

## Supporting Information

### A bifunctional amino acid to study protein-protein interactions

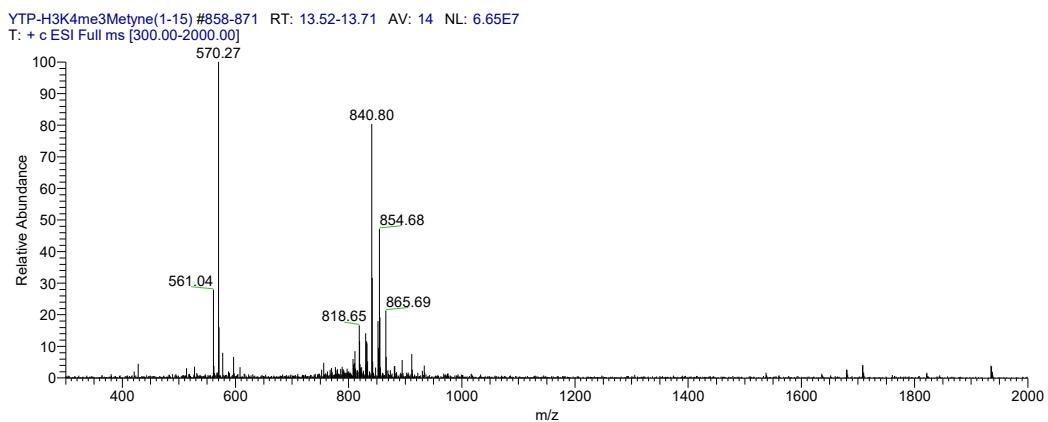
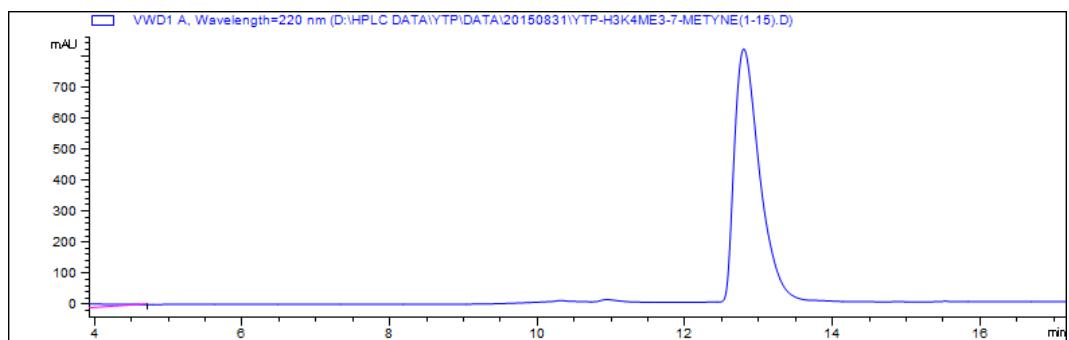
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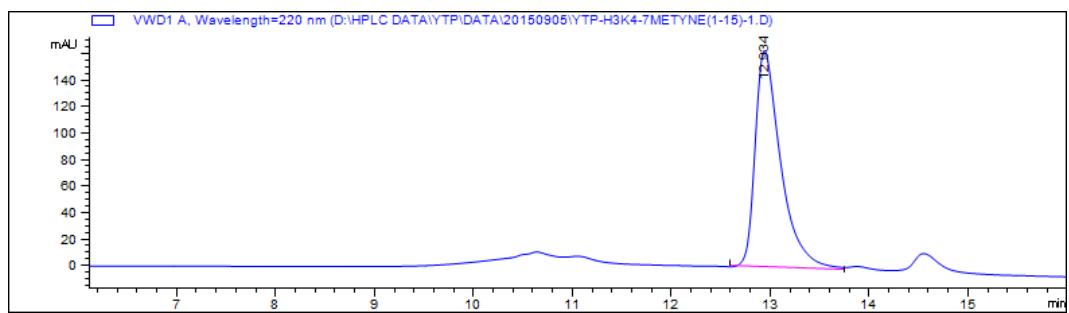
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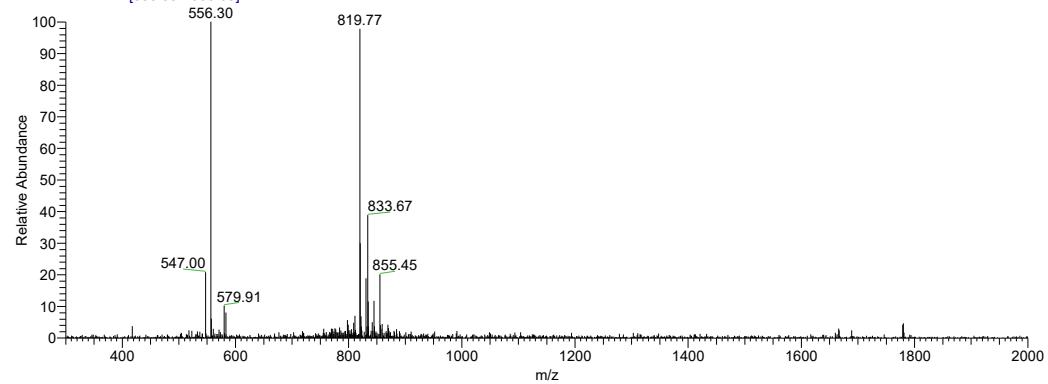
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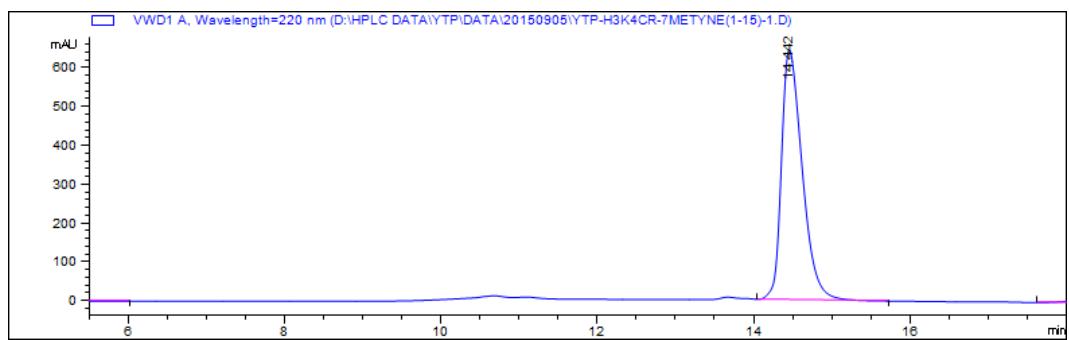
**Fig. S2** LC–MS analysis of **probe 1**.  $m/z$  854.68 ( $M + 2H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  854.50 ( $M + 2H^+$ );  $m/z$  840.80 ( $M - N_2 + 2H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  840.50 ( $M - N_2 + 2H^+$ );  $m/z$  570.27 ( $M + 3H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  570.00 ( $M + 3H^+$ );  $m/z$  561.04 ( $M - N_2 + 3H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  560.67 ( $M - N_2 + 3H^+$ ).



