

## Supporting Information

### Studies on Transannulation Reactions Across a Nine-Membered Ring: the Synthesis of Natural Product-like Structures.

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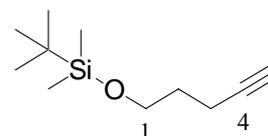
#### General Experimental Details

All reactions were carried out under N<sub>2</sub> unless otherwise specified. IR analyses were carried out on ThermoNicolet Avatar 370 FT-IR and ThermoNicolet IR100 spectrometer using NaCl plates or cesium fluoride solution cell. Nuclear magnetic resonance spectra were recorded on a Jeol EX-270 MHz, a Jeol ECX-400 MHz, a Jeol ECS-400 MHz and Bruker AV-500 MHz spectrometer at ambient temperature; chemical shifts are quoted in parts per million (ppm) and were referenced as follows: chloroform-*d*,  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  7.26 ppm; chloroform-*d*,  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  77.0 ppm, benzene-*d*,  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  7.16 ppm; benzene-*d*,  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  128.02 ppm, for the processing of 'fid' data the software delta and mestec were used for Jeol 270 MHz and 400 MHz system and topspin was used for Bruker AV 500 MHz. The following abbreviations have been used to describe the signal multiplicity; s (singlet); d (doublet); t (triplet); q (quartet); quint (quintet); m (multiplet); app (apparent); br (broad) and *J* (coupling constant in Hz). The mass spectrometry was performed by the University of York mass spectrometry service ESI or EI ionisation techniques, for accurate mass the samples were submitted to Swansea Mass spectrometry centre. Melting points were determined using a Stuart SMP3 apparatus and

remain uncorrected. Optical rotations were carried out at ambient temperature using a JASCO DIP-370 digital polarimeter. The molecular modelling calculations were carried out using AMI method on the Spartan '08, interatomic distances were calculated by using Spartan student version. Thin layer chromatography was performed on glass-backed plates coated with Merck Silica gel 60 F<sub>254</sub>. Silver nitrate impregnated TLC plates were prepared by absorbing a silver nitrate solution on the plates and activating at 120 °C in oven for one night. The plates were developed using ultraviolet light, acidic aqueous ceric ammonium molybdate, basic aqueous potassium permanganate, ethanolic anisaldehyde or ninhydrin dip. Liquid chromatography was performed using forced flow (flash column) with the solvent systems indicated. The stationary phase was silica gel 60 (220-240 mesh) supplied by Fluorochem or silica gel Merck TLC grade 11695 supplied by Sigma-Aldrich. The silver nitrate impregnated silica was prepared by adsorbing silver nitrate on silica (10% w/w). Dichloromethane was distilled from calcium hydride; THF and diethyl ether were distilled from sodium-benzophenone; toluene was dried over sodium wire prior to use. All other solvents and reagents were used as received from commercial suppliers.

## Experimental Procedures and Data for Compounds not Reported in the Main Paper

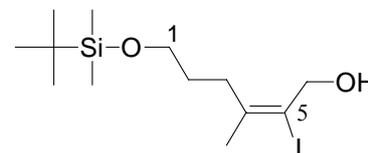
***tert*-Butyldimethyl(pent-4-ynloxy)silane** Imidazole (9.7 g, 143 mmol) was added to a solution of 4-pentyn-1-ol (5 g, 59 mmol) dissolved in DMF (50 mL) under an N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere at 25 °C and stirred until all solids had dissolved. TBSCl (10.7 g, 71 mmol) was then added to the solution with stirring continued for a further 4 h. After this period the mixture was washed with water (50 mL) and extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (4 x 50 mL). The organics were combined the washed with brine (100 mL) before being dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to yield a colourless oil which did not require further purification (11.7 g, 100%). IR (film):  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  2926, 2855, 1471, 1457, 1387, 1255, 1106, 835, 776 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  3.67 (2H, t,  $J$  = 6.3 Hz, H-1), 2.25 (2H, dt,  $J$  = 7.0, 2.8 Hz, H-3), 1.91 (1H, t,  $J$  = 2.8 Hz, H-5), 1.70 (2H, m, H-2), 0.87 (9H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>-TBS), 0.05 (6H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>-TBS) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  84.2 (C, C-4), 68.2 (CH, C-5), 61.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-1), 31.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-2), 25.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>, TBS),



18.3 (C, TBS), 14.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-3), -5.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>, TBS) ppm. HRMS (ESI): found (M + H<sup>+</sup>): 199.1513, C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>23</sub>OSi requires (M + H<sup>+</sup>): 199.1507.

**(E)-6-(tert-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-2-iodo-3-methylhex-2-**

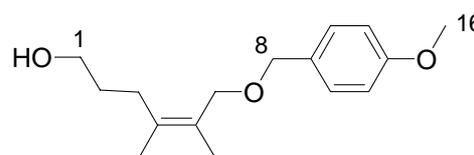
**en-1-ol** DIBAL-H (1 M in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 20 mL, 20 mmol) was added a solution of **49** (4.0 g, 10 mmol) in dichloromethane : hexane, 2:1, (60 mL) at -78°C, under a nitrogen atmosphere and stirred



for 3 h. The solution was treated with methanol (15 mL) and then saturated aqueous Rochelle's salt (1 M, 20 mL) and allowed to stir for 1 h upon warming to 25 °C. The solution was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 x 50 mL) and washed with brine (100 mL) before being dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification *via* flash column chromatography on silica gel with a mobile phase of petroleum ether: EtOAc, 20:1, yielded a pale yellow oil (3.4 g, 92 %). IR (film):  $\nu_{\max}$  3395, 2927, 2856, 1634, 1471, 1387, 1361, 1255, 1103 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 270 MHz):  $\delta$  4.39 (2H, d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, H-6), 3.58 (2H, t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, H-1), 2.77 (1H, t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, OH), 2.43 (2H, t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, H-3), 1.92 (3H, s, Me-4), 1.62 (2H, m, H-2), 0.88 (9H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>-TBS), 0.05 (6H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>-TBS) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz):  $\delta$  143.5 (C, C-4), 104.2 (C, C-5), 68.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-6), 61.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-1), 30.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-2), 29.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>, C-3), 29.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>, C-4), 25.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>, TBS), 18.3 (C, TBS), -5.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>, TBS) ppm. HRMS (ESI): found (M + H<sup>+</sup>): 271.0898, C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>28</sub>IO<sub>2</sub>Si requires (M + H<sup>+</sup>): 271.0904.

**(Z)-4,5-dimethyl-6-(para-methoxybenzyloxy)-hex-**

**4-en-1-ol** TBAF (1M in THF, 17.8 mL, 17.8 mmol, 2 equiv) was added to a solution of **51** (3.8 g, 8.9 mmol,



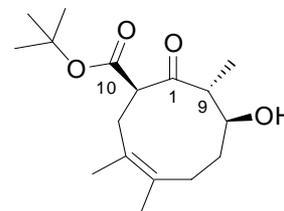
1 equiv) in THF (20 mL) under a nitrogen atmosphere at 25 °C. The solution was allowed to stir for 1 h before being diluted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (50 mL) and washed with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (40 mL) followed by brine (50 mL). The ether extracts were then dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification *via* flash column chromatography on silica gel with a mobile phase of petroleum ether : EtOAc, 10:1, yielded the desired alcohol as a yellow oil (2.3 g, 98%). IR (film):  $\nu_{\max}$  3403, 2926, 2866, 2359, 2243, 1733, 1634, 1627, 1496, 1454, 1436, 1375, 1350, 1243, 1212, 1072 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.26-6.85 (4H, m, aromatics), 4.41 (2H, s, H-8), 3.92 (2H, s, H-9), 3.78 (3H, s, H-1), 3.49 (2H, dt, *J* = 6.1, 5.8

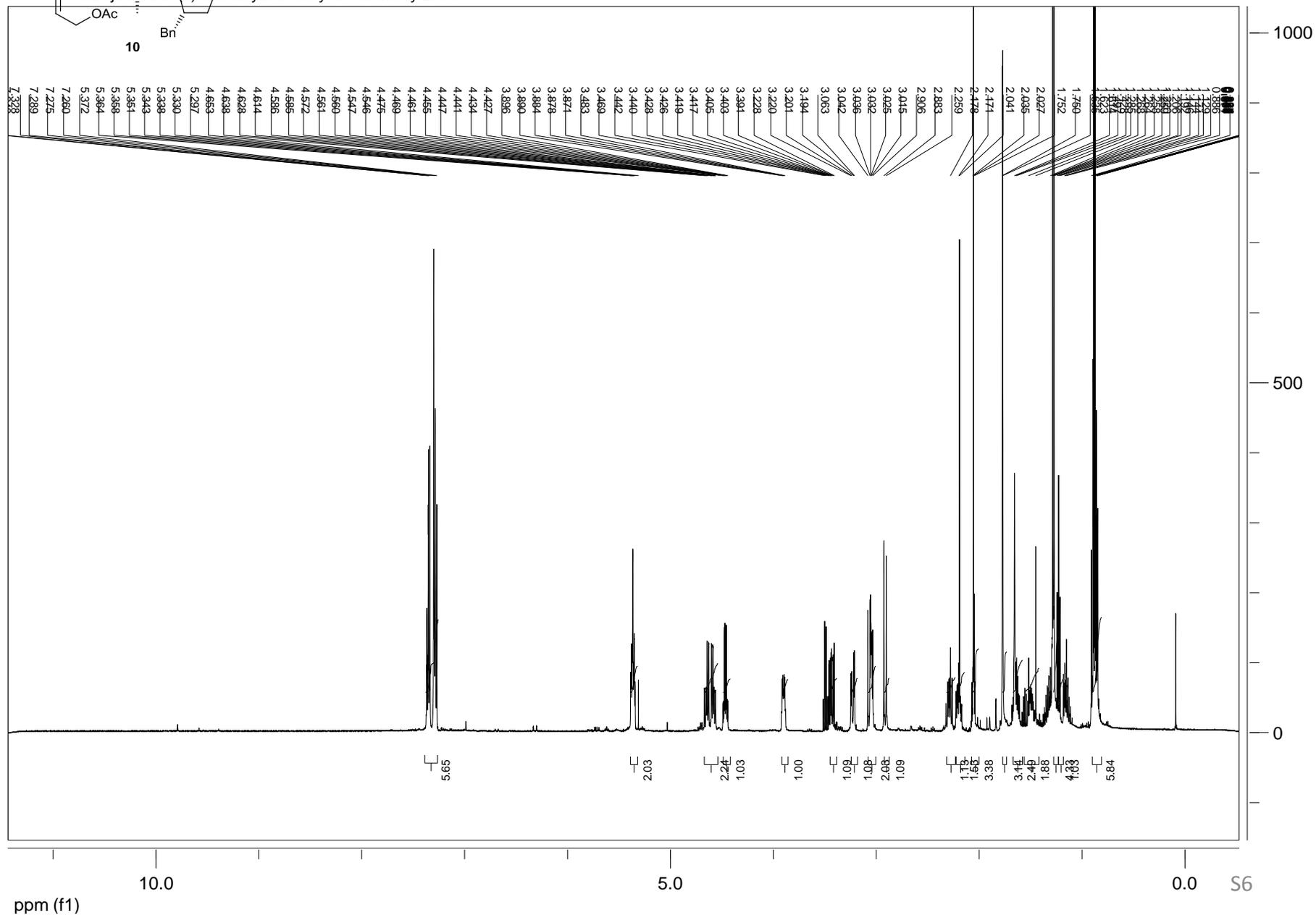
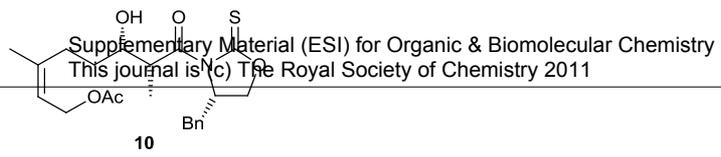


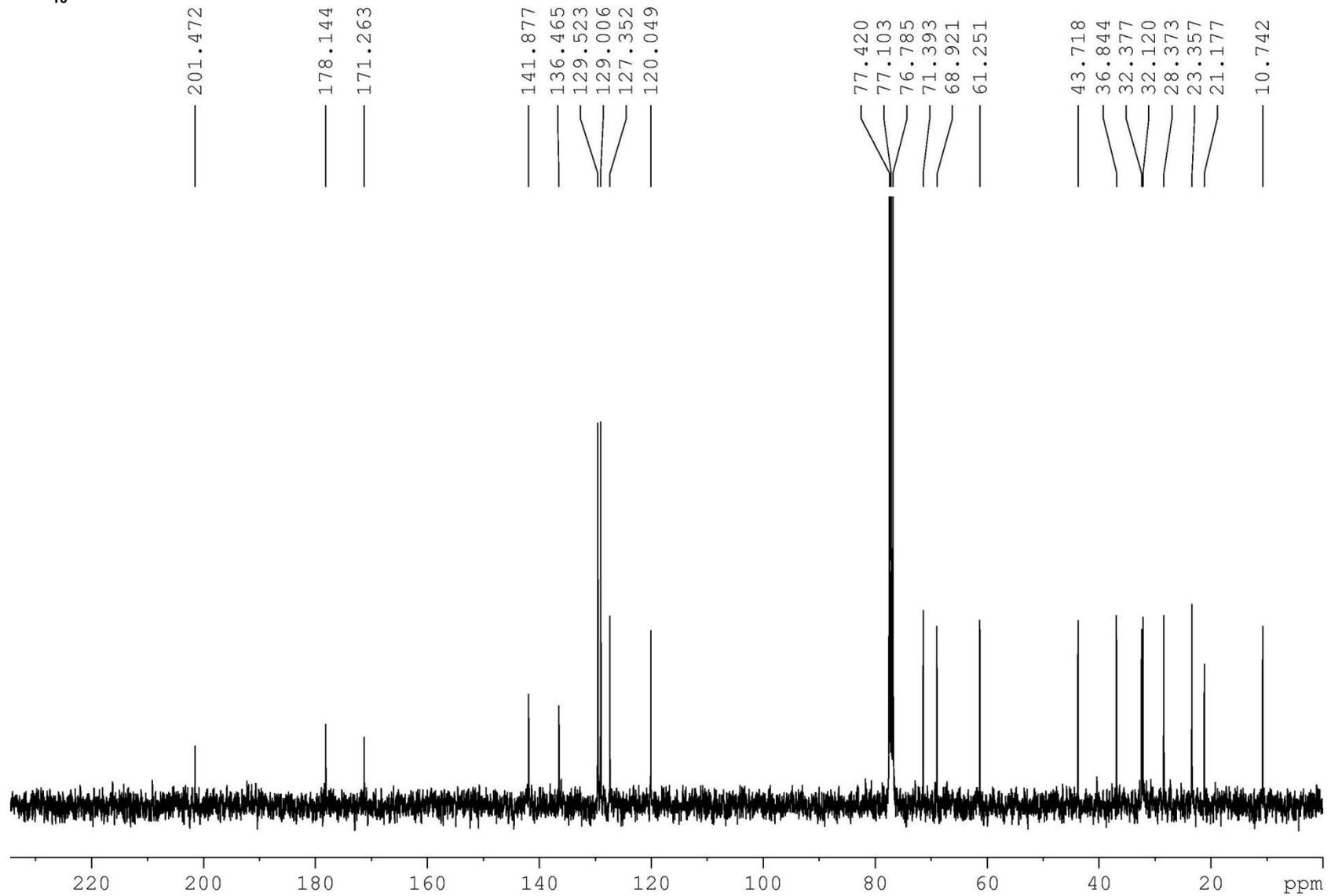
(CH<sub>3</sub>, C-12), 11.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>, C-7), -4.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>, TBS), -4.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>, TBS) ppm. HRMS (ESI): found (M + Na<sup>+</sup>): 571.3425, C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>52</sub>NaO<sub>6</sub>Si requires (M + Na<sup>+</sup>): 571.3422.

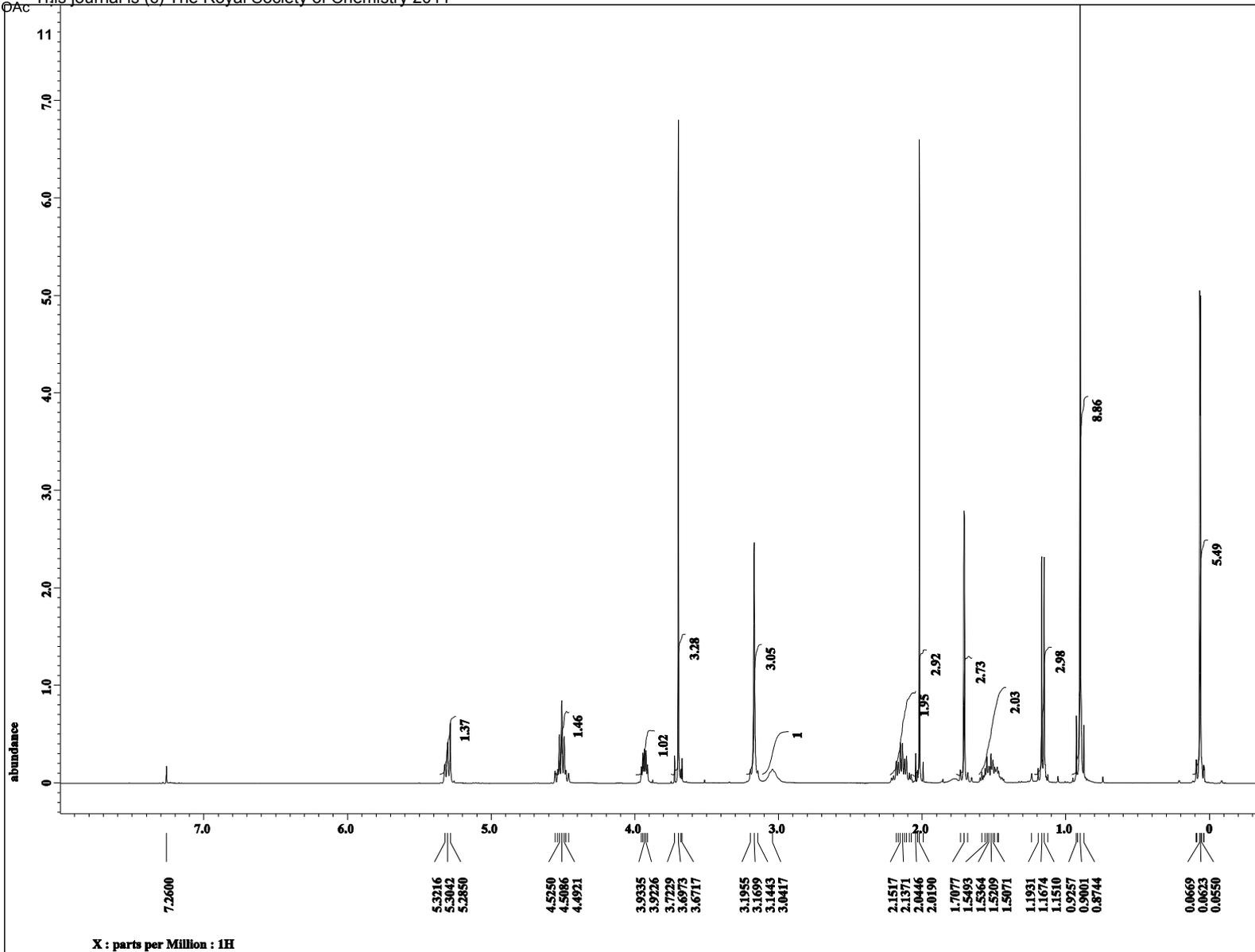
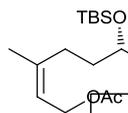
**(2R\*,8S,9R)-2-(tert-Butoxycarbonyl)-4,5,9-trimethyl-8-hydroxy-**

**cyclonon-4-enone** To a solution of a mixture of diastereomers of **42a/b** (403 mg, 0.98 mmol) in acetonitrile (7 mL) was added a 48 % aqueous HF solution (987 μl, 23.7 mmol, 24 equiv) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 16 h, diluted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (50 mL) and quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (5 mL). The layers were separated and the organic phase was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (3 x 10 mL). The combined aqueous washings were extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (4 x 10 mL). The combined organics were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* leaving the alcohol as a mixture of inseparable diastereoisomers (286 mg, 100 %). [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>24</sup> -22.9 (c = 0.60, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). ν<sub>max</sub> (solution; CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 3435, 2981, 2933, 1734, 1699, 1643, 1455, 1369, 1265, 1149, 1030, 739 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 4.08 (1H, dt, *J* = 8.8, 5.1 Hz, H-8 minor), 3.62 (1H, dd, *J* = 11.4, 1.8 Hz, H-2 major), 3.54 (1H, dt, *J* = 9.5, 2.6 Hz, H-8 major), 3.46 (1H, dd, *J* = 11.0, 1.8 Hz, H-2 major), 2.92 (1H, dd, *J* = 14.3, 11.4 Hz, H-3), 2.81 (2H, m, H-9 minor), 2.71 (2H, m, H-9 major), 2.34 (1H, d, *J* = 14.3 Hz, H-3), 2.24 (1H, m, H-6), 2.10 (1H, m, H-6), 1.92 (1H, m, H-7), 1.82 (1H, m, H-7), 1.73 (3H, s, C-4 Me minor), 1.68 (3H, s, C-4 Me major), 1.64 (3H, s, C-5 Me minor), 1.62 (3H, s, C-4 Me major), 1.42 (9H, s, <sup>t</sup>Bu), 1.29 (3H, d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, C-9 Me major), 1.07 (3H, d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, C-9 Me minor) ppm. <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ = 213.8 (C-1 minor), 211.8 (C-1 major), 168.7 (C-10 major), 162.8 (C-10 minor), 132.7 (C-5 minor), 130.2 (C-5 major), 126.4 (C-4 major), 119.8 (C-4 minor), 82.1 (C, <sup>t</sup>Bu major), 81.5 (C, <sup>t</sup>Bu minor), 74.1 (C-8 minor), 70.1 (C-8 major), 57.6 (C-2 minor), 56.0 (C-2 major), 54.3 (C-9 major), 53.2 (C-9 minor), 35.3 (C-7, major), 35.2 (C-6, major), 34.7 (C-7 minor), 33.3 (C-6 minor), 29.5 (C-3 major), 28.9 (C-3 minor), 28.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, <sup>t</sup>Bu), 20.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>, C-5 minor), 19.8 (C-5 major), 18.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>, C-4 minor), 17.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>, C-4 major), 15.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>, C-9 major), 14.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, C-9 minor) ppm. HRMS (ESI): found (M + Na<sup>+</sup>): 319.1880, C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>28</sub>NaO<sub>4</sub> requires (M + H<sup>+</sup>): 319.1869.

