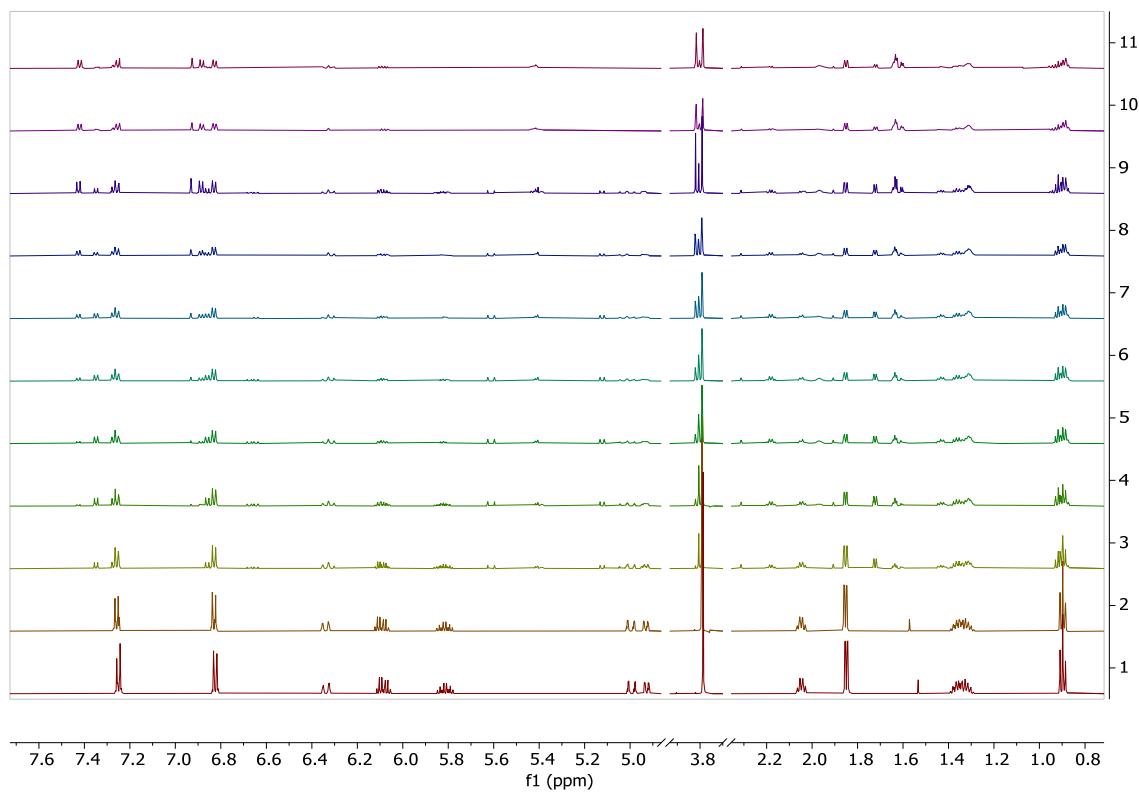


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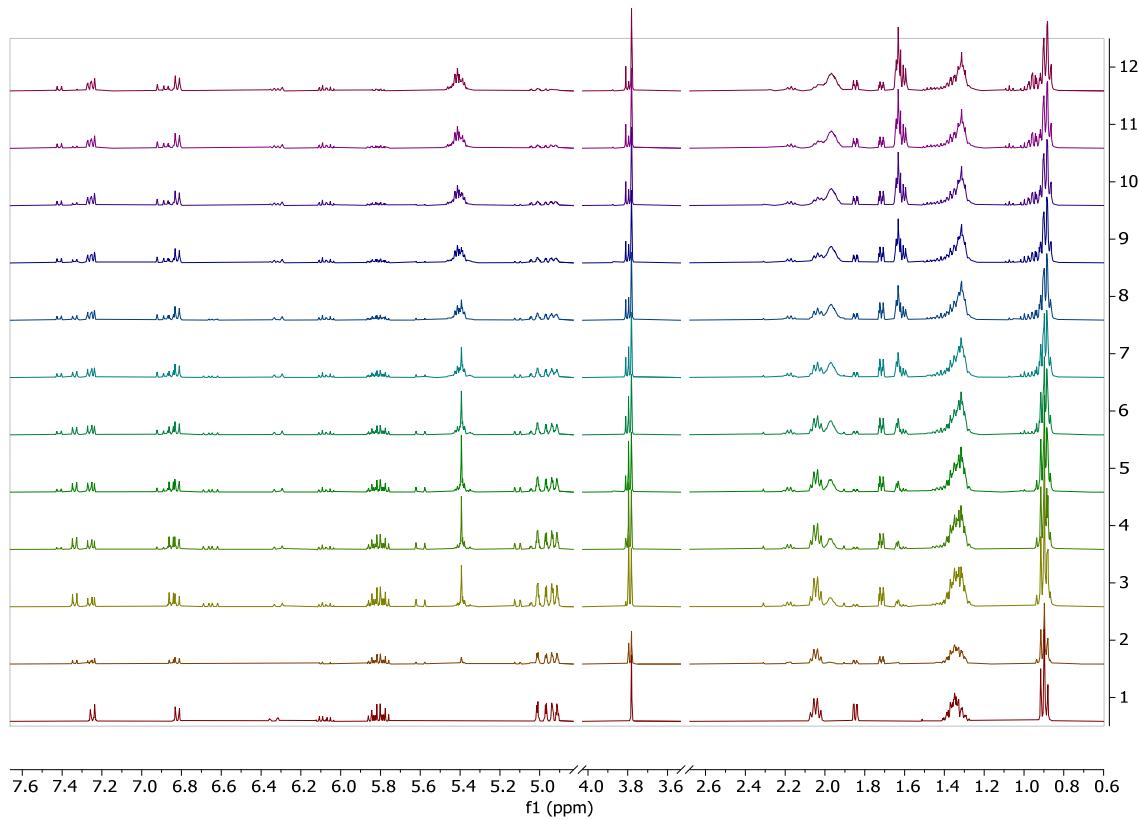
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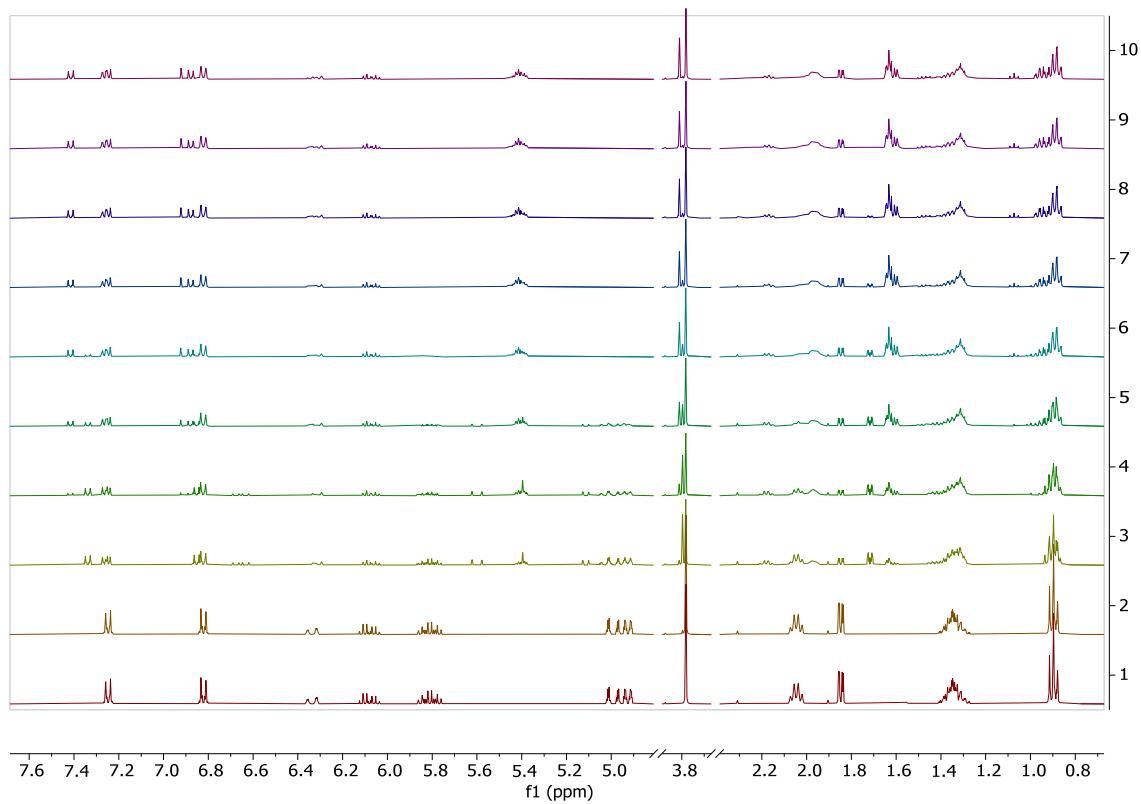
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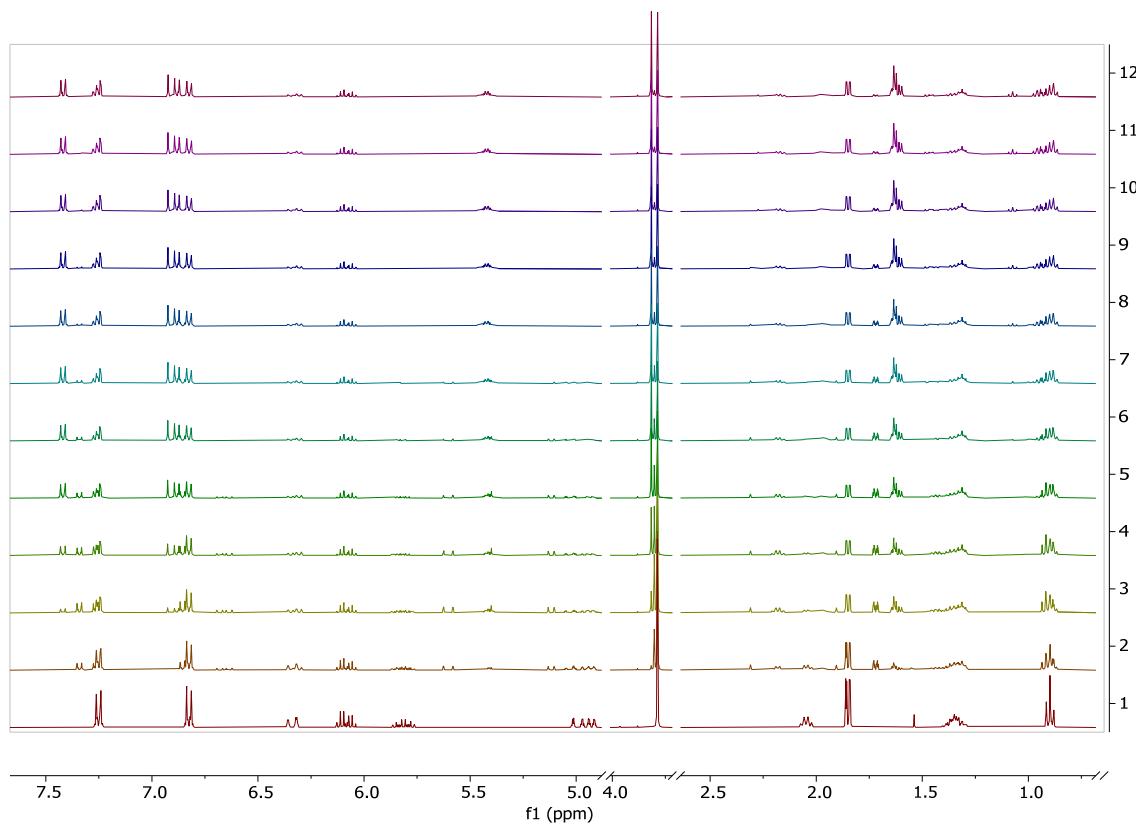
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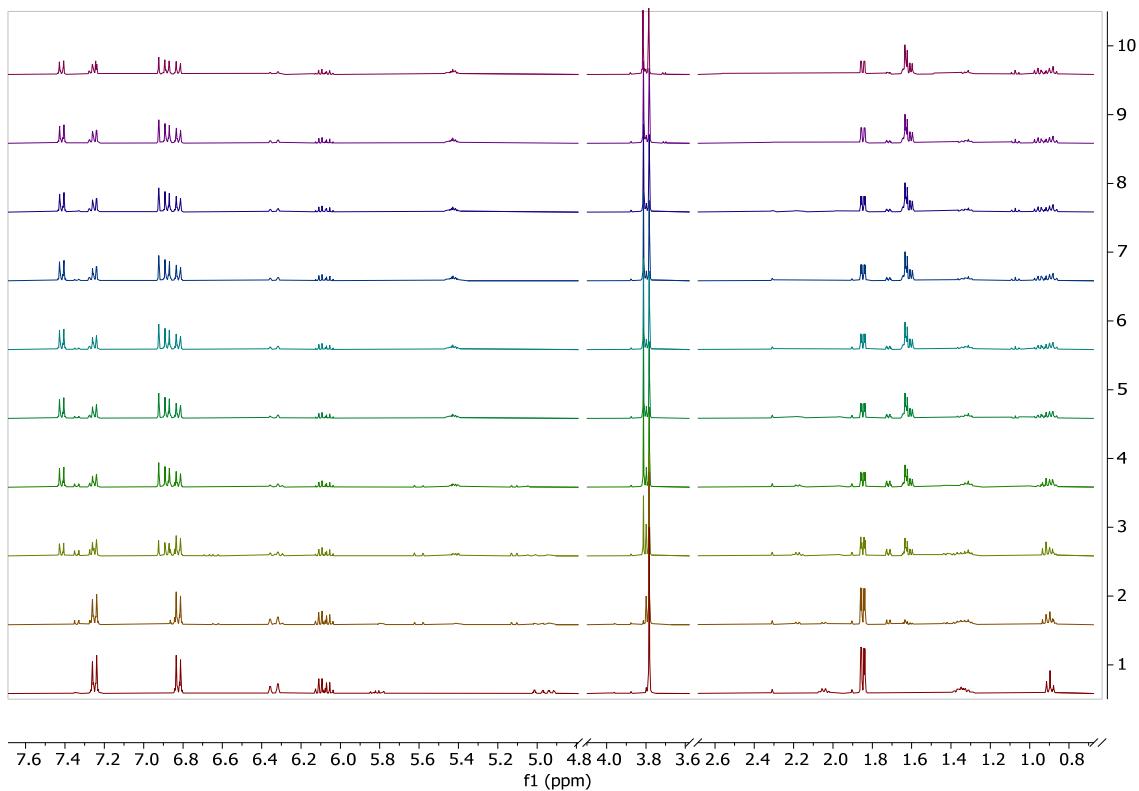
