

Supporting Information for

Silver-catalyzed intramolecular hydroamination of alkynes in aqueous media: efficient and regioselective synthesis for fused benzimidazoles

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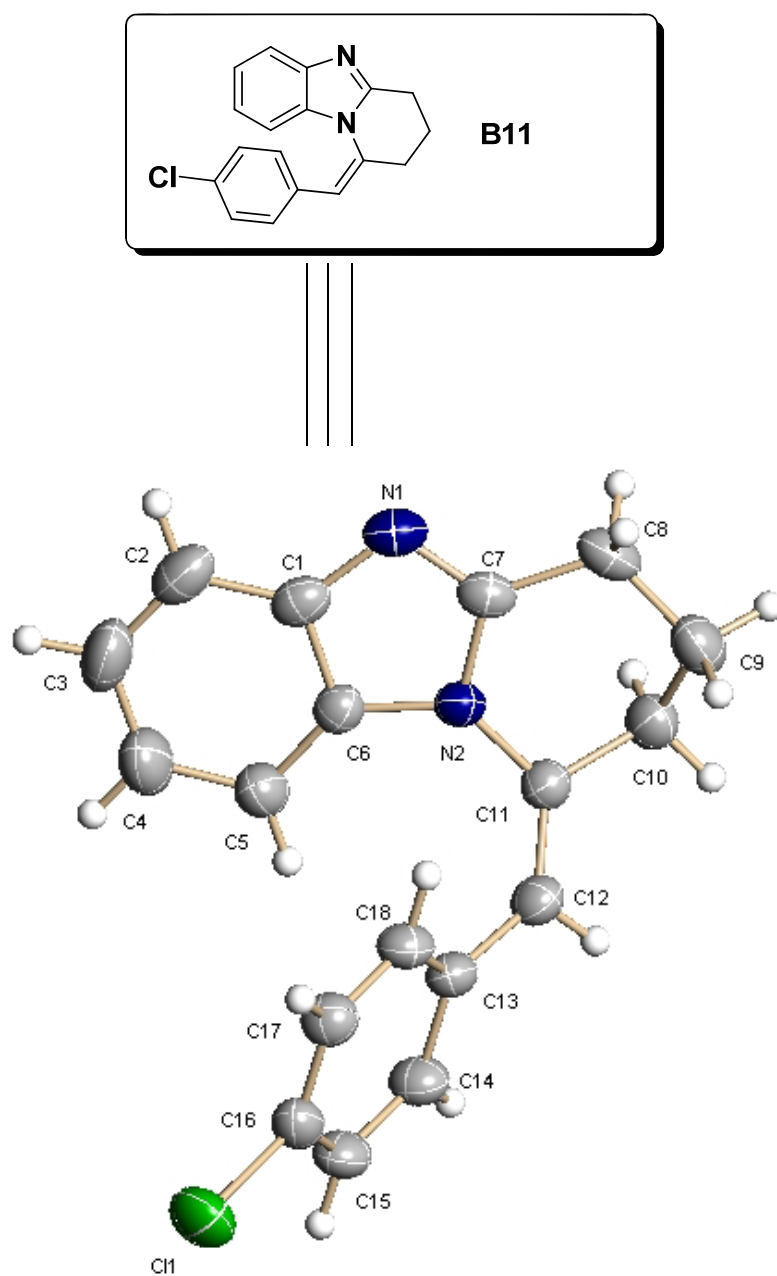


Figure S1. X-ray crystallographic structure of **B11**

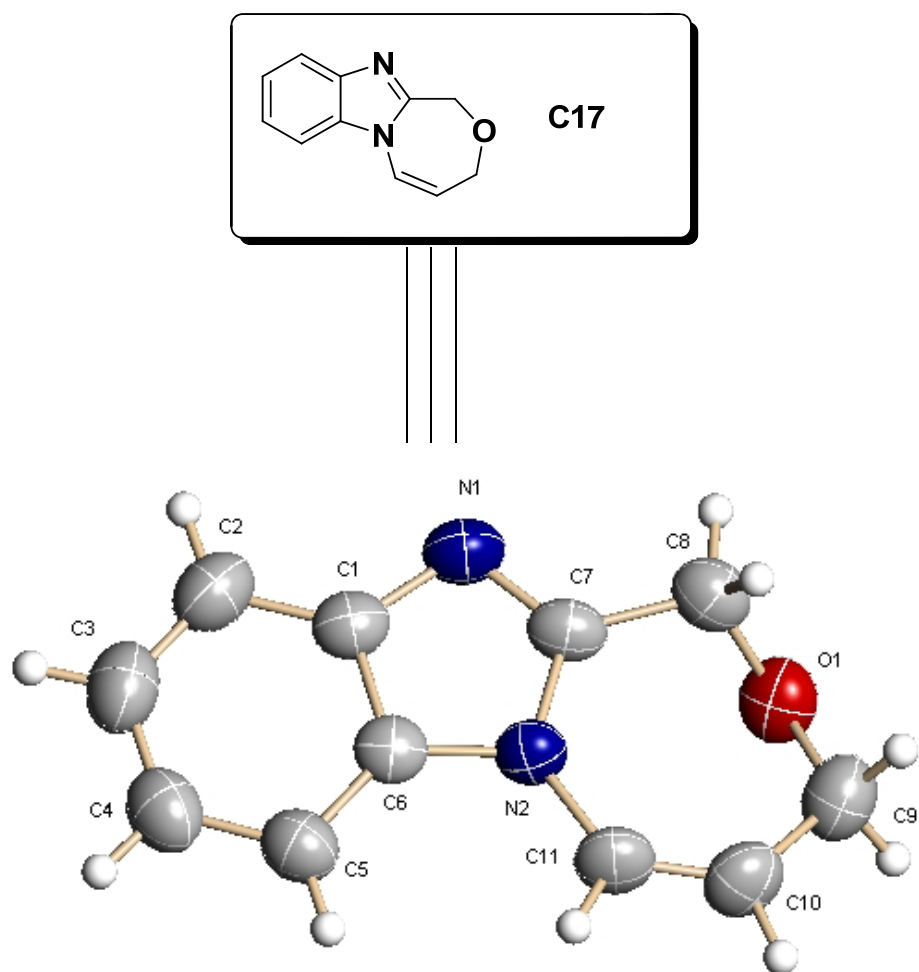


Figure S2. X-ray crystallographic structure of **C17**

The Details of X-ray Crystallographic Structure of B11

Bond precision: C-C = 0.0022 Å Wavelength=0.71073

Cell: a=7.0977(9) b=9.8929(12) c=10.5583(13)
alpha=81.903(2) beta=84.345(2) gamma=84.315(2)

Temperature: 293 K

	Calculated	Reported
Volume	727.67(16)	727.67(16)
Space group	P -1	P-1
Hall group	-P 1	?
Moiety formula	C18 H15 Cl N2	?
Sum formula	C18 H15 Cl N2	C18 H15 Cl N2
Mr	294.77	294.77
Dx,g cm-3	1.345	1.345
Z	2	2
Mu (mm-1)	0.257	0.257
F000	308.0	308.0
F000'	308.39	
h,k,lmax	8,12,13	8,12,13
Nref	2854	2802
Tmin,Tmax	0.923,0.949	0.800,1.000
Tmin'	0.923	

Correction method= EMPIRICAL

Data completeness= 0.982 Theta(max)= 26.000

R(reflections)= 0.0450(2315) wR2(reflections)= 0.1316(2802)

S = 1.075 Npar= 190

CCDC 781700 contains the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be also obtained free of charge from The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via

www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.

The Details of X-ray Crystallographic Structure of C17

Bond precision: C-C = 0.0041 Å Wavelength=0.71073

Cell: a=8.3263(15) b=5.9839(11) c=9.1599(16)
alpha=90 beta=94.155(3) gamma=90

Temperature: 293 K

	Calculated	Reported
Volume	455.18(14)	455.18(14)
Space group	P 21	P2(1)
Hall group	P 2yb	?
Moiety formula	C11 H10 N2 O	?
Sum formula	C11 H10 N2 O	C11 H10 N2 O
Mr	186.21	186.21
Dx,g cm-3	1.359	1.359
Z	2	2
Mu (mm-1)	0.090	0.090
F000	196.0	196.0
F000'	196.08	
h,k,lmax	10,7,11	10,7,11
Nref	1090[1985]	1080
Tmin,Tmax	0.964,0.987	0.822,1.000
Tmin'	0.964	

Correction method= EMPIRICAL

Data completeness= 0.99/0.54 Theta(max)= 27.000

R(reflections)= 0.0421(844) wR2(reflections)= 0.0942(1080)

S = 0.925 Npar= 127

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General Information

Commercially available reagents and solvents were used without further purification. Column chromatography was carried out on silica gel. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were obtained on Varian Mercury-300 and/or Varian Mercury-400 spectrometers (TMS as IS). Chemical shifts were reported in parts per million (ppm, δ) downfield from tetramethylsilane. Proton coupling patterns are described as singlet (s), doublet (d), triplet (t), quartet (q), multipet (m) and broad (br). Low- and high-resolution mass spectra (LRMS and HRMS) were measured on Finnigan MAT 95 spectrometer.

General Procedure for Synthesis of B1-B27 (C27)

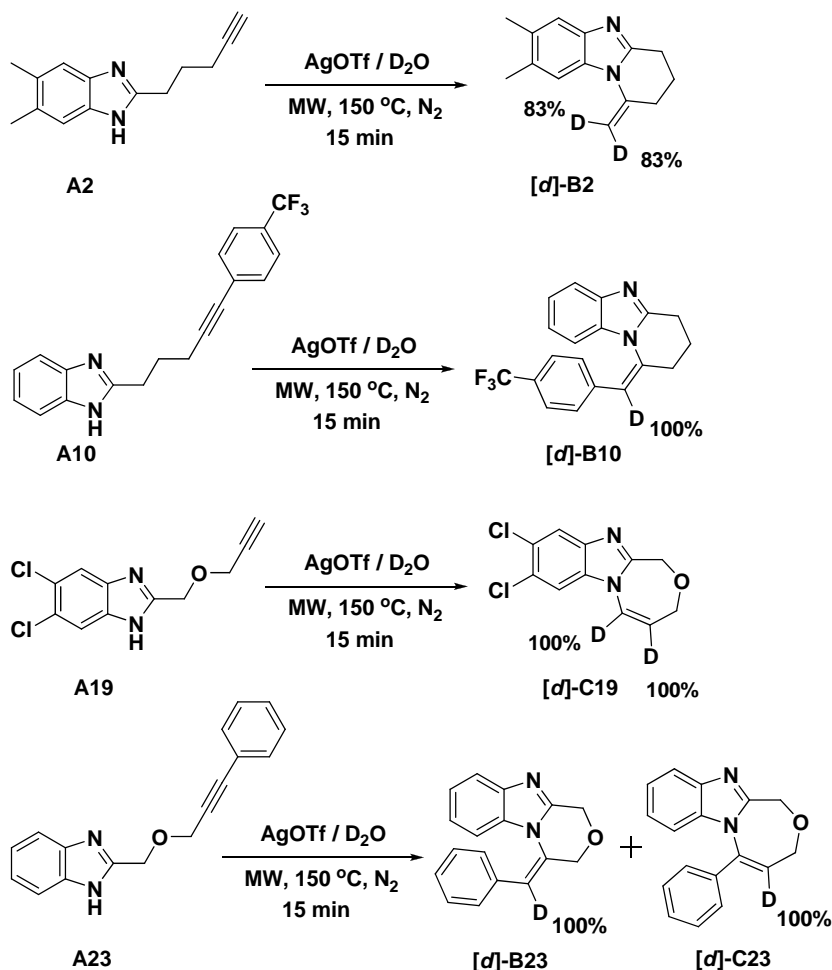
Classical method using a thermostate oil bath (Method A)

A mixture of **A** (0.40 mmol), AgOTf (0.02 mmol) was stirred in water (3-5 mL) under N_2 . The vial was sealed and the mixture was then stirred at 80 °C with oil heating for 8-60 h. After the reaction was cooled to ambient temperature, the crude reaction mixture was extracted three times with EA (15 mL \times 3). The combined organic phase was wash with saturated NaHCO_3 solution, brine, dried with Na_2SO_4 and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography on combiflash to provide the desired product **B**.

Microwave method (Method B)

A mixture of **A** (0.40 mmol), AgOTf (0.02 mmol) was stirred in water (3-5 mL) under N_2 . The vial was sealed and the mixture was then irradiated for 15 min at 150 °C. After the reaction was cooled to ambient temperature, the crude reaction mixture was extracted three times with EA (15 mL \times 3). The combined organic phase was wash with saturated NaHCO_3 solution, brine, dried with Na_2SO_4 and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography on combiflash to provide the desired product **B(C)**.

Labeling studies with deuterated solvents.



A mixture of substituted benzimidazoles **A2**, **A10**, **A19**, or **A23** (0.1 mmol), AgOTf (0.005 mmol) was stirred in D_2O (2 mL) under N_2 atmosphere, respectively. The vial was sealed and the mixture was then irradiated for 15 min at 150 °C. After the reaction was cooled to ambient temperature, the crude reaction mixture was extracted three times with EA (15 mL \times 3). The combined organic phase was wash with saturated NaHCO_3 solution, brine, dried with Na_2SO_4 and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography on combiflash to provide the desired products **[d]-B2**, **[d]-B10**, **[d]-C19**, **[d]-B23** and **[d]-C23** which were analyzed using ^1H NMR spectroscopy to determine the content of the deuterium incorporation.

[d]-B2: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 2.00-2.08 (m, 2H, CH_2), 2.35 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.37 (s, 3H, CH_3), 2.61-2.65 (m, 2H, CH_2), 3.11 (t, 2H, CH_2), 7.44-7.45 (m, 2H, ArH);

LC-MS: m/z 215 $[M + H]^+$.

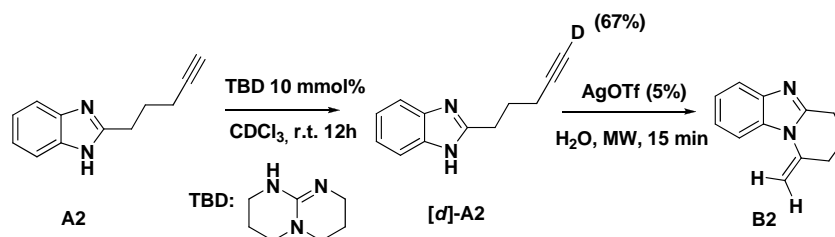
[d]-B10: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 2.24-2.28 (m, 2H, CH_2), 2.69 (t, 2H, CH_2), 3.31 (t, 2H, CH_2), 6.27-6.30 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.80-6.86 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.04-7.07 (d, 2H, ArH), 7.11-7.16 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.35-7.38 (d, 2H, ArH), 7.64-7.66 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H, ArH); LC-MS: m/z 330 $[M + H]^+$.

[d]-C19: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 4.61 (s, 2H, CH_2), 4.94 (s, 2H, CH_2), 7.48 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.79 (s, 1H, ArH); LC-MS: m/z 257 $[M + H]^+$.

[d]-B23: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 4.46 (s, 2H, CH_2), 5.24 (s, 2H, CH_2), 6.22-6.25 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.81-6.86 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.01-7.16 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.19-7.23 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.67-7.70 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H, ArH); LC-MS: m/z 264 $[M + H]^+$.

[d]-C23: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 4.18 (s, 2H, CH_2), 4.94 (s, 2H, CH_2), 6.50-6.53 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.01-7.07 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.23-7.28 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.34-7.49 (m, 5H, ArH), 7.80-7.83 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H, ArH); LC-MS: m/z 264 $[M + H]^+$.

Labeling studies with deuterated starting materials.



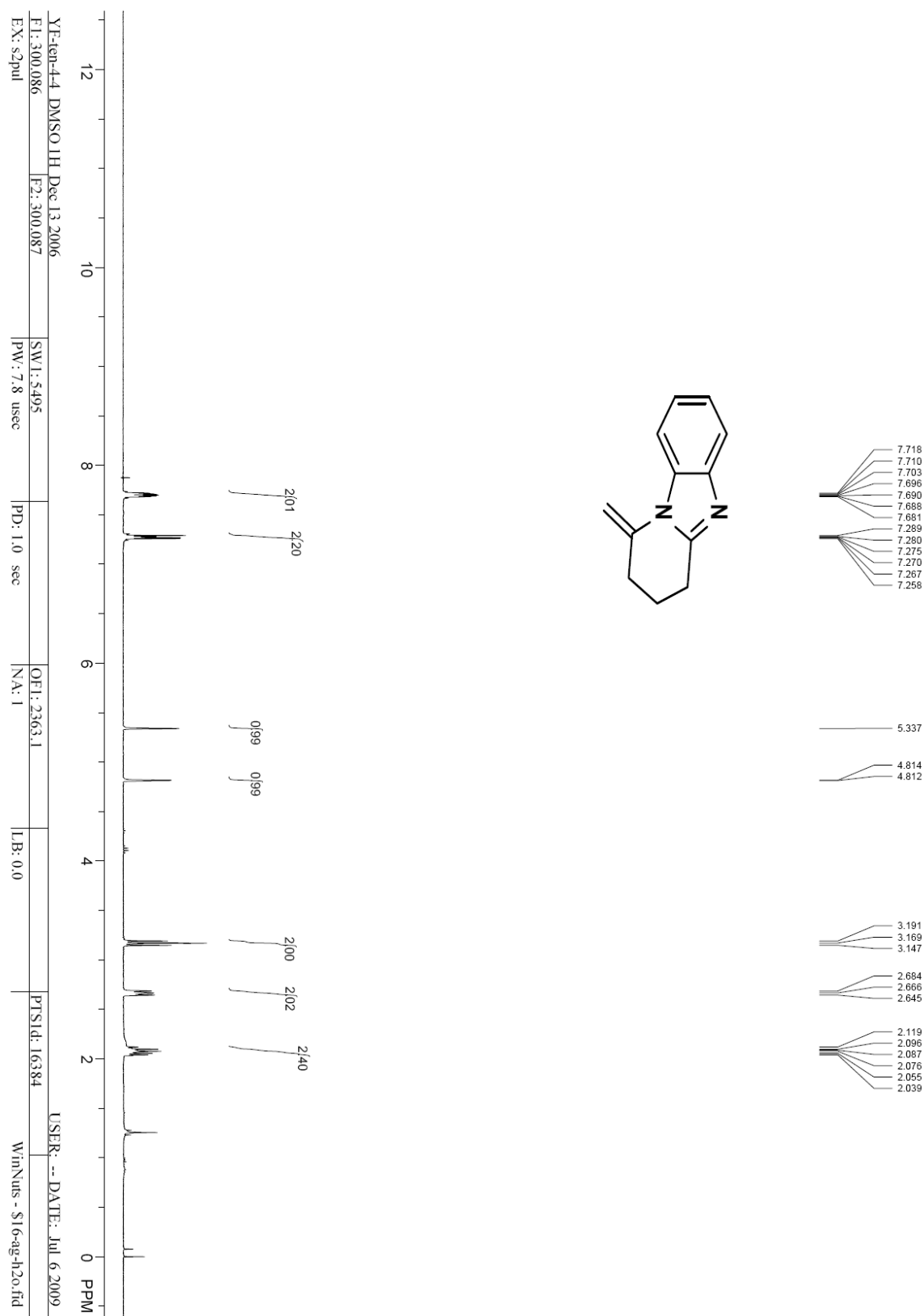
Deuterated 5,6-Dimethyl-2-(pent-4-ynyl)-1*H*-benzo[*d*]imidazole [***d***]-**A2** was prepared in 85% yield with 67% deuterium incorporation at the terminal alkynyl site according to the method reported in ref S(1). A mixture of [***d***]-**A2** (0.1 mmol), AgOTf (0.005 mmol) was stirred in H₂O (2 mL) under N₂ atmosphere. The vial was sealed and the mixture was then irradiated for 15 min at 150 °C. After the reaction was cooled to ambient temperature, the crude reaction mixture was extracted three times with EA (15 mL × 3). The combined organic phase was wash with saturated NaHCO₃ solution, brine, dried with Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography on combiflash to provide the desired product **B2**, which was analyzed using ¹H NMR spectroscopy to determine the content of the deuterium incorporation.

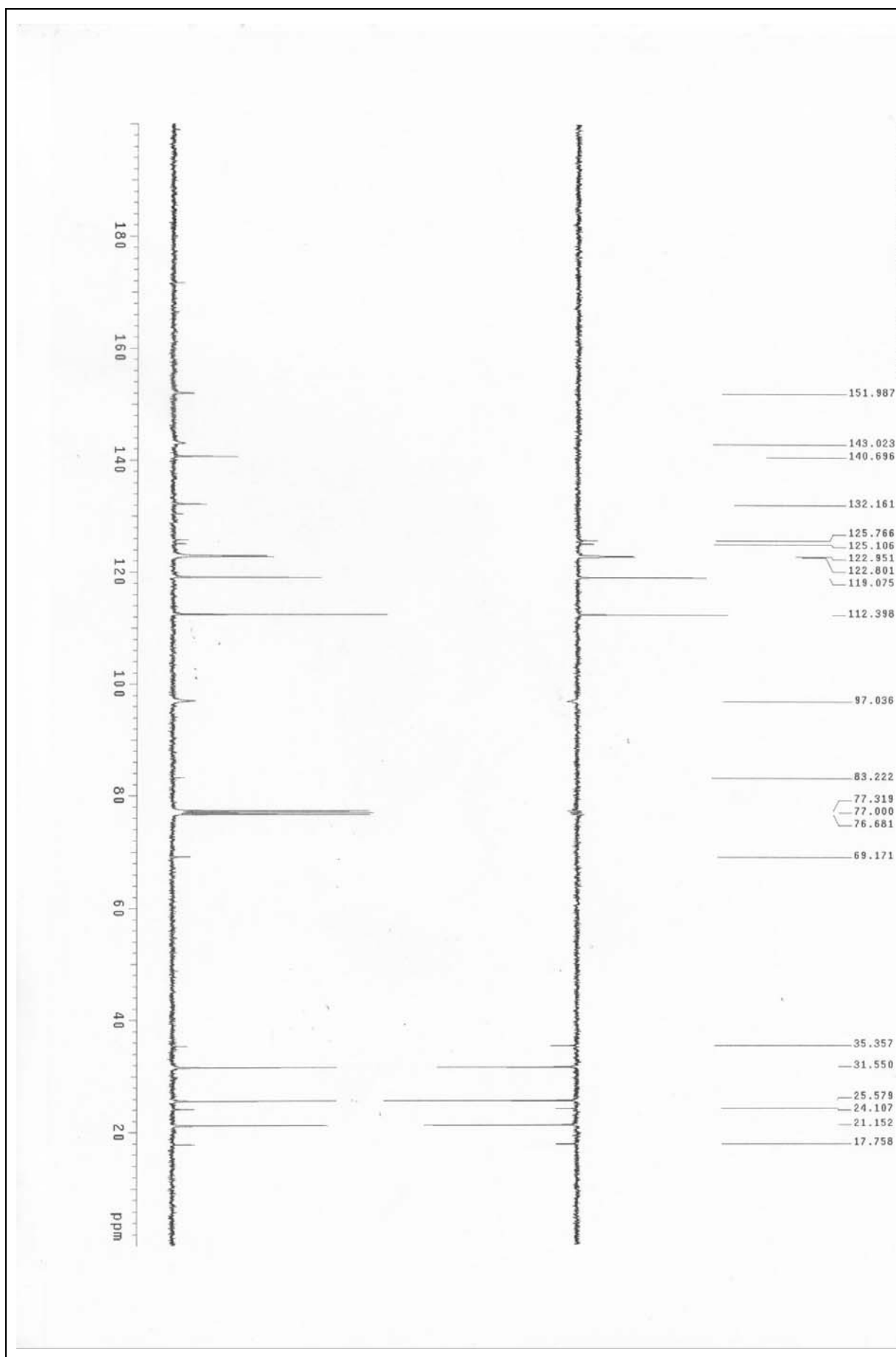
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Ref S(1). Sabot, C.; Kumar, K. A.; Antherume, C.; Mioskowski, C. *J. Org. Chem.* **2007**, 72, 5001-5007.

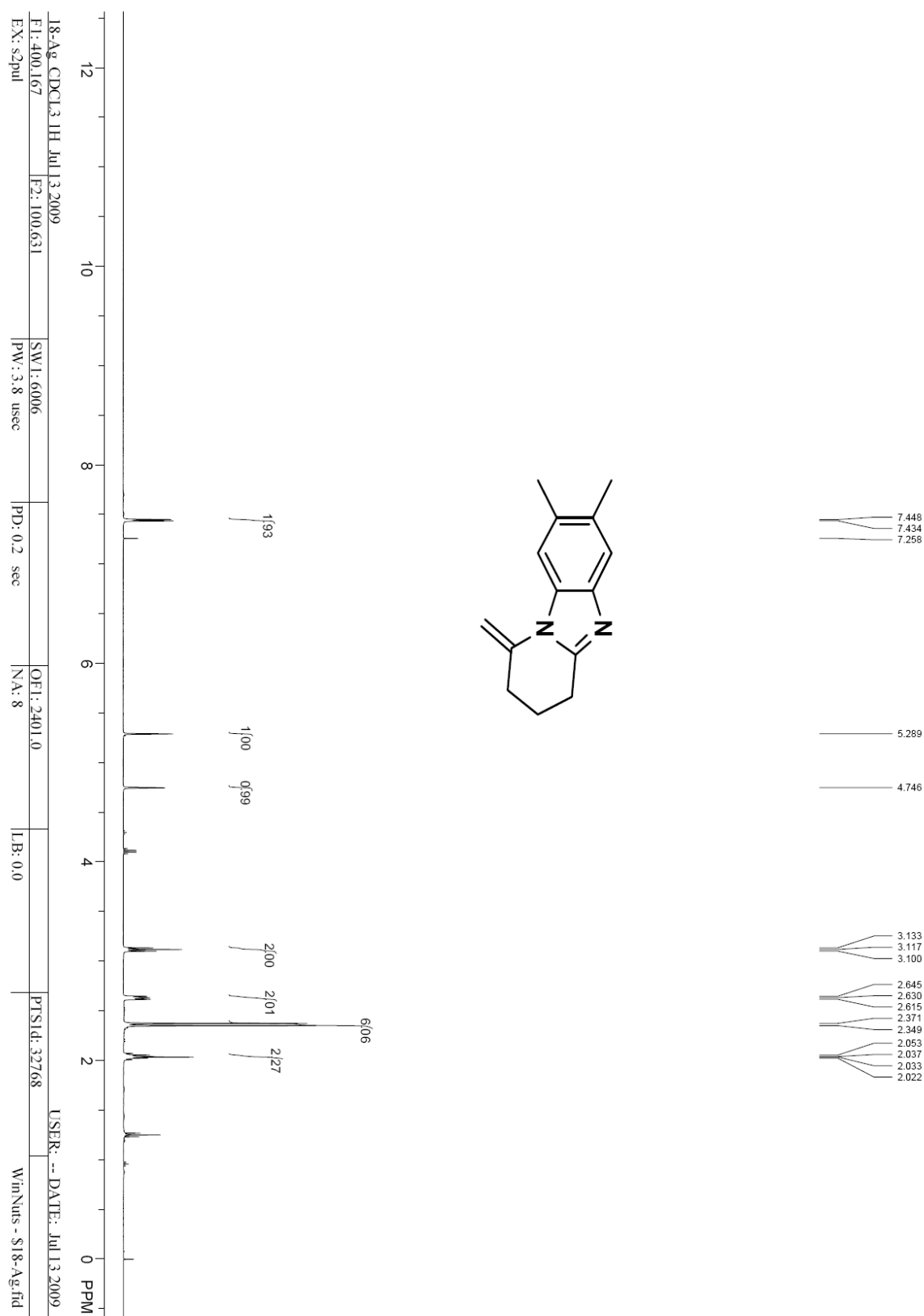
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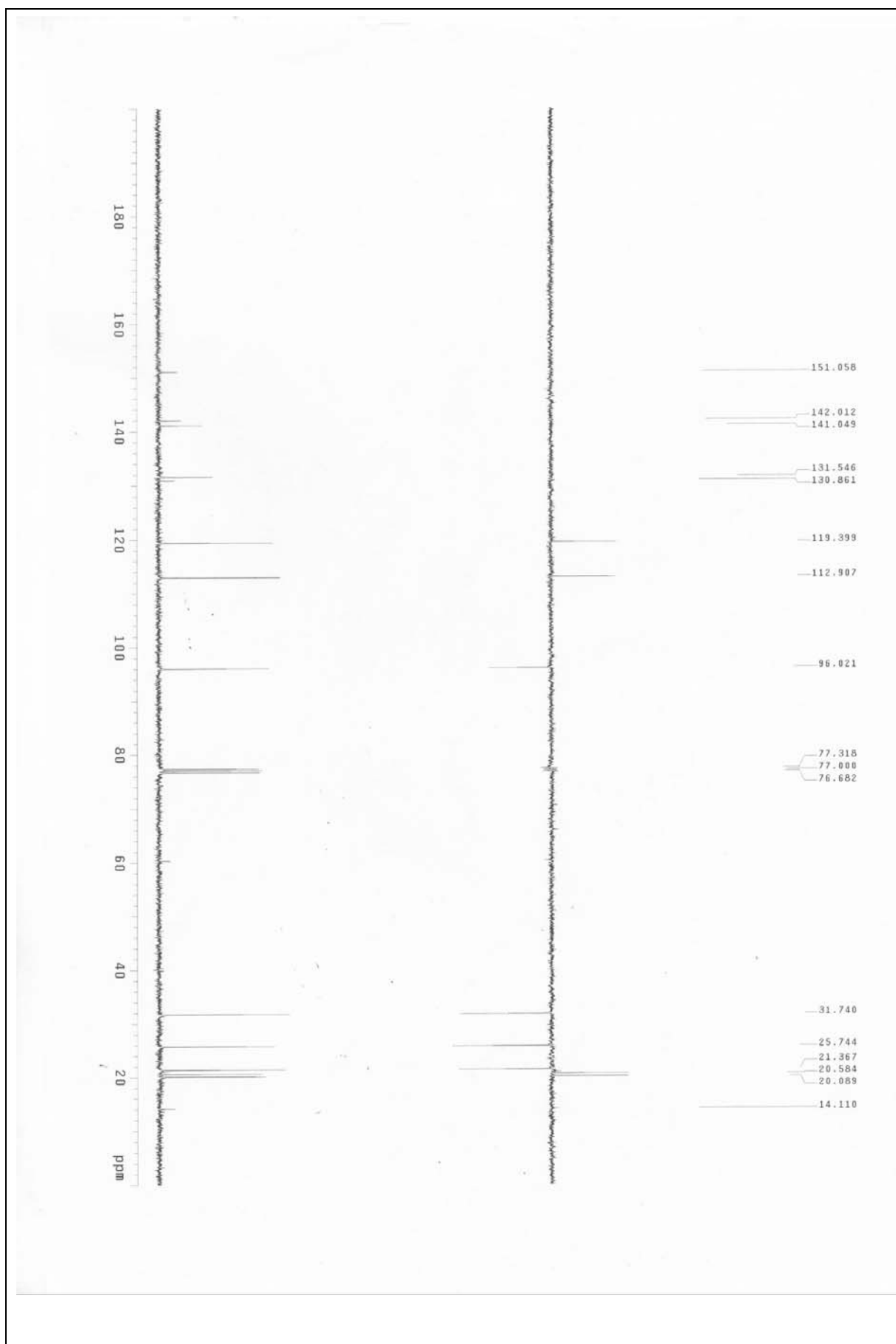
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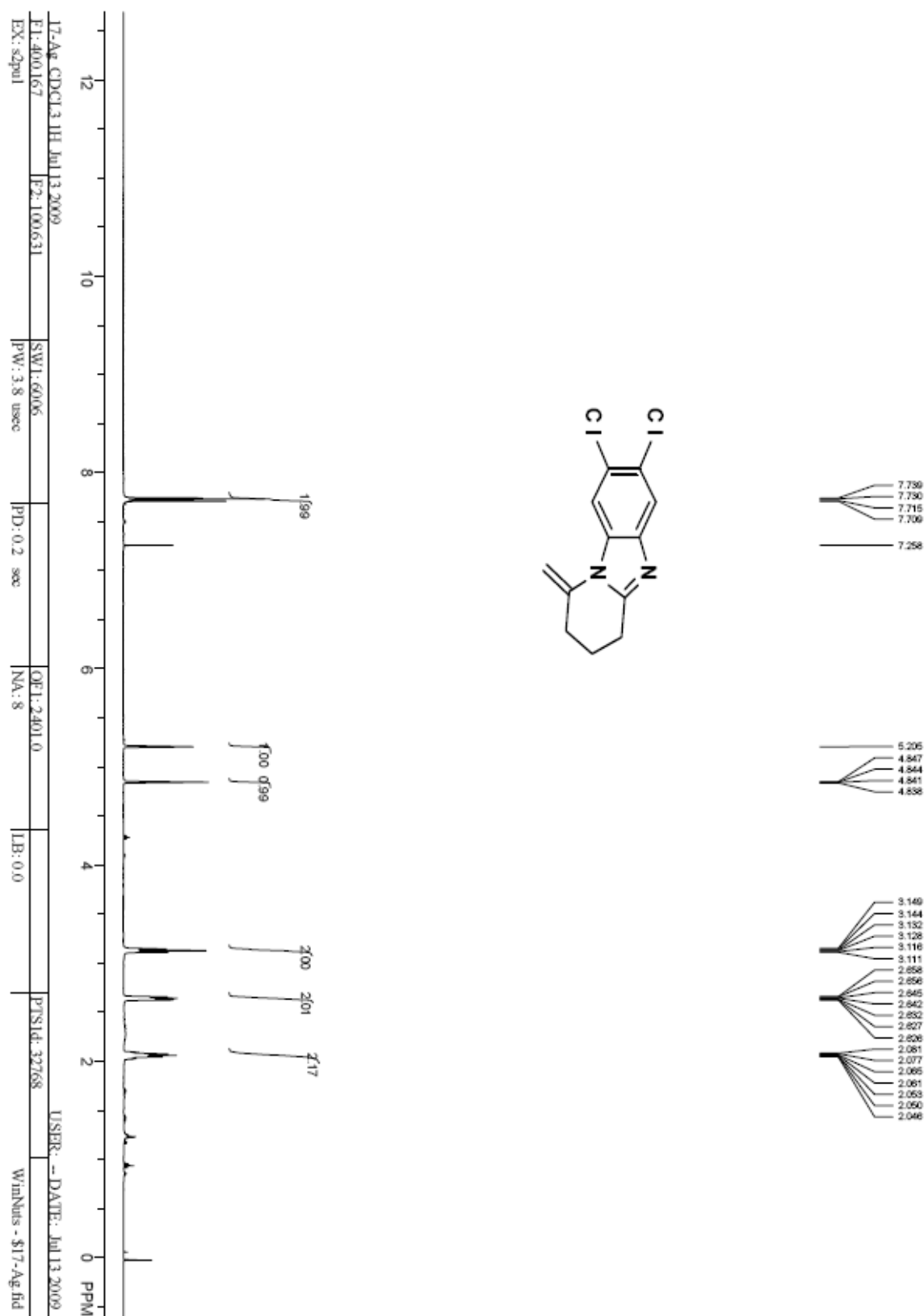


