

Supporting Information
for
Rh(I)-catalyzed intramolecular [2 + 2 + 1] cycloaddition of allenenes: Construction of bicyclo[4.3.0]nonenones with an angular methyl group and tricyclo[6.4.0.0^{1,5}]dodecenone

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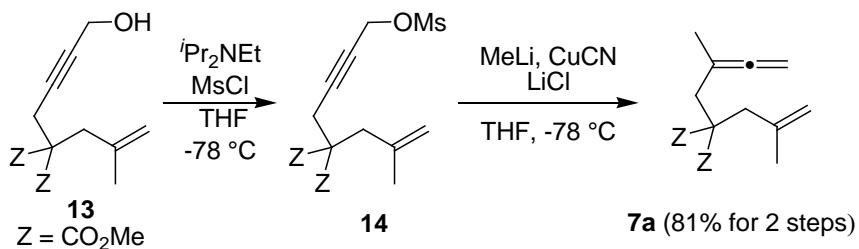
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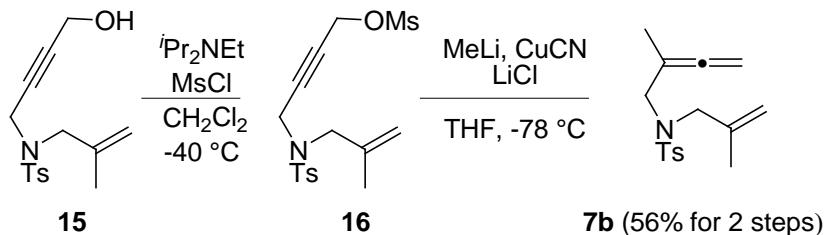
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General. Melting points are uncorrected. IR spectra were measured in CHCl_3 . ^1H NMR spectra were taken in CDCl_3 except for the compound **9e** ($(\text{CD}_3)_2\text{CO}$). CHCl_3 (7.26 ppm) for silyl compounds and tetramethylsilane (0.00 ppm) for compounds without a silyl group were used as internal standards unless otherwise stated. ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl_3 with CDCl_3 (77.00 ppm) as an internal standard unless otherwise stated. All reactions were carried out under a nitrogen atmosphere. Silica gel (silica gel 60, 230–400 mesh) was used for chromatography. Organic extracts were dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 .



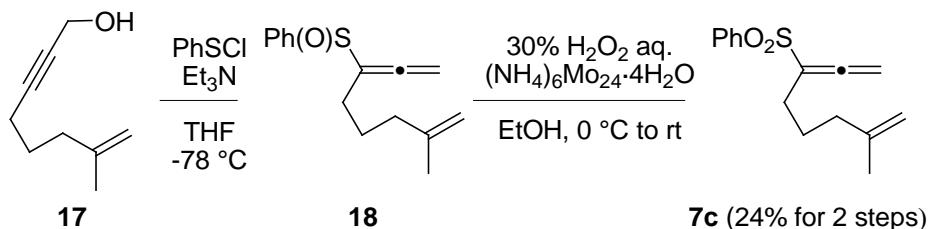
5,5-Bis(methoxycarbonyl)-3,7-dimethylocta-1,2,7-triene (7a).

To a solution of **13** [1] (727 mg, 2.86 mmol) in THF (29 mL) were added $^i\text{Pr}_2\text{NEt}$ (2.0 mL, 11 mmol) and MsCl (0.65 mL, 8.4 mmol) at -78 °C. After stirring for 1.5 h at the same temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 , and the mixture extracted with AcOEt . The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. The residue was passed through a short pad of silica gel with hexane- AcOEt (4:1) to afford crude **14**. MeLi (1.09 M in Et_2O , 9.9 mL, 11 mmol) was added gradually to a solution of CuCN (967 mg, 10.8 mmol) and LiCl (915 mg, 21.6 mmol) in THF (27 mL) at -78 °C. The reaction mixture was then warmed to -20 °C and at this temperature the solids dissolved. The reaction mixture was re-cooled to -78 °C and the crude **14** added. After stirring for 1.5 h at the same temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH_4Cl and then extracted with AcOEt . The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by chromatography with hexane- AcOEt (15:1) as eluent to afford **7a** (577 mg, 81% for 2 steps) as a colorless oil: IR 1959, 1732 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 4.86–4.85 (m, 1H), 4.72–4.71 (m, 1H), 4.59 (s, 2H, J = 3.0 Hz), 3.69 (s, 6H), 2.81 (s, 2H), 2.62 (t, 2H, J = 3.0 Hz), 1.65–1.64 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR δ 206.8, 171.5, 140.7, 115.5, 93.8, 75.2, 56.8, 52.3, 39.8, 35.1, 23.3, 20.3; MS m/z 252 (M^+ , 31.2); HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_4$ 252.1362, found 252.1363.



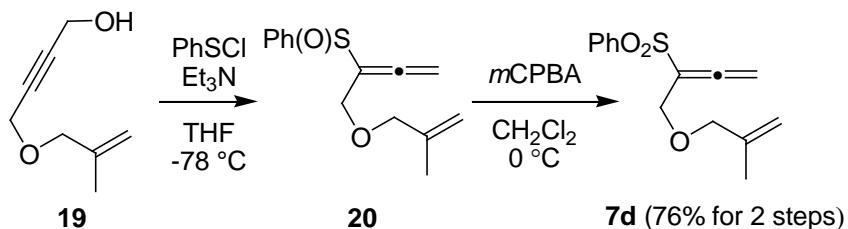
3,7-Dimethyl-*N*-(4-methylbenzenesulfonyl)-5-azaocta-1,2,7-triene (7b).

To a solution of **15** [2] (100 mg, 0.340 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (3.4 mL) were added $^i\text{Pr}_2\text{NET}$ (0.24 mL, 1.4 mmol) and MsCl (0.080 mL, 1.0 mmol) at -40 °C. After stirring for 1 h at the same temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 and the mixture extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. The residue was passed through a short pad of silica gel with hexane-AcOEt (2:1) as eluent to afford crude **16**. MeLi (1.09 M in Et_2O , 1.20 mL, 1.36 mmol) was added gradually to a solution of CuCN (121 mg, 1.36 mmol) and LiCl (115 mg, 2.72 mmol) in THF (3.4 mL) at -78 °C. The reaction mixture was then warmed to -20 °C and at this temperature the solids dissolved. The reaction mixture was re-cooled to -78 °C and the crude **16** added. After stirring for 1.5 h at the same temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH_4Cl and extracted with AcOEt. The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by chromatography with hexane-AcOEt (15:1) as eluent to afford **7b** (56.0 mg, 56% for 2 steps) as a yellow oil: IR 1961, 1338, 1157 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 7.69 (d, 2H, J = 8.2 Hz), 7.28 (d, 2H, J = 8.2 Hz), 4.87 (s, 1H), 4.81 (s, 1H), 4.48 (s, 2H, J = 3.0 Hz), 3.739 (t, 2H, J = 3.0 Hz), 3.731 (s, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 1.63 (s, 3H), 1.57 (t, 3H, J = 3.0 Hz); ^{13}C NMR δ 207.3, 142.9, 140.0, 137.5, 129.4, 127.1, 114.2, 94.2, 74.9, 53.2, 50.3, 21.4, 19.9, 16.1; MS m/z 291 (M^+ , 20.4); HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_2\text{S}$ 291.1293, found 291.1292.



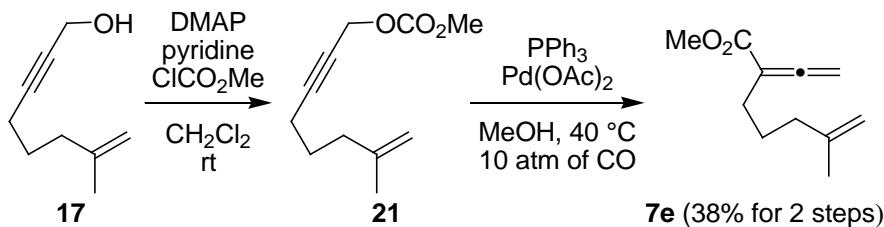
7-Methyl-3-phenylsulfonylocta-1,2,7-triene (7c).

PhSCl (310 mg, 2.2 mmol) in THF (2.2 mL) was added gradually to a solution of **17** [2] (100 mg, 0.724 mmol) and Et₃N (0.90 mL, 6.5 mmol) in THF (4.8 mL) at -78 °C. After stirring for 2.5 h at the same temperature, the reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and the mixture extracted with AcOEt. The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. The residue was passed through a short pad of silica gel with hexane-AcOEt (9:1) as eluent to afford crude **18**. To a solution of (NH₄)₆Mo₇O₂₄·4H₂O (520 mg, 0.421 mmol) in EtOH (4.0mL) was added 30% H₂O₂ (2.0 mL) at 0 °C. After stirring for 30 min at the same temperature, the crude **18** in EtOH (8.0 mL) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture at the same temperature. After the complete addition of the crude **18**, the reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred overnight. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and then extracted with AcOEt. The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by chromatography with hexane-AcOEt (15:1) as eluent to afford **7c** (44.8 mg, 24% for 2 steps) as a pale yellow oil: IR 1969, 1940, 1649, 1317, 1307, 1149 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 7.89 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 7.62 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 7.53 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 5.36 (t, 2H, *J* = 3.4 Hz), 4.66 (s, 1H), 4.57 (s, 1H), 2.22 (tt, 2H, *J* = 7.5, 3.4 Hz), 1.96 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 1.63 (s, 3H), 1.56 (quin, 2H, *J* = 7.5 Hz); ¹³C NMR δ 207.7, 144.6, 140.1, 133.4, 129.0, 128.0, 113.1, 110.5, 84.3, 36.7, 26.1, 25.3, 22.1; MS *m/z* 262 (M⁺, 7.0); HRMS calcd for C₁₅H₁₈O₂S 262.1028, found 262.1023.



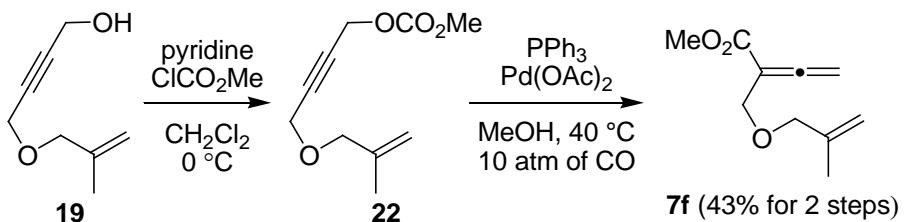
7-Methyl-3-phenylsulfonyl-5-oxaocta-1,2,7-triene (7d).

PhSCl (430 mg, 3.0 mmol) in THF (3.0 mL) was added gradually to a solution of **19** [3] (140 mg, 1.00 mmol) and Et₃N (0.42 mL, 3.0 mmol) in THF (10 mL) at -78 °C. After stirring for 2.5 h at the same temperature, the reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and the mixture extracted with AcOEt. The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was passed through a short pad of silica gel with hexane-AcOEt (4:1) as eluent to afford the crude sulfoxide. To a solution of the crude sulfoxide in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was added *m*CPBA (313 mg, 1.20 mmol) at the 0 °C. After stirring for 1 h, the reaction mixture was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous Na₂S₂O₃ and NaHCO₃ and then extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by chromatography with hexane-AcOEt (10:1) as eluent to afford **7d** (200 mg, 76% for 2 steps) as a colorless oil: IR 1967, 1929, 1321, 1153 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 7.94–7.91 (m, 2H), 7.63–7.58 (m, 1H), 7.54–7.50 (m, 2H), 5.47 (d, 1H, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 5.46 (d, 1H, *J* = 2.0 Hz), 4.81 (s, 1H), 4.78 (s, 1H), 4.28 (d, 1H, *J* = 2.1 Hz), 4.27 (d, 1H, *J* = 2.1 Hz), 3.69 (s, 2H), 1.60 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 209.4, 140.9, 140.8, 133.3, 128.8, 127.8, 112.7, 110.1, 83.6, 73.6, 65.4, 19.1; MS *m/z* 264 (M⁺, 1.6); HRMS calcd for C₁₄H₁₆O₃S 264.0820, found 264.0817.



3-Methoxycarbonyl-7-methylocta-1,2,7-triene (7e).

To a solution of **17** [2] (100 mg, 0.724 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (3.4 mL) were added DMAP (18 mg, 0.15 mmol), pyridine (0.63 mL, 7.8 mmol) and ClCO_2Me (0.20 mL, 2.6 mmol) at room temperature. After stirring for 5 h at the same temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The extract was washed successively with water, 10% aqueous HCl and brine, dried, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was passed through a short pad of silica gel with hexane-AcOEt (10:1) as eluent to afford crude **21**. To a solution of the crude **21** in MeOH (1.0 mL) were added $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (5.8 mg, 2.6×10^{-2} mmol) and PPh_3 (27.3 mg, 0.104 mmol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was warmed to 40 °C under CO (10 atm) and stirred for 12 h. The MeOH was evaporated and the residue purified by chromatography with hexane-AcOEt (20:1) as eluent to afford **7e** (50.0 mg, 38% for 2 steps) as a colorless oil: IR 1967, 1936, 1712 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 5.09 (t, 2H, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 4.67–4.63 (m, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.19 (tt, 2H, $J = 7.7, 3.0$ Hz), 2.01 (t, 2H, $J = 7.7$ Hz), 1.67 (s, 3H), 1.56 (quin, 2H, $J = 7.7$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR δ 213.8, 167.6, 145.3, 110.1, 99.9, 78.9, 52.1, 37.0, 27.5, 25.8, 22.2; MS m/z 180 (M^+ , 8.2); HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_2$ 180.1150, found 180.1146.



3-Methoxycarbonyl-7-methyl-5-oxaocta-1,2,7-triene (7f).

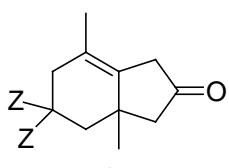
To a solution of **19** [3] (142 mg, 1.00 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (5.0 mL) were added pyridine (0.24 mL, 3.0 mmol) and ClCO_2Me (0.15 mL, 2.0 mmol) at 0 °C. After stirring for 30 min at the same temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched by the addition of water and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The extract was washed successively with water, 5% aqueous HCl and brine, dried, and concentrated to dryness. The residue was passed through a short pad of silica gel with hexane-AcOEt (5:1) as eluent to afford crude **22** (194 mg). To a solution of the crude **22** (105 mg) in MeOH (1.0 mL) were added $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (5.7 mg, 2.5×10^{-2} mmol) and PPh_3 (26.2 mg, 0.100 mmol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was warmed to 40 °C under CO (10 atm) and stirred for 11 h. The MeOH was evaporated and the residue purified by chromatography with hexane-AcOEt (50:1) as eluent to afford **7f** (42.0 mg, 43% for 2 steps) as a colorless oil: IR 1967, 1930, 1751, 1713 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 5.22 (d, 1H, J = 2.1 Hz), 5.21 (d, 1H, J = 2.1 Hz), 4.97–4.91 (m, 1H), 4.89–4.84 (m, 1H), 4.15 (d, 1H, J = 2.1 Hz), 4.14 (d, 1H, J = 2.1 Hz), 3.90 (s, 2H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 1.70 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR δ 214.6, 166.3, 141.8, 112.7, 97.9, 79.6, 74.3, 66.4, 52.3, 19.4; FABMS m/z 183 ($\text{M}^+ + 1$, 10.9); FABHRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_3$ 183.1021, found 183.1016.

Alcohols **13**, **15**, **17**, **19** were known compounds, see: [1] Kitamura, T.; Sato, Y.; Mori, M. *Adv. Synth. Catal.* **2002**, *344*, 678–693; [2] Shen, K.-H.; Lush, S.-F.; Chen, T.-L.; Liu, R.-S. *J. Org. Chem.* **2001**, *66*, 8106–8111; [3] Padwa, A.; Lipka, H.; Watterson, S. H.; Murphree, S. S. *J. Org. Chem.* **2003**, *68*, 6238–6250.

Allenenes **1a**, **1b**, **7g** were known compounds, see: [4] Inagaki, F.; Mukai, C. *Org. Lett.* **2006**, 8, 1217–1220; [5] Tarselli, M. A.; Chianese, A. R.; Lee, S. J.; Gagné, M. R. *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2007**, 46, 6670–6673.

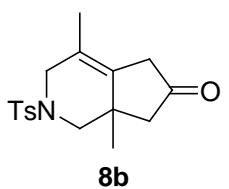
General Procedure for Pauson–Khand-type [2 + 2 + 1] cycloaddition under the atmosphere consisting of 0.05 atm of CO and 0.95 atm of Ar.

To a solution of allenene (0.100 mmol) in toluene (1.0 mL) were added 5 mol % $[\text{RhCl}(\text{CO})\text{dppp}]_2$ and 12 mol % AgBF_4 in toluene (0.2 mL) and then stirred for 15 min at room temperature under an argon atmosphere. The argon atmosphere was replaced with the atmosphere consisting of CO and argon (1:19) and the reaction mixture was heated under reflux until complete disappearance of the starting material (monitored by TLC). The toluene was evaporated and the residual oil purified by chromatography with hexane-AcOEt as eluent to afford the cyclized product. Chemical yields are summarized in Table 1 and 2.



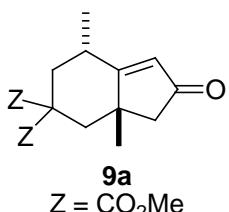
4,4-Bis(methoxycarbonyl)-2,6-dimethylbicyclo[4.3.0]non-1-en-8-one (8a).

Compound **8a**, colorless oil; IR 1747, 1732 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.96–2.83 (m, 3H), 2.41 (d, 1H, J = 14.0 Hz), 2.31–2.20 (m, 4H), 1.66 (s, 3H), 0.97 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR δ 215.5, 172.2, 172.1, 132.4, 124.2, 56.6, 53.0, 52.7, 52.5, 39.8, 39.6, 39.2, 35.2, 26.1, 19.6; MS m/z 280 (M^+ , 51.8); HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_5$ 280.1310, found 280.1307.



2,6-Dimethyl-N-(4-methylphenylsulfonyl)-4-azabicyclo[4.3.0]non-1-en-8-one (8b).

