

# Characterization of $\beta$ -B-Agostic Isomers in Zirconocene Amidoborane Complexes

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## Experimental Section

**General considerations.** All operations were carried out with careful exclusion of air and moisture using standard Schlenk and glove box techniques. The solvents were dried and deoxygenated prior to use. Starting materials were purchased from commercial suppliers and used as received. All NMR spectra were run on either a Bruker Avance DRX-400 or a DRY-400 instrument and chemical shifts are reported in  $\delta$  units (ppm) using the solvent as an internal reference: C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>5</sub>H (7.15 ppm, <sup>1</sup>H) and C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub> (128.39, <sup>13</sup>C); THF-d<sub>7</sub> (3.58 ppm, <sup>1</sup>H) and THF-d<sub>8</sub> (67.57 ppm, <sup>13</sup>C); toluene-d<sub>7</sub> (2.09 ppm, <sup>1</sup>H), and toluene-d<sub>8</sub> (20.4 ppm, <sup>13</sup>C). BF<sub>3</sub>·Et<sub>2</sub>O (0 ppm) was used as reference for the <sup>11</sup>B NMR measurements. The infrared spectra were recorded using KBr pellets on a Nicolet Nexus 470 CSI optics FT-IR instrument while the Raman spectra were recorded using a Bruker Vortex 70 RT-DLaTGS RAM II instrument. The powder X-ray diffraction pattern was recorded on a Rigaku multiflex diffractometer.

### Synthesis of Cp<sub>2</sub>Zr(H)NH<sub>2</sub>BH<sub>3</sub>, 1

THF (30 mL) was condensed over a mixture of ammonia borane (0.302 g, 9.8 mmol) and Cp<sub>2</sub>ZrCl<sub>2</sub> (1.43 g, 4.9 mmol). The reactants dissolved upon warming up to room temperature and the solution was subsequently cooled to -78 °C. nBuLi (1.6 M in hexanes, 6.07 mL, 9.7 mmol) was added, the mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 2 hours and then allowed to warm to room temperature. The solvent was removed in vacuum, benzene (25 mL) was added to the remaining solid and the slurry was filtered. Cp<sub>2</sub>Zr(H)NH<sub>2</sub>BH<sub>3</sub> (0.98 g, 3.5 mmol, 71%) was isolated upon removal of benzene in vacuum. X-ray quality single crystals were obtained by cooling a saturated toluene solution to -35 °C. The solid compound could be handled in the air for short periods of time, but showed signs of hydrolysis with formation of ammonia borane after exposure to the air for a few hours.

EA: Calcd.: C 47.60, H 6.41, N, 5.55. Found: C 47.49, H 6.45, N 5.42.

IR (KBr):  $\nu$ (cm<sup>-1</sup>) = 3377 (w, NH), 3305 (m, NH), 3081 (w, CH), 2376 (s, BH<sub>term</sub>), 2304 (m, BH<sub>term</sub>), 1899 (w, BH<sub>bridging</sub>), 1824 (m, BH<sub>bridging</sub>), 1553 (s, ZrH).

Raman:  $\nu$ (cm<sup>-1</sup>)= 3115 (m, CH), 3085 (m, CH), 2380 (m, BH<sub>term</sub>), 2308 (w, BH<sub>term</sub>).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 400 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1** (~50%)  $\delta$  (ppm) = 0.15 (q, br, 3H, BH<sub>3</sub>, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 91.0 Hz), 0.49, (s, br, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3.58 (s, 1H, ZrH), 5.43 (s, 10H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>); **Isomer 2** (~50%)  $\delta$  (ppm) =

0.10, (s, br, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 0.15 (q, br, 3H, BH<sub>3</sub>, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 91.0 Hz), 3.61 (s, 1H, ZrH), 5.29 (s, 10H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (THF-d<sub>8</sub>, 400 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1** (~66%) δ (ppm) = -0.44 (q, br, 3H, BH<sub>3</sub>, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 88.0 Hz), 1.41 (s, br, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3.12 (s, 1H, ZrH), 5.71 (s, 10H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>); **Isomer 2** (~33%) δ (ppm) = -0.44 (q, br, 3H, BH<sub>3</sub>, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 88.0 Hz), 1.41 (s, br, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3.49 (s, 1H, ZrH), 5.76 (s, 10H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (toluene-d<sub>8</sub>, 400 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1** (identified as **1a**) (~50%) δ (ppm) = -0.34 (q, br, 3H, BH<sub>3</sub>, 0.44, (s, br, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3.51 (s, 1H, ZrH), 5.41 (s, 10H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>); **Isomer 2** (identified as **1b**) (~50%) δ (ppm) = 0.06, (s, br, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 0.06 (q, br, 3H, BH<sub>3</sub>, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 91.0 Hz), 3.51 (s, 1H, ZrH), 5.28 (s, 10H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (toluene-d<sub>8</sub>, 400 MHz, 60 °C): **Isomer 1** (identified as **1a**) (~50%) δ (ppm) = -0.38 (q, br, 3H, BH<sub>3</sub>, 0.45, (s, br, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3.56 (s, 1H, ZrH), 5.43 (s, 10H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>); **Isomer 2** (identified as **1b**) (~50%) δ (ppm) = 0.01 (q, br, 3H, BH<sub>3</sub>, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 91.0 Hz), 0.09, (s, br, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3.53 (s, 1H, ZrH), 5.31 (s, 10H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (toluene-d<sub>8</sub>, 400 MHz, -60 °C): **Isomer 1** (identified as **1a**) (~50%) δ (ppm) = -2.88 (q, br, 1H, B-μH-Zr), 0.53, (s, br, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 1.11 (q, br, 3H, BH<sub>2</sub>, 3.49 (s, 1H, ZrH), 5.36 (s, 10H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>); **Isomer 2** (identified as **1b**) (~50%) δ (ppm) = 0.16, (s, br, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 0.26 (q, br, 3H, BH<sub>3</sub>, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 91.0 Hz), 3.40 (s, 1H, ZrH), 5.21 (s, 10H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>).

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 128.4 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1** δ (ppm) = -33.9 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 91.0 Hz); **Isomer 2** δ (ppm) = -33.5 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 91.0 Hz).

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (THF-d<sub>8</sub>, 128.4 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1** δ (ppm) = -34.0 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 88.0 Hz); **Isomer 2** δ (ppm) = -34.3 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 88.0 Hz).

<sup>11</sup>B NMR (toluene-d<sub>8</sub>, 128.4 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1** δ (ppm) = -33.5 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 88.0 Hz); **Isomer 2** δ (ppm) = -33.9 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 88.0 Hz).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 100.6 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1** δ 103.88 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>); **Isomer 2** δ 103.91 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (THF-d<sub>8</sub>, 100.6 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1** δ (ppm) = 104.25 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>); **Isomer 2** δ (ppm) = 104.16 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (toluene-d<sub>8</sub>, 100.6 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1** δ (ppm) = 103.84 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>); **Isomer 2** δ (ppm) = 103.87 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>).

### Synthesis of $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{Zr}(\text{H})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , 2

THF (30 mL) was condensed over a mixture of ammonia borane (0.1 g, 3.2 mmol) and  $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{ZrCl}_2$  (0.7 g, 1.6 mmol). The reactants dissolved upon warming up to room temperature and the solution was subsequently cooled to -78 °C.  $n\text{BuLi}$  (1.6 M in hexanes, 2.02 mL, 3.2 mmol) was added, the mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 2 hours and then allowed to warm to room temperature. The solvent was removed in vacuum, benzene (25 mL) was added to the remaining solid and the slurry was filtered.  $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{Zr}(\text{H})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$  (0.52 g, 2.06 mmol, 64%) was isolated upon removal of benzene in vacuum. X-ray quality single crystals were obtained by slow evaporation of a toluene solution.

IR (KBr):  $\nu(\text{cm}^{-1}) = 3430$  (w, NH), 3366 (w, NH), 2903 (m, CH), 2390 (m,  $\text{BH}_{\text{term}}$ ), 2318 (m,  $\text{BH}_{\text{term}}$ ), 1892 (w,  $\text{BH}_{\text{bridging}}$ ), 1819 (w,  $\text{BH}_{\text{bridging}}$ ), 1531 (m ZrH).

Raman:  $\nu(\text{cm}^{-1}) = 2904$  (vs, CH), 2397 (w,  $\text{BH}_{\text{term}}$ ), 2321 (w,  $\text{BH}_{\text{term}}$ ).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ , 400 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1** (~80):  $^1\text{H}$  NMR  $\delta$  (ppm) = -0.10, (s, br, 2H,  $\text{NH}_2$ ), -0.05 (q, br, 3H,  $\text{BH}_3$ ,  $^1\text{J}_{\text{BH}} = 90$  Hz), 1.76 (s, 30H,  $\text{C}_5(\text{CH}_3)_5$ ), 4.15 (s, 1H, ZrH); **Isomer 2** (~20%)  $\delta$  (ppm) = -0.05 (q, br, 3H,  $\text{BH}_3$ ,  $^1\text{J}_{\text{BH}} = 90$  Hz), 0.40, (s, br, 2H,  $\text{NH}_2$ ), 1.84 (s, 30H,  $\text{C}_5(\text{CH}_3)_5$ ), 4.08 (s, 1H, ZrH).

$^{11}\text{B}$  NMR ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ , 128.4 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1**  $\delta$  (ppm) = -29.6 (q,  $^1\text{J}_{\text{BH}} = 90$  Hz); **Isomer 2**  $\delta$  (ppm) = -31.9 (q,  $^1\text{J}_{\text{BH}} = 90$  Hz).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ , 100.6 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1**  $\delta$  (ppm) = 11.76 ( $\text{C}_5(\text{CH}_3)_5$ ), 114.06 ( $\underline{\text{C}}_5(\text{CH}_3)_5$ ); **Isomer 2**  $\delta$  (ppm) = 12.26 ( $\text{C}_5(\text{CH}_3)_5$ ), 115.09 ( $\underline{\text{C}}_5(\text{CH}_3)_5$ ).

### Synthesis of $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{Cl})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , 3

THF (30 mL) was condensed over a mixture of ammonia borane (0.3 g, 9.7 mmol) and  $\text{Cp}_2\text{ZrCl}_2$  (2.84 g, 9.7 mmol). The reactants dissolved upon warming up to room temperature and the solution was subsequently cooled to -78 °C.  $n\text{BuLi}$  (1.6 M in hexanes, 6.07 mL, 9.7 mmol) was added, the mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 2 hours and then allowed to warm to room temperature. The solvent was removed in vacuum, benzene (25 mL) was added to the remaining solid and the slurry was filtered.  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{Cl})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$  (1.48 g, 5.9 mmol, 60%) was isolated upon removal of benzene in vacuum. X-ray quality single crystals were obtained by cooling a saturated toluene solution to -35 °C.

EA: Calcd.: C 41.88, H 5.28, N, 4.89. Found: C 41.92, H 5.34, N 3.95.

IR (KBr):  $\nu(\text{cm}^{-1}) = 3384$  (m, NH), 3280 (s, NH), 3097 (m, CH), 2393 (s, BH<sub>term</sub>), 2320 (m, BH<sub>term</sub>), 1868 (m, BH<sub>bridging</sub>), 1792 (m, BH<sub>bridging</sub>).

Raman:  $\nu(\text{cm}^{-1}) = 3115$  (m, CH), 3091 (m, CH), 2395 (s, BH<sub>term</sub>), 2323 (m, BH<sub>term</sub>).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 400 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1** (~80%)  $\delta$  (ppm) = 0.36 (q, br, 3H, BH<sub>3</sub>, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 93.7 Hz), 1.46, (s, br, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 5.61 (s, 10H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>); **Isomer 2** (~20%)  $\delta$  (ppm) = 0.36 (q, br, 3H, BH<sub>3</sub>, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 93.7 Hz), 1.46, (s, br, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 6.01 (s, 10H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (THF-d<sub>8</sub>, 400 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1** (~85%) <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $\delta$  (ppm) = 0.20 (q, br, 3H, BH<sub>3</sub>, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 94.4 Hz), 2.76, (s, br, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 6.08 (s, 10H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>); **Isomer 2** (~15%)  $\delta$  (ppm) = 0.20 (q, br, 3H, BH<sub>3</sub>, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 94.4 Hz), 2.76, (s, br, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 6.37 (s, 10H, C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>);

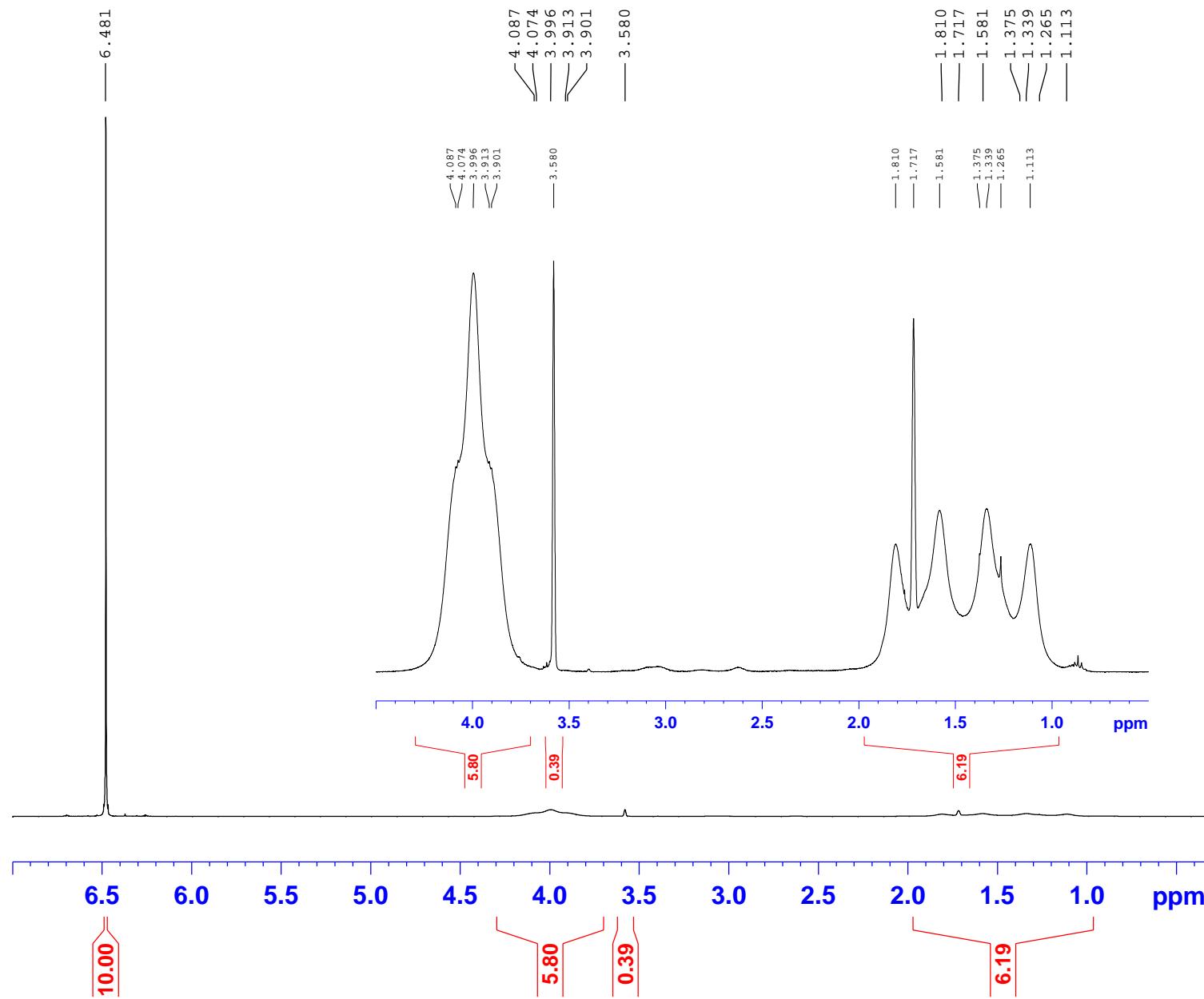
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<sup>11</sup>B NMR (THF-d<sub>8</sub>, 128.4 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1**  $\delta$  (ppm) = -23.0 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 94.4 Hz); **Isomer 2**  $\delta$  (ppm) = -22.4 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>BH</sub> = 94.4 Hz).

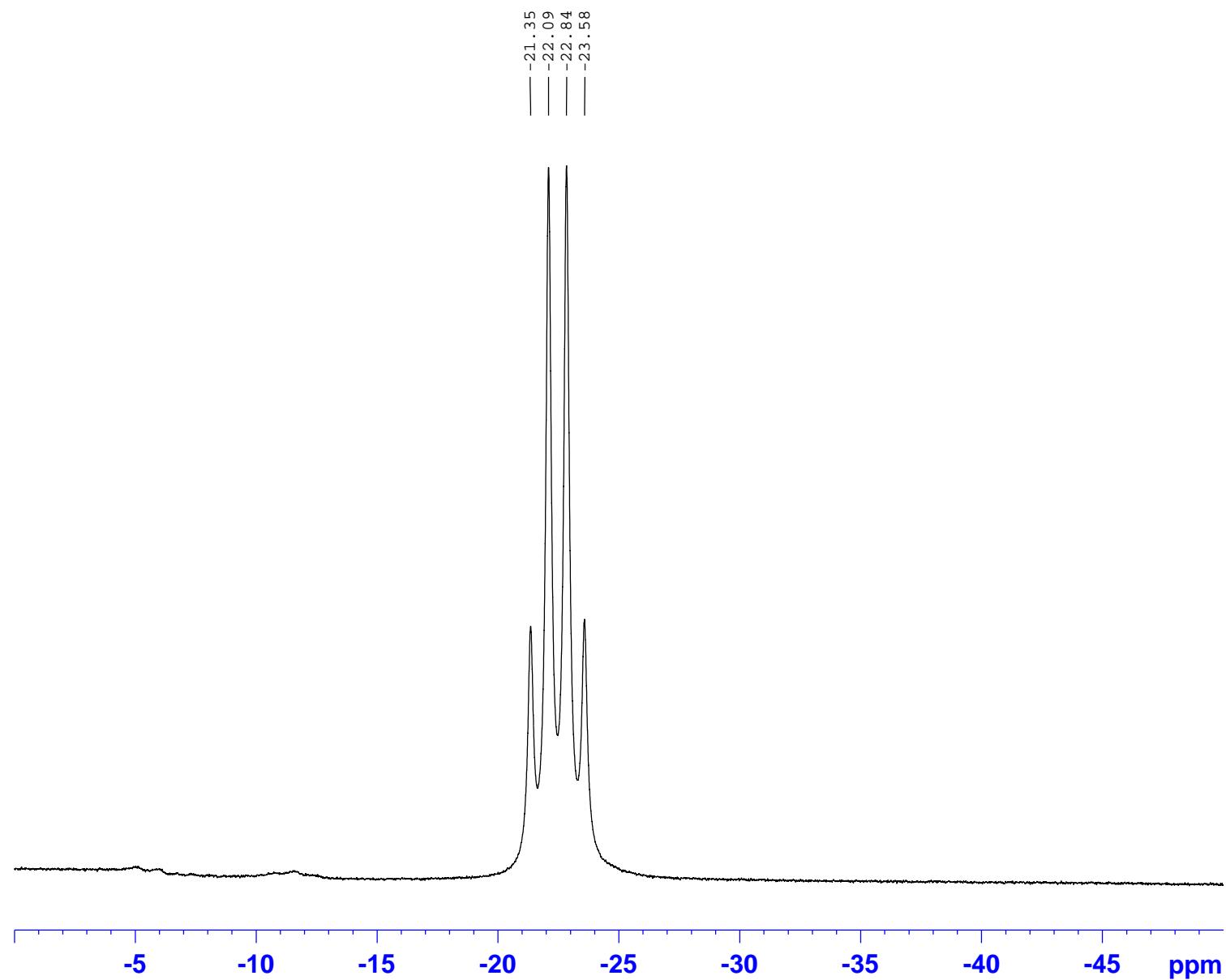
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<sup>13</sup>C NMR (THF-d<sub>8</sub>, 100.6 MHz, 20 °C): **Isomer 1**  $\delta$  (ppm) = 112.20 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>);  $\delta$  (ppm) = 115.07 (C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>).

