

Supplementary Information

Rh(I)-Catalyzed [3+2] Annulation Reactions of Cyclopropenones with Amides

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I. General Information.

¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on JEOL ECZS-400YH or JEOL ECS-400 spectrometers in CDCl₃ with tetramethylsilane as the internal standard. Data are reported as follows: chemical shift in ppm, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, bs = broad singlet, and m = multiplet), coupling constant (Hz), and integration. Infrared spectra (IR) were obtained using a JASCO FT/IR-4000; absorptions are reported in reciprocal centimeters with the following relative intensities: s (strong), m (medium), or w (weak). High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained on a JEOL JMS-T100LP instrument. Melting points were determined using a Stanford Research Systems apparatus. Column chromatography was performed with SiO₂ (Silicycle SiliaFlash F60 (230-400 mesh)). *E/Z* isomers were separated by Shimadzu Prominence HPLC System, equipped with a Phenomenex Luna Silica (2) (5 μm) column, and some compounds were purified by JAI LC-5060 (GPC) equipped with two JAIGEL-HR columns connected in series.

II. Materials.

Toluene (Kanto Chemical) was purified by passage through activated alumina and under a positive pressure of N₂. Diphenylcyclopropenone (Wako), 2-PhC₆H₄COOH (TCI) were purchased from the commercial suppliers, and used as received. [Rh(OAc)(cod)]₂,¹ **1a**,² **1b**,³ **1c**,⁴ **1d**,² **1e**,² **1g**,⁵ **1h**,⁶ **1i**,⁷ **1p**,⁸ **1q**,⁷ **1s**,⁹ bis(4-methoxyphenyl)cyclopropenone,¹⁰ bis(4-chlorophenyl)cyclopropenone,¹⁰ diethylcyclopropenone,¹¹ bicyclo[5.1.0]oct-1(7)-en-8-one,¹² *N*-(quinolin-8-yl)pentanamide,¹³ and 4-methyl-*N*-(quinolin-8-yl)benzamide¹⁴ were prepared by the previously reported literature procedure. **1f**,⁵ **1r**,⁷ **1t**,⁹ were prepared from respectively 3-methoxypropanoic acid (Wako), 4-nitrobenzoic acid (TCI) and 2-isopropylbenzoic acid (TCI) according to the literature procedure.

III. General Procedure for the Annulation of Amides with Cyclopropenone

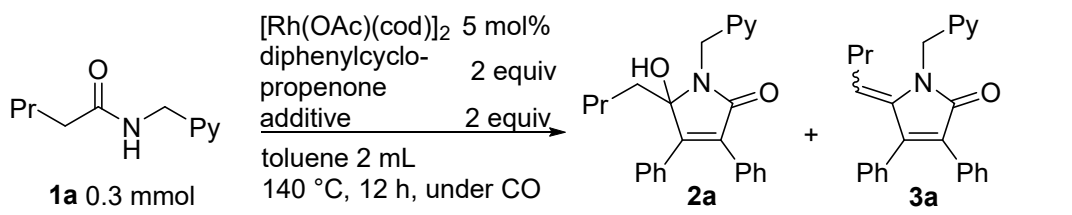
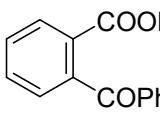
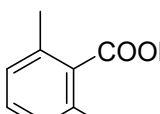
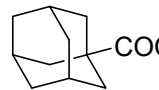
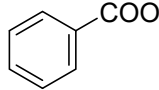
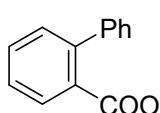
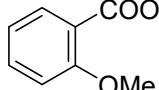
(i) For aliphatic amides.

[Rh(OAc)(cod)]₂ (8.1 mg, 0.015 mmol), *N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)pentanamide (**1a**) (57.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), diphenylcyclopropenone (123.7 mg, 0.6 mmol), 2-phenylbenzoic acid (118.8 mg, 0.6 mmol) and toluene (2 mL) were placed in a 50-mL stainless steel autoclave. After charging the autoclave with 10 atm of carbon monoxide three times, it was pressurized to 1 atm. The autoclave was heated in an oil bath at 140 °C for 12 h and was then allowed to cool to room temperature. After filtering the mixture through a celite pad and washing with EtOAc, the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexane/EtOAc= 1/1) and HPLC to afford (*Z*)-5-butyldiene-3,4-diphenyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrol-2-one (**3a-Z**) (46.2 mg, 41%) as a pale yellow oil and (*E*)-5-butyldiene-3,4-diphenyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrol-2-one (**3a-E**) (30.0 mg, 30%) as a pale yellow oil.

(ii) For aromatic amides.

[Rh(OAc)(cod)]₂ (16.2 mg, 0.03 mmol), *N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)benzamide (**1i**) (63.7 mg, 0.3 mmol), Diphenylcyclopropenone (77.3 mg, 0.375 mmol) and toluene (2 mL) were placed in a 50-mL stainless steel autoclave. After charging the autoclave with 10 atm of carbon monoxide three times, it was pressurized to 1 atm. The autoclave was heated in an oil bath at 140 °C for 1 h and was then allowed to cool to room temperature. After filtering the mixture through a celite pad and washing with EtOAc, the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: hexane/EtOAc= 1/1) to afford 5-hydroxy-3,4,5-triphenyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrol-2-one (**3i**) (90.4 mg, 72%) as a white solid.

IV. Optimization of Reaction Conditions Using Aliphatic Amides (Table S1)

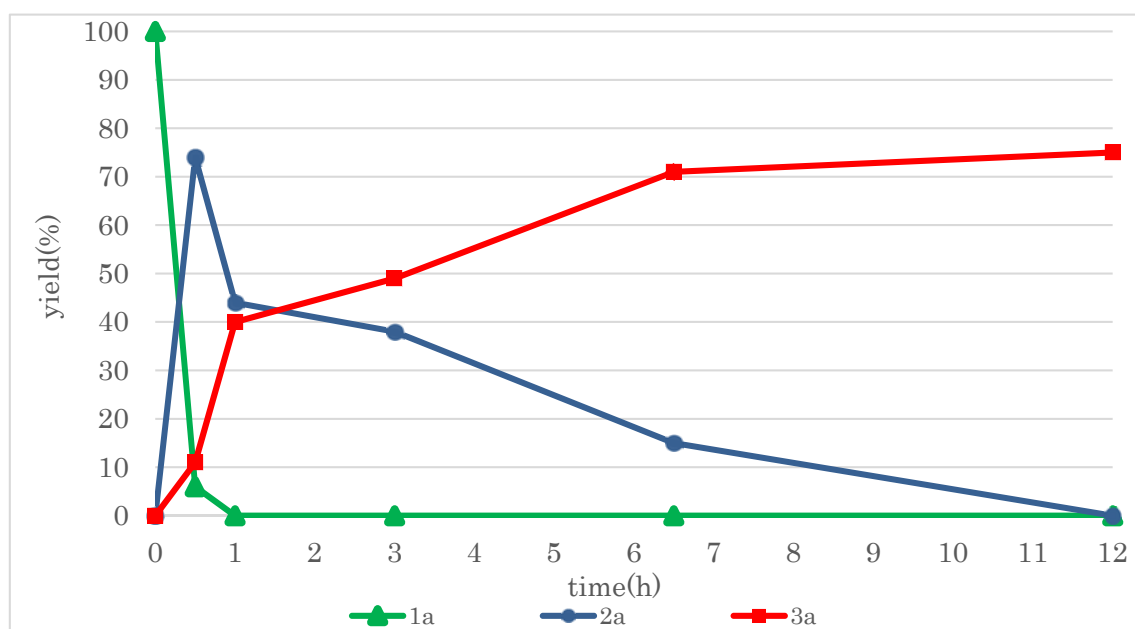
entry		notes	NMR yields (%)			entry		notes	NMR yields (%)		
			2a	3a	SM				2a	3a	SM
		 1a 0.3 mmol [Rh(OAc)(cod)] ₂ 5 mol% diphenylcyclopropenone 2 equiv additive 2 equiv toluene 2 mL 140 °C, 12 h, under CO 2a + 3a									
1	-		56	18	0	8		5	72	0	
2	cat. Rh(CO)Cl(PPh ₃) ₂		0	0	64	9		0	75	0	
3	Na ₂ CO ₃		85	14	0	10	" under N ₂	0	61	0	
4	PivOH		26	31	0	11	" 130 °C	8	50	17	
5			13	65	0	12	" w/o Rh	0	0	83	
6			10	70	0	13		0	82	0	
7			0	62	0						

The reaction of diphenylcyclopropenone with *N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)pentanamide (**1a**) in the presence of [Rh(OAc)(cod)]₂ in toluene at 140 °C under an atmosphere of CO gave a mixture of **2a** in 56% yield and **3a** in 18% yield (entry 1). Using Na₂CO₃ (2 equiv) as an additive gave **2a** as the major product in 85% yield and **3a** in 14% yield (entry 3). In sharp contrast, **3a** was the major product when carboxylic acids were used as additives (entry 4-9). Using 2,6-dimethylbenzoic acid, **3a** was produced as the sole product in the reaction (entry 9). When the reaction was carried out in an atmosphere of N₂,

a slightly lower product yield was obtained compared to the use of a CO atmosphere (entry 10), probably because of the decomposition of diphenylcyclopropenone to diphenylacetylene and CO. No reaction took place when the reaction was carried out in the absence of a rhodium catalyst (entry 12). After screening a series of carboxylic acids, 2-phenylbenzoic acid was found to be the additive of choice (entry 13).

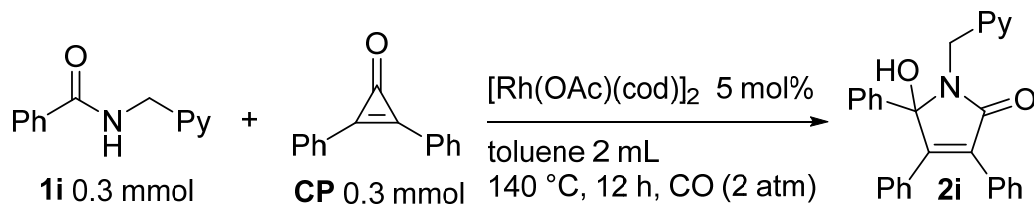
V. Time Course for the Annulation of Aliphatic Amides with Cyclopropenone (Scheme S1)

An examination of the time course for the reaction indicated that **1a** had completely reacted after 1 h and that **2a** was rapidly formed (74% yield after 30 min). During the course of the reaction, the yield of **2a** gradually decreased, the yield of **3a** gradually increased and **2a** had completely disappeared after 12 h.

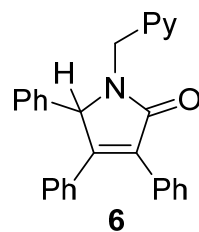


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VI. Re-Optimization of Reaction Conditions Using Aromatic Amides (Table S2)



entry	note	NMR yields (%)		
		2i	SM	
1 ^a	120 °C	50	33	
2 ^a	140 °C	72	25	
3 ^a	160 °C	73	18	
4	under CO	64	23	
5	CO (2 atm)	69	35	
6	CO (3 atm)	44	38	
7	Na ₂ CO ₃ (2 equiv)	43	59	
8	PivOH (1 equiv)	49	39	
9	CP (1.5 equiv), under CO	79	0	20%
10	CP (1.5 equiv), under N ₂ , 3 h	72	0	16%
11	CP (2 equiv), under CO, 1 h, Na ₂ CO ₃ (2 equiv)	62	0	29%
12	CP (1.3 equiv), under CO, 1 h, 2-PhC ₆ H ₄ COOH (1 equiv)	70	12	11%
13 ^a	CP (1.25 equiv), CO (1 atm), 1 h	80	0	9%

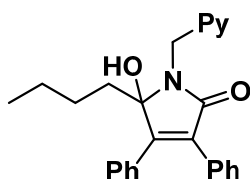


^a [Rh(OAc)(cod)]₂ (10 mol%)

The reaction of *N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl) benzamide (**1i**) gave the expected product **2i**. When the reaction was carried out at 120 °C, and a CO pressure of 3 atm, the yield of product was quite low (entry 1-6). The addition of Na₂CO₃ or PivOH had no effect on the reaction (entry 7 and 8). When the amount of cyclopropanone was increased (from 1 equiv to 1.5 equiv), **1i** disappeared and a higher yield of **2i** was obtained, but a reduction product **6** was generated in 21% yield (entry 9). In additional screening (entry 10-13), when the amount of cyclopropanone was reduced to 1.25 equivalents, **2i** was produced in 80% yield. Although no reaction conditions were identified in which the by-product **6** was not formed, **2i** was easily isolated in pure form by silica gel column chromatography.

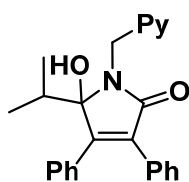
VII. Spectroscopic Data for [3+2] Annulation Products

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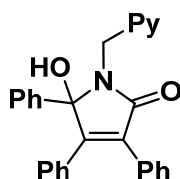
R_f 0.23 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 399.78 MHz) δ 0.73 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.94-1.08 (m, 2H), 1.14 (sep, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.91 (m, 2H), 4.51 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (dd, *J* = 6.7, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.20-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.28-7.31 (m, 3H), 7.36-7.39 (m, 2H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.66 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (brs, 1H), 8.42 (dq, *J* = 4.2, 1.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.53 MHz) 13.89, 22.34, 25.05, 35.47, 44.36, 91.51, 122.67, 122.90, 127.97, 128.03, 128.36, 128.81, 129.20, 129.75, 130.57, 131.00, 132.91, 137.60, 148.30, 154.17, 156.90, 169.92; IR (CHCl₃) 2957 w, 2930 w, 2864 w, 1686 m, 1597 w, 1435 w, 1397 w, 1321 w, 1153 w, 1075 w, 1007 w, 908 m, 846 w, 798 w, 728 s, 695 s; HRMS Calcd for C₂₆H₂₇N₂O₂ (M+H)⁺: 399.2067; Found: 399.2058.

5-hydroxy-5-isopropyl-3,4-diphenyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrol-2-one (2g)



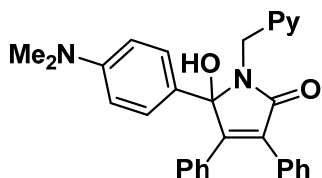
R_f 0.29 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Solid. Mp = 182, 183 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 399.78 MHz) δ 0.75 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.08 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 2.17 (sep, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 7.16-7.21 (m, 4H), 7.25-7.31 (m, 5H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.60-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.67 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.17 (brs, 1H), 8.44 (dq, *J* = 5.0, 0.9 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.53 MHz) δ 16.72, 17.00, 35.00, 45.74, 93.40, 122.68, 123.07, 127.88, 128.02, 128.35, 128.76, 129.53, 129.79, 130.96, 131.30, 134.01, 137.64, 148.38, 155.18, 157.20, 170.77; IR (CHCl₃) 3057 w, 2966 w, 1688 s, 1598 w, 1573 w, 1437 w, 1392 m, 1301 w, 1152 w, 1065 w, 1006 w, 910 m, 789 w, 757 w, 728 s, 695 s; HRMS Calcd for C₂₅H₂₅N₂O₂ (M+H)⁺: 385.1911; Found: 385.1892.

5-hydroxy-3,4,5-triphenyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrol-2-one (2i)



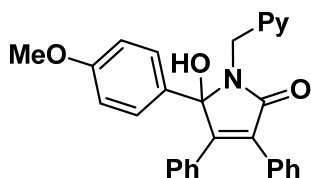
R_f 0.31 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). White Solid. Mp = 156, 157 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 399.78 MHz) δ 4.03, (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 7.10-7.31 (m, 10H), 7.35 (q, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 7.44-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.59 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.49 (dq, *J* = 4.8, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 9.30 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.53 MHz) δ 45.09, 91.64, 122.77, 122.82, 126.76, 128.19, 128.23, 128.47, 128.74, 129.32, 129.35, 129.72, 129.91, 129.92, 131.21, 132.51, 138.00, 139.52, 148.24, 156.33, 156.94, 170.04; IR (CHCl₃) 3058 w, 3030 w, 1693 s, 1598 w, 1573 w, 1488 w, 1442 w, 1390 m, 1309 w, 1201 w, 1149 w, 1050 w, 1008 w, 944 w, 910 m, 792 w, 730 s, 695 s; HRMS Calcd for C₂₈H₂₃N₂O₂ (M+H)⁺: 419.1754; Found: 419.1744.

5-(4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)-5-hydroxy-3,4-diphenyl-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (2j)



R_f 0.20 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Yellow Solid. Mp = 202-203 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 399.78 MHz) δ 2.95 (s, 6H), 4.06 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.12-7.29 (m, 9H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.46 (m, 4H), 7.68 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 9.12 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.53 MHz) δ 40.51, 44.97, 91.84, 112.31, 122.66, 126.18, 127.66, 128.01, 128.12, 128.15, 128.56, 129.33, 129.42, 129.93, 131.46, 132.80, 137.87, 148.23, 150.39, 156.51, 157.21, 169.67; IR (CHCl₃) 3057 w, 2881 w, 2850 w, 2806 w, 2245 w, 1691 s, 1610 m, 1521 m, 1441 w, 1391 w, 1356 w, 1225 w, 1164 w, 1065 w, 944 w, 910 m, 823 w, 794 w, 756 w, 730 s, 695 s; HRMS Calcd for C₃₀H₂₈N₃O₂ (M+H)⁺: 462.2176; Found: 462.2157.

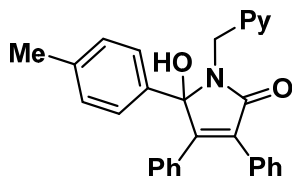
5-hydroxy-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3,4-diphenyl-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (2k)



R_f 0.29 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). White Amorphous. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 399.78 MHz) δ 3.79 (s, 3H), 4.05 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.12-7.27 (m, 9H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.43-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.49 (dd, *J* = 5.0, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 9.22 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.53 MHz) δ 44.95, 55.34, 91.54, 114.03, 122.76, 122.78, 128.07, 128.14, 128.16, 128.17, 128.19, 128.67, 129.34, 129.48, 129.89, 131.23, 132.60, 138.02, 148.16, 156.35, 156.96, 159.64, 169.95; IR (CHCl₃) 3058 w, 2928 w, 2837

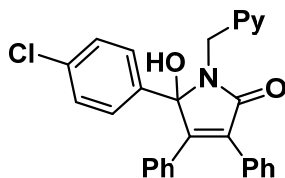
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5-hydroxy-3,4-diphenyl-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-5-(*p*-tolyl)-1,5-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (2l)



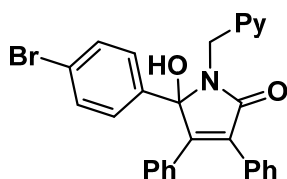
R_f 0.37 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 399.78 MHz) δ 2.32 (s, 3H), 4.03 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 7.11-7.29 (m, 11H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.48 (m, 4H), 7.69 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 9.23 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.53 MHz) δ 21.28, 45.00, 91.66, 122.75, 122.78, 126.66, 128.16, 128.21, 128.69, 128.68, 129.37, 129.47, 129.64, 129.92, 131.27, 132.57, 136.41, 138.00, 138.19, 148.19, 156.30, 156.97, 169.99; IR (CHCl₃) 3056 w, 3021 w, 2920 w, 2247 w, 1692 s, 1598 w, 1574 w, 1423 w, 1390 m, 1309 w, 1150 w, 1050 w, 1008 w, 953 w, 909 m, 826 w, 783 w, 728 s, 694 s; HRMS Calcd for C₂₉H₂₅N₂O₂ (M+H)⁺: 433.1911; Found: 433.1899.

5-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-hydroxy-3,4-diphenyl-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (2m)



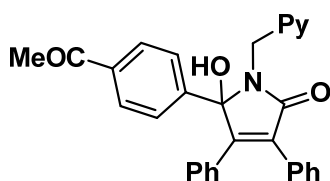
R_f 0.37 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). White Amorphous. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 399.78 MHz) δ 4.03 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.28 (m, 9H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.43-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.48 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 9.40 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.53 MHz) δ 44.97, 91.22, 122.79, 122.90, 128.23, 128.25, 128.30, 128.85, 128.89, 129.23, 129.73, 129.84, 129.90, 130.93, 132.27, 134.31, 138.08, 138.30, 148.14, 155.92, 156.62, 169.89, 169.89; IR (CHCl₃) 3059 w, 2249 w, 1694 s, 1599 w, 1487 w, 1391 m, 1310 w, 1151 w, 1093 w, 1011 w, 907 s, 834 w, 793 w, 726 s, 694 s; HRMS Calcd for C₂₈H₂ClN₂O₂ (M+H)⁺: 453.1364; Found: 453.1368.

5-(4-bromophenyl)-5-hydroxy-3,4-diphenyl-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (2n)



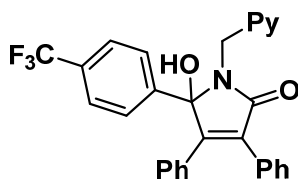
R_f 0.40 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Amorphous. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 399.78 MHz) δ 4.03 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.26 (m, 9H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.46 (m, 6H), 7.70 (td, *J* = 8.0, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 8.48 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 9.41 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.53 MHz) δ 45.00, 91.27, 122.61, 122.80, 122.91, 128.25, 128.28, 128.32, 128.59, 128.88, 129.24, 129.77, 129.86, 130.93, 131.86, 132.26, 138.07, 138.90, 148.18, 155.87, 156.64, 169.91; IR (CHCl₃) 3057 w, 3024 w, 1694 s, 1598 w, 1574 w, 1484 w, 1423 w, 1391 m, 1310 w, 1200 w, 1150 w, 1198 w, 1071 w, 1010 w, 952 w, 909 m, 832 w, 793 w, 729 s, 695 s; HRMS Calcd for C₂₈H₂₂BrN₂O₂ (M+H)⁺: 497.0859; Found: 497.0842.

5-(4-acetylphenyl)-5-hydroxy-3,4-diphenyl-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (2o)



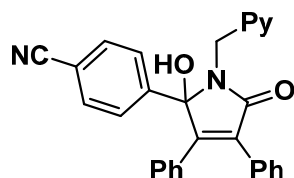
R_f 0.23 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Solid. Mp = 191-192 °C. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 395.88 MHz) δ 2.56 (s, 3H), 4.02 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 7.11-7.18 (m, 3H), 7.23-7.27 (m, 6H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.45-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.68-7.71 (m, 3H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 8.49 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 9.47 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 99.55 MHz) δ 26.76, 45.05, 91.31, 122.77, 122.92, 127.02, 128.23, 128.24, 128.35, 128.73, 128.86, 129.19, 129.82, 129.94, 130.87, 132.18, 137.07, 138.06, 145.07, 148.16, 155.78, 156.53, 169.91, 197.74; IR (CHCl₃) 3058 w, 2835 w, 2249 w, 1684 s, 1602 w, 1424 w, 1389 m, 1309 w, 1267 m, 1150 w, 1074 w, 1010 w, 953 w, 909 m, 837 w, 794 w, 727 s, 694 s; HRMS Calcd for C₃₀H₂₅N₂O₂ (M+H)⁺: 461.1860; Found: 461.1827.

5-hydroxy-3,4-diphenyl-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-5-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-1,5-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (2p)



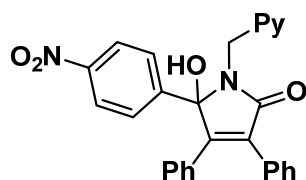
R_f 0.40 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Amorphous. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 395.88 MHz) δ 4.01 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.19 (m, 3H), 7.21-7.7.28 (m, 6H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 8.49 (dq, *J* = 4.1, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 9.51 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 99.55 MHz) δ 45.06, 91.20, 122.83, 122.96, 125.45, 125.68 (q, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 127.21, 128.29 (d, *J* = 152 Hz), 128.40, 128.94, 129.21, 129.85, 130.01, 130.38, 130.70, 130.85, 132.14, 138.10, 144.03, 148.18, 155.79, 156.51, 169.93; IR (CHCl₃) 3060 w, 2923 w, 1696 m, 1599 w, 1574 w, 1485 w, 1389 w, 1323 s, 1165 w, 1124 m, 1067 m, 1016 w, 941 w, 908 m, 866 w, 842 w, 794 w, 729 s, 694 s; HRMS Calcd for C₂₉H₂₂F₃N₂O₂ (M+H)⁺: 487.1628; Found: 487.1642.

4-(2-hydroxy-5-oxo-3,4-diphenyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrol-2-yl)benzonitrile (2q)



R_f 0.26 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Amorphous. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 399.78 MHz) δ 4.01 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.26 (m, 9H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.68-7.72 (m, 3H), 8.48 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 9.59 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.53 MHz) δ 44.99, 112.21, 118.59, 122.80, 122.98, 127.51, 128.22, 128.29, 128.43, 128.97, 129.05, 129.74, 129.97, 130.57, 131.93, 132.45, 138.11, 145.33, 148.09, 155.47, 156.23, 169.84; IR (CHCl₃) 3059 w, 2763 w, 2229 w, 1696 m, 1600 w, 1487 w, 1423 w, 1388 w, 1310 w, 1202 w, 1150 w, 1051 w, 1010 w, 941 w, 909 m, 840 w, 794 w, 727 s, 694 s; HRMS Calcd for C₂₉H₂₂N₃O₂ (M+H)⁺: 444.1707; Found: 444.1700.

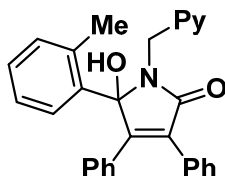
5-hydroxy-5-(4-nitrophenyl)-3,4-diphenyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrol-2-one (2r)



R_f 0.34 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Amorphous. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 399.78 MHz) δ 4.04 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 7.13-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.26-7.29 (m, 6H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.44-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.74 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 8.17 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 8.51 (dq, *J* = 5.0, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 9.67 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.53 MHz) δ 45.10, 91.06, 122.94, 123.13, 123.91, 127.88, 128.32, 128.43, 128.56, 129.12, 129.14, 129.83, 130.10, 130.59,

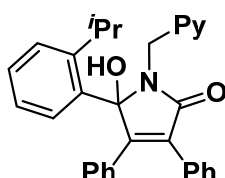
131.96, 138.27, 147.43, 147.98, 148.17, 155.50, 156.25, 169.95; IR (CHCl₃) 3061 w, 1697 s, 1599 w, 1520 m, 1487 w, 1424 w, 1388 w, 1347 s, 1312 w, 1199 w, 1151 w, 1100 w, 1051 w, 1011 w, 942 w, 909 m, 871 w, 853 w, 793 w, 728 s, 695 s; HRMS Calcd for C₂₈H₂₂N₃O₄ (M+H)⁺: 464.1605; Found: 464.1598.

5-hydroxy-3,4-diphenyl-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-5-(*o*-tolyl)-1,5-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (2s)



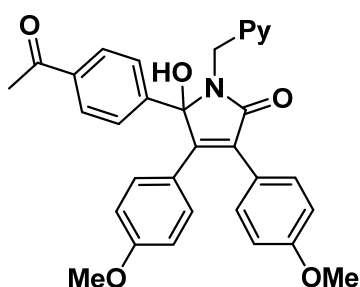
R_f 0.50 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Amorphous. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 395.88 MHz) δ 2.27 (s, 3H), 3.99 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 7.08-7.27 (m, 12H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.42-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.66 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.18 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 8.48 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 9.41 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 99.54 MHz) δ 20.00, 45.11, 91.12, 122.59, 122.75, 126.37, 128.16, 128.19, 128.24, 128.74, 128.85, 129.01, 129.70, 130.24, 130.48, 131.24, 132.20, 132.47, 135.16, 136.65, 137.92, 148.17, 154.95, 156.71, 170.41; IR (CHCl₃) 3060 w, 2247 w, 1692 s, 1598 w, 1574 w, 1482 w, 1439 w, 1389 w, 1311 w, 1203 w, 1130 w, 1041 w, 1008 w, 909 m, 728 s, 694 w; HRMS Calcd for C₂₉H₂₅N₂O₂ (M+H)⁺: 433.1911; Found: 433.1889.

5-hydroxy-5-(2-isopropylphenyl)-3,4-diphenyl-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (2t)



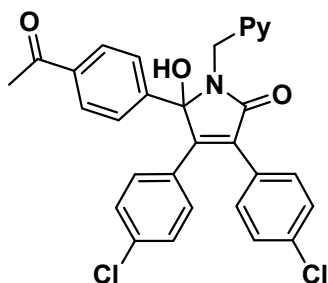
R_f 0.51 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). White Amorphous. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 399.78 MHz) δ 1.06 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.19 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 3.34 (sept, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (d, *J* = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (d, *J* = 16.5, 1H), 7.06-7.43 (m, 15H), 7.68 (td, *J* = 7.9, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.26 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 8.48 (dt, *J* = 4.1, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 9.53 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.53 MHz) δ 24.46, 24.86, 27.88, 45.58, 90.91, 122.62, 122.78, 125.90, 127.13, 128.12, 128.18, 128.37, 128.90, 129.31, 129.45, 129.67, 129.76, 130.10, 131.53, 132.27, 134.64, 137.97, 147.24, 148.13, 156.73, 157.23, 170.41; IR (CHCl₃) 3061 w, 2960 w, 2868 w, 2247 w, 1693 s, 1598 w, 1481 w, 1442 w, 1388 m, 1310 w, 1153 w, 1126 w, 1030 w, 957 w, 760 s; HRMS Calcd for C₃₁H₂₉N₂O₂ (M+H)⁺: 461.2224; Found: 461.2228.

5-(4-acetylphenyl)-5-hydroxy-3,4-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (2u)



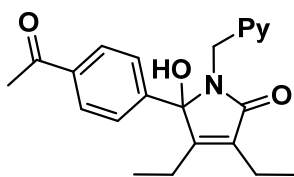
R_f 0.26 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/2). Pale Yellow Oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 399.78 MHz) δ 2.57 (s, 3H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.98 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 4.99 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (dt, *J* = 9.2, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 6.83 (dt, *J* = 8.9, 2.1 Hz, 2H), 7.22-7.26 (m, 3H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (dt, *J* = 8.9, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.68-7.72 (m, 3H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 8.49 (dq, *J* = 4.8, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 9.43 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.53 MHz) δ 26.78, 44.93, 55.15, 55.27, 91.17, 113.72, 113.79, 122.76, 122.87, 213.55, 124.59, 216.97, 128.25, 128.73, 130.72, 131.17, 136.98, 138.03, 145.68, 148.16, 153.96, 156.66, 159.54, 159.83, 170.32, 197.81; IR (CHCl₃) 3072 w, 2931 w, 2838 w, 2249 w, 1685 s, 1604 m, 1572 w, 1507 m, 1423 w, 1389 w, 1295 m, 1250 s, 1178 m, 1150 w, 1029 w, 954 w, 829 w, 732 m; HRMS Calcd for C₃₂H₂₉N₂O₅ (M+H)⁺: 521.2071; Found: 521.2089.

5-(4-acetylphenyl)-3,4-bis(4-chlorophenyl)-5-hydroxy-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (2v)



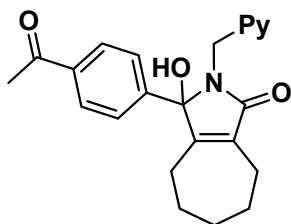
R_f 0.36 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/2). Pale Yellow Amorphous. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 399.78 MHz) δ 2.58 (s, 3H), 4.02 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (dt, *J* = 8.9, 2.1 Hz, 2H), 7.20 (dt, *J* = 8.9, 2.3 Hz, 2H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.38-7.41 (m, 3H), 7.65 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.74 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 8.51 (dq, *J* = 5.0, 0.9 Hz, 2H), 9.61 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.53 MHz) δ 26.83, 45.11, 91.29, 122.87, 123.13, 126.97, 128.73, 128.83, 128.90, 129.00, 129.16, 130.42, 130.50, 131.19, 134.69, 135.20, 137.30, 138.30, 144.52, 148.16, 154.98, 156.28, 169.42, 197.70; IR (CHCl₃) 3063 w, 2922 w, 2251 w, 1685 m, 1601 w, 1486 w, 1424 w, 1390 w, 1358 w, 1309 w, 1267 w, 1202 w, 1150 w, 1092 w, 1013 w, 954 w, 908 m, 821 w, 727 s; HRMS Calcd for C₃₀H₂₃Cl₂N₂O₃ (M+H)⁺: 529.1080; Found: 529.1075.

5-(4-acetylphenyl)-3,4-diethyl-5-hydroxy-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (2w)



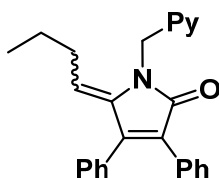
R_f 0.31 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/2). Pale Yellow Oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 399.78 MHz) δ 0.86 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 3H), 1.14 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 2.19 (dq, *J* = 14.2, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.29 (dq, *J* = 14.4, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.61 (s, 3H), 3.88 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.96 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 8.47 (dq, *J* = 5.0, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 8.90 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.53 MHz) δ 13.38, 13.50, 17.05, 18.84, 26.83, 44.75, 91.37, 122.66, 122.78, 126.95, 128.72, 131.89, 137.04, 138.02, 145.28, 148.10, 156.88, 159.21, 171.85, 197.83.; IR (CHCl₃) 2970 w, 2934 w, 2875 w, 1682 s, 1603 m, 1423 w, 1398 m, 1358 w, 1267 m, 1092 w, 1005 w, 935 w, 842 w, 731 s; HRMS Calcd for C₂₂H₂₅N₂O₃ (M+H)⁺: 365.1860; Found: 365.1863.

3-(4-acetylphenyl)-3-hydroxy-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexahydrocyclohepta[c]pyrrol-1(2H)-one (2x)



R_f 0.26 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/2). Pale Yellow Oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 399.78 MHz) δ 1.37-1.46 (m, 1H), 1.56-1.68 (m, 3H), 1.70-1.75 (m, 2H), 1.95-2.02 (m, 1H), 2.40-2.52 (m, 3H), 2.61 (s, 3H), 3.89 (d, *J* = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 4.93 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (td, *J* = 7.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.96 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 8.47 (dq, *J* = 5.0, 0.9 Hz), 8.97 (brs, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.53 MHz) δ 24.68, 26.85, 27.11, 27.16, 27.24, 30.74, 45.00, 91.00, 122.67, 122.82, 126.93, 128.73, 131.98, 137.09, 138.03, 144.97, 148.15, 156.88, 160.65, 171.88, 197.85.; IR (CHCl₃) 2924 w, 2851 w, 1681 s, 1603 w, 1425 w, 1401 m, 1360 m, 1267 m, 1161 w, 1009 w, 944 w, 916 w, 843 w, 731 s; HRMS Calcd for C₂₃H₂₅N₂O₃ (M+H)⁺: 377.1860; Found: 377.1863.

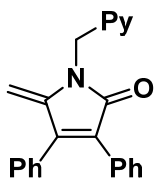
5-butylidene-3,4-diphenyl-N-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (3a)



[*Z* isomer] R_f 0.34 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Amorphous. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 0.69 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H), 1.19 (sext, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.23 (q, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 5.09 (t, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 5.34 (s, 2H), 7.16-7.26 (m, 7H), 7.36-7.42 (m, 5H), 7.67 (td, $J = 7.6, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.59 (dq, $J = 4.8, 0.9$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 13.66, 23.34, 29.17, 47.19, 119.38, 120.77, 122.25, 127.86, 128.04, 128.11, 128.55, 128.59, 129.72, 130.11, 131.11, 132.64, 137.09, 138.41, 145.84, 149.44, 158.20, 169.92; IR (CHCl_3) 3056 w, 2959 w, 2929 w, 2871 w, 1685 s, 1647 w, 1591 w, 1572 w, 1438 m, 1407 w, 1374 w, 1352 w, 1235 w, 1166 w, 1118 w, 1071 w, 995 w, 943 w, 914 w, 791 w, 729 m, 695 s; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 381.1961; Found: 381.1962.

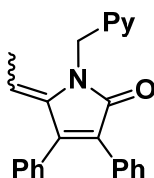
[*E* isomer] R_f 0.26 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Oil. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 0.54 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3H), 1.12 (sext, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 1.60 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 5.13 (s, 2H), 5.59 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.18-7.22 (m, 4H), 7.25-7.28 (m, 4H), 7.35-7.40 (m, 5H), 7.67 (td, $J = 7.8, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.56 (dq, $J = 4.8, 0.7$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 13.49, 23.49, 28.83, 45.37, 119.75, 121.92, 122.43, 127.98, 128.01, 128.44, 128.73, 129.24, 129.78, 131.00, 131.98, 134.80, 137.11, 137.52, 142.72, 149.18, 157.75, 167.92; IR (CHCl_3) 3056 w, 2958 w, 2926 w, 2869 w, 1685 s, 1593 w, 1475 w, 1438 w, 1415 w, 1379 w, 1333 w, 1226 w, 1172 w, 1089 w, 996 w, 947 w, 914 w, 750 m, 695 m; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 381.1961; Found: 381.1942.

5-methylene-3,4-diphenyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrol-2-one (3b)



R_f 0.29 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Amorphous. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 4.78 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.10 (d, $J = 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 5.10 (s, 2H), 7.18 (ddd, $J = 7.3, 4.8, 0.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.22-7.27 (m, 5H), 7.29 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.37 (m, 3H), 7.42-7.46 (m, 2H), 7.65 (td, $J = 7.6, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.56 (dd, $J = 4.8, 0.7$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 45.63, 97.90, 121.82, 122.49, 128.12, 128.27, 128.65, 128.74, 129.69, 129.77, 130.29, 130.57, 131.77, 137.06, 143.13, 145.26, 149.23, 157.10, 168.70; IR (CHCl_3) 3056 w, 2926 w, 1691 s, 1628 m, 1593 w, 1475 w, 1440 m, 1399 m, 1374 w, 1319 w, 1286 w, 1228 w, 1181 w, 1084 w, 1031 w, 996 w, 913 w, 856 w, 798 w, 765 w, 730 m, 696 s; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 339.1492; Found: 339.1489.

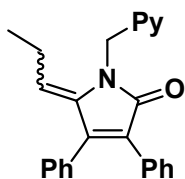
5-ethylidene-3,4-diphenyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrol-2-one (3c)



[*Z* isomer] R_f 0.34 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Yellow Pale Solid. Mp = 151-153 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 1.84 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 3H), 5.21 (q, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 5.36 (s, 2H), 7.18-7.7.26 (m, 7H), 7.37-7.43 (m, 5H), 7.68 (td, $J = 7.6$, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.59 (dd, $J = 3.9$, 0.9 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 13.16, 47.11, 113.14, 120.82, 122.28, 127.87, 128.05, 128.56, 128.59, 128.64, 129.71, 130.09, 131.07, 132.63, 137.14, 139.58, 145.63, 149.49, 158.31, 169.95; IR (CHCl_3) 3056 w, 2931 w, 2246 w, 1684 s, 1592 w, 1475 w, 1435 m, 1374 w, 1353 w, 1234 w, 1166 w, 1071 w, 995 w, 942 w, 911 w, 789 m, 752 w, 728 s, 695 s; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 353.1648; Found: 353.1635.

