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## **Binuclear ruthenium $\eta^6$ -arene complexes with tetradentate *N,S*-ligands containing the *ortho*-aminothiophenol motif**

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Figure S1.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2a** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

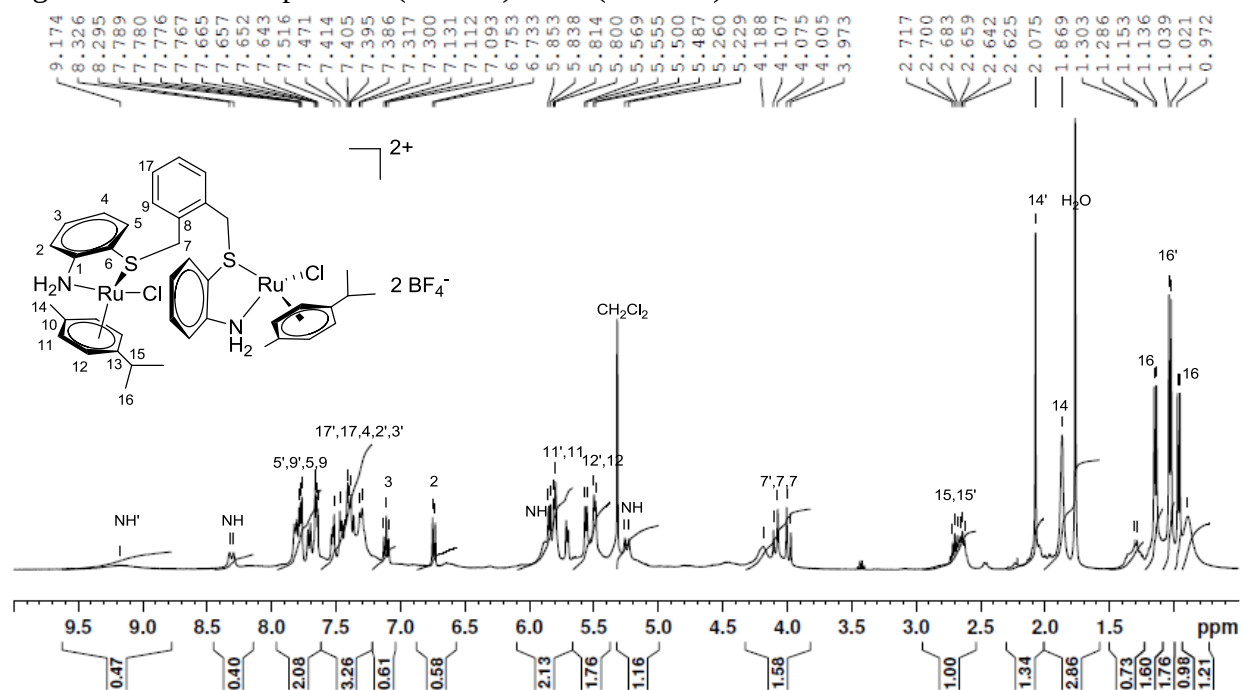


Figure S2.  $^{13}\text{C}$  jmod NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2a** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

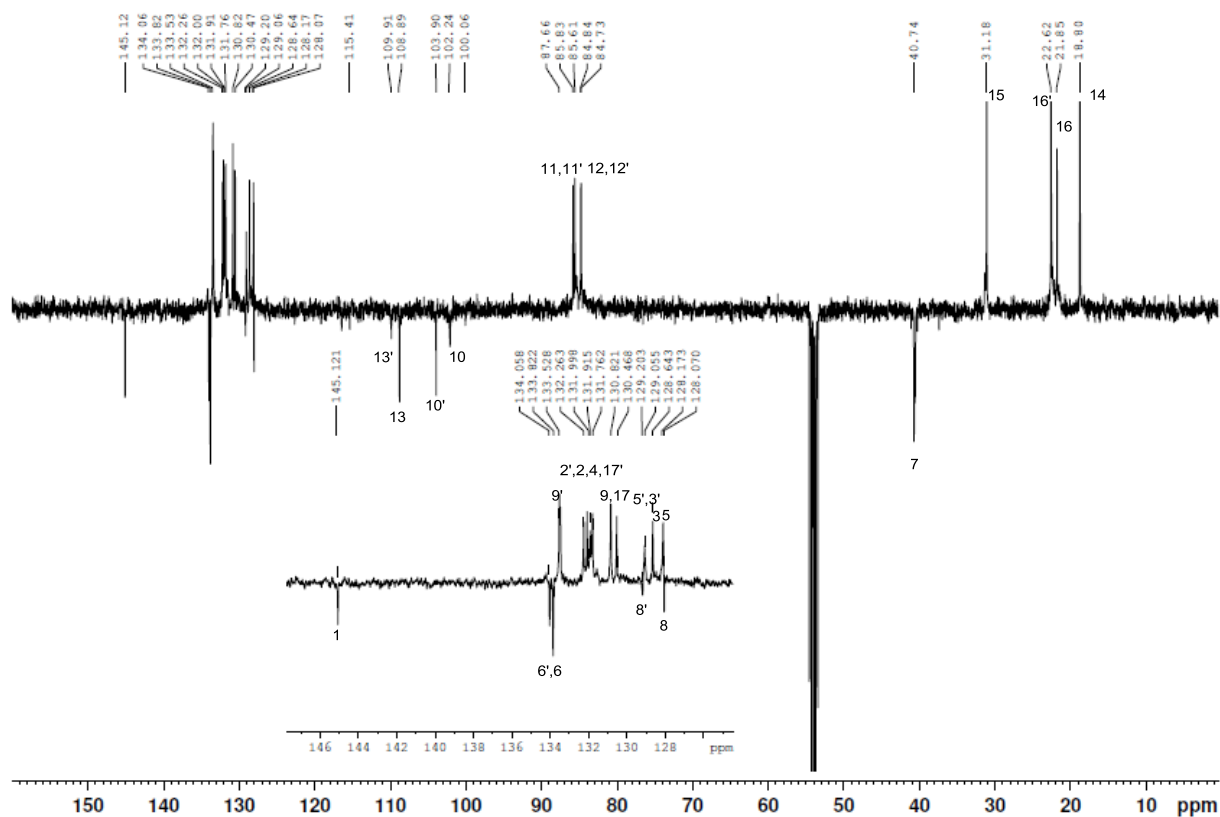


Figure S3. COSY NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2a** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

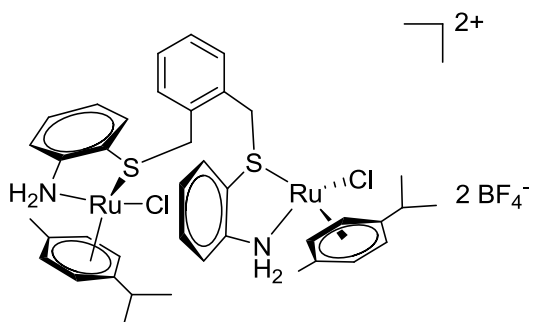
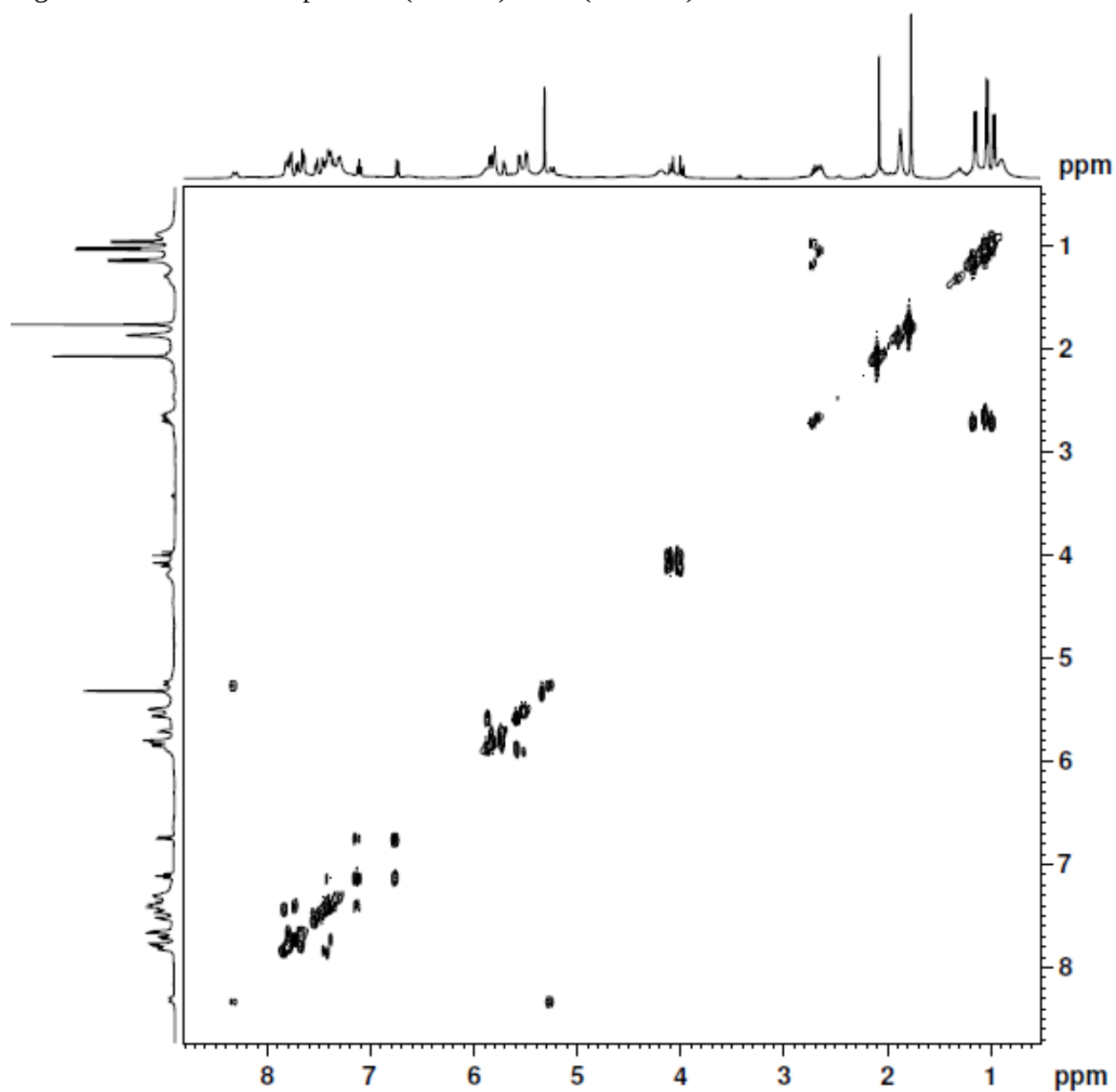


Figure S4. COSY NMR spectrum (zoom) ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2a** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

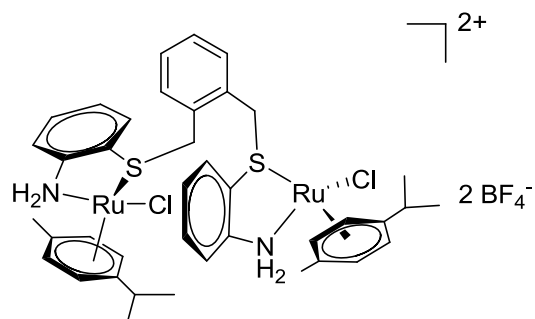
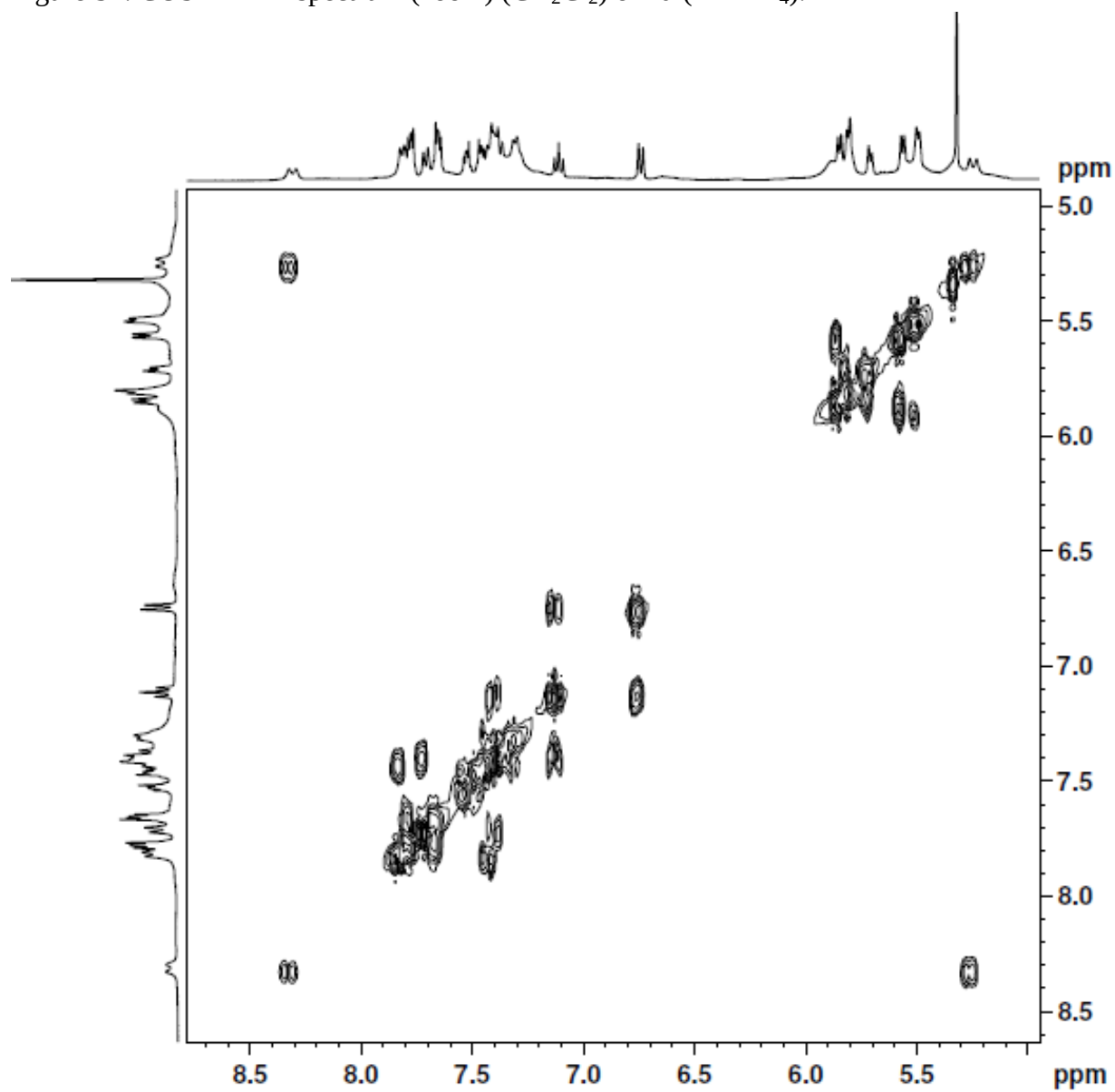


Figure S5. HSQC NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2a** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

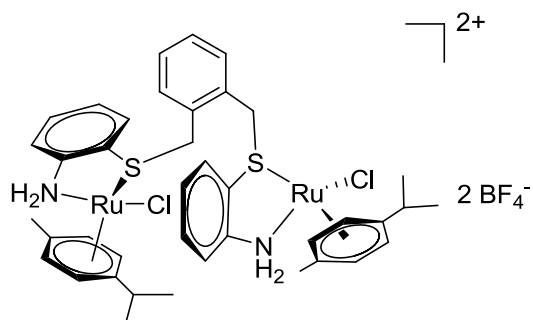
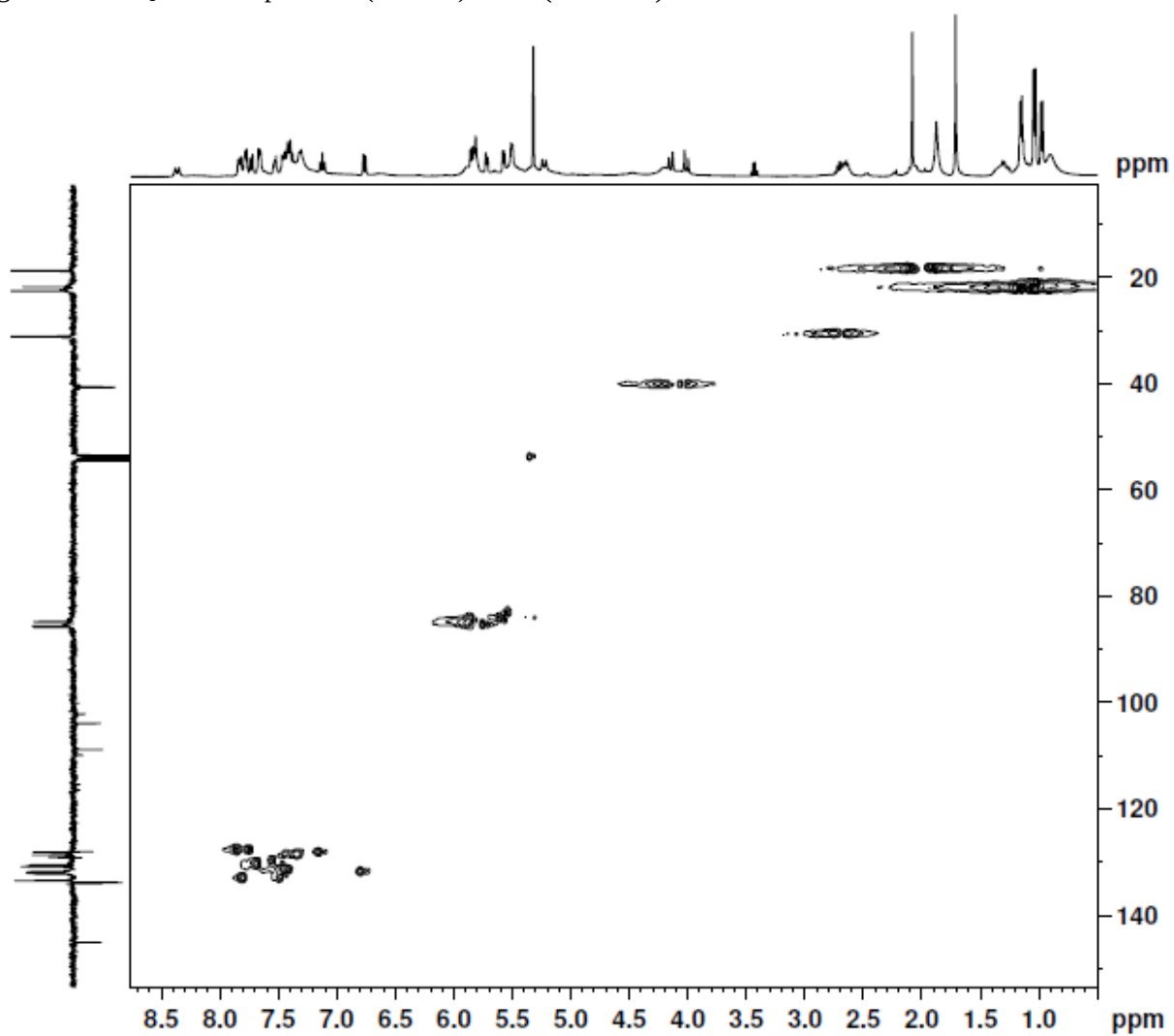


Figure S6. HSQC NMR spectrum (zoom) ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2a** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

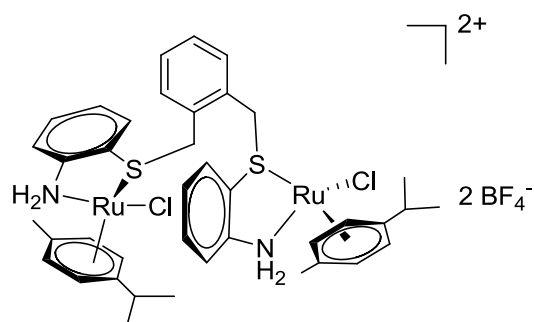
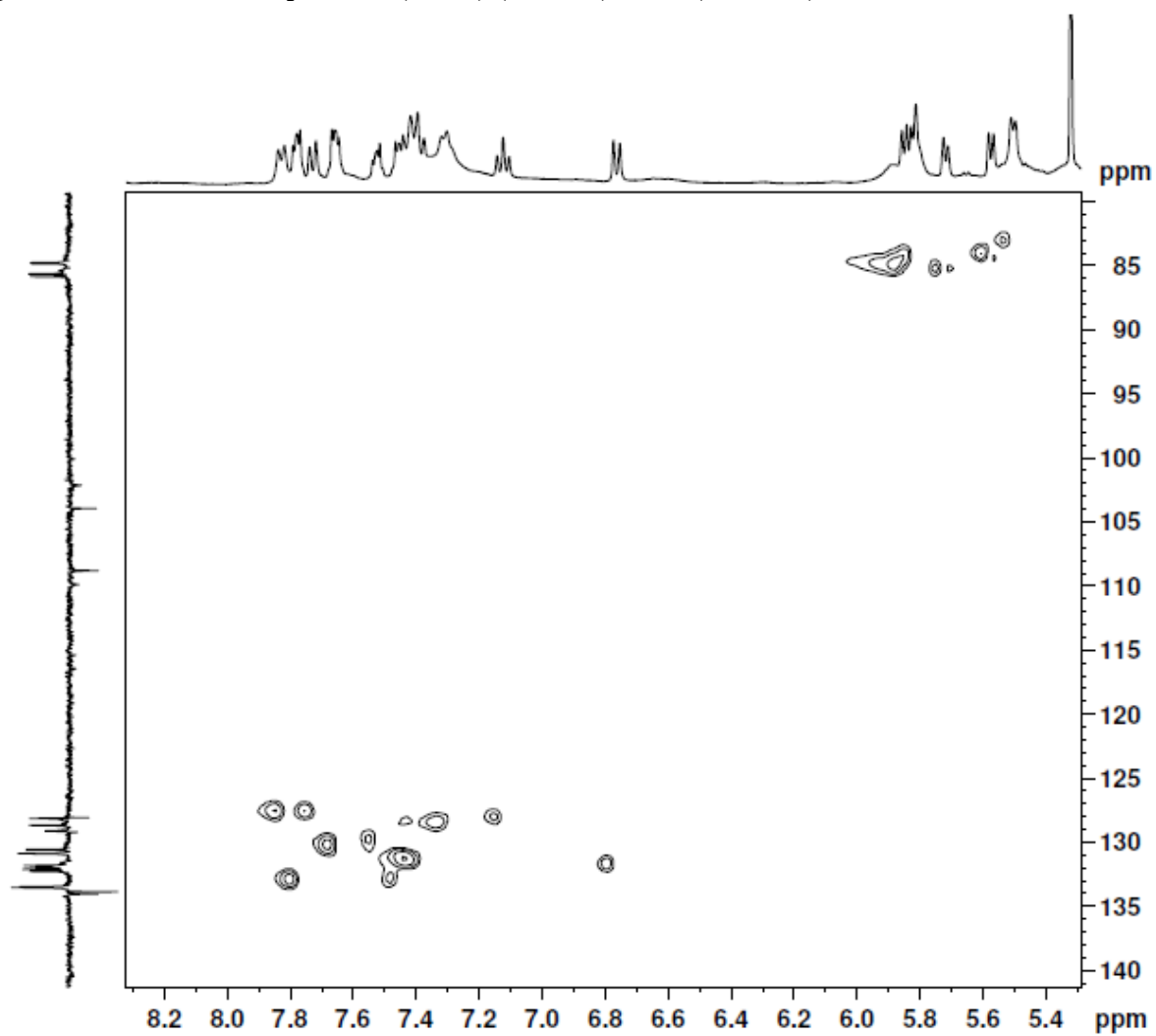


Figure S7. HMBC NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2a** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

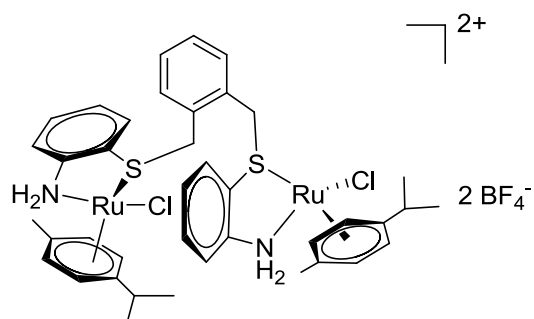
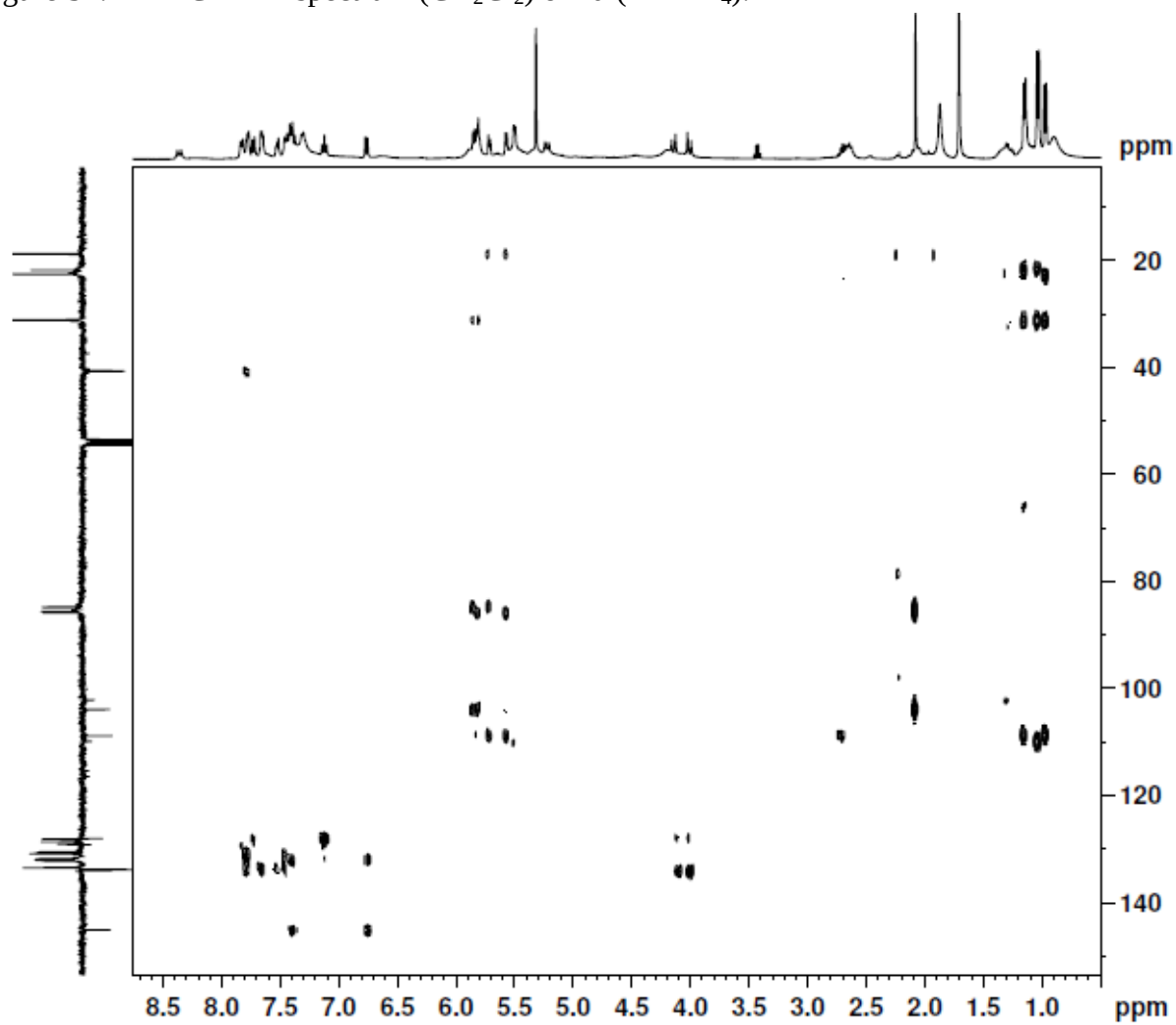


Figure S8. HMBC NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2a** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

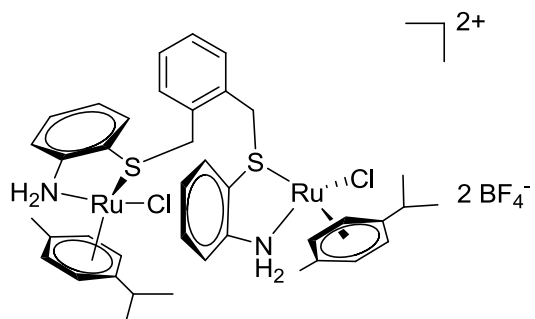
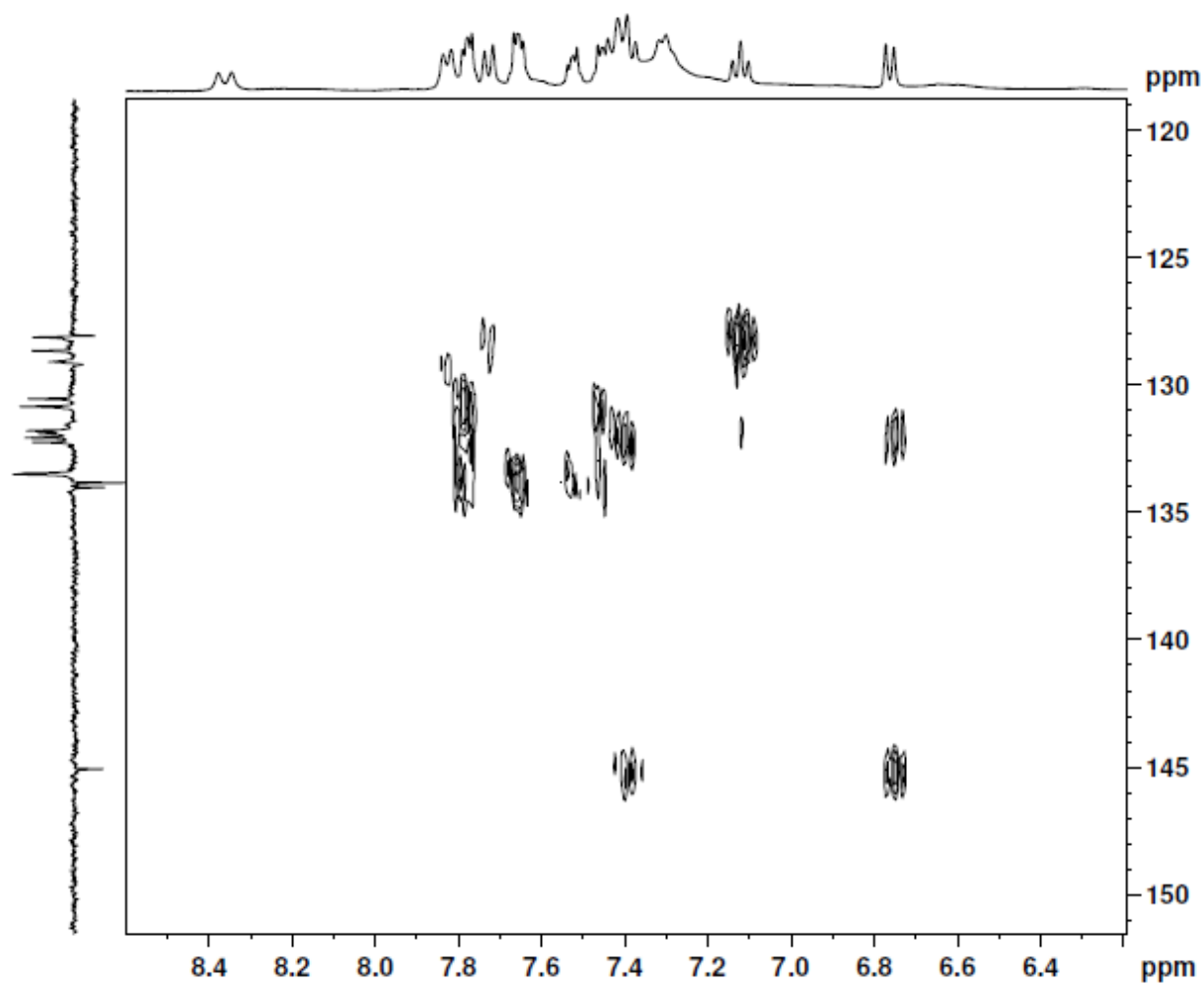




Figure S9.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2a** ( $\text{X} = \text{PF}_6$ ).

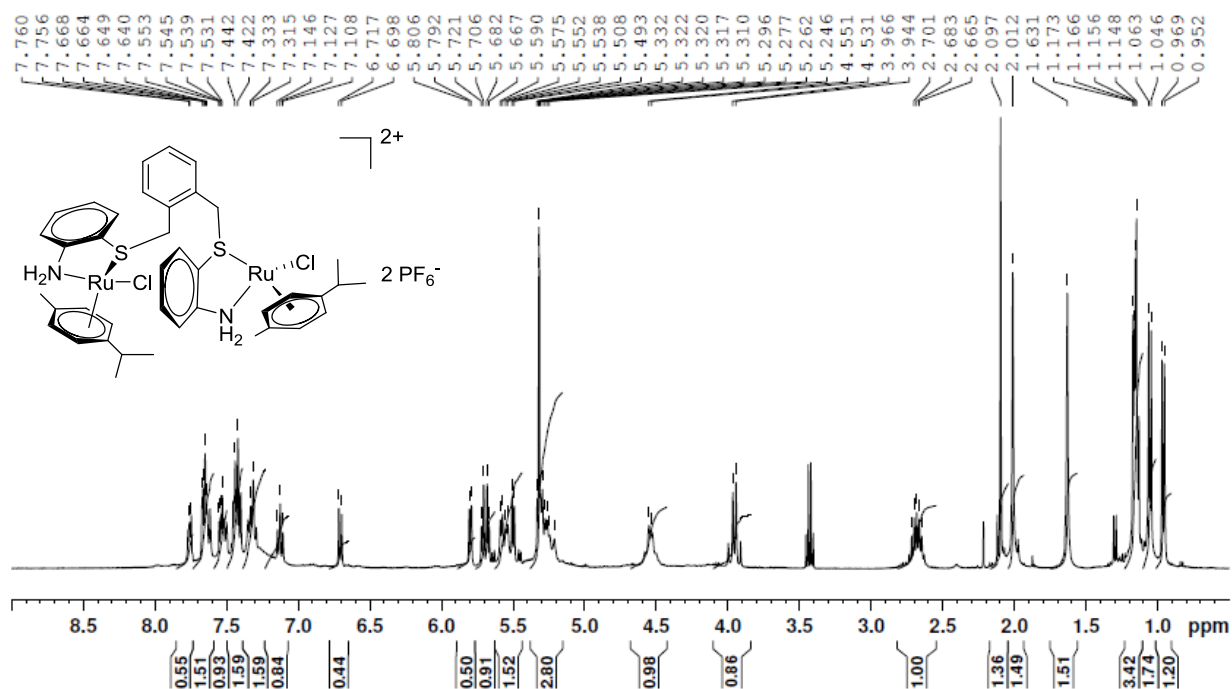


Figure S10.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2b** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

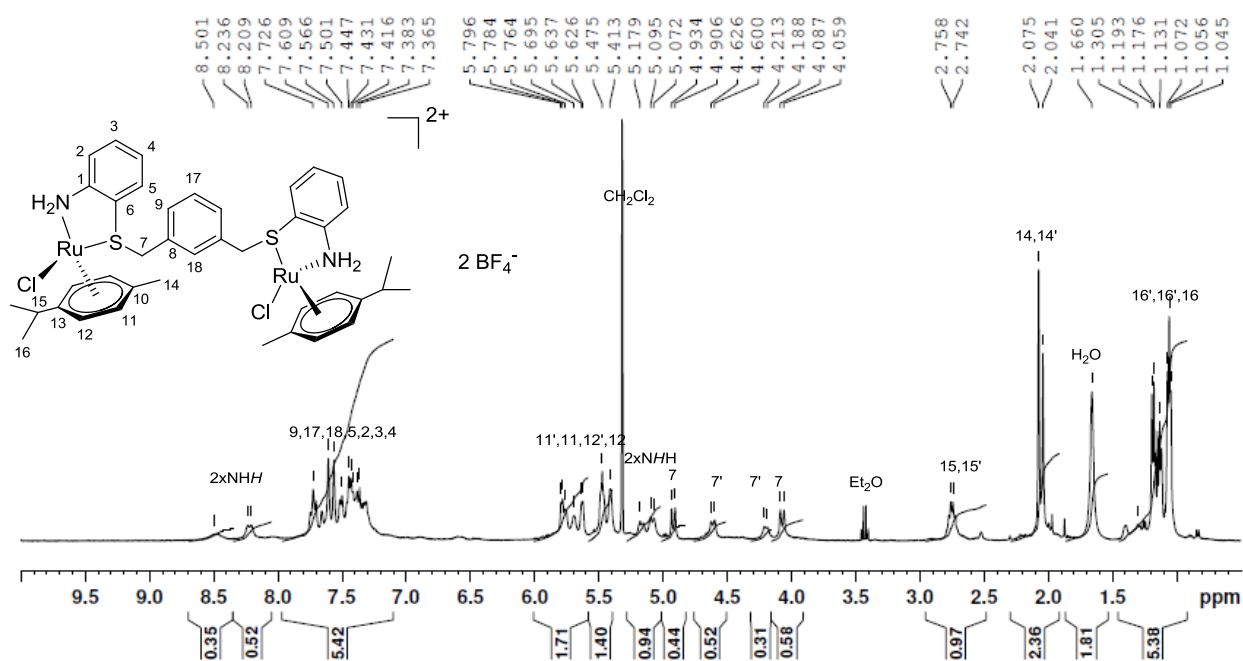


Figure S11.  $^{13}\text{C}$  jmod NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2b** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

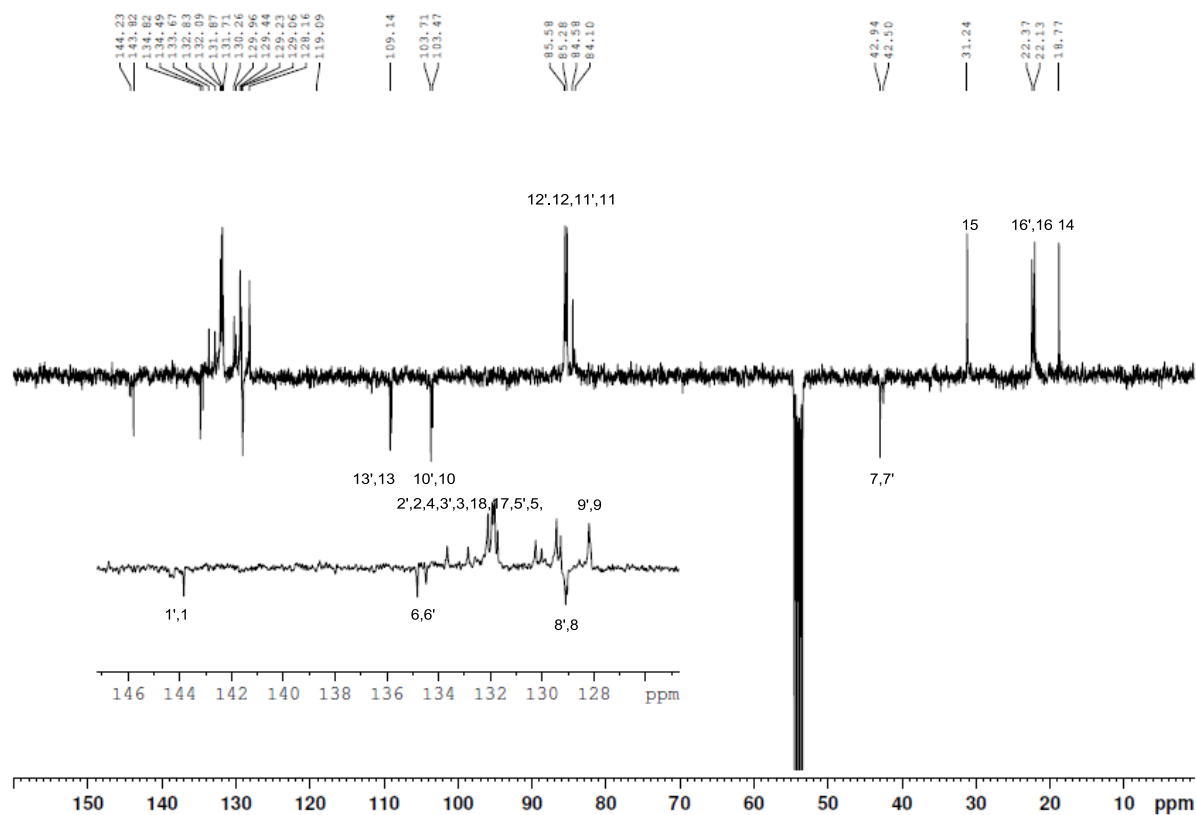


Figure S12. COSY NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2b** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

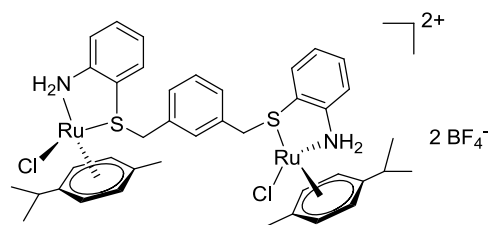
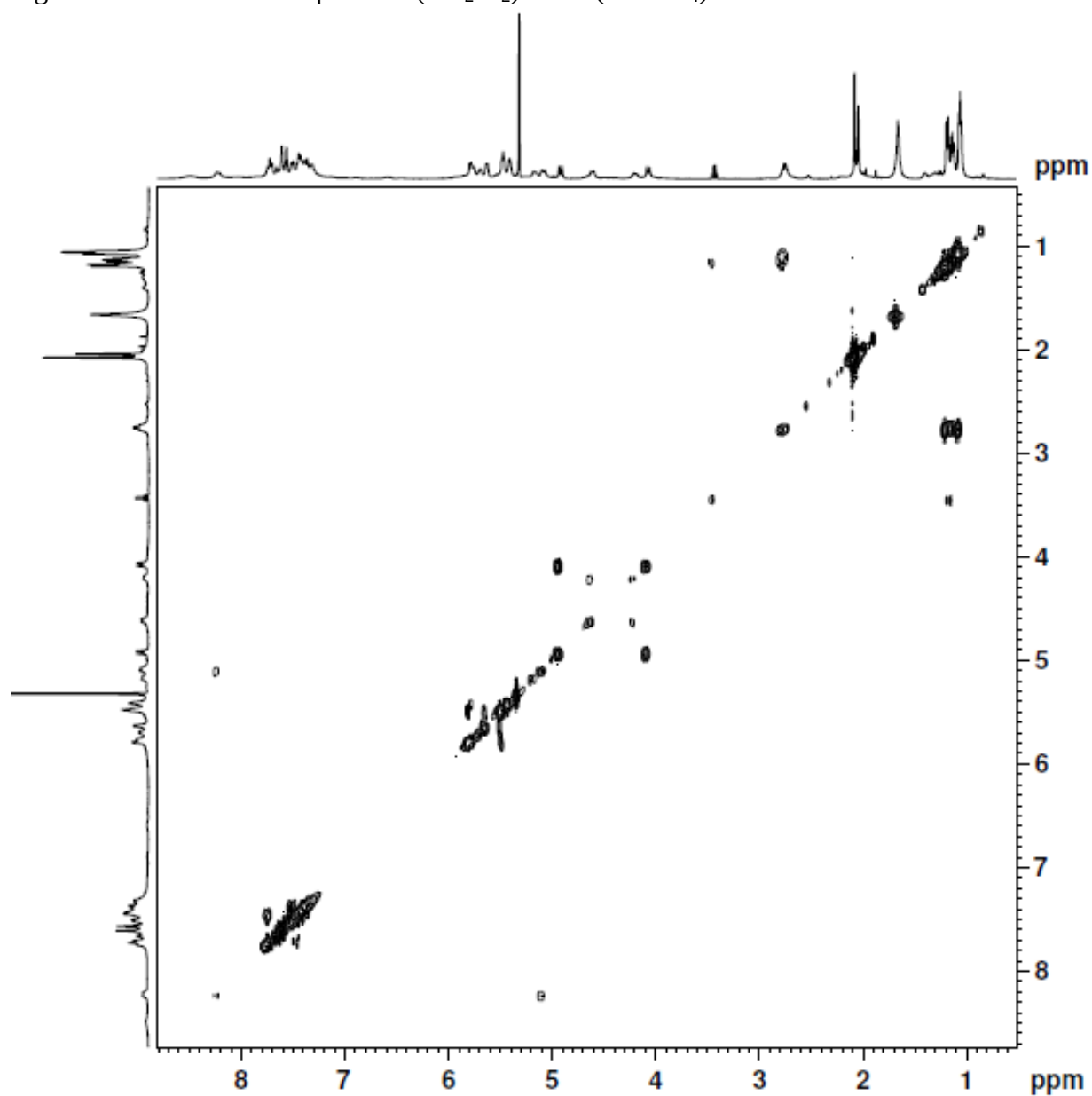


Figure S13. HSQC NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2b** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

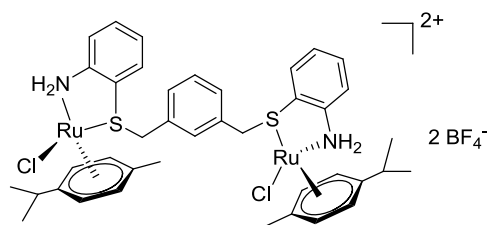
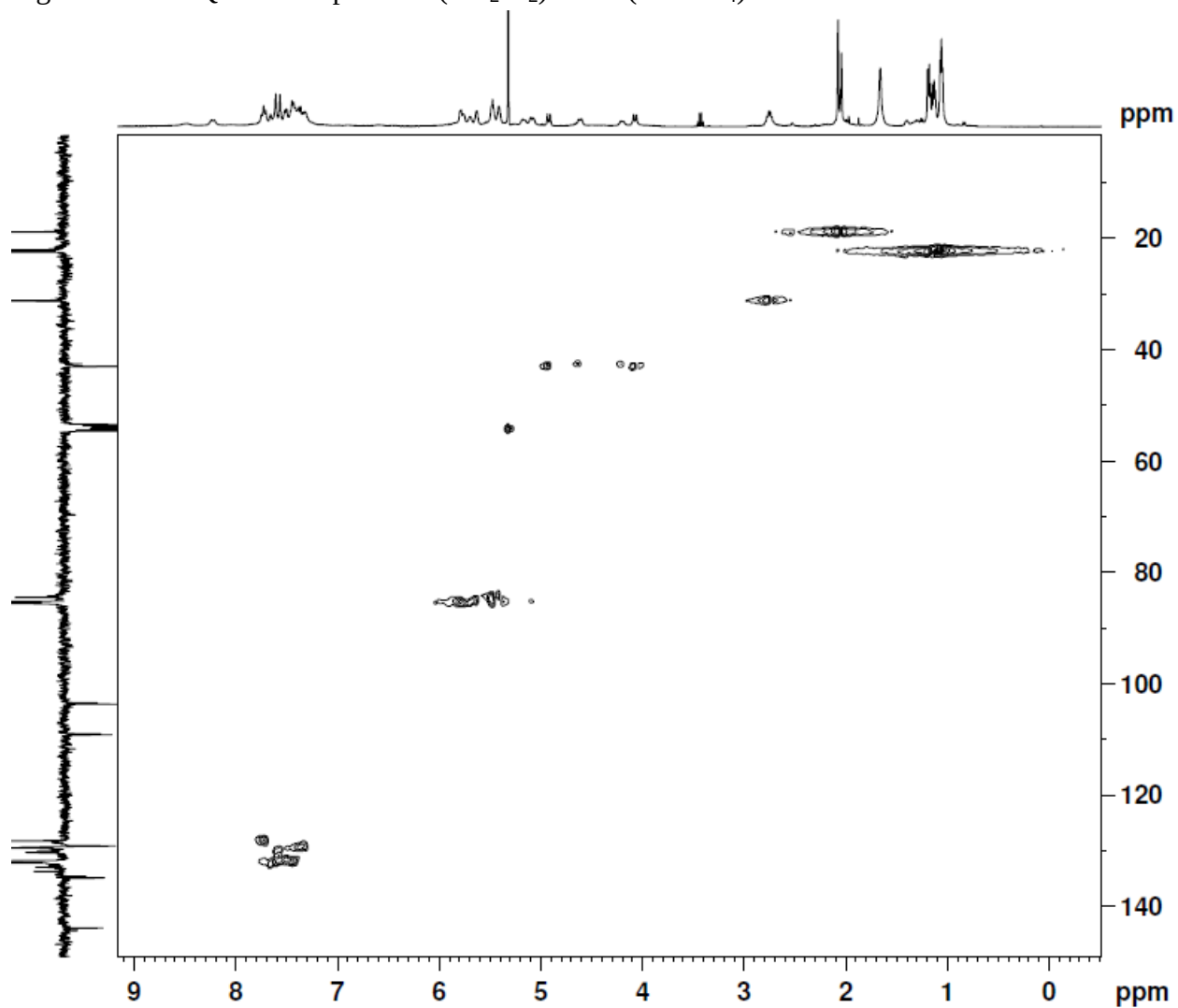


Figure S14.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2b** ( $\text{X} = \text{PF}_6$ ).

