

**Stereoselective synthesis of functionalized hexene oligomers  
catalyzed by chiral *ansa*-zirconocene in the presence  
of Al- and B-containing activators**

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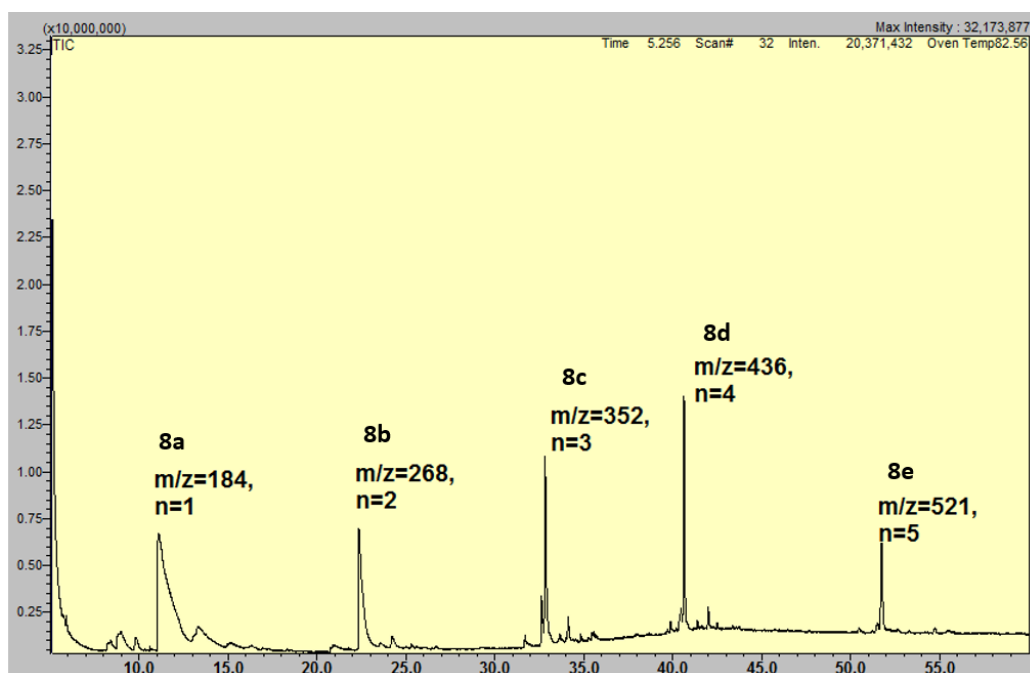
## General procedure

All operations for organometallic compounds were performed under argon according to Schlenk technique. The solvents (toluene) were distilled from  $\text{Bu}^i_2\text{AlH}$  immediately prior to use; THF and diethyl ether were dried and distilled from sodium/benzophenone before use. Dichloromethane was dried over  $\text{P}_2\text{O}_5$ . Commercially available 97%  $\text{AlMe}_3$  (Aldrich), MMAO-12 (7 wt% Al in toluene, Sigma-Aldrich) and  $[\text{Ph}_3\text{C}][\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_4]$  (97%, Alfa Aesar) were involved into the reactions. Dichloro[(*R,R*)-ethylenebis(4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1-indenyl)]zirconium(IV) (Sigma-Aldrich) and 1-hexene (97%, Acros) were used.

The  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AVANCE-400 spectrometer (400.13 MHz ( $^1\text{H}$ ), 100.62 MHz ( $^{13}\text{C}$ ), and 376.44 MHz ( $^{19}\text{F}$ )). As the solvent and the internal standard,  $\text{CDCl}_3$  and  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$  were employed. 1D and 2D NMR spectra (COSY HH, HSQC, HMBC) were recorded using standard Bruker pulse sequences. The deuterated products were analyzed using a gas chromatograph mass spectrometer GCMS-QP2010 Ultra (Shimadzu) equipped with the GC-2010 Plus chromatograph, TD-20 thermal desorber, and an ultrafast quadrupole mass-selective detector. The optical rotation  $[\alpha]^{D_{20}}$  was measured on a Perkin Elmer-341 polarimeter.