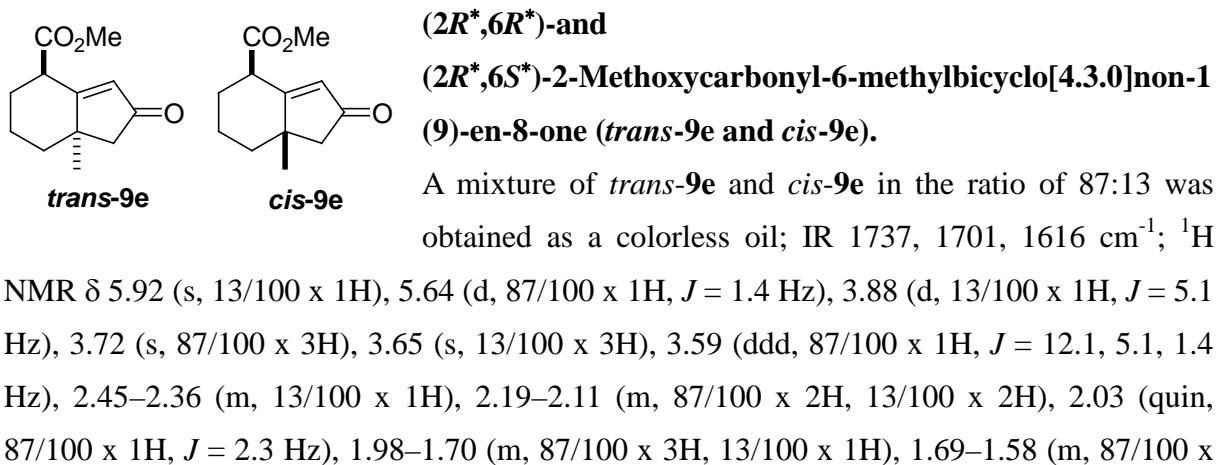
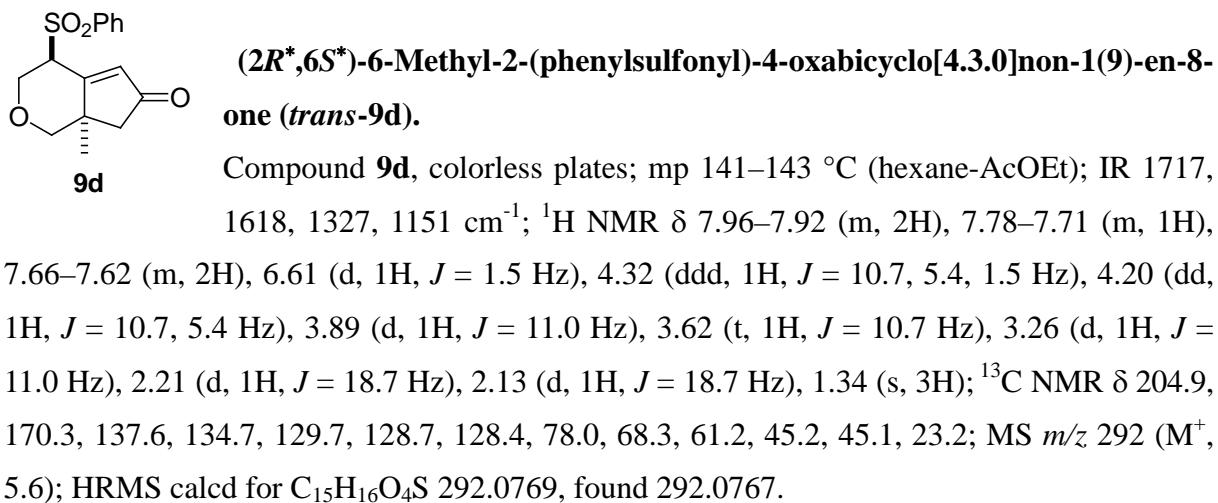
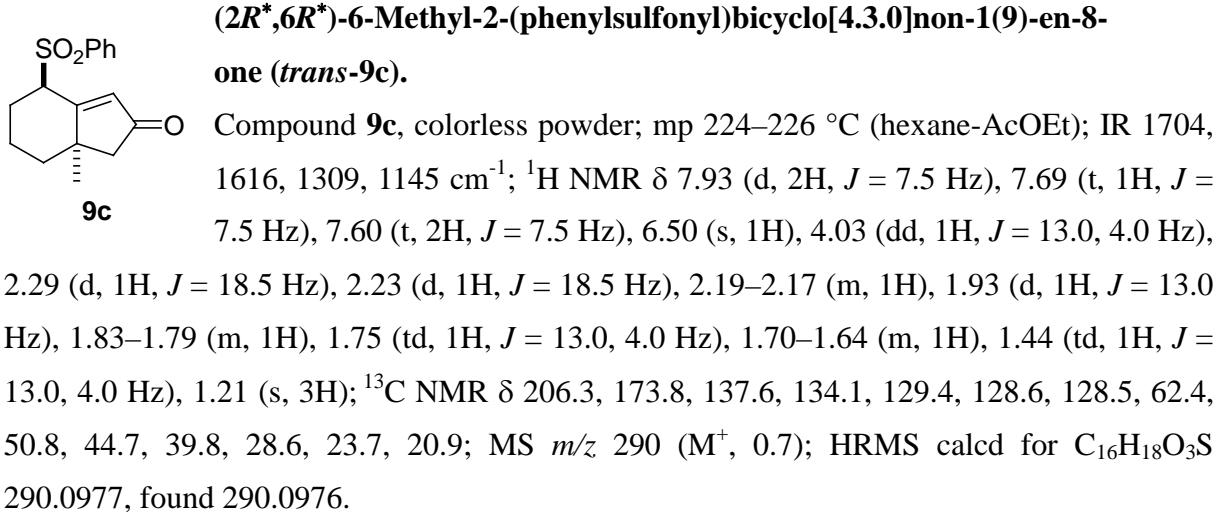
Compound **8b**, yellow oil; IR 1747, 1338, 1166 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 7.68 (d, 2H, J = 8.5 Hz), 7.33 (d, 2H, J = 8.5 Hz), 3.96 (d, 1H, J = 16.4 Hz), 3.85 (d, 1H, J = 10.3 Hz), 3.04 (d, 1H, J = 16.4 Hz), 2.89 (s, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.31 (d, 1H, J = 10.3 Hz), 2.25 (d, 1H, J = 16.4 Hz), 2.05 (d, 1H, J = 16.4 Hz), 1.57 (s, 3H), 1.27 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR δ 213.9, 143.6, 133.5, 132.6, 129.7, 127.5, 122.3, 53.8, 51.6, 48.4, 40.7, 39.1, 24.3, 21.4, 16.6; MS m/z 319 (M^+ , 53.4); HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_3\text{S}$ 319.1242, found 319.1238.



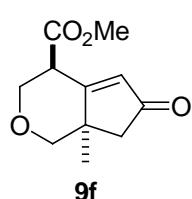
(2*R,6*R**)-4,4-Bis(methoxycarbonyl)-2,6-dimethylbicyclo[4.3.0]non-1(9)-en-8-one (*trans*-9a).**

Compound **9a**, colorless oil; IR 1730, 1685, 1616 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 5.81 (d, 1H, J = 1.7 Hz), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.98 (dquin, 1H, J = 12.6, 6.3 Hz), 2.70–2.66 (m, 2H), 2.30 (s, 2H), 2.05 (d, 1H, J = 14.4 Hz), 1.33–1.28 (m, 1H), 1.21 (d, 3H, J = 6.3 Hz), 1.11 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR δ 206.6, 189.7, 171.9, 171.4, 124.9,

53.6, 53.2, 53.0, 52.6, 43.5, 42.8, 40.4, 28.9, 25.4, 17.8; MS m/z 280 (M^+ , 51.8); HRMS calcd for $C_{15}H_{20}O_5$ 280.1310, found 280.1307.



1H, 13/100 x 1H), 1.55–1.52 (m, 13/100 x 2H), 1.50–1.40 (m, 87/100 x 1H, 13/100 x 1H), 1.29 (s, 87/100 x 3H), 1.12 (s, 13/100 x 3H); ^{13}C NMR δ 207.3, 206.8, 182.4, 181.9, 172.3, 171.4, 130.4, 126.2, 52.6, 52.2, 52.0, 51.8, 44.1, 43.58, 43.53, 43.3, 40.4, 40.1, 30.5, 28.4, 24.3, 24.1, 20.8, 18.9; MS m/z 208 (M^+ , 38.5); HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_3$ 208.1099, found 208.1103.



(2R*,6S*)-2-Methoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-4-oxabicyclo[4.3.0]non-1(9)-en-8-one (*trans*-9f).

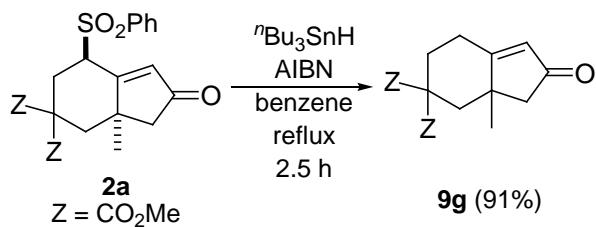
Compound **9f**, colorless oil; IR 1738, 1713, 1620 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 5.96 (d, 1H, J = 1.8 Hz), 4.37 (dd, 1H, J = 11.0, 5.5 Hz), 3.92 (d, 1H, J = 11.0 Hz), 3.80 (ddd, 1H, J = 11.0, 5.5, 1.8 Hz), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.54 (t, 1H, J = 11.0 Hz), 3.25 (d, 1H, J = 11.0 Hz), 2.24 (d, 1H, J = 18.5 Hz), 2.13 (d, 1H, J = 18.5 Hz), 1.40 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR δ 205.4, 178.2, 169.6, 126.7, 78.3, 69.9, 52.2, 46.1, 44.2, 44.0, 23.2; MS m/z 210 (M^+ , 100.0); HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_4$ 210.0892, found 210.0894.

Synthesis of

(2R*,6R*)-4,4-Bis(methoxycarbonyl)-6-methyl-2-phenylsulfonylbicyclo[4.3.0]non-1(9)-en-8-one (*trans*-2a).

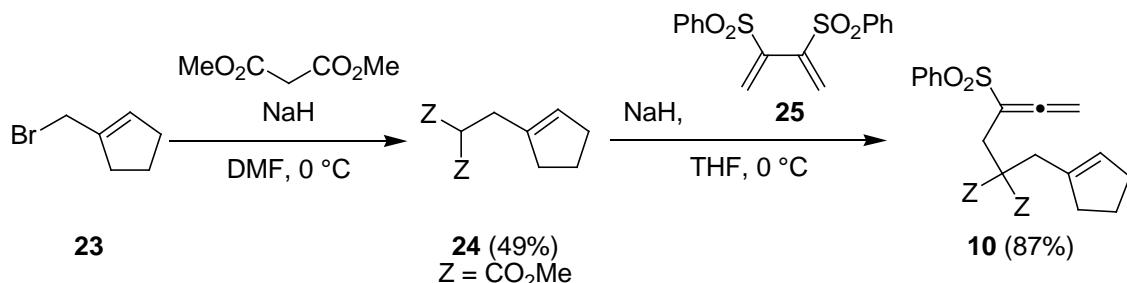
To a solution of **1a** (37.2 mg, 0.10 mmol) in toluene (1.0 mL) was added $[\text{RhCl}(\text{CO})\text{dppp}]_2$ (6.0 mg, 5.0×10^{-3} mmol). The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 1 h under CO (1 atm). The solvent was evaporated and the residue purified by chromatography with hexane-AcOEt (1:1) as eluent to afford **2a** (35.2 mg, 88%).

Bicyclic compounds **2a**, **2b** were known compounds, see reference [4]: Inagaki, F.; Mukai, C. *Org. Lett.* **2006**, 8, 1217–1220.



4,4-Bismethoxycarbonyl-6-methyl-bicyclo[4.3.0]non-1(9)-en-8-one (9g).

To a solution of **2a** (40.6 mg, 0.100 mmol) in benzene (2.0 mL) were added $n\text{Bu}_3\text{SnH}$ (0.05 mL, 0.2 mmol) and AIBN (1.6 mg, 9.7×10^{-3} mmol). After heating under reflux for 2.5 h, the solvent was evaporated and the residue purified by chromatography with hexane-AcOEt (10:1) as eluent to afford **9g** (24.3 mg, 91%) as colorless needles, mp 70–72 °C (hexane); IR 1730, 1683, 1625 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 5.83 (d, 1H, $J = 1.4$ Hz), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.82 (tdd, 1H, $J = 13.6, 5.0, 1.4$ Hz), 2.77–2.72 (m, 1H), 2.70–2.66 (m, 2H), 2.28 (d, 2H, $J = 2.4$ Hz), 2.09 (d, 1H, $J = 13.6$ Hz), 1.64–1.58 (m, 1H), 1.10 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR δ 206.8, 185.0, 171.7, 171.5, 127.0, 53.0, 52.9, 52.8, 52.6, 43.4, 42.2, 32.2, 24.9, 24.5; MS m/z 266 (M^+ , 30.8); HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_5$ 266.1154, found 266.1154.



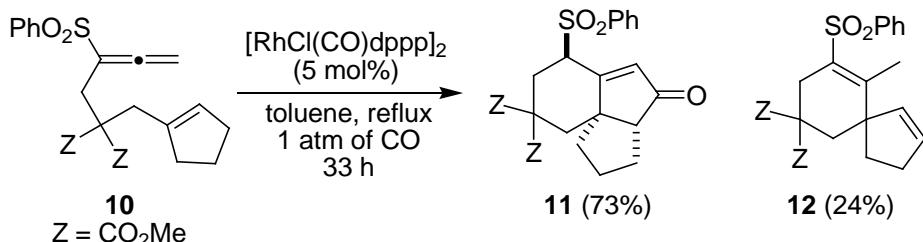
Dimethyl (cyclopent-1-en-1-ylmethyl)malonate (24).

To a solution of dimethyl malonate (32 mg, 0.24 mmol) in DMF (2.0 mL) was added NaH (9.6 mg, 0.24 mmol) at 0 °C. After stirring for 1 h, **23** [6] (13 mg, 0.080 mmol) in DMF (1.0 mL) was added to the reaction mixture at 0 °C. After stirring for 2 h at room temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched by addition of water and extracted with Et_2O . The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by chromatography with hexane-AcOEt (4:1) as eluent to afford **24** as a yellow oil (8.4 mg, 49%): IR 1751, 1732 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR δ 5.38 (t, 1H, $J = 1.3$ Hz), 3.72 (s, 6H), 3.60 (t, 1H, $J = 7.6$ Hz), 2.68 (dd, 2H, $J = 7.6, 1.3$ Hz), 2.28–2.21 (m, 4H), 1.85 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR δ 169.9, 140.3, 125.9, 52.5, 50.5, 34.9, 32.5, 30.4, 23.3; MS m/z 212 (M^+ , 8.4); HRMS calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_4$ 212.1049, found 212.1051.

Dimethyl 2-(cyclopent-1-en-1-ylmethyl)-2-[2-(phenylsulfonyl)buta-2,3-dienyl]malonate (10).

To a solution of **24** (212 mg, 1.00 mmol) in THF (10 mL) was added NaH (40 mg, 1.0 mmol) at 0 °C. After stirring for 1.5 h, a solution of **25** [7] (334 mg, 1.00 mmol) in THF (10 mL) was added to the reaction mixture at 0 °C. After stirring for 10 min at the same temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched by addition of water and extracted with AcOEt. The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. The residue was purified by chromatography with hexane-AcOEt (3:1 to 1:1) as eluent to afford **10** (353 mg, 87%) as colorless needles: mp 113 °C (hexane-AcOEt); IR 1971, 1938, 1736, 1225, 1153 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 7.88 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 7.63 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 7.55 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 5.41 (t, 2H, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 5.23 (s, 1H), 3.64 (s, 6H), 2.90 (t, 2H, *J* = 3.8 Hz), 2.81 (s, 2H), 2.16–2.14 (m, 2H), 2.02–2.00 (m, 2H), 1.75–1.70 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR δ 207.9, 170.3, 139.9, 137.9, 133.5, 129.8, 129.1, 128.2, 109.4, 85.8, 56.1, 52.6, 35.4, 33.5, 32.3, 28.4, 23.6; MS *m/z* 404 (M⁺, 4.2); Anal. Calcd for C₂₁H₂₄O₆S: C, 62.36; H, 5.98. Found: C, 62.30; H 6.01.

Compounds **23** and **25** were known compounds, see: [6] Kim, D. D.; Lee, S. J.; Beak, P. *J. Org. Chem.* **2005**, *70*, 5376–5386. [7] Jaganathan, S.; Okamura, W. H. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1982**, *23*, 4763–4764.

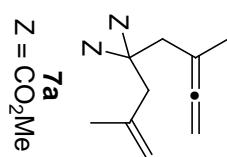
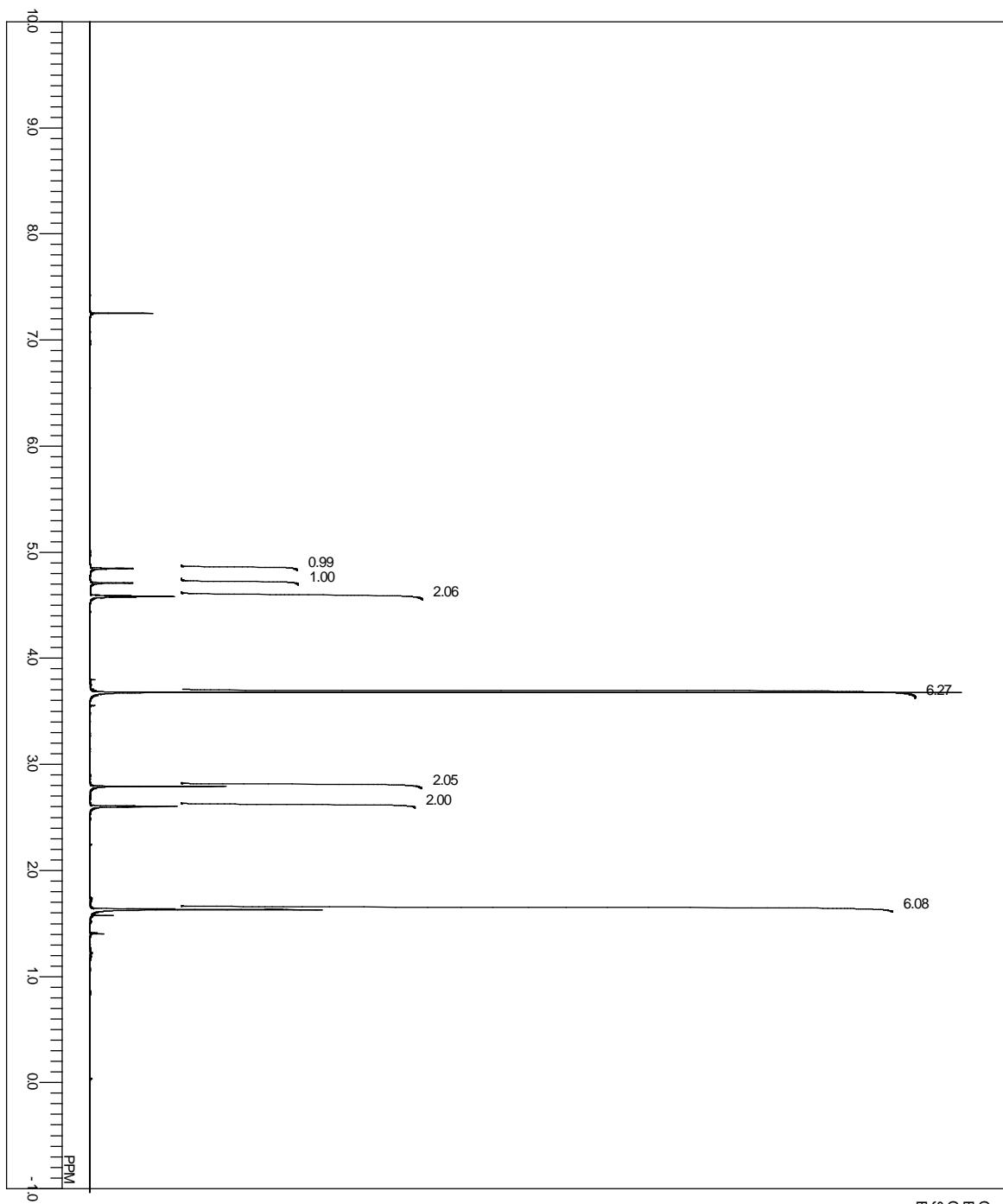


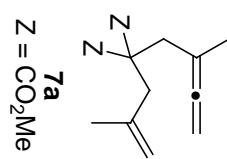
11-Bis(methoxycarbonyl)-9-phenylsulfonyltricyclo[6.4.0.0^{1,5}]dodec-7-ene-6-one (11) and 9-Bismethoxycarbonyl-7-phenylsulfonylspiro[4.5]deca-1,6-diene (12).

According to the same procedure described for preparation of **2a**, **11** (31 mg, 73%) and **12** (9.9 mg, 24%) were obtained from **10** (40 mg, 0.10 mmol).

11 Compound **11**, colorless needles; mp 196–197 °C (hexane-AcOEt); IR 1732, 1707, 1618 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 7.98 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 7.72 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 7.63 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 6.67 (s, 1H), 4.63–4.60 (m, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.67–2.64 (m, 2H), 2.38 (d, 1H, *J* = 9.2 Hz), 2.30 (d, 1H, *J* = 14.0 Hz), 2.00–1.90 (m, 2H), 1.74–1.59 (m, 3H), 1.33–1.18 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR δ 209.1, 171.1, 170.0, 169.4, 137.6, 134.4, 130.9, 129.5, 128.5, 59.5, 58.5, 55.5, 53.4, 53.3, 52.9, 43.0, 34.3, 33.0, 28.6, 25.2; MS *m/z* 432 (M⁺, 11).; Anal. Calcd for C₂₂H₂₄O₇S: C, 61.10; H, 5.59. Found: C, 61.02; H, 5.63.