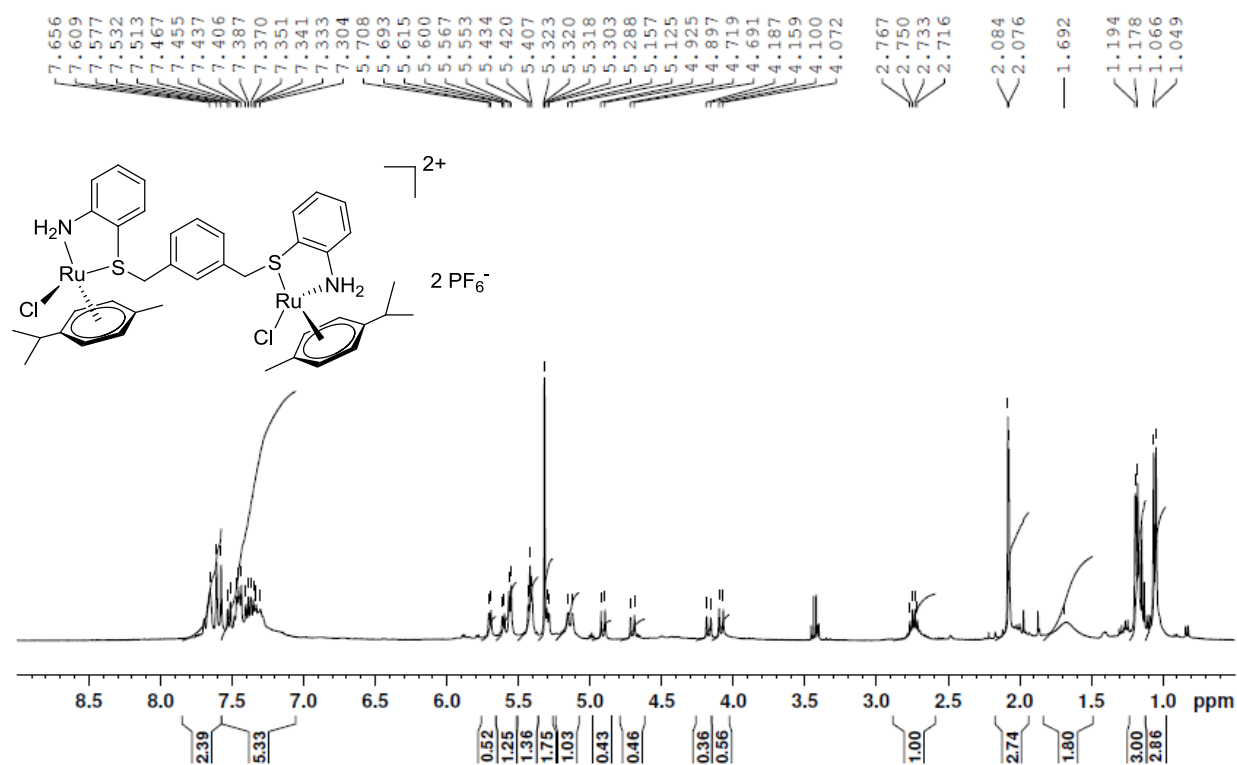


Figure S15.  $^{13}\text{C}$  jmod NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2b** ( $\text{X} = \text{PF}_6$ ).

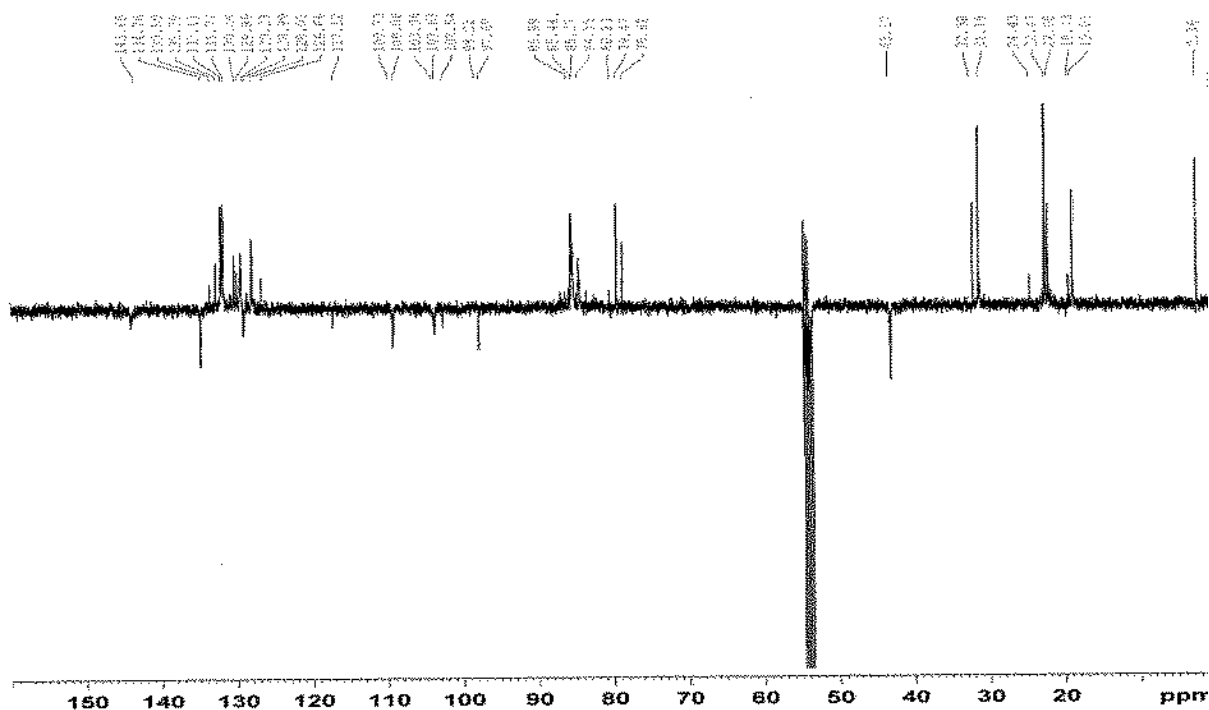


Figure S16.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2c** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

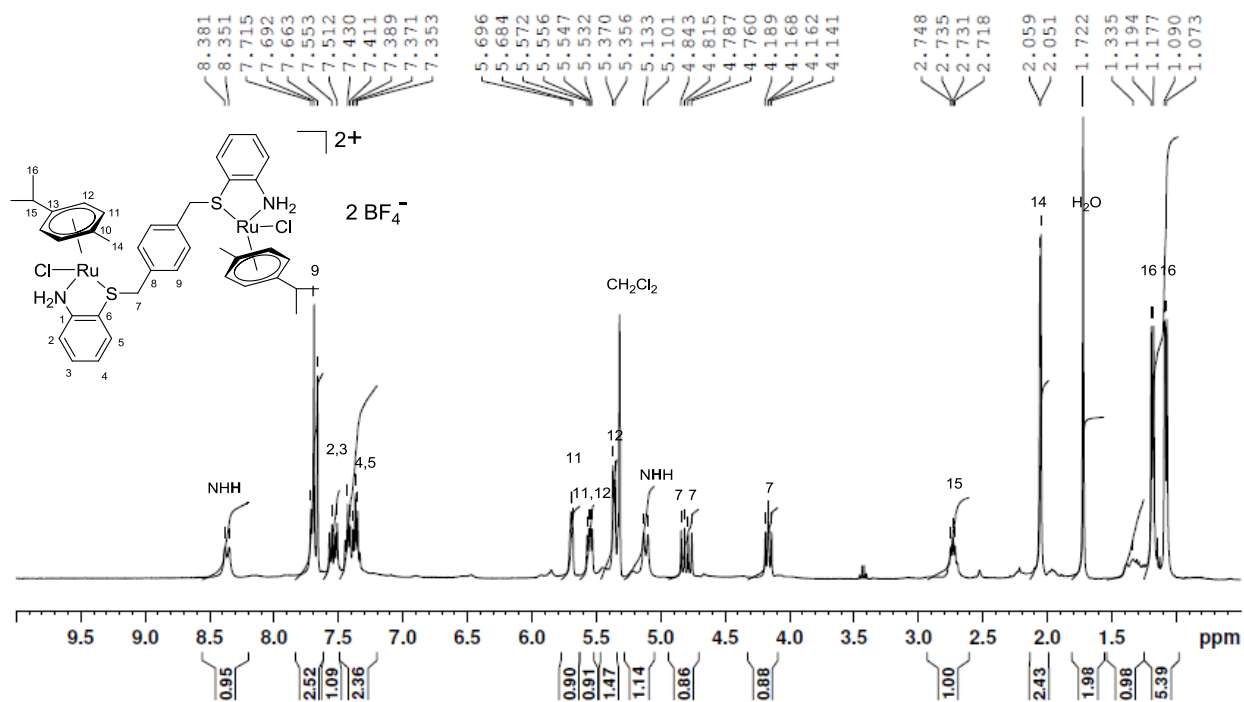


Figure S17.  $^{13}\text{C}$  jmod NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2c** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

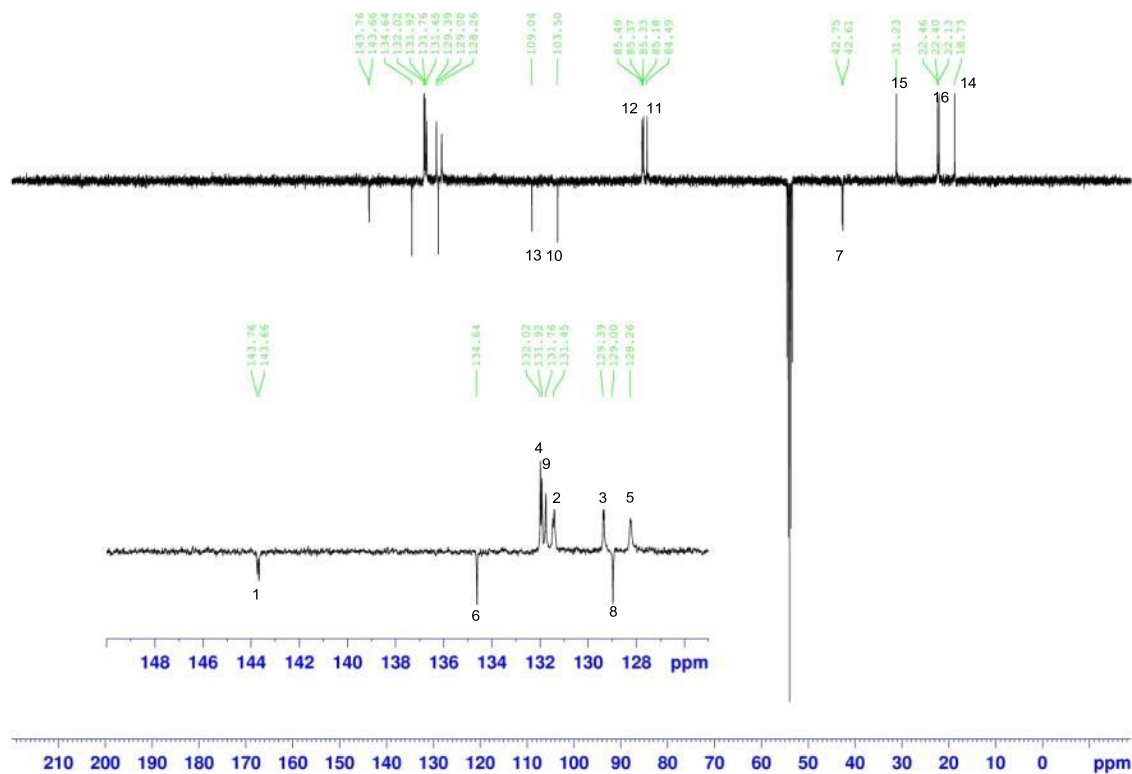


Figure S18. COSY NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2c** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

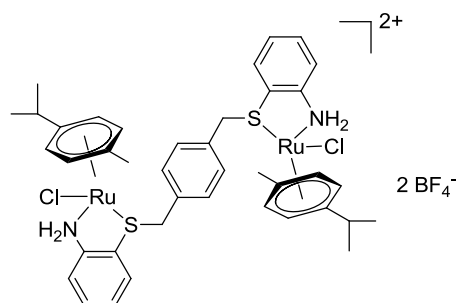
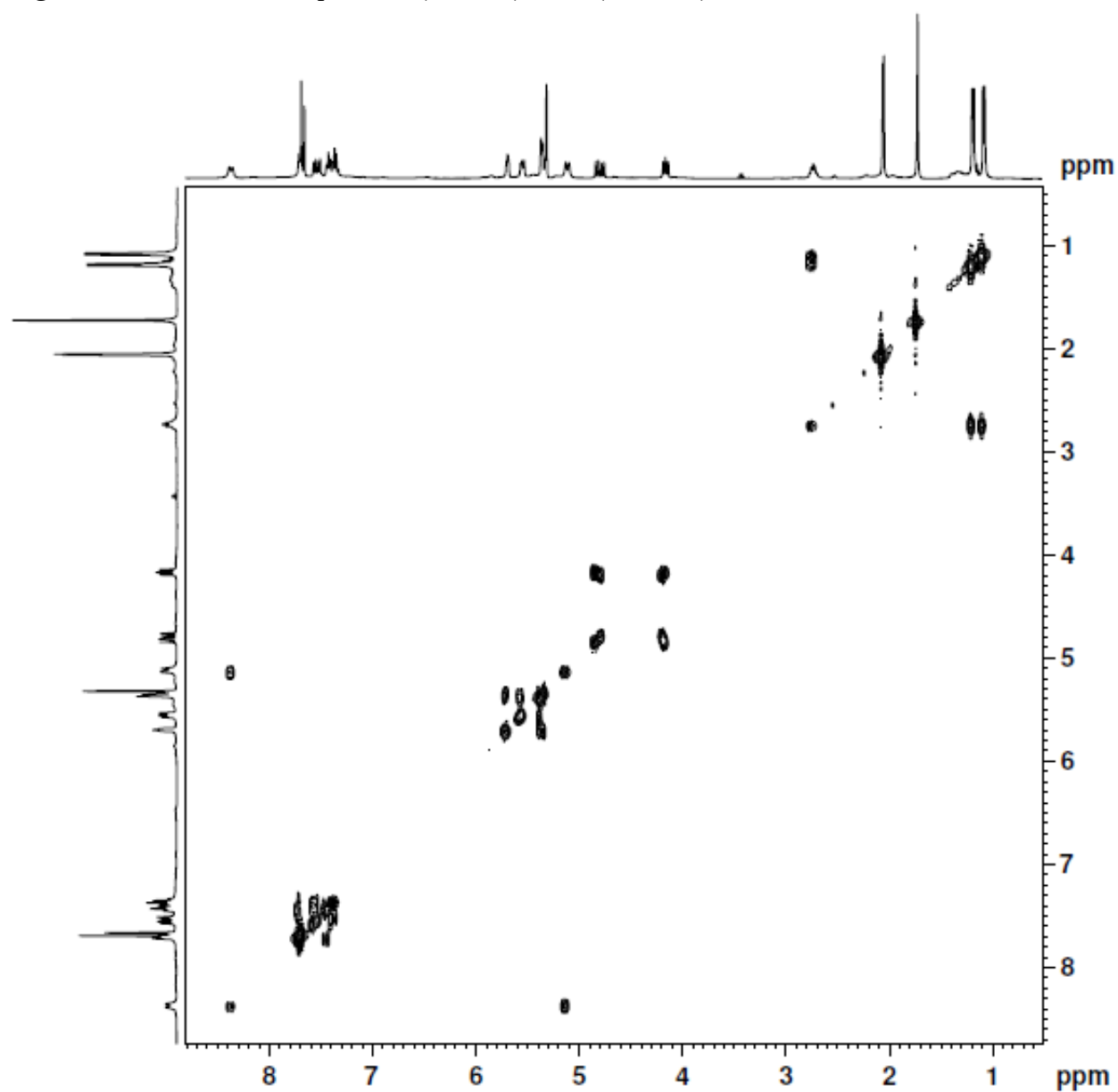


Figure S19. HSQC NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2c** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

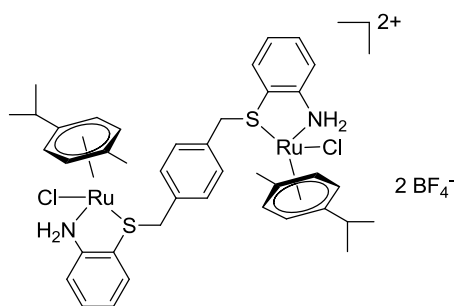
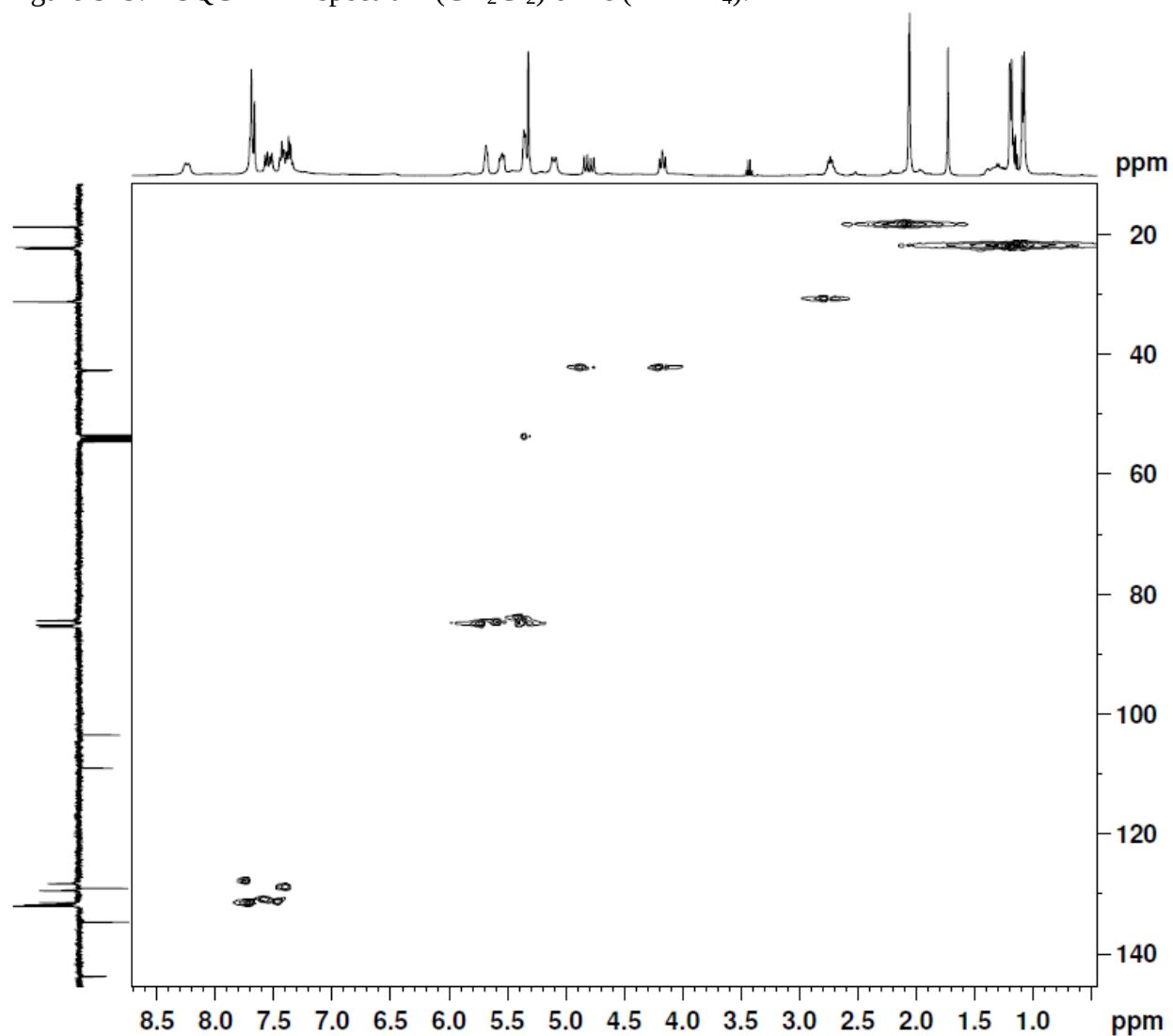




Figure S20. HMBC NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2c** ( $\text{X} = \text{BF}_4$ ).

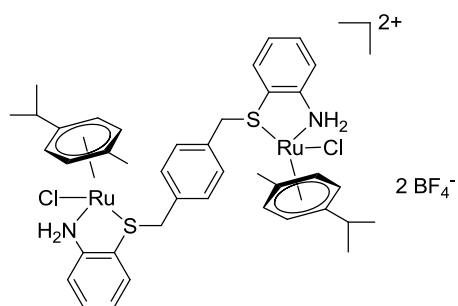
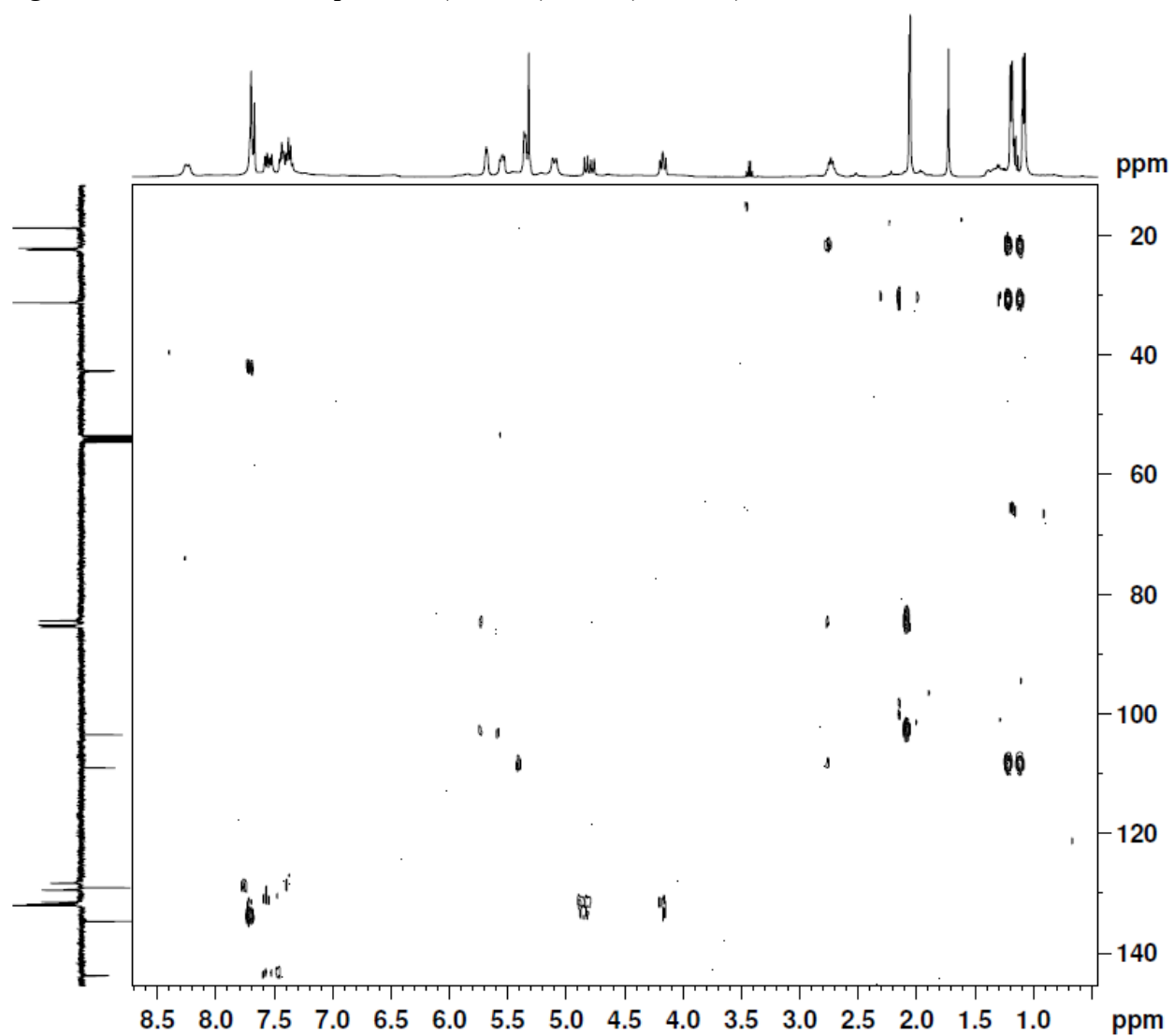


Figure S21.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of **2c** ( $\text{X} = \text{PF}_6$ ).

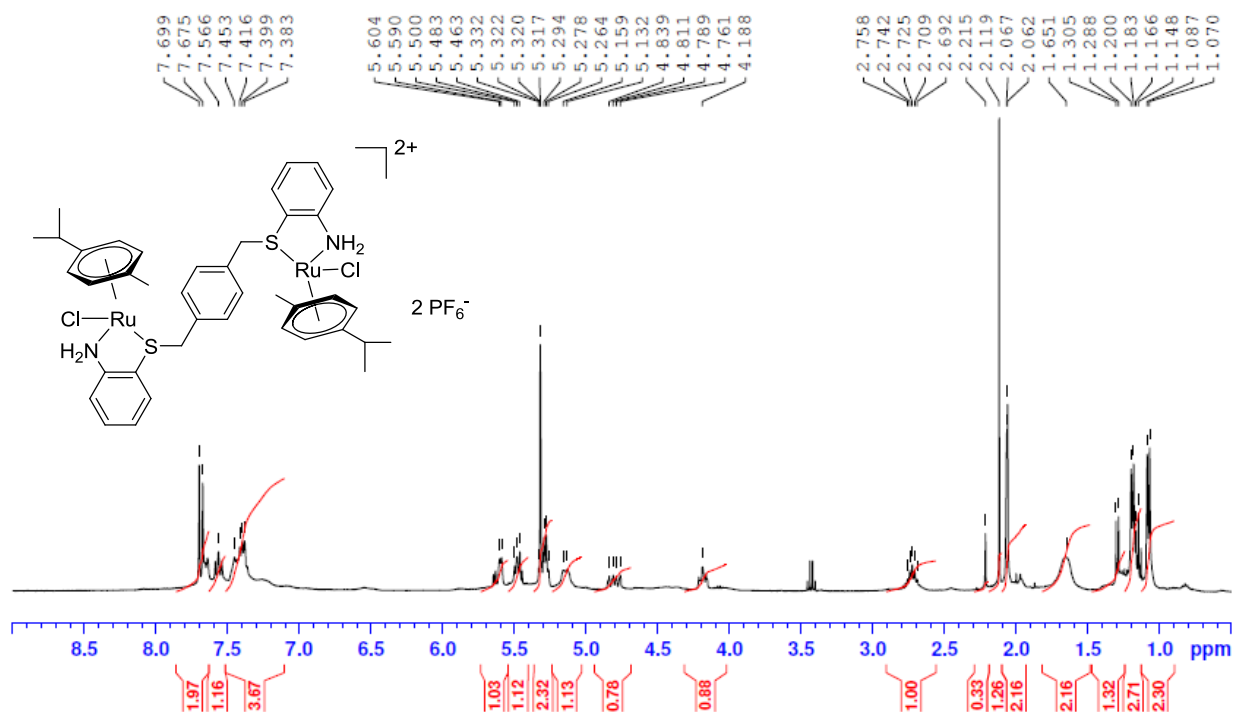


Figure S22.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ) of **3** (X =  $\text{BF}_4^-$ ).

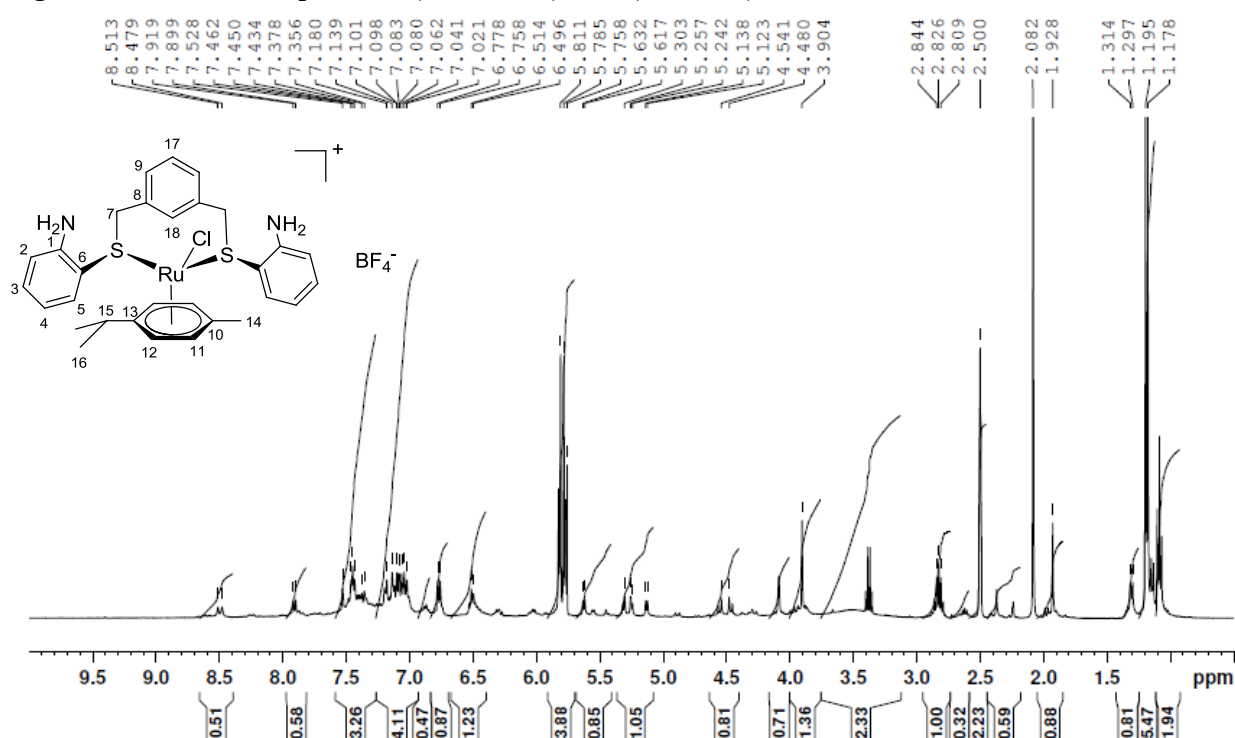
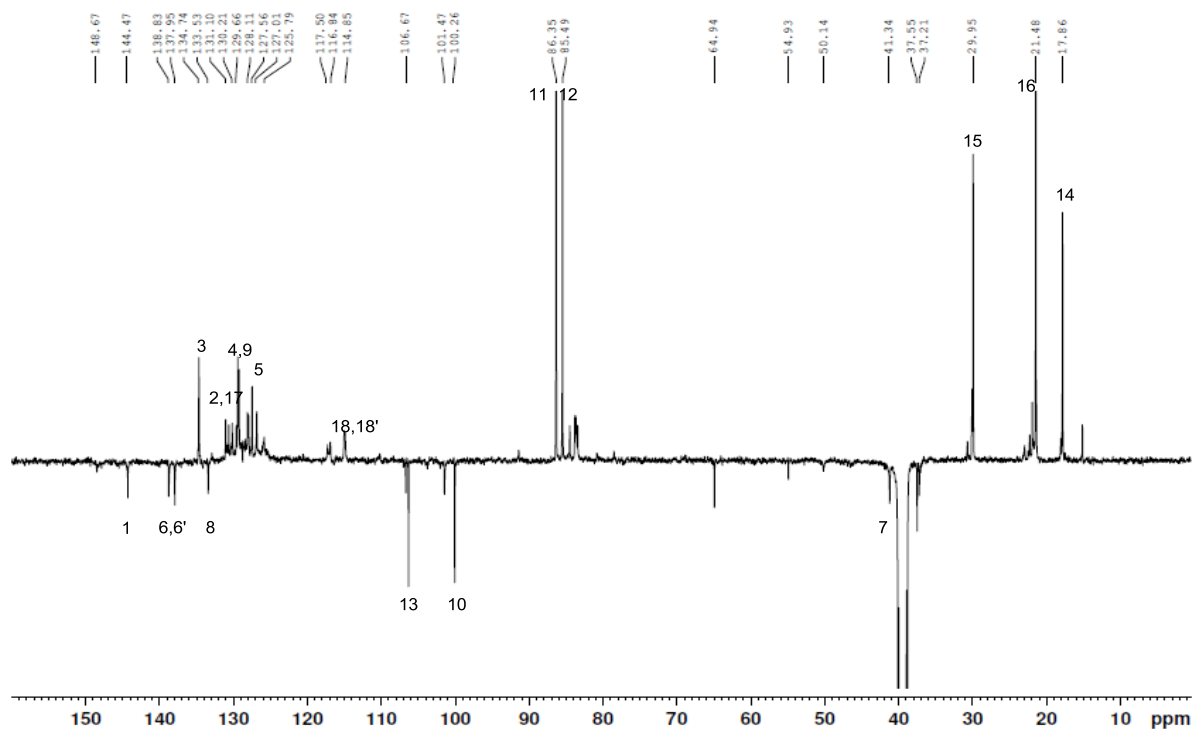


Figure S23.  $^{13}\text{C}$  jmod NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ) of **3** (X =  $\text{BF}_4^-$ ).



Contains the minor compound **3-anti** (not labelled).

Figure S24. COSY NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ) of **3** ( $X = BF_4$ ).

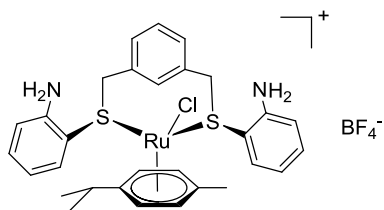
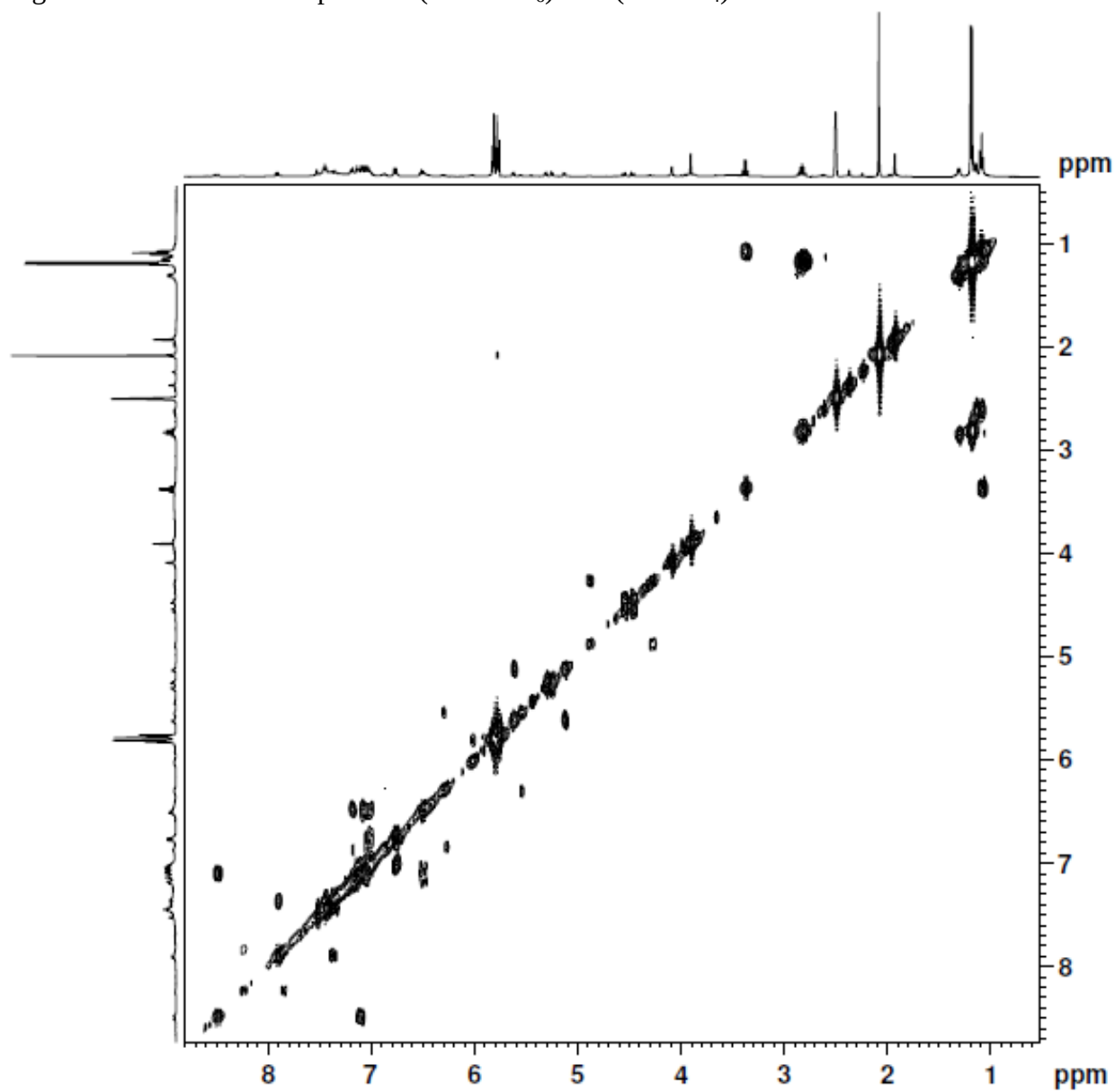


Figure S25. COSY NMR spectrum (zoom) (DMSO- $d_6$ ) of **3** ( $X = \text{BF}_4^-$ ).

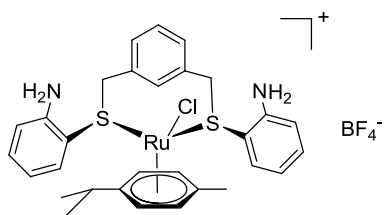
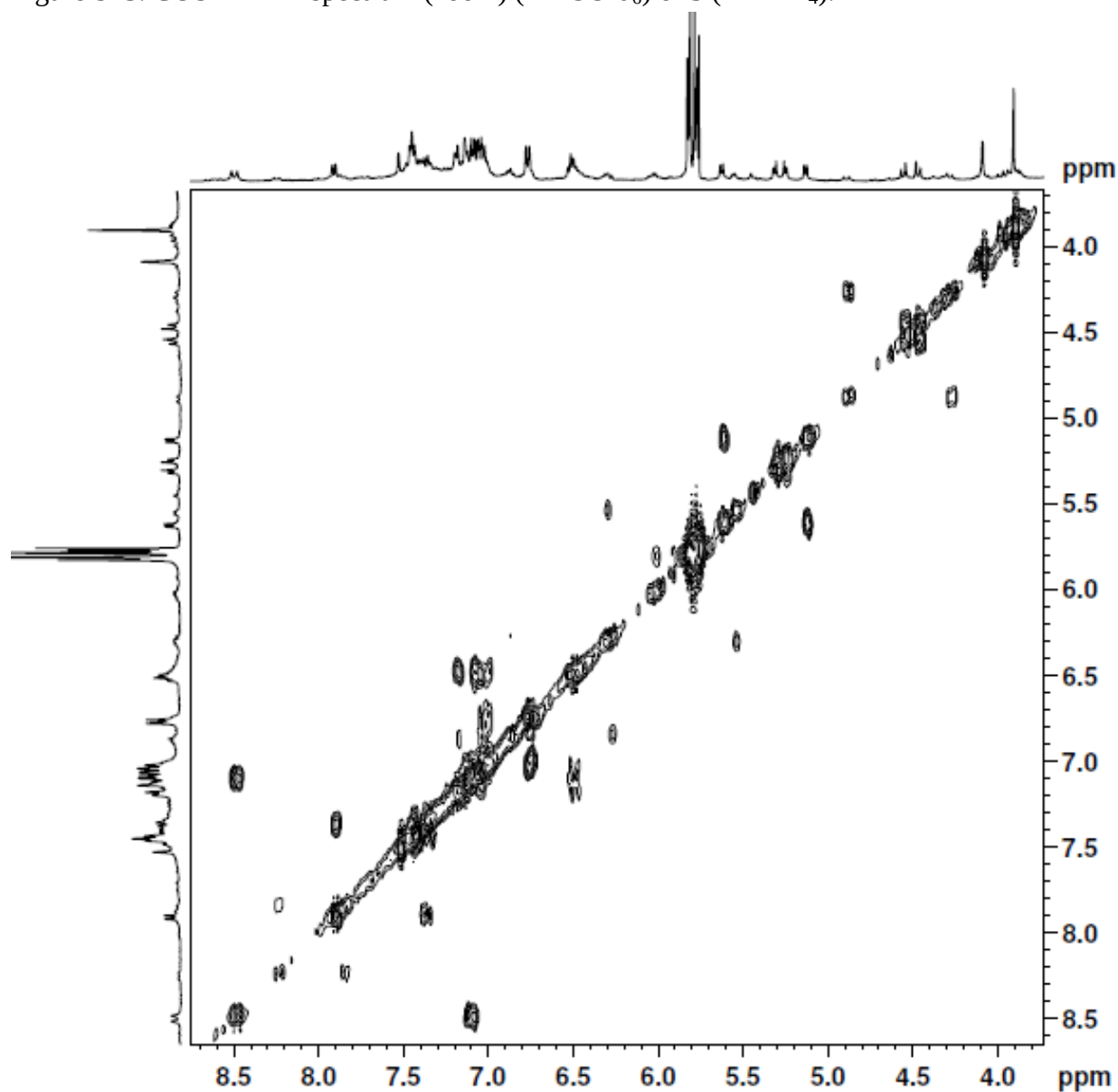


Figure S26. HSQC NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ) of **3** (X =  $\text{BF}_4^-$ ).

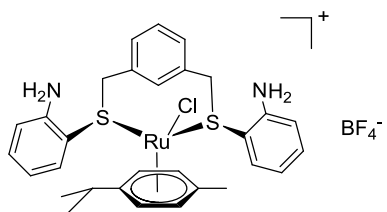
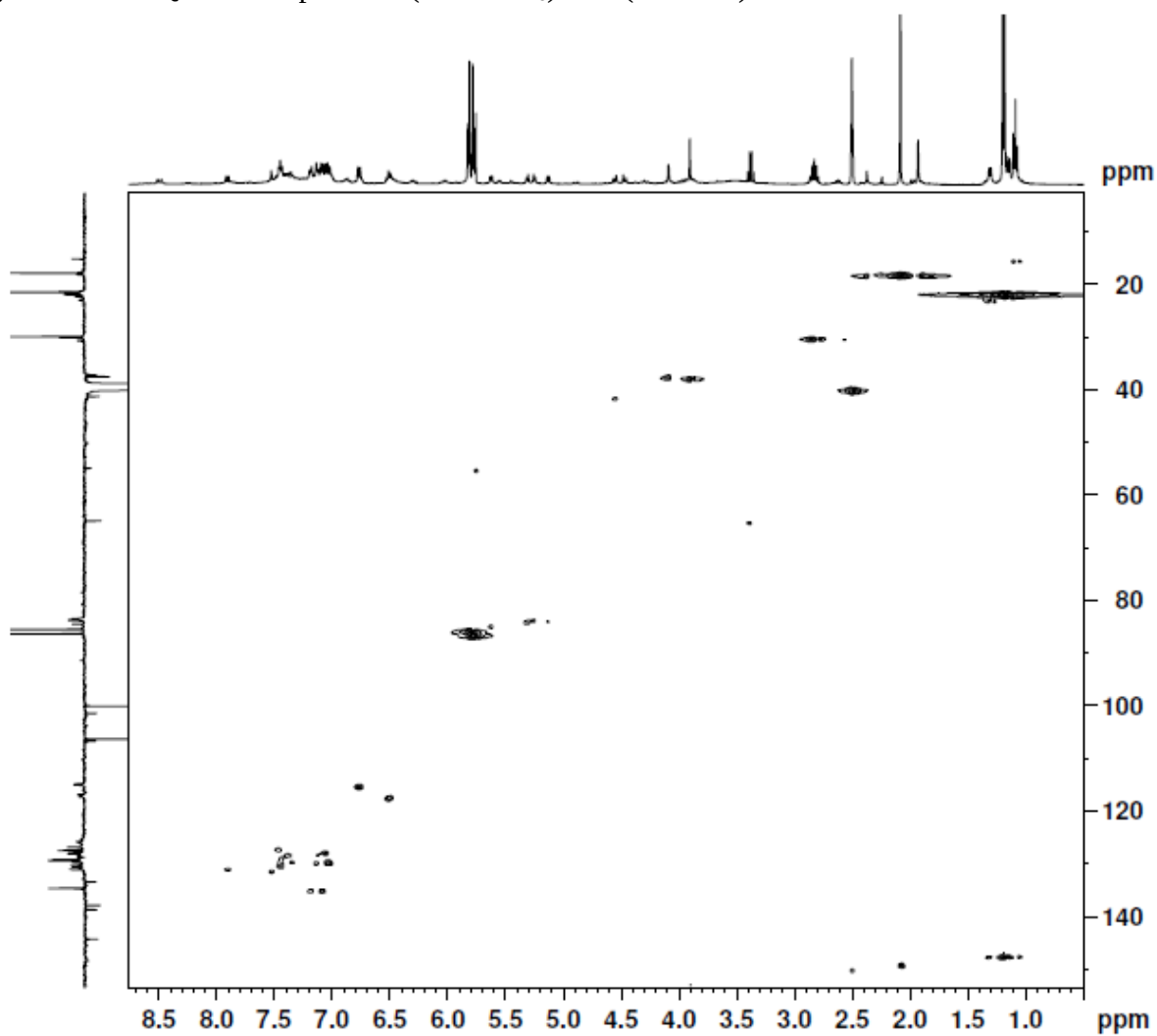


Figure S27. HSQC NMR spectrum (zoom) (DMSO- $d_6$ ) of **3** ( $X = BF_4$ ).

