

Supporting information

## Heteropolyanion-Based Ionic Liquids Catalysed Conversion of Cellulose into Formic Acid without Any Additives

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**Figure S6.** H-NMR of IL-5

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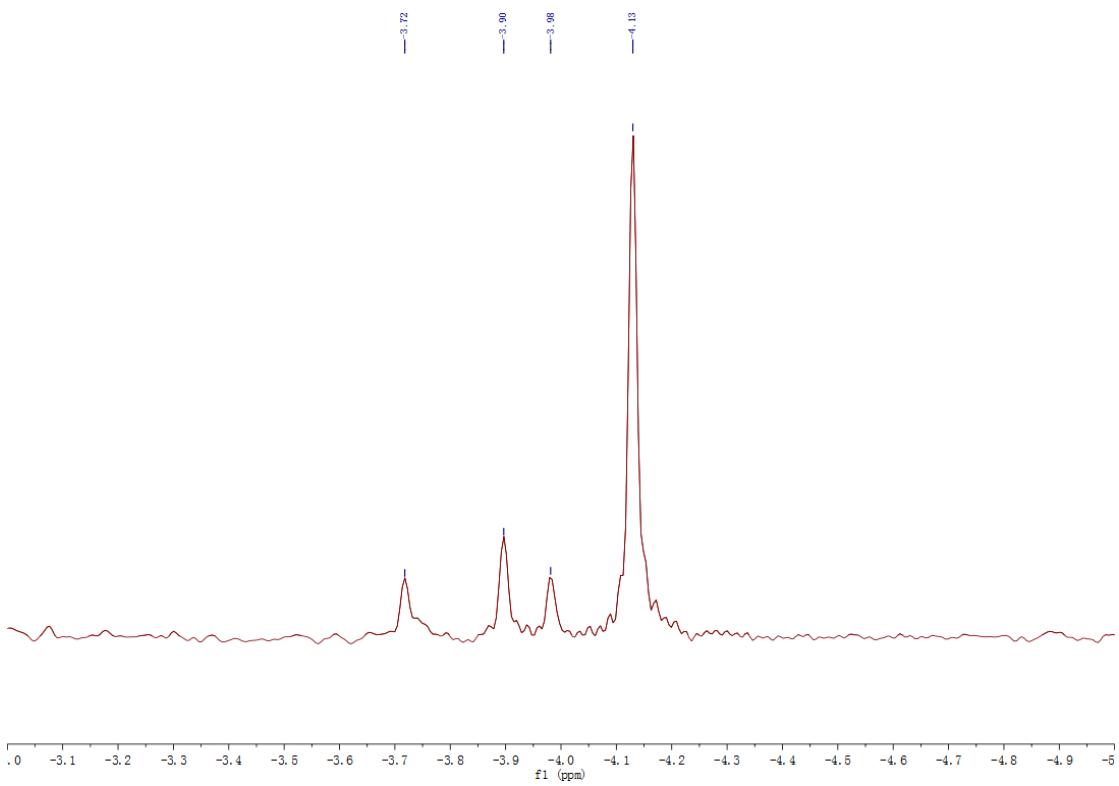
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