

Copper diaryl-dithiocarbamate complexes and their application as single source precursors (SSPs) for copper-sulfide nanomaterials

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Complex	2b	2c	4
Empirical formula	C ₃₀ H ₂₈ N ₂ S ₄ Cu	C ₃₀ H ₂₈ CuN ₂ O ₄ S ₄	C ₅₁ H ₄₄ CuNP ₂ S ₂
Formula weight (Å)	608.32	672.32	860.47
Temperature (K)	100(1)	150(2)	100(2)
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic
Space group	P2 ₁ /c	P2 ₁ /n	P2 ₁ /c
Unit cell dimensions			
<i>a</i> (Å)	11.1900(6)	9.7567(2)	18.9452(4)
<i>b</i> (Å)	17.2006(6)	19.5651(2)	12.0938(2)
<i>c</i> (Å)	14.9006(5)	16.5460(2)	19.1076(5)
α (°)	90	90	90
β (°)	97.231(4)	99.443(1)	105.406(3)
γ (°)	90	90	90
Volume (Å ³)	2845.2(2)	3115.68(8)	4220.61(17)
Z	4	4	4
Density (calculated) (g/cm ³)	1.420	1.433	1.354
Absorption coefficient	3.994	3.804	0.730
F(000)	1260	1388	1792
Crystal size (mm)	0.07 × 0.05 × 0.01	0.28 × 0.04 × 0.03	0.38 × 0.025 × 0.02
θ Range for data collection (°)	7.886 to 140.898	7.052 to 145.842	4.04 to 57.436
Index ranges	-13 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 12, -20 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 20, -17 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 17	-11 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 11 -23 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 24 -20 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 20	-25 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 25 -15 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 15 -25 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 25
Reflections collected	21888	51710	51312
Independent reflections	5239	6144	9554
Data / restraints / parameters	5239/0/338	6144/0/482	9554/0/516
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.040	1.076	1.026
Final <i>R</i> indices [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0667, w <i>R</i> ₂ = 0.1516	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0300, w <i>R</i> ₂ = 0.0761	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0834, w <i>R</i> ₂ = 0.1866
<i>R</i> indices (all data)	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0999, w <i>R</i> ₂ = 0.1694	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0338, w <i>R</i> ₂ = 0.0786	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.1369, w <i>R</i> ₂ = 0.2143
Largest peak and hole(e.Å ⁻³)	0.72/-0.59	0.47/-0.37	1.40/-0.78

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SSP	Conditions	Phases	Crystallite size (nm)
2b	OLA, 140 °C, HU	CuS	24
2b	OLA, 230 °C, HU	Cu _{1.84} S	36
2b	OLA, 230 °C, HI	Cu _{1.84} S	35
3	OLA, 230 °C, HU	Cu _{1.84} S	60
3	OLA, 230 °C, HI	Cu _{1.84} S	50

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(Where, D = Crystallite size, Scherrer constant $K = 0.9$, Wavelength of the X-ray source, $\gamma = 0.15406$ nm, β = FWHM, 2θ = peak position)

Table S3. TGA and DSC results for dry $[\text{Cu}\{\text{S}_2\text{CN}(\text{p-tolyl})_2\}_2]$ (**2b**) heating rate 10 °C/min.

Solvent	TGA		DSC T °C	TGA weight loss (%)
	Decomposition steps T °C	Decomposition Temperature (Middle point) T °C		
Solventless	55.6-247.7	205.2	100	3.6
	249.8-297.4	266.5	270	56.6
	300.5-594.1	351.9		14.8