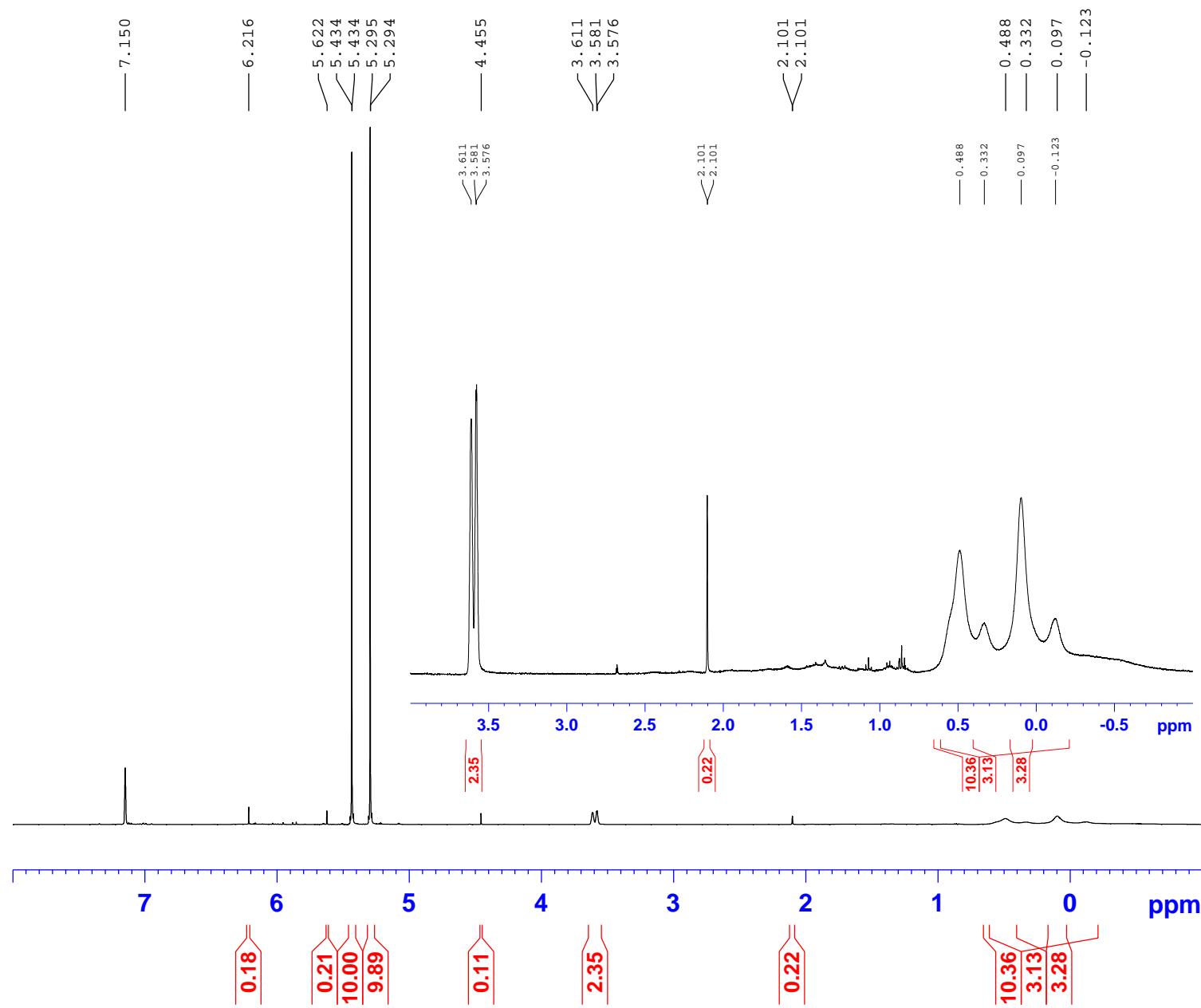
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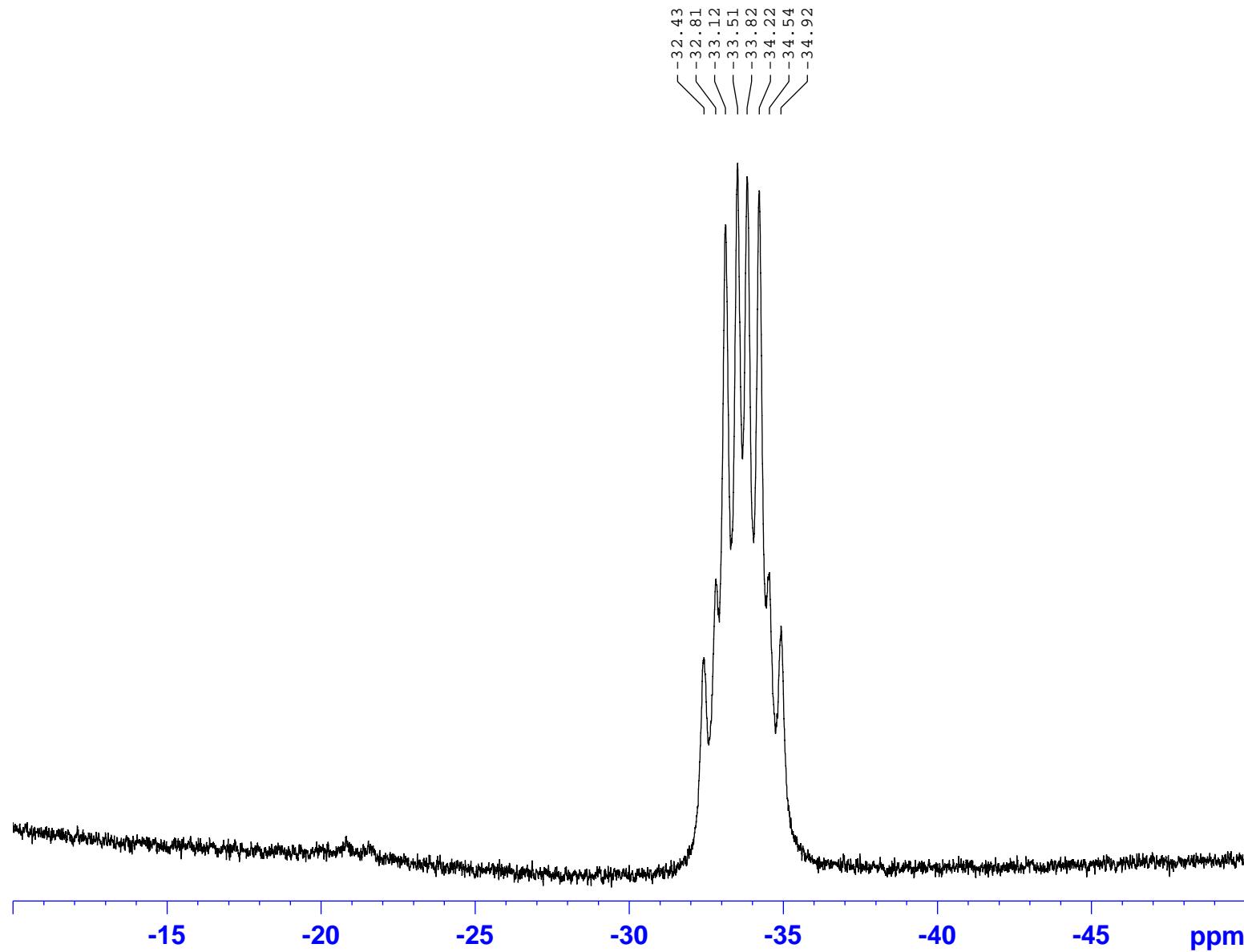
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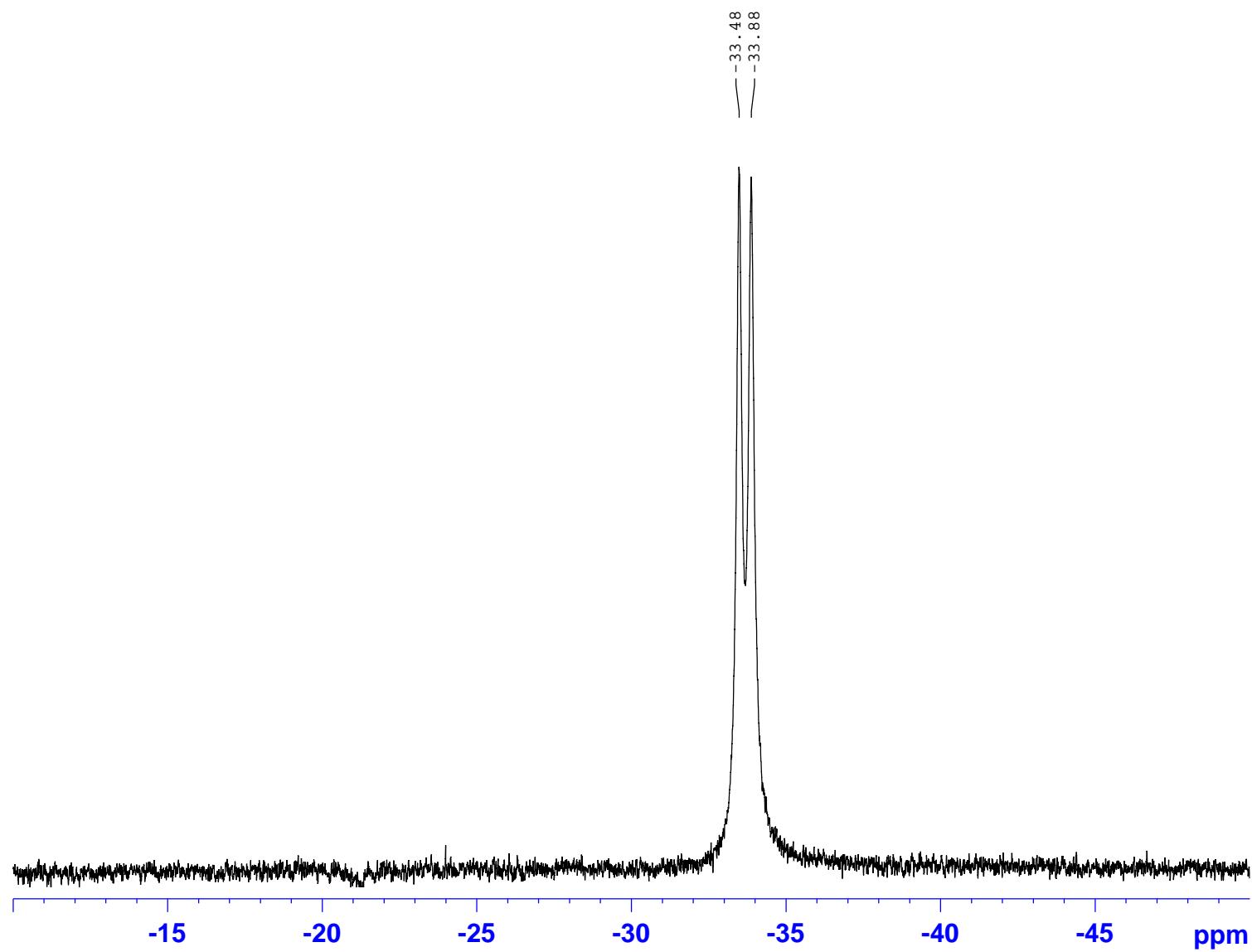
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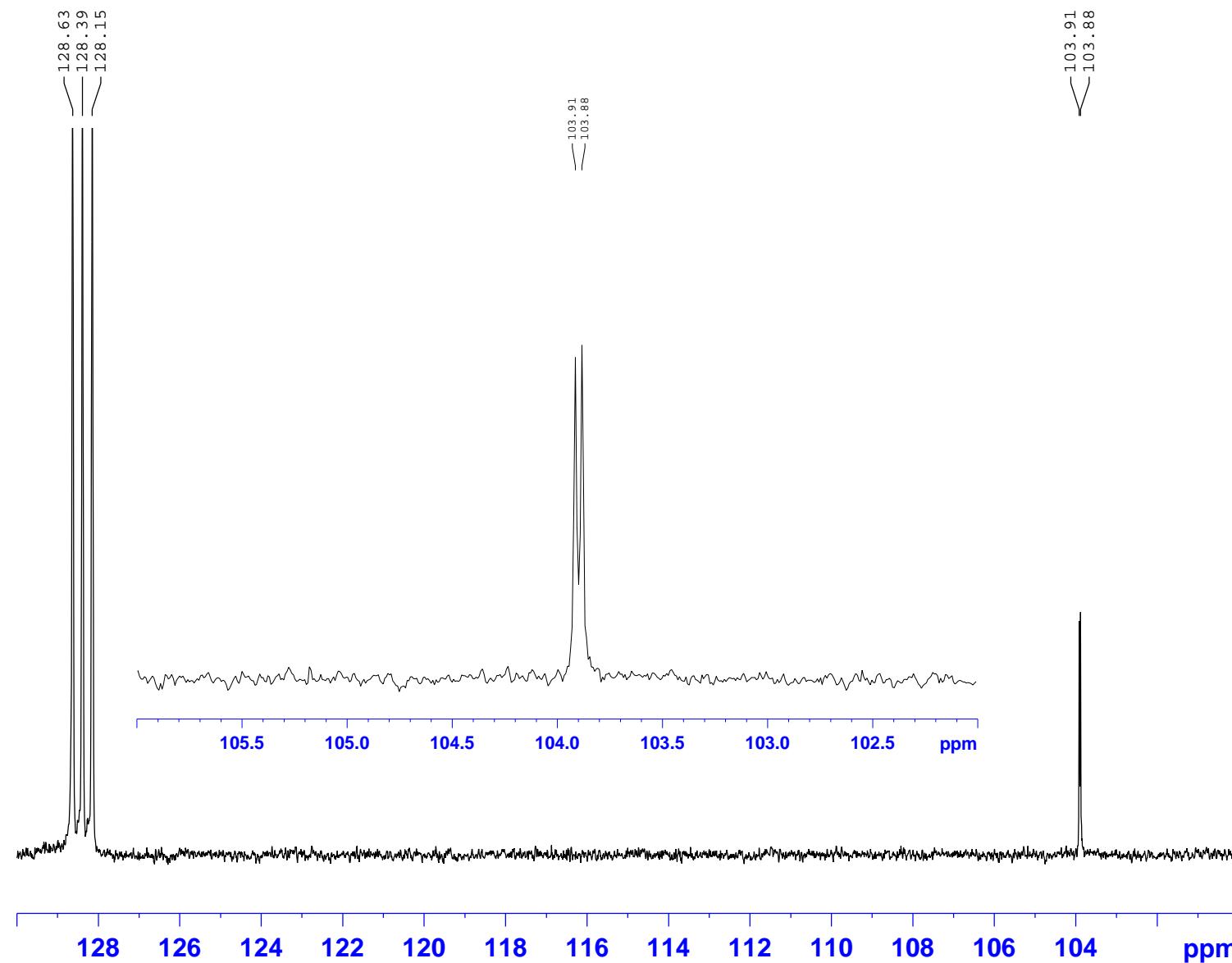
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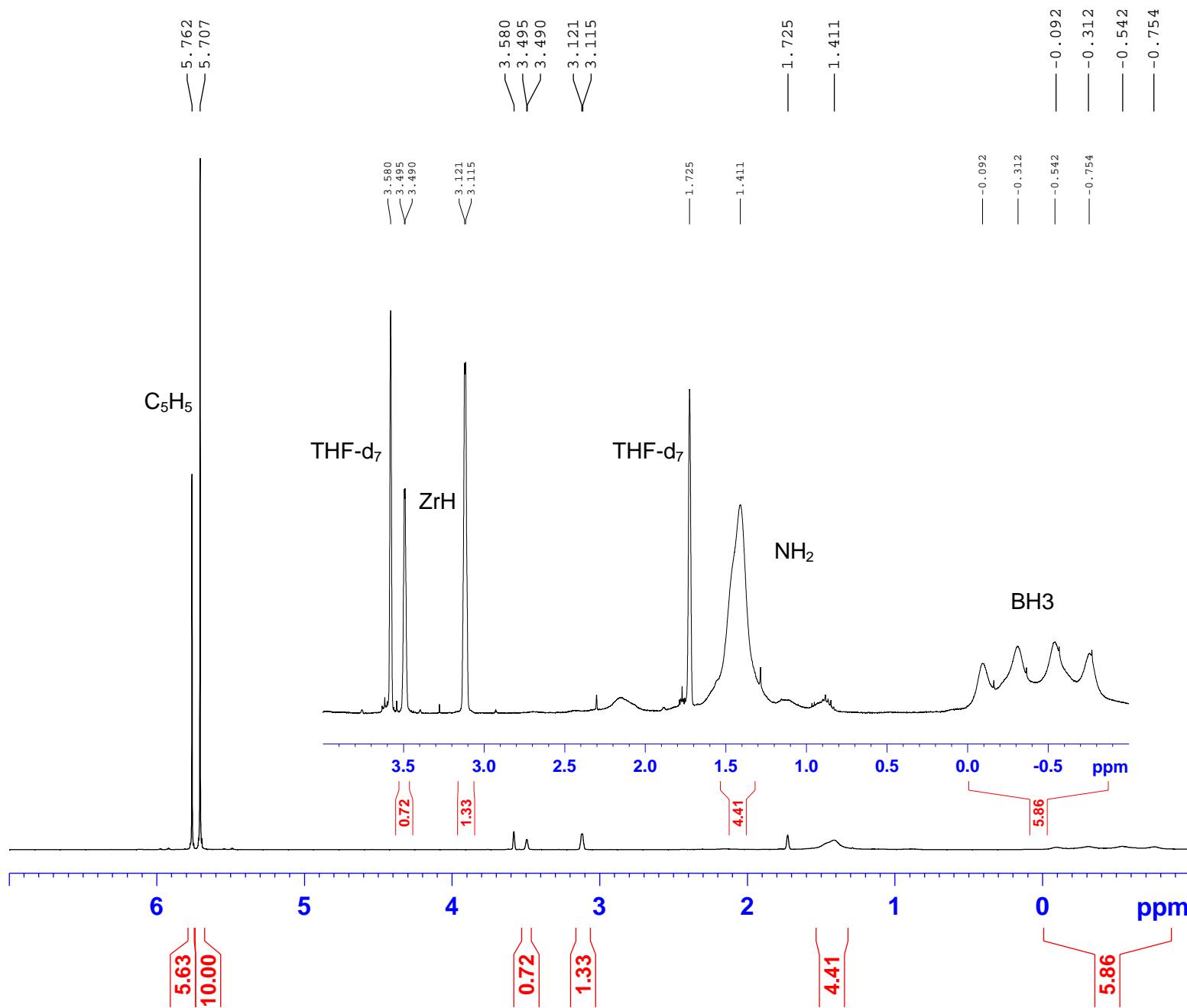
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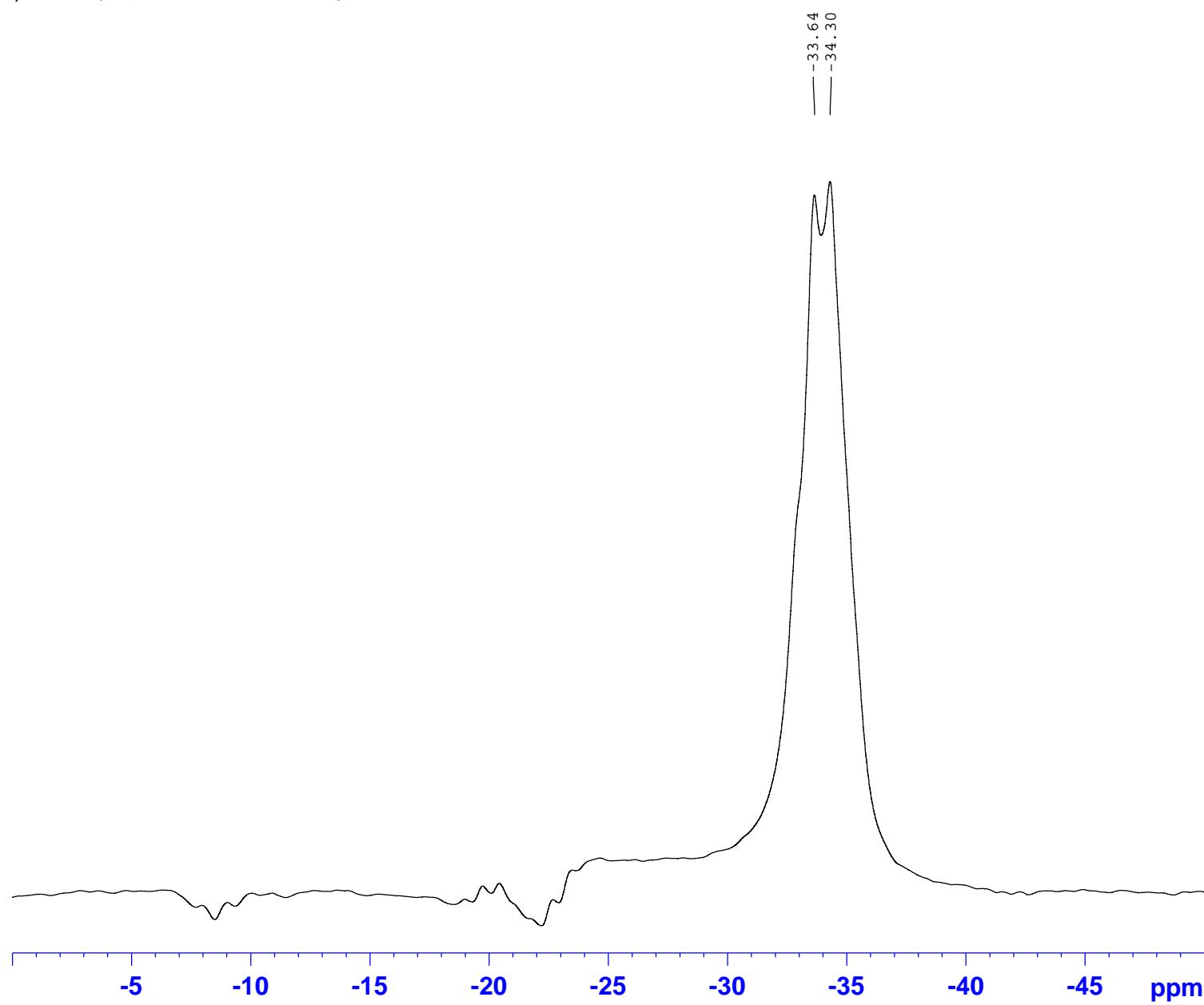
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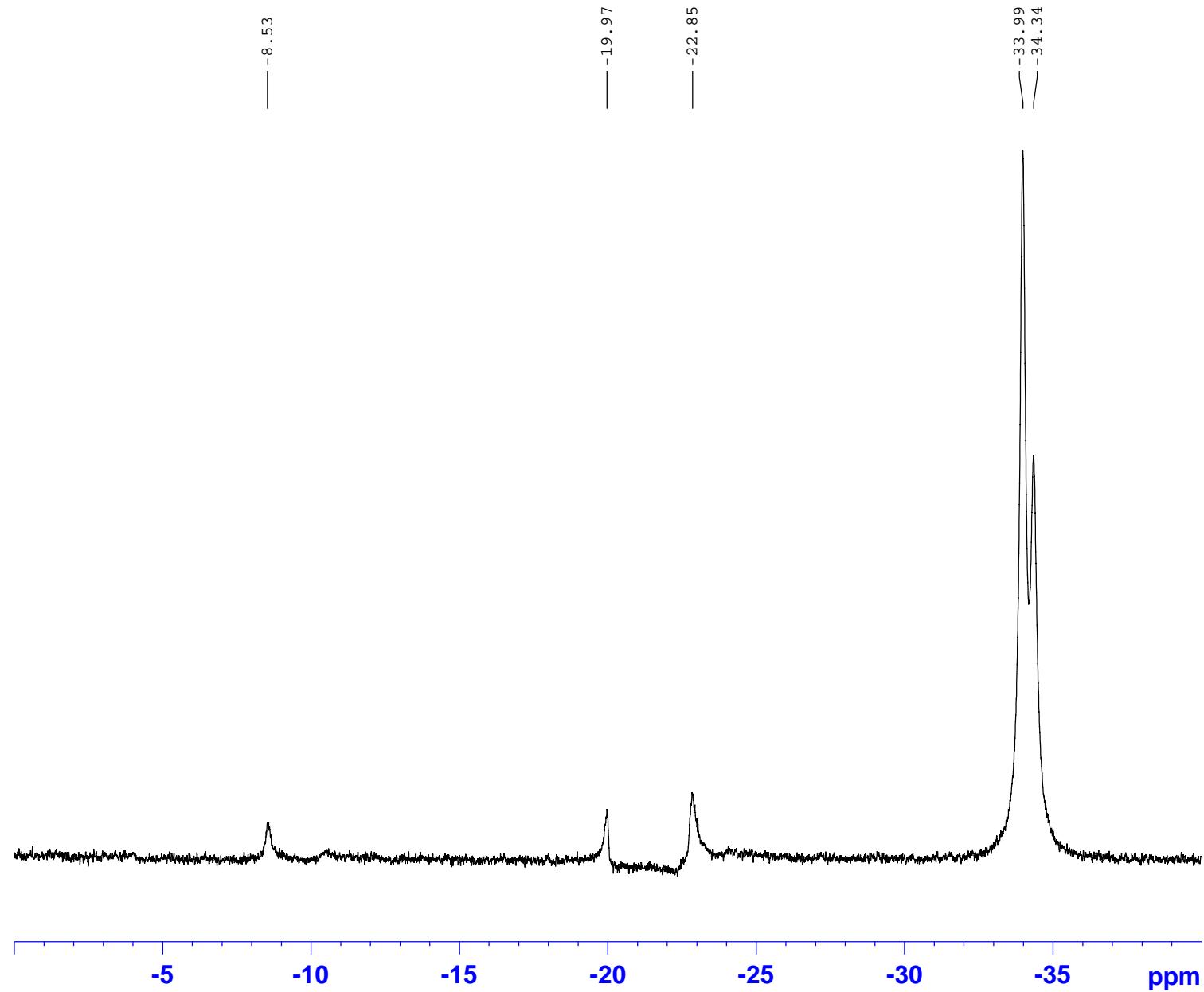
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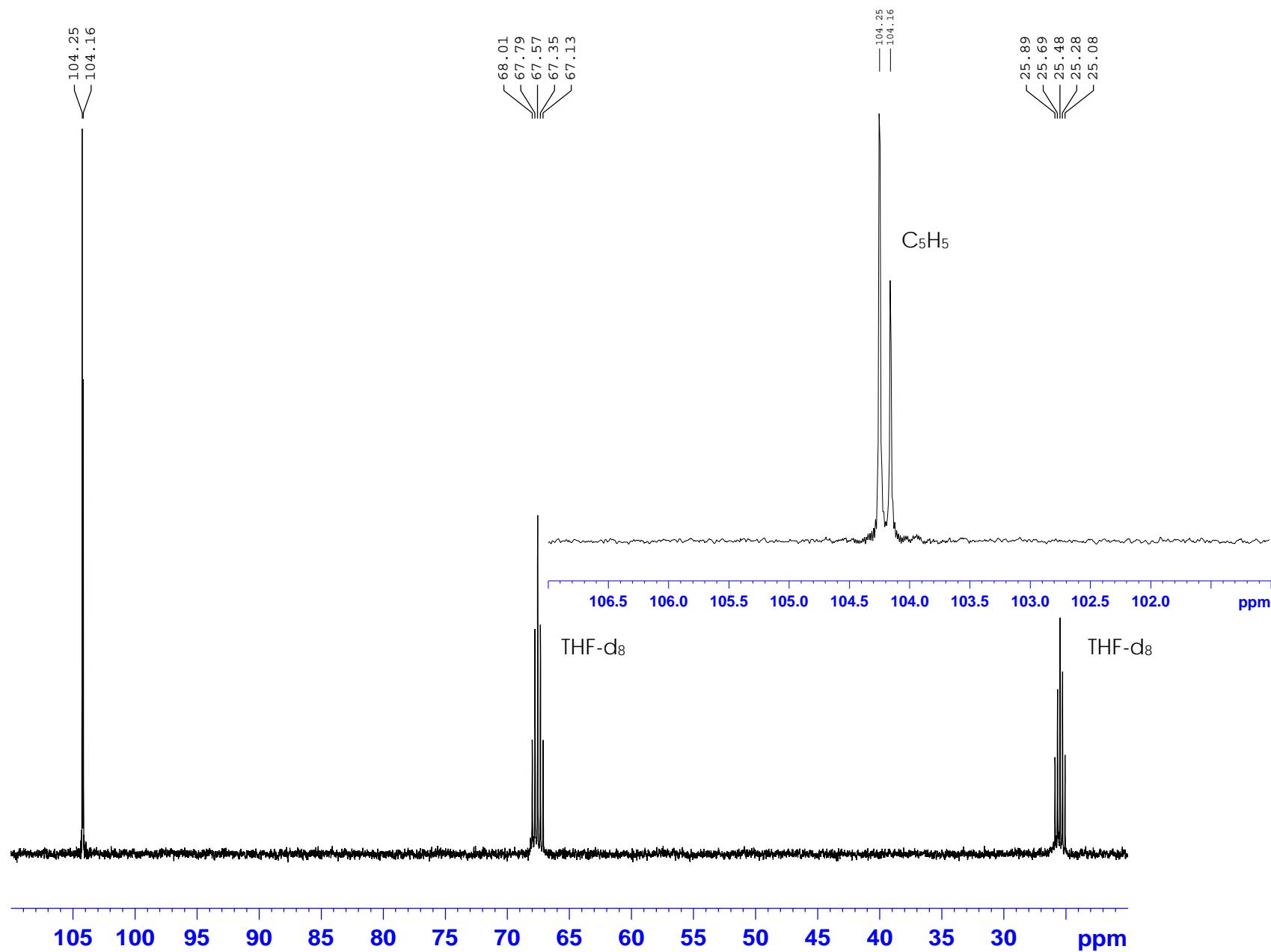
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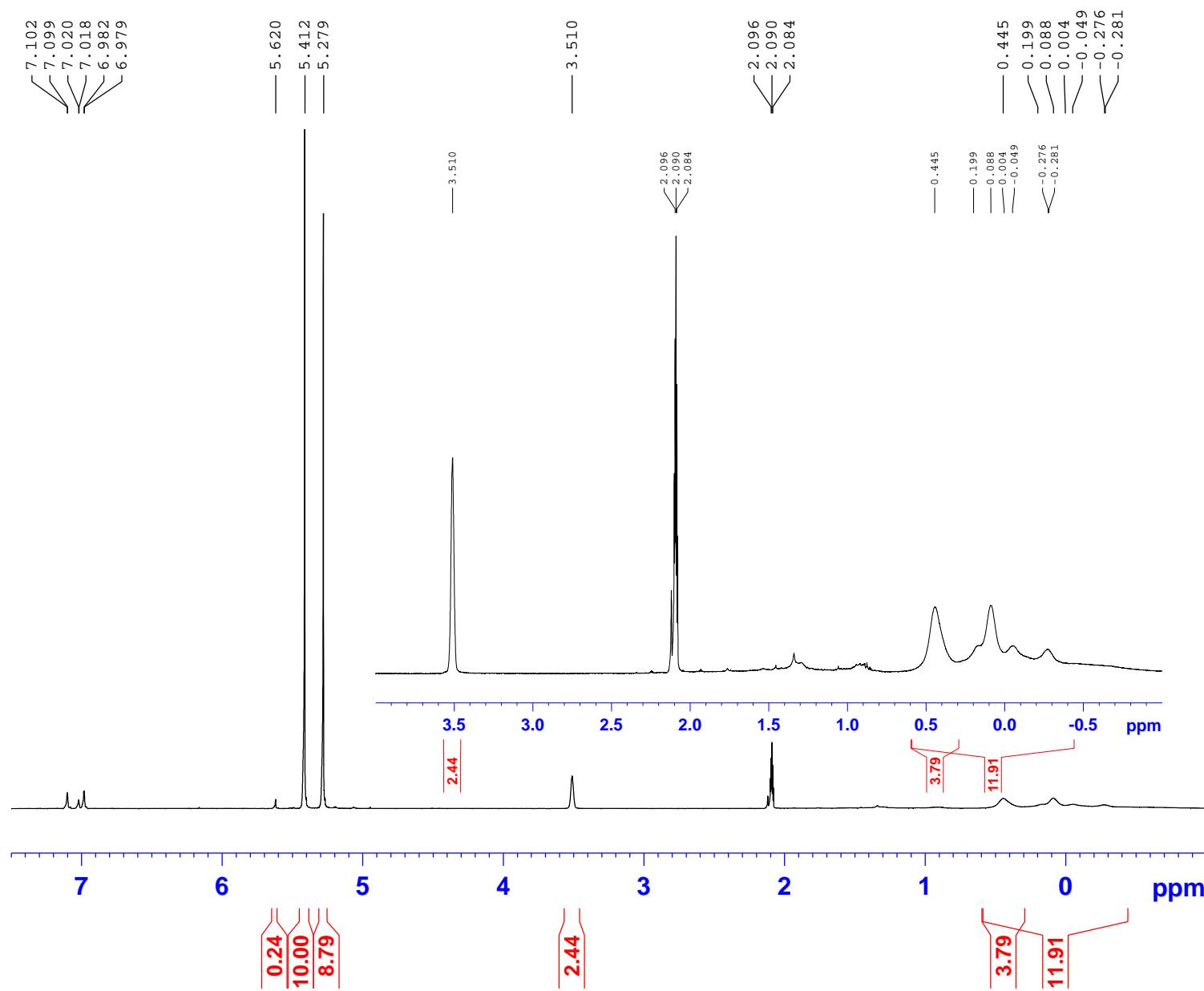
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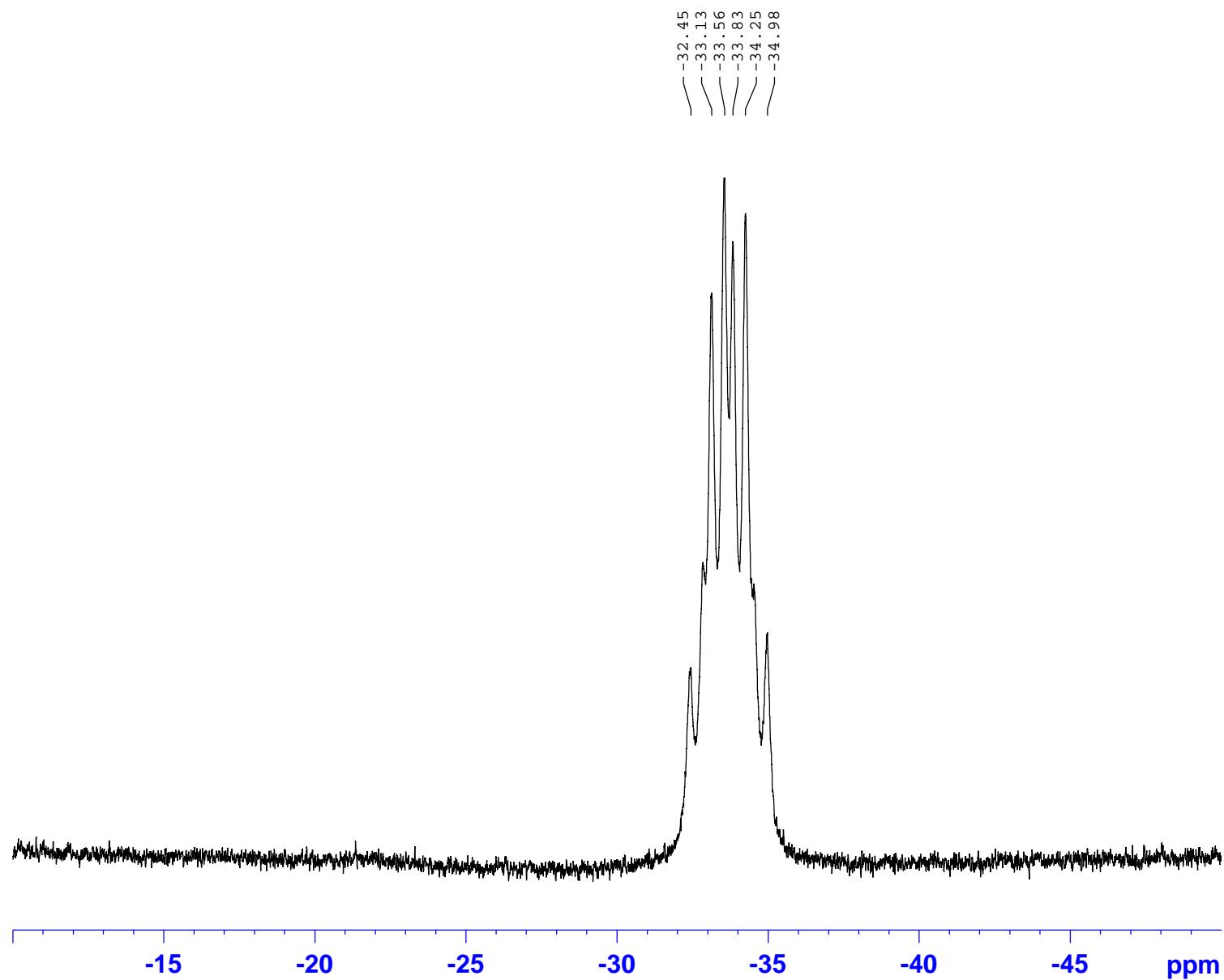
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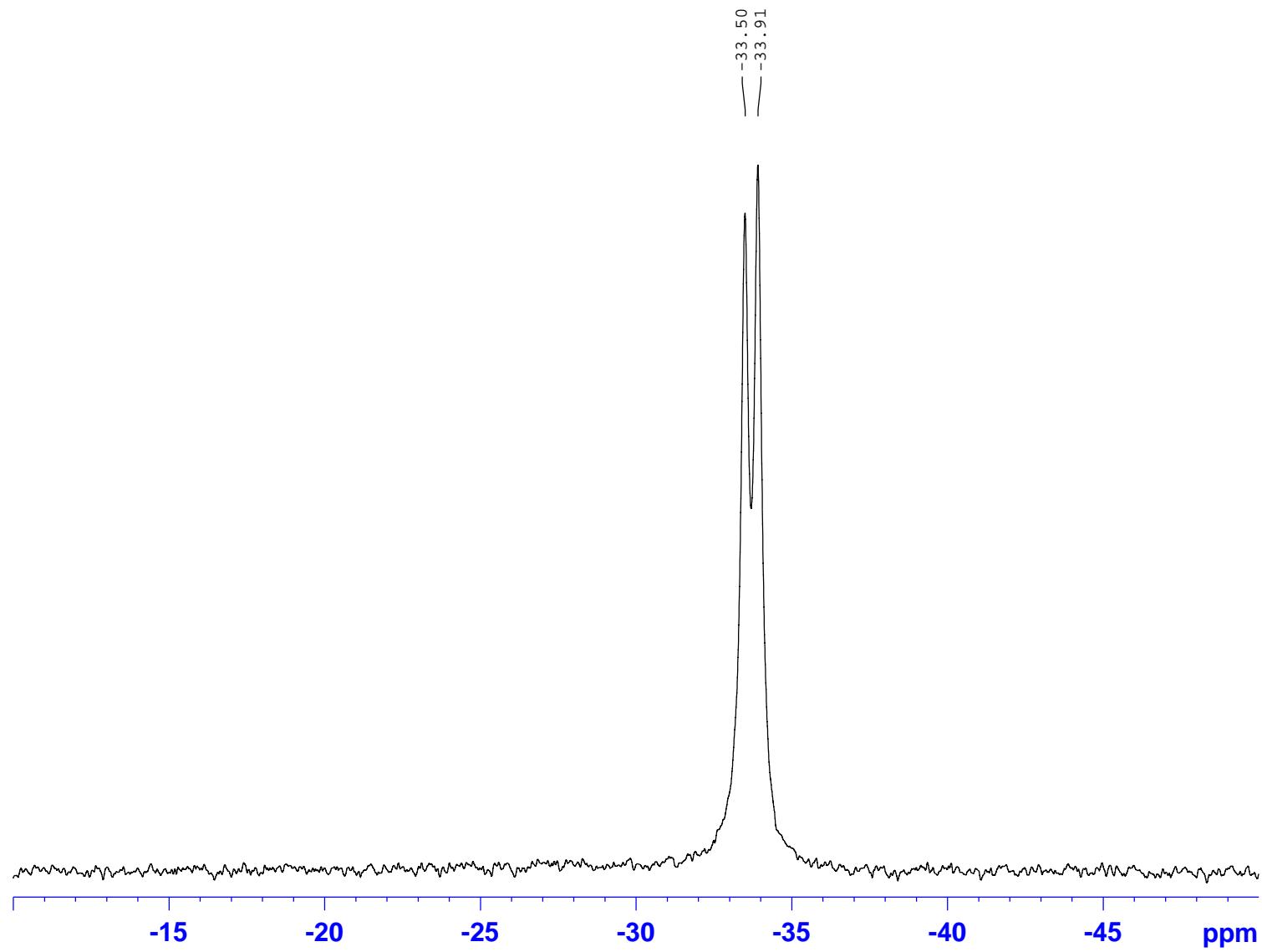
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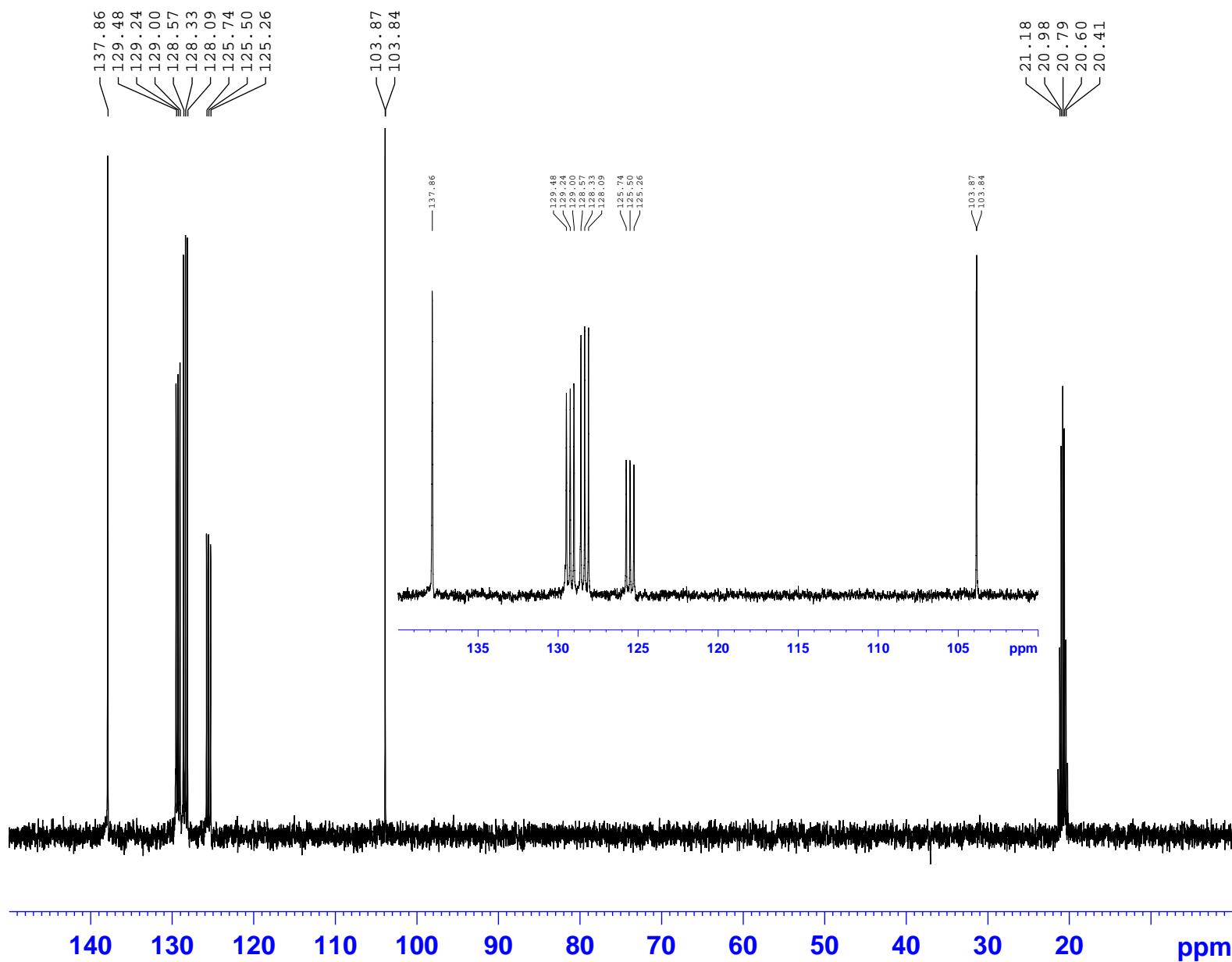
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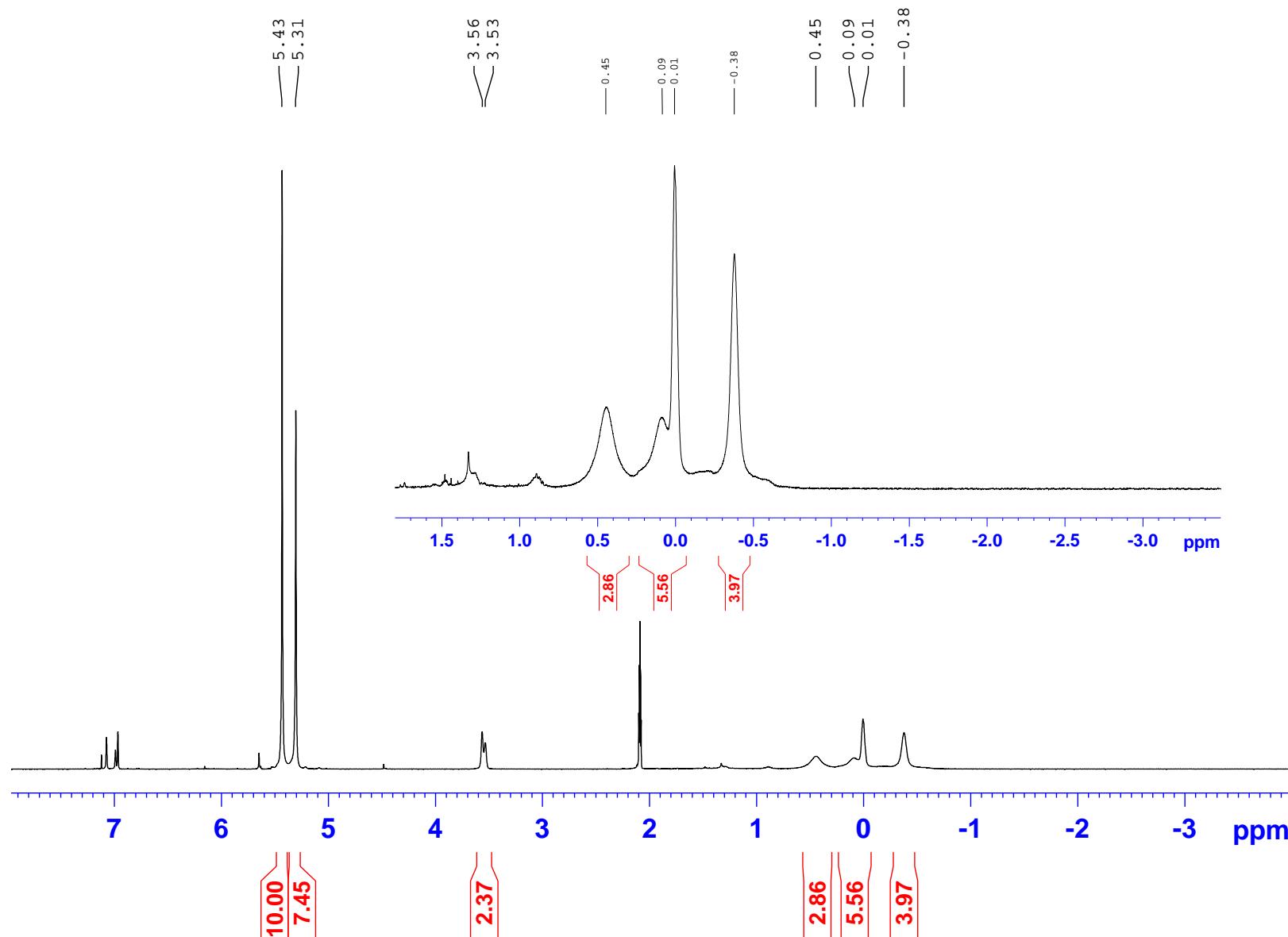
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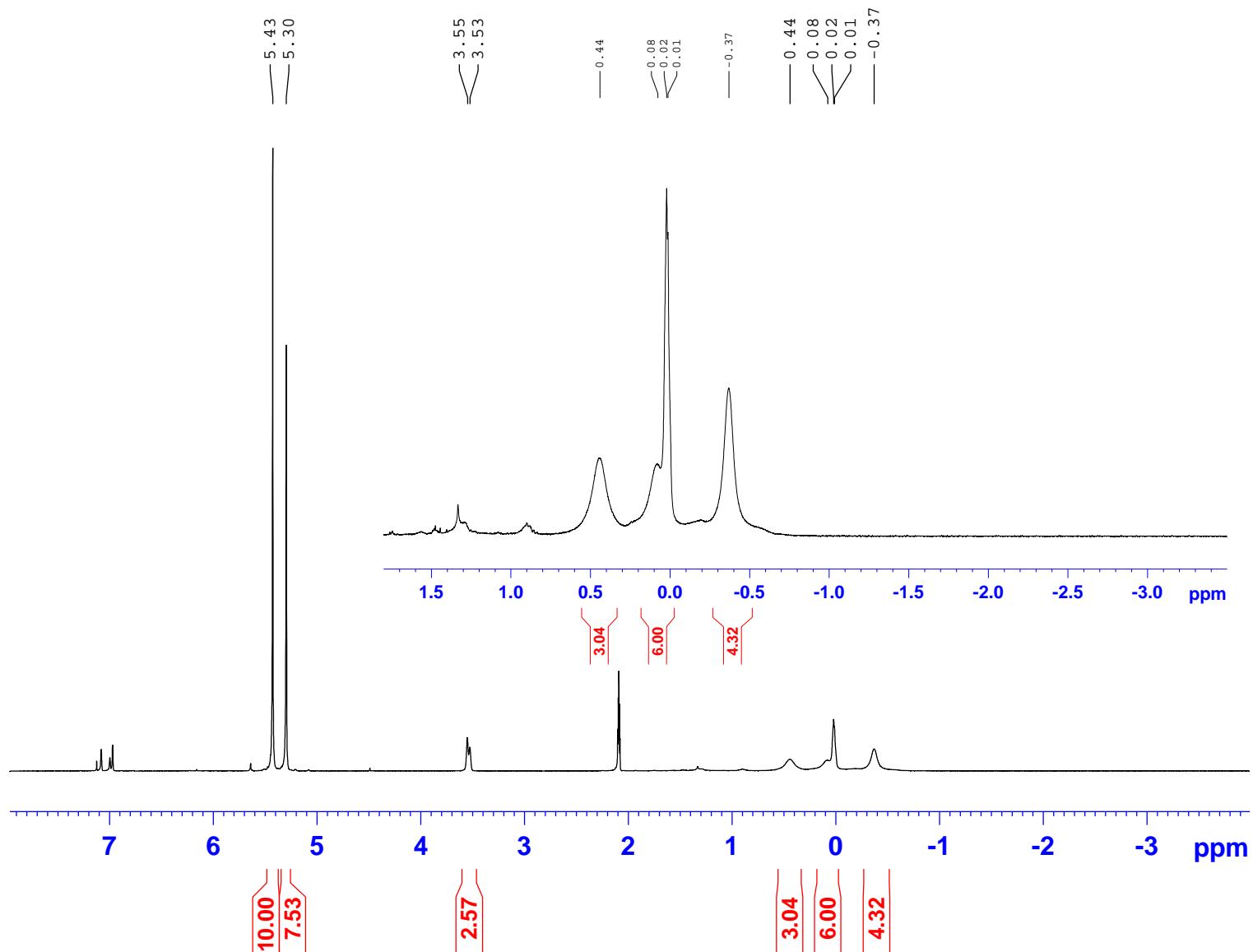
