

Trithiacrown ethers incorporating tetrahydropyridine subunit: synthesis, *in vitro* and *in silico* studies of inhibitory activity against α -glucosidase

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1. Chemicals and solvents

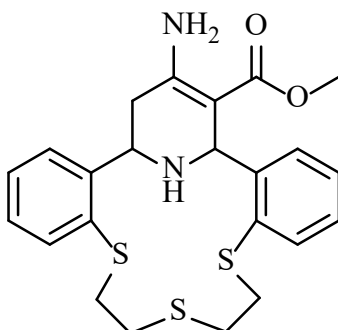
All chemical reagents were purchased from commercial source (Sigma Aldrich, Merck, China) and used directly without any further purification. Solvents for reactions, extraction, recrystallization and column chromatography such as acetonitrile, ethanol, methanol, dichloromethane, *n*-hexane, and ethyl acetate were purchased from China and DEAJUNG (Korea).

2. Instrumentation

TLC analysis was performed on commercially prepared silica gel plates (Merck, F254) and visualized by either UV irradiation or staining with I₂. Silica gel (0.063–0.2 mm) was used for column chromatography. The melting point of the synthetic molecule was determined in capillary tubes on a digital Stuart SMP3 apparatus. The LC/MS analysis was performed using an Agilent 1100 series chromatograph equipped with Agilent 1100 series DAD (wavelength 254±4 nm was used for detection), Sedex 75 ELSD and Agilent LC/MSD VL mass spectrometer (ionization in ESI mode). IR spectra were recorded on FTIR Affinity – 1S SHIMADZU instrument in the range of 400 and 4000 cm⁻¹. ¹H & ¹³C-NMR spectra were recorded on the Bruker Avance Neo 600 spectrometer (600 and 125 MHz, respectively) in CDCl₃ at 25 °C with TMS used as internal standard.

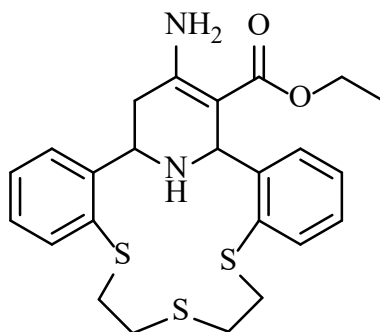
3. Spectral data analysis of the synthesized compounds 3a-e

3.1. Spectral data analysis compound 3a



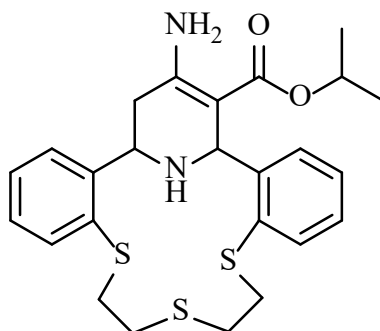
Yield 42 %, white crystals, M.p. 192-194 °C, R_f = 0.52 (H/E 3/1). IR (KBr), ν_{max}, cm⁻¹: 3299 & 3252(NH₂); 1633 (C=O); 1296 (C-O). ¹H-NMR ([D₁] CDCl₃, 298 K) δ_H (ppm): 2.20-2.23 (4H, m, 2x SCH₂), 2.37-2.40 (1H, m, CH₂tetrahydropyridine), 2.51-2.54 (4H, m, 2x SCH₂), 2.63-2.72 (2H, m, 2xCH₂tetrahydropyridine), 3.47 (3H, s, CH₃), 3.52- 3.56 (1H, m, CH₂tetrahydropyridine), 4.59 (1H, s, NH), 5.85 (1H, s, NH-H), 5.92 (1H, s, NH-H), 7.24-7.25 (2H, m, H_{Ar}), 7.36 (1H, t.d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1.8 Hz; H_{Ar}), 7.415-7.436 (2H, m, H_{Ar}), 7.49 (1H, d.d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, *J* = 1.2 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.59 (2H, d.d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1.2 Hz, H_{Ar}). ¹³C-NMR, CDCl₃: δ_C (ppm): 167.58 (-C=O ester), 152.65, 146.87, 144.08, 137.16, 136.74, 132.35, 131.55, 129.69, 129.50, 128.99, 128.26, 127.13, 126.55, 95.34, 61.17, 53.39, 50.45, 35.95, 32.64, 31.38, 30.60, 29.01, 28.22, 27.69, 22.97, 21.47, 14.03, 11.10. HRMS (ESI, M + H), m/z Calc. for [C₂₃H₂₇N₂O₂S₃]⁺: 459.1235 [M+H]⁺. Found: 459.1462 [M+H]⁺.

3.2. Spectral data analysis compound 3b



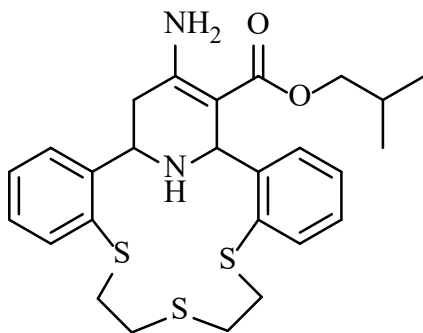
Yield 36 %, white crystals, M.p. 198-200 °C (R_f = 0.48, H/E 3/1). IR (KBr), $\nu_{\max}$, cm^{-1} : 3336 (NH_2); 1671 (C=O); 1243 (C-O). $^1\text{H-NMR}$ ([D1] CDCl_3 , 298 K) δ_{H} ppm: 0.94 (3H, d, J = 7.2 Hz, CH_3), 2.12-2.17 (2H, m, SCH_2), 2.219-2.22 (1H, m, $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 2.398-2.42 (1H, m, $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 2.419-2.510 (4H, m, $2 \times \text{SCH}_2$), 2.61-2.69 (2H, m, SCH_2), 3.55 (1H, d.d, J = 10.5 Hz, $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 3.9 (2H, q, J = 7.1 Hz, $-\text{CH}_2(\text{CH}_3)$), 4.58 (1H, s, $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 5.89 (1H, s, NH-H), 5.94 (1H, s, NH-H), 7.22-7.268 (2H, m, H_{Ar}), 7.36 (1H, t.d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1.2 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.05-7.46 (2H, m, H_{Ar}), 7.06 (1H, d, J = 7.2 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.573-7.596 (2H, m, H_{Ar}). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$, CDCl_3 : δ_{C} ppm: 167.07 ($-\text{C=O}$ ester), 137.38, 136.98, 131.46, 129.76, 129.57, 128.95, 128.40, 127.02, 126.53, 122.76, 61.15, 58.69, 53.45, 32.65, 31.27, 30.92, 28.11, 27.58, 21.24, 14.12. HRMS (ESI, $\text{M}+\text{H}$), m/z Calc. for $[\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}_3]^+$: 473.1391 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$. Found: 473.1380 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$.

3.3. Spectral data analysis compound 3c



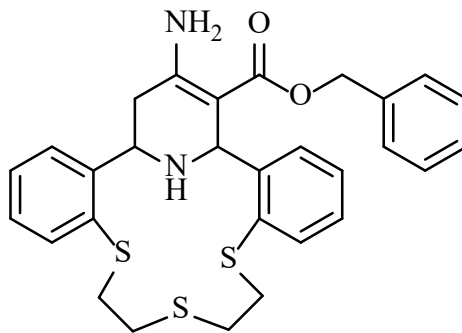
Yield 35 %, white crystals, M.p. 201-203 °C (R_f = 0.45, H/E 3/1). IR (KBr), $\nu_{\max}$, cm^{-1} : 3327 (NH_2); 1658 (C=O); 1246 (C-O). $^1\text{H-NMR}$ ([D1] CDCl_3 , 298 K) δ_{H} ppm: 0.66 (3H, d, J = 6 Hz, CH_3), 1.115 (3H, d, J = 6 Hz, CH_3), 2.13-2.24 (2H, m, SCH_2), 2.194-2.248 (1H, m, $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 2.48-2.51 (5H, m, $2 \times \text{SCH}_2$ and $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 2.59- 2.67 (3H, m, SCH_2 and $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 3.57 (1H, s, $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 4.77 (1H, q, J = 12.6 Hz, 6 Hz, $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$), 5.91 (2H, d, J = 14 Hz, NH_2), 7.216-7.259 (2H, m, H_{Ar}), 7.35 (1H, t.d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1.2 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.414-7.508 (3H, m, H_{Ar}), 7.566-7.580 (2H, m, H_{Ar}). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$, CDCl_3 : δ_{C} ppm: 166.51 ($-\text{C=O}$ ester), 152.27, 147.83, 144.33, 137.47, 137.10, 132.21, 131.39, 129.79, 129.62, 128.91, 126.90, 126.49, 96.49, 65.52, 61.11, 53.53, 32.64, 31.17, 30.91, 29.71, 28.02, 27.50, 22.15, 21.40, 21.05. HRMS (ESI, $\text{M}+\text{H}$), m/z Calc. for $[\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}_3]^+$: 487.1548 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$. Found: 487.1520 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$.

3.4. Spectral data analysis compound 3d



Yield 37 %, white crystals, M.p. 222-224 °C (R_f = 0.41, H/E 3/1). IR (KBr), $\nu_{\max}$, cm^{-1} : 3273 (NH_2); 1654 (C=O); 1246 (C-O). ^1H -NMR ([D1] CDCl_3 , 298 K) δ_{H} ppm: 0.625 (6H, d, J = 7.2 Hz, $2\times\text{CH}_3$), 1.605-1.63 (1H, m, $\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$), 2.137-2.233 (4H, m, $2\times\text{SCH}_2$), 2.348-2.394 (1H, m, $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 2.479-2.52 (4H, m, $2\times\text{SCH}_2$), 2.62-2.71 (2H, m, $\text{CH}_2(\text{CH})$), 3.57 (1H, ddd, J = 13.2, 10.9, 3.7 Hz, $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 3.61 (1H, dd, J = 10.7, 6.0 Hz, $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 3.70 (1H, dd, J = 10.6, 6.5 Hz, $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 4.588 (1H, s, NH), 5.85 (1H, brs, NH-H), 5.94 (1H, brs, NH-H), 7.24 (1H, d.t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1.2 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.253- 7.268 (2H, m, H_{Ar}), 7.35 (1H, d.t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1.2 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.42 (1H, d.t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1.2 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.45 (1H, d.d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1.2 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.49 (1H, d.d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1.2 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.565- 7.599 (2H, m, H_{Ar}). ^{13}C -NMR, CDCl_3 : δ_{C} ppm: 167.16 (-C=O ester), 152.76, 147.27, 144.11, 137.36, 136.73, 132.18, 131.45, 129.69, 129.64, 128.95, 128.30, 127.05, 126.61, 95.43, 69.25, 61.01, 53.51, 32.56, 31.21, 28.10, 27.74, 27.63, 21.36, 18.98, 18.89. HRMS (ESI, $\text{M}+\text{H}$), m/z Calc. for $[\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{33}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}_3]^+$: 501.1704 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$. Found: 501.1673 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$.

3.5. Spectral data analysis compound 3e



Yield 35 %, white crystals, M.p. 226-228 °C (R_f = 0.39, H/E 3/1). IR (KBr), $\nu_{\max}$, cm^{-1} : 3294 (NH_2); 1654 (C=O); 1246 (C-O). ^1H -NMR ([D1] CDCl_3 , 298 K) δ_{H} ppm: 2.115-2.198 (4H, m, $2\times\text{SCH}_2$), 2.362-2.381 (1H, m, $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 2.459- 2.500 (1H, m, $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 2.257- 2.596 (4H, m, $2\times\text{SCH}_2$), 2.638-2.685 (1H, m, $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 3.547 (1H, m, $\text{CH}_{\text{tetrahydropyridine}}$), 4.656 (1H, s, NH), 4.85 and 4.99 (AB system, 2H, d, J =13 Hz, CH_2Ph), 5.89 (1H, s, NH-H), 5.99 (1H, s, NH-H), 6.88 (2H, d.d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1.8Hz H_{Ar}), 7.169-7.186 (3H, m, H_{Ar}), 7.242- 7.267(2H, m, H_{Ar}), 7.37(1H, t.d, J = 7.2 Hz; 1.2 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.42 (1H, t, J = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.464-7.503 (2H, m, H_{Ar}), 7.569-7.580 (2H, m, H_{Ar}). ^{13}C -NMR, CDCl_3 : δ_{C} ppm: 166.60 (-C=O ester), 153.27, 137.71, 127.03, 139.96, 131.33, 129.79, 129.73, 129.01, 128.49, 128.12, 127.28, 127.12, 126.55, 64.63, 61.08, 53.48, 32.55, 31.21, 20.91, 28.02, 27.53, 27.43, 21.43. HRMS (ESI, $\text{M}+\text{H}$), m/z Calc. for $[\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}_3]^+$: 535.1548 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$. Found: 535.1535 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$.

4. Glucosidase inhibition assay

The standard deviation σ is calculated according to Duncan's formula as follows:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{(\sum x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}}$$

Table S1. Percentage of glucosidase inhibition

N ₀	Entry	Concentration (µg/ml)	Inhibition (%)	IC ₅₀ (µg/ml)	IC ₅₀ (µM)
1	3a	256	0	>256	> 559
		3a	0		
		16	0		
		4	0		
		1	0		
2	3b	256	91	2.42±0.26	5.13 ± 0.55
		64	89		
		16	87.5		
		4	67		
		1	35		
3	3c	256	0	>256	> 526
		64	0		
		16	0		
		4	0		
4	3d	256	32	>256	>512
		64	0		
		16	0		
		4	0		
5	3e	256	88	27.37±1.78	51.20 ± 3.33
		64	79		
		16	41		
		4	31		
		1	4		
6	Acarbose	256	63	156.16 ± 5.43	242.11 ± 8.42
		64	38		
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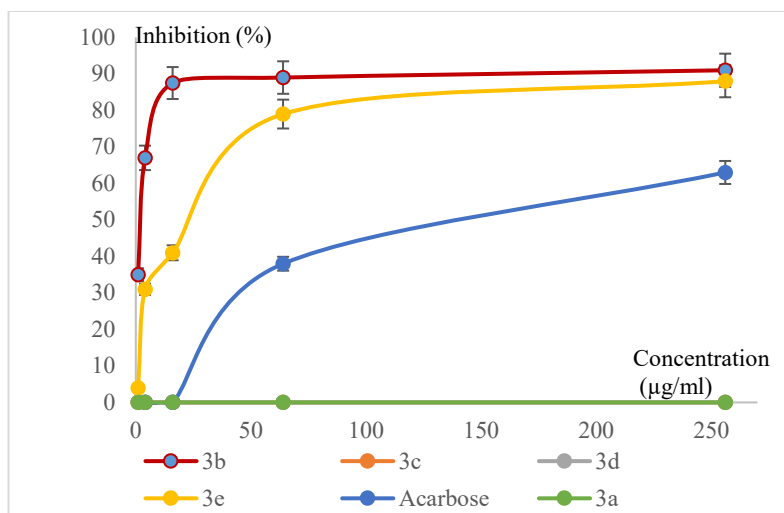


Figure S1. α -glucosidase inhibitory activities of the synthetic compounds **3a-e** and acarbose at five concentrations (256, 64, 16, 4, and 1 $\mu\text{g/ml}$)

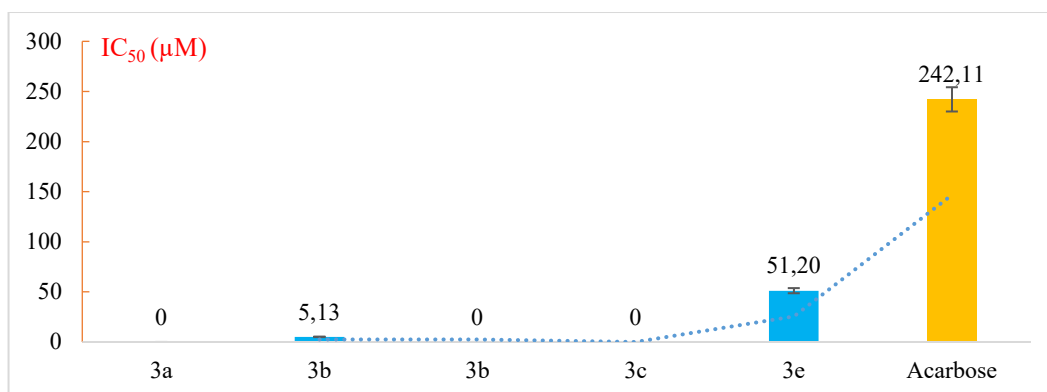
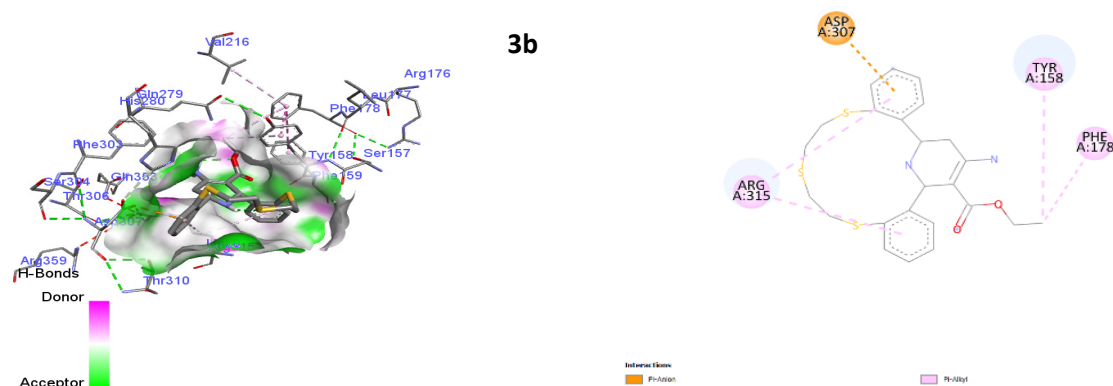


