

Supplementary materials

New pyrazole-pyridazine hybrids as selective COX-2 inhibitors: Design, synthesis, molecular docking, *in silico* studies and investigation of the anti-inflammatory potential by evaluation of TNF- α , IL-6, PGE-2 and NO in LPS-induced RAW264.7 macrophages

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Supplementary data

(Experimental of pharamcological activity studies and molecular docking , in addition to IR, ¹HNMR and ¹³CNMR spectra of new compounds)

1. Experimental

1.1 Pharamcological activity studies

1.1.1 Cell viability assay

RAW264.7 cells (6x10³ cells/per) were placed into a 96-well plate and kept for 24 h. Five different concentrations of the investigated compounds were used (100, 25, 6.3, 1.6, and 0.4 μM/L). The cells were pretreated with the different concentrations for 1 h and then incubated with LPS (0.5 μg/ml) for 24 h. To each well, MTT solution (5 mg/ml) was added and then incubated for 4 h at 37 °C. The media containing MTT was removed, then treated with 150 μL of DMSO. The absorbance was detected by a microplate reader at 500-600 nm .

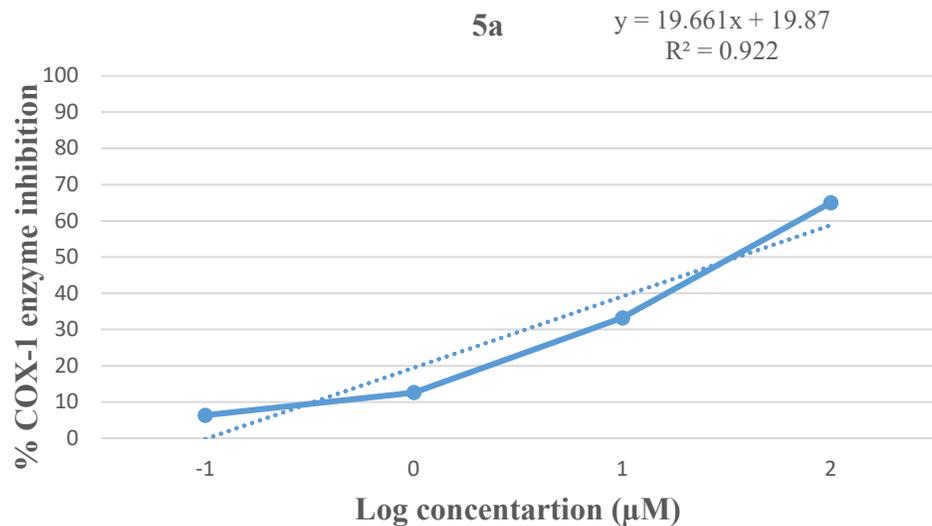
***Cytotoxicity results**

Code	IC₅₀ (μM)	SD (±)
5a	246	13
5b	61.6	3.2
5c	100	5.2
5d	158	8.2
5e	265	14
5f	328	17
6a	311	16
6b	138	7.2
6c	97.5	5.1
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6e	265	14
6f	169	8.8
Celecoxib	201	10

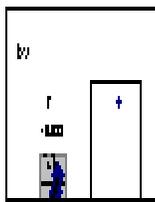
1.1.2 *In vitro* COX-1 and COX-2 inhibitory assay

In this assay, celecoxib and indomethacin were used as reference medications to investigate the ability of the new compounds to suppress human COX-1 and COX-2 using ten folds serial dilutions (1, 0.1, 0.01, 0.001 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$) (**Table 1**). This was achieved using human COX-1 and COX-2 inhibitor screening kit supplied by Cayman chemicals (catalog numbers 701,070 and 701080, respectively, Ann Arbor, MI, USA). Dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO) was used to solubilize the new derivatives. Briefly, a mixture containing COX-1 or COX-2 enzyme (10 μL), heme (10 μL) and DMSO solutions of tested compounds samples (20 μL) was added to the supplied reaction buffer solution [160 μL , 0.1 M Tris–HCl, pH 8 containing 5 mM ethylenediamine tetra acetate (EDTA) and 2 mM phenol] then incubated for 10 min at 37 °C. Meanwhile, arachidonic acid was added (10 μL). To initiate the reaction, the final reaction mixture concentration was 100 μM . Later, stannous chloride (30 μL) was added to stop the COX reactions, then incubated at an ambient temperature for 5 min. Thereafter, quantification of $\text{PGF}_{2\alpha}$ produced in the samples by COX reactions was carried out by adopting an enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA). The samples were transferred to a 96-well plate and then incubated at room temperature for 18 h. Any unbound reagent was removed by washing. Ellman's reagent (200 μL) was added and incubated for 60–90 min at room temperature. Finally, the plate was read by an ELISA plate reader, and the IC_{50} values for inhibition of both COX-1 and COX-2 enzymes were determined.

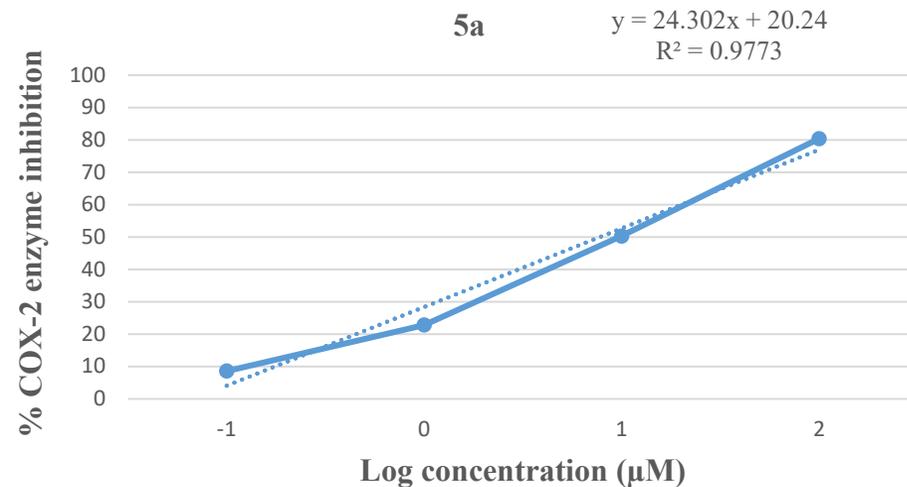
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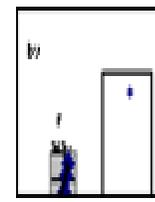
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EC				0	120



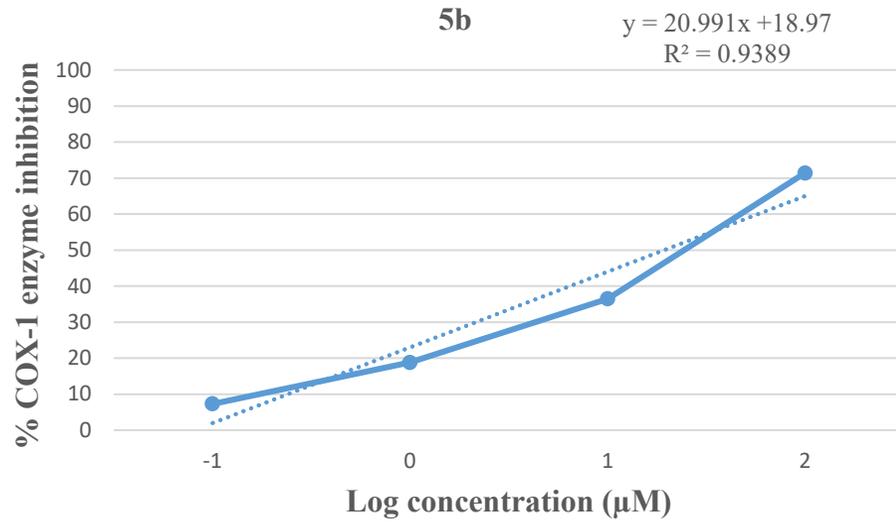
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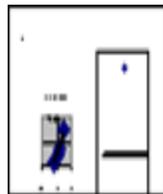
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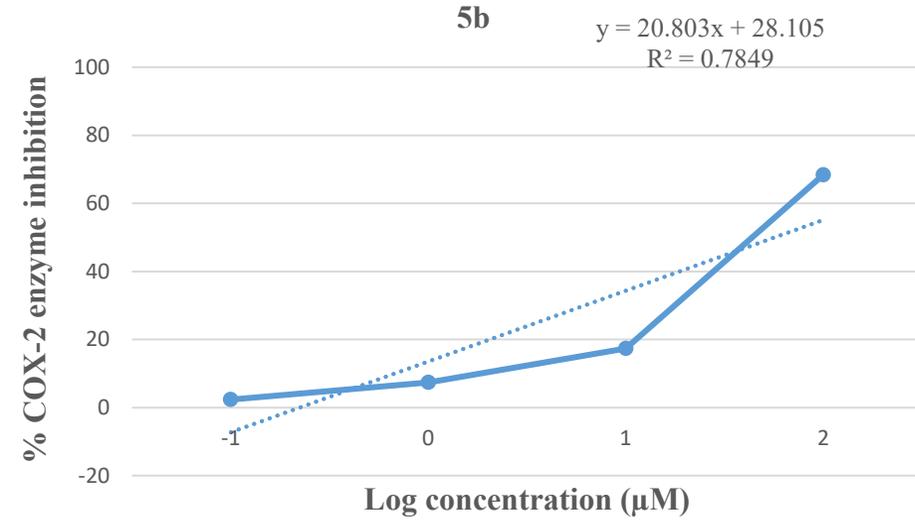
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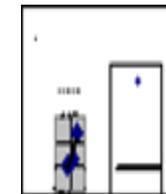
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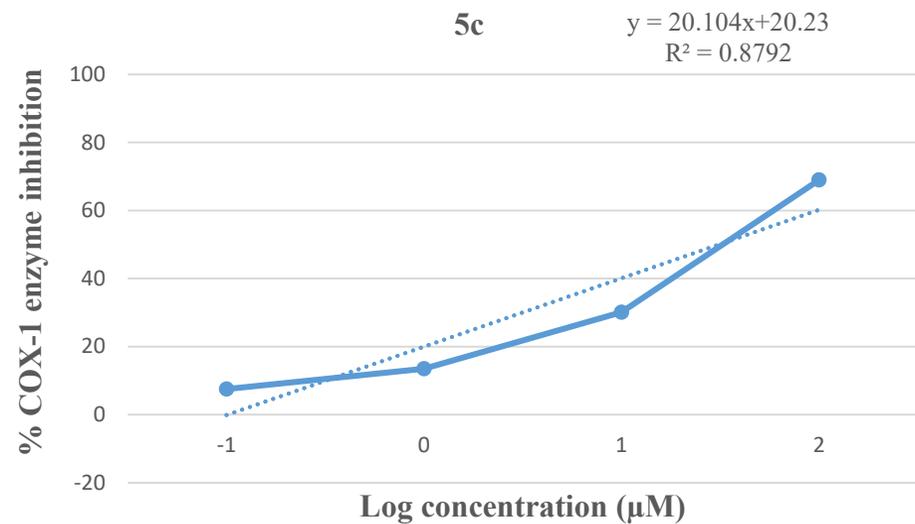
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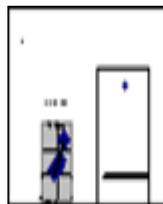
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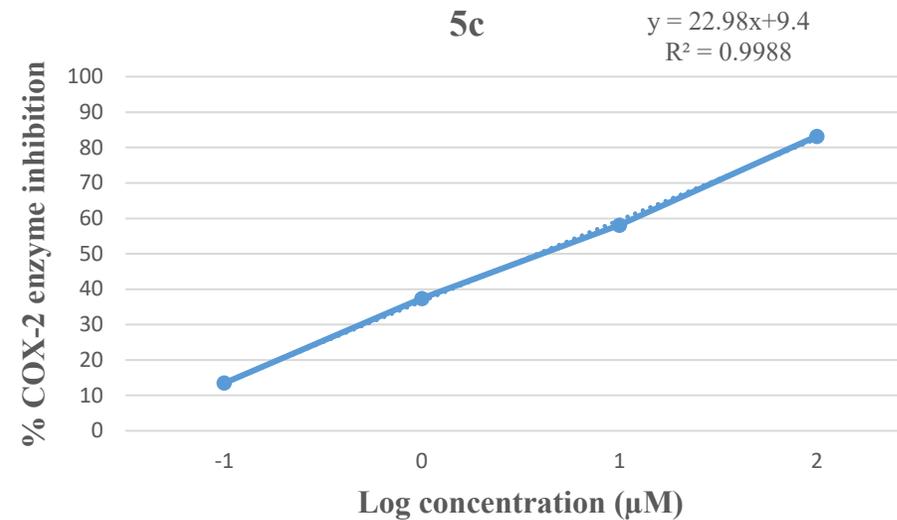
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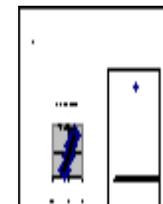
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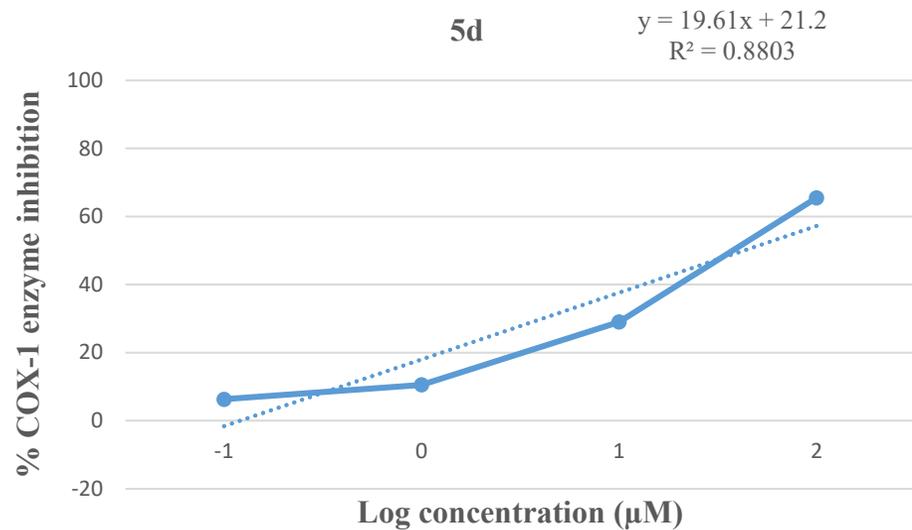
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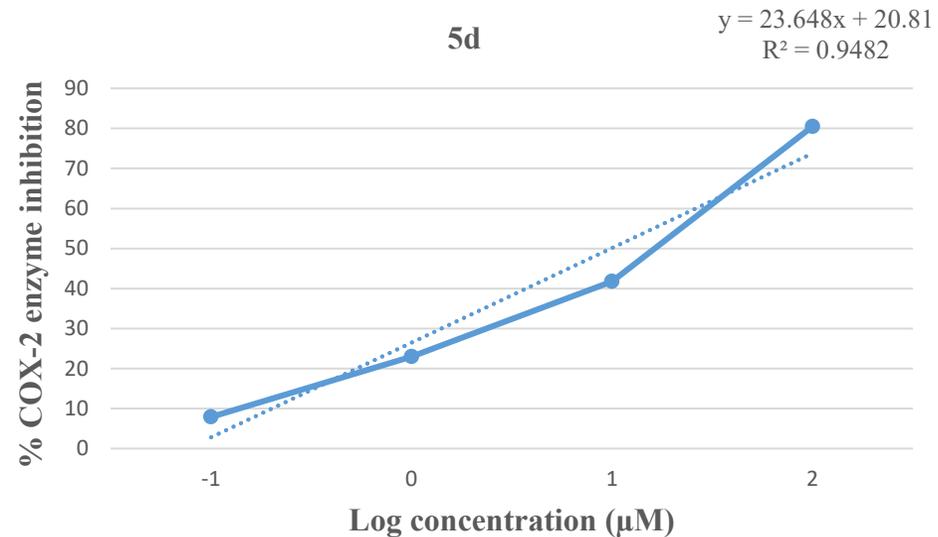
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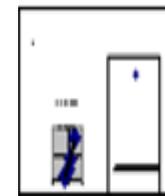
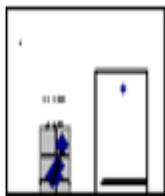


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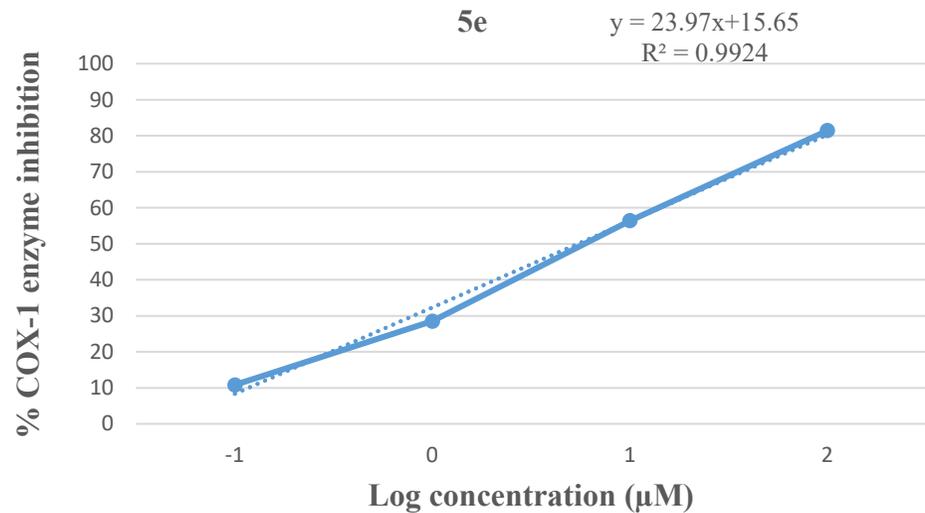


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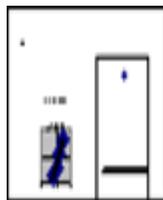
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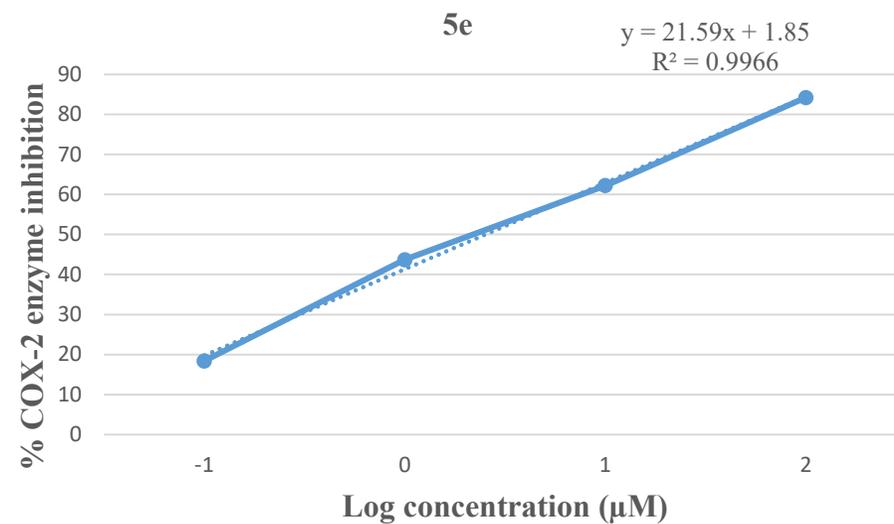
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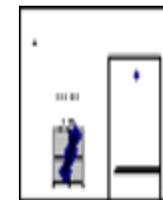
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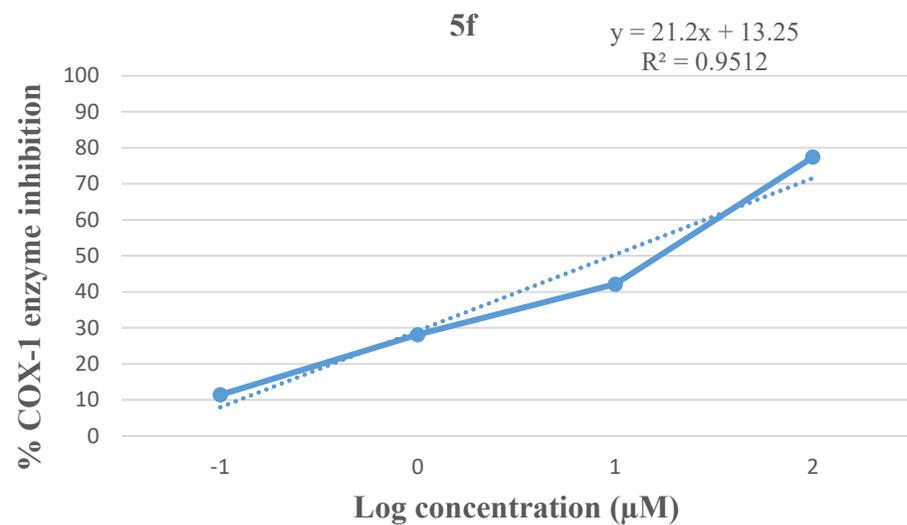
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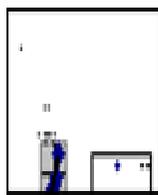
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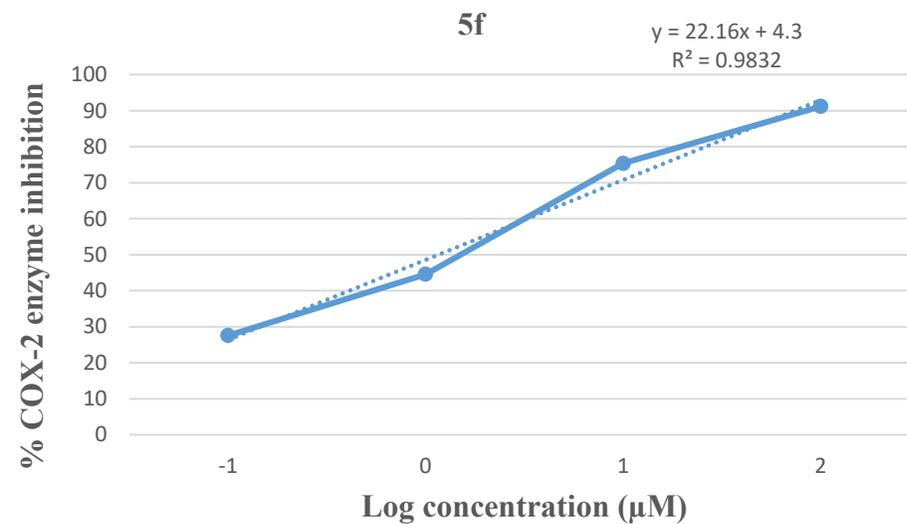
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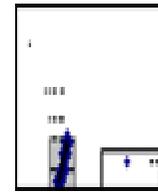
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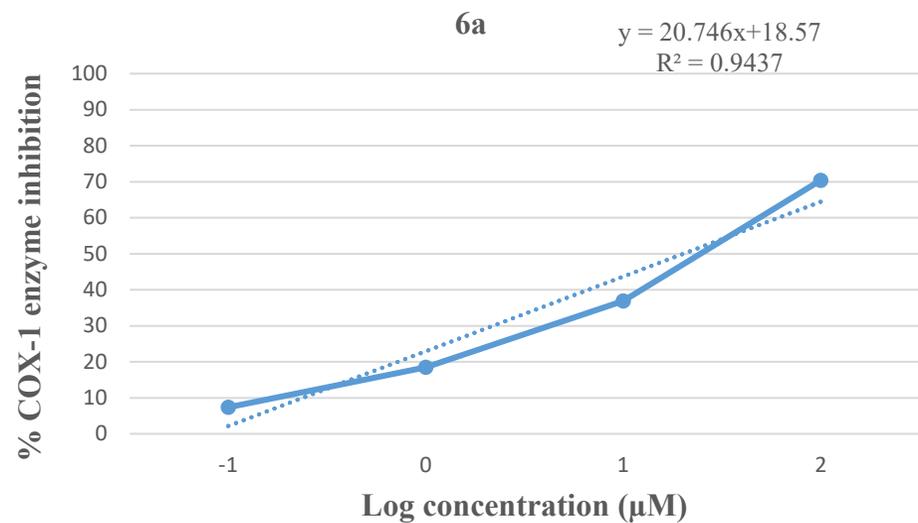
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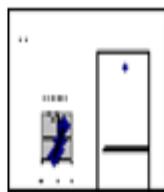
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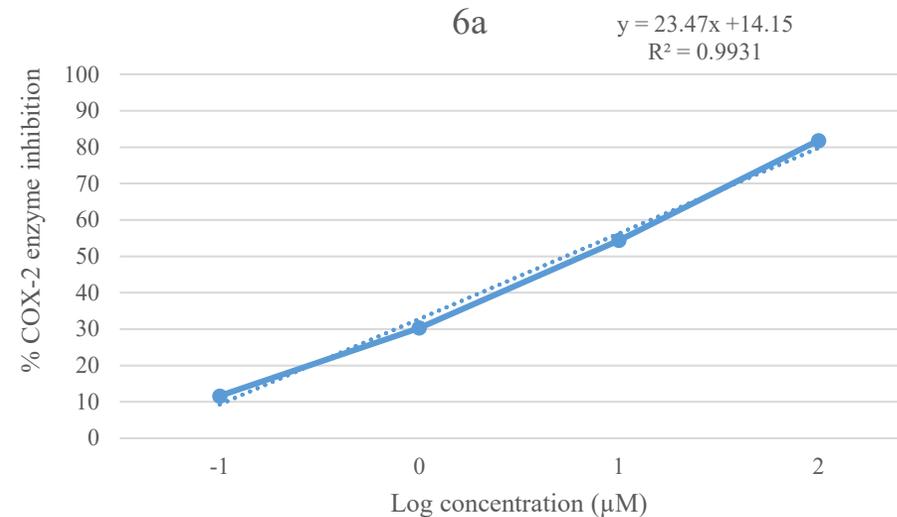
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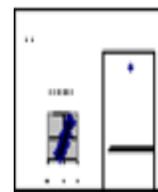
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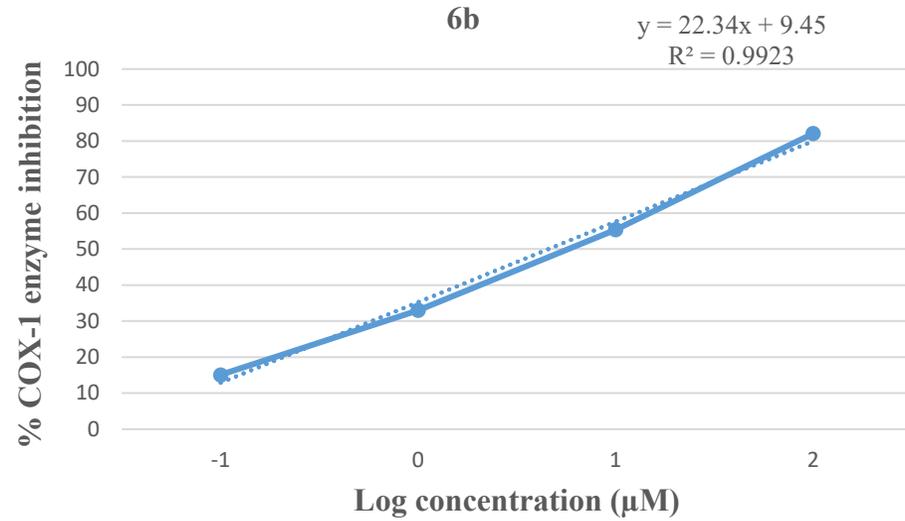
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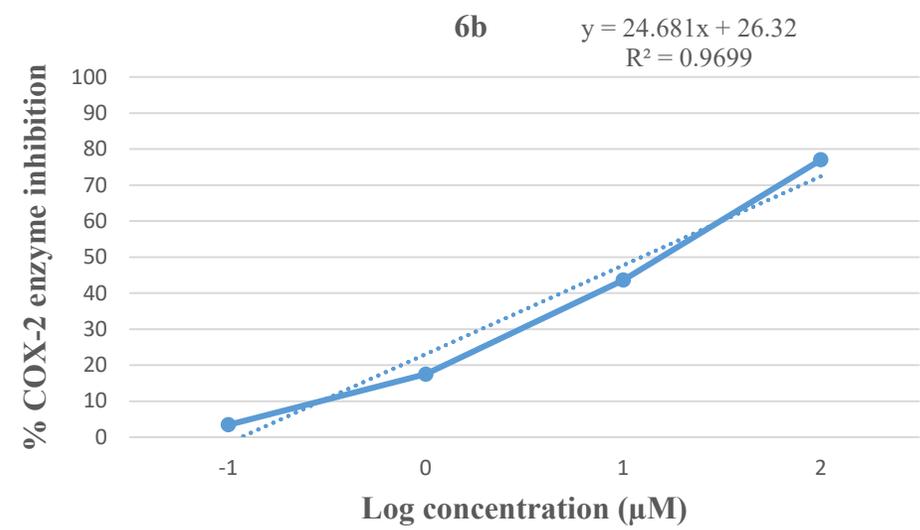
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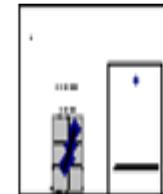
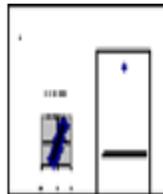


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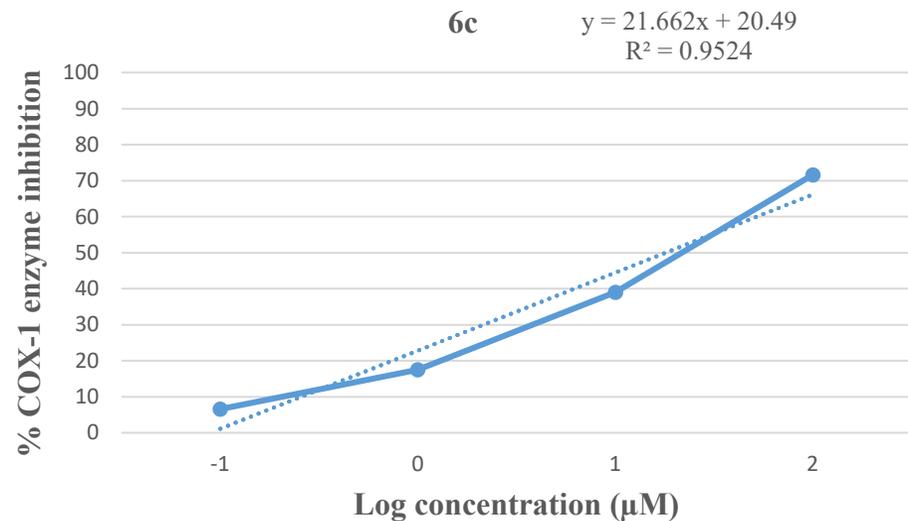


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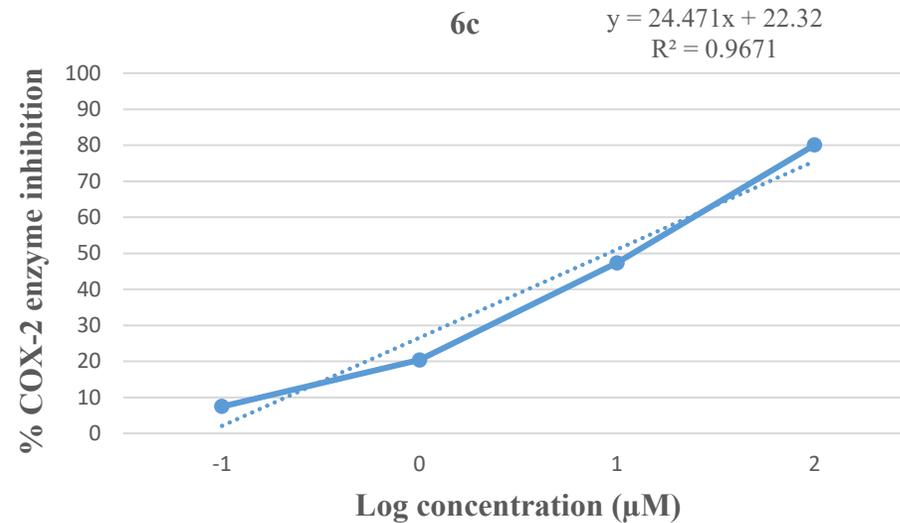
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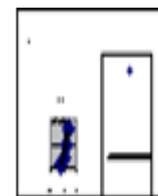
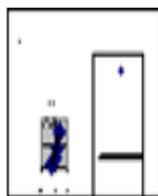


