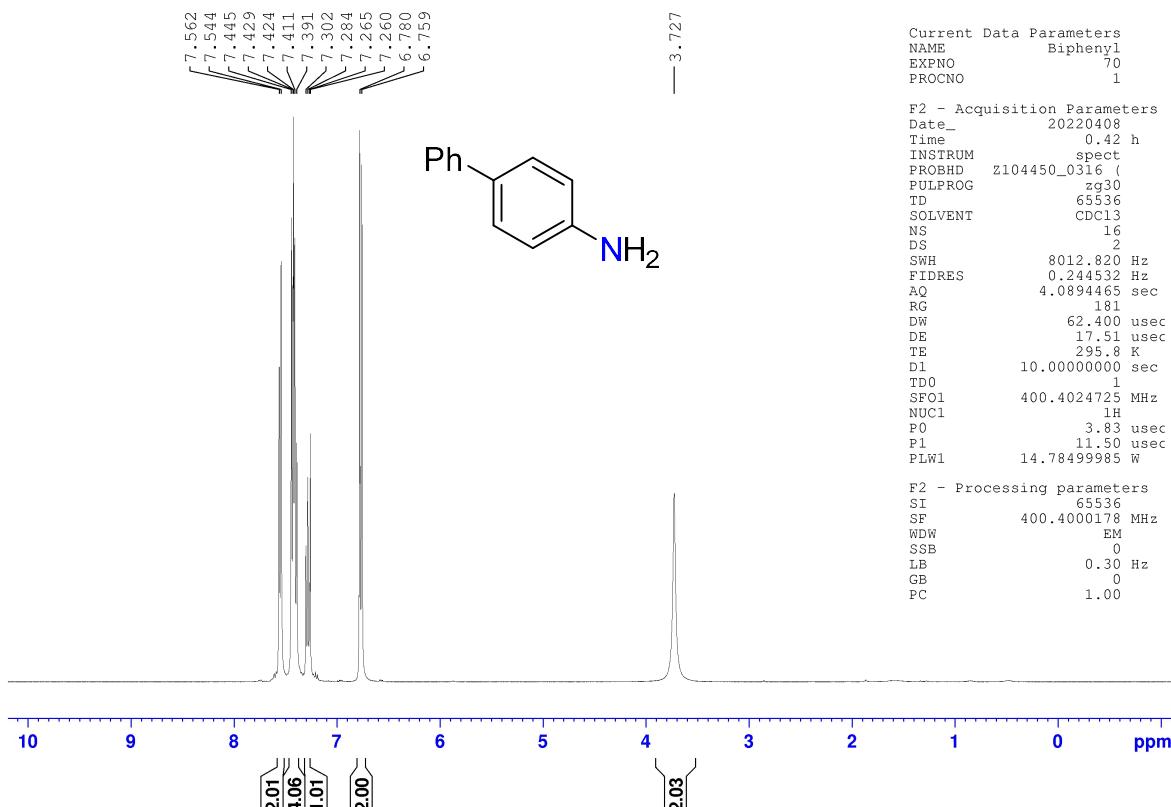
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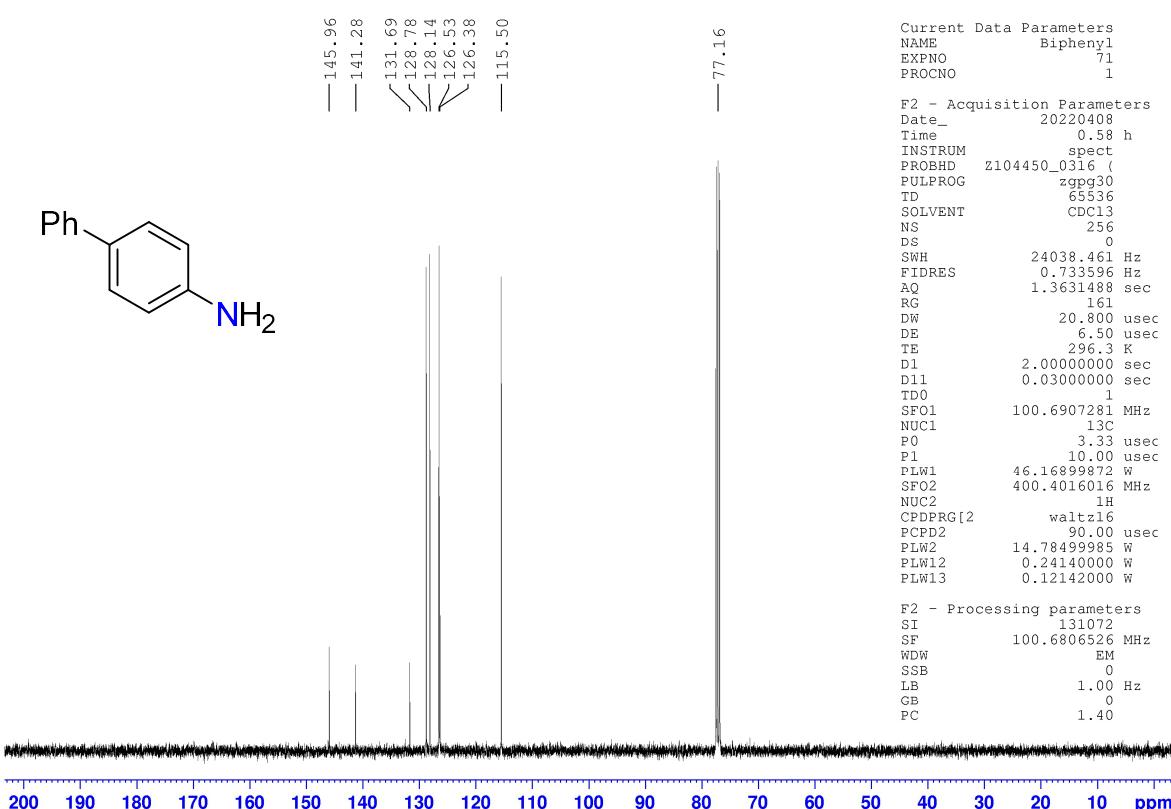
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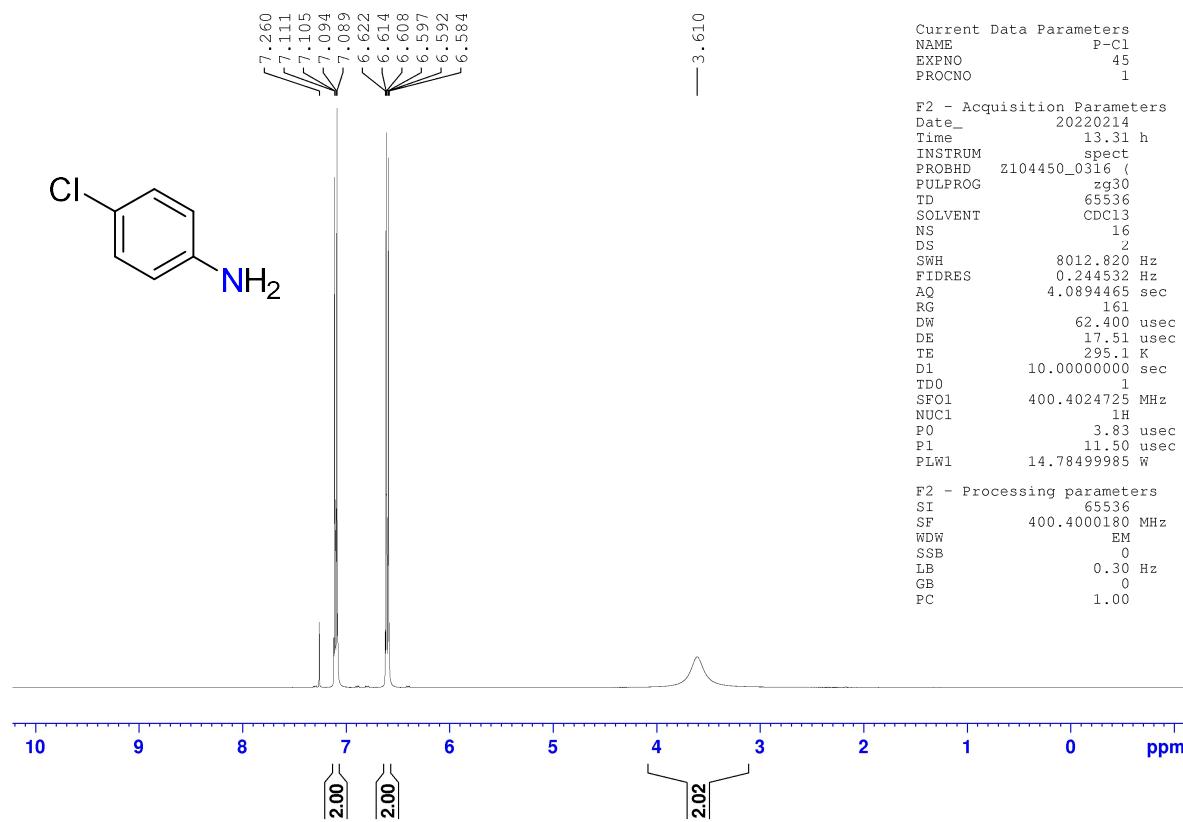
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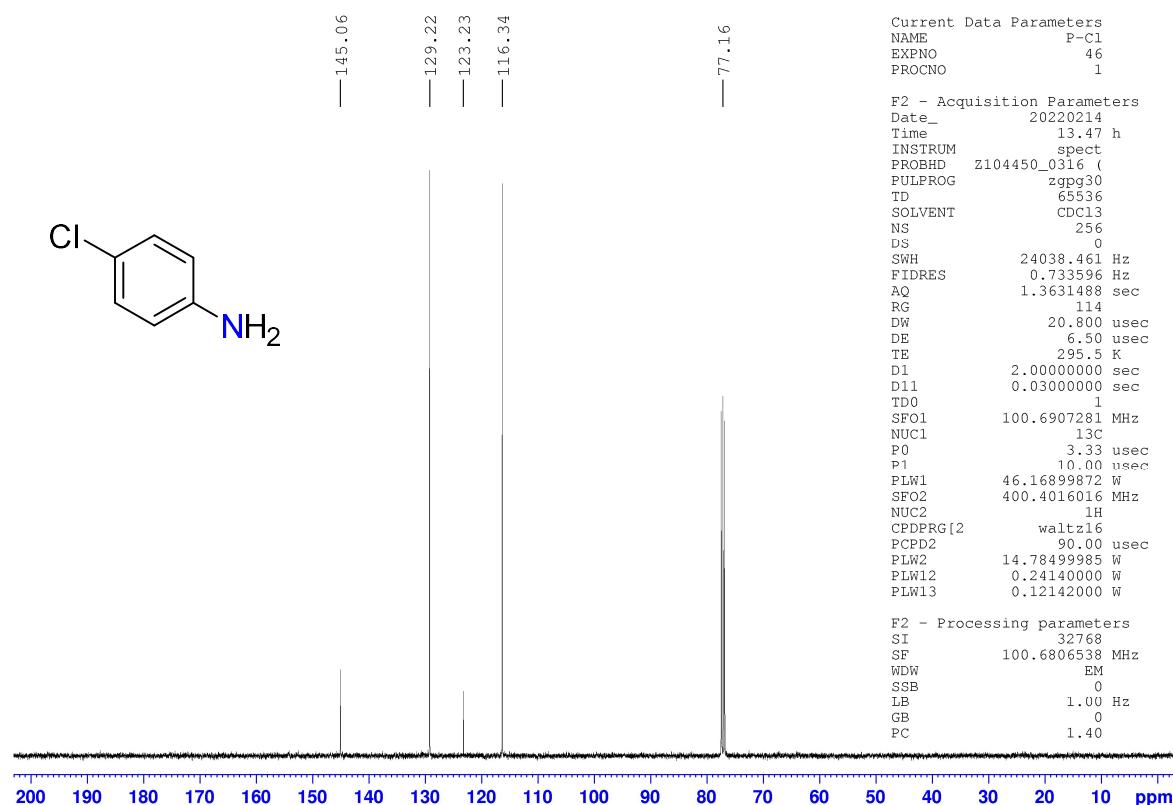
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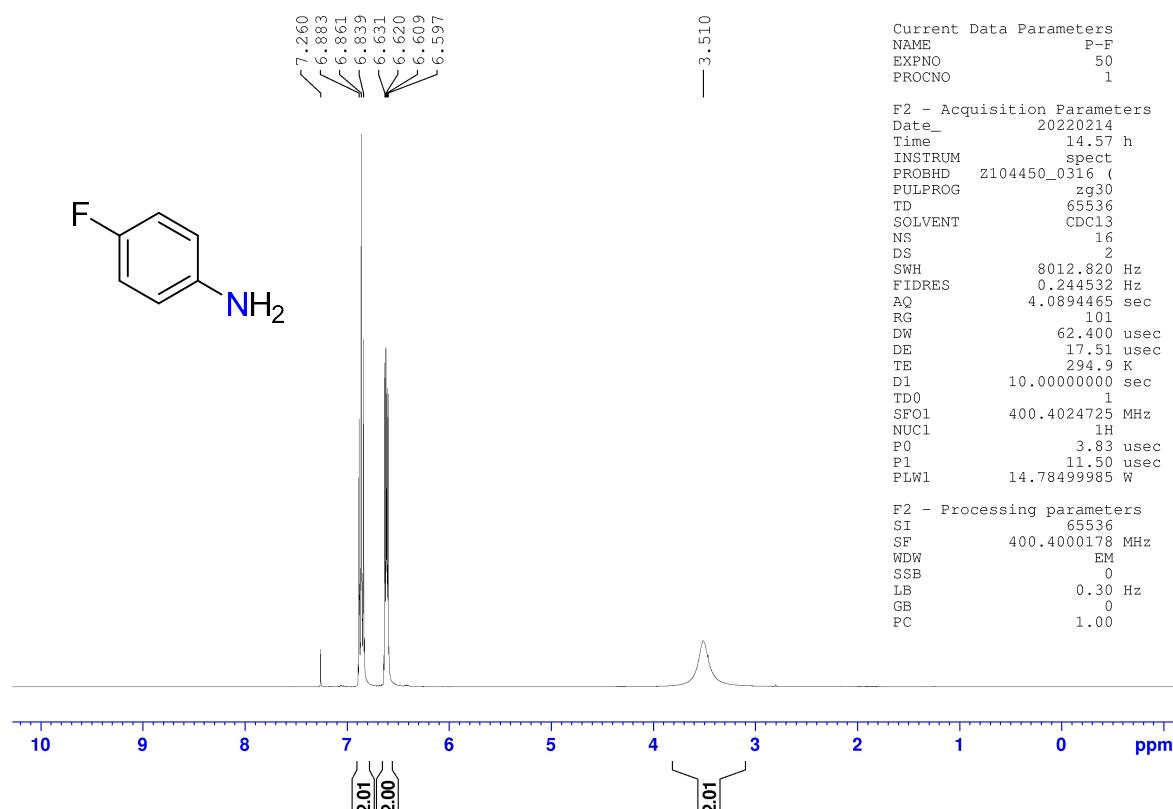
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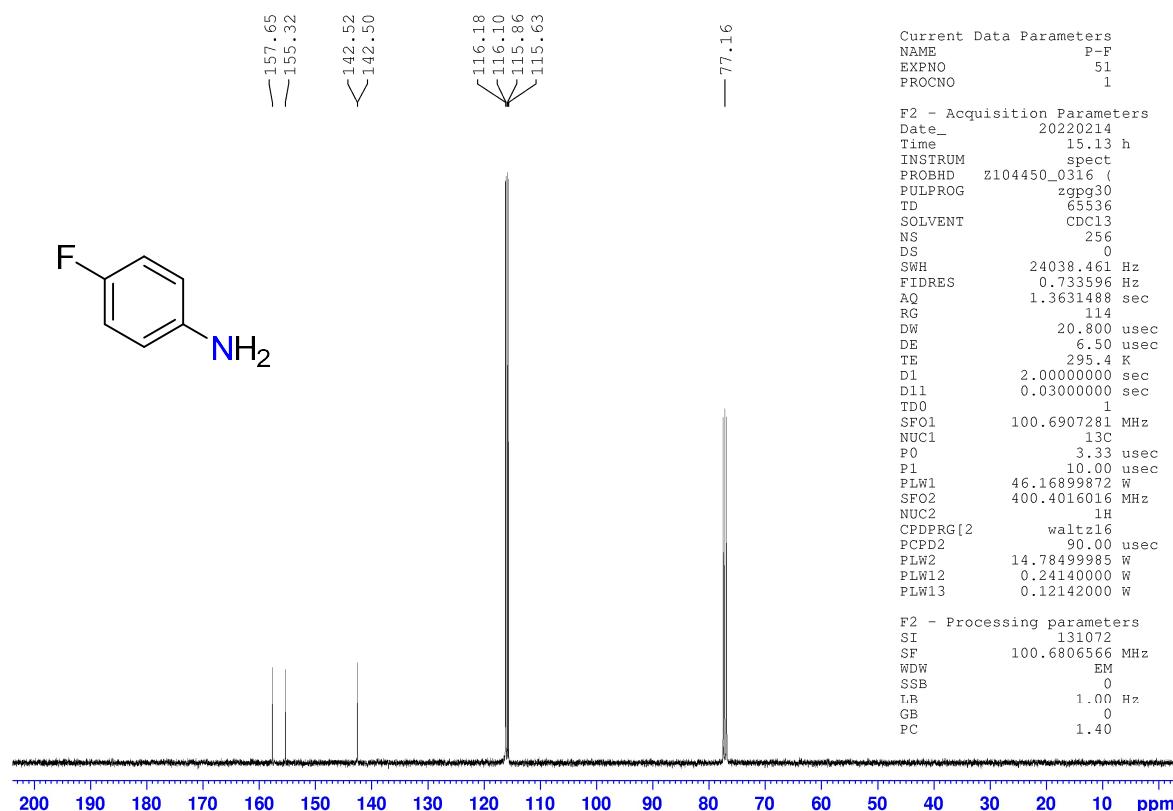
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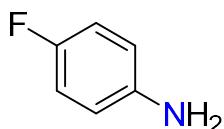
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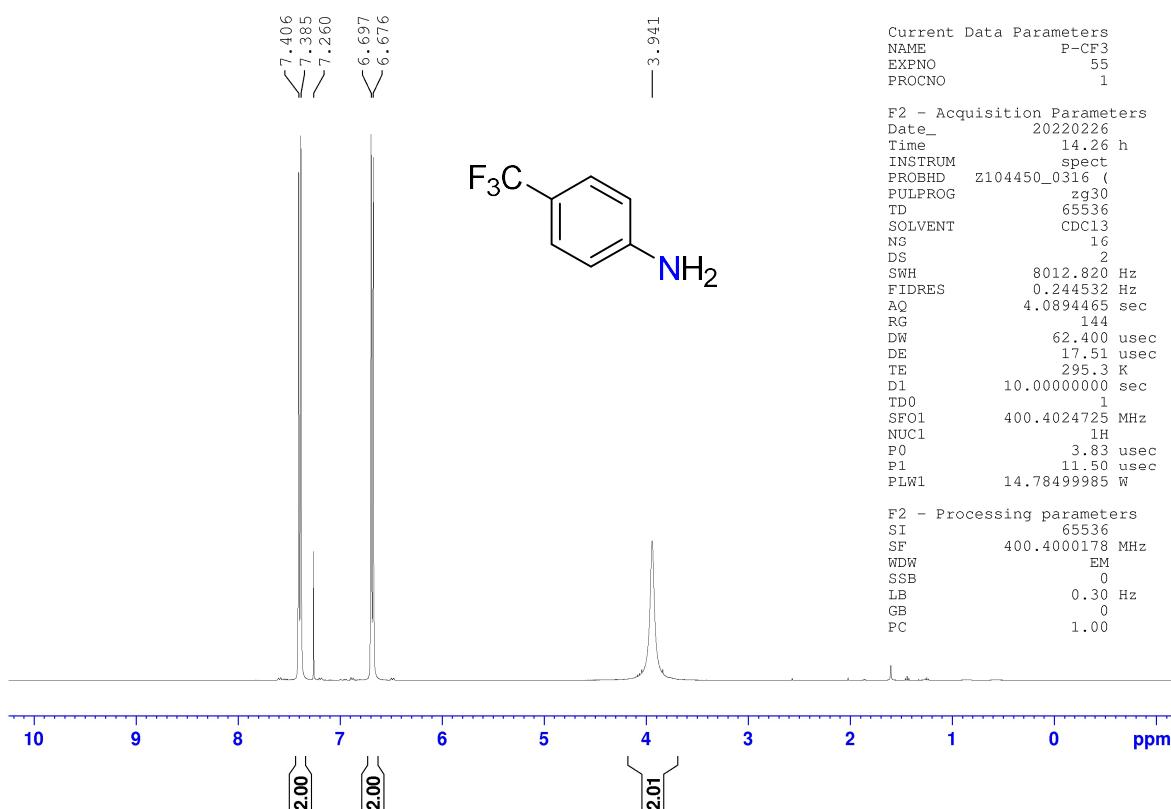
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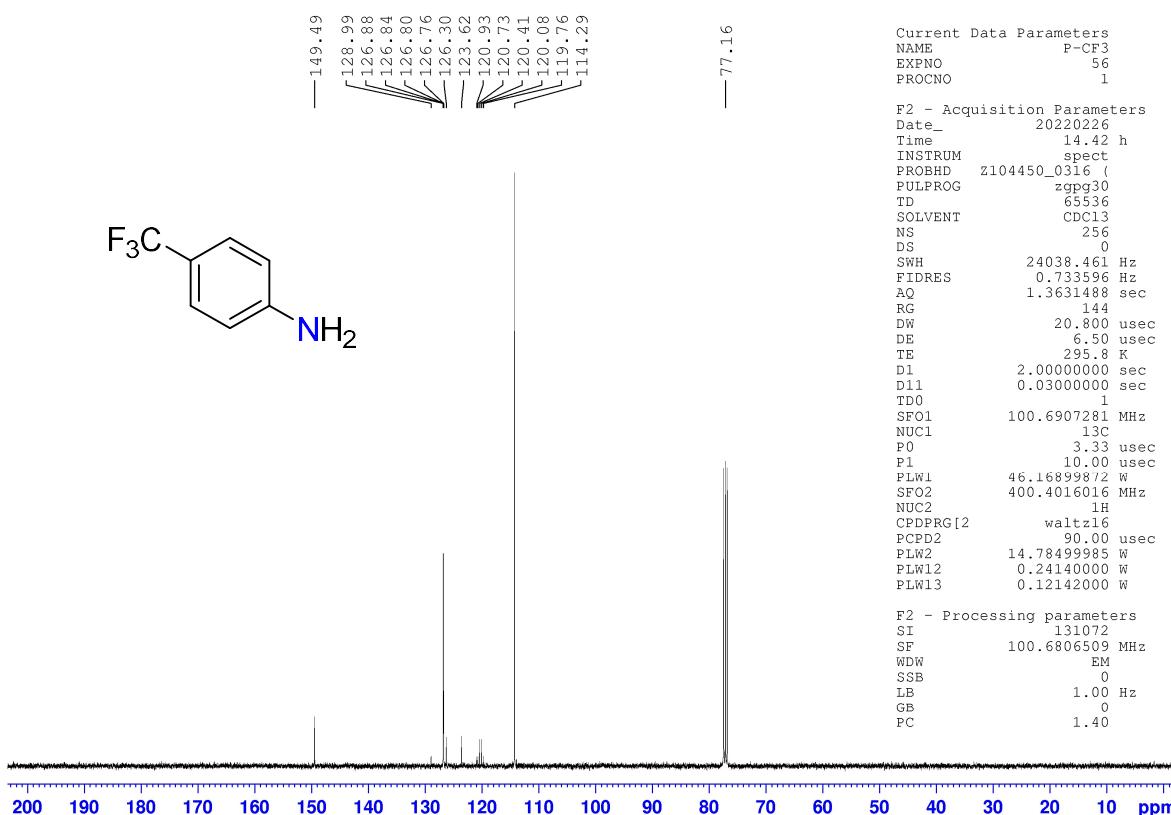
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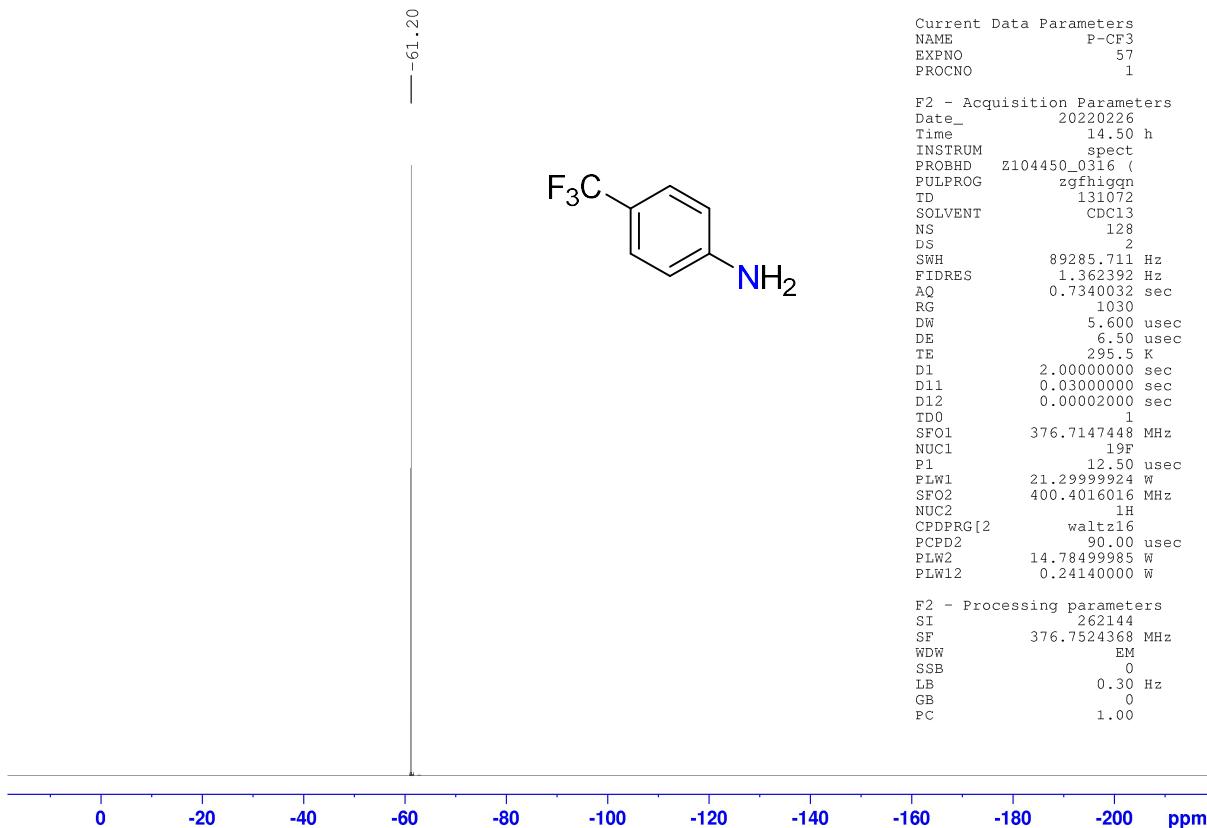
