

## Supporting Information

### Functionalization of 2-mercapto-5-methyl-1,3,4-thiadiazole: 2-( $\omega$ -haloalkylthio)-thiadiazoles vs symmetrical bis-thiadiazoles

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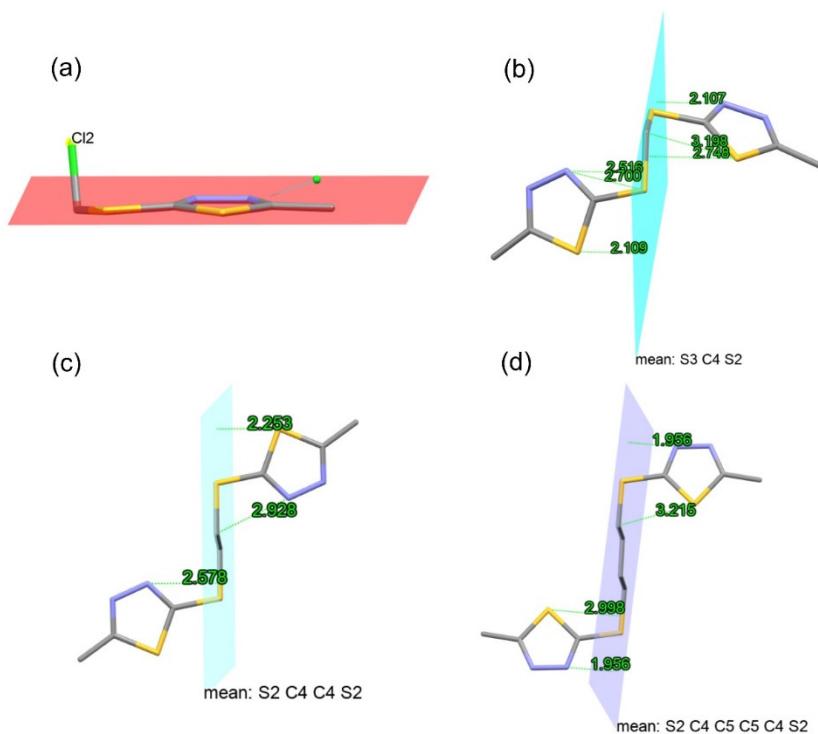
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**Table S1.** Methylene groups' signals in the NMR spectra of the products.

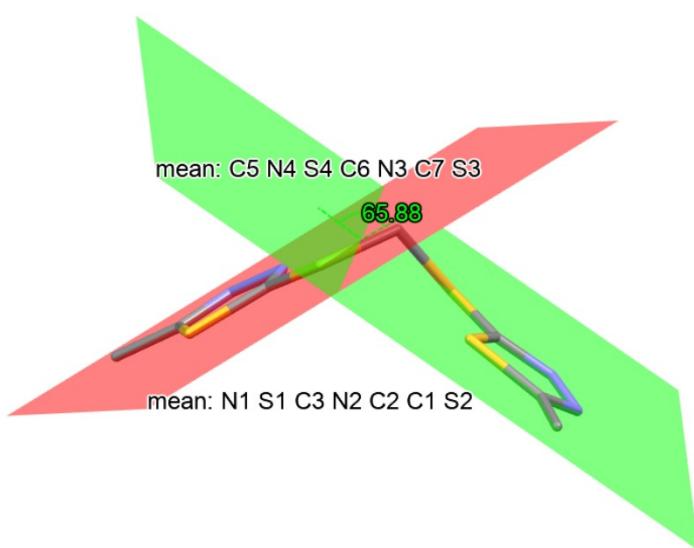
Compd.	CH <sub>2</sub> -S	CH <sub>2</sub> -C-S	CH <sub>2</sub> -C-X	CH <sub>2</sub> -X
<b>2b</b>	5.252/47.29			
<b>6</b>	5.197/36.88			
<b>3a</b>	3.724/35.18			3.743/29.69
<b>3b</b>	3.648/35.36			3.901/42.33
<b>7</b>	3.759/33.30			
<b>4a</b>	3.451/32.09	2.372/31.72		3.551/31.66
<b>4b</b>	3.453/30.89	2.293/31.69		3.692/43.12
<b>8</b>	3.445/32.39	2.328/28.63		
<b>5a</b>	3.337/32.97	1.970/27.78	2.032/31.47	3.438/32.76
<b>5b</b>	3.337/33.13	1.945 (common)/26.54	1.945 (common)/31.33	3.573/44.24
<b>9</b>	3.333/33.29	1.968/28.20		

**Table S2.** Most important data collection and crystallographic refinement parameters for compounds **2b** (as HCl salt), **6**, **7** and **9**.

Compound	<b>2b</b> (HCl)	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>
Empirical formula	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> S <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>8</sub> N <sub>4</sub> S <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>10</sub> N <sub>4</sub> S <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>4</sub> S <sub>4</sub>
Formula weight	217.13	276.41	290.44	318.49
Temperature/K	290	290	295.00	290.00
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Triclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> — <i>I</i>
a/Å	8.3182(6)	13.6976(9)	12.3542(11)	5.640(3)
b/Å	11.8171(7)	5.6120(3)	5.4771(5)	6.849(4)
c/Å	9.5657(6)	16.5588(11)	9.8294(8)	9.469(6)
α/°	90	90	90	99.56(2)
β/°	114.594(9)	114.237(2)	113.270(2)	103.889(19)
γ/°	90	90	90	90.88(2)
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	854.98(11)	1160.69(13)	611.00(9)	349.5(4)
Z	4	4	2	1
ρ <sub>calcg</sub> /cm <sup>3</sup>	1.687	1.582	1.579	1.513
μ/mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.174	0.790	0.754	0.667
F(000)	440.0	568.0	300.0	166.0
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.35×0.35×0.35	0.4×0.1×0.08	0.22 × 0.2 × 0.15	0.22 × 0.19 × 0.18
Radiation	Mo Kα λ = 0.71073	Mo Kα λ = 0.71073	Mo Kα λ = 0.71073	Mo Kα λ = 0.71073
2Θ range for data collection/°	5.816 – 58.898	5.396 to 50.752	8.262 to 52.852	4.5 to 52.996
Reflections collected/independent	4819/2089	30650/2116	16853/1248	4686/1422
Index ranges R <sub>int</sub> $I >= 2\sigma(I)$ /all data	0.0267/0.0308	0.0491/0.0190	0.0536/0.0349	0.0322/0.0335
Reflections/restraints/parameters	2089/0/97	2116/0/139	1248/0/83	1422/0/83
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.039	1.064	1.080	1.161
Final R indexes [ $I >= 2\sigma(I)$ ]	$R_1 = 0.0274$ , $wR_2 = 0.0692$	$R_1 = 0.0297$ , $wR_2 = 0.0687$	$R_1 = 0.0392$ , $wR_2 = 0.0970$	$R_1 = 0.0504$ , $wR_2 = 0.1140$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0331$ , $wR_2 = 0.0741$	$R_1 = 0.0345$ , $wR_2 = 0.0722$	$R_1 = 0.0409$ , $wR_2 = 0.0991$	$R_1 = 0.0596$ , $wR_2 = 0.1178$
Largest diff. peak/hole/e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.29/-0.29	0.52/-0.49	0.49/-0.30	0.48/-0.35
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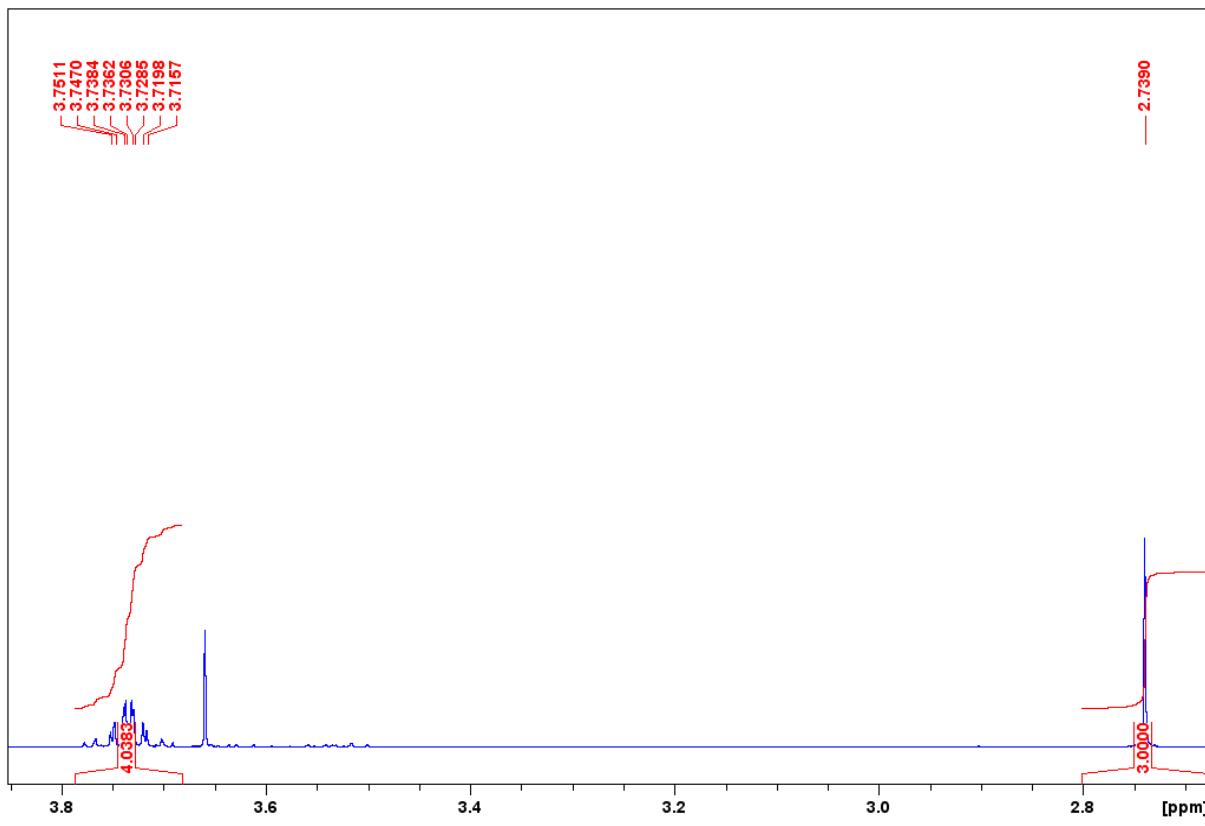
**Figure S1.** Depiction of (a) the observed planarity of the 1,3,4-thiadiazole motif in **2b** (b) the different rotation of the 1,3,4-thiadiazole moiety with respect to the S–C–S spacer plane in **6**, (c) and (d) the “analogical” orientation of the 1,3,4-thiadiazole motif with respect to the S–C–C–S and S–C–C–C–C–S planes in **7** and **9** although in **7** the N atoms are interacting with the spacer while in **9** the S atoms are the interacting with the spacer.



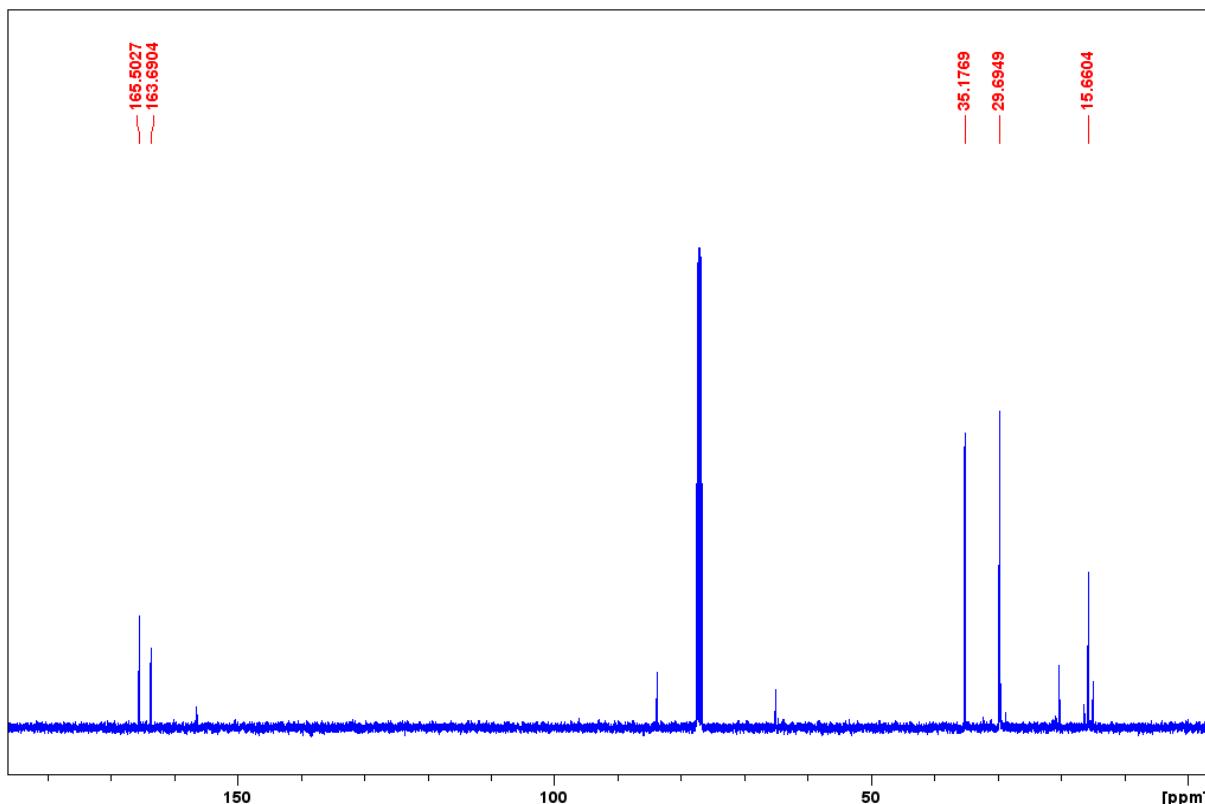
**Figure S2.** Depiction of the molecular geometry of **6** disclosing the planarity of the 1,3,4-thiadiazole ring and the angle their relative orientation (angle between the mean planes of 65.88°).