### **Reaction of 1-alkenes with $\text{AlMe}_3$ in the presence of dichloro[(*R,R*)-ethylenebis(4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1-indenyl)]zirconium(IV) and activators (MMAO-12, $[\text{Ph}_3\text{C}][\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_4]$ ) .**

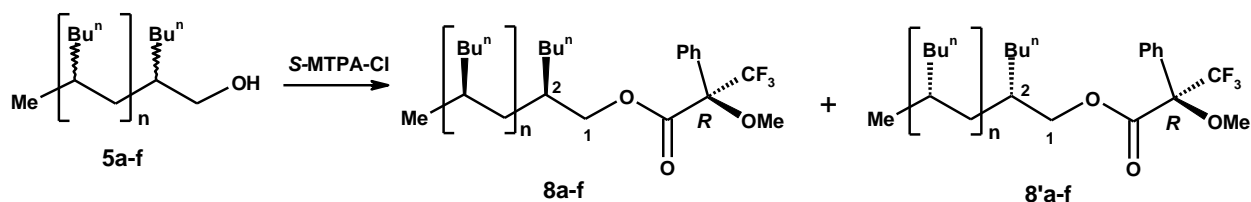
A 25 ml glass reactor mounted on a magnetic stirrer and filled with argon was charged with catalyst (*p-R,p-R-1* or *rac-1*) (5 mg, 0.0117 mmol),  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CH}_3$  (5 ml), 1-hexene (0.37-0.73 ml, 2.93-5.85 mmol),  $\text{AlMe}_3$  (0.23ml, 2.34 mmol) and MMAO-12 (0.3 ml, 0.585 mmol) or  $[\text{Ph}_3\text{C}][\text{B}(\text{C}_6\text{F}_5)_4]$  (6.5 mg, 0.007 mmol). The reaction was carried out at 20°C with continuous stirring for 72 hours. After completion of the reaction, a part of the reaction mixture was quenched with 10%  $\text{DCl}$  at 0°C. The products were extracted with benzene and filtered, and the organic layer was dried with  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ . The composition of OAC products (**2,3a-f**) was determined by analyzing the hydrolysis and deuterolysis products (**6, 7a-f**) by GC and GC/MS.

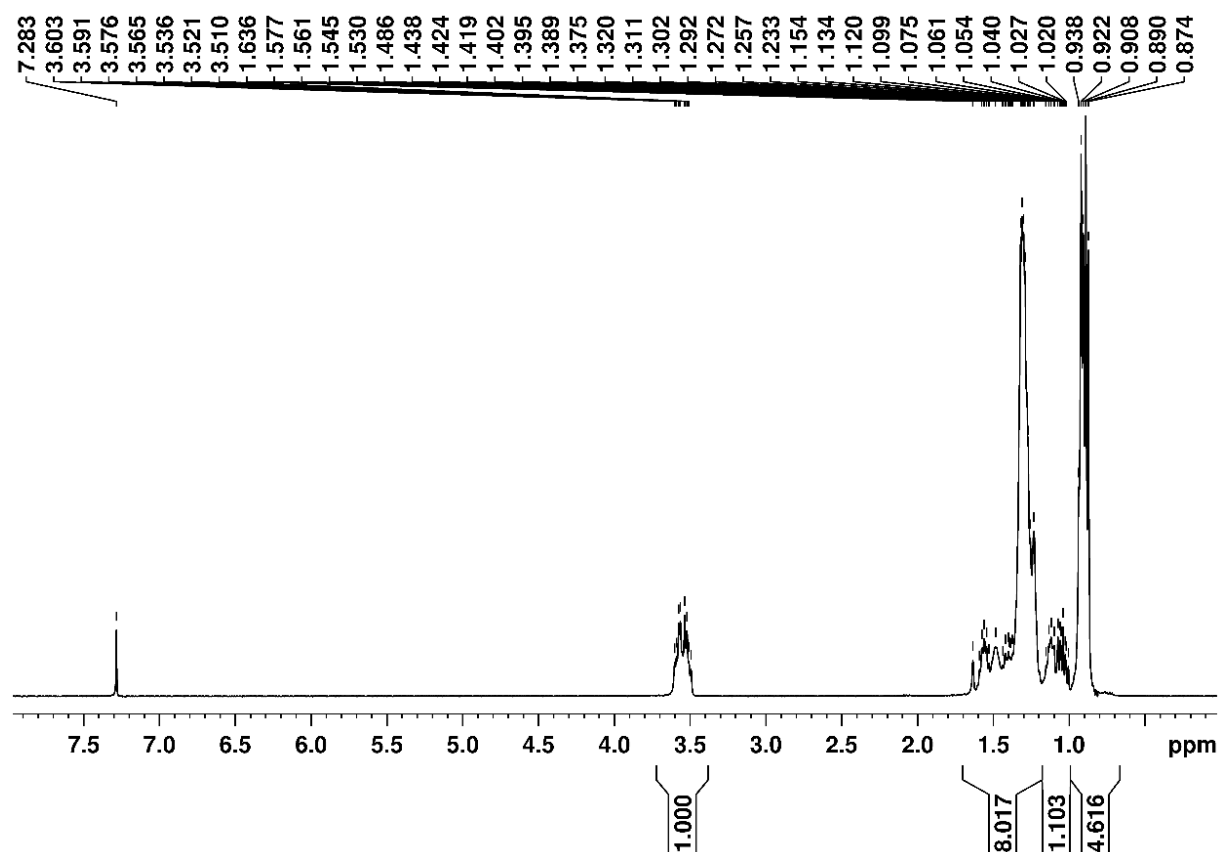
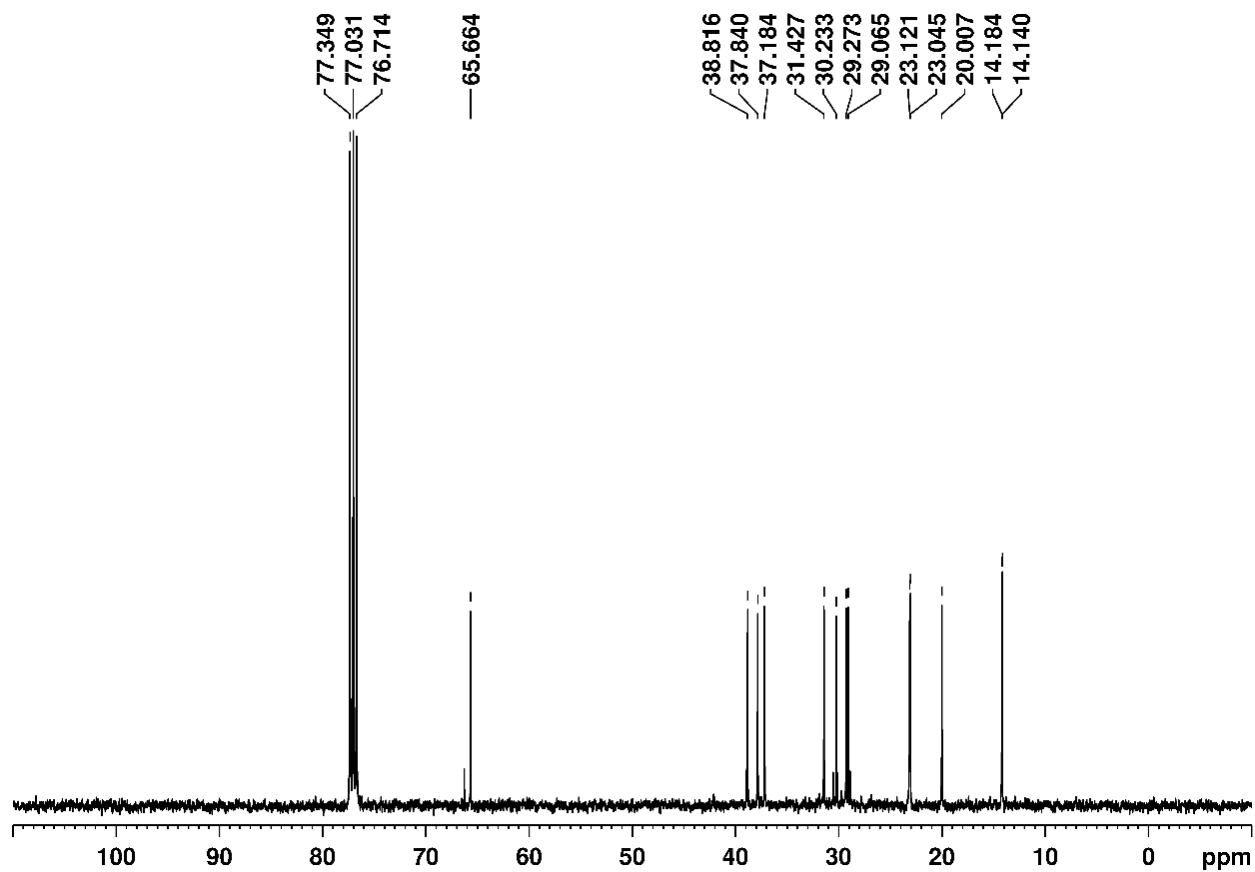


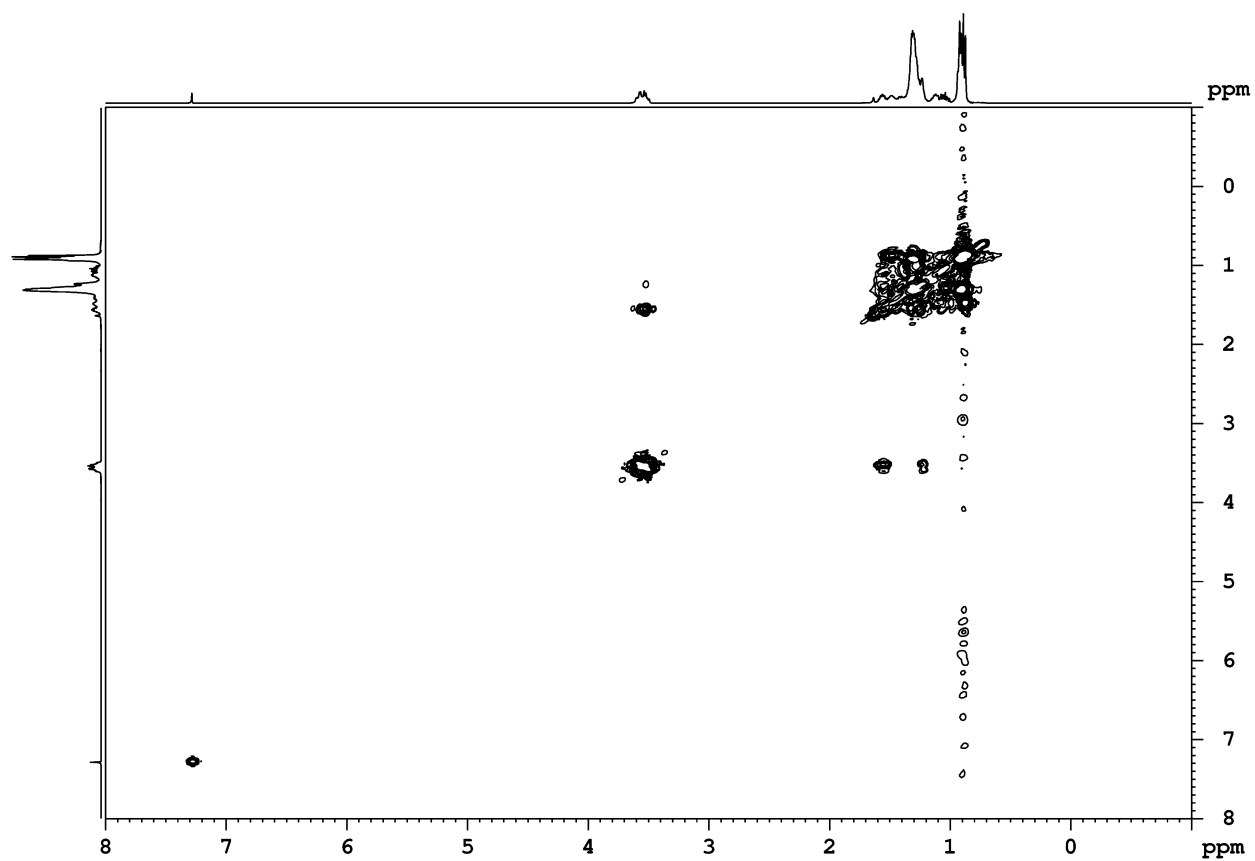
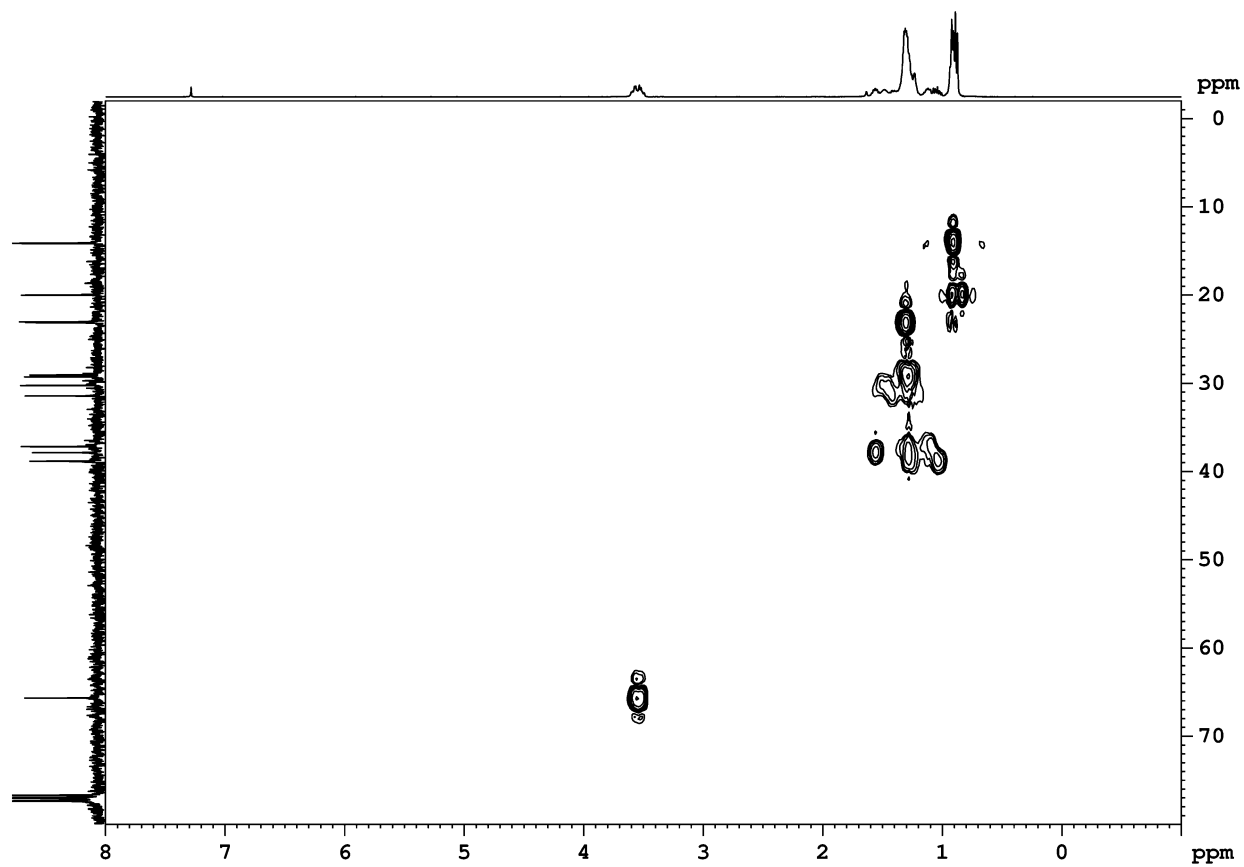
GLC of hydrolysis products **7a-f** obtained in the reaction catalyzed by complex **1**.

