

**Supporting Information.**

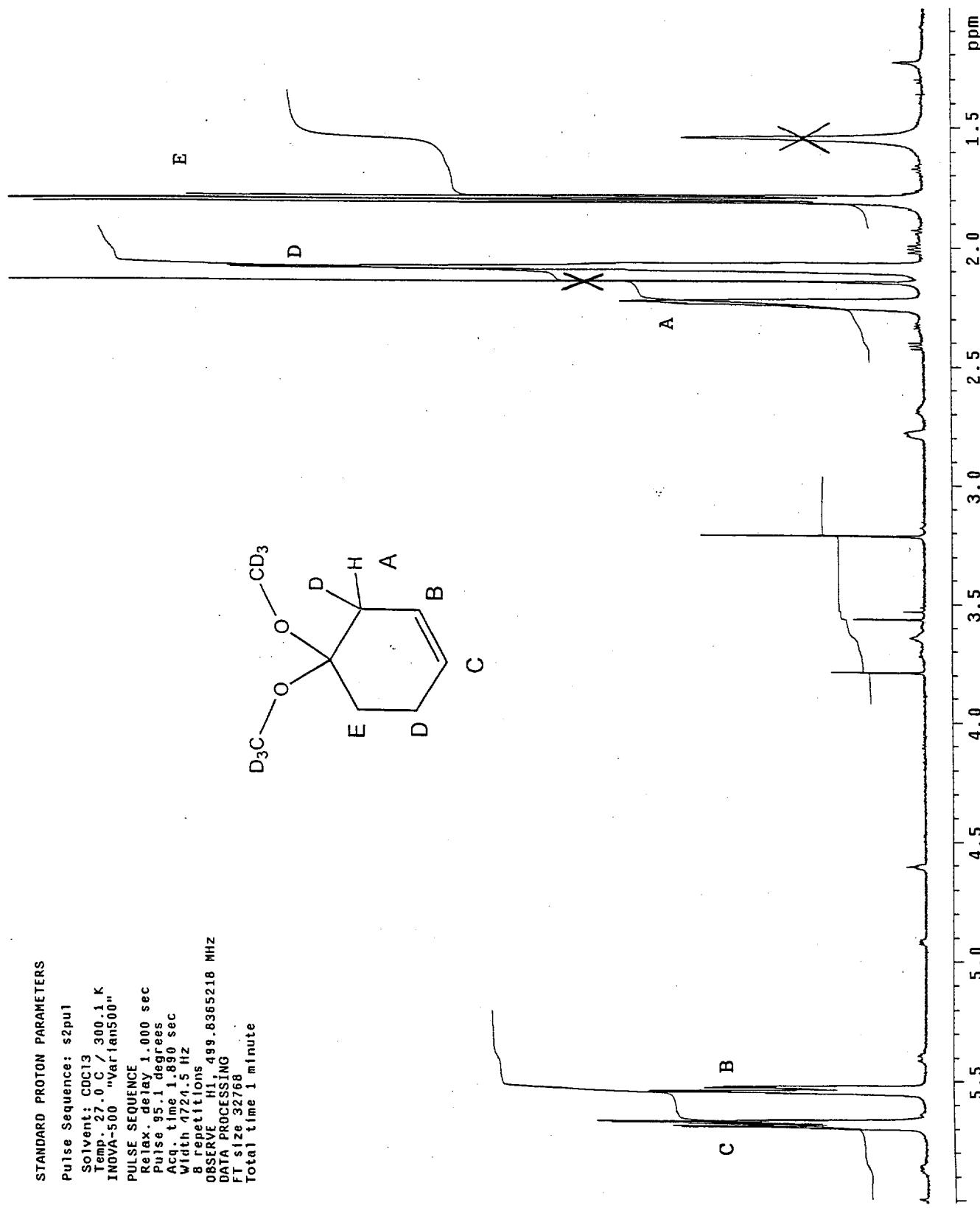
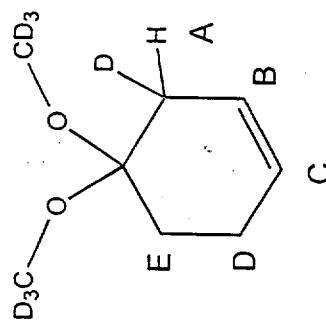
**Cyclohexa-3-eneone dimethyl ketal, 5.** 10 mg **1** (Aldrich, purified by preparative gas chromatography at 90 C on a 12 ft 0.25 inch 20% Carbowax 20M column) was dissolved in 0.6 ml dry methanol-d<sub>4</sub>, and approximately 0.1 mg *p*-toluenesulfonic acid was added. The reaction was followed by NMR and/or GC (15 meter DB-1 megabore column). The reaction was quenched by the addition of excess sodium bicarbonate, and product isolated by preparative gas chromatography at 110 C on a 12 ft 0.25 inch 20% Carbowax 20M column. No change in the product mixture was observed following addition of the base. NMR spectra were identical to those of independently synthesized material generated from 1-methoxy-1,4-cyclohexadiene using the procedure of Lambert.<sup>2</sup>

Spectra Included in package:

<sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR, and <sup>1</sup>H COSY of deuterated product purified by preparative gas chromatography.