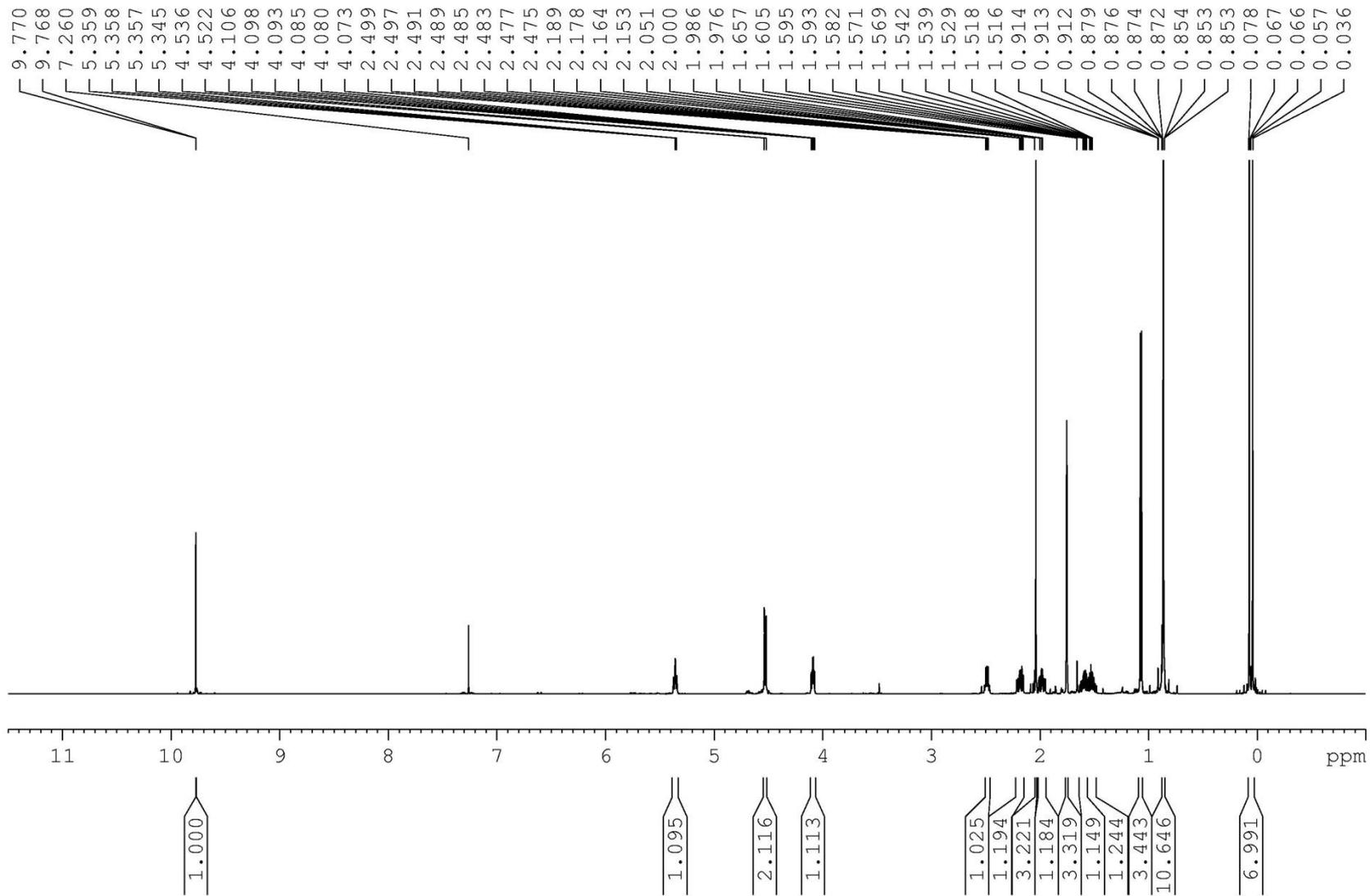


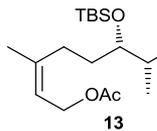






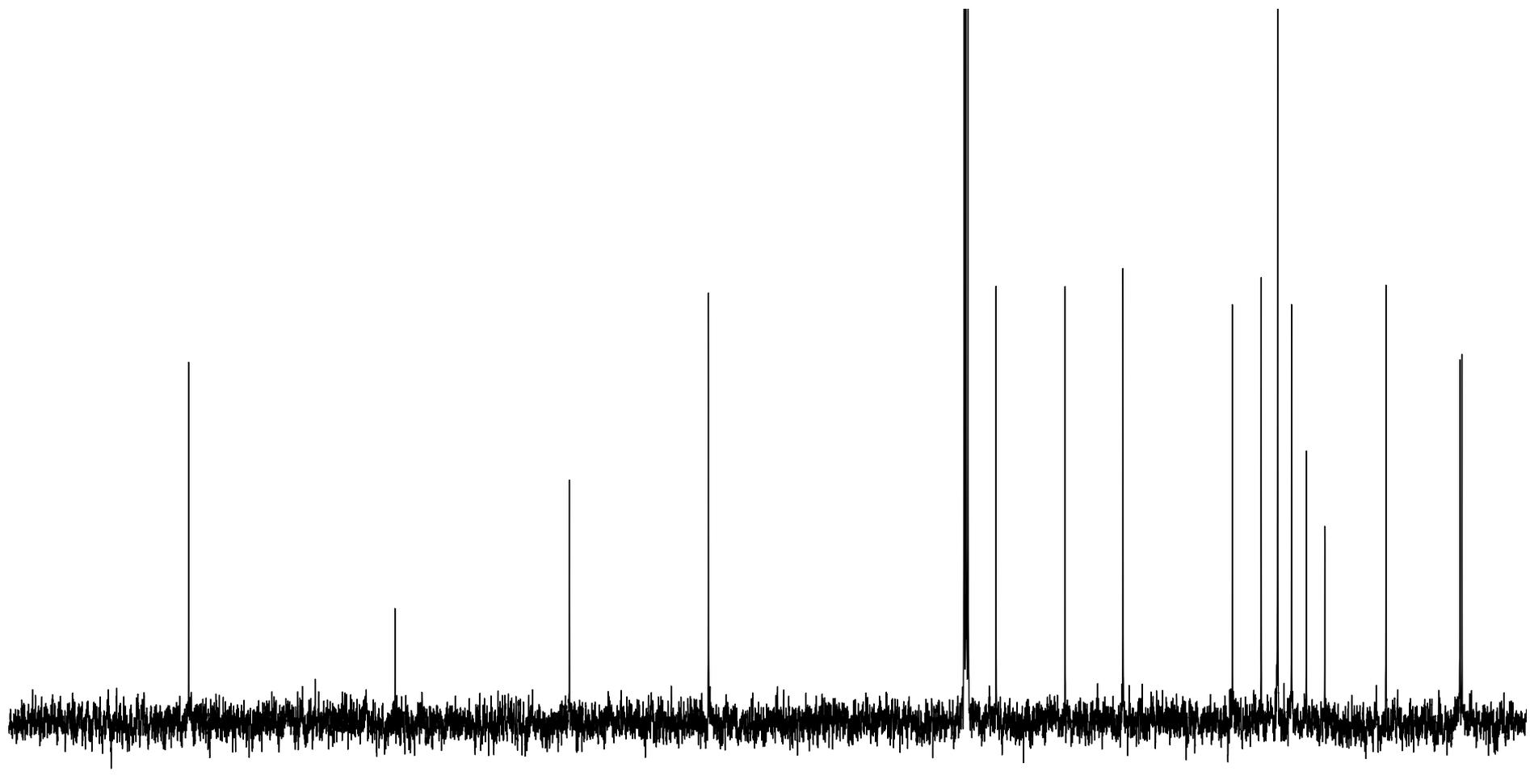






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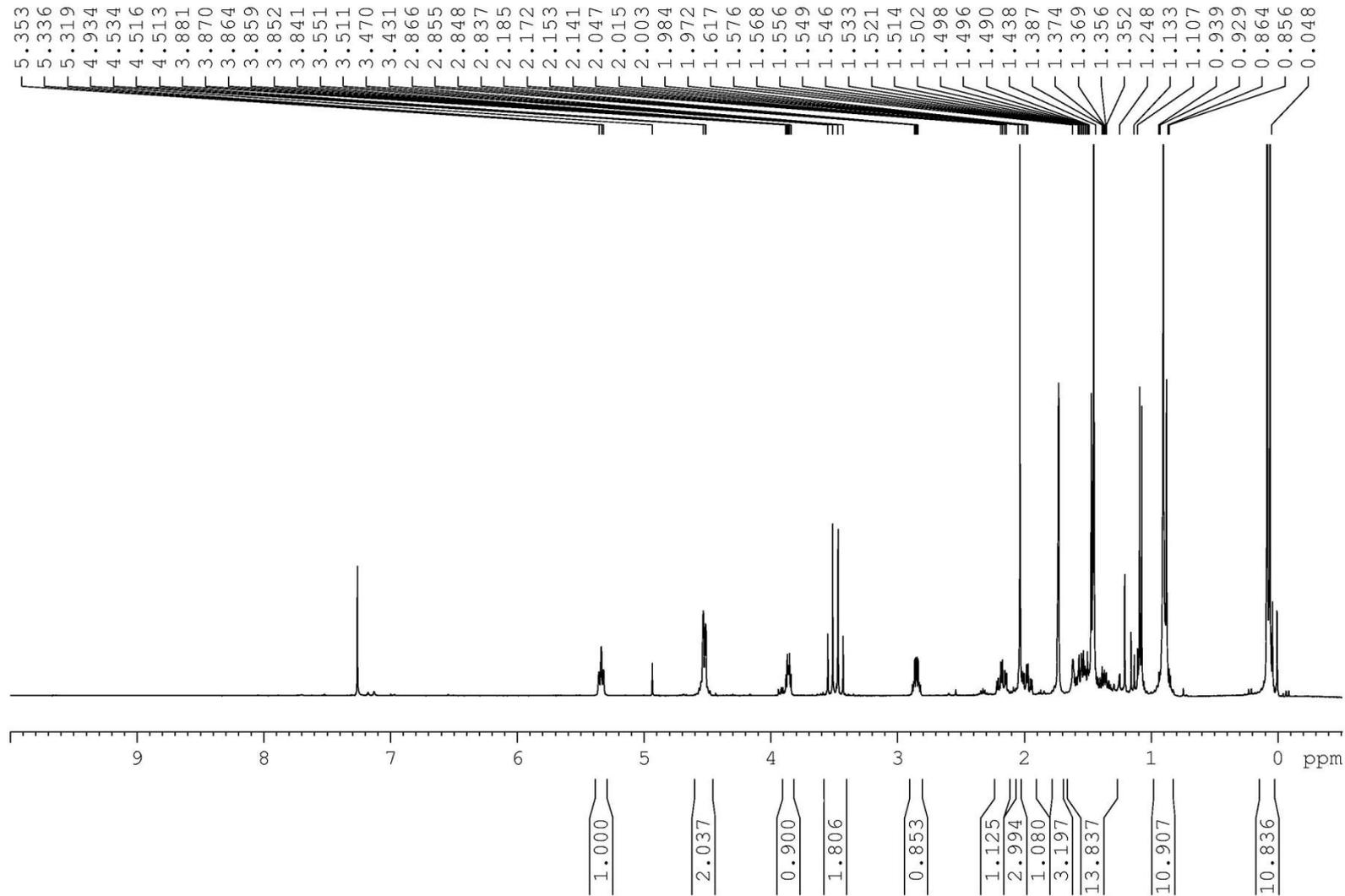
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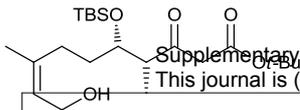
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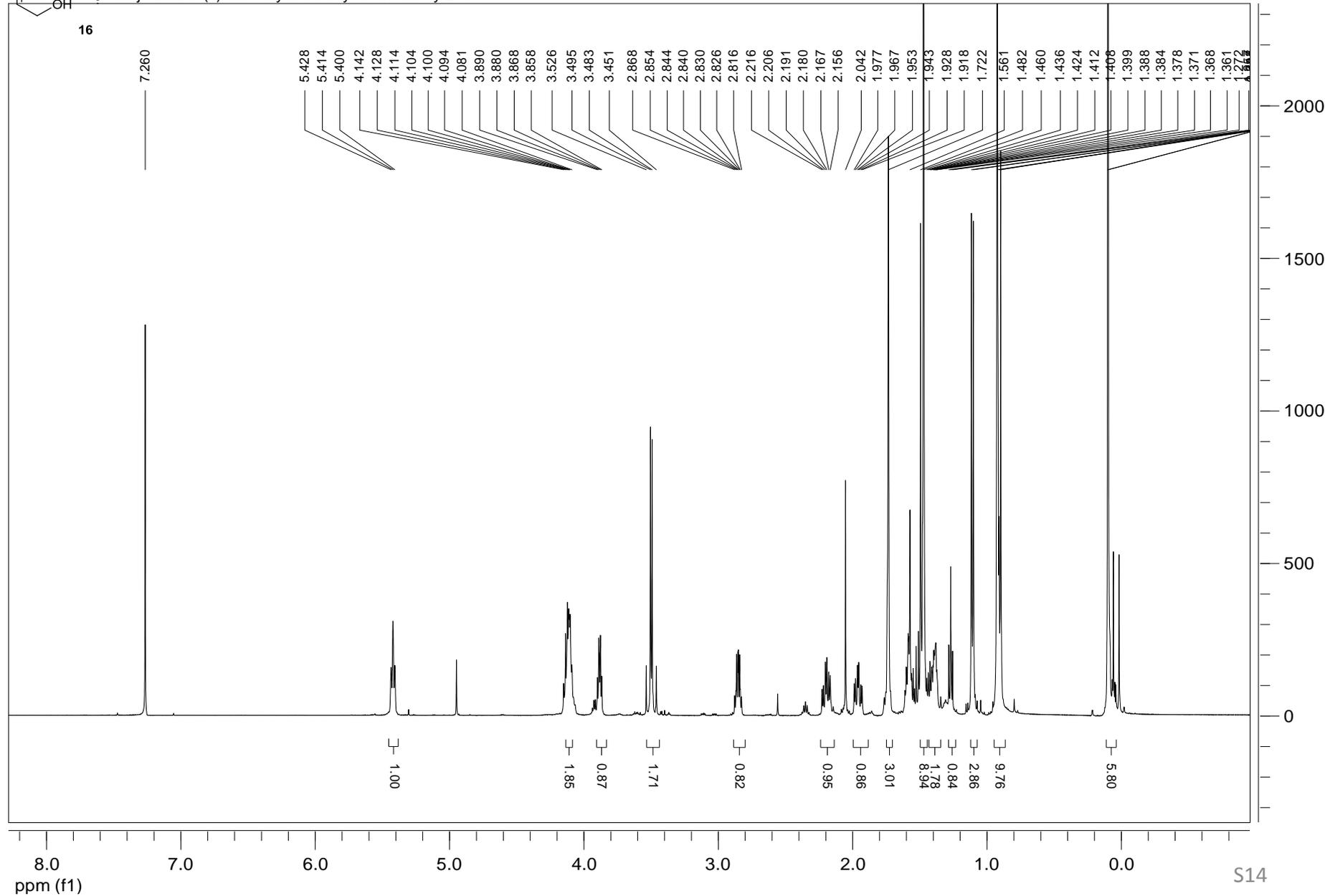
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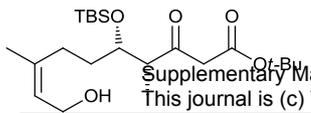




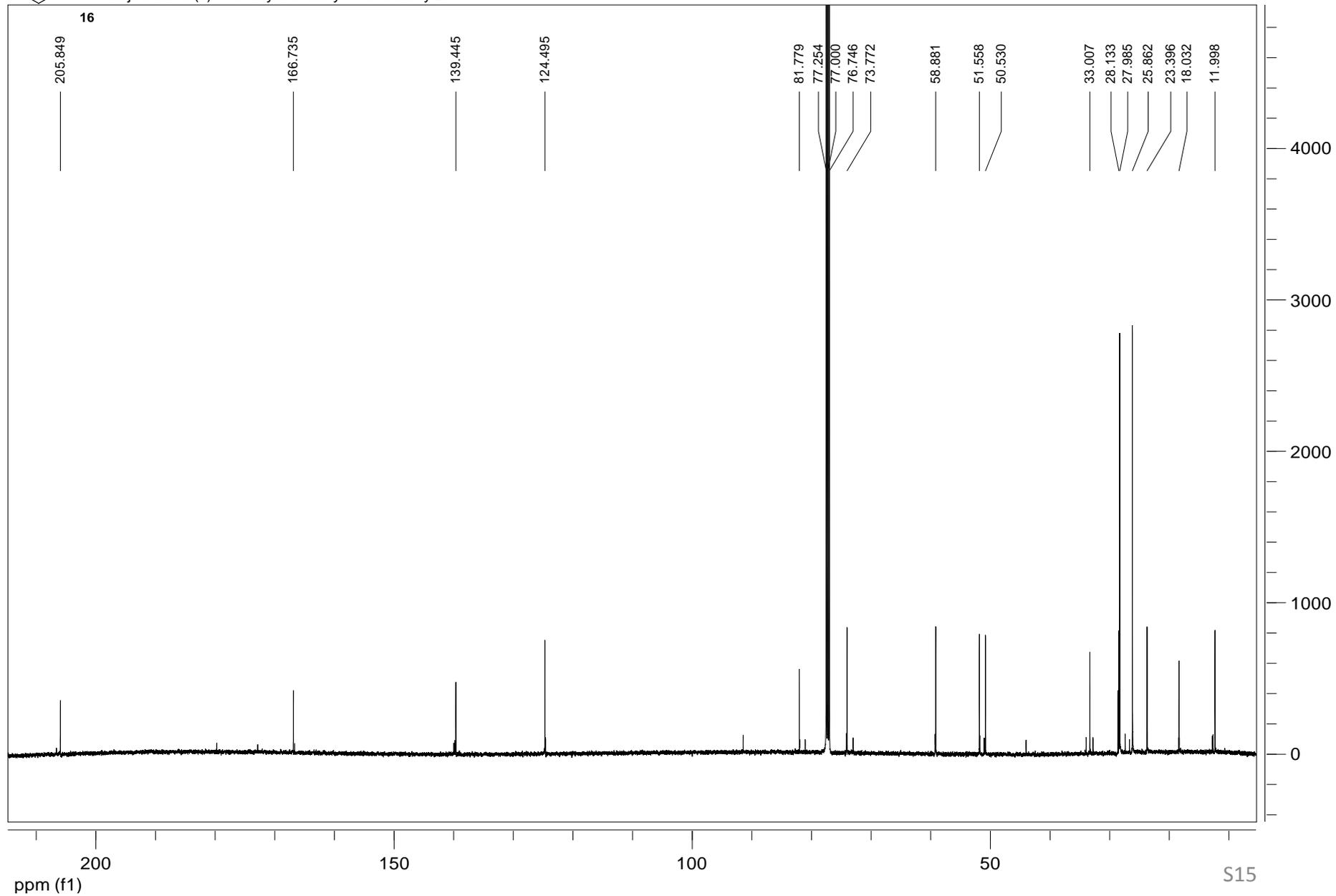


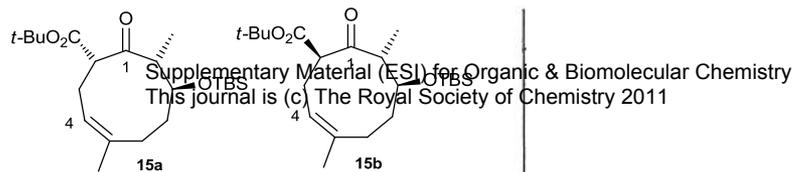
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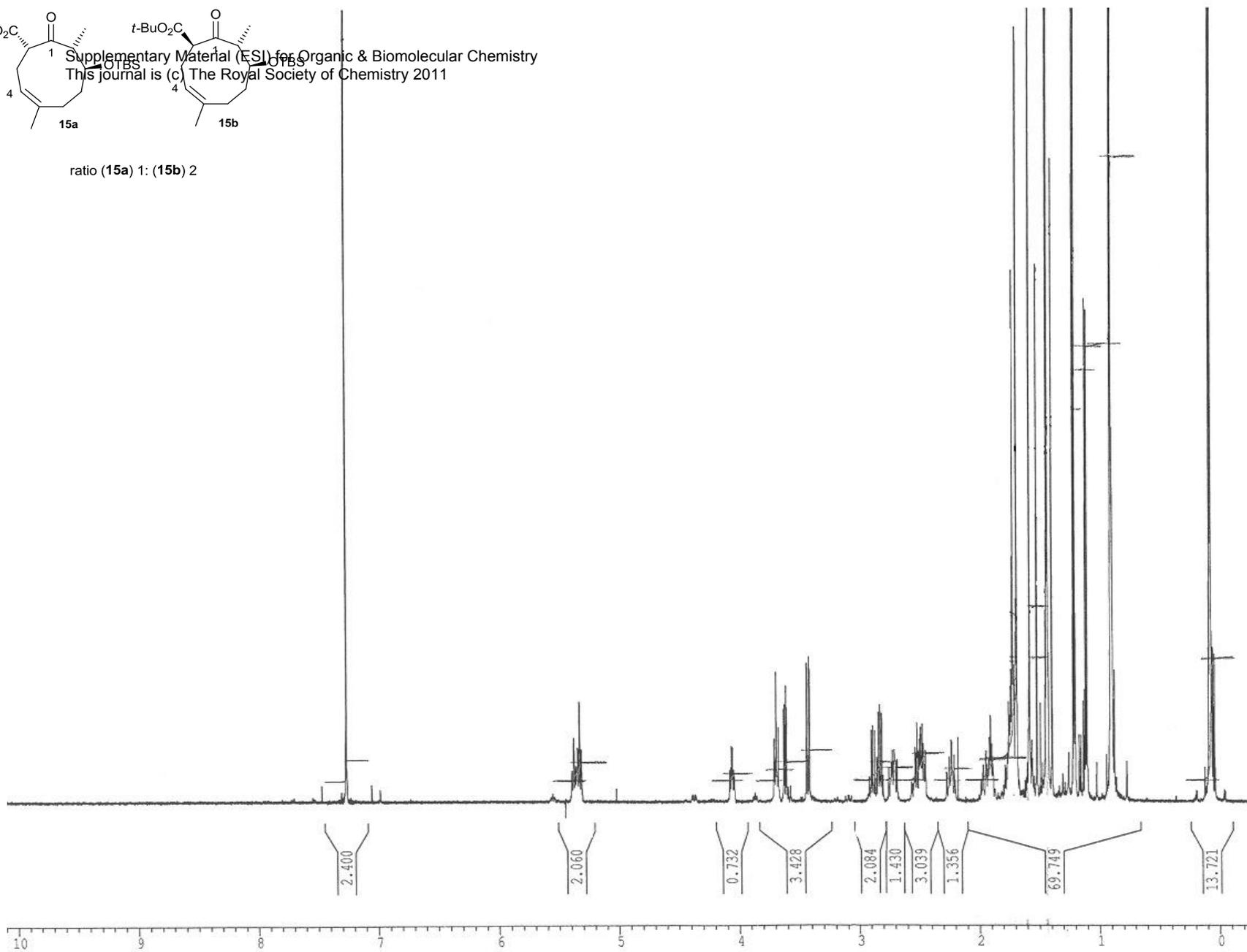


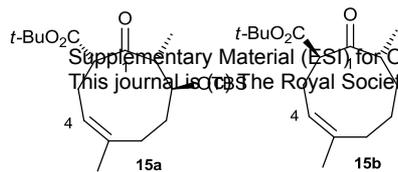
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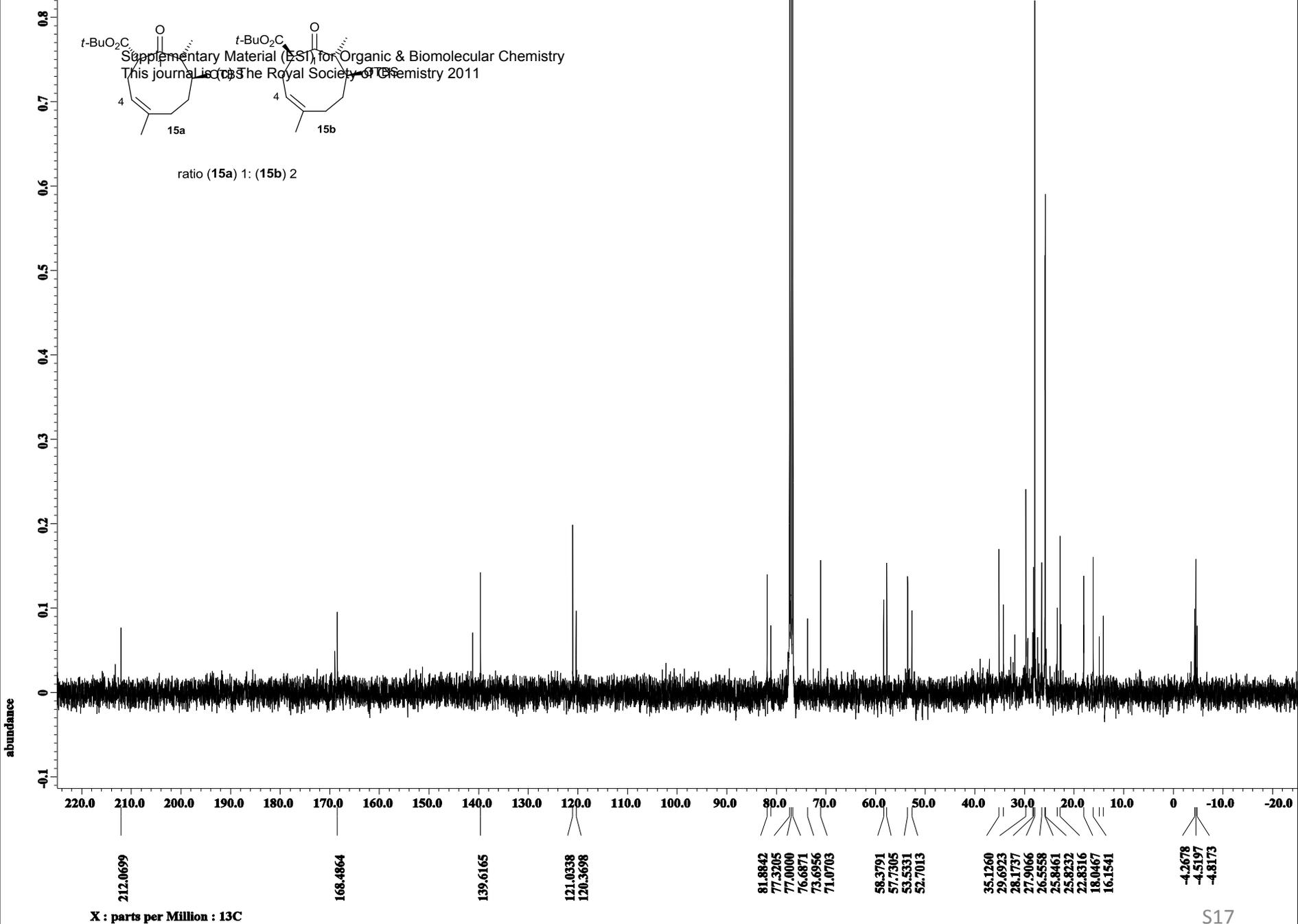


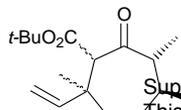
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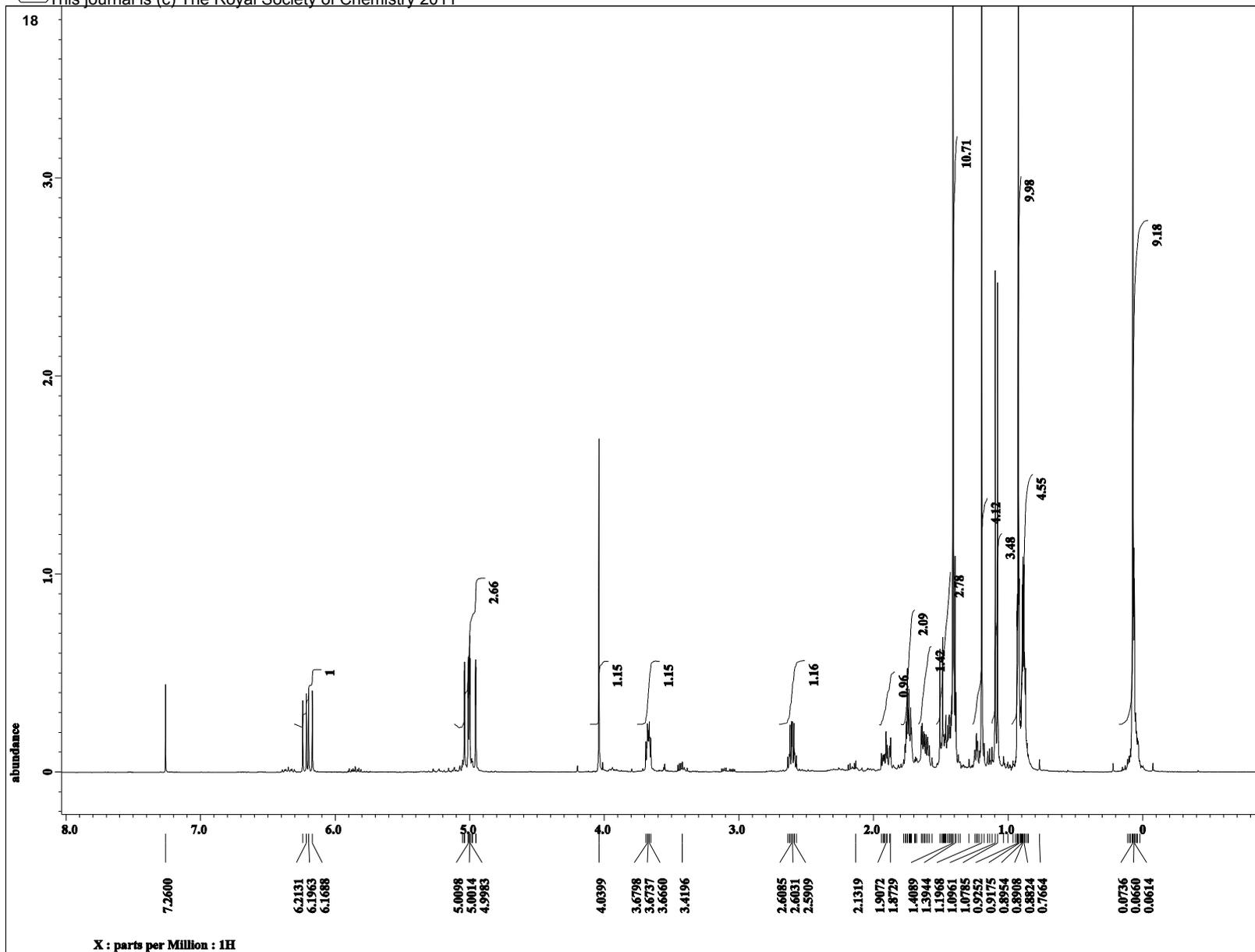


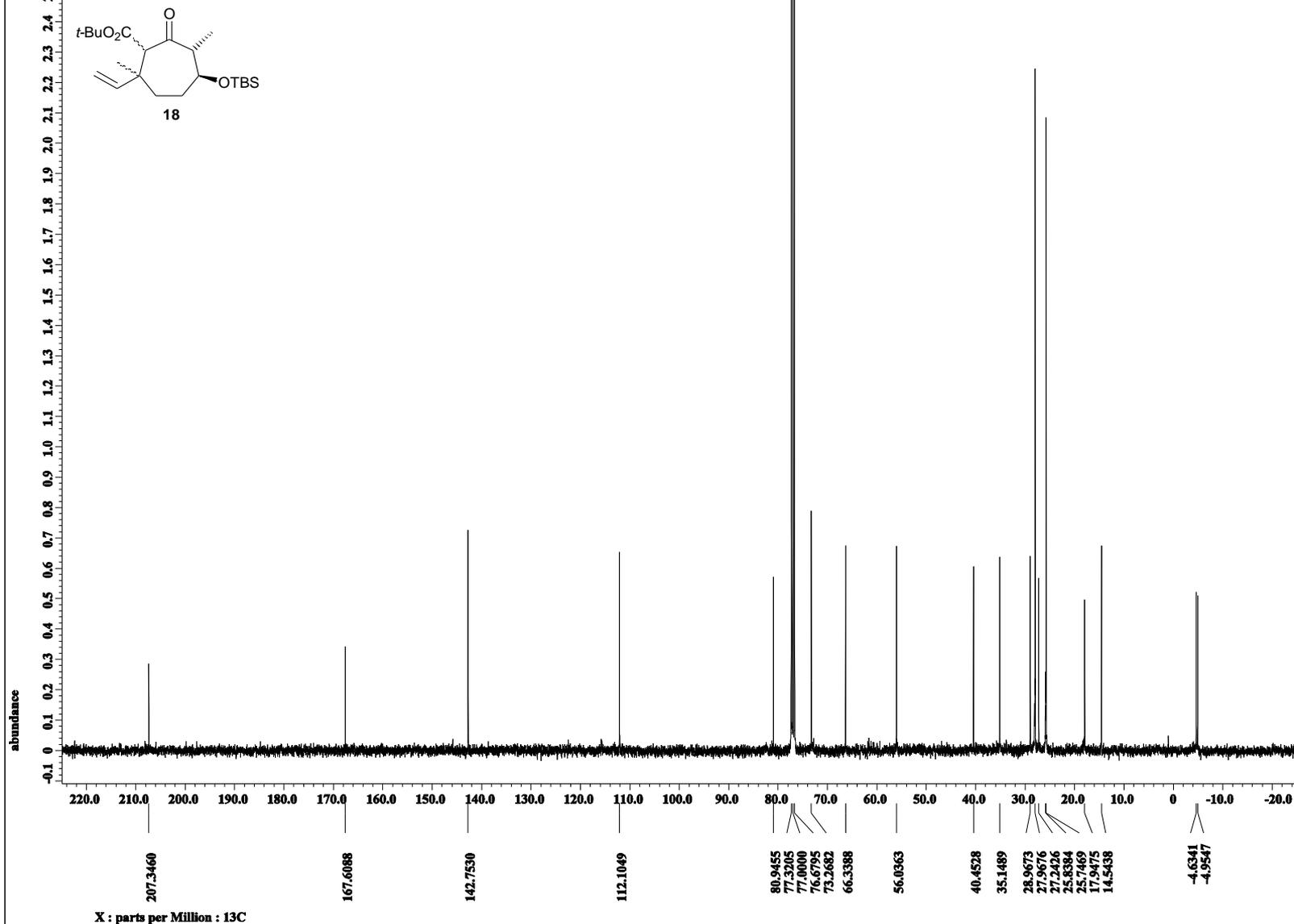
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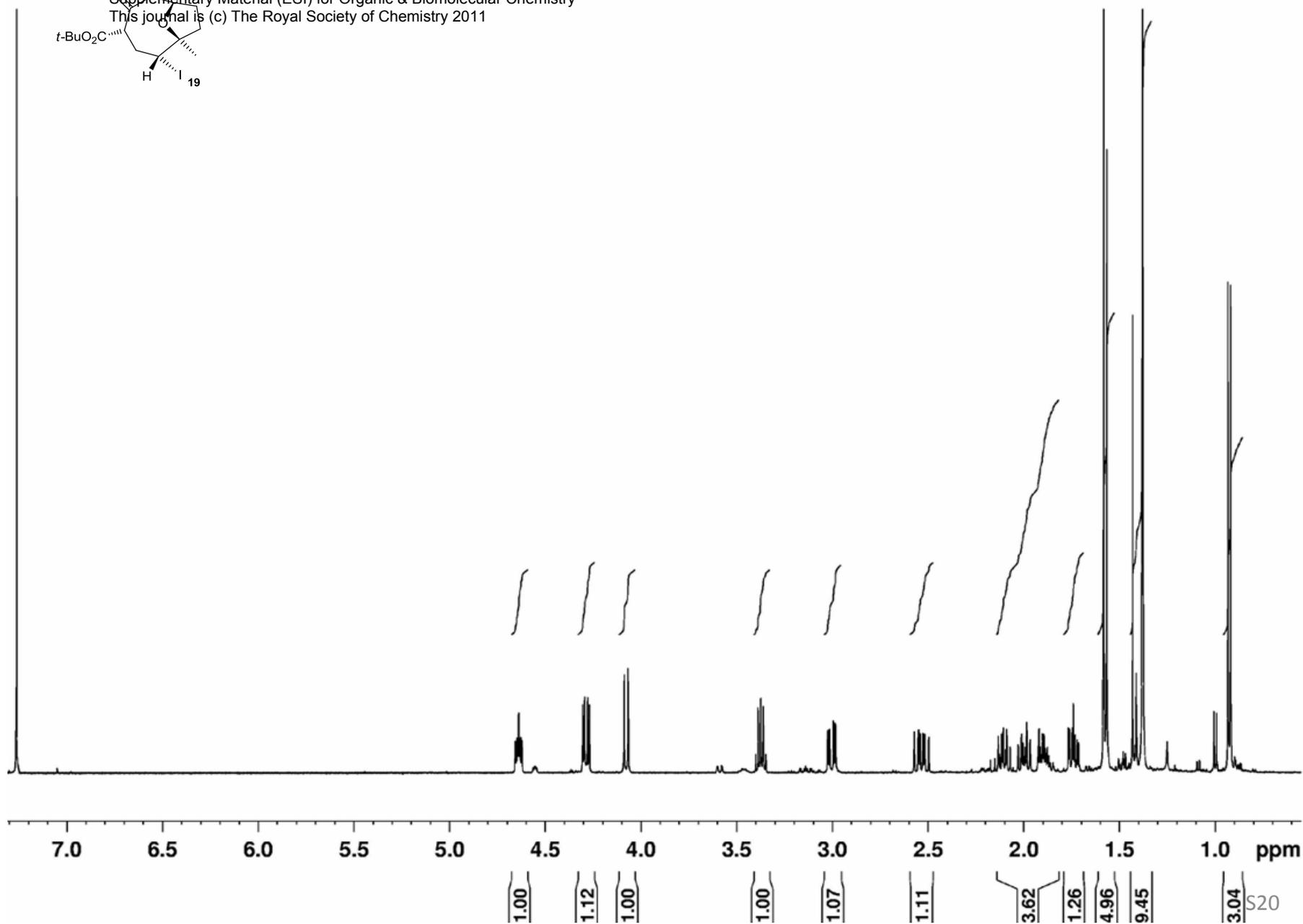
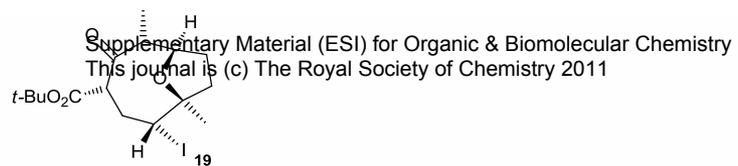


