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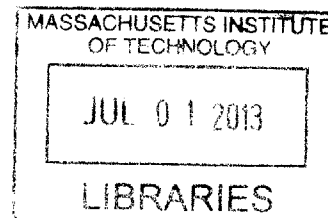
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
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
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ABSTRACT

**I. Direct Dehydrative *N*-Pyridinylation of Amides**

A method for the single-step *N*-pyridinylation of secondary amides is described. The process involves electrophilic activation of secondary amides with trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride in the presence of 2-fluoropyridine followed by introduction of a pyridine *N*-oxide derivative and warming to afford the corresponding *N*-pyridinyl tertiary amide derivatives. The structure of activated amide intermediates is probed through in situ monitoring, and a mechanism supported by in situ monitoring and deuterium labeling experiments is discussed.

**II. Synthesis of Spirocyclic Indolines by Interruption of the Bischler–Napieralski Reaction**

The development of a versatile method for the synthesis of spirocyclic pyrrolidinoindolines is described. Treatment of *N*-acyltryptamines with trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride–2-chloropyridine reagent combination affords highly persistent spiroindoleninium ions, which are selectively trapped intra- and intermolecularly by various nucleophiles.

**III. A Concise and Versatile Double-Cyclization Strategy for the Highly Stereoselective Synthesis and Novel Arylative Dimerization of *Aspidosperma* Alkaloids**

A strategy for the concise, stereoselective synthesis of *aspidosperma* alkaloids and related structures via a common putative diiminium ion intermediate is described. The approach enables the dimerization of *aspidosperma*-type structures at the sterically hindered C2-position. The diiminium intermediate is prepared in situ from an enantioenriched  $\alpha$ -quaternary 2-chlorotryptamine lactam through a stereoselective electrophilic double-cyclization cascade. The key C5-quaternary stereocenter is secured via successive diastereoselective  $\alpha$ -alkylations of pseudoephedrine crotonamide.

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## Abbreviations

Å	angstrom
[ $\alpha$ ]	specific rotation
Ac	acetyl
AIBN	2,2'-azobisisobutyronitrile
Anis	<i>para</i> -anisaldehyde
app	apparent
aq	aqueous
atm	atmosphere
Bn	benzyl
Br	broad
Bu	butyl
c	centi
<i>c</i>	concentration
°C	degree Celsius
CAM	ceric ammonium molybdate
cat.	catalyst
2-ClPyr	2-chloropyridine
cm	centimeter
3-CNPy	3-cyanopyridine
CNS	central nervous system
d	doublet
<i>d</i>	deuterium
$\delta$	parts per million
DART	direct analysis in real time
DBU	1,8-diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene
4-DMAP	4-dimethylaminopyridine
DMF	<i>N,N</i> -dimethylformamide
DMPU	<i>N,N'</i> -dimethylpropylene urea
DMSO	dimethylsulfoxide
dr	diastereomeric ratio
EDC•HCl	1-ethyl-3-(3-dimethylaminopropyl) carbodiimide hydrogen chloride
ee	enantiomeric excess
EI	electron ionization
equiv	equivalent
ESI	electrospray ionization
Et	ethyl
2-FPyr	2-fluoropyridine
FT	Fourier transform
g	gram
gCOSY	gradient correlation spectroscopy
gHMBC	gradient heteronuclear multiple bond correlation
h	hour

HPLC	high performance liquid chromatography
HRMS	high resolution mass spectrometry
HSQC	heteronuclear single quantum correlation
Hz	Hertz
<i>i</i>	iso
IR	infrared
<i>J</i>	coupling constant
Josiphos	( <i>R</i> )-1-[( <i>S<sub>P</sub></i> )-2-(di- <i>tert</i> -butylphosphino)ferrocenyl]ethylbis(2-methylphenyl)phosphine
L	liter
LDA	lithium <i>N,N</i> -diisopropylamide
LTMP	lithium 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidide
m	medium
m	multiplet
m	milli
m	meter
M	molar
μ	micro
Me	methyl
MHz	megahertz
min	minute
mol	mole
Ms	methanesulfonyl
MS	molecular sieves
MS	mass spectrometry
<i>m/z</i>	mass to charge ratio
<i>n</i>	normal
N	normal
NCS	<i>N</i> -chlorosuccinimide
NMR	nuclear magnetic resonance
NOESY	nuclear Overhauser effect correlation spectroscopy
Nuc	nucleophile
<i>p</i>	<i>para</i>
Ph	phenyl
PMA	phosphomolybdic acid
ppm	parts per million
Pr	propyl
psi	pounds per square inch
q	quartet
ref.	reference
<i>R</i>	rectus
<i>R<sub>f</sub></i>	retention factor
ROESY	rotating-frame nuclear Overhauser effect correlation spectroscopy

s	singlet
s	strong
s	secondary
S	sinister
SFO	system fluidics organizer
str	stretch
t	triplet
t	tertiary
'BuBrettPhos	[3,6-Dimethoxy-2',4',6'-tris(1-methylethyl)[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl]bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)phosphine
TES	triethylsilyl
Tf	trifluoromethanesulfonyl
THF	tetrahydrofuran
TLC	thin layer chromatography
Ts	<i>para</i> -toluenesulfonyl
UV	ultraviolet
w	weak

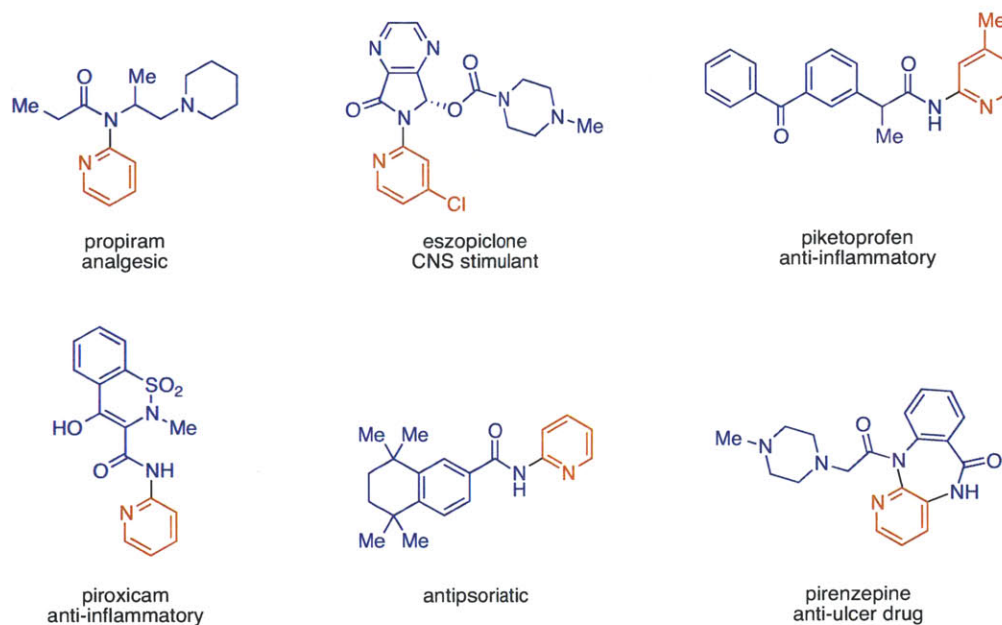


## **Chapter I**

### **Direct Dehydrative *N*-Pyridinylation of Amides**

## Introduction and Background

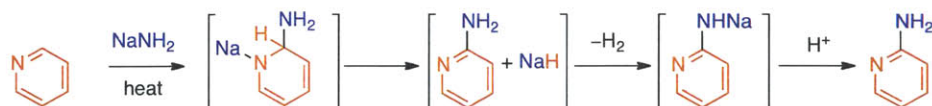
Pyridin-2-ylated amides are key structural motifs in a wide variety of pharmaceutical compounds and fine chemicals.<sup>1</sup> Propiram<sup>2</sup> (Figure 1) is a partial mu opioid receptor agonist and weak mu antagonist analgesic that has been shown to be more effective and potent than codeine. Eszopiclone<sup>3</sup> (Lunesta<sup>®</sup>), a CNS stimulant, is a short-acting, nonbenzodiazepine hypnotic agent widely used for the treatment of chronic insomnia. Piketoprofen<sup>4</sup> (Calmatel<sup>®</sup>) and piroxicam<sup>5</sup> (Feldene<sup>®</sup>) are non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, the latter of which is prescribed for the relief of symptoms of rheumatoid and osteoarthritis. The pyridin-2-ylated amide structure is also present in topical retinoids used for the treatment of psoriasis.<sup>6</sup> Pirenzepine<sup>7</sup> (Gastrozepin<sup>®</sup>) is an M<sub>1</sub>-selective antagonist used to treat peptic ulcers. The importance of pyridinylated amides continues to inspire new methods for their syntheses.



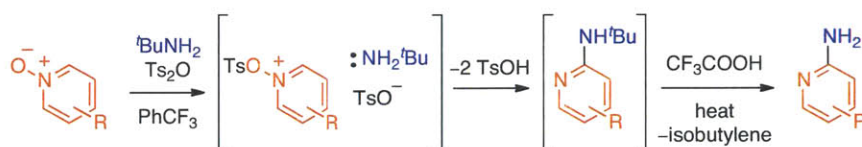
**Figure 1.** Representative compounds containing a pyridin-2-ylated amide substructure.

Among the earliest methods for the introduction of a pyridin-2-yl substituent onto a nitrogen atom was the reaction between sodamide and pyridine at elevated temperature reported by Chichibabin and co-workers (Scheme 1).<sup>8</sup> Addition of strongly basic sodamide into the weakly electrophilic 2-position of pyridine, followed by loss of hydrogen gas, affords 2-sodamidopyridine; acidification affords 2-aminopyridine. Recently, a milder set of conditions has been reported by Yin and co-workers<sup>9</sup> (Scheme 2), in which a pyridine *N*-oxide derivative<sup>10</sup> is activated with *para*-toluenesulfonic anhydride (Ts<sub>2</sub>O) in the presence of excess *tert*-butyl

amine to effect in situ formation of a 2-*tert*-butylamino pyridine derivative. Addition of trifluoroacetic acid and heating affords the 2-aminopyridine product. While these methods provide efficient access to 2-aminopyridines,<sup>11</sup> they are not known to effect the *N*-pyridinylation of amide substrates.

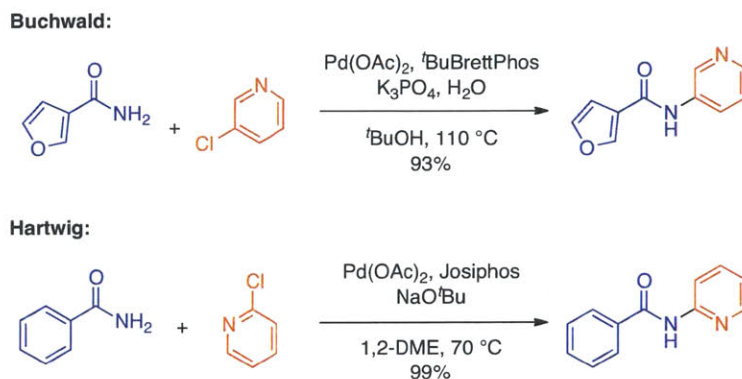


**Scheme 1.** The Chichibabin reaction.



**Scheme 2.** Synthesis of 2-aminopyridines from pyridine *N*-oxides.

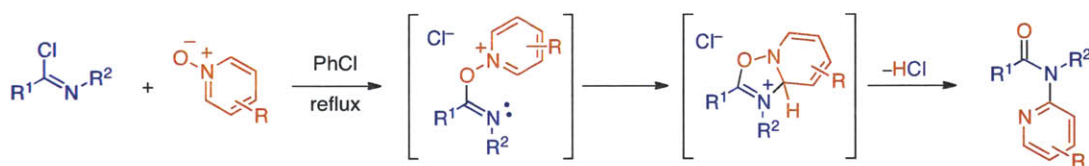
Metal-catalyzed cross-coupling reactions between nitrogen nucleophiles and aryl or heteroaryl halides or sulfonates,<sup>12</sup> such as the palladium- and copper-catalyzed methods reported by Buchwald<sup>13</sup> and the complementary palladium-catalyzed method reported by Hartwig,<sup>14</sup> have proven to be highly efficient and mild means for the *N*-arylation and *N*-heteroarylation of a variety of nitrogen-containing compounds, including amines and amides (Scheme 3). Primary amide substrates, in general, are efficiently substituted with a wide range of aryl and heteroaryl groups, including pyridin-2-yl groups. Secondary lactams and sterically unhindered<sup>15</sup> acyclic secondary amides are also generally useful in these transformations, though sterically hindered acyclic secondary amides represent a challenging substrate class,<sup>16</sup> and to date, methods for the intermolecular cross-coupling of sterically hindered acyclic secondary amides and 2-



**Scheme 3.** *N*-pyridinylation of amides via the Buchwald–Hartwig reaction.

halopyridines has not been reported.

In 1969, R. A. Abramovitch and co-workers reported a fascinating methodology for the synthesis of *N*-pyridinyl amide derivatives via the nucleophilic addition of heteroaromatic *N*-oxides to *N*-aryl and *N*-alkyl imidoyl chlorides or nitrilium salts at elevated temperature followed by a thermal rearrangement (Scheme 4).<sup>17</sup> Abramovitch's proposed mechanism was supported by elegant mechanistic investigations, although the reversibility or irreversibility of the steps involved was not determined. The reactions in general give good regioselectivity with respect to site of substitution on the pyridine ring, typically affording the *N*-pyridin-2-yl amide product as the only regioisomer. The high temperatures required for the reaction, the need for the synthesis and isolation of sensitive imidoyl chlorides or nitrilium salts in a separate step, the failure of electron-deficient *N*-oxides to undergo reaction, and the tendency for undesired side-product formation represent drawbacks to the original methodology.

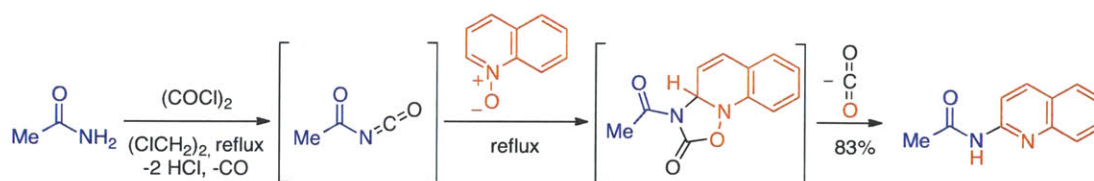


**Scheme 4.** The Abramovitch reaction.

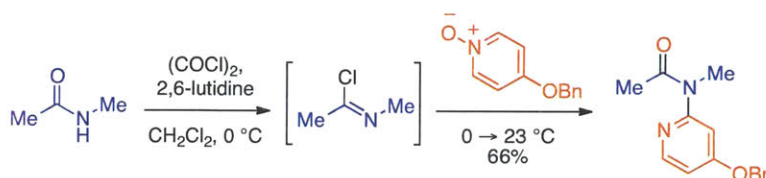
Recently, more direct methods for the *N*-pyridinylation of amides through reaction with pyridine *N*-oxide derivatives have been developed. Couturier and co-workers<sup>18</sup> reported the *N*-quinolinylation and *N*-isoquinolinylation of primary amides by in situ activation of the amide with oxalyl chloride at elevated temperature to afford an *N*-acylisocyanate intermediate, which undergoes trapping by a quinoline or isoquinoline *N*-oxide and subsequent thermal rearrangement to afford a secondary *N*-quinolin-2-ylated or *N*-isoquinolin-1-ylated amide product as single regioisomers (Scheme 5). Also, Bilodeau and co-workers<sup>19</sup> reported a modification of the Abramovitch reaction for the *N*-pyridinylation of secondary amides via in situ activation of the amide substrate with oxalyl chloride in the presence of 2,6-lutidine (Scheme 6). Addition of a pyridine *N*-oxide derivative to the imidoyl chloride intermediate affords the *N*-pyridinylated amide product. While this method allows for the direct *N*-pyridinylation of sterically unhindered *N*-methyl and *N*-benzyl acetamides and benzamides, no successful examples of the *N*-pyridinylation of sterically hindered amides were reported, and *N*-aryl amides proved to be a highly recalcitrant substrate class. Given the importance of *N*-pyridinylated amide



products, we sought to develop a mild protocol that would expand the substrate scope of the Abramovitch reaction.

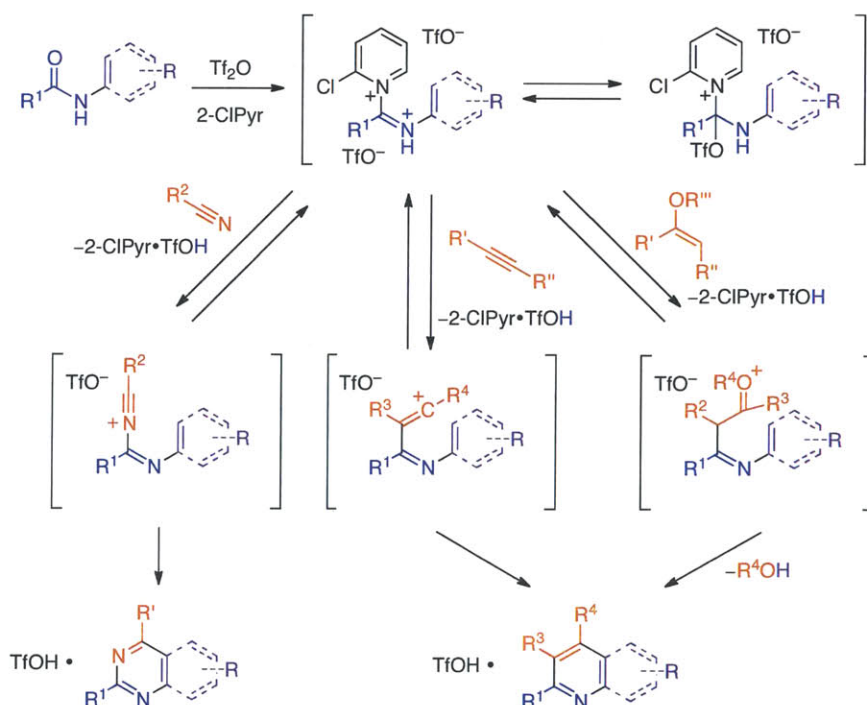


**Scheme 5.** *N*-pyridinylation of primary amides via *N*-acylisocyanates.



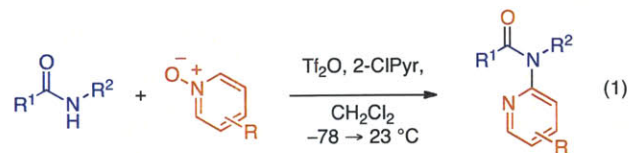
**Scheme 6.** A modified Abramovitch reaction.

Our laboratory has previously reported the use of 2-chloropyridine (2-ClPyr) with trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride<sup>20</sup> (Tf<sub>2</sub>O) as a versatile reagent combination for the synthesis of pyrimidine<sup>21</sup> and pyridine derivatives (Scheme 7).<sup>22</sup> These methodologies provide the desired



**Scheme 7.** Previous condensative heterocycle syntheses by Movassaghi et al. azaheterocycles via electrophilic activation of secondary *N*-aryl or *N*-vinyl amides to enable nucleophilic addition and annulation. Early spectroscopic studies indicated that activation of *N*-

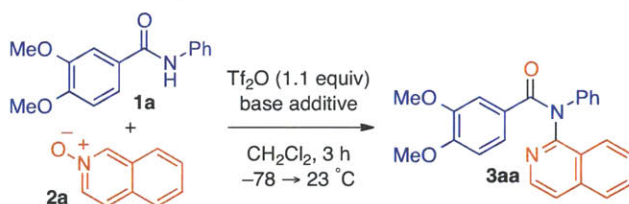
aryl amides with our laboratory's reagent combination Tf<sub>2</sub>O–2-ClPyr gives rise to 2-chloropyridinium adducts, which were proposed to potentially be highly electrophilic species that might enable reaction with the nucleophile. We envisioned that our laboratory's conditions would serve well for a modified Abramovitch reaction (eq 1). In this chapter, we describe the *N*-pyridinylation, *N*-isoquinolinylation and *N*-quinolinylation of various secondary amides and discuss a plausible mechanism supported by deuterium labeling and in situ monitoring experiments.



## Results and Discussion

Based off of our laboratory's previous results in the context of azaheterocycle synthesis, we reasoned that *N*-aryl amide **1a** would be competent for in situ electrophilic activation with 2-ClPyr–Tf<sub>2</sub>O and subsequent reaction with *N*-oxide nucleophiles. Thus, amide **1a** and isoquinoline *N*-oxide (**2a**) served as substrates for our early exploration of this chemistry (Table 1). Interestingly, the use of 2-fluoropyridine (2-FPyr, 1.2 equiv) as a base additive afforded a significant improvement in the reaction yield as compared to 2-ClPyr, furnishing amide **3aa** in 99% yield (compare entries 1 and 11, Table 1). More nucleophilic and stronger base additives generally gave poorer yields as compared to base additives with attenuated nucleophilicity and basicity. These observations suggest that optimal conditions provide a balance between the need for a base additive to promote electrophilic activation of the amide substrate while avoiding nucleophilic inhibition of this reaction. Consistent with our earlier findings,<sup>21,22</sup> both the presence of the optimal base additive in excess or its absence led to a marked decrease in the yield of the desired product (entries 3, 12 and 13, Table 1). The use of the Hendrickson reagent ((Ph<sub>3</sub>P<sup>+</sup>)<sub>2</sub>O•2TfO<sup>-</sup>)<sup>23</sup> as the activating agent for this dehydrative *N*-pyridinylation reaction proved less effective as compared to the optimal conditions described above (entry 16, Table 1). The overall yield can be improved by use of excess **2a** due to competitive *N*-oxide decomposition (entry 2, Table 1).

We next examined the optimal conditions with a range of amide substrates with three representative heteroaromatic *N*-oxides (Table 2). Isoquinolinylation of amides under our conditions is highly efficient, giving good to excellent yields in all cases examined.

**Table 1.** Optimization of Reaction Conditions.<sup>a</sup>

entry	base additive	base equiv	<i>N</i> -oxide X equiv	yield (%) <sup>b</sup>
1	2-Cl-pyridine	1.2	1.1	77
2	2-Cl-pyridine	1.2	2.0	81
3	None	-	1.1	16
4	pyridine	1.2	1.1	10
5	$\text{Et}_3\text{N}$	1.2	1.1	0
6	2-Br-pyridine	1.2	1.1	58
7	3-Cl-pyridine	1.2	1.1	74
8	Ethyl Nicotinate	1.2	1.1	73
9	3-Br-pyridine	1.2	1.1	72
10	2,6-lutidine	1.2	1.1	55
11	<b>2-F-pyridine</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>99</b>
12	2-F-pyridine	2.0	1.1	88
13	2-F-pyridine	5.0	1.1	76
14	DIPEA	1.2	1.1	48
15	2,6-dichloropyridine	1.2	1.1	15
16	Hendrickson Reagent <sup>c</sup>	1.5	1.1	72

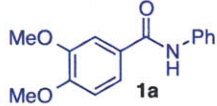


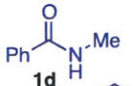
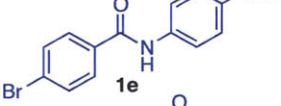
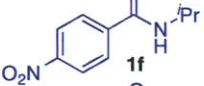
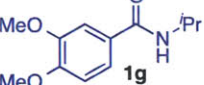
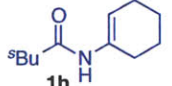
<sup>a</sup>Conditions: Amide **1a**,  $\text{Tf}_2\text{O}$  (1.1 equiv), base additive,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ,  $-78 \rightarrow 0^\circ\text{C}$ ; isoquinoline *N*-oxide,  $0 \rightarrow 23^\circ\text{C}$ , 3 h. <sup>b</sup>Isolated yield. <sup>c</sup>Hendrickson reagent ( $(\text{Ph}_3\text{P}^+)_2\text{O} \cdot 2\text{TfO}^-$ ) was prepared (reference 23) and used in place of  $\text{Tf}_2\text{O}$  without base additive.

Isoquinolinylation of both *N*-alkyl benzamides (entries **3da**, **3fa**, and **3ga**, Table 2), in addition to *N*-aryl and *N*-vinyl amides (entries **3ca** and **3ha**, Table 2) were achieved in high yields under our standard reaction conditions. The high efficiency of our reaction with sterically hindered amide substrates (**3fa**, **3ga**, and **3ha**, Table 2) is notable. Electron rich benzamides notwithstanding (entry **3aa**, Table 2), the least efficient substrates in this series were *N*-aryl benzamides (entries **3ba** and **3ea**, Table 2). In all cases, completely regioselective isoquinolinylations proceeded at the 1-position of the isoquinoline ring.<sup>17-19</sup>

The use of quinoline *N*-oxide (**2b**, Table 2) and pyridine *N*-oxide (**2c**) as substrates also gave completely regioselective acylation, however, with reduced overall efficiency for the formation of the desired products. This is due in part to the faster decomposition<sup>17b,c,24</sup> of *N*-oxides **2b** and **2c** (as compared to **2a**) under the electrophilic activation reaction conditions.<sup>25</sup> Interestingly, in reactions employing *N*-oxide **2c**, amides that exhibited high reactivity in



**Table 2.** Direct Dehydrative *N*-Pyridinylation of Amides.<sup>a</sup>

amide	<i>N</i> -(isoquinolin-1-yl) product 3	<i>N</i> -(quinolin-2-yl) product 3	<i>N</i> -(pyridin-2-yl) product 3
 <b>1a</b>	<b>3aa</b> : 99% <sup>b</sup>	<b>3ab</b> : 0% <sup>c</sup>	<b>3ac</b> : 41%
 <b>1b</b>	<b>3ba</b> : 72%	<b>3bb</b> : 36%	<b>3bc</b> : 40%
 <b>1c</b>	<b>3ca</b> : 97%	<b>3cb</b> : 35%	<b>3cc</b> : 66% <sup>d</sup>
 <b>1d</b>	<b>3da</b> : 100%	<b>3db</b> : 60%	<b>3dc</b> : 67% <sup>d</sup>
 <b>1e</b>	<b>3ea</b> : 74%	<b>3eb</b> : 42%	<b>3ec</b> : 37%
 <b>1f</b>	<b>3fa</b> : 92%	<b>3fb</b> : 13%	<b>3fc</b> : 74%
 <b>1g</b>	<b>3ga</b> : 94%	<b>3gb</b> : 25%	<b>3gc</b> : 48%
 <b>1h</b>	<b>3ha</b> : 91%	<b>3hb</b> : 78%	<b>3hc</b> : 39% <sup>d,e</sup>

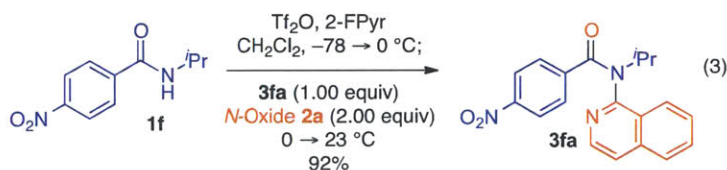
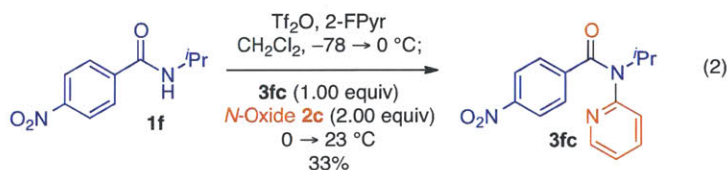
<sup>a</sup> Isolated yields of products **3xy**. Average of two experiments. Conditions: Amide **1x** (1 equiv), Tf<sub>2</sub>O (1.1 equiv), 2-FPyr (1.2 equiv), CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -78 → 0 °C; *N*-oxide **2y** (2.0 equiv), 0 → 23 °C, 4 h. <sup>b</sup> *N*-oxide **2a** (1.1 equiv), 3 h. <sup>c</sup> Decomposition of **1a** observed over 4 h. <sup>d</sup> 2,6-lutidine used as base. <sup>e</sup> Low yield due to product decomposition.

isoquinolinylation reactions gave higher yields when 2,6-lutidine<sup>19</sup> was used in place of 2-FPyr as the base additive (products **3cc**, **3dc** and **3hc** Table 2), likely owing to slight suppression of *N*-oxide decomposition. However, the use of 2,6-lutidine in place of 2-fluoropyridine with less

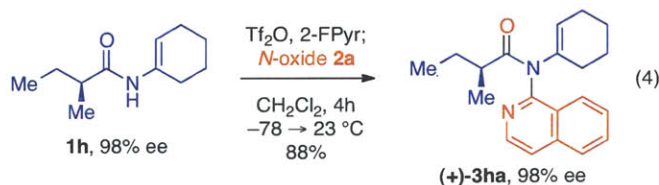


reactive *N*-aryl benzamides (**1b** and **1e**, Table 2) resulted in significantly lower yields of the desired products.

Attempts to *N*-quinolinylate amide **1a** under our standard conditions gave no detectable amount of the desired product **3ab**. This is consistent with poor nucleophilic addition of **2b** to the activated intermediate allowing a competitive decomposition of amide **1a**.<sup>26</sup> Given that nucleophilic base additives inhibit the desired reaction (Table 1), we conjectured that the *N*-pyridinylated products formed may also play an inhibitory role. Activation of amide **1f** followed by sequential addition of *N*-pyridinylated amide **3fc** (1.00 equiv) and pyridine *N*-oxide (**2c**) gave a low 33% yield of the desired amide **3fc** (eq 2),<sup>27</sup> which is less than half the expected yield. This suggests that product inhibition can be significant in these pyridinylation reactions. However, activation of amide **1f** under optimized conditions, followed by sequential addition of

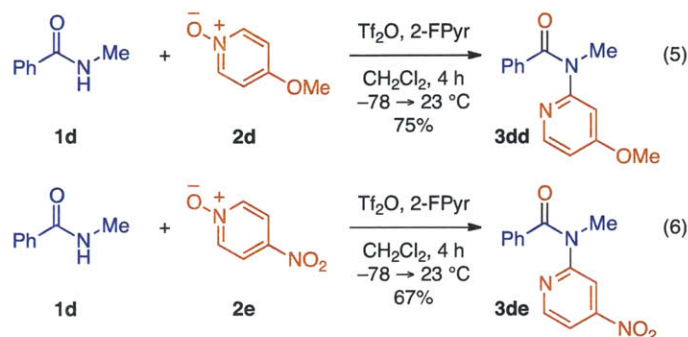


product **3fa** (1.00 equiv) and isoquinoline *N*-oxide (**2a**) gave 92% yield of the desired *N*-isoquinolinylated amide **3fa** (eq 3),<sup>27</sup> indicating no significant product inhibition in this reaction. Furthermore, sequential activation of an enantiomerically enriched amide **1h**<sup>22</sup> under optimized conditions followed by introduction of isoquinoline *N*-oxide (**2a**) provided the optically active *N*-isoquinolinylated amide (+)-**3ha** without erosion of optical activity (eq 4).

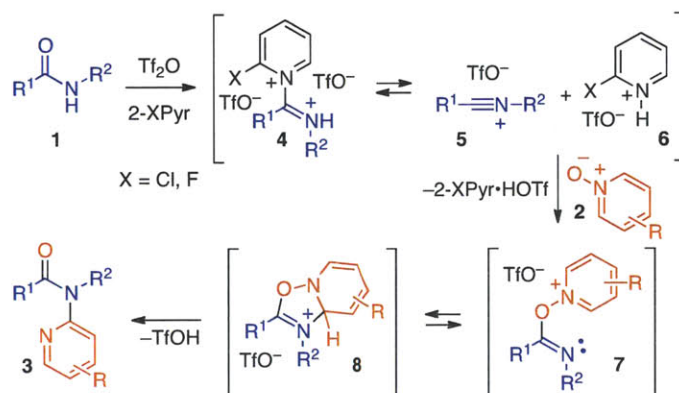


Interestingly, while *N*-pyridinylation of amides was generally less efficient as compared to *N*-isoquinolinylation, the use of both electron-rich and electron-poor 4-substituted pyridine *N*-oxides **2d** and **2e**, respectively, gave good yields of the desired products (eqs 5 and 6). The successful *N*-pyridinylation of amide **1d** with 4-nitropyridine *N*-oxide (**2e**) is notable, as its use

as a nucleophile for the Abramovitch reaction was previously reported to be unsuccessful,<sup>17a,c</sup> suggesting greater electrophilicity of the intermediate under the conditions described here.



To gain better understanding of the intermediates involved in this transformation, a series of in situ IR and NMR monitoring experiments were performed. The conversion of amide **1d** to *N*-isoquinolinylated amide **3da** under optimized conditions was monitored by in situ IR analysis. Addition of  $\text{Tf}_2\text{O}$  to a mixture of amide **1d** and 2-FPyr resulted in complete consumption of the amide absorption band ( $1668 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) and appearance of a persistent absorption at  $2370 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , suggestive of a nitrilium ion intermediate.<sup>17c,28</sup> Addition of isoquinoline *N*-oxide (**2a**) resulted in immediate disappearance of the absorption at  $2370 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  and appearance of a persistent absorption at  $1691 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , which was due to the protonated product **3da**. Interestingly, the activation of *N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)benzamide (**1i**) with the reagent combination of 2-ClPyr and  $\text{Tf}_2\text{O}$  did not lead to an observable absorption corresponding to a nitrilium ion, but instead gave rise to a persistent absorption at  $1600 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , suggestive of an amidinium intermediate.<sup>22</sup> These observations suggest that while electrophilic activation of **1d** using 2-FPyr results in **5d** (Scheme 8), similar activation of **1i** using 2-ClPyr leads to predominant formation of **4i** rather than **5i**.



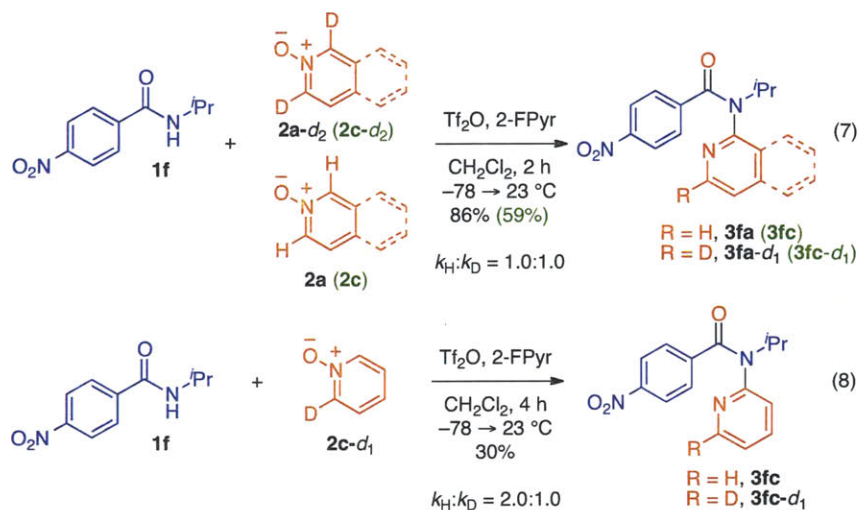
**Scheme 8.** Mechanism for direct dehydrative *N*-pyridinylation of amides.

