

## Electronic supplementary Information (ESI)

# Conformationally Restricted Dynamic Supramolecular Catalysts for Substrate-Selective Epoxidations

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## Chromatograms and spectra and for the analysis of the competitive reactions

### GC calibration curves

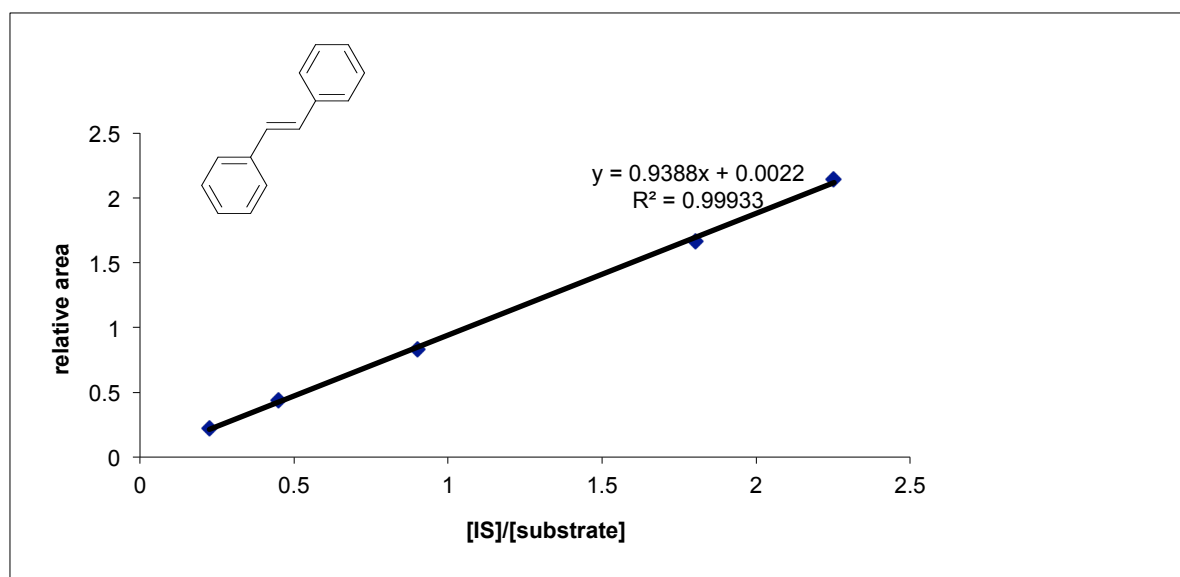


Fig. S1 GC-calibration curve for substrate 28b.

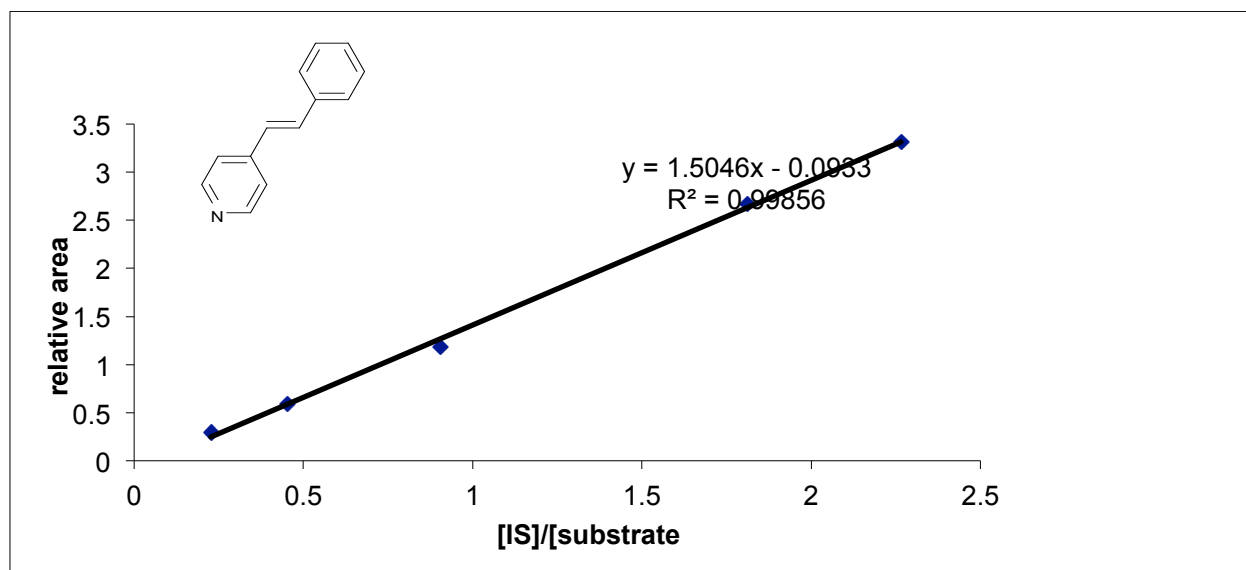


Fig. S2 GC-calibration curve for substrate 27b.

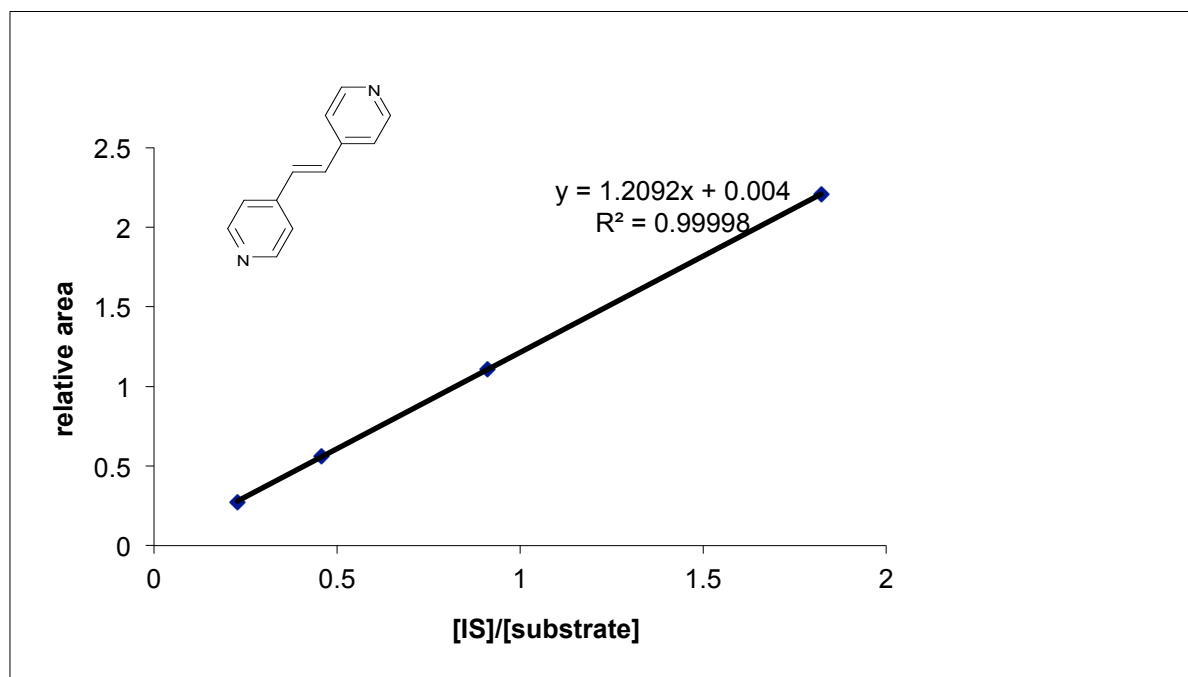


Fig. S3 GC-calibration curve for substrate 26b.

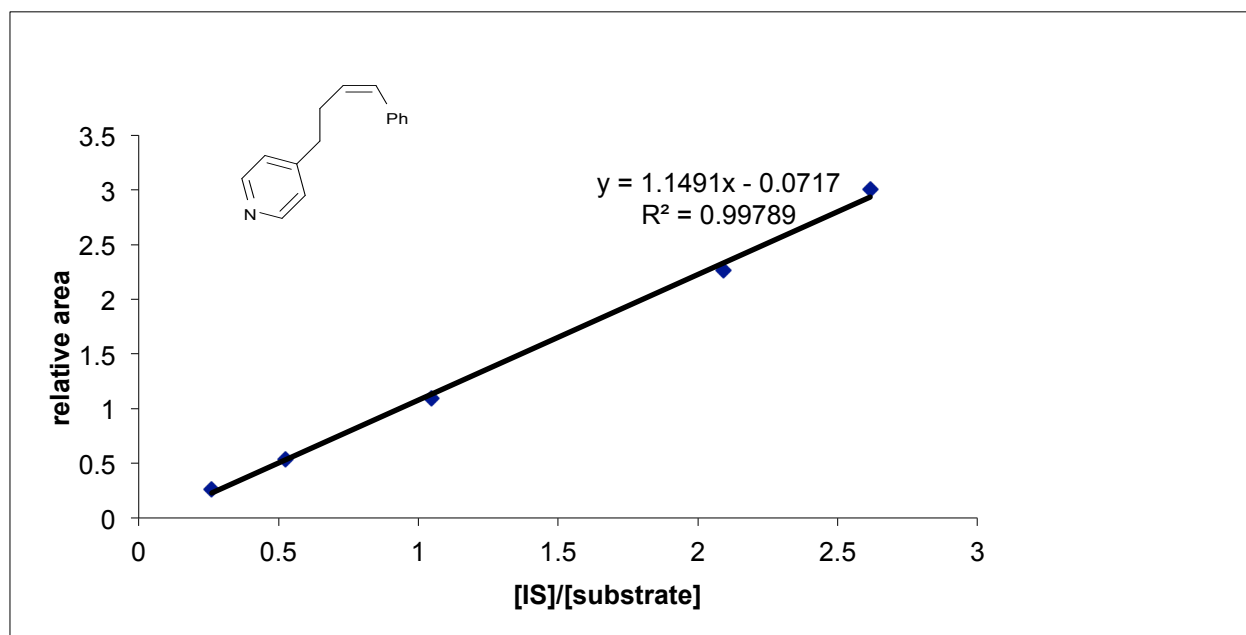


Fig. S4 GC-calibration curve for substrate 4a.