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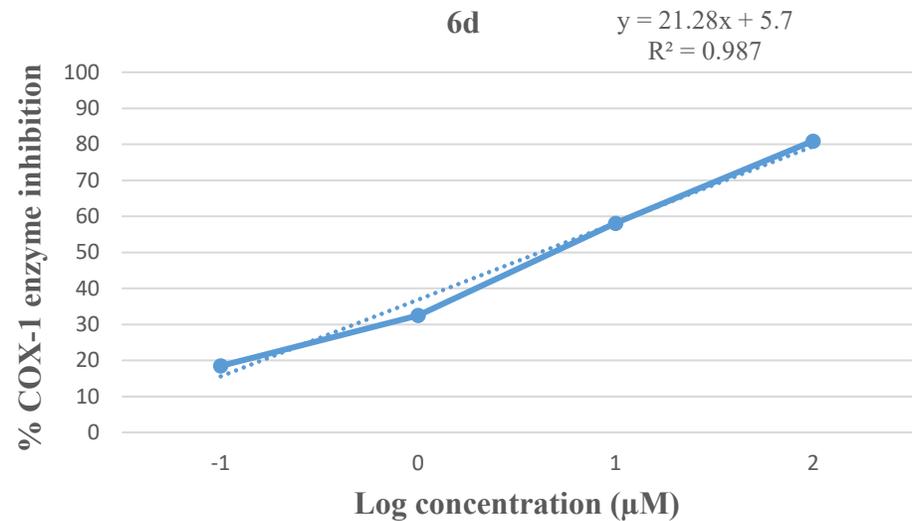


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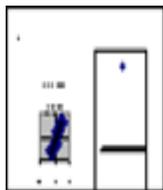
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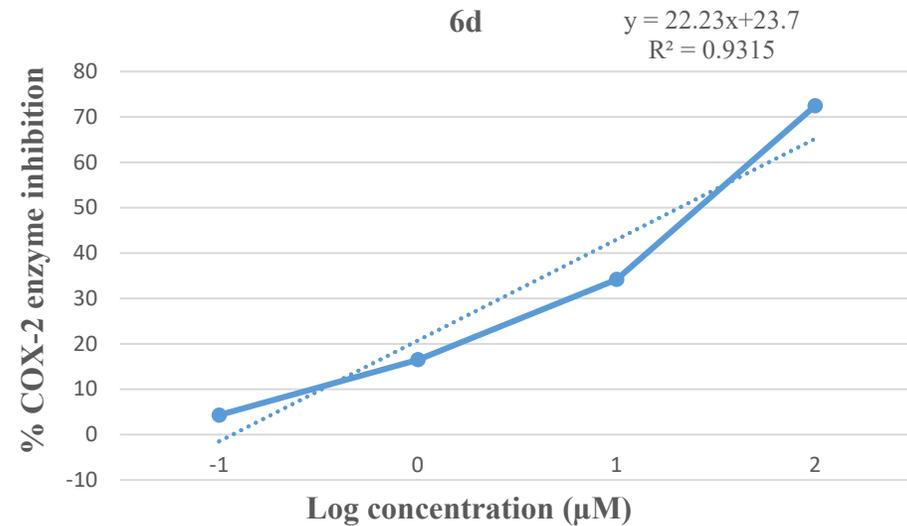
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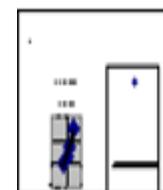
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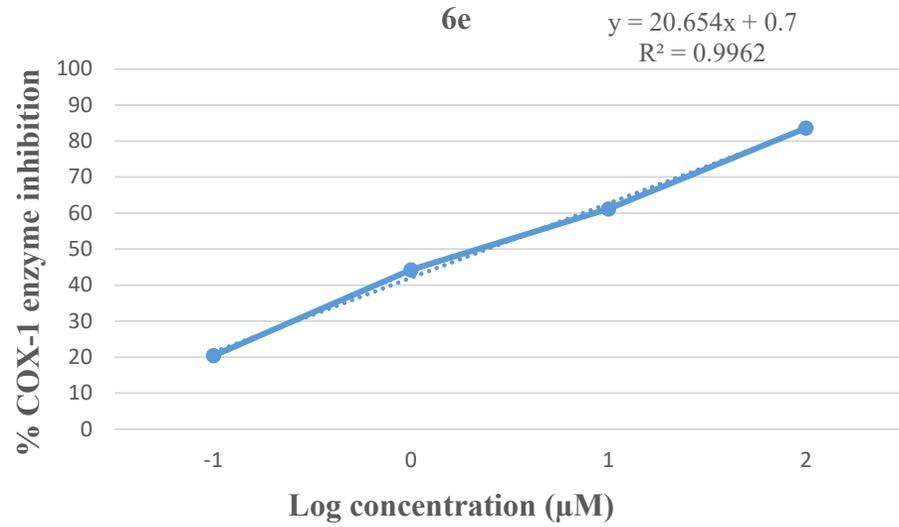
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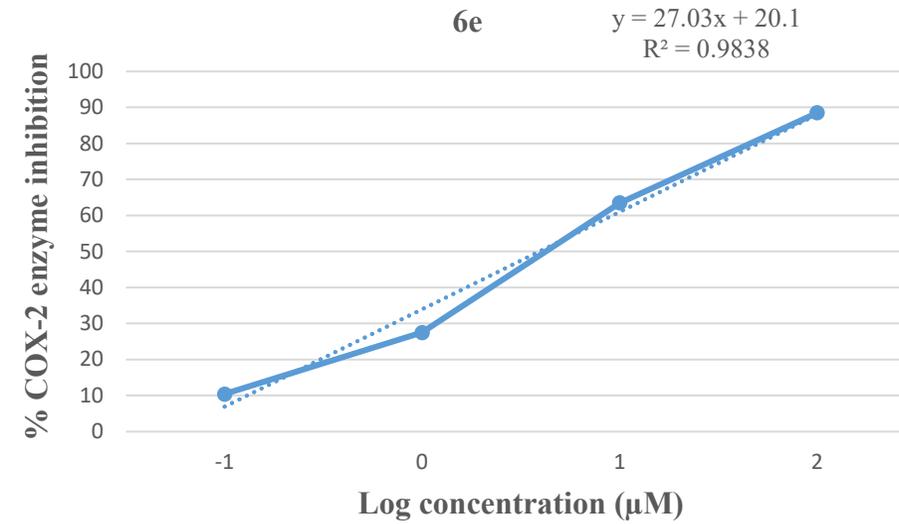
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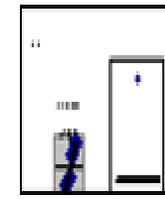
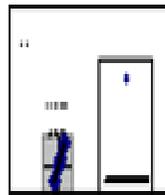


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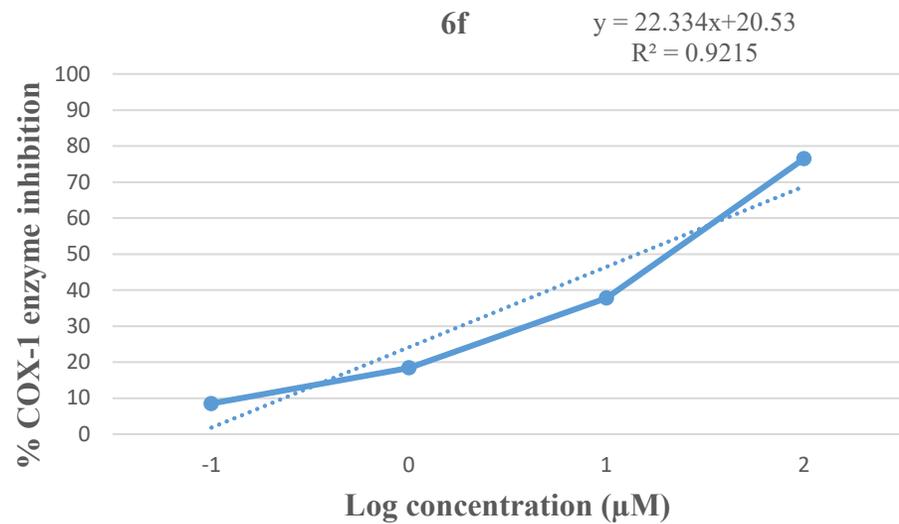


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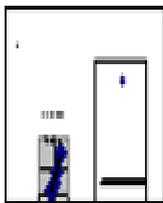
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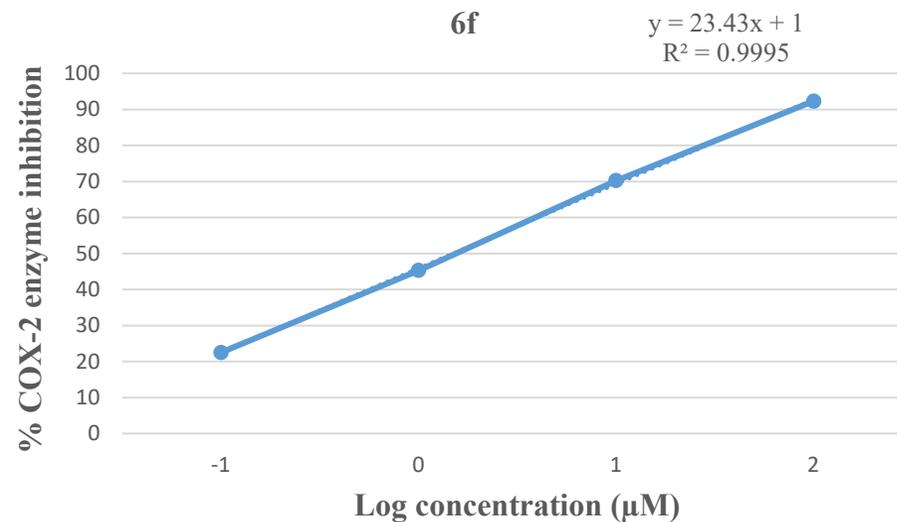
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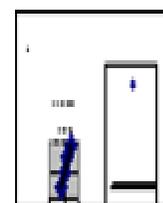
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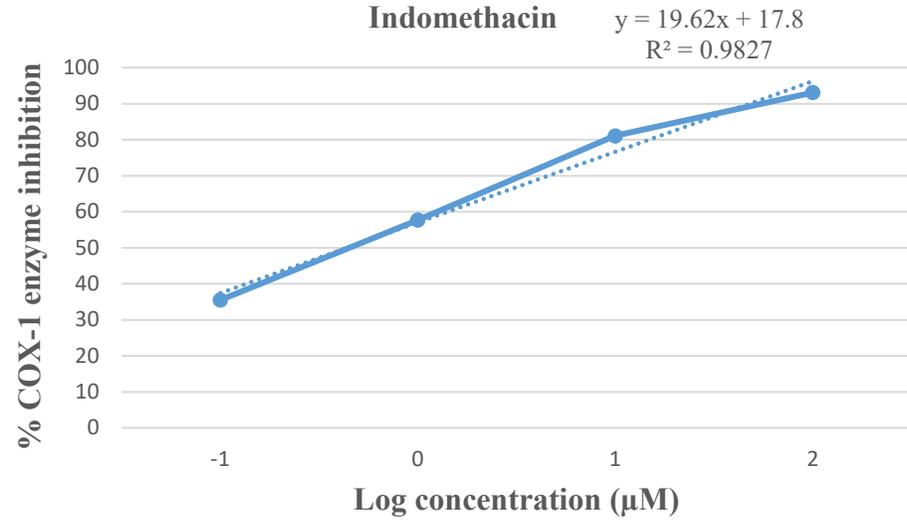
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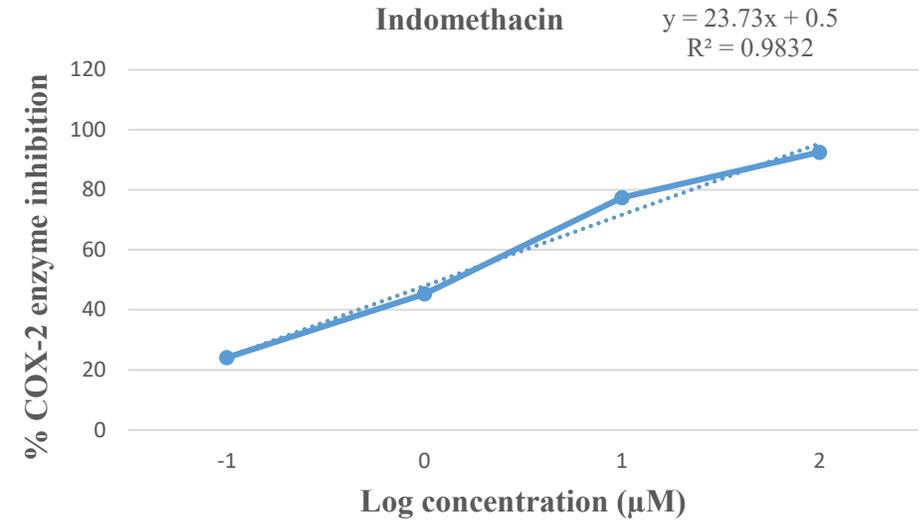
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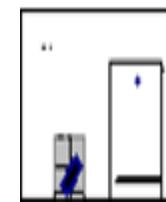
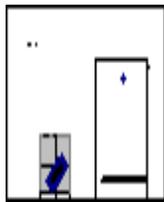


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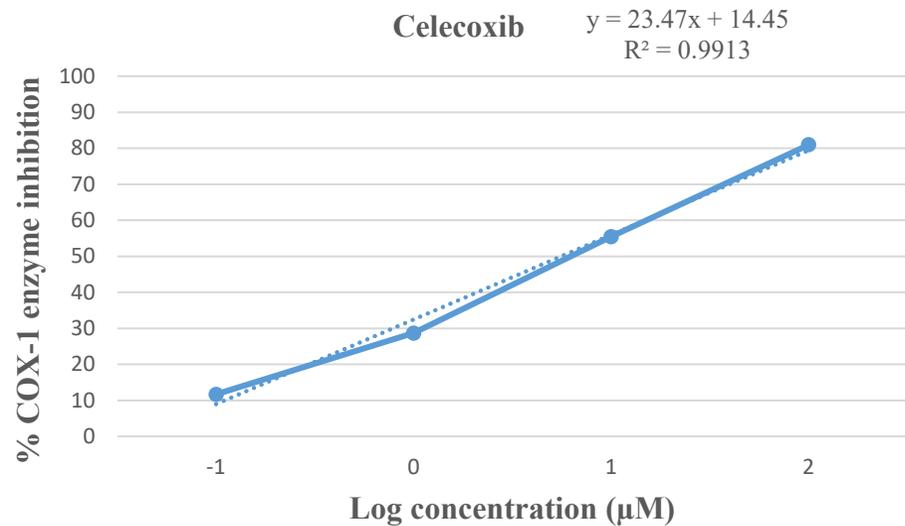


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EC				0	120

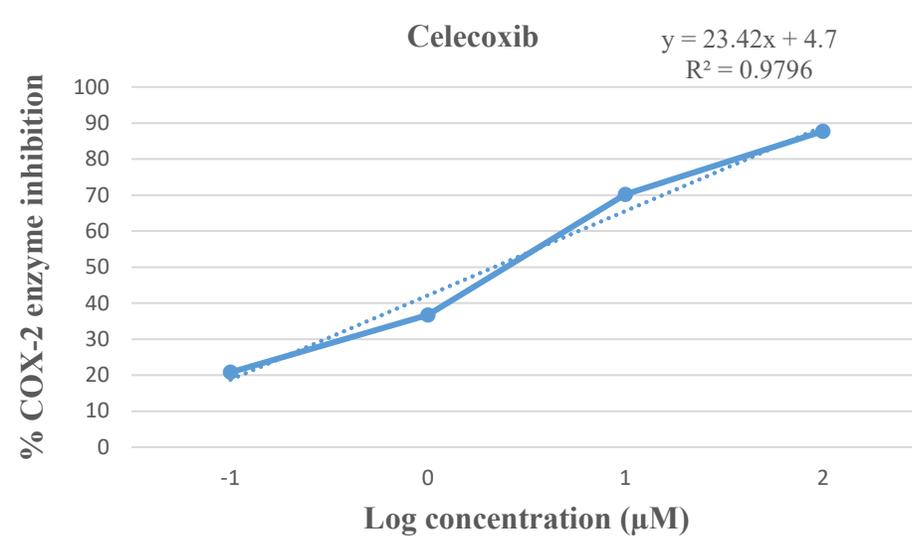
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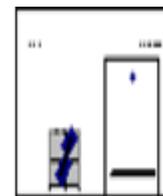
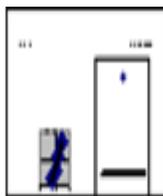


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Celecoxib	2.16	100	2	87.7	14.7975
		10	1	70.2	35.7516
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		0.1	-1	20.8	95.0255
EC				0	120



1.1.3 Inhibition of TNF- α , IL-6, and PGE-2 expression in LPS-induced RAW264.7 cell

RAW 264.7 cells were incubated in 96 well-plates (5×10^3 cells/well) in 5% CO₂ at 37 °C for 24 h. Thereafter, the cells were treated with the tested compounds (50 μ M) in the presence of LPS (1 μ g/mL). The untreated cells, acted as the blank control, whereas the negative control group (LPS group) was represented by the treated cells with LPS + DMSO (final concentration of 0.1% (v/v)). TNF- α , PGE-2, and IL-6 were quantified 24 h after treatment, utilizing specified ELISA kits.

1.1.4 Inhibition of NO expression LPS-induced RAW264.7 cells

Aiming to measure NO expression in the culture medium, RAW264.7 cells pretreated with the test compounds for 2 h were treated with LPS (1 μ g/mL) for 24 h. To the culture medium (100 L), Griess reagent (100 L) (Sigma-Aldrich, St. Louis, MO, USA) was added, then incubated at room temperature for 10 min. ELISA reader at 540 nm was used to measure the optical density (OD) as an indicator of NO.

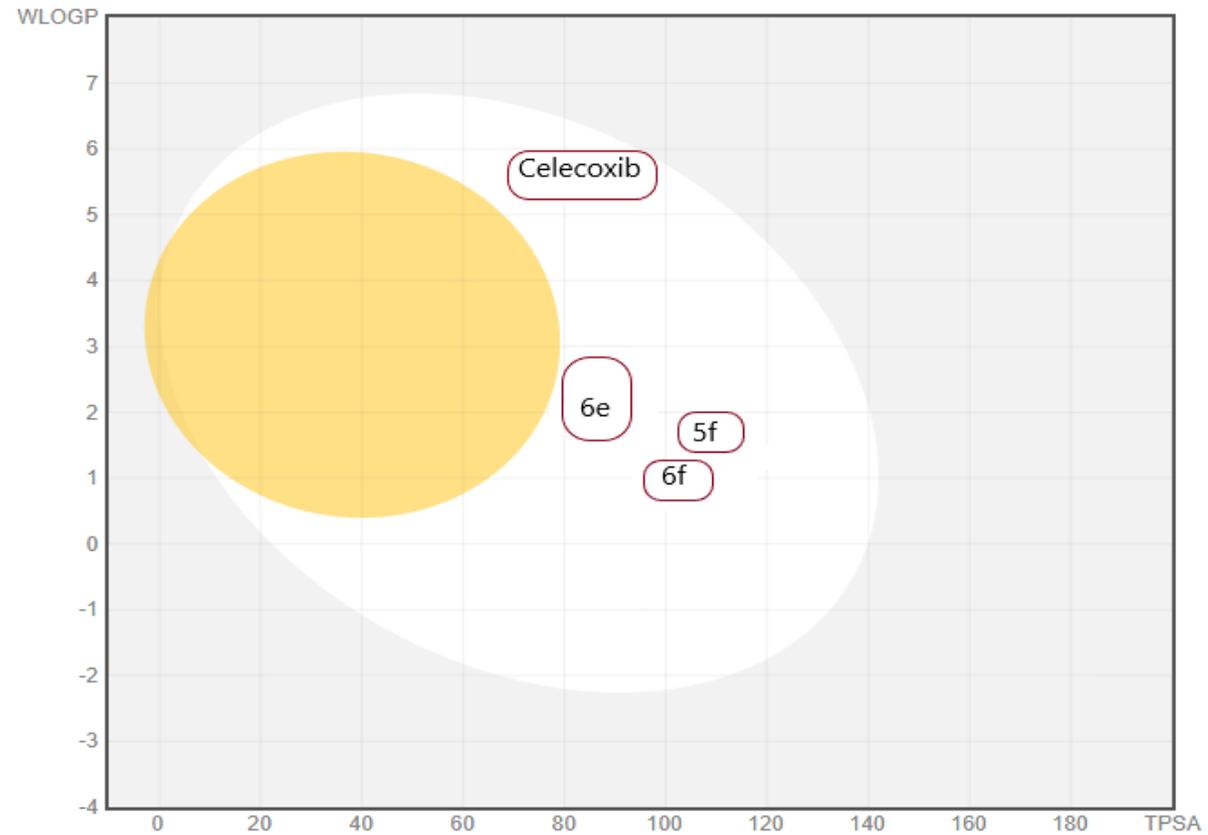
1.2 Molecular docking of compounds 5f, 6e and 6f in the active site of COX-2

Molecular Operating Environment (MOE Version 2015.10) software was used to study the molecular modeling for the new active compounds **5f**, **6e** and **6f**. The COX-2 enzyme X-ray crystal structure (PDB entry 3LN1) was downloaded from the RCSB protein data bank website (<http://www.rcsb.org>). Aiming to prepare protein structure, the repeating chains and water molecules were removed from the enzyme active site. Protonate 3D process was applied to add hydrogen atoms to the atoms of the receptor. The determined pocket was isolated, and the partial charges were calculated. Hiding backbone was performed to give a final prepared protein. Before performing the docking, the tested compounds and celecoxib were prepared automatically by certain steps including 3D protonation, calculating partial charges and minimizing energy with Merck Molecular force field.

Ligands were outlined using ChemDraw office (ChemDraw office version 12.0.2) and saved as mol extension, then prepared by protonation and energy minimization.

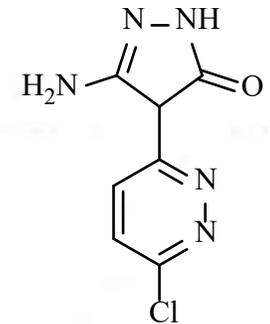
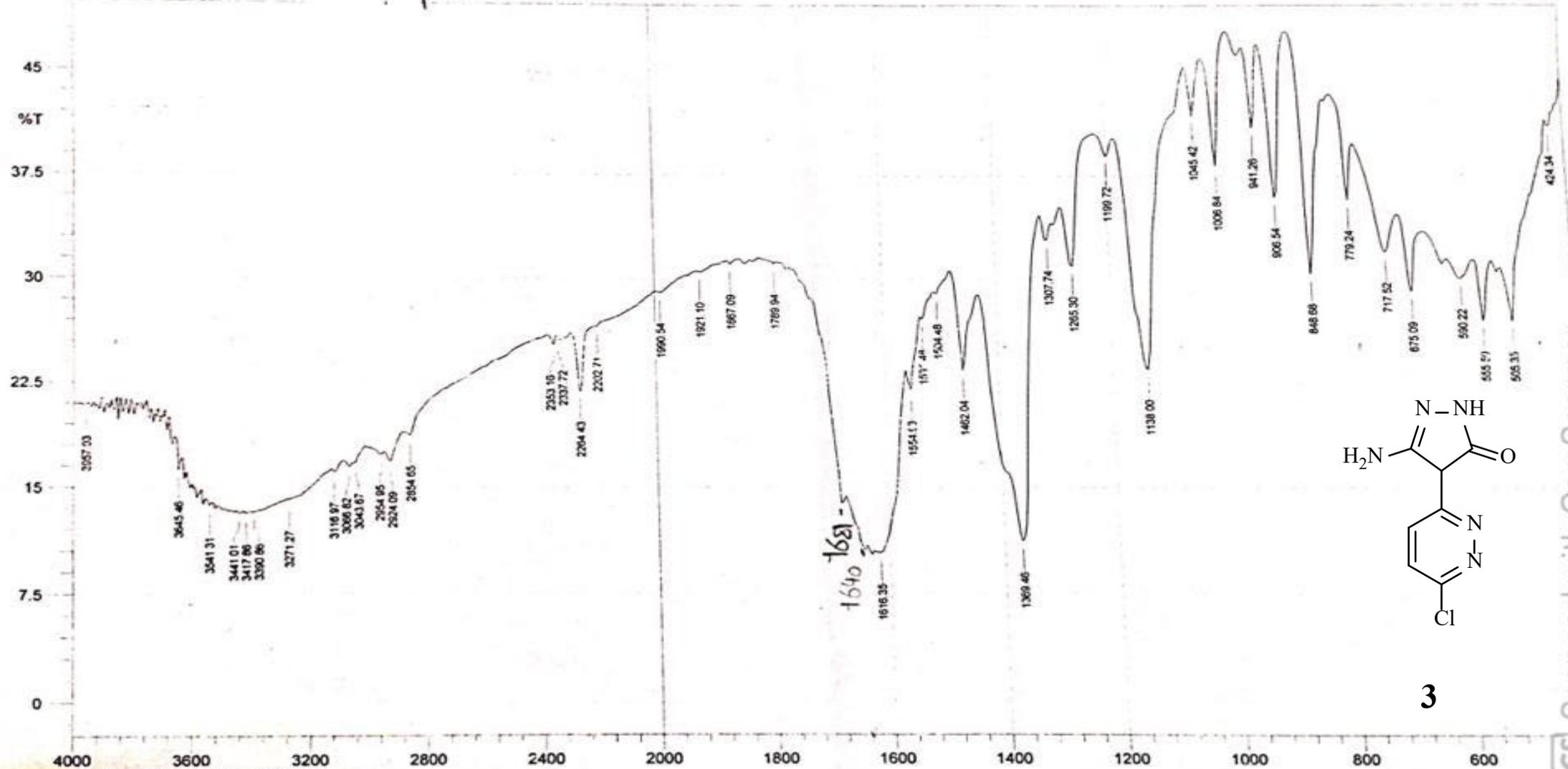
2.7. Physicochemical, ADME, and pharmacokinetic properties in *silico* prediction

The BOILED-Egg graphical representation of the WLOGP vs. topological polar surface area for the tested compounds



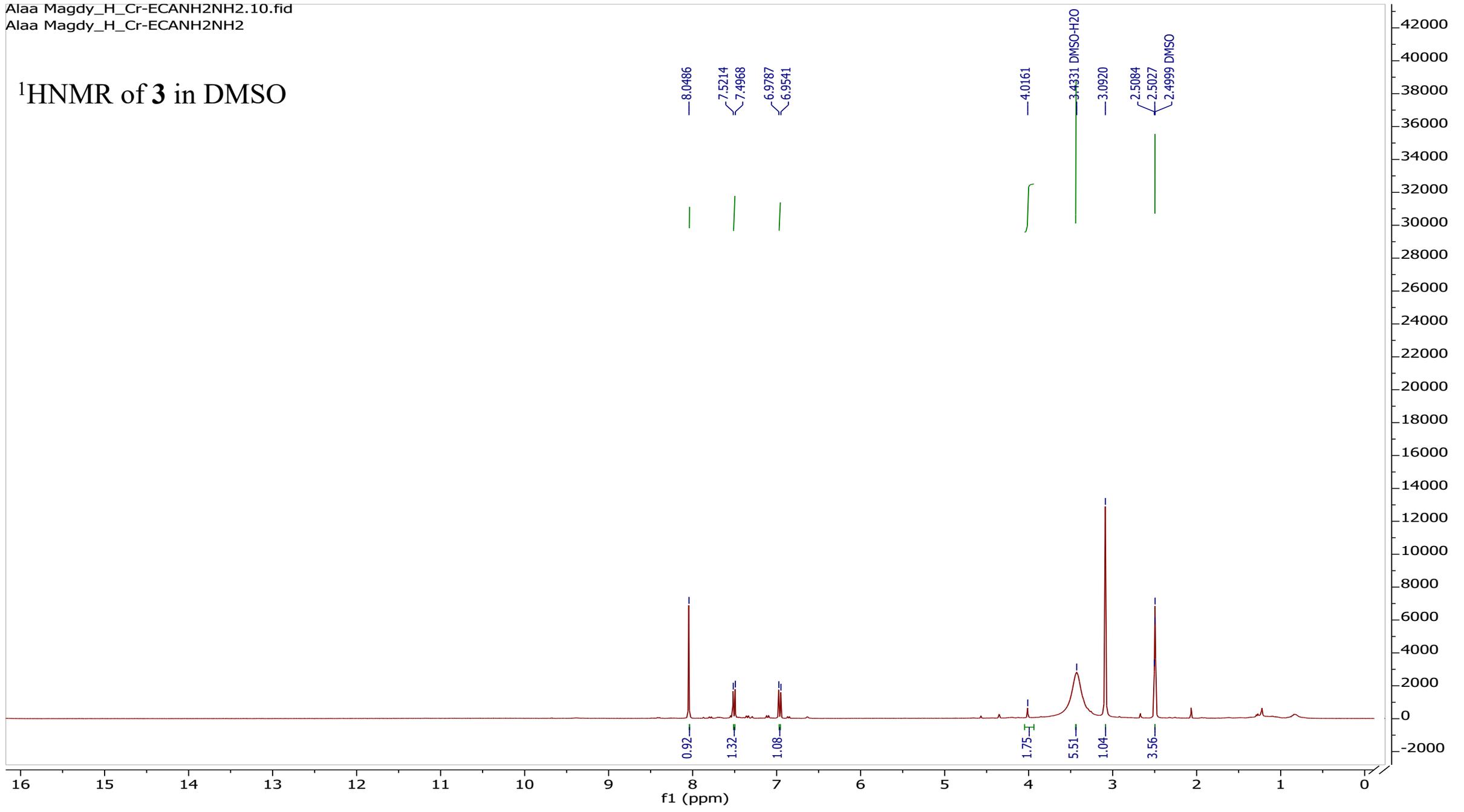
3. IR, ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra of the new derivatives.