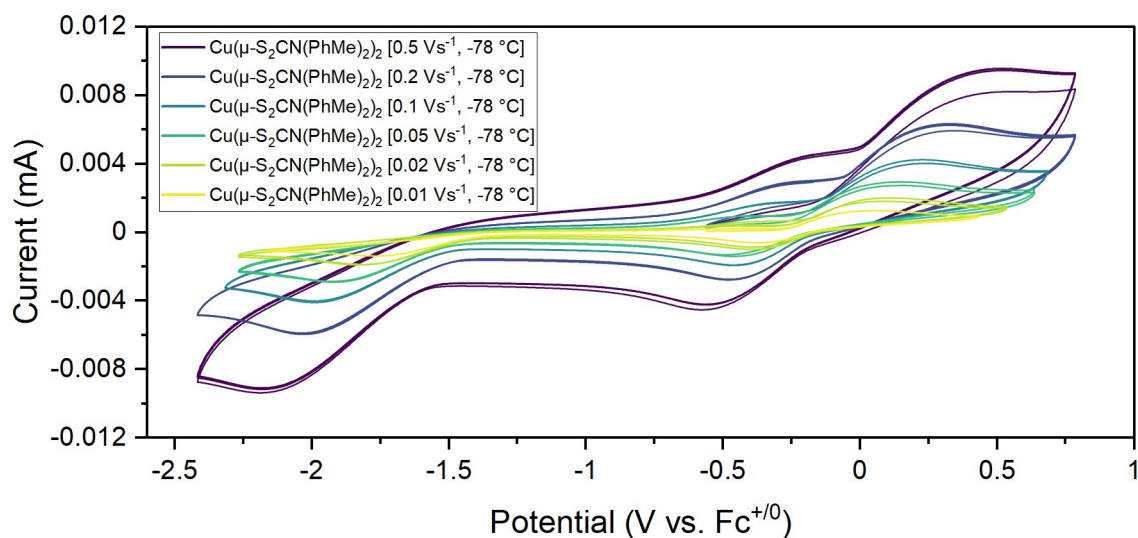


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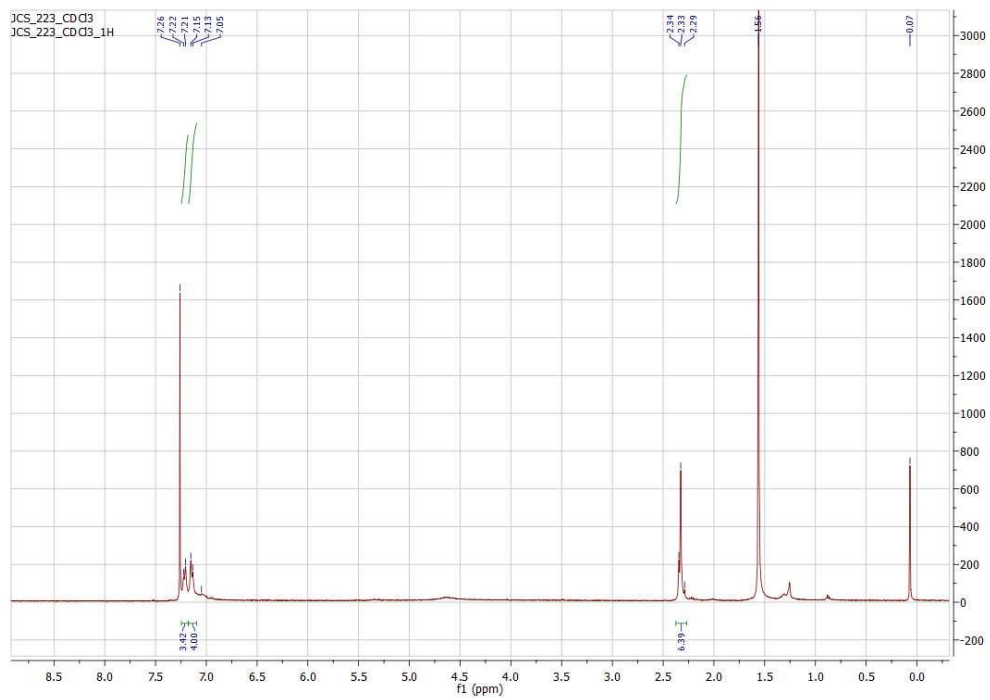