To determine the degree to which the formation of a nitrilium ion depends on the nature of the base additive and the amide structure itself, a series of in situ IR monitoring experiments were carried out.<sup>27</sup> For comparison, while activation of *N*-alkyl benzamide **1d** under optimal conditions resulted in an absorption suggesting a nitrilium ion (2370 cm<sup>-1</sup>),<sup>29</sup> the activation of *N*-aryl benzamides **1b** and **1i** under the same conditions led to no detection of an IR absorption consistent with a nitrilium ion, but instead resulted in the appearance of an IR absorption suggesting an amidinium ion (1621 cm<sup>-1</sup> in both cases).<sup>22</sup> However, Tf<sub>2</sub>O activation of the electron-rich *N*-aryl benzamide **1a** in the presence of either 2-FPyr or 2-ClPyr (1.2 equiv) indeed resulted in an absorption at 2312 cm<sup>-1</sup>, suggesting a persistent nitrilium ion intermediate. Interestingly, addition of extra equivalents of 2-ClPyr resulted in complete disappearance of this absorption band and appearance of a persistent absorption at 1594 cm<sup>-1</sup>, consistent with the formation of the previously observed amidinium ion.<sup>22</sup> Even the electron-poor *N*-alkyl benzamide **1f** resulted in a lasting nitrilium ion (2354 cm<sup>-1</sup>) upon electrophilic activation in the presence of either 2-FPyr or 2-ClPyr (1.2 equiv), although the presence of excess 2-ClPyr resulted in disappearance of the absorption at 2354 cm<sup>-1</sup> and the appearance of an absorption at 1609 cm<sup>-1</sup>.<sup>30</sup> These observations suggest that activation of *N*-alkyl amides under these conditions more readily results in persistent nitrilium ion formation, while *N*-aryl amides show reluctance to form the corresponding nitrilium ion, likely owing to the inductive effect of the nitrogen substituent.<sup>31</sup> Only the particularly electron-rich *N*-aryl benzamide **1a** resulted in any observable nitrilium ion, perhaps due to greater stabilization by resonance contribution. These differences in amide reactivity were further substantiated by in situ <sup>1</sup>H NMR monitoring of the electrophilic activation step. Interestingly, amides that demonstrated the least propensity to form a nitrilium ion upon activation under the optimal reaction conditions also gave the lowest yields in reactions with isoquinoline *N*-oxide (e.g., entry **3ba**, Table 2). Furthermore, reduced yield of the desired product upon addition of excess base additive (or use of nucleophilic bases, Table 1) is consistent with the observed disappearance of the nitrilium species during in situ monitoring experiments.

Additional mechanistic insight was obtained using deuterated substrates **2a-d<sub>2</sub>**, **2c-d<sub>2</sub>** and **2c-d<sub>1</sub>** (eqs 7 and 8). Electrophilic activation of *N*-alkyl benzamide **1f** under optimal conditions followed by introduction of excess<sup>32</sup> isoquinoline *N*-oxide (**2a**) and 1,3-dideuteroisoquinoline *N*-oxide (**2a-d<sub>2</sub>**) provided a mixture of *N*-isoquinolinylated products **3fa** and **3fa-d<sub>1</sub>** corresponding



to  $k_H:k_D = 1.0:1.0$  in 86% combined yield (eq 7).<sup>27</sup> The same outcome was observed in a similar experiment using excess **2c-d<sub>2</sub>** and **2c**, resulting in a mixture of the *N*-pyridinylated products **3fc** and **3fc-d<sub>1</sub>** corresponding to  $k_H:k_D = 1.0:1.0$  in a combined yield of 59% (eq 7). As another mechanistic probe, activation of **1f** under optimal conditions and the use of excess 2-deuteropyridine *N*-oxide (**2a-d<sub>1</sub>**) provided the expected *N*-pyridinylated amide **3fc** as a mixture of non-deuterated and monodeuterated derivatives (eq 8).<sup>27</sup> Importantly, the ratio of **3fc-d<sub>0</sub>** and **3fc-d<sub>1</sub>** was found to be 1.0:2.0, reflecting an observable primary kinetic isotope effect ( $k_H:k_D = 2.0:1.0$ ).<sup>33</sup> These observations suggest that addition<sup>34</sup> of the imidate nitrogen onto the pyridinium ring is reversible, whereas nucleophilic addition of the *N*-oxide **2** to the nitrilium ion **5** (or another electrophilic variant) is irreversible (Scheme 8).



## Conclusion

We have presented a direct method for the dehydrative *N*-pyridinylation of amides under electrophilic activation by the reagent combination of  $\text{TF}_2\text{O}$  and 2-FPyr. This method allows for a highly effective activation of a variety of amide substrates, including sterically hindered and *N*-aryl amides,<sup>19</sup> without requiring the isolation of sensitive intermediates or the use of heavy metal Lewis acid additives, allows for the use of electron-deficient pyridine *N*-oxide derivatives, and proceeds in shortened reaction times without the need for elevated temperatures.<sup>17</sup> Our in situ monitoring experiments suggest greater propensity for the formation of persistent nitrilium ion intermediates when *N*-alkyl amide substrates are used as compared to *N*-aryl amides. Our studies with deuterated *N*-oxide substrates suggest an irreversible nucleophilic addition step and a plausible interconversion of intermediates **7** and **8** based on the observed kinetic isotope effect.

The activation conditions described here allow the trapping of highly electrophilic intermediates with weakly nucleophilic *N*-oxides.<sup>35</sup>

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## Experimental Section

**General Procedures.** All reactions were performed in oven-dried or flame-dried round bottomed flasks, modified Schlenk (Kjeldahl shape) flasks or glass pressure vessels. The flasks were fitted with rubber septa and reactions were conducted under a positive pressure of argon. Stainless steel gas-tight syringes or cannulae were used to transfer air- and moisture-sensitive liquids. Flash column chromatography was performed as described by Still et al. using silica gel (60 Å pore size, 32–63 µm, standard grade) or non-activated alumina (80–325 mesh, chromatographic grade).<sup>1</sup> Analytical thin-layer chromatography was performed using glass plates pre-coated with 0.25 mm 230–400 mesh silica gel or neutral alumina impregnated with a fluorescent indicator (254 nm). Thin layer chromatography plates were visualized by exposure to ultraviolet light and/or by exposure to an ethanolic phosphomolybdic acid (PMA), an acidic solution of *p*-anisaldehyde (anis), an aqueous solution of ceric ammonium molybdate (CAM), an aqueous solution of potassium permanganate (KMnO<sub>4</sub>) or an ethanolic solution of ninhydrin followed by heating (<1 min) on a hot plate (~250 °C). Organic solutions were concentrated on rotary evaporators at ~20 Torr (house vacuum) at 25–35 °C, then at ~1 Torr (vacuum pump) unless otherwise indicated.

**Materials.** Commercial reagents and solvents were used as received with the following exceptions: Dichloromethane, diethyl ether, tetrahydrofuran, acetonitrile, toluene, and triethylamine were purchased from J.T. Baker (Cycletainer™) and were purified by the method of Grubbs et al. under positive argon pressure.<sup>2</sup> 2-Chloropyridine was distilled from calcium hydride and stored sealed under an argon atmosphere. Secondary amides were prepared by acylation of the corresponding primary amines<sup>3</sup> or by previously reported copper-catalyzed C–N bond-forming reactions.<sup>4</sup>

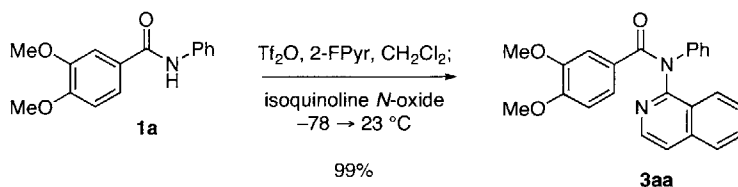
**Instrumentation.** Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (<sup>1</sup>H NMR) spectra were recorded with 300 and 500 MHz spectrometers. Chemical shifts are recorded in parts per million on the δ scale and are referenced from the residual protium in the NMR solvent (CHCl<sub>3</sub>: δ 7.27, C<sub>2</sub>D<sub>5</sub>HSO: δ 2.50). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift [multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet), coupling constant(s) in Hertz, integration, assignment]. Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance (<sup>13</sup>C NMR) spectra were recorded with 300 and 500 MHz spectrometers and are recorded in parts per million on the δ scale and are referenced from the carbon resonances of the solvent (CDCl<sub>3</sub>: δ 77.2, (D<sub>3</sub>C)<sub>2</sub>SO: δ 39.5). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift [multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet), coupling constant(s) in Hertz, assignment]. Infrared data were obtained with an FTIR and are reported as follows: [frequency of absorption (cm<sup>-1</sup>), intensity of absorption (s = strong, m = medium, w = weak, br = broad), assignment]. In situ IR reaction monitoring was performed with an in situ monitoring IR spectrometer.

<sup>1</sup> Still, W. C.; Kahn, M.; Mitra, A. *J. Org. Chem.* **1978**, *43*, 2923.

<sup>2</sup> Pangborn, A. B.; Giardello, M. A.; Grubbs, R. H.; Rosen, R. K.; Timmers, F. J. *Organometallics* **1996**, *15*, 1518.

<sup>3</sup> For a general procedure, see: DeRuiter, J.; Swearingen, B. E.; Wandrekar, V.; Mayfield, C. A. *J. Med. Chem.* **1989**, *32*, 1033.

<sup>4</sup> For the general procedure used for the synthesis of *N*-vinyl amides, see: Jiang, L.; Job, G. E.; Klapars, A.; Buchwald, S. L. *Org. Lett.* **2003**, *5*, 3667.



**N-(Isoquinolin-1-yl)-3,4-dimethoxy-N-phenylbenzamide (3aa, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (46.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.270 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of 3,4-dimethoxy-*N*-phenylbenzamide<sup>5</sup> (**1a**, 63.0 mg, 0.245 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (25.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.294 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.0 mL) at  $-78$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was warmed to  $0$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, isoquinoline *N*-oxide (39.2 mg, 0.270 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 3 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (40  $\rightarrow$  60% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3aa** (93.1 mg, 99%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.37 (d, 1H,  $J = 5.6$  Hz), 8.16 (dd, 1H,  $J = 8.5, 0.8$  Hz), 7.86 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.3$  Hz), 7.69–7.57 (m, 3H), 7.31 (t, 2H,  $J = 8.0$  Hz), 7.24 (d, 2H,  $J = 7.5$  Hz), 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.07 (s, 1H), 6.64 (s, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.58 (s, 3H).

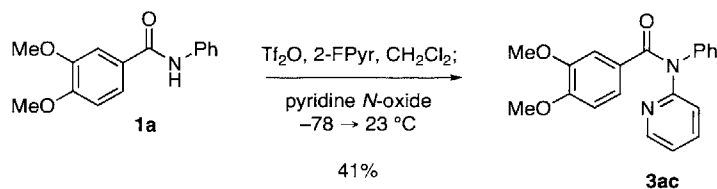
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 171.1, 155.4, 151.0, 148.1, 143.5, 141.9, 138.4, 130.7, 129.3, 128.5, 128.0, 127.3, 126.5, 126.3, 125.7, 125.0, 123.0, 121.1, 112.1, 110.1, 55.9, 55.7.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3061 (w), 2936 (m), 1661 (s), 1516 (s), 1268 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 385.1547, found: 385.1551.

TLC (50% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.21 (UV).

<sup>5</sup> Gore, V. G.; Narasimhan, N. S. *J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1* **1988**, 481.



**3,4-Dimethoxy-N-phenyl-N-(pyridin-2-yl)benzamide (3ac, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (38.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.227 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of 3,4-dimethoxy-N-phenylbenzamide<sup>5</sup> (**1a**, 52.7 mg, 0.206 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (21.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.247 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.0 mL) at  $-78$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was warmed to  $0$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, pyridine *N*-oxide (39.2 mg, 0.412 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an atmosphere of argon. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 3 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (40  $\rightarrow$  60% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3ac** (28.0 mg, 41%).

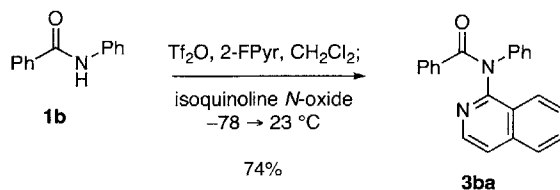
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.43–8.42 (m, 1H), 7.67–7.64 (m, 1H), 7.35–7.32 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.21 (m, 2H), 7.18–7.10 (m, 4H), 7.03 (d, 1H,  $J = 2.0$  Hz), 6.70 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.0$  Hz), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.69 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 170.7, 157.0, 151.1, 149.3, 148.3, 143.4, 138.0, 129.5, 128.0, 127.8, 126.8, 123.6, 122.2, 121.4, 112.6, 110.2, 56.0, 55.9.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3007 (w), 2936 (m), 1660 (s), 1585 (s), 1239 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 335.1390, found: 335.1381.

TLC (50% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.09 (UV).



**N-(Isoquinolin-1-yl)-N-phenylbenzamide<sup>6</sup> (3ba, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (49.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.292 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-phenylbenzamide (**1b**, 52.3 mg, 0.265 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (27.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.318 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (2.0 mL) at  $-78$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the resulting mixture was warmed to  $0$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, isoquinoline *N*-oxide (77.0 mg, 0.530 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (20  $\rightarrow$  30% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3ba<sup>6</sup>** (63.6 mg, 74%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, (D<sub>3</sub>C)<sub>2</sub>SO, 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.34–8.28 (m, 1H), 8.22 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.3$  Hz), 8.02 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.2$  Hz), 7.84–7.74 (m, 2H), 7.73–7.67 (m, 1H), 7.47 (s, 2H), 7.34–7.27 (m, 3H), 7.26–7.16 (m, 5H).

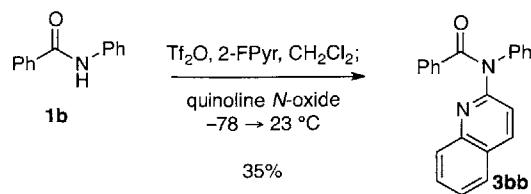
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, (D<sub>3</sub>C)<sub>2</sub>SO, 100  $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 170.2, 153.8, 142.3, 140.8, 137.4, 135.7, 130.1, 129.7, 128.4, 128.0, 127.6, 127.3, 126.6, 126.1, 125.7, 124.4, 124.1, 120.5.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3059 (m), 1663 (s), 1584 (s), 1494 (s), 1386 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 325.1335, found: 325.1345.

TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.35 (UV).

<sup>6</sup> Abramovitch, R. A.; Rogers, R. B.; Singer, G. M. *J. Org. Chem.* **1975**, *40*, 41.



**N-(Quinolin-2-yl)-N-phenylbenzamide<sup>6</sup> (3bb, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (46.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.275 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-phenylbenzamide (**1b**, 49.0 mg, 0.250 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (25.8  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.300 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, quinoline *N*-oxide (72.6 mg, 0.500 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (20  $\rightarrow$  30% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3bb<sup>6</sup>** (28.2 mg, 35%).

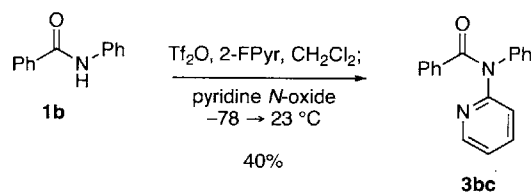
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.09 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.7$  Hz), 7.81–7.74 (m, 2H), 7.66–7.59 (m, 1H), 7.58–7.45 (m, 3H), 7.39–7.17 (m, 9H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 171.7, 155.6, 147.3, 142.7, 138.1, 136.4, 130.7, 130.0, 129.4, 129.3, 129.0, 128.1, 128.1, 127.5, 127.0, 126.6, 126.5, 120.0.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3062 (m), 1666 (s), 1594 (s), 1502 (s), 1301 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 325.1335, found: 325.1343.

TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.44 (UV).



### *N*-(Pyridin-2-yl)-*N*-phenylbenzamide<sup>7</sup> (3bc, Table 2):

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (48.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.286 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-phenylbenzamide (**1b**, 51.1 mg, 0.260 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (26.8  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.312 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, pyridine *N*-oxide (49.5 mg, 0.520 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel ( $20 \rightarrow 50\%$  ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3bc**<sup>7</sup> (28.4 mg, 40%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.40 (d, 1H,  $J = 4.5$  Hz), 7.65 (dt, 1H,  $J = 7.5, 2.0$  Hz), 7.49 (d, 2H,  $J = 6.0$  Hz), 7.36–7.29 (m, 3H), 7.28–7.20 (m, 4H), 7.18 (d, 2H,  $J = 7.5$  Hz), 7.12–7.08 (m, 1H).

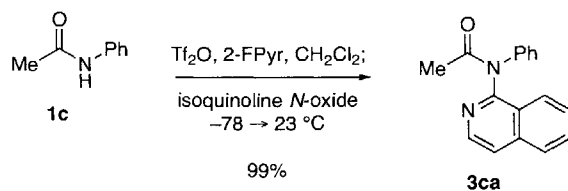
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 171.2, 156.6, 149.3, 142.9, 137.9, 136.2, 130.6, 129.4, 129.3, 128.2, 127.9, 127.0, 122.0, 121.5.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3060 (w), 1660 (s), 1582 (s), 1435 (m), 1348 (m).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 275.1179, found: 275.1185.

TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.24 (UV).

<sup>7</sup> Abramovitch, R. A.; Singer, G. M. *J. Org. Chem.* **1974**, *39*, 1795.



**N-(Isoquinolin-1-yl)-N-phenylacetamide (3ca, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (54.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.321 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-phenylacetamide (**1c**, 39.5 mg, 0.292 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (30.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.351 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, isoquinoline *N*-oxide (84.8 mg, 0.584 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (30  $\rightarrow$  50% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3ca** (73.6 mg, 96%).

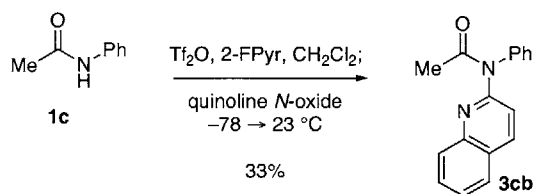
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $(\text{D}_3\text{C})_2\text{SO}$ ,  $80$   $^\circ\text{C}$ ) 8.47 (d, 1H,  $J = 5.7$  Hz), 8.18 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.4$  Hz), 8.05 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.3$  Hz), 7.89 (d, 1H,  $J = 5.7$  Hz), 7.84–7.79 (m, 1H), 7.74–7.70 (m, 1H), 7.46 (d, 2H,  $J = 7.8$  Hz), 7.39–7.34 (m, 2H), 7.26–7.22 (m, 1H), 1.98 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $(\text{D}_3\text{C})_2\text{SO}$ ,  $100$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 169.4, 153.4, 141.3, 141.0, 137.6, 130.3, 128.4, 128.1, 126.6, 126.2, 126.1, 124.6, 124.3, 120.9, 22.4.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3059 (m), 2932 (w), 1680 (s), 1495 (s), 1370 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 263.1179, found: 263.1172.

TLC (50% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.24 (UV).



**N-(Quinolin-2-yl)-N-phenylacetamide (3cb, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (57.7  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.343 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-phenylacetamide (**1c**, 42.1 mg, 0.311 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (32.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.374 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.75 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, quinoline *N*-oxide (90.4 mg, 0.623 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (20  $\rightarrow$  30% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3cb** (26.7 mg, 33%).

$^1\text{H NMR}$  (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.13 (d, 1H, 8.7 Hz), 7.98 (d, 1H, 8.4 Hz), 7.80 (d, 1H,  $J = 7.8 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.73–7.65 (m, 1H), 7.56–7.50 (m, 1H), 7.46–7.29 (m, 6H), 2.27 (s, 3H).

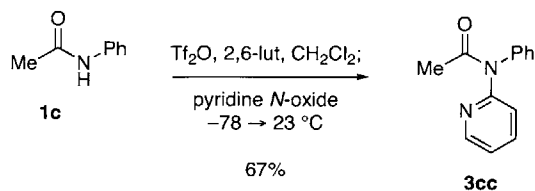
$^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 171.6, 154.6, 147.1, 141.9, 138.2, 130.0, 129.6, 129.1, 128.6, 127.7, 127.5, 126.8, 126.7, 119.7, 24.7.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3062 (m), 2927 (w), 1682 (s), 1593 (s), 1501 (s), 1292 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 263.1179, found: 263.1168.

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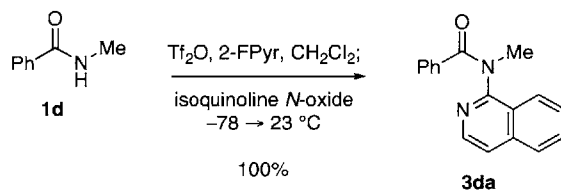


**N-(Pyridin-2-yl)-N-phenylacetamide<sup>8</sup> (3cc, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (48.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.287 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-phenylacetamide (**1c**, 35.3 mg, 0.261 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2,6-lutidine (36.5  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.313 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.75 mL) at  $-78$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, pyridine *N*-oxide (49.7 mg, 0.522 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel ( $0 \rightarrow 50\%$  ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3cc**<sup>8</sup> (42.1 mg, 67%).

<sup>1</sup> H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 $^\circ\text{C}$ ) $\delta$ :	8.44 (d, 1H, $J = 5.0$ Hz), 7.75–7.70 (m, 1H), 7.48 (d, 1H, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 7.45–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.35 (d, 1H, $J = 7.5$ Hz), 7.32–7.29 (m, 2H), 7.16–7.12 (m, 1H), 2.12 (s, 3H).
<sup>13</sup> C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 $^\circ\text{C}$ ) $\delta$ :	171.2, 155.4, 149.0, 142.2, 138.1, 129.7, 128.6, 127.8, 121.7, 121.4, 24.5.
FTIR (neat) $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :	3058 (w), 2920 (w), 1678 (s), 1585 (s), 1433 (s).
HRMS (ESI):	calc'd for C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>13</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O [M+H] <sup>+</sup> : 213.1022, found: 213.1023.
TLC (70% EtOAc in hexanes), $R_f$ :	0.35 (UV).

<sup>8</sup> Manley, P. J.; Bilodeau, M. T. *Org. Lett.* **2002**, *4*, 3127.



**N-(Isoquinolin-1-yl)-N-methylbenzamide (3da, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (55.7  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.331 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-methylbenzamide (**1d**, 40.7 mg, 0.301 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (31.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.361 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, isoquinoline *N*-oxide (87.4 mg, 0.602 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (30  $\rightarrow$  50% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3da** (79.0 mg, 100%).

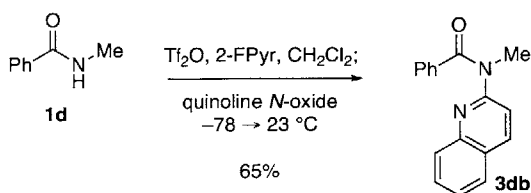
$^1\text{H NMR}$  (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.31 (d, 1H,  $J = 5.5 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.99 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.5 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.78 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.5 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.65–7.50 (m, 3H), 7.40–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.15–6.90 (m, 3H), 3.63 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 171.8, 155.9, 141.5, 138.2, 136.2, 130.8, 130.0, 128.4, 128.1, 127.8, 127.3, 125.0, 124.5, 121.0, 37.2.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3058 (m), 2936 (w), 1651 (s), 1560 (s), 1363 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 263.1179, found: 263.1179.

TLC (50% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.33 (UV).



**N-(Quinolin-2-yl)-N-methylbenzamide (3db, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (41.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.249 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-methylbenzamide (**1d**, 30.6 mg, 0.226 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (23.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.272 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (2.0 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, quinoline *N*-oxide (65.7 mg, 0.453 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (10  $\rightarrow$  30% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3db** (38.4 mg, 65%).

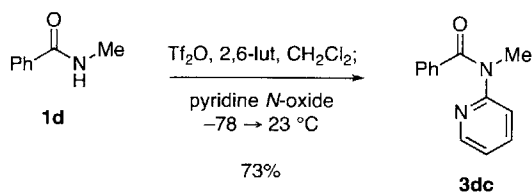
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 7.97 (d, 1H,  $J = 9.0 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.84 (d, 1H,  $J = 9.0 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.73–7.69 (m, 2H), 7.52–7.48 (m, 1H), 7.45–7.42 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.31 (m, 1H), 7.25–7.21 (m, 2H), 6.91 (d, 1H,  $J = 9.0 \text{ Hz}$ ), 3.74 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 171.6, 156.0, 147.1, 137.1, 136.3, 130.7, 130.2, 128.9, 128.7, 128.4, 127.6, 126.5, 126.0, 120.3, 36.4.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3050 (m), 2918 (m), 1652 (s), 1595 (s), 1502 (m).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 263.1179, found: 263.1182.

TLC (70% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.71 (UV).



**N-(Pyridin-2-yl)-N-methylbenzamide<sup>8</sup> (3dc, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (48.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.286 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-methylbenzamide (**1d**, 35.1 mg, 0.260 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2,6-lutidine (36.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.312 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, pyridine *N*-oxide (49.4 mg, 0.519 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel ( $0 \rightarrow 50\%$  ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3dc<sup>8</sup>** (40.4 mg, 73%).

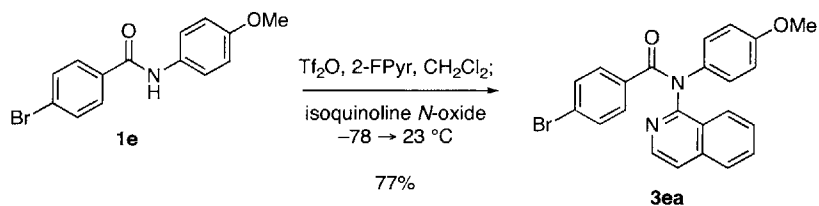
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.46–8.44 (m, 1H), 7.46–7.42 (m, 1H), 7.36–7.29 (m, 3H), 7.25–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.06–7.02 (m, 1H), 6.81 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.0$  Hz), 3.60 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 171.2, 156.9, 148.9, 137.5, 136.2, 130.3, 128.7, 128.2, 121.8, 121.1, 36.2.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3058 (w), 2931 (w), 1651 (s), 1587 (s), 1359 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{13}\text{N}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 213.1022, found: 213.1022.

TLC (70% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.45 (UV).



#### **4-Bromo-*N*-(isoquinolin-1-yl)-*N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)benzamide (3ea, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (32.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.190 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of 4-bromo-*N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)benzamide<sup>9</sup> (**1e**, 52.9 mg, 0.173 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (17.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.208 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, isoquinoline *N*-oxide (50.2 mg, 0.346 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel ( $10 \rightarrow 50\%$  ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3ea** (57.7 mg, 77%).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.34 (d, 1H,  $J = 4.8$  Hz), 8.15 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 7.85 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 7.72–7.56 (m, 3H), 7.46–7.24 (m, 4H), 7.20 (d, 2H,  $J = 7.8$  Hz), 6.83 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.7$  Hz), 3.76 (s, 3H).

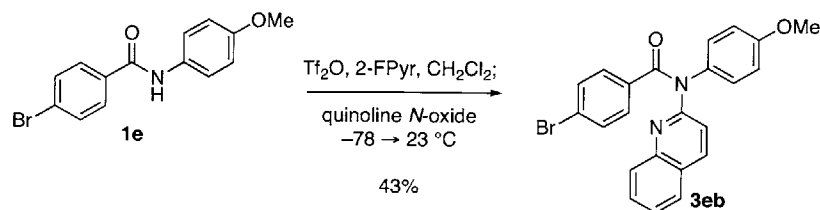
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $(\text{D}_3\text{C})_2\text{SO}$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 169.3, 157.4, 153.7, 140.8, 137.5, 135.0, 134.8, 130.4, 130.2, 129.5, 128.0, 127.5, 126.6, 124.2, 124.2, 123.2, 120.5, 114.0, 54.9.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3057 (m), 2933 (w), 1660 (s), 1509 (s), 1248 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{18}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 433.0546, found: 433.0545.

TLC (50% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.45 (UV).

<sup>9</sup> Yang, K.; He, X.; Ha-soon, C.; Wang, Z.; Woodmansee, D. H.; Liu, H. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **2008**, *49*, 1725.



#### **4-Bromo-*N*-(quinolin-2-yl)-*N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)benzamide (3eb, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (30.8  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.183 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of 4-bromo-*N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)benzamide<sup>9</sup> (**1e**, 51.0 mg, 0.167 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (17.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.200 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, quinoline *N*-oxide (48.3 mg, 0.333 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (5  $\rightarrow$  30% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3eb** (30.7 mg, 43%).

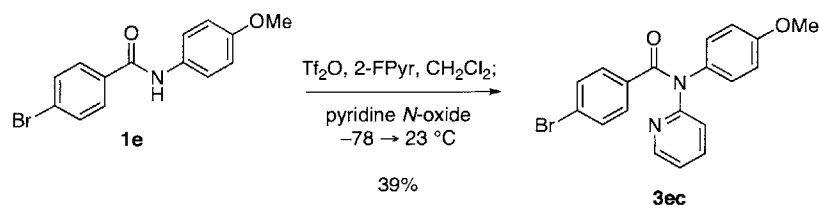
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.08 (d, 1H,  $J = \text{Hz}$ ), 7.78–7.72 (m, 1H), 7.65–7.58 (m, 1H), 7.54–7.46 (m, 1H), 7.42–7.25 (m, 6H), 7.18–7.12 (m, 2H), 6.95–6.83 (m, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 170.7, 158.6, 155.3, 147.1, 138.3, 135.4, 135.1, 131.4, 130.8, 130.1, 129.2, 129.0, 127.5, 126.7, 126.5, 125.0, 119.5, 114.8, 55.6.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3062 (w), 2956 (w), 1663 (s), 1509 (s), 1247 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{18}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 433.0546, found: 433.0546.

TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.39 (UV).



### **4-Bromo-*N*-(pyridin-2-yl)-*N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)benzamide (3ec, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (37.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.222 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of 4-bromo-*N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)benzamide<sup>9</sup> (**1e**, 61.8 mg, 0.202 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (20.8  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.242 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, pyridine *N*-oxide (38.4 mg, 0.404 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel ( $20 \rightarrow 30\%$  ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3ec** (29.9 mg, 39%).

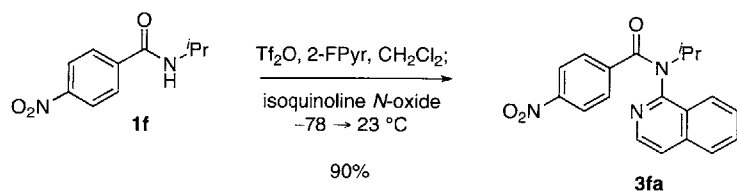
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.39 (dd, 1H,  $J = 4.8, 1.5$  Hz), 7.67 (dt, 1H,  $J = 8.1, 2.1$  Hz), 7.40–7.32 (m, 4H), 7.24 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.1$  Hz), 7.14–7.07 (m, 3H), 6.85 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.7$  Hz), 3.79 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 170.2, 158.5, 156.4, 149.2, 138.0, 135.3, 135.2, 131.4, 130.8, 129.1, 125.0, 121.5, 121.5, 114.8, 55.6.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3055 (m), 2933 (m), 1662 (s), 1509 (s), 1247 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{16}\text{BrN}_2\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 383.0390, found: 383.0391.

TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.14 (UV).



**N-(Isoquinolin-1-yl)-N-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide (3fa, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (44.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.263 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide<sup>10</sup> (**1f**, 49.7 mg, 0.239 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (24.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.286 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, isoquinoline *N*-oxide (69.2 mg, 0.477 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (10  $\rightarrow$  20% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3fa** (72.0 mg, 90%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.43 (d, 1H,  $J = 5.5 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.92 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.5 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.78 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.5 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.72 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.0 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.63–7.54 (m, 3H), 7.39 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.5 \text{ Hz}$ ), 5.15–5.05 (m, 1H), 1.65 (d, 3H,  $J = 6.5 \text{ Hz}$ ), 1.14 (d, 3H,  $J = 6.5 \text{ Hz}$ ).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 168.8, 152.9, 147.9, 143.5, 141.5, 138.1, 131.0, 128.9, 128.6, 127.4, 127.2, 124.6, 122.8, 121.7, 50.9, 22.2, 19.7.

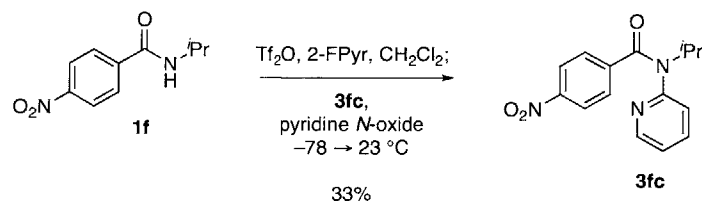
FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3057 (w), 2977 (m), 1651 (s), 1523 (s), 1346 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 336.1343, found: 336.1353.

TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.30 (UV).

<sup>10</sup> Van den Hoven, B. G.; Alper, H. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2001**, *123*, 10214.





**N-(Pyridin-2-yl)-N-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide (3fc, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (45.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.268 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide<sup>10</sup> (**1f**, 50.7 mg, 0.244 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (25.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.292 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, pyridine *N*-oxide (46.3 mg, 0.487 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel ( $0 \rightarrow 20\%$  ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3fc** (51.6 mg, 74%).

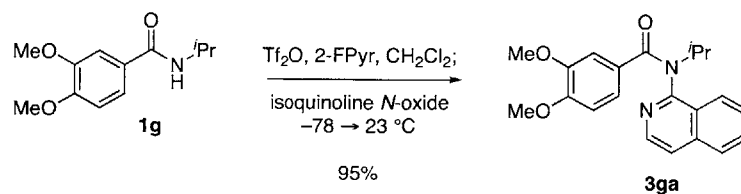
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.47–8.43 (m, 1H), 8.01 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.4 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.56–7.48 (m, 1H), 7.43 (d, 2H,  $J = 8.4 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.16–7.10 (m, 1H), 6.86 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.1 \text{ Hz}$ ), 5.12–4.98 (m, 1H), 1.34 (d, 6H,  $J = 6.9 \text{ Hz}$ ).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 168.3, 153.7, 149.5, 148.0, 143.5, 138.0, 129.3, 124.8, 123.2, 122.9, 49.3, 21.1.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3075 (w), 2976 (m), 1651 (s), 1522 (s), 1346 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 286.1186, found: 286.1182.

TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.21 (UV).



**N-(Isoquinolin-1-yl)-N-isopropyl-3,4-dimethoxybenzamide (3ga, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (41.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.249 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-isopropyl-3,4-dimethoxybenzamide<sup>11</sup> (**1g**, 50.5 mg, 0.226 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (23.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.271 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at 0  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 7 min, isoquinoline *N*-oxide (65.7 mg, 0.452 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (2  $\times$  5 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (50% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3ga** (75.3 mg, 95%).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.45 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 5.5 Hz), 7.93 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz), 7.72 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.0 Hz), 7.59–7.53 (m, 2H), 7.51–7.46 (m, 1H), 6.91 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz), 6.79 (s, 1H), 6.43 (d, 1H,  $J$  = 8.5 Hz), 5.19–5.07 (m, 1H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 3.56 (s, 3H), 1.63 (br s, 3H), 1.13 (br s, 3H).

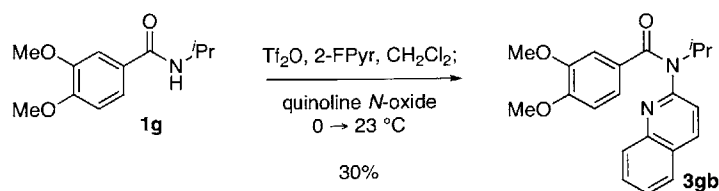
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 170.5, 154.6, 150.0, 147.7, 141.3, 138.1, 130.6, 130.0, 128.1, 127.5, 127.1, 125.3, 122.1, 121.1, 111.6, 109.9, 55.8, 55.8, 50.8, 22.5, 19.8.

FTIR (neat) cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3057 (w), 2971 (m), 2934 (m), 1640 (s), 1516 (s), 1264 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 351.1703, found: 351.1703.

TLC (70% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.46 (UV).

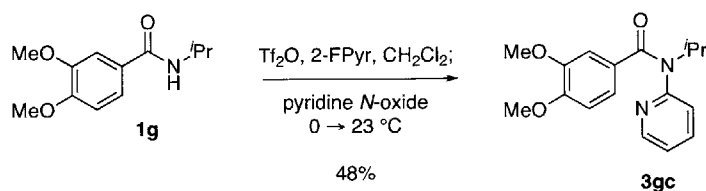
<sup>11</sup> Aljundi, F.; Hannig, E.; Boehm, R. *Pharmazie* **1973**, *28*, 362.



**N-(Quinolin-2-yl)-N-isopropyl-3,4-dimethoxybenzamide (3gb, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (40.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.241 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-isopropyl-3,4-dimethoxybenzamide<sup>11</sup> (**1g**, 49.0 mg, 0.219 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (22.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.263 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at 0  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 7 min, quinoline *N*-oxide (63.7 mg, 0.439 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (2  $\times$  5 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (20  $\rightarrow$  50% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3gb** (23.1 mg, 30%).