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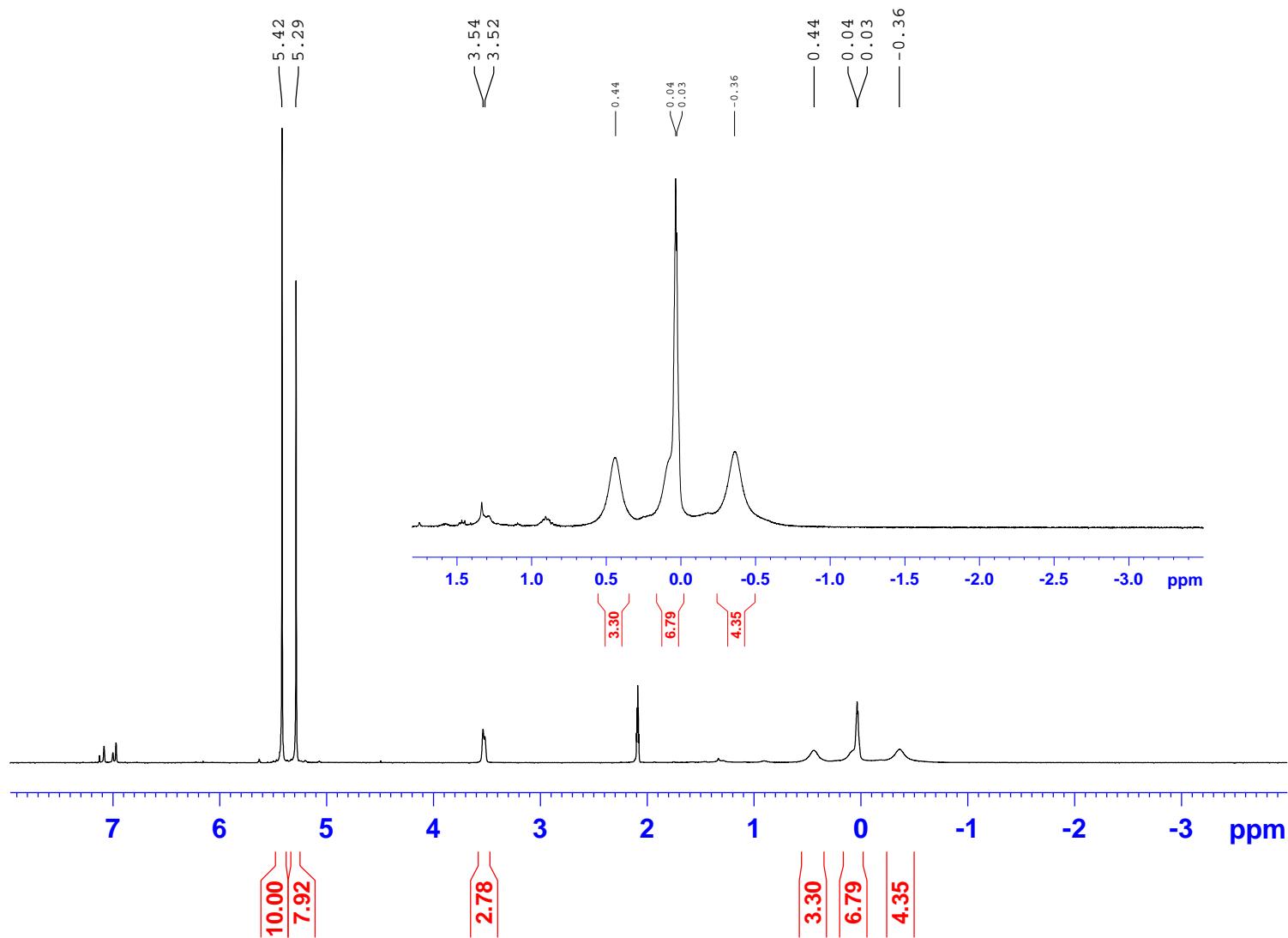
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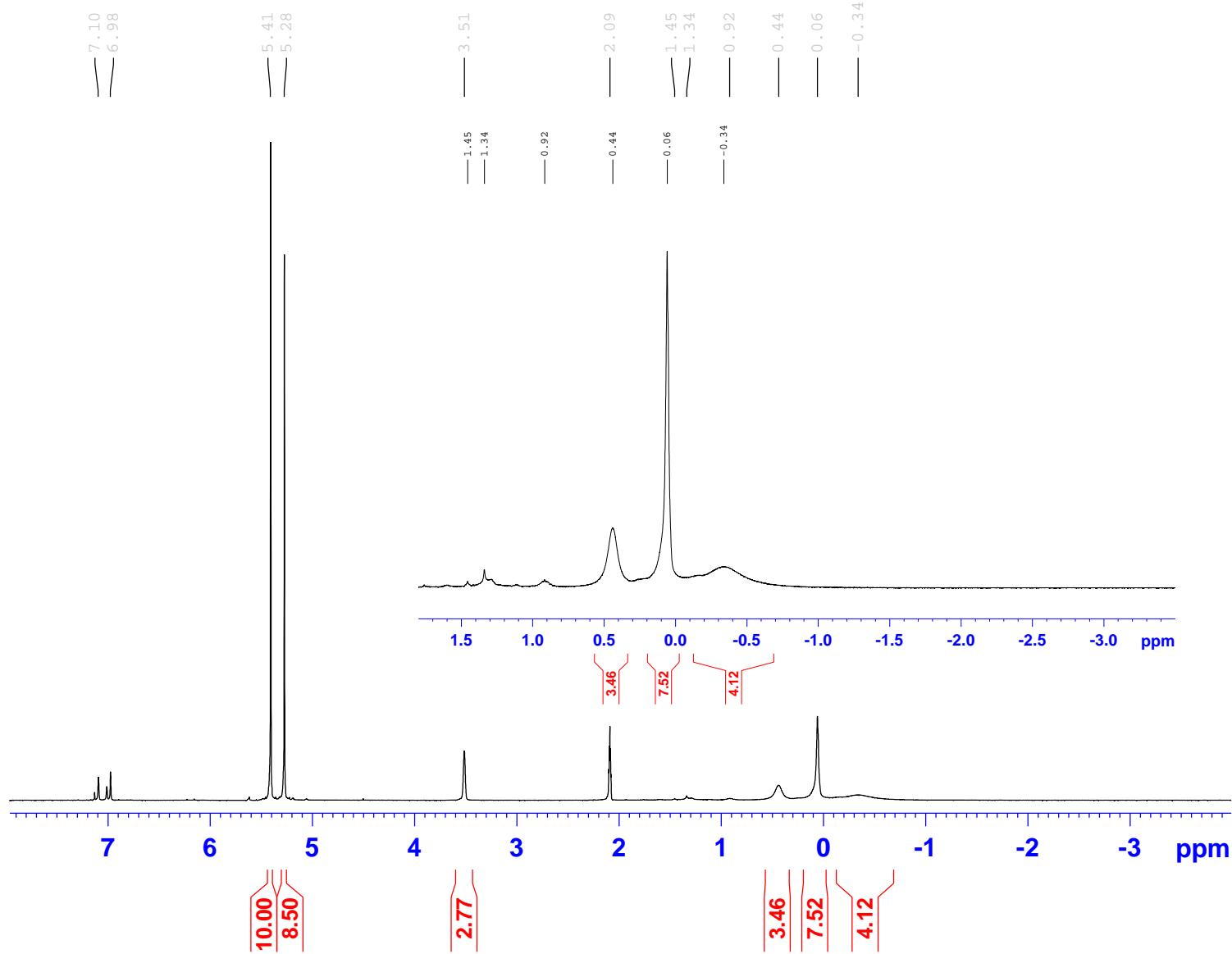
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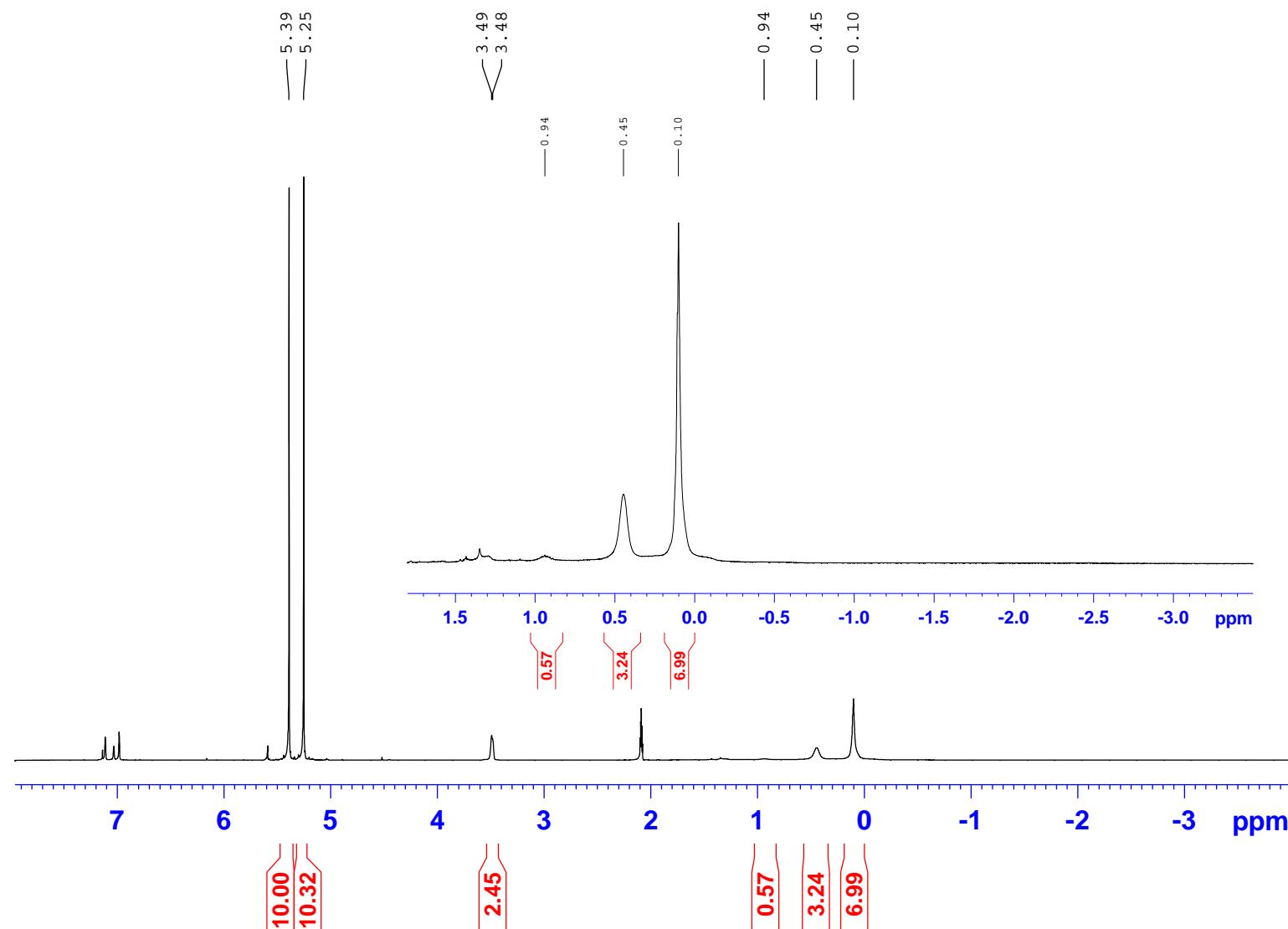
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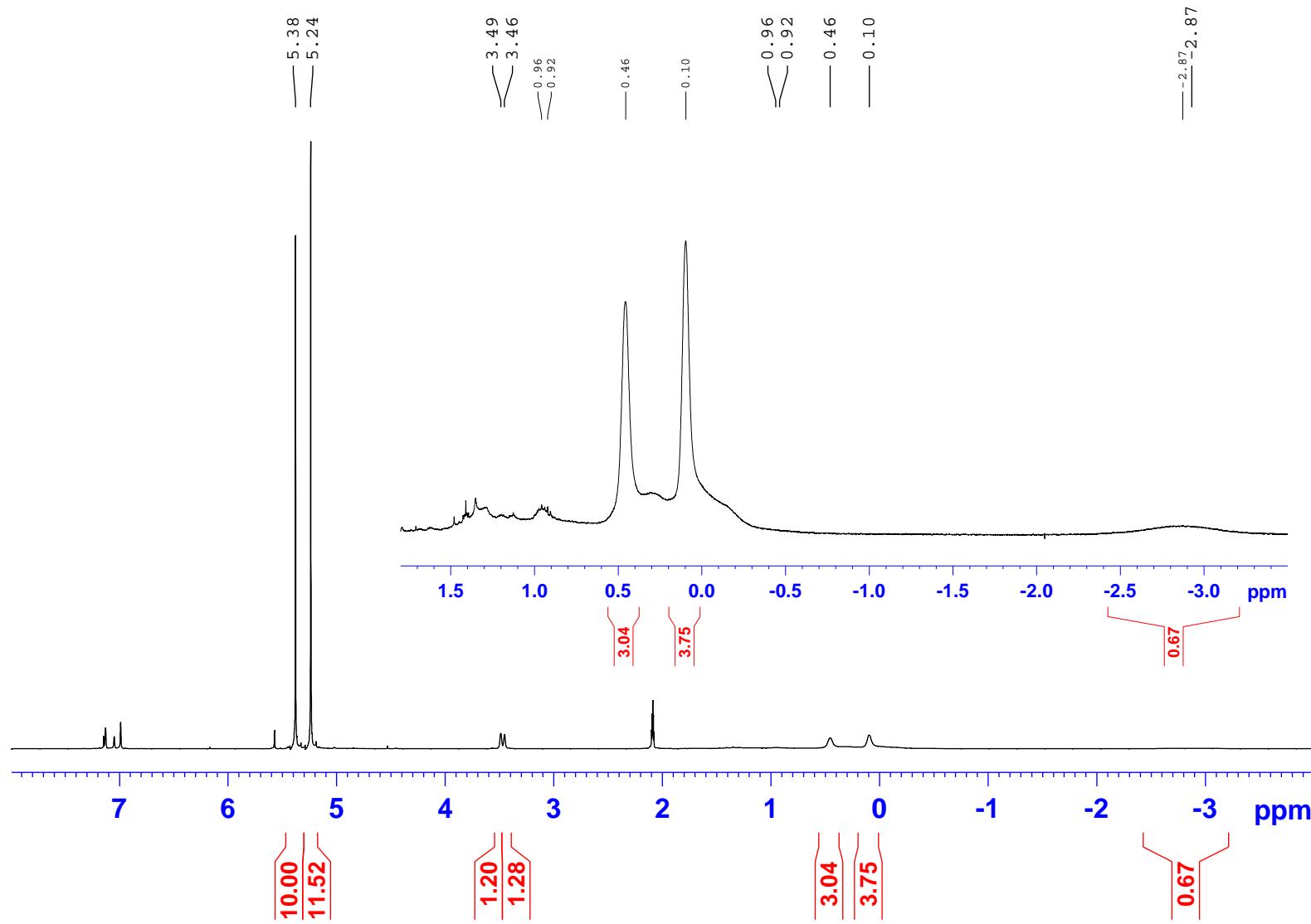
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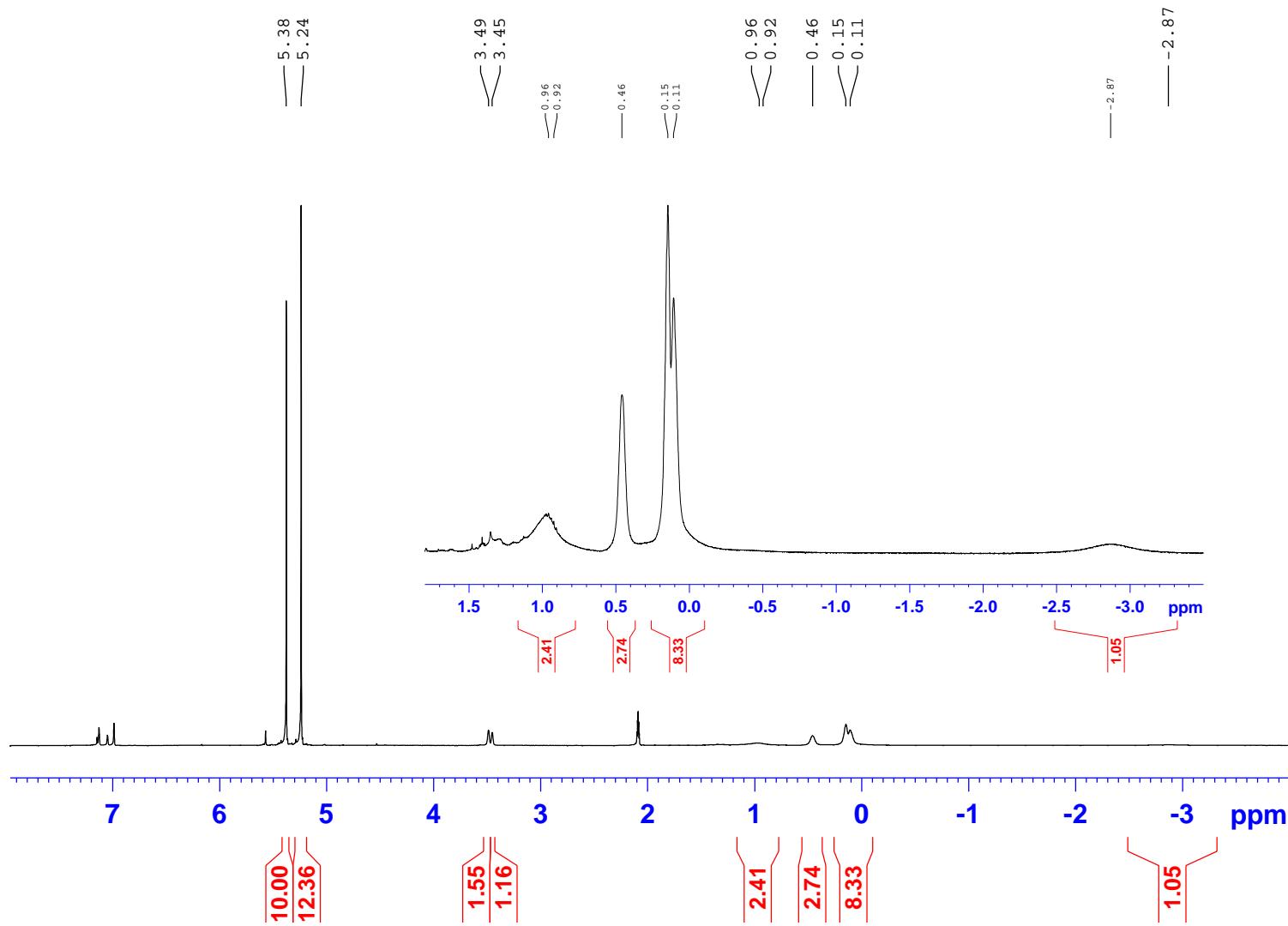
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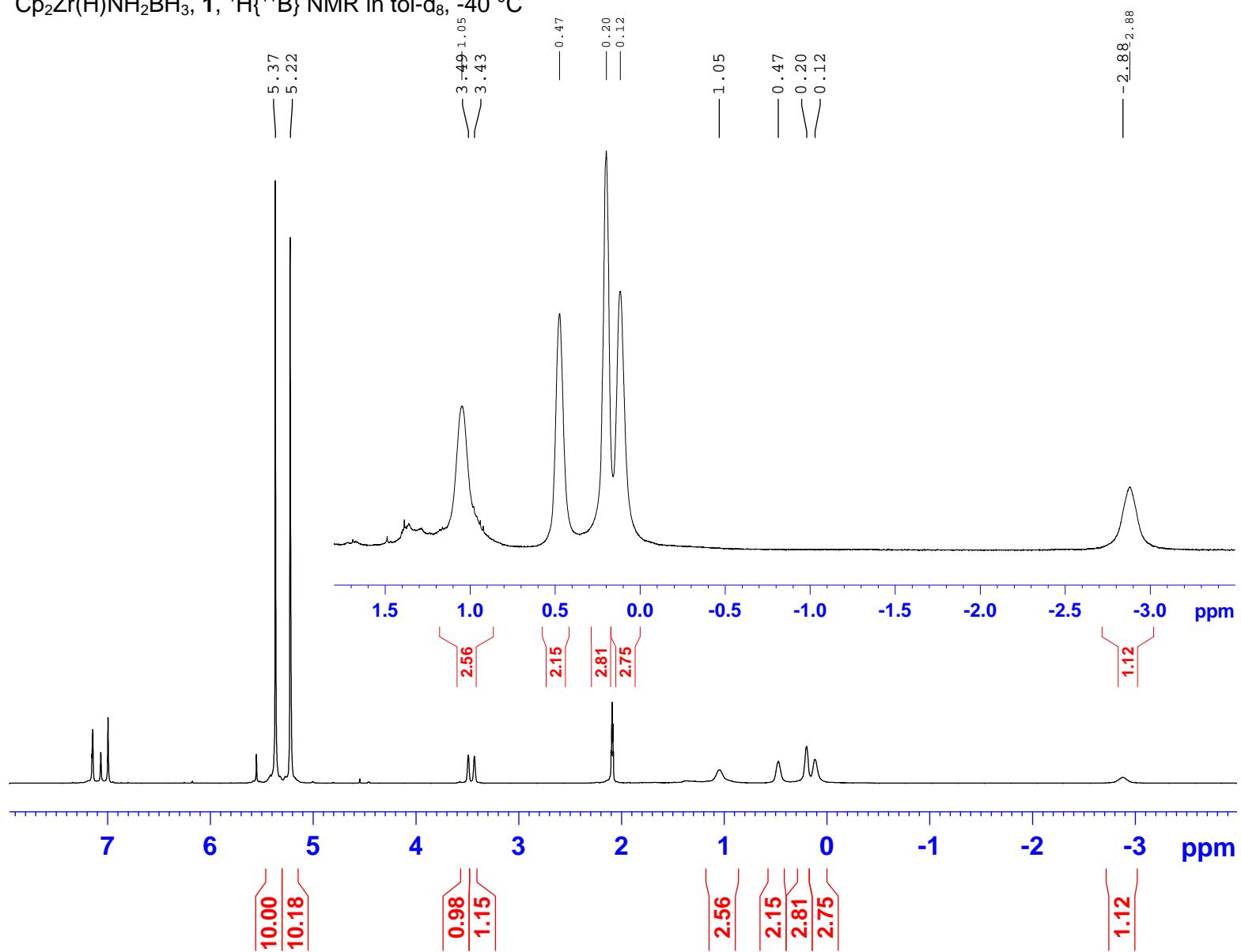
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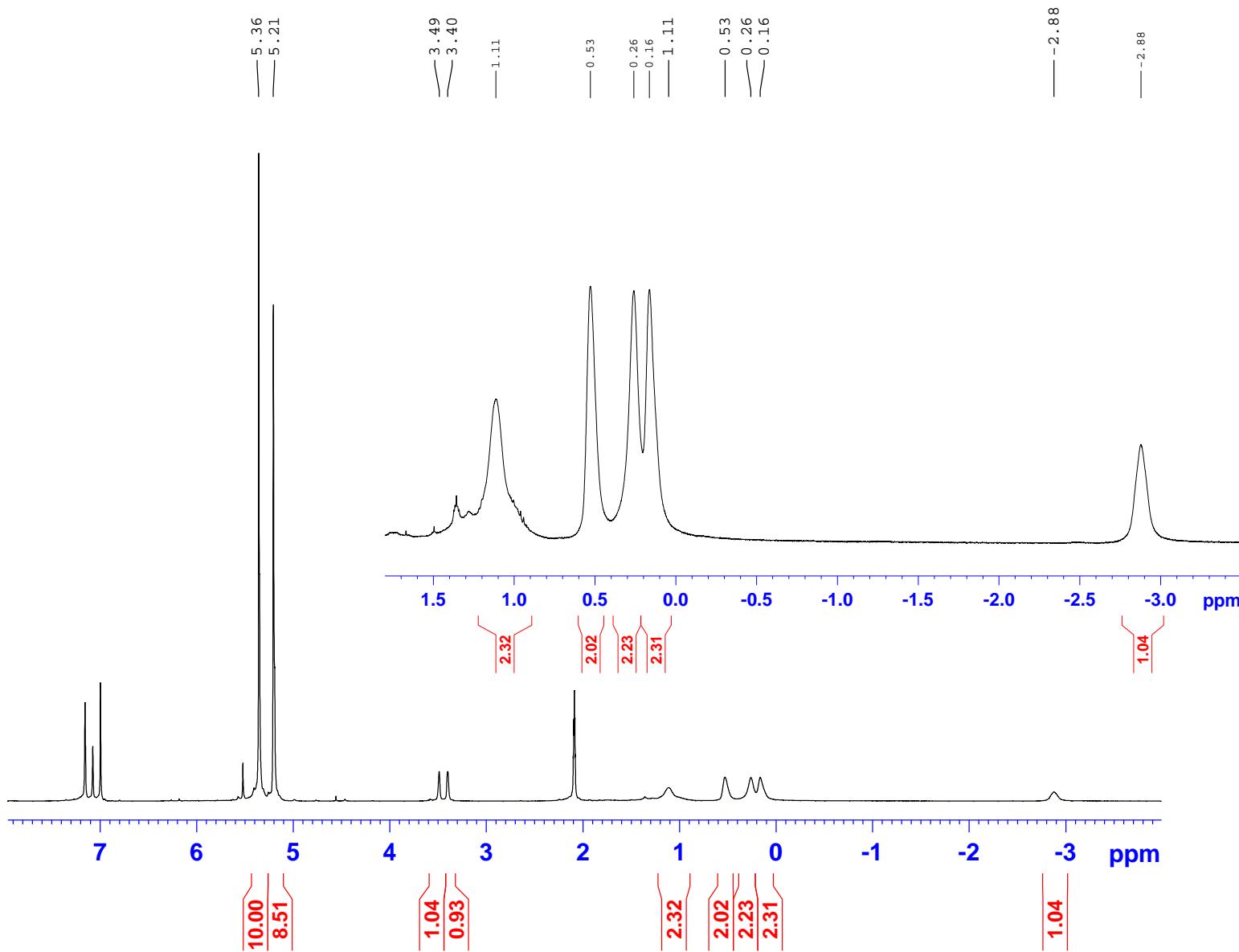
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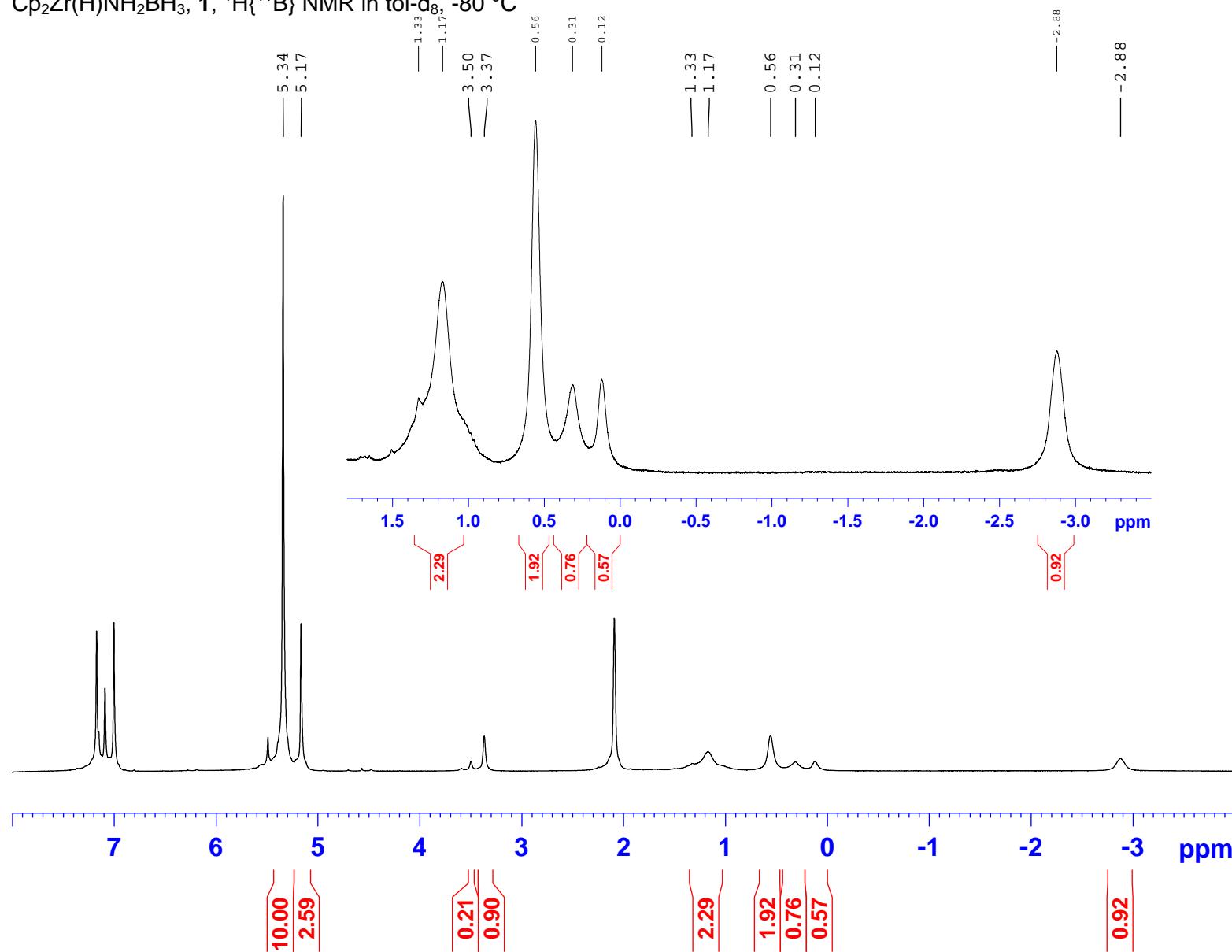
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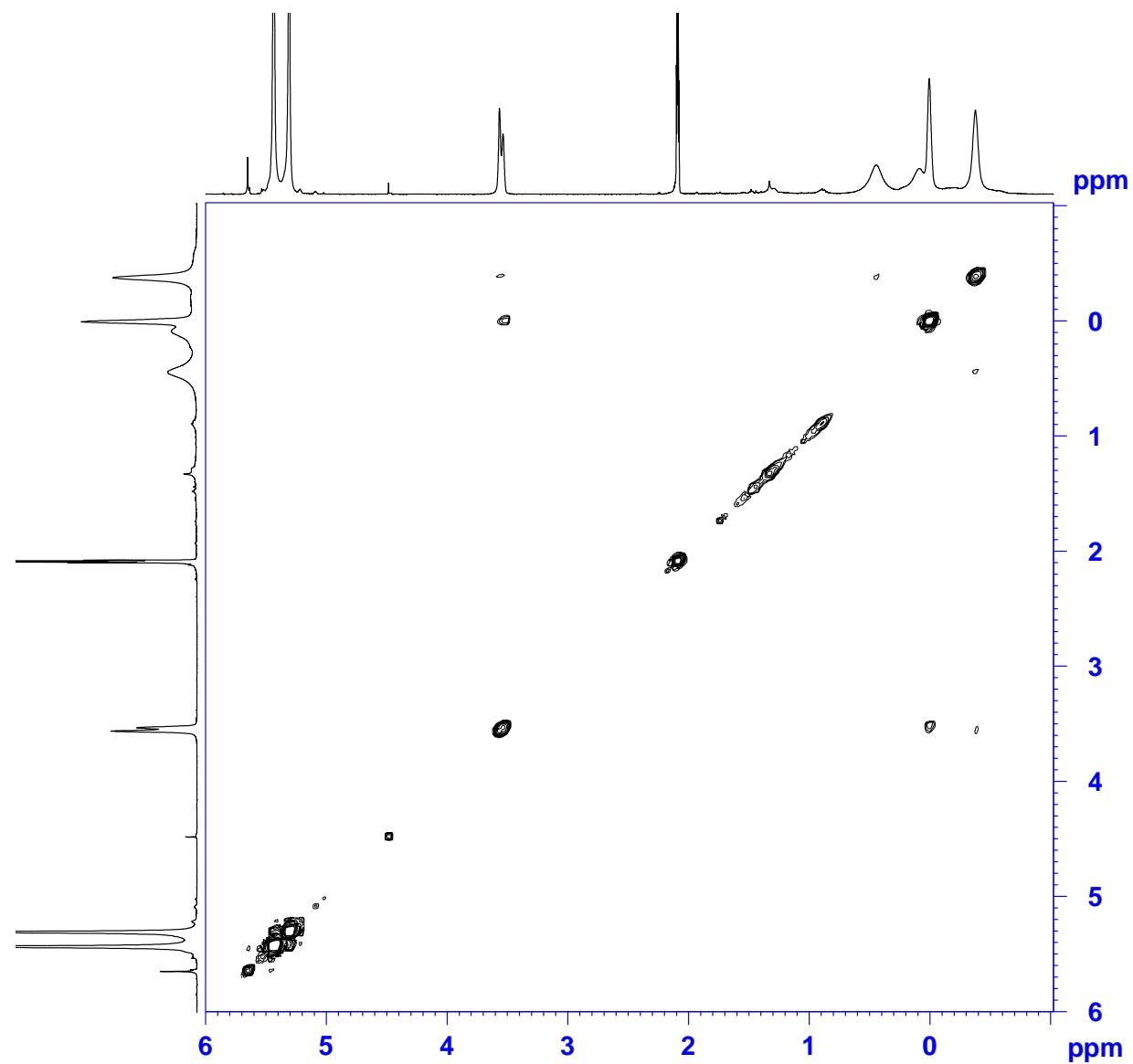
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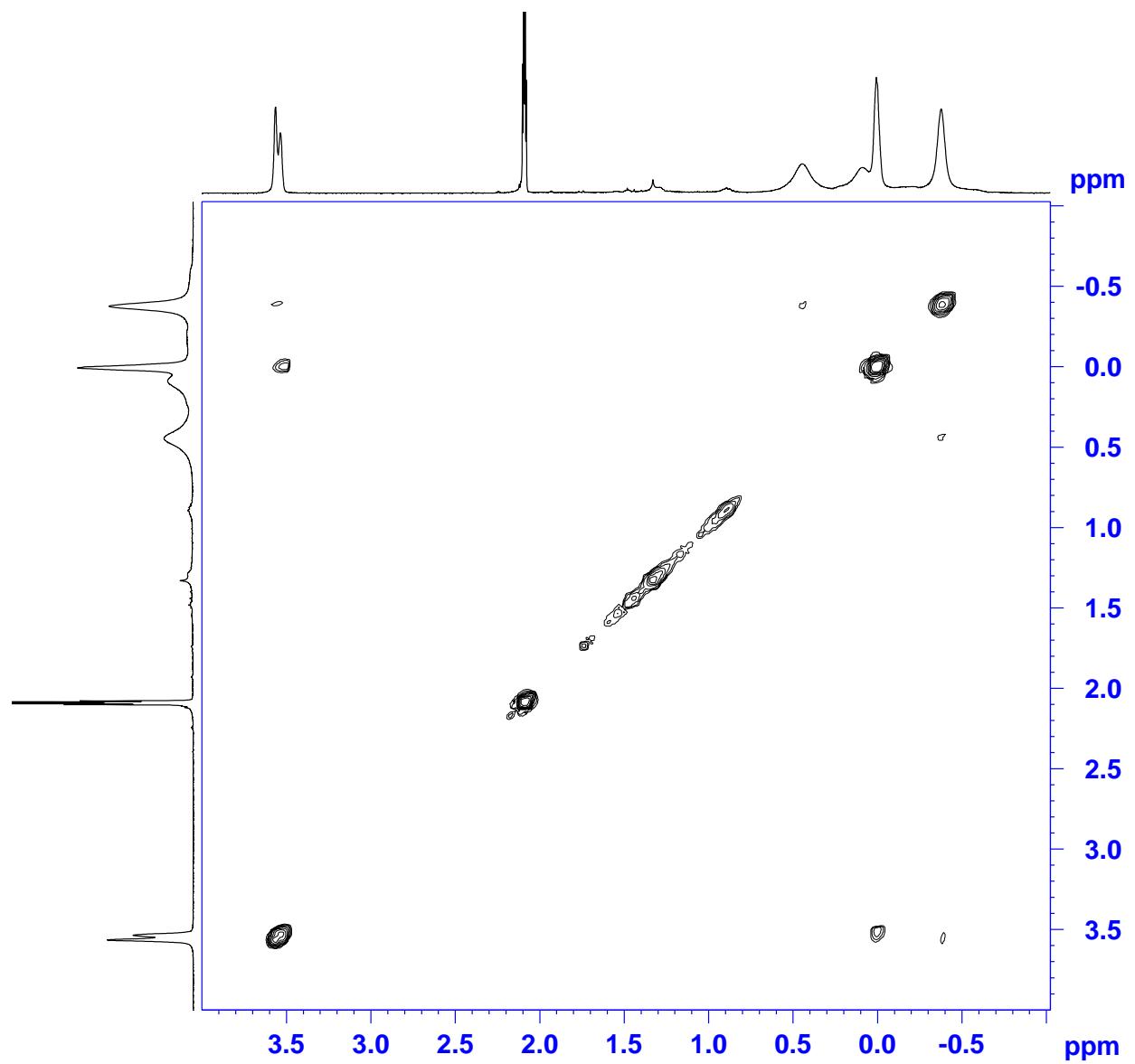
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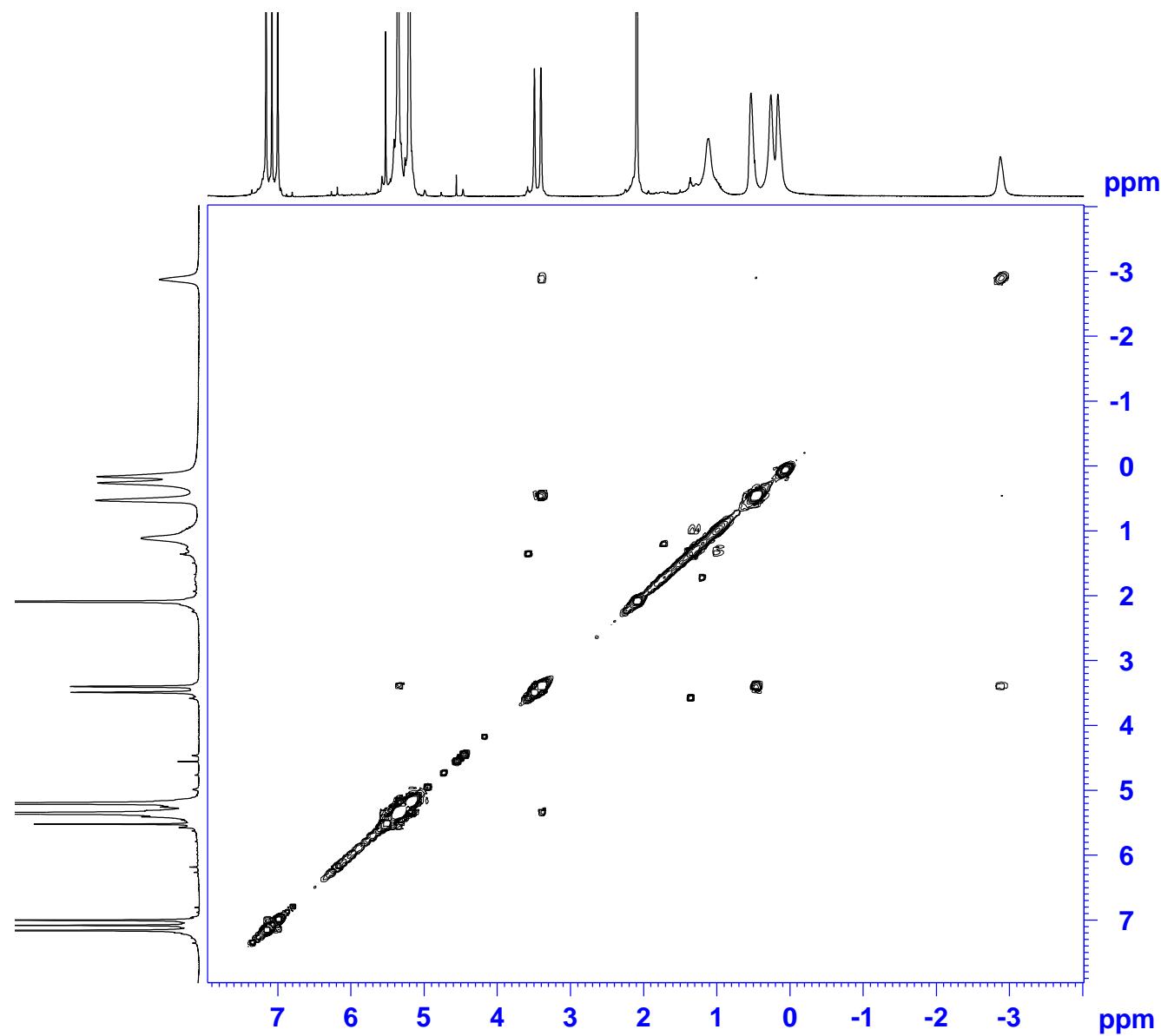
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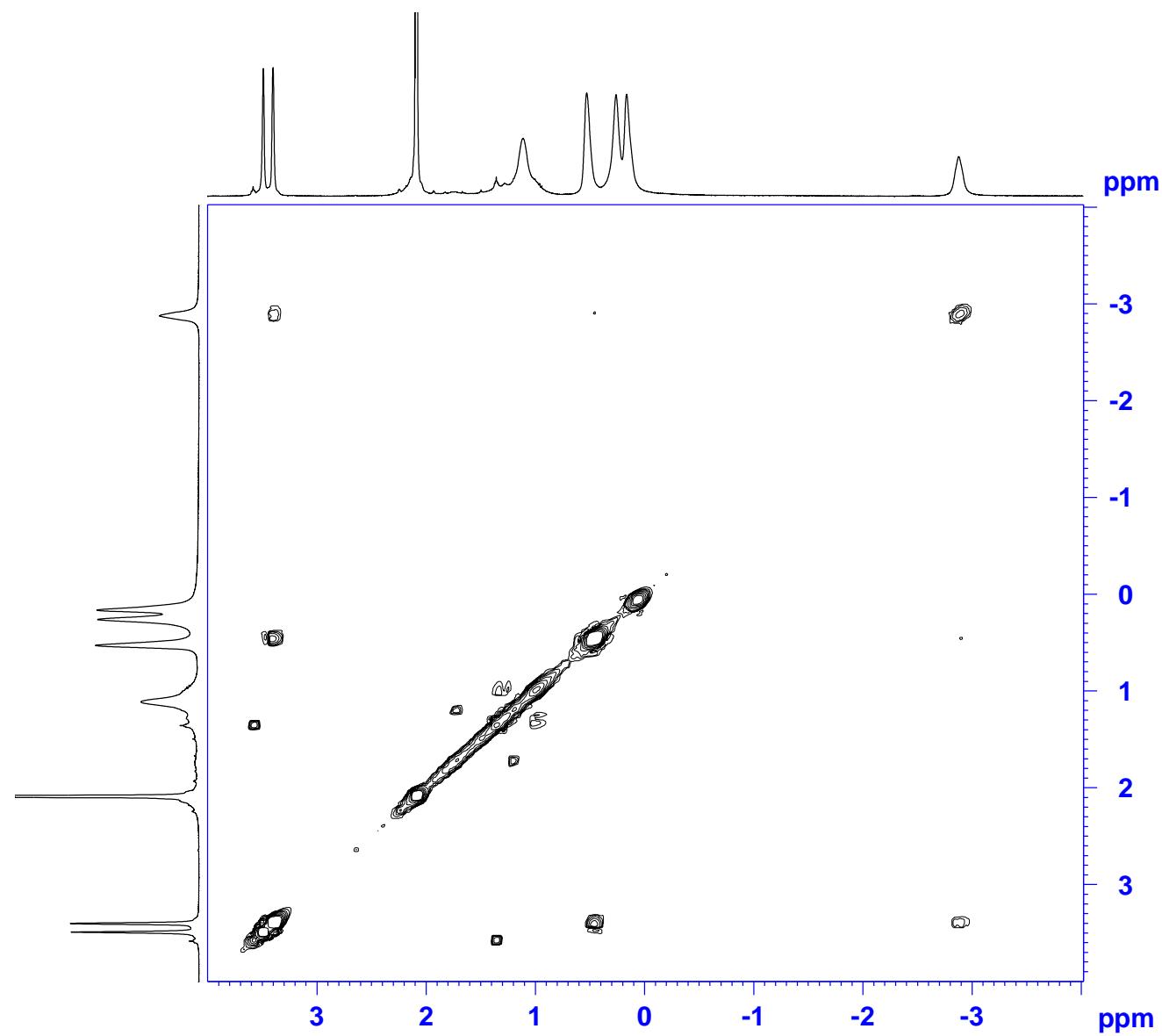
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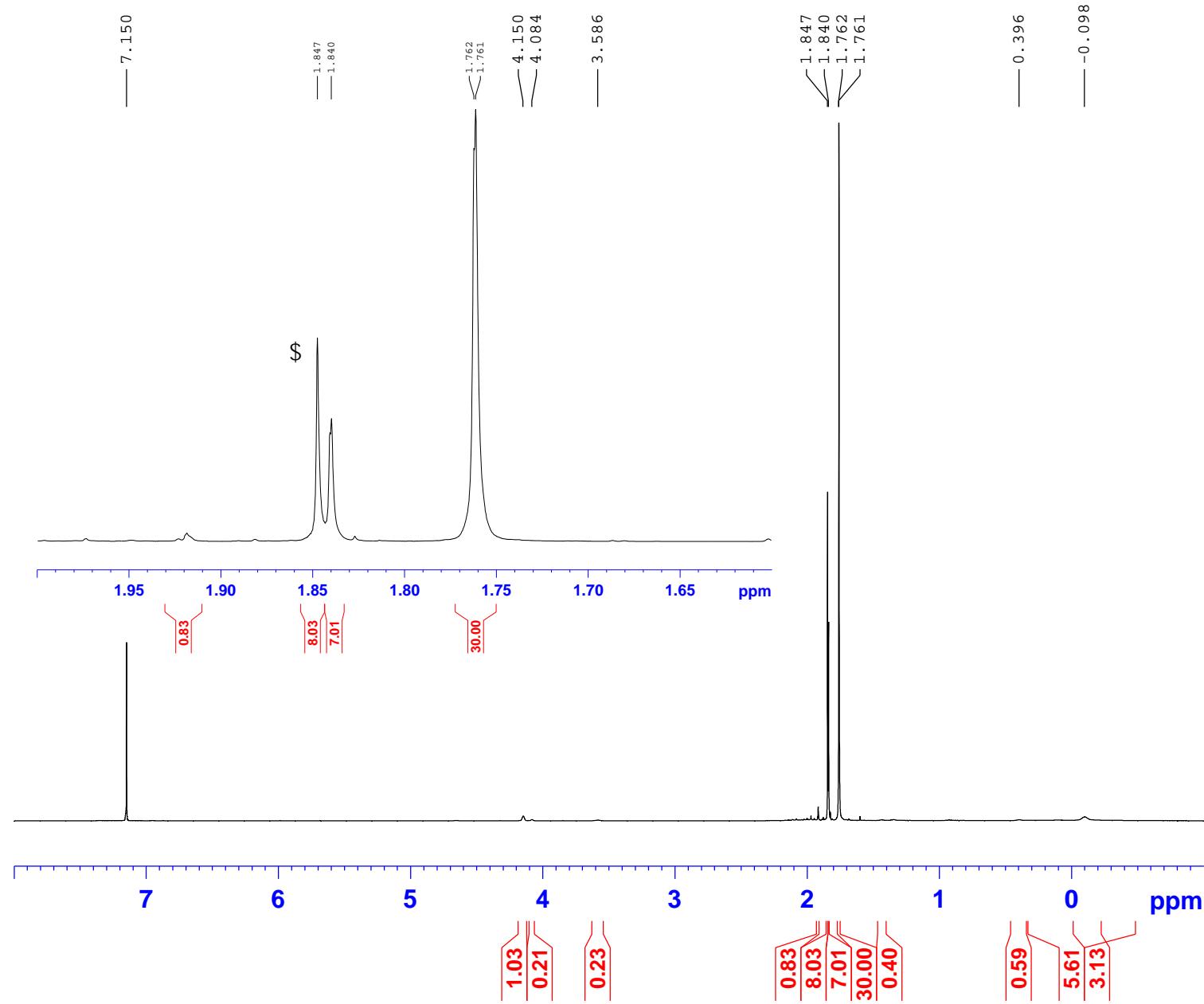
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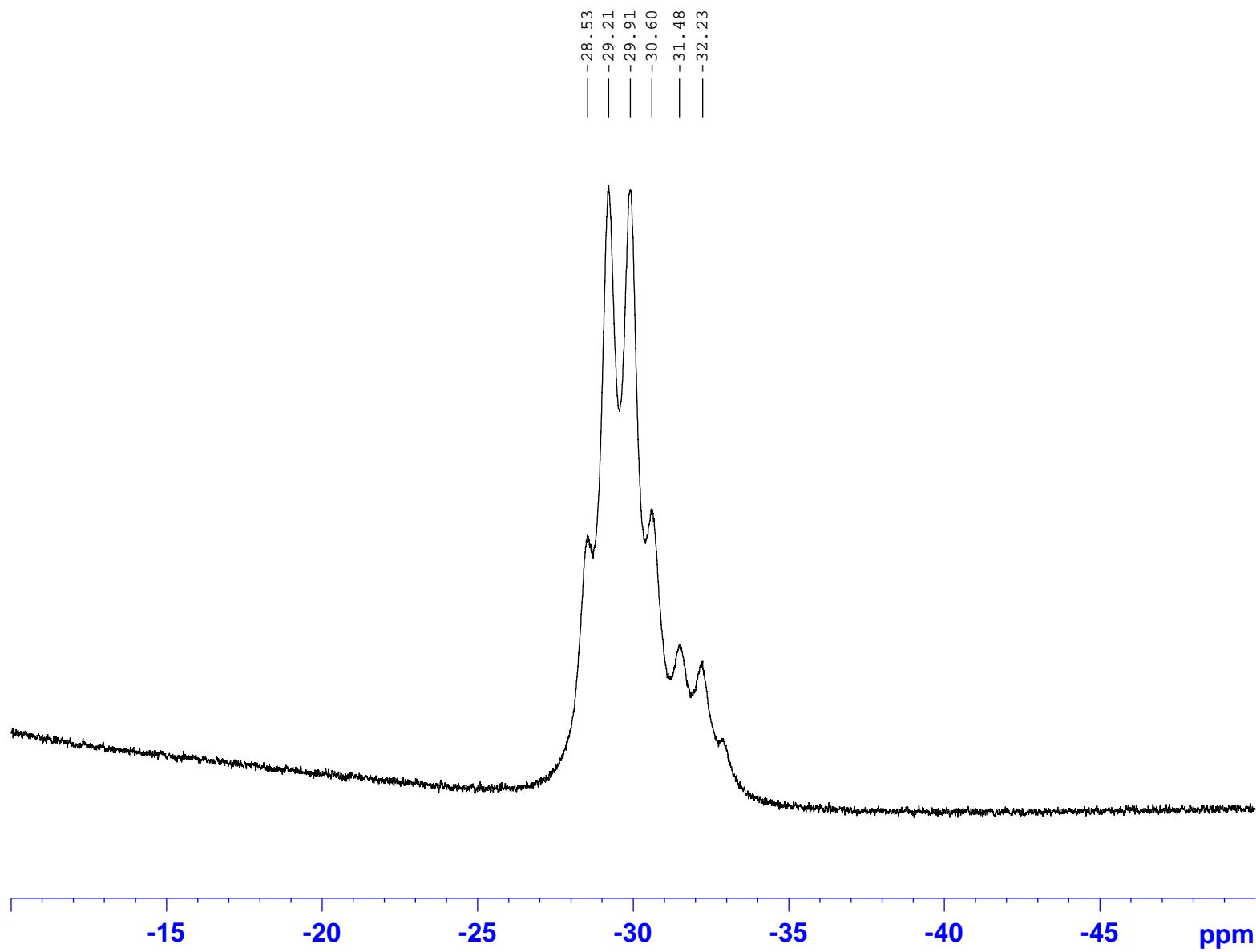