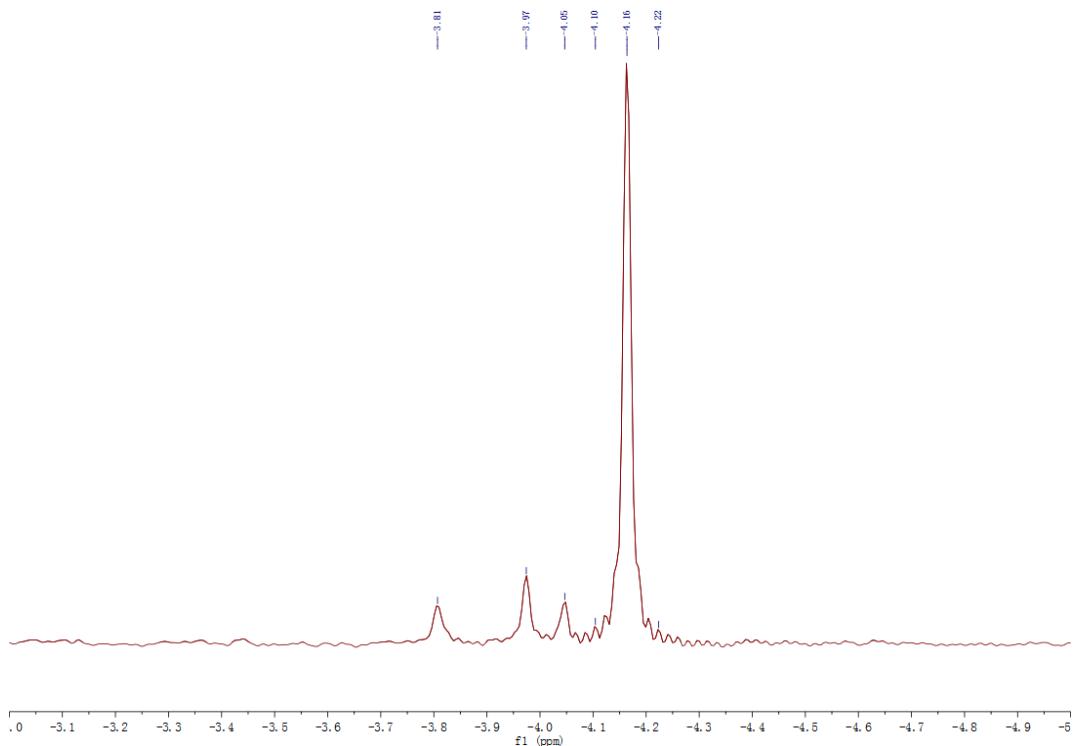
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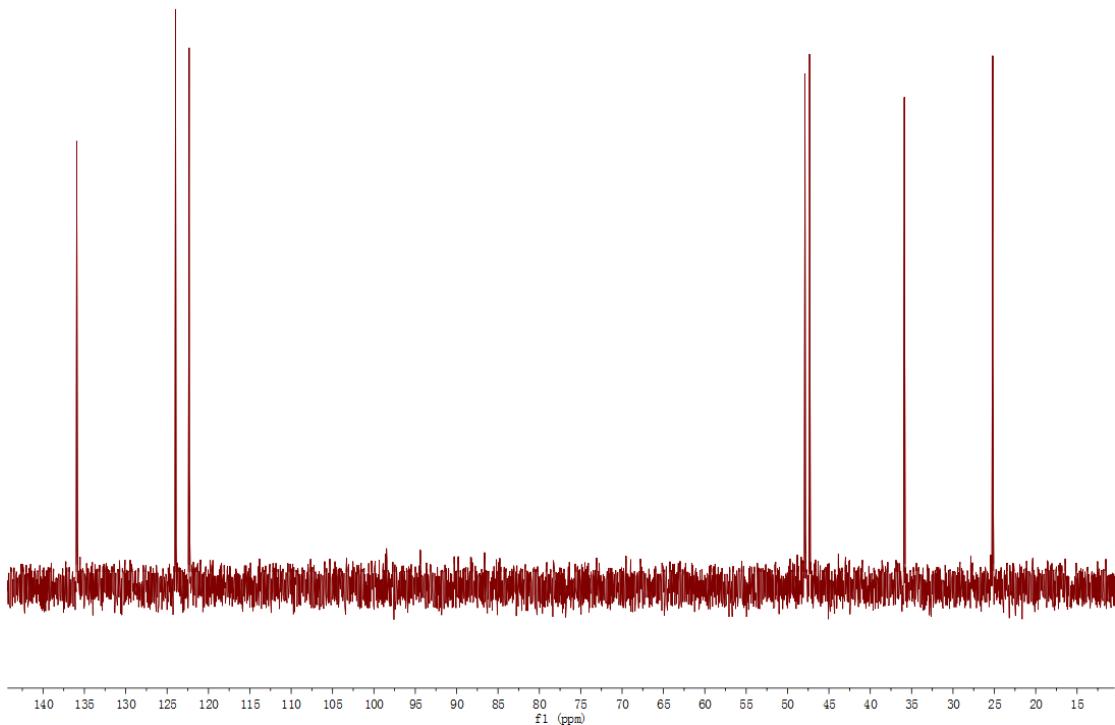