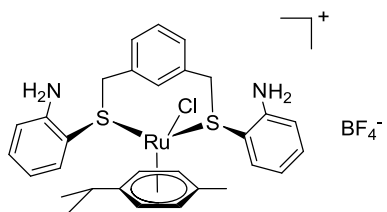
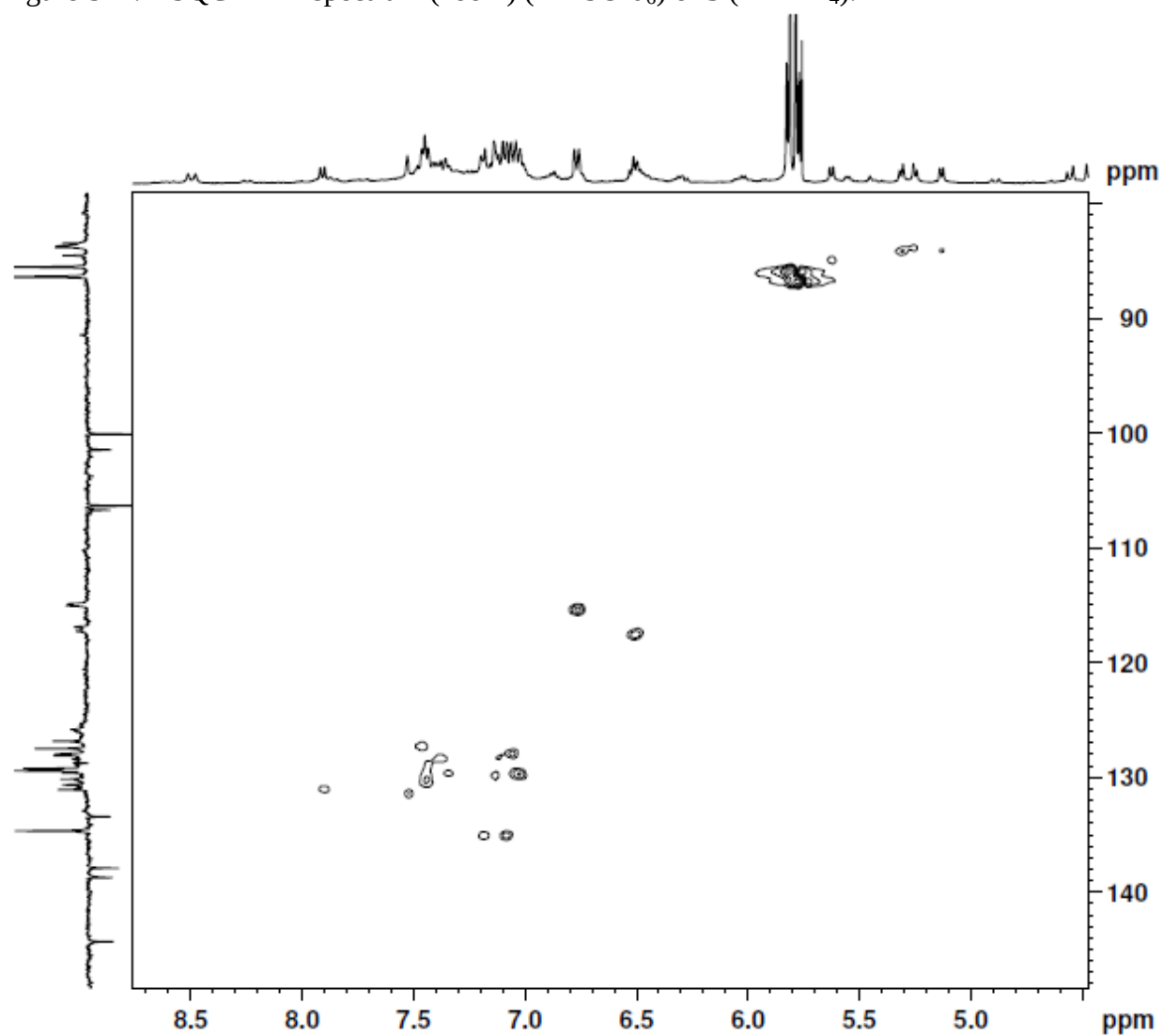
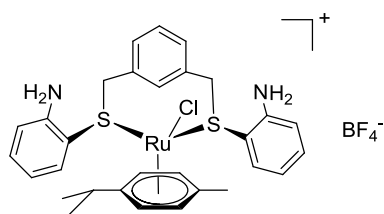
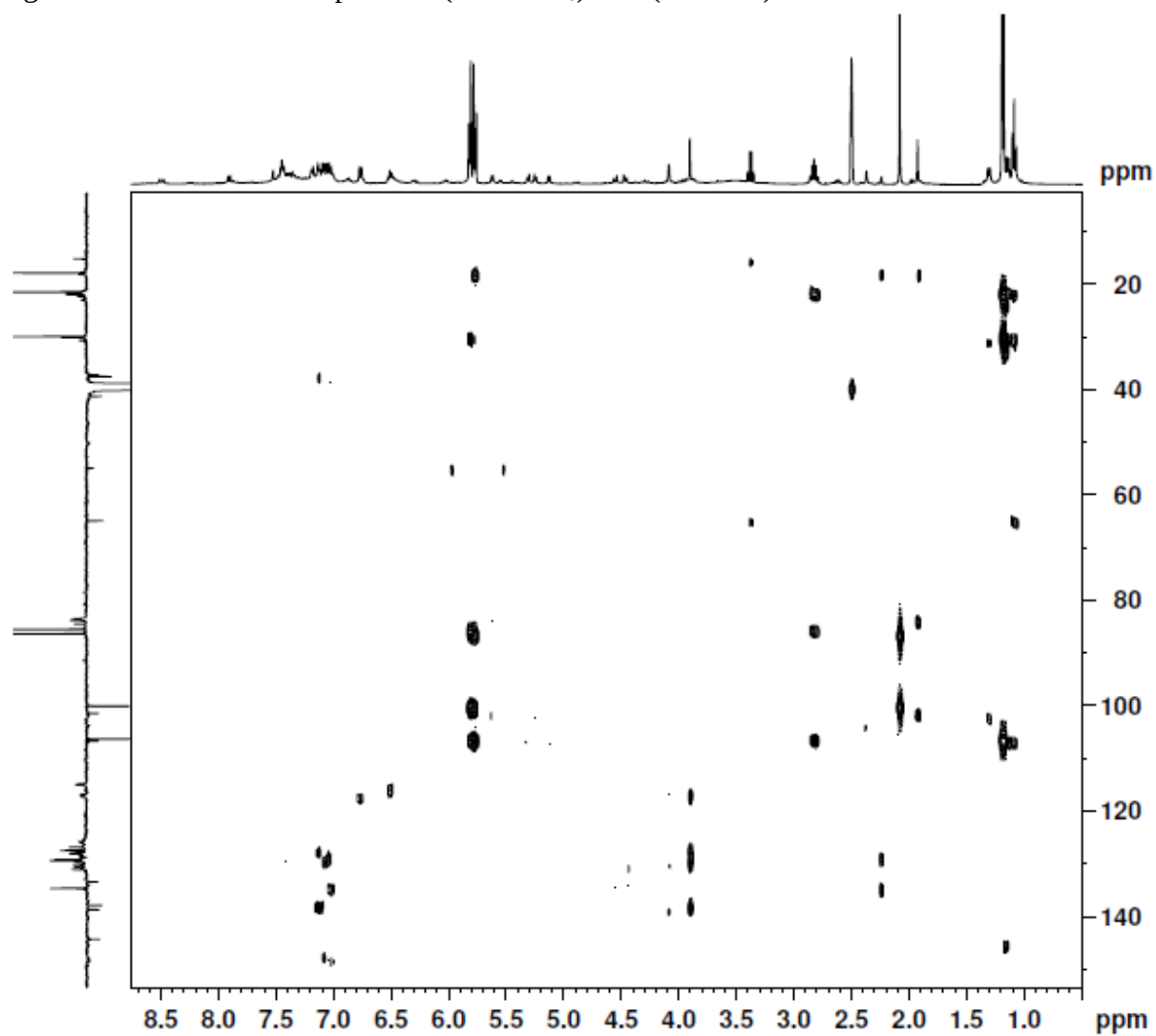


Figure S28. HMBC NMR spectrum (DMSO- $d_6$ ) of **3** ( $X = \text{BF}_4^-$ ).





## General Information on UPLC-MSMS

Instrument: Waters XevoG2 UPLC-MSMS

Column: Acquity UPLC BEH C18 1.7 $\mu$ m, 2.1 x 50 mm

ESI Naformate\_positive mode

Enhance accurate mass range 50 to 1,200 m/z

Capillary 0.8 kV

Sampling cone 5 to 35.0 V

Source T: 100°C

Desolvation T: 550°C

Cone gas flow: 50 L/h

Desolvation gas flow: 1,000 L/h

Solvent: 90 Vol% CAN : 10Vol% water plus 0.1wt% formic acid

HRMS results were calibrated for leucine enkephalin lock masses 278.1141 *m/z* and 556.2771 *m/z* for **2a** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>), **2b** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) and **2c** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>).

Theoretical isotope pattern based on MassLynx software package using the following masses:

### **H Hydrogen**

| Rel. Abundance | Mass (amu) |
|----------------|------------|
| 99.9885        | 1.00782503 |
| 0.0115         | 2.01410178 |

### **N Nitrogen**

| Rel. Abundance | Mass (amu)  |
|----------------|-------------|
| 99.6360        | 14.00307401 |
| 0.3640         | 15.00010897 |

### **C Carbon**

| Rel. Abundance | Mass (amu)  |
|----------------|-------------|
| 98.9300        | 12.00000000 |

|        |             |
|--------|-------------|
| 1.0700 | 13.00335484 |
|--------|-------------|

**O Oxygen**

| Rel. Abundance | Mass (amu)  |
|----------------|-------------|
| 99.7570        | 15.99491462 |
| 0.0380         | 16.99913150 |
| 0.2050         | 17.99916040 |

**S Sulfur**

| Rel. Abundance | Mass (amu)  |
|----------------|-------------|
| 94.9900        | 31.97207073 |
| 0.7500         | 32.97145854 |
| 4.2500         | 33.96786687 |
| 0.0100         | 35.96708088 |

**Cl Chlorine**

| Rel. Abundance | Mass (amu)  |
|----------------|-------------|
| 75.7600        | 34.96885271 |
| 24.2400        | 36.96590260 |

**Ru Ruthenium**

| Rel. Abundance | Mass (amu)   |
|----------------|--------------|
| 5.5400         | 95.90760400  |
| 1.8700         | 97.90528700  |
| 12.7600        | 98.90593850  |
| 12.6000        | 99.90421890  |
| 17.0600        | 100.90558150 |
| 31.5500        | 101.90434880 |
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Figure S29. UPLC-MS chromatogram of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) – low energy ionization

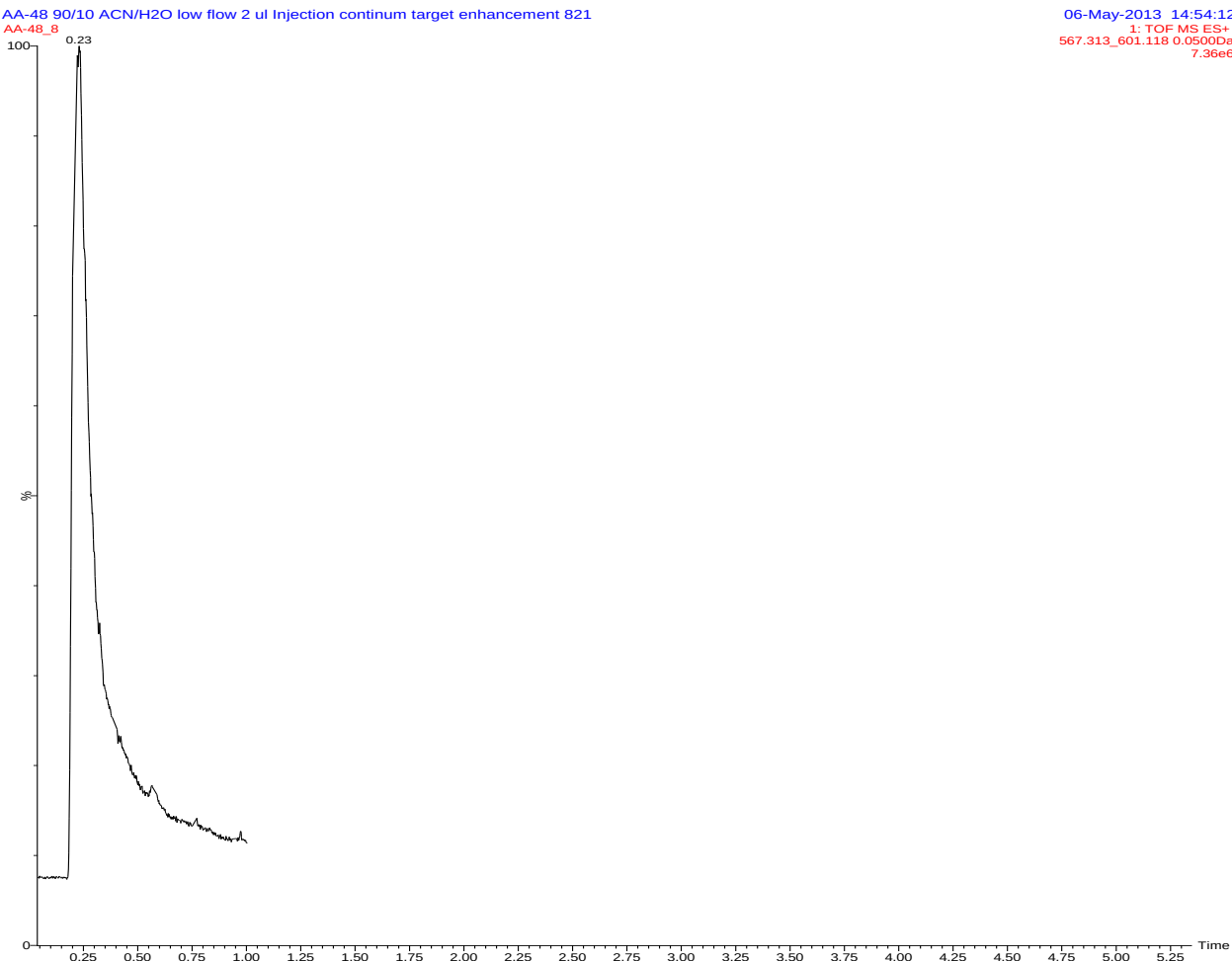


Figure S 30. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) – low energy ionization

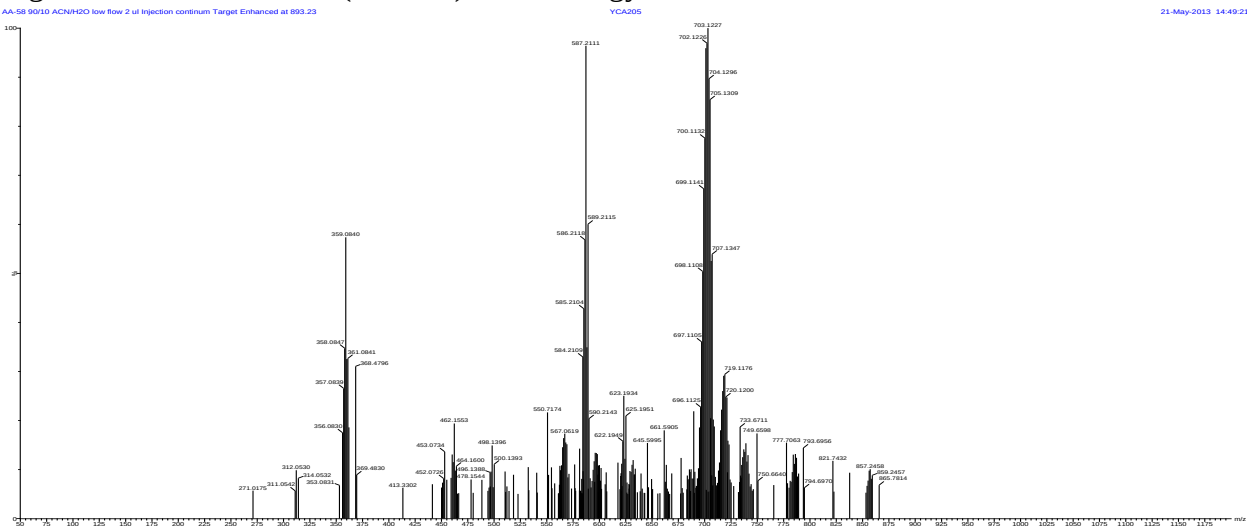


Figure S31. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 893 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

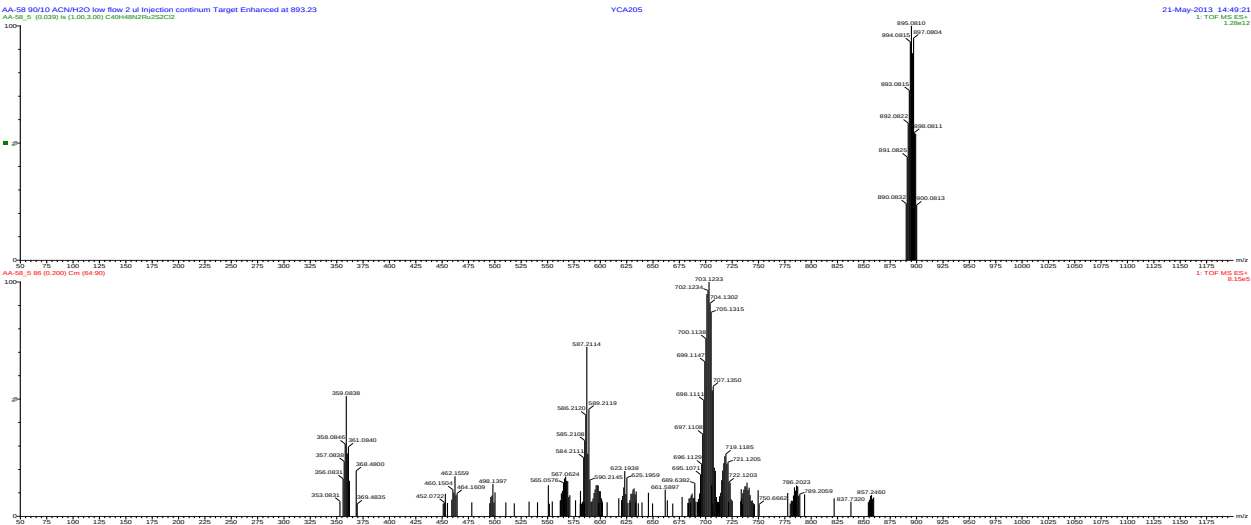


Figure S32. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 893 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

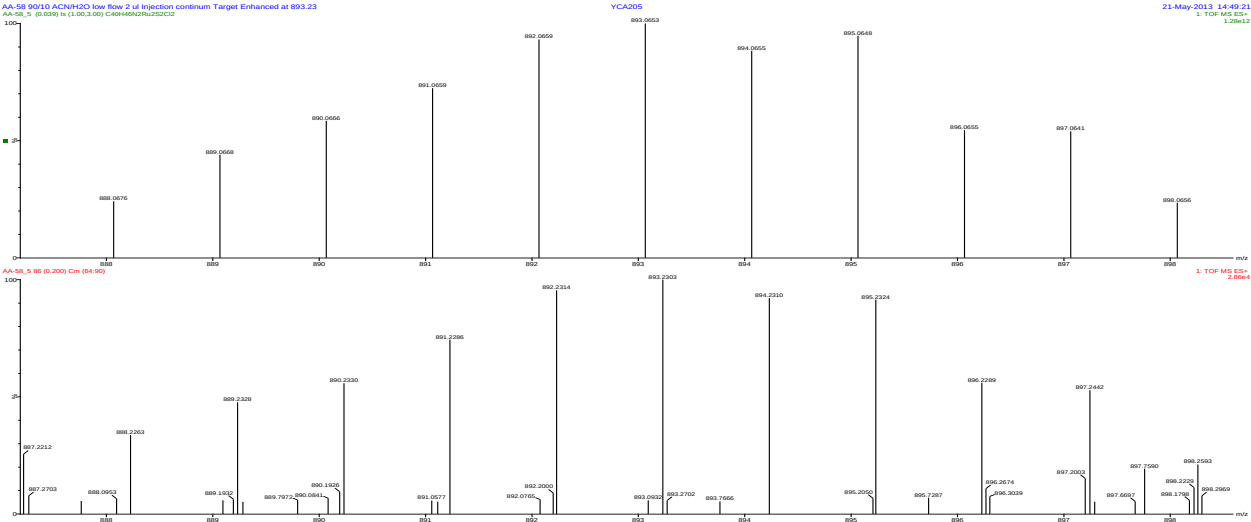


Figure S33. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 857 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

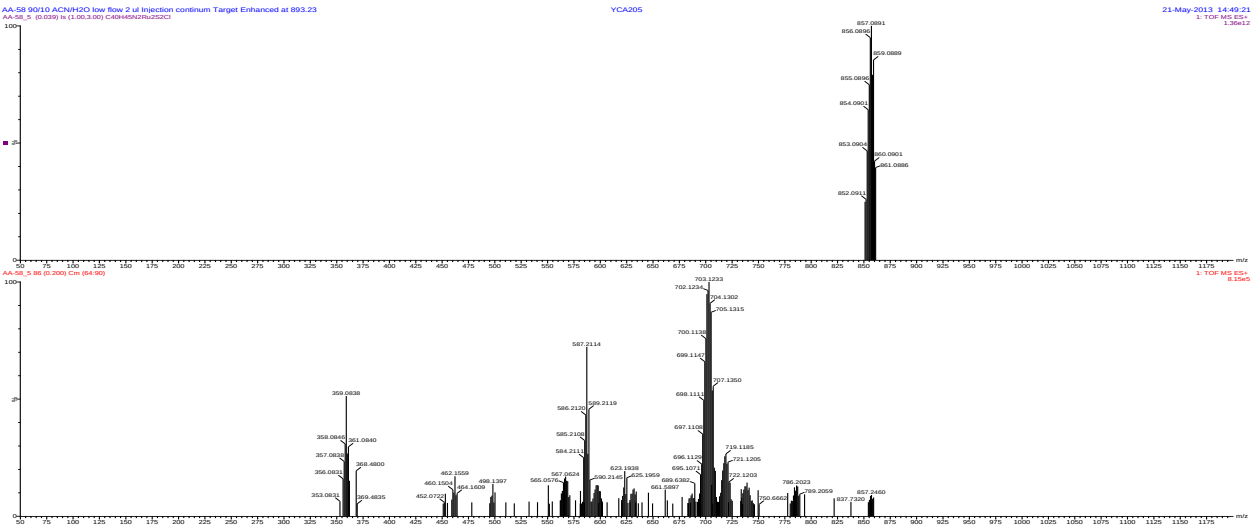


Figure S34. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 857 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

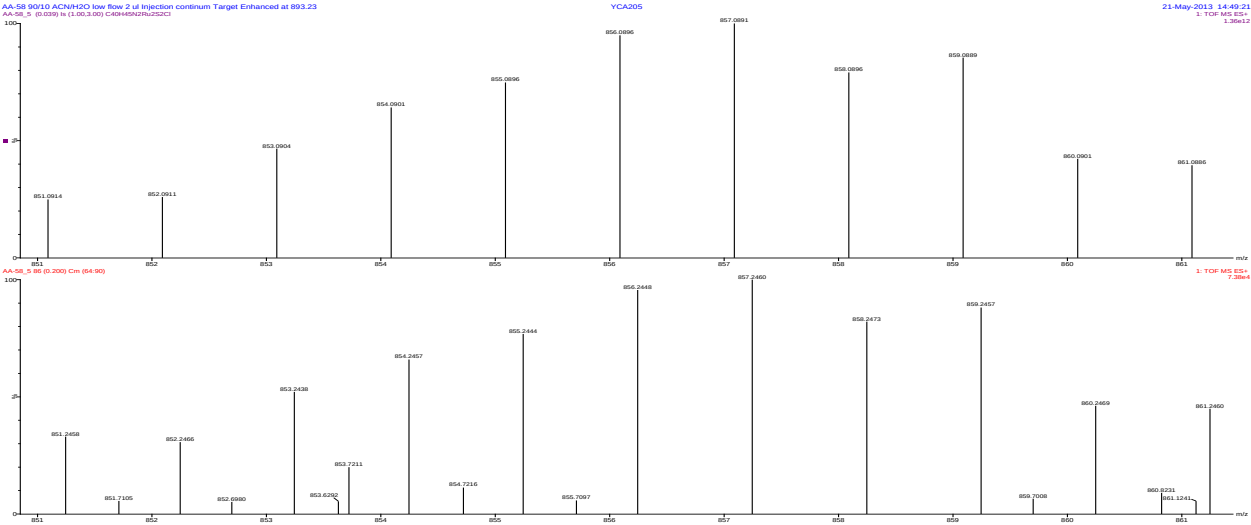


Figure S35. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 719 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

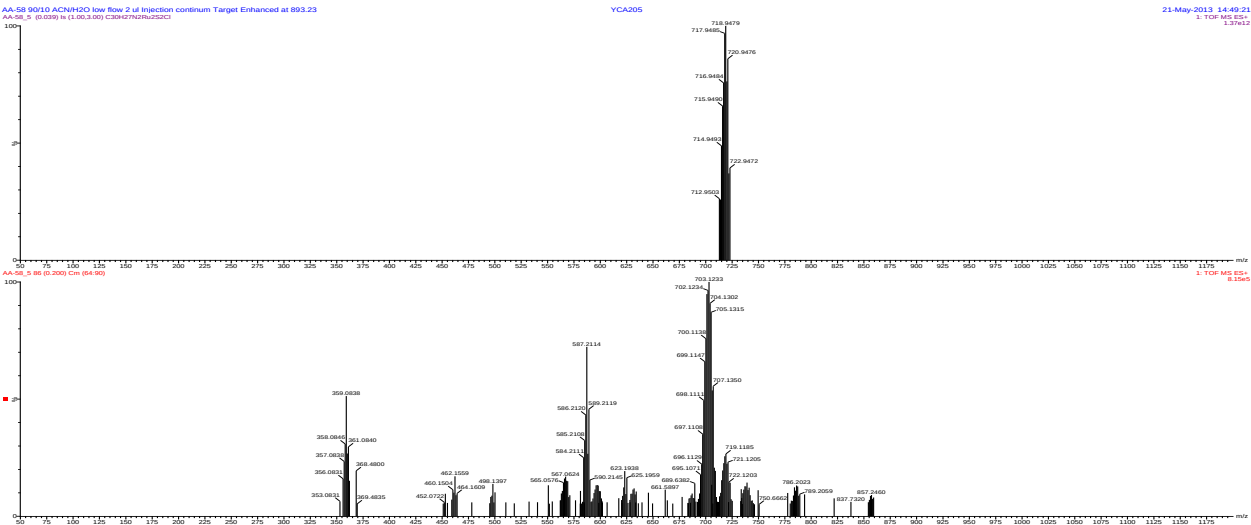


Figure S36. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 719 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

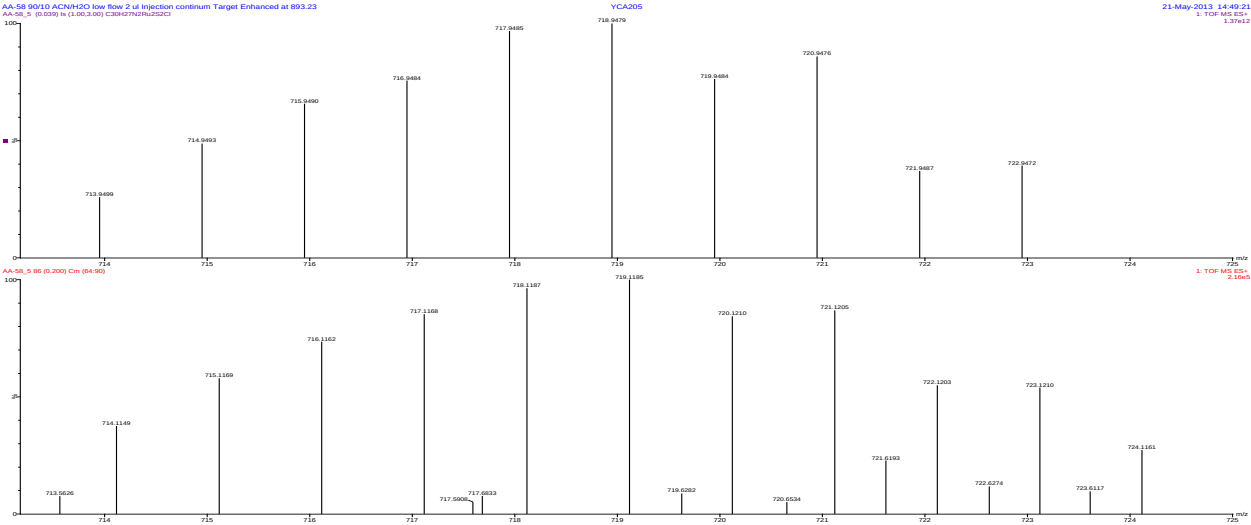


Figure S37. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 703 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

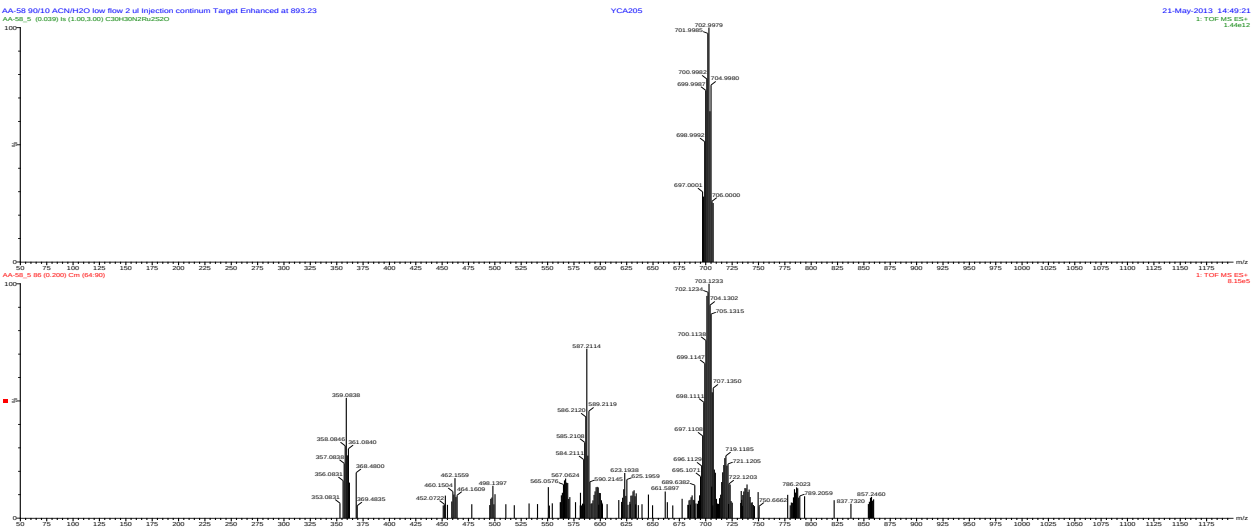


Figure S38. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 703 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

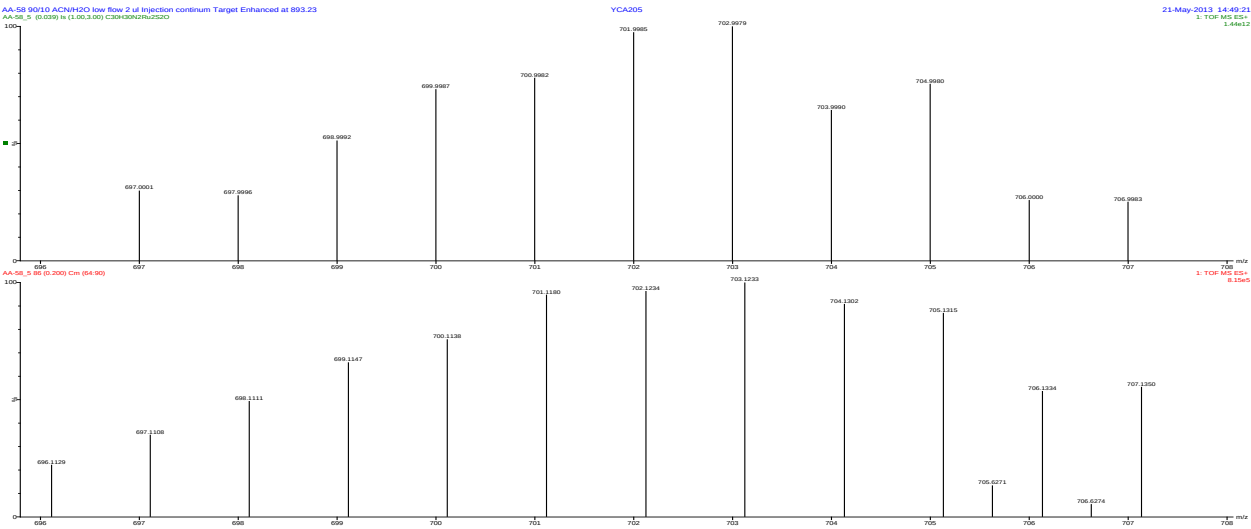


Figure S39. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 587 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

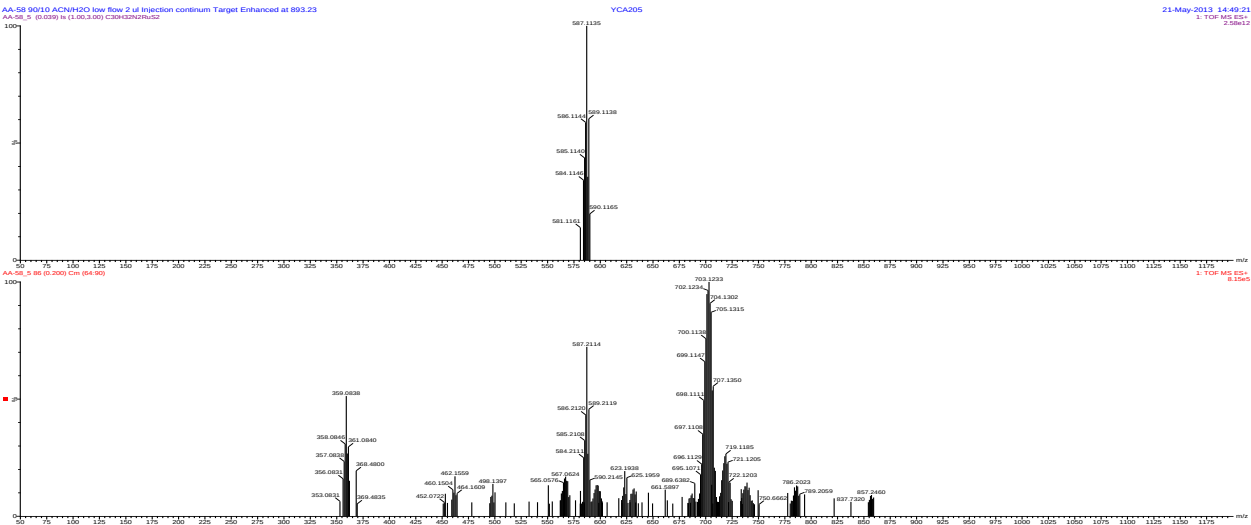




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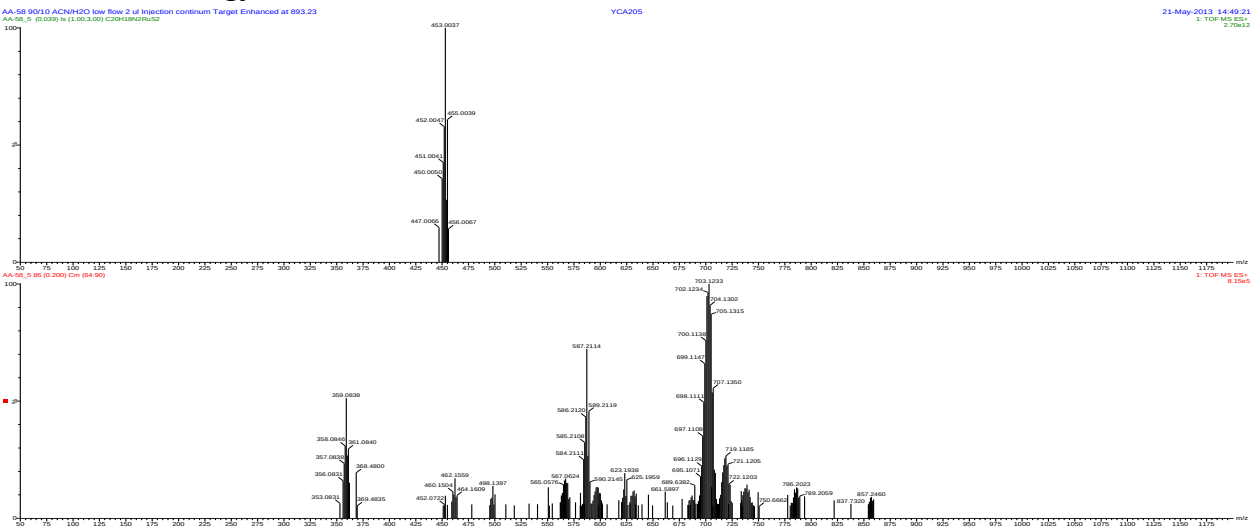


Figure S42. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 453 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

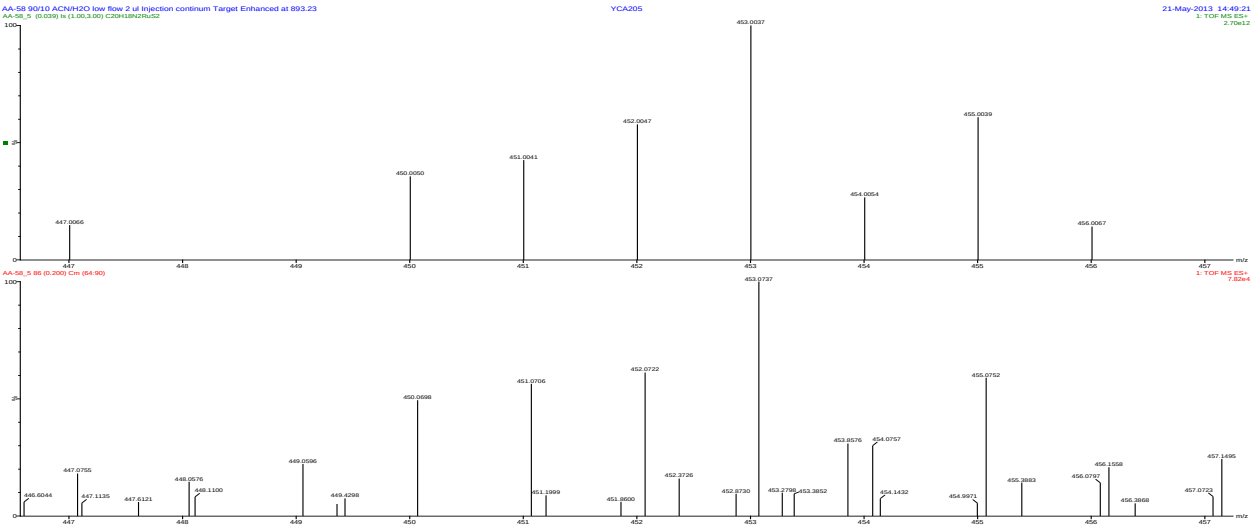


Figure S43. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 359 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

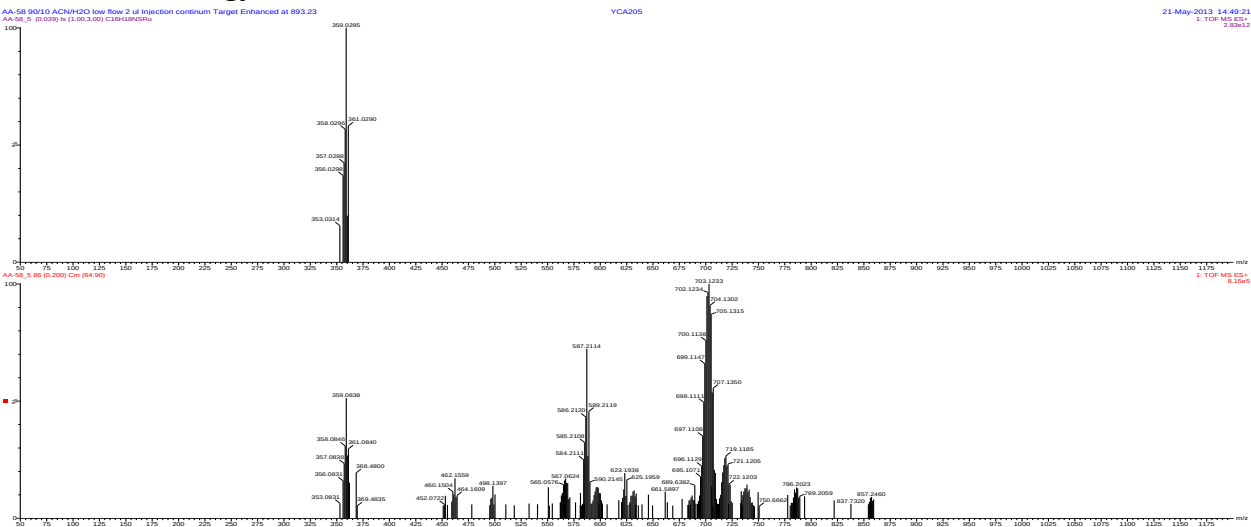


Figure S44. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 359 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

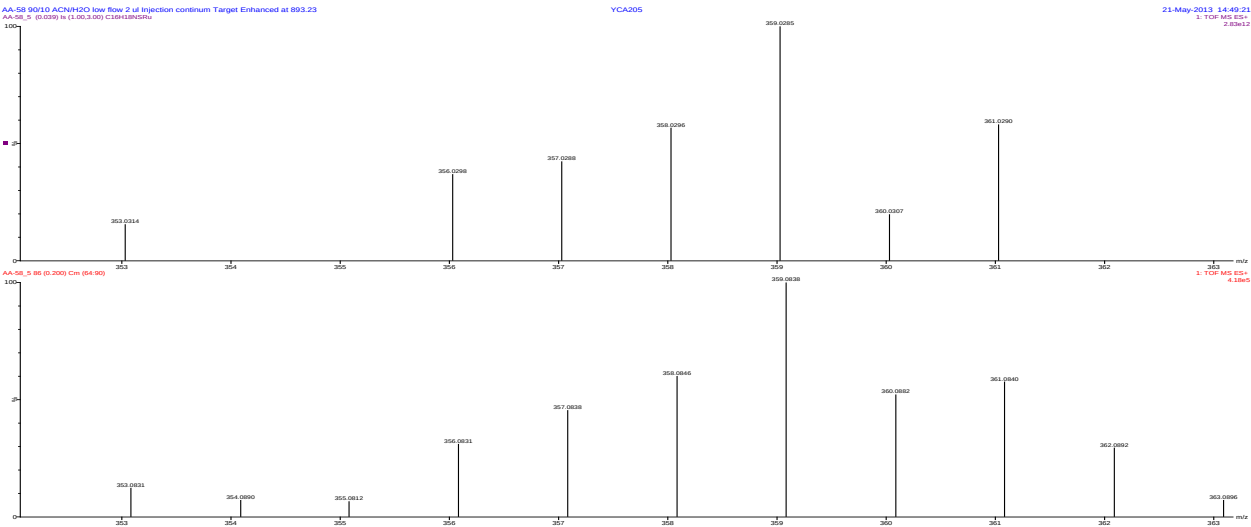


Figure S45. UPLC-MS chromatogram of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) – medium energy ionization



Figure S46. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) – medium energy ionization

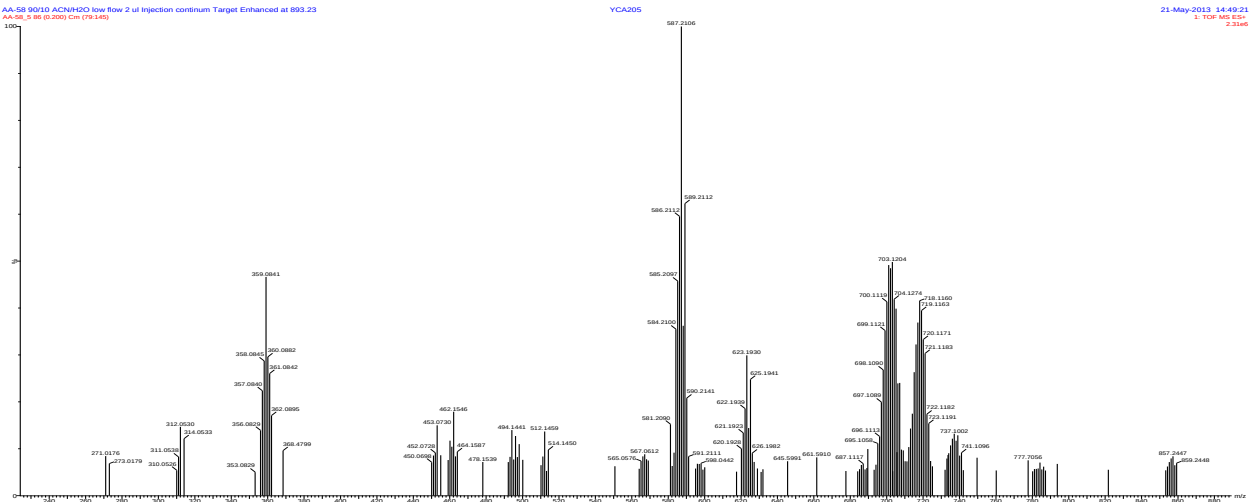


Figure S47. UPLC-MS chromatogram of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) – high energy ionization