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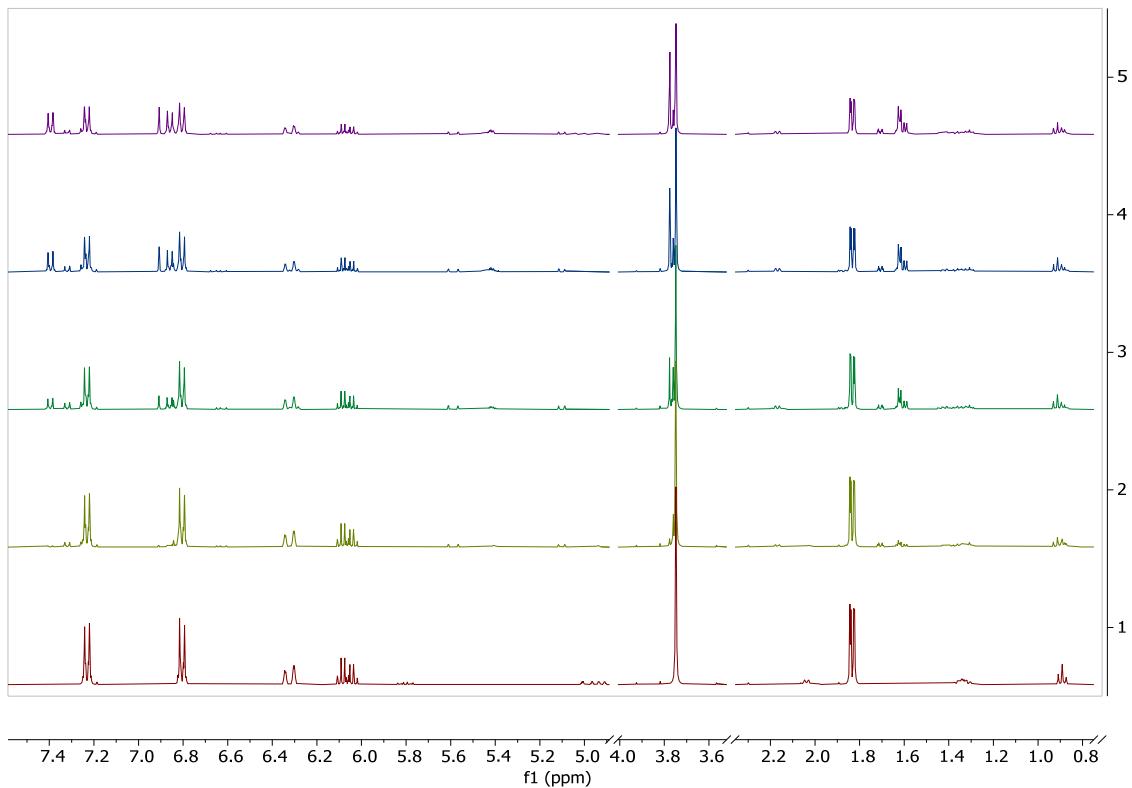
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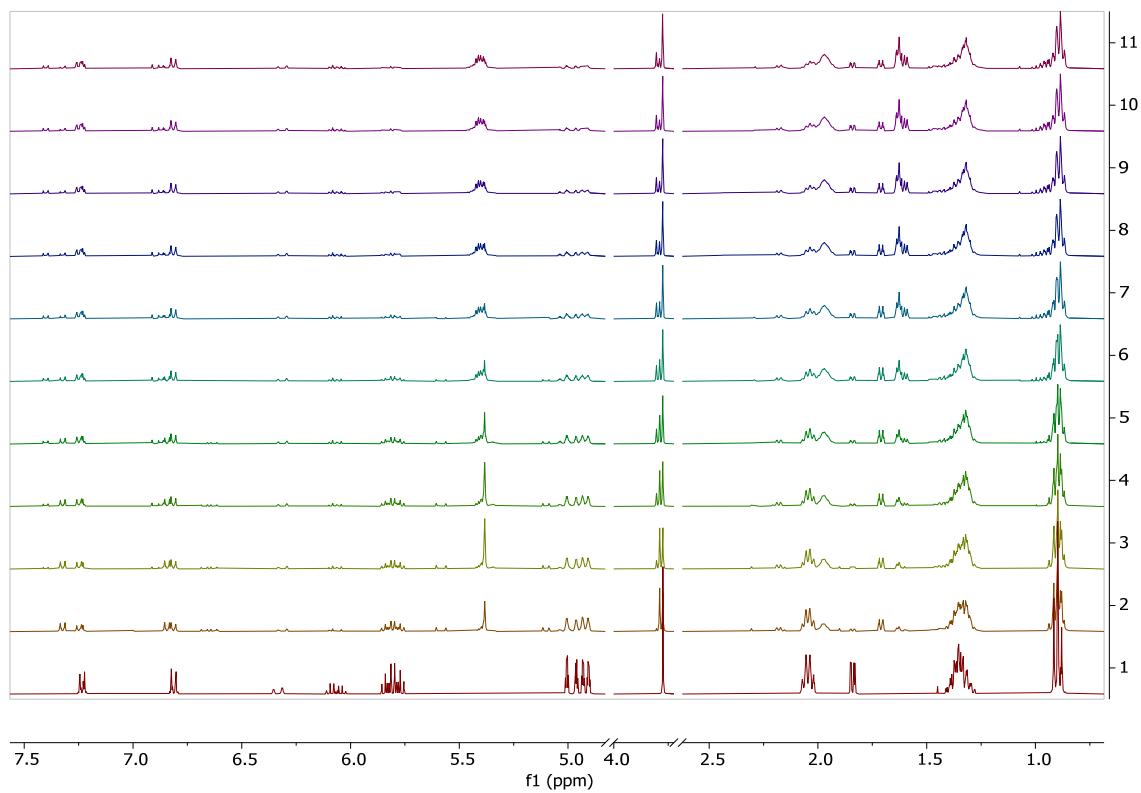
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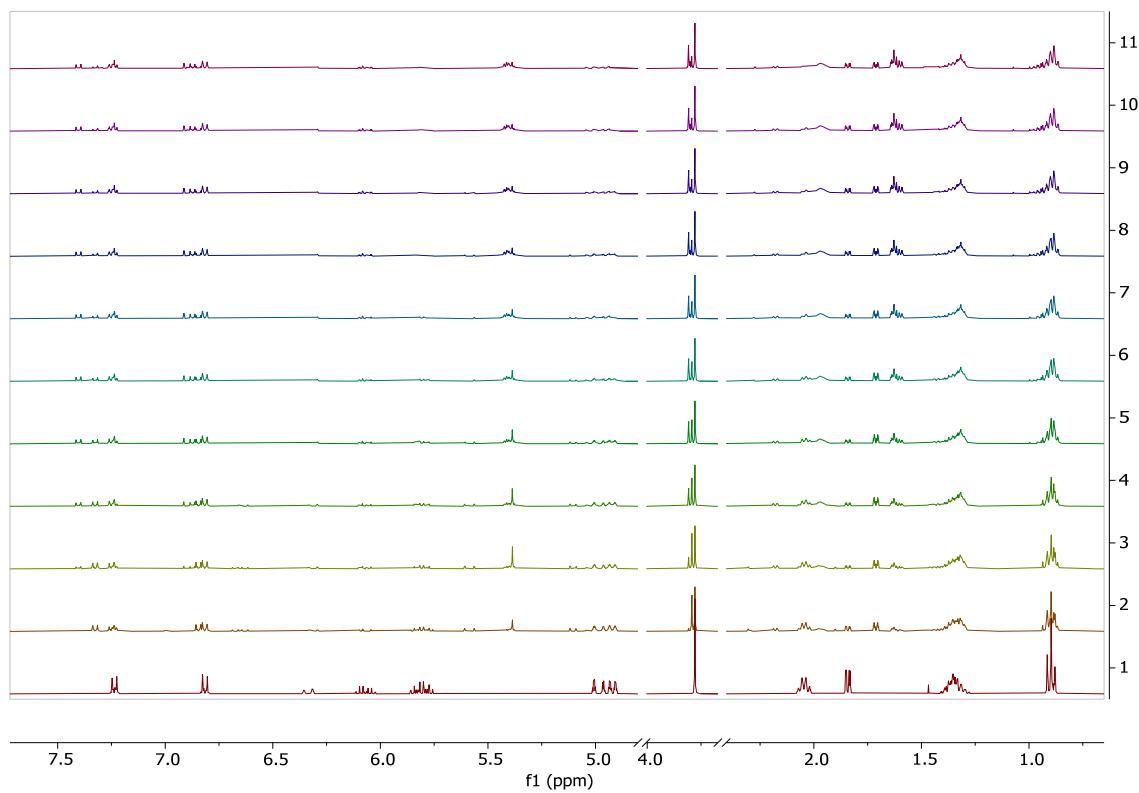
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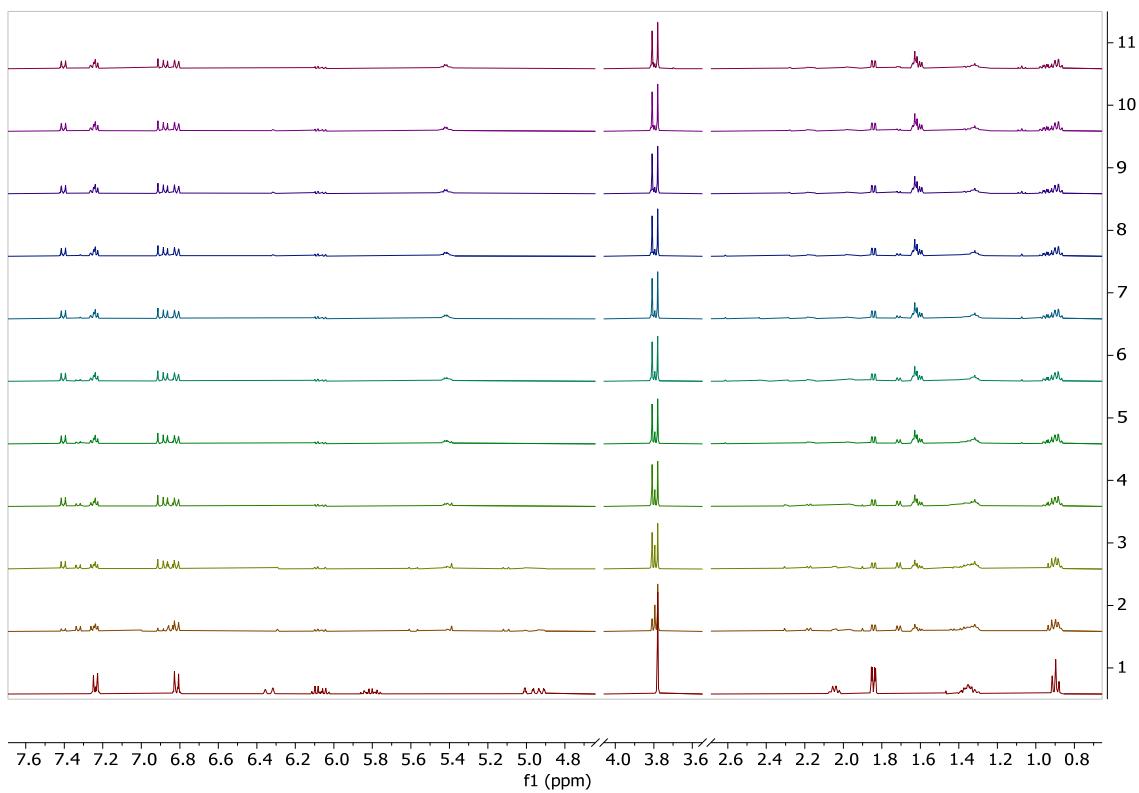
