

Supporting Information

Tandem Michael addition/isocyanide insertion into C–C bond: A novel access to 2-acylpyrroles and medium-ring fused pyrroles

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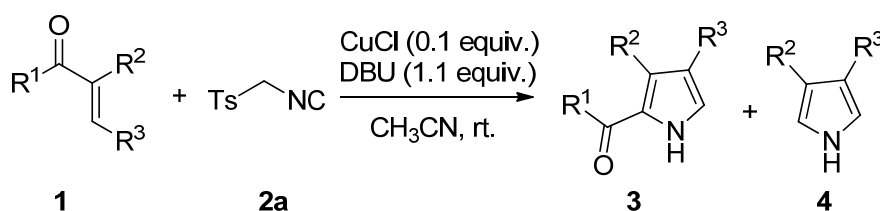
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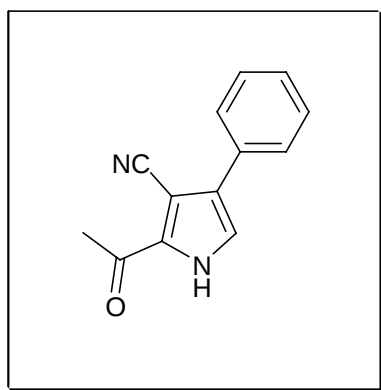
I. General information

All reagents were commercial and used without further purification, unless otherwise indicated. Chromatography was carried on flash silica gel (300–400 mesh). All reactions were monitored by TLC, which was performed on precoated aluminum sheets of silica gel 60 (F254). Melting points were uncorrected. The ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra were determined at 25°C on a 500 MHz and 125 MHz, respectively, and TMS as internal standard. All shifts are given in ppm. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained using a Bruker microTOF II focus spectrometer (ESI). The substrates **1** and **5** were prepared by the similar method as reported references.^{1,2}

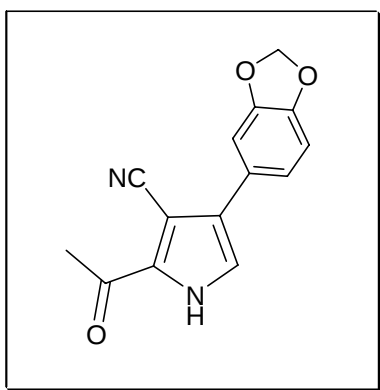
II. Synthetic procedures/analytical data of compounds **3** and **6**.



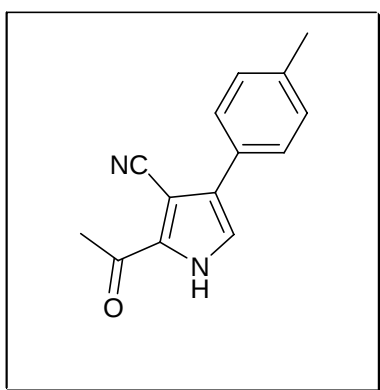
General procedure for the synthesis of 3a-u (taking 3a as an example): To the mixture of **1a** (171.0 mg, 1.0 mmol), tosylmethyl isocyanide (215 mg, 1.1 mmol) and CuCl (10 mg, 0.1 mmol) in CH₃CN (5 mL) in ice-bath, a solution of DBU (0.165 mL, 1.1 mmol) in CH₃CN (2 mL) was added dropwise in 5 min under stirring. Then the temperature was allowed to rise to room temperature and the reaction was monitored by TLC. After the substrate **1a** was consumed, the resulting mixture was poured into brine (20 mL), and extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether/EtOAc = 6:1) to give **3a** (153 mg, 73%) and **4a** (40 mg, 24%), respectively.



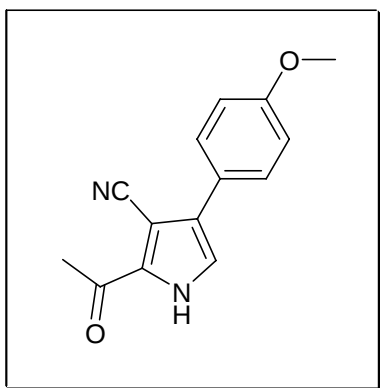
3a, 2-Acetyl-4-phenyl-1H-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile. White solid. m.p. 112–114 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 Hz) δ 2.61 (s, 3H), 7.36 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.49 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.84 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 Hz), δ 22.0, 97.6, 114.8, 116.5, 126.7, 127.7, 128.3, 129.0, 129.3, 131.0, 166.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₃H₁₁N₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 211.0866. Found 211.0861.



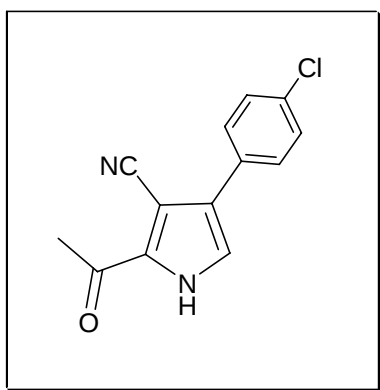
3b, 2-Acetyl-4-(benzo[*d*][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-1*H*-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile. Light yellow solid. m.p. 165–167 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 Hz) δ 2.62 (s, 3H), 6.01 (s, 2H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.07–7.14 (dd, *J* = 8.0 Hz, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (s, 1H), 7.83 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 Hz), δ 22.0, 97.6, 101.3, 107.3, 108.8, 114.8, 116.0, 120.6, 124.9, 127.5, 129.1, 147.8, 148.2, 166.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₄H₁₁N₂O₃⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 255.0764 Found 255.0768.



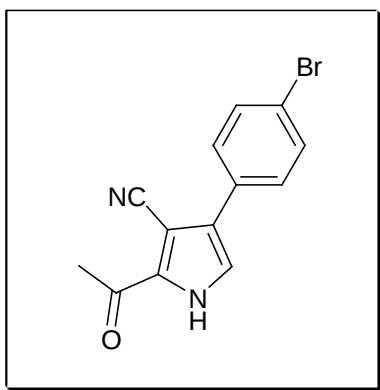
3c, 2-Acetyl-4-*p*-tolyl-1*H*-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile. White solid. m.p. 116–118 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 Hz) δ 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.62 (s, 3H), 7.25 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (s, 1H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.84 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 Hz), δ 21.2, 22.0, 97.5, 114.9, 116.0, 126.6, 127.6, 128.0, 129.3, 129.6, 138.2, 166.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₄H₁₃N₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 225.1022, Found 225.1019.



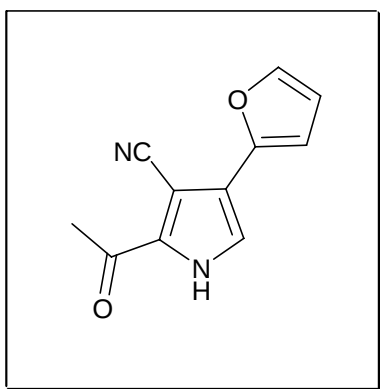
3d, 2-Acetyl-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile. White solid. m.p. 145–147 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 Hz) δ 2.61 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 Hz), δ 22.0, 55.3, 87.6, 114.4, 115.0, 115.7, 123.5, 127.5, 128.0, 129.1, 159.7, 166.5. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₄H₁₃N₂O₂⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 241.0972, Found 241.0970.



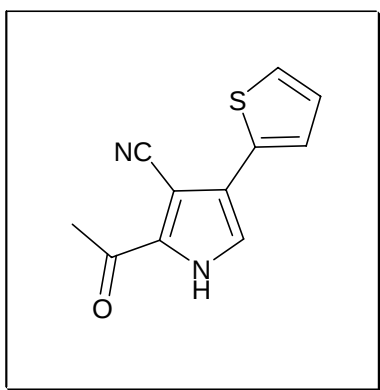
3e, 2-Acetyl-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile. White solid. m.p. 182–184 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 Hz) δ 2.63 (s, 3H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (s, 1H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 Hz), δ 22.1, 94.5, 114.7, 116.6, 127.8, 128.0, 128.2, 129.3, 129.5, 134.3, 166.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₃H₉ClN₂NaO⁺ ([M+Na]⁺) 267.0296, Found 267.0285.



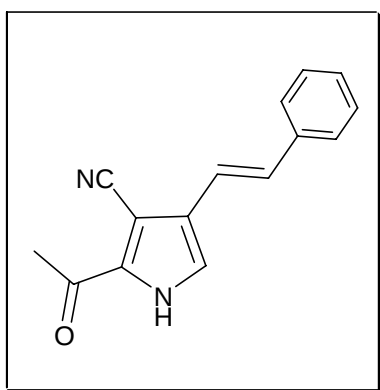
3f, 2-Acetyl-4-(4-bromophenyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile. White solid. m.p. 165–167 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 Hz) δ 2.64 (s, 3H), 7.51 (s, 1H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.86 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 Hz), δ 22.0, 97.4, 114.6, 116.6, 122.4, 127.8, 128.2, 128.3, 129.9, 132.2, 166.3. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₃H₁₀BrN₂O⁺ ([M+H]⁺) 288.9971, Found 288.9980.



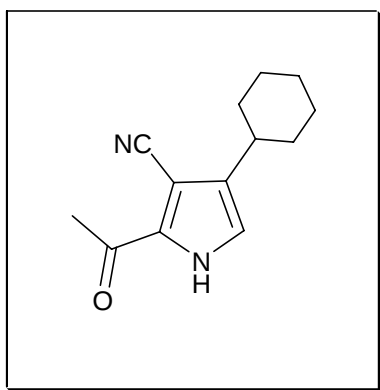
3g, 2-Acetyl-4-(furan-2-yl)-1*H*-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile. White solid. m.p. 154–156 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 Hz) δ 2.62 (s, 3H), 6.49 (s, 1H), 6.88 (s, 1H), 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.54 (s, 1H), 7.82 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 Hz), δ 22.0, 95.6, 107.3, 111.6, 114.3, 114.9, 120.1, 127.2, 142.0, 145.7, 166.3. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₁₁H₈N₂NaO₂⁺ ([M+Na]⁺) 223.0478, Found 223.0467.



3h, 2-Acetyl-4-(thiophen-2-yl)-1H-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile. Light pink solid. m.p. 162–164 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 Hz) δ 2.62 (s, 3H), 7.10 (dd, $J = 5.0$ Hz, $J = 3.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.30 (dd, $J = 5.0$ Hz, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.47 (s, 1H), 7.52 (dd, $J = 4.0$ Hz, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.83 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 Hz), δ 22.0, 97.2, 114.5, 115.9, 123.1, 125.1, 125.3, 127.5, 128.1, 132.7, 166.3. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_9\text{N}_2\text{OS}^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 217.0430, Found 217.0424.

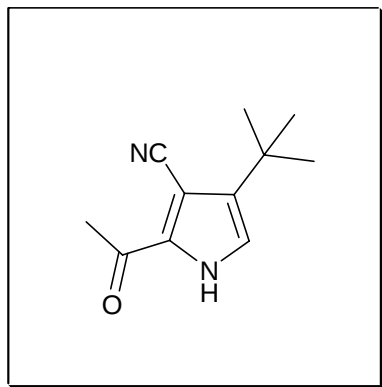


3i, 2-Acetyl-4-styryl-1H-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile. Light yellow solid. m.p. 167–169 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 Hz) δ 2.60 (s, 3H), 6.93 (d, $J = 16.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.29 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, $J = 16.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.41 (s, 1H), 7.49 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.78 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 Hz), δ 22.0, 97.1, 114.8, 117.2, 117.3, 126.5, 127.5, 128.2, 128.7, 131.0, 136.5, 166.3. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{N}_2\text{O}^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 237.1022, Found 237.1022.

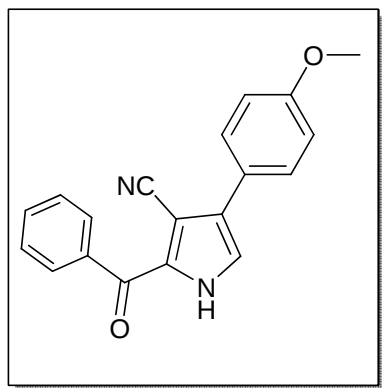


3j, 2-Acetyl-4-cyclohexyl-1H-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile. White solid. Light yellow oil. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 Hz) δ 1.21–1.27 (m, 1H), 1.30–1.44 (m, 4H), 1.74 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.82 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 1.99 (d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.53 (s, 3H), 2.53–2.58 (m, 1H), 7.05 (s, 1H), 7.70 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 Hz), δ 22.0, 25.8, 26.2, 33.1, 35.5, 98.5, 114.7, 115.3, 126.4, 135.8, 166.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for

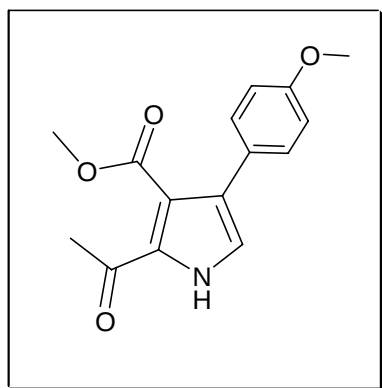
$C_{13}H_{17}N_2O^+$ ($[M+H]^+$) 217.1355, Found 217.1340.



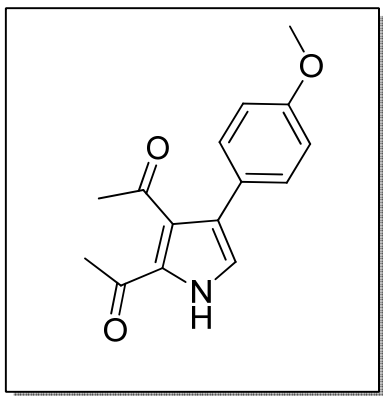
3k, 4-*tert*-Butyl-2-acetyl-1*H*-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile. Colorless oil. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 500 Hz) δ 1.36 (s, 9H), 2.55 (s, 3H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 7.74 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 125 Hz), δ 22.0, 28.6, 31.3, 97.4, 114.9, 115.6, 128.0, 139.4, 166.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $C_{11}H_{15}N_2O^+$ ($[M+H]^+$) 191.1179, Found 191.1169.



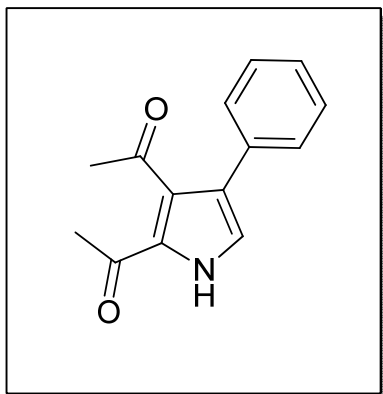
3l, 2-Benzoyl-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-3-carbonitrile. White solid. m.p. 126–128 °C. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 500 Hz) δ 3.84 (s, 3H), 6.96 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.47 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.56–7.60 (m, 4H), 7.70 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (s, 1H), 7.78 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 125 Hz), δ 55.3, 97.3, 114.4, 115.1, 117.5, 123.5, 128.0, 128.8, 128.9, 129.7, 129.8, 131.1, 133.5, 159.6, 166.4. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $C_{19}H_{14}N_2NaO_2^+$ ($[M+Na]^+$) 325.0947, Found 325.0941.



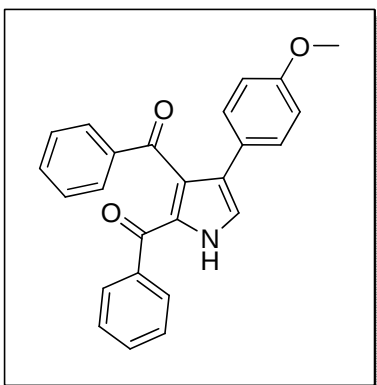
3m, Methyl 2-acetyl 4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-3-carboxylate. White solid. m.p. 134–136 °C. 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 500 Hz) δ 2.59 (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 6.91 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (s, 1H), 7.40 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.93 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 125 Hz), δ 22.0, 51.3, 55.3, 113.4, 118.0, 125.4, 125.5, 129.2, 130.2, 159.1, 164.2, 167.3. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $C_{15}H_{15}NNaO_4^+$ ($[M+Na]^+$) 296.0893, Found 296.0897.



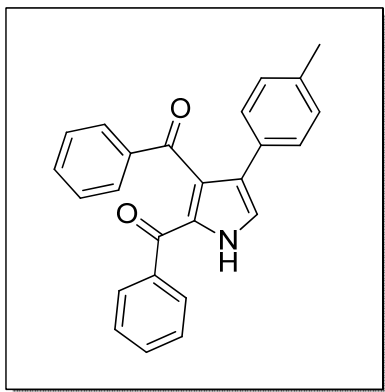
3n, 2,3-Diacetyl-4-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrrole. Yellowish solid, m.p. 138–140 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 Hz) δ 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.59 (s, 3H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 6.91 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.21 (s, 1H), 7.33 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.91 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 Hz), δ 22.1, 28.7, 55.2, 113.5, 118.6, 124.8, 125.6, 127.0, 128.7, 130.2, 159.1, 167.4, 194.1. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{15}\text{NNaO}_3^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$) 280.0944, Found 280.0951.



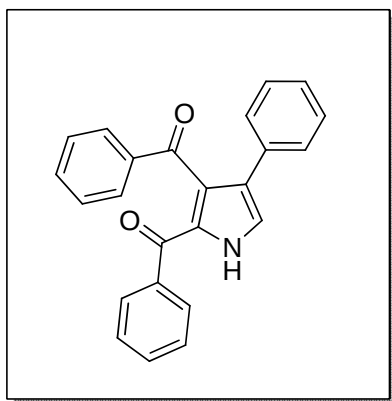
3o, 2,3-Diacetyl-4-phenylpyrrole. White solid, m.p. 93–95 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 Hz) δ 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.61 (s, 3H), 7.26 (s, 1H), 7.33–7.41 (m, 5H), 7.93 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 Hz), δ 22.1, 28.7, 119.1, 124.9, 127.5, 128.0, 129.0, 129.1, 133.3, 167.5, 194.1. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{13}\text{NNaO}_2^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$) 250.0838, Found 250.0841.



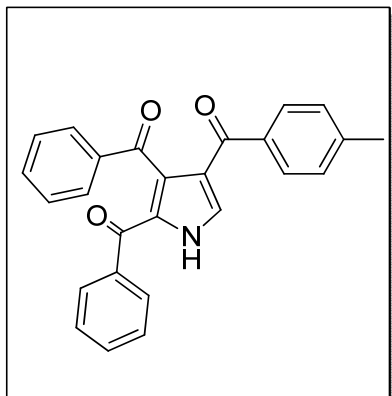
3p, (4-(Methoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrole-2,3-diyl)bis(phenylmethanone). White solid. m.p. 186–188 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 Hz) δ 3.76 (s, 3H), 6.80 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.27–7.29 (m, 4H), 7.32–7.35 (m, 1H), 7.37–7.41 (m, 3H), 9.59 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 Hz), δ 55.2, 113.9, 121.9, 125.7, 127.6, 127.9, 128.0, 128.5, 129.0, 129.5, 131.0, 131.8, 132.6, 138.7, 139.2, 158.7, 186.7, 194.2. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{19}\text{NNaO}_3^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$) 404.1257, Found 404.1257.



3q, (4-(*p*-Tolyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-2,3-diyl)bis(phenylmethanone). White solid. m.p. 179–181 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 Hz) δ 2.28 (s, 3H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.14–7.16 (m, 4H), 7.22–7.25 (m, 3H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.38–7.42 (m, 4H), 9.89 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 Hz), δ 21.0, 122.1, 127.7, 127.9, 128.0, 128.1, 128.3, 128.5, 129.0, 129.1, 130.2, 130.8, 131.8, 132.5, 136.6, 138.6, 139.1, 186.7, 194.1. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₂₅H₁₉NNaO₂⁺ ([M+Na]⁺) 388.1308, Found 388.1310.

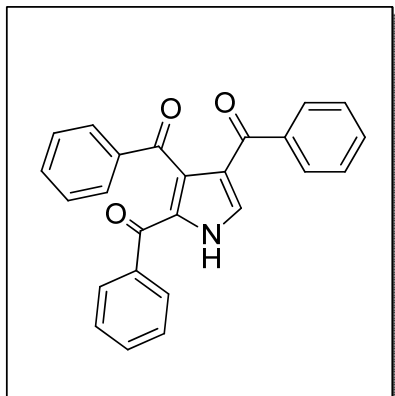


3r, (4-Phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2,3-diyl)bis(phenylmethanone). White solid. m.p. 150–152 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 Hz) δ 7.15 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 4H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.24–7.29 (m, 3H), 7.33 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 3.5 Hz, 4H), 7.39–7.43 (m, 4H), 9.70 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 Hz), δ 122.1, 126.9, 127.9, 128.1, 128.2, 128.3, 128.4, 128.5, 129.7, 129.1, 131.0, 131.9, 132.6, 133.2, 138.6, 139.1, 186.7, 194.0. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₂₄H₁₇NNaO₂⁺ ([M+Na]⁺) 374.1151, Found 374.1157.

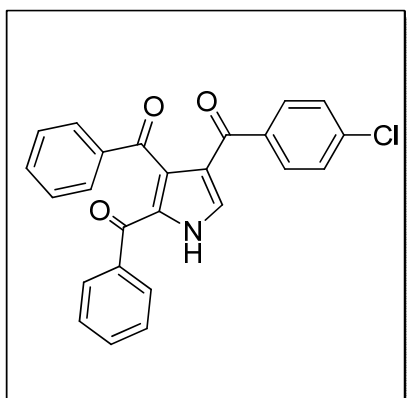


3s, (4-(Methylbenzoyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-2,3-diyl)bis(phenylmethanone). White solid. m.p. 162–164 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 Hz) δ 2.37 (s, 3H), 7.10 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.17 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 4H), 7.29–7.35 (m, 2H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 11.03 (s,

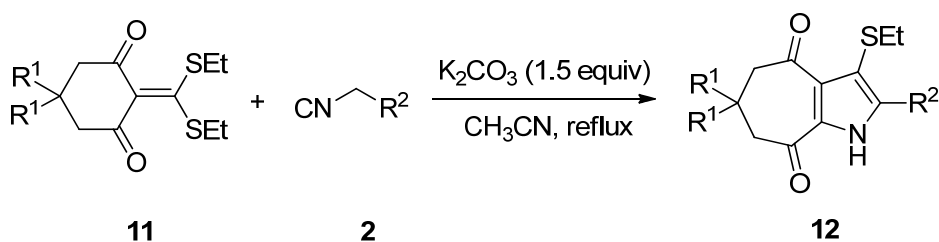
1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 Hz), δ 21.5, 126.2, 128.0, 128.0, 128.5, 128.7, 128.9, 129.0, 129.3, 130.7, 131.2, 132.2, 132.6, 135.4, 137.5, 138.1, 143.1, 186.8, 189.0, 193.1. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_3^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 394.1438, Found 394.1430.



3t, (1H-pyrrole-2,3,4-triyl)tris(phenylmethanone). White solid. m.p. 126–128 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 Hz) δ 7.11 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.19 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31–7.36 (m, 4H), 7.38–7.45 (m, 3H), 7.51 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 7.74 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 10.86 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR ($\text{DMSO}-d_6$, 125 Hz), δ 126.2, 128.1, 128.4, 128.5, 128.8, 128.9, 129.1, 130.7, 131.2, 132.3, 132.4, 132.8, 137.5, 138.0, 138.1, 187.0, 189.3, 192.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_3^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 380.1281, Found 380.1298.

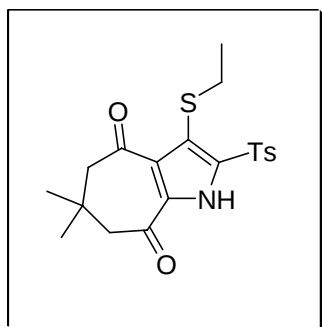


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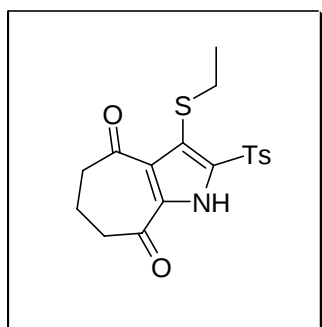


General procedure for the synthesis of 6 (taking 6a as an example): To the mixture of **5a** (272.0 mg, 1.0 mmol) and tosylmethyl isocyanide **2a** (215 mg, 1.1 mmol) in CH_3CN (10 mL) was added K_2CO_3 (207 mg, 1.5 mmol) in one portion at room temperature. The reaction mixture was then heated to reflux under stirring, and the reaction mixture was monitored by TLC. After the substrate **5a** was consumed, the

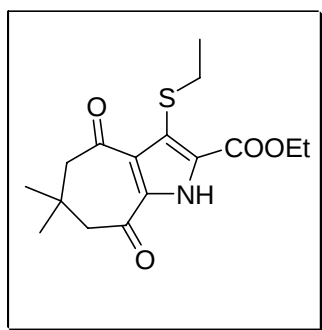
resulting mixture was poured into brine ice (30 mL) under stirring and neutralized with diluted hydrochloric acid, extracted with EtOAc (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether: EtOAc = 6:1) gave **6a** (332 mg, 82%).



6a, 3-(Ethylthio)-6,7-dihydro-6,6-dimethyl-2-tosylcyclohepta[*b*]pyrrole-4,8(*1H,5H*)-dione. yellowish solid, m.p. 139–141 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 Hz) δ 1.01 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 1.13 (s, 6H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.77 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.86 (s, 2H), 2.88 (s, 2H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 10.2 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 Hz), δ 13.8, 21.6, 29.0, 30.4, 31.5, 56.3, 58.4, 120.3, 128.4, 128.6, 129.6, 132.2, 136.6, 137.0, 145.3, 189.9, 193.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for C₂₀H₂₂NO₄S₂[−] ([M-H][−]) 404.0996. Found 404.0994.

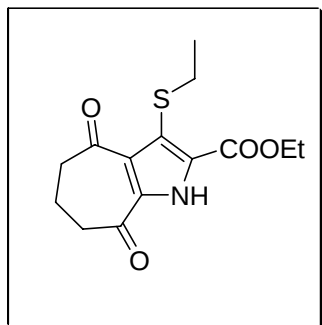


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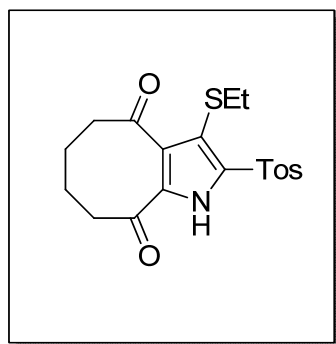


6c, Ethyl 3-(ethylthio)-1,4,5,6,7,8-hexahydri-6,6-dimethyl-4,8-dioxocycloheptal[*b*]pyrrole-2-carb-oxyate. Yellowish solid, m.p. 98–100 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 Hz) δ 1.15 (s, 6H), 1.20 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 1.41 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 2.88 (s, 2H), 2.92 (s, 2H), 2.97 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 4.42 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 10.0 (s,

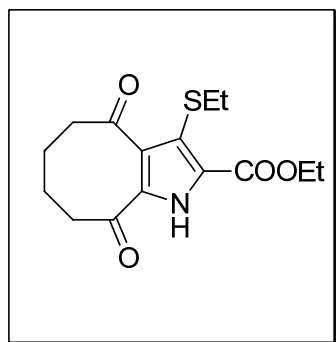
1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 Hz), δ 14.3, 14.4, 29.1, 30.1, 31.7, 56.5, 58.5, 61.7, 124.6, 127.4, 128.5, 128.5, 131.9, 159.1, 190.1, 193.9. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_4\text{S}^-$ ($[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$) 322.1119. Found 322.1090.



6d, Ethyl 3-(ethylthio)-1,4,5,6,7,8-hexahydro-4,8-dioxocycloheptal[b]pyrrole-2-carboxylate. Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 Hz) δ 1.18 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 1.42 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 2.13 (m, 2H), 2.88 (m, 2H), 2.93 (m, 2H), 2.97 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 4.43 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 10.2 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 Hz), δ 14.2, 14.2, 18.6, 30.1, 41.8, 44.3, 61.6, 124.7, 127.8, 127.8, 131.4, 159.0, 191.4, 195.3. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_4\text{S}^-$ ($[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$) 294.0806. Found 294.0801.



6e, 3-(Ethylthio)-2-tosyl-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1H-cycloocta[b]pyrrole-4,9-dione. White solid. m.p. 181–183 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 Hz) δ 1.11 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 1.88 (br, 4H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.66 (br, 4H), 2.79 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.98 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 10.2 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 Hz), δ 14.2, 21.5, 21.7, 25.2, 32.2, 37.7, 43.4, 117.7, 128.5, 129.7, 131.1, 133.2, 136.7, 137.2, 145.4, 190.7, 202.6. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_4\text{S}_2^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 392.0985. Found 392.0993.



6f, Ethyl 3-(ethylthio)-4,9-dioxo-4,5,6,7,8,9-hexahydro-1H-cycloocta[b]pyrrole-2-carboxylate. Colorless oil. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 500 Hz) δ 1.18 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 1.42 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 1.89 (br, 4H), 2.68 (br, 4H), 2.88 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 4.42 (q, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 10.04 (s, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 125 Hz), δ 14.2, 14.6, 21.6, 25.4, 30.8, 37.6, 43.6, 61.6, 120.2, 128.2, 131.0, 133.1, 159.1, 190.8, 203.3. HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}_4\text{S}^+$ ($[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$) 310.1108. Found 310.1099.