[*E* isomer] R_f 0.29 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Oil. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 1.34 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 3H), 5.11 (s, 2H), 5.68 (q, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.19-7.22 (m, 4H), 7.25-7.30 (m, 3H), 7.35-7.40 (m, 5H), 7.68 (td, $J = 7.5$, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.56 (dd, $J = 4.17$, 0.7 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 13.43, 45.36, 113.52, 122.03, 122.49, 128.00, 128.03, 128.47, 128.89, 129.29, 129.79, 130.95, 131.98, 134.76, 137.20, 138.03, 142.67, 149.20, 157.73, 167.98; IR (CHCl_3) 3056 w, 2925 s, 2856 w, 1684 s, 1592 w, 1476 w, 1439 w, 1415 w, 1377 w, 1312 w, 1174 w, 996 w, 945 w, 914 w, 822 w, 751 w, 730 w, 695 w; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 353.1648; Found: 353.1628.

3,4-diphenyl-5-propylidene-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrol-2-one (3d)

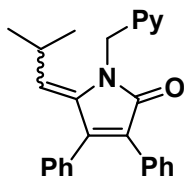


[*Z* isomer] R_f 0.24 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Oil. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 0.80 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 3H), 2.28 (quin, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 5.09 (t, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 5.33 (s, 2H), 7.17-7.26 (m, 7H), 7.36-7.42 (m, 5H), 7.67 (td, $J = 7.8$, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.59 (dq, $J = 4.6$, 1.2 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 14.57, 20.73, 47.16, 120.73, 122.23, 127.84, 128.03, 128.18, 128.54, 128.57, 128.59, 129.70, 130.10, 131.09, 132.59, 137.07, 137.87, 145.86, 149.46, 158.15, 169.87; IR (CHCl_3) 3056 w, 3016 w, 2966 w, 2931 w, 2873 w, 1685 s, 1646 w, 1591 w, 1436 m, 1407 w, 1374 w, 1233 w, 1168 w, 1119 w, 1072 w, 1030 w, 995 w, 944 w, 913 w, 794 w, 752 w, 728 m, 695 m; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 367.1805; Found: 367.1791.

[*E* isomer] R_f 0.19 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Amorphous. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 0.73 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3H), 1.66 (quin, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 5.12 (s, 2H), 5.57 (t, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.18-7.21 (m, 4H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.34-7.39 (m, 5H), 7.67 (td, $J = 7.8$, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 8.57 (dq, $J = 4.8$, 0.7 Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 14.73, 20.52, 45.31, 121.10, 121.91, 122.43, 127.96, 127.99, 128.47, 128.73, 129.13, 129.75, 130.94, 132.01, 134.74, 136.96, 137.14, 142.67, 149.13, 157.67, 167.95; IR (CHCl_3) 3056 w, 3014 w, 2965 w, 2931 w, 2872 w, 1681 s, 1638 w, 1592 w, 1476 w, 1438 w, 1415 m, 1380 w, 1336 w, 1223 w, 1173 w, 1089 w, 1030 w, 996 w, 946 w, 914 w, 853 w, 795 w, 751 w, 729 m, 695 m; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 367.1805; Found: 367.1791.

5-(2-methylpropylidene)-3,4-diphenyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrol-2-one

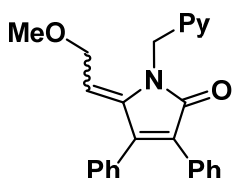
(3e)



[*Z* isomer] R_f 0.34 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Yellow Solid. Mp = 150-152 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 0.76 (d, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 6H), 2.85-2.98 (m, 1H), 4.92 (d, $J = 11.2$ Hz, 1H), 5.33 (s, 2H), 7.15-7.25 (m, 7H), 7.36-7.41 (m, 5H), 7.67 (td, $J = 7.8, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.60 (dq, $J = 4.8, 0.9$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 23.37, 26.68, 47.21, 120.74, 122.24, 126.38, 127.86, 128.05, 128.30, 128.55, 128.59, 129.73, 130.20, 131.14, 132.60, 135.99, 137.04, 146.22, 149.47, 158.12, 169.80; IR (CHCl_3) 2964 w, 2927 w, 1686 s, 1647 w, 1591 w, 1439 m, 1408 m, 1373 w, 1233 w, 1166 w, 1072 w, 968 w, 943 w, 912 w, 792 w, 753 m, 727 s, 696 s; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 381.1961; Found: 381.1974.

[*E* isomer] R_f 0.26 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Oil. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 0.69 (d, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 6H), 1.97-2.07 (m, 1H), 5.13 (s, 2H), 5.38 (d, $J = 11.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.18-7.21 (m, 4H), 7.25-7.28 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.39 (m, 6H), 7.69 (td, $J = 7.8, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.57 (dq, $J = 4.1, 0.7$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 23.36, 25.83, 45.35, 121.84, 122.39, 126.97, 127.97, 128.01, 128.50, 128.67, 129.07, 129.76, 130.99, 132.15, 134.87, 135.69, 137.06, 142.72, 149.14, 157.73, 167.88; IR (CHCl_3) 3056 w, 2964 w, 2928 w, 2868 w, 1684 s, 1639 w, 1593 w, 1439 w, 1415 w, 1380 w, 1340 w, 1287 w, 1224 w, 1173 w, 1086 w, 995 w, 946 w, 913 w, 863 w, 751 w, 731 m, 695 w; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 381.1961; Found: 381.1961.

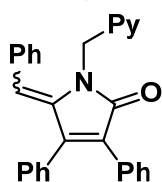
5-(2-methoxyethylidene)-3,4-diphenyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrol-2-one (3f)



[*Z* isomer] R_f 0.29 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/2). Yellow Oil. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 3.18 (s, 3H), 4.12 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 5.24 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1H), 5.27 (s, 2H), 7.19-7.26 (m, 7H), 7.36-7.39 (m, 3H), 7.40-7.43 (m, 2H), 7.68 (td, $J = 7.8, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.60 (dq, $J = 4.8, 1.2$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 47.02, 58.33, 67.30, 113.12, 120.94, 122.43, 128.10, 128.17, 128.71, 128.74, 129.15, 129.71, 130.00, 130.69, 132.05, 137.18, 140.26, 145.64, 149.54, 157.86, 169.90; IR (CHCl_3) 3057 w, 2927 w, 2819 w, 1697 s, 1594 w, 1440 m, 1409 w, 1191 w, 1159 w, 1084 w, 943 w, 755 w, 729 w, 696 m; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 383.1754; Found: 383.1773.

[*E* isomer] R_f 0.23 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/2). Yellow Amorphous. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 2.95 (s, 3H), 3.43 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 2H), 5.13 (s, 2H), 5.68 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.18-7.23 (m, 4H), 7.26-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.36-7.41 (m, 5H), 7.67 (td, $J = 7.8, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.57 (dq, $J = 5.0, 0.9$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 45.39, 57.90, 66.79, 113.50, 121.78, 122.53, 128.06, 128.35, 128.82, 128.92, 129.17, 129.78, 130.53, 132.72, 134.15, 137.14, 139.71, 142.22, 149.39, 157.16, 168.23; IR (CHCl_3) 3056 w, 2925 w, 2818 w, 1690 s, 1641 w, 1592 w, 1476 w, 1438 w, 1412 w, 1376 w, 1330 w, 1238 w, 1188 w, 1087 m, 996 w, 944 w, 914 w, 780 w, 752 w, 729 w, 695 m; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 383.1754; Found: 383.1746.

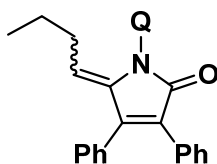
5-benzylidene-3,4-diphenyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrol-2-one (3h)



[*Z* isomer] R_f 0.40 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Solid. Mp = 142-143 °C. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 4.96 (s, 2H), 6.18 (s, 1H), 6.79 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.95 (dt, $J = 7.1, 0.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.05 (dd, $J = 6.6, 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.26 (m, 5H), 7.35-7.53 (m, 8H), 8.35 (dq, $J = 3.9, 0.7$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 47.50, 115.86, 120.33, 121.57, 127.73, 127.93, 128.09, 128.40, 128.70, 128.75, 129.10, 129.16, 129.80, 130.15, 130.89, 132.39, 134.54, 136.25, 139.47, 146.23, 149.12, 156.93, 170.97; IR (CHCl_3) 3056 w, 2927 w, 2361 w, 2248 w, 1693 s, 1633 w, 1592 w, 1573 w, 1487w, 1441 w, 1402 w, 1370 w, 1331 w, 1236 w, 1208 w, 1160 w, 1076 w, 1028 w, 996 w, 944 w, 913 w, 792 w, 750 w, 727 m, 696 m; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 415.1805; Found: 415.1789.

[*E* isomer] R_f 0.26 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Amorphous. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 5.24 (s, 2H), 6.72 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 6.79-6.83 (m, 3H), 6.86-6.94 (m, 4H), 7.01 (tt, $J = 6.4, 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.20-7.30 (m, 7H), 7.38 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.71 (td, $J = 7.6, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.59 (dq, $J = 4.1, 0.9$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 45.79, 116.91, 122.05, 122.61, 126.79, 127.21, 127.73, 127.99, 128.03, 128.13, 129.72, 129.95, 130.29, 130.78, 132.82, 133.04, 133.97, 137.22, 138.40, 142.63, 149.36, 157.43, 168.29; IR (CHCl_3) 3055 w, 2926 w, 1687 s, 1624 w, 1592 w, 1476 w, 1440 w, 1409 w, 1377 w, 1334 w, 1212 w, 1163 w, 1076 w, 1028 w, 996 w, 947 w, 913 w, 842 w, 795 w, 754 m, 730 m, 696 m; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 415.1805; Found: 415.1782.

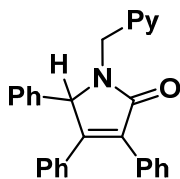
5-butylidene-3,4-diphenyl-*N*-(quinolin-8-yl)-1,5-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrol-2-one (5)



[isomer 1] R_f 0.34 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). White Amorphous. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 0.39 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H), 0.85-1.05 (m, 2H), 1.21 (sextd, $J = 8.0, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 1.39 (sextd, $J = 8.4, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.14 (t, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.18-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.37-7.39 (m, 5H), 7.43 (q, $J = 4.1$ Hz, 1H), 7.46-7.48 (m, 2H), 7.64 (dd, $J = 8.2, 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.81 (dd, $J = 7.3, 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.92 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.21 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.98 (dd, $J = 4.1, 1.6$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 13.58, 22.69, 28.85, 118.68, 121.81, 126.28, 127.63, 127.86, 128.24, 128.43, 128.50, 128.51, 129.02, 129.28, 129.94, 130.29, 130.74, 131.37, 132.86, 135.71, 136.29, 140.06, 145.77, 151.23, 169.93; IR (CHCl_3) 3055 w, 2959 w, 2929 w, 2870 w, 2245 w, 1688 m, 1647 w, 1596 w, 1500 w, 1474 w, 1406 w, 1371 w, 1259 w, 1212 w, 1176 w, 1121 w, 1074 w, 1029 w, 908 m, 829 w, 802 w, 789 w, 726 s, 694 m; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 417.1961; Found: 417.1930.

[isomer 2] R_f 0.23 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Pale Yellow Oil. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 0.54 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3H), 1.07 (sext, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 1.62 (qd, $J = 7.3, 1.6$ Hz, 2H), 5.04 (t, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.17-7.21 (m, 3H), 7.40-7.48 (m, 8H), 7.68 (dd, $J = 8.0, 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.79 (dd, $J = 7.3, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.94 (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.214 (dd, $J = 8.5, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.98 (dd, $J = 4.1, 1.8$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 13.60, 23.42, 28.90, 119.81, 121.79, 126.48, 127.83, 127.91, 128.36, 128.68, 128.73, 129.13, 129.47, 129.51, 129.55, 129.59, 129.68, 129.98, 130.08, 131.68, 133.40, 135.09, 136.37, 140.17, 151.19; IR (CHCl_3) 3055 w, 2958 w, 2927 w, 2869 w, 1689 s, 1596 w, 1499 w, 1475 w, 1443 w, 1428 w, 1406 w, 1372 w, 1216 w, 1143 w, 1100 w, 1071 w, 1029 w, 911 w, 806 w, 729 m, 695 m; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 417.1961; Found: 417.1947.

3,4,5-triphenyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-1,5-dihydro-2*H*-pyrrol-2-one (6)



R_f 0.17 (hexane/EtOAc = 1/1). Colorless Oil. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 399.78 MHz) δ 4.00 (d, $J = 15.3$ Hz, 1H), 5.22 (d, $J = 15.3$ Hz, 1H), 5.57 (s, 1H), 7.04-7.34 (m, 15H), 7.50 (dq, $J = 7.6, 1.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.63 (td, $J = 7.8, 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 8.56 (d, $J = 4.3$ Hz, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100.53 MHz) δ 46.15, 66.80, 122.46, 122.98, 128.24, 128.35, 128.43, 128.68, 128.71, 128.77, 129.06, 129.07, 129.89, 131.55, 132.07, 132.92, 135.25, 136.96, 149.44, 153.20, 157.39, 170.44; IR (CHCl_3) 3059 w, 2924 w, 2242 w, 1680 s, 1590 w, 1492 w, 1431 w, 1403 m, 1351 w, 1316 w, 1206 w, 1073 w, 996 w, 944 w, 912 m, 840 w, 782 w, 730 s, 696 s; HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$: 403.1805; Found: 403.17995.

VIII. X-ray structure and data of compound **3h-Z**

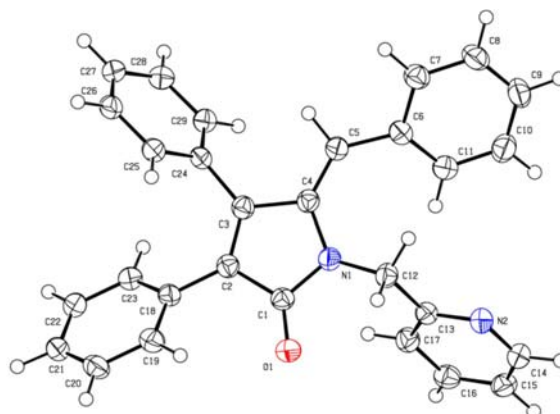


Figure S1. The structure of **3h-Z** was determined by the X-ray diffraction.

CCDC-1898257 contains the supplementary crystallographic data of compound **3h-Z**. X-Ray crystallographic structure analysis of *Z*-5-benzylidene-3,4-diphenyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-ylmethyl) -1,5-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one (**3h-Z**) was performed on Rigaku R-Axis RAPID imaging plate diffractometer with graphite monochromated Cu-K α radiation. The data were collected at a temperature of -150 ± 1 °C to a maximum 2θ value of 148.6° . A total of 2428 oscillation images were collected. A sweep of data was done using ω scans from -12.0 to 14.0° in 0.50° step, at $\chi = -33.0^\circ$ and $\phi = 26.0^\circ$. The structure was solved by direct methods (SIR92)¹⁵ and expanded using Fourier techniques. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically and all hydrogen atoms were placed using riding model. The crystal data are mentioned below:

Crystal Data:

Empirical Formula	C ₂₉ H ₂₂ N ₂ O
Formula Weight	414.51
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Crystal Dimensions	0.600 × 0.250 × 0.250 mm
Crystal System	triclinic
Lattice Type	Primitive
Lattice Parameters	$a = 9.8127(3)$ Å $b = 9.8576(3)$ Å $c = 12.3569(4)$ Å $\alpha = 95.274(3)^\circ$ $\beta = 96.148(3)^\circ$ $\gamma = 115.124(3)^\circ$ $V = 1063.36(7)$ Å ³

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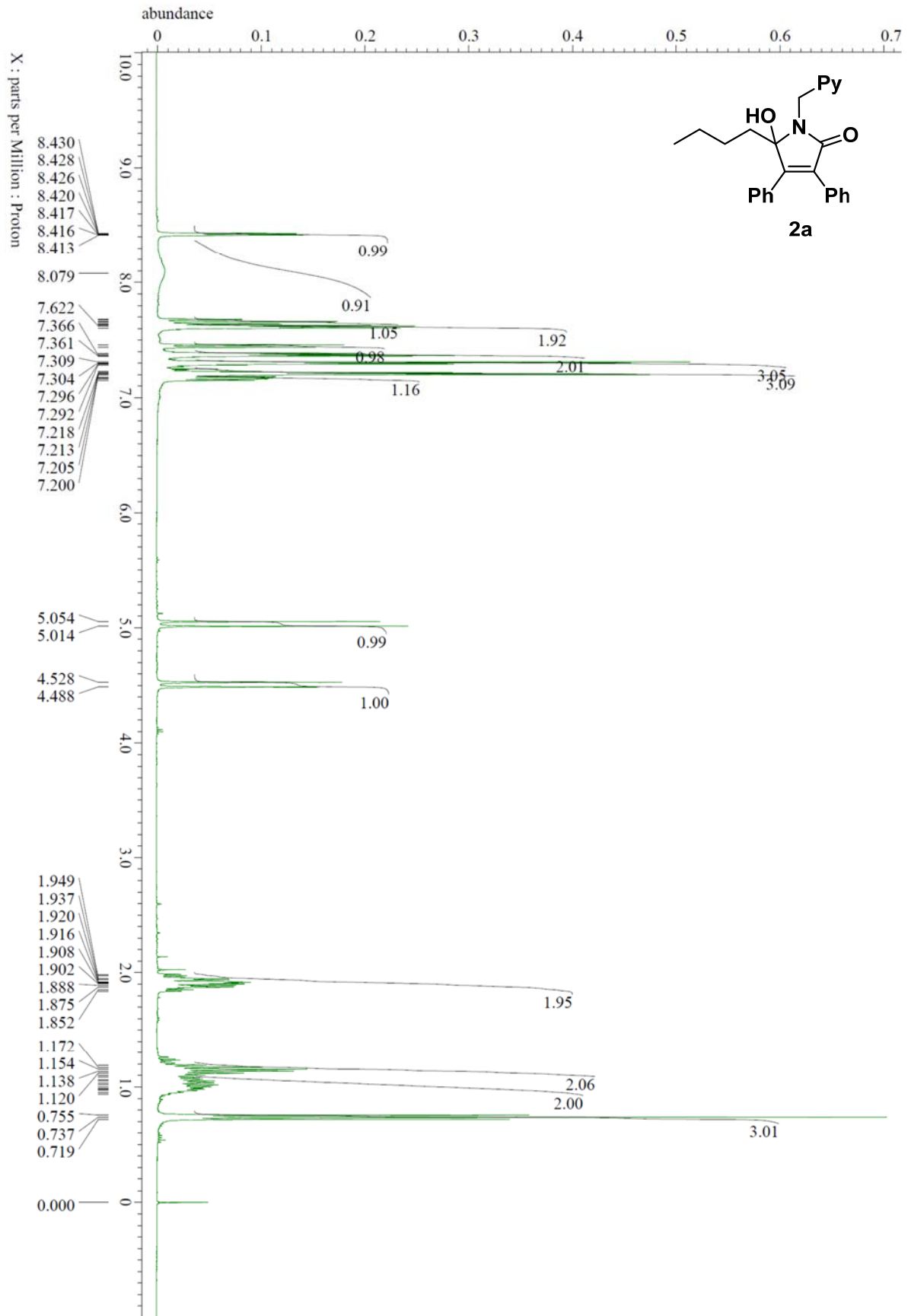
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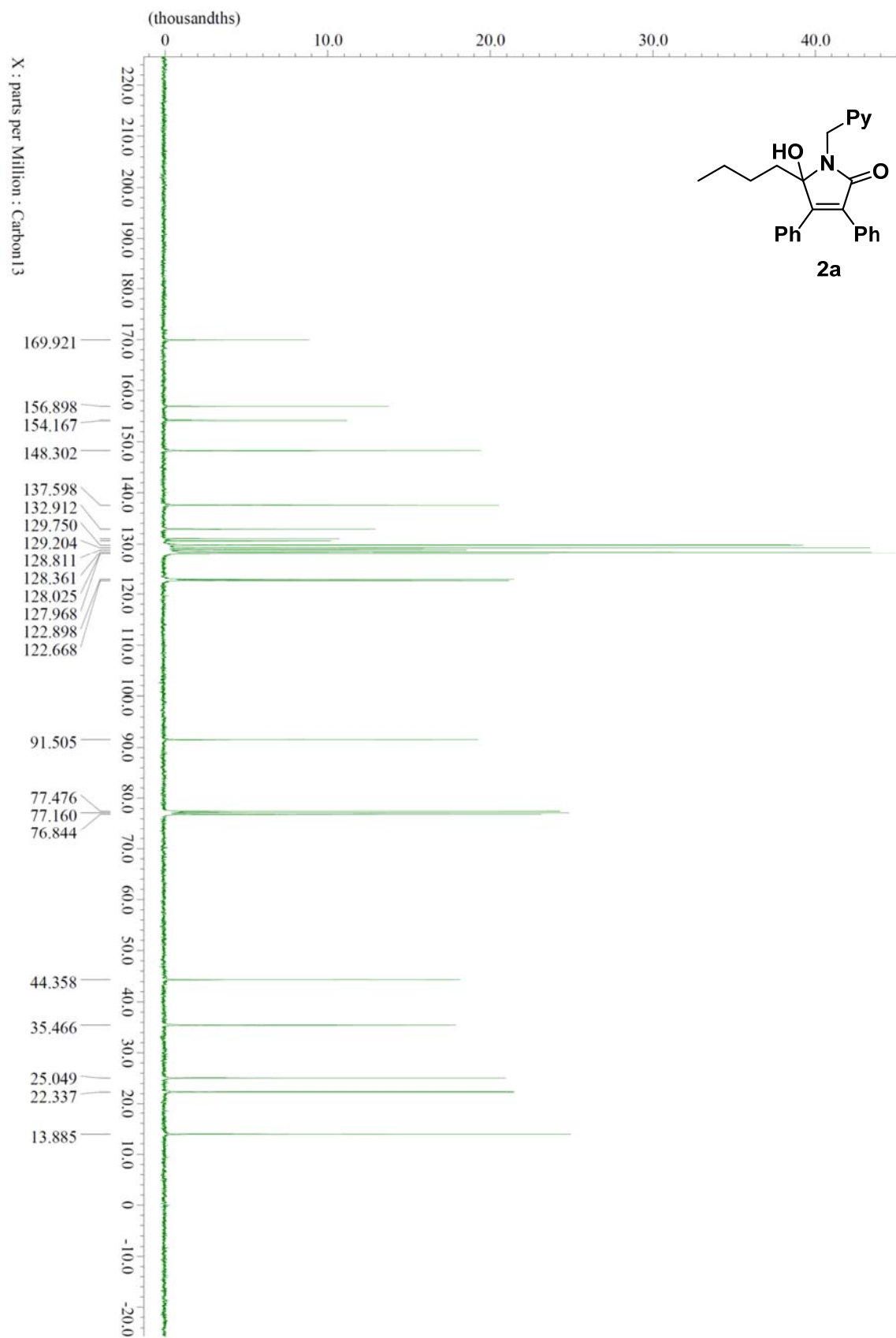
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N2	C13	1.3438(19)	N2	C14	1.332(2)
C1	C2	1.474(2)	C2	C3	1.359(2)
C2	C18	1.474(2)	C3	C4	1.476(2)
C3	C24	1.481(2)	C4	C5	1.349(3)
C5	C6	1.476(2)	C6	C7	1.401(2)
C6	C11	1.398(2)	C7	C8	1.388(3)
C8	C9	1.380(3)	C9	C10	1.392(3)
C10	C11	1.386(3)	C12	C13	1.512(2)
C13	C17	1.3861(17)	C14	C15	1.3866(19)
C15	C16	1.383(2)	C16	C17	1.387(2)
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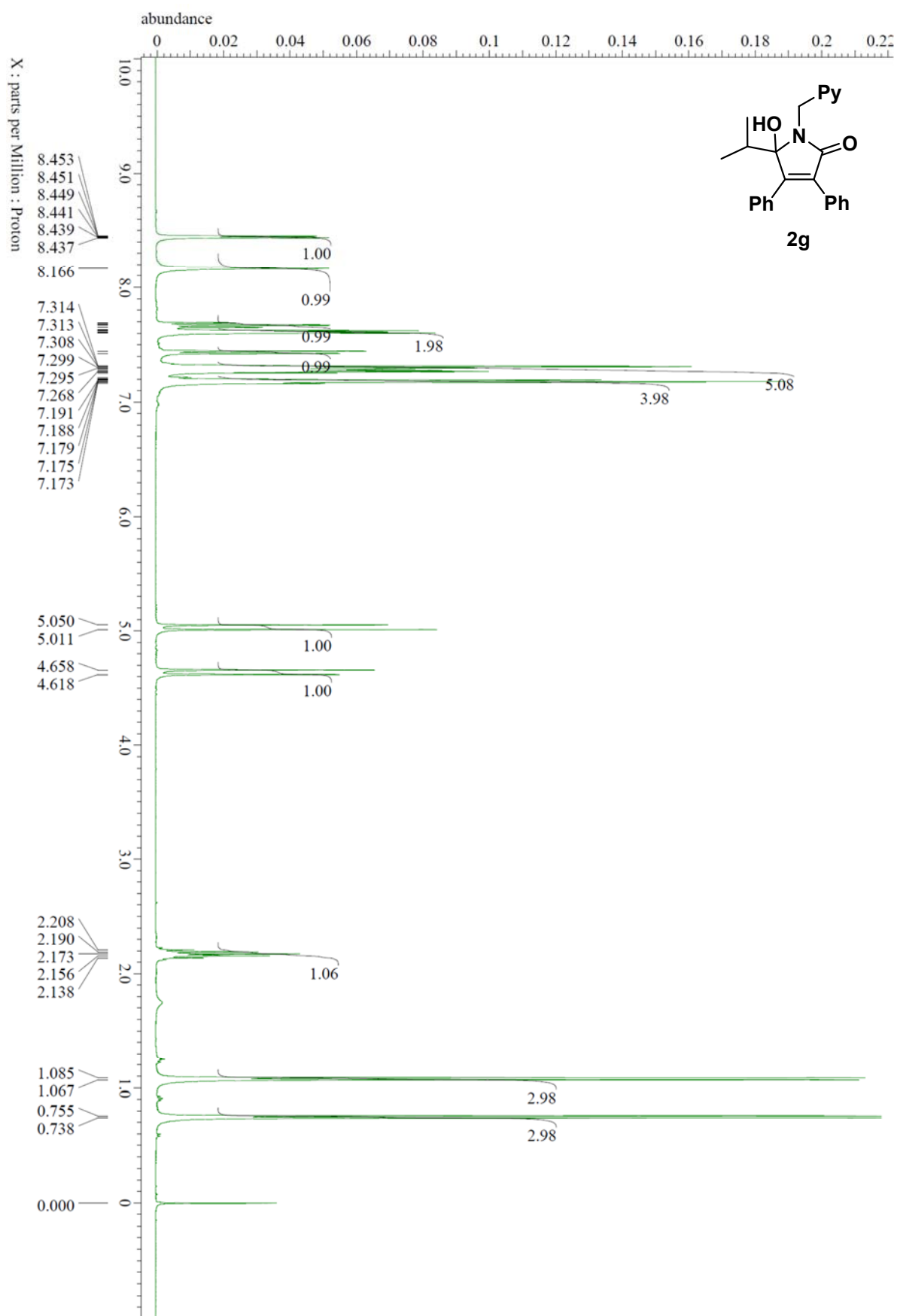
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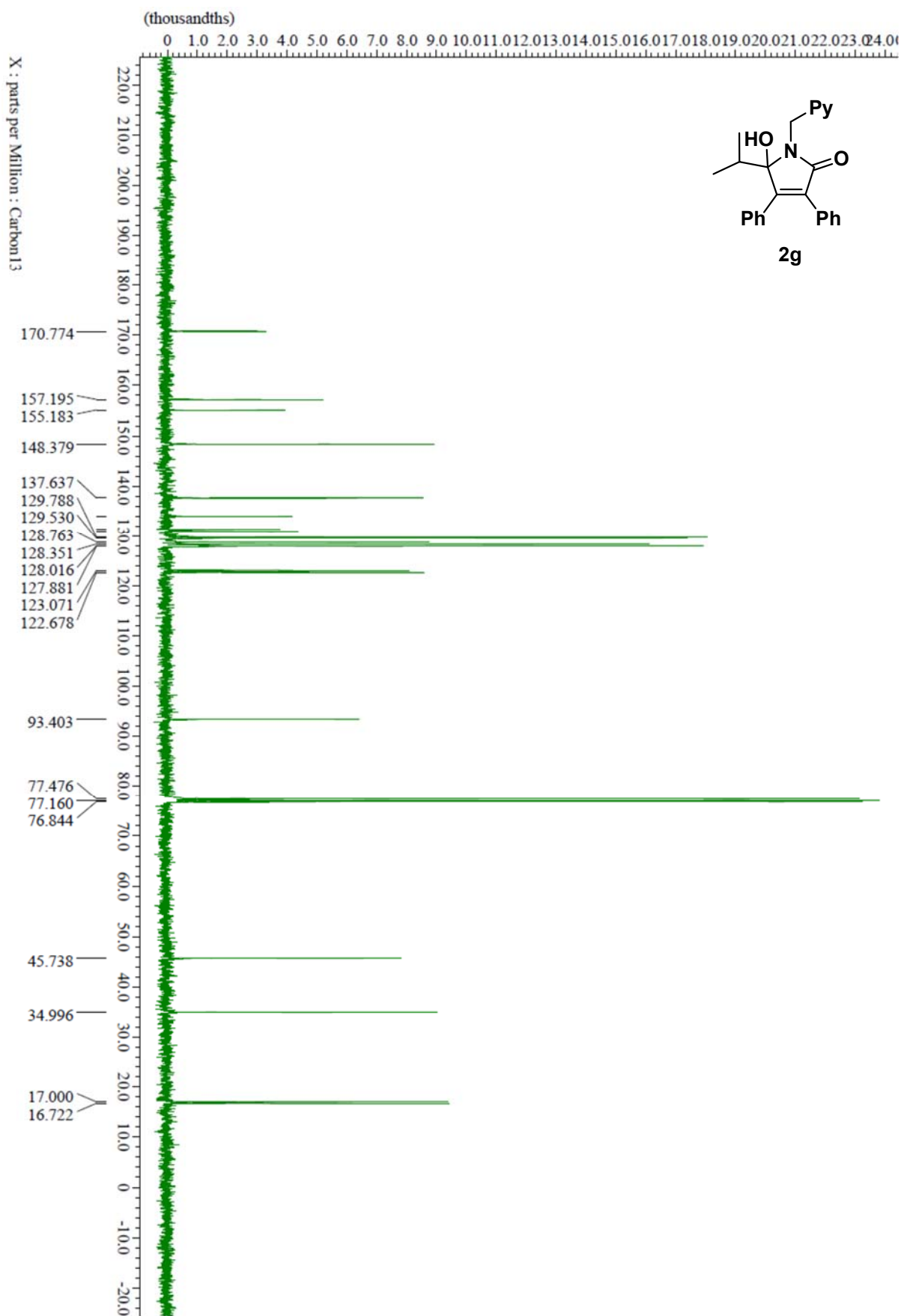
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O1	C1	N1	123.56(14)	O1	C1	C2	129.60(16)
N1	C1	C2	106.80(14)	C1	C2	C3	107.91(14)
C1	C2	C18	122.75(15)	C3	C2	C18	129.33(15)
C2	C3	C4	109.03(14)	C2	C3	C24	125.96(15)
C4	C3	C24	124.92(15)	N1	C4	C3	105.62(14)
N1	C4	C5	130.97(14)	C3	C4	C5	123.39(15)
C4	C5	C6	132.40(15)	C5	C6	C7	117.66(14)
C5	C6	C11	123.90(14)	C7	C6	C11	118.16(16)
C6	C7	C8	121.05(16)	C7	C8	C9	120.09(17)
C8	C9	C10	119.60(19)	C9	C10	C11	120.54(17)
C6	C11	C10	120.52(16)	N1	C12	C13	114.83(10)
N2	C13	C12	113.01(11)	N2	C13	C17	123.07(14)
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C14	C15	C16	118.44(15)	C15	C16	C17	119.04(12)
C13	C17	C16	118.43(14)	C2	C18	C19	120.52(14)
C2	C18	C23	120.69(17)	C19	C18	C23	118.79(15)
C18	C19	C20	119.96(15)	C19	C20	C21	120.4(2)
C20	C21	C22	120.03(17)	C21	C22	C23	119.82(16)
C18	C23	C22	121.03(19)	C3	C24	C25	118.24(16)
C3	C24	C29	122.70(15)	C25	C24	C29	118.98(15)
C24	C25	C26	120.29(18)	C25	C26	C27	120.63(17)
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C24	C29	C28	120.36(17)				

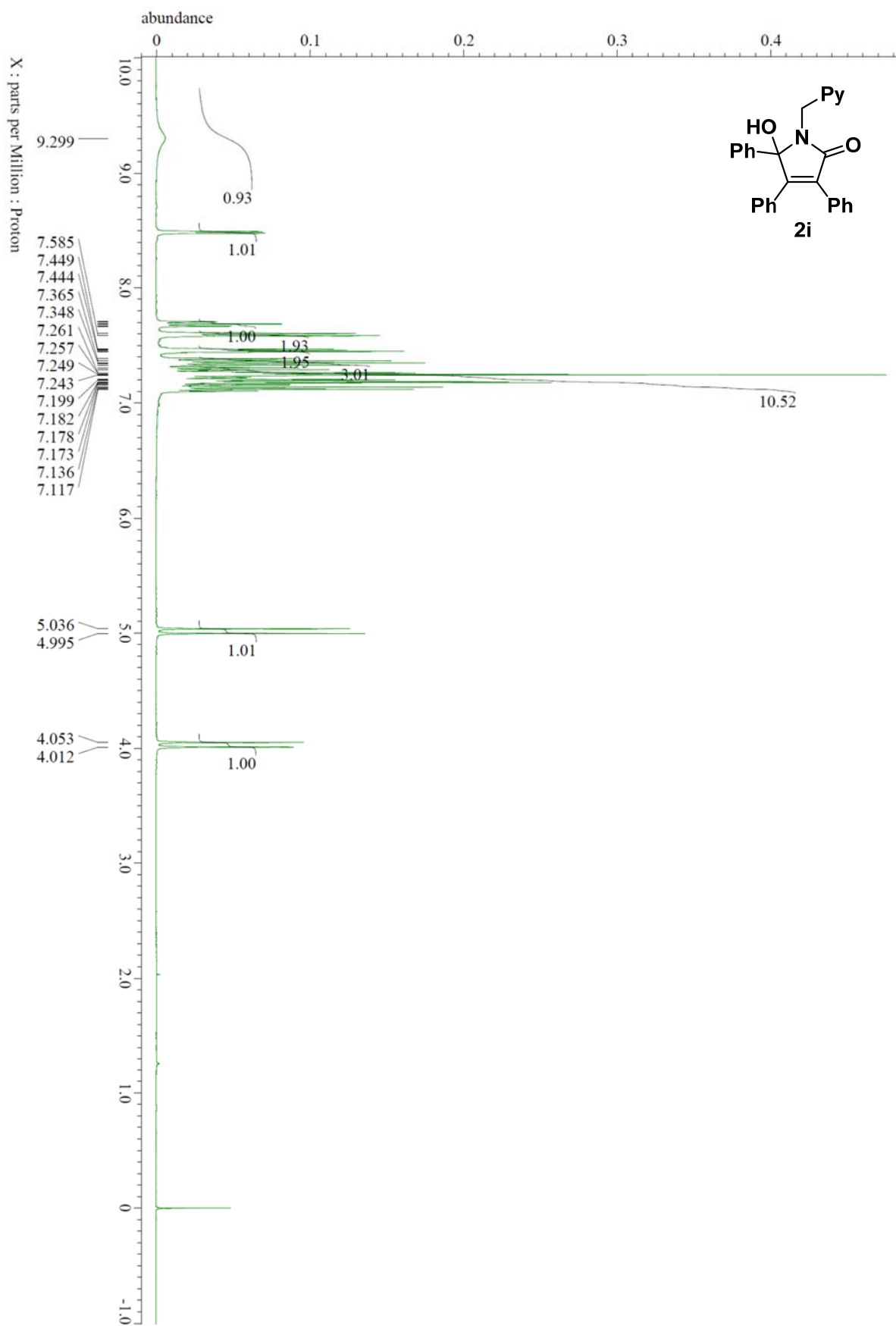
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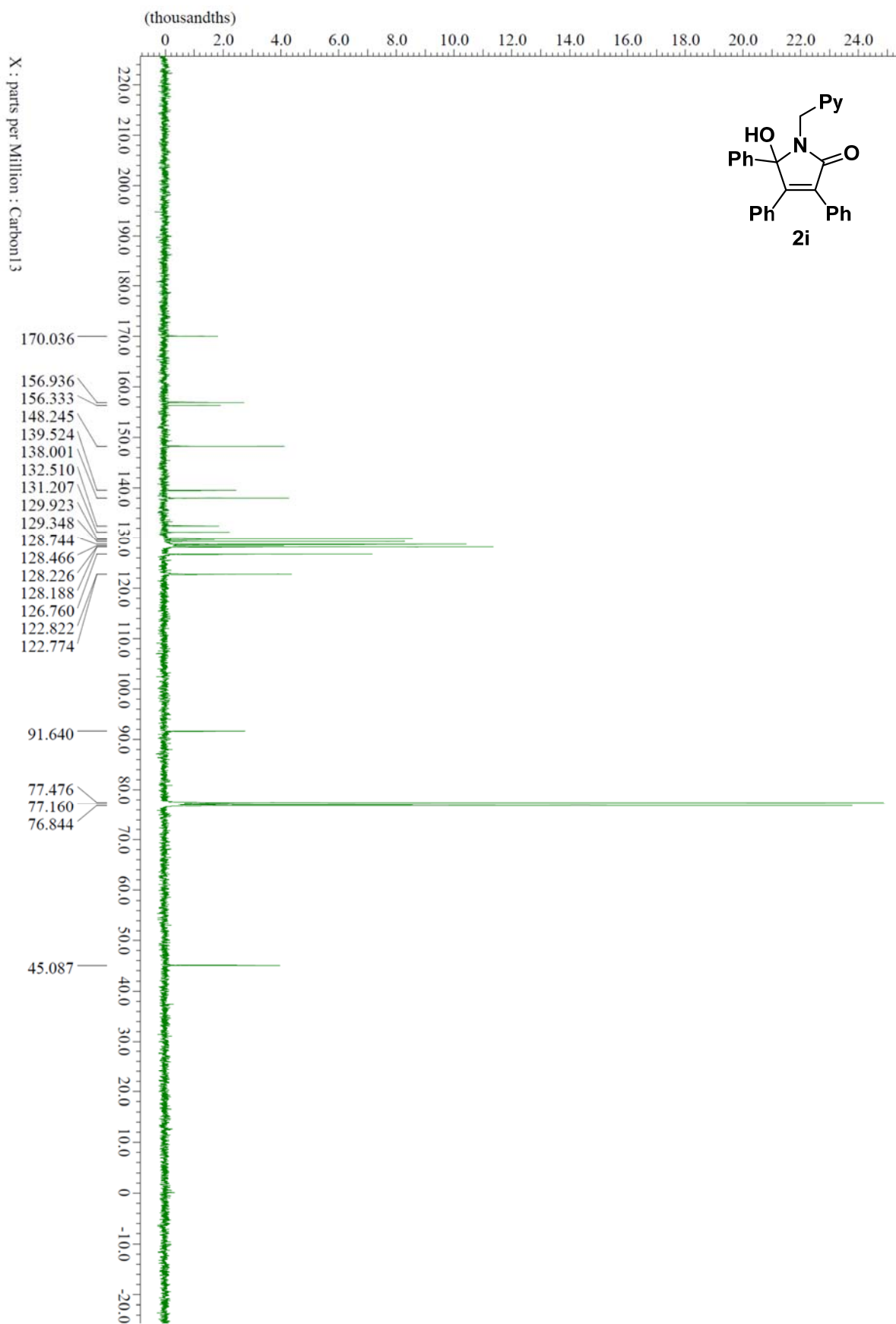