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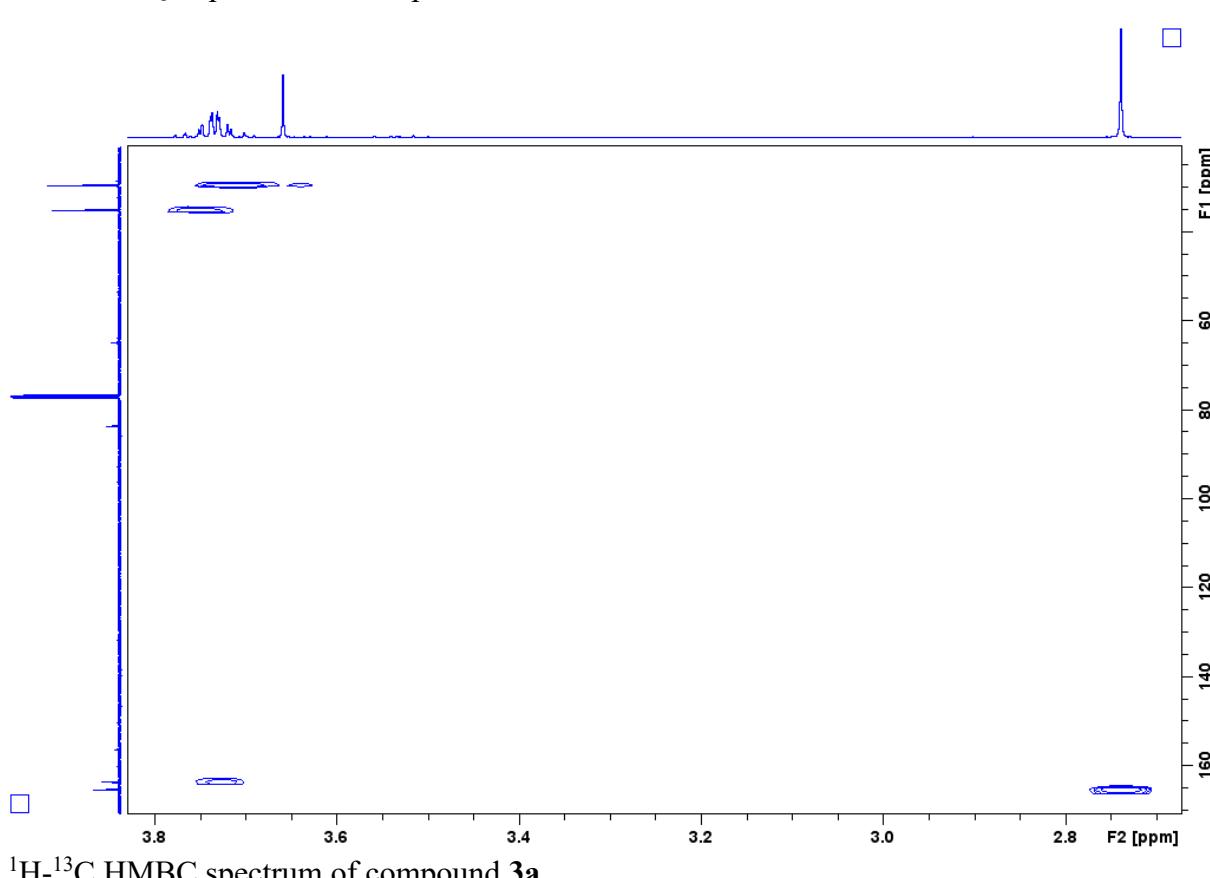
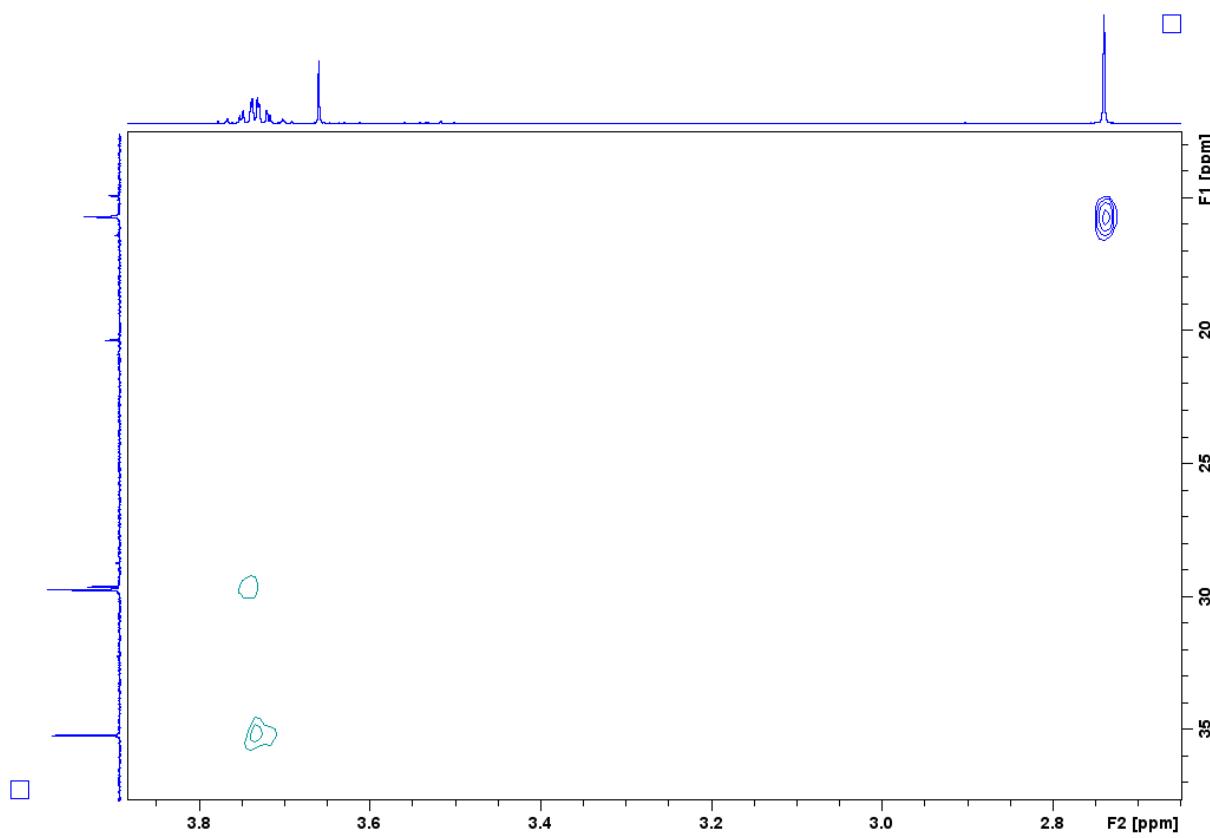
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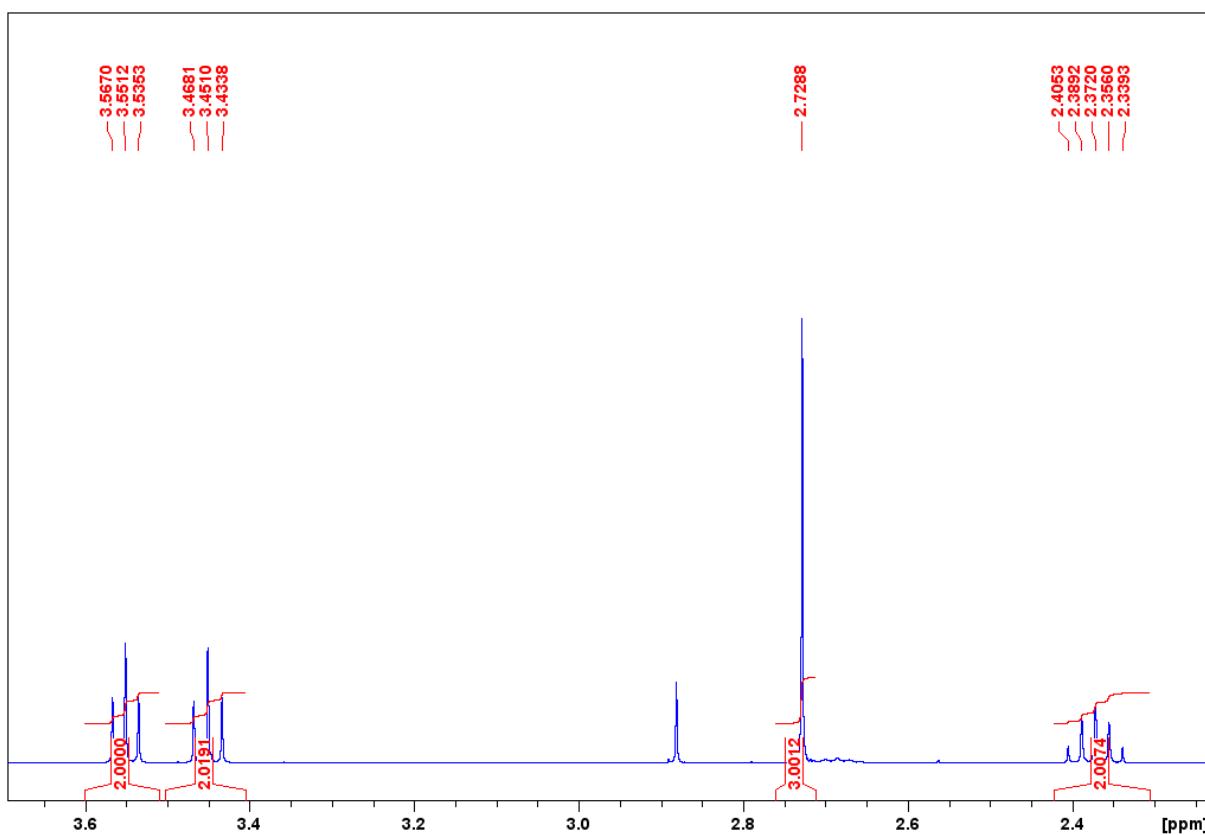
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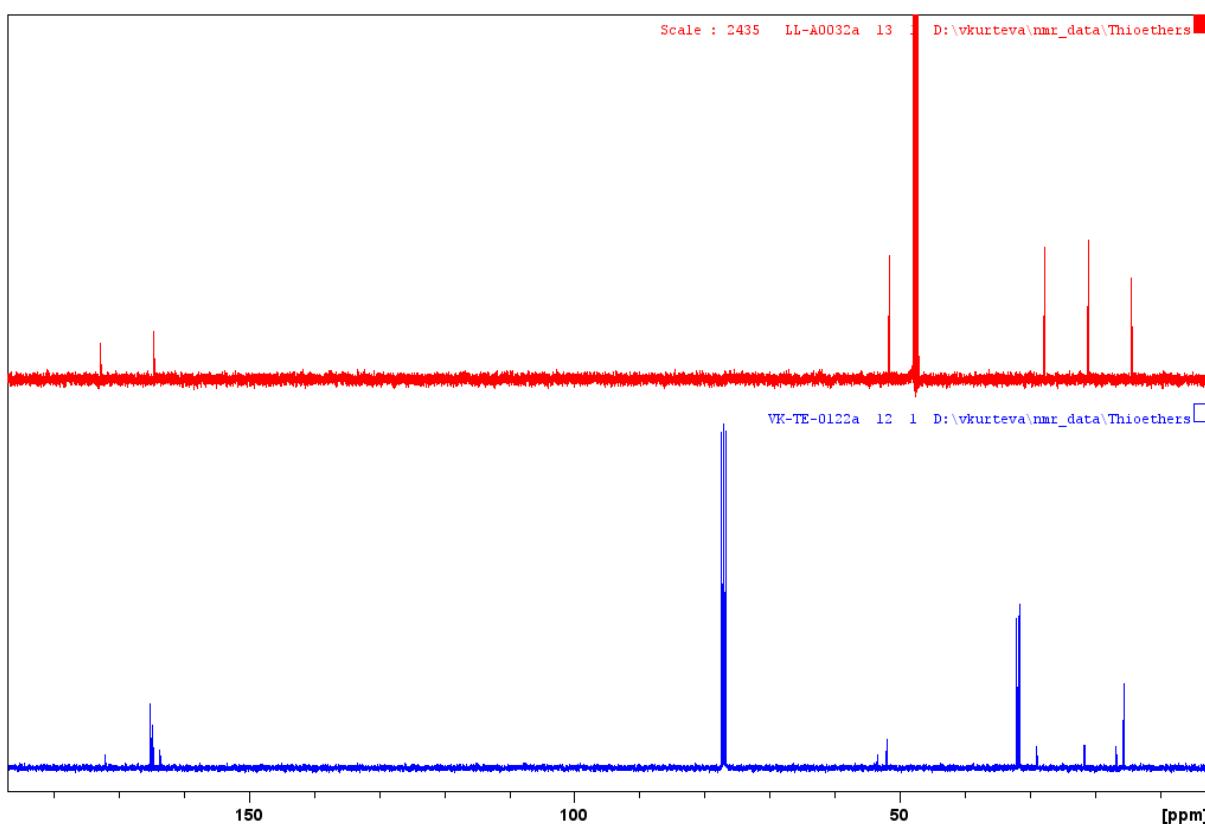
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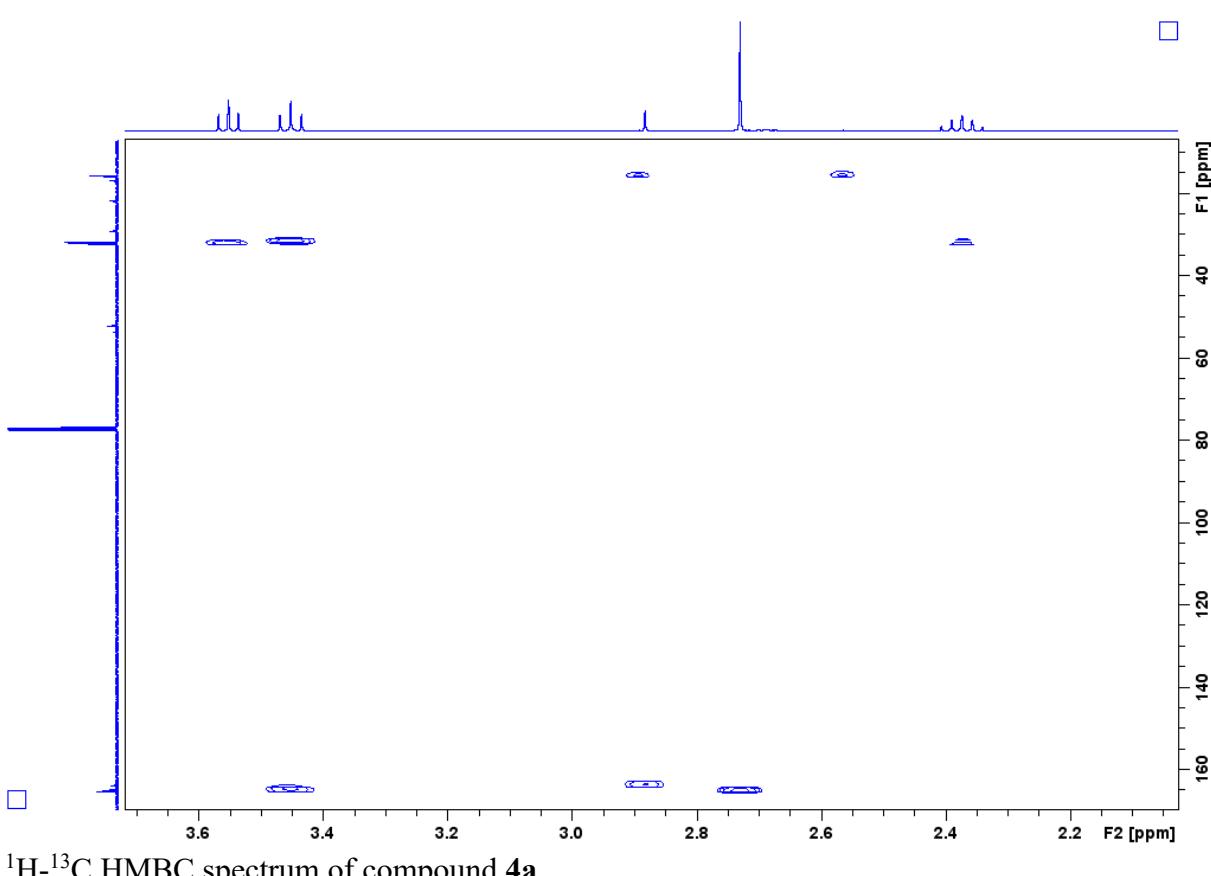
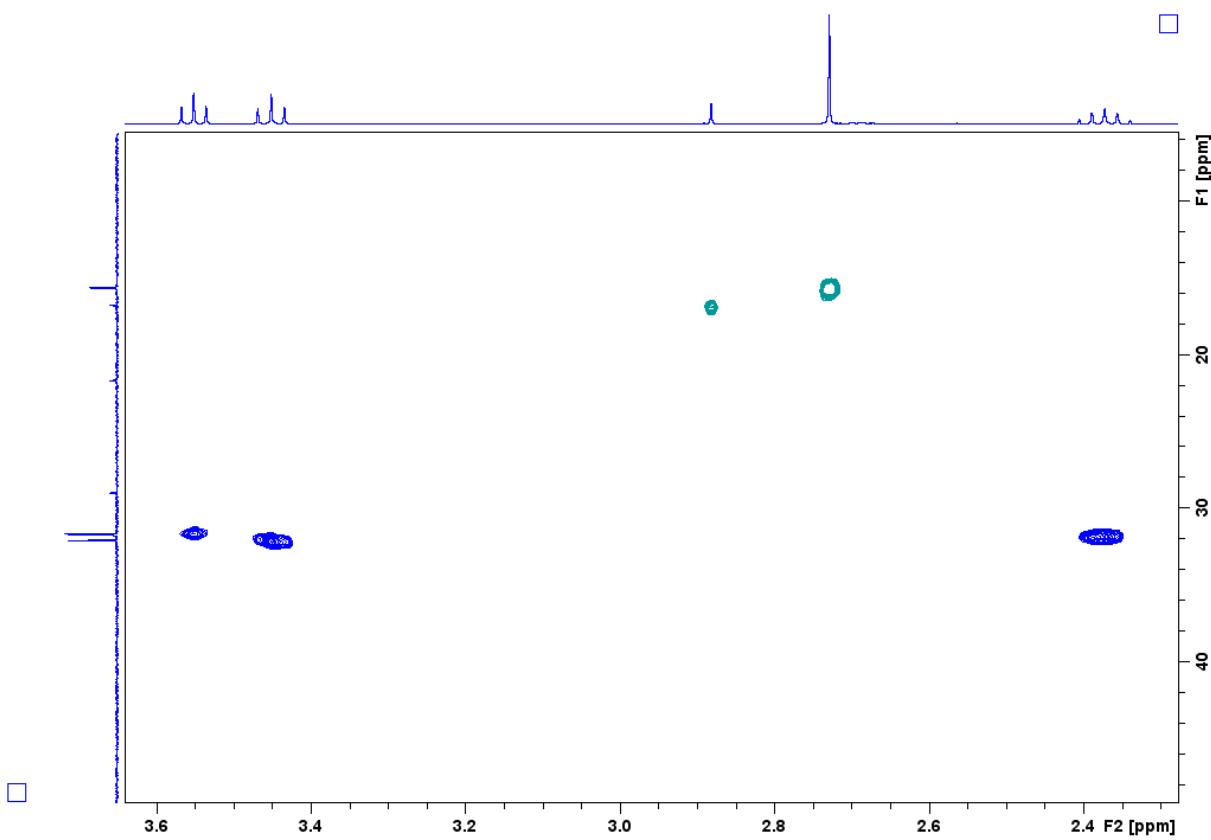
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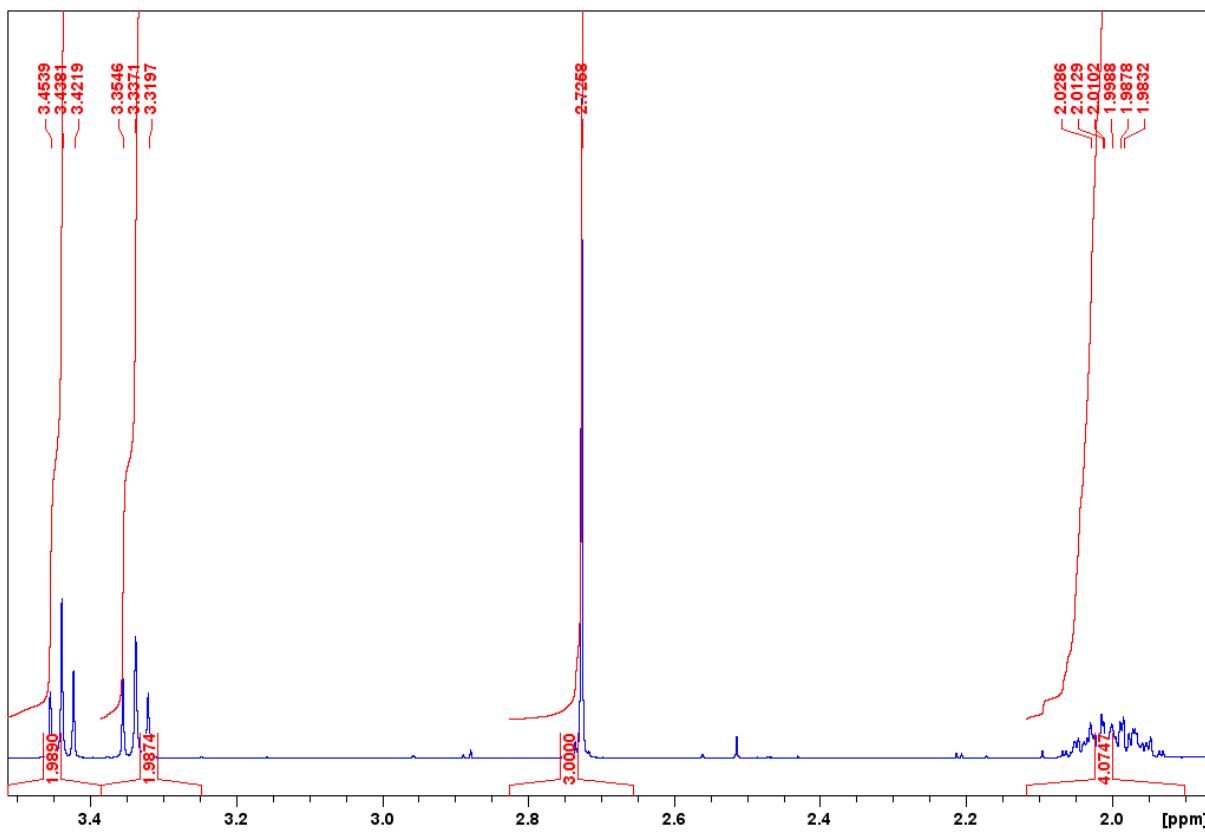
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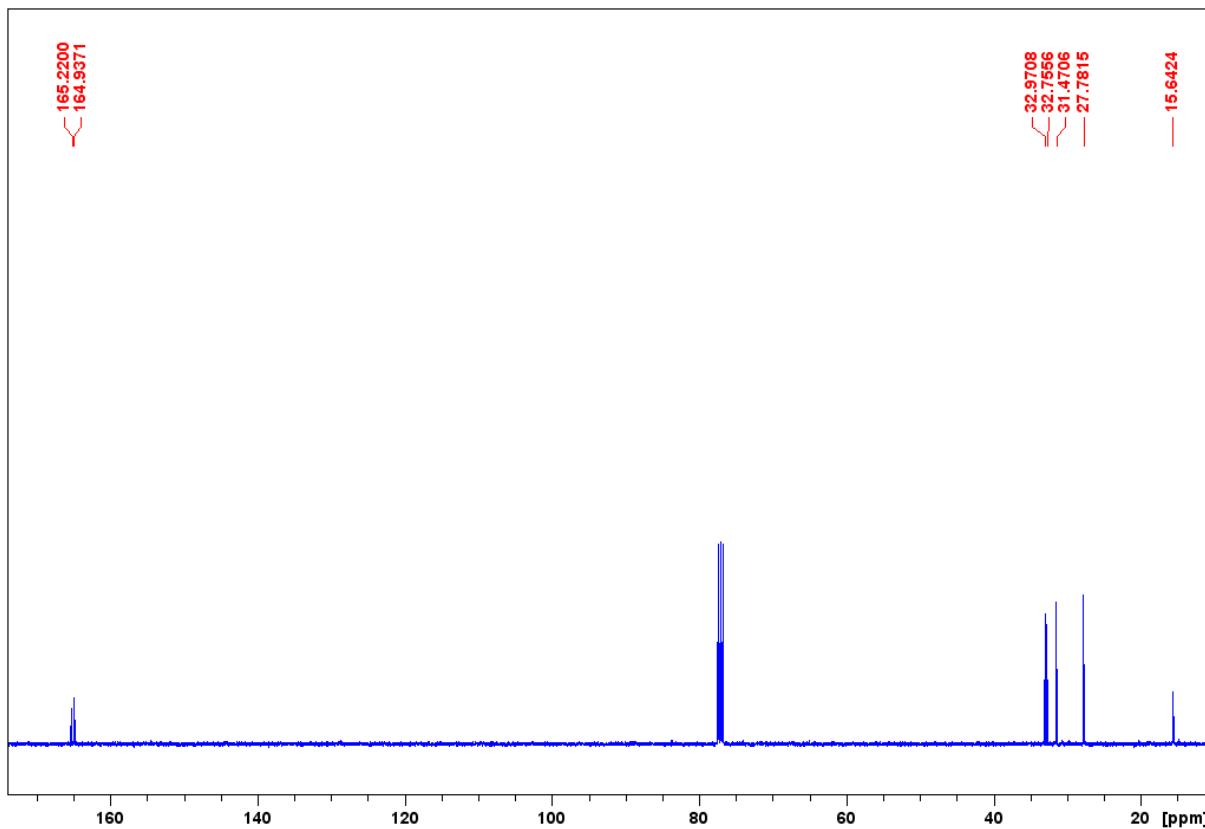
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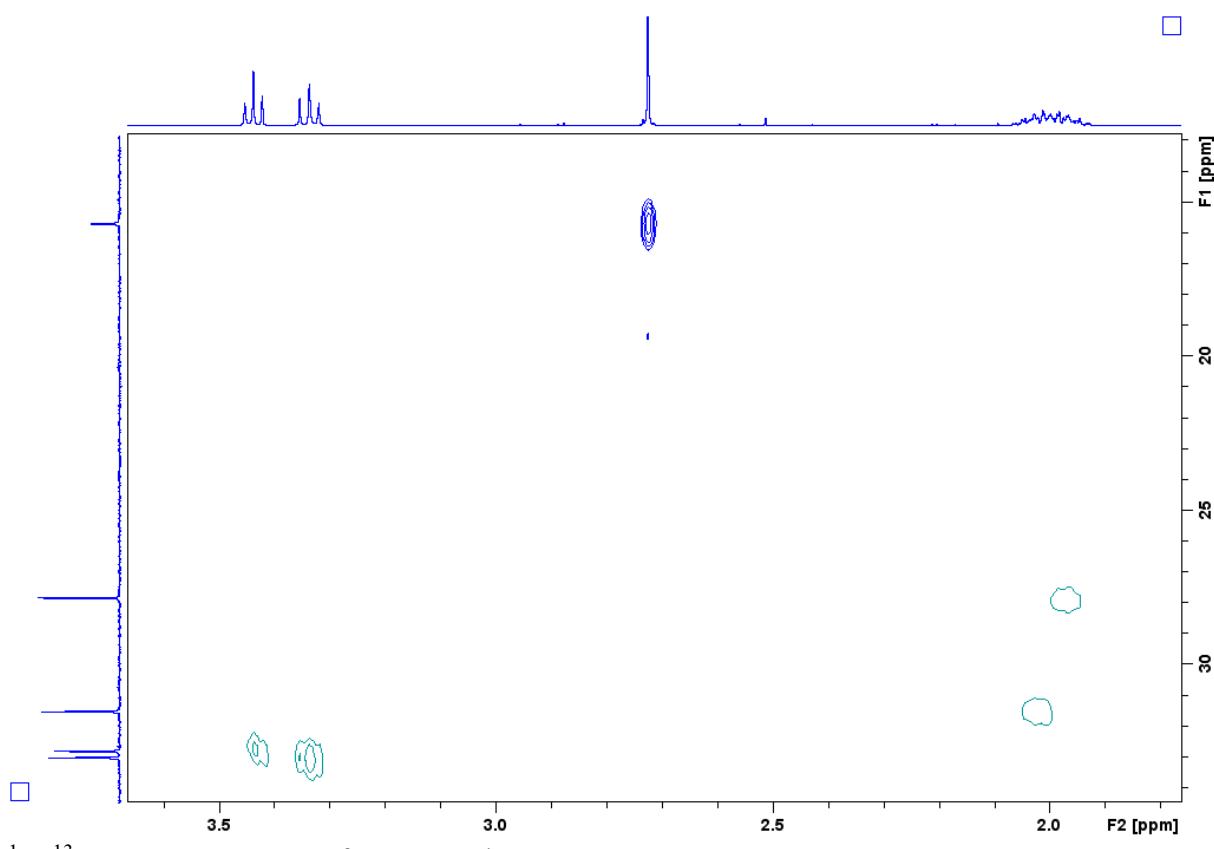
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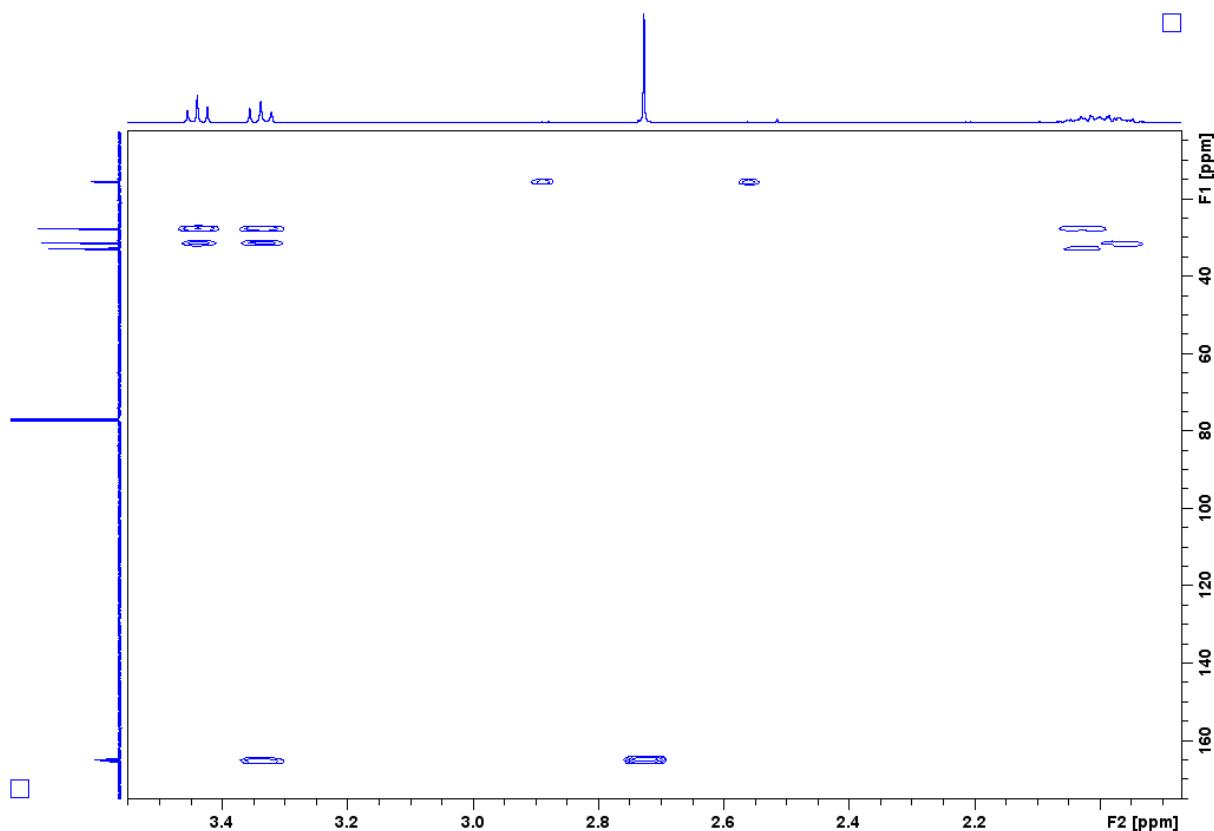
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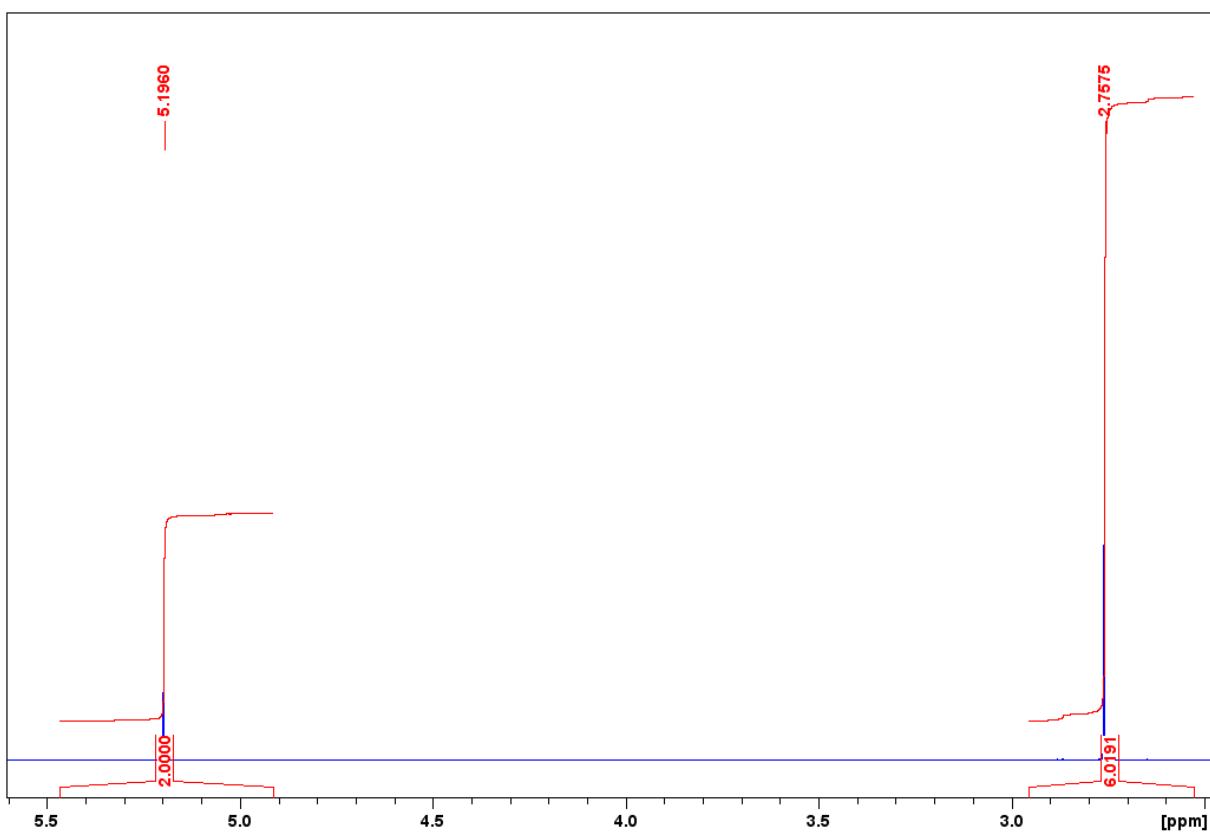


