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**Poly(vinyl)chloride supported palladium nanoparticles: Catalyst for  
rapid hydrogenation reactions**

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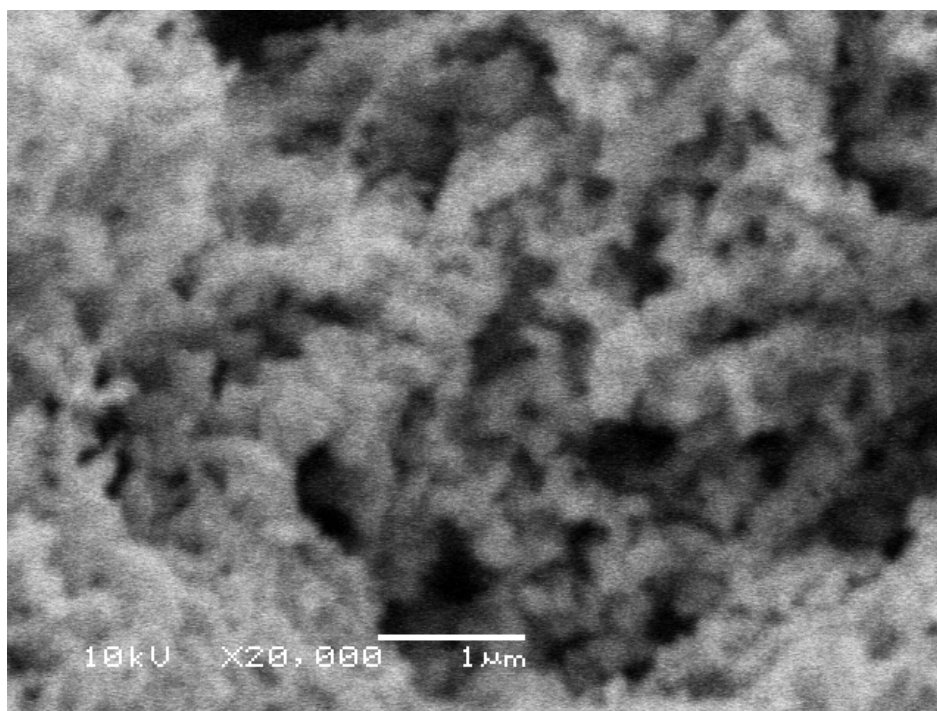
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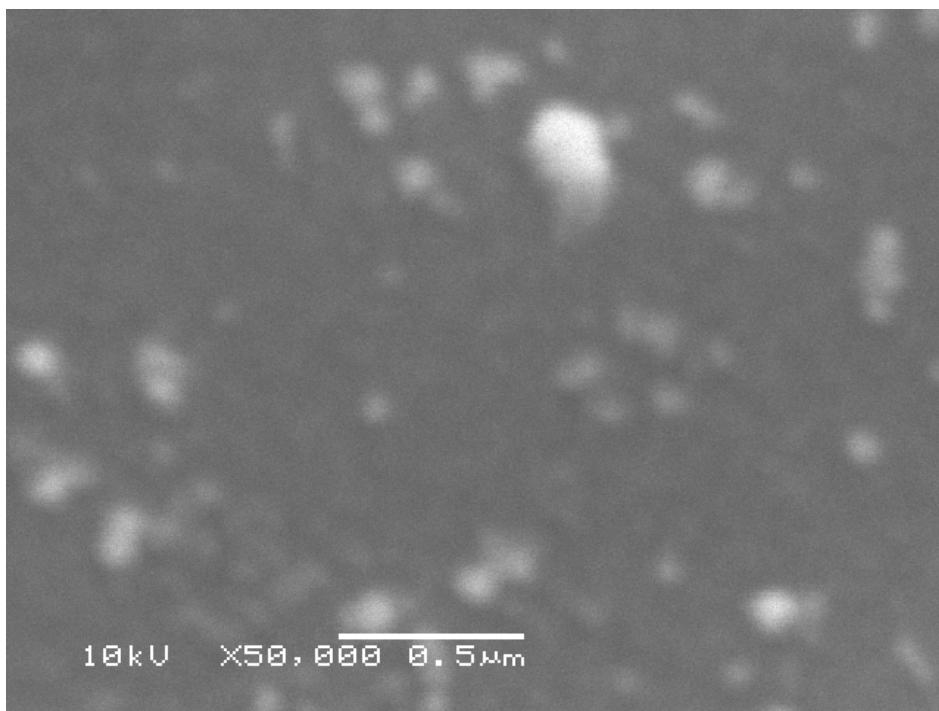
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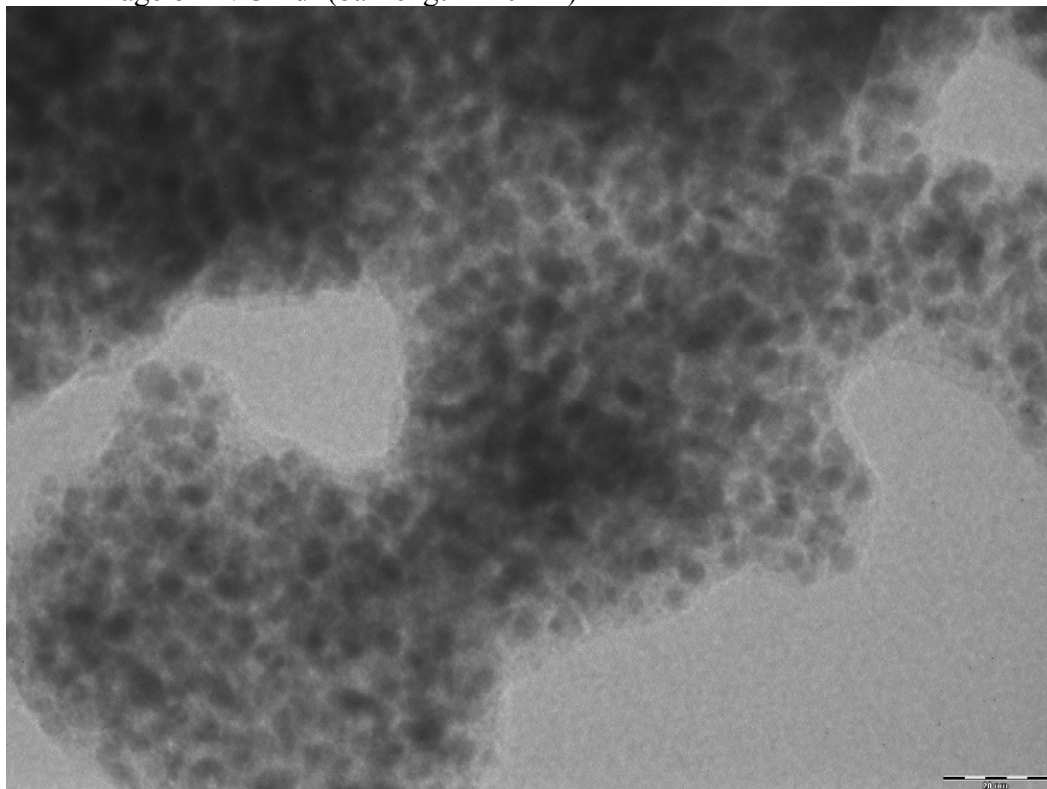
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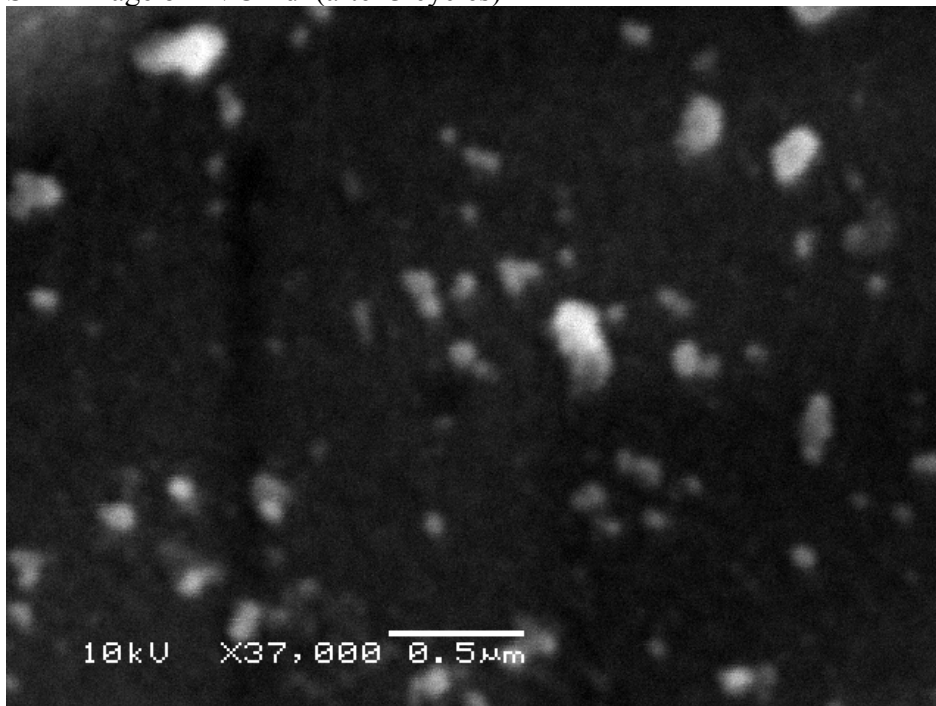
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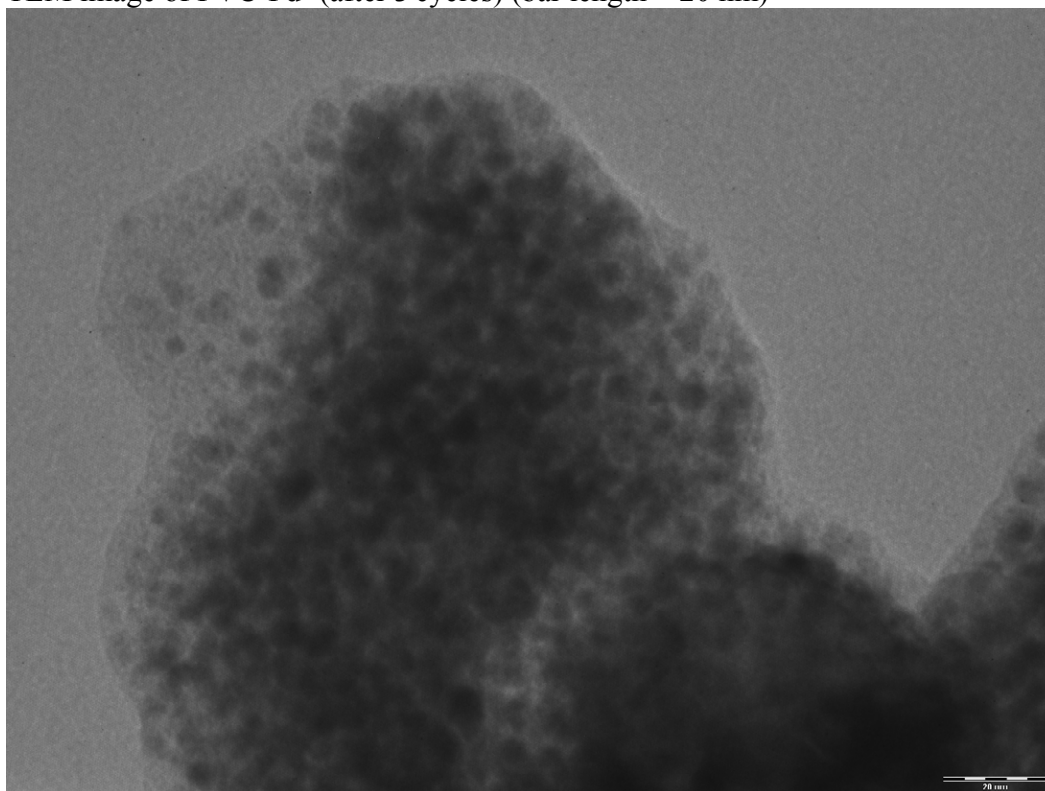
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SEM image of PVC-Pd<sup>0</sup> (after 3 cycles)