III. Crystal data and ORTEP drawing of compound **6a**

6a: C₂₀H₂₃N₁O₄S₂, *M* = 405.51, monoclinic, space group P2₁/n, *a* = 15.619(2), *b* = 5.9270(8), *c* = 22.055(3) Å, *V* = 2003.3(5) Å³, α = 90.0 β = 101.129(2), γ = 90.00, *Z* = 4, *T* = 273(2) K, *F*₀₀₀ = 856, 9573 reflections collected, 2366 unique, *R*₁ = 0.0805, *wR*₂ = 0.1023 (*I* > 2σ(*I*)).

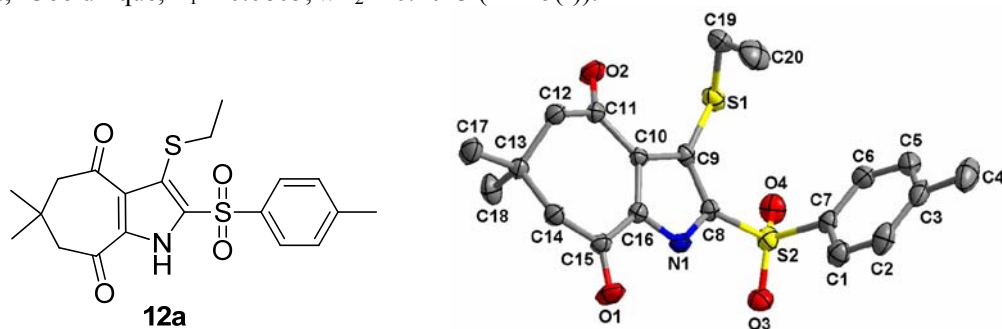
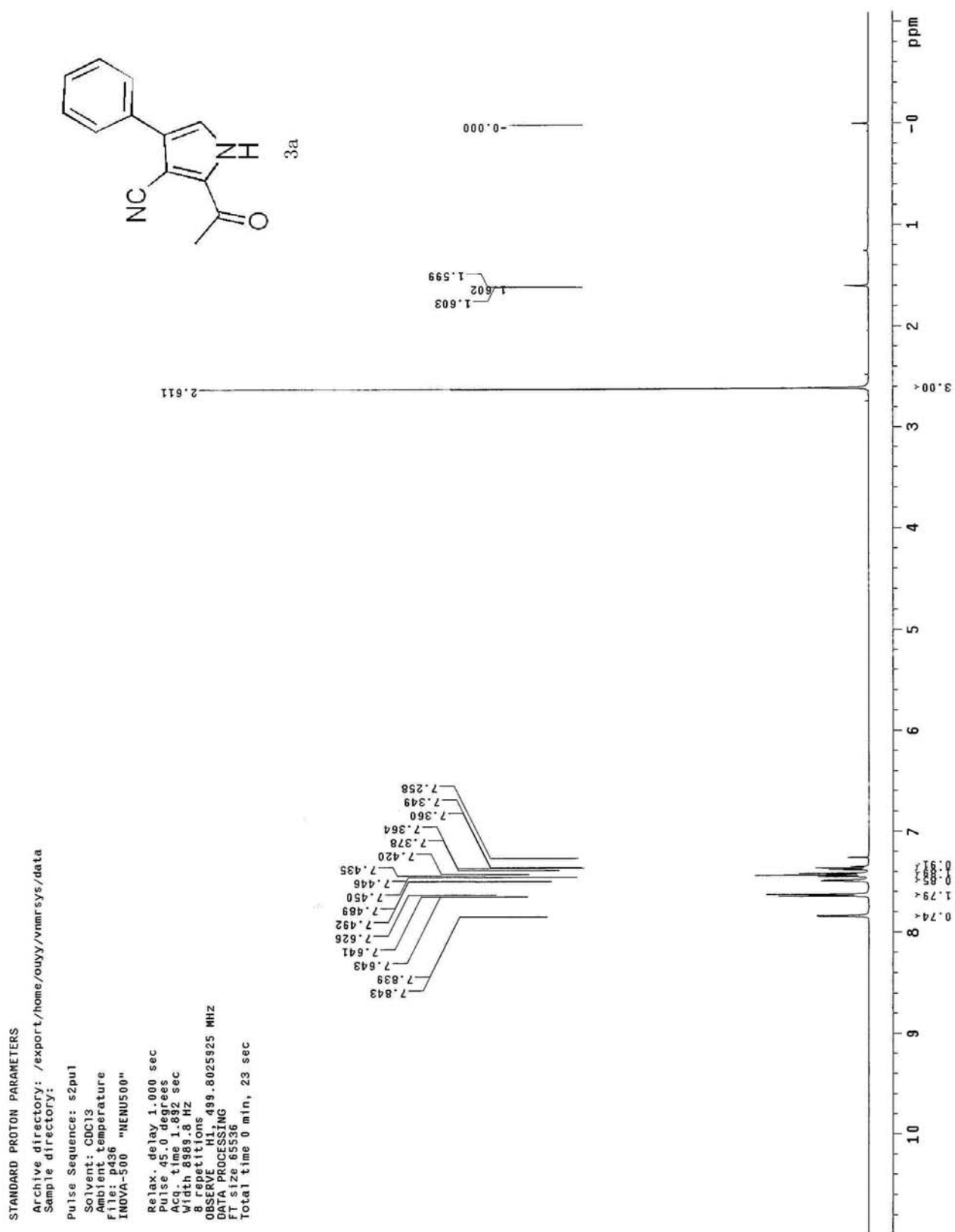
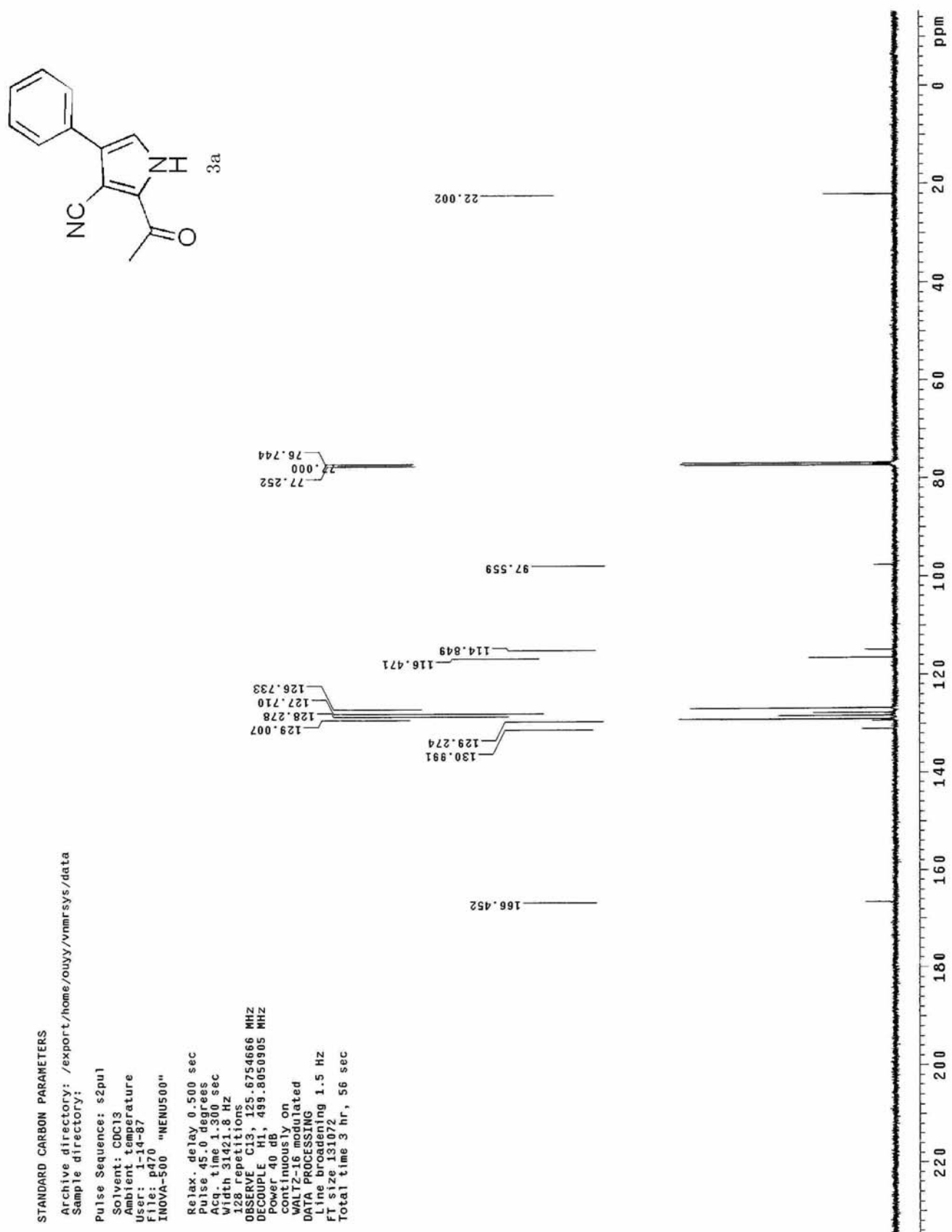


Fig 1. ORTEP diagram of **6a** (30% probability displacement ellipsoids and all hydrogen atoms are omitted).

VI. Copies of ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra of compounds **3** and **6**





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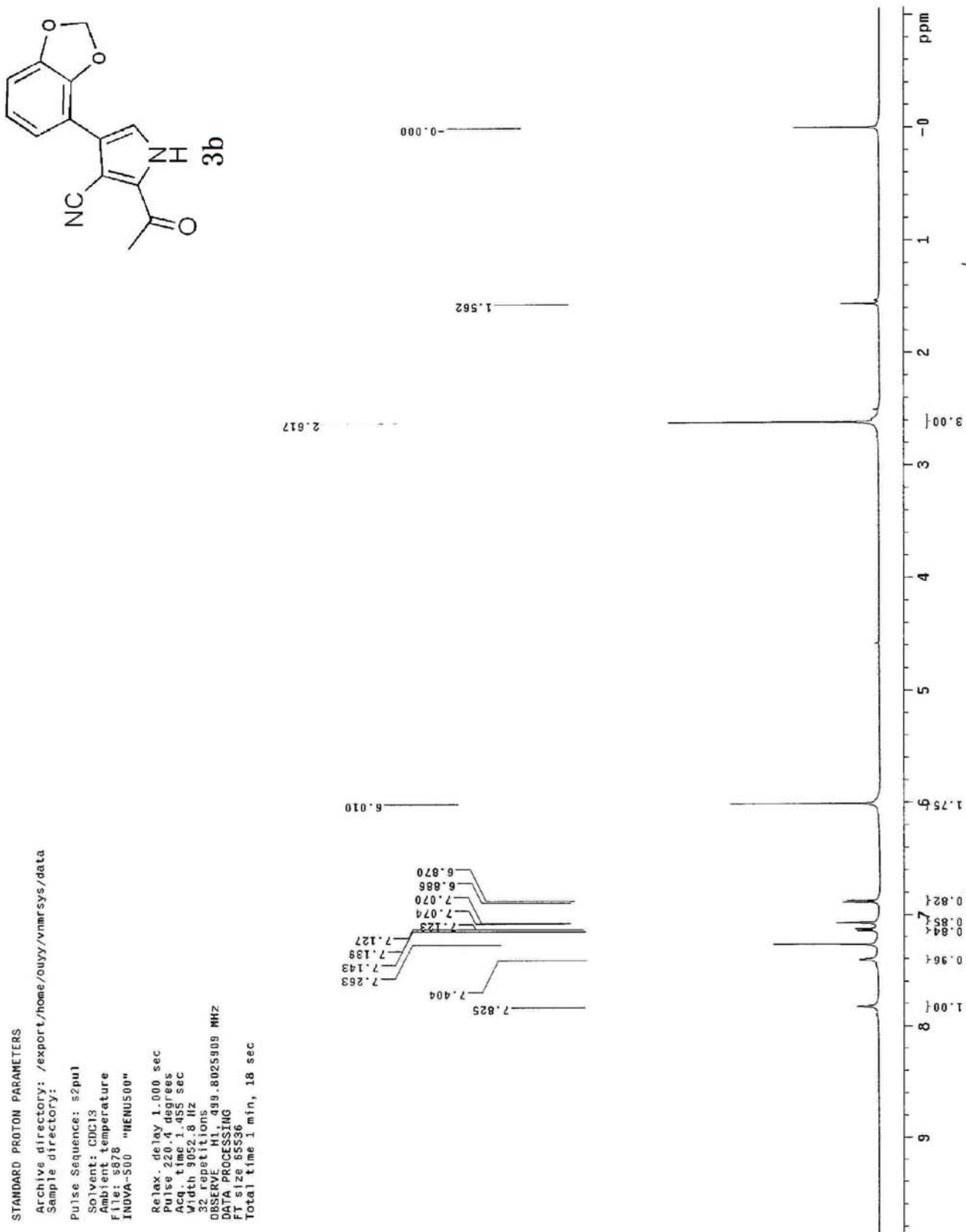
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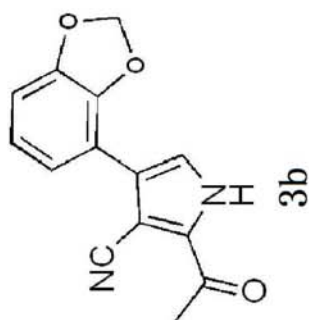
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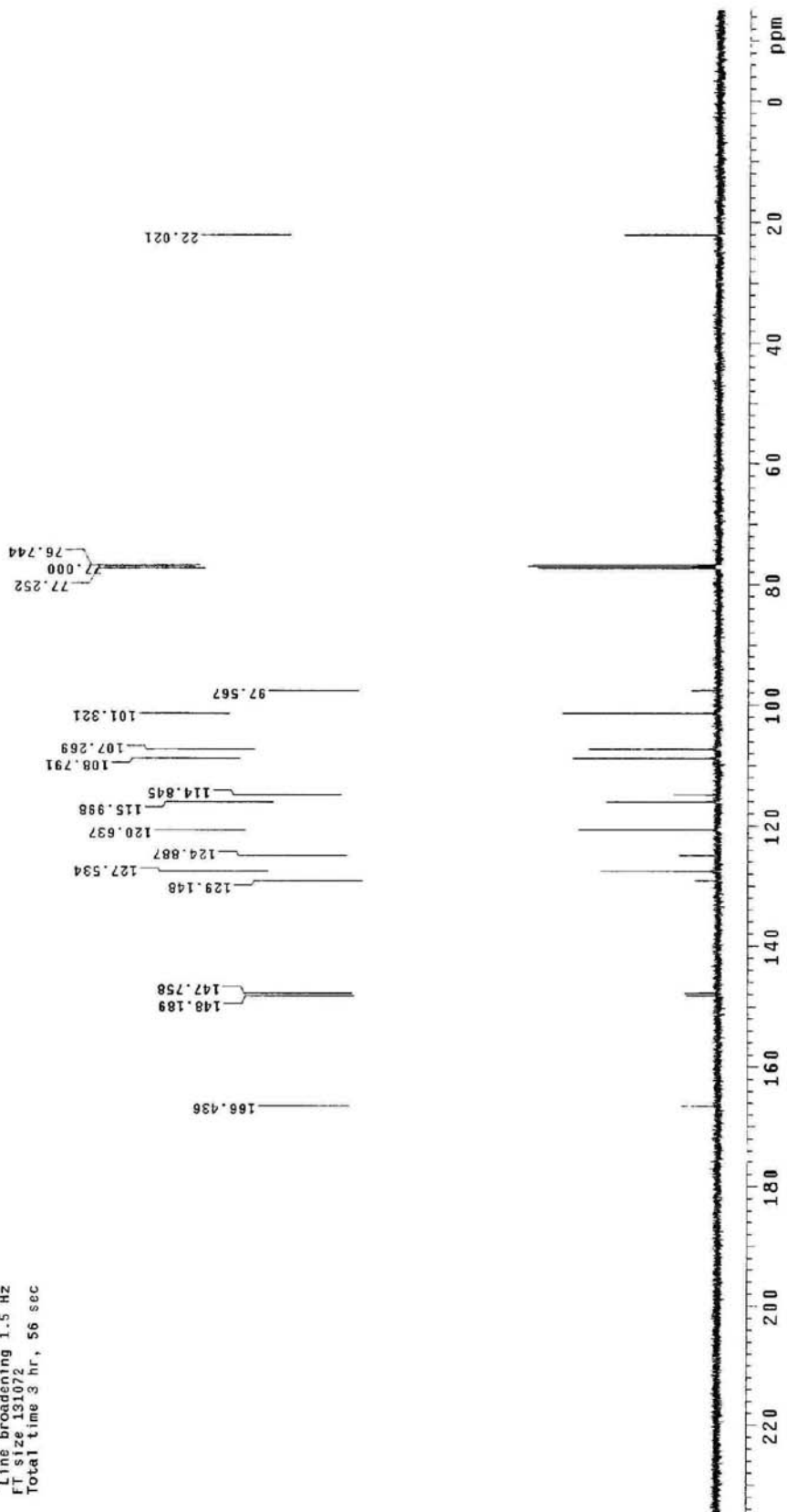
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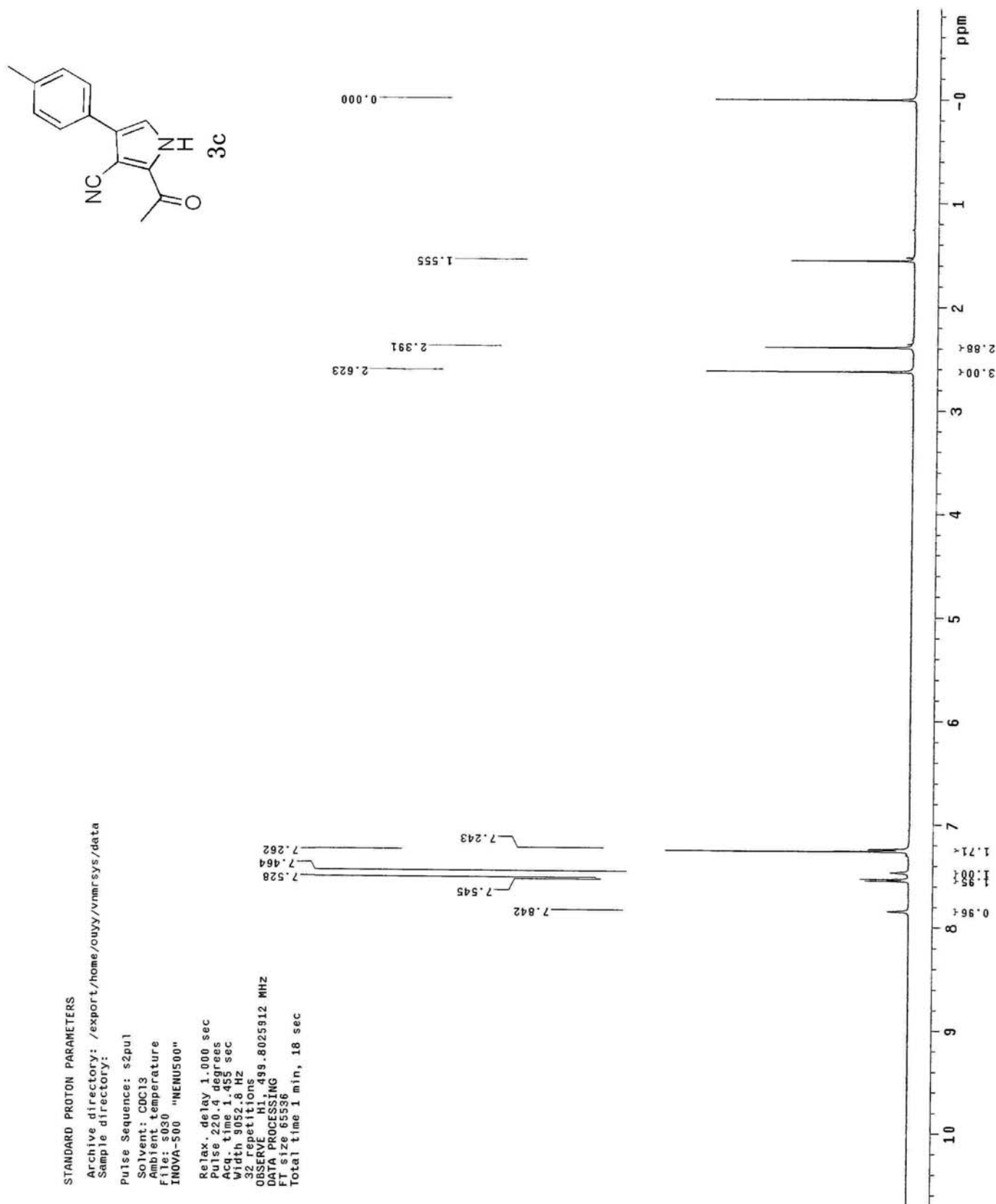
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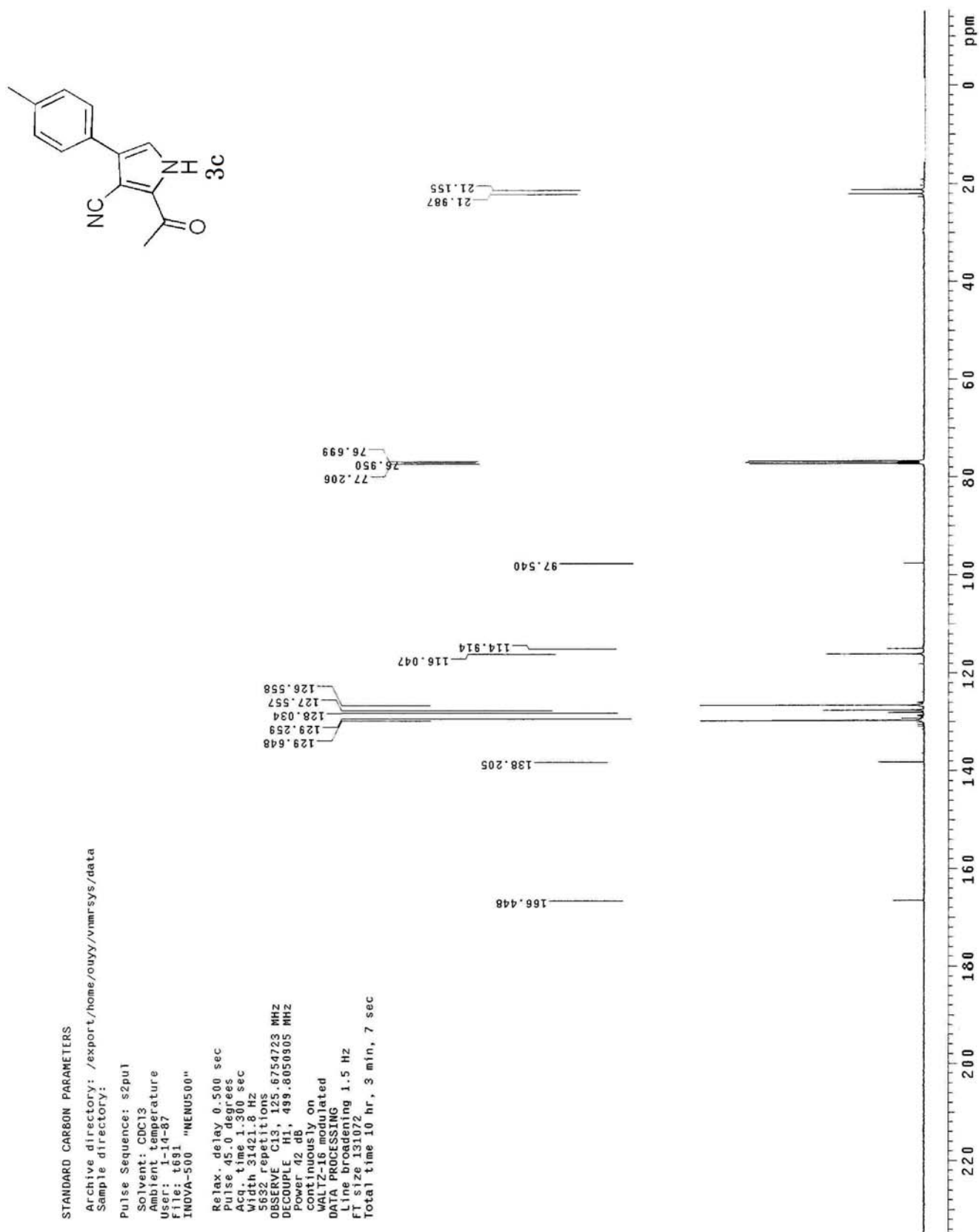
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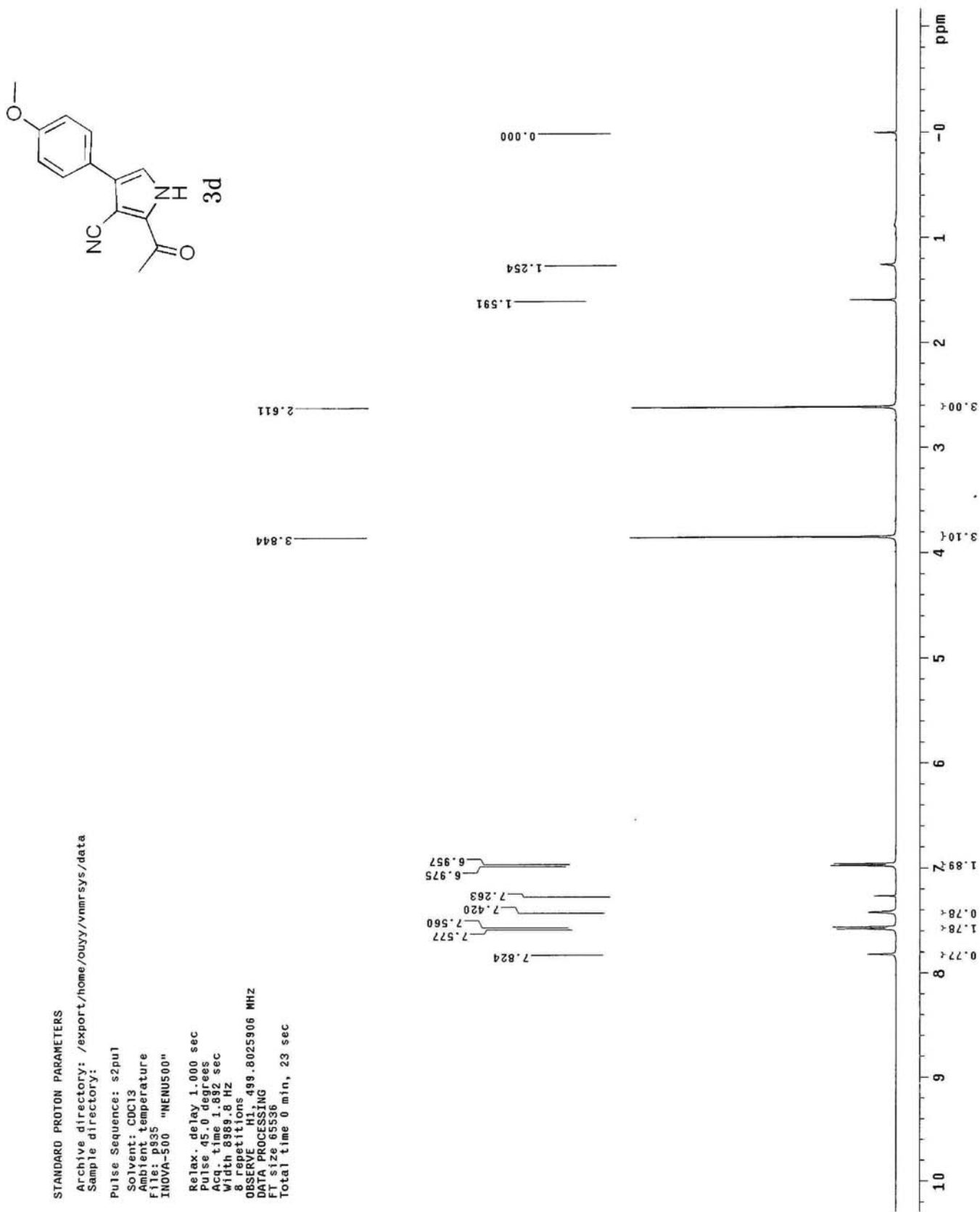
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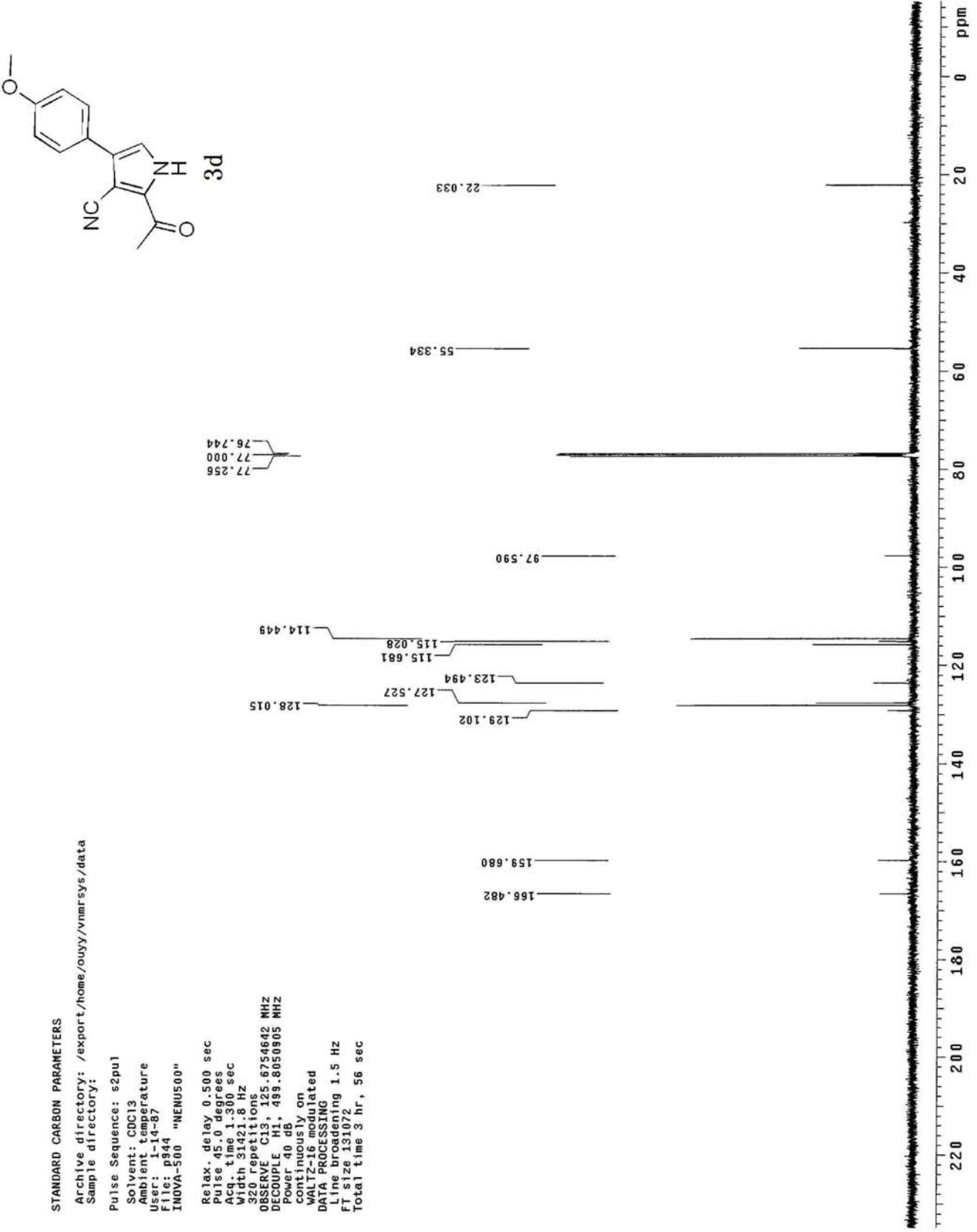
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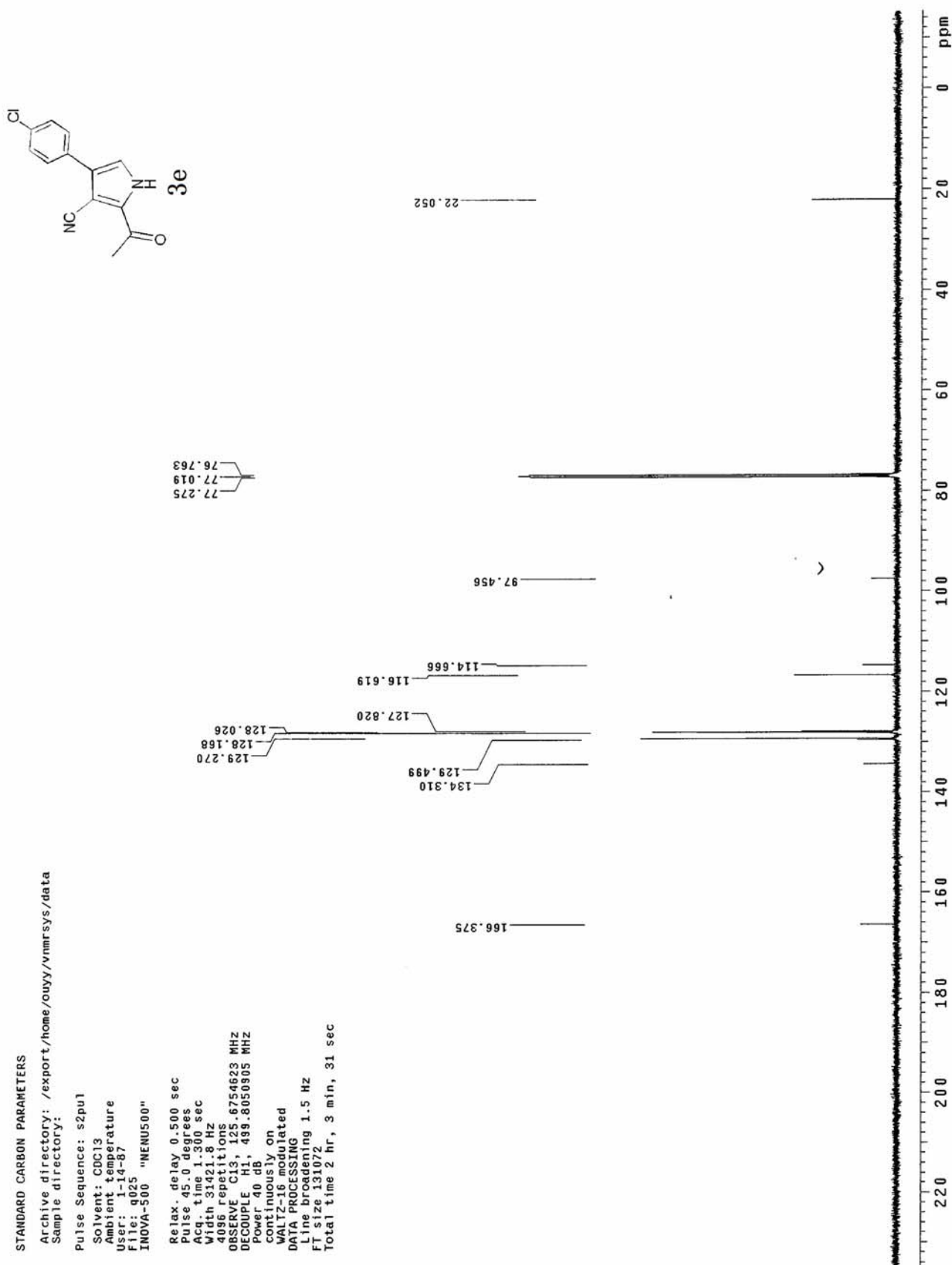