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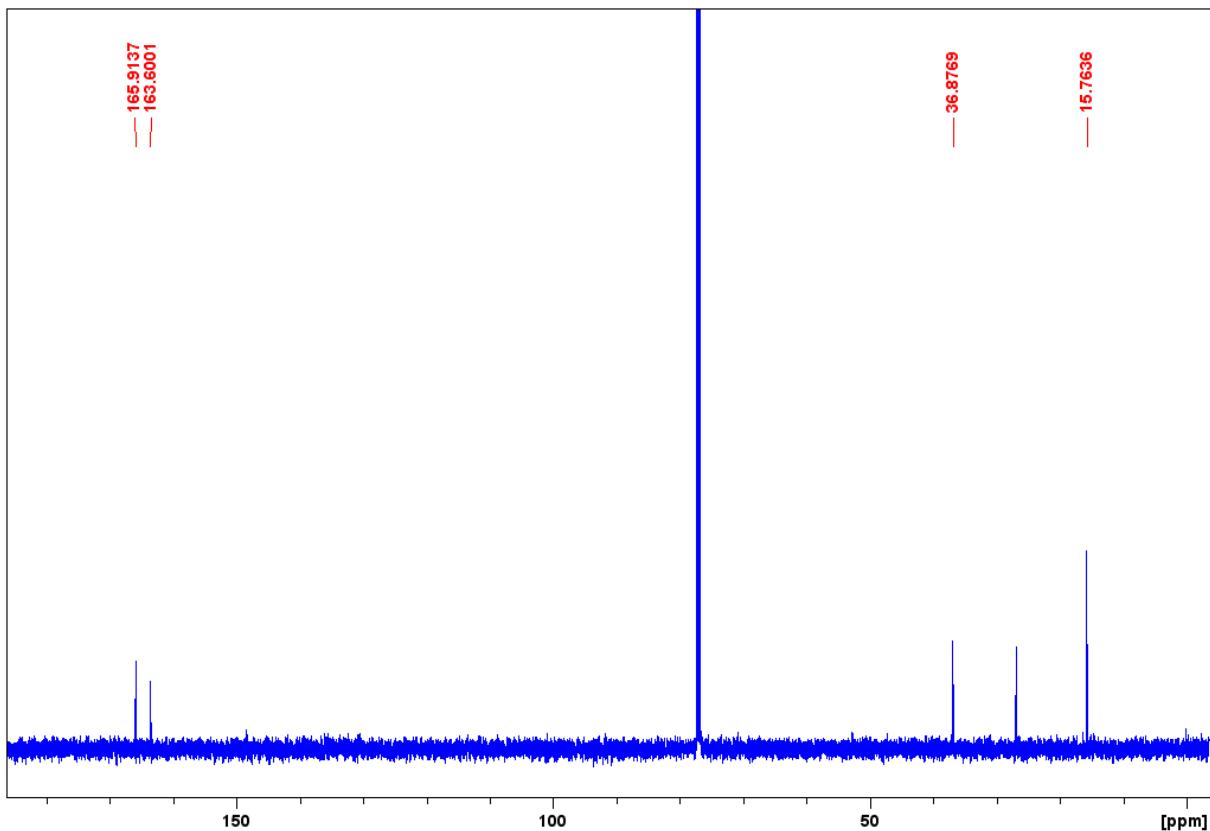


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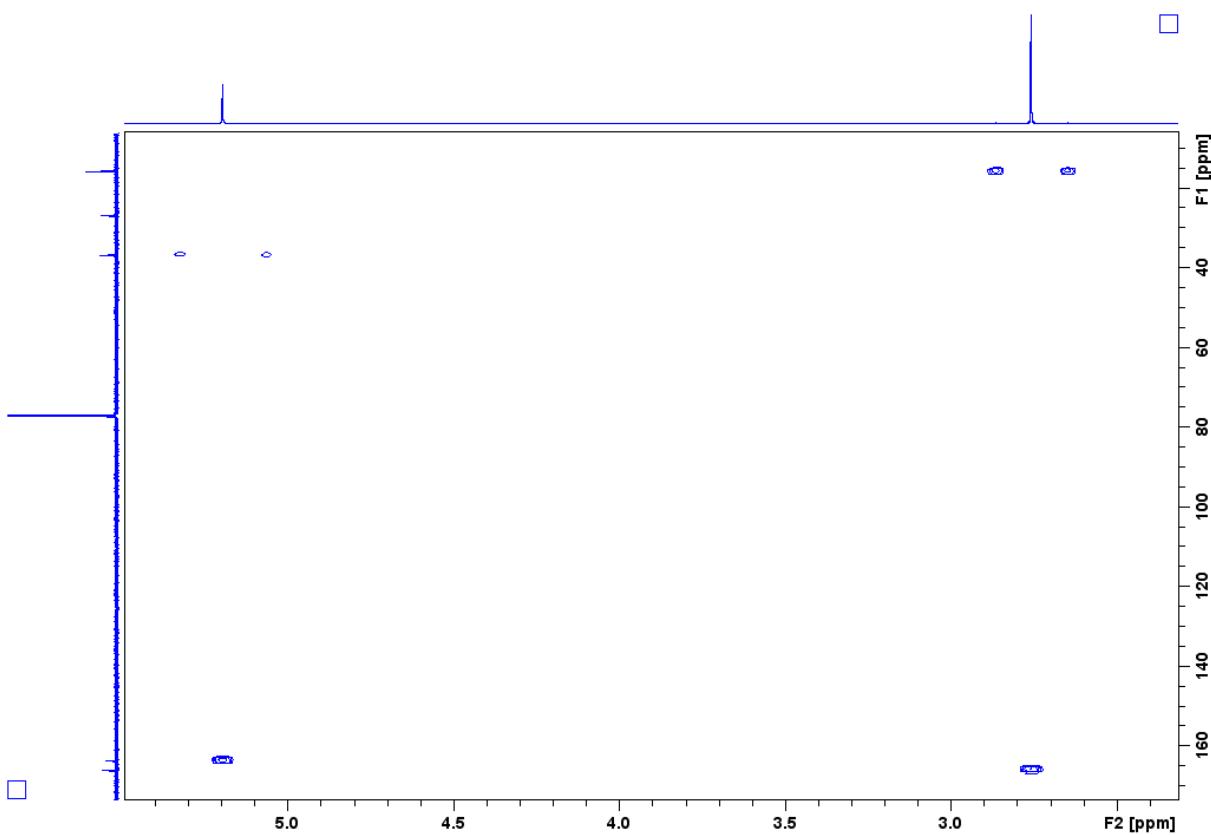
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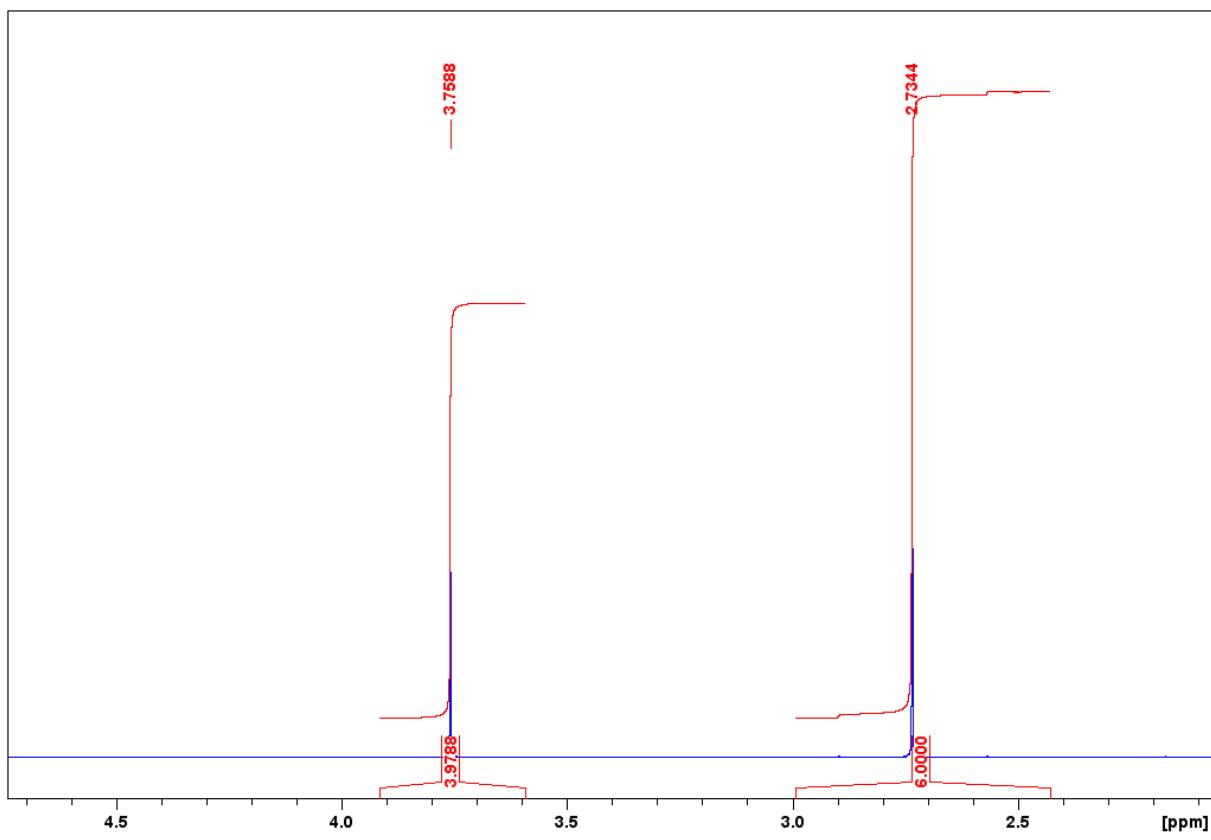


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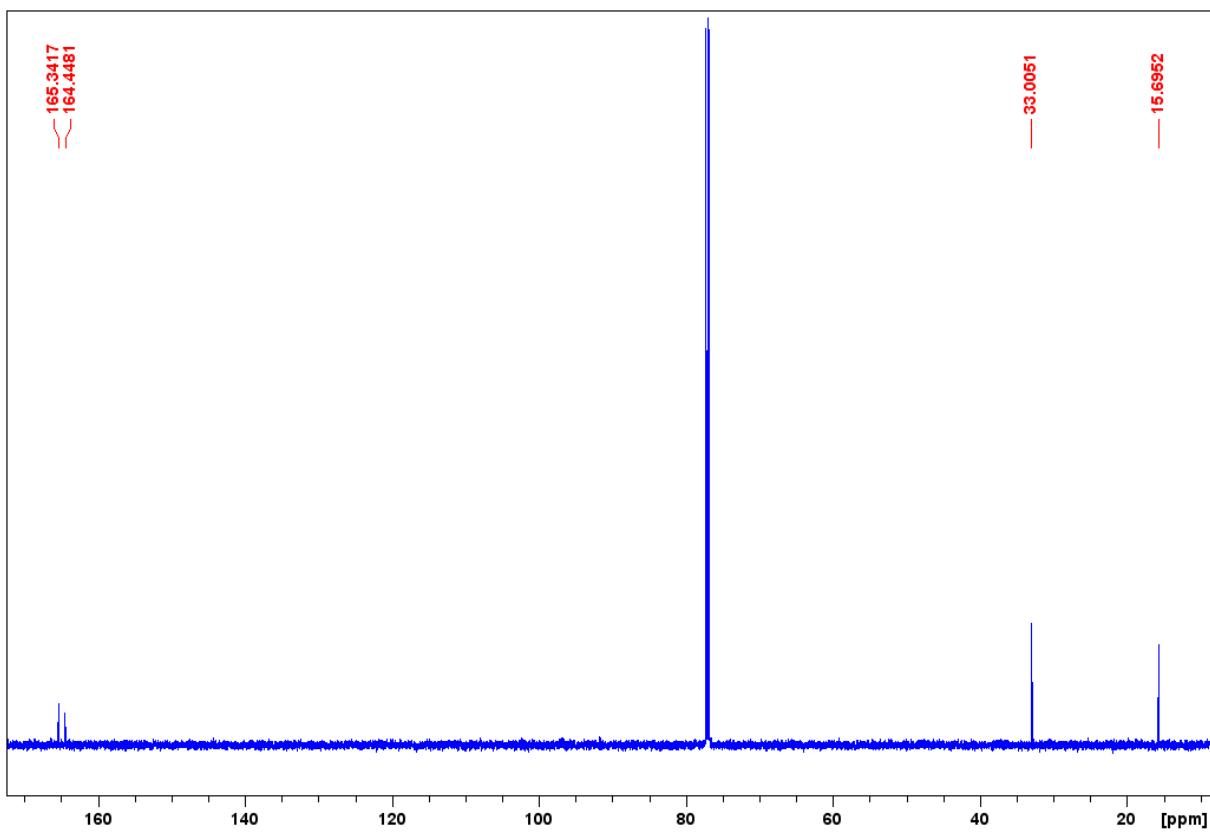


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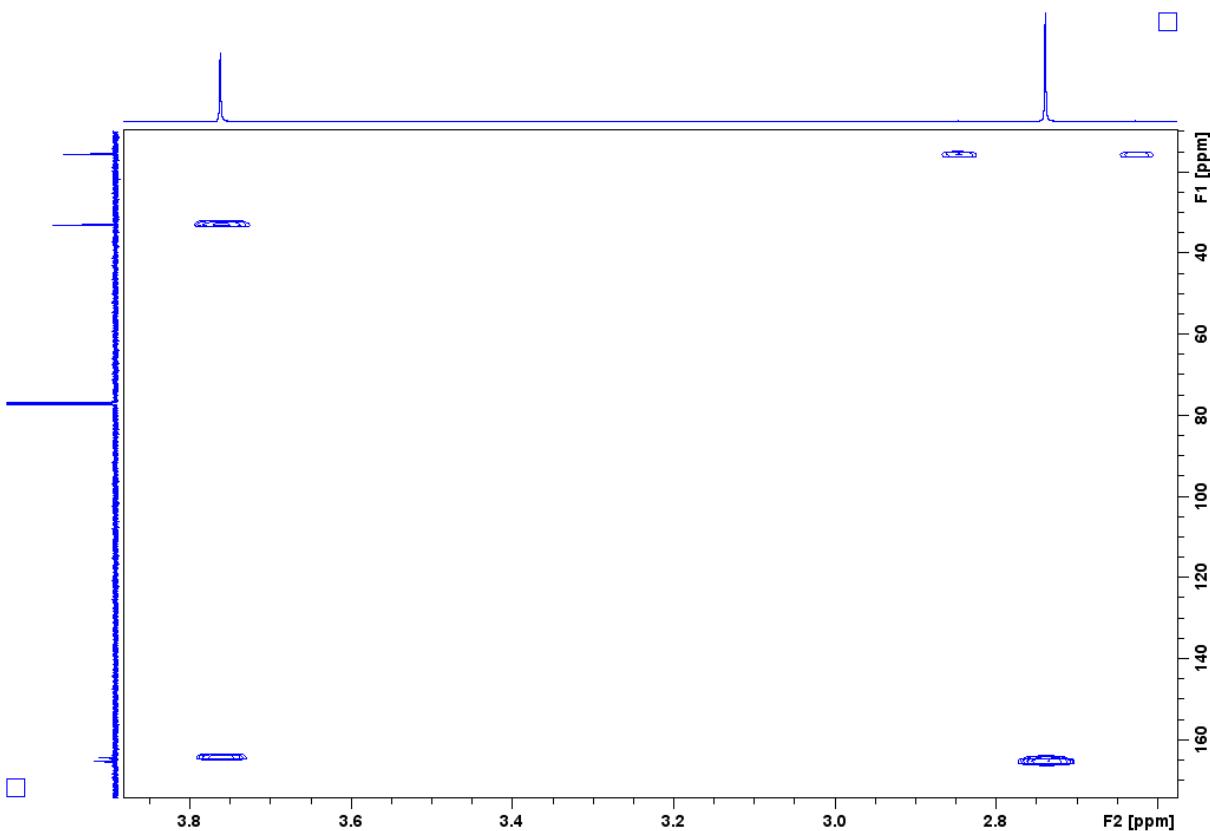
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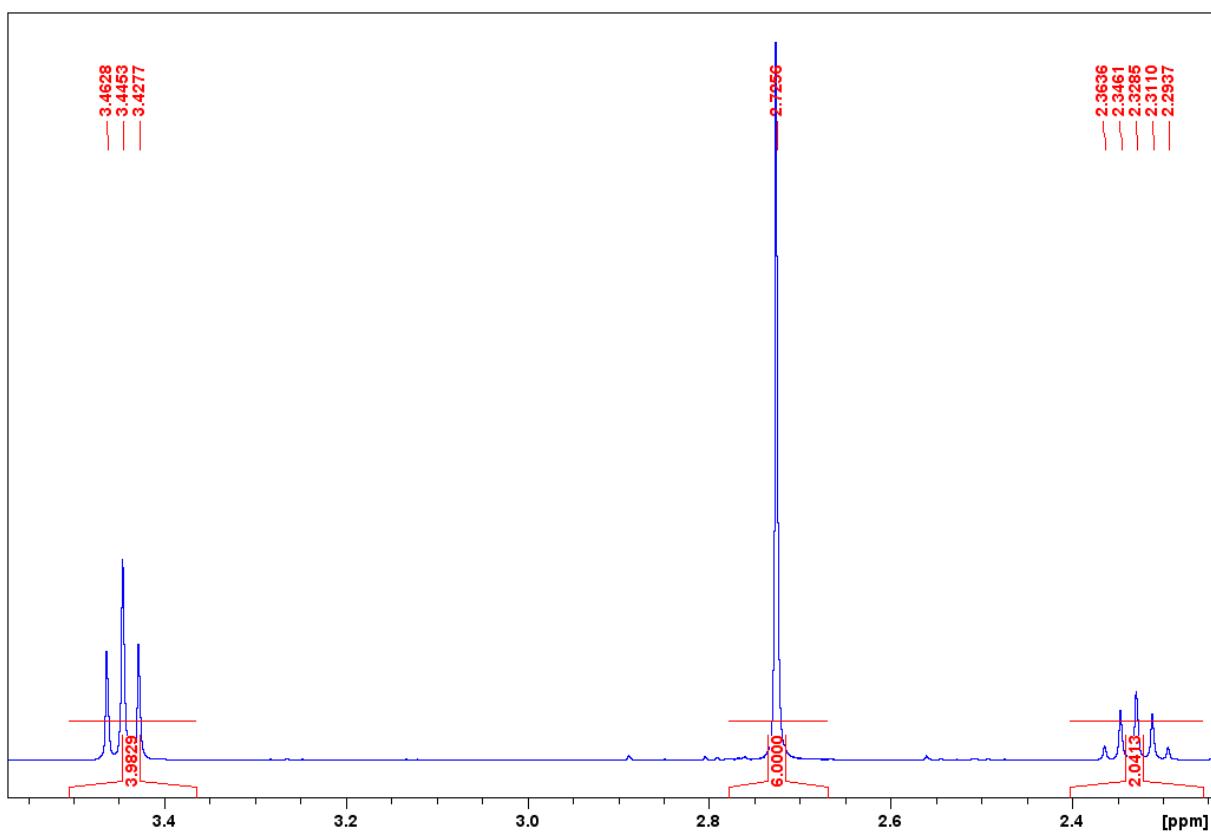