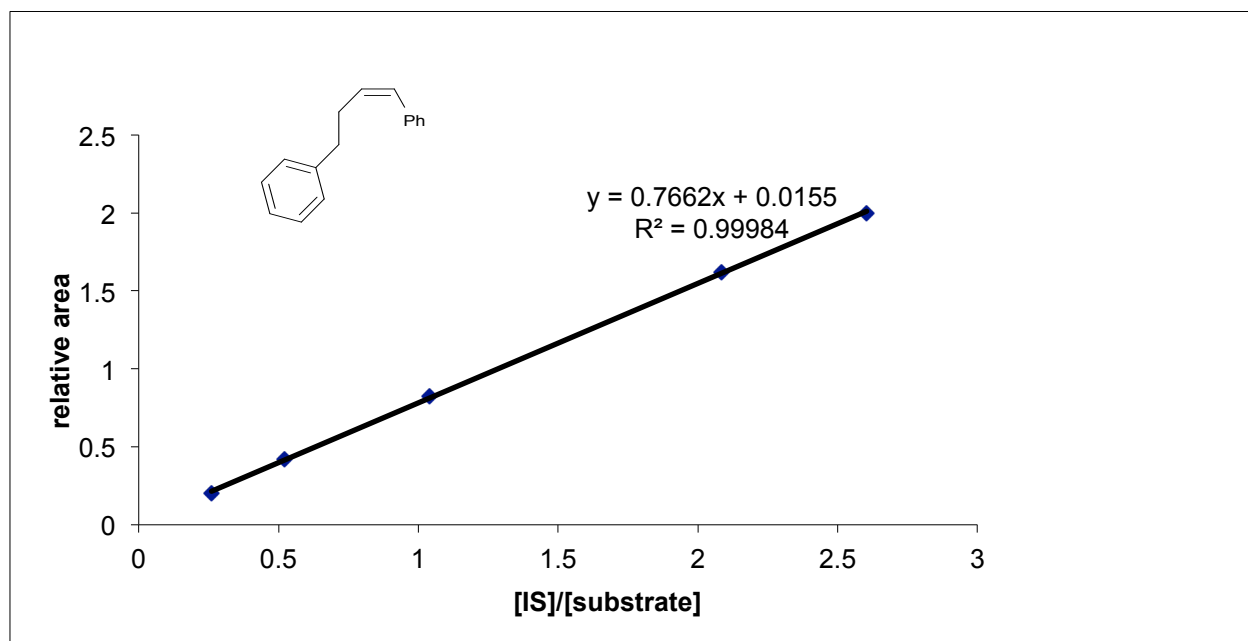


Fig. S5 GC-calibration curve for substrate 5a.

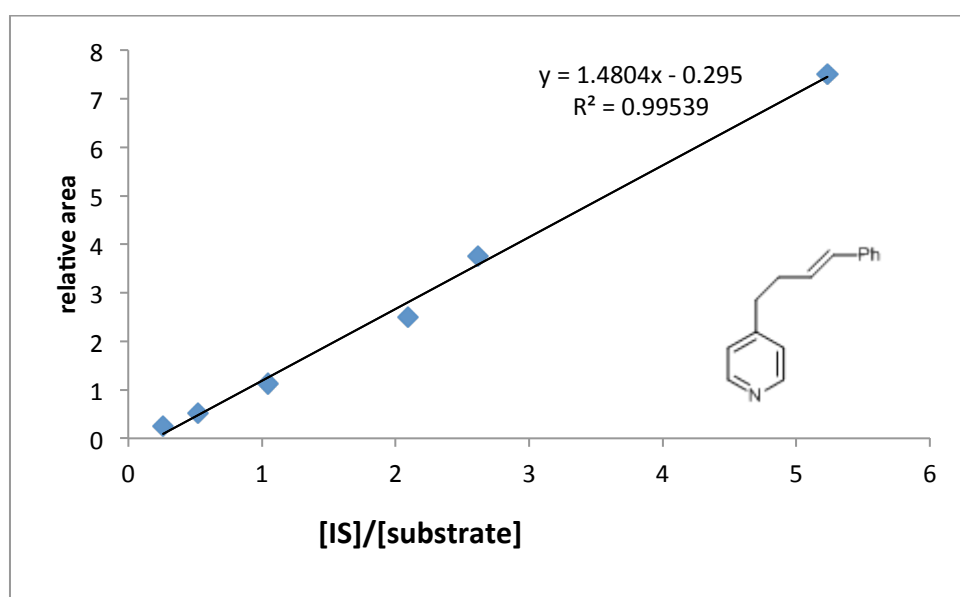


Fig. S6 GC-calibration curve for substrate 4b.

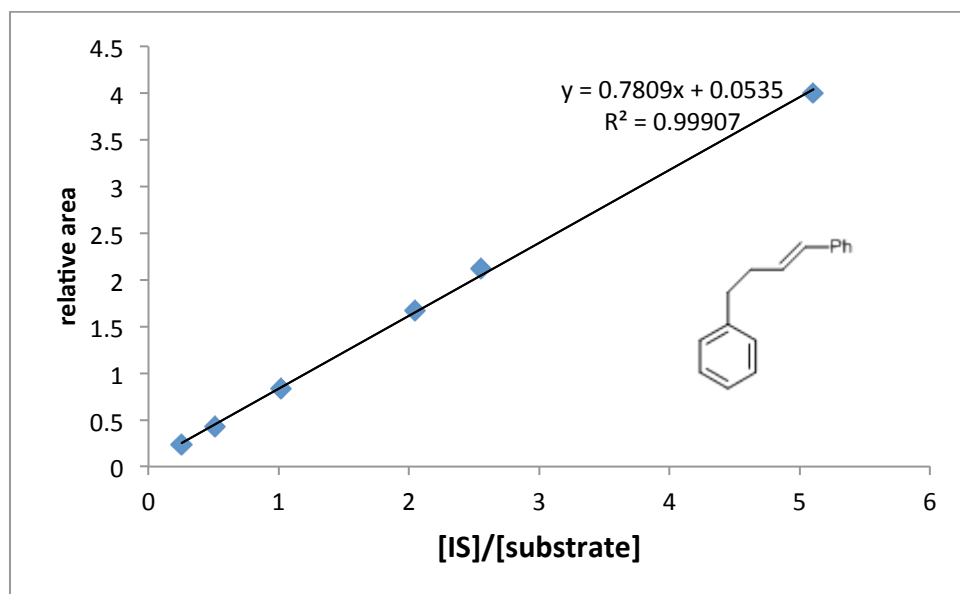


Fig. S7 GC-calibration curve for substrate **5b**.

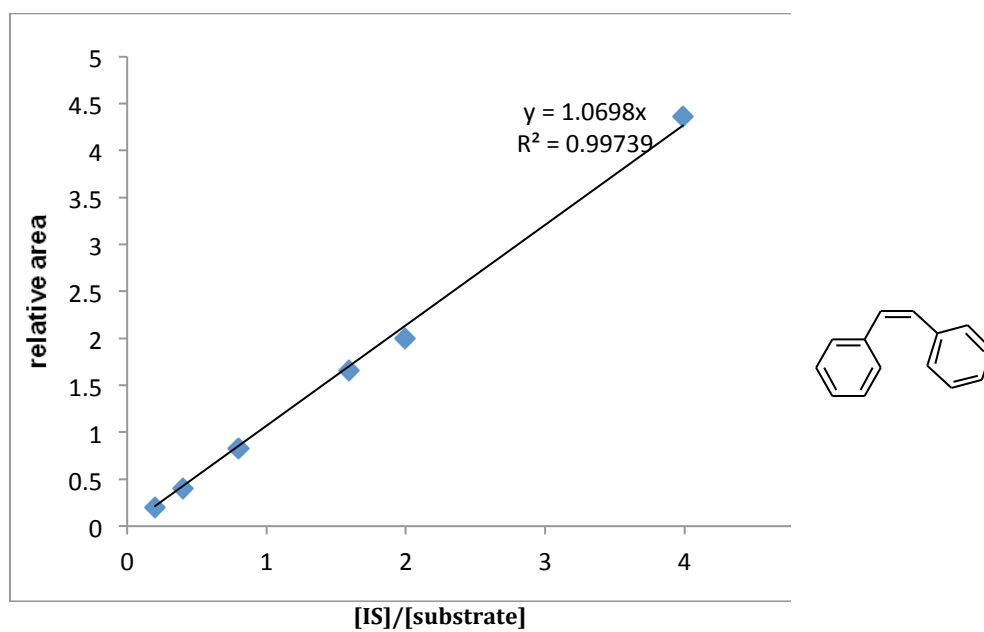


Fig. S8 GC-calibration curve for substrate **28a**.