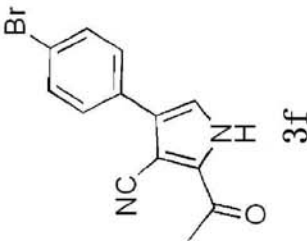




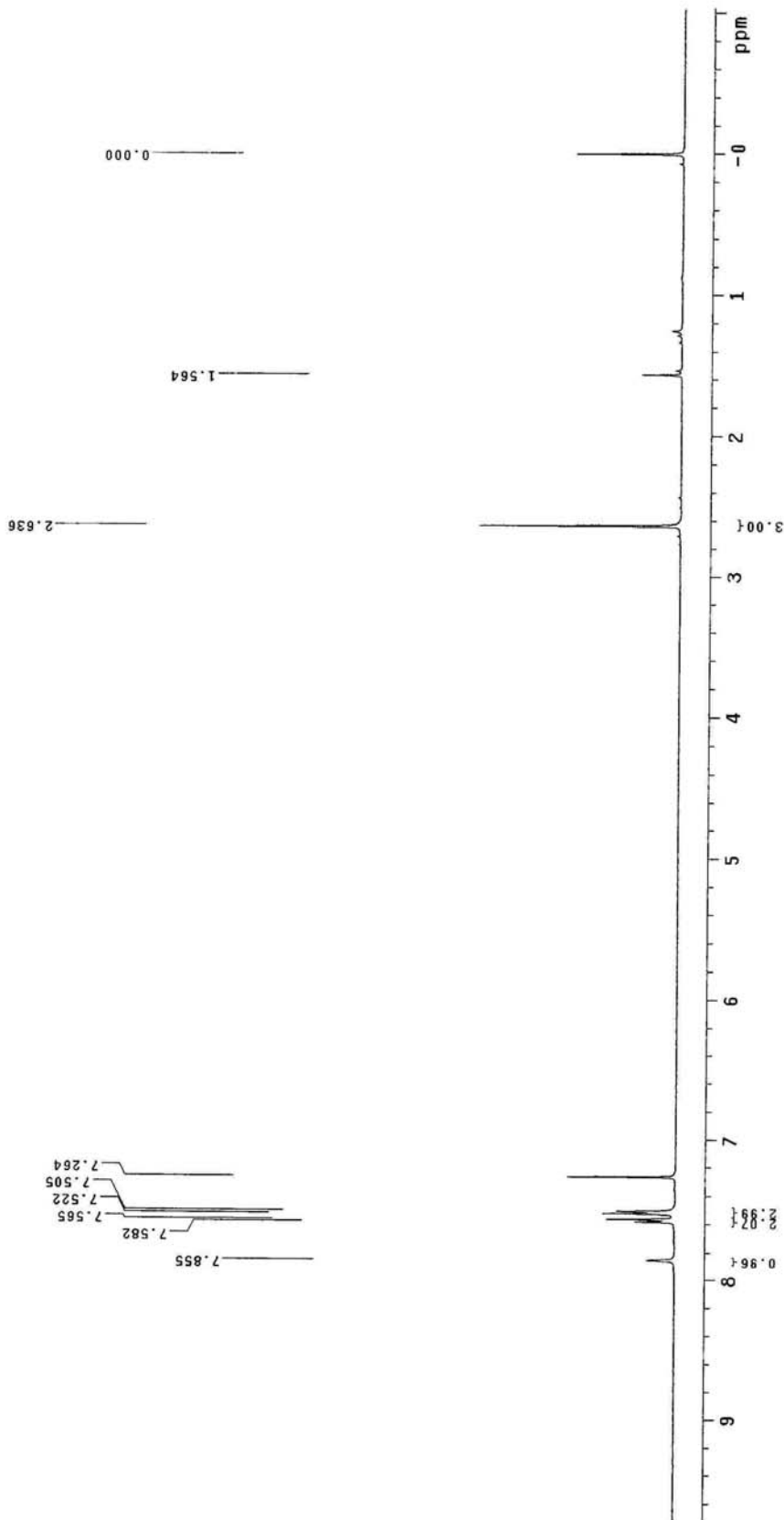


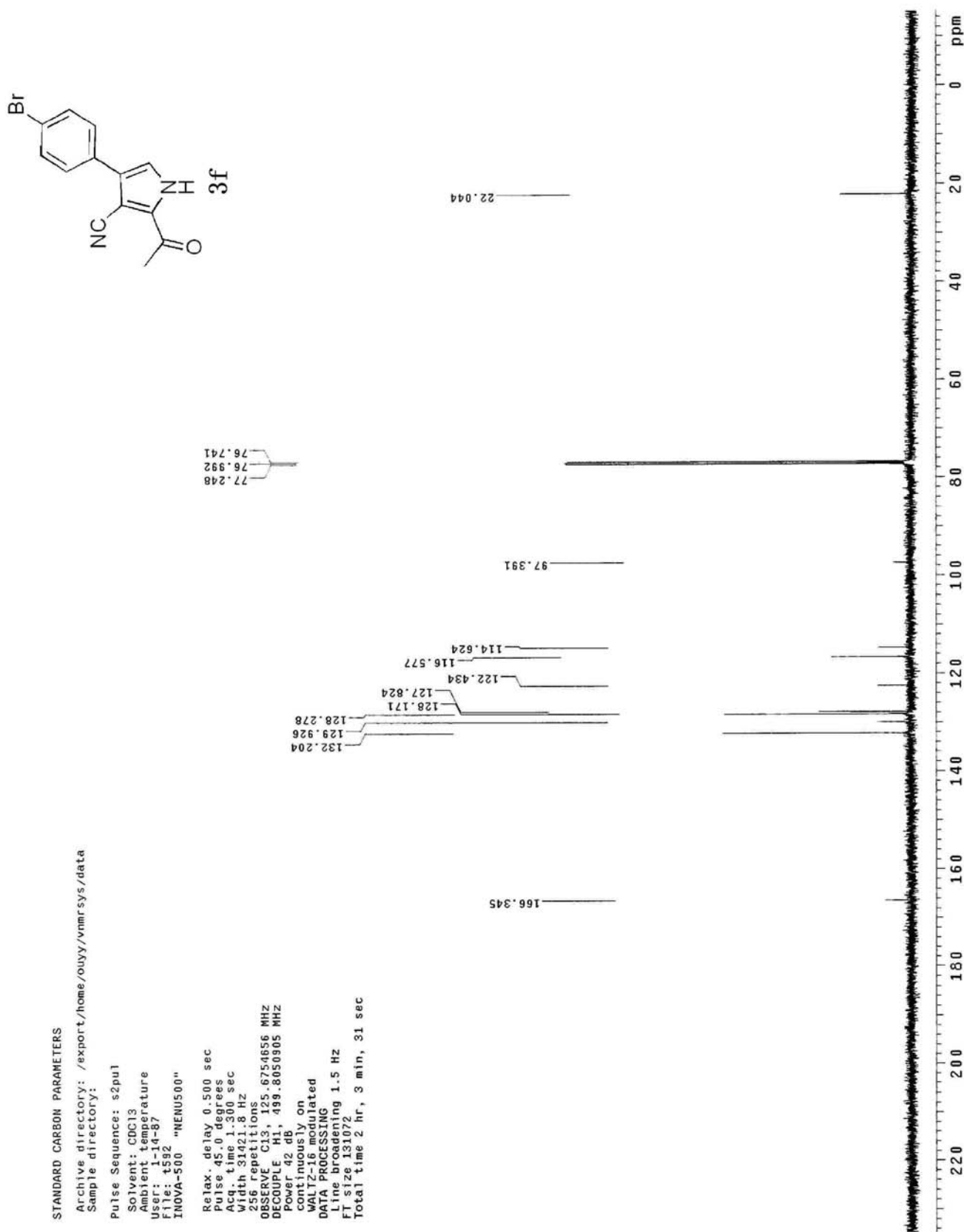


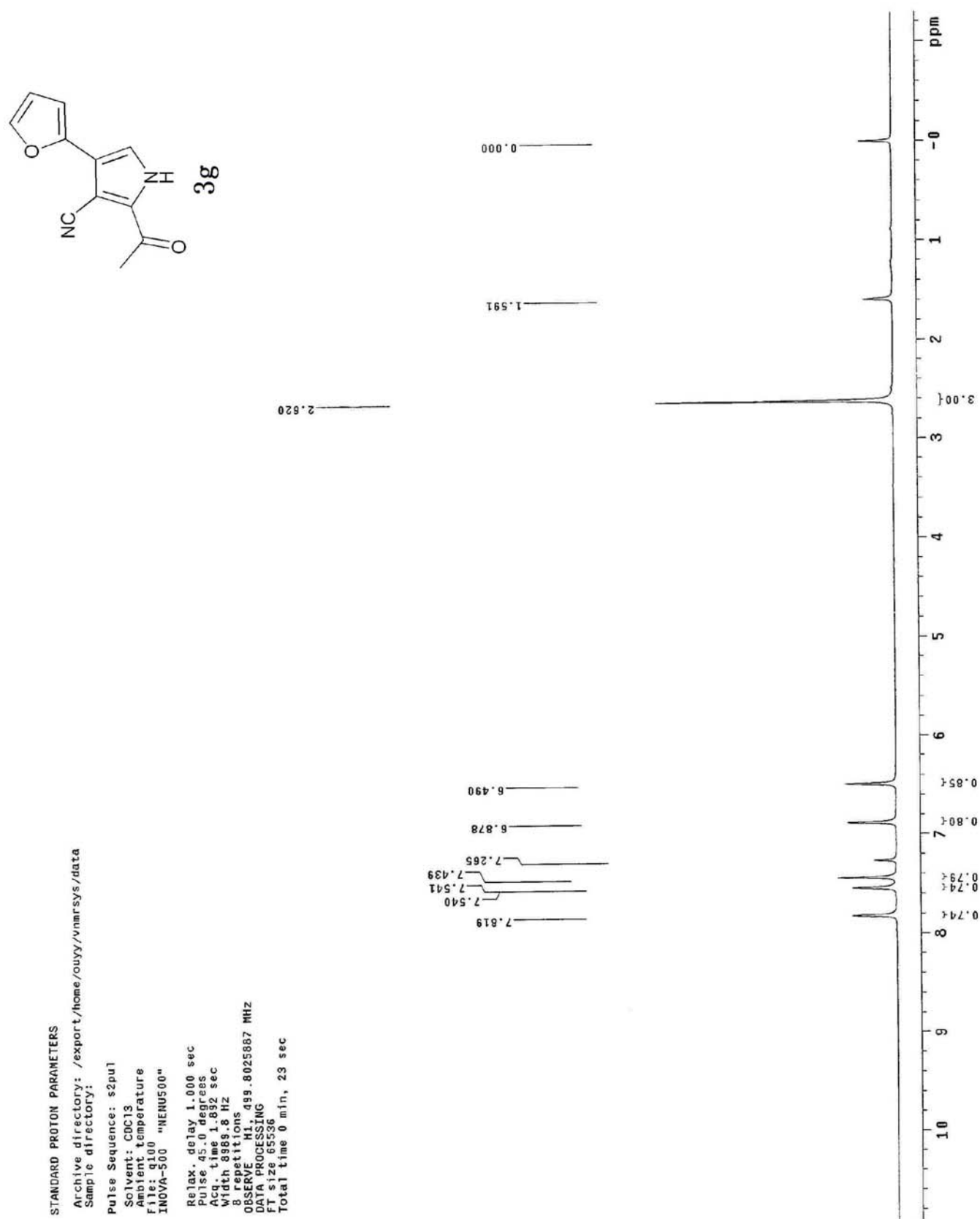


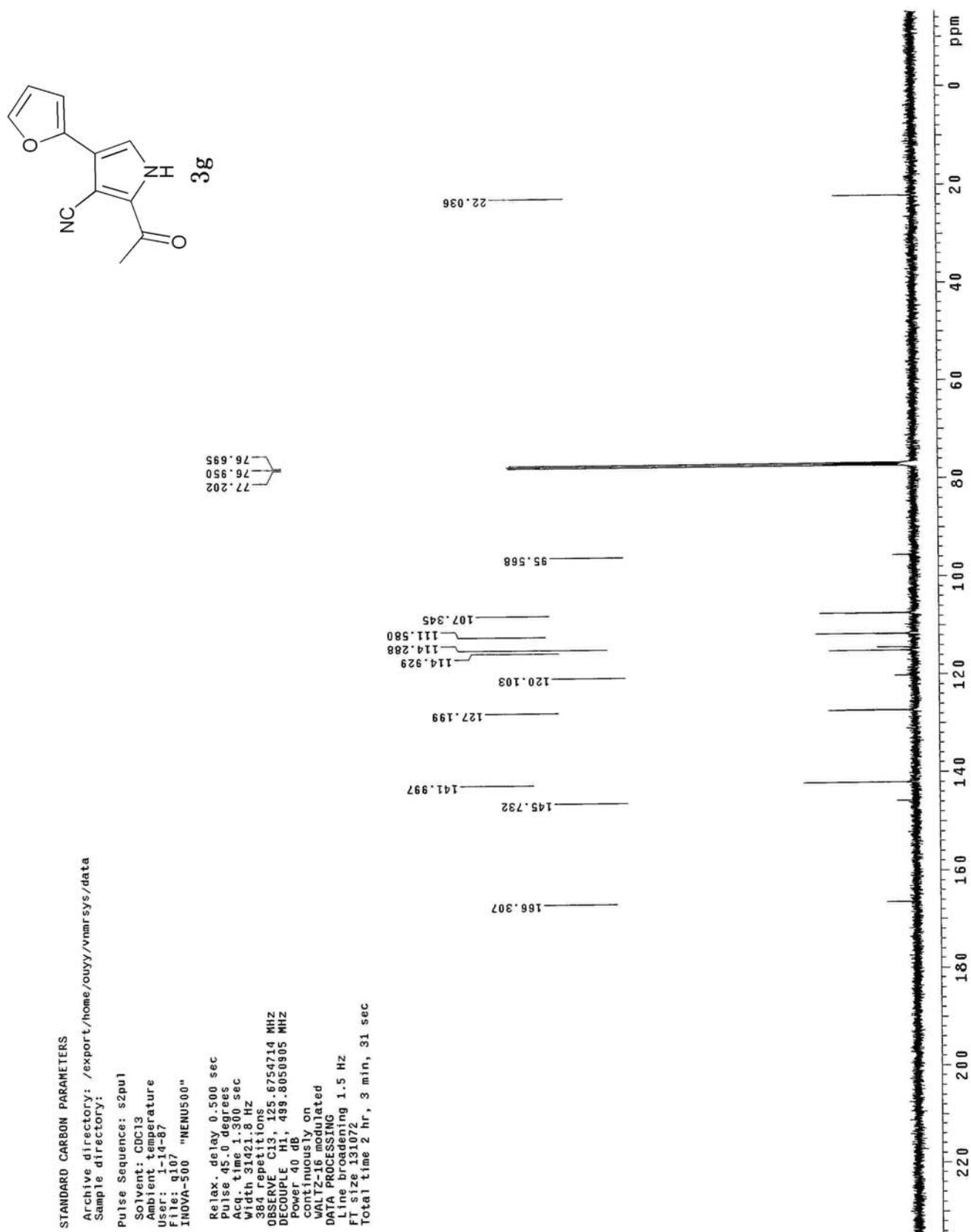


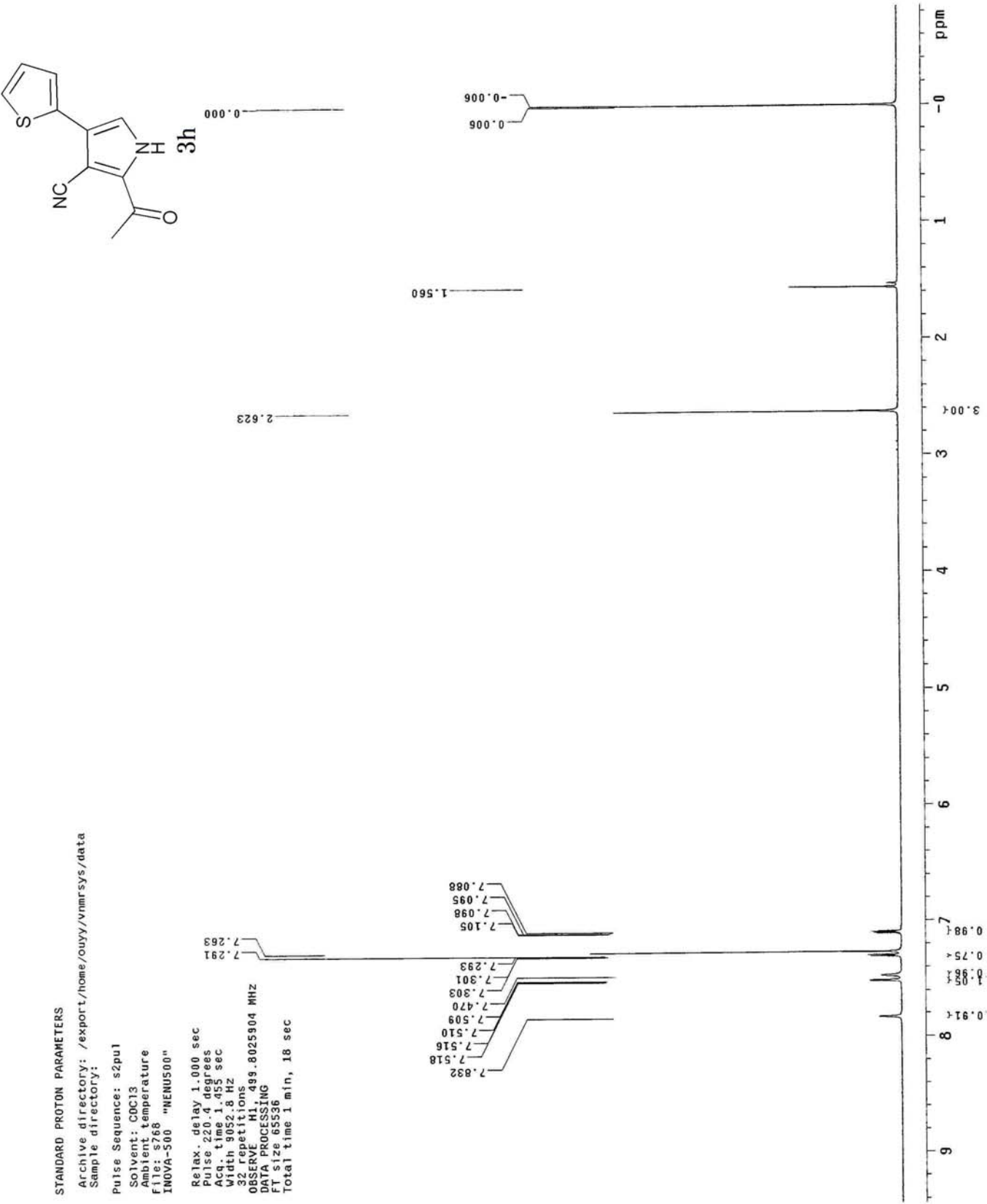
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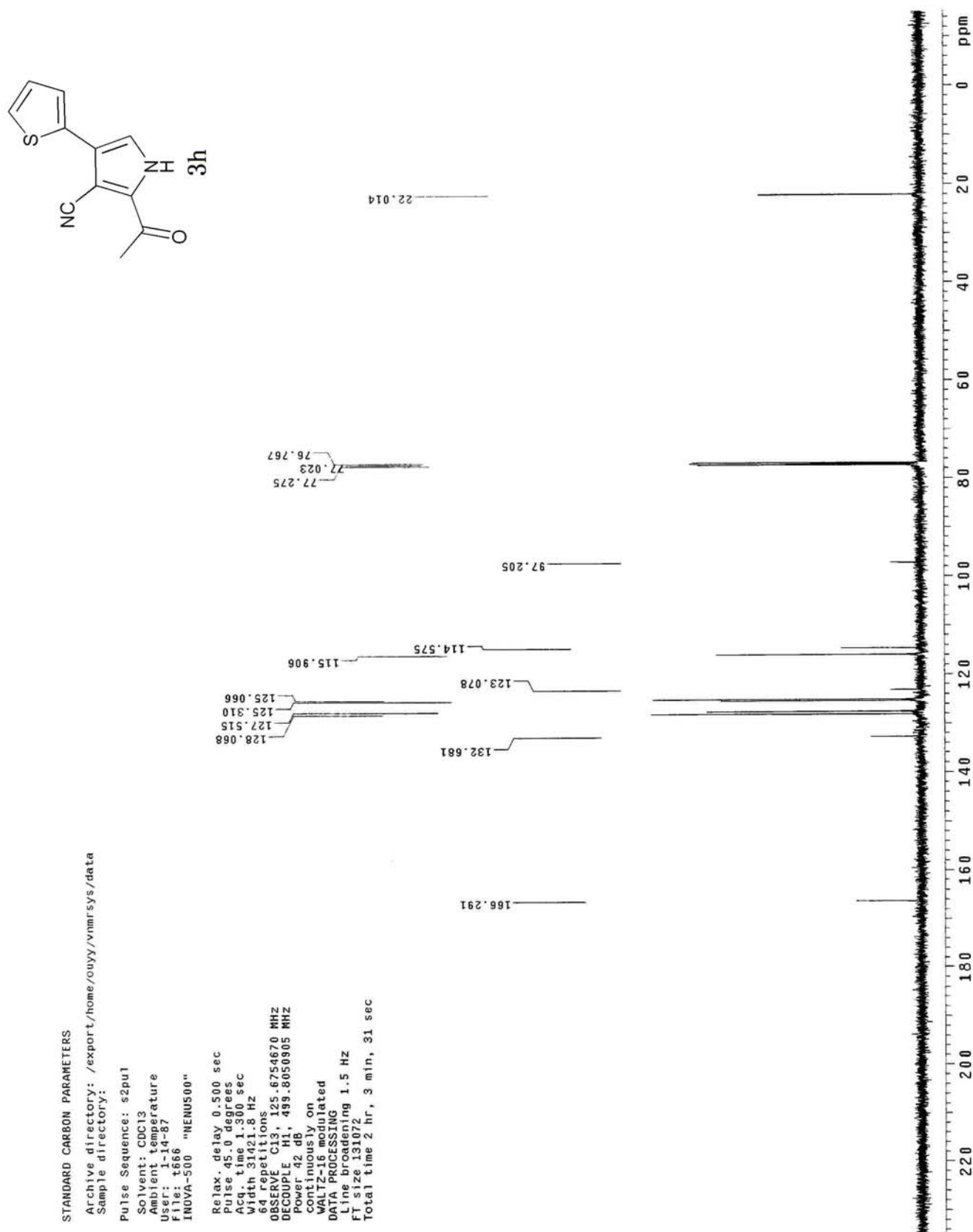


