

**Supporting information**

**for**

**Photosolvolysis of bulky (4-hydroxyphenyl)naphthalene derivatives**

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## **1. Experimental procedures and characterization of compounds**

### **1-Bromo-5-nitronaphthalene**

1-Nitronaphthalene (6.92 g, 40 mmol) was placed in a two-necked reaction flask and bromine (2.5 mL, 45 mmol) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was mixed overnight at rt. The crude product was dissolved in chloroform (100 mL) and washed with a saturated Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> solution and water. The organic phase was dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub>. After filtration and removal of the solvent by a rotary evaporation, the crude product was obtained. After purification by a column chromatography on silica gel using ether-hexane (1:9) as eluent 5.42 g (54%) of the pure product was obtained in the form of dark red solid.

Dark red solid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.61 (d, 1H), 8.47 (d, 1H), 8.23 (d, 1H), 7.94 (d, 1H), 7.67 (t, 1H), 7.54 (t, 1H).

### **1-Amino-5-bromonaphthalene**

1-Bromo-5-nitronaphthalene (5.30 g, 37.6 mmol) was placed in a two-necked flask equipped with a reflux condenser. Acetone (160 mL) and an aqueous solution of NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (4.02 g in 24 mL of water) were added. The resulting suspension was heated until reflux was obtained. Heating was stopped and Zn-powder (9.34 g, 142.8 mmol) was gradually added in the clear solution. After addition of the entire quantity of Zn, the resulting suspension was refluxed 1.5 h and filtered while hot. The precipitate on funnel was washed with hot acetone (20 mL). After removal of the solvent by rotary evaporation, the crude product was dissolved in chloroform (100 mL), the solution was washed with water and dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub>. After filtration and removal of the solvent by rotary evaporation, the crude product was obtained. The product was purified by a chromatography on silica gel using CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> as eluent. 2.33 g (50%) of the pure product were obtained in the form of dark red crystalline solid.

Red crystalline solid; mp 49-51 °C; IR (KBr) ν/cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3383 (N-H), 3074 (C-H), 3043 (C-H), 3017 (C-H); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 7.78-7.69 (m, 2H), 7.69 (d, 1H), 7.35 (t, 1H), 7.22 (t, 1H), 6.78 (d, 1H), 4.11 (br. s, 2H).

### 1-Bromo-5-iodonaphthalene

1-Amino-5-bromonaphthalene (504 mg, 2.27 mmol), conc. HCl (1 mL), water (1 mL) and finely crushed ice (2.5 g) were placed in a round-bottomed flask and well mixed to form a suspension. With external cooling (ice bath), a solution of NaNO<sub>2</sub> (161 mg, 2.32 mmol) in cold water (1 mL) was added. The resulting mixture was stirred for 10 min. A cold solution of KI (404 mg, 2.43 mmol, in 1 mL of water) was added dropwise accompanied with an extensive foaming of the reaction mixture. The reaction mixture was mixed 1 h at 0 °C and at rt overnight. The next day, the reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 30 min. After cooling, the product was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 × 15 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub>. After filtration and removal of the solvent by rotary evaporation, the crude product was obtained. The product was purified by a chromatography on silica gel using hexane as eluent. 520 mg (69 %) of the product were obtained in the form of white crystalline solid.

White crystalline solid; mp 105-106 °C; IR (KBr)  $\nu/\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3039 (C-H), 3007 (C-H); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  (ppm) 8.28 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 8.13 (*quasi-t*, 2H), 7.84 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 7.41 (t, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.28 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz).

## 2. Irradiations of compounds 7, 9, 11 and 12 under different conditions

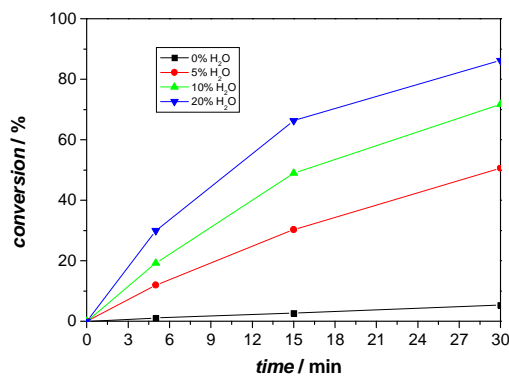


Fig S1. Conversion of **7** to **22** on photolysis (8 lamps, 300 nm) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH-H<sub>2</sub>O with different H<sub>2</sub>O content.

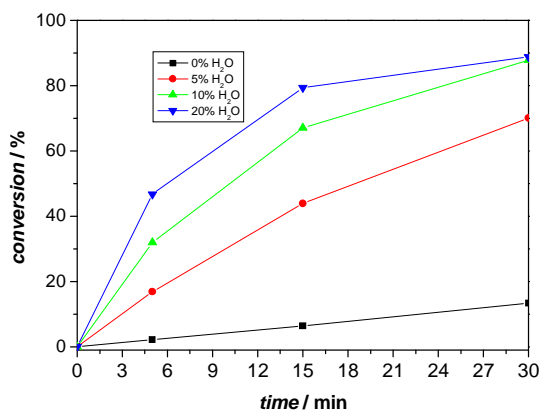


Fig S2. Conversion of **9** to **23** on photolysis (8 lamps, 300 nm) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH-H<sub>2</sub>O with different H<sub>2</sub>O content.

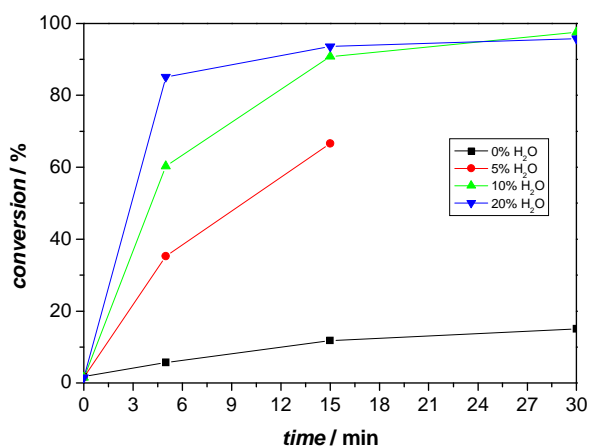


Fig S3. Conversion of **11** to **24** on photolysis (8 lamps, 300 nm) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH-H<sub>2</sub>O with different H<sub>2</sub>O content.

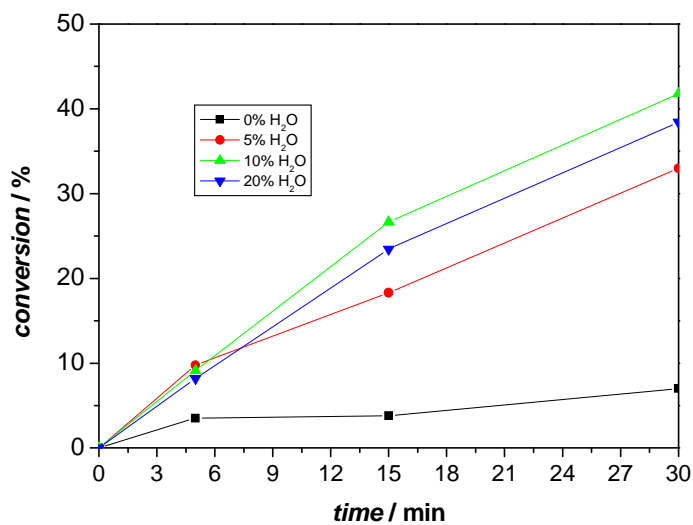


Fig S4. Conversion of **12** to **25** on photolysis (8 lamps, 300 nm) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH-H<sub>2</sub>O with different H<sub>2</sub>O content.

### 3. UV-vis and Fluorescence spectra of 7-12

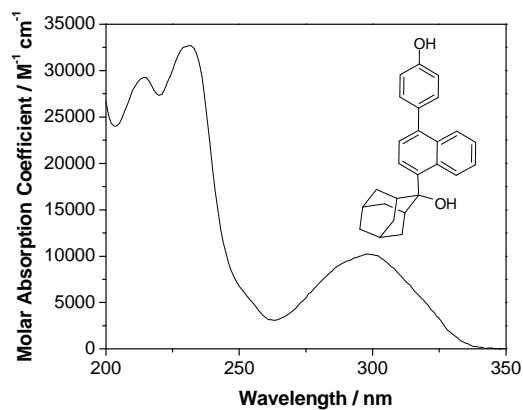


Fig S5. Absorption spectrum of **7** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN.

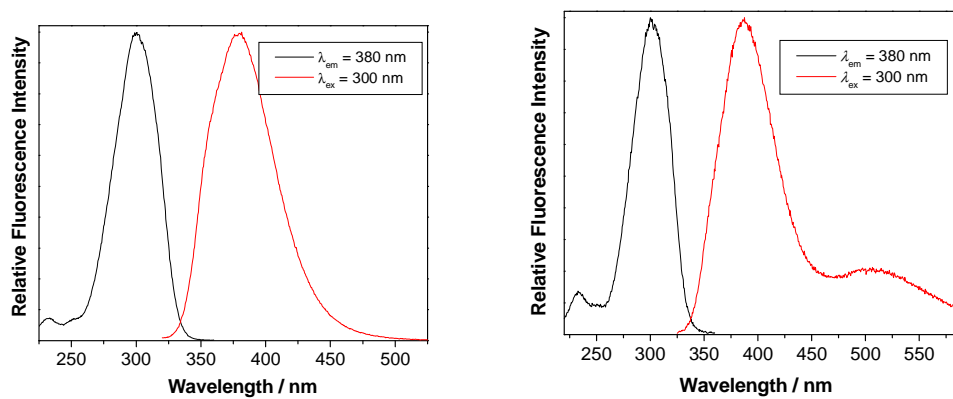


Fig S6. Excitation and emission spectra of **7** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (left) and CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) (right).

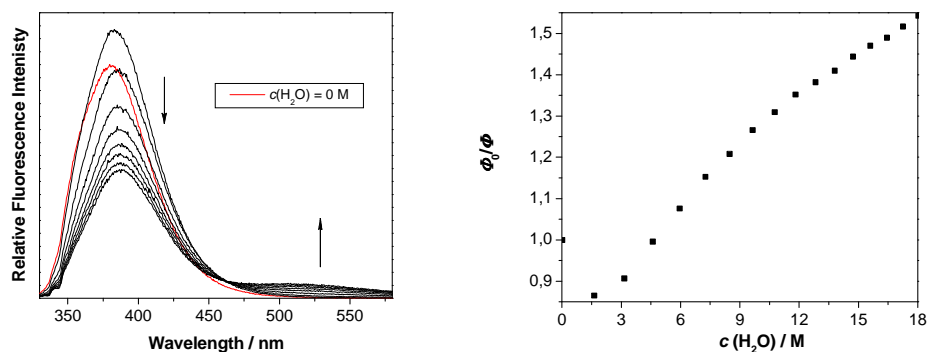


Fig S7. Fluorescence spectra of **7** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at different H<sub>2</sub>O concentration (left) and the corresponding Stern-Volmer quenching plot (right).

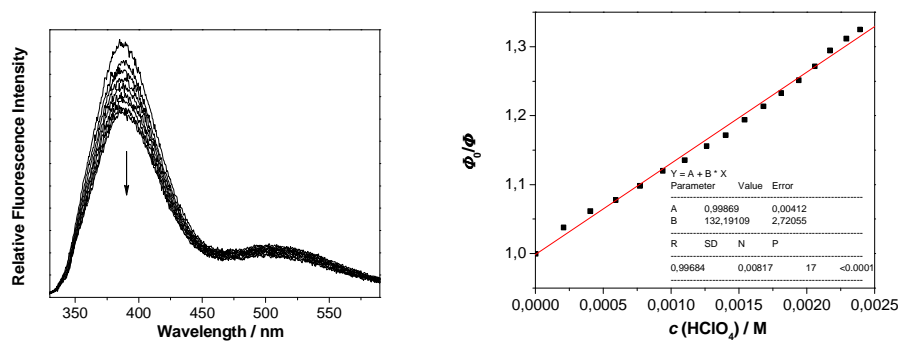


Fig S8. Fluorescence spectra of **7** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) at different HClO<sub>4</sub> concentration (left) and the corresponding Stern-Volmer quenching plot (right).

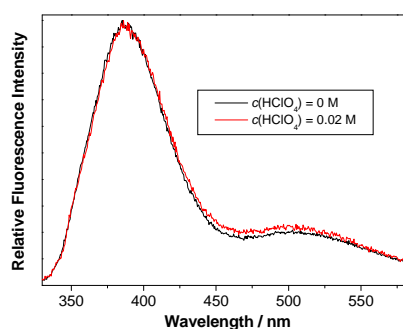


Fig S9. Normalized fluorescence spectra of **7** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) at different HClO<sub>4</sub> concentration.



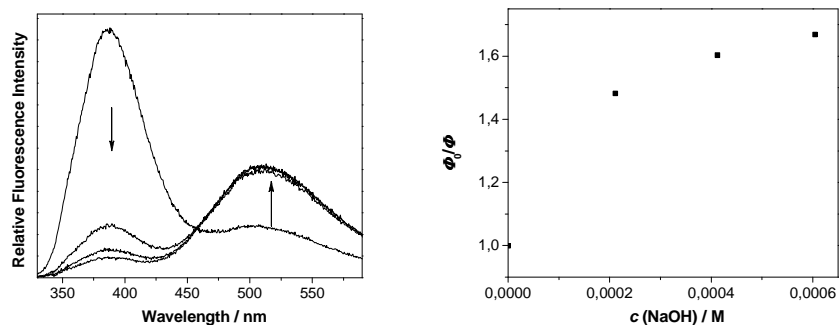


Fig S10. Fluorescence spectra of **7** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) at different NaOH concentration (left) and the corresponding Stern-Volmer quenching plot (right).

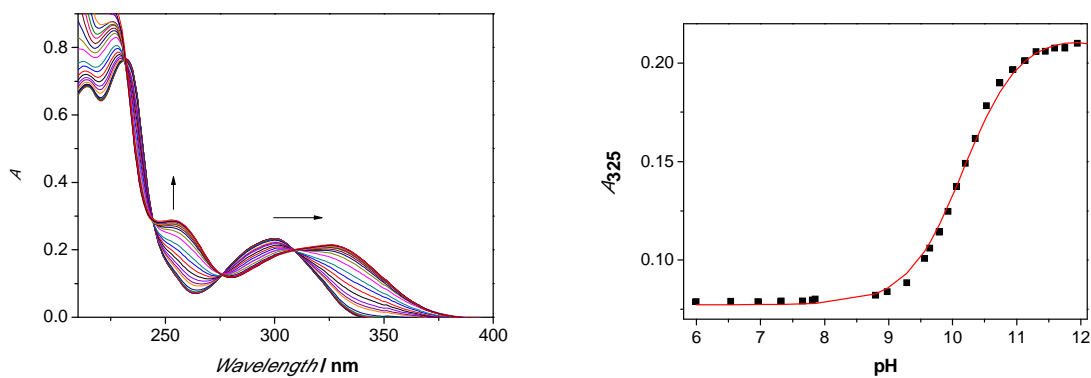


Fig S11. Absorption spectra of **7** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (3:7) at different pH. Dependence of the absorbance at 326 nm on pH (right). Black dots are the experimental values, red line is the calculated fit.

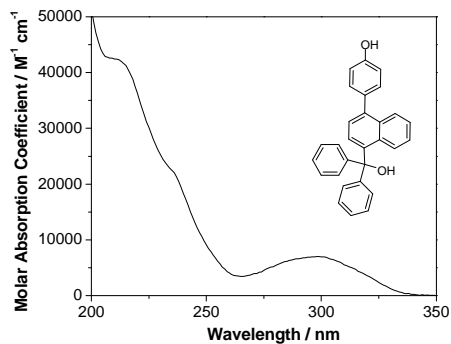


Fig S12. Absorption spectrum of **8** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN.

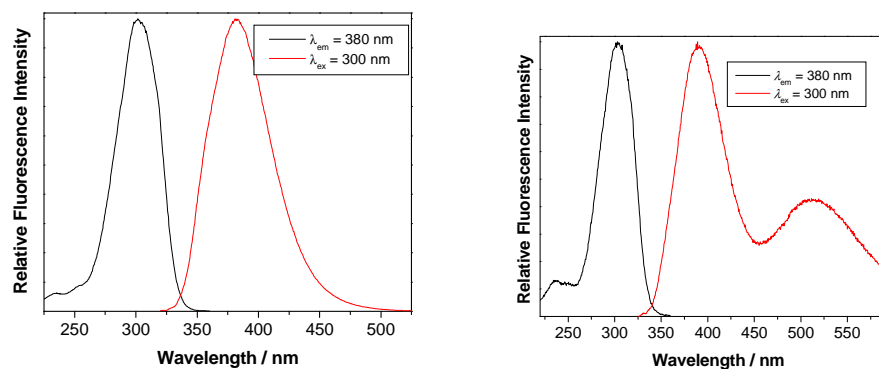


Fig S13. Excitation and emission spectra of **8** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (left) and CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) (right).

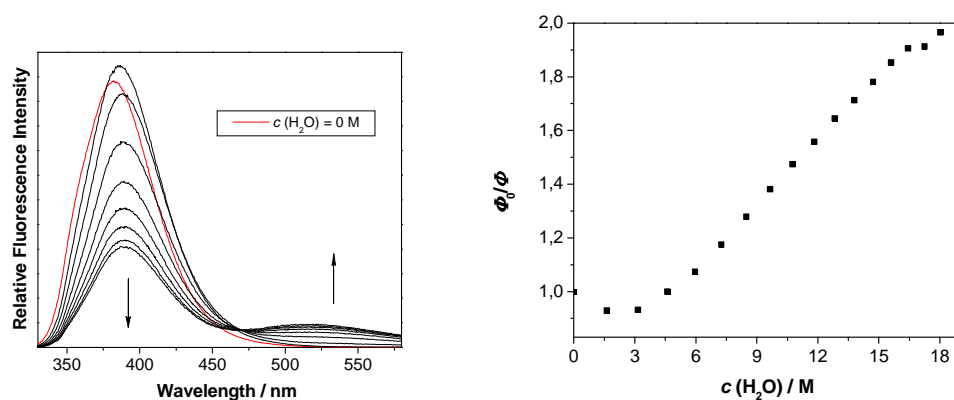


Fig S14. Fluorescence spectra of **8** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at different H<sub>2</sub>O concentration (left) and the corresponding Stern-Volmer quenching plot (right).

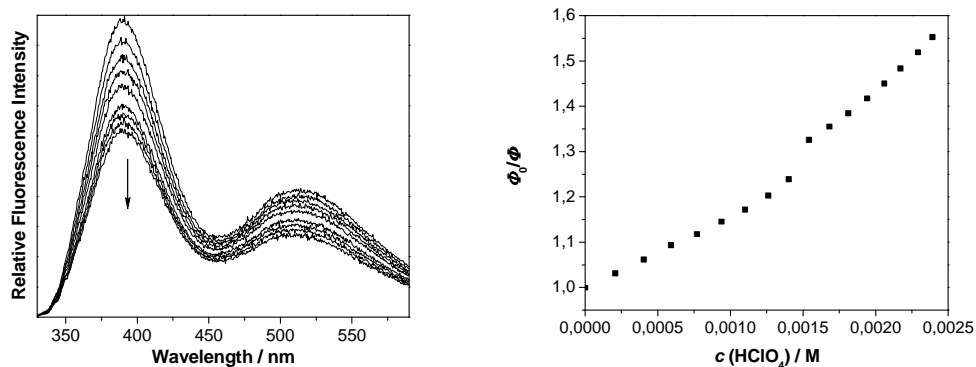


Fig S15. Fluorescence spectra of **8** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) at different HClO<sub>4</sub> concentration (left) and the corresponding Stern-Volmer quenching plot (right).

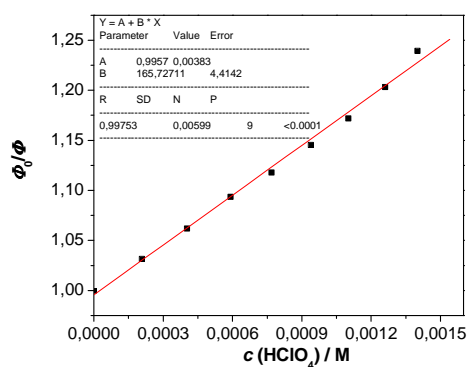


Fig S16. Stern-Volmer plot for the quenching of **8** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) by HClO<sub>4</sub>.

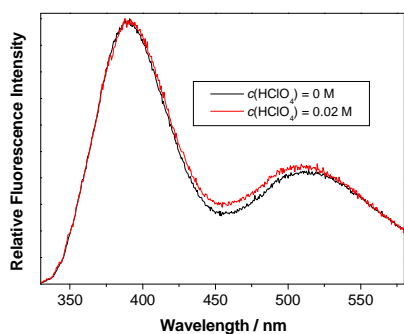


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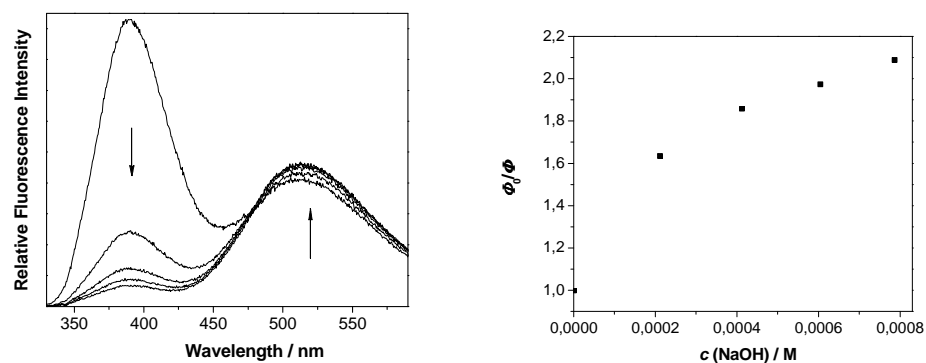


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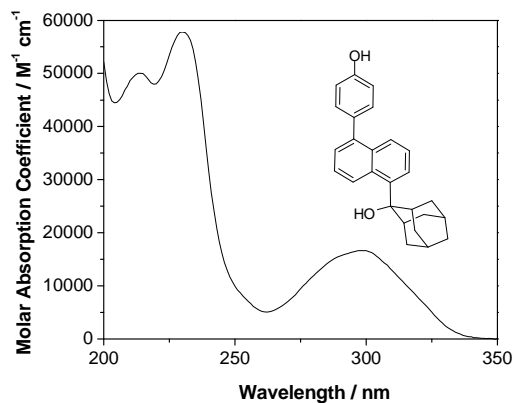


Fig S19. Absorption spectrum of **9** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN.

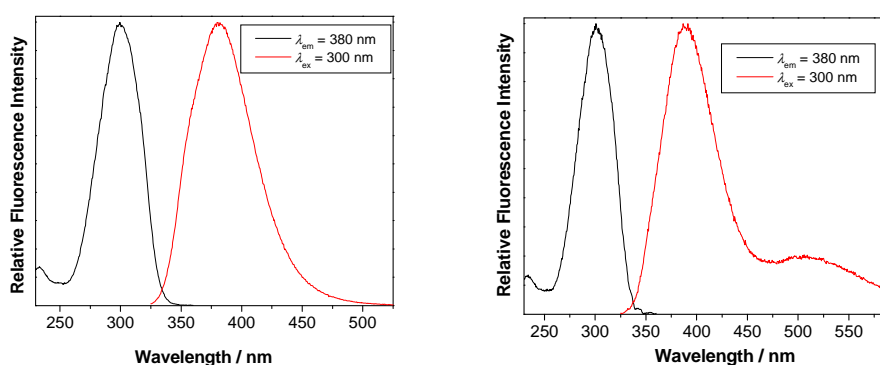


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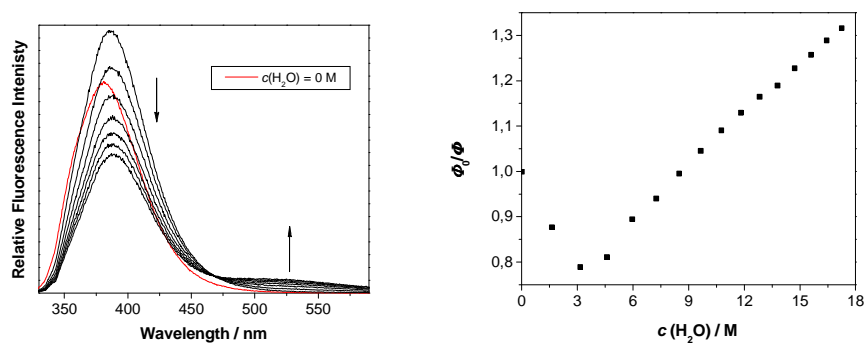


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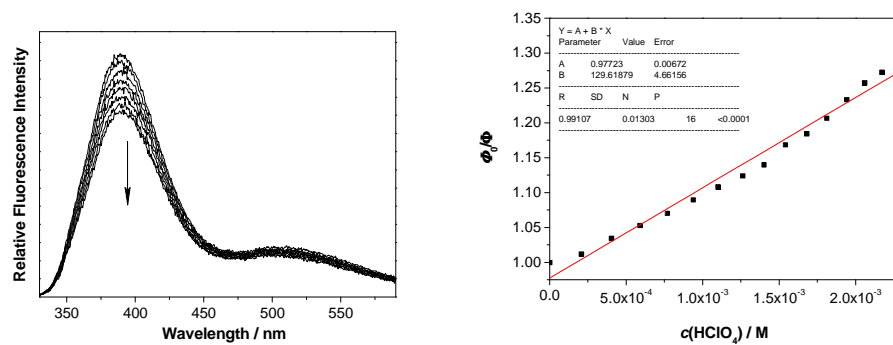


Fig S22. Fluorescence spectra of **9** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) at different HClO<sub>4</sub> concentration (left) and the corresponding Stern-Volmer quenching plot (right).

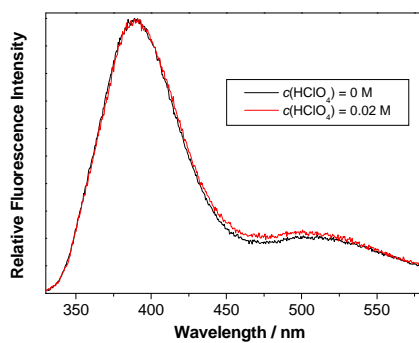


Fig S23. Normalized fluorescence spectra of **9** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) at different HClO<sub>4</sub> concentration.

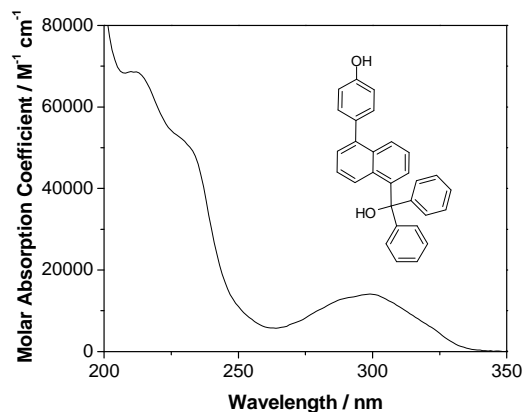


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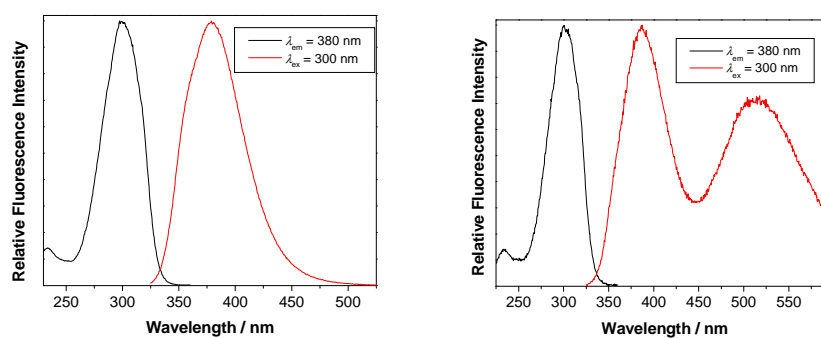


Fig S25. Excitation and emission spectra of **10** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (left) and CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) (right).