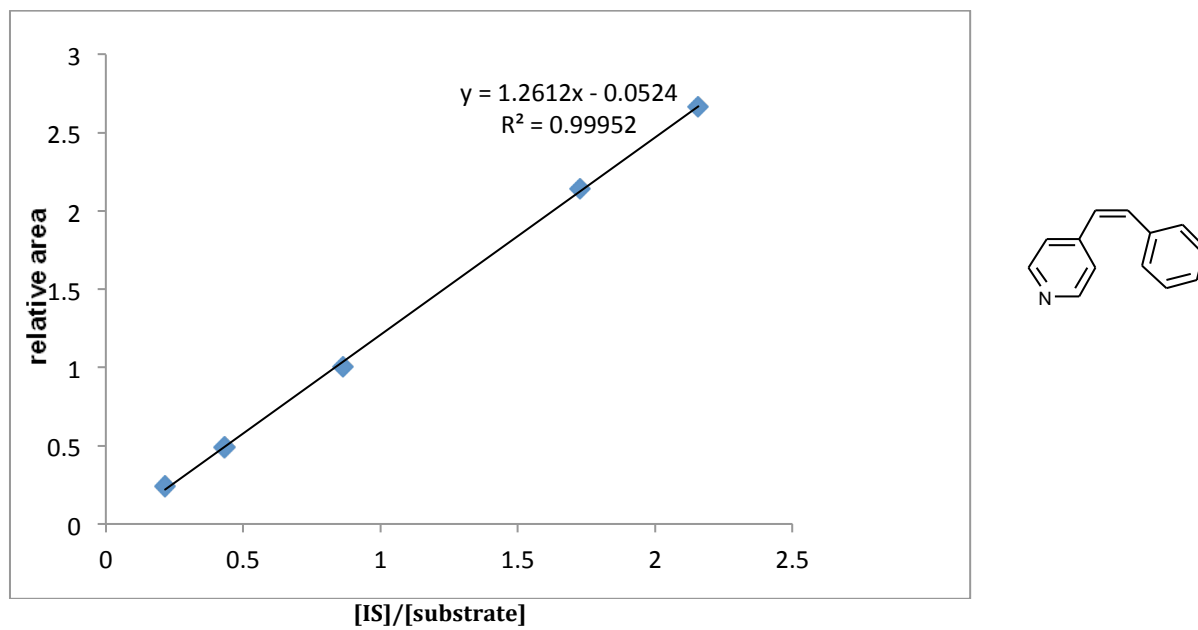
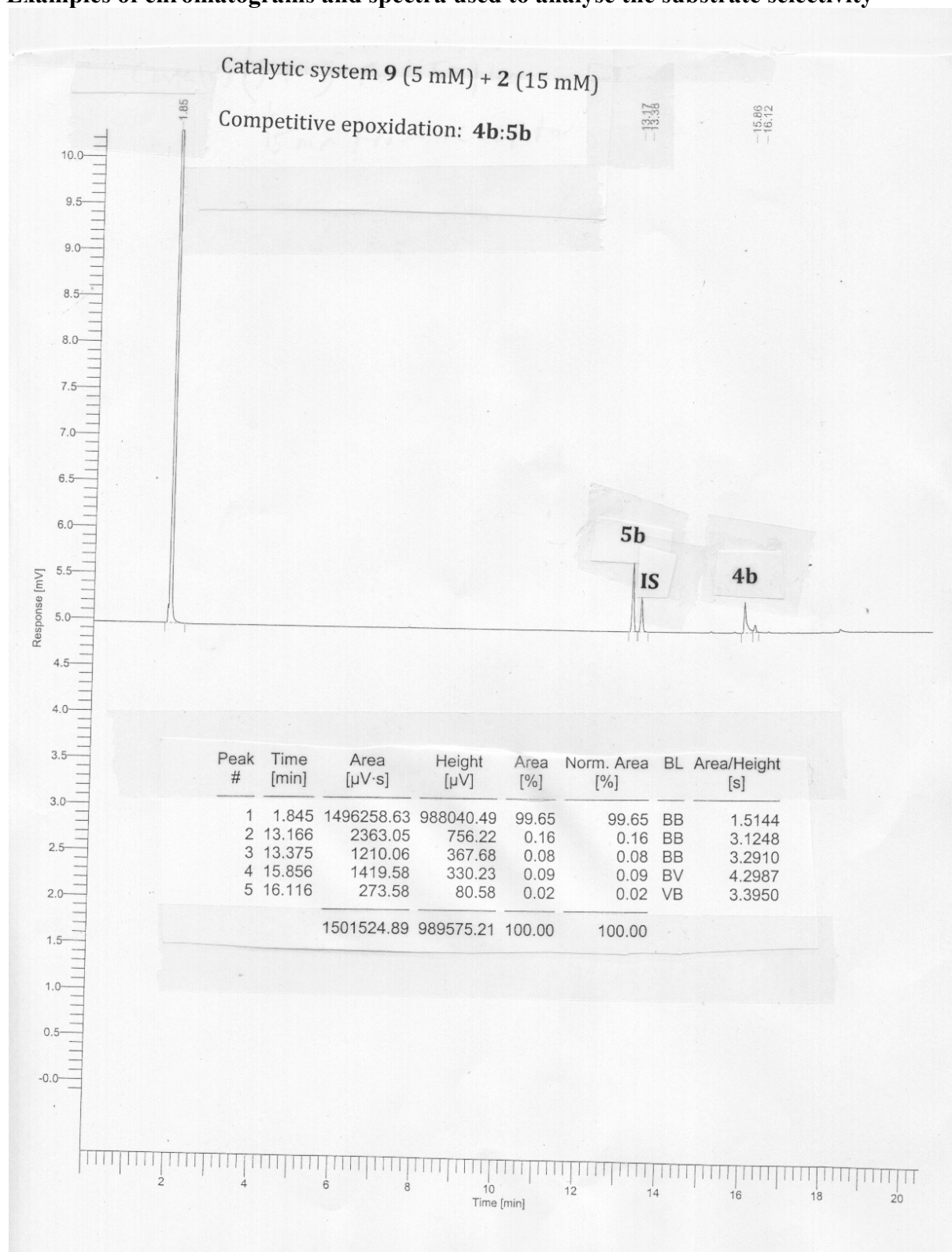


Fig. S9 GC-calibration curve for substrate 27a.

### Examples of chromatograms and spectra used to analyse the substrate selectivity



**Fig. S10** GC chromatogram for the analysis of substrate selectivity in the competitive epoxidation **4b** vs. **5b** using system **9** (5 mM) + **2** (15 mM) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .