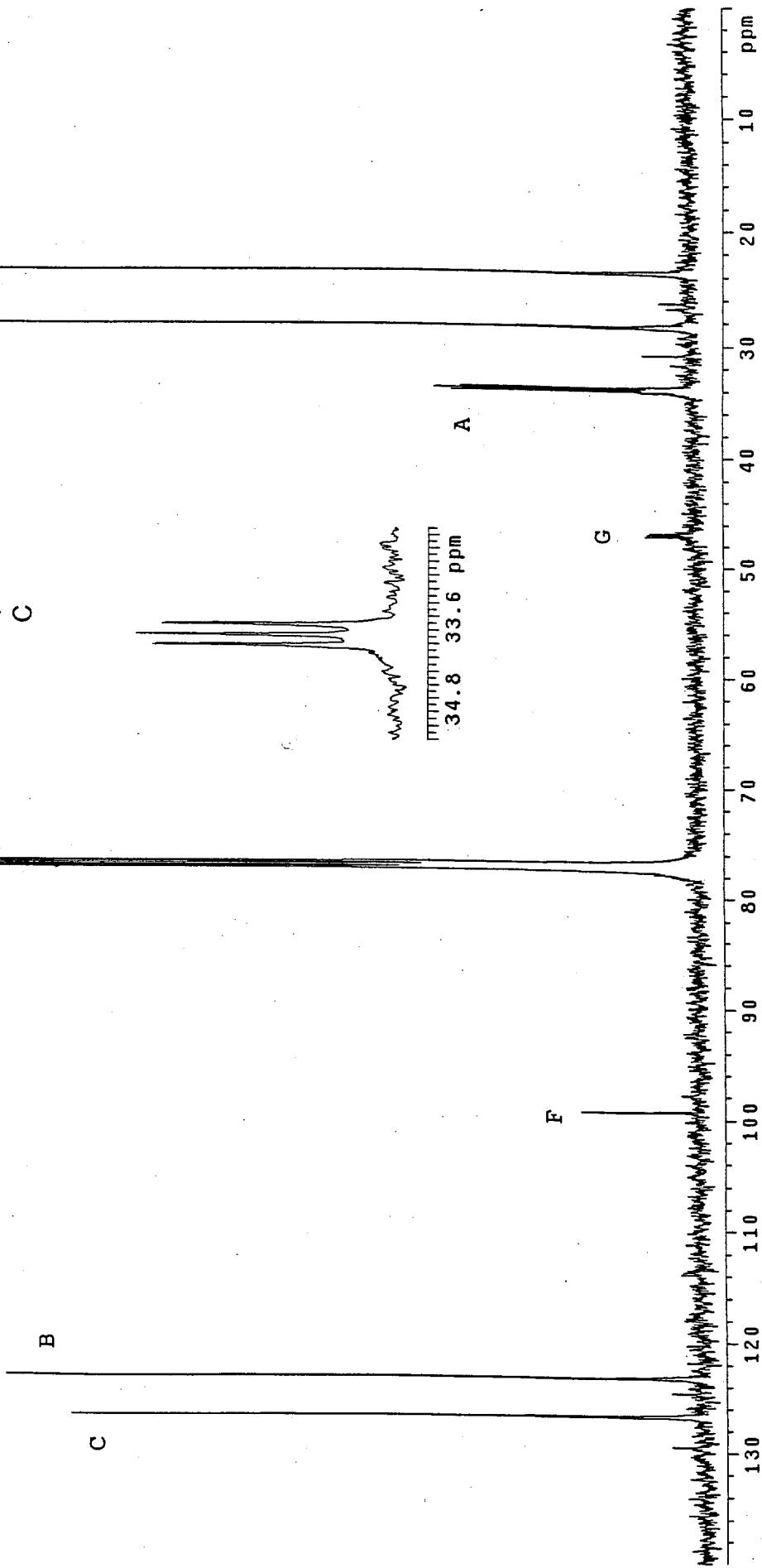
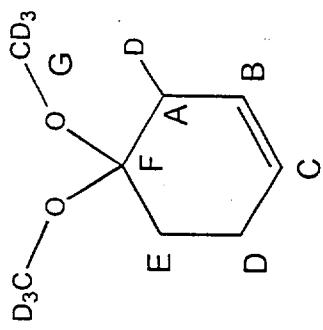
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Pulse 95.1 degrees  
Acq. time 1.890 sec  
Width 1721.5 Hz  
8 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1 499.8365218 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 32768  
Total time 1 minute



**STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS**

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 Pulse 51.3 degrees  
 Acq. time 1.300 sec  
 Width 2500.0 Hz  
 6000 repetitions  
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 DECOUPLE H1, 499.8390036 MHz  
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 WALTZ-16 modulated  
 DATA PROCESSING  
 Line broadening 2.9 Hz  
 FT size 65536  
 Total time 10.5 hours



STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS  
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2D Width 3020.2 Hz  
4 repetitions  
128 increments  
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F1 DATA PROCESSING  
Sine bell 0.021 sec  
FT size 1024 × 1024  
Total time 10 minutes