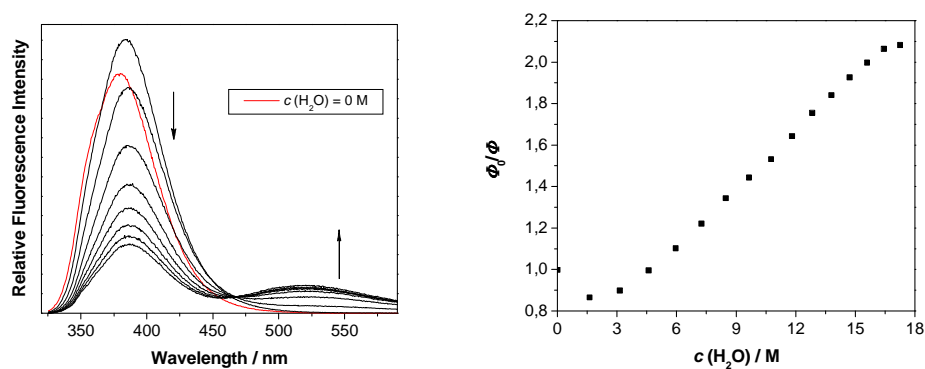


Fig S26. Fluorescence spectra of **10** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at different H<sub>2</sub>O concentration (left) and the corresponding Stern-Volmer quenching plot (right).

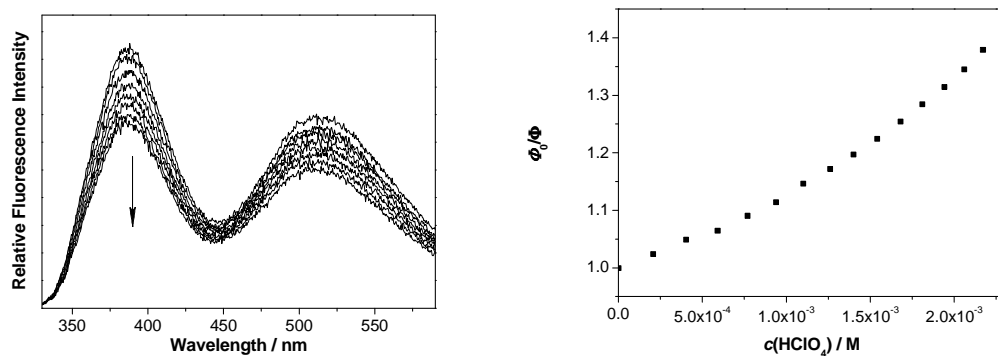


Fig S27. Fluorescence spectra of **10** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) at different HClO<sub>4</sub> concentration (left) and the corresponding Stern-Volmer quenching plot (right).

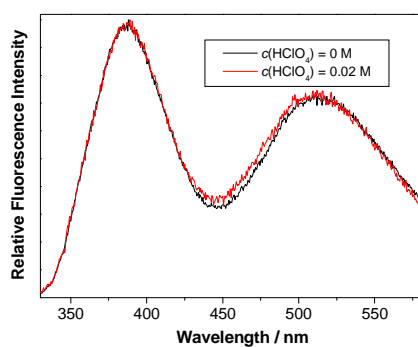


Fig S28. Normalized fluorescence spectra of **10** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) at different HClO<sub>4</sub> concentration.



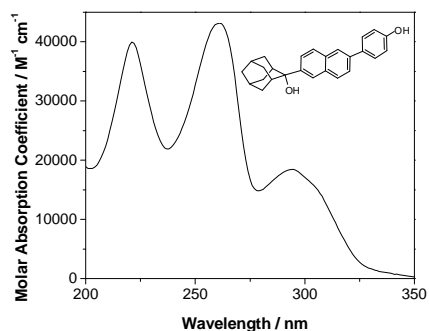


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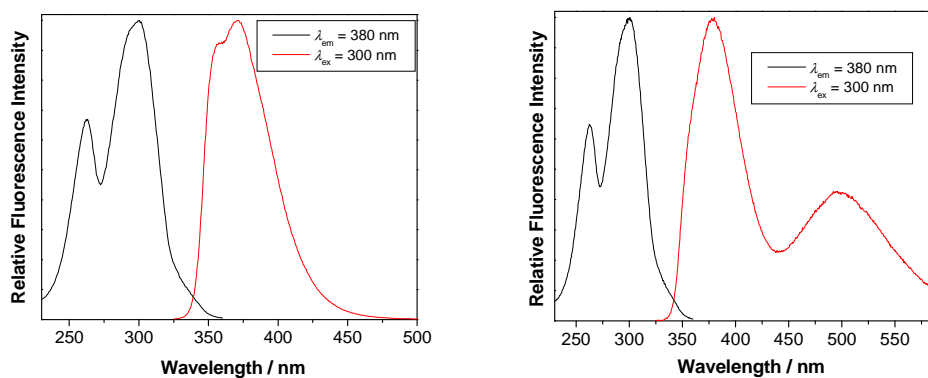


Fig S30. Excitation and emission spectra of **11** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (left) and CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) (right).

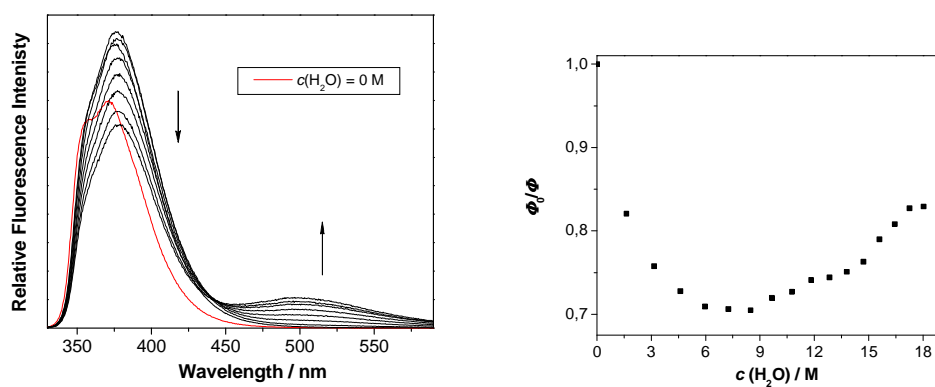


Fig S31. Fluorescence spectra of **11** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN at different H<sub>2</sub>O concentration (left) and the corresponding Stern-Volmer quenching plot (right).

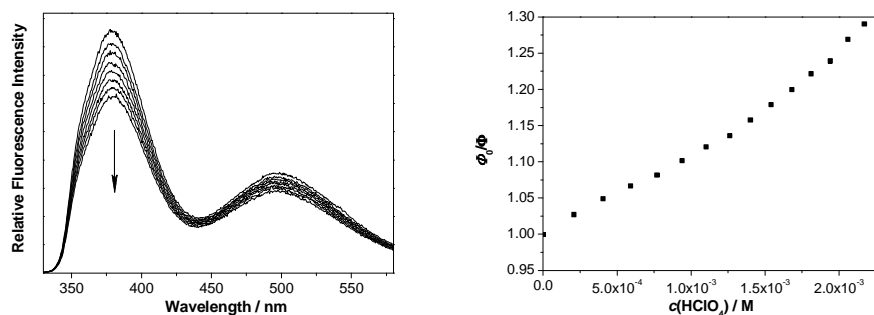


Fig S32. Fluorescence spectra of **11** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) at different HClO<sub>4</sub> concentration (left) and the corresponding Stern-Volmer quenching plot (right).

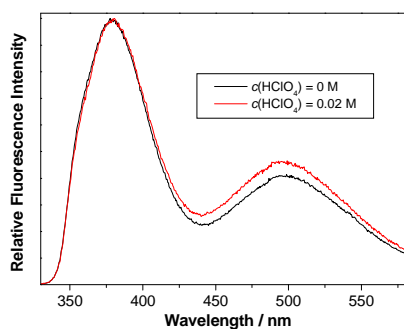


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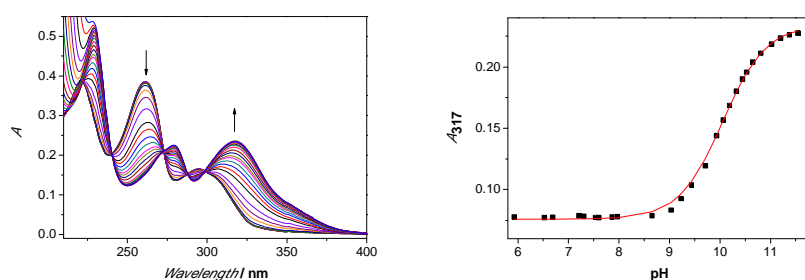


Fig S34. Absorption spectra of **11** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (3:7) at different pH. Dependence of the absorbance at 317 nm on pH (right). Black dots are the experimental values, red line is the calculated fit.

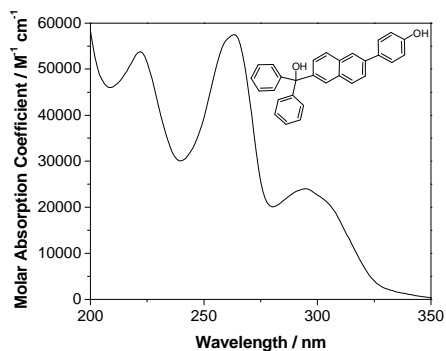


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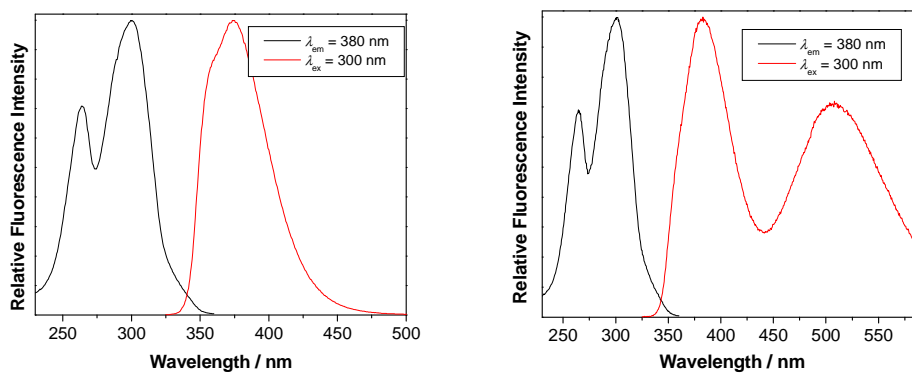


Fig S36. Excitation and emission spectra of **12** in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$  (left) and  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (1:1) (right).

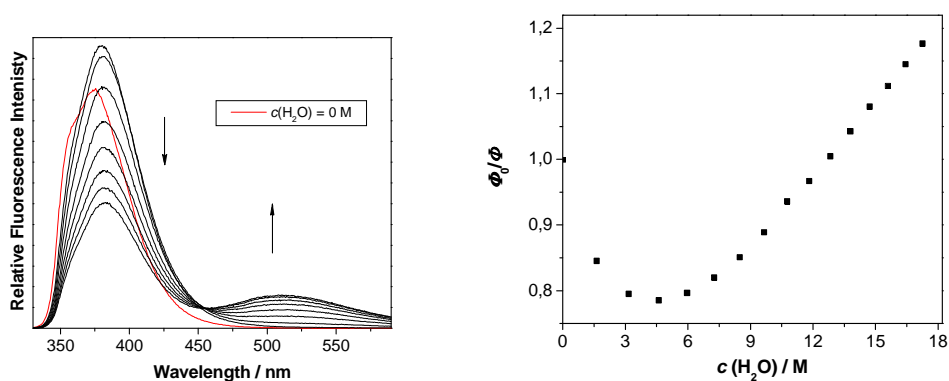


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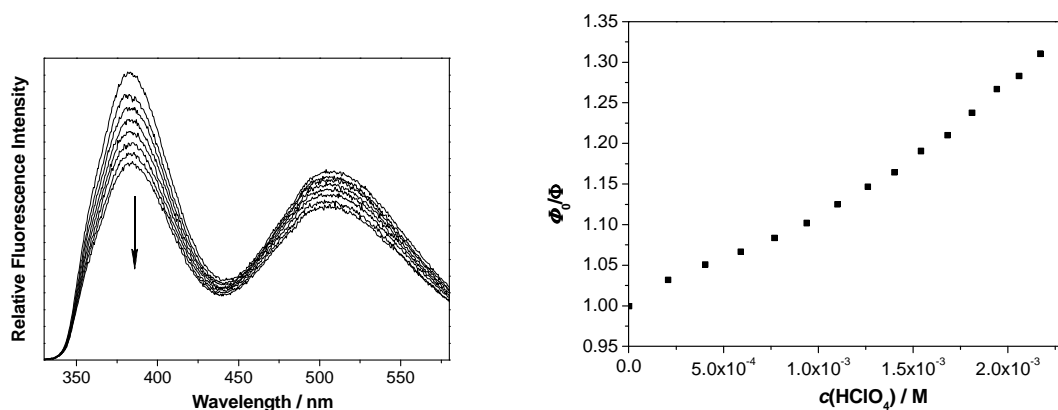


Fig S38. Fluorescence spectra of **12** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) at different HClO<sub>4</sub> concentration (left) and the corresponding Stern-Volmer quenching plot (right).

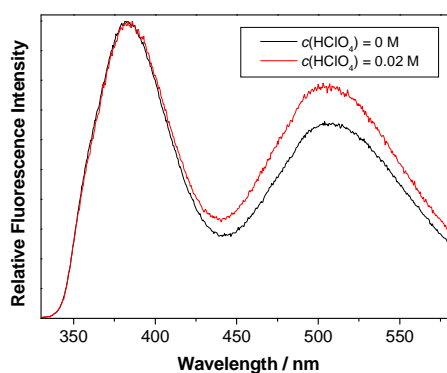


Fig S39. Normalized fluorescence spectra of **12** in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) at different HClO<sub>4</sub> concentration.

#### 4. Laser Flash Photolysis (LFP)

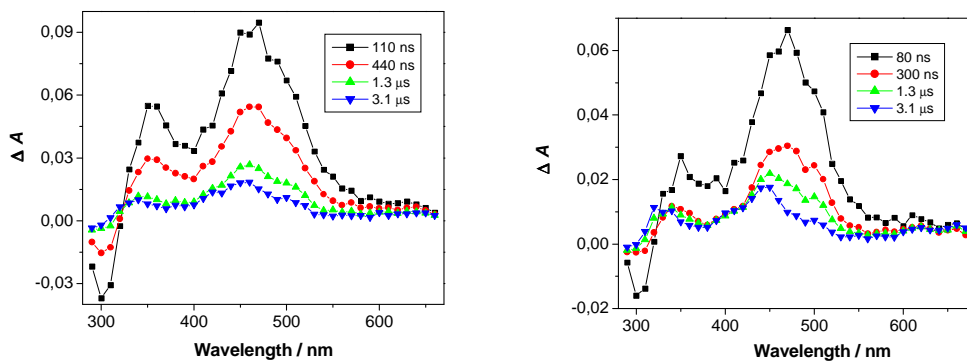


Fig S40. Transient absorption spectra of **7** in N<sub>2</sub>-purged (left) and O<sub>2</sub>-purged (right) CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution.

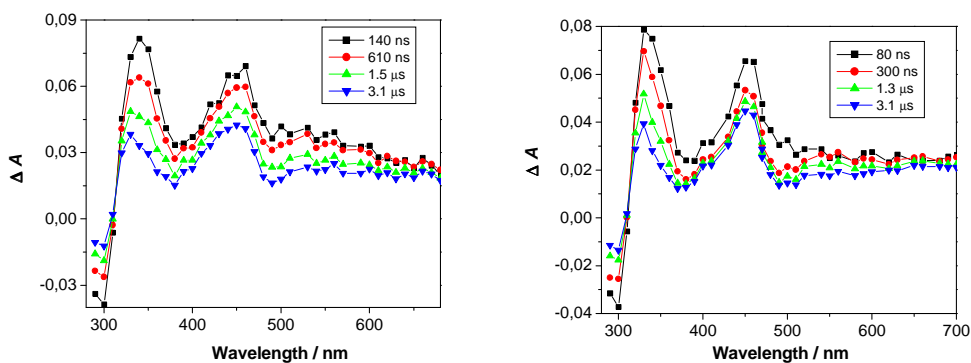


Fig S41. Transient absorption spectra of **7** in N<sub>2</sub>-purged (left) and O<sub>2</sub>-purged (right) CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) solution.

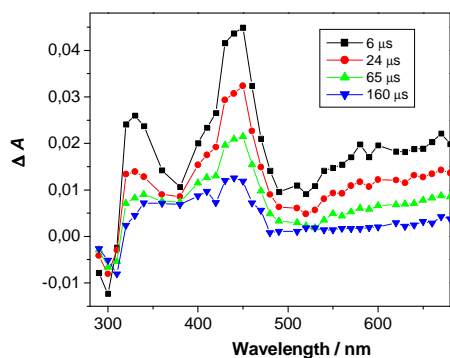


Fig S42. Transient absorption spectra of **7** in O<sub>2</sub>-purged CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) solution.

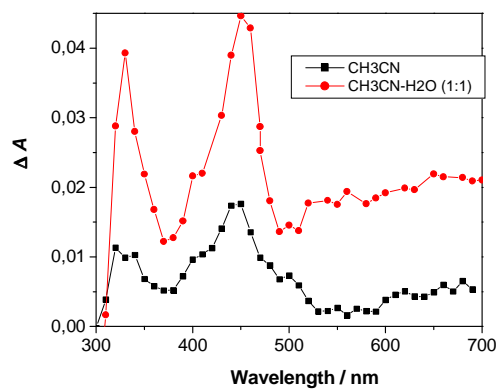


Fig S43. Transient absorption spectra of **7** in O<sub>2</sub>-purged CH<sub>3</sub>CN and CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) solution 3  $\mu$ s after the laser pulse.

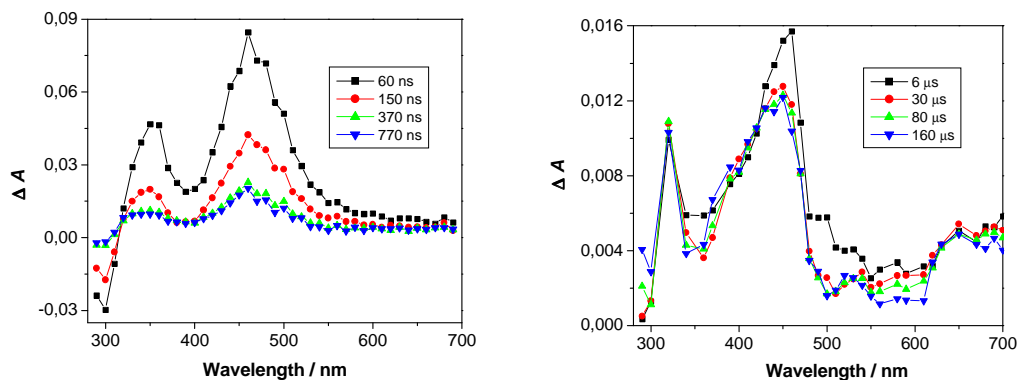


Fig S44. Transient absorption spectra of **7** in O<sub>2</sub>-purged TFE solution.

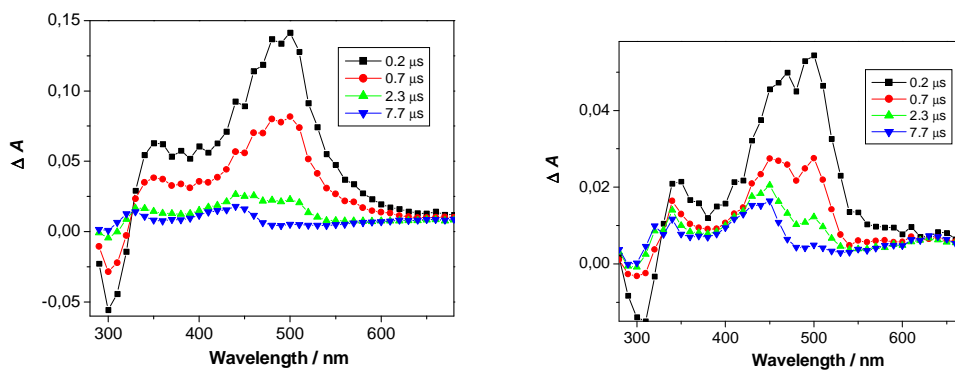


Fig S45. Transient absorption spectra of **8** in N<sub>2</sub>-purged (left) and O<sub>2</sub>-purged (right) CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution.

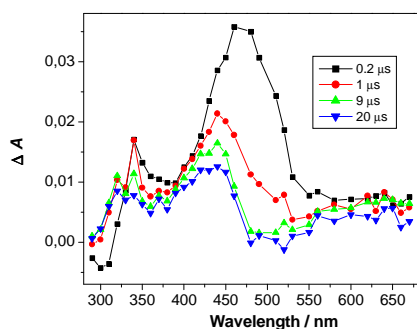


Fig S46. Transient absorption spectra of **8** in O<sub>2</sub>-purged CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution.

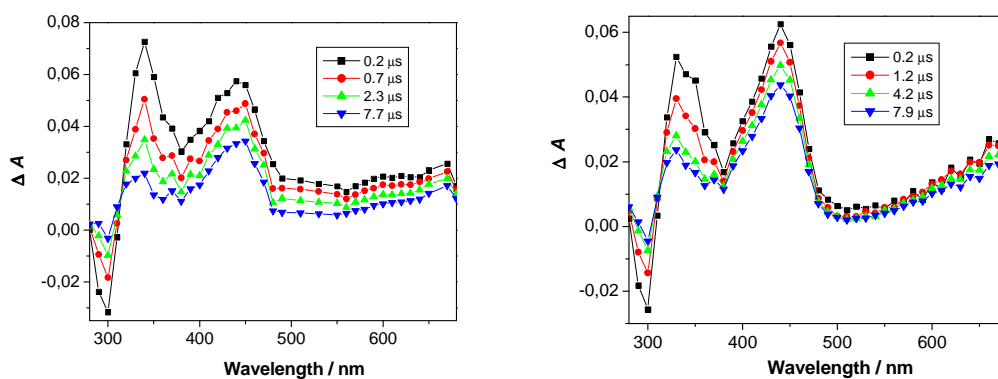


Fig S47. Transient absorption spectra of **8** in  $N_2$ -purged (left) and  $O_2$ -purged (right)  $CH_3CN-H_2O$  (1:1) solution.

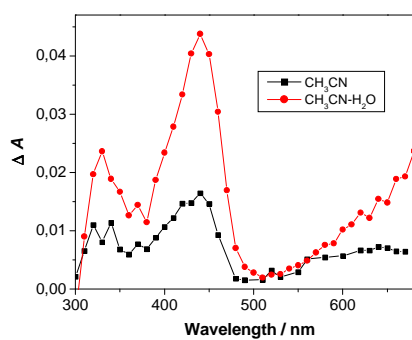


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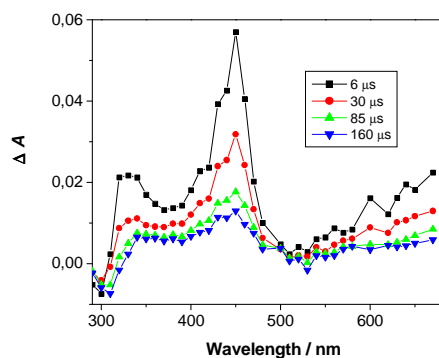


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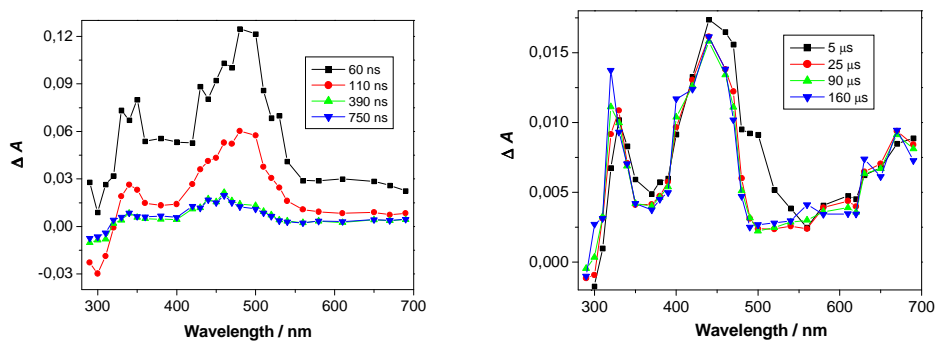


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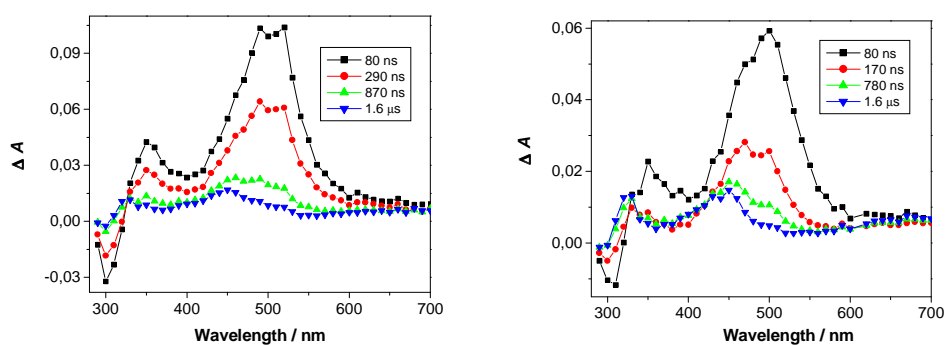


Fig S51. Transient absorption spectra of **9** in N<sub>2</sub>-purged (left) and O<sub>2</sub>-purged (right) CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution.

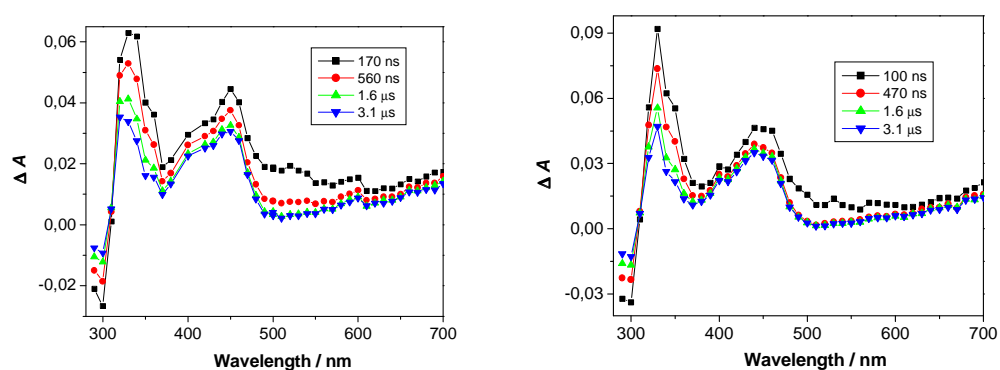


Fig S52. Transient absorption spectra of **9** in N<sub>2</sub>-purged (left) and O<sub>2</sub>-purged (right) CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) solution.

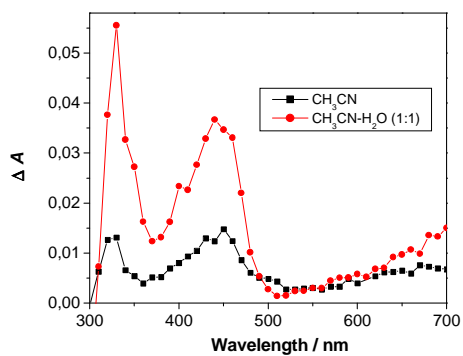


Fig S53. Transient absorption spectra of **9** in O<sub>2</sub>-purged CH<sub>3</sub>CN and CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) solution 1.6 μs after the laser pulse.