Figure S2. The comparison of IC_{50} values (μM) between the synthesized compounds **3a-e** and Acarbose

5. Docking studies and ADMET prediction



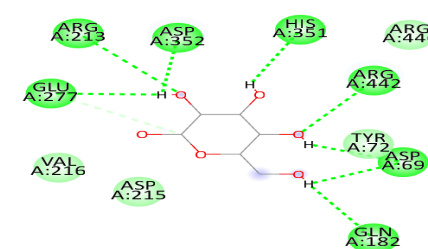
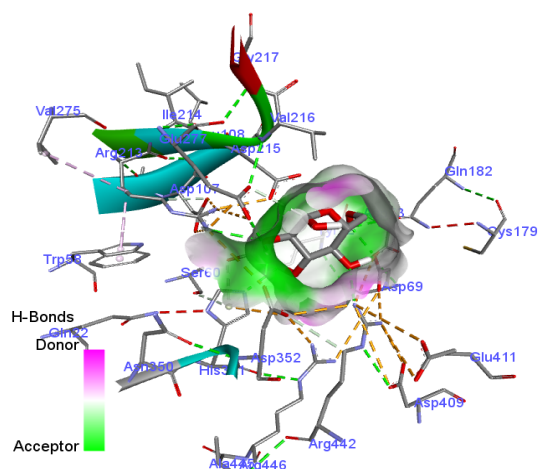
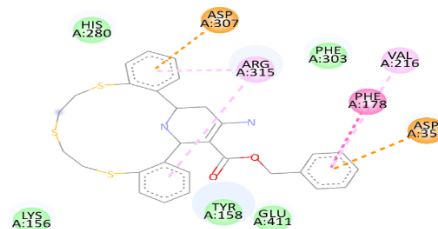
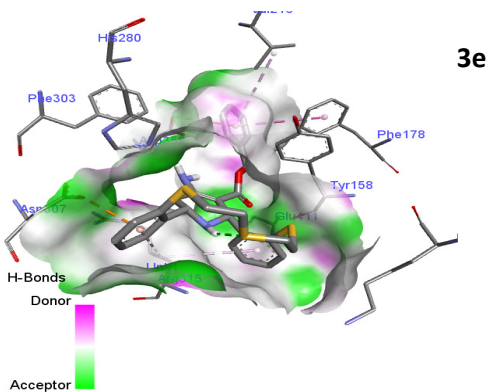


Figure S3. The interactions of the potent inhibitors **3b**, **3e** and co-crystallized ligand docked into the **3A4A**: 3D (left) and 2D (right)

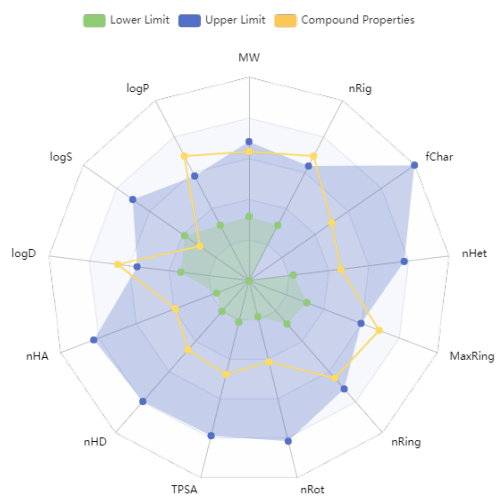
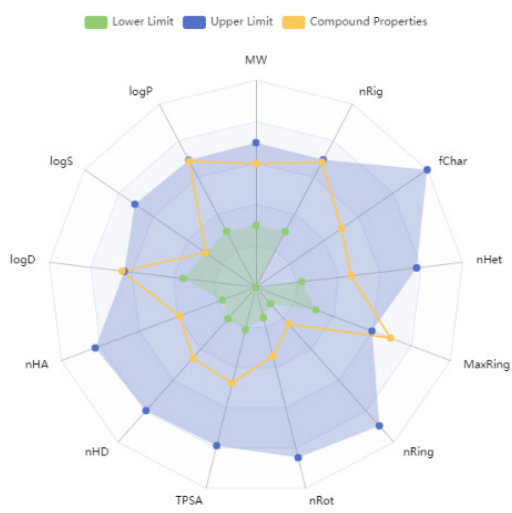
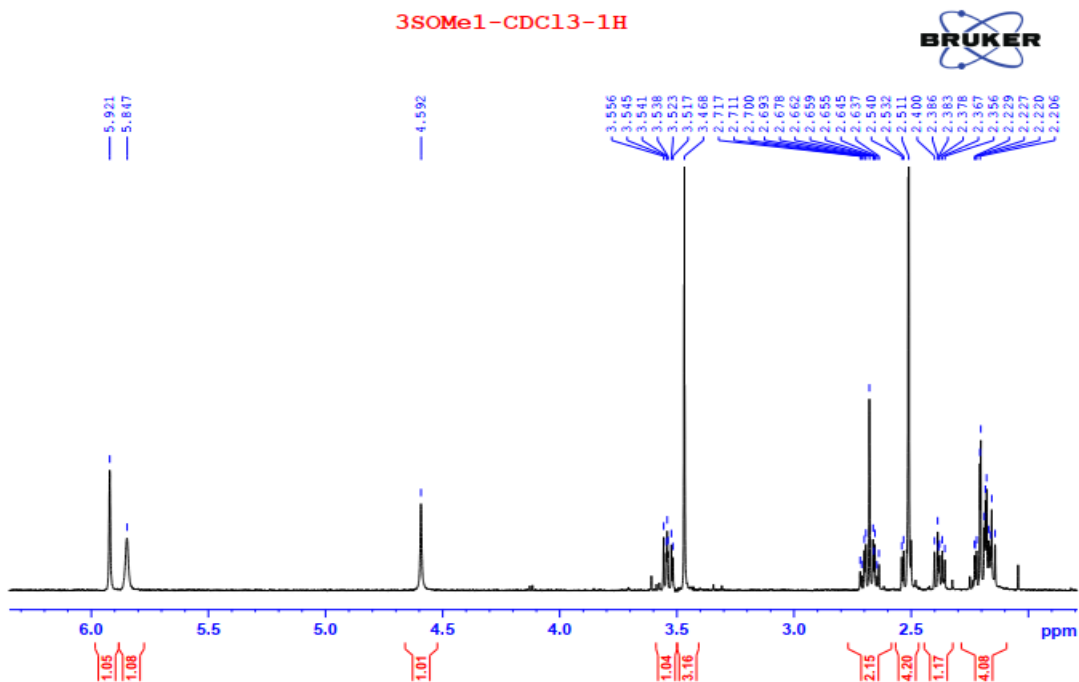
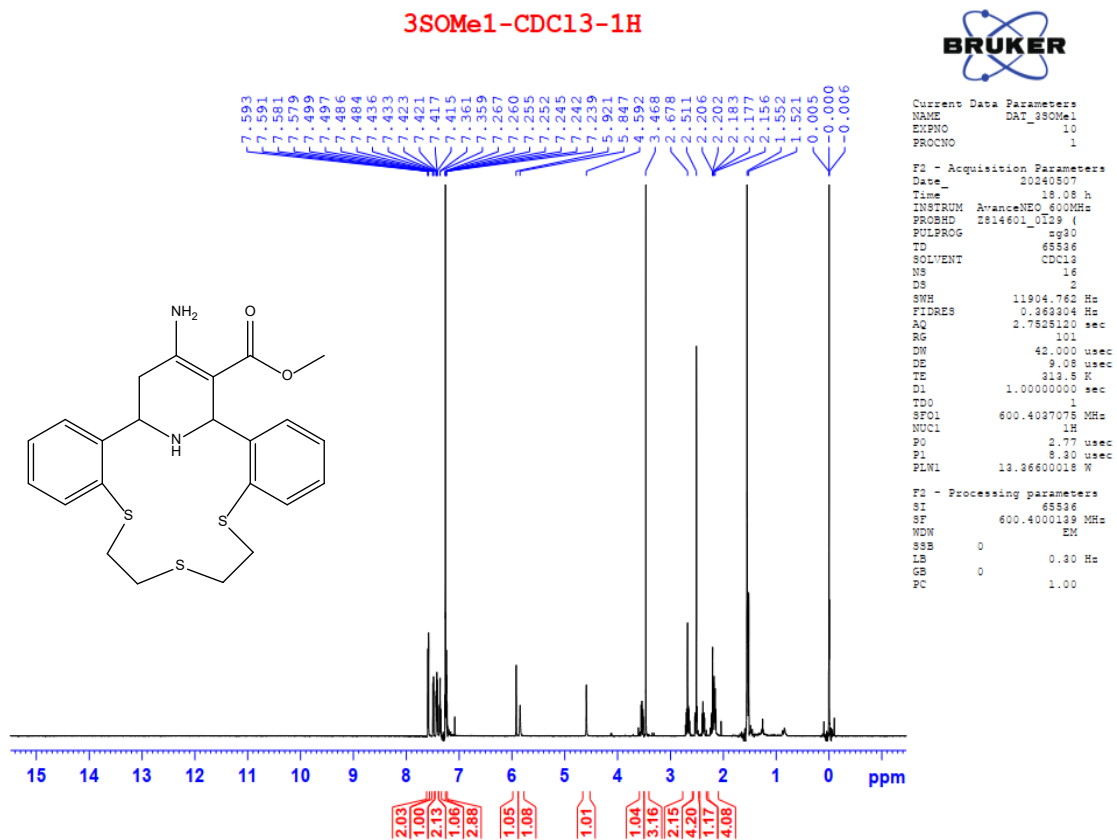


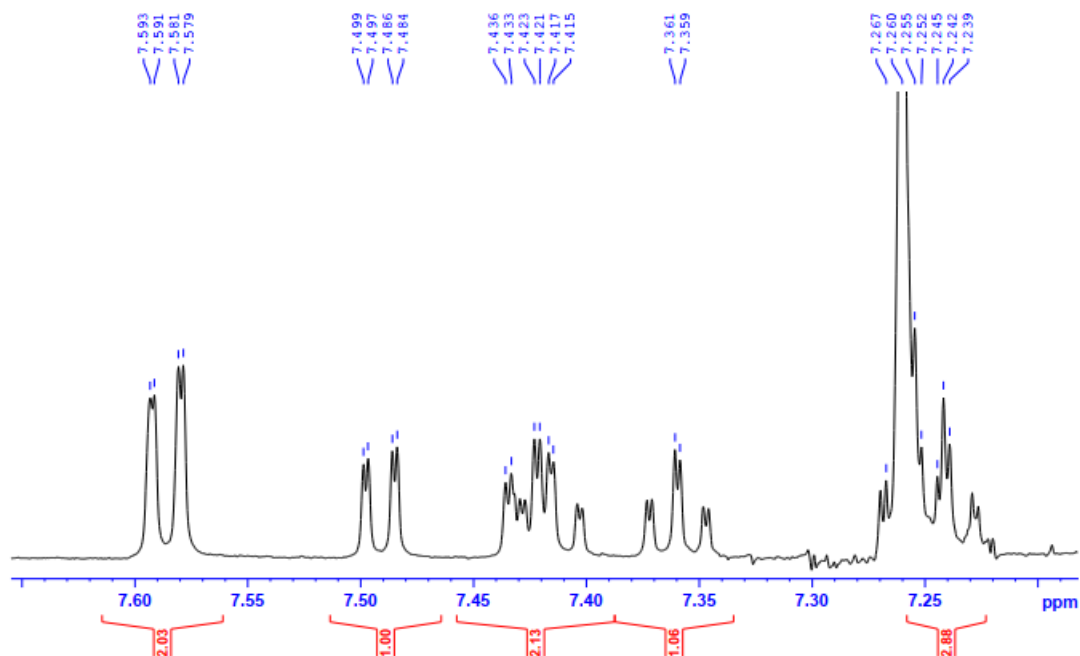
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6. Spectra of synthesized compounds

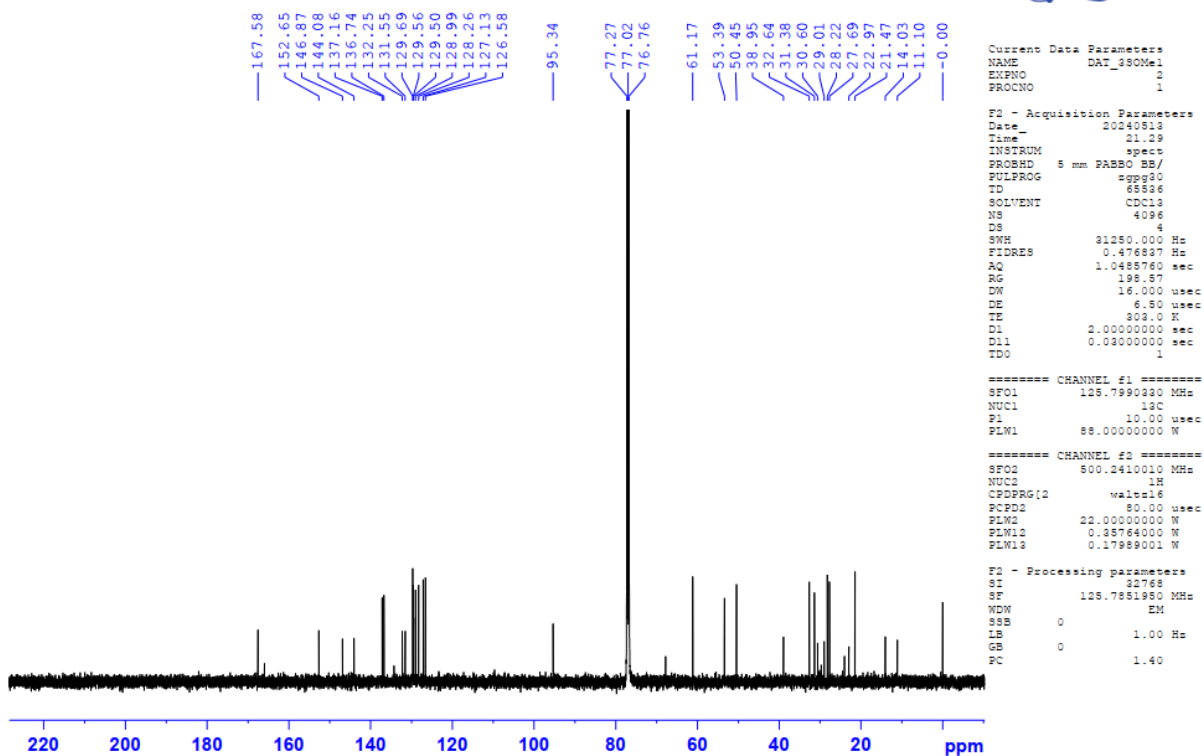
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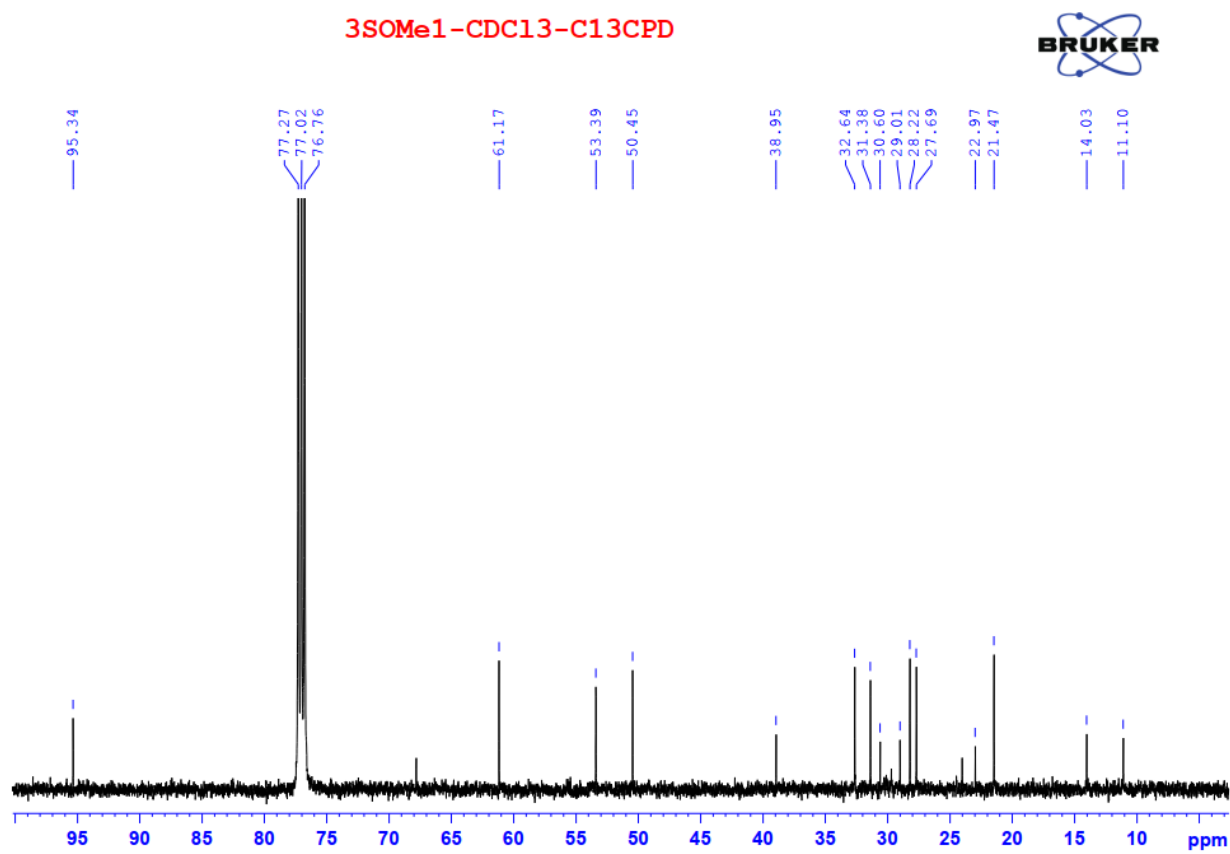
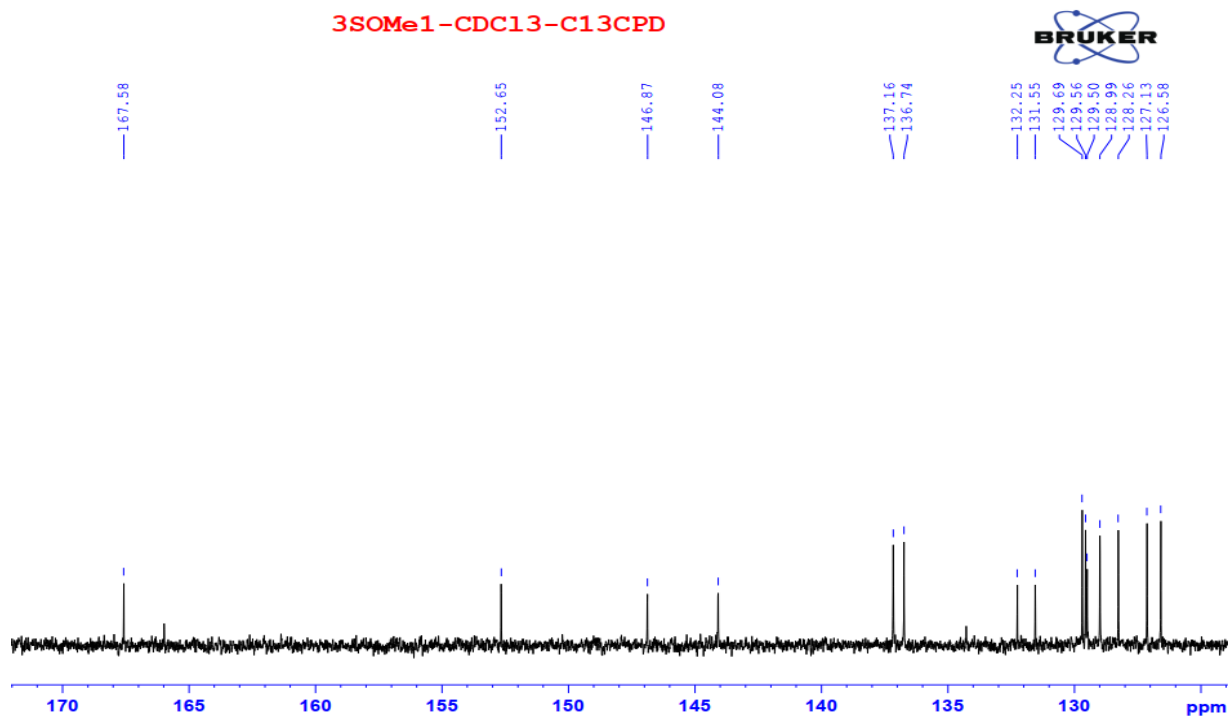