$^1\text{H}$ NMR (300 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20 $^\circ\text{C}$ ) $\delta$ :	8.03 (d, 1H, $J = 9.0$ Hz), 7.85 (d, 1H, $J = 8.7$ Hz), 7.76–7.68 (m, 2H), 7.52 (dt, 1H, $J = 6.9, 1.2$ Hz), 6.98–6.89 (m, 2H), 6.80 (d, 1H, $J = 8.7$ Hz), 6.54 (d, 1H, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 5.25–5.15 (m, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.56 (s, 3H), 1.43 (d, 6H, $J = 6.9$ Hz).
$^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (125 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20 $^\circ\text{C}$ ) $\delta$ :	170.0, 155.2, 150.4, 148.2, 147.2, 137.2, 130.1, 129.6, 129.2, 127.5, 126.8, 126.3, 123.2, 122.8, 112.2, 110.1, 55.9, 55.8, 50.2, 21.3.
FTIR (neat) $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :	3063 (w), 2969 (m), 2934 (m), 1647 (s), 1594 (s), 1264 (s).
HRMS (ESI):	calc'd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 351.1703, found: 351.1702.
TLC (70% EtOAc in hexanes), $R_f$ :	0.52 (UV).



**N-(Pyridin-2-yl)-N-isopropyl-3,4-dimethoxybenzamide (3gc, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (40.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.243 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-isopropyl-3,4-dimethoxybenzamide<sup>11</sup> (**1g**, 49.3 mg, 0.221 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (22.8  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.265 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at 0  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 7 min, pyridine *N*-oxide (42.0 mg, 0.442 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (30  $\rightarrow$  40% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3gc** (31.8 mg, 48%).

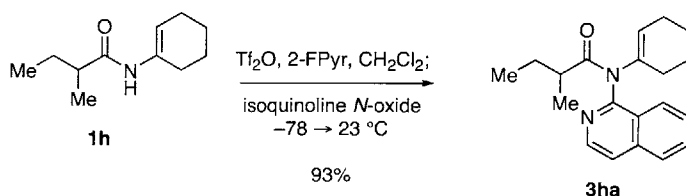
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.54–8.47 (m, 1H), 7.51–7.44 (m, 1H), 7.13–7.07 (m, 1H), 6.91–6.83 (m, 2H), 6.75 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.4$  Hz), 6.61 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.7$  Hz), 5.13–5.00 (m, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 1.34 (d, 6H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 170.0, 155.7, 150.3, 149.0, 148.2, 137.7, 129.6, 125.2, 122.5, 121.9, 112.1, 110.1, 56.0, 55.9, 49.5, 21.2.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 2970 (m), 2934 (m), 1643 (s), 1585 (s), 1270 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{21}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 301.1547, found: 301.1534.

TLC (70% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.27 (UV).



**N-Cyclohexenyl-N-(isoquinolin-1-yl)-2-methylbutanamide (3ha, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (50.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.298 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of ( $\pm$ )-*N*-cyclohexenyl-2-methylbutanamide<sup>12</sup> (**1h**, 49.1 mg, 0.271 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (27.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.325 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, isoquinoline *N*-oxide (78.7 mg, 0.542 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (10  $\rightarrow$  50% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3ha** (77.7 mg, 93%).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $(\text{D}_3\text{C})_2\text{SO}$ ,  $100$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.40 (d, 1H,  $J = 5.7$  Hz), 8.06–7.96 (m, 2H), 7.85–7.76 (m, 2H), 7.74–7.67 (m, 1H), 5.67 (br s, 1H), 2.99 (br s, 1H), 2.51–2.20 (m, 3H), 2.12–1.83 (m, 2H), 1.75–1.25 (m, 5H), 1.06 (d, 3H,  $J = 6.4$  Hz), 0.83 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.3$  Hz).

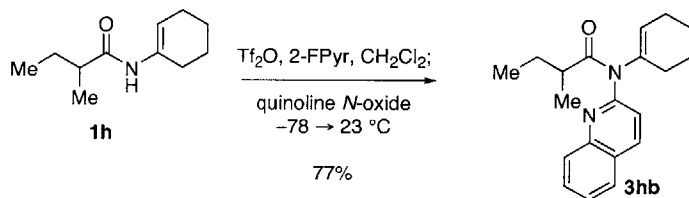
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $(\text{D}_3\text{C})_2\text{SO}$ ,  $100$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 175.7, 153.4, 140.8, 139.0, 137.3, 130.1, 128.7, 127.7, 126.6, 124.8, 124.2, 120.4, 27.9, 26.4, 24.8, 23.8, 22.0, 20.7, 17.0, 11.0.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3055 (w), 2964 (s), 1673 (s), 1461 (m), 1384 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 309.1961, found: 309.1949.

TLC (50% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.61 (UV).

<sup>12</sup> Movassaghi, M.; Hill, M. D.; Ahmad, O. K. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2007**, *129*, 10096.



***N*-Cyclohexenyl-2-methyl-*N*-(quinolin-2-yl)butanamide (3hb, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (51.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.305 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-cyclohexenyl-2-methylbutanamide<sup>12</sup> (**1h**, 50.2 mg, 0.277 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (28.5  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.332 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, quinoline *N*-oxide (80.4 mg, 0.554 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel ( $5 \rightarrow 30\%$  ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3hb** as an equal mixture of atropisomers (65.7 mg, 77%).

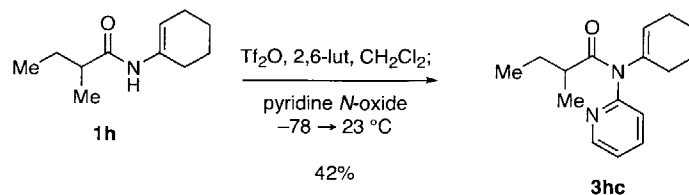
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , equal mixture of atropisomers)  $\delta$ : 8.70 (d, 1H,  $J = 2.7 \text{ Hz}$ ), 8.12–8.03 (m, 2H), 7.98–7.93 (m, 1H), 7.85–7.81 (m, 1H), 7.80–7.74 (m, 2H), 7.70–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.54–7.45 (m, 3H), 5.78–5.73 (m, 1H), 4.85–4.80 (m, 1H), 2.97–2.73 (m, 2H), 2.37–2.26 (m, 2H), 2.23–2.14 (m, 2H), 2.09–2.00 (m, 2H), 1.97–1.40 (m, 14H), 1.33 (d, 3H,  $J = 6.9 \text{ Hz}$ ), 1.22 (d, 3H,  $J = 6.9 \text{ Hz}$ ), 1.03 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.5 \text{ Hz}$ ), 0.92 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.5 \text{ Hz}$ ).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , equal mixture of atropisomers)  $\delta$ : 178.5, 164.8, 154.3, 147.4, 147.1, 146.9, 145.5, 142.7, 139.7, 137.6, 129.7, 129.2, 129.0, 128.7, 128.5, 127.7, 127.6, 127.4, 127.0, 126.5, 126.2, 126.0, 119.3, 108.4, 40.4, 35.8, 29.2, 29.1, 28.1, 27.2, 25.1, 24.3, 23.0, 22.8, 22.4, 21.8, 19.1, 18.3, 12.7, 12.4.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3060 (w), 2963 (s), 1683 (s), 1597 (s), 1502 (s), 1225 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 309.1961, found: 309.1961.

TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.67 (UV).



***N*-Cyclohexenyl-2-methyl-*N*-(pyridin-2-yl)butanamide (3hc, Table 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (46.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.274 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-cyclohexenyl-2-methylbutanamide<sup>12</sup> (**1h**, 45.1 mg, 0.249 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2,6-lutidine (34.8  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.299 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.75 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, pyridine *N*-oxide (47.3 mg, 0.498 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel ( $0 \rightarrow 30\%$  ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3hc** (27.3 mg, 42%).

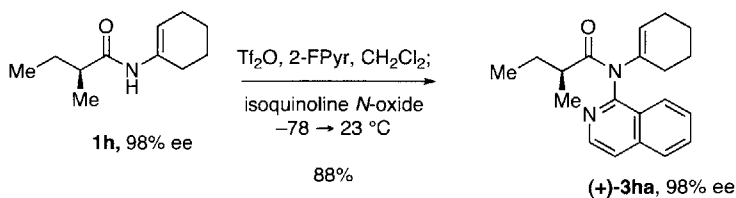
$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.47–8.43 (m, 1H), 7.71–7.65 (m, 1H), 7.42 (d, 1H,  $J = 7.3 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.14–7.09 (m, 1H), 5.77 (br s, 1H), 2.71 (br s, 1H), 2.19 (br s, 4H), 1.84–1.58 (m, 5H), 1.48–1.38 (m, 1H), 1.17 (d, 3H,  $J = 6.7 \text{ Hz}$ ), 0.92 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.4 \text{ Hz}$ ).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 177.8, 154.8, 148.9, 139.4, 137.7, 127.5, 121.3, 121.1, 40.0, 29.1, 28.1, 25.1, 23.0, 21.8, 18.4, 12.4.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 2933 (m), 2875 (w), 1667 (s), 1586 (s), 1432 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 259.1805, found: 259.1812.

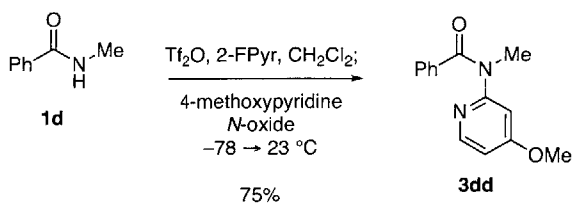
TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.25 (UV).



**(S)-(+)-N-Cyclohexenyl-N-(isoquinolin-1-yl)-2-methylbutanamide ((+)-3ha, Equation 1):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (44.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.262 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of (*S*)-*N*-cyclohexenyl-2-methylbutanamide<sup>12</sup> (**1h**, 43.2 mg, 0.238 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (24.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.286 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, isoquinoline *N*-oxide (69.2 mg, 0.477 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (10  $\rightarrow$  50% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide (+)-**3ha** (77.7 mg, 93%). The enantiomeric excess of the product amide was determined to be 98% by chiral HPLC analysis [Whelk-O (*R,R*); 0.5 mL/min; 3% <sup>i</sup>PrOH in hexanes;  $t_R$  (minor) = 69.3 min,  $t_R$  (major) = 74.5 min]. The enantiomeric excess of the starting material amide was determined to be 98% by chiral HPLC analysis [Whelk-O (*S,S*); 0.8 mL/min; 3% <sup>i</sup>PrOH in hexanes;  $t_R$  (major) = 37.7 min,  $t_R$  (minor) = 42.3 min]. (*S*)-(+)-**3ha**:  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +98.3$  ( $c$  0.480,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ). See page 47 for complete characterization data for amide **3ha**.





**N-(4-Methoxypyridin-2-yl)-N-methylbenzamide (3dd, Equation 2):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (46.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.273 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-methylbenzamide (**1d**, 33.6 mg, 0.249 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (25.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.298 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, 4-methoxypyridine *N*-oxide (62.2 mg, 0.497 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (10  $\rightarrow$  20% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3dd** (44.9 mg, 75%).

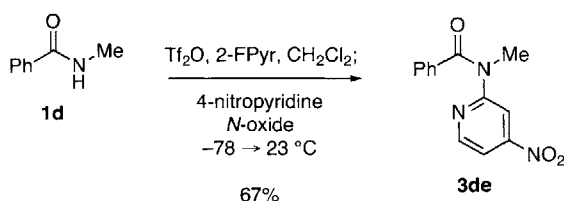
$^1\text{H NMR}$  (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.22 (d, 1H,  $J = 6.0 \text{ Hz}$ ), 7.38–7.28 (m, 3H), 7.26–7.20 (m, 2H), 6.57 (dd, 1H,  $J = 6.0, 2.5 \text{ Hz}$ ), 6.28 (d, 1H,  $J = 2.5 \text{ Hz}$ ), 3.56 (s, 3H), 3.55 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 171.2, 166.6, 158.4, 149.6, 136.3, 130.3, 128.5, 128.2, 108.4, 107.3, 55.4, 36.1.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3061 (w), 2941 (w), 1652 (s), 1595 (s), 1362 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 243.1128, found: 243.1133.

TLC (50% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.28 (UV).



**N-(4-Nitropyridin-2-yl)-N-methylbenzamide (3de, Equation 3):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (44.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.262 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-methylbenzamide (**1d**, 32.2 mg, 0.238 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (24.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.286 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, 4-nitropyridine *N*-oxide (66.7 mg, 0.476 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the resulting mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure.<sup>13</sup> The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (10  $\rightarrow$  30% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3de** (40.8 mg, 67%).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 8.66 (d, 1H,  $J = 5.0$  Hz), 7.93 (d, 1H,  $J = 1.5$  Hz), 7.75–7.71 (m, 1H), 7.46–7.40 (m, 3H), 7.38–7.33 (m, 2H), 3.62 (s, 3H).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ )  $\delta$ : 171.9, 158.3, 154.5, 150.3, 135.6, 131.2, 128.8, 128.3, 113.2, 112.7, 36.6.

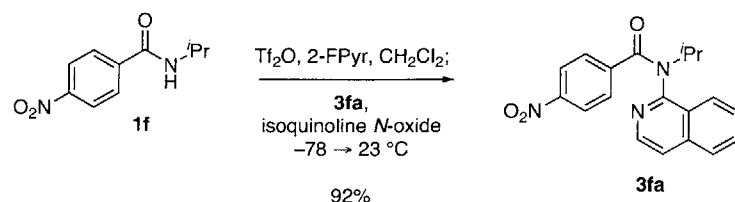
FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3090 (w), 2923 (w), 1663 (s), 1534 (s), 1356 (s).

HRMS (ESI): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 258.0873, found: 258.0883.

TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.38 (UV).

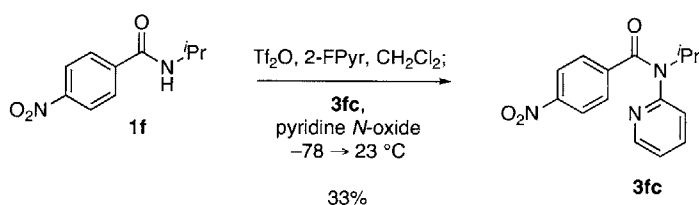
<sup>13</sup> In the case of amide **3de**, aqueous work-up resulted in a decreased isolated yield (60%).

## Product Inhibition Studies:



### *N*-(Isoquinolin-1-yl)-*N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide:

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (22.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.134 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide<sup>10</sup> (**1f**, 25.4 mg, 0.122 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (12.5  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.146 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (0.75 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was warmed to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 minutes, a solution of amide **3fa** (38.2 mg, 0.114 mmol, 1.00 equiv) in dichloromethane (0.75 mL) was added via cannula followed by addition of isoquinoline *N*-oxide (35.4 mg, 0.244 mmol, 2.00 equiv) as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (10  $\rightarrow$  20% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3fa** (75.7 mg). This corresponded to 37.5 mg (92%) of newly formed amide **3fa**. See page 42 for complete characterization data for amide **3fa**.

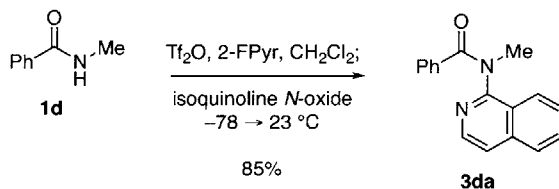


### *N*-(Pyridin-2-yl)-*N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide:

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (33.5  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.199 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide<sup>10</sup> (**1f**, 37.7 mg, 0.181 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (18.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.217 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (0.75 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was warmed to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 minutes, a solution of amide **3fc** (51.6 mg, 0.181 mmol, 1.00 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.0 mL) was added via cannula followed by addition of pyridine *N*-oxide (34.4 mg, 0.362 mmol, 2.00 equiv) as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (15  $\rightarrow$  20% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3fc** (68.8 mg). This corresponded to 17.2 mg (33%) of newly formed amide **3fc**. See page 43 for complete characterization data for amide **3fc**.

### React-IR Monitoring of Reactions:

All reactions were performed in a reaction vessel under an atmosphere of argon with the React-IR probe completely submerged in the reaction mixture.



### In situ IR Analysis of the Conversion of Amide **1d** to Amide **3da**:

In situ IR monitoring of the addition of trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (70.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.416 mmol, 1.1 equiv) via syringe to a solution of *N*-methylbenzamide (**1d**, 51.1 mg, 0.378 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (39.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.454 mmol, 1.2 equiv) in dichloromethane (4.5 mL) at  $0^\circ\text{C}$  revealed within 1 min complete consumption of the starting material amide ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) and appearance of a persistent absorption at  $2370\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , corresponding to an activated compound. After 5 min, isoquinoline *N*-oxide (109.8 mg, 0.756 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid, resulting in immediate consumption of the activated compound and appearance of a persistent absorption at  $1691\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , corresponding to a protonated amide **3da**. After 3 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 5\text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (30  $\rightarrow$  50% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3da** (84.3 mg, 85%).

## React-IR Control Experiments:

### Assignment of the 2-fluoropyridine and the 2-fluoropyridinium trifluoromethanesulfonate characteristic stretches:

In situ IR monitoring of the addition of trifluoromethanesulfonic acid (26.8  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.303 mmol, 1.00 equiv) to a solution of 2-fluoropyridine (26.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.303 mmol, 1 equiv, 1598  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) in dichloromethane (3.5 mL) at 0  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  resulted in formation of the expected 2-fluoropyridinium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt (1632  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ).

### Assignment of the isoquinoline N-oxide and N-hydroxyisoquinolium trifluoromethanesulfonate characteristic stretches:

In situ IR monitoring of the addition of trifluoromethanesulfonic acid (36.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.409 mmol, 1.00 equiv) to a solution of isoquinoline N-oxide (59.3 mg, 0.409 mmol, 1 equiv, 1327  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) in dichloromethane (3.5 mL) at 0  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  resulted in formation of the expected N-hydroxyisoquinolium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt (1309  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ).

### Assignment of Protonated, Trifluoromethanesulfonate Salt Derivatives of N-(isoquinolin-1-yl)-N-methylbenzamide **3da**:

In situ IR monitoring of the addition of trifluoromethanesulfonic acid (28.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.317 mmol, 1.00 equiv) to a solution of N-(isoquinolin-1-yl)-N-methylbenzamide (**3da**, 83.1 mg, 0.317 mmol, 1 equiv, 1648  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) in dichloromethane (3.5 mL) at 0  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  resulted in consumption of the amide **3da** and formation of the expected trifluoromethanesulfonate salt (1649  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ). Further addition of trifluoromethanesulfonic acid (28.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.317 mmol, 1.00 equiv) resulted in disappearance of the absorption at 1649  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  and appearance of a strong absorption at 1691  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , corresponding to the doubly protonated amide ditrifluoromethanesulfonate salt.

## **React-IR Monitoring of Activated Amides:**

### **Activation of *N*-methylbenzamide and addition of 2-fluoropyridine:**

In situ IR monitoring of the addition of trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (52.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.309 mmol, 1.10 equiv) to a vigorously stirred solution of *N*-methylbenzamide (38.0 mg, 0.281 mmol, 1 equiv,  $1668\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) in dichloromethane (2.5 mL) at 0 °C resulted in immediate consumption of the starting material and appearance of a strong absorption consistent with a nitrilium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt ( $2370\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). Addition of 2-fluoropyridine (29.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.337 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in a drastic increase in the intensity of this absorption. Further addition of 2-fluoropyridine (24.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.281 mmol, 1.00 equiv) had no significant effect on the intensity of this absorption. Subsequent addition of 2-fluoropyridine (67.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.787 mmol, 2.80 equiv) had no significant effect on the intensity of the absorption at  $2370\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Addition of triethylamine (47.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.337 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in a significant decrease in intensity of this absorption.

### **Activation of *N*-methylbenzamide and addition of 2-chloropyridine:**

In situ IR monitoring of the addition of trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (67.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.399 mmol, 1.10 equiv) to a vigorously stirred solution of *N*-methylbenzamide (49.0 mg, 0.363 mmol, 1 equiv,  $1668\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) in dichloromethane (2.5 mL) at 0 °C resulted in immediate consumption of the starting material and appearance of a strong absorption consistent with a nitrilium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt ( $2370\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). Addition of 2-chloropyridine (41.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.435 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in a drastic increase in the intensity of this absorption. Further addition of 2-chloropyridine (34.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.363 mmol, 1.00 equiv) had no significant effect on the intensity of this absorption. Subsequent addition of 2-chloropyridine (96.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 1.01 mmol, 2.80 equiv) had no significant effect on the intensity of the absorption at  $2370\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Addition of triethylamine (60.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.435 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in a significant decrease in intensity of this absorption.

### **Activation of *N*-phenylacetamide and addition of 2-fluoropyridine:**

In situ IR monitoring of the addition of trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (55.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.330 mmol, 1.10 equiv) to a vigorously stirred solution of *N*-phenylacetamide (40.6 mg, 0.300 mmol, 1 equiv,  $1695\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) in dichloromethane (2.5 mL) at 0 °C resulted in immediate consumption of the starting material but did not result in appearance of an absorption consistent with a nitrilium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt. Addition of 2-fluoropyridine (30.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.360 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in appearance of a strong absorption consistent with a nitrilium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt ( $2364\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). Further addition of 2-fluoropyridine (25.8  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.300 mmol, 1.00 equiv) had no significant effect on the intensity of this absorption. Subsequent addition of 2-fluoropyridine (72.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.841 mmol, 2.80 equiv) had no significant effect on the intensity of the absorption at  $2364\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Addition of triethylamine (50.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.360 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in a significant decrease in intensity of this absorption.

### **Activation of *N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide<sup>10</sup> and addition of 2-fluoropyridine:**

In situ IR monitoring of the addition of trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (66.7  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.396 mmol, 1.10 equiv) to a vigorously stirred solution of *N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide<sup>10</sup> (75.0 mg, 0.360 mmol, 1 equiv,  $1668\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) in dichloromethane (2.5 mL) at 0 °C resulted in immediate consumption of the starting material and appearance of a strong absorption consistent with a nitrilium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt ( $2354\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). Addition of 2-fluoropyridine (37.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.432 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in a drastic increase in the intensity of this absorption. Further addition of 2-fluoropyridine (30.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.360 mmol, 1.00 equiv) had no significant effect on the intensity of this absorption. Subsequent addition of 2-fluoropyridine (86.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 1.01 mmol, 2.80 equiv) had no

significant effect on the intensity of the absorption at  $2354\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Addition of triethylamine (60.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.432 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in a significant decrease in intensity of this absorption.

#### **Activation of *N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide<sup>10</sup> and addition of 2-chloropyridine:**

In situ IR monitoring of the addition of trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (66.7  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.396 mmol, 1.10 equiv) to a vigorously stirred solution of *N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide<sup>10</sup> (75.0 mg, 0.360 mmol, 1 equiv,  $1668\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) in dichloromethane (2.5 mL) at  $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  resulted in immediate consumption of the starting material and appearance of a strong absorption consistent with a nitrilium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt ( $2354\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). Addition of 2-chloropyridine (40.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.432 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in a drastic increase in the intensity of this absorption. Further addition of 2-chloropyridine (34.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.360 mmol, 1.00 equiv) resulted in a drastic decrease in the intensity of this absorption and the appearance of a strong absorption consistent with an amidinium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt ( $1609\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). Subsequent addition of 2-chloropyridine (95.5  $\mu\text{L}$ , 1.01 mmol, 2.80 equiv) resulted in a further decrease in the intensity of the absorption at  $2354\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and an increase in the intensity of the absorption at  $1609\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Addition of triethylamine (60.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.432 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in a further decrease in intensity of the absorption at  $2354\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and a drastic decrease in the absorption at  $1609\text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

#### **Activation of 3,4-dimethoxy-*N*-phenylbenzamide<sup>5</sup> and addition of 2-fluoropyridine:**

In situ IR monitoring of the addition of trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (36.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.214 mmol, 1.10 equiv) to a vigorously stirred solution of 3,4-dimethoxy-*N*-phenylbenzamide<sup>5</sup> (50.1 mg, 0.195 mmol, 1 equiv,  $1691\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) in dichloromethane (2.5 mL) at  $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  resulted in immediate consumption of the starting material and appearance of a very weak absorption consistent with a nitrilium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt ( $2312\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). Addition of 2-fluoropyridine (20.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.234 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in a drastic increase in the intensity of this absorption. Further addition of 2-fluoropyridine (16.8  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.195 mmol, 1.00 equiv) had no significant effect on the intensity of this absorption. Subsequent addition of 2-fluoropyridine (46.8  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.545 mmol, 2.80 equiv) resulted in a slight decrease in the intensity of the absorption at  $2312\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Addition of triethylamine (32.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.234 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in a drastic decrease in intensity of this absorption.

#### **Activation of 3,4-dimethoxy-*N*-phenylbenzamide<sup>5</sup> and addition of 2-chloropyridine:**

In situ IR monitoring of the addition of trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (44.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.265 mmol, 1.10 equiv) to a vigorously stirred solution of 3,4-dimethoxy-*N*-phenylbenzamide<sup>5</sup> (62.0 mg, 0.241 mmol, 1 equiv,  $1691\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) in dichloromethane (2.5 mL) at  $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  resulted in immediate consumption of the starting material and appearance of a very weak absorption consistent with a nitrilium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt ( $2312\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). Addition of 2-chloropyridine (27.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.289 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in a drastic increase in the intensity of this absorption and the appearance of a strong absorption consistent with an amidinium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt ( $1594\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). Further addition of 2-chloropyridine (22.8  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.241 mmol, 1.00 equiv) resulted in a significant decrease in the intensity of the absorption at  $2312\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and an increase in the intensity of the absorption at  $1594\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Subsequent addition of 2-chloropyridine (63.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.675 mmol, 2.80 equiv) resulted in disappearance of the absorption at  $2312\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and an increase in the intensity of the absorption at  $1594\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Addition of triethylamine (40.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.289 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in disappearance of the absorption at  $1594\text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

#### **Activation of *N*-phenylbenzamide and addition of 2-fluoropyridine:**

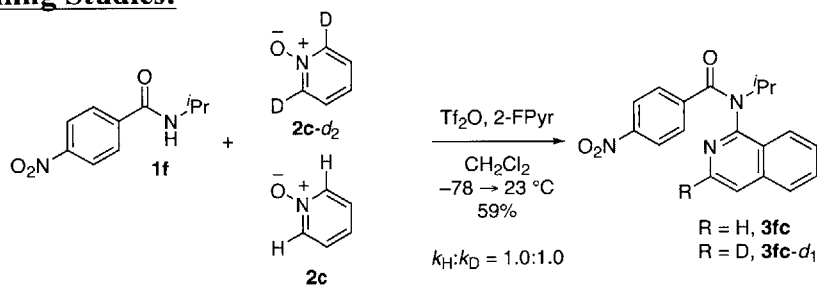
In situ IR monitoring of the addition of trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (44.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.262 mmol, 1.10 equiv) to a vigorously stirred solution of *N*-phenylbenzamide (47.0 mg, 0.238 mmol, 1

equiv, 1679  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) in dichloromethane (2.5 mL) at 0 °C resulted in immediate consumption of the starting material but did not result in appearance of an absorption consistent with a nitrilium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt. Addition of 2-fluoropyridine (24.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.286 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in appearance of a strong absorption consistent with an amidinium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt (1621  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ). Further addition of 2-fluoropyridine (20.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.238 mmol, 1.00 equiv) resulted in a slight increase in the intensity of this absorption. Subsequent addition of 2-fluoropyridine (57.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.667 mmol, 2.80 equiv) resulted in an additional slight increase in the intensity of the absorption at 1621  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Addition of triethylamine (39.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.286 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in a drastic decrease in intensity of this absorption.

#### **Activation of *N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)benzamide<sup>14</sup> and addition of 2-fluoropyridine:**

In situ IR monitoring of the addition of trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (41.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.247 mmol, 1.10 equiv) to a vigorously stirred solution of *N*-(4-methoxyphenyl)benzamide<sup>14</sup> (51.0 mg, 0.224 mmol, 1 equiv, 1513  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) in dichloromethane (2.5 mL) at 0 °C resulted in immediate consumption of the starting material but did not result in appearance of an absorption consistent with a nitrilium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt. Addition of 2-fluoropyridine (23.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.269 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in appearance of a strong absorption consistent with an amidinium trifluoromethanesulfonate salt (1621  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ). Further addition of 2-fluoropyridine (19.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.224 mmol, 1.00 equiv) resulted in a slight increase in the intensity of this absorption. Subsequent addition of 2-fluoropyridine (54.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.628 mmol, 2.80 equiv) resulted in an additional slight increase in the intensity of the absorption at 1621  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . Addition of triethylamine (37.5  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.269 mmol, 1.20 equiv) resulted in a drastic decrease in intensity of this absorption.

#### **Deuterium Labelling Studies:**



#### **Reaction of *N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide<sup>10</sup> with a mixture of pyridine *N*-oxide and 2,6-dideuteropyridine *N*-oxide:**

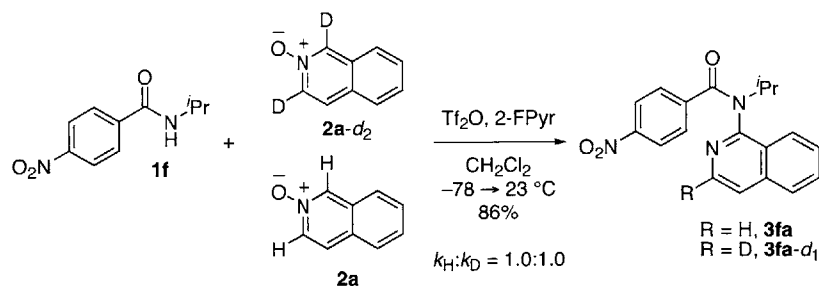
Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (45.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.268 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide<sup>10</sup> (**1f**, 50.7 mg, 0.244 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (25.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.292 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.0 mL) at  $-78$  °C. After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 0 °C. After 5 min, a solution of 2,6-dideuteropyridine *N*-oxide<sup>15</sup> (**2c-d<sub>2</sub>**, 105 mg, 1.08 mmol, 4.42 equiv) and pyridine *N*-oxide (**2c**, 110 mg, 1.15 mmol, 4.73 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.0 mL) was added via cannula. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to 23 °C. After 2 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (2  $\times$  5 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (15  $\rightarrow$

<sup>14</sup> Movassaghi, M.; Hill, M. D. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2006**, *128*, 14254.

<sup>15</sup> Pavlik, J. W.; Laohasurayotin, S. *J. Heterocyclic Chem.* **2007**, *44*, 1485.

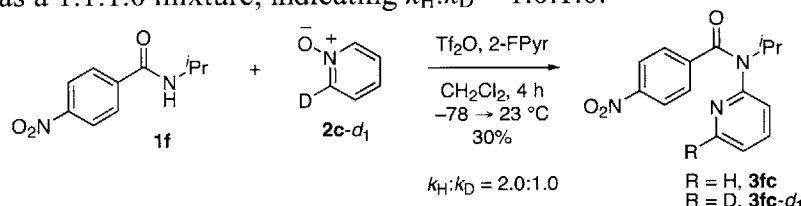


20% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3fc** (21.8 mg, 31%) and amide **3fc-d<sub>1</sub>** (19.4 mg, 28%) as a 1.1:1.0 mixture, indicating  $k_H:k_D = 1.0:1.0$  based on the ratio of the respective starting materials.



### **Reaction of *N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide<sup>10</sup> with a mixture of isoquinoline *N*-oxide and 1,3-dideuteroisoquinoline *N*-oxide (equation 5):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (24.9  $\mu$ L, 0.148 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide<sup>10</sup> (**1f**, 28.1 mg, 0.135 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (13.9  $\mu$ L, 0.162 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (0.8 mL) at 0 °C. After 7 min, a solution of 1,3-dideuteroisoquinoline *N*-oxide<sup>16,17</sup> (**2a-d<sub>2</sub>**, 100 mg, 0.68 mmol, 5.0 equiv) and isoquinoline *N*-oxide (**2a**, 98 mg, 0.68 mmol, 5.0 equiv) in dichloromethane (0.8 mL) was added via cannula. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to 23 °C. After 2 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu$ L) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (2  $\times$  5 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (0  $\rightarrow$  20% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3fa** (20.7 mg, 46%) and amide **3fa-d<sub>1</sub>** (18.3 mg, 40%) as a 1.1:1.0 mixture, indicating  $k_H:k_D = 1.0:1.0$ .



### **Reaction of *N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide<sup>10</sup> with 2-deuteropyridine *N*-oxide (Equation 6):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (24.7  $\mu$ L, 0.147 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-isopropyl-4-nitrobenzamide<sup>10</sup> (**1f**, 27.8 mg, 0.134 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-fluoropyridine (13.7  $\mu$ L, 0.160 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.0 mL) at 0 °C. After 7 min, a solution of 2-deuteropyridine *N*-oxide (**2c-d<sub>1</sub>**, 116 mg, 1.20 mmol, 9.00 equiv) in dichloromethane (0.7 mL) was added via cannula. After 5 min, the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to 23 °C. After 4 h, triethylamine (100  $\mu$ L) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the mixture was diluted by the addition of dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was washed with brine (10 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (2  $\times$  5 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (0  $\rightarrow$  50% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the amide **3fc** (3.81 mg, 10%) and amide **3fc-d<sub>1</sub>** (7.65 mg, 20%) as a 1.0:2.0 mixture, indicating  $k_H:k_D = 2.0:1.0$ .

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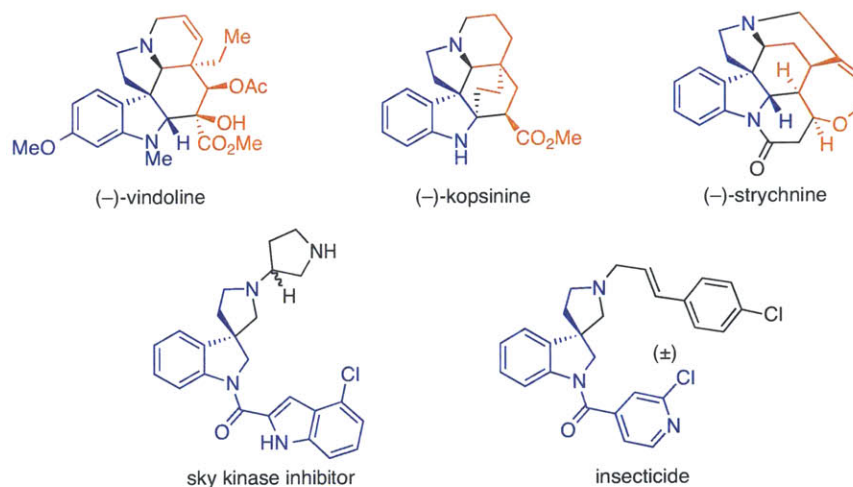
<sup>17</sup> The 1,3-dideuteroisoquinoline *N*-oxide employed contained 100% deuterium incorporation at the 1-position of the isoquinoline ring, and 91% deuterium incorporation at the 3-position by <sup>1</sup>H NMR. This incomplete isotopic enrichment was taken into account when calculating  $k_H:k_D$ .