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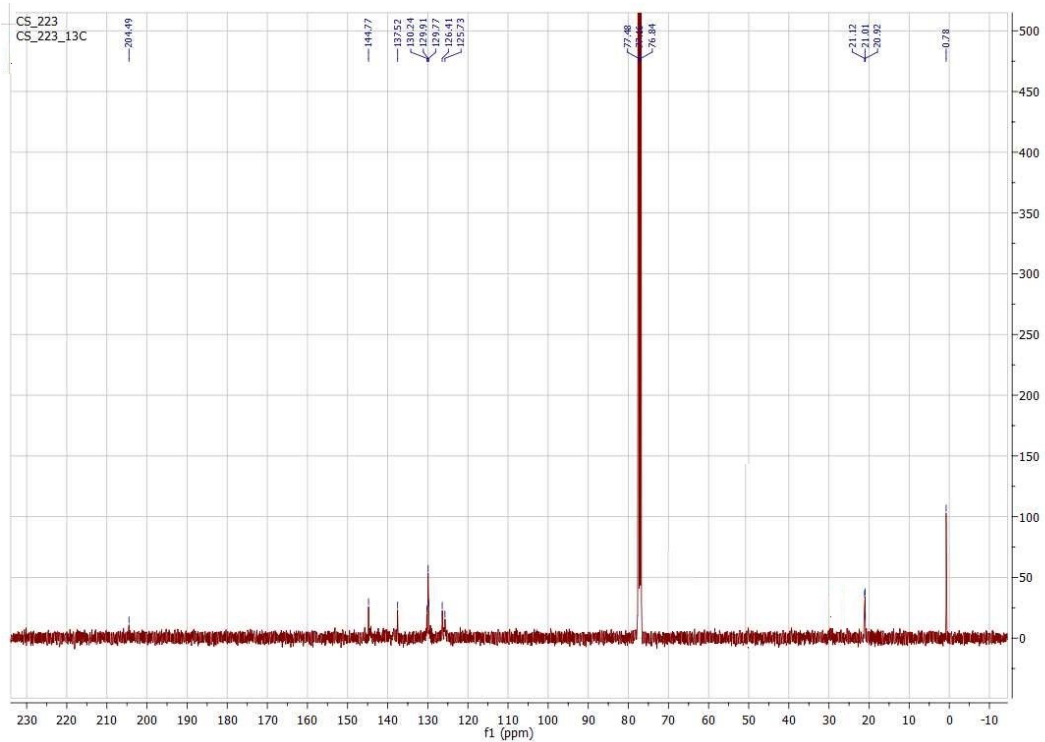


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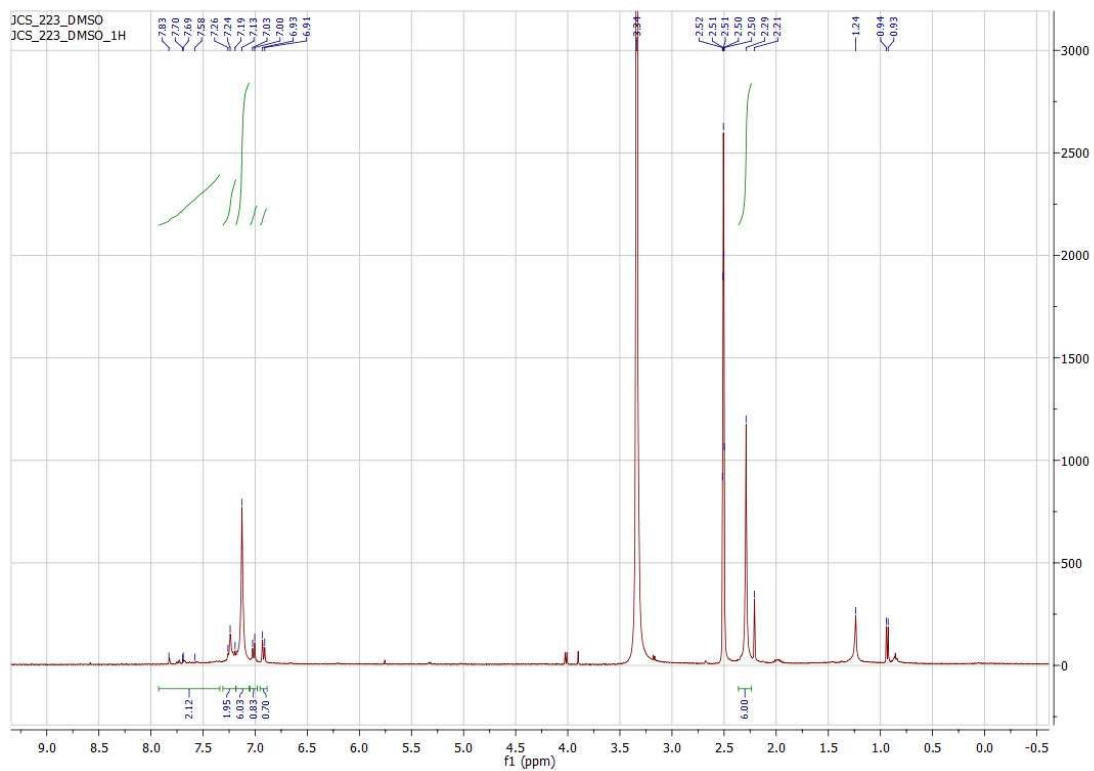