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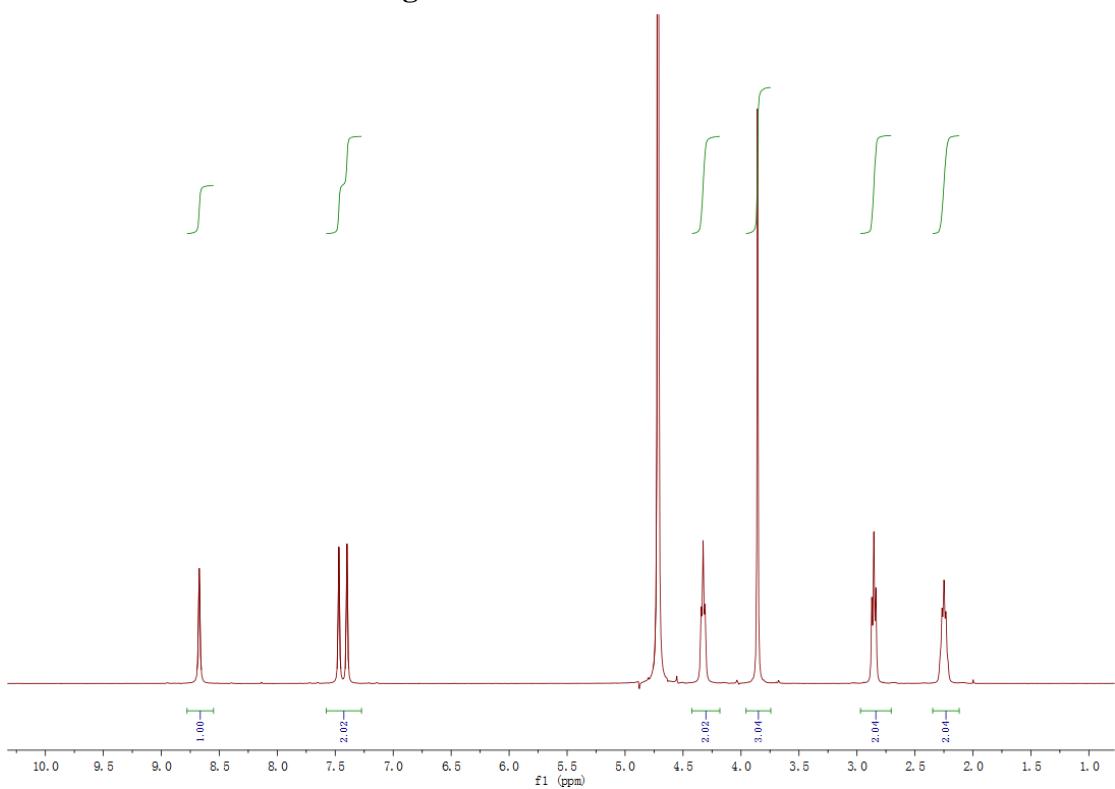
**Figure S1.**  $^{31}\text{P}$ -NMR of H4



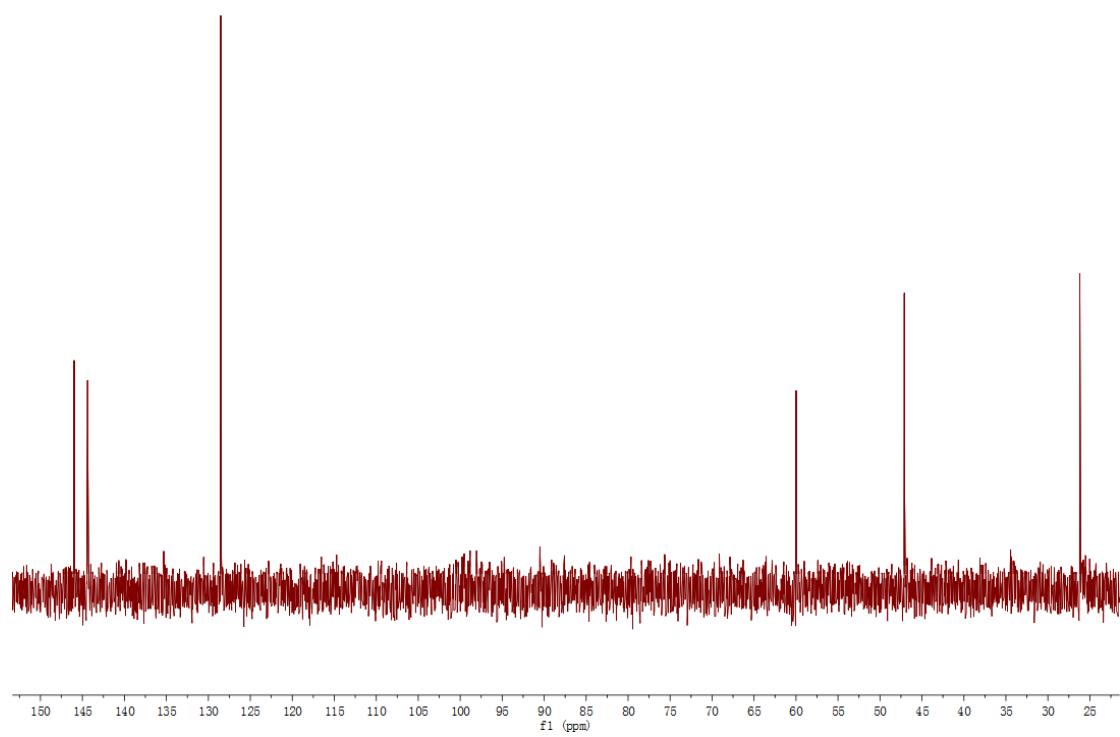