## **Chapter II**

### **Synthesis of Spirocyclic Indolines by Interruption of the Bischler–Napieralski Reaction**

## Introduction and Background

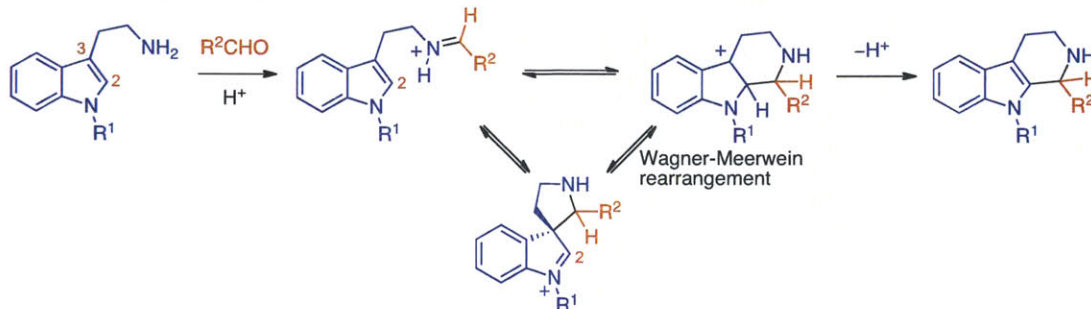
Spirocyclic pyrrolidinoindolines are a ubiquitous substructure in nature, representing the core of the *aspidosperma*, *kopsia*, and *strychnos* alkaloid families, and are prevalent also in pharmaceutically active compounds and other fine chemicals (Figure 1).<sup>1</sup> (-)-Vindoline<sup>2</sup> is a member of the *aspidosperma* alkaloid family with a complex pentacyclic core, while (-)-kopsinine<sup>3</sup> represents the *kopsia* alkaloids, a related family with a distinct cage substructure. (-)-Strychnine<sup>4</sup> is a potently poisonous glycine antagonist of the *strychnos* alkaloid family that blocks postsynaptic inhibition in the spinal cord.<sup>5</sup> The importance of the spiropyrrolidinoindoline structural motif has motivated the development of a number of elegant synthetic strategies in complex alkaloid synthesis.<sup>6</sup> Synthetic spiropyrrolidinoindolines display a range of useful properties and include insecticidal compounds<sup>1d</sup> and sky kinase inhibitors.<sup>1h</sup>



**Figure 1.** Representative spiropyrrolidinoindoline compounds.

A direct route to the valuable spiropyrrolidinoindoline substructure would involve intramolecular electrophilic trapping of an appropriate tryptamine derivative at C3. Such an approach finds plausibility in the Pictet–Spengler reaction,<sup>7</sup> a common reaction in the synthesis and biosynthesis of tetrahydro- $\beta$ -carboline from tryptamines. Numerous studies into the mechanism of this reaction,<sup>8</sup> most notably Bailey’s elegant isotope labelling study,<sup>8c</sup> have shown that the reaction proceeds by initial intramolecular electrophilic trapping of the 2*H*-indole nucleus at C3 by a pendant iminium ion to afford a spiroindoleninium intermediate (Scheme 1). Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement affords the C2-protonated tetrahydro- $\beta$ -carboline, which undergoes deprotonation to afford the tetrahydro- $\beta$ -carboline product. It is known, however, that the initial spirocyclization event is reversible, and it cannot be ruled out that the protonated

tetrahydro- $\beta$ -carboline is formed by eventual direct attack of C2 onto the iminium ion.<sup>9</sup> Furthermore, kinetic isotope studies<sup>8e</sup> in a biological setting have shown the final deprotonation event to be rate-limiting, suggesting that all three of the aforementioned intermediates may be in or near equilibrium during the reaction.

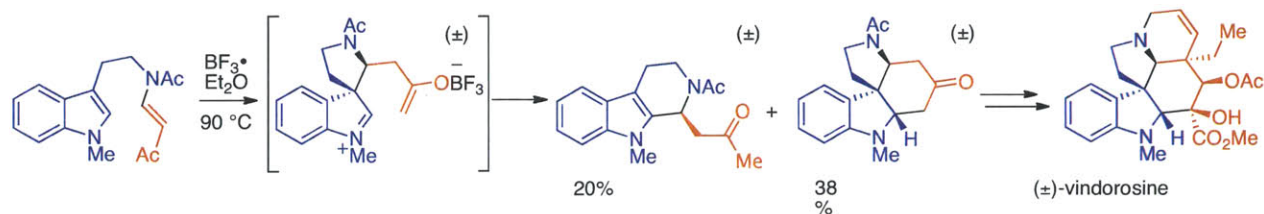


**Scheme 1.** Mechanism of the Pictet-Spengler reaction.

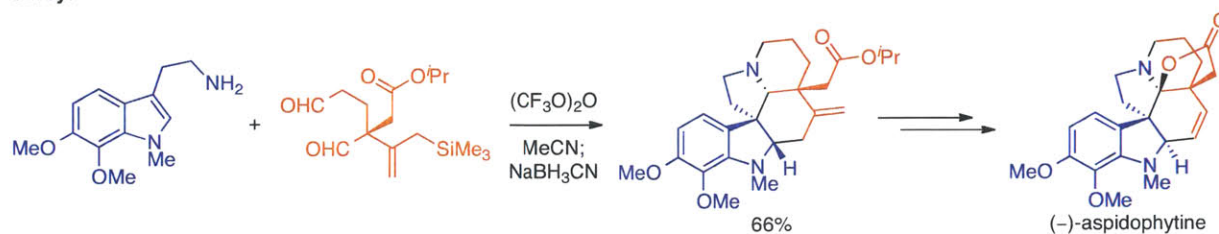
The presence of spiroindoleninium ions during the course of the Pictet–Spengler reaction suggests the feasibility of intercepting such intermediates en route to spiropyrrolidinoindoline products; however, the inherent tendency of such *2H*-indoleninium systems to undergo rapid Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement (Scheme 1) makes such an approach difficult. Previously reported methods<sup>6d,6l,10</sup> for such transformations overcome this problem by using strongly nucleophilic intramolecular traps or by employing electron-withdrawing groups on the indole or aliphatic nitrogen, or both, to minimize such rearrangements, which can still occur (Scheme 2). An early and illustrative example was reported in 1971 by Büchi<sup>6d</sup> in his seminal total synthesis of ( $\pm$ )-vindorosine: electrophilic activation of an *N*-acetyl vinylgous amide in boron trifluoride diethyl etherate resulted in electrophilic trapping of the indole nucleus at C3, followed by cyclizative trapping at C2 with a strongly nucleophilic boron trifluoride enolate to afford the desired spirocyclic product in 38% yield en route to the natural product. However, the isolation of the undesired tetrahydro- $\beta$ -carboline side product in 20% yield demonstrates the difficulty of kinetically outcompeting the Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement. In Corey’s enantioselective synthesis of (–)-aspidoptyne,<sup>6l</sup> a similar strategy employing a chiral dialdehyde with a highly nucleophilic pendant allylic trimethylsilane allows for a remarkable condensative cascade reaction with a tryptamine derivative, affording the pentacyclic core of the natural product in 66% yield. Their use of an elaborate alkene reflects the need to outcompete rearrangement, as a simple vinyl group would have been an ideal synthon: manipulation of the exocyclic alkene in their pentacyclic product to the endocyclic alkene in the natural product requires four extra steps.



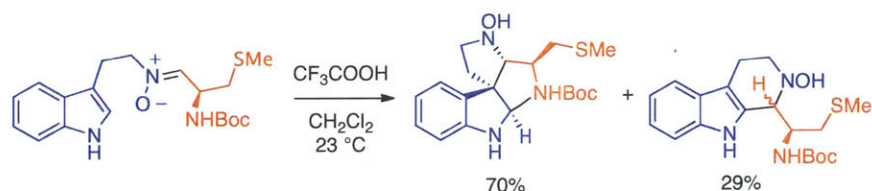
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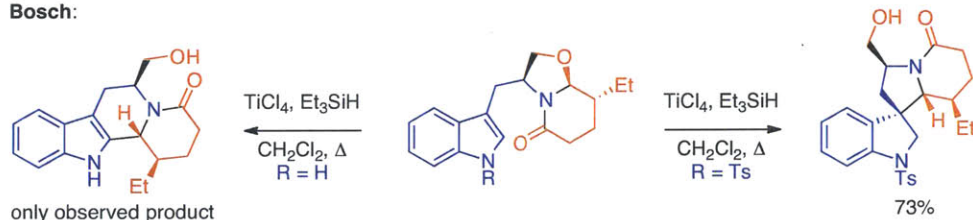
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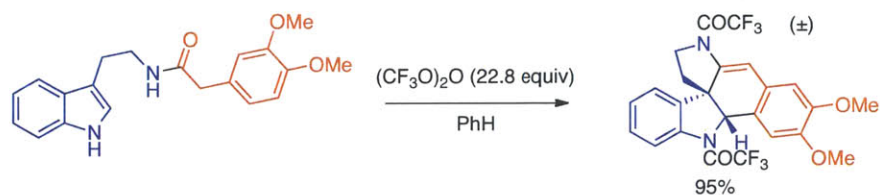
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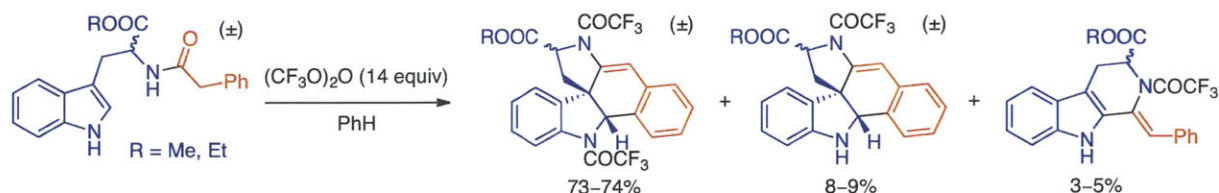
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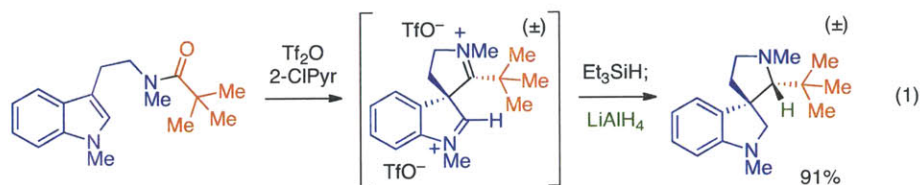
**Scheme 2.** Representative examples of trapping spiropyrrolodinoindoleninium ions.

Heteroatom nucleophiles have also been used as nucleophilic traps, as seen in an example reported by Nakagawa in which the nitrogen atom of a secondary carbamate serves as a trapping moiety to afford a spirocyclic product in 70% yield.<sup>10h</sup> Nonetheless, under their conditions, the

Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement competes with trapping of the spirocyclic indoleninium, as two diastomeric tetrahydro- $\beta$ -carboline products were isolated in a combined 29% yield. The use of an intermolecular nucleophilic trap present during iminium formation was employed by Bosch,<sup>10j</sup> who found that the presence of an electron-withdrawing *para*-toluenesulfonyl group on the indole nitrogen was essential to reduce the rate of Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement relative to nucleophilic trapping by triethylsilane en route to their spirocyclic product. The absence of such an electron-withdrawing group gave the tetrahydro- $\beta$ -carboline product under identical conditions.

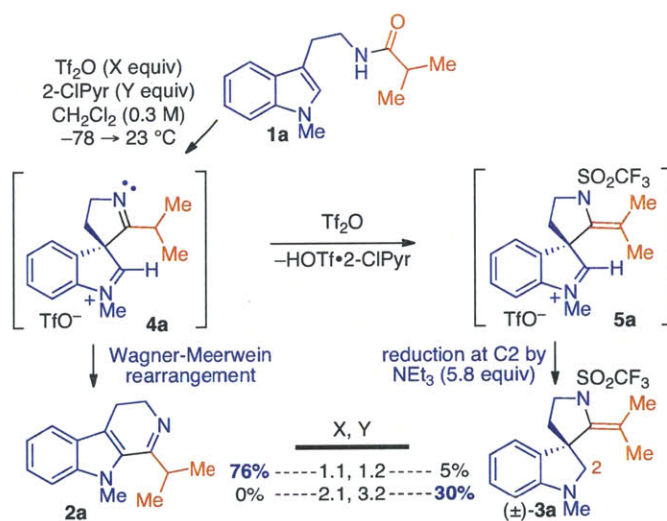
While the vast majority of examples of interception of spiropyrrolidinoindoleninium ions have been in the context of the Pictet–Spengler reaction, there have been reports<sup>10a–d</sup> on the use of carbon nucleophiles in such a strategy in the context of the related Bischler–Napieralski reaction,<sup>11</sup> which differs by employing electrophilically activated amide electrophiles in place of iminium ions. Jackson<sup>10a,c</sup> and Biswas reported an example of a tryptamine derived secondary amide bearing a highly nucleophilic dimethoxyphenyl group undergoing a spirocyclization/intramolecular trapping sequence when treated with a large excess of trifluoroacetic anhydride, affording the spirocyclic product in 95% yield. Notably, an electron-withdrawing trifluoroacetyl group was installed on both nitrogen atoms during the reaction; the use of trichlorooxyphosphine as activating agent resulted in a mixture of spiroindoline and dihydro- $\beta$ -carboline products. Later, Biswas<sup>10d</sup> reported two examples of a less nucleophilic phenyl group as a trap in a similar reaction. While doubly trifluoroacetylated spirocyclic products were isolated in yields of 73–74%, together with singly trifluoroacetylated 1*H*-spirocycles in yields of 8–9%, singly trifluoroacetylated products resulting from competitive Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement were also isolated in yields of 3–5%, consistent with a need for trifluoroacetylation of the indole nitrogen atom to enable trapping at C2 to sufficiently outcompete rearrangement when less powerful nucleophiles are used as intramolecular traps.

Due to the importance of spiropyrrolidinoindoline compounds, our group is interested in new methods for their synthesis. In this chapter, we report a method for the efficient synthesis of spiropyrrolidinoindolines by interruption of the Bischler–Napieralski reaction of 2*H*-*N*-acyltryptamines via spiroindoleninium intermediates with high resilience to Wagner–Meerwein rearrangements (eq 1).



## Results and Discussion

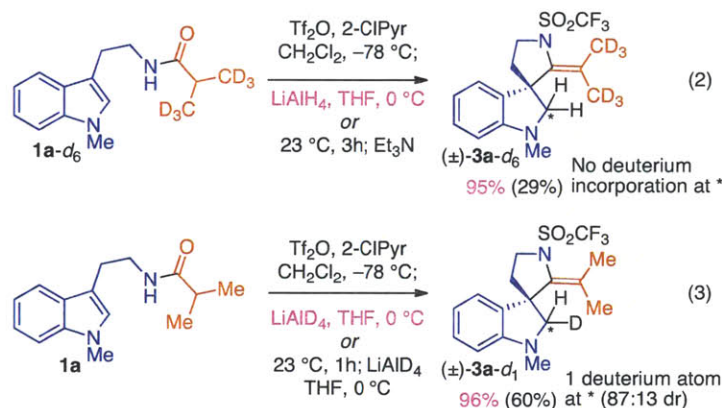
Earlier, our laboratory reported the use of the reagent combination trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride ( $\text{Tf}_2\text{O}$ )–2-chloropyridine (2-ClPyr)<sup>12</sup> to effect the Bischler–Napieralski reaction of secondary amides.<sup>13</sup> Interestingly, exposure of amide **1a** to  $\text{Tf}_2\text{O}$  (1.1 equiv) in the presence of 2-ClPyr (1.2 equiv) followed by warming and addition of excess triethylamine<sup>14</sup> provided the expected Bischler–Napieralski product **2a** (76%) along with the unexpected spirocyclic side product ( $\pm$ )-**3a** in low yield (~5%, Scheme 3). The sulfonylation of the amide nitrogen was easily rationalized by sulfonylation of a spirocyclic indoleninium intermediate ( $\pm$ )-**4a** with the slight excess of  $\text{Tf}_2\text{O}$  used for amide activation to afford spiroindoleninium ( $\pm$ )-**5a**. Consistent with *N*-sulfonylation of intermediate ( $\pm$ )-**4a**, the use of 2.1 equivalents of  $\text{Tf}_2\text{O}$  and 3.2 equivalents of 2-ClPyr greatly increased the yield of ( $\pm$ )-**3a** to 30% together with a complex mixture of side products and none of the Bischler–Napieralski product **2a**. The reduction at C2 of the indoline nucleus prompted further investigation to better understand the reactivity of the intermediates. Given the propensity of spiropyrrolidinoindoleninium intermediates to undergo Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement unless a strongly nucleophilic trap present is prior to spirocyclization,<sup>6d,1,10a–f,h–k</sup> we hypothesized



**Scheme 3.** Mechanism of the Interrupted Bischler–Napieralski Reaction.



that the reduction at C2 may have been the result of a rapid hydride transfer reaction between two intermediates along the reaction pathway<sup>15</sup> (Scheme 3). This, however, was ruled out with a concise set of deuterium labeling studies. First, hexadeuterated amide **1a-d<sub>6</sub>** was subjected to the reaction conditions. Spirocyclic ( $\pm$ )-**3a-d<sub>6</sub>** was isolated in 29% yield with complete deuterium retention on the alkenyl methyl groups and no deuterium enrichment at C2 (eq 2). Furthermore, when amide **1a** was exposed to the reaction conditions with lithium aluminum deuteride used in place of triethylamine as the quenching reagent, monodeuterated spirocycle ( $\pm$ )-**3a-d<sub>1</sub>** was isolated in 60% yield with incorporation of exactly one deuterium atom at C2 (eq 3, 6:1 dr at C2).<sup>16</sup> This showed unequivocally that reduction at C2 does not occur until an exogenous hydride source is introduced. We posited that triethylamine might be acting as a hydride source<sup>17,18</sup> and conjectured that the modest mass balance might be the result of spiroindoleninium ( $\pm$ )-**5a** undergoing competitive decomposition. Notably, when lithium aluminum hydride (eq 2) or lithium aluminum deuteride (eq 3, without warming to 23 °C) were introduced just 5 min after warming the respective reactions to 0 °C, products ( $\pm$ )-**3a-d<sub>6</sub>** and ( $\pm$ )-**3a-d<sub>1</sub>** were isolated in 95% and 96% yields, respectively.

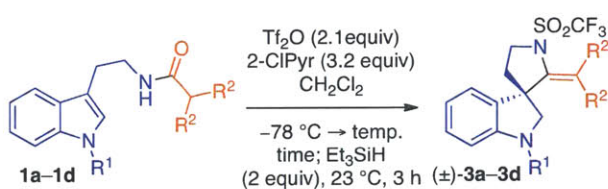


These results suggested that spirocyclic *N*-trifluoromethanesulfonyl indoleninium ( $\pm$ )-**5a** was electrophilic at C2 but recalcitrant to undergo a Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement due to deactivation of the trifluoromethanesulfonamide nitrogen lone pair. Electrophilic activation of **1a** followed by reduction with lithium aluminum hydride afforded spirocycle ( $\pm$ )-**3a** in excellent yield (Table 1, entry 1, 98% yield). When a less potent hydride source, triethylsilane, was introduced after activation and the resulting mixture warmed to ambient temperature, spirocycle ( $\pm$ )-**3a** was afforded in just 55% yield (Table 1, entry 2). On the other hand, 1-methyl-*N*-acetyltryptamine (**1b**), which bears no  $\beta$ -hydrogens, underwent highly efficient spirocyclization



and reduction to afford spirocycle ( $\pm$ )-**3b** using triethylsilane (Table 1, entry 3, 97% yield), lithium aluminum hydride (Table 1, entry 4, 92% yield), or triethylamine (Table 1, entry 5, 72% yield) as reducing agent. Spirocyclization followed by reduction with triethylsilane proceeded smoothly with 1-benzyl-*N*-acetyltryptamine (**1c**) and even with electron-deficient 1-*para*-toluenesulfonyl-*N*-acetyltryptamine (**1d**), providing the corresponding spirocycles ( $\pm$ )-**3c** (Table 1, entry 6, 100% yield) and ( $\pm$ )-**3d** (Table 1, entry 7, 94% yield), respectively. Trapping the spironindoleninium of amide **1b** at C2 with a carbon nucleophile, 1-methylindole, afforded the

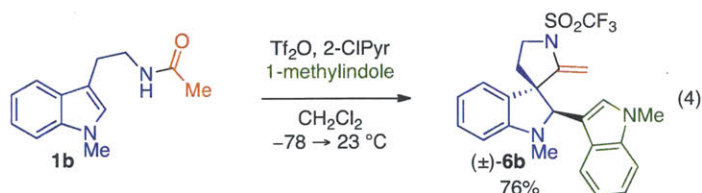
**Table 1.** Spirocyclization and Reduction.



entry	amide	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	temp.	time	yield <sup>a</sup>
1	<b>1a</b>	Me	Me	0 °C	5 min	98% <sup>b</sup>
2	<b>1a</b>	Me	Me	0 °C	30 min	55%
3	<b>1b</b>	Me	H	0 °C	30 min	97%
4	<b>1b</b>	Me	H	0 °C	5 min	92% <sup>b</sup>
5	<b>1b</b>	Me	H	23 °C	60 min	72% <sup>c</sup>
6	<b>1c</b>	Bn	H	0 °C	30 min	100%
7	<b>1d</b>	Ts	H	23 °C	30 min	94%

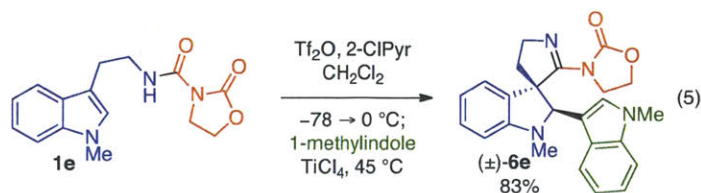
<sup>a</sup>Isolated yield. <sup>b</sup>LiAlH<sub>4</sub> (3.0 equiv) used as reducing agent at 0 °C. <sup>c</sup>Et<sub>3</sub>N (5.0 equiv) used as reducing agent.

spirocyclic indole adduct ( $\pm$ )-**6b** in excellent overall yield (eq 4, 76%) as a single diastereomer.<sup>16</sup> The stereochemical outcome of the reaction is consistent with approach of the 1-methylindole nucleophile opposite the bulky and highly electronegative<sup>19</sup> trifluoromethanesulfonamide moiety.

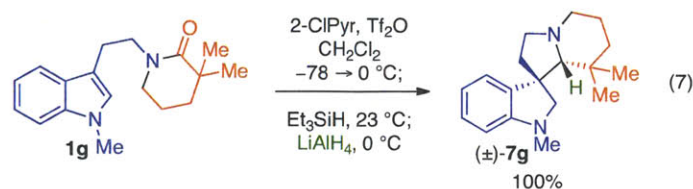
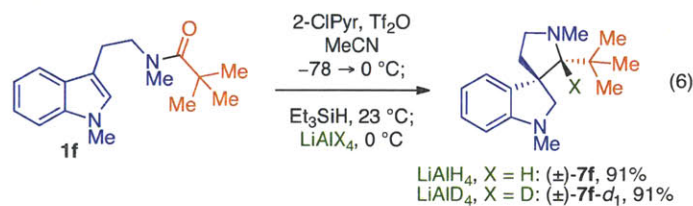


In order to avoid *N*-trifluoromethanesulfonylation, we hypothesized that a rapid, reversible nucleophilic trap at C2 with an oxygen nucleophile might give a persistent intermediate that could be further derivatized. Thus, 1-methyltryptamine oxazolidinone urea **1i** was activated with Tf<sub>2</sub>O (1.1 equiv) and 2-ClPyr (2.2 equiv); introduction of 1-methyltryptamine

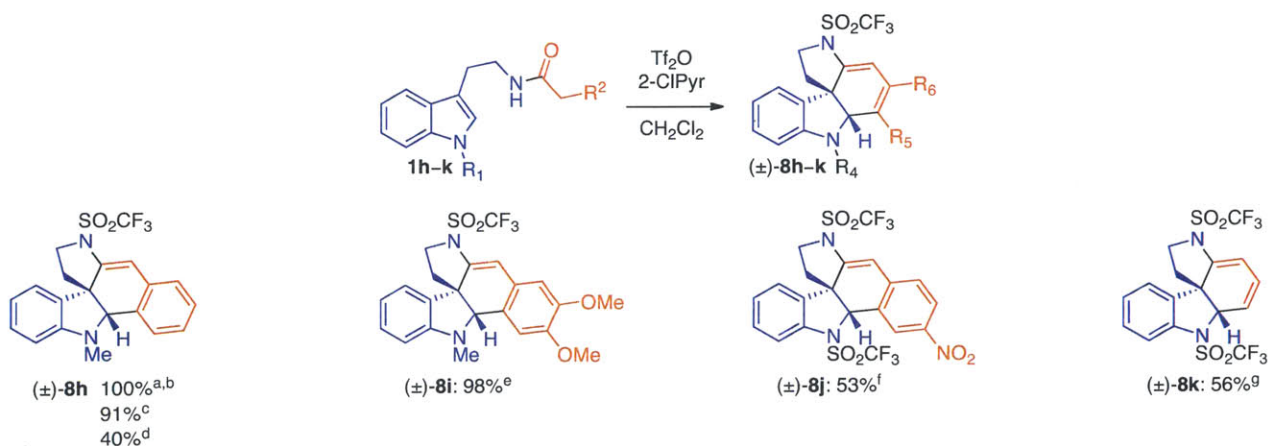
and titanium tetrachloride followed by heating to 45 °C afforded 1-methyltryptamine adduct (±)-**6e** in 83% yield as a single diastereomer<sup>16</sup> (eq 5) that was consistent with nucleophile approach from the same face of the spiroindoleninium as seen with amide **1b** (eq 4). The use of titanium tetrachloride was found to be essential to achieve C–C bond formation, consistent with competitive nucleophilic inhibition at C2 by the oxazolidinone oxygen atom.



Motivated by a desire to extend the range of diastereoselective trappings of spiroindoleninium intermediates, we hypothesized that non-enolizable tertiary amides would, upon activation with  $\text{Tf}_2\text{O}$ –2-ClPyr, undergo rapid spirocyclization to afford a persistent diiminium dication resilient to Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement.<sup>20</sup> To our delight, treatment of tertiary pivalamide **1f** with 1.1 equivalents of  $\text{Tf}_2\text{O}$ –2-ClPyr at 0 °C in acetonitrile<sup>21</sup> and warming to 23 °C, followed by sequential trapping with triethylsilane and lithium aluminum hydride, afforded spirocyclic indoline (±)-**7f** as a single diastereomer<sup>16</sup> in 91% yield (eq 6), suggesting the in situ formation of a putative persistent diiminium dication intermediate. The diastereoselectivity is likely a result of the steric bulk of the arene, which blocks approach of lithium aluminum hydride. Use of lithium aluminum deuteride in place of lithium aluminum hydride afforded monodeuterated spirocyclic indoline (±)-**7f-d<sub>1</sub>**, demonstrating the regioselective trapping at C2 with triethylsilane.<sup>16</sup> Similarly, activation of lactam **1g** followed by tandem reduction with triethylsilane–lithium aluminum hydride afforded tetracyclic indoline (±)-**7g** in quantitative yield as a single diastereomer<sup>16</sup> (eq 7).



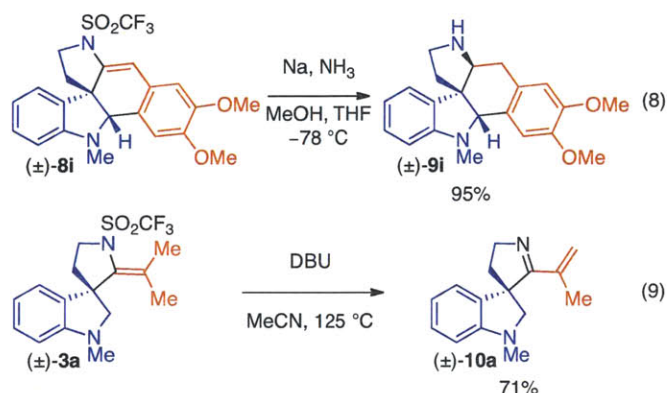
Encouraged by the efficiency of the spirocyclization/intermolecular nucleophilic trapping protocol, we envisaged a double-cyclization cascade making use of enolizable secondary amides with pendant nucleophiles. To explore and optimize this reaction, 1-methyltryptamine phenylacetamide (**1h**) was selected as substrate. Activation with a slight excess of Tf<sub>2</sub>O (2.1 equiv) in the presence of 2-CIPyr (3.2 equiv) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> followed by warming to 23 °C provided pentacycle (±)-**8h** in 40% yield (Scheme 4) accompanied with monocyclized side products and no recovered starting material or Bischler–Napieralski products. Heating the reaction to 45 °C in an oil bath afforded (±)-**8h** in excellent yield<sup>22</sup> (Scheme 2, 91% yield), while brief heating in a microwave<sup>23</sup> to 130 °C provided (±)-**8h** in quantitative yield. While similar cascades have been reported previously, the lack of any requirement of large excesses of activating agents<sup>10a,c,d</sup> or installation of an electron-withdrawing group on N1<sup>10a,c,d</sup> and the ability to completely avoid Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement<sup>10d</sup> are specific advantages to our conditions, and highlight the importance of nitrogen lone pair deactivation by the highly electronegative trifluoromethanesulfonyl group. Not surprisingly, electron-rich 3,4-dimethoxyphenylacetamide **1i** provided pentacycle (±)-**8i** in 98% yield as a single regio- and diastereomer<sup>16</sup> under 45 °C conditions on half-gram scale (Scheme 4). Even highly electron-deficient 4-nitrophenylacetamide **1j** afforded pentacycle (±)-**8j** in moderate yield (53%) under microwave heating conditions (130 °C, 10 min), and vinylacetamide **1k** afforded tetracyclic spiroindoline (±)-**8k** in 56% yield under 45 °C conditions.



**Scheme 4.** Double-Cyclization Cascades. <sup>a</sup>Isolated yields of single diastereomers. <sup>b</sup>Tf<sub>2</sub>O (2.1 equiv), 2-CIPyr (3.2 equiv), 130 °C (microwave), 5 min. <sup>c</sup>45 °C, 3 h. <sup>d</sup>23 °C, 3 h. <sup>e</sup>Tf<sub>2</sub>O (2.1 equiv), 2-CIPyr (3.2 equiv), 45 °C, 3 h.



The trifluoromethanesulfonyl group present in the spirocyclic indolines derived from secondary amides is readily removed under reductive or eliminative conditions: desulfonylation of pentacycle ( $\pm$ )-**8i** with sodium and ammonia in the presence of methanol provided pentacyclic diamine ( $\pm$ )-**9i** in excellent yield (95%) as a single diastereomer<sup>16</sup> (eq 8), while dehydrosulfonylation of tricycle ( $\pm$ )-**3a** is effected with 1,8-diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene (DBU) in acetonitrile under microwave heating conditions (eq 9) to afford enimine ( $\pm$ )-**10a** in 71% yield.



## Conclusion

We have presented a method for the efficient generation of distinctively persistent spiroindoleninium intermediates from secondary and tertiary *N*-acyl tryptamines. The exceptional resilience of these intermediates to Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement, determined through mechanistic studies, allows for efficient intra- and intermolecular trapping with nucleophiles, including weak nucleophiles such as deactivated arenes, which can be introduced even after<sup>6d,l,10a–f,h–k</sup> initial activation and spirocyclization. The use of oxazolidinone ureas and tertiary amides under our conditions allows for the direct and highly diastereoselective synthesis of spiropyrrolidinoindolines without competitive rearrangement<sup>6d,10a,c–e,h,k</sup> or the need for an electron-withdrawing group<sup>6d,10a,c,d,g,j,k</sup> on the aliphatic or indole nitrogen atoms.

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## Experimental Section

**General Procedures.** All reactions were performed in oven-dried or flame-dried round bottomed flasks, modified Schlenk (Kjeldahl shape) flasks or glass pressure vessels. The flasks were fitted with rubber septa and reactions were conducted under a positive pressure of argon. Stainless steel gas-tight syringes or cannulae were used to transfer air- and moisture-sensitive liquids. Flash column chromatography was performed as described by Still et al. using silica gel (60 Å pore size, 32–63 µm, standard grade) or non-activated alumina (80–325 mesh, chromatographic grade).<sup>1</sup> Analytical thin-layer chromatography was performed using glass plates pre-coated with 0.25 mm 230–400 mesh silica gel or neutral alumina impregnated with a fluorescent indicator (254 nm). Thin layer chromatography plates were visualized by exposure to ultraviolet light and/or by exposure to an aqueous solution of ceric ammonium molybdate (CAM) or an aqueous solution of potassium permanganate (KMnO<sub>4</sub>) followed by heating (<1 min) on a hot plate (~250 °C). Organic solutions were concentrated on rotary evaporators at ~20 Torr (house vacuum) at 25–35 °C, then at ~1 Torr (vacuum pump) unless otherwise indicated.

**Materials.** Commercial reagents and solvents were used as received with the following exceptions: Dichloromethane, diethyl ether, tetrahydrofuran, acetonitrile, toluene, and triethylamine were purchased from J.T. Baker (Cycletainer™) and were purified by the method of Grubbs et al. under positive argon pressure.<sup>2</sup> 2-Chloropyridine and *N,N*-diisopropylamine were distilled from calcium hydride and stored sealed under argon atmospheres. The molarity of *n*-butyllithium solutions was determined by titration against diphenylacetic acid<sup>3</sup> (average of three titrations). Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride was purchased from Oakwood Products, Inc.; all other solvents and chemicals were purchased from Sigma–Aldrich.

**Instrumentation.** All reaction conducted at 130 °C were performed in a CEM Discover Lab Mate microwave reactor. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (<sup>1</sup>H NMR) spectra were recorded with Varian inverse probe INOVA-500 and Varian INOVA-500 spectrometers, are reported in parts per million on the δ scale, and are referenced from the residual protium in the NMR solvent (CDCl<sub>3</sub>: δ 7.24 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>), toluene-*d*<sub>8</sub>: δ 2.09 (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>5</sub>CD<sub>2</sub>H)). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift [multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, sp = septet, m = multiplet, br = broad), coupling constant(s) in Hertz, integration, assignment]. Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance (<sup>13</sup>C NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian INOVA-500 spectrometer, are reported in parts per million on the δ scale, and are referenced from the carbon resonances of the solvent (CDCl<sub>3</sub>: δ 77.23, toluene-*d*<sub>8</sub>: δ 20.4). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift (assignment). Fluorine-19 nuclear magnetic resonance (<sup>19</sup>F NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian Mercury 300 spectrometer or a Varian INOVA-500 spectrometer, are reported in parts per million on the δ scale, and are referenced from the fluorine resonance of neat trichlorofluoromethane (CFCl<sub>3</sub>: δ 0). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift (assignment). Infrared data (IR) were obtained with a Perkin-Elmer 2000 FTIR, and are reported as follows: frequency of absorption (cm<sup>-1</sup>), intensity of absorption (s = strong, m = medium, w = weak, br = broad). Optical rotations were measured on a Jasco-1010 polarimeter. We

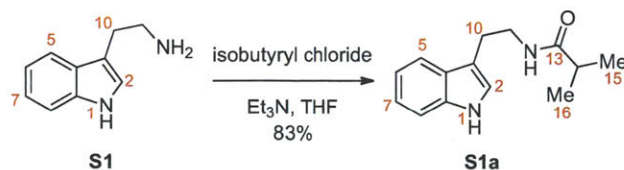
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### *N*-Isobutyryltryptamine (S1a):<sup>4,5</sup>

Isobutyryl chloride (1.96 mL, 18.7 mmol, 1.00 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of tryptamine (**S1**, 3.00 g, 18.7 mmol, 1 equiv) and triethylamine (2.87 mL, 20.6 mmol, 1.10 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (47.0 mL) at 23 °C. After 20 min, water was added, and the organic layer was diluted with ethyl acetate (250 mL). The layers were separated, and the organic layer was washed with aqueous hydrogen chloride solution (1N, 250 mL), saturated aqueous potassium carbonate solution (250 mL), and brine (250 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, was filtered, and was concentrated under reduced pressure to afford *N*-isobutyryltryptamine (**S1a**, 3.56 g, 82.6%) as a tan powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY data.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20 °C): δ 8.32–8.18 (br-s, 1H, N<sub>1</sub>H), 7.60 (dd, *J* = 1.0, 7.9, 1H, C<sub>5</sub>H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.0, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>H), 7.19 (app-dt, *J* = 1.1, 7.6, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>H), 7.11 (app-dt, *J* = 1.1, 7.5, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 2.3, 1H, C<sub>2</sub>H), 5.61–5.46 (br-s, 1H, N<sub>12</sub>H), 3.58 (app-q, *J* = 6.7, 2H, C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 2.96 (t, *J* = 6.7, 2H, C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 2.24 (sp, *J* = 7.0, 1H, C<sub>14</sub>H), 1.09 (d, *J* = 7.0, 6H, C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20 °C): δ 177.4, 136.6, 127.5, 122.4, 122.1, 119.4, 118.7, 112.7, 111.6, 39.9, 35.7, 25.4, 19.7.