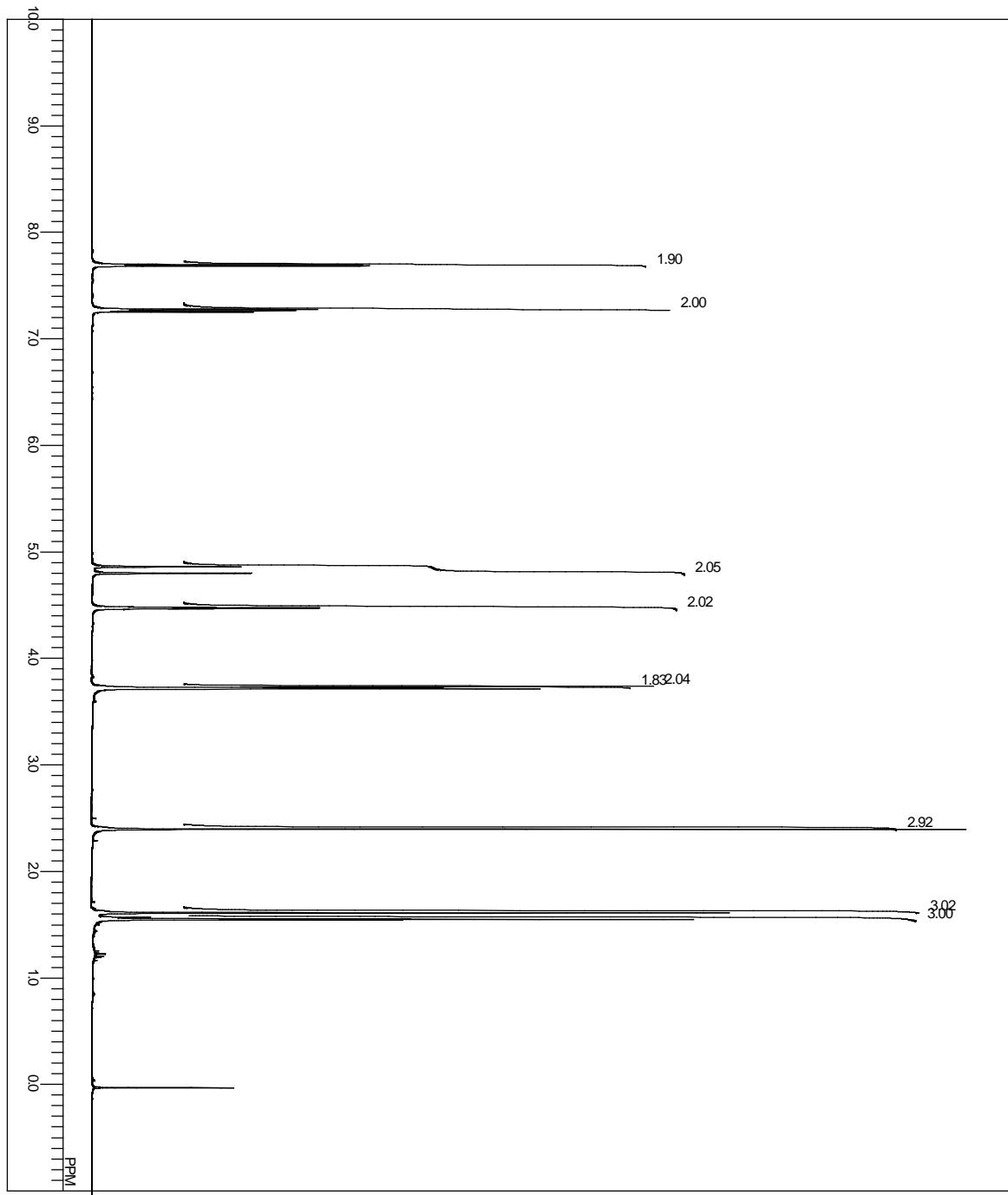
12 Compound **12**, yellow oil; IR 1734, 1628, 1225, 1157 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 8.02–8.00 (m, 2H), 7.62–7.59 (m, 1H), 7.56–7.54 (m, 2H), 5.86 (dt, 1H, *J* = 5.5, 2.1 Hz), 5.22 (dt, 1H, *J* = 5.5, 2.1 Hz), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.17 (dt, 1H, *J* = 17.8, 1.4 Hz), 2.83 (dd, 1H, *J* = 17.8, 2.1 Hz), 2.50–2.42 (m, 1H), 2.38–2.31 (m, 1H), 2.22 (d, 2H, *J* = 5.5 Hz), 1.88 (t, 3H, *J* = 1.4 Hz), 1.82–1.76 (m, 1H), 1.64–1.58 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR δ 171.2, 170.9, 151.4, 141.8, 136.0, 133.1, 132.9, 131.6, 128.9, 127.1, 55.4, 52.7, 52.5, 51.7, 39.7, 34.9, 32.7, 32.1, 15.8; MS *m/z* 404 (M⁺, 10.4); HRMS calcd for C₂₁H₂₄O₆S 404.1294, found 404.1298.



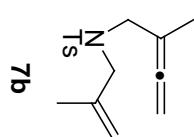


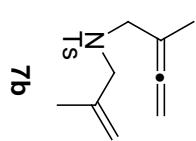
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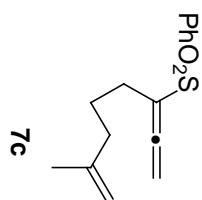
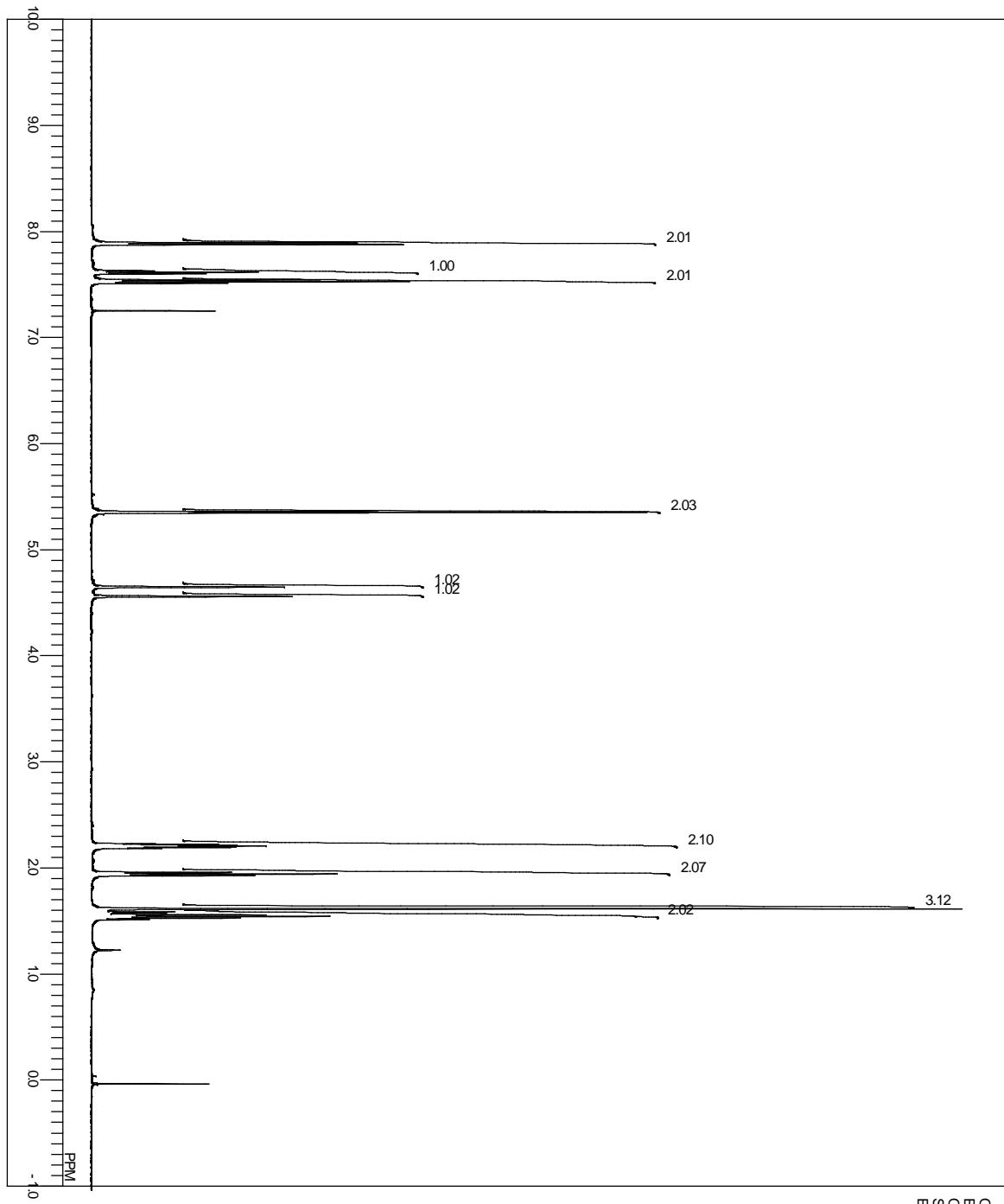


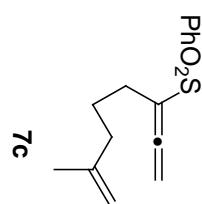
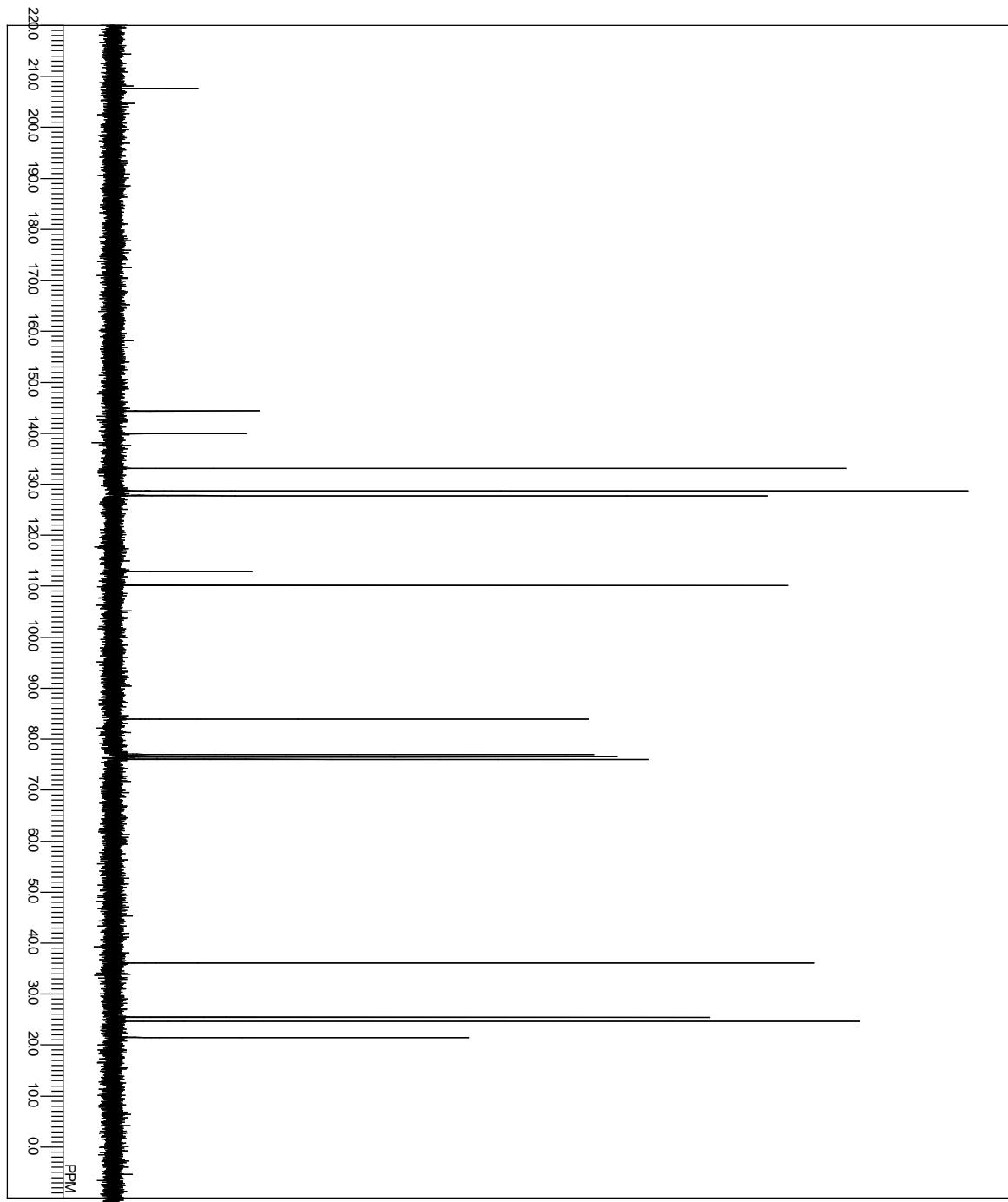
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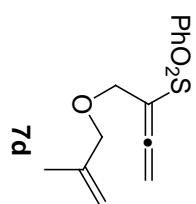
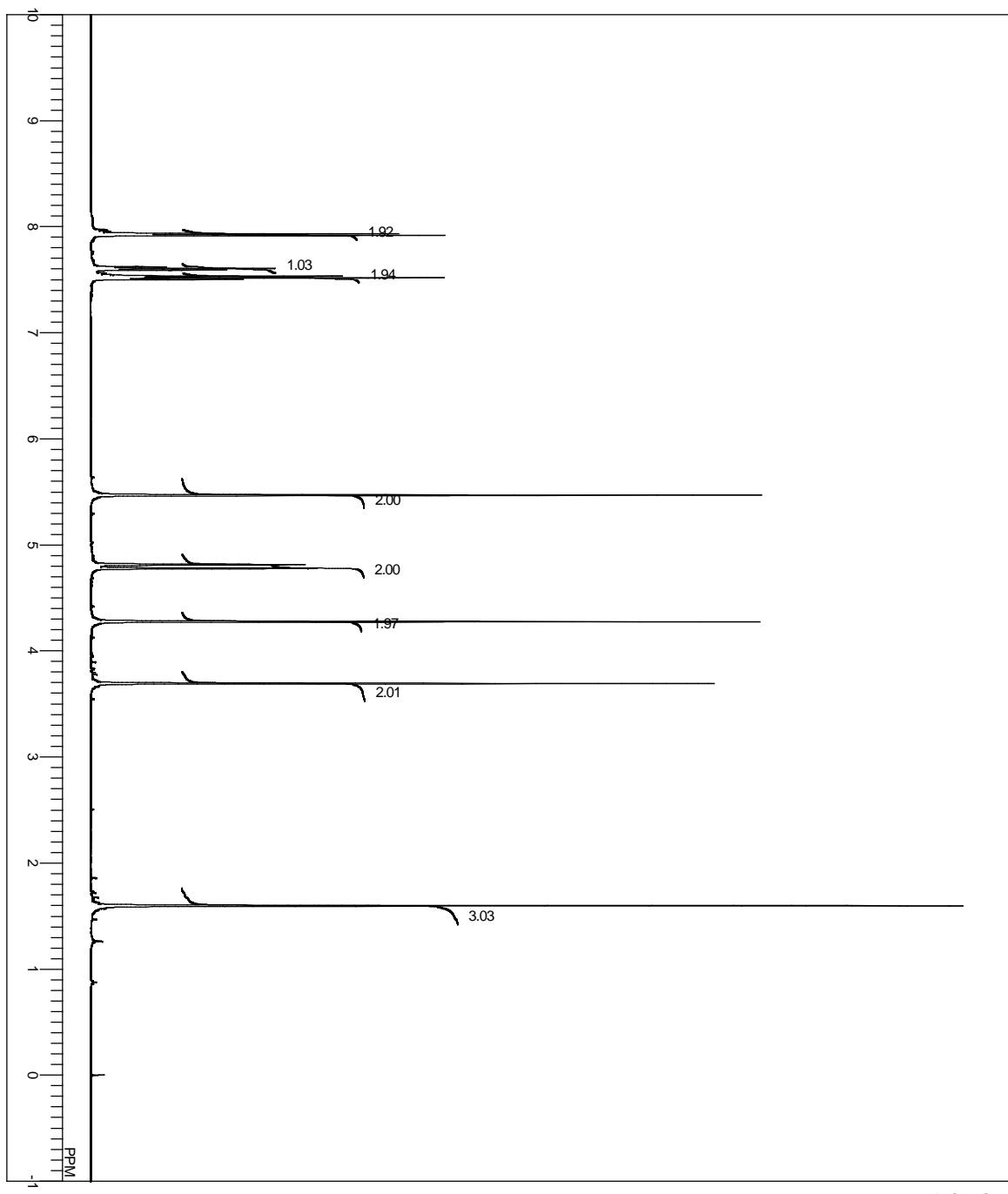


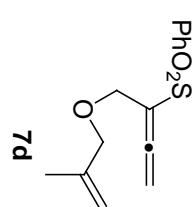
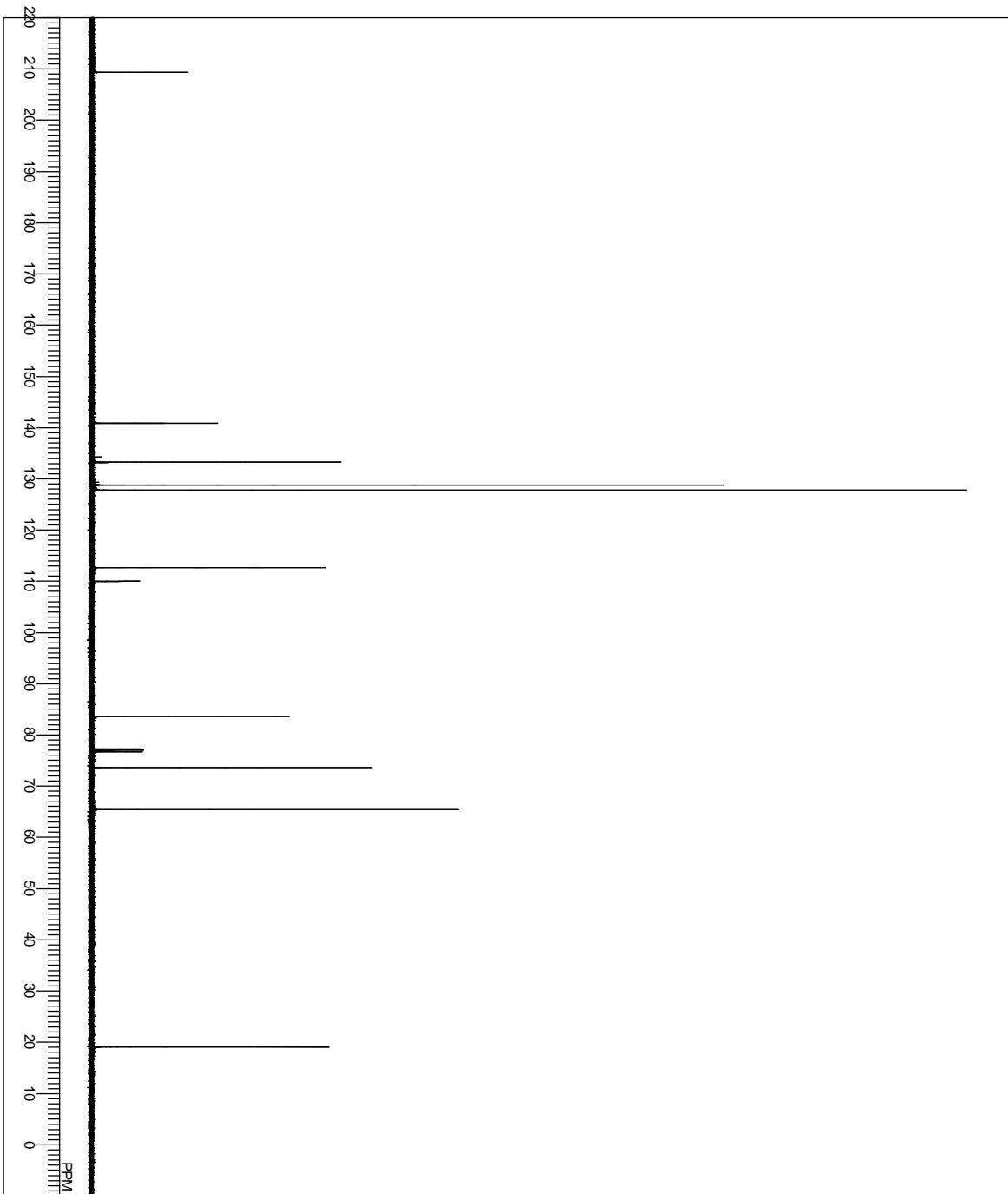


