

# Engineering N-(2-pyridyl)aminoethyl alcohols as potential precursors of thermolabile protecting groups

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## (1) General remarks:

All reagents (analytical grade) were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. Hexane and dichloromethane were freshly distilled from CaH<sub>2</sub> and P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, respectively. All other solvents and liquid reagents were dried through storage over activated 3 Å (MeOH, MeCN) molecular sieves. <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C-NMR. The NMR spectra were recorded at 298 K on a Bruker Advance DRX 400 spectrometer operating at frequencies 400.13201 MHz (<sup>1</sup>H) and 100.62281 MHz (<sup>13</sup>C).

Liquid secondary ion mass spectrum (low and high resolution) was obtained on an AMD 604 two sector mass spectrometer of reverse B/E geometry, made by AMD Intectra (Germany). A CsI gun supplied the primary ion beam (12 keV, Cs<sup>+</sup>). The secondary ion beam was accelerated to 8 kV. The compound was dissolved in 3-nitrobenzyl alcohol (Aldrich)

**Table 1.** NMR analysis of five compounds

| Hydrogen at | <b>1</b>                  | <b>2</b>                | <b>3</b>  | <b>4</b>                         | <b>5</b>                    |
|-------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| C3          | 6.54 dd J=4.95, 7.03 Hz   | 6.44 dd J=7.09          | 6.47 dt Jt=7.23 Hz  | X                                | 6.49 m                      |
| C4          | 7.43 2xdd J=2.01, 7.03 Hz | 7.33 dd J=1.99, 7.09 Hz | 7.24 t Jt=7.23 Hz   | 8.27 d J=4.77Hz                  | 7.35 dd J= 1.96 Hz, 7.03 Hz |
| C5          | 6.58 dt J=1.38, 8.67 Hz   | 6.48 d J= 8.5 Hz        | 6.45 d Jd=8.6 Hz  | 6.56 t Jt=4.77 Hz                | 6.47 m                      |
| C6          | 8.06 dd J= 1.38, 4.86 Hz  | 7.94 dd J= 1.25, 5.05Hz | 7.97 dd Jd=1.16, 4.95 Hz  | 8.27 d J=4.77Hz                  | 7.96 dd J=1.85, 4.94 Hz     |
| C8          | 3.59 m 4H                 | 3.52 t J= 6.01 Hz       | 4.76 q Jq=4.4,  | 4.7 q J=3.8 Hz, J=7.6 Hz         | 4.19 t Jt= 5.7 Hz           |
| C7          |                           | 3.31 q J= 5.87, 6.01 Hz | 9a 3.52 ddd Jd=4.4, 6.5, 13.20 Hz<br>9b 3.28 t, d Jt=4.93 Hz, Jd=13.05 Hz | 3.54 ddd Jt=4.72 Hz<br>Jd=7.6 Hz | 3.51 q Jq=5.56 Hz           |

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|          |                        |        |           |                   |                   |
|----------|------------------------|--------|-----------|-------------------|-------------------|
| O1       | 4.79 m                 | 4.76 m | 5.68 m    | 5.5 d J= 4.06 Hz  |                   |
| N2       |                        | 6.42 m | 6.52 m1H  | 6.96 t J= 4.76 Hz | 6.67 t J= 5.64 Hz |
| aromatic | 7.30 m 2H<br>7.21 m 3H |        | 7.35 m 5H | 7.30 m 5H         |                   |

The X-ray data, collected at the DESY synchrotron, were of good quality and crystal structures were solved for all the reported compounds<sup>1</sup> (Table 4)

**Table 2.** X-ray experimental details of **1** to **5**.

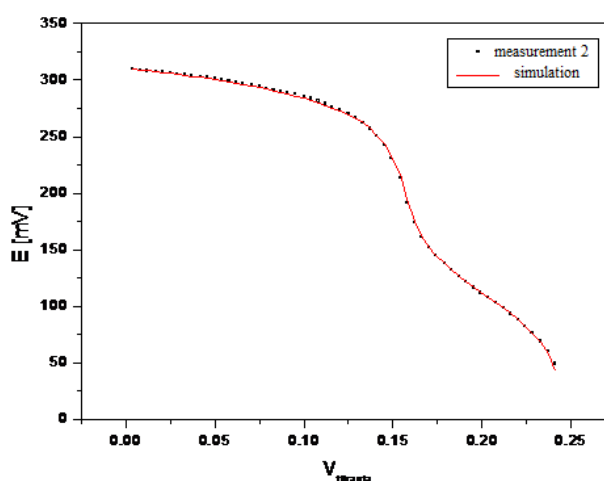
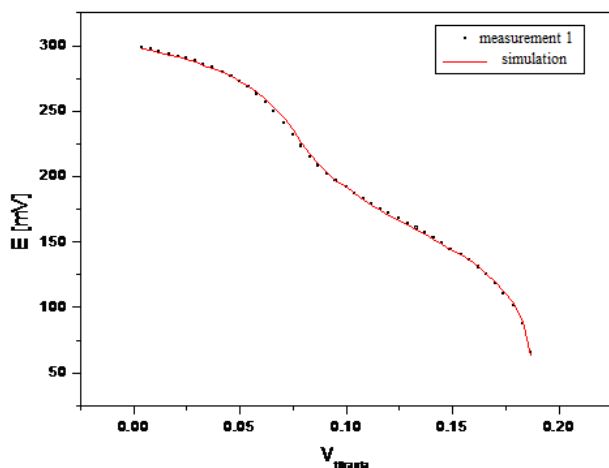
|                                    | <b>1</b>   | <b>2</b>  | <b>3</b>   | <b>4</b>   | <b>5</b>  |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|--|---|
| formula                            | C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O | C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>10</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O | C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>14</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O | C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>13</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O | C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>18</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>3</sub> |
| fw                                 | 228.29   | 138.17  | 214.26   | 215.25   | 302.33  |
| crystal system                     | monoclinic                                       | orthorhombic                                    | orthorhombic                                     | monoclinic                                       | monoclinic  |
| space group                        | P2 <sub>1</sub> /n                               | Pca2 <sub>1</sub>                               | P2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub>    | P2 <sub>1</sub> /c                               | C2/c  |
| a, Å                               | 10.756(2)  | 8.841(2)  | 6.048(1)   | 5.605(1)   | 32.33(7)  |
| b, Å                               | 5.926(1)   | 9.053(2)  | 7.315(2)   | 20.972(4)  | 5.791(1)  |
| c, Å                               | 18.840(4)  | 8.630(2)  | 24.334(5)  | 9.500(2)   | 16.392(3)   |
| β, deg                             | 99.58(3)   |   |  | 108.1(3)   | 104.42(3)   |
| V, Å <sup>3</sup>                  | 1184.1(4)  | 690.7(2)  | 1076.6(4)  | 1061.4(4)  | 2973.7(10)  |
| wavelength, Å                      | 0.81620  | 0.8125  | 0.81620  | 0.81620  | 0.80800   |
| Z                                  | 4  | 4   | 4  | 4  | 8   |
| Resolution range (Å)               | *20.0-0.76 (0.77-0.76)                           | 10-0.75 (0.76-0.75)                             | 20.0-0.75 (0.76-0.75)                            | 20.0-0.75 (0.76-0.75)                            | 10.0-0.75 (0.76-0.75)   |
| D <sub>c</sub> , g/cm <sup>3</sup> | 1.281  | 1.329   | 1.322  | 1.347  | 1.351   |
| μ, cm <sup>-1</sup>                | 0.082  | 0.092   | 0.085  | 0.089  | 0.097   |
| R <sub>merge</sub> <sup>†</sup>    | 0.050 (0.135)                                    | 0.032 (0.039)                                   | 0.037 (0.095)                                    | 0.028 (0.057)                                    | 0.045 (0.086)   |
| R <sub>1</sub> (obs. data)         | 0.0449   | 0.0435  | 0.0496   | 0.0473   | 0.0451  |
| wR <sub>2</sub> (obs. data)        | 0.1207   | 0.1213  | 0.1389   | 0.1328   | 0.1283  |
| independ refs                      | 2806   | 906   | 1566   | 2574   | 3622  |
| refs I > 2σ(I)                     | 2732   | 885   | 1524   | 2522   | 3471  |

\* Values in parenthesis are for the last resolution shell.

<sup>†</sup>  $R_{\text{merge}} = \sum_{hkl} \sum_i |I_i(hkl) - \langle I(hkl) \rangle| / \sum_{hkl} \sum_i I_i(hkl)$ , where  $I_i(hkl)$  and  $\langle I(hkl) \rangle$  are the observed individual and mean intensities of a reflection with the indices  $hkl$ , respectively,  $\sum_i$  is the sum over  $i$  measurements of a reflection with the indices  $hkl$ , and  $\sum_{hkl}$  is the sum over all reflections.

<sup>1</sup> Sheldrick GM. *Acta Cryst.*, A64, 112-122, 2008

Potentiometric measurements carried out in acetonitrile/water (70%:30%)

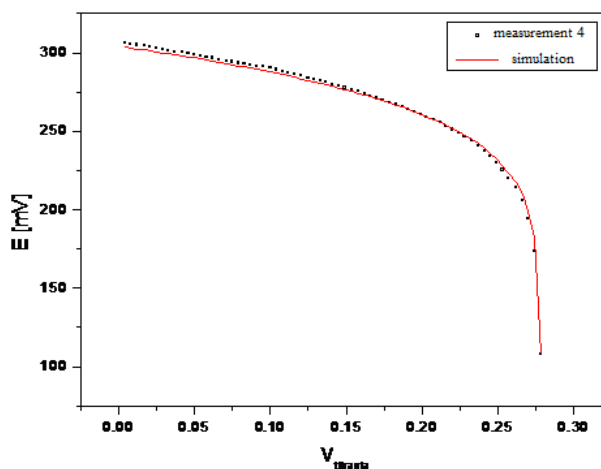
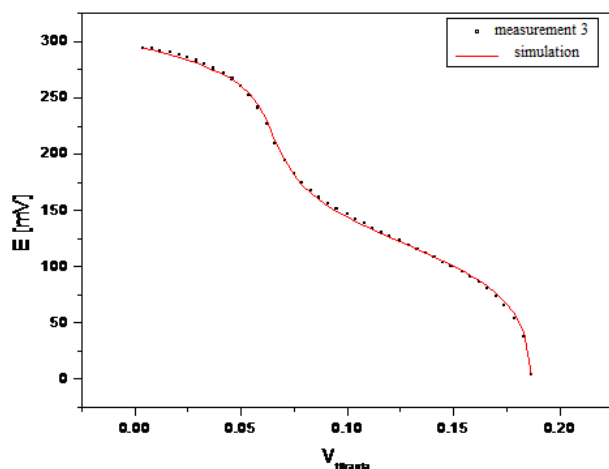


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The solution was titrated contained:  
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**pKa = 5,39 ± 0,02**

**pKa = 6,28 ± 0,02**



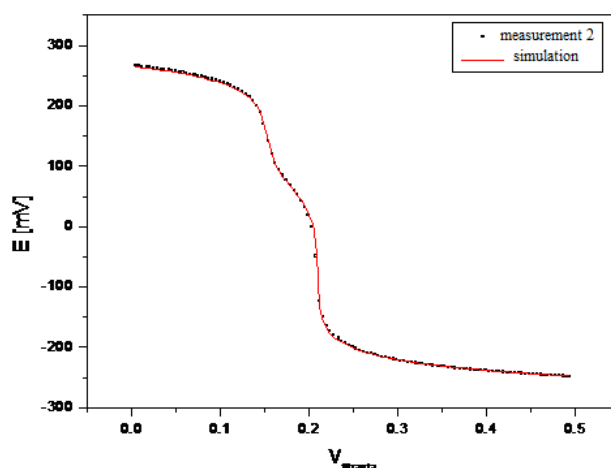
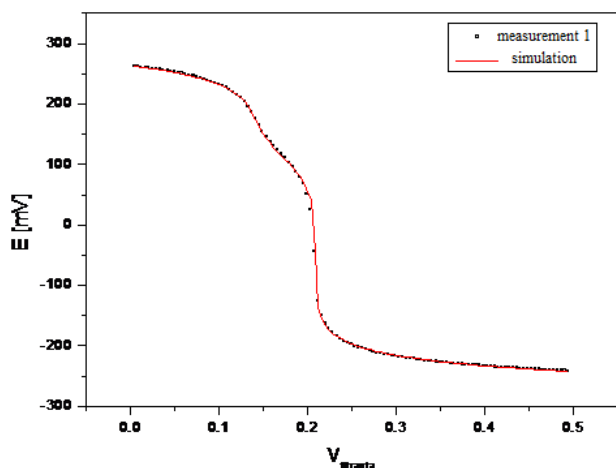
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The solution was titrated contained:  
 2,0 ml : **4** o  $c = 1,35 \cdot 10^{-3}$  M and methanesulfonic  
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**pKa = 6,08 ± 0,02**

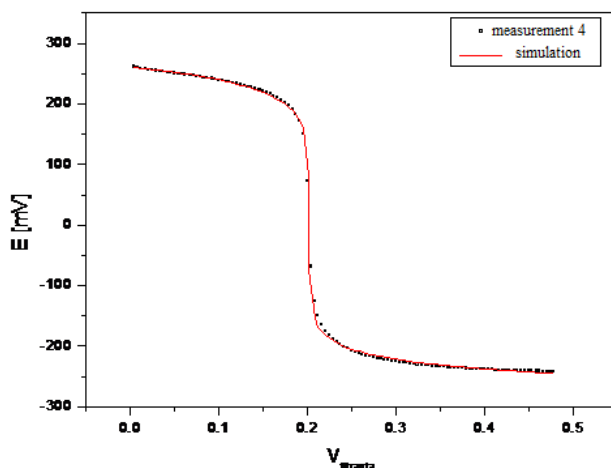
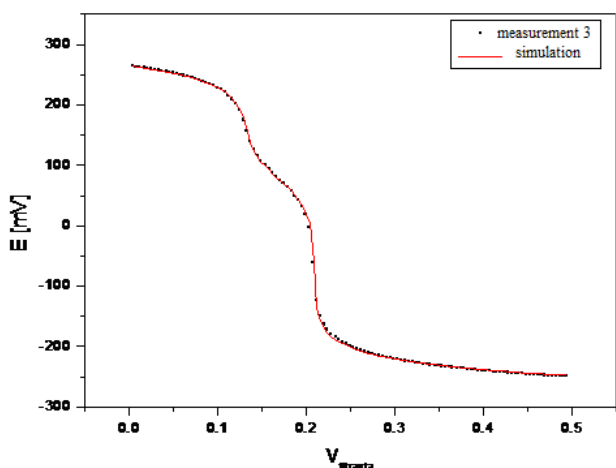
**pKa = 3,26 ± 0,06**

Potentiometric measurements carried out in methanol/water (50%:50%)