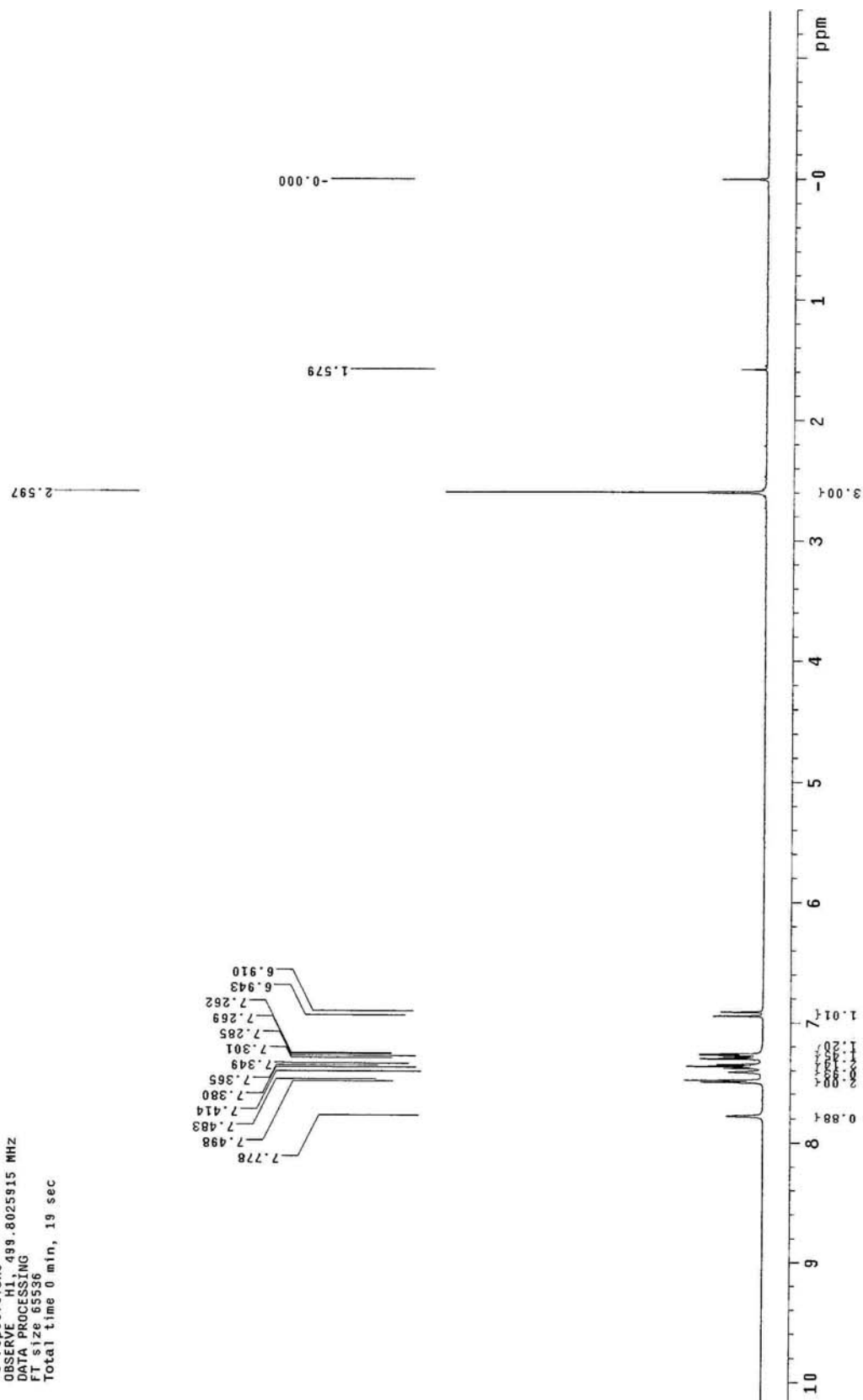
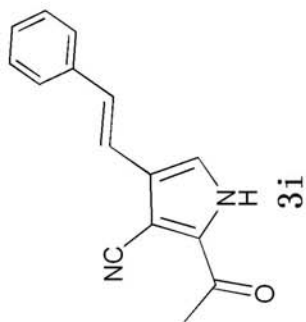