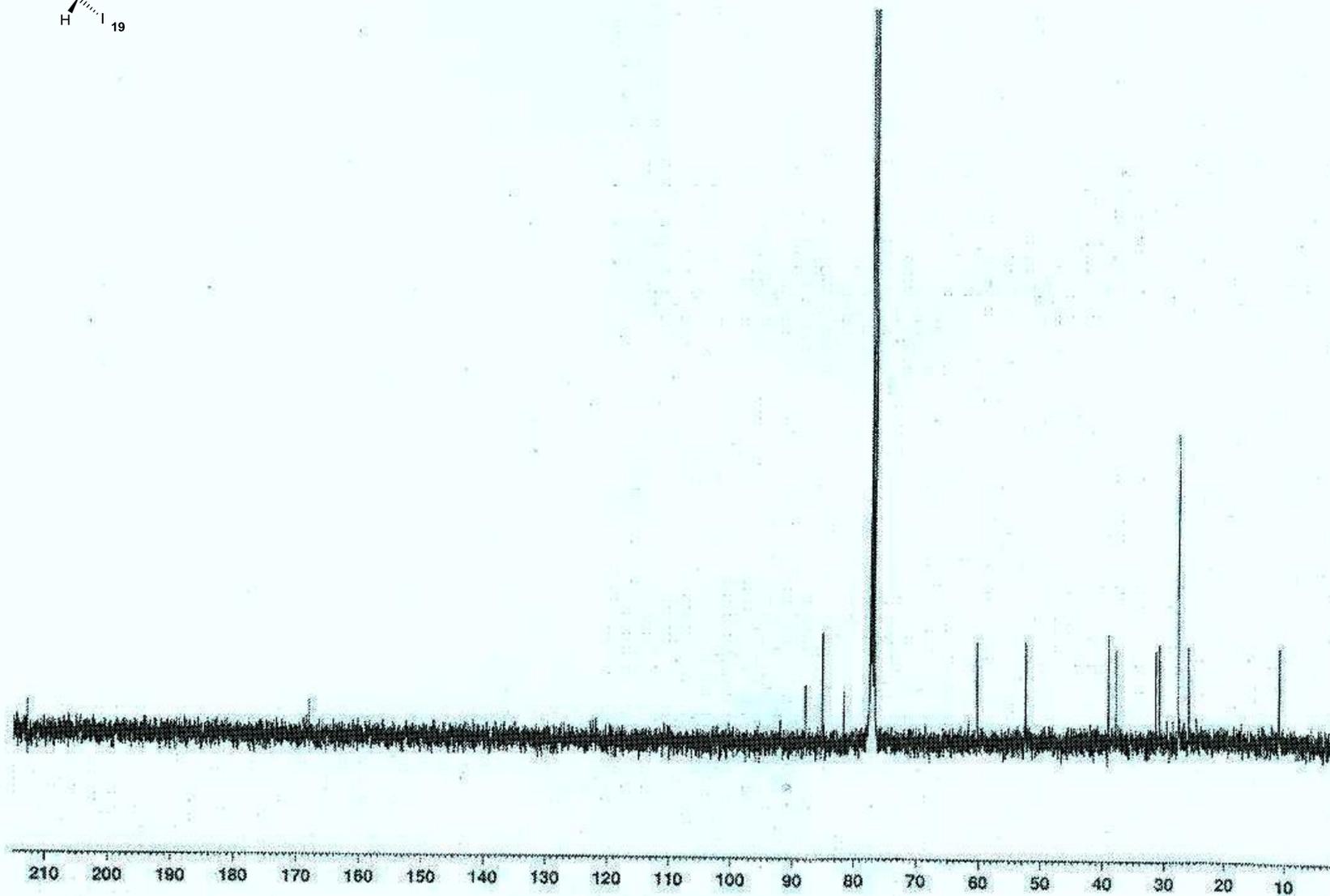
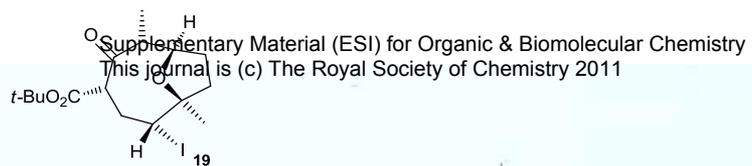


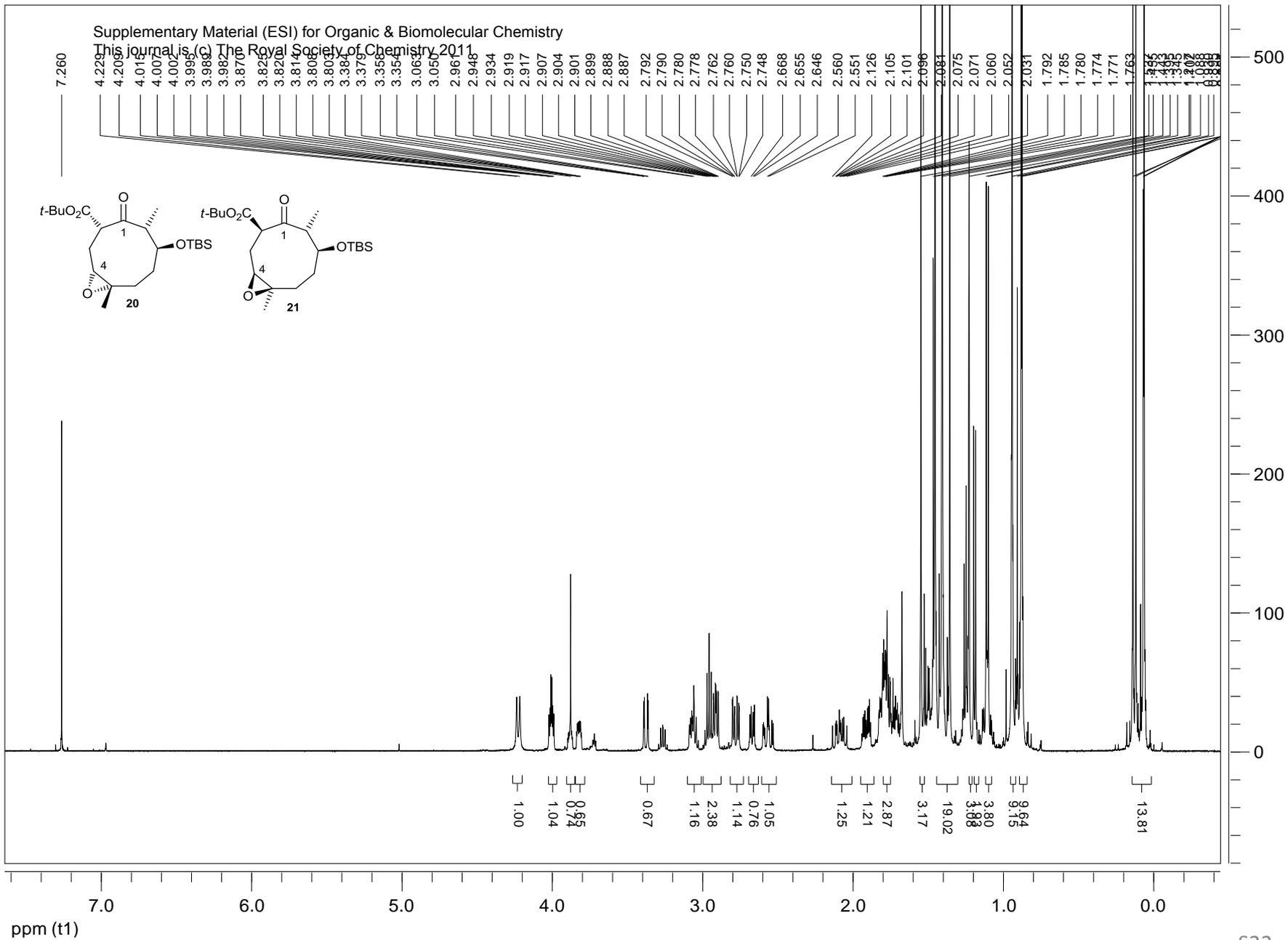
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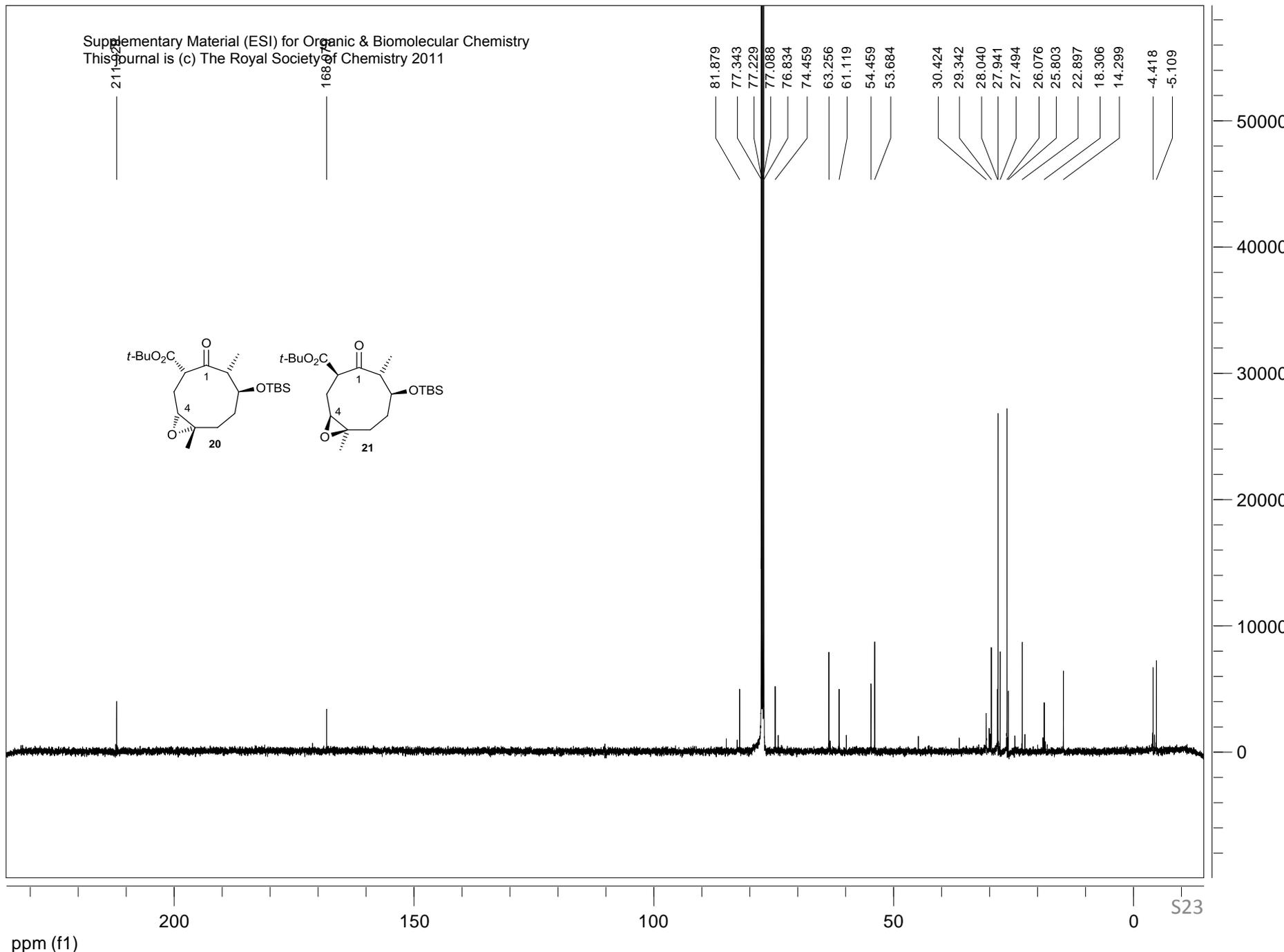
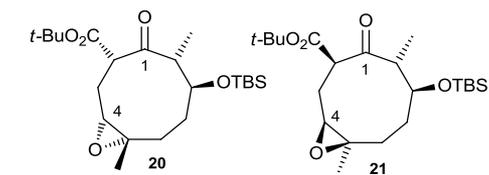




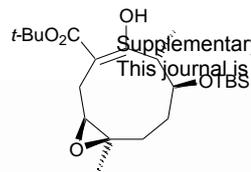




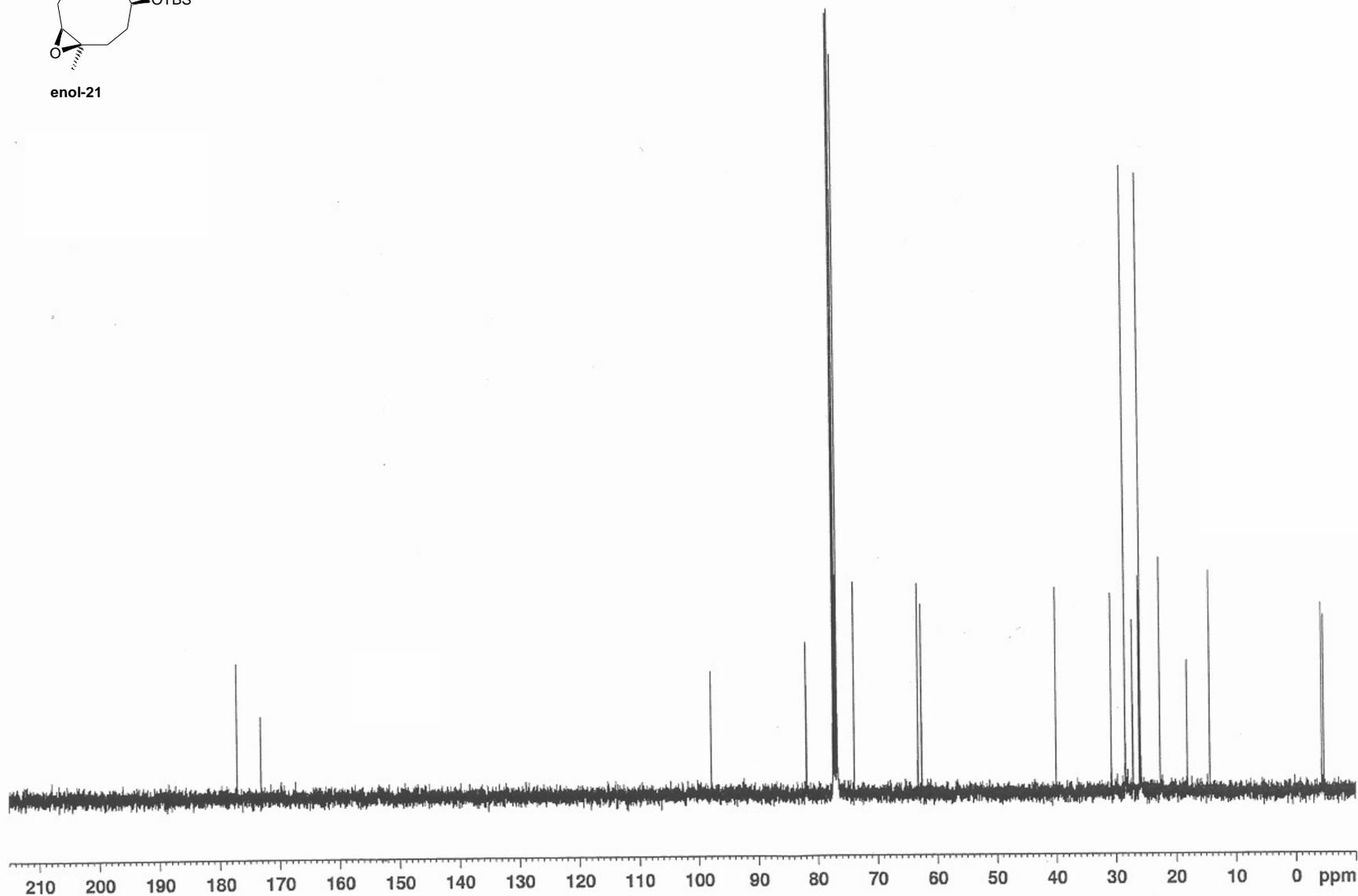


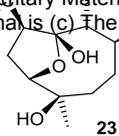




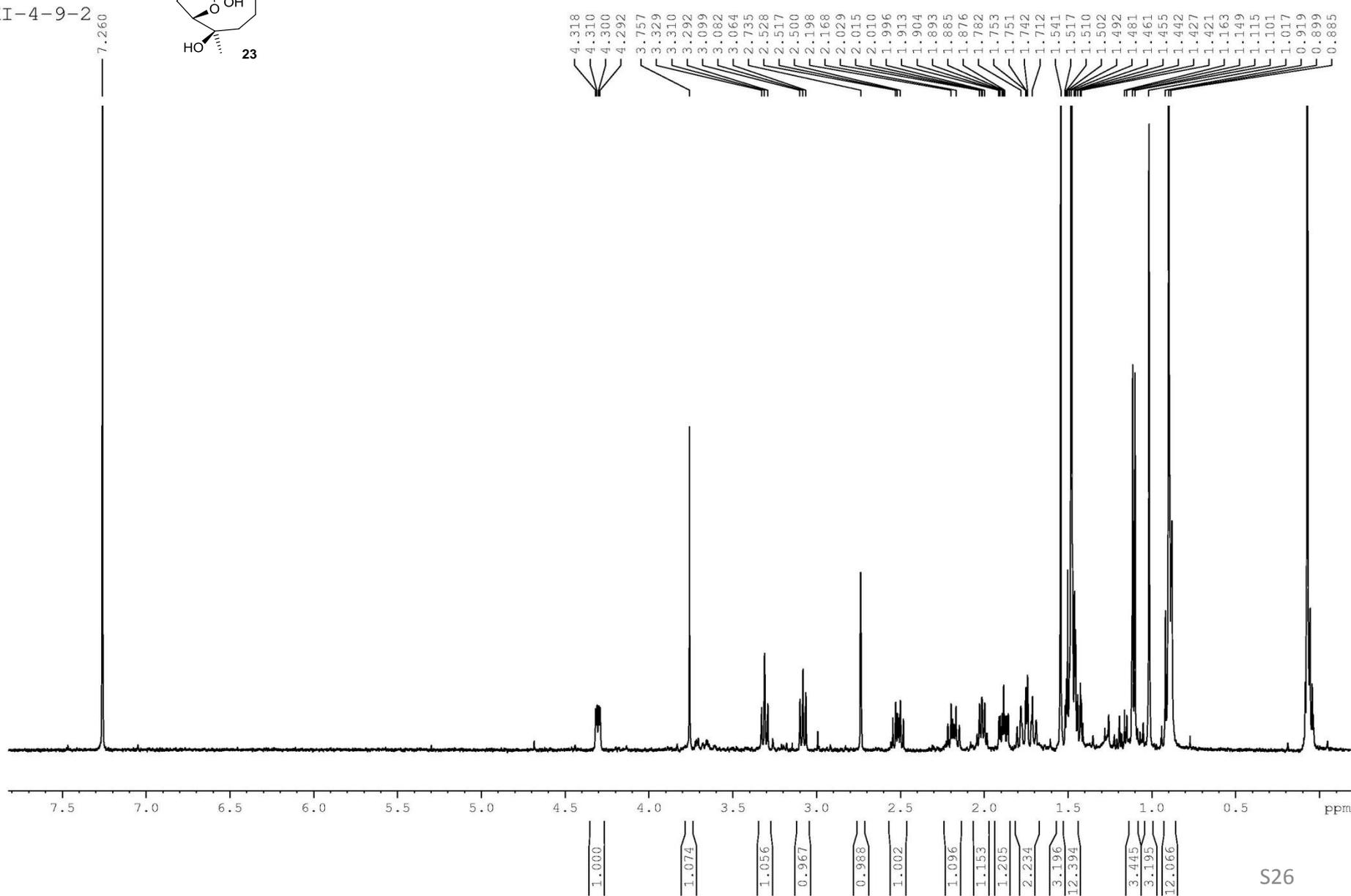


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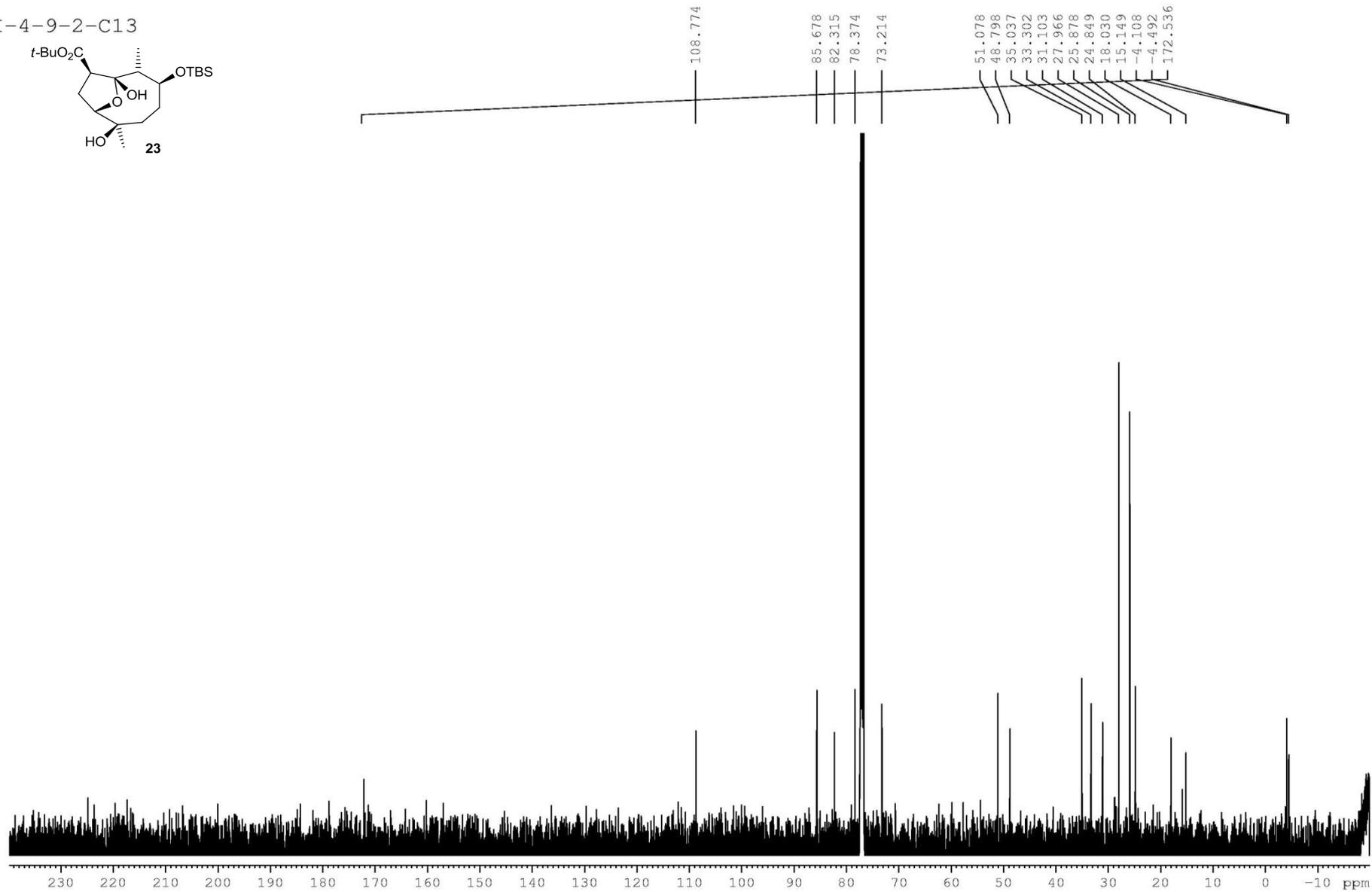
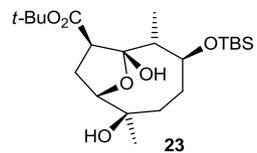


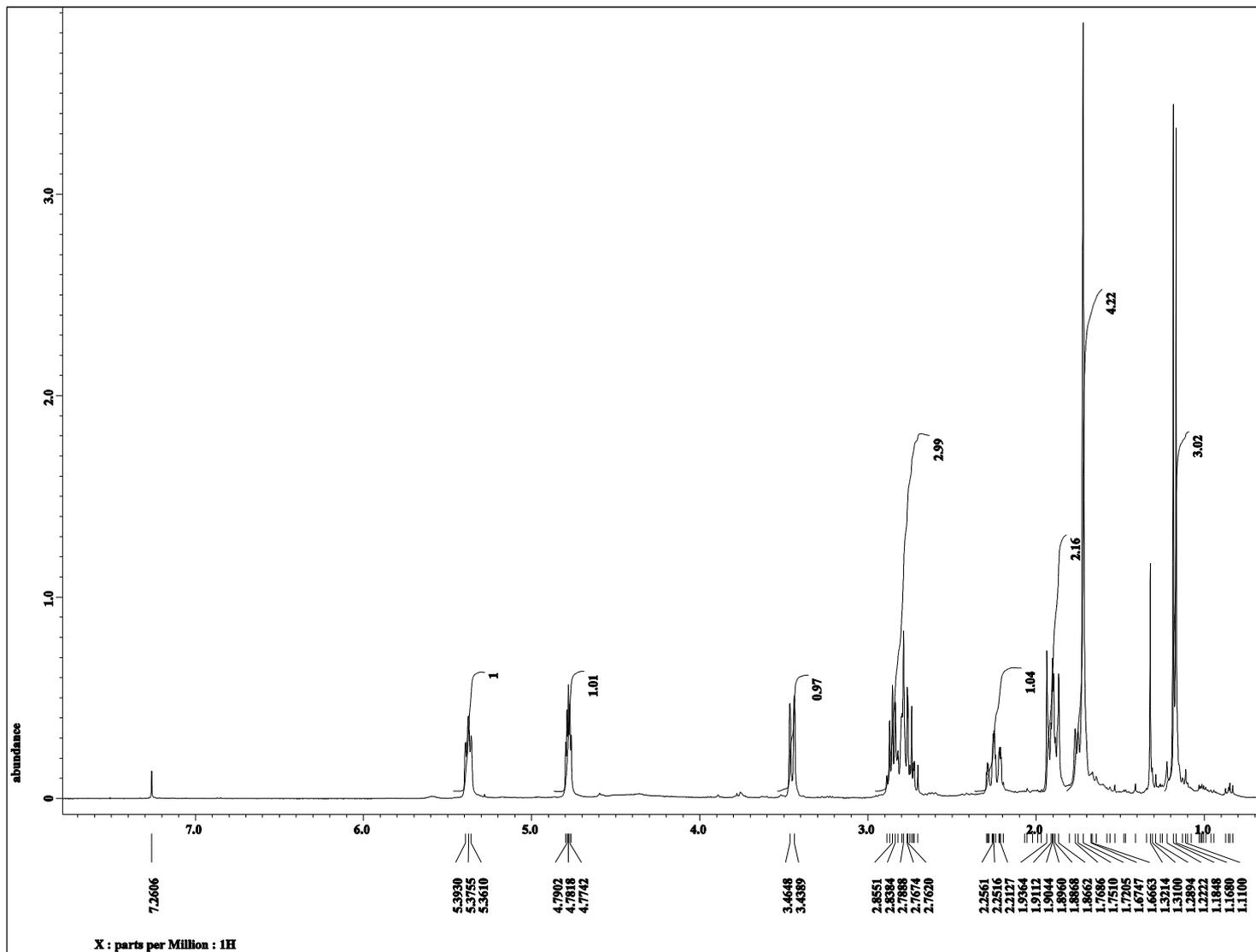
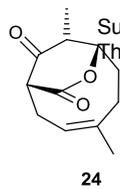


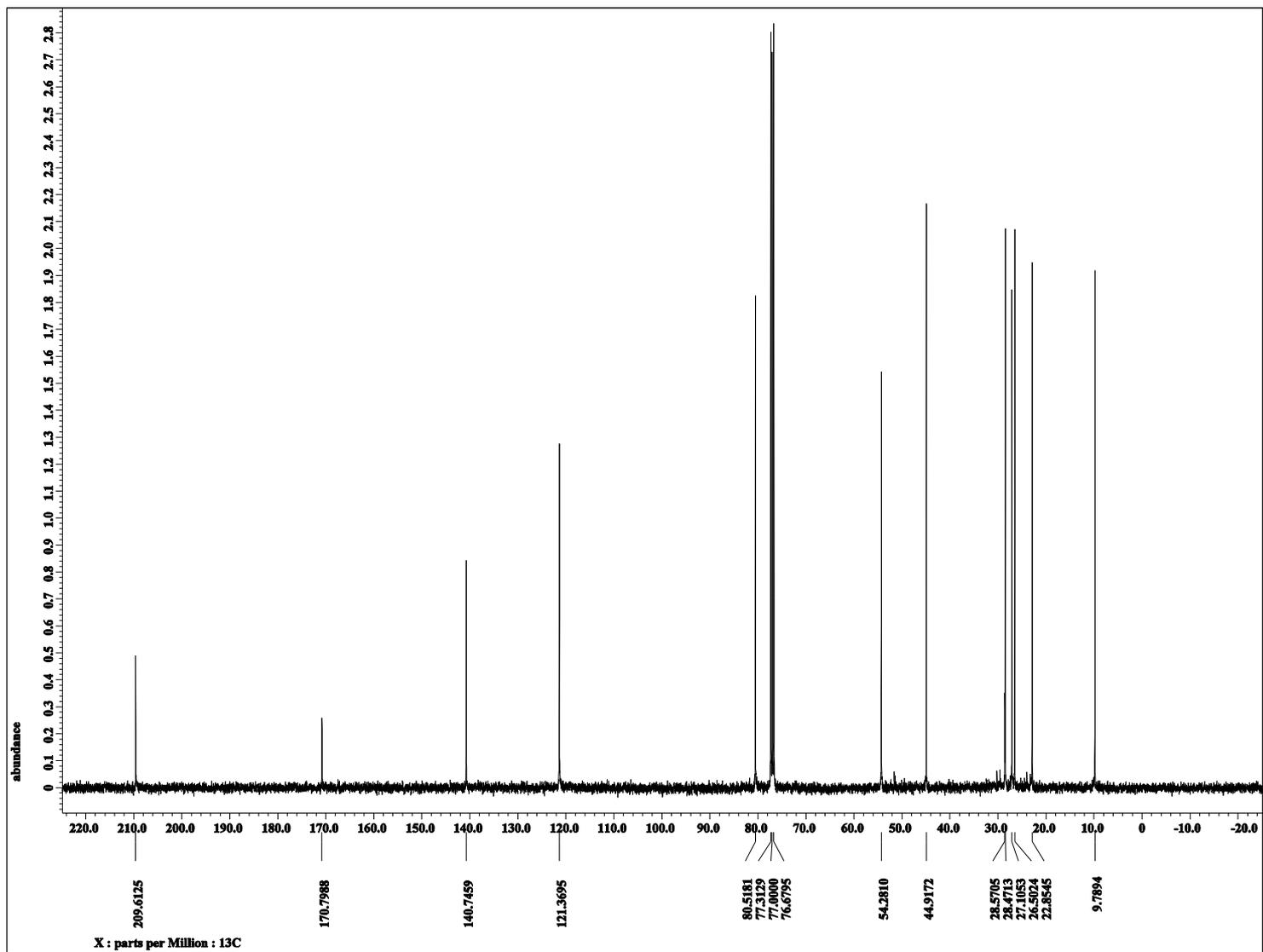
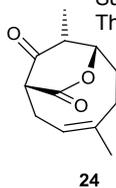
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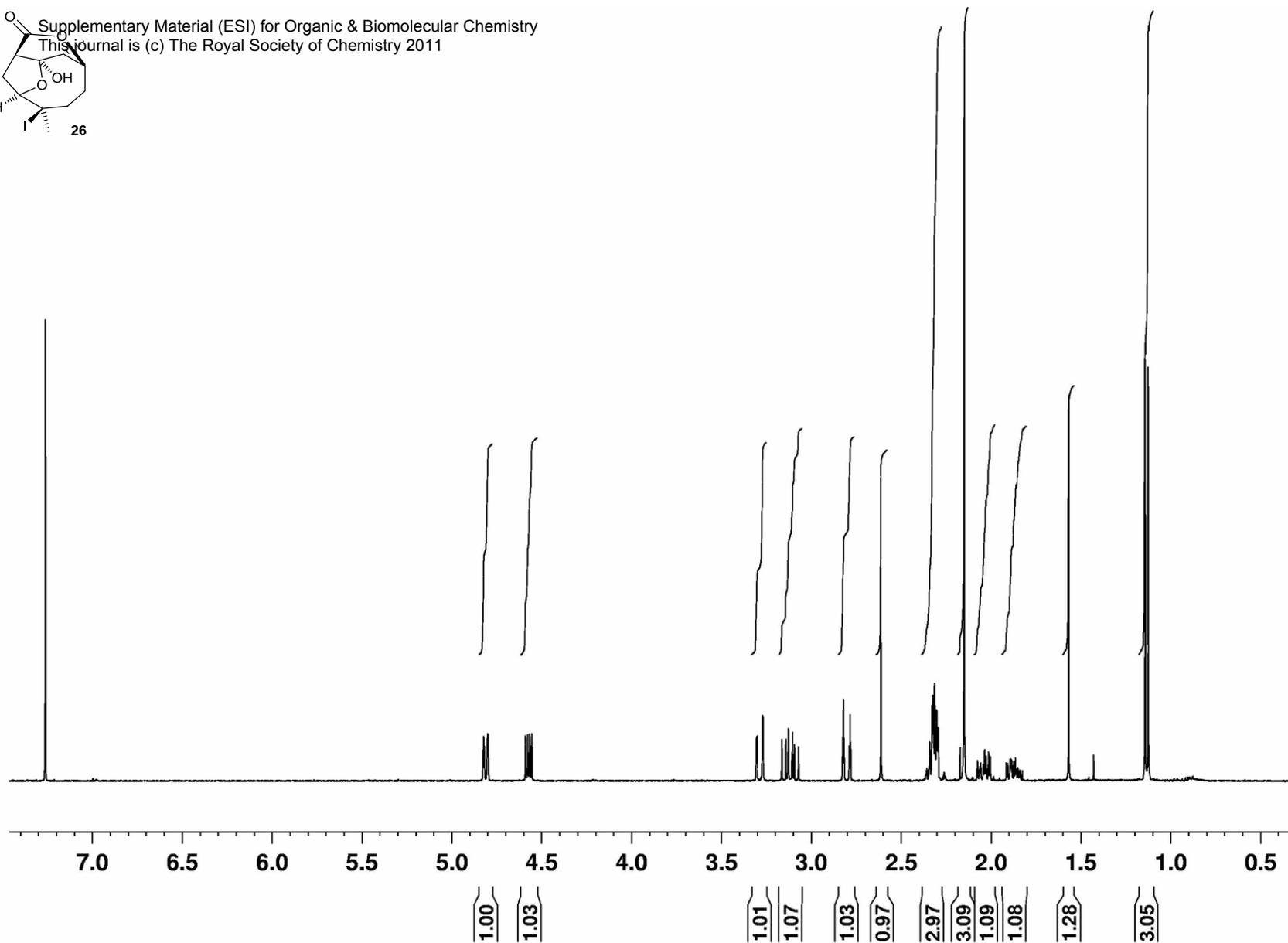
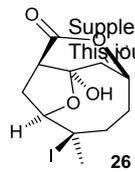