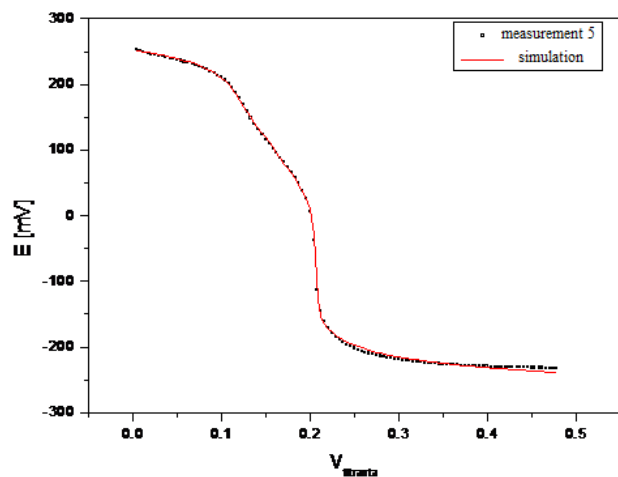
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**pKa = 5,44 ± 0,02**

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 Roztwór NaOH  $c = 3.04 \cdot 10^{-2}$  M  
**pKa = 6,24 ± 0,02**



The solution was titrated contained:  
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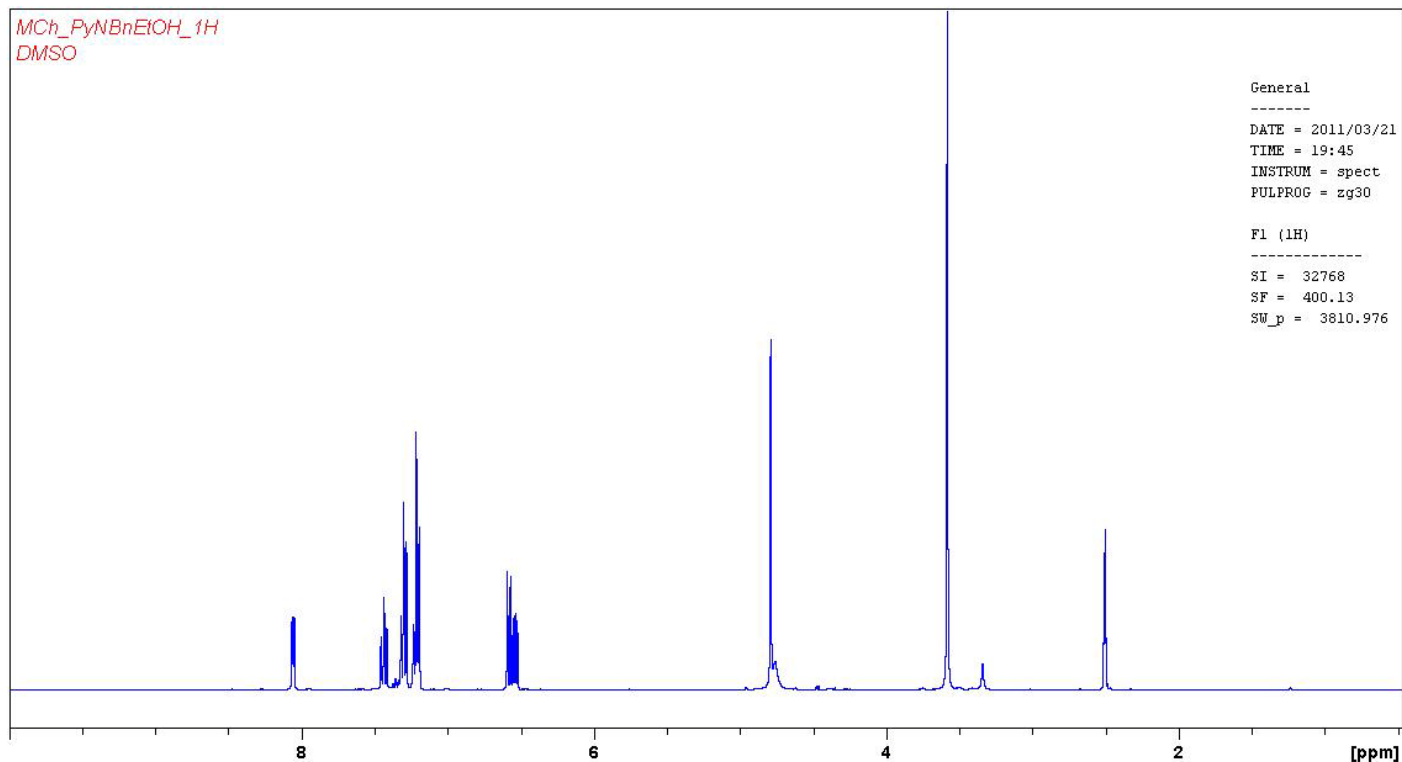
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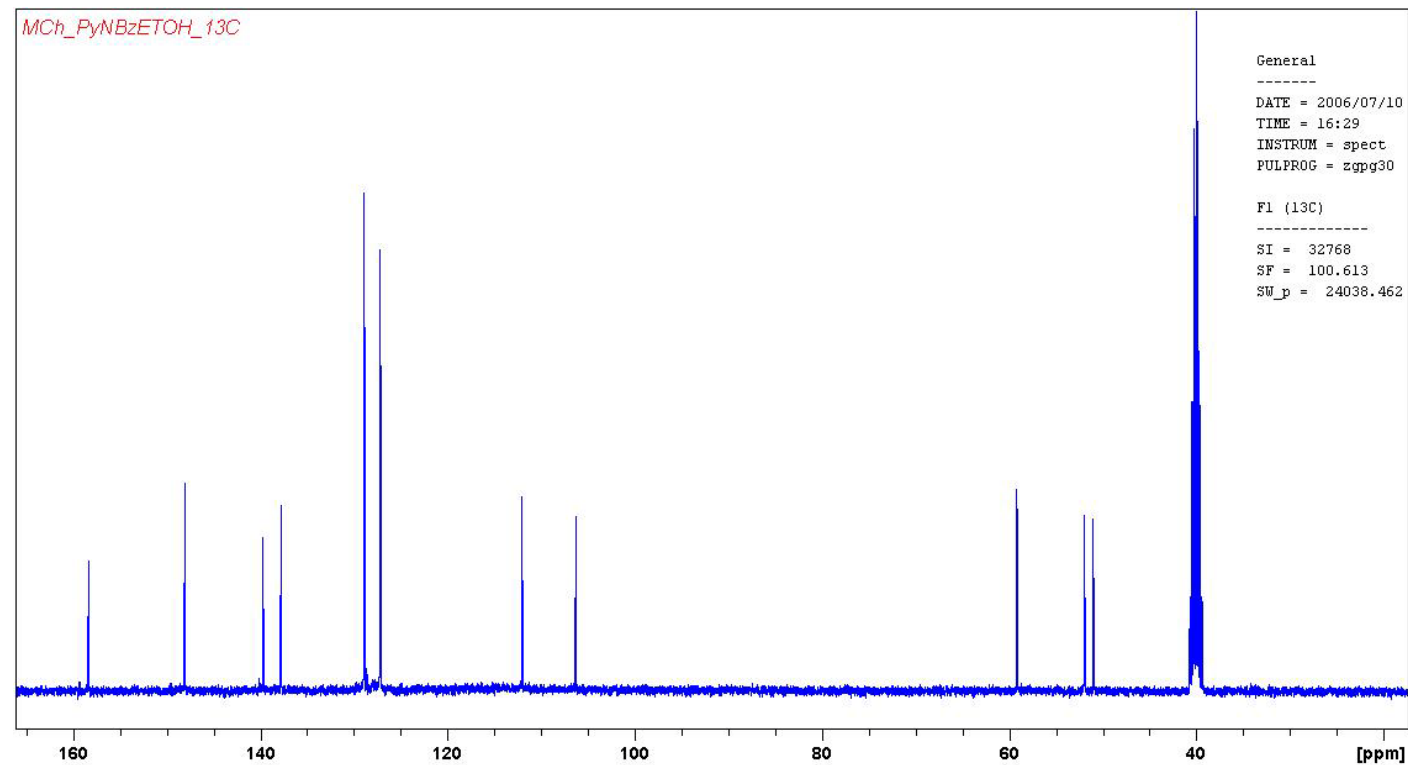
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## Compound 1

