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## Alkali aminoether-phenolate complexes: Synthesis, structural characterization and evidences for an activated monomer ROP mechanism<sup>†</sup>

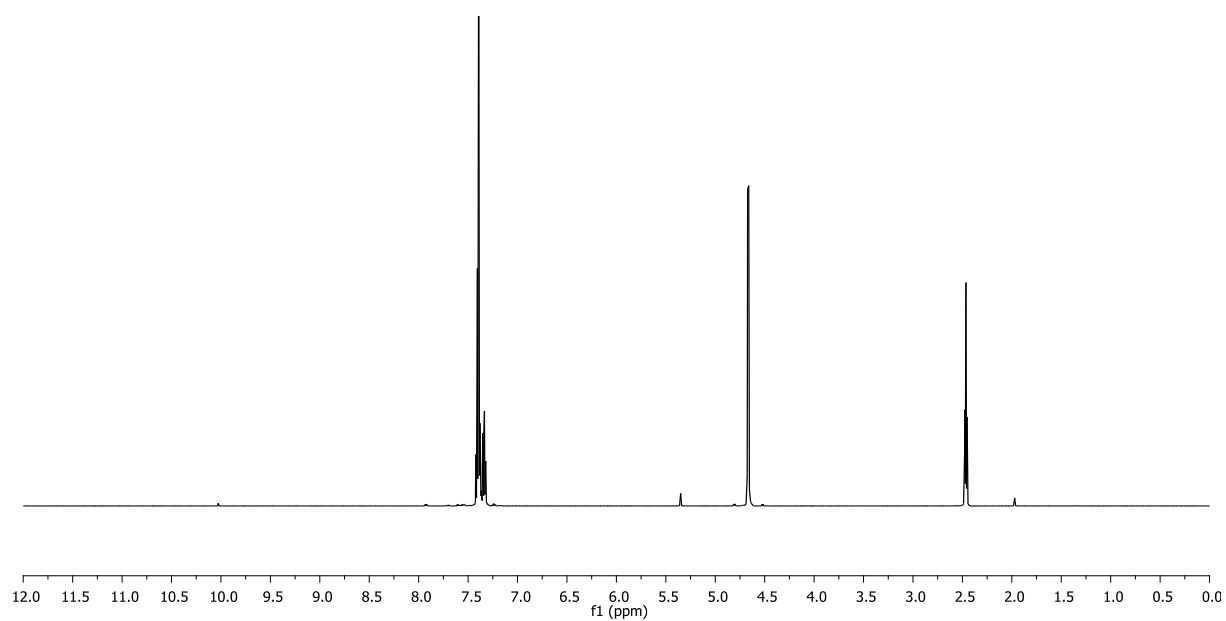
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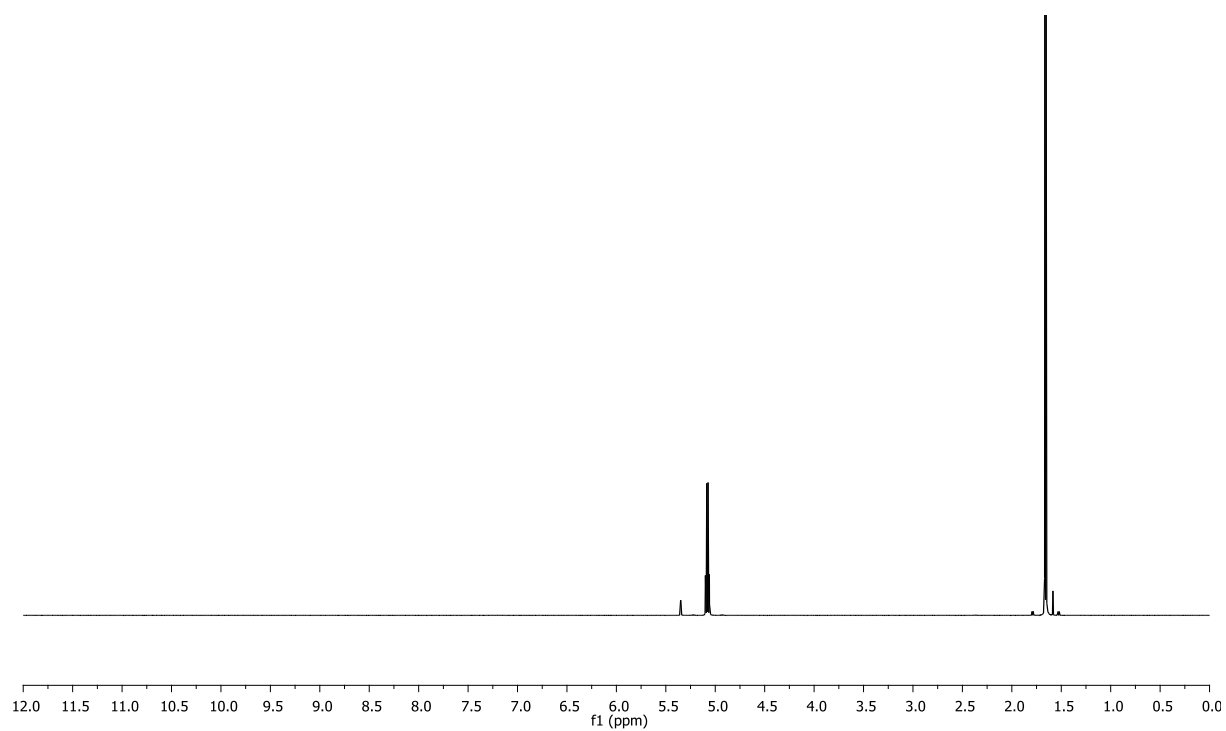