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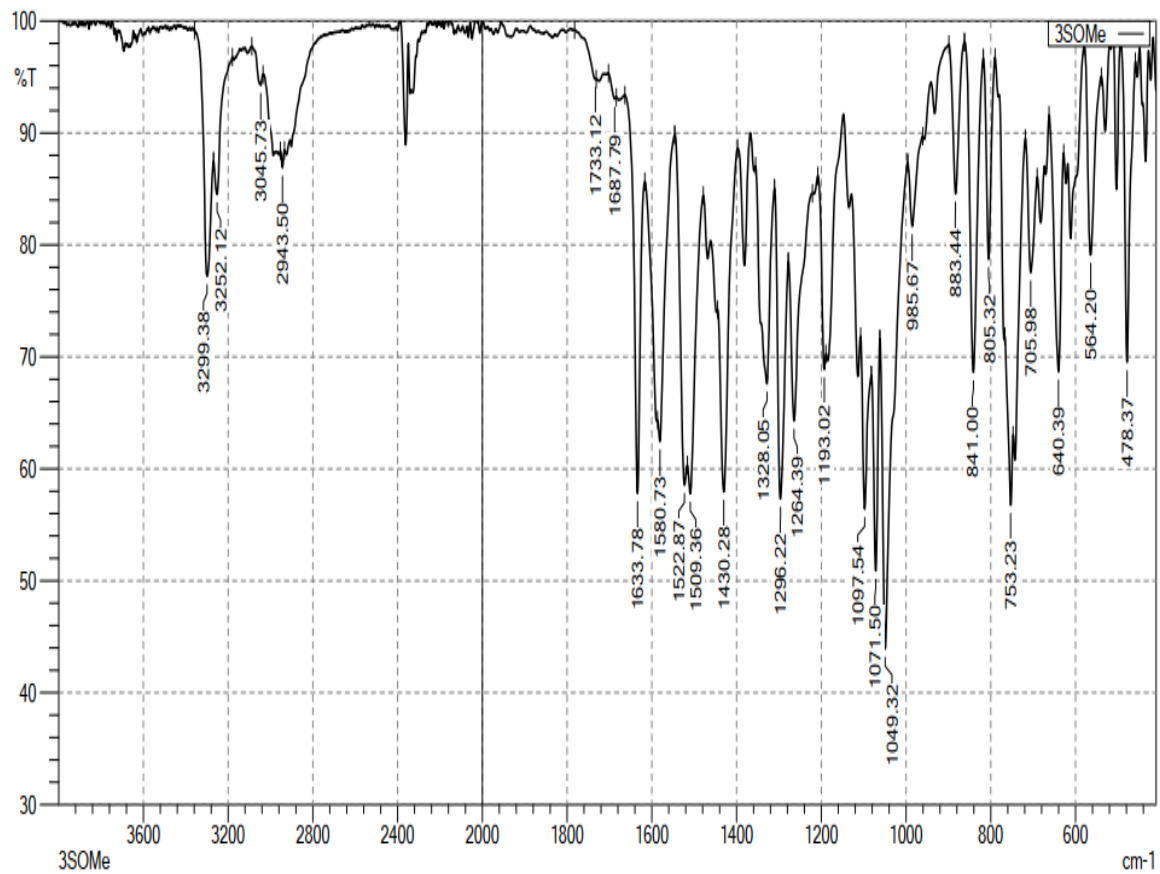
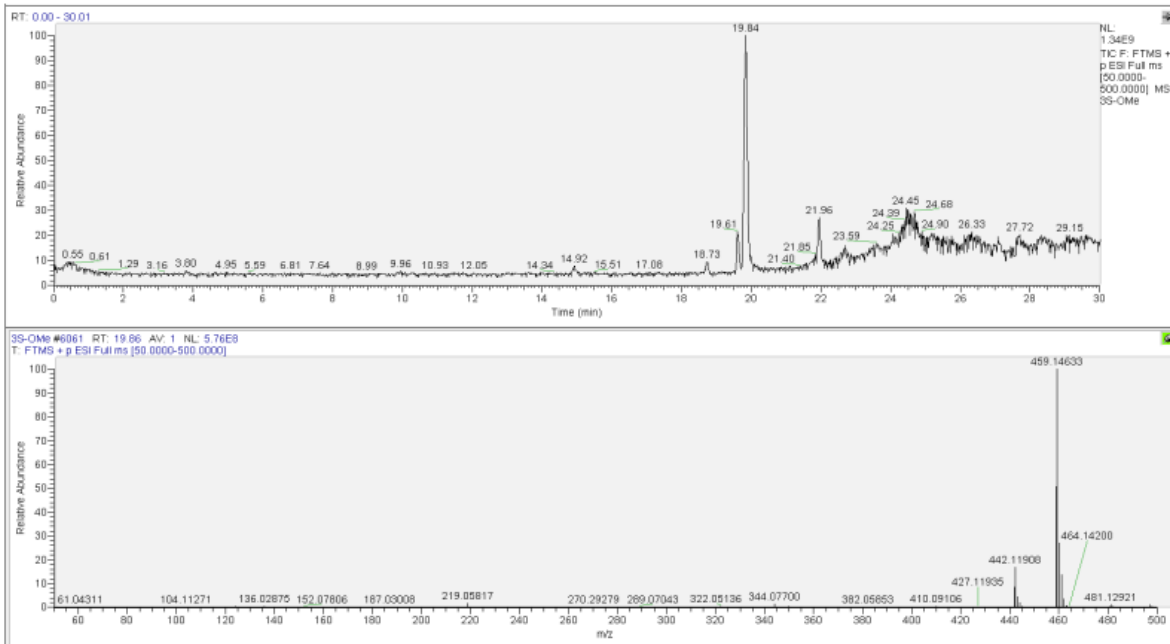


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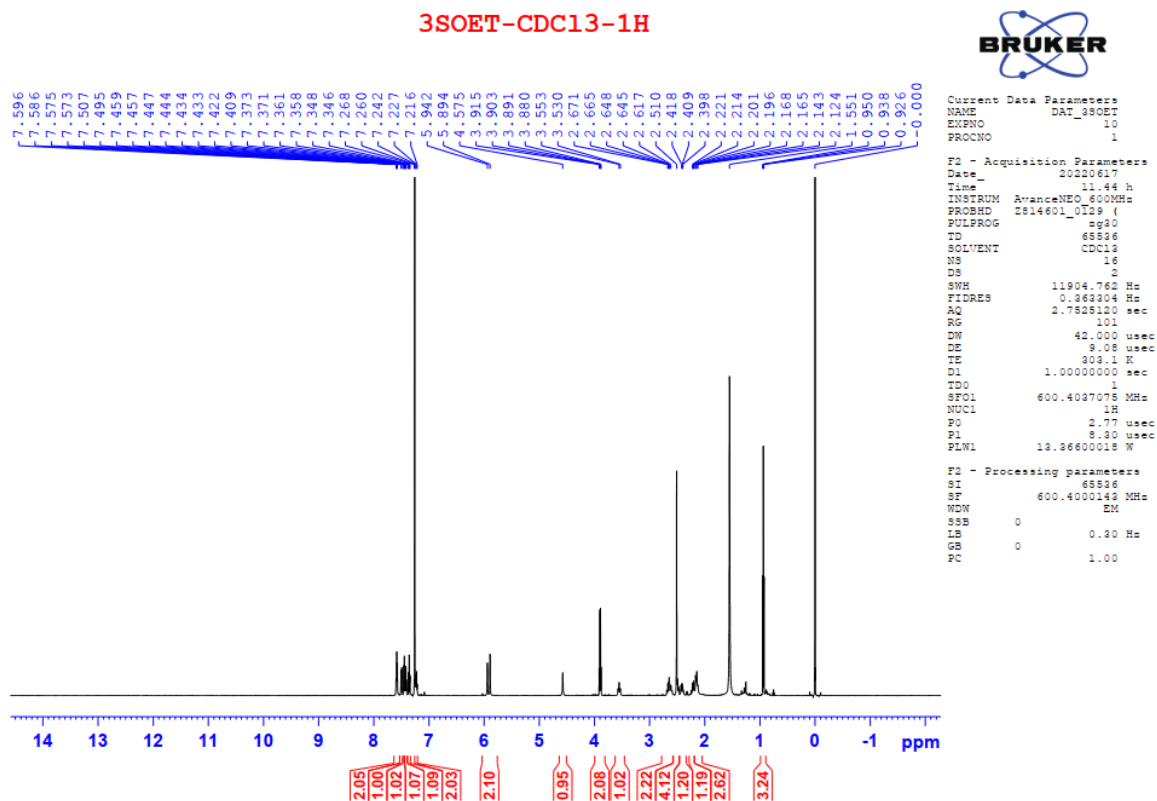
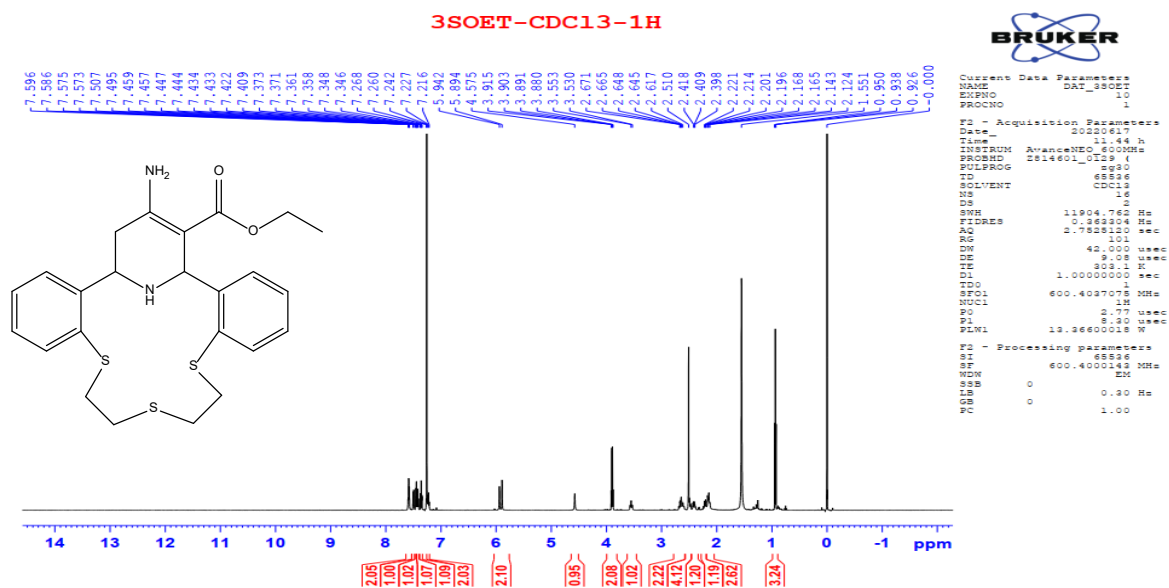