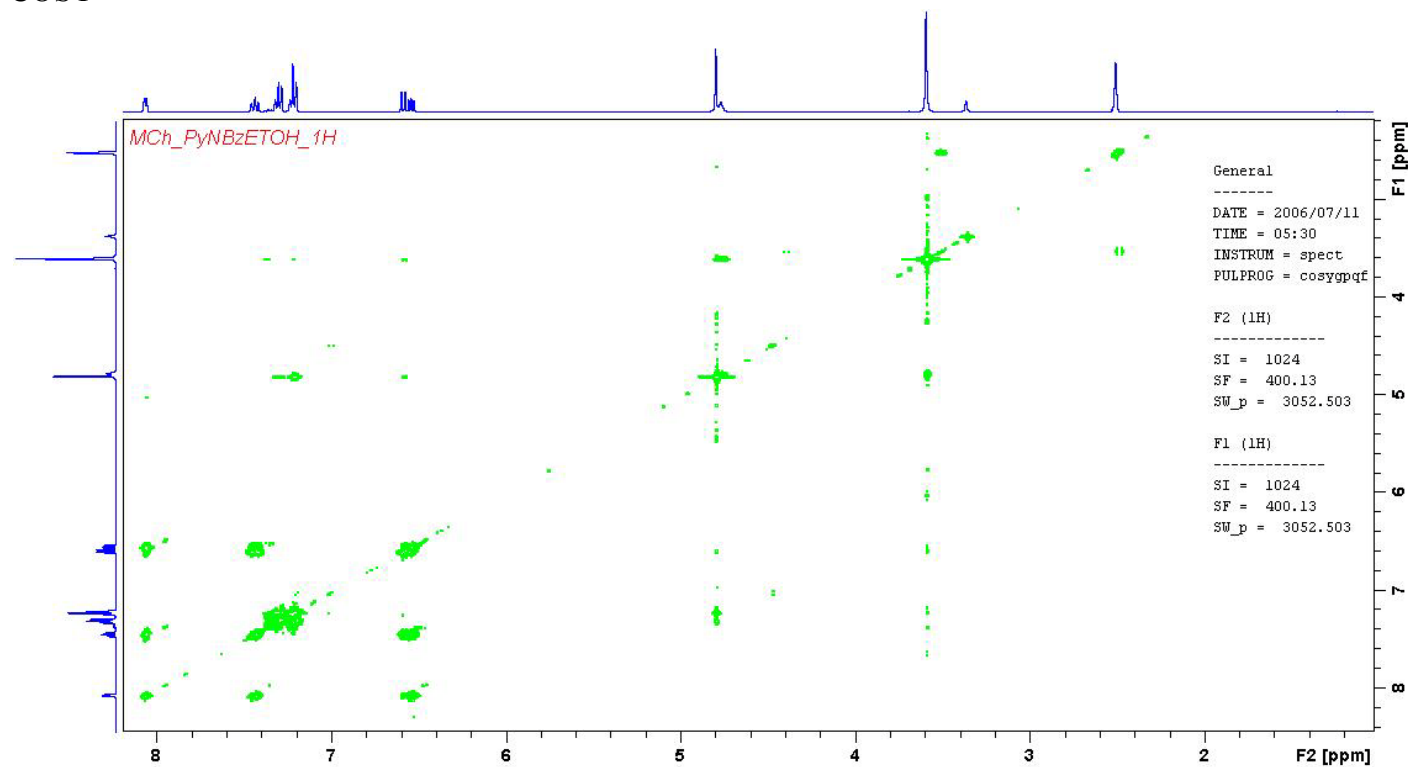
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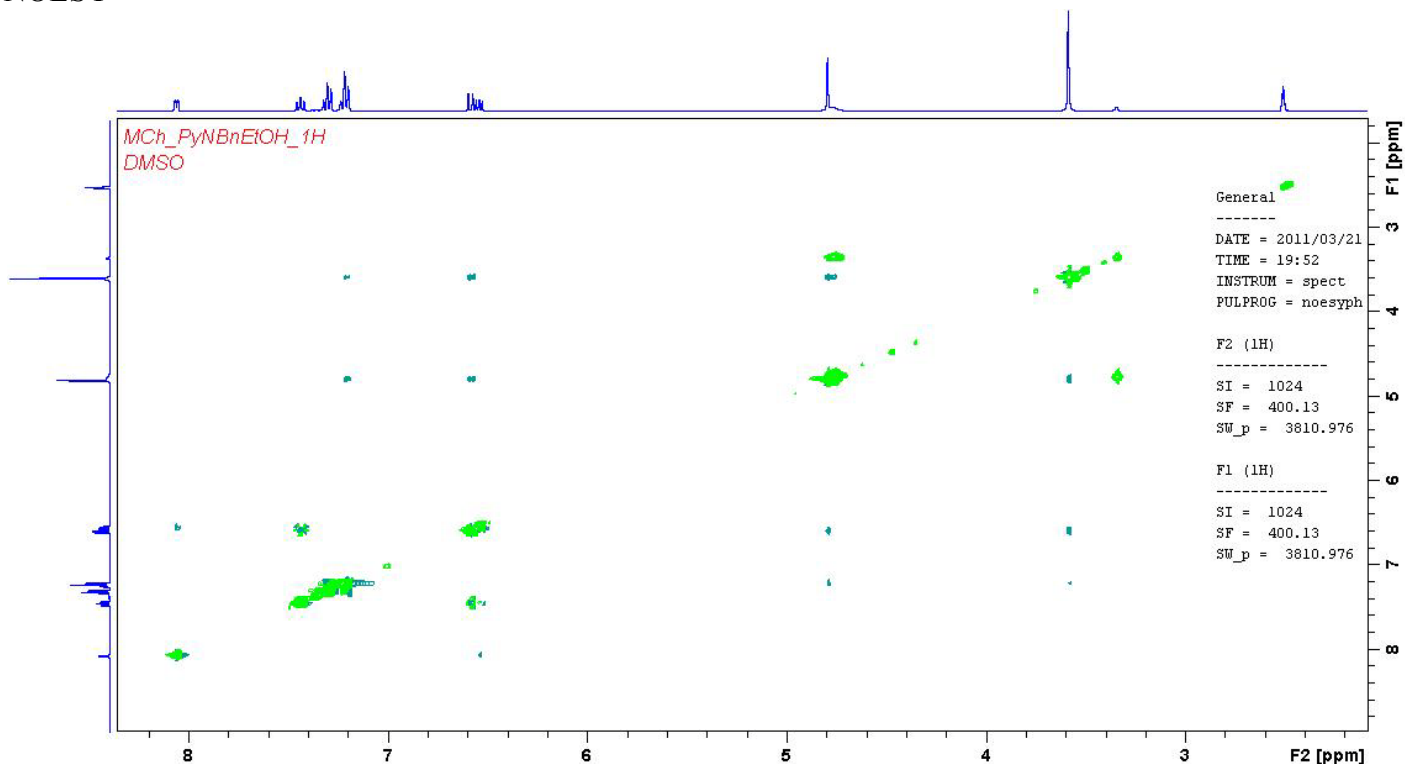
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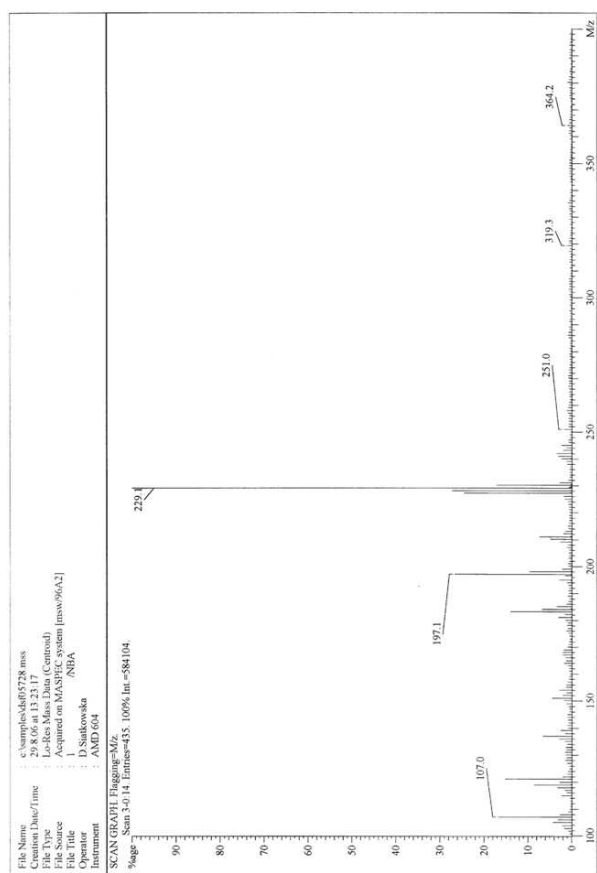
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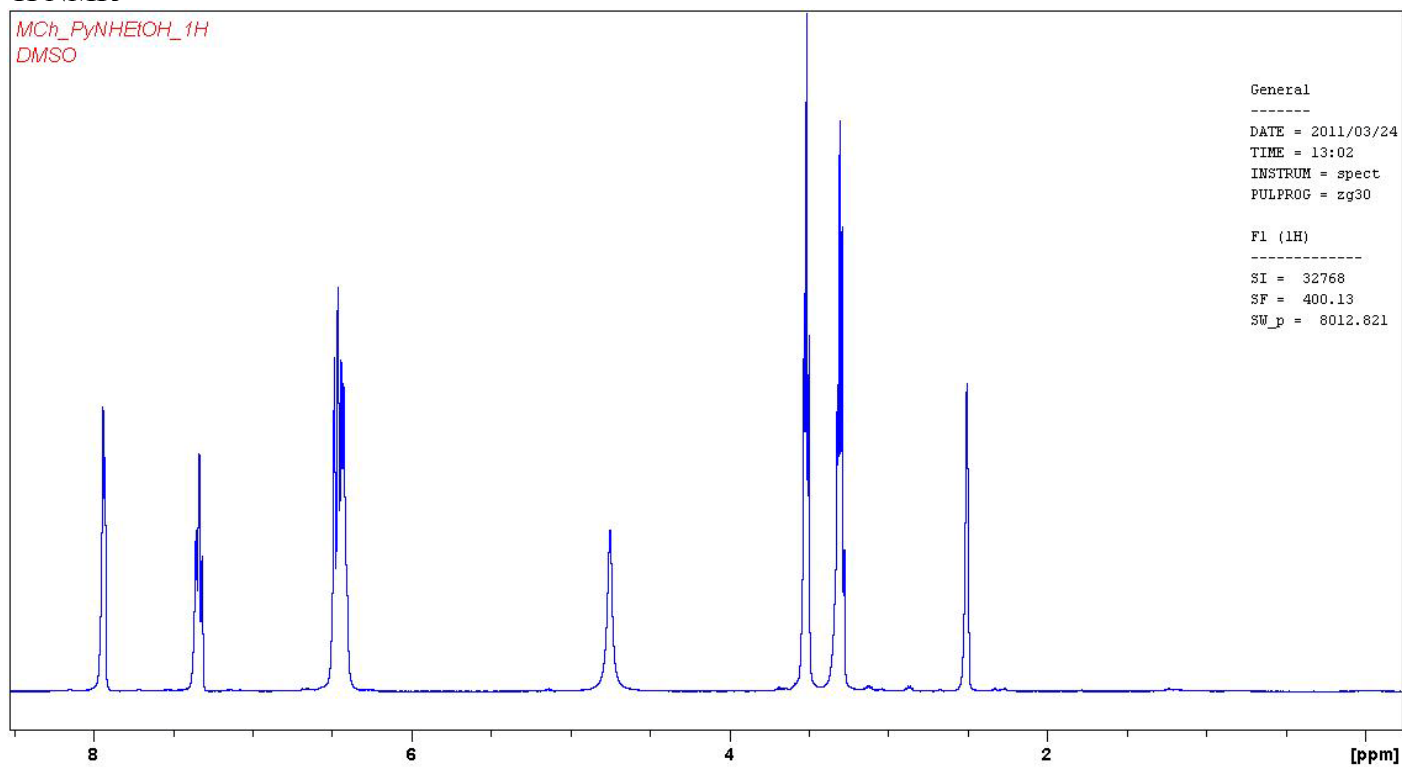
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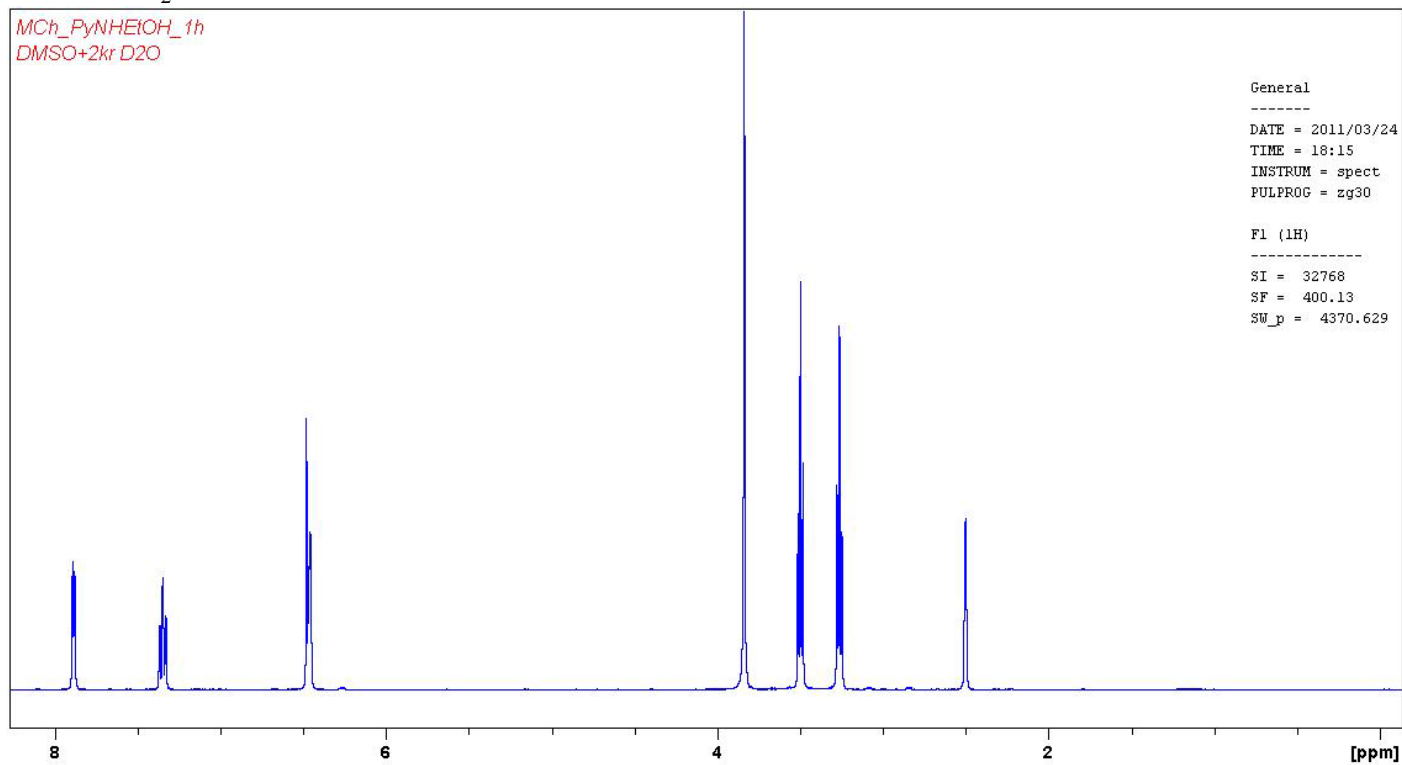
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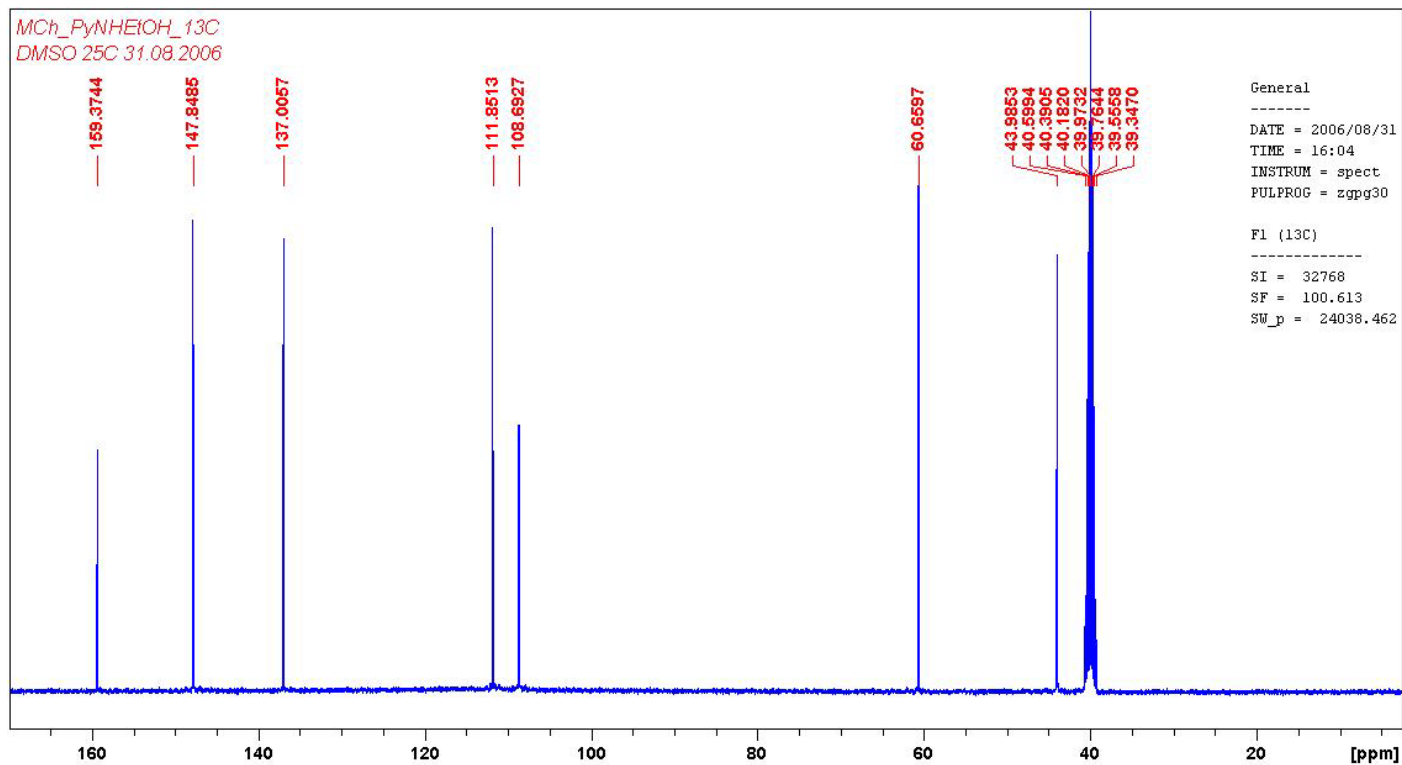


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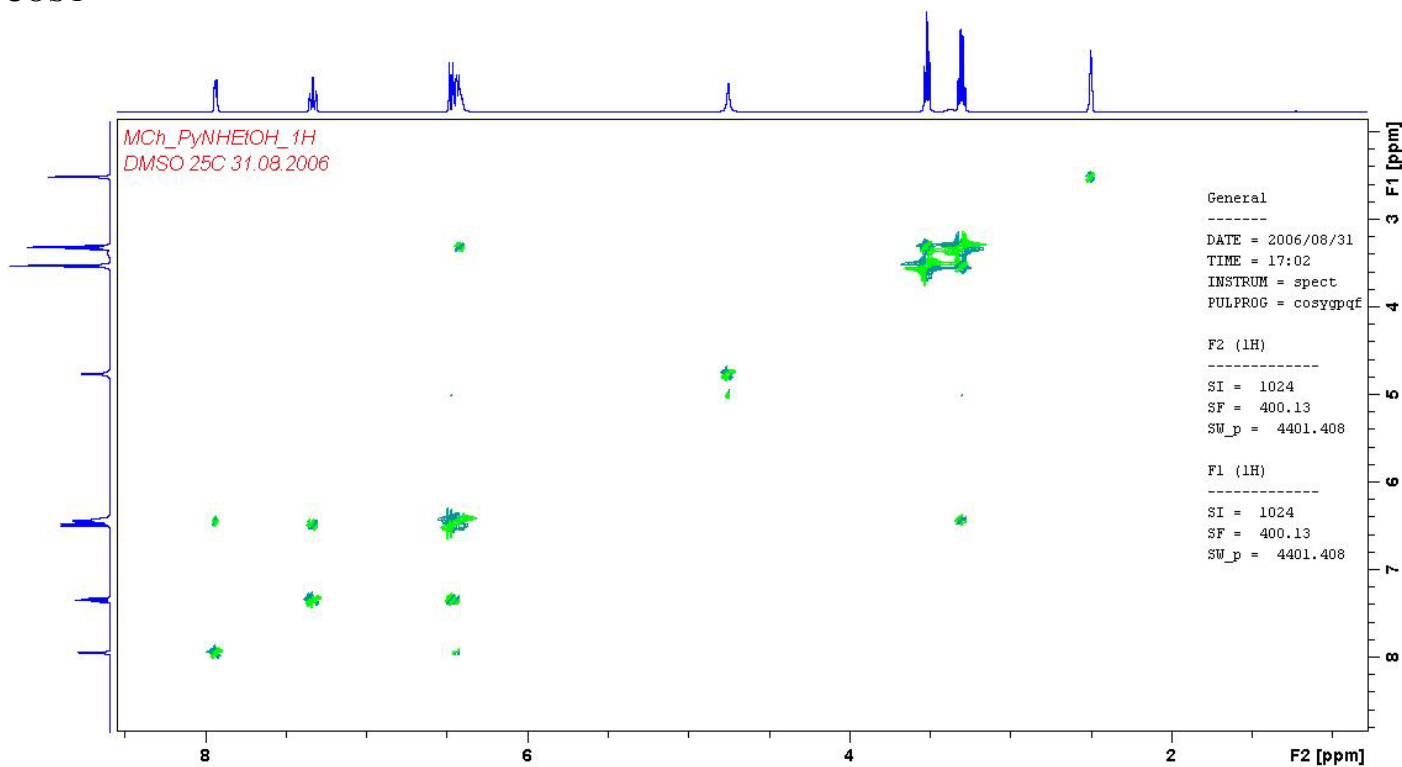