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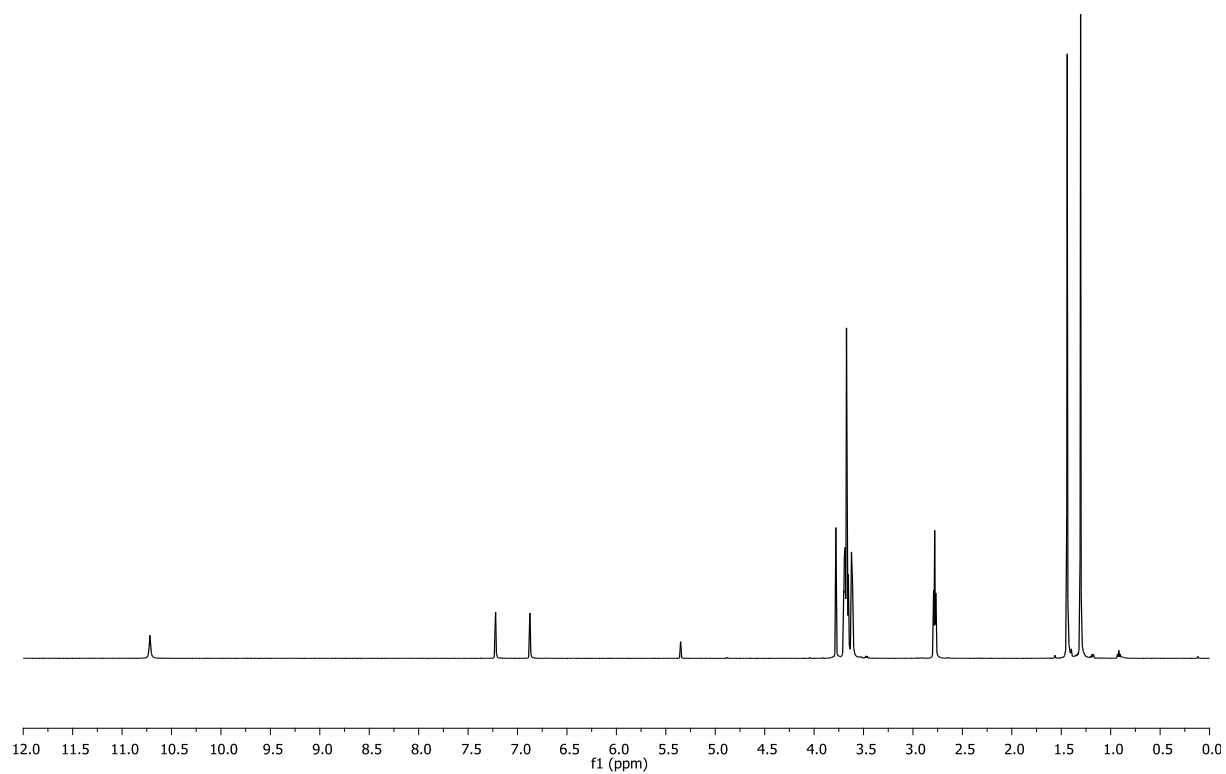
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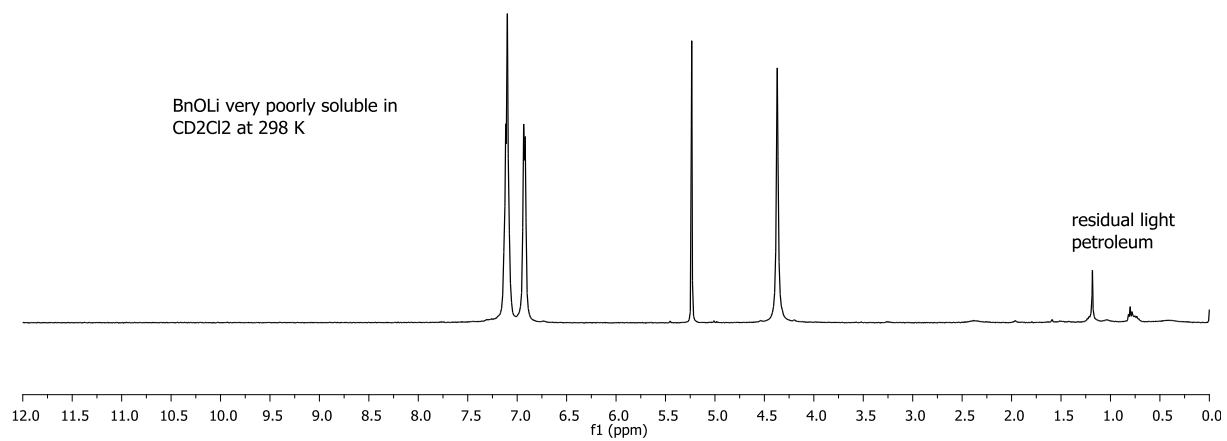