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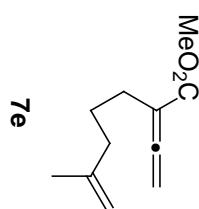
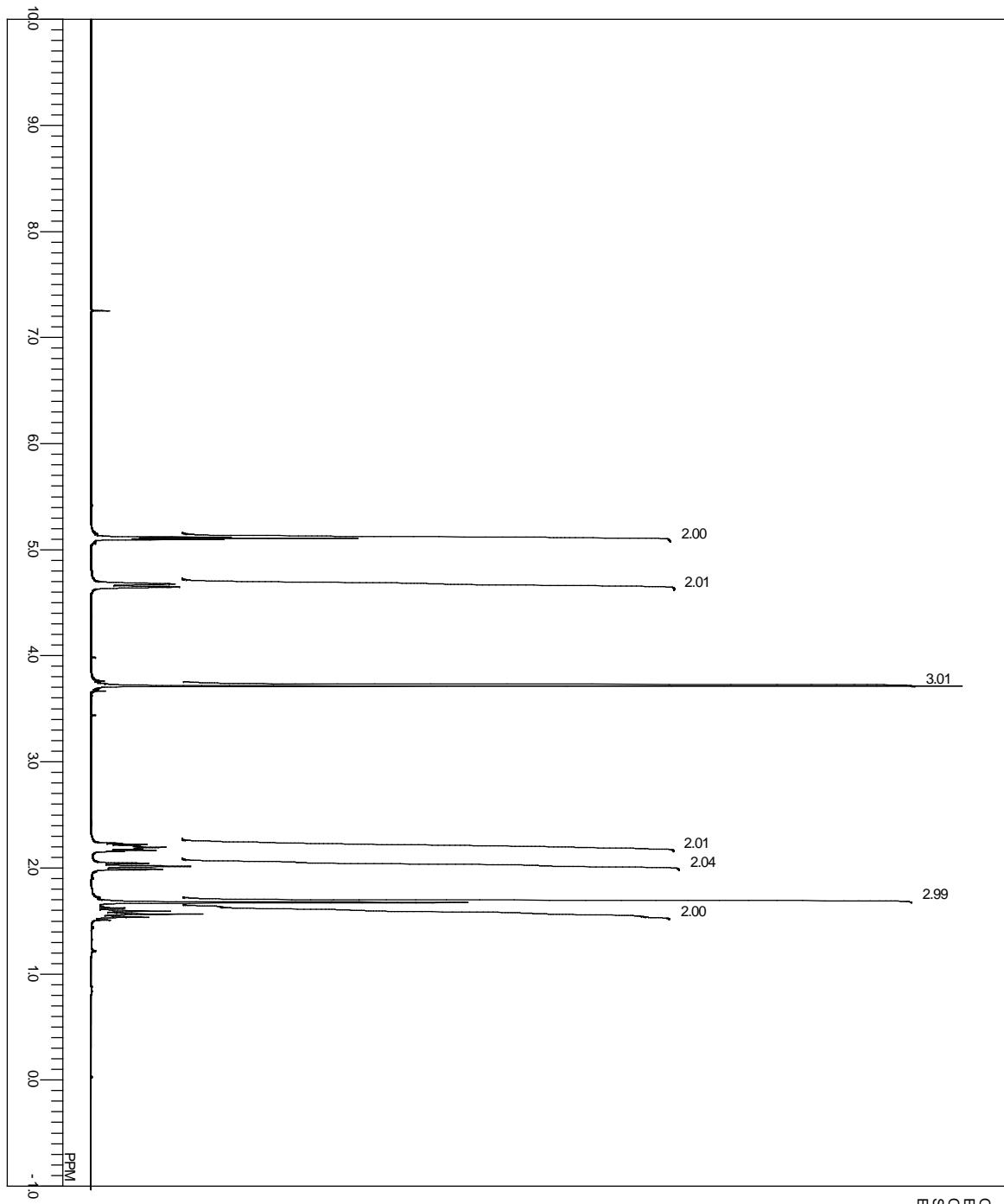


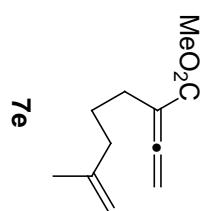
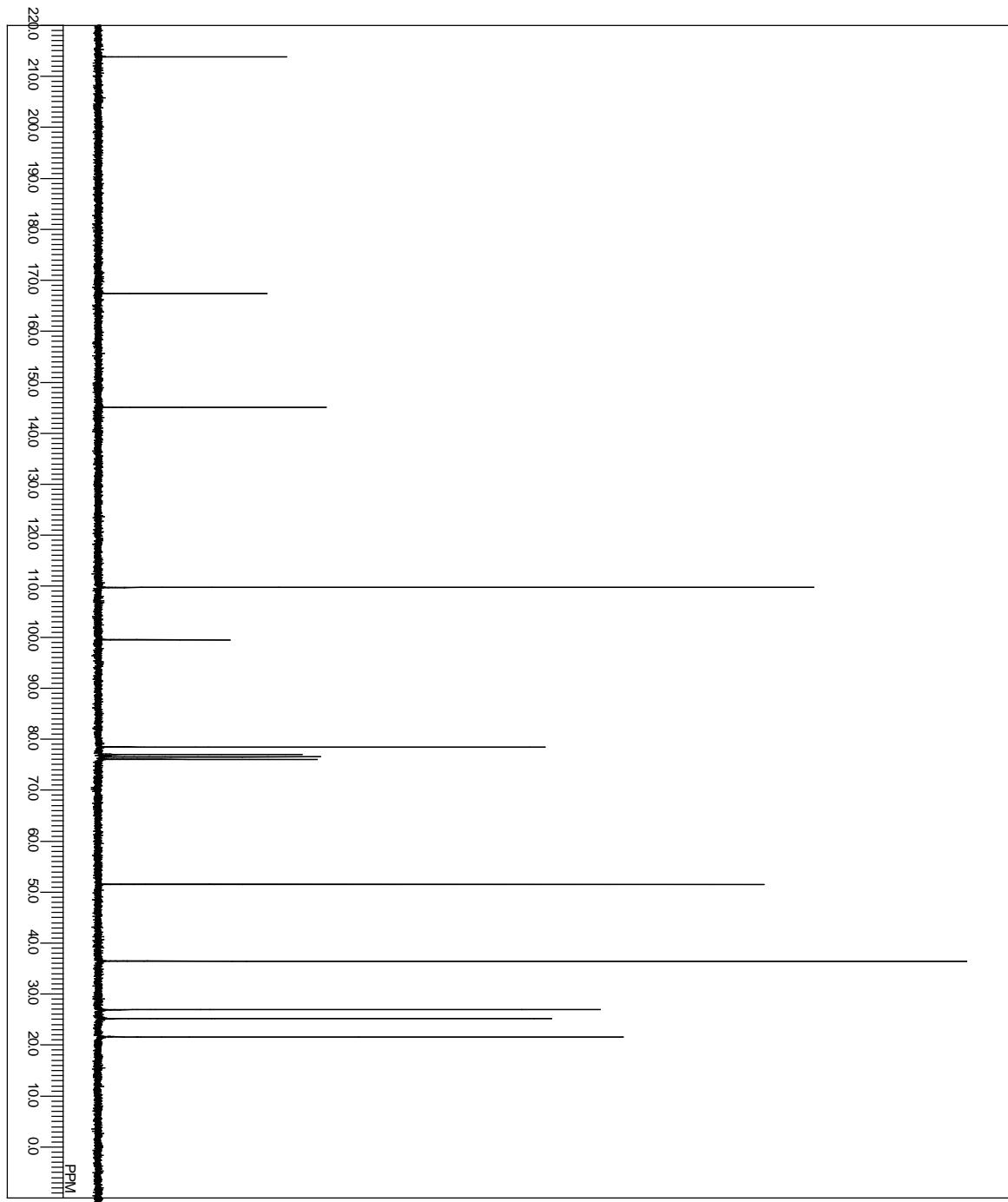


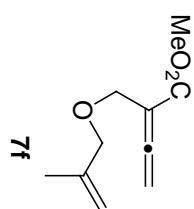
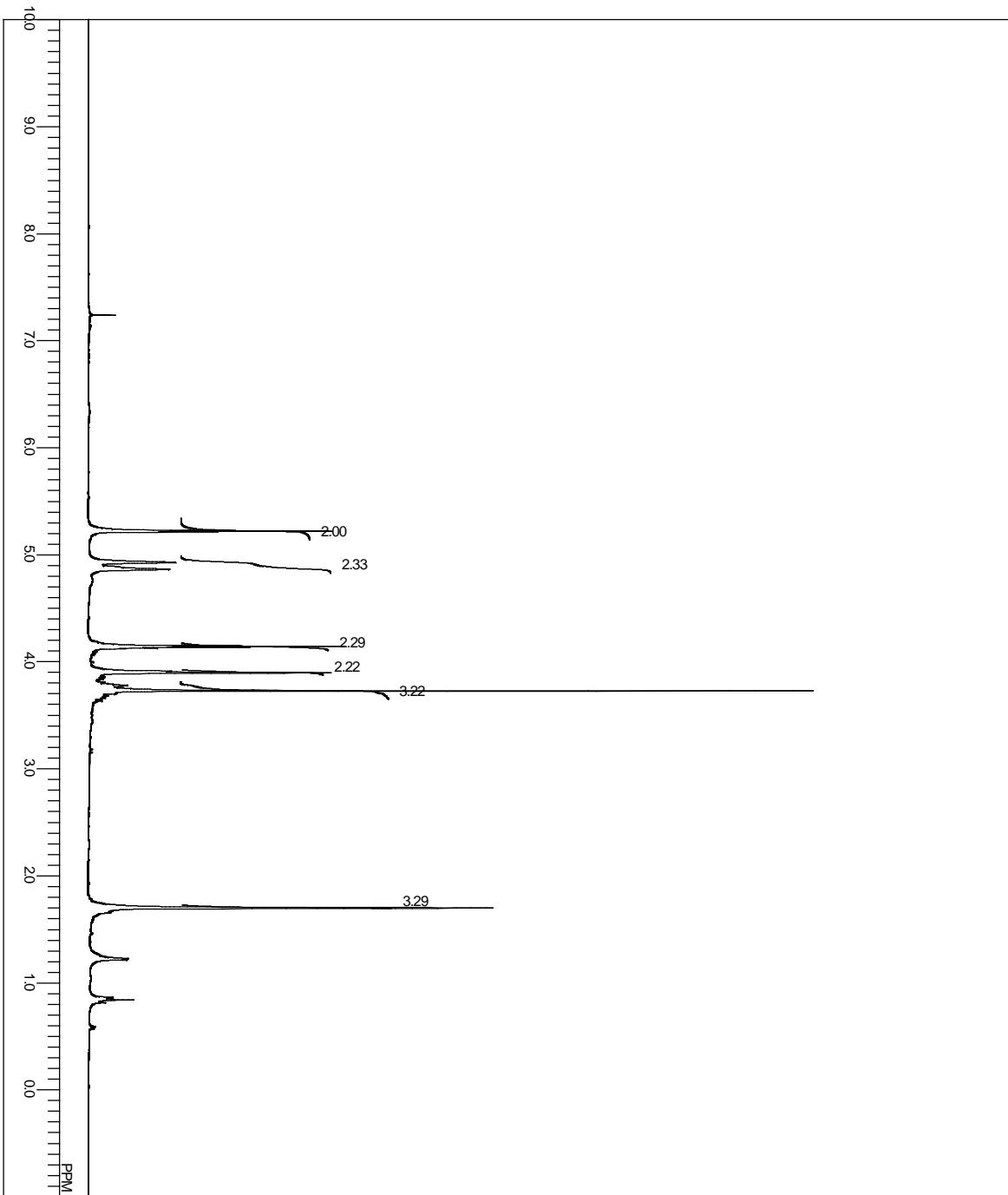




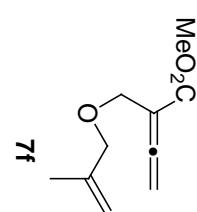
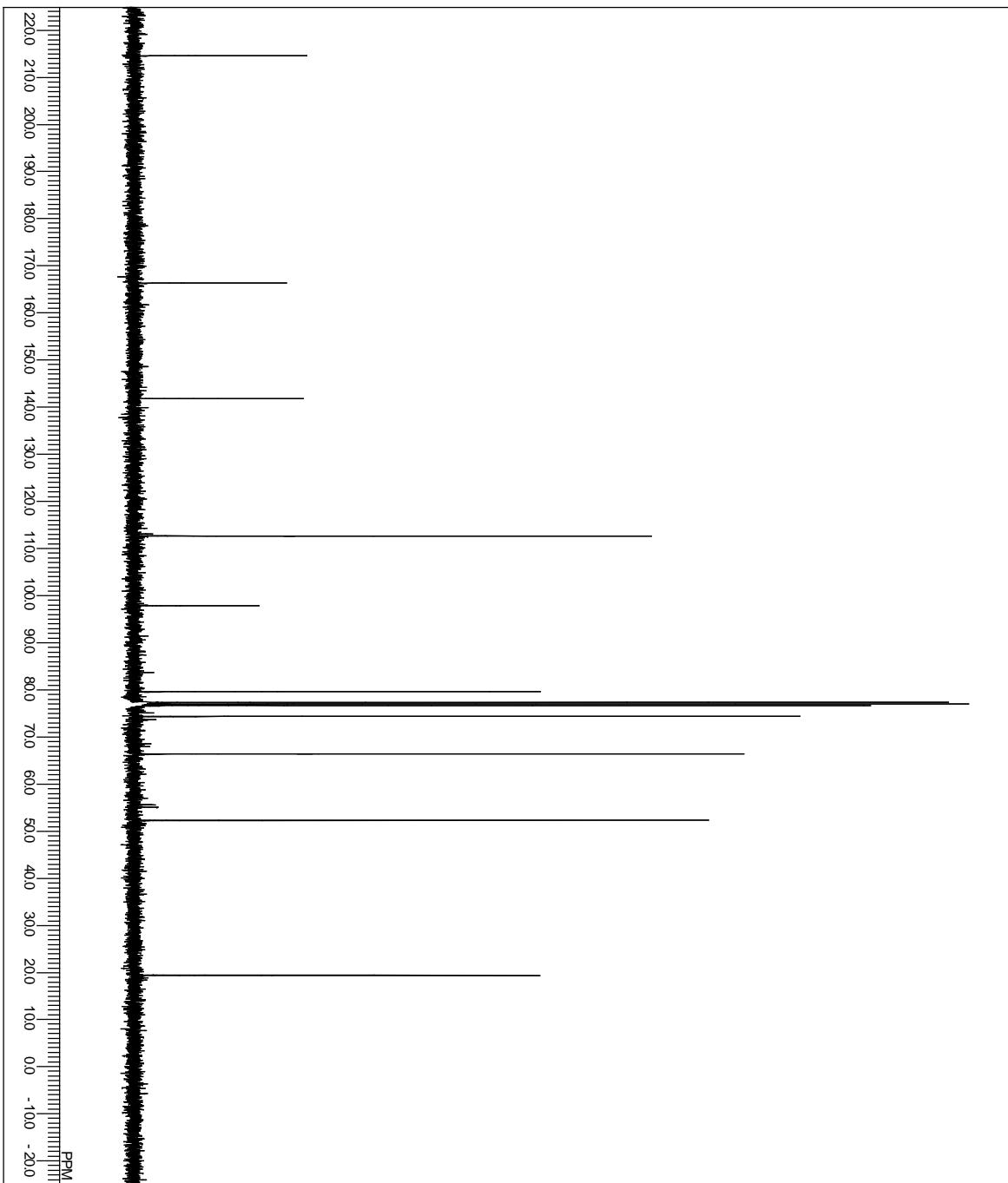
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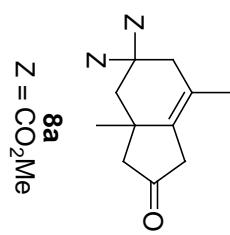
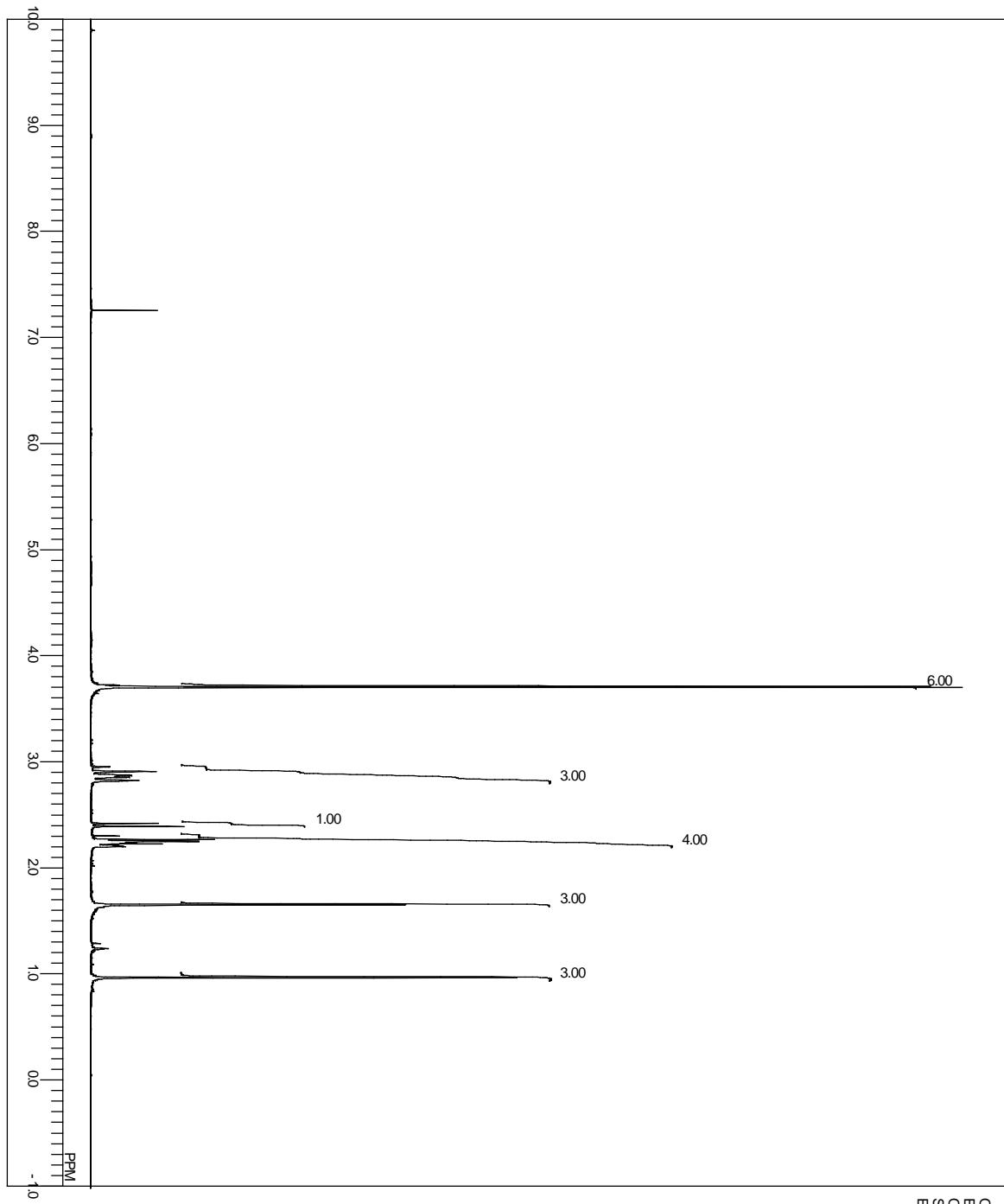