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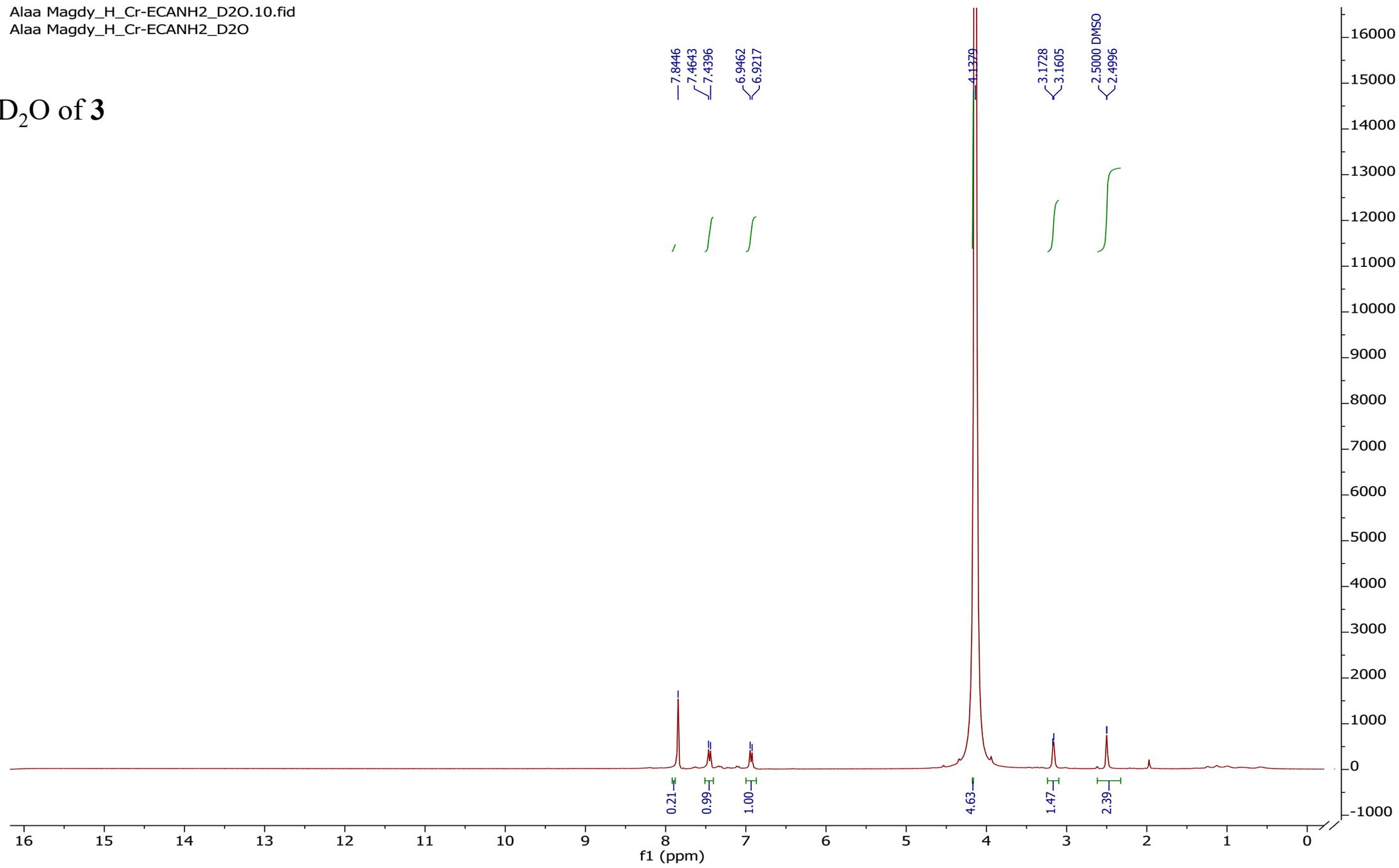


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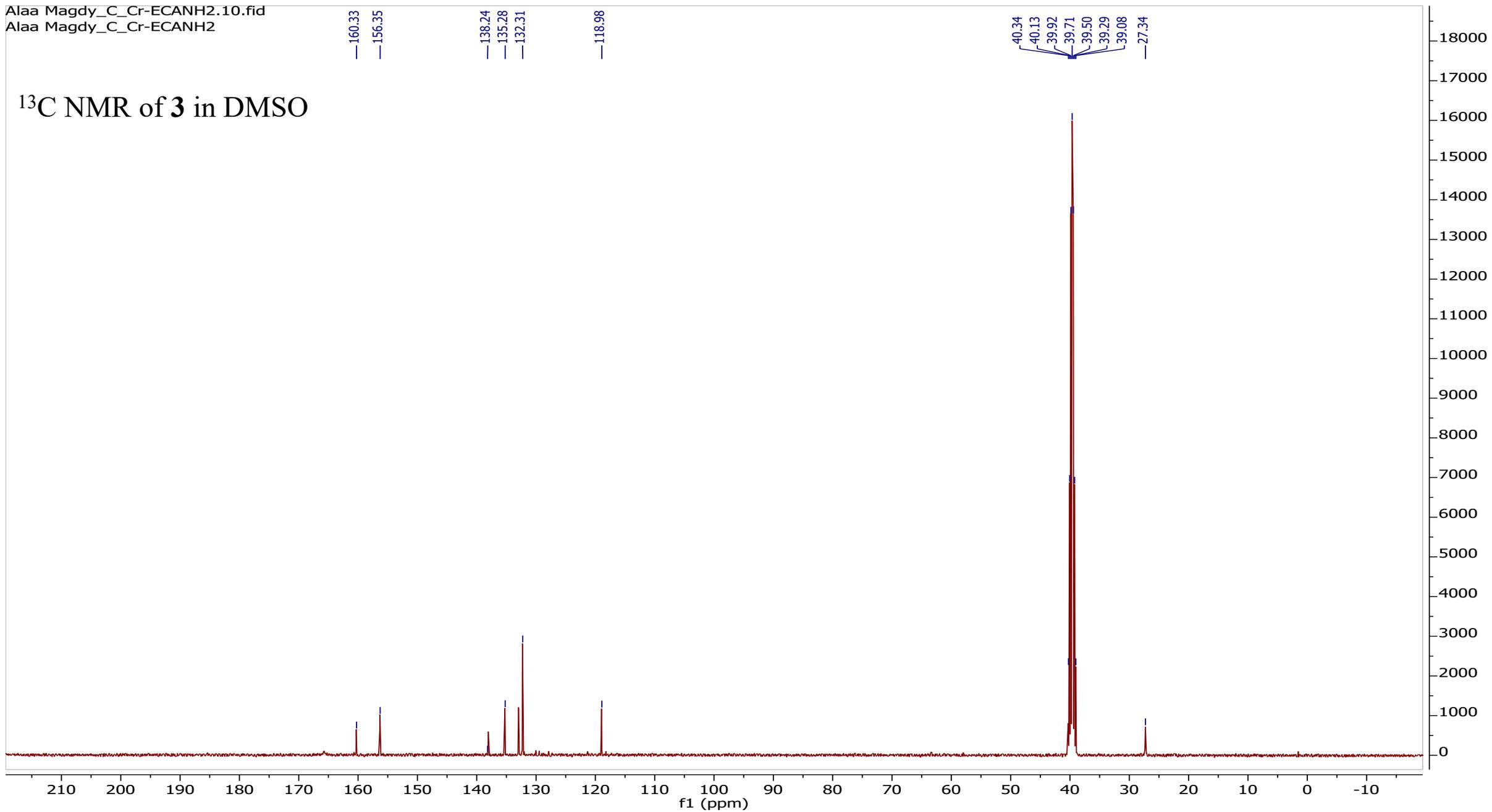
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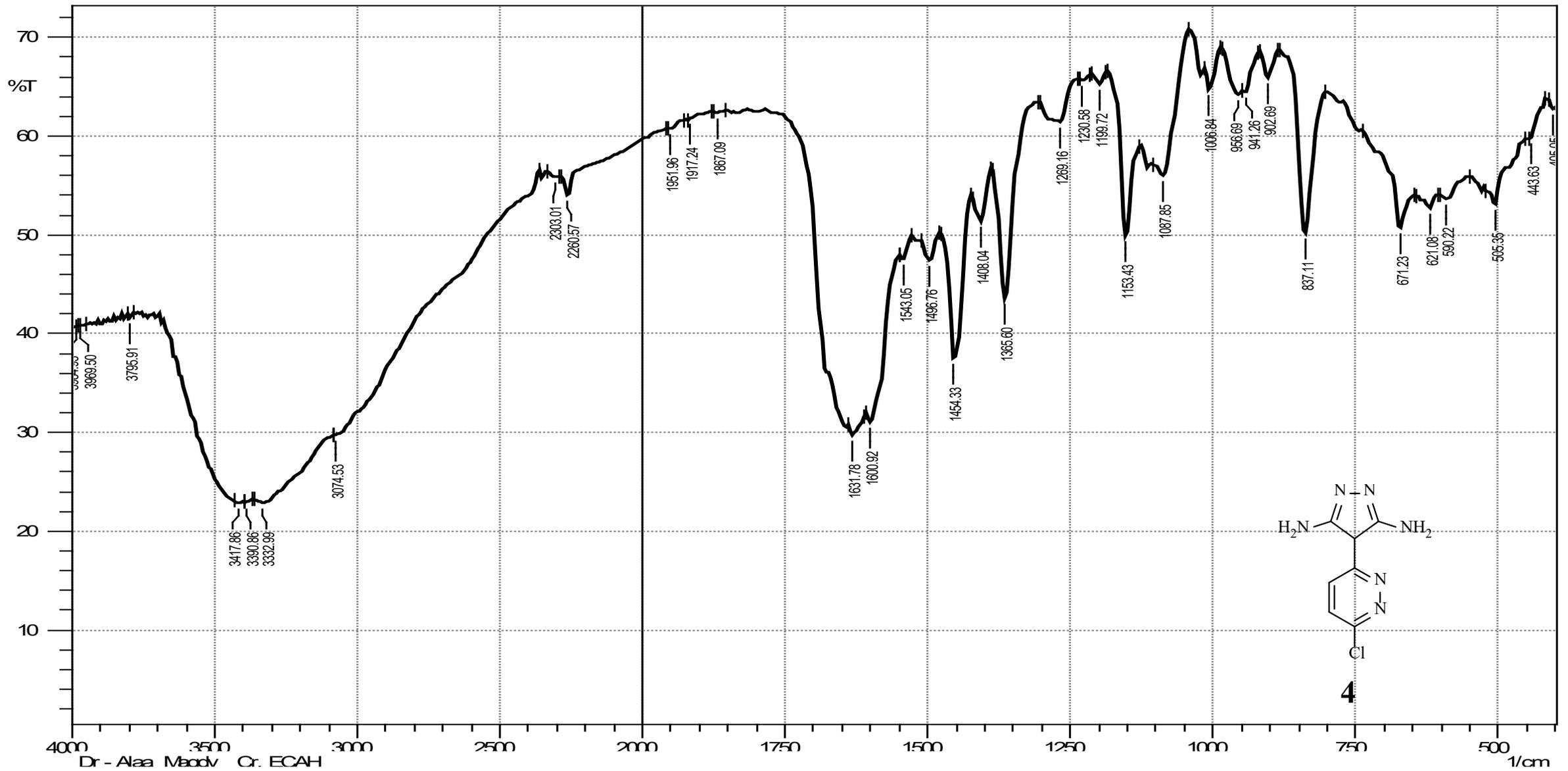
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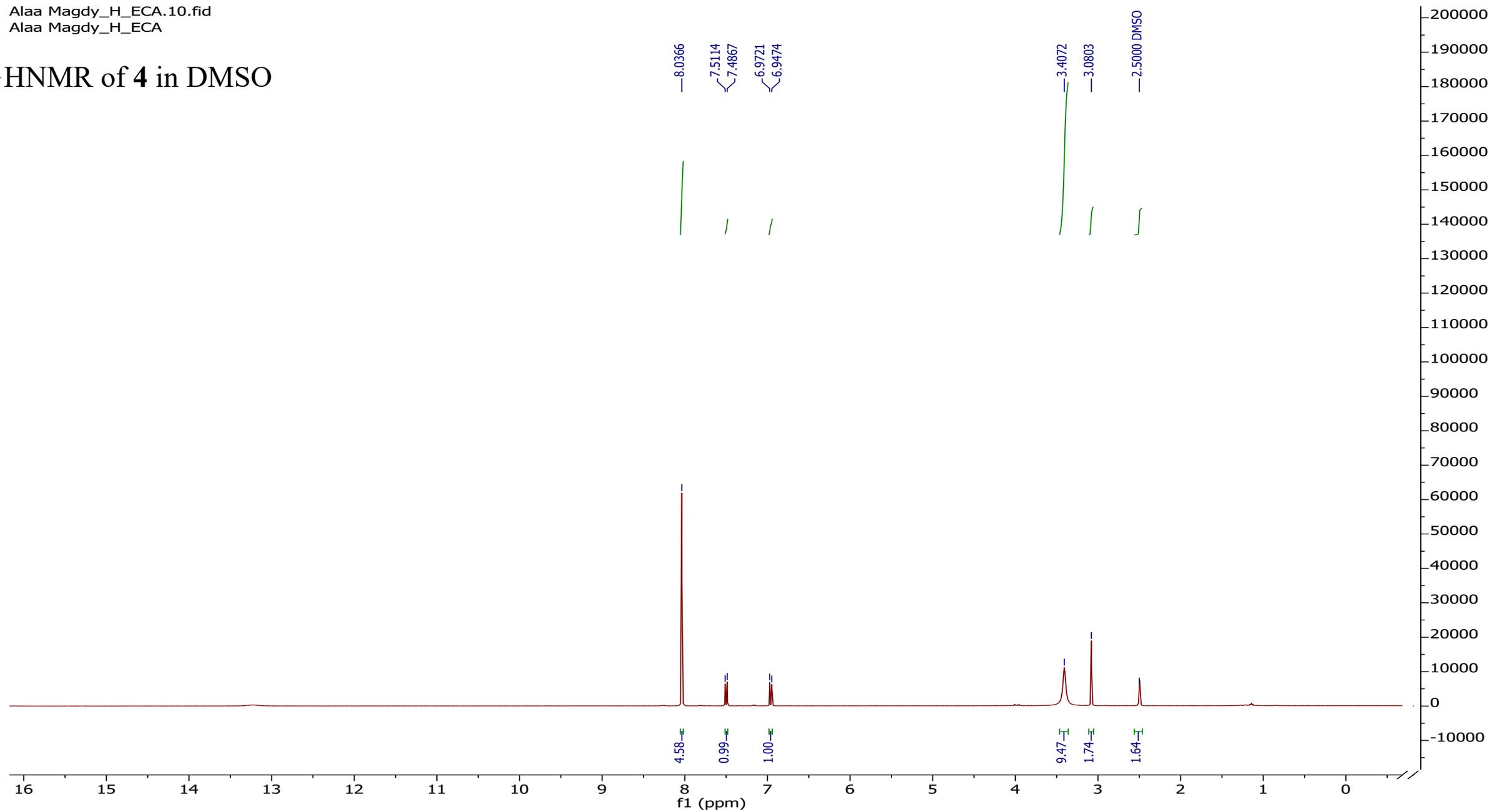


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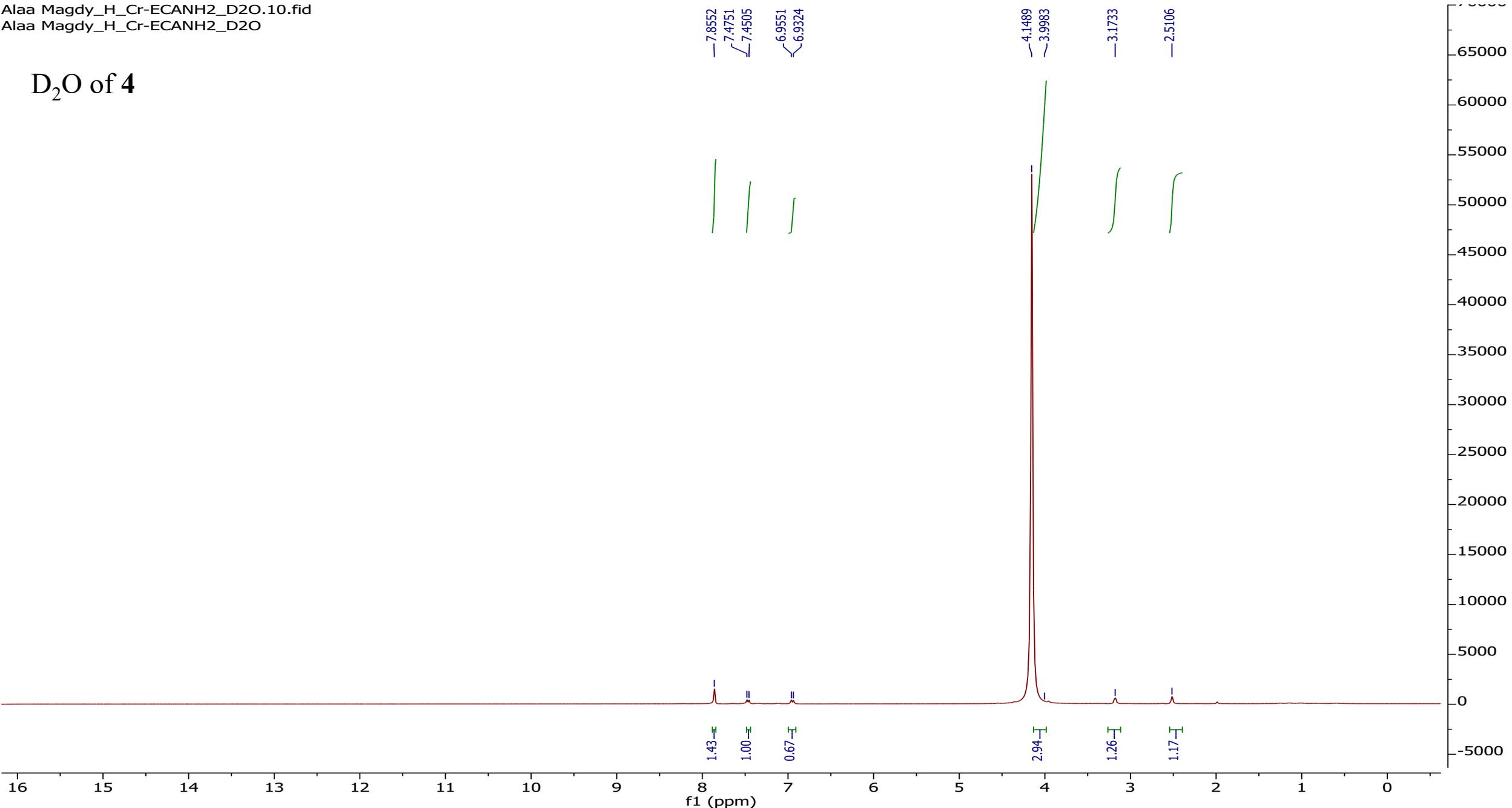
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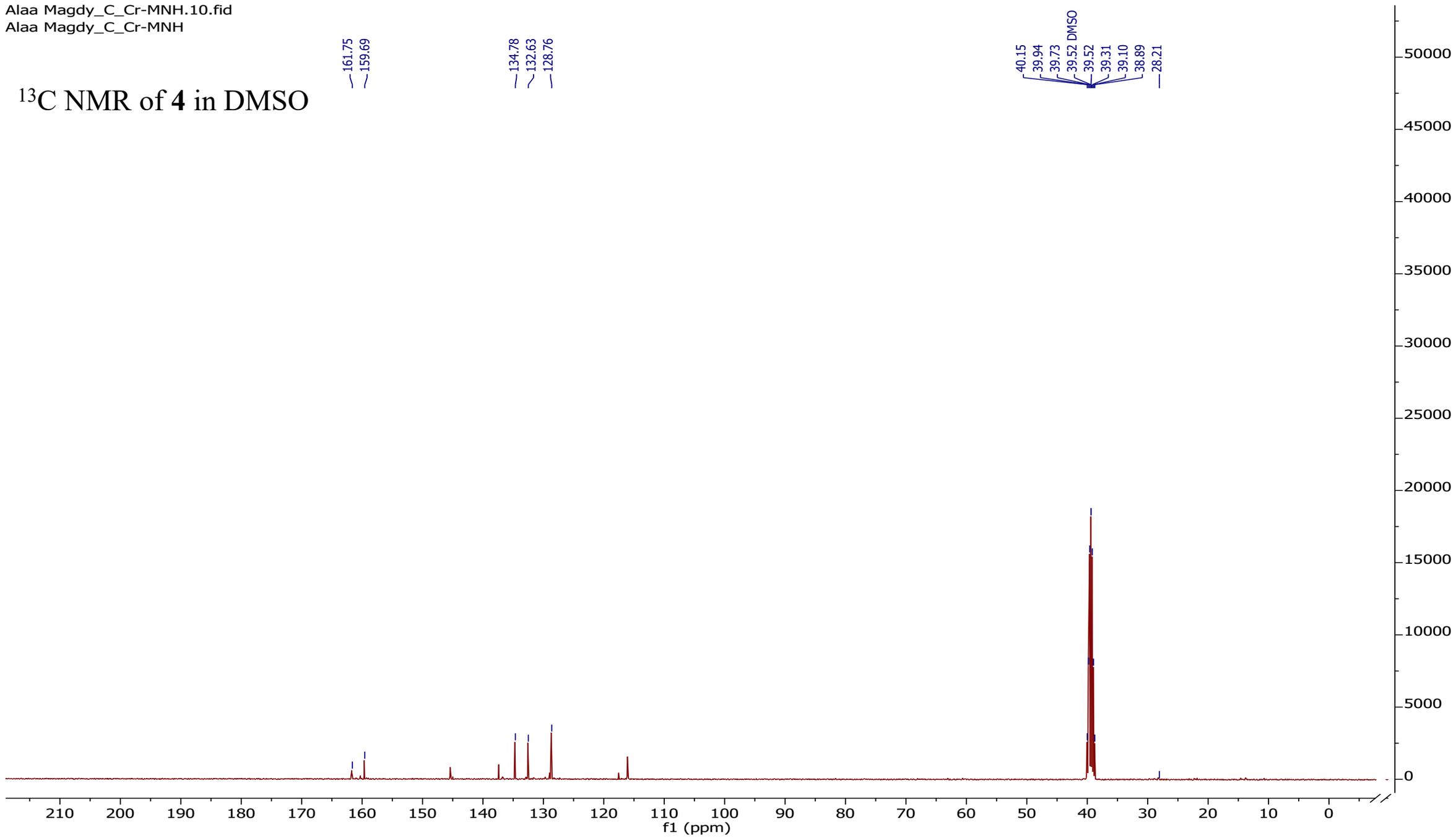


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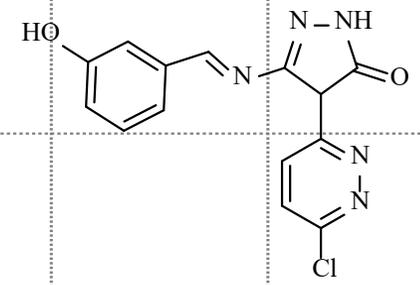
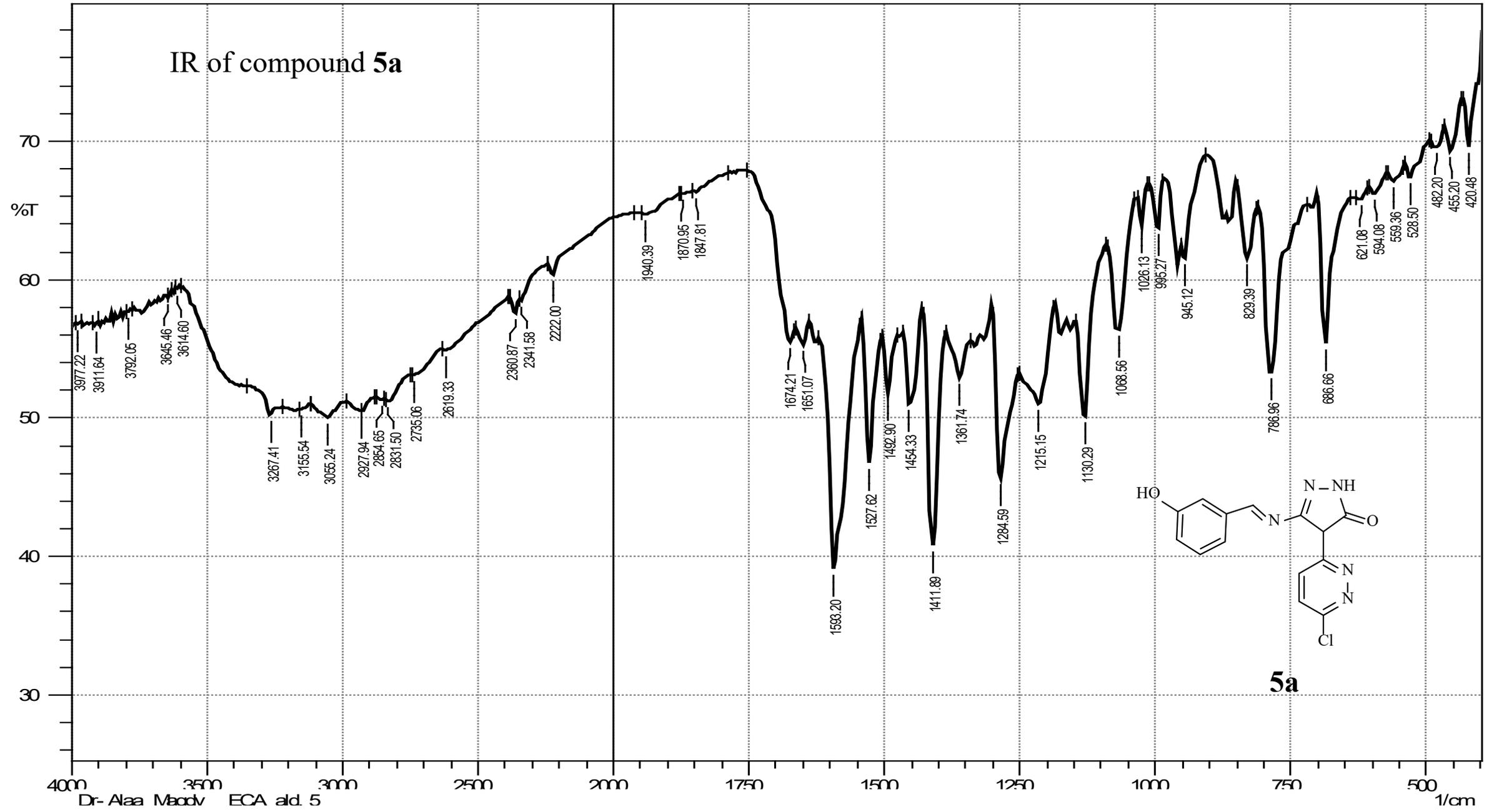
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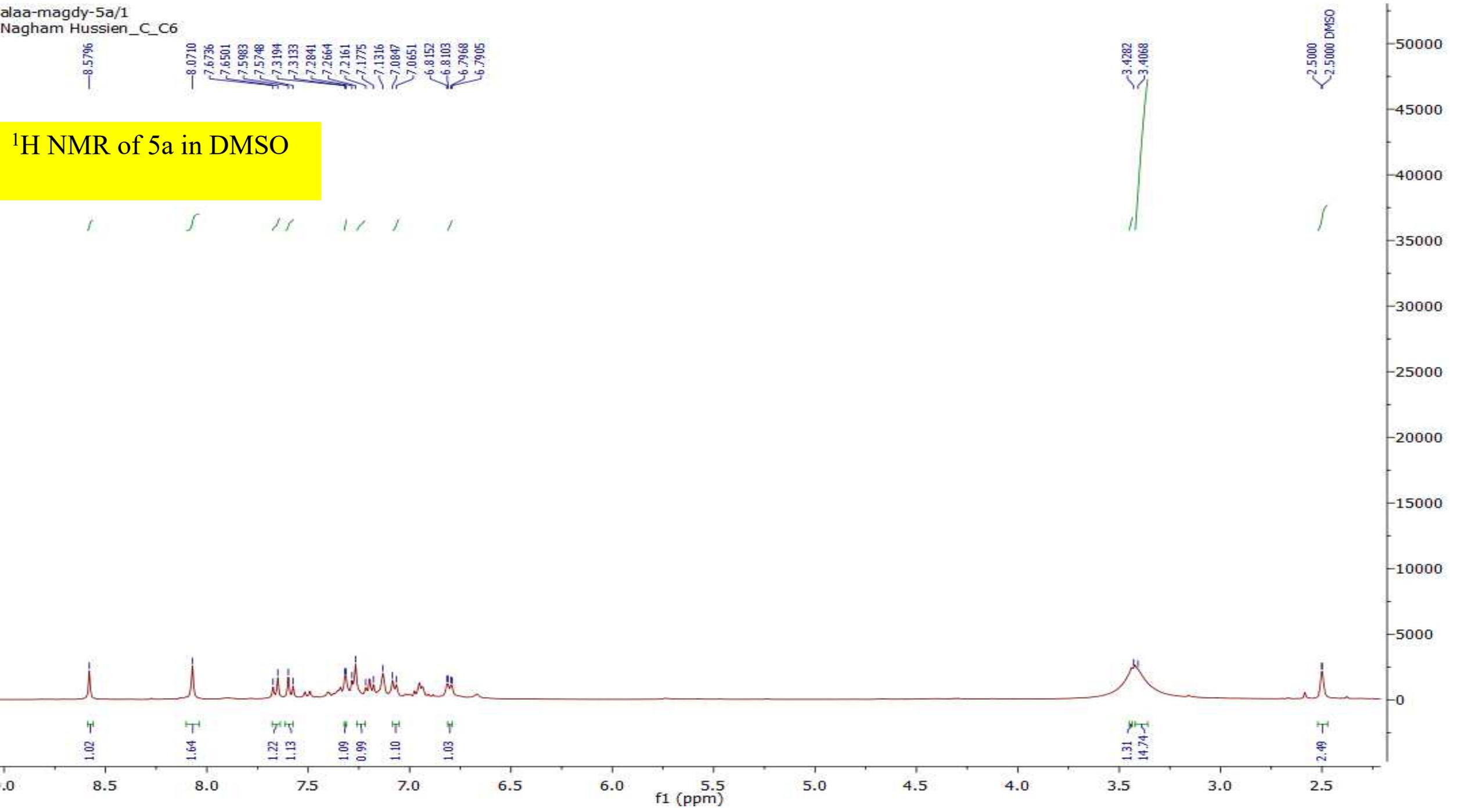
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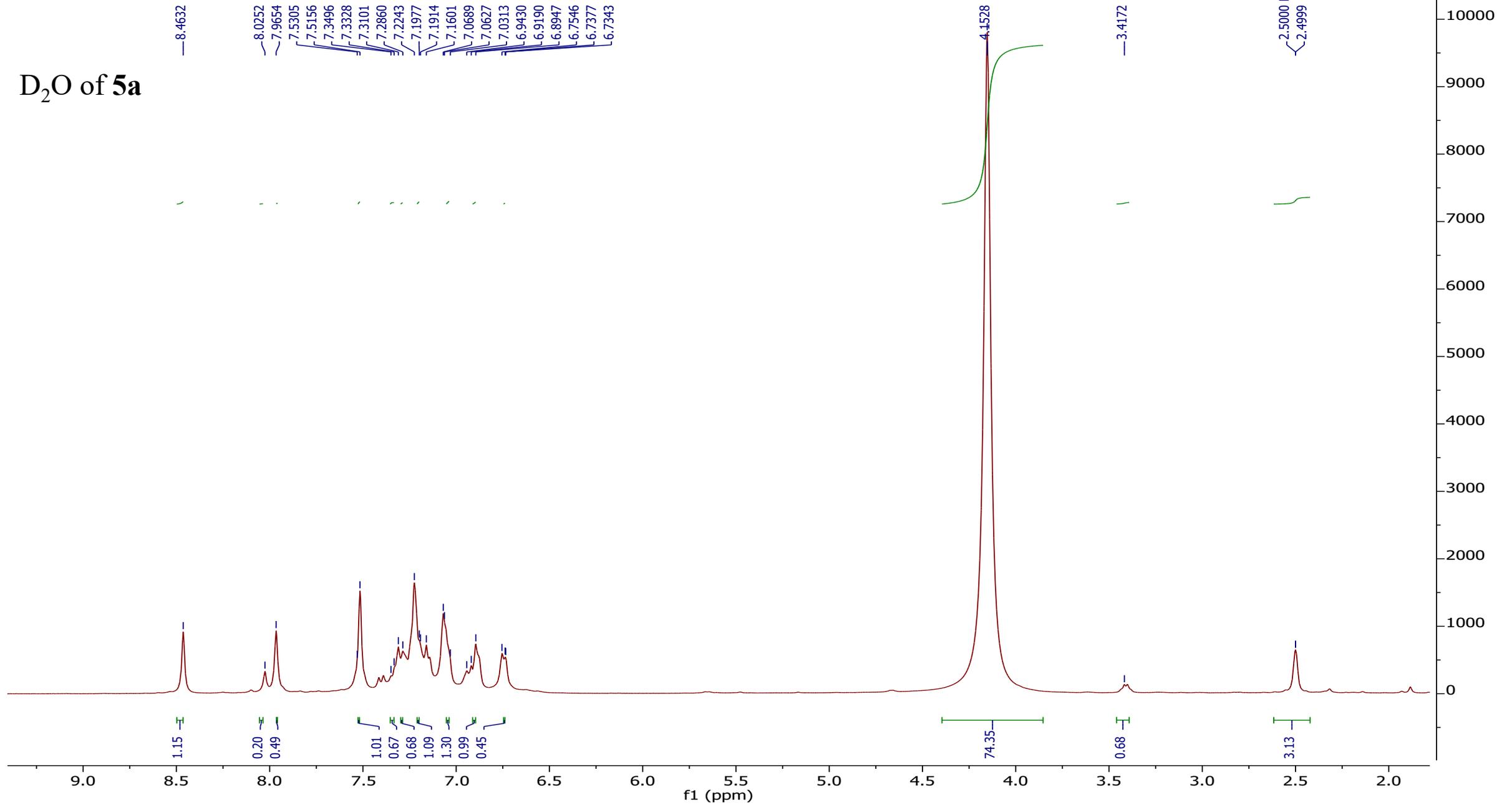
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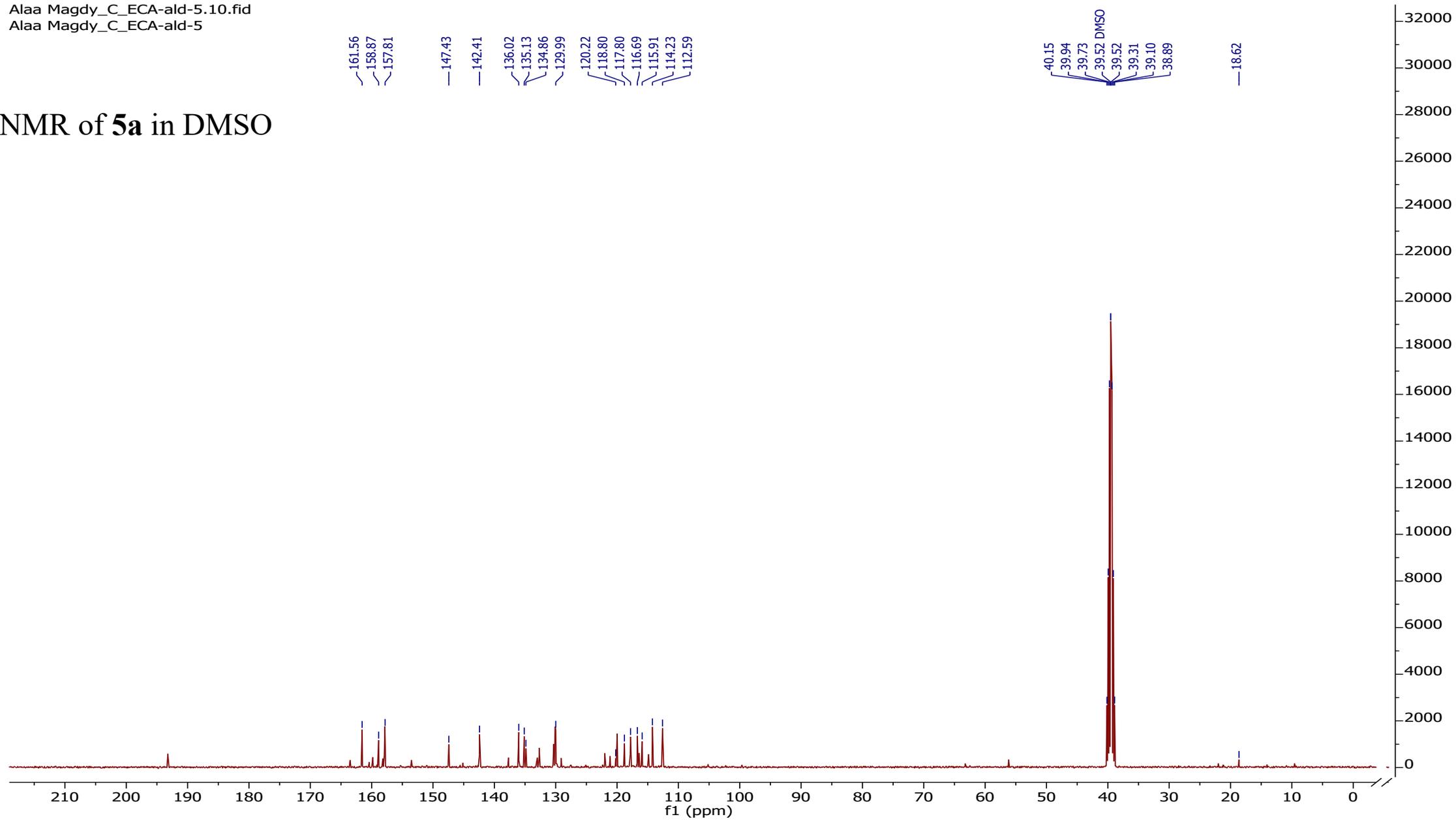
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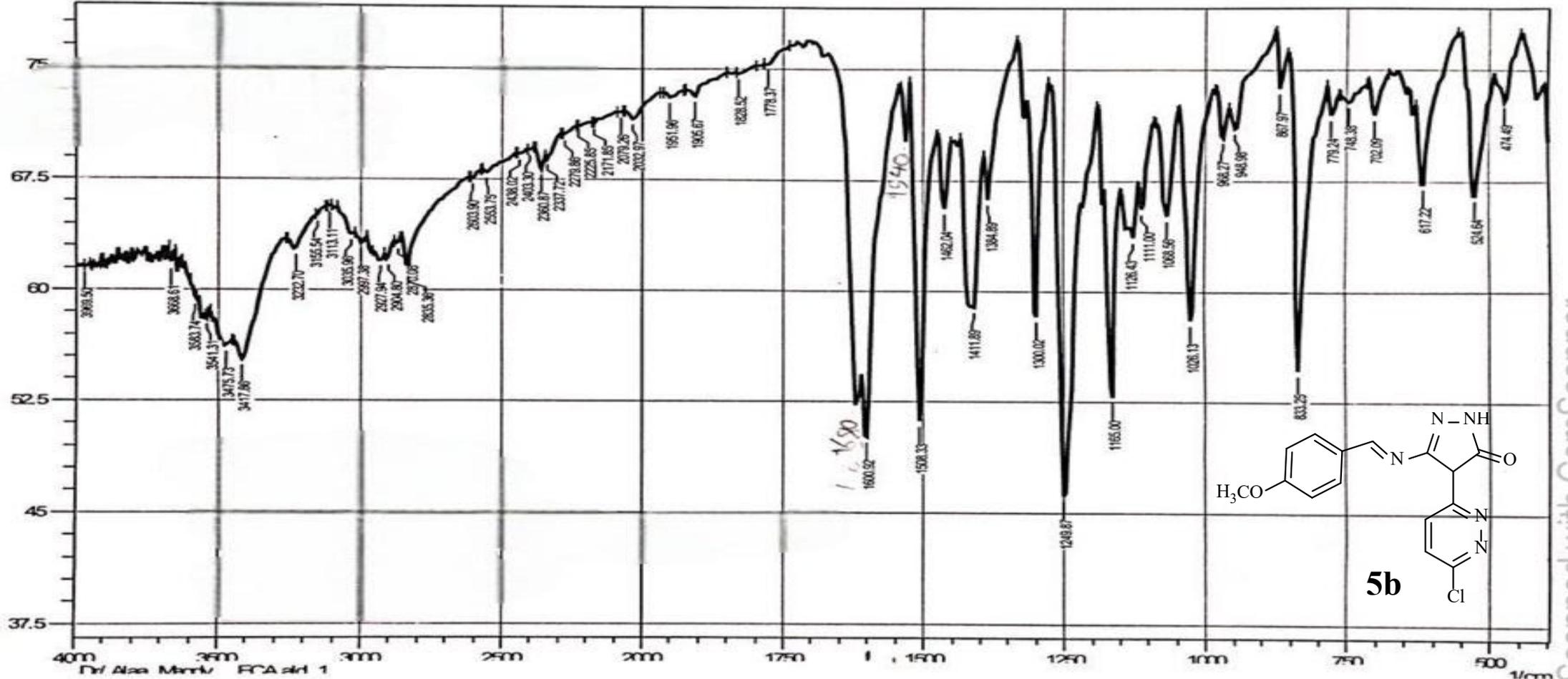
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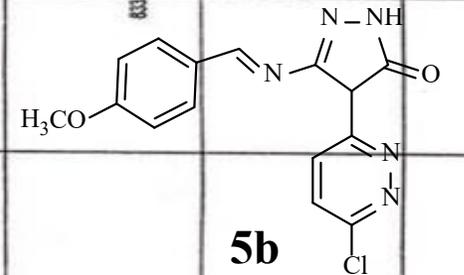
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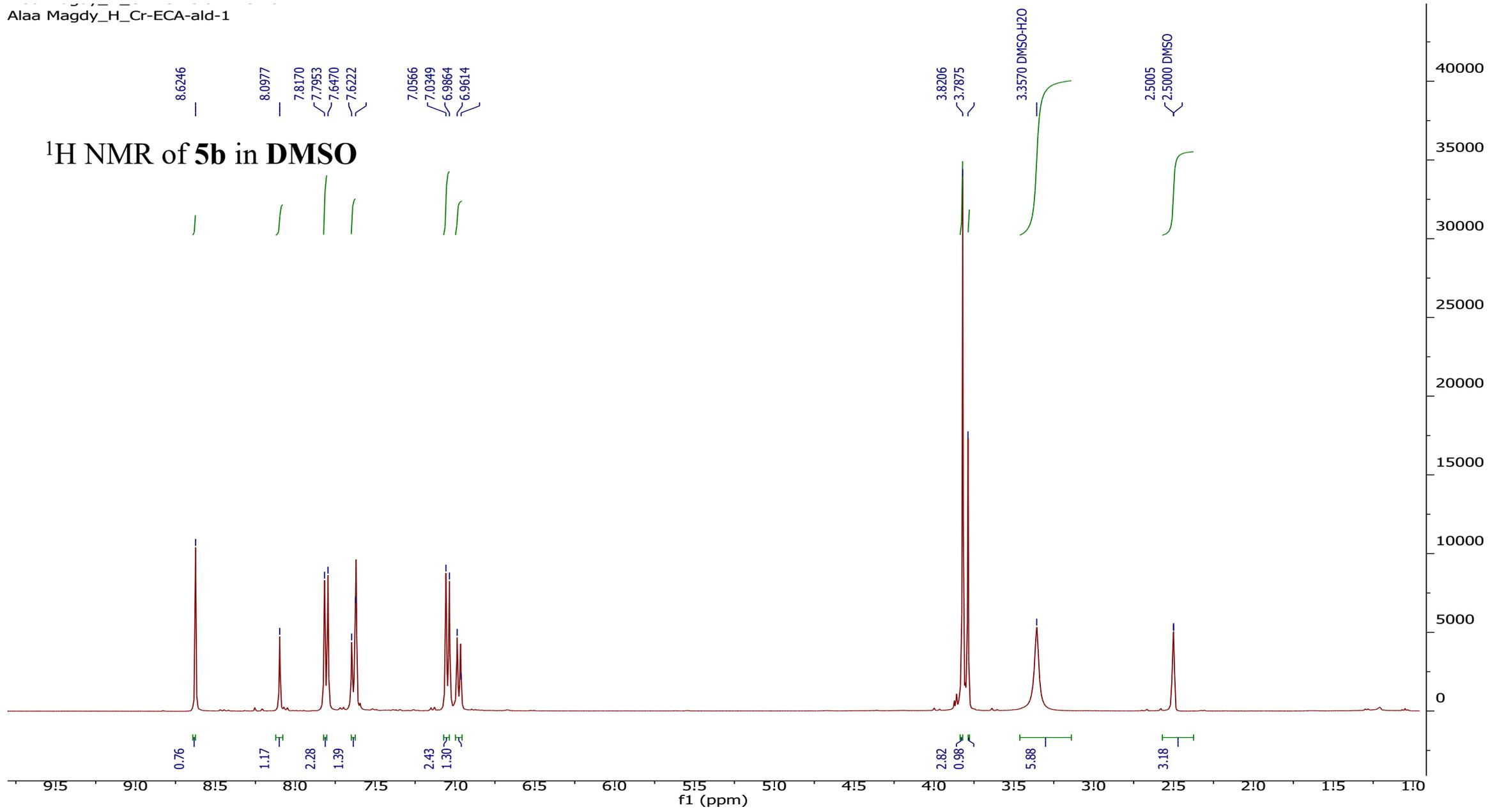