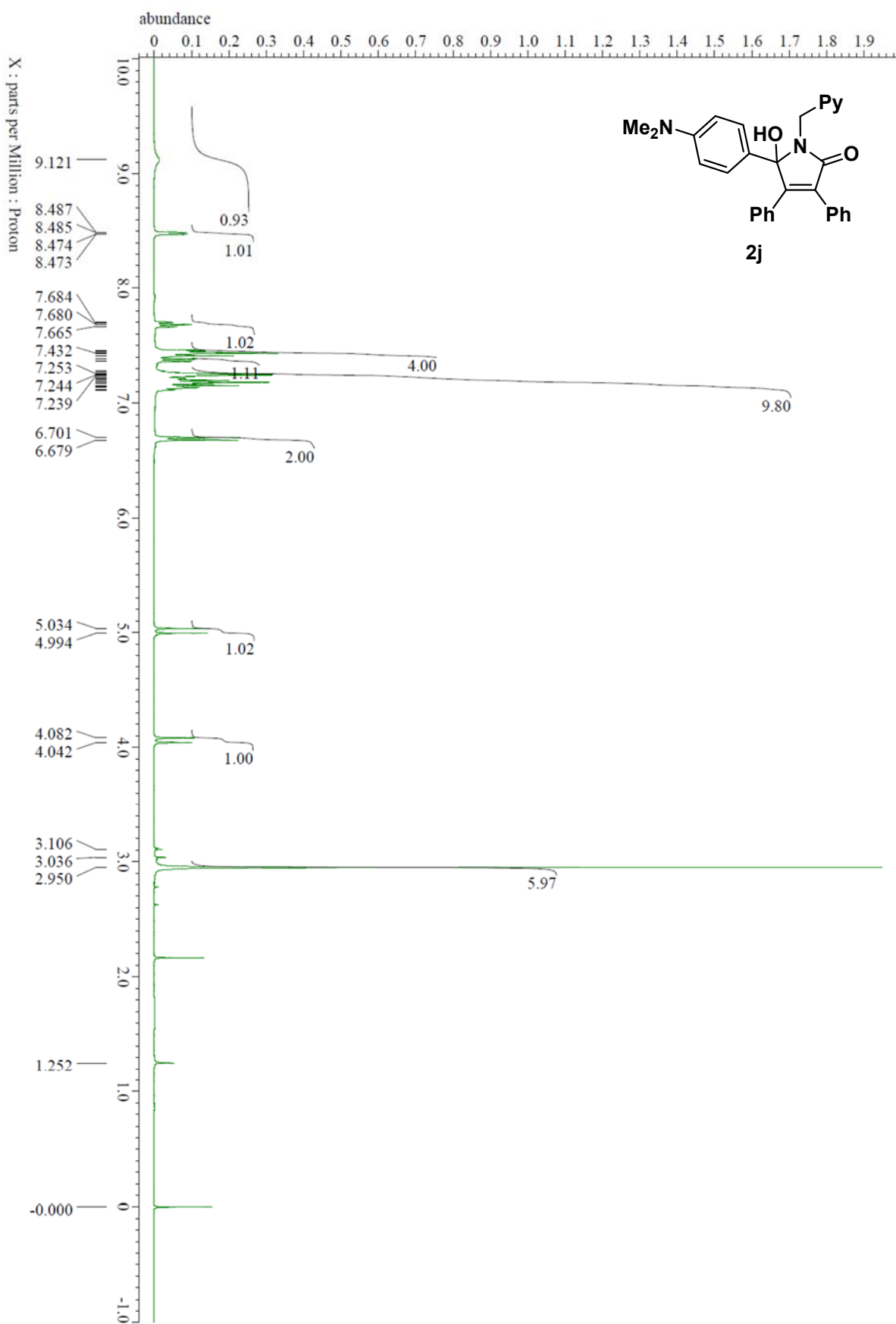


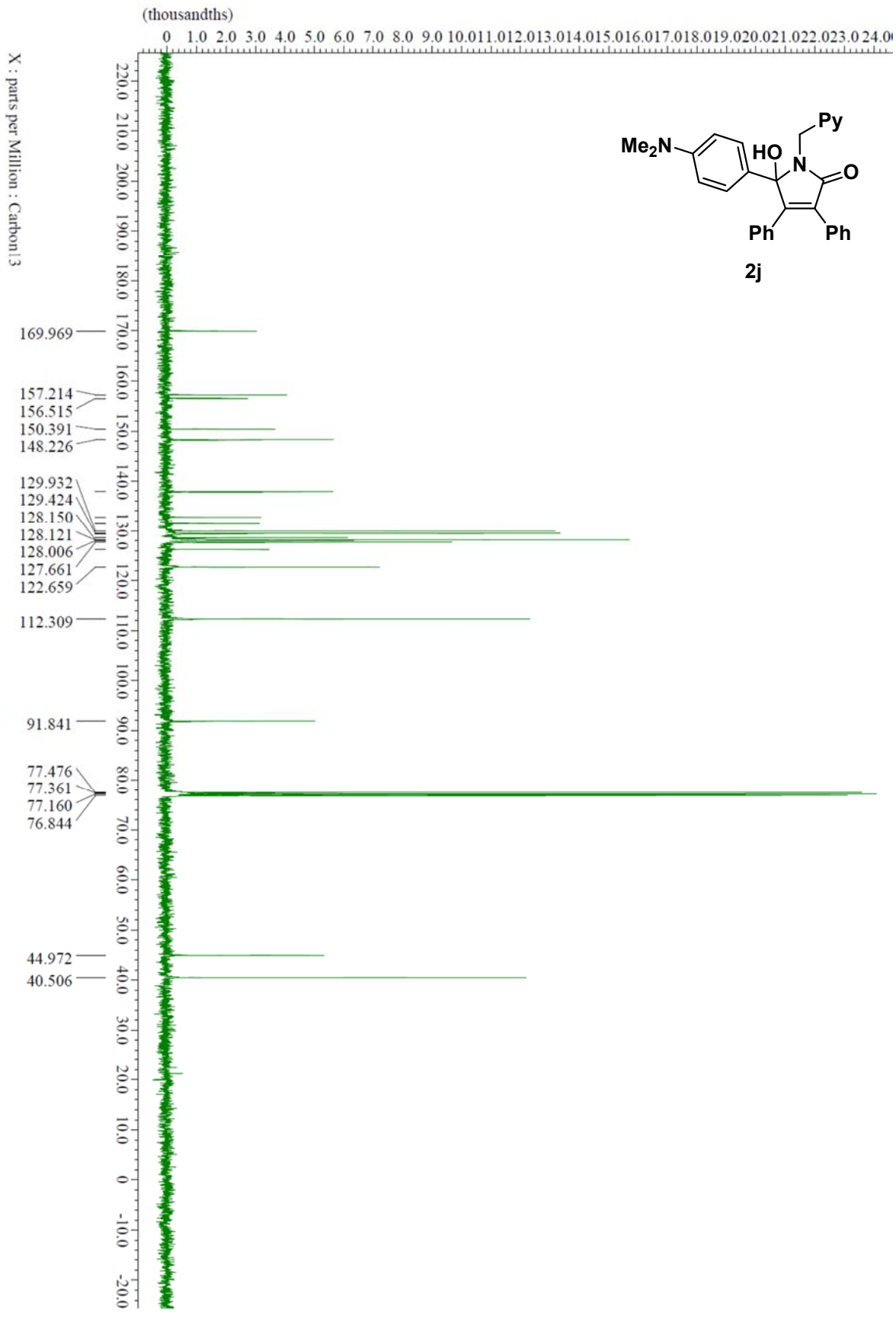


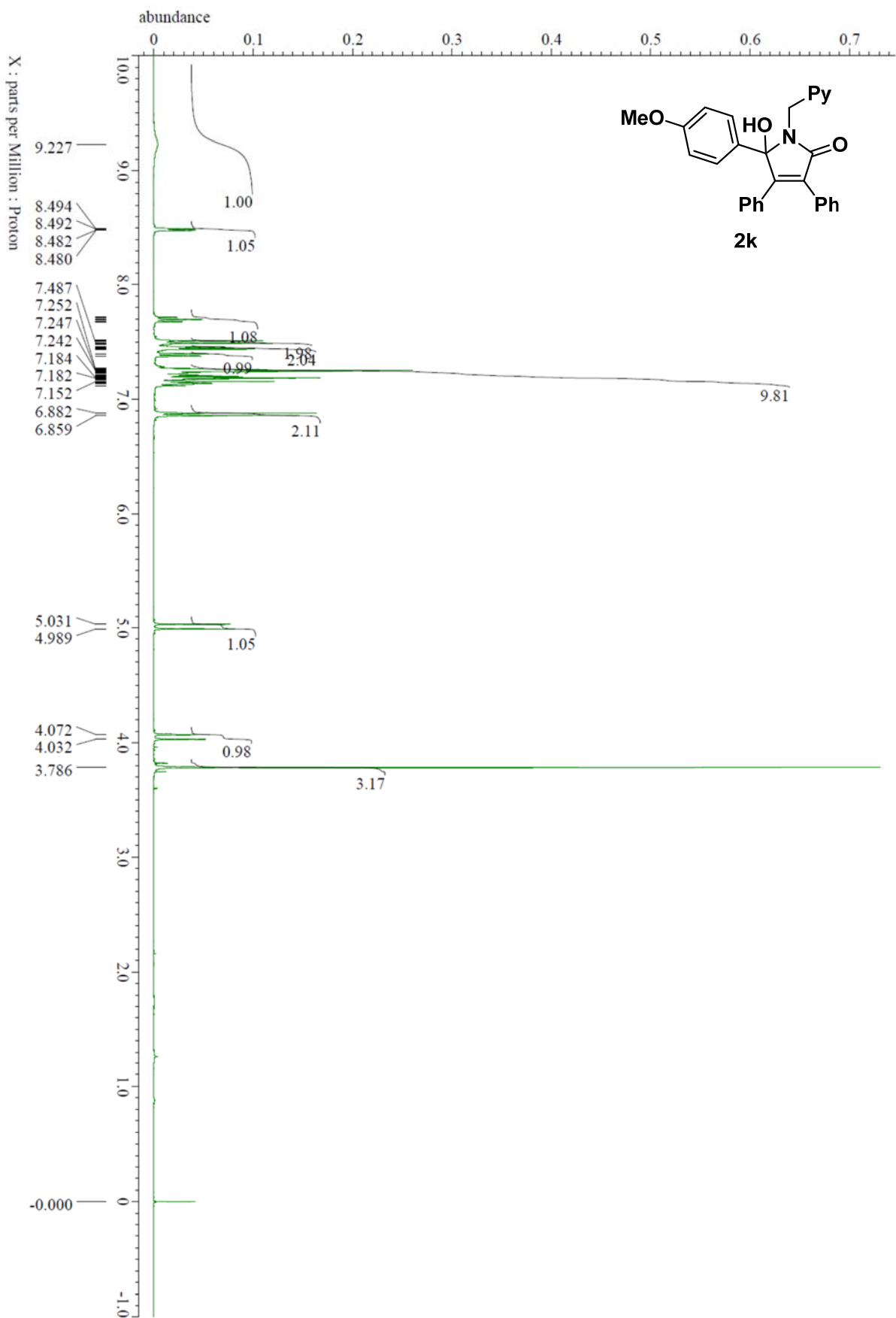


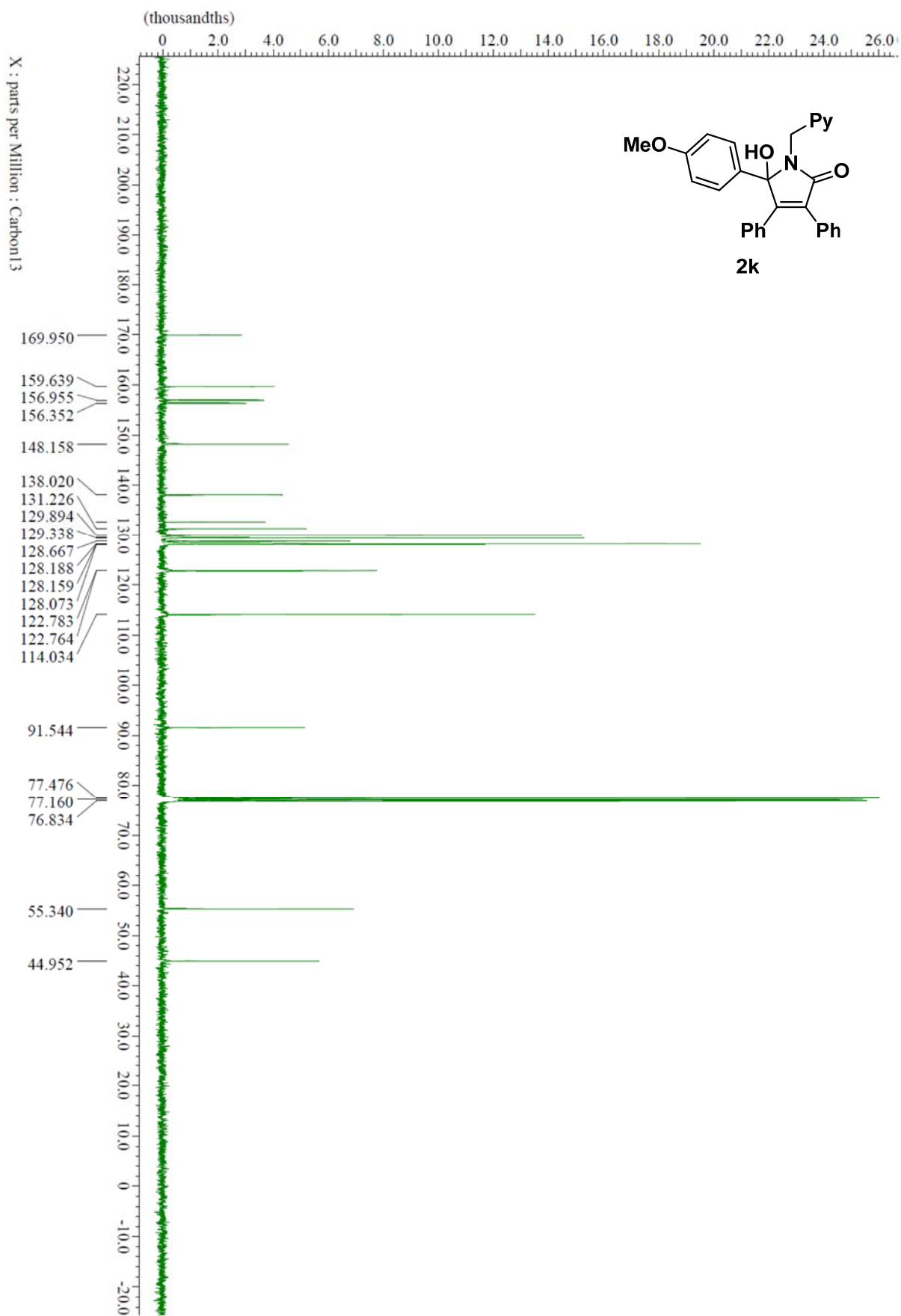


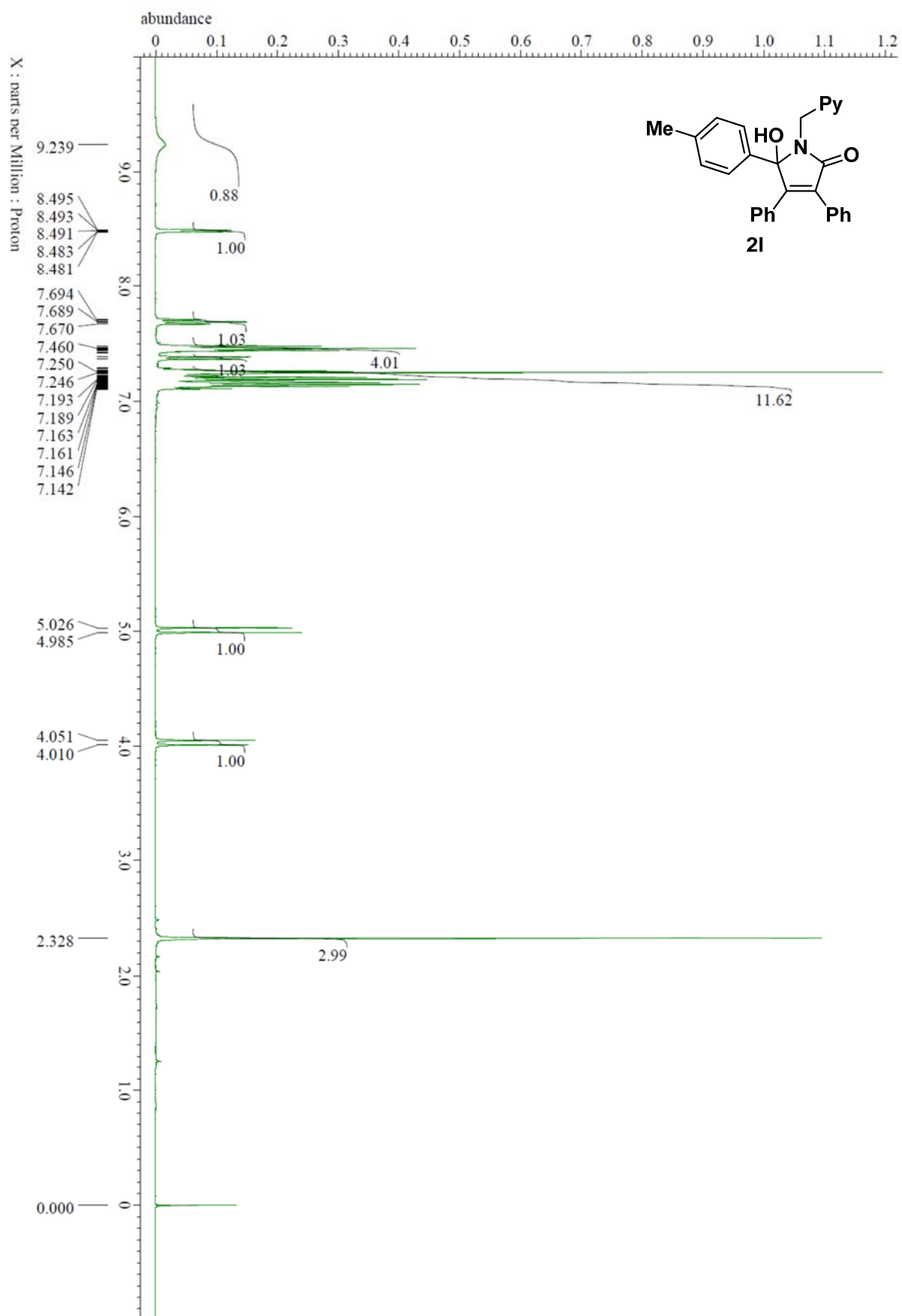


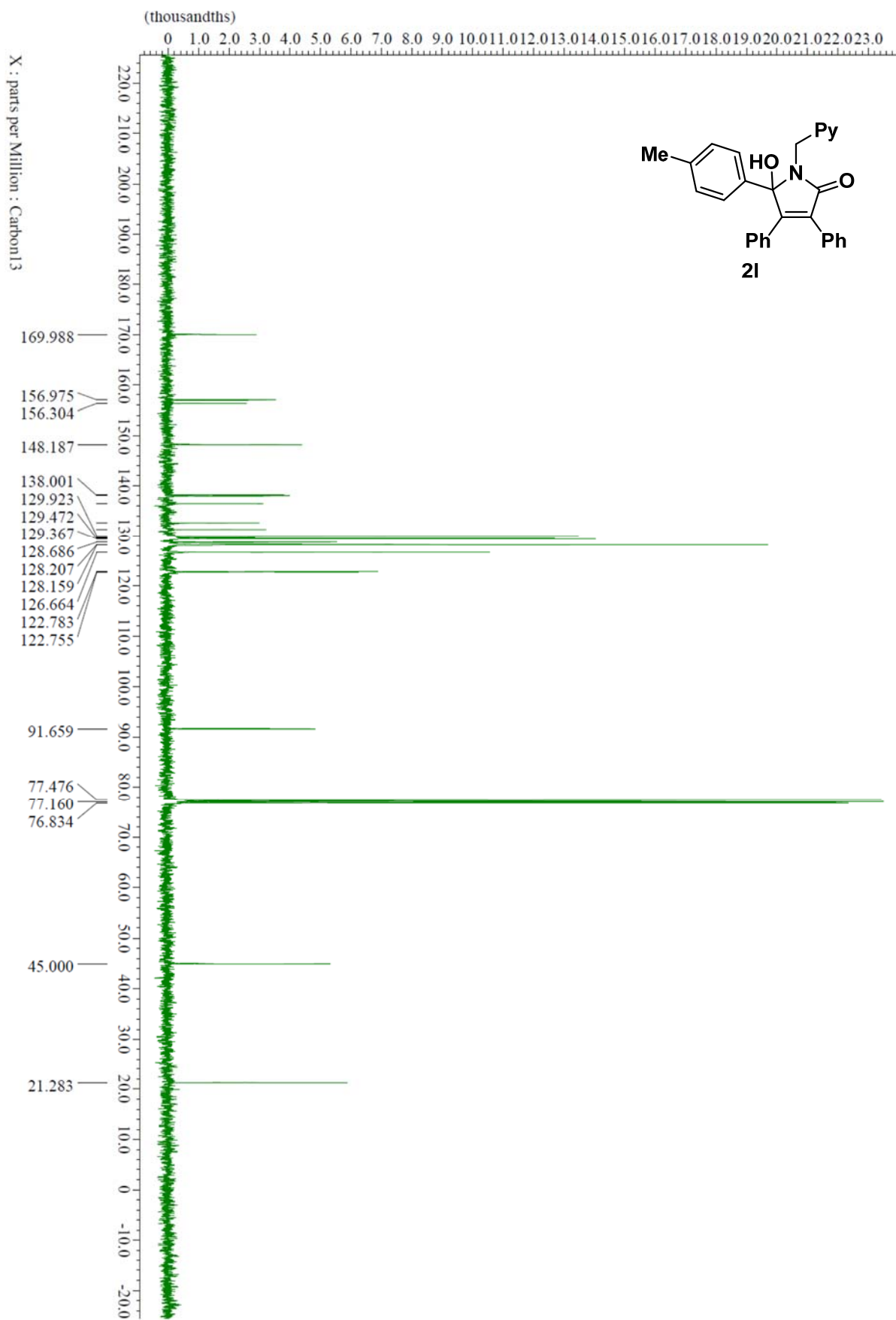


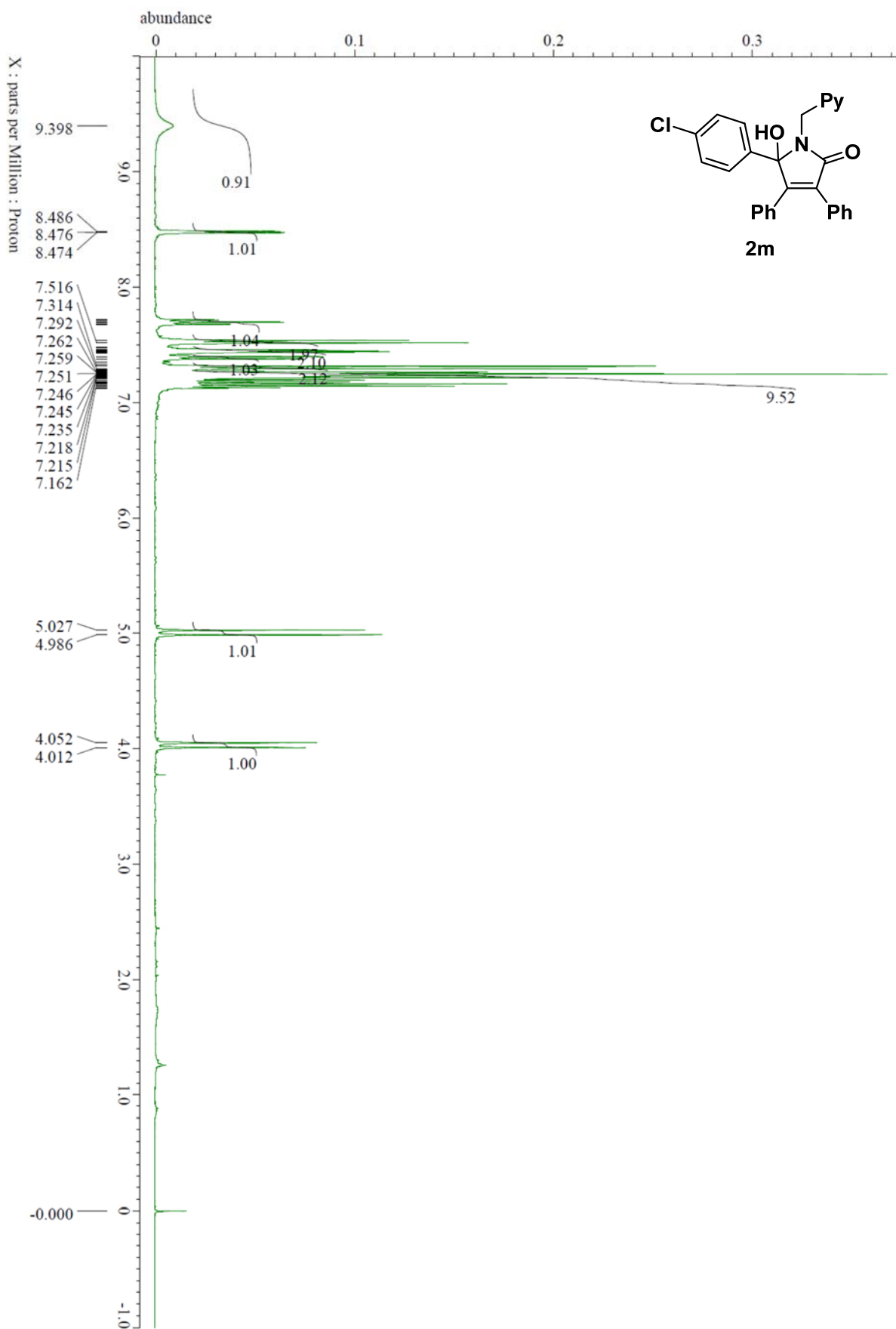


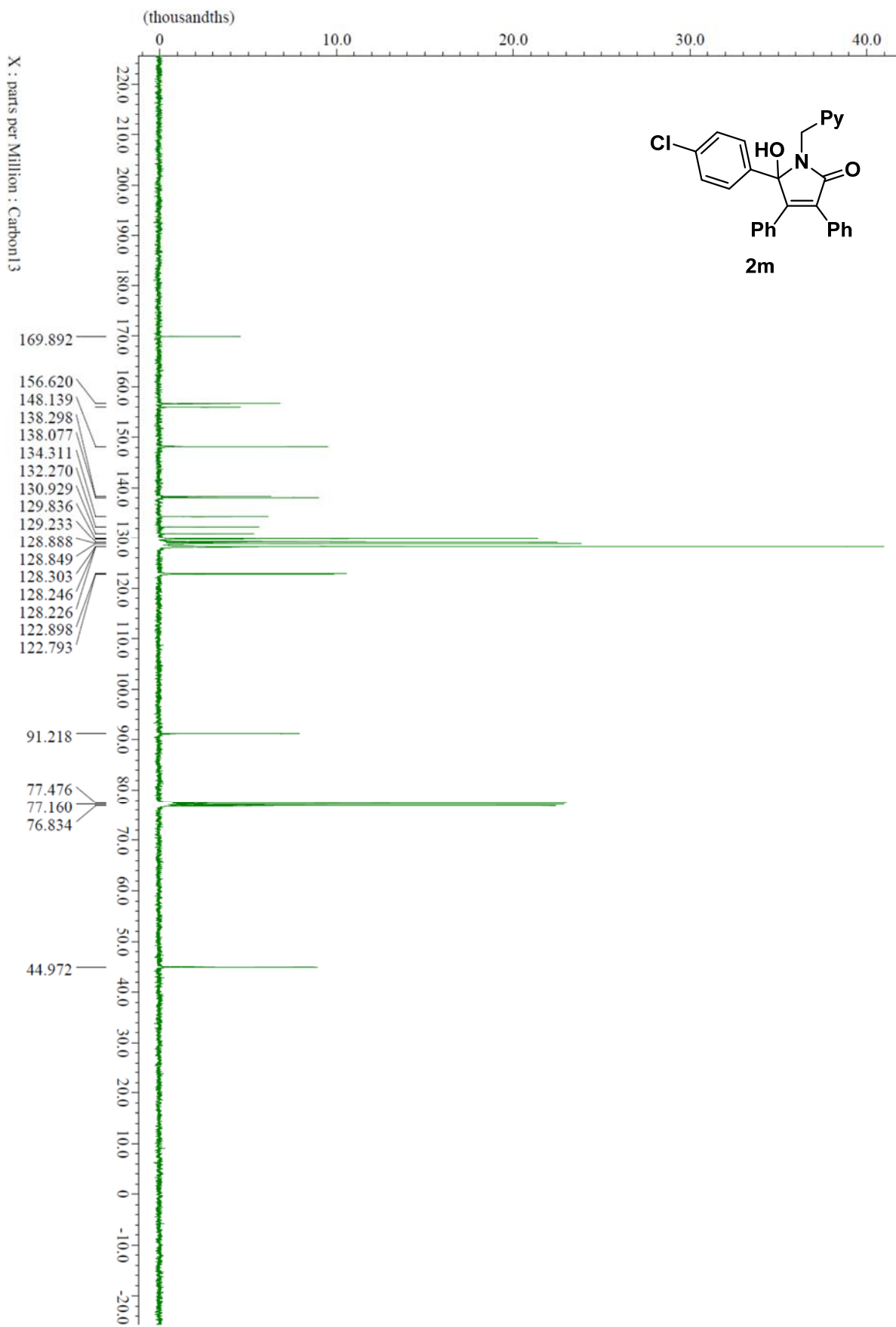


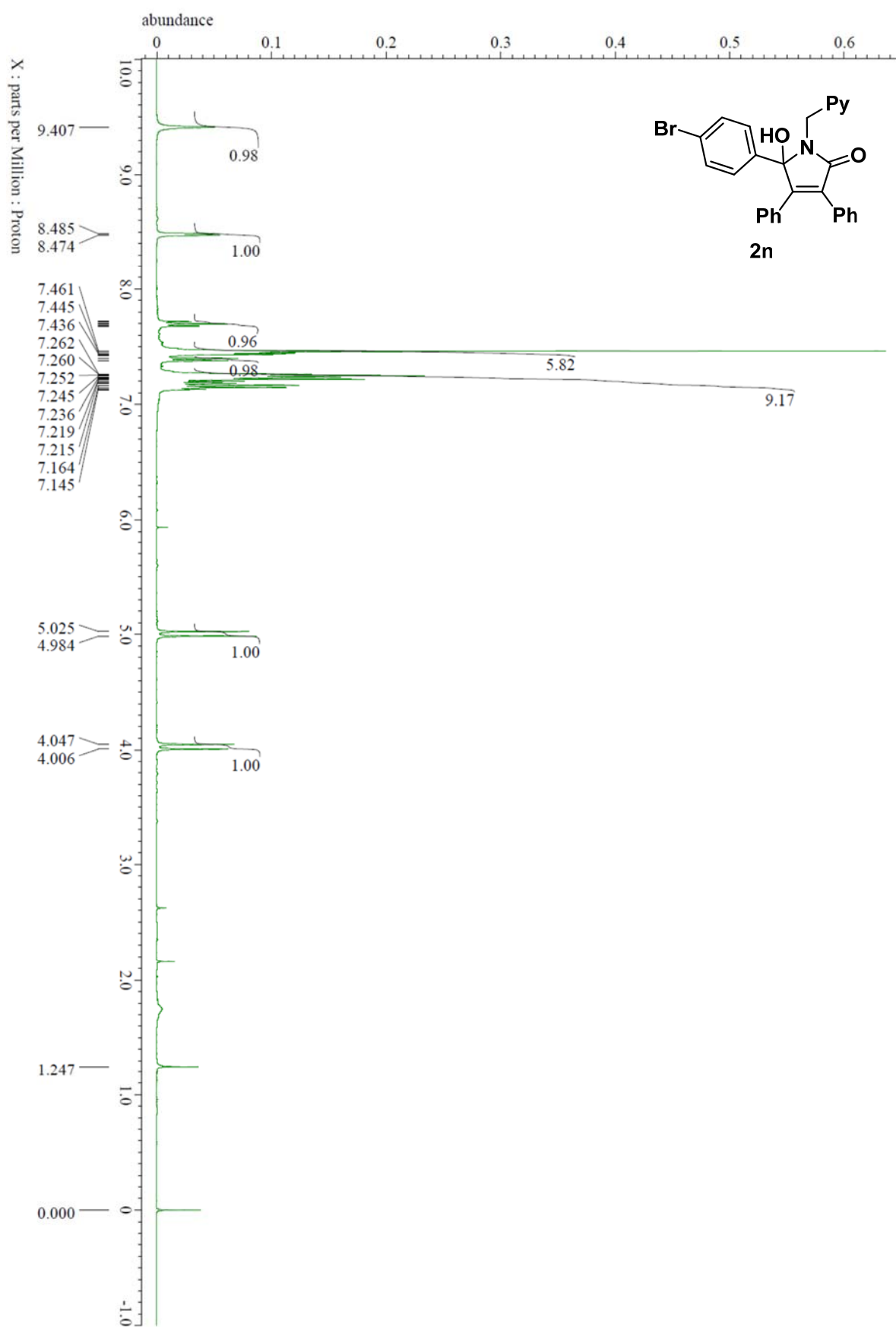


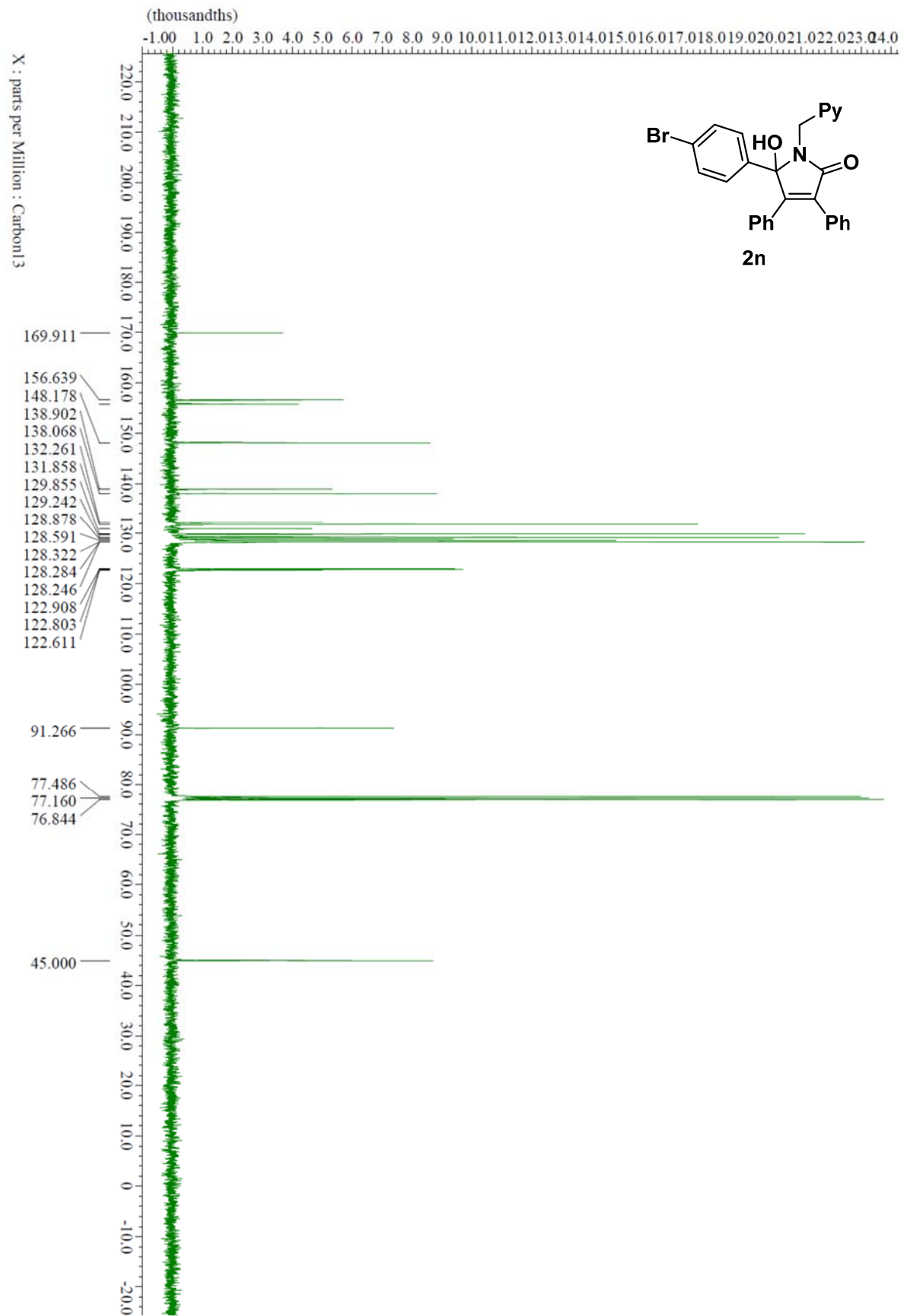


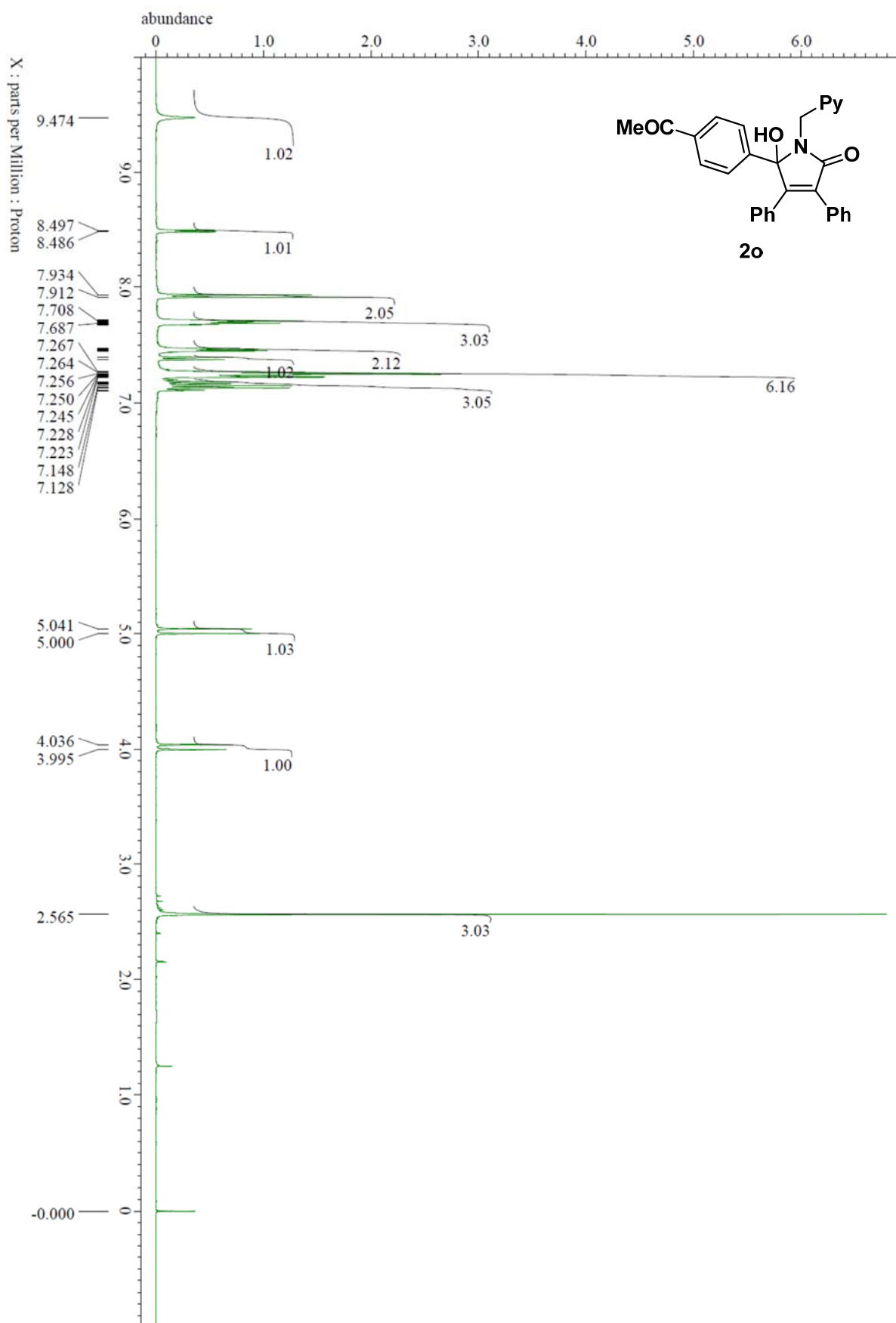