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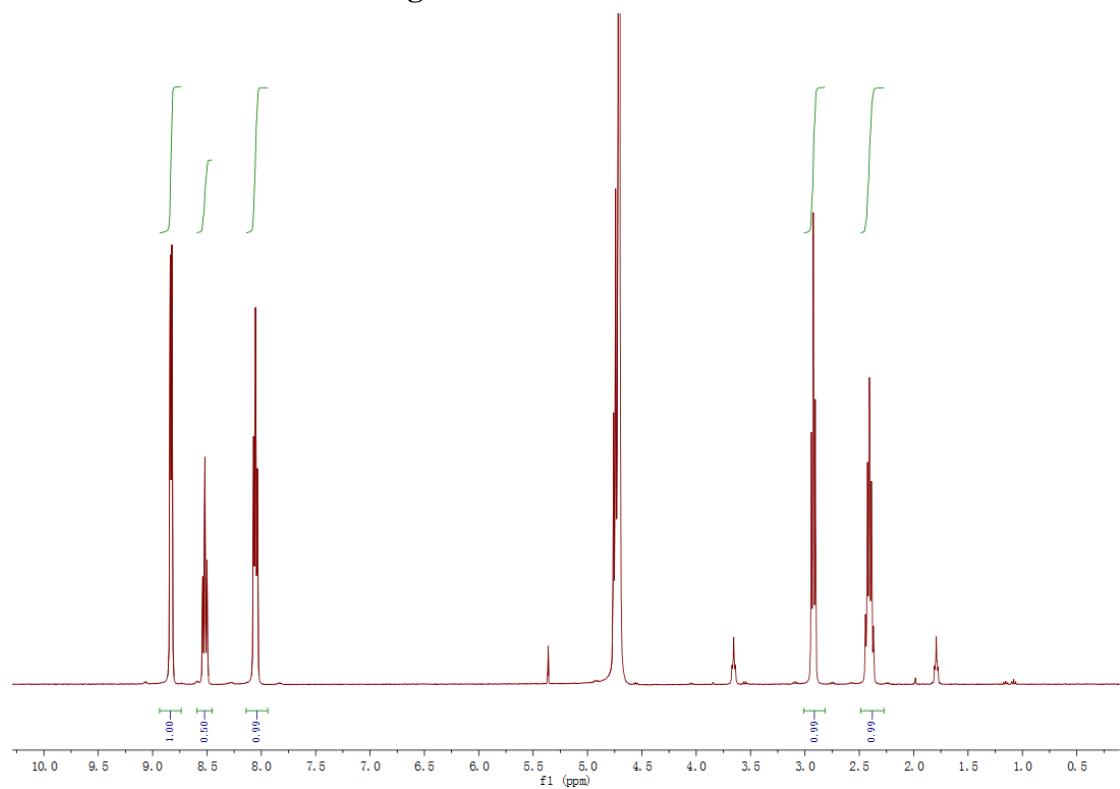
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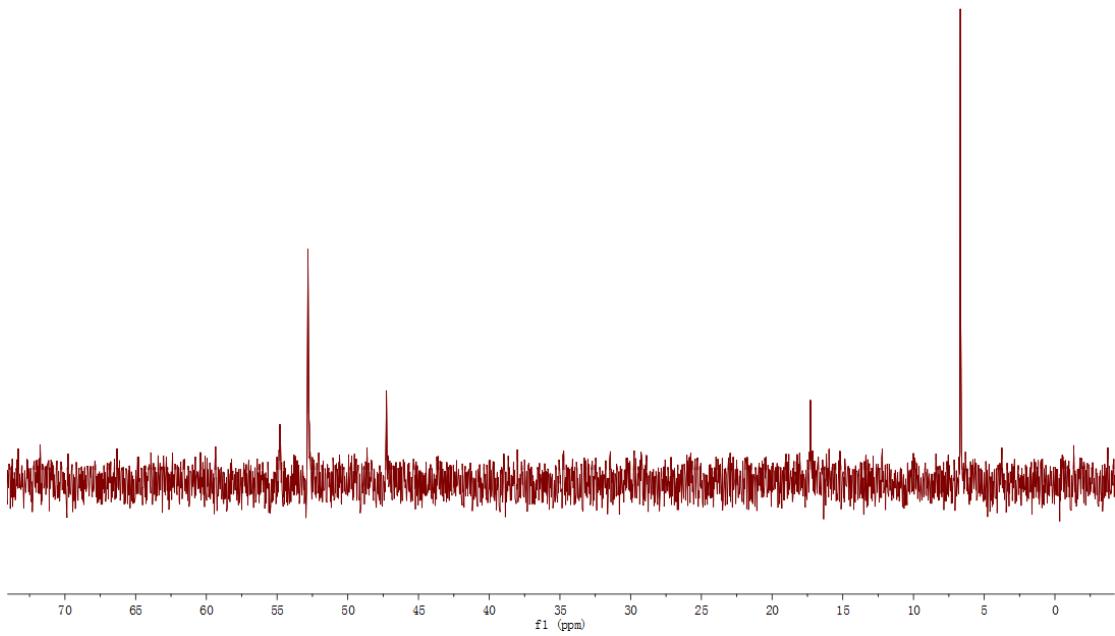