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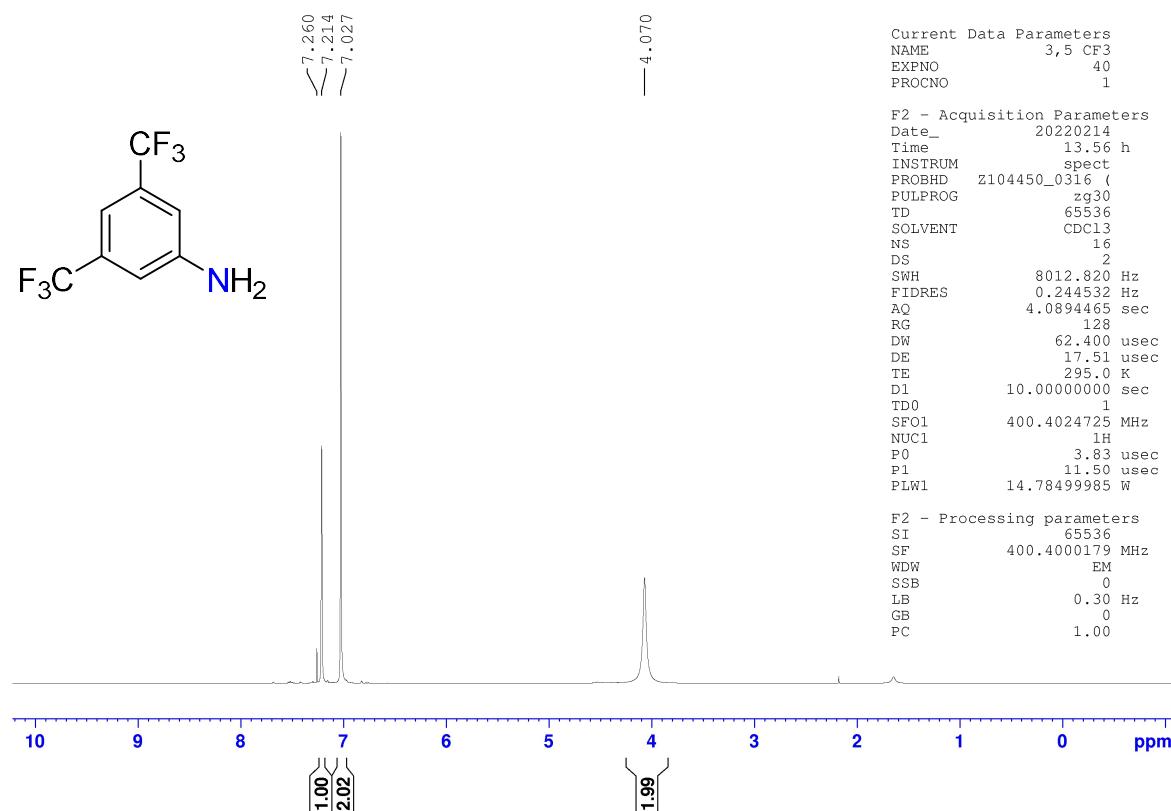
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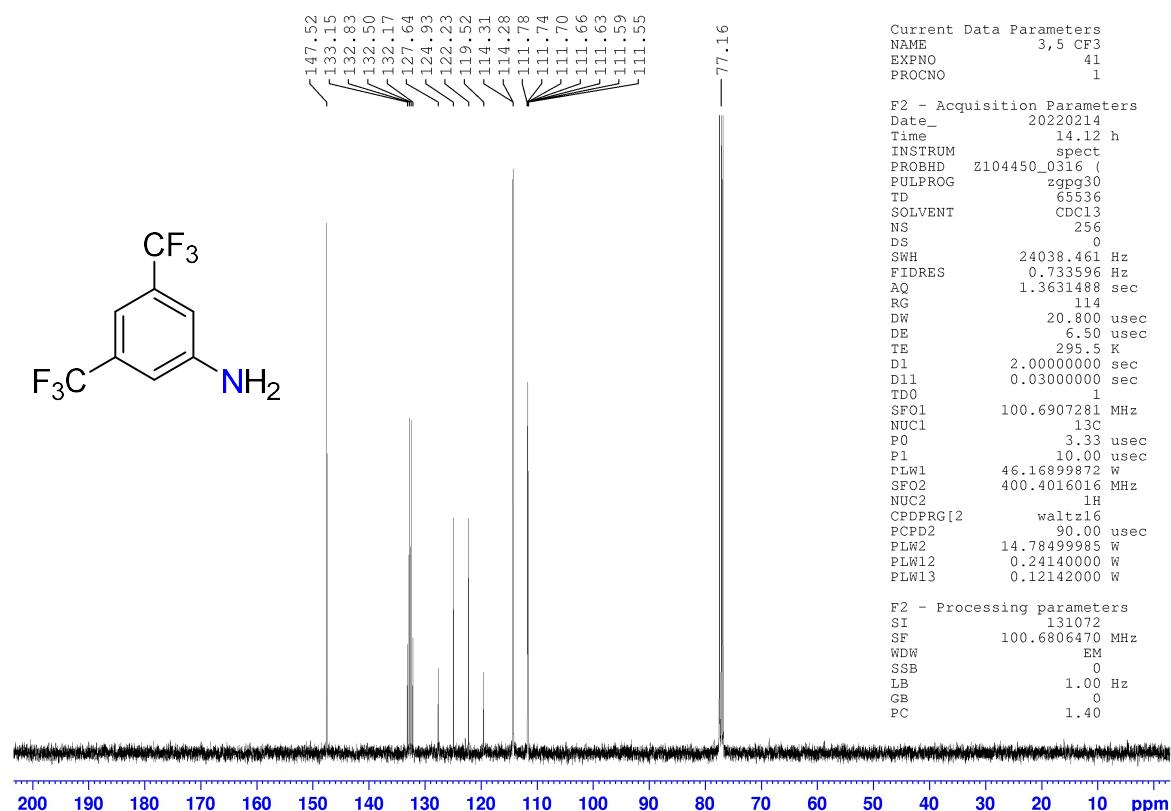
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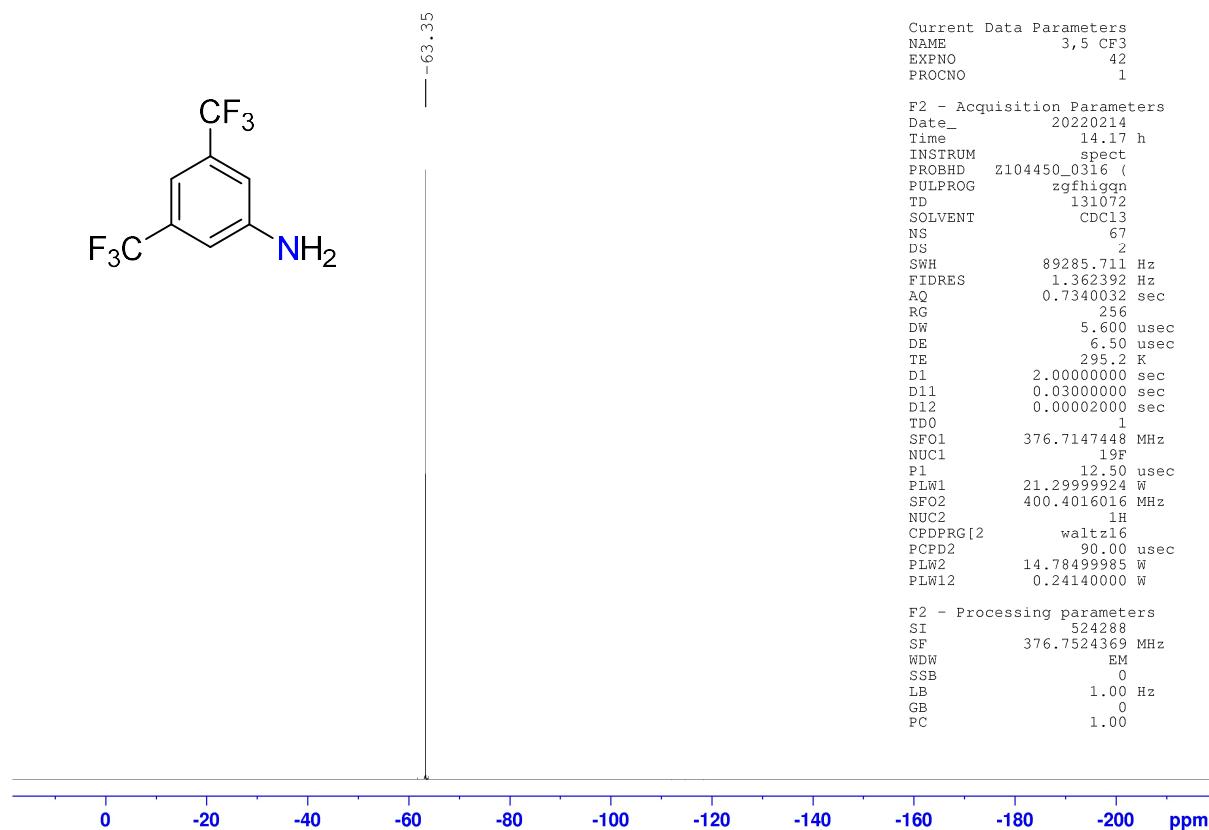
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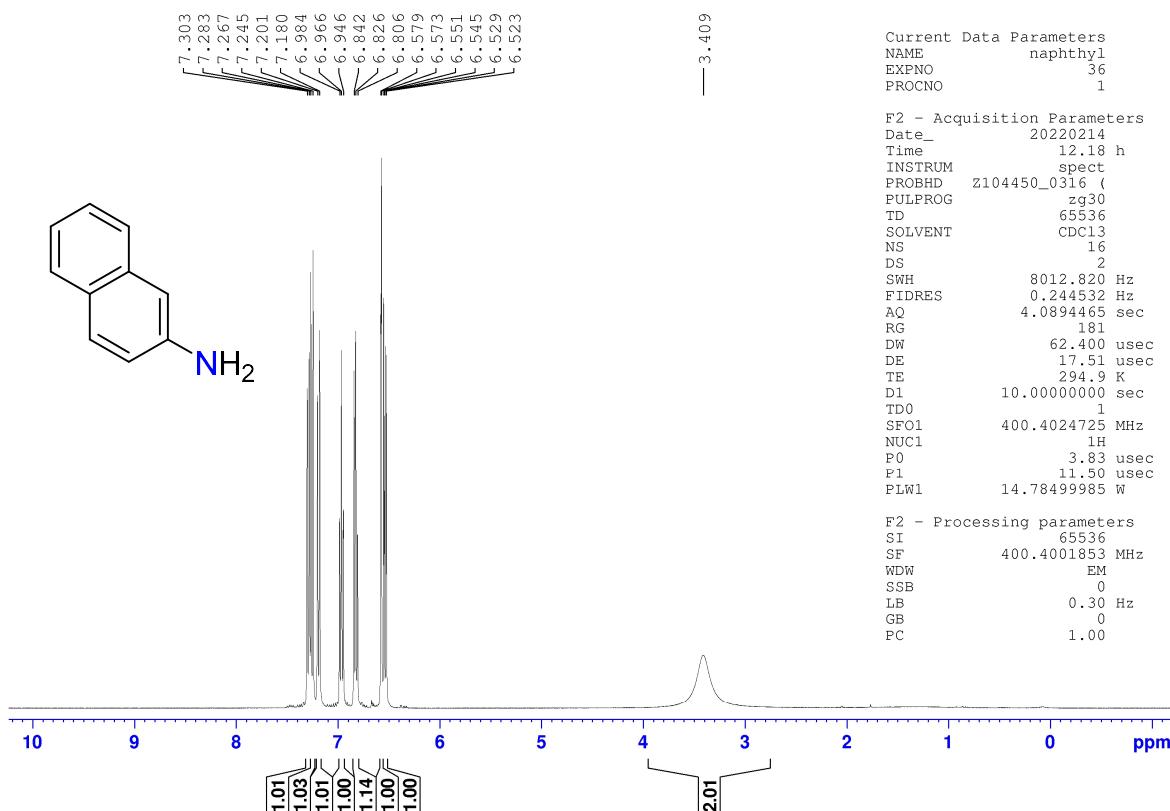
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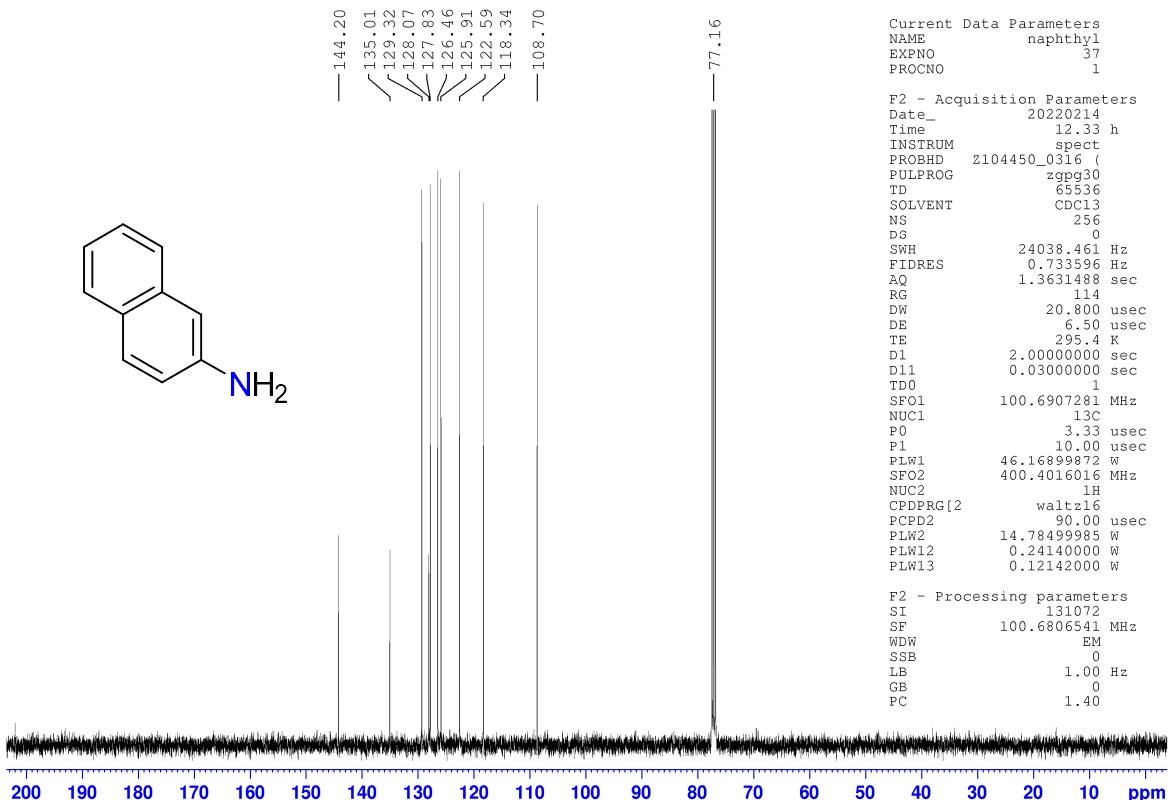
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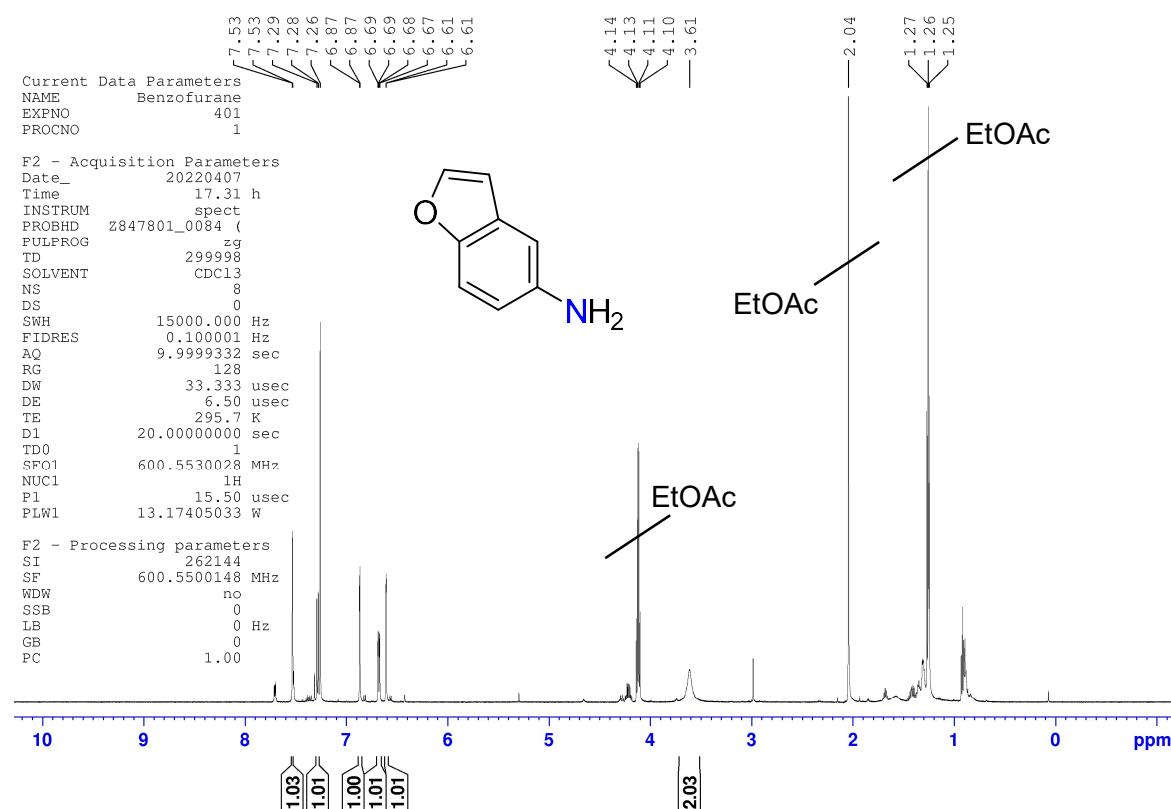
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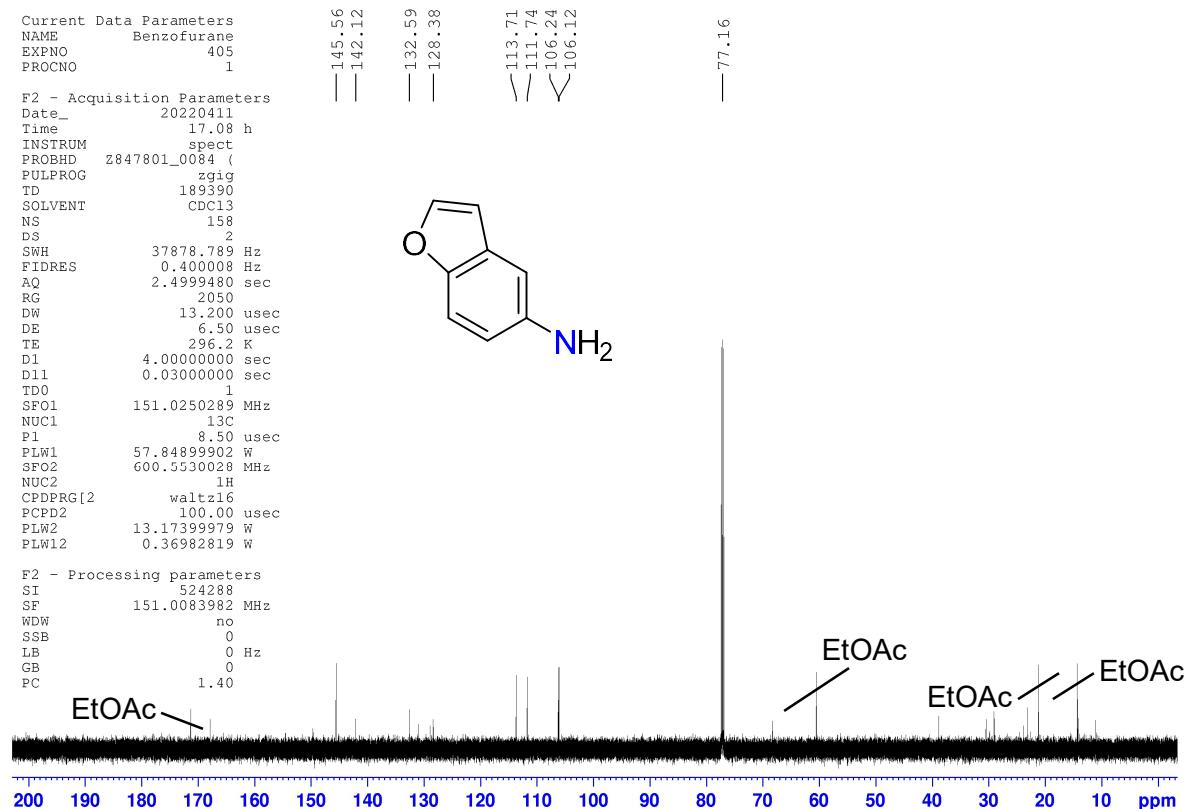
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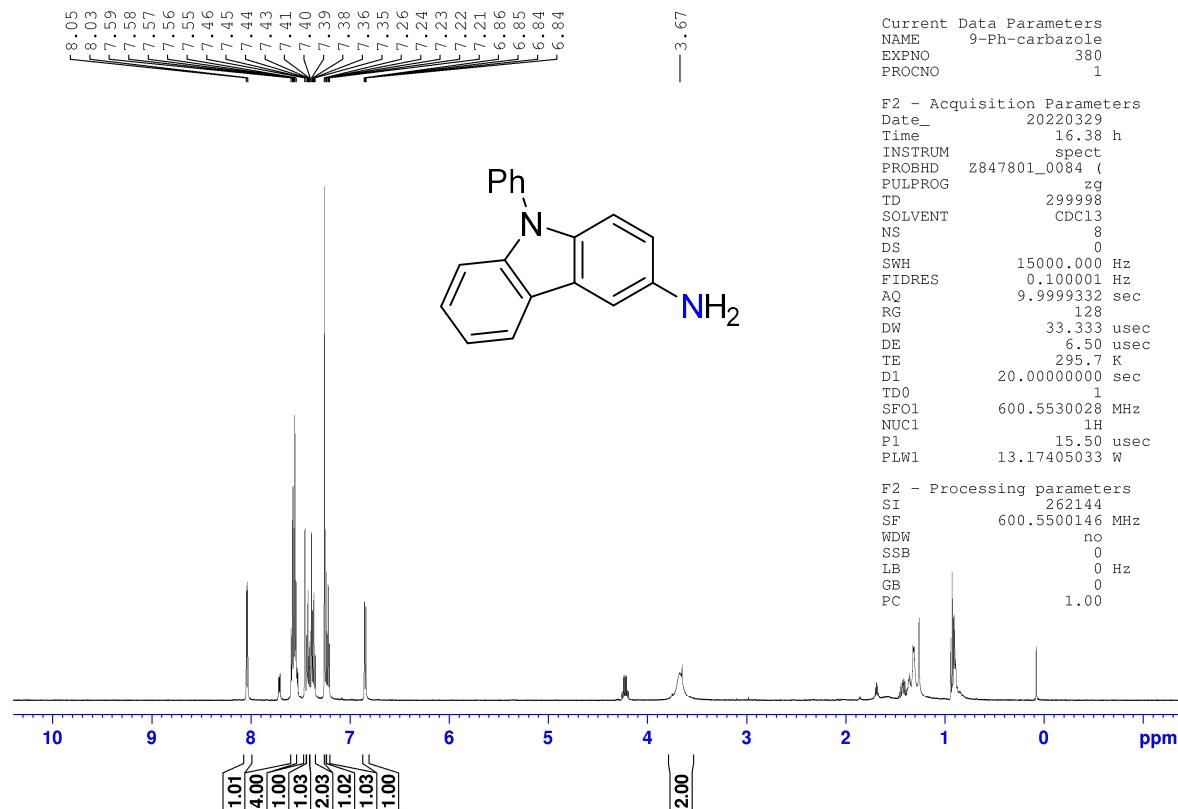
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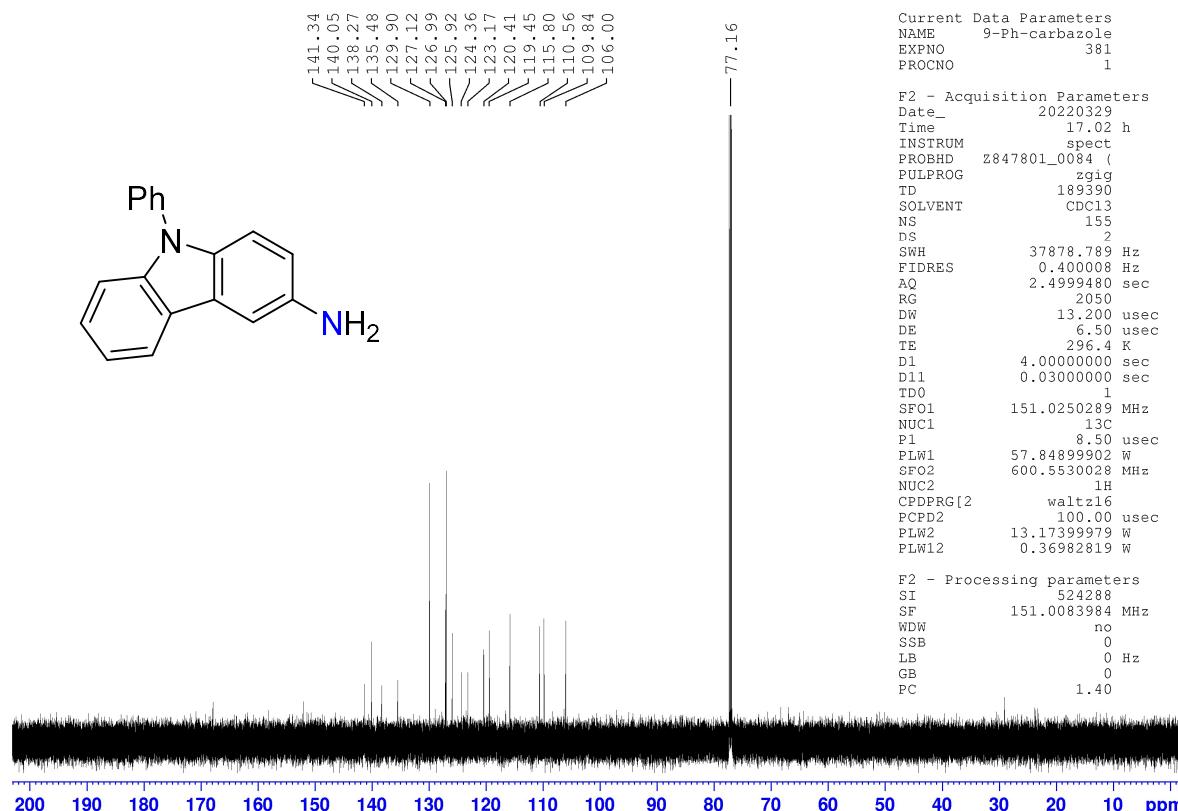