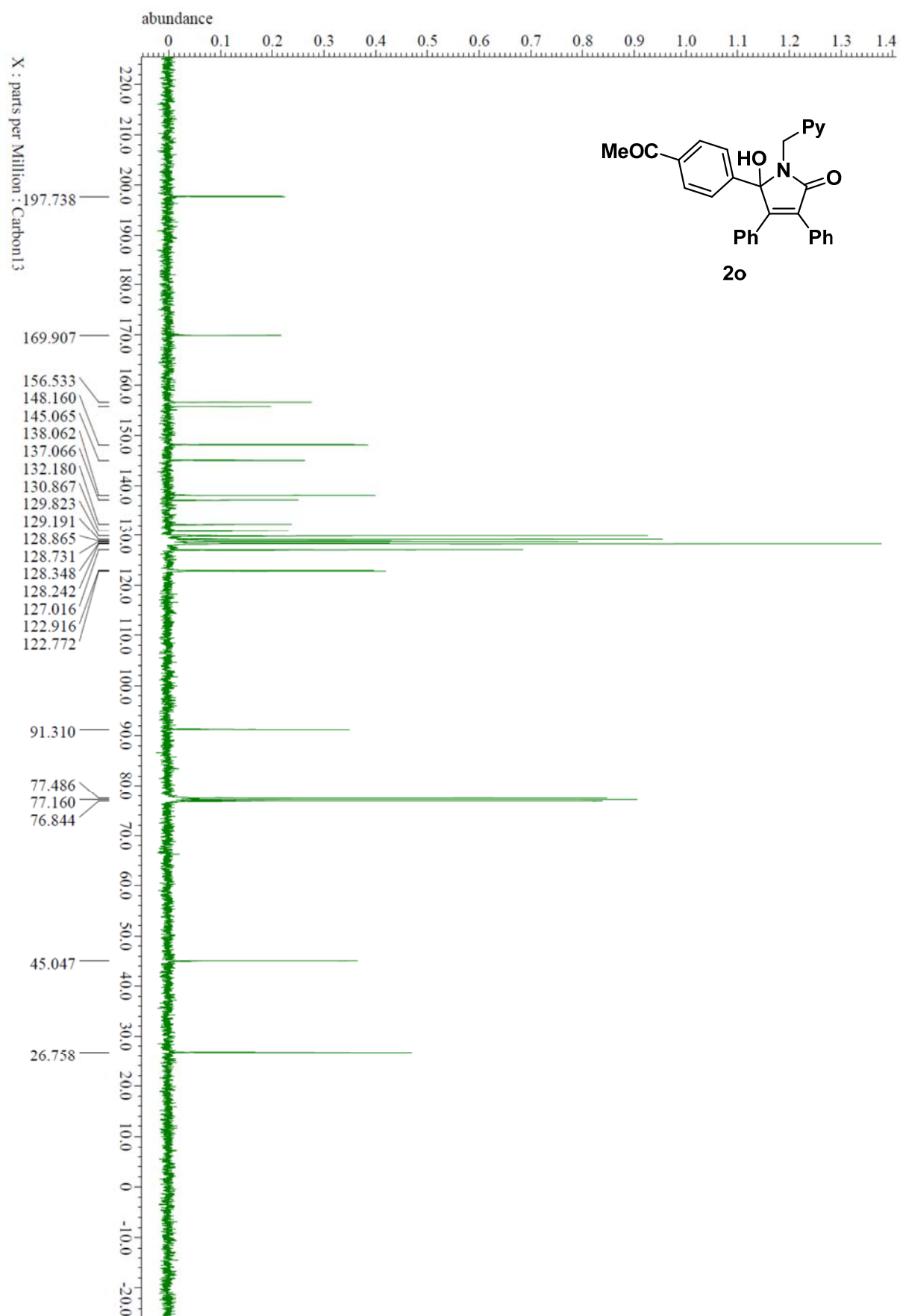


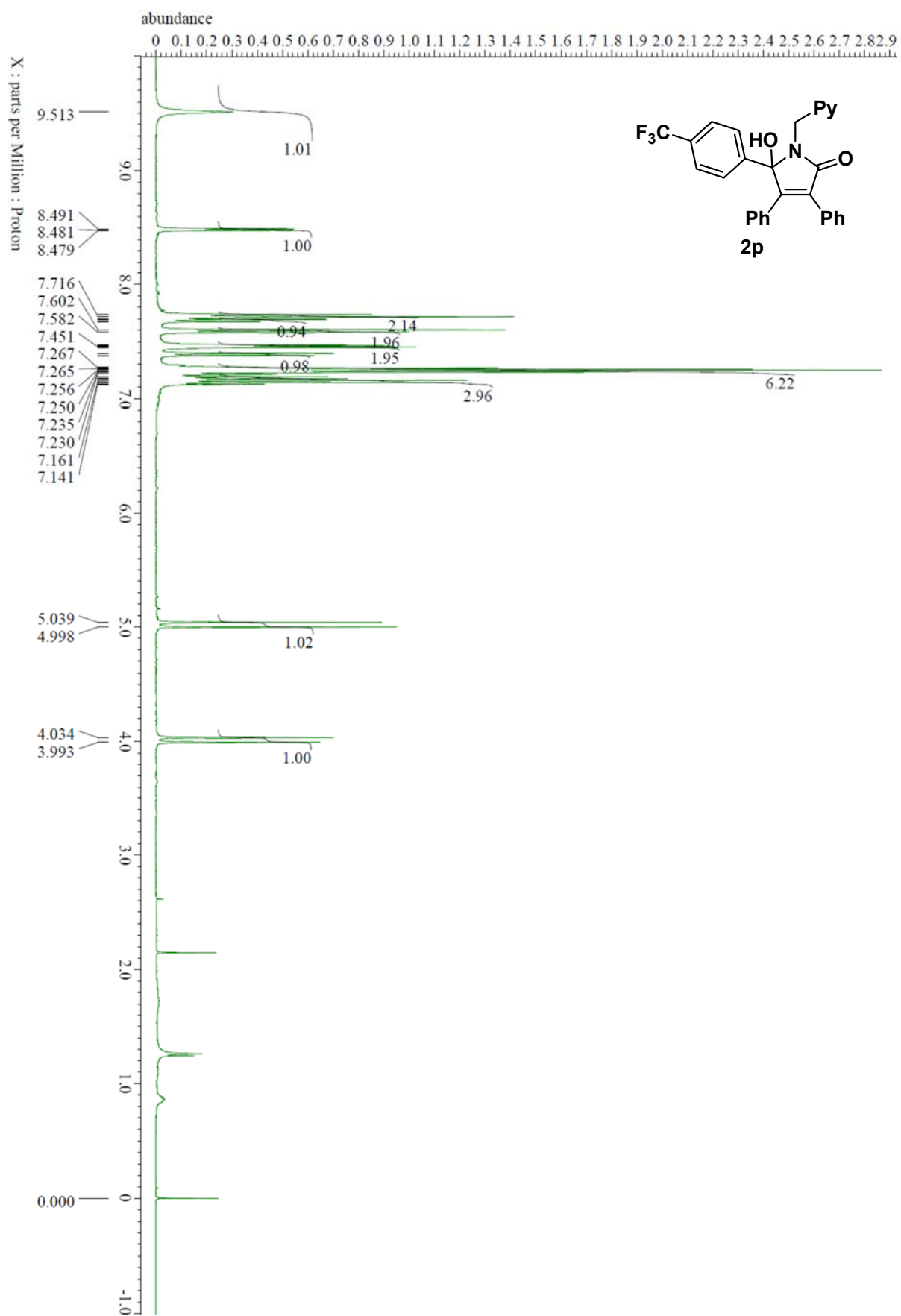




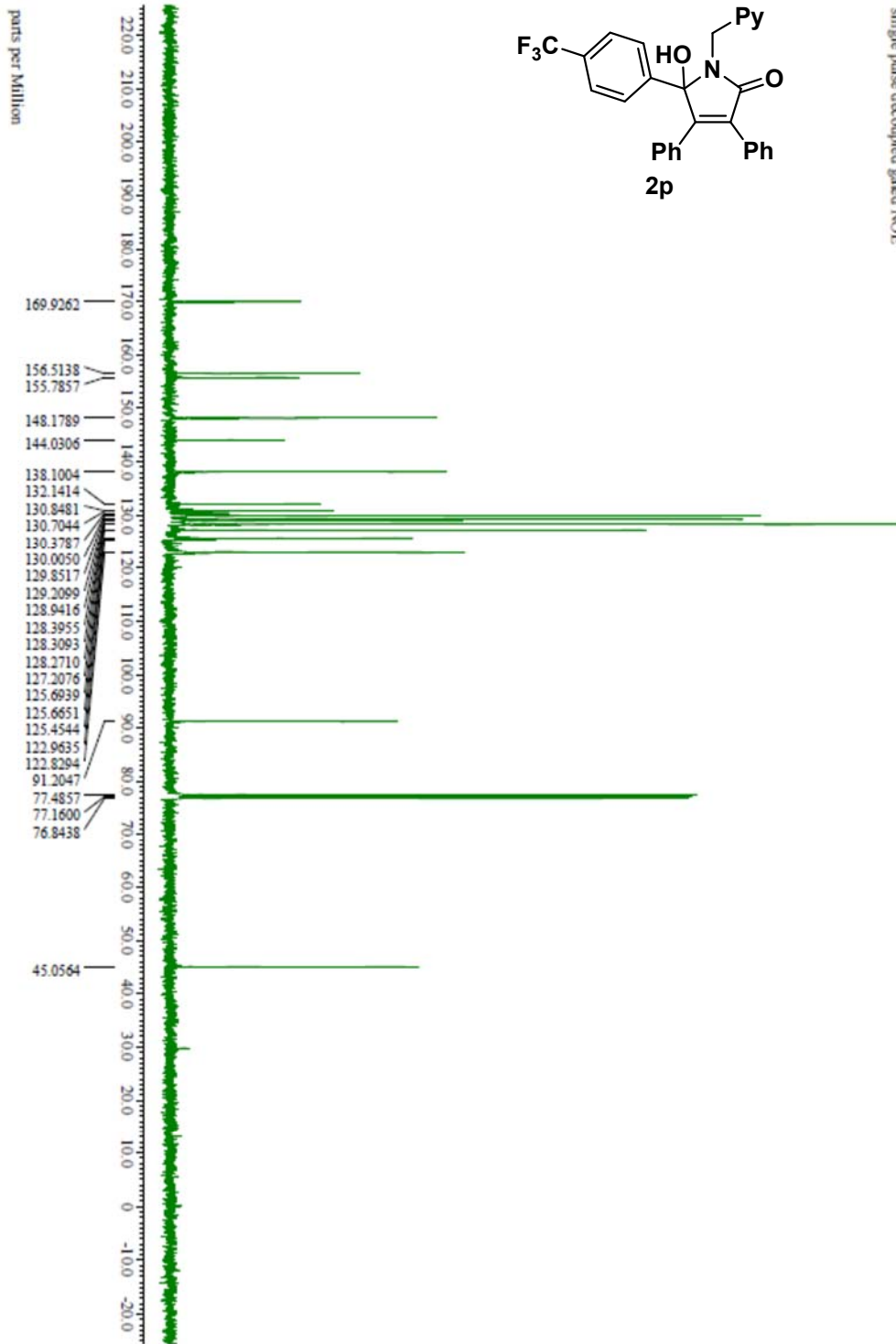
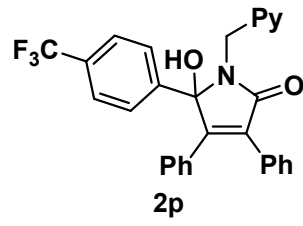


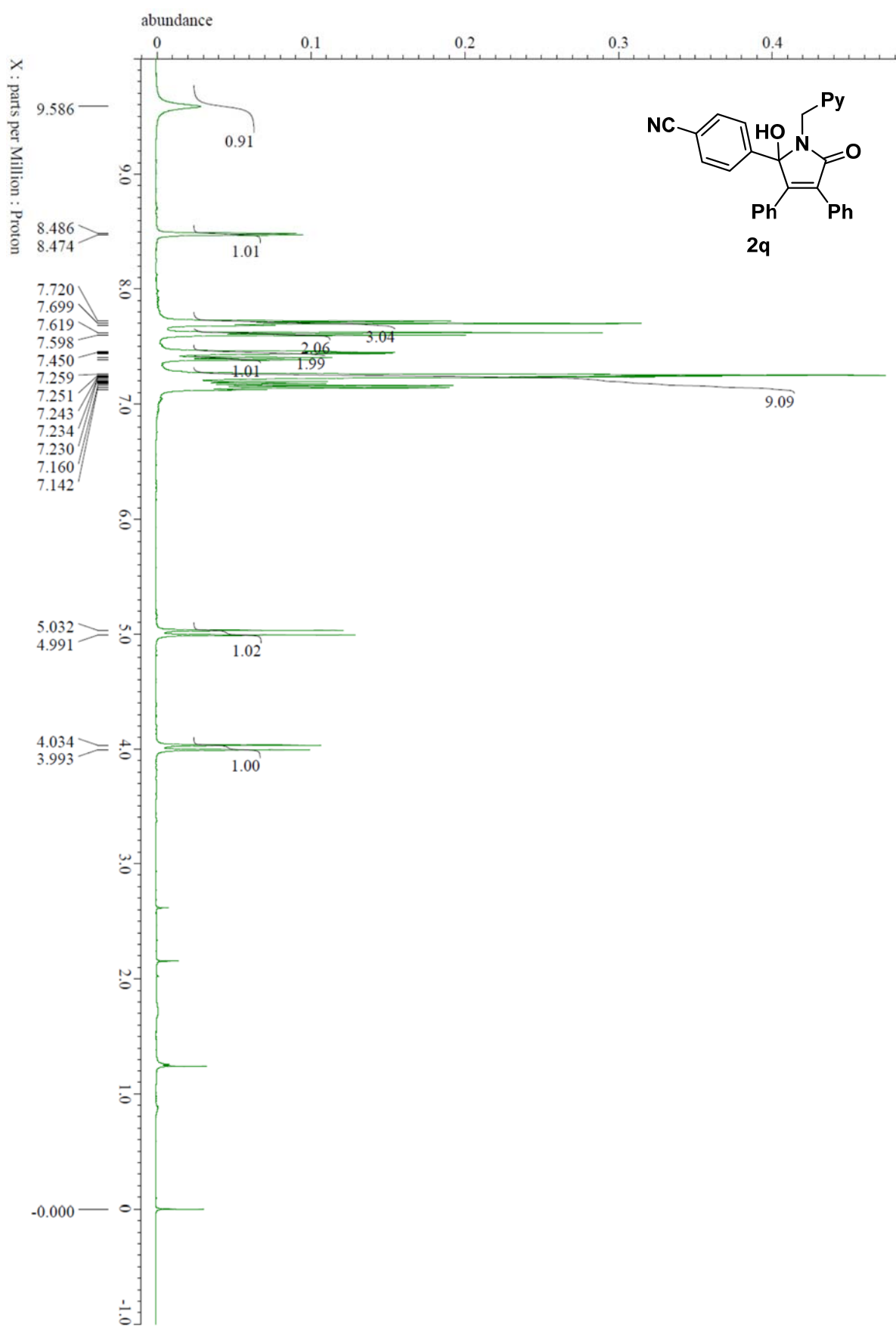


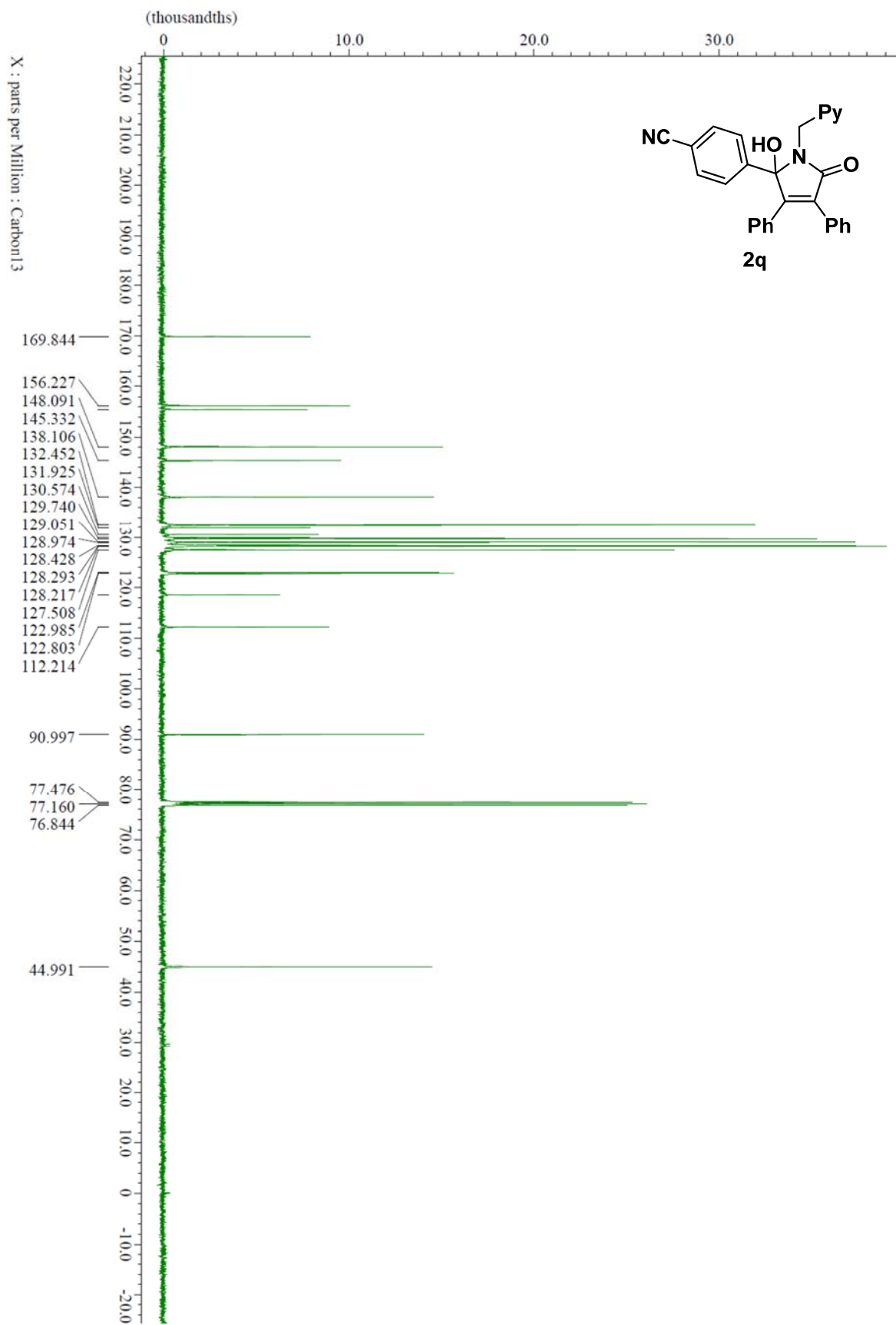


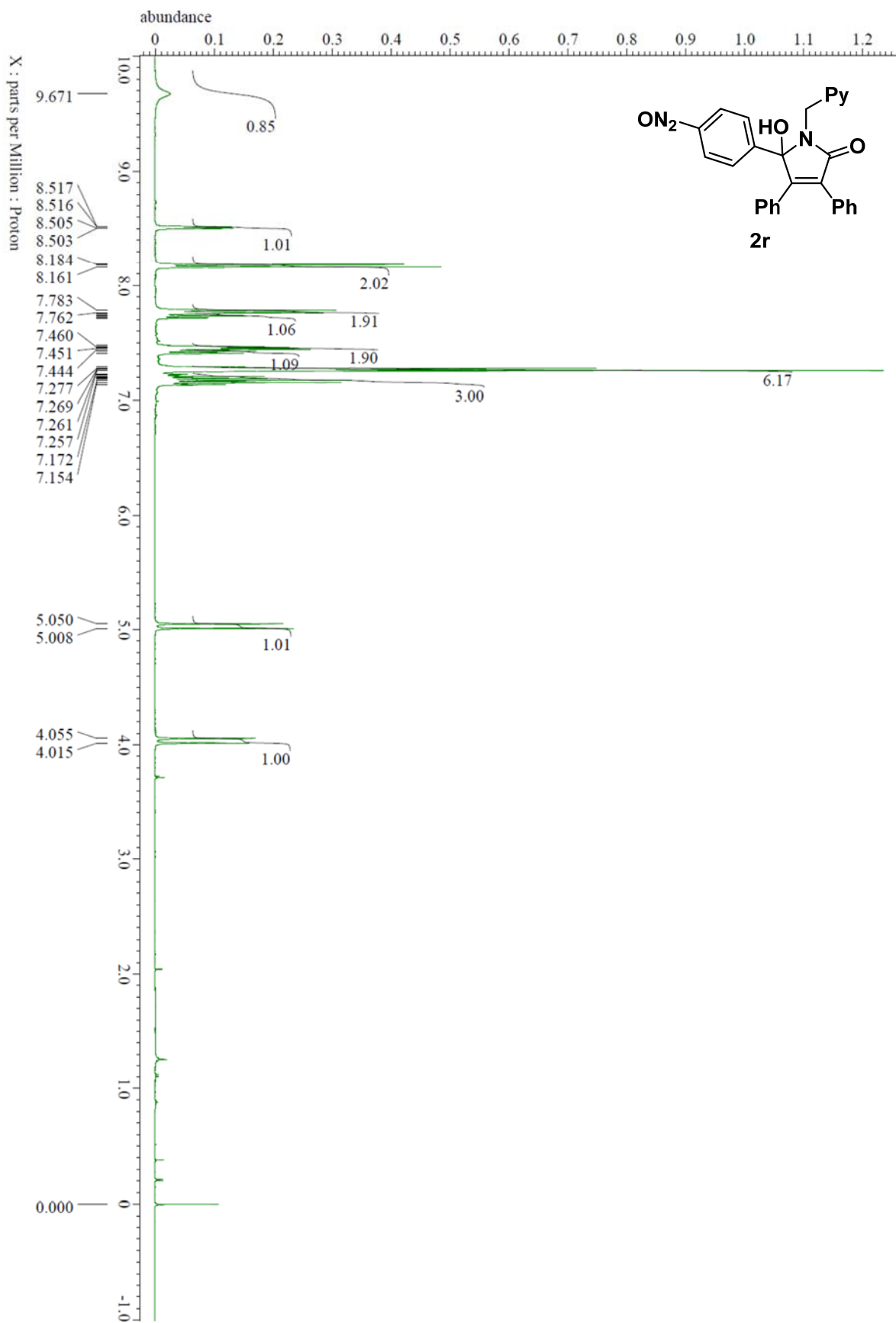


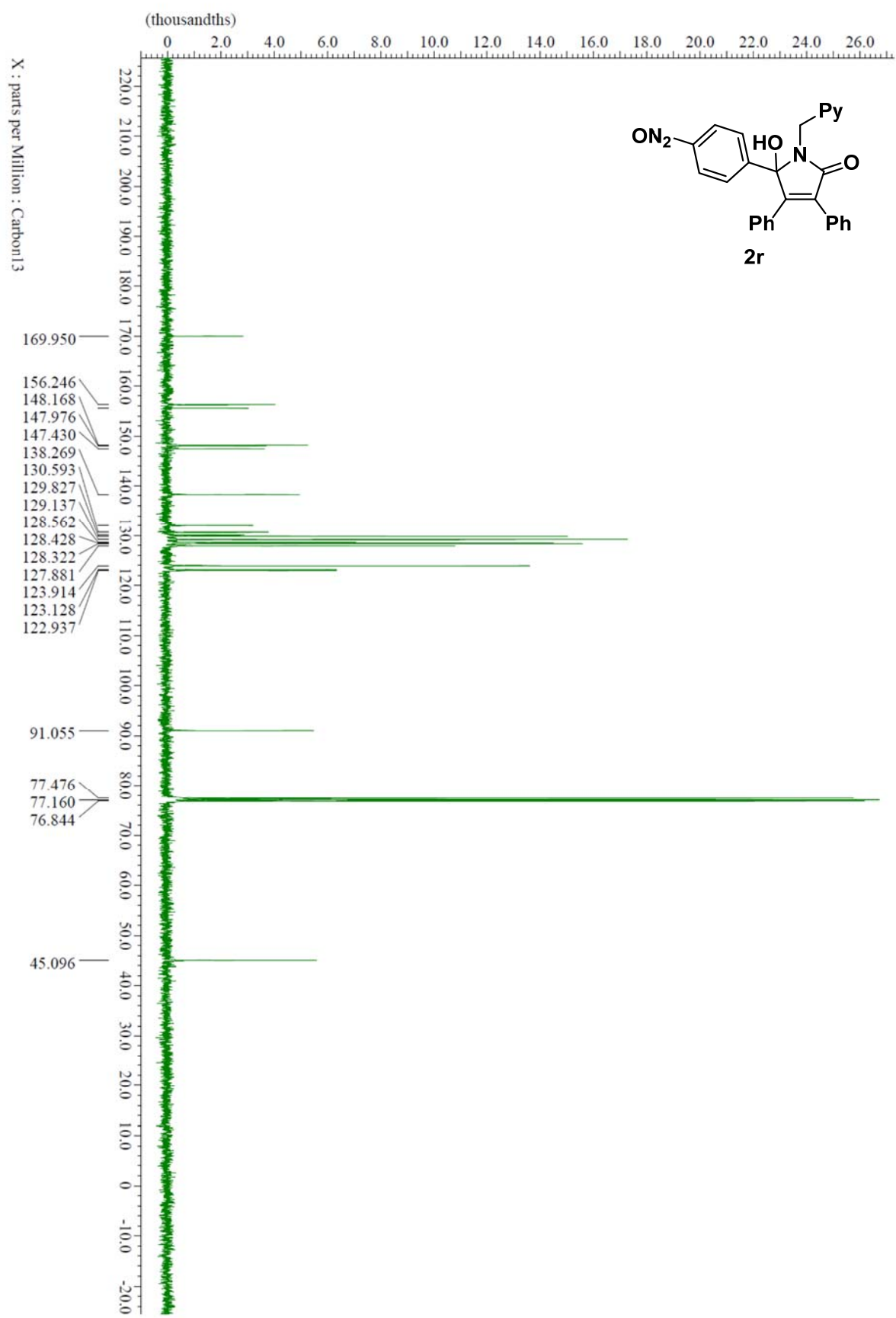
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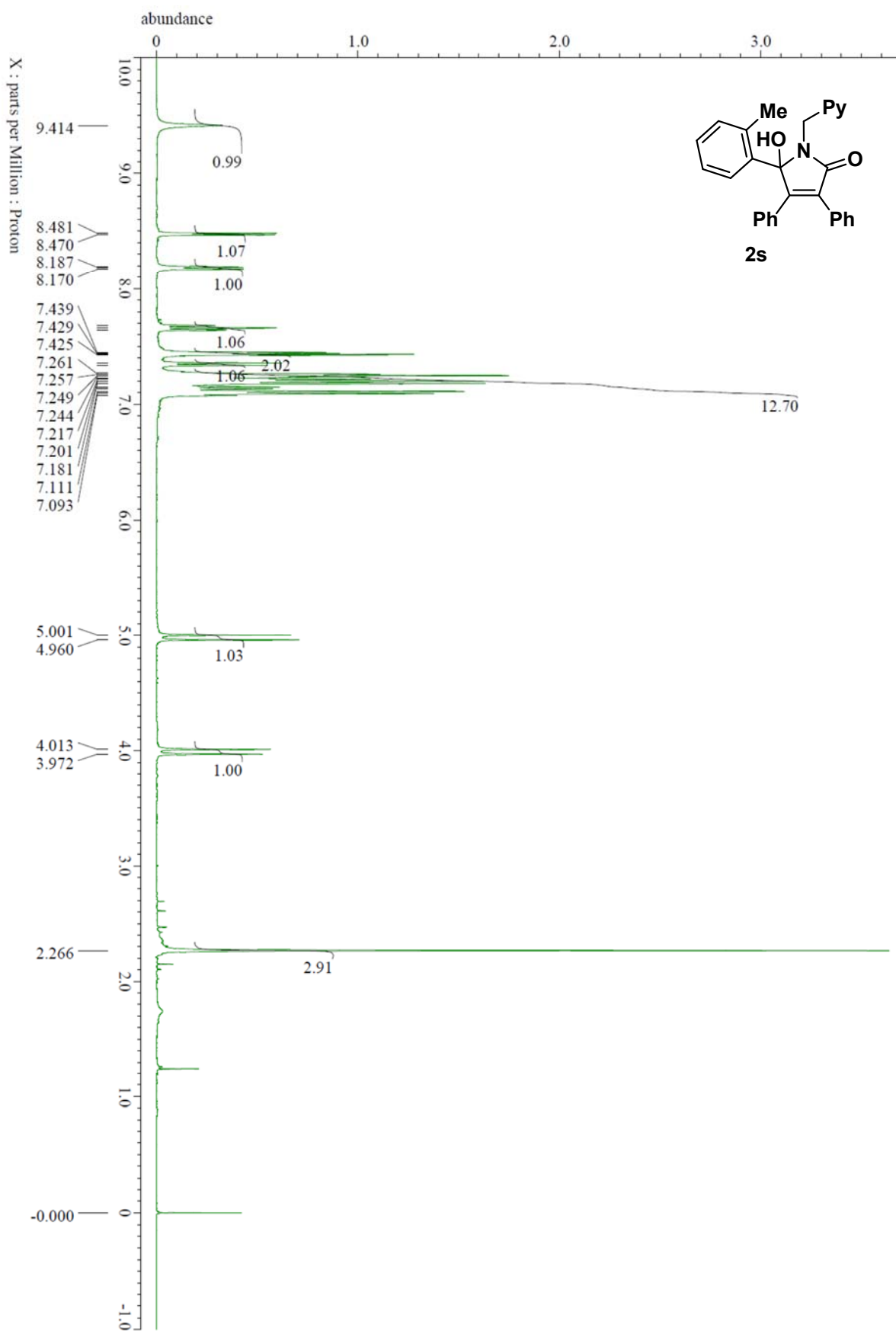