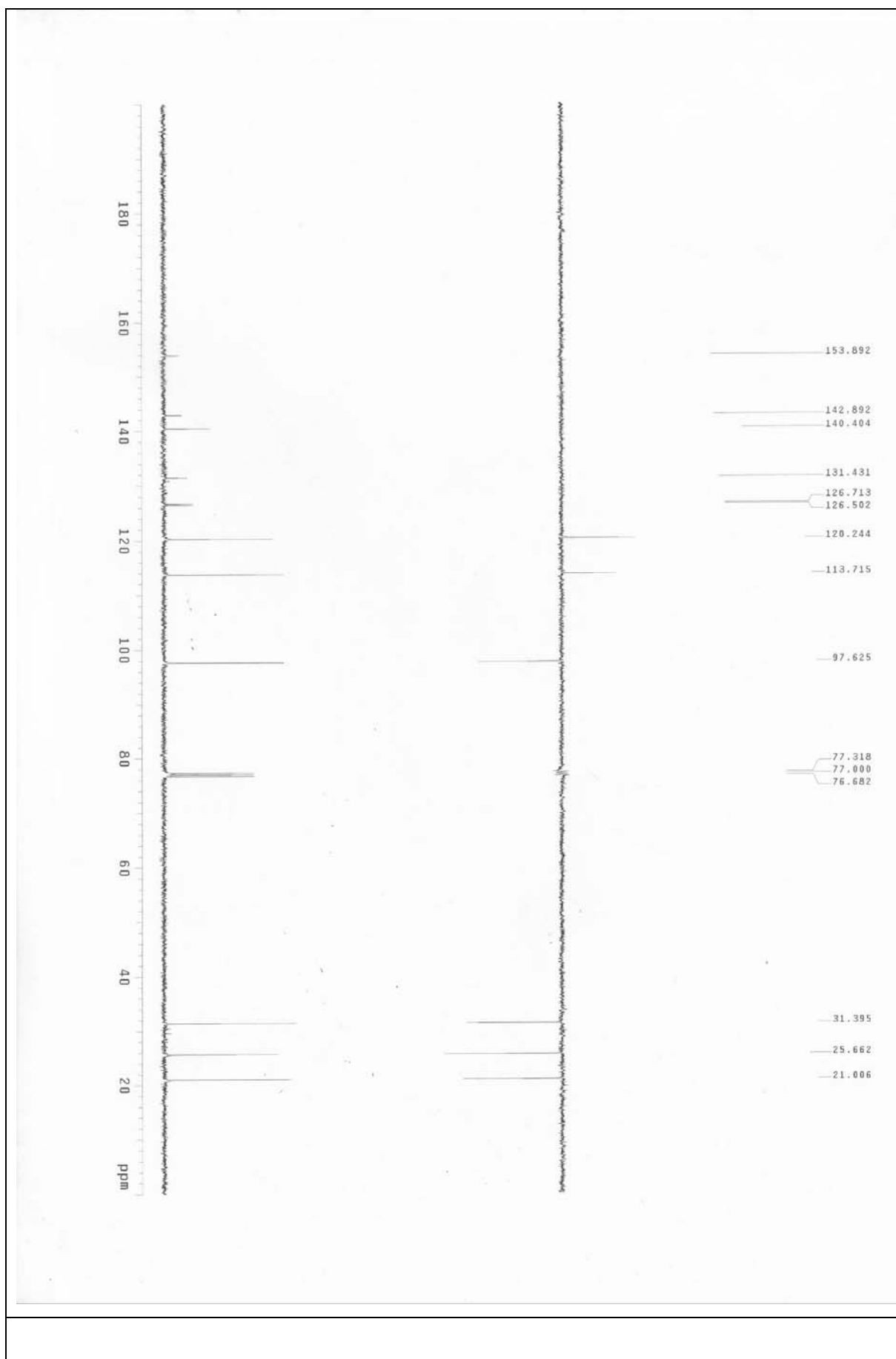
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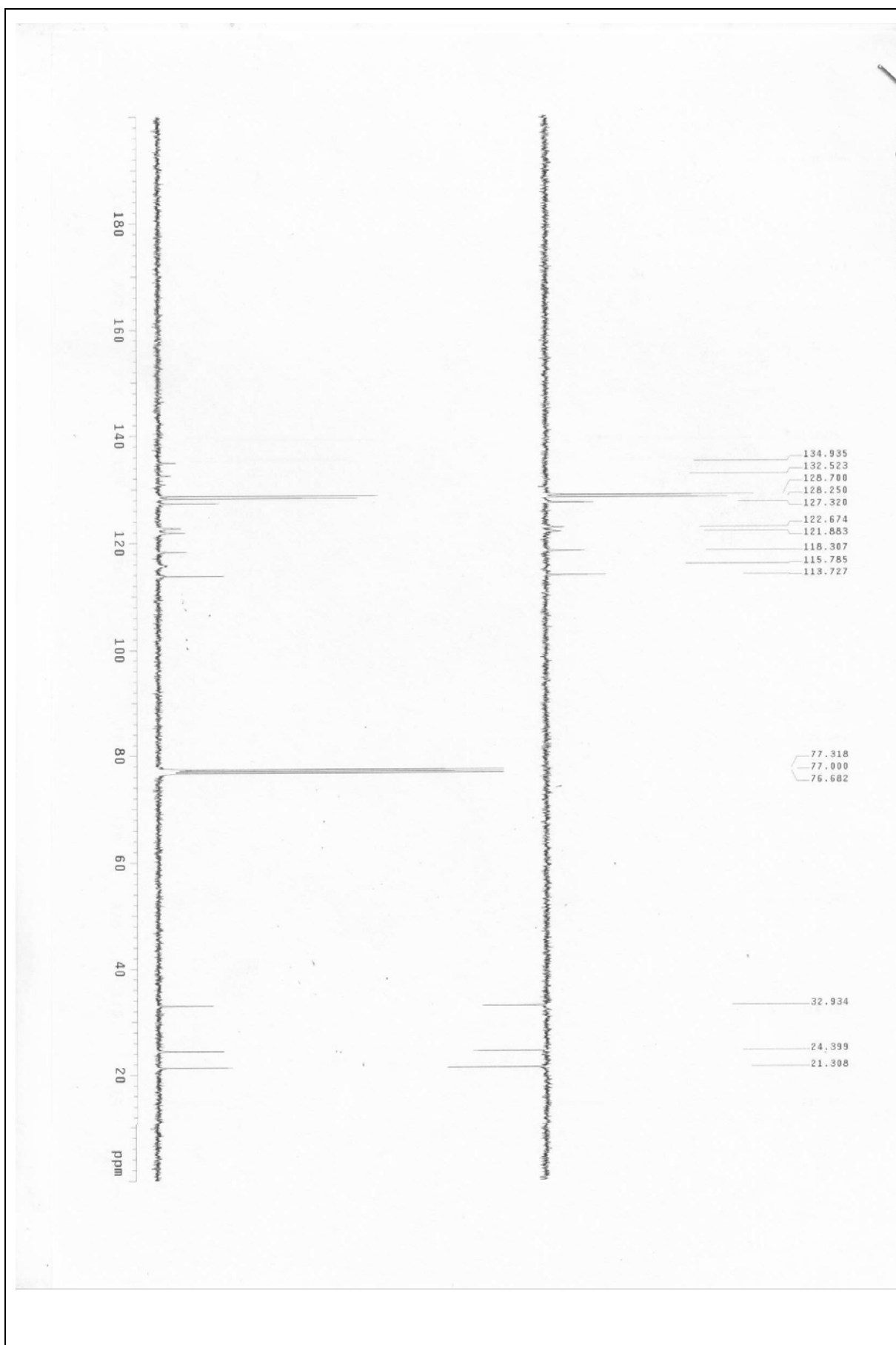




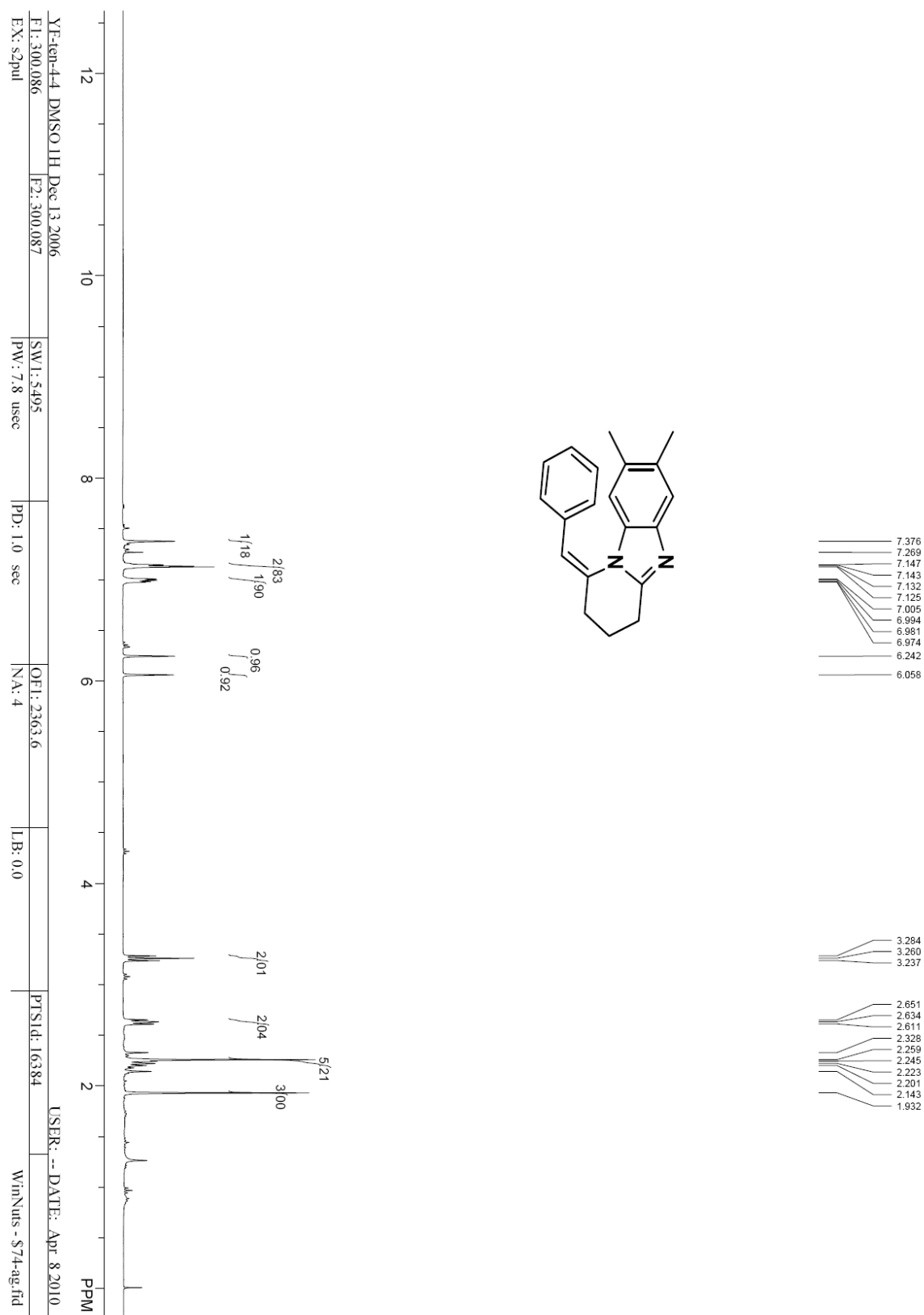
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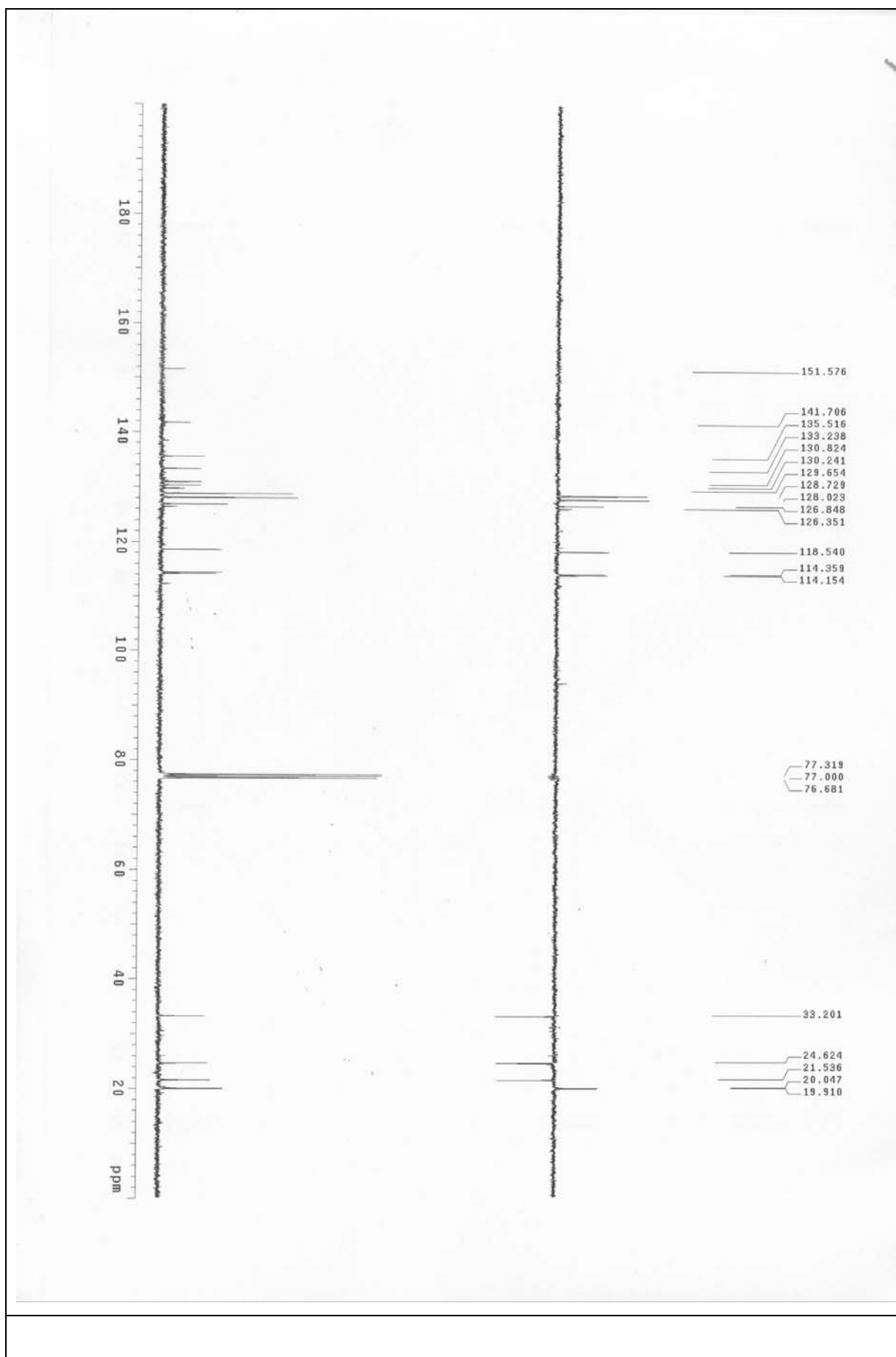




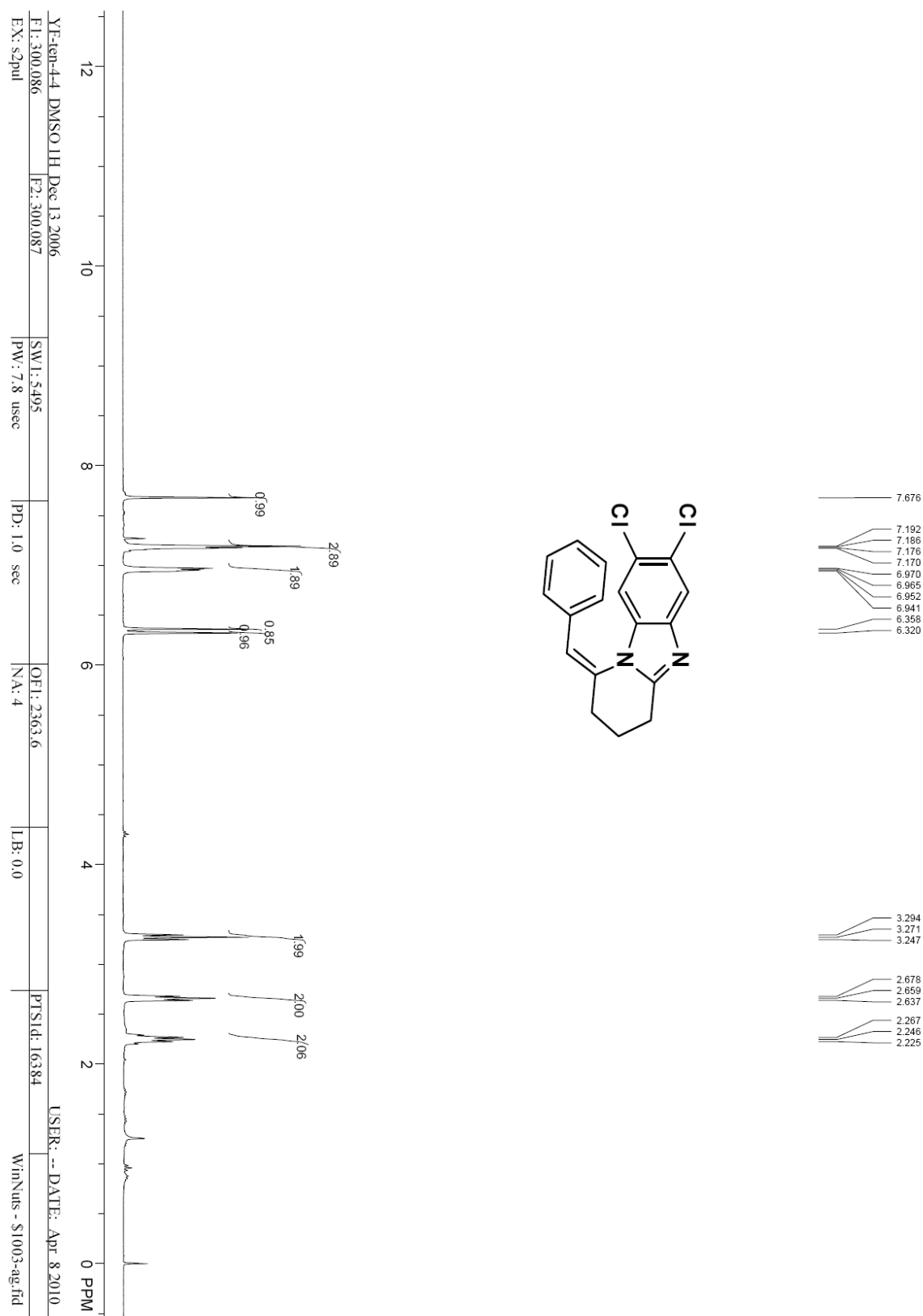


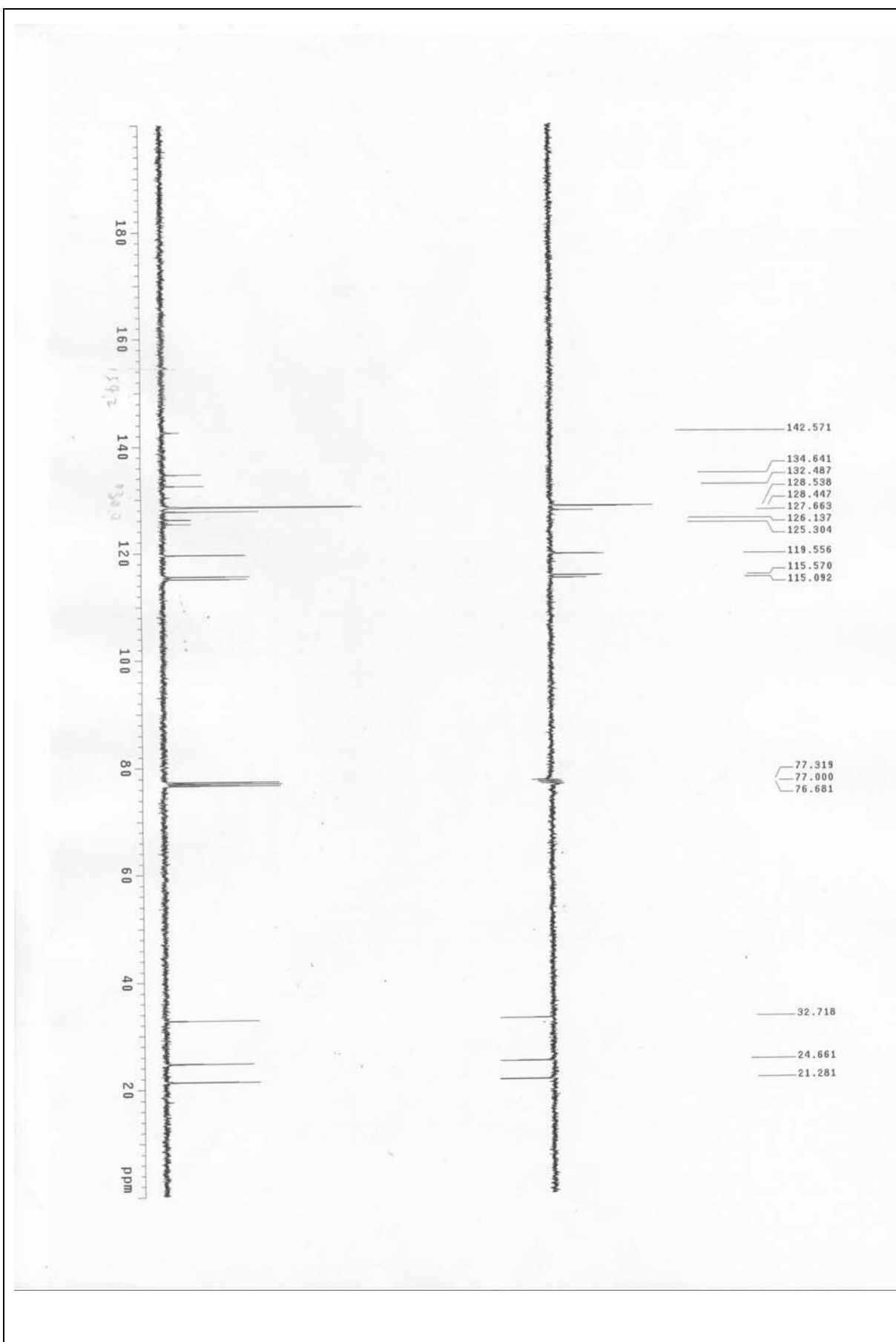
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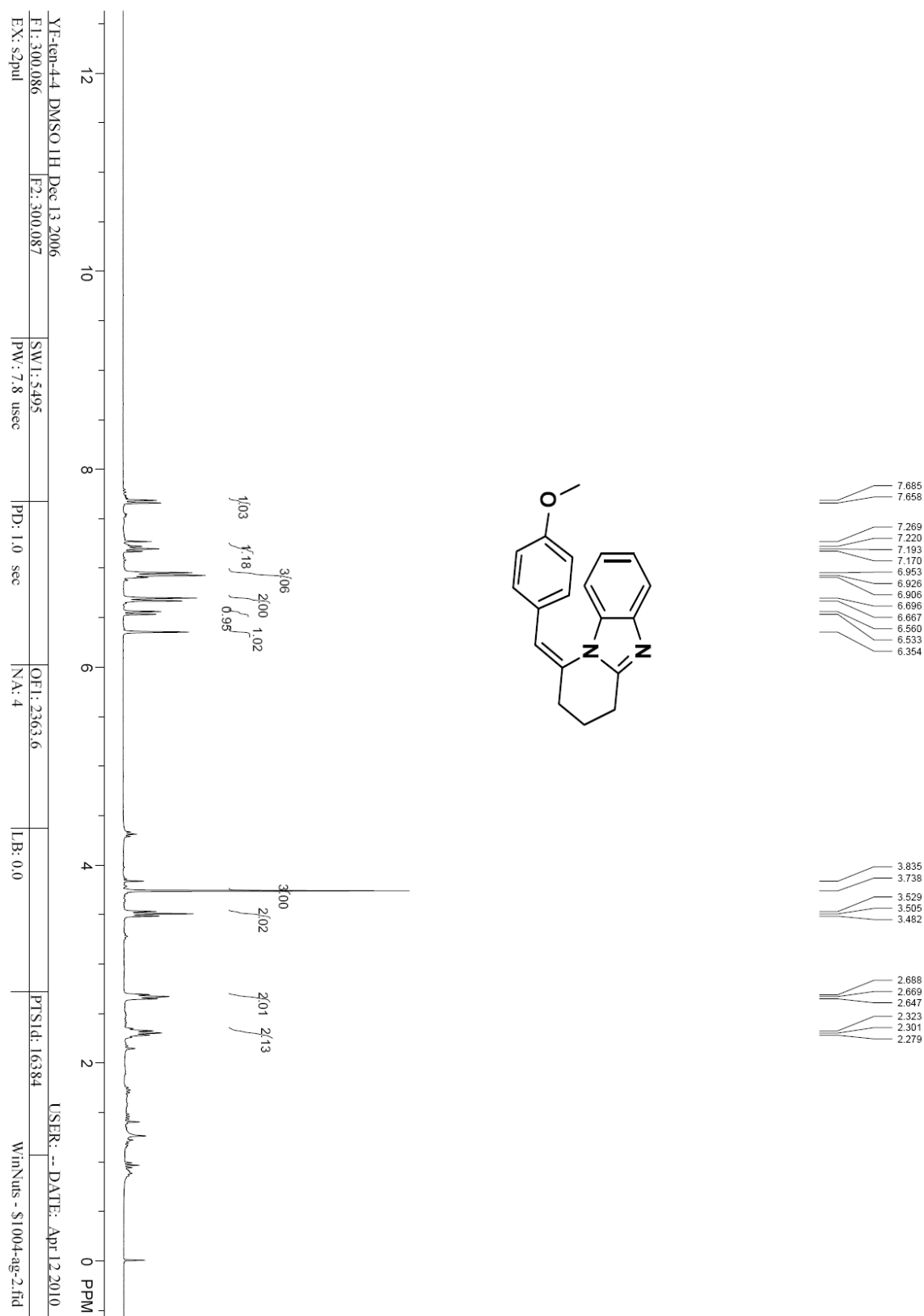