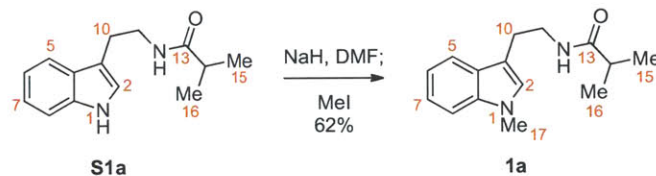
FTIR (neat) cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3286 (br-s), 2969 (m), 1652 (s), 1529 (s), 1457 (m), 1229 (m), 743 (s).

HRMS (DART): calc'd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 253.1311, found: 253.1314.

TLC (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, 30% EtOAc in hexanes), *R*<sub>f</sub>: 0.08 (UV, CAM, KMnO<sub>4</sub>).

<sup>4</sup> The C<sub>15</sub>,C<sub>16</sub>-hexadeuterated isotopomer **S1a-d<sub>6</sub>** was synthesized by dehydrative coupling of tryptamine (**S1**) with isobutyric acid-d<sub>6</sub> (ref. 5) in the presence of 1-ethyl-3-(3-dimethylaminopropyl) carbodiimide hydrogen chloride (EDC•HCl) in dichloromethane.

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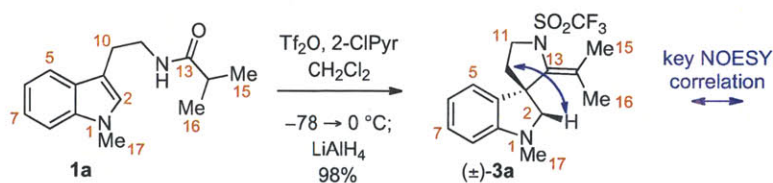
### **1-Methyl-*N*-isobutyryltryptamine (1a):**<sup>6</sup>

Sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 564 mg, 14.1 mmol, 1.30 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere to a solution of *N*-isobutyryltryptamine (**S1a**, 2.50 g, 10.9 mmol, 1 equiv) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (27 mL) at 23 °C. After 55 min, iodomethane (901  $\mu\text{L}$ , 14.4 mmol, 1.33 equiv) was added dropwise via syringe over 5 min. After 15 h, water (20 mL) was added to quench the excess base. The resulting mixture was diluted with diethyl ether (300 mL), and the organic layer was washed with brine (3  $\times$  300 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, was filtered, and was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (0  $\rightarrow$  20% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford 1-methyl-*N*-isobutyryltryptamine (**1a**, 1.64 g, 61.8%) as a tan powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY data.

<sup>1</sup> H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C):	$\delta$ 7.59 (d, $J = 7.9$ , 1H, C <sub>5</sub> H), 7.29 (d, $J = 8.2$ , 1H, C <sub>8</sub> H), 7.23 (app-dt, $J = 1.2$ , 7.7, 1H, C <sub>7</sub> H), 7.10 (app-dt, $J = 1.0$ , 7.5, 1H, C <sub>6</sub> H), 6.86 (s, 1H, C <sub>2</sub> H), 5.58–5.43 (br-s, 1H, N <sub>12</sub> H), 3.74 (s, 3H, C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ), 3.56 (app-q, $J = 6.7$ , 2H, C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ), 2.94 (t, $J = 6.7$ , 2H, C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ), 2.23 (sp, $J = 6.9$ , 1H, C <sub>14</sub> H), 1.09 (d, $J = 6.9$ , 6H, C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>3</sub> , C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ).
<sup>13</sup> C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C):	$\delta$ 177.0, 137.2, 127.9, 126.9, 121.8, 119.0, 119.0, 111.7, 109.4, 39.9, 35.7, 32.7, 25.4, 19.7.
FTIR (neat) cm <sup>-1</sup> :	3301 (br-s), 2967 (m), 1646 (m), 1548 (m), 1472 (m), 1236 (m), 740 (m).
HRMS (DART):	calc'd for C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>2</sub> NaO [M+Na] <sup>+</sup> : 267.1468, found: 267.1465.
TLC (Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> , 30% EtOAc in hexanes):	$R_f$ : 0.21 (UV, CAM, KMnO <sub>4</sub> ).

<sup>6</sup> The C15,C16-hexadeuterated isotopomer **1a-d<sub>6</sub>** was synthesized by an analogous procedure starting from **S1a-d<sub>6</sub>**.





### Spirocyclic indoline ( $\pm$ )-**3a**:

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (62.8  $\mu\text{L}$ , 373  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 2.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of 1-methyl-*N*-isobutyryltryptamine (**1a**, 43.4 mg, 178  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (53.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 568  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 3.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.8 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ .<sup>7,8</sup> After 5 min, tetrahydrofuran (1.0 mL) was added via syringe. After 30 sec, lithium aluminum hydride<sup>9,10,11</sup> (20.2 mg, 533  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 3.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 20 min, sodium sulfate decahydrate was added to quench the unreacted aluminum hydride salts. The resulting suspension was filtered, and the filter cake was extracted with ethyl acetate (20 mL). The combined filtrates were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (0  $\rightarrow$  10% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford spirocyclic indoline ( $\pm$ )-**3a** (62.7 mg, 97.9%) as a beige powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

$^1\text{H}$ NMR (500 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ 7.11 (app-dt, $J = 1.3, 7.7$ , 1H, C <sub>7</sub> H), 6.95 (dd, $J = 0.8, 7.4$ , 1H, C <sub>5</sub> H), 6.68 (app-dt, $J = 0.9, 7.4$ , 1H, C <sub>6</sub> H), 6.51 (d, $J = 7.9$ , 1H, C <sub>8</sub> H), 3.75–3.60 (m, 2H, C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ), 3.52 (d, $J = 9.3$ , 1H, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>a</sub> ), 3.38 (d, $J = 9.3$ , 1H, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>b</sub> ), 2.81 (s, 3H, C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ), 2.38 (app-dt, $J = 13.0, 6.5$ , 1H, C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>a</sub> ), 2.13 (app-dt, $J = 13.0, 6.7$ , 1H, C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>b</sub> ), 1.86 (s, 3H, C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ), 1.41 (s, 3H, C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ).
$^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (125 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ 151.8 (C <sub>9</sub> ), 135.6 (C <sub>4</sub> ), 134.7 (C <sub>13</sub> ), 130.1 (C <sub>14</sub> ), 128.4 (C <sub>7</sub> ), 122.4 (C <sub>5</sub> ), 120.0 (q, $J = 323.4$ , SO <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub> ), 118.6 (C <sub>6</sub> ), 107.6 (C <sub>8</sub> ), 68.8 (C <sub>2</sub> ), 53.0 (C <sub>3</sub> ), 50.5 (C <sub>11</sub> ), 43.9 (C <sub>10</sub> ), 35.7 (C <sub>17</sub> ), 23.5 (C <sub>15</sub> ), 21.2 (C <sub>16</sub> ).
$^{19}\text{F}$ NMR (471 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ -75.1
FTIR (neat) $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :	2860 (m), 1606 (m), 1493 (m), 1378 (s), 1223 (s), 1191 (s), 1024 (m), 738 (m).
HRMS (DART):	calc'd for C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>20</sub> F <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S [M+H] <sup>+</sup> : 361.1192, found: 361.1184.
TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes), $R_f$ :	0.67 (UV, CAM, KMnO <sub>4</sub> ).

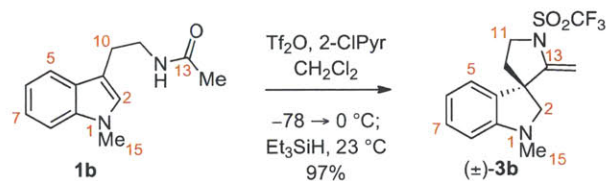
<sup>7</sup> Warming to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  followed by addition of triethylsilane affords spirocyclic indoline ( $\pm$ )-**3a** in 55% yield. Warming to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  and keeping the mixture at  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  for 4.5 h followed by addition of triethylamine affords spirocyclic indoline ( $\pm$ )-**3a** in 30% yield.

<sup>8</sup> The use of C<sub>15</sub>,C<sub>16</sub>-hexadeuterated analog **1a-d<sub>6</sub>** as substrate and addition of triethylamine after warming to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  for 4.5 h affords C<sub>15</sub>,C<sub>16</sub>-hexadeuterated spirocyclic indoline ( $\pm$ )-**3a-d<sub>6</sub>** in 29% yield (>99% deuterium incorporation at C<sub>15</sub> and C<sub>16</sub> by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis).

<sup>9</sup> The use of the C<sub>15</sub>,C<sub>16</sub>-hexadeuterated isotopomer **1a-d<sub>6</sub>** as substrate affords C<sub>15</sub>,C<sub>16</sub>-hexadeuterated spirocyclic indoline ( $\pm$ )-**3a-d<sub>6</sub>** in 95% yield (>99% deuterium incorporation at C<sub>15</sub> and C<sub>16</sub> by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis).

<sup>10</sup> The addition of lithium aluminum deuteride (98 atom% D) in place of lithium aluminum hydride affords C<sub>2</sub>-monodeuterated analog ( $\pm$ )-**3a-d<sub>1</sub>** in 96% yield ( $\geq 98\%$  deuterium incorporation at C<sub>2</sub> [d.r. = 6:1] by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis). The C<sub>2</sub>-deuterium bond in the major diastereomer is *syn* to the C<sub>3</sub>–C<sub>10</sub> bond, as determined by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis and NOESY correlations for spirocyclic indoline ( $\pm$ )-**3a**.

<sup>11</sup> The addition of lithium aluminum deuteride (98 atom% D) 1 h after allowing the reaction mixture to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  affords C<sub>2</sub>-monodeuterated analog ( $\pm$ )-**3a-d<sub>1</sub>** in 60% yield ( $\geq 98\%$  deuterium incorporation at C<sub>2</sub> [dr = 6:1] by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis).



### Spirocyclic indoline (±)-3b:

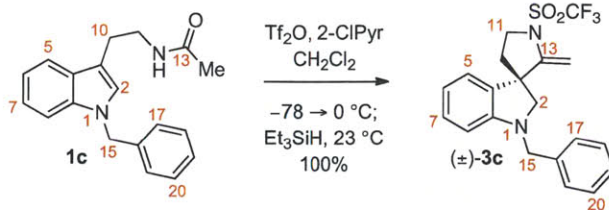
Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (70.7  $\mu\text{L}$ , 420  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 2.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of 1-methyl-*N*-acetyltryptamine<sup>12</sup> (**1b**, 43.3 mg, 200  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (60.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 640  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 3.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (500  $\mu\text{L}$ ) at  $-78$   $^{\circ}\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0$   $^{\circ}\text{C}$ . After 25 min, triethylsilane<sup>13</sup> (63.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 400  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 2.00 equiv) was added via syringe. After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^{\circ}\text{C}$ . After 3 h, triethylamine (300  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to neutralize the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts. Brine (10 mL) was added, and the aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (10 mL,  $2 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel ( $0 \rightarrow 20\%$  ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford spirocyclic indoline (±)-**3b** (64.7 mg, 97.3%) as an off-white powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

<sup>1</sup> H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ 7.17 (app-dt, $J = 1.3, 7.7$ , 1H, C <sub>7</sub> H), 6.99 (d, $J = 7.4$ , 1H, C <sub>5</sub> H), 6.75 (app-dt, $J = 1.0, 7.5$ , 1H, C <sub>6</sub> H), 6.56 (d, $J = 7.9$ , 1H, C <sub>8</sub> H), 5.25 (d, $J = 2.4$ , 1H, C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>Z</sub> ), 4.42 (d, $J = 2.4$ , 1H, C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>E</sub> ), 4.00 (app-dt, $J = 2.5, 9.2$ , 1H, C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>a</sub> ), 3.78 (app-dt, $J = 6.6, 10.2$ , 1H, C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>b</sub> ), 3.36 (d, $J = 8.8$ , 1H, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>a</sub> ), 3.21 (d, $J = 8.8$ , 1H, C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>b</sub> ), 2.77 (s, 3H, C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ), 2.22 (ddd, $J = 2.5, 6.6, 12.6$ , 1H, C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>a</sub> ), 2.07 (ddd, $J = 8.2, 10.2, 12.6$ , 1H, C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>b</sub> ).
<sup>13</sup> C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ 153.2 (C <sub>9</sub> ), 148.4 (C <sub>13</sub> ), 132.1 (C <sub>4</sub> ), 129.2 (C <sub>7</sub> ), 123.5 (C <sub>5</sub> ), 120.6 (q, $J = 325.8$ , SO <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub> ), 118.8 (C <sub>6</sub> ), 108.1 (C <sub>8</sub> ), 94.8 (C <sub>14</sub> ), 68.4 (C <sub>2</sub> ), 55.6 (C <sub>13</sub> ), 49.8 (C <sub>11</sub> ), 35.9 (C <sub>15</sub> ), 35.1 (C <sub>10</sub> ).
<sup>19</sup> F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ $-74.0$ .
FTIR (neat) cm <sup>-1</sup> :	2954 (w), 1657 (m), 1608 (m), 1492 (m), 1404 (m), 1383 (m), 1227 (s), 1198 (s), 1147 (s), 748 (m).
HRMS (DART):	calc'd for C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>16</sub> F <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S [M+H] <sup>+</sup> : 333.0879, found: 333.0872.
TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes), R <sub>f</sub> :	0.60 (UV, CAM, KMnO <sub>4</sub> ).

<sup>12</sup> For previous preparations of amides **1b**, **1c**, and **1d**, see Song, H.; Yang, J.; Chen, W.; Qin, Y. *Org. Lett.* **2006**, *8*, 6011.

<sup>13</sup> The addition of tetrahydrofuran and lithium aluminum hydride in place of triethylsilane affords spirocyclic indoline (±)-**3b** in 92% yield. The addition of triethylamine in place of triethylsilane affords spirocyclic indoline (±)-**3b** in 72% yield.

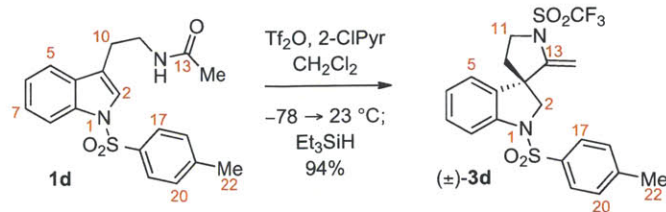




### Spirocyclic indoline ( $\pm$ )-**3c**:

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (154  $\mu\text{L}$ , 916  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 2.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of 1-benzyl-*N*-acetyltryptamine<sup>12</sup> (**1c**, 128 mg, 436  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (131  $\mu\text{L}$ , 1.40 mmol, 3.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.5 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 25 min, triethylsilane (63.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 400  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 2.00 equiv) was added via syringe. After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 3 h, triethylamine (500  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to neutralize the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts. Brine (15 mL) was added, and the aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $3 \times 15 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel ( $0 \rightarrow 5\%$  ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford spirocyclic indoline ( $\pm$ )-**3c** (128 mg, 99.5%) as a viscous, colorless oil. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

$^1\text{H}$ NMR (500 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ 7.44–7.38 (m, 2H, $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}$ , $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}$ ), 7.44–7.38 (m, 2H, $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}$ , $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}$ ), 7.44–7.38 (m, 1H, $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}$ ), 7.20 (app-dt, $J = 1.2, 7.7$ , 1H, $\text{C}_7\text{H}$ ), 7.07 (dd, $J = 1.2, 7.5$ , 1H, $\text{C}_5\text{H}$ ), 6.81 (app-dt, $J = 0.8, 7.4$ , 1H, $\text{C}_6\text{H}$ ), 6.65 (d, $J = 7.9$ , 1H, $\text{C}_8\text{H}$ ), 5.30 (d, $J = 2.3$ , 1H, $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_Z$ ), 4.49 (d, $J = 2.3$ , 1H, $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_E$ ), 4.43 (d, $J = 14.8$ , 1H, $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_a$ ), 4.25 (d, $J = 14.8$ , 1H, $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_b$ ), 4.06–3.97 (m, 1H, $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_a$ ), 3.82–3.70 (m, 1H, $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_b$ ), 3.38 (d, $J = 9.2$ , 1H, $\text{C}_2\text{H}_a$ ), 3.33 (d, $J = 9.2$ , 1H, $\text{C}_2\text{H}_b$ ), 2.27–2.09 (m, 2H, $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_2$ ).
$^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (125 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ 152.3 ( $\text{C}_9$ ), 148.6 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 137.8 ( $\text{C}_{16}$ ), 131.9 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 129.3 ( $\text{C}_7$ ), 128.8 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ , $\text{C}_{20}$ ), 127.9 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ , $\text{C}_{21}$ ), 127.6 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ), 123.8 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 120.6 (q, $J = 325.3$ , $\text{SO}_2\text{CF}_3$ ), 118.9 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 108.0 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 94.8 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ), 66.1 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 55.4 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 53.0 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 49.7 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 35.5 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ).
$^{19}\text{F}$ NMR (282 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ -74.0.
FTIR (neat) $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :	2831 (m), 1656 (m), 1606 (m), 1489 (s), 1404 (s), 1382 (s), 1228 (s), 1198 (s), 1029 (m), 742 (m).
HRMS (DART):	calc'd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 409.1192, found: 409.1178.
TLC (20% EtOAc in hexanes), $R_f$ :	0.67 (UV, CAM, $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).



### **Spirocyclic indoline ( $\pm$ )-3d:**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (64.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 386  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 2.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of 1-(*p*-toluenesulfonyl)-*N*-acetyltryptamine<sup>12</sup> (**1d**, 65.5 mg, 184  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (55.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 588  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 3.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.0 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 10 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 30 min, triethylsilane (58.7  $\mu\text{L}$ , 368  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 2.00 equiv) was added via syringe. After 3 h, triethylamine (300  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to neutralize the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts. Brine (15 mL) was added, and the aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $3 \times 15 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (0  $\rightarrow$  10% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford spirocyclic indoline ( $\pm$ )-**3d** (81.2 mg, 93.5%) as a white powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$  7.70 (d,  $J = 8.2$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{H}$ ), 7.66 (d,  $J = 8.3$ , 2H,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}$ ,  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}$ ), 7.30 (app-dt,  $J = 1.4$ , 7.8, 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{H}$ ), 7.23 (d,  $J = 8.3$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}$ ,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}$ ), 7.05 (app-dt,  $J = 0.9$ , 7.5, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}$ ), 6.99 (d,  $J = 7.6$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_5\text{H}$ ), 5.00 (d,  $J = 2.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_Z$ ), 3.99–3.95 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_a$ ), 3.93 (d,  $J = 10.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_a$ ), 3.75 (d,  $J = 10.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_b$ ), 3.74 (d,  $J = 2.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_E$ ), 3.73–3.65 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_b$ ), 2.36 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_3$ ), 2.01 (ddd,  $J = 8.3$ , 10.9, 12.8, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_a$ ), 1.91 (ddd,  $J = 2.0$ , 6.2, 12.8, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_b$ ).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$  148.2 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 144.8 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ), 142.4 ( $\text{C}_9$ ), 133.6 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 133.5 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 130.0 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ ,  $\text{C}_{20}$ ), 129.8 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 127.5 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ ,  $\text{C}_{21}$ ), 124.7 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 124.5 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 120.5 (q,  $J = 325.3$ ,  $\text{SO}_2\text{CF}_3$ ), 115.2 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 95.4 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ), 62.5 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 55.0 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 49.5 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 36.5 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ), 21.7 ( $\text{C}_{22}$ ).

$^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$   $-74.0$ .

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :

2919 (w), 1656 (m), 1599 (m), 1478 (m), 1405 (s), 1359 (s), 1229 (s), 1199 (s), 1169 (s), 1027 (m).

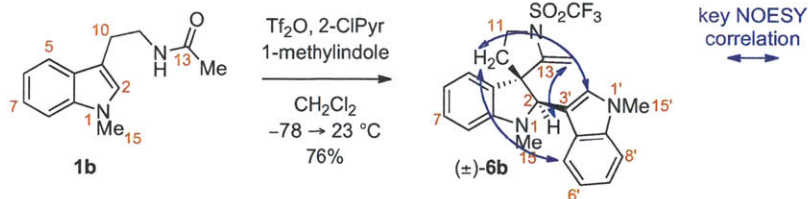
HRMS (DART):

calc'd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_2$  [ $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ] $^+$ : 473.0811, found: 473.0807.

TLC (10% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ :

0.13 (UV, CAM,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).



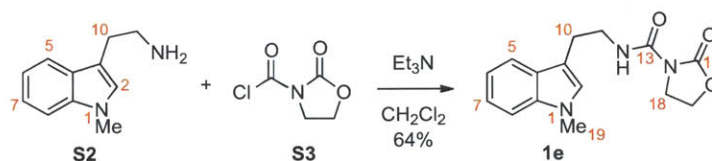


### Spirocyclic 1-methyltryptamine adduct (±)-6b:

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (220  $\mu\text{L}$ , 1.31 mmol, 2.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of 1-methyl-*N*-acetyltryptamine<sup>12</sup> (**1b**, 135 mg, 622  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv), 2-chloropyridine (187  $\mu\text{L}$ , 1.99 mmol, 3.20 equiv) and 1-methyltryptamine (85.5  $\mu\text{L}$ , 685  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.10 equiv) in dichloromethane (5.0 mL) at  $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $23\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ . After 4 h, saturated aqueous potassium carbonate solution (5 mL) was added to neutralize the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts. Brine (10 mL) was added, and the aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $3 \times 10\text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (25% dichloromethane in hexanes) to afford spirocyclic 1-methyltryptamine adduct (±)-**6b** (219 mg, 76.0%) as a white powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

$^1\text{H}$ NMR (500 MHz, PhMe- <i>d</i> <sub>8</sub> , $100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ 7.69 (d, $J = 8.1$ , 1H, C <sub>5</sub> H), 7.14–7.07 (m, 2H, C <sub>7</sub> H, C <sub>7</sub> H), 7.02 (app-t, $J = 7.7$ , 1H, C <sub>6</sub> H), 7.00 (d, $J = 8.1$ , 1H, C <sub>8</sub> H), 6.91 (d, $J = 7.4$ , 1H, C <sub>5</sub> H), 6.72 (app-t, $J = 7.5$ , 1H, C <sub>6</sub> H), 6.70 (s, 1H, C <sub>2</sub> H), 6.47 (d, $J = 7.9$ , 1H, C <sub>8</sub> H), 5.48 (d, $J = 1.7$ , 1H, C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>Z</sub> ), 4.55 (d, $J = 1.7$ , 1H, C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>E</sub> ), 4.54 (s, 1H, C <sub>2</sub> H), 3.19 (s, 3H, C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ), 3.15 (app-t, $J = 9.1$ , 1H, C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>a</sub> ), 2.52–2.43 (m, 1H, C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>b</sub> ), 2.48 (s, 3H, C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ), 2.26–2.16 (m, 1H, C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>a</sub> ), 1.52–1.43 (m, 1H, C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>b</sub> ).
$^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (125 MHz, PhMe- <i>d</i> <sub>8</sub> , $100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ 153.3 (C <sub>9</sub> ), 151.2 (C <sub>13</sub> ), 138.5 (C <sub>9</sub> '), 134.1 (C <sub>4</sub> ), 129.4 (C <sub>7</sub> ), 128.9 (C <sub>2</sub> '), 128.4 (C <sub>4</sub> '), 124.0 (C <sub>5</sub> ), 122.8 (C <sub>7</sub> '), 121.4 (C <sub>5</sub> '), 121.3 (q, $J = 325.8$ , SO <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub> ), 120.6 (C <sub>6</sub> '), 119.7 (C <sub>6</sub> ), 110.5 (C <sub>5</sub> '), 109.9 (C <sub>8</sub> '), 108.5 (C <sub>8</sub> ), 95.5 (C <sub>14</sub> ), 77.9 (C <sub>2</sub> ), 61.4 (C <sub>3</sub> ), 50.3 (C <sub>11</sub> ), 34.1 (C <sub>15</sub> ), 33.2 (C <sub>10</sub> ), 32.2 (C <sub>15</sub> ').
$^{19}\text{F}$ NMR (471 MHz, PhMe- <i>d</i> <sub>8</sub> , $100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ $-75.1$ .
FTIR (neat) $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :	2915 (w), 1650 (m), 1605 (m), 1485 (s), 1402 (s), 1382 (s), 1228 (s), 1197 (s), 1146 (s), 1021 (m), 744 (m).
HRMS (DART):	calc'd for C <sub>23</sub> H <sub>23</sub> F <sub>3</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S [M+H] <sup>+</sup> : 462.1458, found: 462.1477.
TLC (50% CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> in hexanes), $R_f$ :	0.42 (UV, CAM, KMnO <sub>4</sub> ).





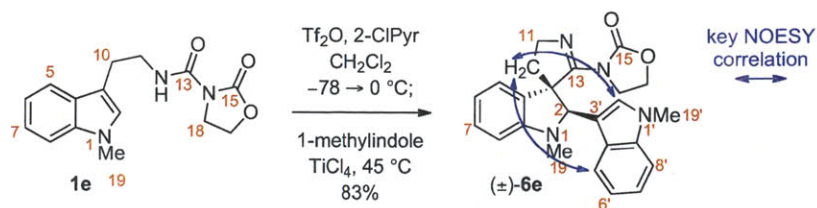
### Oxazolidinone urea 1e:

A solution of 1-methyltryptamine<sup>14</sup> (**S2**, 1.66 g, 9.53 mmol, 1 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (20 mL) was added via cannula to a solution of *N*-chlorocarbonyloxazolidin-2-one<sup>15</sup> (**S3**, 1.56 g, 10.4 mmol, 1.09 equiv) and triethylamine (3.33 mL, 23.9 mmol, 2.51 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (40 mL) at 23 °C. After 12 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (250 mL). The organic layer was washed with saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (2 × 250 mL), aqueous sodium hydroxide solution (1N, 250 mL), saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (250 mL), and brine (250 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, was filtered, and was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (50% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford oxazolidinone urea **1e** (1.76 g, 64.3%) as a beige powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY data.

<sup>1</sup> H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C):	δ 7.92–7.84 (br-m, 1H, N <sub>12</sub> H), 7.63 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.9, 1H, C <sub>5</sub> H), 7.30 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.2, 1H, C <sub>8</sub> H), 7.24 (app-dt, <i>J</i> = 1.1, 7.6, 1H, C <sub>7</sub> H), 7.13 (app-dt, <i>J</i> = 1.1, 7.4, 1H, C <sub>6</sub> H), 6.92 (s, 1H, C <sub>2</sub> H), 4.32 (t, <i>J</i> = 8.2, 2H, C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ), 3.98 (t, <i>J</i> = 8.2, 2H, C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ), 3.74 (s, 3H, C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ), 3.58 (app-q, <i>J</i> = 7.1, 2H, C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ), 3.02 (t, <i>J</i> = 7.1, 1H, C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ).
<sup>13</sup> C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C):	δ 155.7, 151.6, 137.1, 127.6, 126.9, 121.6, 118.8, 118.8, 111.1, 109.3, 62.3, 42.4, 40.7, 32.6, 25.4.
FTIR (neat) cm <sup>-1</sup> :	3349 (br-m), 2922 (m), 1755 (s), 1697 (s), 1540 (s), 1478 (s), 1400 (s), 1245 (s), 1104 (s), 1037 (m), 744 (s).
HRMS (DART):	calc'd for C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>18</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> [M+H] <sup>+</sup> : 288.1343, found: 288.1348.
TLC (50% EtOAc in hexanes), <i>R</i> <sub>f</sub> :	0.19 (UV, CAM, KMnO <sub>4</sub> ).

<sup>14</sup> For a previous preparation of 1-methyltryptamine (**S2**), see Lygin, A. V.; de Meijere, A. *Eur. J. Org. Chem.* **2009**, 5138.

<sup>15</sup> For a previous preparation of *N*-chlorocarbonyloxazolidin-2-one (**S3**), see Evans, D. A.; Johnson, D. S. *Org. Lett.* **1999**, *1*, 595.



### **Spirocyclic 1-methyltryptamine adduct (±)-6e:**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (25.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 154  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of oxazolidinone urea **1e** (40.2 mg, 140  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (28.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 308  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 2.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.8 mL) at  $-78 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$ . After 30 min, 1-methylindole (19.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 154  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe. After 1 min, titanium tetrachloride (1.0 M solution in dichloromethane, 154  $\mu\text{L}$ , 154  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe. After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction vessel was placed into an oil bath and heated to  $45 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$ . After 3 h, the reaction vessel was removed from the oil bath and allowed to cool to  $23 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$  before saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (15 mL) was added to quench the titanium and trifluoromethanesulfonate salts. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane ( $3 \times 10 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (30  $\rightarrow$  70% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford spirocyclic 1-methyltryptamine adduct (±)-**6e** (46.6 mg, 83.2%) as a white powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, PhMe- $d_8$ ,  $100 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  7.83–7.60 (br-s, 1H,  $\text{C}_5\text{H}$ ), 7.13 (app-t,  $J = 7.6$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{H}$ ), 7.09 (app-t,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{H}$ ), 7.04 (app-t,  $J = 8.0$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}$ ), 7.01 (d,  $J = 8.2$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{H}$ ), 6.79 (d,  $J = 7.7$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_5\text{H}$ ), 6.79–6.74 (br-s, 1H,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}$ ), 6.66 (app-t,  $J = 7.4$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}$ ), 6.52 (d,  $J = 7.9$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{H}$ ), 5.82–5.69 (br-s, 1H,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}$ ), 3.78 (app-q,  $J = 9.0$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_a$ ), 3.71–3.57 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_b$ ), 3.71–3.57 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_a$ ), 3.53 (app-q,  $J = 8.3$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_b$ ), 3.39 (ddd,  $J = 3.5$ , 8.6, 14.8, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_a$ ), 3.17 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_3$ ), 2.83 (app-dt,  $J = 15.0$ , 7.5, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_b$ ), 2.72 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_3$ ), 2.70–2.62 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_a$ ), 1.86 (app-dt,  $J = 13.0$ , 7.9, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_b$ ).

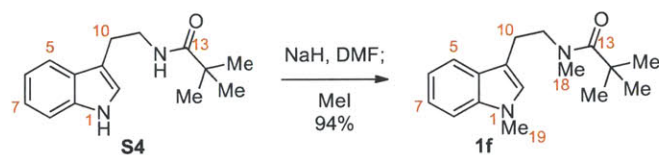
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz, PhMe- $d_8$ ,  $80 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  163.9 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 154.0 ( $\text{C}_9$ ), 153.0 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 138.4 ( $\text{C}_9$ ), 135.4 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 129.3 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 128.9 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 128.6 ( $\text{C}_7$ ), 122.3 ( $\text{C}_7$ ), 121.6 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 120.7 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 120.0 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 118.4 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 113.2 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 109.6 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 108.2 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 69.7 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 64.4 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 62.1 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ ), 54.9 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 46.8 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ ), 40.4 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ), 34.7 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ), 32.2 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ).

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 2931 (m), 1770 (s), 1611 (s), 1488 (s), 1399 (s), 1121 (m), 1066 (m), 741 (s).

HRMS (DART): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_4\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 401.1972, found: 401.1972.

TLC (70% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.18 (UV, CAM,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).



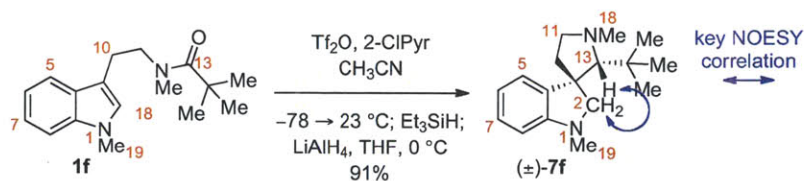


### **1,N-Dimethyl-N-pivalyltryptamine (1f):**

Sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 1.24 g, 31.0 mmol, 8.00 equiv) was added slowly over 5 min as a solid under an argon atmosphere to a solution of *N*-pivalyltryptamine<sup>16</sup> (**S4**, 946 mg, 3.87 mmol, 1 equiv) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (12.0 mL) at 0 °C, and the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to 23 °C. After 30 min, iodomethane (2.42 mL, 38.7 mmol, 10.0 equiv) was added slowly via syringe over 5 min. After 48 h, saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (20 mL) was added via syringe to quench the excess base, and the resulting biphasic mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was diluted with diethyl ether (250 mL) and was washed with water (2 × 200 mL) and brine (200 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, was filtered, and was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (20 → 40% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford 1,*N*-dimethyl-*N*-pivalyltryptamine (**1f**, 993 mg, 94.1%) as a viscous yellow oil. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY data.

<sup>1</sup> H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C):	δ 7.63 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.7, 1H, C <sub>5</sub> H), 7.28 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.2, 1H, C <sub>8</sub> H), (d, <i>J</i> = 7.7, 1H, C <sub>5</sub> H), 7.21 (app-t, <i>J</i> = 7.6, 1H, C <sub>7</sub> H), 7.10 (app-t, <i>J</i> = 7.4, 1H, C <sub>6</sub> H), 6.86 (s, 1H, C <sub>2</sub> H), 3.73 (s, 3H, C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ), 3.62 (t, <i>J</i> = 7.3, 2H, C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ), 3.05 (s, 3H, C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ), 2.99 (t, <i>J</i> = 7.3, 2H, C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ), 1.28 (s, 9H, C(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> ).
<sup>13</sup> C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C):	δ 177.3, 137.1, 127.9, 126.7, 121.7, 119.0, 118.9, 111.7, 109.3, 51.6, 38.9, 36.9, 32.7, 28.4, 23.4.
FTIR (neat) cm <sup>-1</sup> :	3054 (w), 2933 (m), 1623 (s), 1482 (s), 1403 (m), 1379 (m), 1328 (m), 1094 (m), 740 (s).
HRMS (DART):	calc'd for C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>24</sub> N <sub>2</sub> NaO [M+Na] <sup>+</sup> : 295.1781, found: 295.1771.
TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes), <i>R</i> <sub>f</sub> :	0.20 (UV, CAM, KMnO <sub>4</sub> ).

<sup>16</sup> For a previous preparation of amide **S4**, see Eichele, O.; Mutschler, E. *Archiv der Pharmazie* **1967**, *300*, 1038.



### Tricyclic indoline (±)-7f:

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (59.7  $\mu\text{L}$ , 355  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of 1,*N*-dimethyl-*N*-pivalyltryptamine (**1f**, 87.8 mg, 322  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (36.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 387  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.20 equiv) in acetonitrile (3.6 mL) at 0  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 10 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 20 min, triethylsilane (154  $\mu\text{L}$ , 967  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 3.00 equiv) was added via syringe. After 8 h, the reaction mixture was cooled to 0  $^\circ\text{C}$ , and tetrahydrofuran (3.0 mL) was added via syringe. After 30 sec, lithium aluminum hydride<sup>17</sup> (48.9 mg, 1.29 mmol, 4.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 10 min, sodium sulfate decahydrate was added to quench the unreacted aluminum hydride salts. The resulting suspension was filtered, and the filter cake was extracted with ethyl acetate (20 mL). The combined filtrates were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (0  $\rightarrow$  1.5% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford tricyclic indoline (±)-**7f** (76.1 mg, 91.4%) as a viscous, colorless oil. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  7.20 (d,  $J = 7.4$ , 1H, C<sub>5</sub>H), 7.10 (app-t,  $J = 7.7$ , 1H, C<sub>7</sub>H), 6.68 (app-t,  $J = 7.4$ , 1H, C<sub>6</sub>H), 6.49 (d,  $J = 7.7$ , 1H, C<sub>8</sub>H), 3.37–3.24 (m, 1H, C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>a</sub>), 3.18 (d,  $J = 7.9$ , 1H, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>a</sub>), 2.72 (s, 1H, C<sub>13</sub>H), 2.69 (s, 3H, C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 2.64 (s, 3H, C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 2.63 (d,  $J = 7.9$ , 1H, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>b</sub>), 2.54 (app-dt,  $J = 7.5, 12.2$ , 1H, C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>a</sub>), 2.42 (ddd,  $J = 5.9, 8.7, 12.2$ , 1H, C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>b</sub>), 1.71 (app-dd,  $J = 5.9, 12.0$ , 1H, C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>b</sub>), 0.68 (s, 9H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  155.5 (C<sub>9</sub>), 134.0 (C<sub>4</sub>), 128.1 (C<sub>7</sub>), 125.2 (C<sub>5</sub>), 117.8 (C<sub>6</sub>), 108.0 (C<sub>8</sub>), 80.4 (C<sub>13</sub>), 74.2 (C<sub>2</sub>), 55.4 (C<sub>3</sub>), 55.3 (C<sub>11</sub>), 48.1 (C<sub>18</sub>), 37.3 (C<sub>14</sub>), 37.0 (C<sub>19</sub>), 36.5 (C<sub>10</sub>), 27.2 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

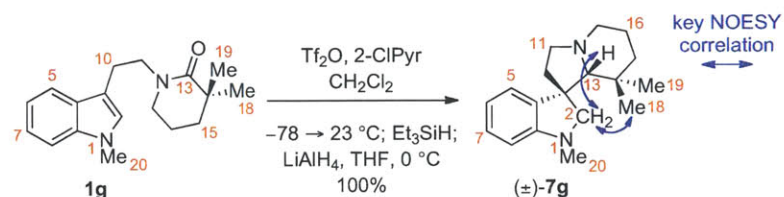
FTIR (neat) cm<sup>-1</sup>: 2953 (s), 2797 (s), 1606 (s), 1484 (s), 1461 (m), 1365 (m), 1269 (m), 1154 (m), 1047 (m), 965 (m), 740 (s).