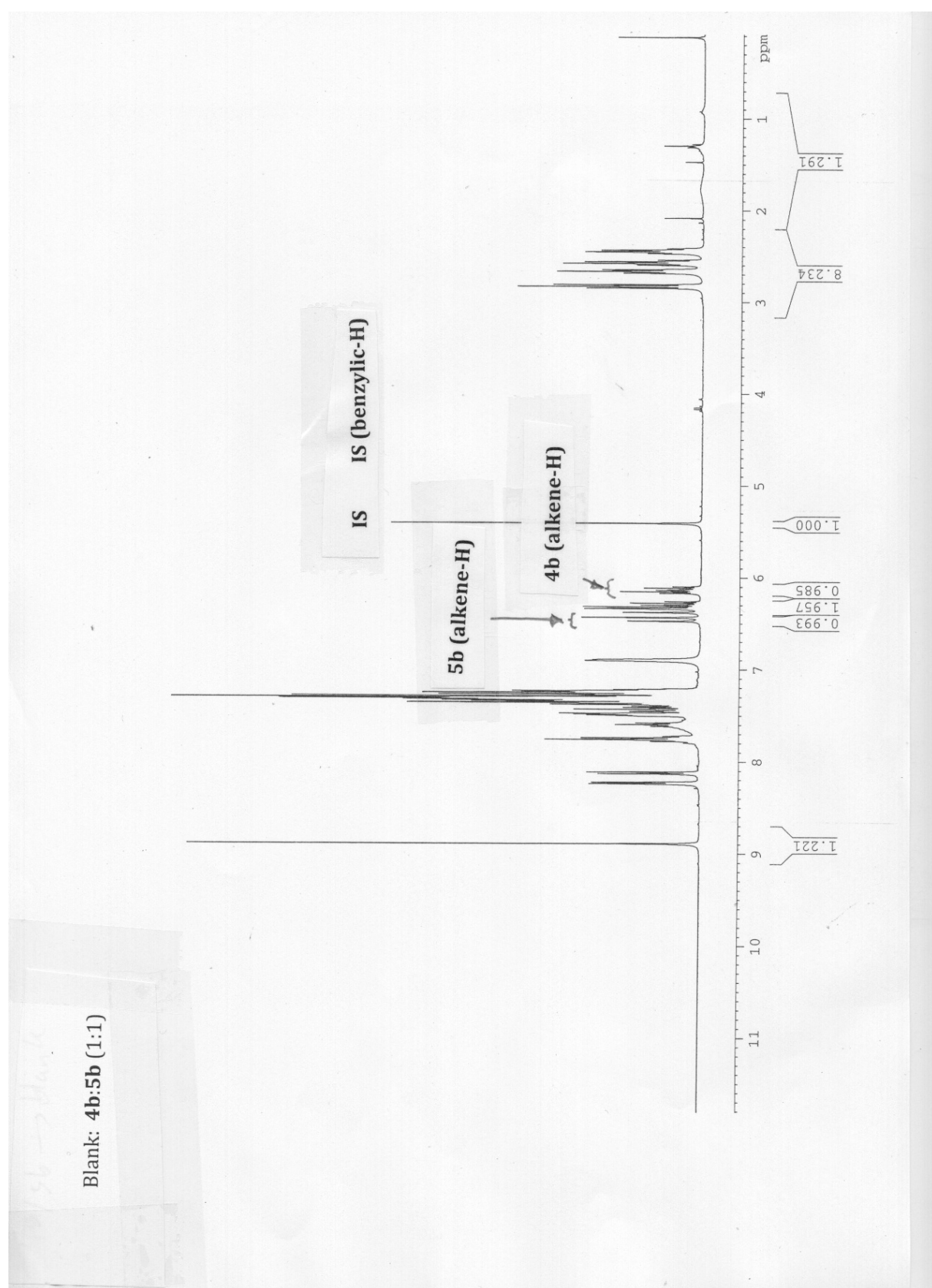
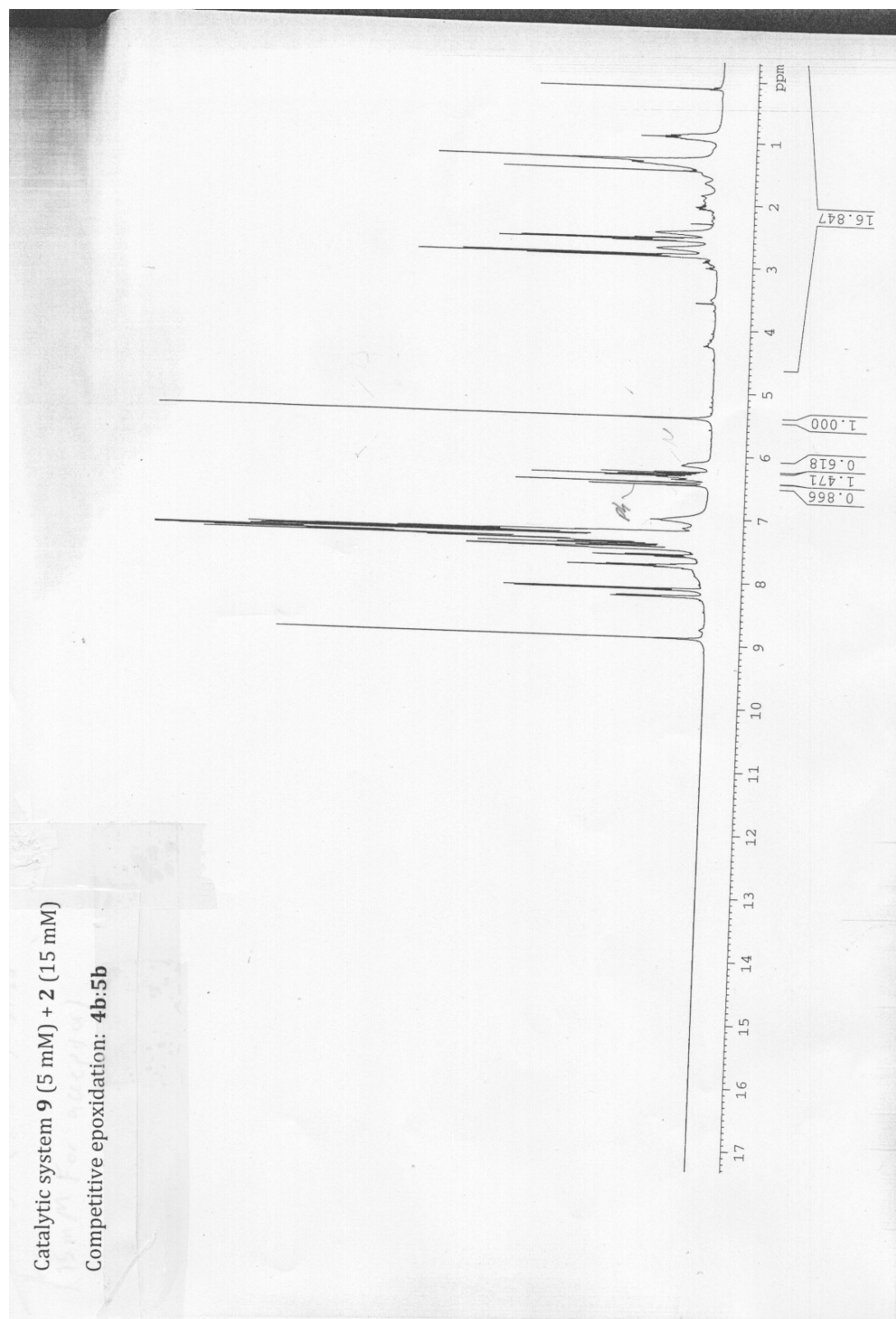
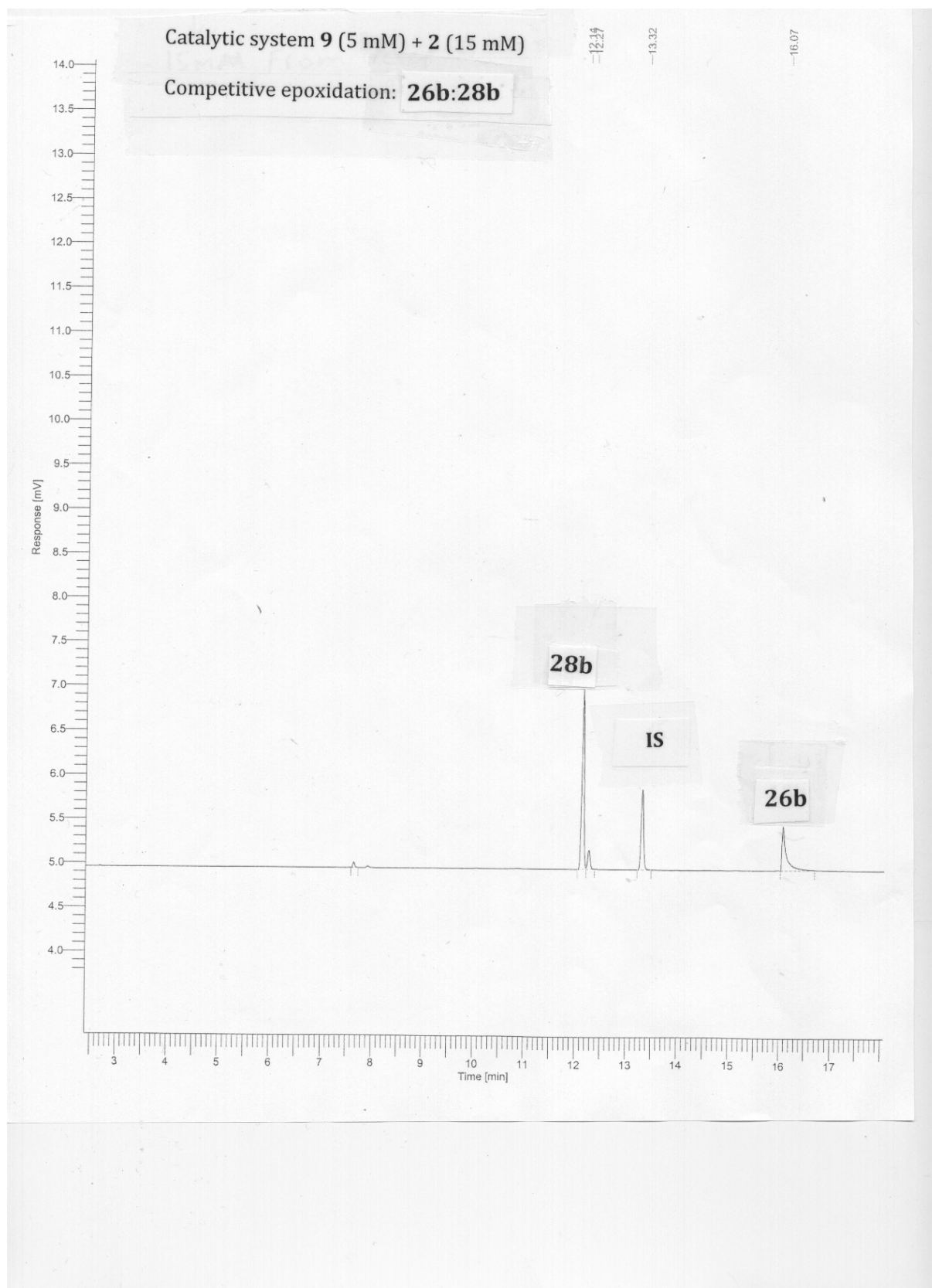


Fig. S11  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): Reference sample containing 4b:5b (1:1).