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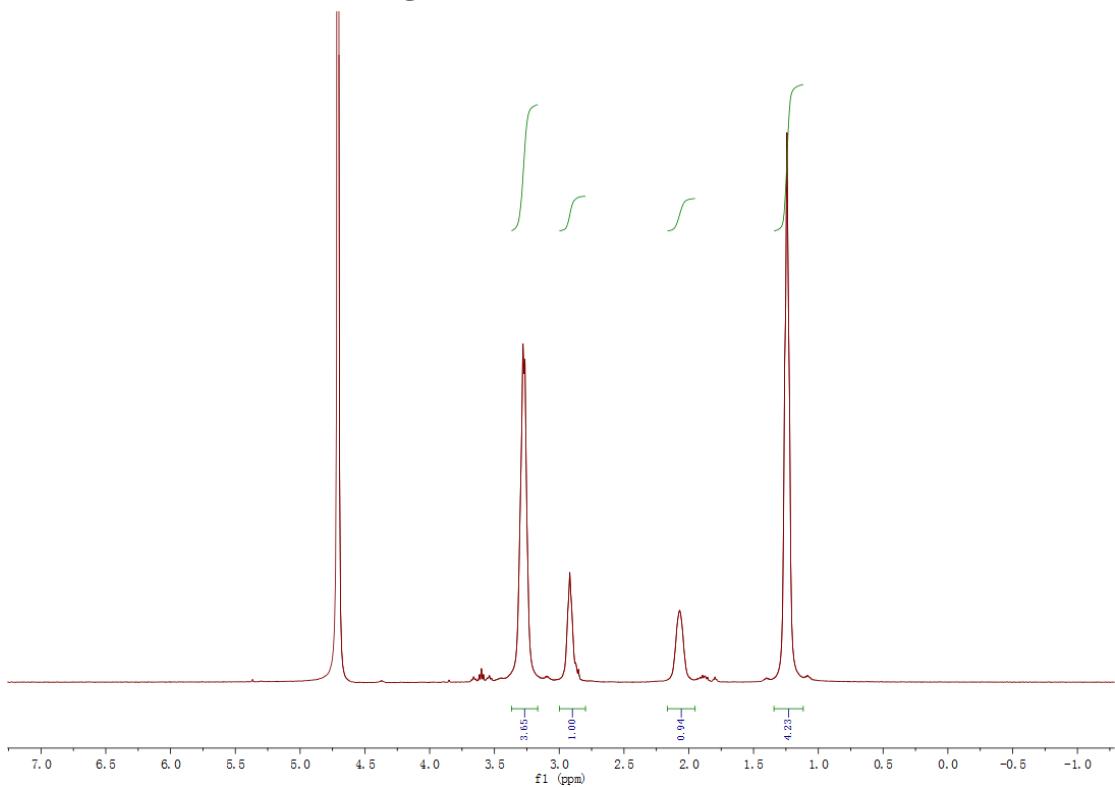
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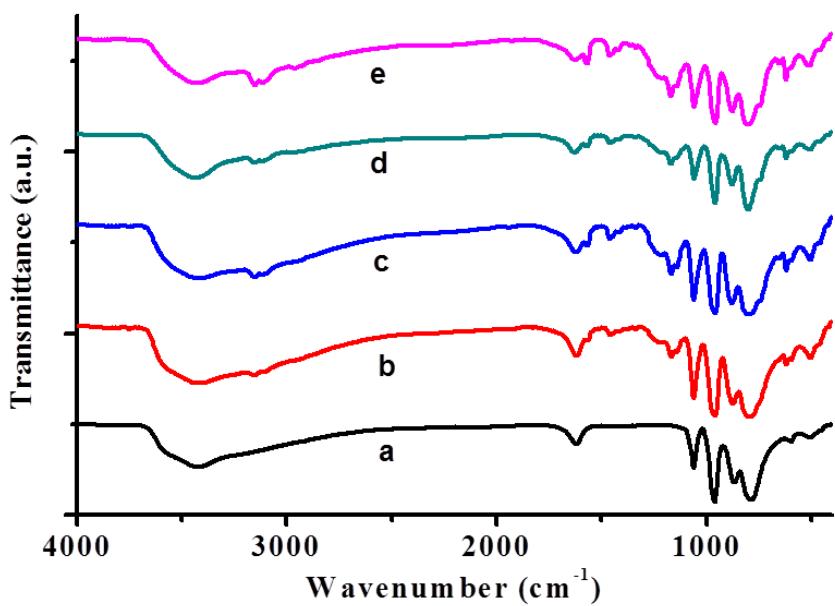