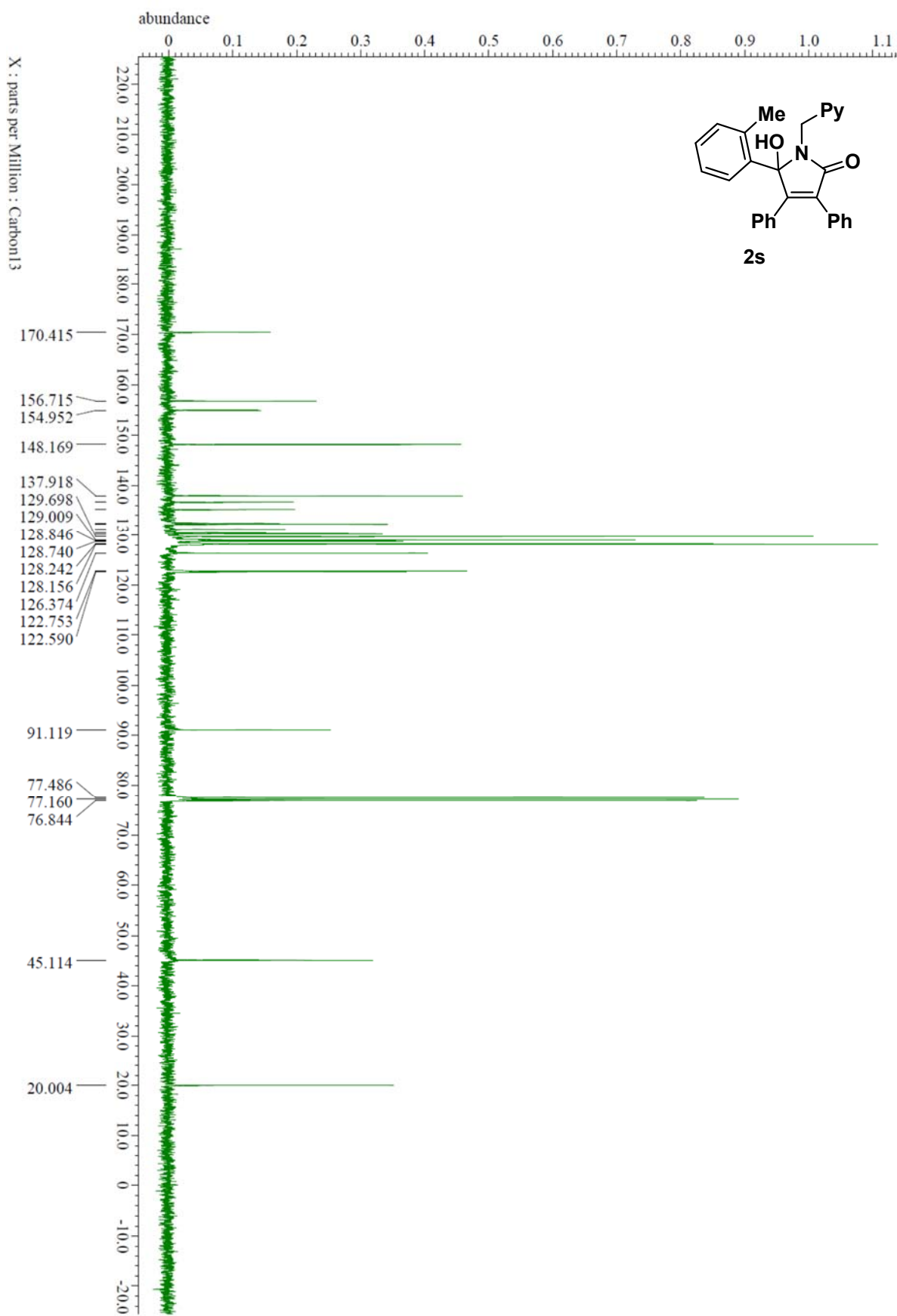


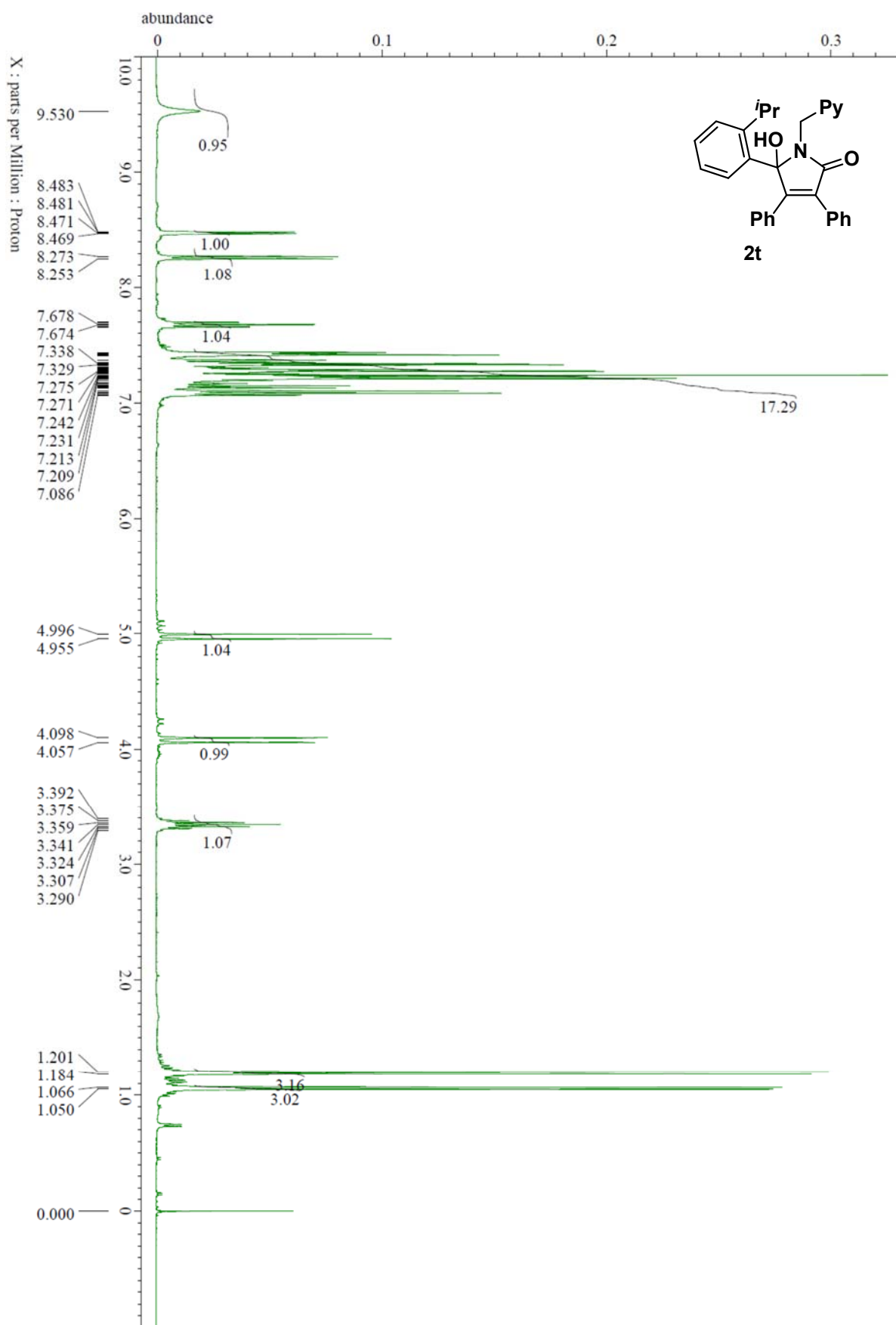


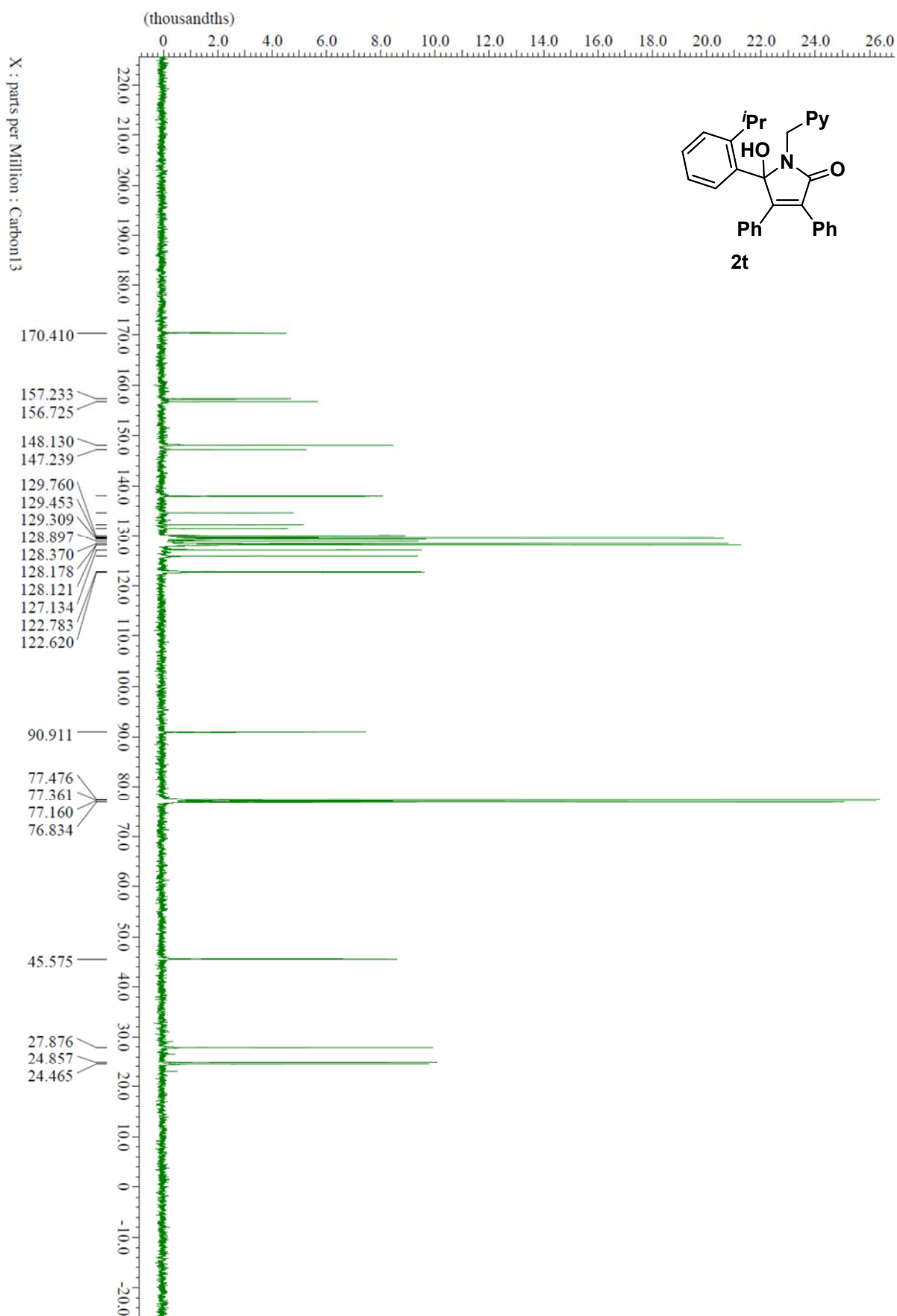


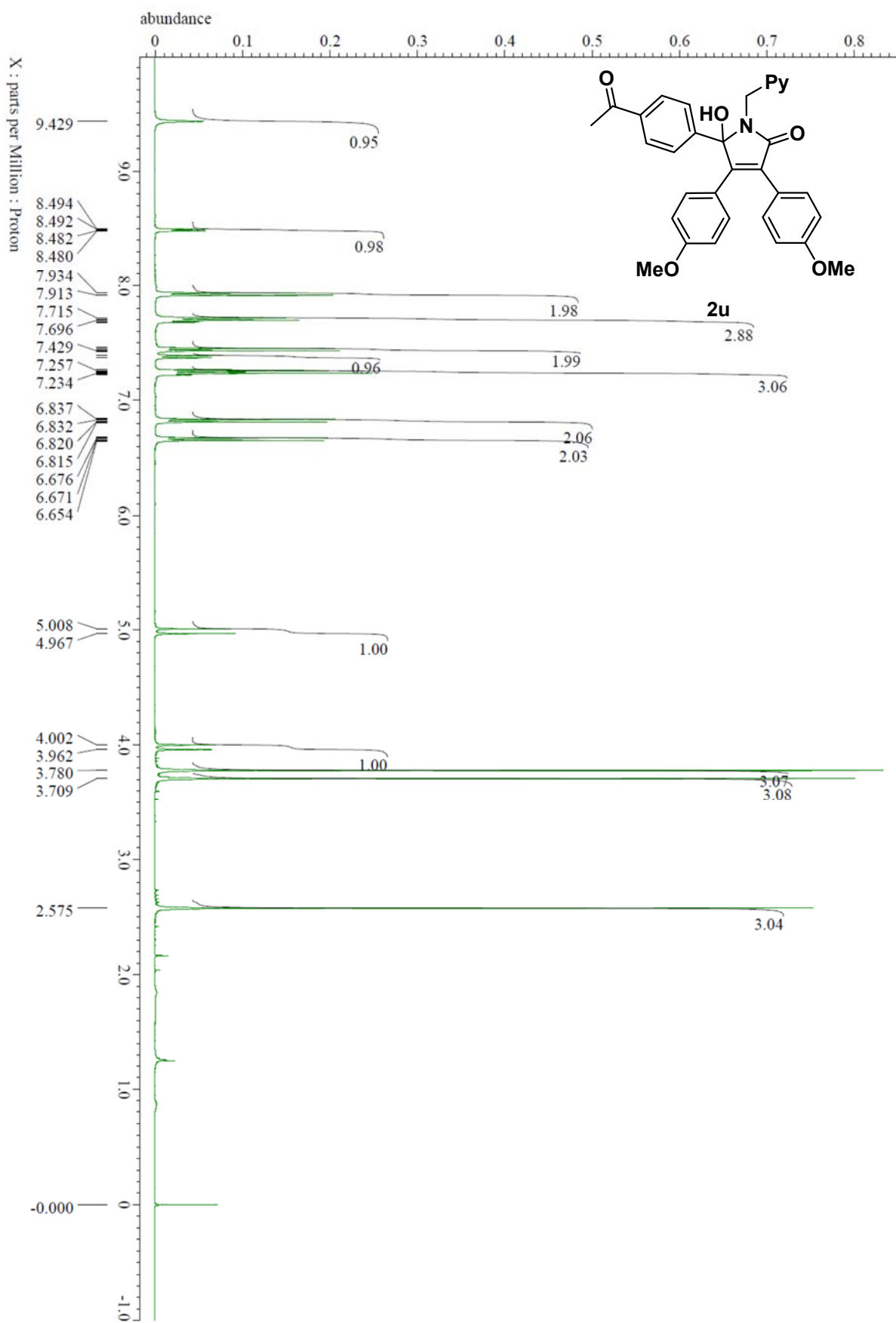


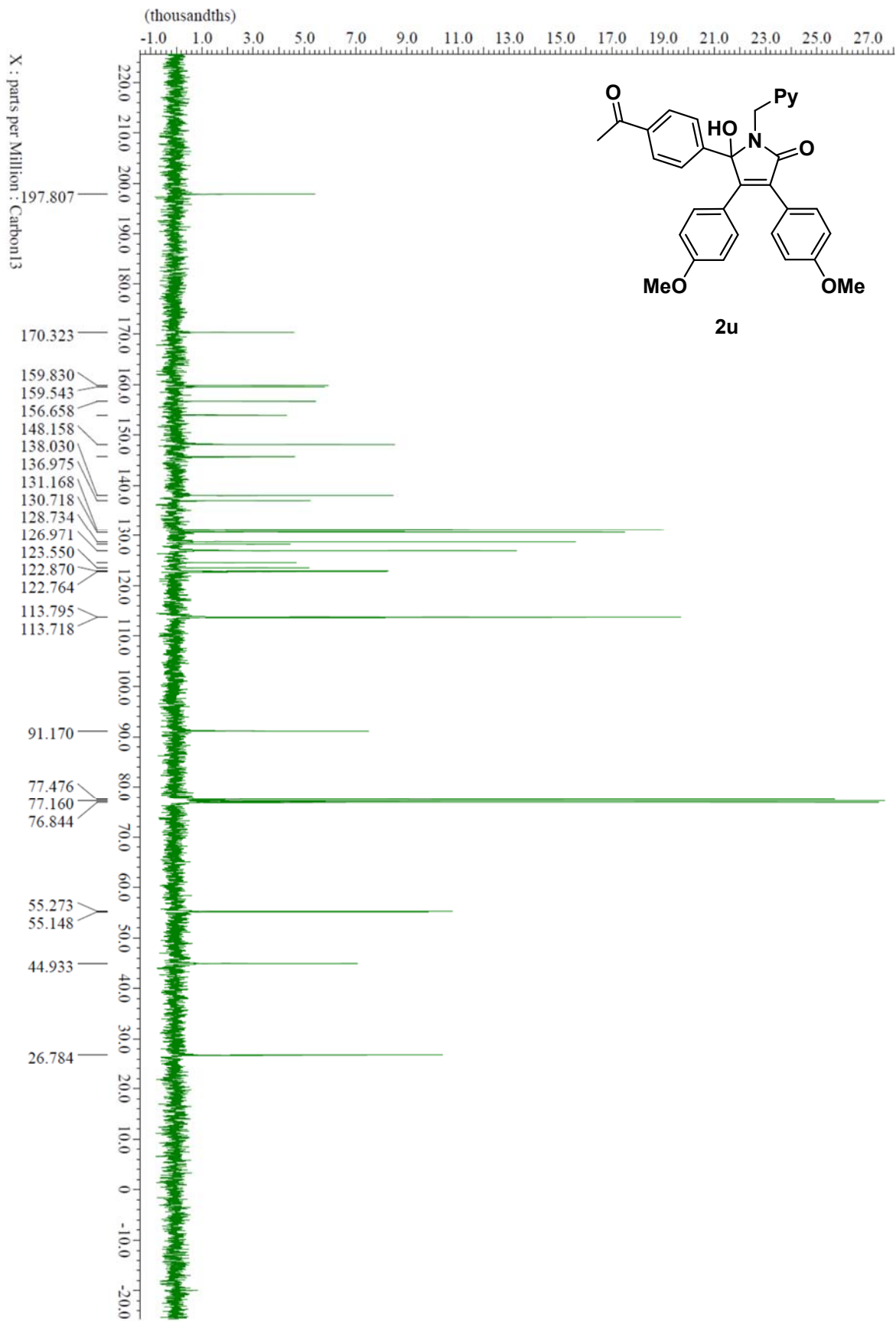


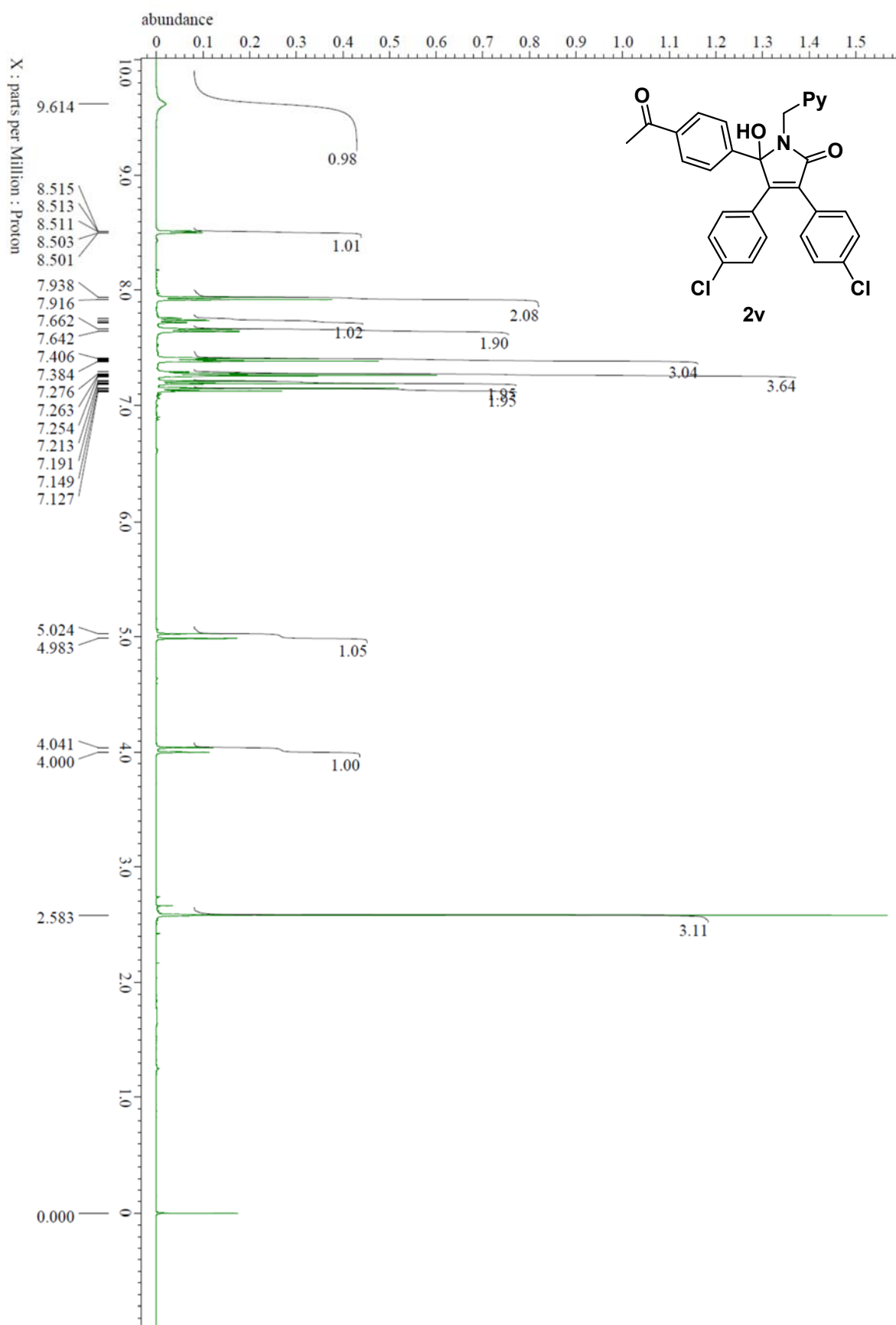


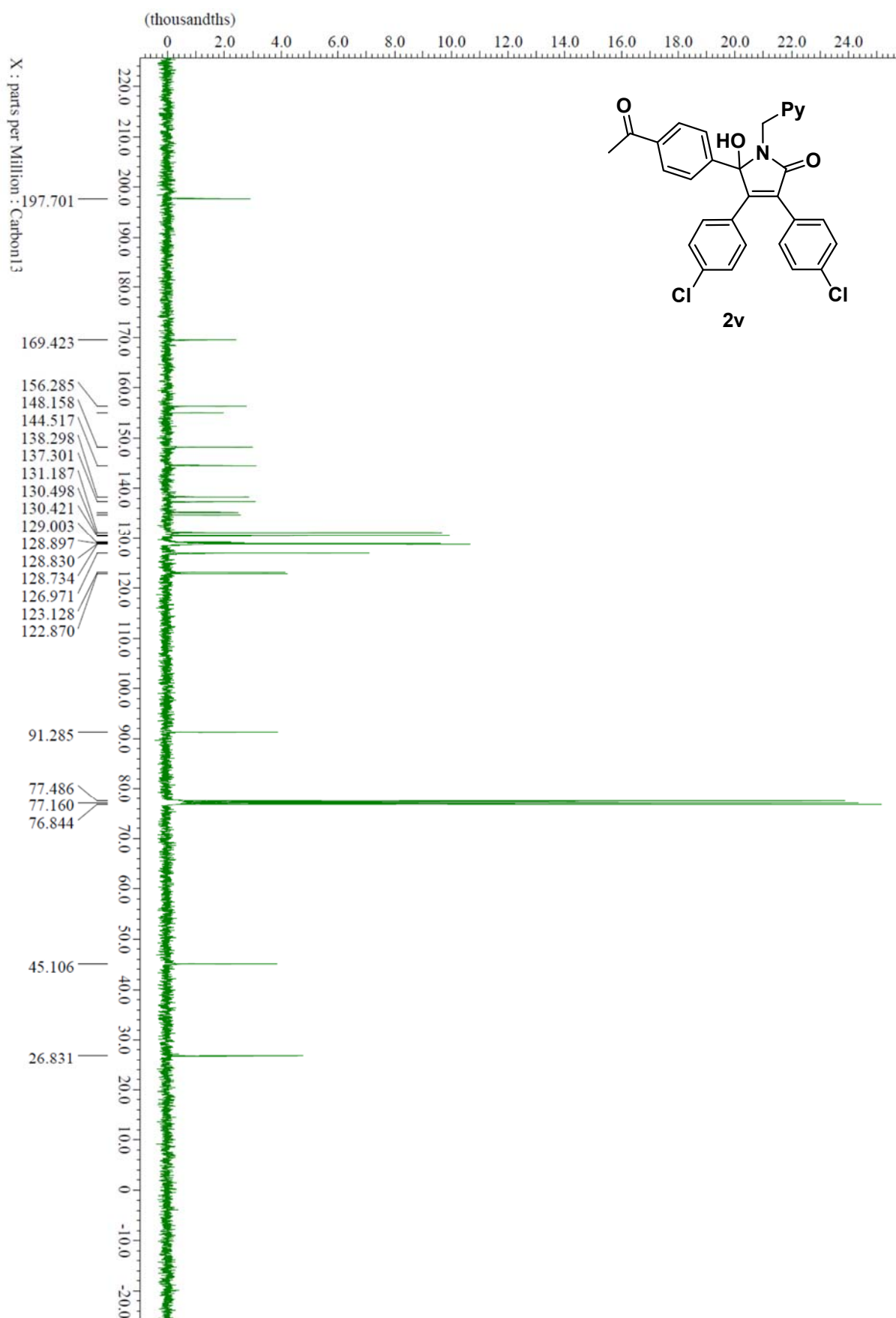


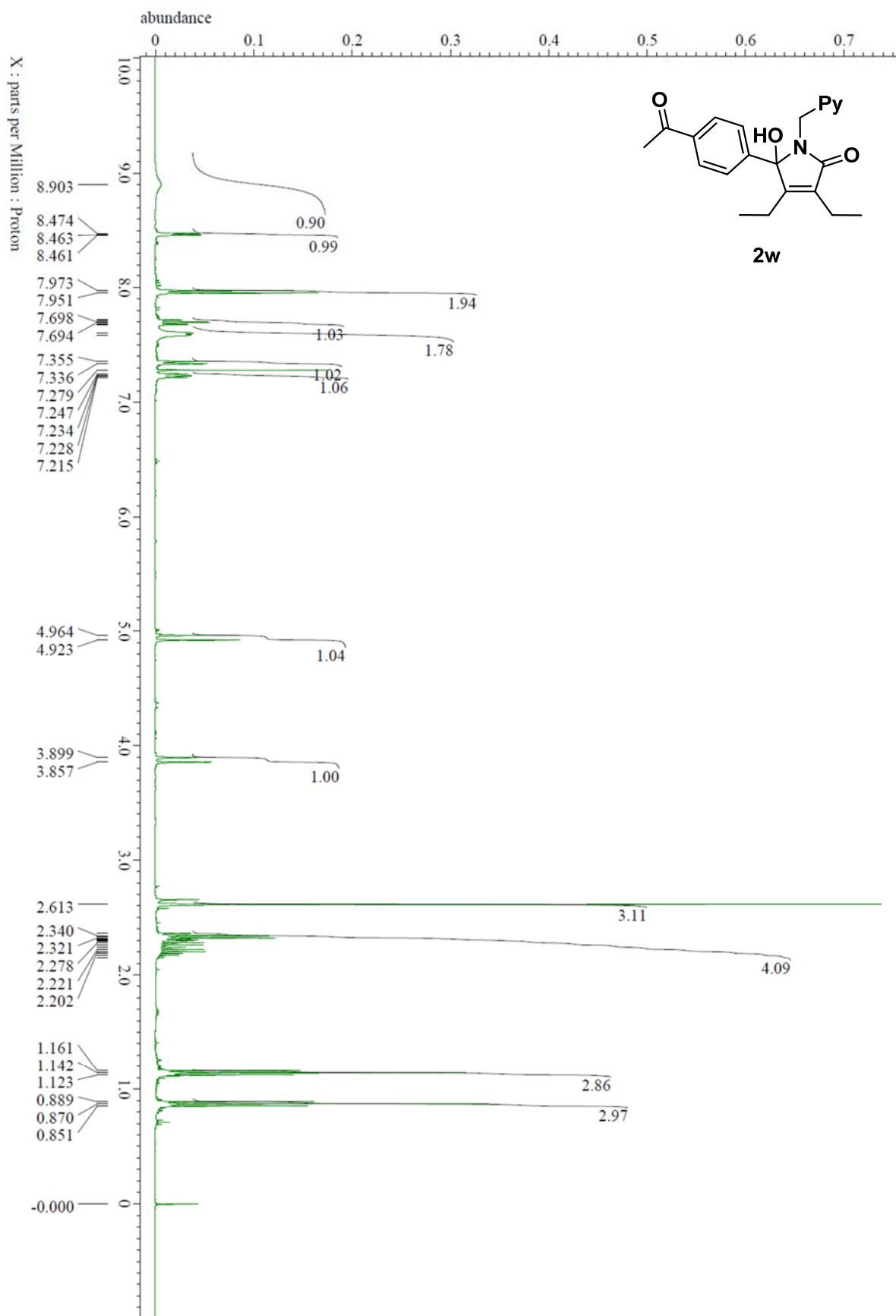


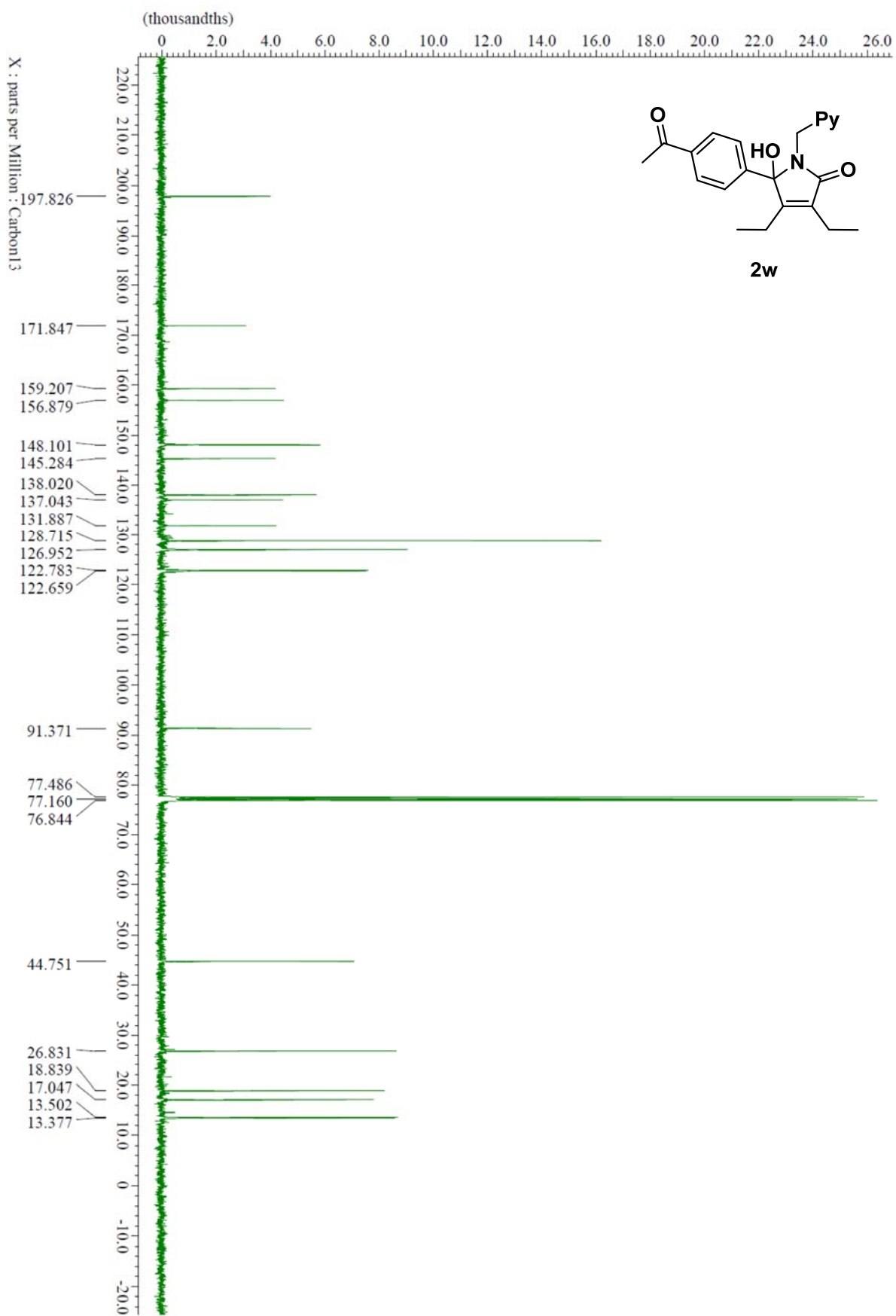


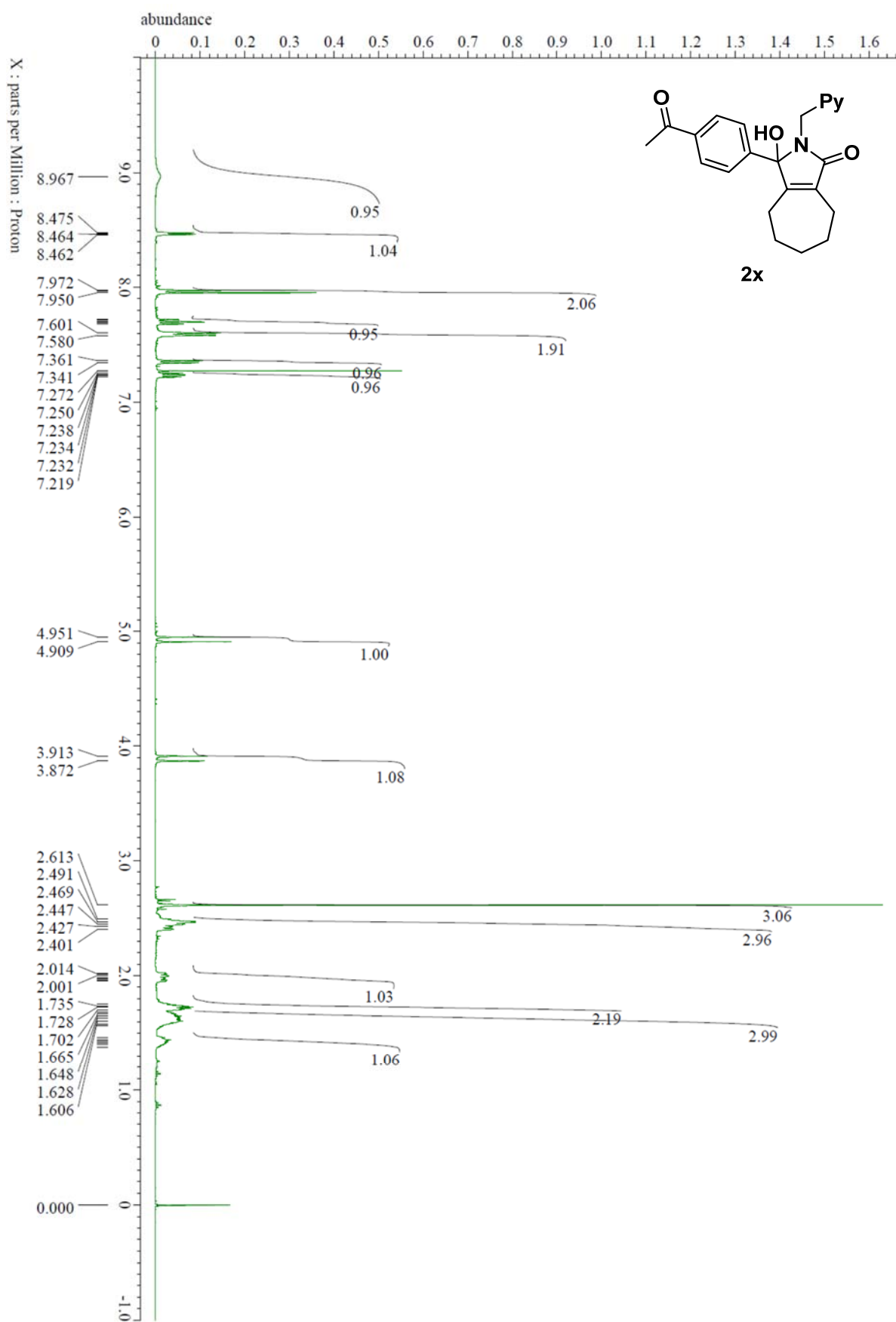


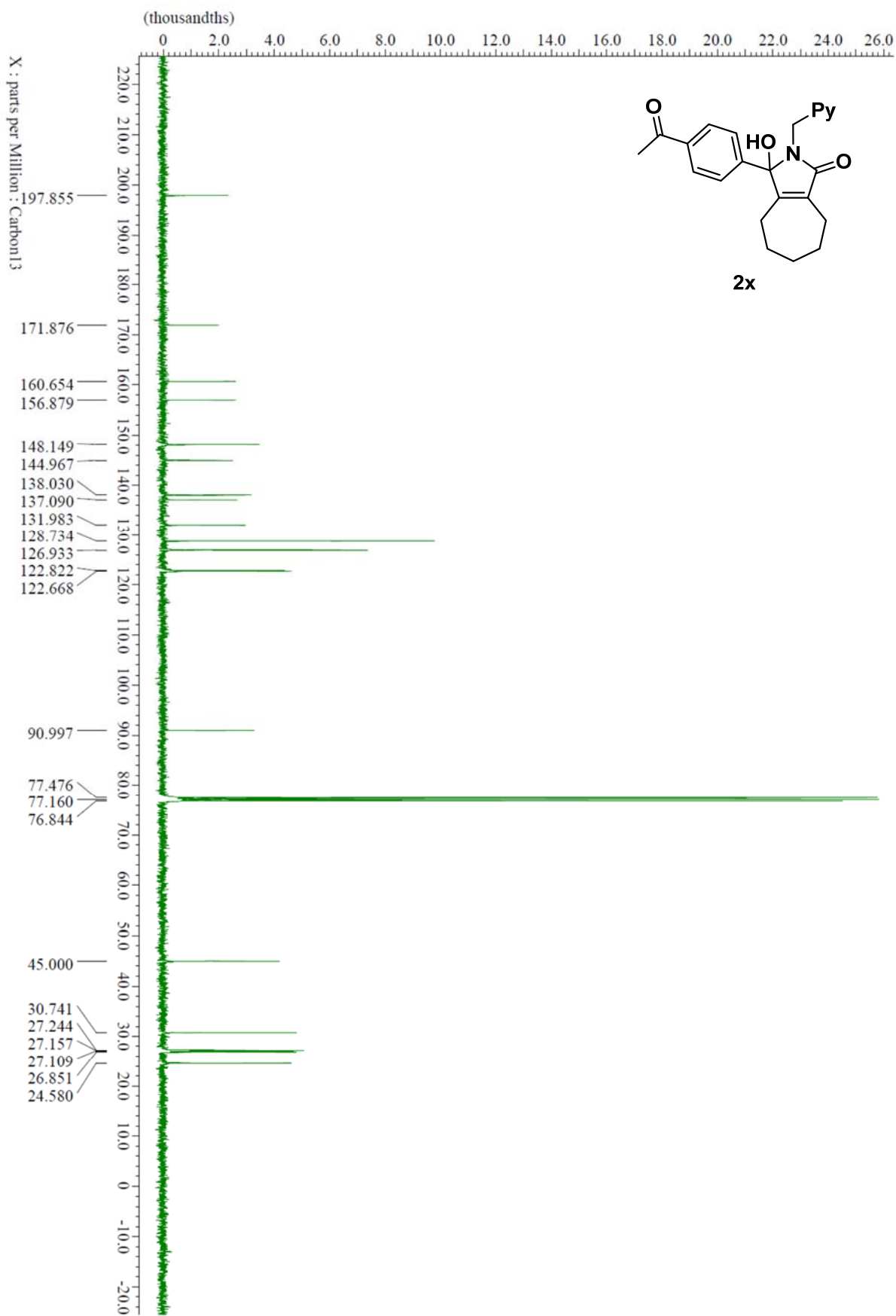