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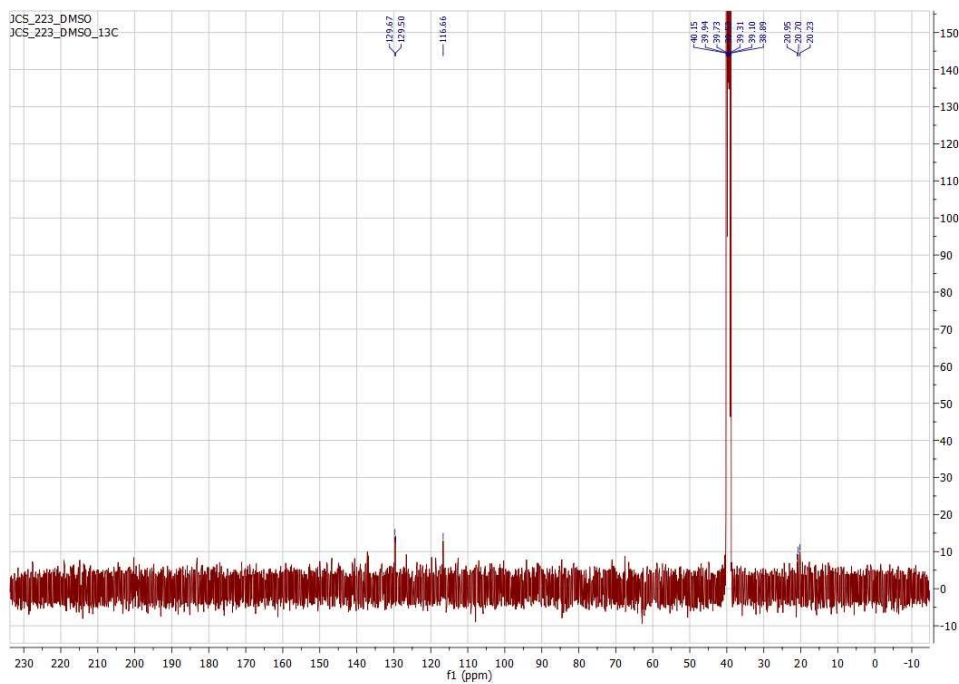