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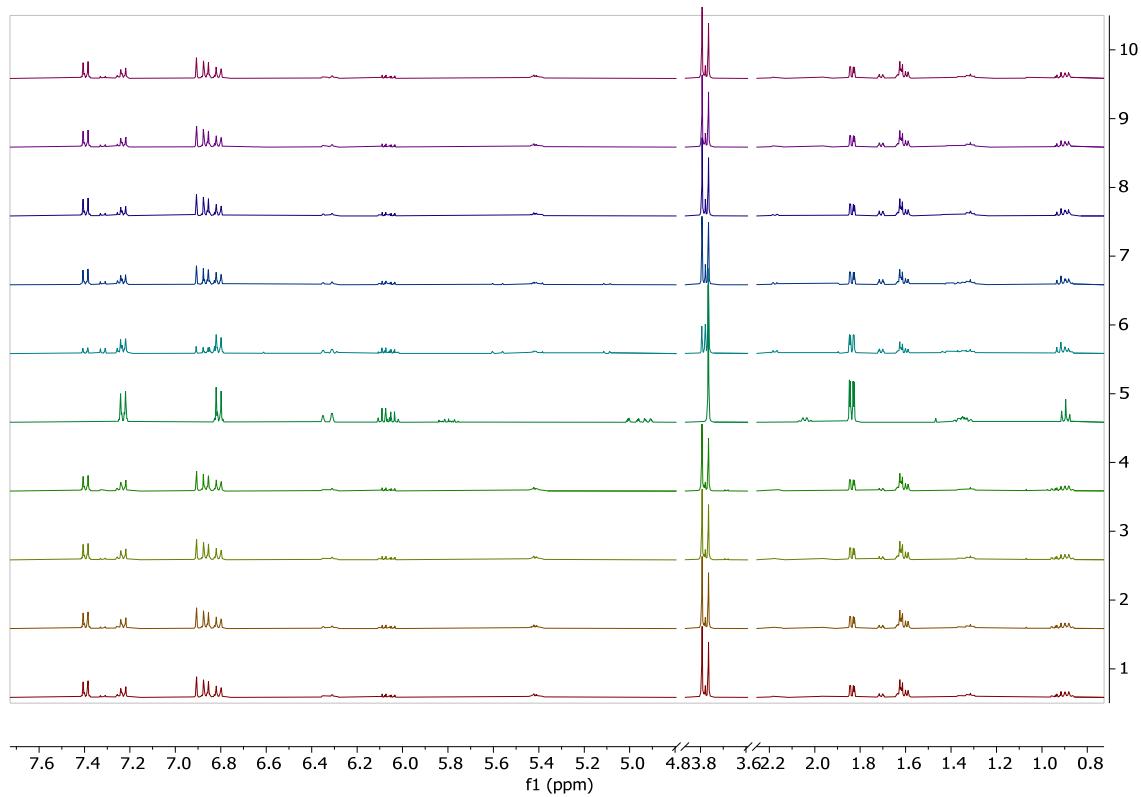
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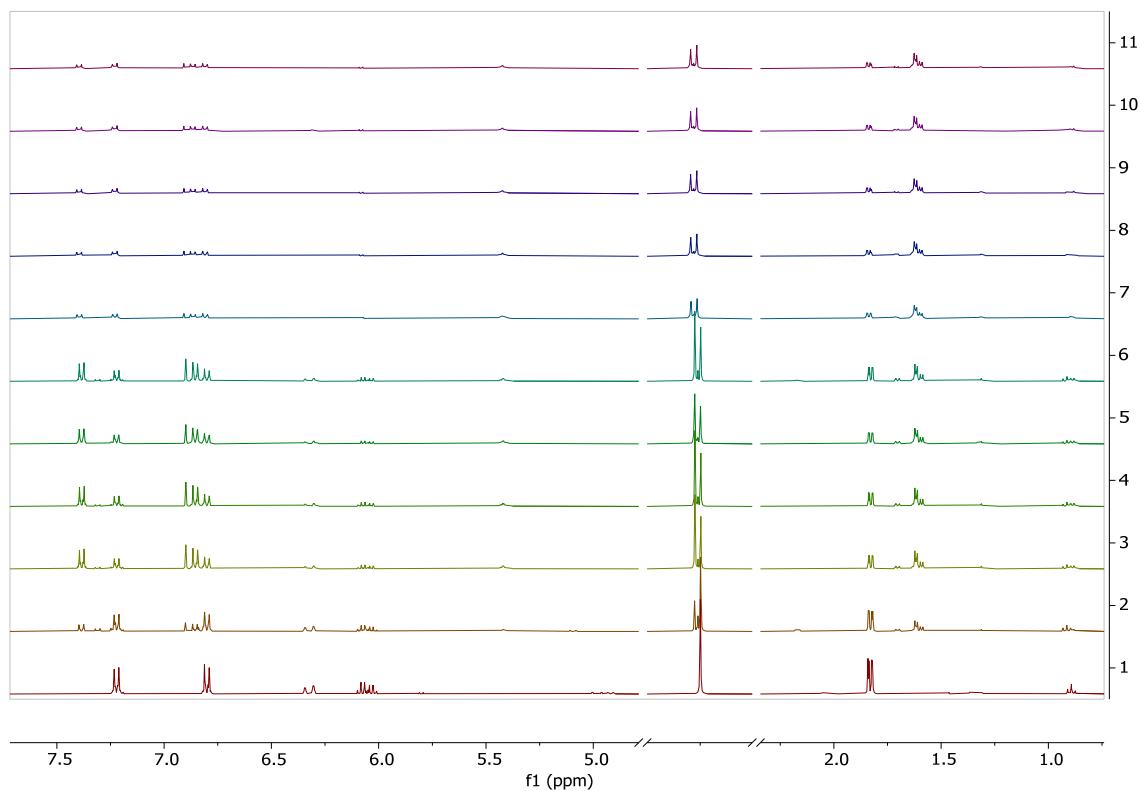
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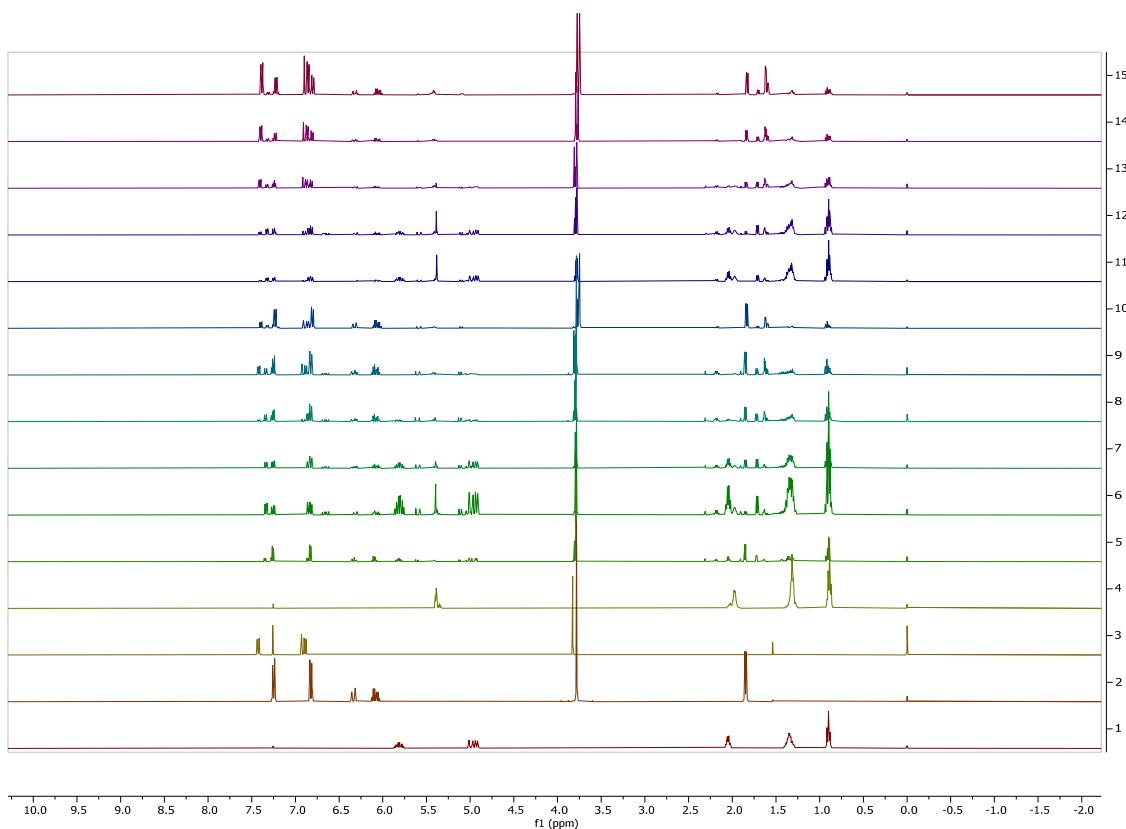
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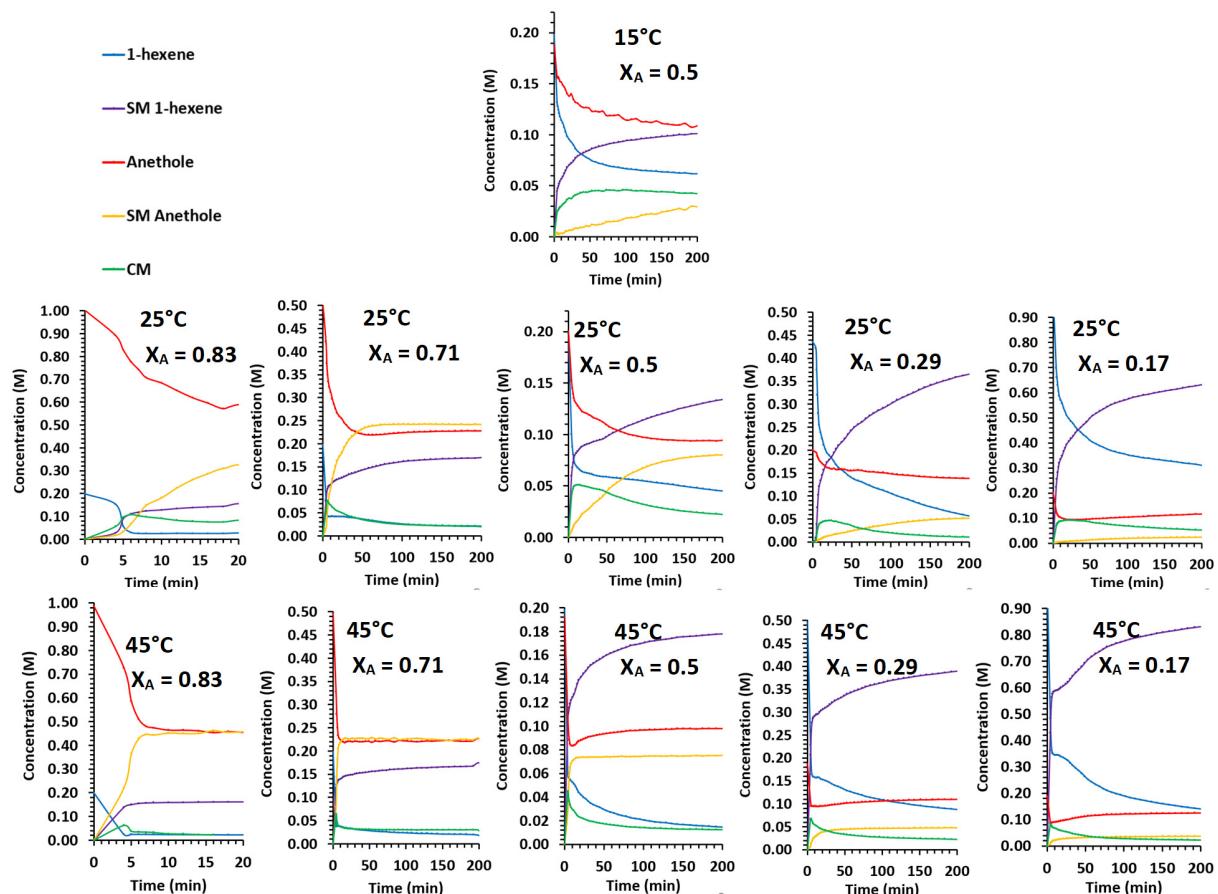