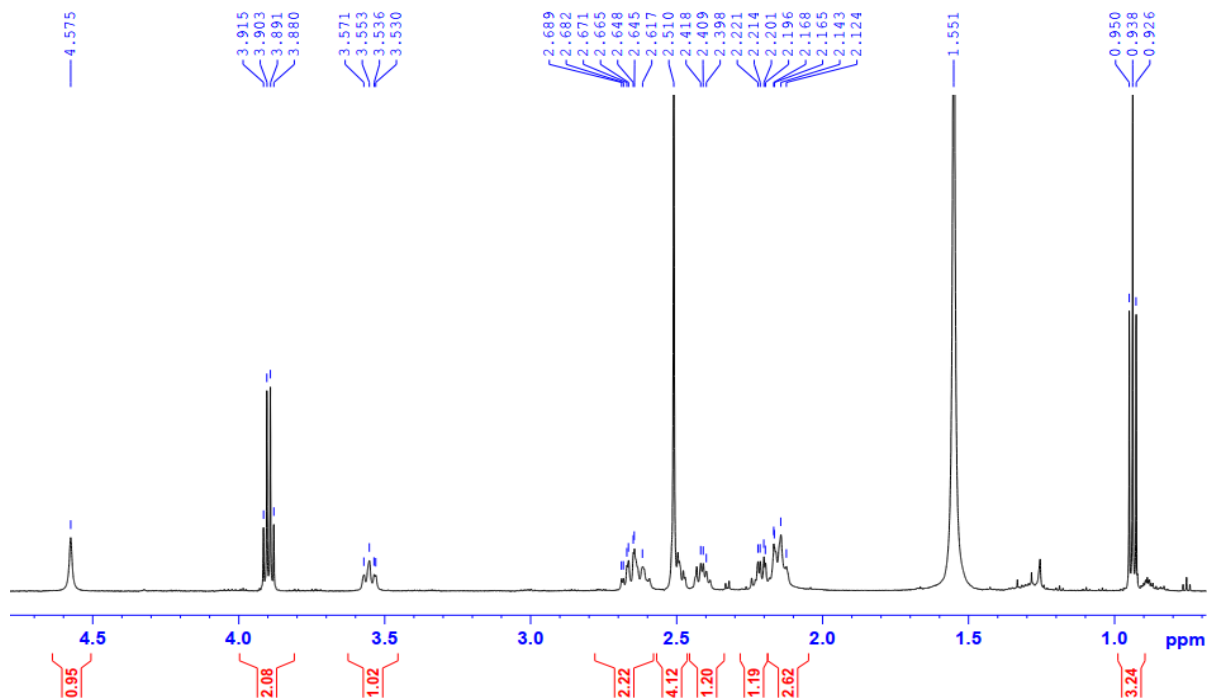
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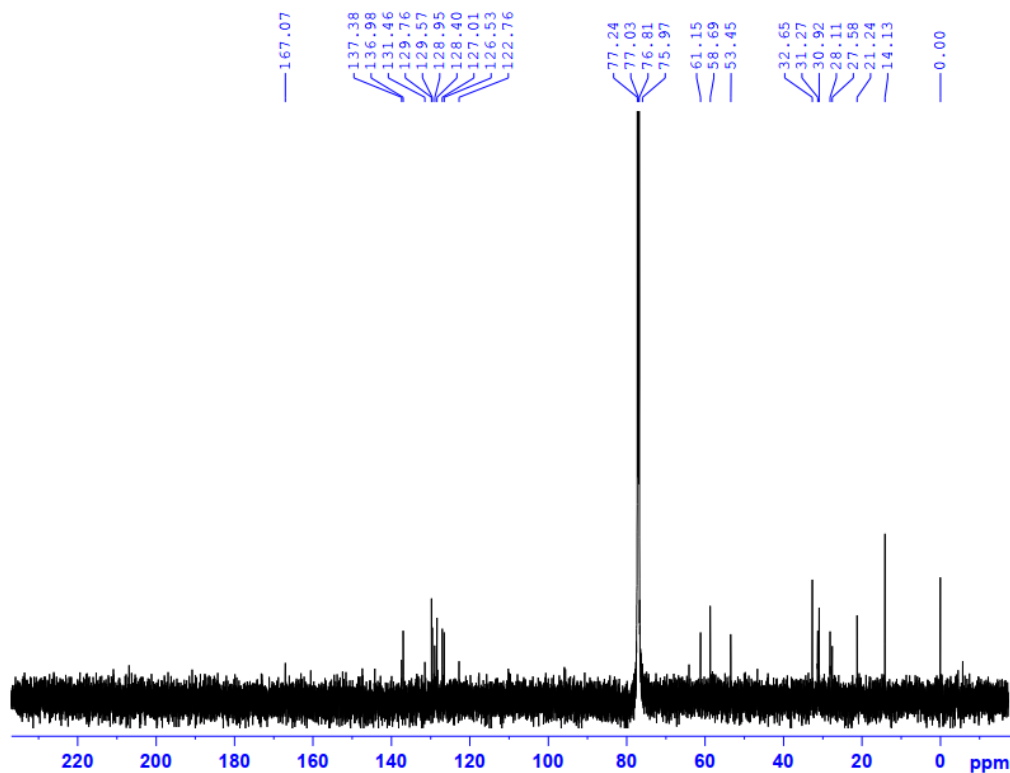
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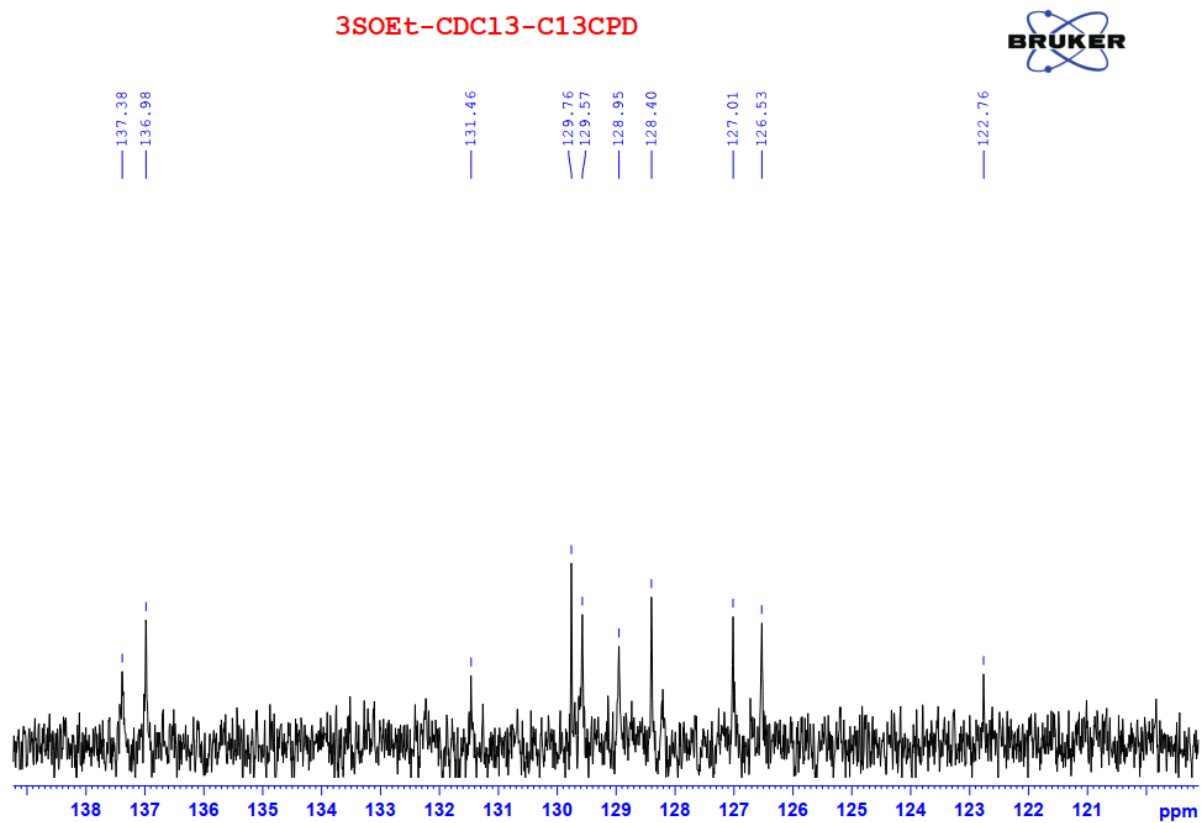
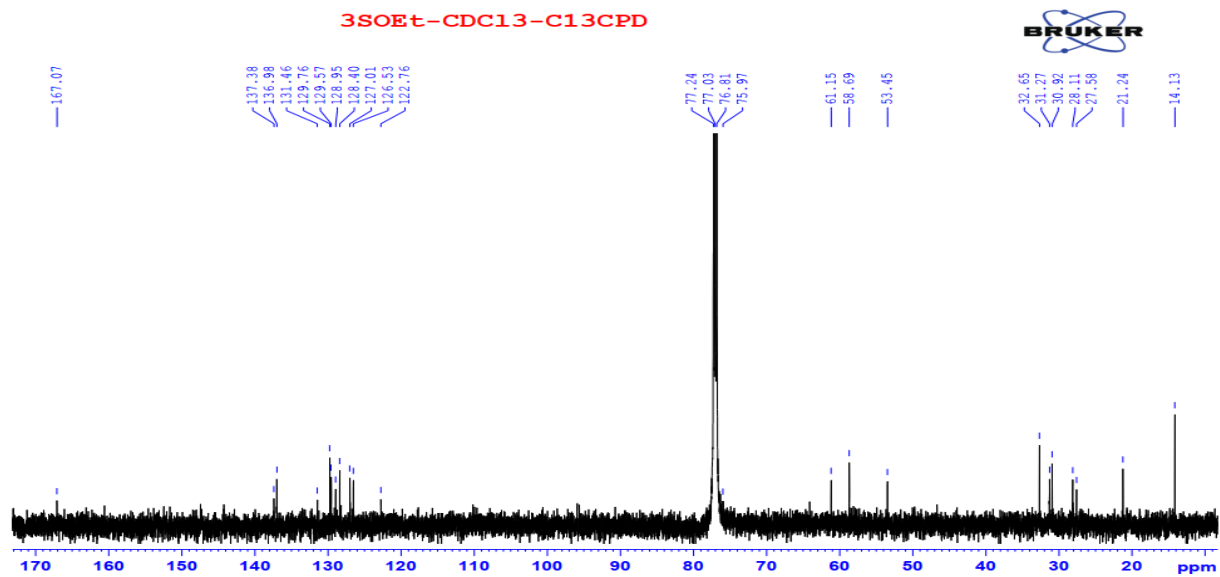
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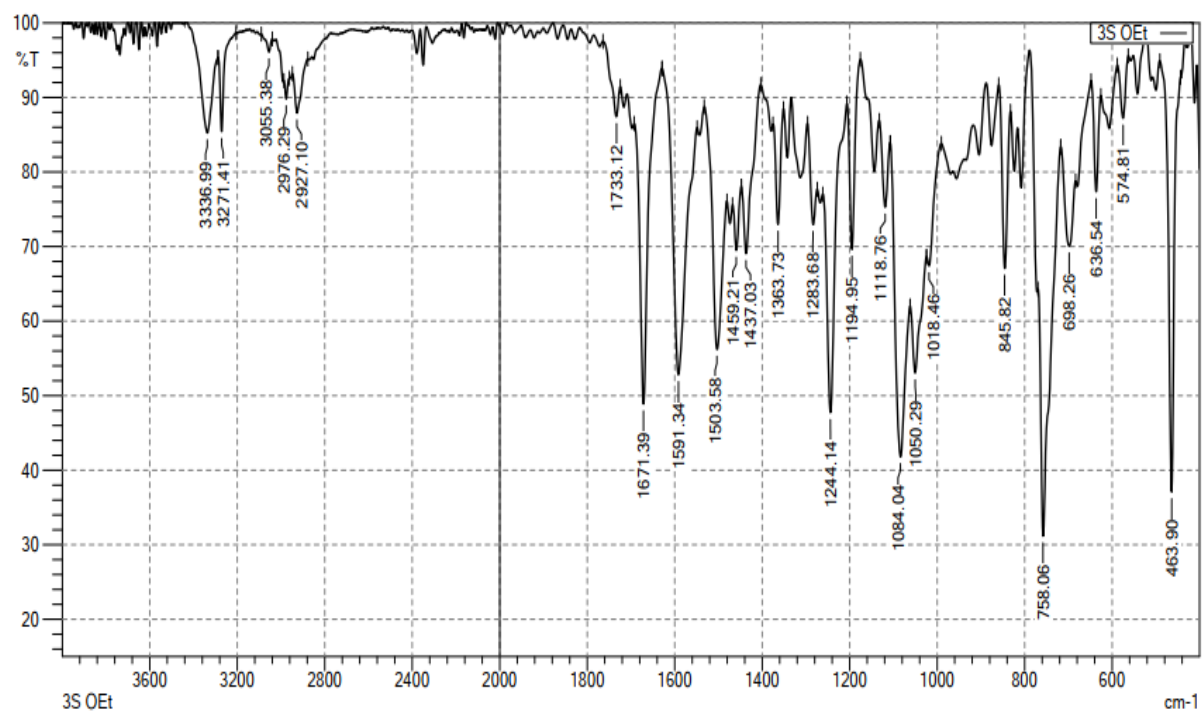
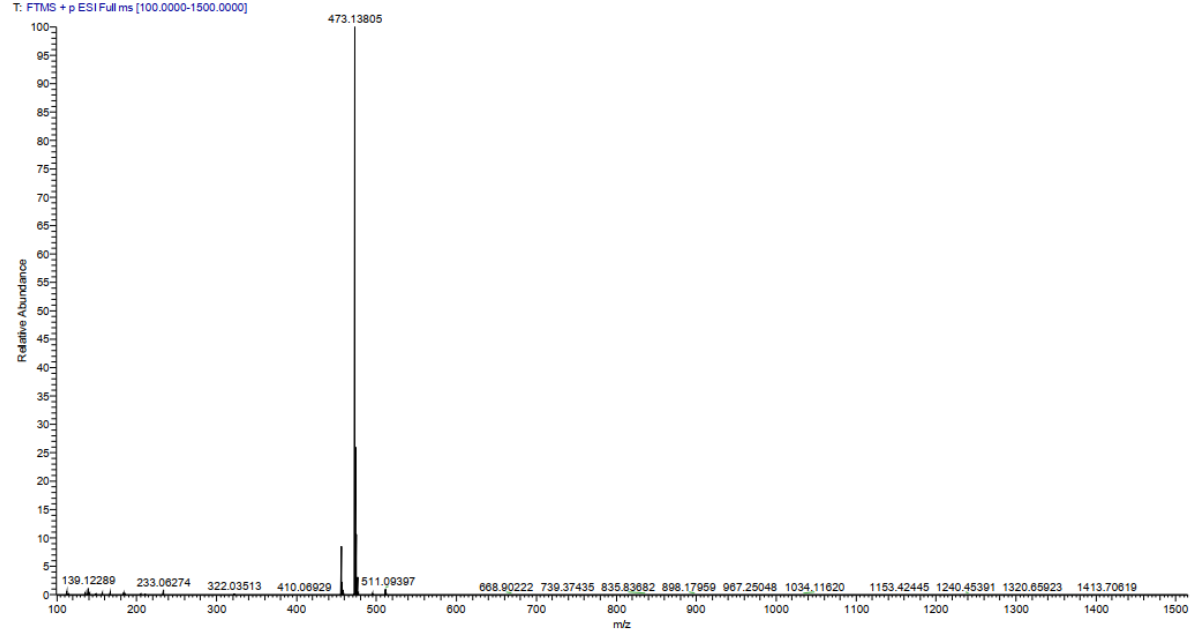
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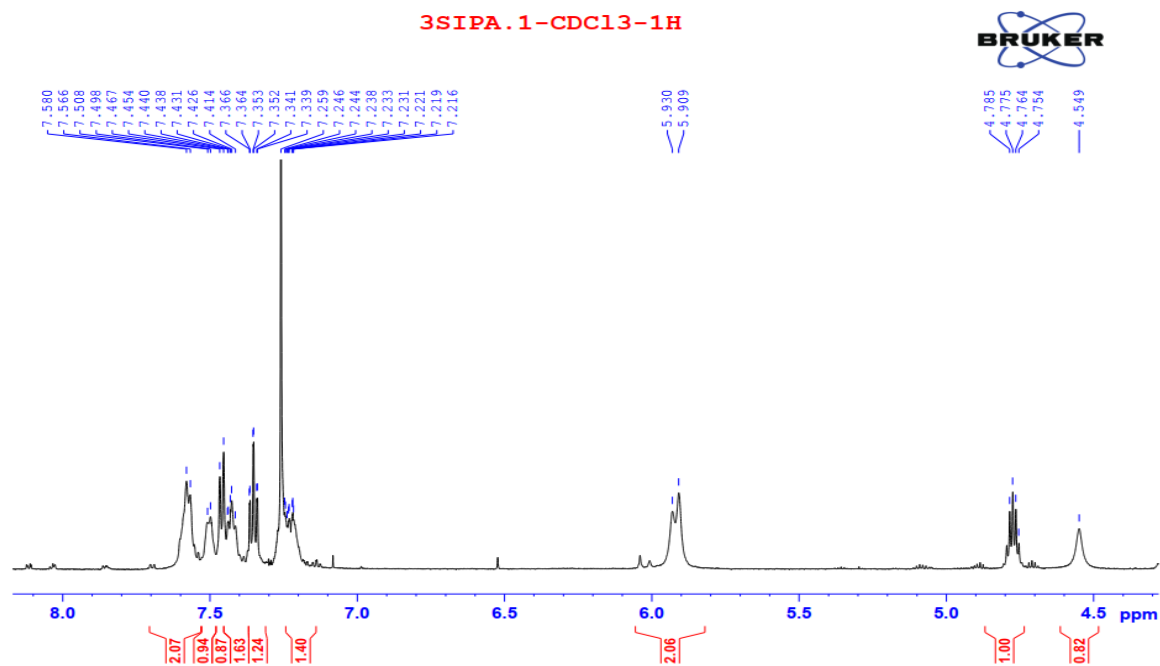
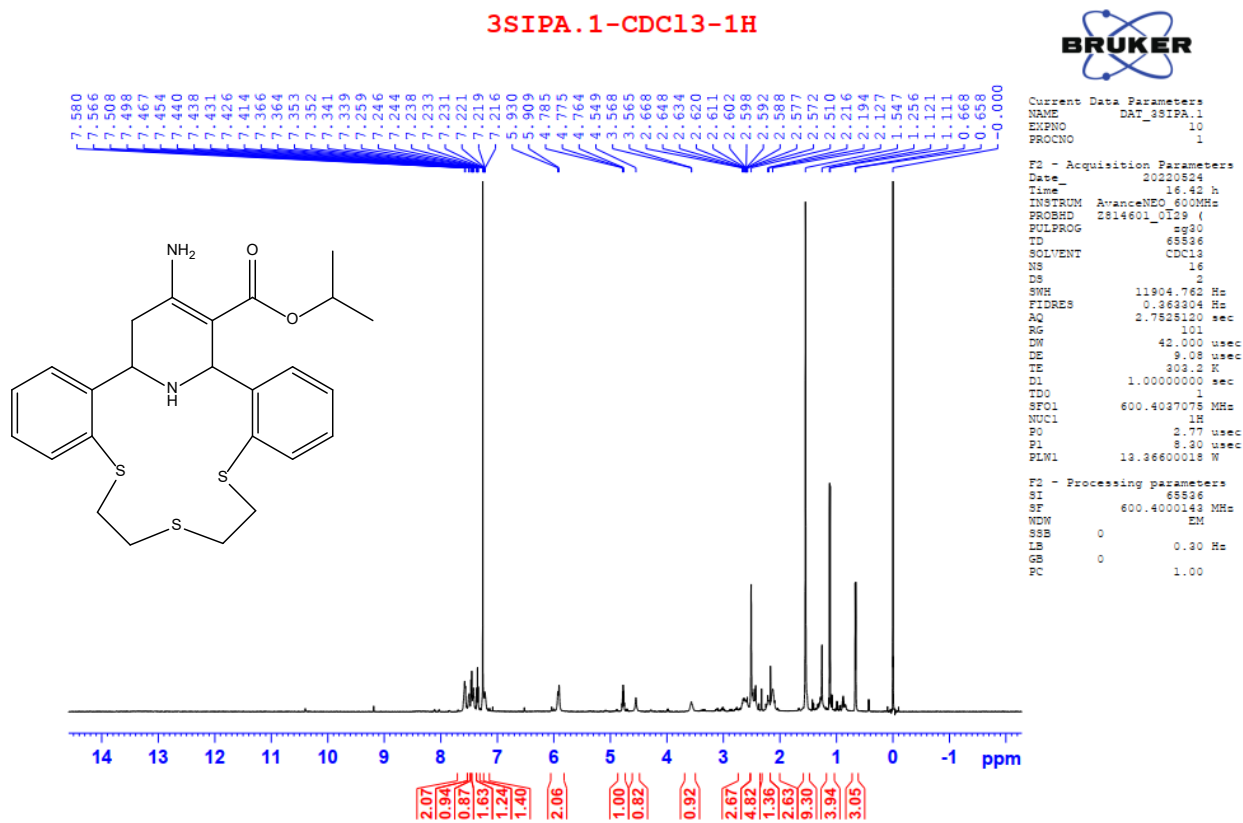
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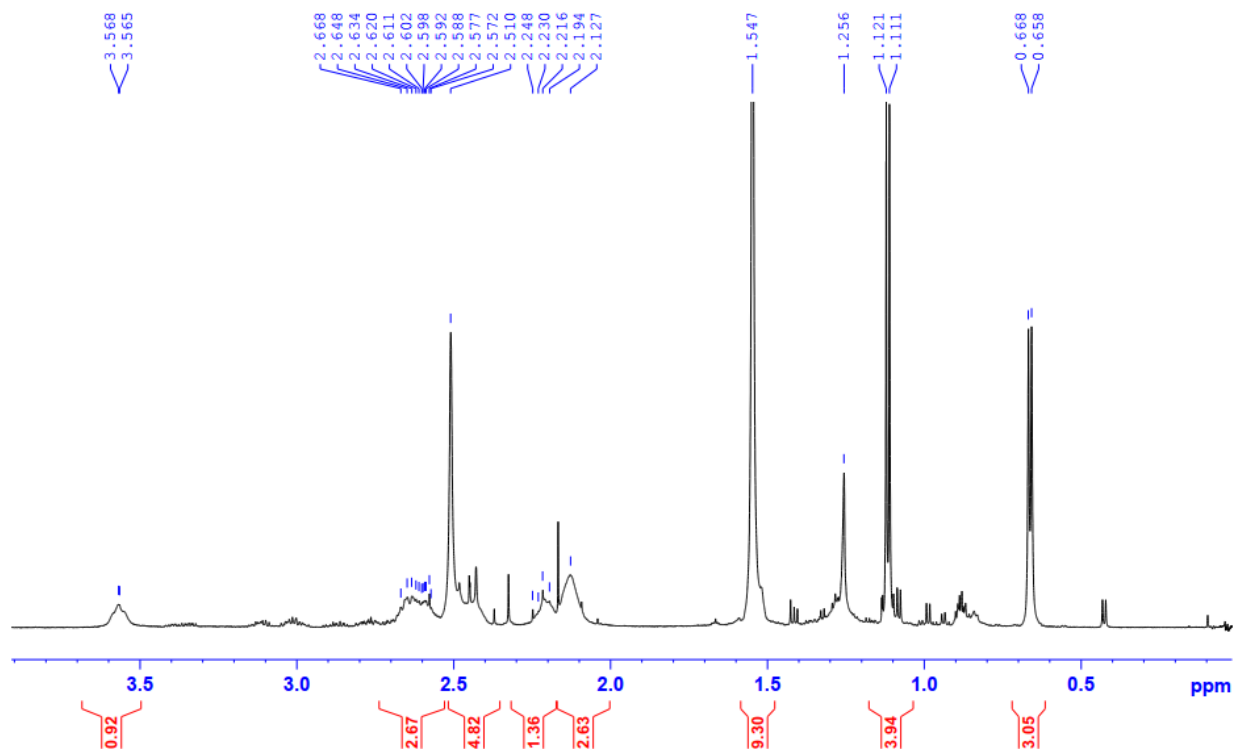
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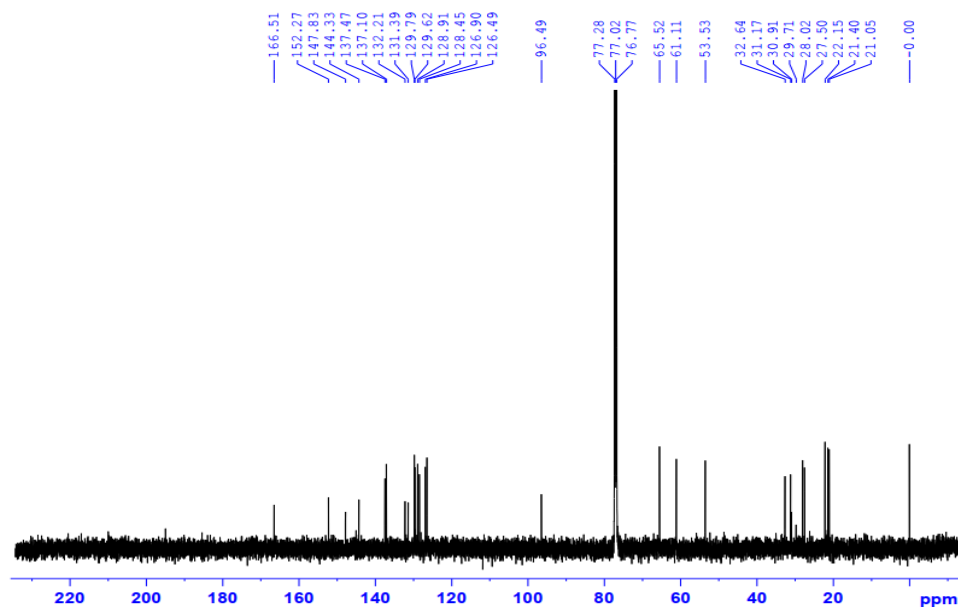
6.3. Spectra of compound 3c