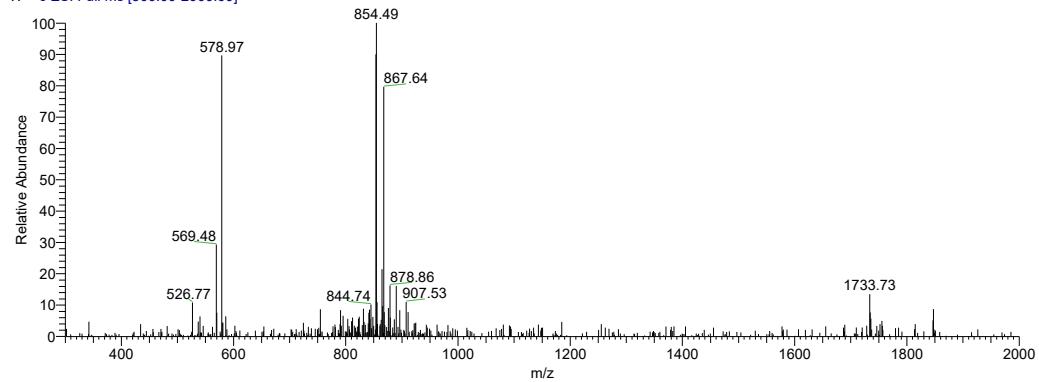
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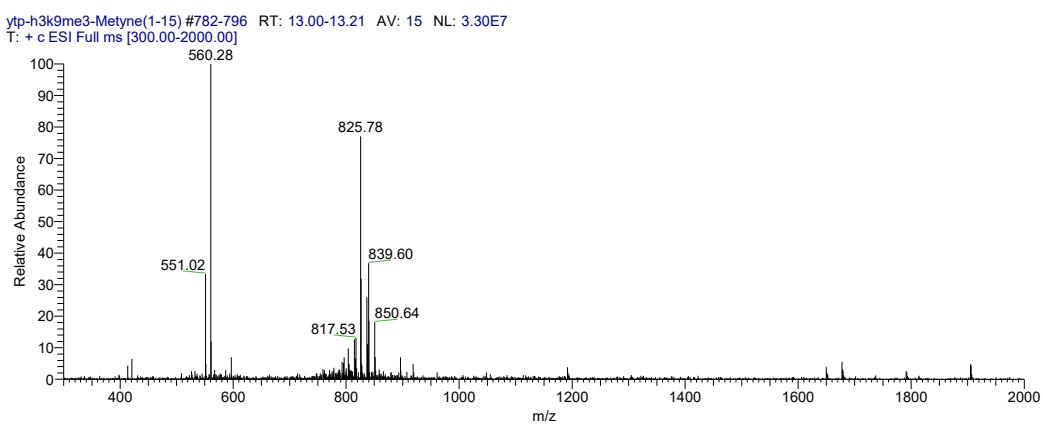
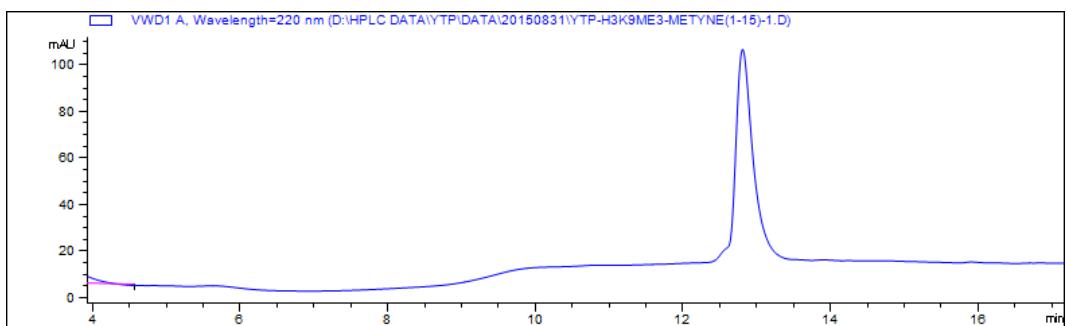
**Fig. S3** LC–MS analysis of **probe 2**.  $m/z$  855.45 ( $M + 2Na^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  855.48 ( $M + 2Na^+$ );  $m/z$  833.67 ( $M + 2H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  833.48 ( $M + 2H^+$ );  $m/z$  819.77 ( $M - N_2 + 2H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  819.48 ( $M - N_2 + 2H^+$ );  $m/z$  556.30 ( $M + 3H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  555.98 ( $M + 3H^+$ );  $m/z$  547.00 ( $M - N_2 + 3H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  546.65 ( $M - N_2 + 3H^+$ ).