HRMS (DART): calc'd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>27</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 259.2169, found: 259.2164.

TLC (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, 10% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.76 (UV, CAM, KMnO<sub>4</sub>).

<sup>17</sup> The use of lithium aluminum deuteride (98 atom% D) affords the C13-monodeuterated analog (±)-**7f**-d<sub>1</sub> ( $\geq 9\%$  deuterium incorporation at C13 and  $<5\%$  deuterium enrichment at C2 by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis).



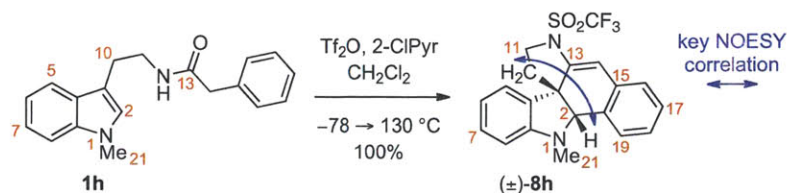


### Tetracyclic indoline ( $\pm$ )-**7g**:

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (10.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 60.7  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of  $\alpha$ -quaternary 1-methyltryptamine lactam **1g**<sup>18</sup> (15.7 mg, 55.2  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (11.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 121  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 2.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (600  $\mu\text{L}$ ) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 10 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 20 min, triethylsilane (26.5  $\mu\text{L}$ , 166  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 3.00 equiv) was added via syringe. After 2 h, the reaction mixture was cooled to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , and tetrahydrofuran (2.0 mL) was added via syringe. After 30 sec, lithium aluminum hydride (8.4 mg, 221  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 4.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 10 min, sodium sulfate decahydrate was added to quench the unreacted aluminum hydride salts. The resulting suspension was filtered, and the filter cake was extracted with ethyl acetate (20 mL). The combined filtrates were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (1% triethylamine, 10% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford tetracyclic indoline ( $\pm$ )-**7g** (14.9 mg, 99.8%) as an off-white powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

$^1\text{H}$ NMR (500 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ 7.15 (d, $J = 7.3$ , 1H, $\text{C}_5\text{H}$ ), 7.06 (app-dt, $J = 1.0$ , 7.6, 1H, $\text{C}_7\text{H}$ ), 6.61 (app-t, $J = 7.3$ , 1H, $\text{C}_6\text{H}$ ), 6.39 (d, $J = 7.8$ , 1H, $\text{C}_8\text{H}$ ), 3.50 (d, $J = 9.3$ , 1H, $\text{C}_2\text{H}_a$ ), 3.29 (app-dt, $J = 4.8$ , 9.1, 1H, $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_a$ ), 3.17–3.11 (m, 1H, $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_a$ ), 3.09 (d, $J = 9.3$ , 1H, $\text{C}_2\text{H}_b$ ), 2.71 (s, 3H, $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_3$ ), 2.20 (app-dt, $J = 6.6$ , 9.9, 1H, $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_b$ ), 2.09 (ddd, $J = 6.6$ , 8.8, 12.7, 1H, $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_a$ ), 1.92 (app-dt, $J = 3.1$ , 11.7, 1H, $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_b$ ), 1.87–1.79 (m, 1H, $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_b$ ), 1.81 (s, 1H, $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}$ ), 1.69–1.56 (m, 1H, $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_a$ ), 1.39–1.32 (m, 1H, $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_b$ ), 1.20–1.13 (m, 1H, $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_a$ ), 1.05 (app-dt, $J = 3.7$ , 13.3, 1H, $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_b$ ), 1.00 (s, 3H, $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_3$ ), 0.28 (s, 3H, $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_3$ ).
$^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (125 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ 153.0 ( $\text{C}_9$ ), 136.6 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 127.8 ( $\text{C}_7$ ), 126.7 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 117.4 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 106.6 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 82.1 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 67.8 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 56.0 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ ), 53.4 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 52.9 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 43.8 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 40.3 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ), 35.7 ( $\text{C}_{20}$ ), 34.3 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ), 28.8 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ ), 22.3 ( $\text{C}_{16}$ ), 21.7 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ).
FTIR (neat) $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :	2933 (s), 1605 (s), 1492 (s), 1386 (w), 1271 (m), 1163 (m), 1105 (w), 1023 (m), 740 (m).
HRMS (DART):	calc'd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 271.2169, found: 271.2170.
TLC ( $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ , 10% EtOAc in hexanes), $R_f$ :	0.60 (UV, CAM, $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).

<sup>18</sup> Lactam **1g** was prepared from the C14-didemethyl derivative by sequential treatment with excess lithium diisopropylamide and methyl iodide in tetrahydrofuran. For a previous preparation of the C14-didemethyl derivative of lactam **1g**, see Nagawa, M.; Kiuchi, M.; Obi, M.; Tonozuka, M.; Kobayashi, K.; Hino, T.; Ban, Y. *Chem. Pharm. Bull.* **1975**, *23*, 304.



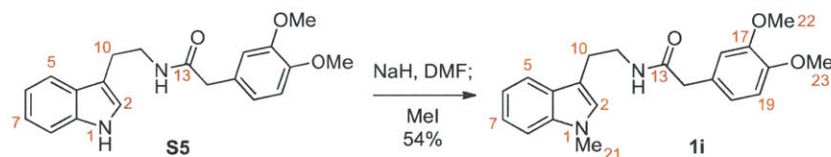
### Pentacyclic indoline (±)-8h:

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (38.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 228  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 2.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of 1-methyl-*N*-phenylacetyltryptamine<sup>19</sup> (**1h**, 31.8 mg, 109  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (32.7  $\mu\text{L}$ , 348  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 3.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.0 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction vessel was placed into a microwave reactor and heated to  $130 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction vessel was removed from the microwave reactor and allowed to cool to  $23 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  before triethylamine (500  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to neutralize the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts. Brine (10 mL) was added, and the aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (10 mL, then  $2 \times 5 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel ( $0 \rightarrow 20\%$  ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford spirocyclic indoline (±)-**8h** (44.1 mg, 99.8%) as an off-white powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

<sup>1</sup> H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C):	$\delta$ 7.43 (d, $J = 6.7$ , 1H, C <sub>19</sub> H), 7.14–7.05 (m, 1H, C <sub>7</sub> H), 7.14–7.05 (m, 1H, C <sub>17</sub> H), 7.14–7.05 (m, 1H, C <sub>18</sub> H), 6.98–6.93 (m, 1H, C <sub>5</sub> H), 6.98–6.93 (m, 1H, C <sub>16</sub> H), 6.63 (app-dt, $J = 0.9, 7.4$ , 1H, C <sub>6</sub> H), 6.49 (d, $J = 7.8$ , 1H, C <sub>8</sub> H), 6.38 (s, 1H, C <sub>14</sub> H), 4.80 (s, 1H, C <sub>2</sub> H), 4.04 (app-t, $J = 9.3$ , 1H, C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>a</sub> ), 3.94 (app-dt, $J = 5.7, 10.9$ , 1H, C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>b</sub> ), 3.38 (s, 3H, C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ), 2.23 (app-dt, $J = 8.6, 11.8$ , 1H, C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>a</sub> ), 2.12 (app-dd, $J = 5.7, 11.8$ , 1H, C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>b</sub> ).
<sup>13</sup> C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C):	$\delta$ 149.6 (C <sub>9</sub> ), 137.4 (C <sub>13</sub> ), 133.7 (C <sub>20</sub> ), 133.4 (C <sub>4</sub> ), 133.0 (C <sub>15</sub> ), 129.4 (C <sub>7</sub> ), 128.2 (C <sub>17</sub> ), 127.6 (C <sub>16</sub> ), 127.1 (C <sub>18</sub> ), 126.8 (C <sub>19</sub> ), 121.7 (C <sub>5</sub> ), 120.4 (q, $J = 324.8$ , SO <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub> ), 118.1 (C <sub>6</sub> ), 108.1 (C <sub>8</sub> ), 106.1 (C <sub>14</sub> ), 73.4 (C <sub>2</sub> ), 55.0 (C <sub>3</sub> ), 49.1 (C <sub>11</sub> ), 38.7 (C <sub>10</sub> ), 37.2 (C <sub>21</sub> ).
<sup>19</sup> F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C):	$\delta$ -75.0.
FTIR (neat) cm <sup>-1</sup> :	2911 (w), 1671 (m), 1605 (m), 1485 (s), 1399 (s), 1227 (s), 1194 (s), 1147 (s), 1039 (m), 746 (m).
HRMS (DART):	calc'd for C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>18</sub> F <sub>3</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S [M+H] <sup>+</sup> : 407.1036, found: 407.1026.
TLC (20% EtOAc in hexanes), R <sub>f</sub> :	0.56 (UV, CAM, KMnO <sub>4</sub> ).

<sup>19</sup> For a previous preparation of amide **1h**, see Ho, B. T.; McIsaac, W. M.; Tansey, L. W.; Kralik, P. M. *J. Pharm. Sci.* **1968**, *57*, 1998.



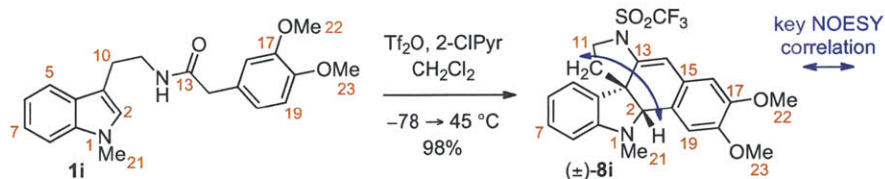


### **1-Methyl-N-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)acetyltryptamine (1i):**

Sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 147 mg, 3.68 mmol, 1.30 equiv) was added slowly over 5 min as a solid under an argon atmosphere to a solution of *N*-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)acetyltryptamine<sup>20</sup> (**S5**, 958 mg, 2.83 mmol, 1 equiv) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (25 mL) at 23 °C. After 30 min, iodomethane (230  $\mu$ L, 3.68 mmol, 1.30 equiv) was added slowly via syringe over 5 min. After 18 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and then diluted with diethyl ether (125 mL). The organic layer was washed with water (2  $\times$  125 mL), was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, was filtered, and was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (50% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford 1-methyl-*N*-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)acetyltryptamine (**1i**, 536 mg, 53.7%) as a white powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, and gHMBC data.

<sup>1</sup> H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C):	$\delta$ 7.50 (d, $J$ = 7.9, 1H, C <sub>5</sub> H), 7.26 (d, $J$ = 8.2, 1H, C <sub>8</sub> H), 7.21 (app-t, $J$ = 7.6, 1H, C <sub>7</sub> H), 7.07 (app-t, $J$ = 7.4, 1H, C <sub>6</sub> H), 6.74 (d, $J$ = 8.1, 1H, C <sub>19</sub> H), 6.65 (dd, $J$ = 1.5, 8.1, 1H, C <sub>20</sub> H), 6.62 (d, $J$ = 1.5, 1H, C <sub>16</sub> H), 6.57 (s, 1H, C <sub>2</sub> H), 5.61-5.42 (br-s, 1H, N <sub>12</sub> H), 3.85 (d, 3H, C <sub>23</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ), 3.73 (s, 3H, C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ), 3.66 (s, 3H, C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ), 3.49 (app-q, $J$ = 6.3, 2H, C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ), 3.44 (s, 2H, C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ), 2.86 (t, $J$ = 6.6, 2H, C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ).
<sup>13</sup> C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C):	$\delta$ 171.3 (C <sub>13</sub> ), 149.3 (C <sub>17</sub> ), 148.3 (C <sub>18</sub> ), 137.2 (C <sub>9</sub> ), 127.8 (C <sub>4</sub> ), 127.6 (C <sub>15</sub> ), 126.8 (C <sub>2</sub> ), 121.9 (C <sub>7</sub> ), 121.8 (C <sub>20</sub> ), 119.1 (C <sub>6</sub> ), 118.9 (C <sub>5</sub> ), 112.5 (C <sub>16</sub> ), 111.5 (C <sub>19</sub> ), 111.3 (C <sub>3</sub> ), 109.4 (C <sub>8</sub> ), 56.0 (C <sub>23</sub> ), 56.0 (C <sub>22</sub> ), 43.6 (C <sub>14</sub> ), 40.0 (C <sub>11</sub> ), 32.6 (C <sub>21</sub> ), 25.0 (C <sub>10</sub> ).
FTIR (neat) cm <sup>-1</sup> :	3293 (br-m), 2934 (m), 1645 (s), 1514 (s), 1465 (m), 1328 (m), 1262 (s), 1235 (s), 1156 (m), 1027 (s), 742 (m).
HRMS (DART):	calc'd for C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>24</sub> N <sub>2</sub> NaO <sub>3</sub> [M+Na] <sup>+</sup> : 375.1679, found: 375.1687.
TLC (50% EtOAc in hexanes), R <sub>f</sub> :	0.64 (UV, CAM, KMnO <sub>4</sub> ).

<sup>20</sup> For a previous preparation of amide **S5**, see Onda, M.; Kawanishi, M. *Yakugaku Zasshi* **1956**, *76*, 966.

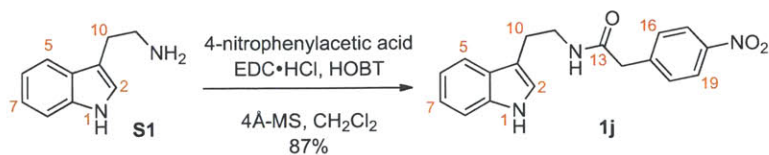


### **Pentacyclic indoline (±)-8i:**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (417  $\mu\text{L}$ , 2.48 mmol, 2.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of 1-methyl-*N*-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)acetyltryptamine (**1i**, 416 mg, 1.18 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (355  $\mu\text{L}$ , 3.78 mmol, 3.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (12.0 mL) at  $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $23\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction vessel was placed into an oil bath and heated to  $45\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ . After 3 h, the reaction vessel was removed from the oil bath and allowed to cool to  $23\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  before triethylamine (1.0 mL) was added to neutralize the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts. Brine (60 mL) was added, and the aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (60 mL, then  $2 \times 30\text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (10  $\rightarrow$  30% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford pentacyclic indoline ( $\pm$ )-**8i** (540 mg, 98.1%) as a tan powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

$^1\text{H}$ NMR (500 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , $20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ 7.11 (app-dt, $J = 1.2, 7.7$ , 1H, $\text{C}_7\text{H}$ ), 6.96 (d, $J = 7.3$ , 1H, $\text{C}_5\text{H}$ ), 6.94 (s, 1H, $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}$ ), 6.64 (app-dt, $J = 1.0, 7.5$ , 1H, $\text{C}_6\text{H}$ ), 6.51 (d, $J = 7.7$ , 1H, $\text{C}_8\text{H}$ ), 6.48 (s, 1H, $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}$ ), 6.29 (s, 1H, $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}$ ), 4.76 (s, 1H, $\text{C}_2\text{H}$ ), 4.03 (app-t, $J = 9.2$ , 1H, $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_a$ ), 3.93 (app-dt, $J = 5.9, 11.0$ , 1H, $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_b$ ), 3.84 (s, 3H, $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_3$ ), 3.79 (s, 3H, $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_3$ ), 3.37 (s, 3H, $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_3$ ), 2.24 (app-dt, $J = 8.4, 11.8$ , 1H, $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_a$ ), 2.11 (app-dd, $J = 5.6, 11.9$ , 1H, $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_b$ ).
$^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (125 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , $20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ 149.5 ( $\text{C}_9$ ), 148.7 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ ), 147.9 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ ), 136.2 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 133.8 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 129.4 ( $\text{C}_7$ ), 126.1 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 125.6 ( $\text{C}_{20}$ ), 121.7 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 120.5 (q, $J = 325.3$ , $\text{SO}_2\text{CF}_3$ ), 118.4 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 110.7 ( $\text{C}_{16}$ ), 110.7 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ), 108.5 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 105.7 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ), 73.6 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 56.3 ( $\text{C}_{22}$ ), 56.0 ( $\text{C}_{23}$ ), 55.0 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 49.1 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 38.6 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ), 37.4 ( $\text{C}_{21}$ ).
$^{19}\text{F}$ NMR (282 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , $20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ):	$\delta$ $-75.0$ .
FTIR (neat) $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :	2935 (m), 1670 (m), 1603 (m), 1516 (m), 1489 (m), 1396 (s), 1256 (s), 1225 (s), 1212 (s), 1148 (m), 1040 (m), 666 (s).
HRMS (DART):	calc'd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{22}\text{F}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 467.1247, found: 467.1232.
TLC (50% EtOAc in hexanes), $R_f$ :	0.64 (UV, CAM, $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).

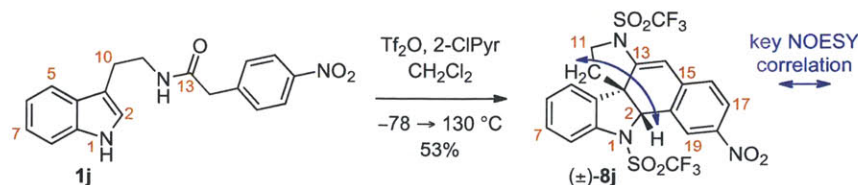




### ***N***-(4-nitrophenyl)acetyltryptamine (**1j**):

1-Ethyl-3-(3-dimethylaminopropyl) carbodiimide hydrogen chloride (EDC·HCl, 4.81 g, 25.1 mmol, 1.50 equiv) was added under an argon atmosphere to a solution of tryptamine (**S1**, 2.95 g, 18.4 mmol, 1.10 equiv), 4-nitrophenylacetic acid (3.03 g, 16.7 mmol, 1 equiv), *N*-hydroxybenzotriazole (HOBT, 3.39 g, 25.1 mmol, 1.50 equiv), and powdered 4 Å molecular sieves (3.0 g) in dichloromethane (100 mL) at 23 °C. After 48 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was diluted with ethyl acetate (275 mL) and was washed with aqueous hydrogen chloride solution (1N, 250 mL), saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (250 mL), saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (2 × 250 mL), and brine (250 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, was filtered, and was concentrated under reduced pressure to afford *N*-(4-nitrophenyl)acetyltryptamine (**1j**, 4.71 g, 87.1%) as a tan powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY data.

$^1\text{H}$ NMR (500 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20 °C):	$\delta$ 8.29–8.18 (br-s, 1H, $\text{N}_1\text{H}$ ), 8.05 (d, $J = 8.6$ , 2H, $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}$ , $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}$ ), 7.52 (d, $J = 7.8$ , 1H, $\text{C}_5\text{H}$ ), 7.35 (d, $J = 8.1$ , 1H, $\text{C}_8\text{H}$ ), 7.25 (d, $J = 8.6$ , 2H, $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}$ , $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}$ ), 7.21 (t, $J = 7.6$ , 1H, $\text{C}_7\text{H}$ ), 7.10 (t, $J = 7.5$ , 1H, $\text{C}_6\text{H}$ ), 6.89 (s, 1H, $\text{C}_2\text{H}$ ), 5.62–5.48 (br-s, 1H, $\text{N}_{12}\text{H}$ ), 3.59 (app-q, $J = 6.3$ , 2H, $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_2$ ), 3.53 (s, 2H, $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_2$ ), 2.95 (t, $J = 6.6$ , 2H, $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_2$ ).
$^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (125 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20 °C):	$\delta$ 169.3, 147.2, 142.5, 136.5, 130.3, 127.4, 124.0, 122.5, 122.3, 119.8, 118.7, 112.6, 111.6, 43.5, 40.3, 25.0.
FTIR (neat) $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :	3403 (br-s), 3293 (br-s), 2929 (w), 1652 (s), 1517 (s), 1457 (m), 1346 (s), 1109 (w), 743 (m).
HRMS (DART):	calc'd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}_3$ [ $\text{M}+\text{Na}$ ] $^+$ : 346.1162, found : 346.1150.
TLC (70% EtOAc in hexanes), $R_f$ :	0.25 (UV, CAM, $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).



### **Pentacyclic indoline (±)-8j:**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (110  $\mu\text{L}$ , 652  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 3.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-(4-nitrophenyl)acetyltryptamine (**1j**, 68.0 mg, 210  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (82.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 883  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 4.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (2.1 mL) at  $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $23\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction vessel was placed into a microwave reactor and heated to  $130\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 10 min, the reaction vessel was removed from the microwave reactor and allowed to cool to  $23\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  before triethylamine (500  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added to neutralize the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts. Brine (10 mL) was added, and the aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (10 mL, then  $2 \times 5\text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel ( $0 \rightarrow 10\%$  ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford pentacyclic indoline (±)-**8j** (63.7 mg, 53.2%) as a white powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  8.54 (s, 1H,  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}$ ), 8.05 (dd,  $J = 2.0, 8.2$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}$ ), 7.59 (d,  $J = 8.1$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{H}$ ), 7.33 (app-dt,  $J = 1.2, 7.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{H}$ ), 7.22 (app-dt,  $J = 0.8, 7.6$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}$ ), 7.18–7.10 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_5\text{H}$ ), 7.18–7.10 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}$ ), 6.55 (s, 1H,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}$ ), 5.74 (s, 1H,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}$ ), 4.20 (app-t,  $J = 9.5$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_a$ ), 4.01 (app-dt,  $J = 5.7, 11.1$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_b$ ), 2.51 (app-dt,  $J = 8.8, 11.9$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_a$ ), 2.22 (app-dd,  $J = 5.7, 12.1$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_b$ ).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  147.3 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ ), 140.3 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 138.8 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 137.8 ( $\text{C}_9$ ), 134.5 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 130.7 ( $\text{C}_7$ ), 130.1 ( $\text{C}_{20}$ ), 128.1 ( $\text{C}_{16}$ ), 127.7 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 125.0 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ ), 123.1 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ), 122.6 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 120.4 (q,  $J = 325.3$ ,  $\text{SO}_2\text{CF}_3$ ), 120.3 (q,  $J = 324.8$ ,  $\text{SO}_2\text{CF}_3$ ), 117.5 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 105.1 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ), 72.4 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 54.8 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 49.3 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 37.1 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ).

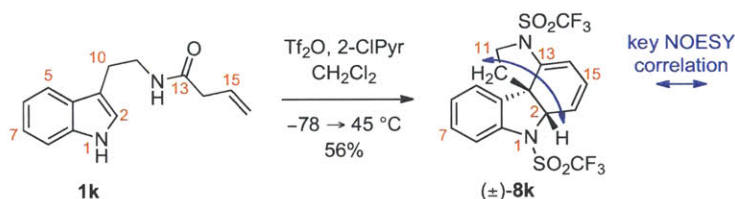
$^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$   $-73.9, -75.0$ .

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 2918 (w), 1666 (m), 1582 (m), 1524 (s), 1404 (s), 1340 (s), 1229 (s), 1203 (s), 1145 (s), 1077 (m), 666 (m).

HRMS (DART): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{14}\text{F}_6\text{N}_3\text{O}_6\text{S}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 570.0223, found: 570.0220.

TLC (10% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.15 (UV, CAM,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).





### Tetracyclic indoline (±)-8k:

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (199  $\mu\text{L}$ , 1.18 mmol, 3.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of *N*-vinylacetyltryptamine<sup>21</sup> (**1k**, 87.0 mg, 381  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (150  $\mu\text{L}$ , 1.21 mmol, 4.20 equiv) in dichloromethane (19.1 mL) at  $-78$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 2 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $0$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the reaction vessel was placed into an oil bath and heated to  $45$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 3 h, the reaction vessel was removed from the oil bath and allowed to cool to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$  before saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (30 mL) was added to neutralize the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts. Brine (40 mL) was added, and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3  $\times$  60 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (0  $\rightarrow$  5% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford tetracyclic indoline (±)-**8k** (102 mg, 56.4%) as an off-white powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 53  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$  7.55 (d,  $J = 8.1$ , 1H, C<sub>8</sub>H), 7.34 (app-dt,  $J = 1.4$ , 7.8, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>H), 7.20 (app-dt,  $J = 1.0$ , 7.5, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>H), 7.14 (d,  $J = 7.5$ , 1H, C<sub>5</sub>H), 5.97–5.91 (m, 1H, C<sub>15</sub>H), 5.87 (d,  $J = 6.3$ , 1H, C<sub>14</sub>H), 5.43 (dd,  $J = 2.2$ , 9.5, 1H, C<sub>16</sub>H), 5.39 (s, 1H, C<sub>2</sub>H), 4.06 (app-t,  $J = 9.6$ , 1H, C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>a</sub>), 3.92 (app-dt,  $J = 6.1$ , 10.8, 1H, C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>b</sub>), 2.33 (app-q,  $J = 10.9$ , 1H, C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>a</sub>), 2.11 (app-dd,  $J = 5.8$ , 12.2, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>b</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 53  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$  137.9 (C<sub>13</sub>), 137.7 (C<sub>9</sub>), 135.3 (C<sub>4</sub>), 130.2 (C<sub>7</sub>), 126.7 (C<sub>6</sub>), 125.8 (C<sub>15</sub>), 122.8 (C<sub>5</sub>), 121.1 (C<sub>16</sub>), 120.5 (q,  $J = 324.8$ , SO<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>), 120.4 (q,  $J = 324.3$ , SO<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>), 116.2 (C<sub>8</sub>), 101.6 (C<sub>14</sub>), 72.4 (C<sub>2</sub>), 53.6 (C<sub>3</sub>), 48.7 (C<sub>11</sub>), 37.3 (C<sub>10</sub>).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 53  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$   $-75.0$ ,  $-75.5$ .

FTIR (neat) cm<sup>-1</sup>:

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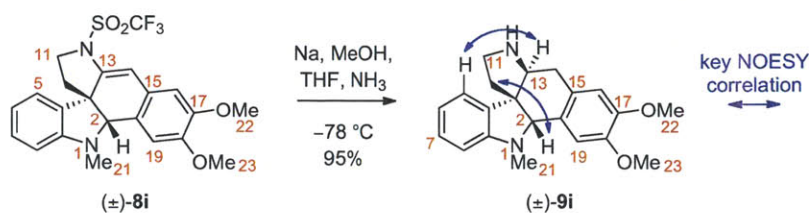
HRMS (DART):

calc'd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>13</sub>F<sub>6</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 475.0215, found: 475.0226.

TLC (20% EtOAc in hexanes), *R*<sub>f</sub>:

0.51 (UV, CAM, KMnO<sub>4</sub>).

<sup>21</sup> For a previous preparation of amide **1k**, see Airiau, E.; Spangenberg, T.; Girard, N.; Schoenfelder, A.; Salvadori, J.; Taddei, M.; Mann, A. *Chem. Eur. J.* **2008**, *14*, 10938.



### **Pentacyclic indoline (±)-9i:**

Sodium metal ingot (25.0 mg, 1.09 mmol, 9.91 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere to a solution of pentacyclic indoline (±)-**8i** (51.3 mg, 110  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and methanol (31.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 776  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 7.05 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (2.0 mL) and ammonia (2.5 mL) at  $-78$   $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4.25 h, ammonium chloride (150 mg) was added as a solid to quench the sodium salts, and the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^\circ\text{C}$  over 1 h. Saturated aqueous potassium carbonate solution (60 mL) was added, and the aqueous layer was extracted with diethyl ether ( $3 \times 50$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous potassium carbonate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (1.4% ammonium hydroxide [40% aqueous solution], 12.6% methanol, 30% dichloromethane in chloroform) to afford pentacyclic indoline (±)-**9i** (35.0 mg, 94.6%) as a yellow powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  7.16 (d,  $J = 7.2$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_5\text{H}$ ), 7.12 (app-t,  $J = 7.6$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{H}$ ), 6.80–6.75 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}$ ), 6.79 (s, 1H,  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}$ ), 6.77 (s, 1H,  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}$ ), 6.47 (d,  $J = 7.6$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{H}$ ), 3.91 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_3$ ), 3.88 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_3$ ), 3.81 (s, 1H,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}$ ), 3.37 (br-s, 1H,  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}$ ), 3.07 (dd,  $J = 3.7, 14.7$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_a$ ), 3.03–2.87 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_2$ ), 2.80 (d,  $J = 14.7$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_b$ ), 2.57–2.47 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_a$ ), 2.53 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_3$ ), 1.69 (app-dt,  $J = 12.8, 8.3$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_b$ ).

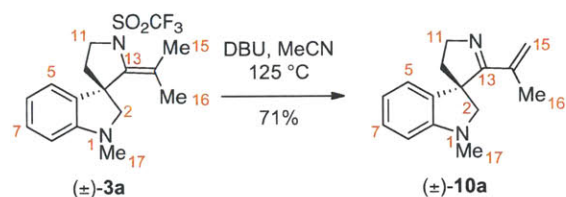
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  152.8 ( $\text{C}_9$ ), 149.1 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ ), 147.4 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ ), 136.0 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 128.9 ( $\text{C}_{20}$ ), 128.0 ( $\text{C}_7$ ), 125.7 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 122.8 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 119.1 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 114.3 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ), 113.6 ( $\text{C}_{16}$ ), 107.5 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 76.8 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 68.4 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 56.4 ( $\text{C}_{22}$ ), 56.1 ( $\text{C}_{23}$ ), 54.7 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 48.1 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 43.7 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ), 33.6 ( $\text{C}_{21}$ ), 31.8 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ).

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3335 (br-w), 2952 (m), 1606 (m), 1515 (s), 1486 (s), 1294 (m), 1250 (m), 1119 (s), 1022 (m), 742 (m).

HRMS (DART): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$  [ $\text{M}+\text{H}$ ] $^+$ : 337.1911, found: 337.1924.

TLC (2%  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  [40% aqueous solution], 18% MeOH in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ),  $R_f$ : 0.59 (UV, CAM,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).





### **Spirocyclic enimine (±)-10a:**

1,8-Diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene (DBU, 257  $\mu$ L, 1.72 mmol, 15.0 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of spirocyclic indoline **3a** (41.3 mg, 115  $\mu$ mol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (4.0 mL) at 23  $^{\circ}$ C. After 5 min, the reaction vessel was placed into a microwave reactor and heated to 125  $^{\circ}$ C. After 10 min, the reaction vessel was removed from the microwave reactor and allowed to cool to 23  $^{\circ}$ C and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (0  $\rightarrow$  10% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford spirocyclic enimine (±)-**10a** (18.3 mg, 70.6%) as a white powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and ROESY data.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20  $^{\circ}$ C):  $\delta$  7.09 (app-dt,  $J = 1.3, 7.7$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{H}$ ), 6.86 (dd,  $J = 1.3, 7.3$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_5\text{H}$ ), 6.63 (app-dt,  $J = 0.9, 7.4$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{H}$ ), 6.48 (d,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{H}$ ), 5.30 (s, 1H,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_E$ ), 5.19 (s, 1H,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_Z$ ), 4.05 (ddd,  $J = 4.5, 8.4, 16.6$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_a$ ), 3.86 (app-dt,  $J = 16.6, 7.4$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_b$ ), 3.61 (d,  $J = 9.4$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_a$ ), 3.35 (d,  $J = 9.4$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_b$ ), 2.80 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_3$ ), 2.32 (ddd,  $J = 4.5, 7.8, 12.9$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_a$ ), 2.18 (ddd,  $J = 7.2, 8.4, 12.9$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_b$ ), 1.97 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_3$ ).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20  $^{\circ}$ C):  $\delta$  176.0 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 151.8 ( $\text{C}_9$ ), 137.7 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ), 135.4 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 128.5 ( $\text{C}_7$ ), 123.2 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 122.5 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 118.3 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 107.3 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 65.1 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 61.1 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 57.9 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 43.3 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ), 35.7 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ ), 21.6 ( $\text{C}_{16}$ ).

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 2918 (s), 2849 (s), 1679 (m), 1605 (s), 1493 (s), 1463 (s), 1377 (m), 744 (m), 666 (s).

HRMS (DART): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 227.1543, found: 227.1554.

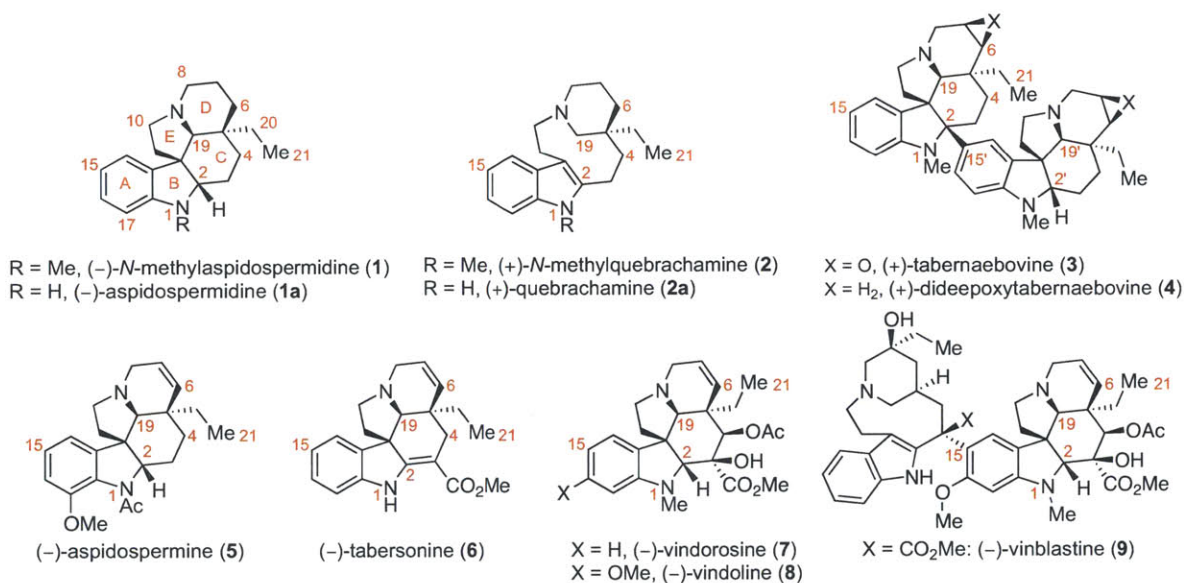
TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.38 (UV, CAM,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).