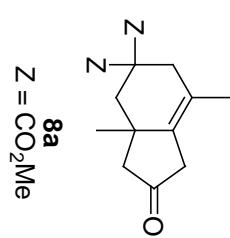
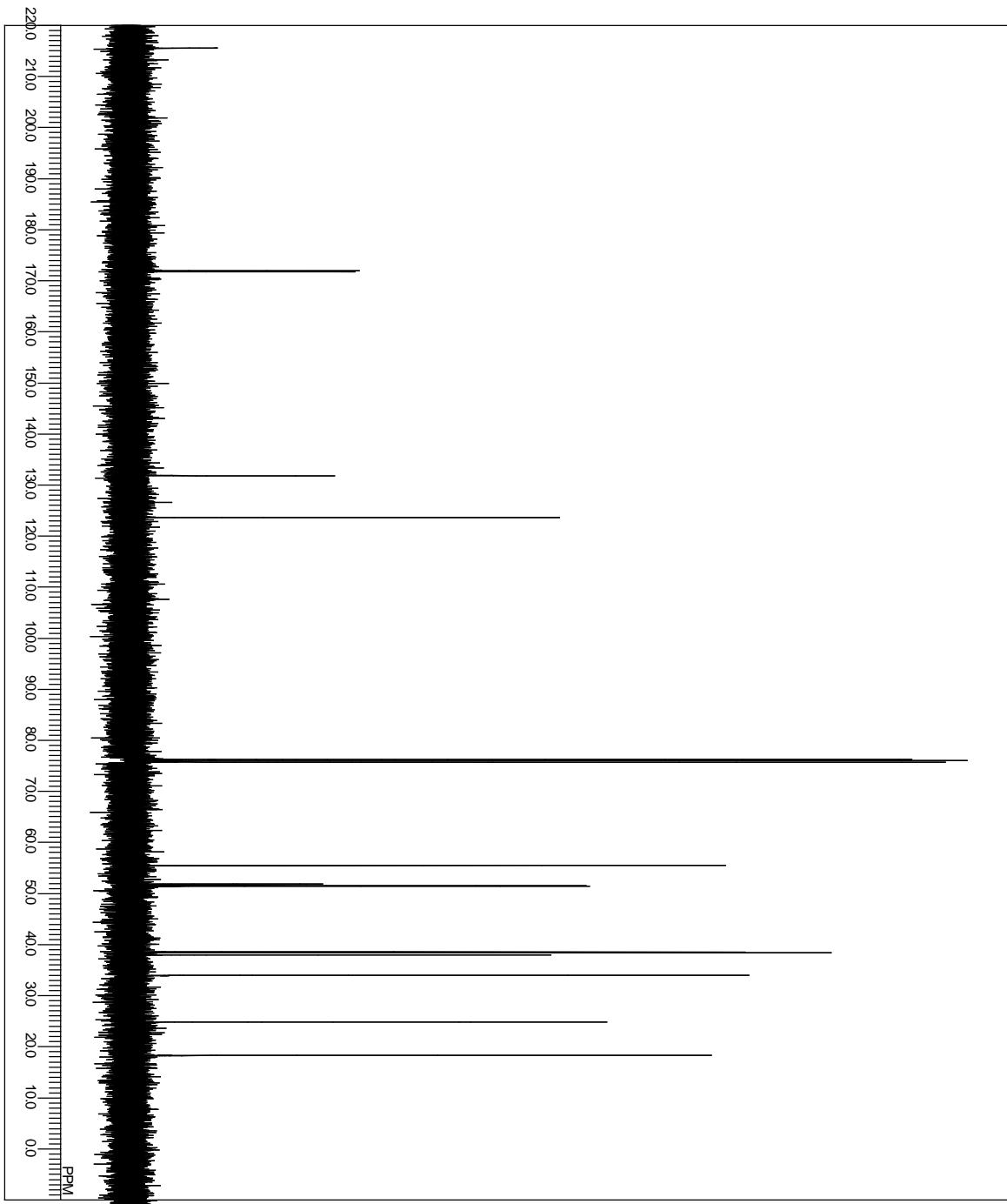


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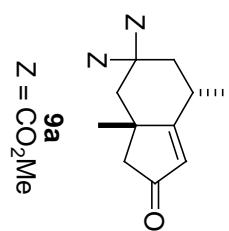
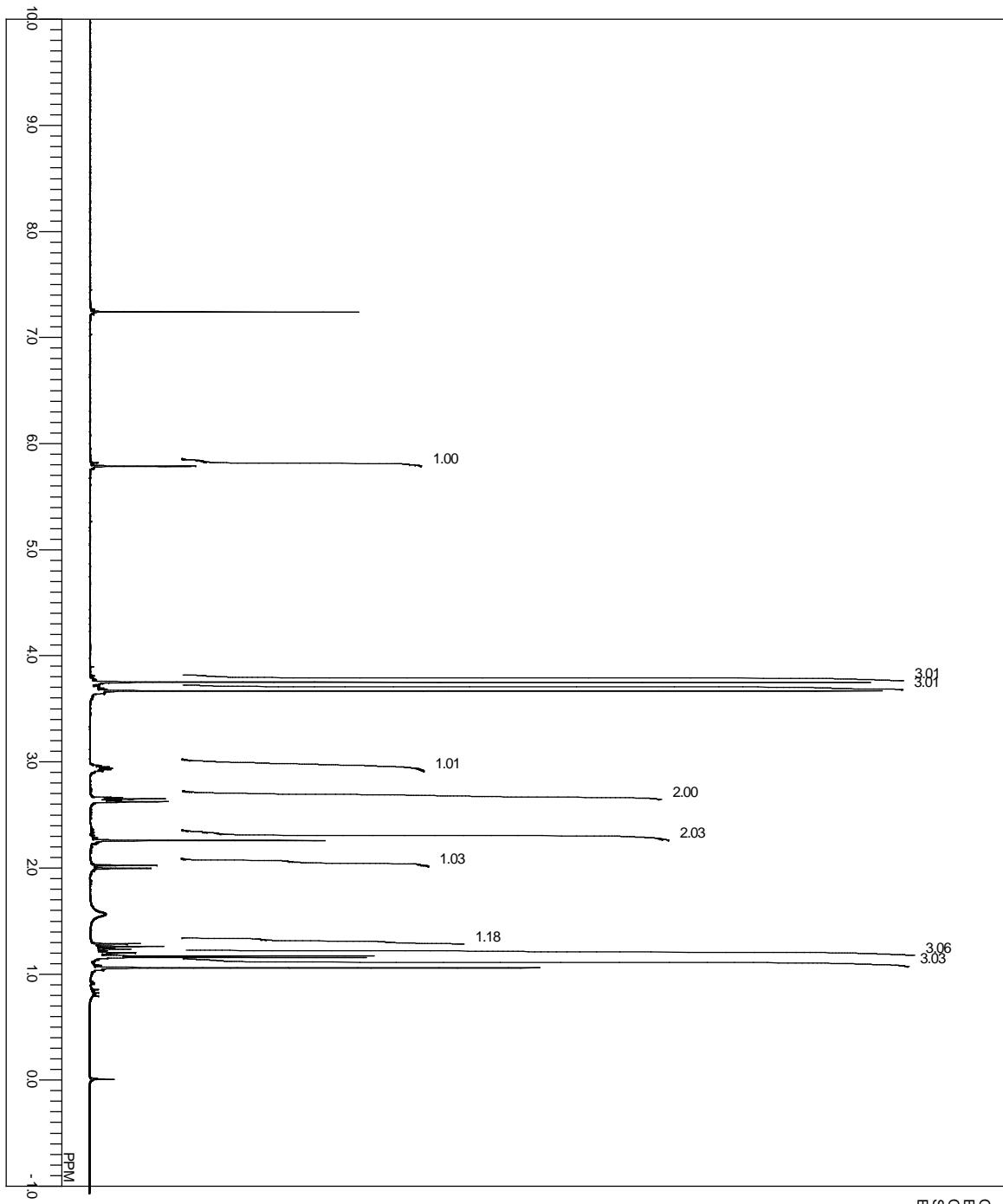


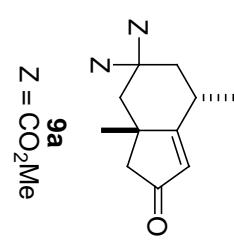
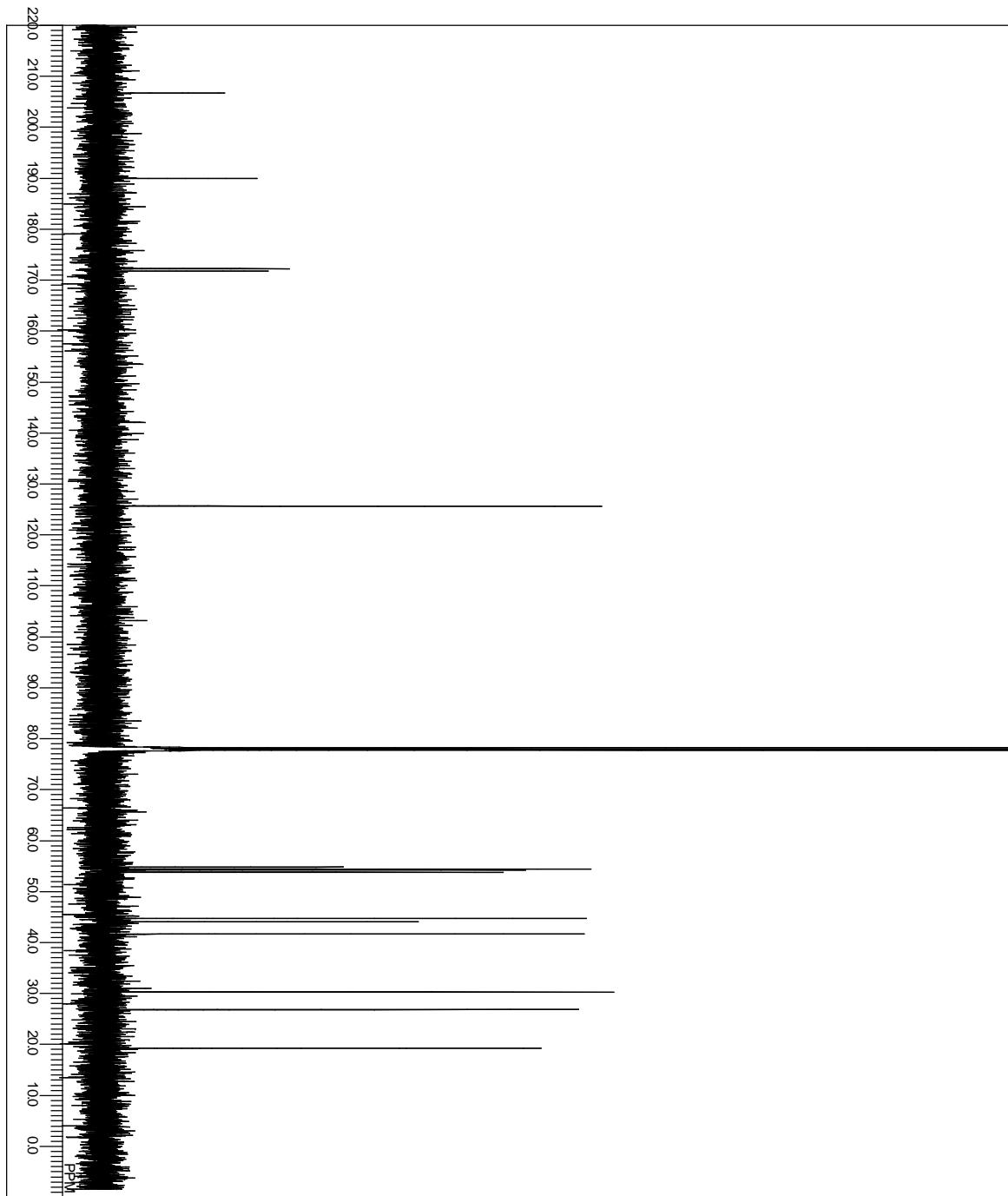
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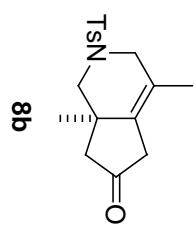
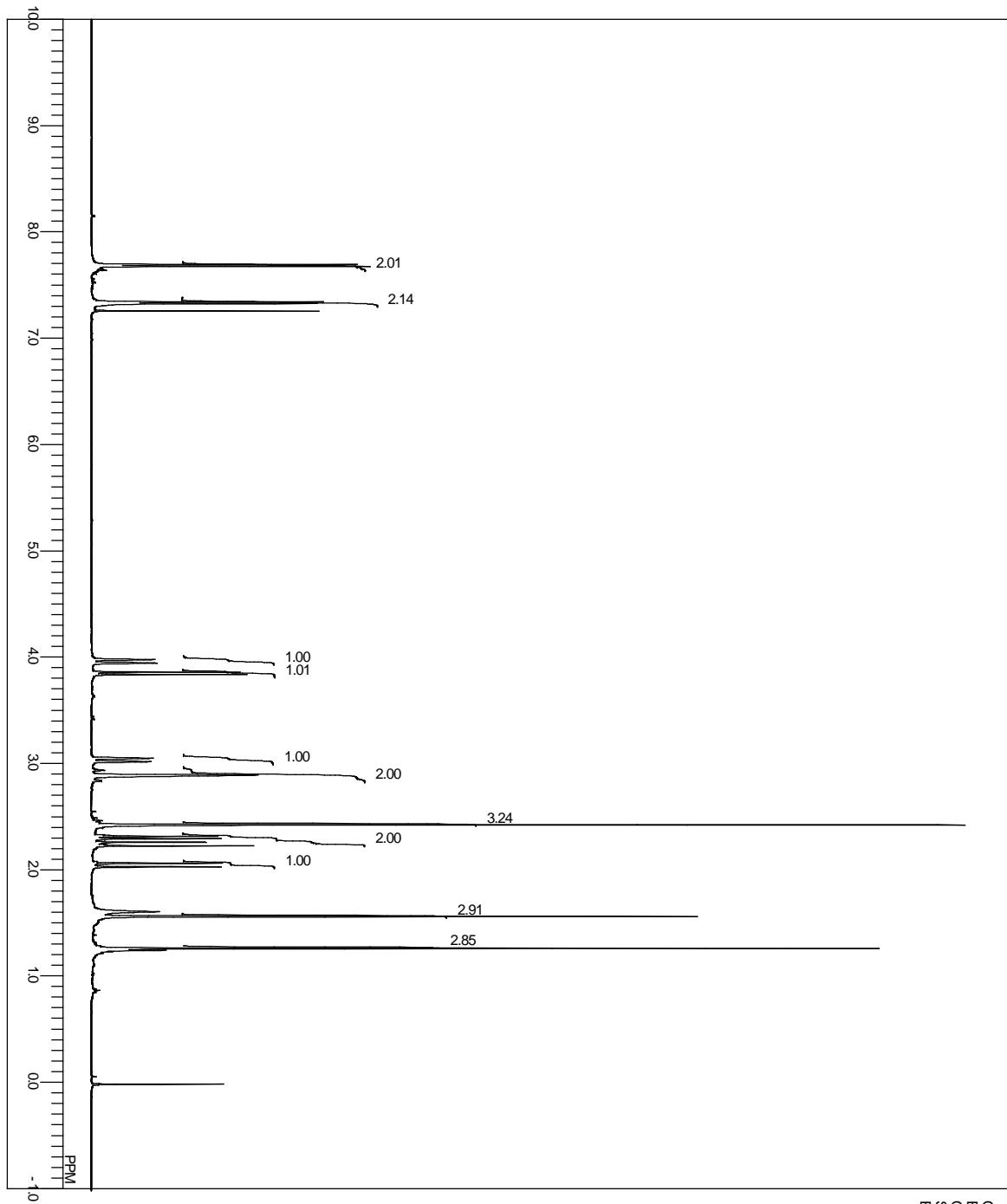




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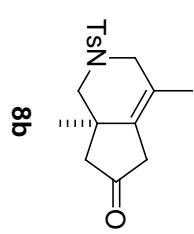
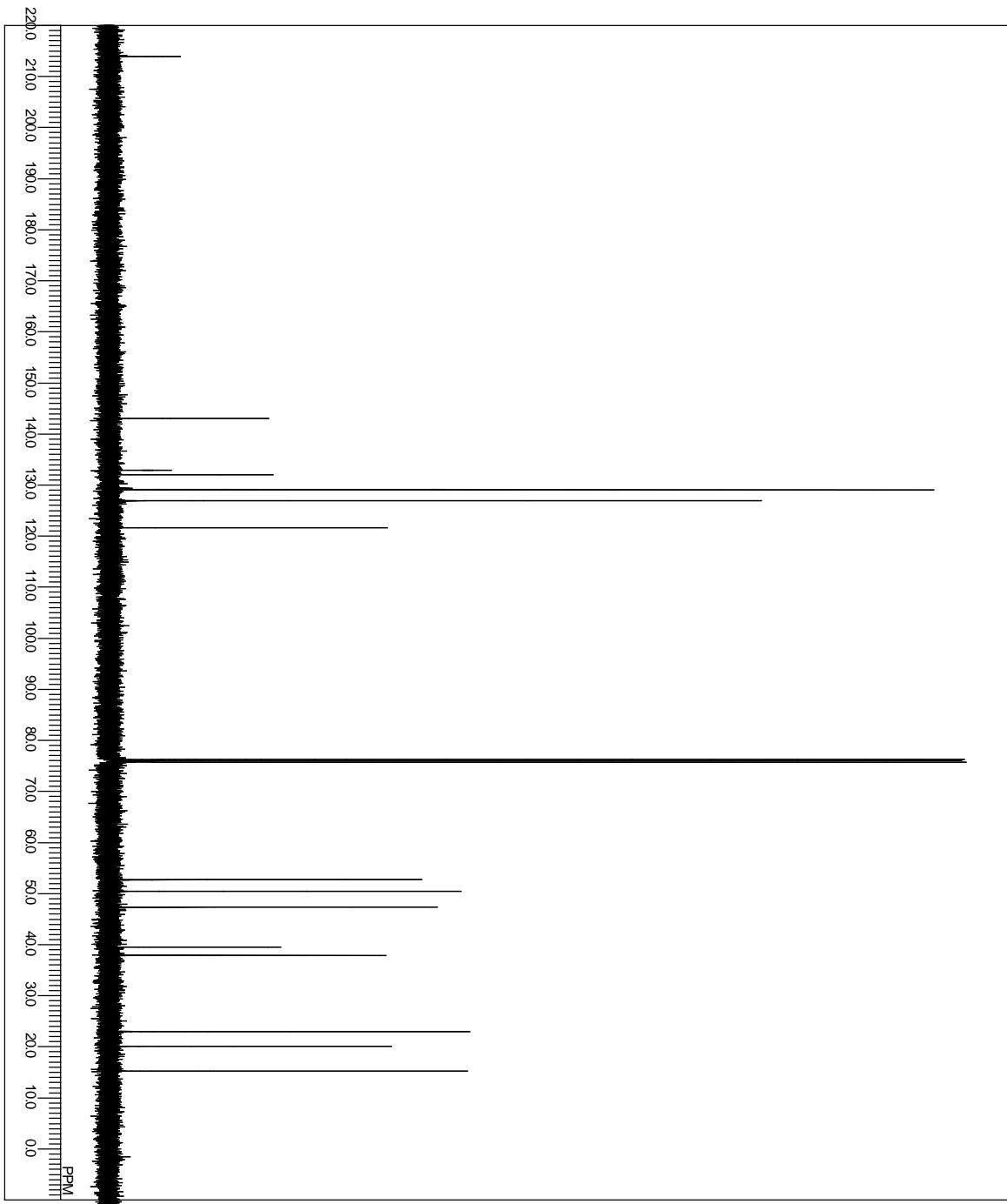