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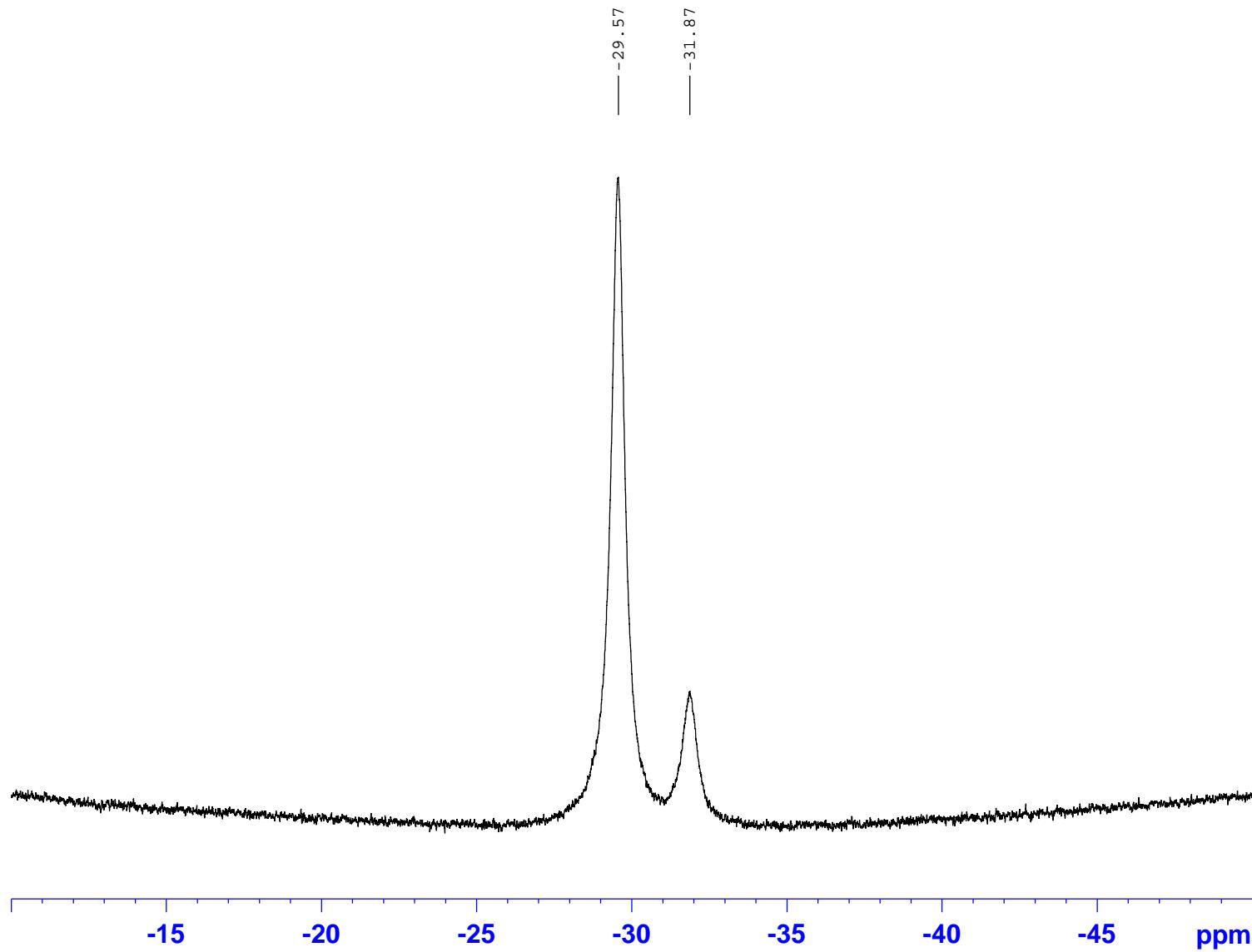
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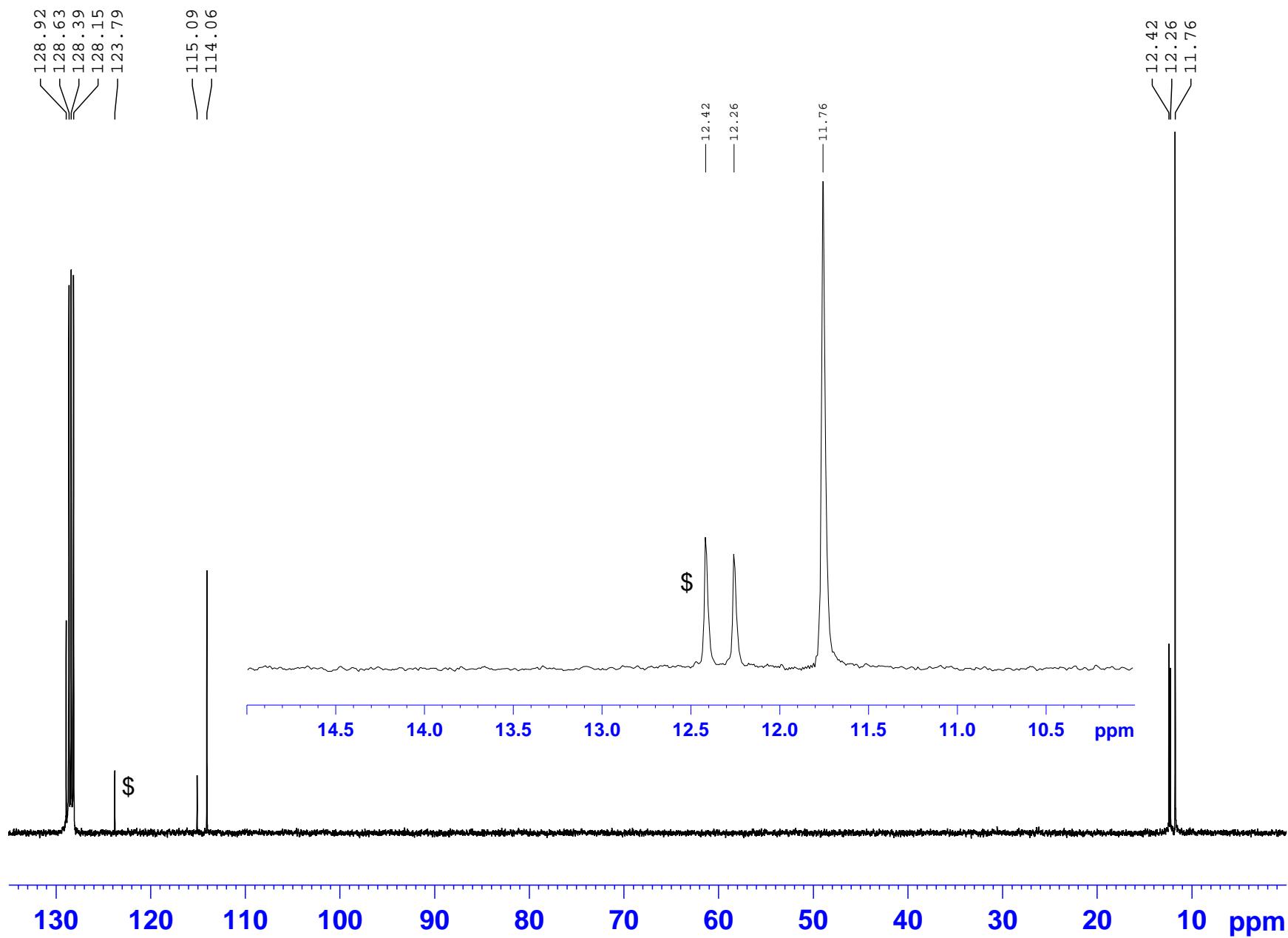
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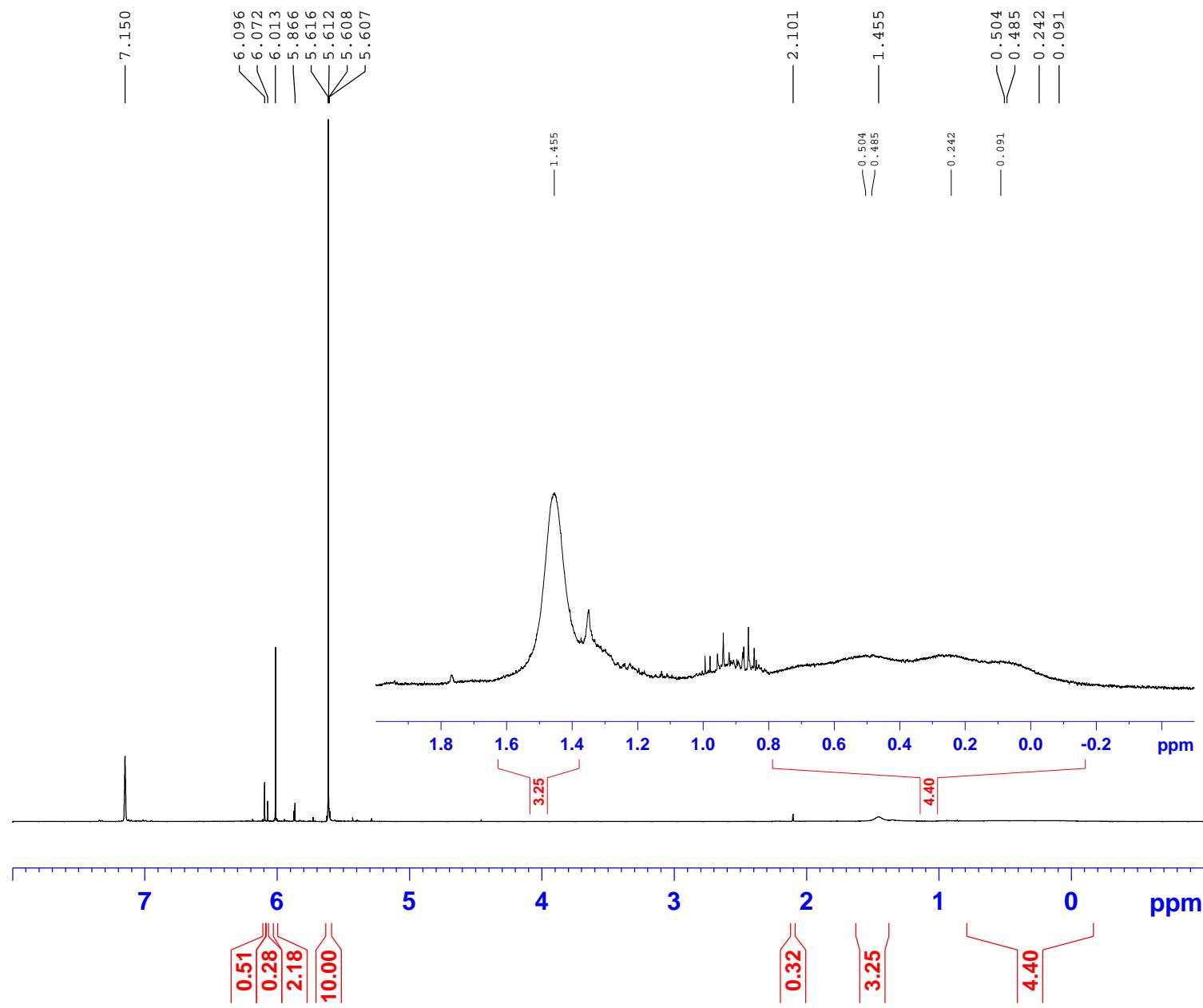
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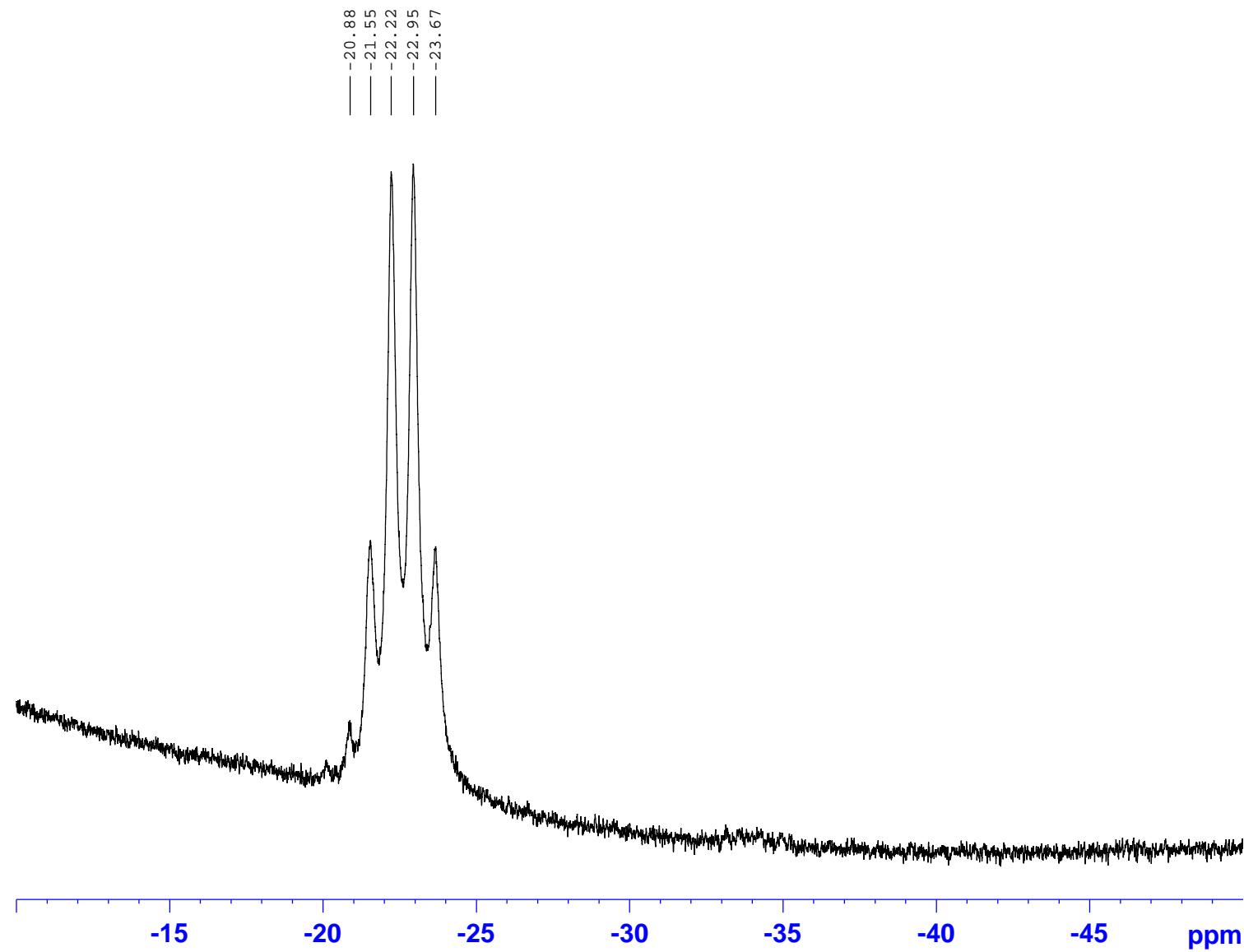
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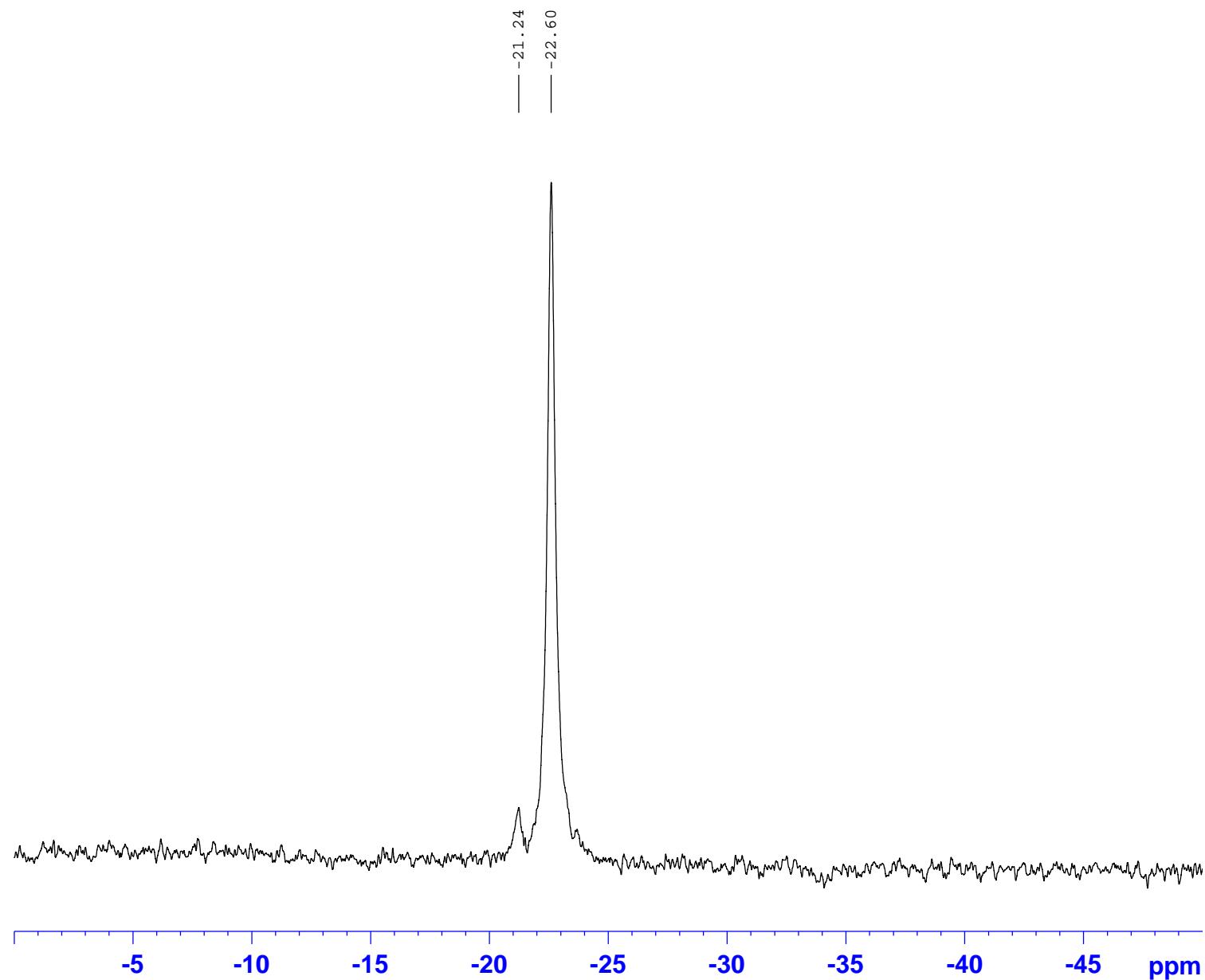
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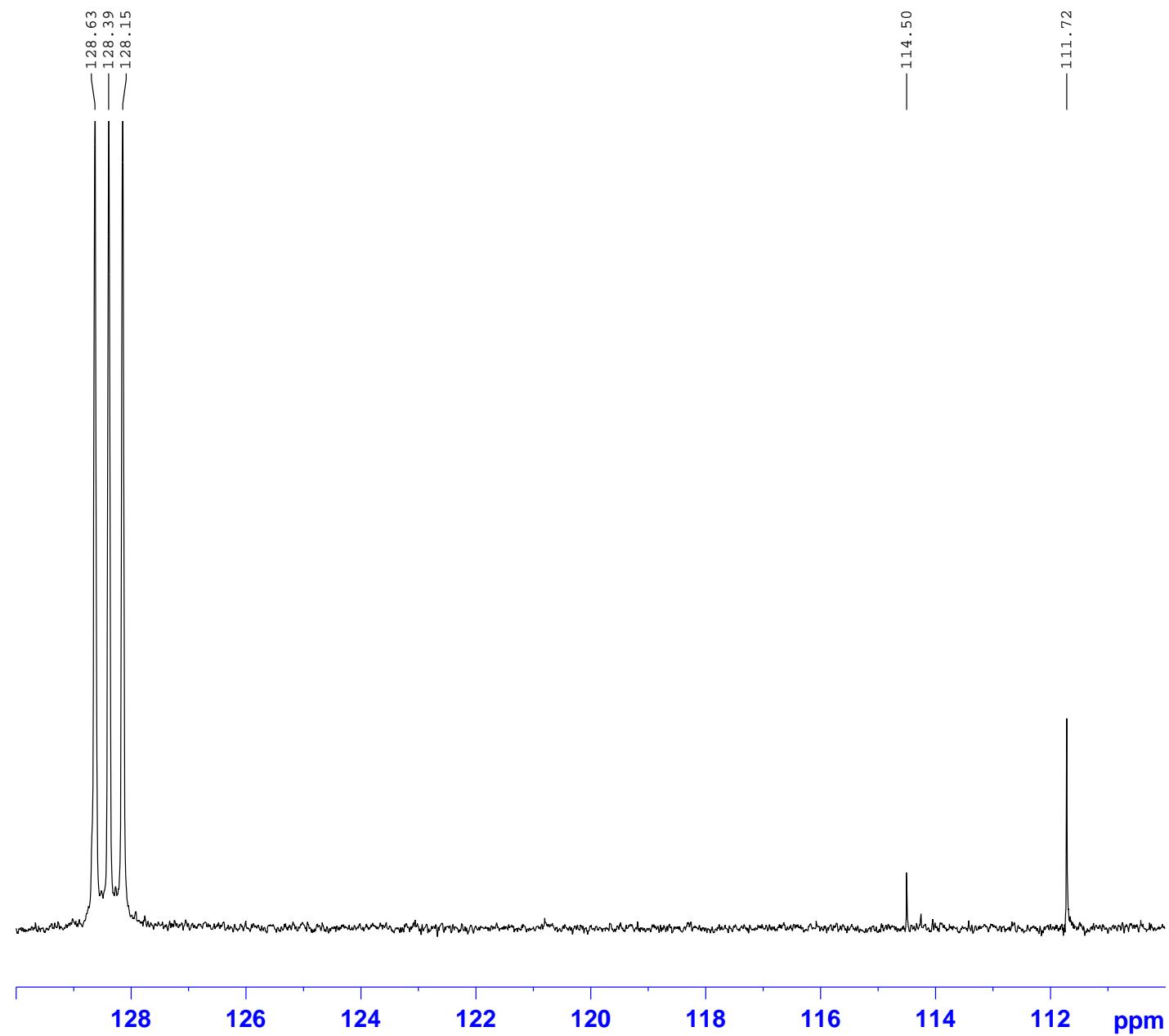
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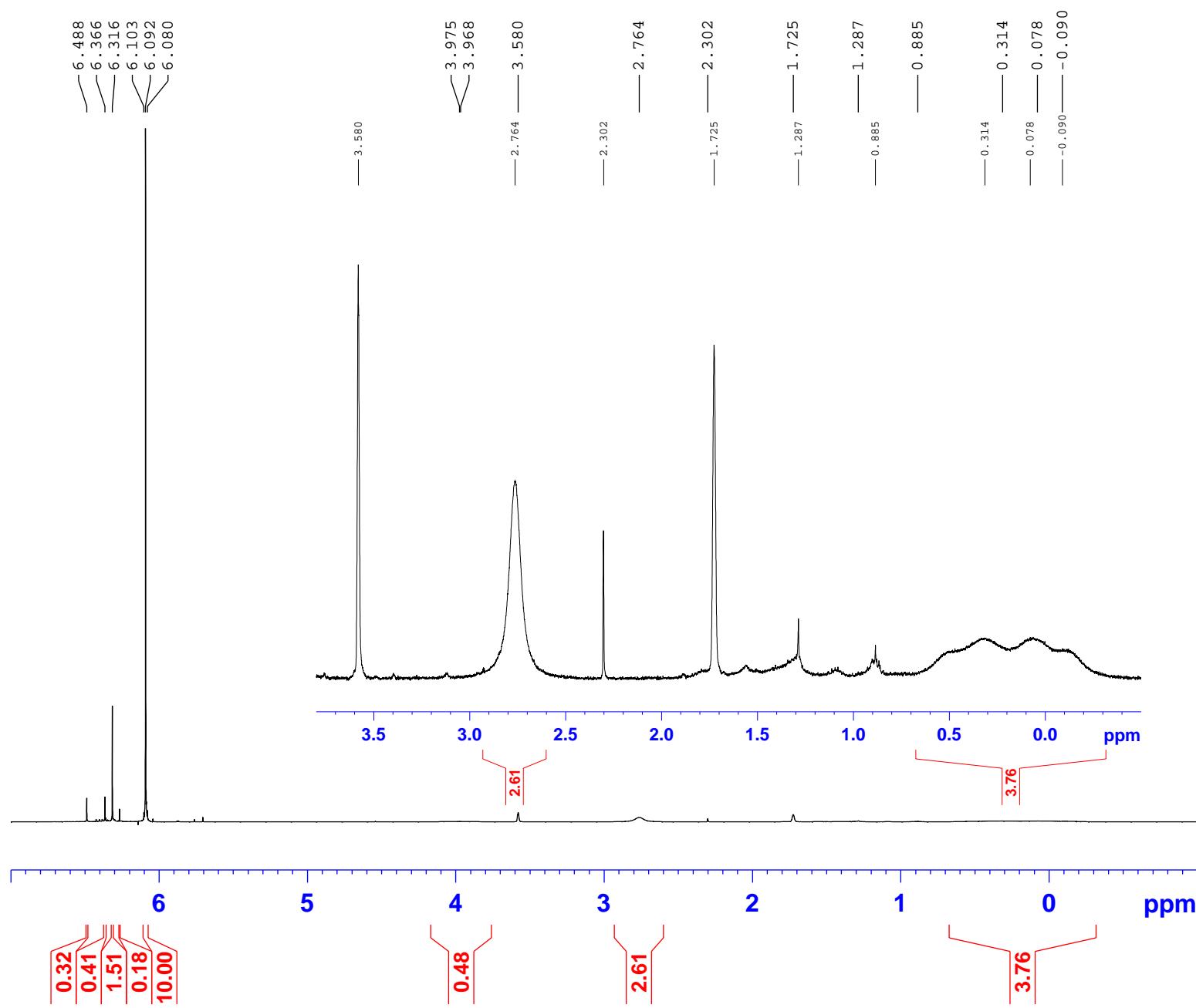
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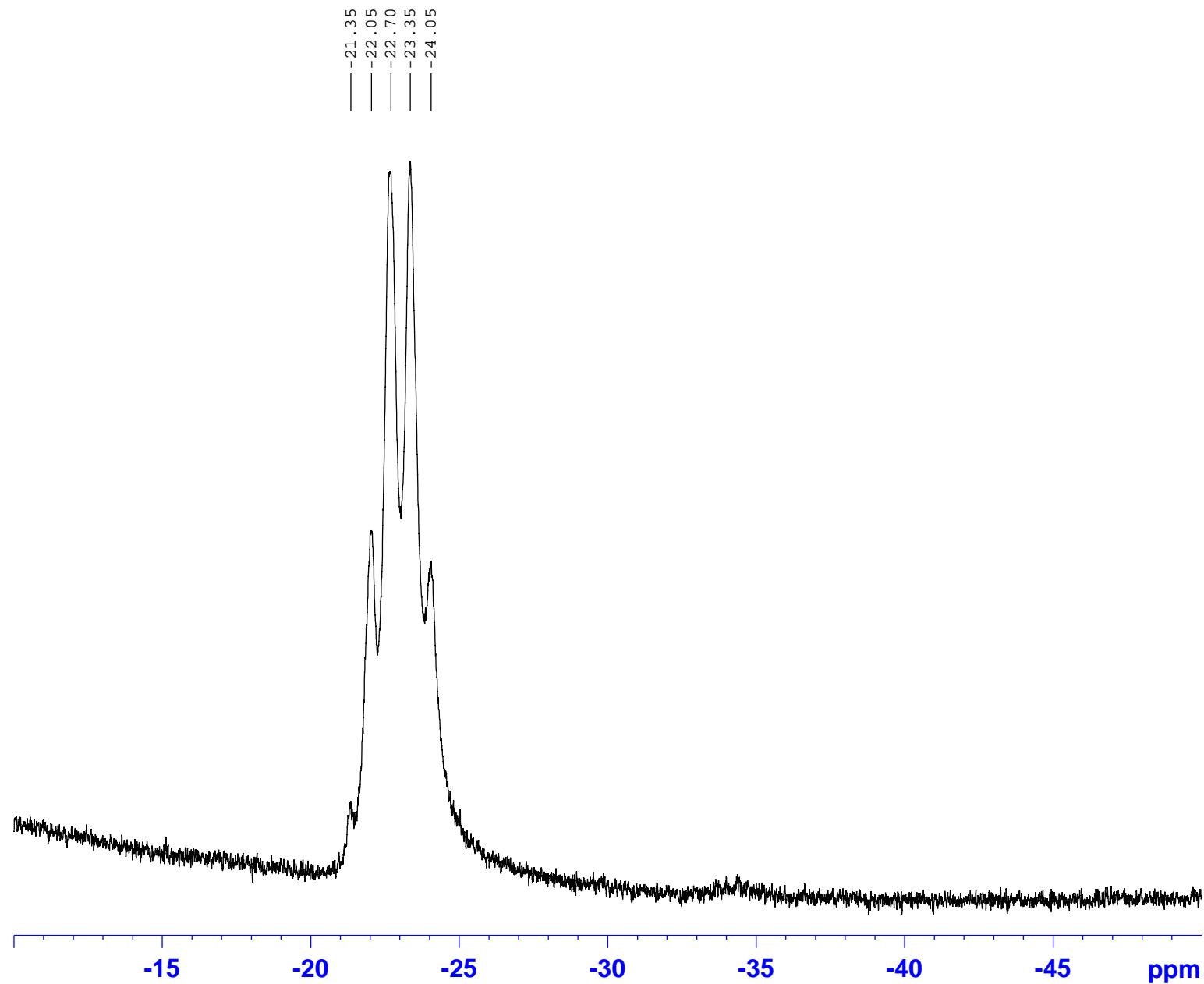
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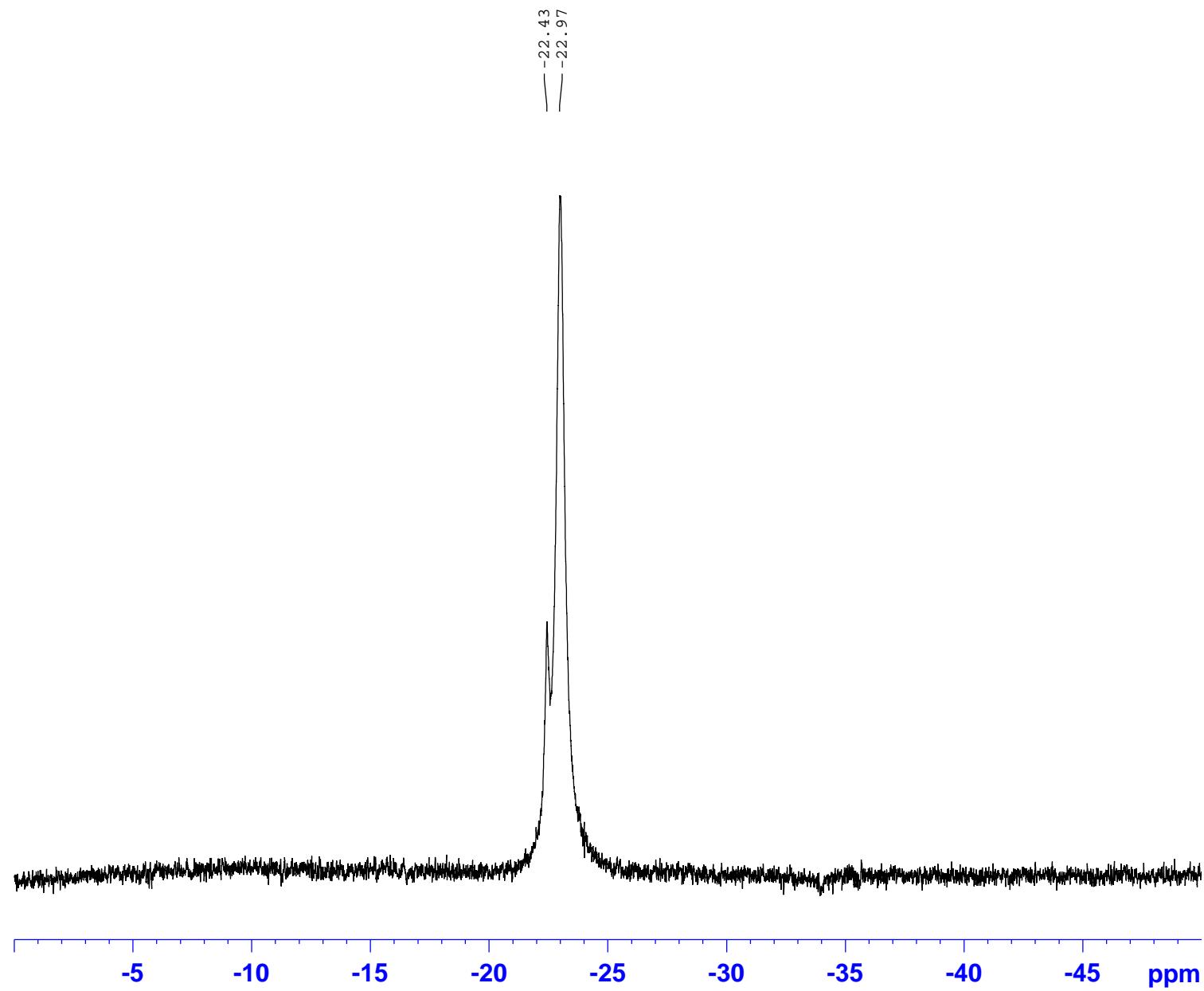
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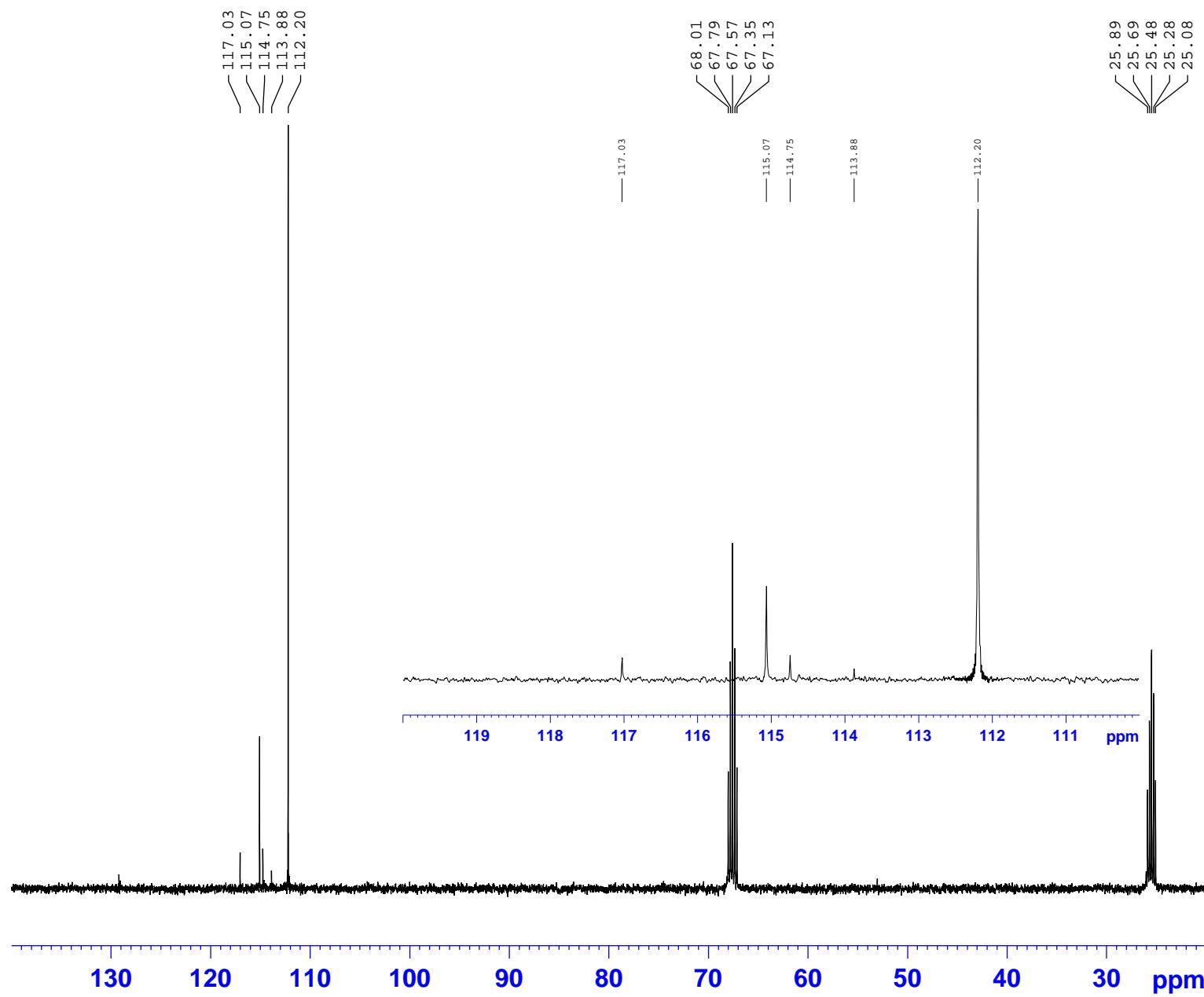
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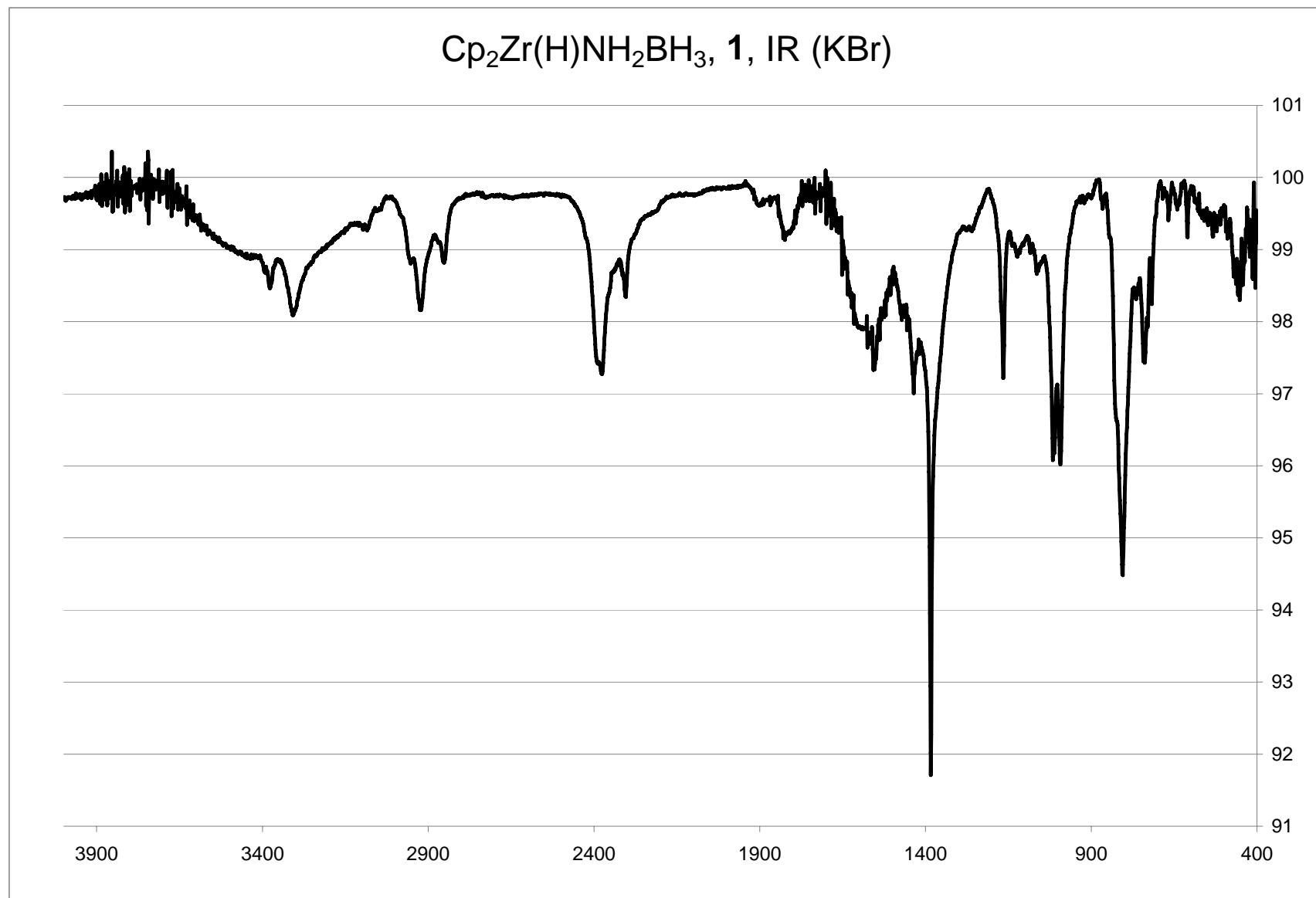
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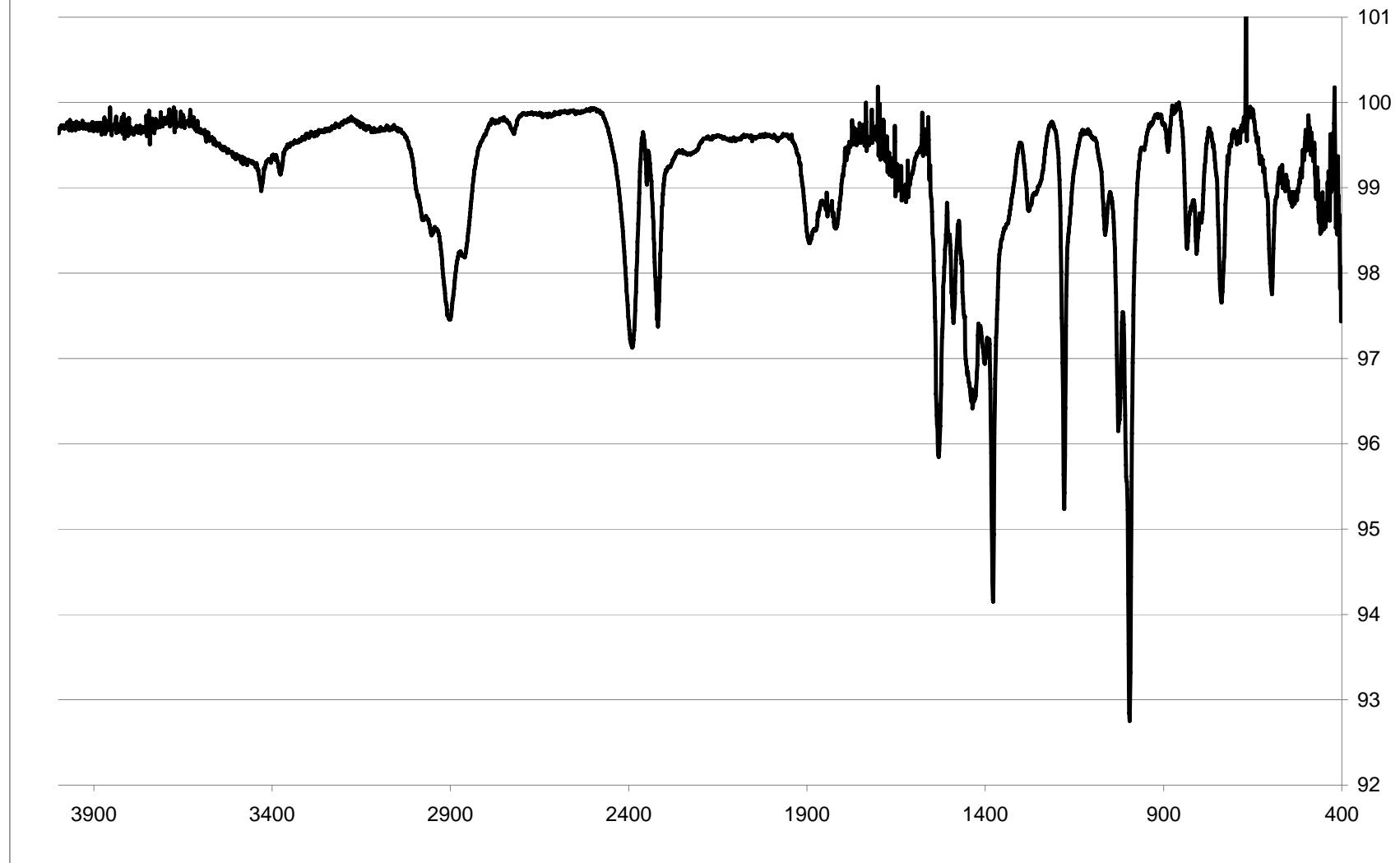
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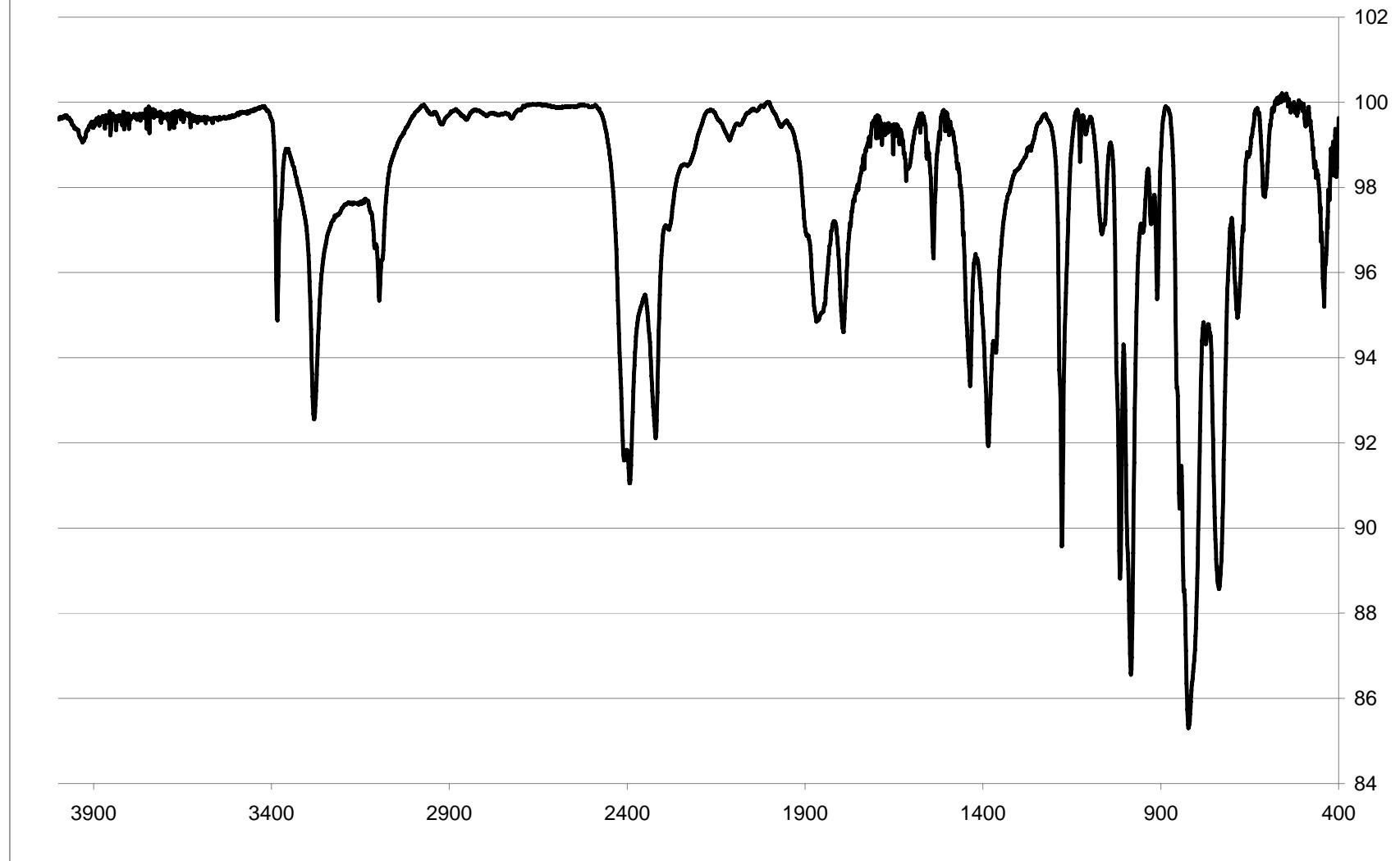
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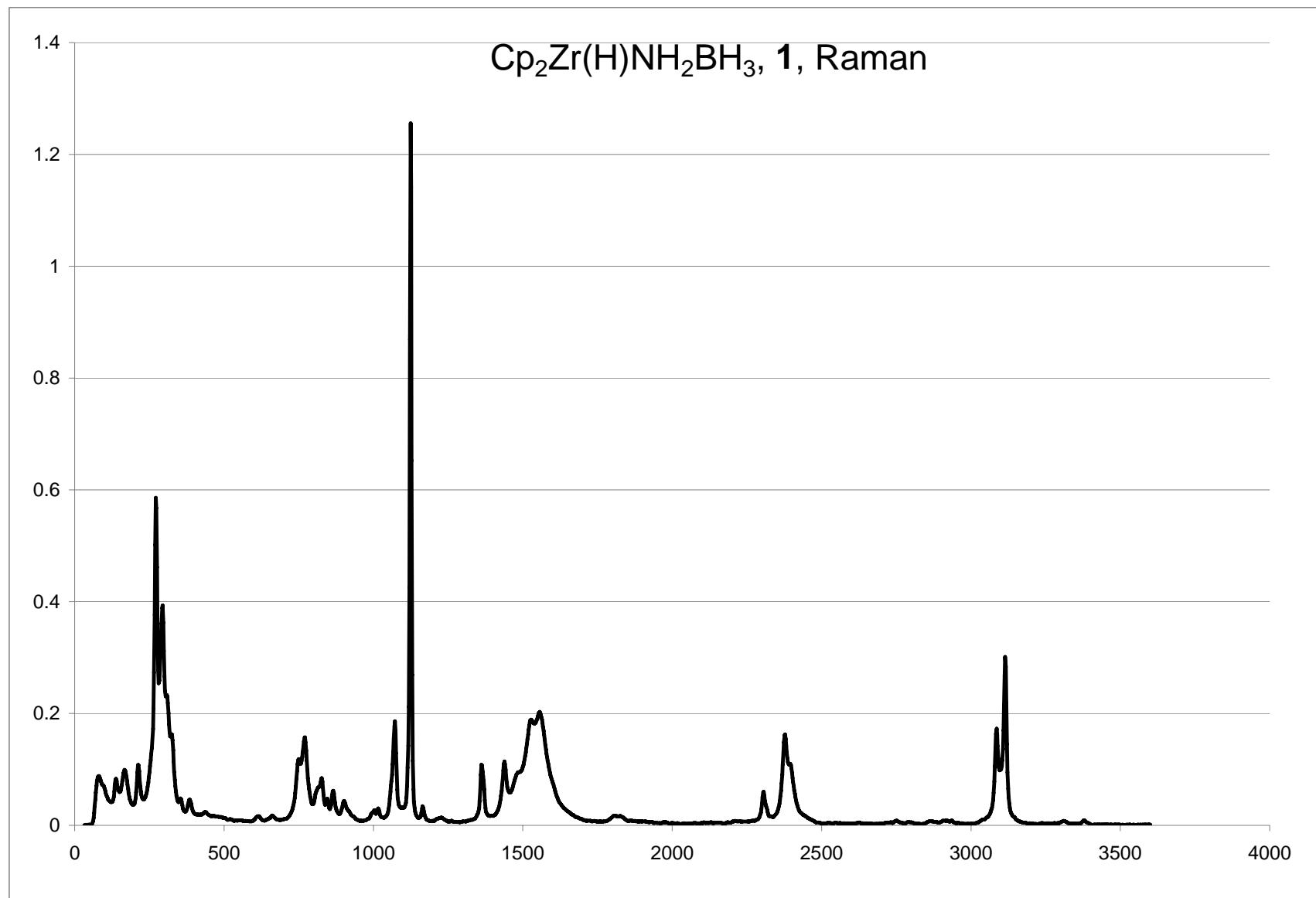