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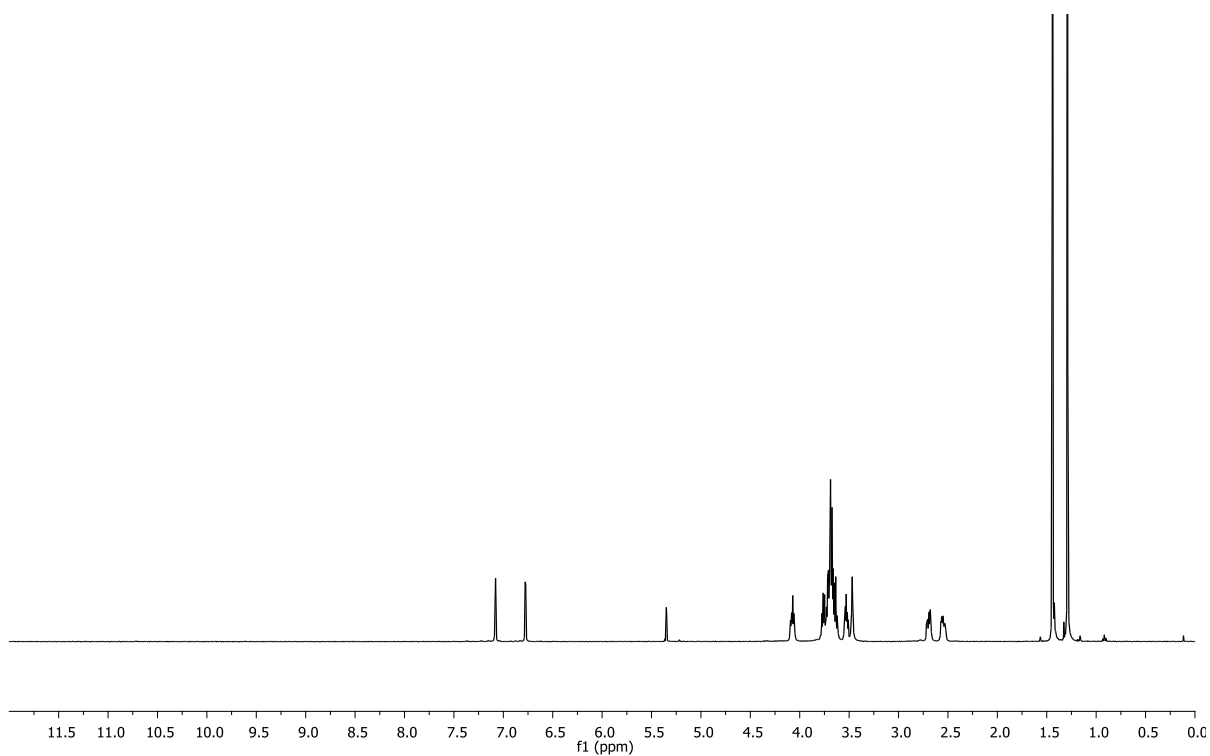
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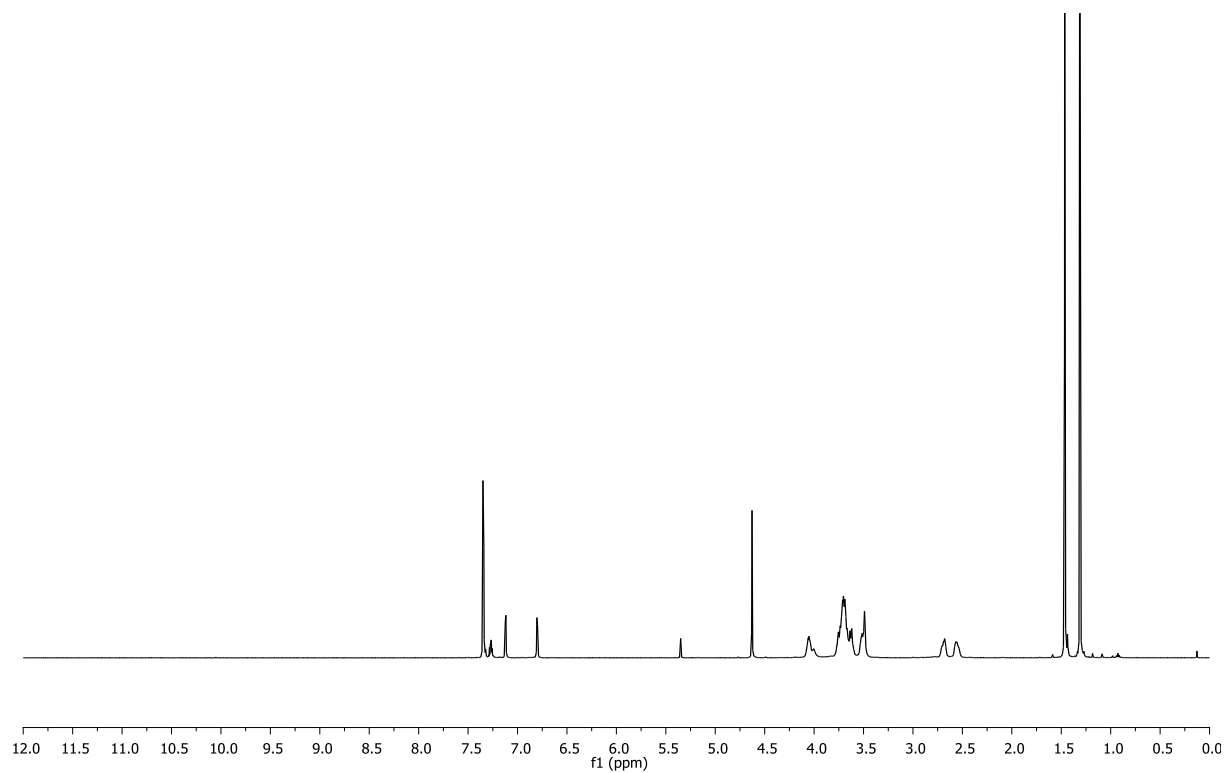