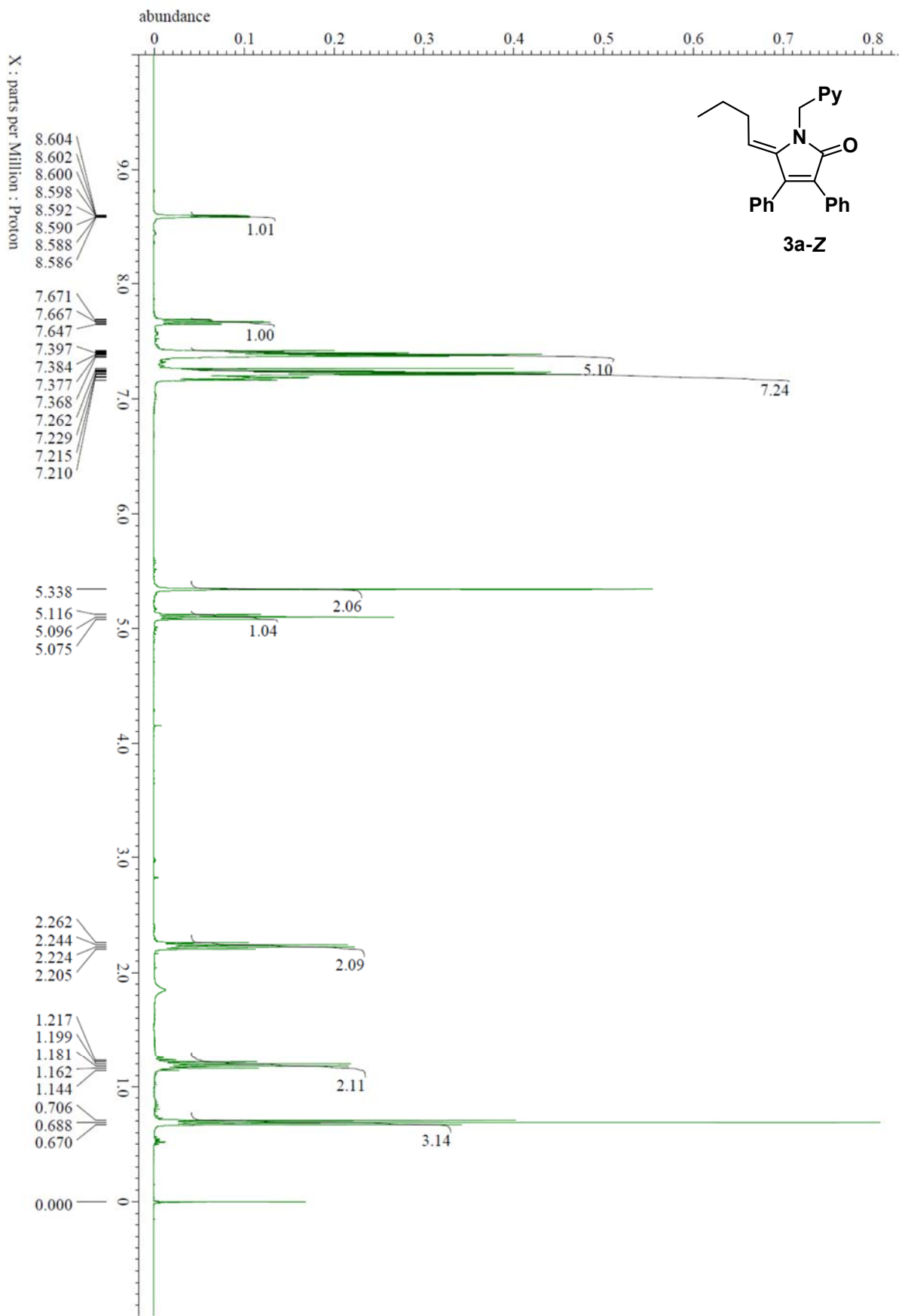


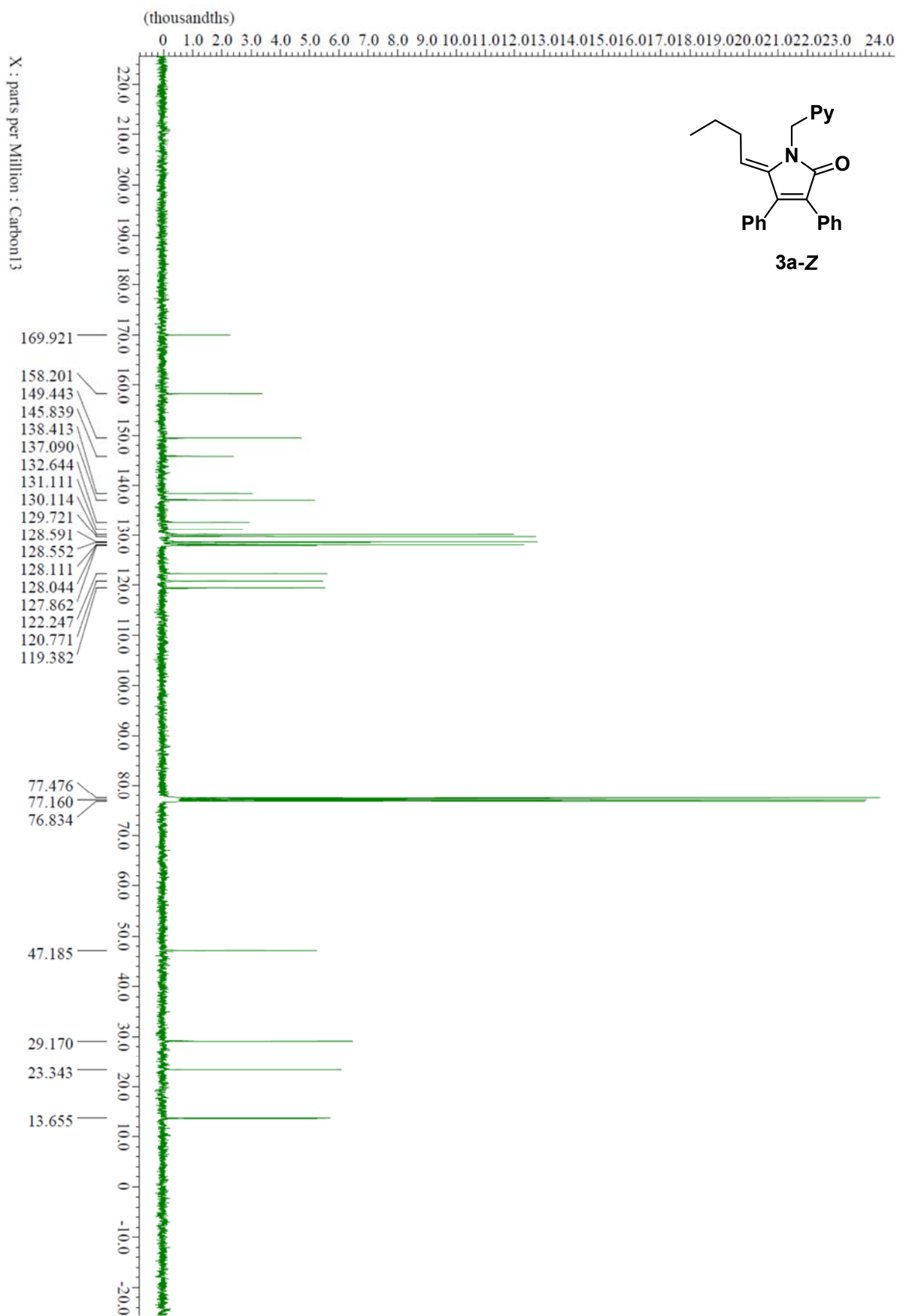


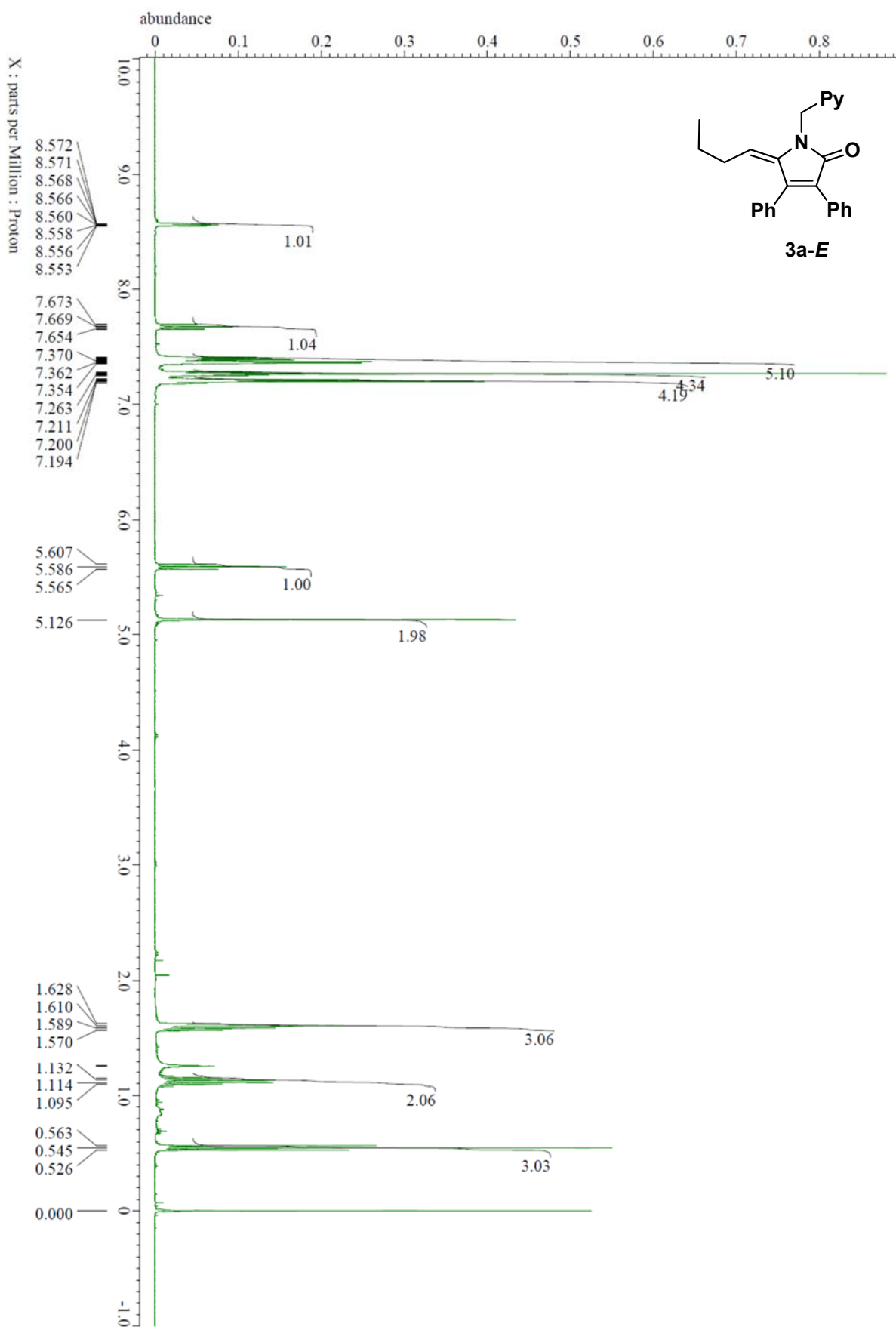


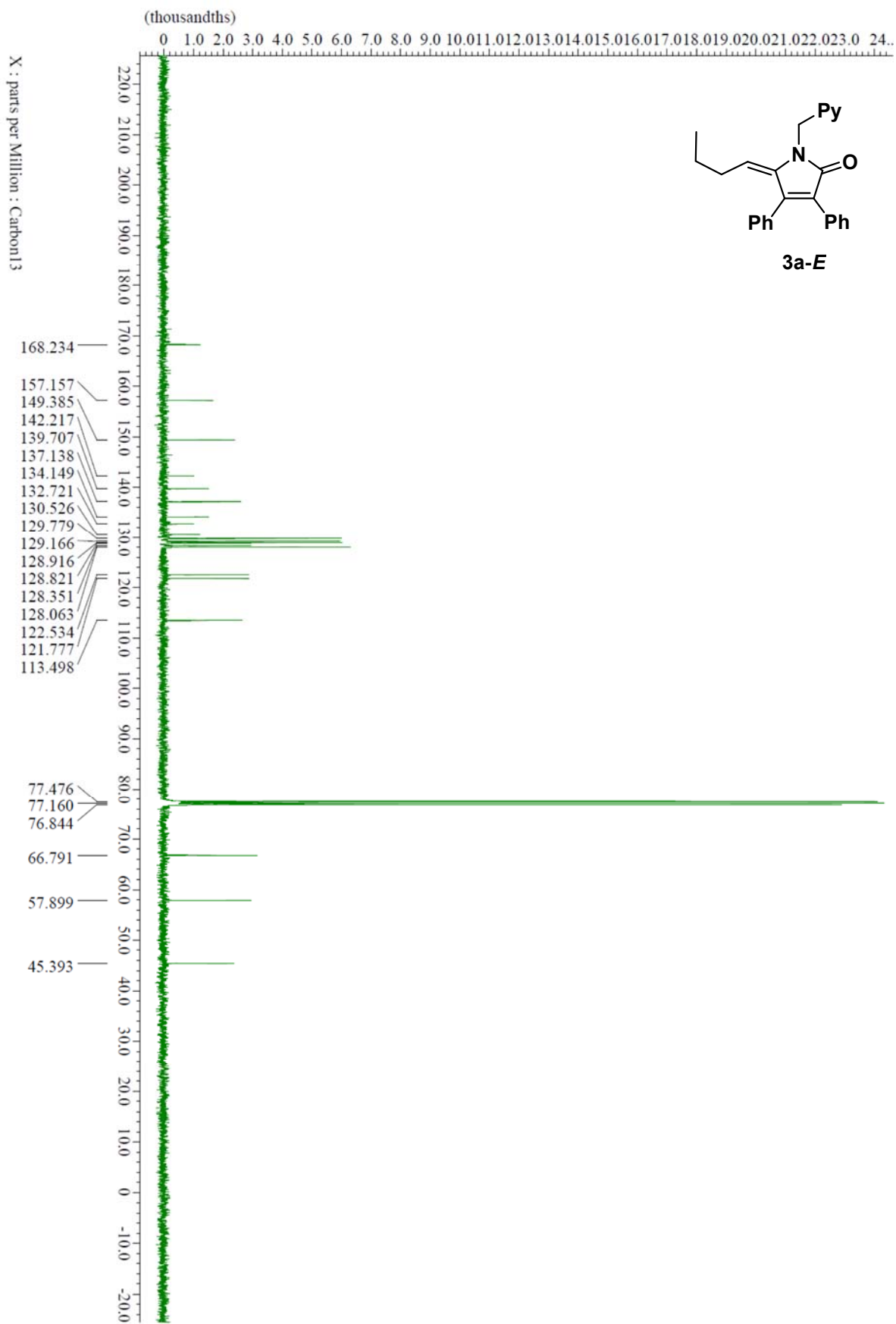


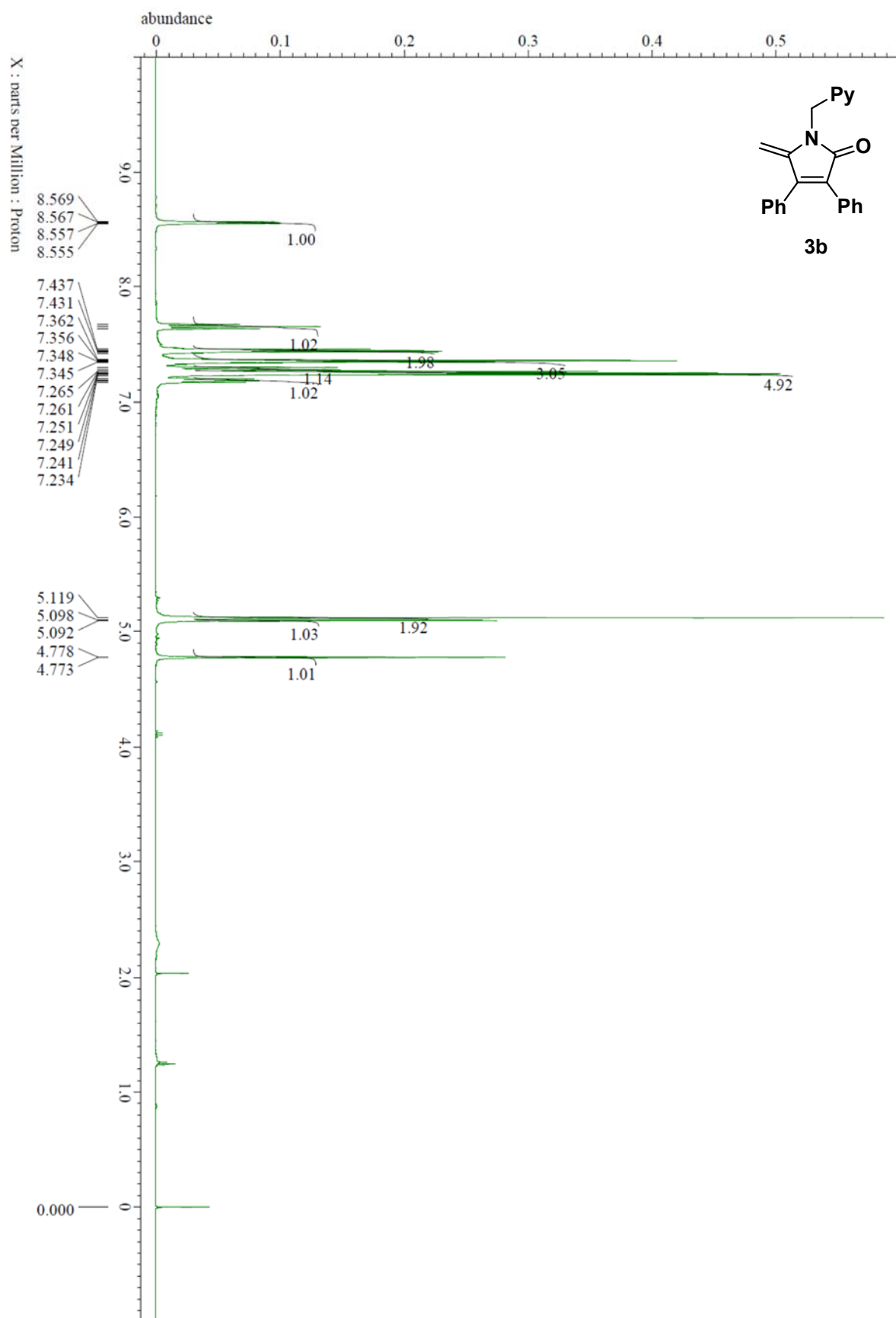


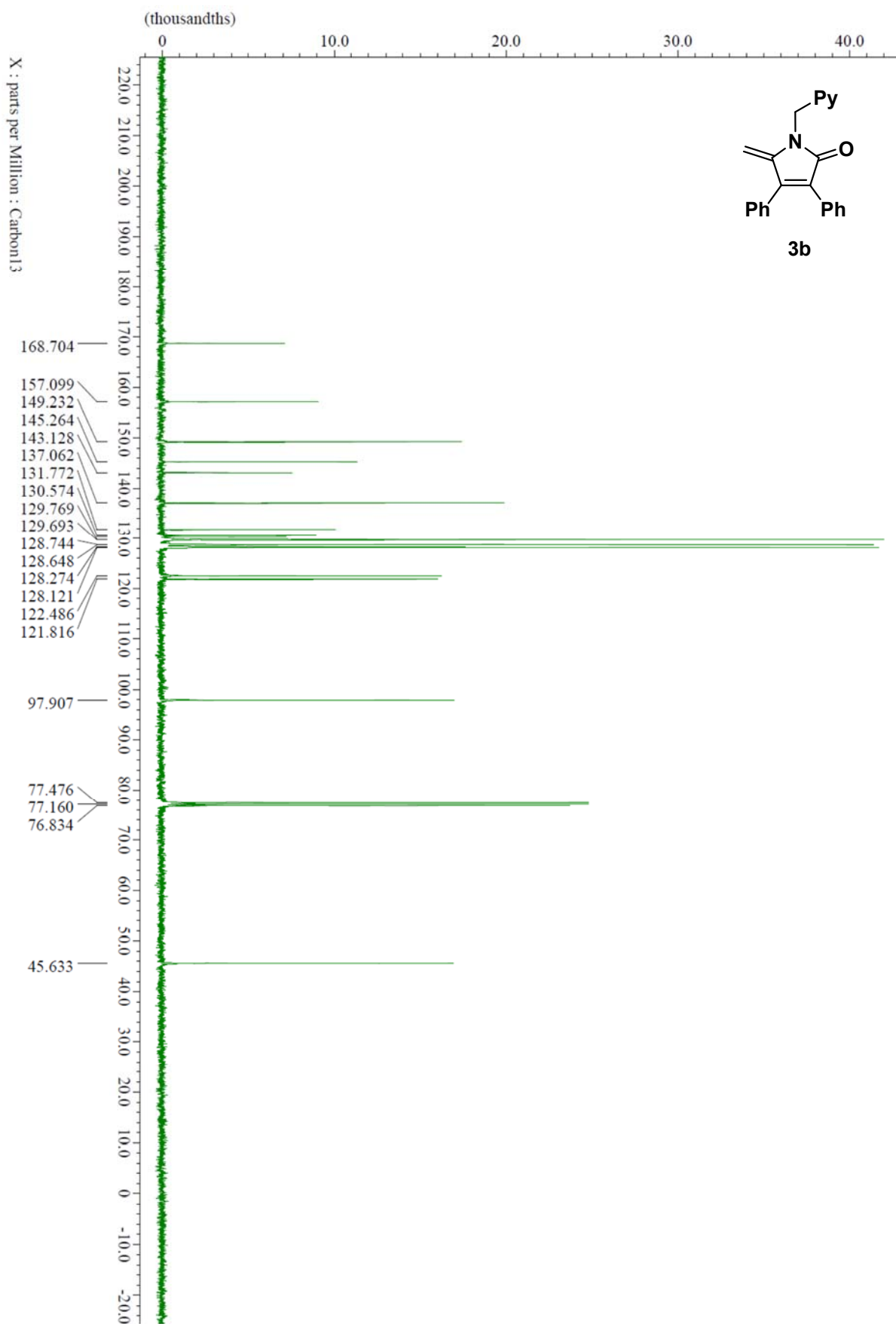


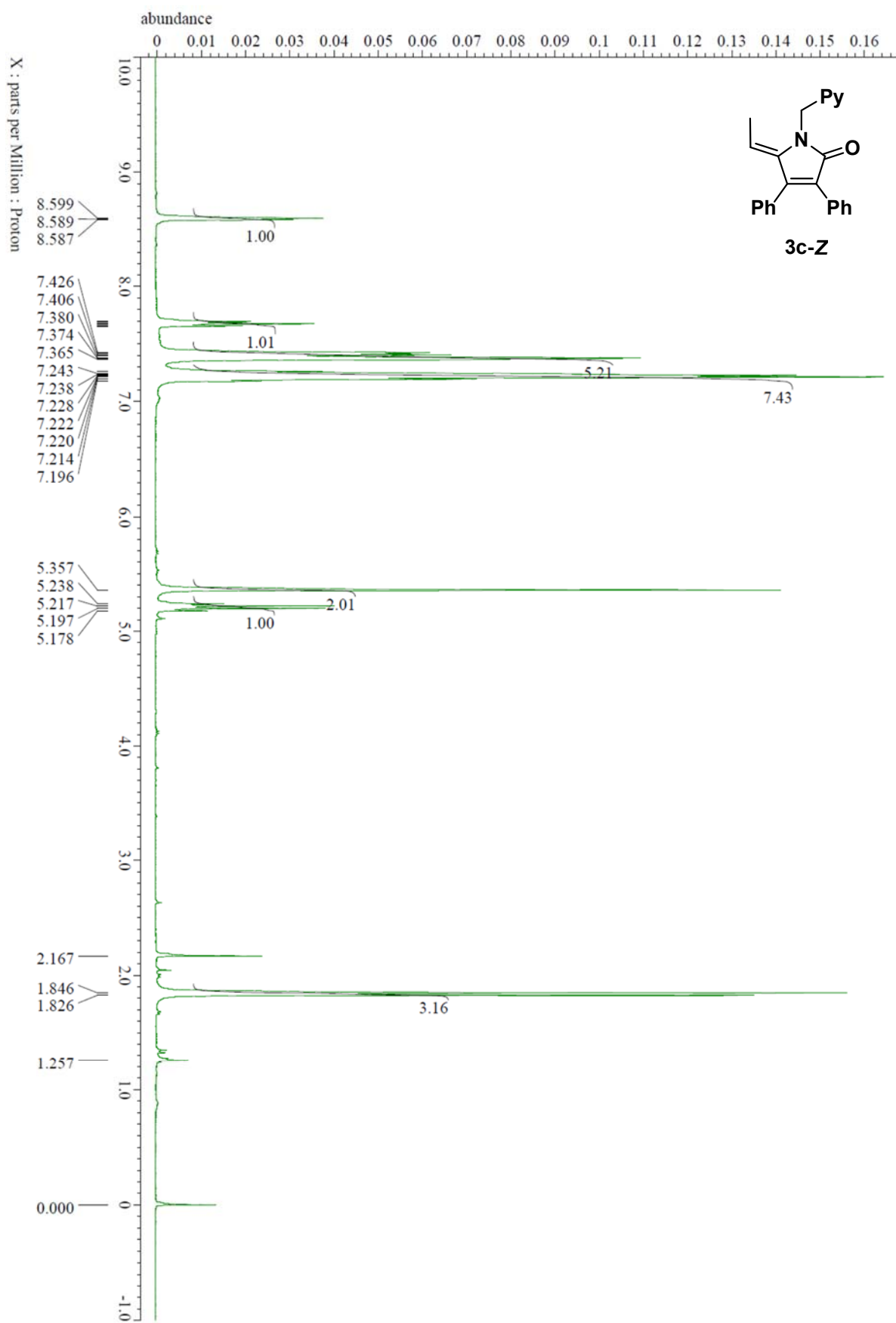


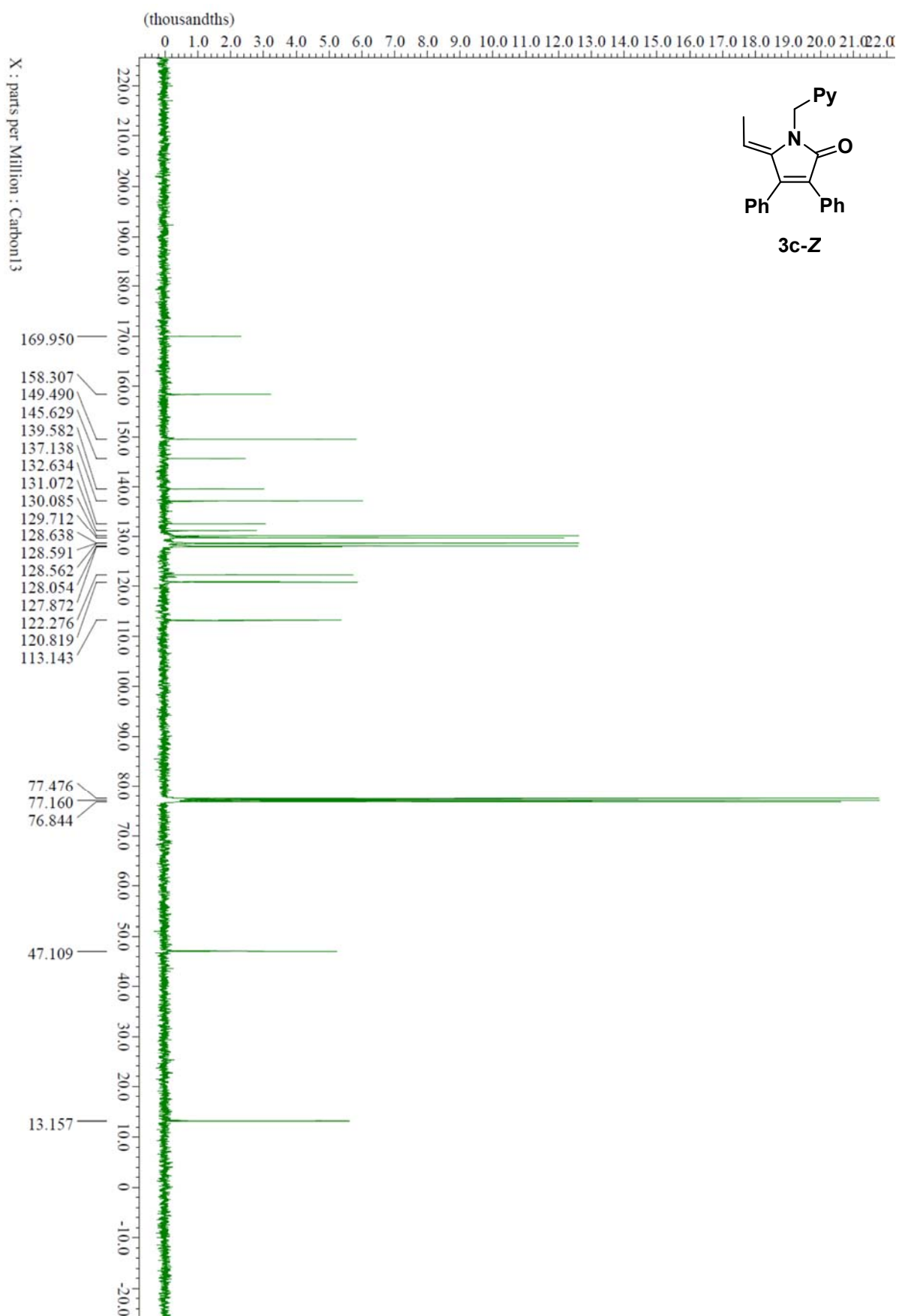


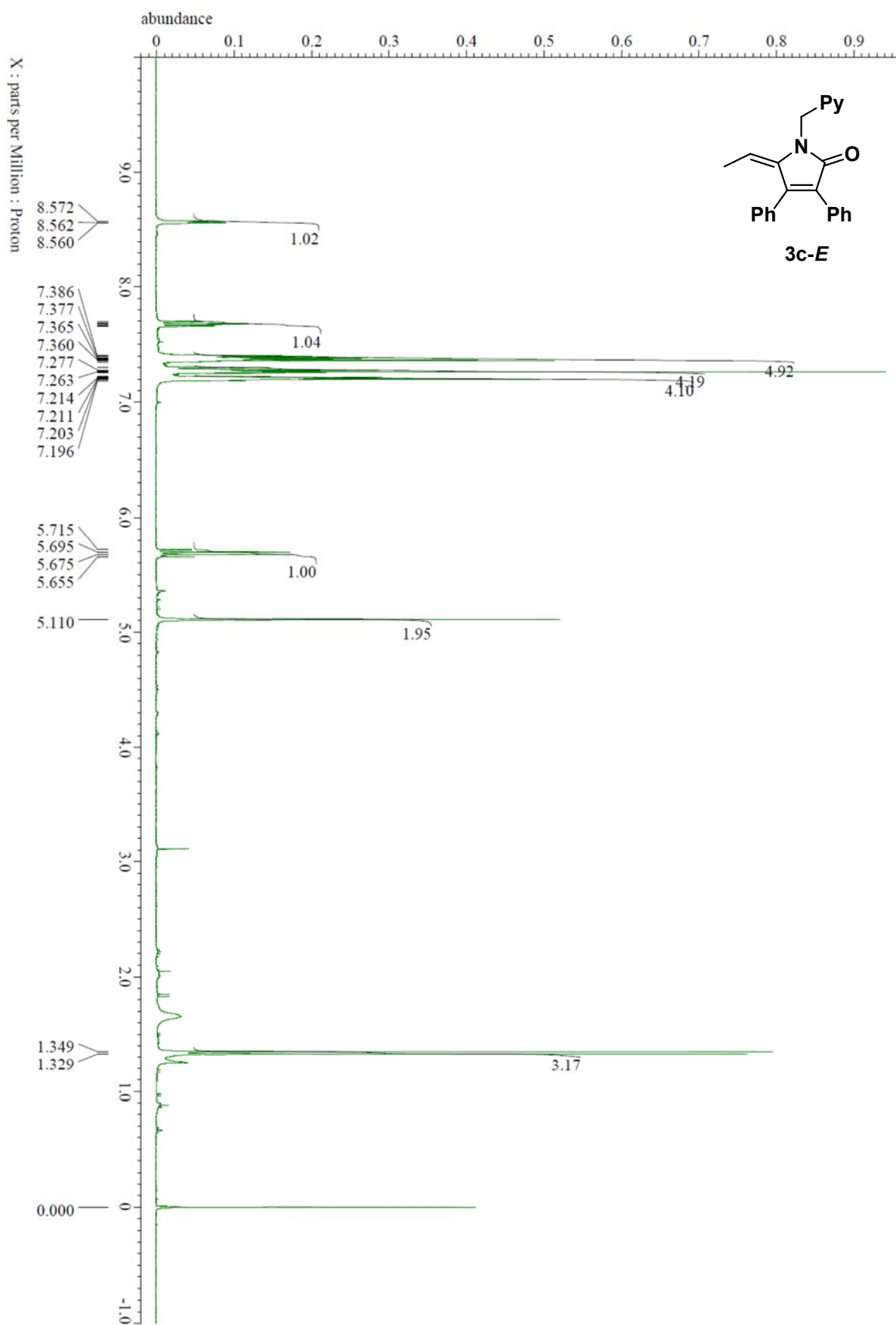


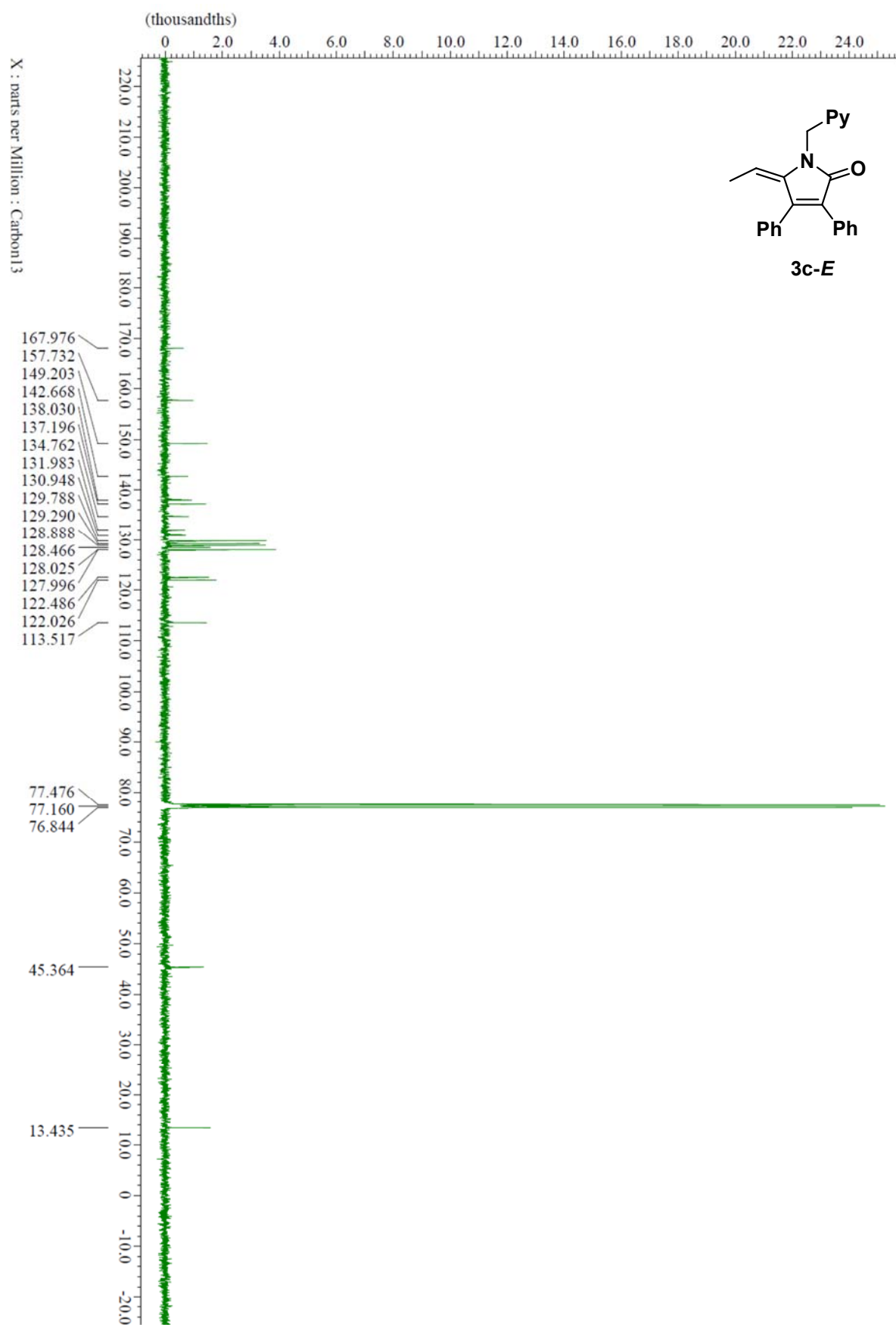


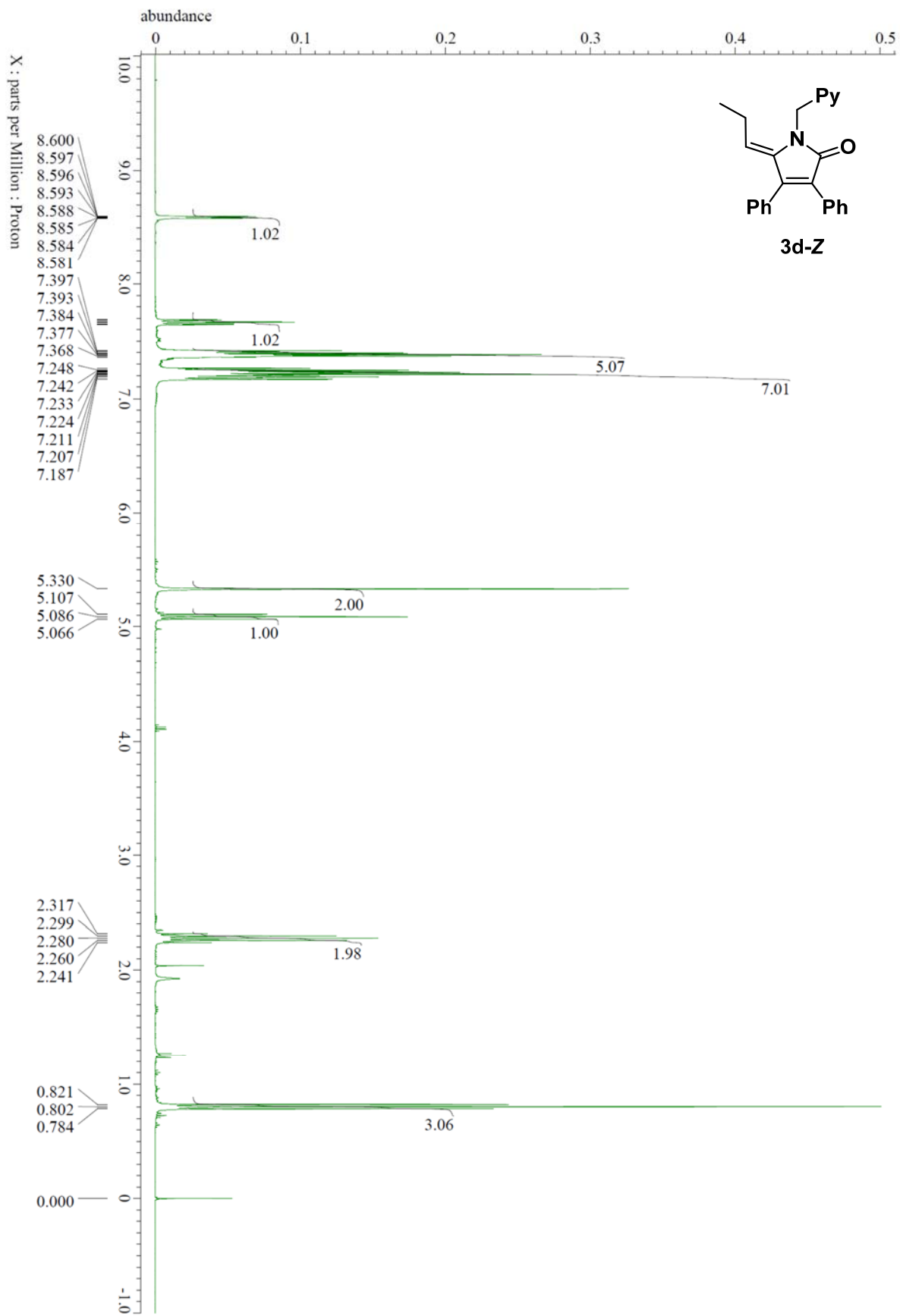