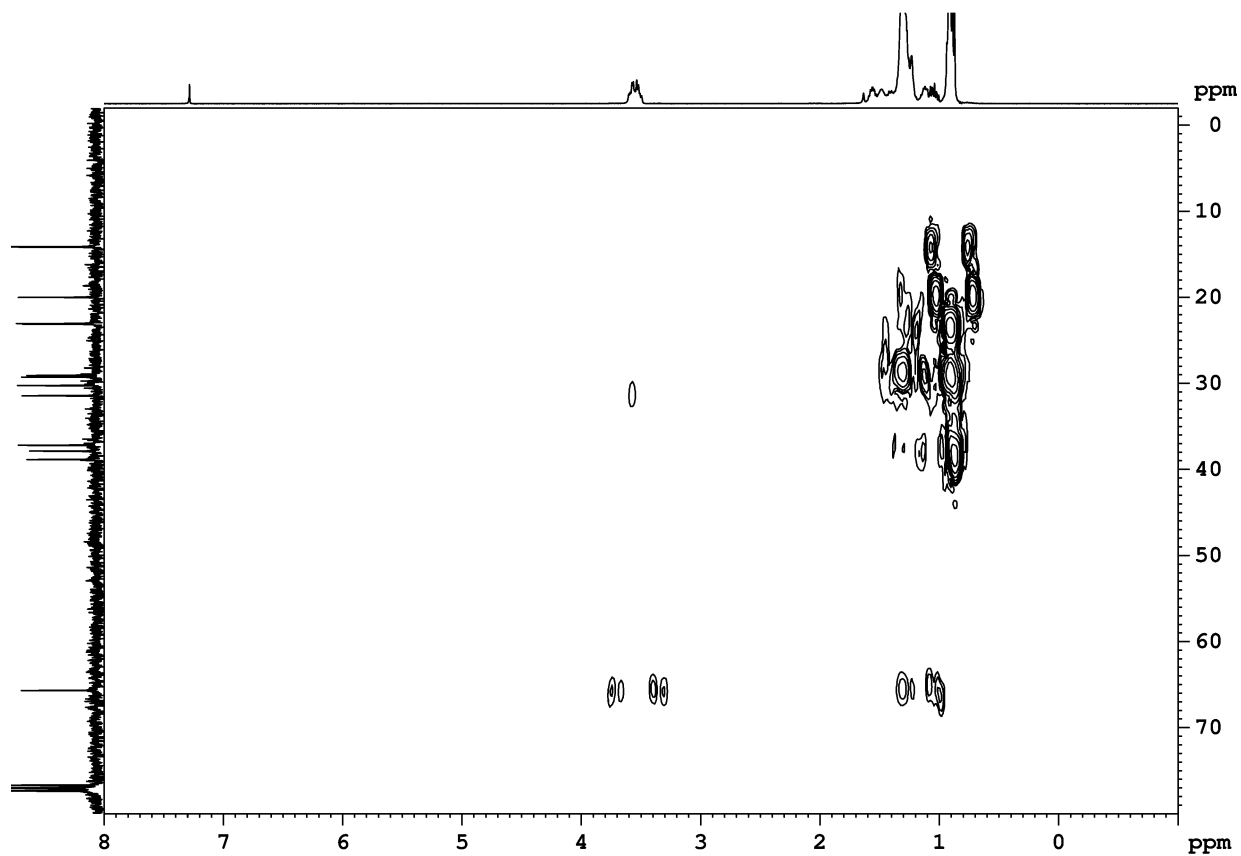
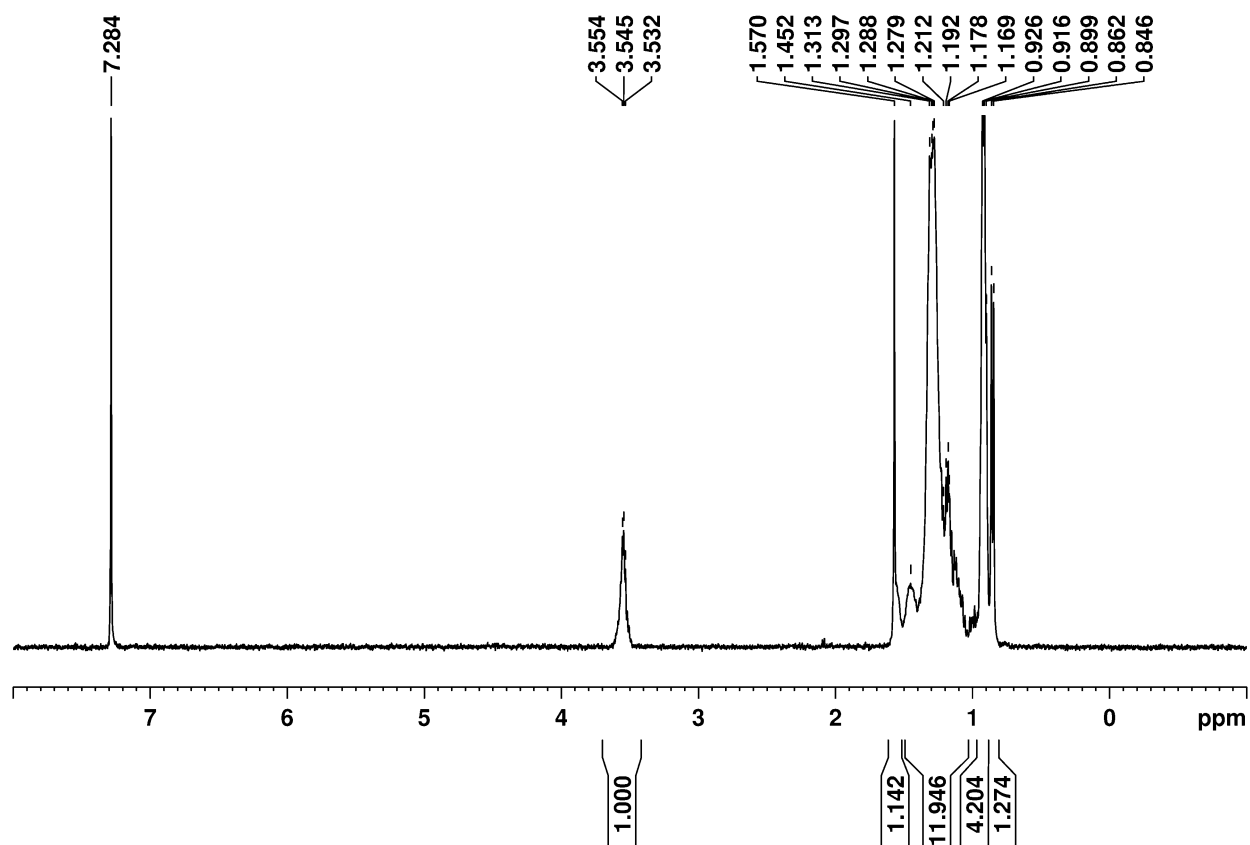
The remaining reaction mixture was cooled to 0°C and oxidized by bubbling O<sub>2</sub> for 2 h, then kept in an oxygen atmosphere for 24 hours. The products were quenched with HCl and extracted by diethyl ether, and the organic layer was dried with Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated. Functionally