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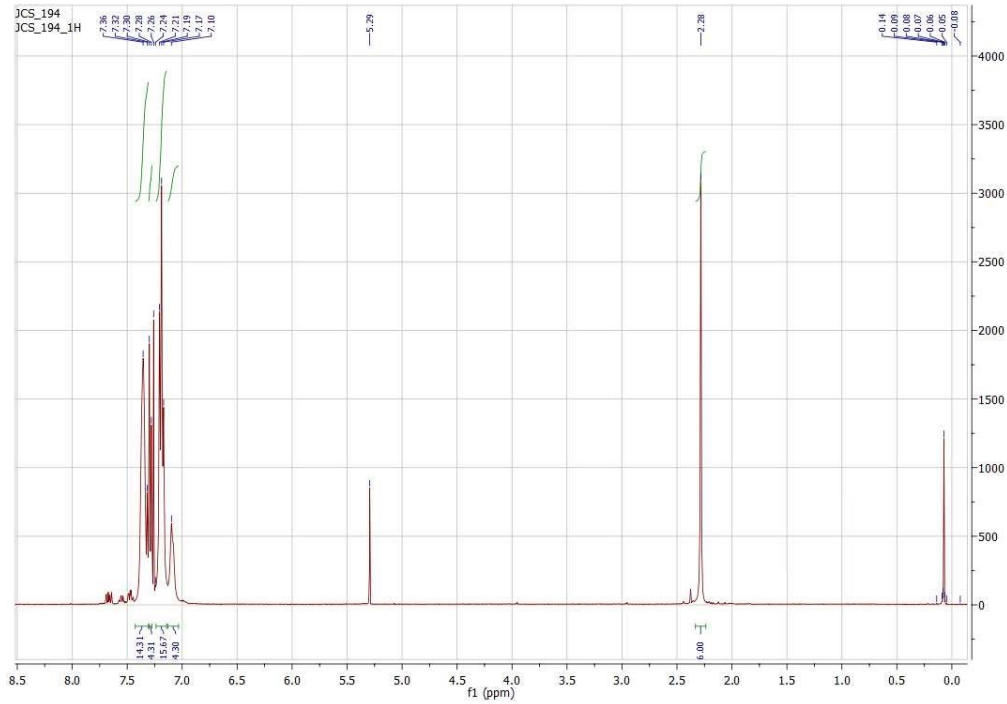


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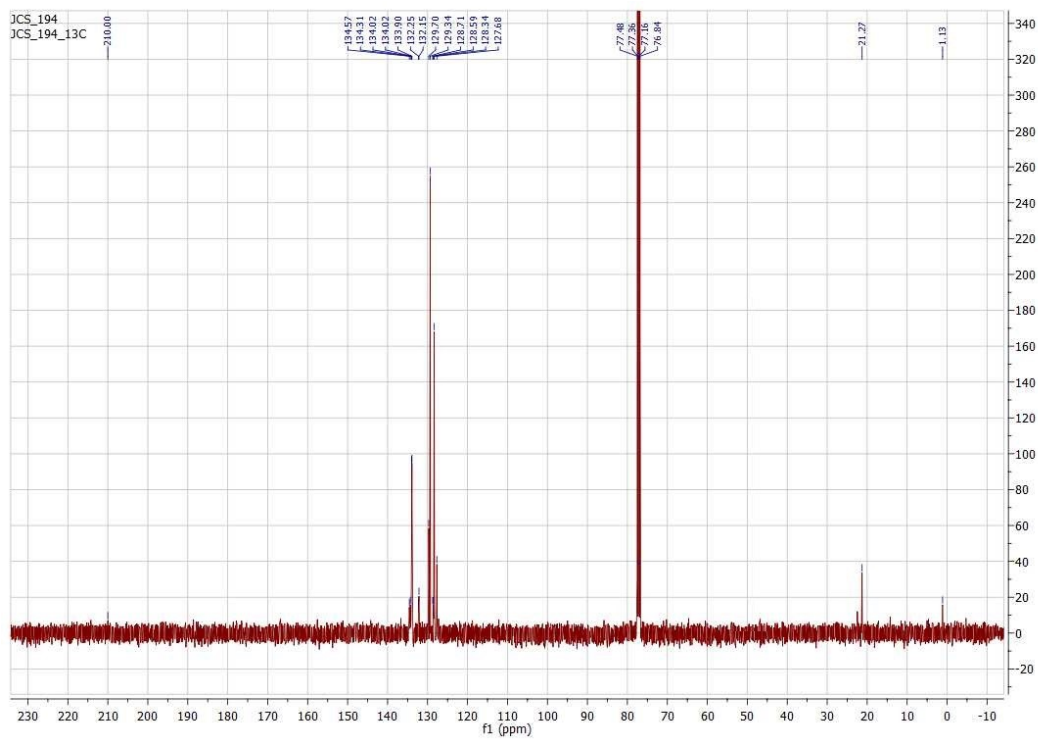