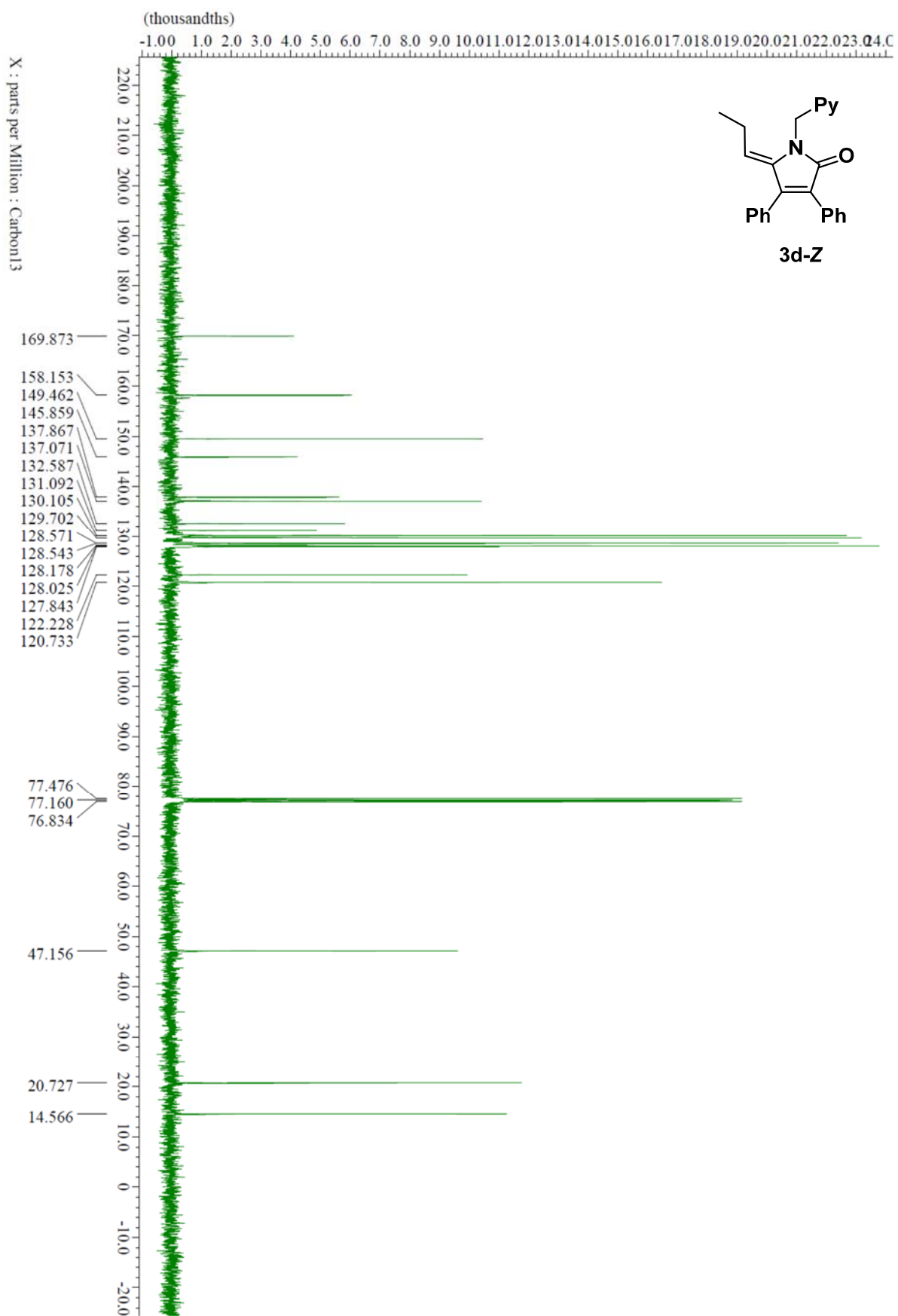


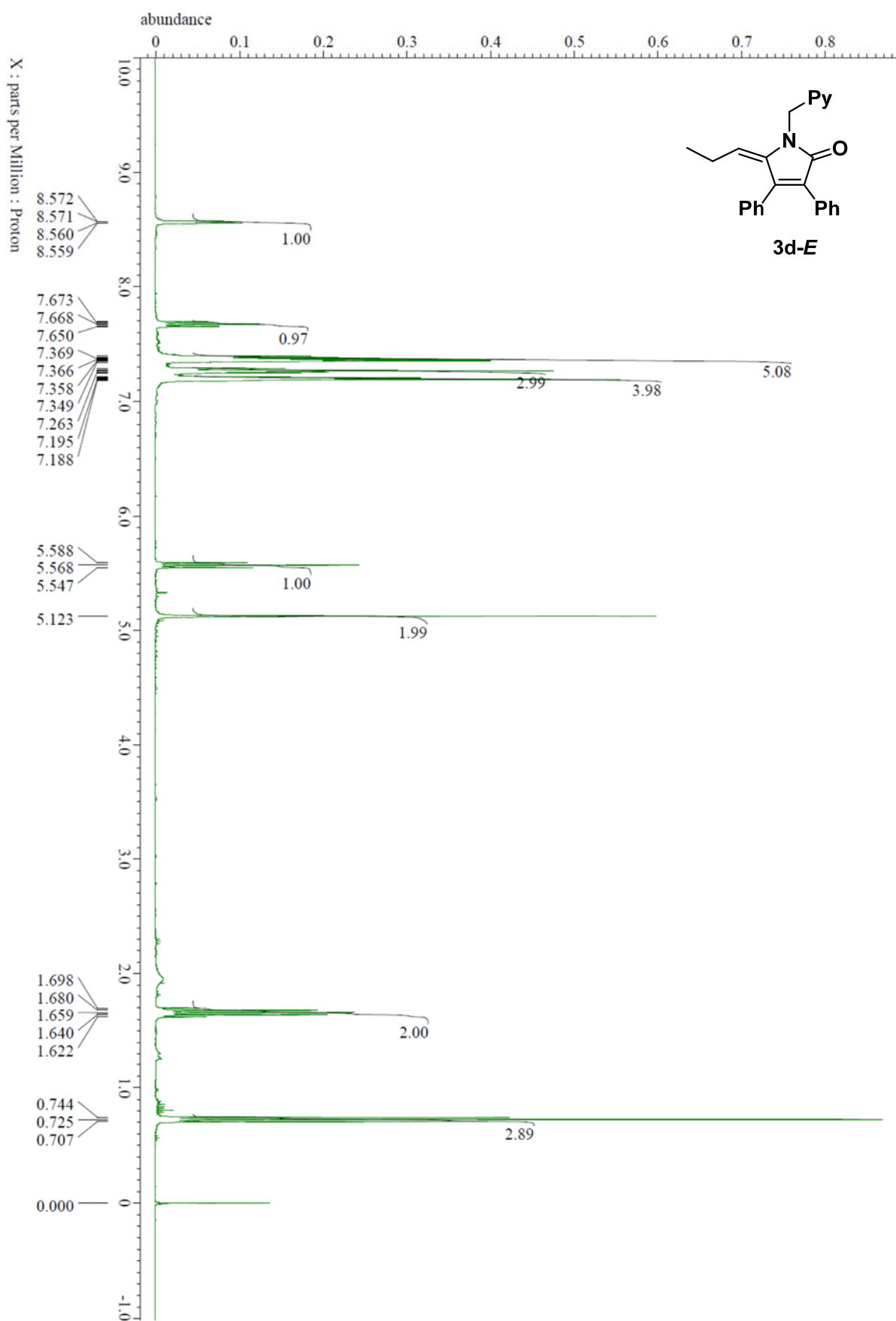


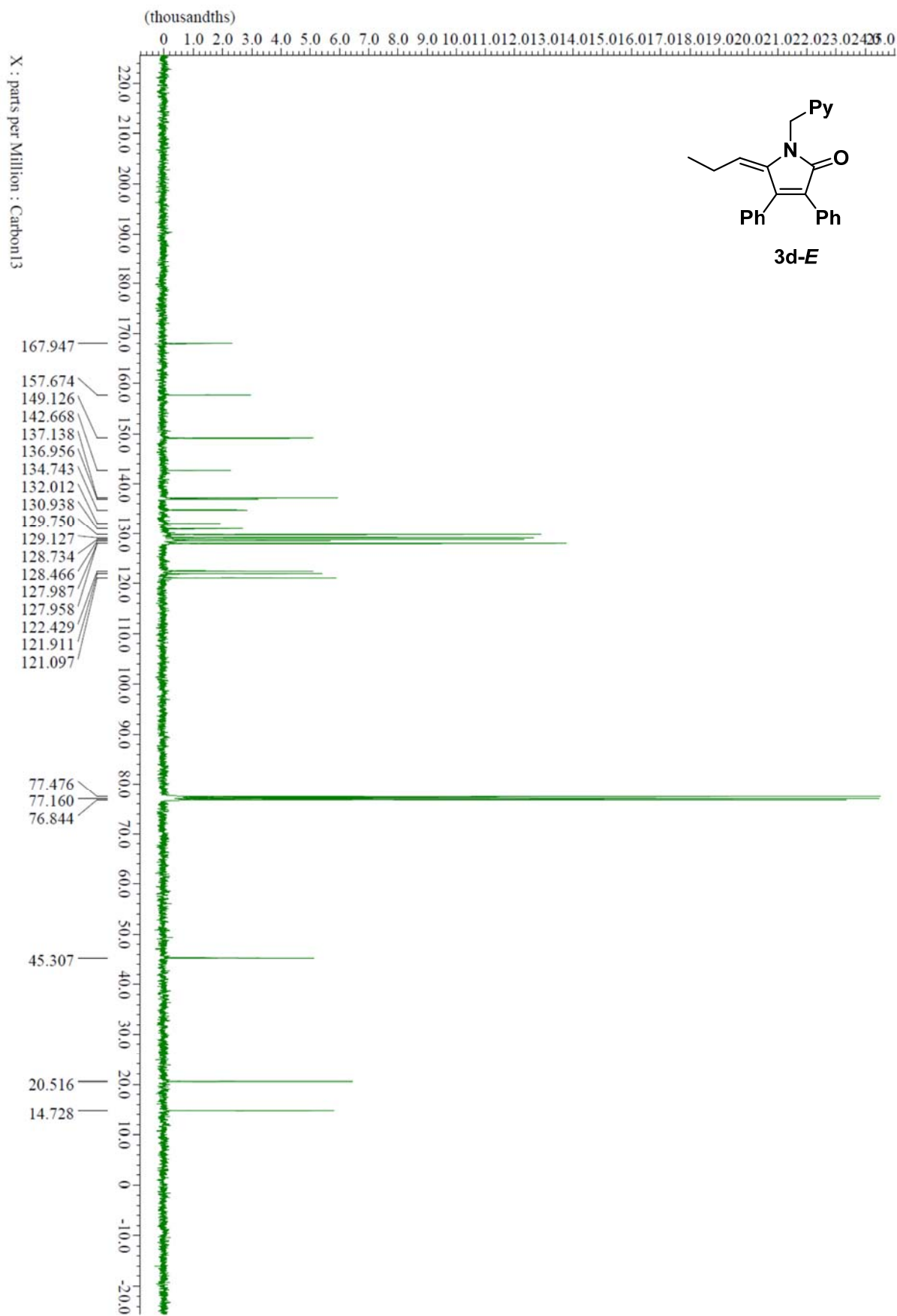


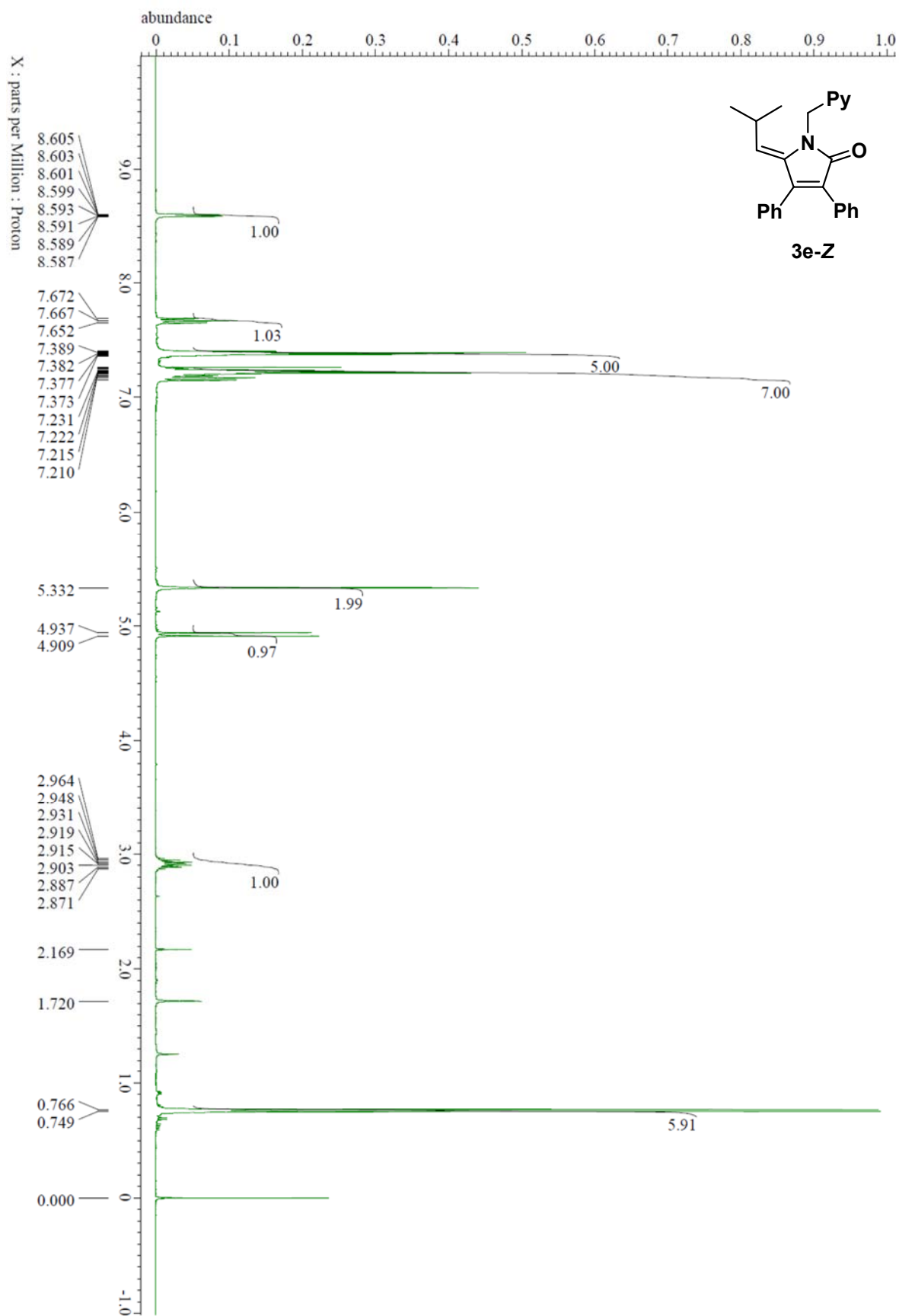


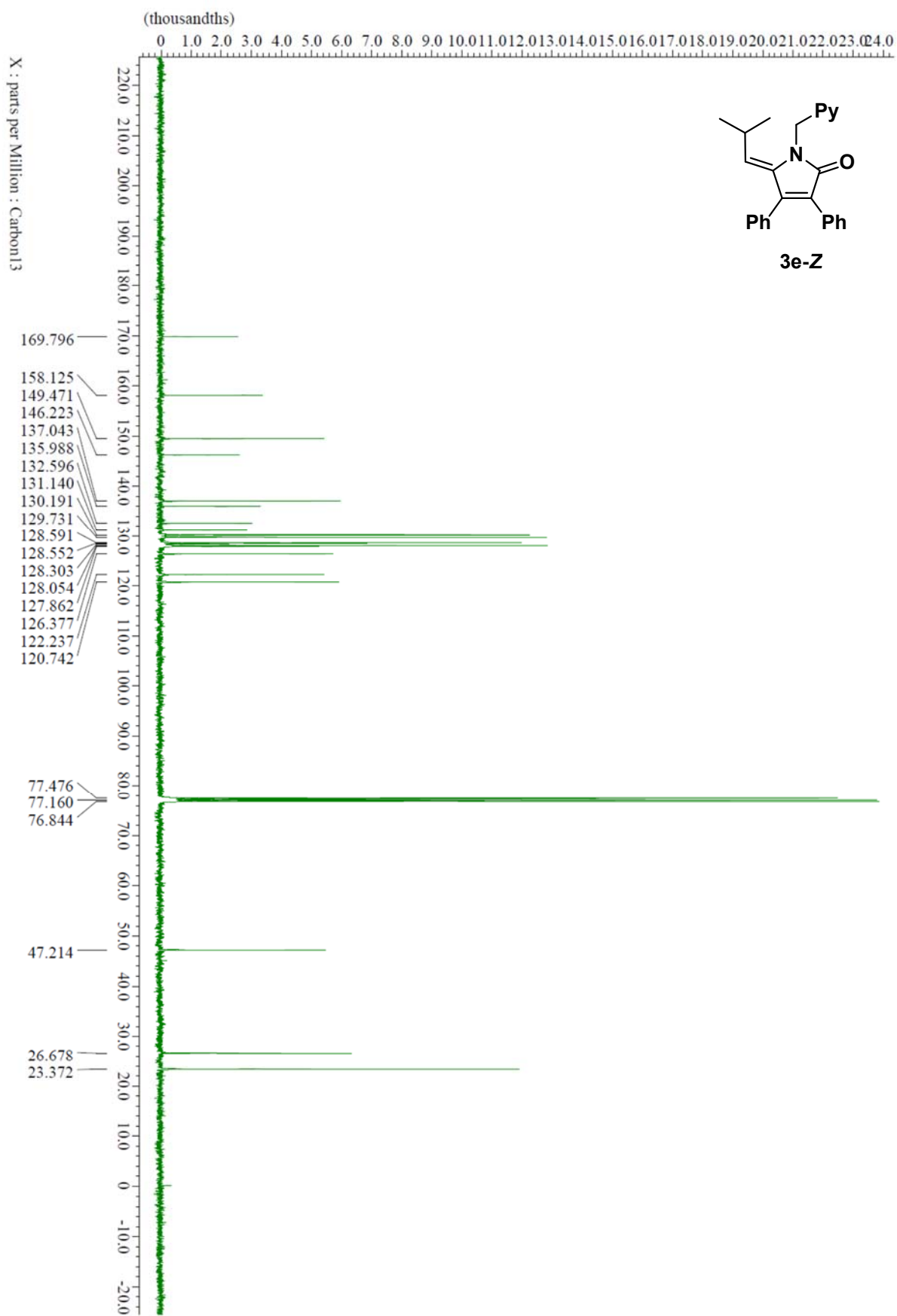


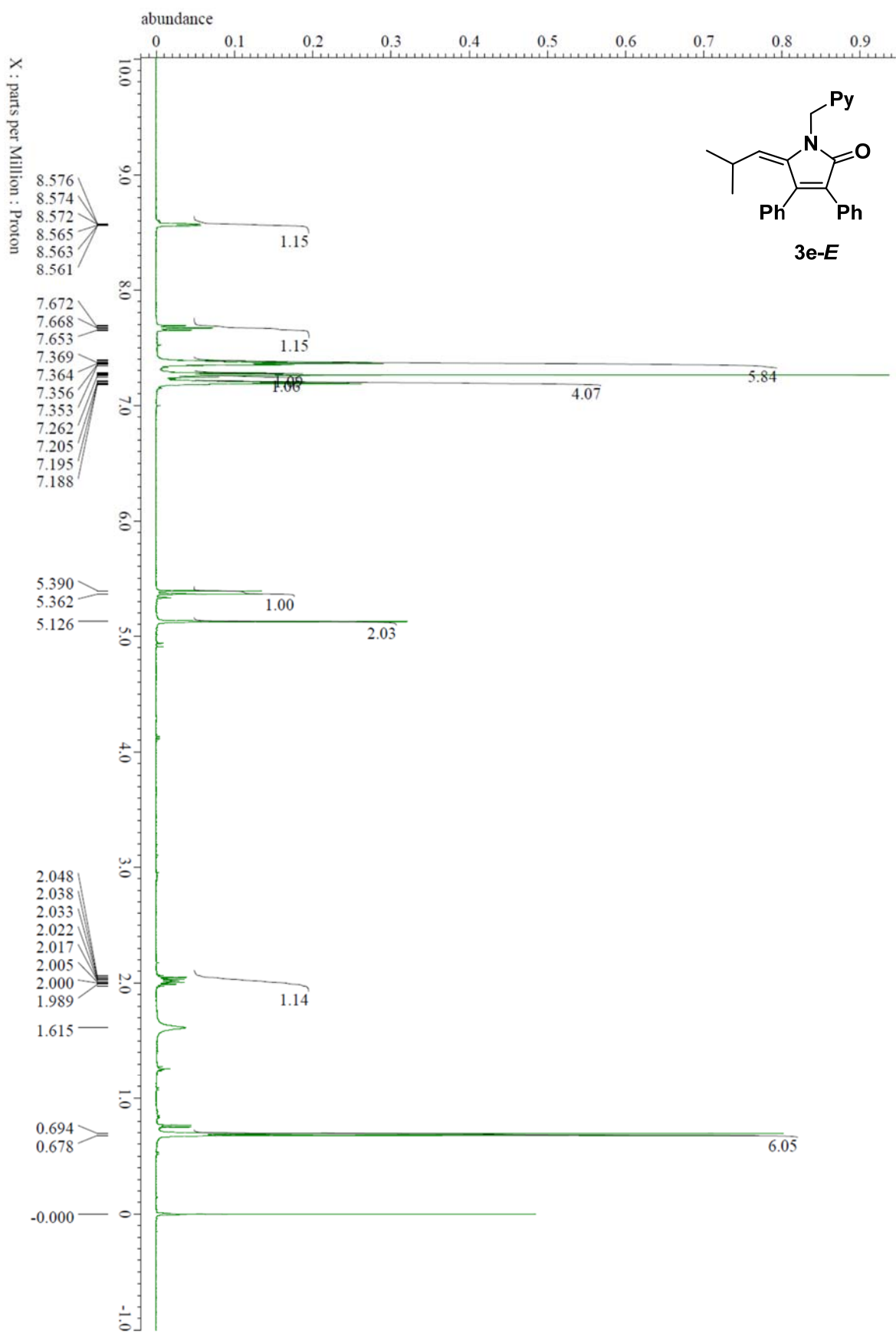


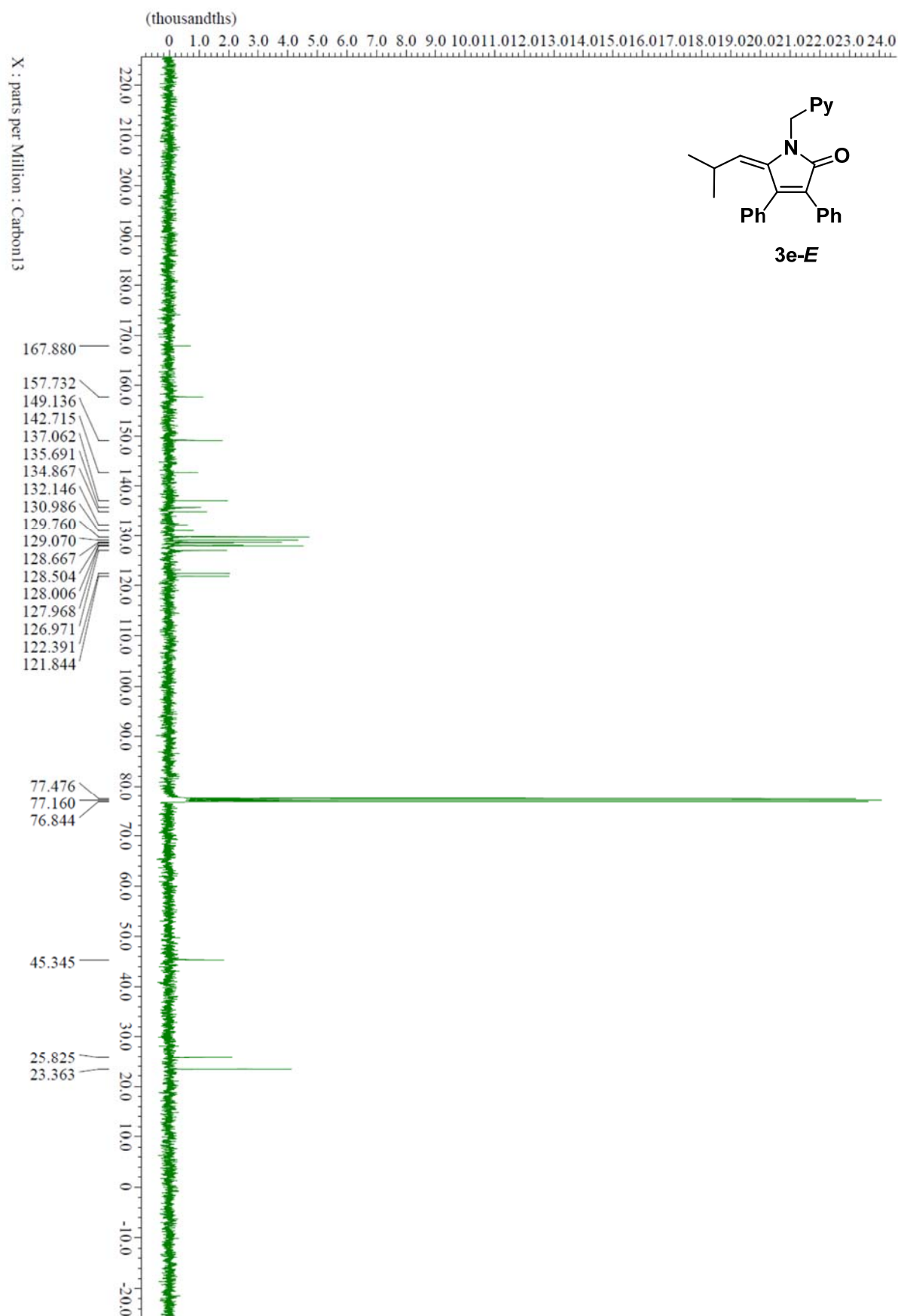


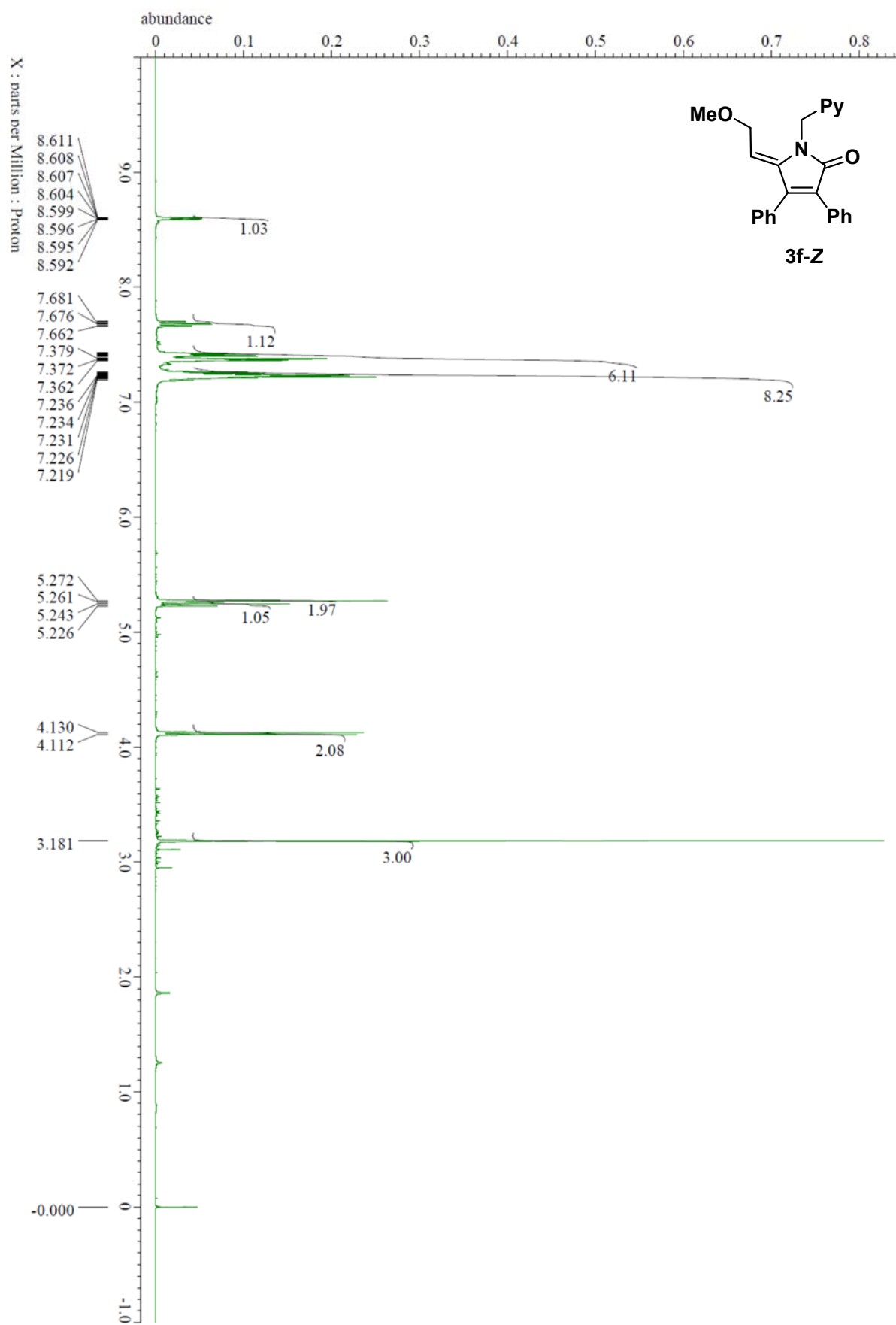


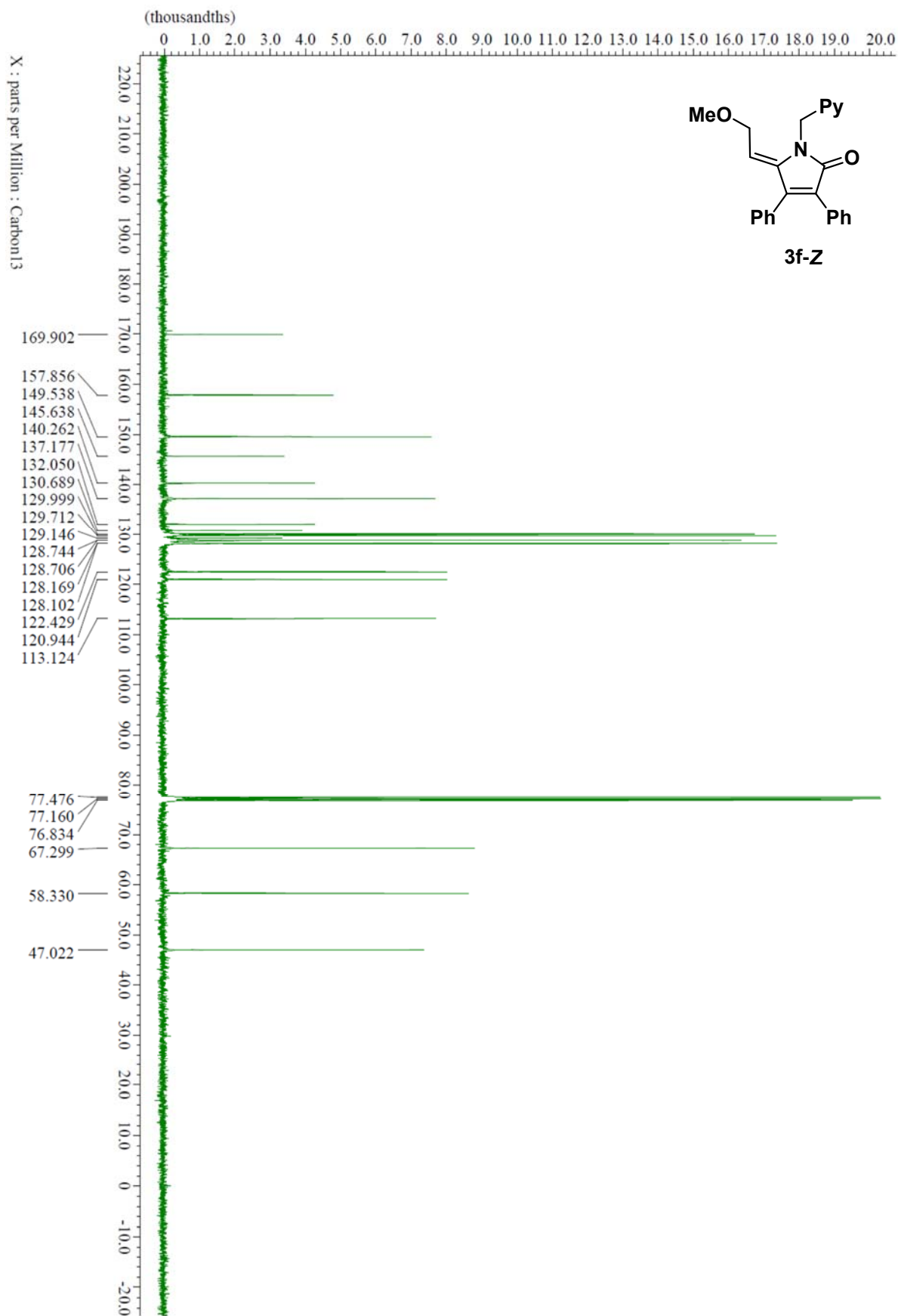


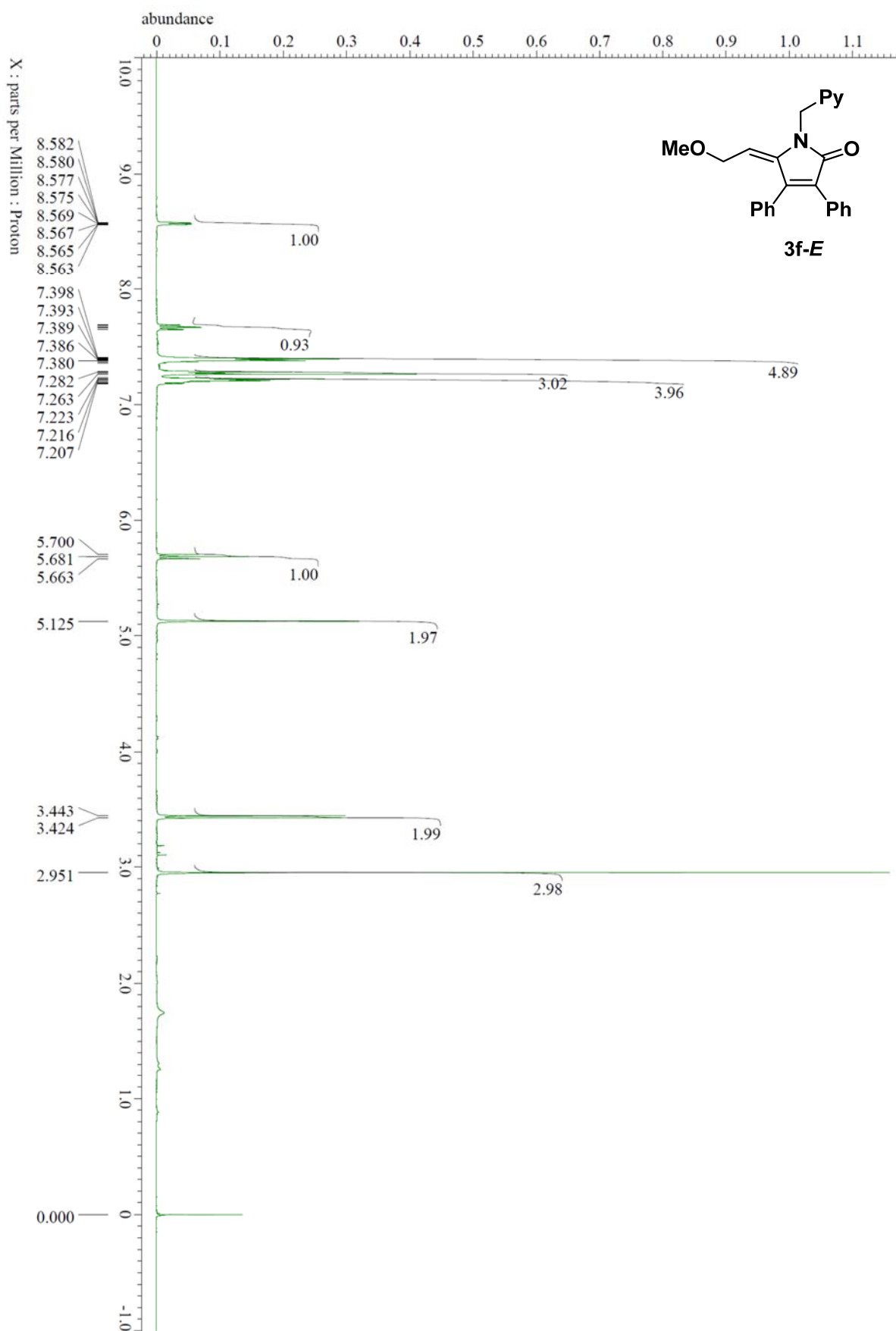


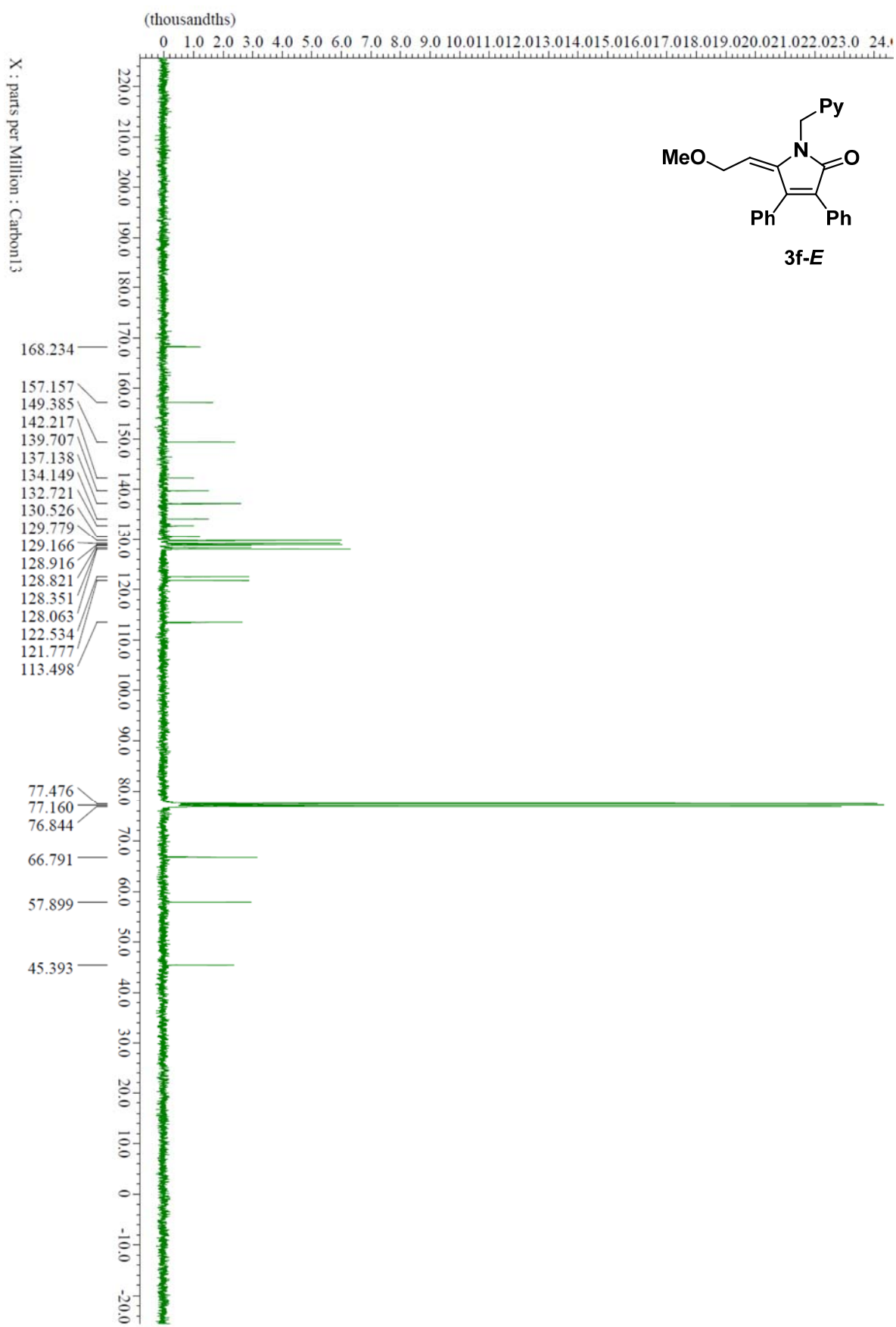