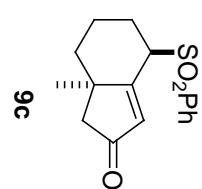
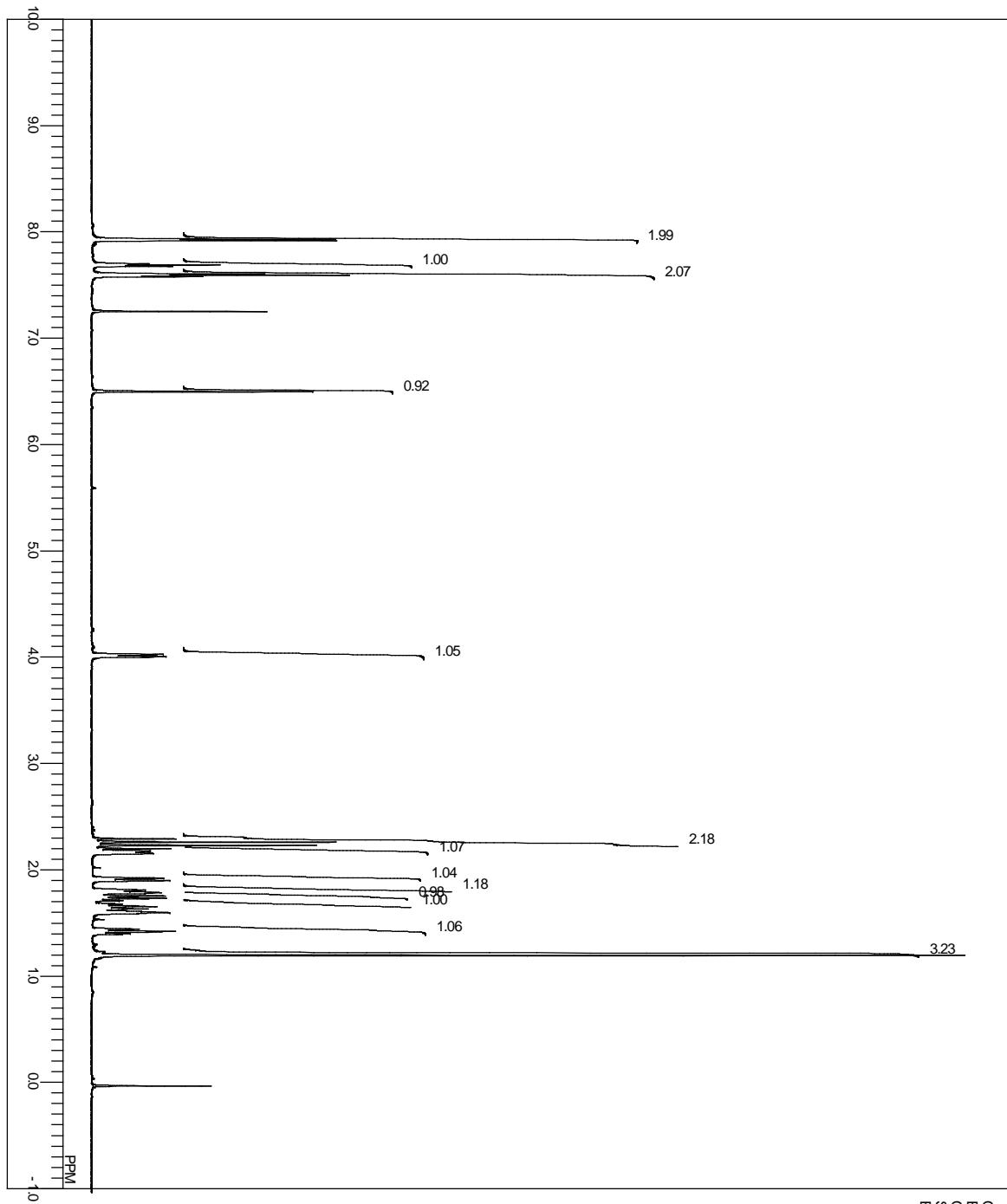


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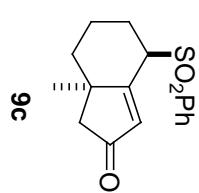
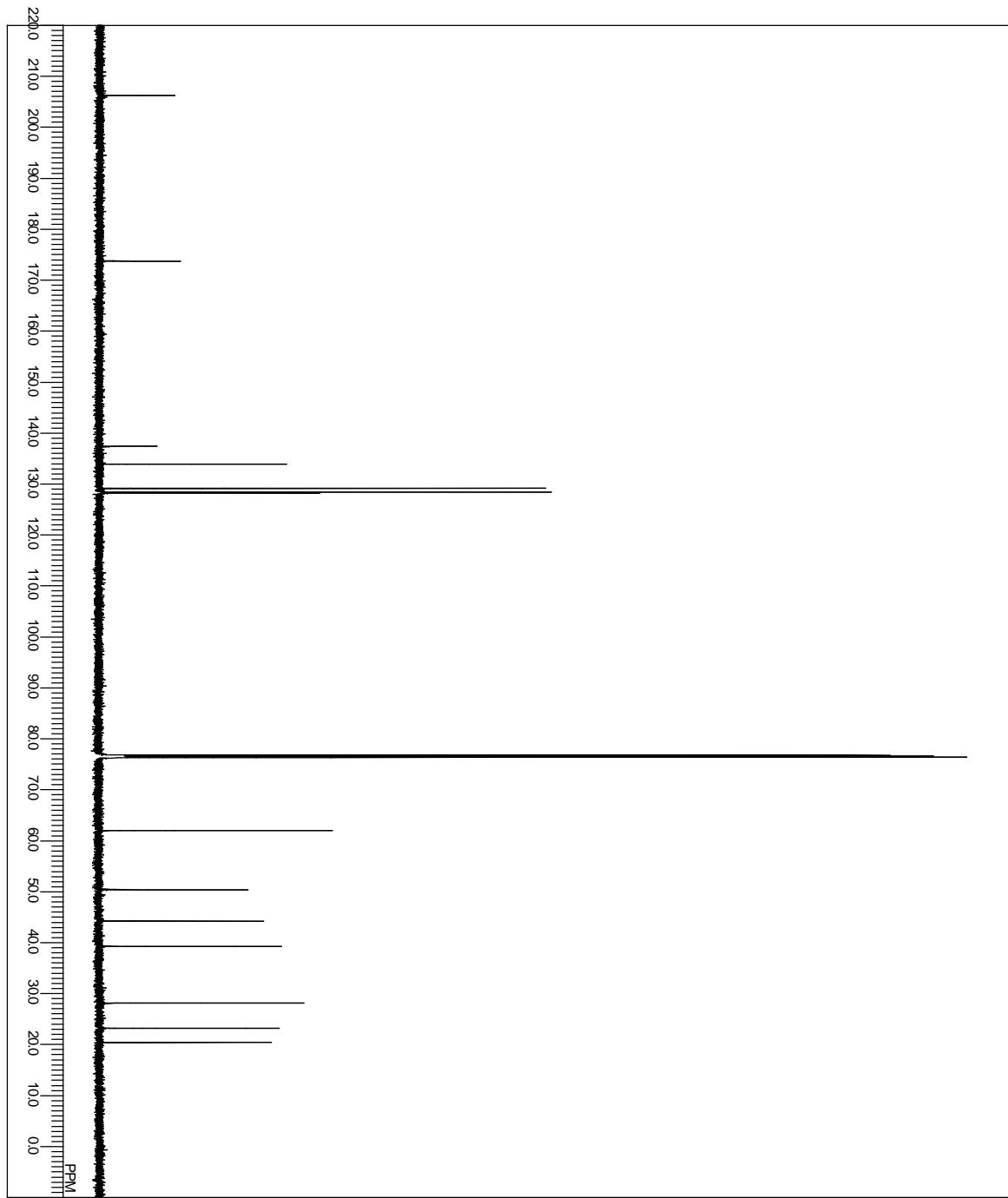


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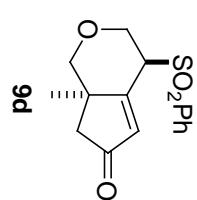
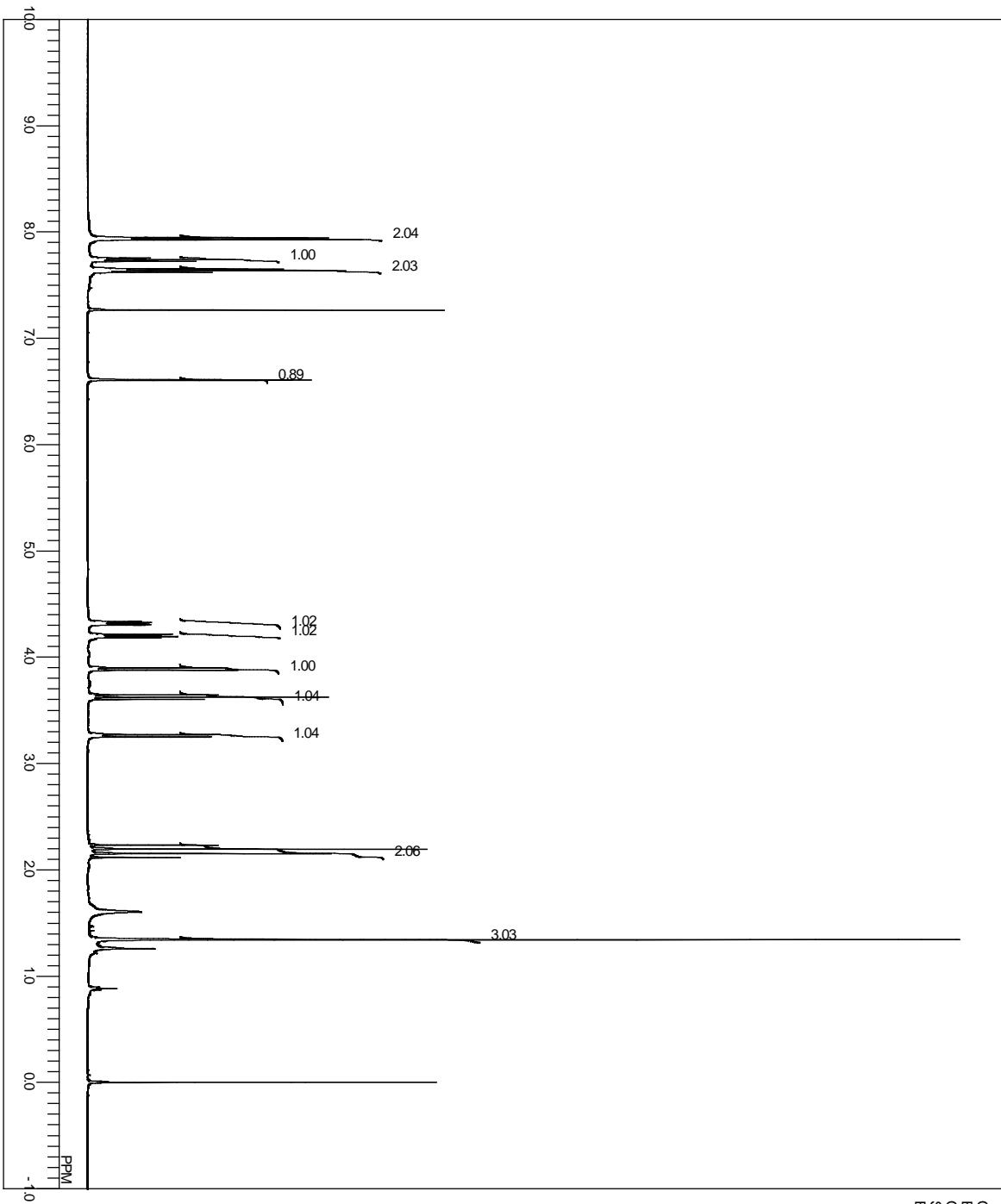


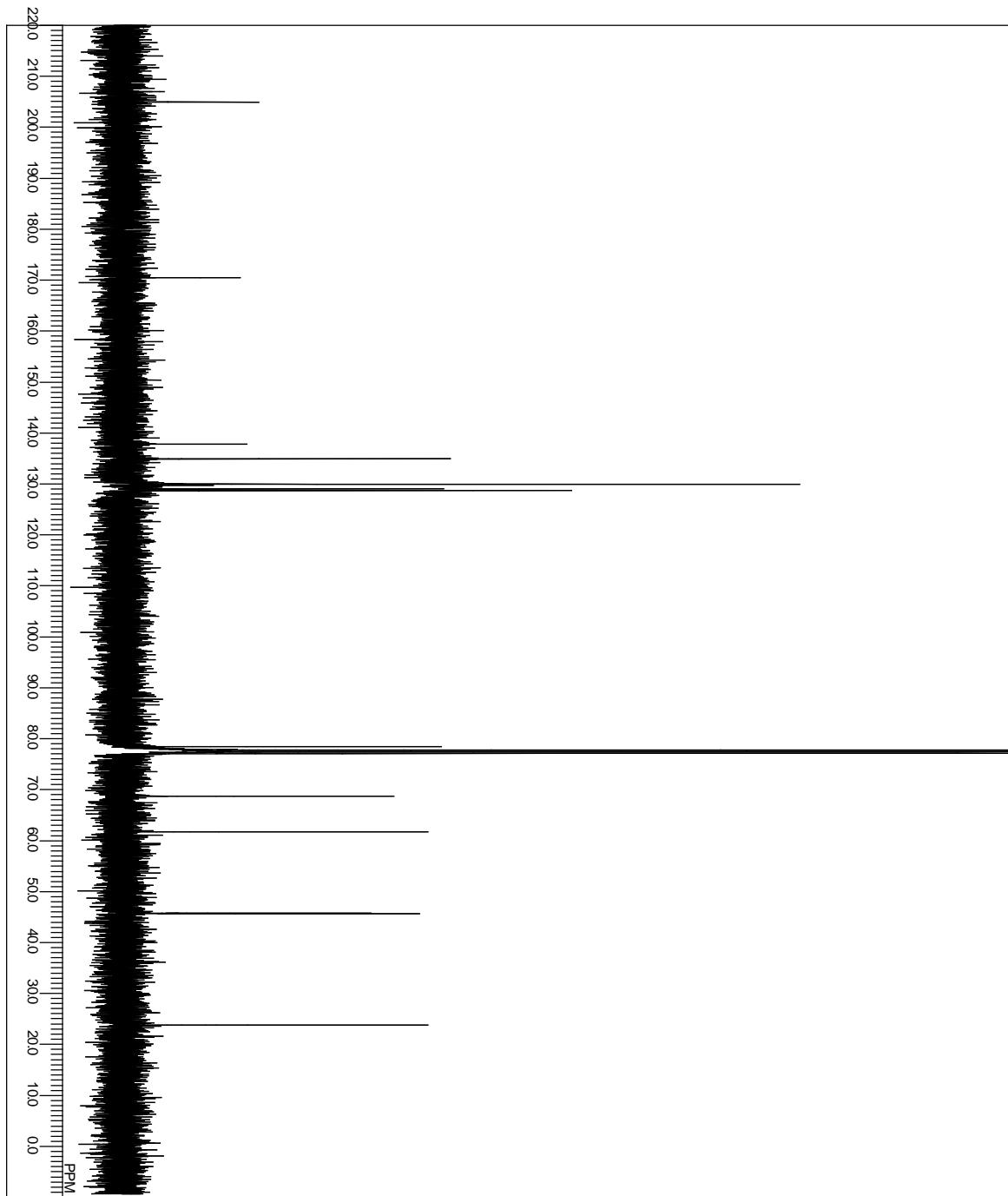
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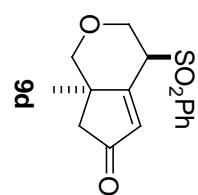
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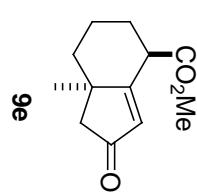
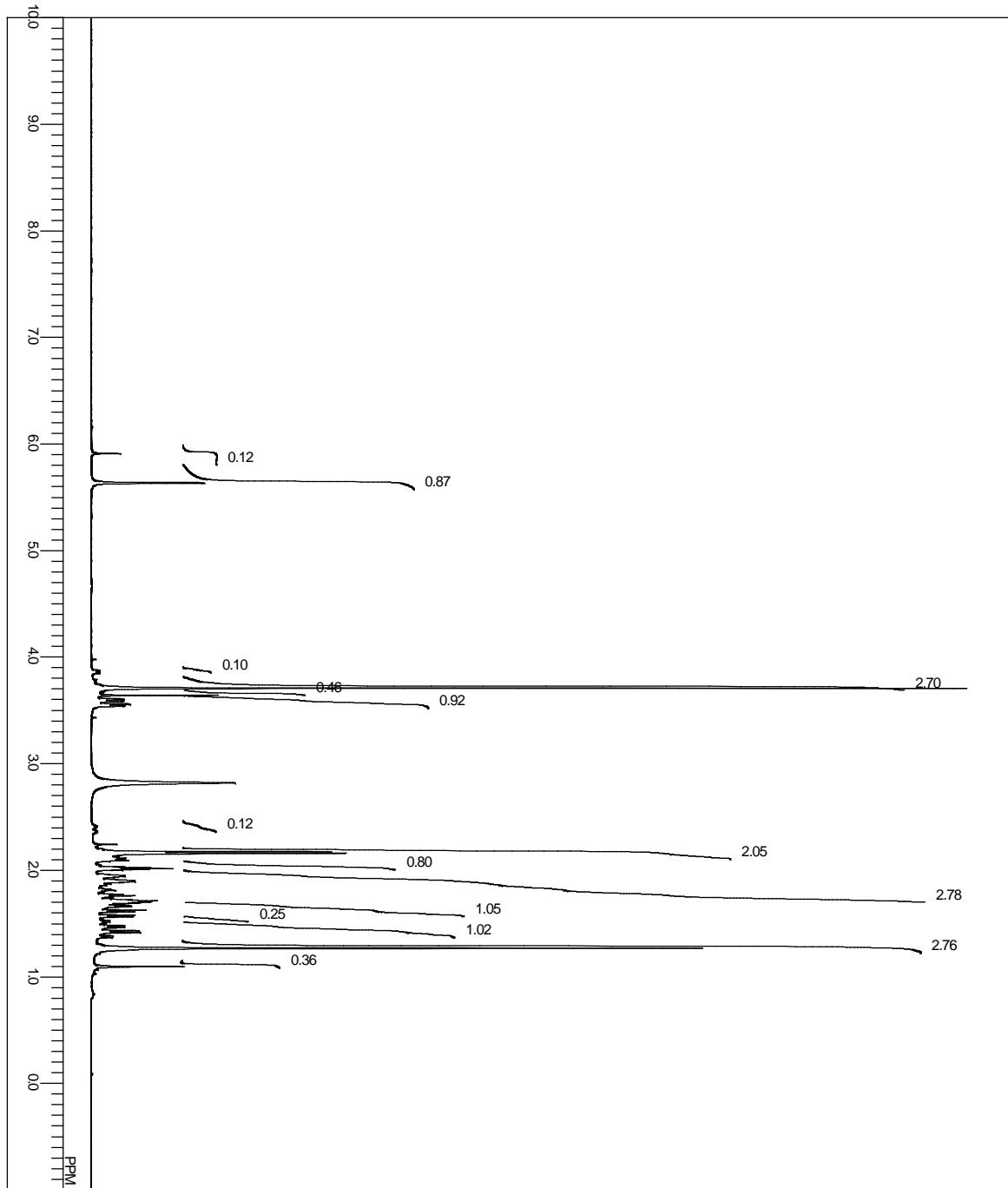