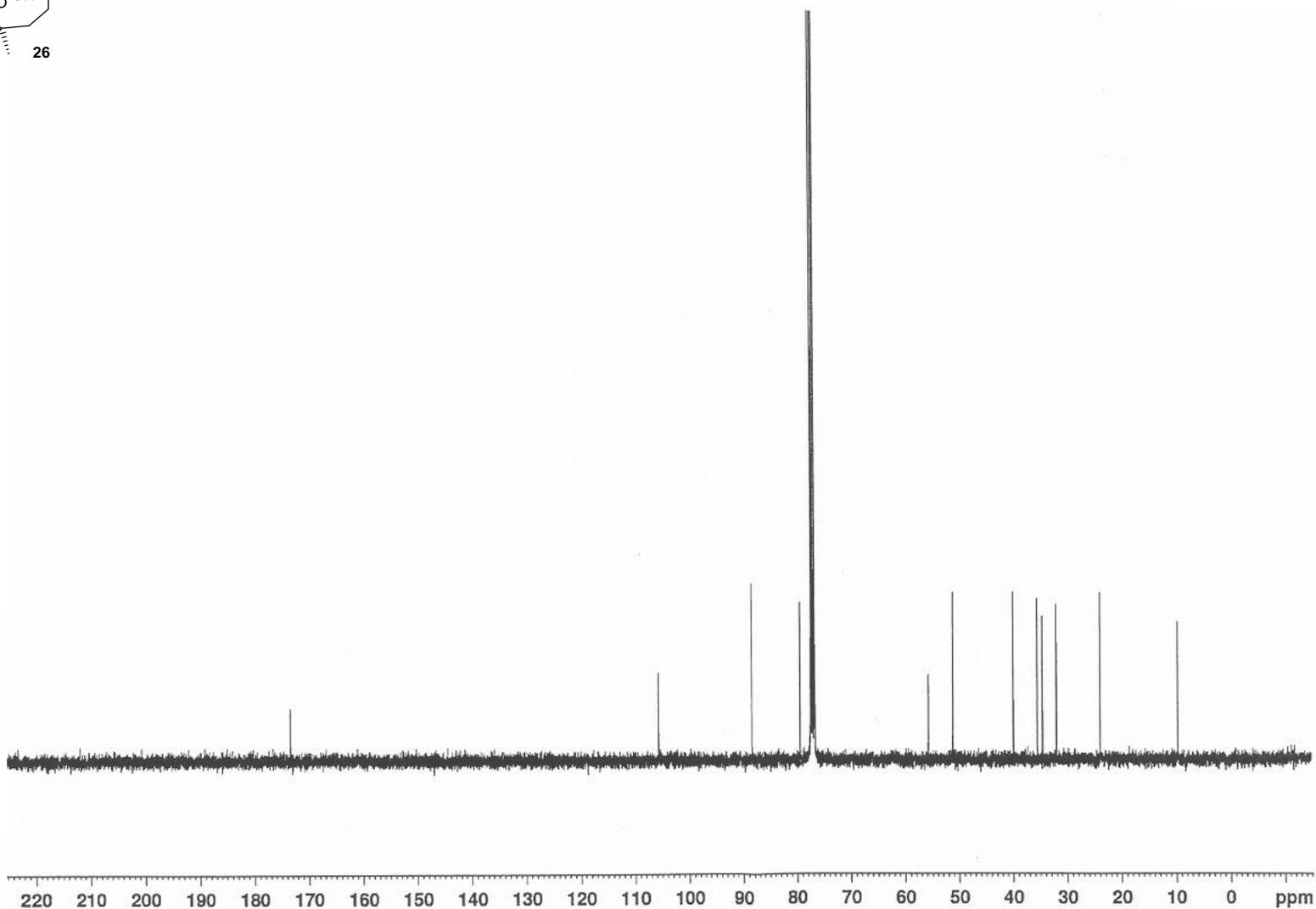
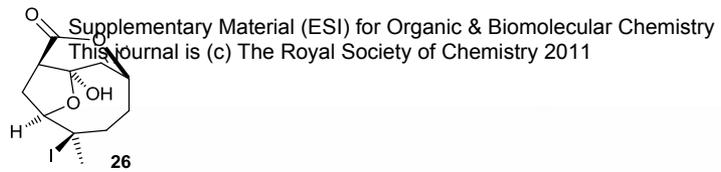
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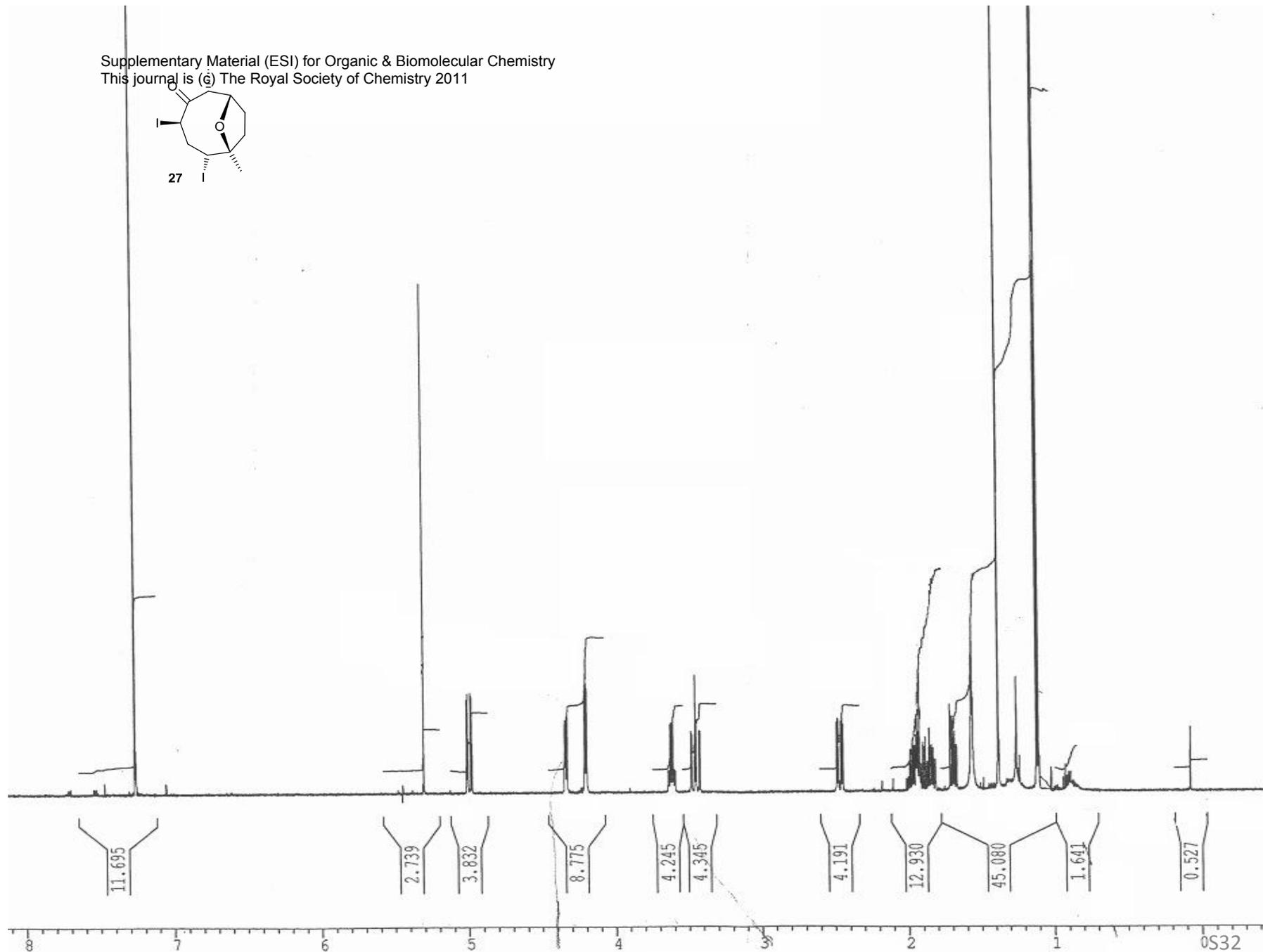
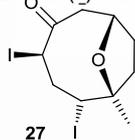


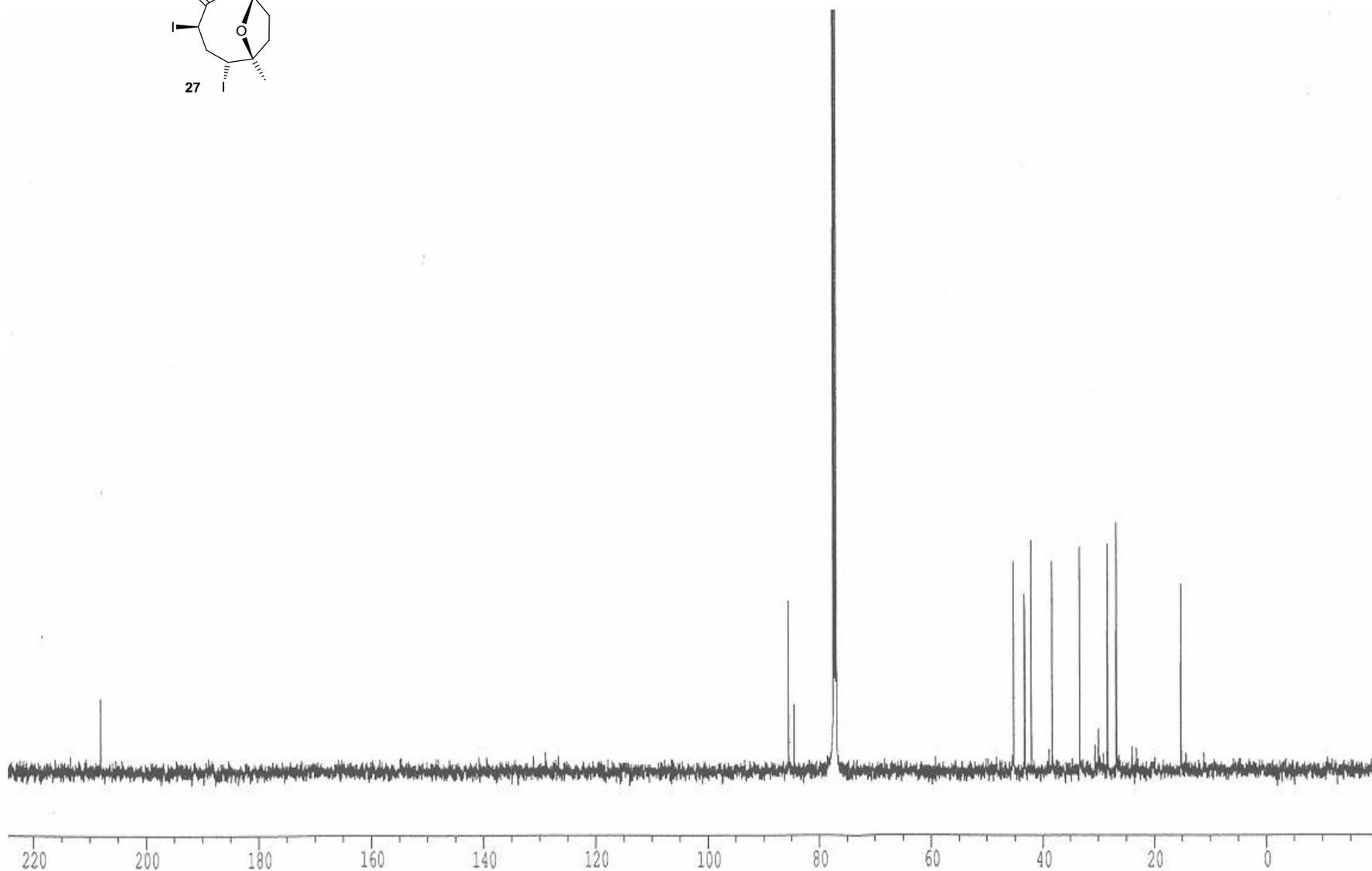
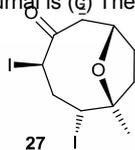


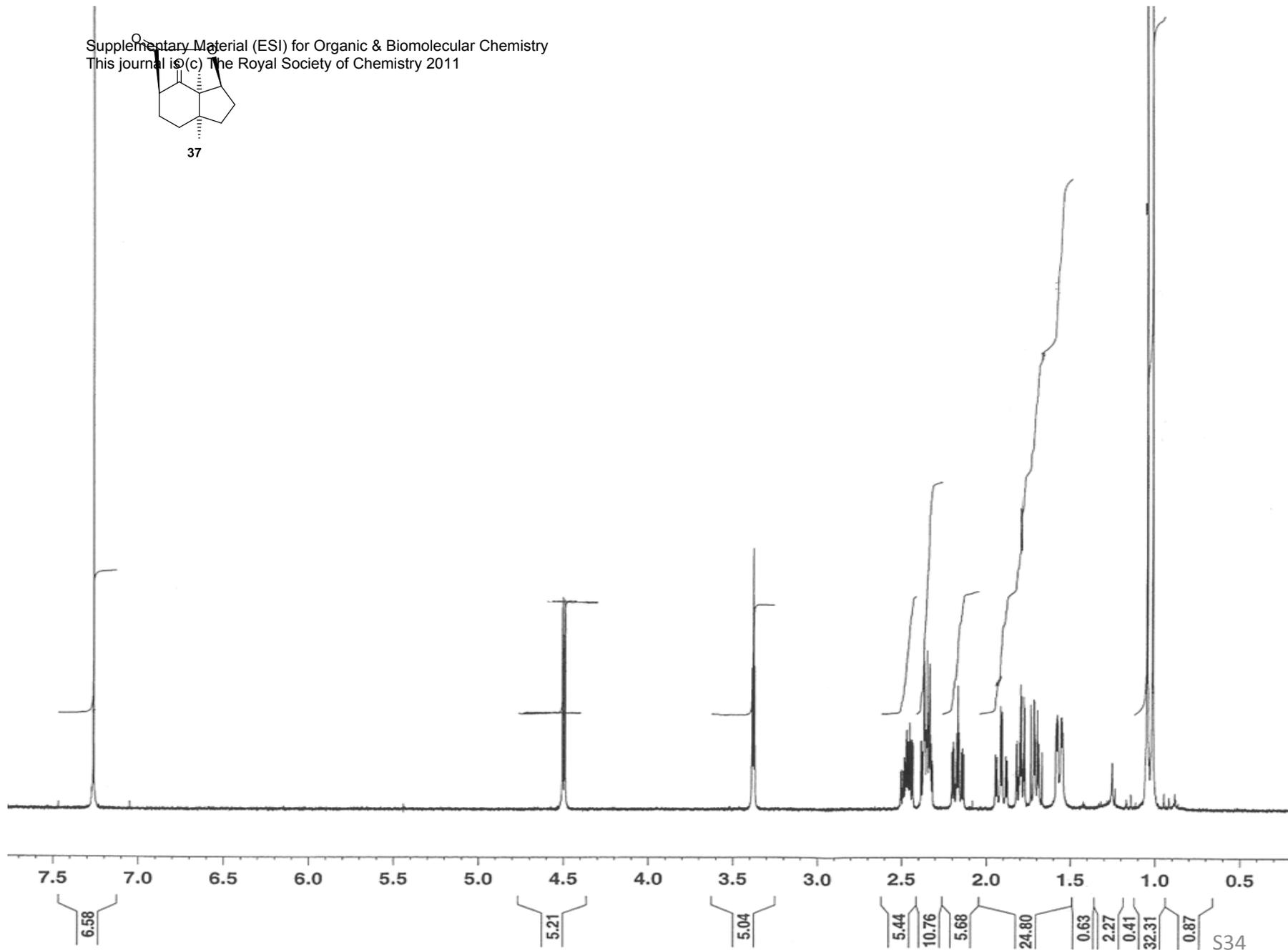
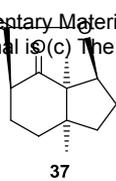


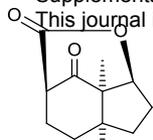




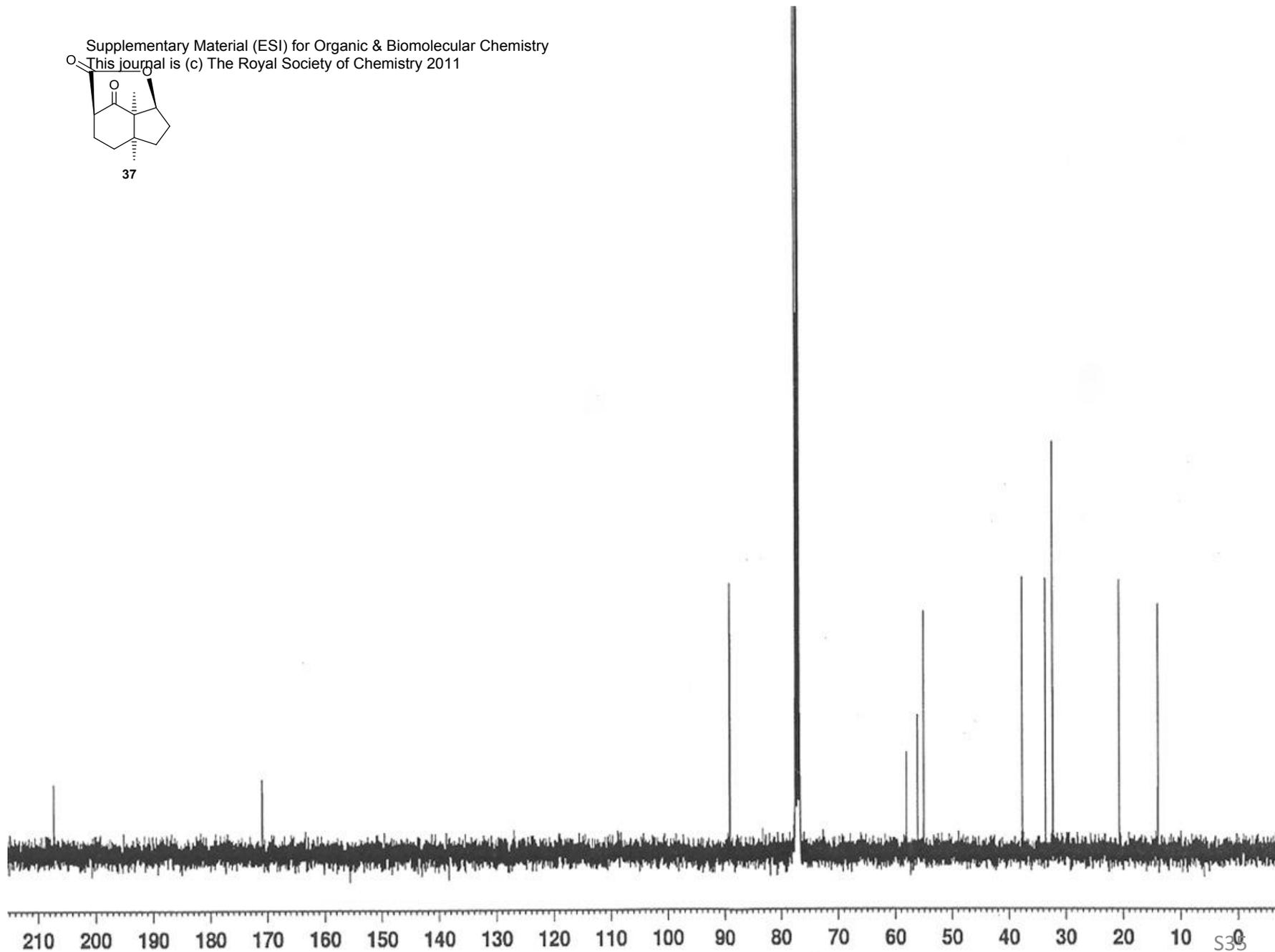


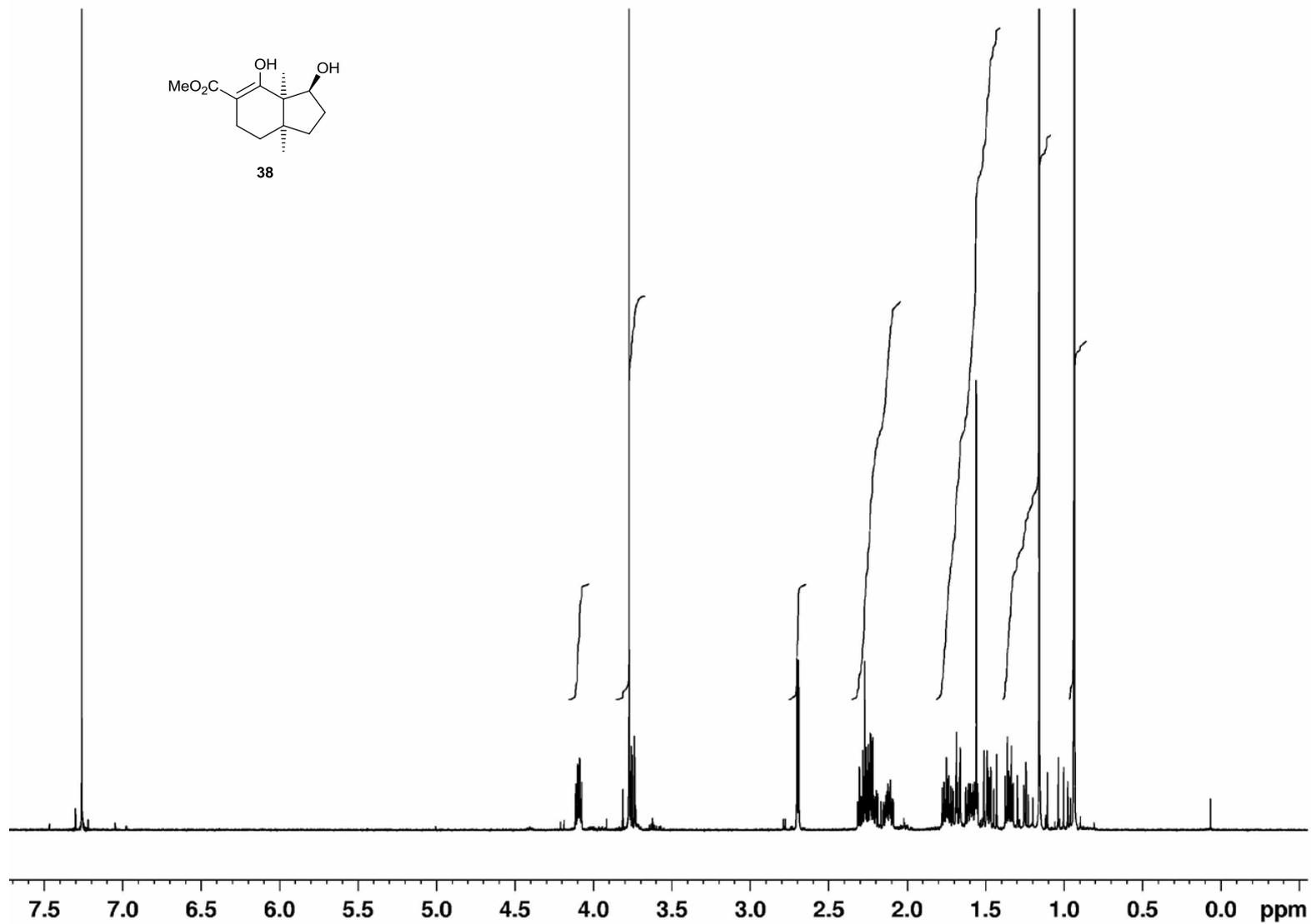
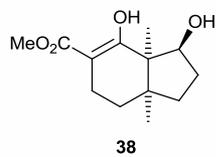


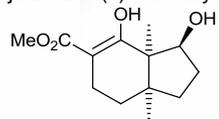




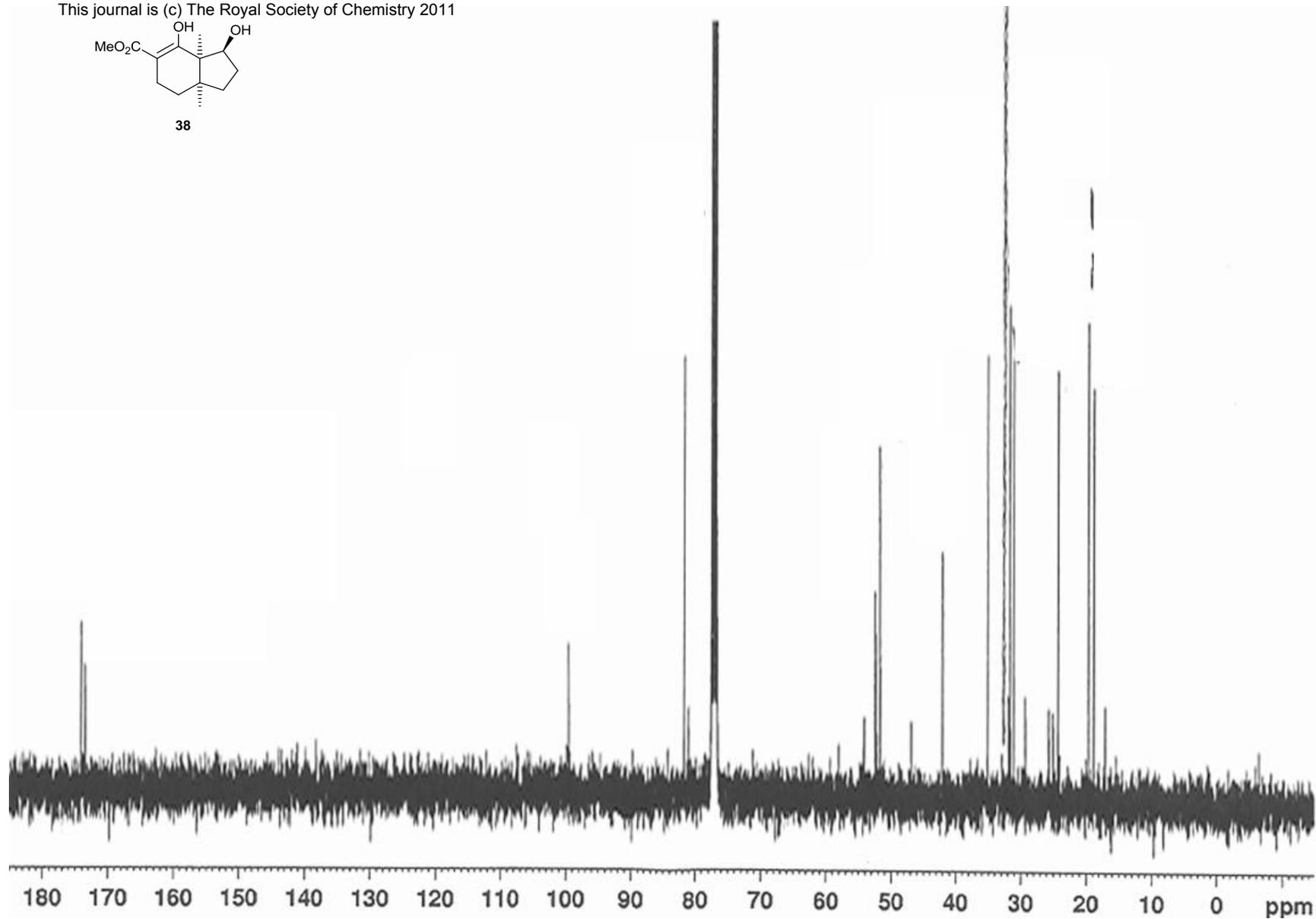
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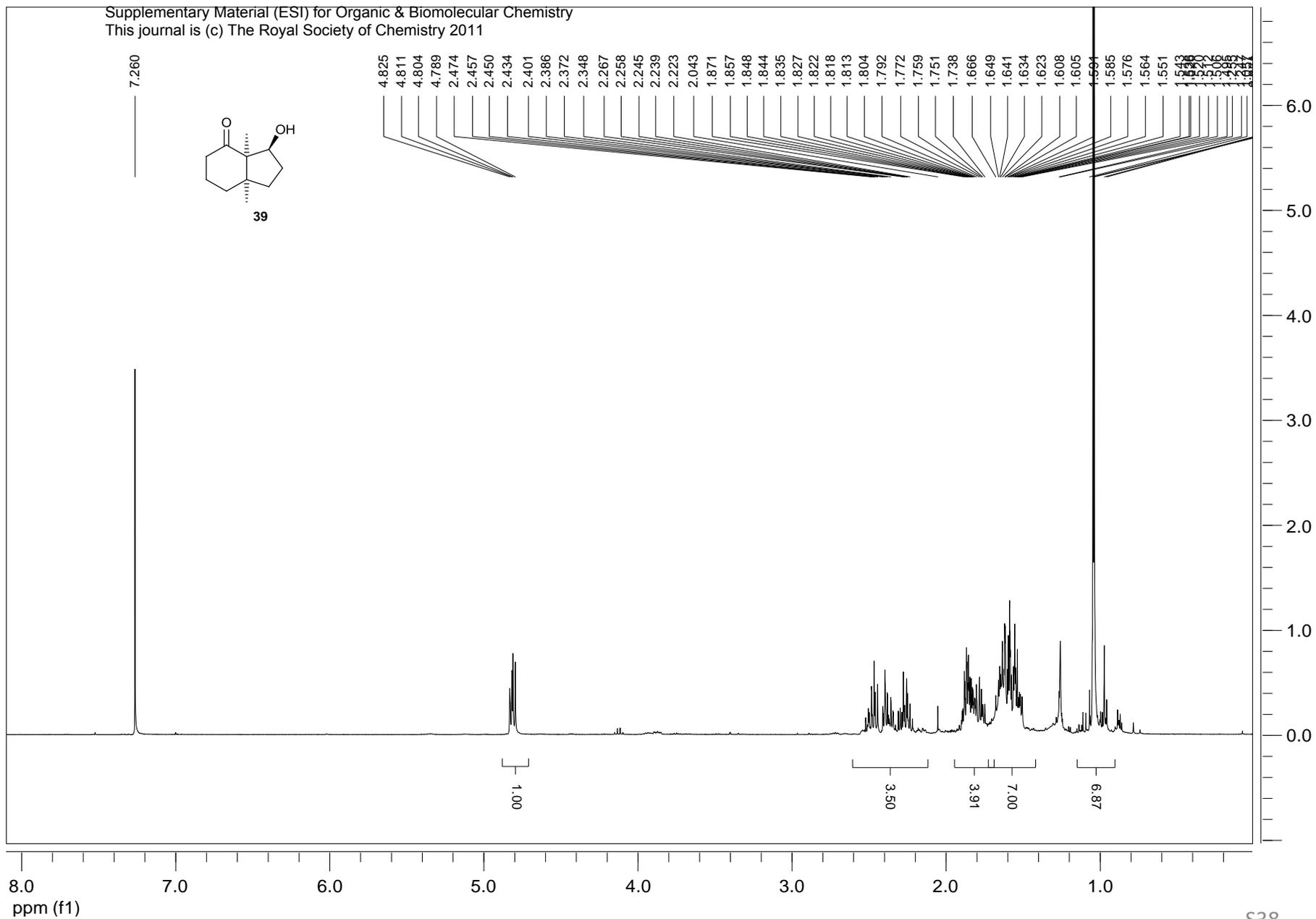