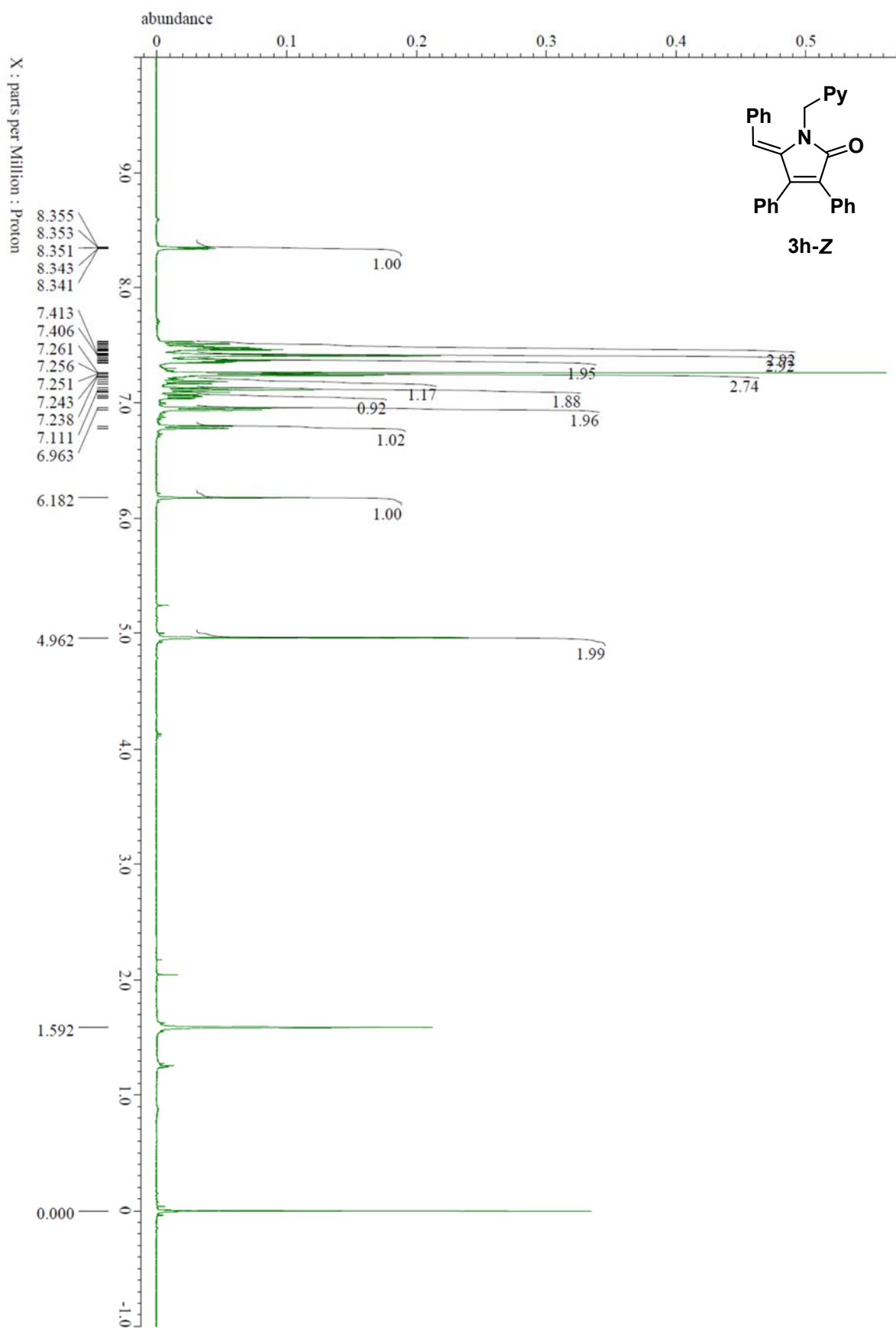


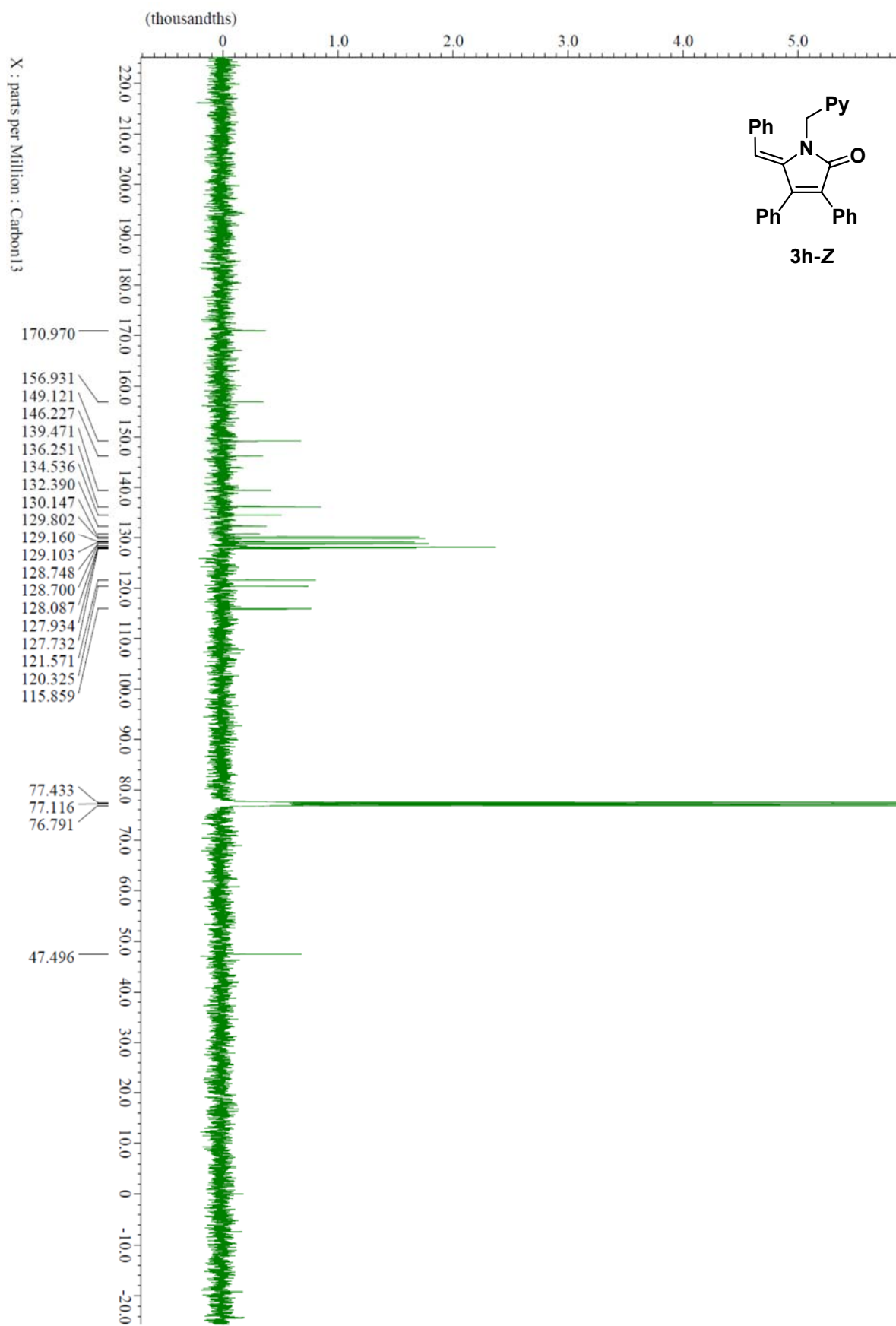


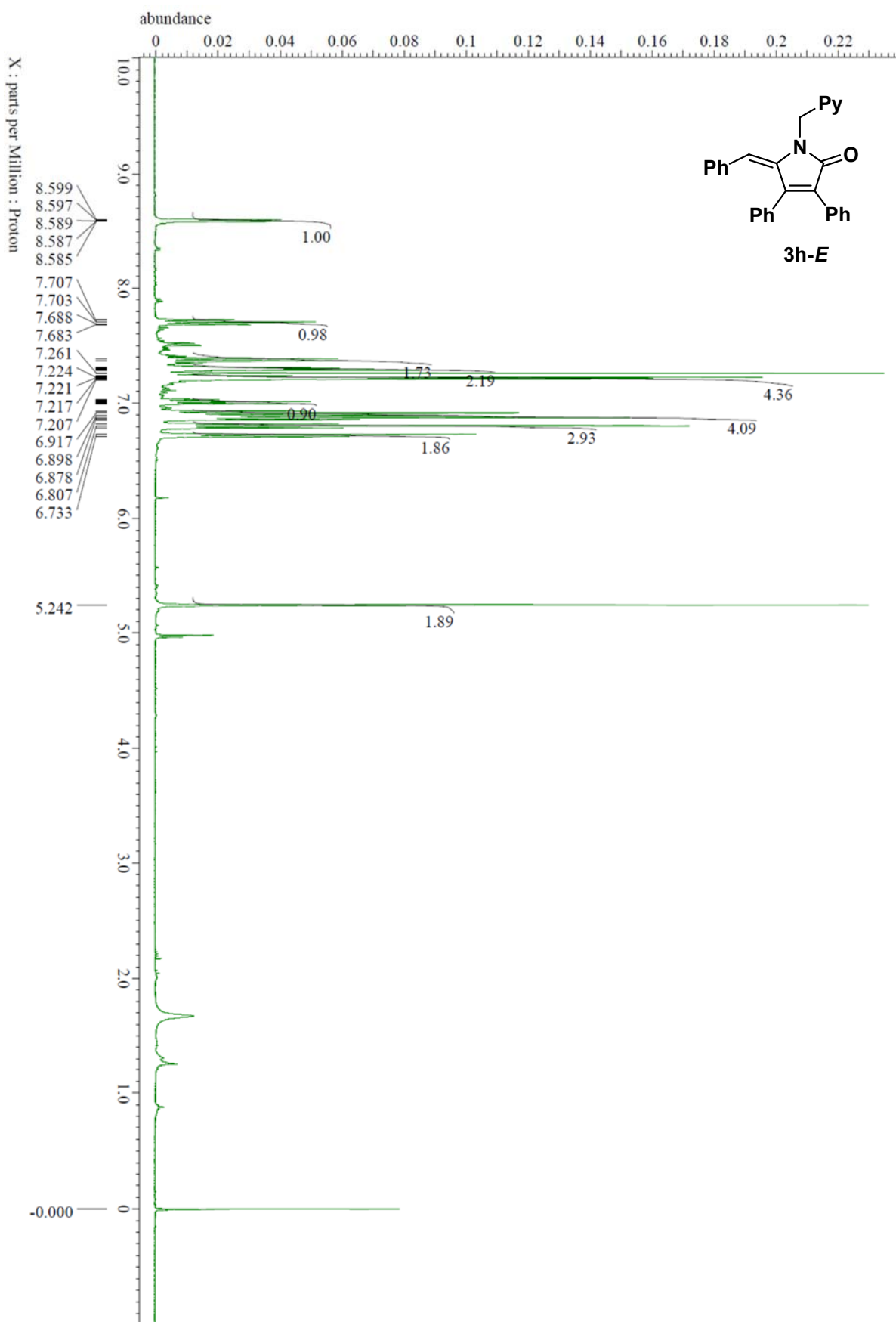


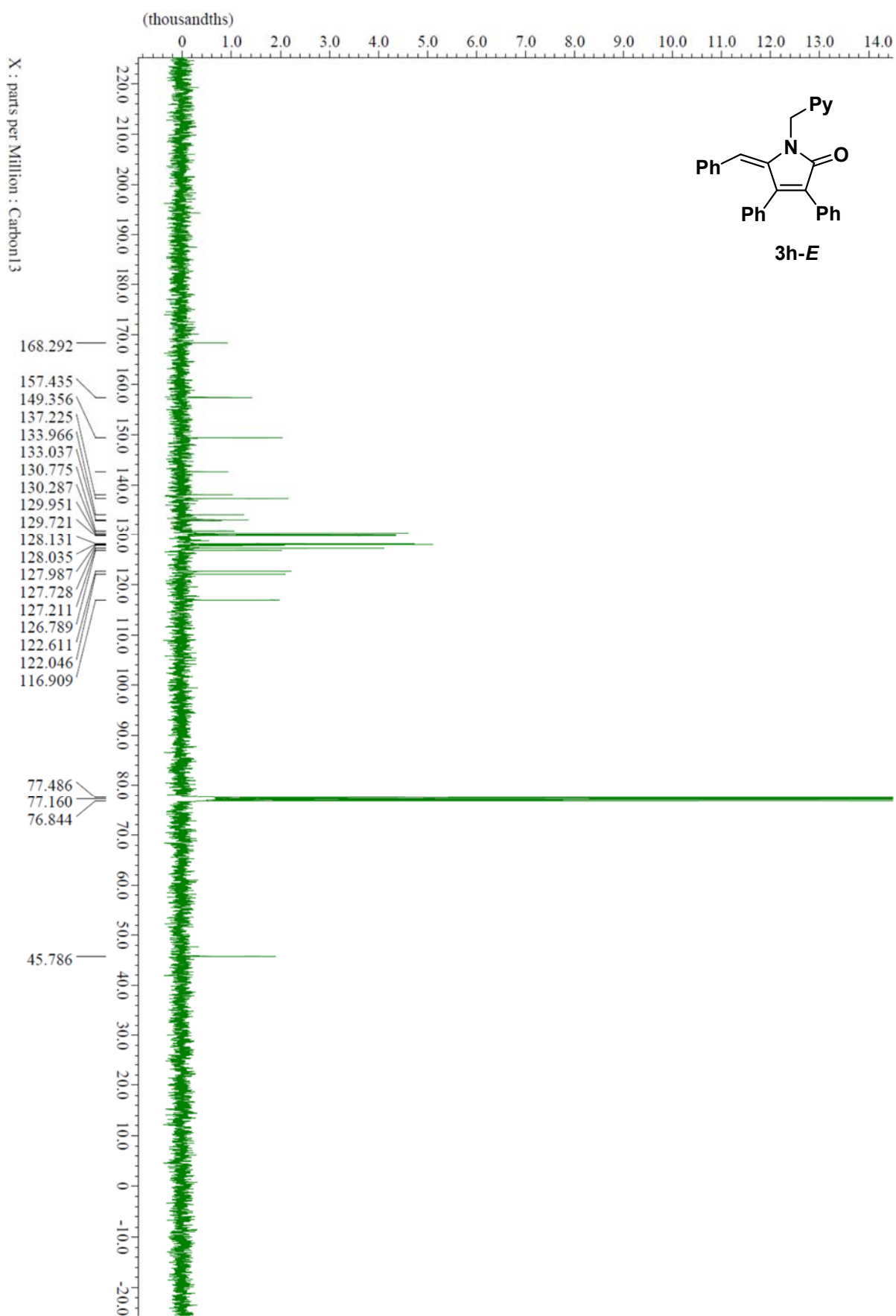


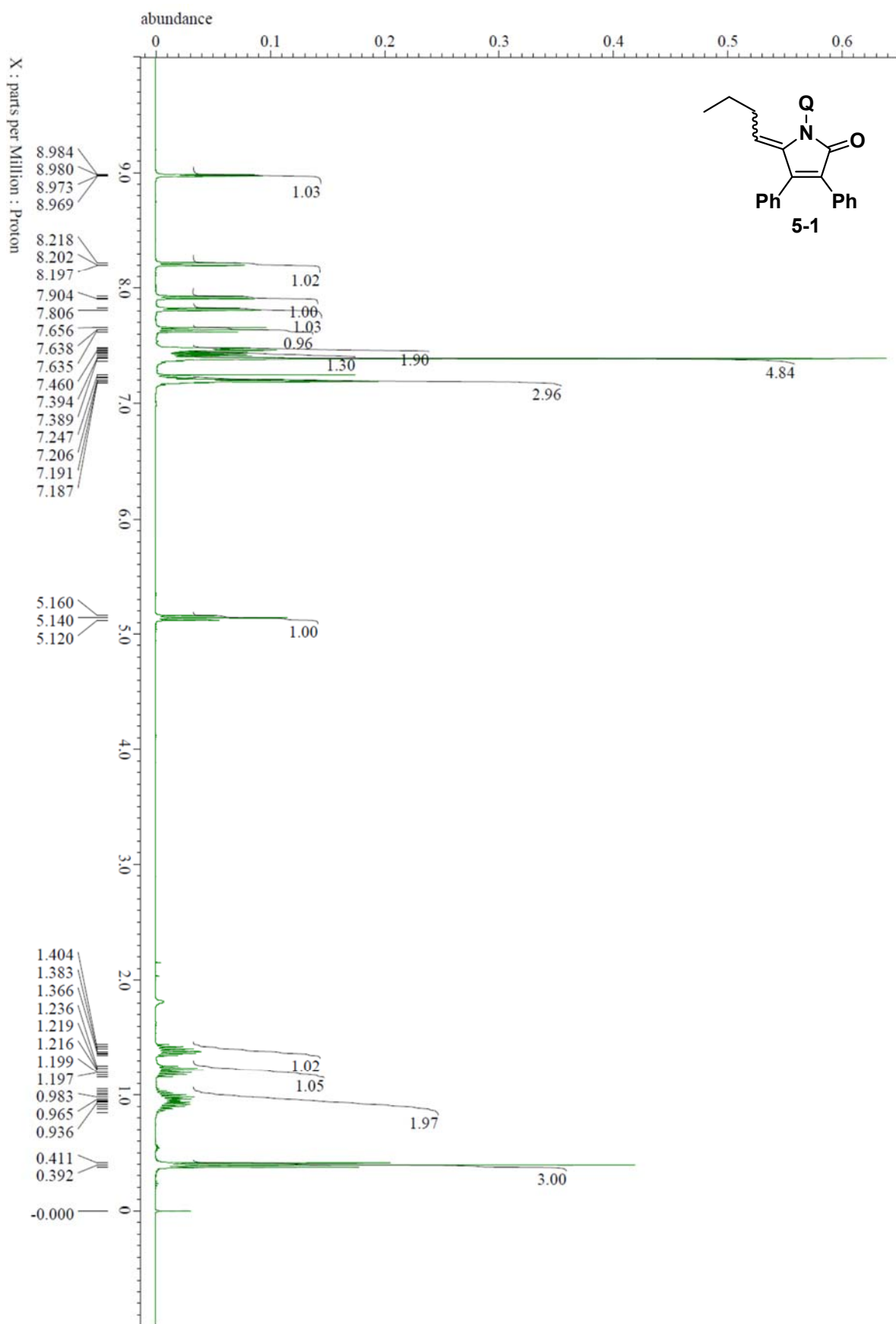


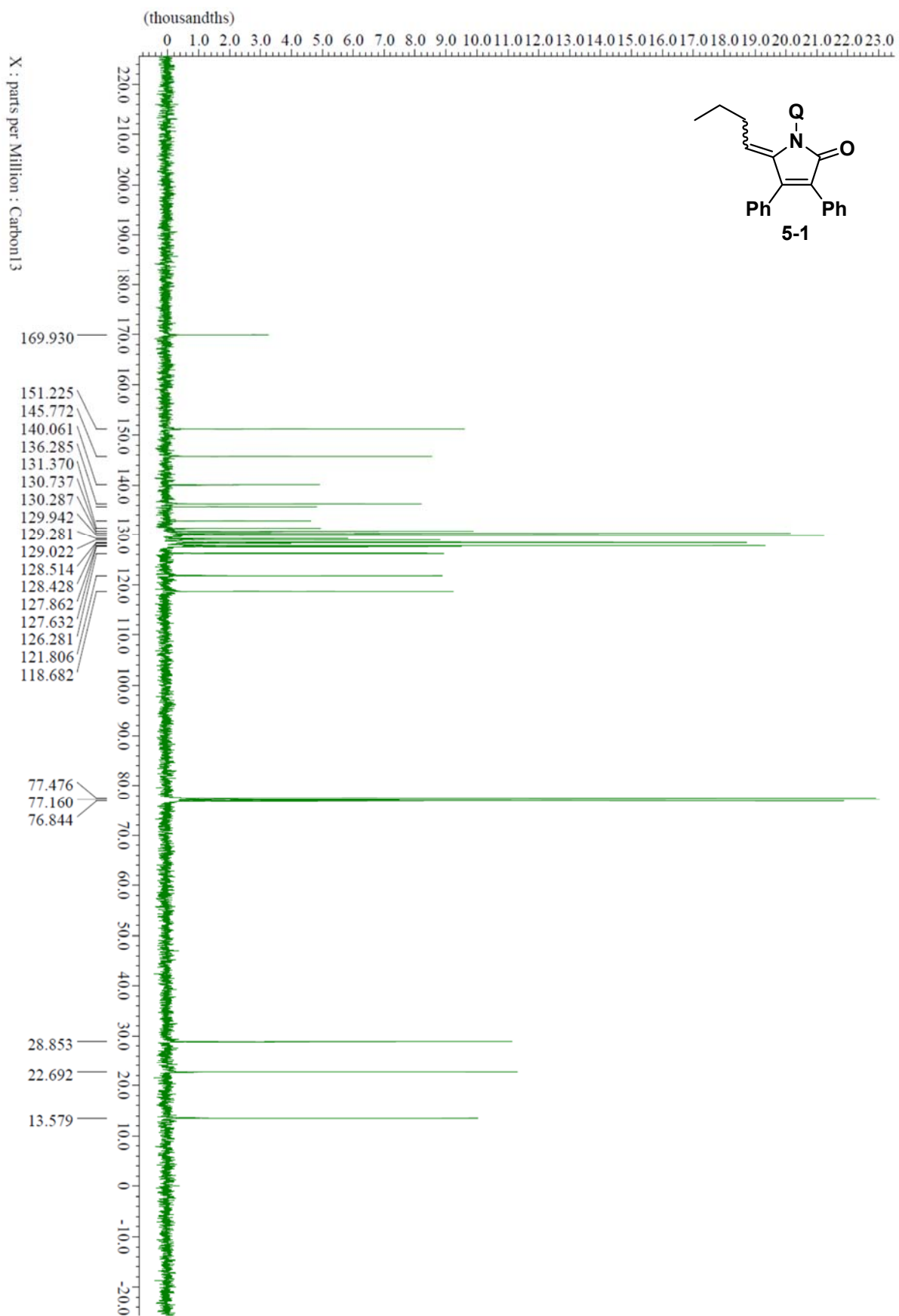


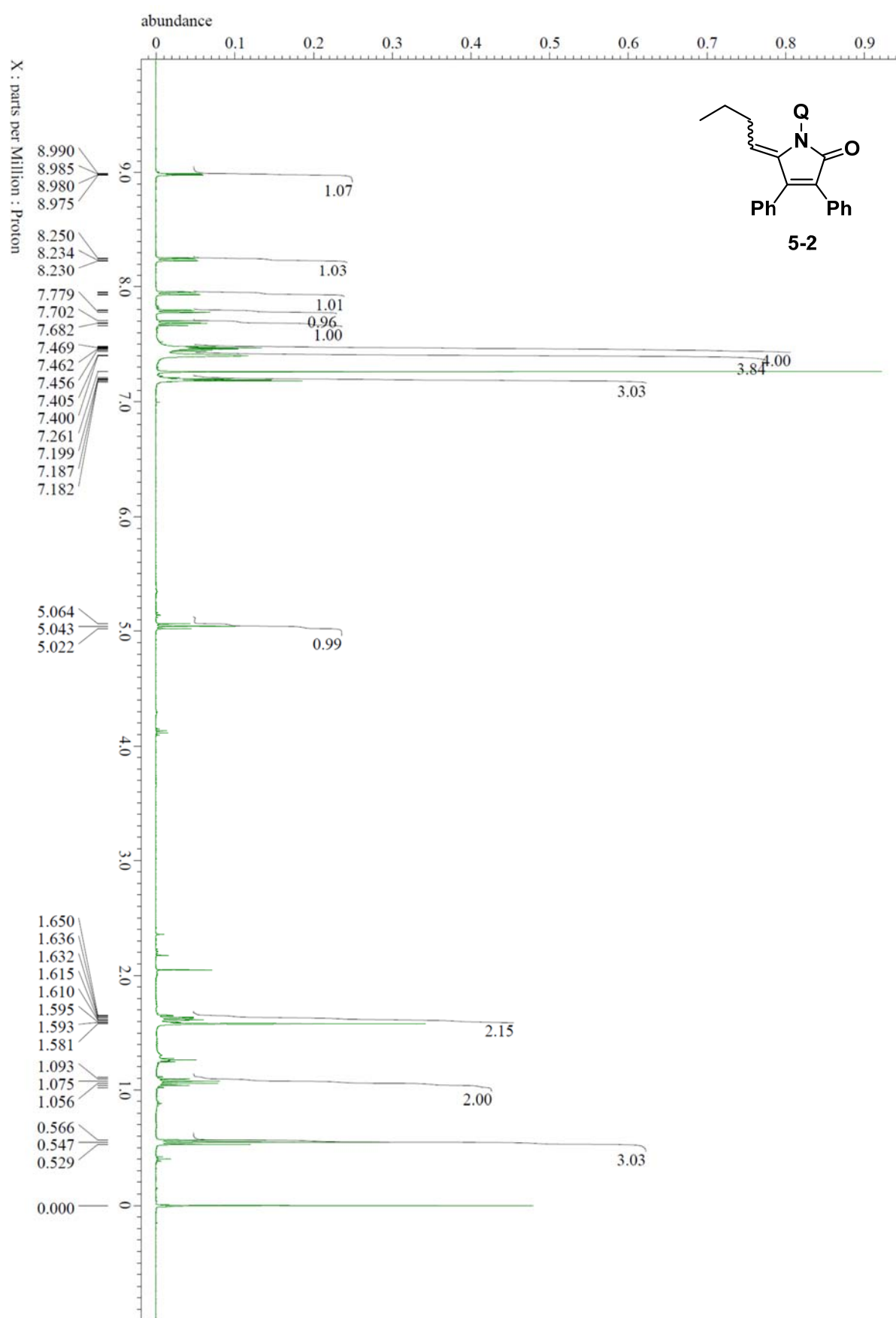


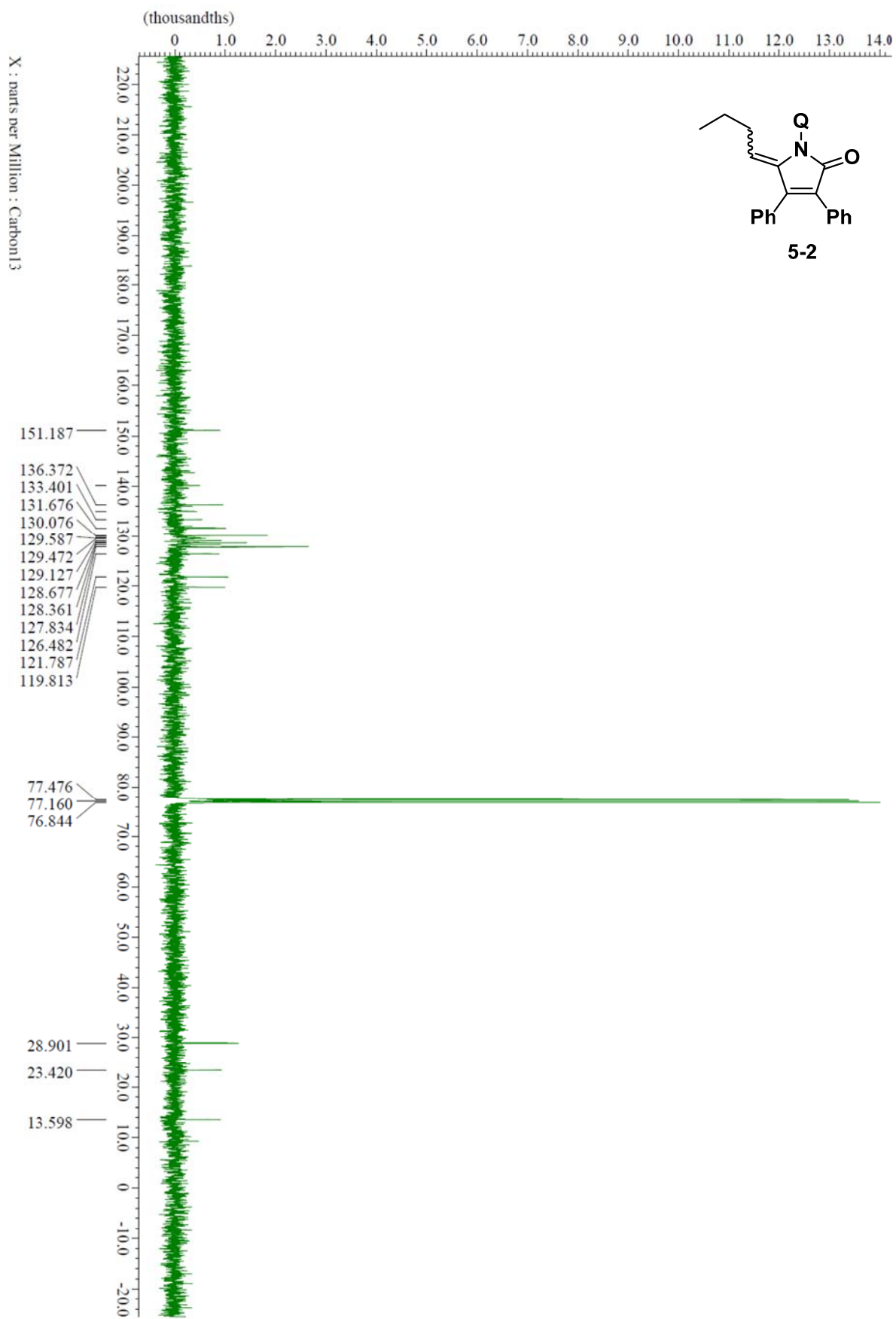


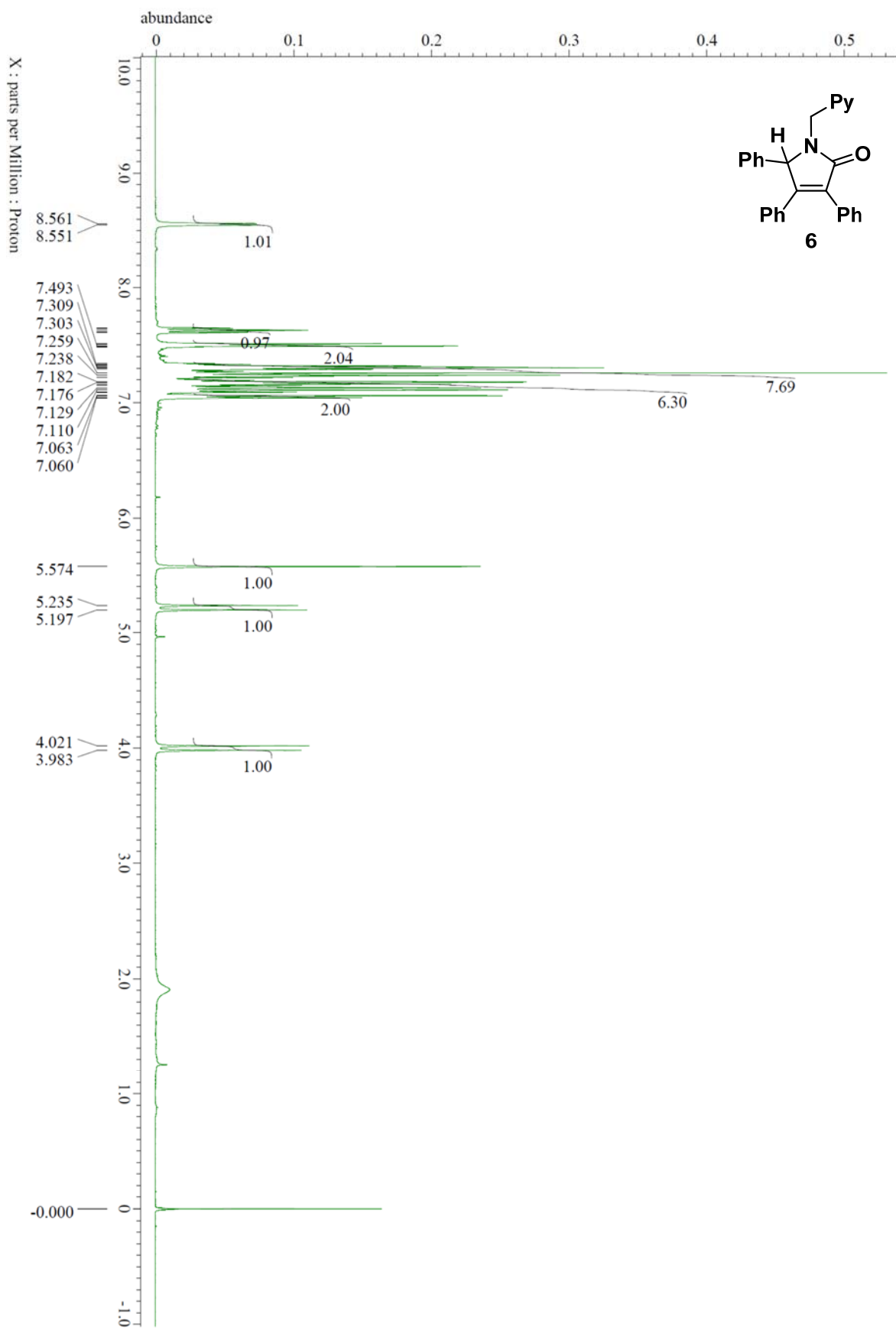


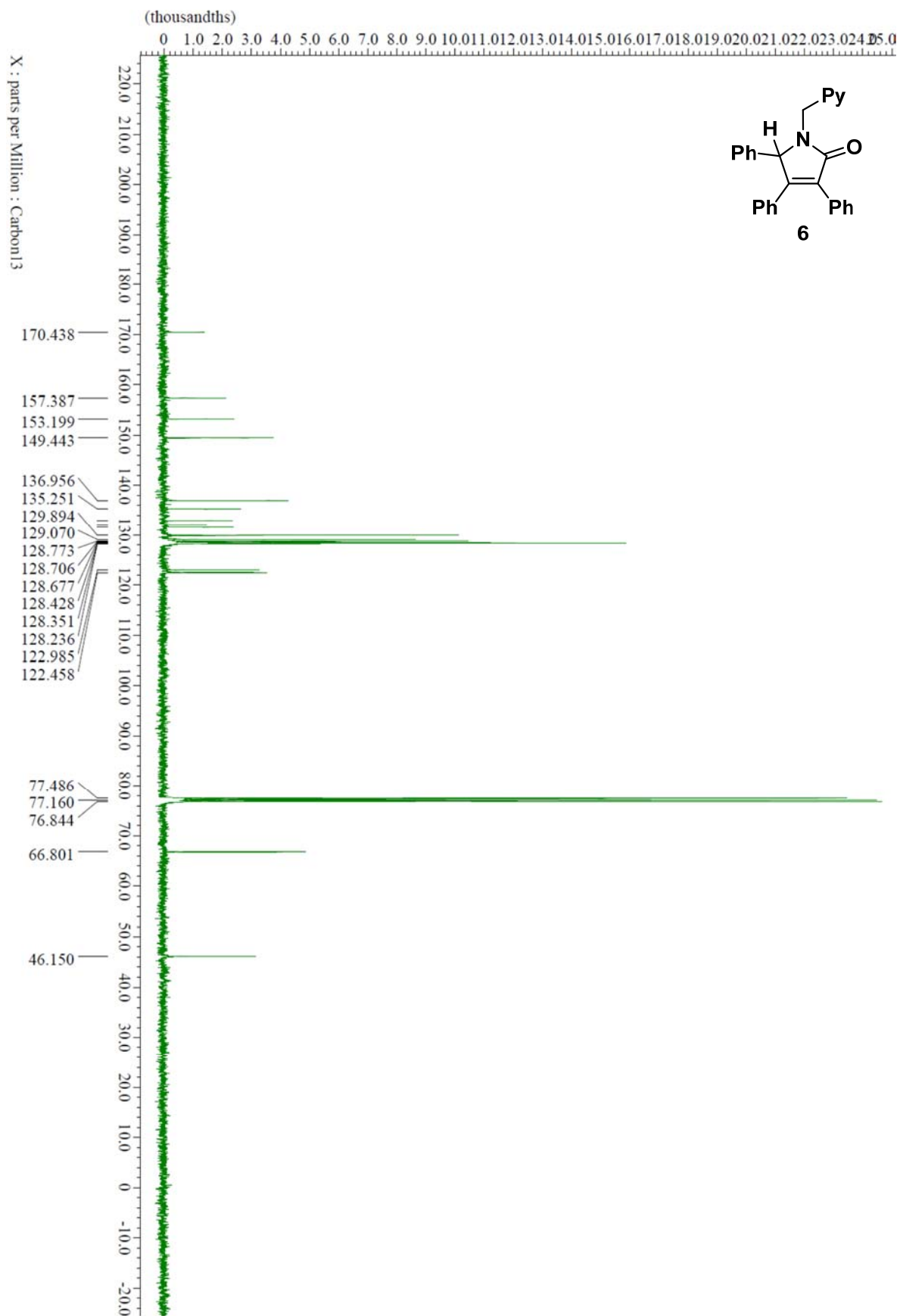












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