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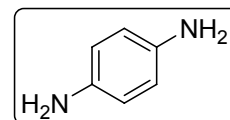
### General remarks:

$^1\text{H}$  NMR and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR were recorded on a Bruker AMX 400 MHz instrument with tetramethyl silane (TMS) as an internal standard. Mass spectra were recorded on high resolution mass spectra (HRMS) Q-ToF micro mass spectrometer. All the reactions were monitored using TLCs with precoated silica gel plates purchased from Merck. HPLC analyses were made using Agilent 1100 series having G1311A VWD at  $\lambda=254$  nm or 210 nm, flow 0.5 mL/min, Column: Agilent Eclipse XDB-C18, pore size- $5\mu\text{m}$ , diameter x length =  $4.6 \times 150$  mm; Method: gradient 0.1% TFA water-acetonitrile; acetonitrile 30-70 % in 30 min or 40-90 % in 30 min. IR measurements were made on a Nicolet model impact 400 D FT-IR spectrometer (KBr pellets,  $3\text{ cm}^{-1}$  resolution). PVC was purchased from Sigma-Aldrich as granules and used as such.

ICP-OES data were obtained from Shiva Analyticals (India) Ltd., Bangalore 562114, India using Perkin Elmer OPTIMA 5300DV. In brief, known quantity of sample was weighed into a beaker, digested in aquaregia, cooled and made up to a known volume. The instrument was calibrated with NIST traceable standard and aspirated the sample solution by ICP-OES.

### Characterization data for selected compounds:

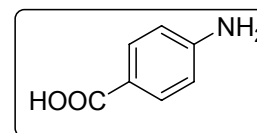
**Benzene-1,4-diamine** (Table 1, entry 1): Solid, m.p.  $137-139\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  (reported:  $138-143$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 3.72 (4H, br), 6.21 (4H, d,  $J = 5.4$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 200 MHz)  $\delta$ :



121.2, 137.6. ESI-MS Calcd for  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_8\text{N}_2$ : 108.06; found: 109.20 (M+H) $^+$ .

**4-aminobenzoic acid** (Table 1, entry 2): Solid, m.p.  $190-192\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  (reported:  $187-189\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ );

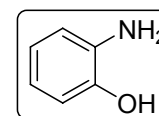
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 3.21 (2H, s), 6.57 (2H, d,  $J = 5.8$  Hz), 7.12 (2H, d,  $J = 4.4$  Hz), 10.31 (1H, s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 200 MHz)  $\delta$ : 119.3, 126.2, 133.6, 141.5, 171.0; HR-



MS Calcd for  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_7\text{NaNO}_2$ : 160.0374; found: 160.0377 [M+Na] $^+$ .

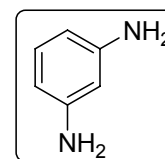
**2-amiophenol** (Table 1, entry 3): Solid, m.p.  $170-173\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  ( $170-175\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 3.23 (2H, s), 4.72 (1H, s), 6.31-6.72 (4H, m);

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 200 MHz)  $\delta$ : 117.2, 119.3, 123.4, 125.9, 132.1,

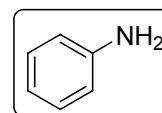


143.0; ES-MS Calcd for  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_7\text{NO}$ : 109.05, found: 110.12 (M+H).

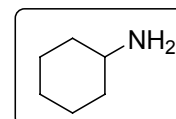
**Benzene-1,3-diamine** (Table 1, entry 4): Solid, m.p. 64-65 °C (reported 64-66 °C); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 400 MHz) δ: 4.11 (4H, s), 5.61 (1H, s), 5.97-6.14 (3H, m); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 200 MHz) δ: 106.7, 110.1, 132.2, 144.9.



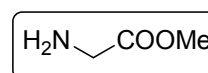
**Aniline** (Table 1, entry 5): Liquid. ESI-MS Calcd for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>7</sub>N: 93.13; found 94.0 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>.



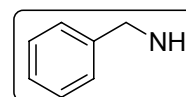
**Cyclohexylamine** (Table 1, entry 6): Liquid; Completion of reaction was confirmed through IR analysis.



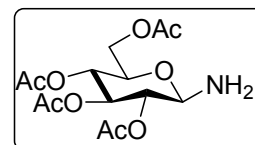
**Methyl-2-aminoacetate** (Table 1, entry 7): Gum. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 400 MHz) δ: 3.65 (3H, s), 3.92 (2H, m), 6.11 (2H, br); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (200 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>) δ: 40.2, 51.6, 169.2; HR-MS Calcd for C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>NNaO<sub>2</sub>: 112.0374; found: 112.0360 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>.



**Benzylamine** (Table 1, entry 8): Liquid, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ: 3.66 (2H, m), 6.21 (2H, br), 7.01-7.21 (5H, m); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz) δ: 52.0, 125.5, 127.9, 128.4, 139.3.

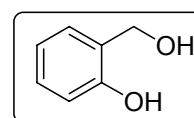


**(2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl-β-D-glucopyranosyl-1-amine** (Table 1, entry 9): Gum; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ: 2.01-2.46 (12H, 4s), 4.12 (1H, m), 4.62 (1H, q), 4.99 (2H, d, *J* = 4.6 Hz), 5.50 (1H, t, *J* = 3.3 Hz), 5.73 (2H, m); HR-MS Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NNaO<sub>9</sub>: 370.1114; found: 370.1127 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>.

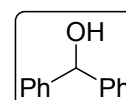


**Benzylalcohol** (Table 1, entry 10): Liquid; Quantitative disappearance of aldehyde signal (1722 cm<sup>-1</sup>) confirmed the completion of reaction.

**2-(hydroxymethyl)phenol** (Table 1, entry 11): Solid, m.p. 81-84 °C (reported: 81-83 °C); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ: 4.62 (2H, s), 5.13-5.24 (2H, br), 6.65-7.13 (4H, m); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz) δ: 55.3, 120.3, 126.2, 128.1, 129.3, 129.8, 151.5; ES-MS Calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 124.05; found 125.1 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>.

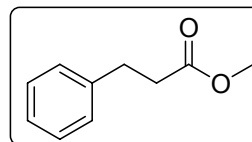


**3-methylbutan-1-ol** (Table 1, entry 12): Liquid; Complete disappearance of the aldehyde signal (1731 cm<sup>-1</sup>) was confirmed as the end point of the reaction.



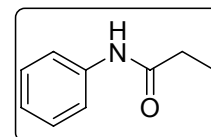
**Diphenylmethanol** (Table 1, entry 13): ES-MS Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O:184.23; found: 185.12 (M+H)<sup>+</sup>; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz) δ: 75.2, 128.3, 128.9, 129.1.

**Methyl 3-phenylpropanoate** (Table 1, entry 14): Solid; m.p. 142-145 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ: 2.45-2.66 (4H, m), 3.67 (3H, s), 7.11-7.44 (5H, m); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz) δ: 29.2, 36.3, 52.3, 123.2, 127.6, 128.1, 139.2, 172.5; HR-MS Calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>12</sub>NaO<sub>2</sub>: 187.0735; found 187.0754 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>.

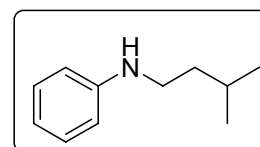


**N-propanol** (Table 1, entry 15): Liquid; Complete disappearance of alkyne signal (2121 cm<sup>-1</sup>) in the IR spectrum was confirmed as the end point.

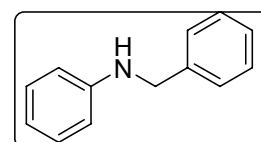
**N-phenylpropionamide** (Table 1, entry 16): Solid; m.p. 123-126 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ: 1.21 (3H, t, J = 3.3 Hz), 2.25 (2H, q), 6.22 (1H, br), 7.21-7.54 (5H, m); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz) δ: 15.1, 28.6, 124.8, 127.7, 128.5, 138.6, 173.4; HR-MS Calcd for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NaNO: 172.0738; found: 172.0728 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>.



**N-Isopentylbenzeneamine** (Table 1, entry 17) <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ: 1.01 (6H, d, J = 4.8 Hz), 1.53 (2H, m), 1.78 (1H, m), 3.51 (2H, m), 6.41-6.62 (5H, m); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz): 21.6, 24.8, 41.1, 43.4, 112.9, 119.8, 132.0, 139.9; HR-MS Calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NNa: 186.1259; found: 186.1269 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>.



**N-benzylbenzenamine** (Table 1, entry 18): <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) δ: 4.16 (2H, d), 5.42 (1H, br), 6.61-6.83 (10 H, m); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 200 MHz): δ 46.2, 113.1, 118.5, 125.5, 127.6, 127.9, 128.8, 139.8, 141.0; HR-MS Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NNa: 206.0946; found: 206.0955 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>.