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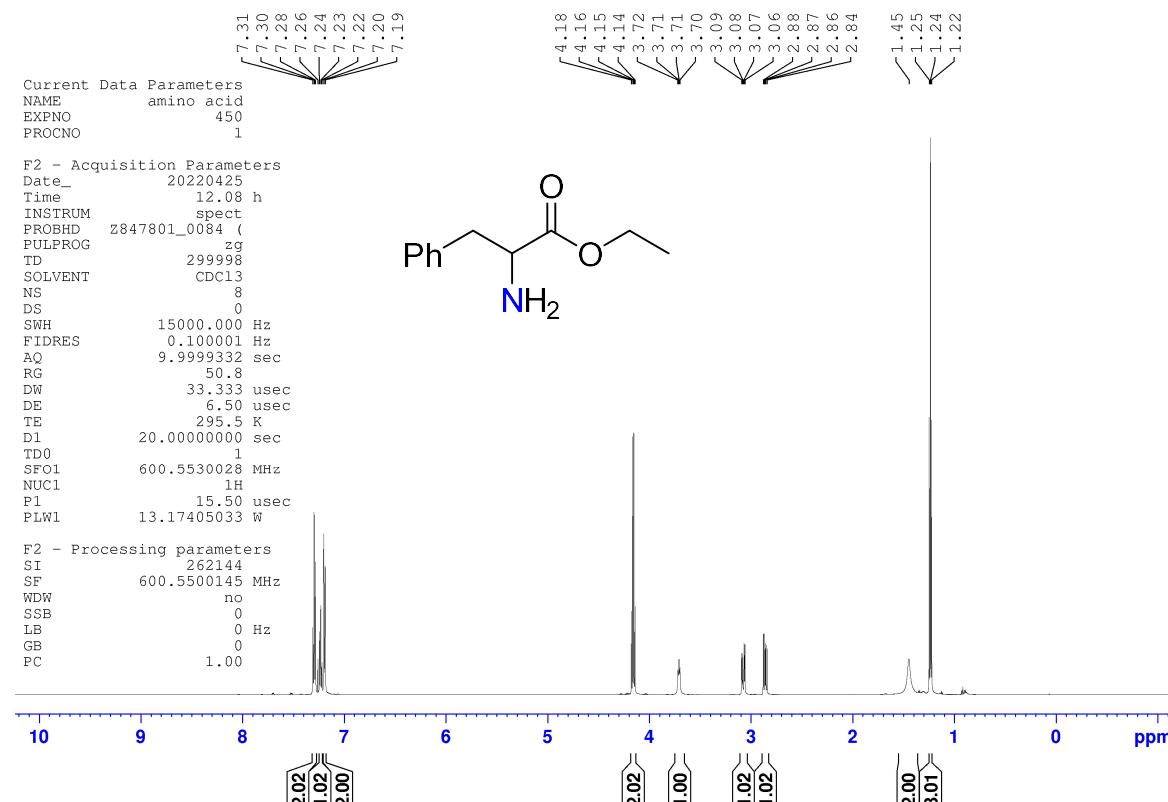
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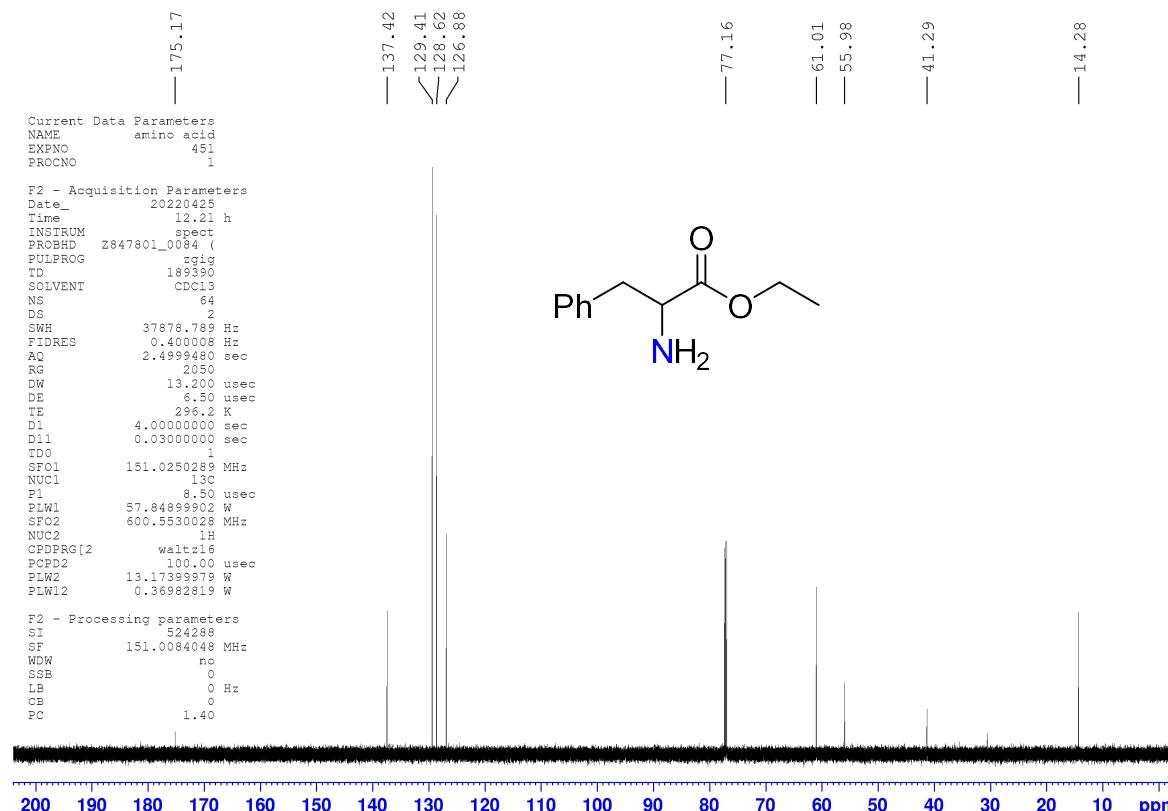
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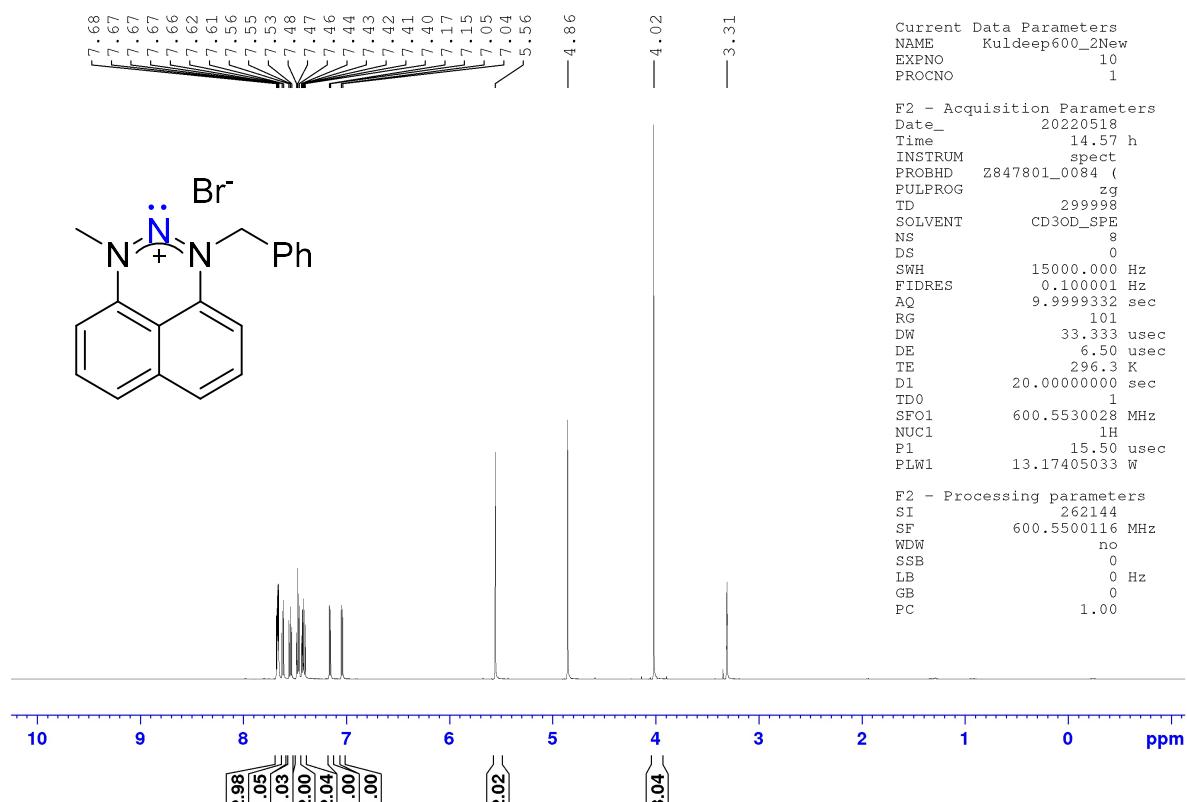
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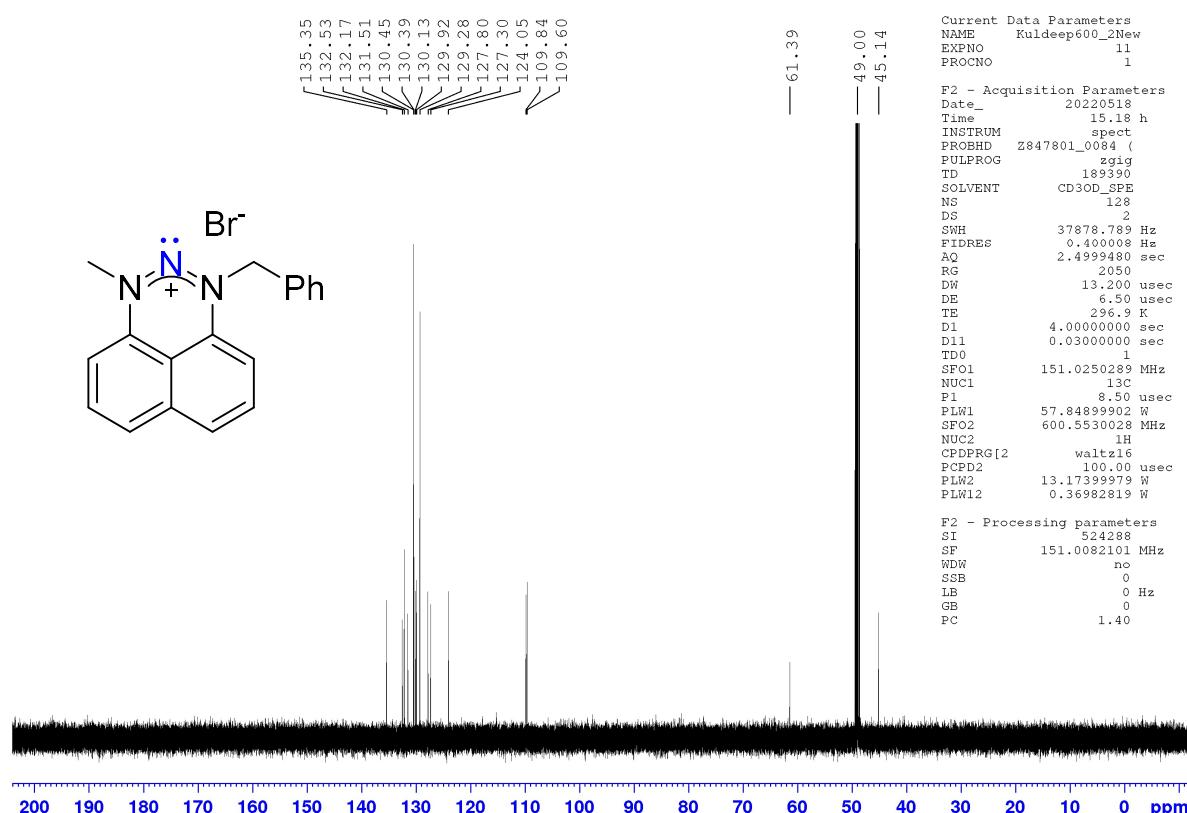
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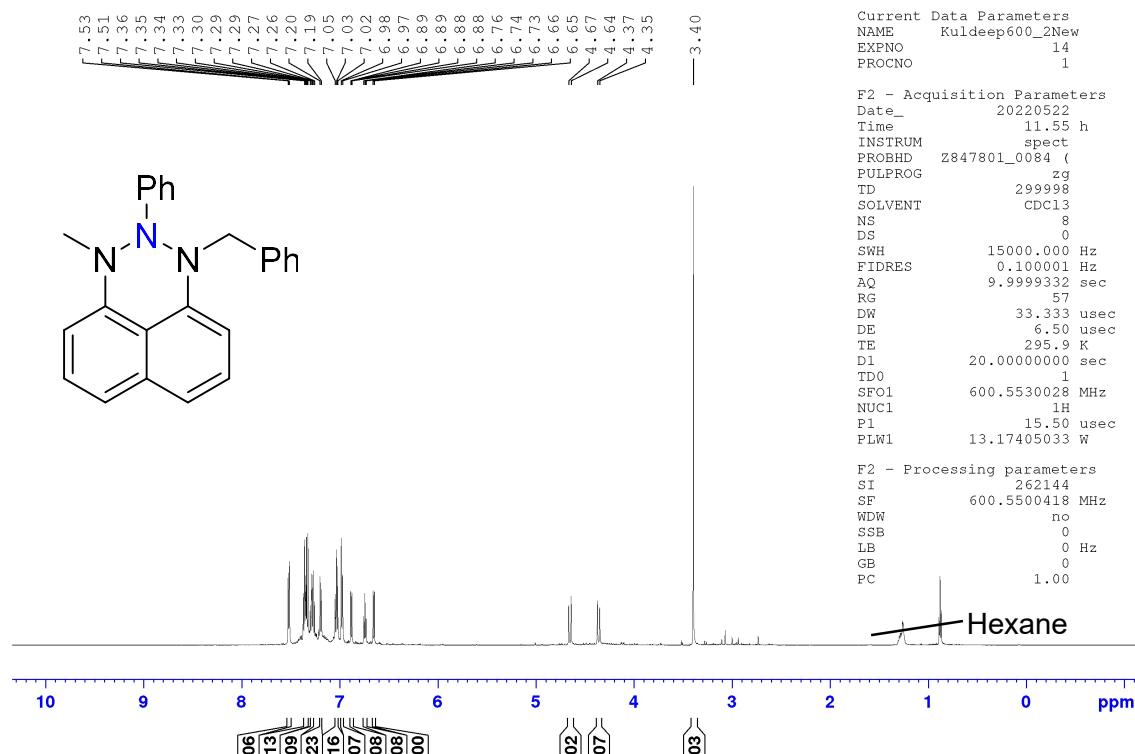
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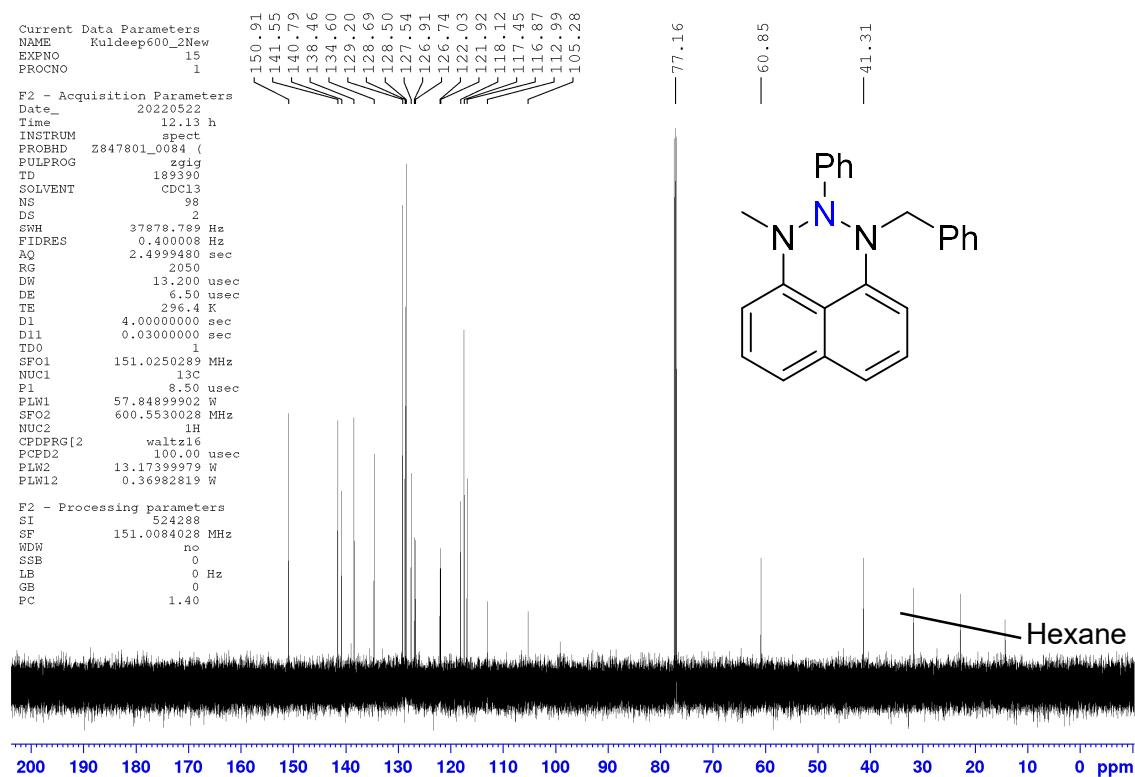
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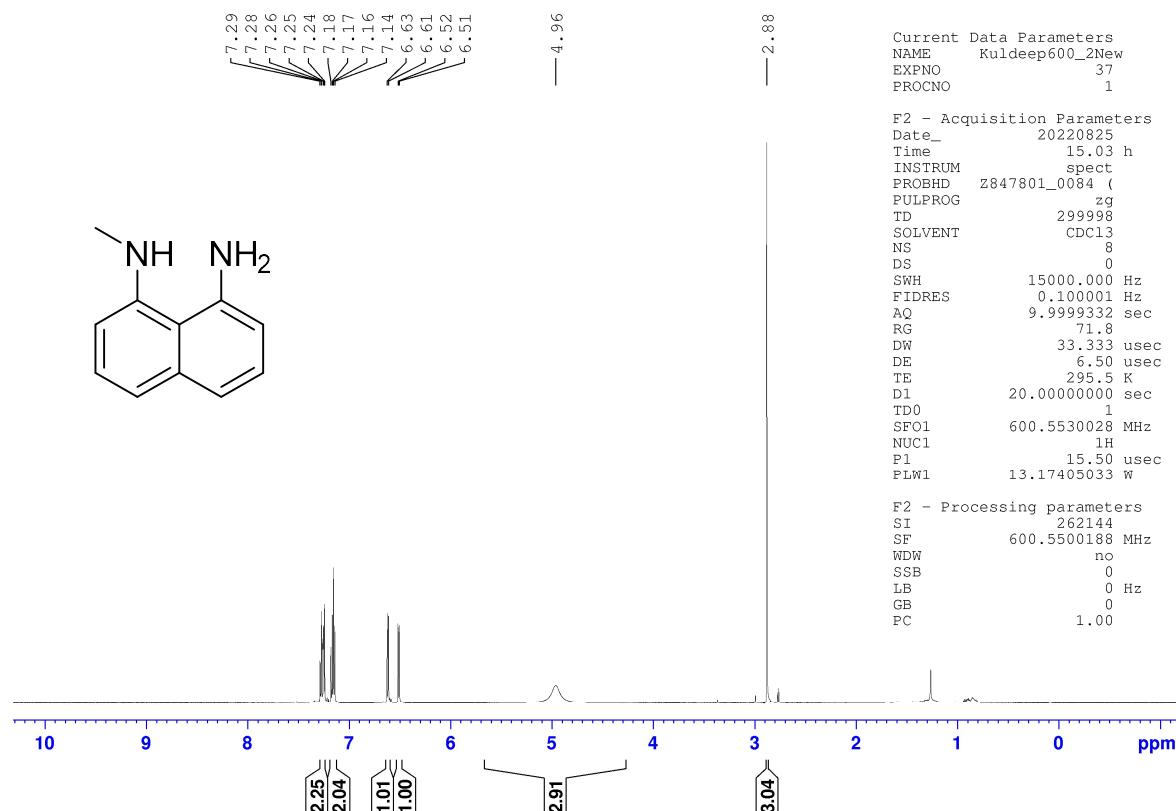
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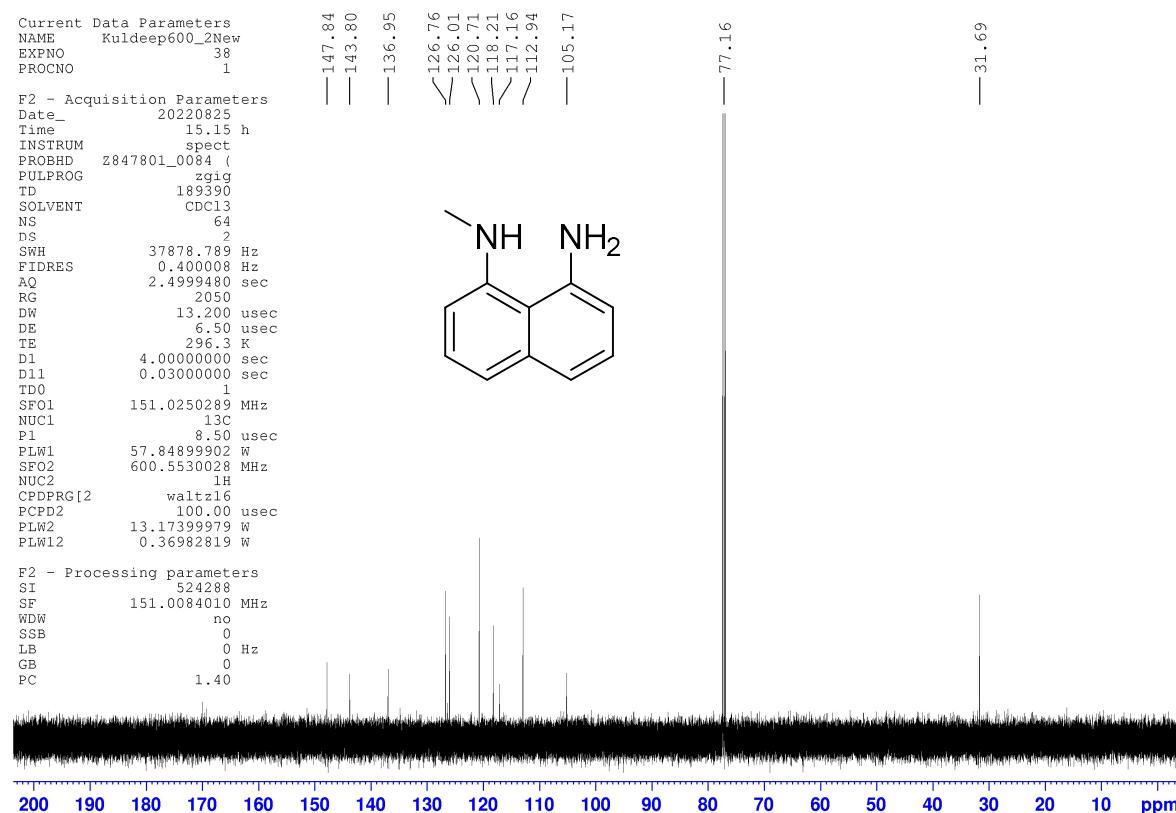
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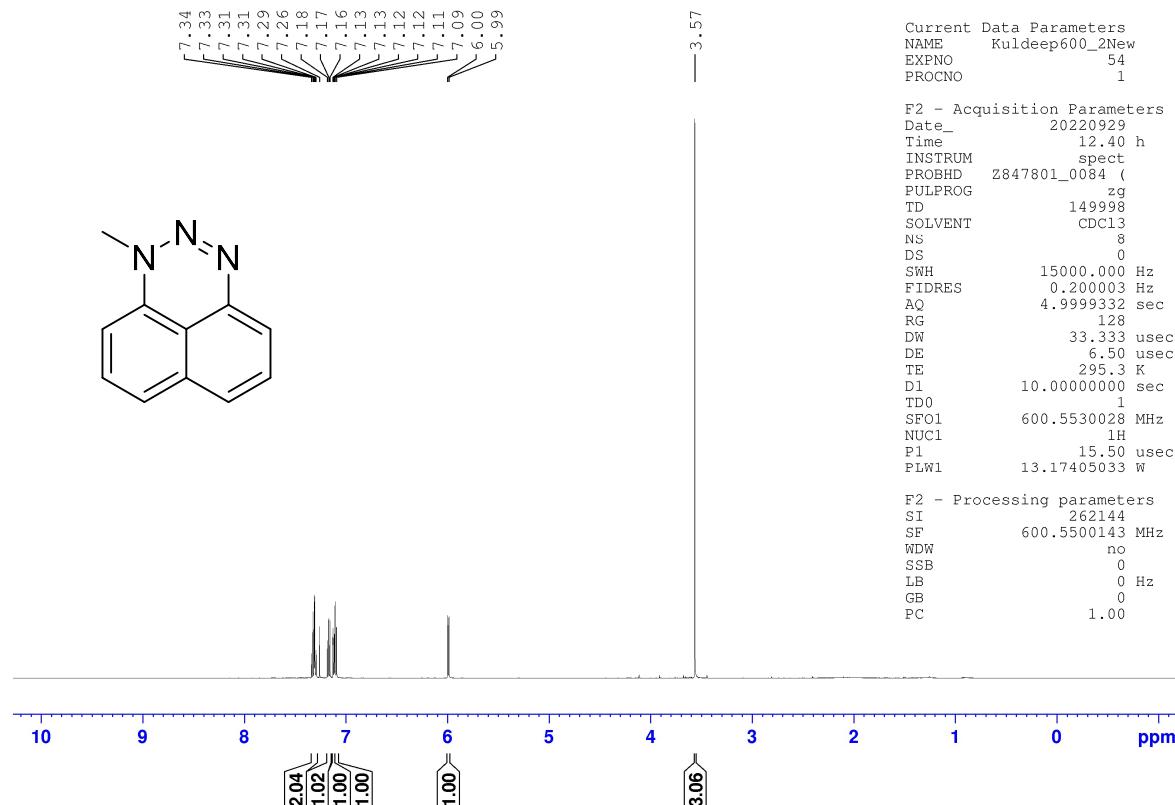