substituted oligomers (**5a-f**) were isolated by column chromatography on silica gel (0.060–0.200 mm, 60 Å) using a hexane/diethyl ether system 7:1. Fractions were collected in flasks and dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. Each fraction was evaporated and the resulting oily liquid was analyzed by <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy.

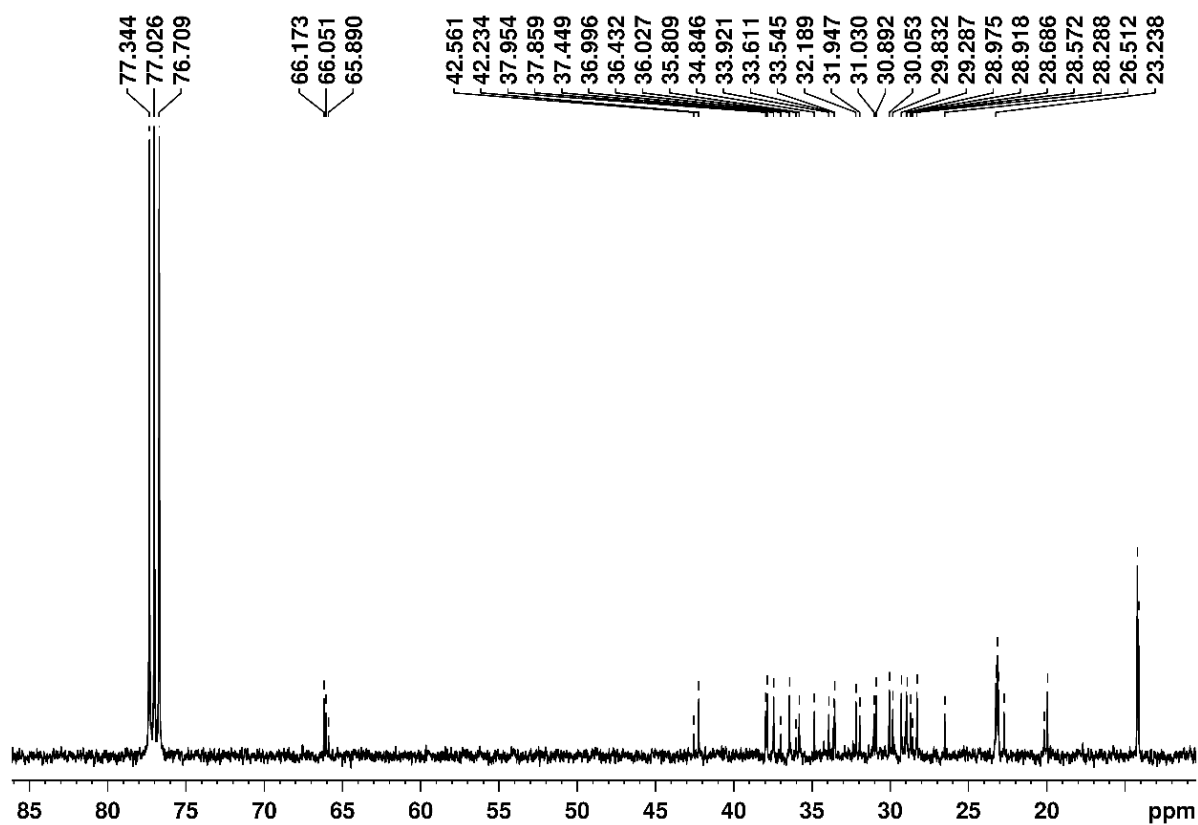
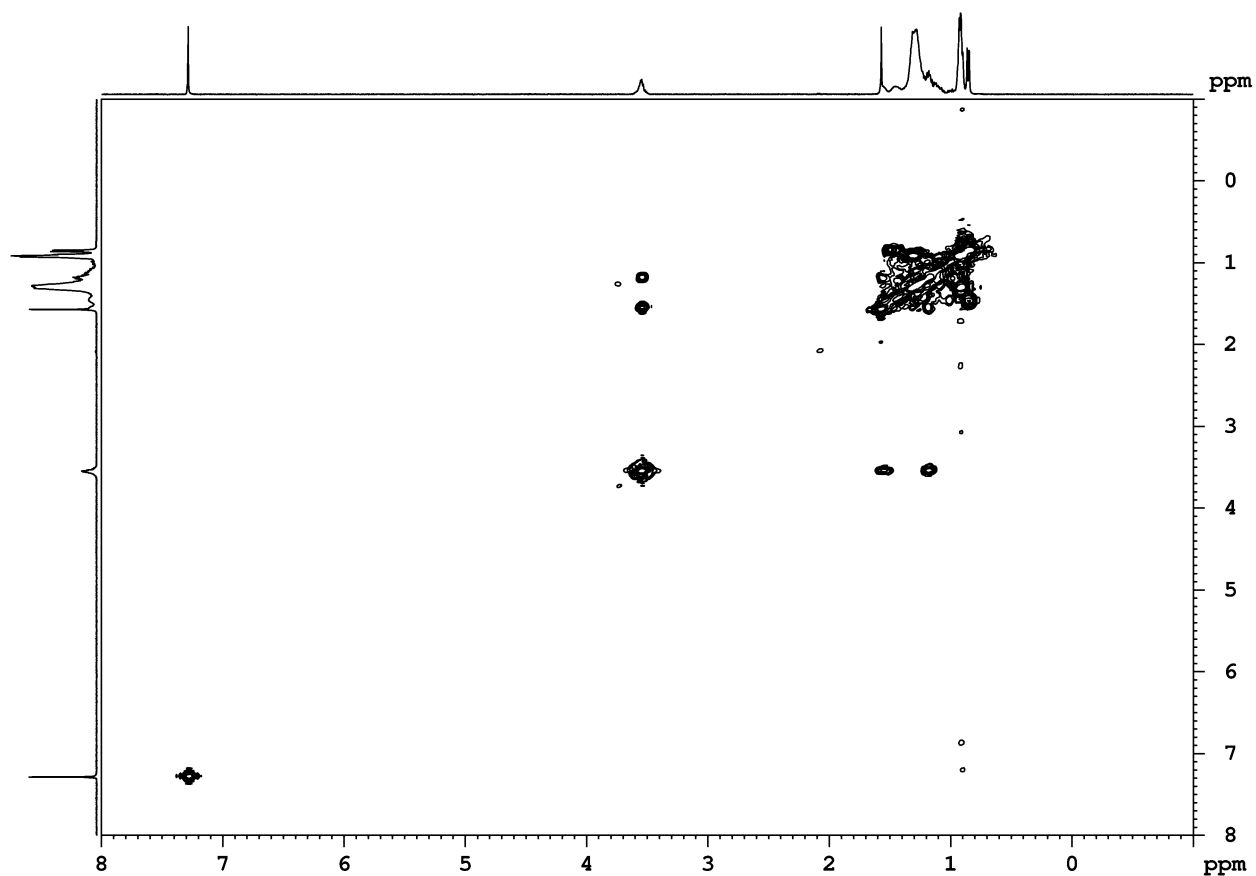
The alcohols (**5a-f**) were involved in the reaction with (*S*)-(+)- $\alpha$ -methoxy- $\alpha$ -(trifluoromethyl)phenylacetyl chloride (*S*-MTPA-Cl) [18,19] to give diastereomeric esters **8a-f**, which were then analyzed by <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, and <sup>19</sup>F