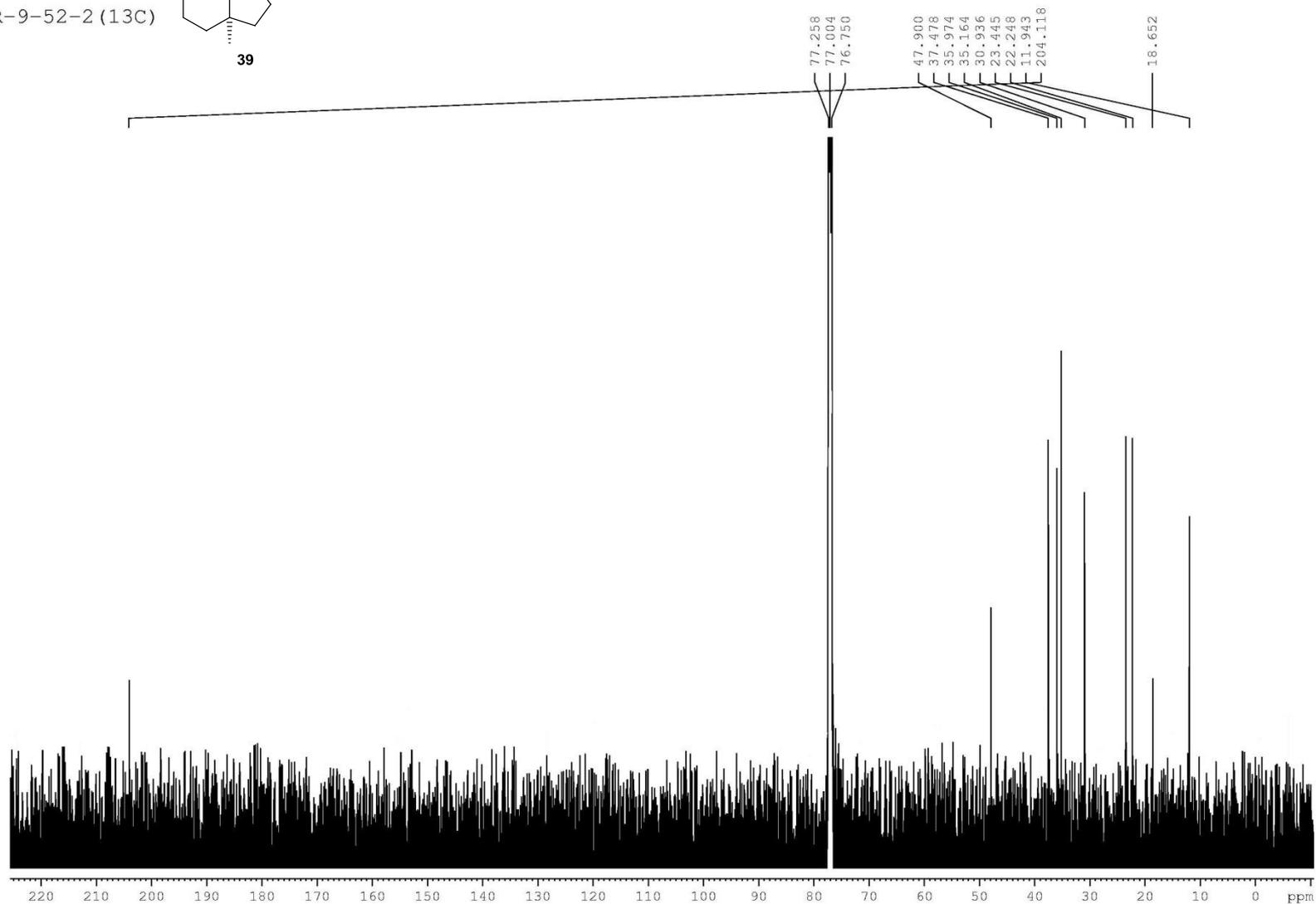
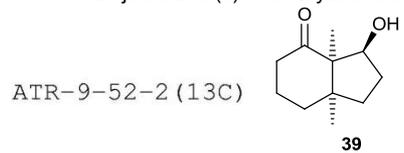


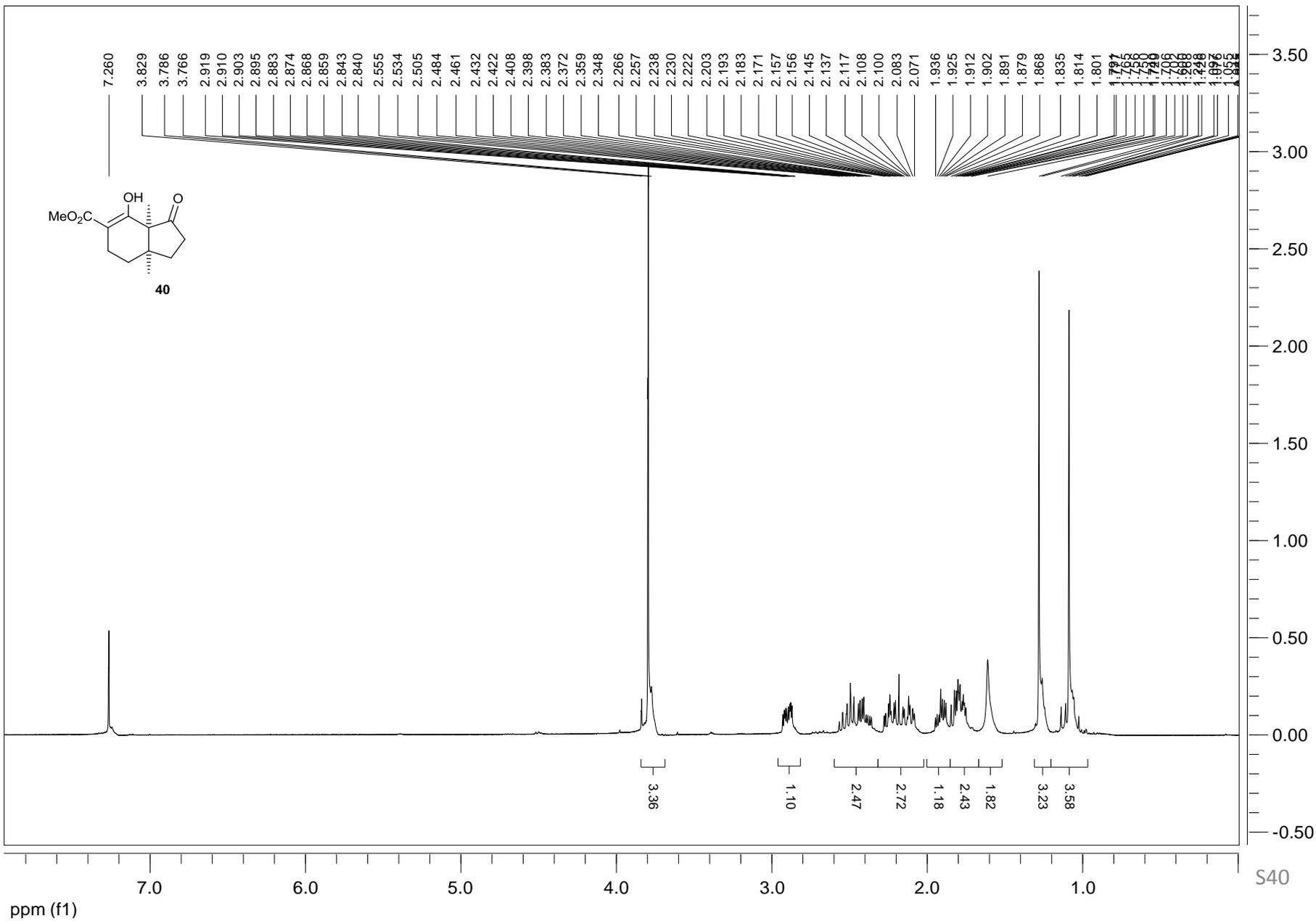


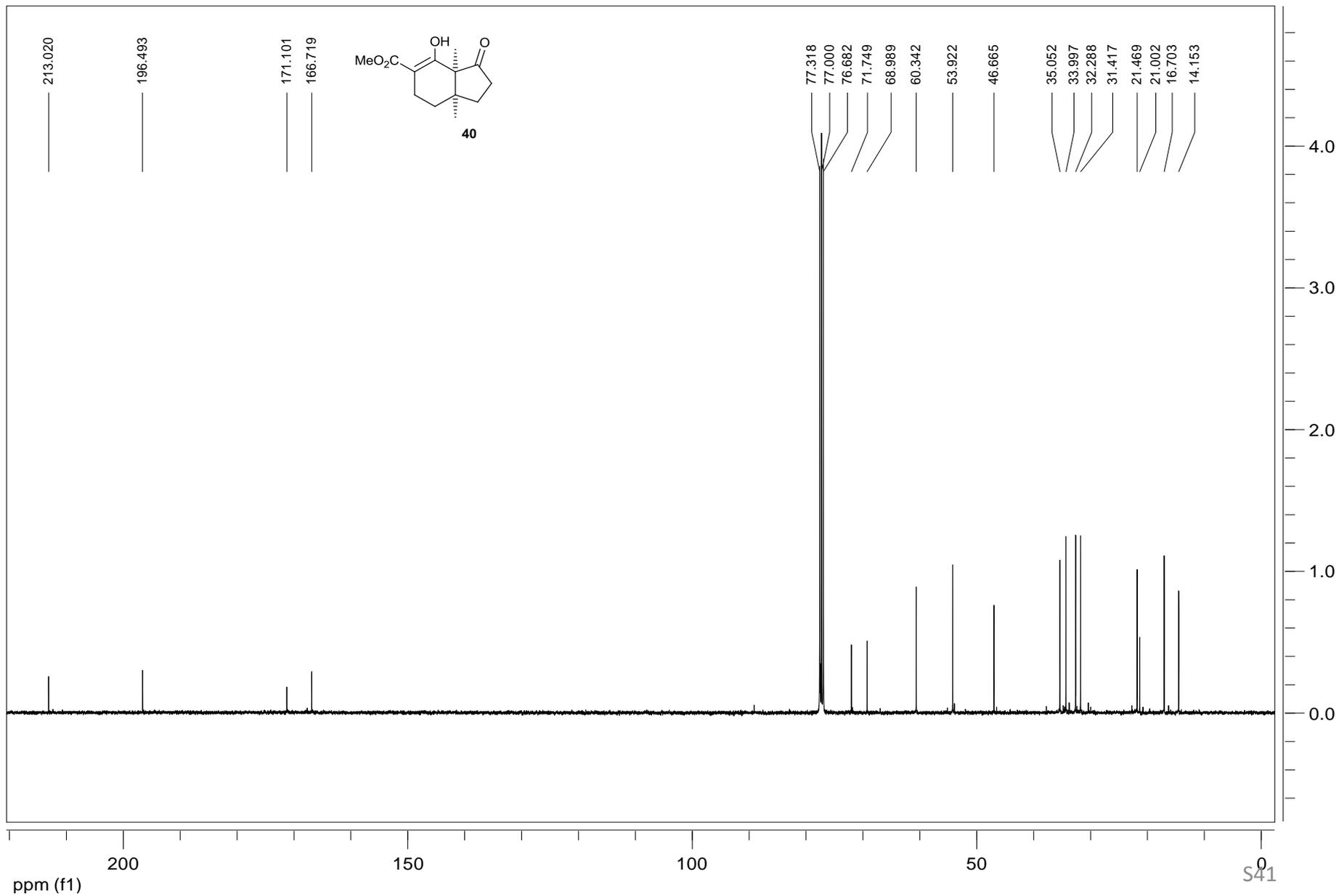
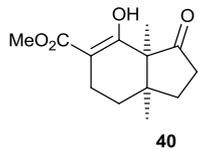
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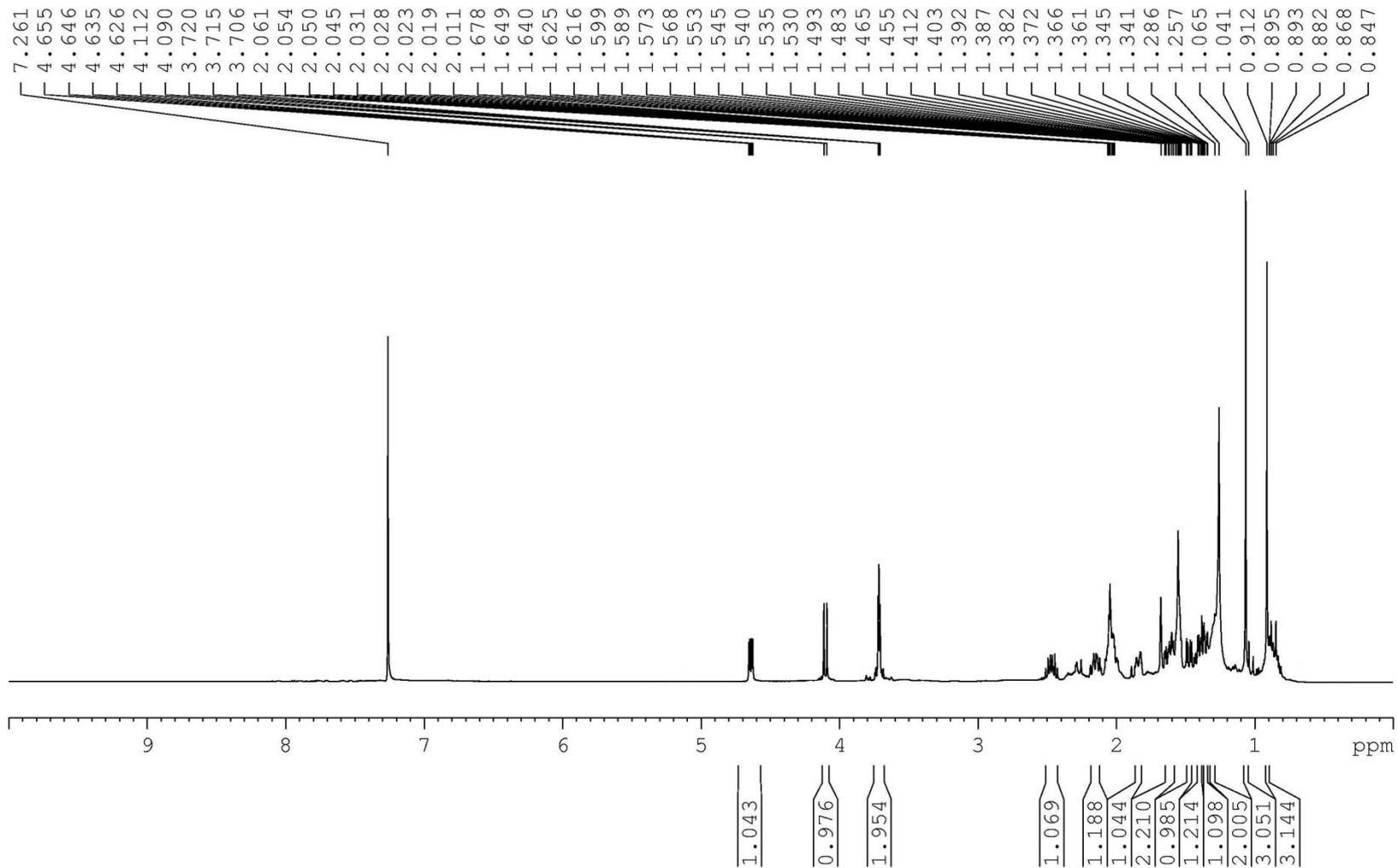
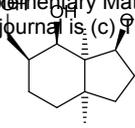


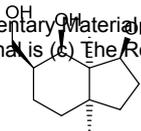






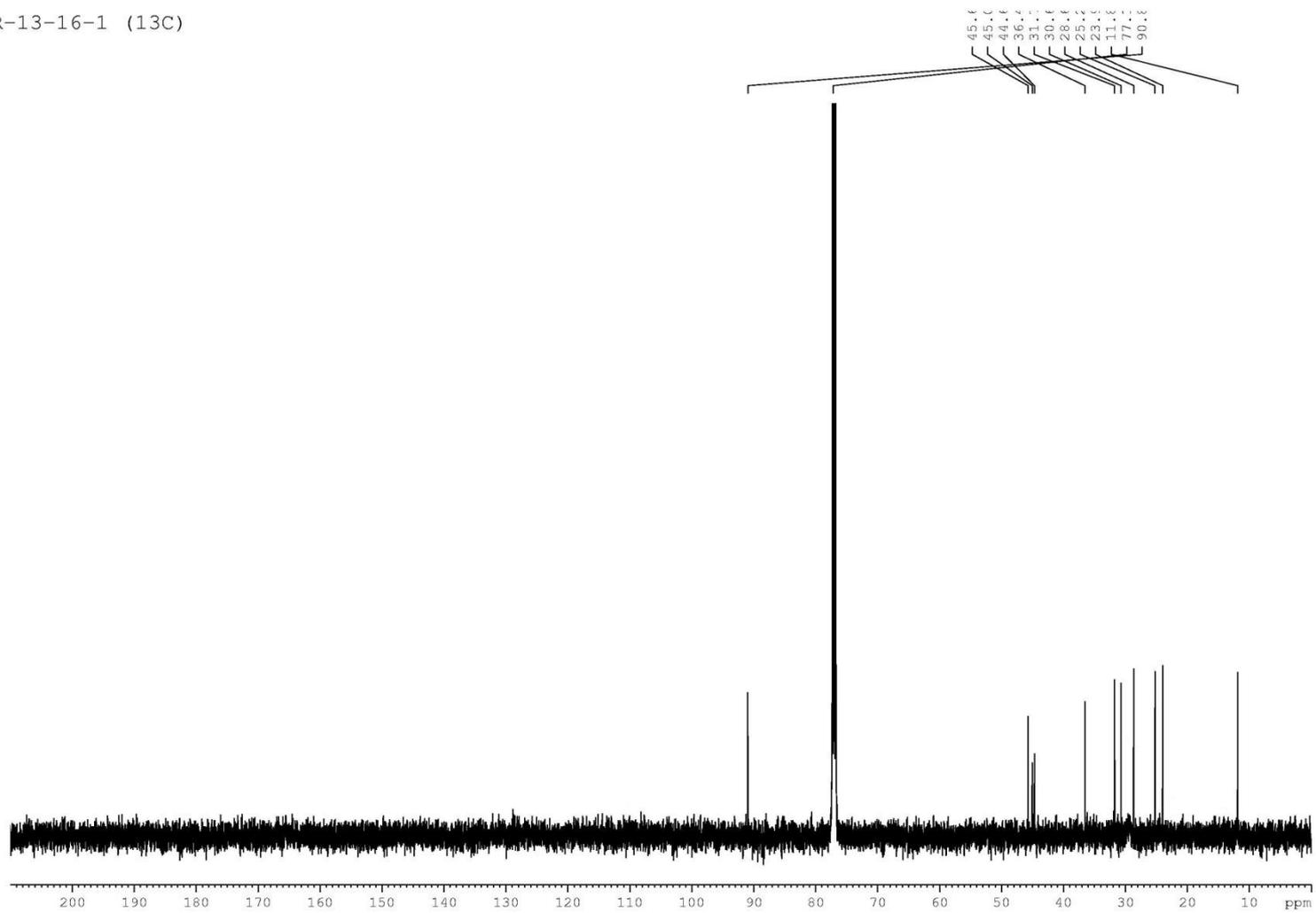






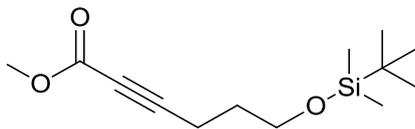
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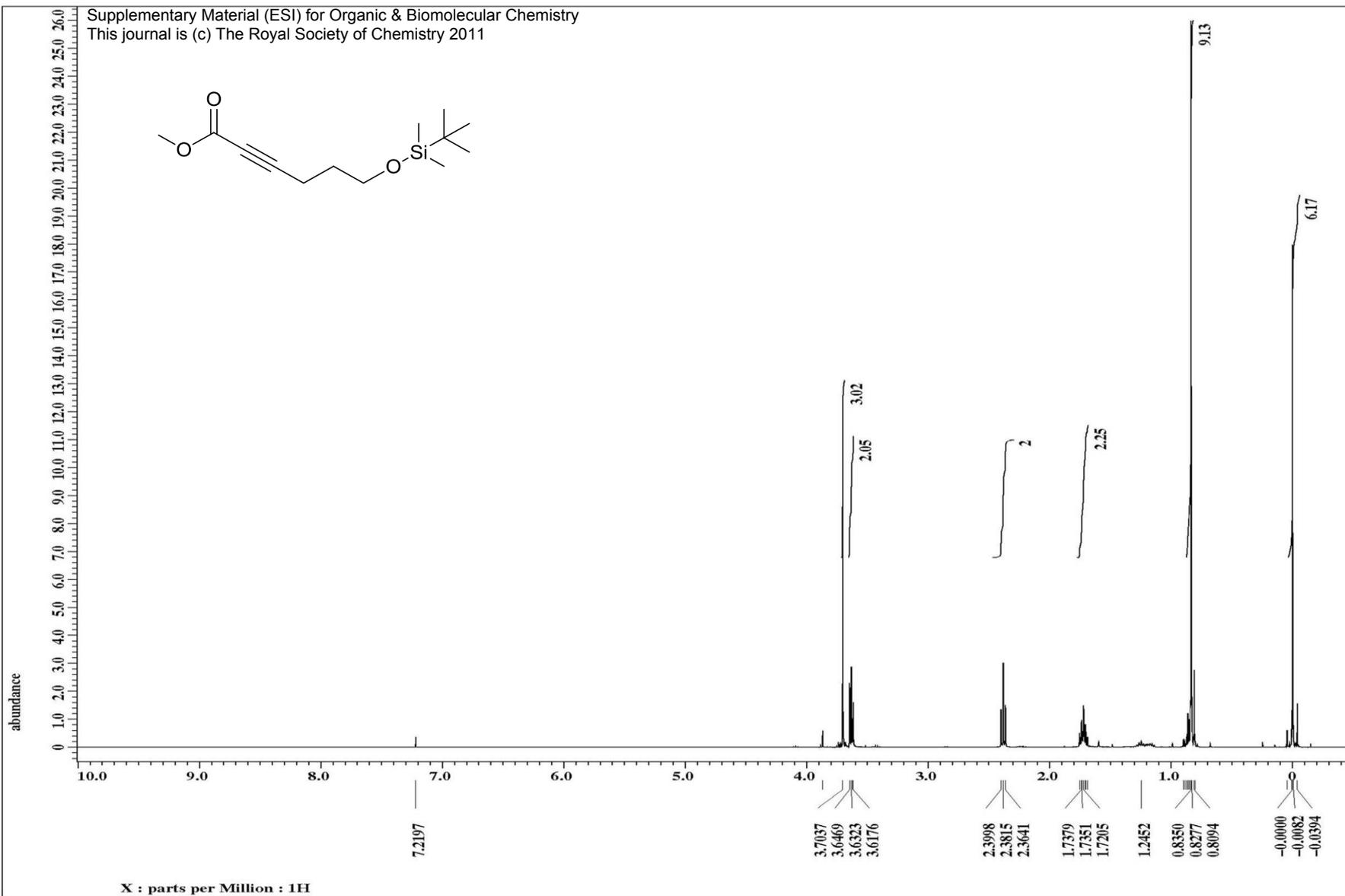


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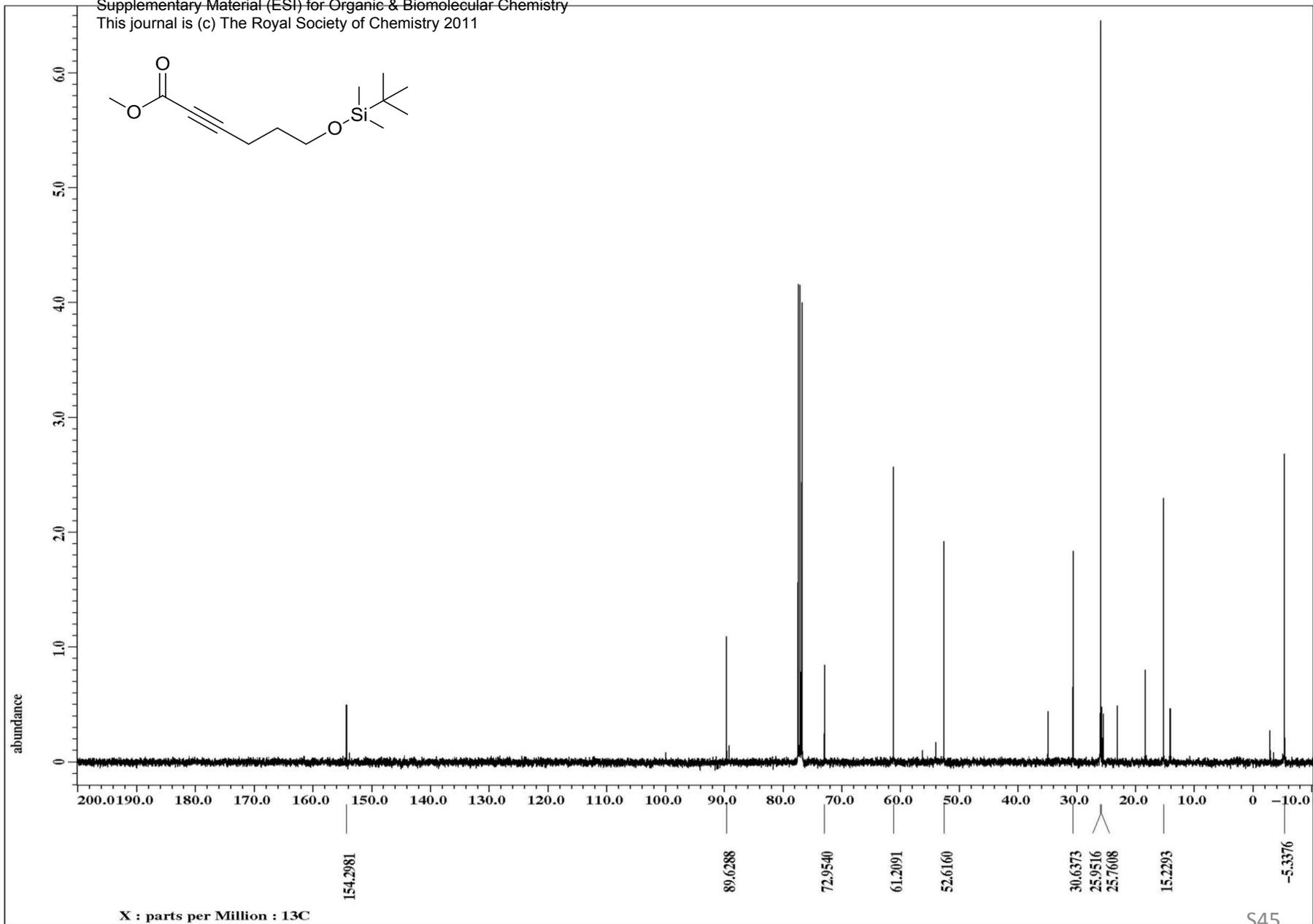