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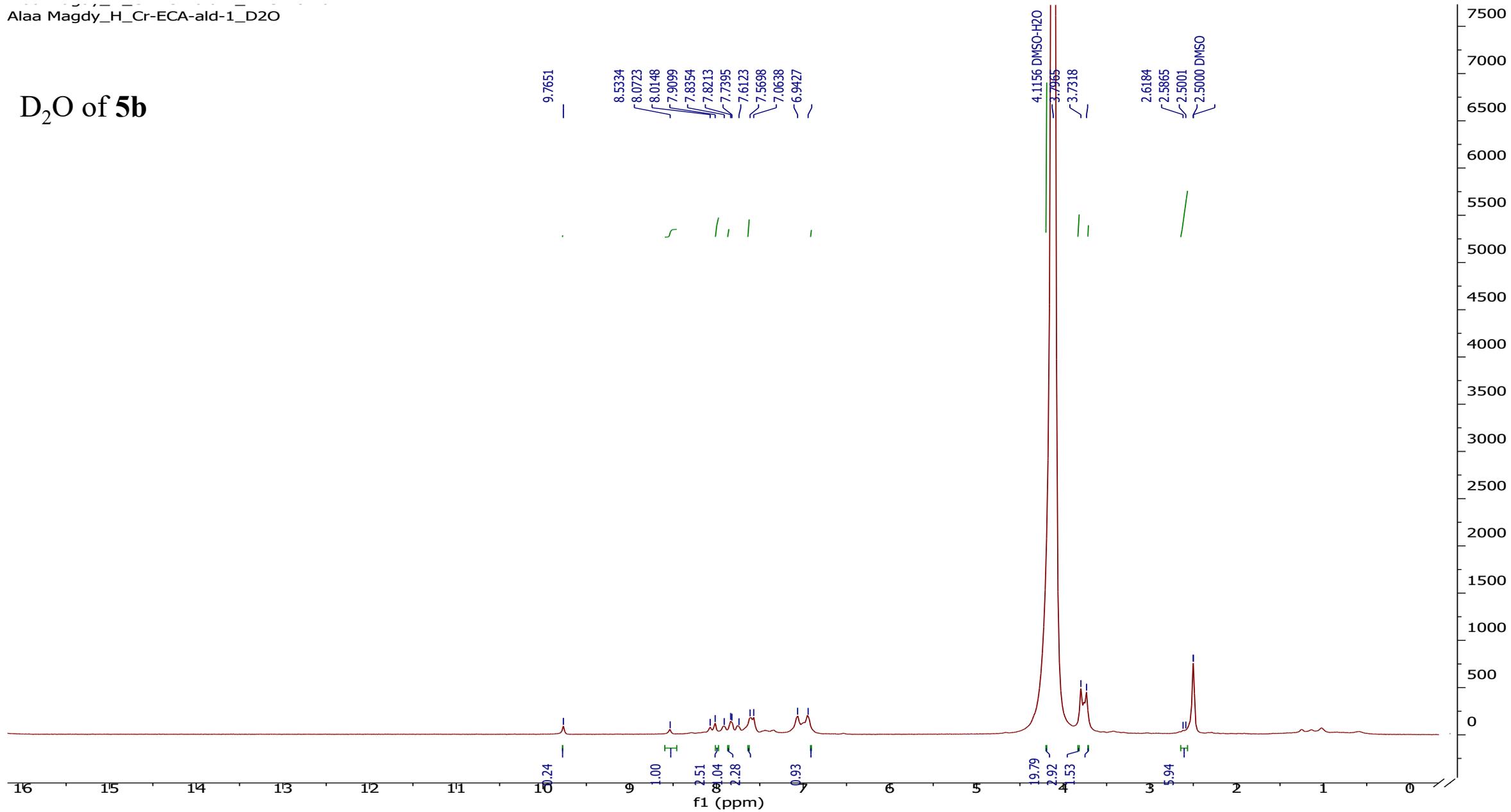


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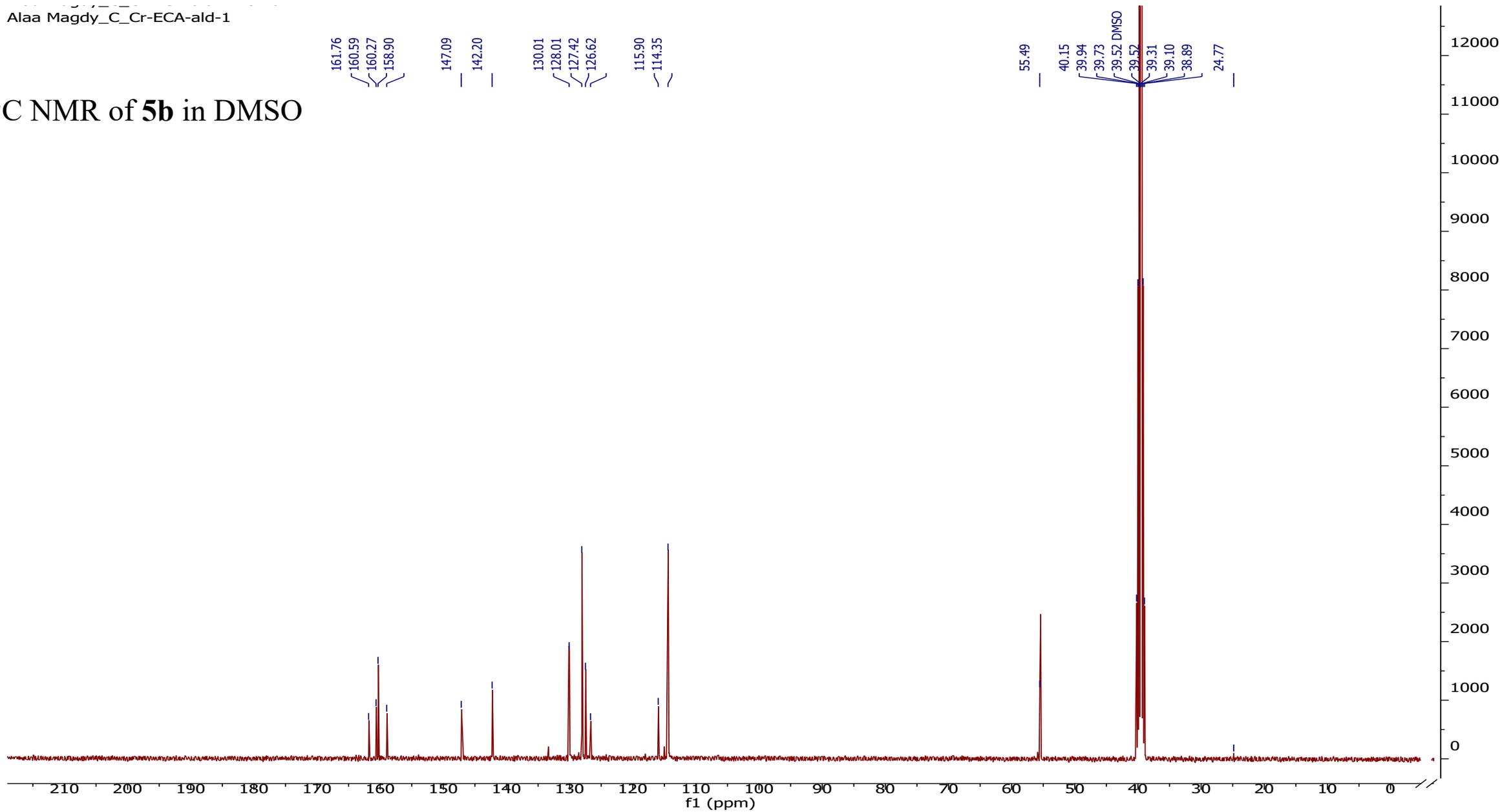


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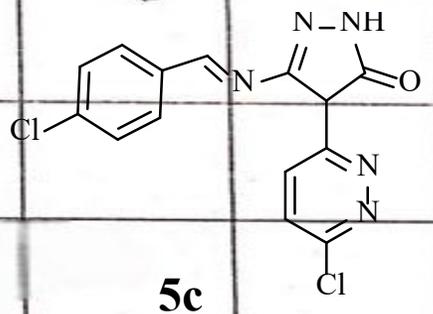
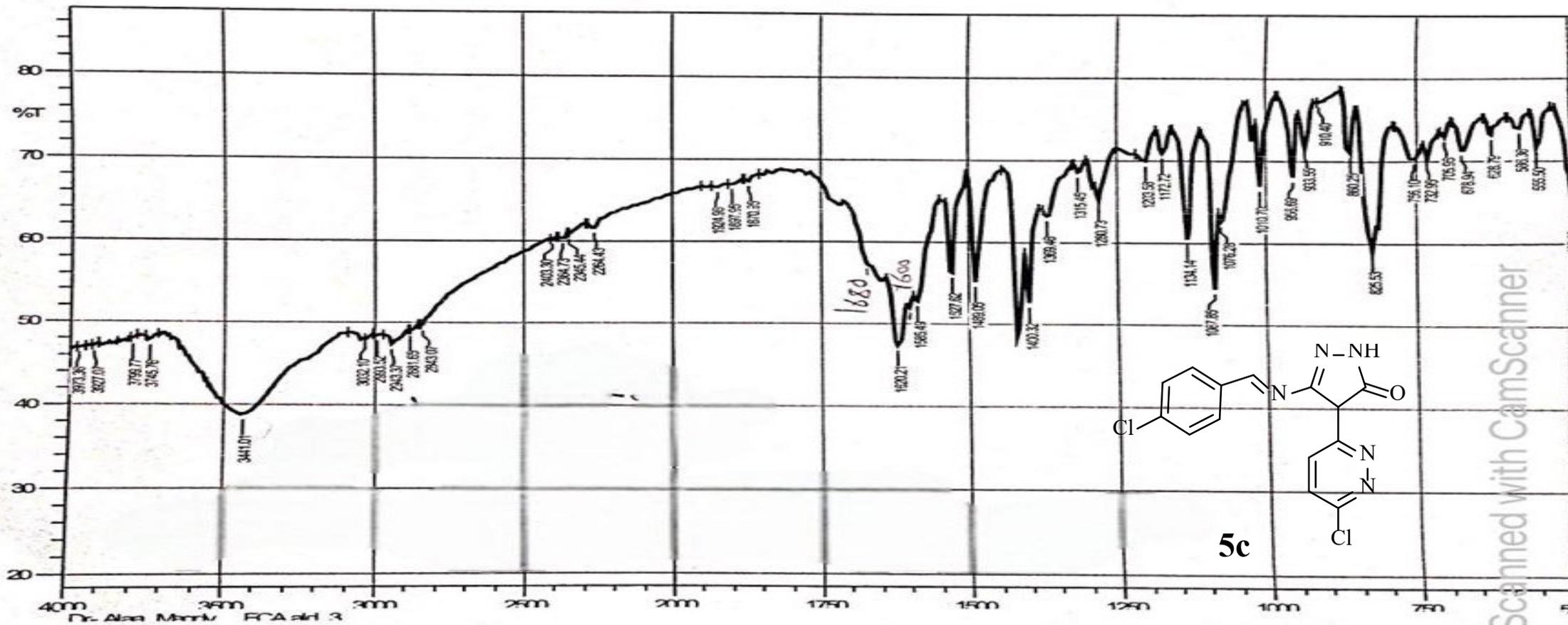


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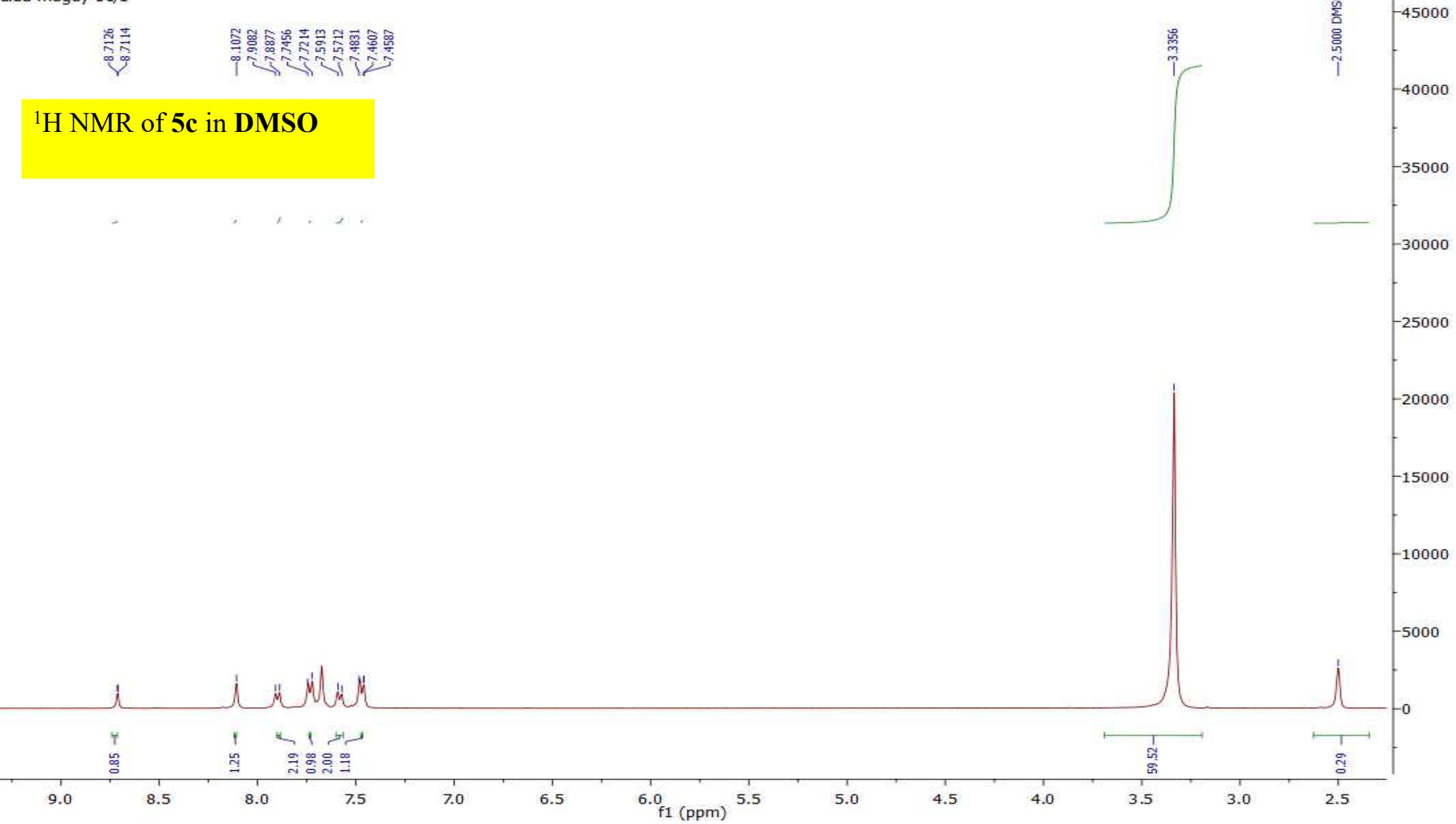


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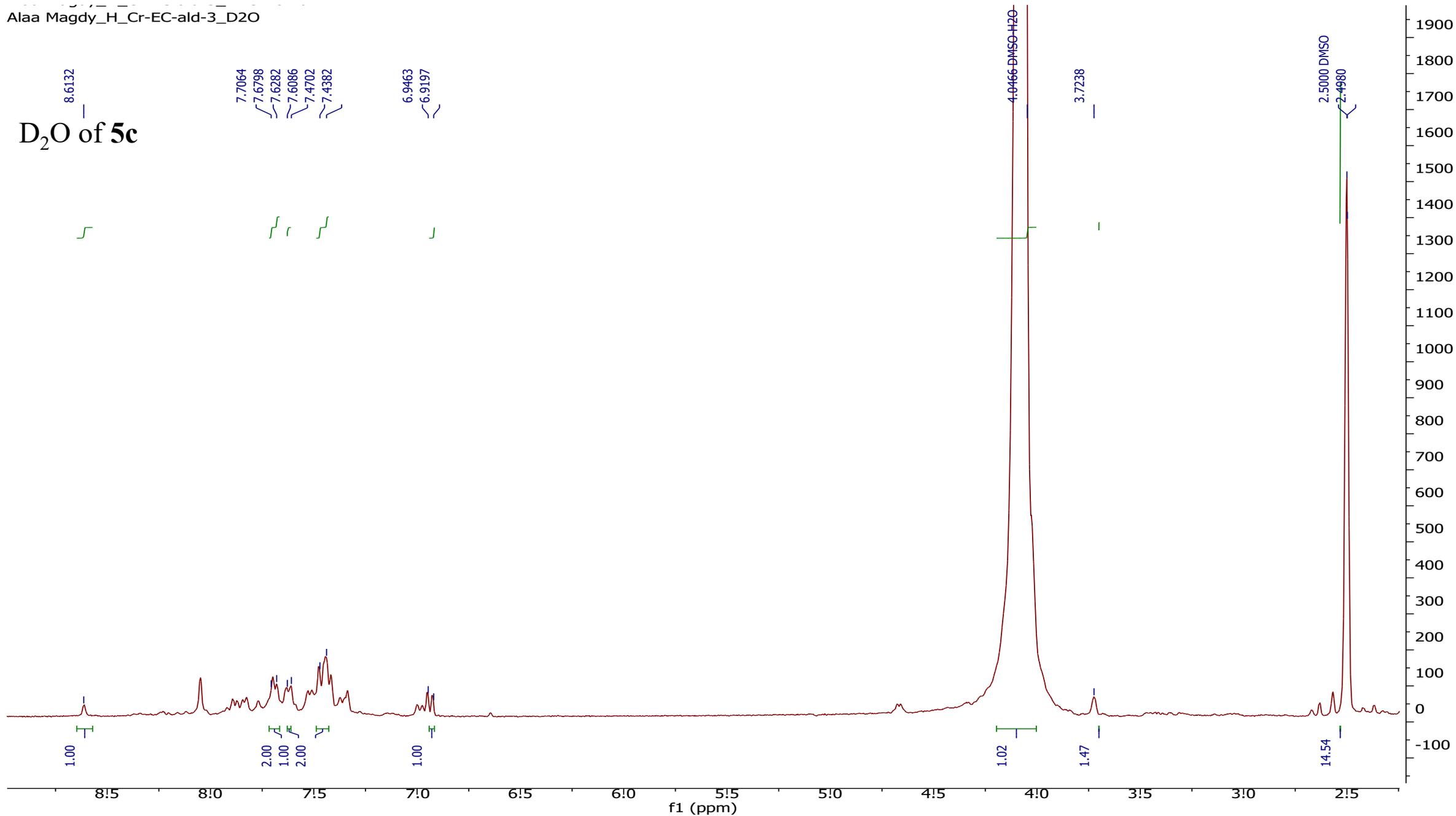
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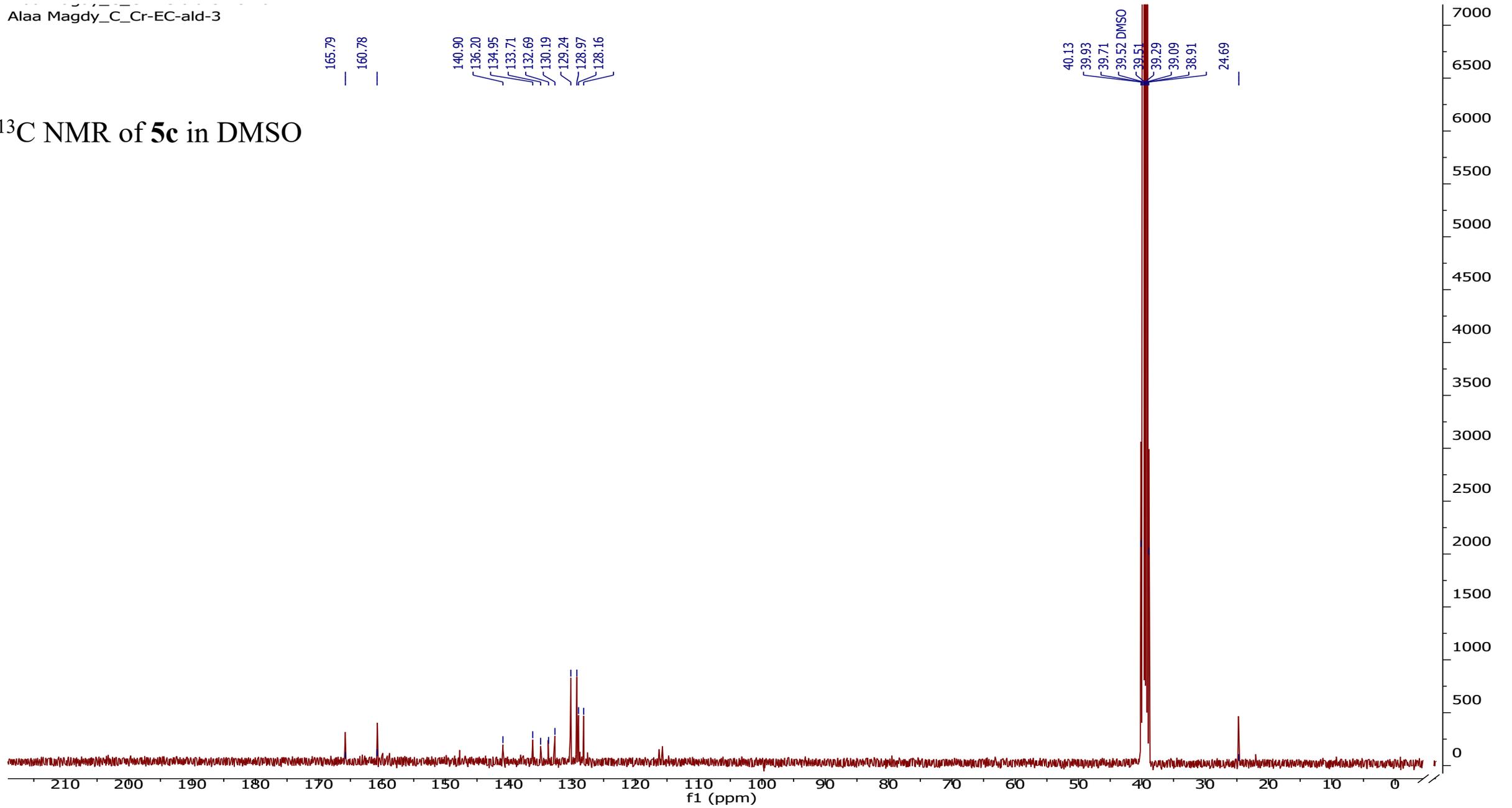
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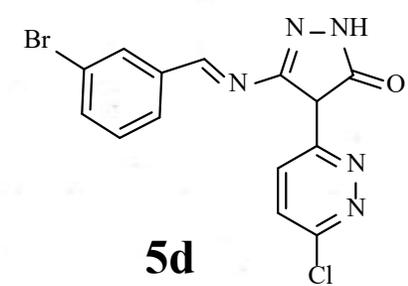
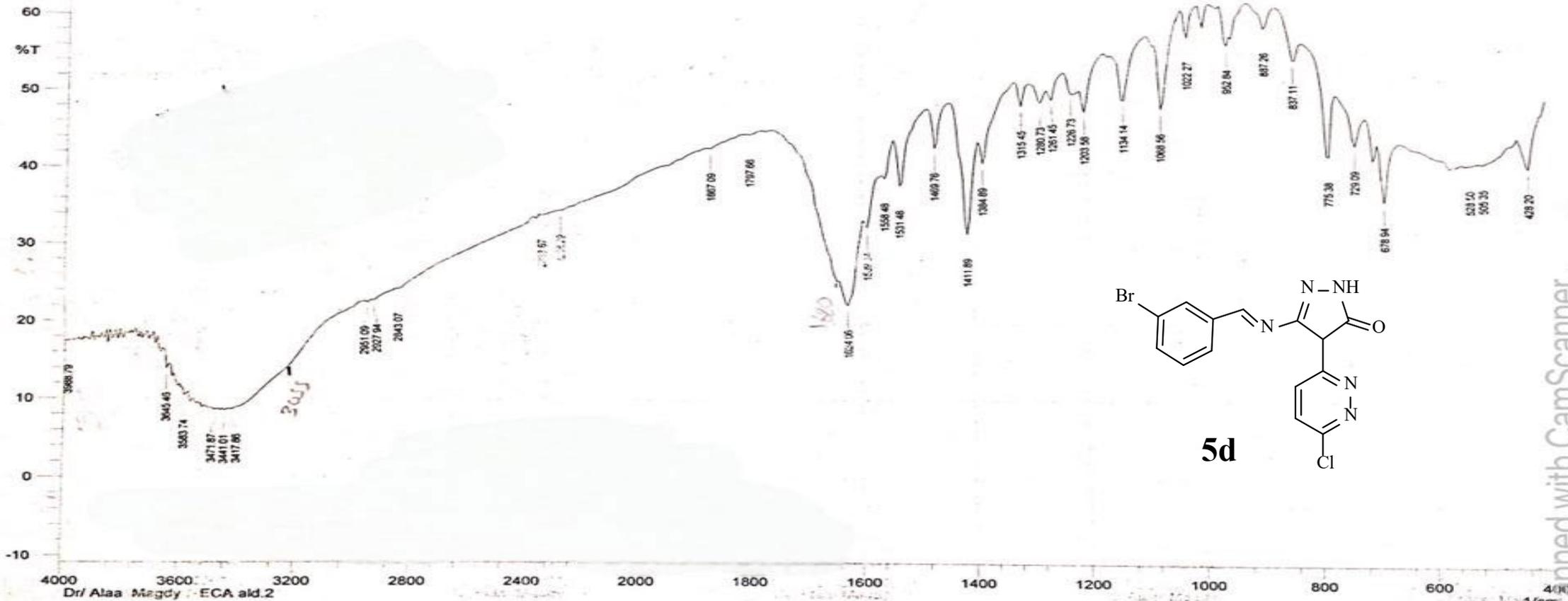