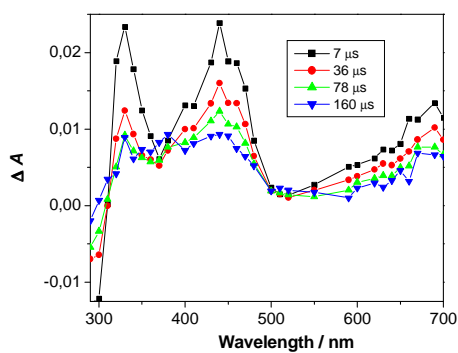


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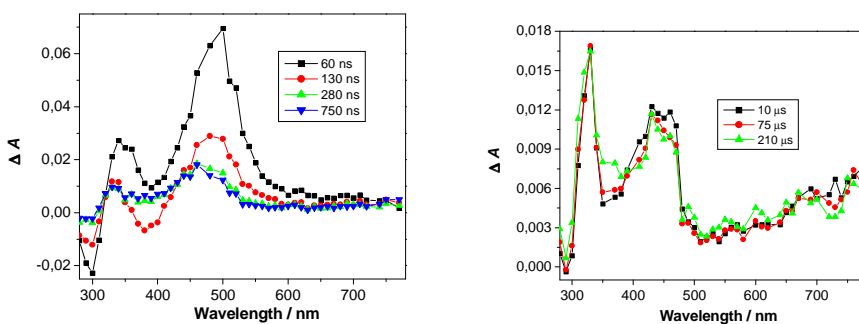


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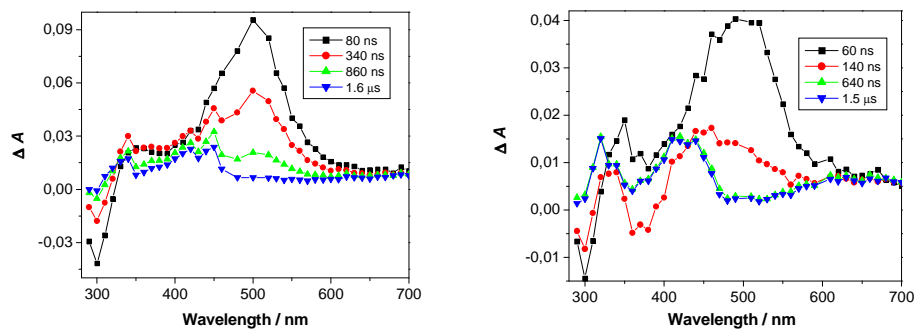


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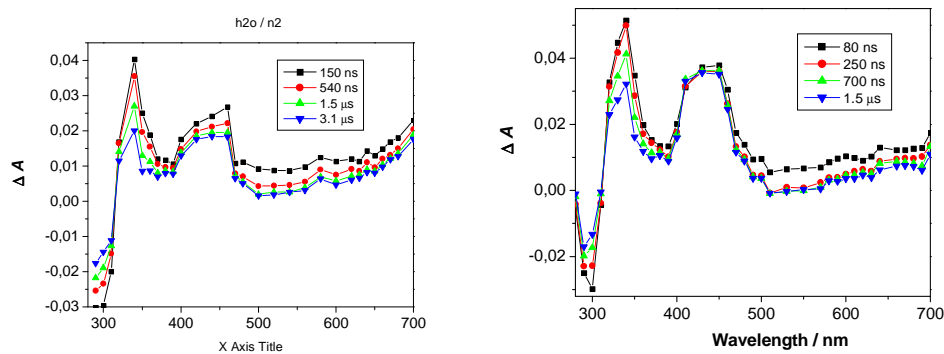


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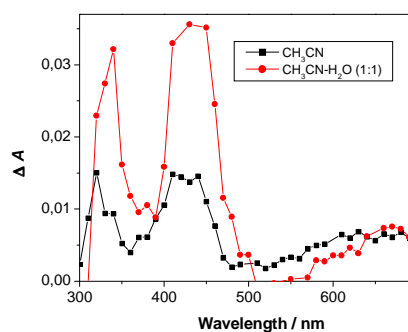


Fig S58. Transient absorption spectra of **10** in O<sub>2</sub>-purged CH<sub>3</sub>CN and CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) solution 1.5 μs after the laser pulse.

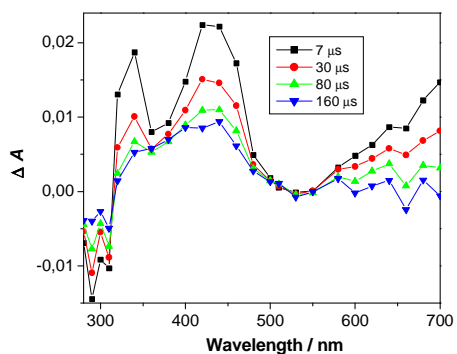


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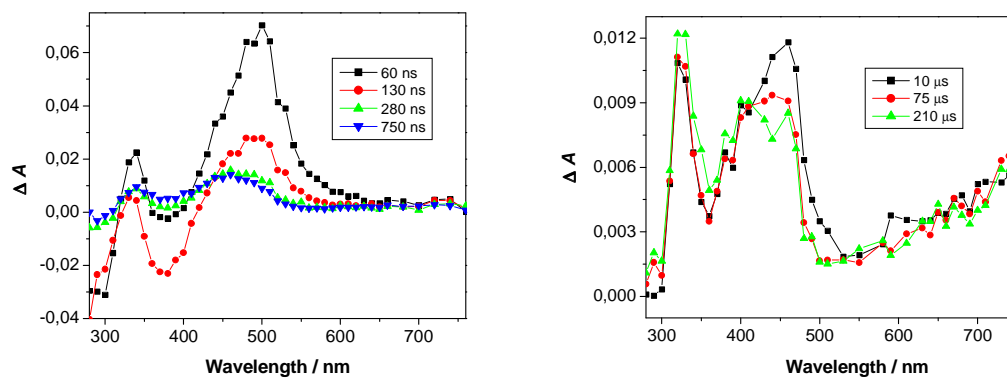


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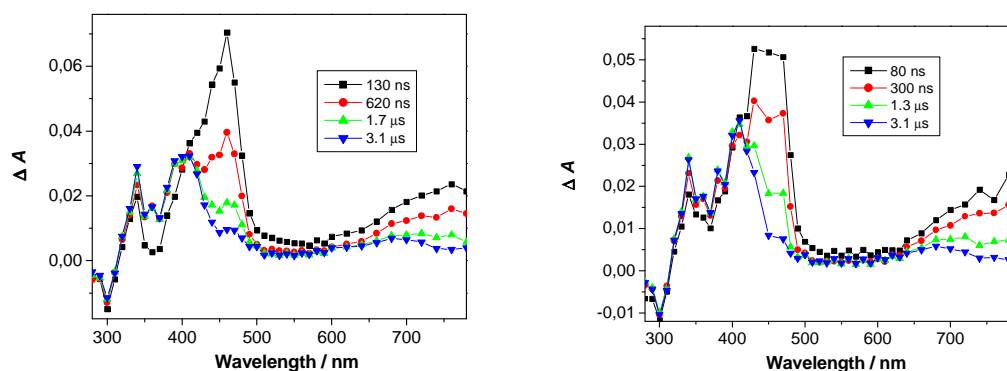


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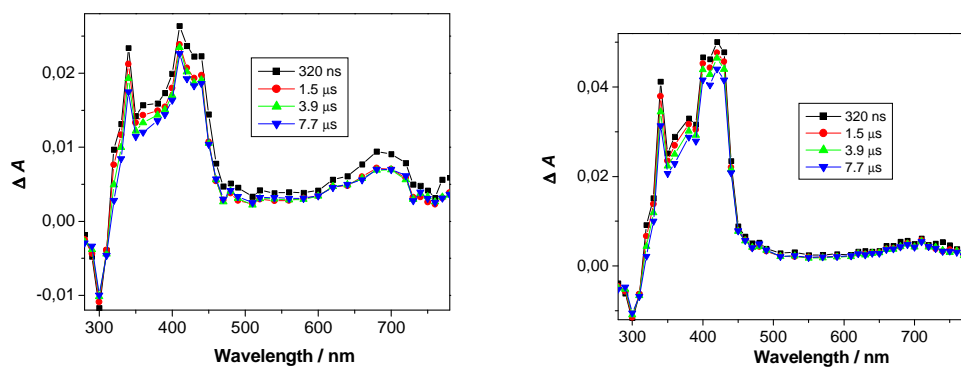


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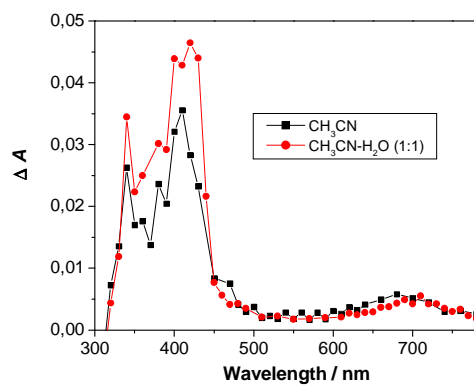


Fig S63. Transient absorption spectra of **11** in O<sub>2</sub>-purged CH<sub>3</sub>CN and CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) solution, 4 μs after the laser pulse.

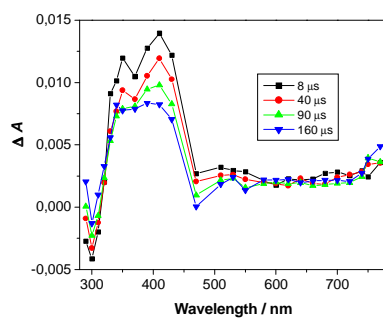


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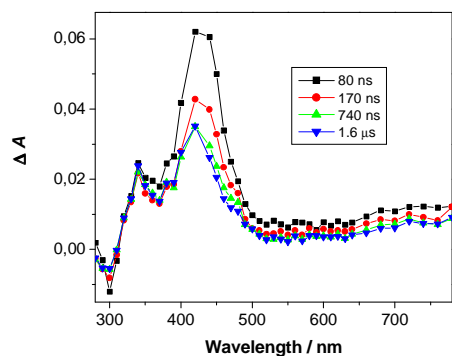


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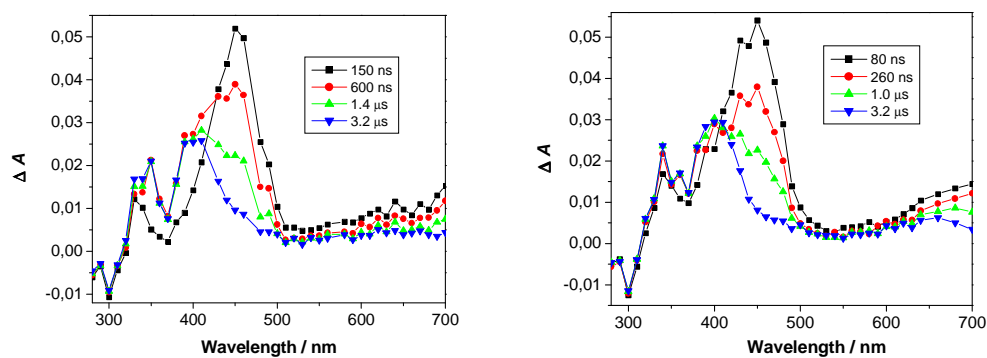


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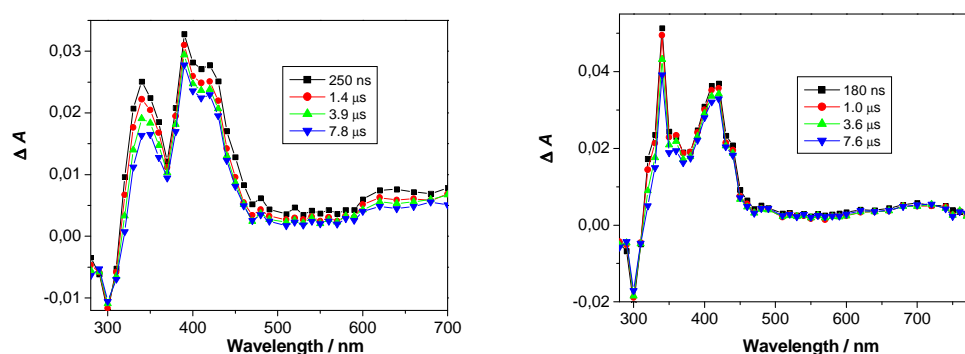


Fig S67. Transient absorption spectra of **12** in N<sub>2</sub>-purged (left) and O<sub>2</sub>-purged (right) CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (1:1) solution.

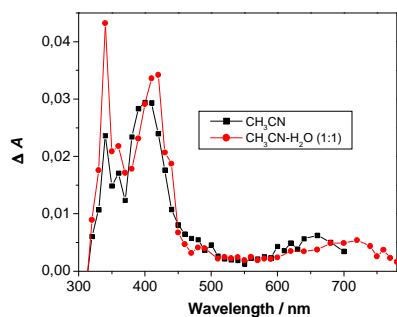


Fig S68. Transient absorption spectra of **12** in  $\text{O}_2$ -purged  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$  and  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN-H}_2\text{O}$  (1:1) solution 3  $\mu\text{s}$  after the laser pulse.

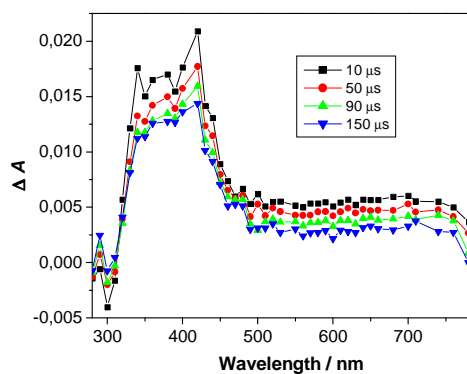


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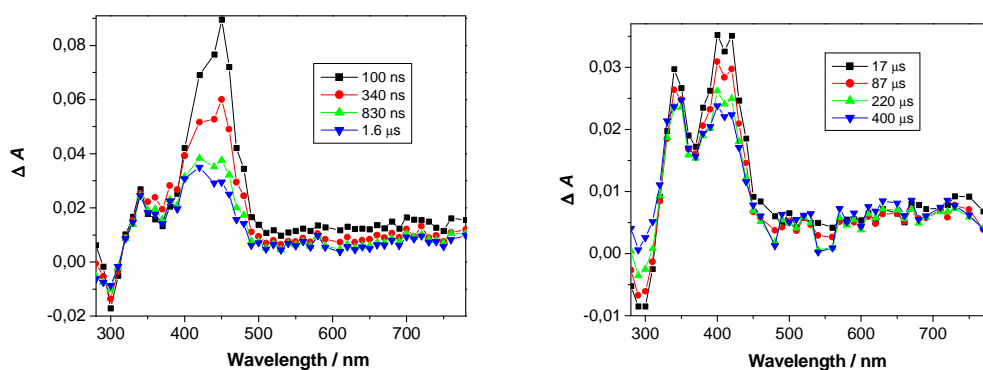
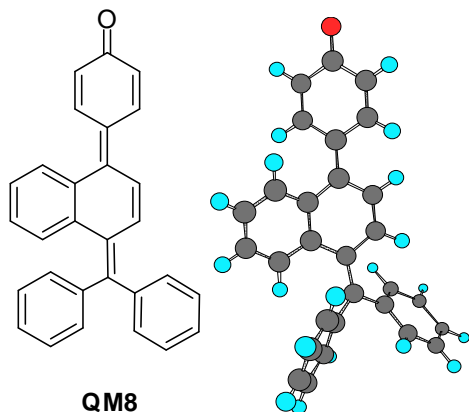


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## 5. Theoretical calculations



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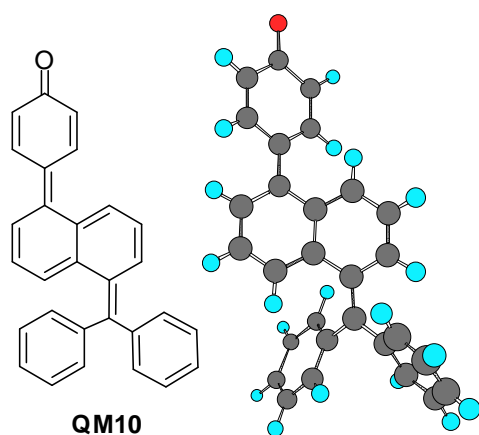
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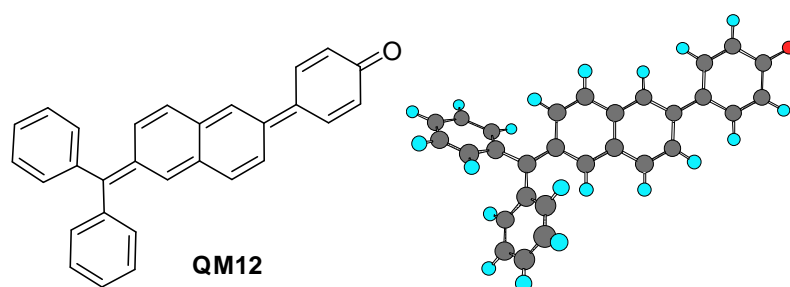
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## **6. Antiproliferative investigation**

The experiments were carried out on three human carcinoma cell lines HCT 116, MCF-7 and H 460. Cells were cultured as monolayers and maintained in Dulbecco's modified Eagle medium (DMEM) supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS), 2mM L-glutamine, 100 U/ml penicillin, and 100 µg/ml streptomycin in a humidified atmosphere with 5% CO<sub>2</sub> at 37 °C.

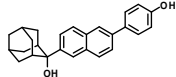
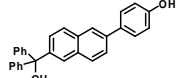
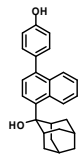
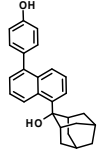
The cells were inoculated in parallel on two 96-well microtiter plates on day 0, at 1.5×10<sup>4</sup> cells/mL. Test agents were added in ten-fold dilutions (10<sup>-8</sup> to 10<sup>-4</sup> M) on the next day and incubated for further 72 h. Working dilutions were freshly prepared on the day of testing. One of the plates was left in the dark, while the other was irradiated in a Luzchem reactor (6 lamps 300 nm, 1 min) 4, 24, and 48 hours after the addition of the compounds. After 72 h of incubation the cell growth rate was evaluated by performing the MTT assay which detects dehydrogenase activity in viable cells. The absorbance (A) was measured on a microplate reader at 570 nm. The absorbance is directly proportional to the number of living, metabolically active cells. The percentage of growth (PG) of the cell lines was calculated according to one or the other of the following two expressions:

If  $(\text{mean } A_{\text{test}} - \text{mean } A_{\text{tzero}}) \geq 0$ , then  $\text{PG} = 100 \times (\text{mean } A_{\text{test}} - \text{mean } A_{\text{tzero}}) / (\text{mean } A_{\text{ctrl}} - \text{mean } A_{\text{tzero}})$ .

If  $(\text{mean } A_{\text{test}} - \text{mean } A_{\text{tzero}}) < 0$ , then:  $\text{PG} = 100 \times (\text{mean } A_{\text{test}} - \text{mean } A_{\text{tzero}}) / A_{\text{tzero}}$ , where the mean  $A_{\text{tzero}}$  is the average of absorbance measurements before exposure of cells to the test compound, the mean  $A_{\text{test}}$  is the average of absorbance measurements after the desired period of time and the mean  $A_{\text{ctrl}}$  is the average of optical density measurements after the desired period of time with no exposure of cells to the test compound. In the experiments where the cells were irradiated,  $A_{\text{ctrl}}$  represents irradiated control cells, which typically showed the 25% growth inhibition compared to  $A_{\text{ctrl}}$  without irradiation.

The results are expressed as IC<sub>50</sub>, which is the concentration necessary for 50% of inhibition. The IC<sub>50</sub> values for each compound are calculated from concentration-response curves using linear regression analysis by fitting the test concentrations that give PG values above and below the reference value (*i.e.* 50%). Each test was performed in quadruplicate in at least two individual experiments.

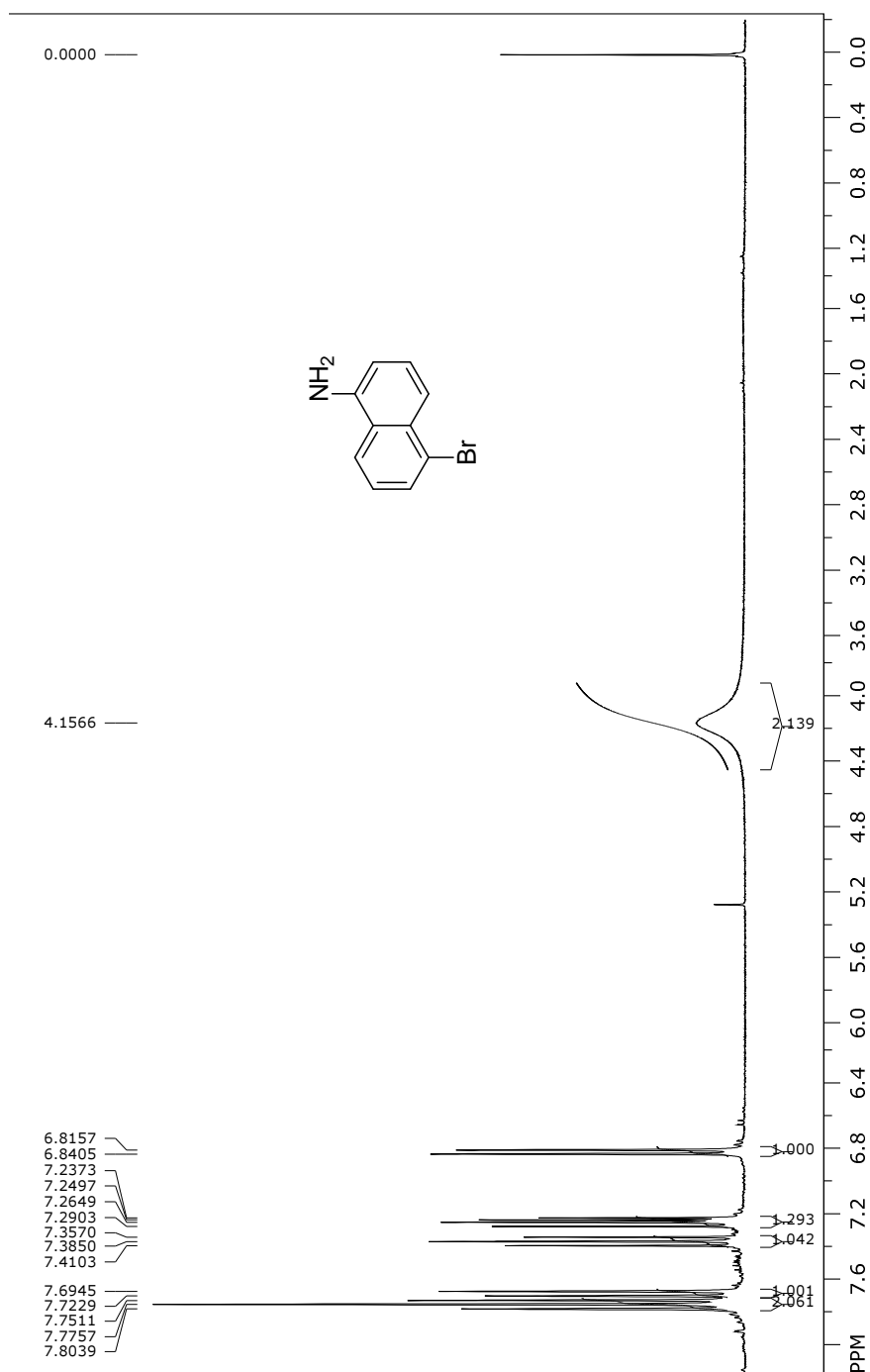
Table S1. IC<sub>50</sub> values (in μM)

Compound	Structure	Cell lines					
		HCT116		MCF-7		H 460	
		Not irradiated	300 nm 3×1 min	Not irradiated	300 nm 3×1 min	Not irradiated	300 nm 3×1 min
11		5±0.1	5±2	4±2	3±1	10±1	7±3
12		19±1	21±1	19±2	18±2	17±1	18±1
7		18±1	15±1	17±2	13±1	16±2	15±3
9		17±2	13±1	16±4	14±2	15±1	12±1

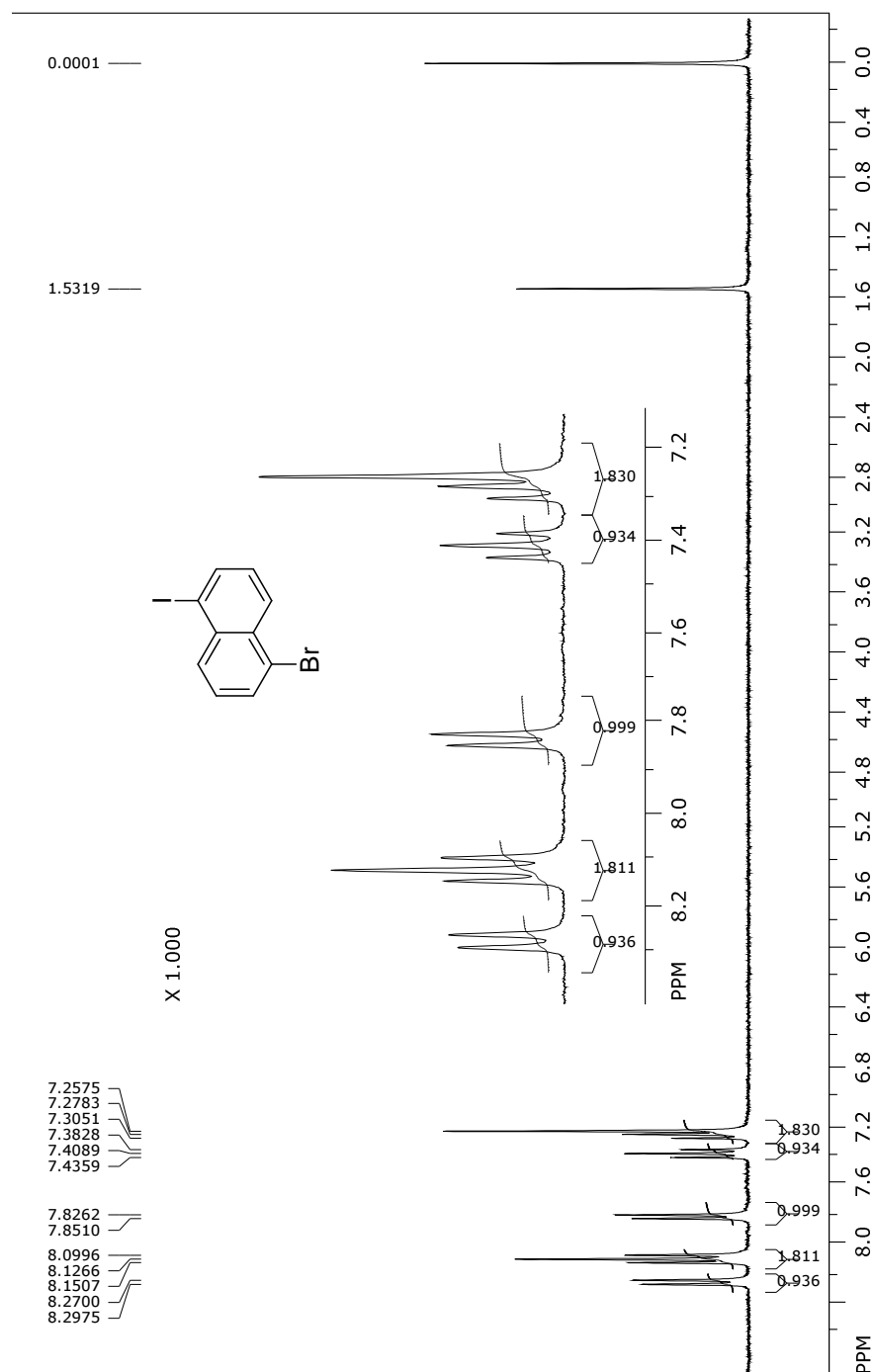
<sup>a</sup> GI<sub>50</sub>; the concentration that causes 50% growth inhibition