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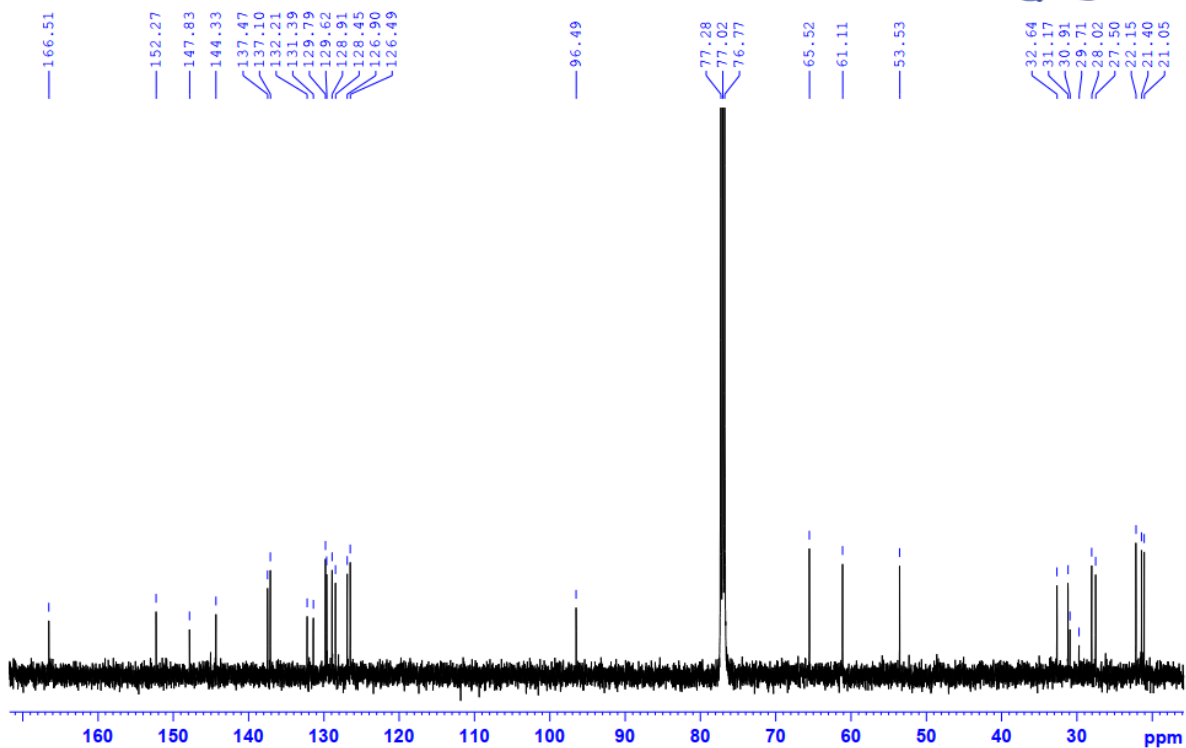
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RG 198.57
DWE 16.000 usec
DE 6.50 usec
TE 303.1 K
DL 2.00000000 sec
D1 0.03000000 sec
TDO 1

***** CHANNEL f1 *****
SF01 125.7990320 MHz
NUC1 13C
P1 10.00 usec
PLN1 88.00000000 W

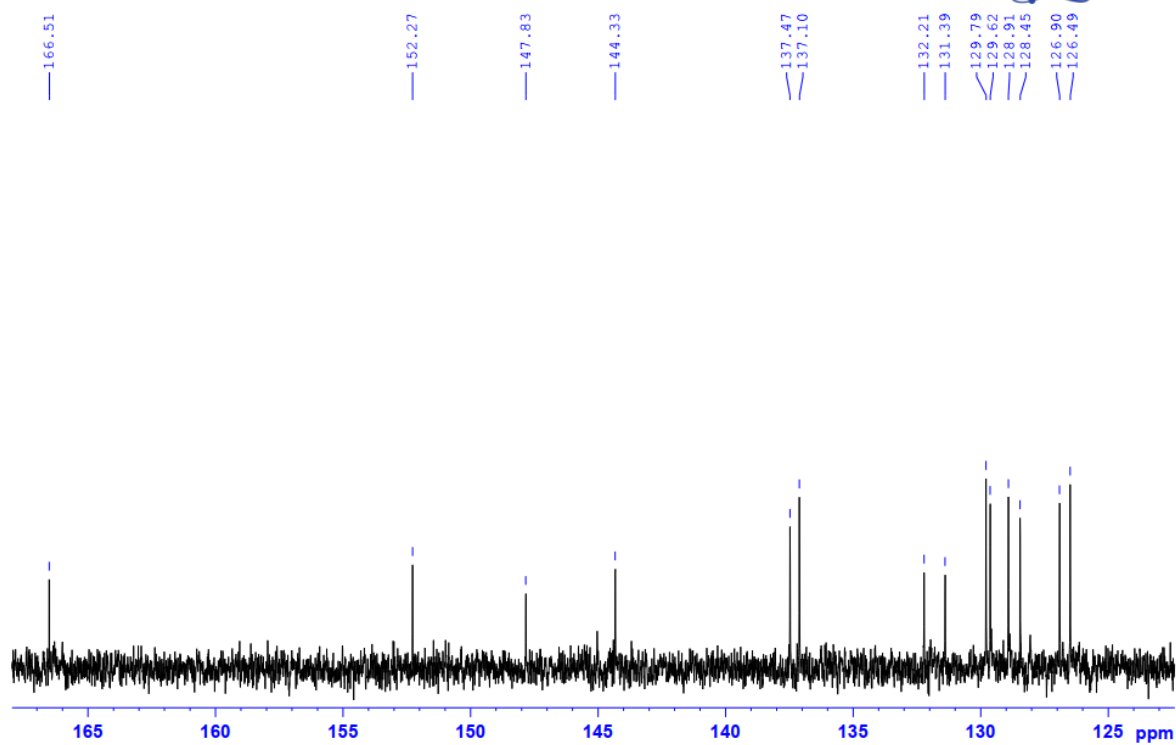
***** CHANNEL f2 *****
SF02 500.2410010 MHz
NUC2 1H
CPDPRG12 waltz16
PCPD2 80.00 usec
PLN2 22.00000000 W
PLN12 0.38764000 W
PLN13 0.17889001 W

F2 - Processing parameters
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SF 125.7851945 MHz
WDW EM
SSB 0
LB 1.00 Hz
GB 0
PC 1.40

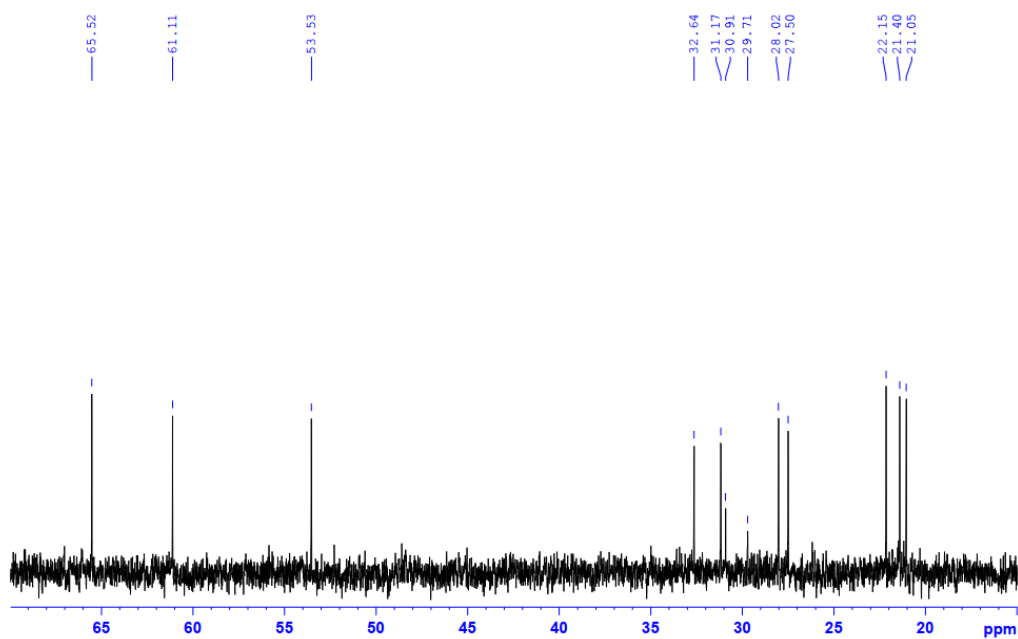
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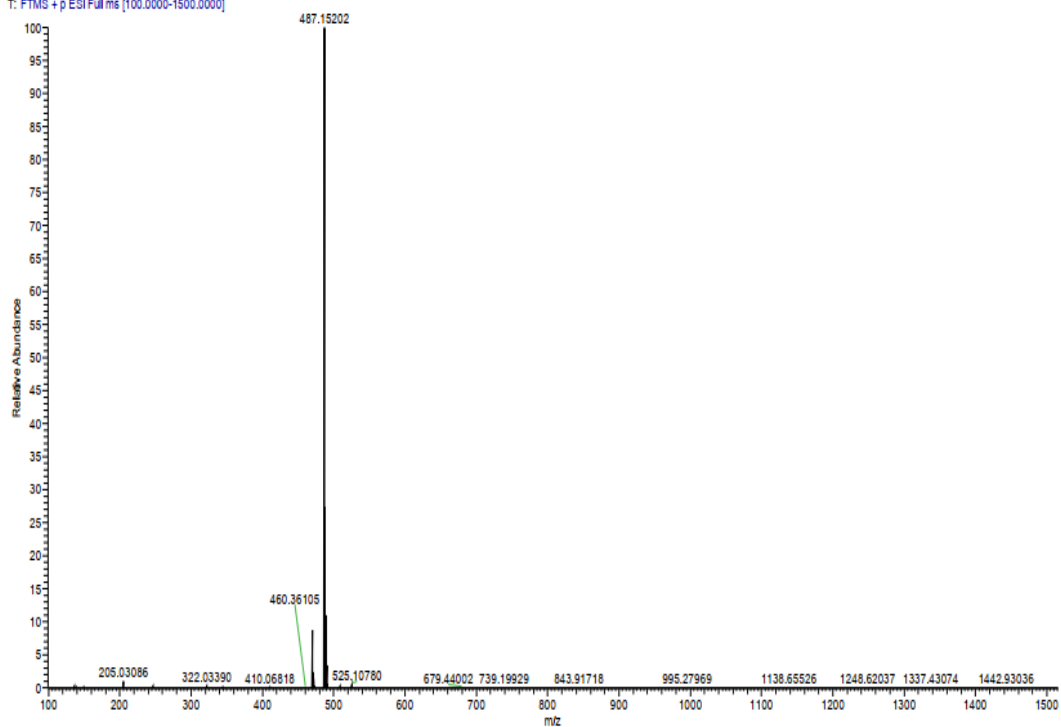
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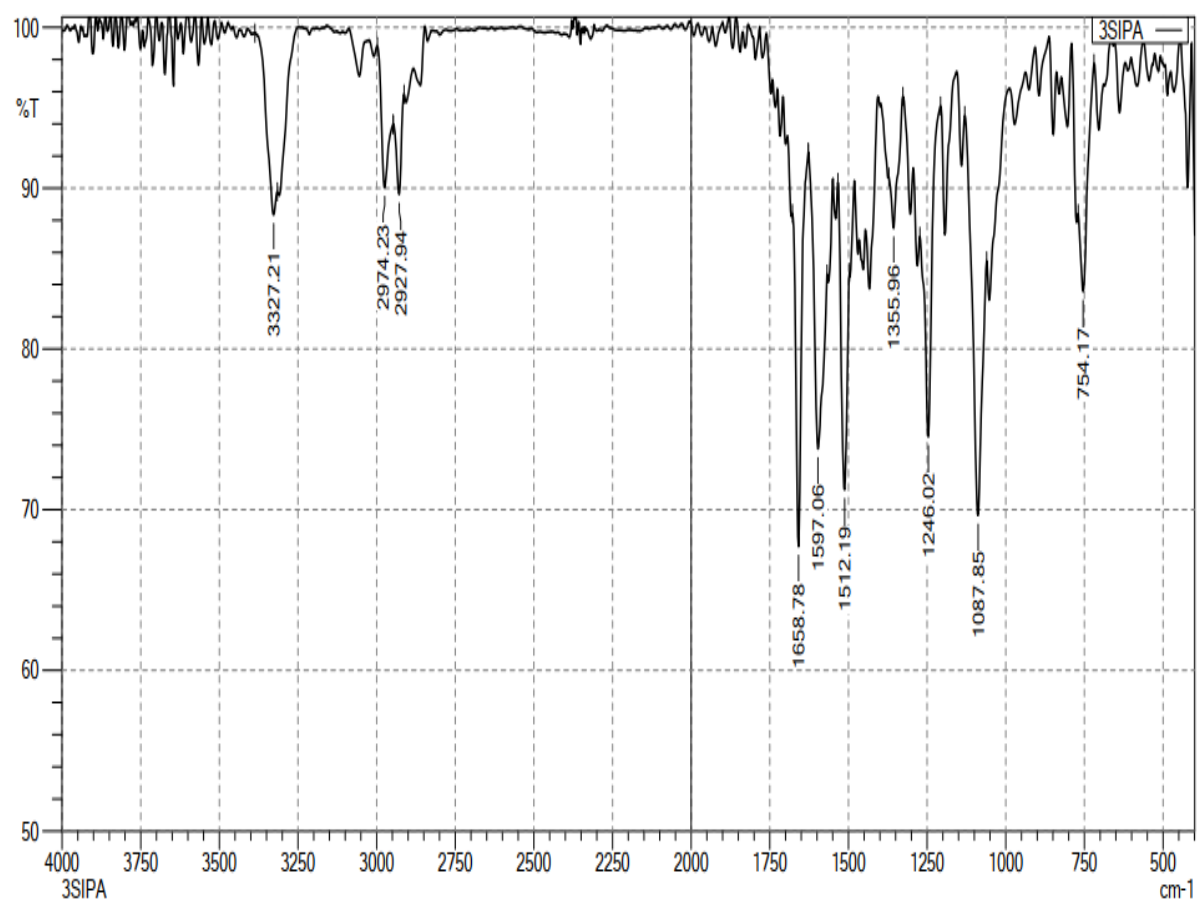