## **Chapter III**

# **A Concise and Versatile Double-Cyclization Strategy for the Highly Stereoselective Synthesis and Novel Arylative Dimerization of *Aspidosperma* Alkaloids**

## Introduction and Background

The monoterpene–indole alkaloids represent the largest family of alkaloid natural products, whose more than 2,000 members display a broad range of chemical diversity and potent biological activity.<sup>1</sup> The structural challenges presented by this family have long been a source of interest, resulting in the development of a variety of inventive synthetic strategies to access various family members. The biogenetically related natural alkaloids *N*-methylasspidospermidine (**1**), *N*-methylquebrachamine (**2**), and tabernaebovine (**3**) represent the *aspidosperma* subfamily of indole–monoterpene alkaloids (Figure 1).<sup>2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9</sup> The desmethyl



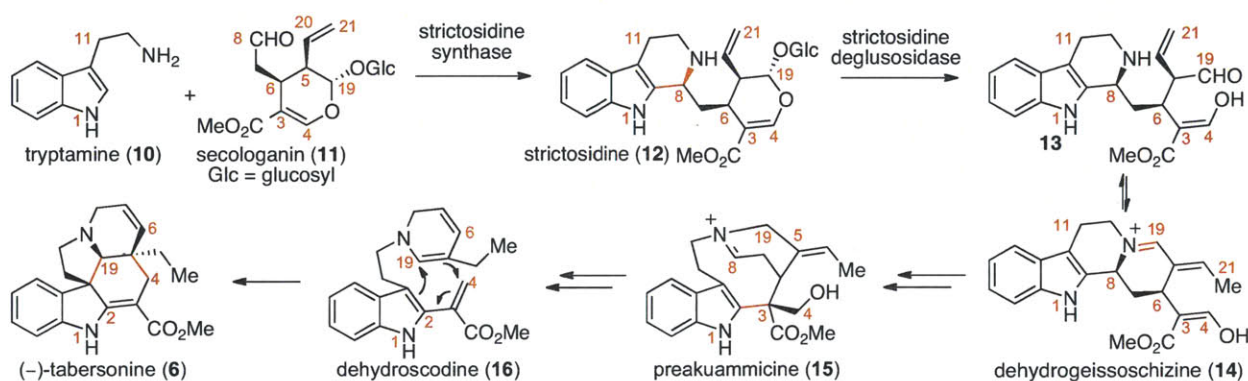
**Figure 1.** Representative *aspidosperma* alkaloids.

derivatives of **1** and **2**, aspidospermidine (**1a**) and quebrachamine (**2a**), are also natural products of the *aspidosperma* family. Aspidospermine (**5**) and tabersonine (**6**) represent further monomeric derivatives of **1**; tabersonine (**6**) is a key intermediate in the biosynthesis of the *aspidosperma* alkaloids (Scheme 1). Vindorosine (**7**) and vindoline (**8**) are skeletally functionalized derivatives of **1**, while dimeric alkaloid vinblastine (**9**), a potent oncolytic agent, is a dimeric natural product containing an *aspidosperma* alkaloid derived subunit. The dimeric alkaloid tabernaebovine (**3**), isolated from *Tabernaemontana bovina* in 1998,<sup>2n</sup> has a fascinating molecular constitution that exhibits a unique C2–C15' linkage between two pentacyclic *aspidosperma* skeletons. While elegant strategies for synthesis of other dimeric indole–monoterpene alkaloids have been reported,<sup>9</sup> no synthetic solution to the distinctive C2–C15' union present in **3** existed prior to our work. As an outgrowth of our laboratory's studies concerning electrophilic amide activation<sup>10</sup> and of our results discussed in chapter II, we were



inspired to develop a concise and convergent strategy for the enantioselective synthesis of alkaloids (–)-**1**, (+)-**2**, and dimeric (+)-dideepoxytabernaebovine (**4**).

The biosynthesis<sup>1</sup> of the *aspidosperma* alkaloids is known to begin from tryptamine (**10**) and geraniol derivative secologanin (**11**), and proceeds through the skeleton of the related *corynanthe* family of indole–monoterpene alkaloids followed by several structural rearrangements (Scheme 1). The first step in the biosynthetic route is the strictosidine synthase

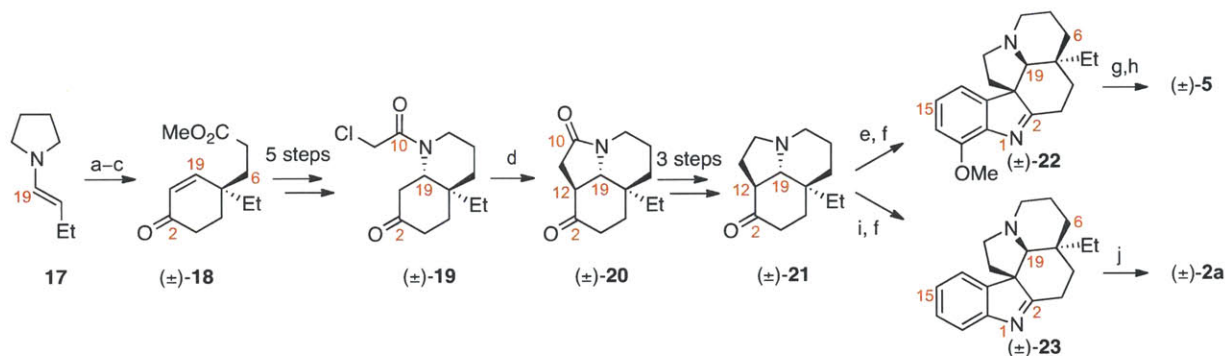


catalyzed Pictet–Spengler reaction between tryptamine (**10**) and secologanin (**11**), which affords strictosidine (**12**). Strictosidine deglucosidase acts on **12** to reveal an aldehyde intermediate **13**, which undergoes condensative N9–C19 double bond formation and isomerization of the C20–C21 olefin to give key intermediate dehydrogeissoschizine (**14**), an alkaloid of the *corynanthe* type. While the enzymes responsible for the remaining biosynthetic steps are not known, previous studies have allowed for a proposed sequence involving a retro-Pictet–Spengler reaction of **14** and subsequent C2–C3 bond formation to furnish prekuammicine (**15**), which undergoes a series of rearrangements to give dehydrosecodine (**16**). The final step is proposed to be an intramolecular Diels–Alder reaction to give tabersonine (**6**), which serves as a gateway into the biosynthesis of related *aspidosperma* alkaloids.

### Review of Prior Total Syntheses of *Aspidosperma* Alkaloids

The first total synthesis of *aspidosperma* alkaloids related to **1** and **2** was the seminal collective syntheses of (±)-aspidospermine (**5**) and (±)-quebrachamine (**2a**) reported by Stork<sup>6b</sup> in 1963 (Scheme 2). The synthetic route exploits the potential for interconversion of the aspidospermidine- and quebrachamine-type skeletons, allowing for the collective syntheses of both targets through late-stage divergence. Michael addition of enamine **17** onto methyl acrylate and in situ enamine hydrolysis, followed by enamine formation and a subsequent Robinson

annulation with methyl vinyl ketone, afforded C-ring containing enone ( $\pm$ )-**18** in 32% yield over three steps. Enone ( $\pm$ )-**18** was converted to bicyclic chloroacetamide ( $\pm$ )-**19** in five steps. Treatment of ( $\pm$ )-**19** with potassium *tert*-butoxide in benzene effected smooth C11–C12 cyclization to afford tricycle ( $\pm$ )-**20**. Reduction of the C10-amide over 3 steps

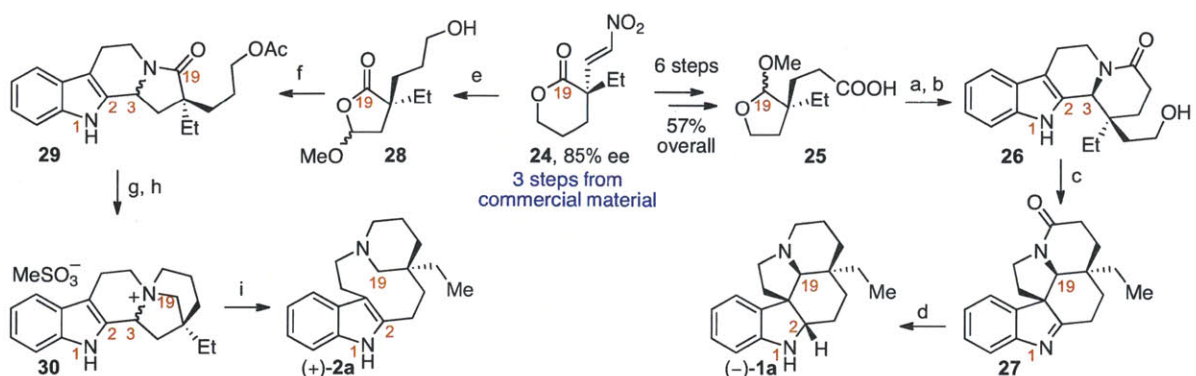


**Scheme 2.** Stork's seminal syntheses of ( $\pm$ )-aspidospermine (**5**) and ( $\pm$ )-quebrachamine (**2a**): a) methyl acrylate, 67%. b) pyrrolidine. c) methyl vinyl ketone; AcOH, 48% (2 steps). d) KO<sup>t</sup>Bu, PhH. e) 2-methoxyphenylhydrazine. f) AcOH, heat. g) LiAlH<sub>4</sub>. h) Ac<sub>2</sub>O. i) phenylhydrazine. j) KBH<sub>4</sub>.

afforded key tricyclic ketone ( $\pm$ )-**21**. A two-step Fischer indoleninization sequence between ( $\pm$ )-**21** and 2-methoxyphenylhydrazine afforded pentacycle ( $\pm$ )-**22** with inversion of the C19-stereocenter to the more stable natural configuration via a reversible C12–C19 retro-Mannich reaction; reduction of ( $\pm$ )-**22** with lithium aluminum hydride and subsequent acetylation of N1 afforded ( $\pm$ )-aspidospermine (**5**). Alternatively, Fischer indoleninization of ( $\pm$ )-**21** with phenylhydrazine afforded pentacycle ( $\pm$ )-**23**, which, upon treatment with potassium borohydride, underwent C12–C19 bond cleavage and reduction of a putative C19-iminium ion to afford ( $\pm$ )-quebrachamine (**2a**). The judicious exploitation of late-stage divergence to form both natural products from a common intermediate highlights the strategic sophistication of Stork's synthetic route.

Following Stork's seminal work, over two decades would pass before the first enantioselective total synthesis of **1a**, the *aspidosperma* alkaloid most directly related to (–)-**1**, was achieved by Fuji in 1987 (Scheme 3).<sup>5a</sup> Enantioenriched chiral lactone **24**<sup>11</sup> was converted in six steps to key acetal **25** in 57% overall yield. An acetic acid mediated Pictet–Spengler reaction of **25** with tryptamine (**10**) at elevated temperature and subsequent basic hydrolysis afforded *corynanthe* related tetracycle **26** in 42% overall yield. Trifluoromethanesulfonic acid mediated rearrangement of **26** afforded *aspidosperma* type pentacycle **27** in 60% yield, and subsequent reduction with lithium aluminum hydride afforded (–)-aspidospermidine (**1a**) in 81%

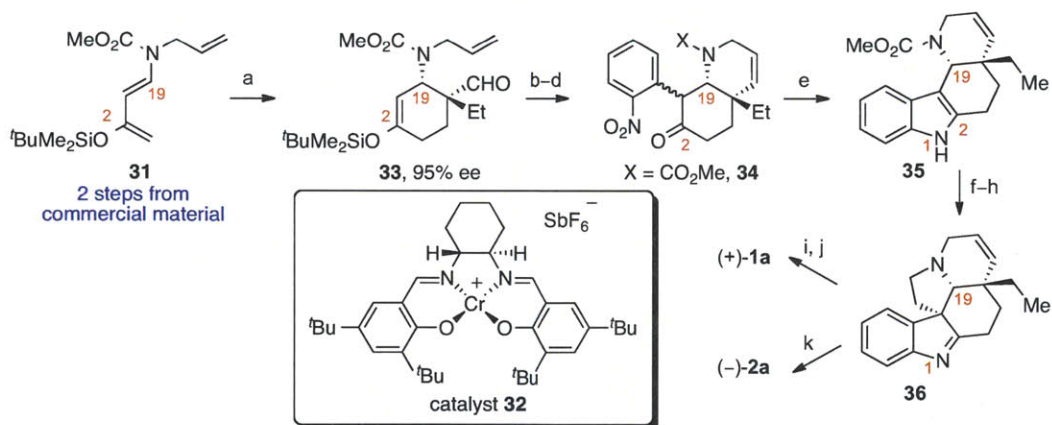




**Scheme 3.** Enantioselective total syntheses of (–)-**1a** and (+)-**2a** by Fuji: a) tryptamine (**10**), AcOH,  $\Delta$ . b) NaOH, MeOH, 42% (2 steps). c) TfOH, 60%. d) LiAlH<sub>4</sub>, Et<sub>2</sub>O, 81%. e) TiCl<sub>3</sub>, MeOH, pH 5. f) tryptamine (**10**), AcOH,  $\Delta$ , 84% (2 steps). g) LiAlH<sub>4</sub>, THF. h) MsCl, Et<sub>3</sub>N, CHCl<sub>3</sub>. i) Na, NH<sub>3</sub>, EtOH, 53% (3 steps).

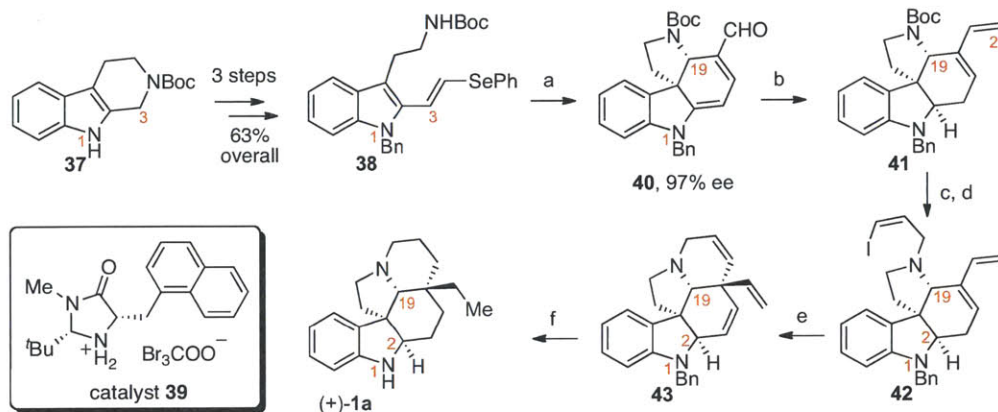
yield, completing the first enantioselective total synthesis of this alkaloid. Additionally, reduction of nitroolefin **24** with titanium trichloride afforded acetal **28**, which underwent a Pictet–Spengler reaction with tryptamine (**10**) to afford tetracycle **29** as a diastereomeric mixture in 84% yield. Conversion of **29** to quaternary ammonium salt **30** over two steps, followed by reductive cleavage of the C3–N9 bond under Birch conditions, afforded (+)-**2a** in 53% yield from **29**, thus completing the total synthesis. While Fuji’s collective approach to (–)-**1a** and (+)-**2a** does not benefit from the strategic late-stage divergence employed by Stork, the completion of the first enantioselective synthesis of (–)-**1a** in biomimetic fashion was a substantial step forward in *aspidosperma* alkaloid synthesis.

Two more recent examples of *aspidosperma* alkaloid syntheses demonstrate efficient



**Scheme 4.** Rawal's enantioselective total syntheses of (+)-**1a** and (–)-**2a**: a) ethacrolein, catalyst **32** (5.0 mol %), 4Å-MS, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 84%, 95% ee. b) Ph<sub>3</sub>PCH<sub>3</sub>I, <sup>n</sup>BuLi, THF. c) Grubbs' 1st generation catalyst (7.5 mol %), CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>,  $\Delta$ . d) (2-nitrophenyl)(phenyl)iodonium fluoride, THF, DMSO, 57–62% (3 steps). e) TiCl<sub>3</sub>, NH<sub>4</sub>OAc, acetone, H<sub>2</sub>O, 90%. f) Me<sub>3</sub>SiI, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>,  $\Delta$ . g) Br(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OH, Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, EtOH,  $\Delta$ . h) MsCl, NEt<sub>3</sub>; KO<sup>t</sup>Bu, 79% (3 steps). i) NaBH<sub>4</sub>, EtOH. j) H<sub>2</sub>, PtO<sub>2</sub>, EtOH, 73% (2 steps). k) H<sub>2</sub>, PtO<sub>2</sub>, AcOH, 69%.

approaches for asymmetric synthesis. Rawal's<sup>5f</sup> 2002 collective syntheses of (+)-**1a** and (-)-**2a** (Scheme 4) commenced with a catalytic enantioselective Diels–Alder reaction between superdiene **31** and ethacrolein promoted by Jacobsen's<sup>12</sup> chiral chromium salen catalyst **32**, affording monocyclic compound **33** in 84% yield and 95% ee. Elaboration of **33** to nitroarene **34** through Wittig olefination, ring-closing olefin metathesis and arylation, followed by reductive

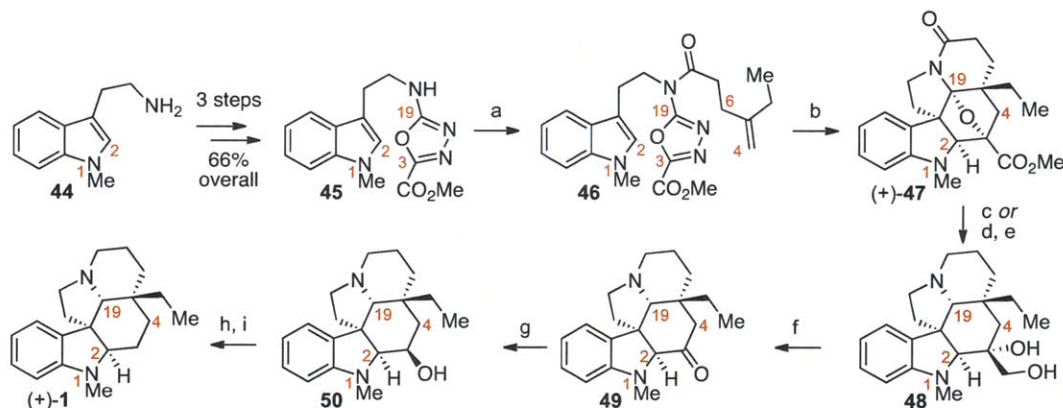


**Scheme 5.** MacMillan's enantioselective total synthesis of (+)-**1a**: a) propynal, catalyst **41** (20 mol %), PhMe, 83%, 97% ee. b) Ph<sub>3</sub>PCH<sub>3</sub>I, <sup>n</sup>BuLi, THF; NaBH<sub>3</sub>CN, AcOH. c) TFA, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. d) (Z)-3-bromo-1-iodopropene, K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, DMF, 73% (3 steps). e) (Ph<sub>3</sub>P)<sub>4</sub>Pd, Et<sub>3</sub>N, PhMe, 80 °C, 65%. f) H<sub>2</sub> (200 psi), Pd(OH)<sub>2</sub>, MeOH, EtOAc, 98%.

indolization of **34**, afforded tetracycle **35** in 51–56% overall yield. The C10–C11 ethylene group was installed in 79% yield over 3 steps in a sequence reminiscent of Stork's strategy to afford indolenine **36**. Reduction of indolenine **36** with sodium borohydride and subsequent catalytic hydrogenation afforded (-)-**1a** in 73% yield, completing a 12-step total synthesis. Catalytic hydrogenation of **36** in acetic acid afforded (+)-**2a** in 69% yield via a putative C19-iminium ion. Additionally, Rawal was able to access (+)-tabersonine (**6**) and other *aspidosperma* alkaloids via his route, highlighting the utility of late-stage synthetic divergence in a modern, asymmetric setting. MacMillan's<sup>51</sup> 2009 synthesis of (+)-**1a** (Scheme 5) centered on a key organocatalytic enantioselective Diels–Alder reaction/Michael addition cascade between 2-vinylindole **38** and propynal promoted by catalyst **39** afforded tetracycle **40** in 83% yield and 97% ee. Elaboration of **40** to vinyl iodide **42** and subsequent Heck cyclization afforded pentacyclic triene **43** in 47% yield over four steps. Exhaustive catalytic hydrogenation and hydrogenolysis afforded (+)-**1a** in 98% yield, completing a nine-step synthesis from tricyclic **37**. Their strategy was also applied to the synthesis of related *kopsia* and *strychnos* alkaloids through a similar key Diels–Alder reaction/Michael addition cascade.



Despite numerous previous total syntheses of *aspidosperma* alkaloids, prior to our work, no total synthesis of *N*-methquebrachamine (**2**) had been reported, and no enantioselective synthesis of *N*-methylaspidospermidine (**1**) had been reported.<sup>13</sup> The only synthesis of **1** was reported by Boger<sup>3</sup> in 2006 in the context of his groups' total synthesis of (+)-vindoline (**8**). Oxadiazole **45**, synthesized in three steps from *N*-methyltryptamine (**44**), was acylated with 4-methylenehexanoic acid in the presence of EDC•HCl to afford achiral intermediate **46** in 87% yield. Heating of **46** in refluxing 1,2-dichlorobenzene effected a unique [4+2]/[3+2] cycloaddition cascade to secure hexacycle (±)-**47** in 74% yield; separation of the enantiomers by chiral HPLC afforded (+)-**47**, which was reduced in a single step or through a higher yielding two step sequence to pentacyclic diol **48**. Oxidative diol cleavage with sodium periodate, ketone reduction with sodium borohydride, and a two step Barton-McCombie deoxygenation afforded (+)-**1** in 68% yield over four steps, completing a nine or ten step synthesis from *N*-methyltryptamine (**44**).

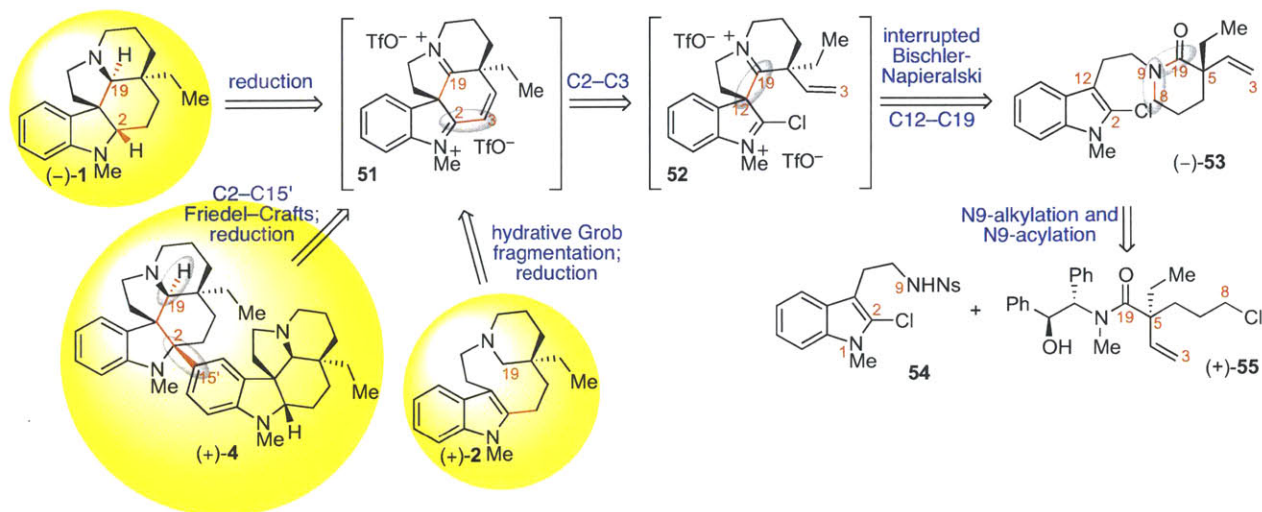


**Scheme 6.** Boger's total synthesis of (+)-*N*-methylaspidospermidine (**1**): a) 4-methylenehexanoic acid, 4-DMAP, EDC•HCl, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 87%. b) 1,2-dichlorobenzene, 180 °C, 74% of (±)-**47**; 37% of (+)-**47** after chiral HPLC separation of enantiomers. c) LiAlH<sub>4</sub>, 31%. d) NaBH<sub>3</sub>CN, HCl, MeOH, 96%. e) LiAlH<sub>4</sub>, 99%. f) NaIO<sub>4</sub>, 93%. g) NaBH<sub>4</sub>, 99%. h) LiHMDS, CS<sub>2</sub>; MeI, 77%. i) AIBN, <sup>n</sup>Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH, 96%.

In chapter II, we discussed the development of a methodology for the interruption of the Bischler–Napieralski reaction by intra- and intermolecular trapping of spirocyclic indoleninium ions. In this chapter, we discuss the development of a double-cyclization cascade based on our interrupted Bischler–Napieralski reaction methodology and its application to the previously unprecedented C2–C15' union of *aspidosperma* alkaloids in the enantioselective total synthesis of dimeric decacyclic product (+)-**4** in addition to enantioselective total syntheses of (–)-**1** and (+)-**2**.

## Results and Discussion

Inspired by precedence in biogenetically relevant dimerizations of other monoterpene-indole alkaloids,<sup>1,9</sup> we posited the biogenesis of (+)-tabernaebovine (**3**) to involve late-stage



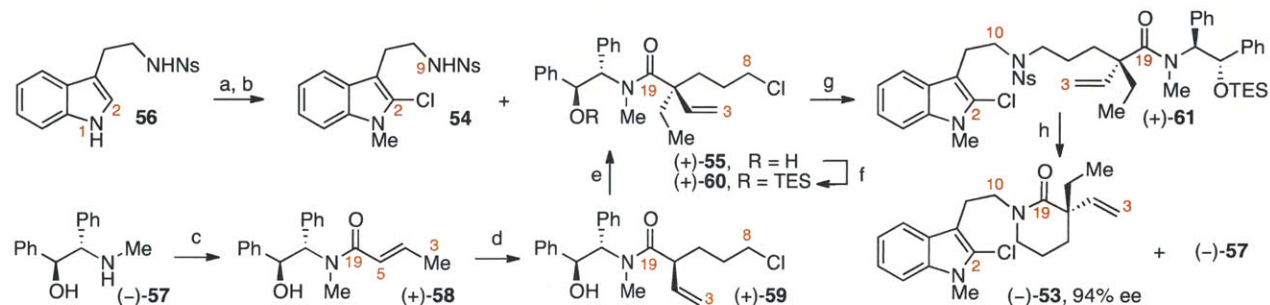
**Scheme 7.** Retrosynthetic analysis of the *aspidosperma* alkaloids.

union of two *aspidosperma* fragments at the C2–C15' linkage. This retrobiosynthetic analysis<sup>14</sup> prompted the development of a regio- and diastereoselective C2-arylation of pentacycle **51** (Scheme 7) en route to decacycle (+)-**4**. Based on our results discussed in chapter II, we envisioned that a highly electrophilic diiminium ion **51** would allow for stereo- and regioselective transformations that provide divergent access to didepoxytabernaebovine (+)-**4** as well as monomeric *aspidosperma* alkaloids (–)-*N*-methylaspidospermidine (**1**) and (+)-*N*-methylquebrachamine (**2**) (Scheme 7). We expected reduction of the diiminium ion **51** would afford (–)-**1**, whereas hydrative Grob fragmentation followed by reduction would afford (+)-**2**. We hypothesized that the diiminium ion **51** could be generated from lactam (–)-**53** via a novel, stereoselective double-cyclization cascade. We envisioned a transformation involving spirocyclization of an electrophilically activated lactam intermediate onto the 2-chloroindole and subsequent interruption of the Bischler–Napieralski reaction by cyclization of an unactivated C3–C4 vinyl group onto the C2-position of the putative 2-chlorospiroindoleninium intermediate **52**, a bond formation uniquely favored by the relative stereochemistry in **52**. The overall stereochemical outcome of the process would be secured from the resident stereochemistry of the C5-quaternary center. The requisite lactam (–)-**53** could be simplified via *N*-acylation and *N*-alkylation transforms to 2-chlorotryptamine sulfonamide **54** and  $\alpha$ -quaternary amide (+)-**55**, the



latter of which could be synthesized diastereoselectively via alkylative quaternization of an amide enolate.

The concise enantioselective synthesis of the key tryptamine–lactam (–)-**53** is illustrated in Scheme 8. Regioselective methylation of sulfonamide **56**<sup>15</sup> via its disodium dianion provided



**Scheme 8.** Enantioselective synthesis of lactam (–)-**53**: a) NaH, DMF, 23 °C; MeI, 0 → 23 °C, 91%. b) *N*-chlorosuccinimide, MeCN, 23 °C, 76%. c) *E*-crotonyl chloride, Et<sub>3</sub>N, THF, –30 → 23 °C, 97%. d) lithium 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidide, LiCl, THF, 0 → –78 °C; 3-chloro-1-iodopropane, –78 → 0 °C, 83%. e) lithium diisopropylamide, LiCl, THF, –78 → 0 °C; *N,N*-dimethylpropylene urea, –40 °C; EtI, –50 °C, 72%, >29:1 dr. f) triethylsilyl triflate, 2,6-lutidine, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 23 °C, 100%. g) (+)-**60**, **54**, KH, <sup>*n*</sup>Bu<sub>4</sub>NI, DMF, 100 °C, 86%. h) PhSH, K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, DMSO, 23 °C; KOEt, Et<sub>3</sub>N•3HF, EtOH, 85 °C, 95%, 94% ee, 99% recovery of (–)-**57**. DMF = *N,N*-dimethylformamide, Ns = 2-nitrobenzenesulfonyl, TES = triethylsilyl.

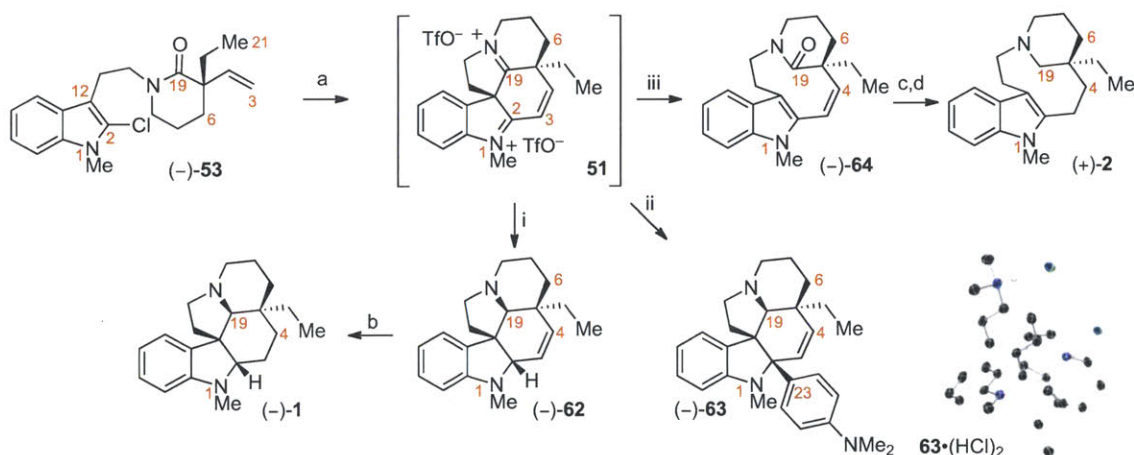
the requisite N1-methylated derivative in 91% yield.<sup>16</sup> Subsequent treatment with *N*-chlorosuccinimide afforded C2-chlorotryptamine **54** in 76% yield. The C5-quaternary stereogenic center that we envisioned would enable stereocontrolled introduction of all stereocenters found in alkaloids (–)-**1**, (+)-**2**, and (+)-**4** was secured by successive diastereoselective  $\alpha$ -alkylations of crotonamide (+)-**58**. Acylation of (–)-pseudoephedrine (**57**)<sup>17</sup> with *E*-crotonyl chloride gave the enamide (+)-**58** in 97% yield. Chemoselective  $\gamma$ -deprotonation of enamide (+)-**58** with lithium 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidide in the presence of lithium chloride,<sup>18</sup> followed by electrophilic trapping of the resulting enolate with 3-chloro-1-iodopropane afforded  $\alpha$ -vinyl amide (+)-**59** as a single diastereomer in 83% yield. Inspired by Myers' alkylative quaternizations<sup>19</sup> of pseudoephedrine amides and precedent for  $\alpha$ -alkylation of  $\alpha$ -methyl crotonimides,<sup>20</sup> we reasoned that deprotonation of  $\alpha$ -vinyl amide (+)-**59** would afford the corresponding enolate with the sterically less demanding vinyl group *cis* to the amide nitrogen. Alkylation from the less sterically shielded face of the enolate<sup>17,18</sup> would secure the desired C5-quaternary stereocenter. Gratifyingly, deprotonation of amide (+)-**59** with lithium diisopropylamide in the presence of lithium chloride, followed by electrophilic trapping with



iodoethane at  $-50\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  in the presence of *N,N'*-dimethylpropylene urea provided the  $\alpha$ -quaternary amide (+)-**55** in 72% yield with an excellent level of stereoselection ( $>29:1$  dr).<sup>16,21,22</sup>

Attempts to hydrolyze amide (+)-**55** to the corresponding carboxylic acid were unsatisfactory due to competitive lactone formation under either basic or acidic conditions. Initial efforts to couple  $\alpha$ -quaternary amide (+)-**55** with sulfonamide **54** via nucleophilic displacement of the C8-chloride proved inefficient; fast  $\text{N}\rightarrow\text{O}$  acyl transfer of amide (+)-**55** led to intramolecular *N*-alkylation. This propensity of amide (+)-**55**, however, could be used to our advantage for the synthesis of lactam (–)-**53** and recovery of the chiral auxiliary. Sequential treatment of sulfonamide **54** with potassium hydride and *O*-silyl derivative (+)-**60** in DMF in the presence of tetrabutylammonium iodide followed by heating to  $100\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  afforded *N*-alkylated sulfonamide (+)-**61** in 86% yield. Desulfonation<sup>23</sup> of (+)-**61** to the corresponding secondary amine and in situ desilylation and heating in ethanol afforded the key lactam (–)-**53** in 95% yield and 94% ee.<sup>16</sup> This single-step transformation, which occurs via a desilylation/ $\text{N}\rightarrow\text{O}$  acyl transfer/lactam cyclization cascade, also leads to efficient recovery of the chiral auxiliary (–)-**57** in 99% yield (Scheme 8).<sup>24</sup>

We next focused on the development of a unified strategy to access a versatile intermediate en route to alkaloids (–)-**1**, (+)-**2**, and (+)-**4**. Electrophilic activation of lactam (–)-**53** with trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride<sup>10,25</sup> initiated a double-cyclization cascade leading to the versatile diiminium ion **51** (Scheme 9). Guided by our methodology for the interrupted



**Scheme 9.** Synthesis of *aspidosperma* alkaloids by interception of diiminium ion **51**: a)  $\text{Tf}_2\text{O}$ , 3-cyanopyridine, MeCN,  $85\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ . i)  $\text{NaBH}_3\text{CN}$ , THF, 50%. ii) 4-( $\text{Me}_2\text{N}$ )- $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{MgBr}$ ,  $-40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ; Red-Al, 40%. iii) trifluoroacetic acid, sodium trifluoroacetate,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $70\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ , 57%. b)  $\text{H}_2$ , Pt/C, THF, 100%. c)  $\text{H}_2$ , Pt/C, THF. d)  $\text{LiAlH}_4$ , THF,  $65\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ , 82% (two steps).  $\text{Tf}_2\text{O}$  = trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride.

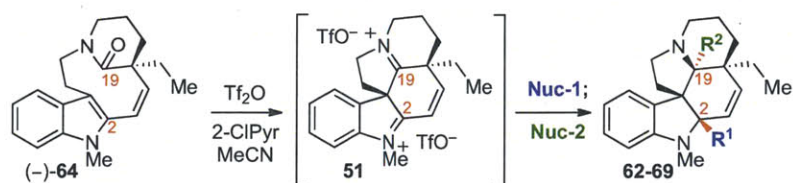
Bischler–Napieralski reaction discussed in chapter II and by our prior methodologies for azaheterocycle syntheses employing electrophilic amide activation,<sup>10</sup> we recognized the optimal conditions for conversion of lactam (–)-**53** to diiminium ion **51** involve the use of mildly basic additive 3-cyanopyridine in acetonitrile followed by warming. This transformation relies on C19-electrophilic activation of lactam (–)-**53** and rapid C12-nucleophilic spirocyclization affording the putative 2-chlorospiroindoleninium intermediate **52** (Scheme 7) that undergoes C2-addition by the vinyl group and loss of hydrogen chloride. The ability to employ an unactivated C3–C4 olefin as the nucleophile in the second cyclization is likely due to the enhanced C2-electrophilicity of intermediate **52** imparted by the chlorine atom,<sup>26</sup> together with a high resilience of **52** toward an undesired Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement.<sup>27,28</sup> Consistent with the sensitivity of this double-cyclization step, the use of less basic 2-chloropyridine or more nucleophilic pyridine as the additive gave the desired diiminium ion **51** with reduced efficiency as evidenced by the presence of singly cyclized side-products, recovered starting material, and significant decomposition.<sup>29</sup> The synthetic versatility of diiminium ion **51** is illustrated by its conversion to alkaloids (–)-**1**, (+)-**2**, and (–)-**63** (Scheme 9). In situ reduction of intermediate **51** with sodium cyanoborohydride furnished (–)-*N*-methyldehydroaspidospermidine (**62**) in 50% yield as a single diastereomer. Catalytic hydrogenation of *cis*-alkene (–)-**62** with a carbon-supported platinum catalyst afforded (–)-*N*-methylaspidospermidine (**1**) {[ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>24</sup> = –23 (*c* 0.17, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); lit. [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = –23 (*c* 1.1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>),<sup>3</sup> for (+)-**1**, [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = +24 (*c* 1.25, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)<sup>21</sup>} in quantitative yield (Scheme 9). All spectroscopic data for our synthetic (–)-**1** was consistent with those reported in the literature.<sup>3</sup> The concise enantioselective synthesis of lactam (–)-**53** combined with the double-cyclization strategy described above enables rapid access to useful intermediates with highly reactive C2- and C19-iminium functions.