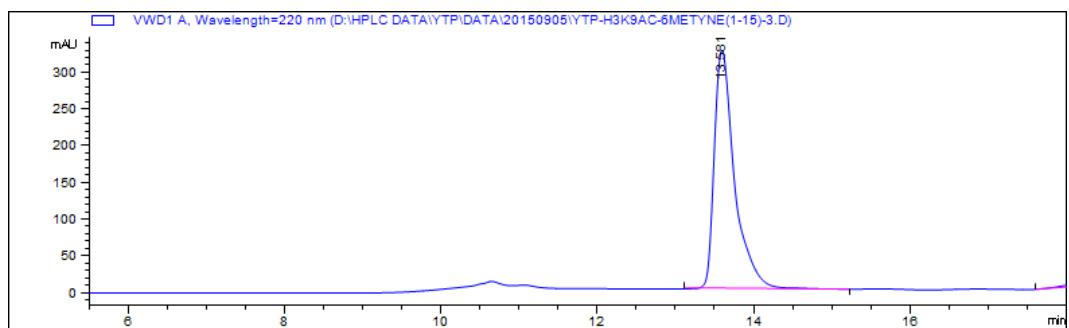
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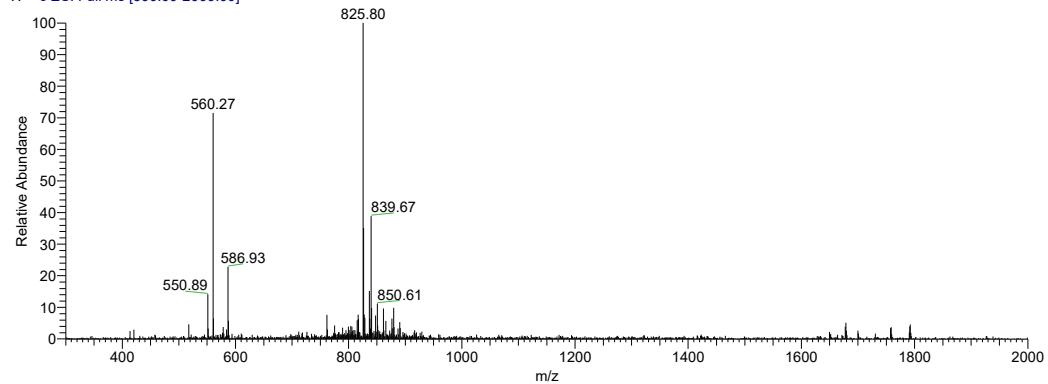
**Fig. S4** LC–MS analysis of **probe 3**.  $m/z$  1733.73 ( $M + 1H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  1733.98 ( $M + 1H^+$ );  $m/z$  867.64 ( $M + 2H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  867.49 ( $M + 2H^+$ );  $m/z$  854.49 ( $M - N_2 + 2H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  853.49 ( $M - N_2 + 2H^+$ );  $m/z$  578.97 ( $M + 3H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  578.60 ( $M + 3H^+$ ).



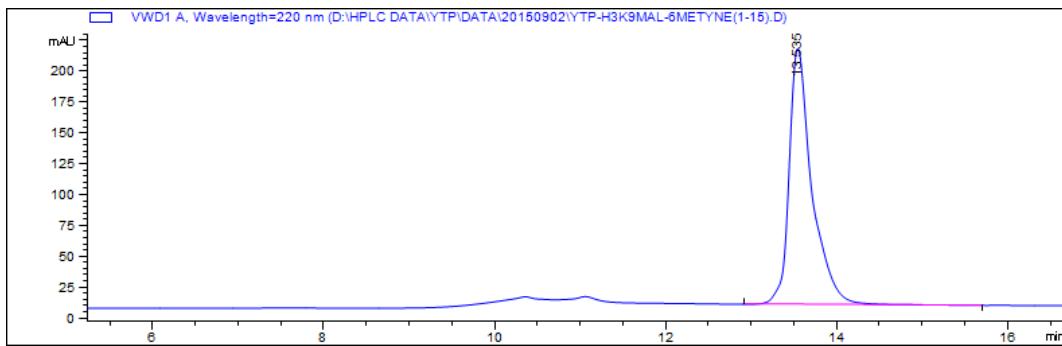
**Fig. S5** LC–MS analysis of **probe 4**.  $m/z$  839.60 ( $M + 2H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  839.50 ( $M + 2H^+$ );  $m/z$  825.78 ( $M - N_2 + 2H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  825.50 ( $M - N_2 + 2H^+$ );  $m/z$  560.28 ( $M + 3H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  560.00 ( $M + 3H^+$ );  $m/z$  551.02 ( $M - N_2 + 3H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  550.67 ( $M - N_2 + 3H^+$ ).