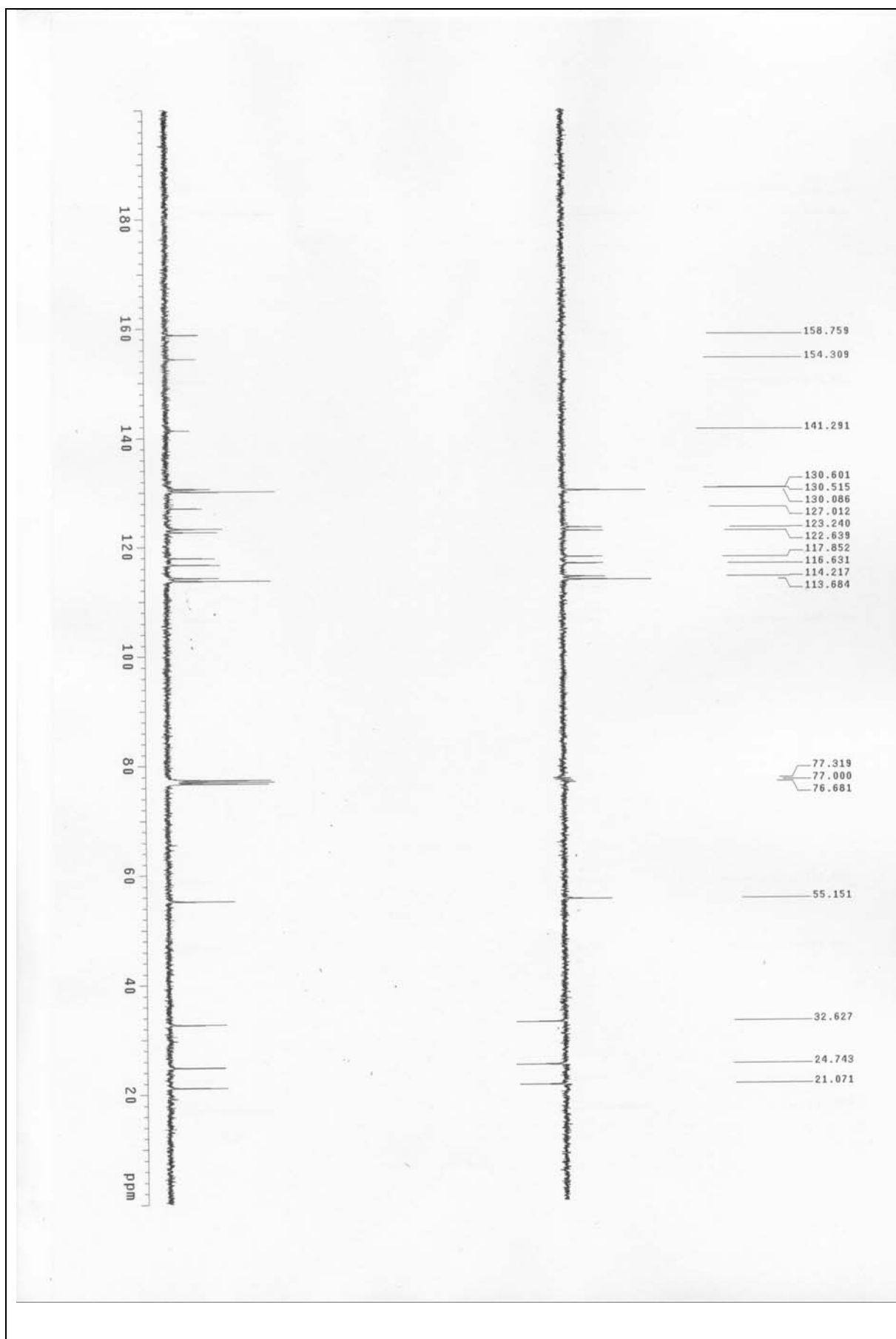
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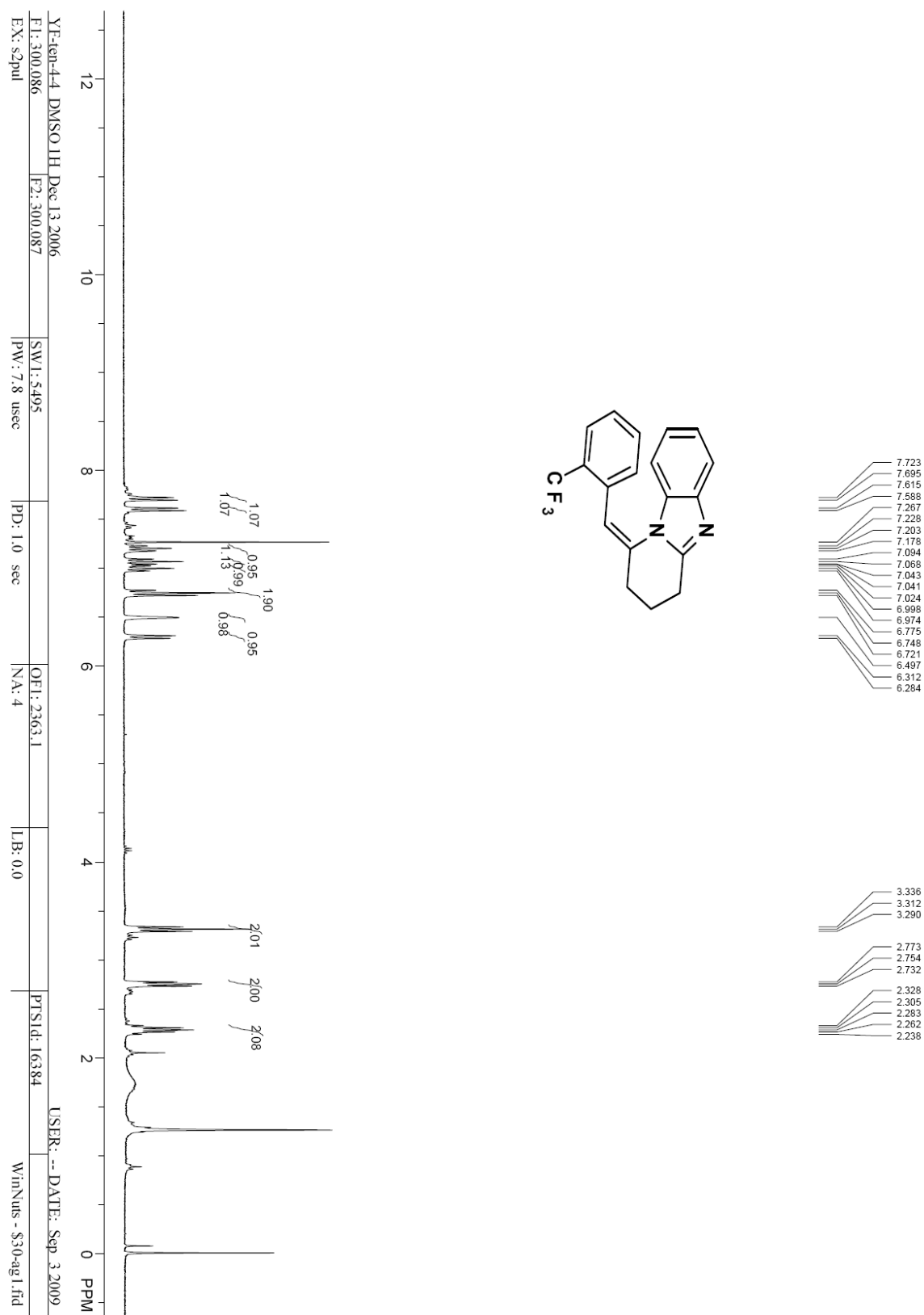


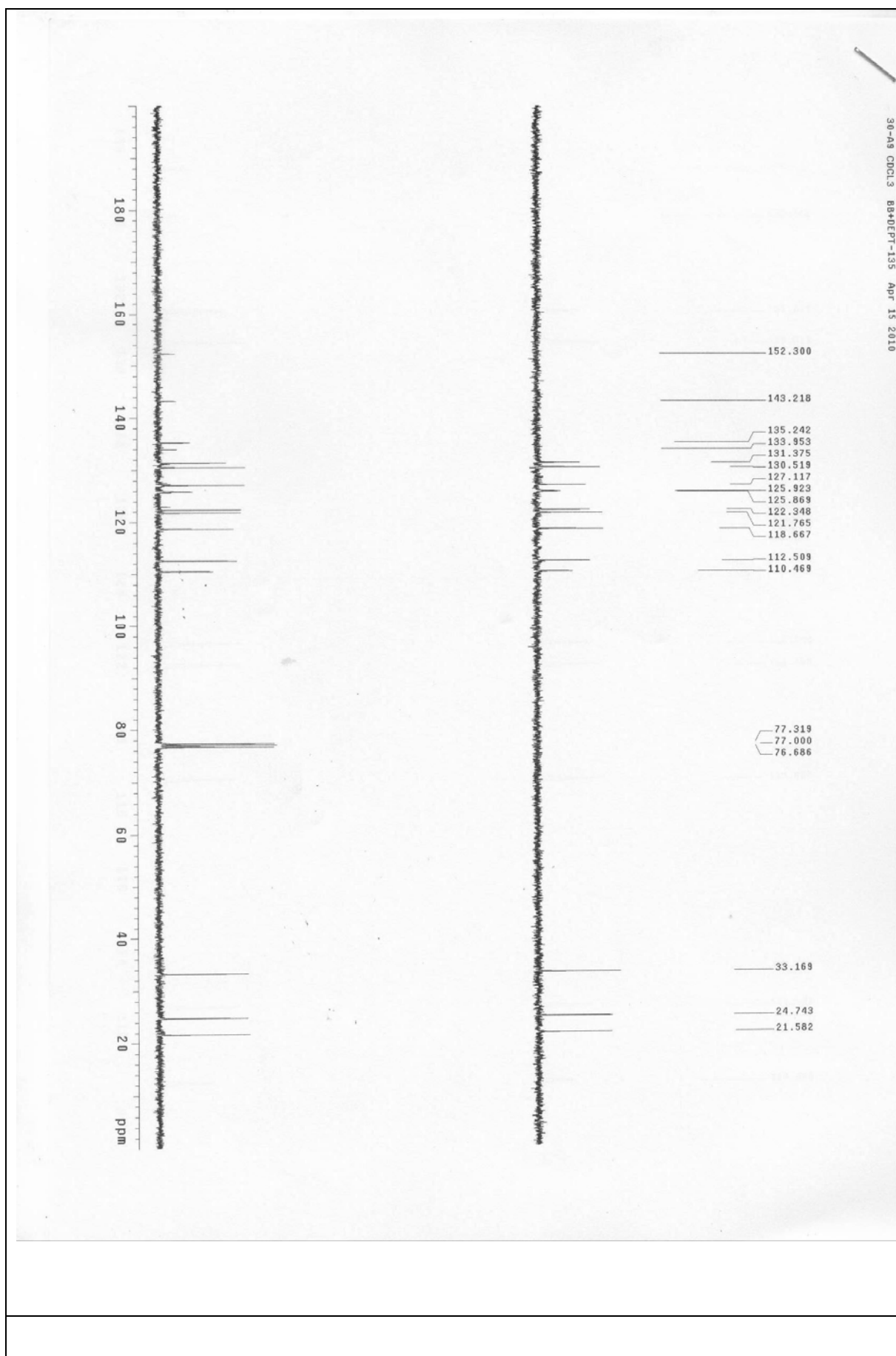
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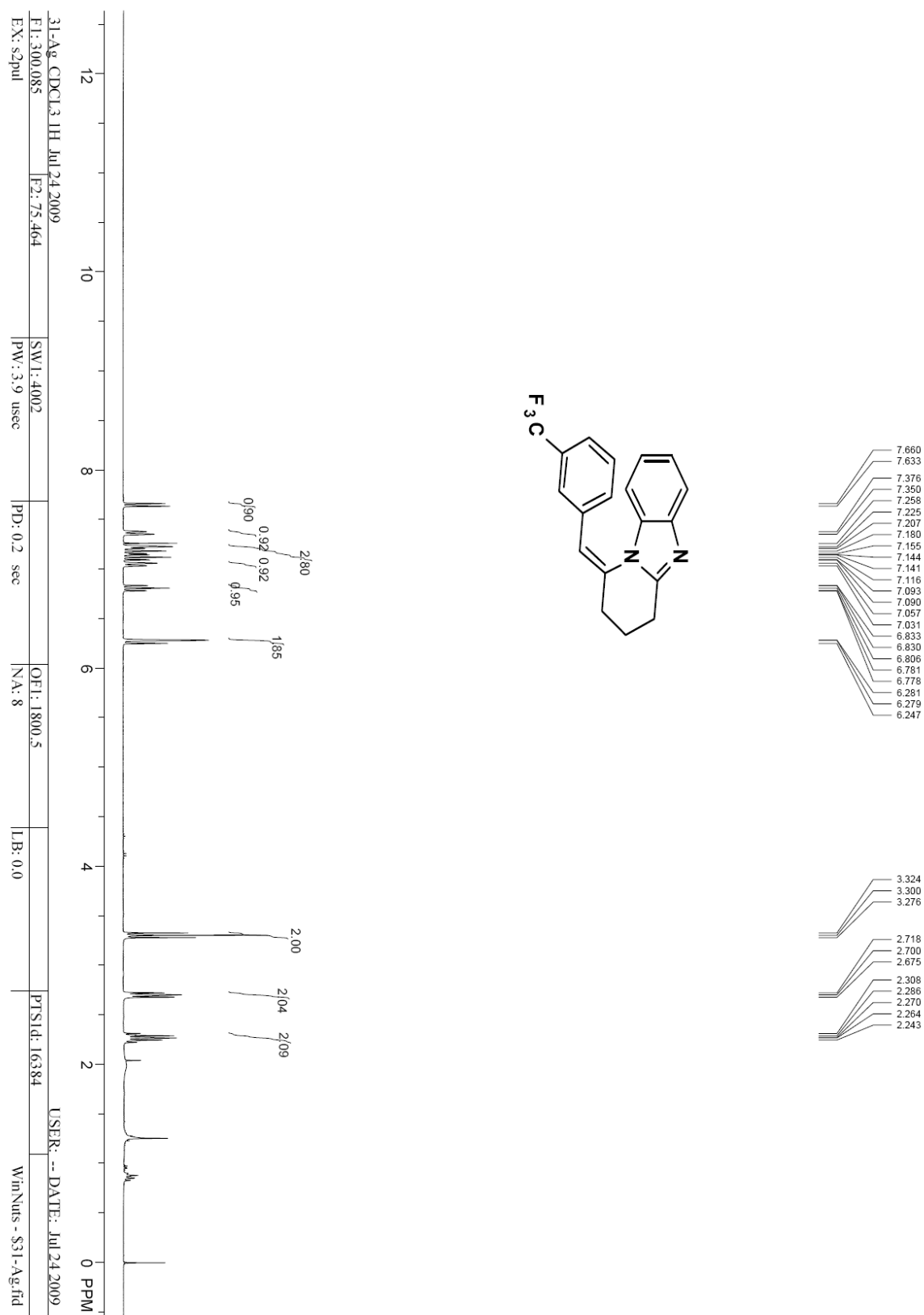


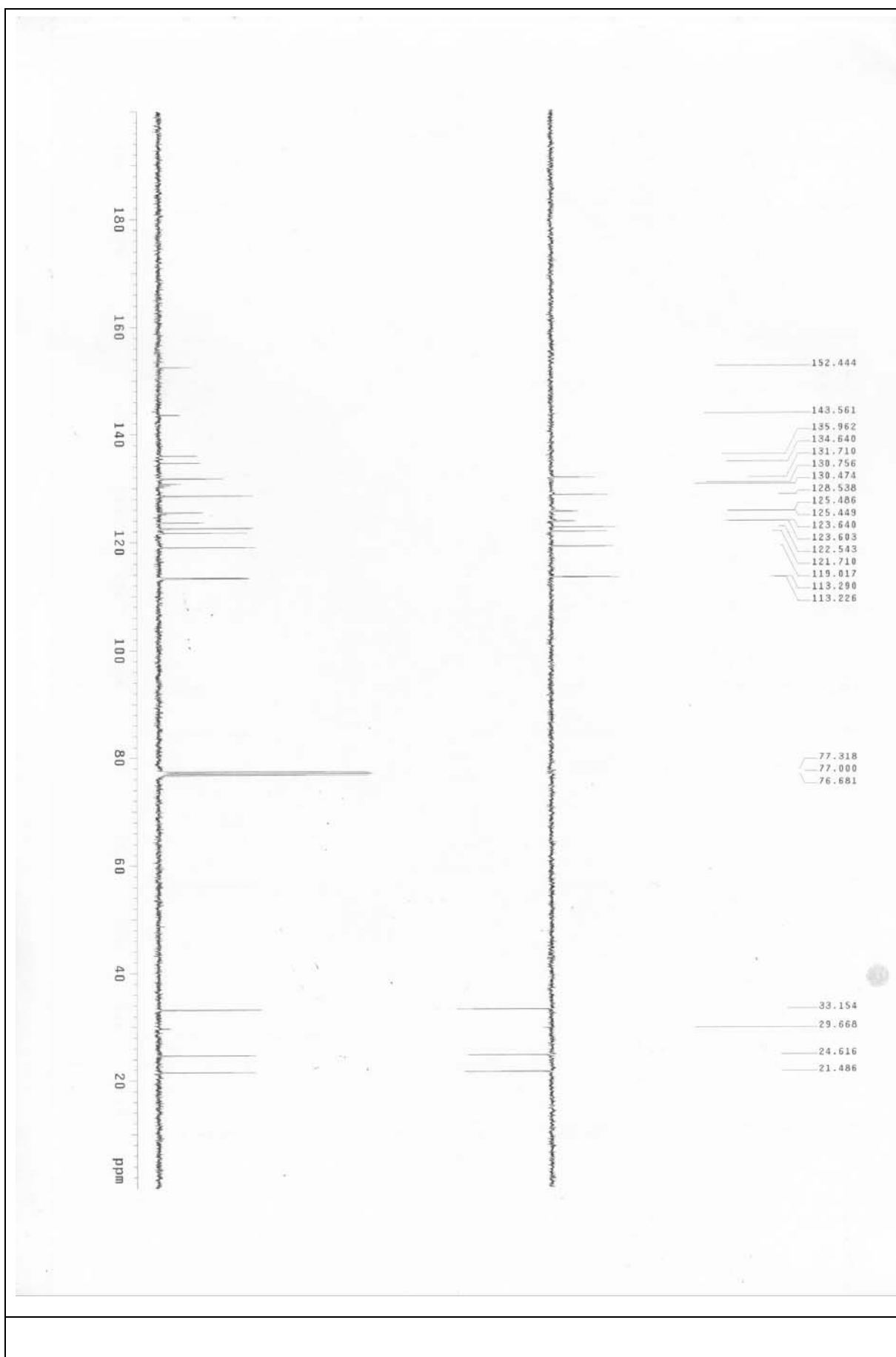
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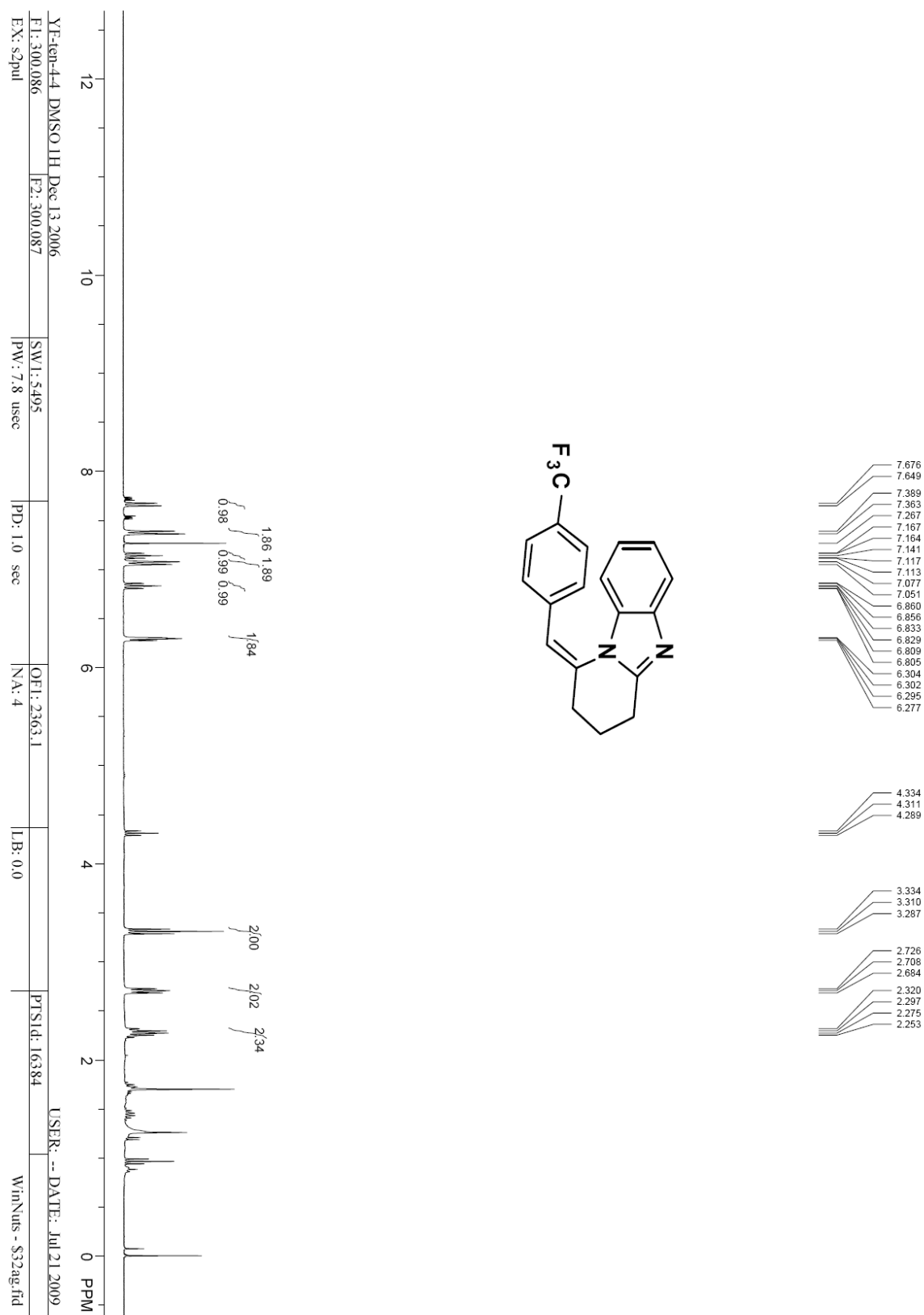


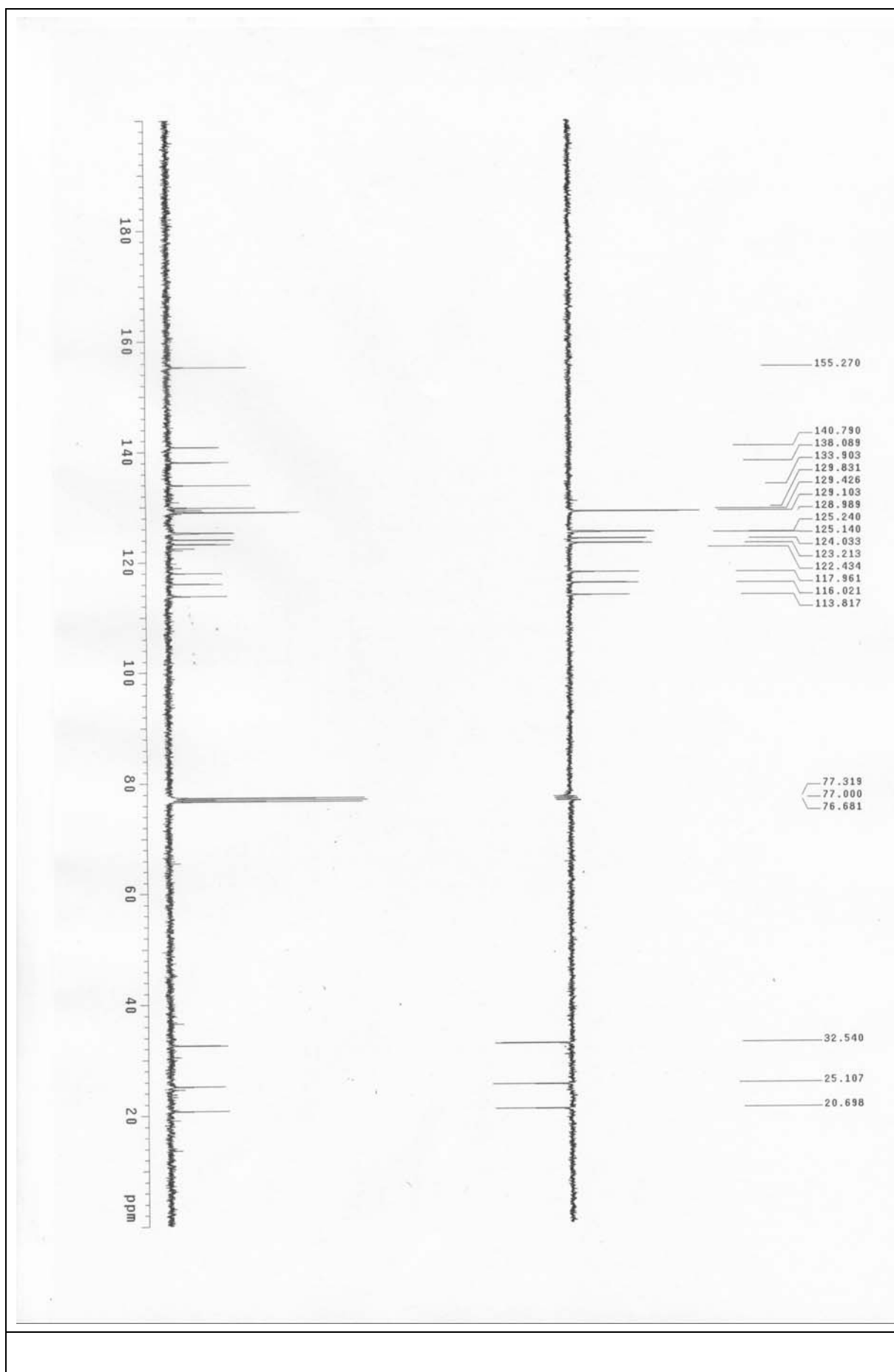
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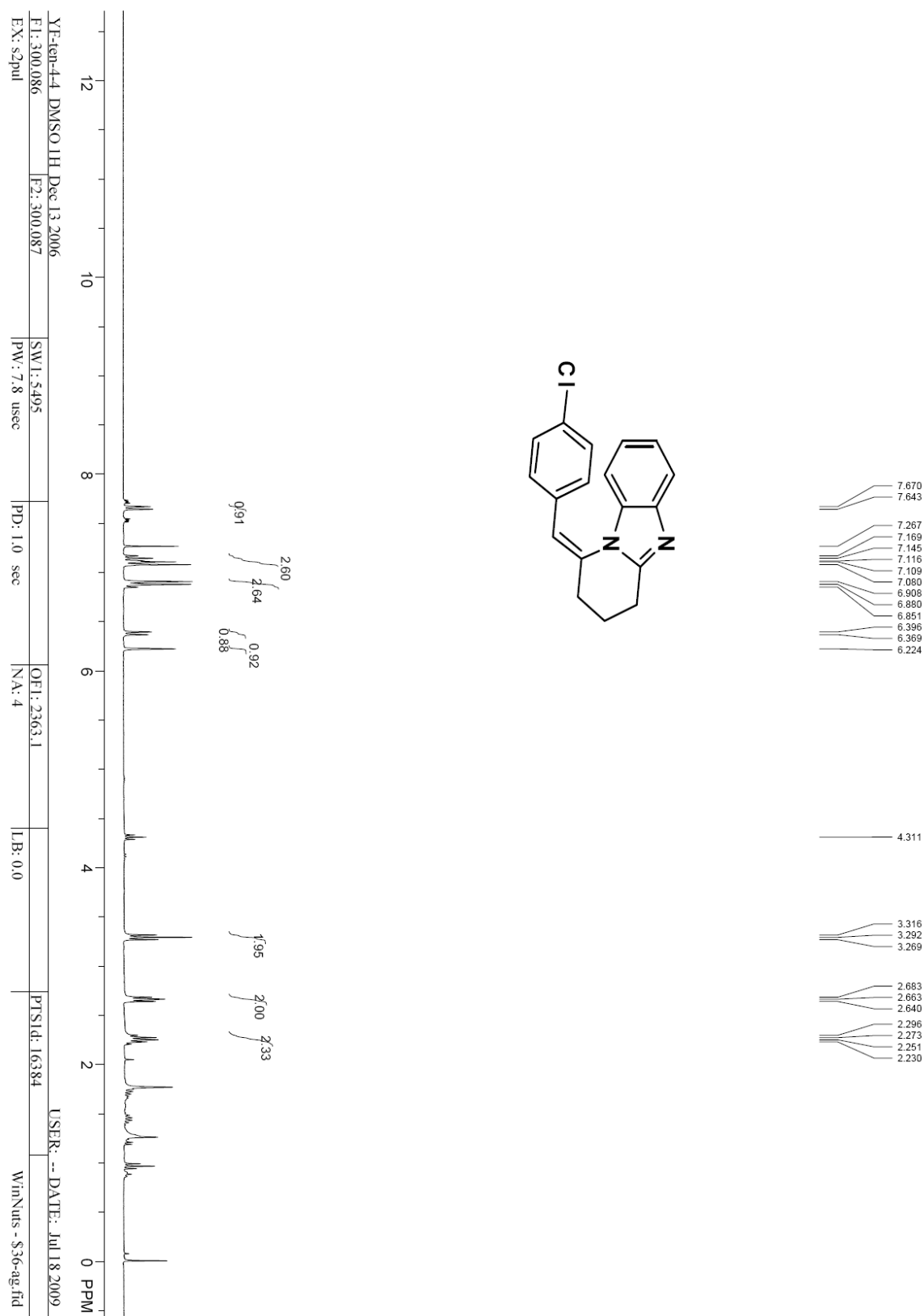