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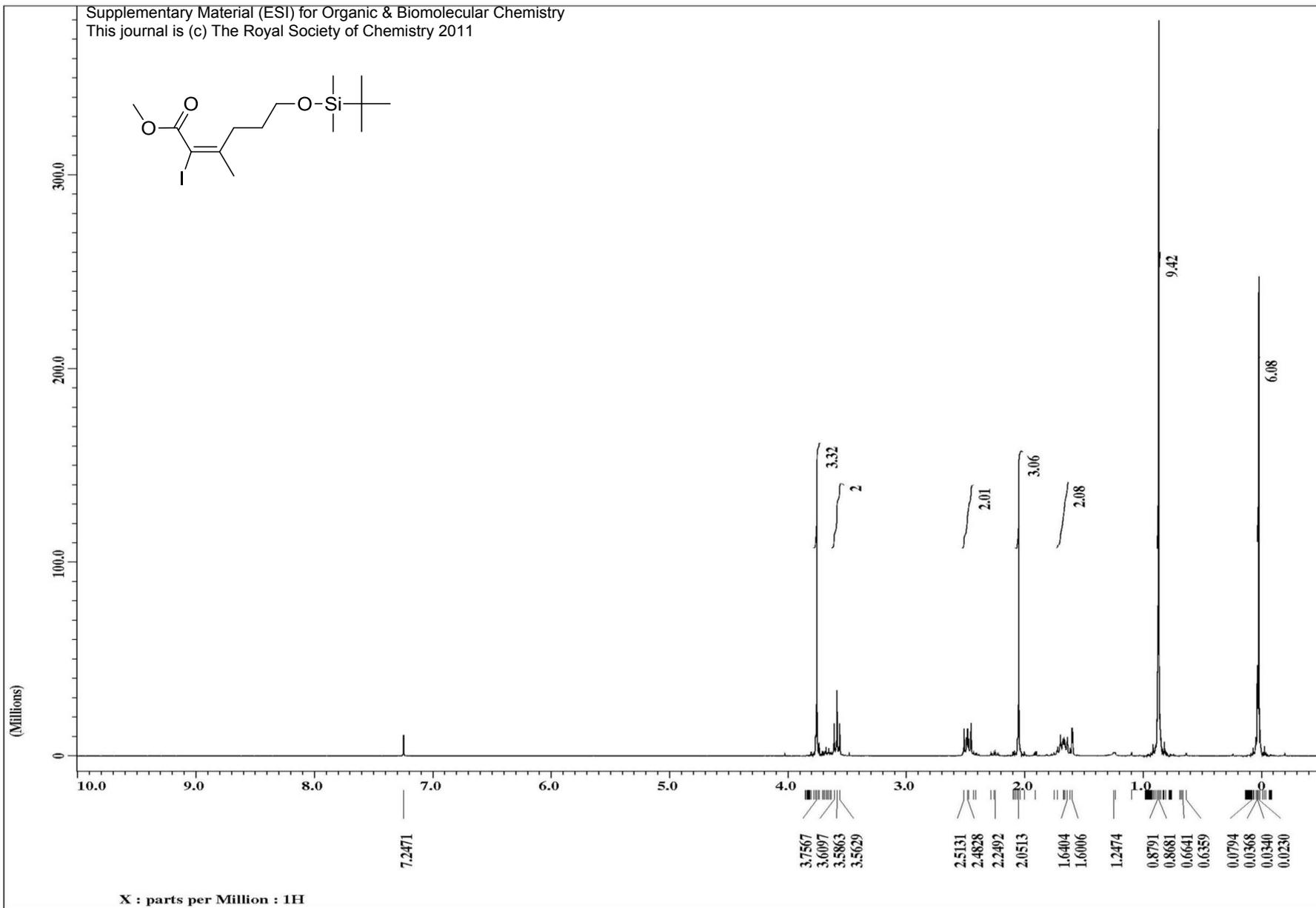
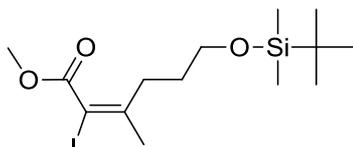
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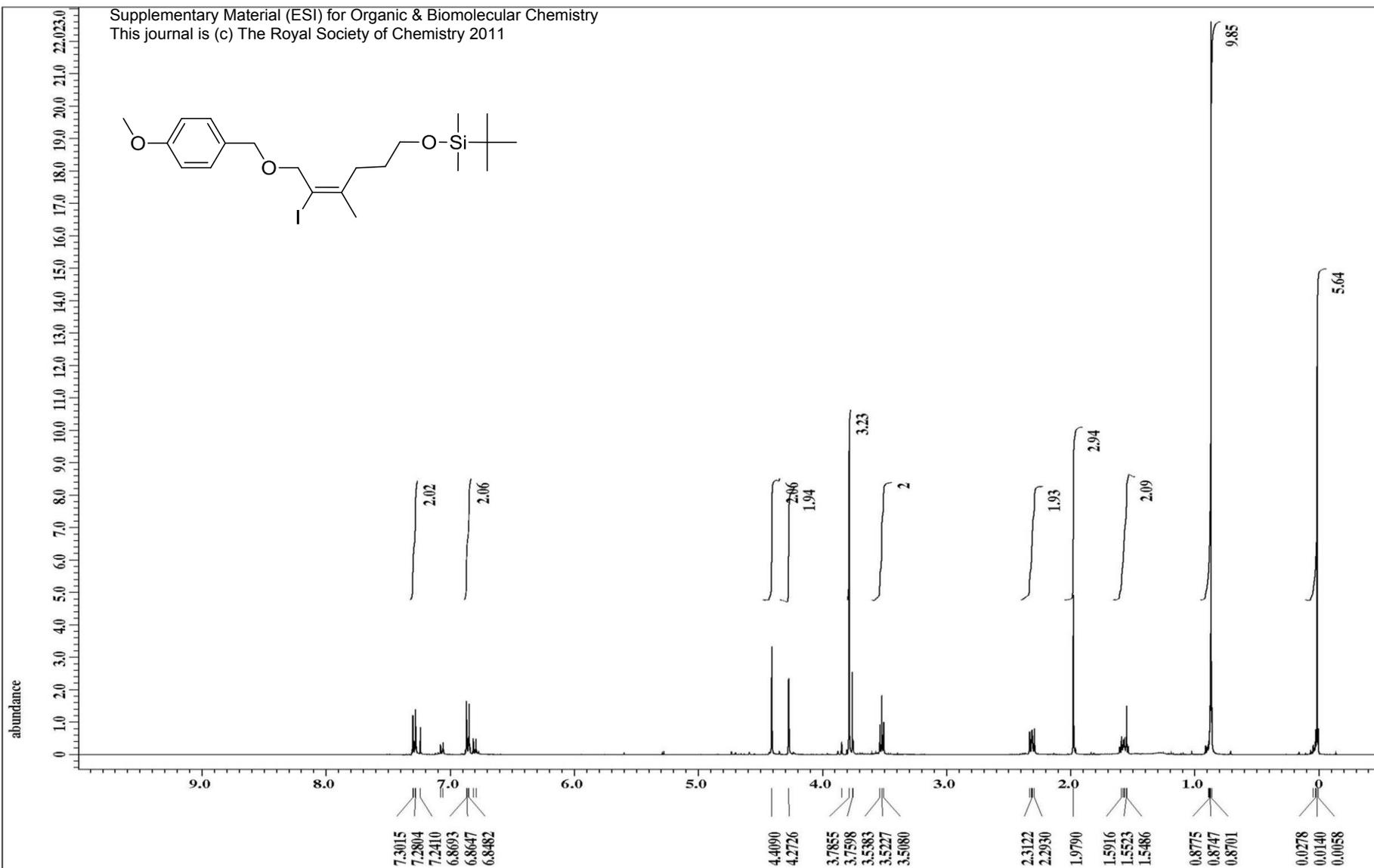
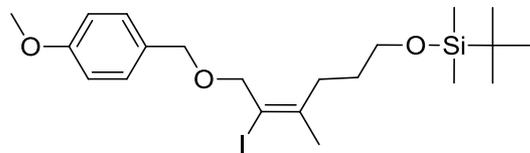
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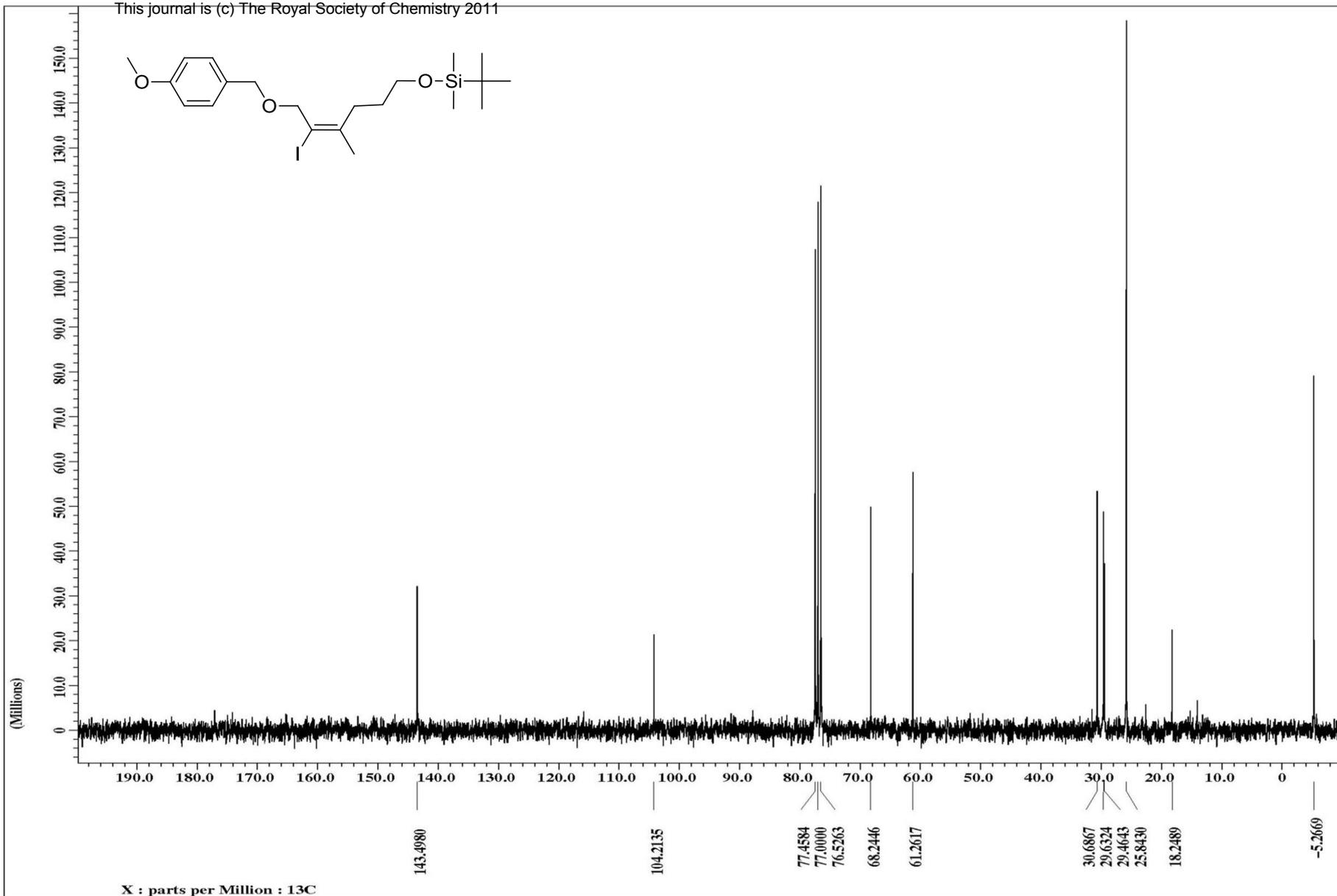
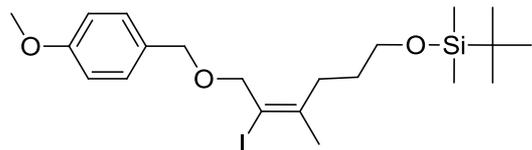
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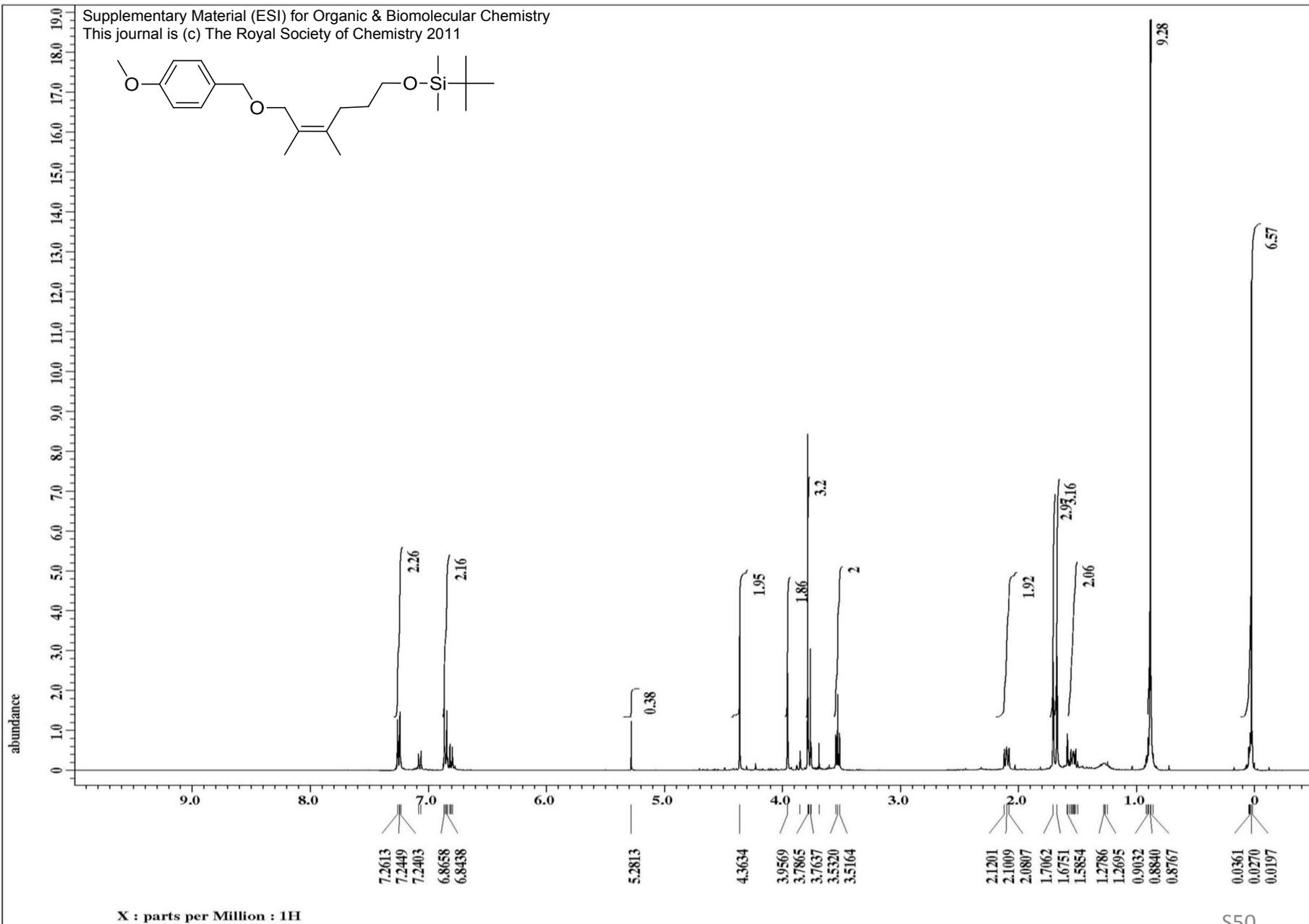
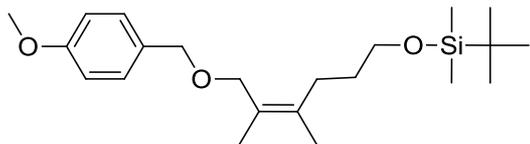
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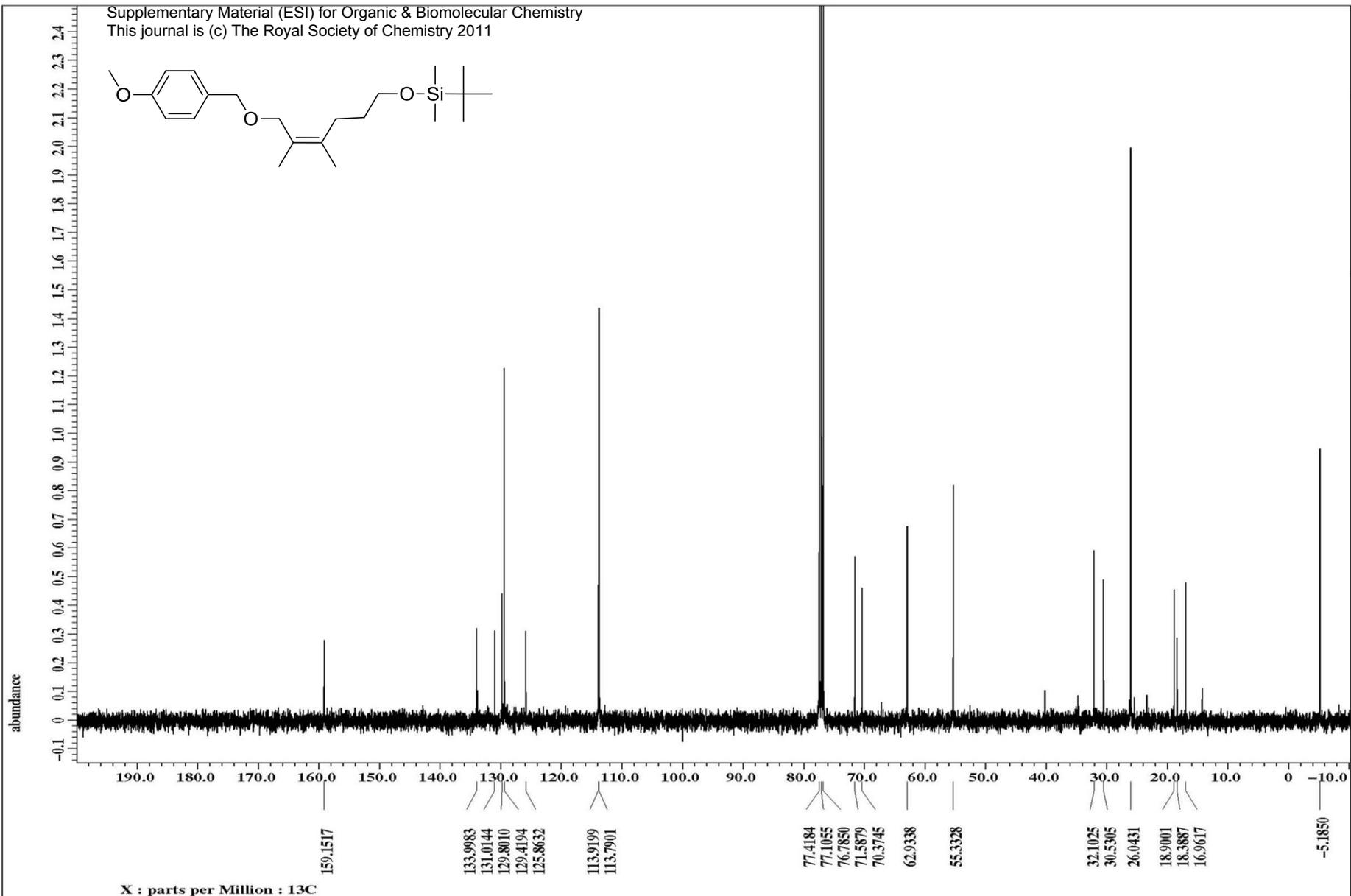
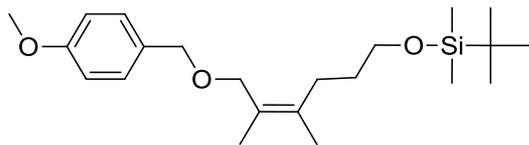
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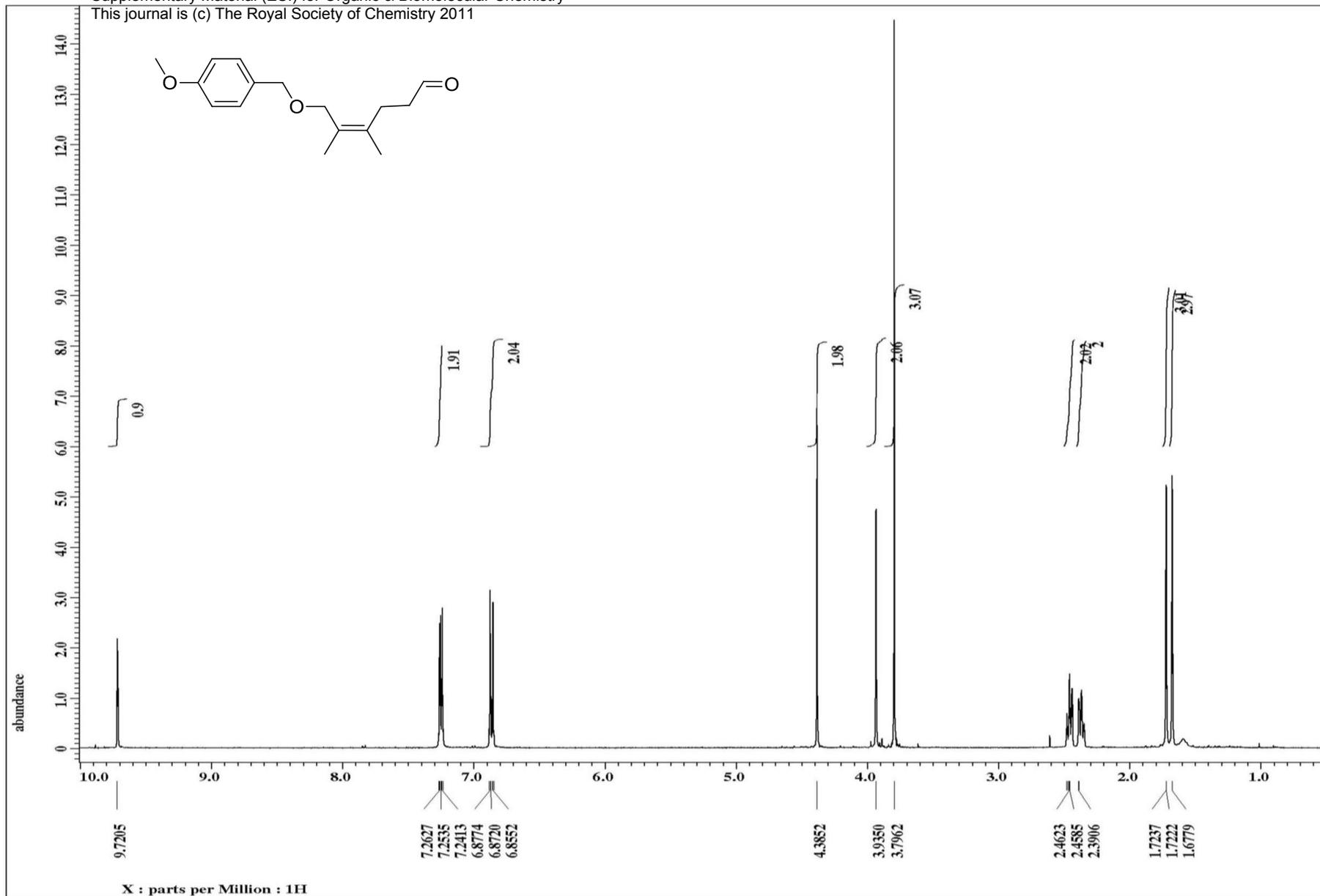
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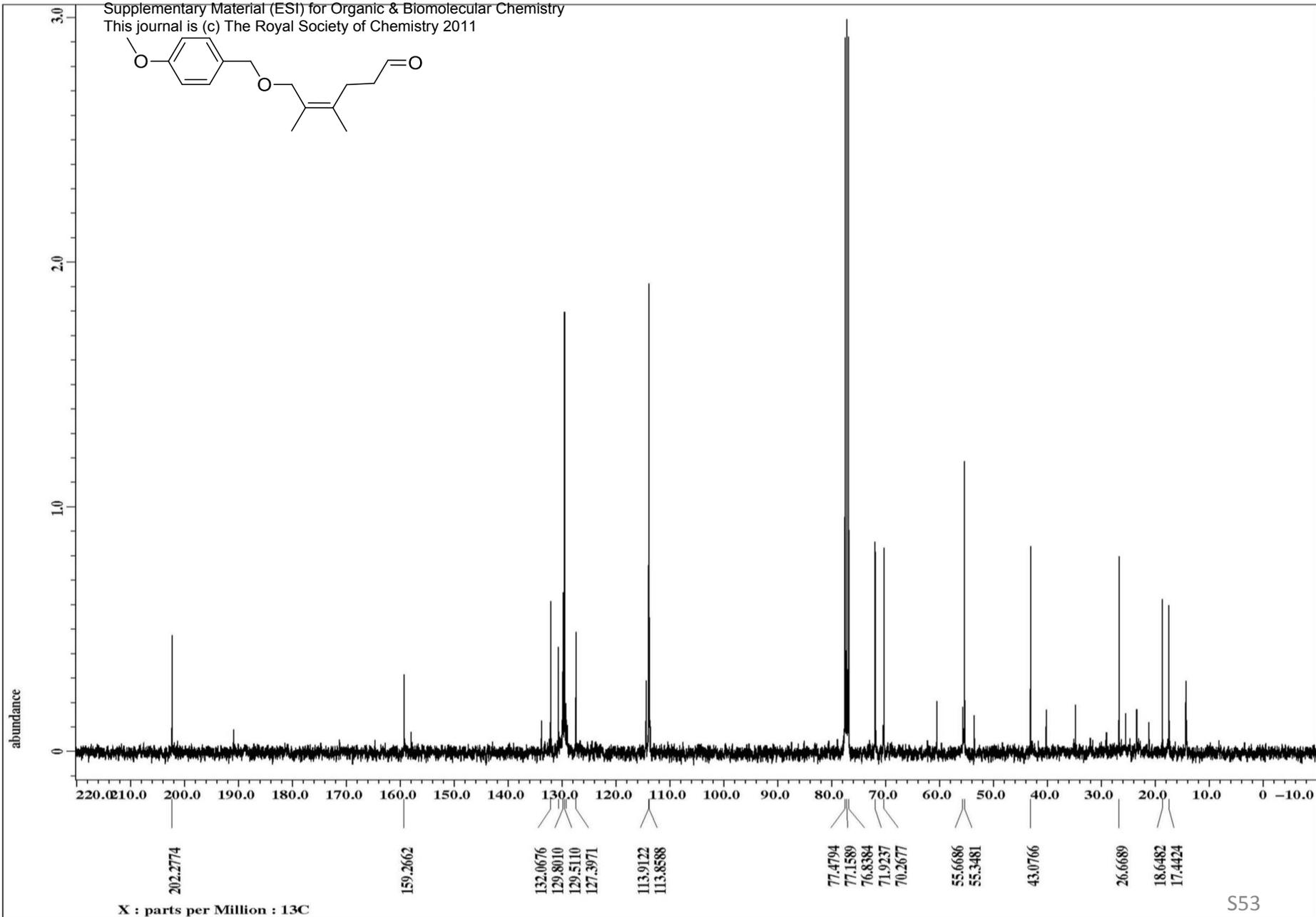
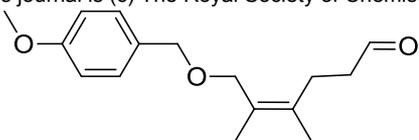
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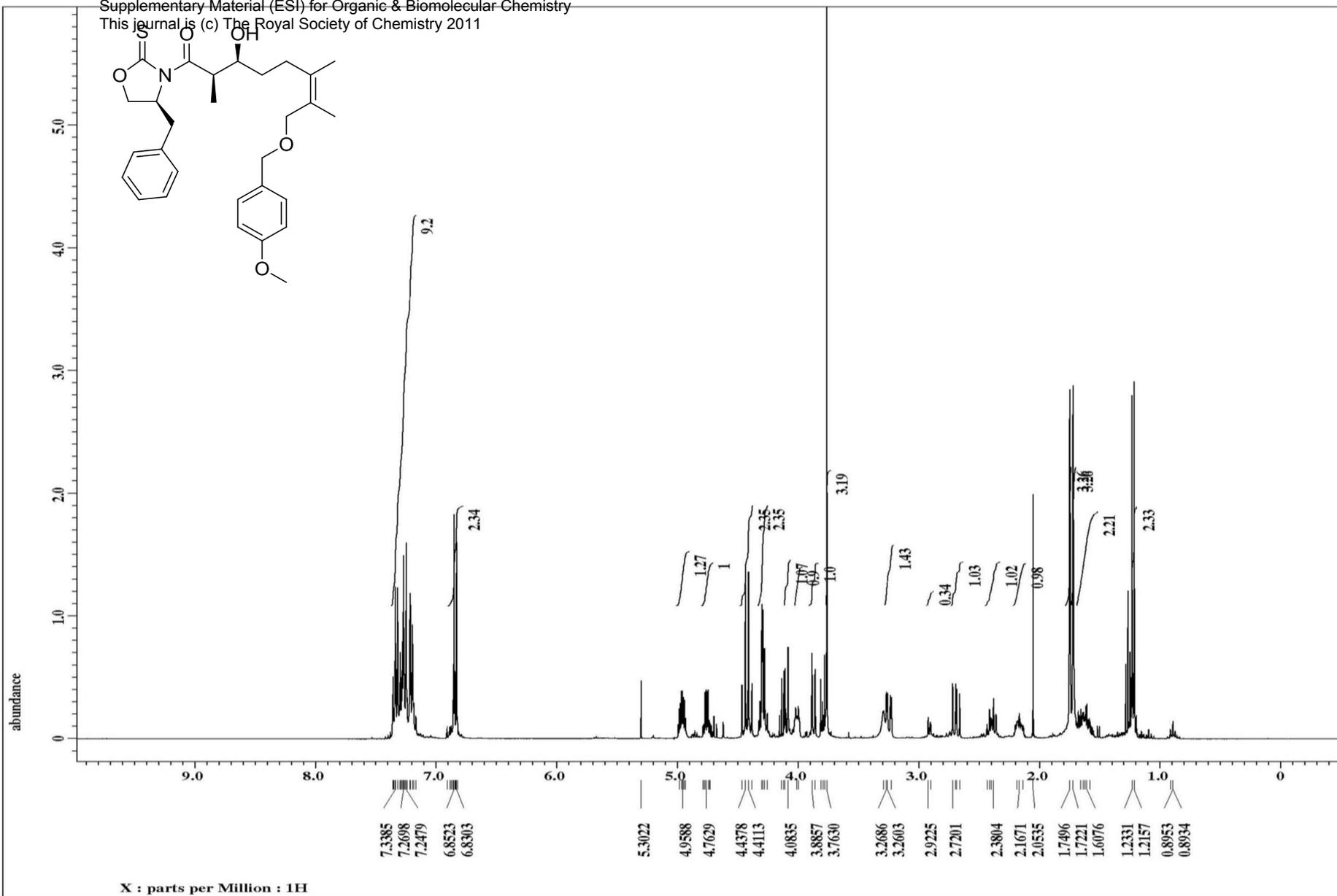
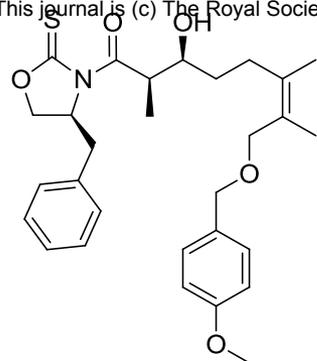