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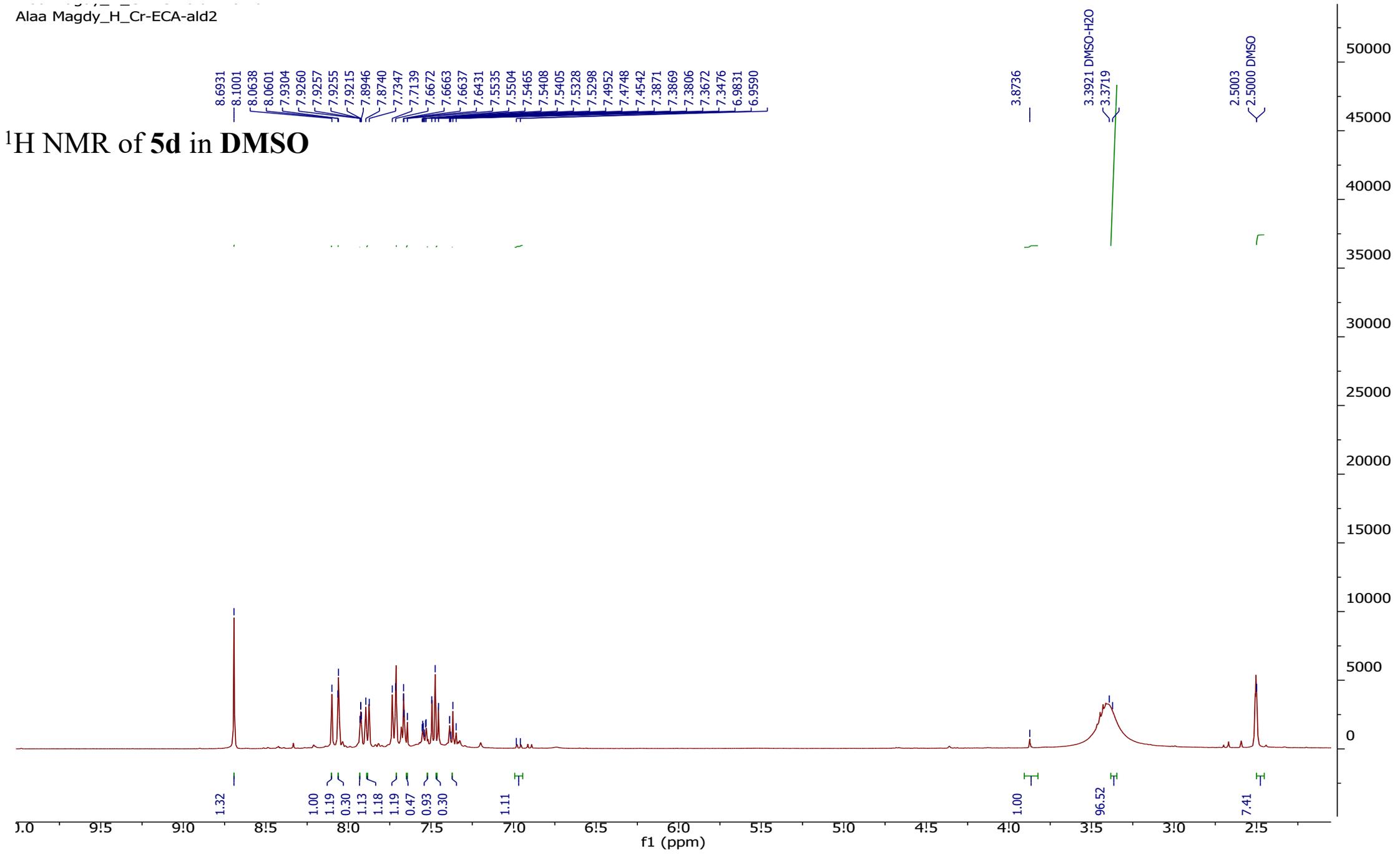
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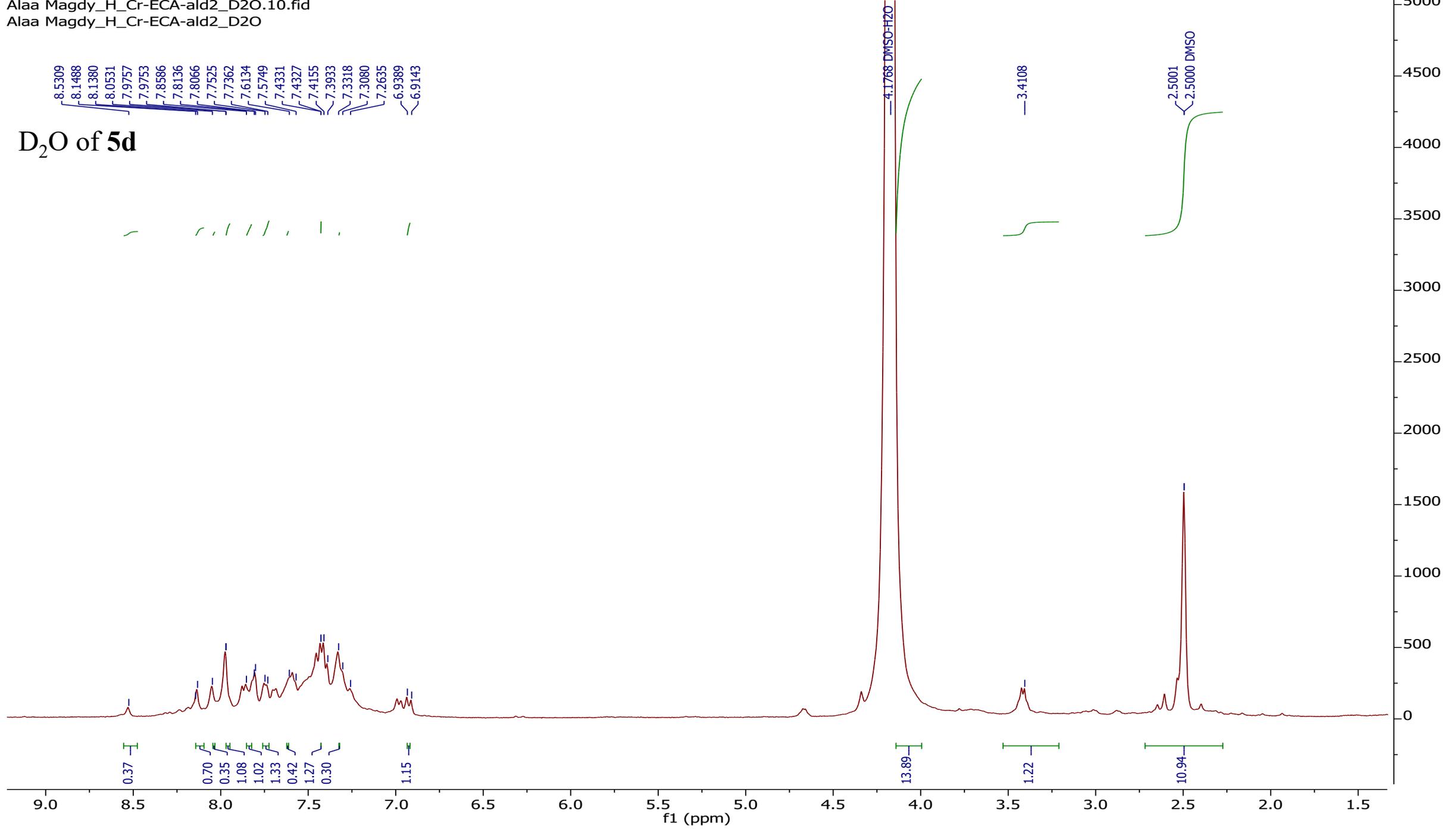
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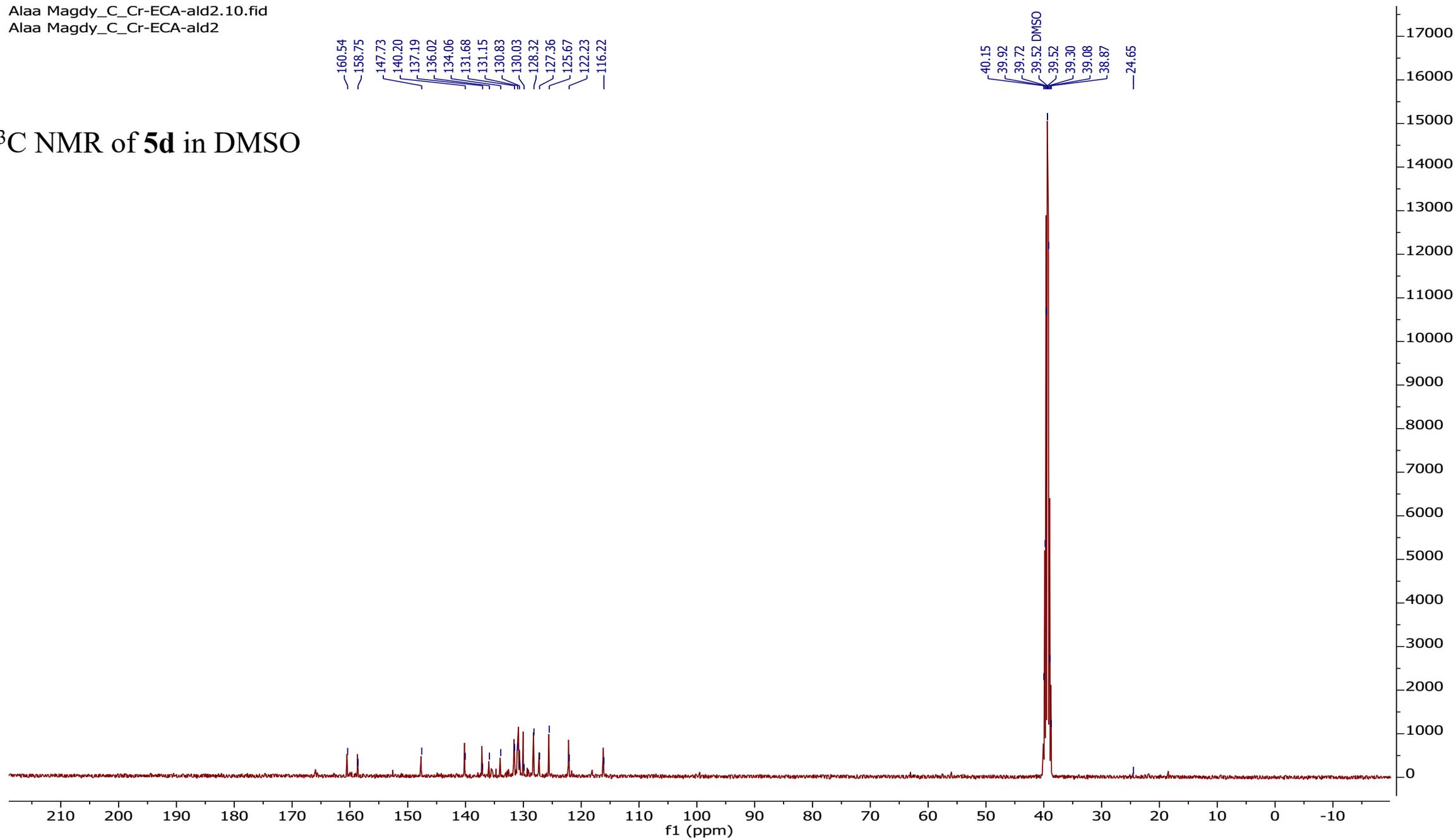
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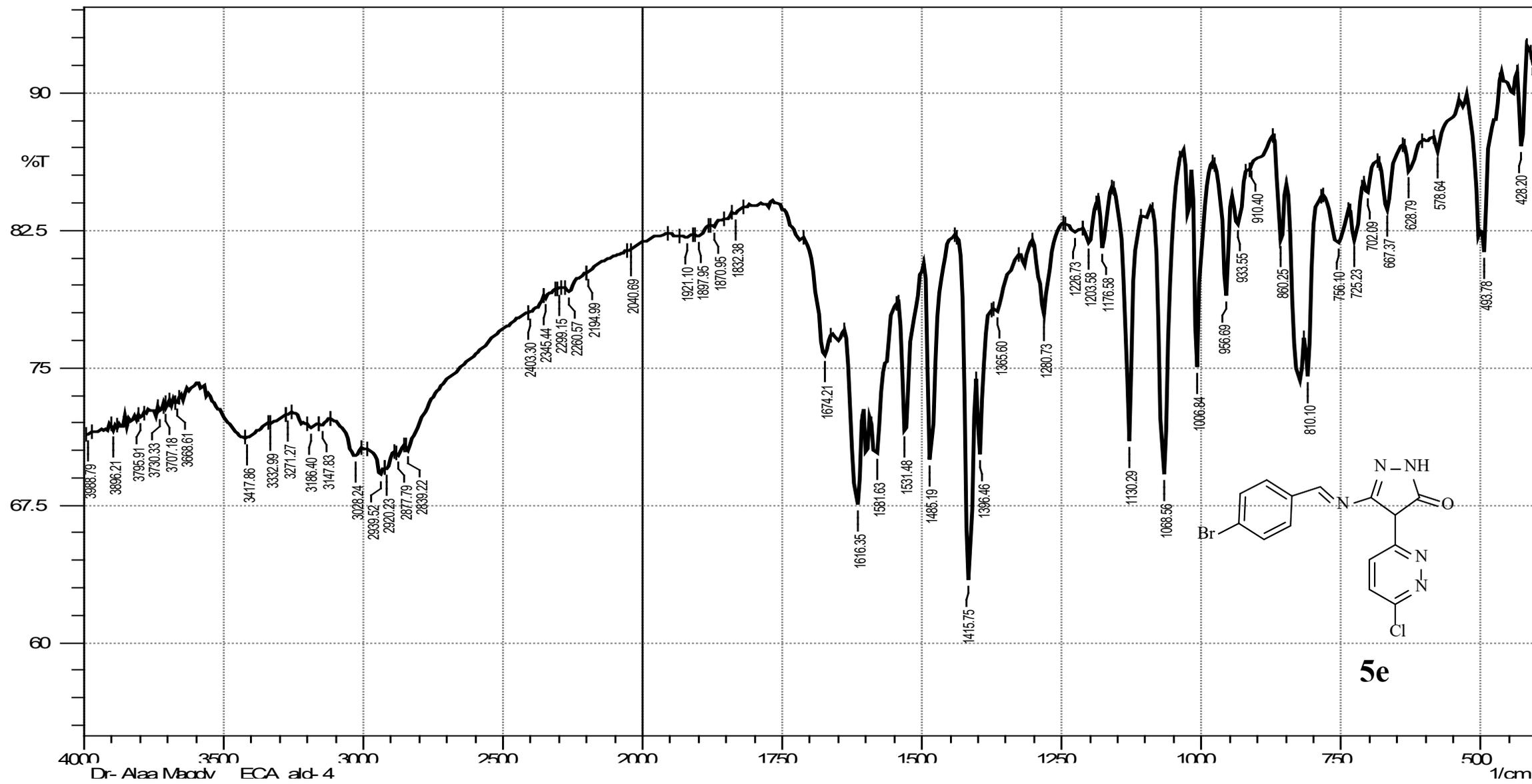
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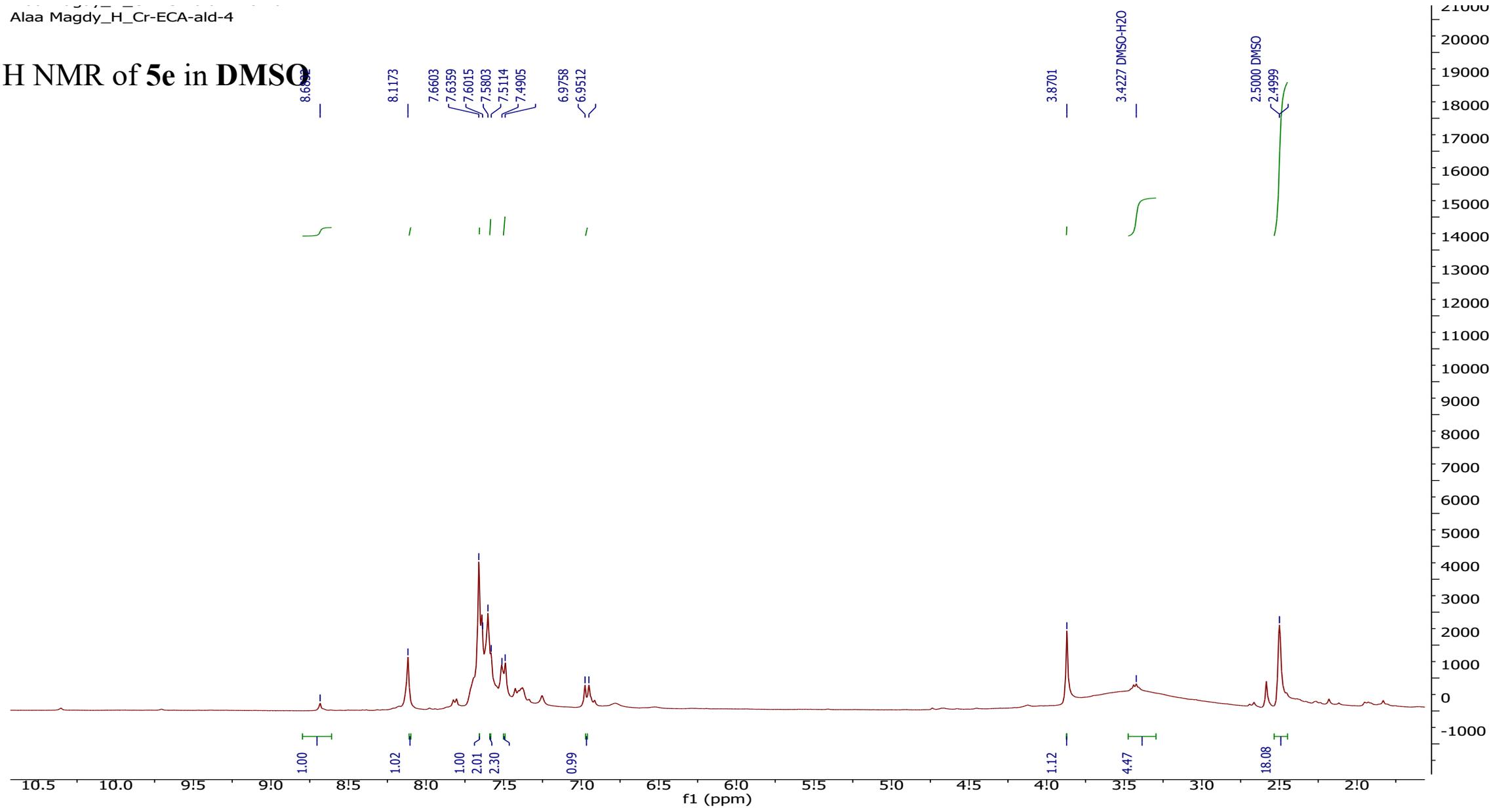
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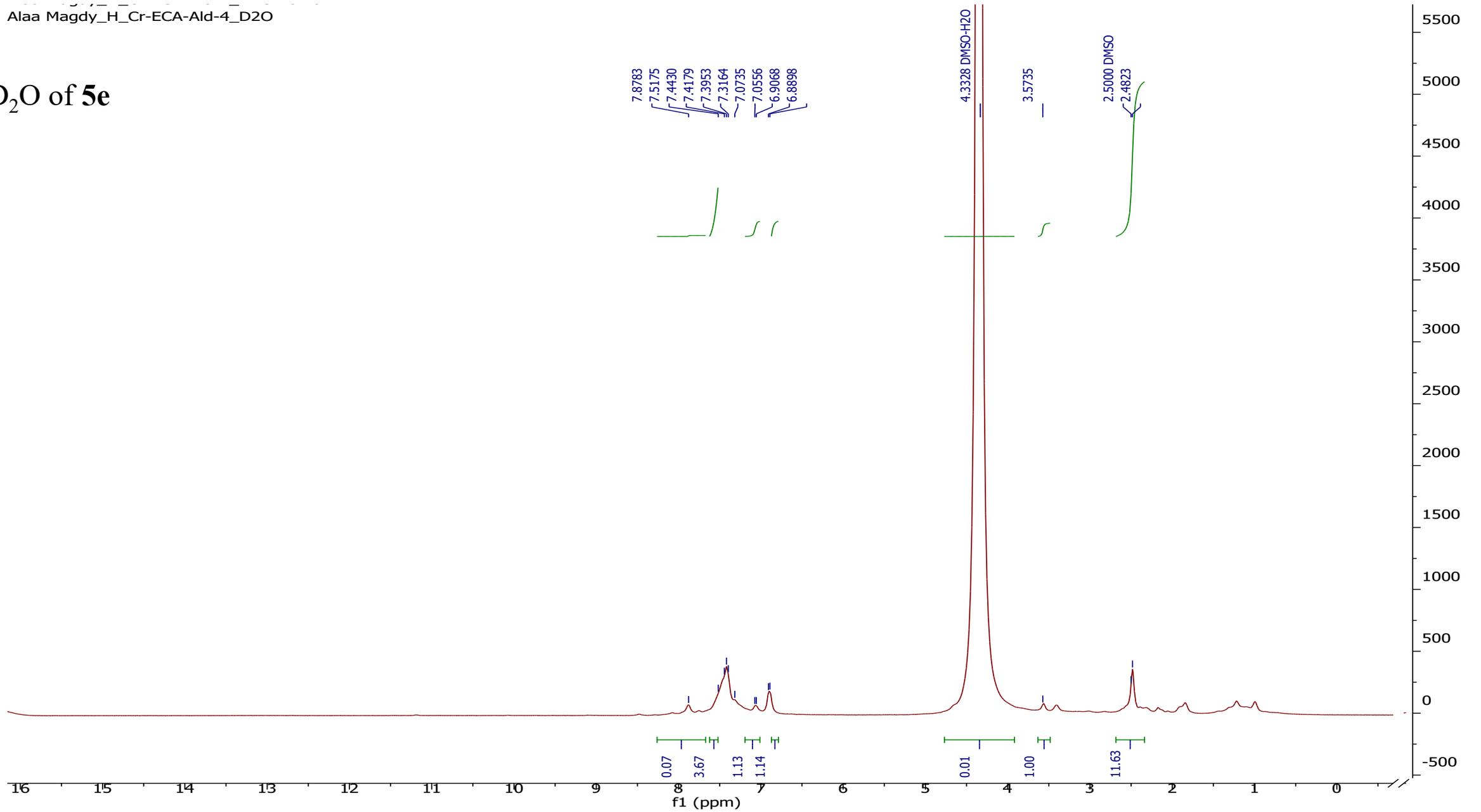
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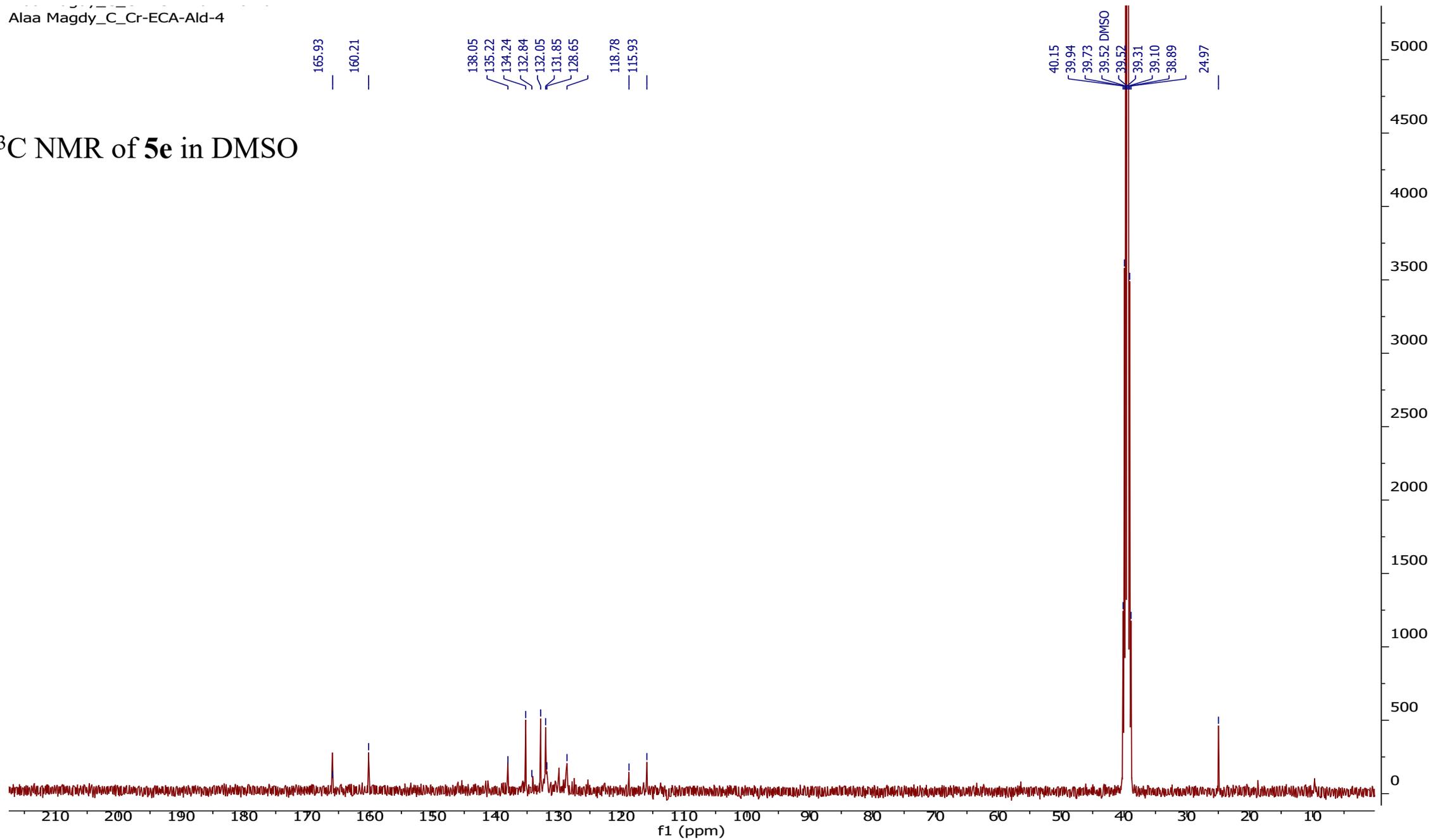


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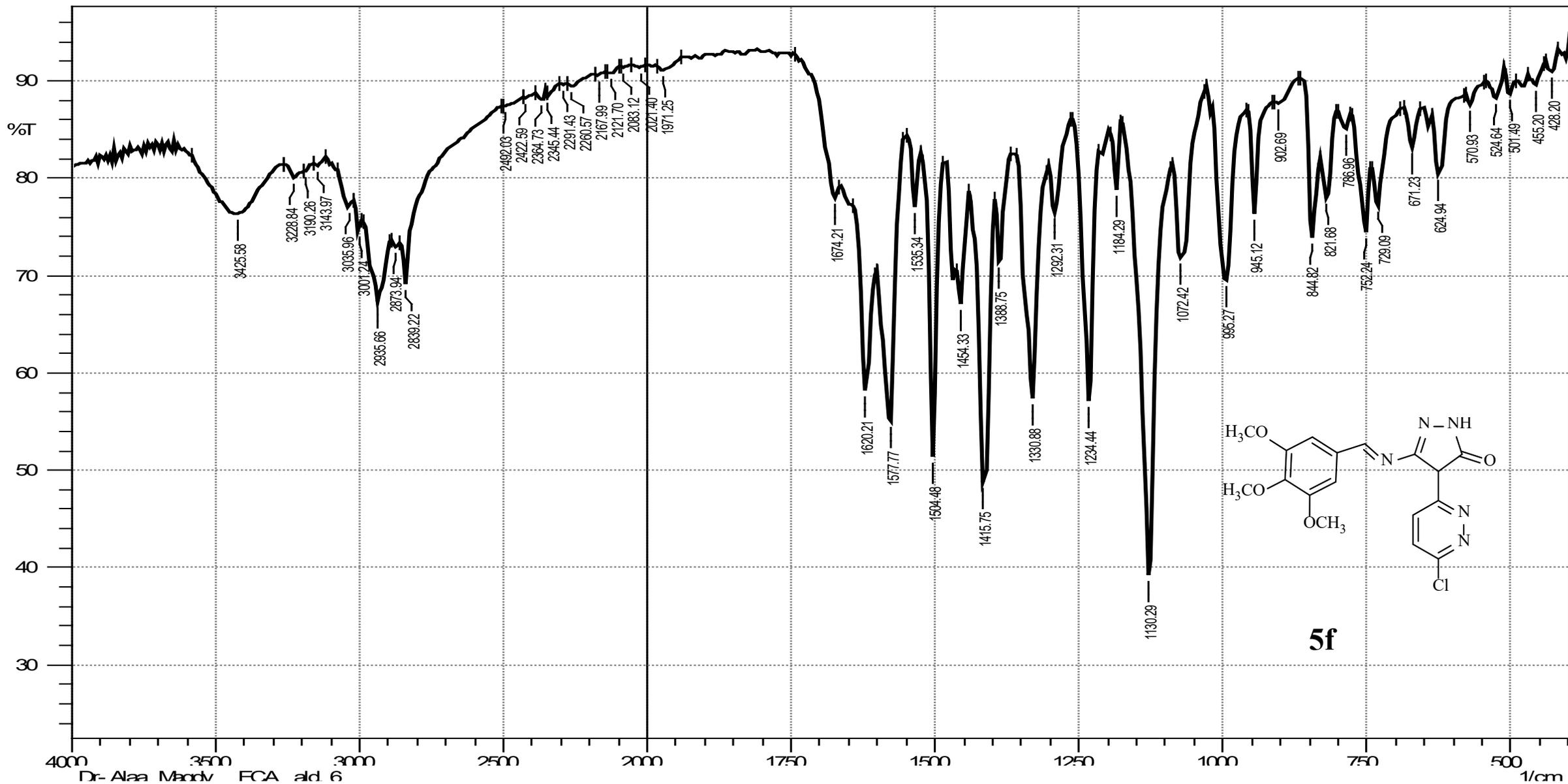