**Fig. S12** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum for the analysis of substrate selectivity in the competitive epoxidation **4b** vs. **5b** using system **9** (5 mM) + **2** (15 mM) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> as catalyst.



**Fig. S13** GC-chromatogram for the analysis of substrate selectivity in the competitive epoxidation **26b** vs. **28b** using system **9** (5 mM) + **2** (15 mM) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .

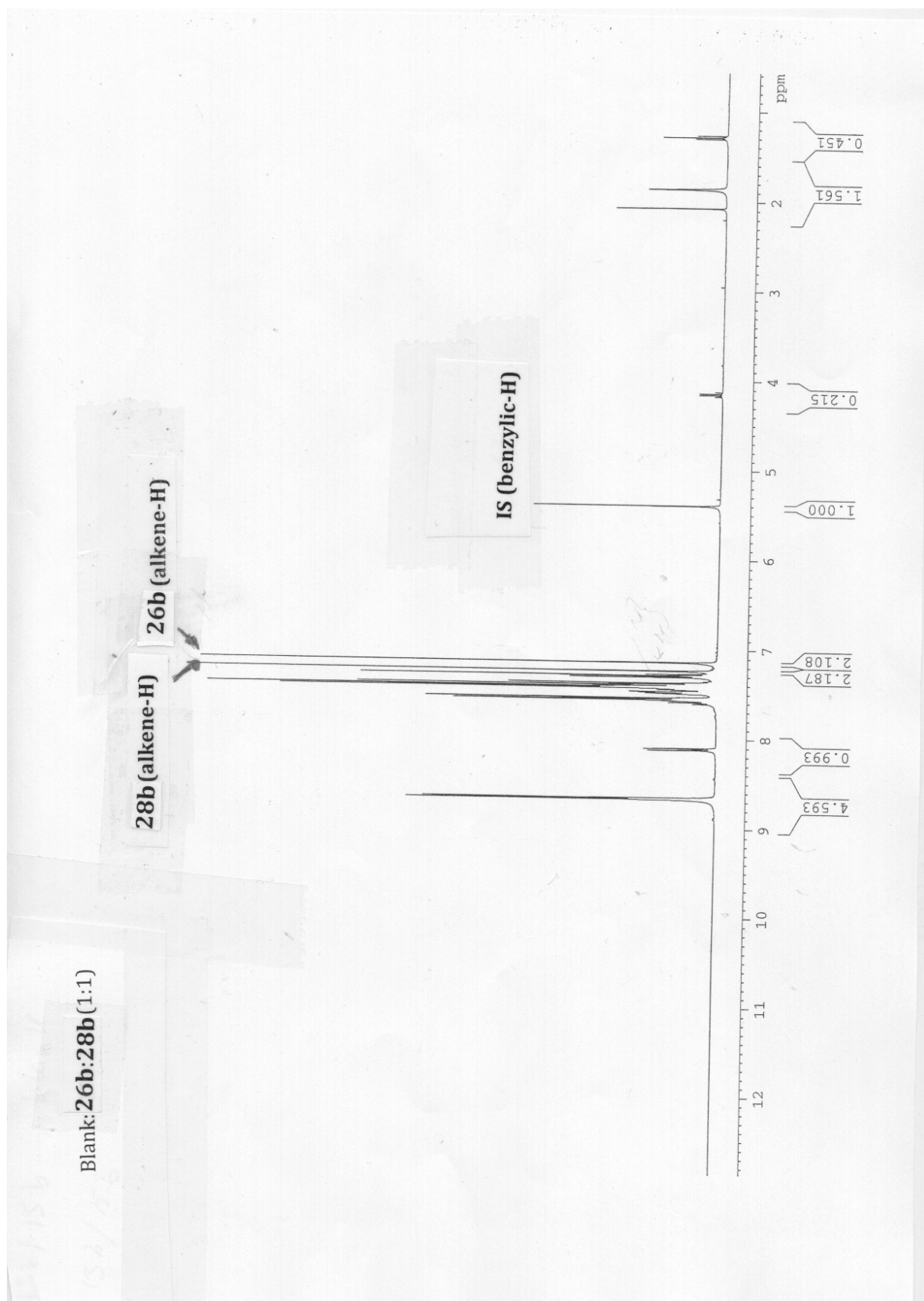
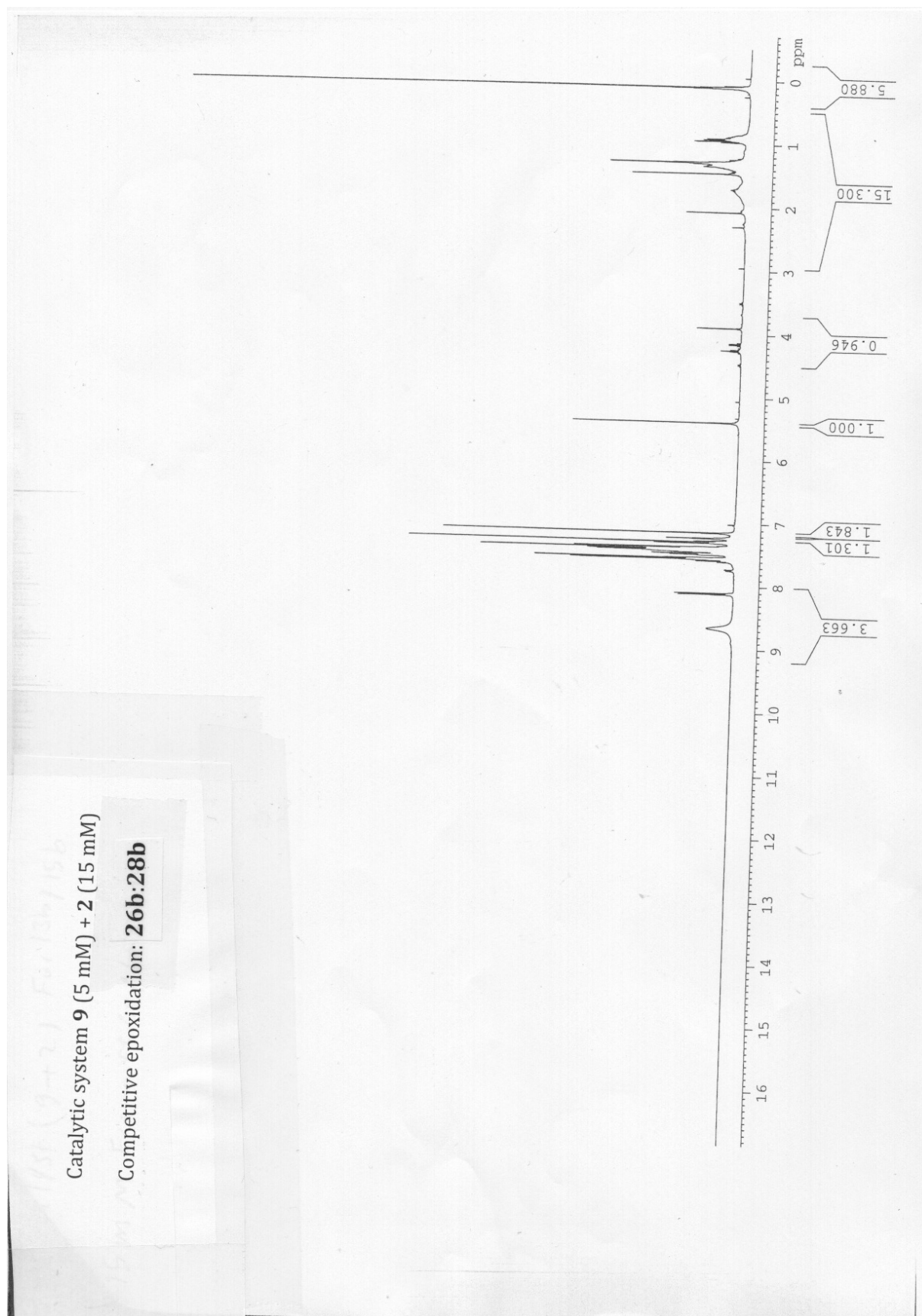
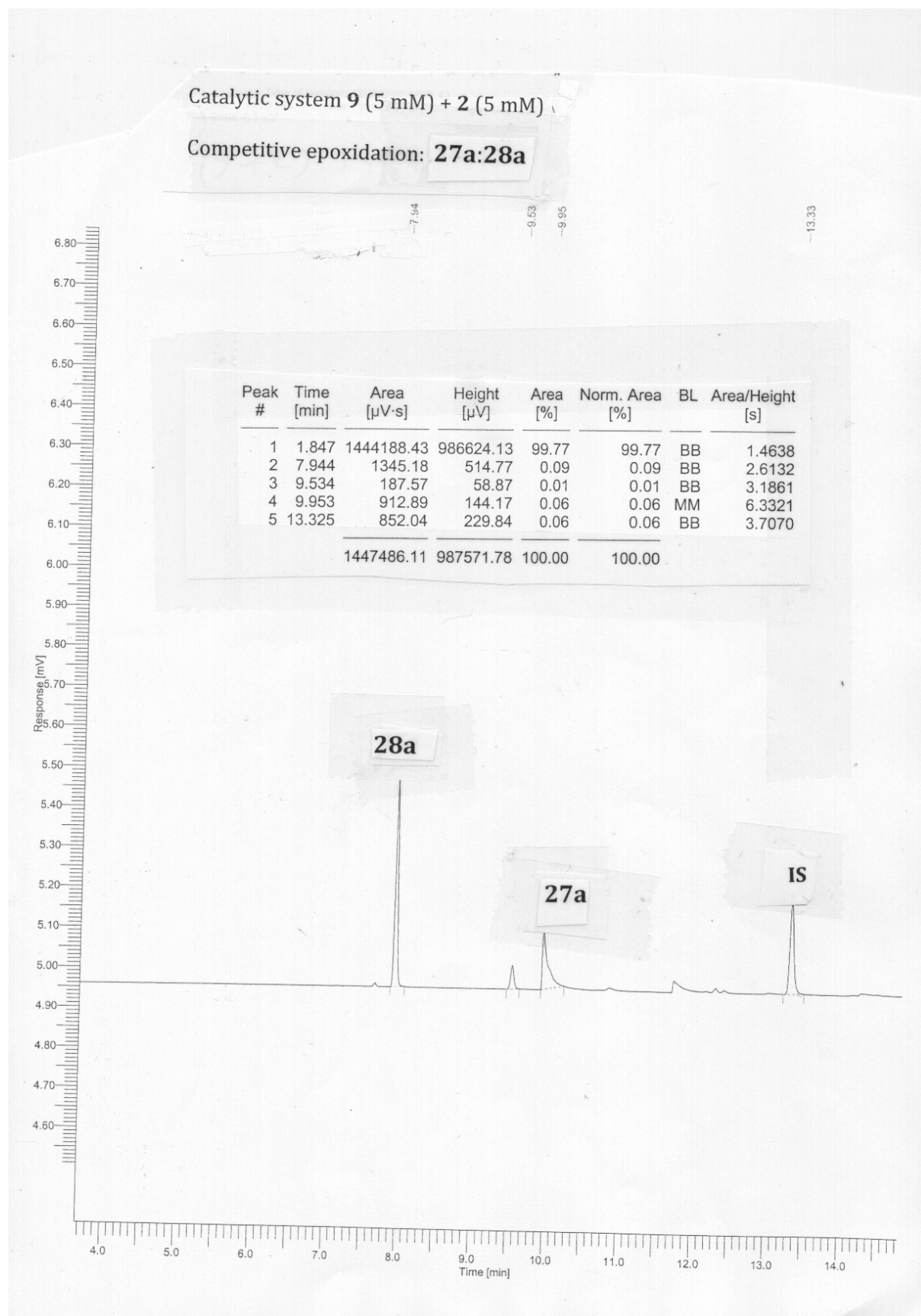