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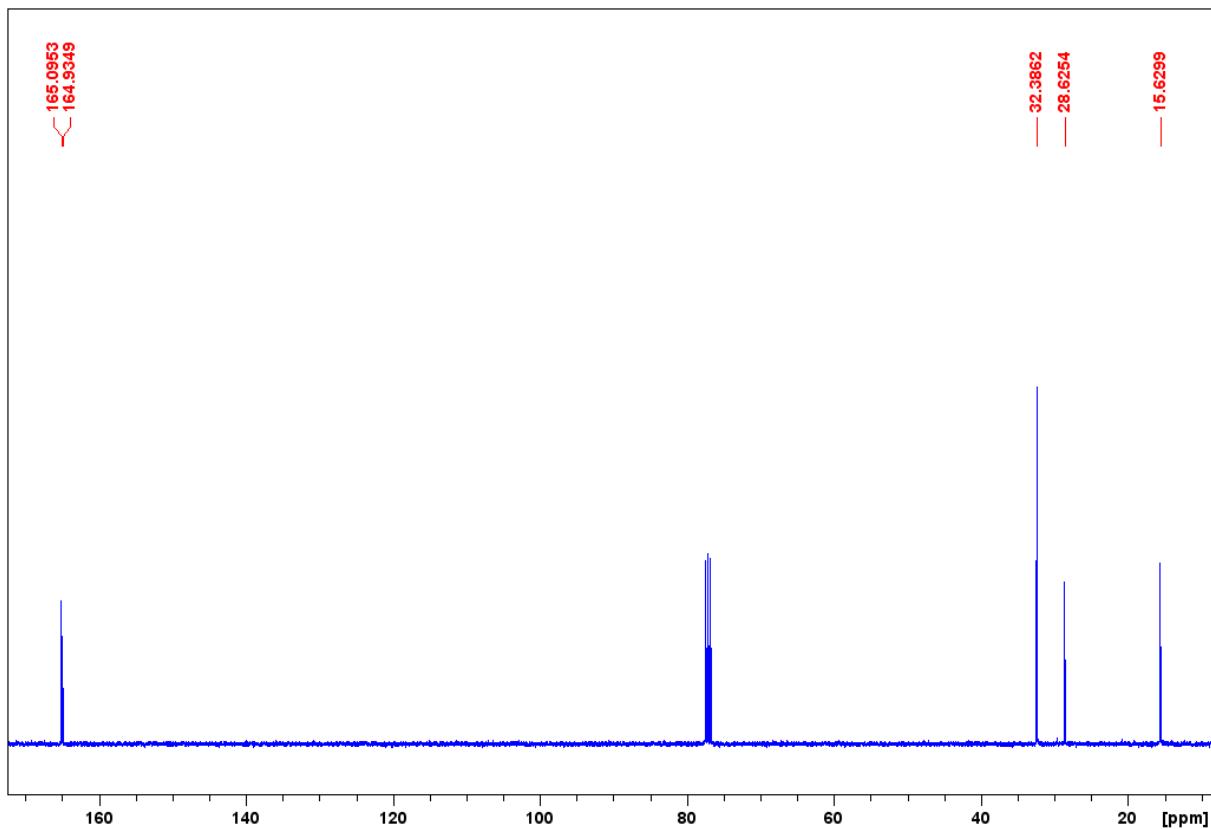


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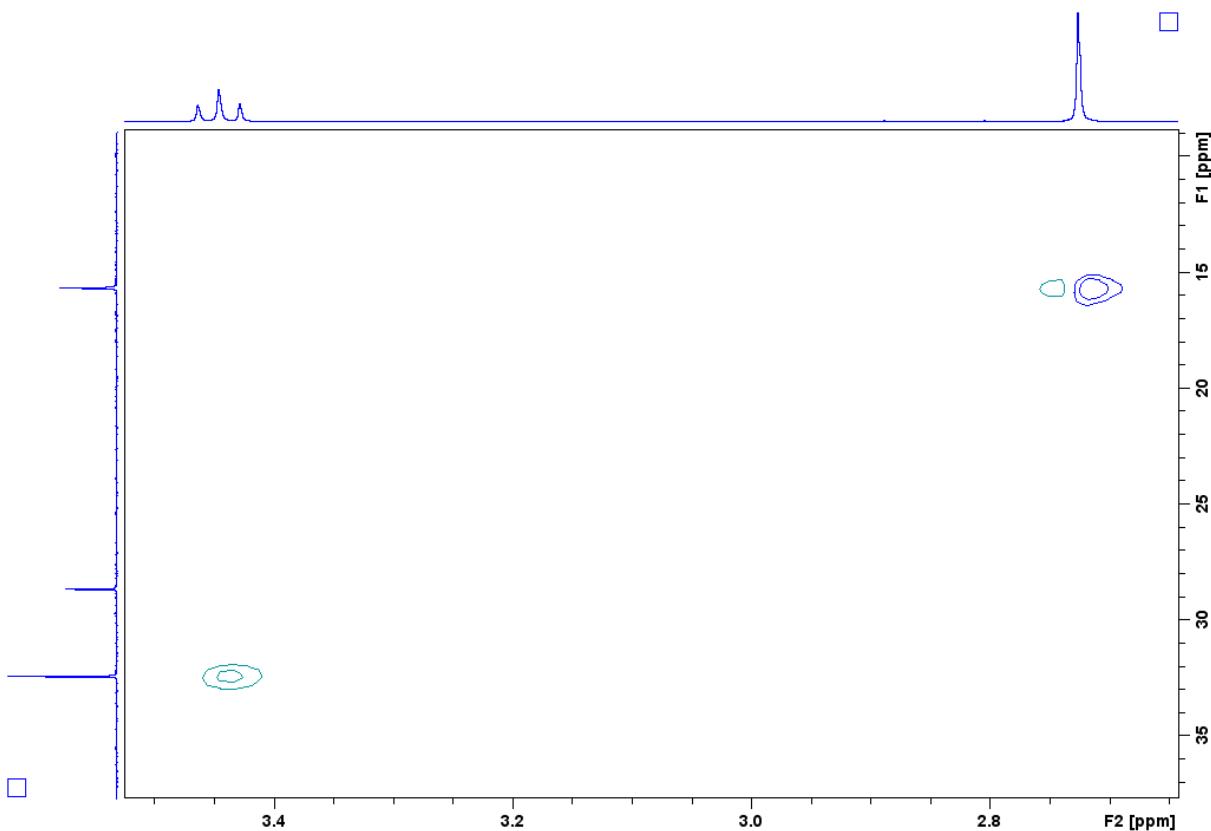
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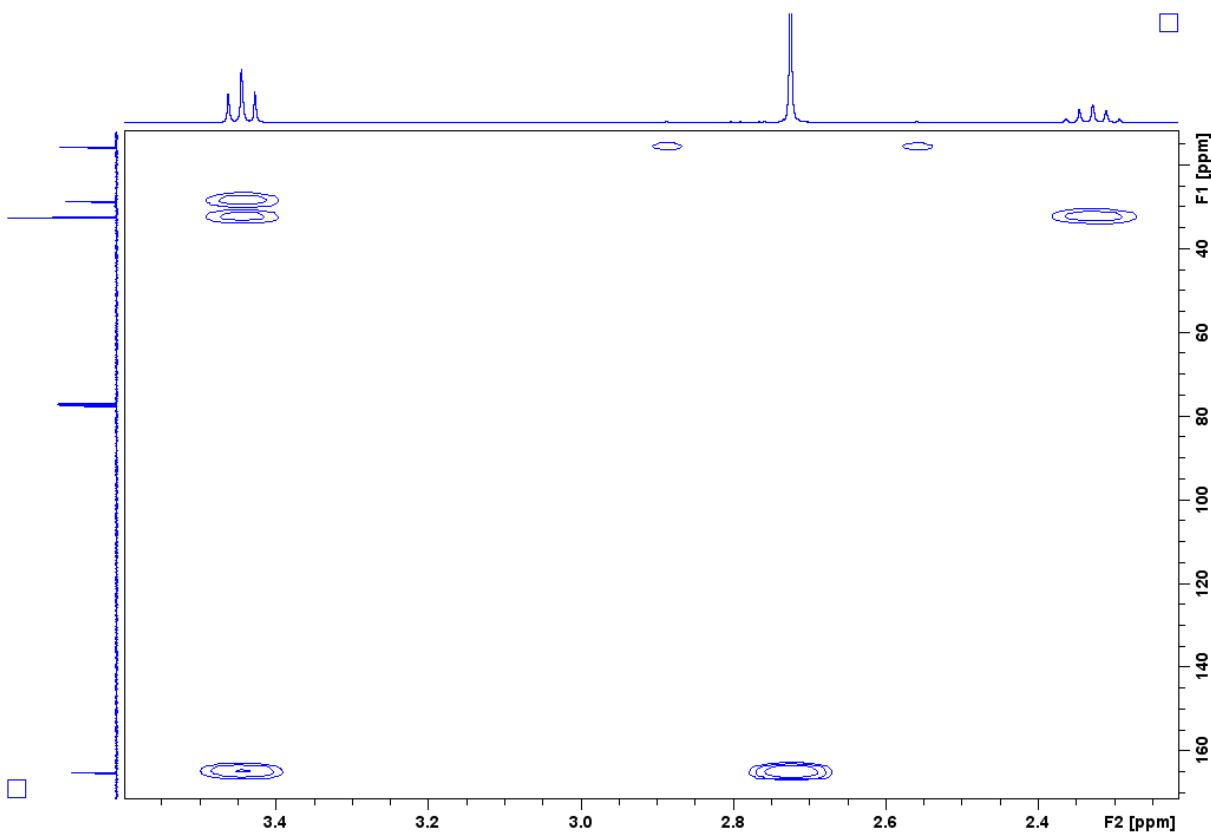
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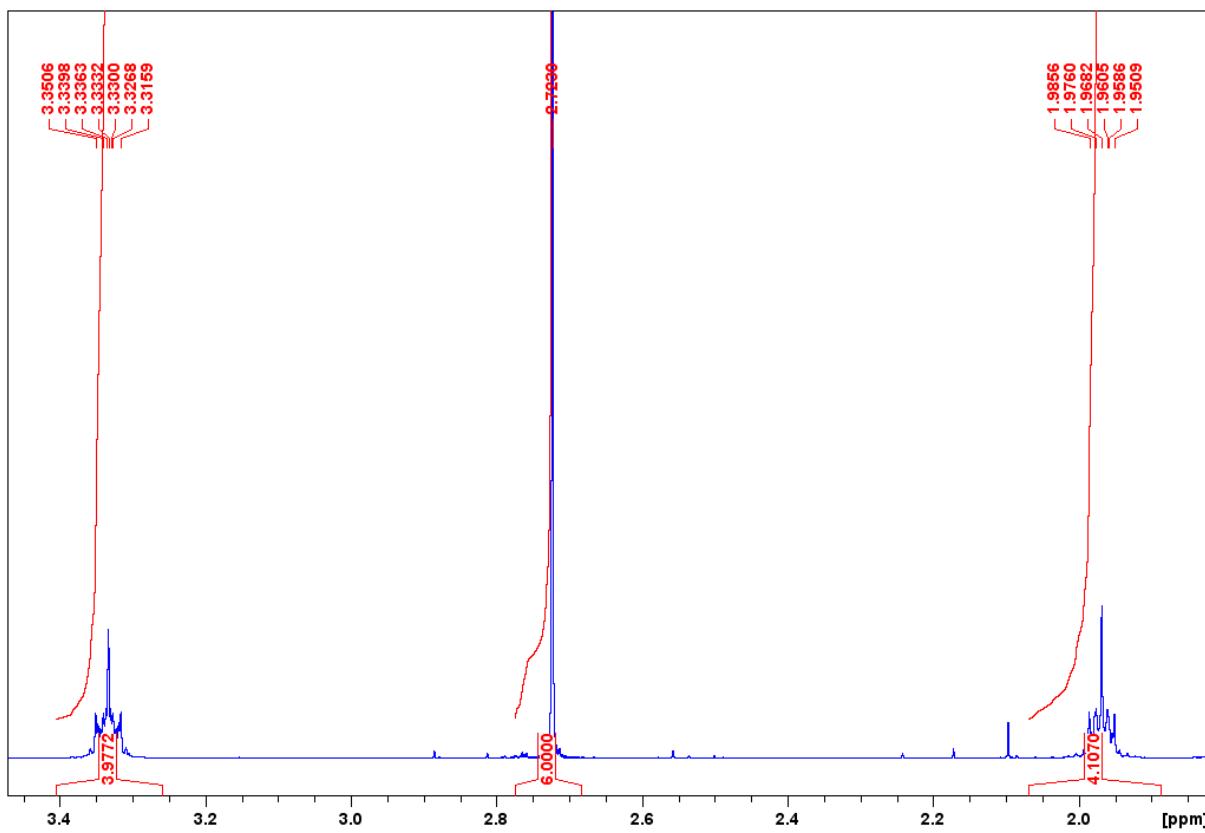


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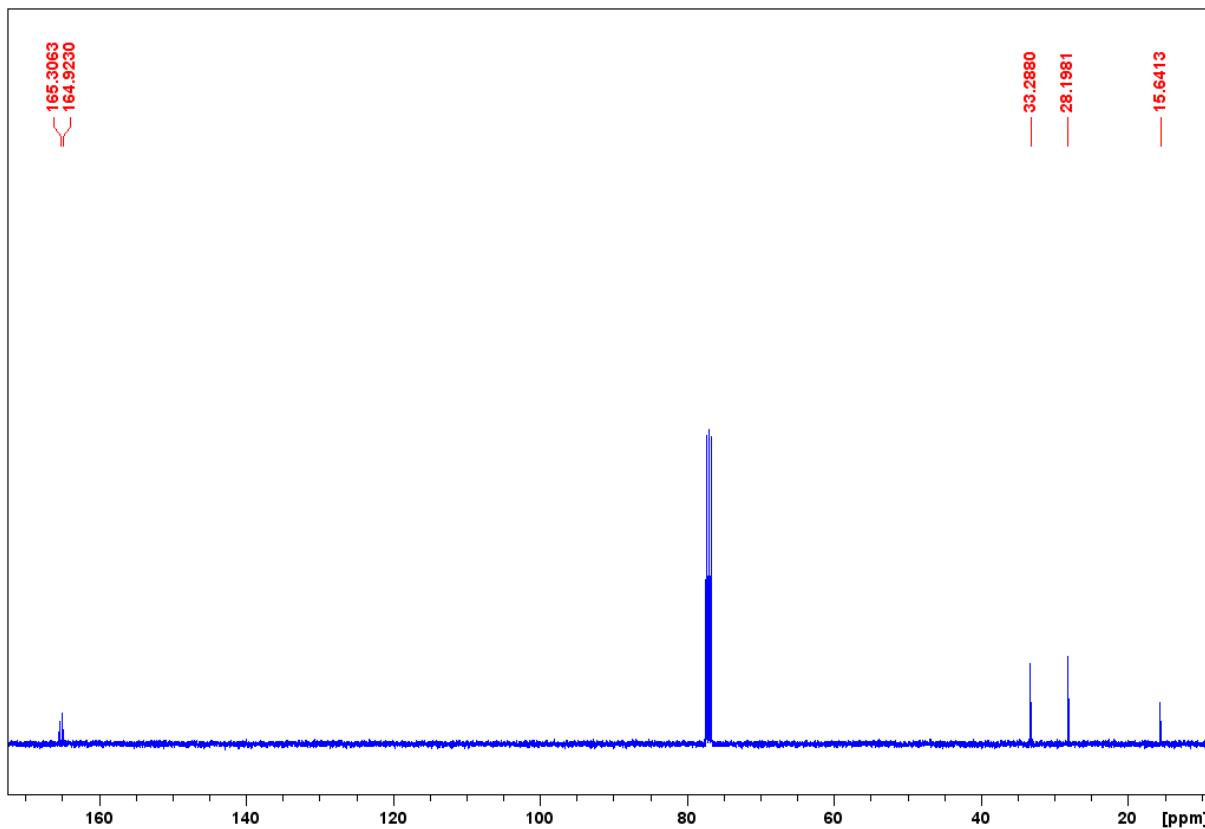


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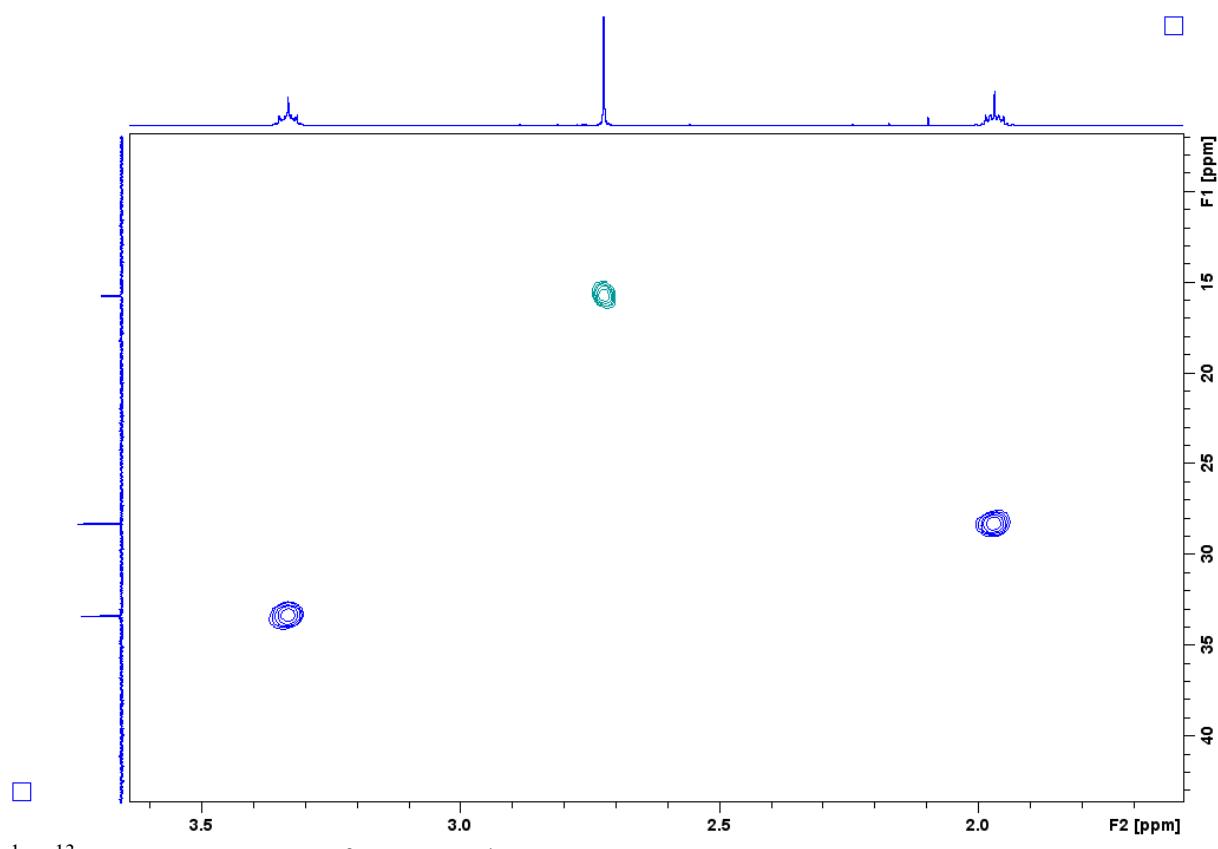
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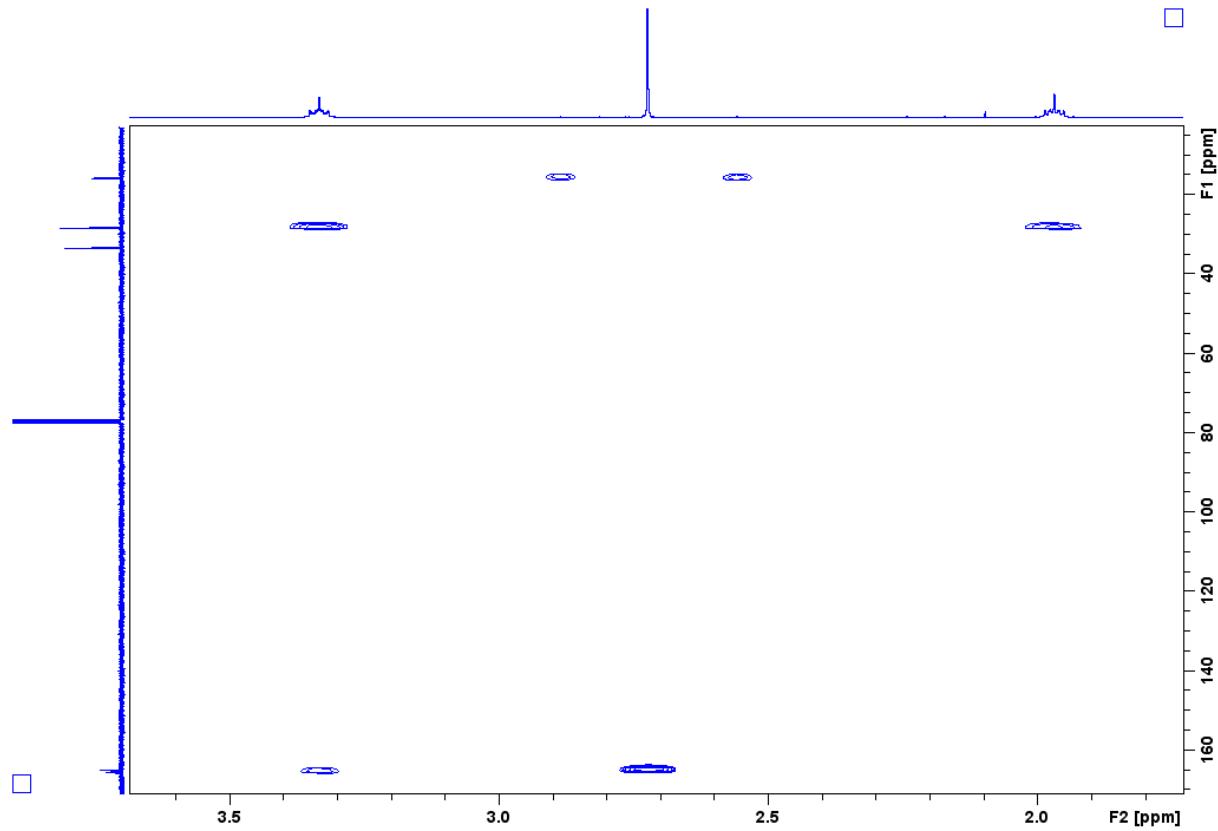
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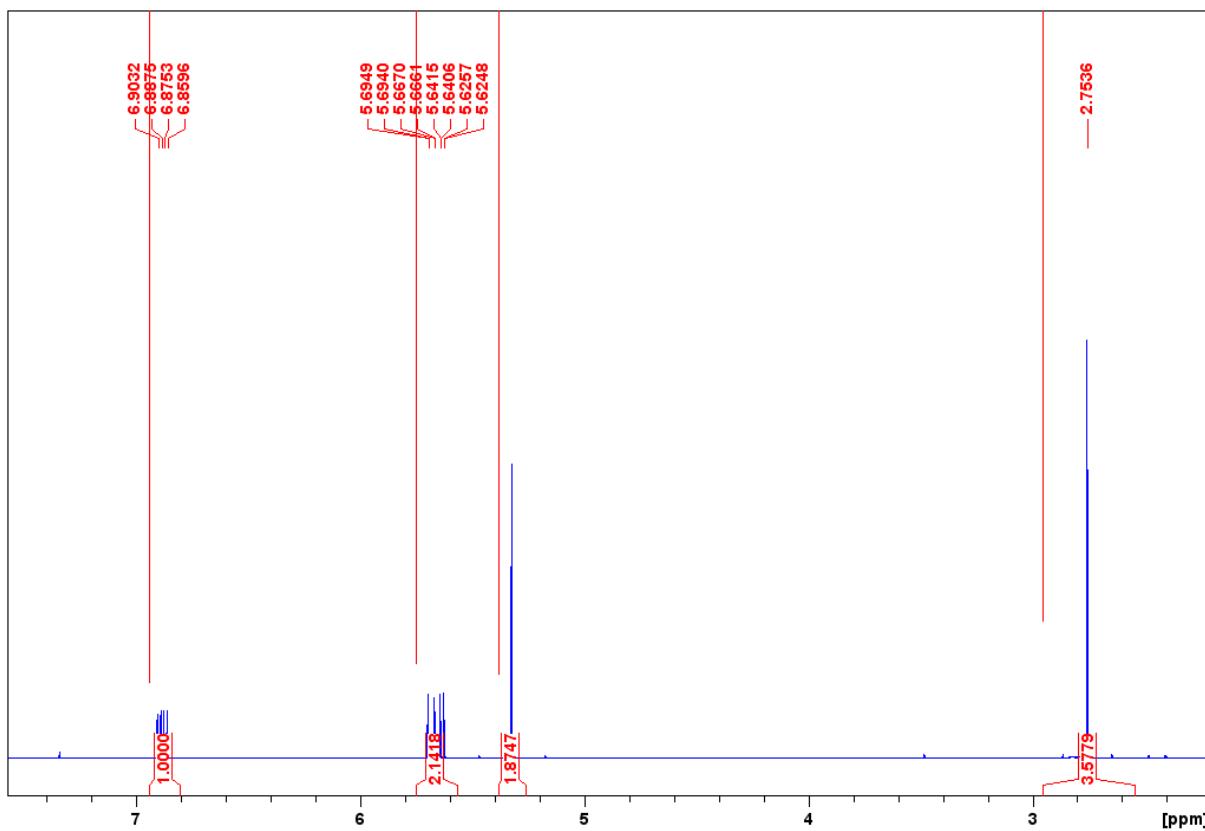