<sup>b</sup> LET; Laboratory of Experimental Therapy

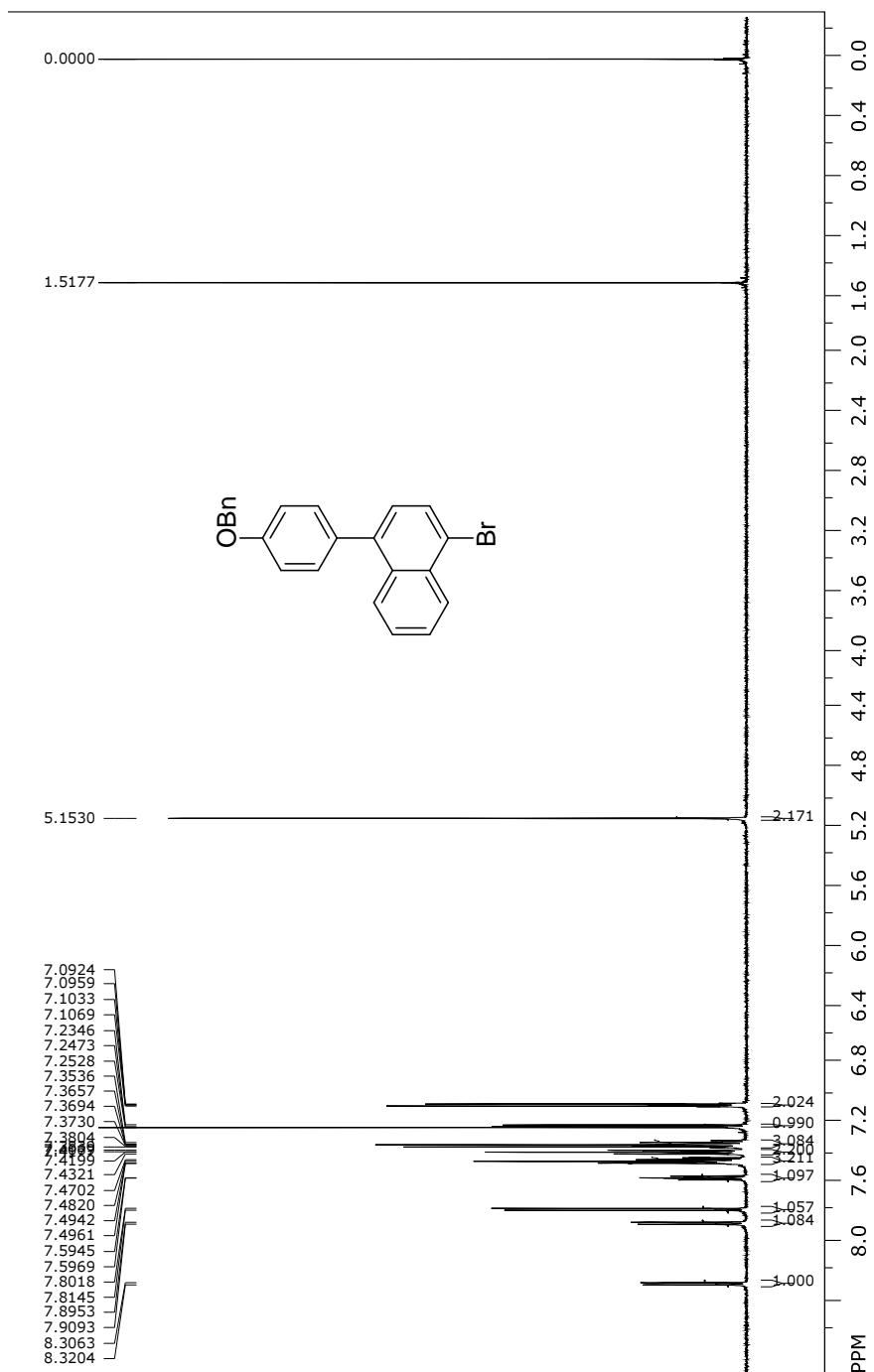
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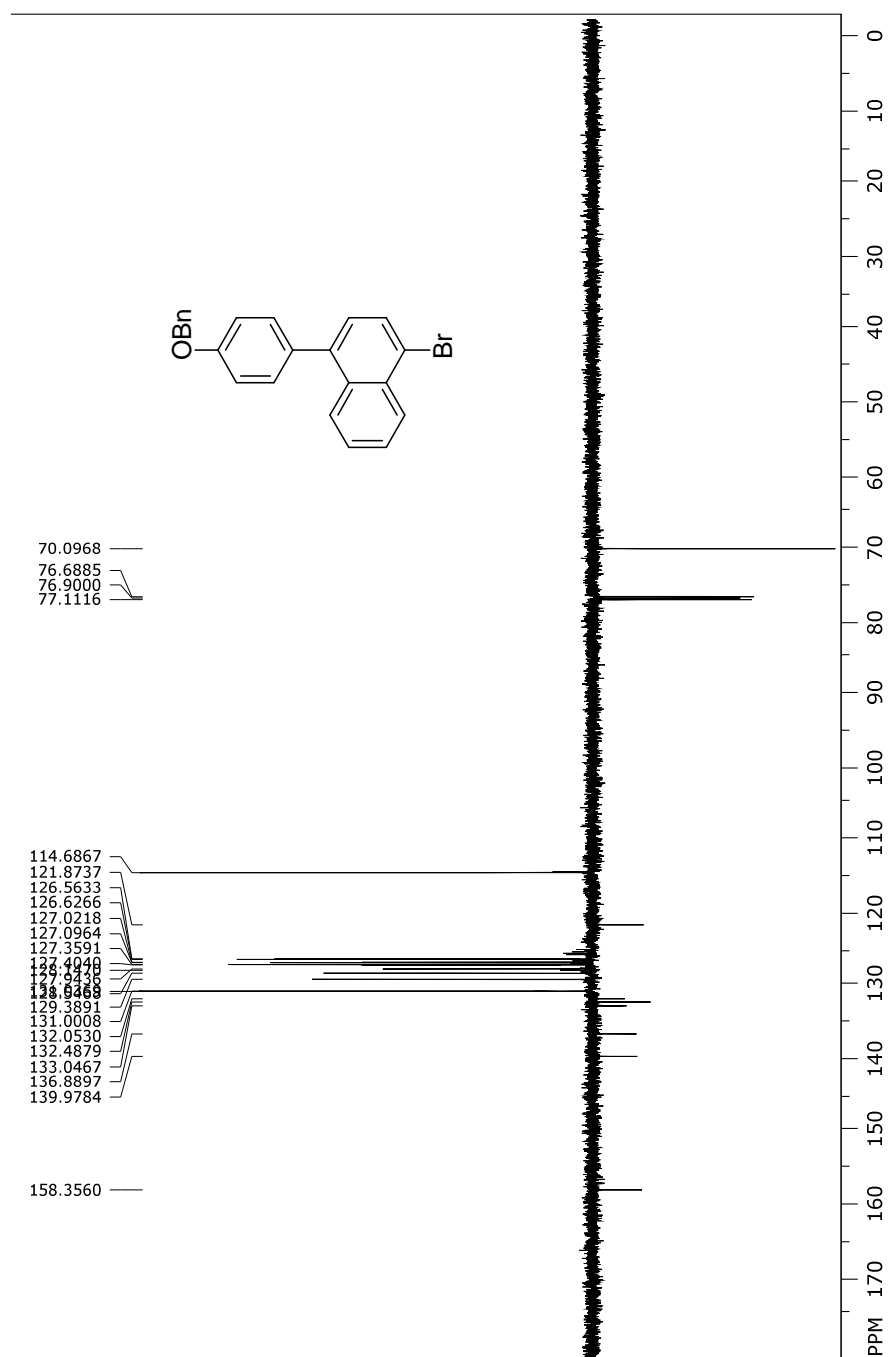
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$^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound **13**.

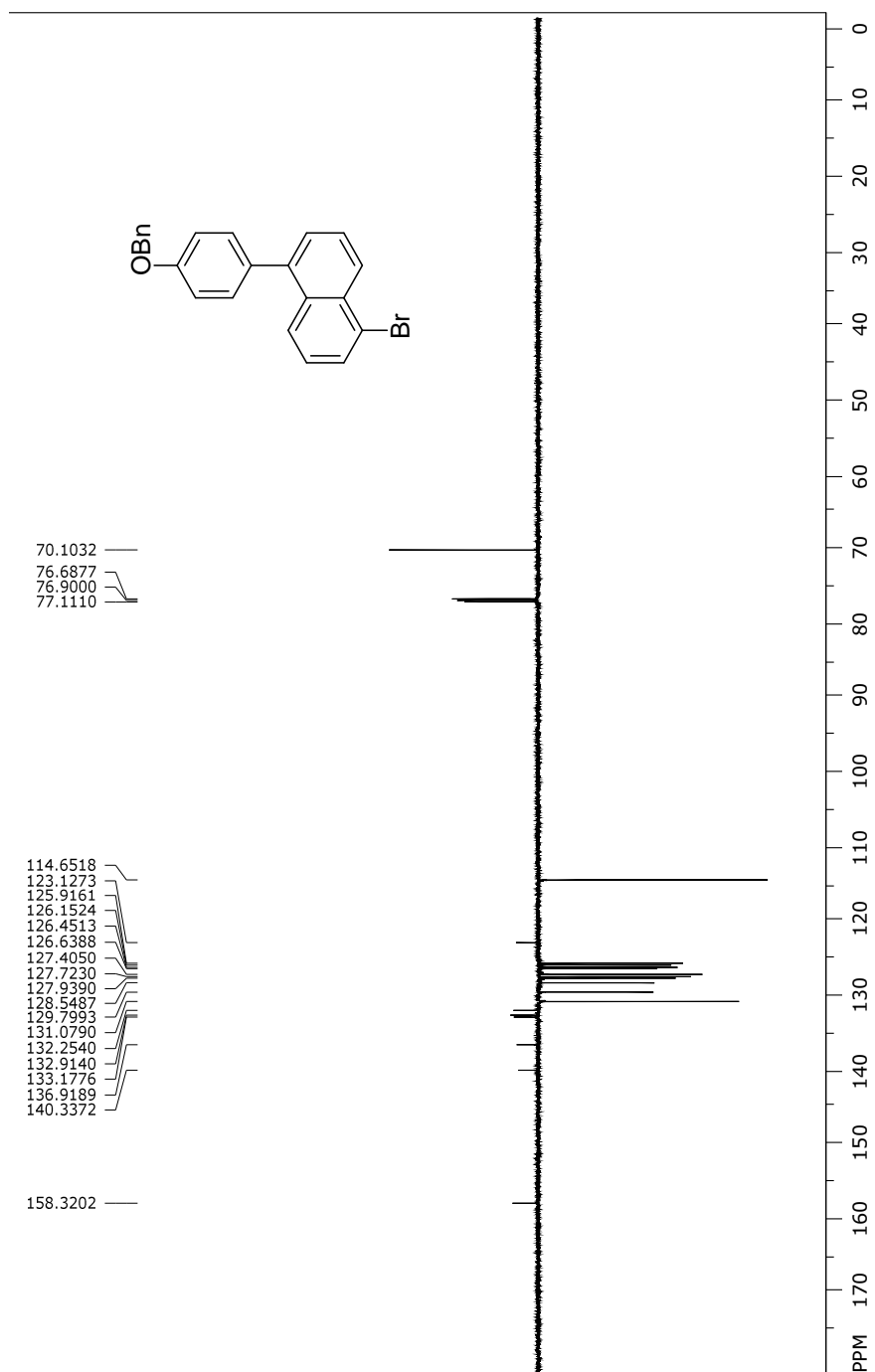


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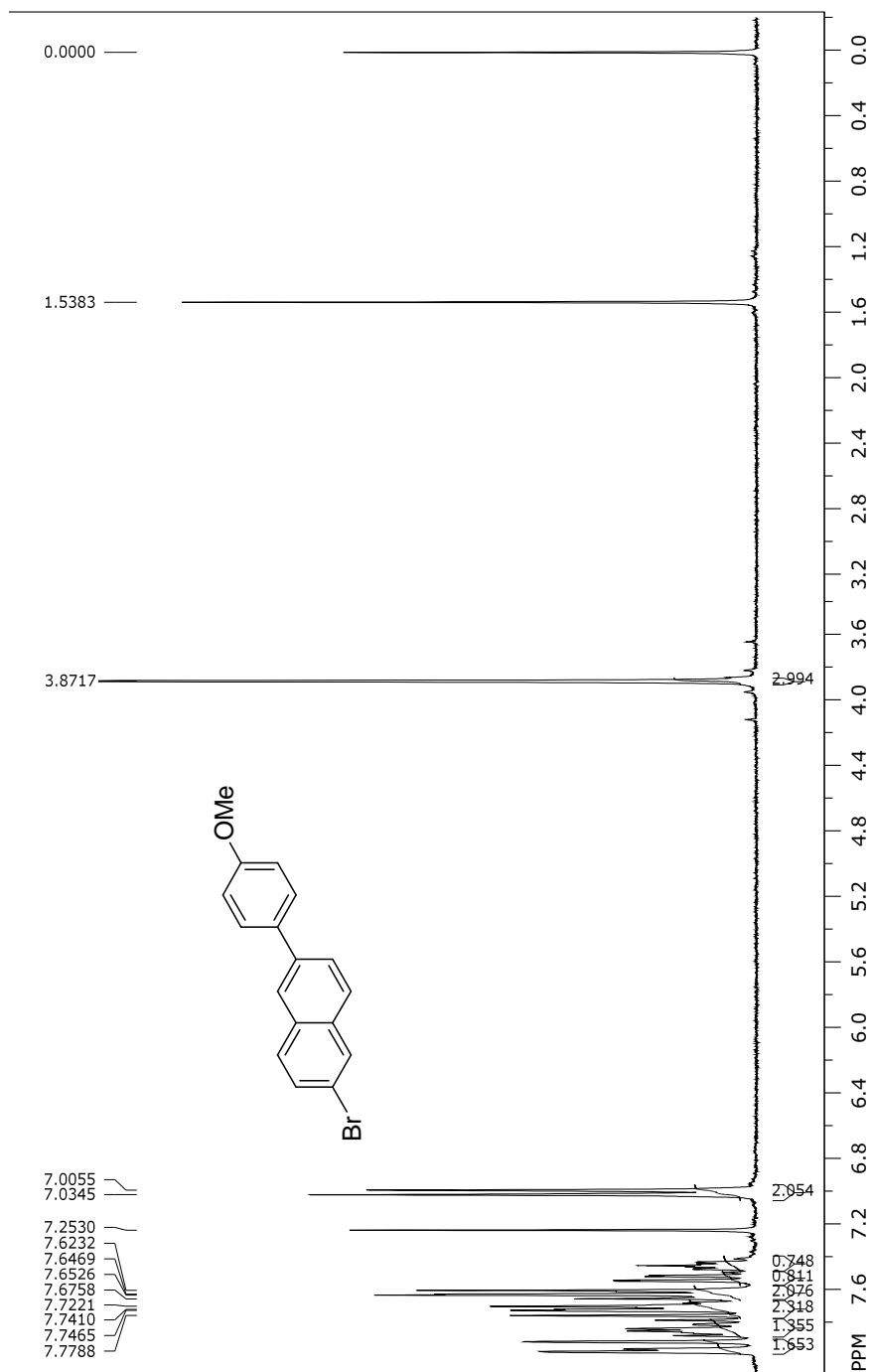


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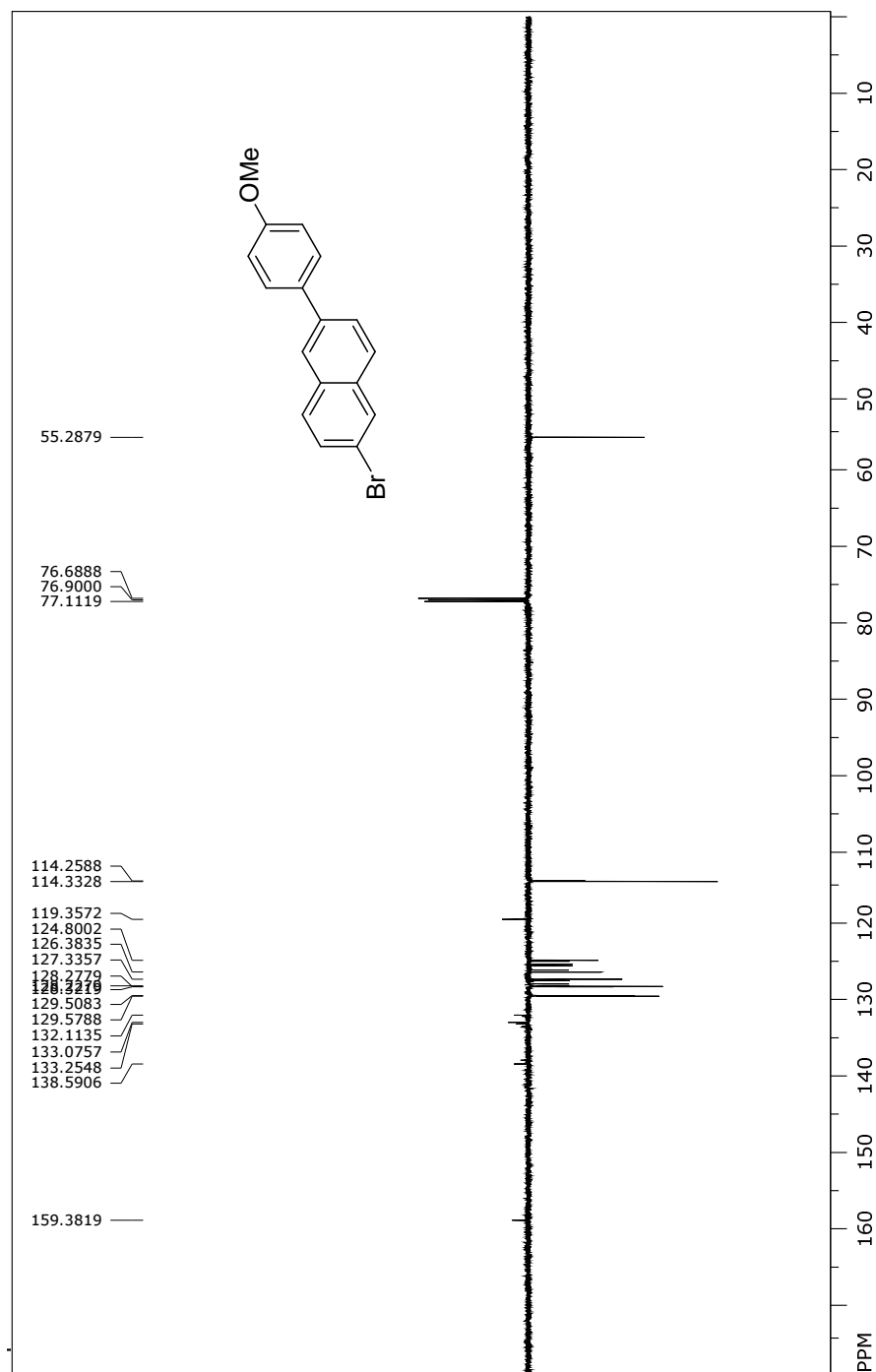