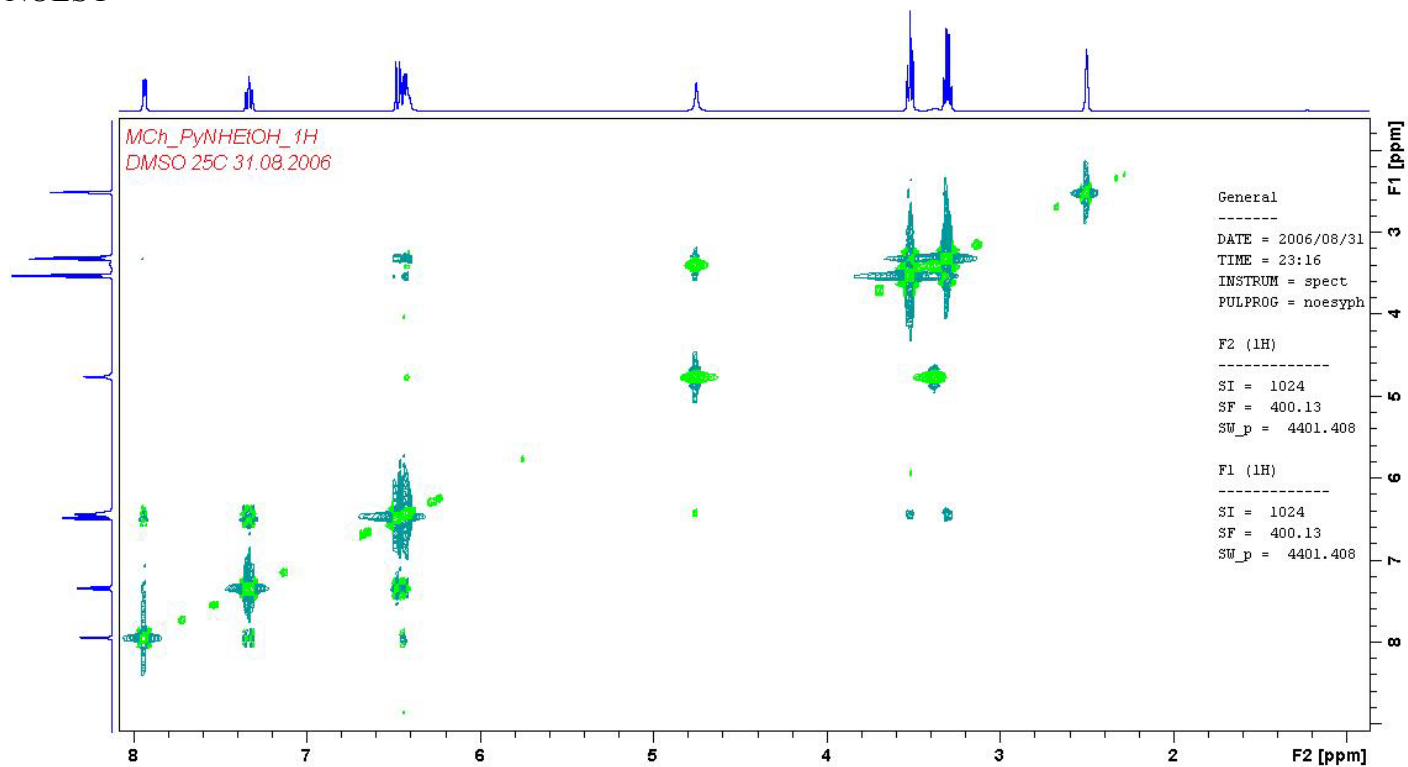
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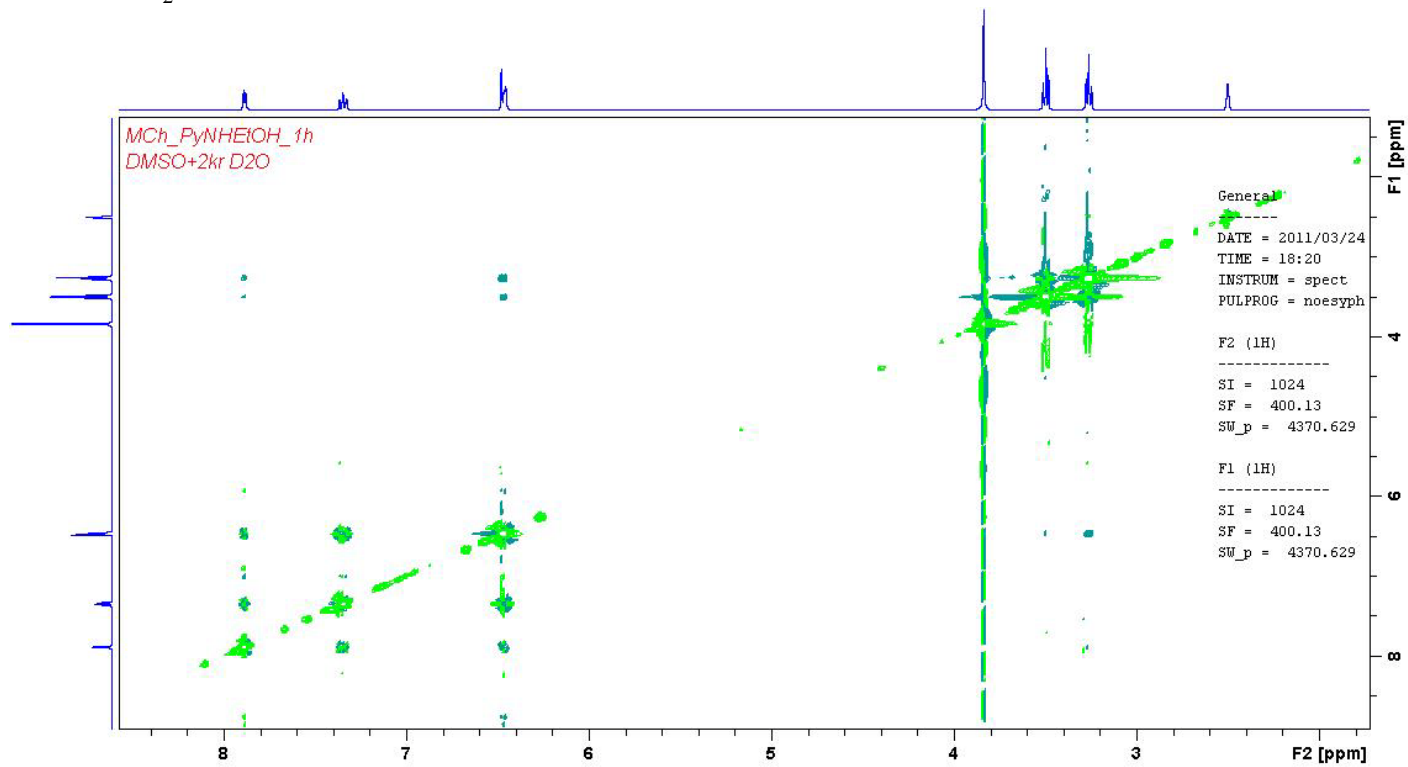
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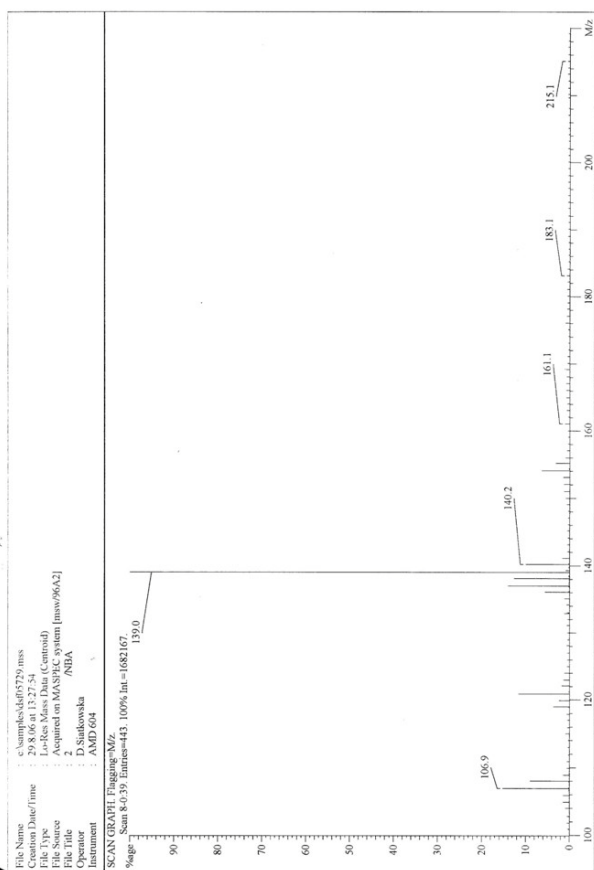
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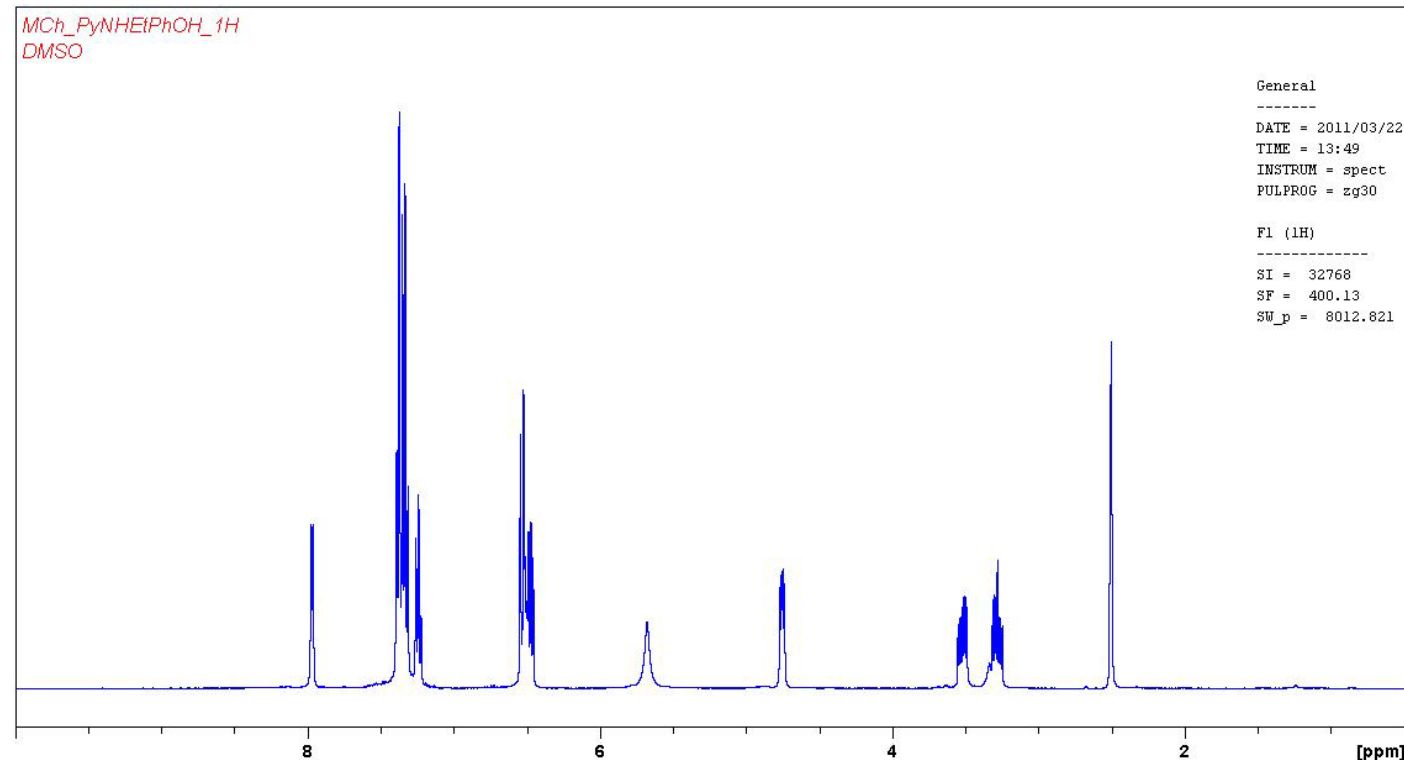
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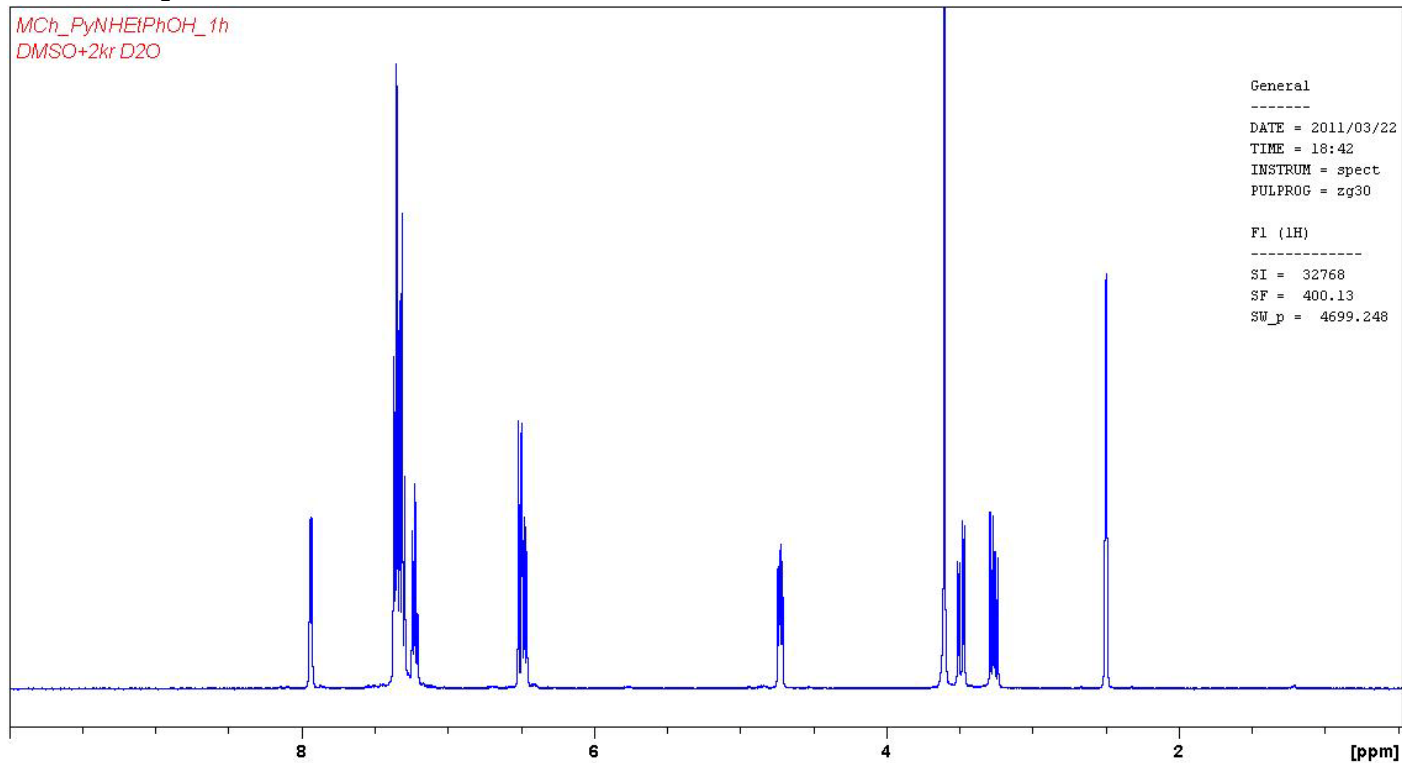
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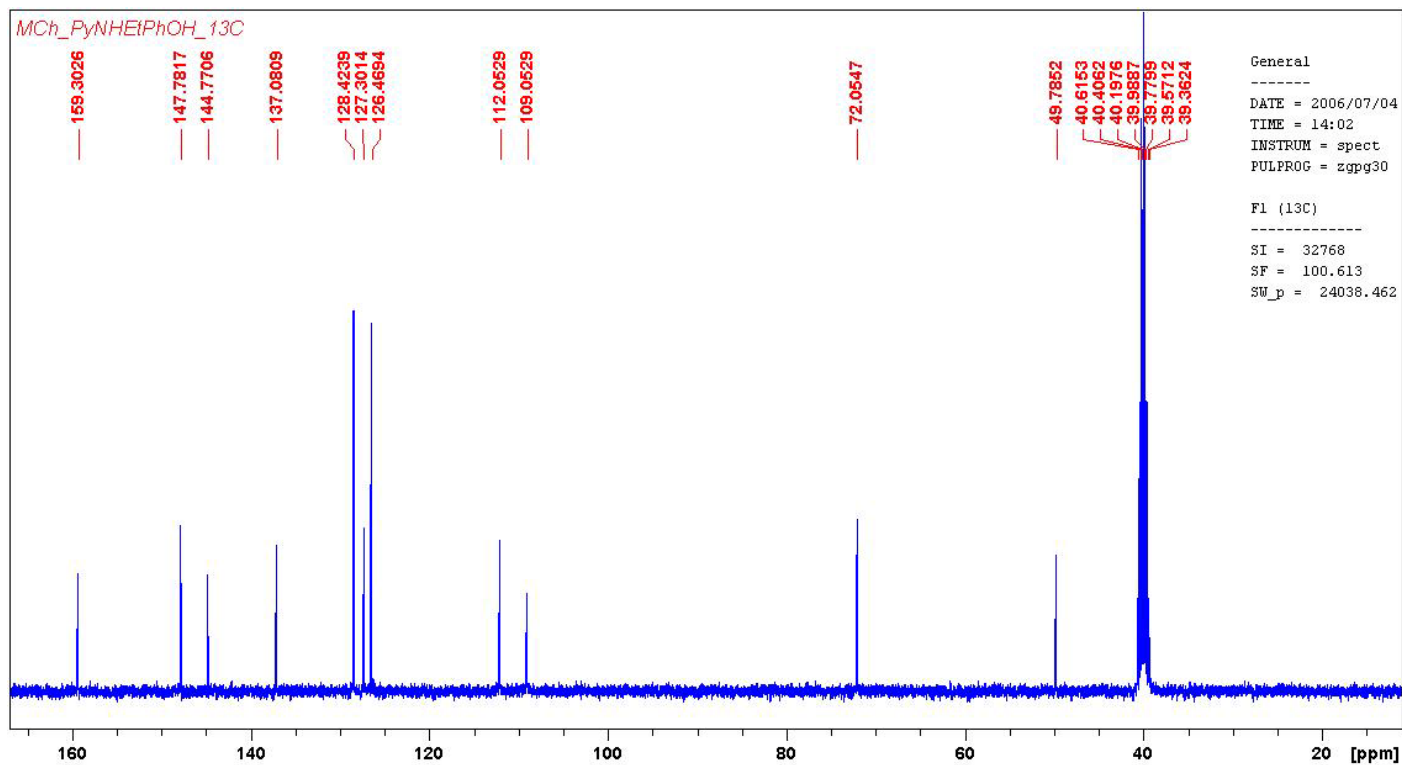
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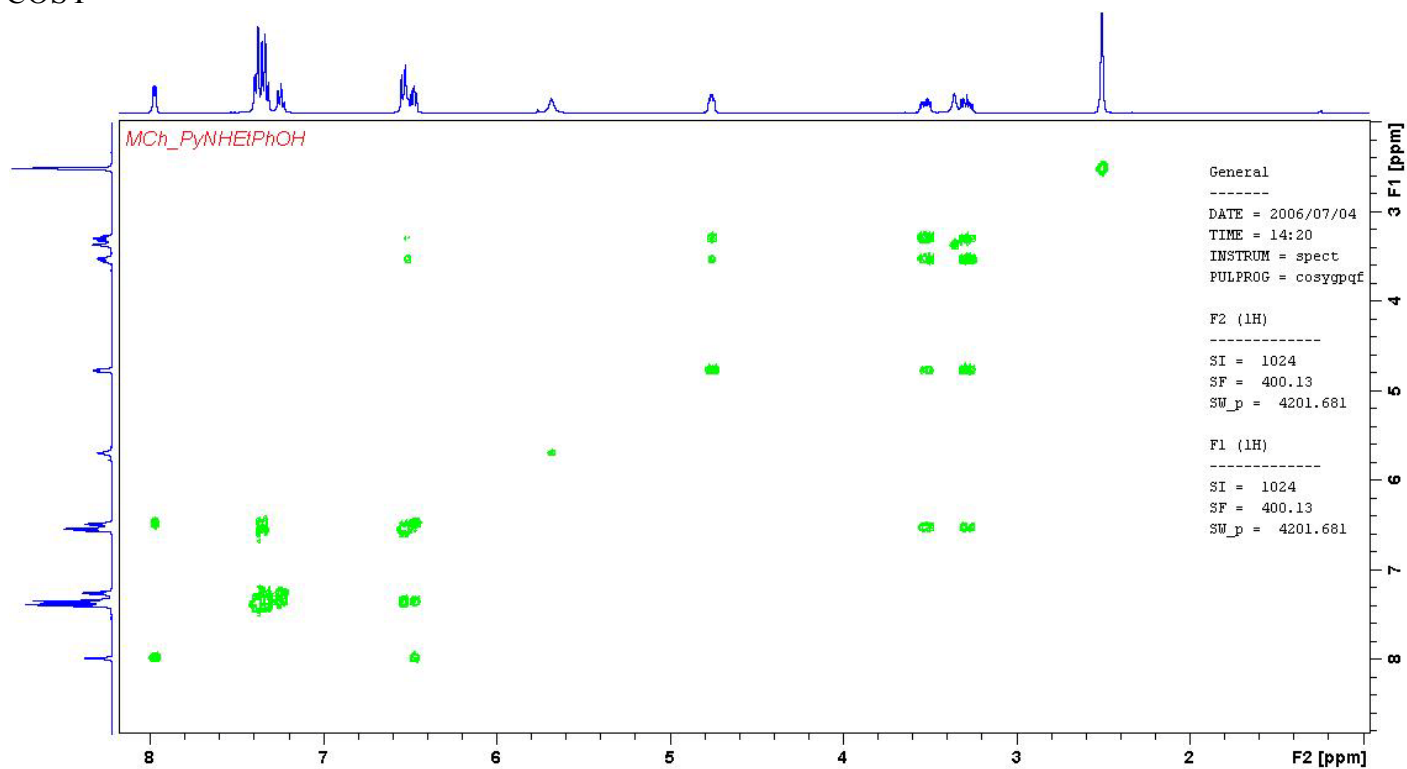
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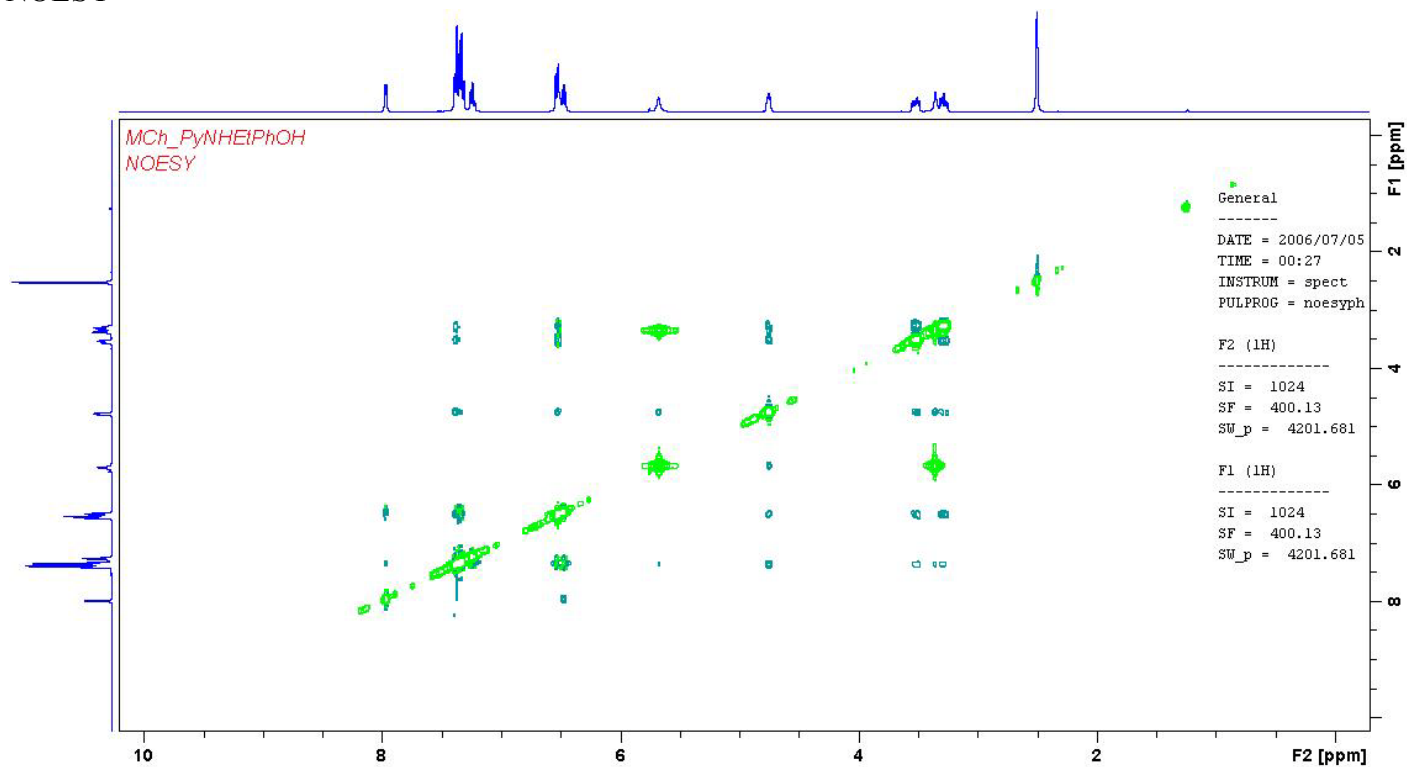
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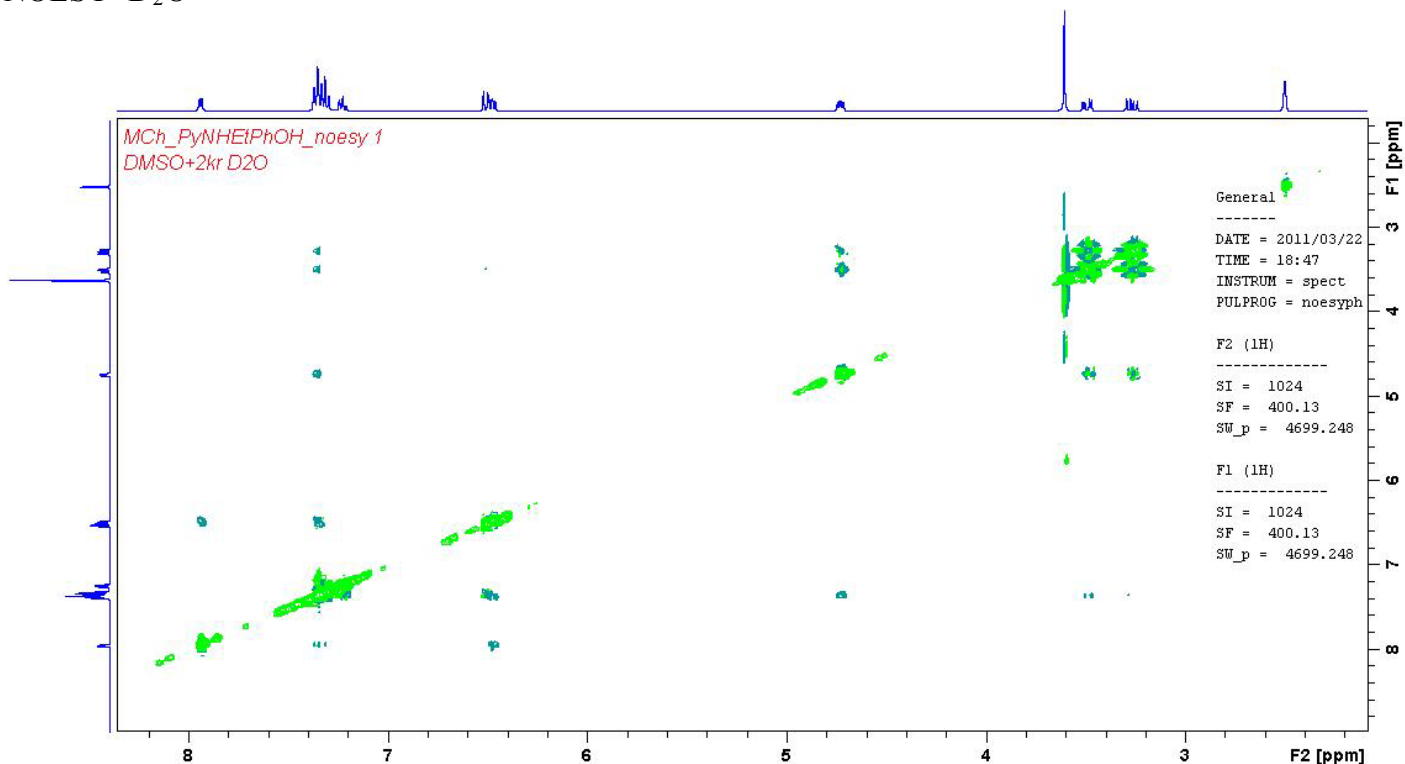
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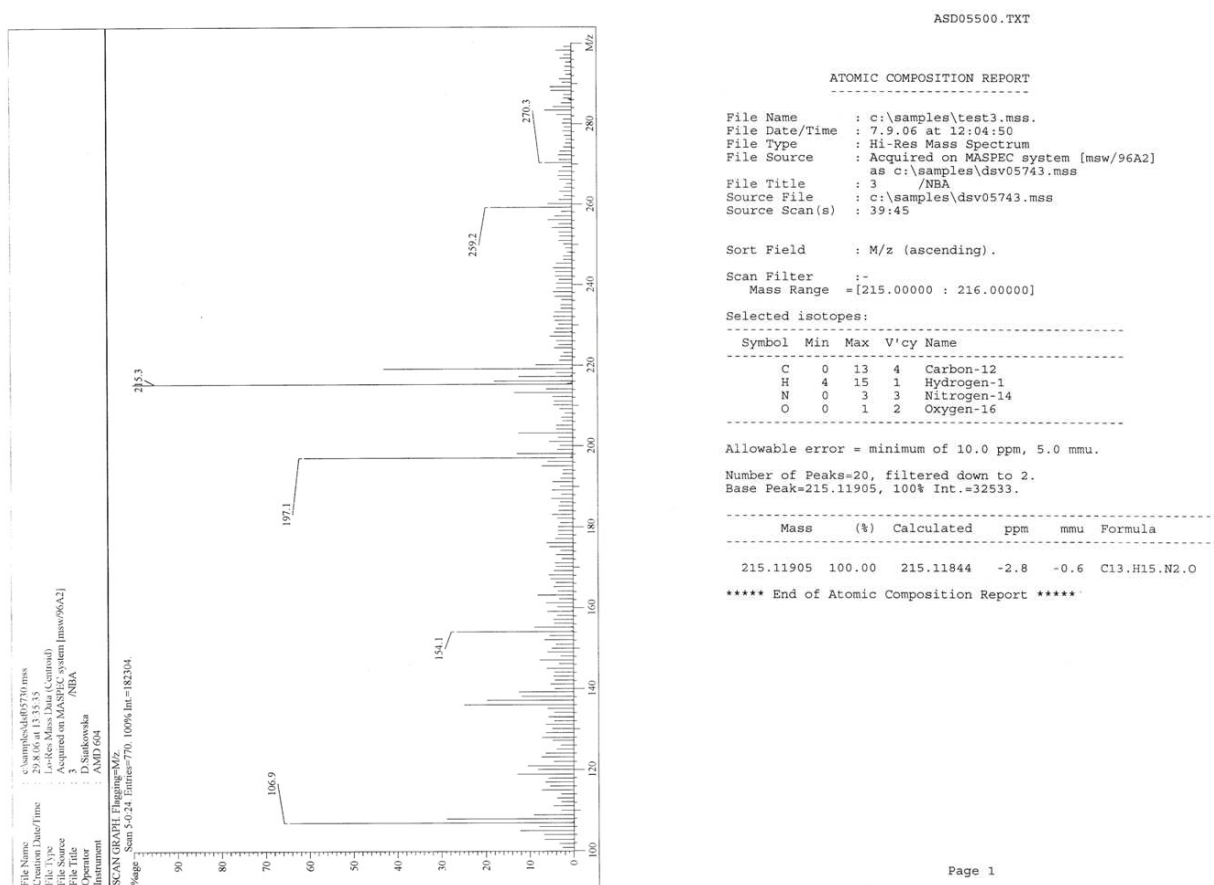
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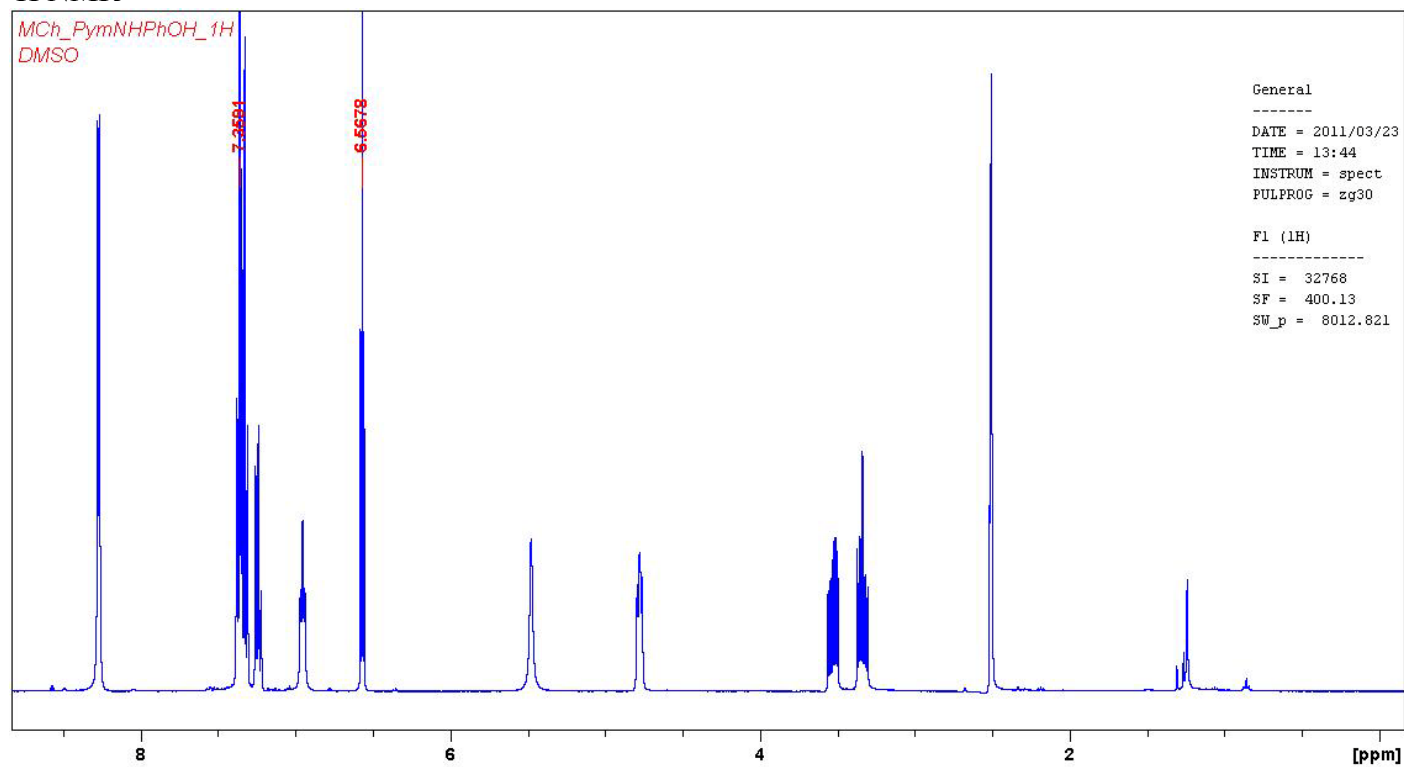