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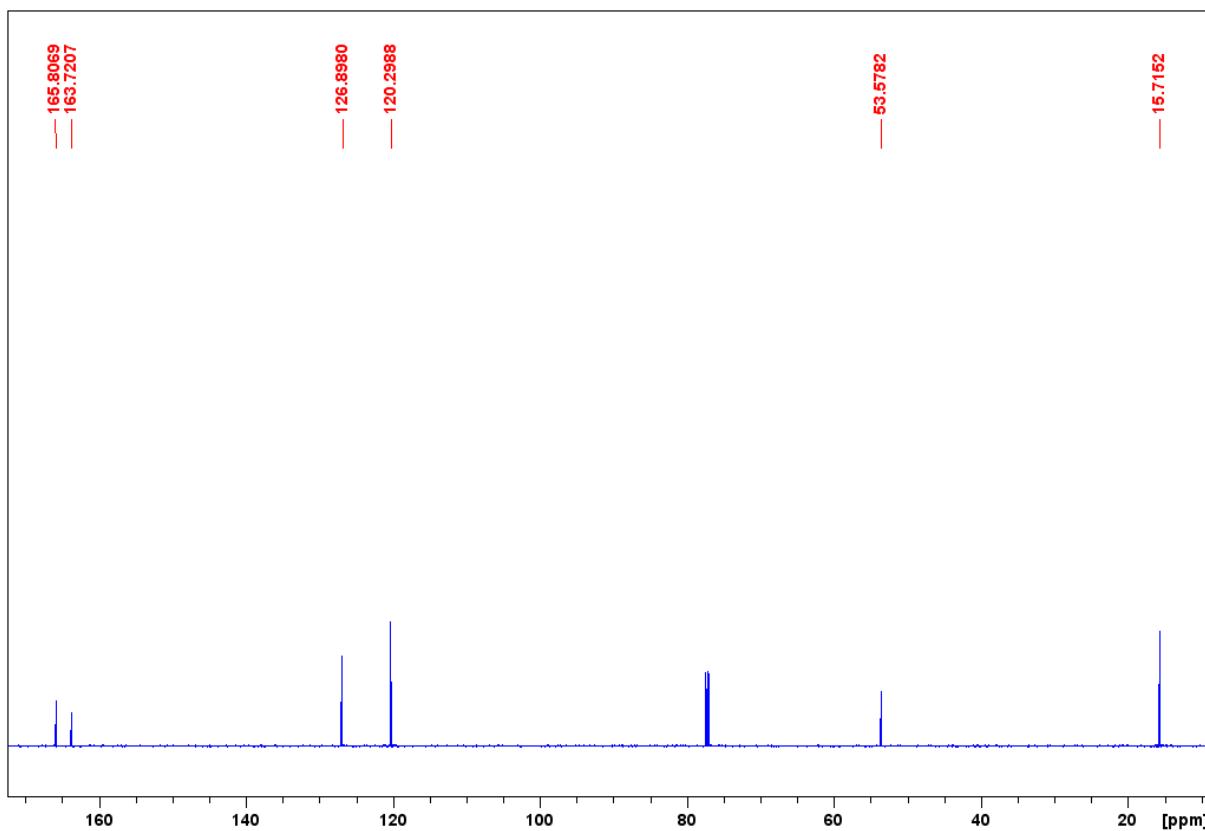


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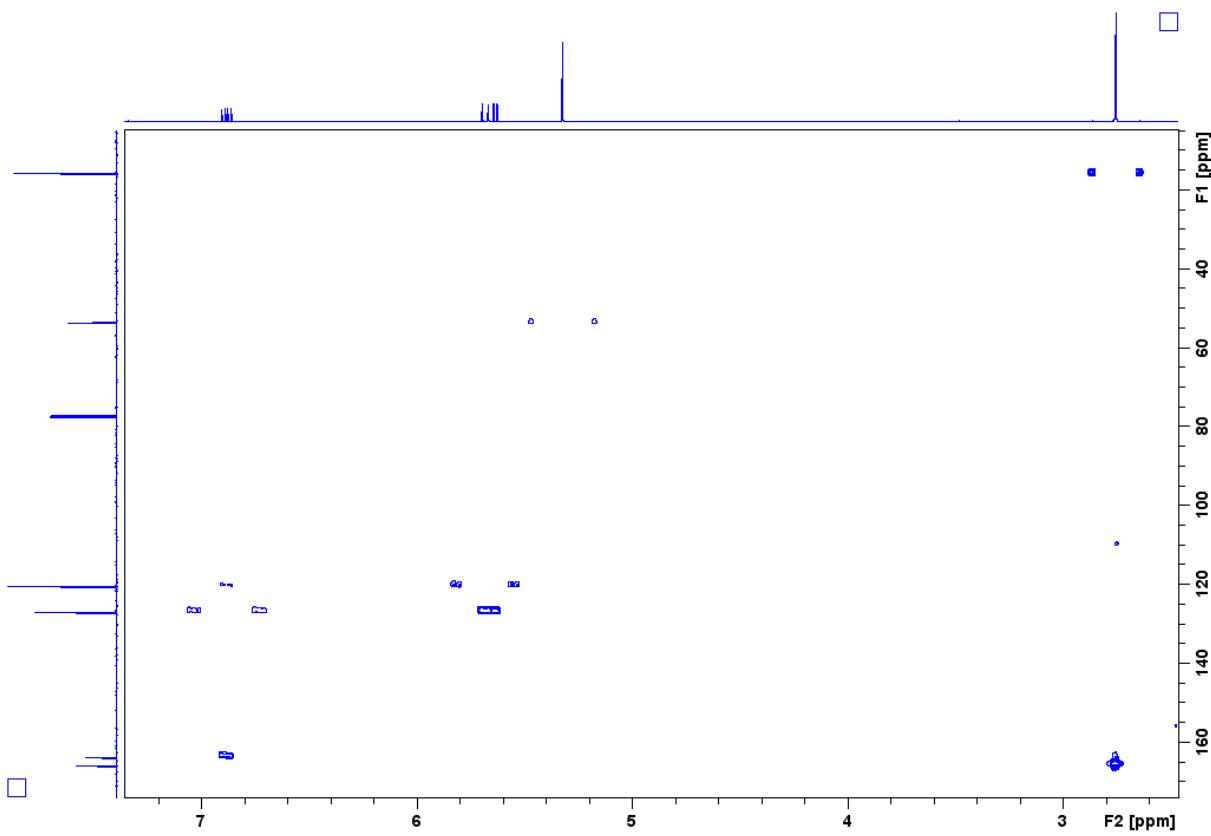
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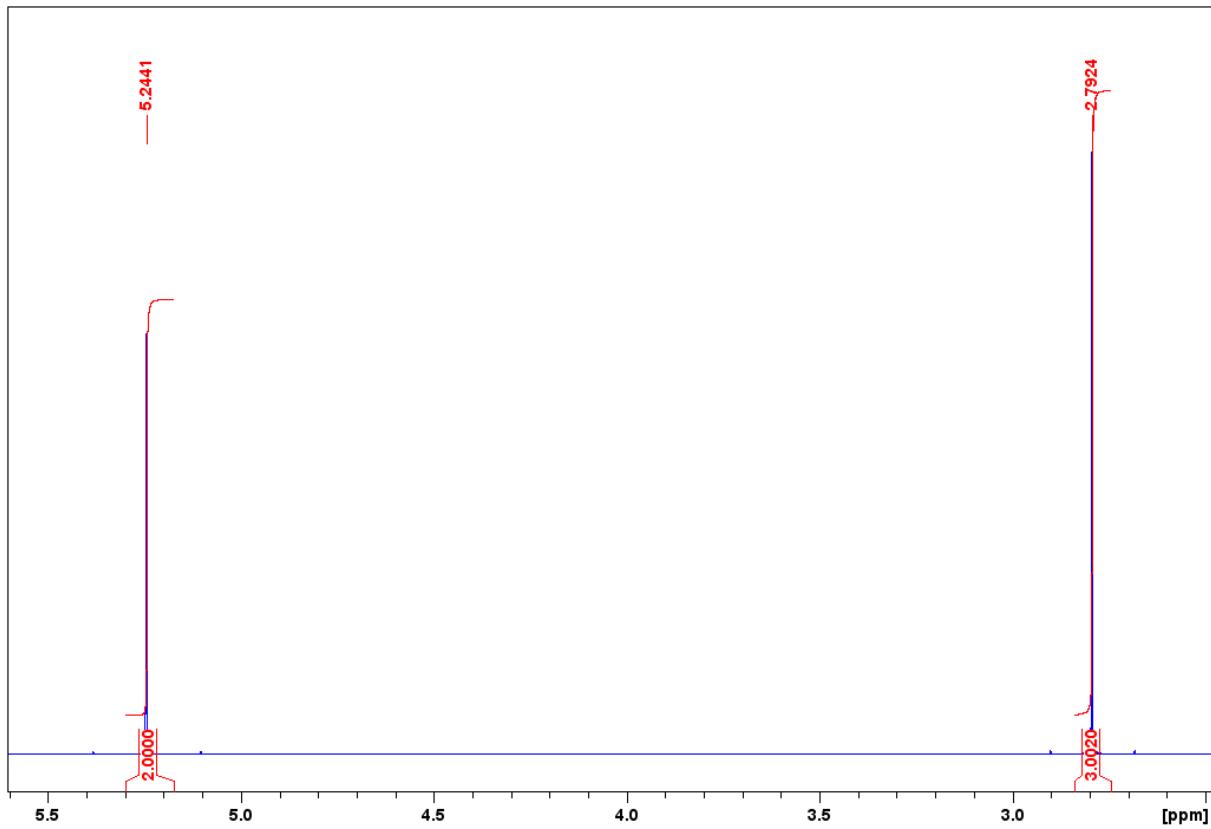


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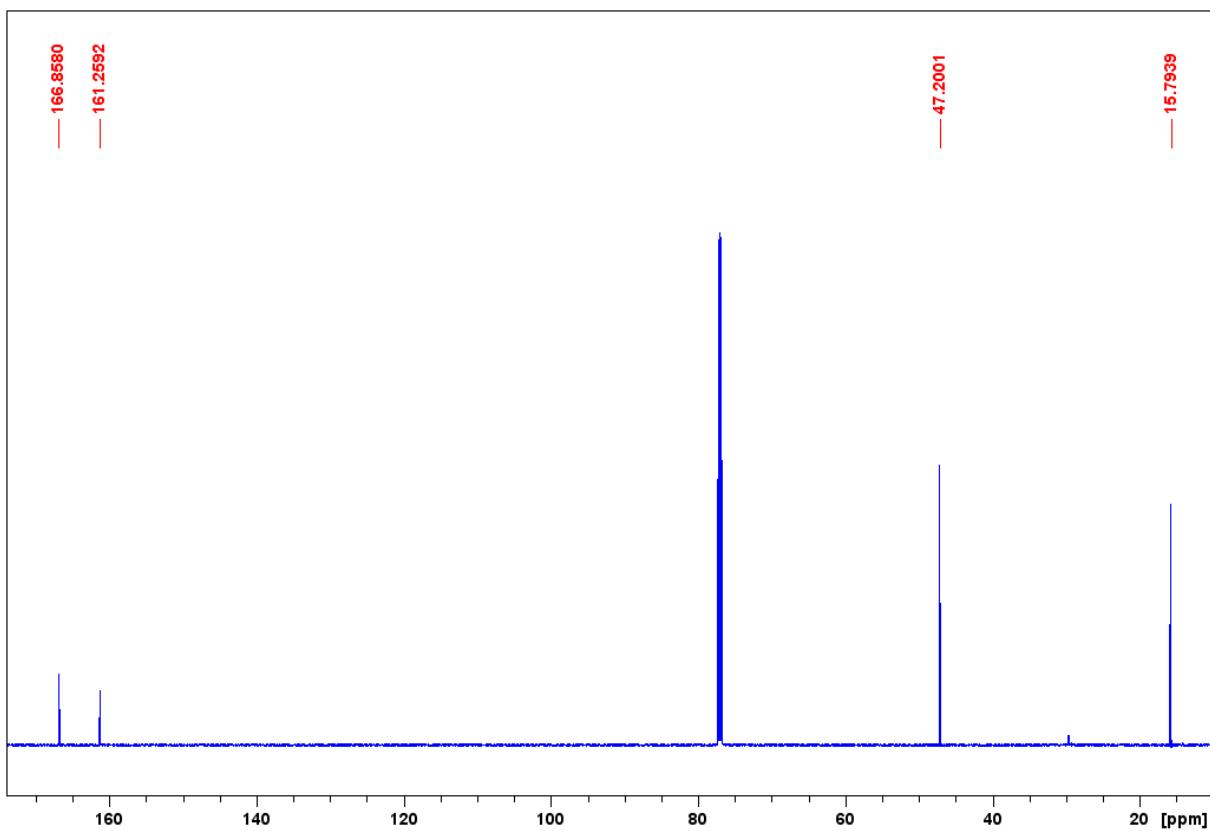


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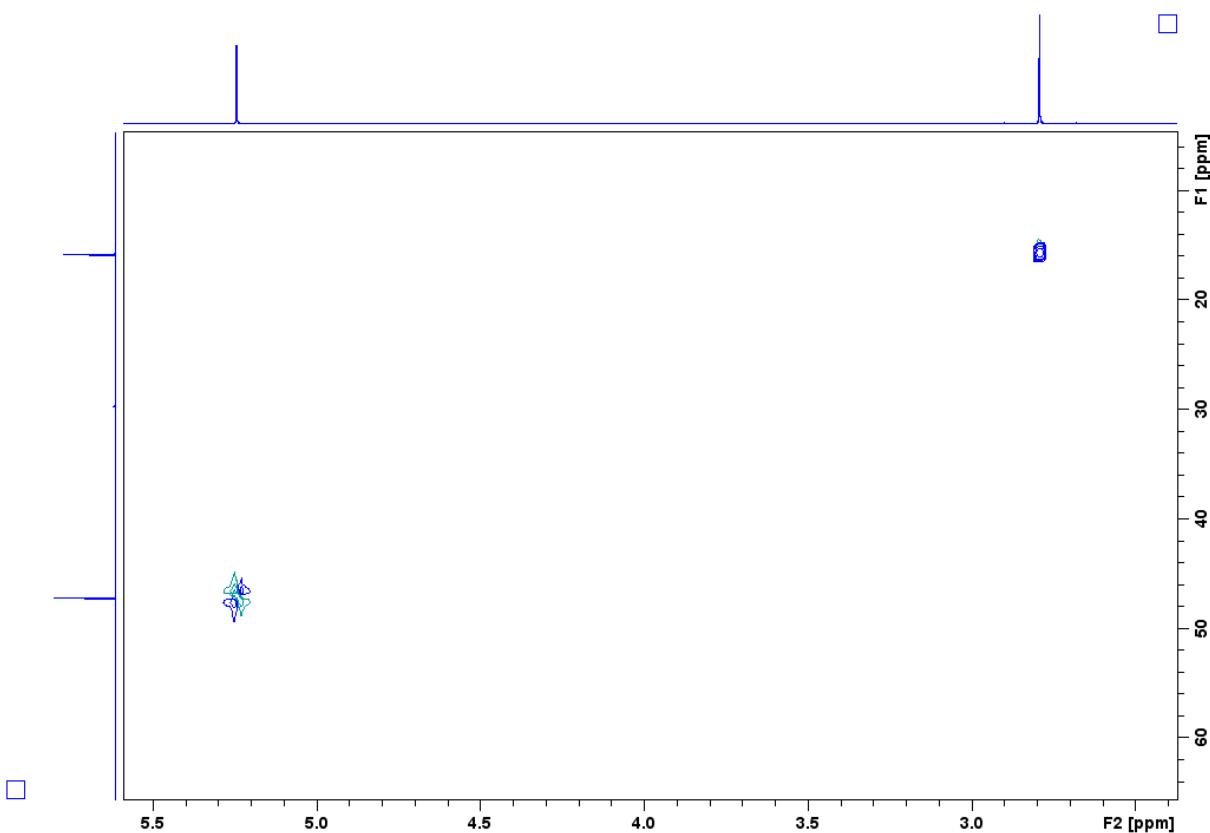
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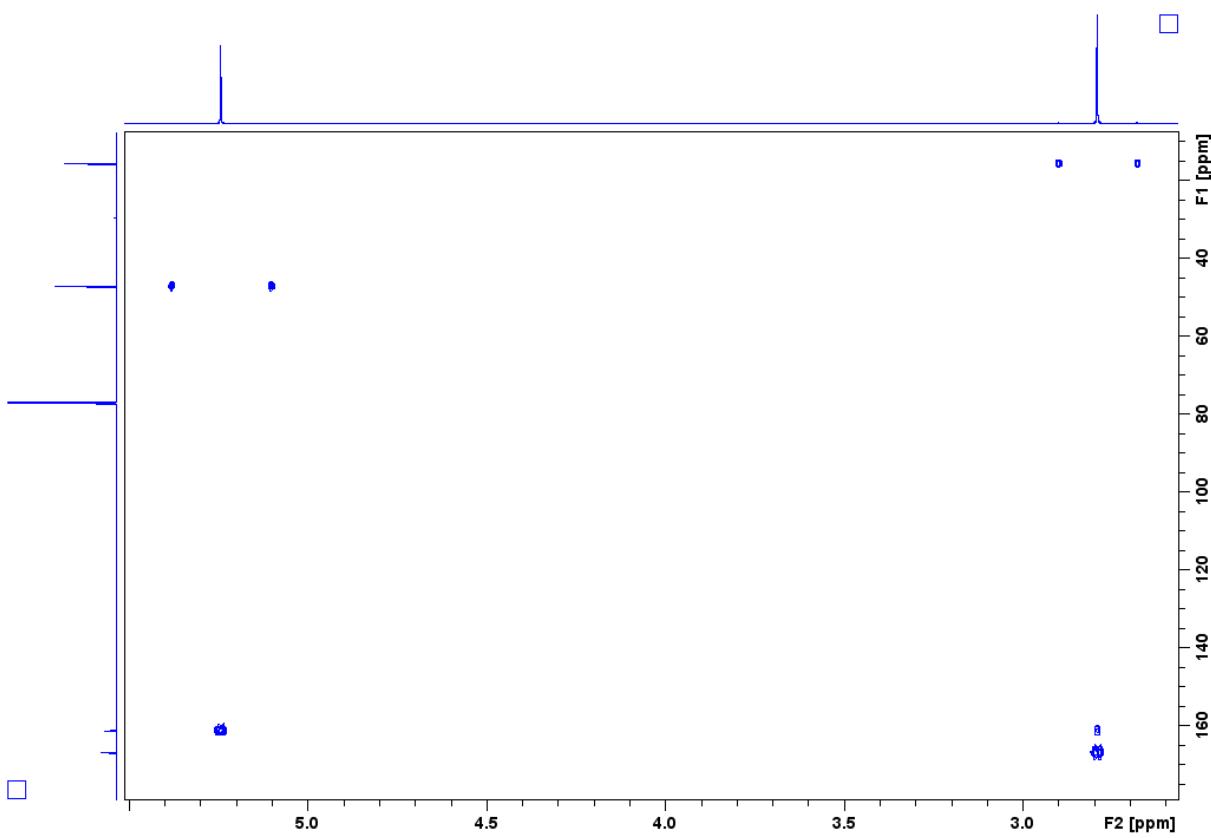
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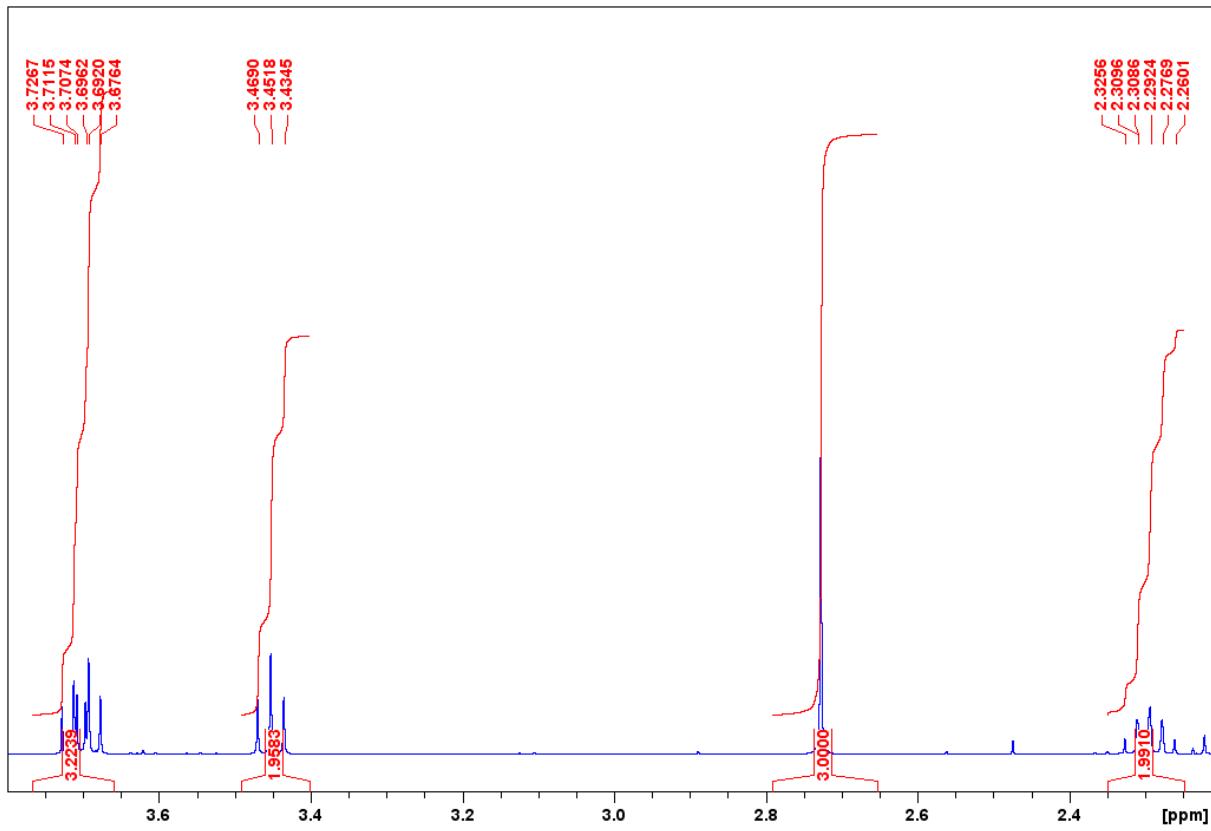