### Physical data for the products listed in Table 2 of the MS

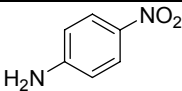
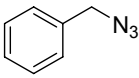
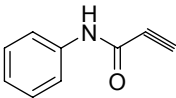
Entry	Product	m.p.(°C)		HPLC Purity
		Reported	Obtained	
1	H-Phe-OH	270-275	272-276	99%
2	H-Lys(Boc)OH	250 (dec)	249 (dec)	97%
3	Fmoc-Pro-OH	117-118	115-116	98%

4	Fmoc-Leu-OH	152-156	155-158	100%
5	Boc-Asp-OH	116-118	114-117	95%
6	Boc-His-OH	195	197-198	92%
7	Boc-Tyr-OH	133-135	133-134	100%
8	Boc-Thr-OMe	----	Gum	91%
9	H-Glu-OH	205	205-207	100%
10	Ala(Oxa)	----	122-126	94%

### Recycling efficiency of PVC-Pd<sup>0</sup>

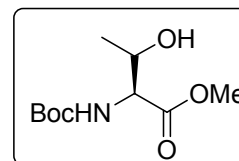
Substrate	Reduction efficiency (isolated yield, duration in min)			
	Fresh catalyst	Catalyst recovered after 1st cycle	Catalyst recovered after 2nd cycle	Catalyst recovered after 3rd cycle
Benzaldehyde	100%, 30 min	100%, 30 min	98%, 35 min	92%, 40 min
<i>O</i> -nitrophenol	95%, 35 min	94%, 35 min	95%, 40 min	90%, 40 min

### Illustrative examples for comparison of efficiency of PVC-Pd<sup>0</sup> over Pd/C

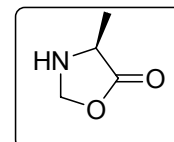
Substrate	Reduction yield, duration	
	With PVC-Pd <sup>0</sup>	With Pd/C
	99%, 35 min	100%, 2.0 h
	96%, 35 min	97%, 2.5 h
	94%, 60 min	82%, 4.2 h
Z-Phe-OH	100%, 30 min	95%, 2.5 h
Z-Glu(OBzl)OH	98%, 80 min	78%, 4.1 h
Z-Ala-Asp(OBzl)- Ser-Gly-OH	78%, 110 min	65%, 5.2 h



**Boc-Thr-OMe** (Table 2, entry 8) Gum;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 1.19 (3H, d,  $J = 5.2$  Hz), 1.27 (9H, s), 3.41 (1H, m), 3.57 (3H, s), 4.21 (1H, m);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 200 MHz):  $\delta$  18.3, 27.9, 53.3, 58.2, 65.9, 80.6, 155.3, 172.0; ESI-MS: Calc for  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_5$ : 233.2; found: 234.5  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ .



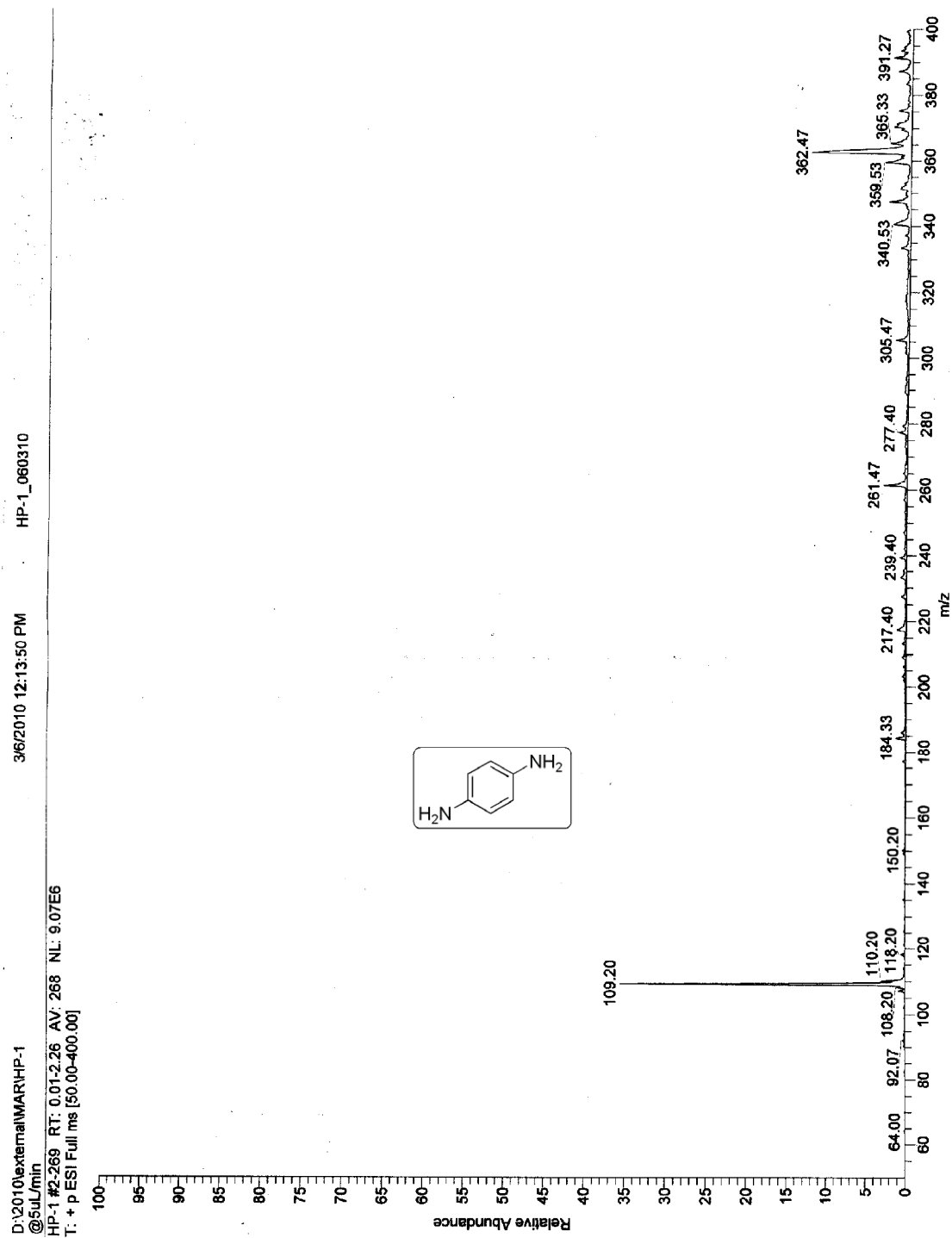
**Ala(Oxa)** (Table 2, entry 10): Solid; m.p. 122-126 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 1.65 (3H, d,  $J = 5.6$  Hz), 3.57 (1H, m), 4.89 (2H, s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 200 MHz):  $\delta$  16.9, 62.6, 79.3, 176.3; HR-MS Calcd for  $\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{NO}_2$ : 102.0555; found 102.0575  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ .

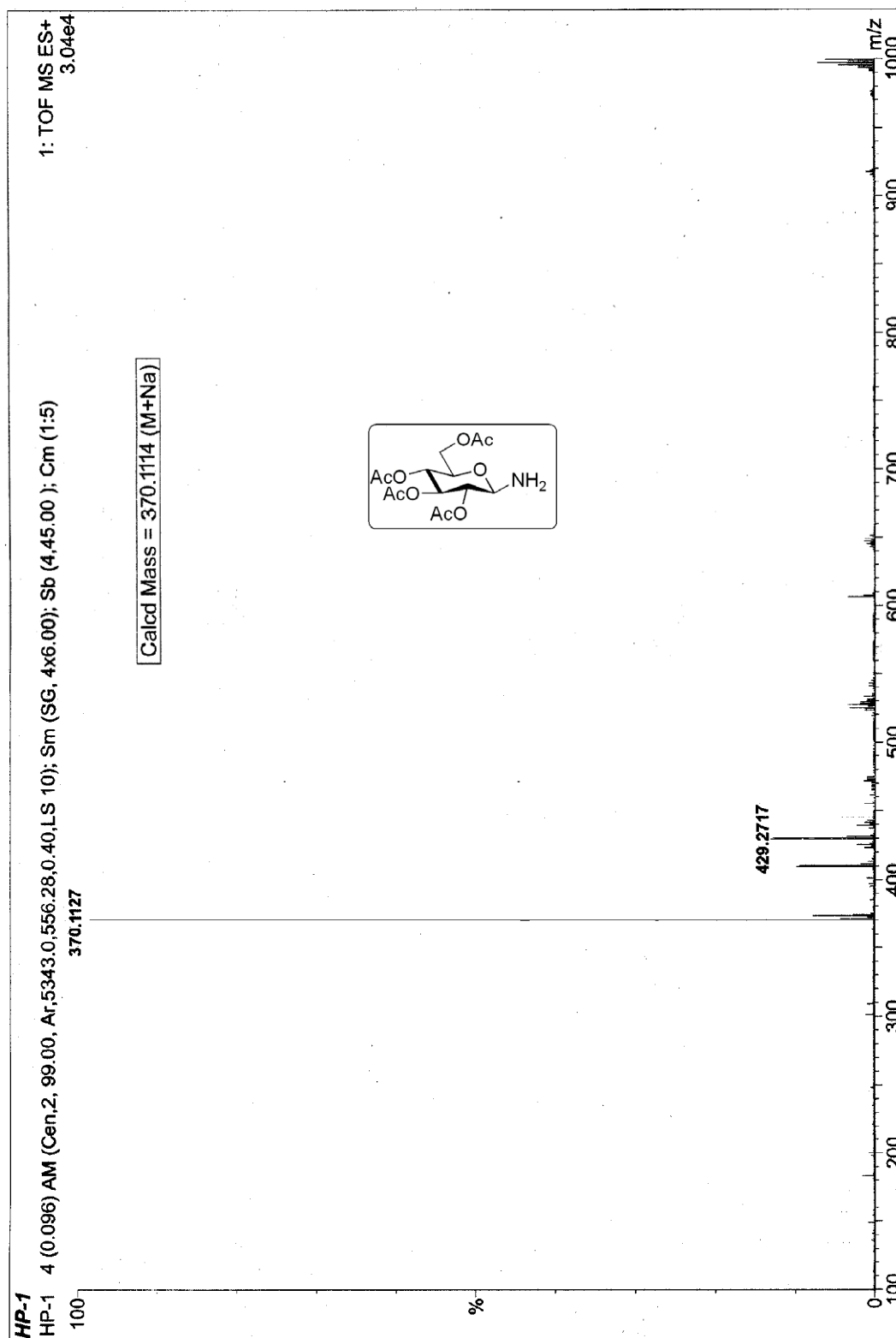


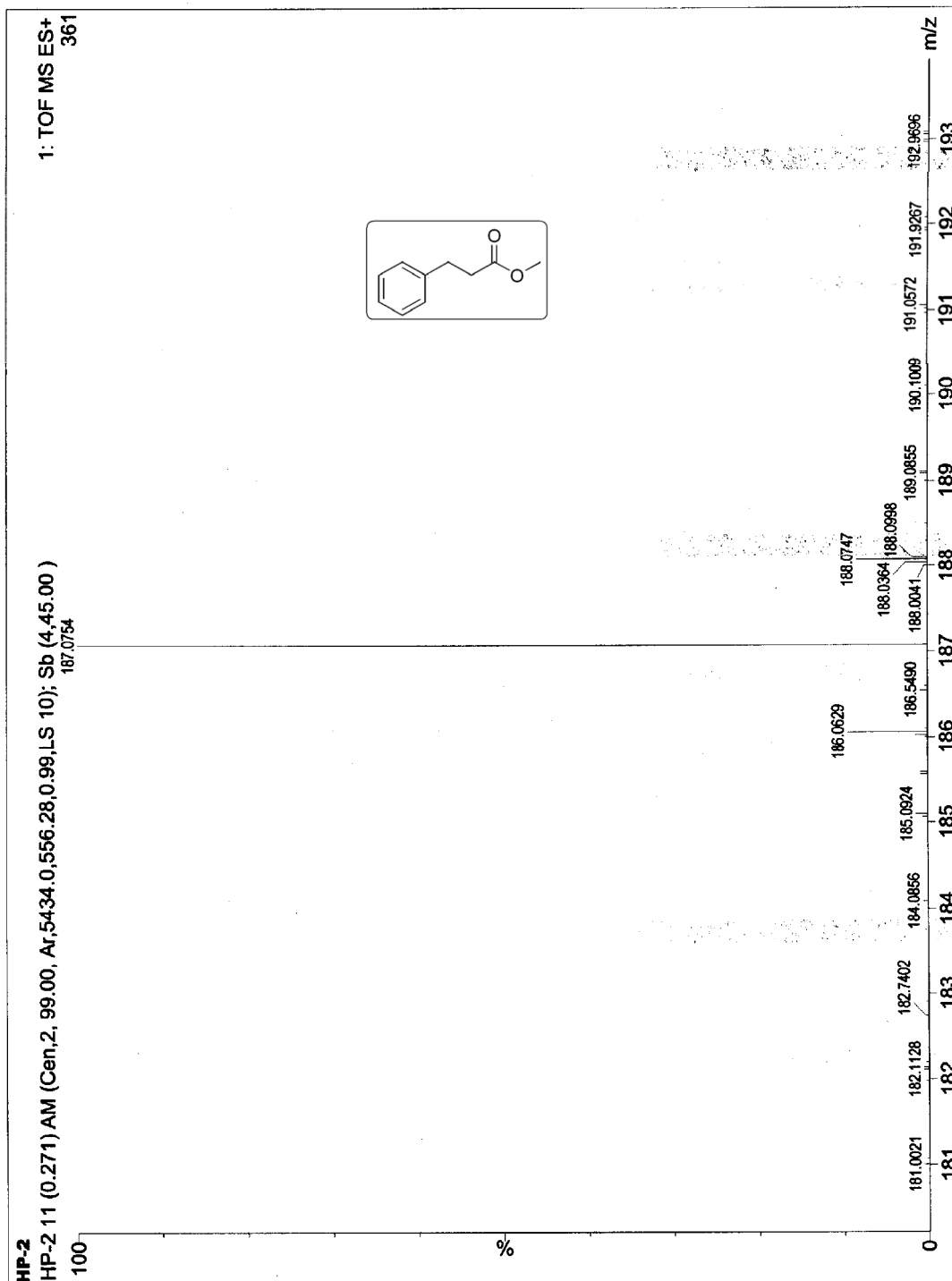
**Fmoc-MeLeu-MeLeu-OH** (Table 3, entry 1): Solid; m.p. 116-119 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 0.93 (6H, d,  $J = 5.63$  Hz), 1.01 (6H, d,  $J = 4.8$  Hz), 1.65-1.72 (4H, m), 1.79-1.83 (2H, m), 3.07 (6H, s), 3.92 (2H, m), 4.11 (1H, t,  $J = 3.2$  Hz), 4.27 (2H, d,  $J = 5.5$  Hz), 6.92-7.34 (8H, m), 11.01 (1H, s); HR-MS Calcd for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{38}\text{N}_2\text{NaO}_5$ : 517.2678; found: 517.2689  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ .

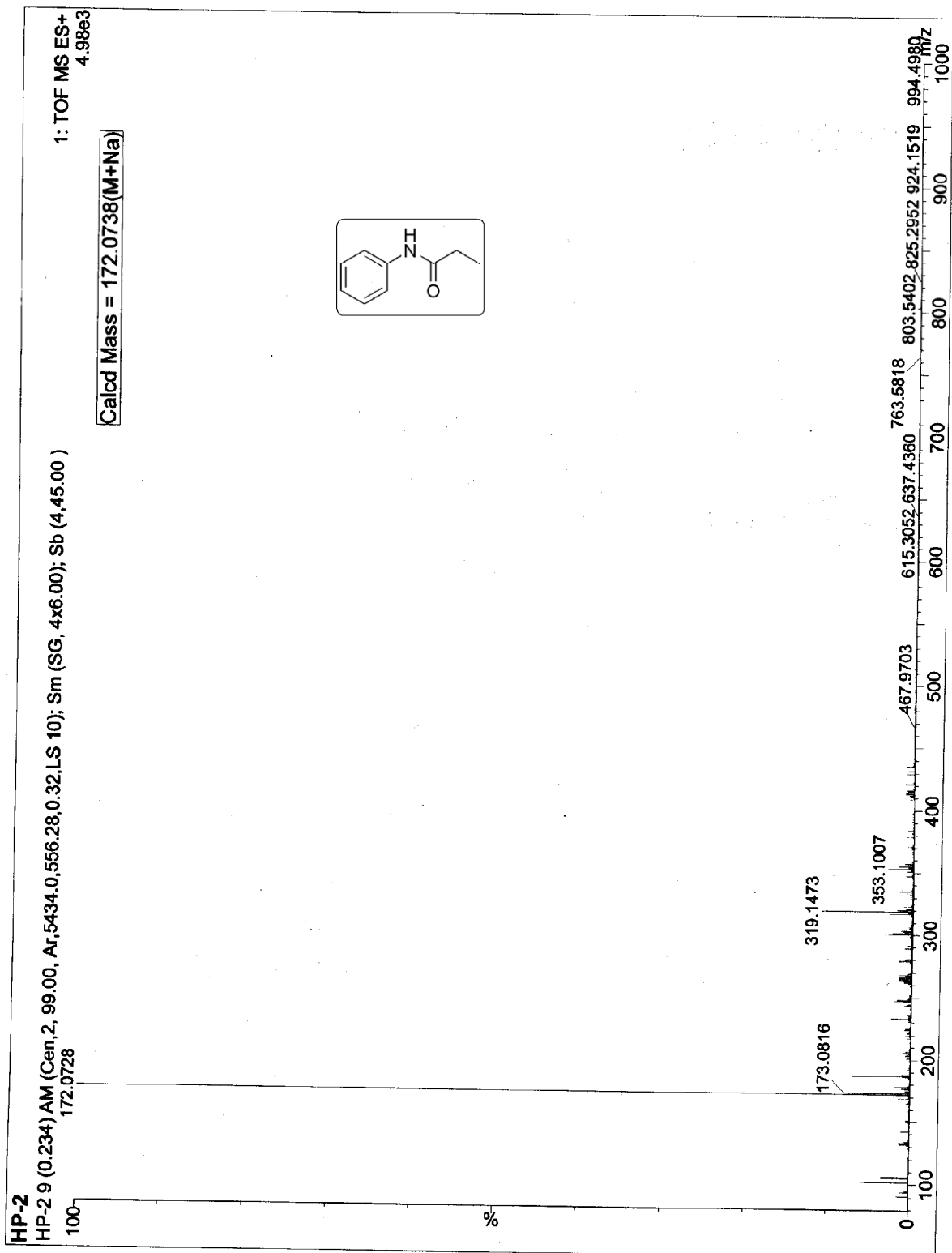
**Fmoc-MeLeu-Val-MeLeu-Ala-OH** (Table 3, entry 2):  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 400 MHz)  $\delta$ : 0.78-0.96 (18H, m), 1.33 (3H, d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz), 1.45 (1H, m), 1.65 (4H, m), 1.87 (2H, m), 3.11 (6H, s), 3.77-3.82 (4H, m), 4.13-4.24 (3H, m), 6.47 (2H, br), 7.10-7.44 (8H, m), 10.56 (1H, s); ESI-MS: Calcd for  $\text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{52}\text{N}_4\text{O}_7$ : 664.3; found 687.2  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ .