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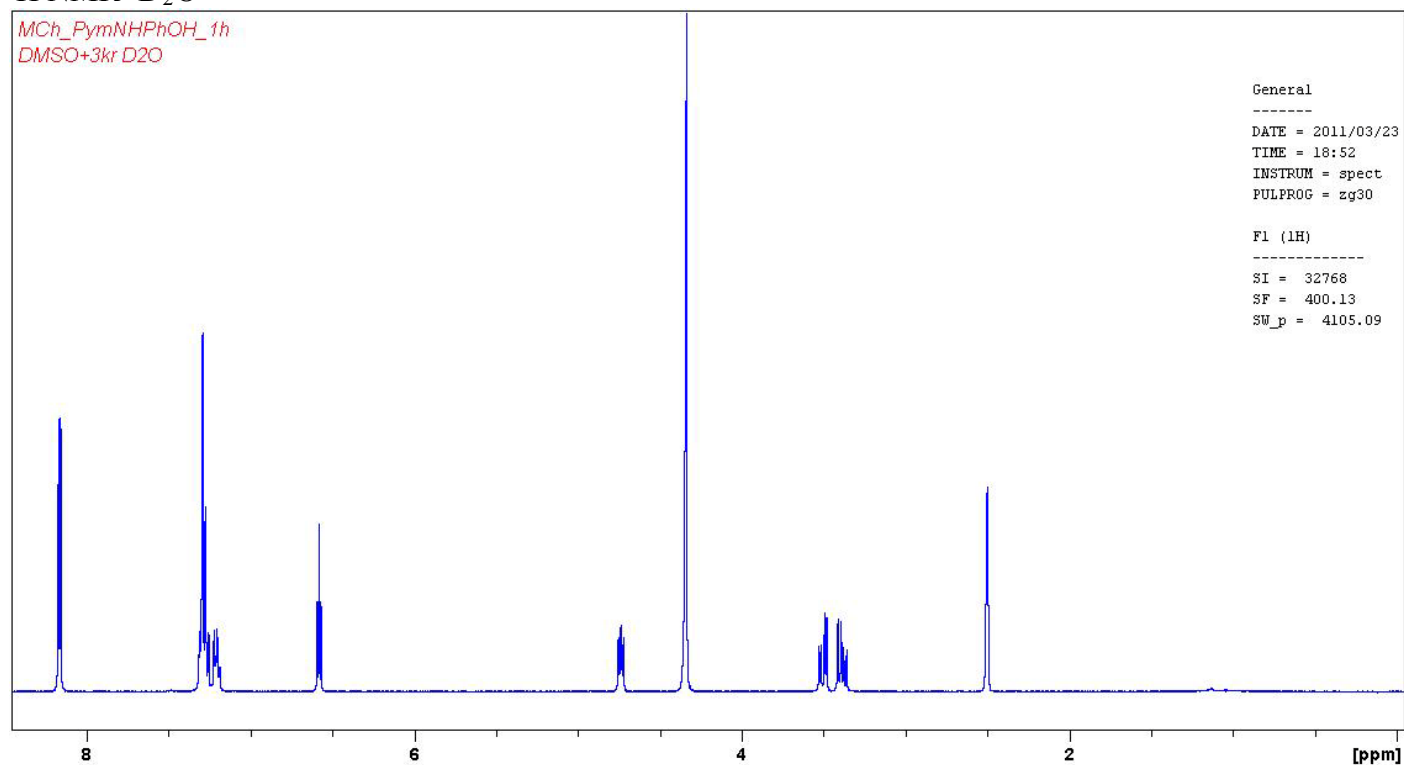