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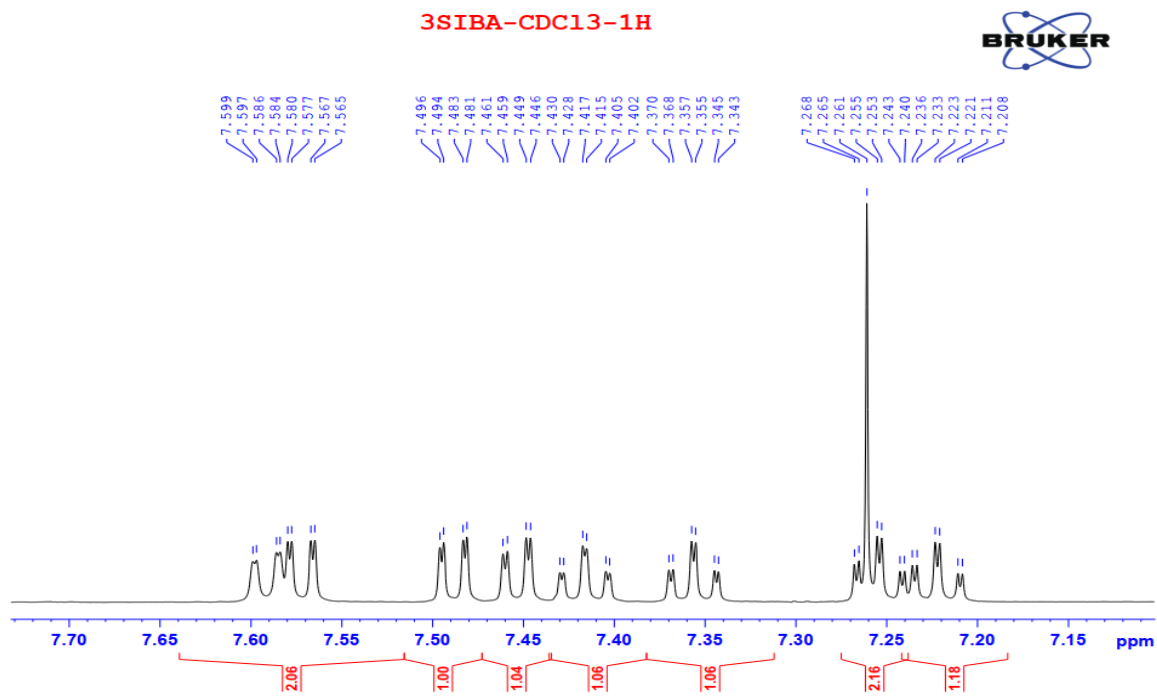
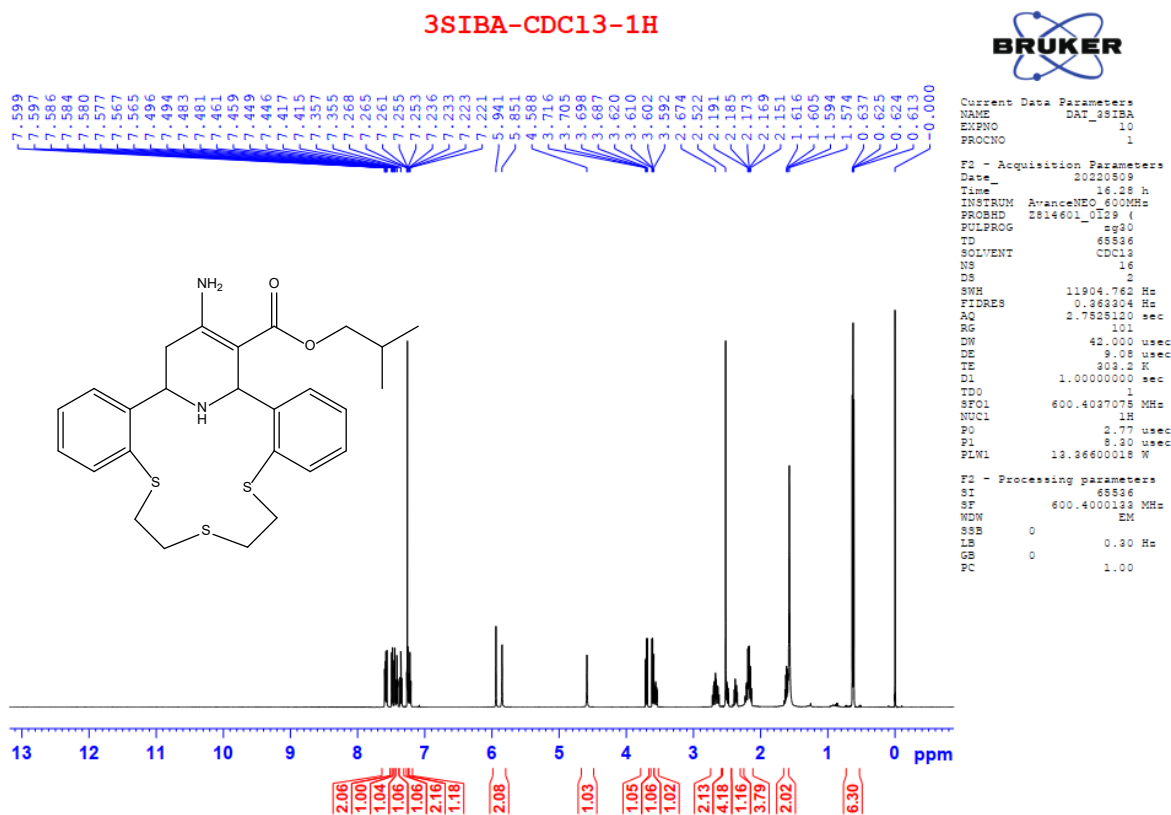


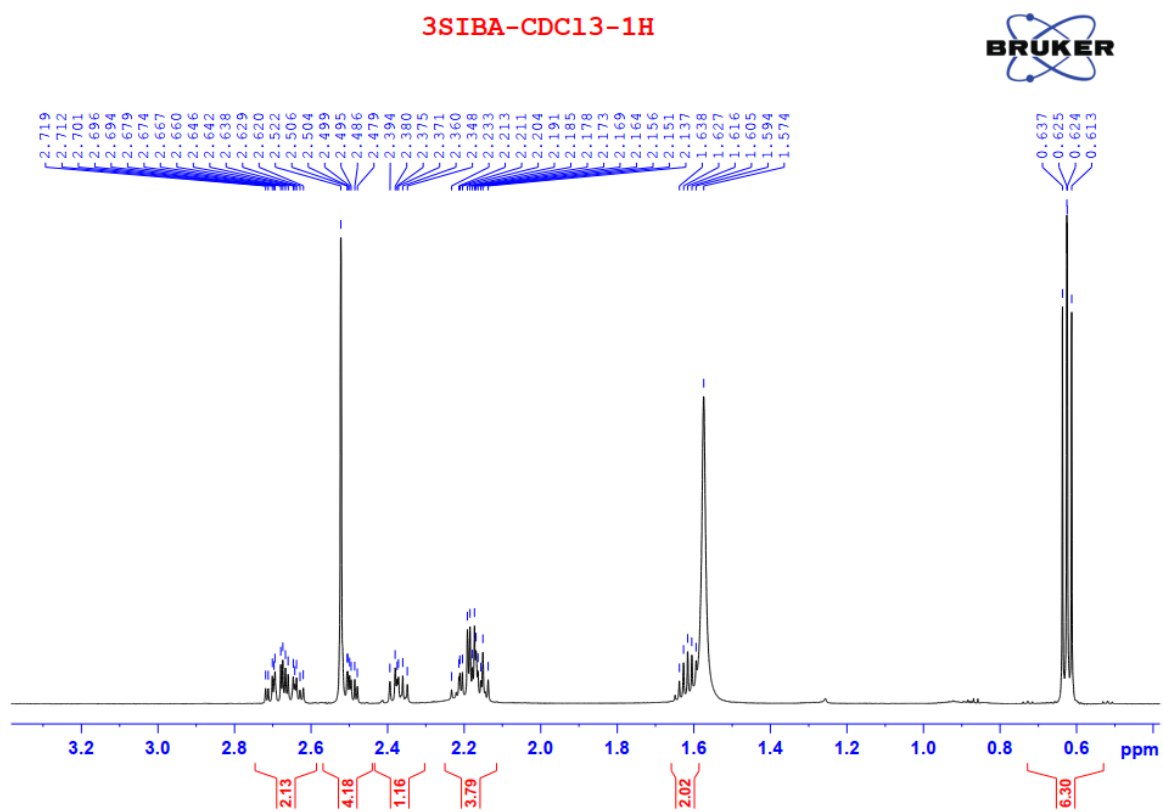
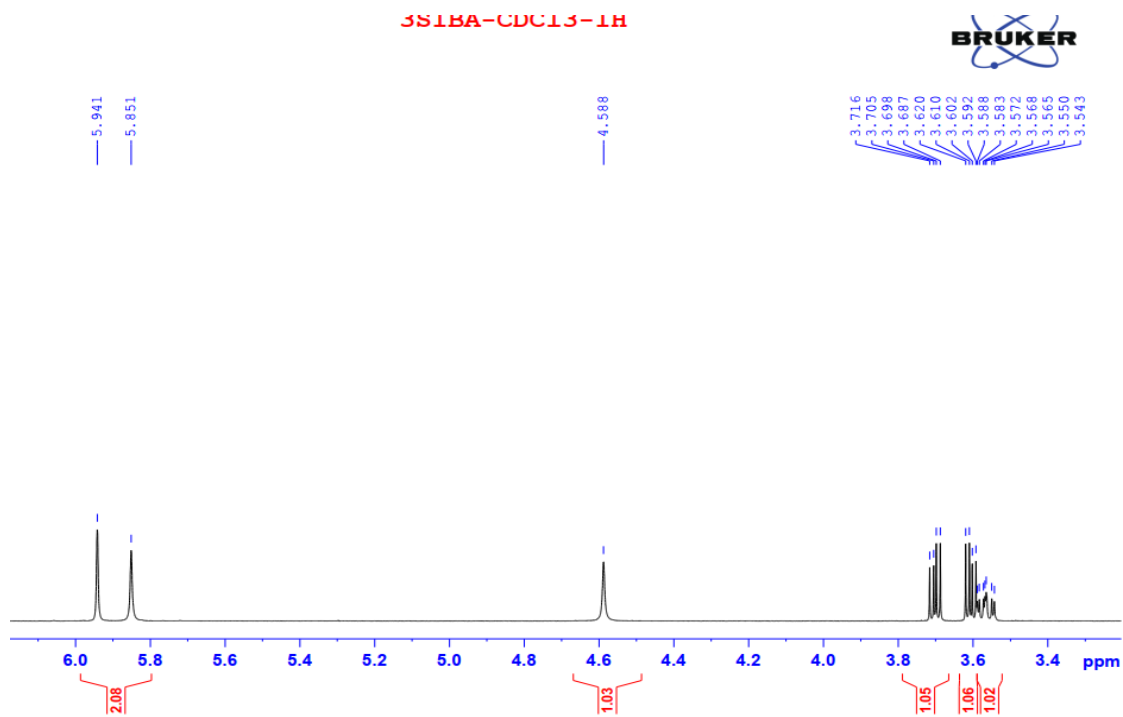
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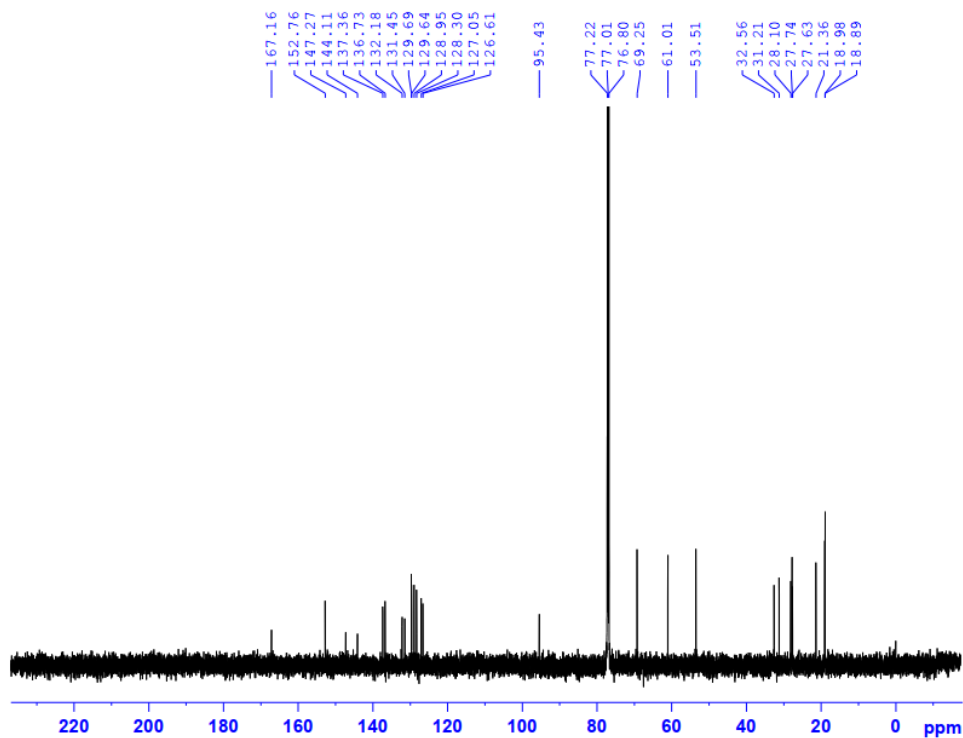