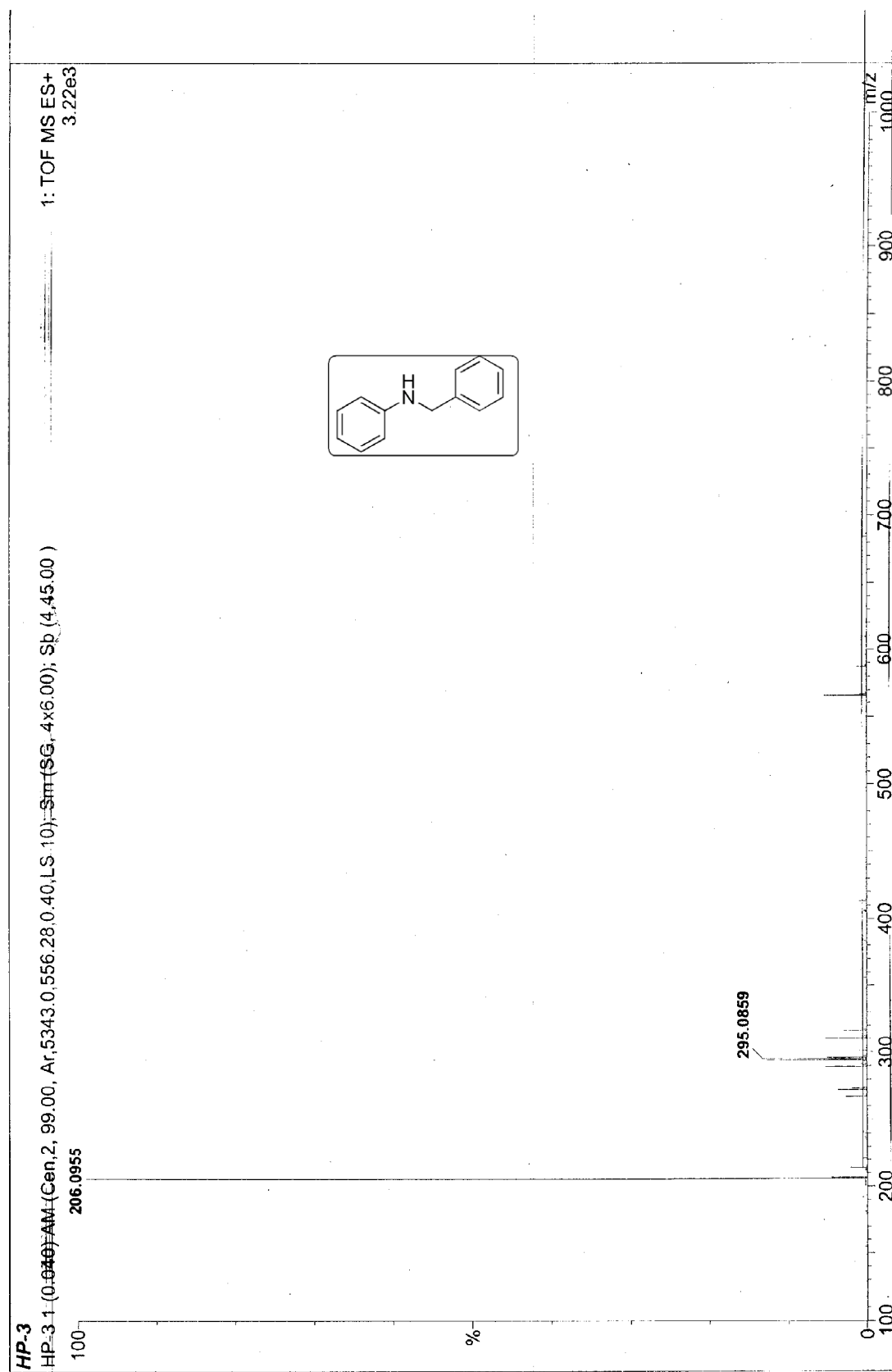
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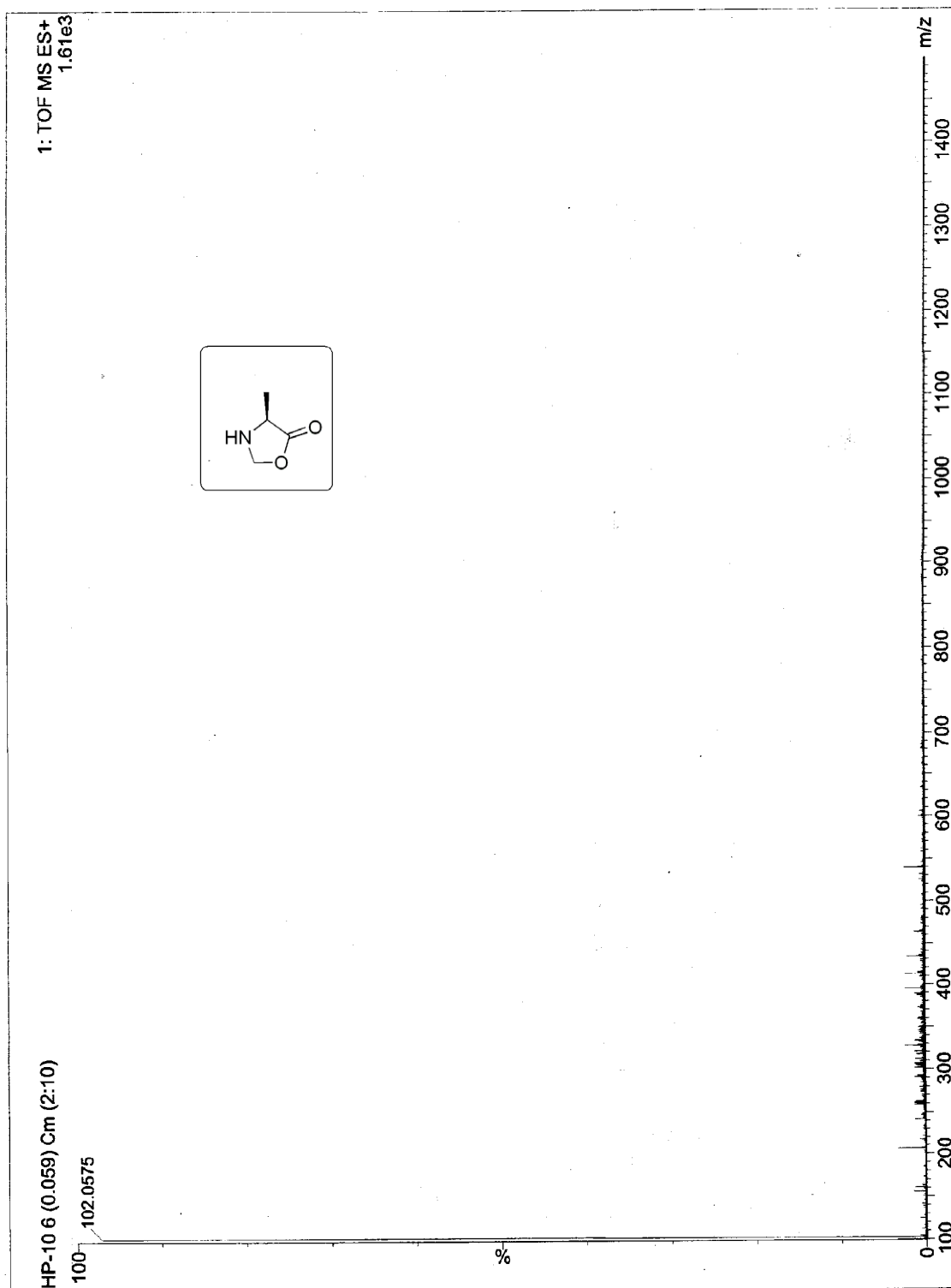