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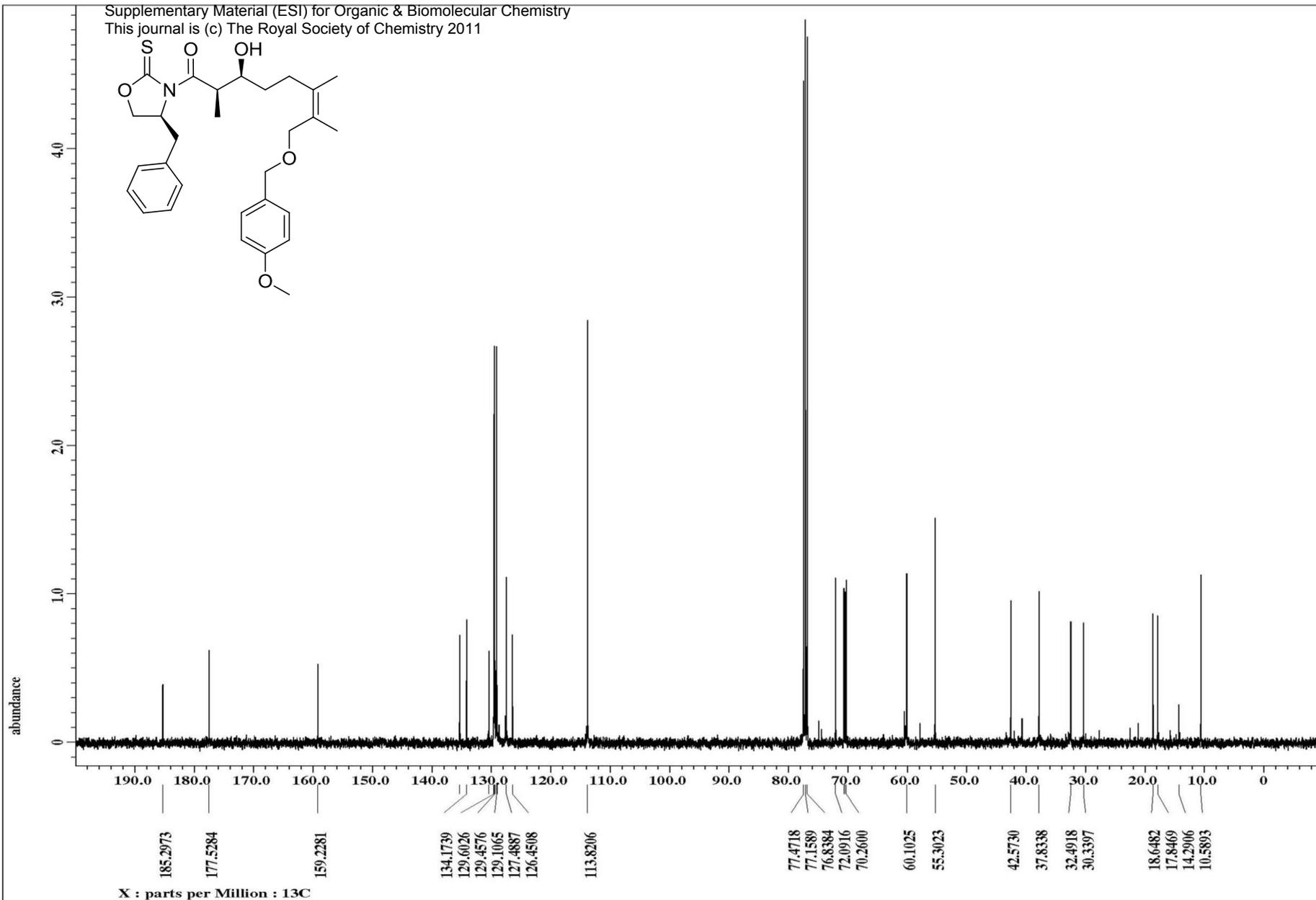
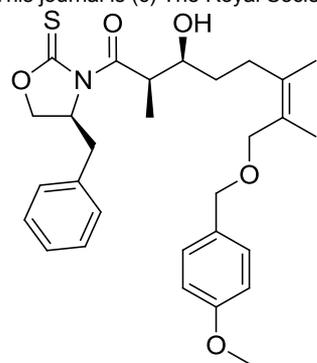
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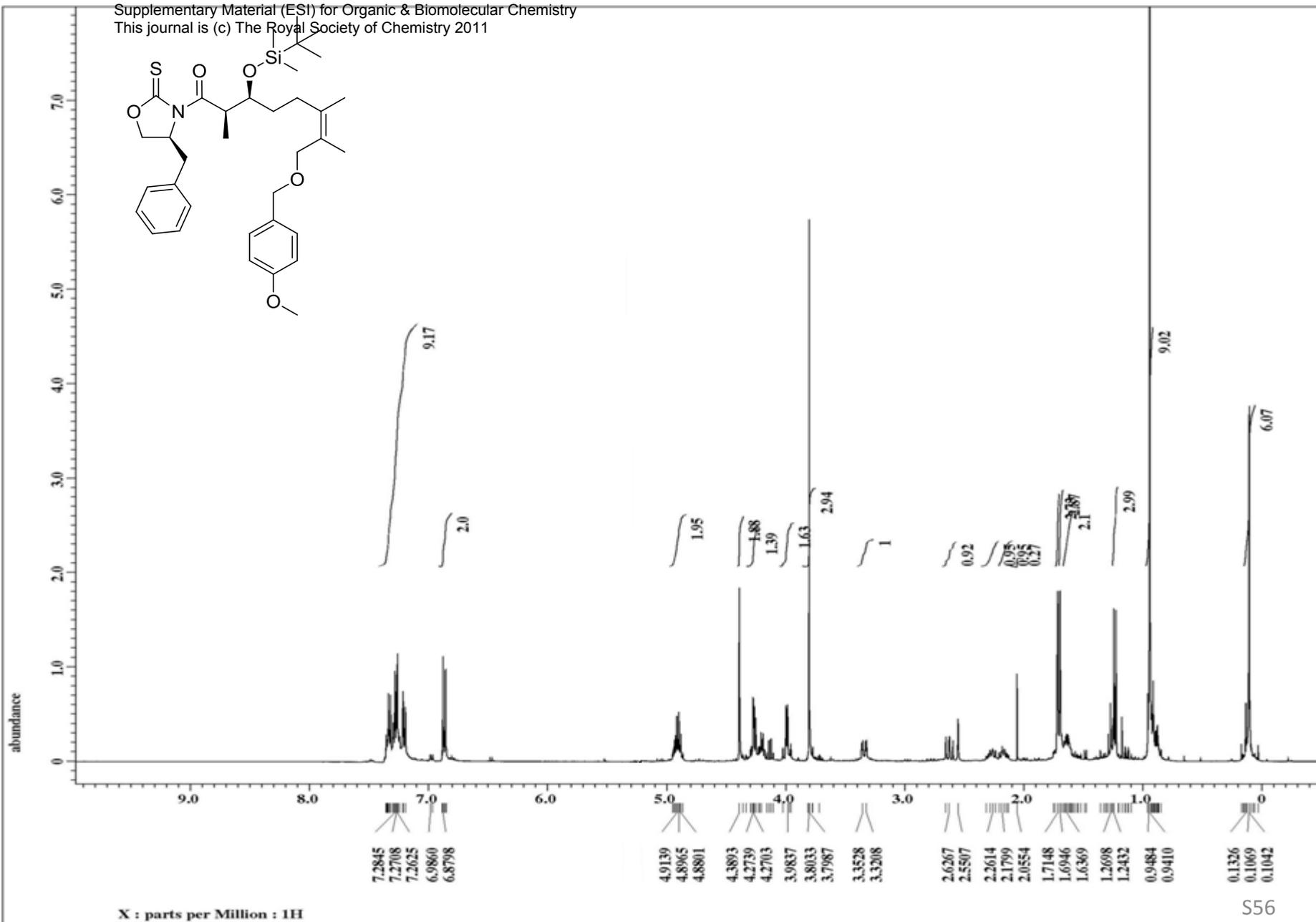
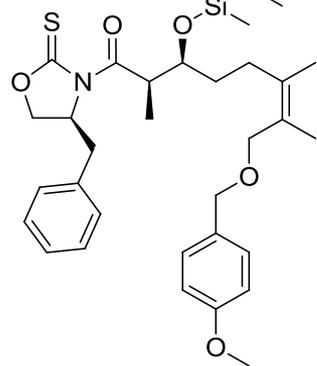
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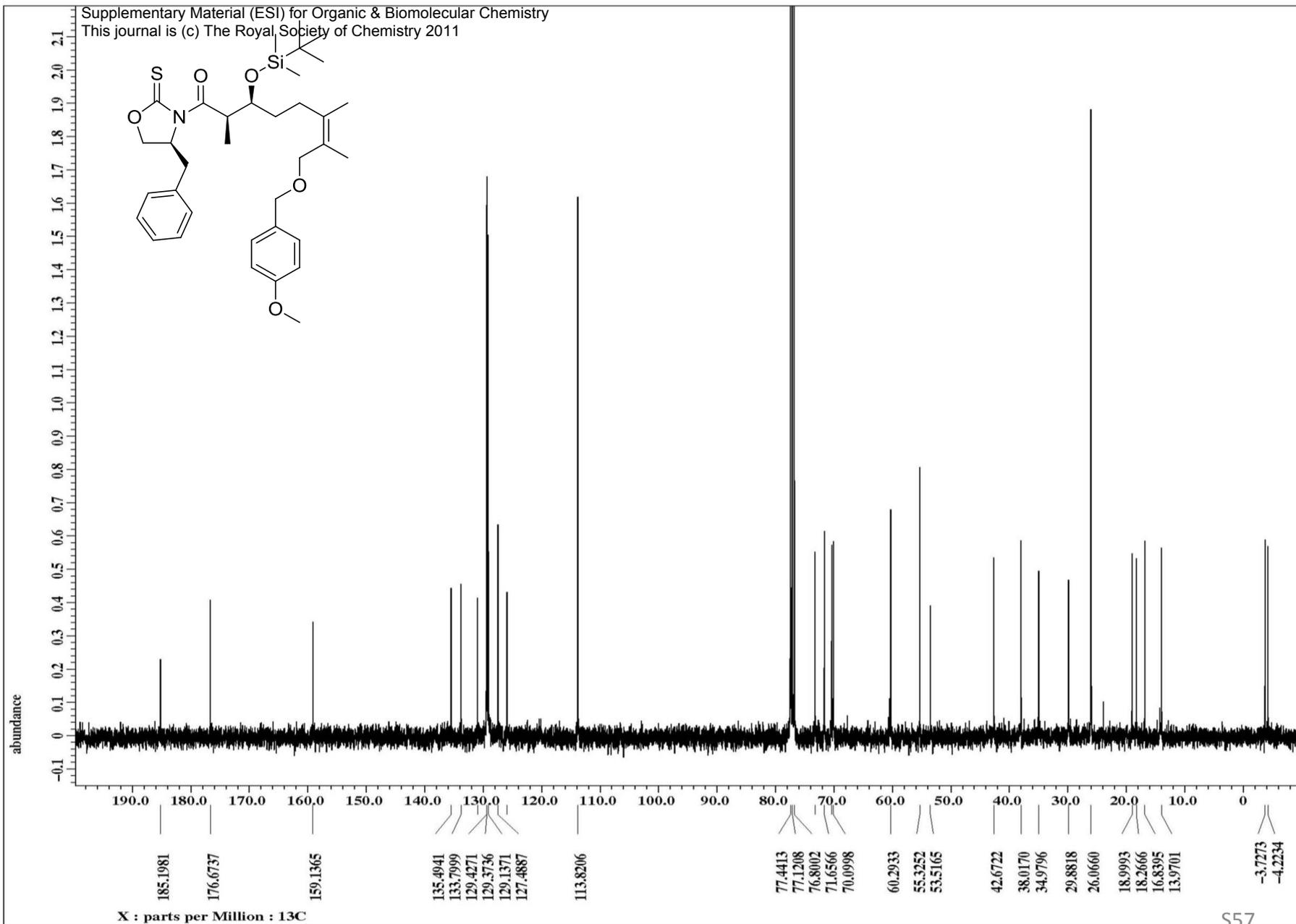
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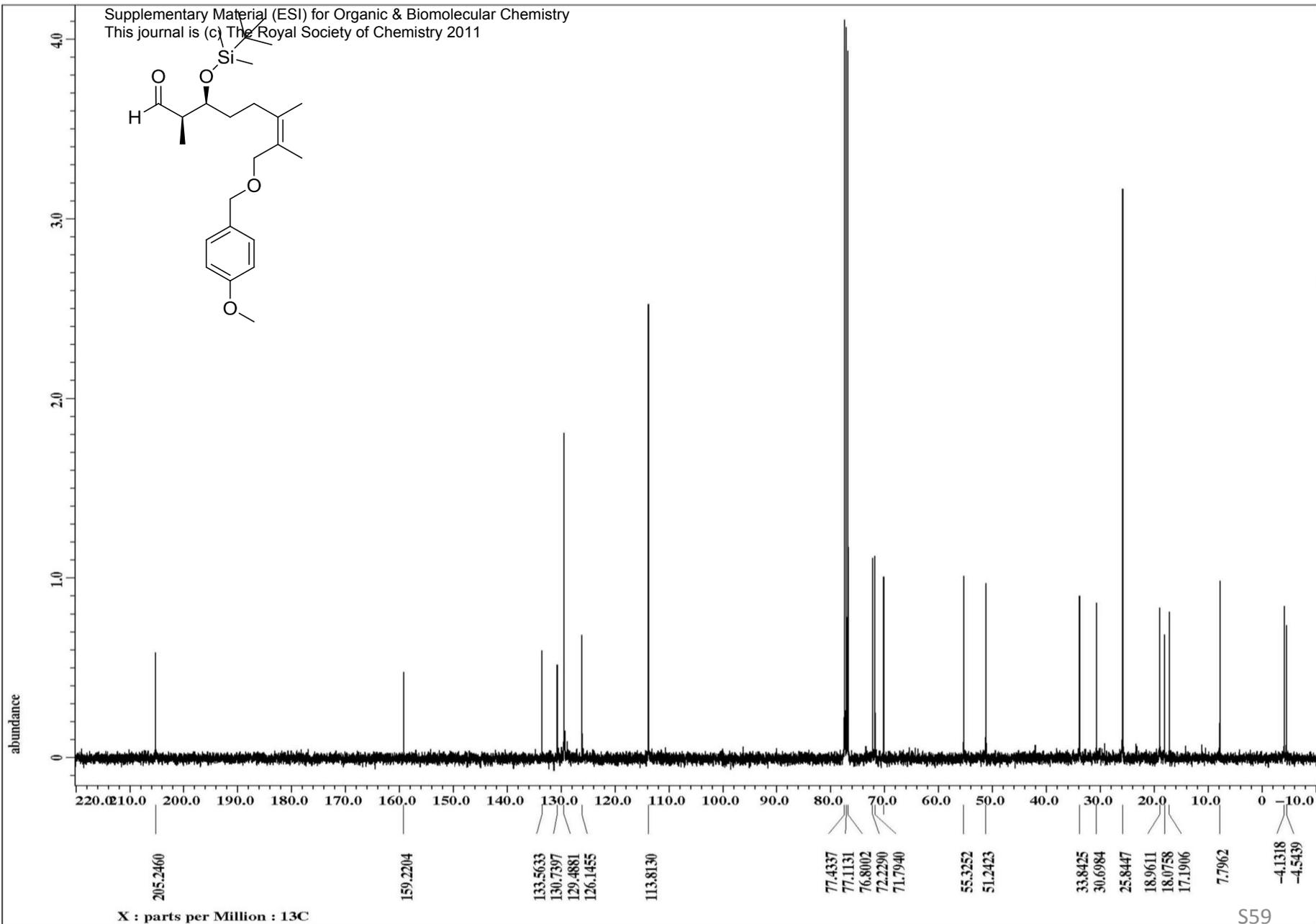
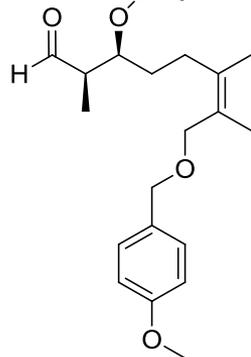
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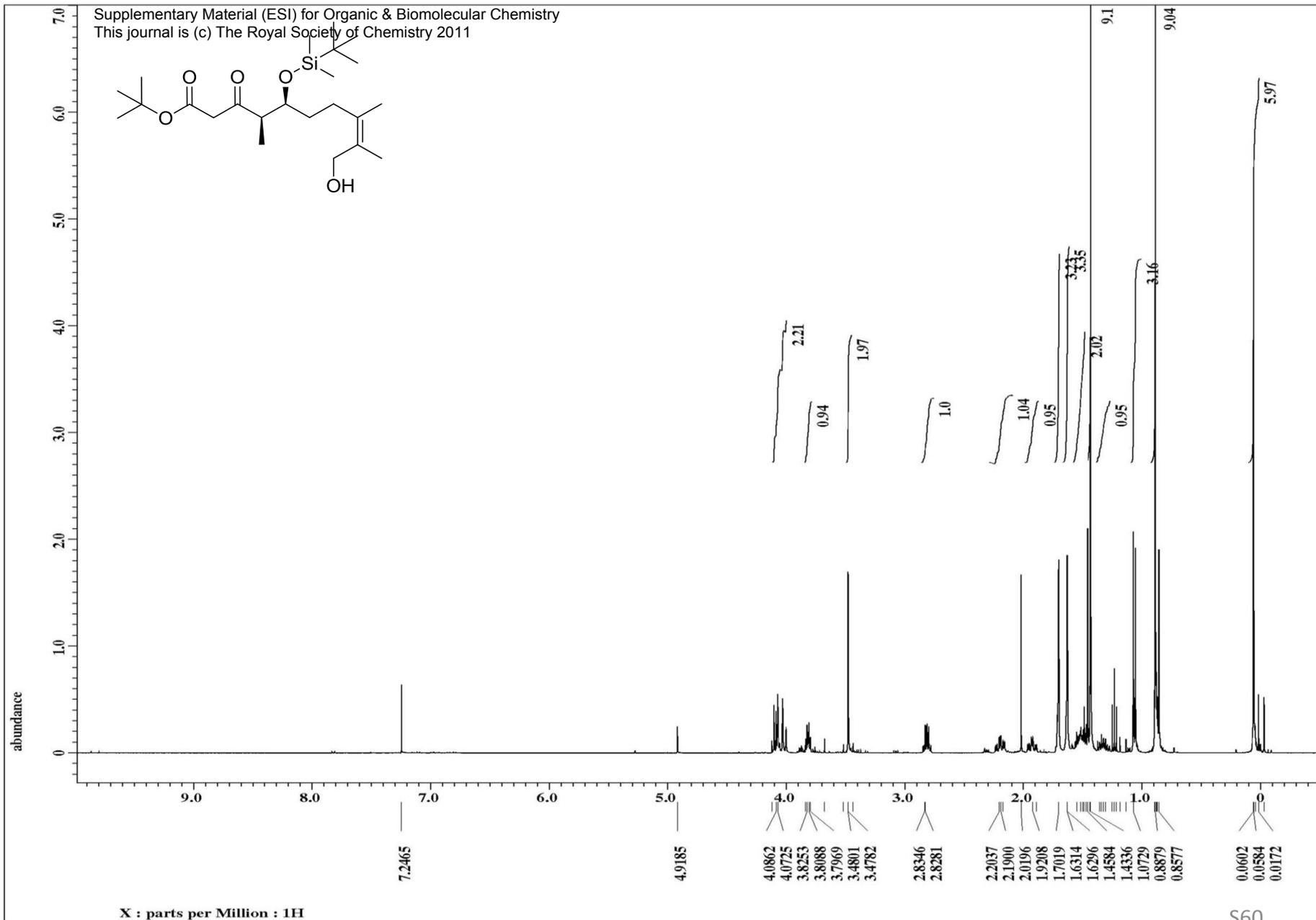
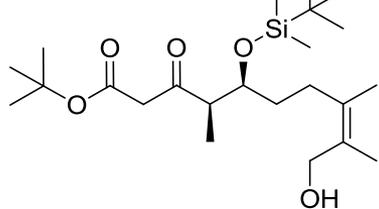
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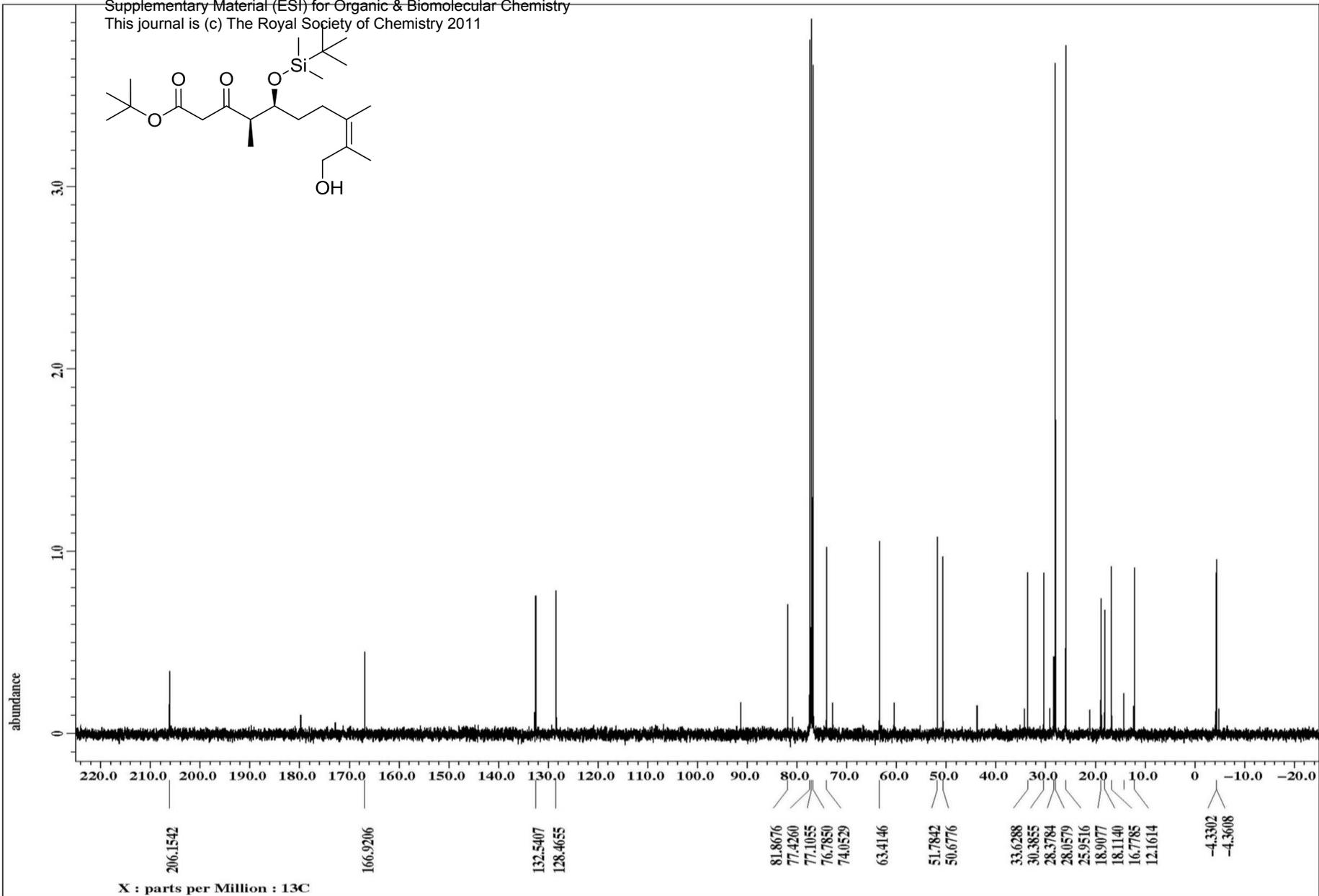
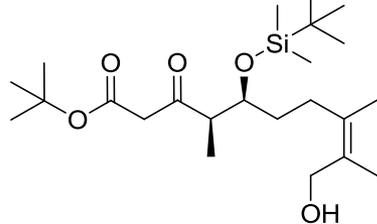
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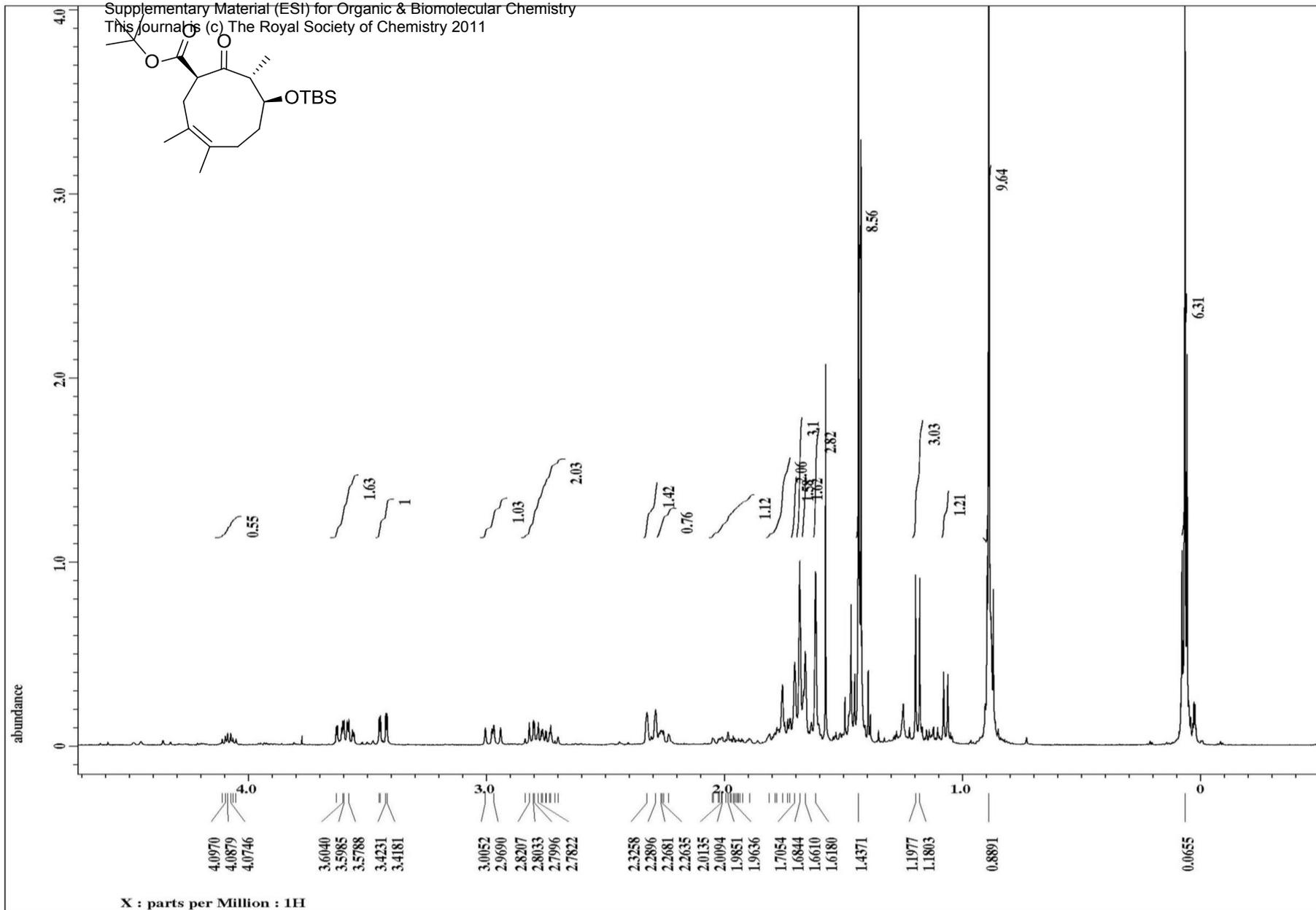
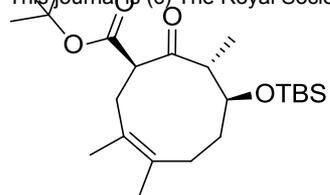
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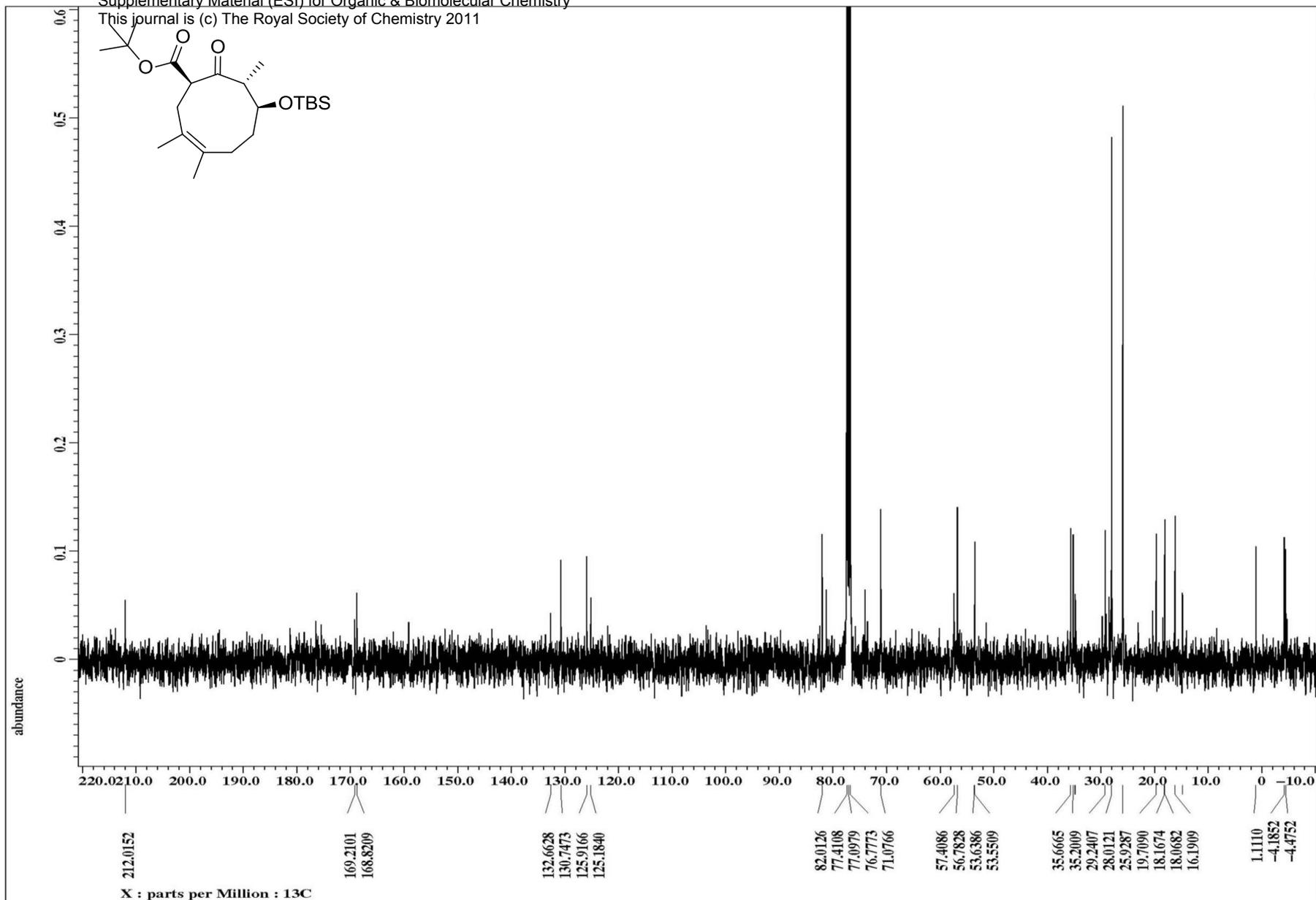
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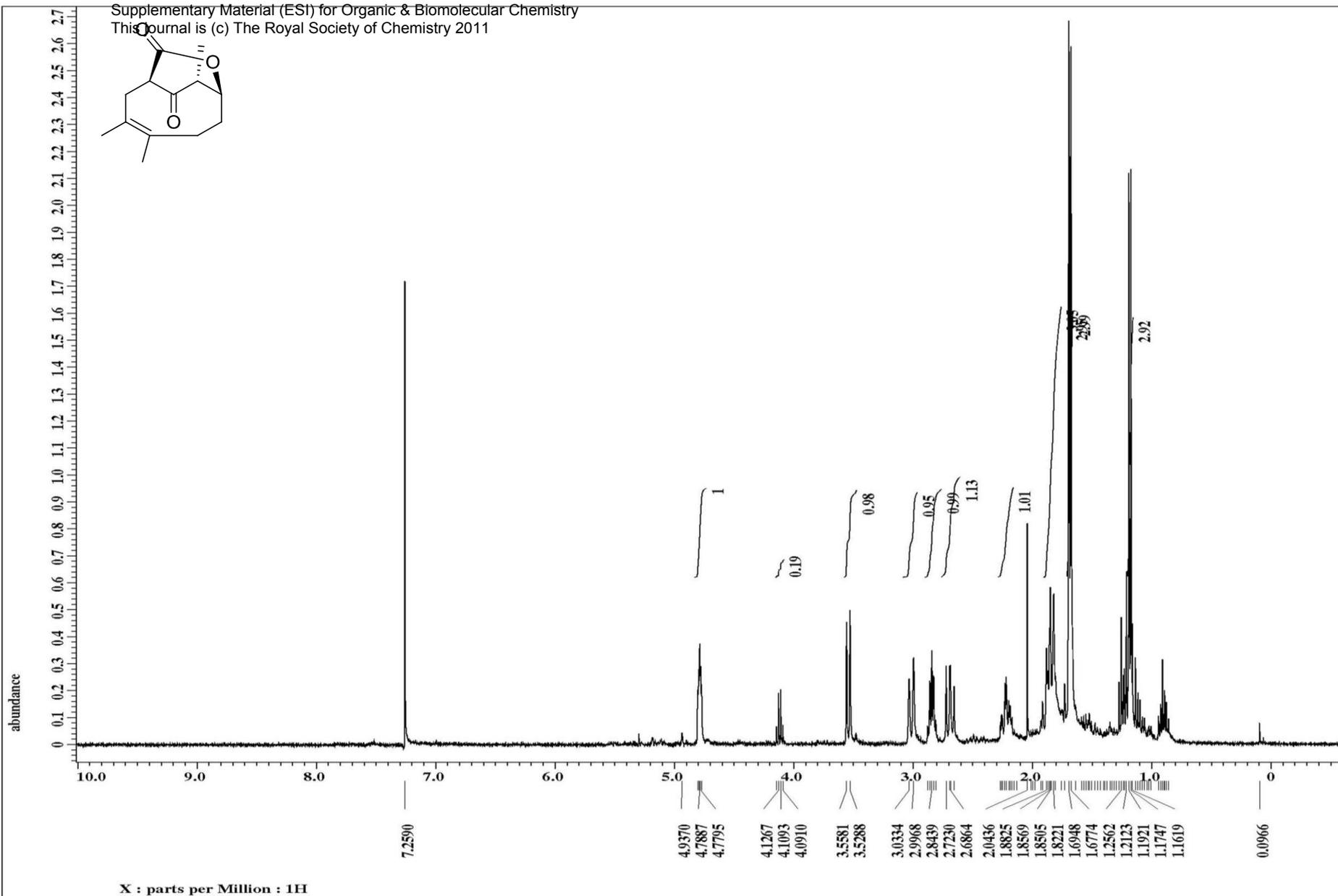