Fig. S14  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): Reference sample containing **26b:28b** (1:1).



**Fig. S15**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum for the analysis of substrate selectivity in the competitive epoxidation **26b** vs. **28b** using system **9** (5 mM) + **2** (15 mM) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  as catalyst.



**Fig. S16** GC-chromatogram for the analysis of substrate selectivity in the competitive epoxidation **27a** vs. **28a** using system **9** (5 mM) + **2** (5 mM) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .

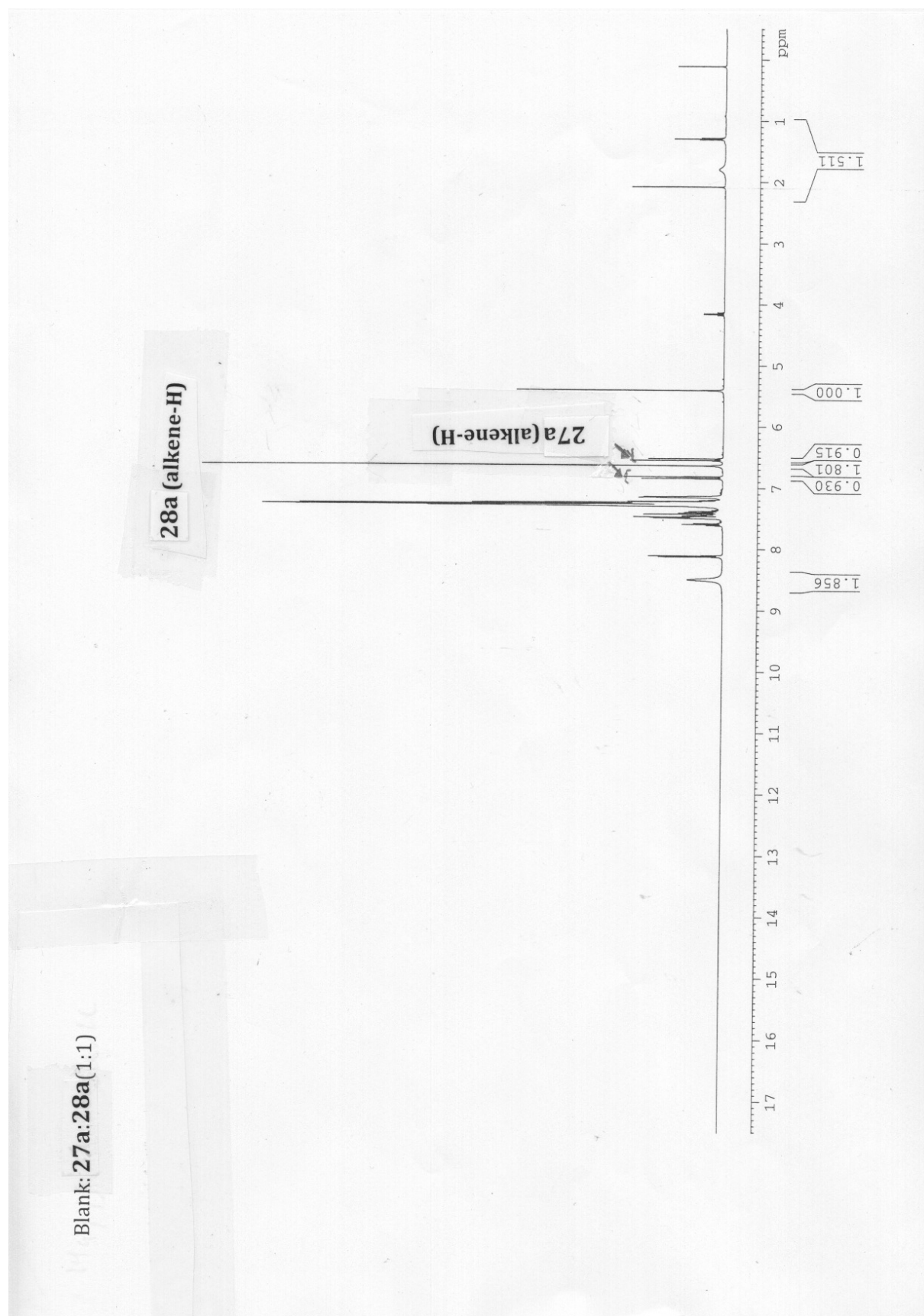
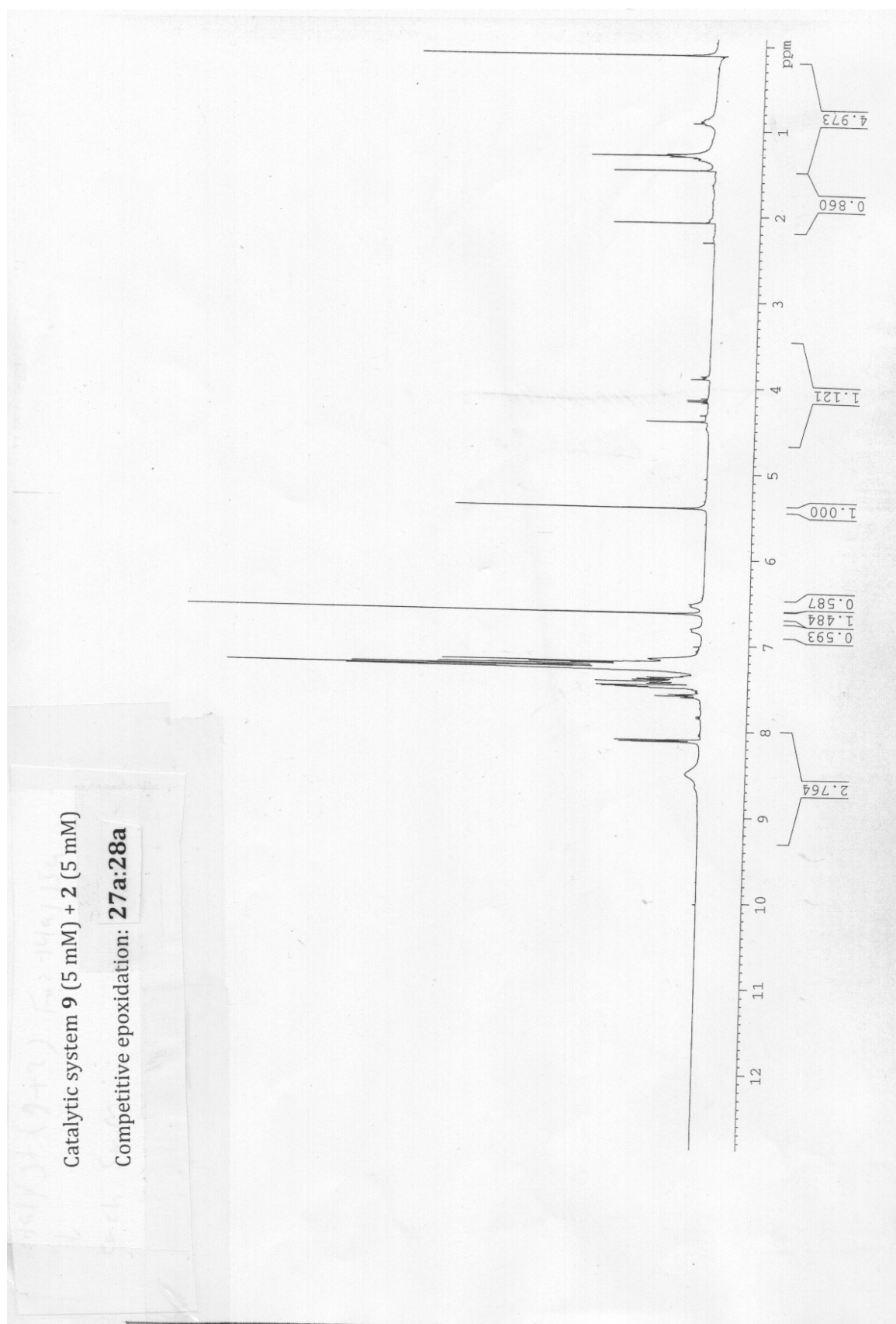