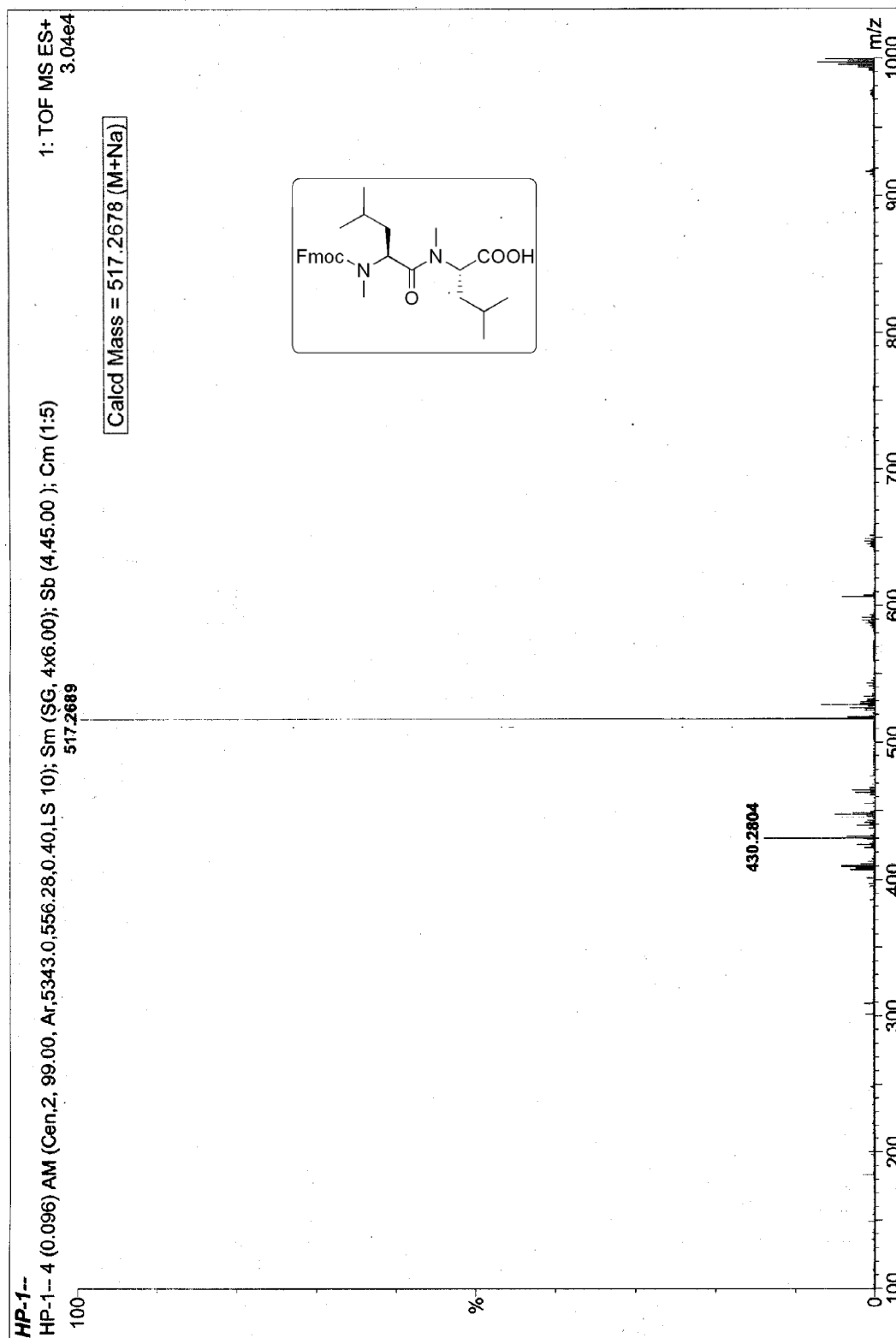




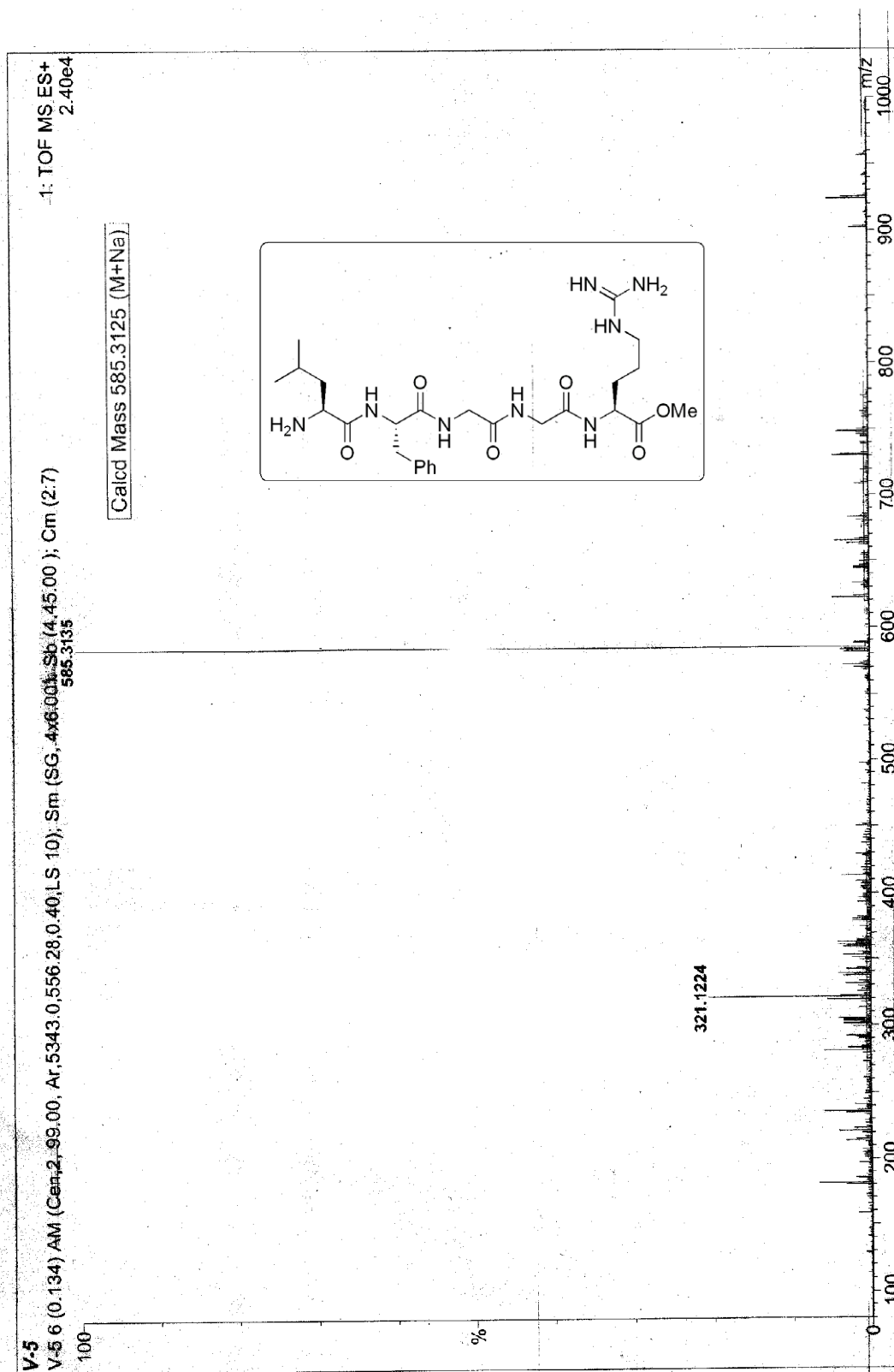


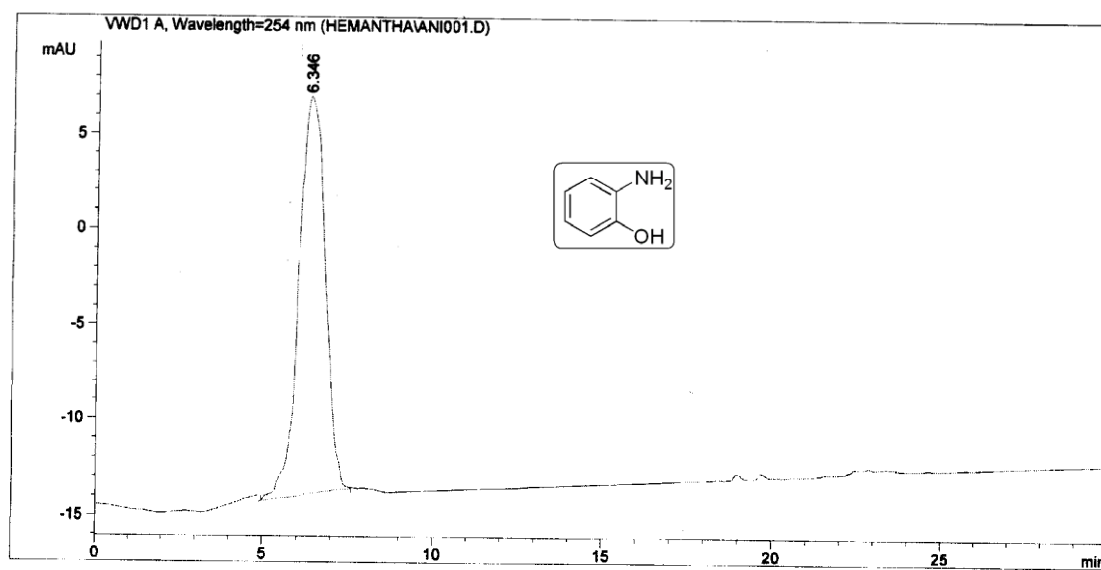
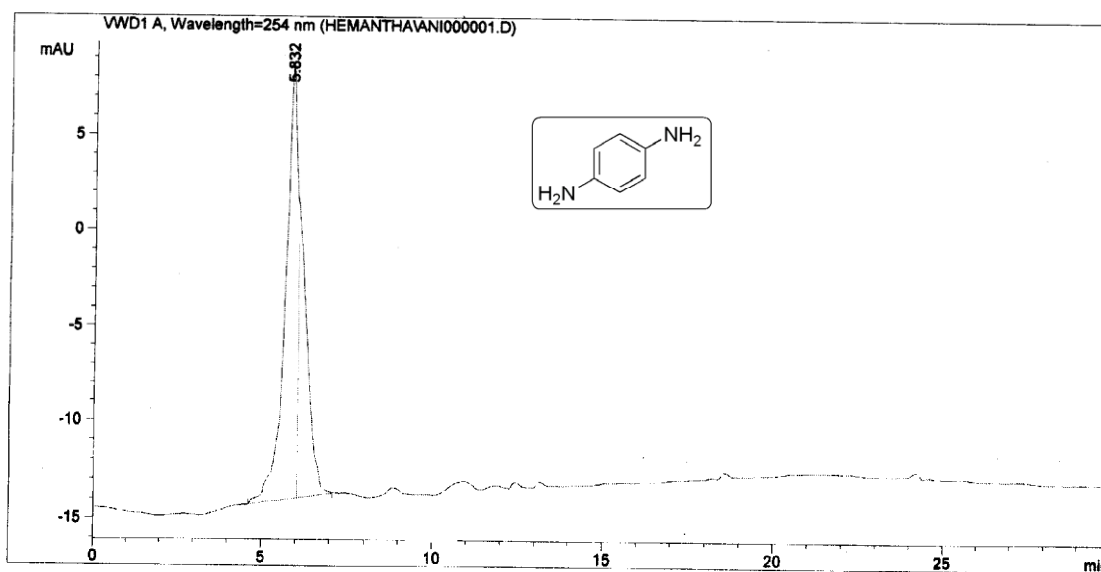
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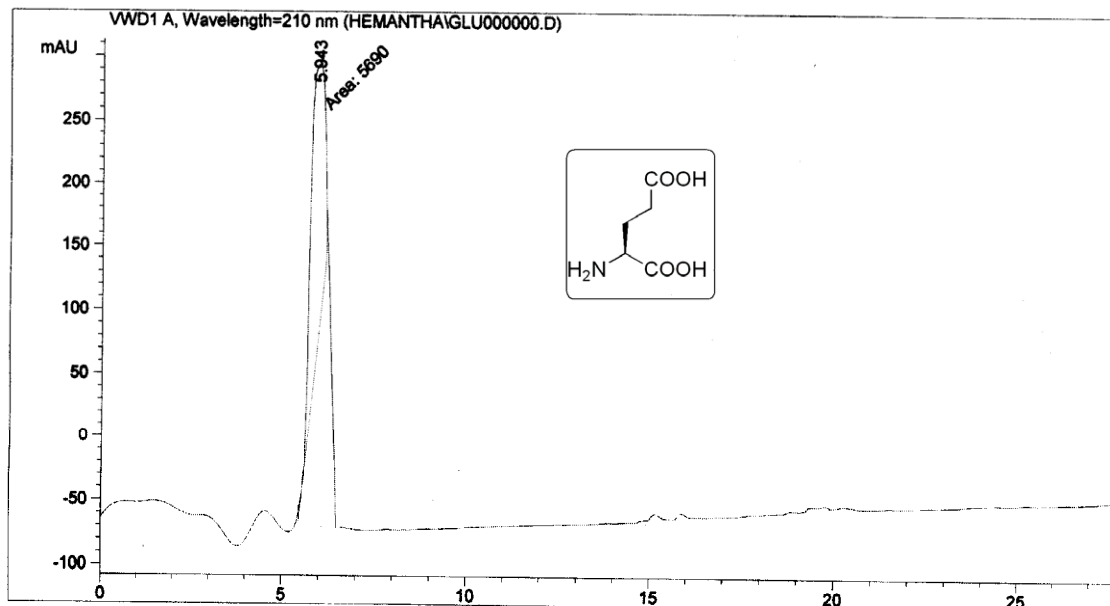
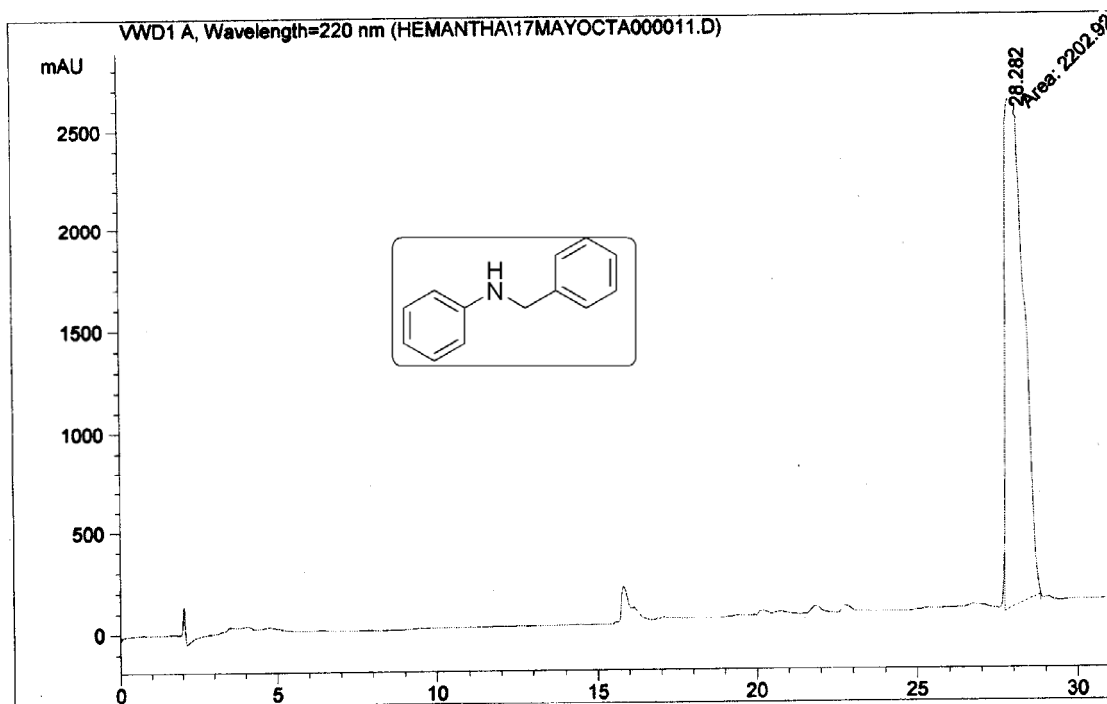