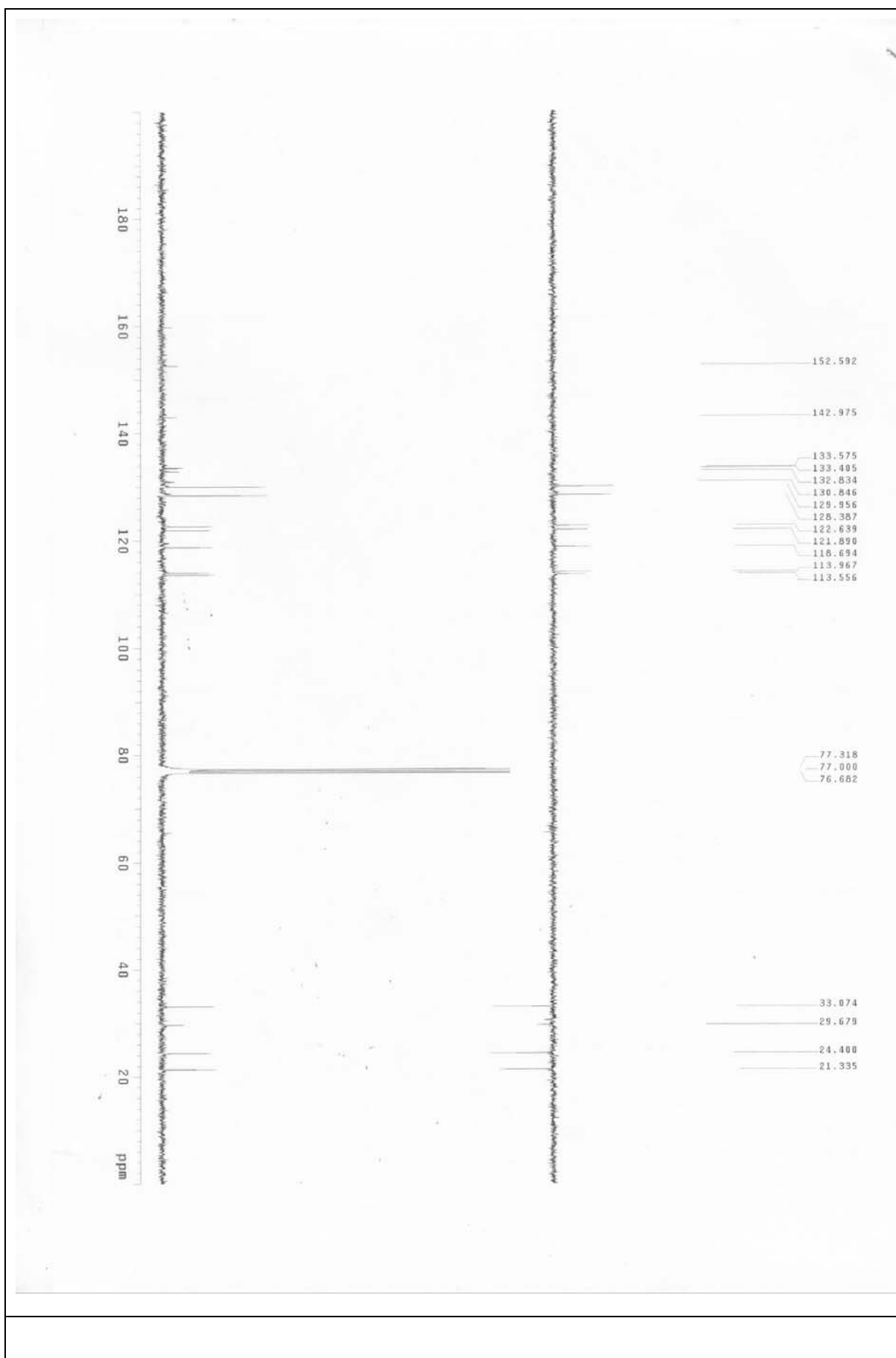
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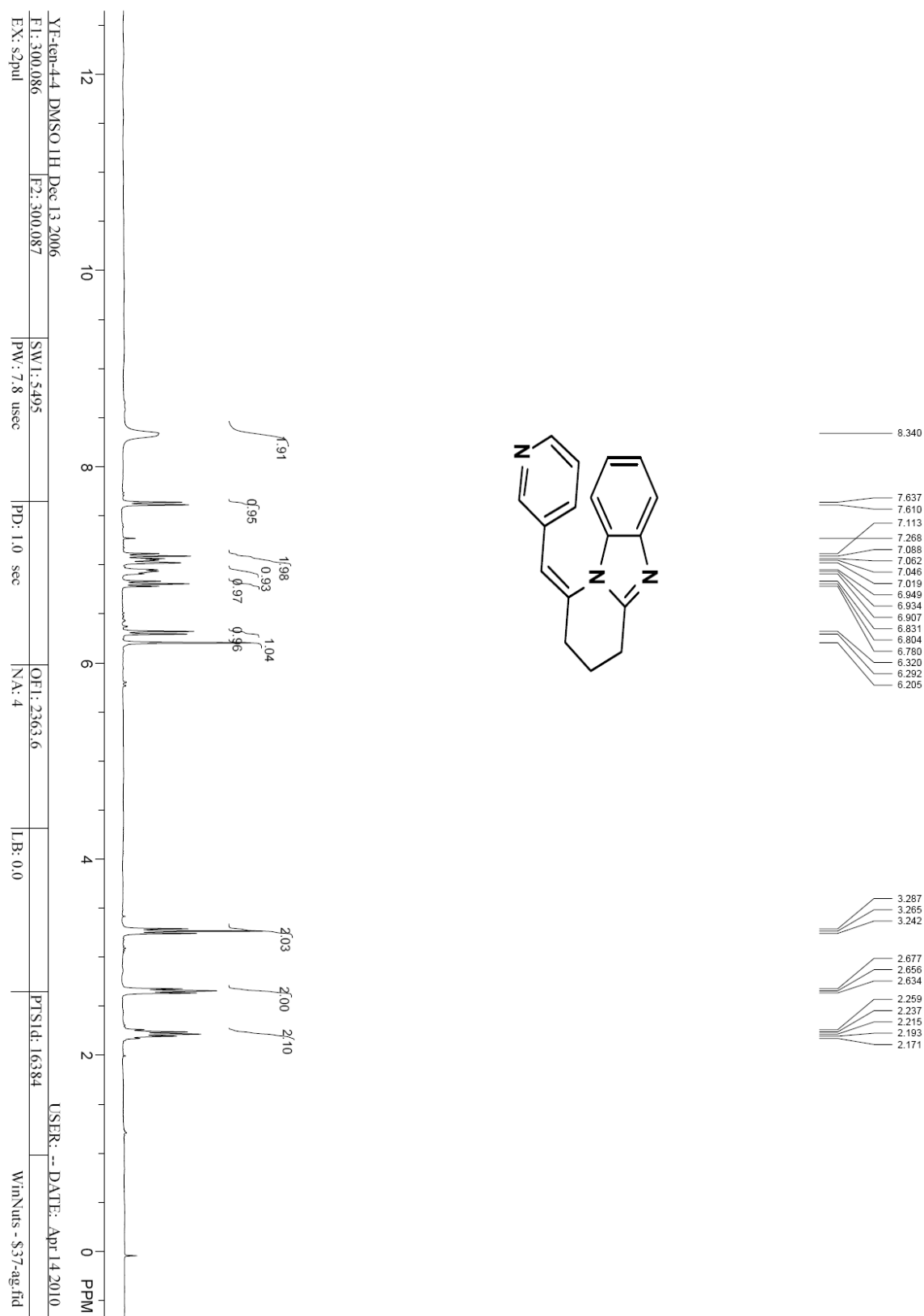


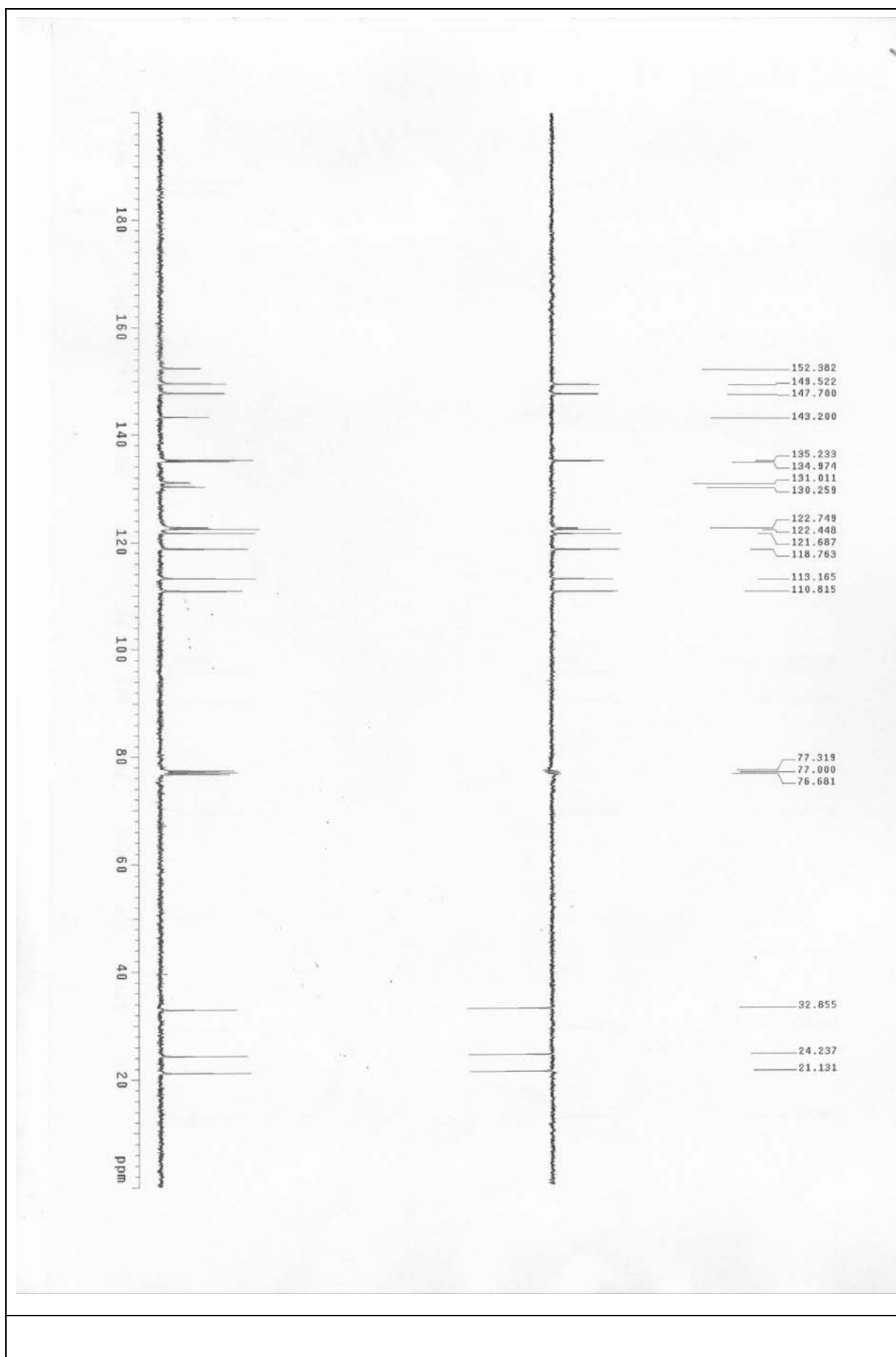
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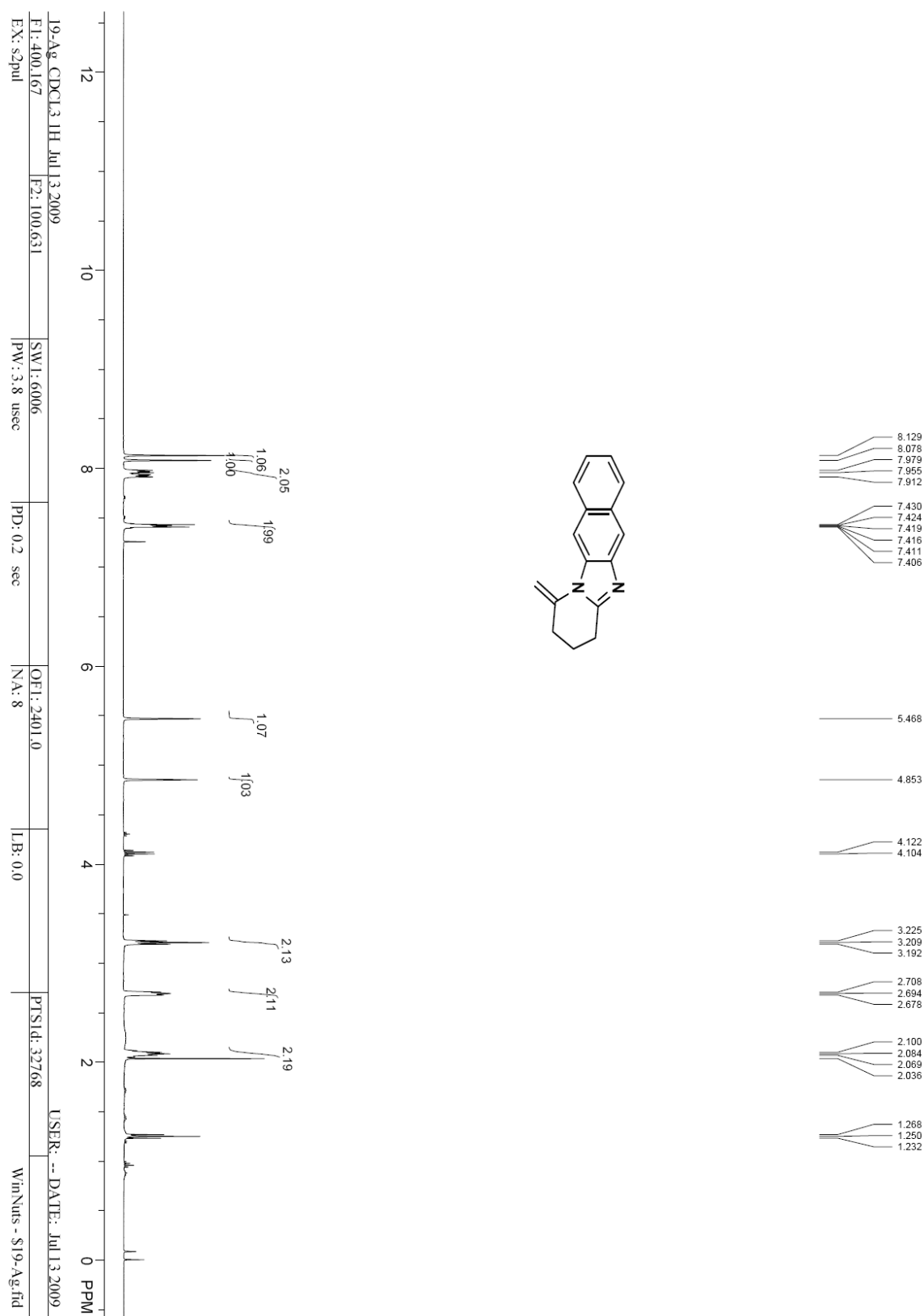


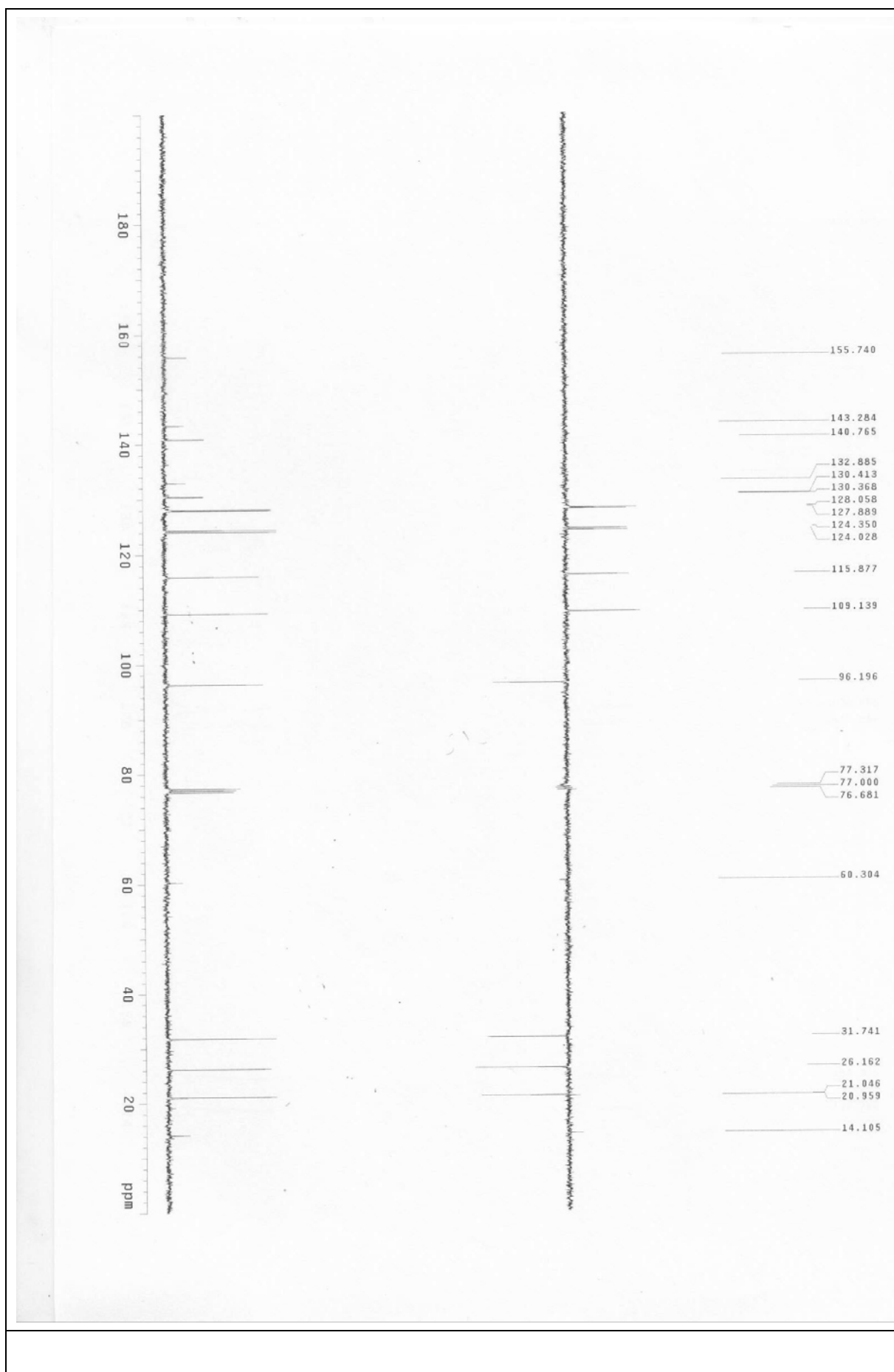
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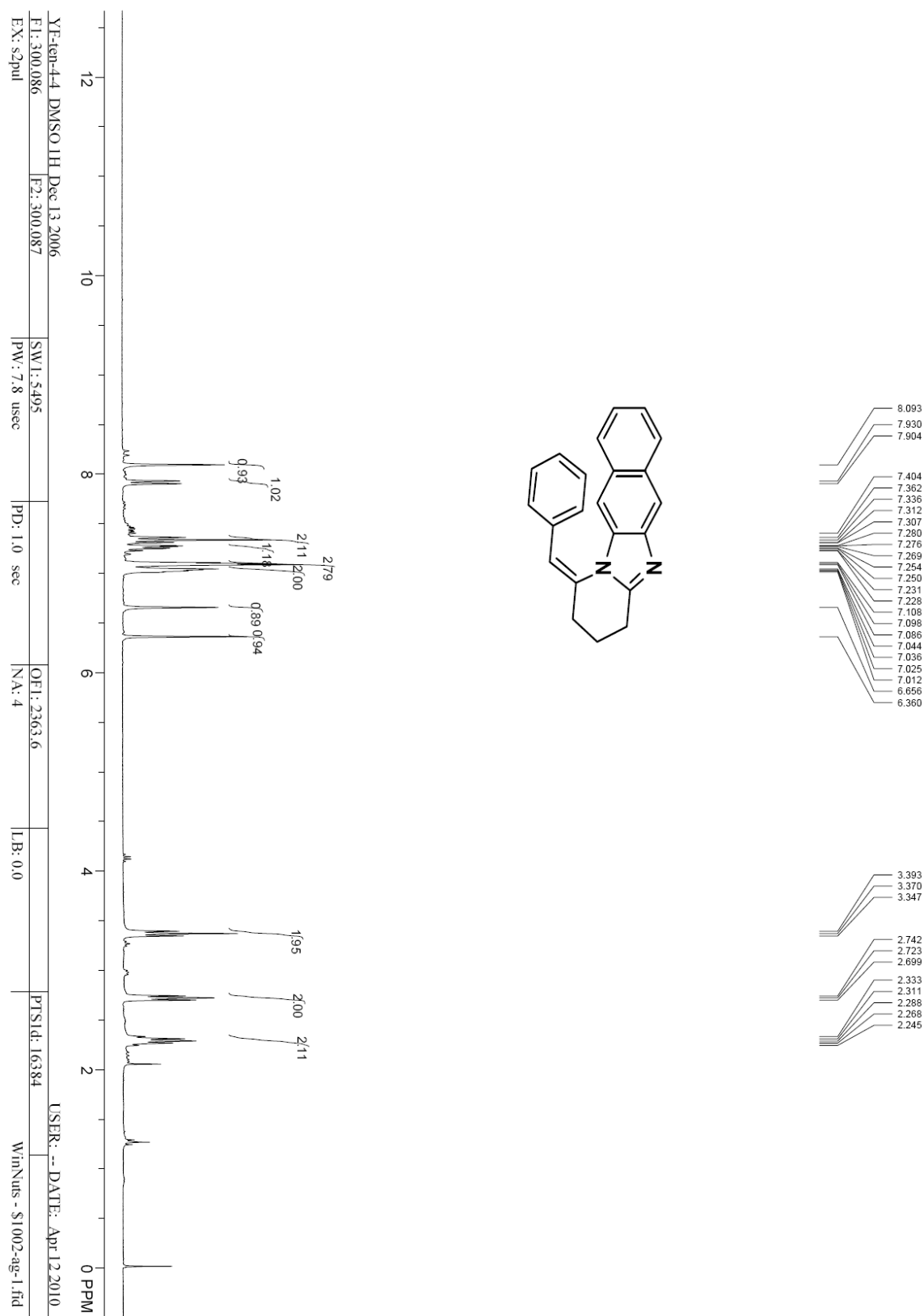


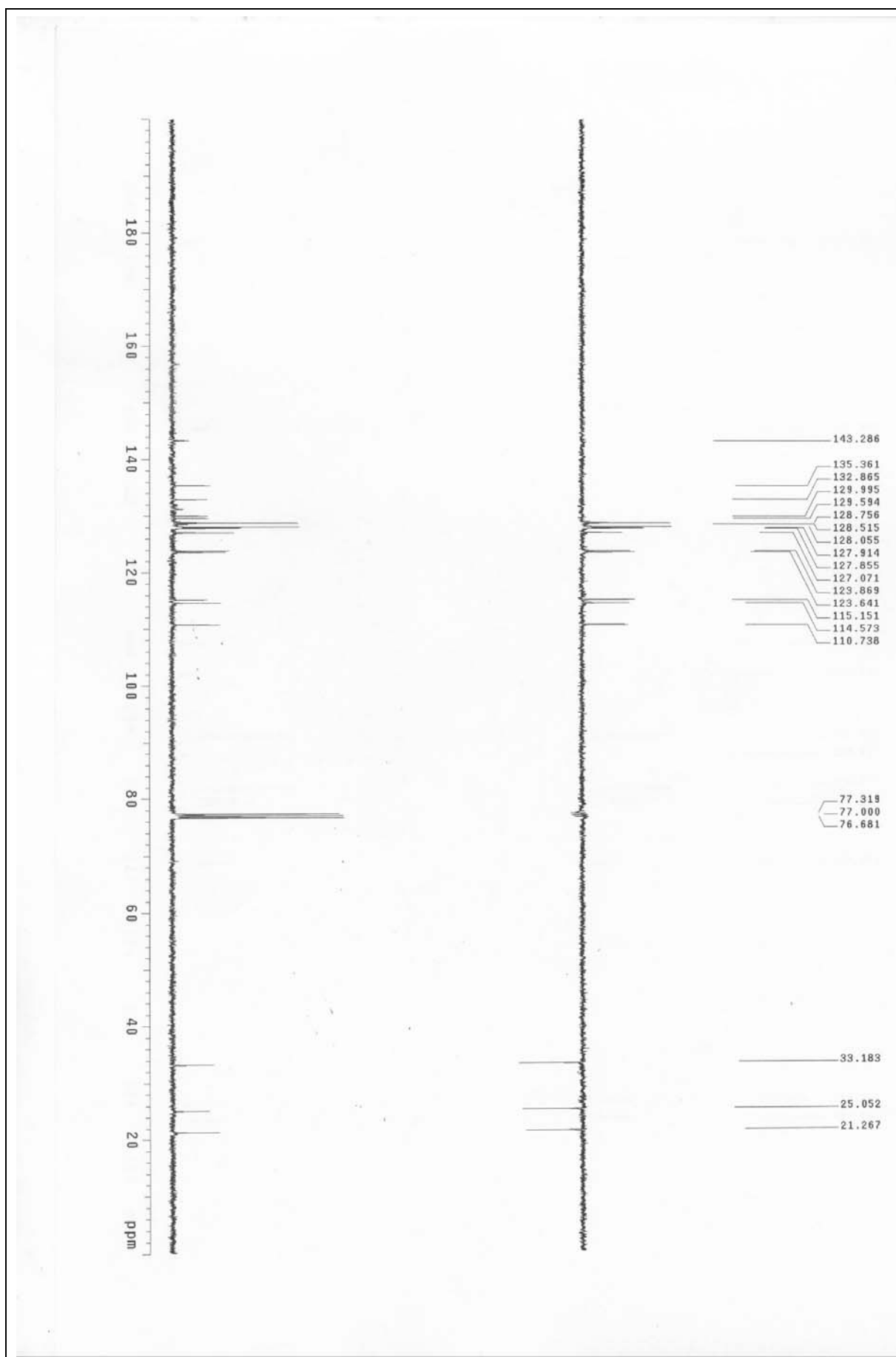
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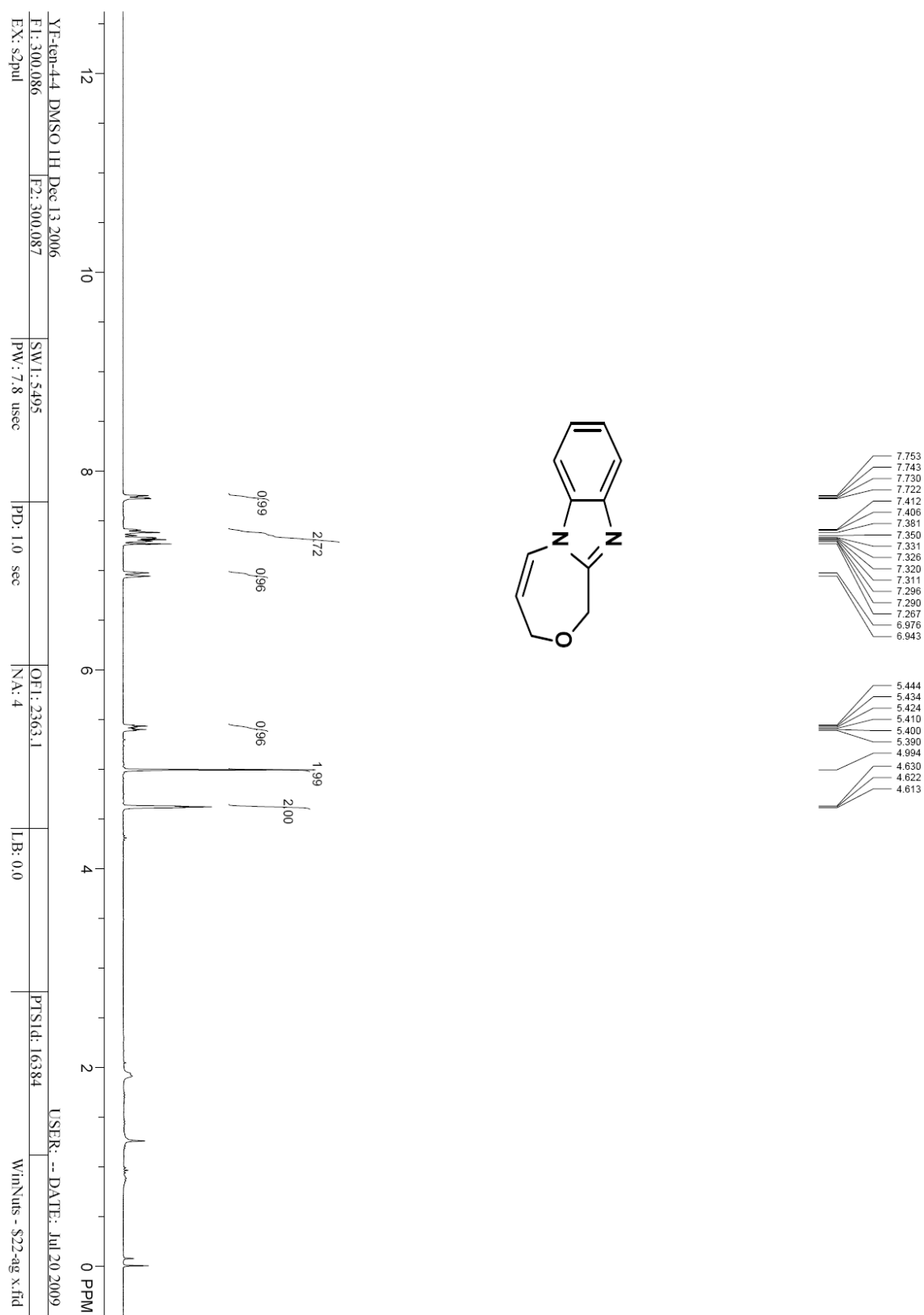