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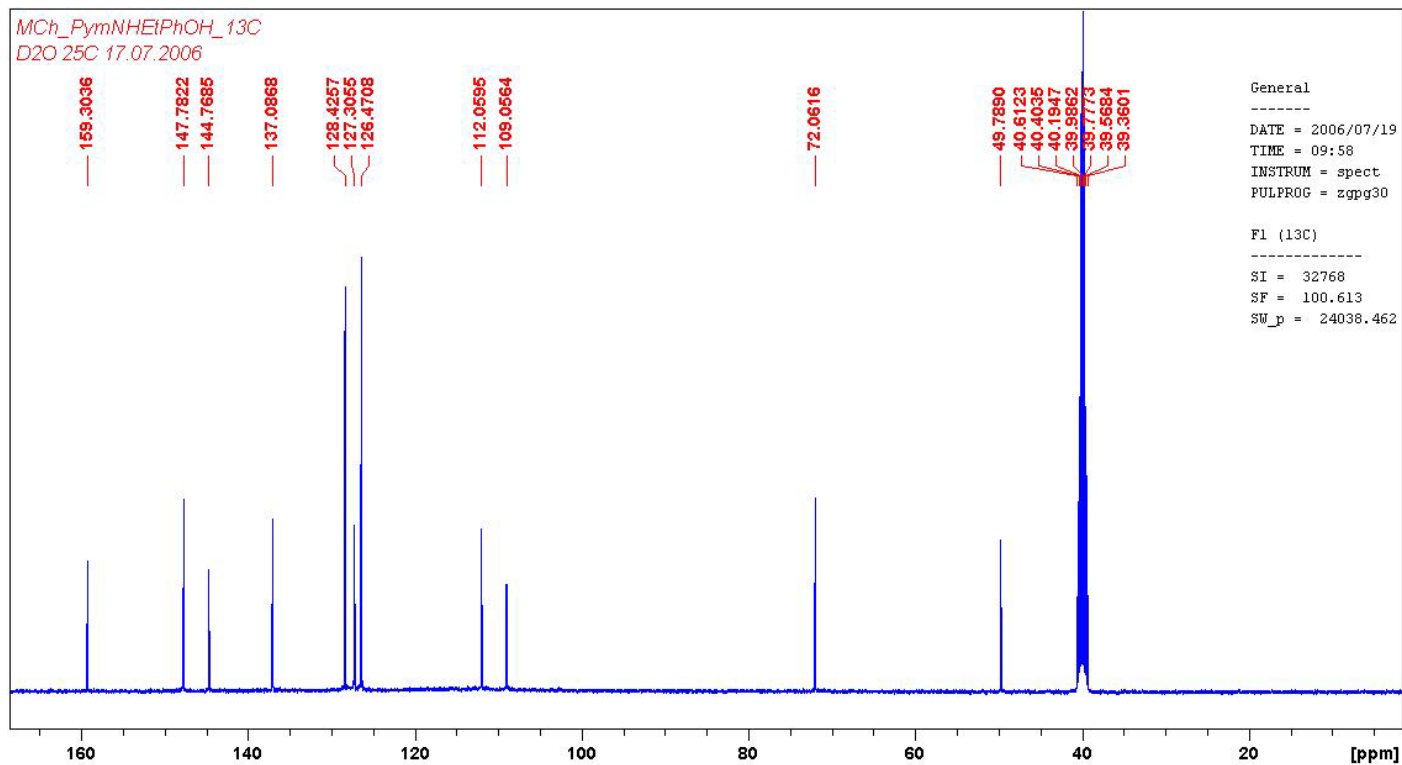
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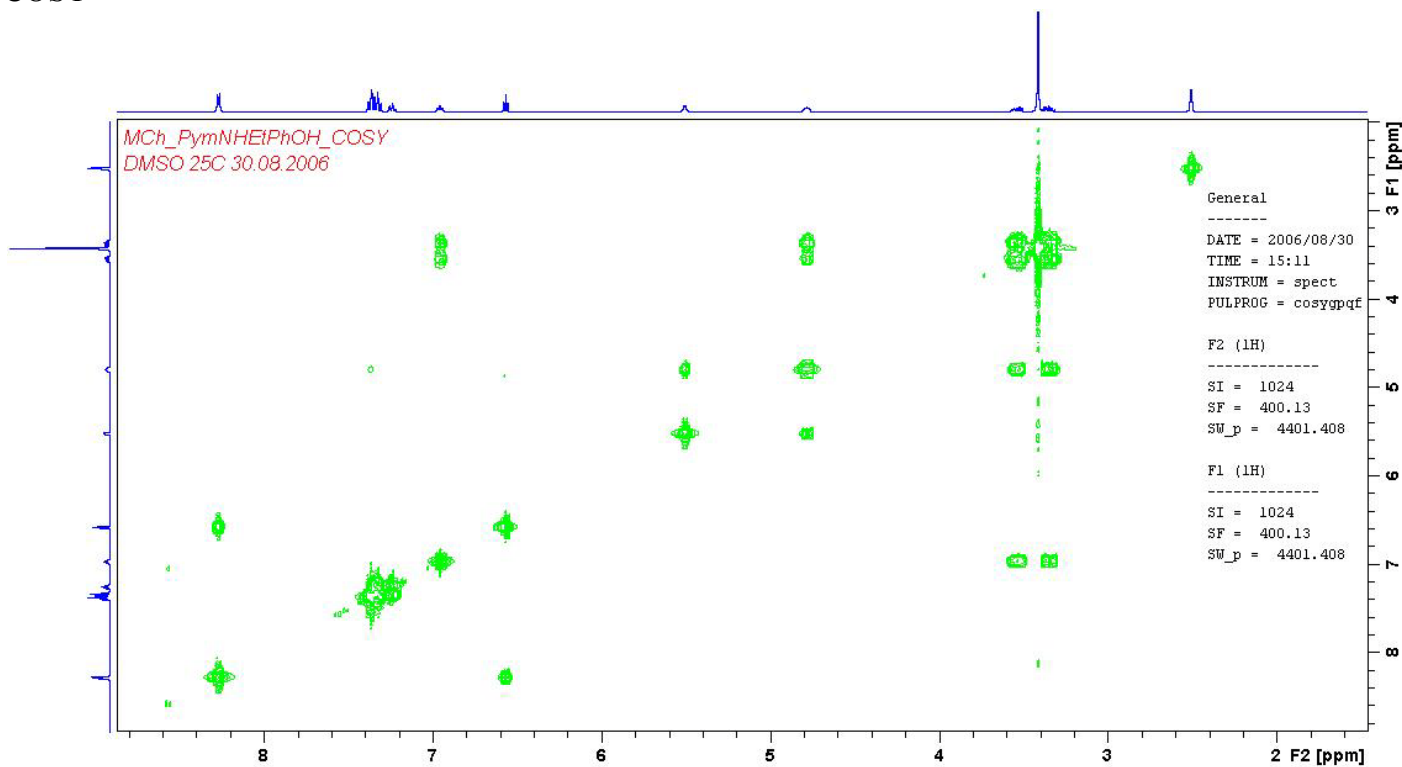
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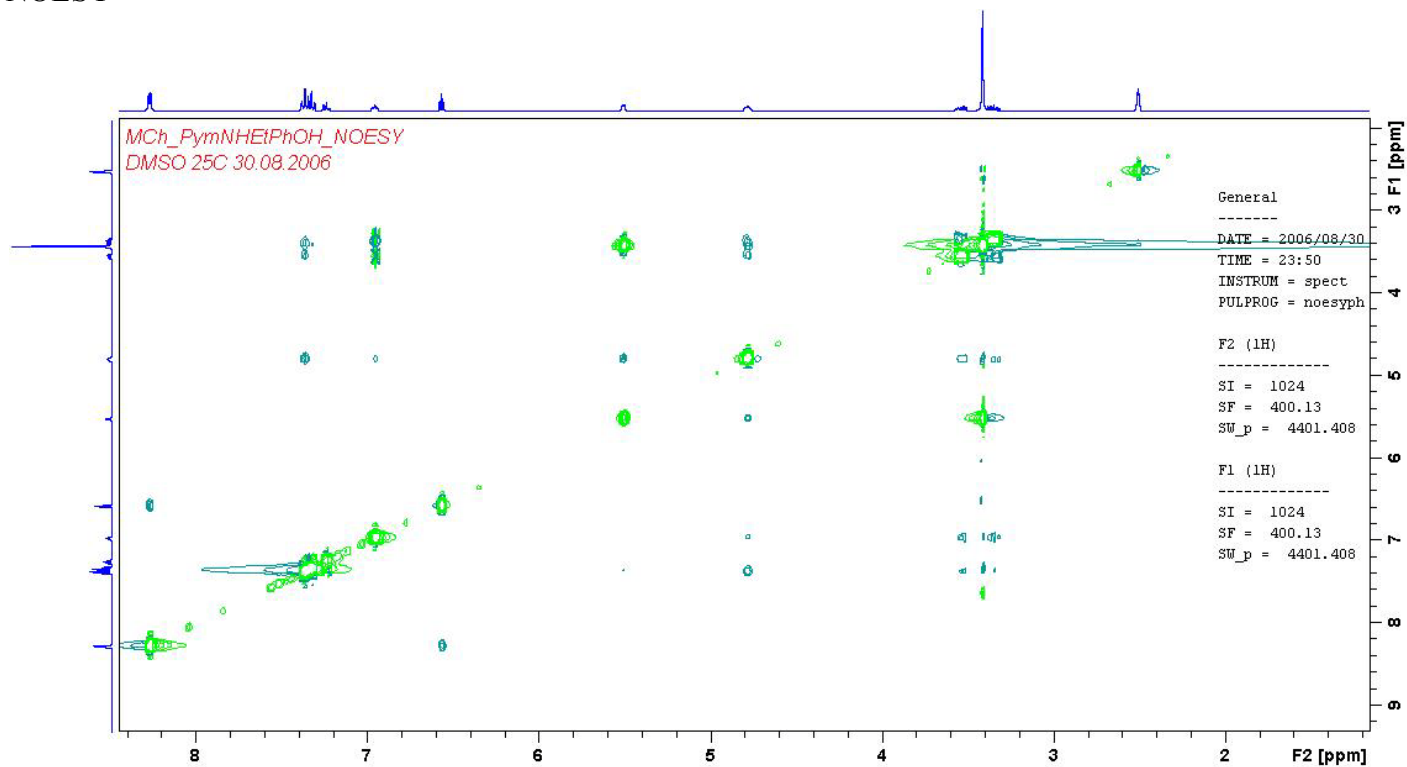