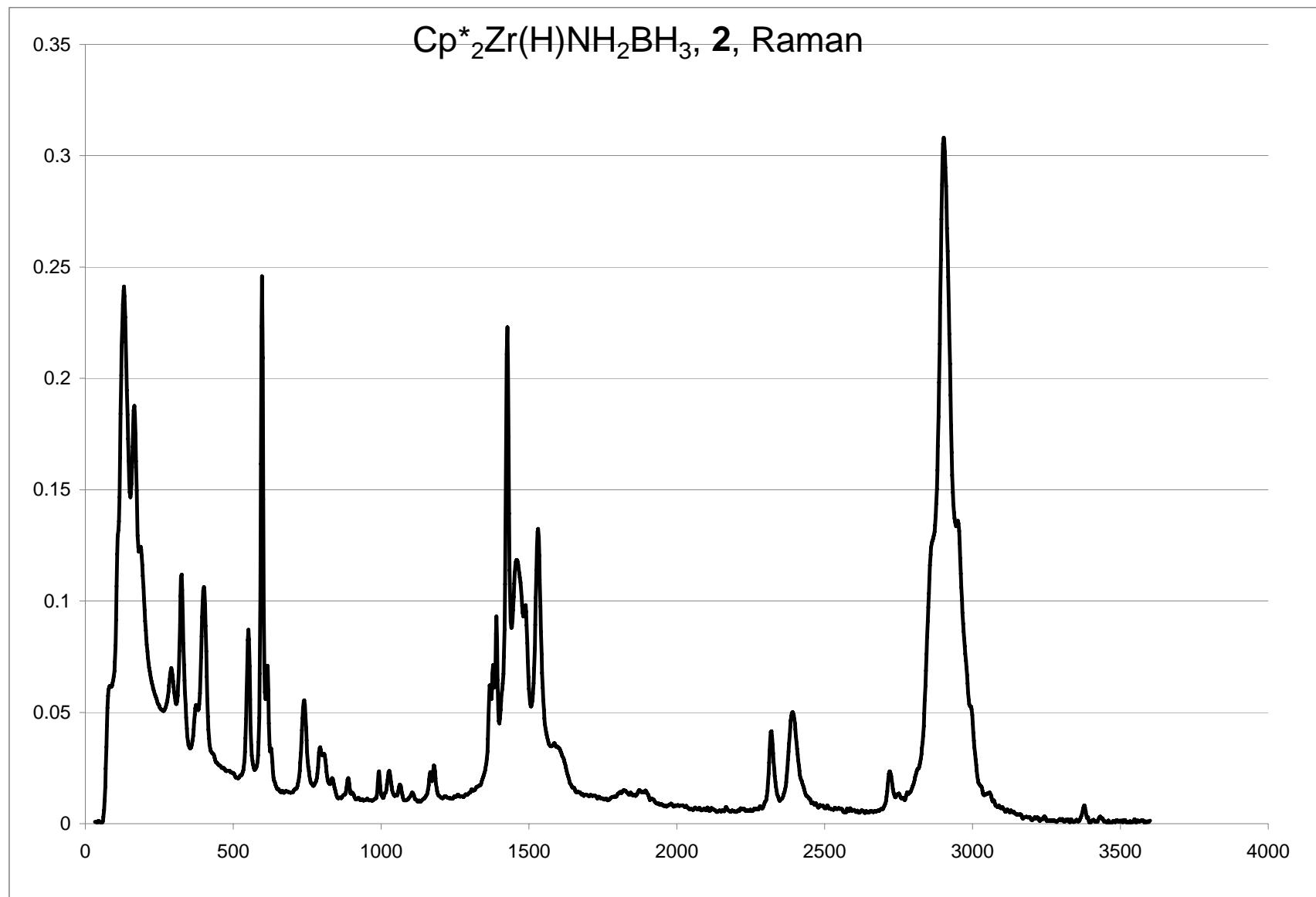
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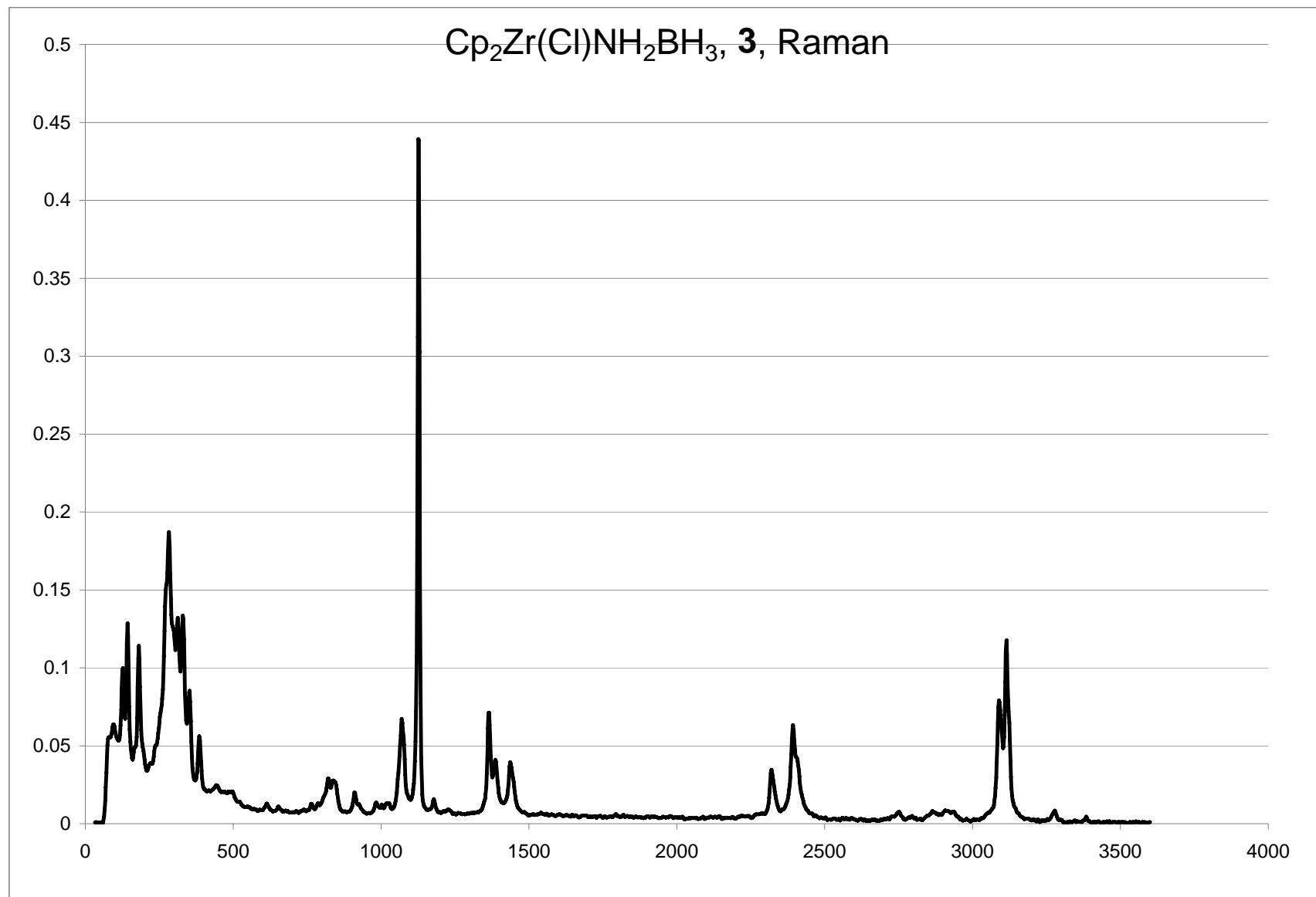