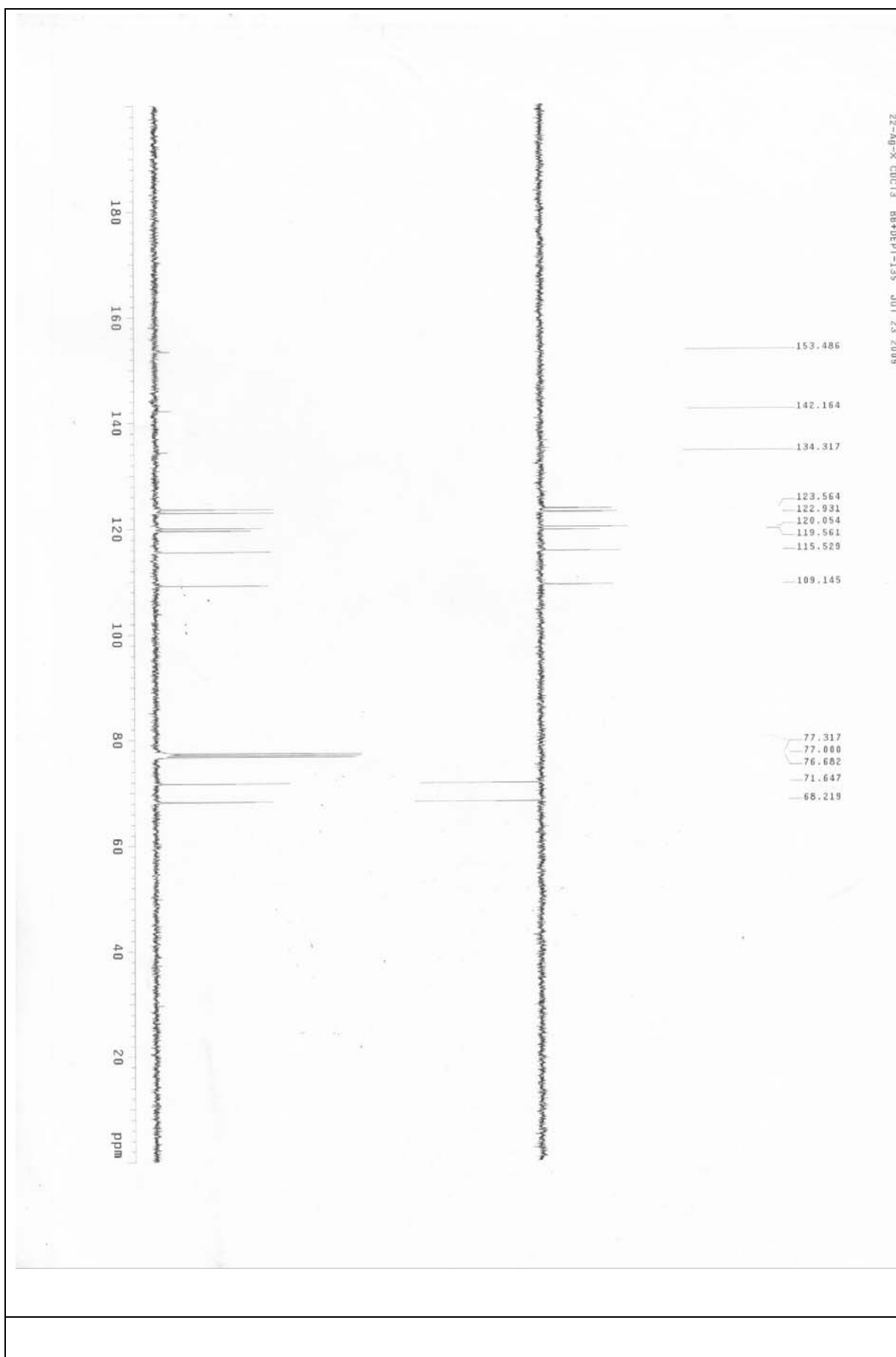
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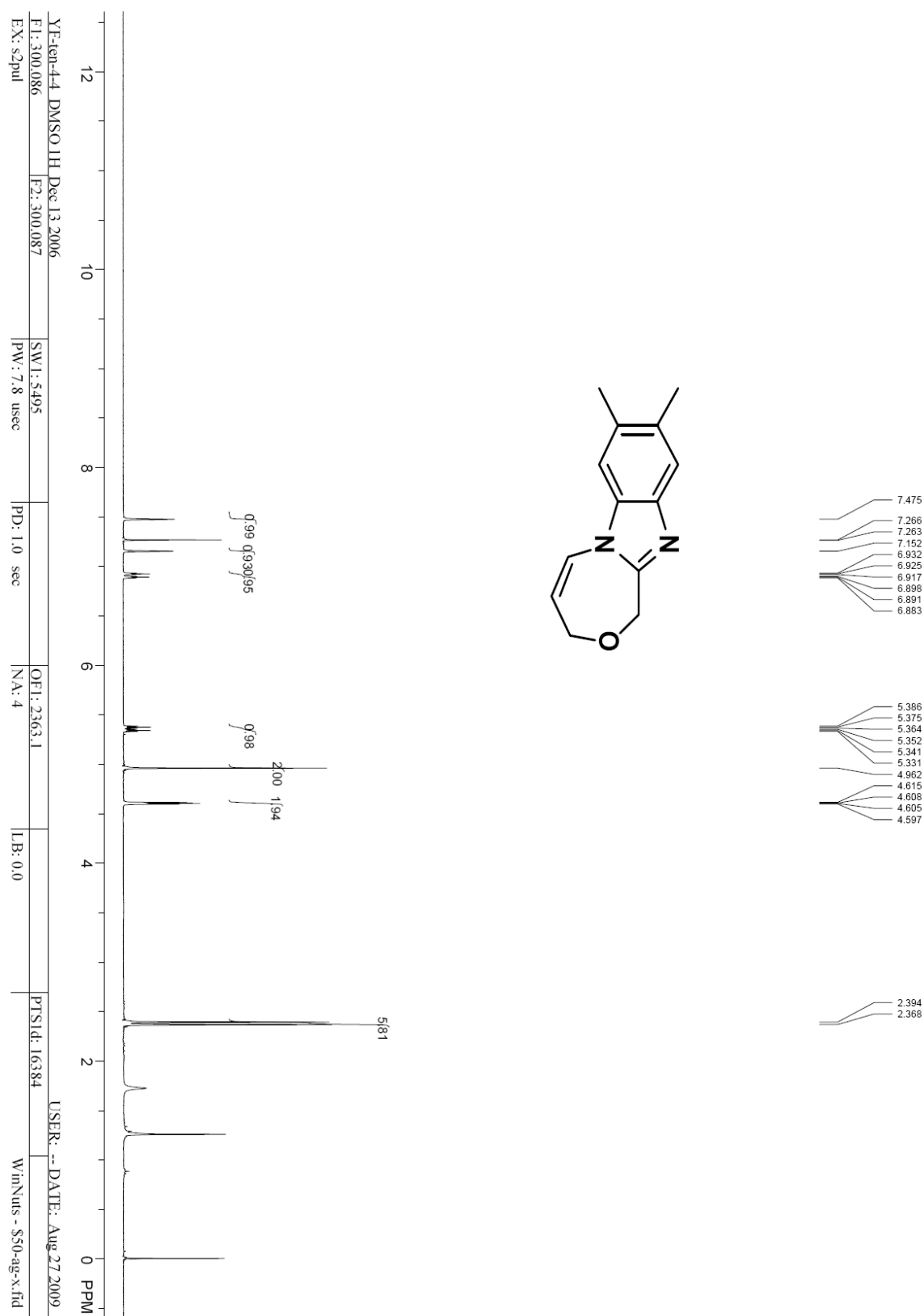


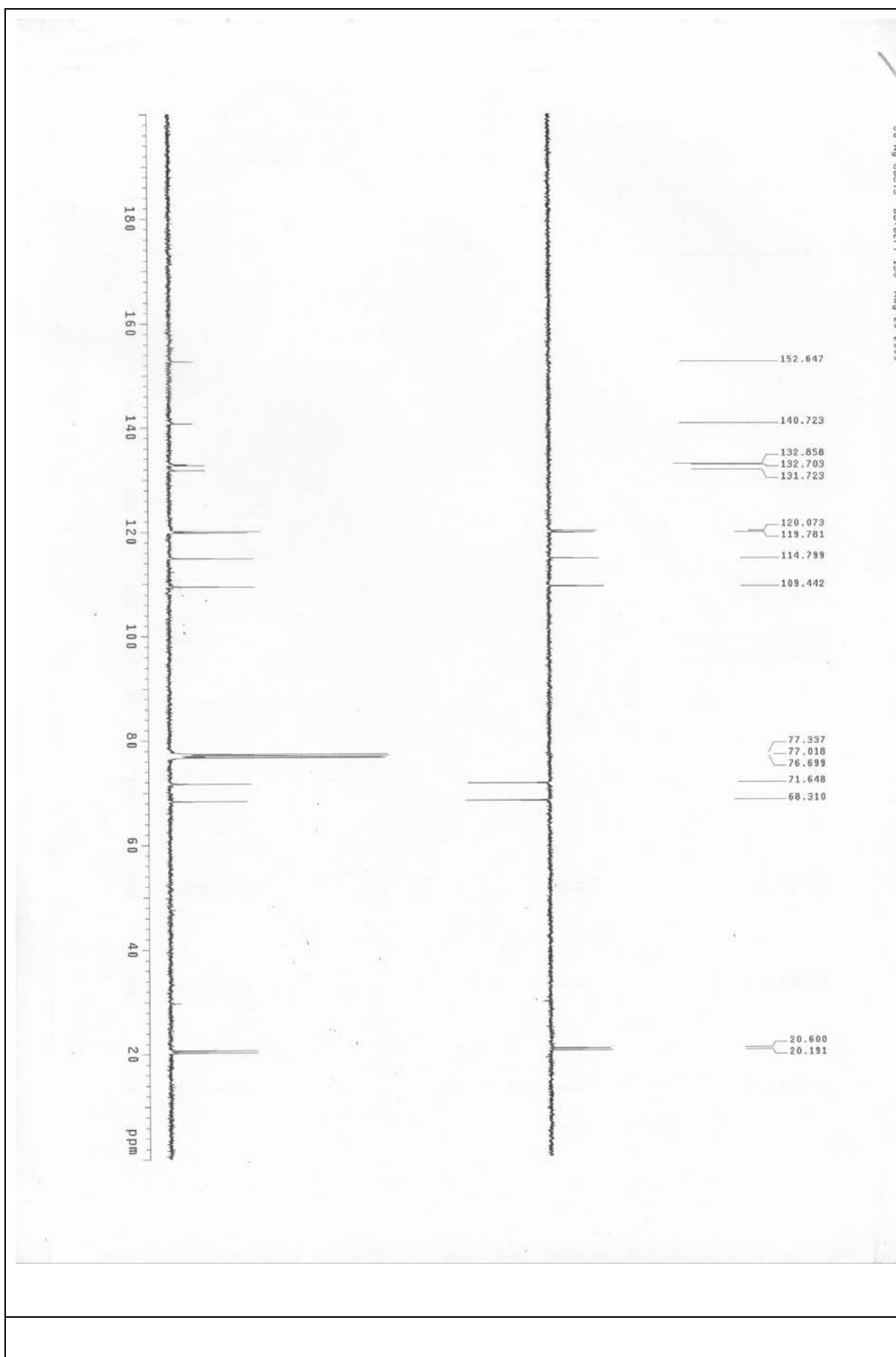
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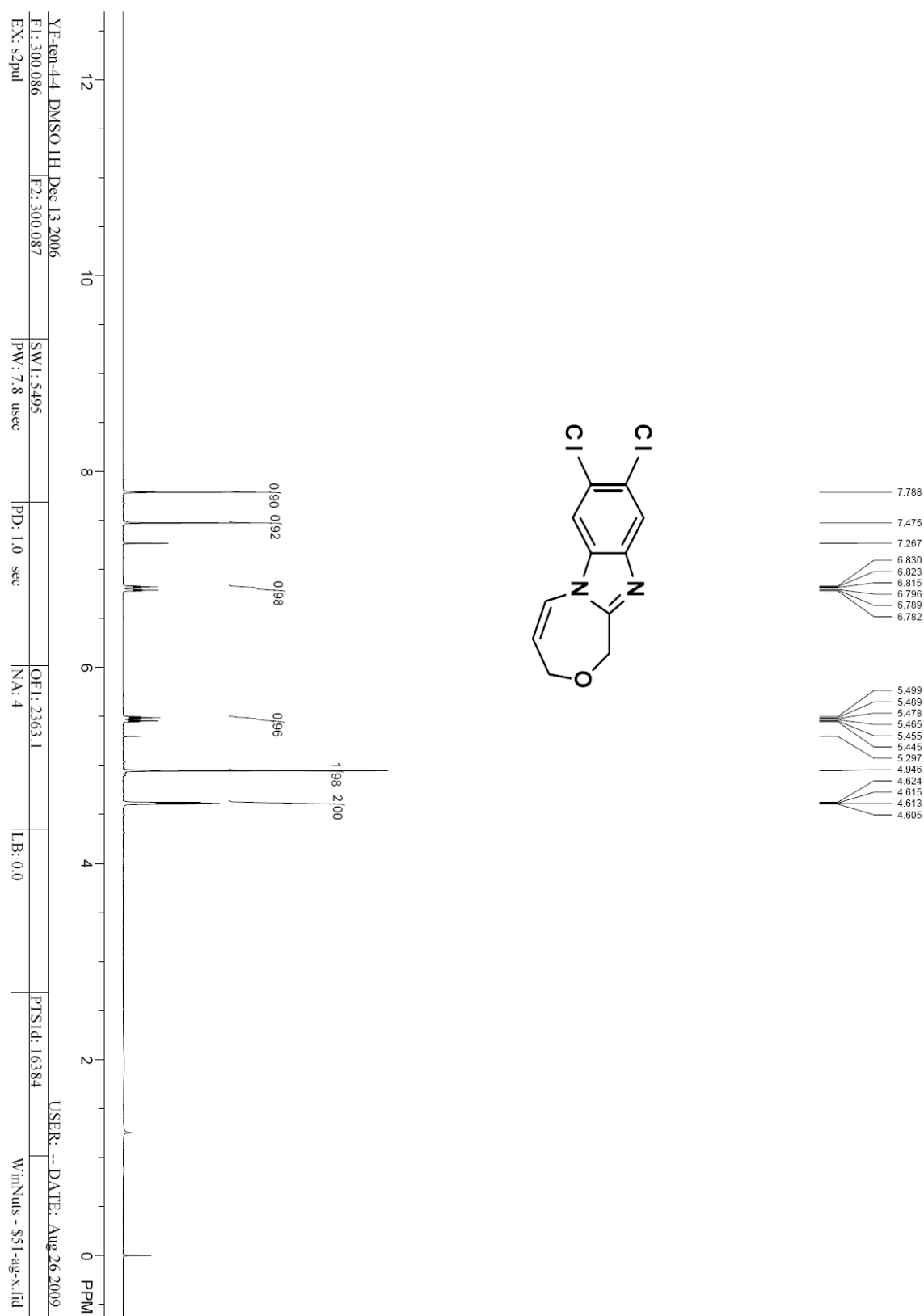


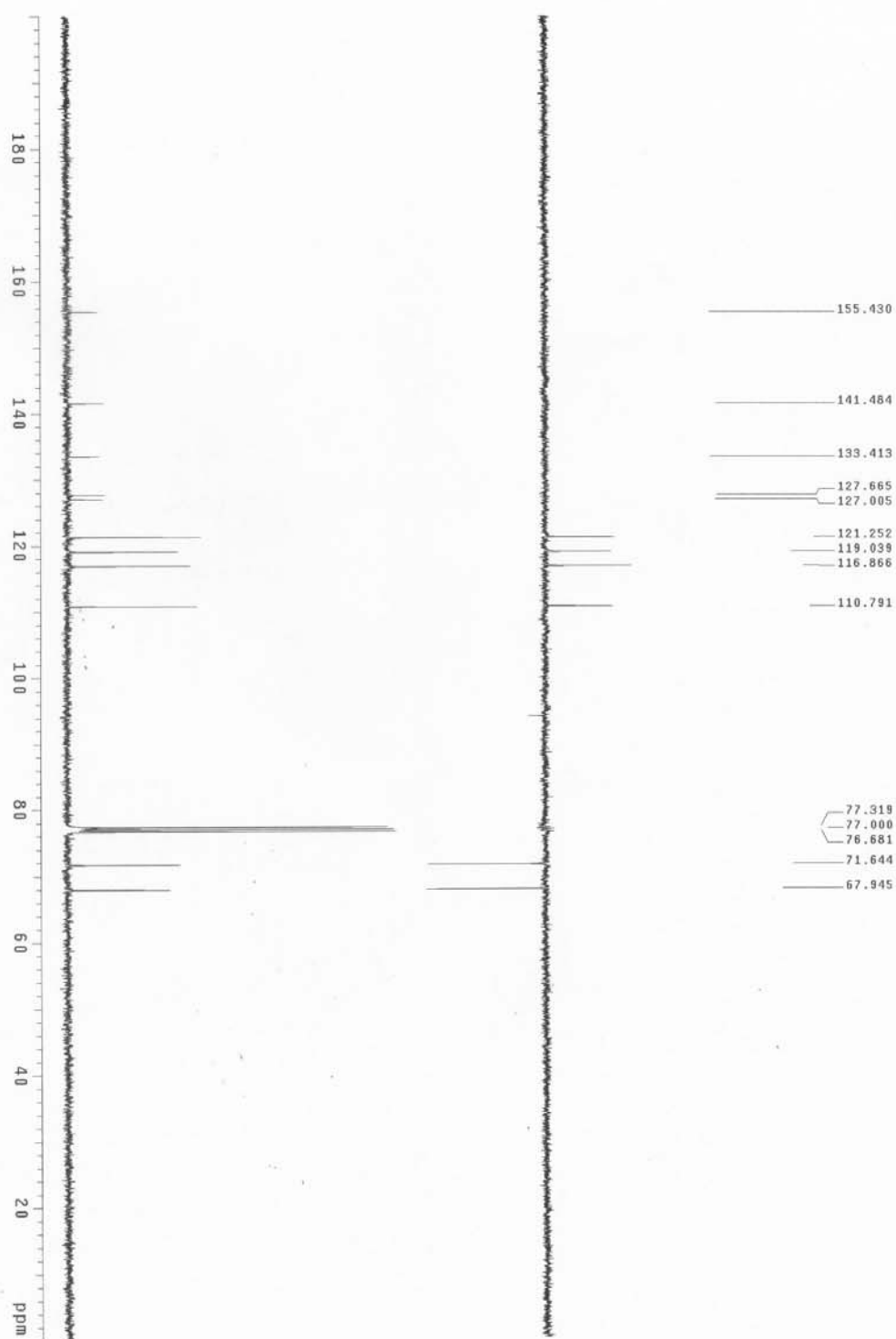
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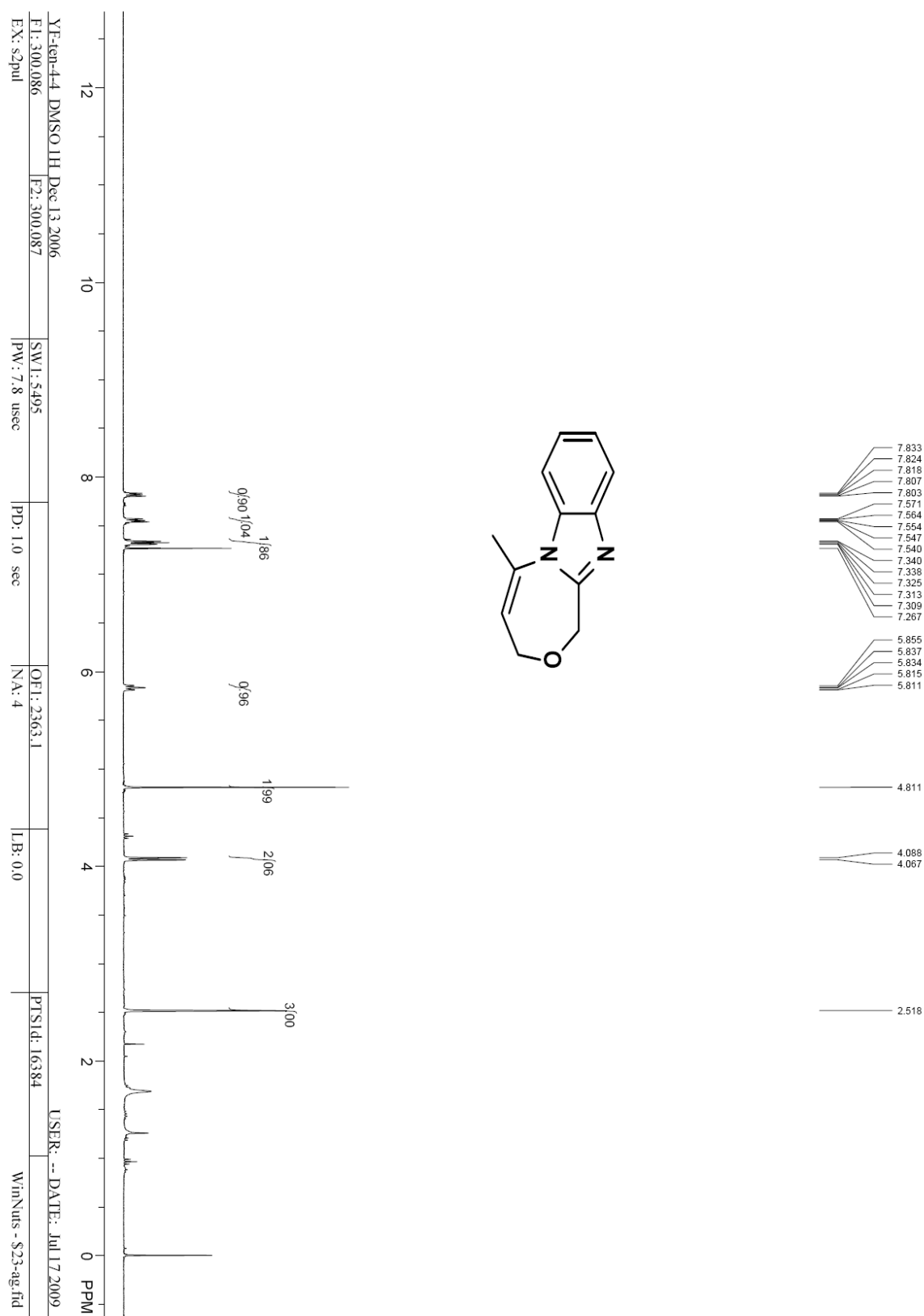


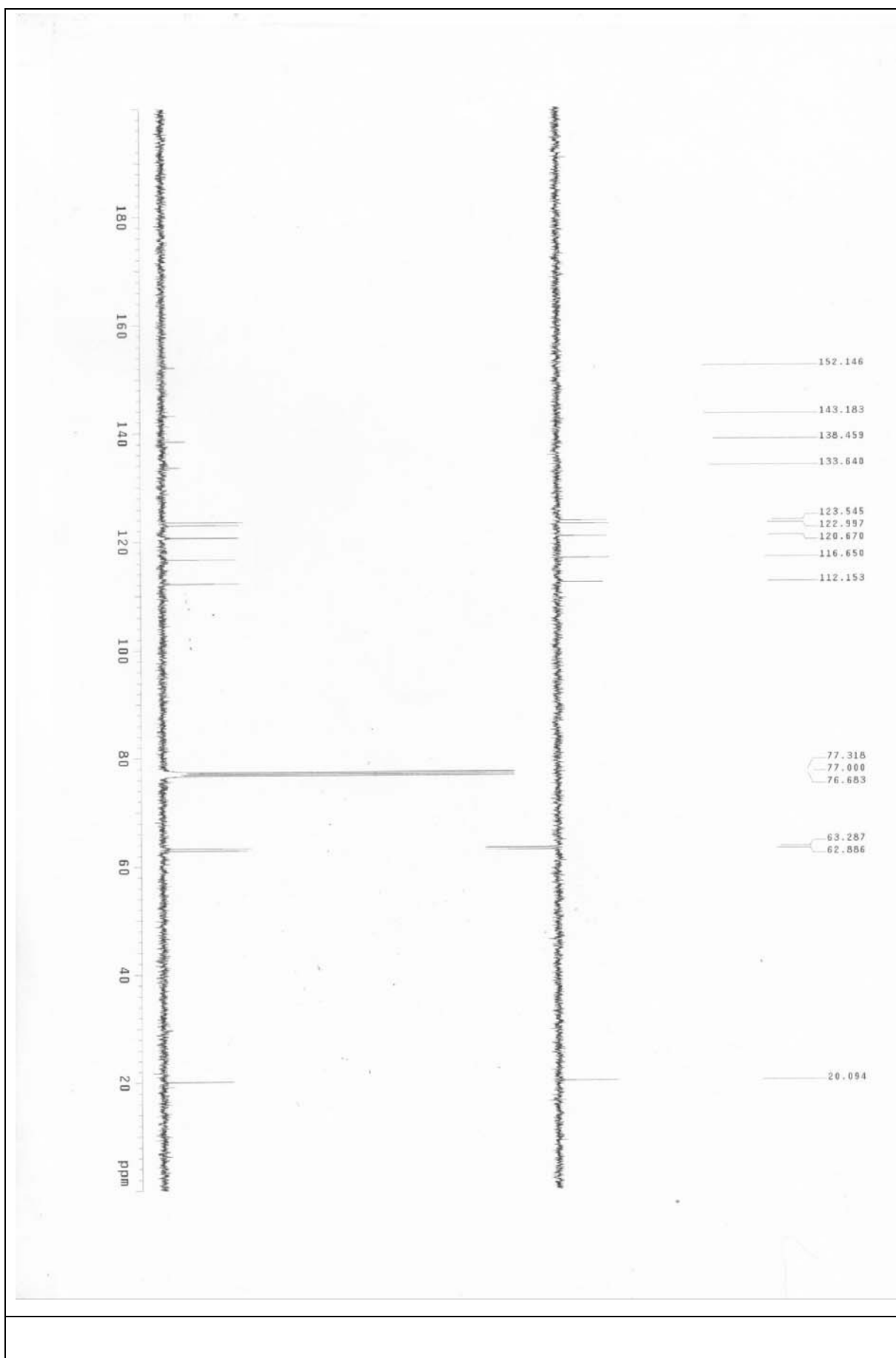
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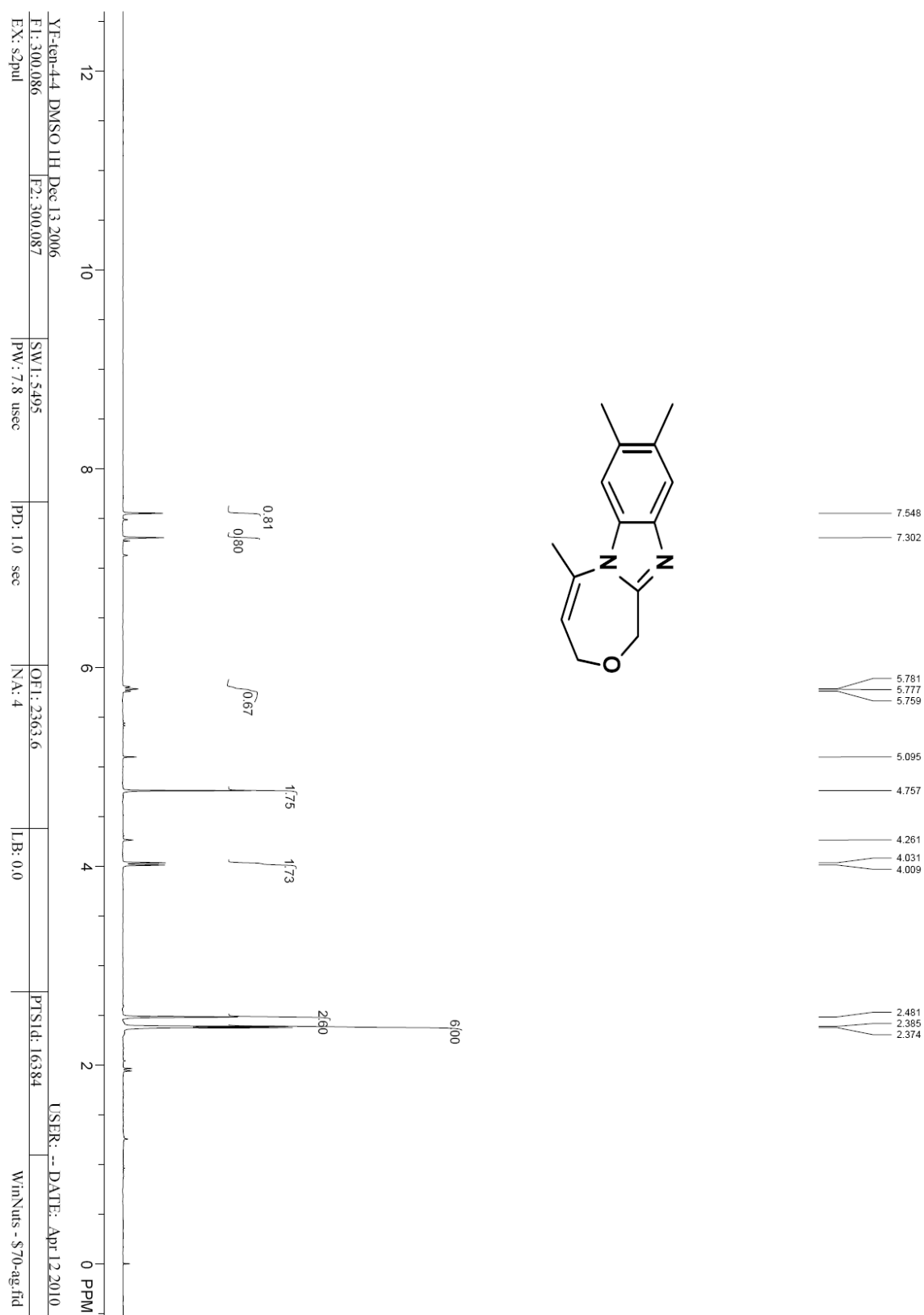