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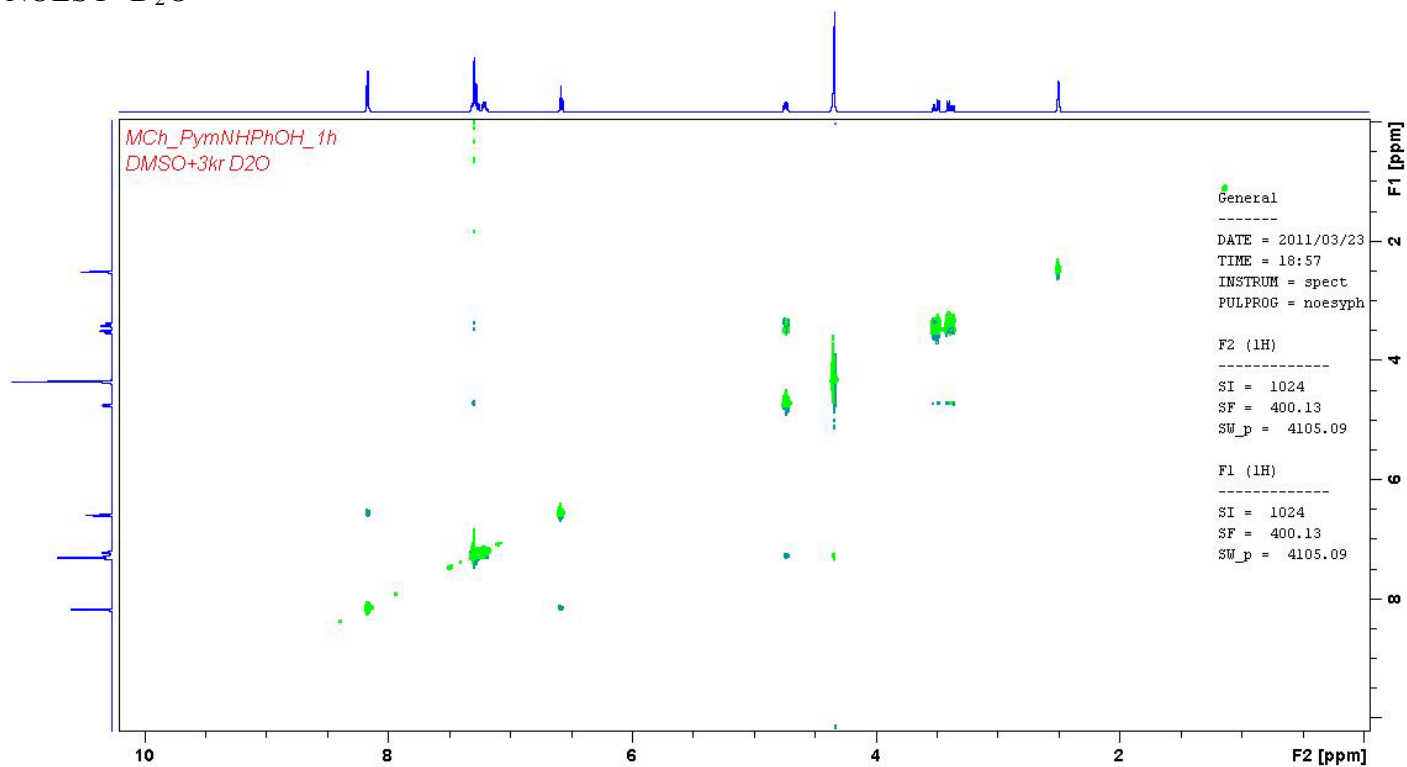




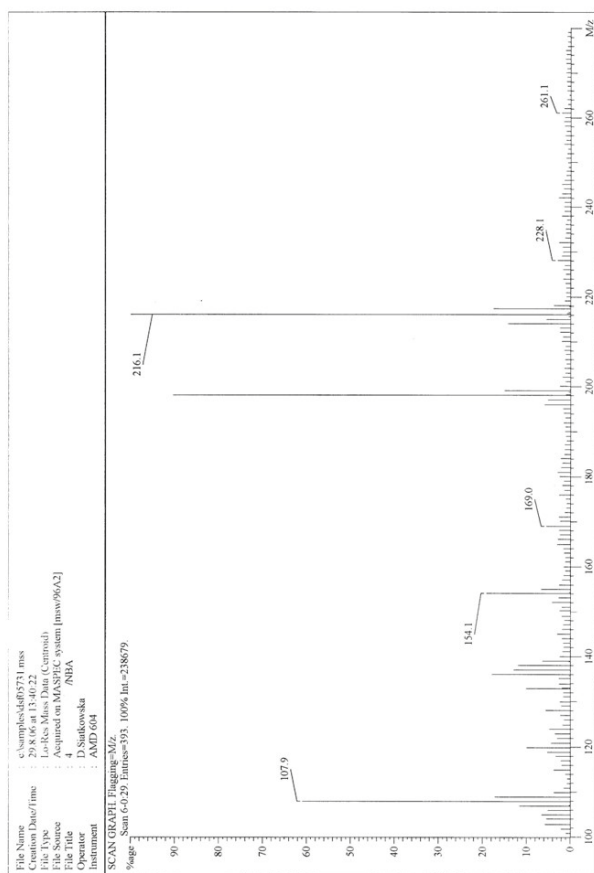
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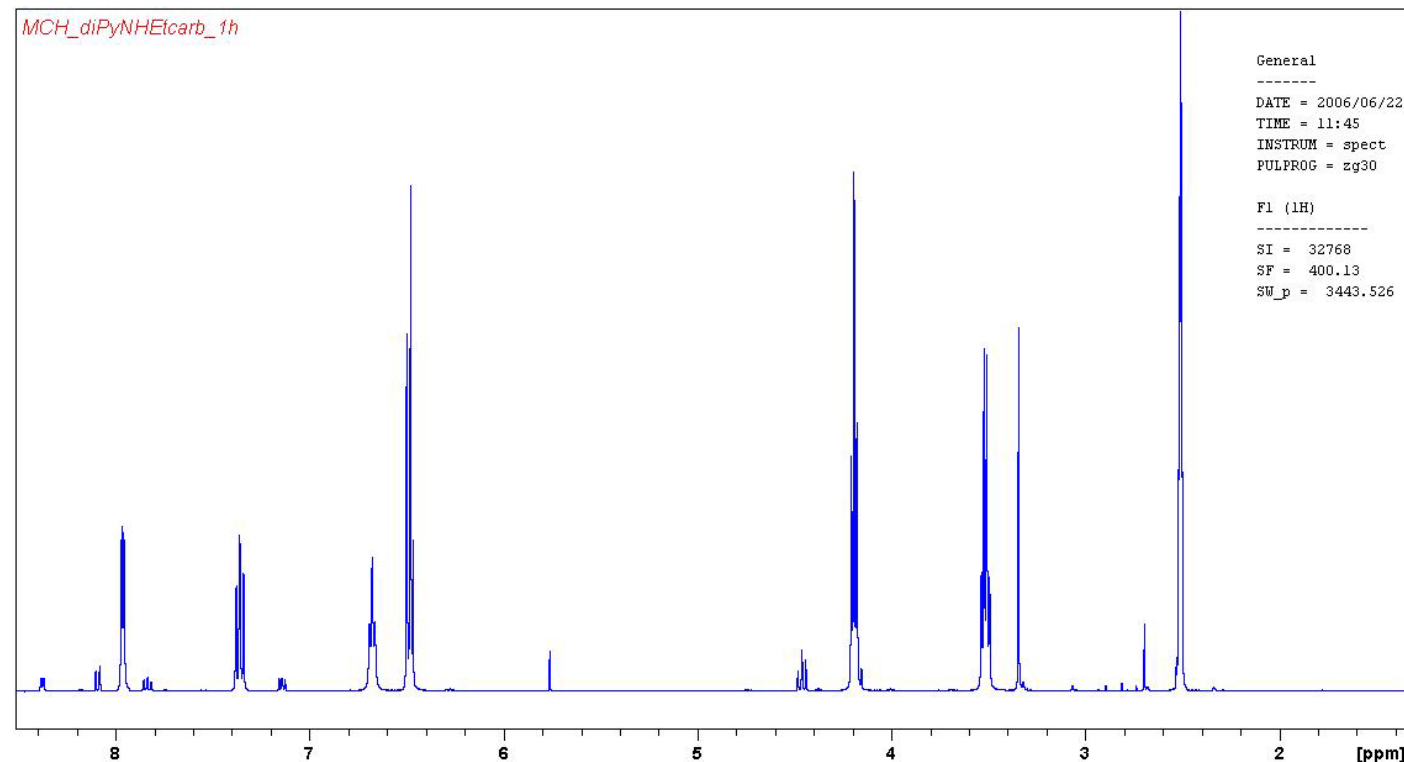
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|-----------|-------|------------|-----|-----|--------------|
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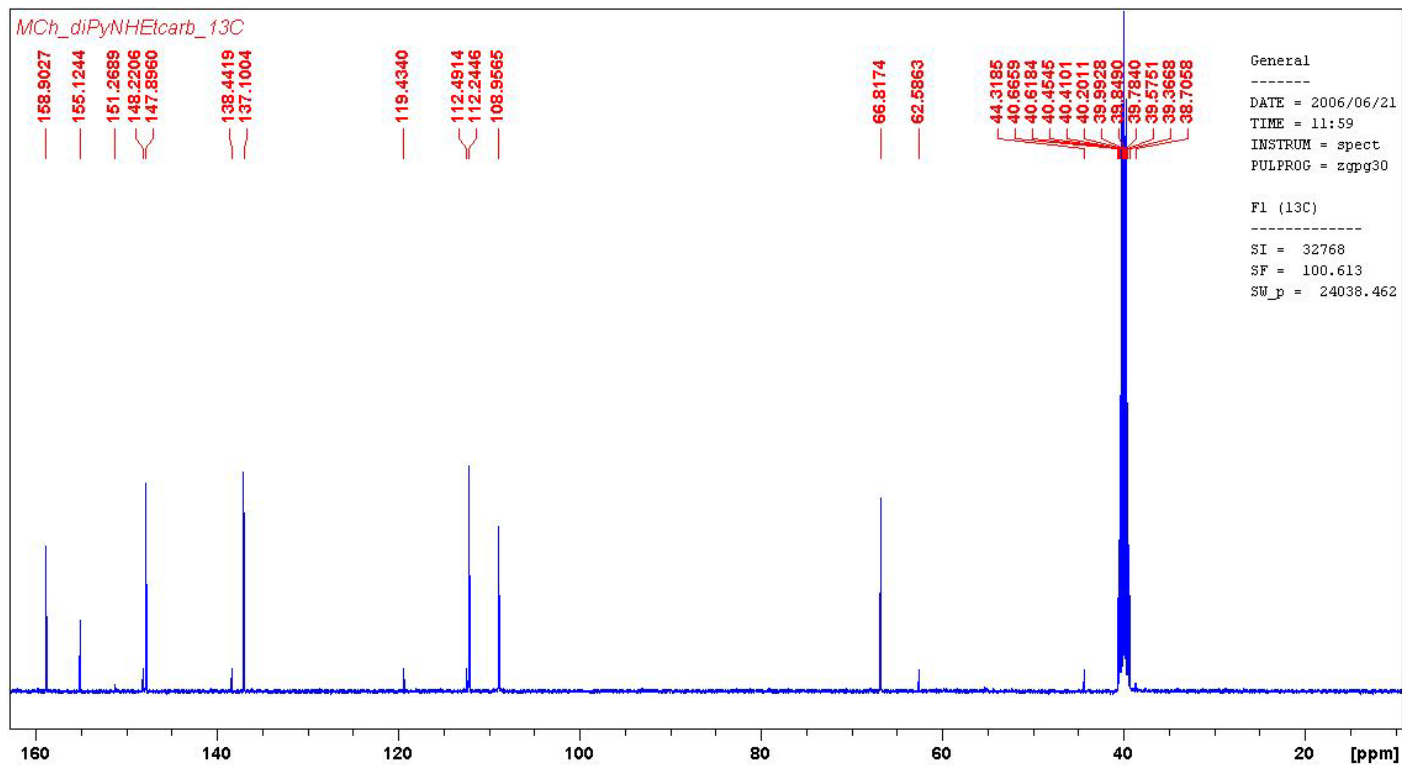
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## Compound 5