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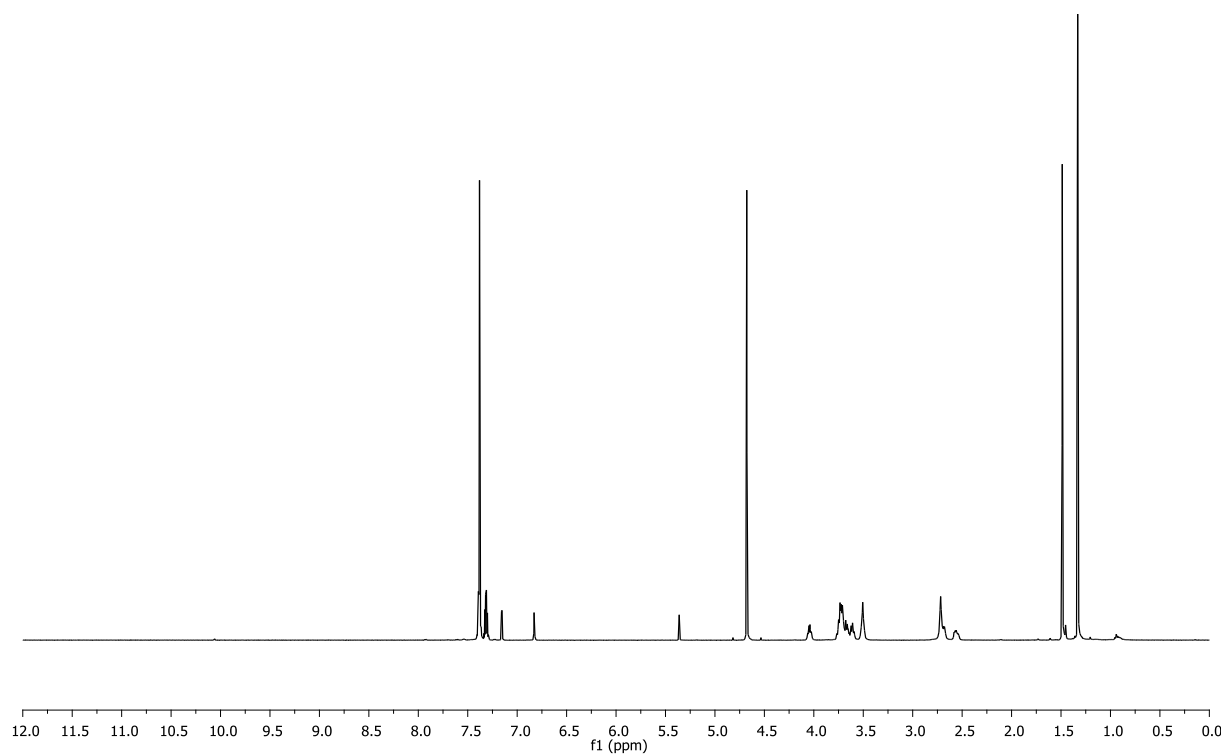
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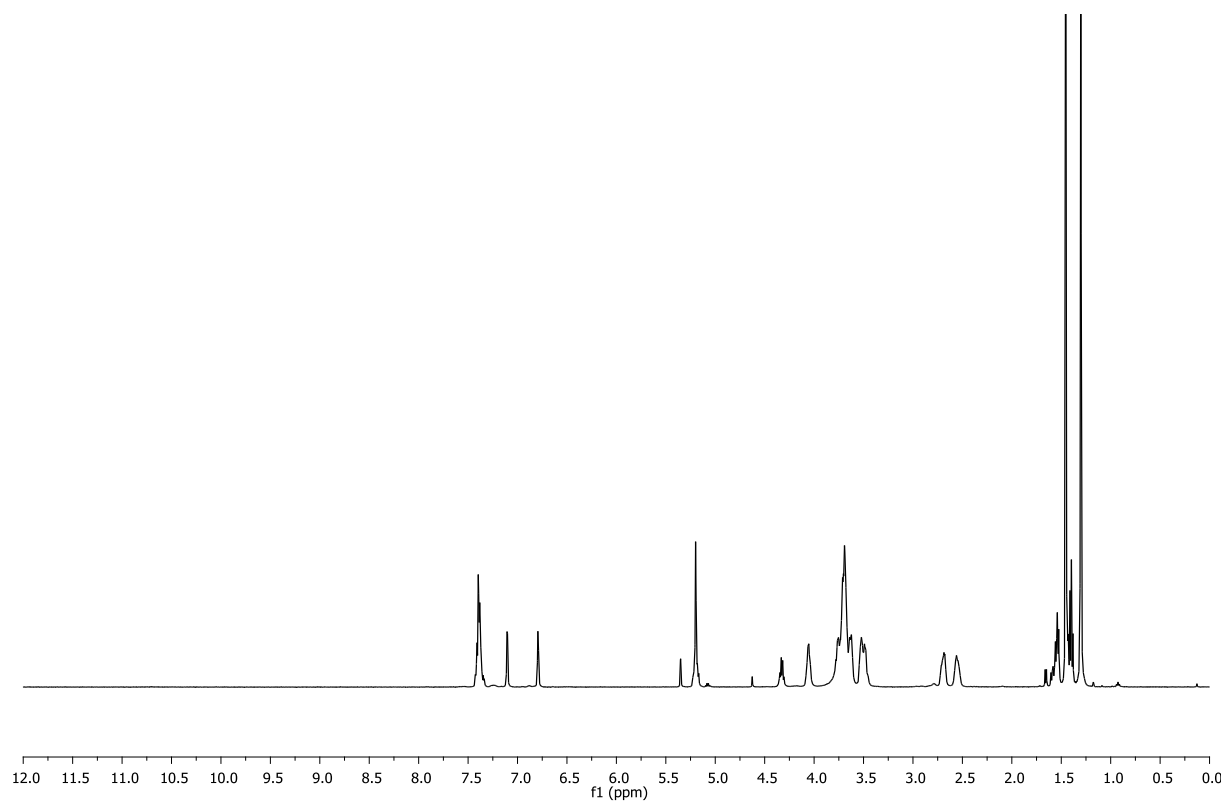