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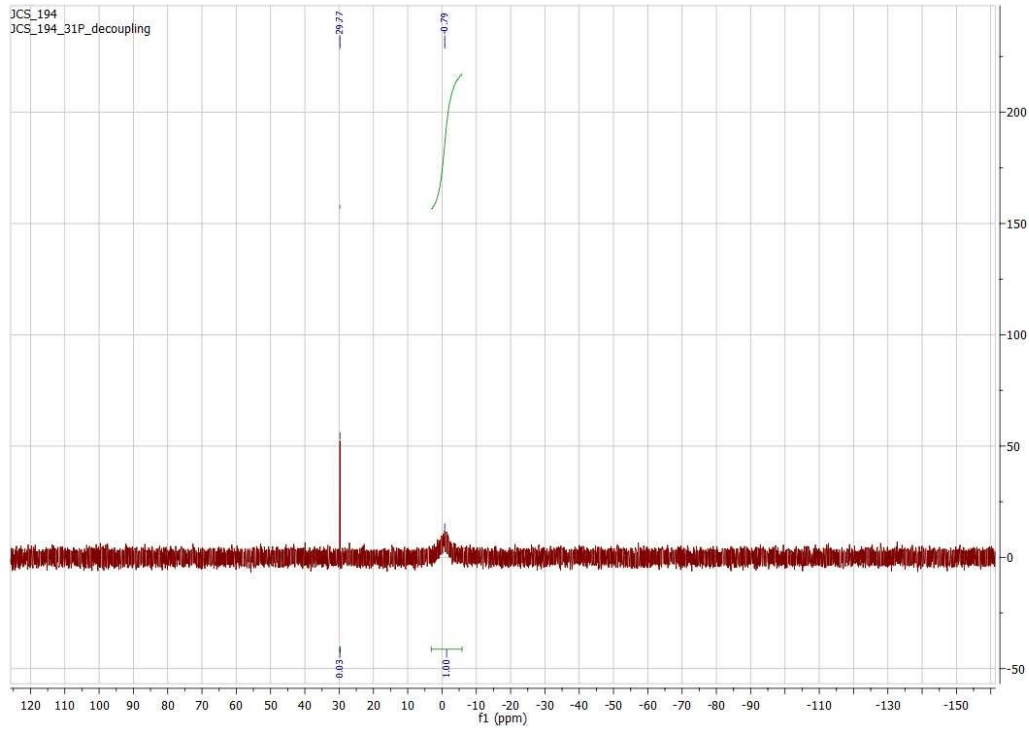


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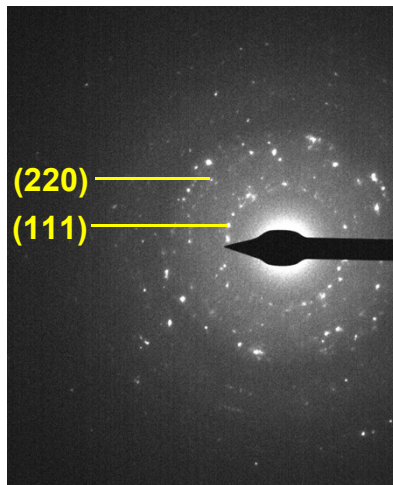


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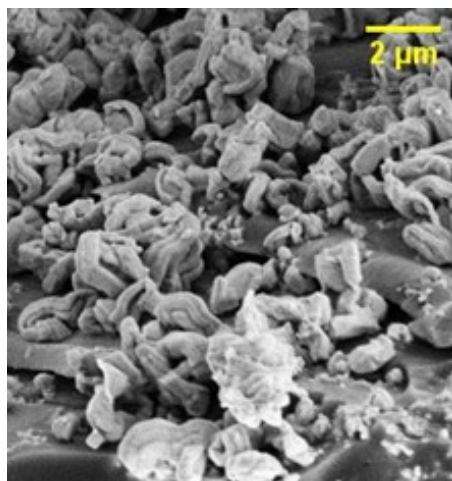