NMR. Esters *rac*-**8a-f** were synthesized from racemic *rac*-**5a-f** obtained in the reaction catalyzed with *rac*-**1**

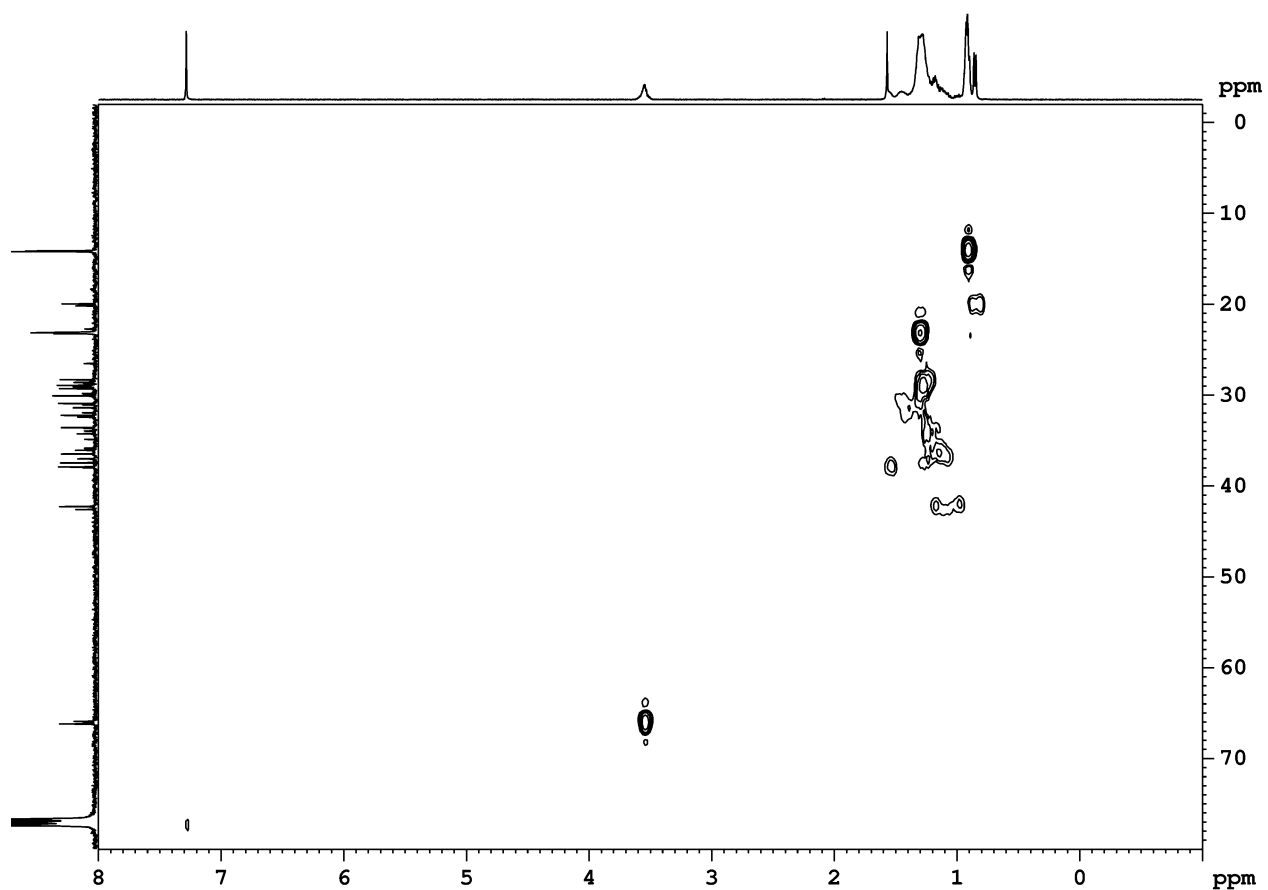
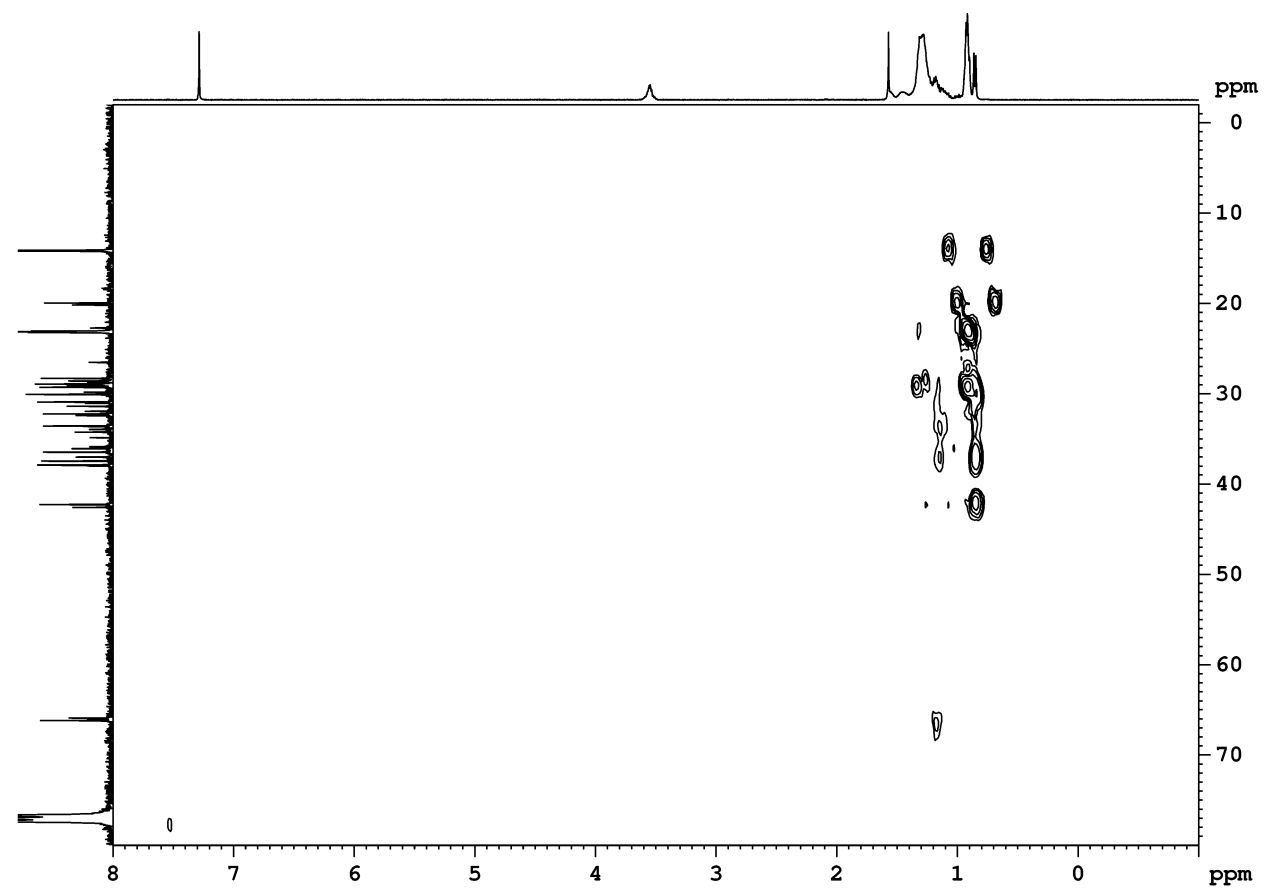


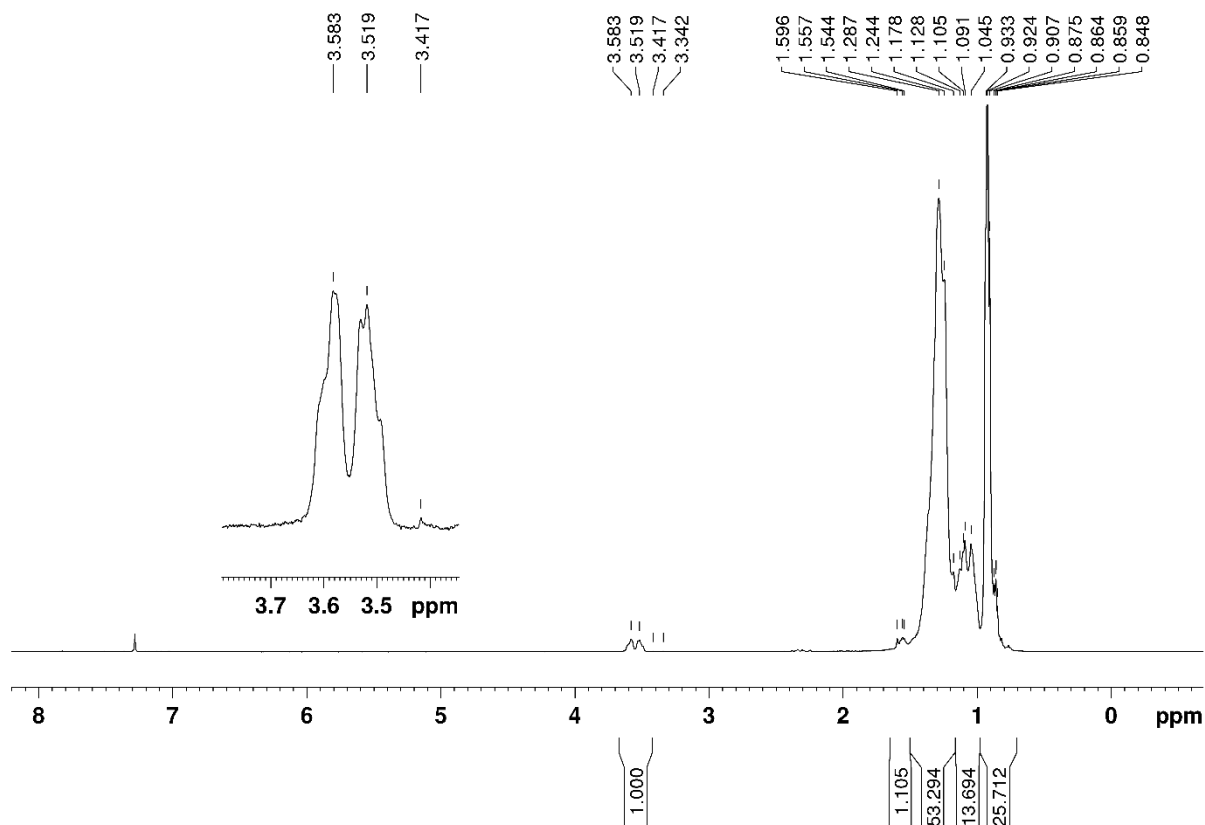
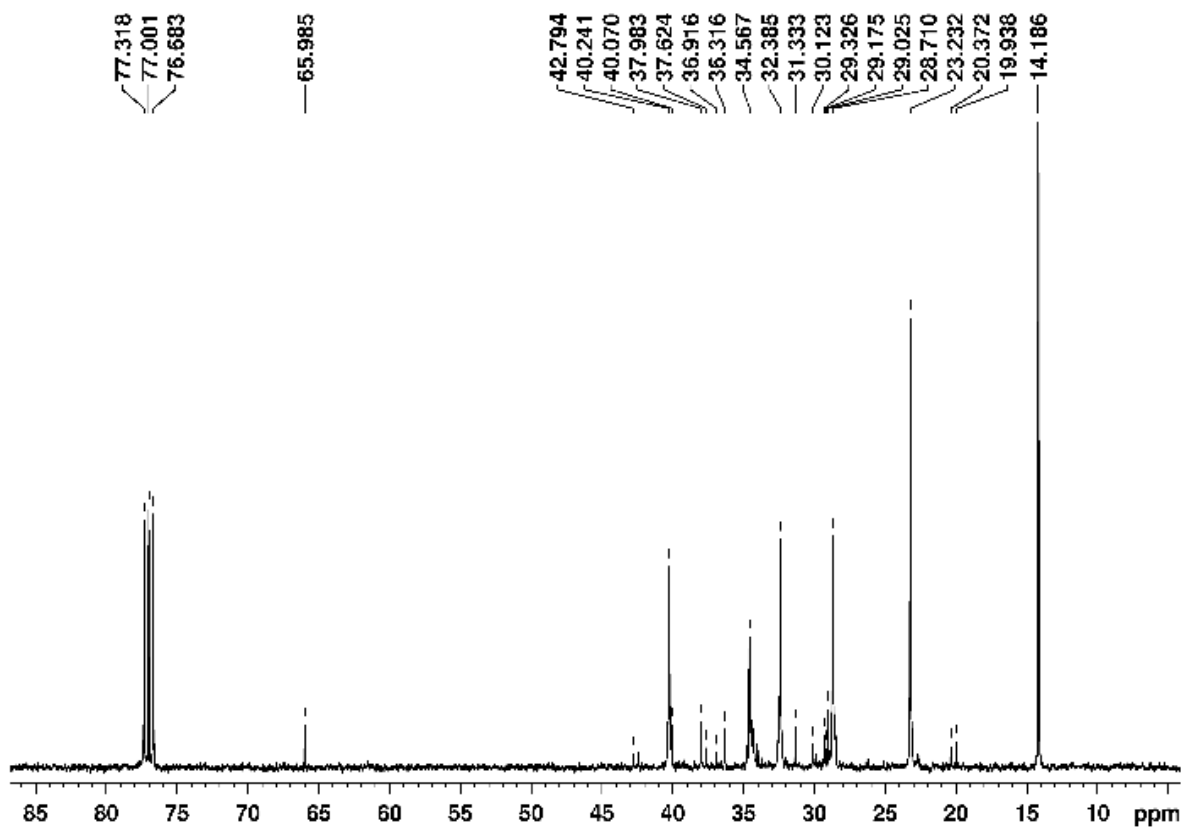
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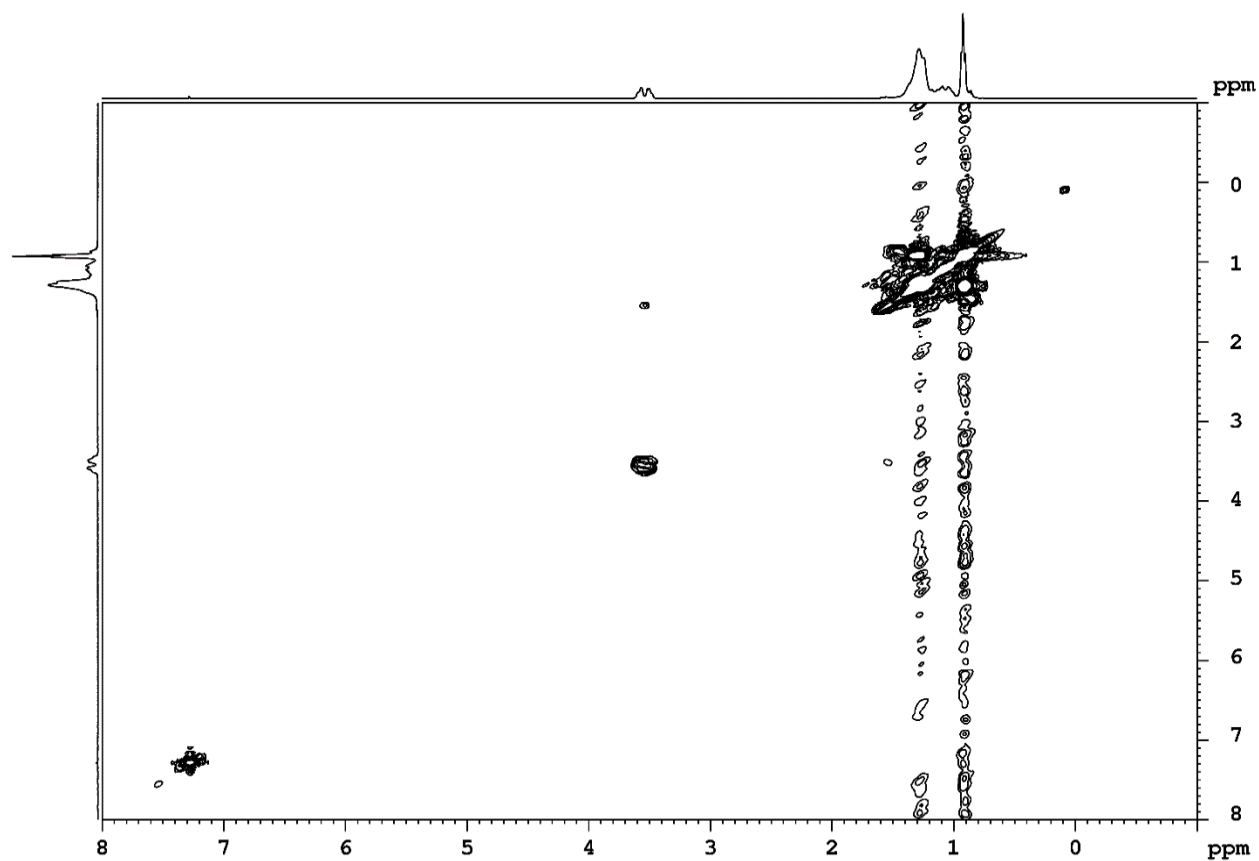