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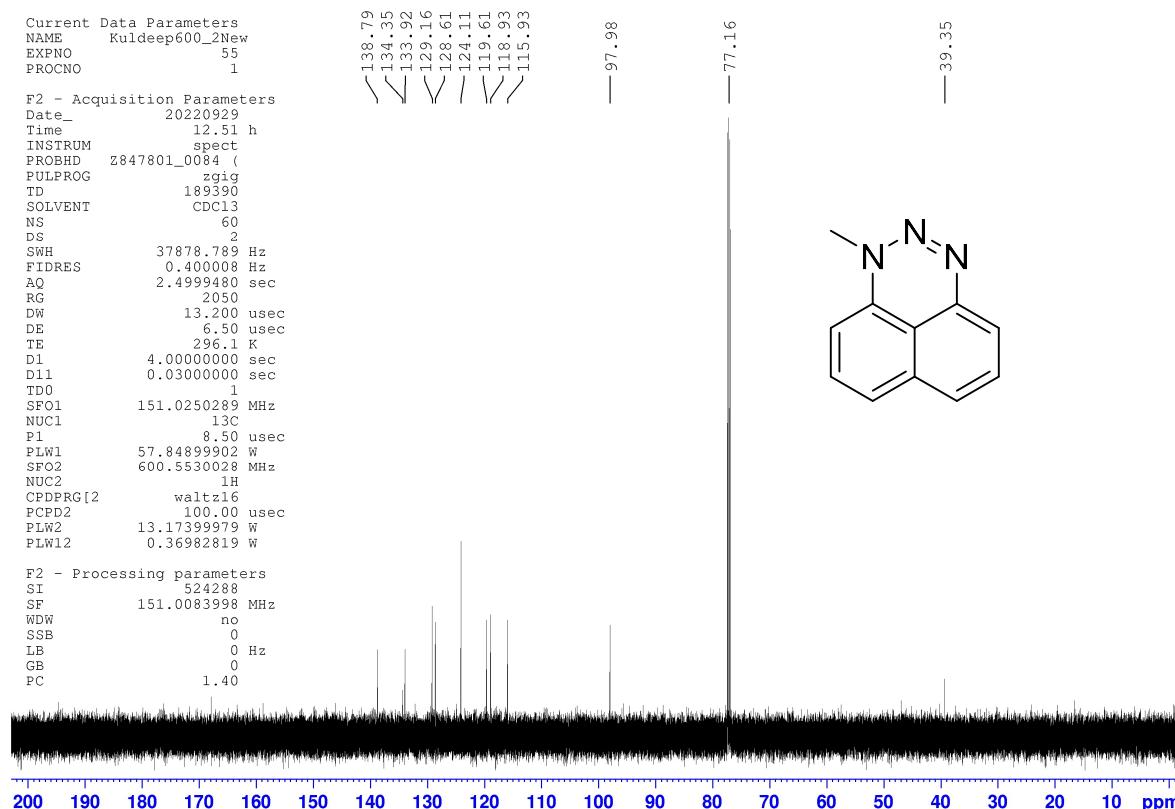
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1*N*-methylNaphthotriazine **1a – ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3):**



$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3):



4. Crystallographic data

Table S1. Crystallographic data for all crystallized materials.

	2a+LiI	2d	2i
Empirical formula	6(C ₁₃ H ₁₅ N ₃)·I ₈ Li ₈	C ₁₅ H ₁₉ N ₃	C ₁₈ H ₁₇ N ₃
Formula weight	2350.39	241.33	275.34
Temperature (K)	200.15	200.15	200.15
Wavelength (Å)	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
Color	Colorless	Colorless	Colorless
Crystal system	Trigonal	Triclinic	Orthorhombic
Space group	R-3	P-1	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁
a (Å)	17.321(3)	7.8040(16)	9.832(3)