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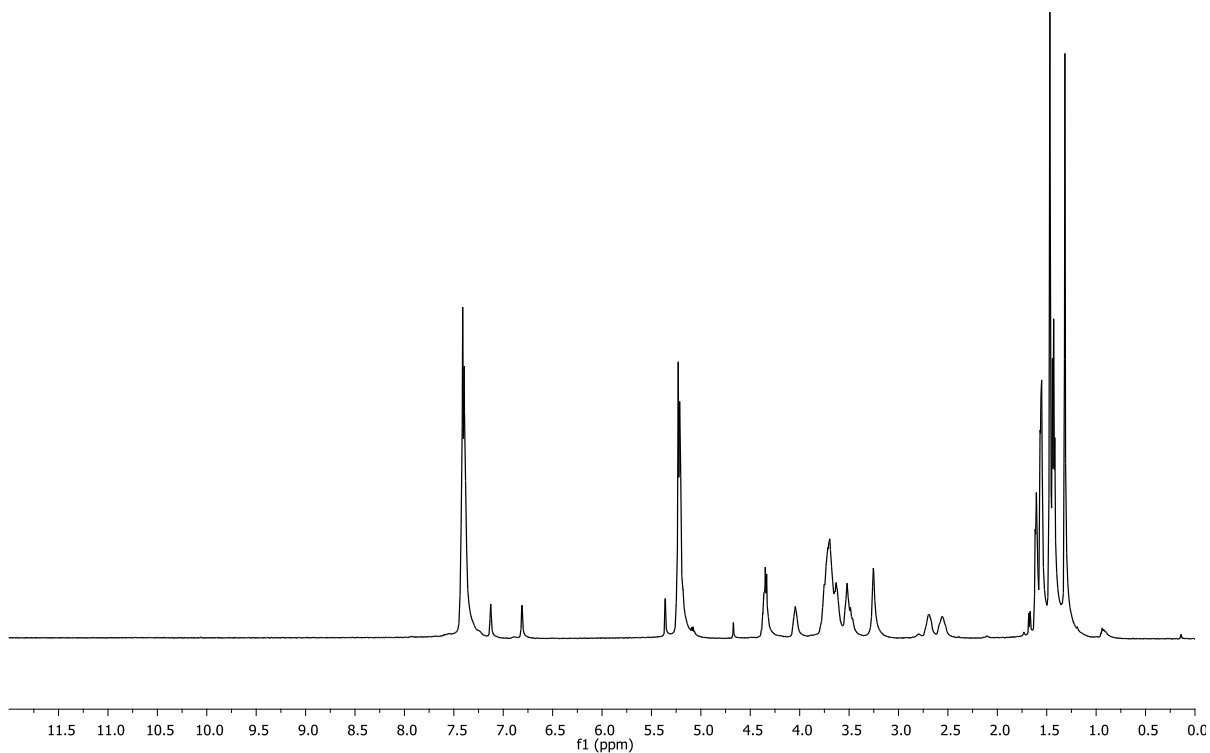
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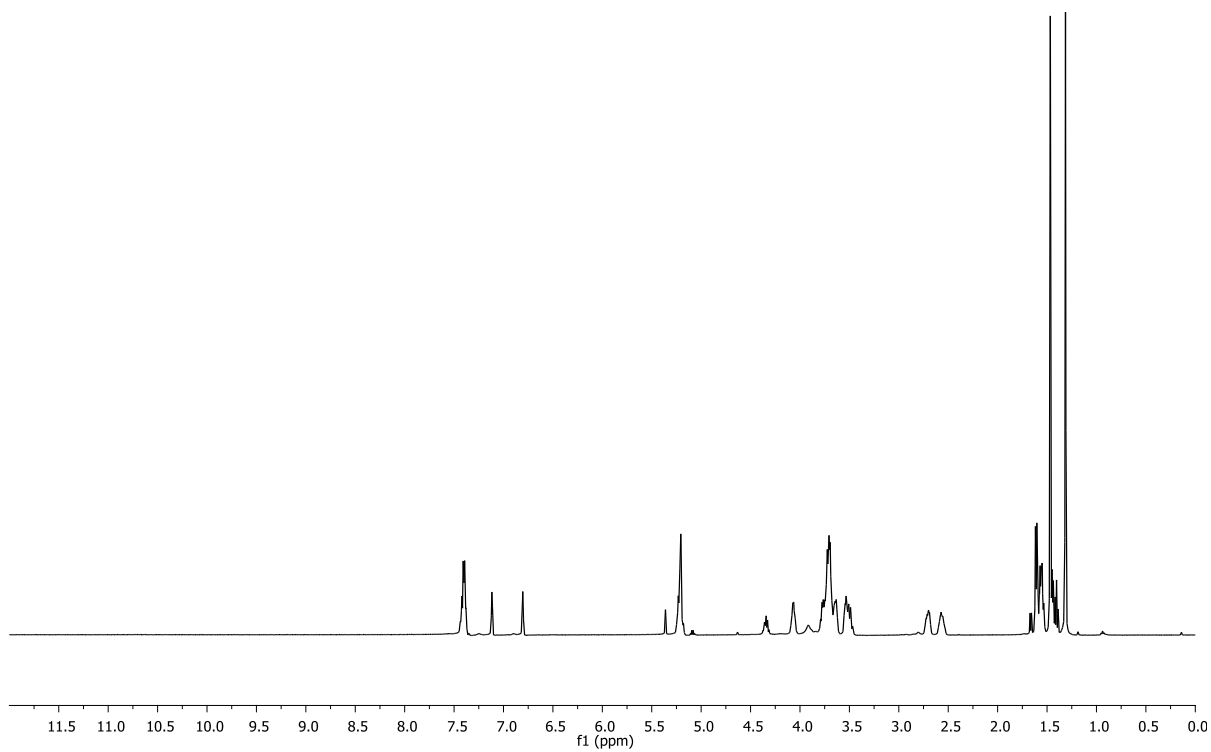