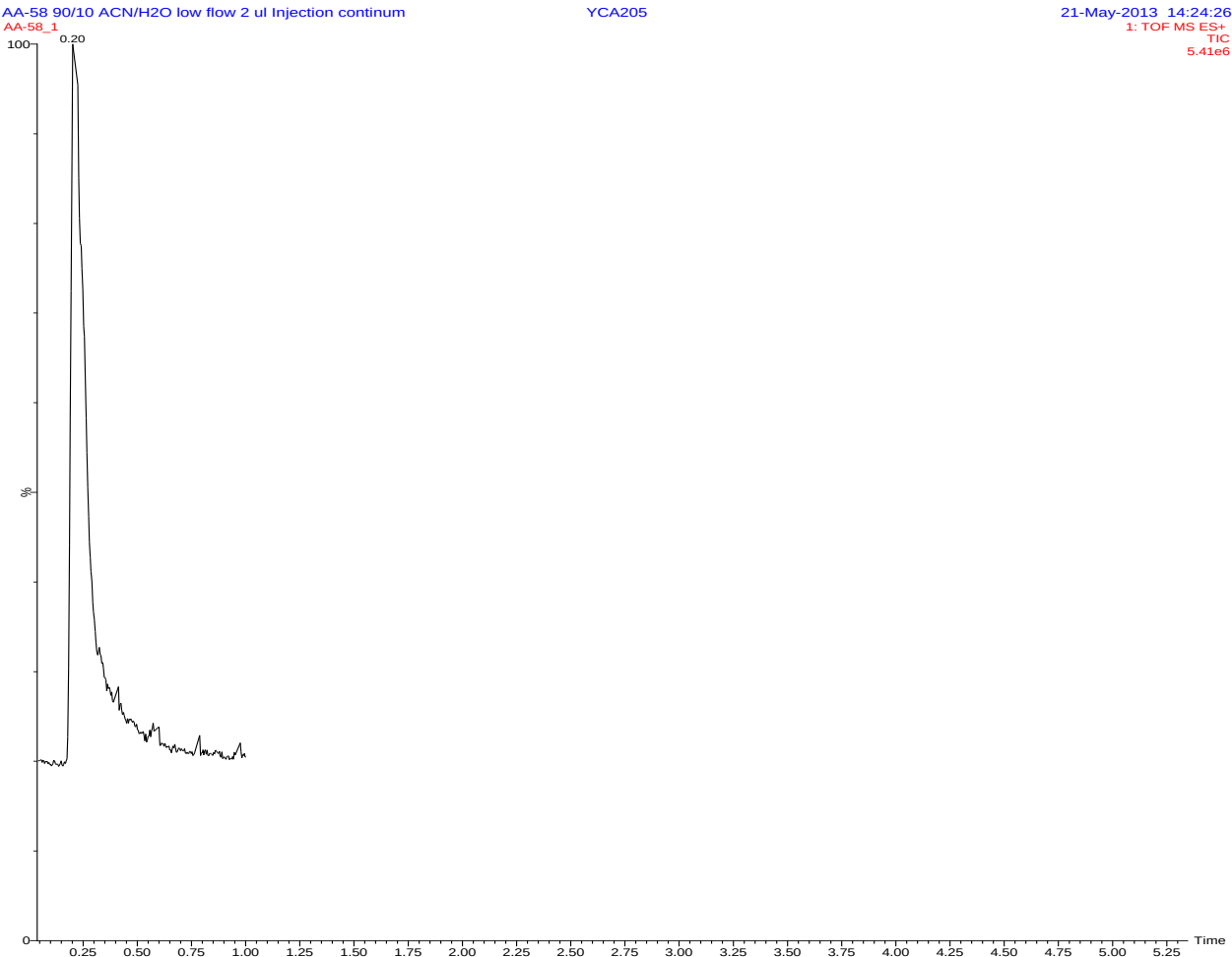


Figure S48. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) – high energy ionization

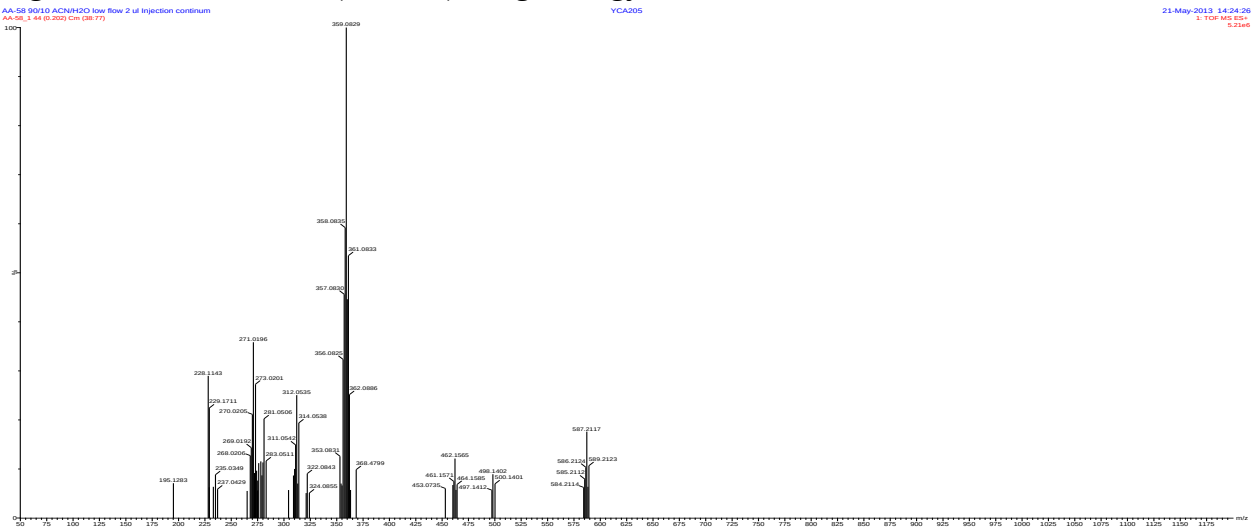


Figure S49. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 587 m/z (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

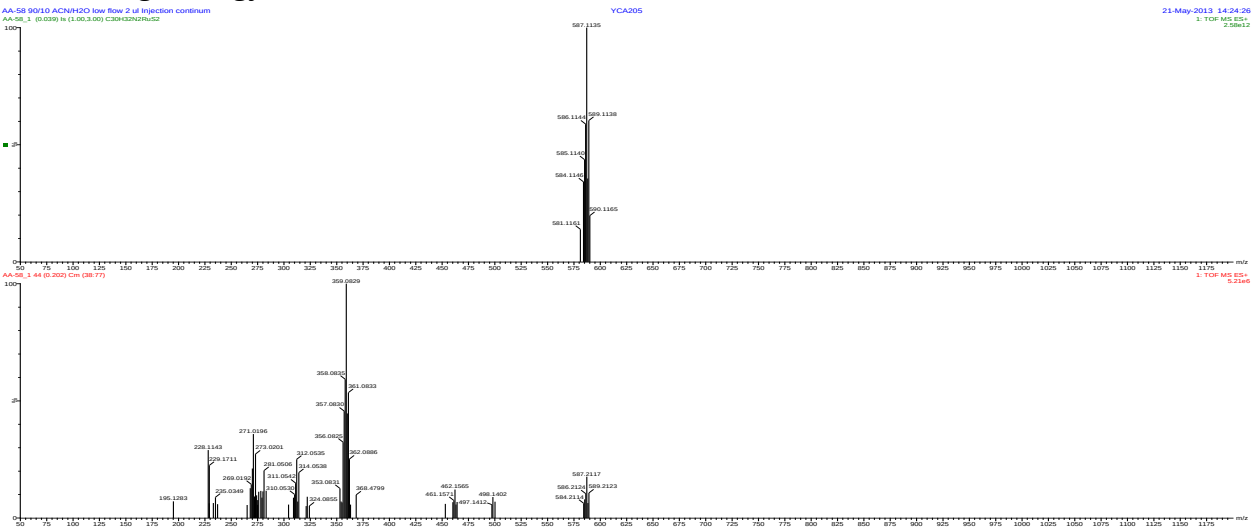


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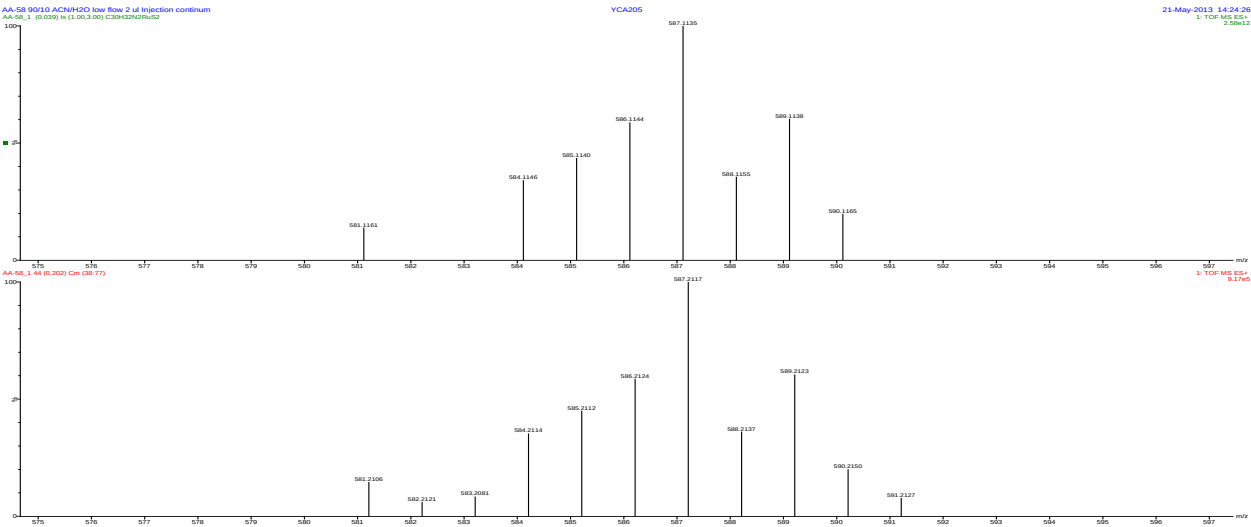


Figure S51. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 359 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

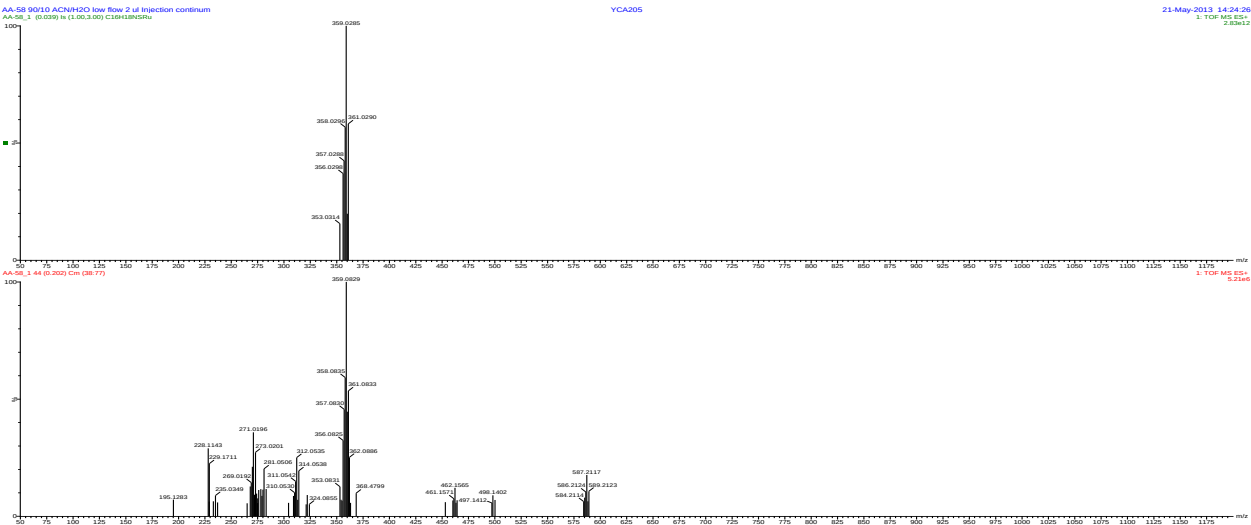


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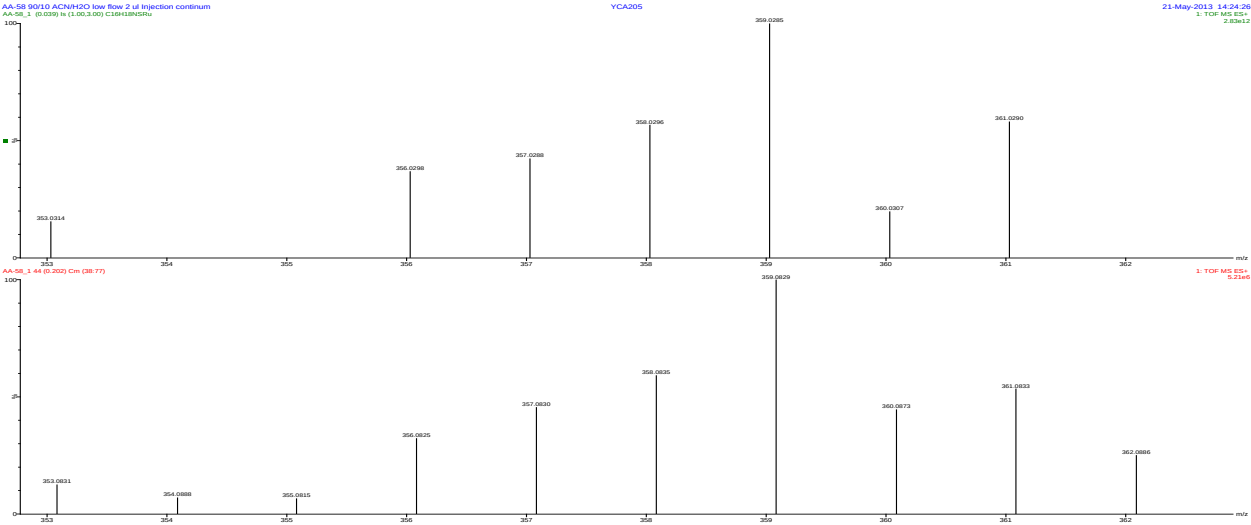


Figure S53. HRMS of **2a** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 312 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

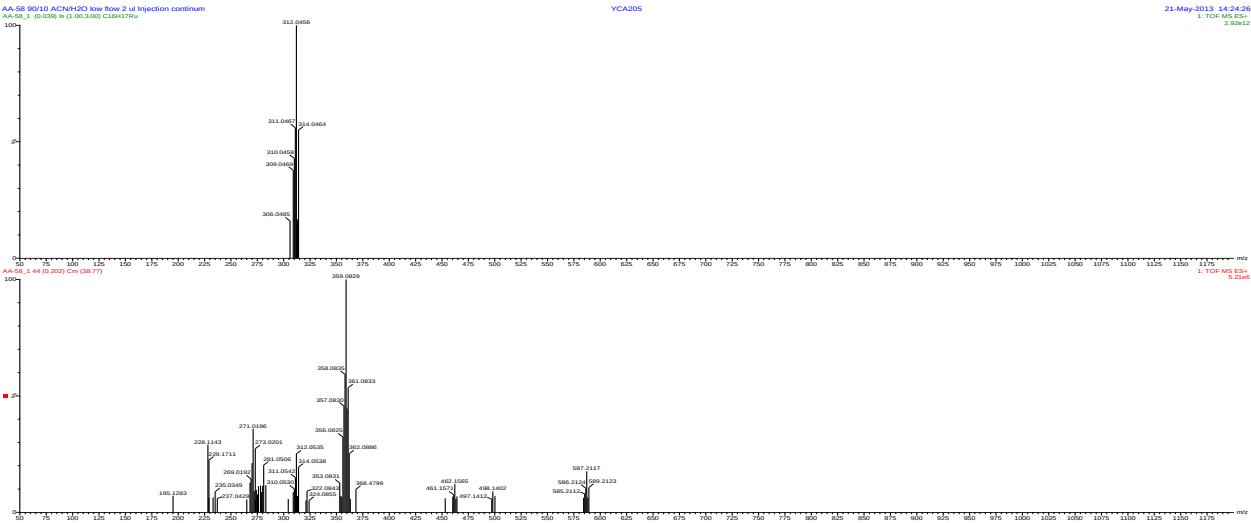


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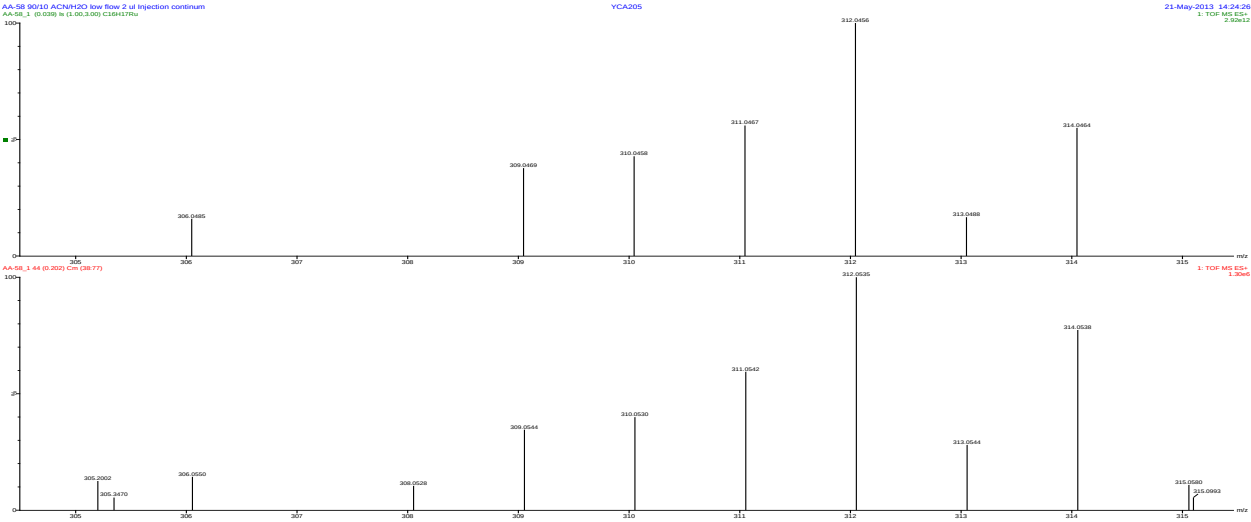




Figure S55. UPLC-MS chromatogram of **2a** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) – high energy ionization

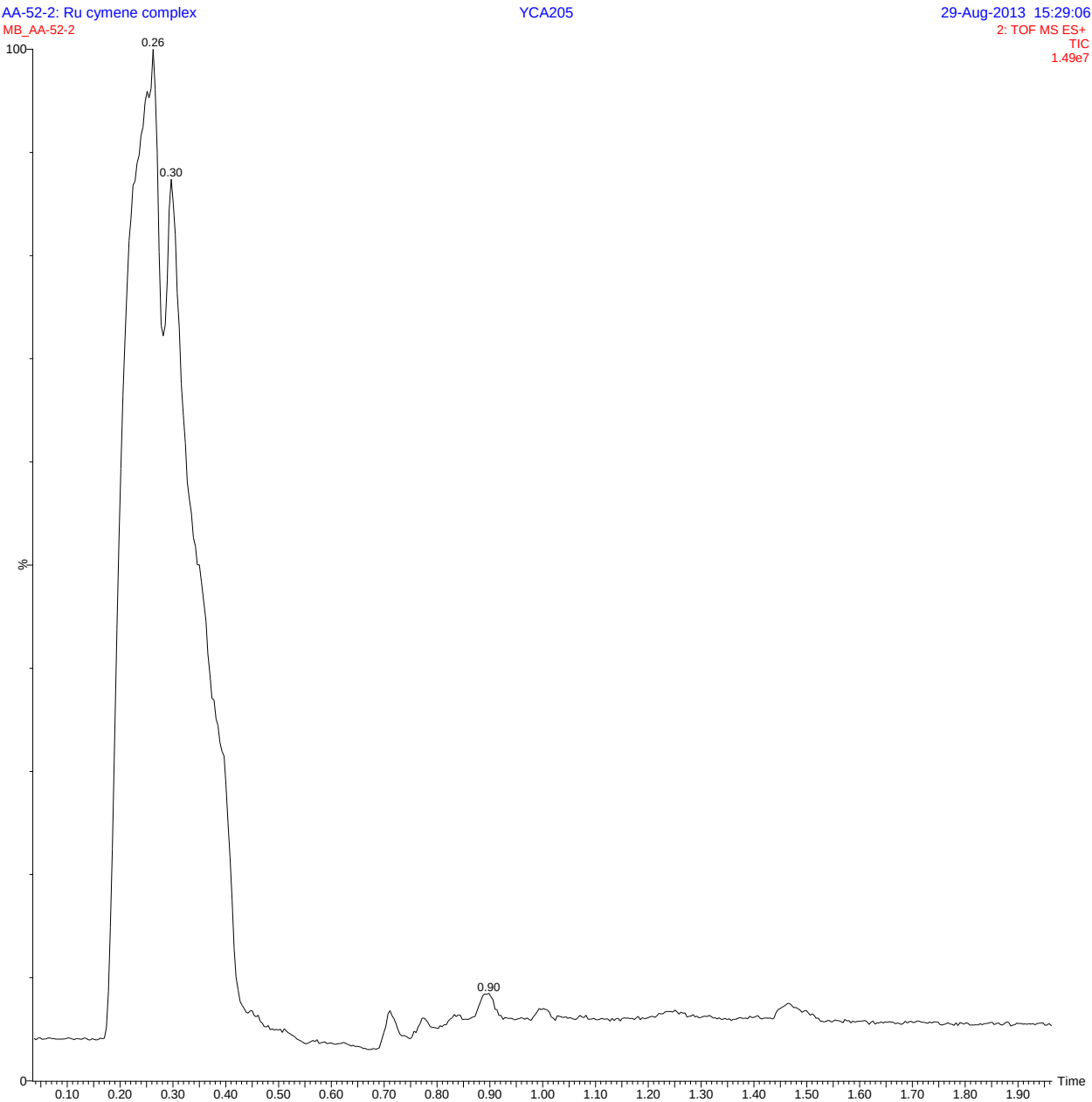


Figure S56. HRMS of **2a** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) – high energy ionization

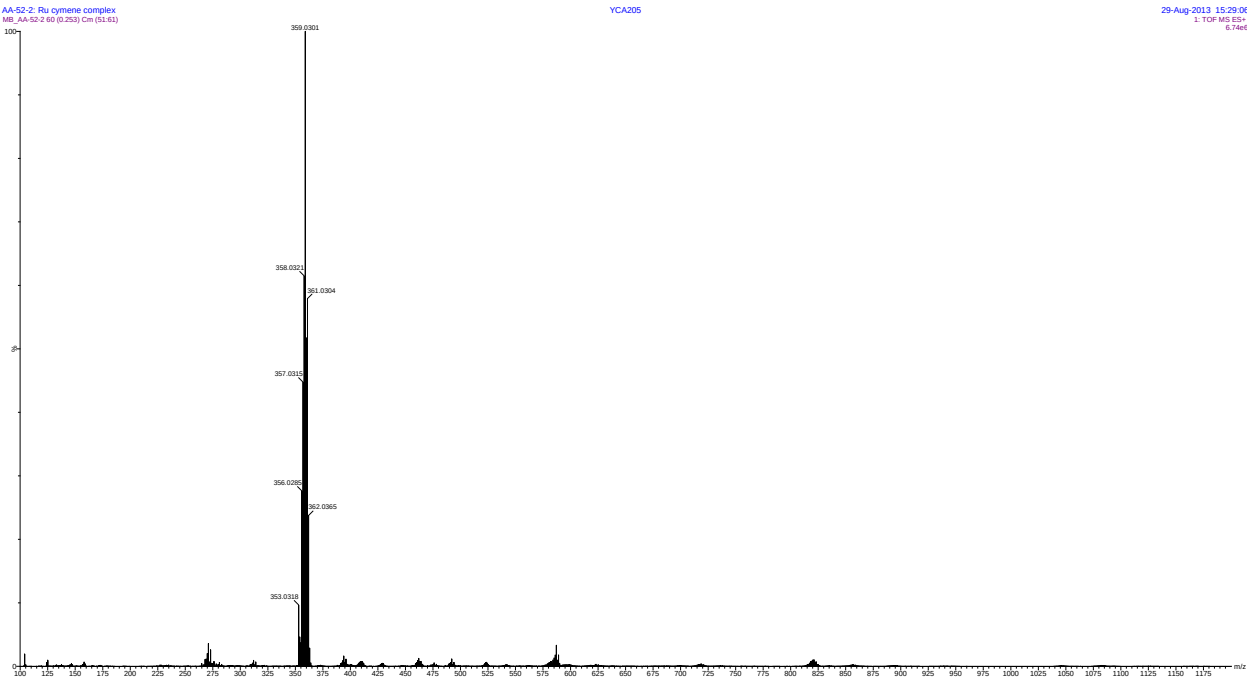


Figure S57. HRMS of **2a** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 893 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

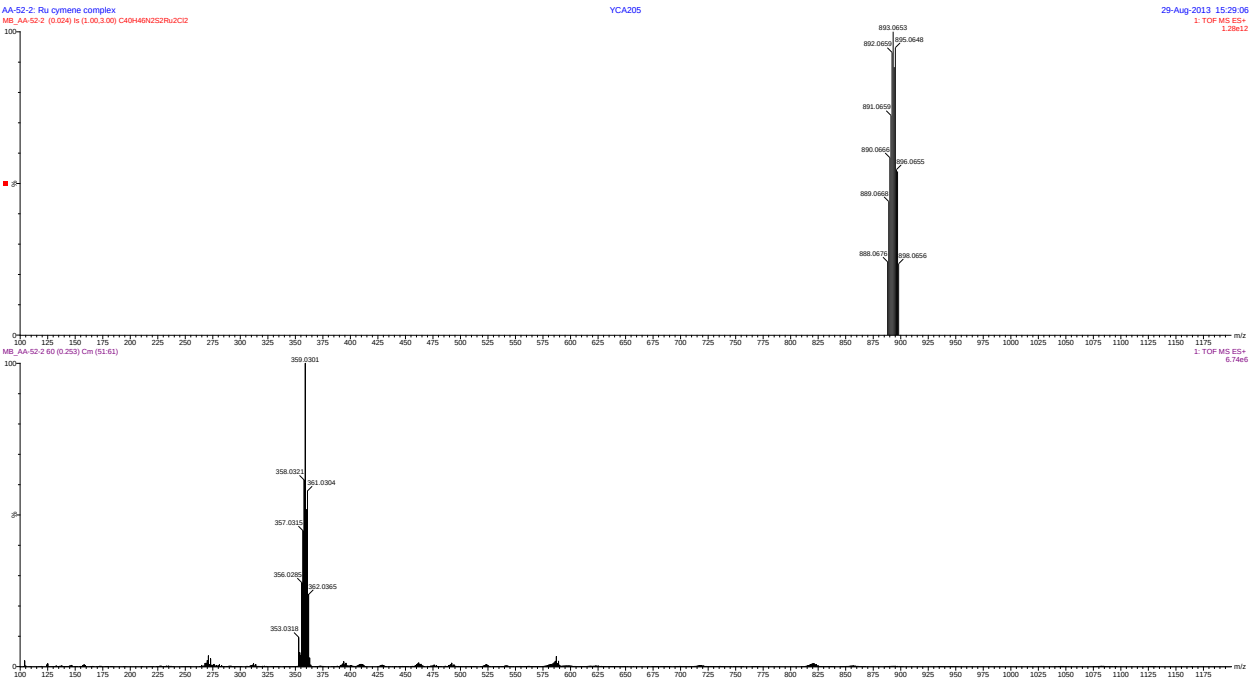


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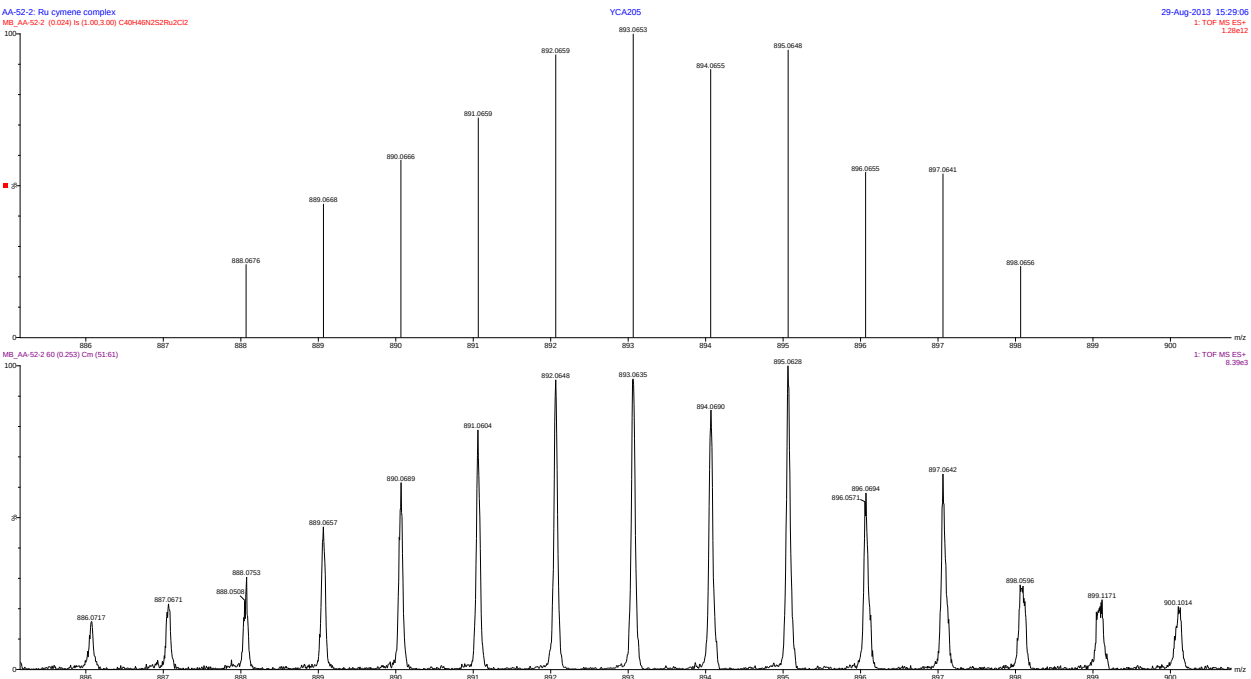


Figure S59. UPLC-MS chromatogram of **2b** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) – low energy ionization

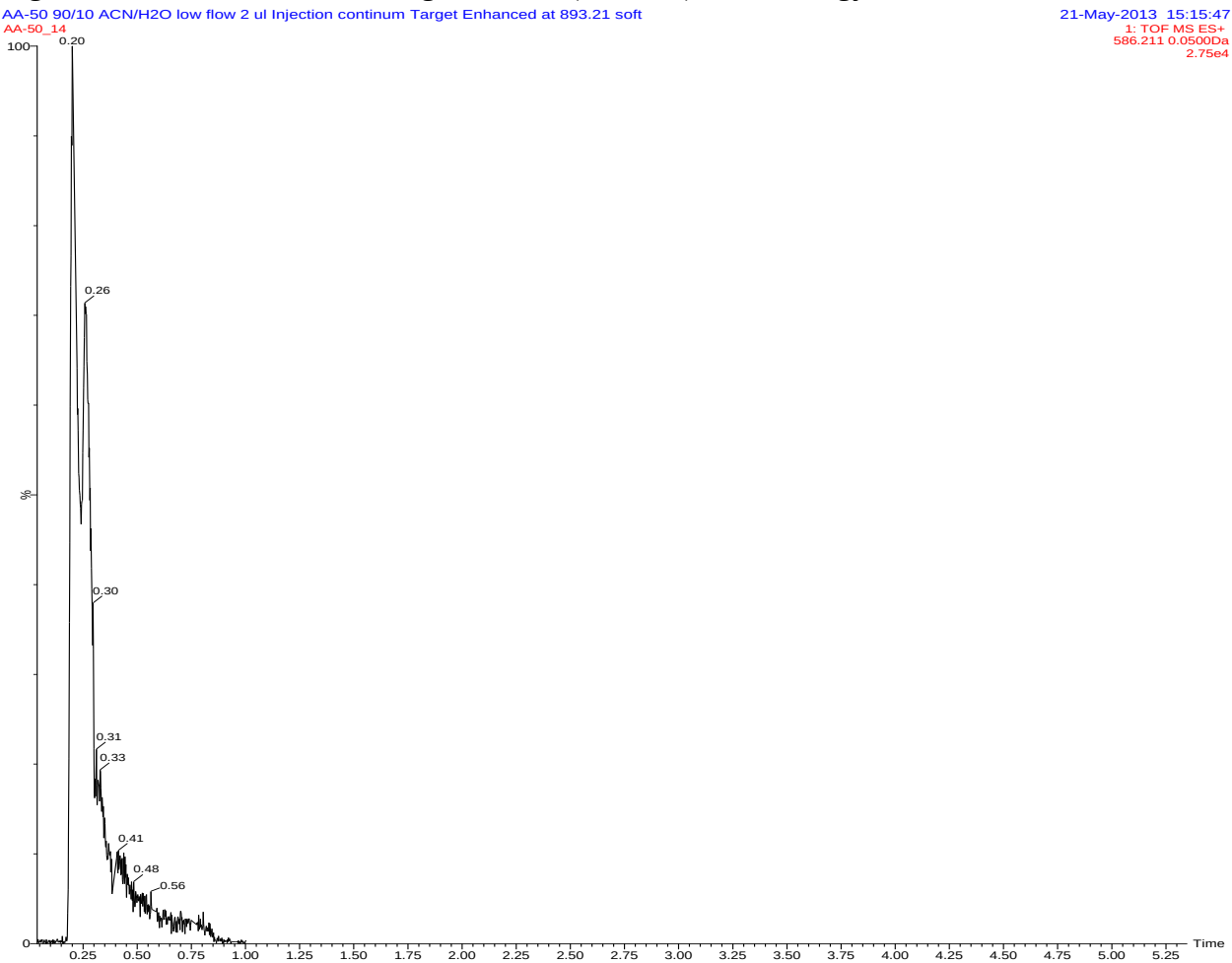


Figure S60. HRMS of **2b** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>); spectrum for peak 0.20 min– low energy ionization

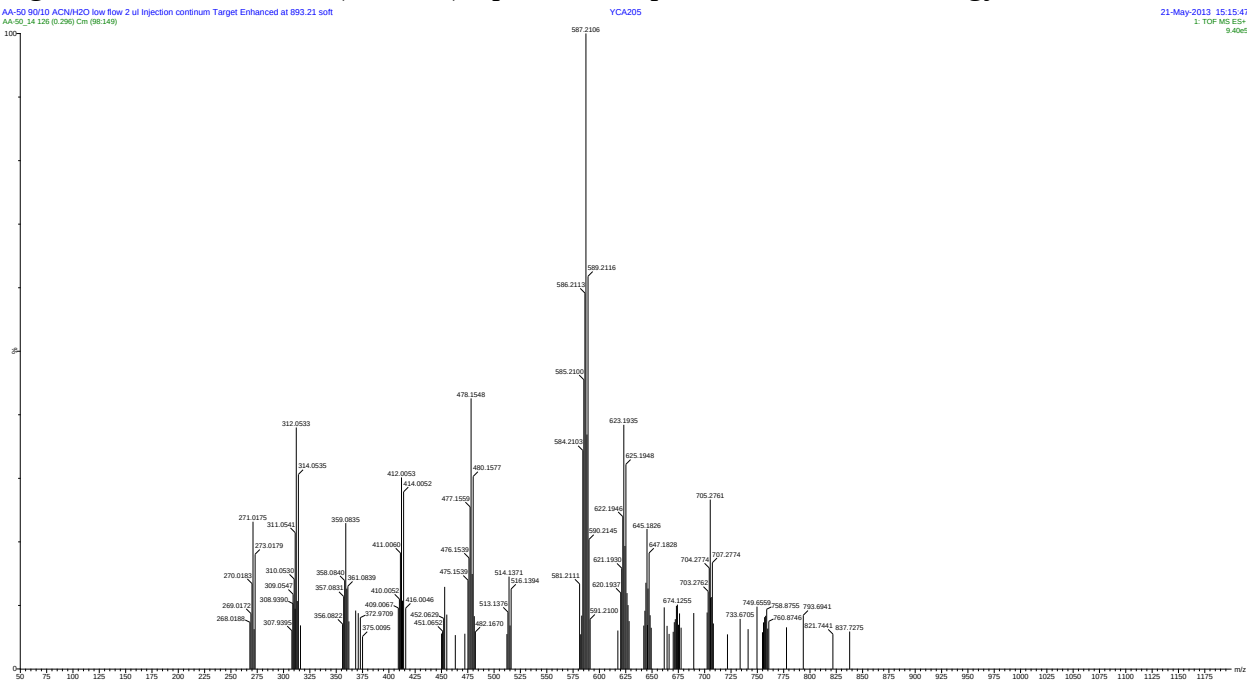


Figure S62. HRMS of **3** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) for peak 0.20 min; signal 893 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

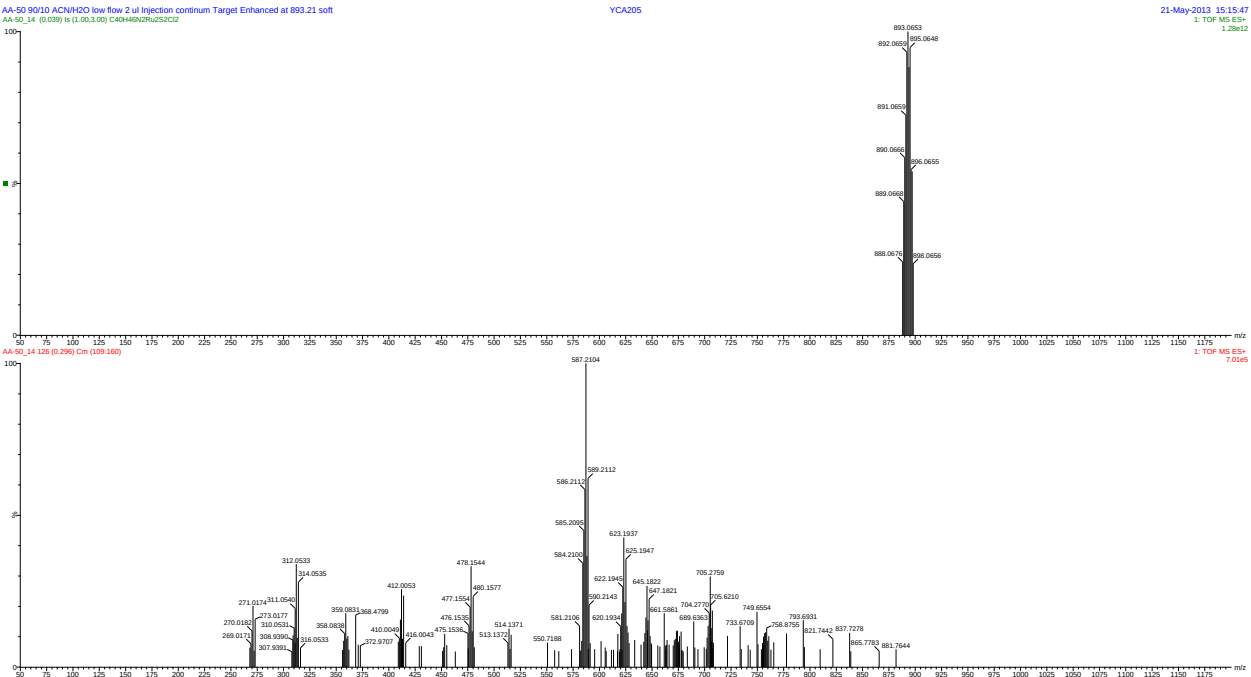


Figure S64. HRMS of **3** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) for peak 0.20 min; signal 623 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

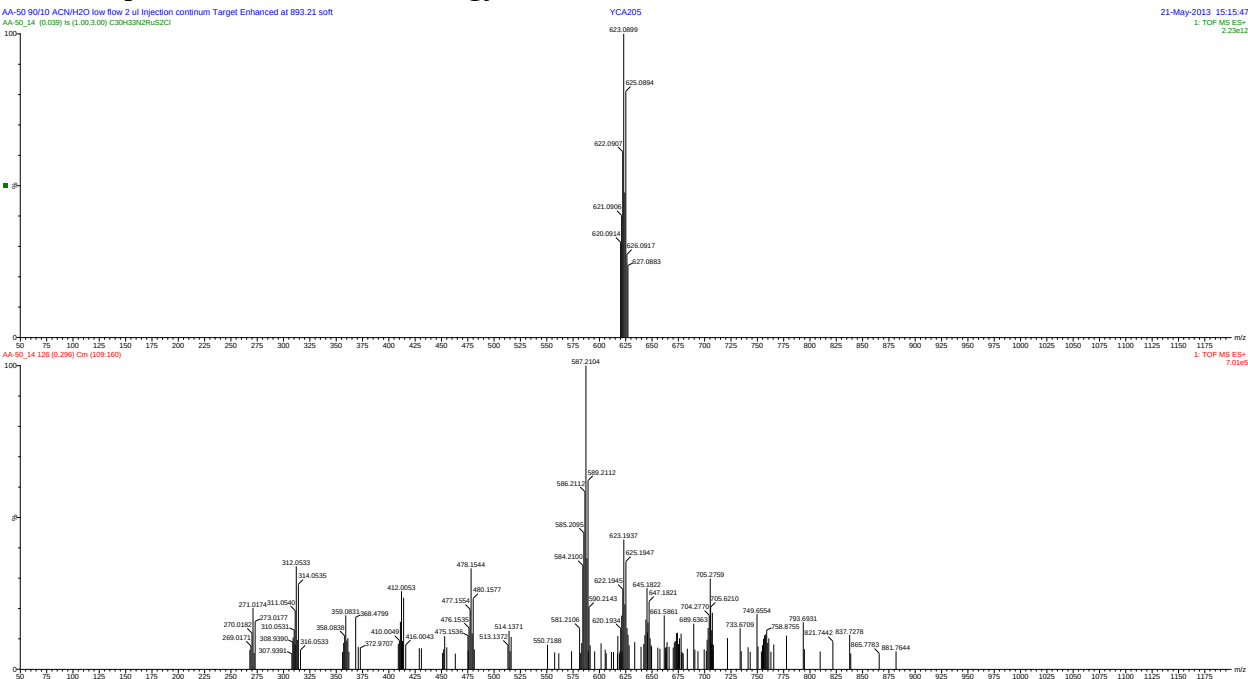


Figure S66. HRMS of **3** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) for peak 0.20 min; signal 587 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

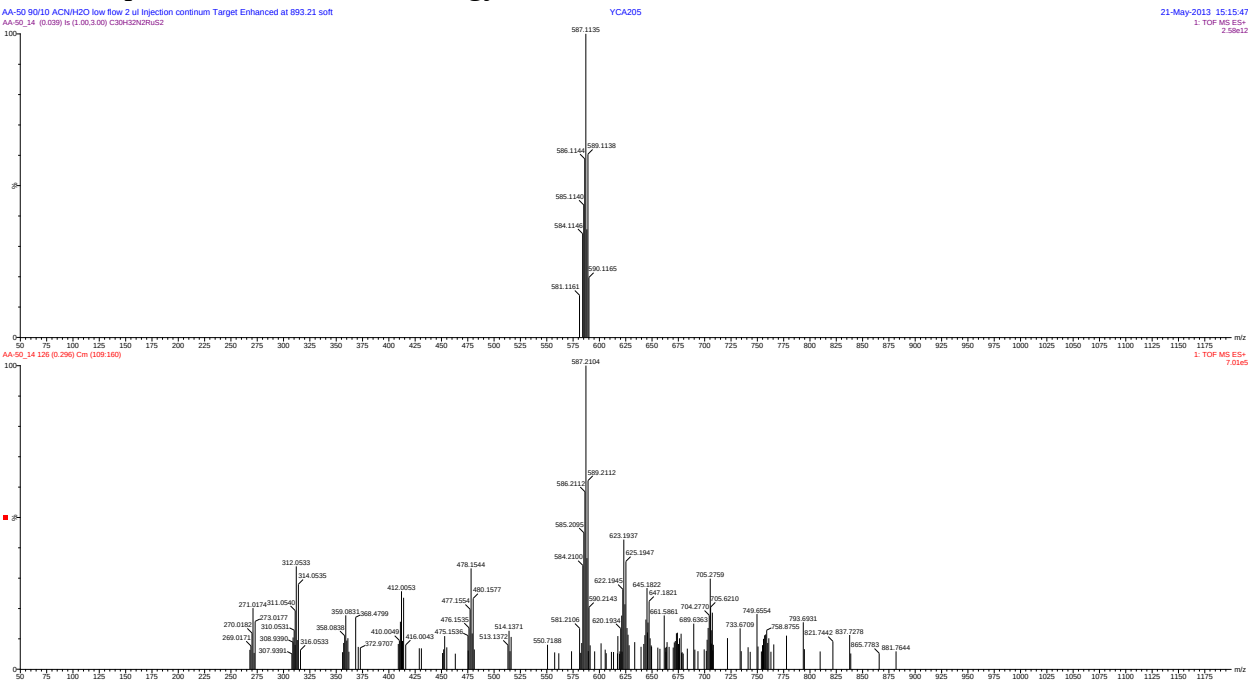


Figure S67. HRMS of **3** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) for peak 0.20 min; signal 587 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