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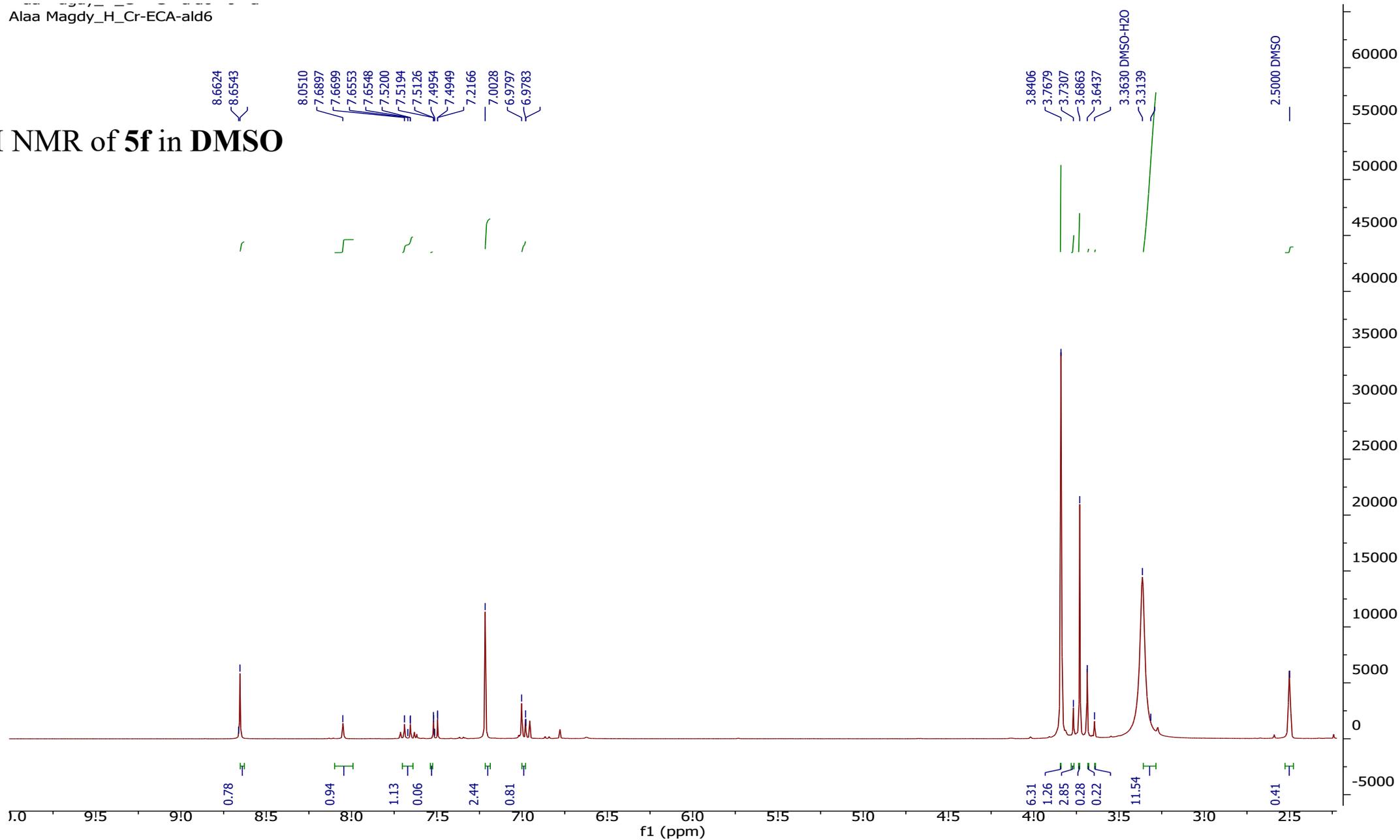
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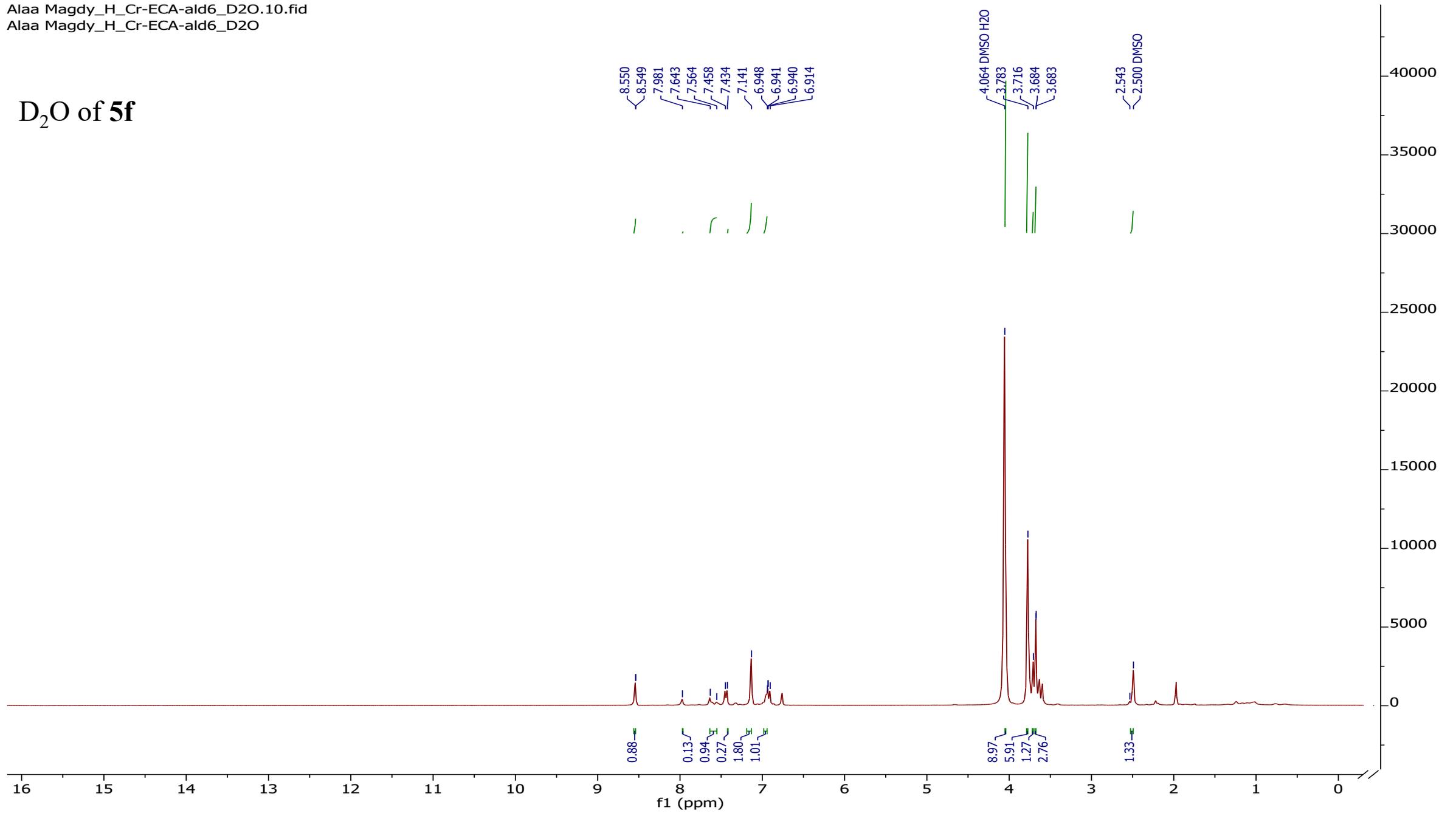
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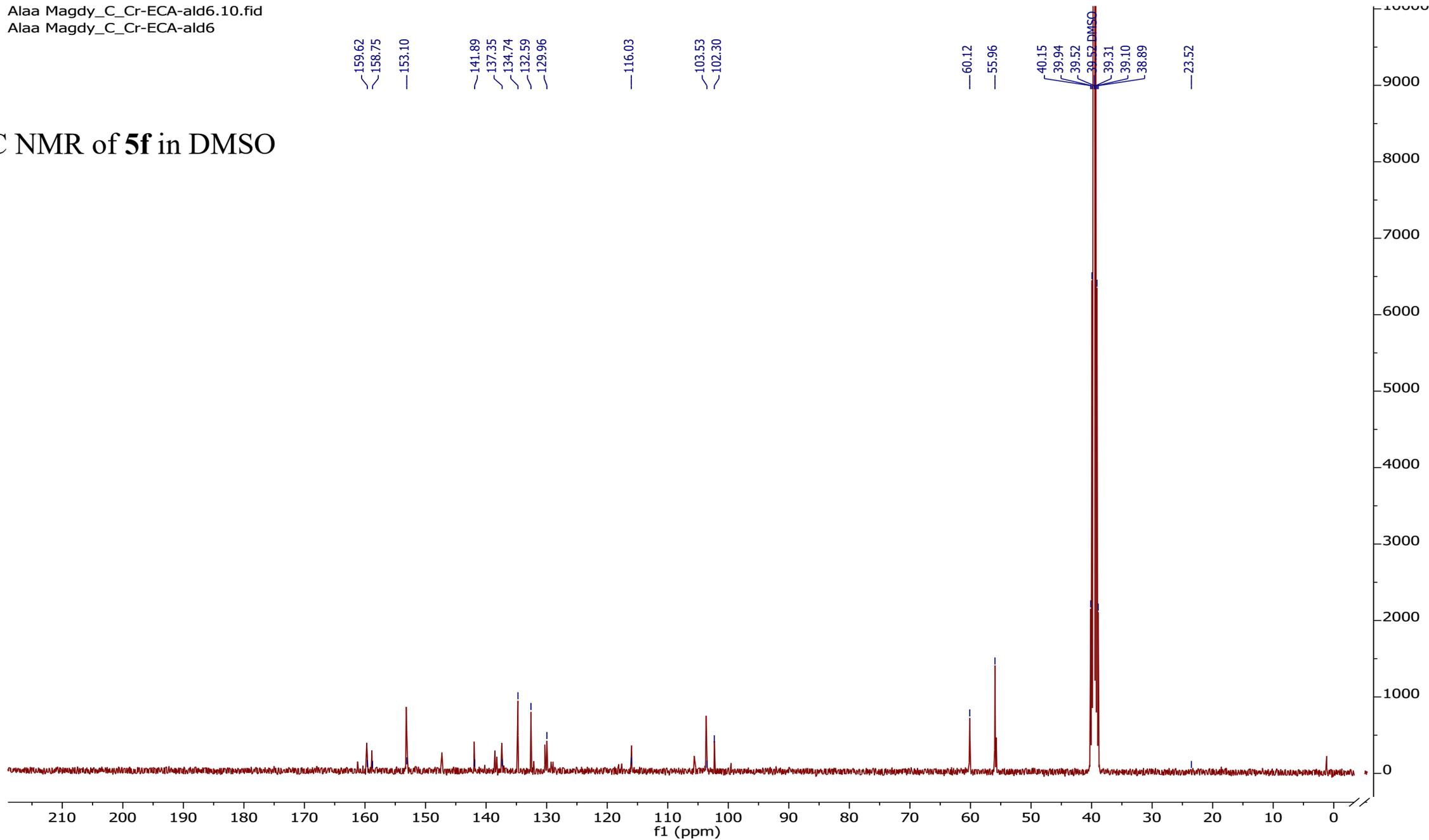
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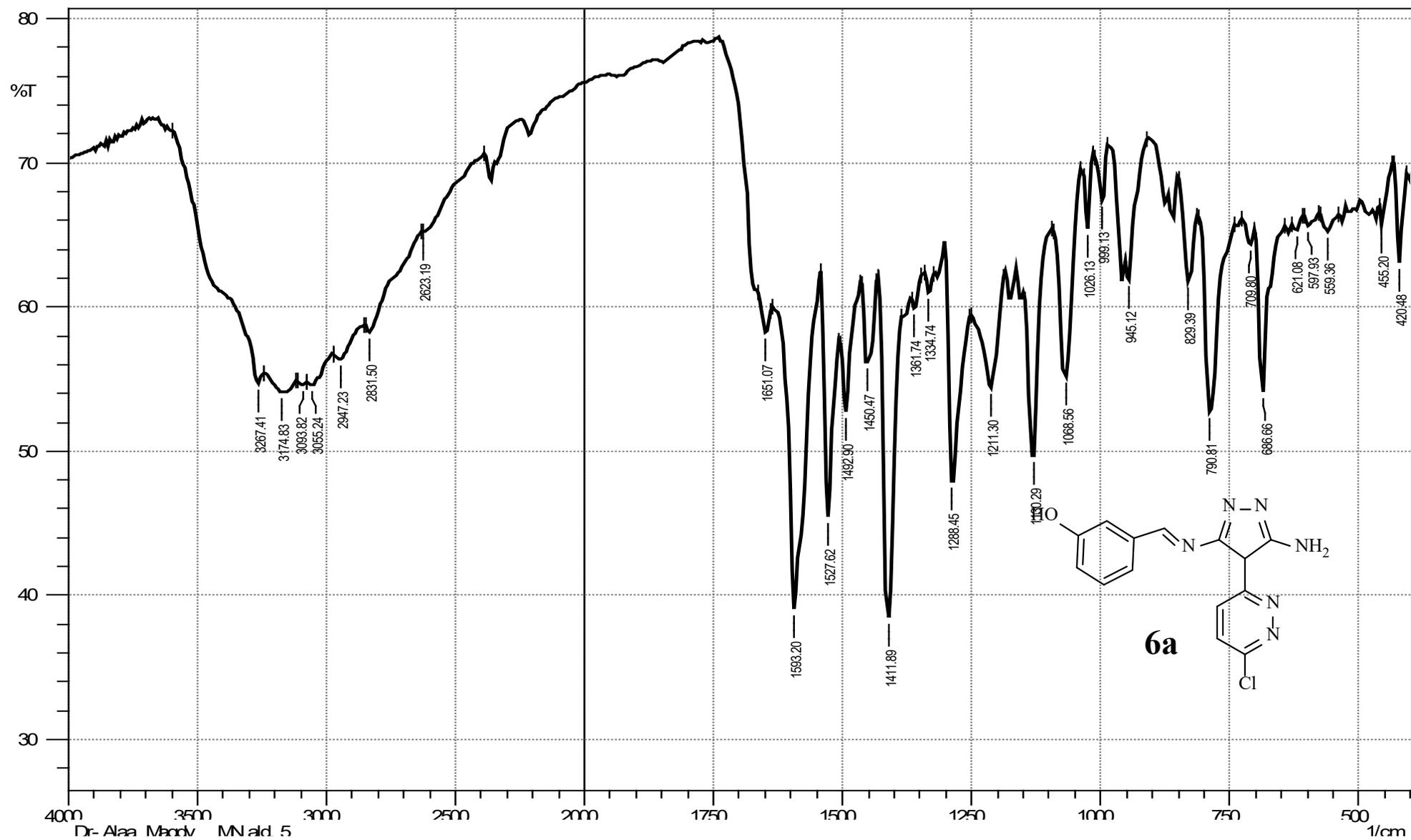
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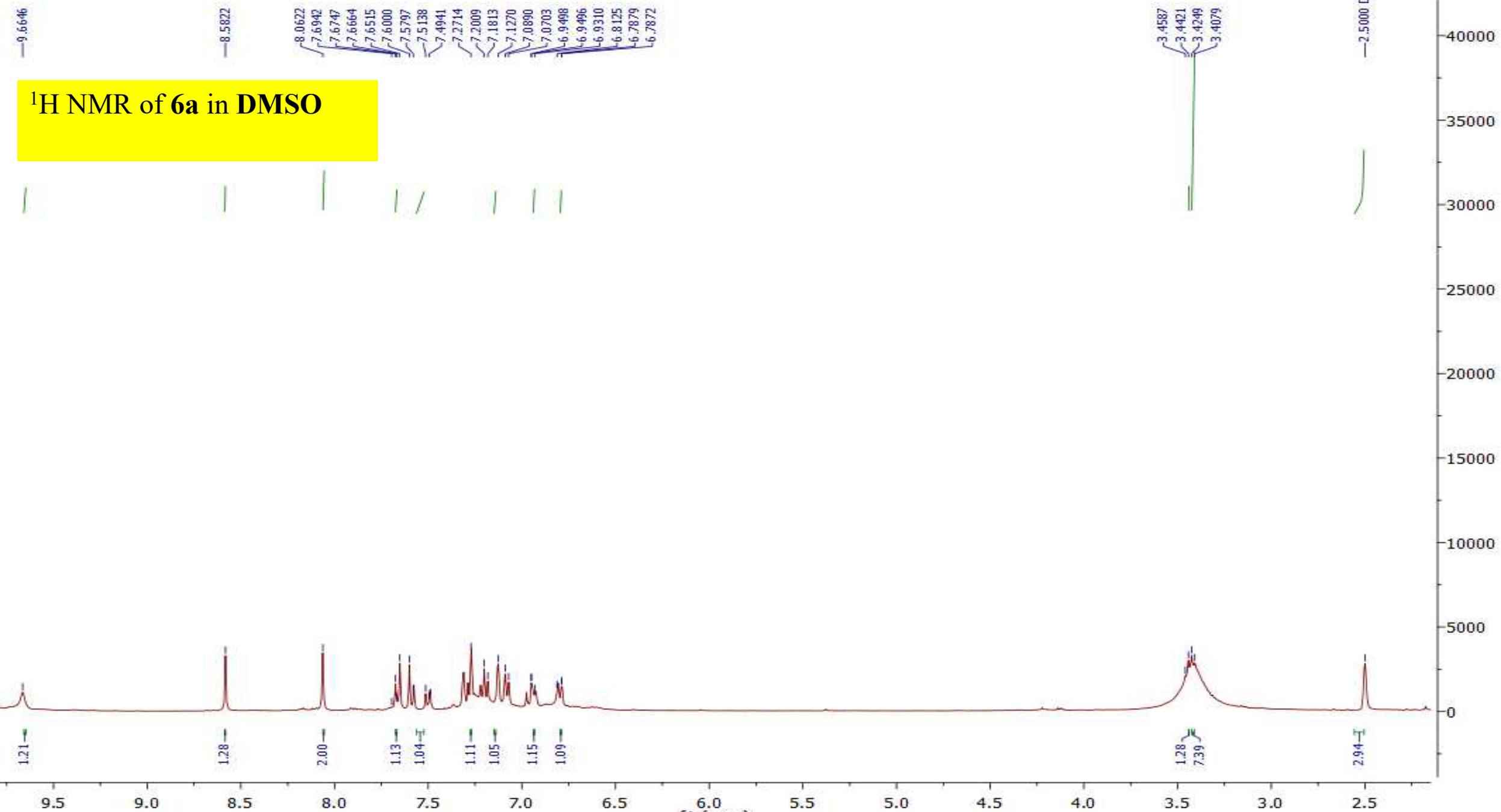


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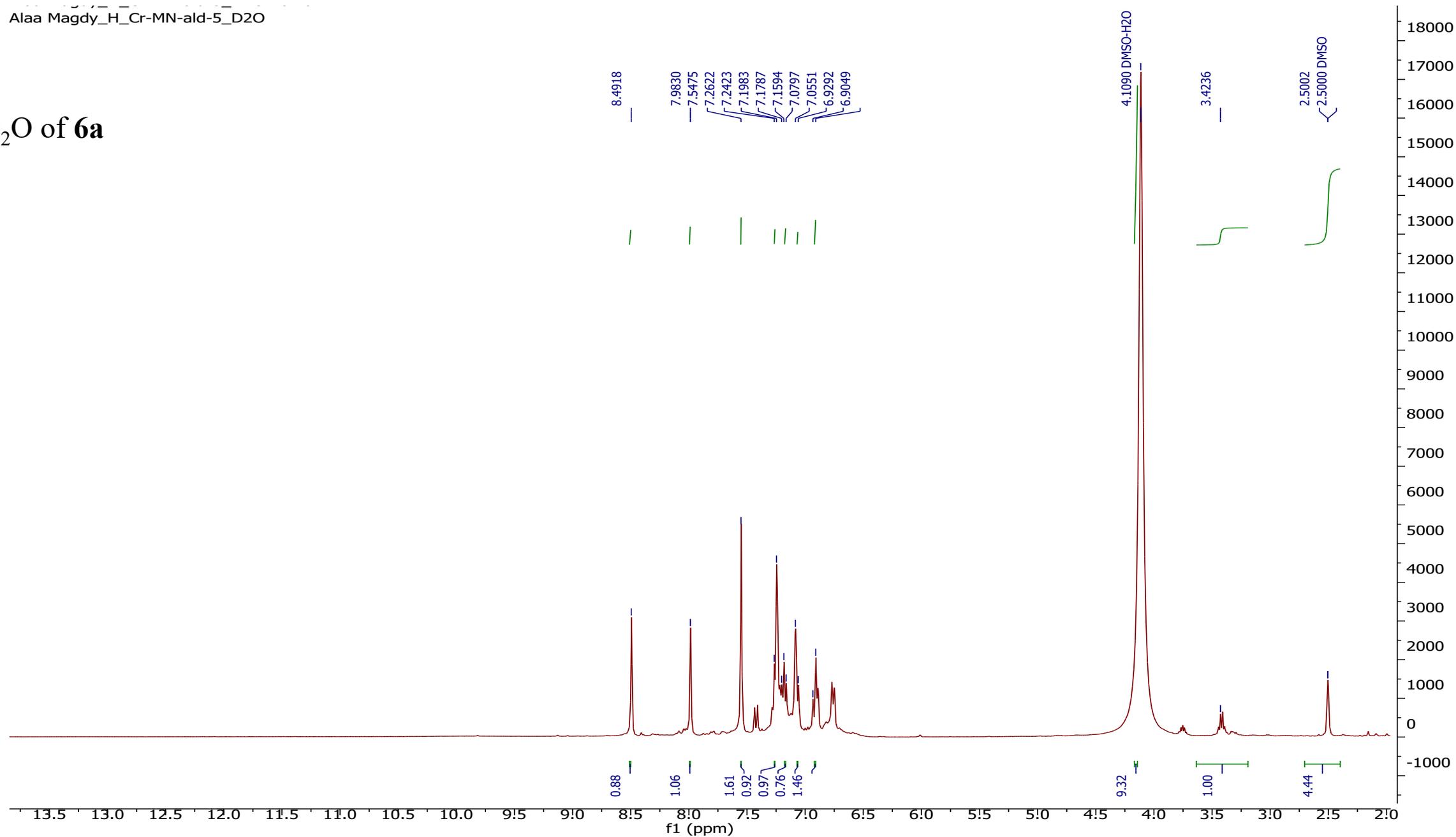


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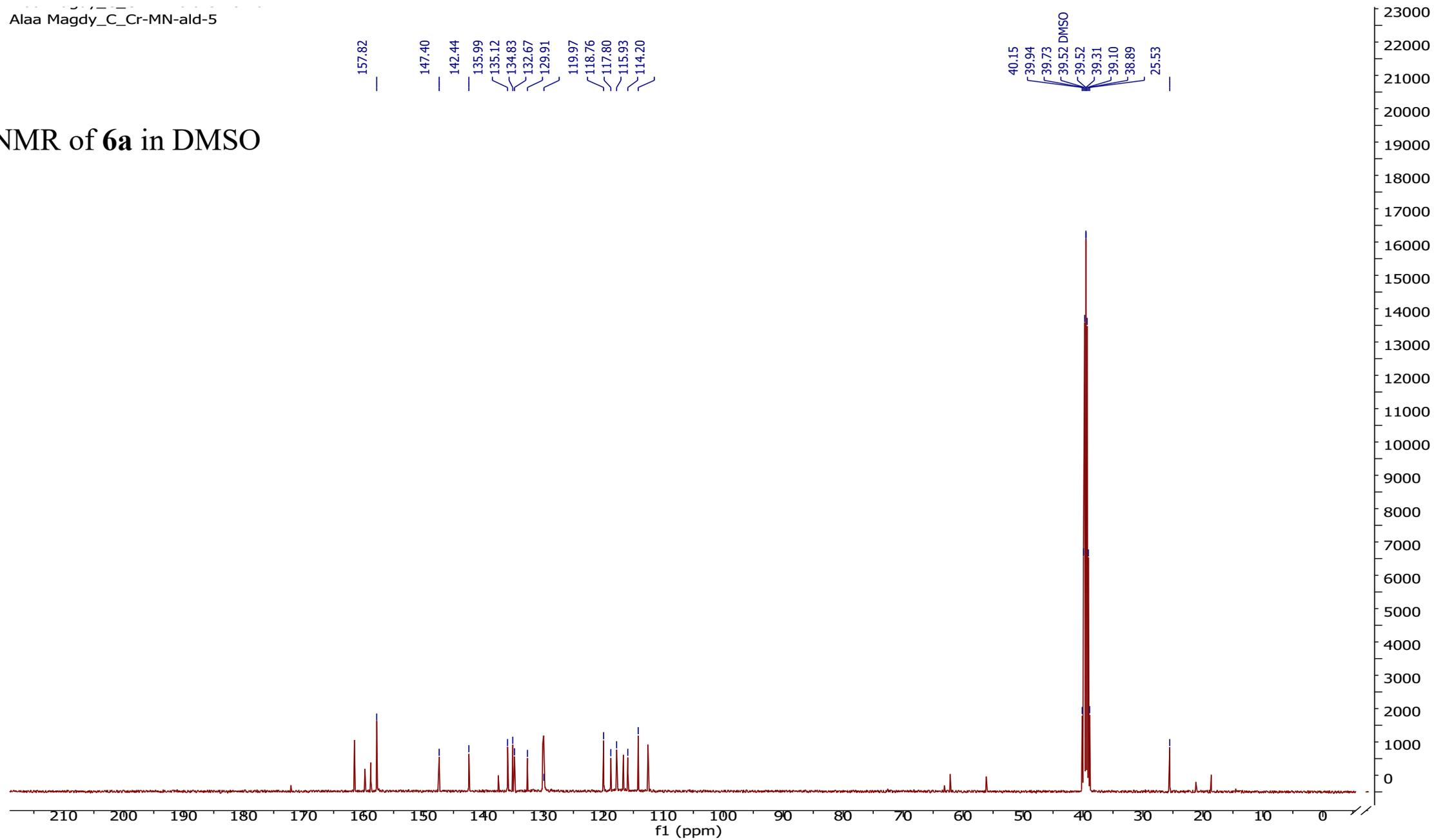




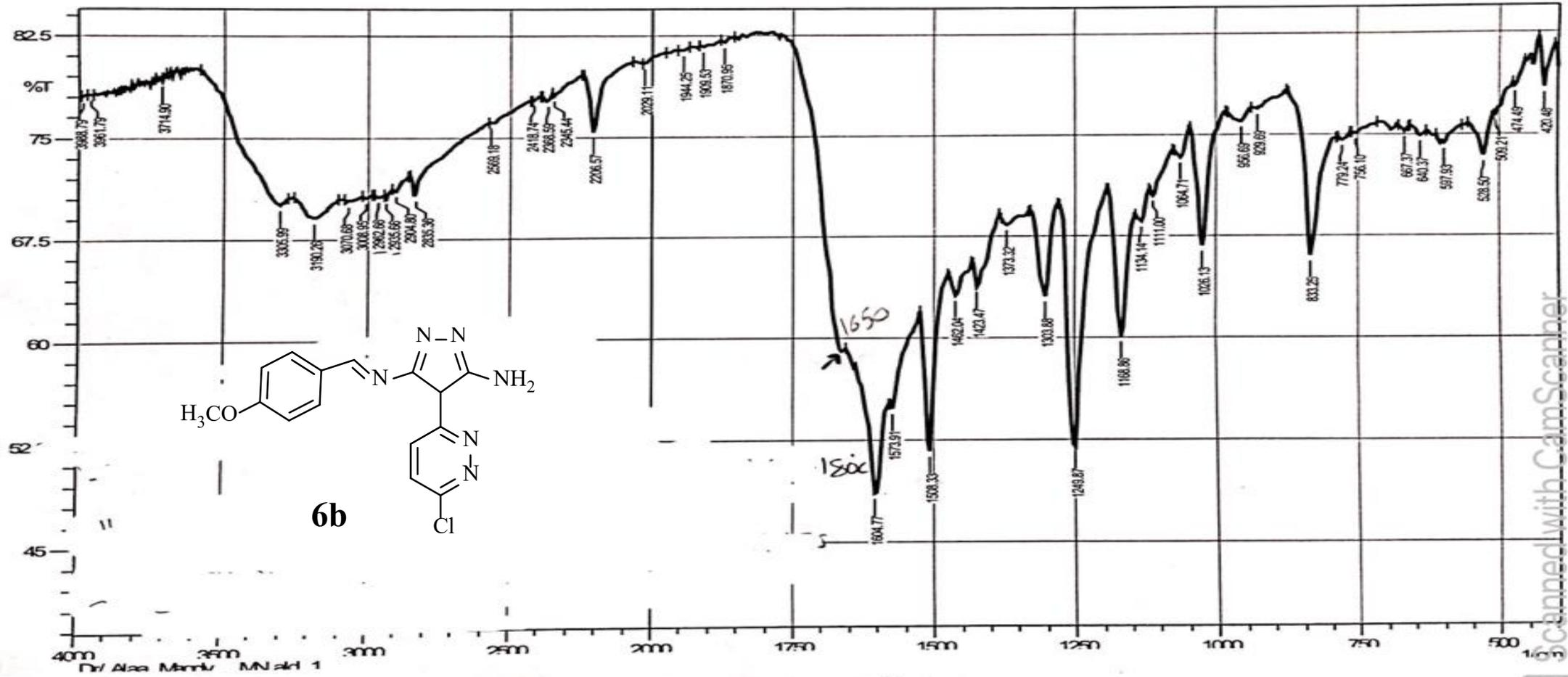
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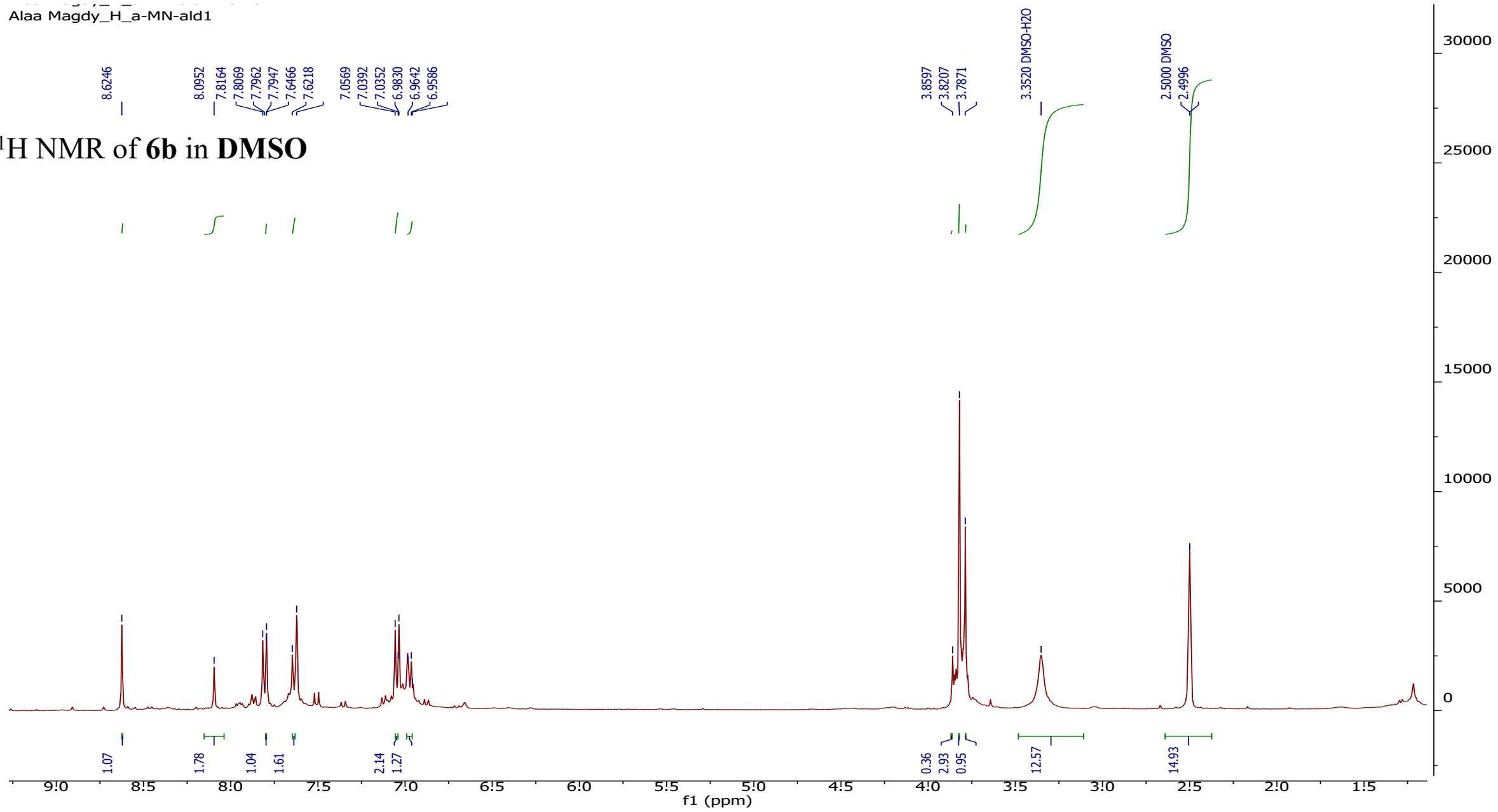