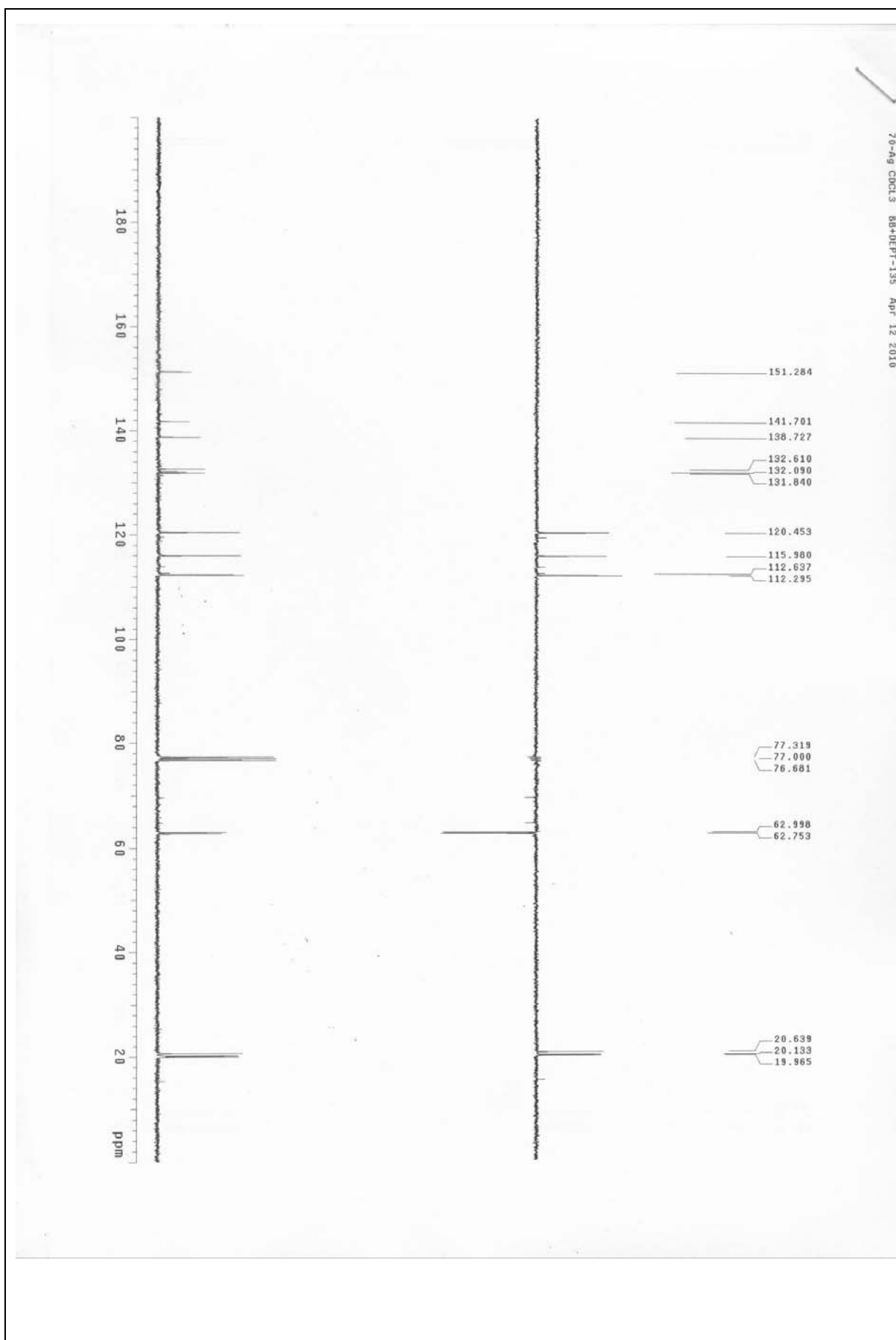
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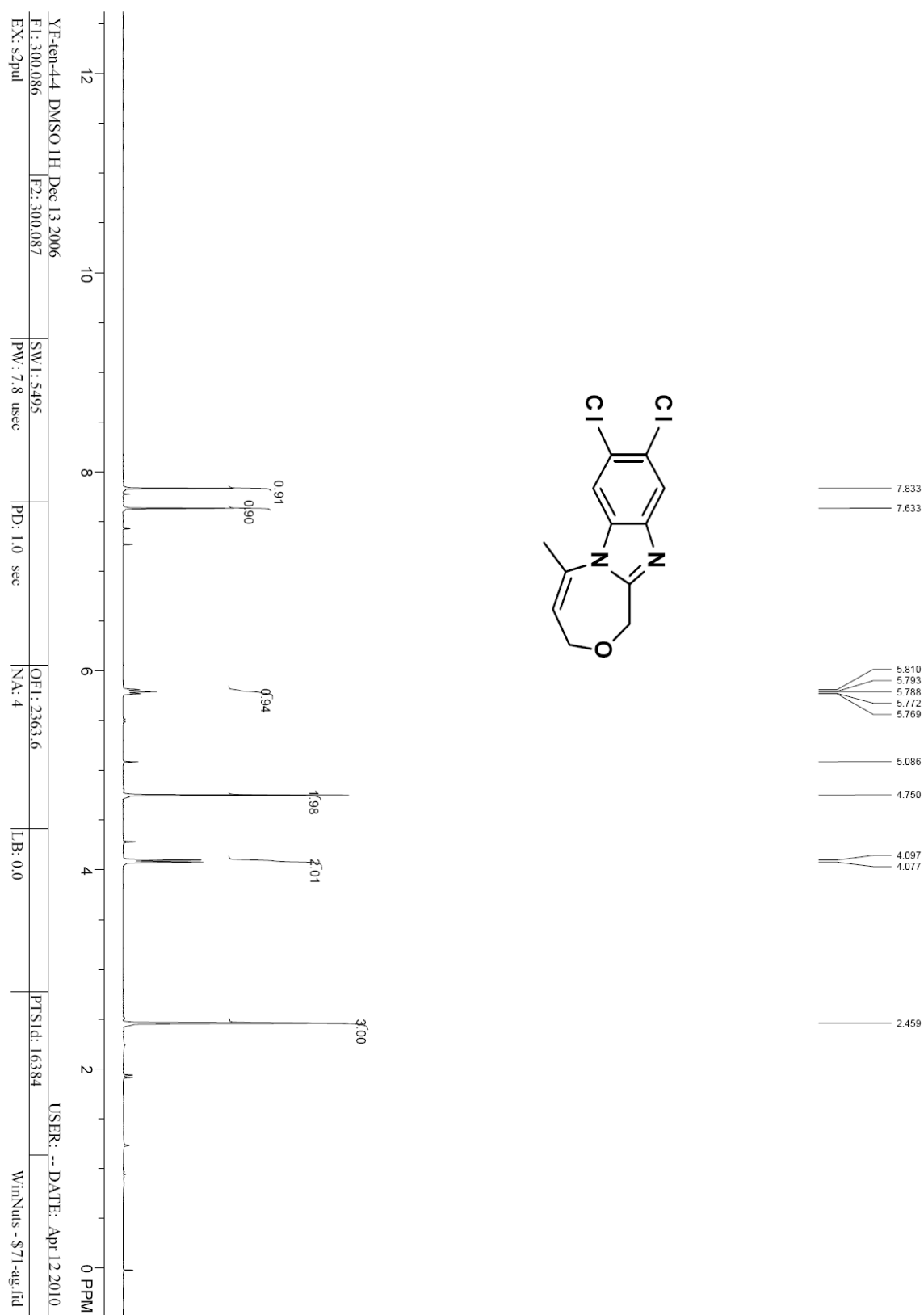


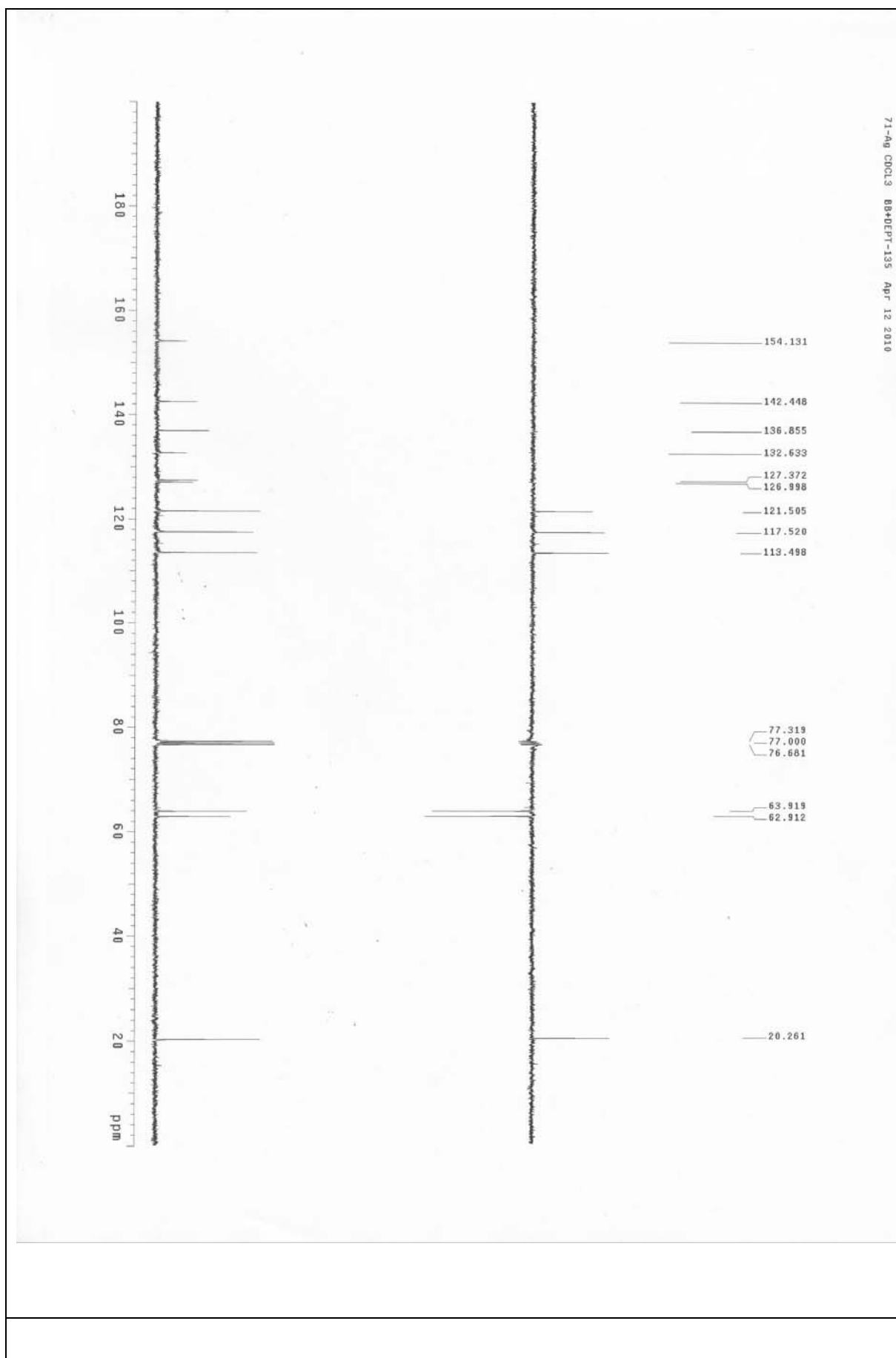
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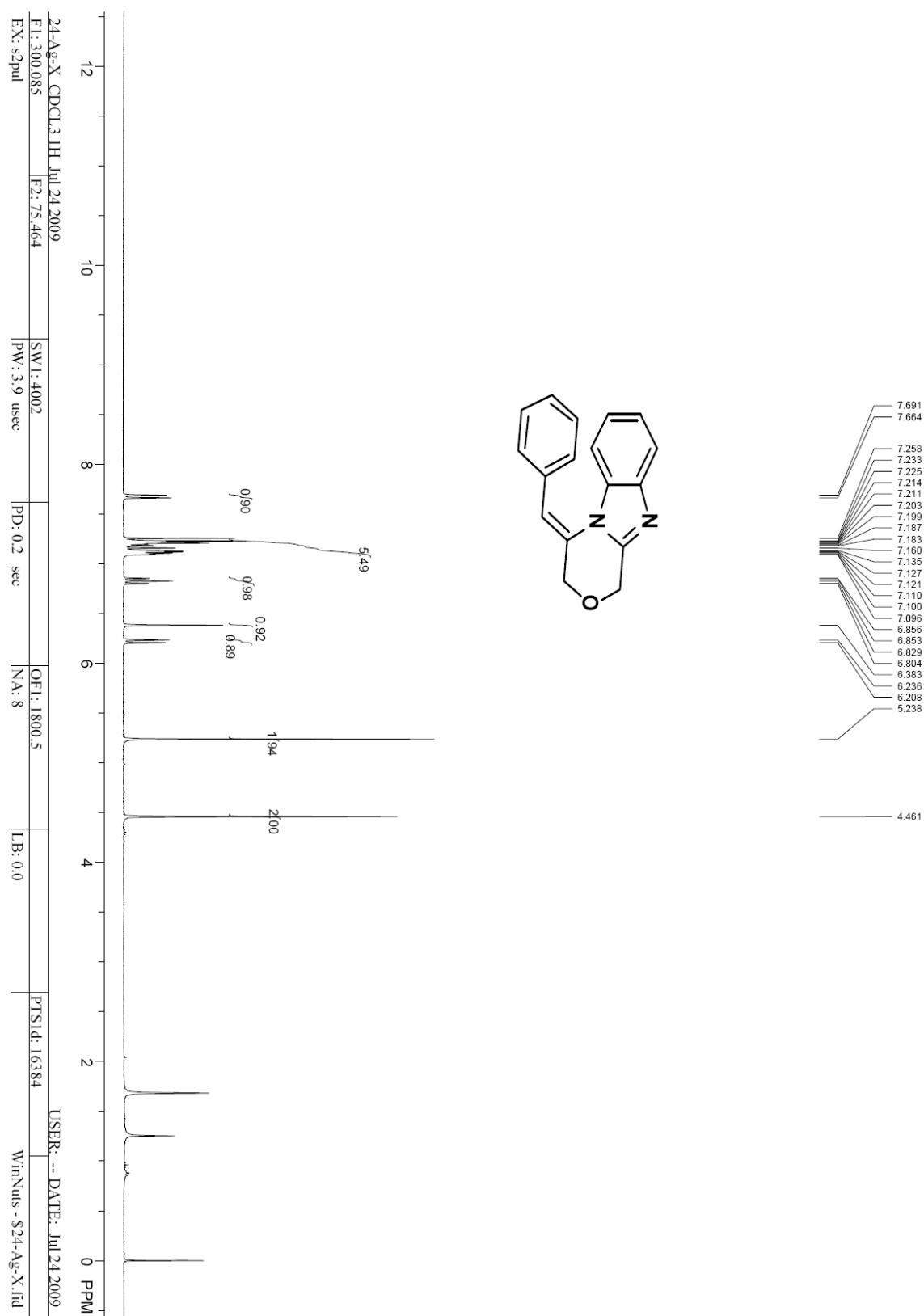


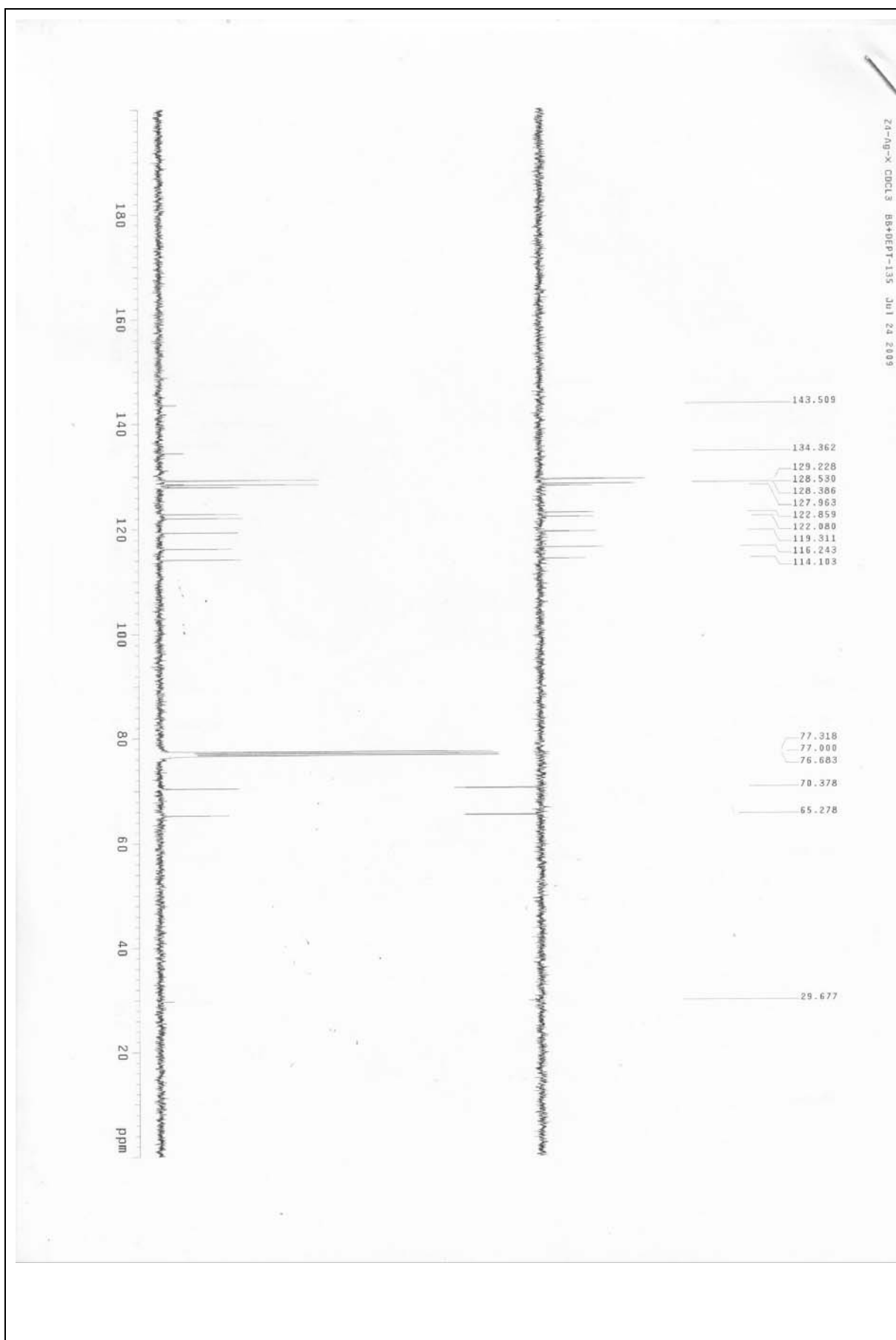
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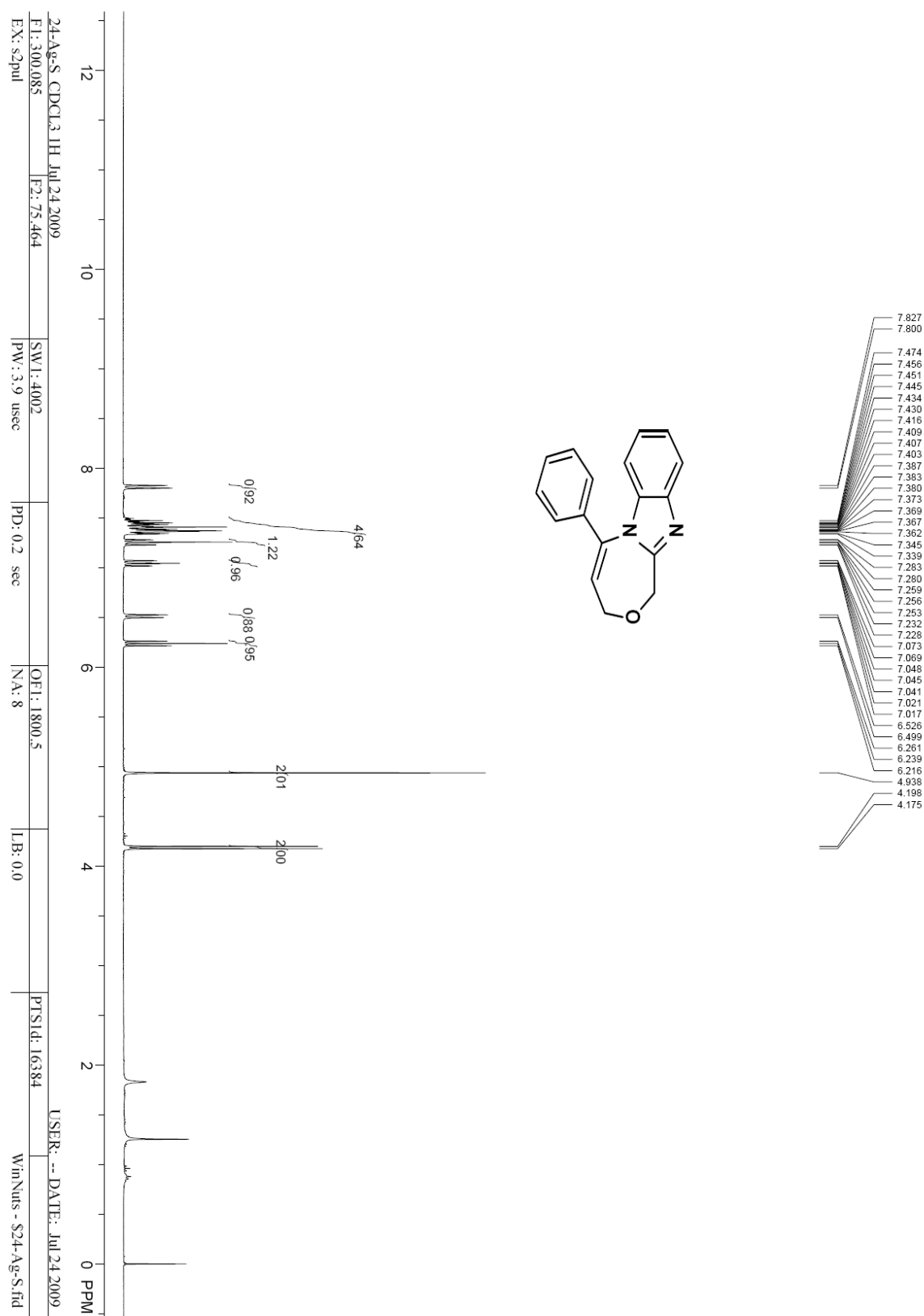


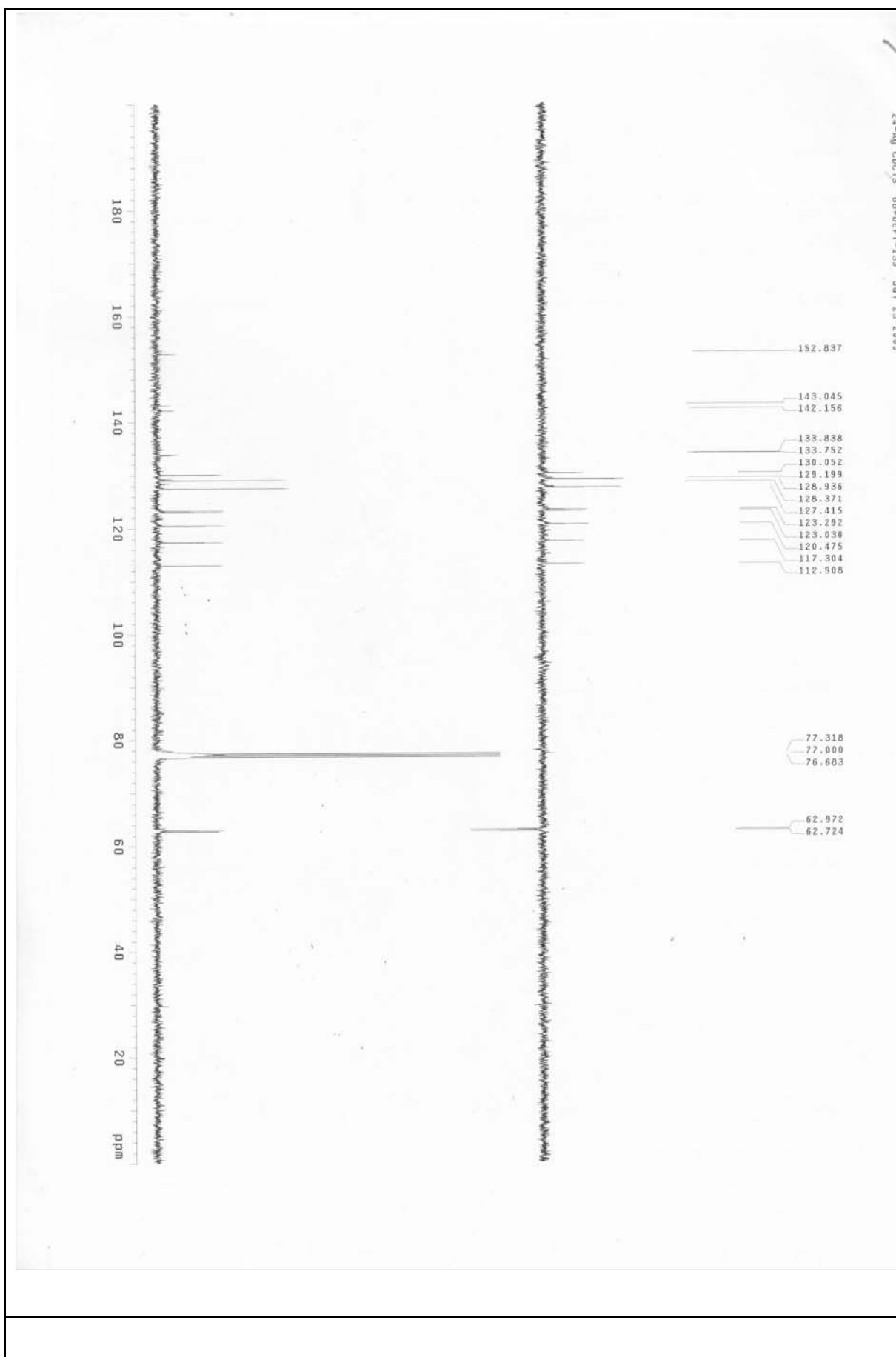
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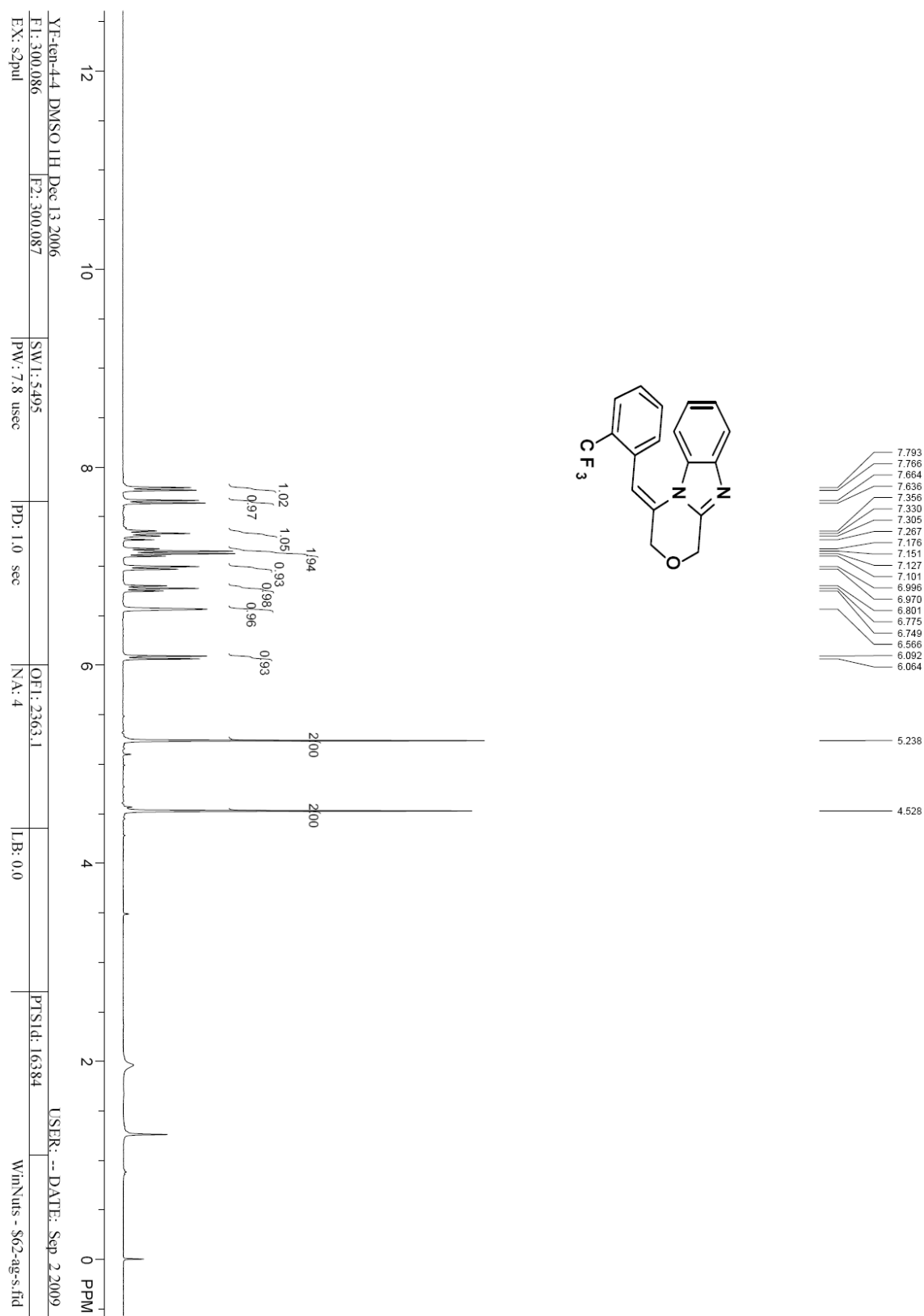