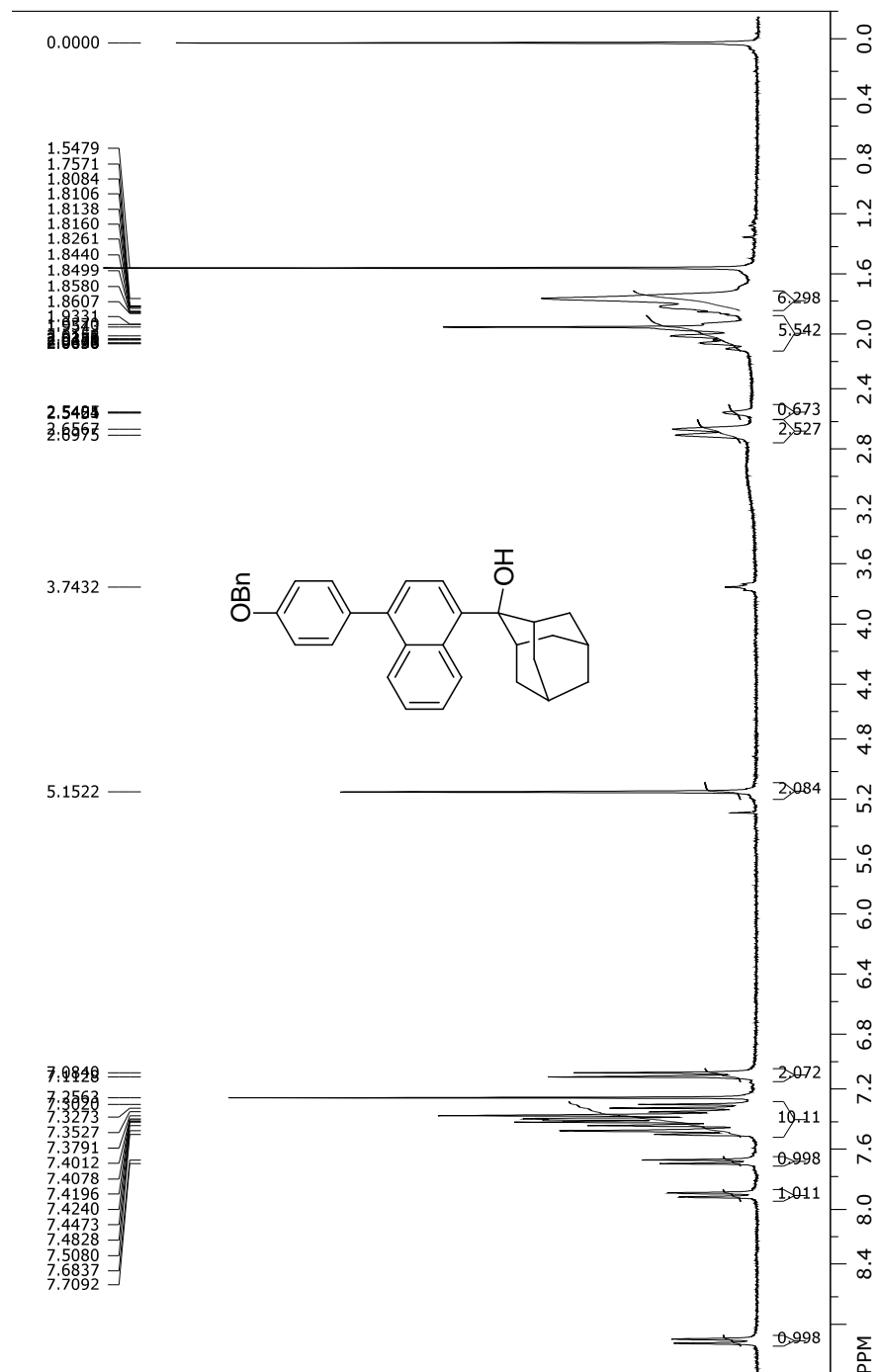
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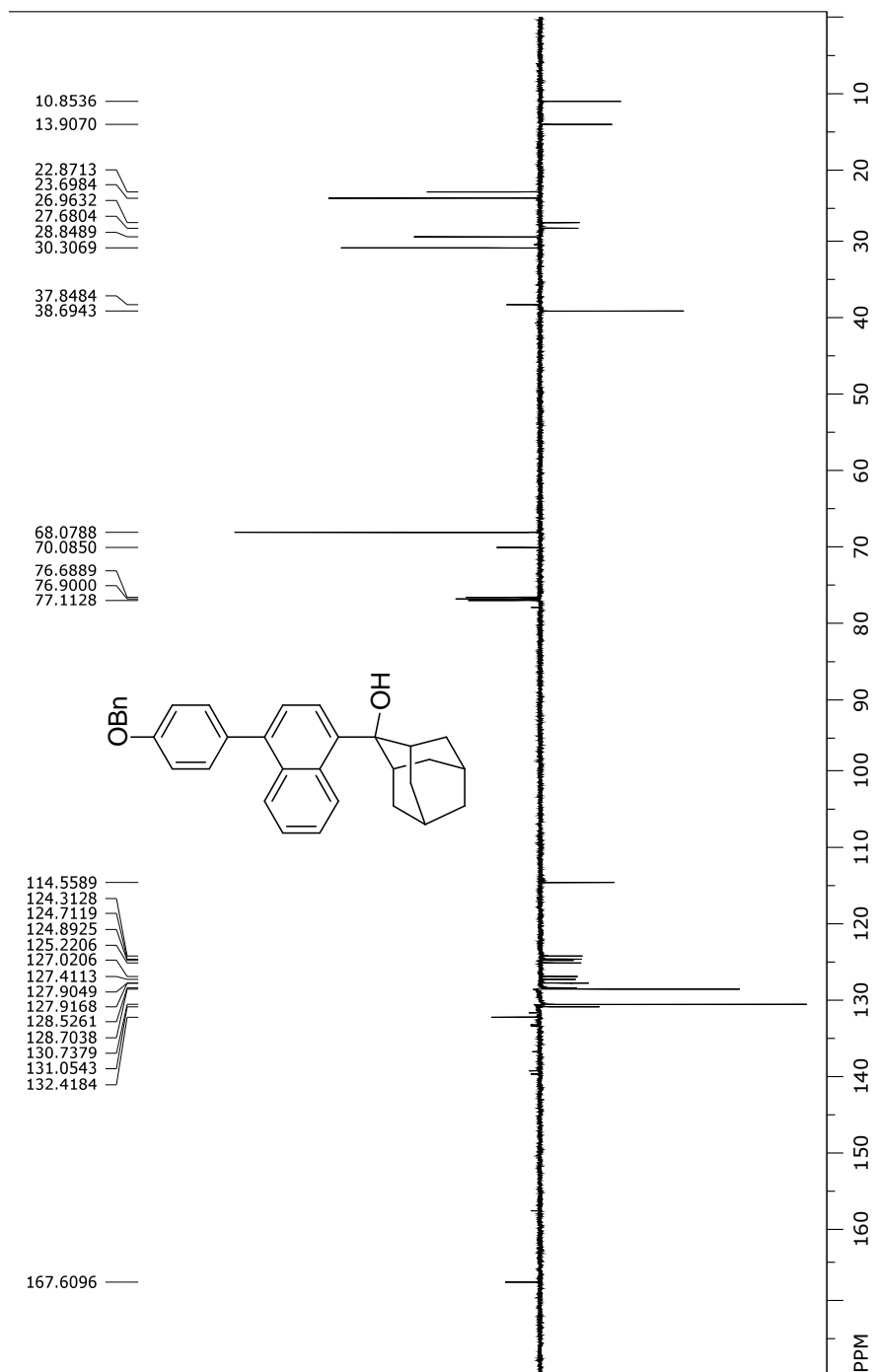
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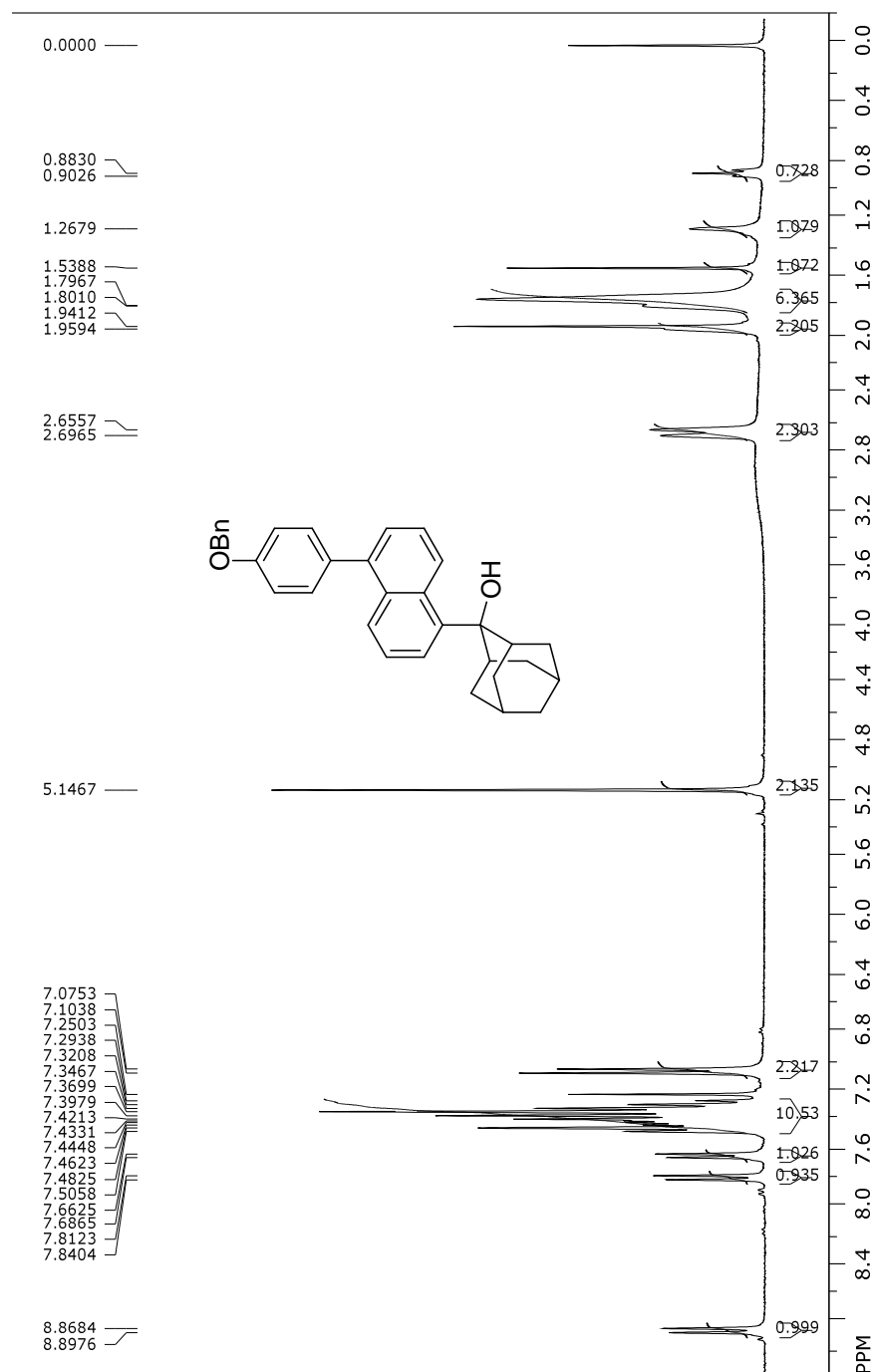
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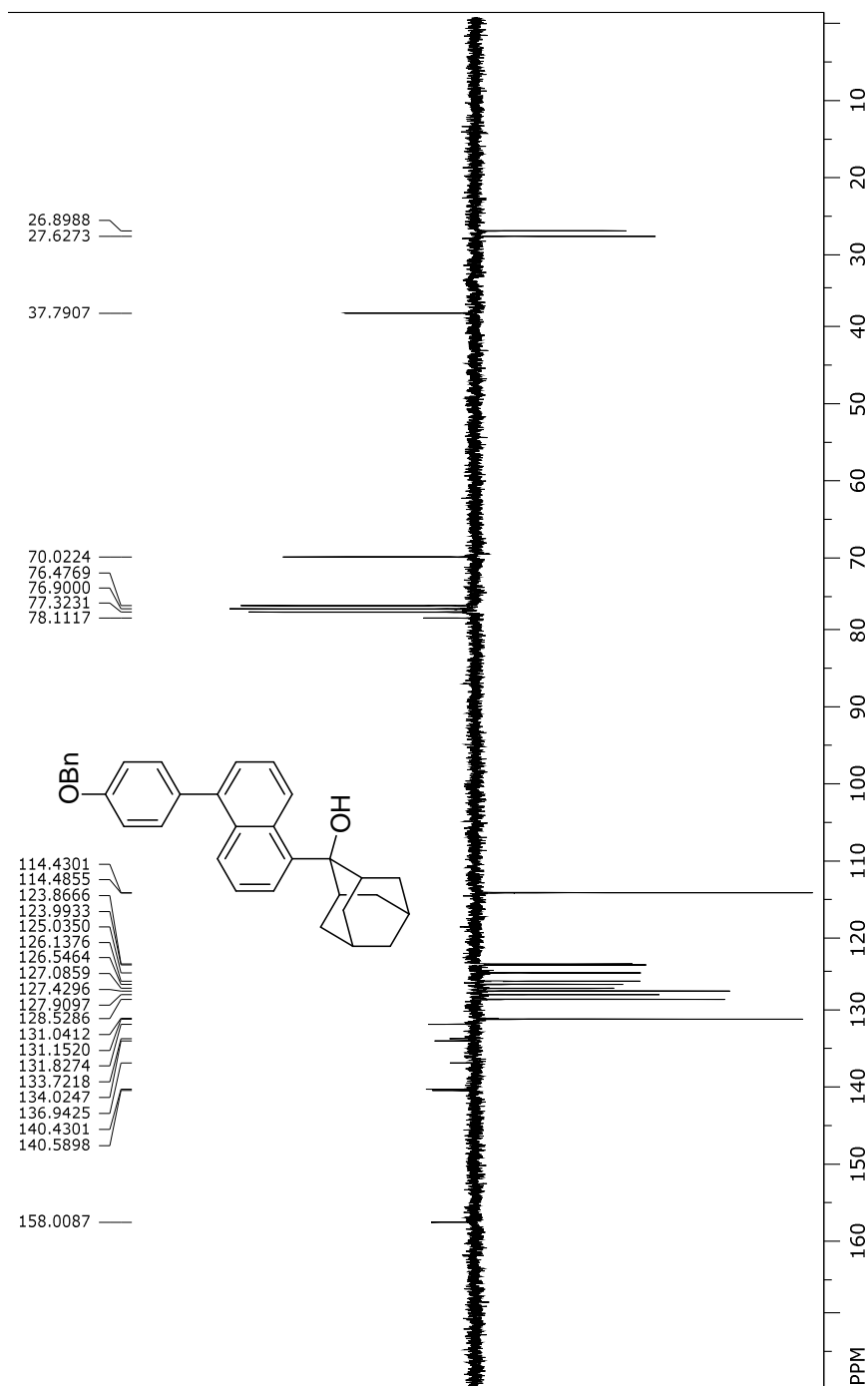
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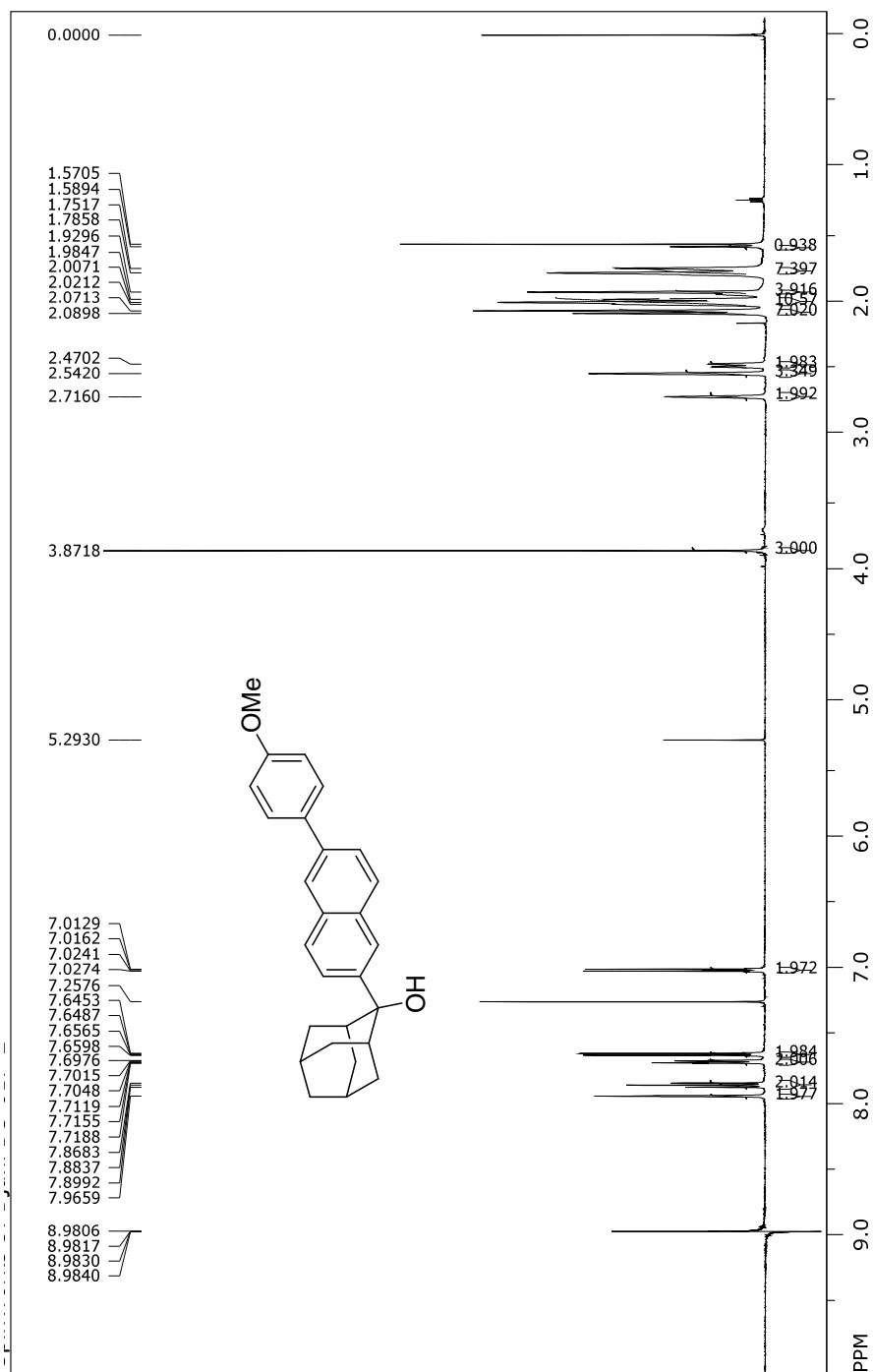
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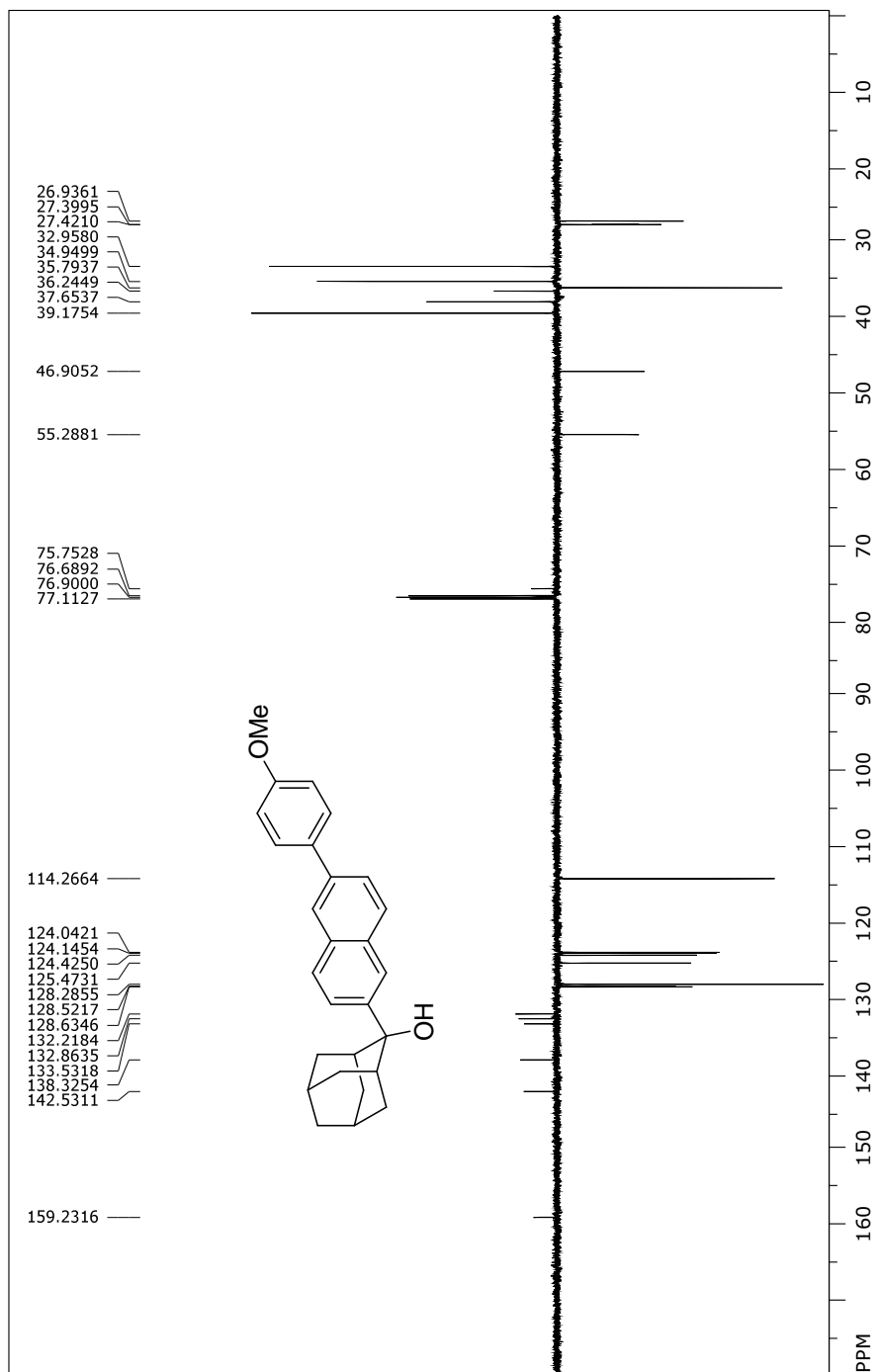
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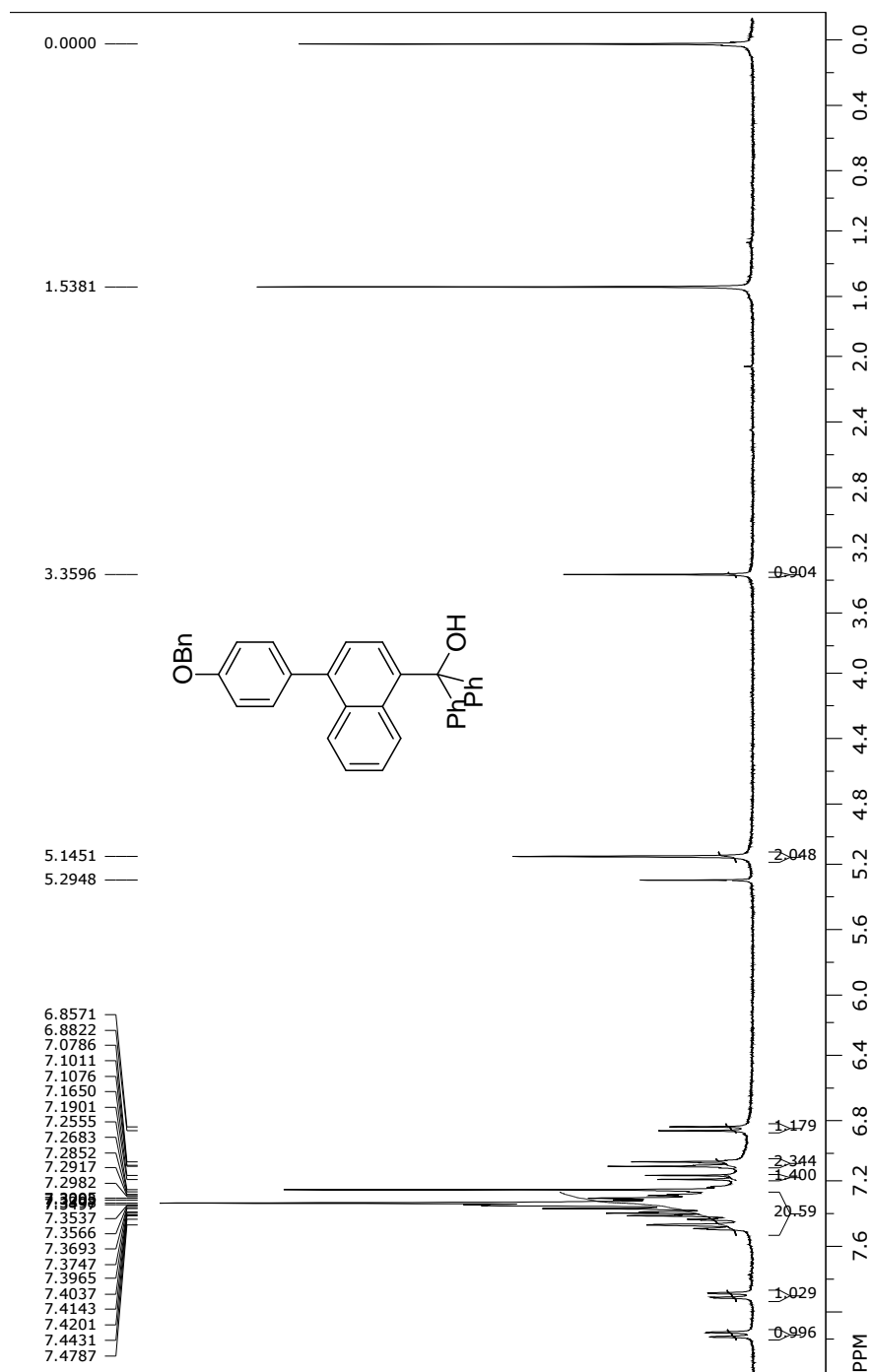


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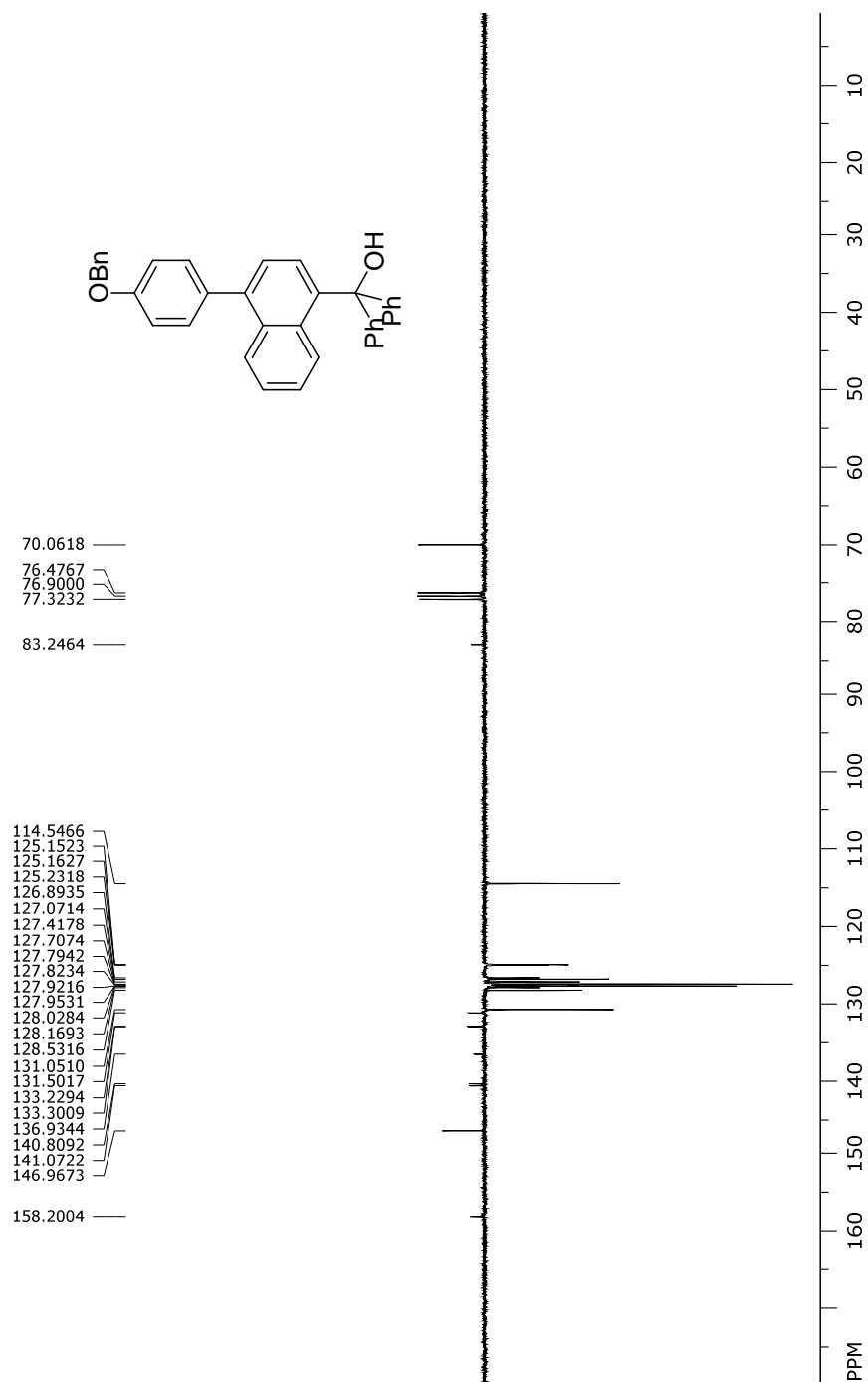