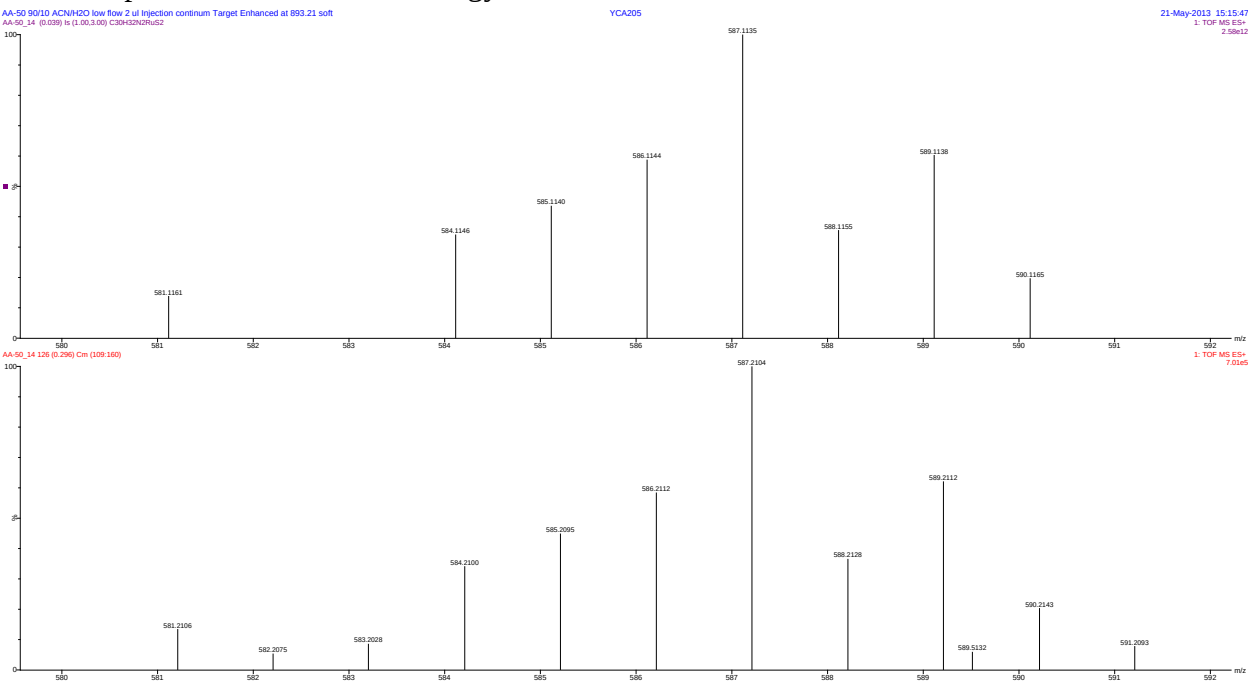




Figure S68. HRMS of **2b** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) for peak 0.26 min; signal 893 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

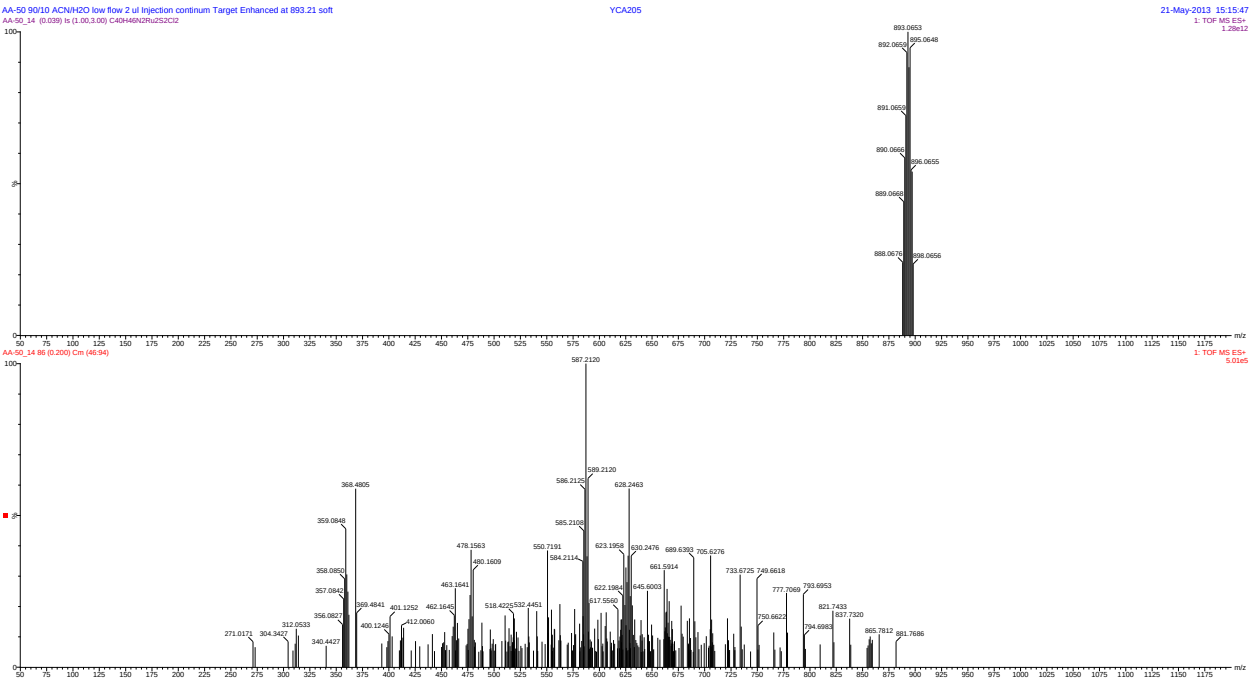


Figure S69. HRMS of **2b** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) for peak 0.26 min; signal 893 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

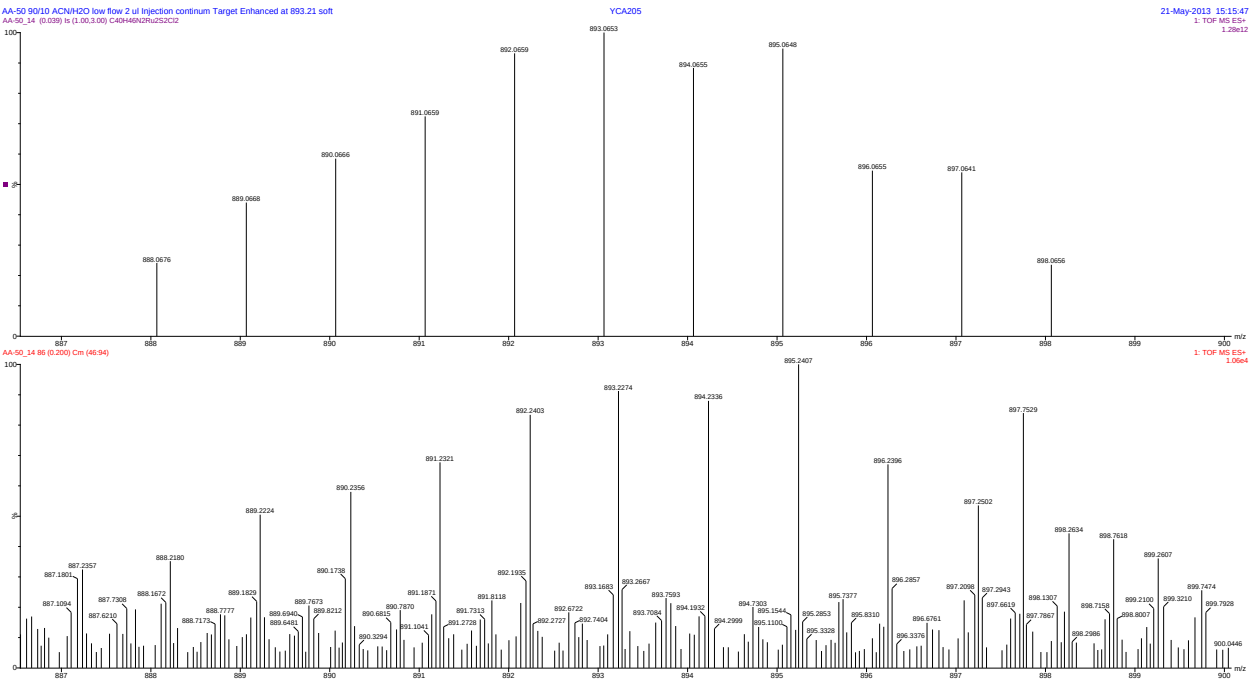


Figure S70. HRMS of **2b** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) for peak 0.26 min; signal 587 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

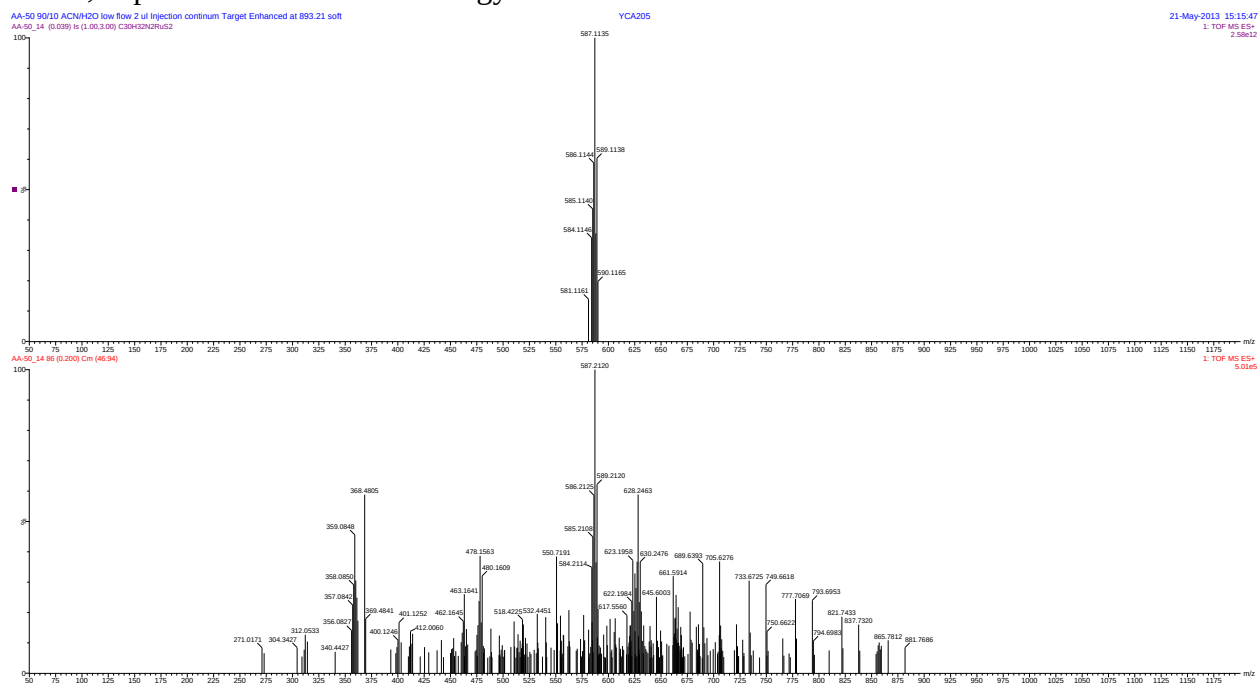


Figure S71. HRMS of **2b** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) for peak 0.26 min; signal 587 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

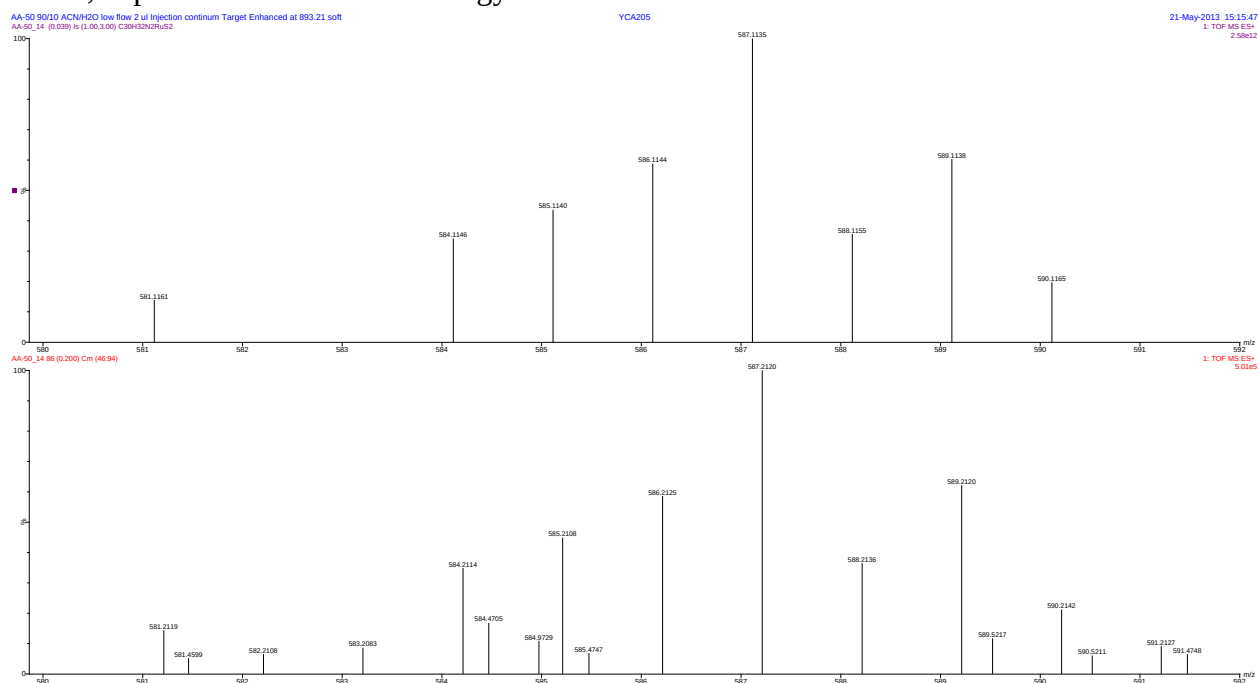


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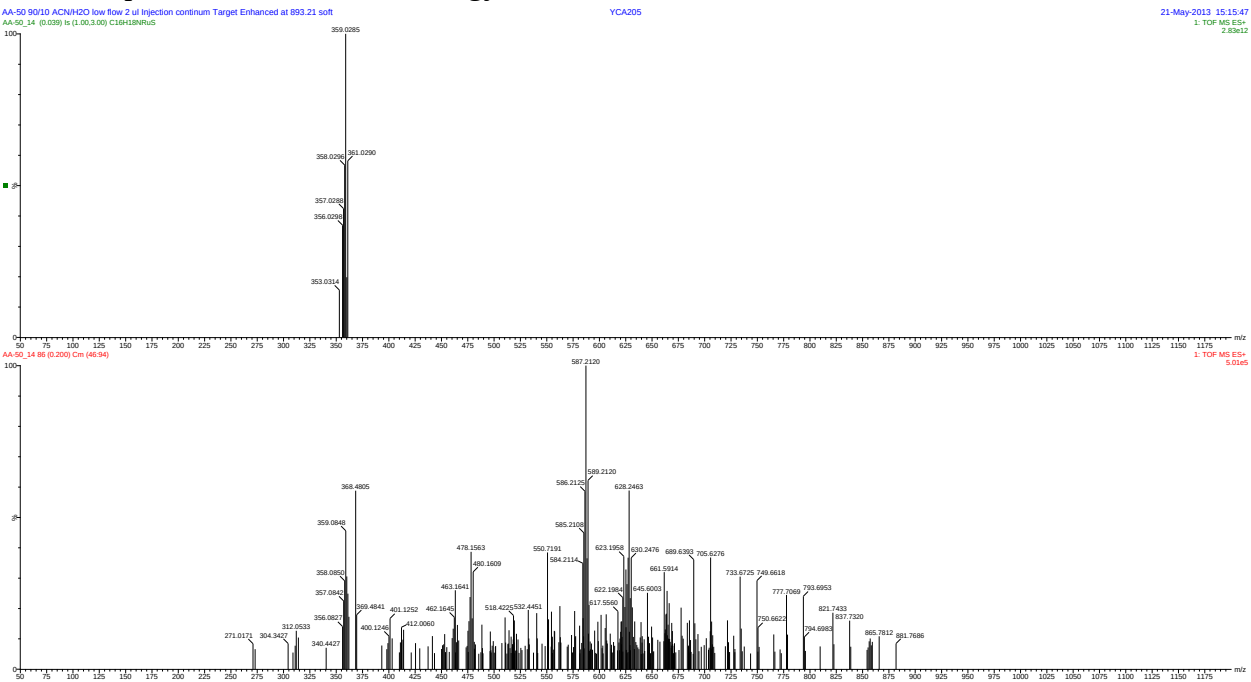


Figure S73. HRMS of **2b** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) for peak 0.26 min; signal 357 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results middle and above (+1H), experiment below – low energy ionization

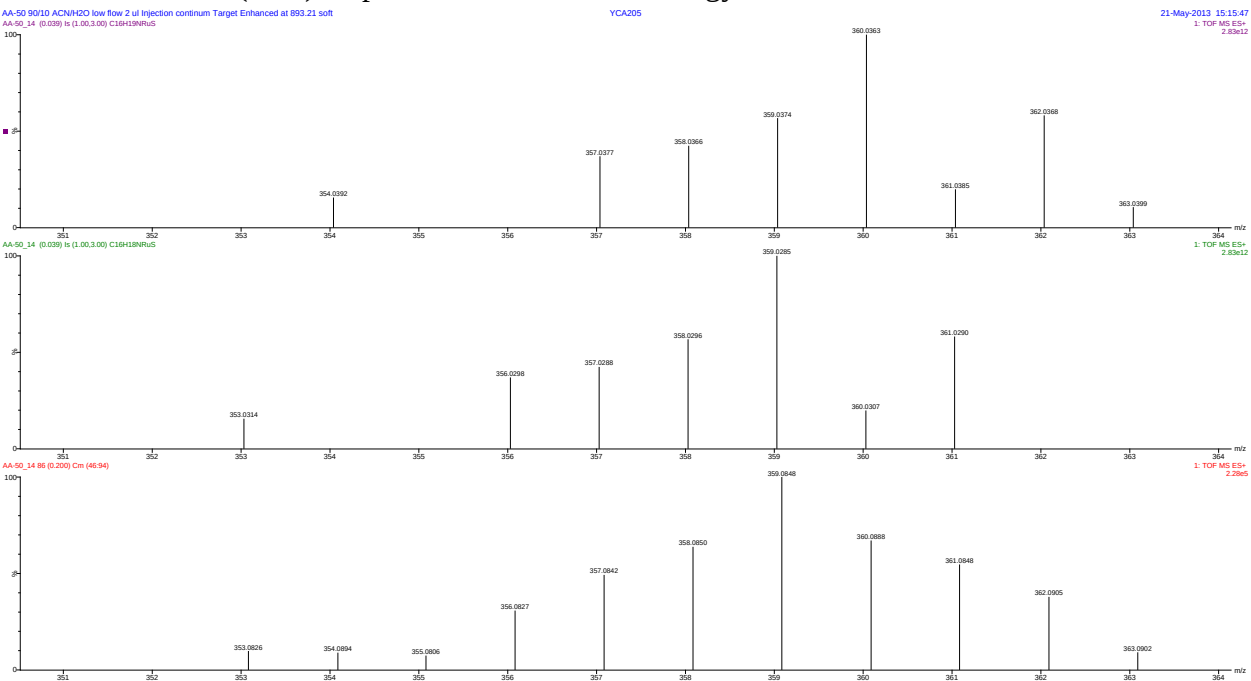


Figure S74. UPLC-MS chromatogram of **2b** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) – high energy ionization

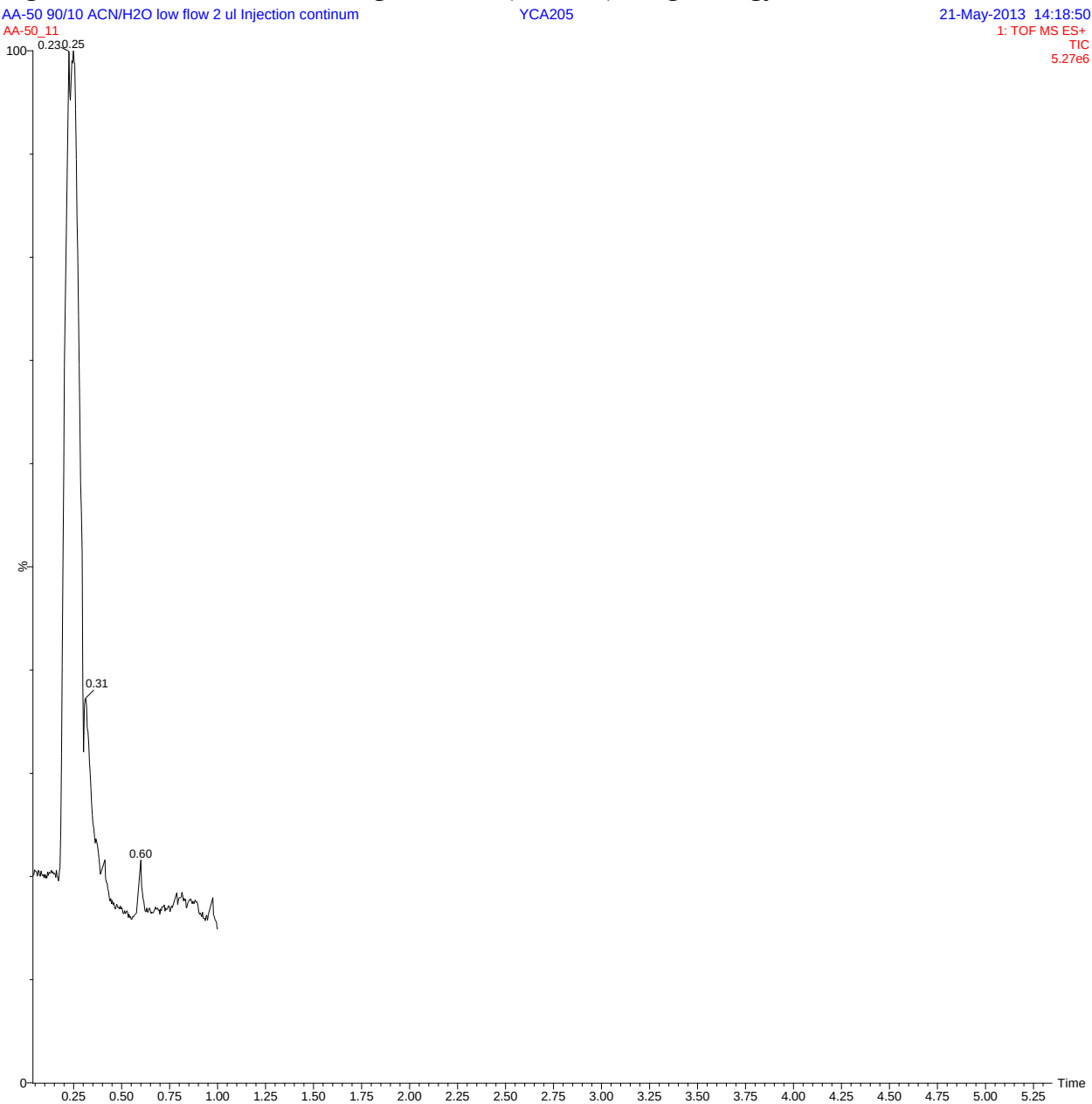


Figure S75. HRMS of **2b** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) – high energy ionization

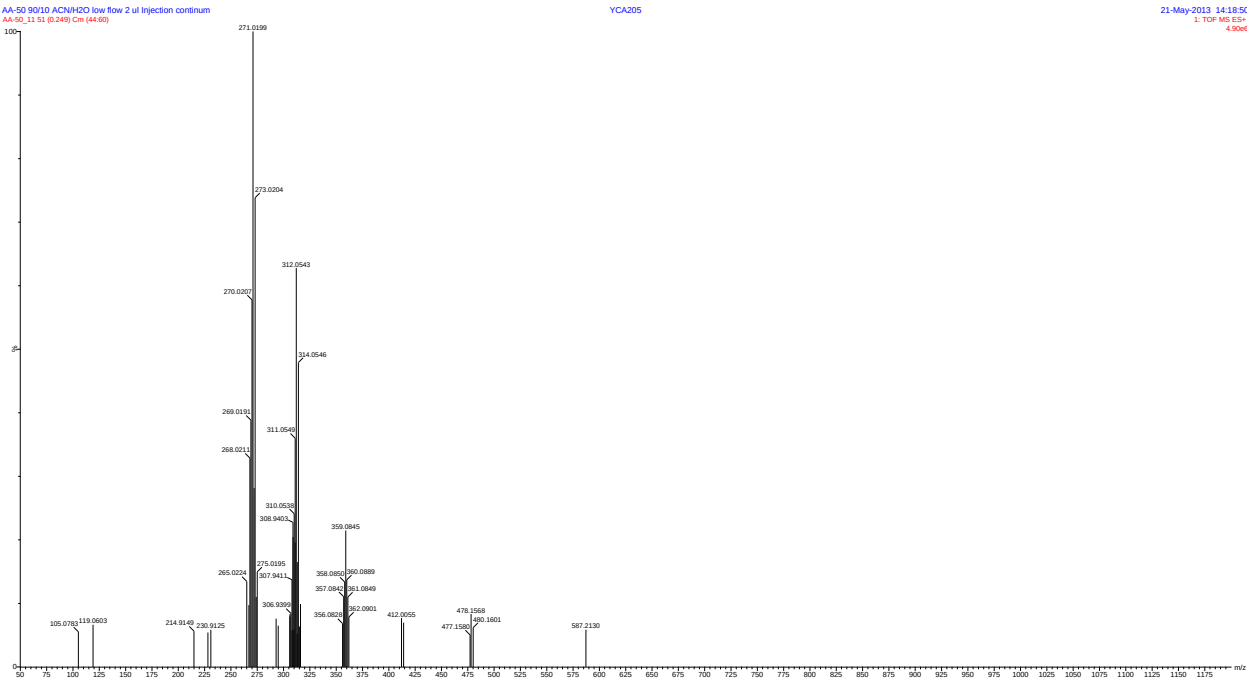


Figure S76. HRMS of **2b** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 893 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

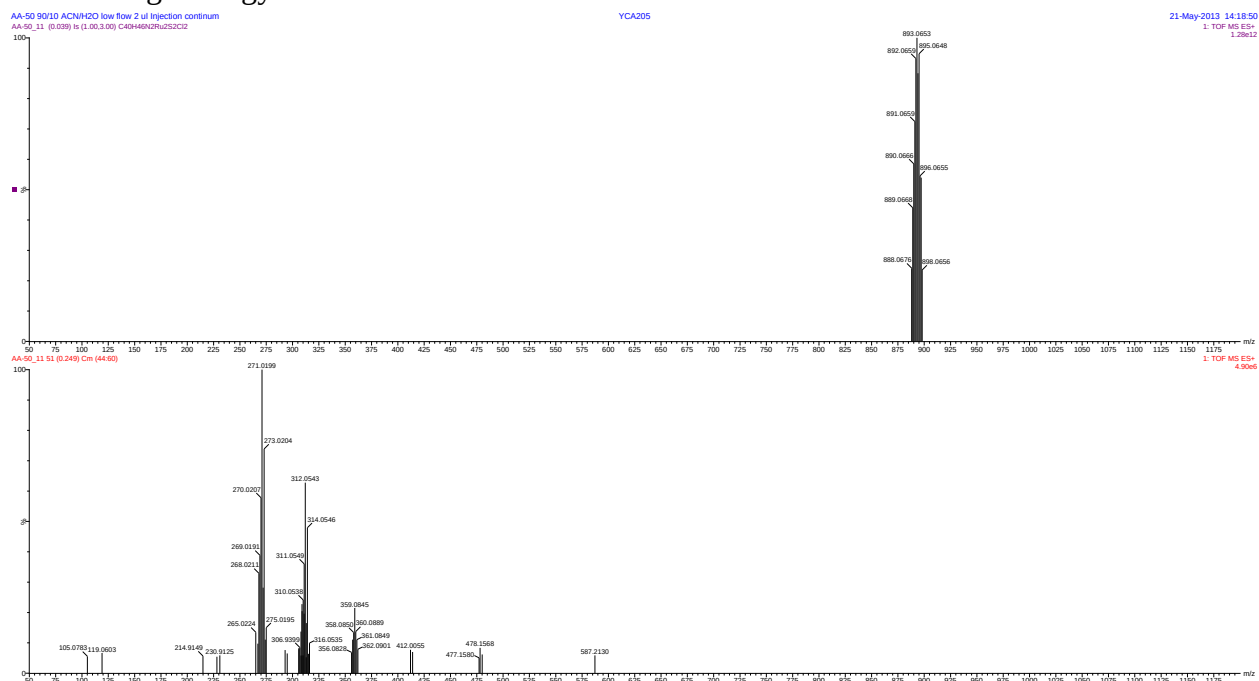


Figure S77. HRMS of **2b** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 893 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

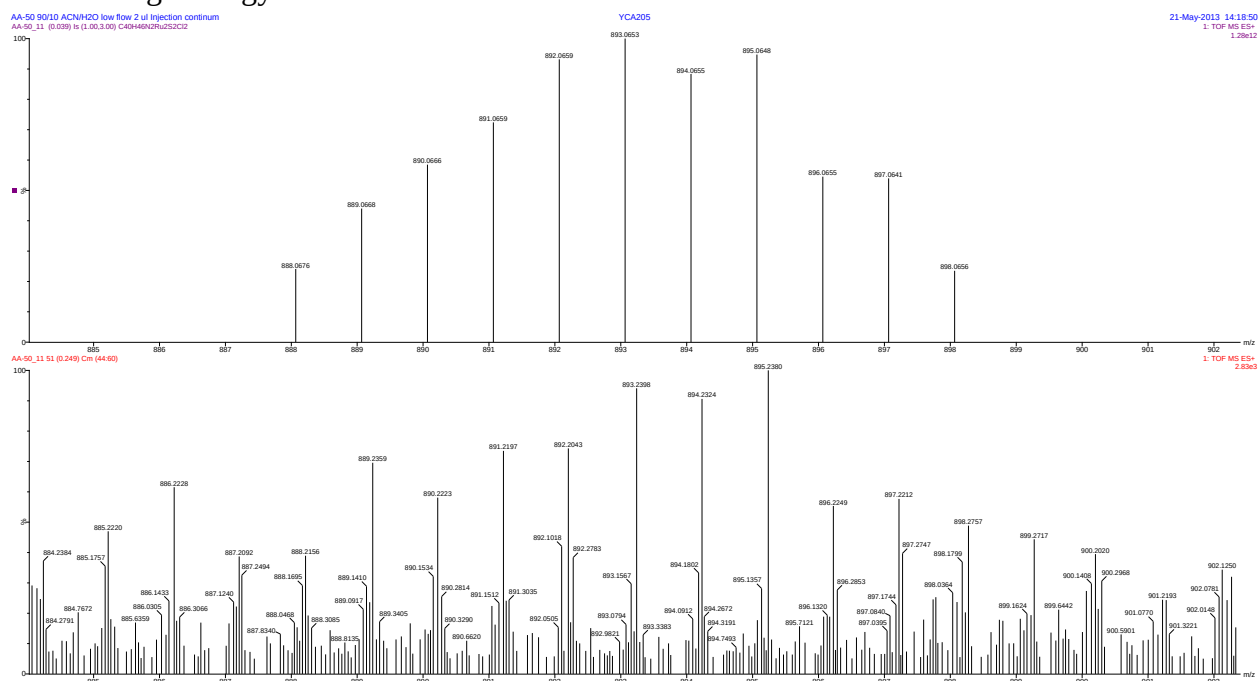


Figure S78. HRMS of **2b** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 587 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

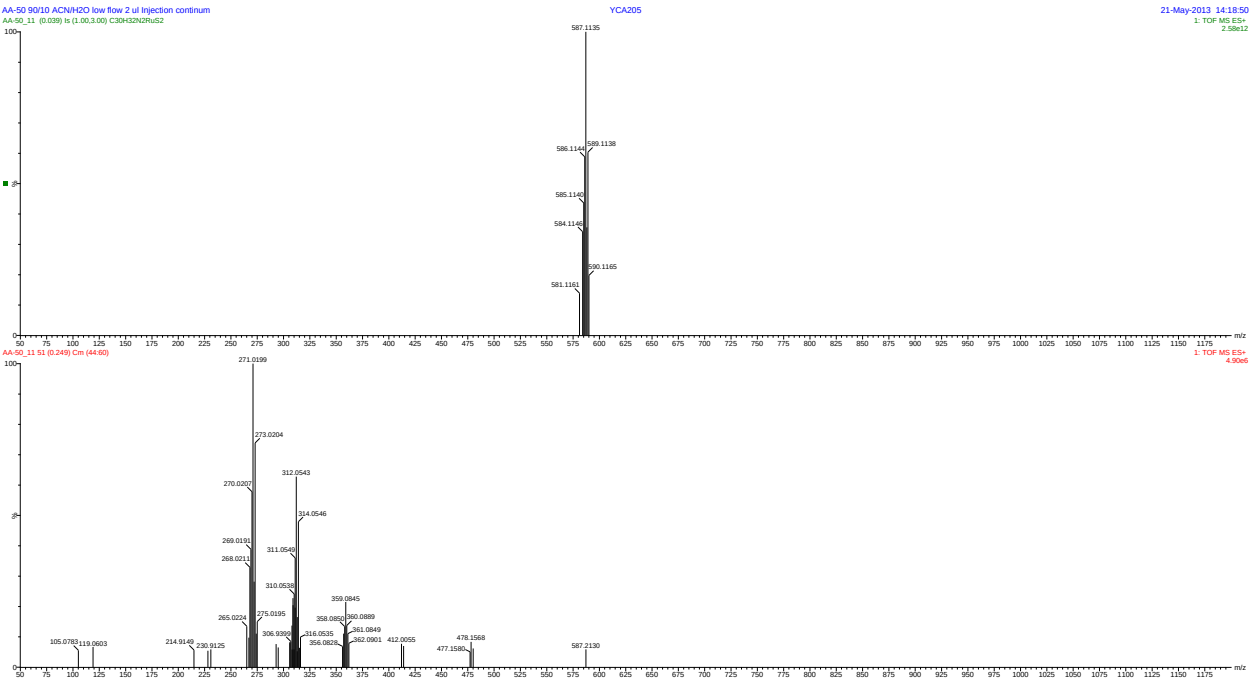


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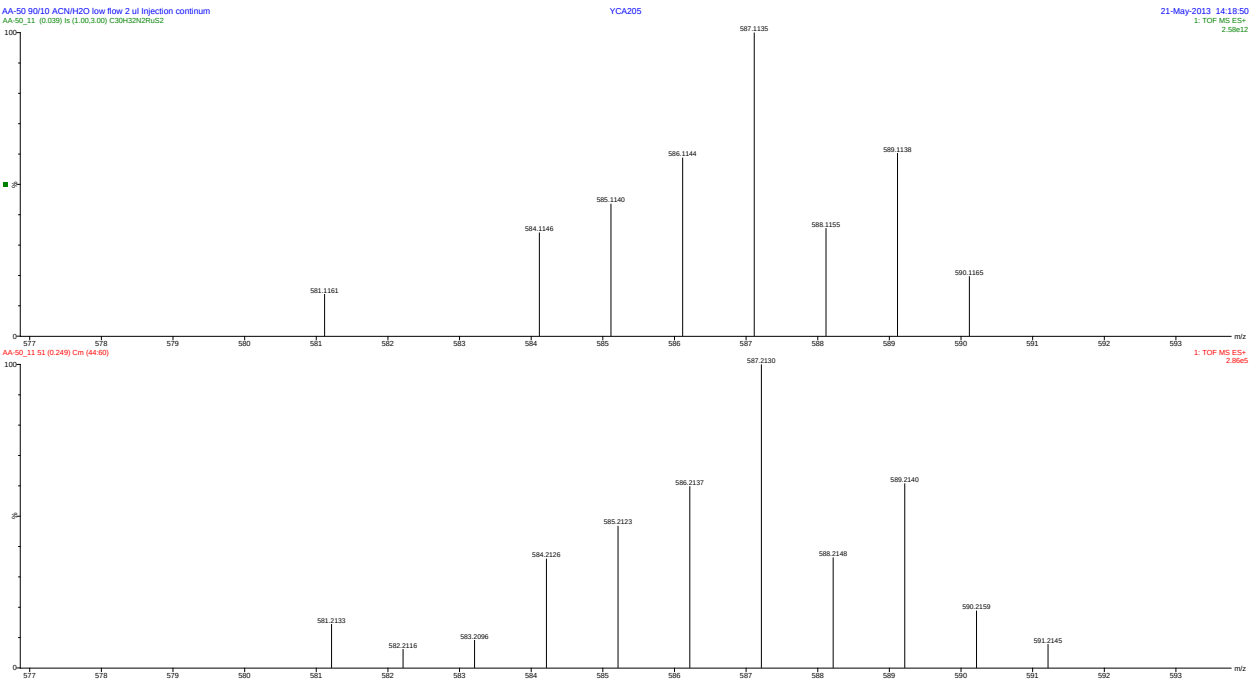


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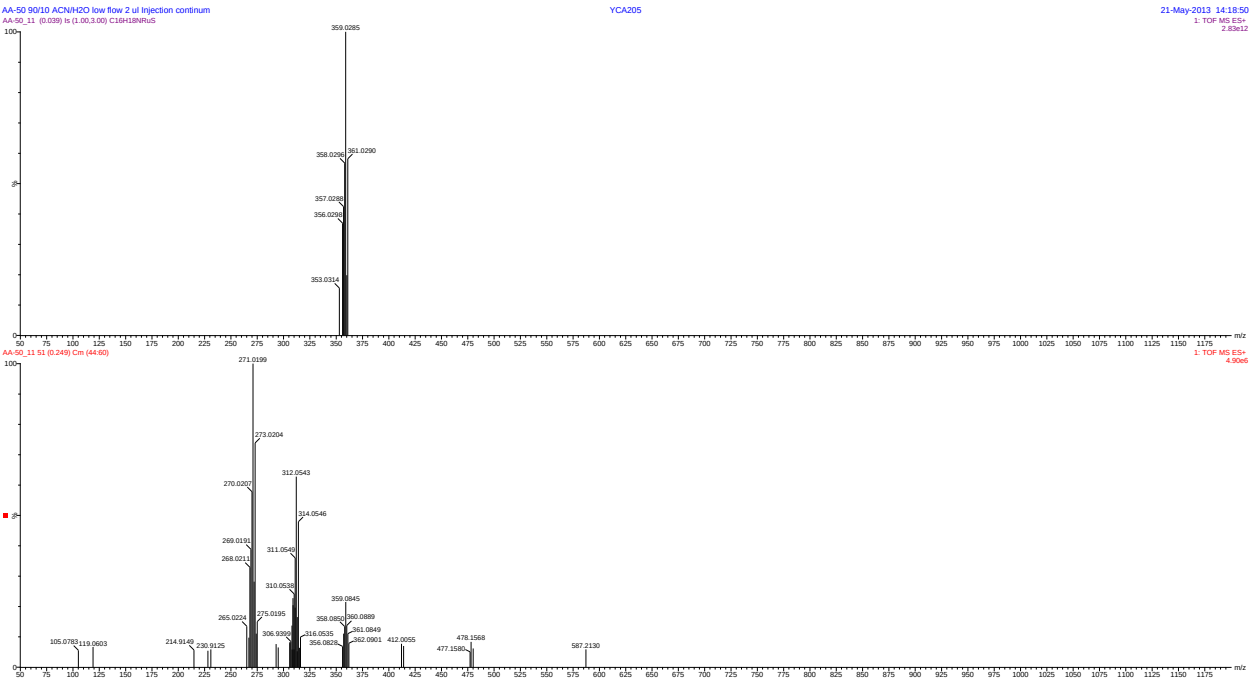


Figure S81. HRMS of **2b** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 359 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results middle and above (+1H), experiment below – low energy ionization

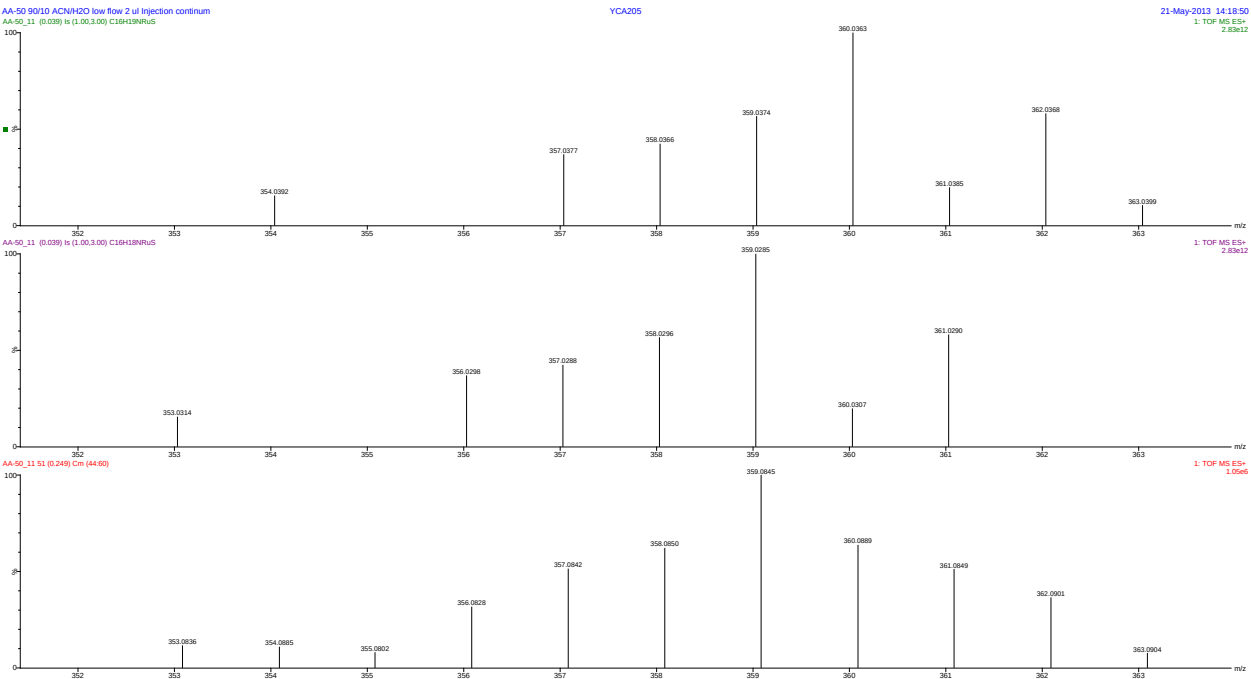




Figure S82. HRMS of **2b** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 312 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

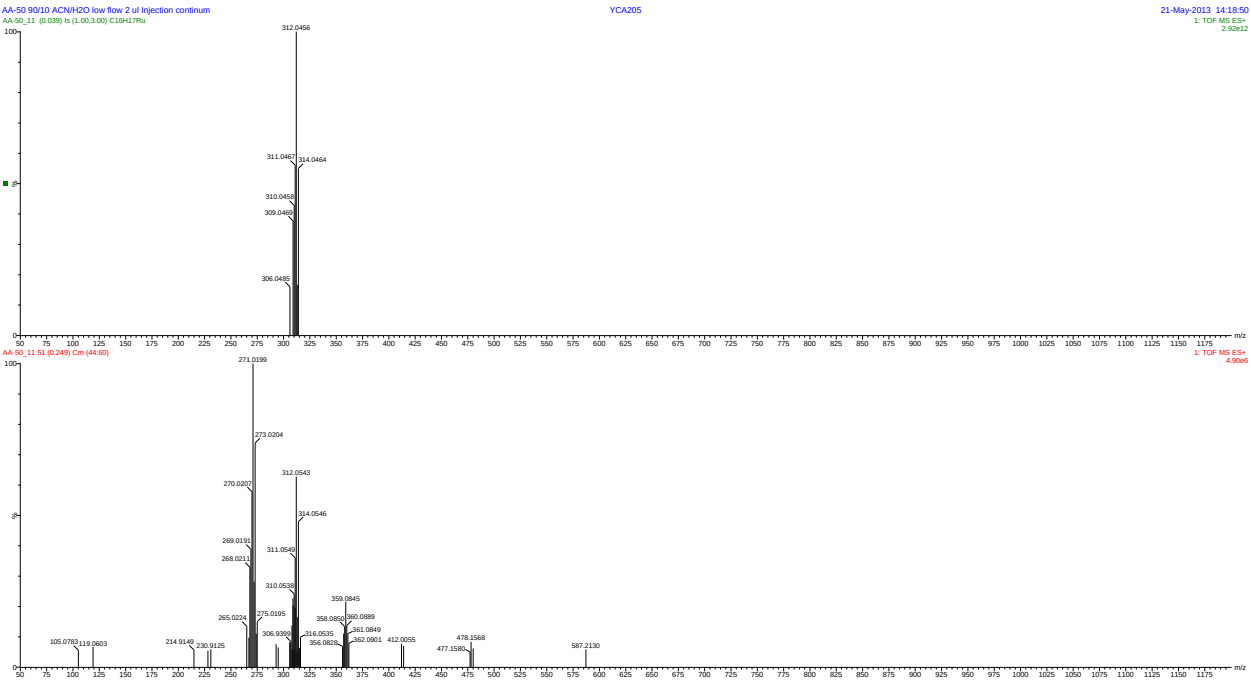


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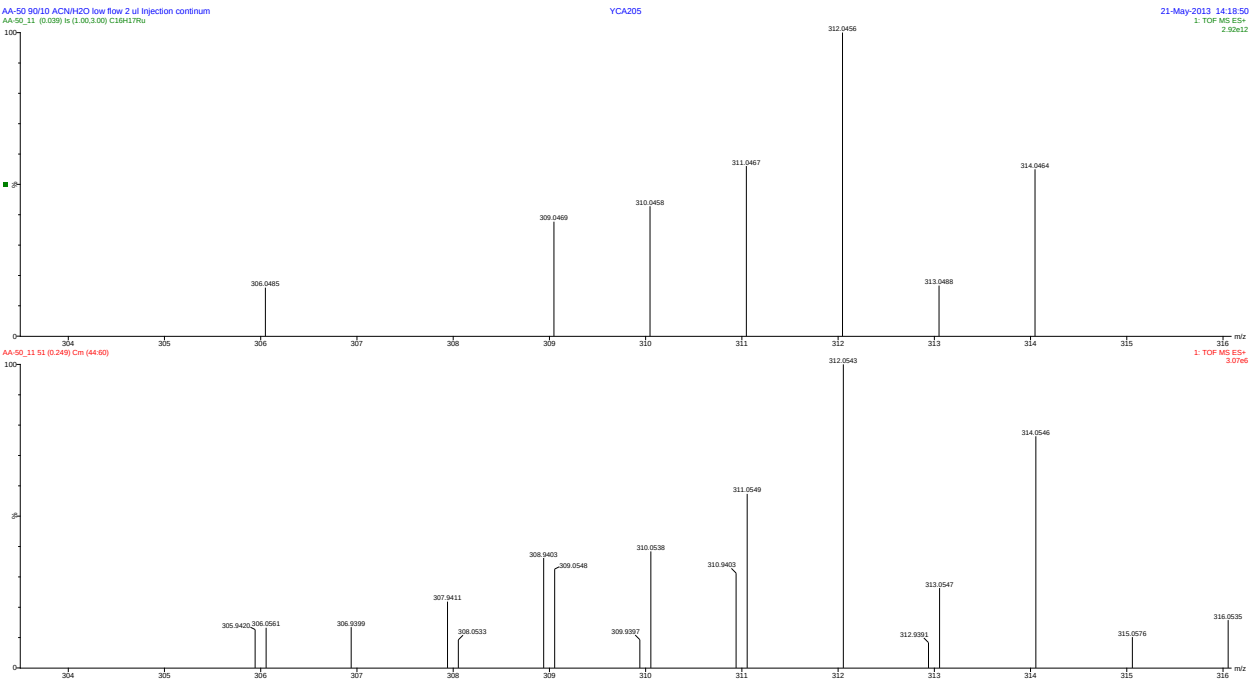


Figure S84. HRMS of **2b** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 270 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