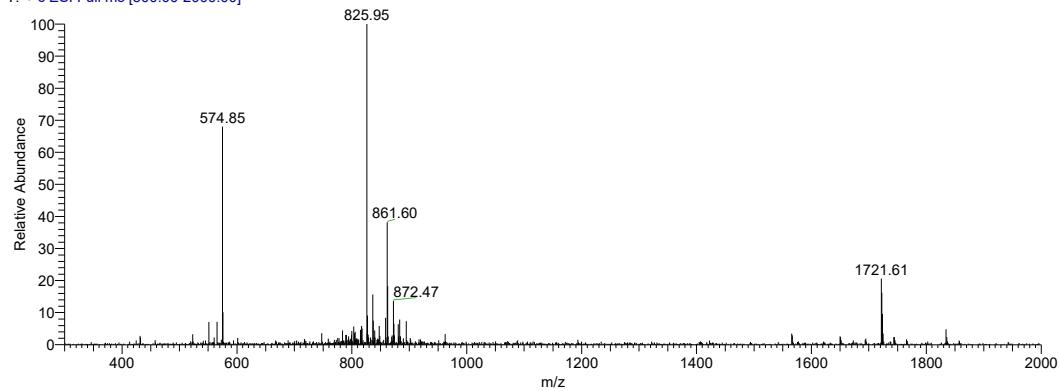
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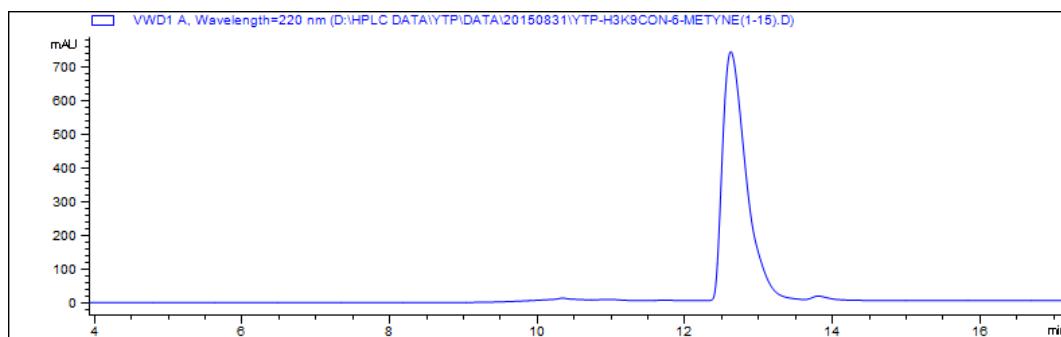
**Fig. S6** LC–MS analysis of **probe 5**.  $m/z$  839.67 ( $M + 2H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  839.48 ( $M + 2H^+$ );  $m/z$  825.80 ( $M - N_2 + 2H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  825.48 ( $M - N_2 + 2H^+$ );  $m/z$  560.27 ( $M + 3H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  559.98 ( $M + 3H^+$ );  $m/z$  550.89 ( $M - N_2 + 3H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  550.65 ( $M - N_2 + 3H^+$ ).



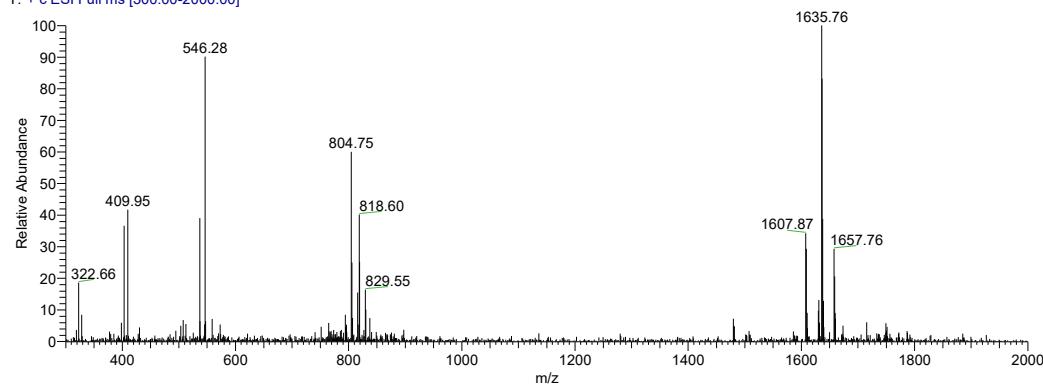
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**Fig. S7** LC–MS analysis of **probe 6**.  $m/z$  1721.61 ( $M + 1H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  1721.94 ( $M + 1H^+$ );  $m/z$  861.60 ( $M + 2H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  861.47 ( $M + 2H^+$ );  $m/z$  825.95 ( $M - N_2 - CO_2 + 2H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  825.47 ( $M - N_2 - CO_2 + 2H^+$ );  $m/z$  574.85 ( $M + 3H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  574.65 ( $M + 3H^+$ ).