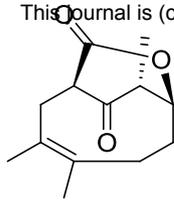
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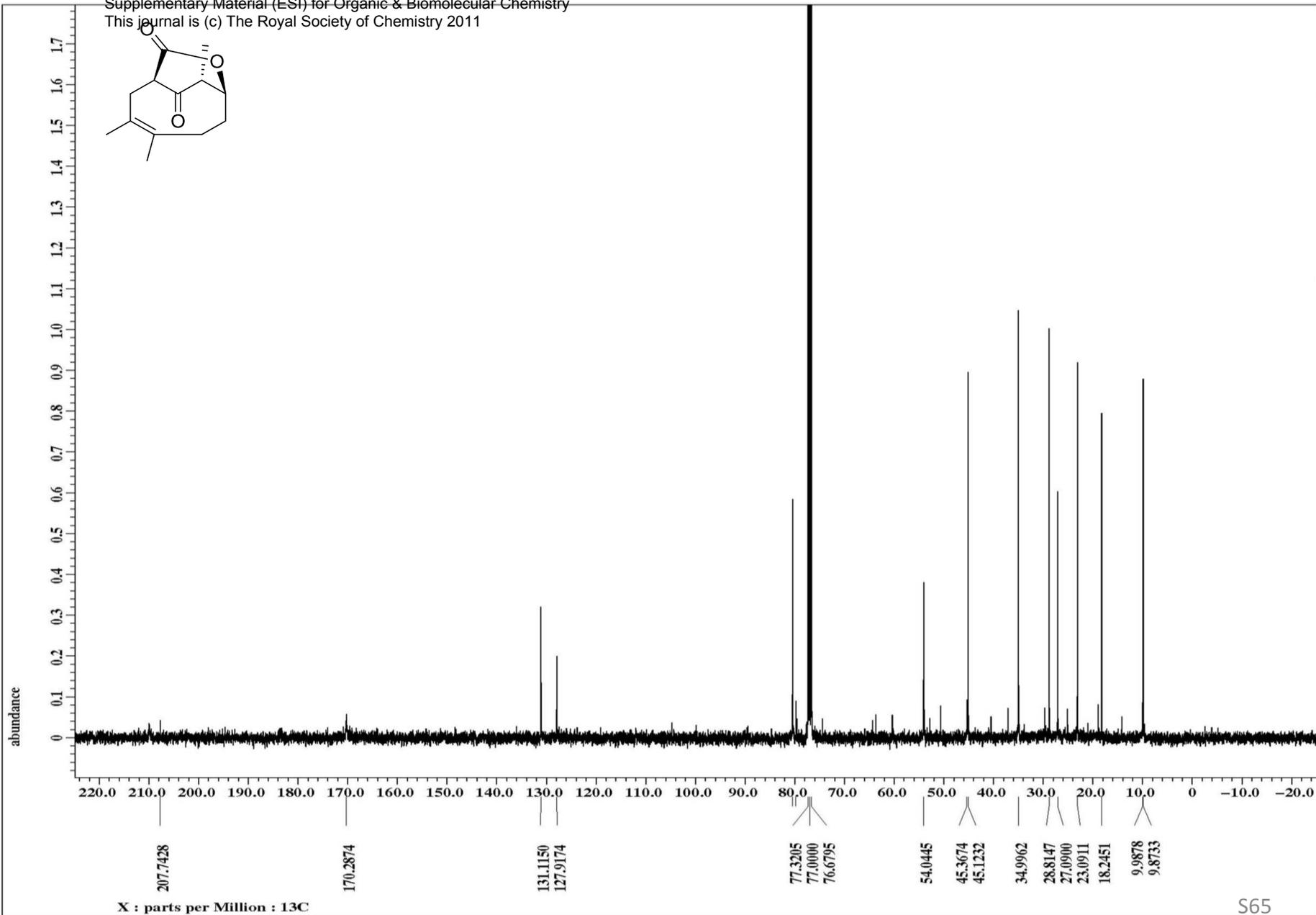
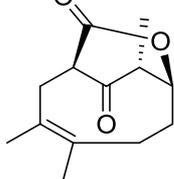
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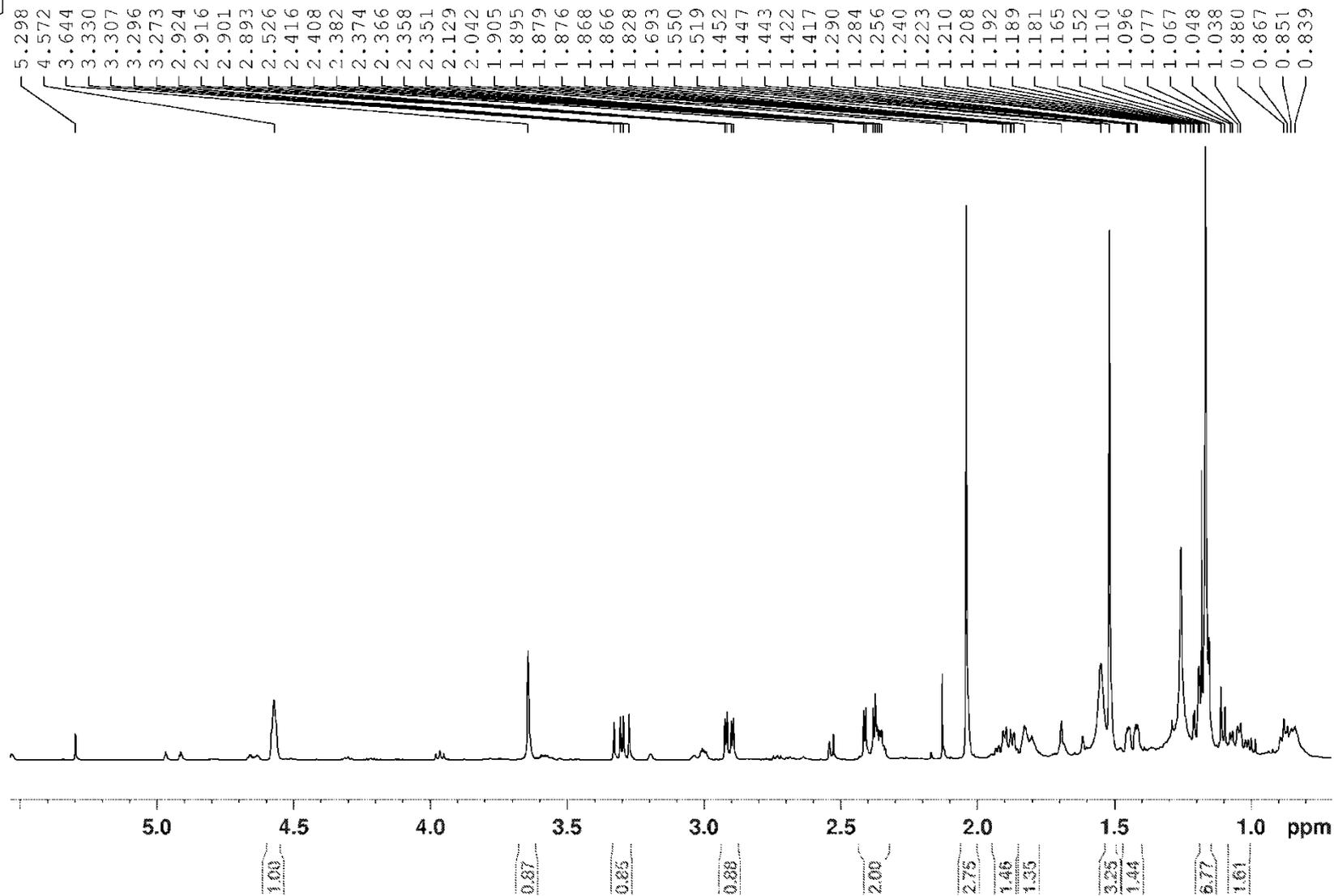
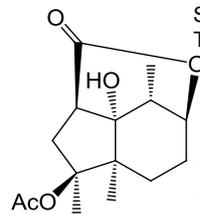
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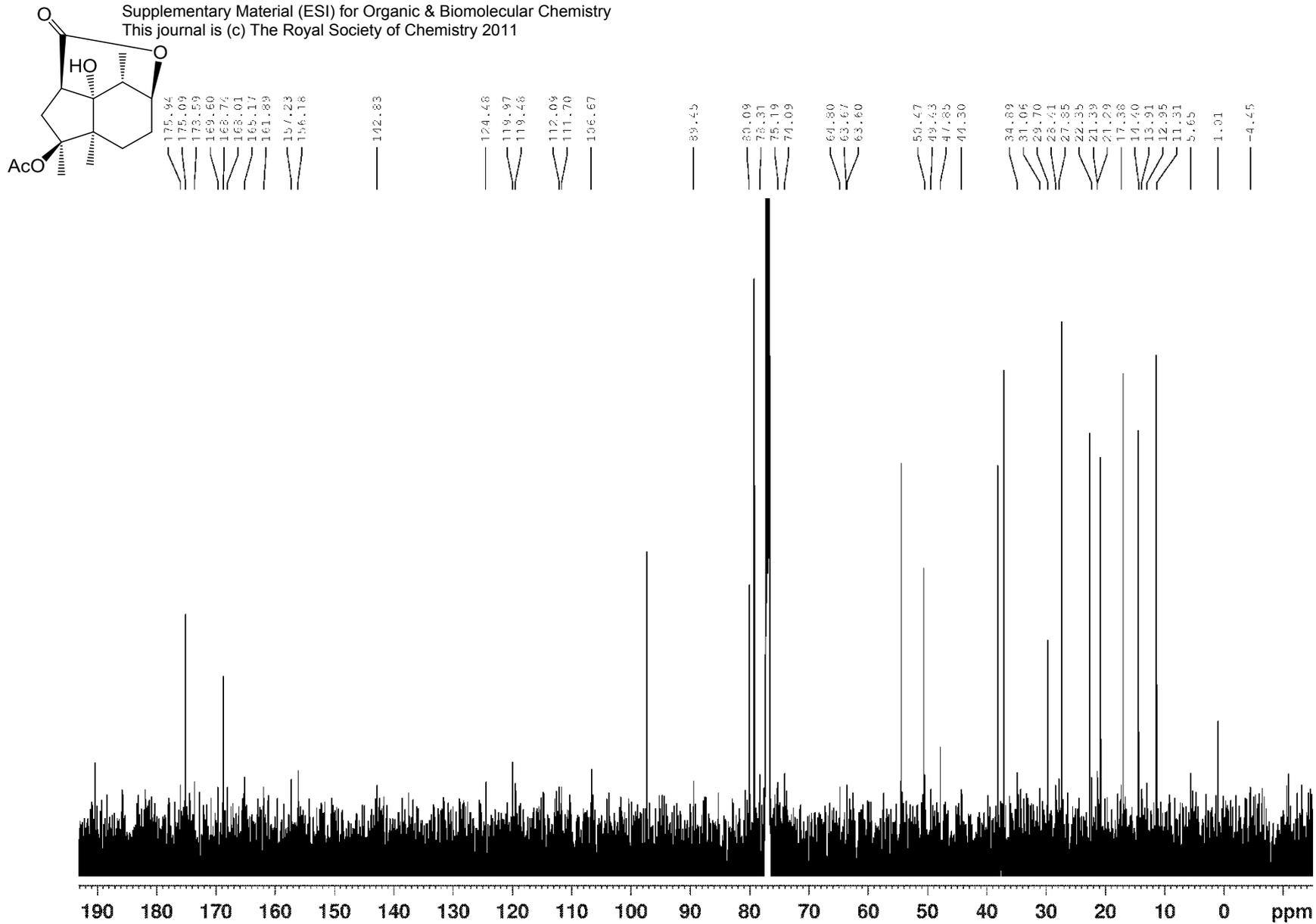
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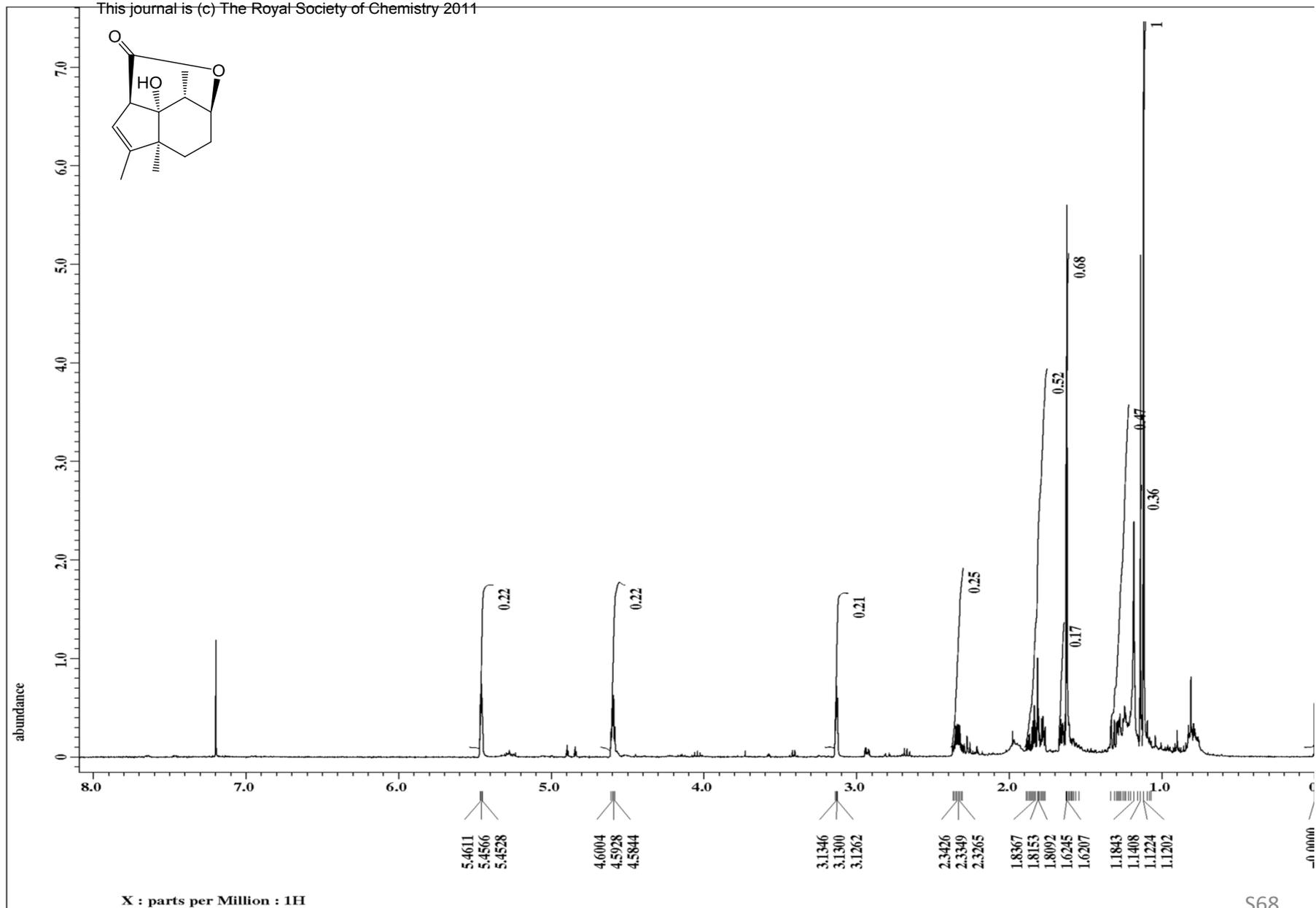
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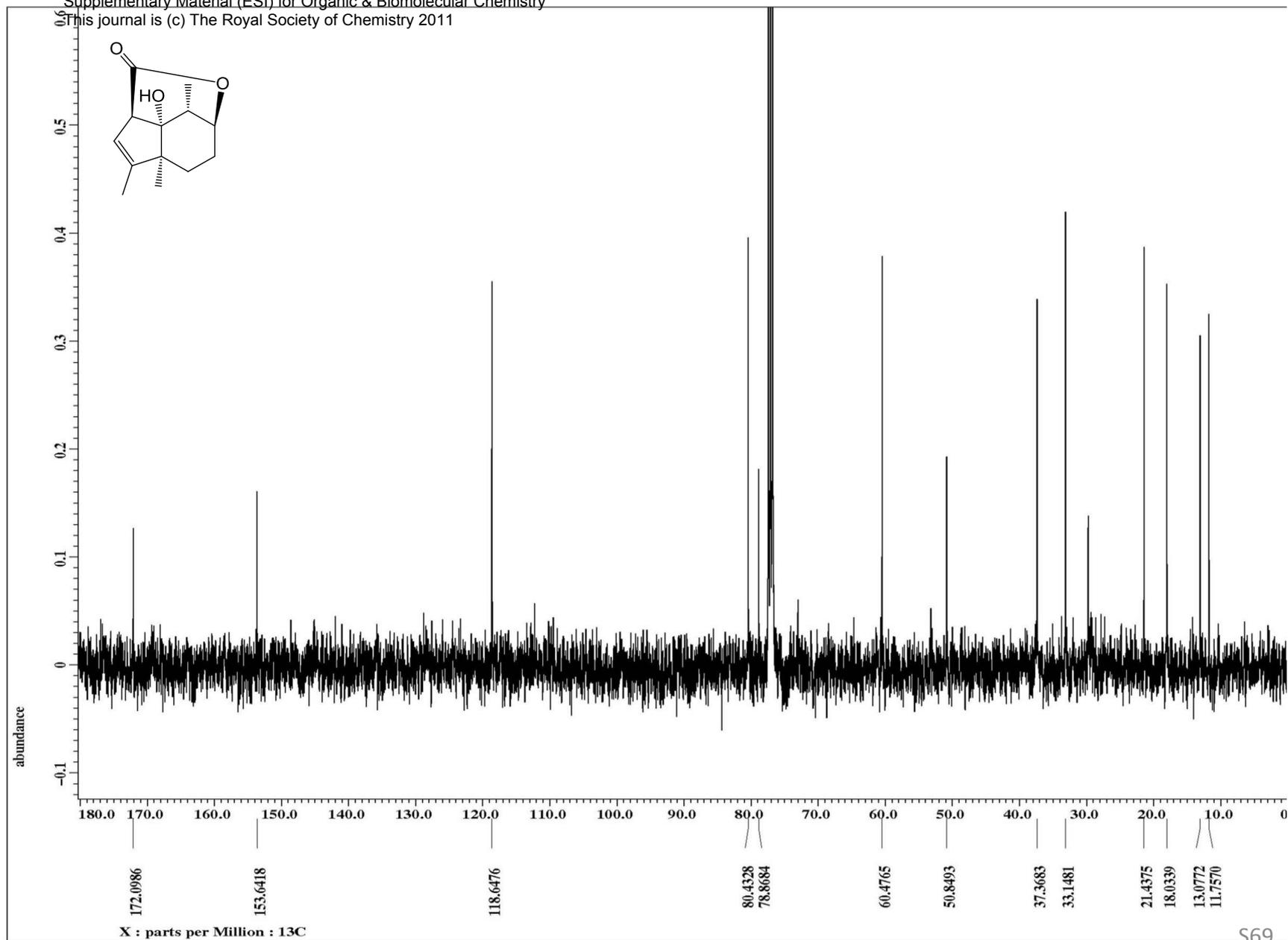
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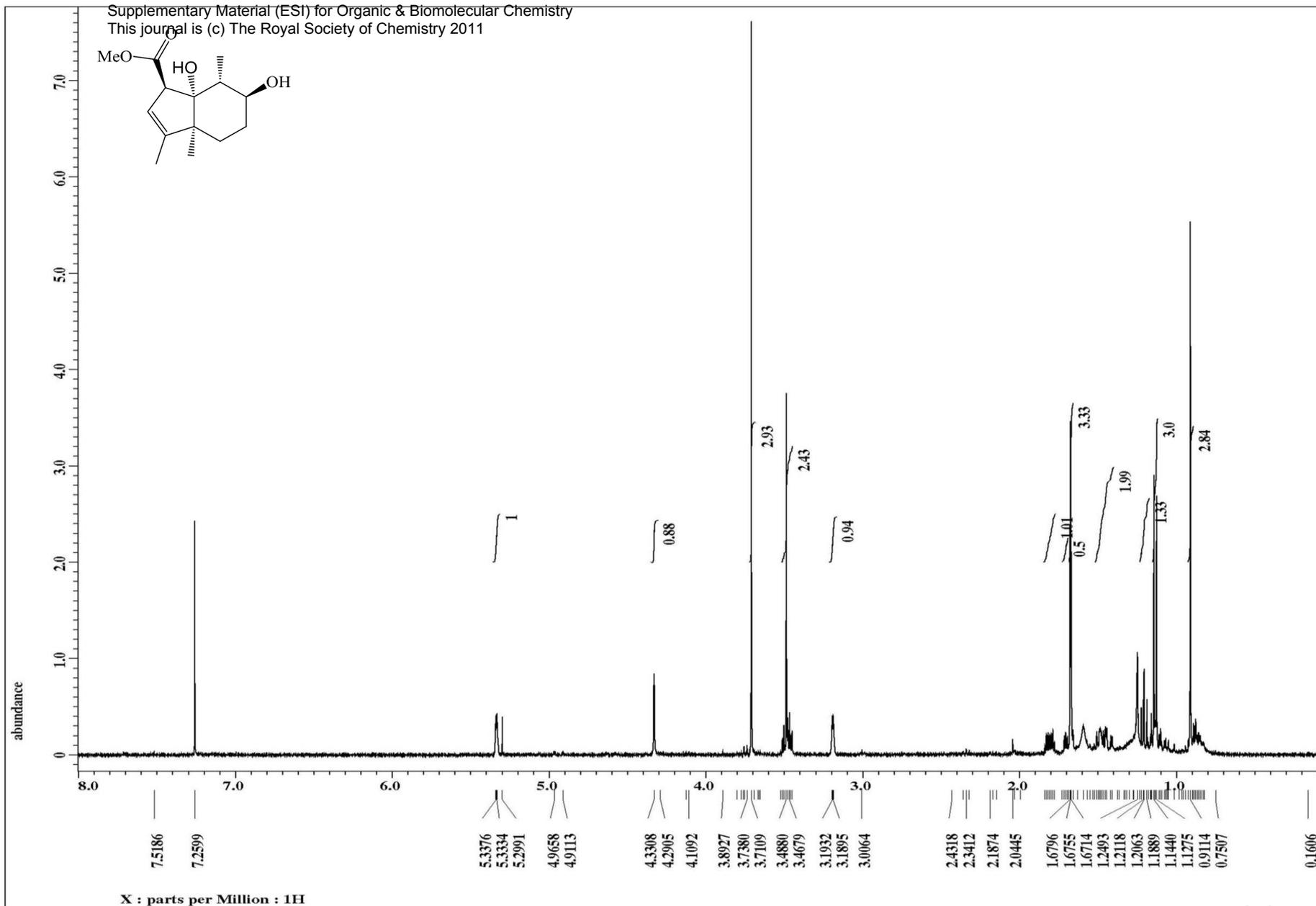
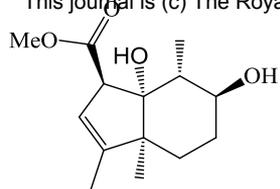
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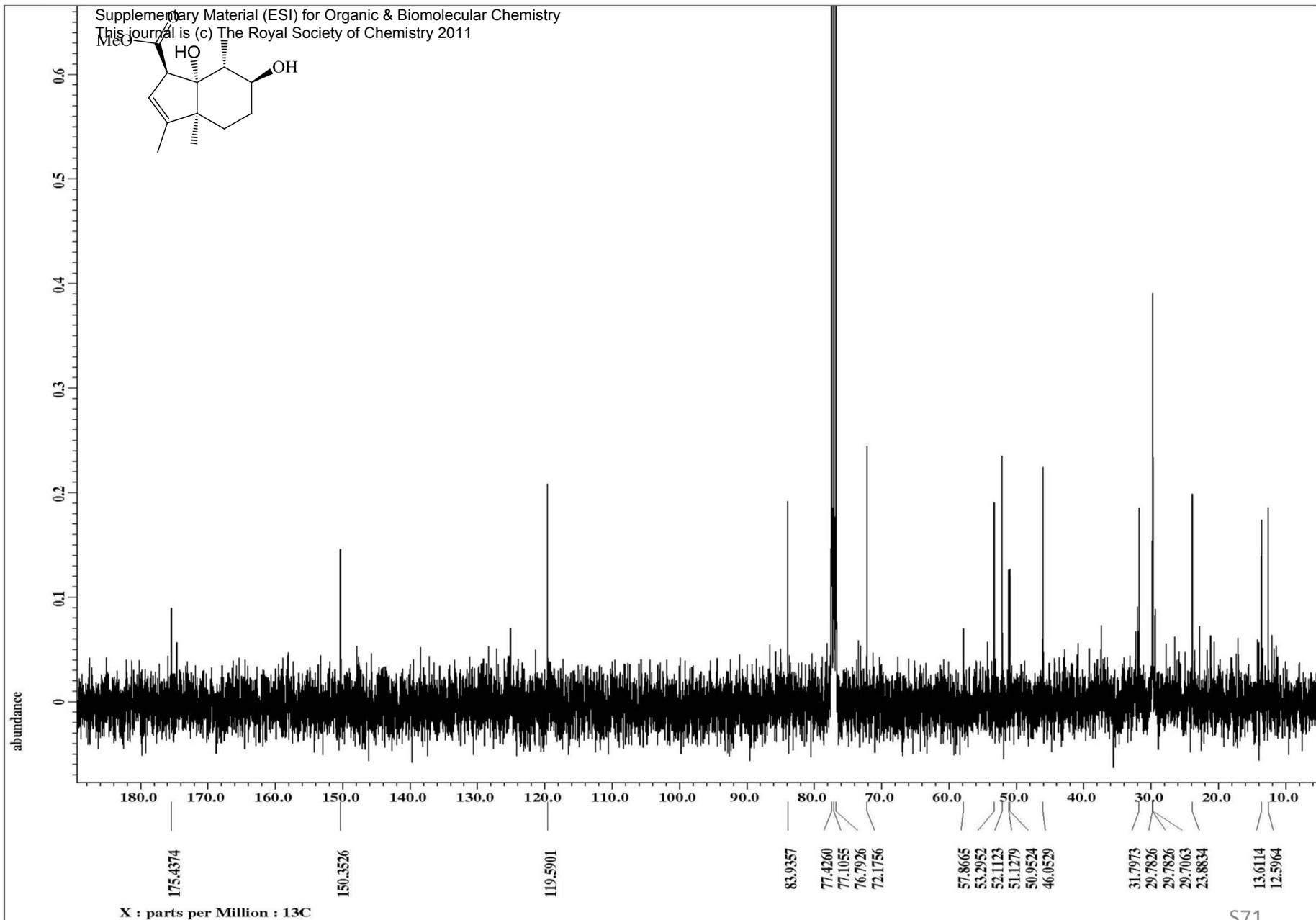
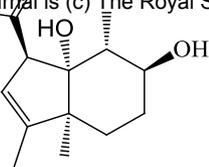
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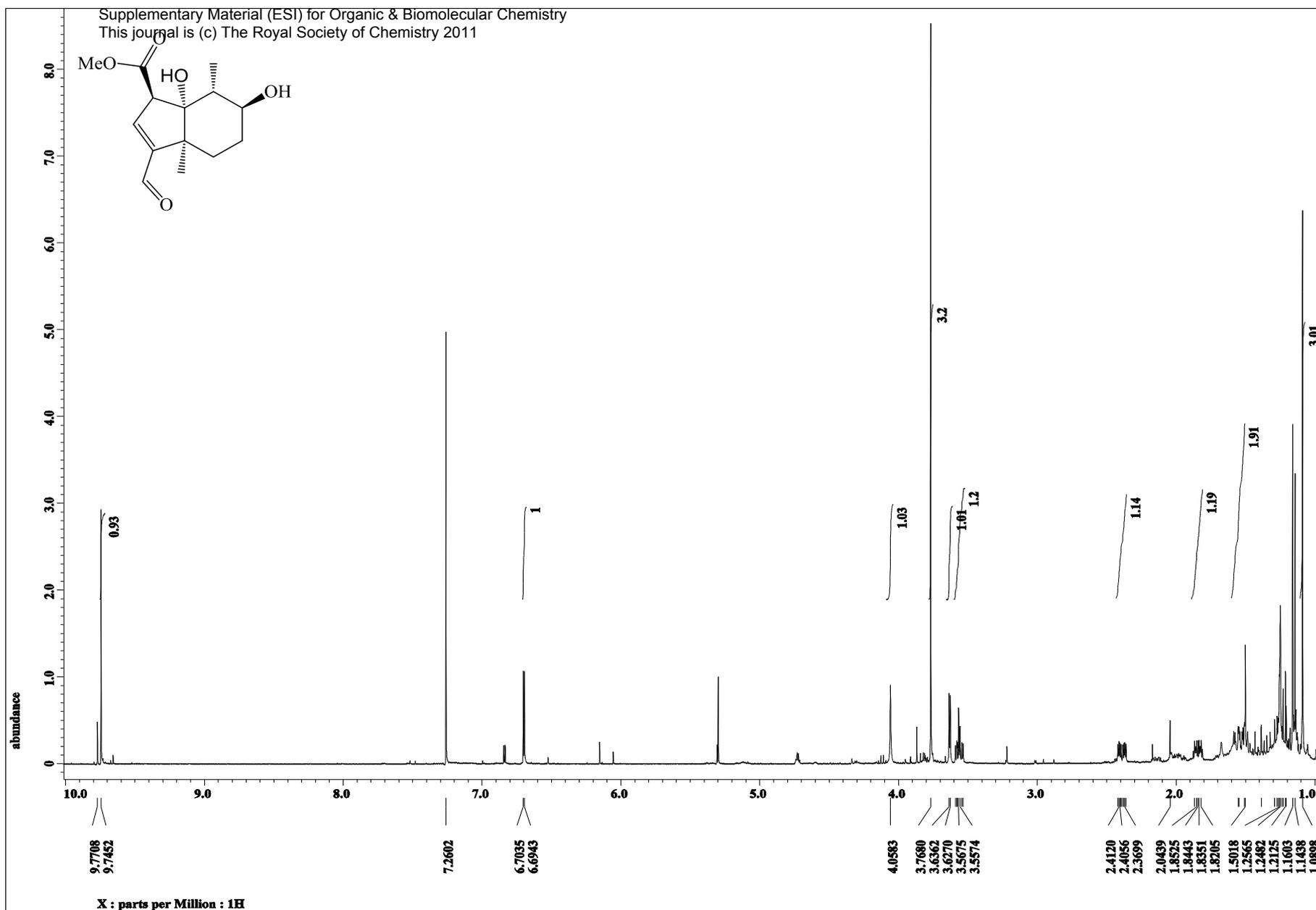
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