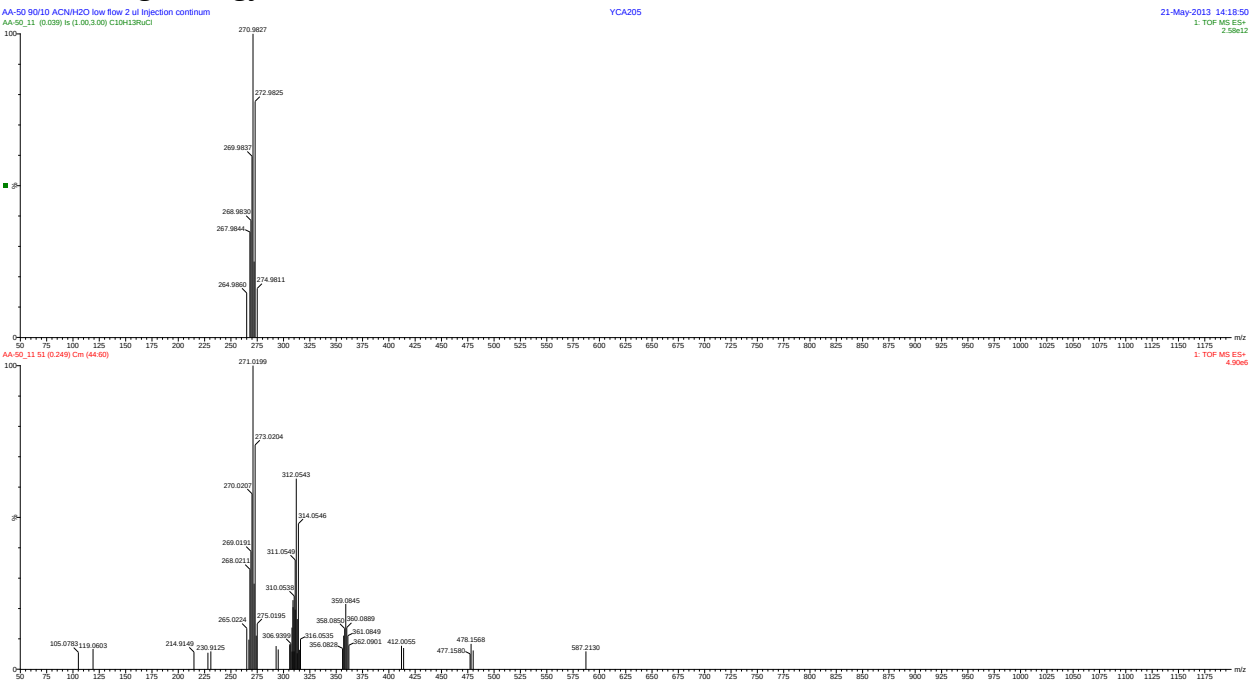


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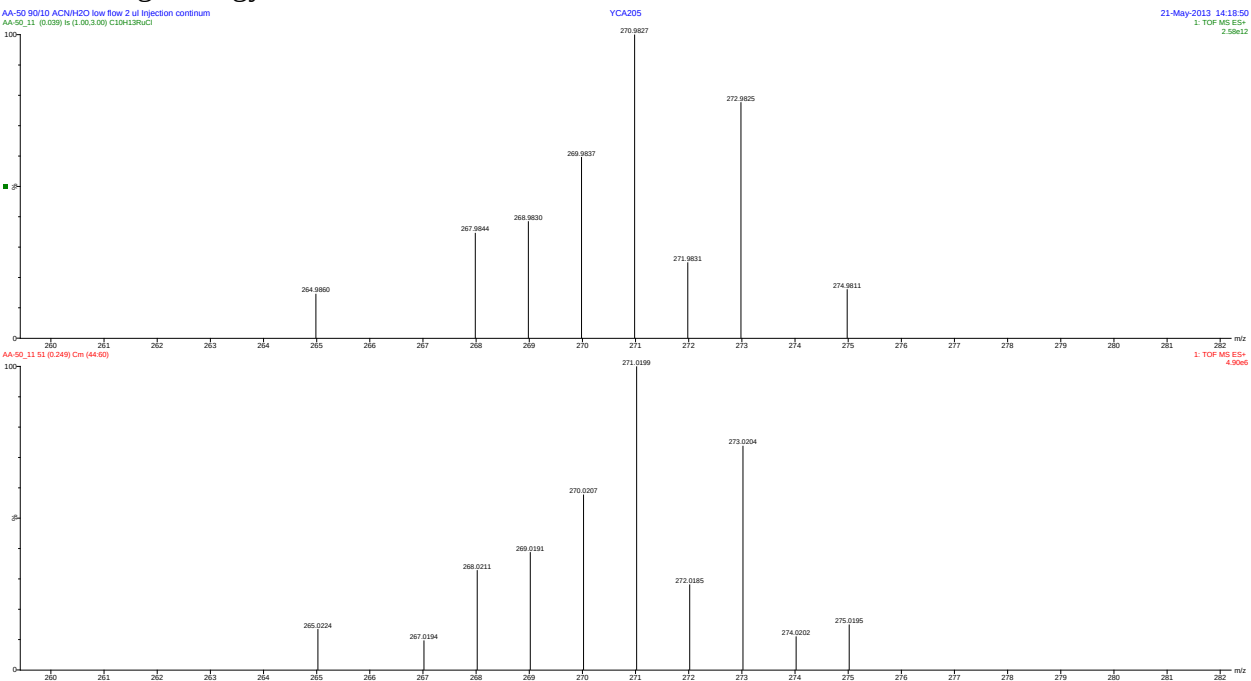


Figure S86. UPLC-MS chromatogram of **2b** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) – medium energy ionization

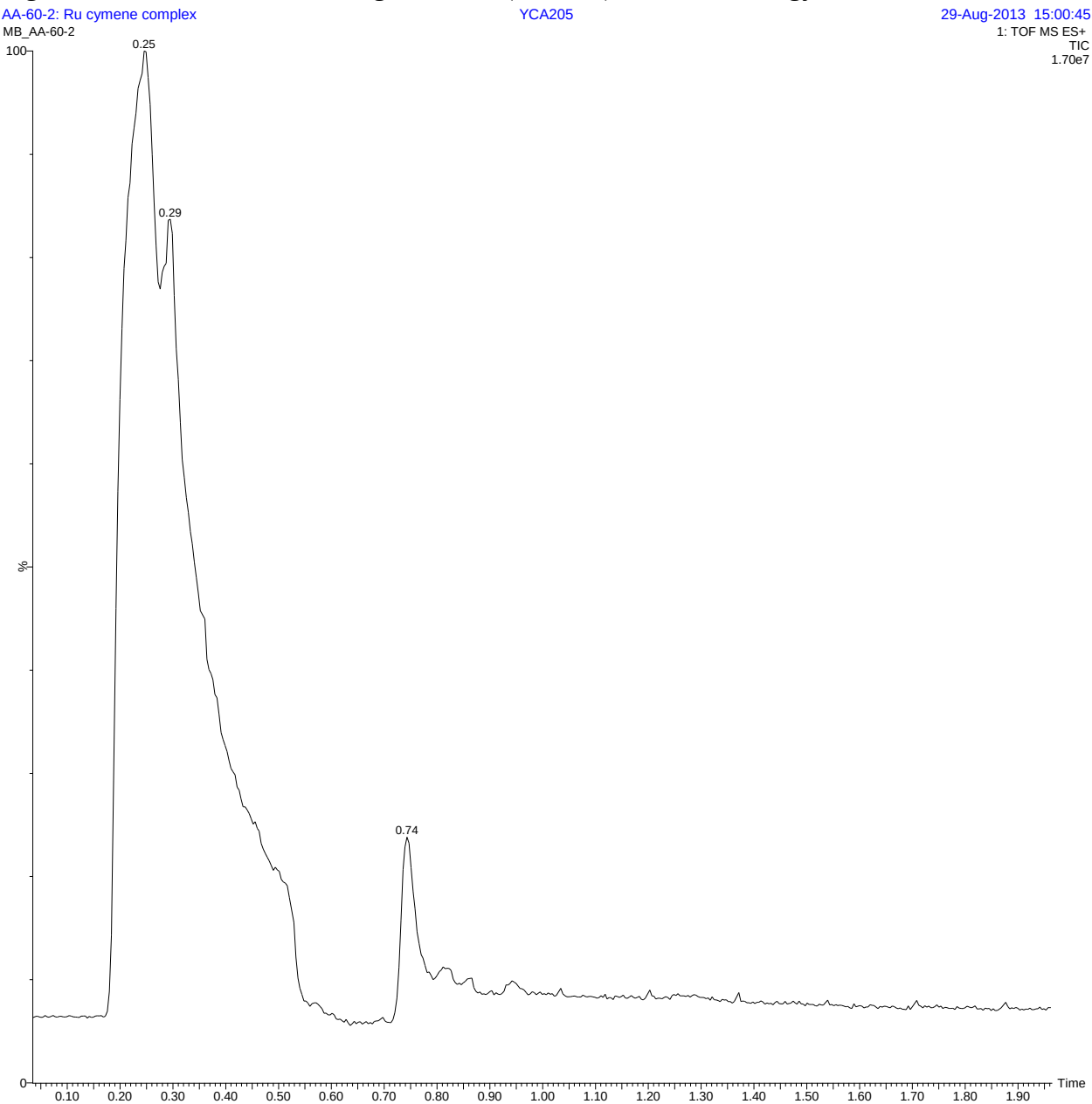


Figure S87. HRMS of **2b** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) – medium energy ionization

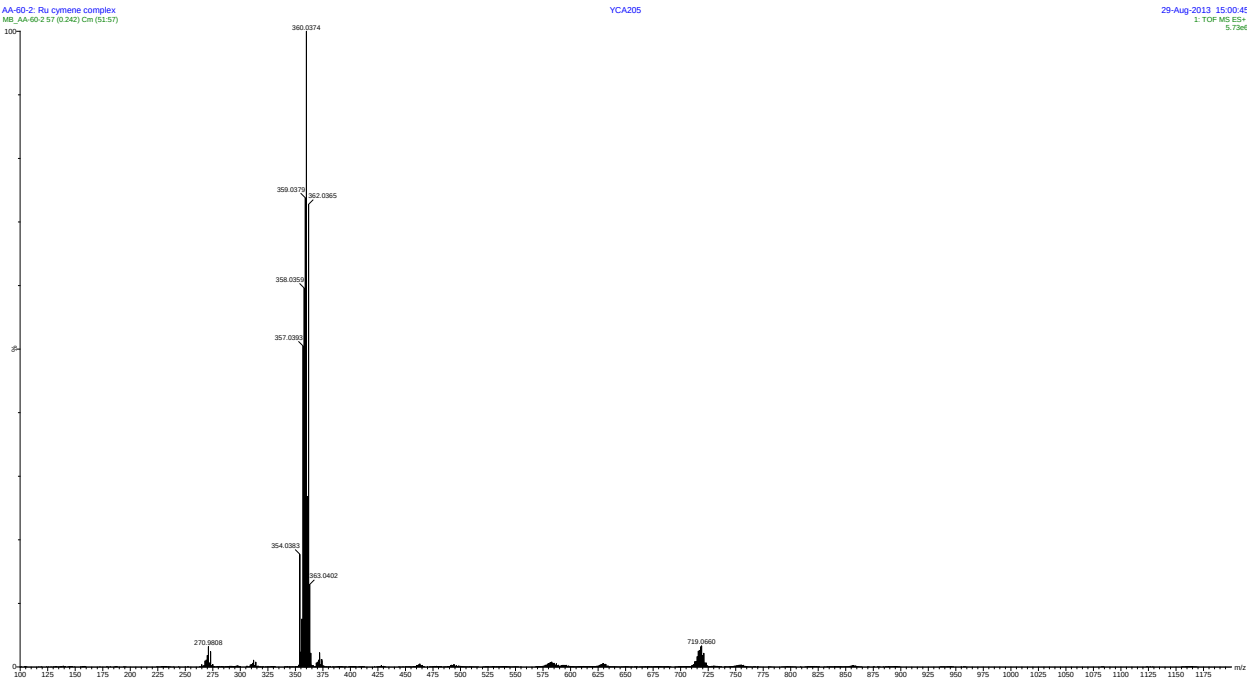


Figure S88. HRMS of **2b** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>); 50-fold magnification – medium energy ionization

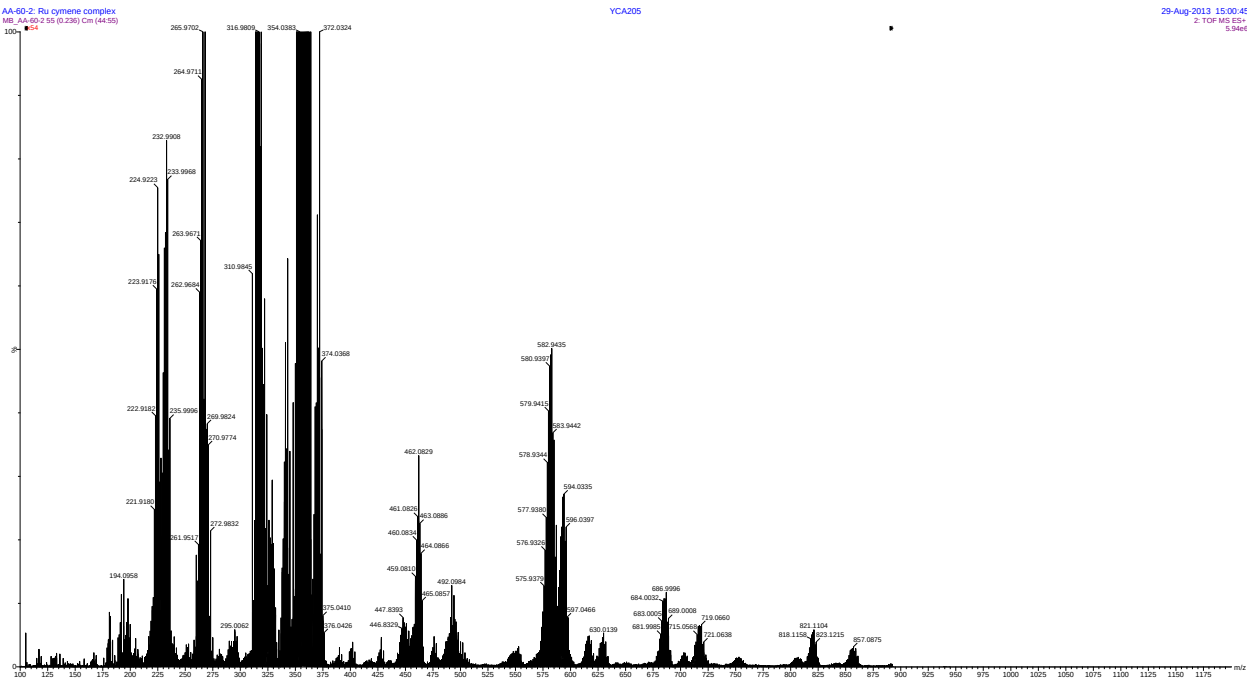


Figure S89. HRMS of **2b** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>); signal 893 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

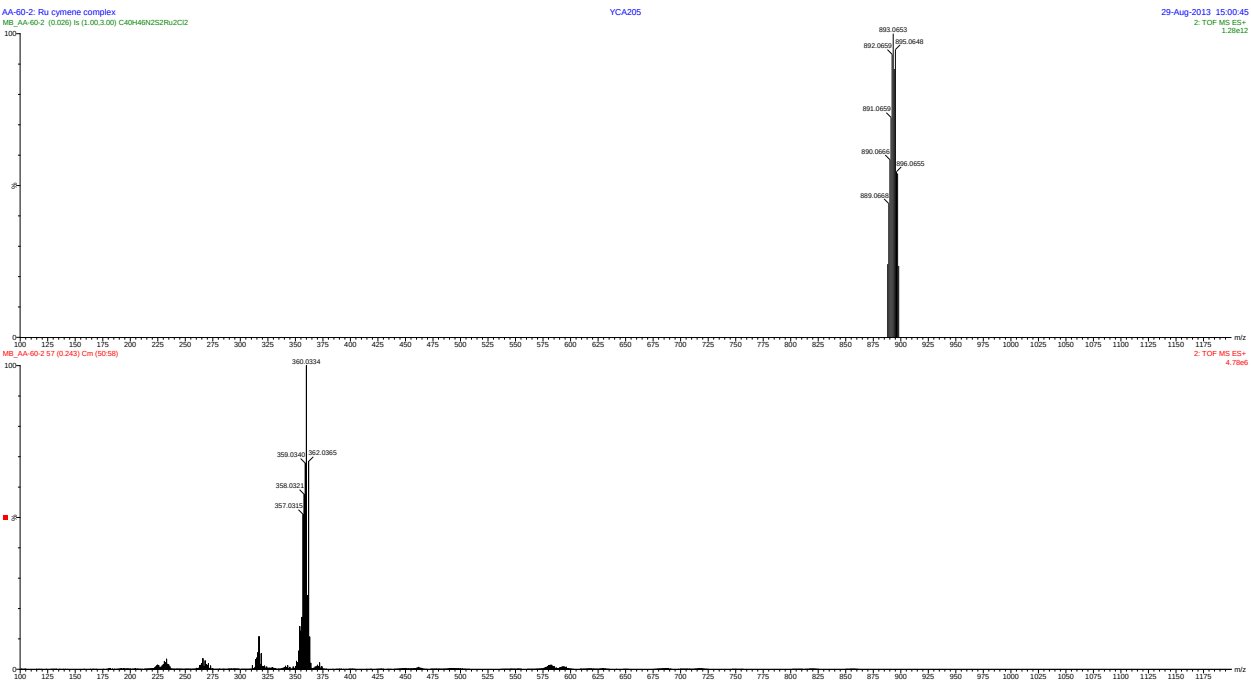


Figure S90. HRMS of **2b** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>); signal 893 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

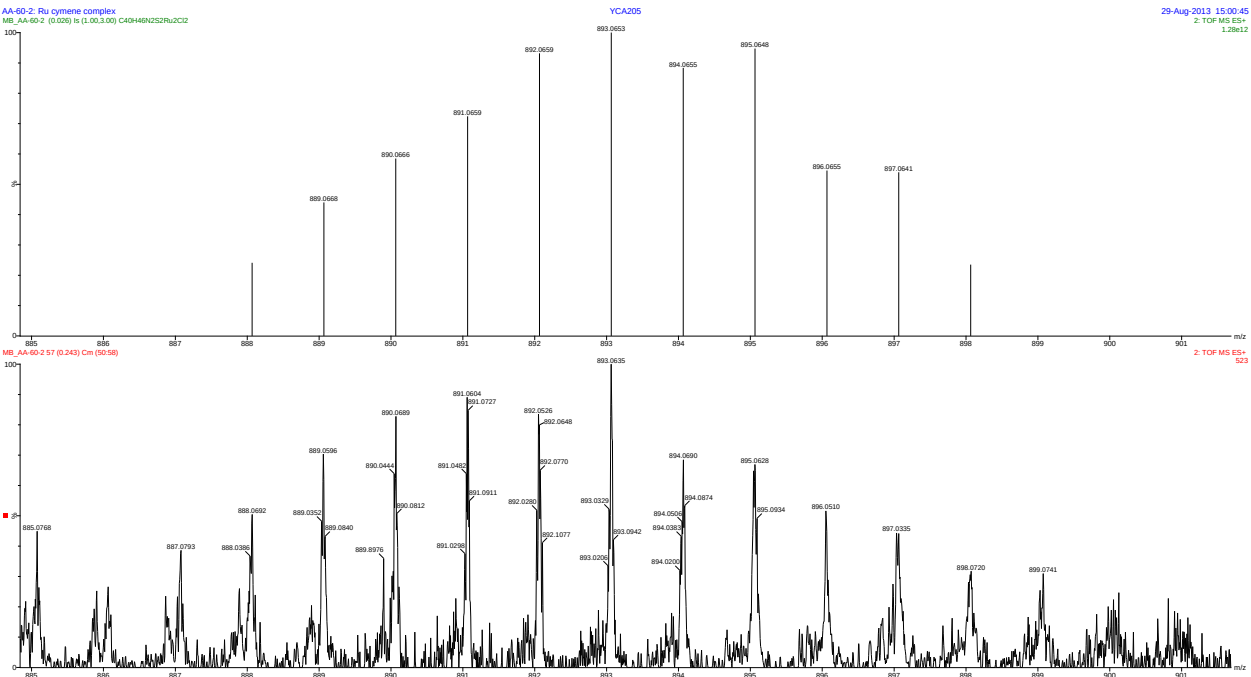


Figure S91. UPLC-MS chromatogram of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) – low energy ionization



Figure S92. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) – low energy ionization

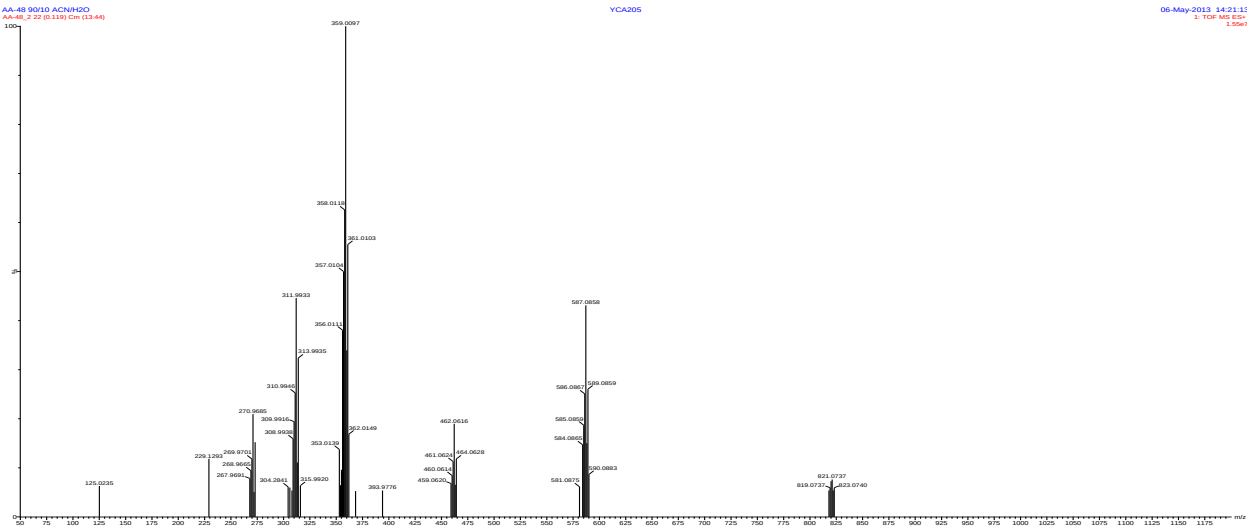


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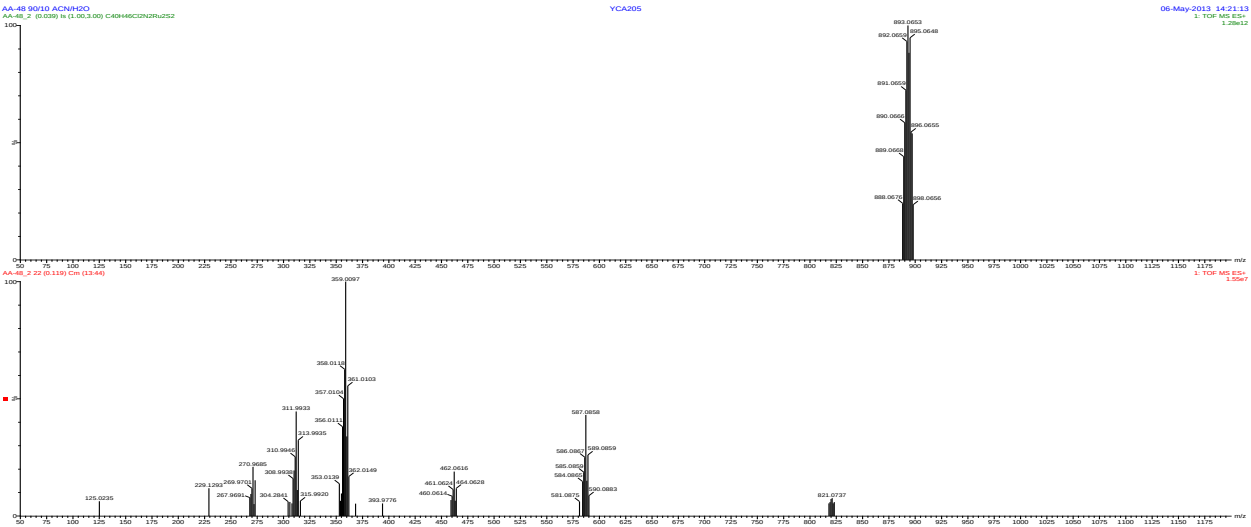


Figure S94. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 893 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

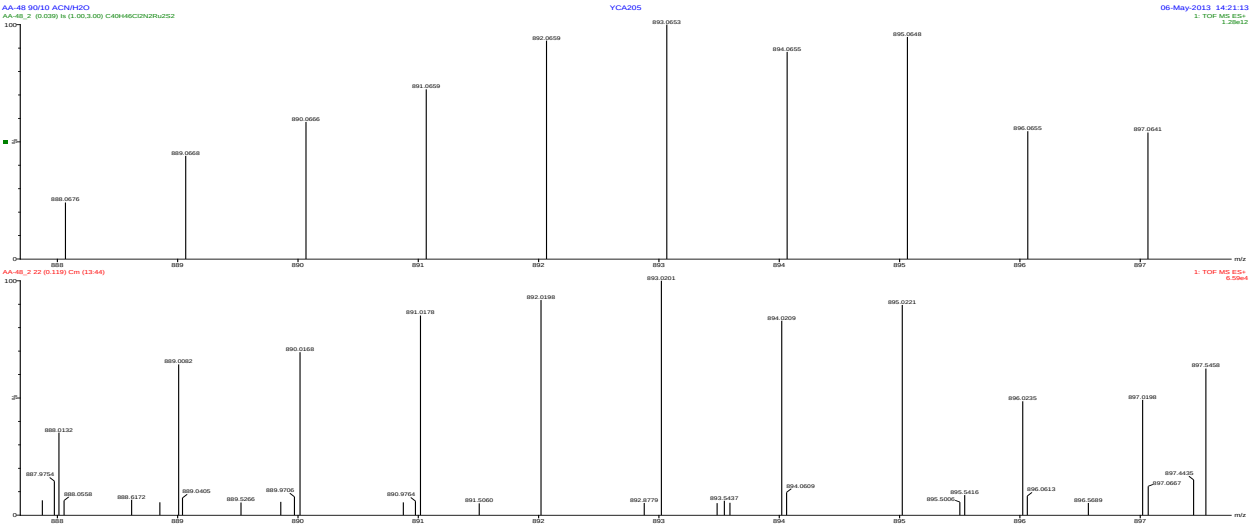


Figure S95. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 857 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

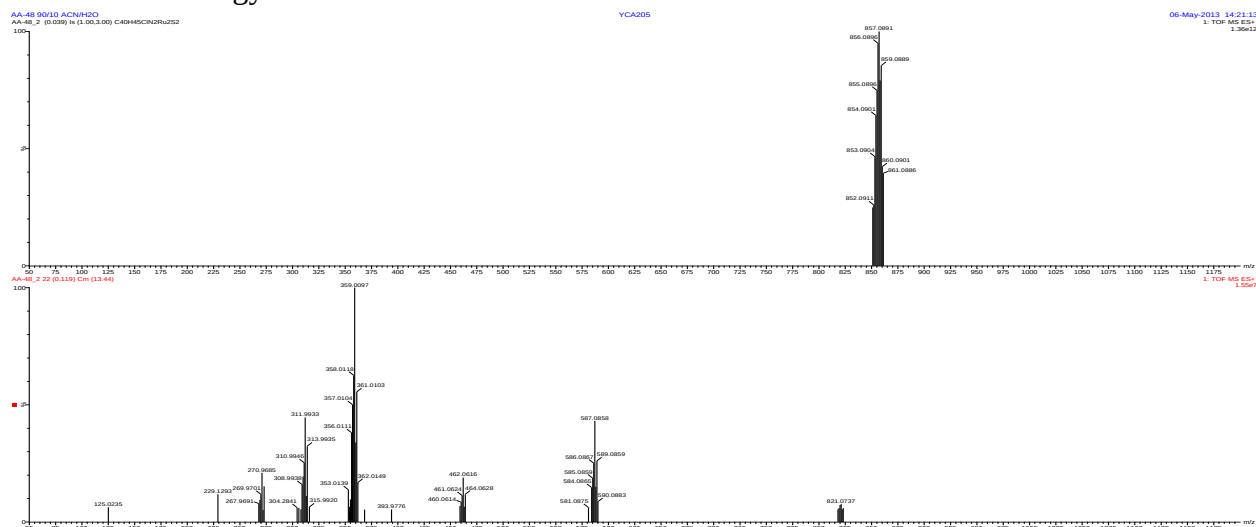


Figure S96. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 857 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experimental results below – low energy ionization

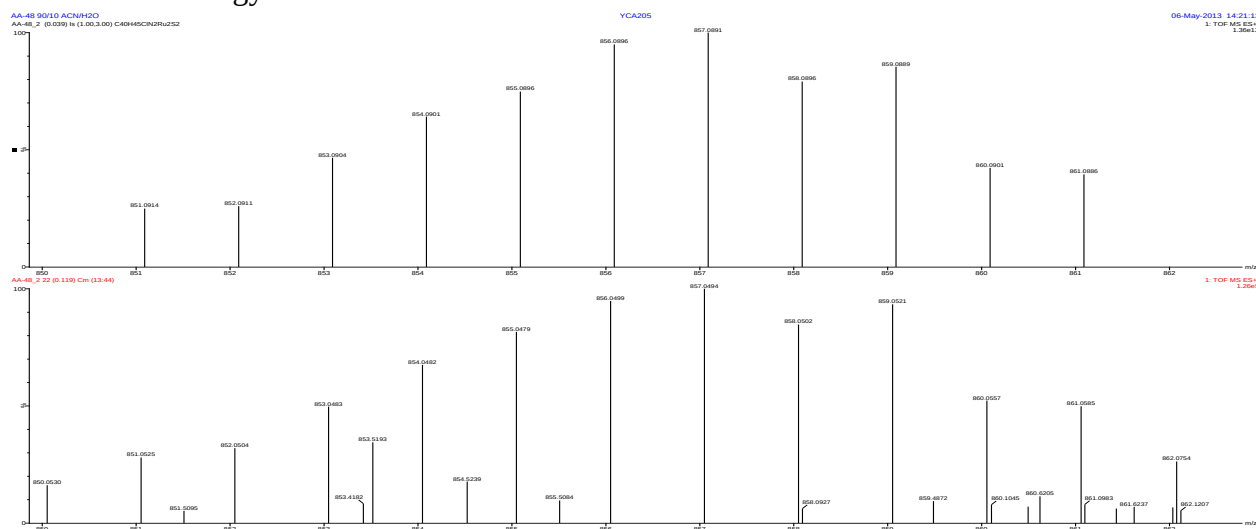




Figure S97. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 821 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

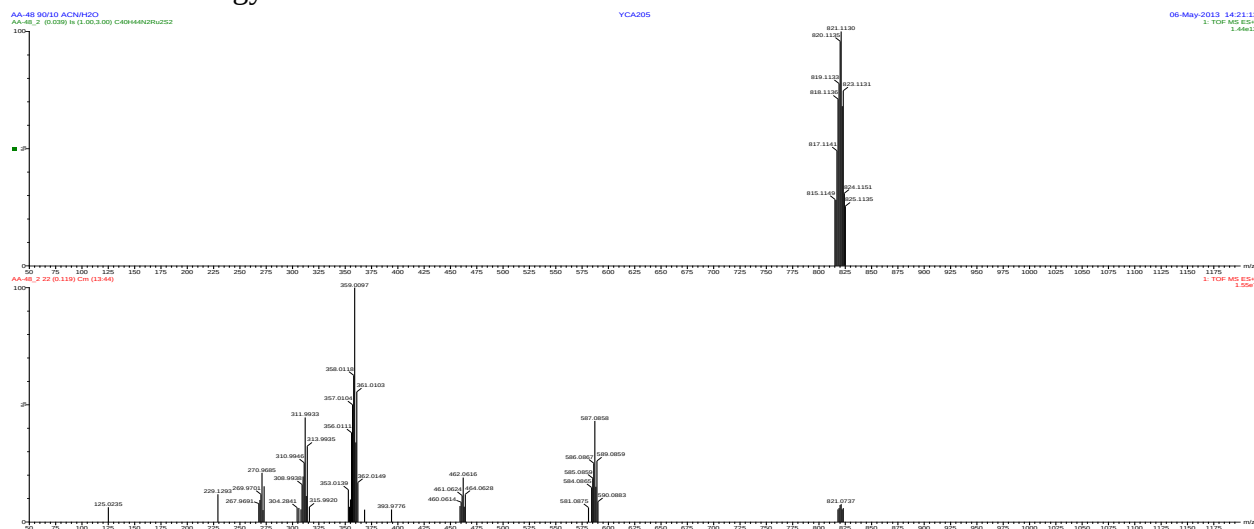


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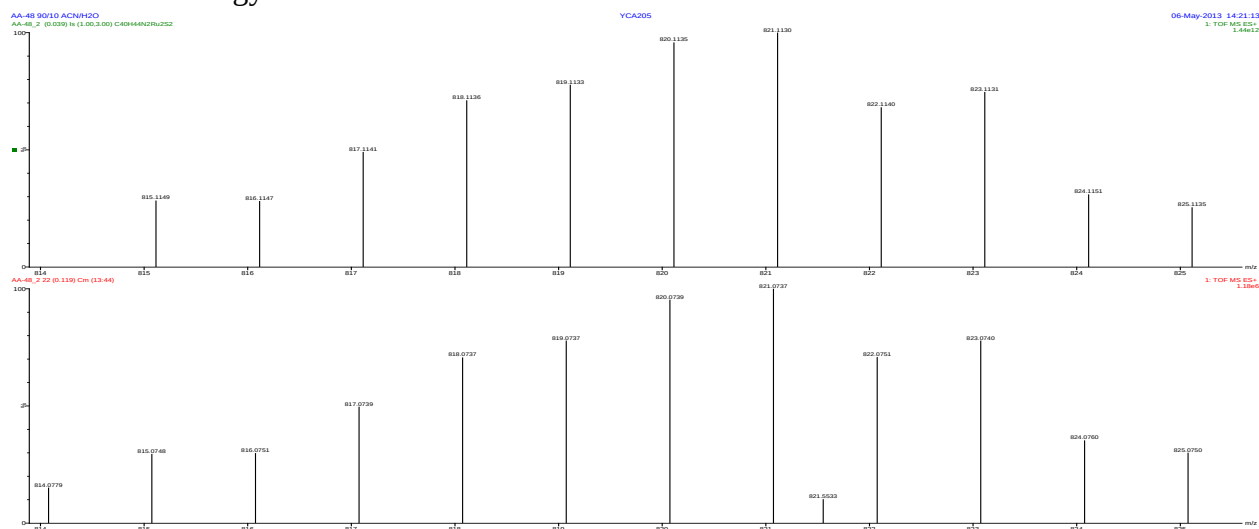


Figure S99. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 587 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

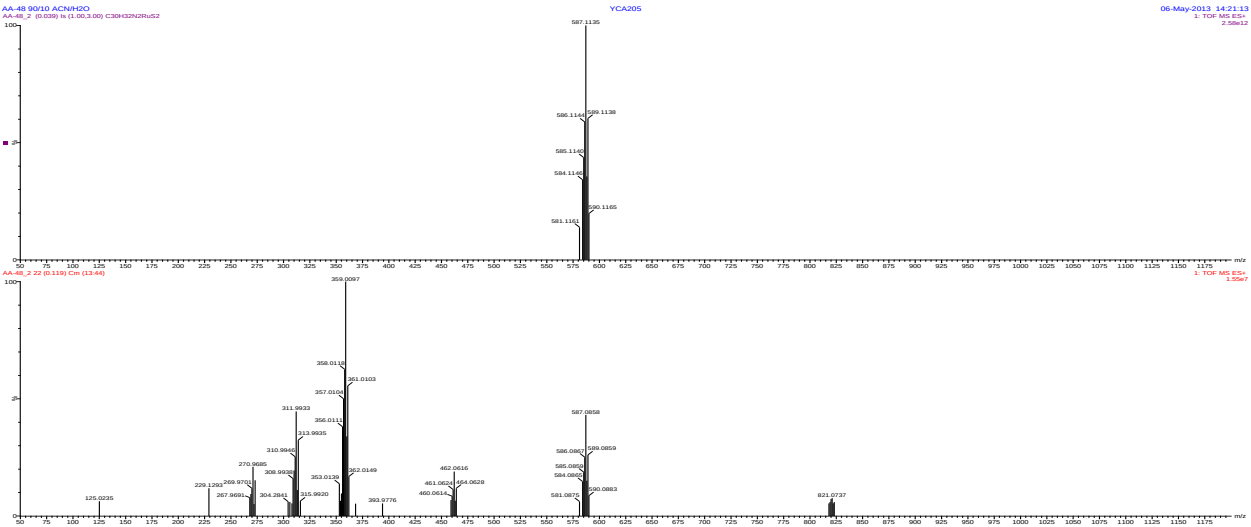


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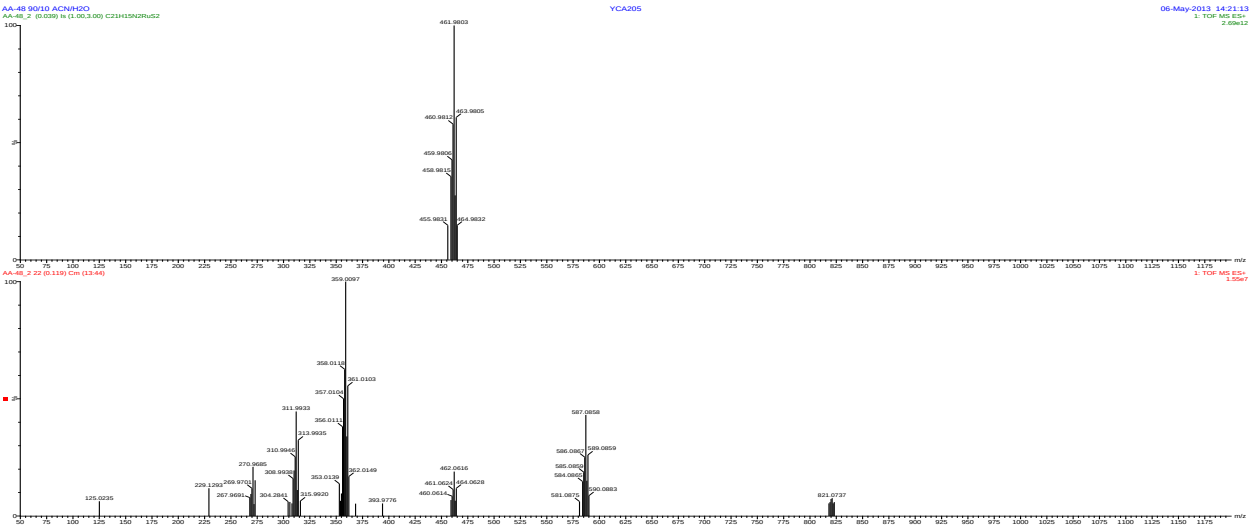


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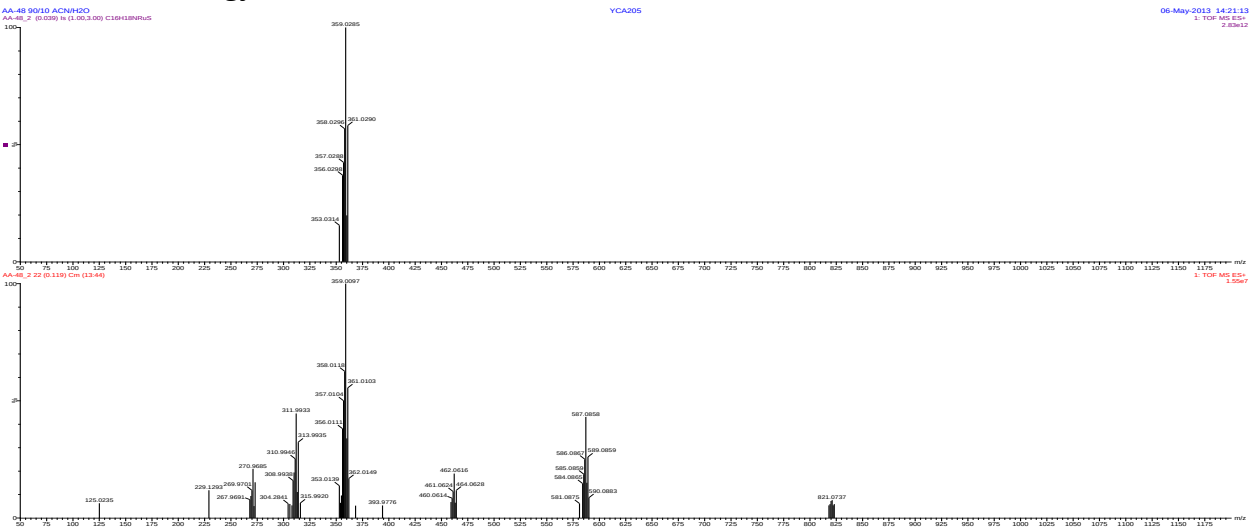


Figure S105. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 312 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

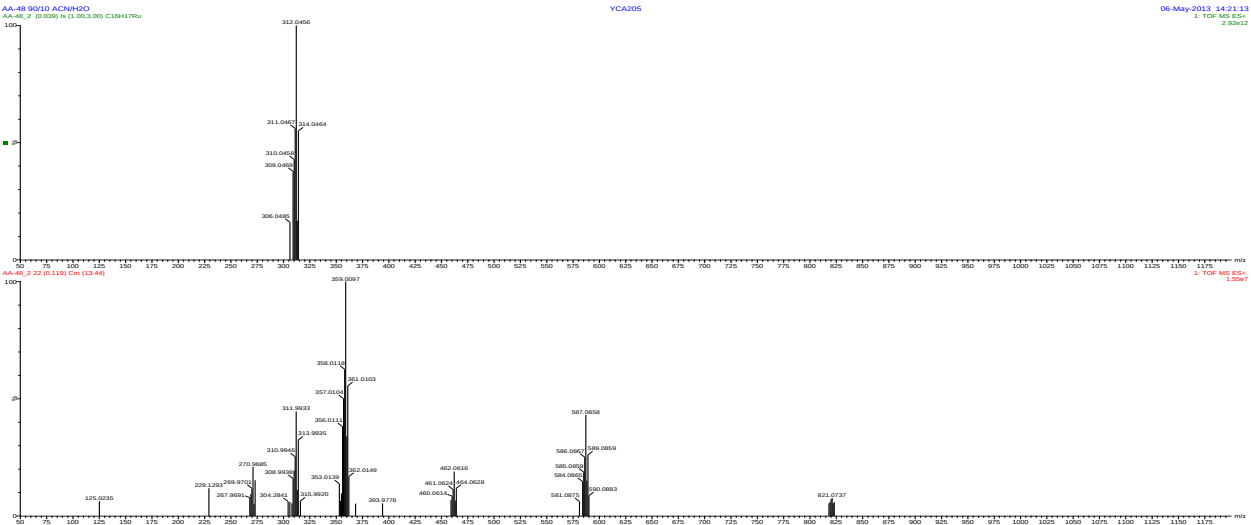


Figure S107. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 270 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

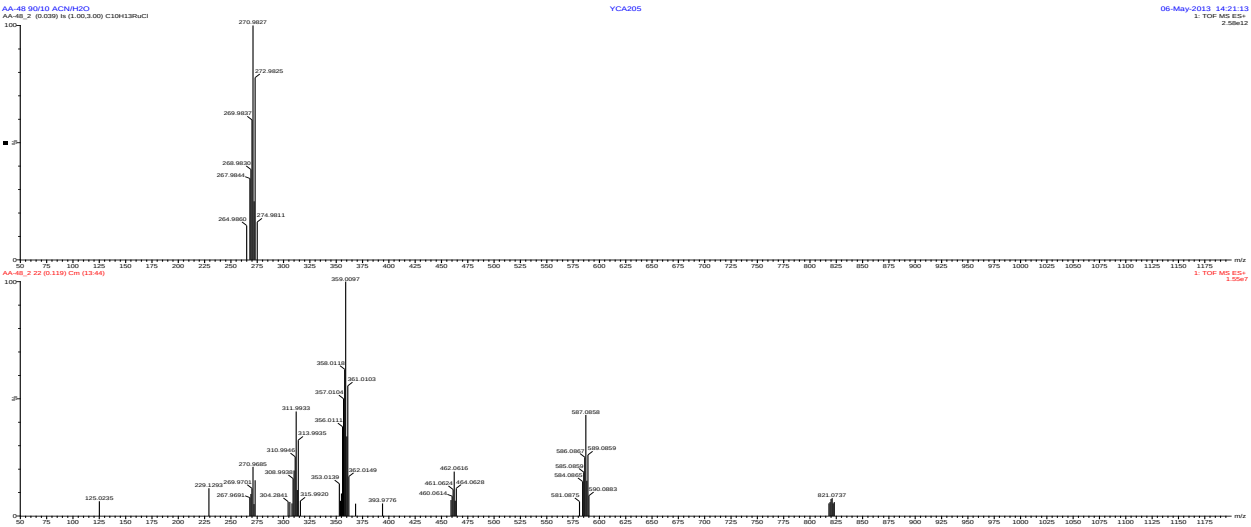


Figure S108. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 270 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

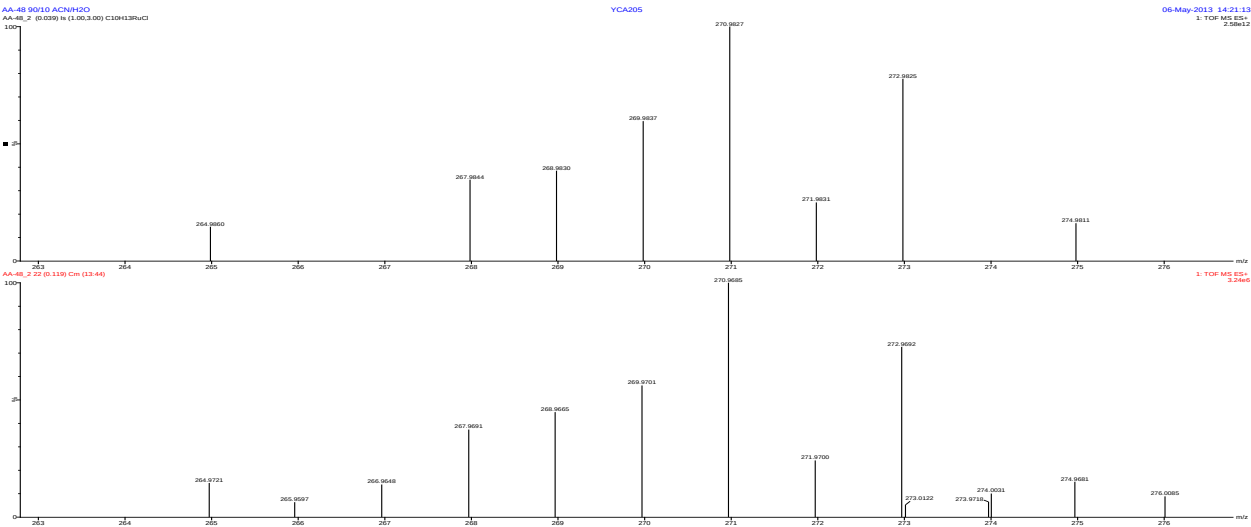


Figure S109. UPLC-MS chromatogram of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) – high energy ionization