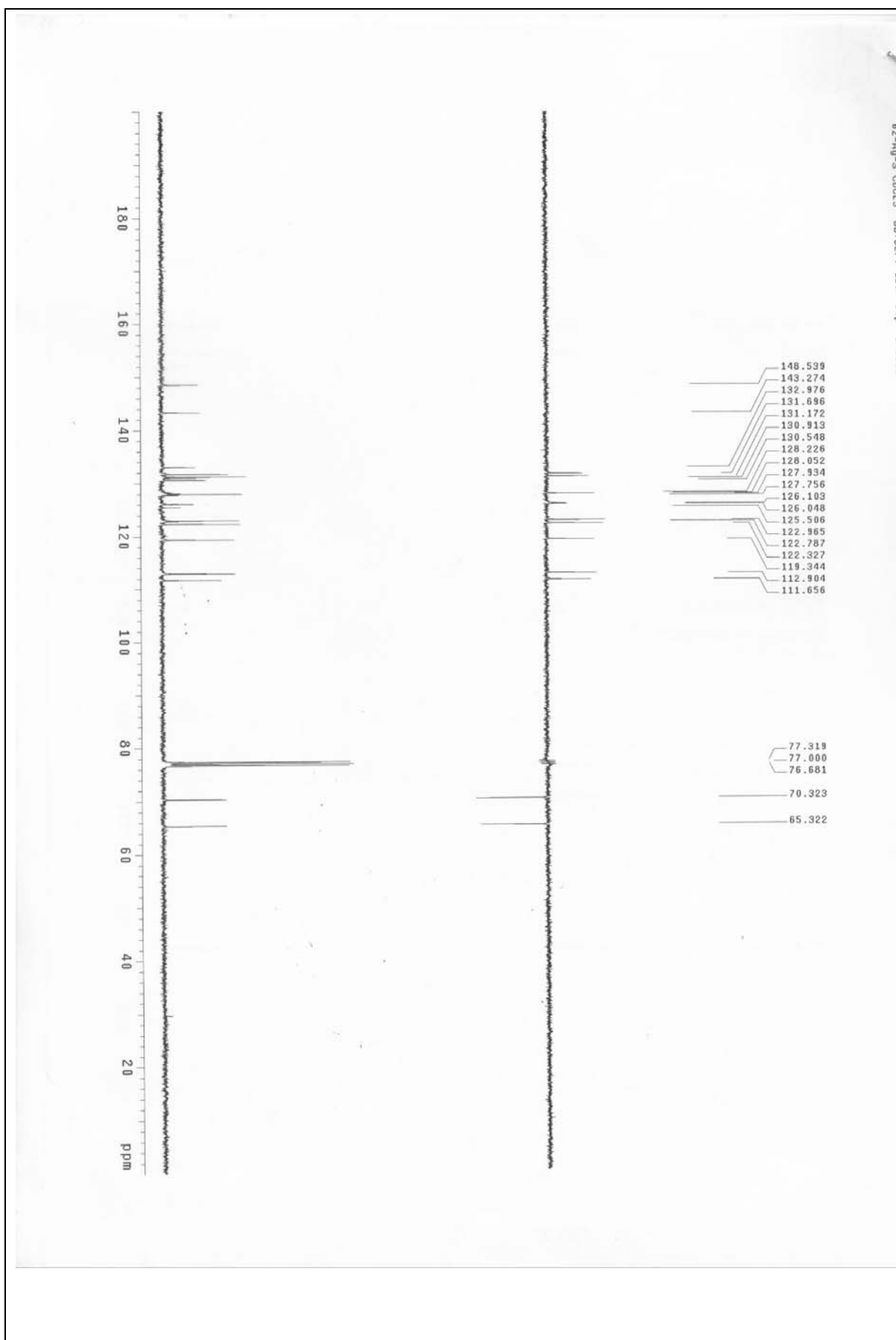
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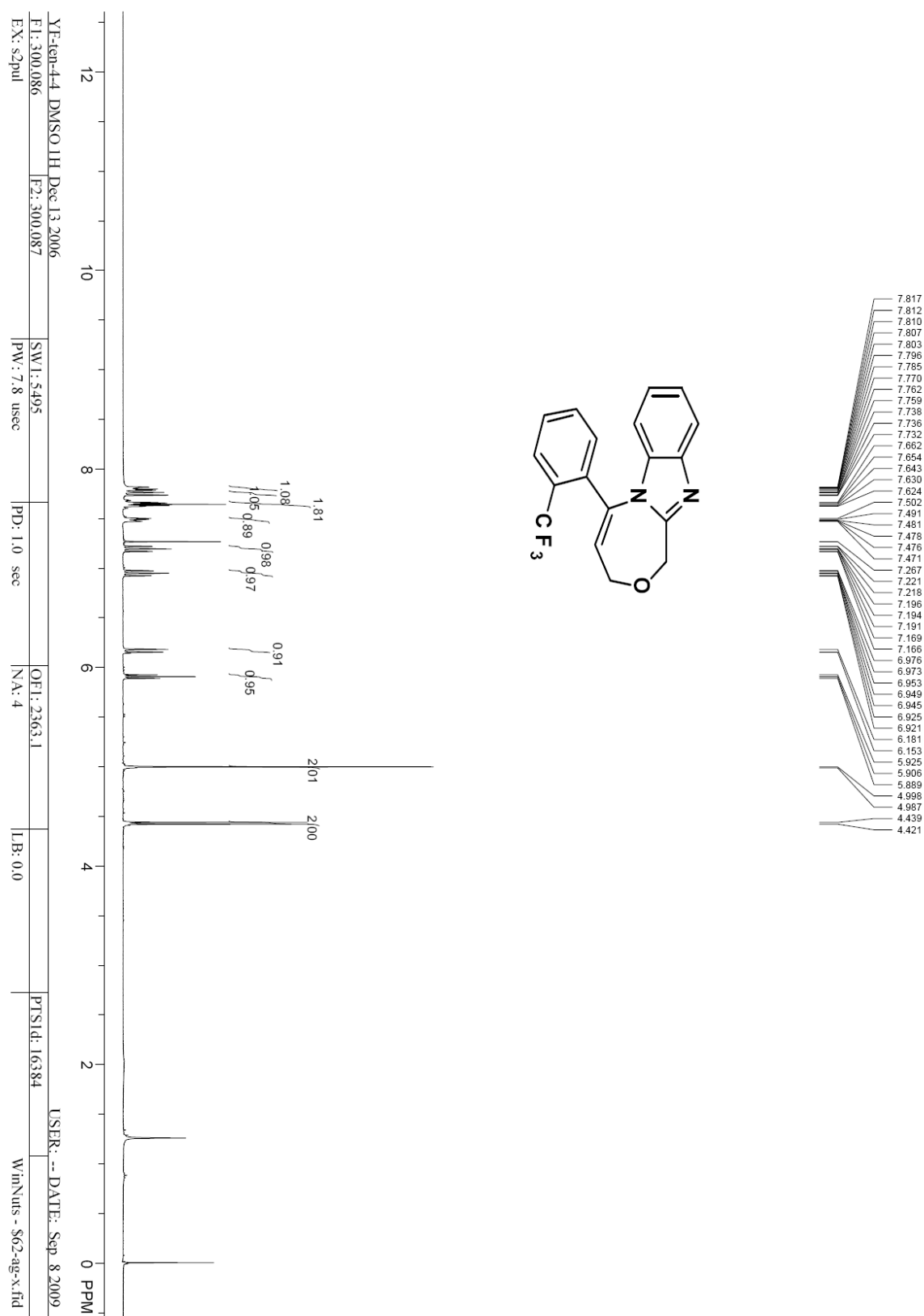


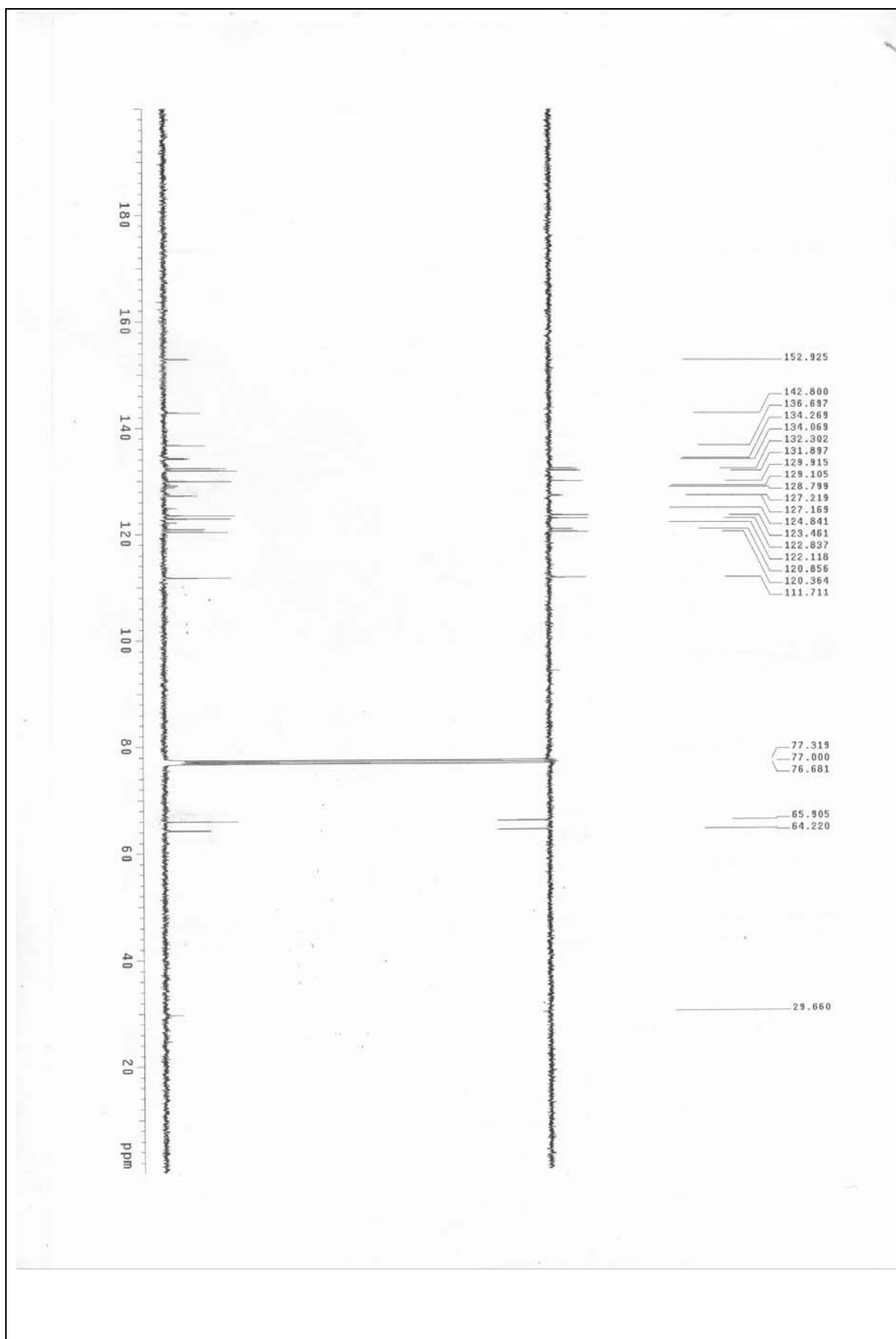
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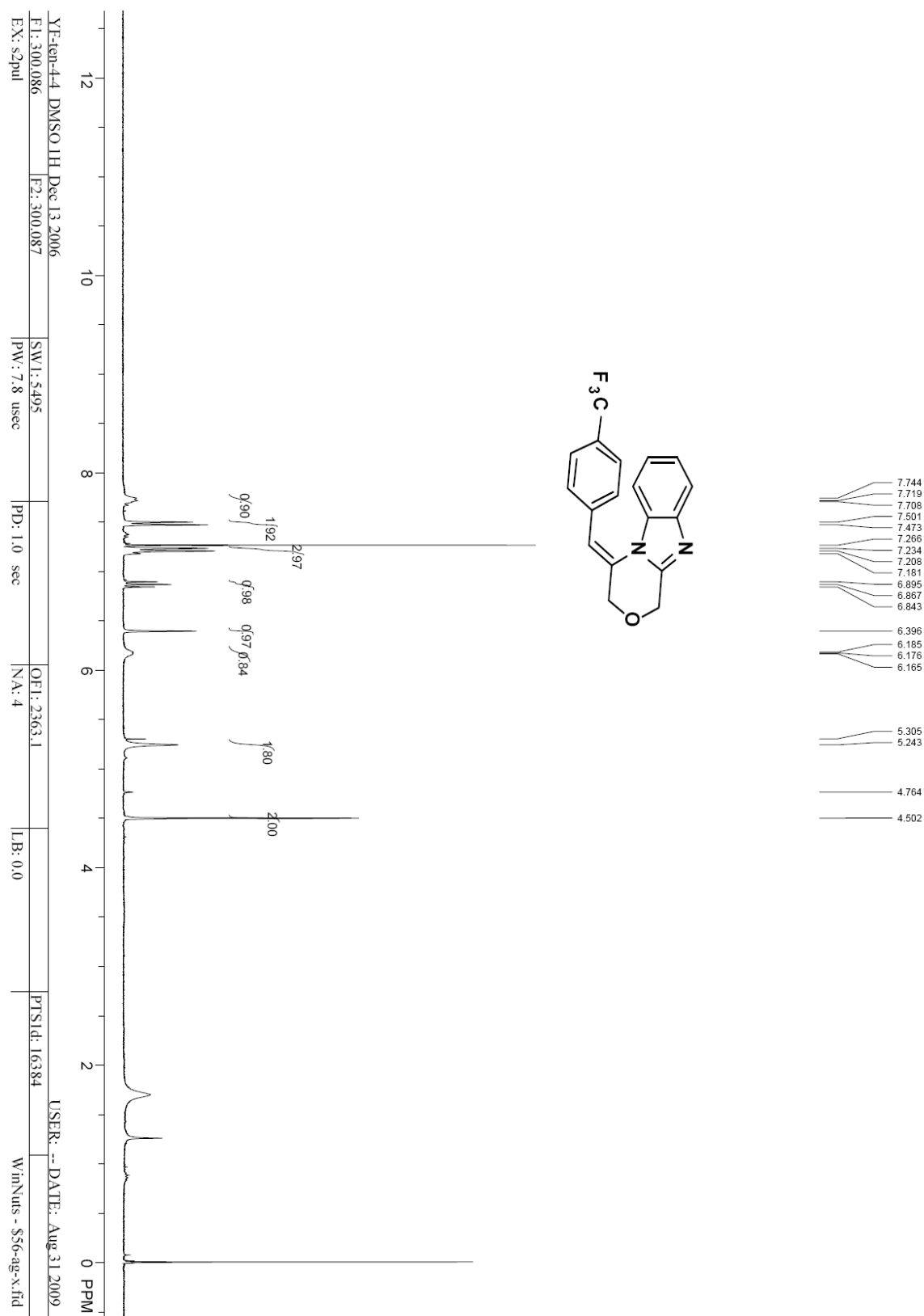


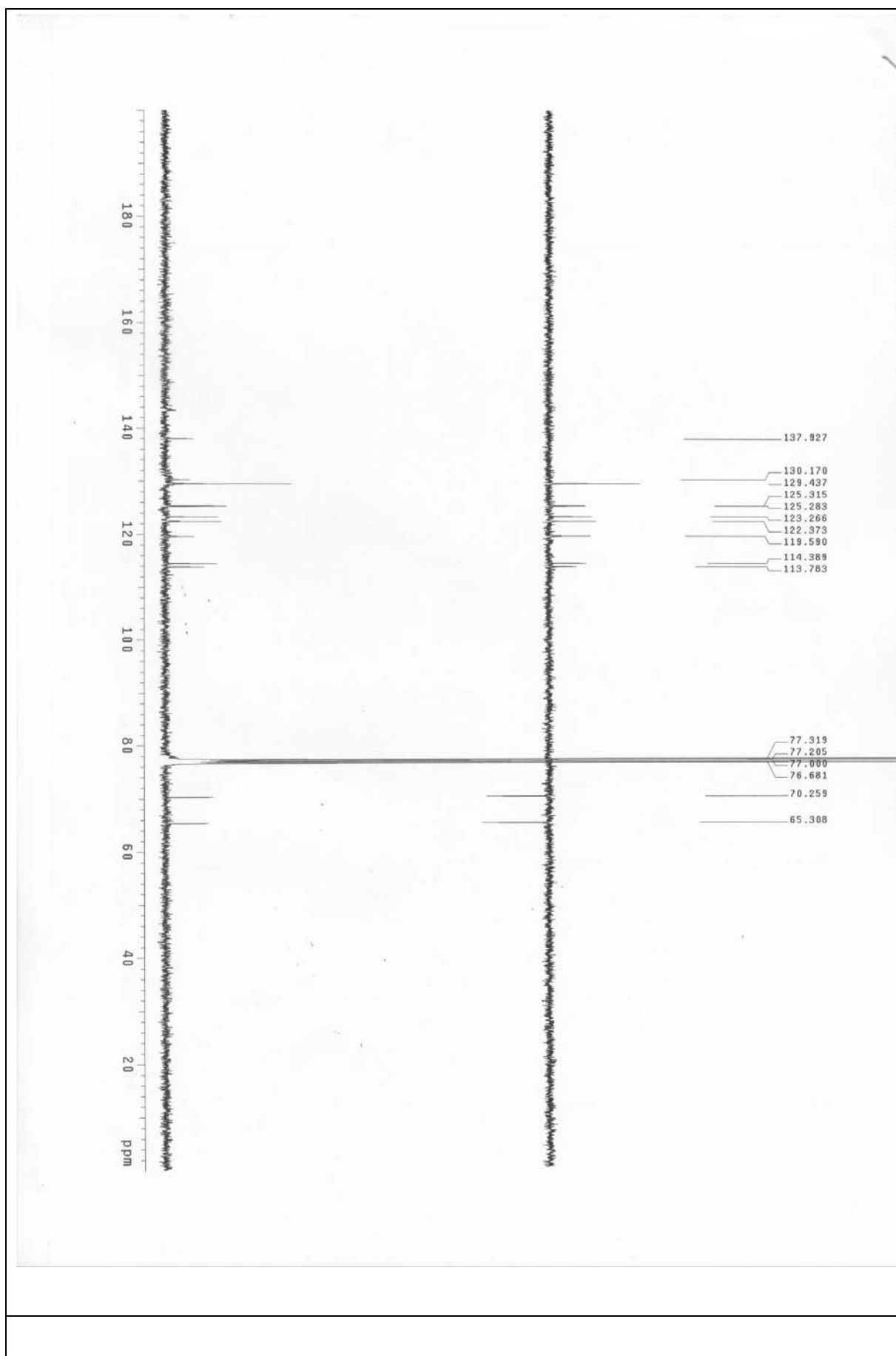
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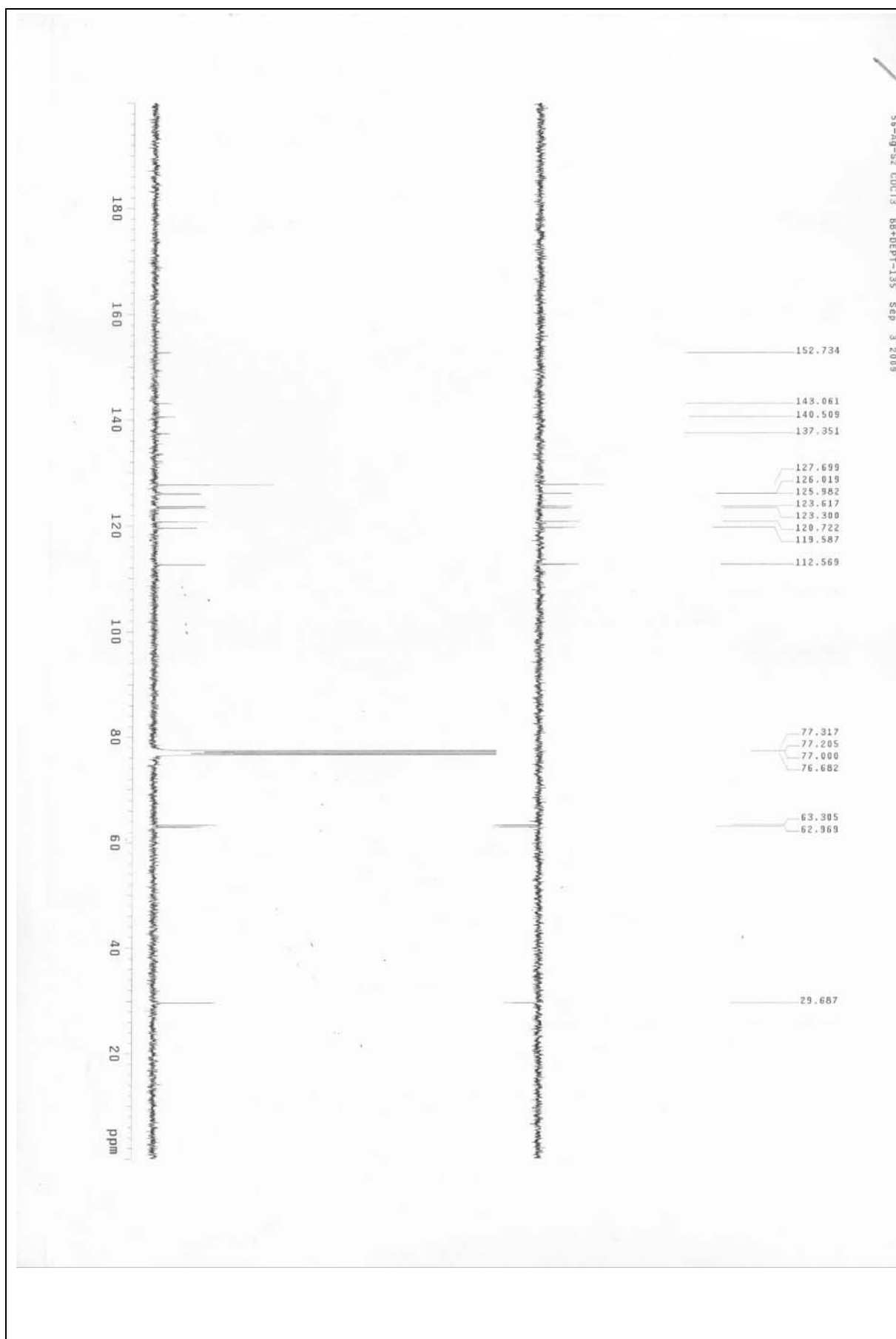
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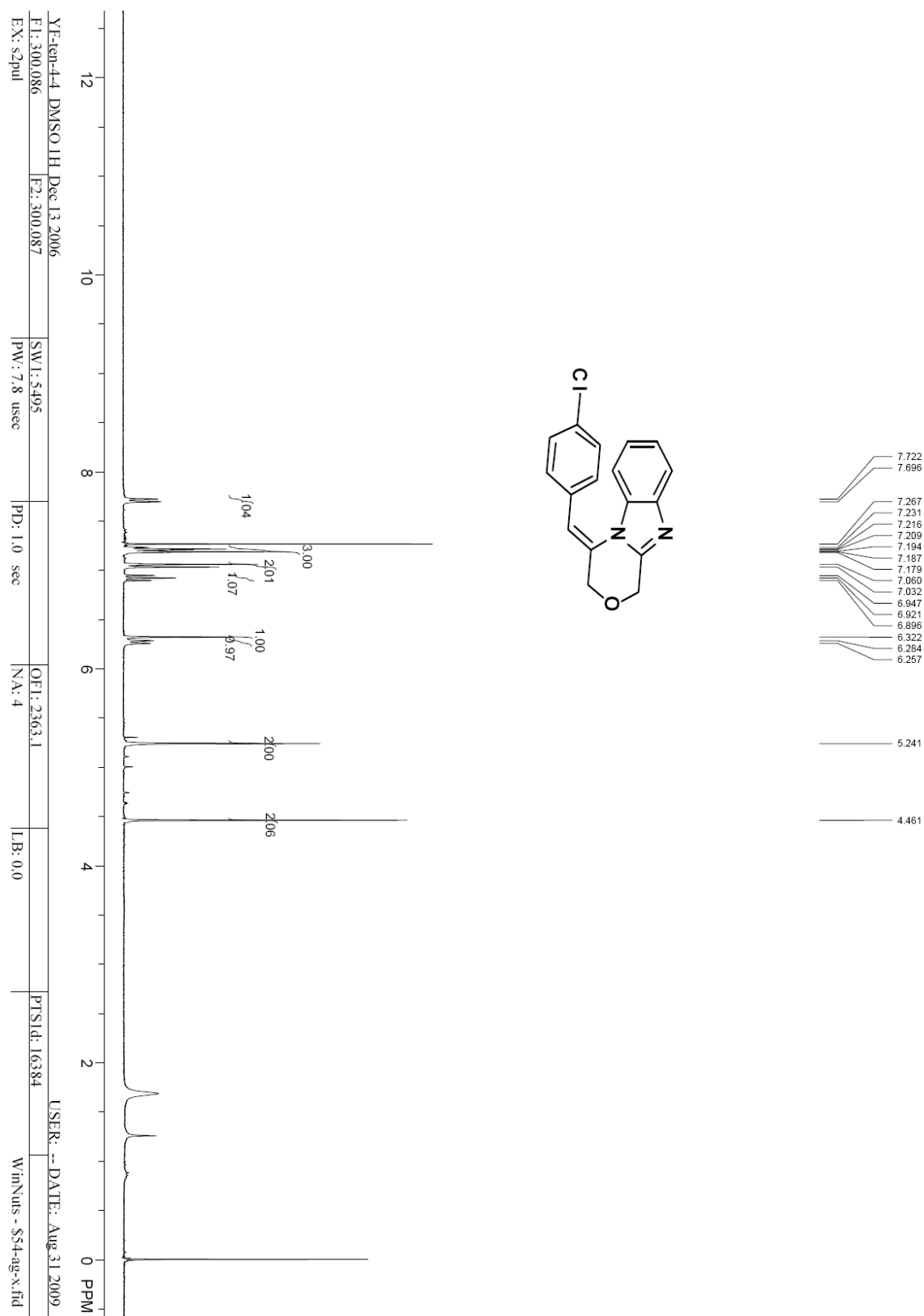