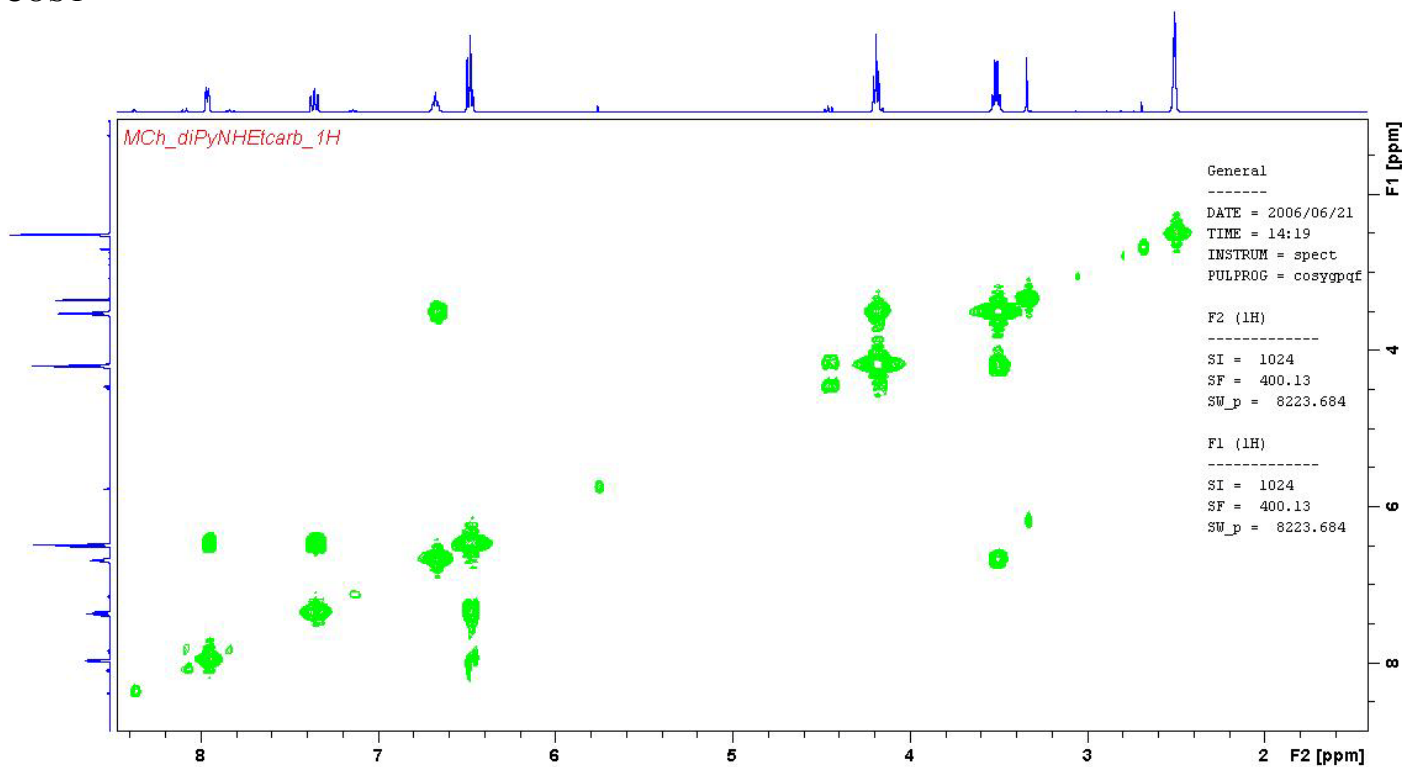
### <sup>1</sup>H NMR



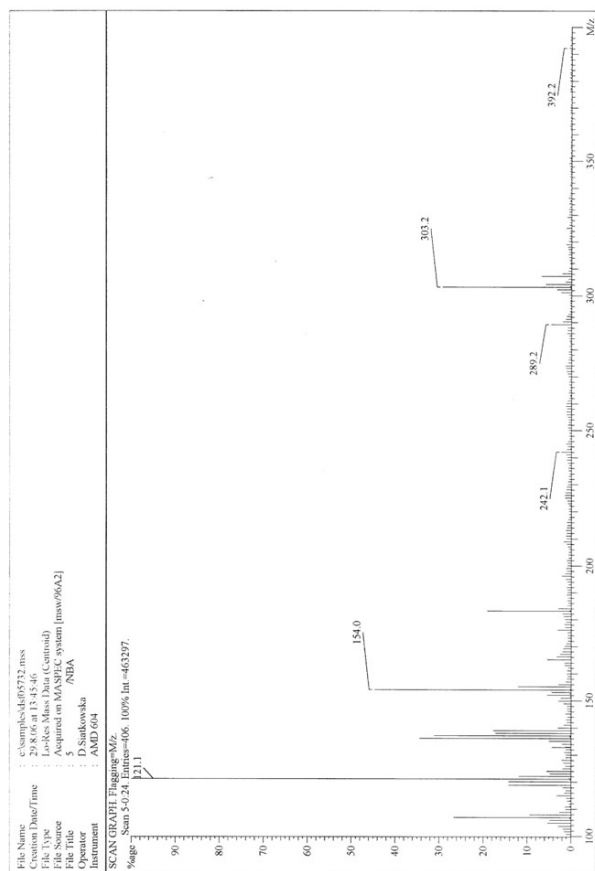
### <sup>13</sup>C NMR



### COSY



## MS analysis



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Sort Field : M/z (ascending).

Scan Filter : none.

Selected isotopes:

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| H      | 4   | 19  | 1    | Hydrogen-1  |
| N      | 0   | 4   | 3    | Nitrogen-14 |
| O      | 0   | 3   | 2    | Oxygen-16   |

Allowable error = minimum of 10.0 ppm, 5.0 mmu.

Number of Peaks=32.

Base Peak=229.13404, 100% Int.=164702.

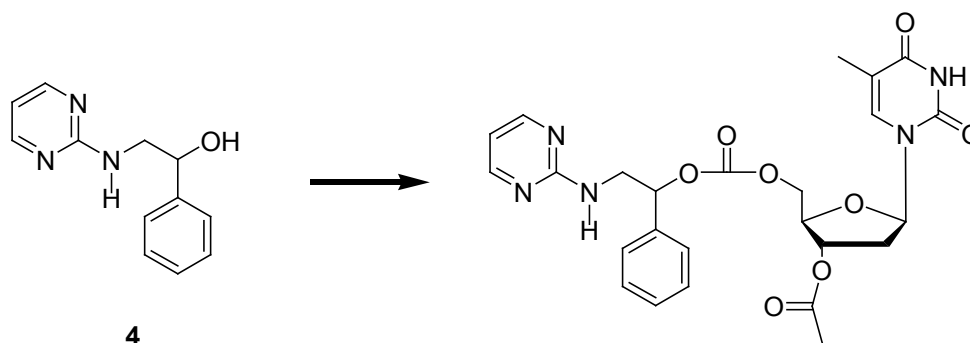
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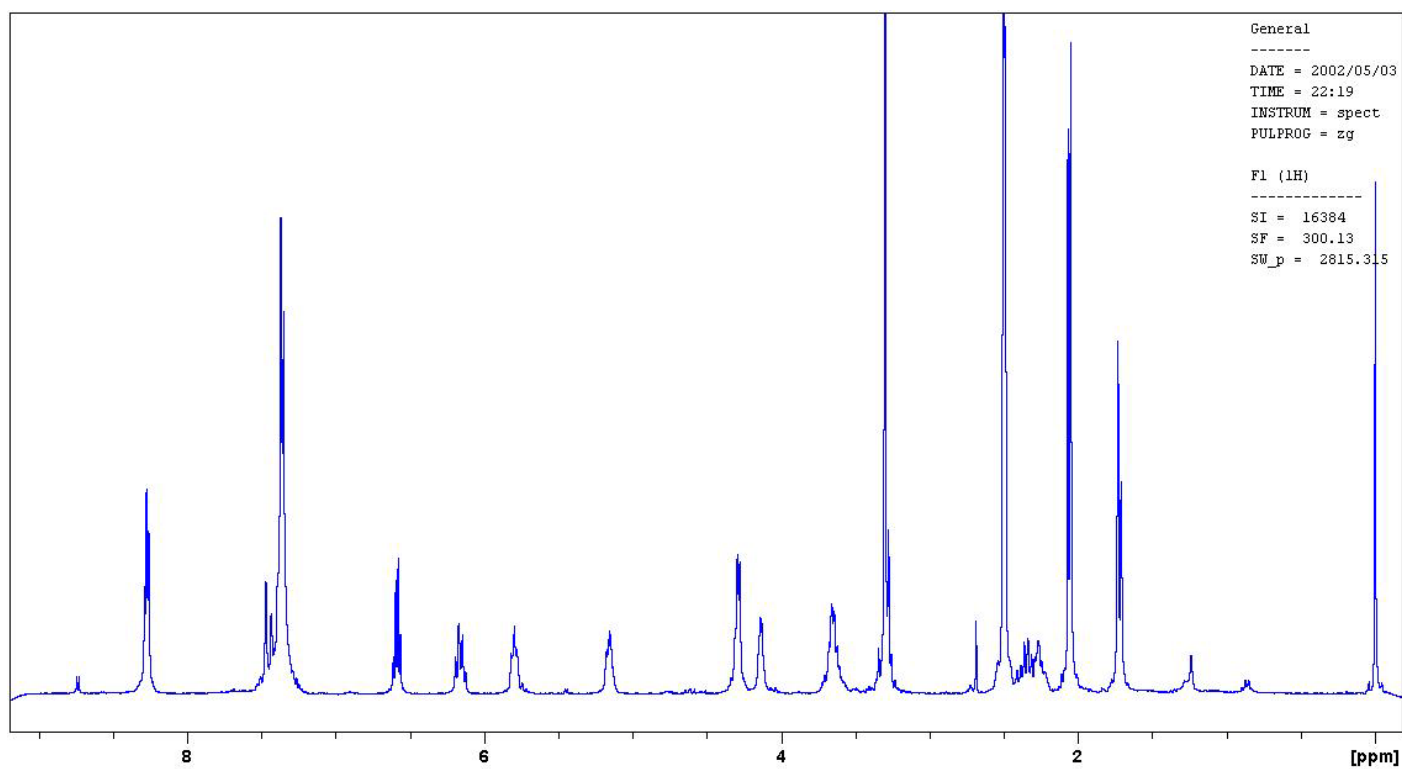
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## Analysis of thermostability of compound 4

The compound **4** was converted into thermolabile 5'-carbonates in 3'-acetyl thymidine (see scheme below)



<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 5'-carbonates-3'-acetyl thymidine formed from **4**



HPLC analysis of thermostability carbonates from **4** in 90 °C