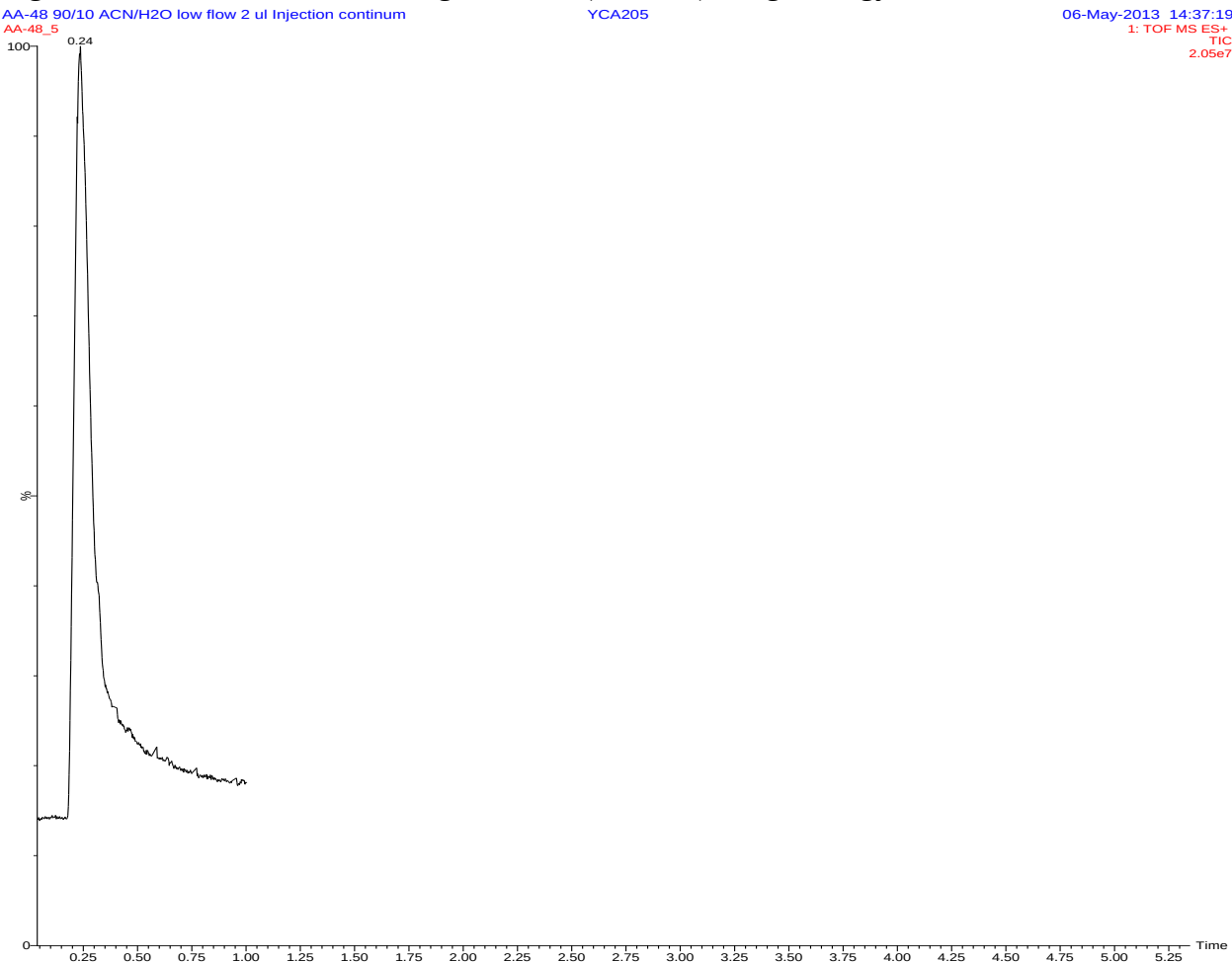


Figure S110. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) – high energy ionization

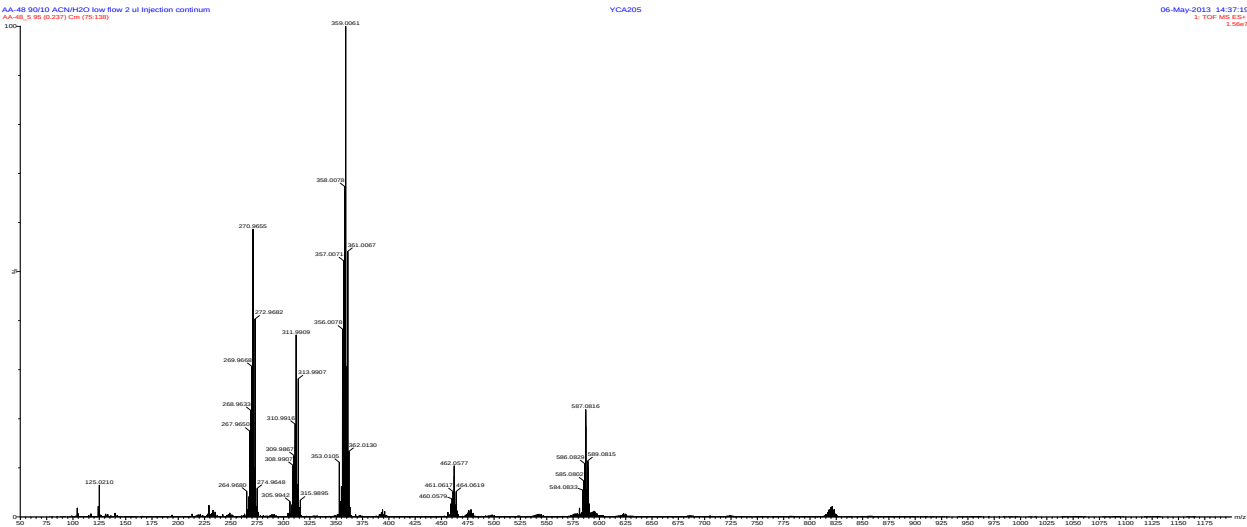


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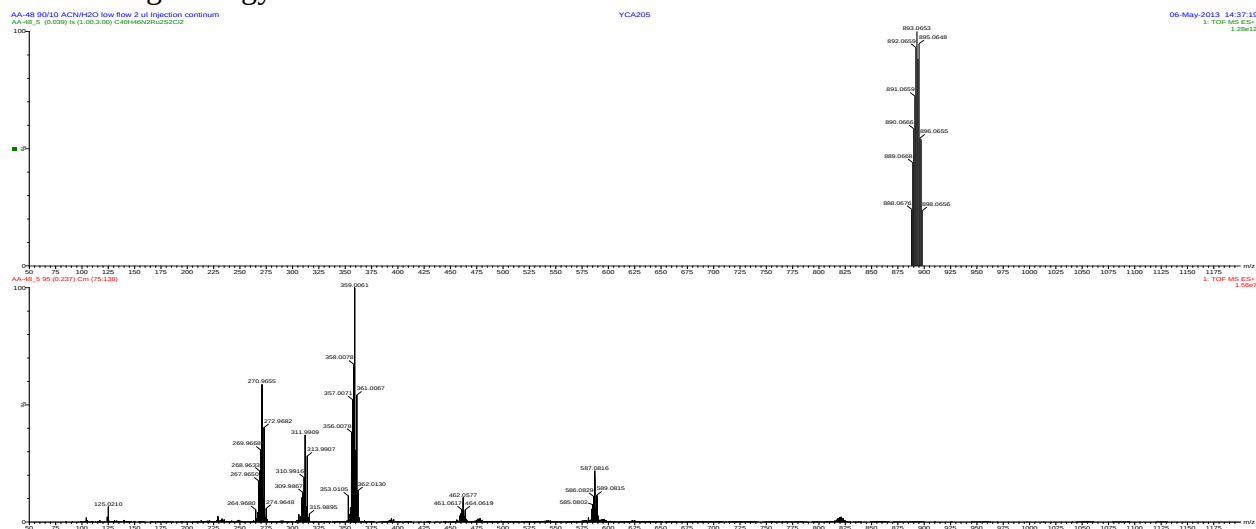


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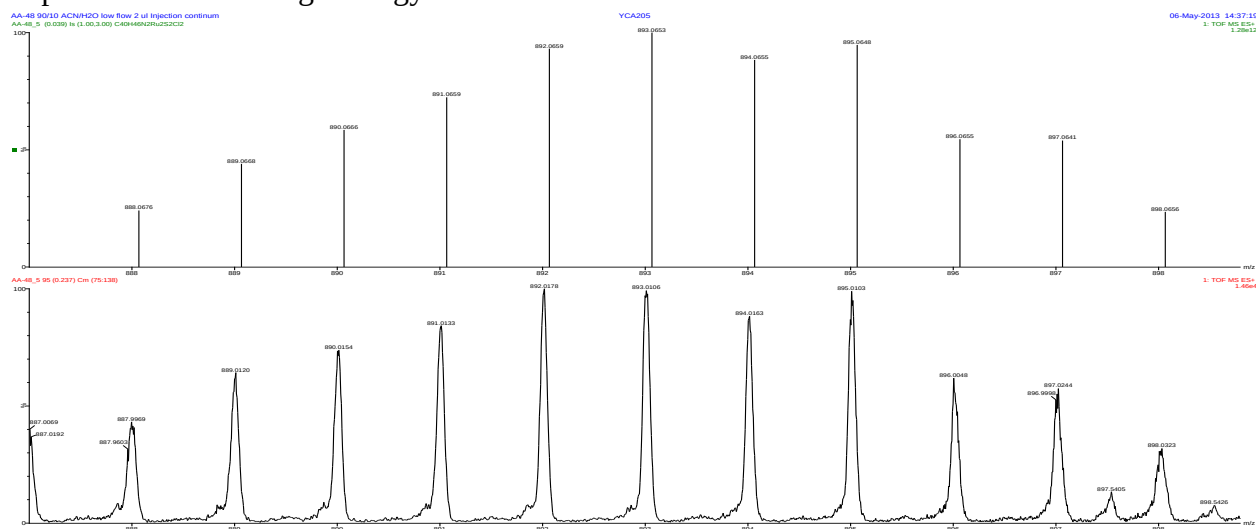




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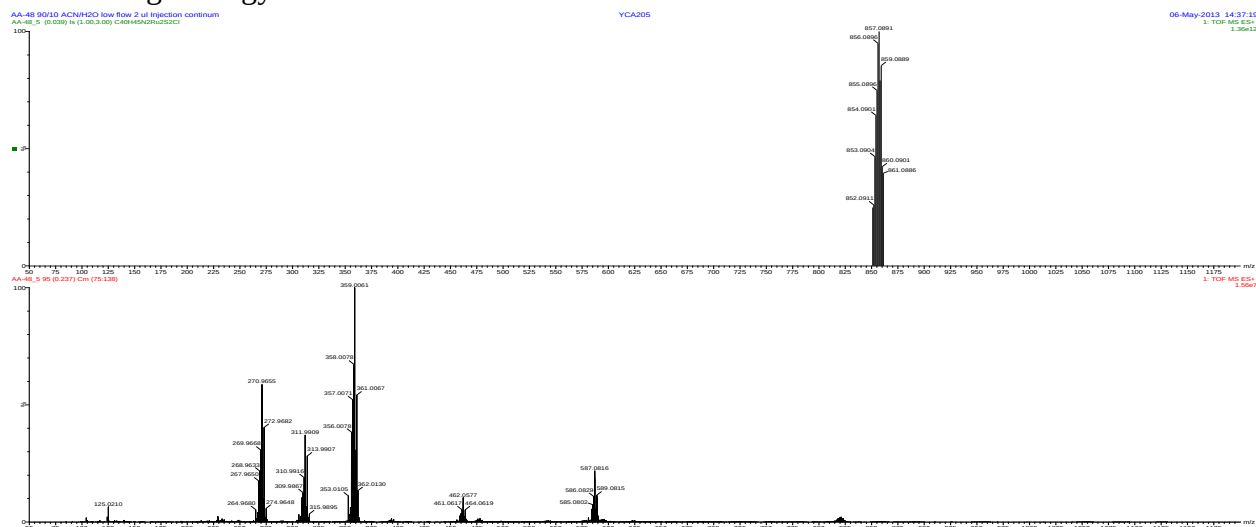


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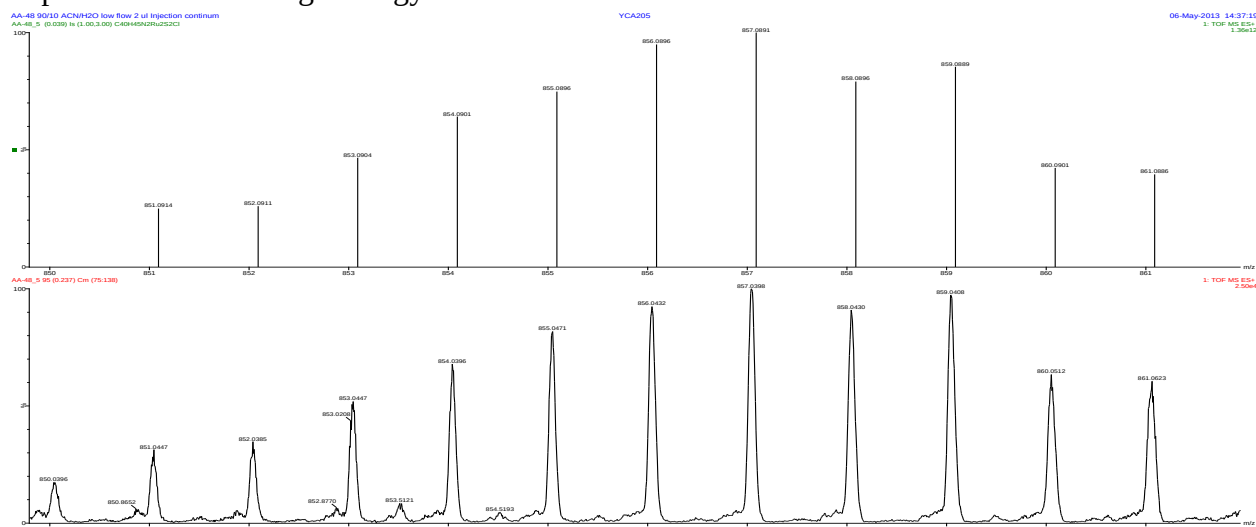


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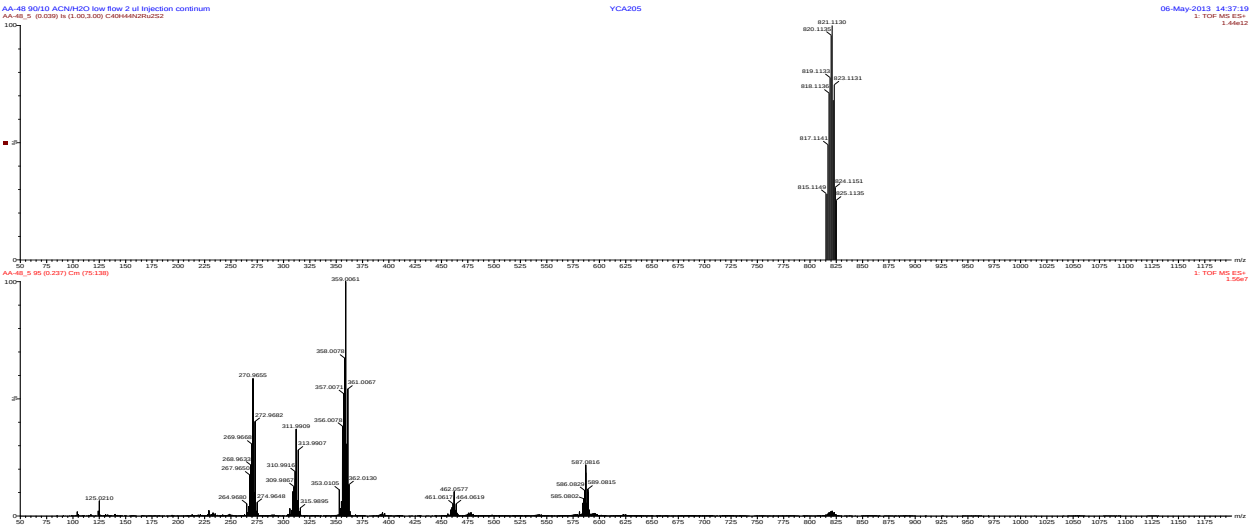


Figure S116. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 821 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

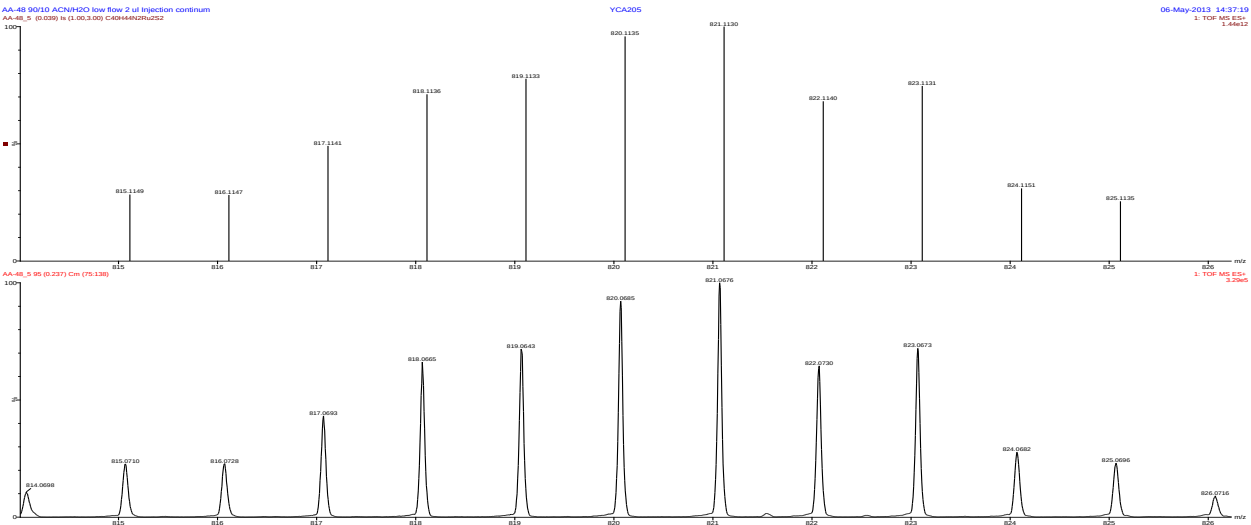


Figure S117. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 587 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

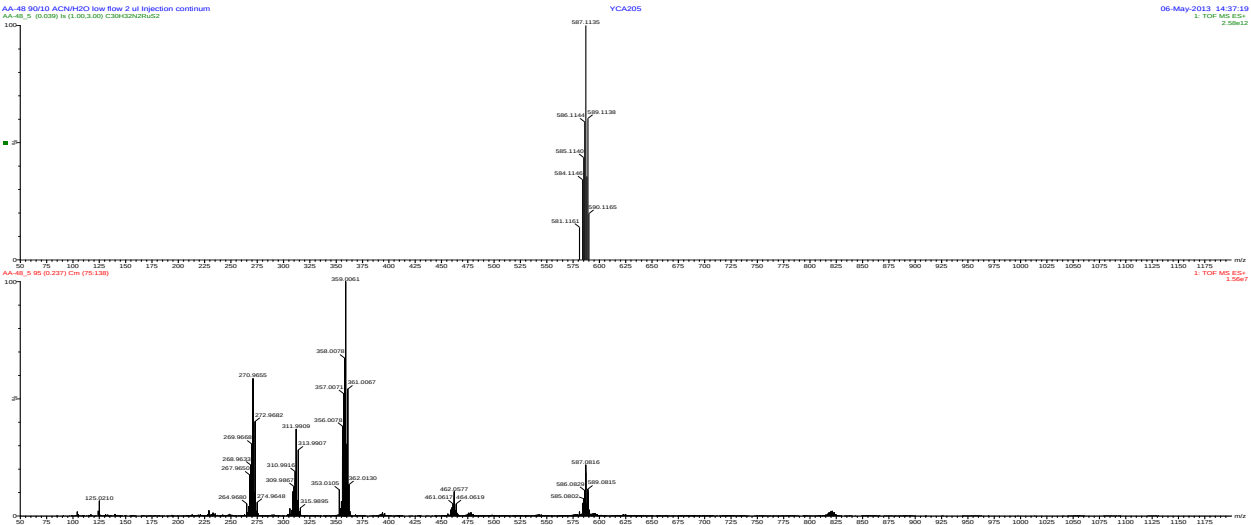


Figure S118. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 587 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

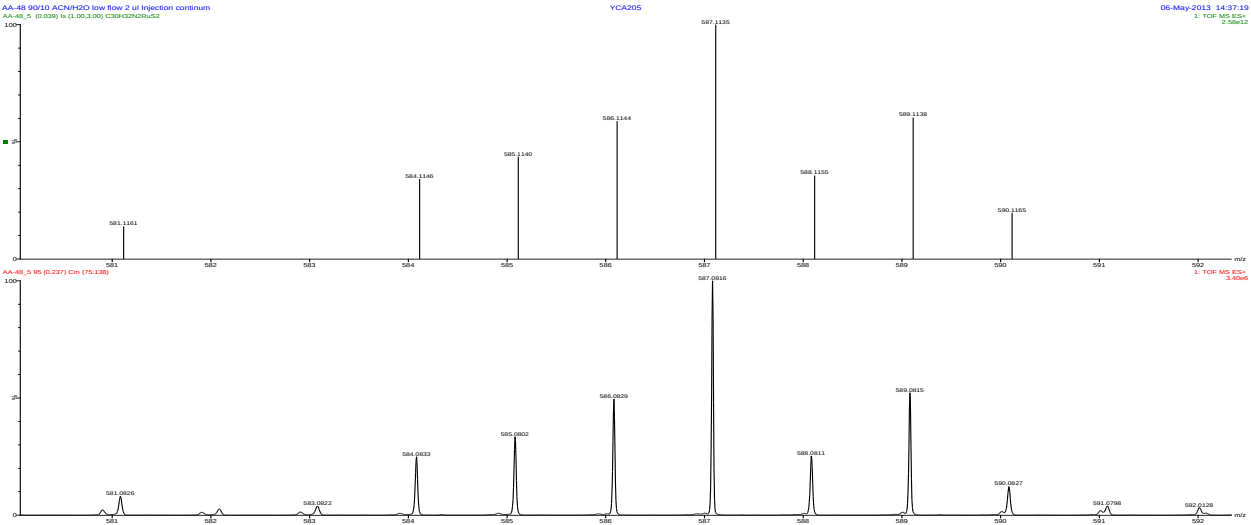


Figure S119. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 462 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

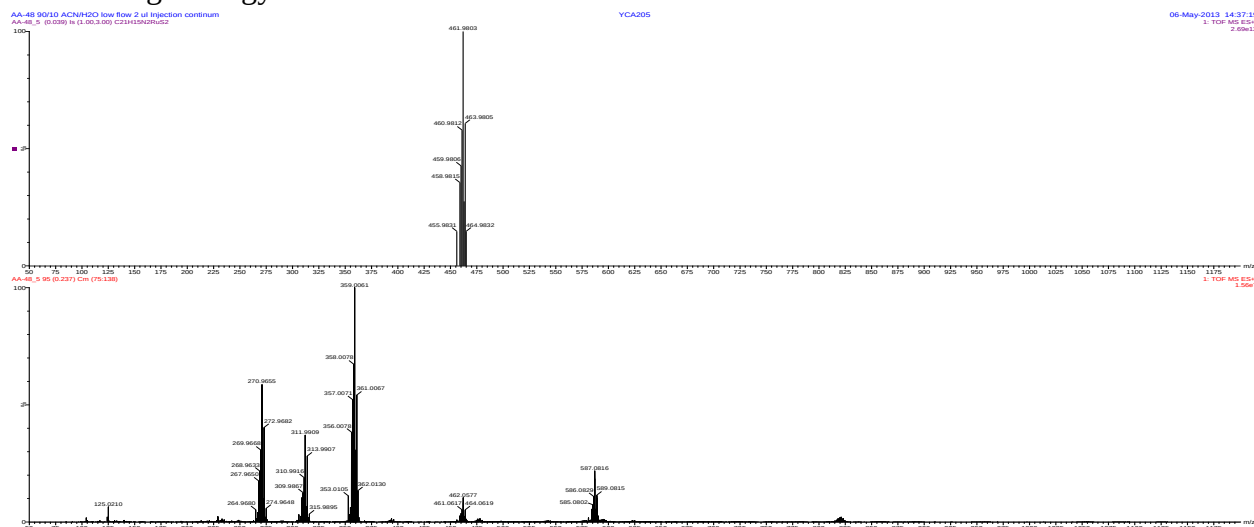


Figure S120. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 462 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

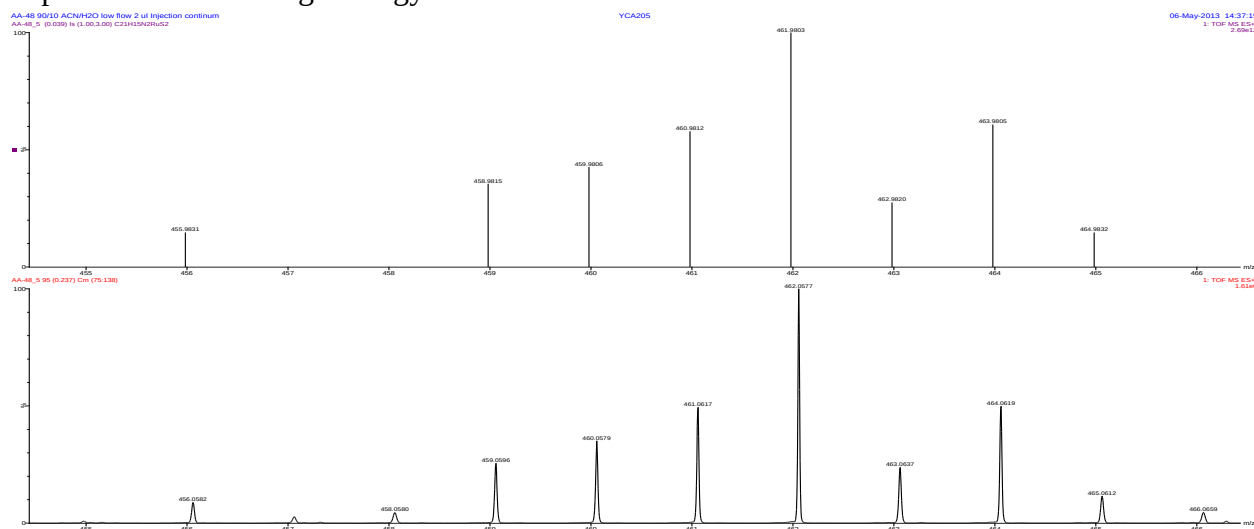


Figure S121. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 359 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

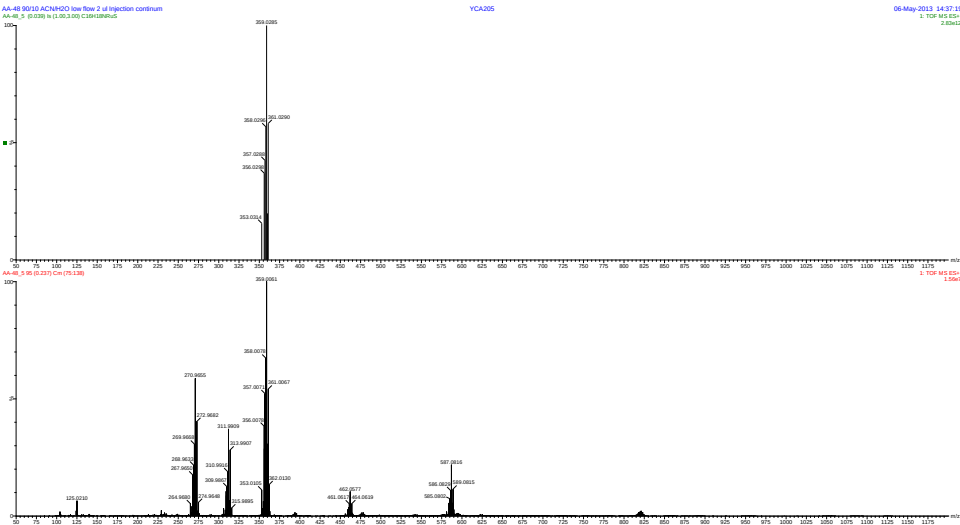


Figure S122. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 359 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

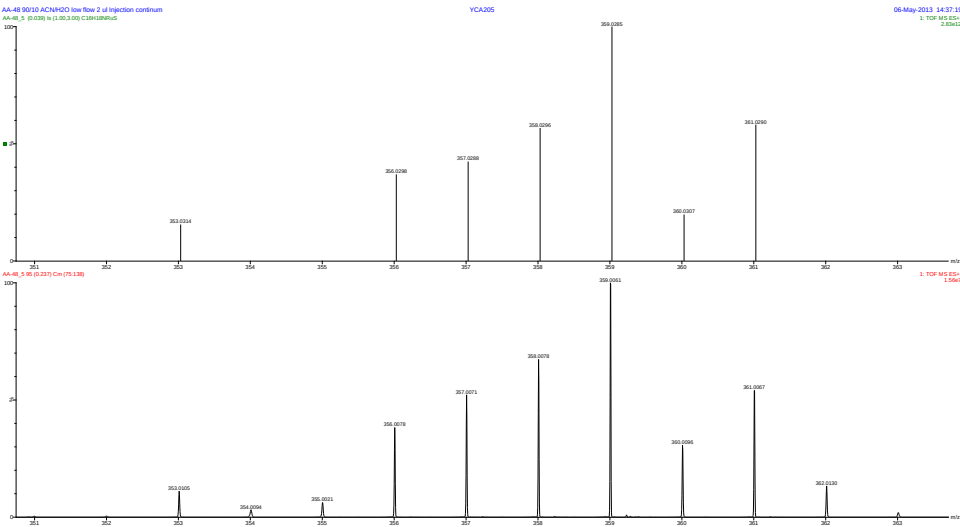


Figure S123. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 312 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

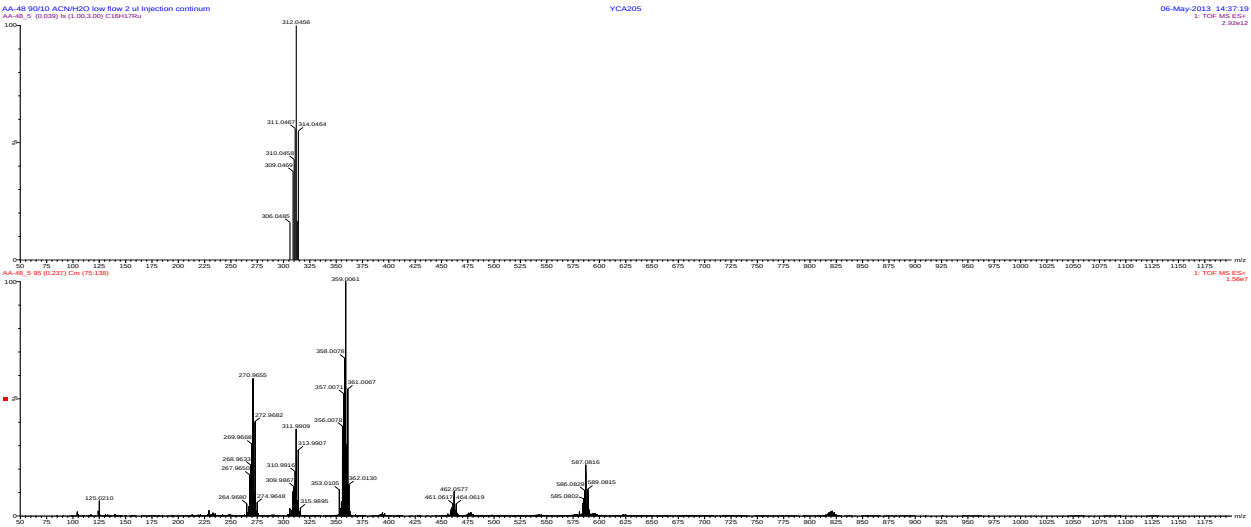


Figure S124. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 312 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

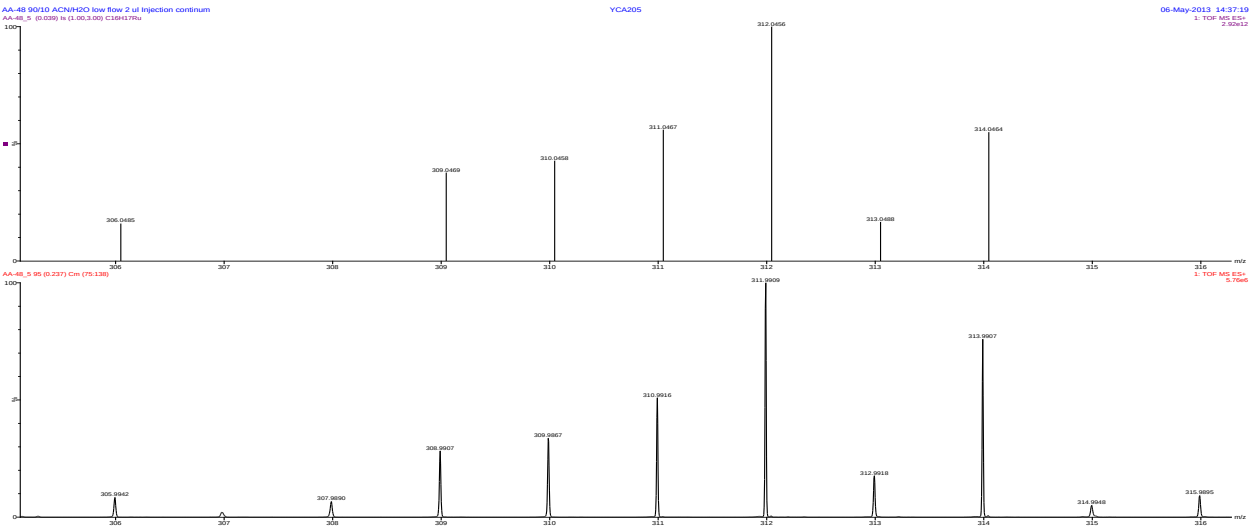


Figure S125. HRMS of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>) signal 270 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – high energy ionization

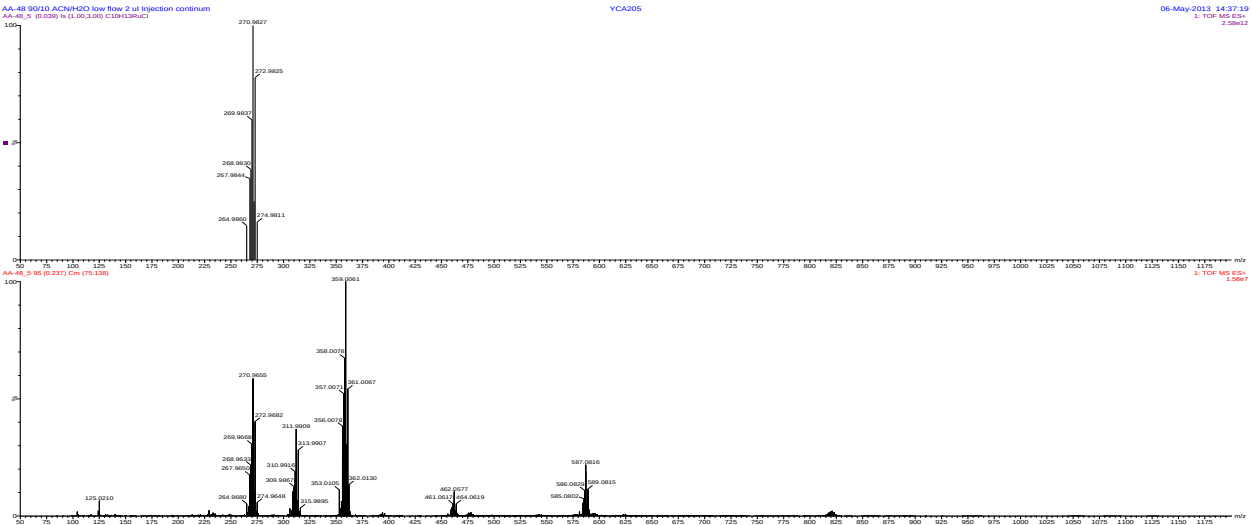


Figure S127. UPLC-MS chromatogram of **2c** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) – low energy ionization

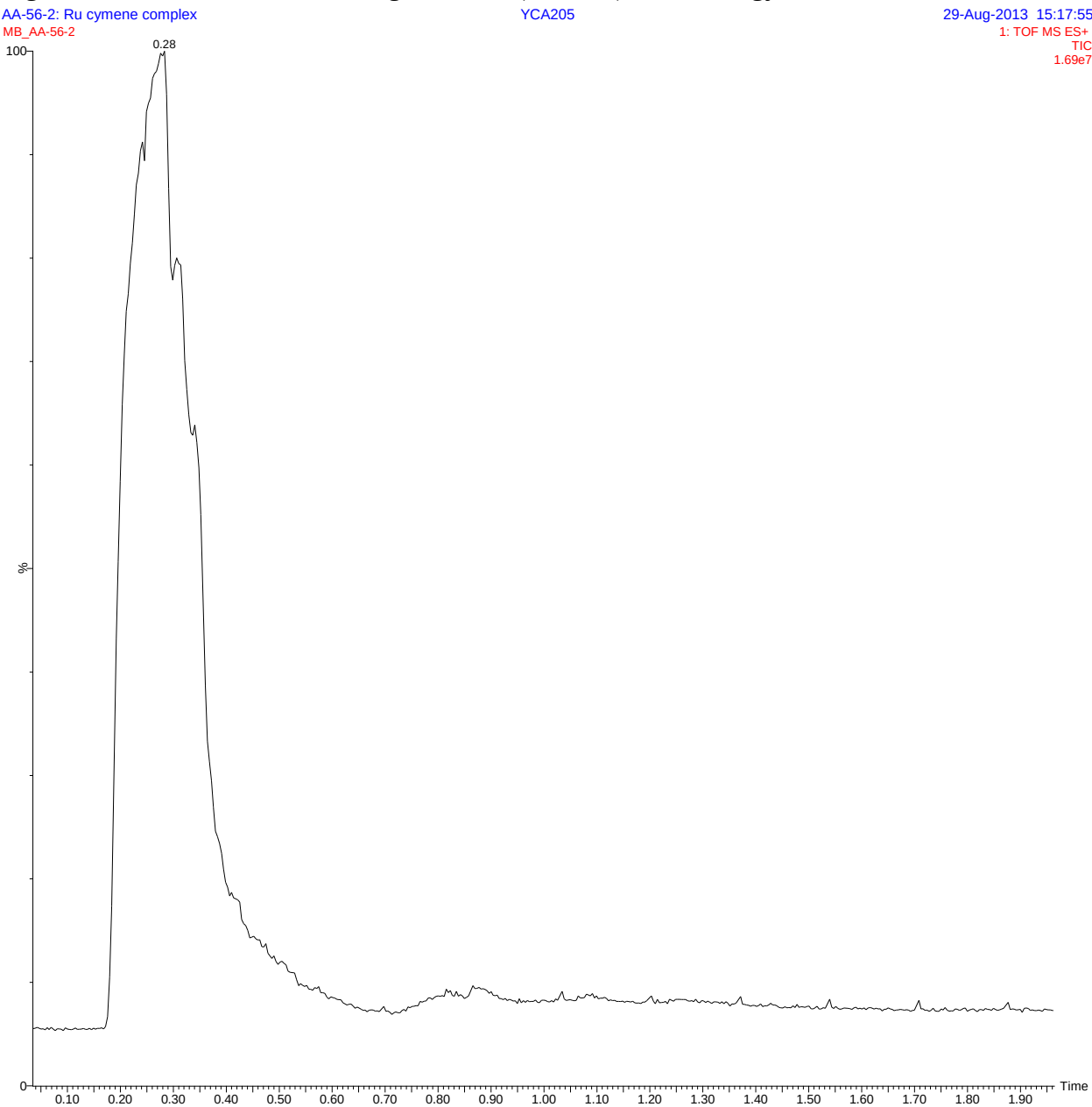




Figure S128. HRMS of **2c** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) – high energy ionization

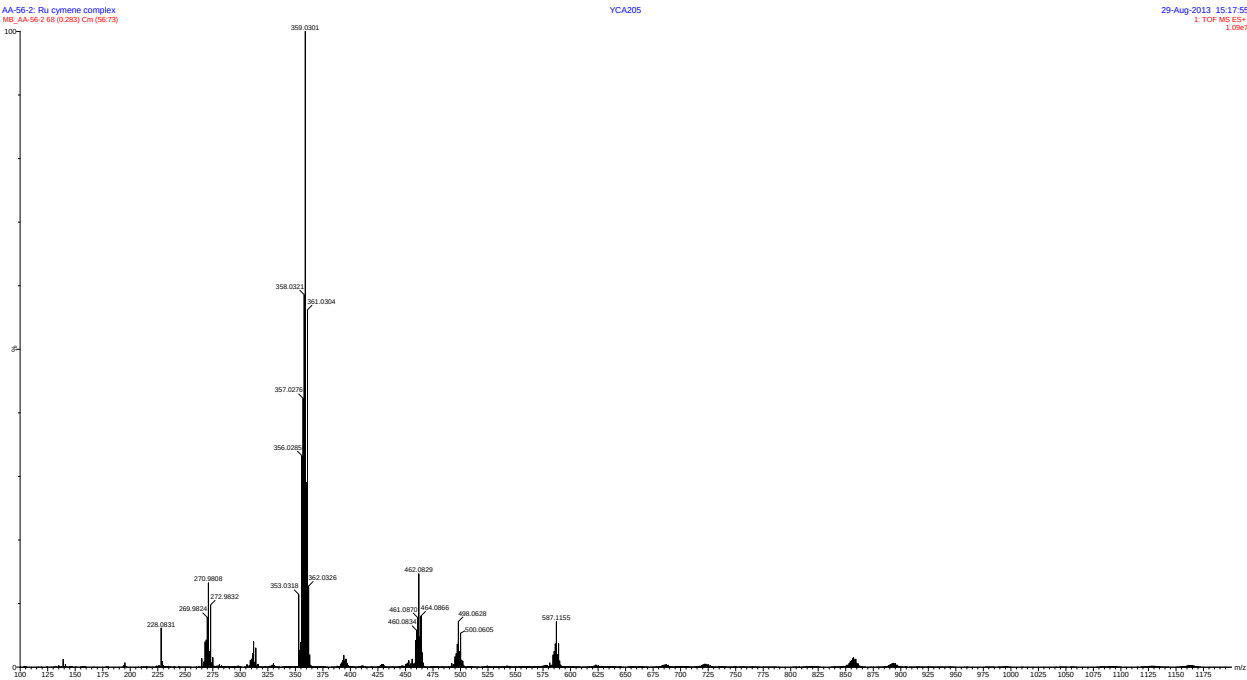


Figure S129. HRMS of **2c** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 893 *m/z* (full); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization

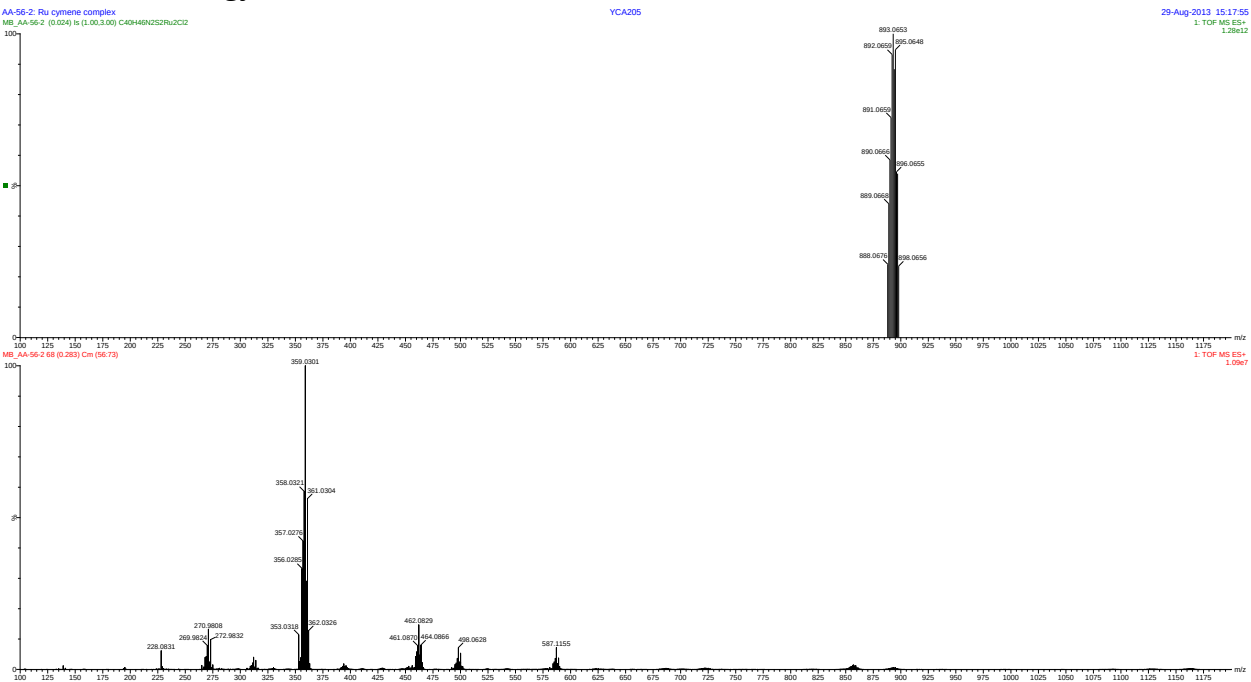
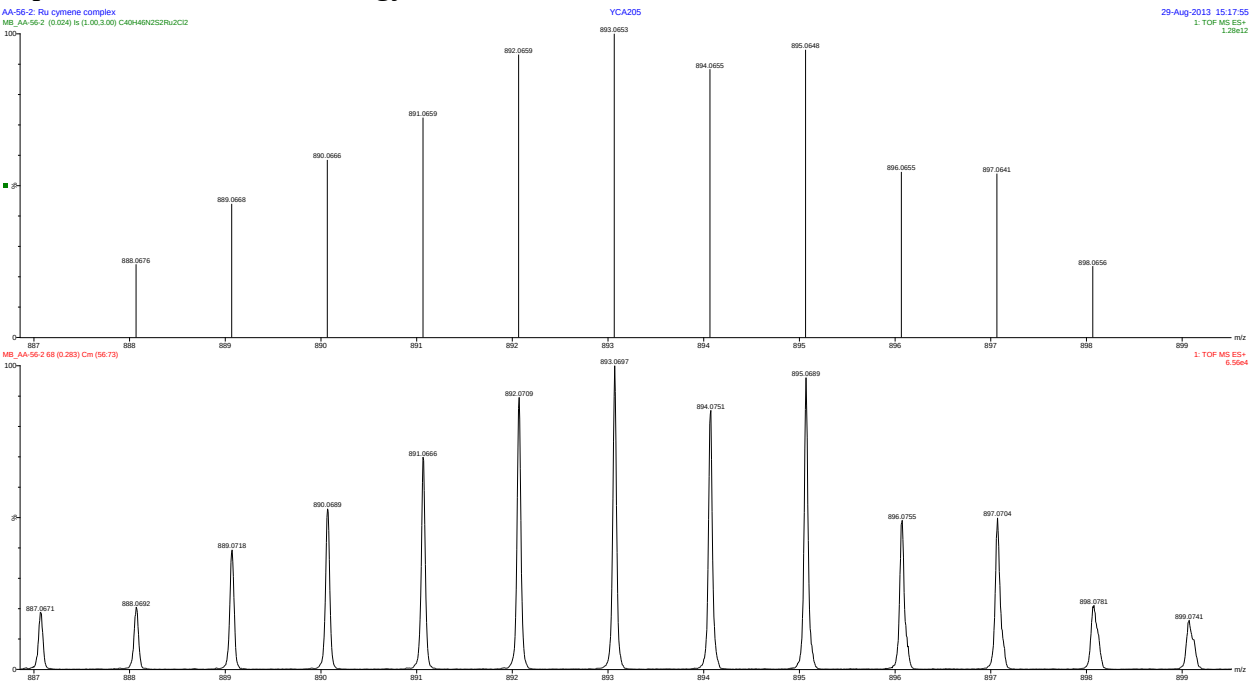


Figure S130. HRMS of **2c** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>) signal 893 *m/z* (zoom); theoretical results above, experiment below – low energy ionization



**Table S1.** Crystallographic Experimental Details

*A. Crystal Data*

|                                             |                                                               |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| formula                                     | C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>2</sub> S <sub>2</sub> |
| formula weight                              | 352.50                                                        |
| crystal dimensions (mm)                     | 0.39 × 0.33 × 0.24                                            |
| crystal system                              | orthorhombic                                                  |
| space group                                 | <i>Pbcn</i> (No. 60)                                          |
| unit cell parameters <sup>a</sup>           |                                                               |
| <i>a</i> (Å)                                | 8.4685 (3)                                                    |
| <i>b</i> (Å)                                | 12.1683 (4)                                                   |
| <i>c</i> (Å)                                | 17.2063 (5)                                                   |
| <i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )                  | 1773.06 (10)                                                  |
| <i>Z</i>                                    | 4                                                             |
| $\rho_{\text{calcd}}$ (g cm <sup>-3</sup> ) | 1.321                                                         |
| $\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )                   | 0.304                                                         |

*B. Data Collection and Refinement Conditions*

|                                                       |                                                                              |
|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| diffractometer                                        | Bruker D8/APEX II CCD <sup>b</sup>                                           |
| radiation ( $\lambda$ [Å])                            | graphite-monochromated Mo K $\alpha$ (0.71073)                               |
| temperature (°C)                                      | −100                                                                         |
| scan type                                             | $\omega$ scans (0.3°) (15 s exposures)                                       |
| data collection $2\theta$ limit (deg)                 | 55.02                                                                        |
| total data collected                                  | 14660 ( $-11 \leq h \leq 11$ , $-15 \leq k \leq 15$ , $-22 \leq l \leq 22$ ) |
| independent reflections                               | 2038 ( $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0173$ )                                           |
| number of observed reflections ( <i>NO</i> )          | 1841 [ $F_o^2 \geq 2\sigma(F_o^2)$ ]                                         |
| structure solution method                             | direct methods ( <i>SHELXD</i> <sup>c</sup> )                                |
| refinement method                                     | full-matrix least-squares on $F^2$ ( <i>SHELXL</i> –97 <sup>d</sup> )        |
| absorption correction method                          | Gaussian integration (face-indexed)                                          |
| range of transmission factors                         | 0.9313–0.8918                                                                |
| data/restraints/parameters                            | 2038 / 0 / 117                                                               |
| goodness-of-fit ( <i>S</i> ) <sup>e</sup> [all data]  | 1.068                                                                        |
| final <i>R</i> indices <sup>f</sup>                   |                                                                              |
| <i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> [ $F_o^2 \geq 2\sigma(F_o^2)$ ] | 0.0284                                                                       |
| <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> [all data]                     | 0.0788                                                                       |
| largest difference peak and hole                      | 0.279 and −0.189 e Å <sup>-3</sup>                                           |

<sup>a</sup>Obtained from least-squares refinement of 7053 reflections with  $5.86^\circ < 2\theta < 54.56^\circ$ .