Fig. S17  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): Reference sample containing **27a:28a** (1:1).



**Fig. S18** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum for the analysis of substrate selectivity in the competitive epoxidation **27a** vs. **28a** using system **9** (5 mM) + **2** (5 mM) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> as catalyst.

Table S1 The selectivity in the epoxidation of the styrene analogues catalysed by the different supramolecular systems.<sup>a</sup>

Entry	Cat. system (mM)	Selectivity by GC <sup>b</sup> /NMR <sup>b</sup>			
		<b>4a:5a</b>		<b>4b:5b</b>	
1	<b>1</b> (5) + <b>2</b> (5)	1.55	1.43	1.52	1.50
2	<b>1</b> (5) + <b>2</b> (15)	1.69	1.64	1.70	1.60
3	<b>1</b> (0.5) + <b>2</b> (0.5)	1.30	1.32	1.32	1.29
4	<b>8</b> (5) + <b>2</b> (5)	1.66	1.65	1.86	1.89
5	<b>8</b> (5) + <b>2</b> (15)	1.82	1.76	2.68	2.75
6	<b>9</b> (5) + <b>2</b> (5)	1.80	1.73	1.95	2.06
7	<b>9</b> (5) + <b>2</b> (15)	1.93	1.86	2.97	2.92
8	<b>9</b> (0.5) + <b>2</b> (0.5)	1.42	1.38	1.75	1.77
9	<b>9</b> (5) + ZnTPP (5)	0.99	1.08	1.02	1.06
10 <sup>c</sup>	<b>9</b> (5) + <b>2</b> (5)	1.02	1.04	1.08	1.06
11 <sup>d</sup>	<b>9</b> (5) + <b>2</b> (5)	1.34	1.28	1.73	1.75
12	<b>12</b> (5)	1.15	1.13	1.15	1.22
13	<b>12</b> (15)	1.24	1.23	1.30	1.34

<sup>a</sup> General procedure: catalyst part **1**, or **8**, or **9** (3 μmol each), receptor part **2** (3 or 9 μmol each), substrate pairs of **4** and **5** (30 μmol each), PhIO (24 μmol), internal standard benzyl benzoate (15 μmol), DCM (0.6 ml or 6 mL), and rt. Consistently 70% of the product was epoxide (GC). <sup>b</sup> Relative selectivity; see ref. 3d for its calculation. In this case based only on the disappearance of starting material. <sup>c</sup>receptor without Zn. <sup>d</sup>4-Ethylpyridine (90 μmol) added.

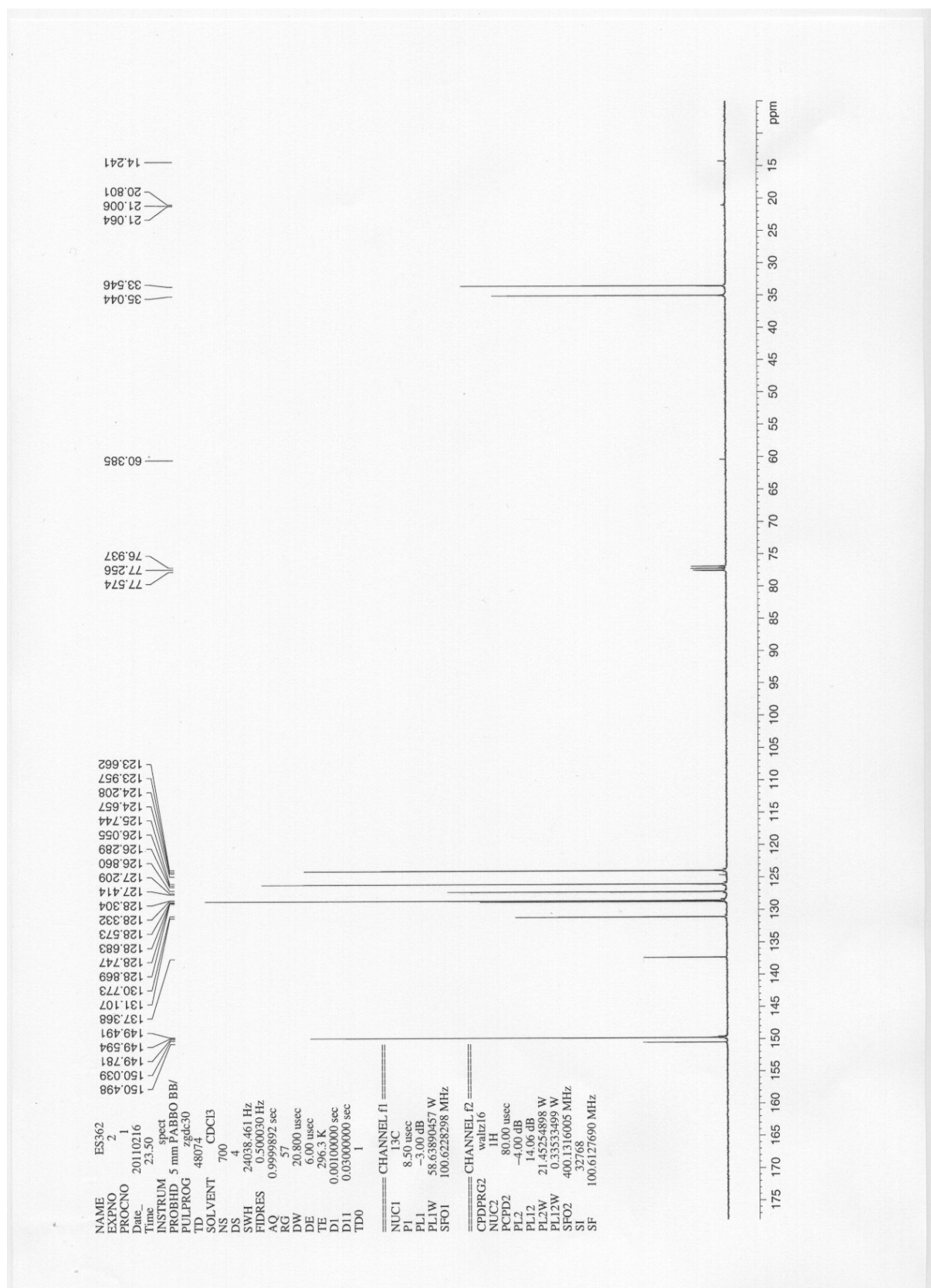
Table S2 The selectivity in the epoxidation of stilbene analogues catalysed by the different supramolecular systems.<sup>a</sup>

Entry	Cat. system (mM)	Selectivity by GC <sup>b</sup> /NMR <sup>b</sup>					
		<b>26b:28b</b>		<b>27b:28b</b>		<b>27a:28a</b>	
1	<b>1</b> (5) + <b>2</b> (5)	1.70	1.75	1.22	1.26	0.75	0.69
2	<b>1</b> (5) + <b>2</b> (15)	2.38	2.35	1.38	1.42	0.58	0.56
3	<b>8</b> (5) + <b>2</b> (5)	1.95	1.91	1.37	1.25	1.92	1.90
4	<b>8</b> (5) + <b>2</b> (15)	3.28	3.34	1.51	1.48	3.27	3.25
5	<b>9</b> (5) + <b>2</b> (5)	2.22	2.25	1.18	1.25	2.15	2.12
6	<b>9</b> (5) + <b>2</b> (15)	3.40	3.46	1.45	1.51	3.36	3.44
9	<b>12</b> (5)	1.36	1.34	1.08	1.06	1.06	1.09
10	<b>12</b> (15)	1.52	1.56	1.18	1.22	1.28	1.32

<sup>a</sup> General procedure: catalyst part **1**, or **8**, or **9** or catalyst **12** (3 μmol each), receptor part **2**, (3 or 9 μmol each), substrates pairs of **26**, **27**, **28** (30 μmol each), PhIO (24 μmol), internal standard (benzyl benzoate) (15 μmol), DCM (0.6 ml), and rt. Consistently 70% of the product was epoxide (GC). <sup>b</sup> Relative selectivity; see ref. 3d for its calculation. In this case based only on the disappearance of starting material. n.d = not determined.