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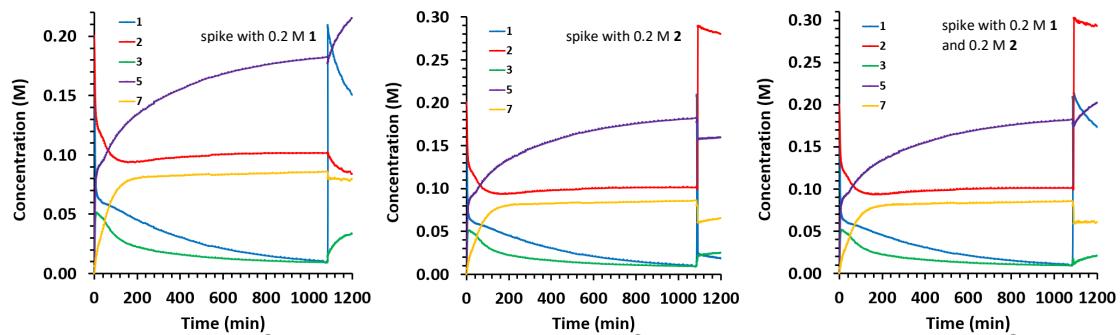
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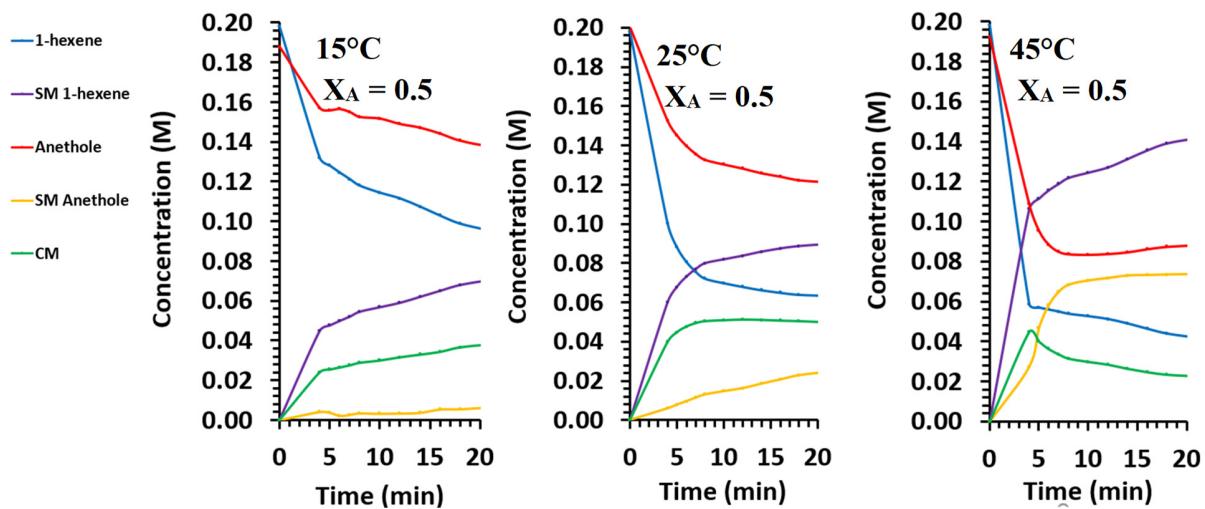
**Figure S12.** Expanded  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of reagents (1) 1-hexene (**1**); (2) (*E*)-anethole (**2**); (3) SM product of (**2**), (*E*)-4,4'-dimethoxystilbene (**7**); (4) SM product of (**1**), (*E*-5-decene (**5**)); and the crude metathesis reaction mixture between (*E*-anethole and 1-hexene in the presence of Grubbs 2<sup>nd</sup> generation at t=10 min. in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  for (5)  $X_{\text{Anethole}} = 0.5$  at 15 °C; (6)  $X_{\text{Anethole}} = 0.17$  at 25 °C; (7)  $X_{\text{Anethole}} = 0.29$  at 25 °C; (8)  $X_{\text{Anethole}} = 0.5$  at 25 °C; (9)  $X_{\text{Anethole}} = 0.71$  at 25 °C; (10)  $X_{\text{Anethole}} = 0.83$  at 25 °C; (11)  $X_{\text{Anethole}} = 0.17$  at 45 °C; (12)  $X_{\text{Anethole}} = 0.29$  at 45 °C; (13)  $X_{\text{Anethole}} = 0.5$  at 45 °C; (14)  $X_{\text{Anethole}} = 0.71$  at 45 °C and; (15)  $X_{\text{Anethole}} = 0.83$  at 45 °C.



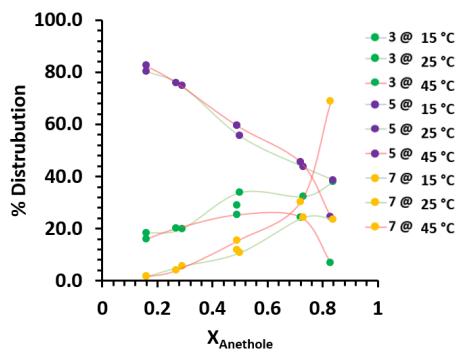
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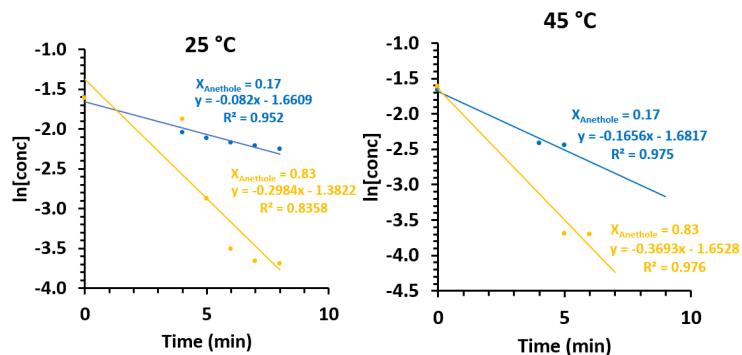