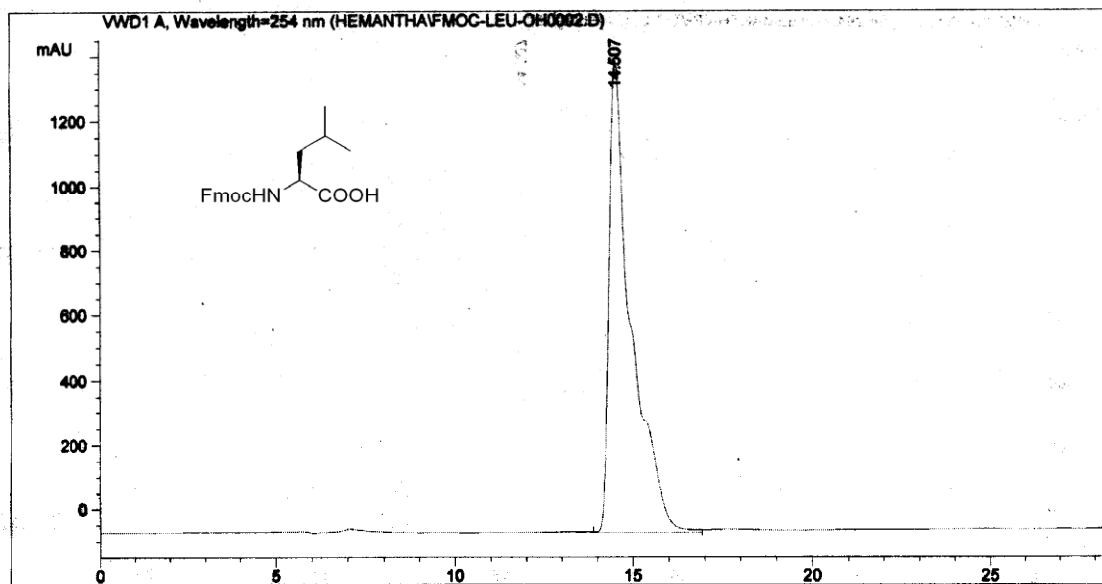
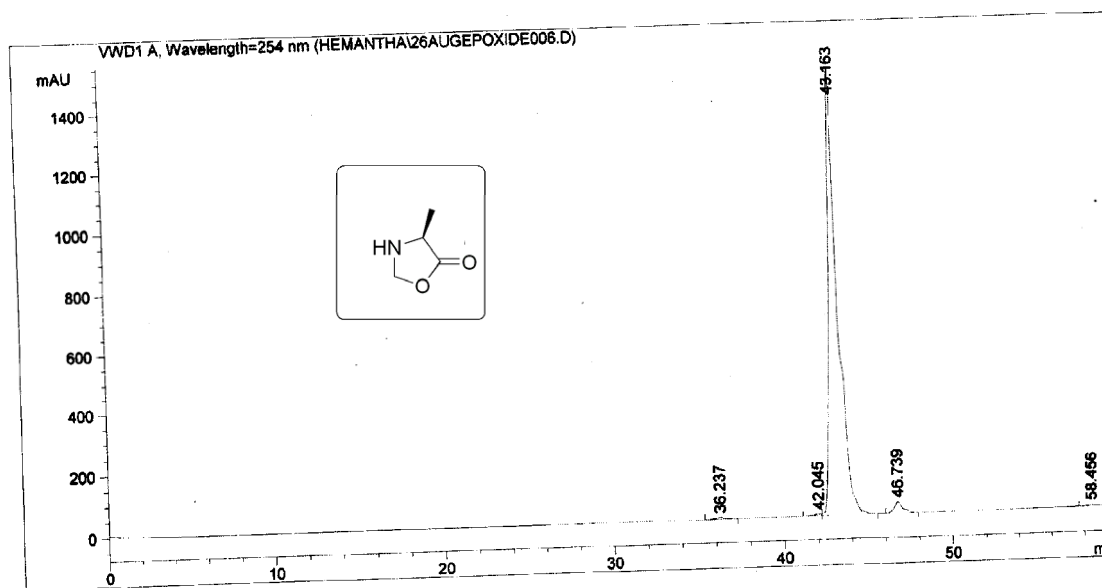