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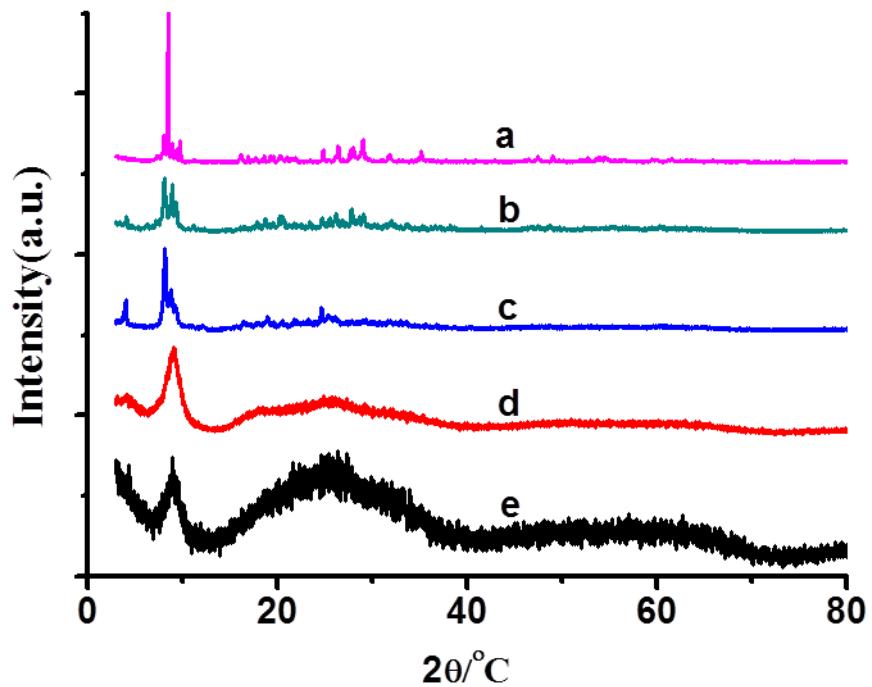
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