b, (Å)	17.321(3)	8.7759(18)	11.907(4)
c (Å)	25.467(5)	11.326(2)	12.610(4)
α (deg)	90	76.189(2)	90
β (deg)	90	73.494(3)	90
γ (deg)	120	64.373(4)	90
Volume (Å ³)	6617(3)	664.5(2)	1476.3(8)
Z	3	2	4
Calculated density (g/cm ³)	1.769	1.206	1.239
Absorption coefficient (mm ⁻¹)	2.864	0.073	0.075
F(000)	3396.0	260.0	584.0
Crystal size (mm)	0.21 × 0.18 × 0.18	0.21 × 0.18 × 0.18	0.33 × 0.12 × 0.09
2θ range (deg)	3.152 to 50.128	5.196 to 50.464	4.704 to 50.146
No. of measured reflections	6203	5202	9170
No. of independent reflections	2591	2392	2601
R _{int}	0.0768	0.0281	0.0509
Completeness (%)	98.9	99.4	99.0
Absorption correction	Multi-scan	Multi-scan	Multi-scan
Data/restraints/parameters	2591 / 0 / 172	2392 / 0 / 167	2601 / 203 / 192
Goodness of fit on F ²	0.875	0.966	1.083
R ₁ , wR ₂ (I > 2σ(I))	0.0387, 0.0616	0.0406, 0.0954	0.0612, 0.1250