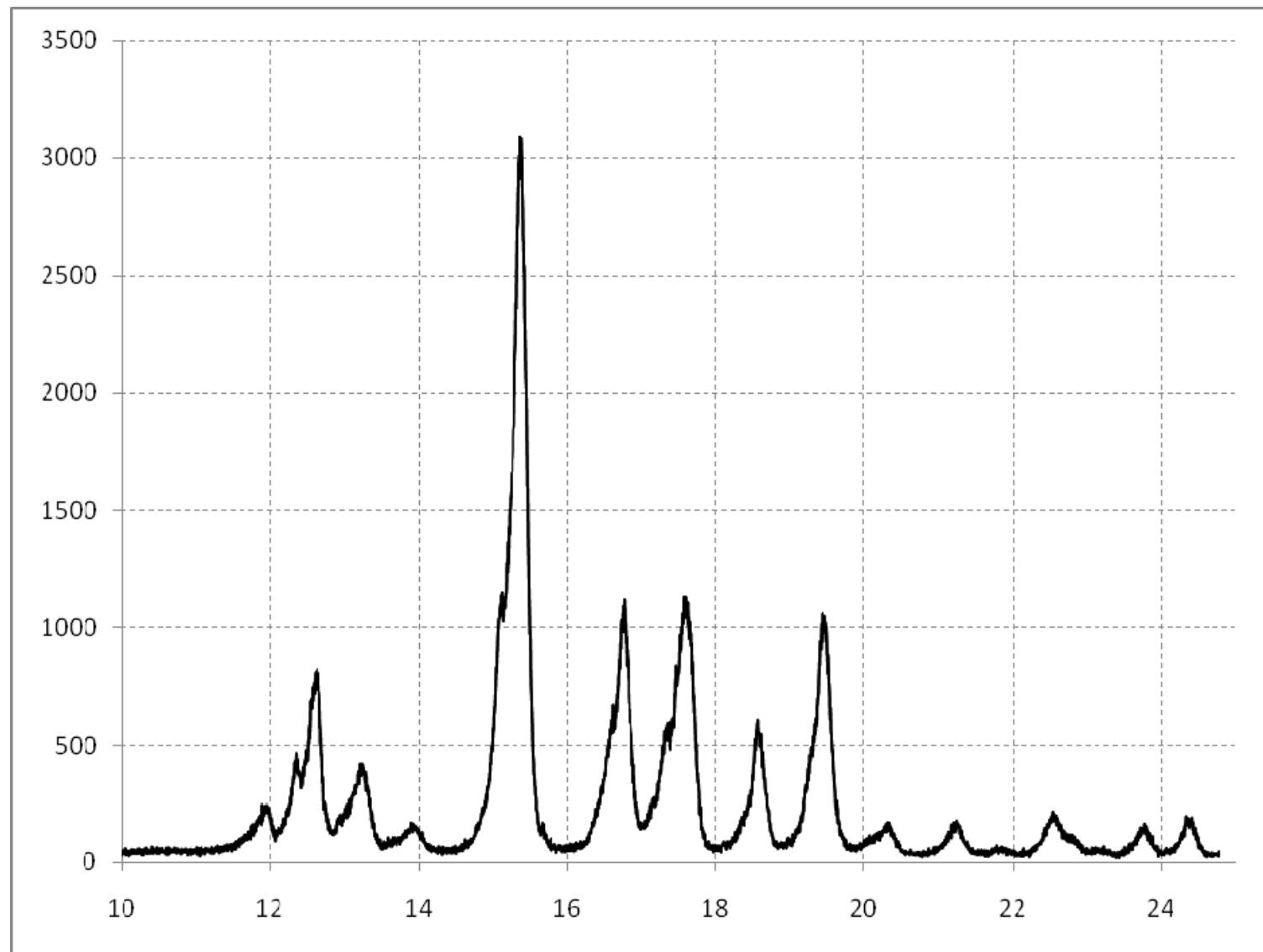
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$\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{H})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **1**, powder X-ray pattern