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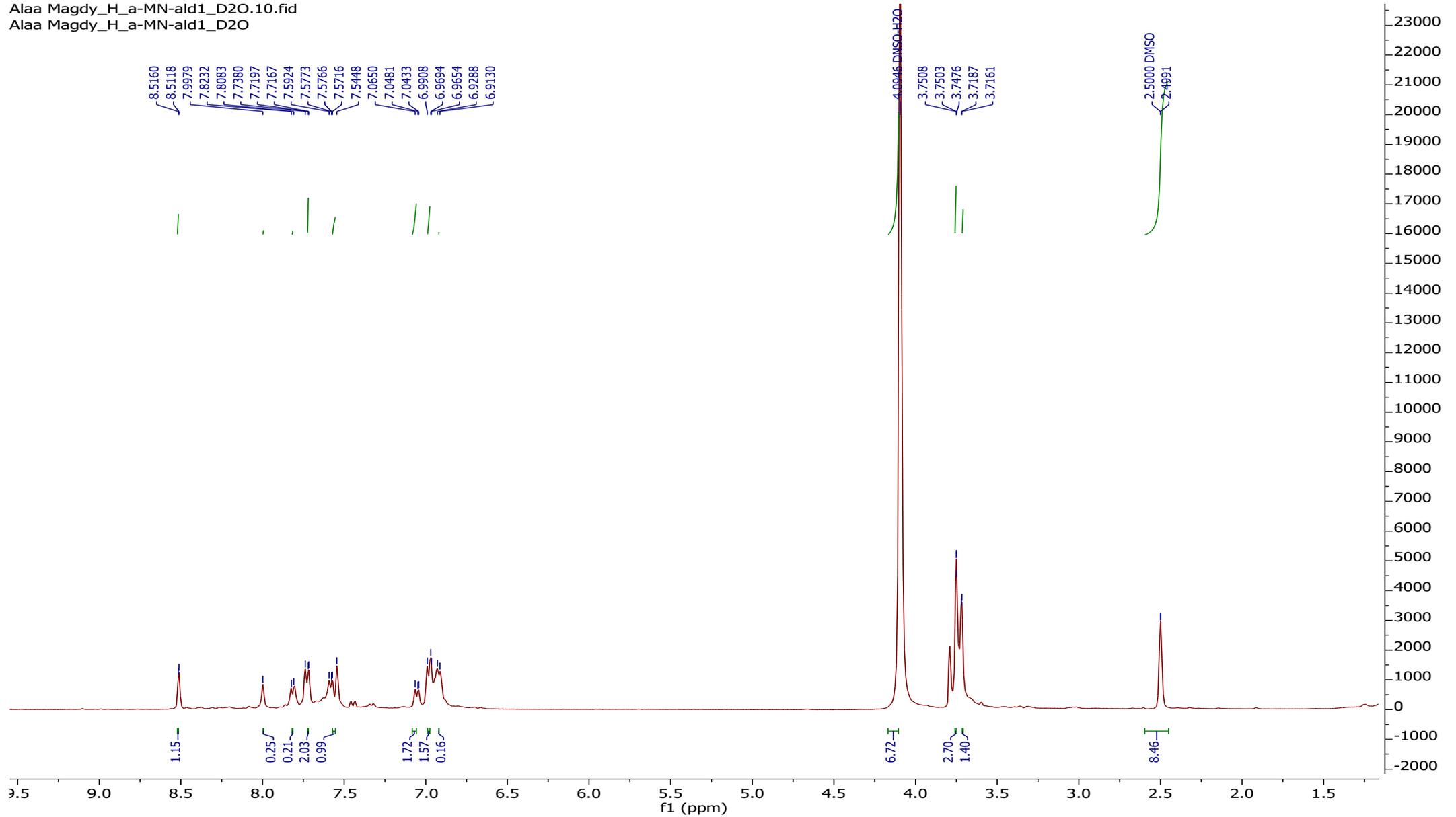
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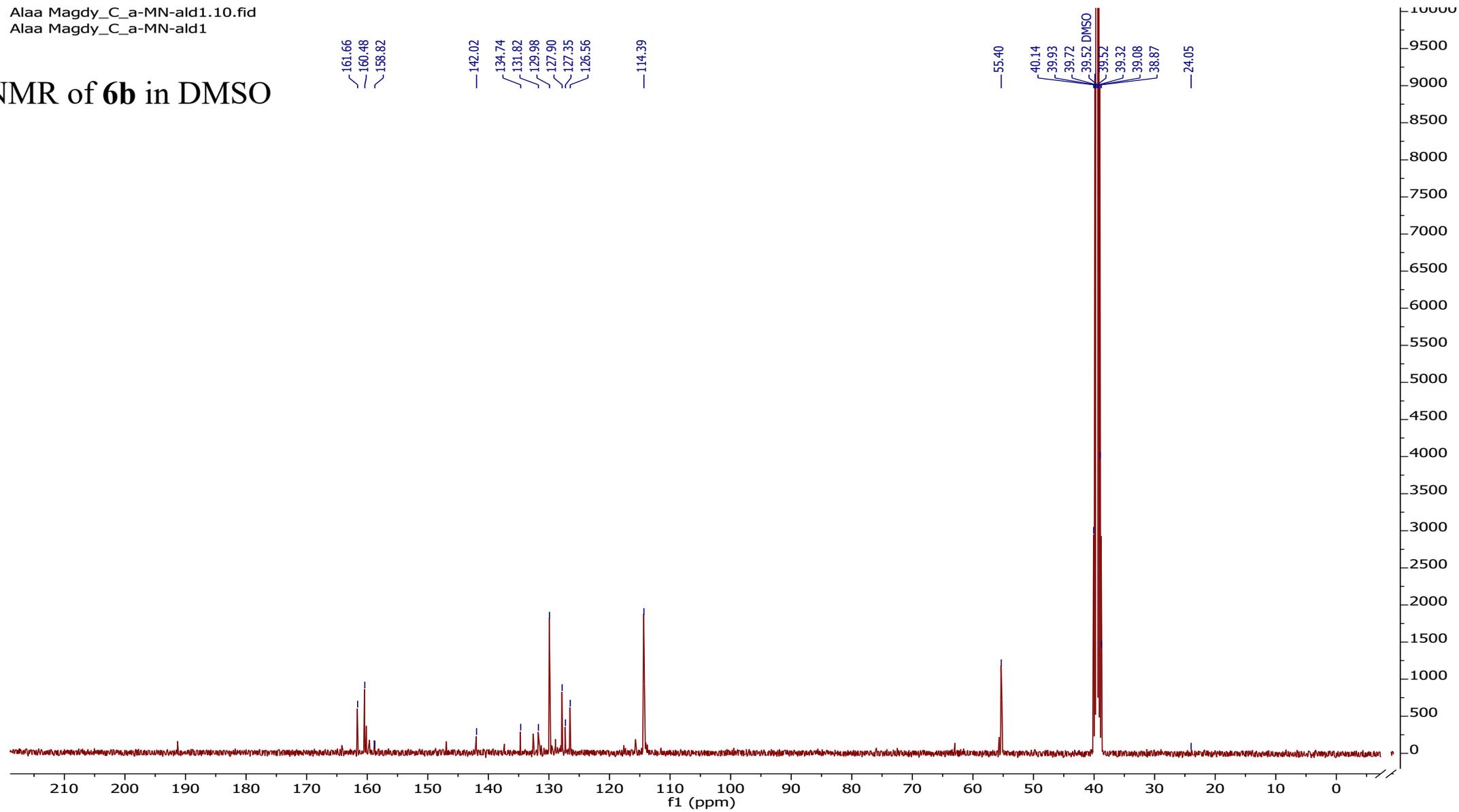
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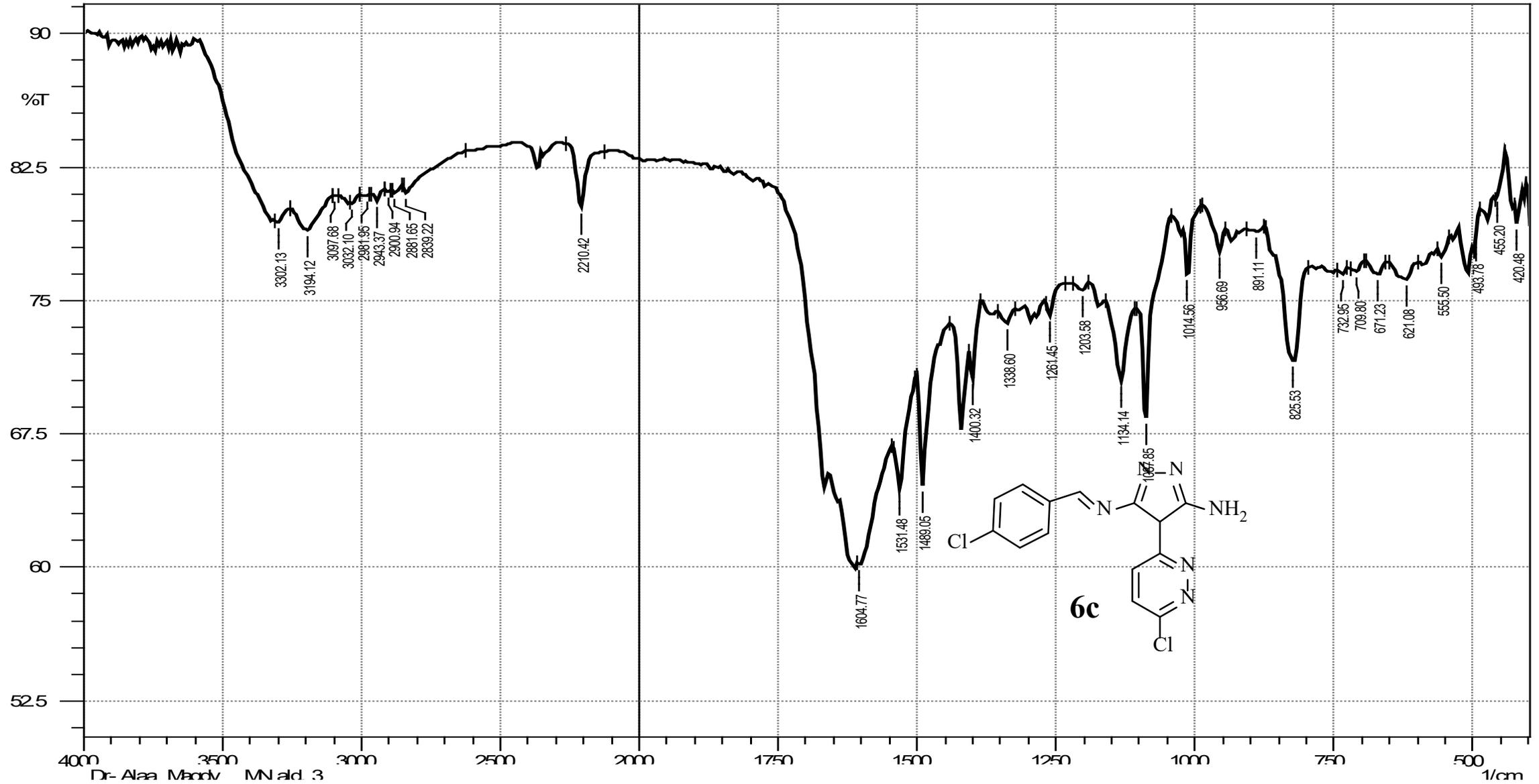


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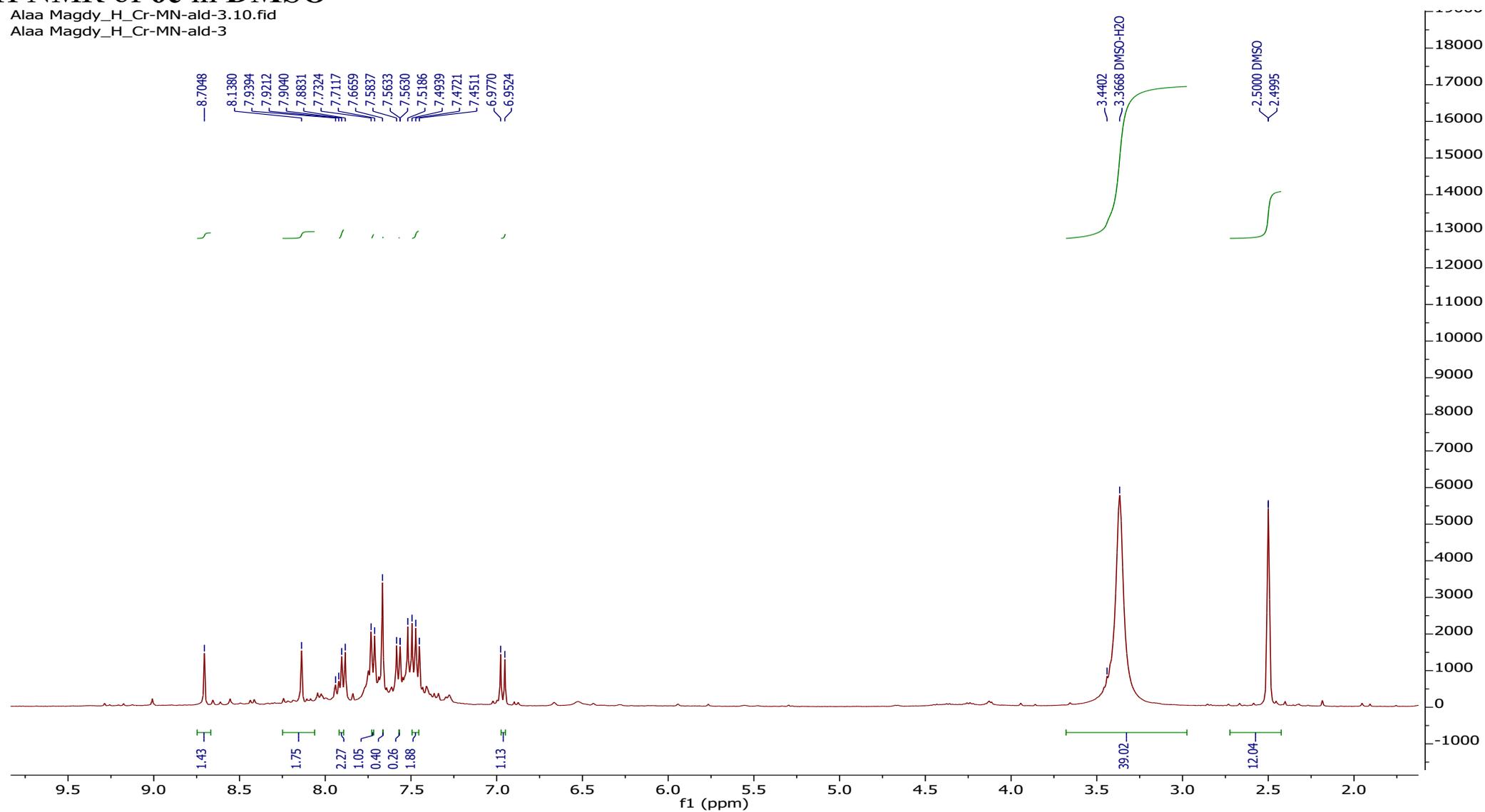


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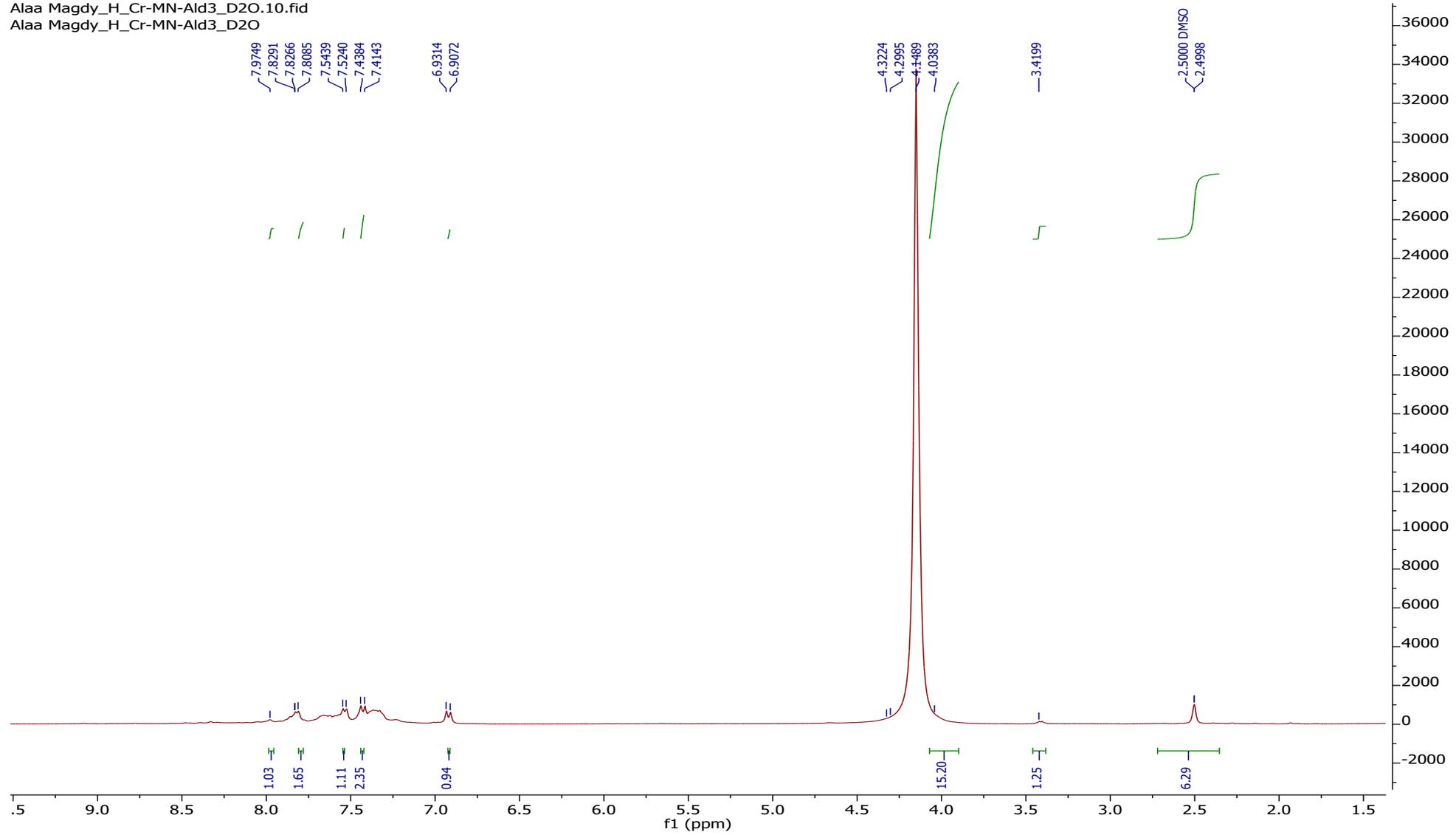
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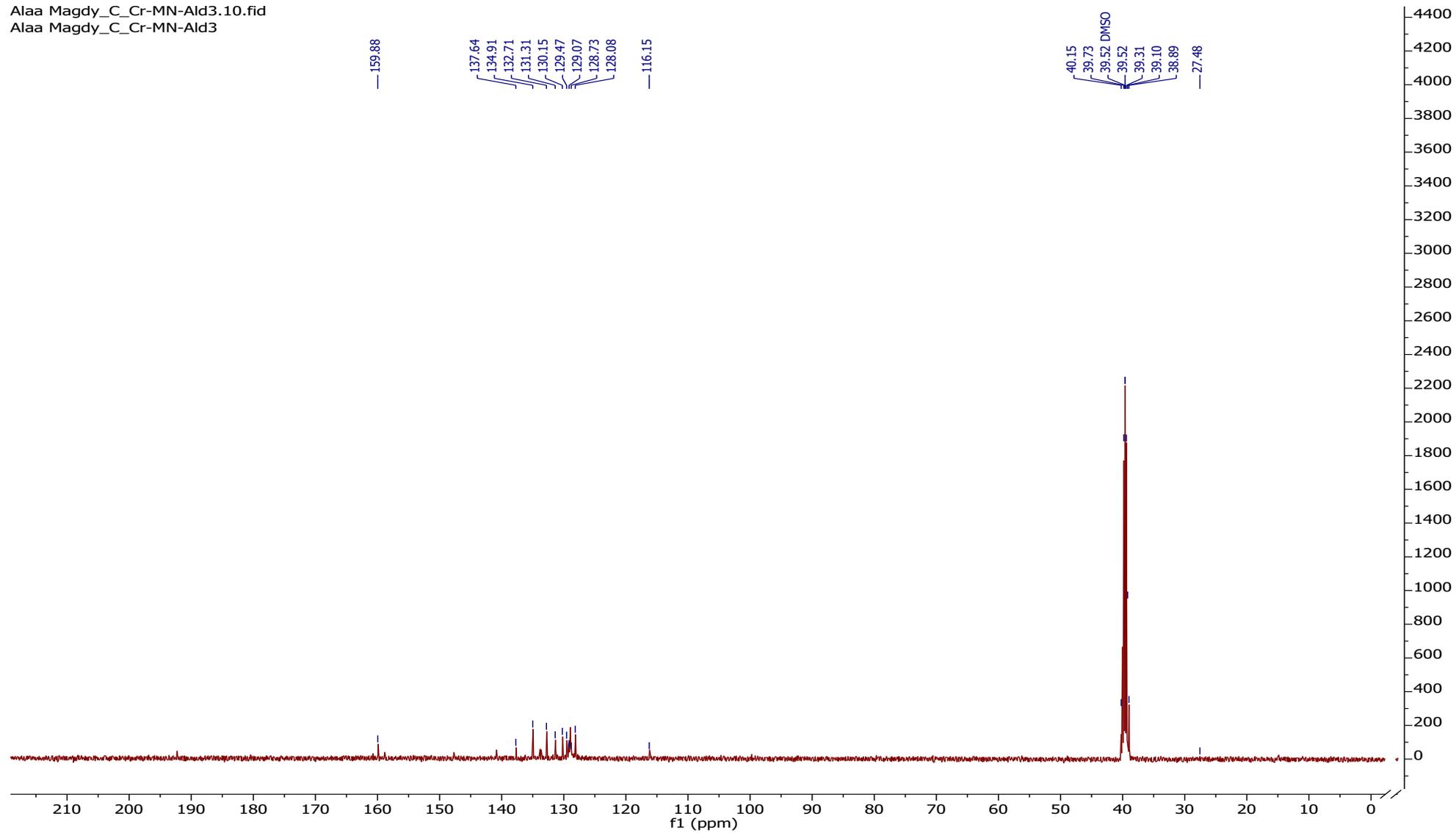
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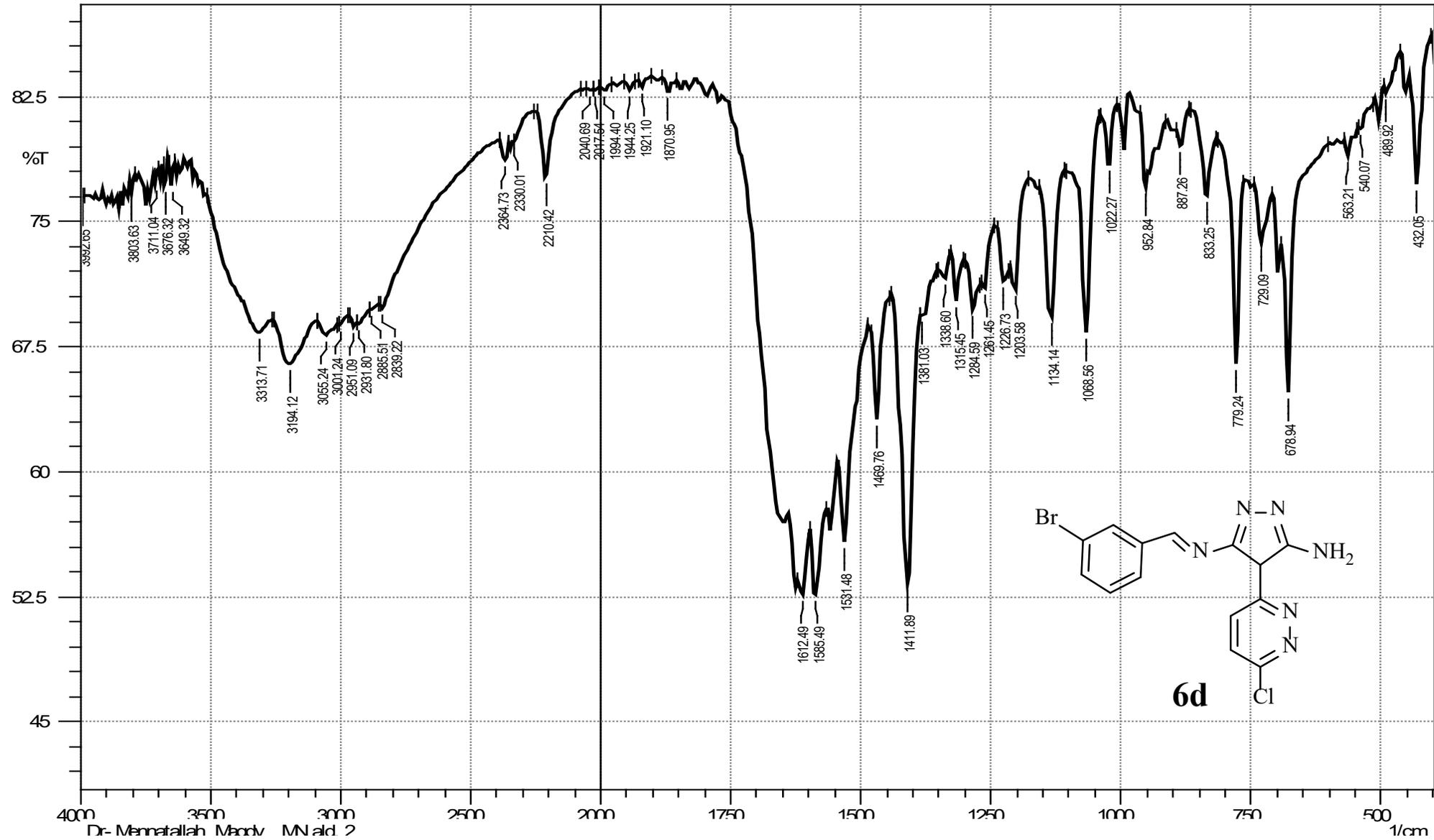


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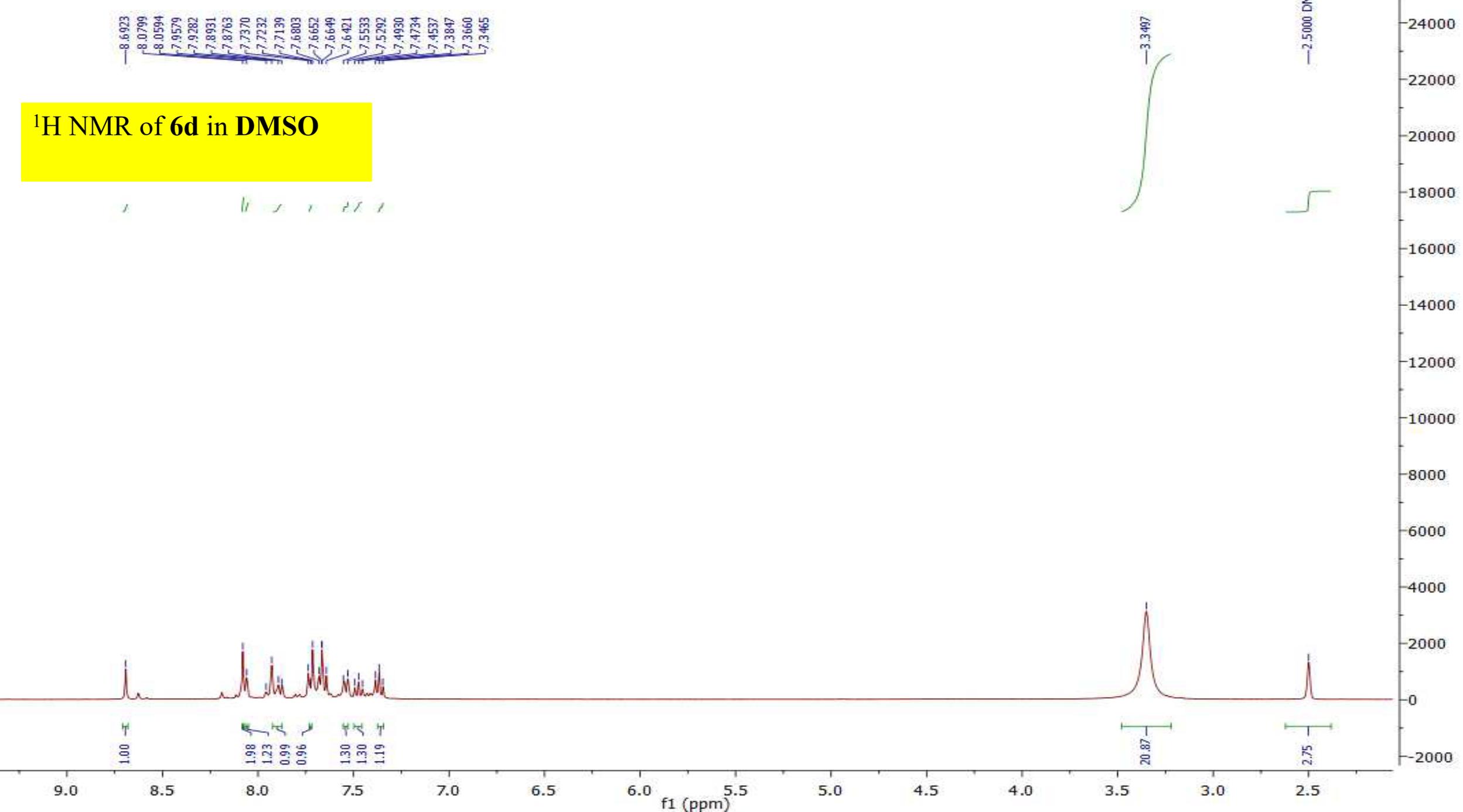
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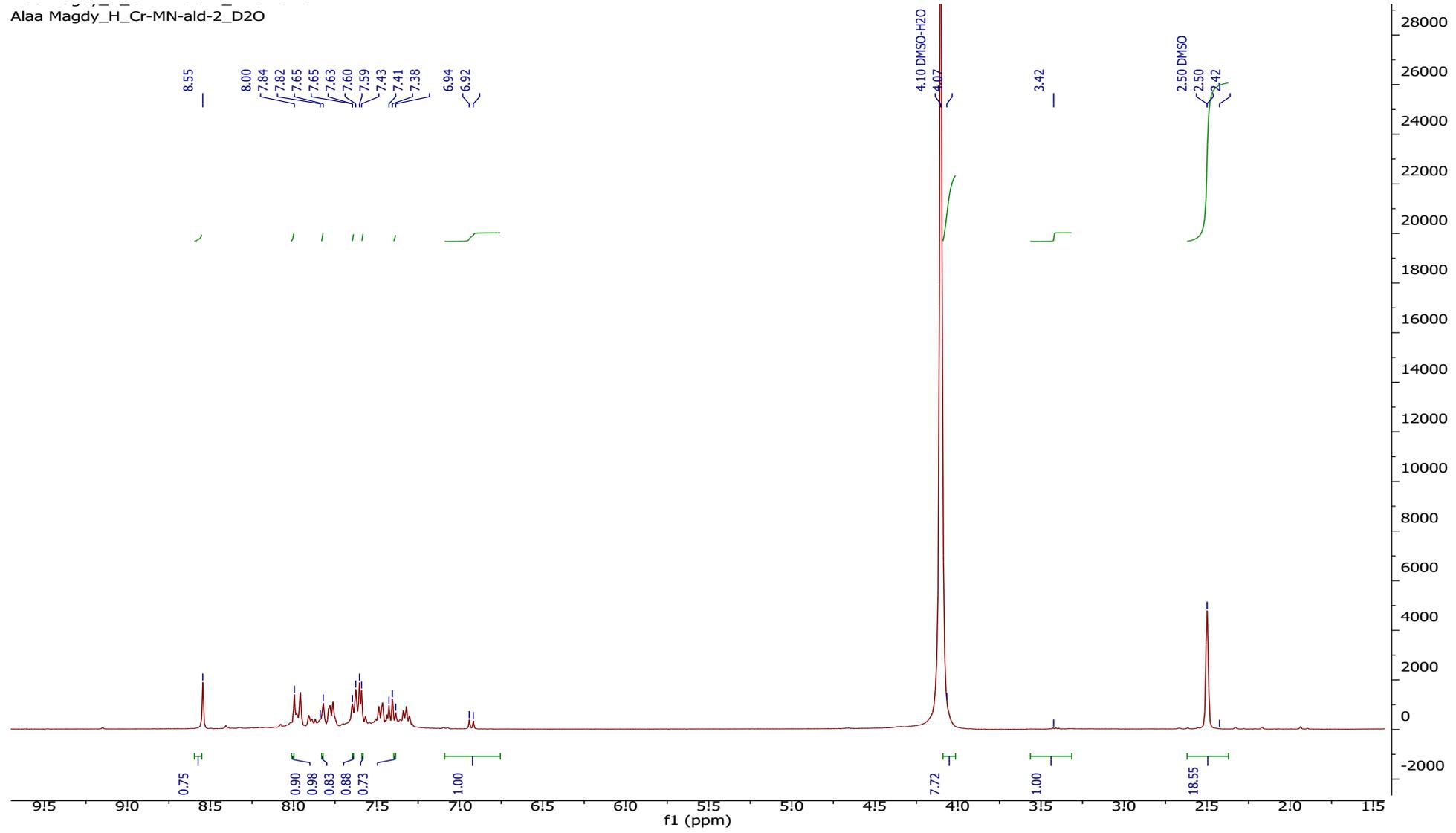