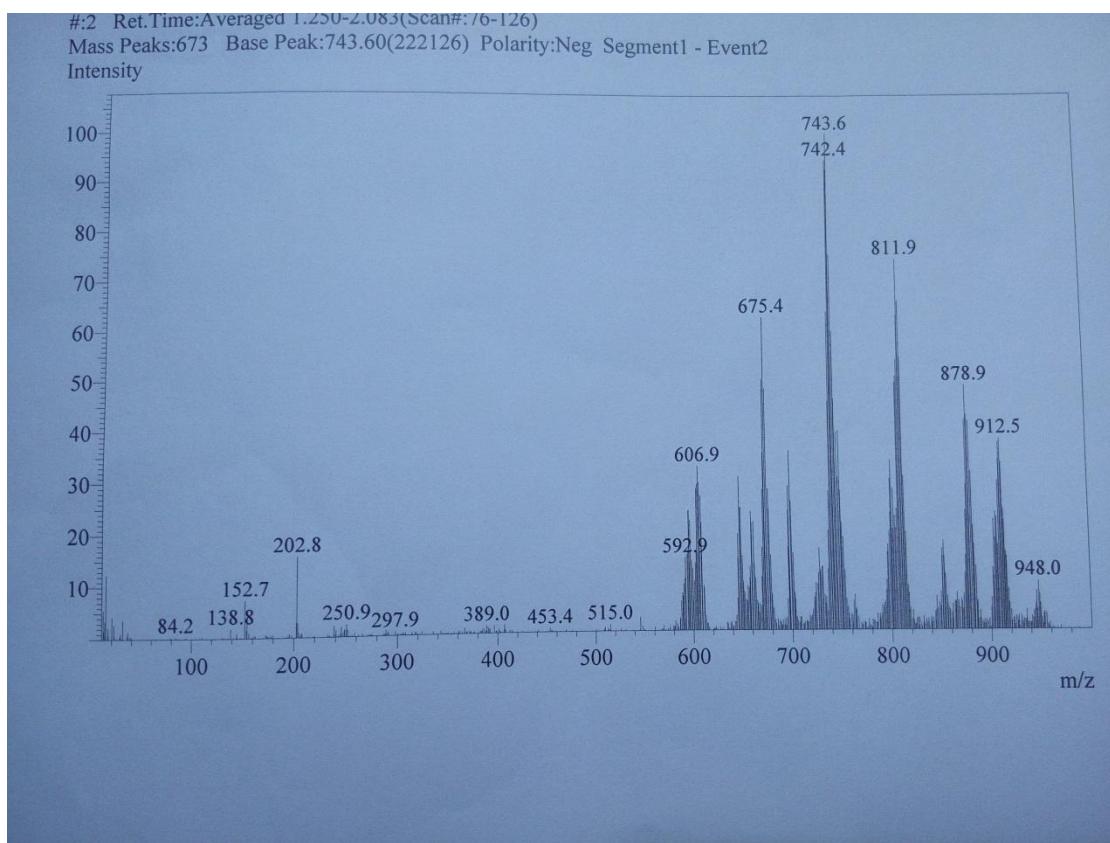
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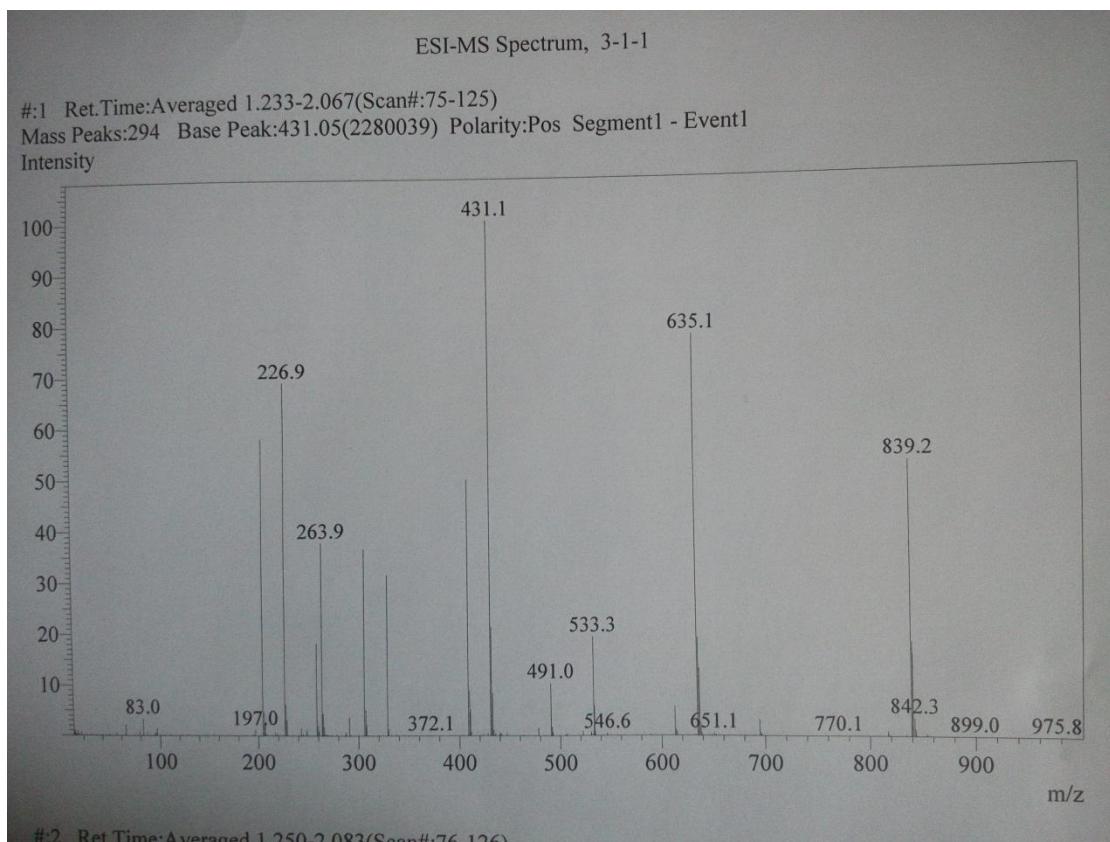
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