6.4. Spectra of compound 3d





3SiBA-CDCl3-C13CPD



Current Data Parameters

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PROCNO	1	

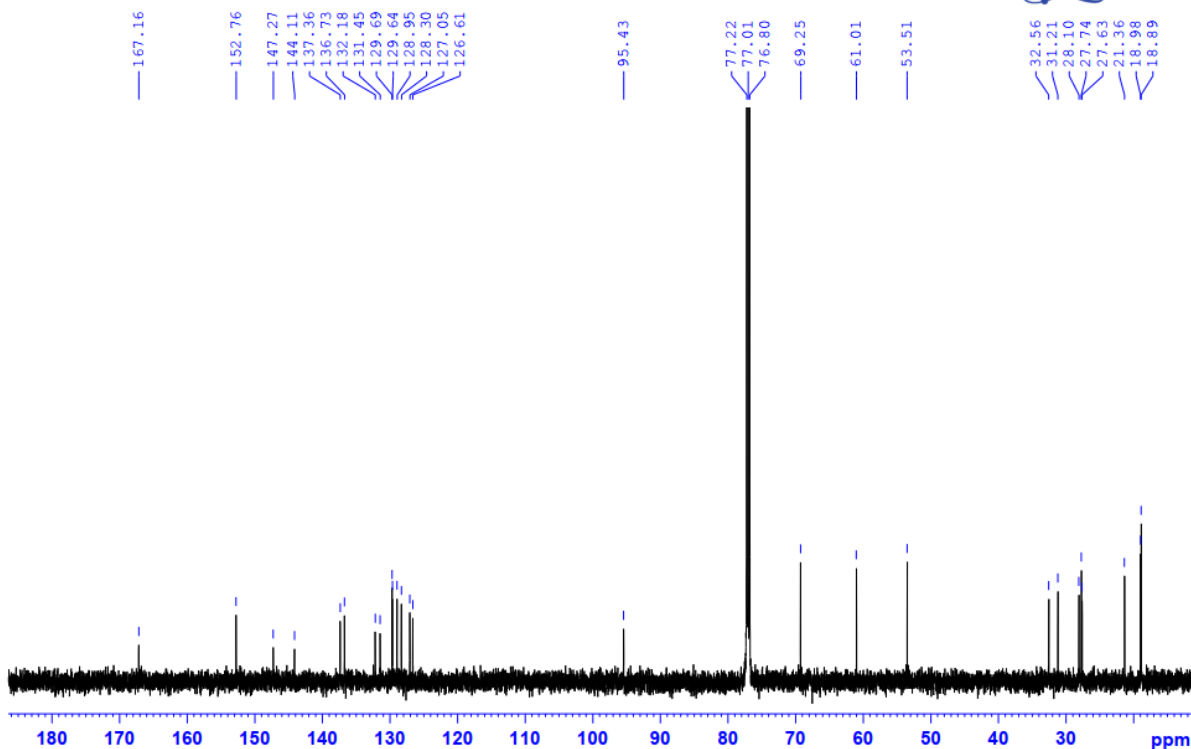
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PULPROG	zgpg30
TD	65536
SOLVENT	CDCl3
NS	1024
DS	4
SWH	38461.589 Hz
FIDRES	1.170750 Hz
AQ	0.8519680 sec
RG	101
DW	13.000 usec
DE	6.50 usec
TE	300.2 K
DL	2.00000000 sec
DL1	0.03000000 sec
DDO	
SFO1	150.9872069 MHz
NUC1	13C
PO	5.33 usec
PL	16.00 usec
PLW1	113.90000153 W
SFO2	600.4024016 MHz
NUC2	1H
CPDPRG12	waltz65
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PLW12	0.18792000 W
PLW13	0.09452000 W

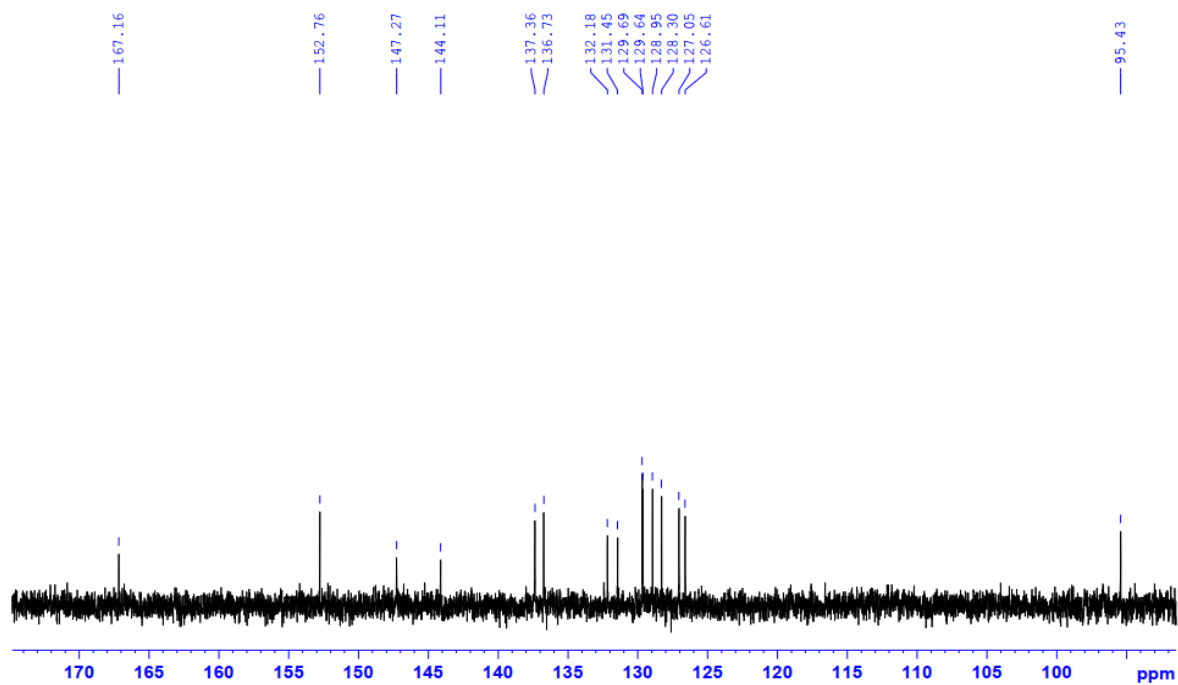
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GB	0
PC	1.40

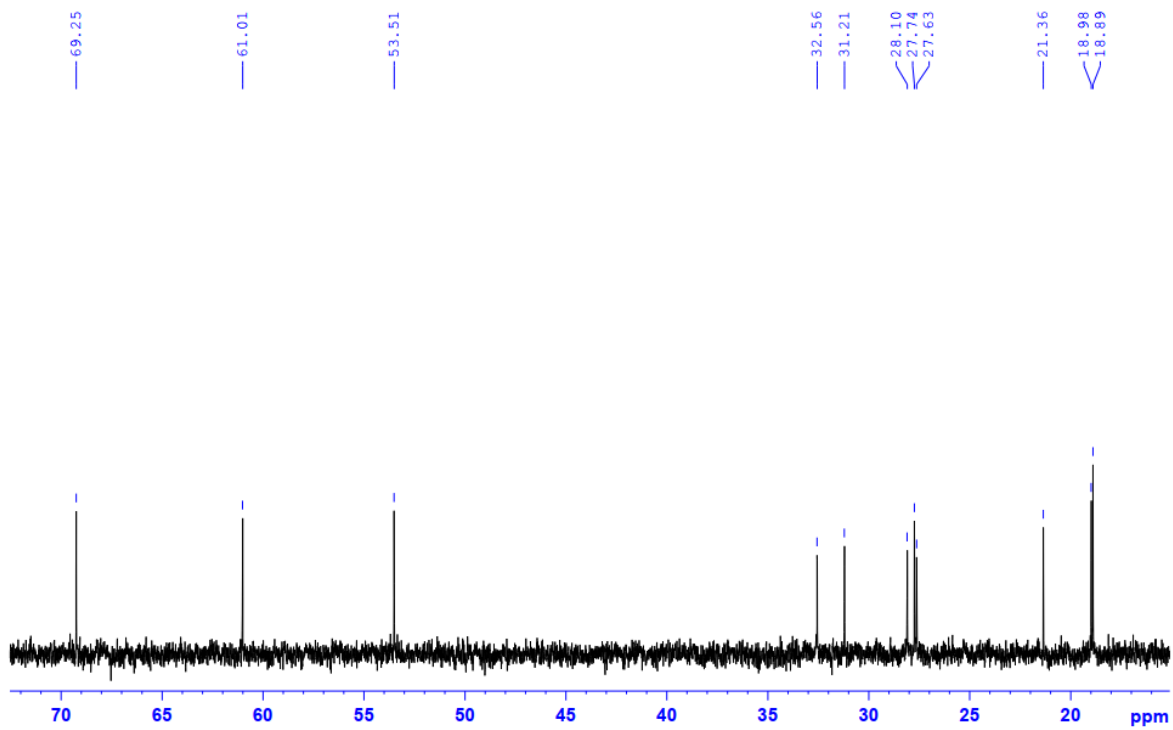
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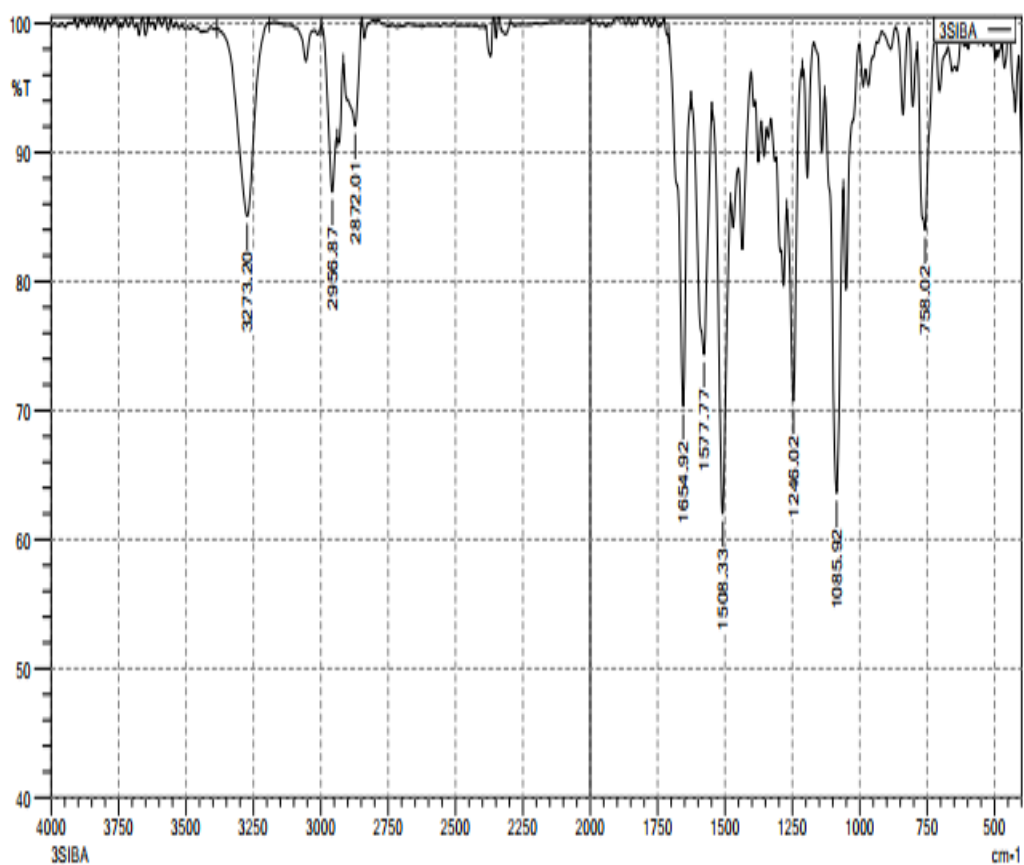
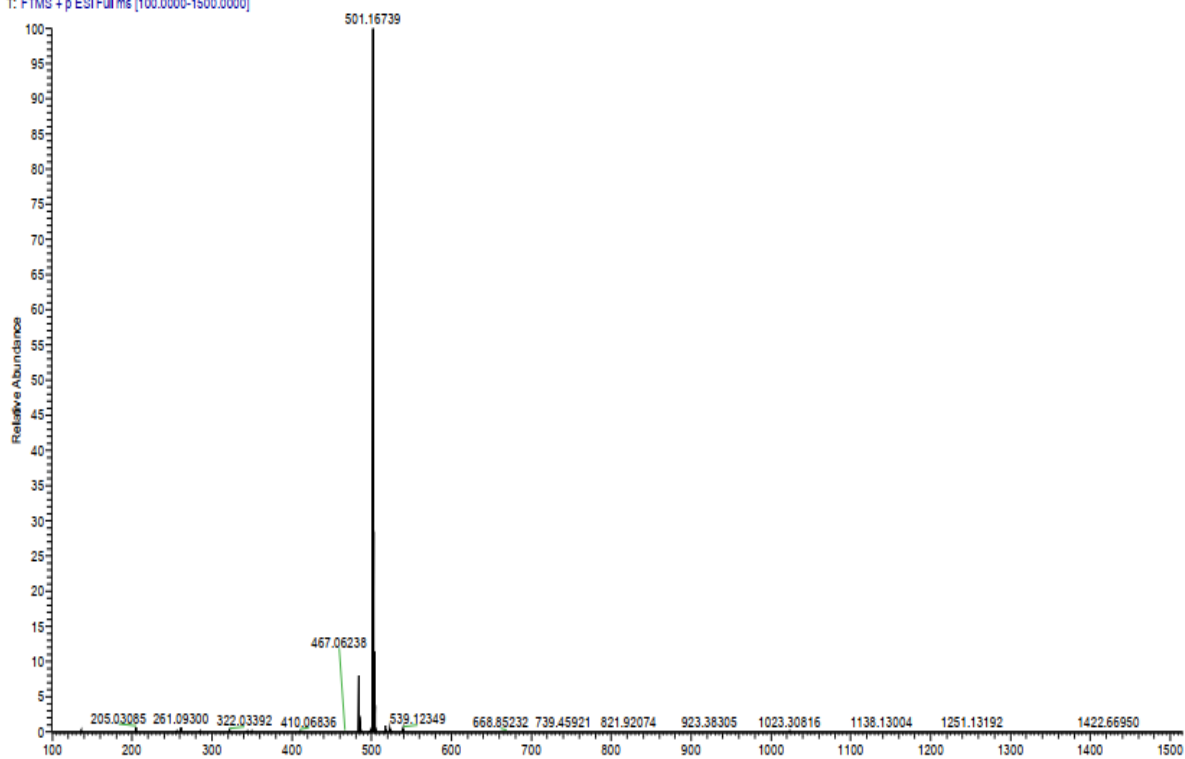