## Single crystal X-ray diffraction data for Cp<sub>2</sub>Zr(H)NH<sub>2</sub>BH<sub>3</sub>, **1bII**

A colorless needle crystal of **1bII**, was coated with Paratone 8277 oil (Exxon) and mounted on a glass fiber. All measurements were made on a Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer with graphite monochromated Mo-K $\alpha$  radiation. Details of crystal data, data collection<sup>1,2</sup> and structure refinement have been provided in Table 1. The data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects and for absorption using multi-scan method<sup>1</sup>.

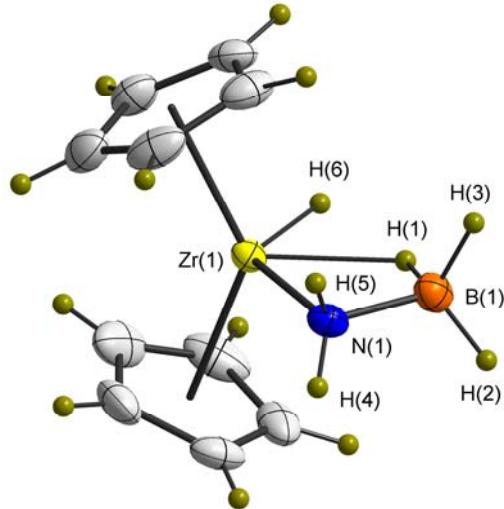
The structure was solved by the direct methods<sup>3</sup> and expanded using Fourier techniques<sup>4</sup>. The non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. The hydrogen atoms on nitrogen, boron, and zirconium were refined isotropically, and the cyclopentadienyl hydrogen atoms were included at geometrically idealized positions and were not refined. The final cycle of full-matrix least-squares refinement using SHELXL97<sup>5</sup> converged with unweighted and weighted agreement factors, R = 0.0323 and wR = 0.0665 (all data), respectively, and goodness of fit, S = 1.048. The weighting scheme was based on counting statistics and the final difference map had no chemically significant features.

Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for Cp<sub>2</sub>Zr(H)NH<sub>2</sub>BH<sub>3</sub>, **1bII**.

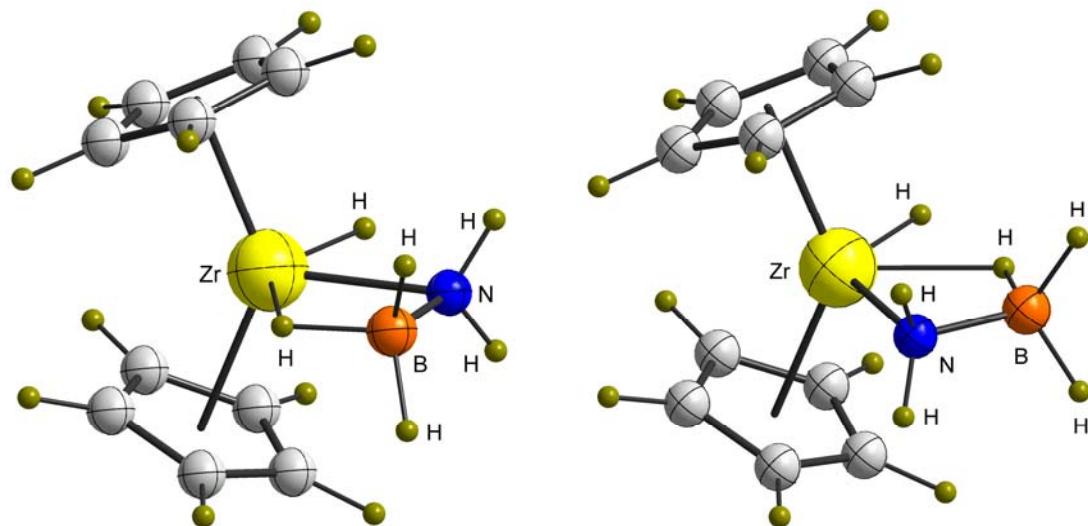
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Empirical formula	C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>32</sub> B <sub>2</sub> N <sub>2</sub> Zr <sub>2</sub>	
Formula weight	504.54	
Temperature	173(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	C 1 2/c 1	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 16.4630(6) Å	α= 90°.
	b = 15.4550(5) Å	β= 123.341(2)°.
	c = 10.1380(3) Å	γ = 90°.
Volume	2154.92(12) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.555 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	0.973 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	1024	
Crystal size	0.14 x 0.08 x 0.07 mm <sup>3</sup>	
Theta range for data collection	2.41 to 27.48°.	
Index ranges	-21<=h<=21, -19<=k<=20, -13<=l<=13	
Reflections collected	9977	
Independent reflections	2459 [R(int) = 0.0682]	
Completeness to theta = 27.48°	99.6 %	
Absorption correction	'Multi-scan'	
Max. and min. transmission	0.9350 and 0.8758	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	
Data / restraints / parameters	2459 / 0 / 143	
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.048	
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0268, wR2 = 0.0640	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0323, wR2 = 0.0665	
Extinction coefficient	0.0025(4)	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.484 and -0.524 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>	

Table 2. Atomic coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{H})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **1bII**. U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized  $U^{ij}$  tensor.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
C(6)	3955(2)	1574(2)	8690(4)	48(1)
C(7)	3671(2)	1094(2)	7319(3)	41(1)
C(8)	3620(2)	227(2)	7650(3)	35(1)
C(9)	3842(2)	181(2)	9192(3)	39(1)
C(10)	4054(2)	1013(2)	9824(3)	45(1)
N(1)	1460(1)	-61(1)	5894(2)	23(1)
B(1)	1337(2)	-445(2)	7166(3)	27(1)
C(1)	1032(2)	1875(2)	5284(3)	39(1)
C(2)	626(2)	1690(2)	6162(3)	38(1)
C(3)	1154(2)	2154(2)	7591(3)	33(1)
C(4)	1898(2)	2605(2)	7610(3)	33(1)
C(5)	1814(2)	2441(2)	6174(3)	37(1)
Zr(1)	2288(1)	1031(1)	7653(1)	19(1)



**Figure 1.** Solid-state molecular structures of **1bII** with thermal ellipsoids at 50% probability.



**Figure 2.** Optimized molecular structures of **1a** (left) and **1b** (right).

Table 3. Bond lengths [ $\text{\AA}$ ] and angles [ $^\circ$ ] for  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{H})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **1bII**.

N(1)-Zr(1)	2.2843(18)	N(1)-B(1)	1.531(3)
N(1)-H(4)	0.86(3)	N(1)-H(5)	0.84(3)
B(1)-Zr(1)	2.657(2)	B(1)-H(3)	1.11(3)
B(1)-H(1)	1.24(2)	B(1)-H(2)	1.11(3)
C-C	1.376(4) - 1.409(4)	C-Zr	2.480(2) - 2.524(2)
B(1)-N(1)-Zr(1)	85.86(12)	H(4)-N(1)-H(5)	111(2)
B(1)-N(1)-H(4)	116.5(16)	B(1)-N(1)-H(5)	112.7(17)
Zr(1)-N(1)-H(4)	116.7(17)	Zr(1)-N(1)-H(5)	112.6(17)
N(1)-B(1)-Zr(1)	59.05(10)	Zr(1)-B(1)-H(1)	45.0(11)
Zr(1)-B(1)-H(3)	117.0(13)	Zr(1)-B(1)-H(2)	124.8(17)
N(1)-B(1)-H(1)	103.9(11)	N(1)-B(1)-H(2)	115.3(16)
H(1)-B(1)-H(2)	104(2)	N(1)-B(1)-H(3)	112.9(12)
H(1)-B(1)-H(3)	104.6(17)	H(2)-B(1)-H(3)	115(2)
N(1)-Zr(1)-B(1)	35.09(7)	N(1)-Zr(1)-H(1)	61.4(7)
B(1)-Zr(1)-H(1)	26.3(7)	N(1)-Zr(1)-H(6)	123.0(8)
B(1)-Zr(1)-H(6)	87.9(8)	H(1)-Zr(1)-H(6)	61.8(10)
C-C-C	107.5(2) - 108.3(2)		

Table 4. Anisotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{H})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **1bII**. The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form:  $-2\pi^2 [ h^2 a^*{}^2 U^{11} + \dots + 2 h k a^* b^* U^{12} ]$

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{23}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{12}$
C(6)	30(1)	40(1)	79(2)	-19(1)	32(1)	-15(1)
C(7)	34(1)	57(2)	46(1)	14(1)	31(1)	7(1)
C(8)	20(1)	41(1)	44(1)	-13(1)	18(1)	1(1)
C(9)	22(1)	51(2)	44(1)	19(1)	19(1)	11(1)
C(10)	18(1)	81(2)	29(1)	-16(1)	8(1)	-3(1)
N(1)	20(1)	26(1)	22(1)	-5(1)	12(1)	0(1)
B(1)	25(1)	27(1)	29(1)	-4(1)	16(1)	-4(1)
C(1)	46(2)	34(1)	23(1)	2(1)	10(1)	16(1)
C(2)	25(1)	29(1)	44(1)	-3(1)	10(1)	6(1)
C(3)	34(1)	29(1)	39(1)	-1(1)	23(1)	10(1)
C(4)	41(1)	24(1)	33(1)	-4(1)	18(1)	2(1)
C(5)	51(2)	27(1)	36(1)	7(1)	27(1)	9(1)
Zr(1)	18(1)	21(1)	17(1)	-2(1)	10(1)	0(1)

Table 5. Hydrogen coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{H})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **1bII**.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
H(12)	4060	2182	8810	58
H(13)	3538	1319	6348	49
H(14)	3462	-247	6953	42
H(15)	3847	-330	9718	46
H(16)	4236	1167	10860	55
H(1)	1810(18)	52(16)	8310(30)	32(6)
H(2)	1690(20)	-1084(18)	7630(40)	49(9)
H(3)	577(19)	-399(16)	6860(30)	31(6)
H(4)	1779(19)	-367(16)	5620(30)	27(6)
H(5)	932(19)	105(16)	5100(30)	25(6)
H(6)	2450(20)	1082(15)	9500(30)	32(7)
H(7)	815	1655	4266	47
H(8)	90	1318	5847	45
H(9)	1027	2159	8399	39
H(10)	2376	2960	8445	40
H(11)	2218	2674	5862	44

## Single crystal X-ray diffraction data for Cp<sub>2</sub>Zr(H)NH<sub>2</sub>BH<sub>3</sub>, **1bI**

A colorless needle crystal of **1bI**, was coated with Paratone 8277 oil (Exxon) and mounted on a glass fiber. All measurements were made on a Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer with graphite monochromated Mo-K $\alpha$  radiation. Details of crystal data, data collection<sup>1,2</sup> and structure refinement have been provided in Table 6. The data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects and for absorption using multi-scan method<sup>1</sup>.