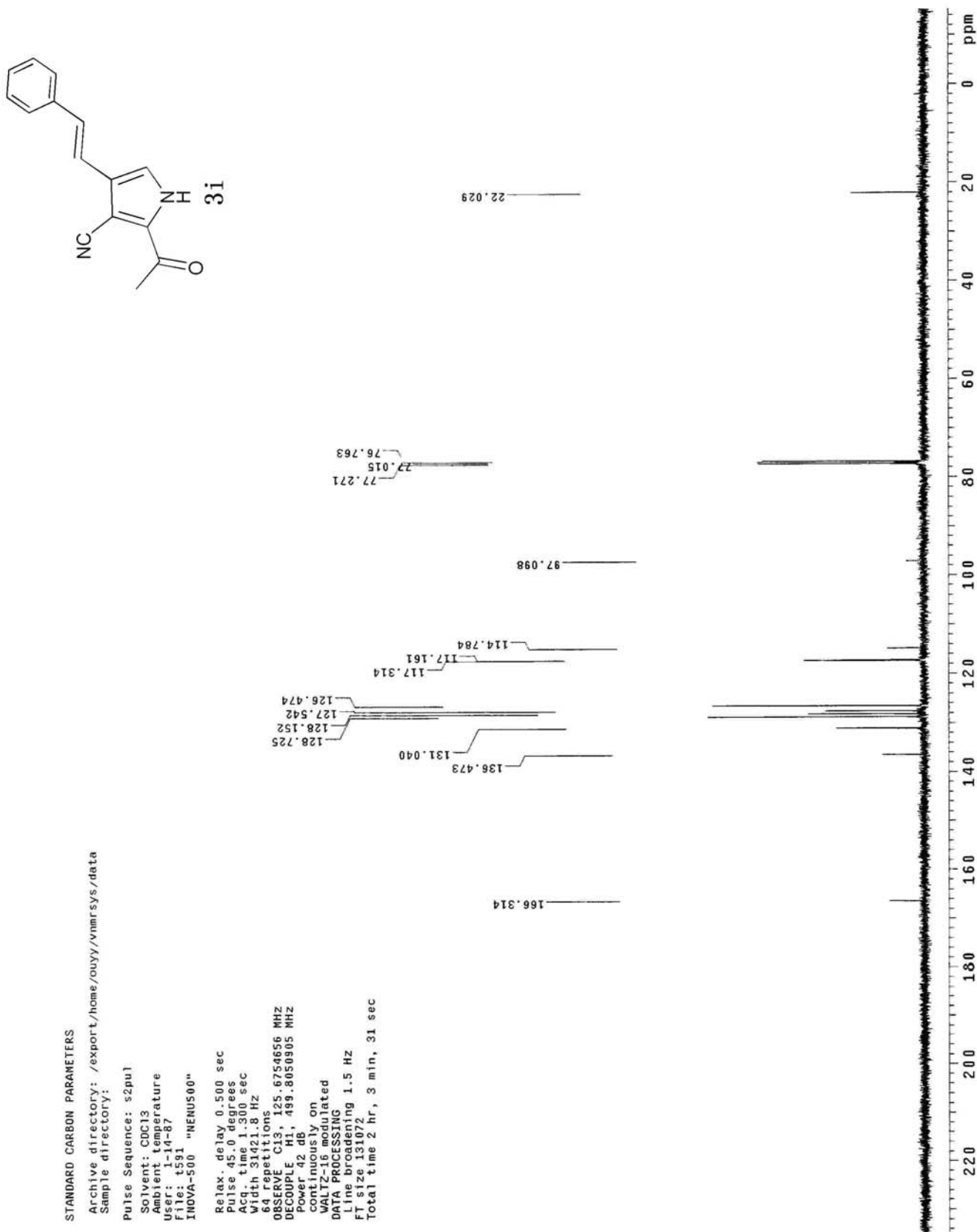


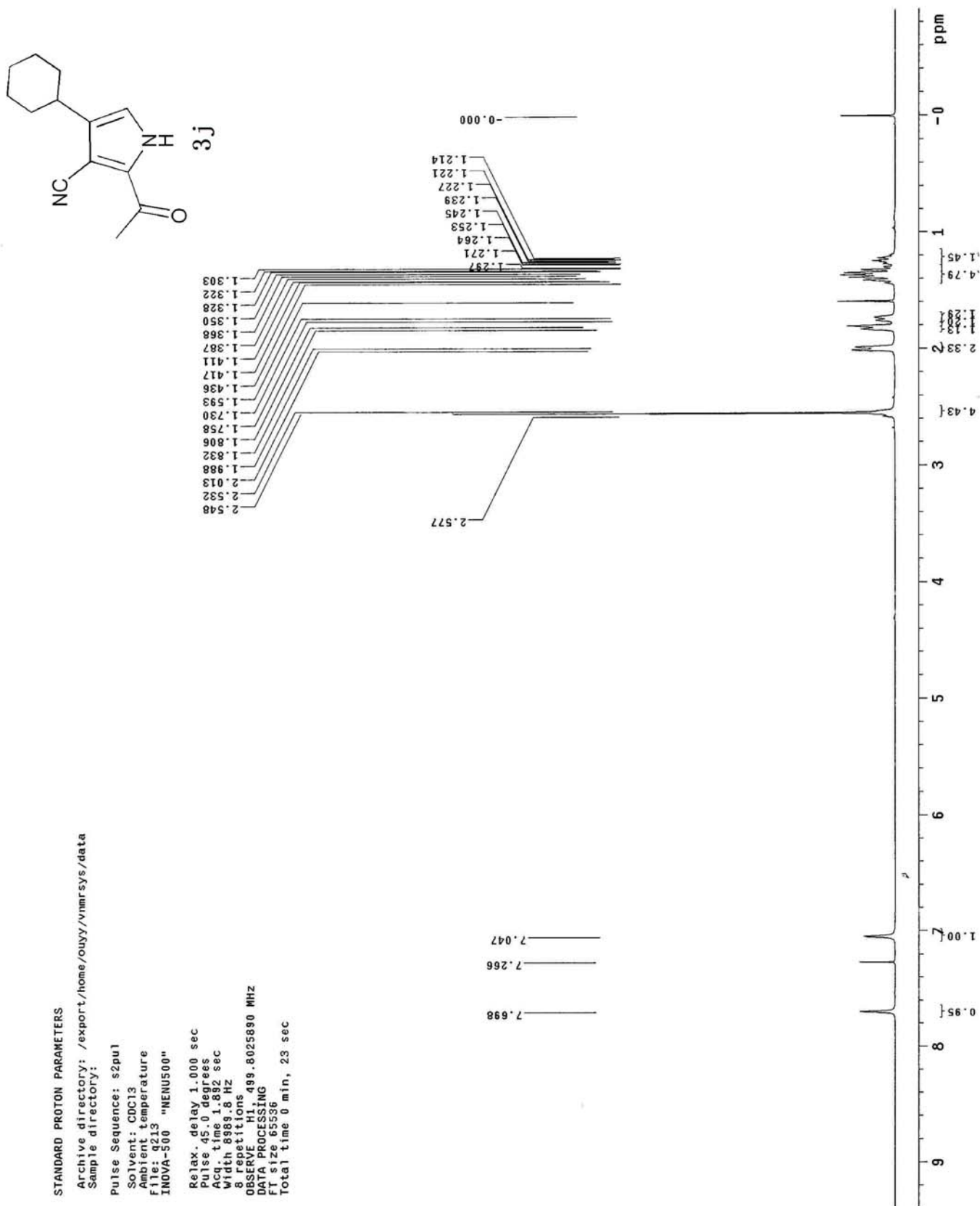


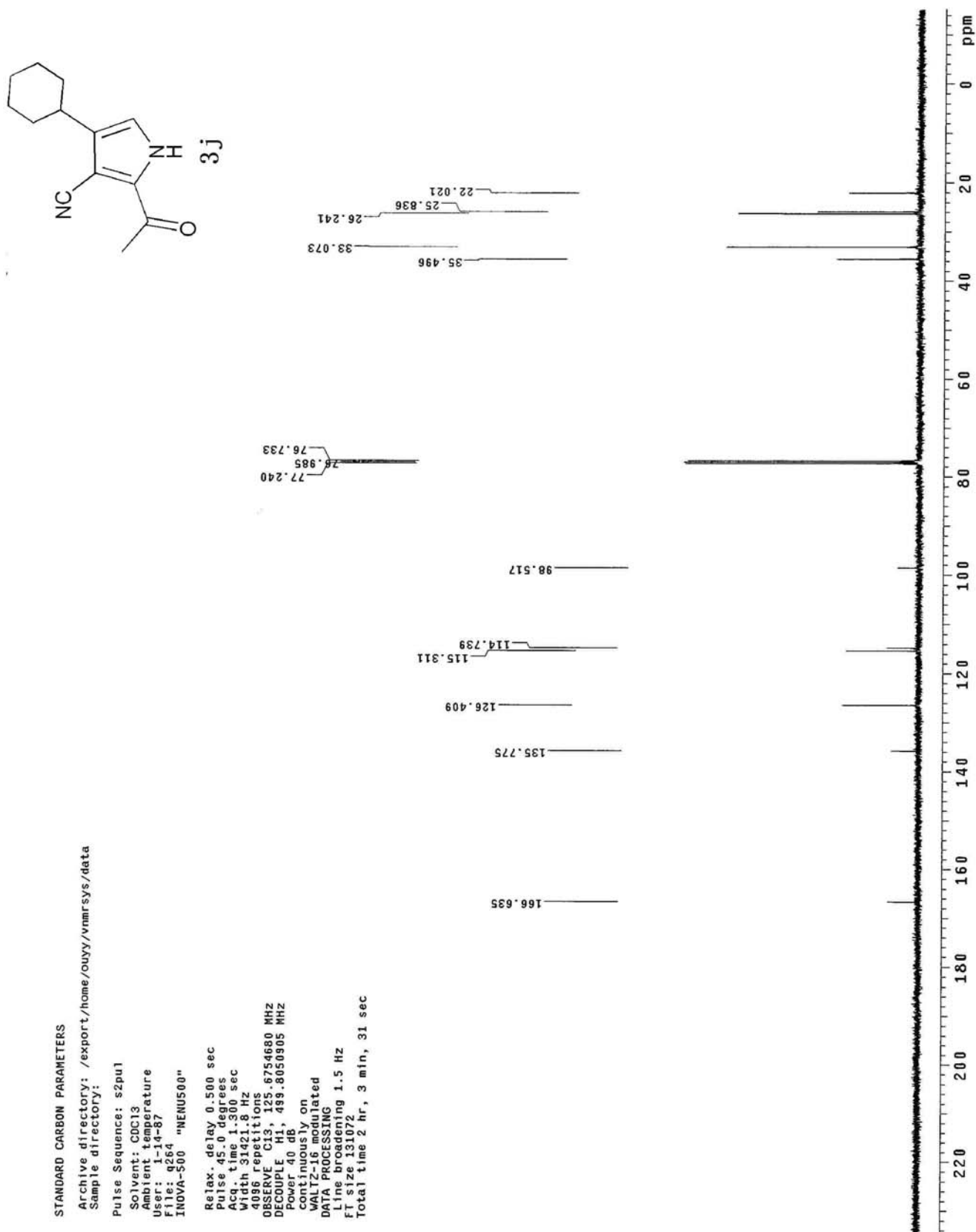


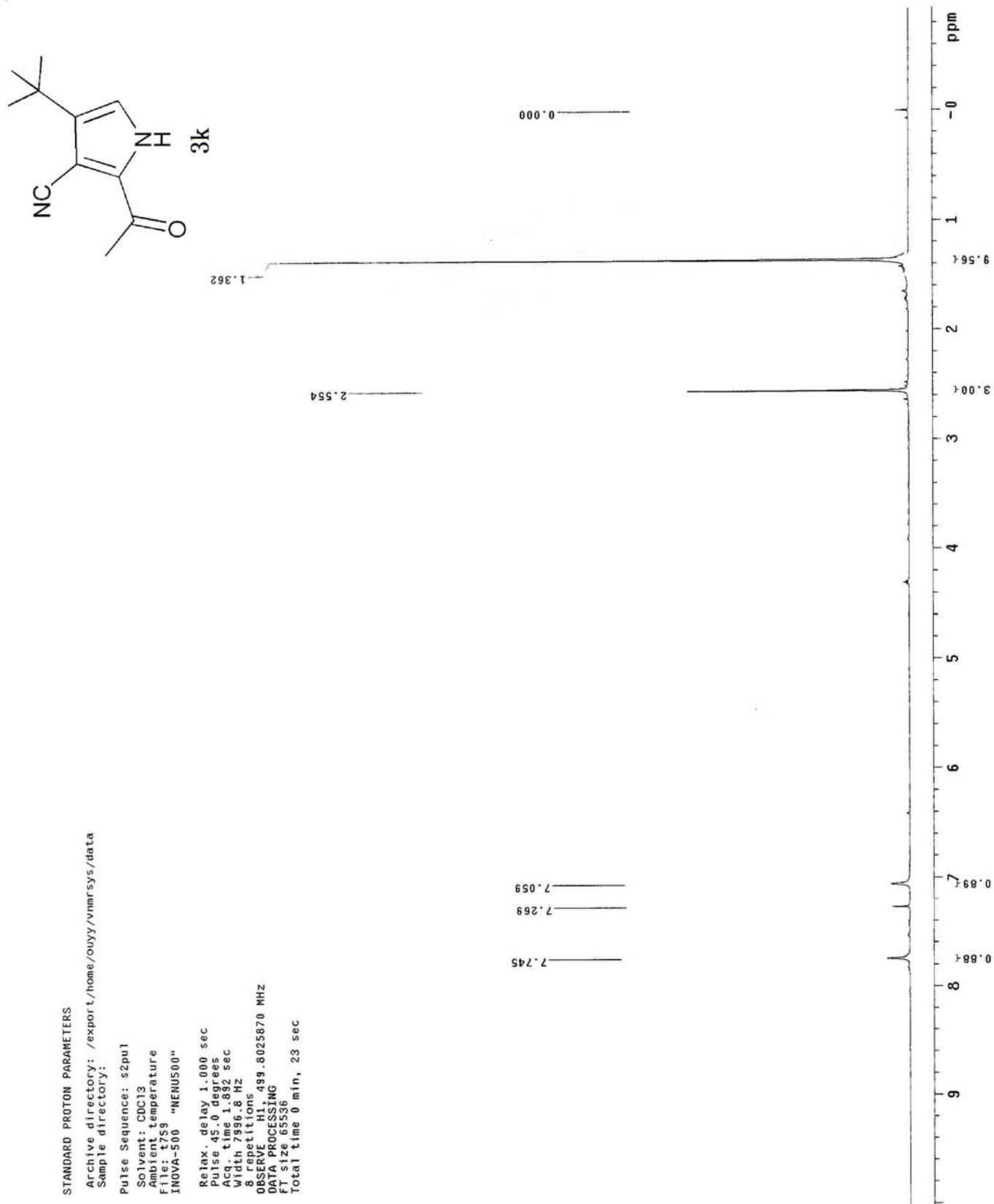


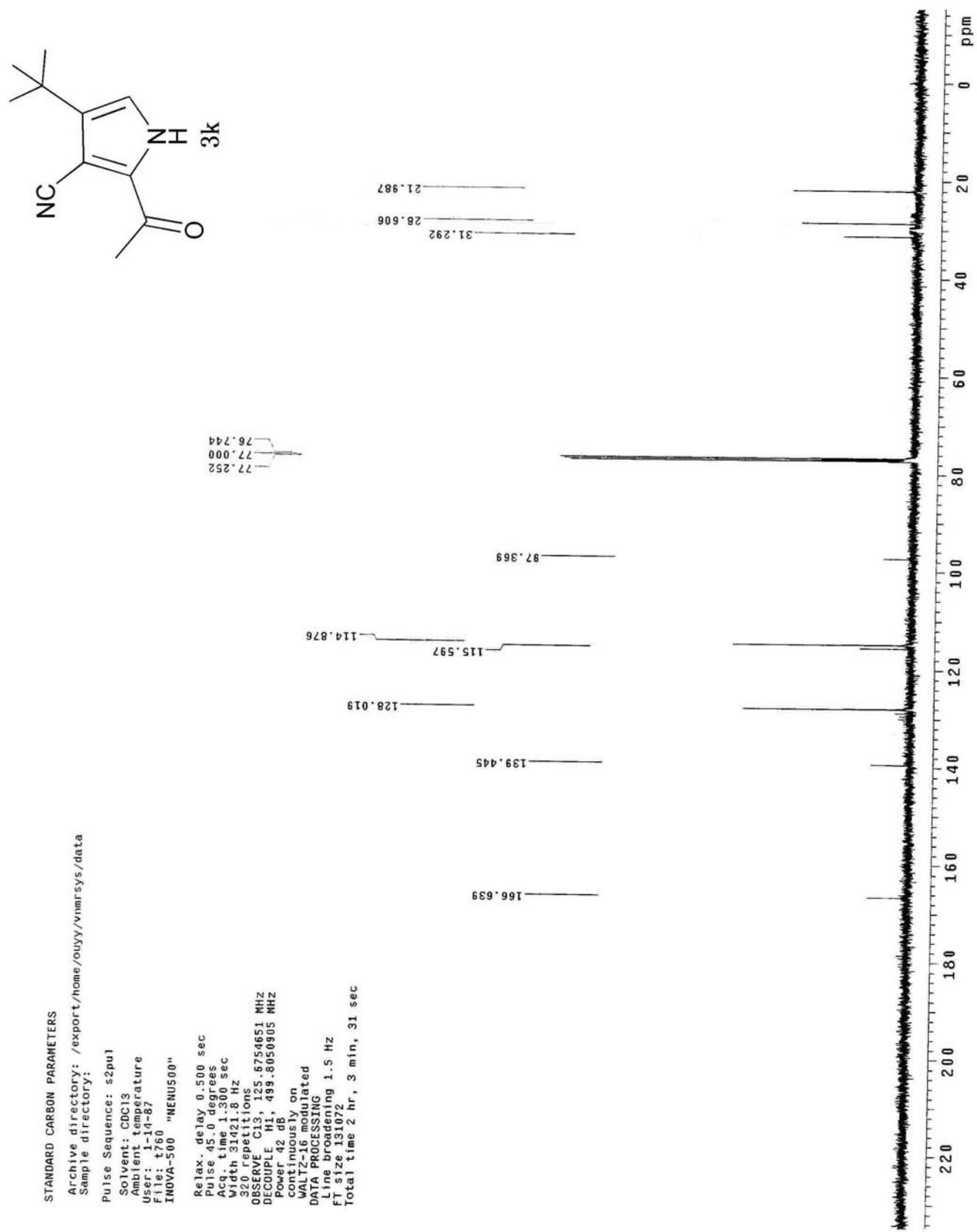


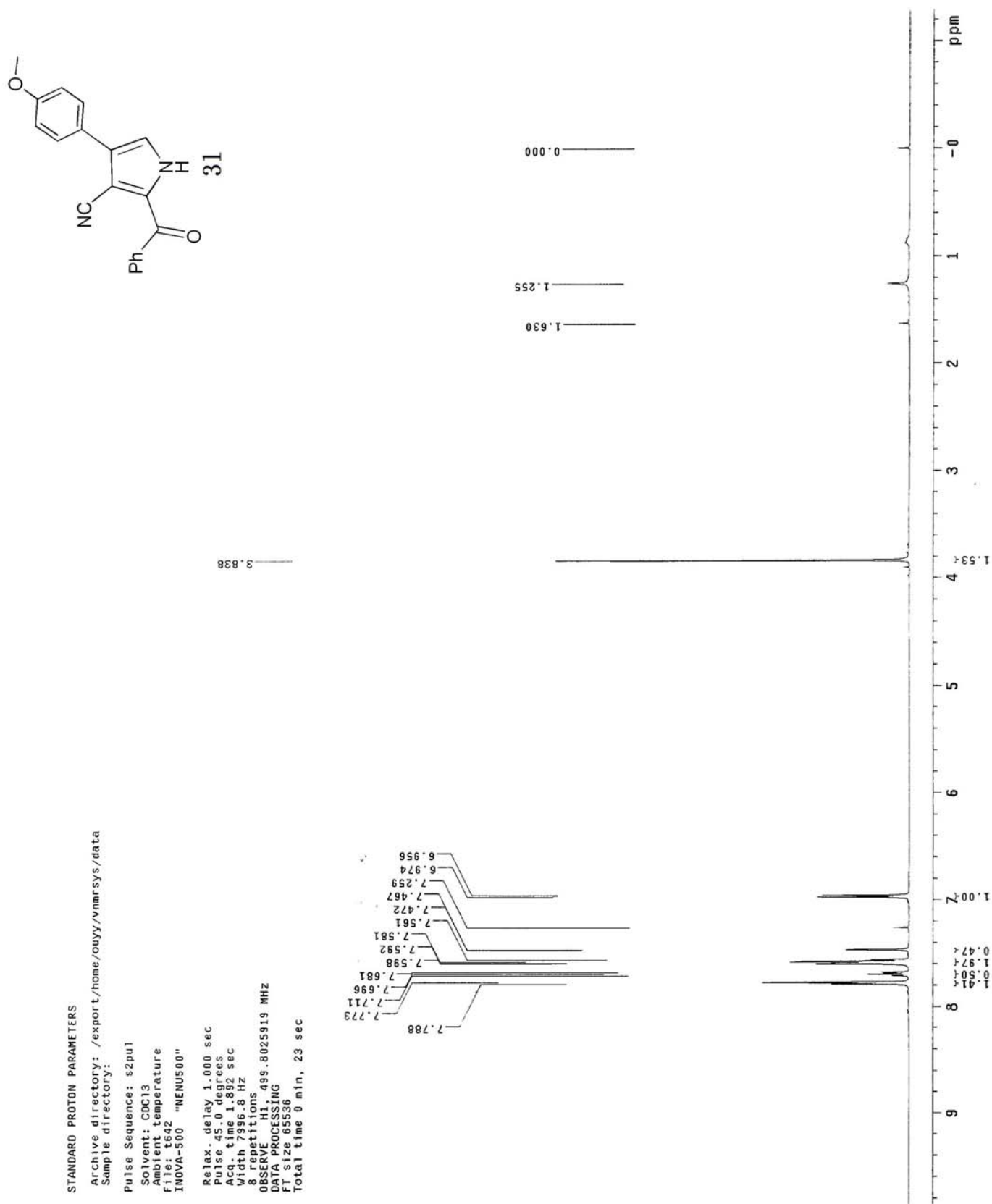


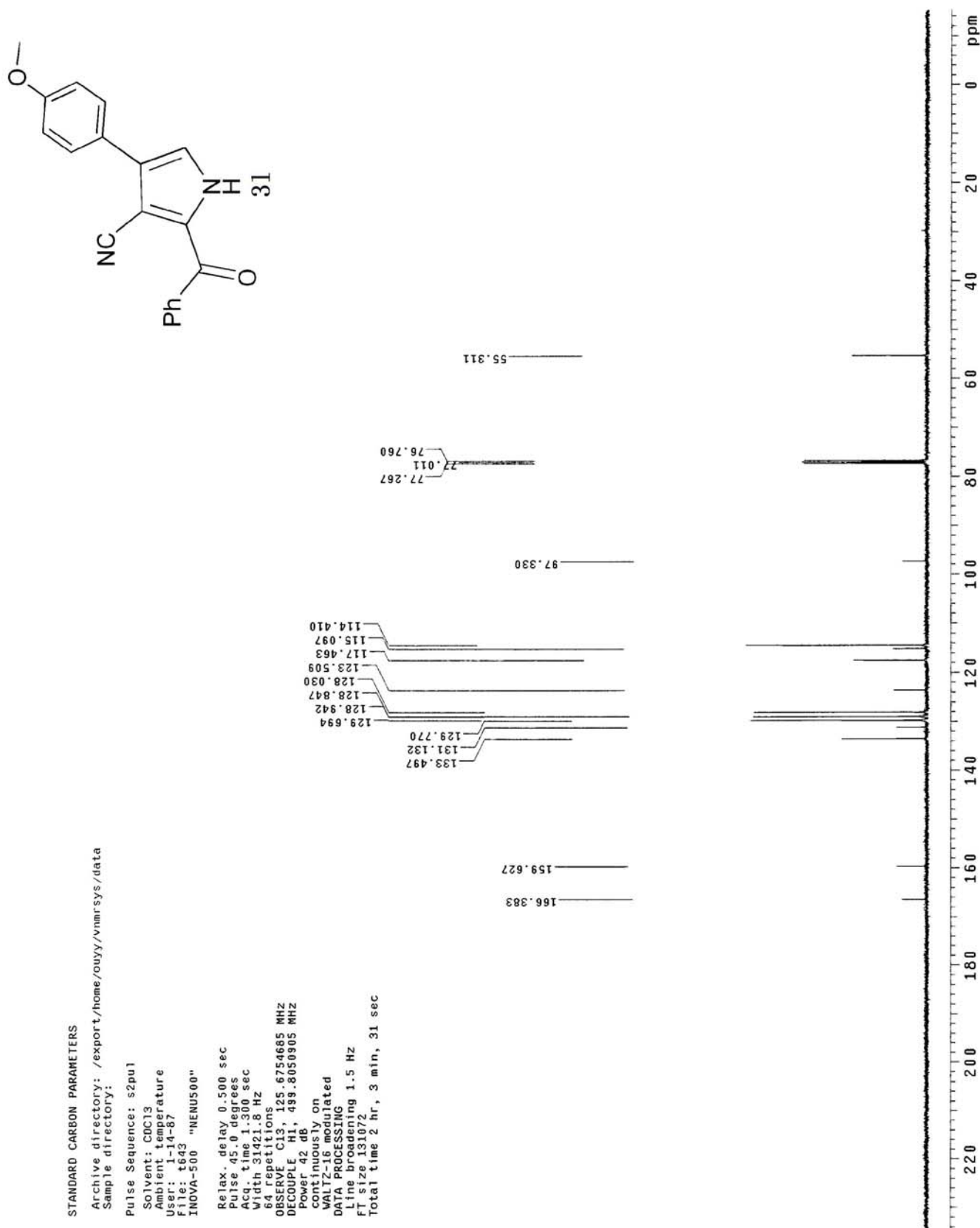


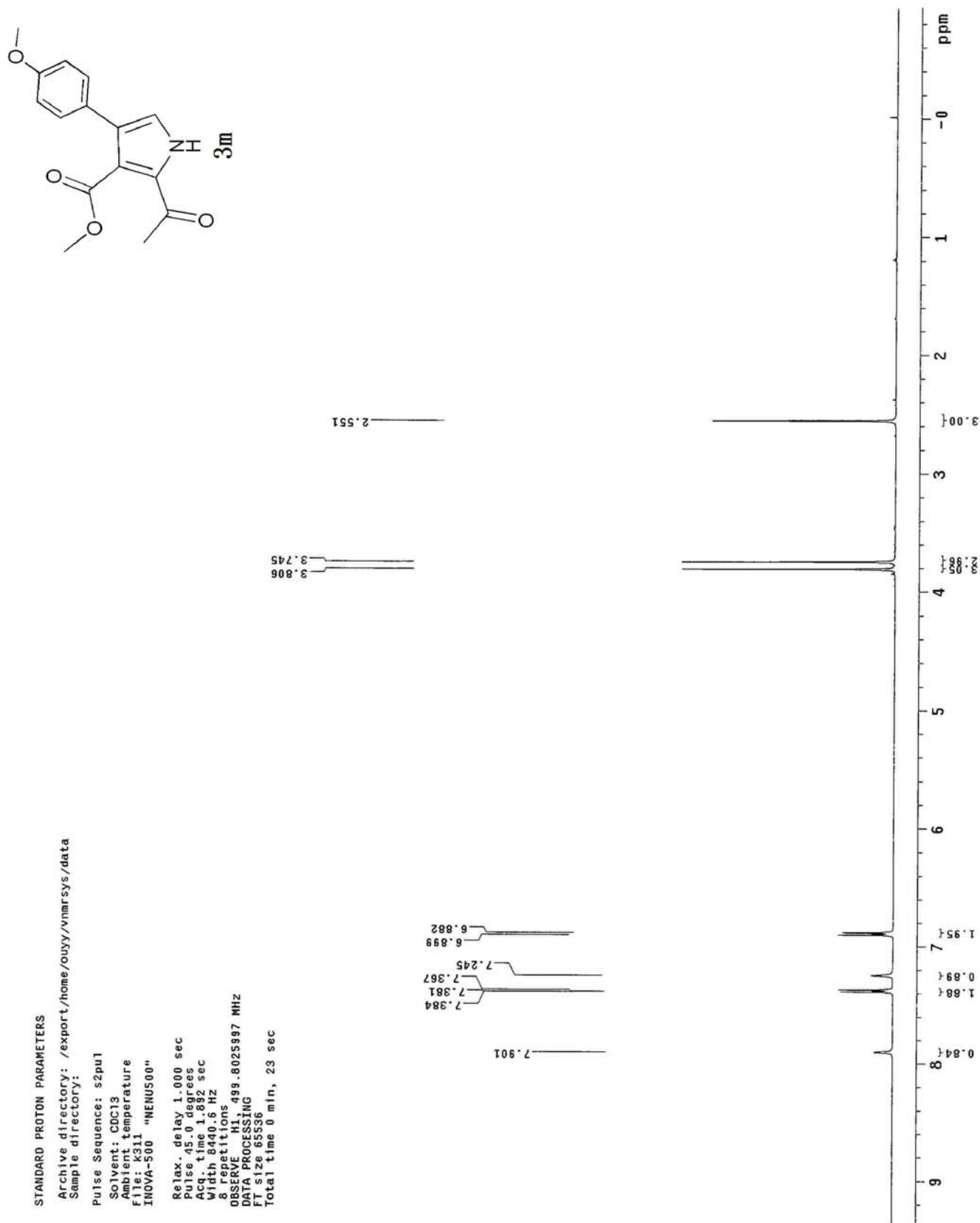


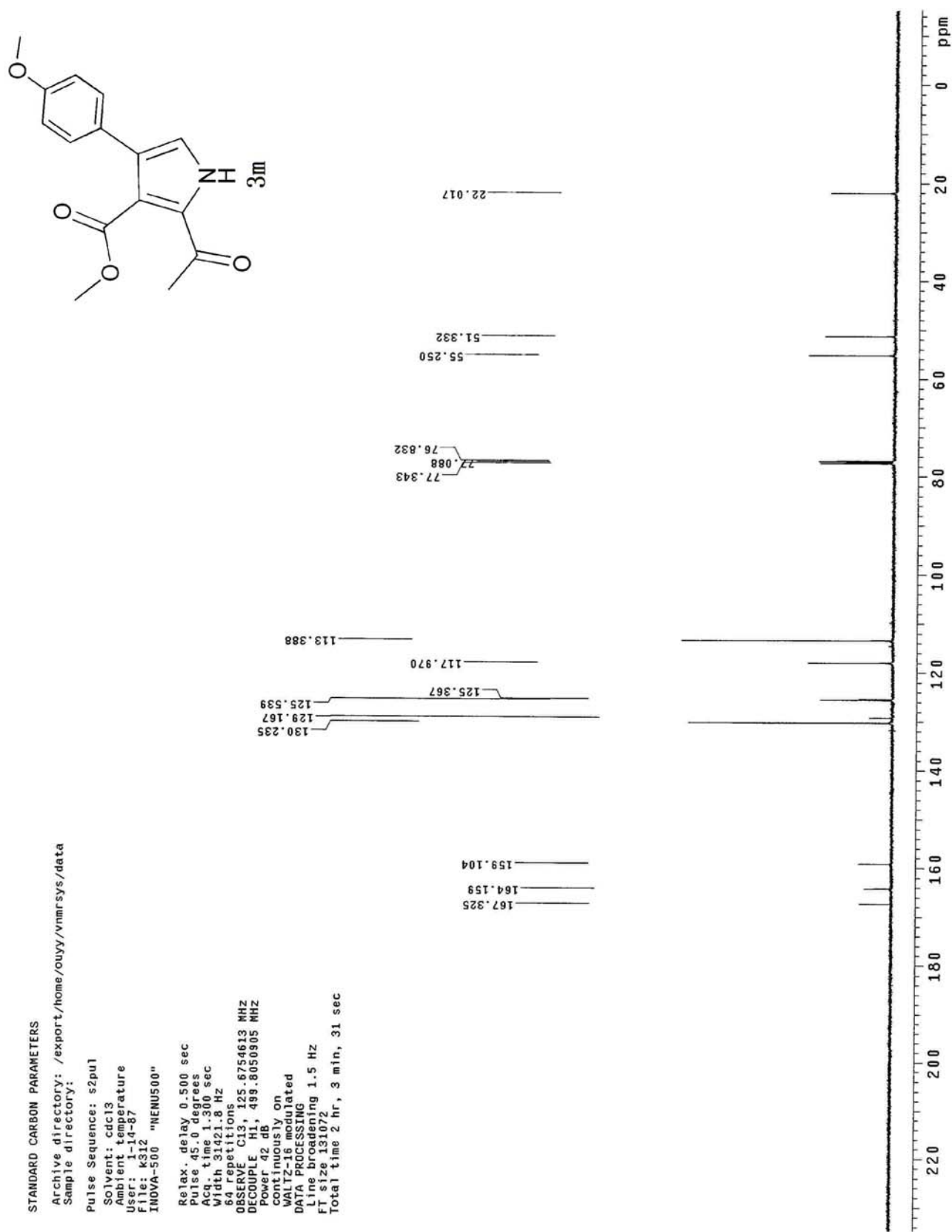


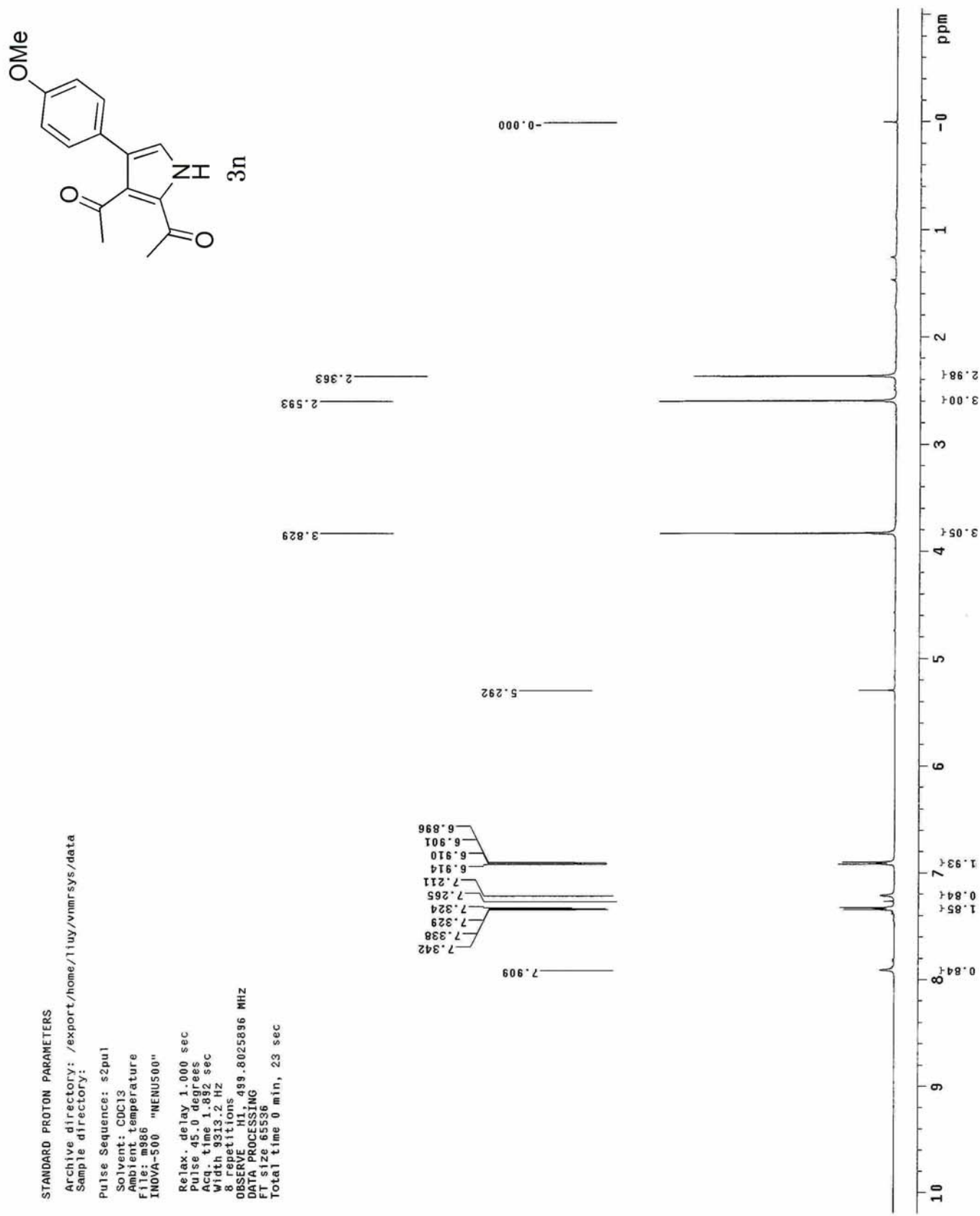


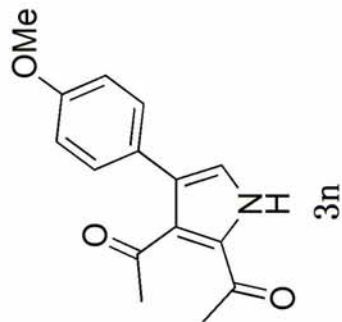












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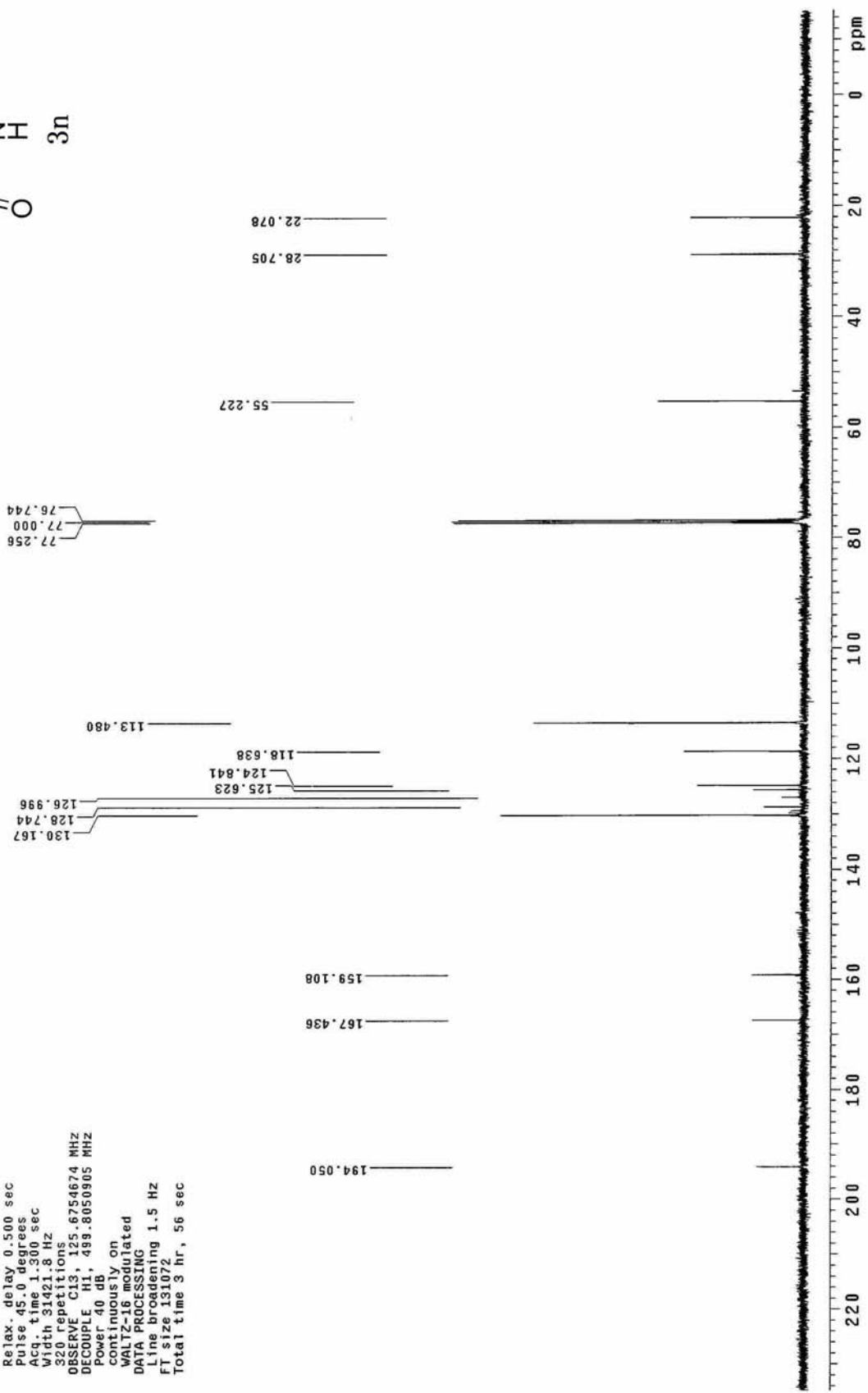
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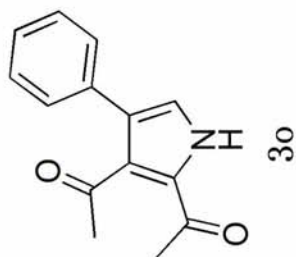
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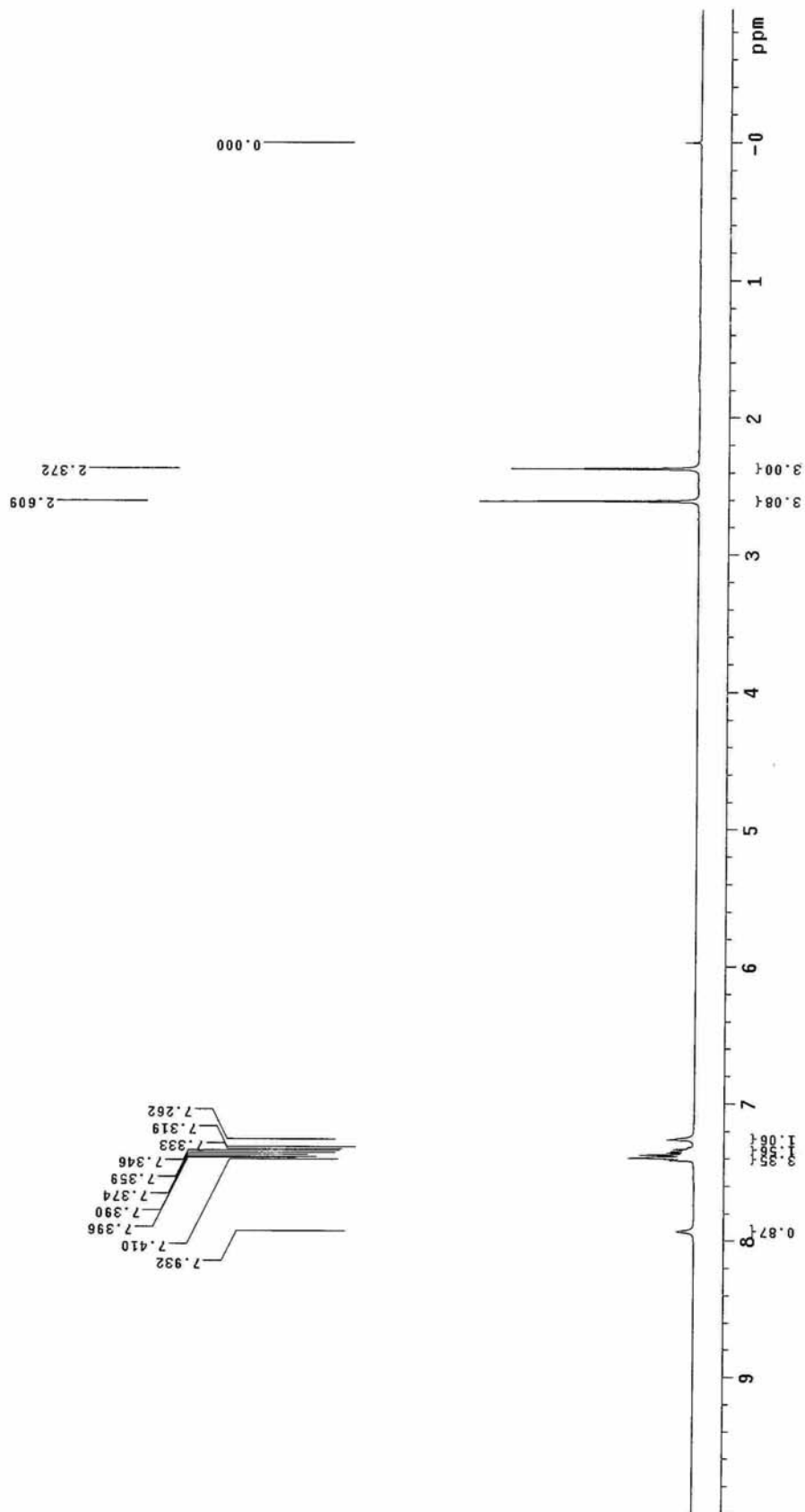
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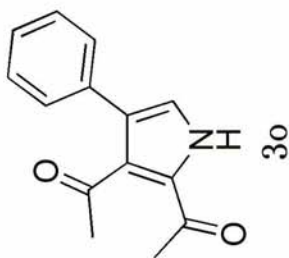
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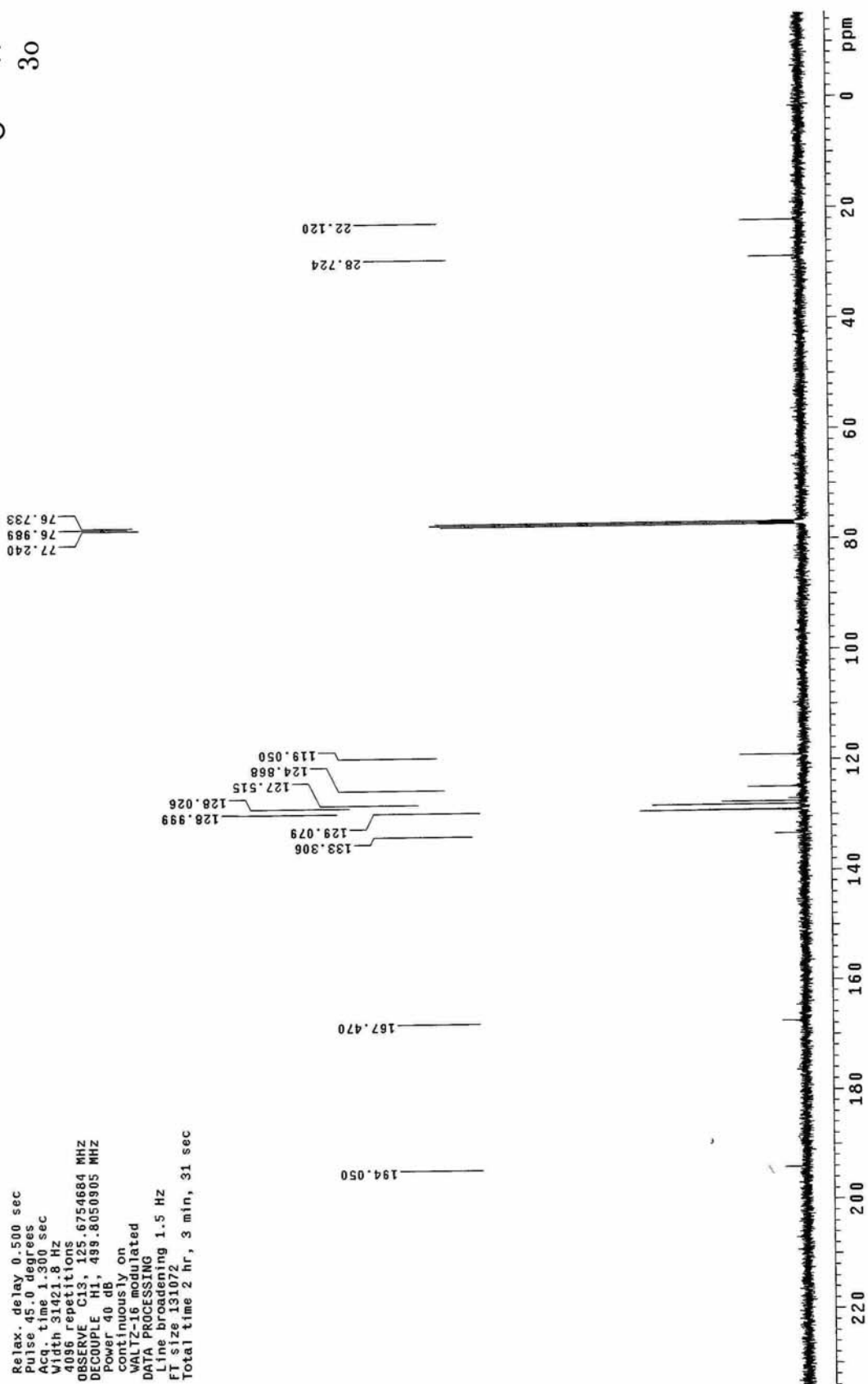
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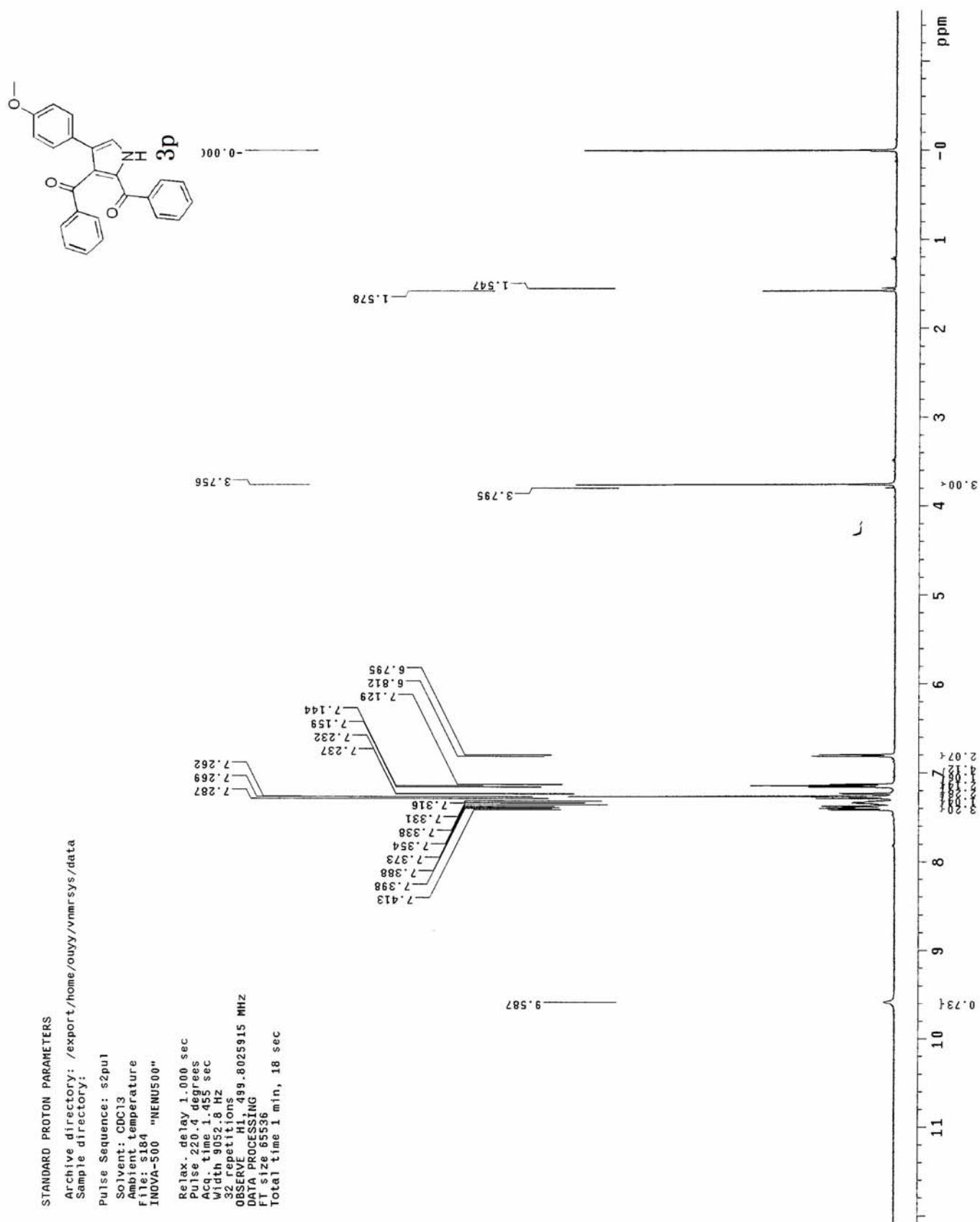
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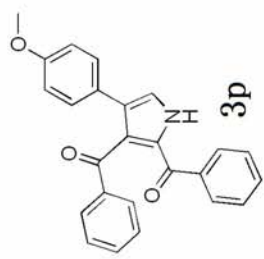
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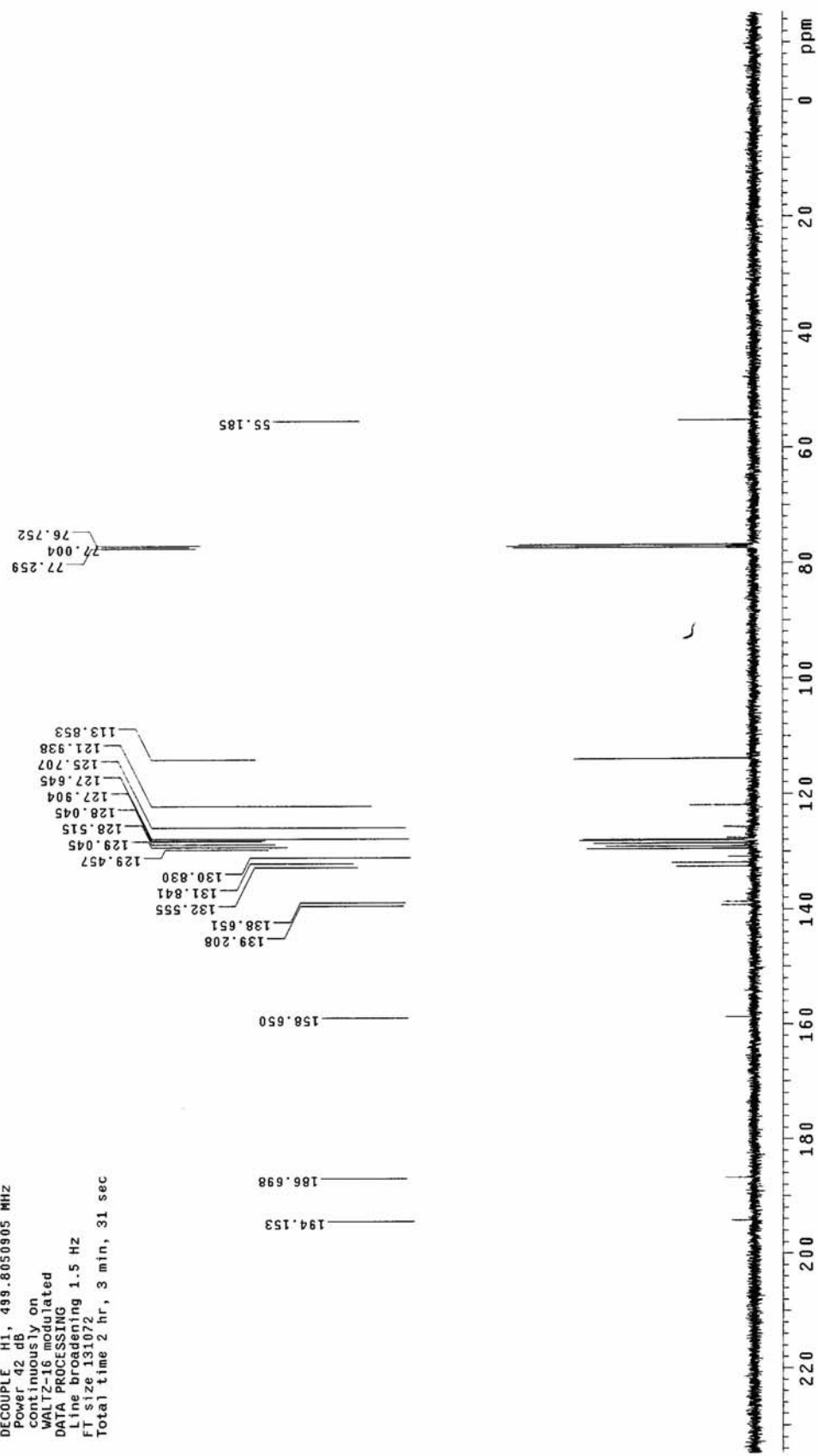