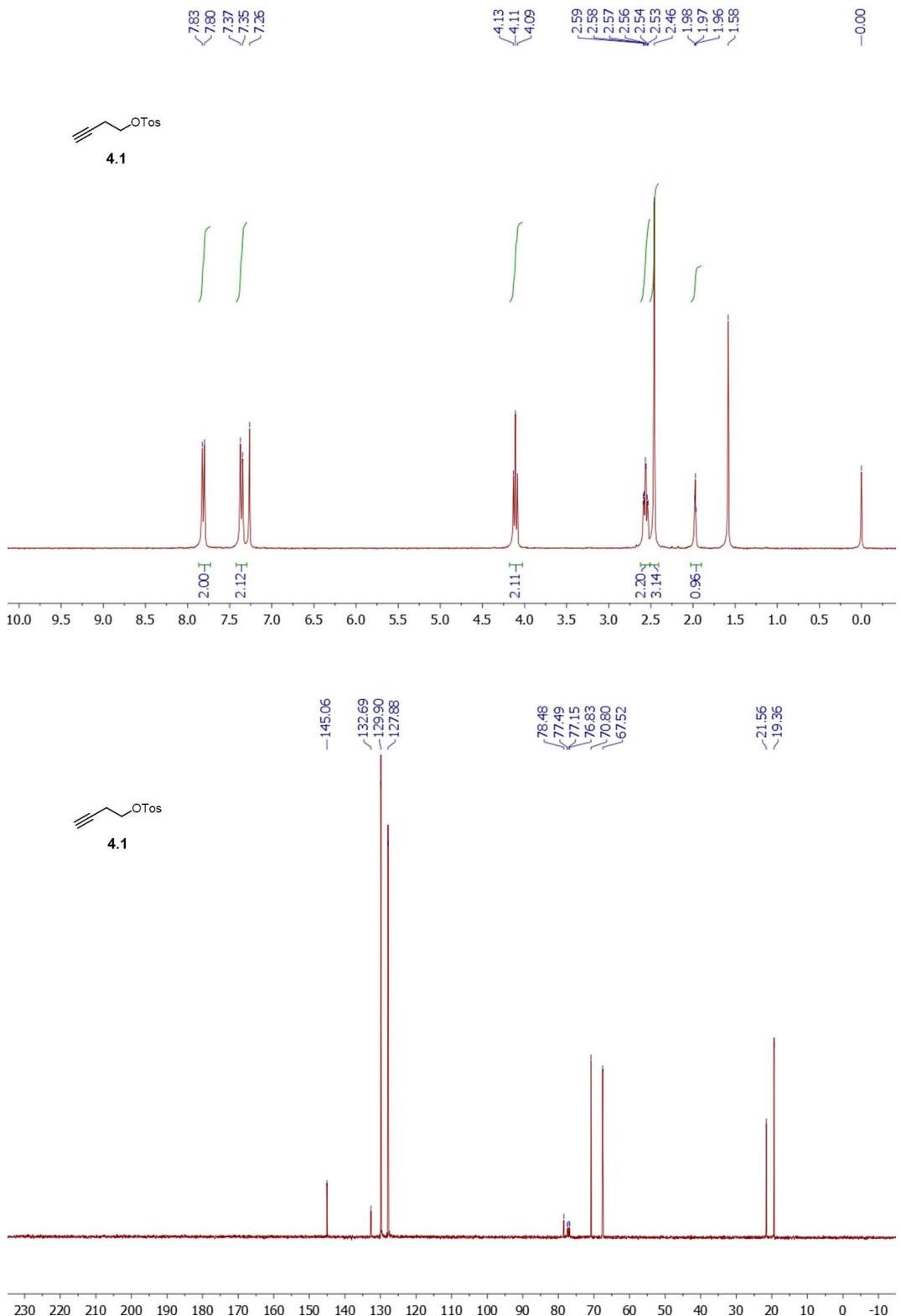


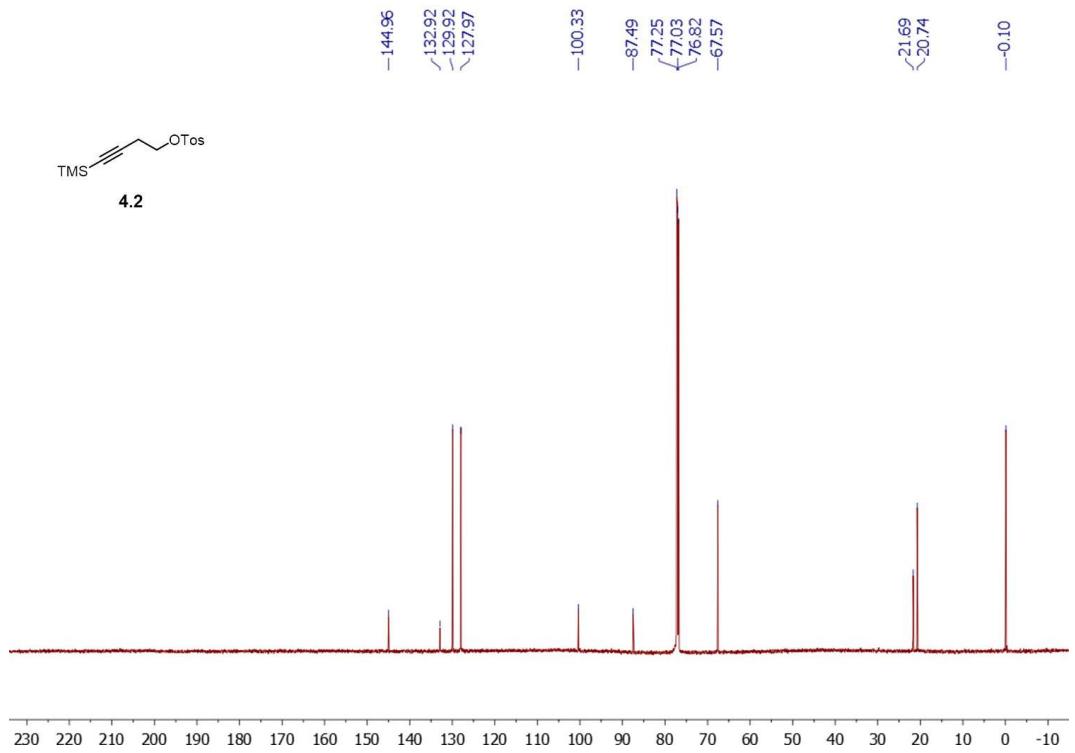
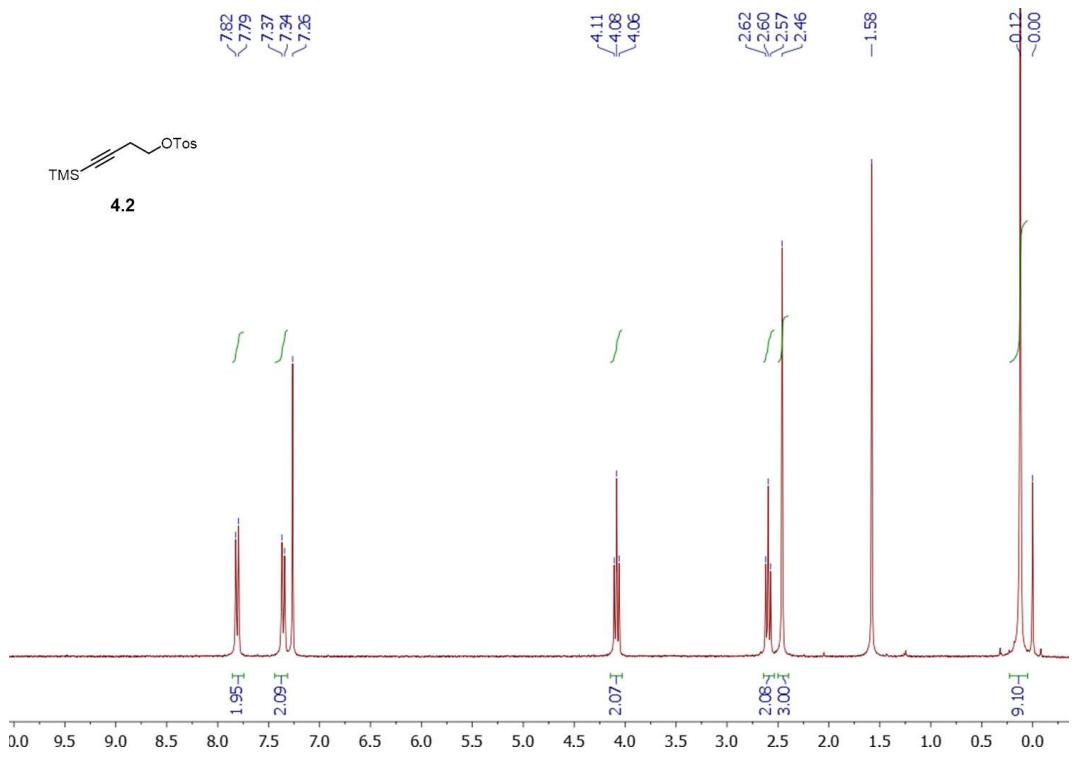
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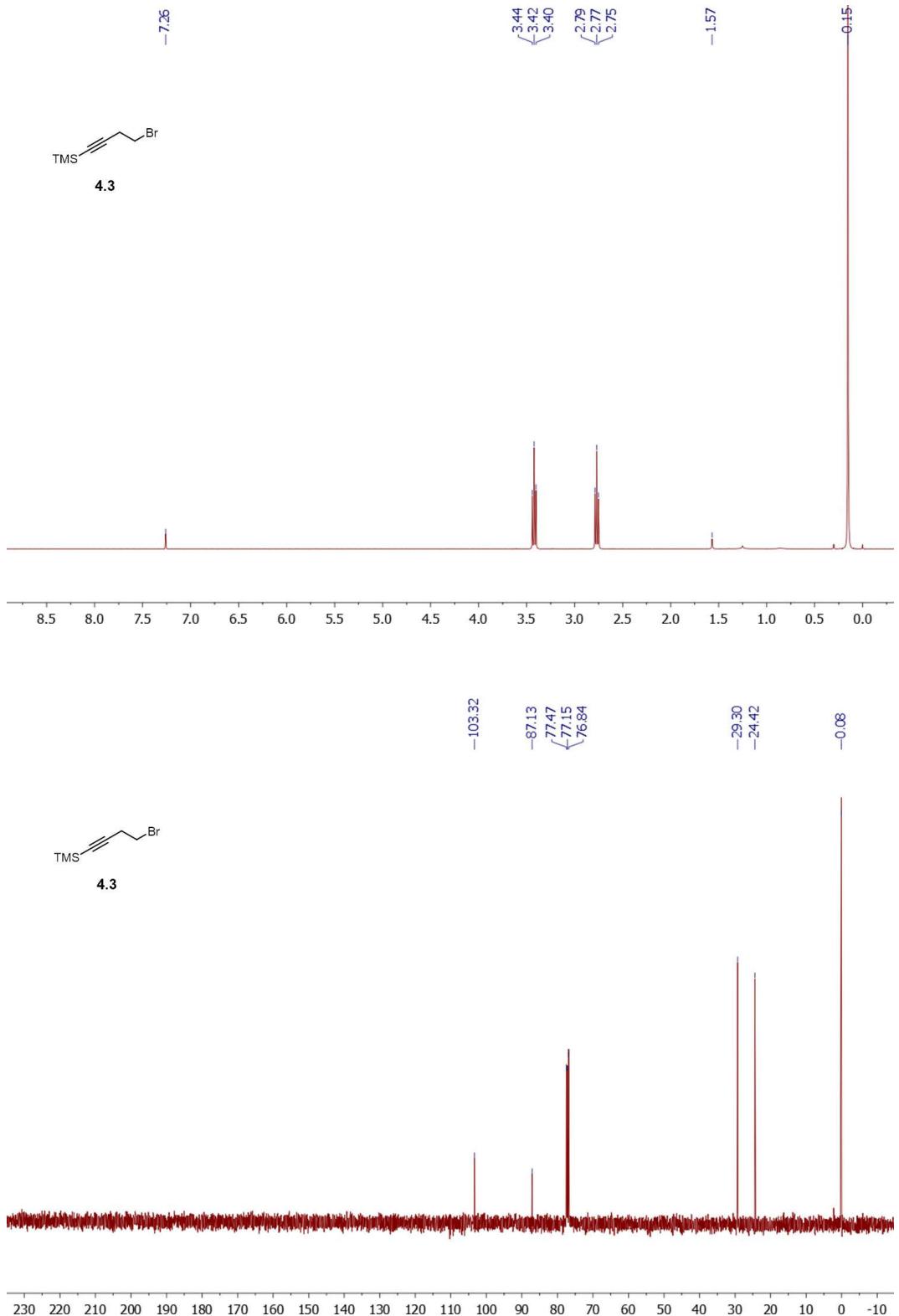


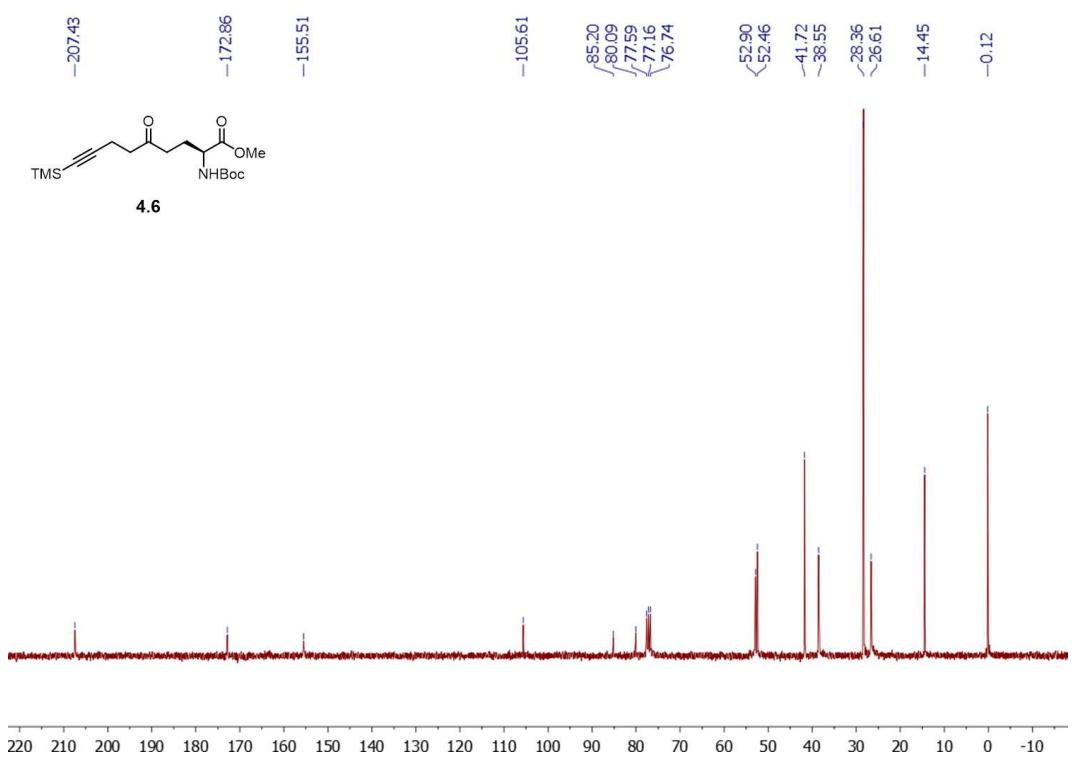
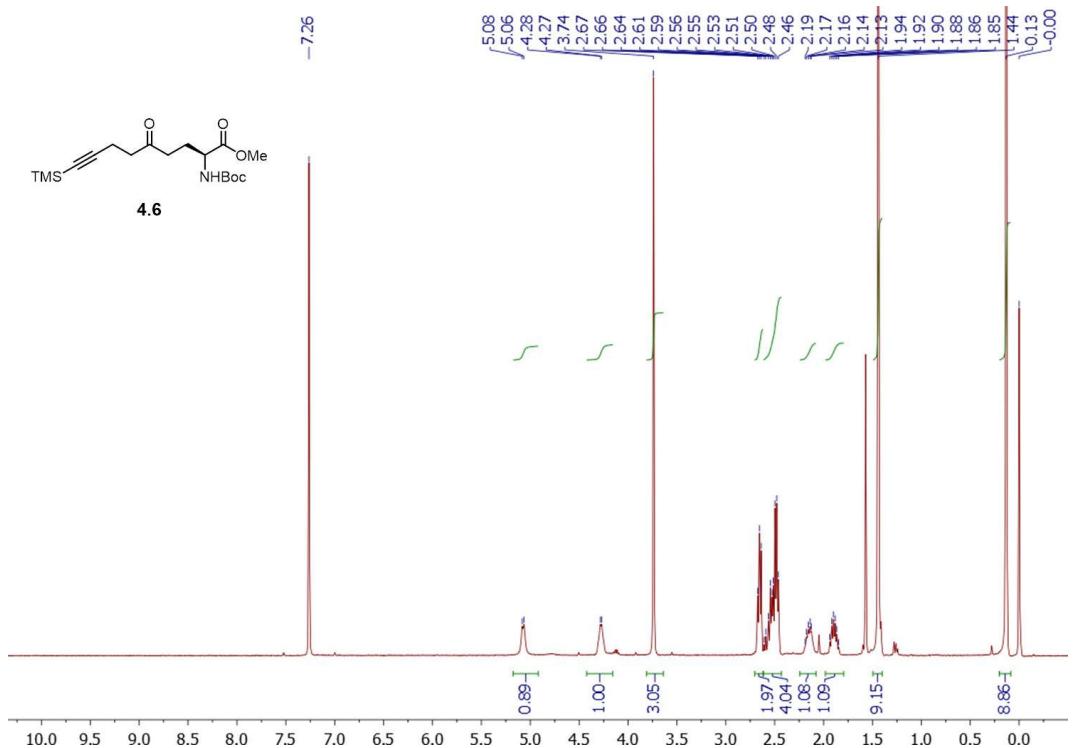