**Fig. S20**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **4b**.

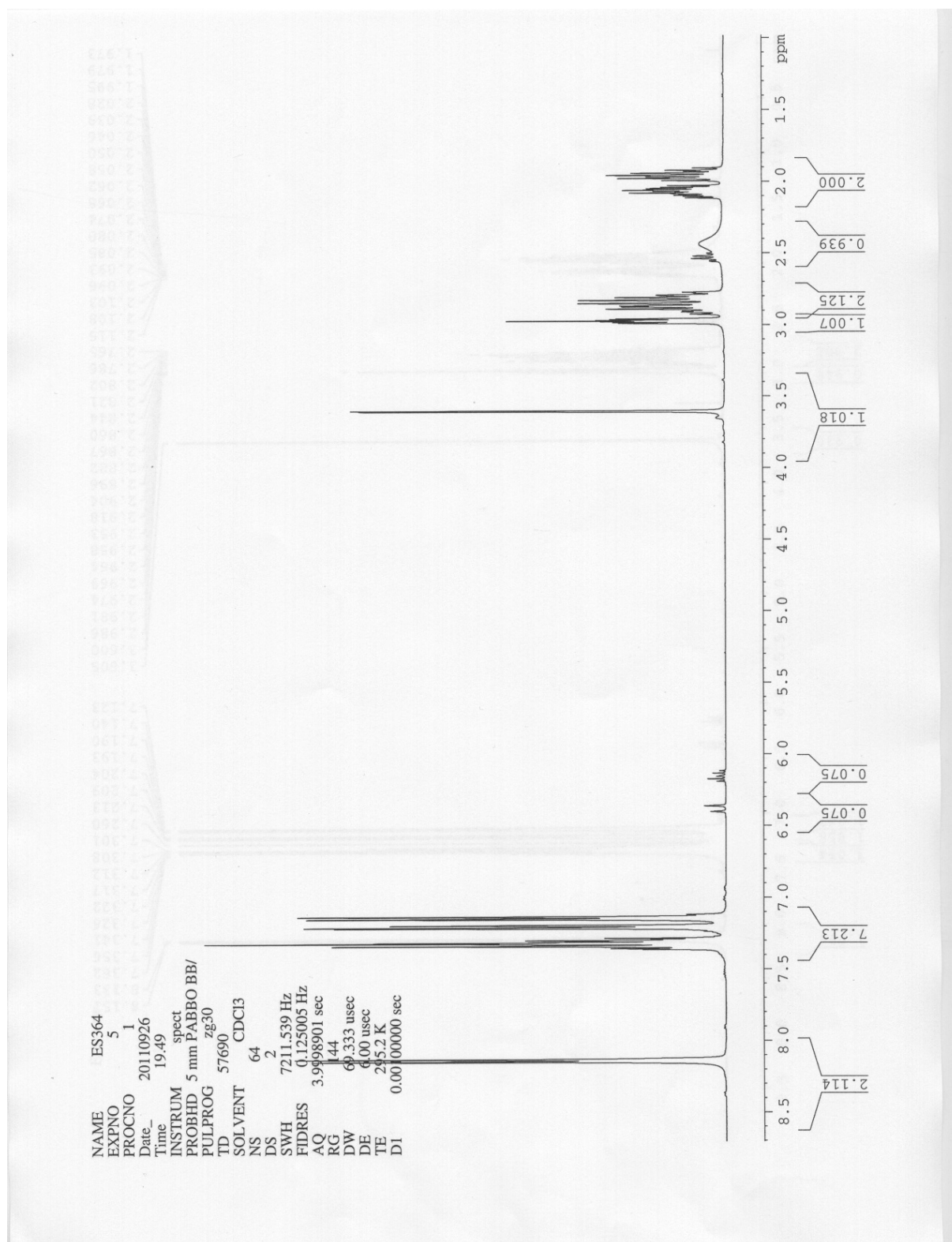


Fig. S21  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **6b**.

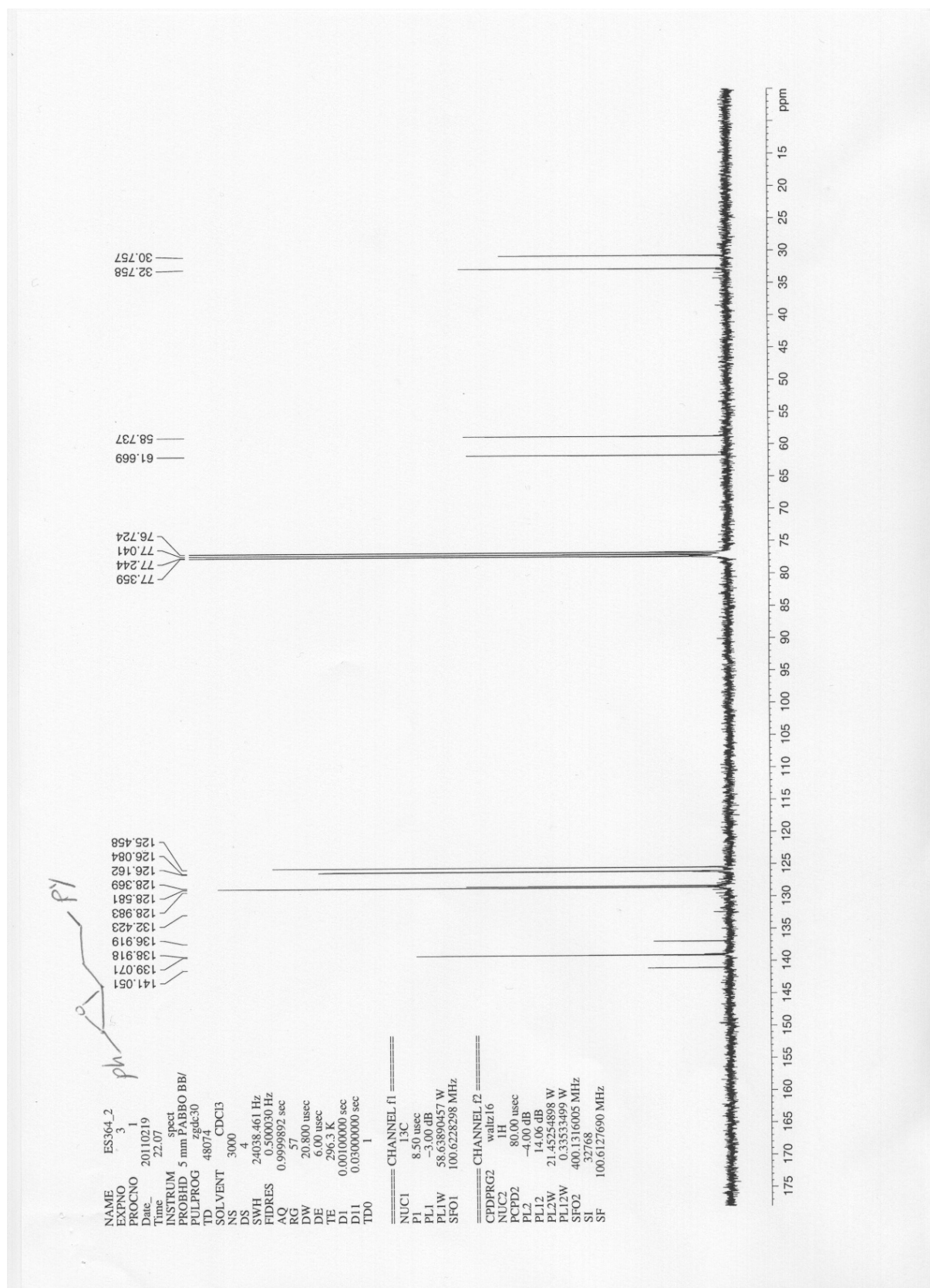


Fig. S22  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) spectrum of **6b**.