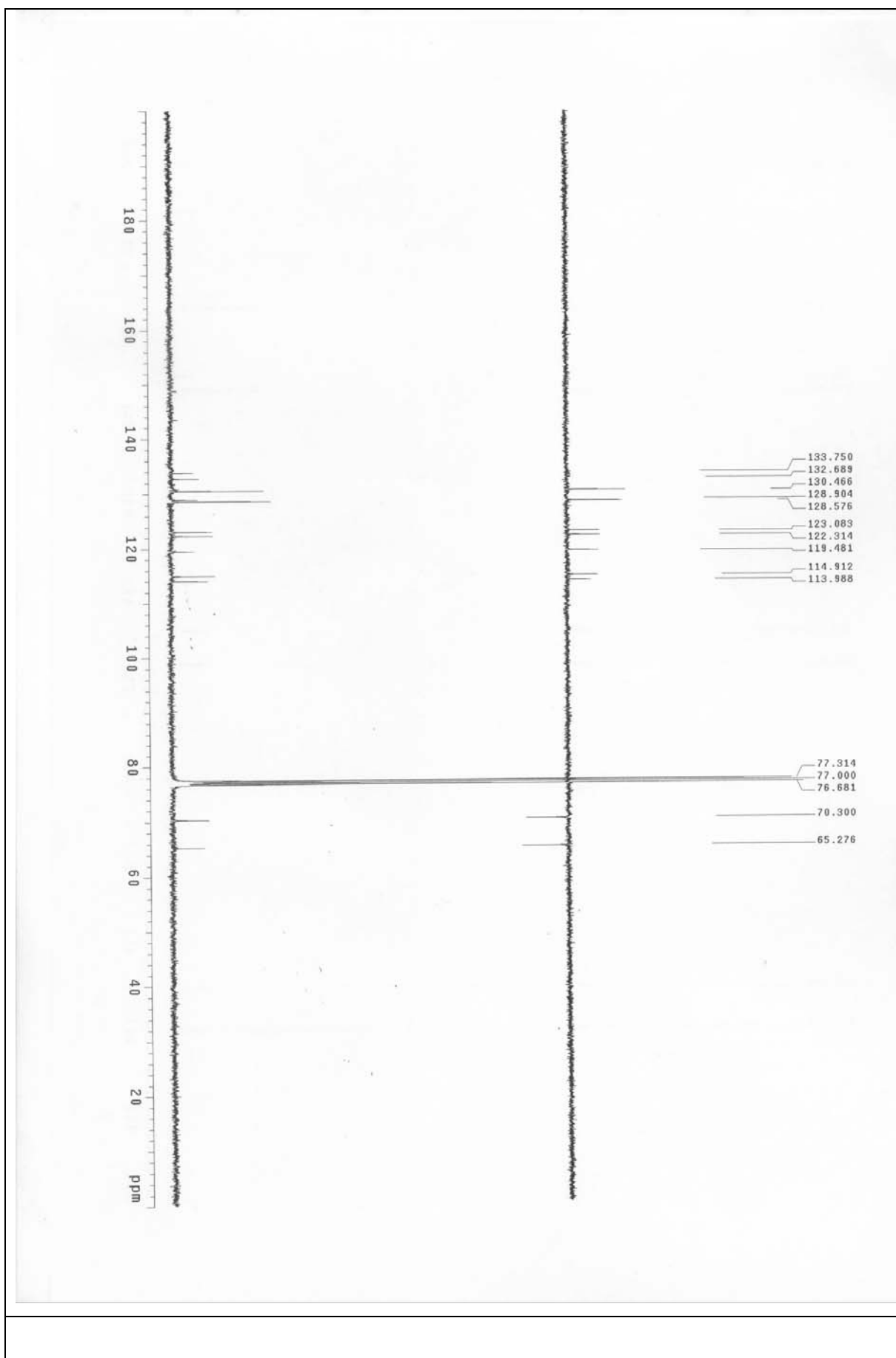
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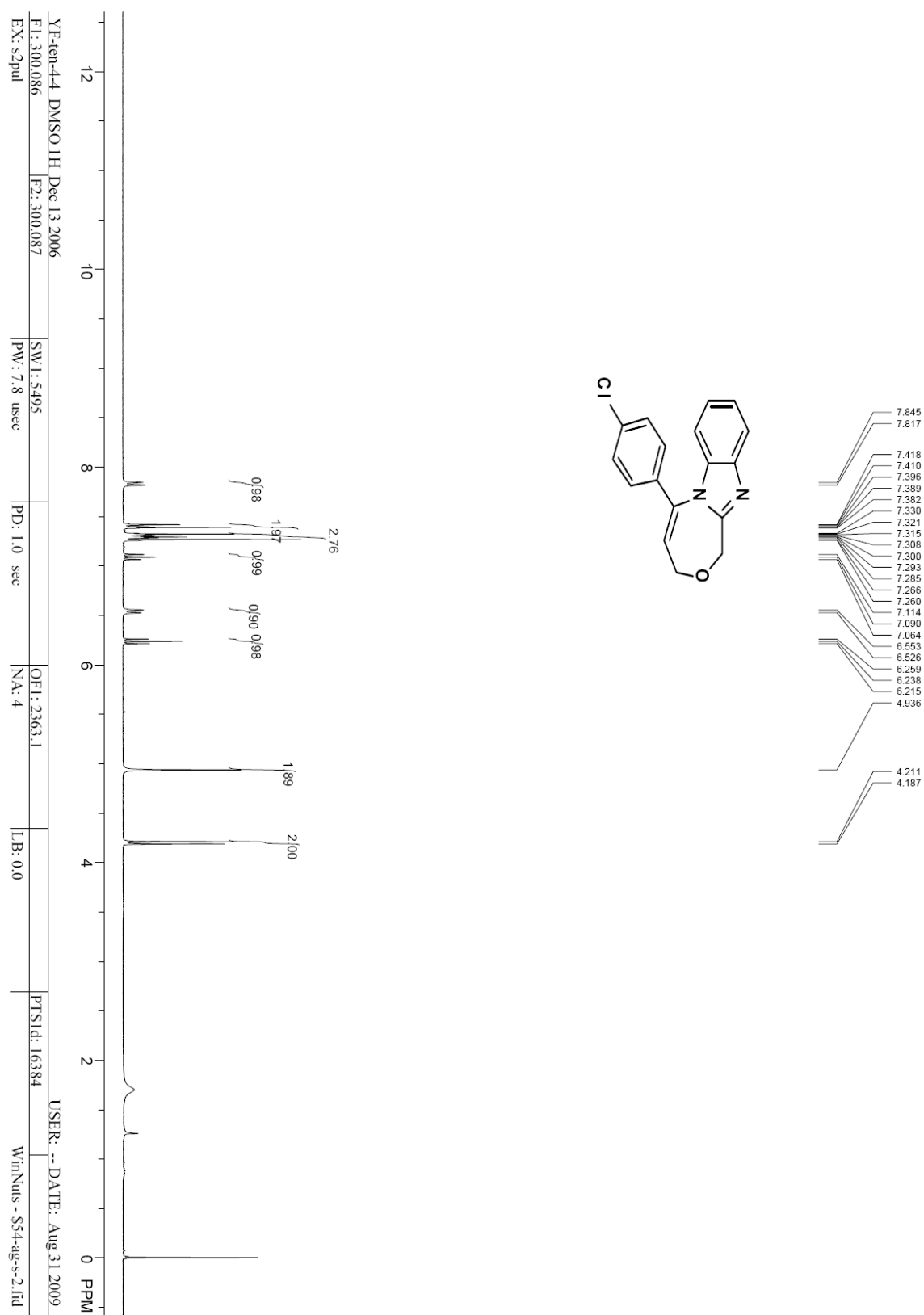


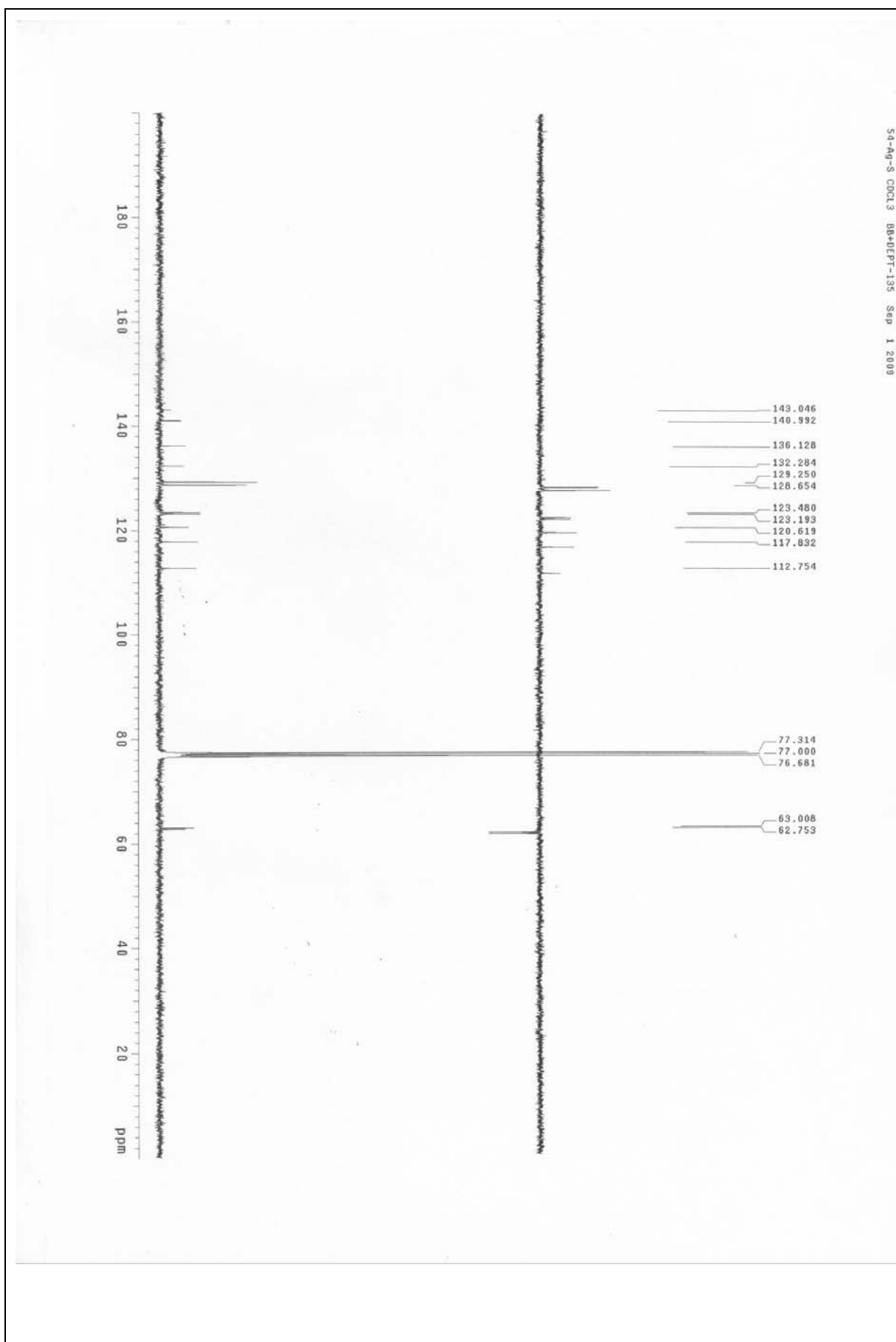
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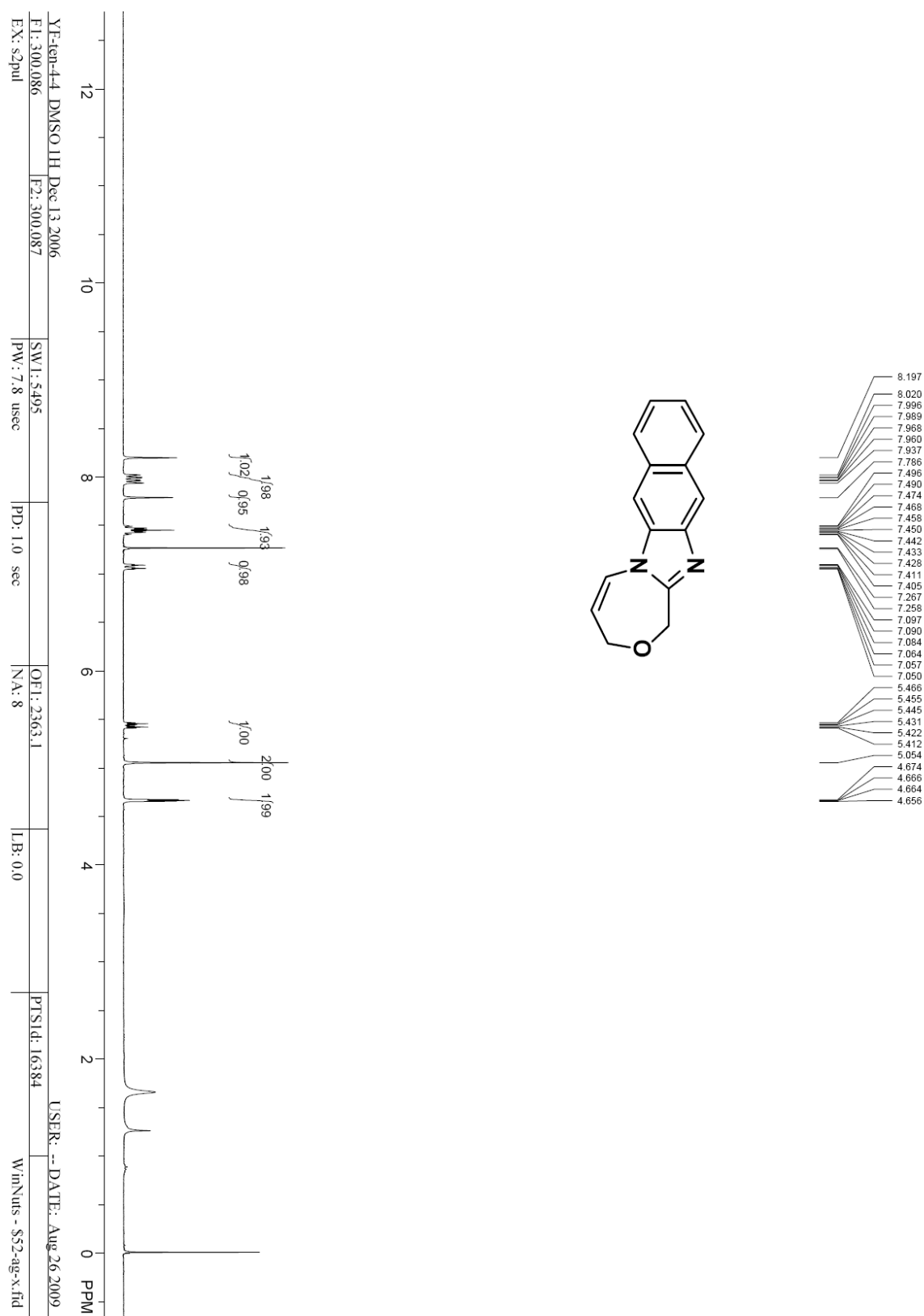


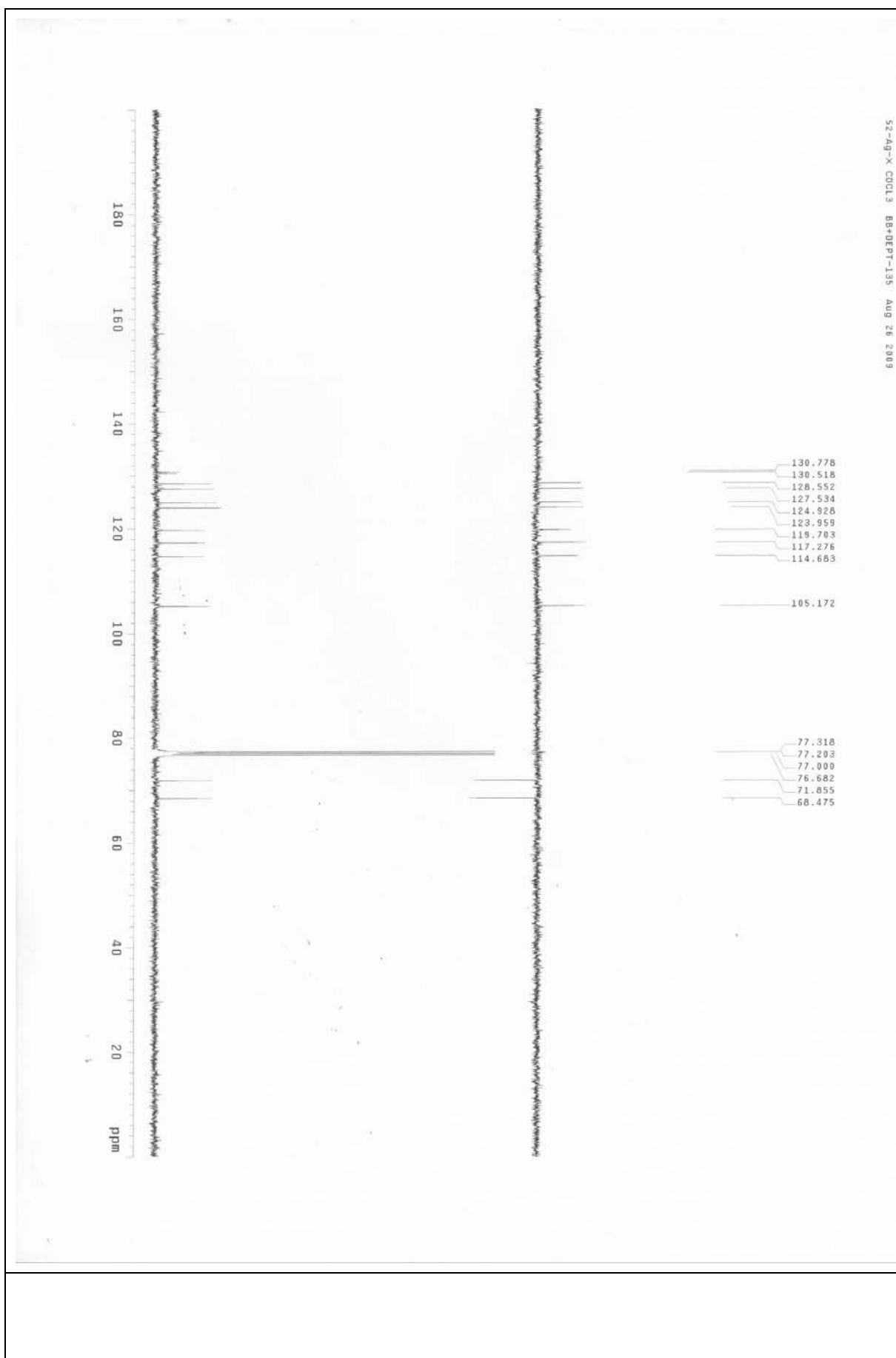
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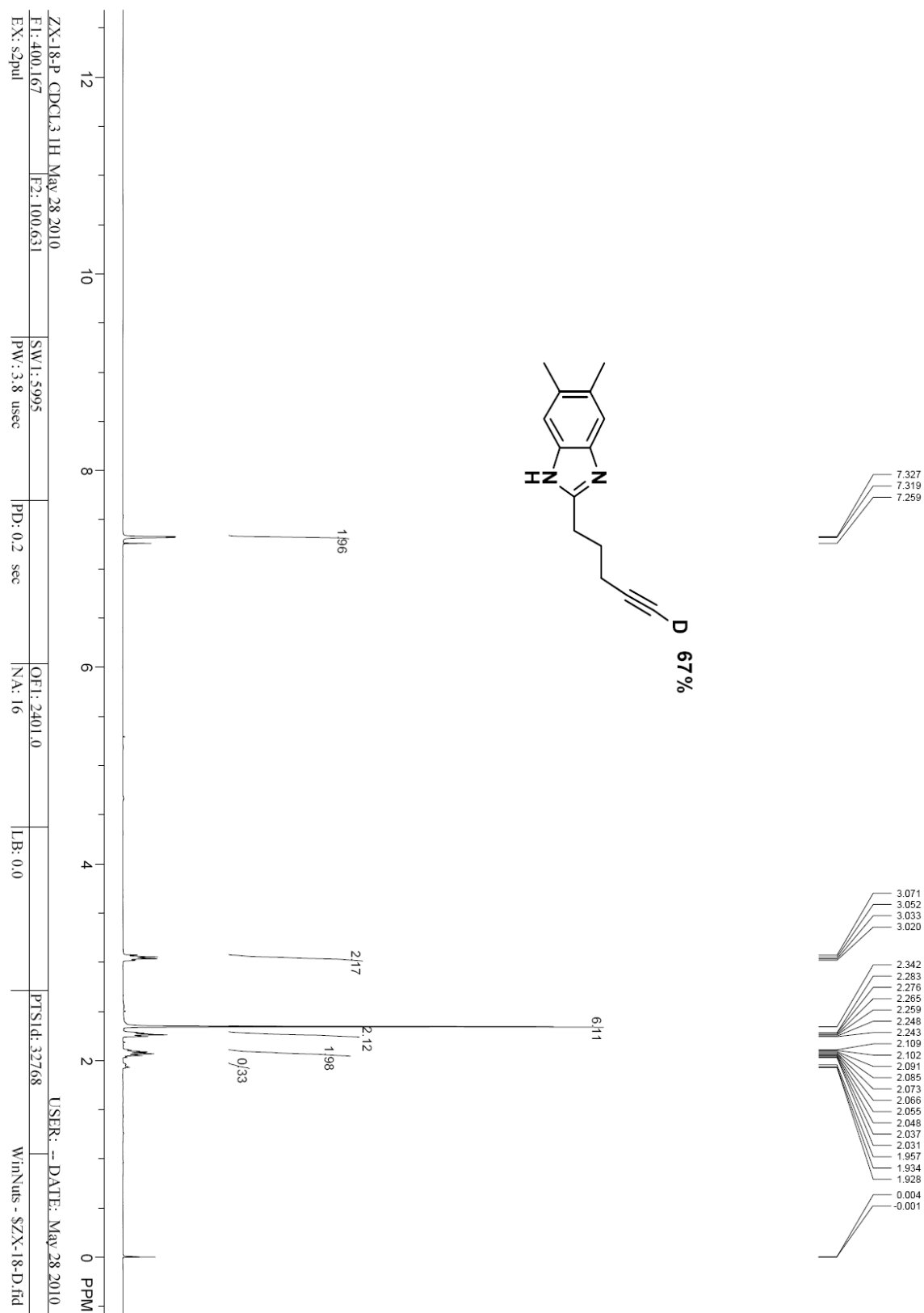


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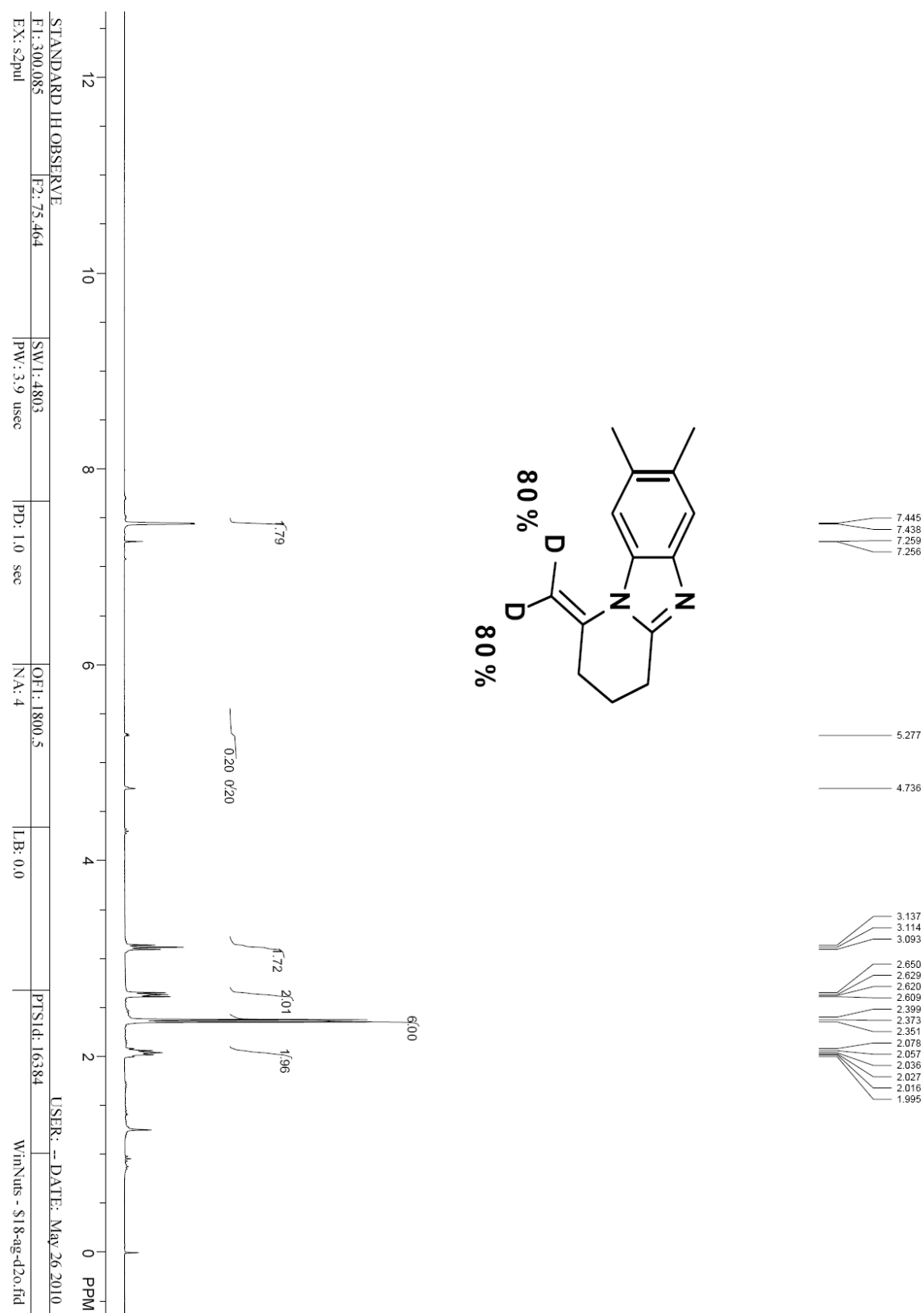




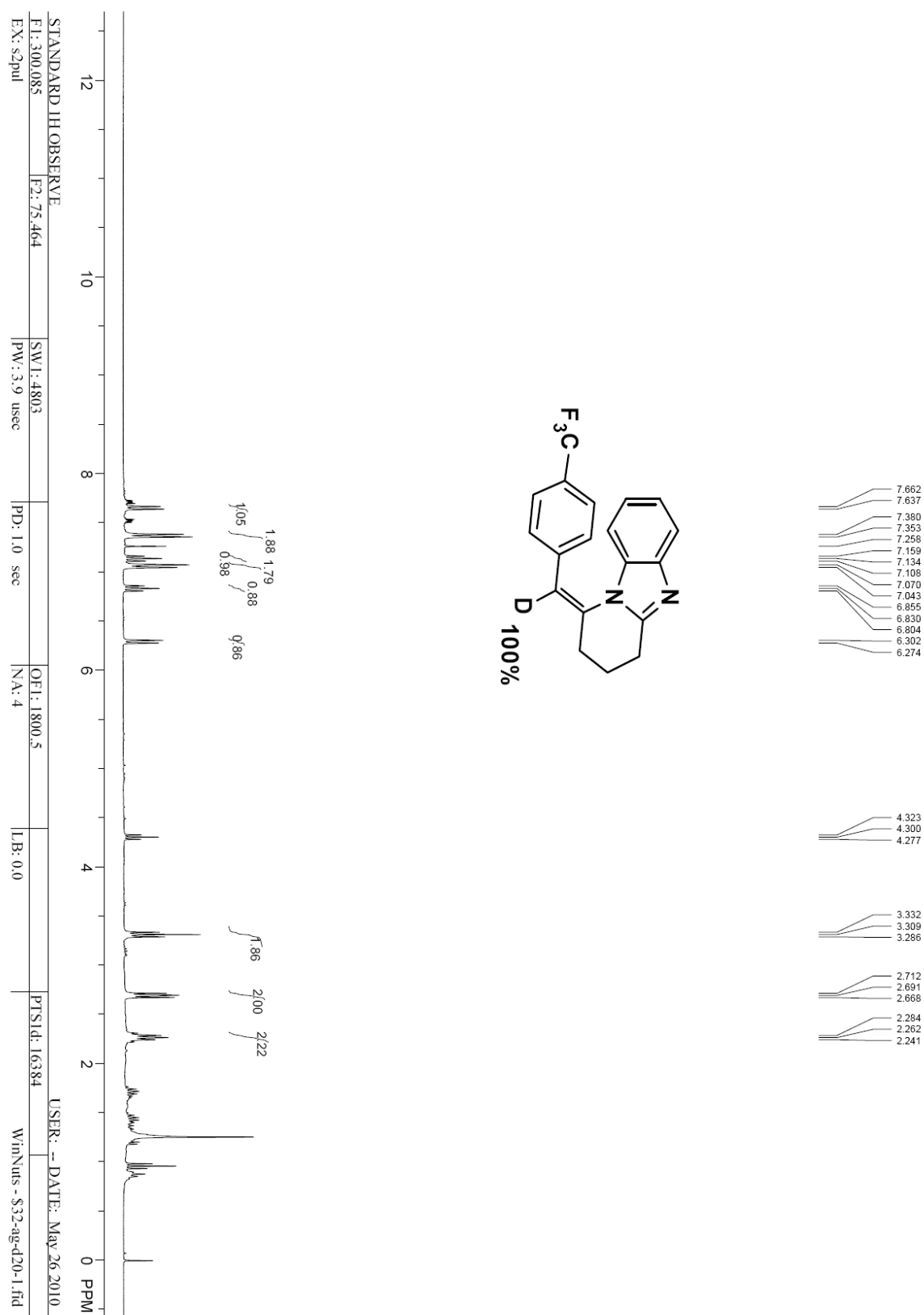
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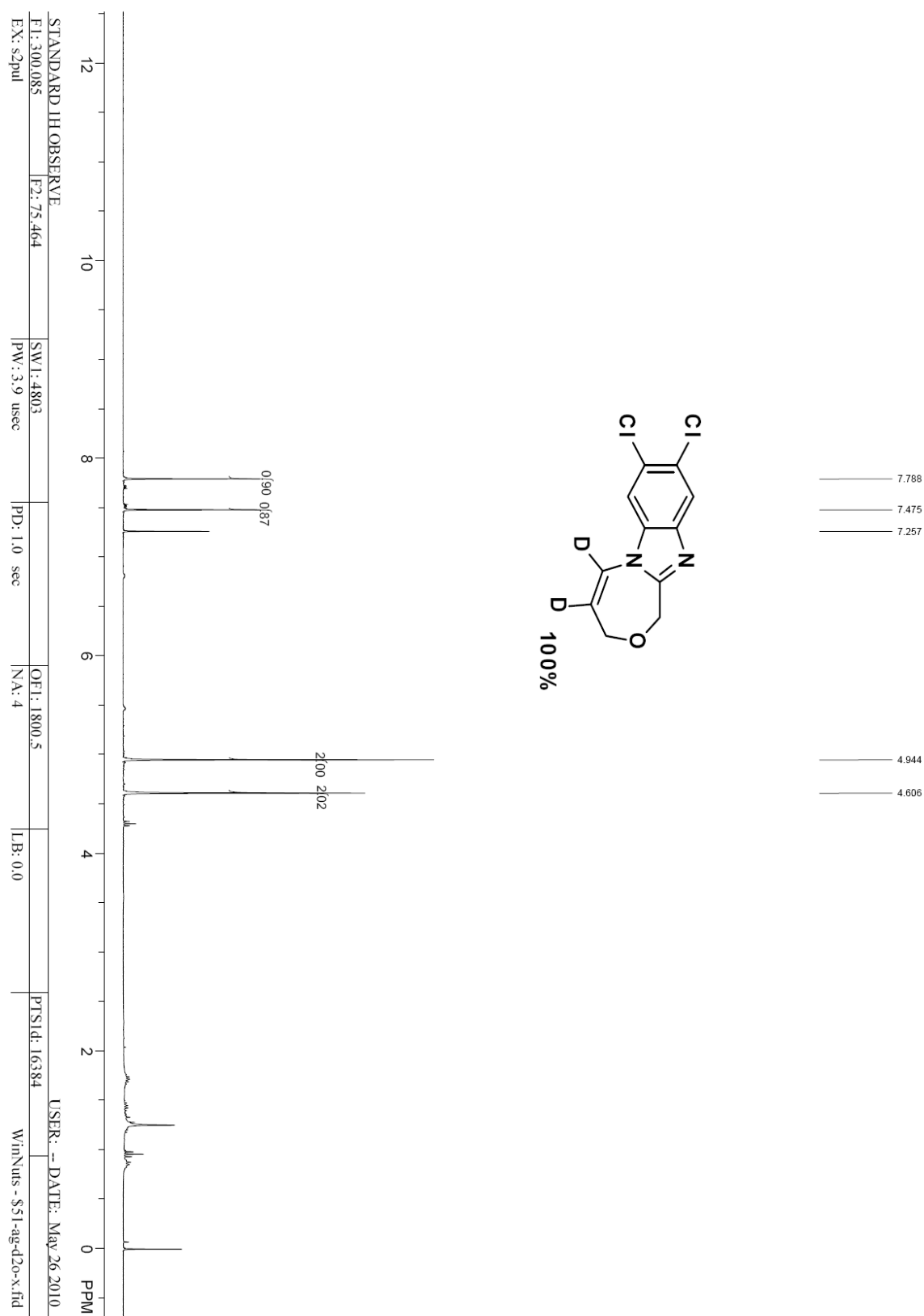
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