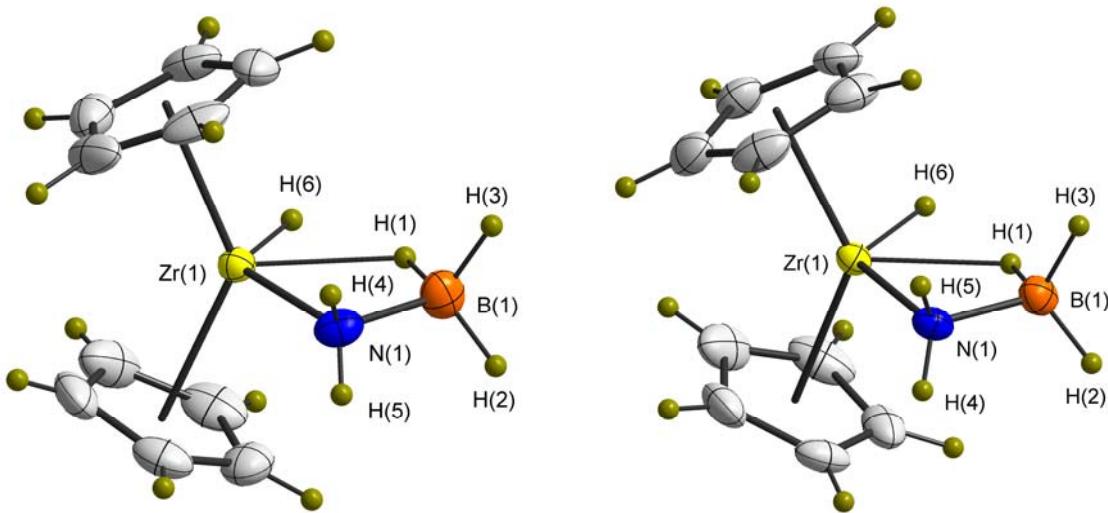
The structure was solved by the direct methods<sup>3</sup> and expanded using Fourier techniques<sup>4</sup>. The non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All hydrogen atoms were refined isotropically. The final cycle of full-matrix least-squares refinement using SHELXL97<sup>5</sup> converged with unweighted and weighted agreement factors, R = 0.0819 and wR = 0.0841 (all data), respectively, and goodness of fit, S = 1.144. The weighting scheme was based on counting statistics and the final difference map had no chemically significant features.

Table 6. Crystal data and structure refinement for Cp<sub>2</sub>Zr(H)NH<sub>2</sub>BH<sub>3</sub>, **1bI**.

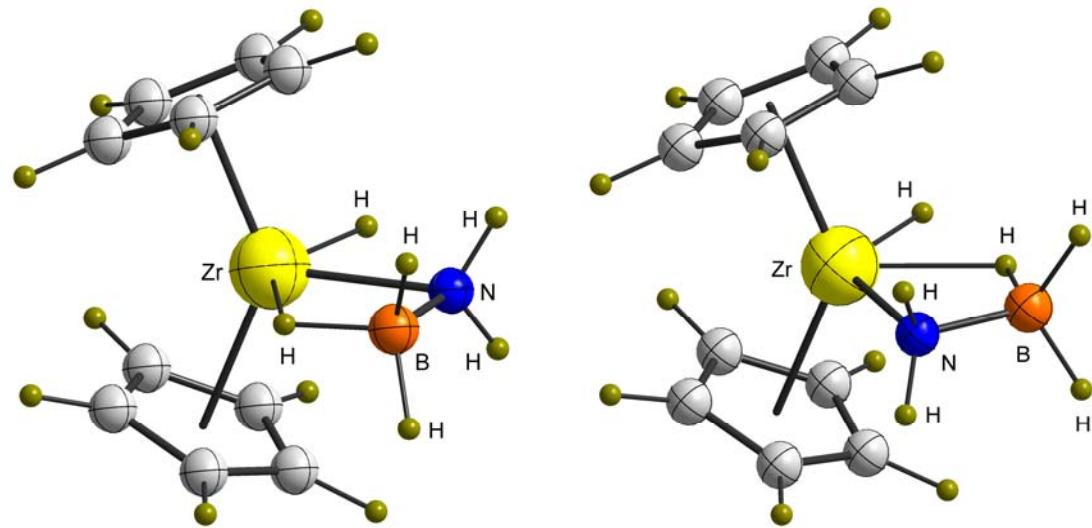
Identification code	tf903	
Empirical formula	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>16</sub> BN Zr	
Formula weight	252.27	
Temperature	173(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P 1 2 <sub>1</sub> /c 1	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 7.9840(5) Å	α = 90.000(3)°.
	b = 14.8370(5) Å	β = 117.830(3)°.
	c = 10.3050(5) Å	γ = 90.000(2)°.
Volume	1079.52(9) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.552 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	0.971 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	512	
Crystal size	0.06 x 0.02 x 0.02 mm <sup>3</sup>	
Theta range for data collection	2.62 to 27.58°.	
Index ranges	-10<=h<=10, -19<=k<=19, -13<=l<=13	
Reflections collected	16239	
Independent reflections	2488 [R(int) = 0.1289]	
Completeness to theta = 27.58°	99.3 %	
Absorption correction	Multi-scan	
Max. and min. transmission	0.9808 and 0.9440	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	
Data / restraints / parameters	2488 / 0 / 182	
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.144	
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0536, wR2 = 0.0762	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0819, wR2 = 0.0841	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.636 and -0.648 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>	

Table 7. Atomic coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{H})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **1bI**. U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized  $U^{ij}$  tensor.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
C(1)	3168(7)	2210(4)	2651(7)	41(1)
C(2)	3272(7)	1302(4)	2956(6)	43(1)
C(3)	2701(7)	836(4)	1637(7)	38(1)
C(4)	2258(6)	1465(4)	540(5)	36(1)
C(5)	2557(7)	2319(4)	1172(6)	38(1)
C(6)	7233(9)	238(4)	3802(7)	47(2)
C(7)	8607(8)	908(4)	4308(6)	39(1)
C(8)	9119(8)	1079(4)	3217(6)	39(1)
C(9)	8087(8)	513(4)	2029(7)	45(2)
C(10)	6913(9)	7(4)	2396(7)	50(2)
B(1)	7095(9)	3225(4)	2207(6)	33(1)
N(1)	7161(6)	2822(3)	3607(5)	27(1)
Zr(1)	5760(1)	1579(1)	2210(1)	20(1)



**Figure 3.** Solid-state molecular structures of **1bI** (left) and **1bII** (right) with thermal ellipsoids at 50% probability.



**Figure 4.** Optimized molecular structures of **1a** (left) and **1b** (right).

Table 8. Bond lengths [ $\text{\AA}$ ] and angles [ $^\circ$ ] for  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{H})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **1bI**.

B(1)-N(1)	1.539(7)	N(1)-Zr(1)	2.286(4)
B(1)-Zr(1)	2.665(5)	B(1)-H(1)	1.22(4)
N(1)-H(4)	0.81(5)	B(1)-H(2)	1.09(5)
N(1)-H(5)	0.81(6)	B(1)-H(3)	1.10(4)
Zr(1)-H(6)	1.71(4)	Zr(1)-H(1)	2.02(4)
C-Zr	2.477(5) - 2.517(5)	C-C	1.375(8) - 1.398(8)
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N(1)-Zr(1)-H(1)	60.9(13)	B(1)-Zr(1)-H(1)	25.7(13)
N(1)-Zr(1)-H(6)	125.1(14)	B(1)-Zr(1)-H(6)	90.0(14)
B(1)-N(1)-Zr(1)	86.0(3)	H(1)-Zr(1)-H(6)	64.4(19)
H(1)-B(1)-H(3)	104(3)	H(2)-B(1)-H(3)	111(3)
Zr(1)-N(1)-H(4)	116(3)	Zr(1)-N(1)-H(5)	119(4)
B(1)-N(1)-H(4)	115(3)	H(4)-N(1)-H(5)	110(5)
B(1)-N(1)-H(5)	108(4)	N(1)-B(1)-Zr(1)	58.8(2)
Zr(1)-B(1)-H(1)	46(2)	Zr(1)-B(1)-H(3)	122(2)
Zr(1)-B(1)-H(2)	125(3)	H(1)-B(1)-H(2)	109(3)
N(1)-B(1)-H(1)	105(2)	N(1)-B(1)-H(3)	115(2)
N(1)-B(1)-H(2)	112(3)	C(10)-C(9)-C(8)	106.6(6) - 109.4(6)

Table 9. Anisotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{H})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **1bI**. The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form:  $-2\pi^2 [ h^2 a^{*2} U^{11} + \dots + 2 h k a^{*} b^{*} U^{12} ]$

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{23}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{12}$
C(1)	21(3)	59(4)	48(4)	-24(3)	20(3)	-3(2)
C(2)	24(3)	78(4)	32(3)	18(3)	17(2)	5(3)
C(3)	30(3)	30(3)	59(4)	3(3)	24(3)	1(2)
C(4)	19(2)	59(4)	26(3)	-8(3)	7(2)	-2(2)
C(5)	23(3)	34(3)	51(4)	9(3)	14(2)	7(2)
C(6)	43(4)	41(3)	61(4)	30(3)	26(3)	18(3)
C(7)	36(3)	44(3)	33(3)	3(3)	12(3)	19(2)
C(8)	27(3)	41(3)	52(4)	1(3)	20(3)	5(2)
C(9)	46(4)	50(4)	42(3)	0(3)	24(3)	25(3)
C(10)	42(4)	26(3)	57(4)	-6(3)	2(3)	3(3)
B(1)	38(3)	28(3)	30(3)	-4(2)	13(3)	-5(2)
N(1)	23(2)	32(2)	27(2)	-7(2)	12(2)	1(2)
Zr(1)	19(1)	24(1)	19(1)	1(1)	9(1)	1(1)

Table 10. Hydrogen coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{H})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **1bI**.

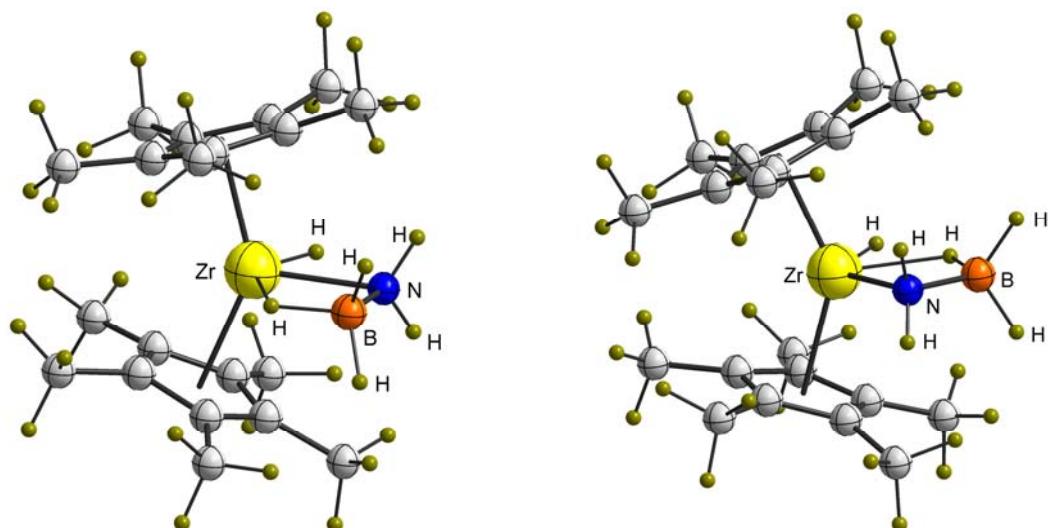
	x	y	z	U(eq)
H(1)	6370(60)	2640(30)	1280(50)	35(13)
H(2)	8510(70)	3370(30)	2340(50)	50(15)
H(3)	6160(60)	3810(30)	1750(50)	34(13)
H(4)	6550(70)	3090(30)	3930(50)	34(15)
H(5)	8260(80)	2790(40)	4230(60)	54(19)
H(6)	5330(60)	1430(30)	430(50)	35(13)
H(7)	3360(80)	2600(40)	3230(60)	52(19)
H(8)	3650(70)	1010(30)	3830(50)	38(14)
H(9)	2520(60)	240(30)	1480(50)	27(13)
H(10)	1790(60)	1340(30)	-400(50)	32(13)
H(11)	2410(70)	2830(30)	720(50)	41(15)
H(12)	6700(90)	50(40)	4300(70)	90(30)
H(13)	9070(70)	1160(30)	5140(50)	34(15)
H(14)	9970(70)	1480(40)	3270(50)	49(16)
H(15)	8200(90)	510(40)	1220(70)	70(20)
H(16)	6210(70)	-350(30)	1880(50)	32(15)

## Single crystal X-ray diffraction data for $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{Zr}(\text{H})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **2**

Severe disorder of the  $\text{Cp}^*$  groups prevented the location of the hydrogen atoms on the Fourier map and the structure was not included in this study.

Table 11. Crystal data and structure refinement for  $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{Zr}(\text{H})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **2**.

Identification code	tf909	
Empirical formula	$\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{35}\text{B N Zr}$	
Formula weight	391.52	
Temperature	293(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	
Space group	$\text{P } 2_1 2_1 2_1$	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 8.1330(2)$ Å	$\alpha = 90^\circ$ .
	$b = 11.1820(4)$ Å	$\beta = 90^\circ$ .
	$c = 22.3460(9)$ Å	$\gamma = 90^\circ$ .
Volume	2032.22(12) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z	8	
Density (calculated)	2.559 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	1.082 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	1656	



**Figure 5.** Optimized molecular structures of **2a** (left) and **2b** (right).

## Single crystal X-ray diffraction data for Cp<sub>2</sub>Zr(Cl)NH<sub>2</sub>BH<sub>3</sub>, **3a**

A colorless needle crystal of **3a** was coated with Paratone 8277 oil (Exxon) and mounted on a glass fiber. All measurements were made on a Nonius KappaCCD diffractometer with graphite monochromated Mo-K $\alpha$  radiation. Details of crystal data, data collection<sup>1,2</sup> and structure refinement have been provided in Table 12. The data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects and for absorption using multi-scan method<sup>1</sup>.

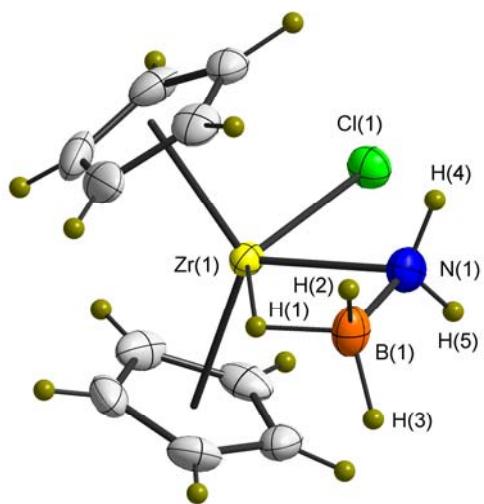
The structure was solved by the direct methods<sup>3</sup> and expanded using Fourier techniques<sup>4</sup>. The non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All hydrogen atoms were refined isotropically. The final cycle of full-matrix least-squares refinement using SHELXL97<sup>5</sup> converged with unweighted and weighted agreement factors, R = 0.0624 and wR = 0.0781 (all data), respectively, and goodness of fit, S = 1.042. The weighting scheme was based on counting statistics and the final difference map had no chemically significant features.

Table 12. Crystal data and structure refinement for  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{Cl})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **3a**.

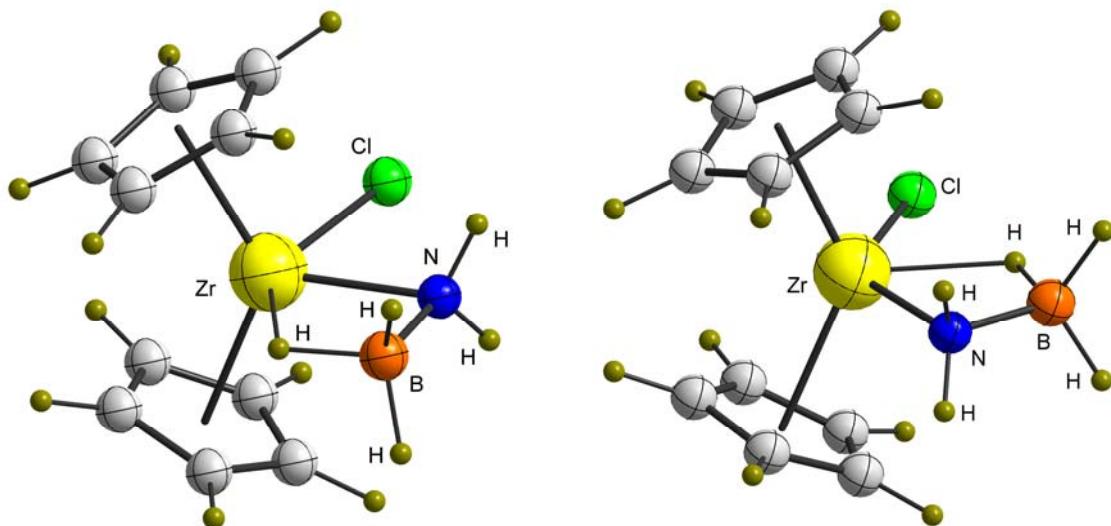
Identification code	tf823	
Empirical formula	$\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{15}\text{B Cl N Zr}$	
Formula weight	286.71	
Temperature	173(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P 1 2 <sub>1</sub> /c 1	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 8.1000(4)$ Å	$\alpha = 90^\circ$ .
	$b = 10.7920(6)$ Å	$\beta = 119.120(3)^\circ$ .
	$c = 15.0870(6)$ Å	$\gamma = 90^\circ$ .
Volume	1152.14(10) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.653 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	1.145 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	576	
Crystal size	0.10 x 0.05 x 0.04 mm <sup>3</sup>	
Theta range for data collection	3.03 to 27.45°.	
Index ranges	-9<=h<=10, -14<=k<=13, -19<=l<=19	
Reflections collected	10749	
Independent reflections	2626 [R(int) = 0.0704]	
Completeness to theta = 27.45°	99.7 %	
Absorption correction	Multi-scan	
Max. and min. transmission	0.9556 and 0.8941	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	
Data / restraints / parameters	2626 / 0 / 188	
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.042	
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0354, wR2 = 0.0691	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0624, wR2 = 0.0781	
Extinction coefficient	0.0071(9)	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.636 and -0.983 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>	

Table 13. Atomic coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{Cl})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **3a**. U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized  $U^{ij}$  tensor.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
C(1)	7946(5)	7732(4)	2618(2)	37(1)
C(2)	7050(5)	6591(4)	2246(3)	37(1)
C(3)	5192(5)	6823(4)	1499(3)	36(1)
C(4)	4943(5)	8119(4)	1394(3)	34(1)
C(5)	6633(5)	8668(3)	2110(3)	35(1)
C(6)	9866(5)	7423(3)	324(3)	31(1)
C(7)	8834(5)	6332(3)	27(3)	33(1)
C(8)	9099(6)	5706(3)	906(3)	40(1)
C(9)	10348(5)	6405(4)	1748(3)	43(1)
C(10)	10789(5)	7469(4)	1394(3)	35(1)
B(1)	4322(6)	6884(4)	-894(3)	32(1)
N(1)	5165(4)	8177(3)	-755(2)	31(1)
Zr(1)	7344(1)	7608(1)	839(1)	21(1)
Cl(1)	8244(1)	9890(1)	810(1)	31(1)



**Figure 6.** Solid-state molecular structures of **3a** with thermal ellipsoids at 50% probability.



**Figure 7.** Optimized molecular structures of **3a** (left) and **3b** (right).

Table 14. Bond lengths [ $\text{\AA}$ ] and angles [ $^\circ$ ] for  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{Cl})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **3a**

B(1)-Zr(1)	2.685(4)	B(1)-N(1)	1.523(5)
N(1)-Zr(1)	2.268(3)	Zr(1)-Cl(1)	2.5742(8)
N(1)-H(4)	0.98(4)	B(1)-H(1)	1.24(3)
N(1)-H(5)	0.93(5)	B(1)-H(3)	1.13(3)
Zr(1)-H(1)	2.02(3)	B(1)-H(2)	1.09(4)
C(6)-C(10)	1.384(5) - 1.412(5)	C(3)-Zr(1)	2.471(3) - 2.537(3)
N(1)-B(1)-Zr(1)	57.59(15)	B(1)-N(1)-Zr(1)	87.89(19)
N(1)-B(1)-H(1)	102.8(15)	N(1)-B(1)-H(3)	113(2)
Zr(1)-B(1)-H(1)	45.6(15)	Zr(1)-B(1)-H(3)	117.5(16)
H(1)-B(1)-H(3)	107(2)	Zr(1)-B(1)-H(2)	122.6(18)
N(1)-B(1)-H(2)	114.8(19)	H(1)-B(1)-H(2)	101(2)
H(3)-B(1)-H(2)	116(3)	Zr(1)-N(1)-H(4)	112(2)
B(1)-N(1)-H(4)	118(2)	B(1)-N(1)-H(5)	114(3)
Zr(1)-N(1)-H(5)	110(3)	N(1)-Zr(1)-Cl(1)	78.68(8)
H(4)-N(1)-H(5)	112(4)	N(1)-Zr(1)-H(1)	60.4(9)
Cl(1)-Zr(1)-H(1)	139.1(9)	C(7)-C(6)-C(10)	107.4(3) - 108.7(3)

Table 15. Anisotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{Cl})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **3a**. The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form:  $-2\pi^2 [ h^2 a^*{}^2 U^{11} + \dots + 2 h k a^* b^* U^{12} ]$

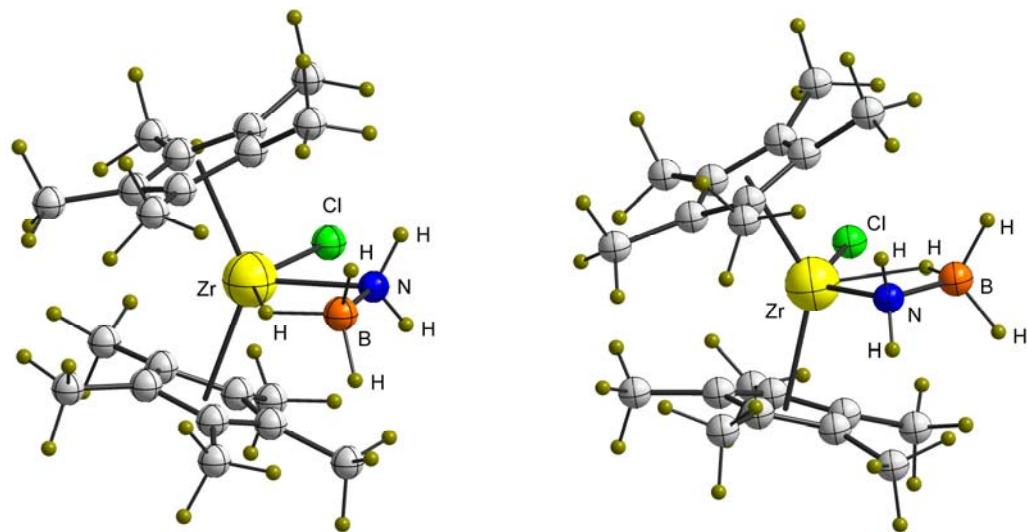
	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{23}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{12}$
C(1)	26(2)	66(3)	18(2)	-2(2)	10(1)	-3(2)
C(2)	45(2)	42(2)	35(2)	17(2)	28(2)	12(2)
C(3)	33(2)	45(2)	37(2)	-5(2)	23(2)	-12(2)
C(4)	27(2)	48(2)	33(2)	7(2)	19(2)	7(2)
C(5)	51(2)	35(2)	39(2)	-7(2)	37(2)	-5(2)
C(6)	27(2)	40(2)	31(2)	4(2)	19(1)	7(2)
C(7)	37(2)	37(2)	33(2)	-6(2)	23(2)	6(2)
C(8)	45(2)	28(2)	60(3)	14(2)	36(2)	17(2)
C(9)	35(2)	62(3)	32(2)	18(2)	16(2)	29(2)
C(10)	20(2)	53(2)	30(2)	-6(2)	10(1)	5(2)
B(1)	29(2)	33(2)	24(2)	1(2)	4(2)	0(2)
N(1)	28(2)	36(2)	25(1)	2(1)	9(1)	1(1)
Zr(1)	18(1)	25(1)	19(1)	1(1)	9(1)	2(1)
Cl(1)	33(1)	26(1)	34(1)	-1(1)	17(1)	-2(1)

Table 16. Hydrogen coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for  $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\text{Cl})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **3a**.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
H(6)	9110(50)	7820(30)	3080(30)	34(10)
H(7)	7570(40)	5830(30)	2450(20)	21(8)
H(8)	4280(50)	6280(30)	1140(30)	35(10)
H(9)	3910(50)	8500(40)	980(30)	47(11)
H(10)	6880(50)	9510(30)	2220(20)	34(9)
H(11)	9840(50)	8040(40)	-140(30)	46(11)
H(12)	8050(40)	6090(30)	-650(20)	21(8)
H(13)	8490(40)	5020(30)	880(20)	19(8)
H(14)	10690(60)	6180(40)	2420(30)	60(12)
H(15)	11490(50)	8050(40)	1770(30)	46(12)
H(1)	5450(40)	6350(30)	-100(20)	36(9)
H(3)	2910(50)	6880(30)	-910(20)	37(9)
H(2)	4440(50)	6310(30)	-1460(30)	48(10)
H(4)	5750(50)	8410(40)	-1170(30)	47(11)
H(5)	4400(60)	8810(50)	-730(30)	72(15)

## $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{Zr}(\text{Cl})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **4a** and **4b**

These compounds were not observed experimentally.



**Figure 8.** Optimized molecular structures of  $\text{Cp}^*_2\text{Zr}(\text{Cl})\text{NH}_2\text{BH}_3$ , **4a** (left) and **4b** (right). These compounds were not observed experimentally.

## Computational Details

Molecular Structures were optimized using density functional theory. ThePBE1PBE hybrid functional<sup>6</sup> was used in together with the def2-TZVP basis set.<sup>7</sup> Frequency calculations were performed on the optimized structures to ensure that they represent stable minima on the potential energy surface. All calculations were performed with the Gaussian 03 program package.<sup>8</sup>

**Optimized coordinates of 1a in mol2 format (Figure 2 and 4):**

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      4   C    6.8984    6.2147    1.7214  C.3    1  RES1    0.0000
      5   C    7.3892    7.3945    2.3325  C.3    1  RES1    0.0000
      6   ZR   5.2897    8.0486    1.1565  ZR     1  RES1    0.0000
      7   C    3.8235    9.1466    2.8762  C.3    1  RES1    0.0000
      8   C    4.3669    7.9897    3.4717  C.3    1  RES1    0.0000
      9   C    3.8341    6.8580    2.8056  C.3    1  RES1    0.0000
     10   C    2.9617    7.3181    1.8016  C.3    1  RES1    0.0000
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### Optimized coordinates of 1b in mol2 format (Figure 2 and 4):

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 3  C      -2.4577      2.6599      5.3444  C.3      1  RES1      0.0000
 4  C      -2.1677      3.4739      6.4609  C.3      1  RES1      0.0000
 5  C      -0.9159      4.0842      6.2363  C.3      1  RES1      0.0000
 6  ZR     -0.4594      1.6356      6.4580  ZR       1  RES1      0.0000
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 9  C      1.2267       0.2032      7.6438  C.3      1  RES1      0.0000
10  C      1.1110       1.3935      8.3971  C.3      1  RES1      0.0000
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**Optimized coordinates of 2a in mol2 format (Figure 5):**

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 37  H     2.2520   -1.9579    2.3899   H     1  RES1   0.1573
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### Optimized coordinates of 2b in mol2 format (Figure 5):

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    4 C      -2.4742     -0.2605     -0.8753  C.3      1 RES1      0.0000
    5 C      -2.0245      1.0869     -0.8612  C.3      1 RES1      0.0000
    6 ZR      0.0000     -0.3194     -0.2585  ZR       1 RES1      0.0000
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    9 C      2.1532     -0.2733      1.1020  C.3      1 RES1      0.0000
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   11 C      2.3103      0.2931     -1.1185  C.3      1 RES1      0.0000
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   21 C      2.6954      0.2672     -2.5596  C.3      1 RES1      0.0000
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**Optimized coordinates of 3a in mol2 format (Figure 7):**

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4	ZR	5.3449	8.2213	1.1090	ZR	1	RES1	0.0000
5	C	4.4993	8.3898	3.4588	C.3	1	RES1	0.0000
6	C	3.1065	7.3799	1.9556	C.3	1	RES1	0.0000
7	C	4.0529	7.1362	2.9645	C.3	1	RES1	0.0000
8	C	2.9756	8.7811	1.8083	C.3	1	RES1	0.0000
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### Optimized coordinates of 3b in mol2 format (Figure 7):

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### Optimized coordinates of 4a in mol2 format (Figure 8):

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**Optimized coordinates of 4b in mol2 format (Figure 8):**

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