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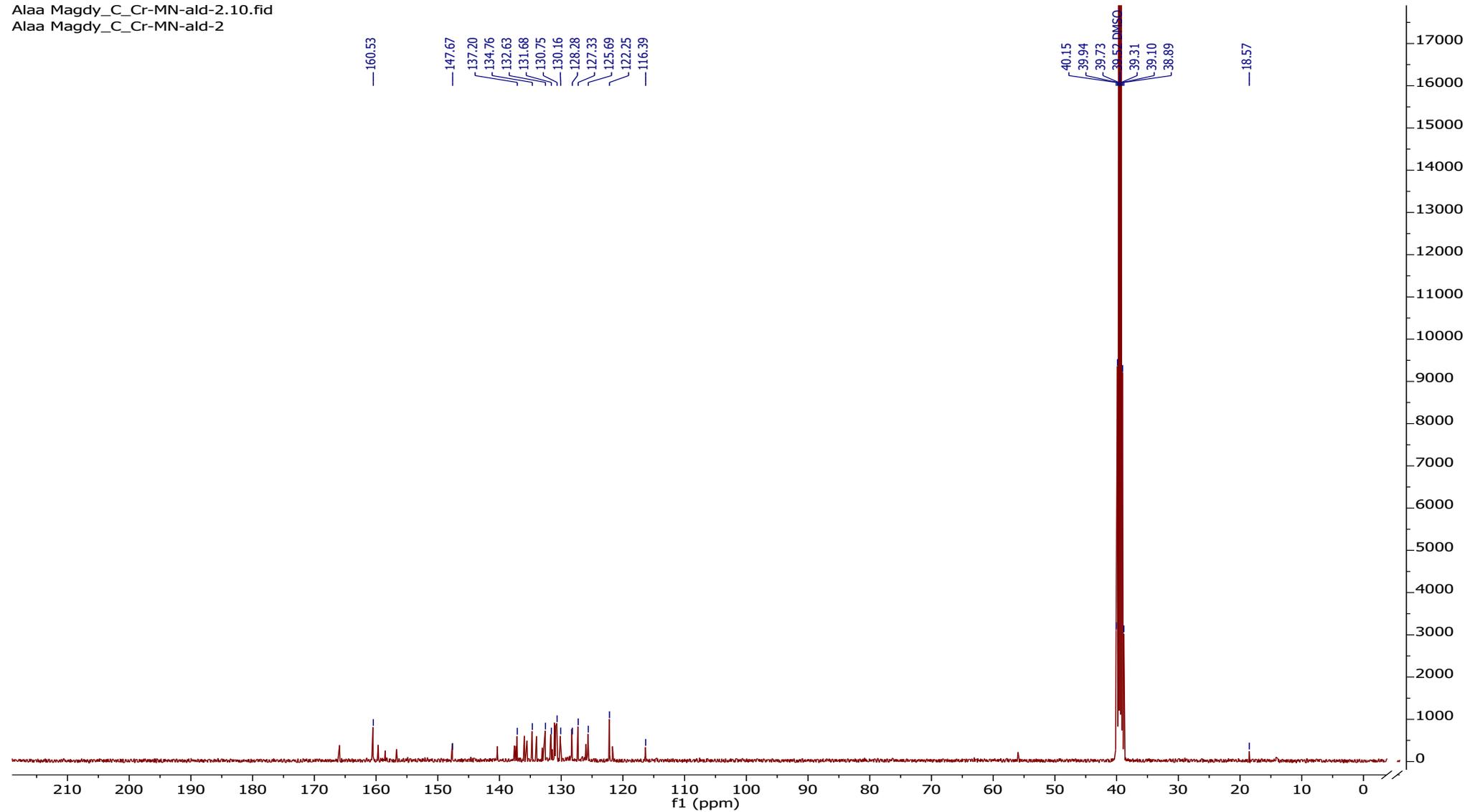
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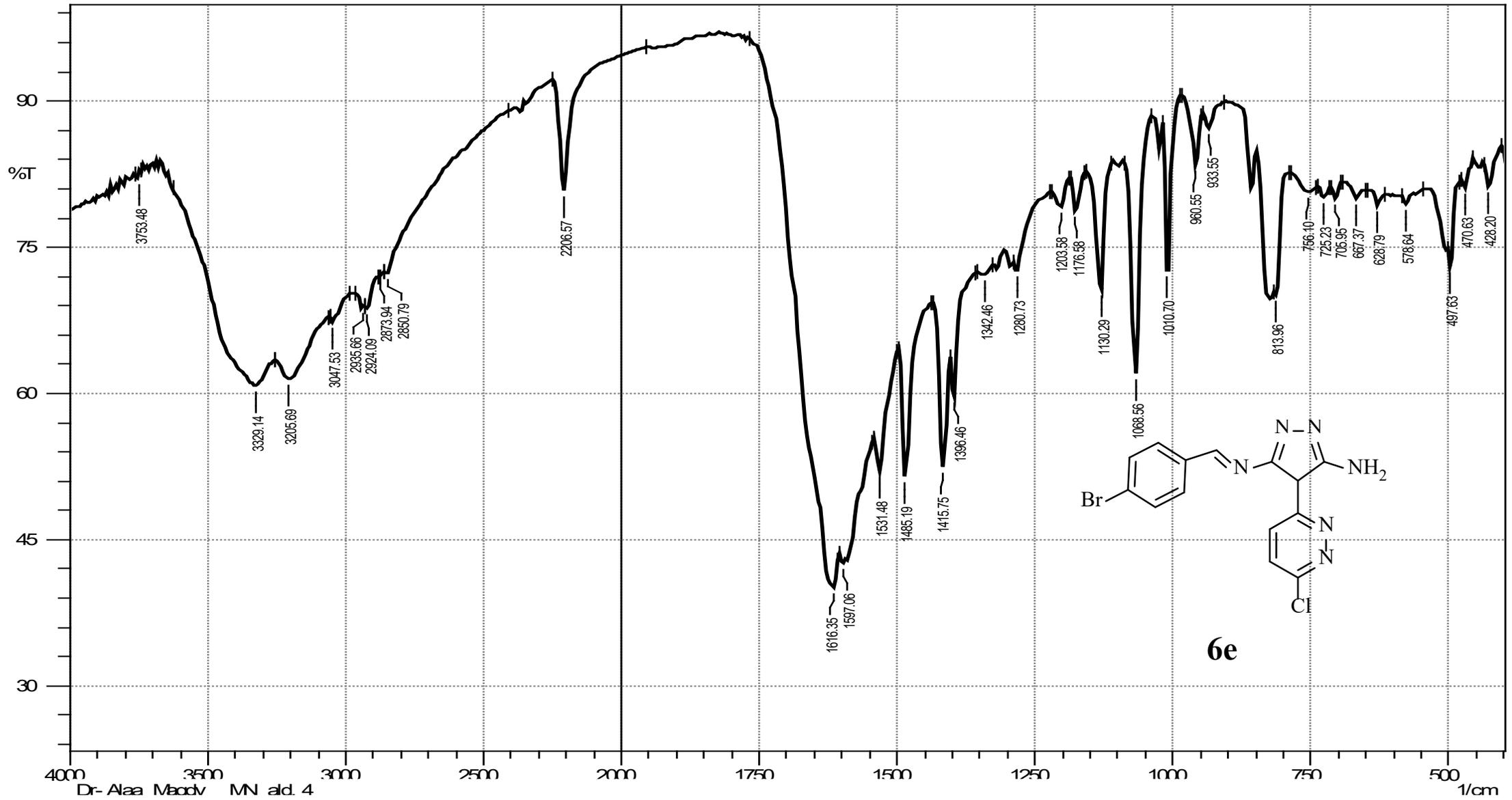


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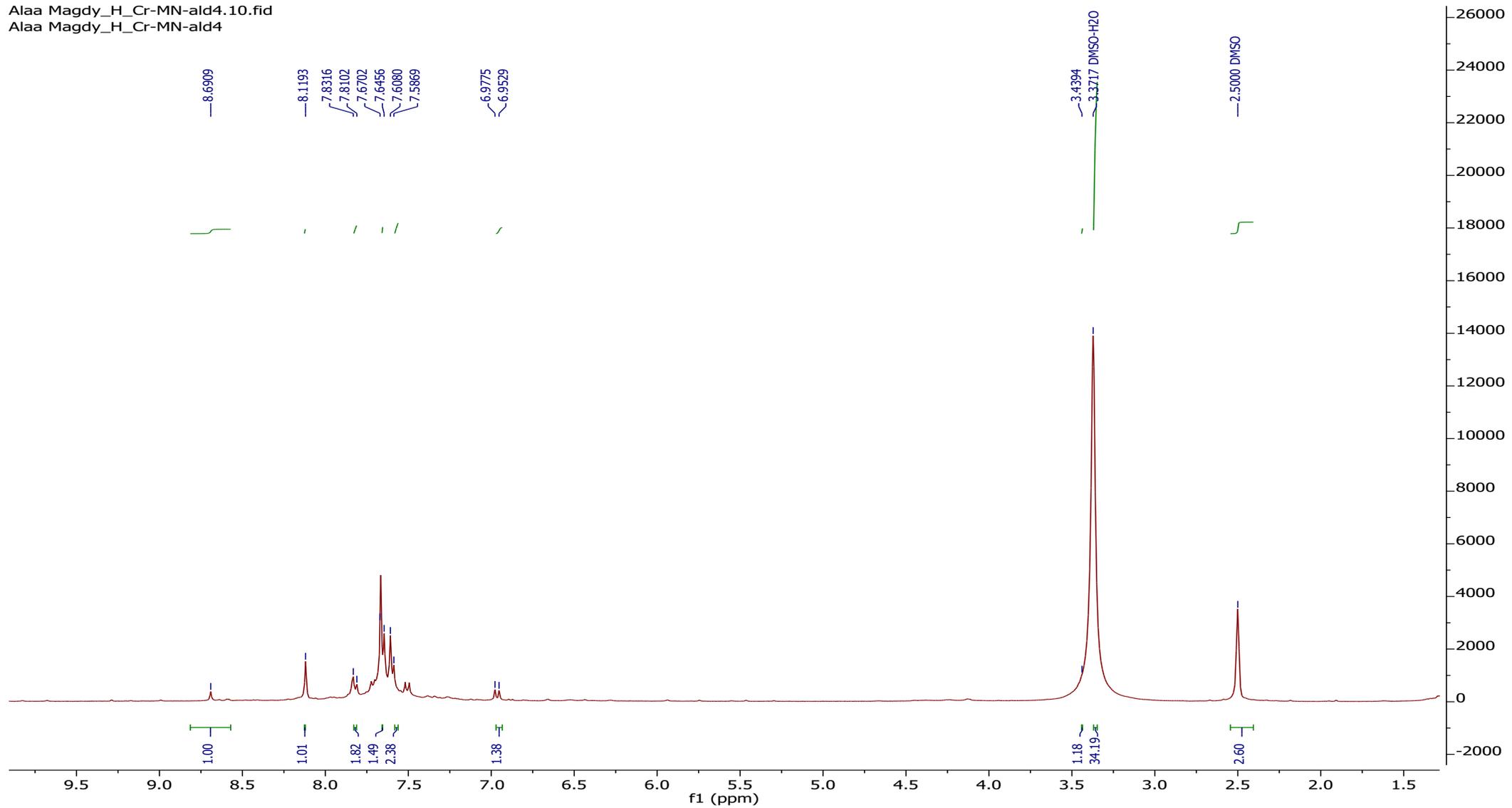


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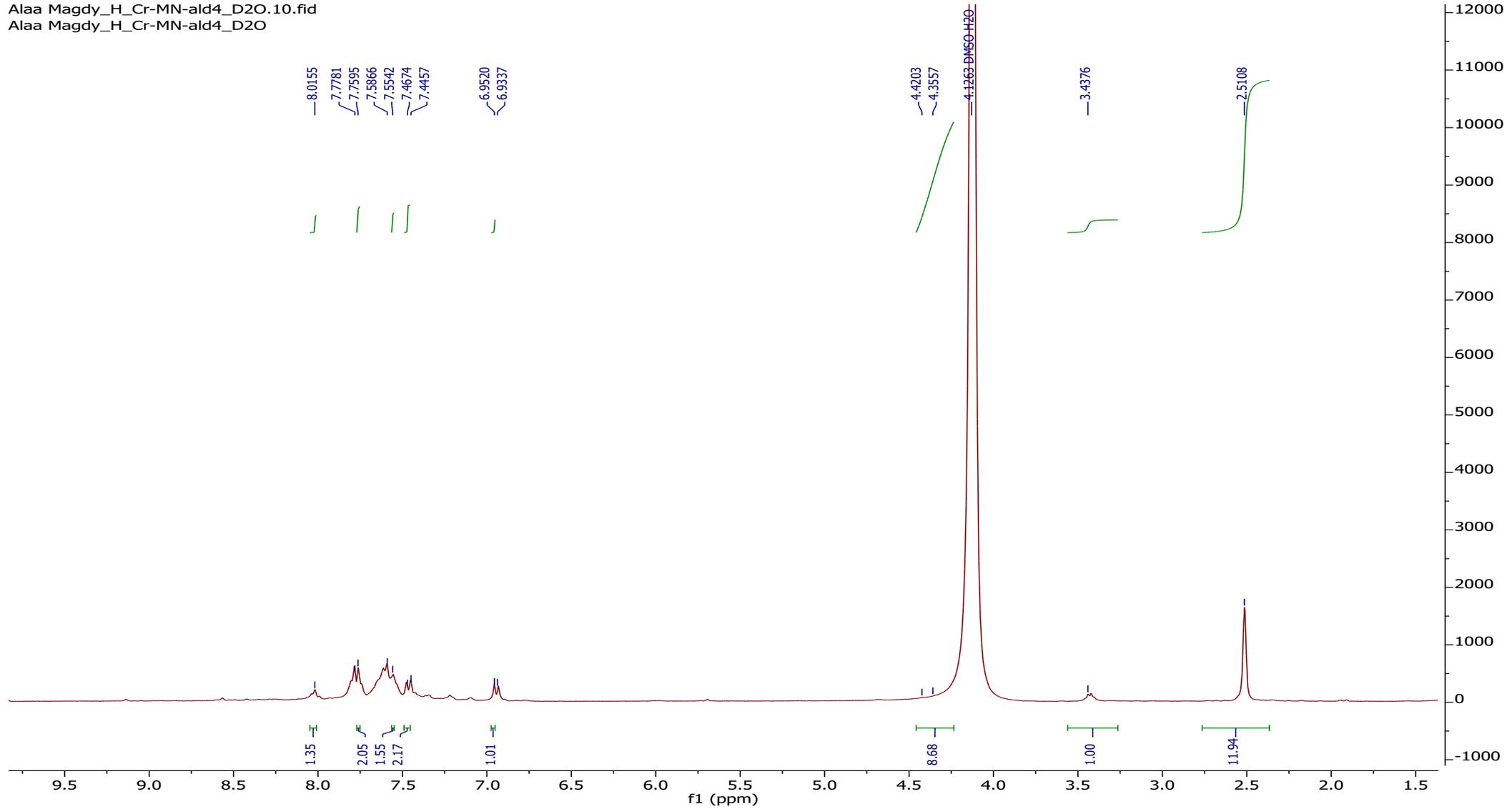
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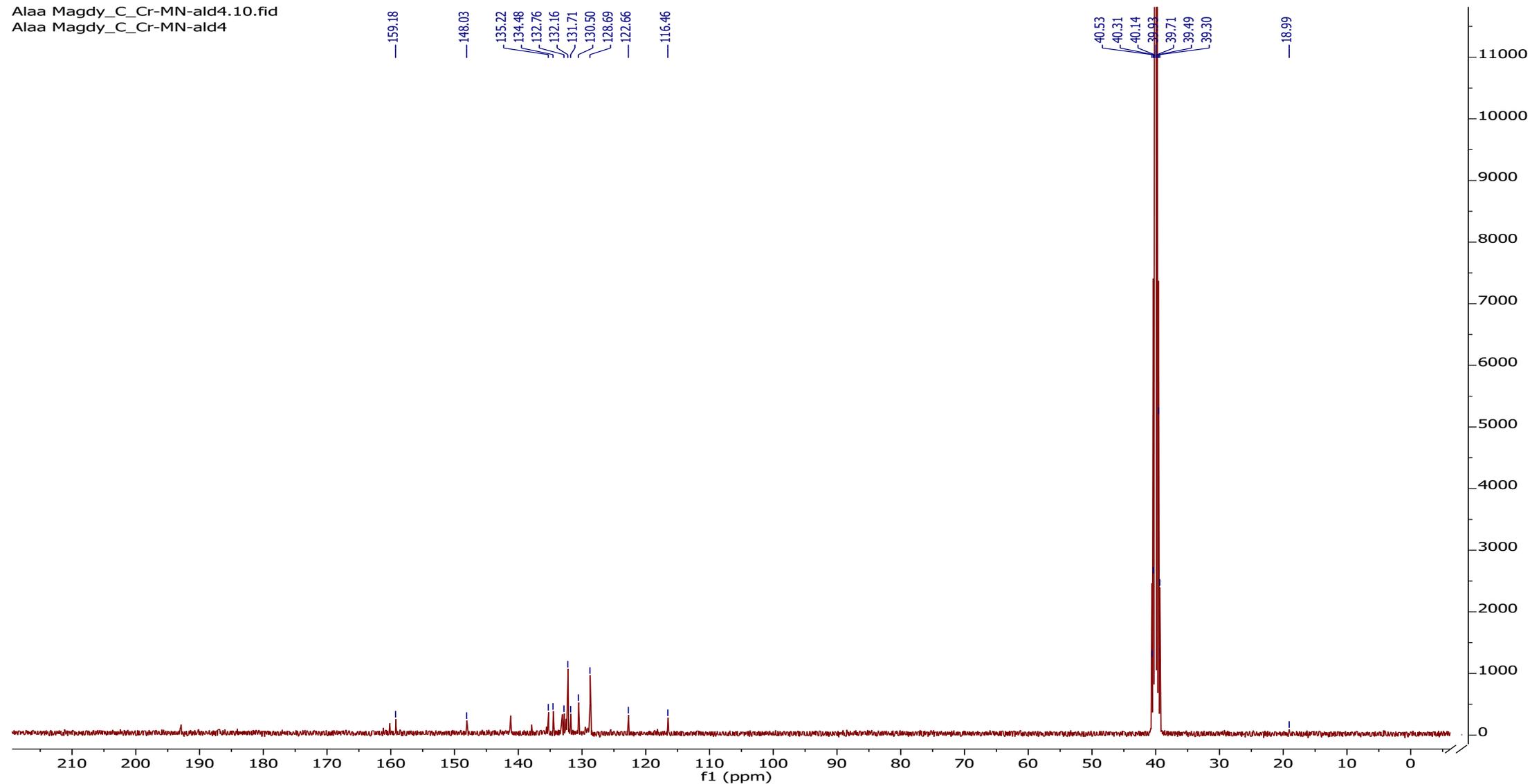
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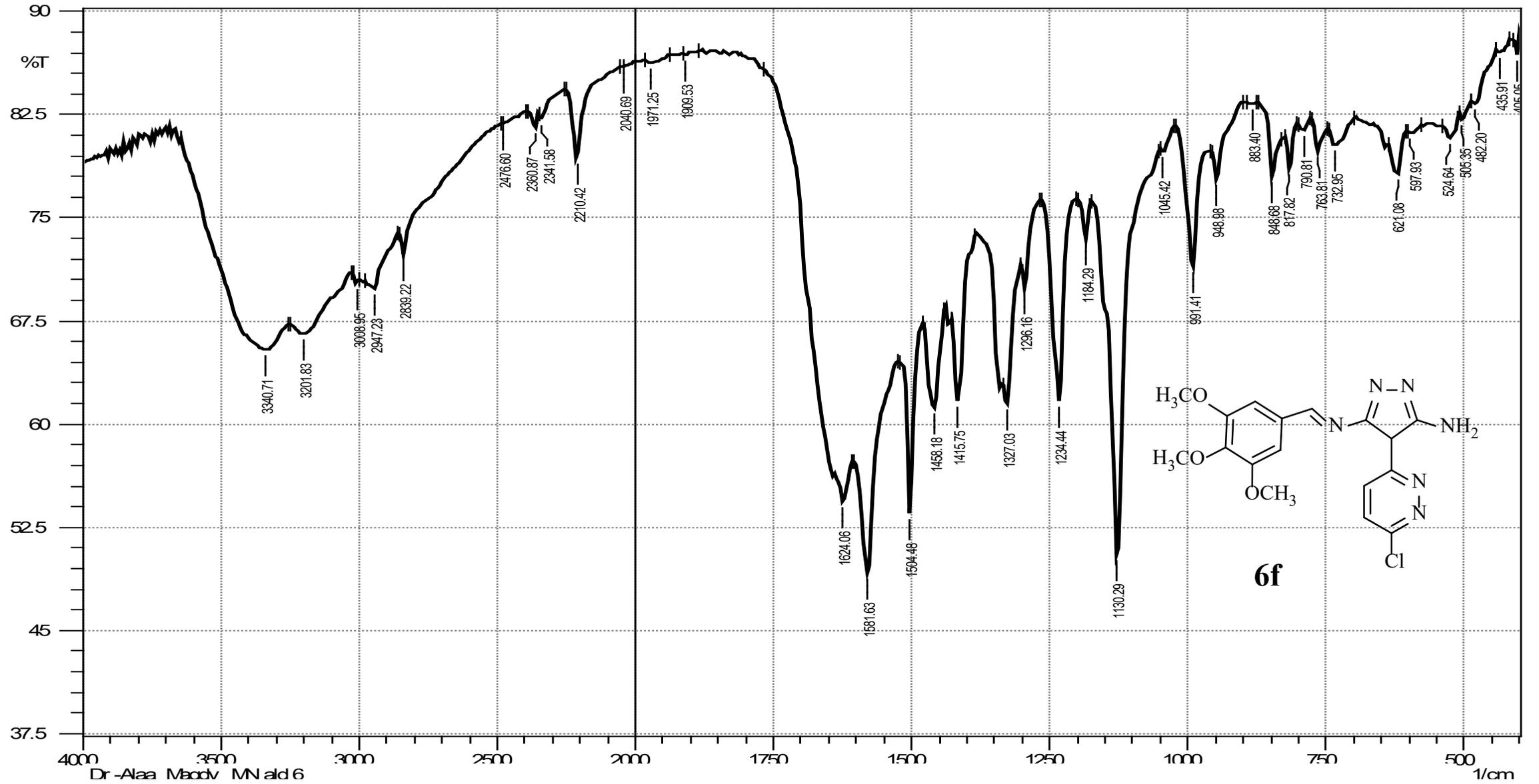


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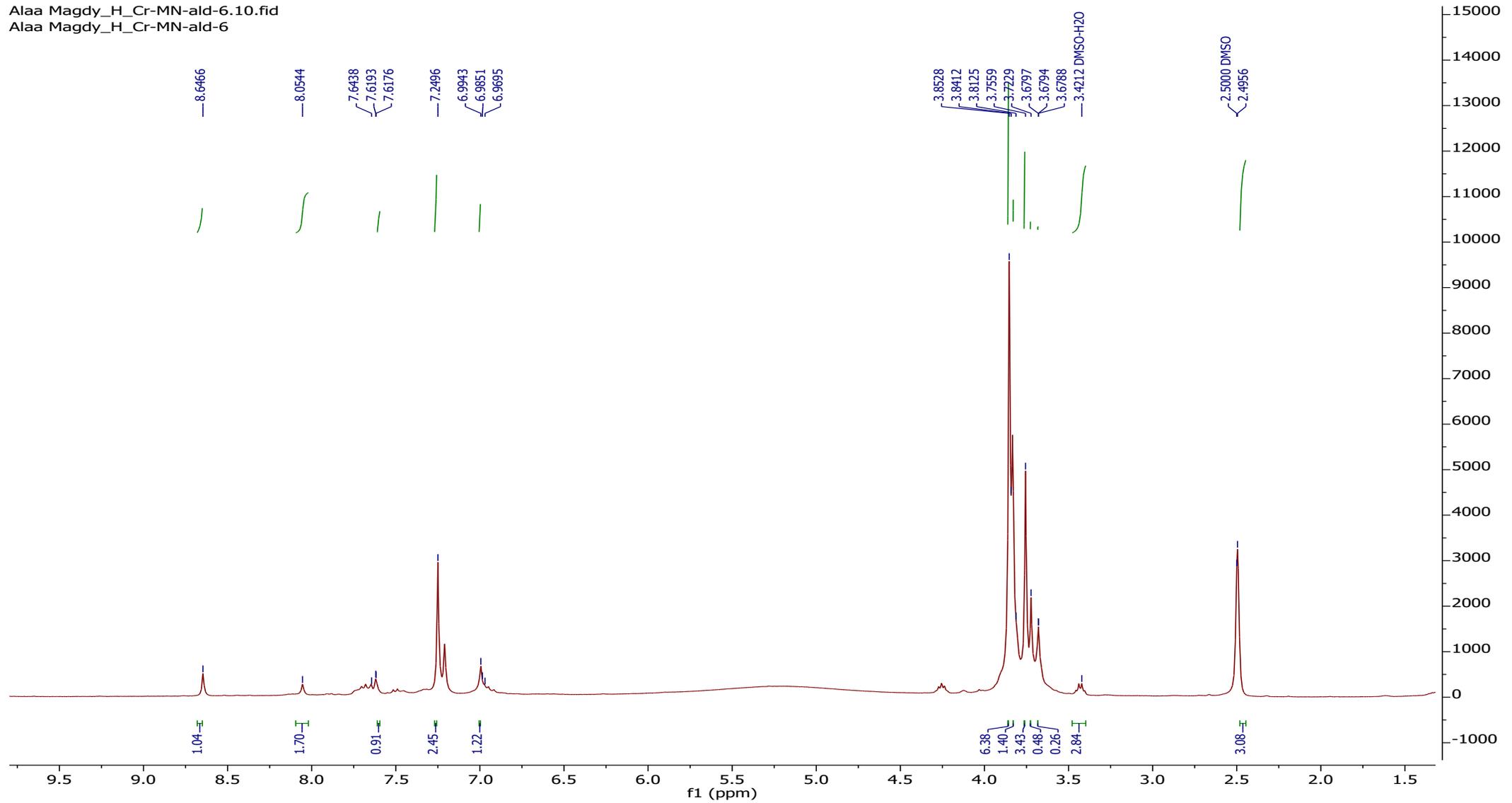


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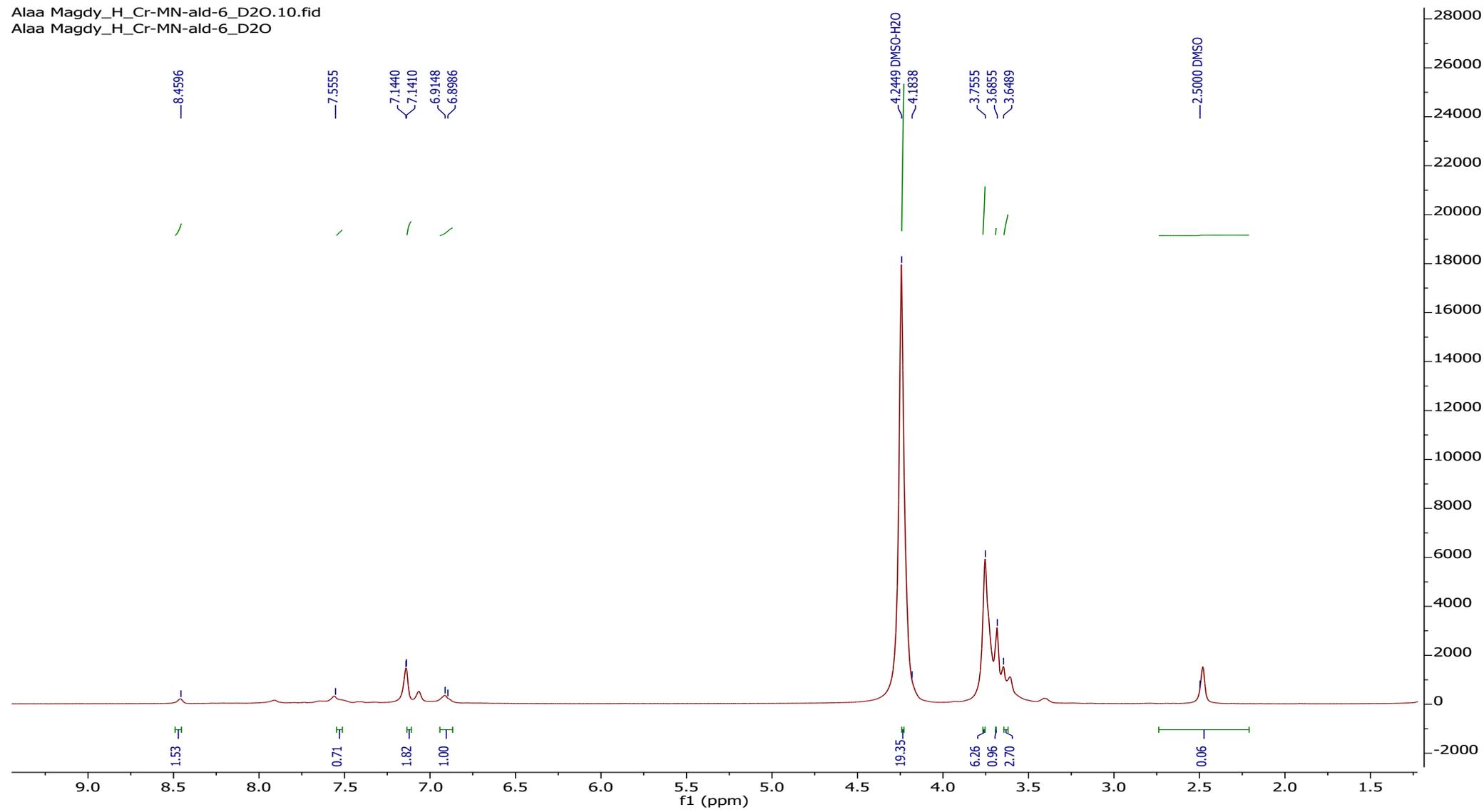
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