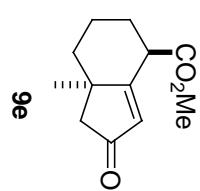


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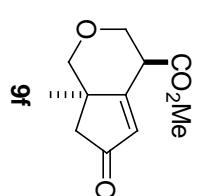
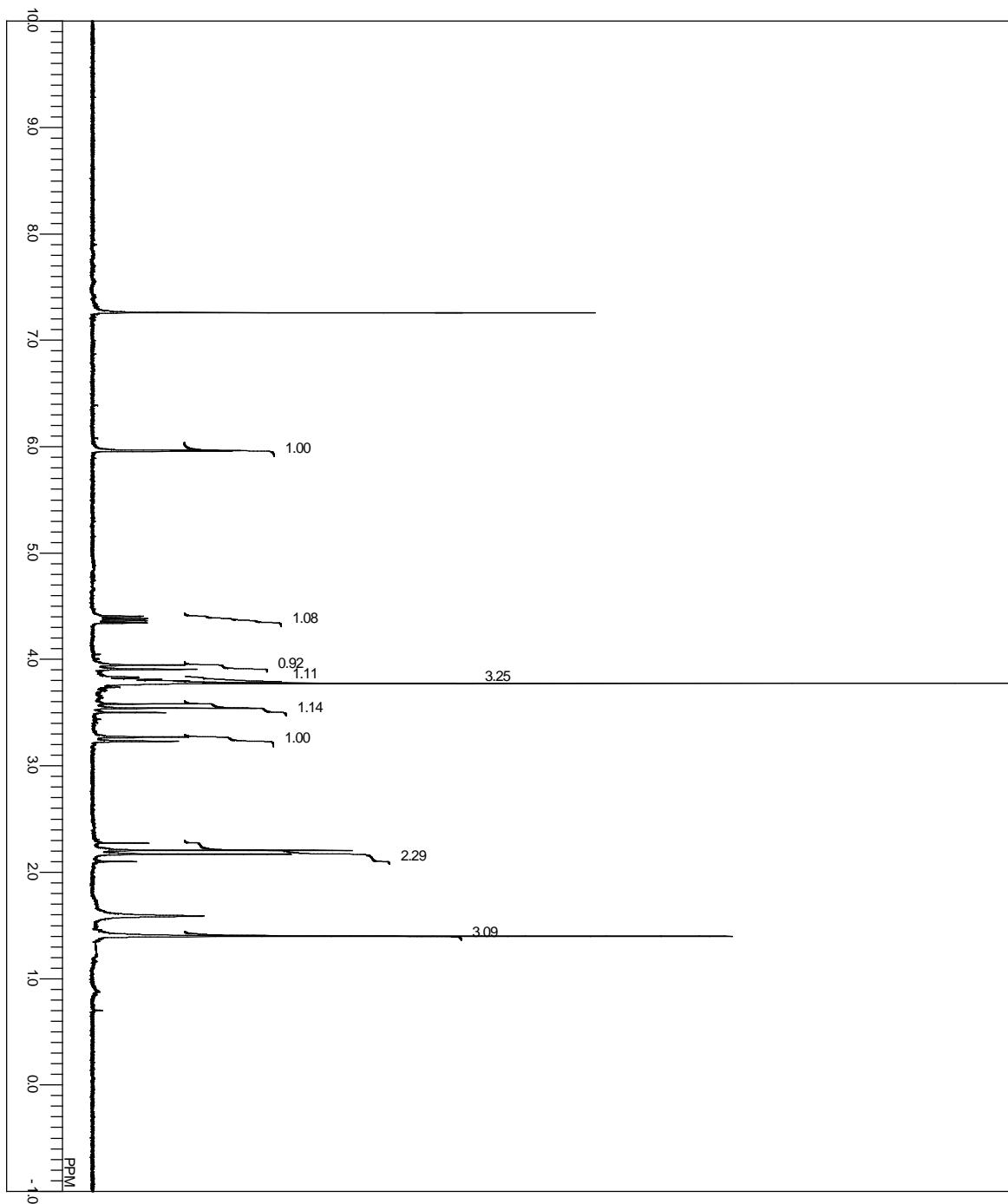
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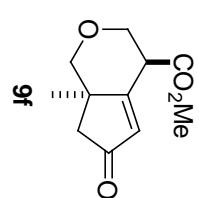
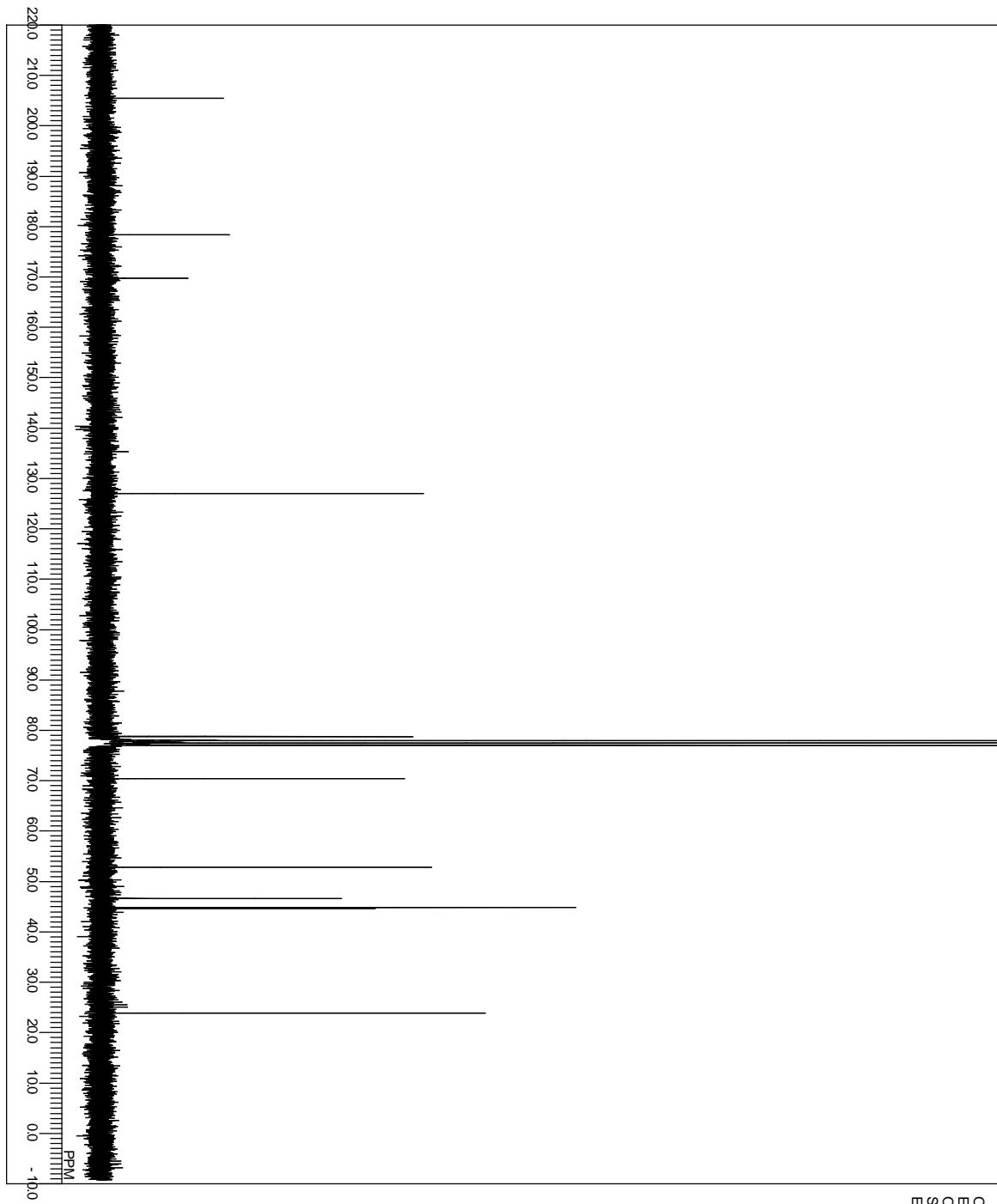




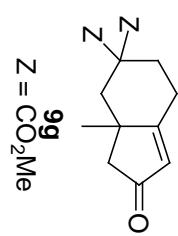
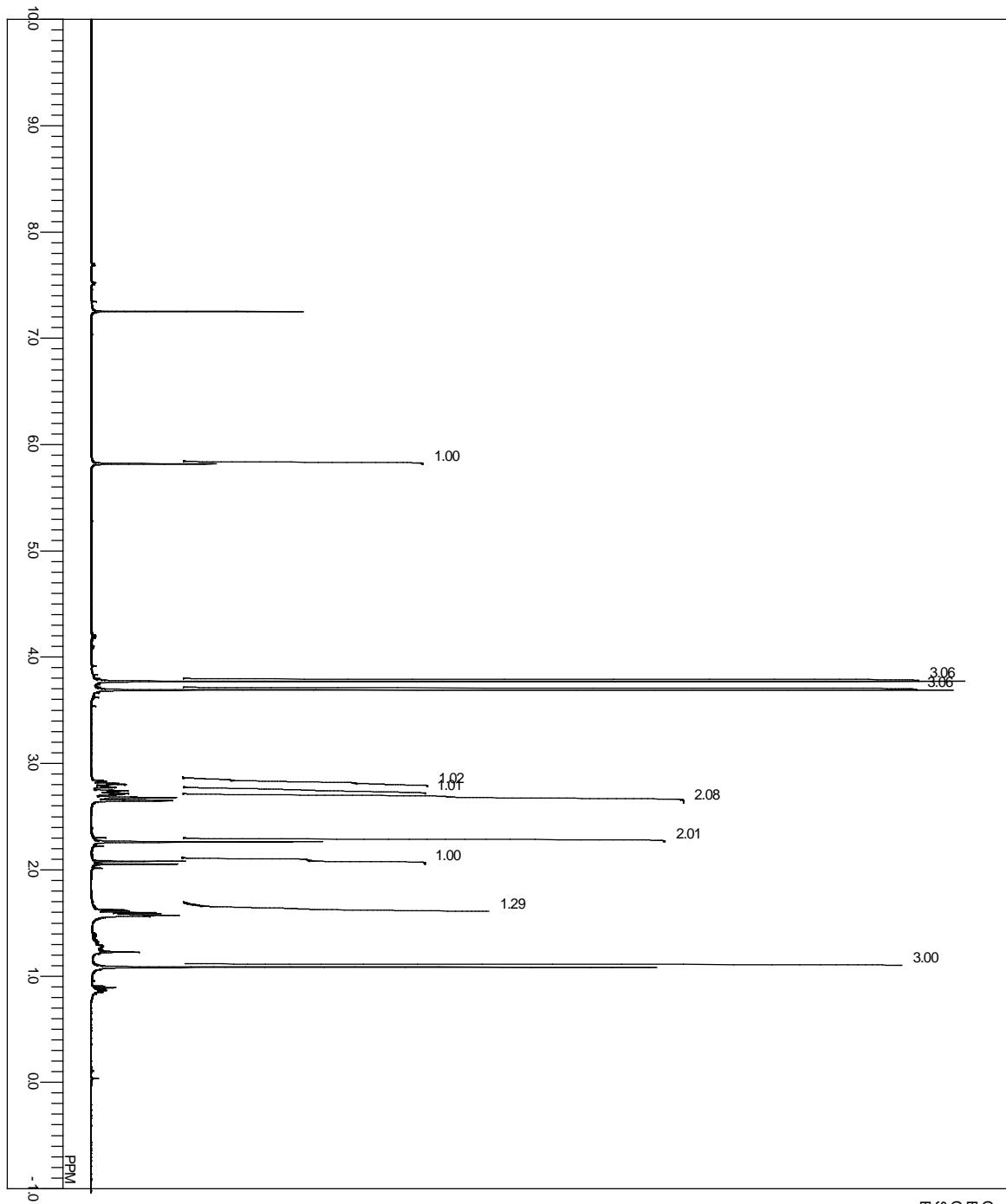
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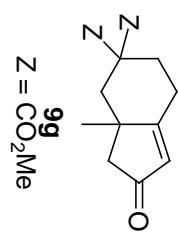
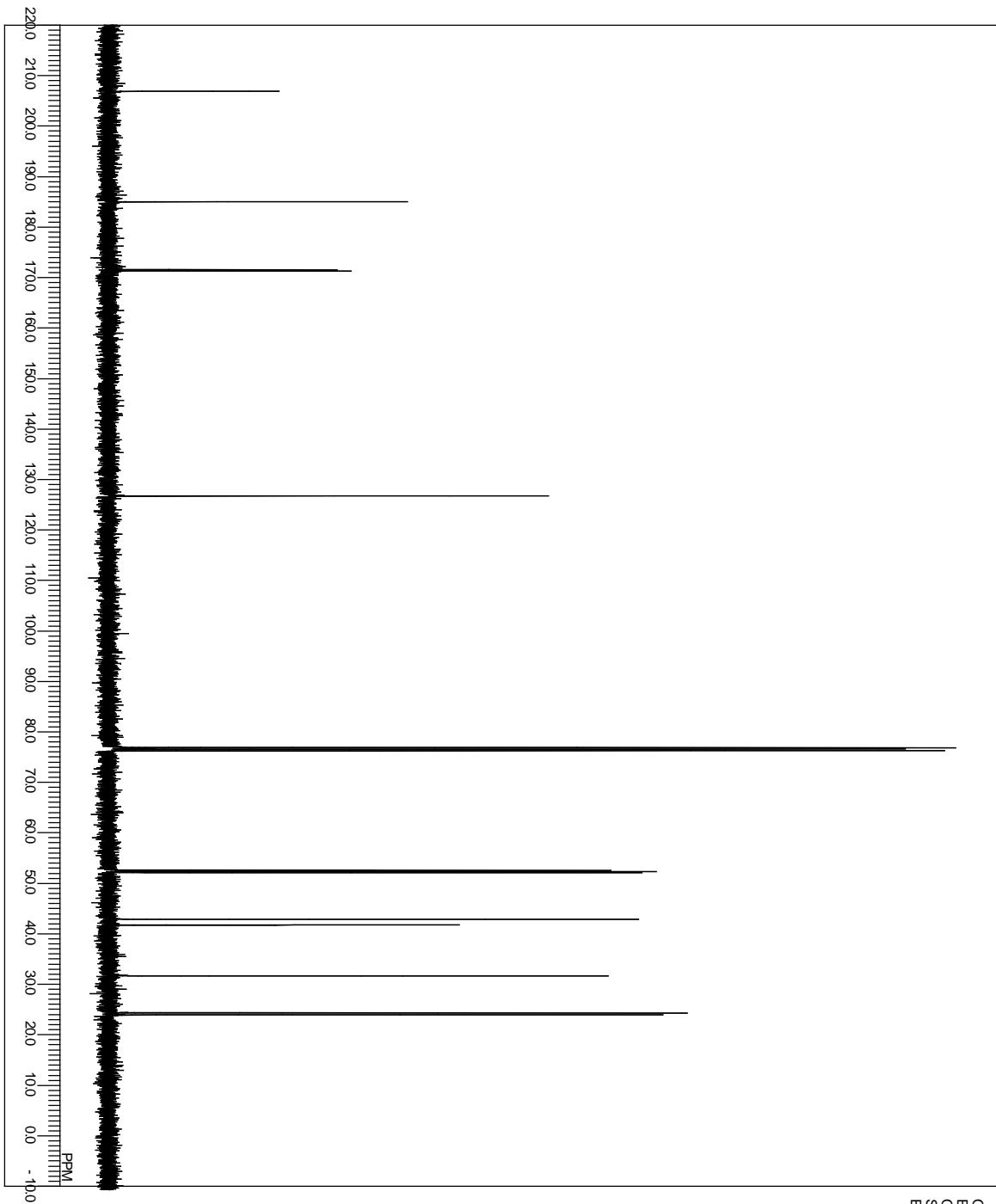


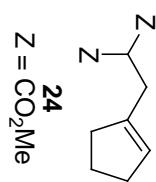
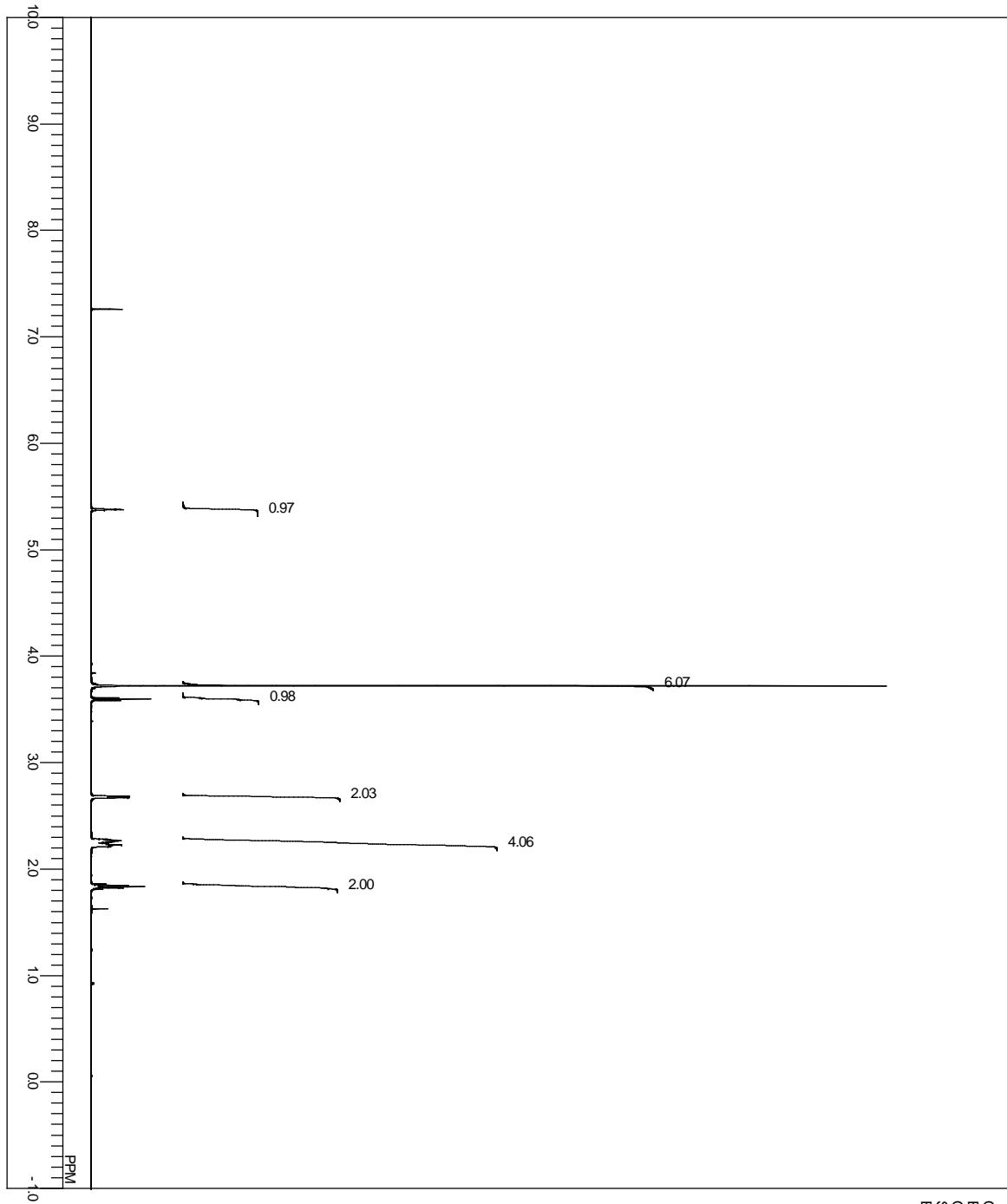
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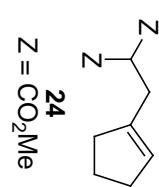
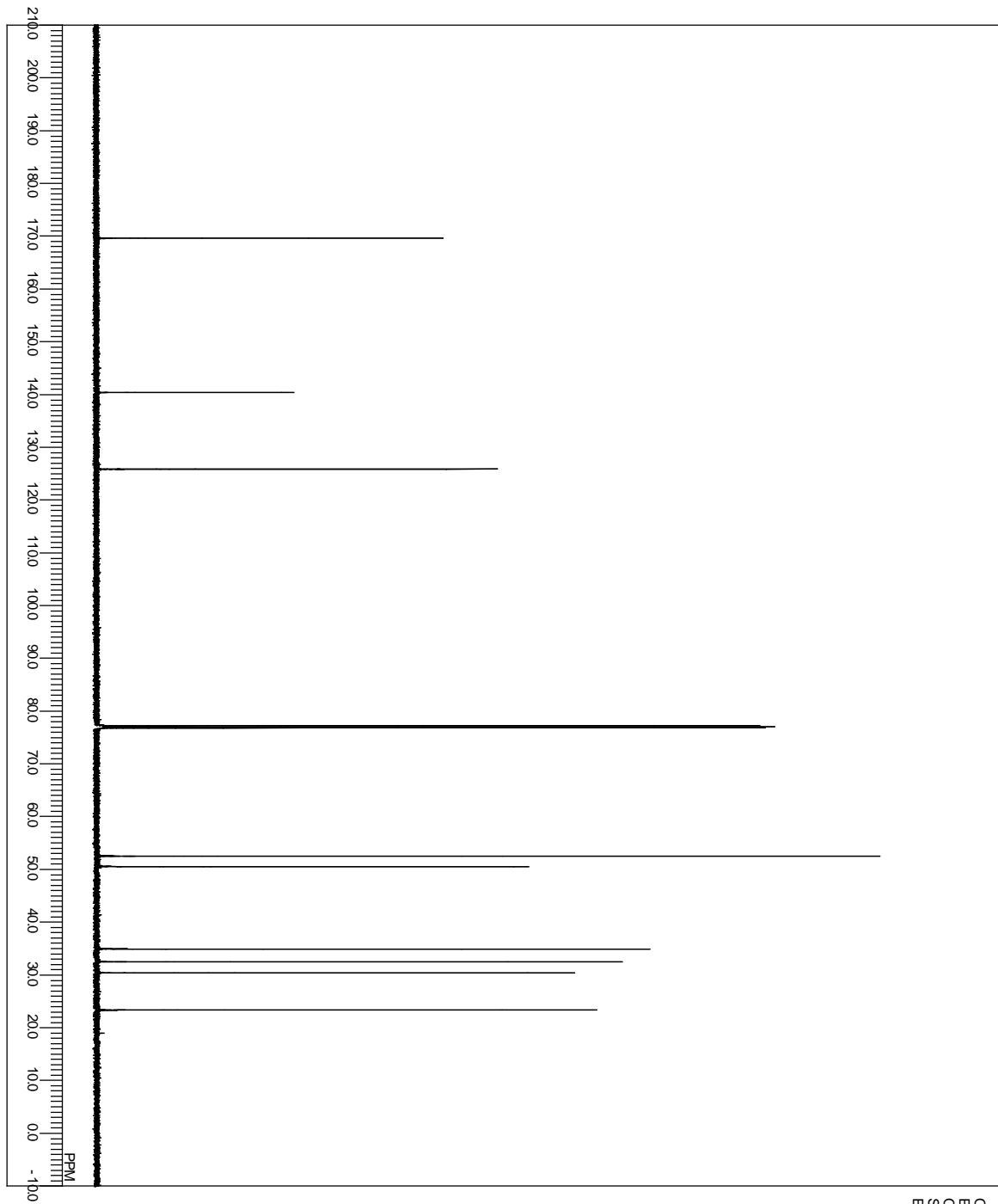