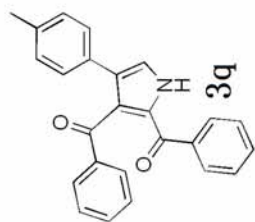




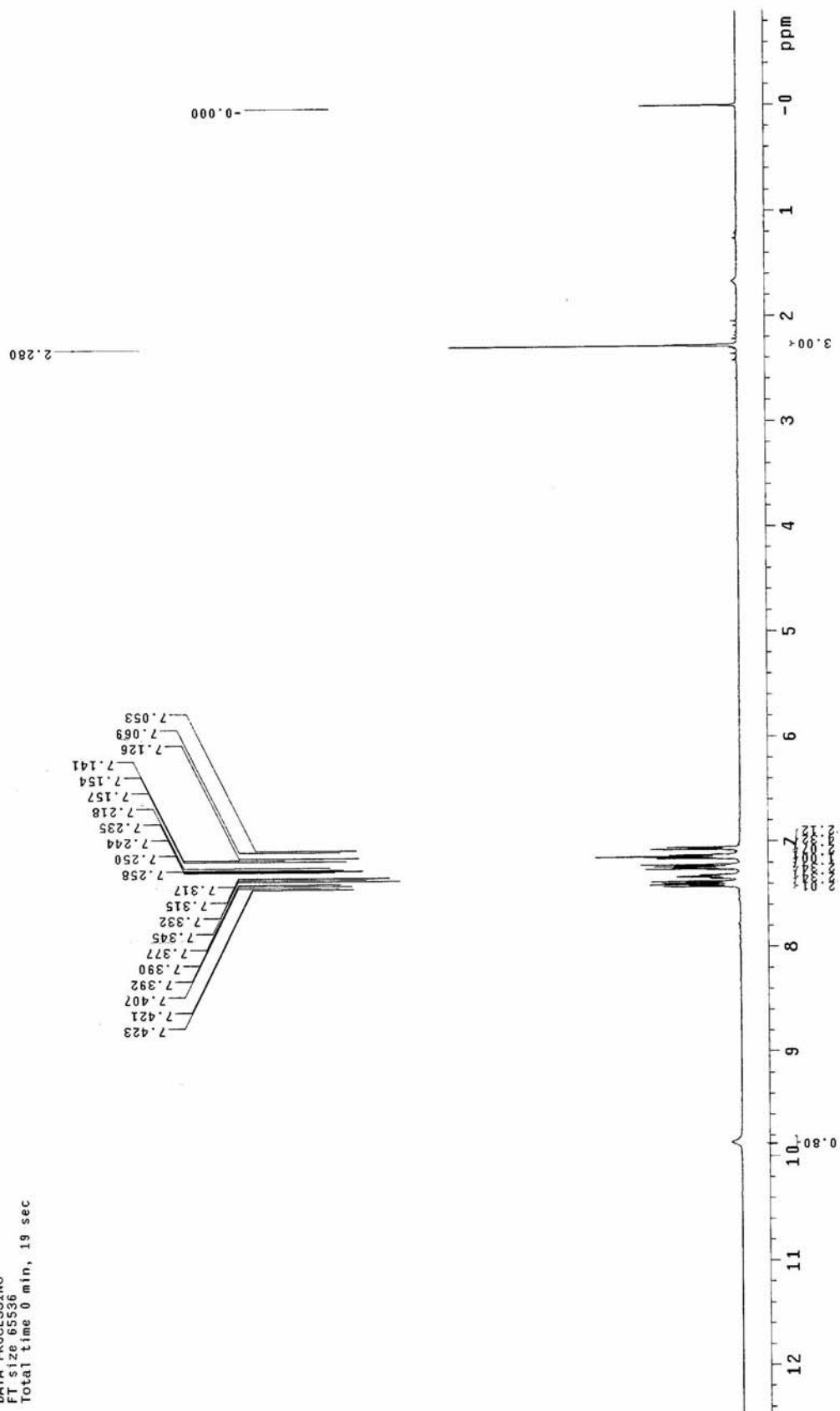
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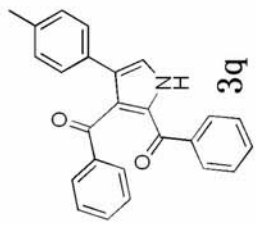
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Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: CDCl3
Ambient temperature
User: 1-14-87
File: t593
INNOVA-500 "NENUS00"
Relax. delay 0.500 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 31421.8 Hz
64 repetitions
OBSERVE C13, 125.6754656 MHz
DECOUPLE H1, 499.8050905 MHz
Power 42 dB,
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 1.5 Hz
FT size 131072
Total time 2 hr, 3 min, 31 sec





STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS
Archive directory: /export/home/ouyy/vnmrSYS/data
Sample directory:
Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: CDCl3
Ambient temperature
File: r933
INOVA-500 "NENU500"
Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 220.4 degrees
Acq. time 1.435 sec
Width 3052.8 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE H1 499.8025926 MHZ
DATA PROCESSING
F1 size 65536
Total time 0 min, 19 sec





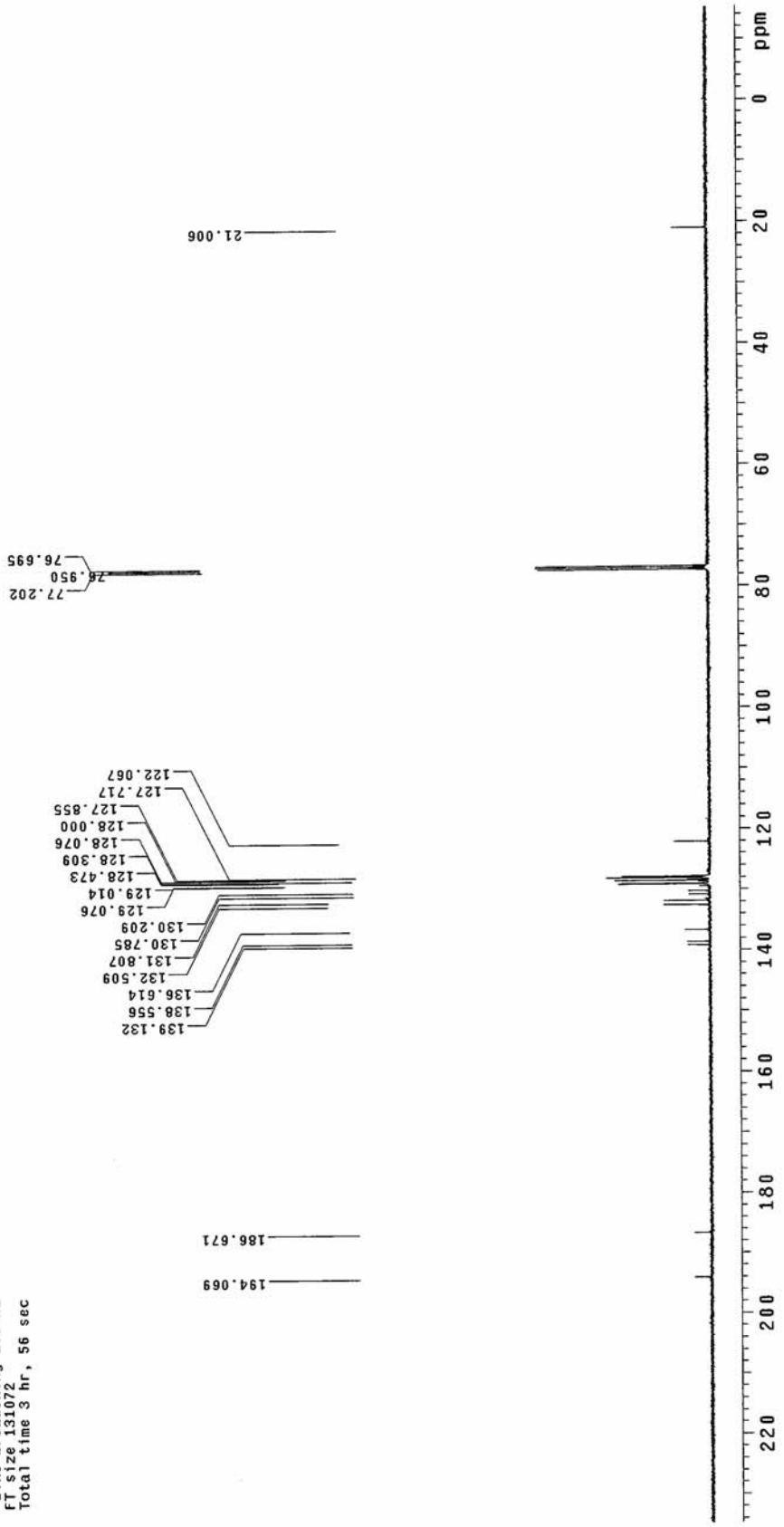
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

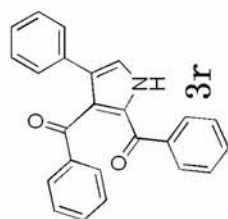
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Sample directory:

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3
Ambient temperature
User: 1-14-87
File: g419
INOVA-500 "MNU500"

Relax. delay 0.500 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 31421.8 Hz
448 repetitions
OBSERVE C13, 125.6754723 MHz
DECOUPLE H1, 499.8050905 MHz
Power 40 dB
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 1.5 Hz
FT size 131072
Total time 3 hr, 56 sec





STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Archive directory: /export/home/ouyy/vnmrsys/data
Sample directory:

Pulse Sequence: s2pul1

Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

File: r466

INOVA-500 "NENUS00"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec

Pulse 45.0 degrees

Acq. time 1.892 sec

Width 8989.8 Hz

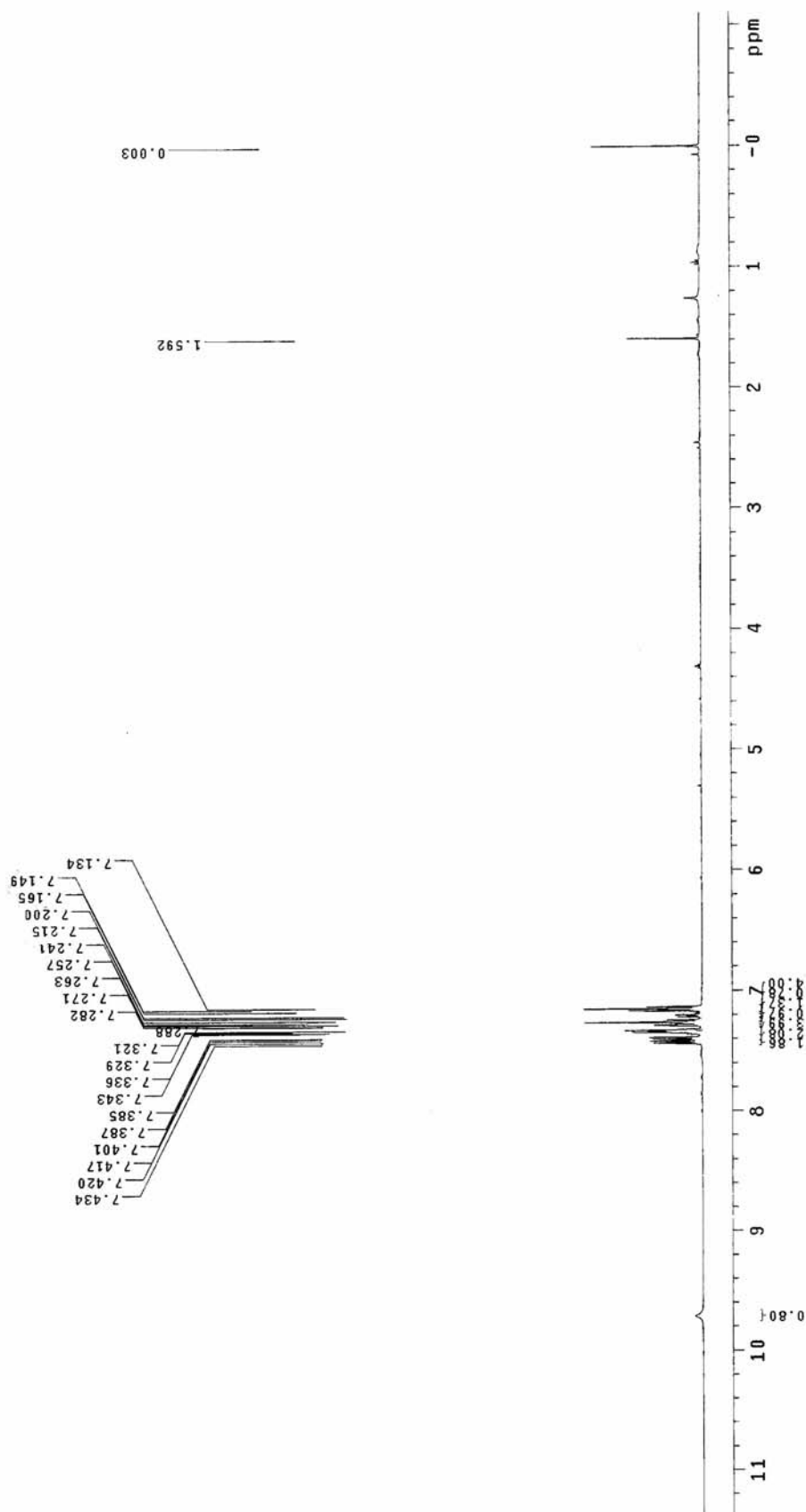
8 repetitions

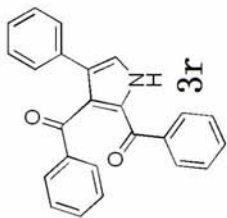
OBSERVE H1, 499.8025906 MHz

DATA PROCESSING

FT size 65536

Total time 0 min, 23 sec





STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Archive directory: /export/home/ouyy/vnmrsys/data
Sample directory:

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl₃

Ambient temperature

User: i-14-87

File: t570

INNOVA-500 "NENU500"

Relax. delay 0.500 sec

Pulse 45.0 degrees

Acq. time 1.300 sec

Width 31421.8 Hz

3712 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 125.6754651 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 499.8050905 MHz

Power 42 dB

continuously on

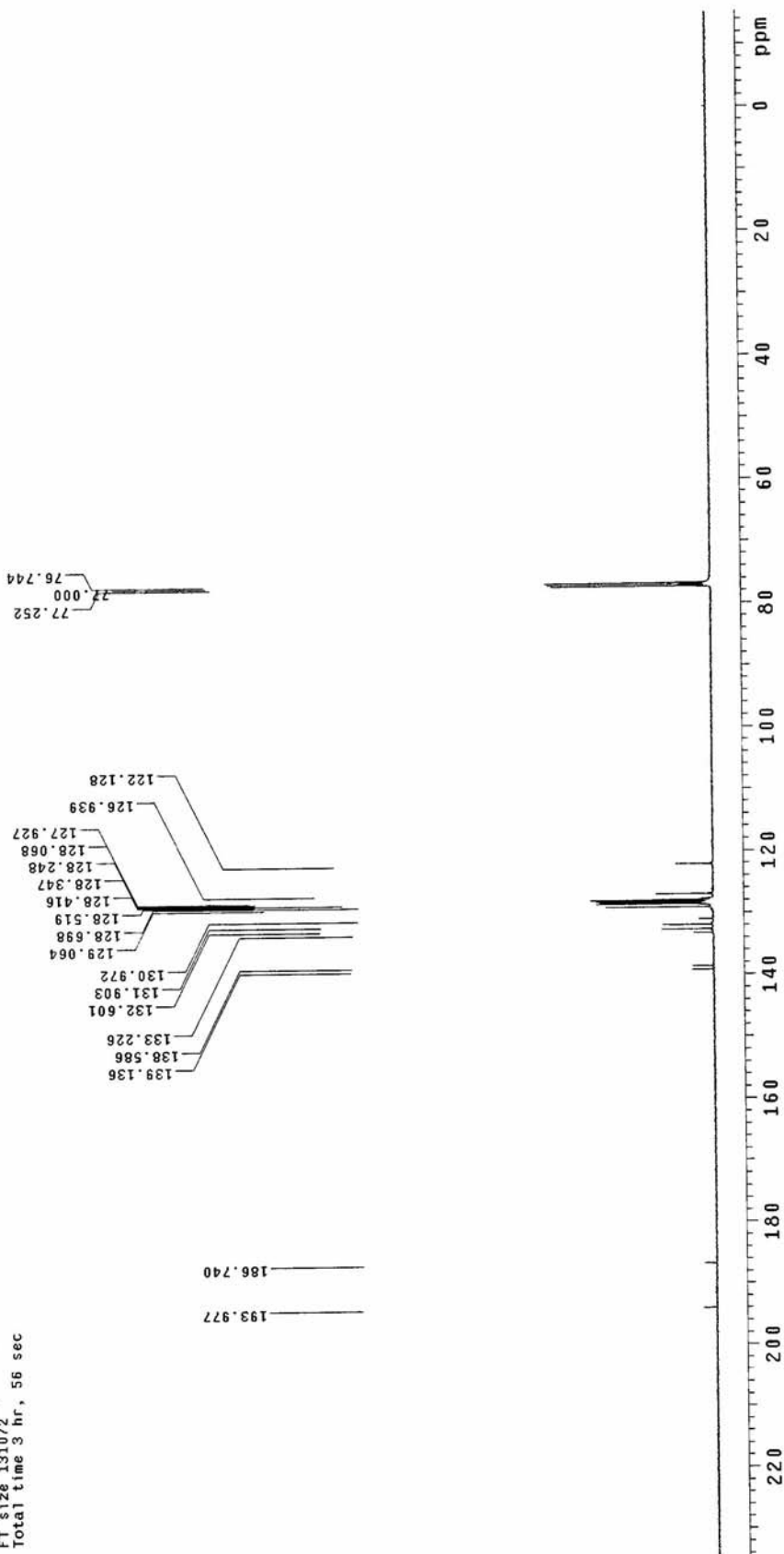
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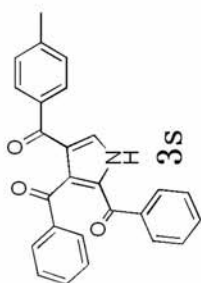
DATA PROCESSING

Line broadening 1.5 Hz

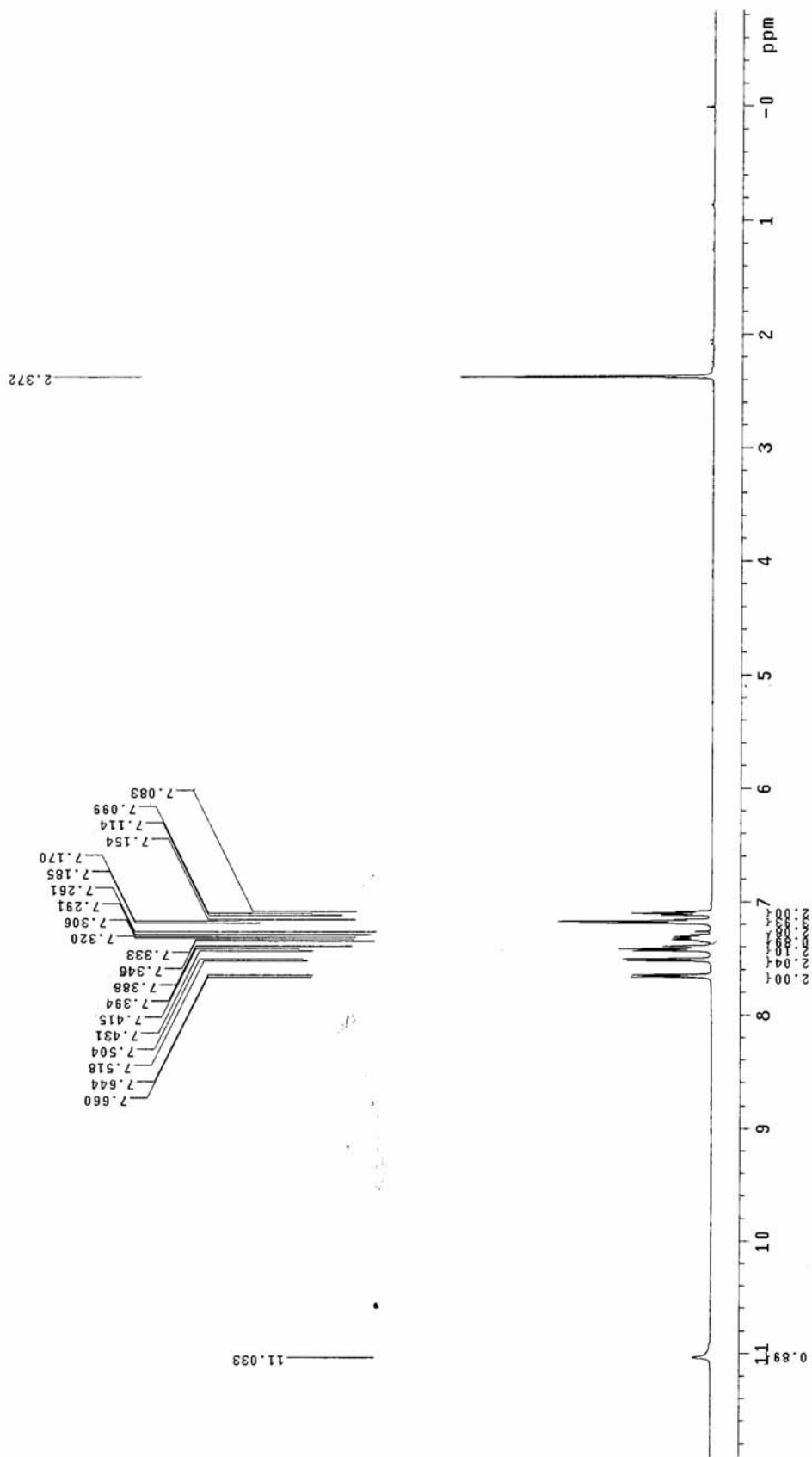
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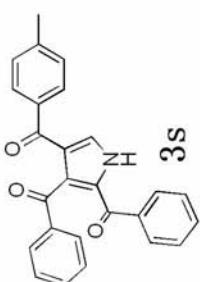
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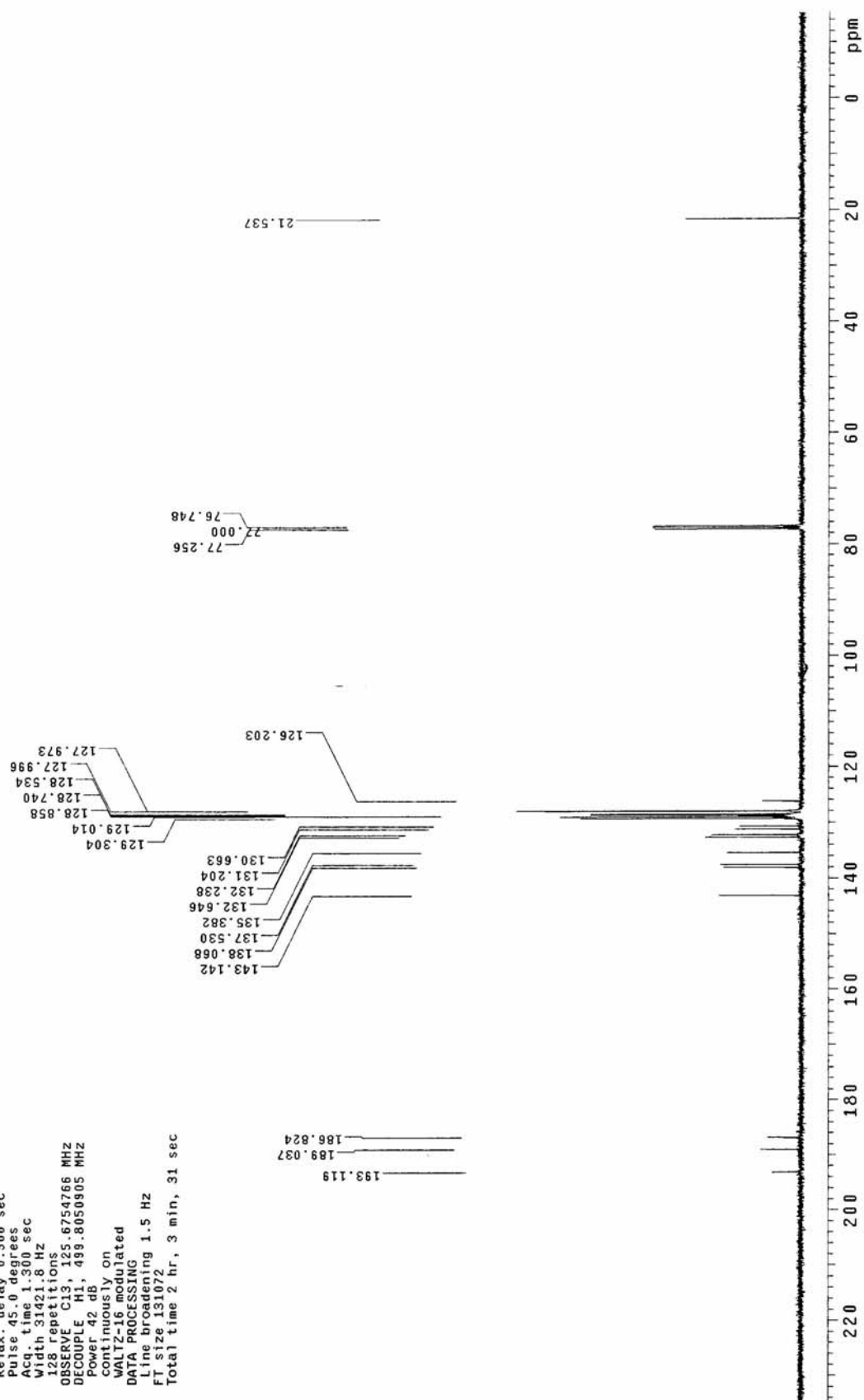
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS
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Sample directory:
Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: CDCl3
Ambient temperature
File: d455
INOVA-500 "NENUS00"
Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.892 sec
Width 8578.2 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE H1 499.8025914 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 23 sec