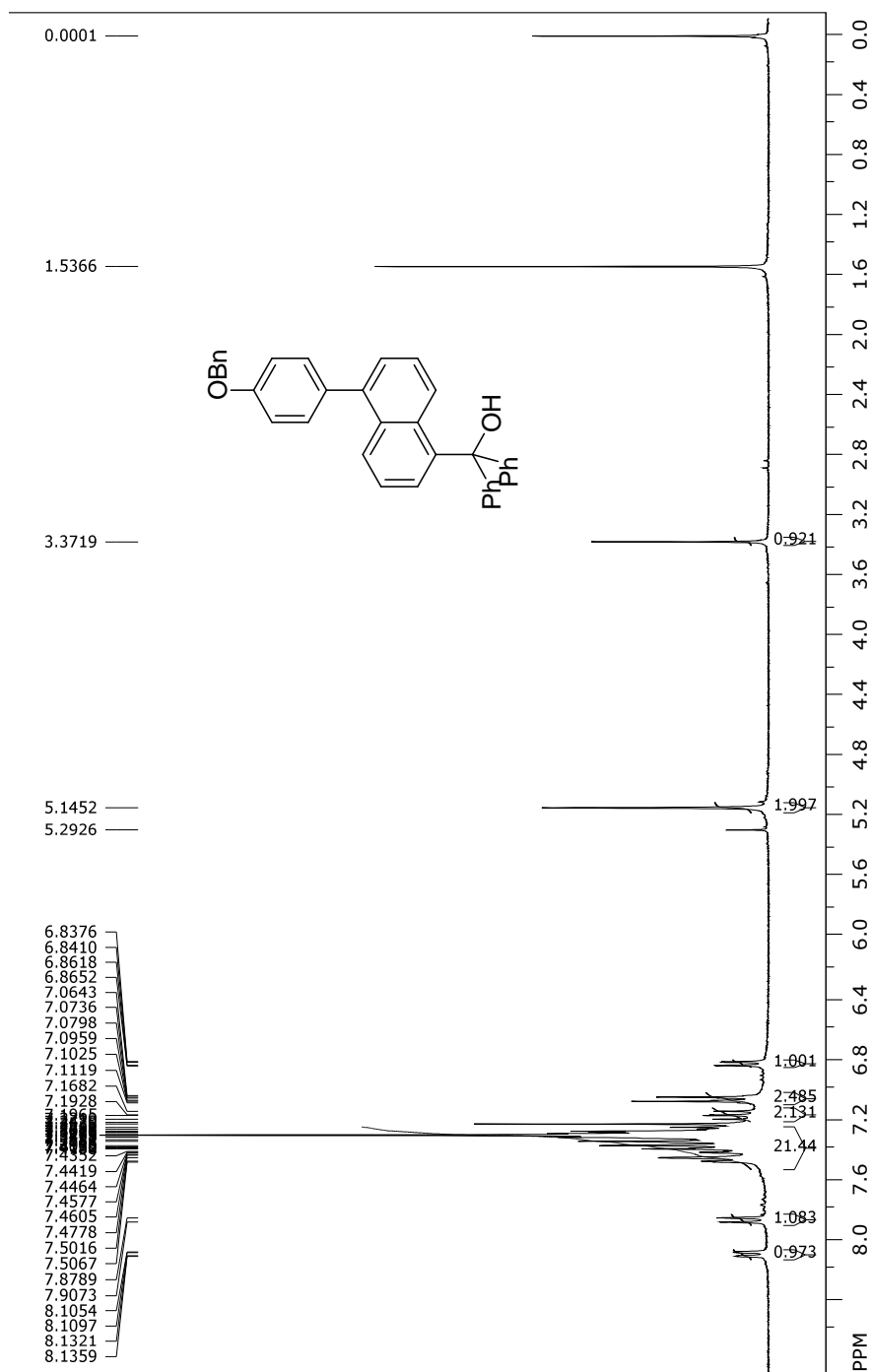
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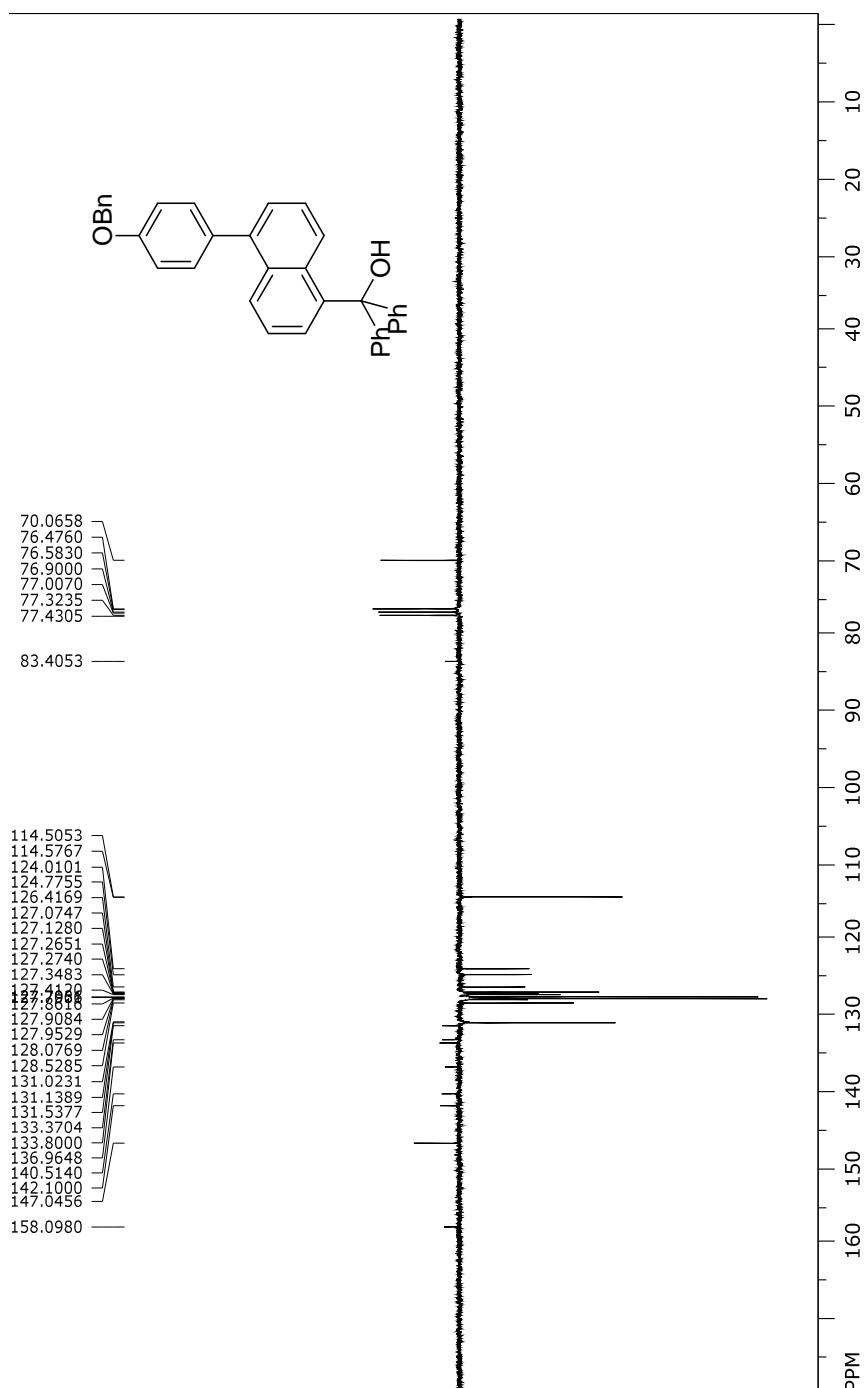
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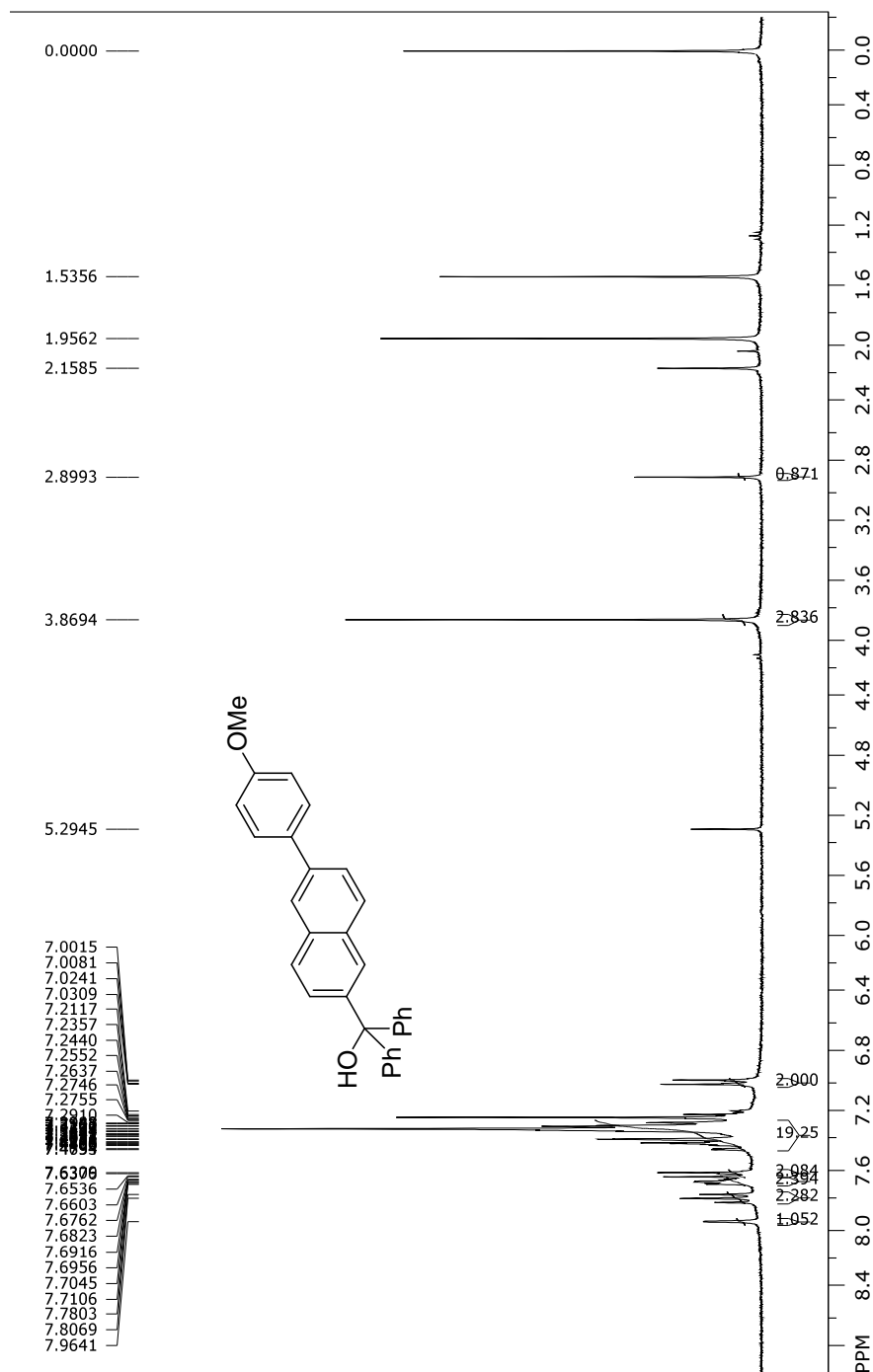
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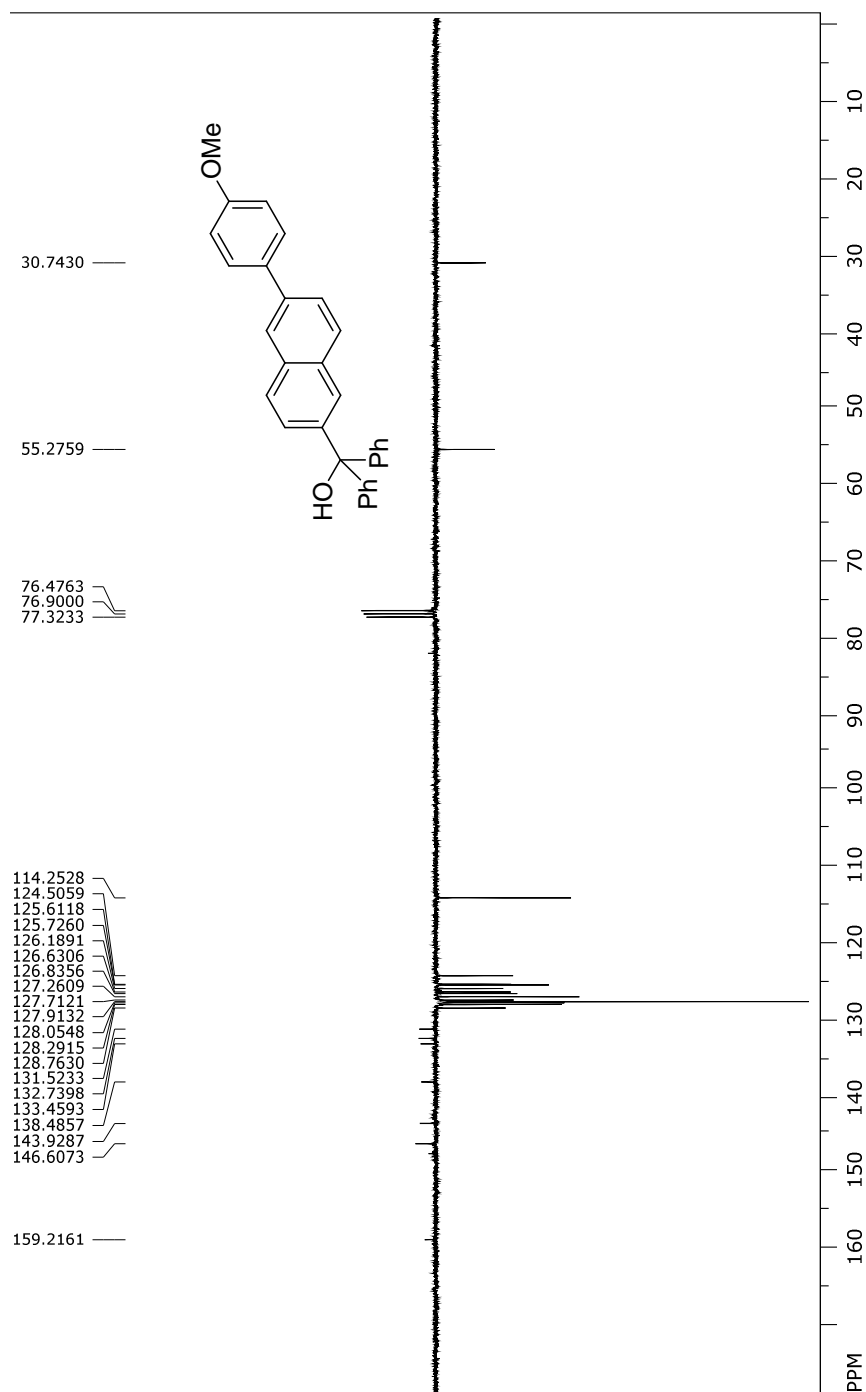
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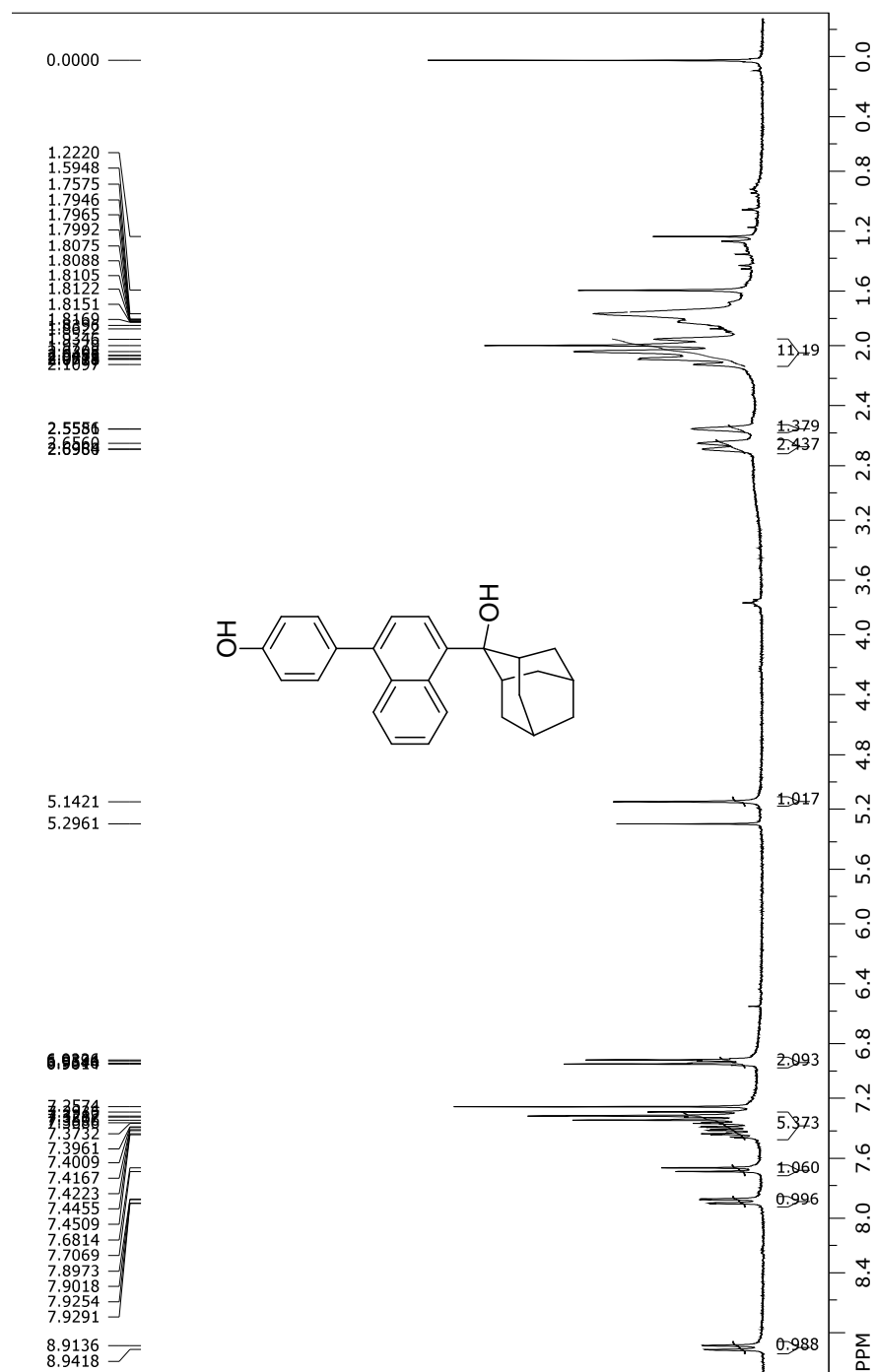
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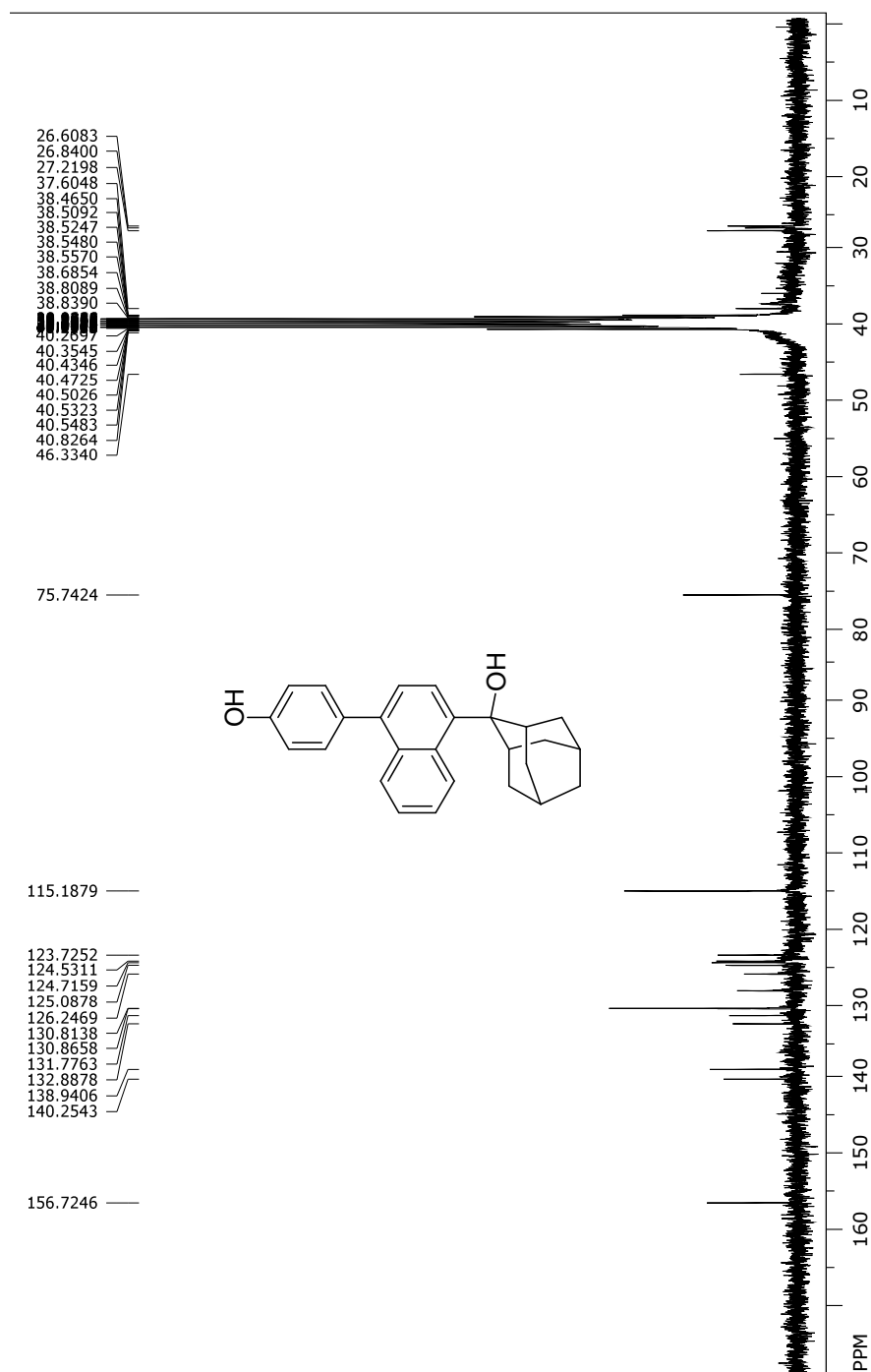
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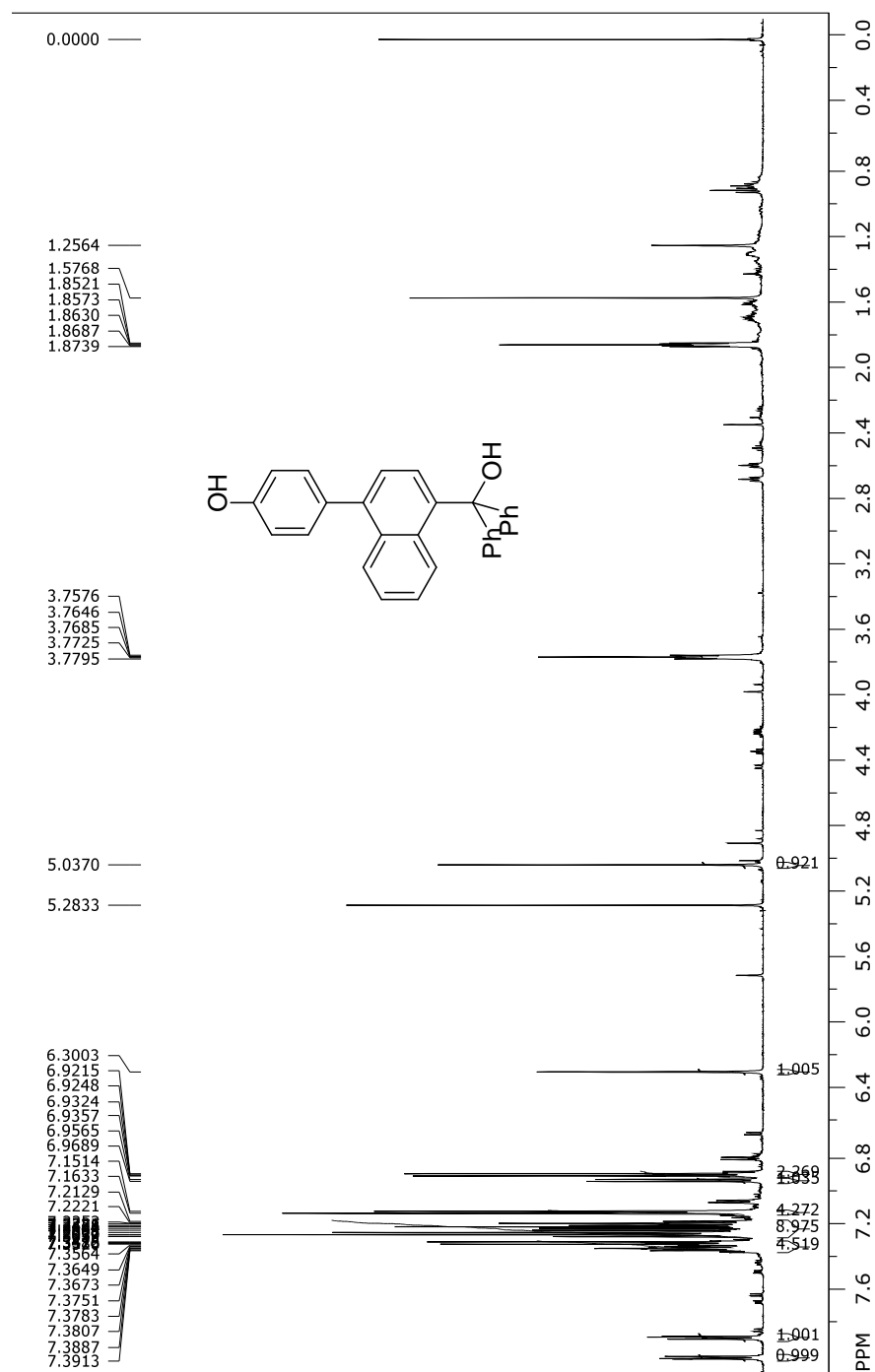


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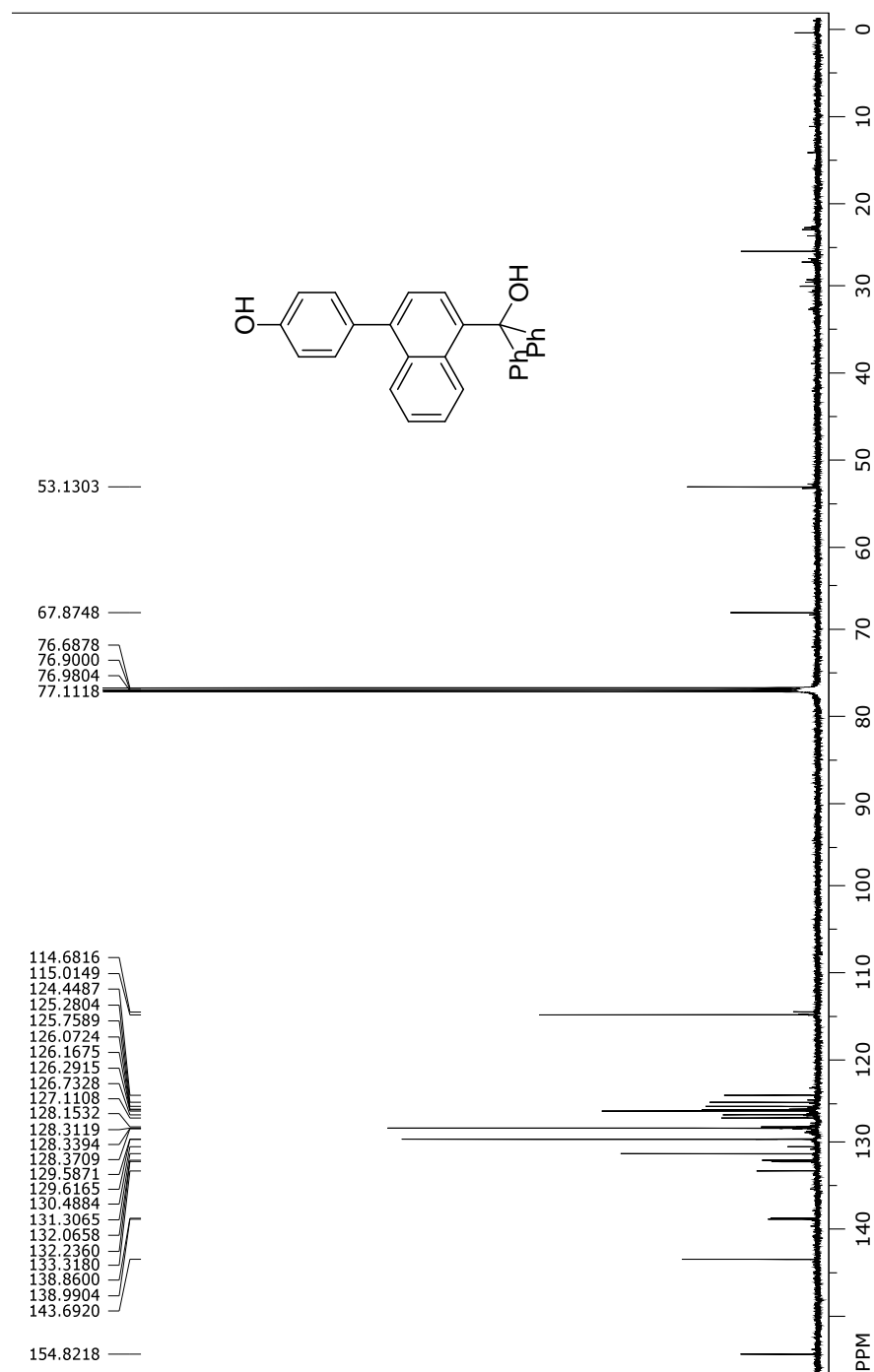