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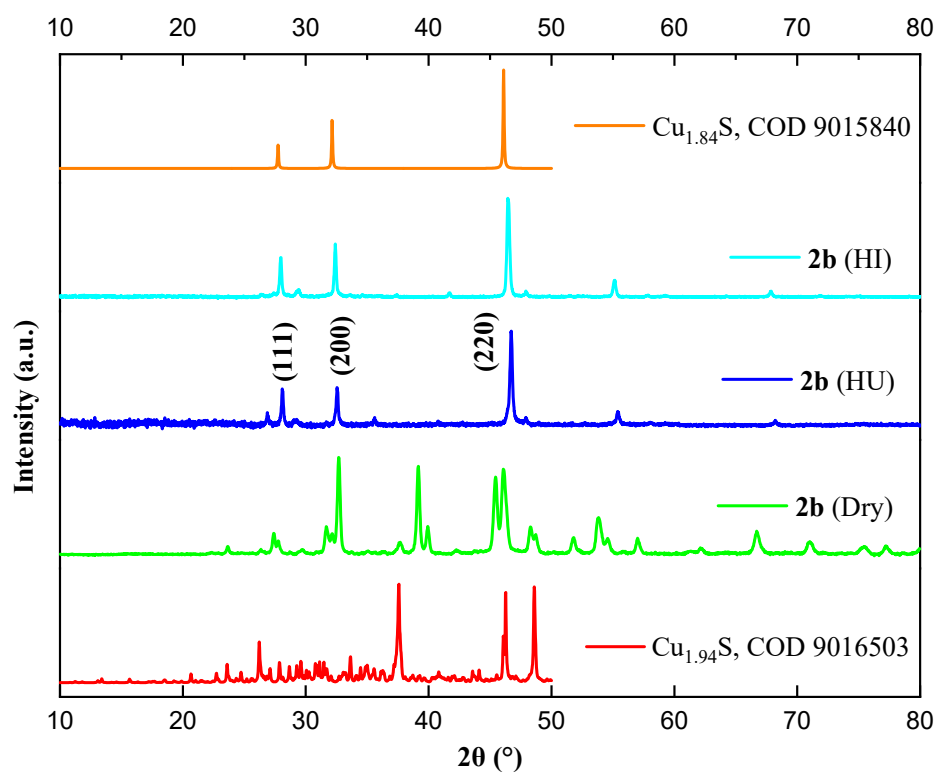