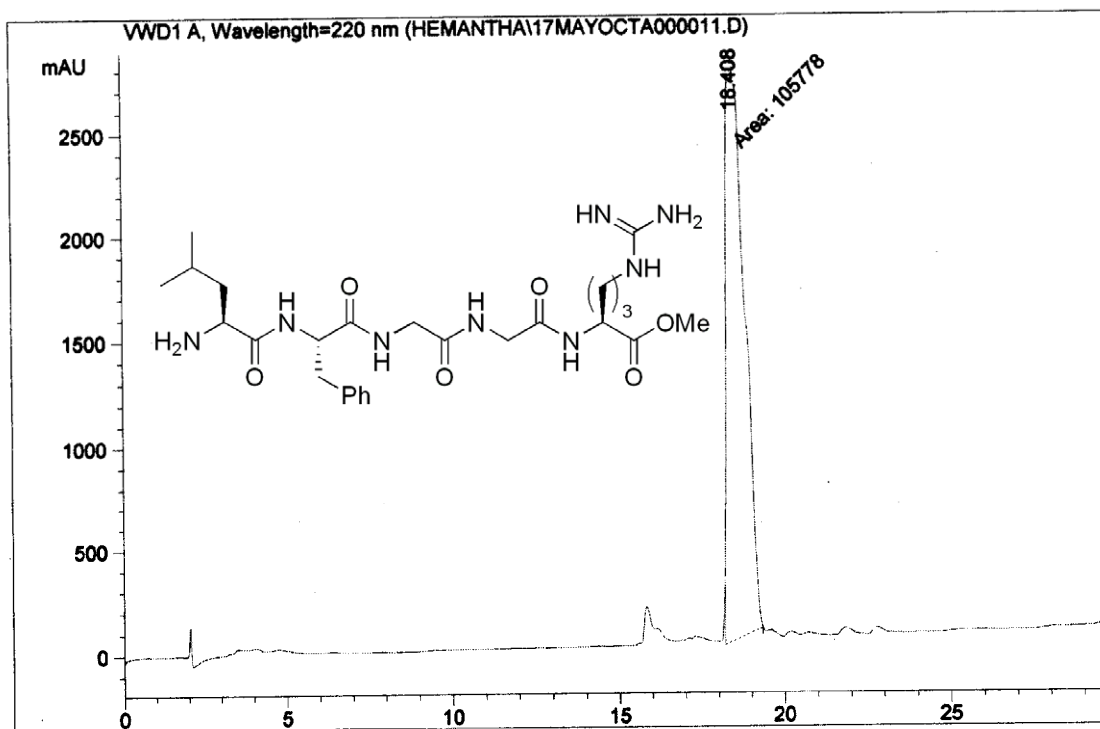




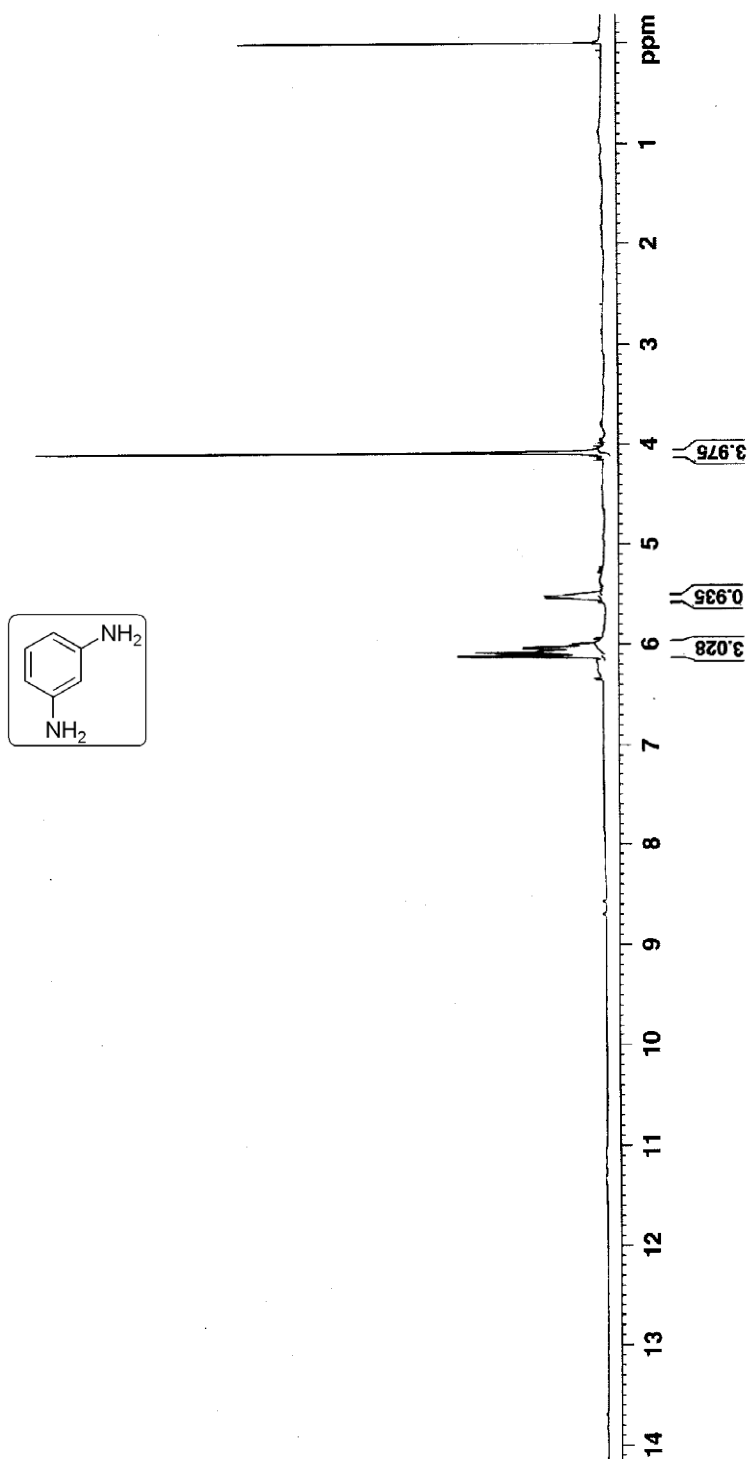


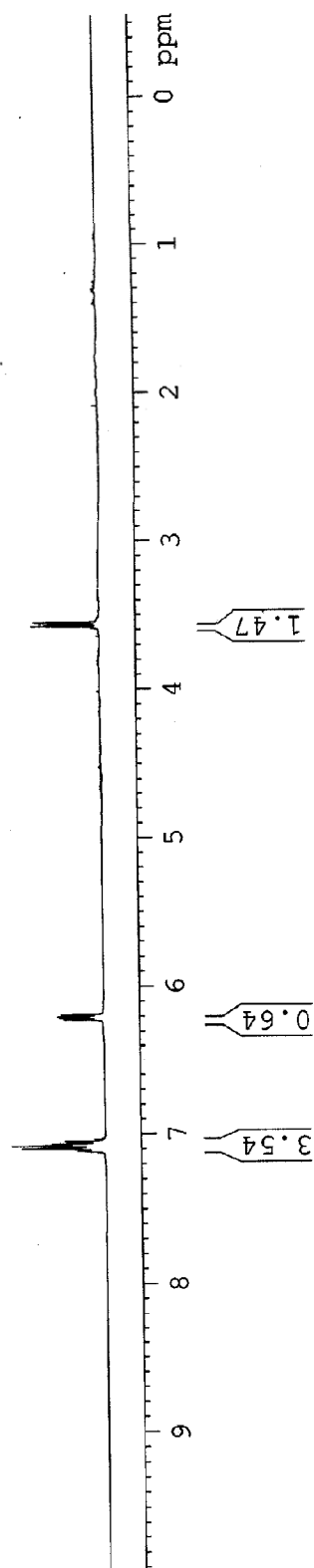
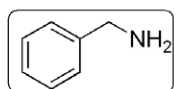




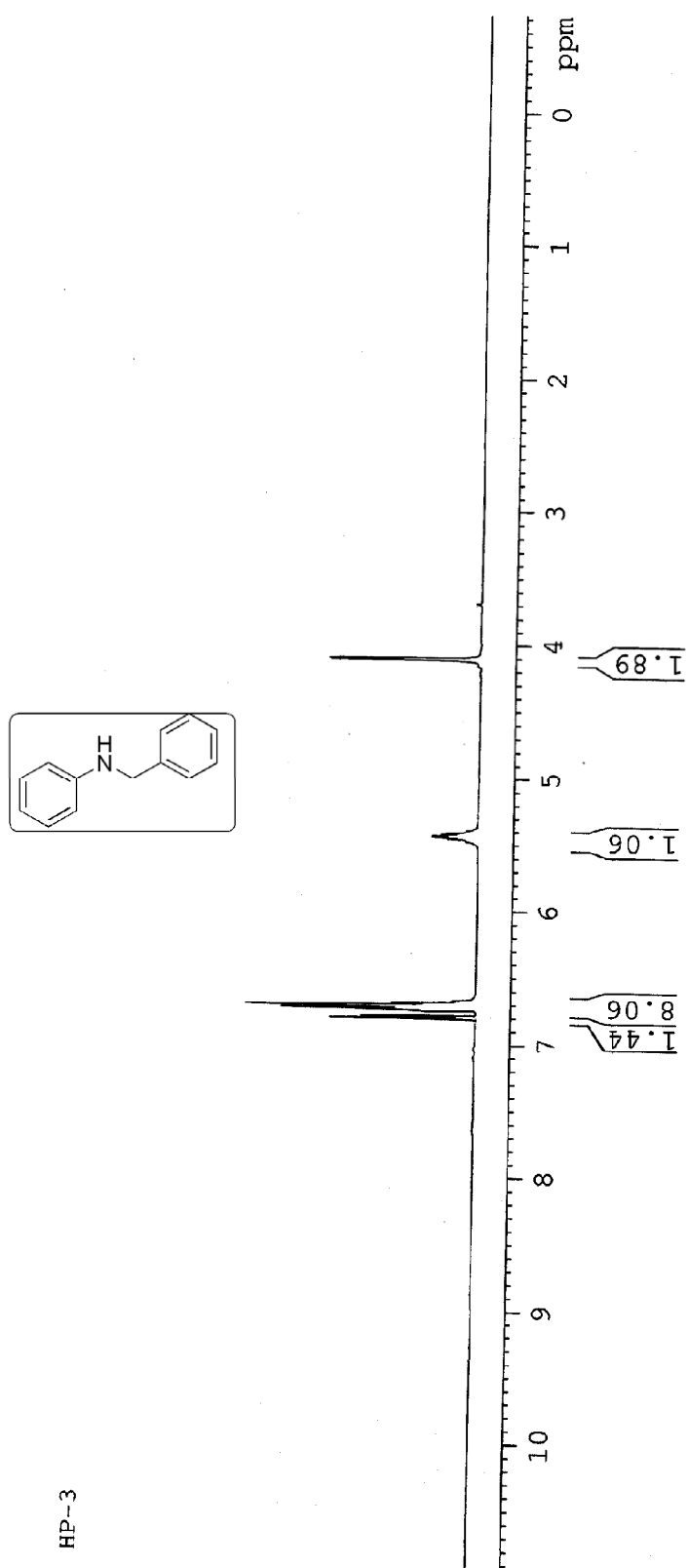


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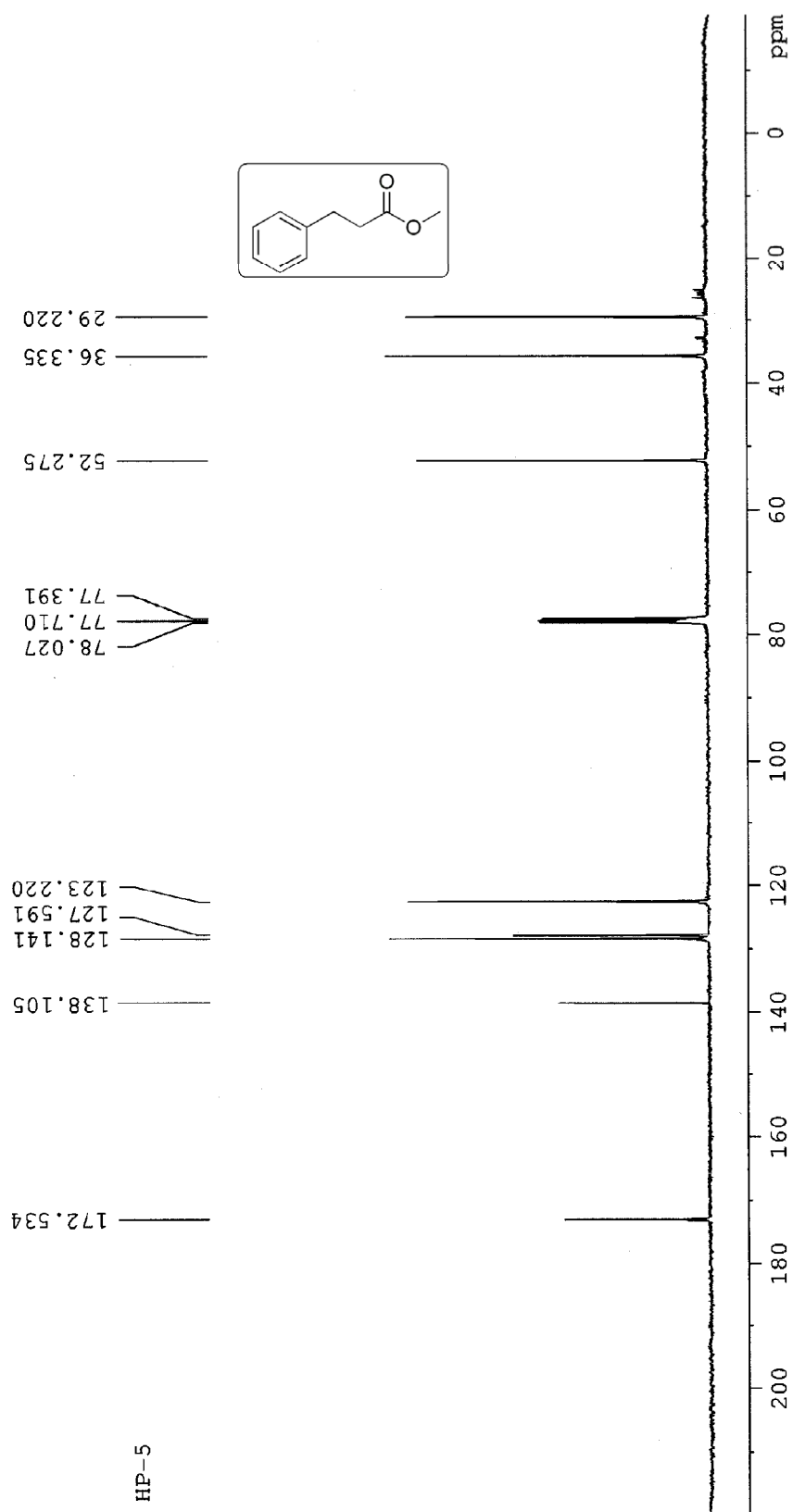




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