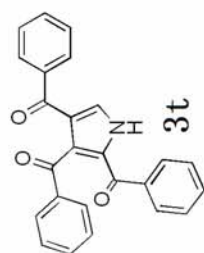




STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Archive directory: /export/home/ouyy/vnmrsys/data
Sample directory:
Pulse Sequence: s2pul1
Solvent: cdcl3
Ambient temperature
User: 1-14-87
File: d456
INOVA-500 "NENUS00"
Relax. delay 0.500 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.30 sec
Width 3141.8 Hz
128 repetitions
OBSERVE C13, 125.6754766 MHz
DECOUPLE H1, 499.8050905 MHz
Power 42 dB
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 1.5 Hz
FT size 131072
Total time 2 hr, 3 min, 31 sec



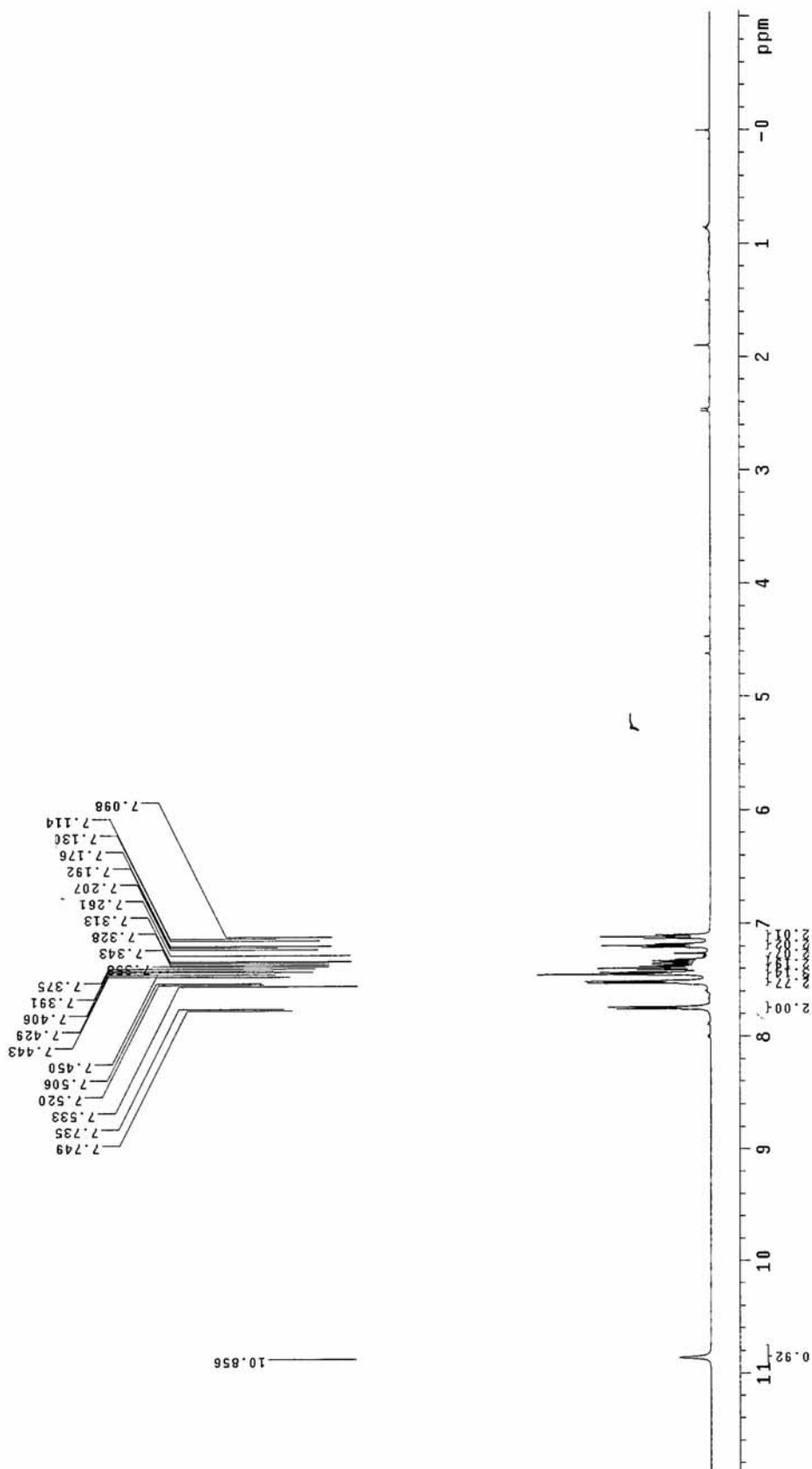


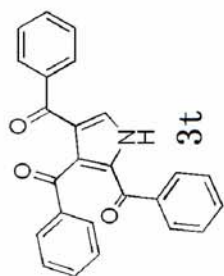
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Archive directory: /export/home/ouyy/vnmrSYS/data
Sample directory:

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: CDCl₃
Ambient temperature
File: c848
INOVA-500 "NENU500"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.892 sec
Width 8578.2 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE H1, 499.8025914 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 23 sec





STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Archive directory: /export/home/ouyy/vnmr/sys/data
Sample directory:

Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: cdcl3

Ambient temperature

User: l-14-87

File: c849

INOVA-500 "NENU500"

Relax. delay 0.500 sec

Pulse 45.0 degrees

Acq. time 1.300 sec

Width 31421.8 Hz

256 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 125.6754728 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 499.8050905 MHz

Power 42 dB

continuously on

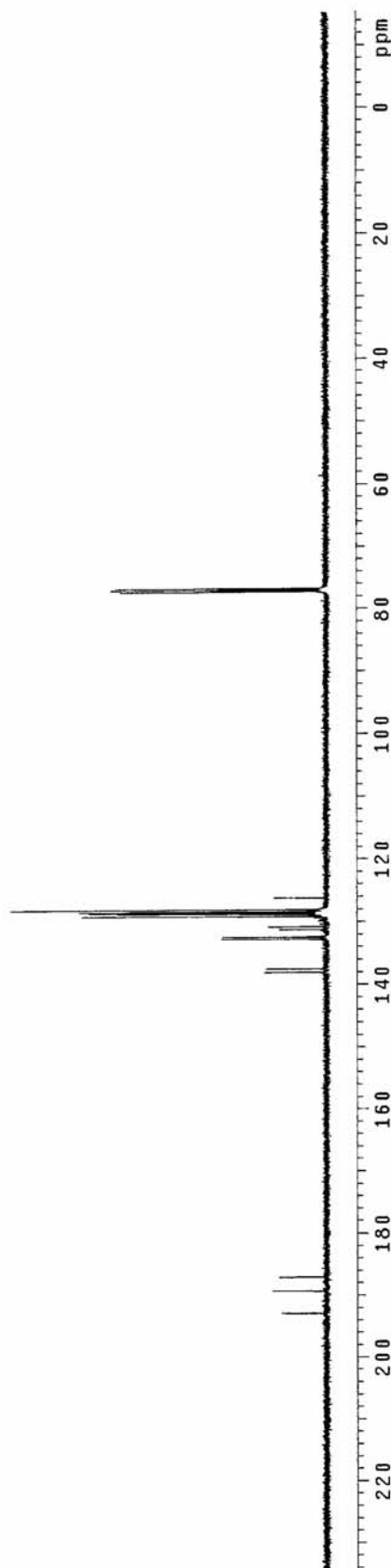
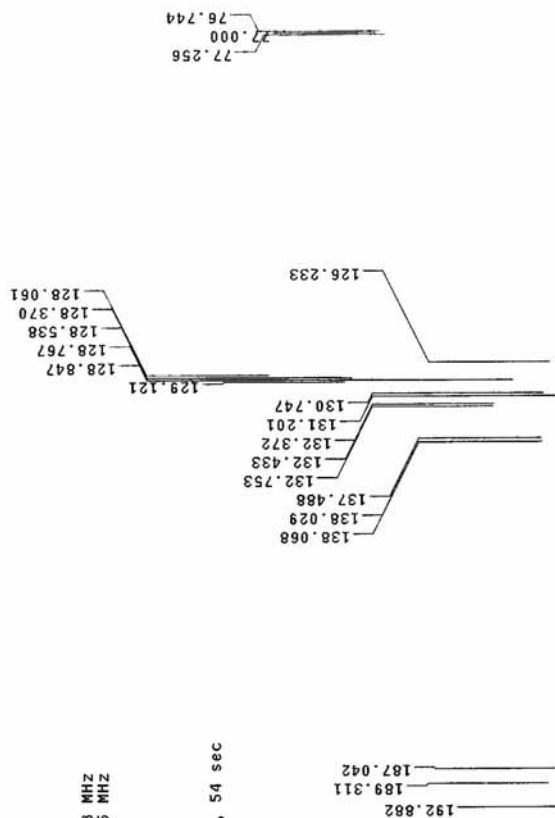
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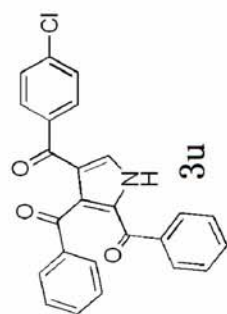
DATA PROCESSING

Line broadening 1.0 Hz

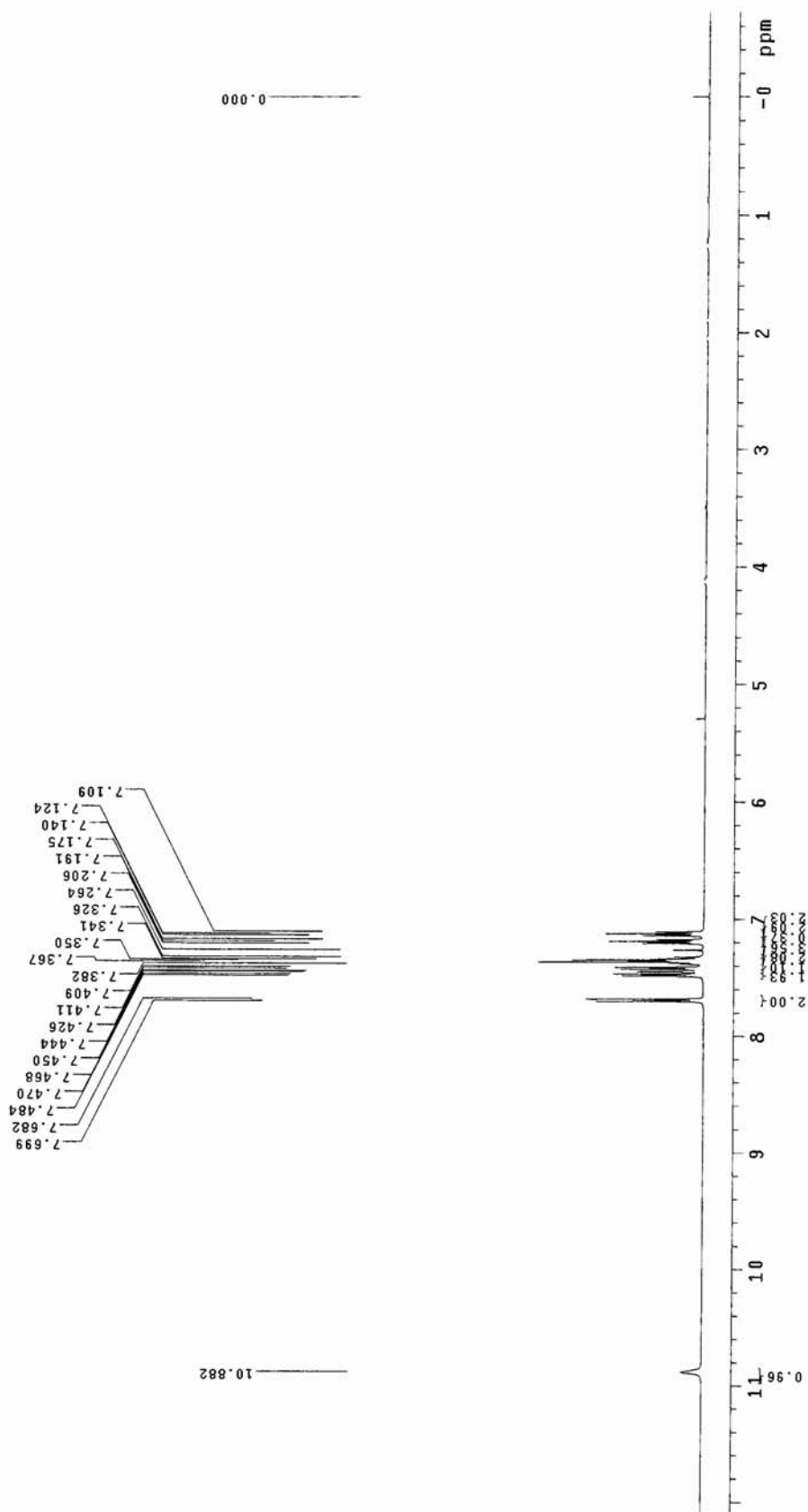
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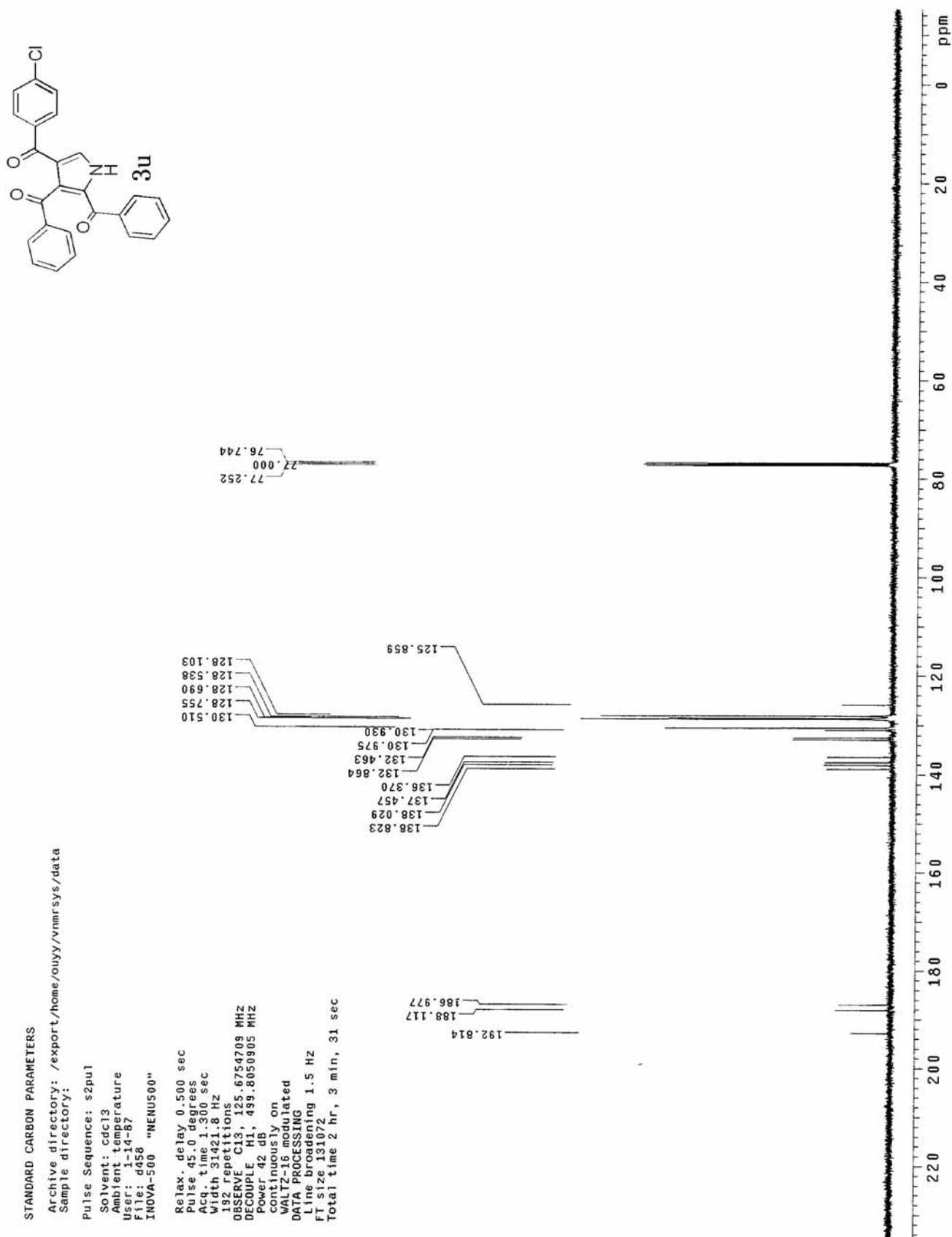
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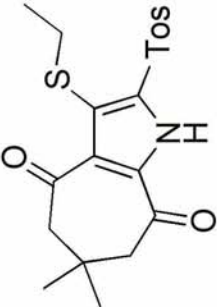




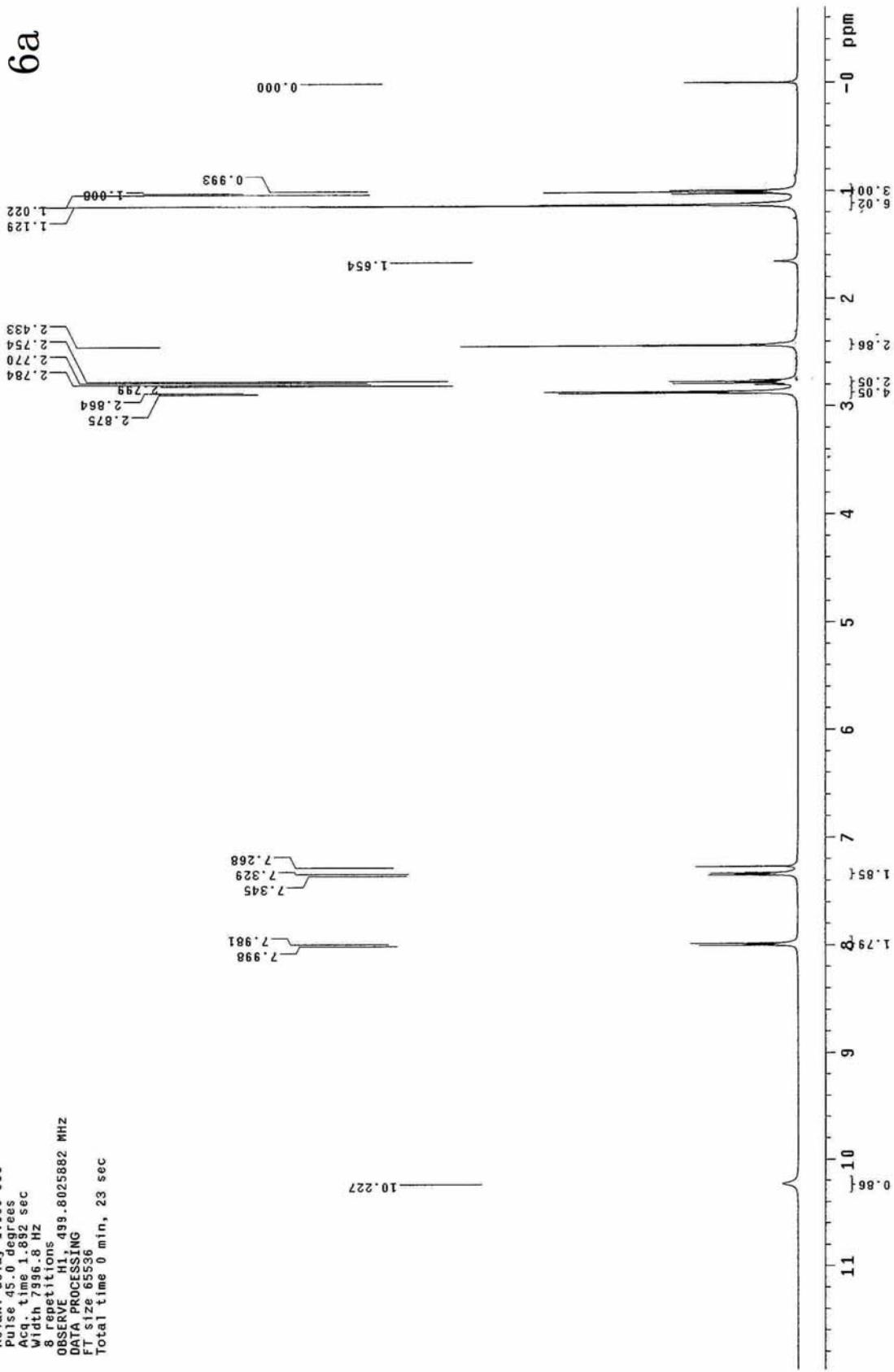
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS
Archive directory: /export/home/ouyy/vnmr/sys/data
Sample directory:
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1
Solvent: CDCl3
Ambient temperature
File: dd57
INOVA-500 "MENU500"
Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.892 sec
Width 8578.2 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE H1 499.8025901 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 23 sec







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STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Archive directory: /export/home/liuy/vnmrsys/data
Sample directory:

Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: CDCl₃

Ambient temperature

File: j560

INOVA-500 "NENUS00"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec

Pulse: 45.0 degrees

Acq. time: 1.582 sec

Width: 7996.8 Hz

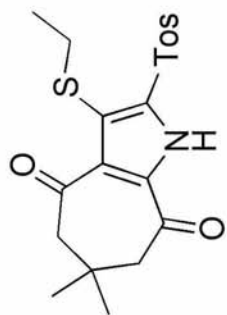
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OBSERVE H1 499.8025882 MHz

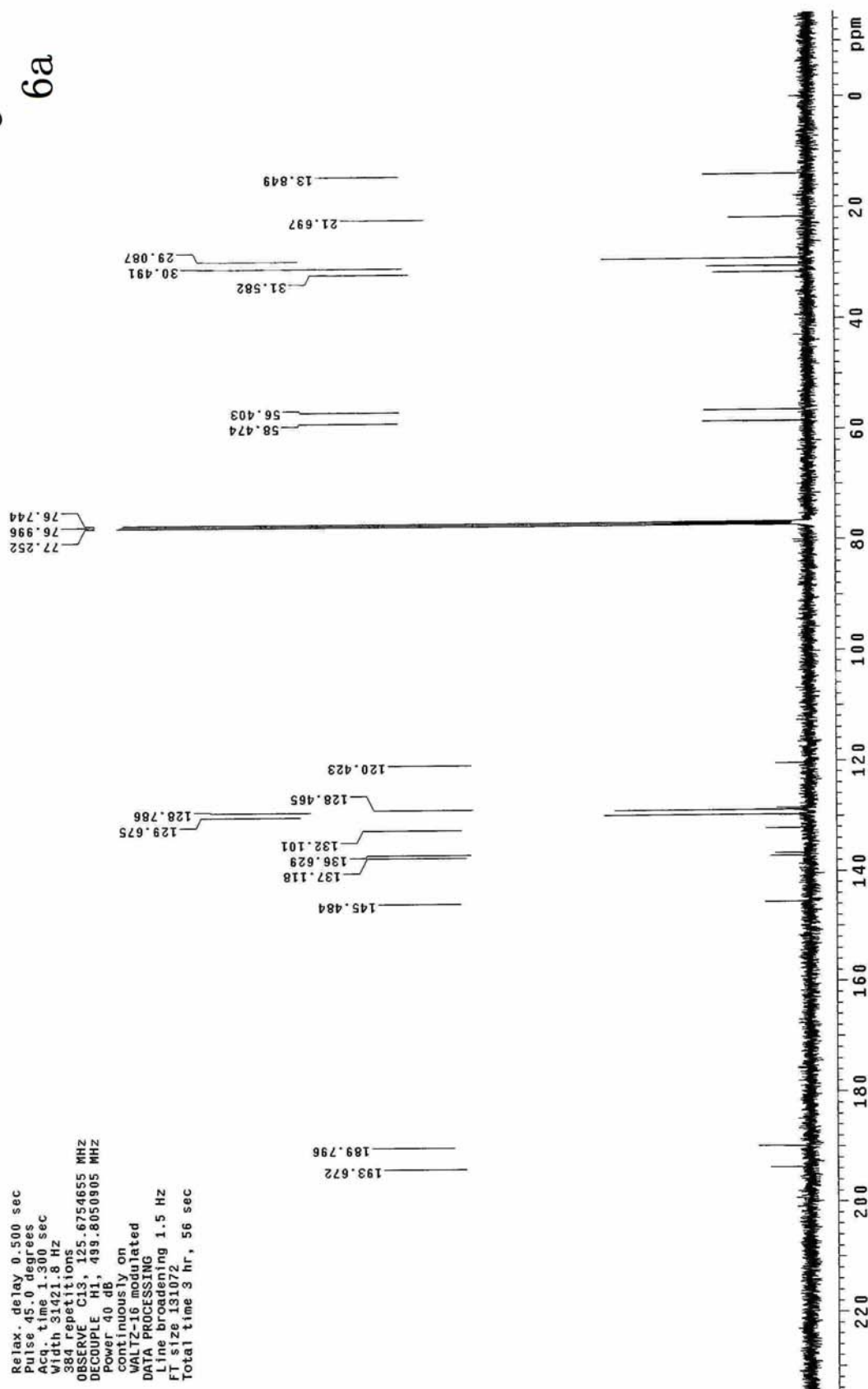
DATA PROCESSING

FT size: 65536

Total time 0 min, 23 sec



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STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Archive directory: /export/home/ouyy/vnmrsys/data

Sample directory:

Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: CDCl₃

Ambient temperature

User: m405

PROB: m405

INNOVA-500 "NMR500"

Relax. delay 0.500 sec

Pulse 45.0 degrees

Acq. time 1.300 sec

Width 31421.8 Hz

384 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 125.6754655 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 499.8050905 MHz

Power 40 dB

continuously on

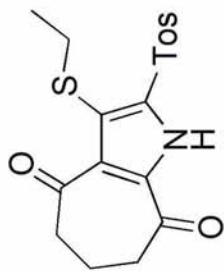
WALTZ-16 modulated

DATA PROCESSING

Line broadening 1.5 Hz

FT size 131072

Total time 3 hr, 56 sec



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STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Archive directory: /export/home/11uy/vnmrsvs/data
Sample directory:

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

File: m578

INNOVA-500 "NENU500"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec

Pulse 45.0 degrees

Acq. time 1.892 sec

Width 9313.2 Hz

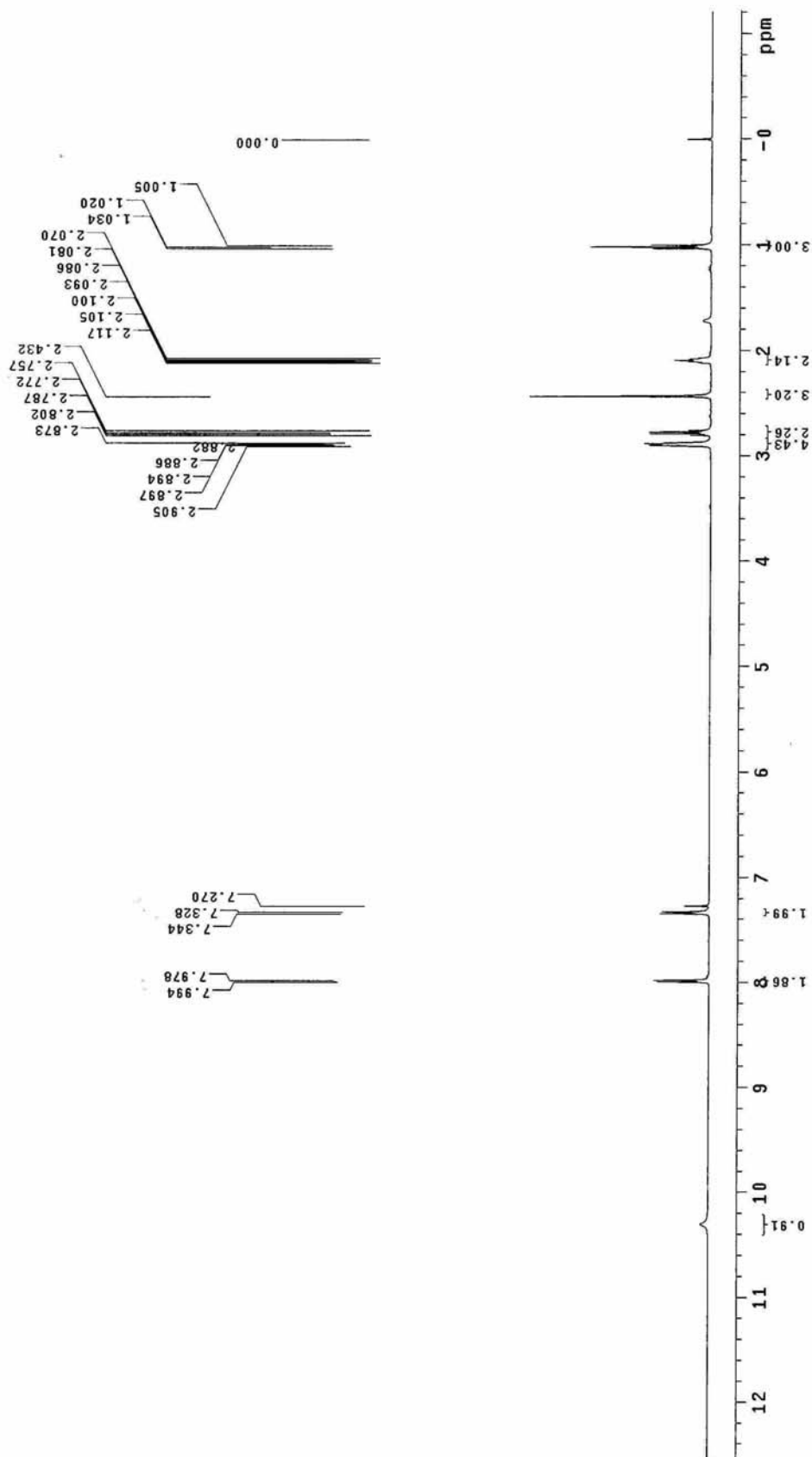
8 repetitions

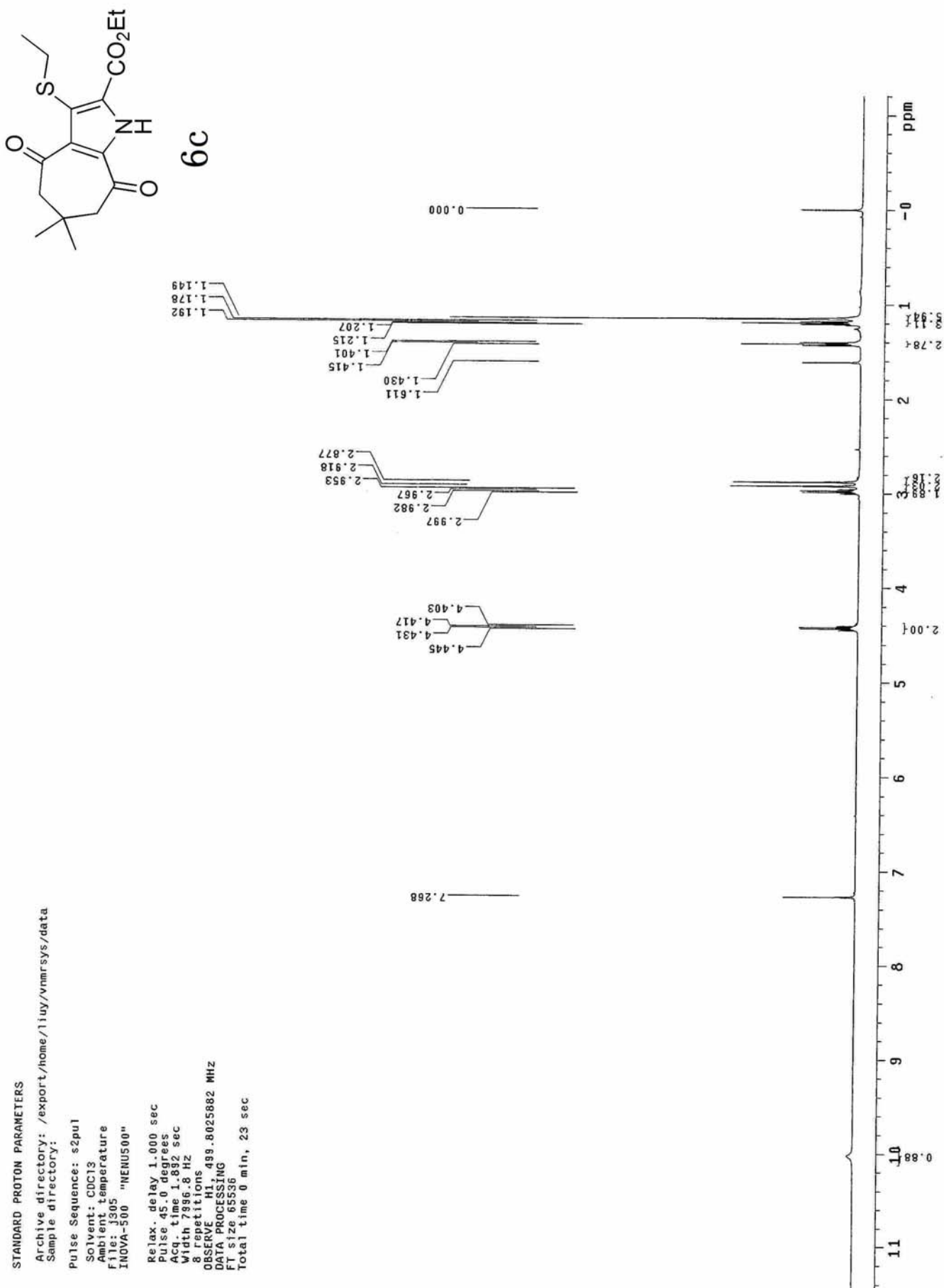
OBSERVE H1, 499.8025870 MHz

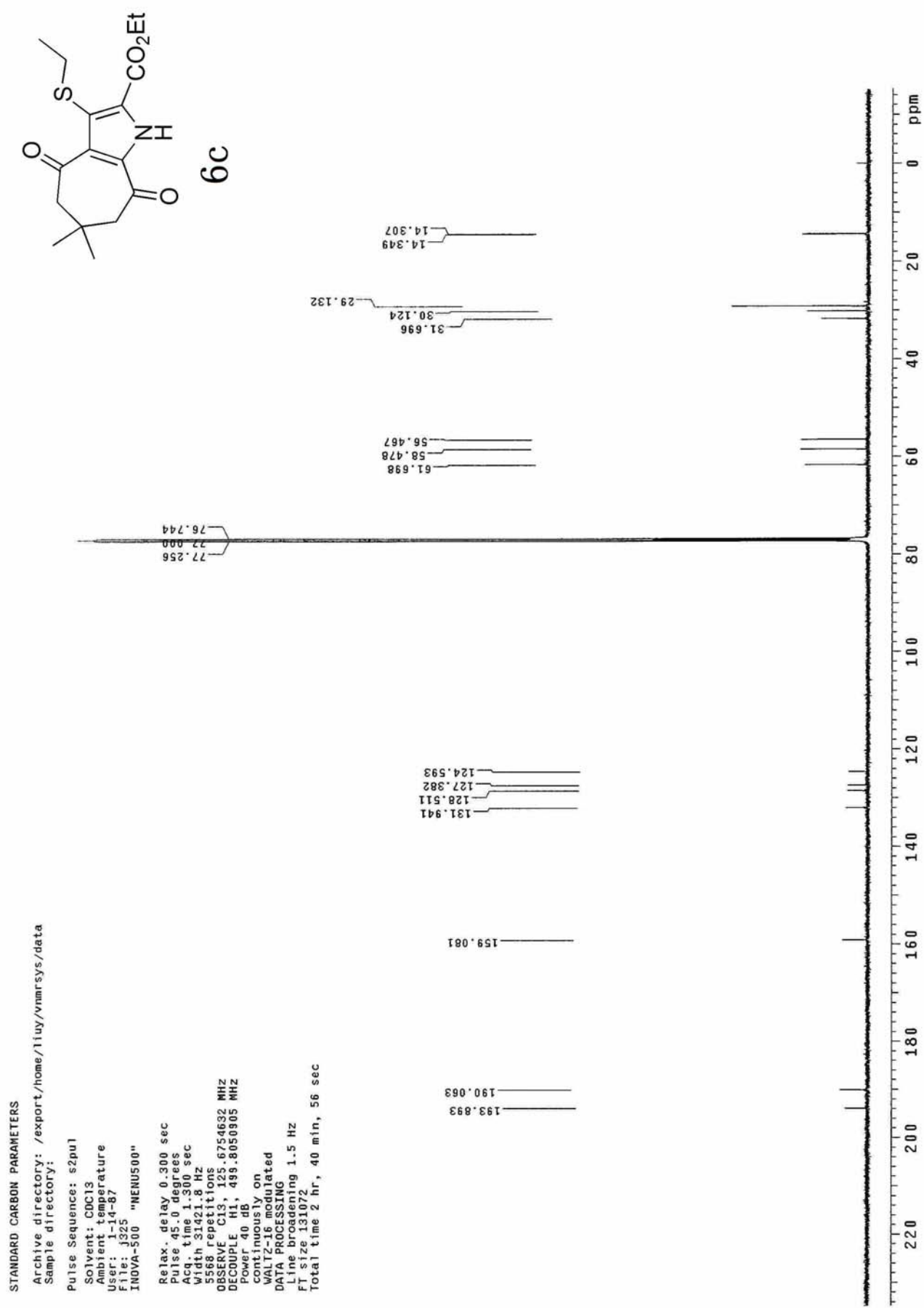
DATA PROCESSING

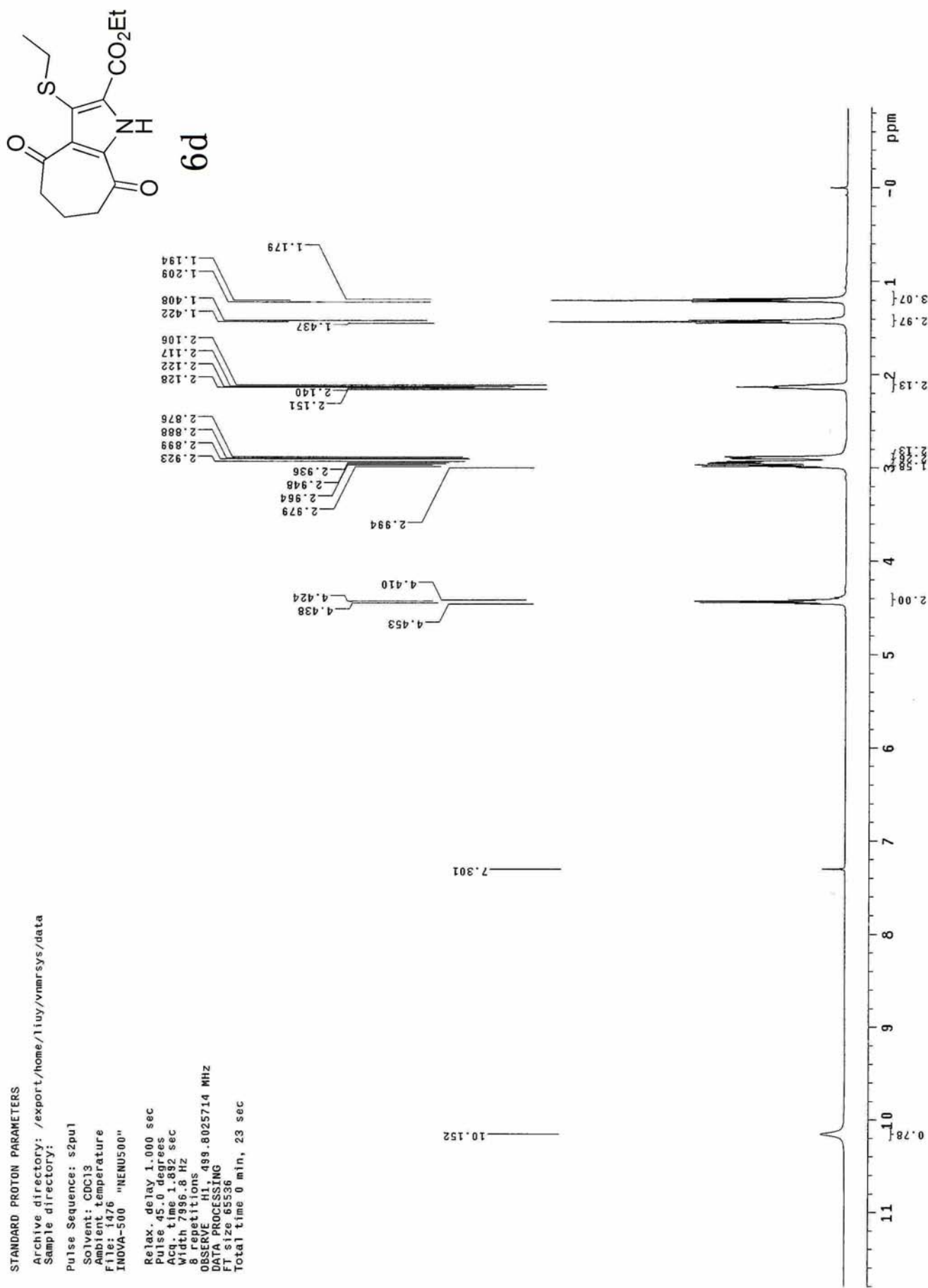
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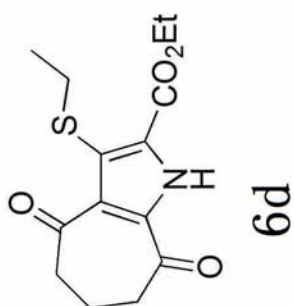
Total time 0 min, 23 sec











STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Archive directory: /export/home/liuy/vnmrsys/data
Sample directory:

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl₃

Ambient temperature

User: 1-14-87

File: 1509

INNOVA-500 "NENU500"

Relax. delay 0.300 sec

Pulse 45.0 degrees

Acq. time 1.300 sec

Width 31421.8 Hz

320 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 125.6754733 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 499.8050905 MHz

Power 40 dB

continuously on

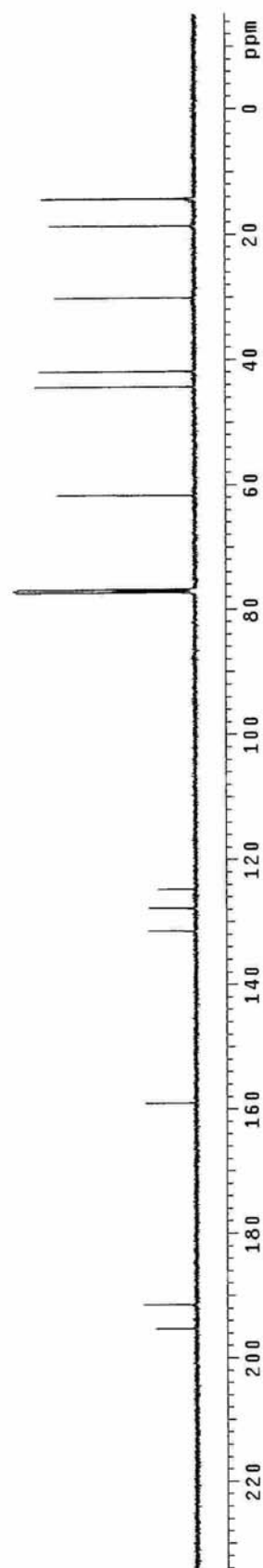
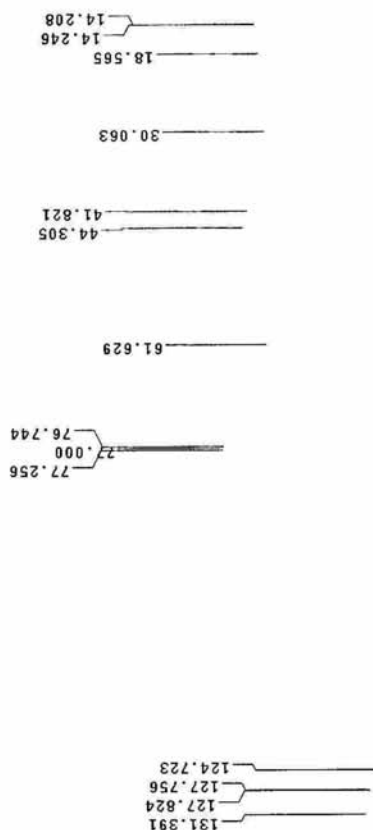
WALTZ-16 modulated

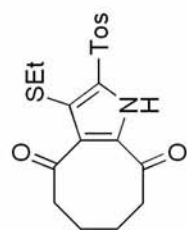
DATA PROCESSING

Line broadening 1.5 Hz

FT size 131072

Total time 1 hr, 49 min, 51 sec





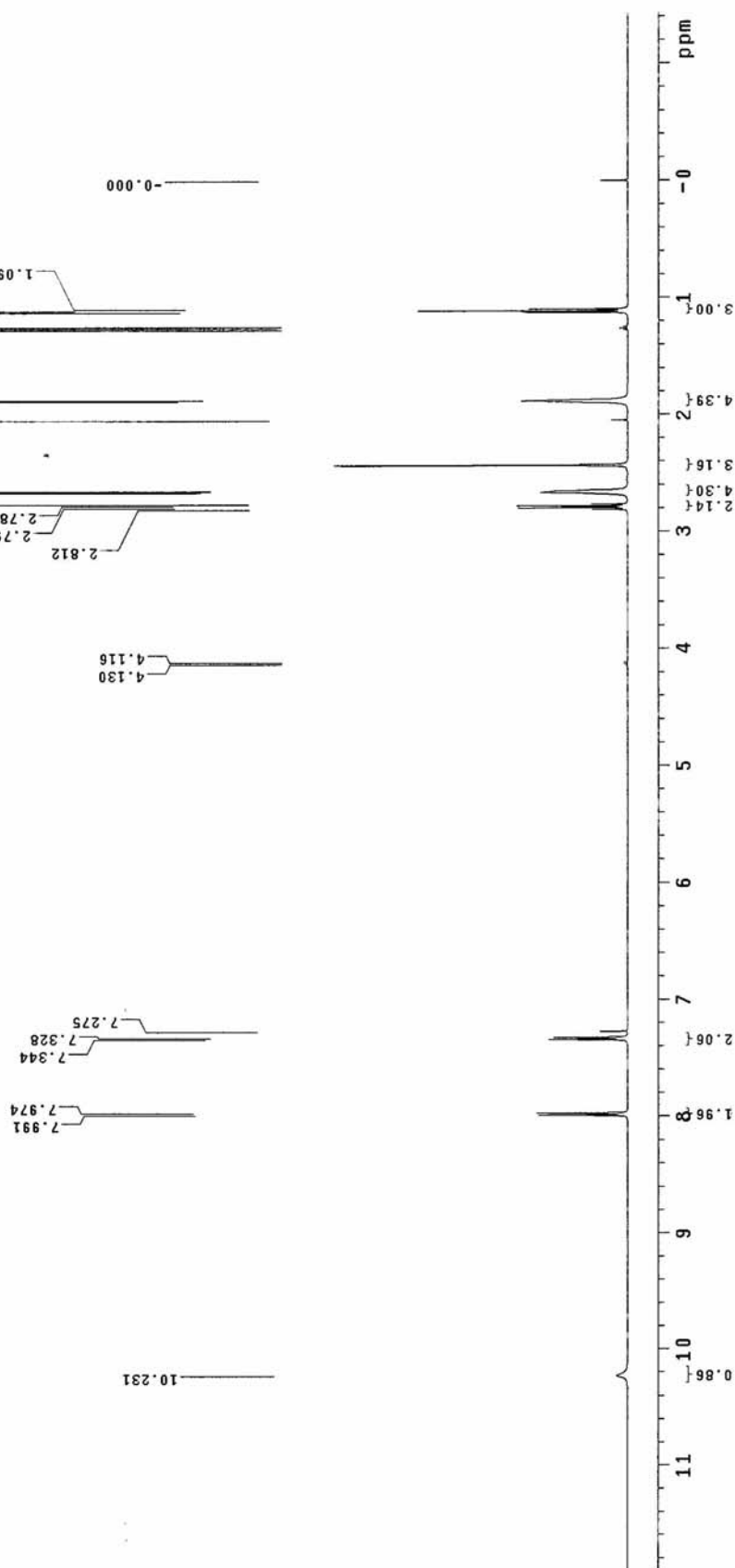
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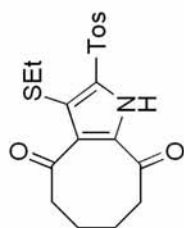
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Archive directory: /export/home/ouyy/vnmrsys/data
Sample directory:

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: CDCl₃
Ambient temperature
File: 1045
INOVA-500 "NENU500"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse: 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.892 sec
Width 8951.3 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE H₁ 499.8025836 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 23 sec





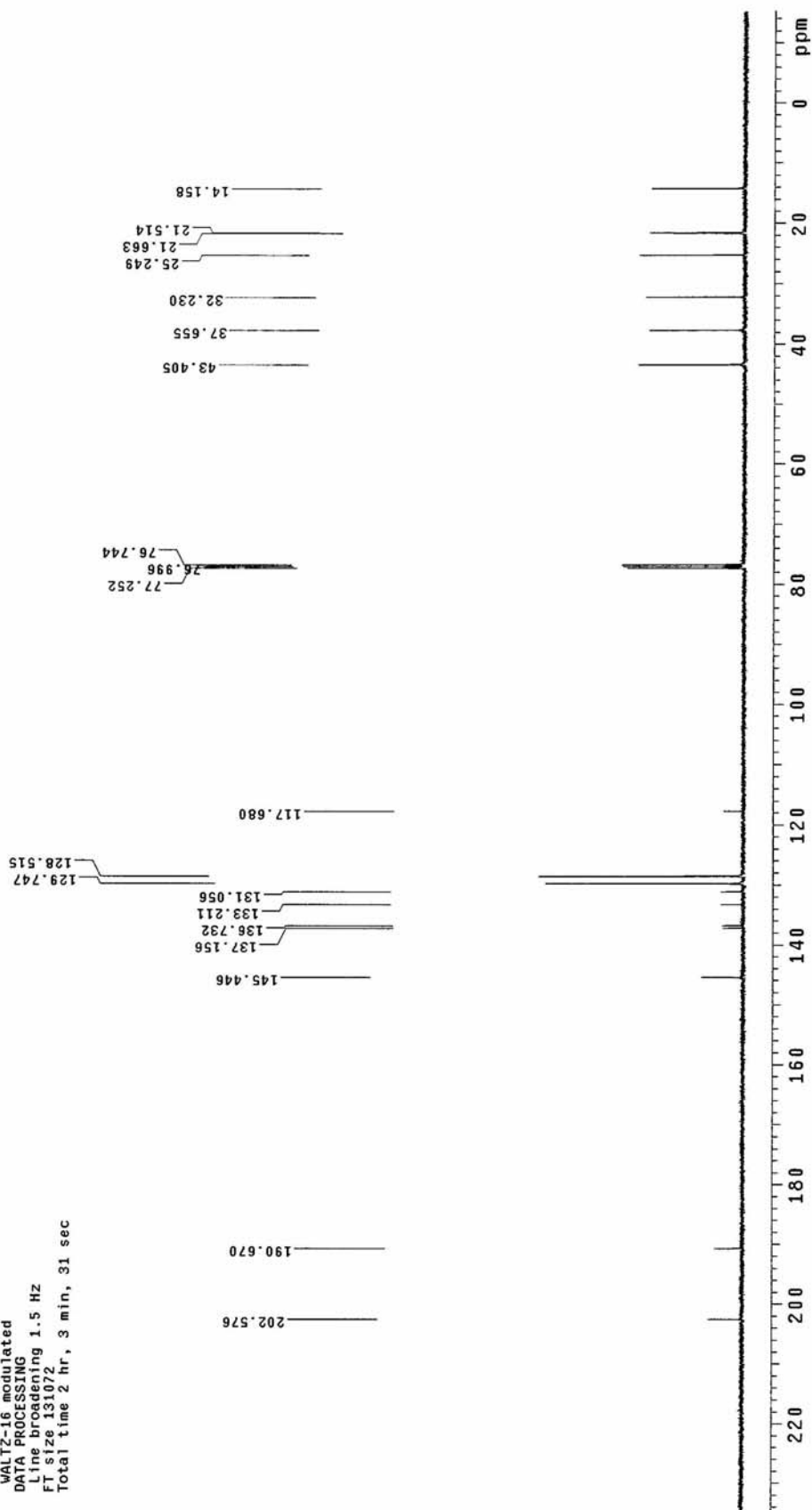
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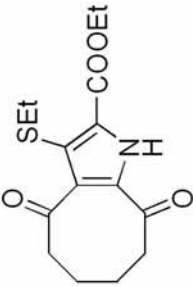
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Archive directory: /export/home/ouyy/vnmrsys/data
Sample directory:

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Ambient temperature
User: 1-14-87
File: 1052
INOVA-500 "NENUS00"

Relax. delay 0.500 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 31421.8 Hz
182 repetitions
OBSERVE C13, 125.6754666 MHZ
DECOUPLE H1, 499.8050905 MHZ
Power 42 dB,
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 1.5 Hz
FT size 131072
Total time 2 hr, 3 min, 31 sec





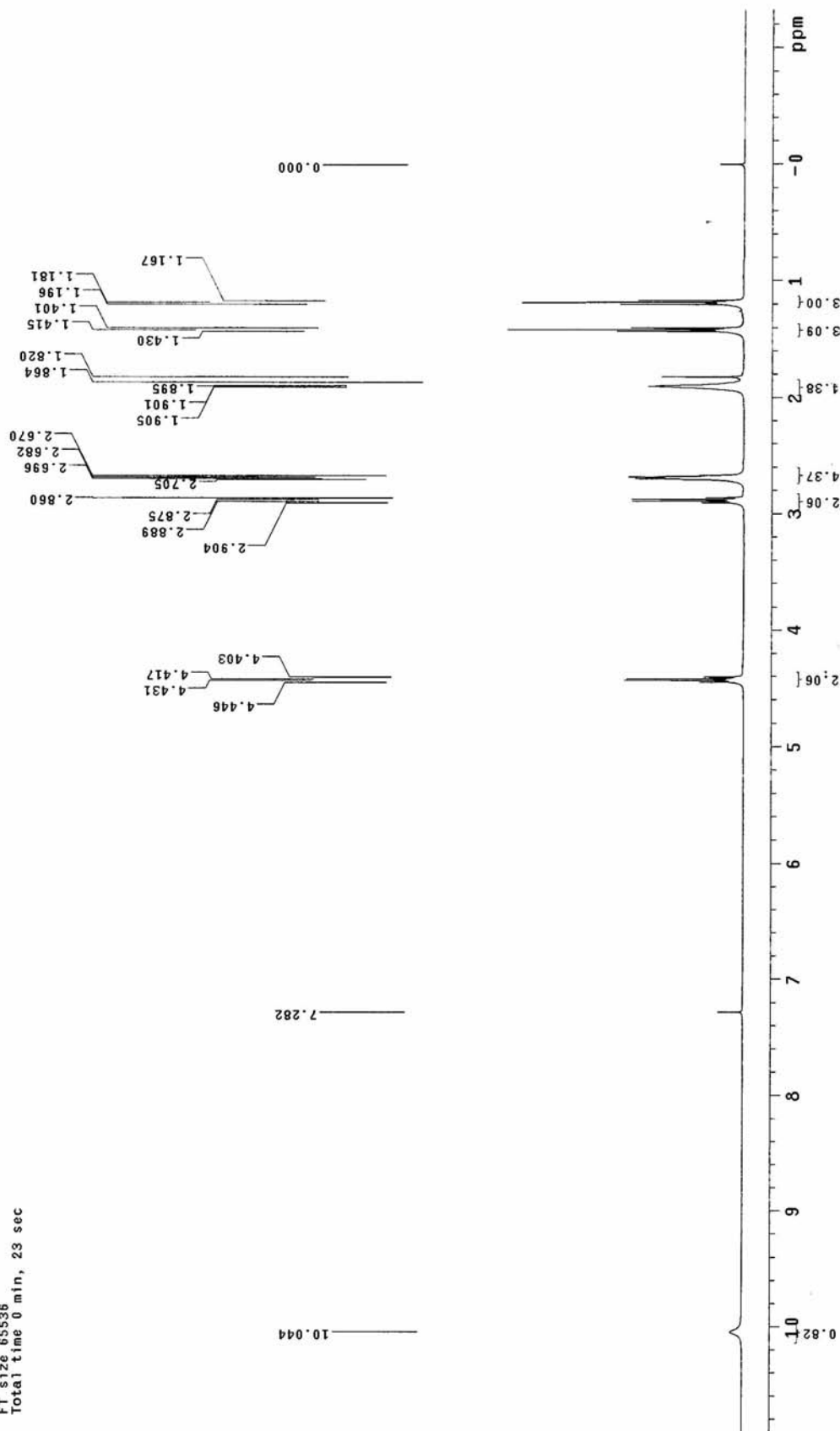
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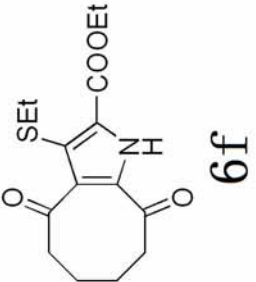
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Archive directory: /export/home/ouyy/vnmrsys/data
Sample directory:

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: CDCl3
Ambient temperature
File: 1148
INOVA-500 "NENU500"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.892 sec
Width 9351.3 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE H1, 499.8025799 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
F1 size 65536
Total time 0 min, 23 sec





STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS
Archive directory: /export/home/ouyy/vnmrsys/data
Sample directory:
Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Ambient temperature
User: 1-14-87
File: 1180
INOVA-500 "NENUS00"
Relax. delay 0.500 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 31421.8 Hz
192 Repetitions
OBSERVE C13, 125.6754651 MHZ
DECOUPLE H1, 499.8050905 MHZ
Power 42 dB,
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 1.5 Hz
FT size 131072
Total time 3 hr, 56 sec