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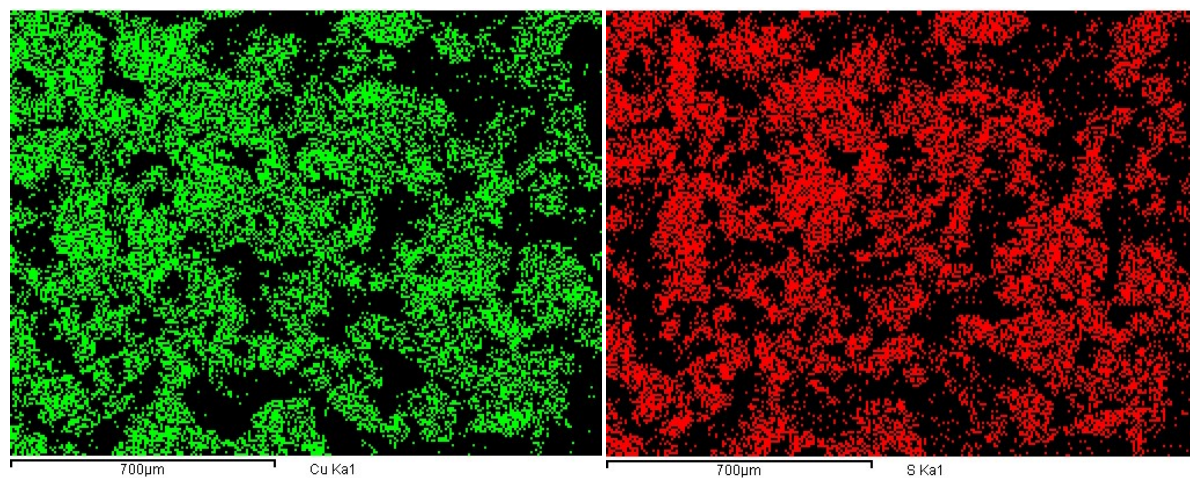
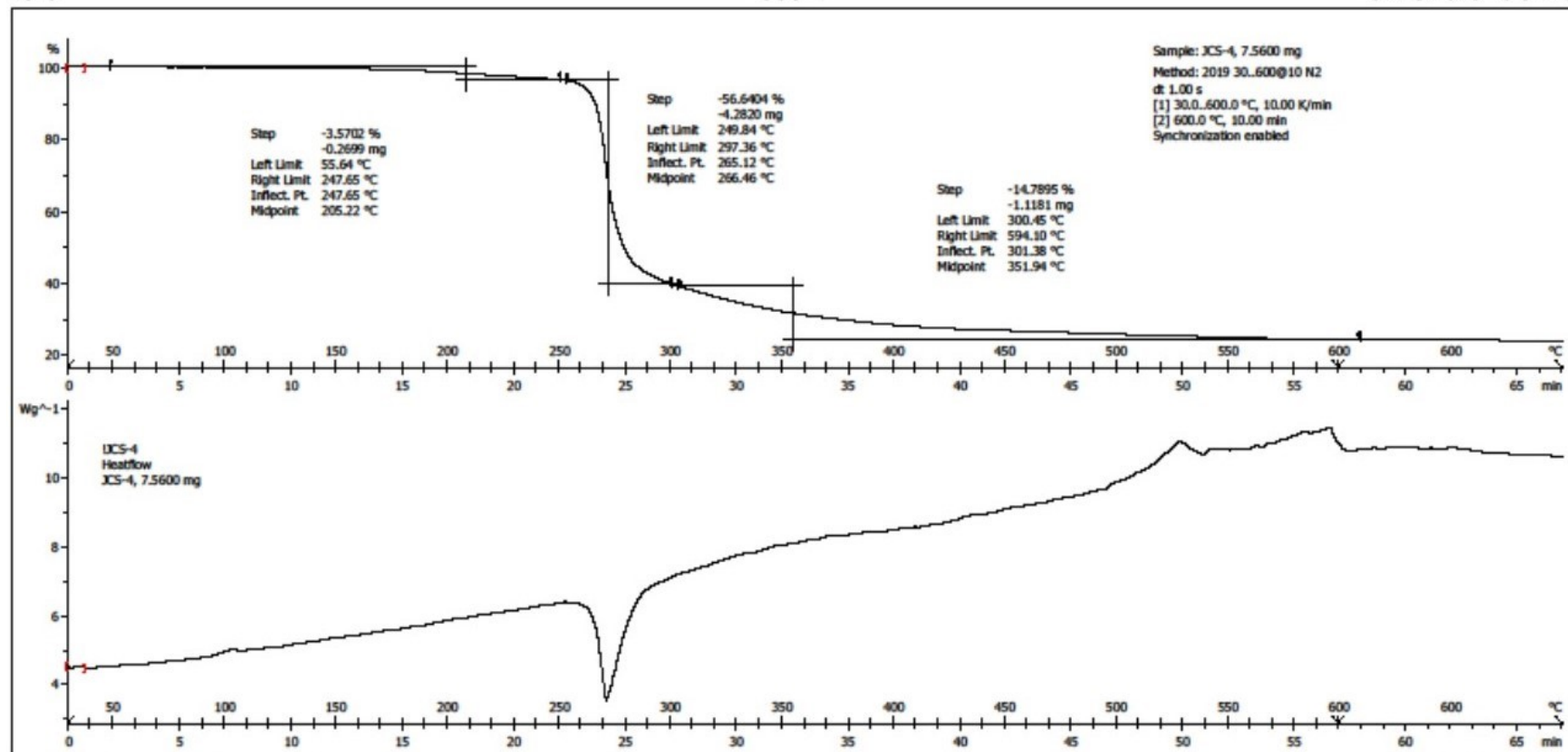


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