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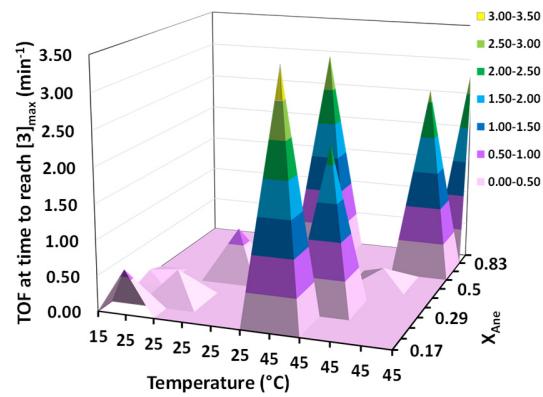
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**Figure S16.** Graph of % distribution of metathesis products **3**, **5**, and **7** vs  $X_{\text{Anethole}}$  at the different temperatures (as indicated) at the time where  $[3]_{\max}$  was reached.



**Figure S17.** The kinetic plots of the disappearance of **1** (blue) and **2** (yellow) at (left) 25 °C and (right) 45 °C for the metathesis reactions (at the indicated  $X_{\text{Anethole}}$ ) that leads to the apparent observed first order rate constant  $k'_{\text{obs}}$ .



**Figure S18.** Graph comparing the TOF at the time when  $[3]_{\text{max}}$  is reached against the reaction conditions.