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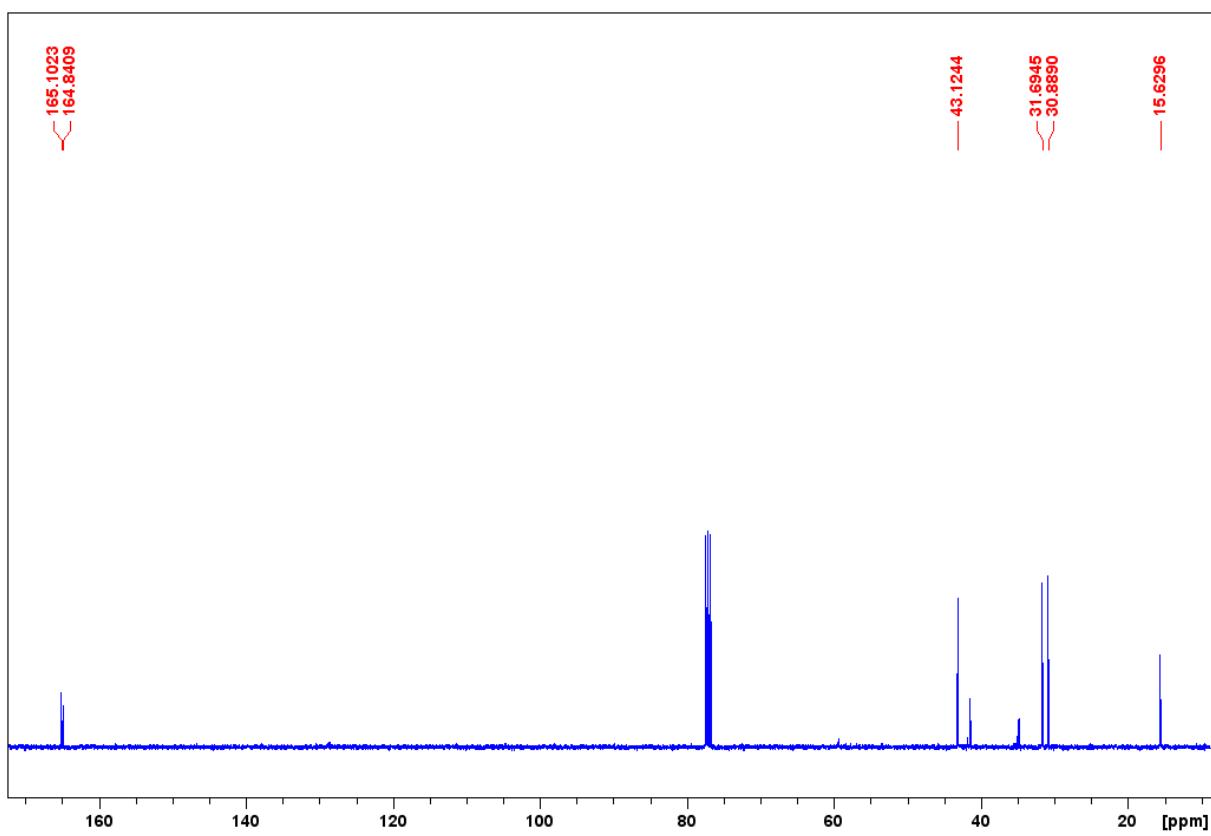


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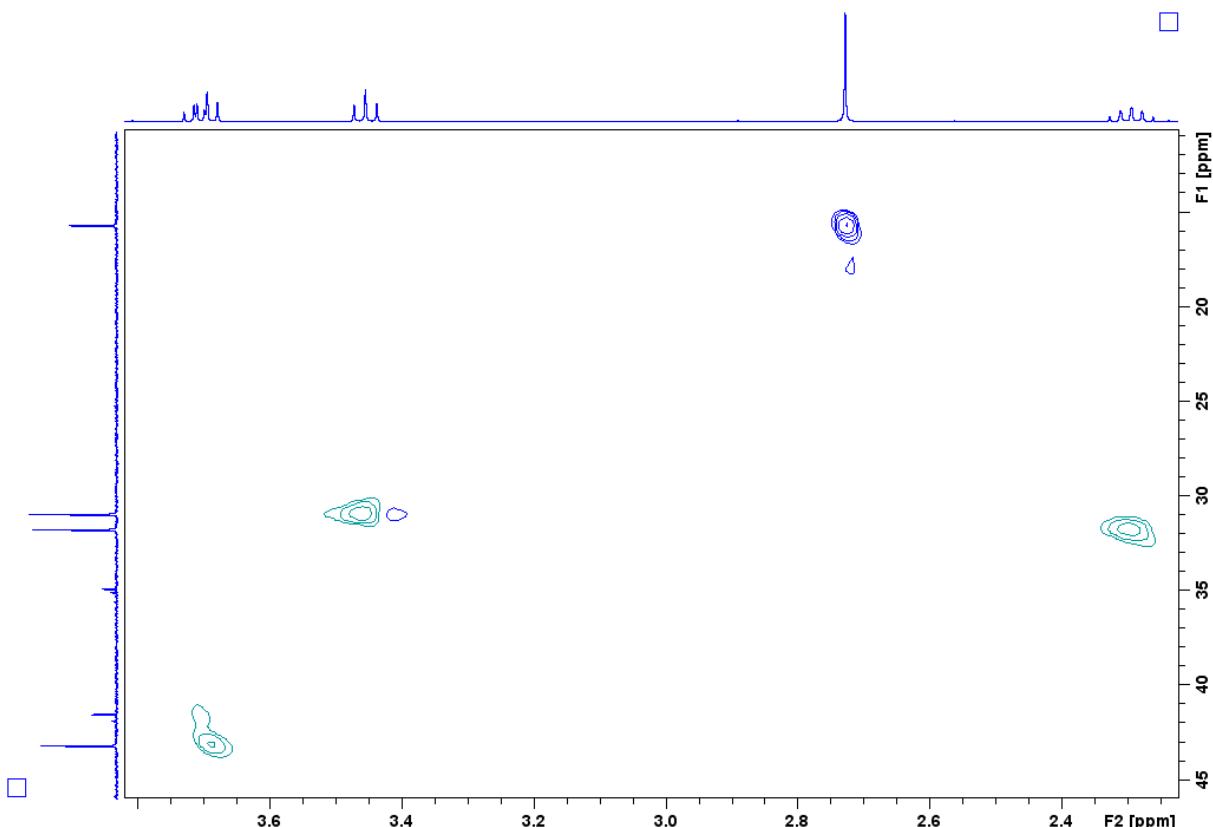
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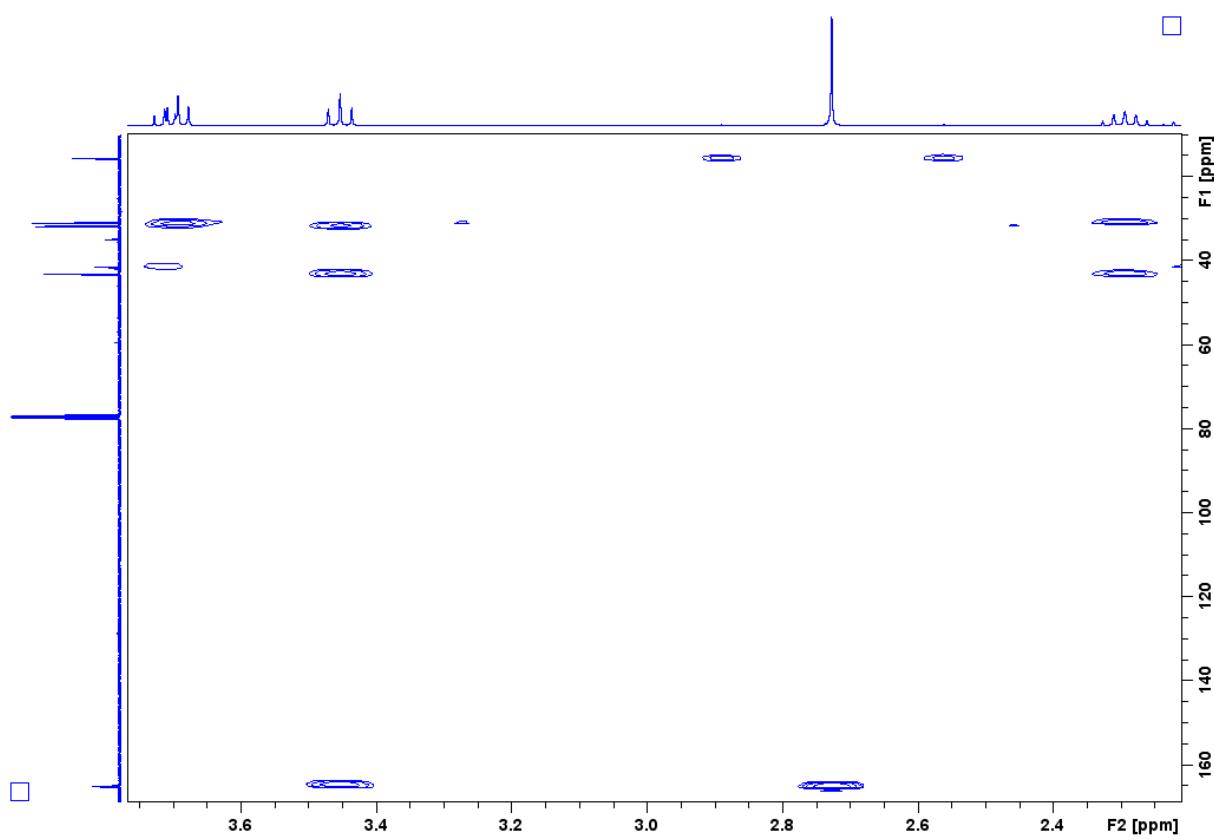
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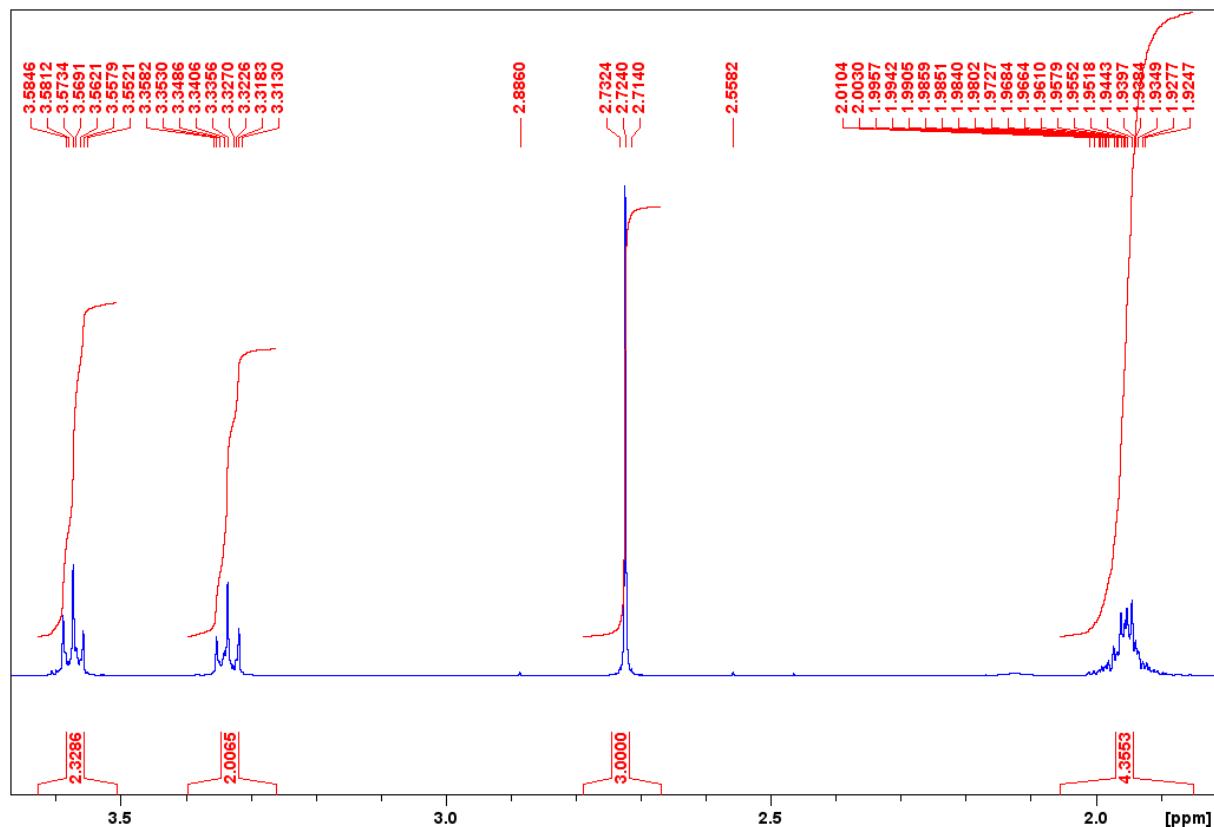


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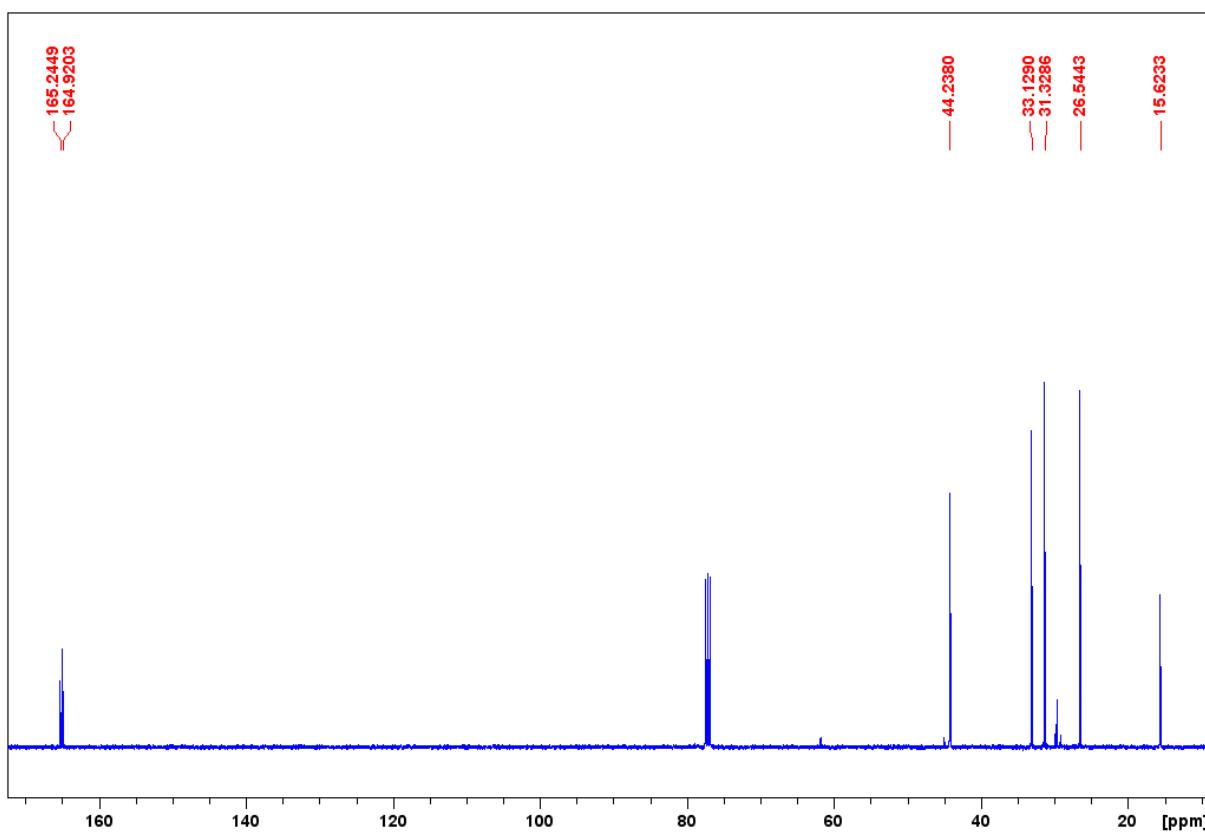


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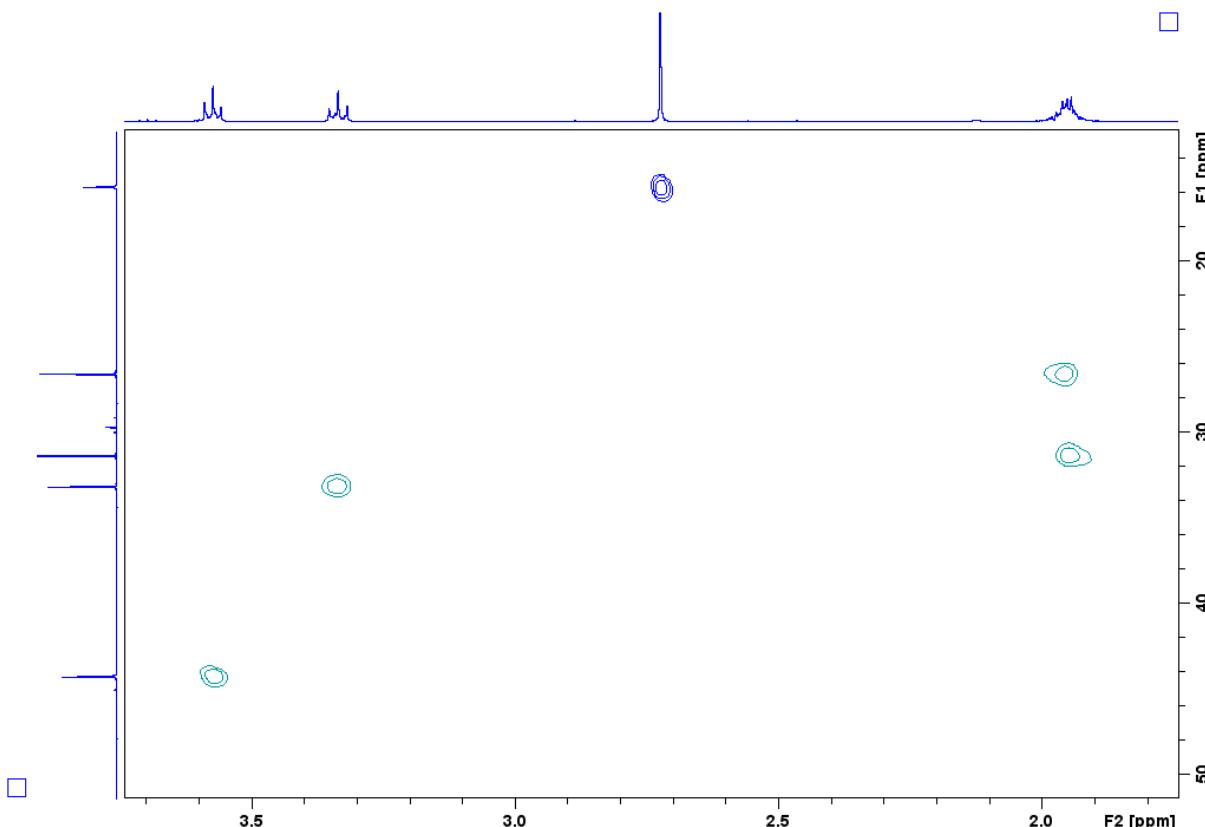
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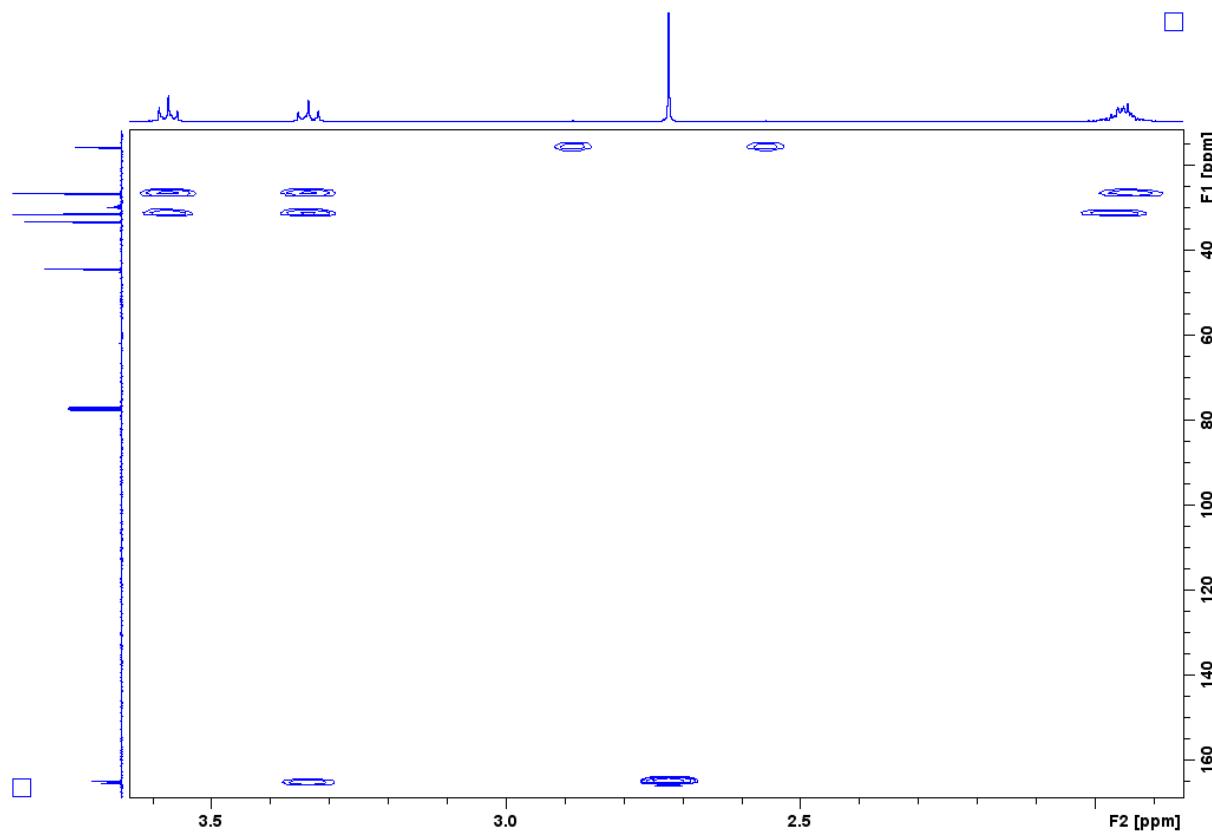
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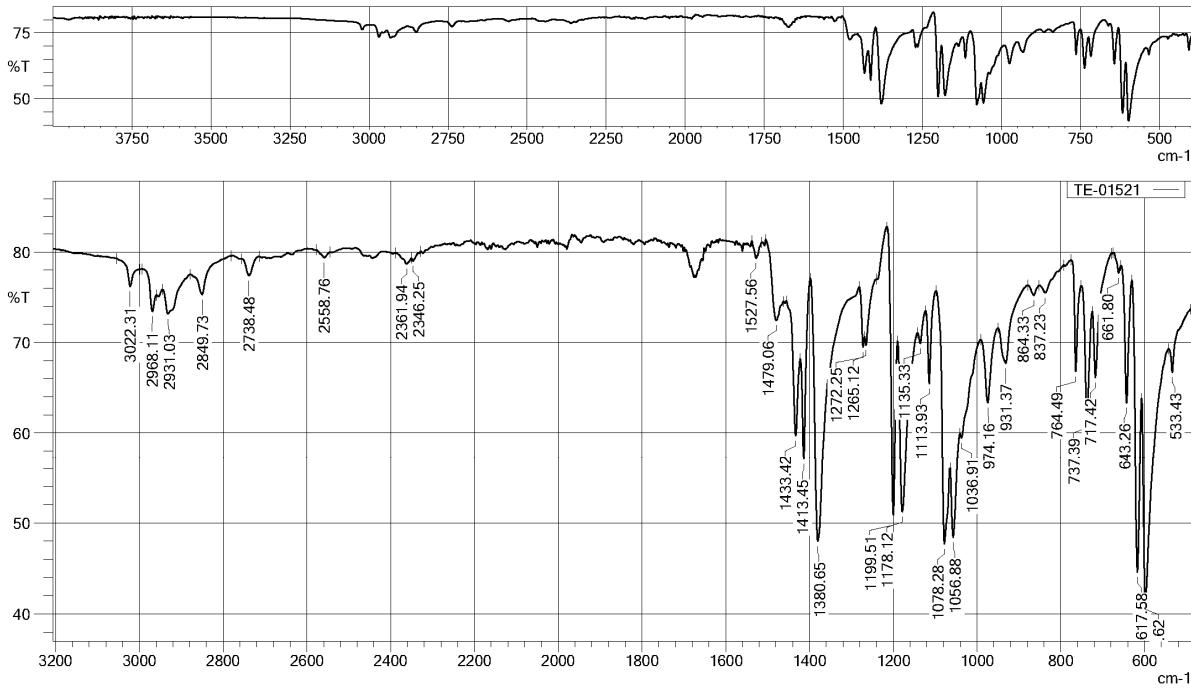