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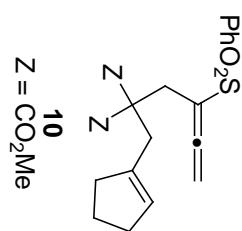
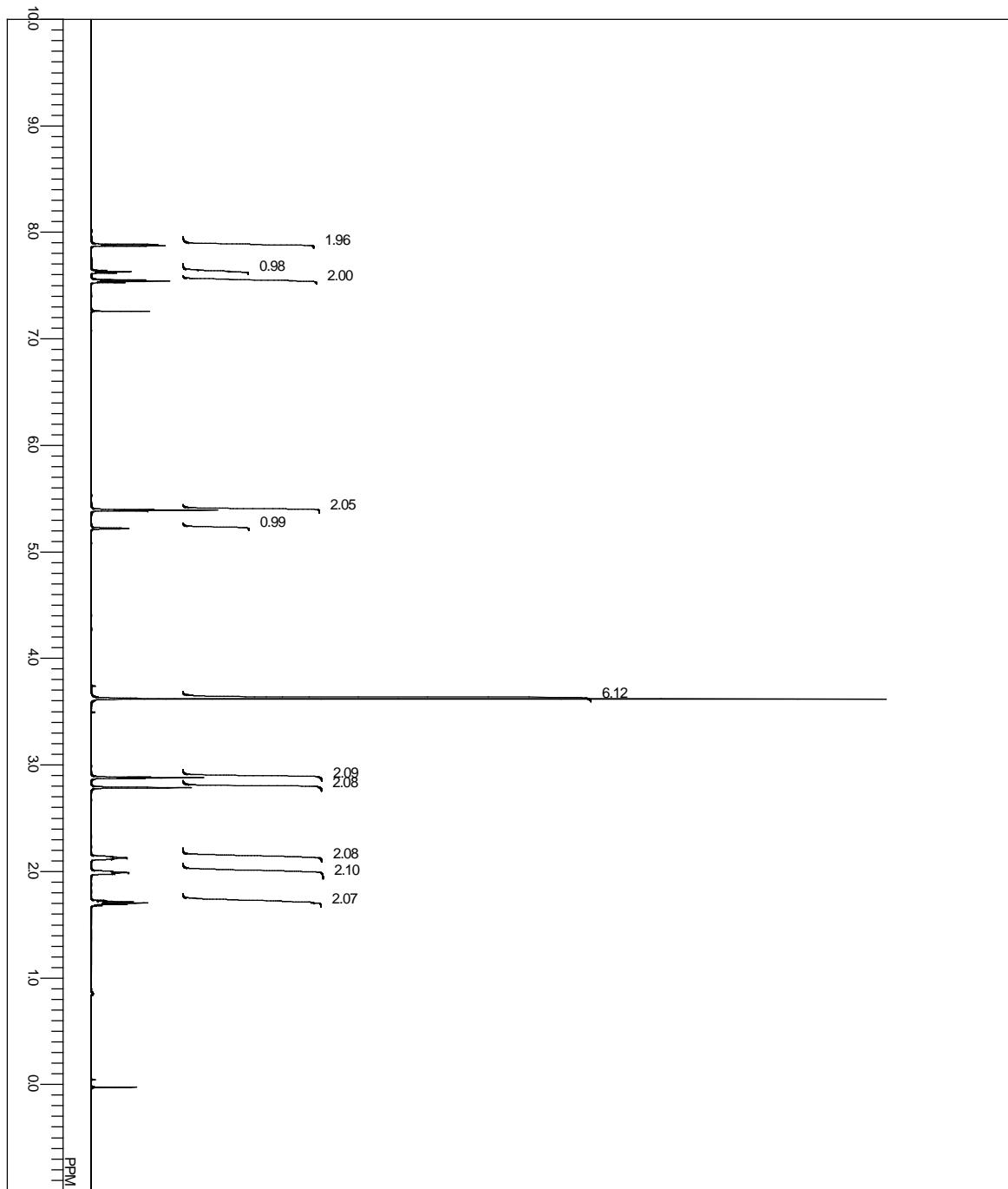
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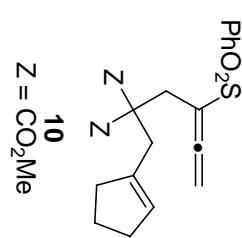
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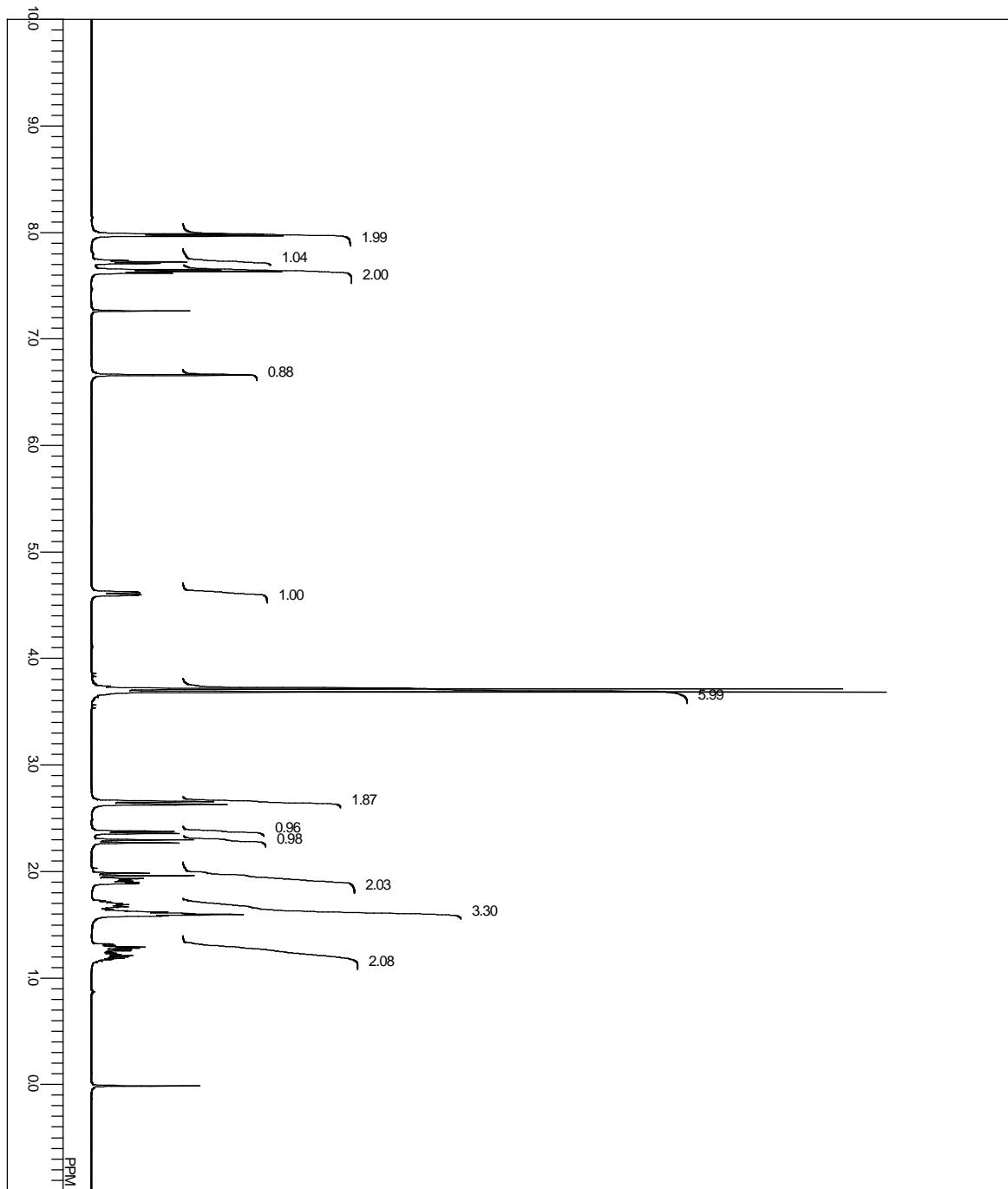
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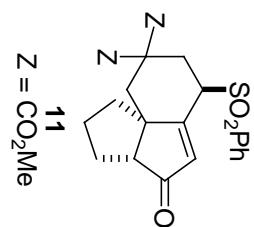


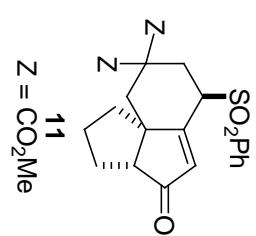
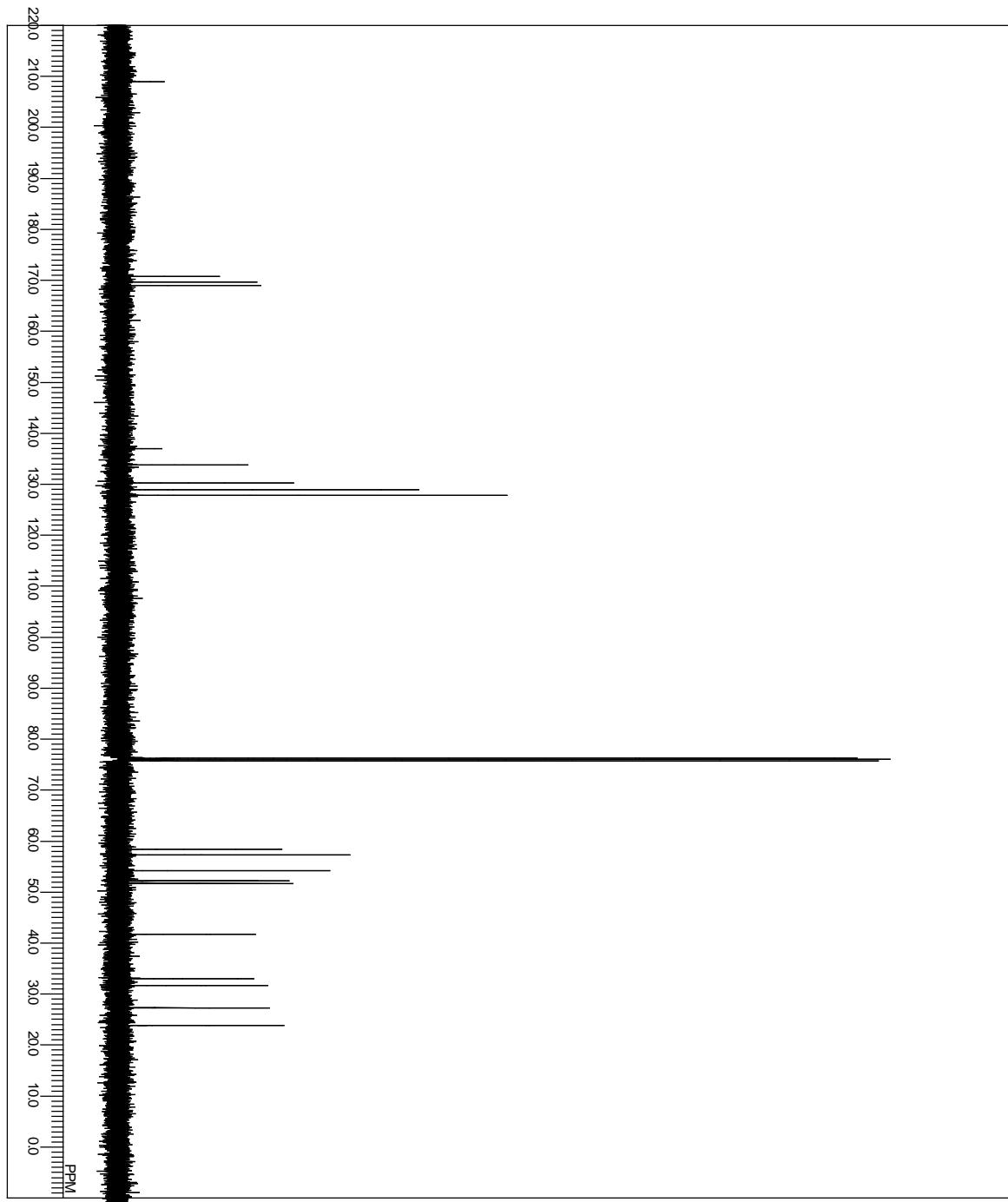
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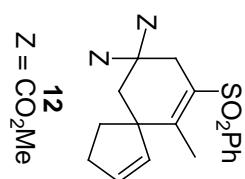
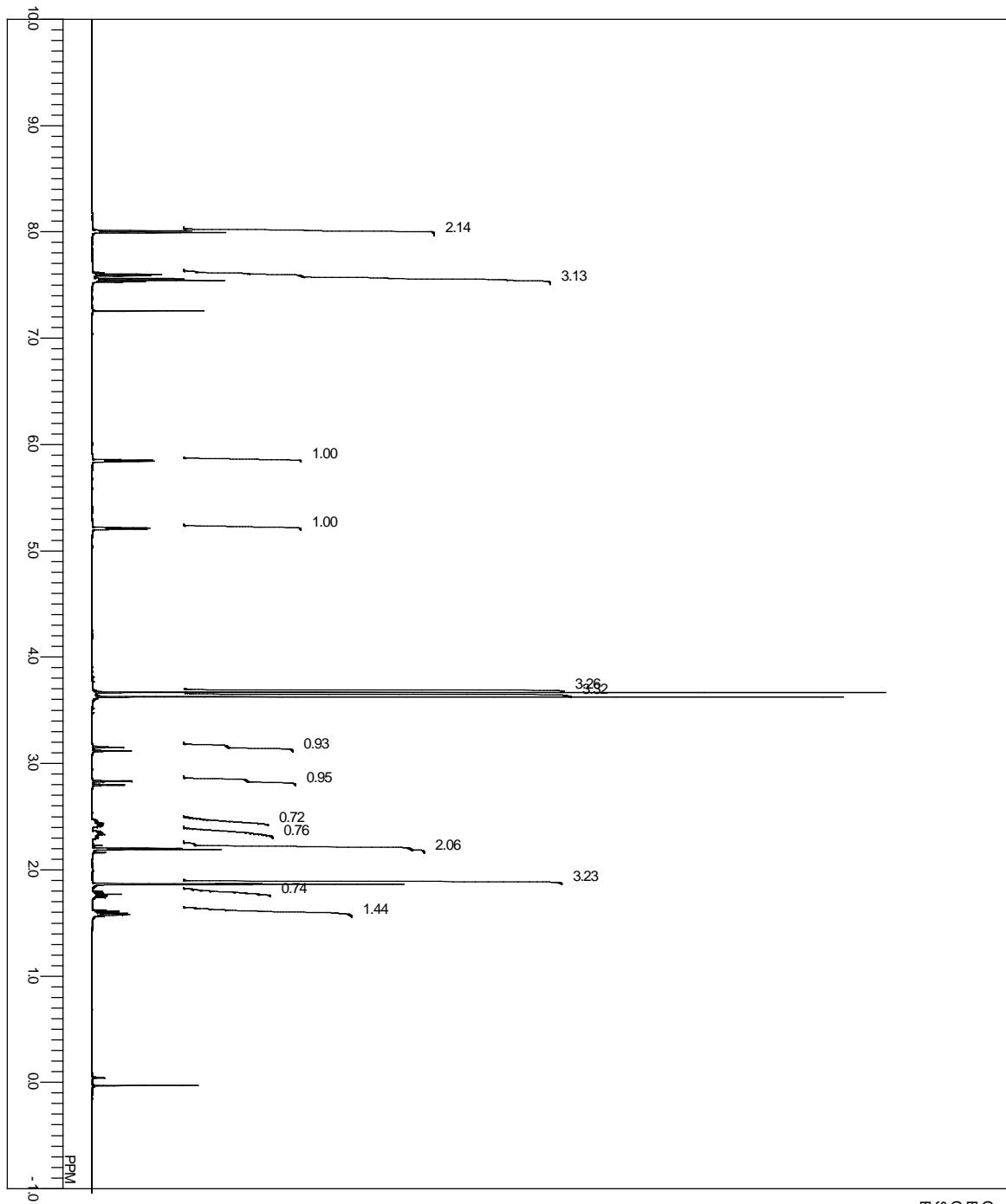
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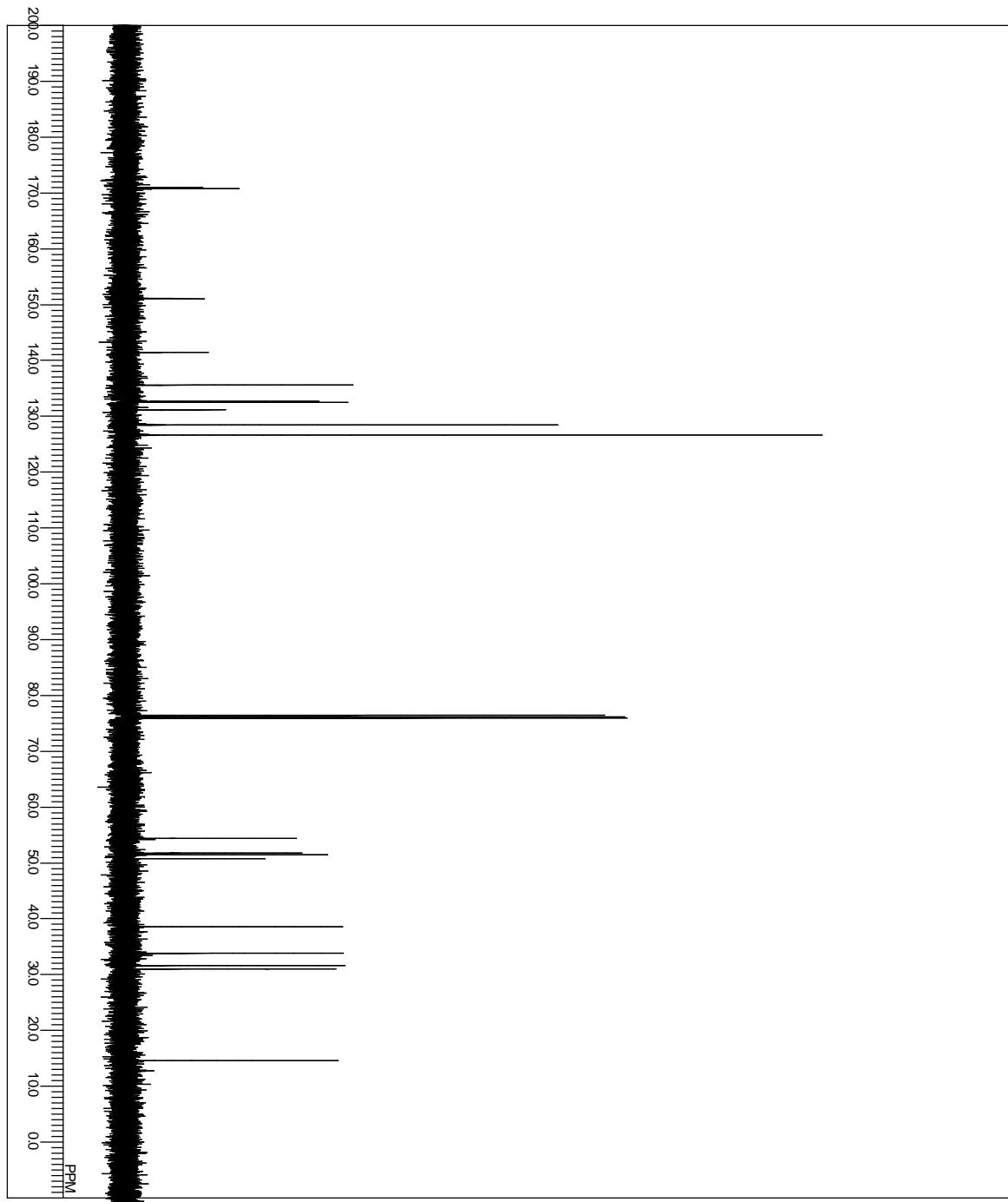


OBNUC
 EXMOD
 OBFRQ
 SLVNT
 CDCL3
 0.00 ppm
 1H
 NMR
 50000 MHz
 CDCL3
 0.00 ppm









OBNUC
EXMOD
OBFRQ
SLVNT
EXREF

13C
PCM
125.65 MHz
CDCl₃
77.00 ppm