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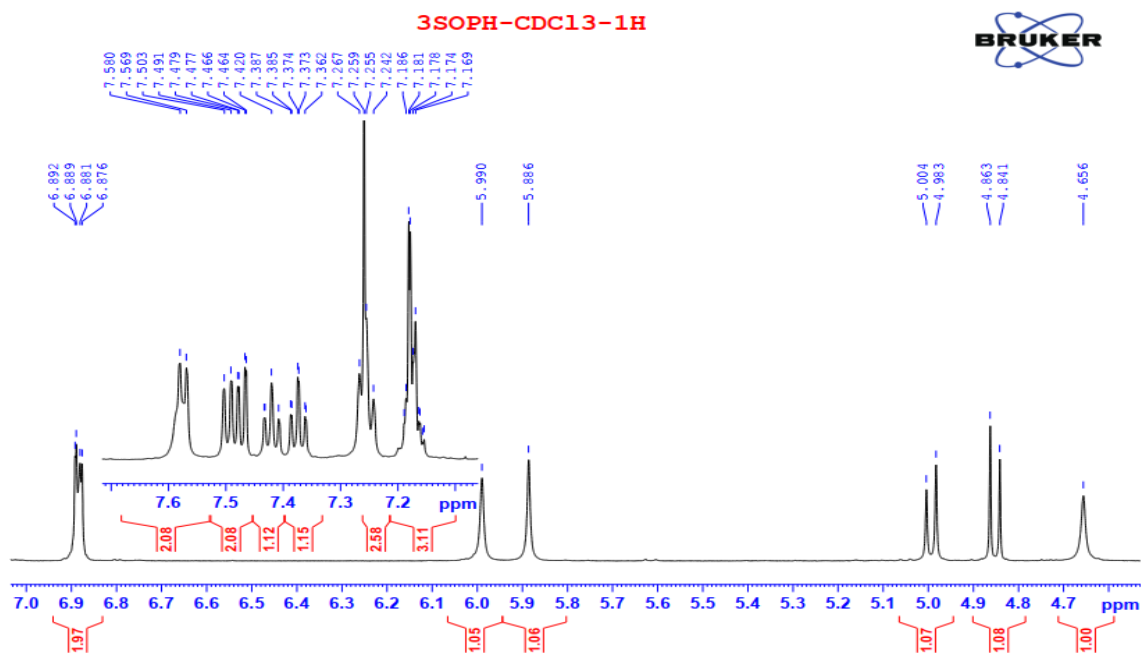
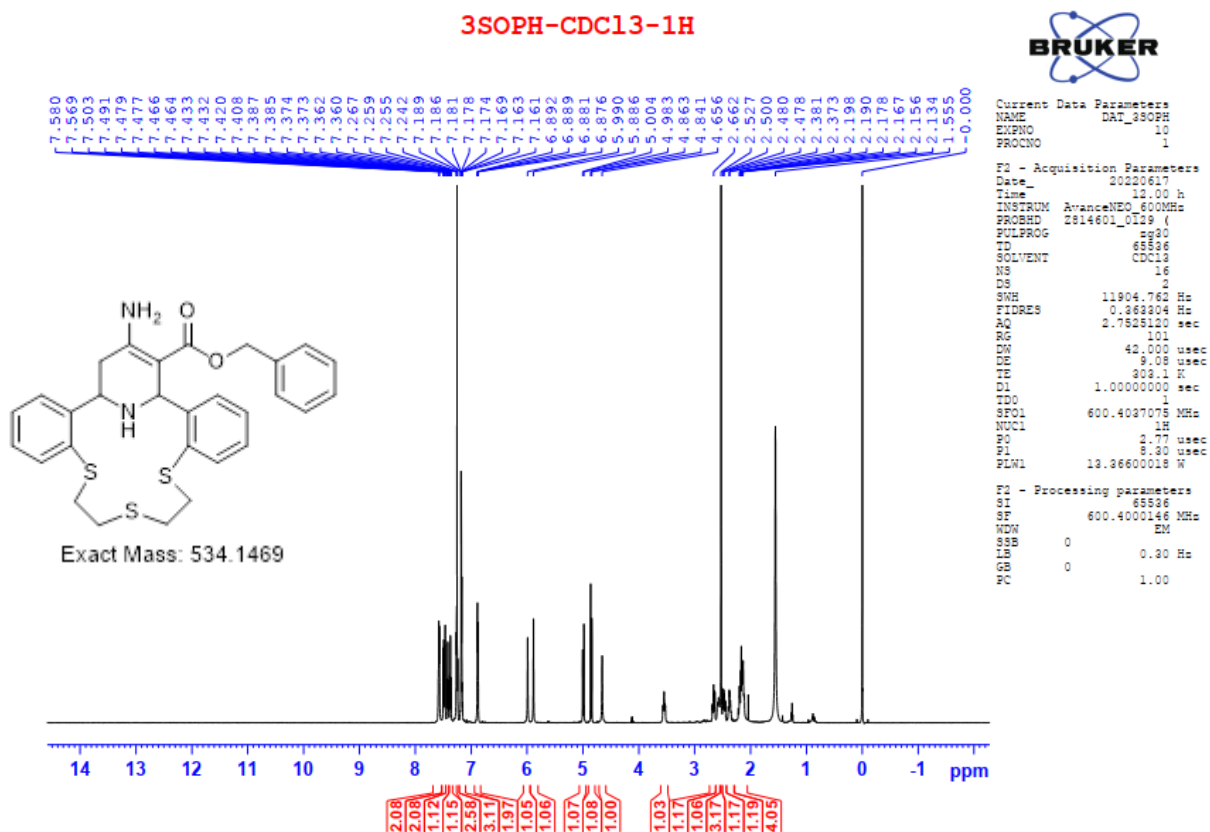


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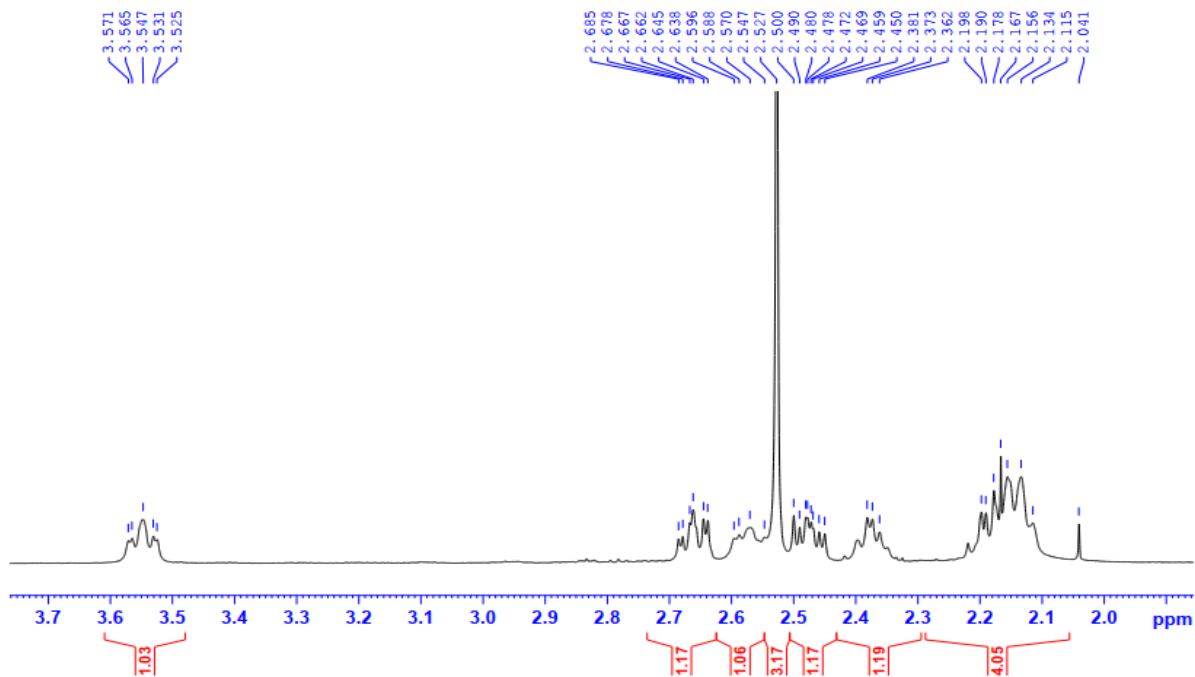
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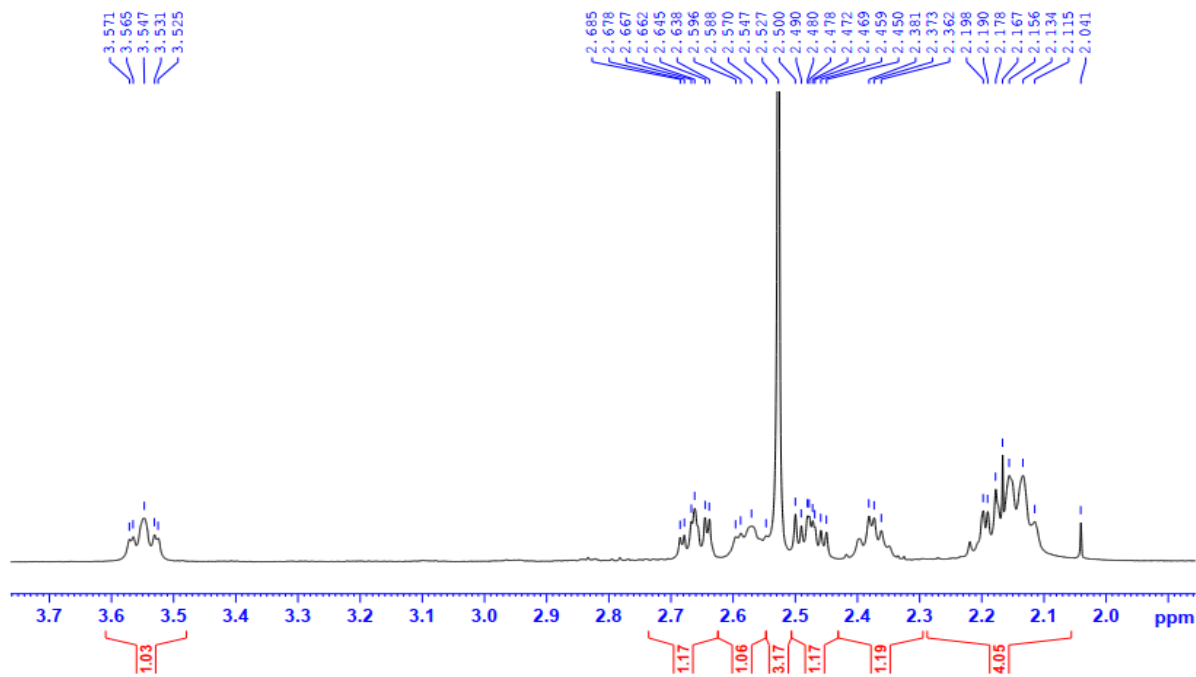
6.5. Spectra of compound 3e

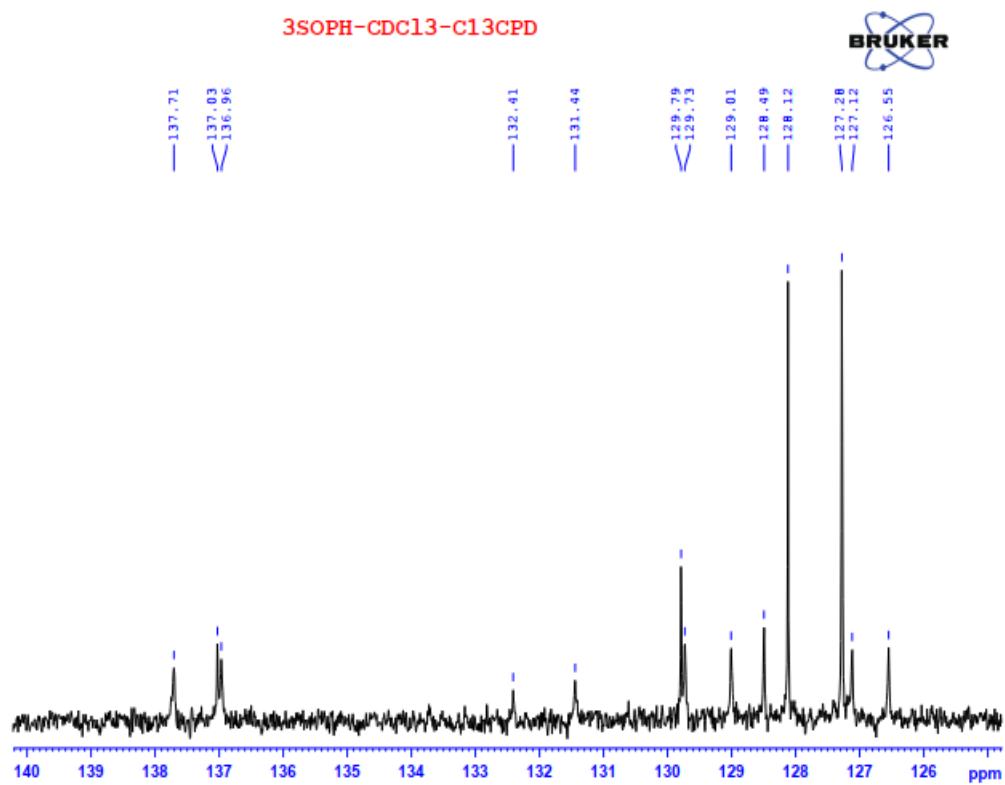
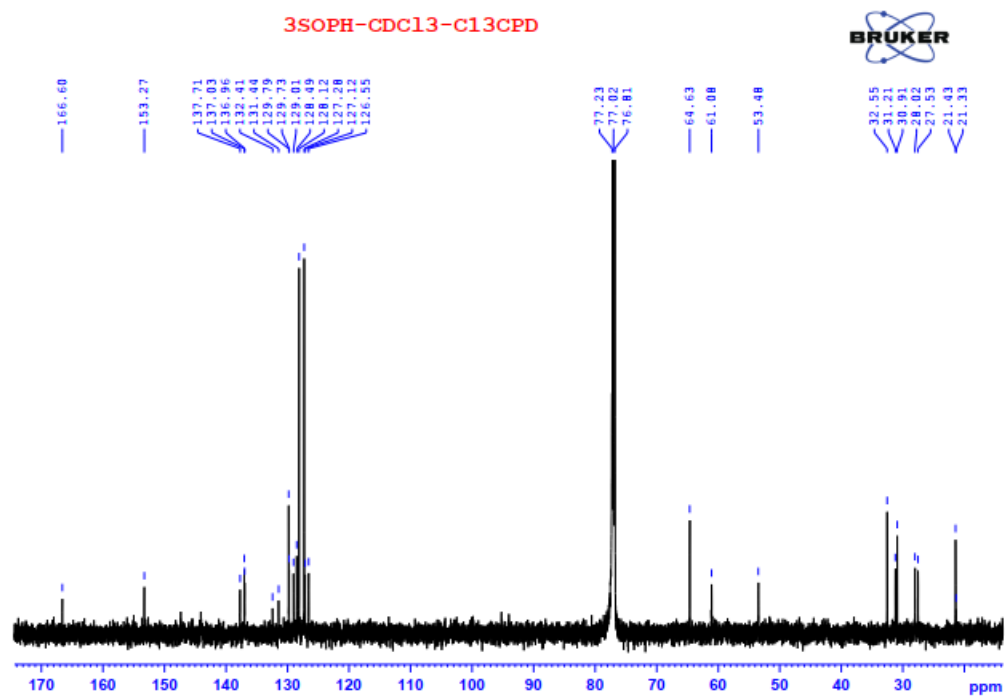


3SOPH-CDCl₃-1H

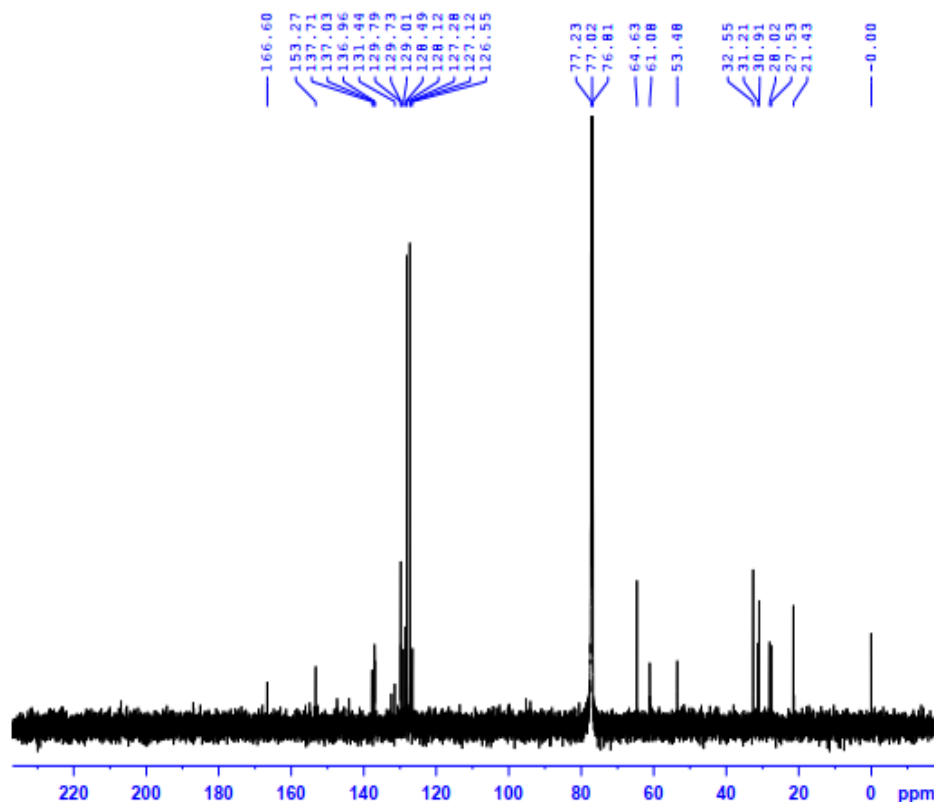


3SOPH-CDCl₃-1H





3SOPH-CDC13-C13CPD



Current Data Parameters
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 EXPNO 2
 PROCNO 1

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 Date_ 20220619
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 PULPROG zgpg30
 TD 65536
 SOLVENT CDC13
 NS 4096
 DS 4
 SFO1 38461.539 MHz
 FIDRES 1.173753 Hz
 AQ 0.8519680 sec
 RG 101
 DM 13.000 usec
 DE 6.50 usec
 TE 303.1 K
 D1 2.00000000 sec
 D11 0.03000000 sec
 TDO 1
 SFO2 150.9873069 MHz
 NUC1 13C
 P0 5.33 usec
 P1 16.00 usec
 PLW1 113.90000153 W
 SFO2 600.4024016 MHz
 NUC2 1H
 CPDPRG2 waltz65
 PCPD2 70.00 usec
 PLW2 13.36600018 W
 PLW12 0.18792000 W
 PLW13 0.09452000 W

F2 - Processing parameters
 S1 52768
 SF 150.9706979 MHz
 NDM 820
 SSB 0
 LB 1.00 Hz
 GB 0
 PC 1.40

3SOPH #2910-3018 RT: 10.07-10.39 AV: S1 NL: 2.90E8
 T: FTMS + p ESI Full ms [100.0000-1500.0000]