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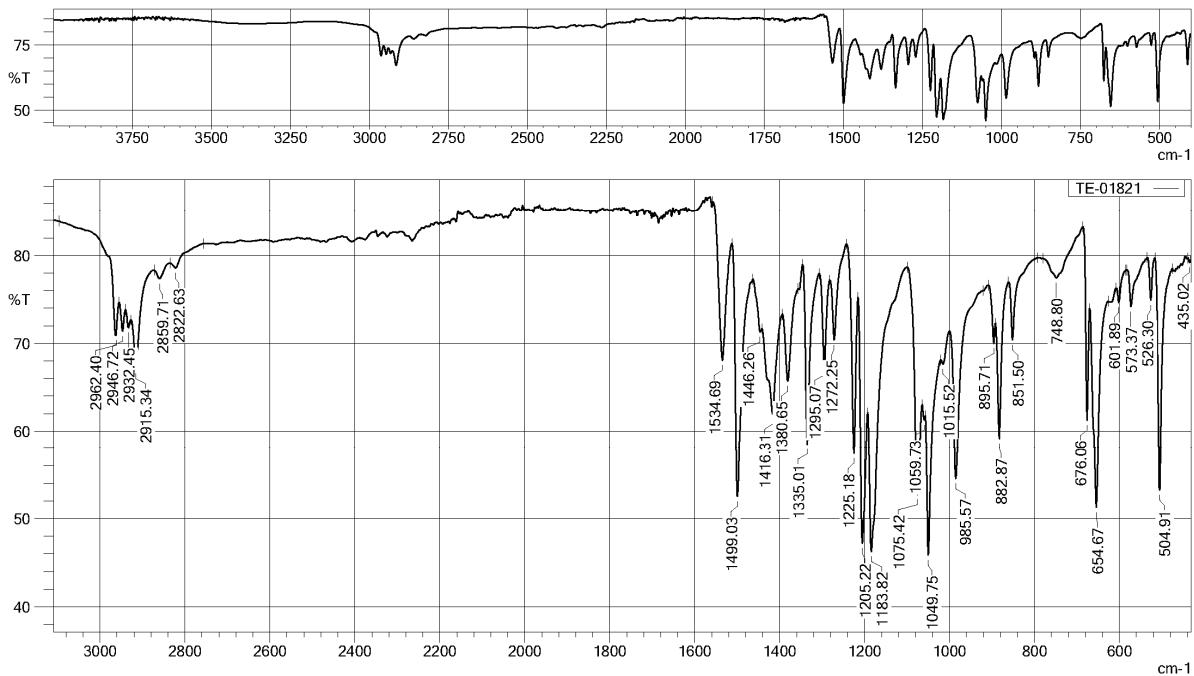


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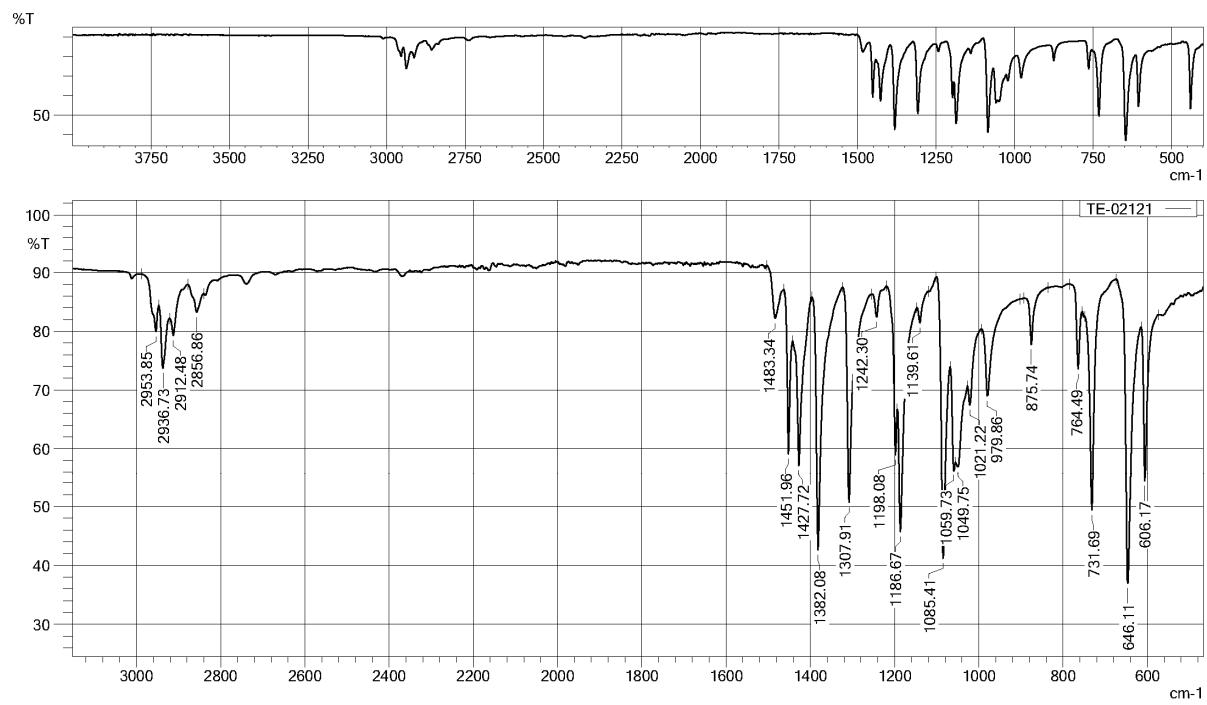
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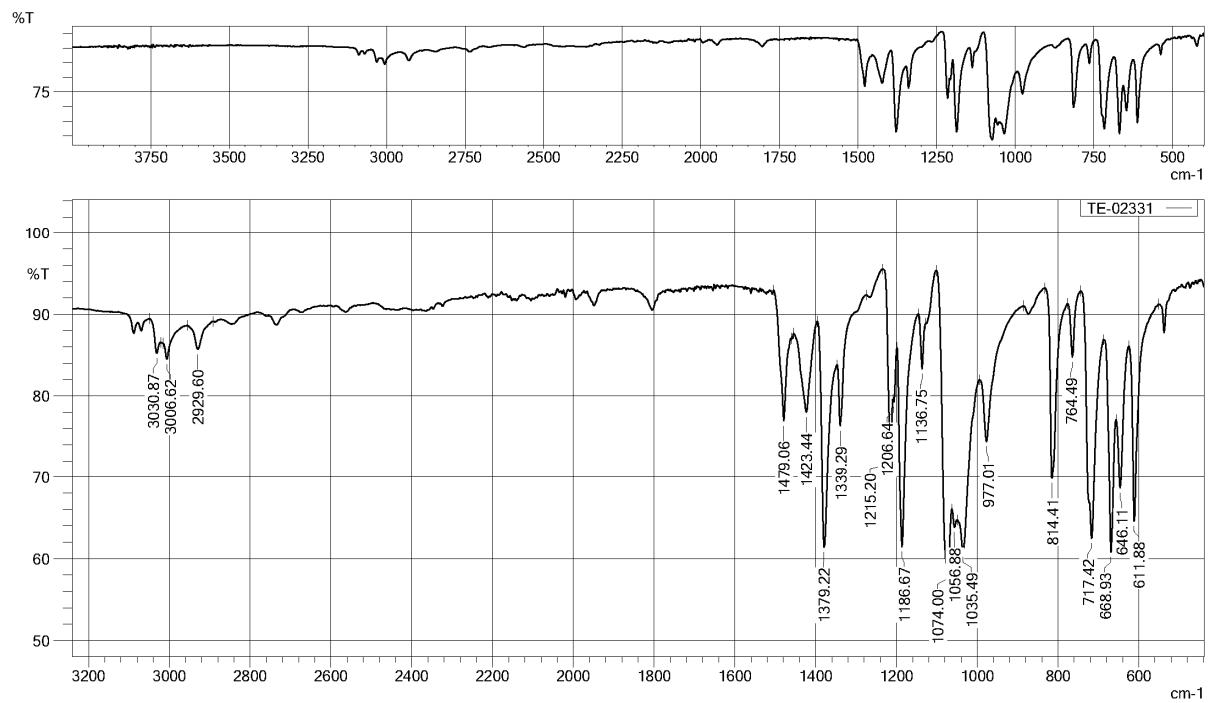
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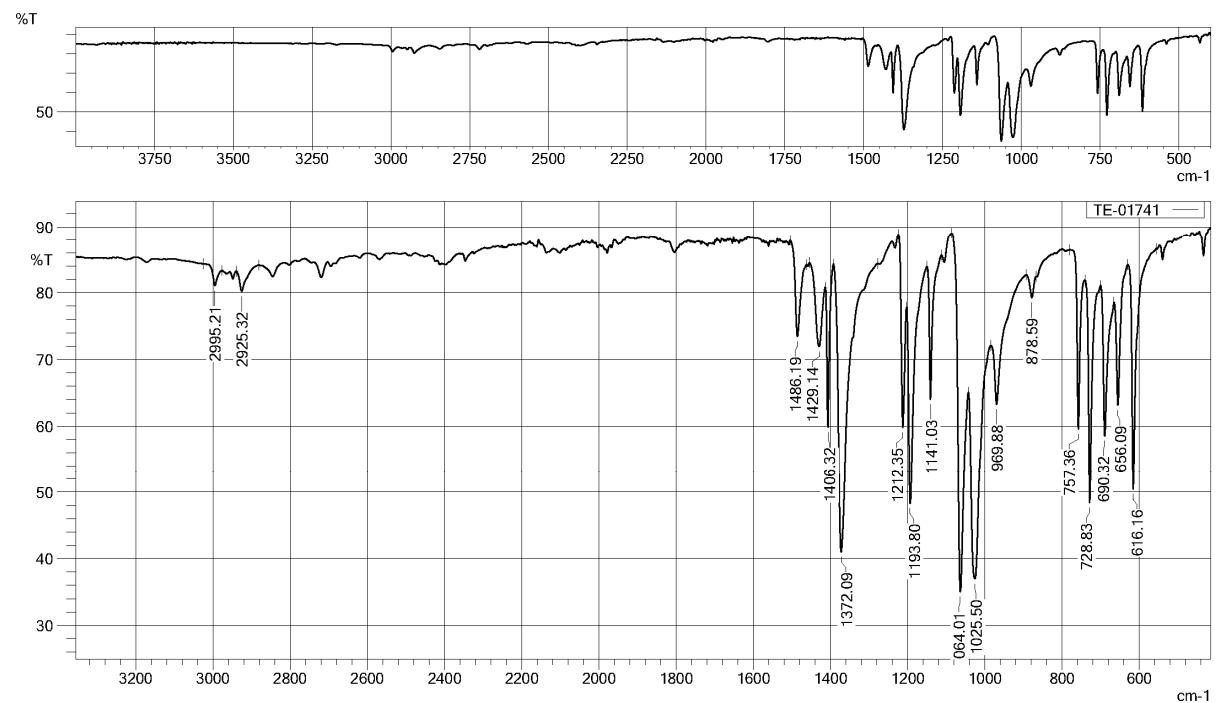
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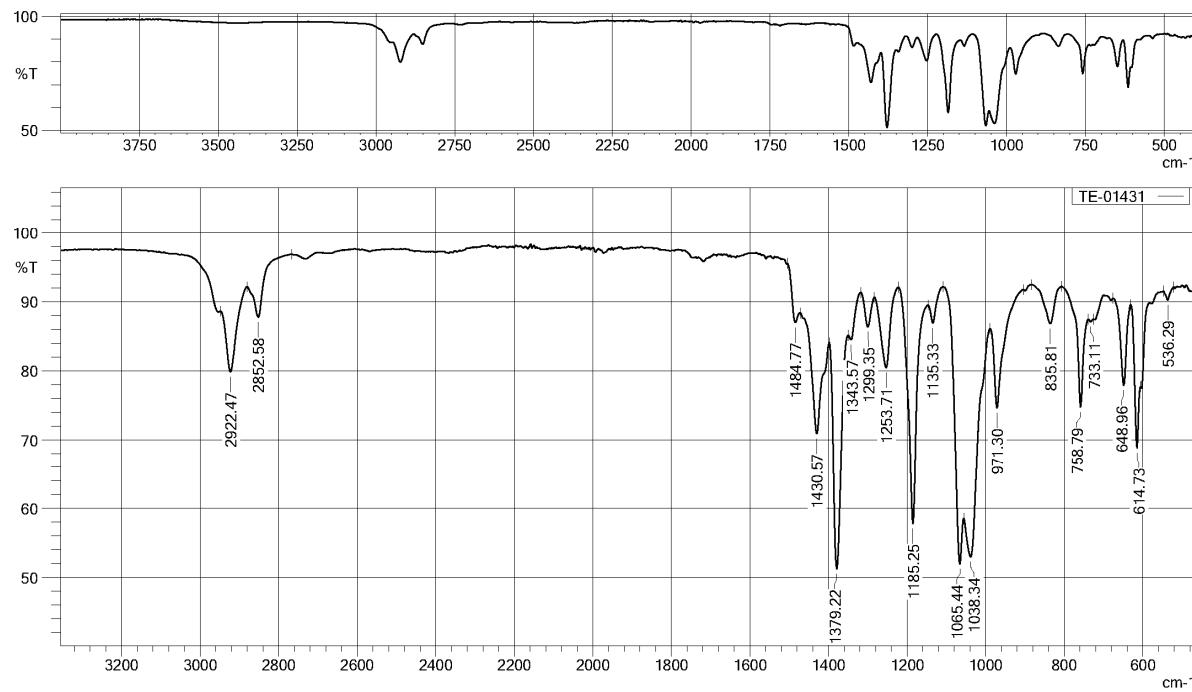


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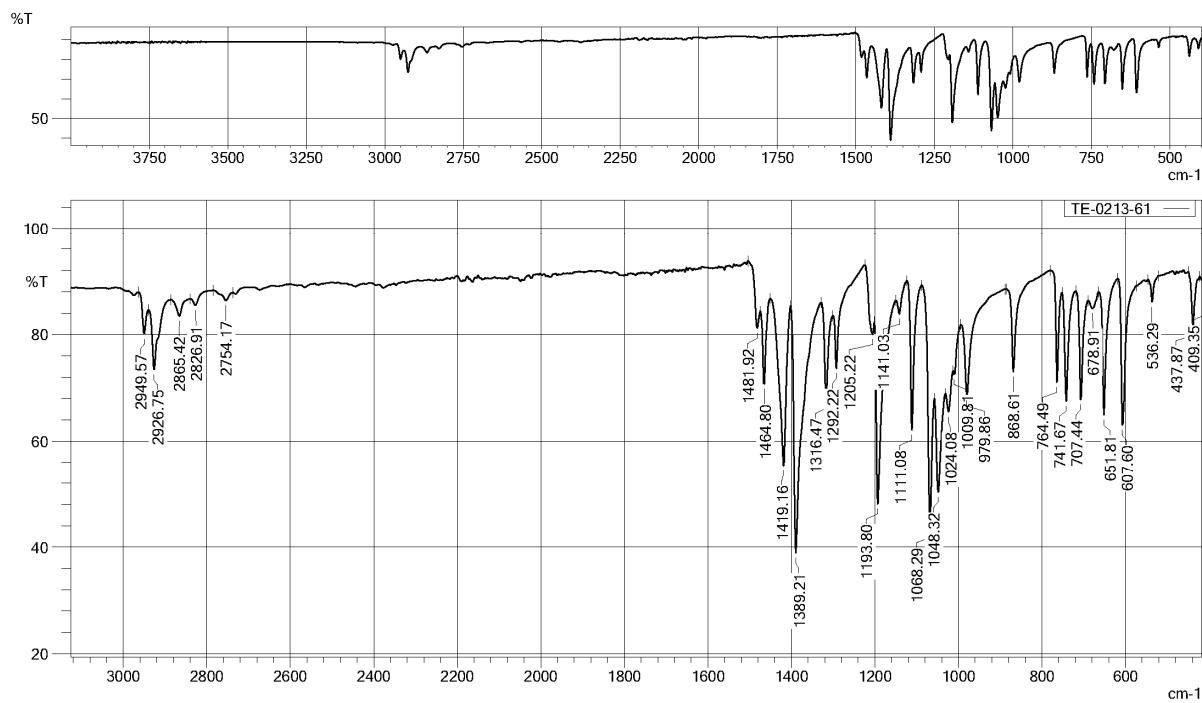