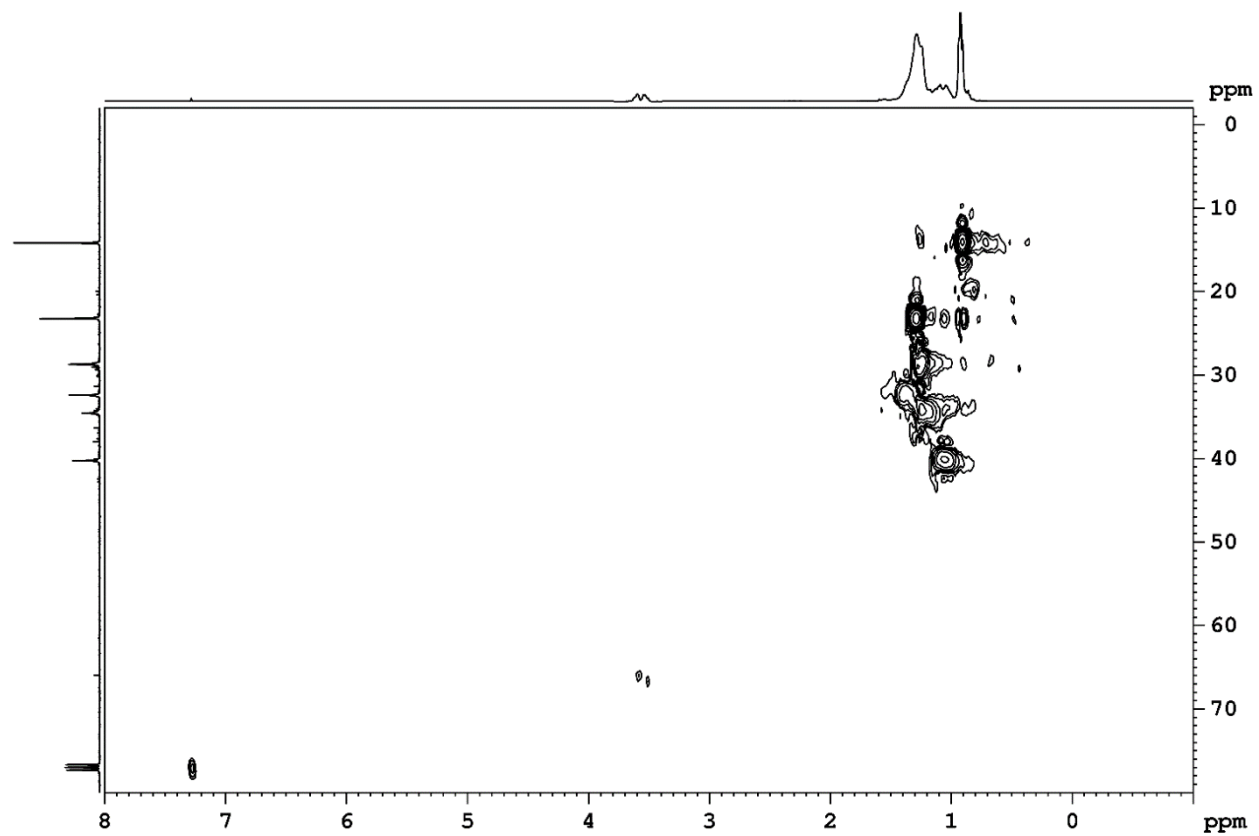
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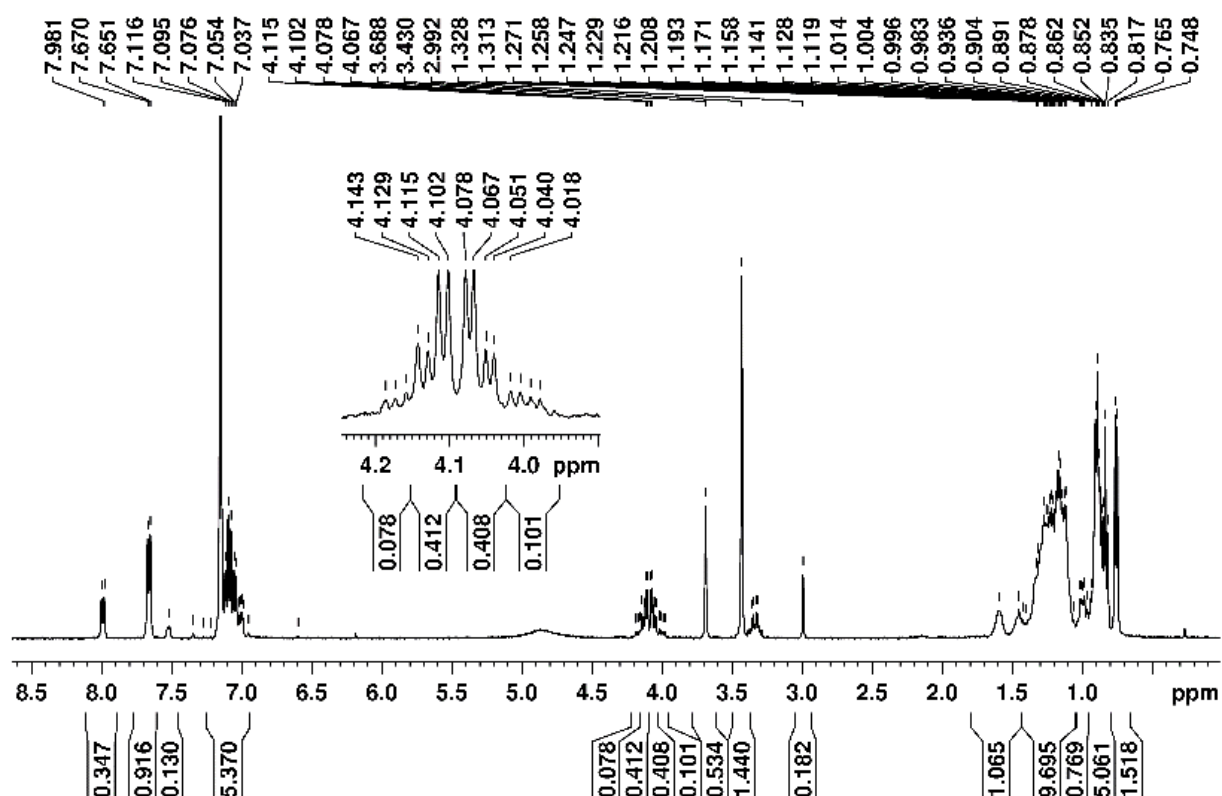
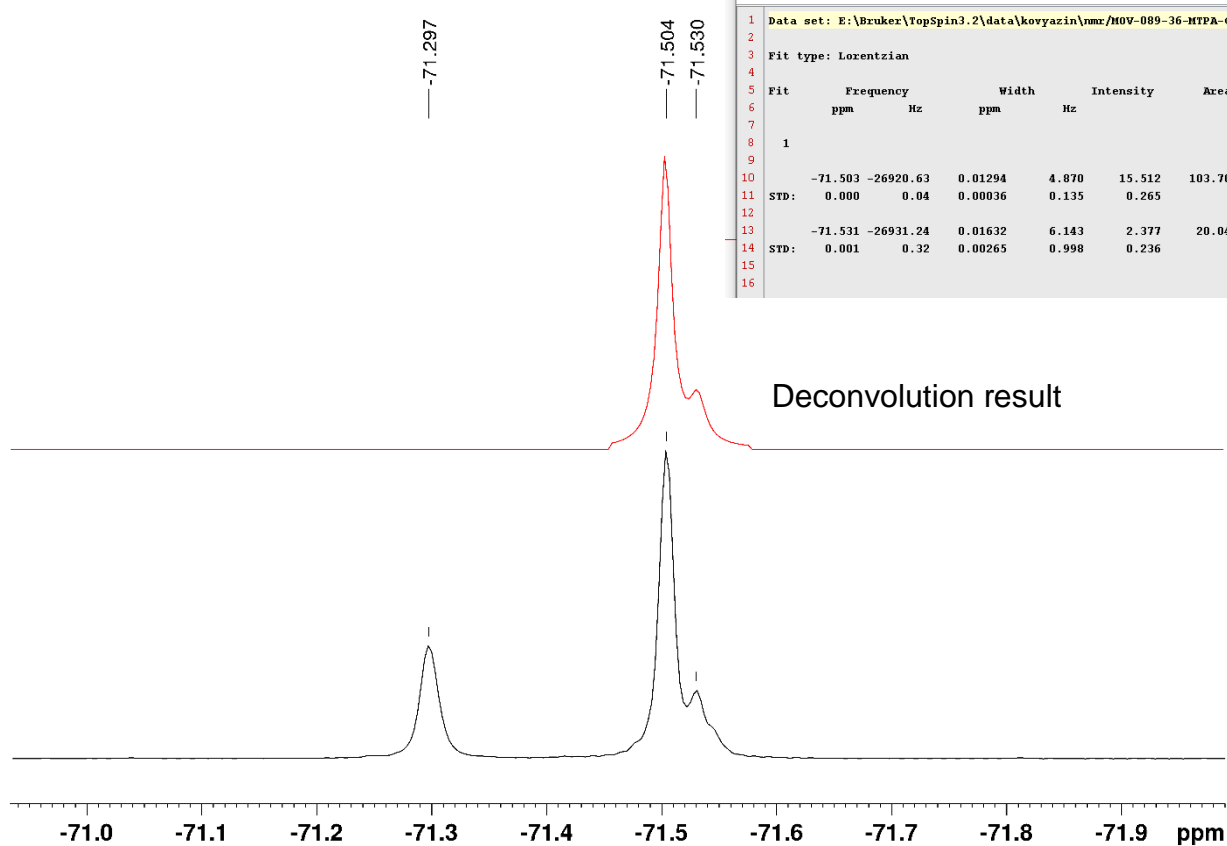
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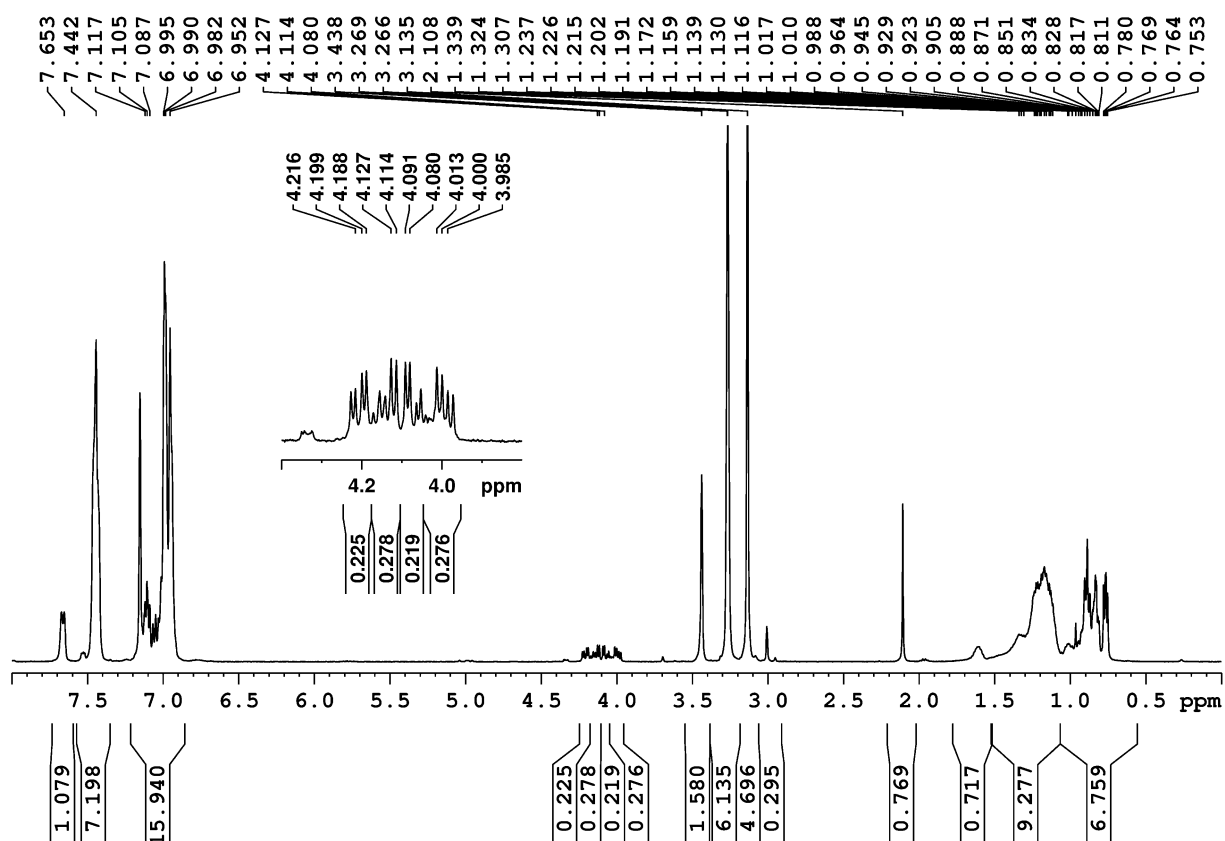
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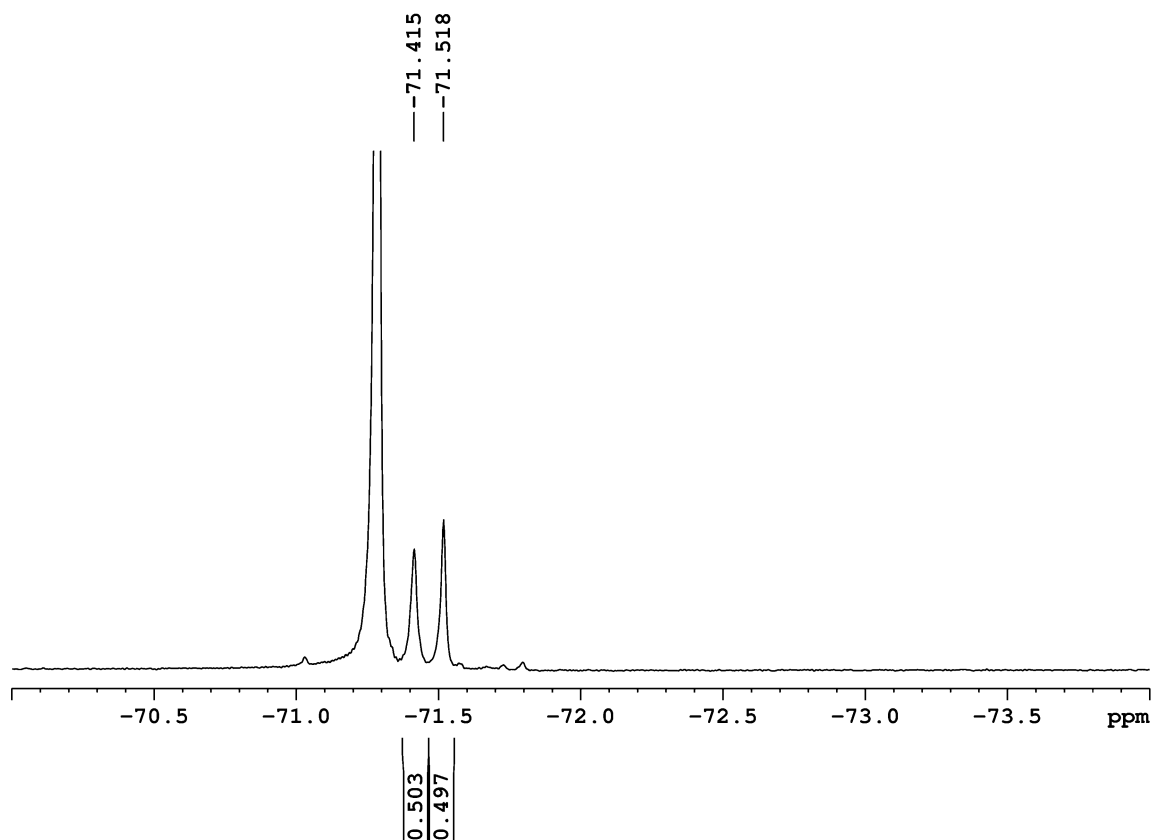