R ₁ , wR ₂ (all data)	0.0741, 0.0685	0.0789, 0.1137	0.1291, 0.1544
Largest diff. peak and hole eÅ ⁻³	0.77 / -1.21	0.14 / -0.21	0.34 / -0.20
Diffractometer	Bruker APEX II	Bruker APEX II	Bruker APEX II

2p	
Empirical formula	C ₂₄ H ₂₁ N ₃
Formula weight	351.44
Temperature (K)	200.15
Wavelength (Å)	0.71073
Color	Colorless
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Space group	P2 ₁ /c
a (Å)	12.4541(11)
b, (Å)	14.0752(12)
c (Å)	11.4174(10)
α (deg)	90
β (deg)	113.841(2)
γ (deg)	90
Volume (Å ³)	1830.6(3)
Z	4
Calculated density (g/cm ³)	1.275
Absorption coefficient (mm ⁻¹)	0.076
F(000)	744.0
Crystal size (mm)	0.24 × 0.21 × 0.21
2θ range (deg)	3.576 to 50.2
No. of measured reflections	18653
No. of independent reflections	3244
R _{int}	0.1134
Completeness (%)	99.6
Absorption correction	Multi-scan
Data/restraints/parameters	3244 / 0 / 246
Goodness of fit on F ²	1.013
R ₁ , wR ₂ (I > 2σ(I))	0.0642, 0.1295
R ₁ , wR ₂ (all data)	0.1209, 0.1556
Largest diff. peak and hole eÅ ⁻³	0.17 / -0.31
Diffractometer	Bruker APEX II

Crystal structure determination of **2a+Lil, **2d**, **2i** and **2p****

The single-crystal materials were immersed in Paratone–N oil. The crystals were mounted on a Bruker APEX II diffractometer. The structures: **2a+Lil**, **2d**, **2i** and **2p** were measured at 200K. Data collection was performed using monochromated Mo K α radiation, $\lambda=0.71073\text{ \AA}$, using φ and ω scans to cover the Ewald sphere. Accurate cell parameters were obtained with the amount of indicated reflections. Using Olex2⁴, the structure was solved with the olex2.solve⁵ structure solution program using Charge Flipping and refined with the SHELXL⁶ refinement package using Least Squares minimization. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters. The hydrogen atoms were refined isotropically on calculated positions using a riding model with their U_{iso} values constrained to 1.5 times the U_{eq} of their pivot atoms for terminal sp³ carbon atoms and 1.2 times for all other carbon atoms. Software used for molecular graphics: Mercury 2020.3.0.⁷

Additional information

Accession code: The X-ray crystallographic coordinates for structures **2a+Lil**, **2d**, **2i** and **2p** reported in this article have been deposited at the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre (CCDC), under deposition numbers: 2221687-2221690.

These data can be obtained free of charge from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.

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