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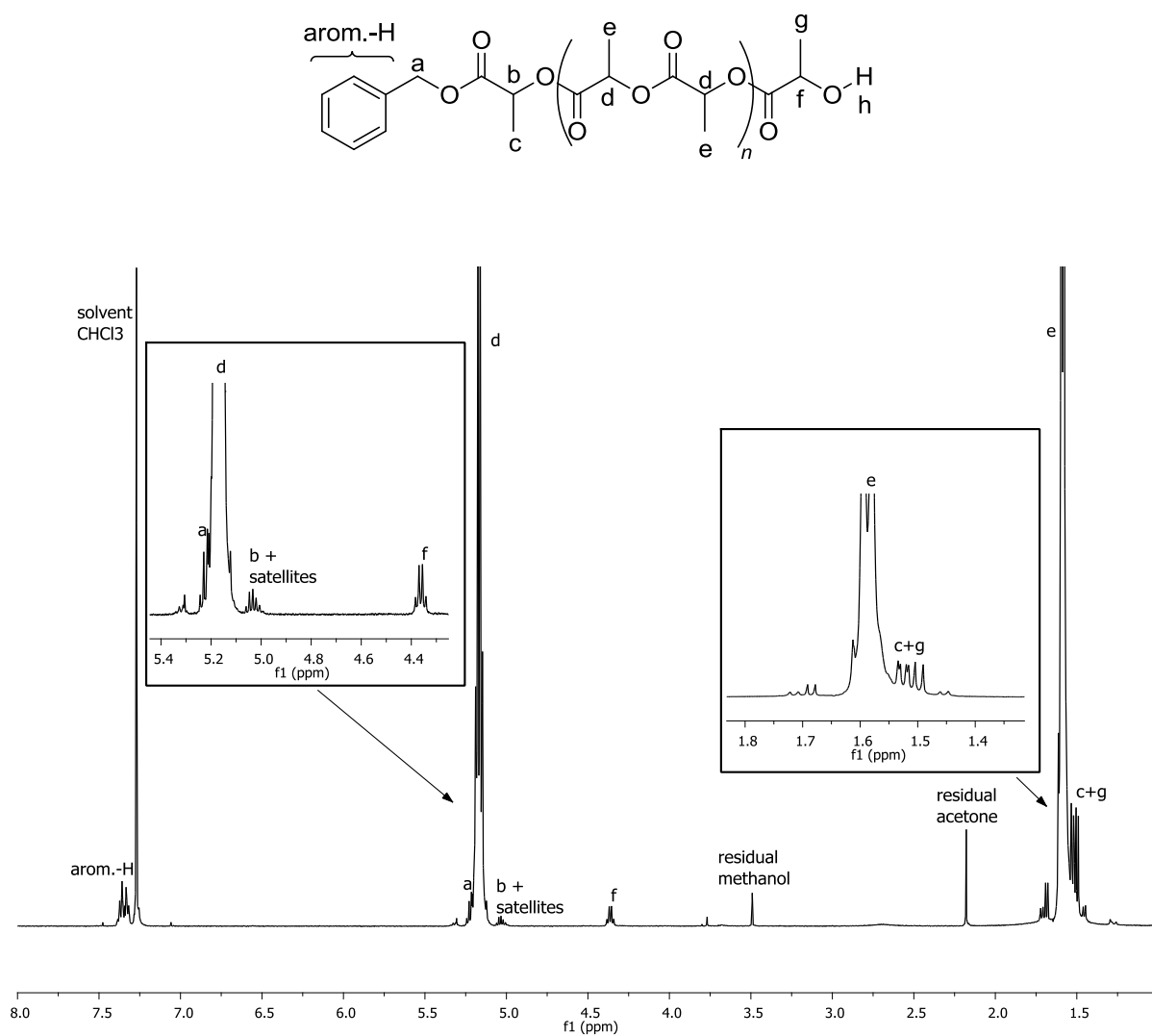
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S11.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 500.13 MHz, 298 K) of a PLLA sample prepared with **3**/BnOH (from Table 2, entry 8)



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