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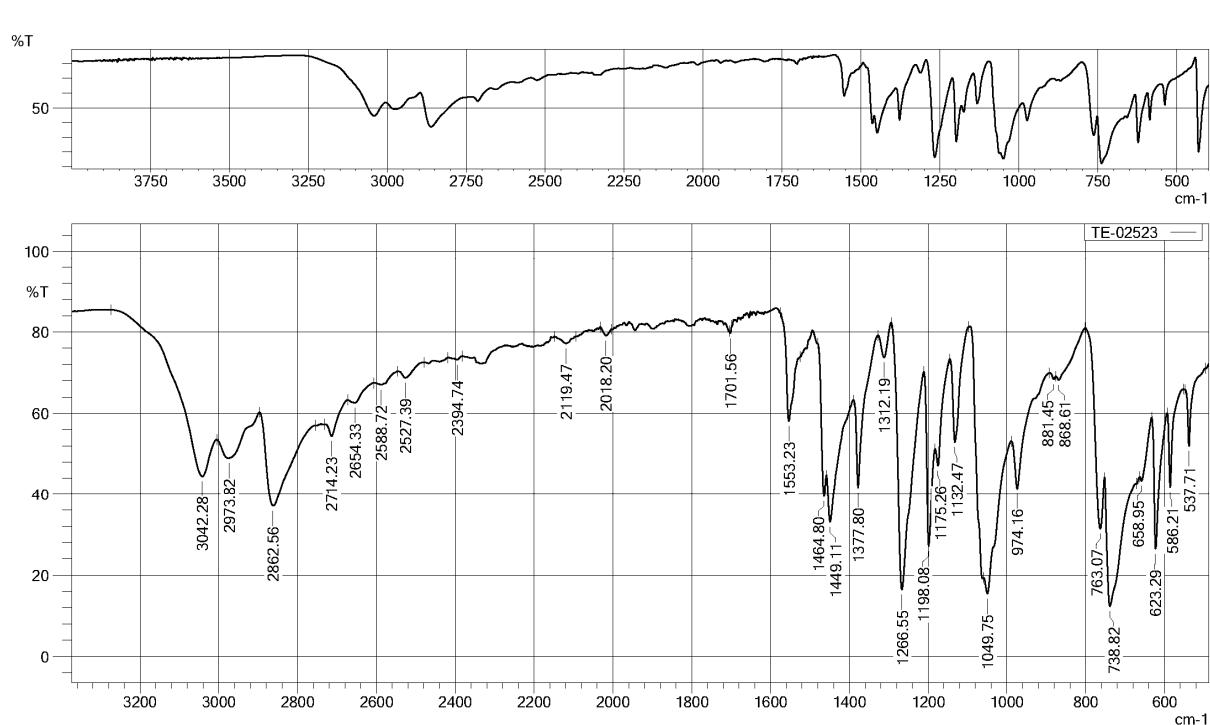
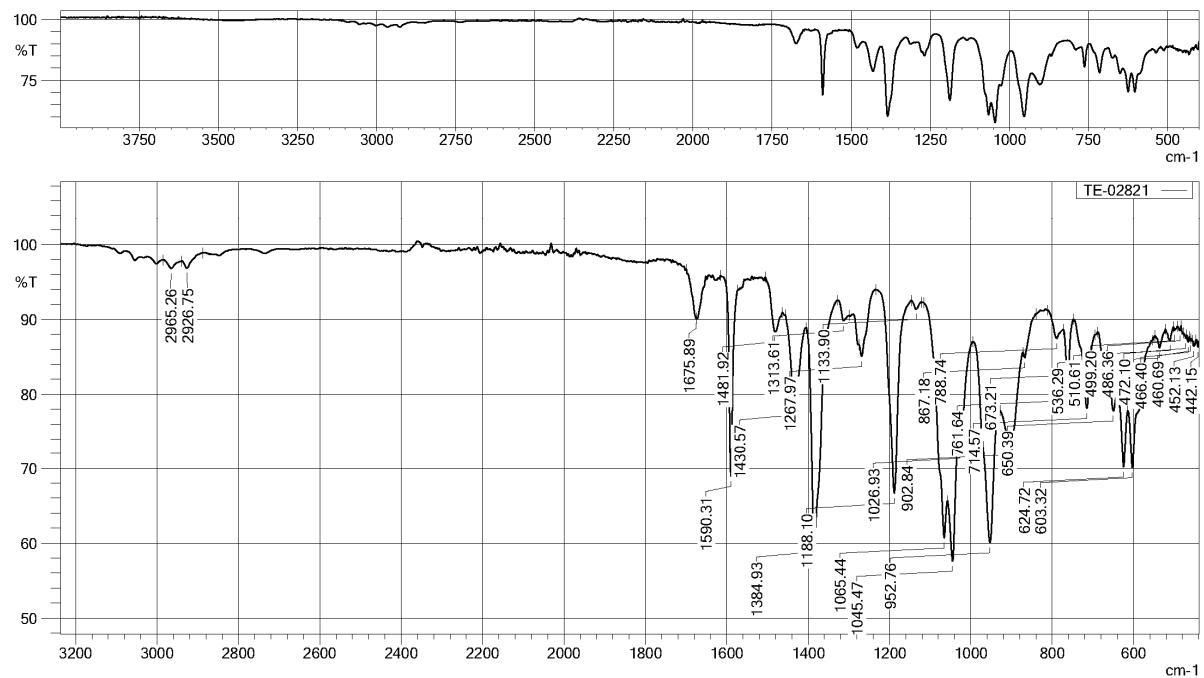


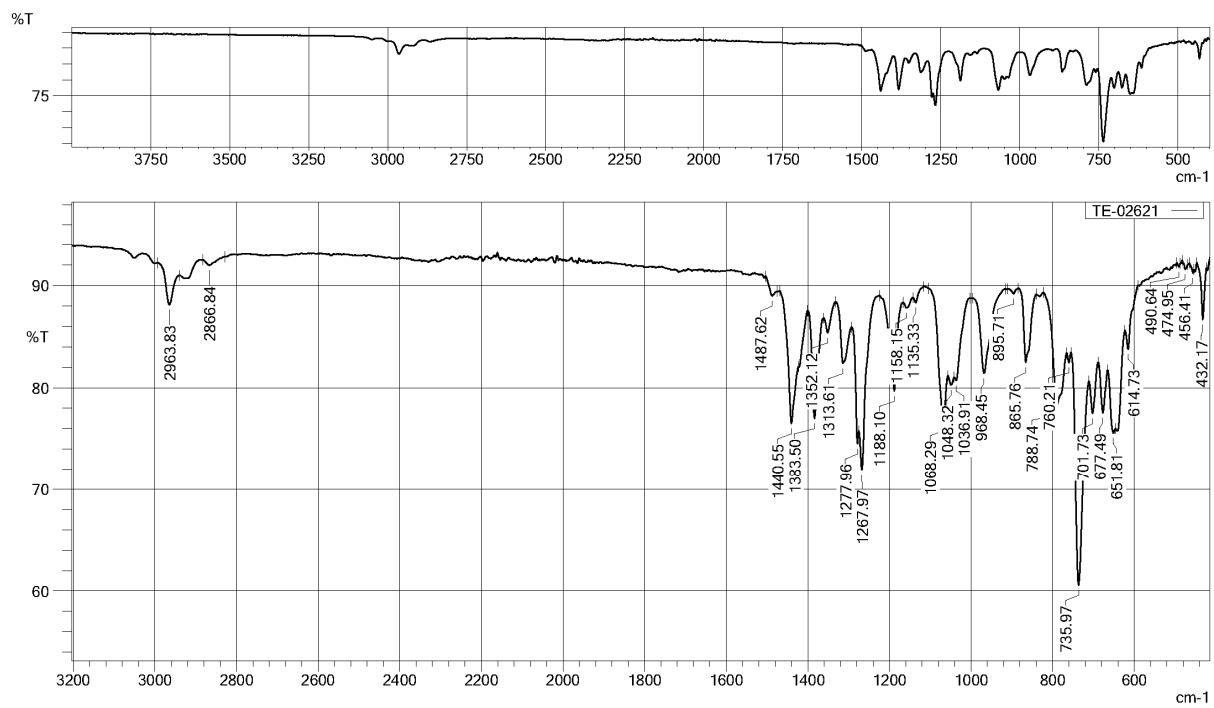


IR (ATR) spectrum of the ligand **8**.

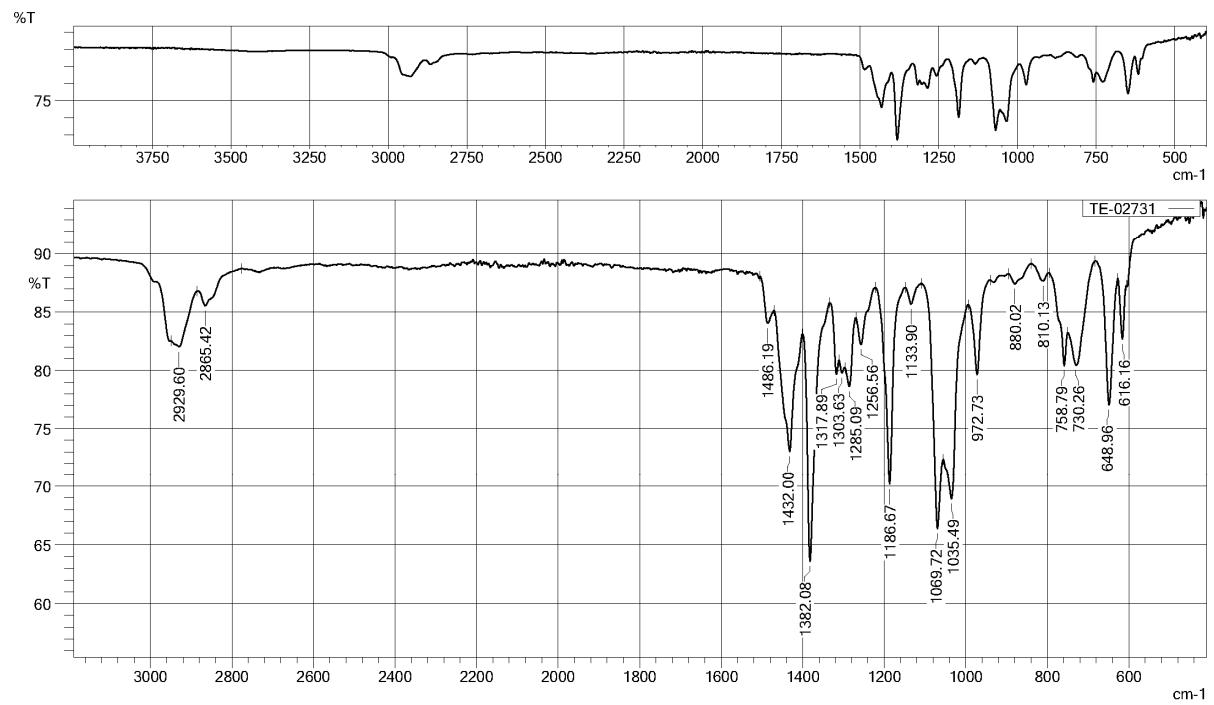


IR (ATR) spectrum of ligand **9**.





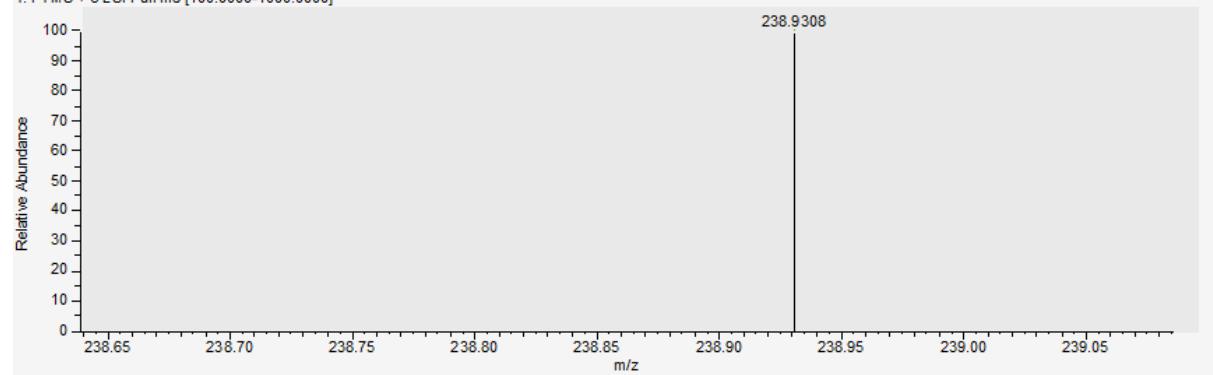
IR (ATR) spectrum of chloride **4b**.



IR (ATR) spectrum of chloride **5b**.

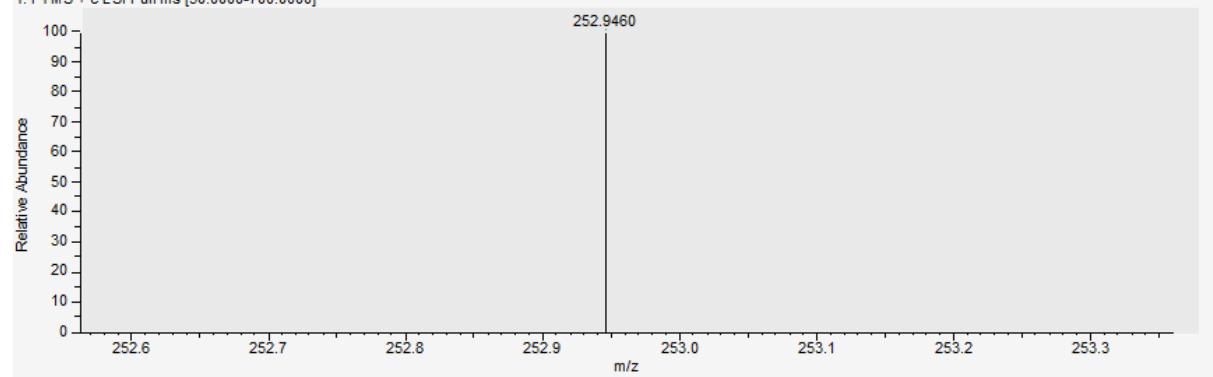
## HR-MS (HESI<sup>+</sup>) spectra of the products

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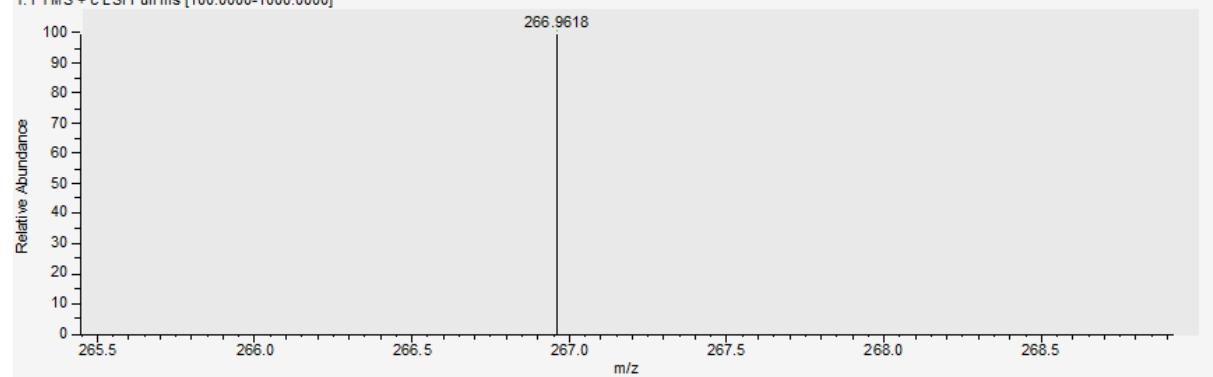
HR-MS (HESI<sup>+</sup>) spectrum of bromide **3a**.

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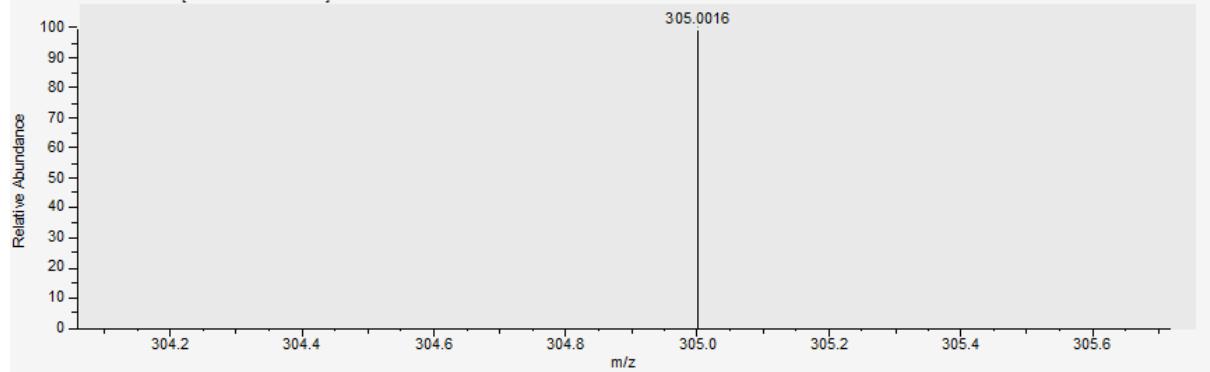
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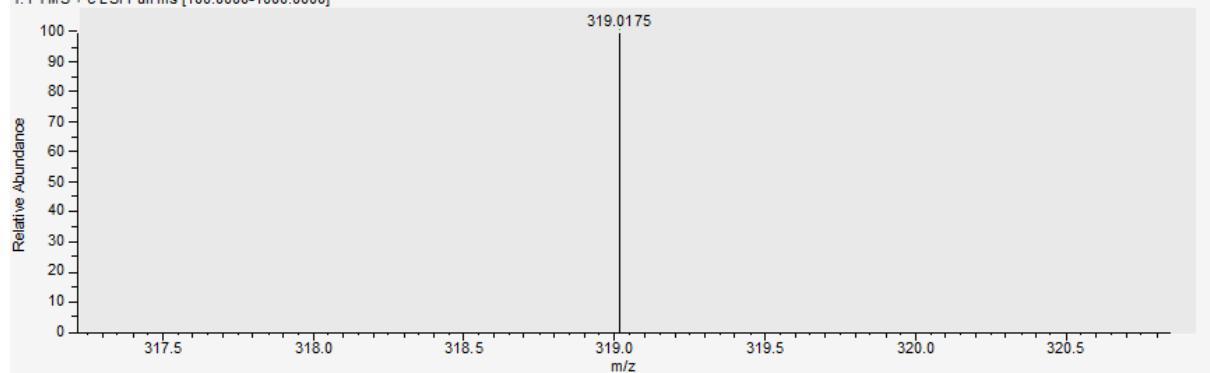
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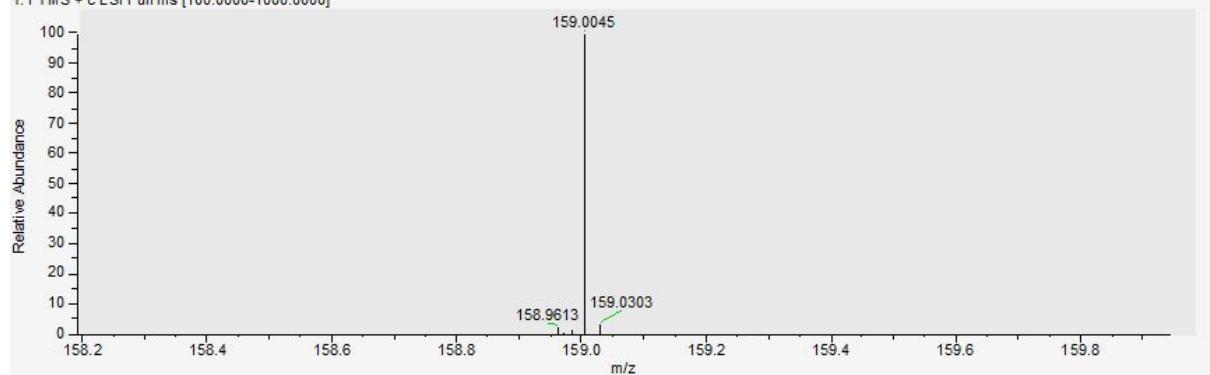
HR-MS (HESI<sup>+</sup>) spectrum of the ligand **8**.

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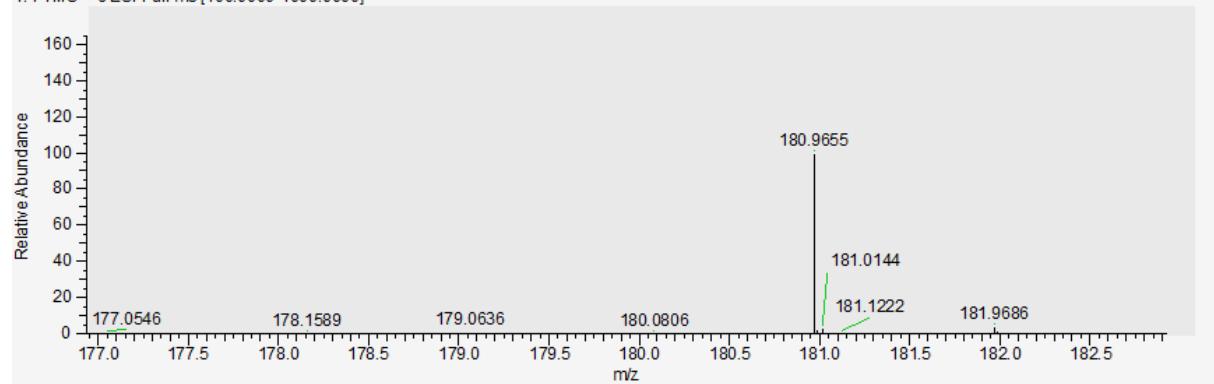
HR-MS (HESI<sup>+</sup>) spectrum of the ligand **9**.

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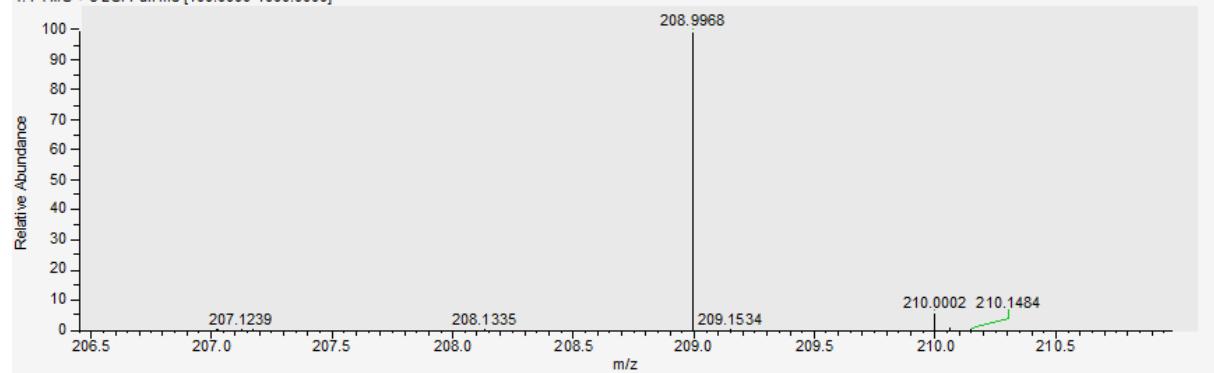
HR-MS (HESI<sup>+</sup>) spectrum of olefin **10**.

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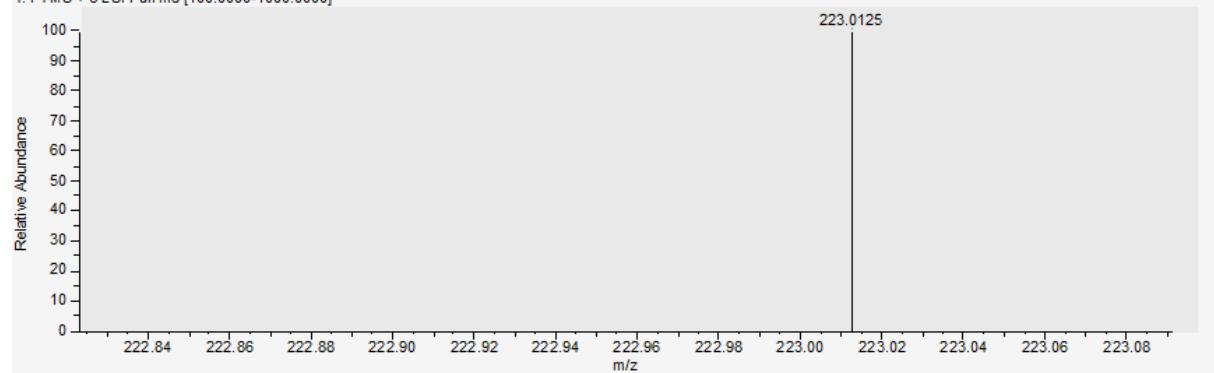
HR-MS (HESI<sup>+</sup>) spectrum of chloride **2b**.

VK\_TE\_04\_20240131144457 #565 RT: 5.44 AV: 1 NL: 1.01E8  
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HR-MS (HESI<sup>+</sup>) spectrum of chloride **4b**.

VK\_TE\_07\_20240131153258 #943 RT: 9.09 AV: 1 NL: 6.98E4  
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HR-MS (HESI<sup>+</sup>) spectrum of chloride **5b**.