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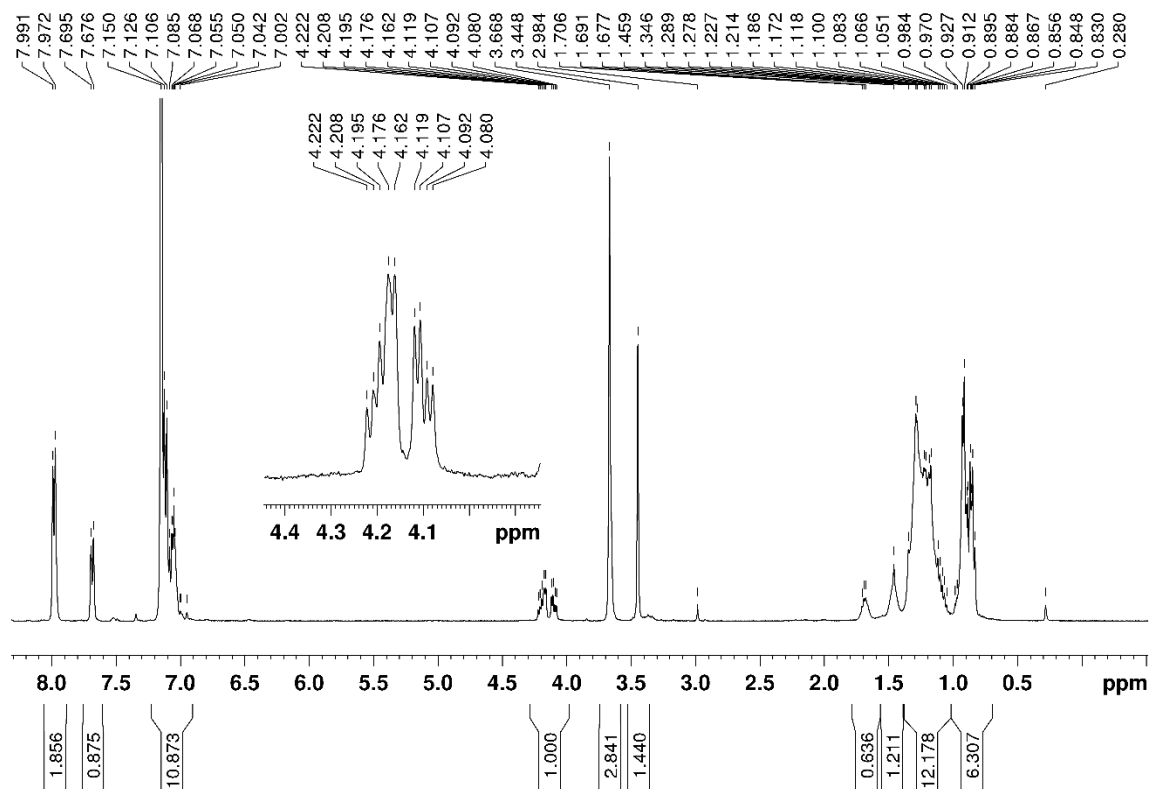
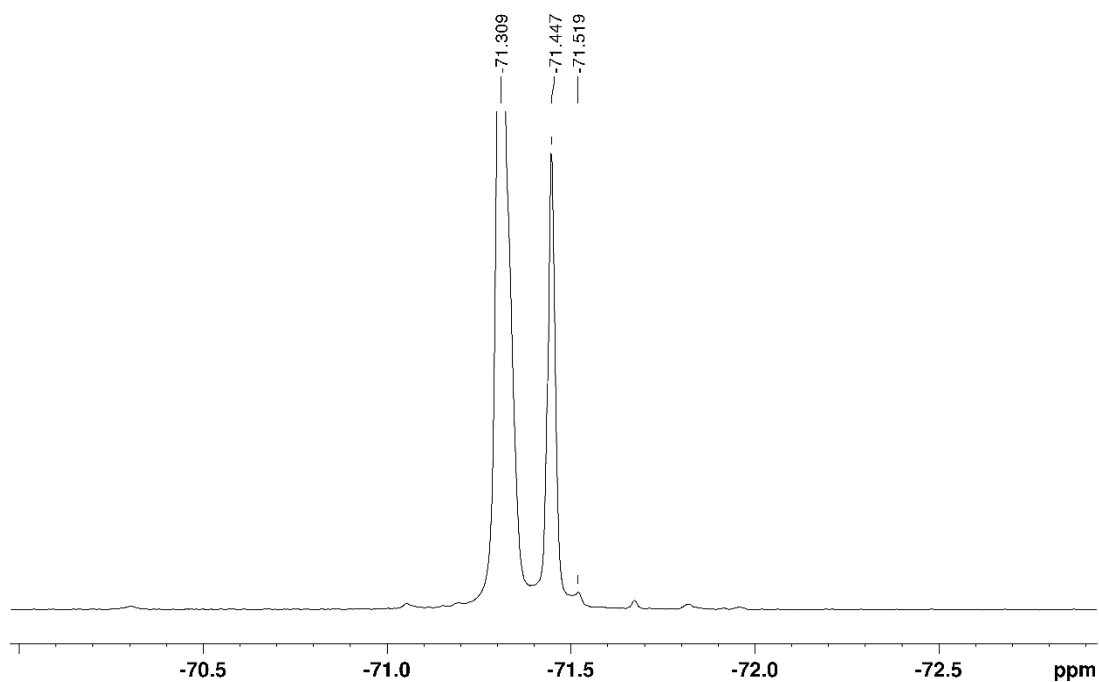
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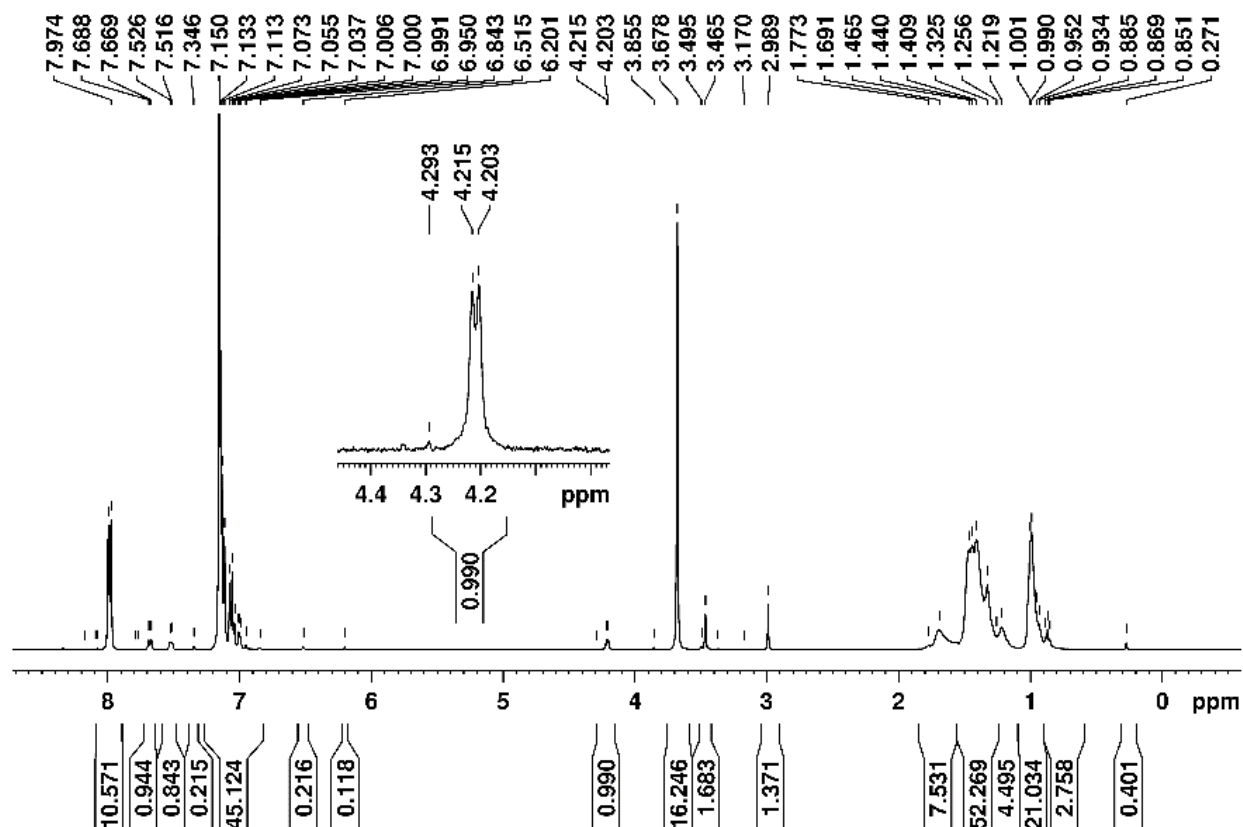
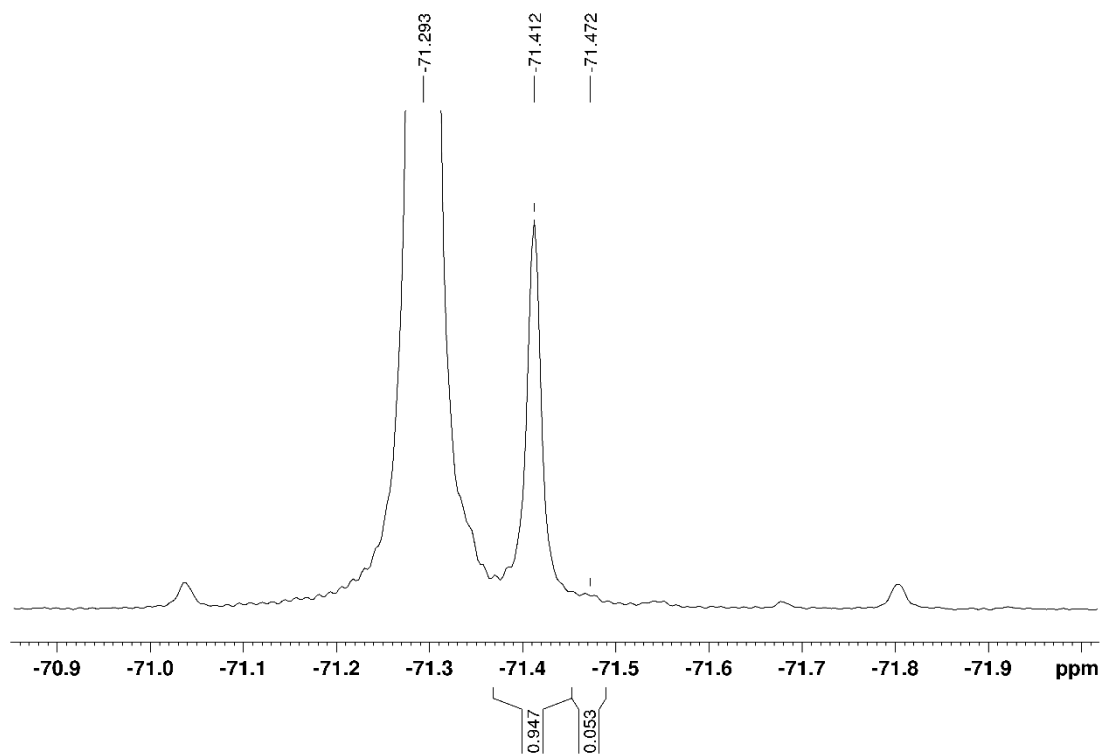
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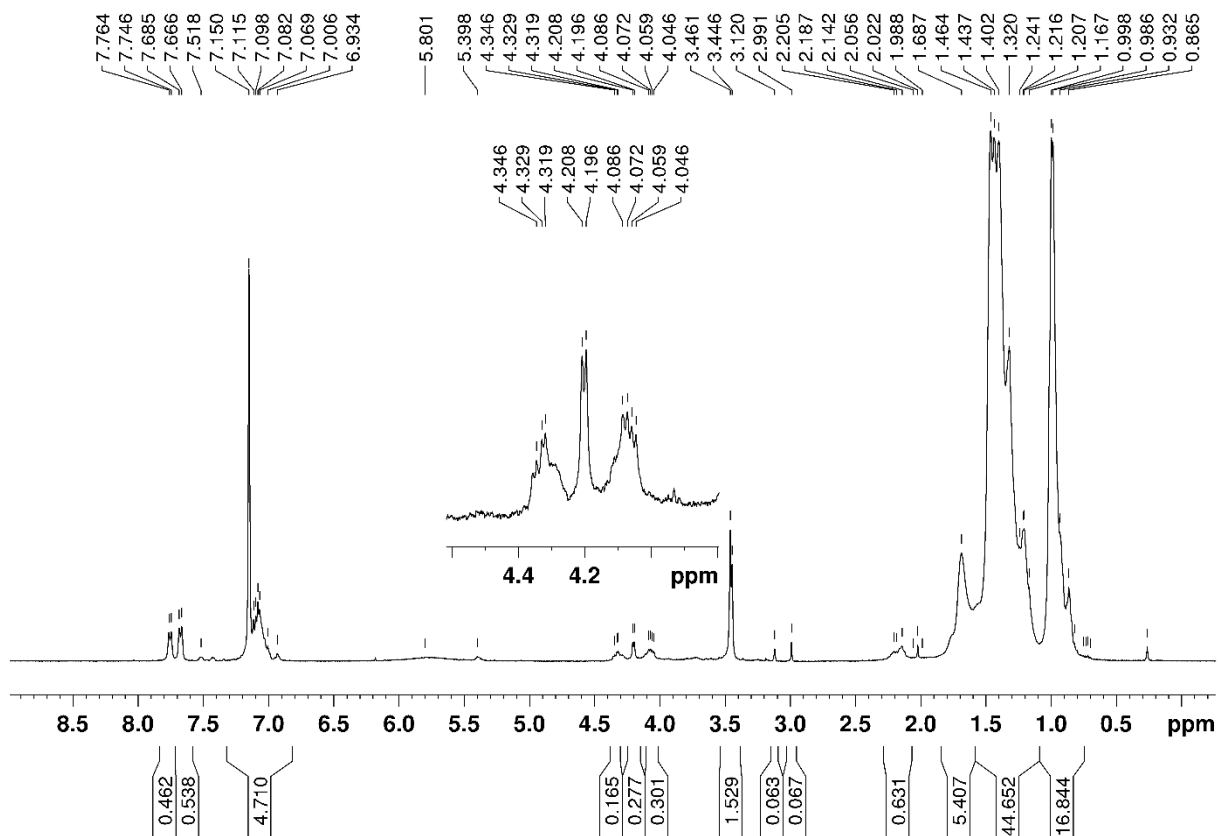


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