**Fig. S8** LC–MS analysis of **probe 7**.  $m/z$  1657.76 ( $M + Na^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  1657.94 ( $M + Na^+$ );  $m/z$  1635.76 ( $M + 1H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  1635.94 ( $M + 1H^+$ );  $m/z$  1607.87 ( $M - N_2 + 1H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  1607.94 ( $M - N_2 + 1H^+$ );  $m/z$  818.60 ( $M + 2H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  818.47 ( $M + 2H^+$ );  $m/z$  804.75 ( $M - N_2 + 2H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  804.47 ( $M - N_2 + 2H^+$ );  $m/z$  546.28 ( $M + 3H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  545.98 ( $M + 3H^+$ );  $m/z$  409.95 ( $M + 4H^+$ ), calculated  $m/z$  409.74 ( $M + 4H^+$ ).

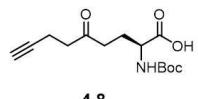
The synthesis of H3K4me0 and H3K4me3 peptides have been reported previously.<sup>2</sup>



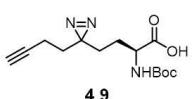
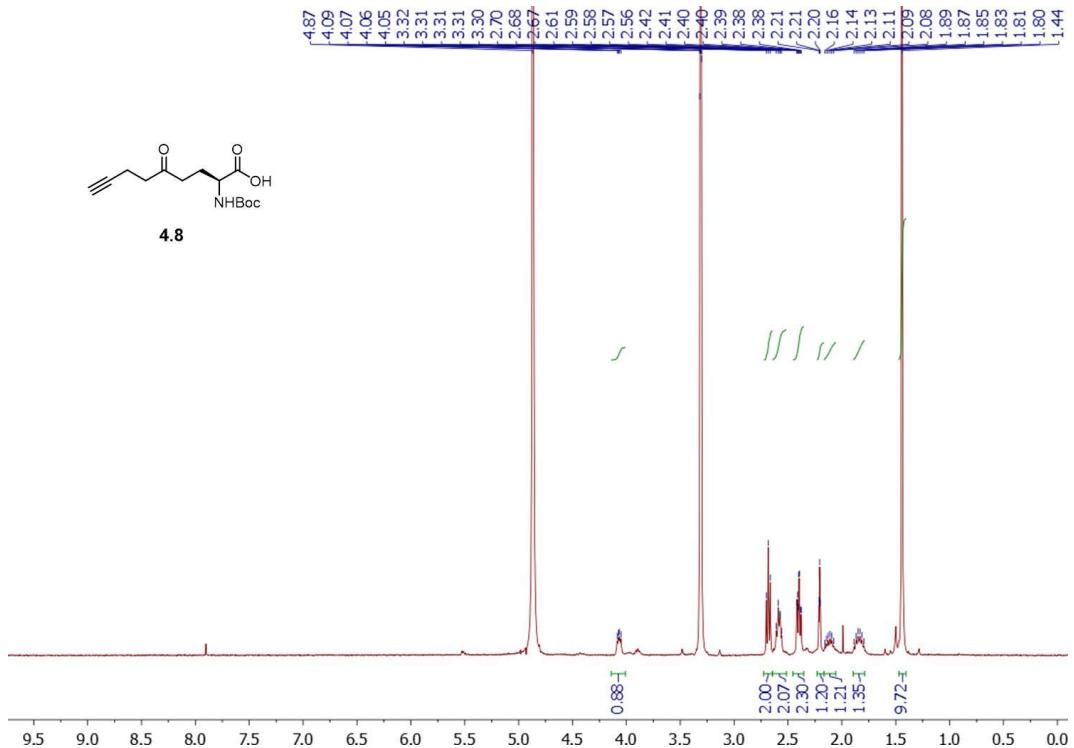








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