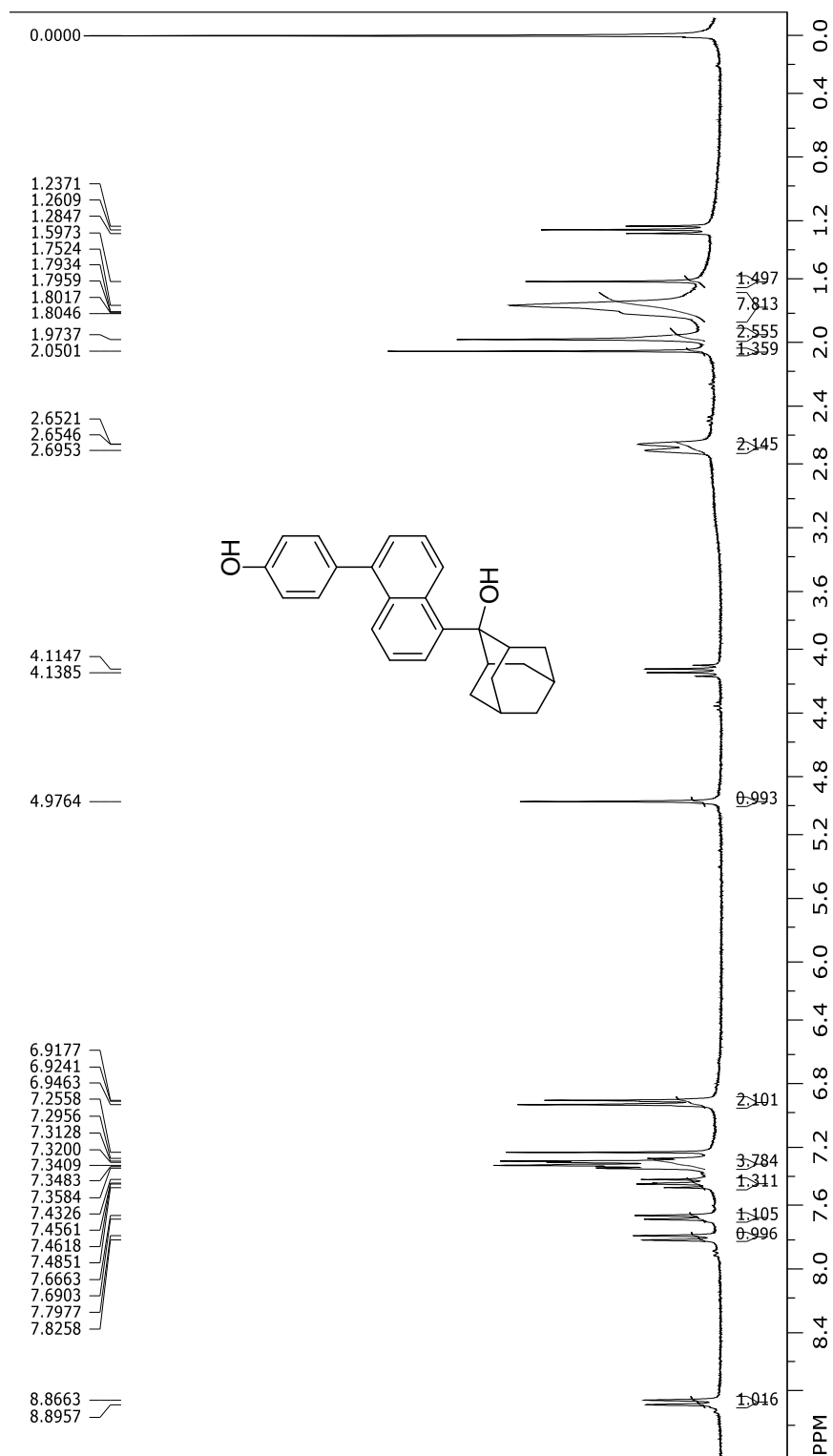
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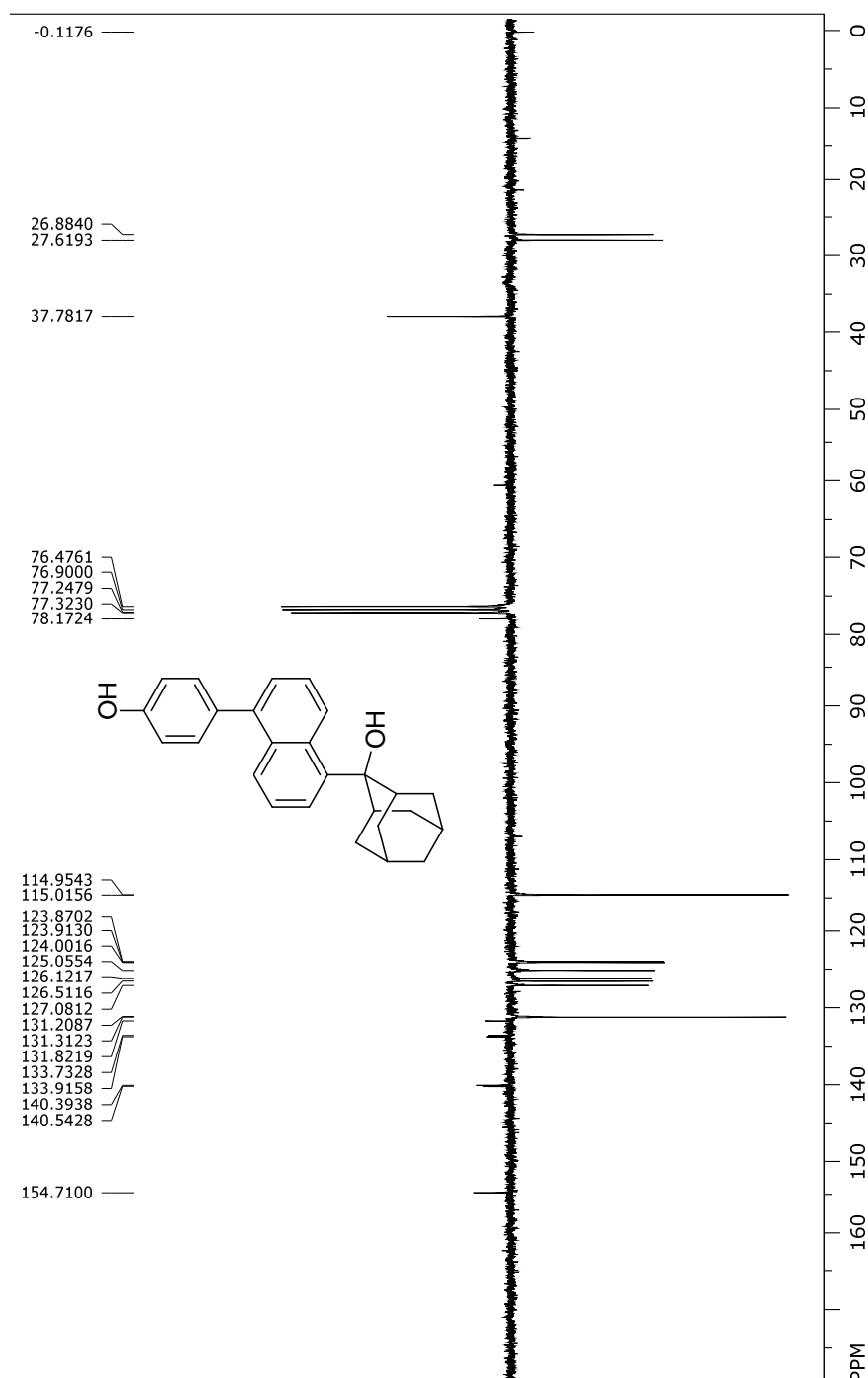
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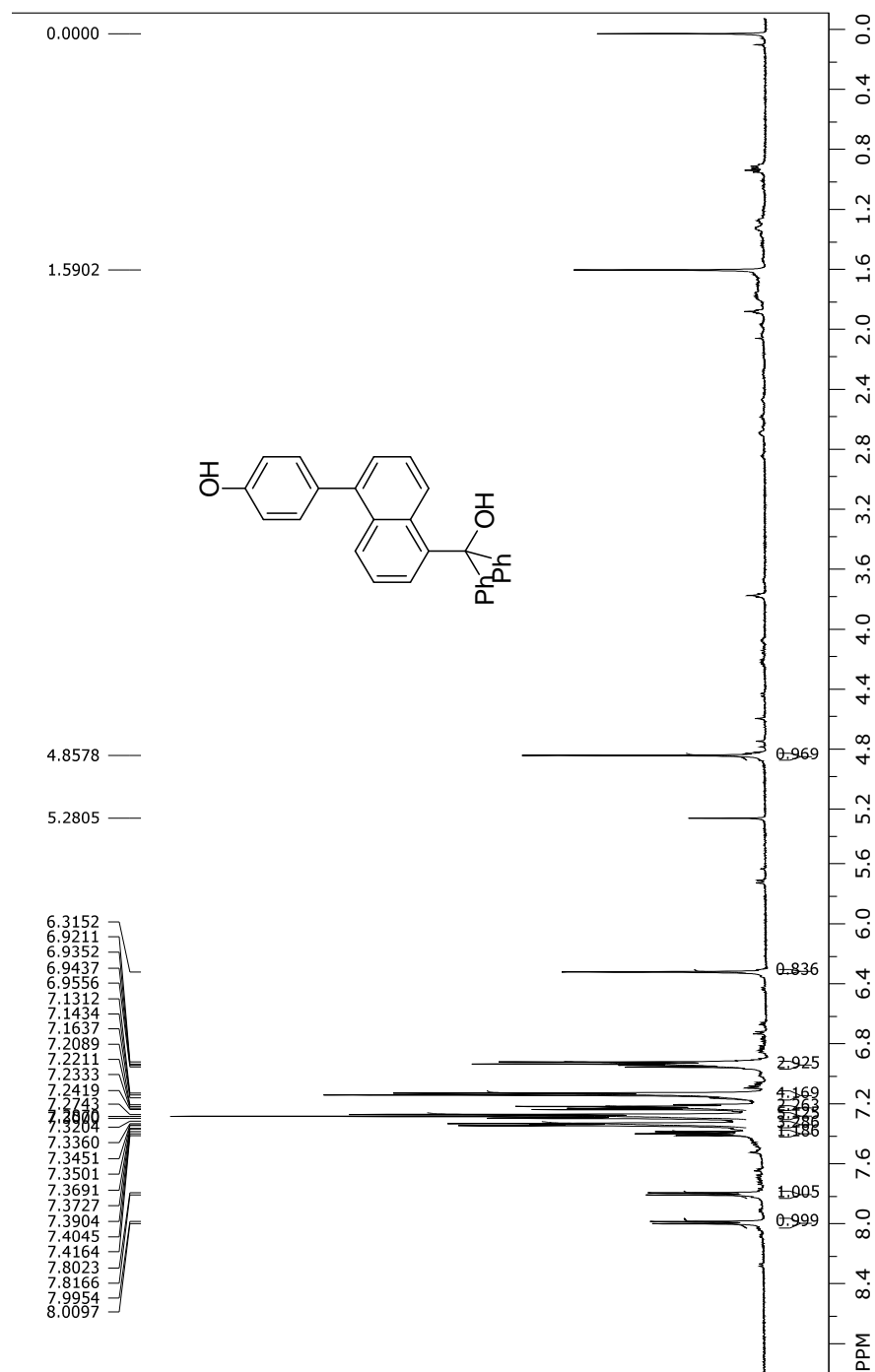
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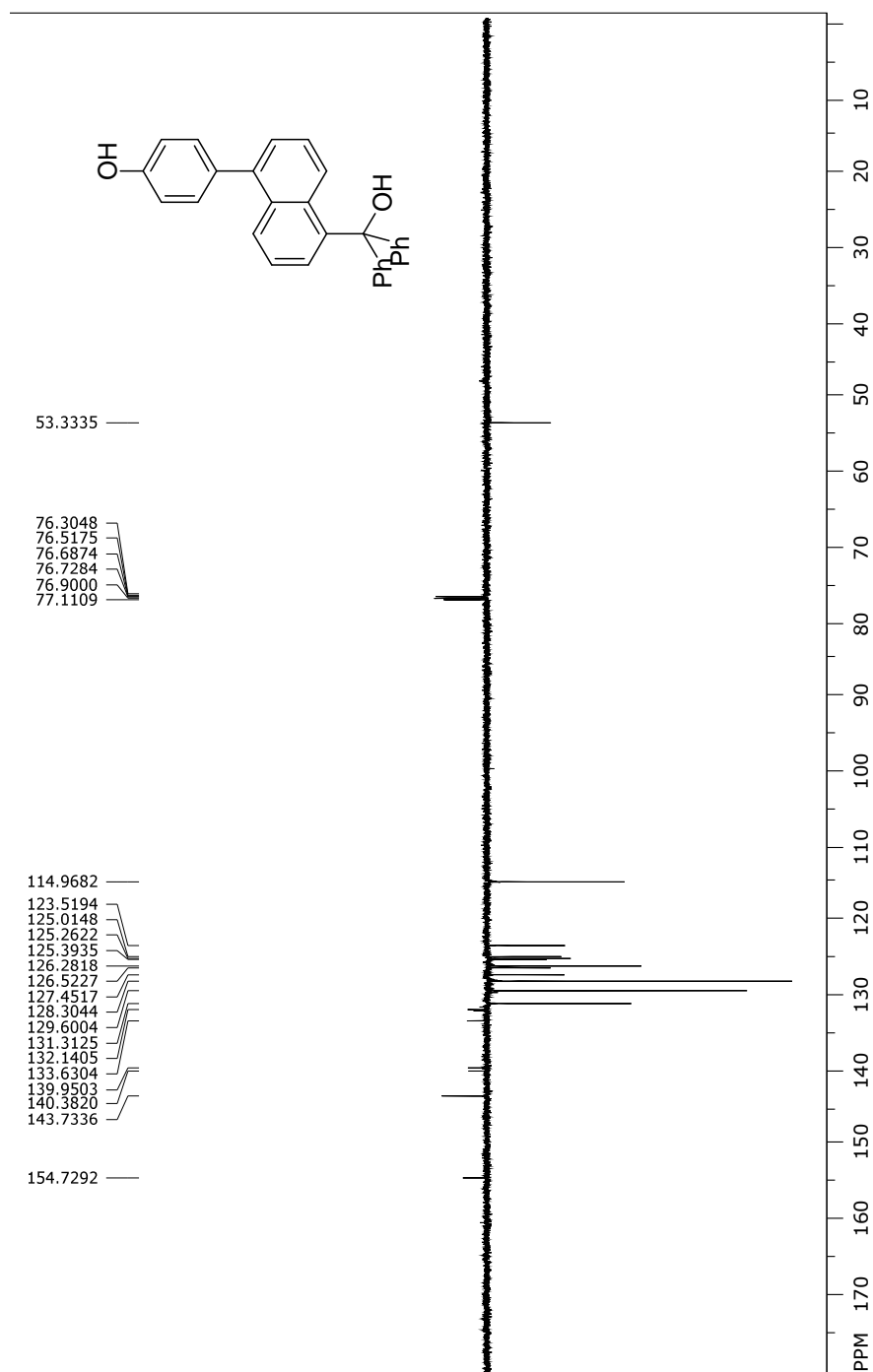
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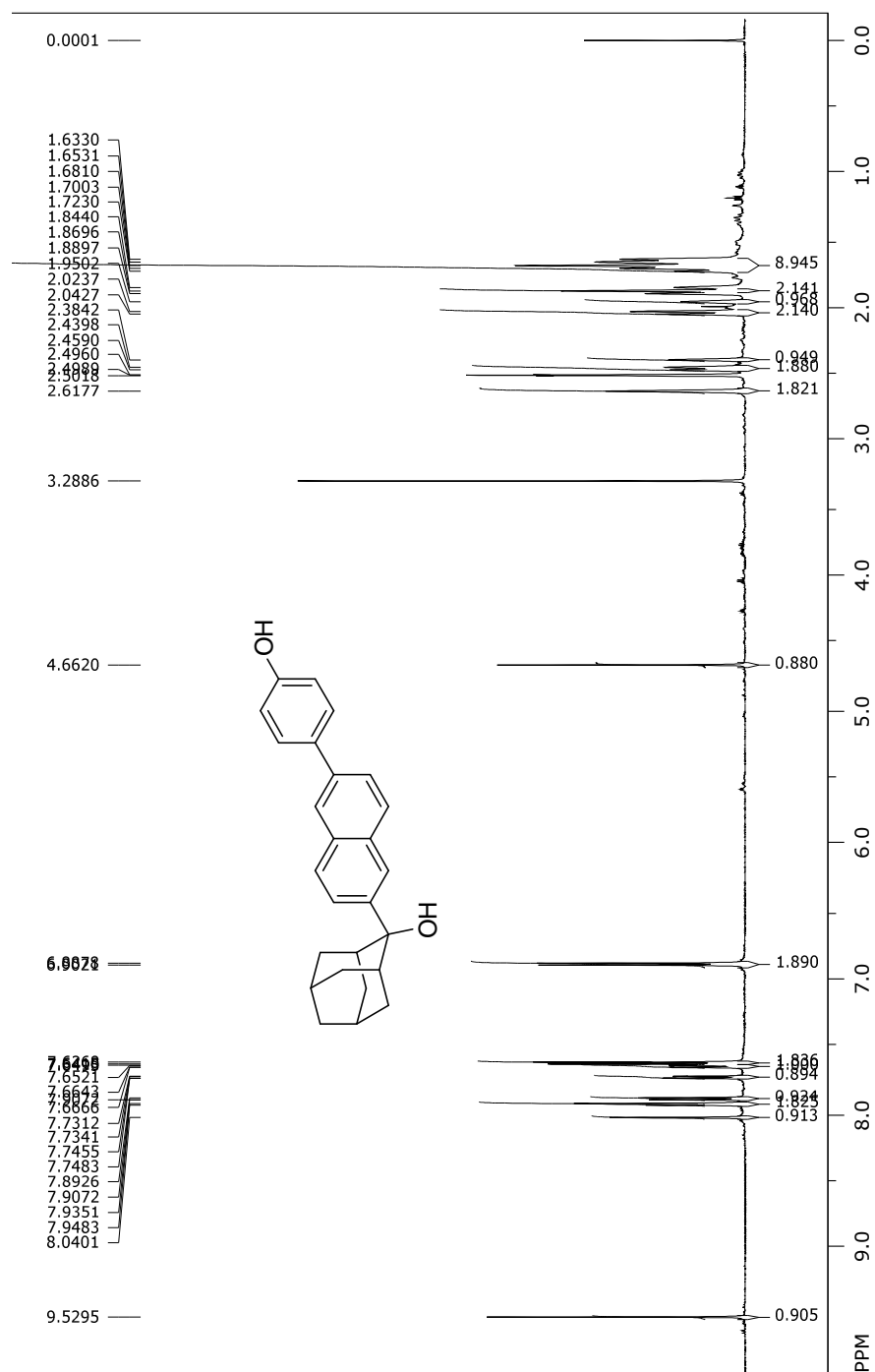
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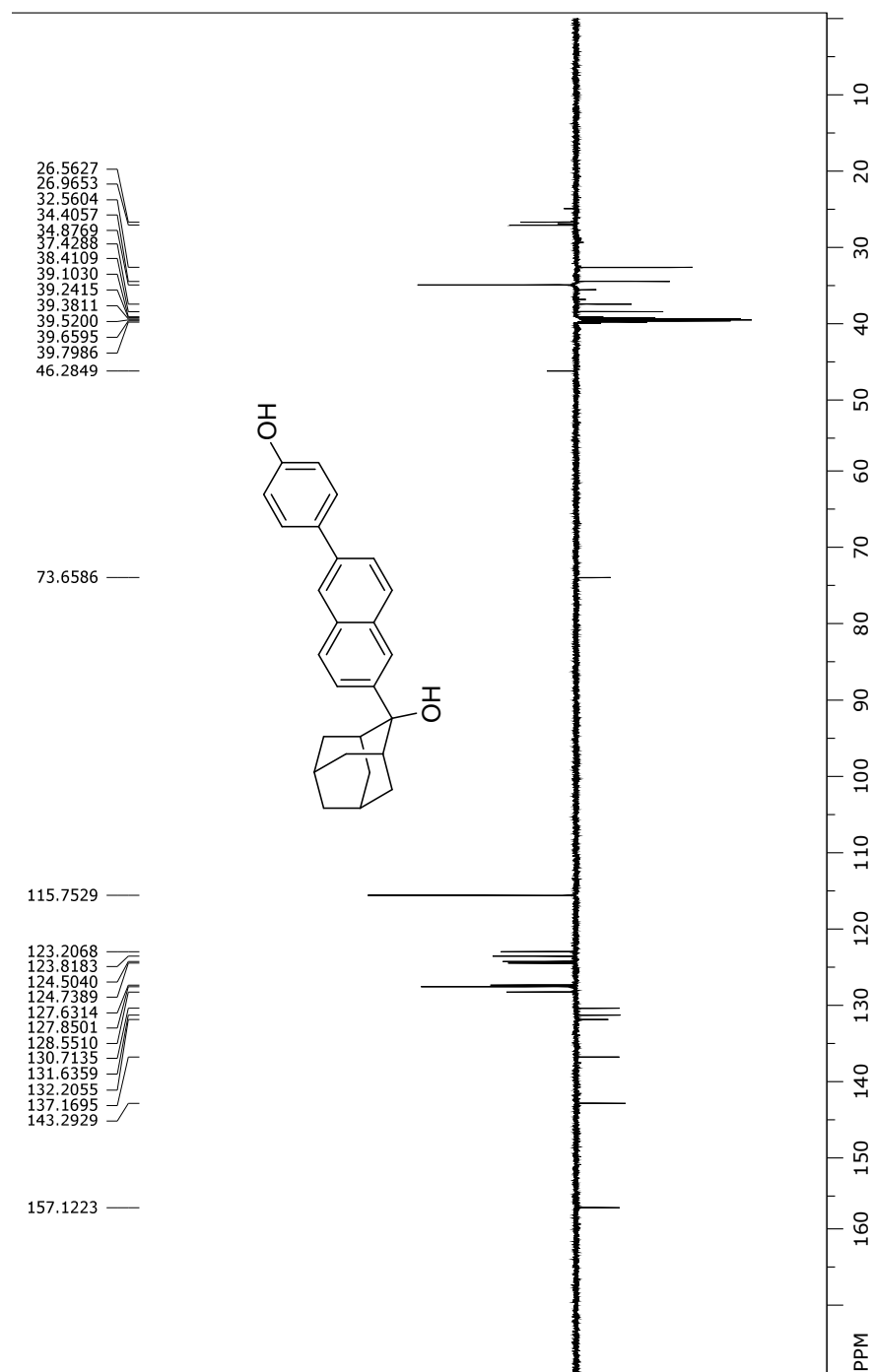
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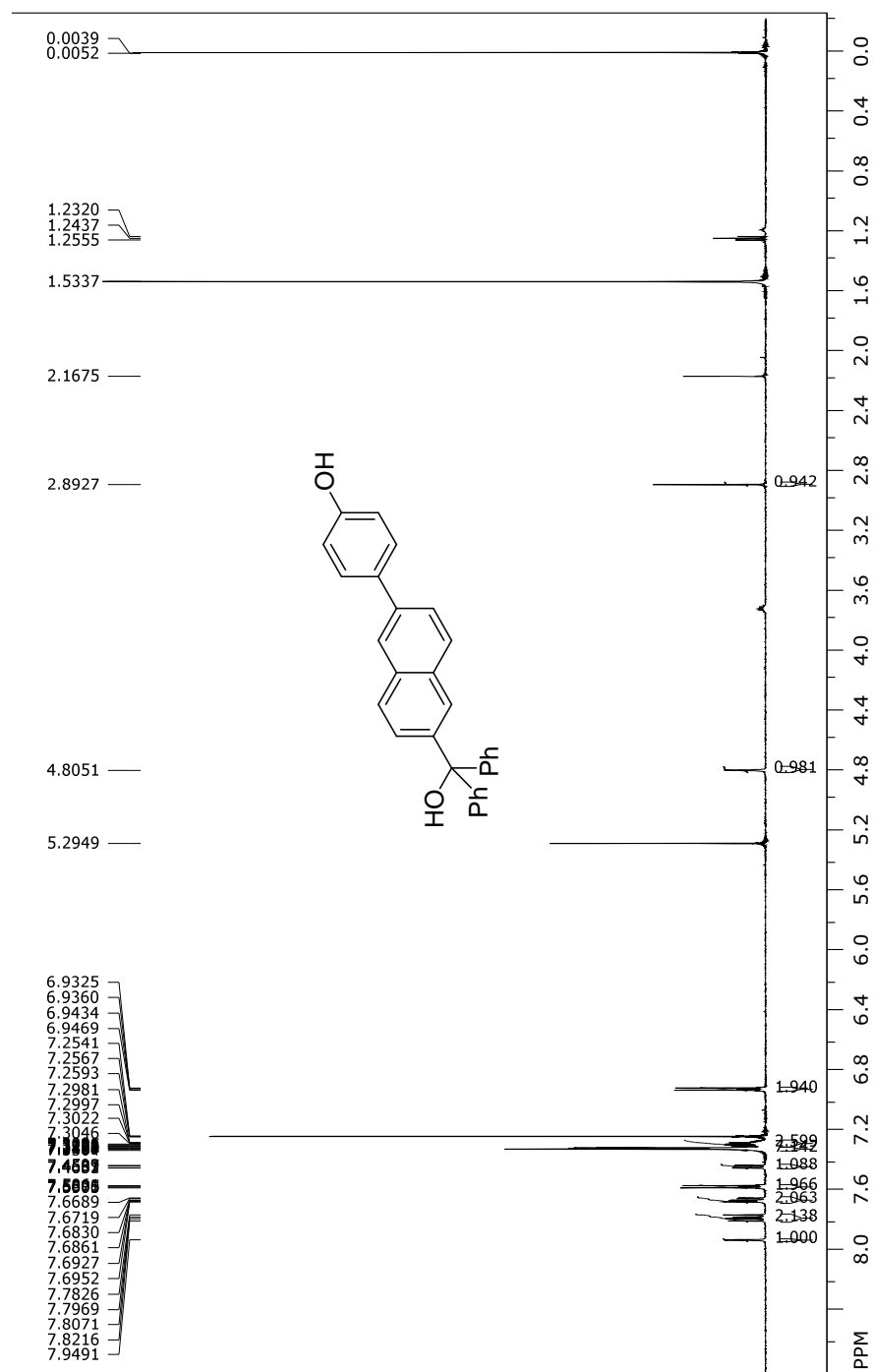


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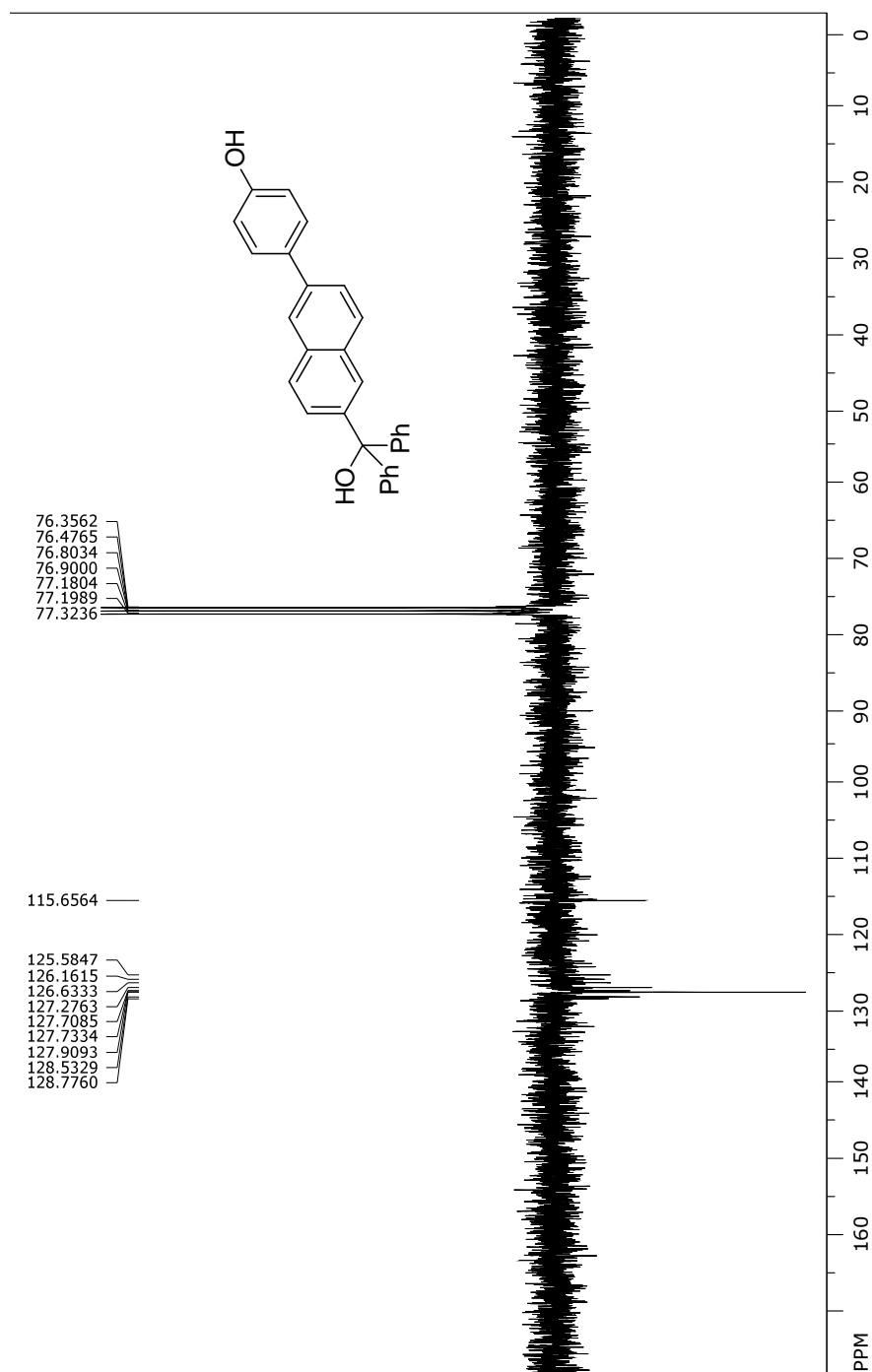