<sup>b</sup>Programs for diffractometer operation, data collection, data reduction and absorption correction were those supplied by Bruker.

(continued)

**Table 1.** Crystallographic Experimental Details (continued)

<sup>c</sup>Schneider, T. R.; Sheldrick, G. M. *Acta Crystallogr.* **2002**, D58, 1772-1779.

<sup>d</sup>Sheldrick, G. M. *Acta Crystallogr.* **2008**, A64, 112–122.

<sup>e</sup> $S = [\Sigma w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2 / (n - p)]^{1/2}$  ( $n$  = number of data;  $p$  = number of parameters varied;  $w = [\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0374P)^2 + 0.6253P]^{-1}$  where  $P = [\text{Max}(F_o^2, 0) + 2F_c^2]/3$ ).

<sup>f</sup> $R_1 = \Sigma ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_o|$ ;  $wR_2 = [\Sigma w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2 / \Sigma w(F_o^4)]^{1/2}$ .

**Table S2.** Atomic Coordinates and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement Parameters

| Atom | x            | y            | z            | $U_{eq}, \text{\AA}^2$ |
|------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------------------|
| S    | -0.08559(4)  | 0.06451(2)   | 0.378101(18) | 0.03134(11)*           |
| N    | 0.15774(16)  | 0.15458(11)  | 0.49234(7)   | 0.0426(3)*             |
| C1   | 0.03910(14)  | -0.09762(9)  | 0.28579(7)   | 0.0278(2)*             |
| C2   | 0.07503(15)  | -0.19776(11) | 0.32107(8)   | 0.0349(3)*             |
| C3   | 0.03709(17)  | -0.29651(10) | 0.28569(9)   | 0.0399(3)*             |
| C10  | 0.08518(14)  | 0.00839(10)  | 0.32520(7)   | 0.0314(3)*             |
| C11  | -0.02919(14) | 0.20340(9)   | 0.39152(6)   | 0.0267(2)*             |
| C12  | 0.07829(14)  | 0.23289(10)  | 0.45021(7)   | 0.0295(3)*             |
| C13  | 0.10865(16)  | 0.34527(11)  | 0.46173(8)   | 0.0349(3)*             |
| C14  | 0.03833(16)  | 0.42377(10)  | 0.41528(8)   | 0.0365(3)*             |
| C15  | -0.06340(16) | 0.39462(11)  | 0.35613(8)   | 0.0372(3)*             |
| C16  | -0.09756(15) | 0.28428(10)  | 0.34474(7)   | 0.0324(3)*             |
| H1NA | 0.115(2)     | 0.0908(16)   | 0.4951(10)   | 0.052(5)               |
| H1NB | 0.204(2)     | 0.1776(14)   | 0.5348(11)   | 0.056(5)               |

Anisotropically-refined atoms are marked with an asterisk (\*). The form of the anisotropic displacement parameter is:  $\exp[-2\pi^2(h^2a^{*2}U_{11} + k^2b^{*2}U_{22} + l^2c^{*2}U_{33} + 2klb^{*c^{*}}U_{23} + 2hla^{*c^{*}}U_{13} + 2hka^{*b^{*}}U_{12})]$ .

**Table S3.** Selected Interatomic Distances (Å)

| Atom1 | Atom2 | Distance   | Atom1 | Atom2 | Distance   |
|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|------------|
| S     | C10   | 1.8402(13) | C2    | C3    | 1.3849(19) |
| S     | C11   | 1.7714(12) | C3    | C3'   | 1.379(3)   |
| N     | C12   | 1.3733(17) | C11   | C12   | 1.4061(16) |
| N     | H1NA  | 0.859(19)  | C11   | C16   | 1.3970(17) |
| N     | H1NB  | 0.877(19)  | C12   | C13   | 1.4055(17) |
| C1    | C1'   | 1.399(2)   | C13   | C14   | 1.3806(19) |
| C1    | C2    | 1.3949(17) | C14   | C15   | 1.380(2)   |
| C1    | C10   | 1.5086(16) | C15   | C16   | 1.3873(18) |

Primed atoms are related to unprimed ones via the crystallographic twofold axis (0, y, 1/4).

**Table 4.** Selected Interatomic Angles (deg)

| Atom1 | Atom2 | Atom3 | Angle      | Atom1 | Atom2 | Atom3 | Angle      |
|-------|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|-------|------------|
| C10   | S     | C11   | 101.92(5)  | S     | C11   | C12   | 120.77(9)  |
| C12   | N     | H1NA  | 116.6(12)  | S     | C11   | C16   | 119.03(9)  |
| C12   | N     | H1NB  | 116.0(11)  | C12   | C11   | C16   | 120.16(11) |
| H1NA  | N     | H1NB  | 115.8(16)  | N     | C12   | C11   | 121.28(11) |
| C1'   | C1    | C2    | 119.11(7)  | N     | C12   | C13   | 120.73(12) |
| C1'   | C1    | C10   | 121.22(7)  | C11   | C12   | C13   | 117.90(11) |
| C2    | C1    | C10   | 119.67(11) | C12   | C13   | C14   | 120.85(12) |
| C1    | C2    | C3    | 121.07(12) | C13   | C14   | C15   | 121.23(12) |
| C2    | C3    | C3'   | 119.81(8)  | C14   | C15   | C16   | 118.89(12) |
| S     | C10   | C1    | 109.66(8)  | C11   | C16   | C15   | 120.93(12) |

Primed atoms are related to unprimed ones via the crystallographic twofold axis (0, y, 1/4).

**Table 5.** Torsional Angles (deg)

| Atom1 | Atom2 | Atom3 | Atom4 | Angle       | Atom1 | Atom2 | Atom3 | Atom4 | Angle       |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|
| C11   | S     | C10   | C1    | -161.66(8)  | S     | C11   | C12   | N     | 8.27(16)    |
| C10   | S     | C11   | C12   | -78.72(10)  | S     | C11   | C12   | C13   | -175.13(9)  |
| C10   | S     | C11   | C16   | 103.65(10)  | C16   | C11   | C12   | N     | -174.13(12) |
| C2    | C1    | C1'   | C2'   | -1.8(3)     | C16   | C11   | C12   | C13   | 2.47(17)    |
| C2    | C1    | C1'   | C10'  | 178.08(8)   | S     | C11   | C16   | C15   | 176.41(10)  |
| C10   | C1    | C1'   | C10'  | -2.0(2)     | C12   | C11   | C16   | C15   | -1.23(18)   |
| C1'   | C1    | C2    | C3    | 1.2(2)      | N     | C12   | C13   | C14   | 174.81(12)  |
| C10   | C1    | C2    | C3    | -178.73(12) | C11   | C12   | C13   | C14   | -1.80(18)   |
| C1'   | C1    | C10   | S     | 82.09(16)   | C12   | C13   | C14   | C15   | -0.2(2)     |
| C2    | C1    | C10   | S     | -98.00(12)  | C13   | C14   | C15   | C16   | 1.4(2)      |
| C1    | C2    | C3    | C3'   | 0.2(2)      | C14   | C15   | C16   | C11   | -0.75(19)   |

Primed atoms are related to unprimed ones via the crystallographic twofold axis (0, y, 1/4).

**Table S6.** Anisotropic Displacement Parameters ( $U_{ij}$ , Å<sup>2</sup>)

| Atom | $U_{11}$    | $U_{22}$    | $U_{33}$    | $U_{23}$     | $U_{13}$    | $U_{12}$     |
|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| S    | 0.03392(18) | 0.02513(17) | 0.03497(19) | -0.00366(11) | 0.00228(12) | -0.00570(11) |
| N    | 0.0529(7)   | 0.0348(6)   | 0.0401(6)   | 0.0037(5)    | -0.0164(6)  | -0.0038(5)   |
| C1   | 0.0279(5)   | 0.0228(5)   | 0.0328(6)   | -0.0008(5)   | -0.0017(5)  | 0.0007(4)    |
| C2   | 0.0371(6)   | 0.0303(6)   | 0.0372(7)   | 0.0056(5)    | -0.0031(5)  | 0.0032(5)    |
| C3   | 0.0423(7)   | 0.0221(6)   | 0.0553(8)   | 0.0082(5)    | 0.0042(6)   | 0.0036(5)    |
| C10  | 0.0300(6)   | 0.0275(6)   | 0.0368(6)   | -0.0054(5)   | -0.0042(5)  | -0.0003(5)   |
| C11  | 0.0291(6)   | 0.0239(5)   | 0.0272(5)   | -0.0019(4)   | 0.0035(4)   | -0.0012(4)   |
| C12  | 0.0326(6)   | 0.0287(6)   | 0.0271(6)   | -0.0011(5)   | 0.0022(5)   | -0.0013(5)   |
| C13  | 0.0377(6)   | 0.0317(6)   | 0.0352(6)   | -0.0076(5)   | 0.0032(5)   | -0.0060(5)   |
| C14  | 0.0431(7)   | 0.0244(6)   | 0.0420(7)   | -0.0040(5)   | 0.0149(6)   | -0.0014(5)   |
| C15  | 0.0422(7)   | 0.0294(6)   | 0.0402(7)   | 0.0064(5)    | 0.0105(6)   | 0.0080(5)    |
| C16  | 0.0334(6)   | 0.0329(6)   | 0.0309(6)   | 0.0004(5)    | 0.0020(5)   | 0.0037(5)    |

The form of the anisotropic displacement parameter is:

$$\exp[-2\pi^2(h^2a^2U_{11} + k^2b^2U_{22} + l^2c^2U_{33} + 2klb^*c^*U_{23} + 2hla^*c^*U_{13} + 2hka^*b^*U_{12})]$$

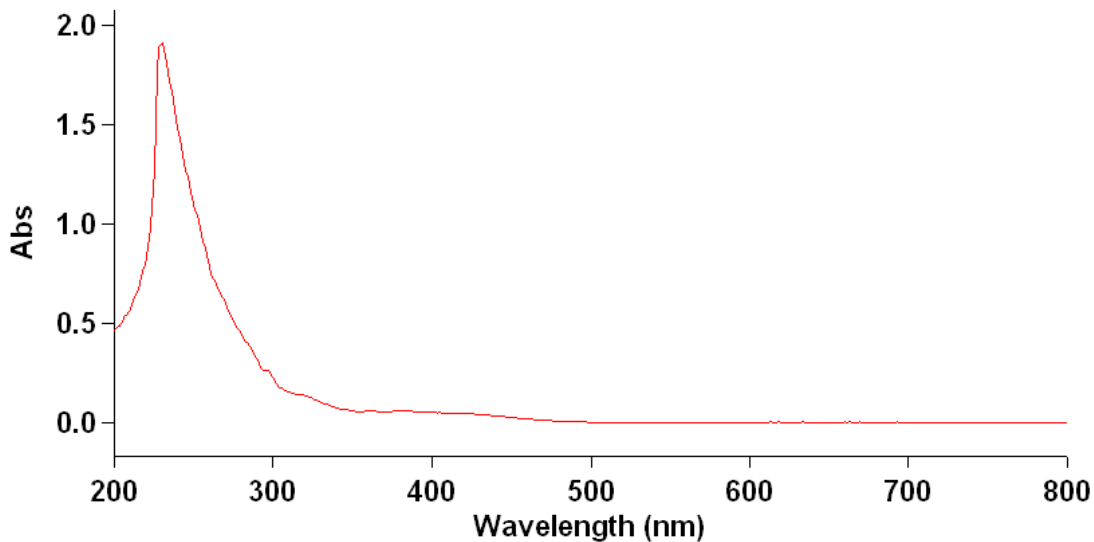
**Table S7.** Derived Atomic Coordinates and Displacement Parameters for Hydrogen Atoms

| Atom | $x$     | $y$     | $z$    | $U_{eq}$ , Å <sup>2</sup> |
|------|---------|---------|--------|---------------------------|
| H2   | 0.1264  | -0.1982 | 0.3702 | 0.042                     |
| H3   | 0.0621  | -0.3641 | 0.3105 | 0.048                     |
| H10A | 0.1216  | 0.0621  | 0.2859 | 0.038                     |
| H10B | 0.1731  | -0.0052 | 0.3619 | 0.038                     |
| H13  | 0.1785  | 0.3675  | 0.5020 | 0.042                     |
| H14  | 0.0604  | 0.4993  | 0.4242 | 0.044                     |
| H15  | -0.1093 | 0.4492  | 0.3237 | 0.045                     |
| H16  | -0.1685 | 0.2634  | 0.3046 | 0.039                     |



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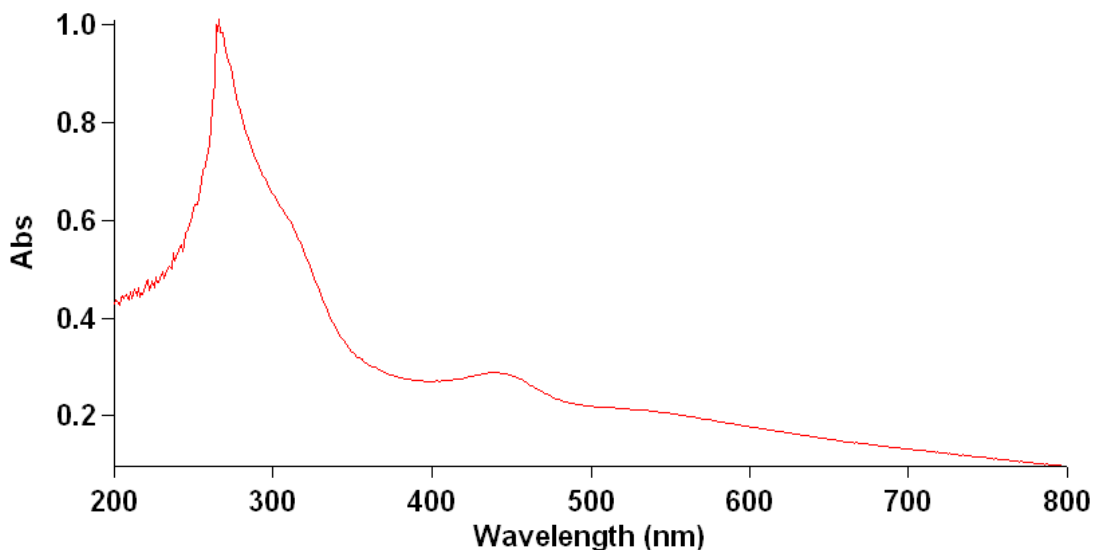
Figure S131. UV-vis spectrum of **2a** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>)



Solvent: CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; Concentration: 0.025 mg/mL

$\lambda_{\text{max}}$ /nm for **2a** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) 230 ( $\epsilon/\text{dm}^3 \text{mol}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$  81 500) and 260 (sh).

Figure S132. UV-vis spectrum of **2b** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>)

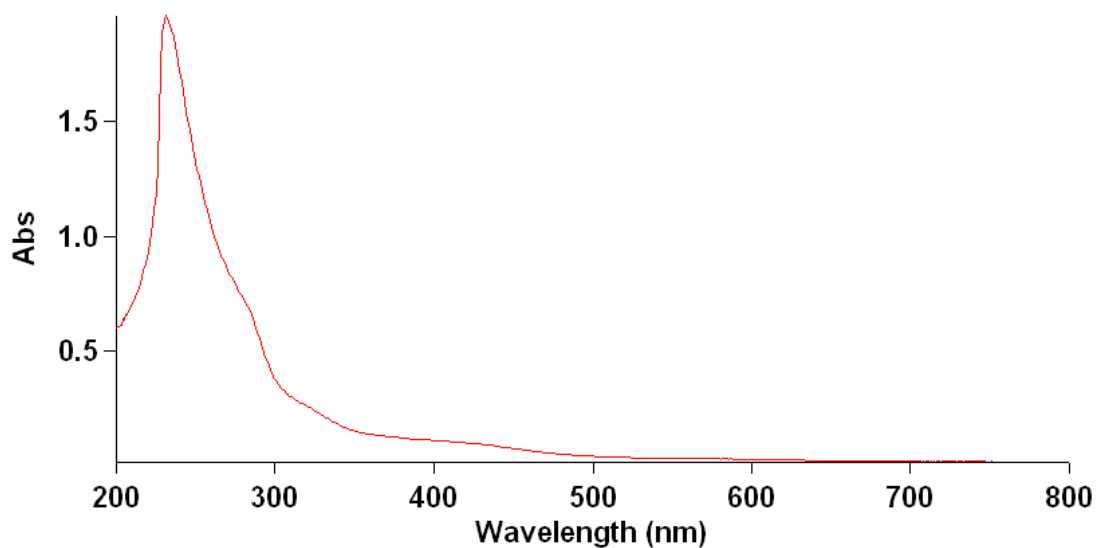


Solvent: DMF; Concentration: 0.07 mg/mL

$\lambda_{\text{max}}$ /nm for **2b** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>, DMF) 266 ( $\epsilon/\text{dm}^3 \text{mol}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$  17 100), 303 (sh) and 439 (4 900).

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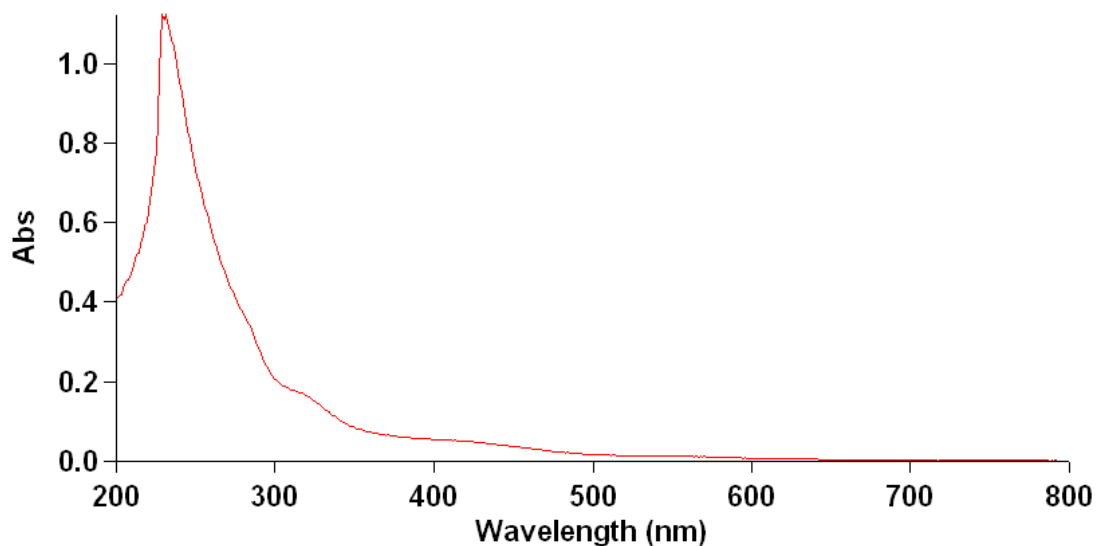
Figure S133. UV-vis spectrum of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>)



Solvent: CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; Concentration: 0.025 mg/mL

$\lambda_{\text{max}}$ /nm for **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) 231 ( $\epsilon/\text{dm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$  53 200) and 278 (sh).

Figure S134. UV-vis spectrum of **2c** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>)



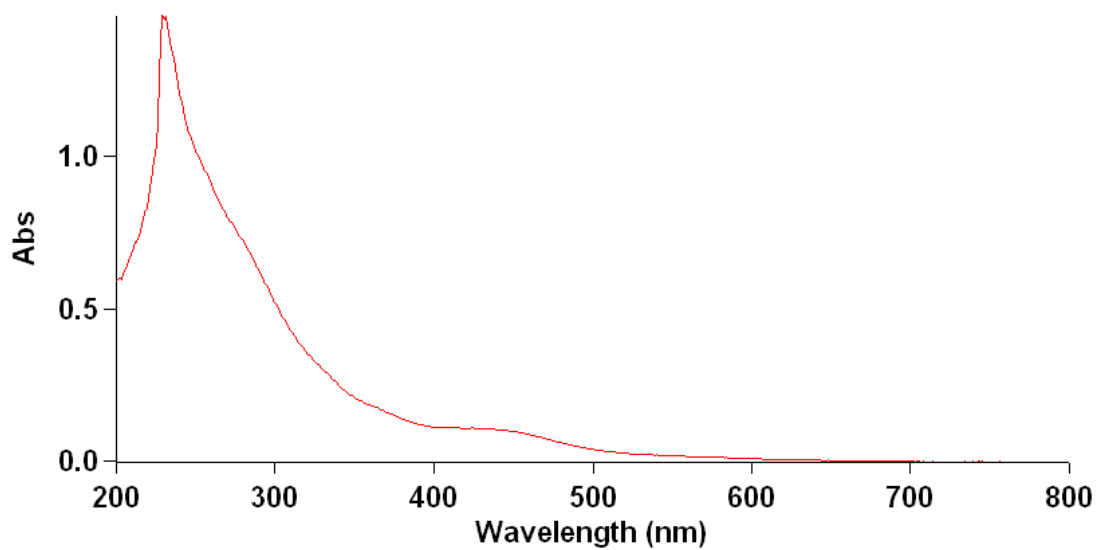
Solvent: CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; Concentration: 0.025 mg/mL

$\lambda_{\text{max}}$ /nm for **2c** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) 230 ( $\epsilon/\text{dm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$  81 500), 270 (sh) and 312 (8 300).

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Figure S135. UV-vis spectrum of **3** and mixture with **2b** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>).

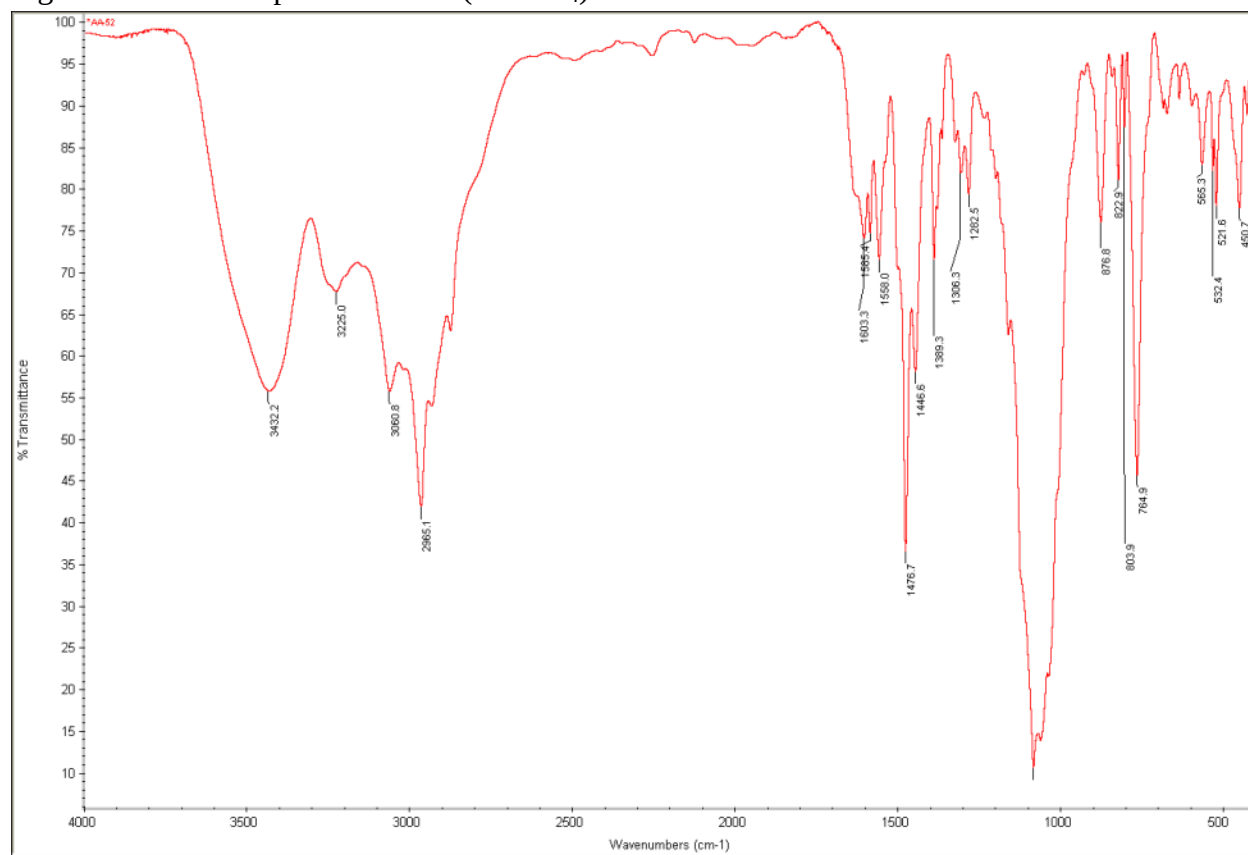


Solvent: DMF; Concentration: 0.038 mg/mL

$\lambda_{\text{max}}$ /nm for **3** (DMF) 229, 270 and 440.

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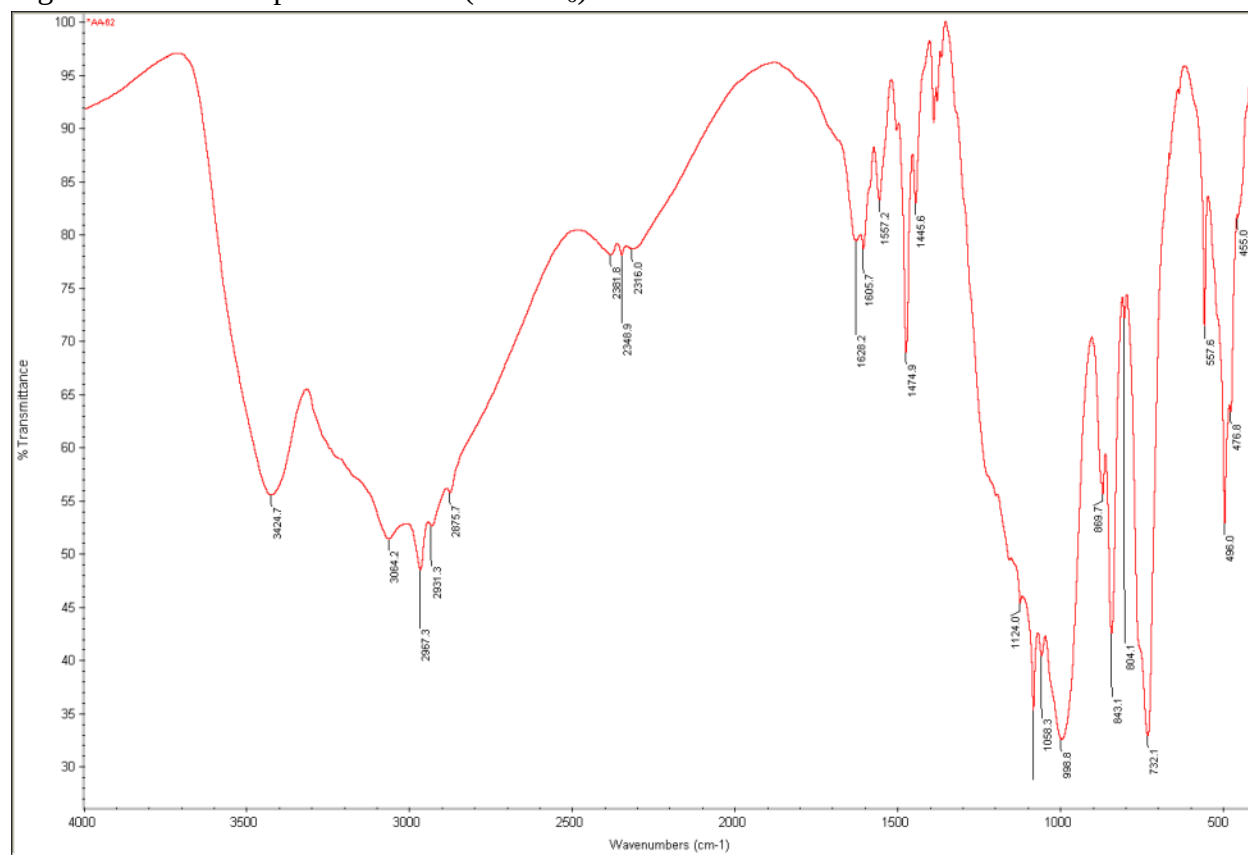
Figure S136. FTIR spectrum of **2a** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>).



KBr pellet (approx. 1.5 mg in 300 mg KBr), 64 scan, 2 cm<sup>-1</sup> resolution

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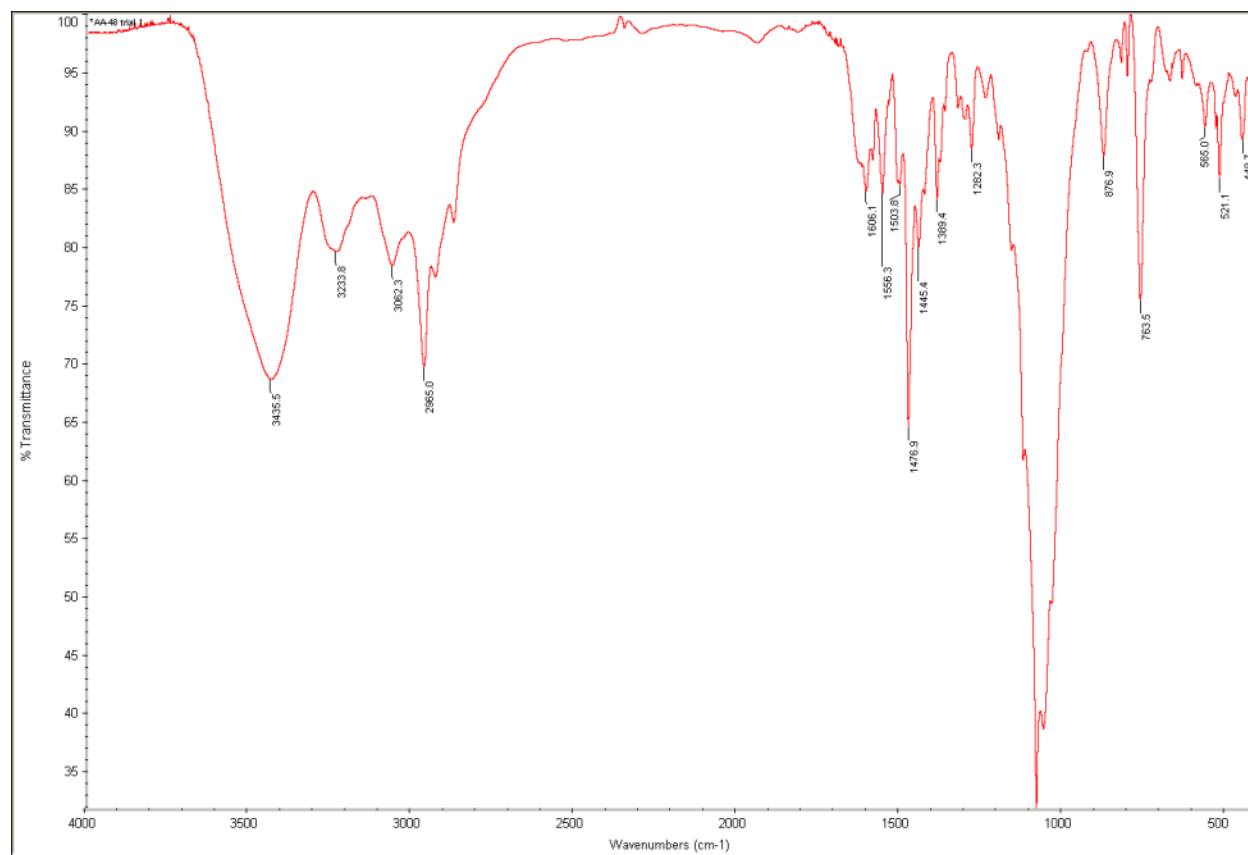
Figure S137. FTIR spectrum of **2b** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>).



KBr pellet (approx. 1.5 mg in 300 mg KBr), 64 scan, 2 cm<sup>-1</sup> resolution

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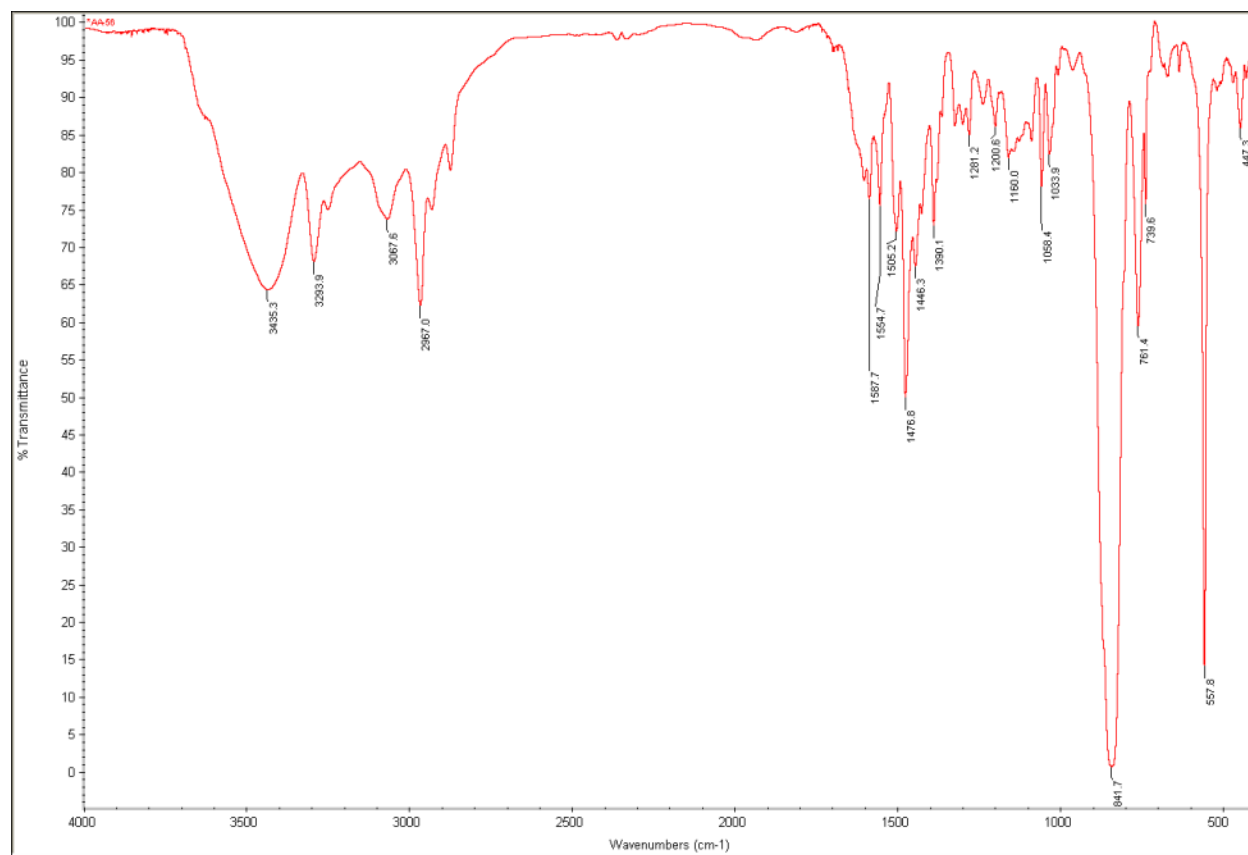
Figure S138. FTIR spectrum of **2c** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>).



KBr pellet (approx. 1.5 mg in 300 mg KBr), 64 scan, 2 cm<sup>-1</sup> resolution

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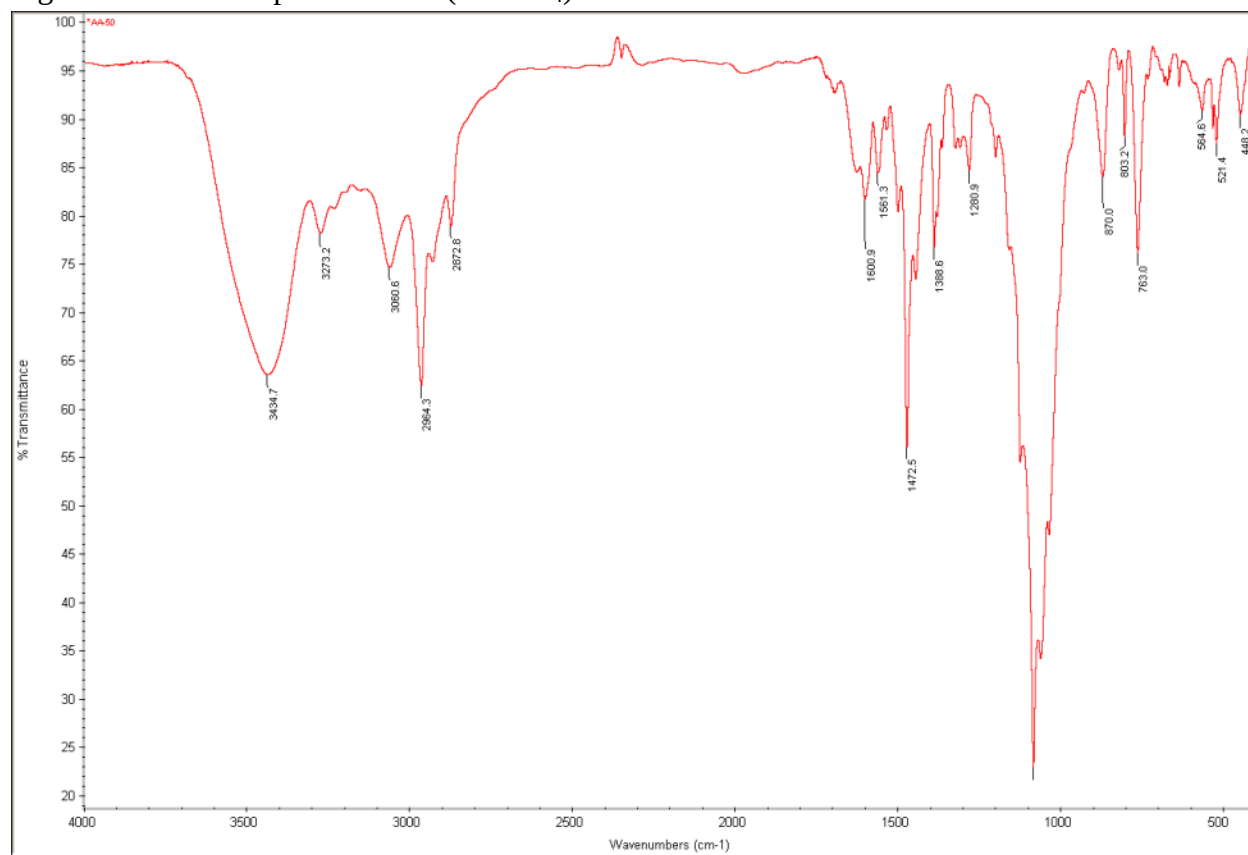
Figure S139. FTIR spectrum of **2c** (X = PF<sub>6</sub>).



KBr pellet (approx. 1.5 mg in 300 mg KBr), 64 scan, 2 cm<sup>-1</sup> resolution

## Supplementary Information

Figure S140. FTIR spectrum of **3** (X = BF<sub>4</sub>).



KBr pellet (approx. 1.5 mg in 300 mg KBr), 64 scan, 2 cm<sup>-1</sup> resolution



## Supplementary Information

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### ICP-MS Operating Conditions

Instrument NexION® 300D (PerkinElmer Inc.)

| Component/Parameter               | Type/Value/Mode                 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Nebulizer                         | Meinhard® glass microconcentric |
| Spray Chamber                     | Glass cyclonic                  |
| Triple Cone Interface<br>Material | Nickel/Aluminum                 |
| Plasma Gas Flow                   | 18.0 L/min                      |
| Auxiliary Gas Flow                | 1.2 L/min                       |
| Nebulizer Gas Flow                | 0.94 L/min                      |
| Sample Uptake Rate                | 250 µL/min                      |
| RF Power                          | 1600 W                          |
| Integration Time                  | 500 – 1500 ms                   |
| Replicate per Sample              | 3                               |
| Mode of Operation                 | Standard                        |

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ICP-MS Results

| Sample Id | Method File                          | Ru 102 (cps) | In 115 (IS) (cps) |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| 1% HNO3   | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 34.4         | 7004842.3         |
| 100 ppb   | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 1767594.3    | 6724956.2         |
| 200 ppb   | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 3998693.5    | 6142891.8         |
| 300 ppb   | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 5700331.1    | 5888536.2         |
| 400 ppb   | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 7651405.7    | 5756162.0         |
| 500 ppb   | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 9437871.7    | 5669121.2         |
| Blank 1%  | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 1070.8       | 5954844.7         |
| AA-48     | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 4268278.5    | 5693382.1         |
| AA-50     | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 5145423.3    | 5432282.3         |
| AA-52     | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 4257227.9    | 5598061.5         |
| AA-56     | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 3959390.7    | 5629185.7         |
| Blank 1%  | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 51317.8      | 5785570.0         |
| AA-48     | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 4273693.0    | 5616528.9         |
| AA-50     | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 5167077.2    | 5451141.8         |
| AA-52     | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 4298873.6    | 5542255.9         |
| AA-56     | C:\NexIONData\Method\Matthias_Ru.mth | 4014735.5    | 5598966.1         |

|              | Run 1 (ppb) | Run 2 (ppb) | average | Abs. error ppb | error (%) | %Ru (theor) | % Ru (exp) | 4% error |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|---------|----------------|-----------|-------------|------------|----------|
| 2a (X = BF4) | 303.431     | 308.792     | 306.112 | 2.680          | 0.875     | 22.61       | 22.65      | 0.91     |
| 2c (X = BF4) | 299.538     | 303.557     | 301.547 | 2.009          | 0.666     | 22.61       | 22.31      | 0.89     |
| 2c (X = PF6) | 313.772     | 319.241     | 316.507 | 2.734          | 0.864     | 22.61       | 23.79      | 0.95     |
| 3            | 308.299     | 308.492     | 308.395 | 0.096          | 0.031     | 16.22       | 18.46      | 0.73     |

Figure S141. Calibration Curve (Ru 102).