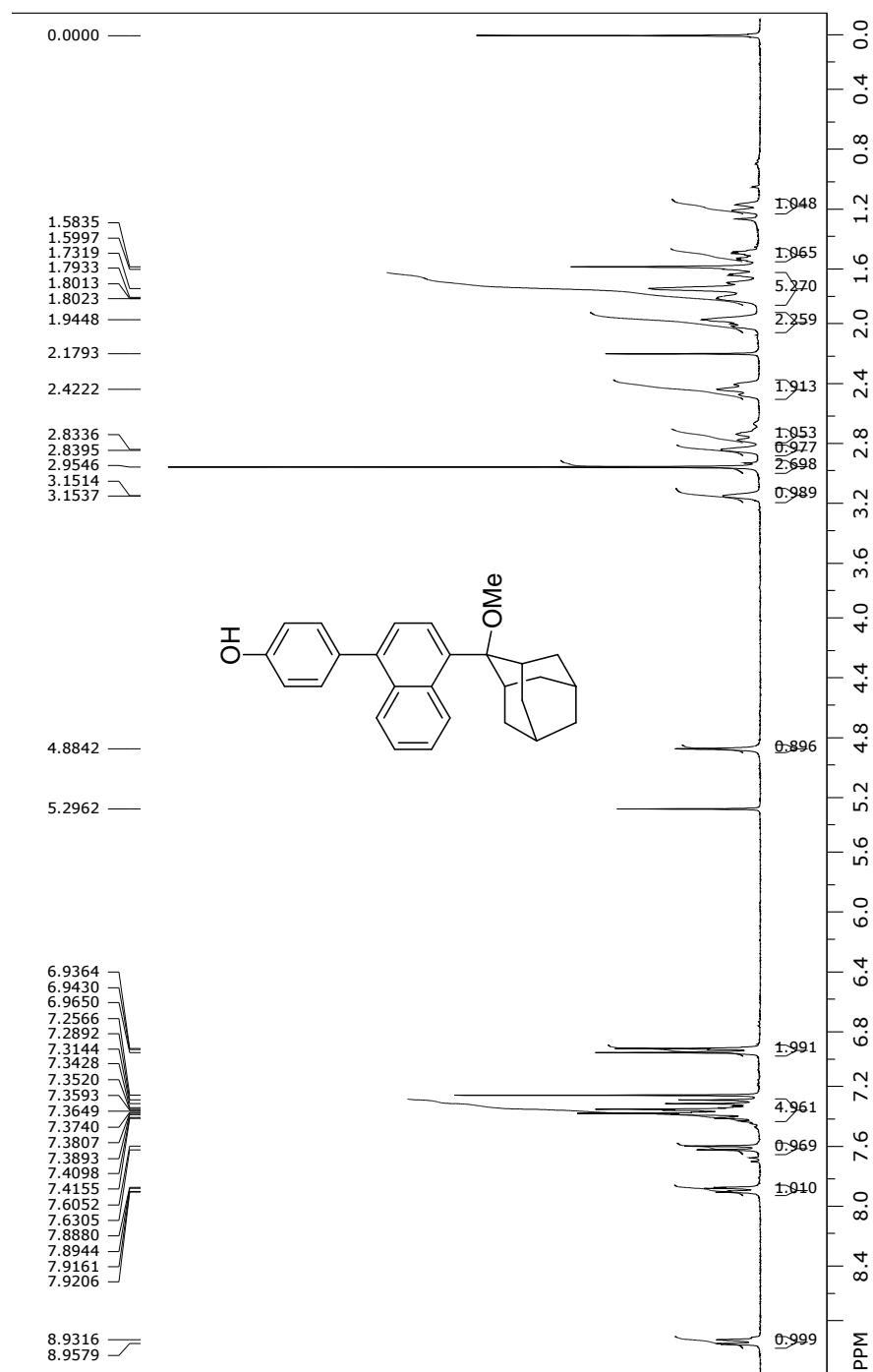
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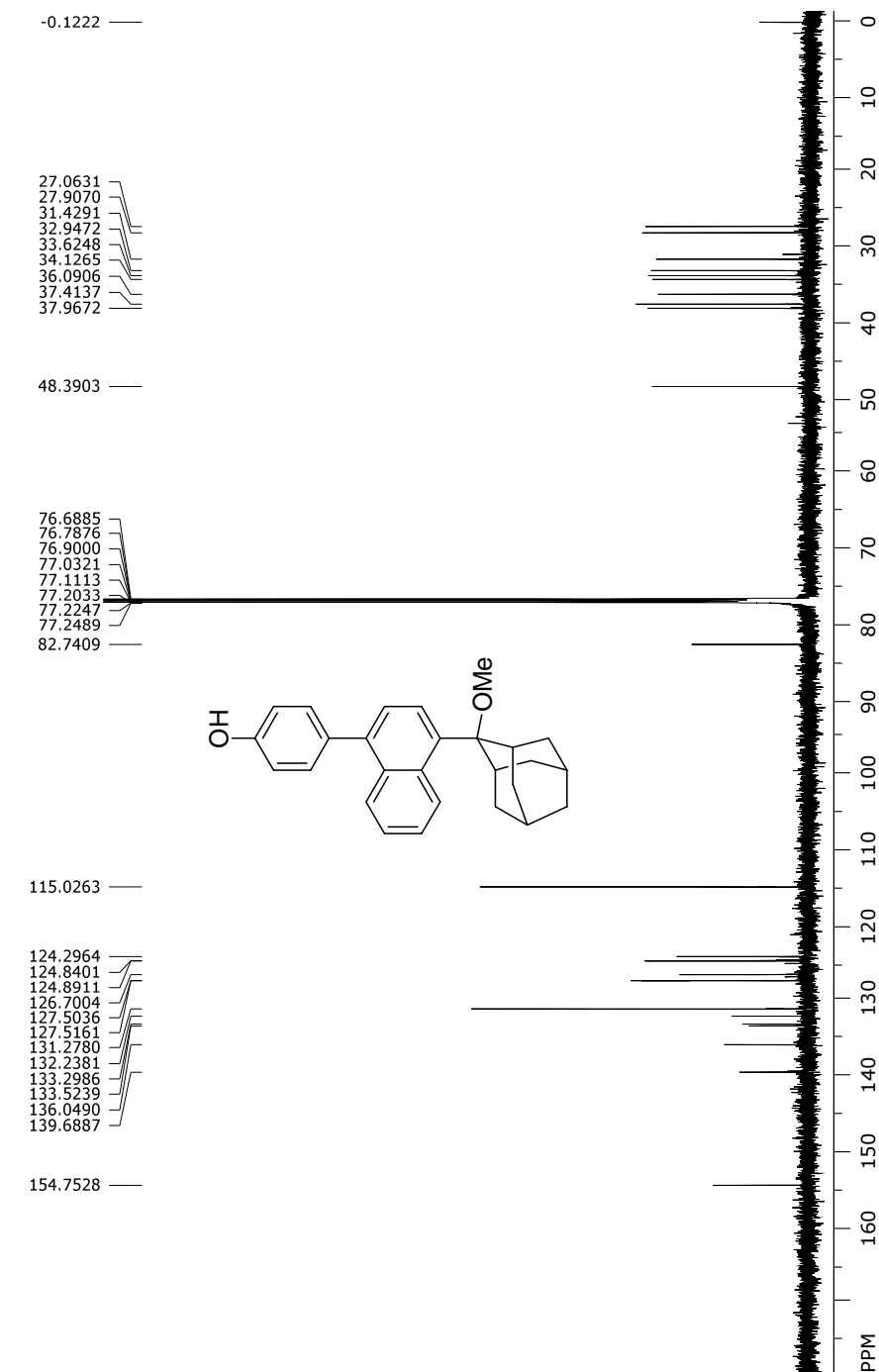
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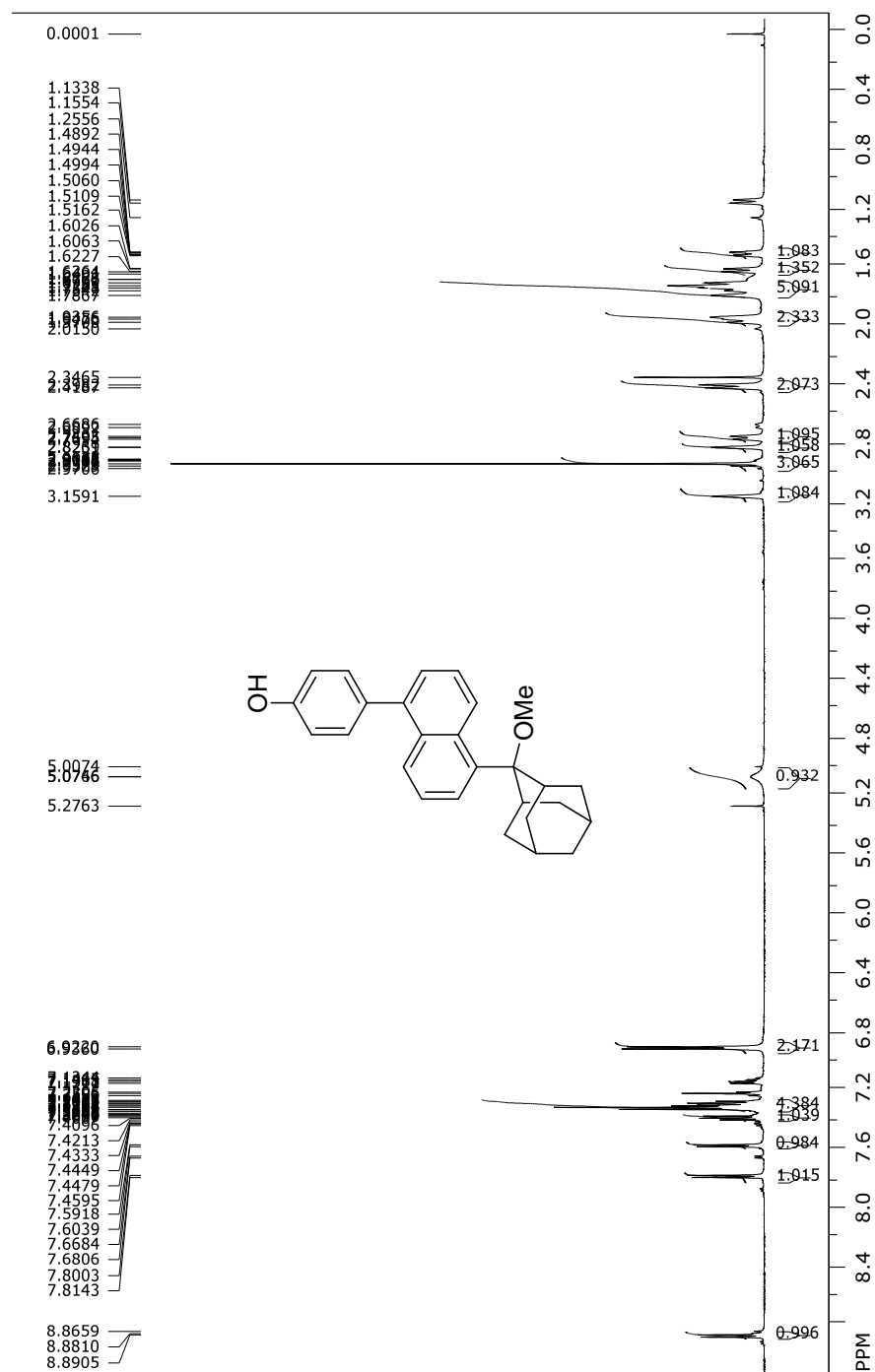
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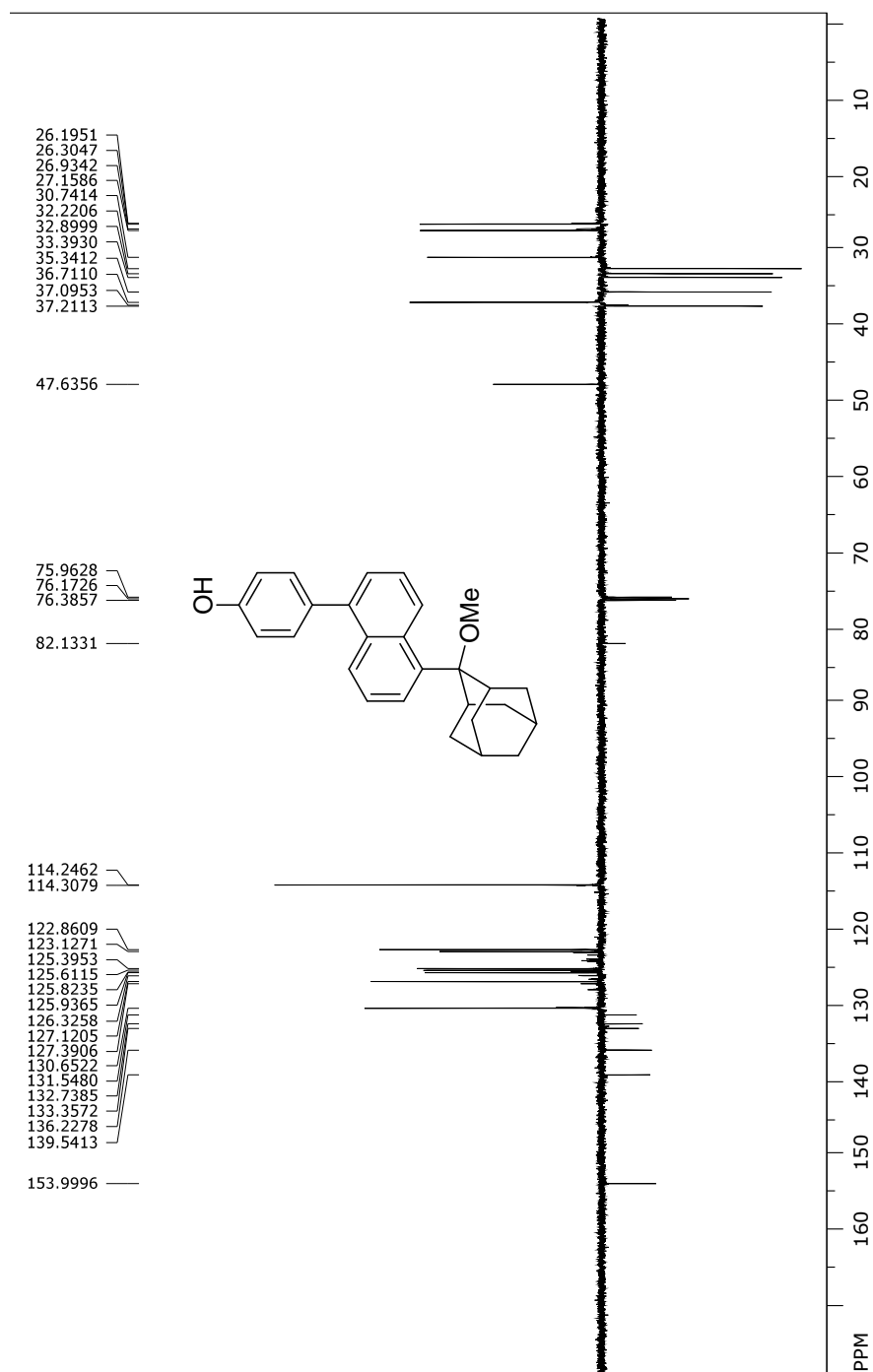
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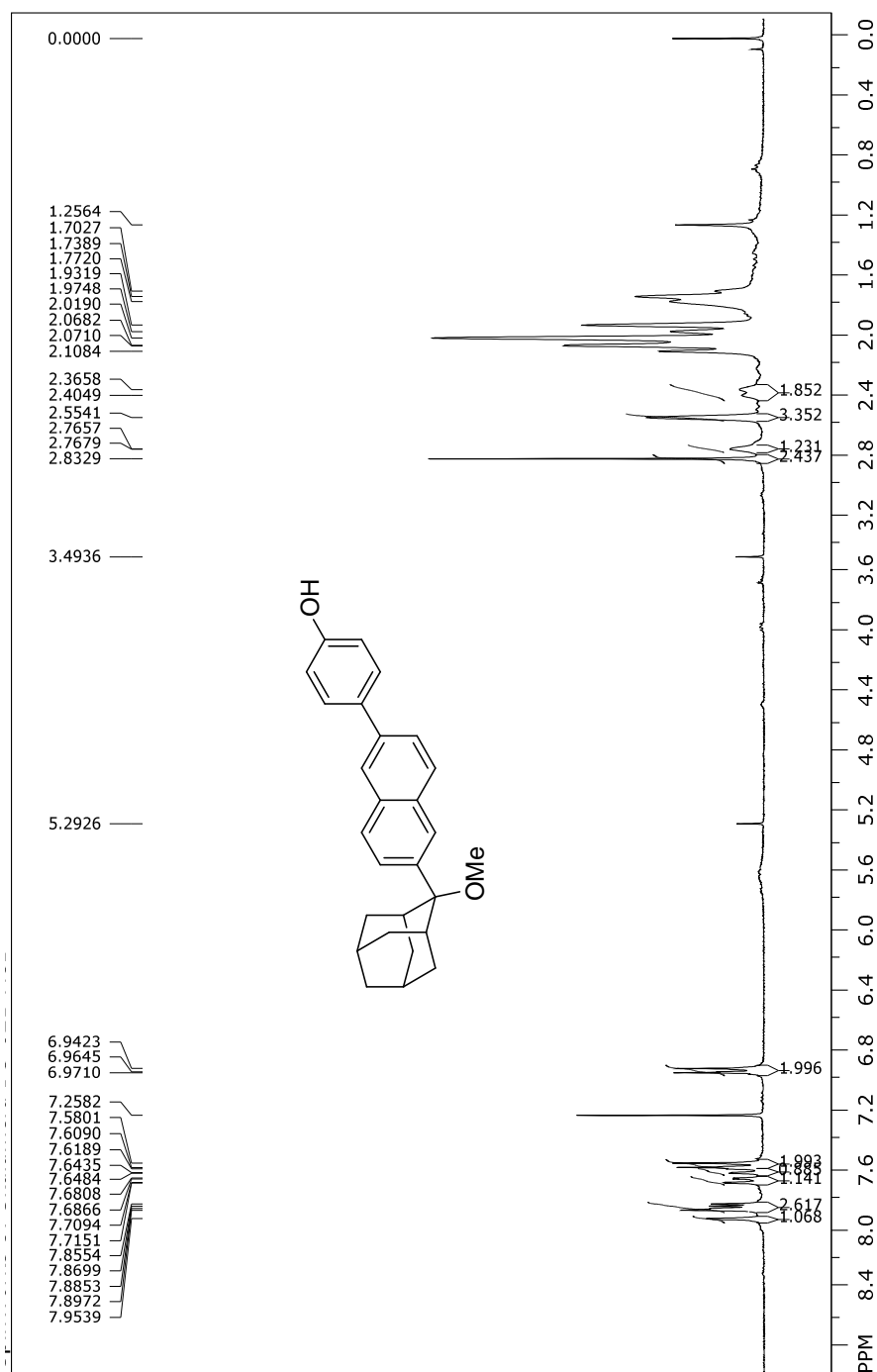
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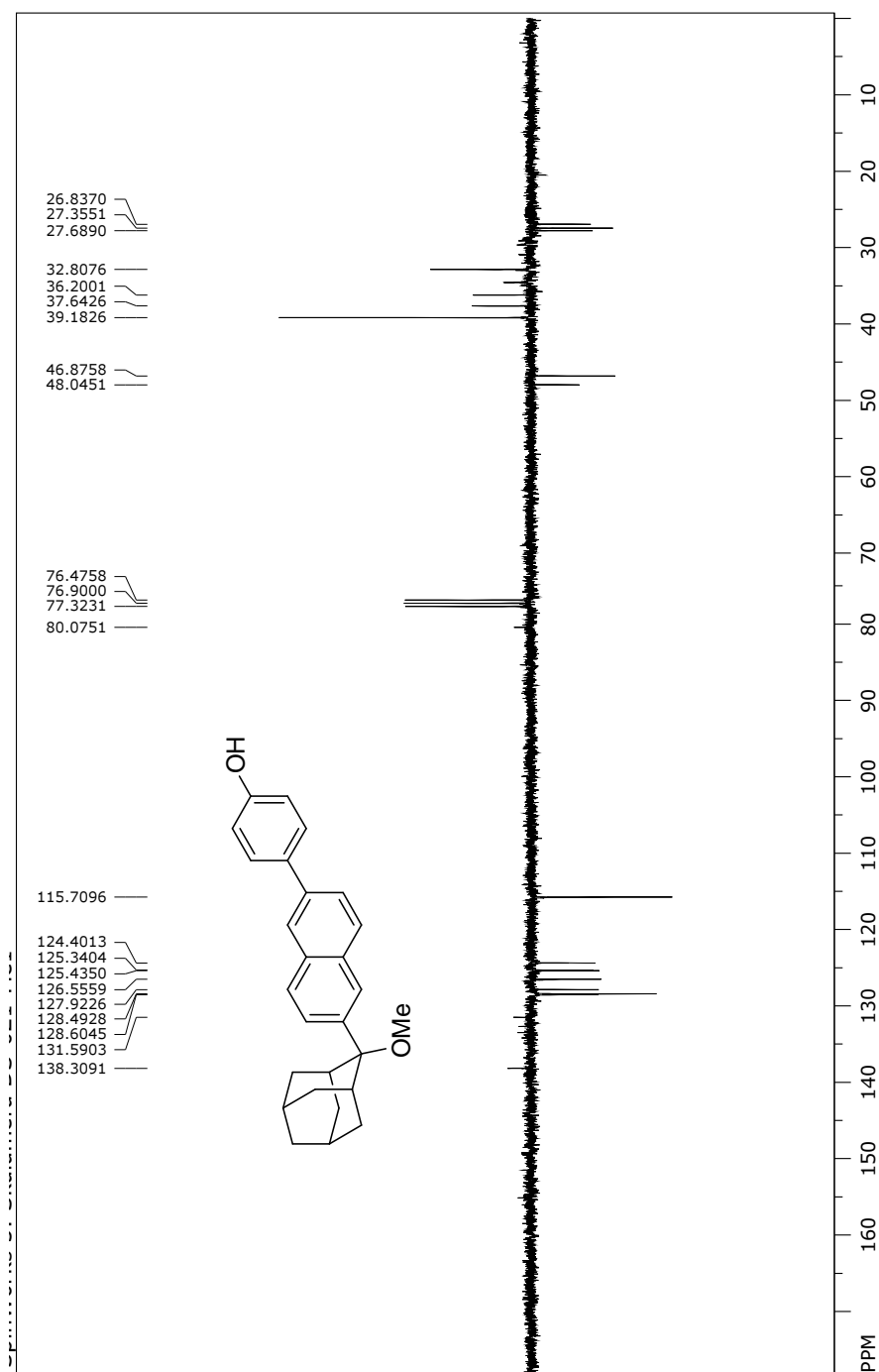
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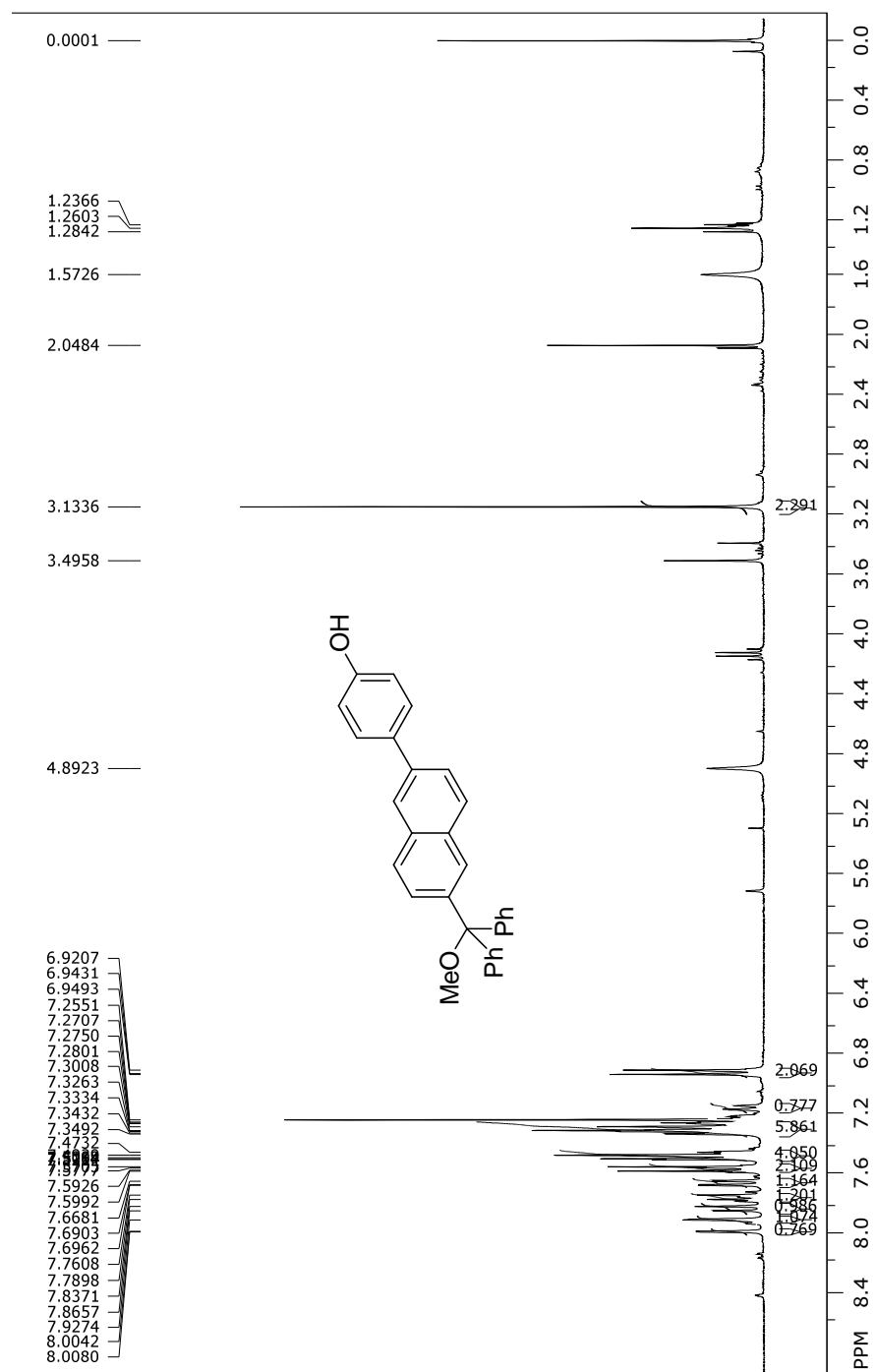


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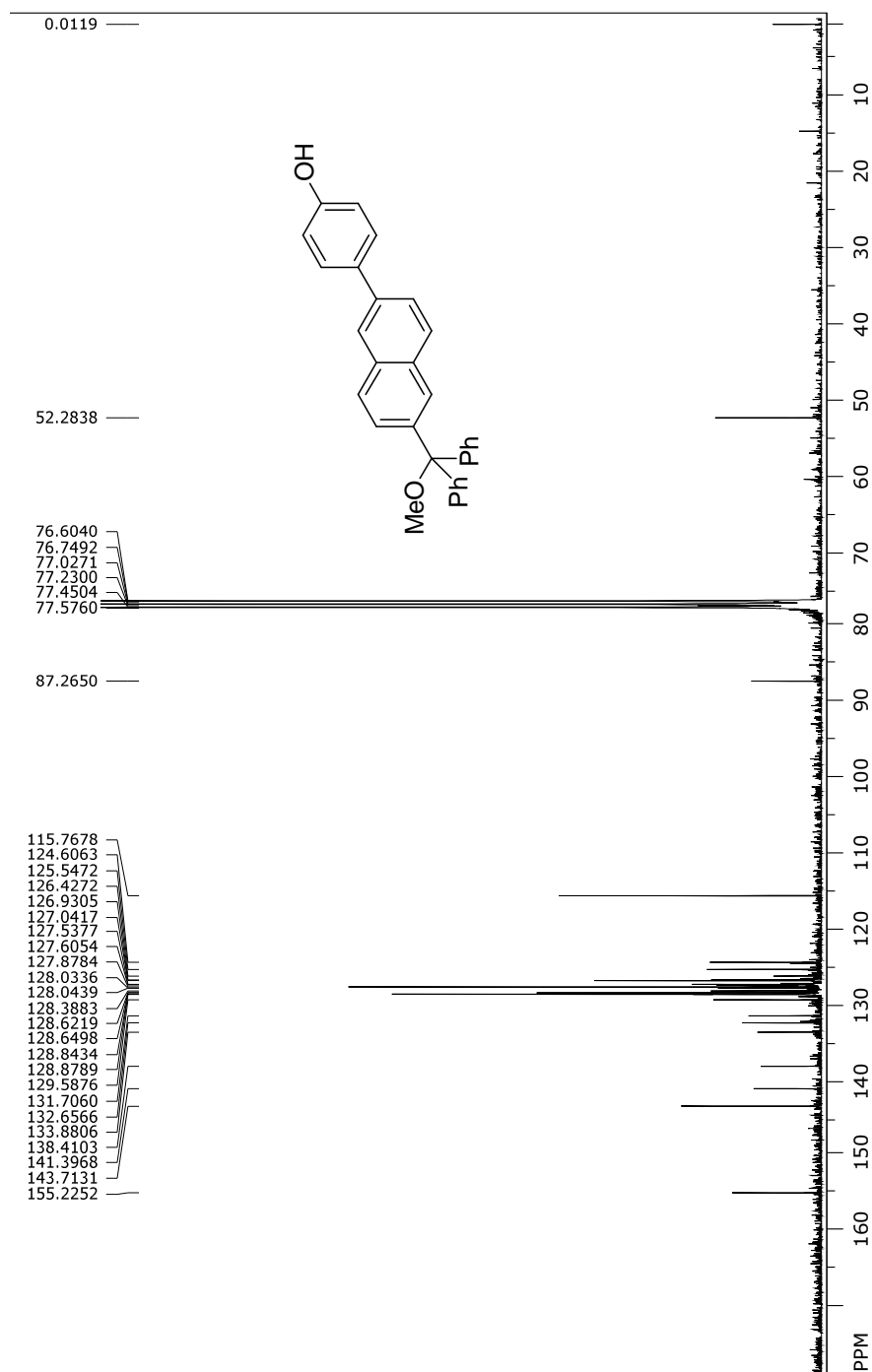




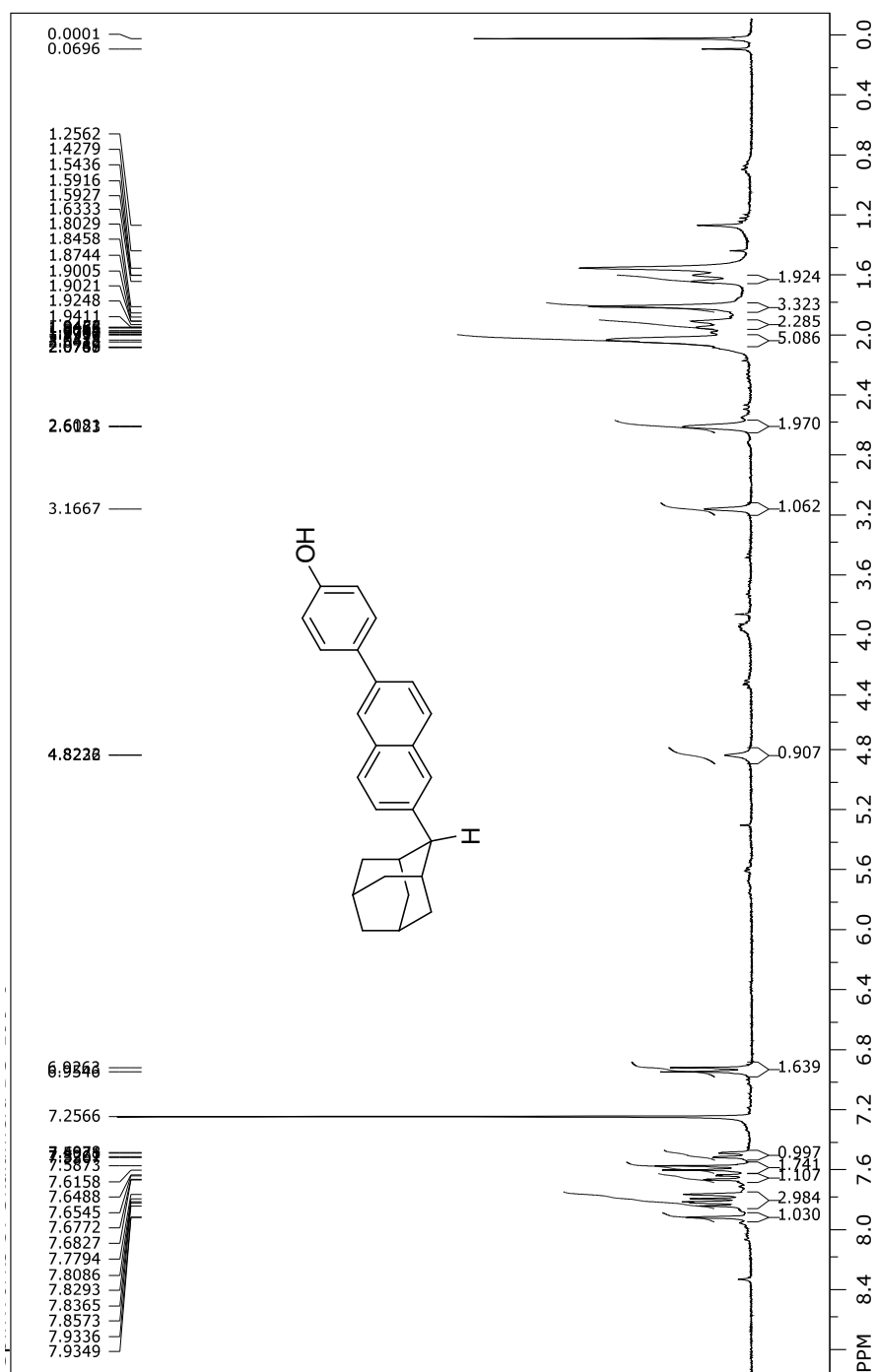
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$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound **25**.



$^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound **26**.



$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of compound **26**.