The unique reactivity of diiminium ion **51** is demonstrated by its utility in a C2-arylation reminiscent of the C2–C15' bond adjoining the two halves of the complex natural alkaloid (+)-tabernaebovine (**3**, Figure 1). We reasoned that the vicinal C19-iminium ion of intermediate **51** would enhance the electrophilicity of the C2-iminium ion both inductively and by reducing the steric environment through the flattening of the DE–ring system. Gratifyingly, treatment of in situ generated diiminium ion **51** with 4-(*N,N*-dimethylamino)phenylmagnesium bromide at –40 °C for 30 seconds followed by addition of Red-Al afforded hexacyclic C2-aniline adduct (–)-**63** in 40% yield as a single diastereomer (Scheme 9).<sup>16</sup> The steric congestion about C2 in adduct

(-)-**63** is evidenced by the ~20 kcal/mol barrier to rotation<sup>16</sup> about the C2–C23  $\sigma$ -bond as measured through NMR coalescence temperature experiments. Also, heating an acidic aqueous solution of diiminium ion **51** to 70 °C effected Grob fragmentation to give the tetracyclic lactam (-)-**64**<sup>30</sup> in 57% yield in a single step from lactam (-)-**53**. Platinum catalyzed hydrogenation<sup>31</sup> of the C3–C4 olefin and subsequent C19-carbonyl reduction with lithium aluminium hydride at 60 °C provided (+)-*N*-methylquebrachamine (**2**) {[ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>24</sup> = +102 (*c* 0.22, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); lit. [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>24</sup> = +110 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)<sup>28</sup>} in 82% yield over two steps.<sup>16</sup>

With particular interest in evaluating this chemistry as a general entry to the synthesis of complex *aspidosperma* alkaloids, we investigated a series of C2-addition reactions of relevance in synthetic planning. Importantly, lactam (-)-**64**, requiring mild activation conditions, proved to be an excellent precursor to diiminium ion **51**. Treatment of lactam (-)-**64** with Tf<sub>2</sub>O–2-chloropyridine reagent combination<sup>10</sup> in acetonitrile (23 °C, 10 min) resulted in rapid stereo- and regioselective electrophilic transannular spirocyclization to **51** en route to various C2-adducts **62–69** (Table 1). Introduction of sodium cyanoborohydride afforded (-)-*N*-methyldehydroaspidospermidine (**62**) in 95% yield (Table 1, entry 1) consistent with efficient generation of the same electrophilic intermediate **51** accessed from lactam (-)-**53** (Scheme 9). The greater reactivity at C2 compared to C19 of diiminium ion **51** can be used for regioselective addition of the first nucleophile at the former.<sup>32</sup> For example, treatment of **51** with tributylstannane, followed by introduction of sodium borodeuteride, afforded C19-deuterated pentacycle (-)-**65** in 94% yield with no deuterium enrichment at C2 and 93% deuterium incorporation at C19 (Table 1, entry 2). Notably, the C2-arylated product (-)-**63** could be prepared efficiently from lactam (-)-**64** using 4-(*N,N*-dimethylamino)phenylmagnesium bromide as the first nucleophile followed by in situ C19 reduction (Table 1, entry 3, 76% yield). Alternatively, hexacyclic iminium triflate (-)-**66** could be isolated then reduced with sodium cyanoborohydride to (-)-**63** in a subsequent step (Table 1, entries 4 and 9). That this C19-reduction of pentacycle (-)-**66** occurs in the absence of an acidic additive is consistent with its spectroscopic data revealing its iminium ion structure.<sup>16</sup> It is notable that the ~12 kcal/mol barrier to rotation<sup>16</sup> about the C2–C23  $\sigma$ -bond in iminium ion (-)-**66** is significantly lower than in the reduced product (-)-**63** (vide supra), consistent with the aforementioned structural flattening effect of the C19-iminium ion. The high electrophilicity of diiminium ion **51** allows

**Table 1.** Regio- and stereoselective transformations of lactam (-)-64.



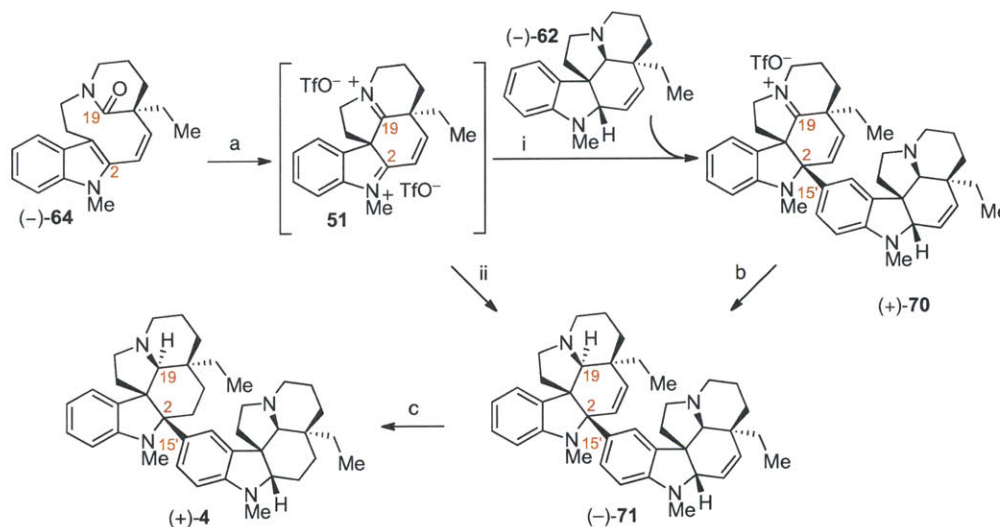
Entry	Nuc-1 <sup>a</sup>	Nuc-2	Product	Yield <sup>b</sup>
1	$\text{NaBH}_3\text{CN}$	-	(-)-62	95%
2	$n\text{Bu}_3\text{SnH}$	$\text{NaBD}_4$	(-)-65	94%
3		Red-Al	(-)-63	76%
4		-	(-)-66	76%
5		Red-Al	(-)-67	59%
6		$\text{NaHB}(\text{OMe})_3$	(-)-68	92%
7		$\text{NaHB}(\text{OMe})_3$	(-)-69	79%
8		$\text{NaHB}(\text{OHMe})_3$	(-)-63	74%
9		-	(-)-66	73%

<sup>a</sup>Grignard reagents at  $-40\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . Other nucleophiles at  $23\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . <sup>b</sup>Isolated yield of single diastereomer. <sup>c</sup>93% Deuterium incorporation at C19. 2-CIPyr = 2-chloropyridine.



for C–C bond formation at C2 with highly hindered and mildly nucleophilic species. Treatment of intermediate **51** with 2,6-dimethylphenylmagnesium bromide followed by hydride reduction afforded the highly congested xylene adduct (–)-**67** in 59% yield (Table 1, entry 5). The high degree of steric congestion about C2 in (–)-**67** is evidenced by the complete lack of observable C2–C23  $\sigma$ -bond rotation on the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR timescale, even at 140 °C. Reaction of **51** with 2-methylallyltrimethylsilane or 1-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)-1-methoxyethene and subsequent hydride reduction afforded methylallyl adduct (–)-**68** (Table 1, entry 6, 92% yield) or methyl acetate adduct (–)-**69** (Table 1, entry 7, 79% yield), respectively. The utility of this strategy to access C2-arylated derivatives is highlighted by a *Friedel–Crafts reaction* of **51** with *N,N*-dimethylaniline (23 °C, 90 min) and either in situ C19-reduction to provide C2-arylated amine (–)-**63** or isolation of the pentacyclic C19-iminium salt (–)-**66** (Table 1, entries 8 and 9, 74% and 73% yield, respectively).

With insight gained from these studies, *in particular entries 8 and 9 of Table 1*, we sought to implement this chemistry in effecting the dimerization of two pentacyclic *aspidosperma* type molecular frameworks at the challenging C2–C15' linkage (Scheme 10). In the event, electrophilic activation of tetracyclic lactam (–)-**64** followed by treatment with equimolar (–)-*N*-methyldehydroaspidospermidine (**62**) and heating to 85 °C afforded the decacyclic iminium triflate (+)-**70** in 80% yield. Subsequent C19-reduction of (+)-**70** gave (–)-didehydrideepoxytabernaevovine (**71**), which upon hydrogenation provided (+)-



**Scheme 10.** Synthesis of (+)-dideepoxytabernaevovine (**4**): a)  $\text{Tf}_2\text{O}$ , 2-ClPyr, MeCN, 23 °C. i) (–)-**62** (1.0 equiv), 85 °C, 80%. ii) (–)-**62**, 85 °C;  $\text{NaHB}(\text{OMe})_3$ , THF, 73%. b) Red-Al, THF, 0 °C, 73%. c)  $\text{H}_2$ , Pt/C, THF, 84%.



didepoxytabernaebovine (**4**) in 64% yield over two steps. Alternatively, in situ C19-reduction of dimeric iminium ion (+)-**70**, formed through the union of lactam (-)-**64** with (-)-*N*-methyldehydroaspidospermidine (**62**) as described above, with sodium trimethoxyborohydride directly afforded product (-)-**71** from (-)-**64** in 73% yield. Apart from increasing the electrophilicity of the vicinal C2-iminium ion, the C19-iminium ion may be responsible for reducing the nucleophilicity of the dimeric intermediate (+)-**70**, as no oligomerized products could be observed even when only one equivalent of (-)-**62** was employed as nucleophile.

## Conclusion

We have developed a concise synthetic strategy to access the *aspidosperma* type molecular framework employing a double-cyclization cascade that sets up to three contiguous stereogenic centers and forms up to three carbon-carbon bonds with complete regio- and stereochemical control in a single step. The use of the chiral auxiliary (-)-**57**<sup>17</sup> was critical in enabling our concise and enantioselective synthesis of the key intermediate (-)-**63**. The ability to use an unactivated olefin as a pendant nucleophile minimizes the need for functional group removal and allows for concise and convergent access to complex *aspidosperma* alkaloids. We have shown putative diiminium ion **51** to be a highly reactive and versatile intermediate, allowing the rapid enantioselective total syntheses of (-)-*N*-methylaspidospermidine (**1**) and (+)-*N*-methylquebrachamine (**2**) in 8 and 9 steps, respectively, from *E*-crotonyl chloride and (-)-pseudoephedrine (**57**), as well as previously unprecedented C-C bond formations onto the highly congested C2-position of the *aspidosperma* skeleton. The power of this synthetic strategy has been demonstrated in the first example of a C2-C15' dimerization of two *aspidosperma* type systems, a complex assembly drawing on biogenetic considerations of (+)-**3**, in the synthesis of (+)-didepoxytabernaebovine (**4**).<sup>33</sup>

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## Experimental Section

**General Procedures.** All reactions were performed in oven-dried or flame-dried round bottomed flasks, modified Schlenk (Kjeldahl shape) flasks or glass pressure vessels. The flasks were fitted with rubber septa and reactions were conducted under a positive pressure of argon. Stainless steel gas-tight syringes or cannulae were used to transfer air- and moisture-sensitive liquids. Flash column chromatography was performed as described by Still et al. using silica gel (60 Å pore size, 32–63 μm, standard grade) or non-activated alumina (80–325 mesh, chromatographic grade).<sup>1</sup> Analytical thin-layer chromatography was performed using glass plates pre-coated with 0.25 mm 230–400 mesh silica gel or neutral alumina impregnated with a fluorescent indicator (254 nm). Thin layer chromatography plates were visualized by exposure to ultraviolet light and/or by exposure to an ethanolic solution of phosphomolybdic acid (PMA), an acidic solution of *p*-anisaldehyde (anis), an aqueous solution of ceric ammonium molybdate (CAM), an aqueous solution of potassium permanganate (KMnO<sub>4</sub>), or an ethanolic solution of ninhydrin followed by heating (<1 min) on a hot plate (~250 °C). Organic solutions were concentrated on rotary evaporators at ~20 Torr (house vacuum) at 25–35 °C, then at ~1 Torr (vacuum pump) unless otherwise indicated.

**Materials.** Commercial reagents and solvents were used as received with the following exceptions: Dichloromethane, diethyl ether, tetrahydrofuran, acetonitrile, toluene, and triethylamine were purchased from J.T. Baker (Cycletainer<sup>TM</sup>) and were purified by the method of Grubbs et al. under positive argon pressure.<sup>2</sup> 2-Chloropyridine, *N,N*-diisopropylamine and *N,N'*-dimethylpropylene urea were distilled from calcium hydride and stored sealed under argon atmospheres. Lithium chloride was dried by the method of Myers et al.<sup>3</sup> and stored in a chemical glovebox. The molarity of *n*-butyllithium solutions was determined by titration against diphenylacetic acid<sup>4</sup> (average of three titrations). Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride was purchased from Oakwood Products, Inc.; all other solvents and chemicals were purchased from Sigma–Aldrich.

**Instrumentation.** Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (<sup>1</sup>H NMR) spectra were recorded with Varian inverse probe INOVA-500 and Varian INOVA-500 spectrometers, are reported in parts per million on the δ scale, and are referenced from the residual protium in the NMR solvent (CDCl<sub>3</sub>: δ 7.24 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>), benzene-*d*<sub>6</sub>: δ 7.16 (benzene-*d*<sub>5</sub>), CD<sub>3</sub>CN: δ 1.94 (CD<sub>2</sub>HCN), toluene-*d*<sub>8</sub>: δ 2.09 (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>5</sub>CD<sub>2</sub>H), DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>: δ 2.50 (DMSO-*d*<sub>5</sub>)). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift [multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, m = multiplet, br = broad), coupling constant(s) in Hertz, integration, assignment]. Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance (<sup>13</sup>C NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian INOVA-500 spectrometer, are reported in parts per million on the δ scale, and are referenced from the carbon resonances of the solvent (CDCl<sub>3</sub>: δ 77.23, benzene-*d*<sub>6</sub>: δ 128.39, CD<sub>3</sub>CN: δ 1.39, toluene-*d*<sub>8</sub>: δ 20.4, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>: δ 39.51). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift (assignment). Fluorine-19 nuclear magnetic resonance (<sup>19</sup>F NMR) spectra were recorded with a Varian Mercury 300 spectrometer, are reported in parts per million on the δ scale, and are referenced from the fluorine resonance of neat trichlorofluoromethane (CFCl<sub>3</sub>: δ 0). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift (assignment). Infrared data (IR) were obtained with a Perkin-Elmer 2000 FTIR, and are reported as follows: frequency of absorption (cm<sup>-1</sup>), intensity of absorption (s = strong,

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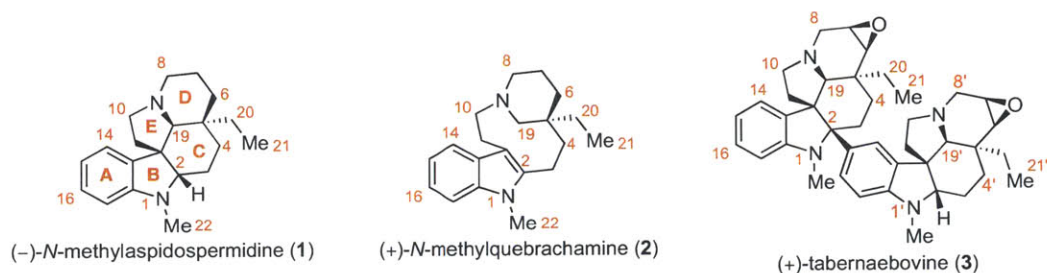
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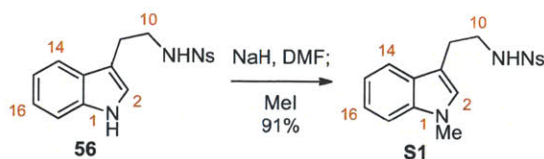
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**Positional Numbering System.** At least two numbering systems exist in the literature for the *aspidosperma* alkaloids.<sup>5</sup> For direct comparison between structures, the system employed by Yates for (-)-aspidophytine is optimal and is used throughout this report. In the case of dimeric structures such as (+)-tabernaebovine (**3**), the subunit bearing C15' substitution is given primed numbers.



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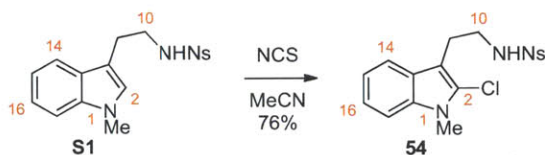


### **1-Methyltryptamine nosylamide (S1):**

Sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 1.06 g, 26.5 mmol, 3.52 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere to a solution of sulfonamide **56**<sup>6</sup> (2.60 g, 7.53 mmol, 1 equiv) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (28 mL) at 23 °C. After 20 min, the reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C. Iodomethane (470  $\mu$ L, 7.53 mmol, 1.00 equiv) was added dropwise via syringe over 5 min. After 3 h, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm slowly to 23 °C. After 6 h, saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (20 mL) was added via syringe to quench the sodium salts. The resulting biphasic mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was diluted with ethyl acetate (500 mL) and was washed with brine (2  $\times$  500 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, was filtered, and was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (30  $\rightarrow$  40% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford sulfonamide **S1** (2.46 g, 90.9%) as a yellow powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY data.

<sup>1</sup> H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C):	$\delta$ 8.00–7.95 (m, 1H, Ph <sub>Ns</sub> - <b>H</b> ), 7.65–7.60 (m, 1H, Ph <sub>Ns</sub> - <b>H</b> ), 7.59–7.53 (m, 2H, Ph <sub>Ns</sub> - <b>H</b> ), 7.29 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.6, 1H, C <sub>14</sub> - <b>H</b> ), 7.20 (d, <i>J</i> = 8.2, 1H, C <sub>17</sub> - <b>H</b> ), 7.17–7.12 (m, 1H, C <sub>16</sub> - <b>H</b> ), 6.96–6.91 (m, 1H, C <sub>15</sub> - <b>H</b> ), 6.84 (s, 1H, C <sub>2</sub> - <b>H</b> ), 5.36–5.30 (br-m, 1H, N <sub>9</sub> - <b>H</b> ), 3.68 (s, 3H, C <sub>22</sub> - <b>H</b> <sub>3</sub> ), 3.41 (app-q, <i>J</i> = 6.6, 2H, C <sub>10</sub> - <b>H</b> <sub>2</sub> ), 2.97 (app-t, <i>J</i> = 6.6, 2H, C <sub>11</sub> - <b>H</b> <sub>2</sub> ).
<sup>13</sup> C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C):	$\delta$ 147.5, 137.4, 133.4, 133.4, 132.7, 131.0, 127.8, 127.2, 125.5, 121.9, 119.1, 118.5, 109.7, 109.6, 44.0, 32.8, 25.5.
FTIR (neat) cm <sup>-1</sup> :	3339 (br-m), 3095 (w), 2934 (m), 1538 (s), 1407 (s), 1344 (s), 1167 (s), 739 (s).
HRMS (DART):	calc'd for C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>18</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> S [M+H] <sup>+</sup> : 360.1013, found: 360.1007.
TLC (50% EtOAc in hexanes),	R <sub>f</sub> : 0.38 (UV, CAM).

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### **2-Chloro-1-methyltryptamine nosylamide (54):**

*N*-Chlorosuccinimide (1.01 g, 7.57 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere to a solution of sulfonamide **S1** (2.47 g, 6.88 mmol, 1 equiv) in acetonitrile (120 mL) at 23 °C. After 1 h, saturated aqueous sodium thiosulfate solution (20 mL) was added to quench excess *N*-chlorosuccinimide. The mixture was diluted by addition of brine (125 mL) and dichloromethane (125 mL), and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane (2 × 125 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (20% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford sulfonamide **54** (2.06 g, 76.1%) as a yellow powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY data.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20 °C):

δ 7.96–7.91 (m, 1H, Ph<sub>Ns</sub>-**H**), 7.67–7.64 (m, 1H, Ph<sub>Ns</sub>-**H**), 7.59–7.53 (m, 2H, Ph<sub>Ns</sub>-**H**), 7.29 (d, *J* = 7.9, 1H, C<sub>14</sub>-**H**), 7.16–7.14 (m, 1H, C<sub>16</sub>-**H**), 7.16–7.14 (m, 1H, C<sub>17</sub>-**H**), 7.01–6.97 (m, 1H, C<sub>15</sub>-**H**), 5.38–5.30 (br-m, 1H, N<sub>9</sub>-**H**), 3.63 (s, 3H, C<sub>22</sub>-**H**<sub>3</sub>), 3.44 (app-q, *J* = 6.8, 2H, C<sub>10</sub>-**H**<sub>2</sub>), 2.98 (app-t, *J* = 6.8, 2H, C<sub>11</sub>-**H**<sub>2</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20 °C):

δ 147.6, 135.8, 133.8, 133.3, 132.8, 130.9, 126.2, 125.5, 125.0, 122.2, 120.2, 117.9, 109.4, 106.5, 43.6, 30.1, 24.8.

FTIR (neat) cm<sup>-1</sup>:

3354 (br-m), 2937 (m), 1537 (s), 1468 (s), 1332 (s), 1163 (s), 738 (s).

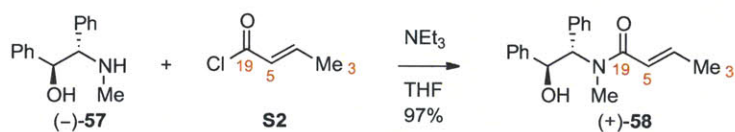
HRMS (DART):

calc'd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>17</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 394.0623,  
found: 394.0610.

TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes), *R*<sub>f</sub>:

0.35 (UV, CAM).





### **Crotonamide (+)-58:**

An ice-cooled solution of *E*-crotonyl chloride (**S2**, 1.28 mL, 13.2 mmol, 1.00 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (7.0 mL) was added slowly via cannula to a solution of amine (–)-**57** (3.00 g, 13.2 mmol, 1 equiv) and triethylamine (2.21 mL, 15.8 mmol, 1.20 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (40 mL) at –30 °C. The resulting mixture was allowed to warm slowly to –10 °C over 80 min and then allowed to warm to 23 °C. After 2 h, saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (20 mL) was added to quench the amine hydrochloride salts. The mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (600 mL), and the layers were separated. The organic layer was washed successively with aqueous hydrogen chloride solution (1N, 400 mL), saturated aqueous potassium carbonate solution (400 mL), and brine (400 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, was filtered, and was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was recrystallized from 40% ethyl acetate in hexanes to afford crotonamide (+)-**58** (3.78 g, 97.0%) as lustrous yellow needles.<sup>7</sup> Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY data.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20 °C, 6:1 atropisomer mixture, \* denotes minor atropisomer): δ 7.43–7.15 (m, 10H, Ph-**H**), 7.43–7.15 (m, 10H, Ph-**H**\*), 6.92 (dq, *J* = 15.0, 6.9, 1H, C<sub>4</sub>-**H**), 6.72–6.60 (m, 1H, C<sub>4</sub>-**H**\*), 6.21 (d, *J* = 15.0, 1H, C<sub>5</sub>-**H**), 6.20–6.13 (m, 1H, C<sub>5</sub>-**H**\*), 5.70 (d, *J* = 8.4, 1H, NC-**H**), 5.41–5.35 (m, 1H, OC-**H**\*), 5.34 (app-t, *J* = 7.8, 1H, OC-**H**), 5.24–5.18 (m, 1H, NC-**H**\*), 4.45 (d, *J* = 6.9, 1H, O-**H**), 3.18–3.10 (m, 1H, O-**H**\*), 2.93 (s, 3H, NC-**H**<sub>3</sub>\*), 2.91 (s, 3H, NC-**H**<sub>3</sub>), 1.87 (d, *J* = 6.9, 3H, C<sub>3</sub>-**H**<sub>3</sub>\*), 1.82–1.76 (m, 3H, C<sub>3</sub>-**H**<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20 °C, 6:1 atropisomer mixture, \* denotes minor atropisomer): δ 168.9, 168.9\*, 143.1, 142.1, 141.3\*, 140.8\*, 137.2, 136.6\*, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3\*, 127.9\*, 127.8\*, 127.8, 127.7, 127.2\*, 127.1, 127.0\*, 126.8\*, 122.7\*, 122.3, 73.9, 73.4\*, 66.0, 65.8\*, 34.3, 30.1\*, 18.5, 15.4\*.

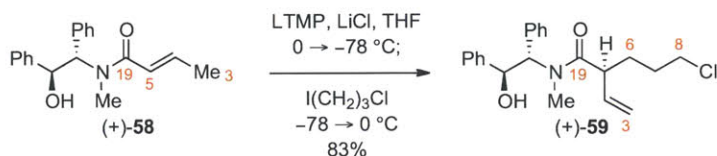
FTIR (neat) cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3395 (br-s), 3031 (w), 1656 (s), 1597 (s), 1062 (m), 699 (m).

HRMS (DART): calc'd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 296.1645, found: 296.1640.

[α]<sub>D</sub><sup>24</sup>: +199 (*c* = 0.41, CHCl<sub>3</sub>).

TLC (50% EtOAc in hexanes), *R*<sub>f</sub>: 0.20 (UV, KMnO<sub>4</sub>).

<sup>7</sup> For a synthesis of a related unsaturated pseudoephedrine amide, see Yang, B. H. Ph.D. thesis, Harvard University, 1997.



### Vinyl tertiary amide (+)-59:

2,2,6,6-Tetramethylpiperidine (2.12 mL, 12.5 mmol, 2.30 equiv) was added via syringe to a suspension of lithium chloride (1.39 g, 32.7 mmol, 6.00 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (6.0 mL) at  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . A solution of *n*-butyllithium (2.01 M in hexanes, 5.56 mL, 11.2 mmol, 2.06 equiv) was added via syringe, and the resulting mixture was warmed to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 20 min, an ice-cooled solution of crotonamide (+)-58 (1.61 g, 5.45 mmol, 1 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (15 mL) was added via cannula. The transfer was quantitated with additional tetrahydrofuran ( $2 \times 2.5 \text{ mL}$ ). After 10 min, the reaction mixture was cooled to  $-78 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 10 min, 3-chloro-1-iodopropane (1.17 mL, 10.9 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added via syringe. After 40 min, the reaction mixture was warmed to  $0 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ . After 4.5 h, saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (40 mL) was added to quench the lithium alkoxide salts. Brine (85 mL) and ethyl acetate (125 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with ethyl acetate ( $2 \times 125 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (20  $\rightarrow$  30% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford vinyl tertiary amide (+)-59 (1.69 g, 83.4%) as a colorless gum.<sup>8</sup> Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY data.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , 4.6:1 atropisomer mixture, \* denotes minor atropisomer):  $\delta$  7.47–7.22 (m, 10H, Ph-H), 7.47–7.22 (m, 10H, Ph-H\*), 5.88–5.79 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_4$ -H\*), 5.79–5.72 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_4$ -H), 5.65 (d,  $J = 7.4$ , 1H, NC-H), 5.49 (dd,  $J = 1.6, 6.5$ , 1H, OC-H\*), 5.40 (app-t,  $J = 7.2$ , 1H, OC-H), 5.34 (d,  $J = 6.5$ , 1H, NC-H\*), 5.19 (app-d,  $J = 10.3$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_3$ -H<sub>E</sub>), 5.15, (app-d,  $J = 17.2$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_3$ -H<sub>Z</sub>), 5.14–5.08 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_3$ -H<sub>2</sub>\*), 4.05 (br-s, 1H, O-H), 3.59–3.53 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_8$ -H<sub>2</sub>), 3.51–3.44 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_8$ -H<sub>2</sub>\*), 3.22 (app-q,  $J = 7.1$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_5$ -H), 3.15 (app-q,  $J = 7.3$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_5$ -H\*), 2.94 (s, 3H, NC-H<sub>3</sub>), 2.90, (s, 3H, NC-H<sub>3</sub>\*), 2.34 (br-d,  $J = 1.6$ , 1H, O-H\*), 1.96–1.82 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_6$ -H<sub>2</sub>), 1.96–1.82 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_7$ -H<sub>2</sub>), 1.77–1.59 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_6$ -H<sub>2</sub>\*), 1.77–1.59 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_7$ -H<sub>2</sub>\*).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , 4.6:1 atropisomer mixture, \* denotes minor atropisomer):  $\delta$  174.9, 174.2\*, 142.0, 141.8\*, 137.8\*, 137.1, 137.0\*, 136.2, 129.0\*, 128.8\*, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 127.9, 127.8, 127.1\*, 126.8, 117.8\*, 117.7, 73.8, 73.5\*, 66.1, 64.2\*, 47.4, 47.2\*, 45.1\*, 44.9, 34.6, 31.0\*, 30.4\*, 30.3, 30.0\*, 29.8.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3382 (s), 3031 (w), 2958 (w), 1619 (s), 1451 (m), 1403 (m), 1063 (m), 700 (s).

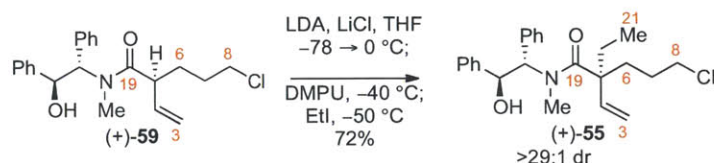
<sup>8</sup> For  $\alpha$ -alkylation of related pseudoephedrine amides, see Yang, B. H. Ph.D. thesis, Harvard University, 1997.

HRMS (DART): calc'd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>27</sub>ClNO<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 372.1725,  
found: 372.1738.

[ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>24</sup>: +122 (*c* = 0.37, CHCl<sub>3</sub>).

TLC (40% EtOAc in hexanes), *R*<sub>f</sub>: 0.51 (UV, KMnO<sub>4</sub>).





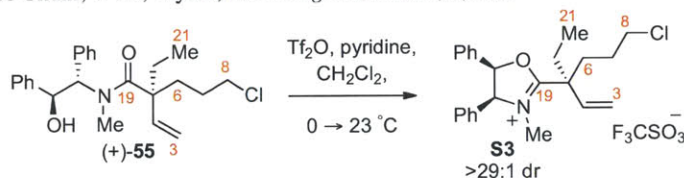
### $\alpha$ -Quaternary amide (+)-55:

*N,N*-Diisopropylamine (531  $\mu$ L, 3.79 mmol, 2.26 equiv) was added via syringe to a suspension of lithium chloride (428 mg, 10.1 mmol, 6.01 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (3.0 mL) at  $-78$   $^{\circ}$ C. A solution of *n*-butyllithium (2.25 M in hexanes, 1.55 mL, 3.48 mmol, 2.07 equiv) was added via syringe, and the resulting mixture was warmed to  $0$   $^{\circ}$ C. After 5 min, the resulting solution was cooled to  $-78$   $^{\circ}$ C. An ice-cooled solution of vinyl tertiary amide (+)-59 (625 mg, 1.68 mmol, 1 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (5.0 mL) was added via cannula.<sup>9</sup> The transfer was quantitated with additional tetrahydrofuran ( $2 \times 1.0$  mL), and the resulting mixture was warmed to  $0$   $^{\circ}$ C. After 1 h, the reaction mixture was cooled to  $-40$   $^{\circ}$ C, and *N,N'*-dimethylpropylene urea (507  $\mu$ L, 4.21 mmol, 2.51 equiv) was added via syringe. After 10 min, the reaction mixture was cooled to  $-60$   $^{\circ}$ C, and iodoethane (1.01 mL, 12.6 mmol, 7.50 equiv) was added slowly via syringe. After 5 min, the reaction mixture was warmed to  $-50$   $^{\circ}$ C. After 42 h, saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (5 mL) was added to quench the lithium alkoxide salts, and the resulting biphasic mixture was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^{\circ}$ C. Brine (55 mL) and dichloromethane (60 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane ( $3 \times 60$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel ( $10 \rightarrow 18\%$  ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford  $\alpha$ -quaternary amide (+)-55 (484 mg, 72.0%) as a colorless gum. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY data. The diastereomeric ratio of the purified  $\alpha$ -quaternary amide (+)-55 was determined to be  $>29:1$  by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis of the oxazolinium trifluoromethanesulfonate derivative **S3**.<sup>10</sup>

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ,  $73$   $^{\circ}$ C):  $\delta$  7.32 (d,  $J = 7.6$ , 2H, Ph-H), 7.28 (d,  $J = 7.5$ , 2H, Ph-H), 7.10–7.02 (m, 4H, Ph-H), 7.02–6.95 (m, 2H, Ph-H),

<sup>9</sup> We are grateful to professor Myers and co-workers for sharing their new asymmetric alkylation methodology in advance of publication: (a) *Personal communication*, Myers, A. G. **2011**. (b) Morales, M. R.; Mellem, K. T.; Myers, A. G. *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2012**, *51*, 4568.

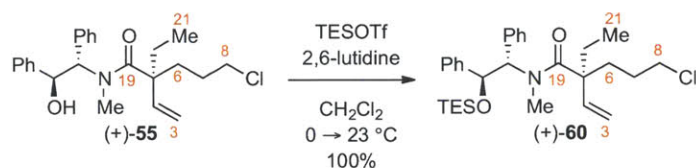
<sup>10</sup> The diastereomeric ratio of the product (+)-55 was determined by its conversion to the corresponding  $\alpha$ -quaternary oxazolinium trifluoromethanesulfonate **S3**; see Chain, W. J.; Myers, A. G. *Org. Lett.* **2007**, *9*, 355.



A sample of **S3** was prepared as follows: Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (2.3  $\mu$ L, 14  $\mu$ mol, 1.5 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of  $\alpha$ -quaternary amide (+)-55 (3.7 mg, 9.3  $\mu$ mol, 1 equiv) and pyridine (2.2  $\mu$ L, 28  $\mu$ mol, 3.0 equiv) in dichloromethane (1.0 mL) at  $0$   $^{\circ}$ C. After 10 min, the solution was allowed to warm to  $23$   $^{\circ}$ C. After 10 min the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  for  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY experiments.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $20$   $^{\circ}$ C,  $>29:1$  diastereomer mixture, \* denotes minor diastereomer):  $\delta$  7.21–7.10 (m, 6H, Ph-H), 7.21–7.10 (m, 6H, Ph-H\*), 6.98–6.92 (m, 2H, Ph-H), 6.98–6.92 (m, 2H, Ph-H\*), 6.98–6.92 (m, 1H, NC-H), 6.98–6.92 (m, 1H, NC-H\*), 6.88–6.83 (m, 2H, Ph-H), 6.88–6.83 (m, 2H, Ph-H\*), 6.32 (d,  $J = 11.9$ , 1H, OC-H\*), 6.24 (d,  $J = 10.9$ , 1H, OC-H), 6.18 (dd,  $J = 10.8$ , 17.7, 1H,  $\text{C}_4$ -H), 6.10 (dd,  $J = 10.9$ , 17.7, 1H,  $\text{C}_4$ -H), 5.69 (d,  $J = 10.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_3$ -H<sub>E</sub>), 5.68 (d,  $J = 10.9$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_3$ -H<sub>E</sub>\*), 5.52 (d,  $J = 17.7$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_3$ -H<sub>Z</sub>), 5.50 (d,  $J = 17.7$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_3$ -H<sub>Z</sub>\*), 3.76–3.68 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8$ -H<sub>a</sub>), 3.76–3.68 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8$ -H<sub>a</sub>\*), 3.67–3.59 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8$ -H<sub>b</sub>), 3.67–3.59 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8$ -H<sub>b</sub>\*), 3.39 (s, 3H, NC-H<sub>3</sub>), 3.37 (s, 3H, NC-H<sub>3</sub>\*), 2.30–2.04 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_6$ -H<sub>2</sub>), 2.30–2.04 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_6$ -H<sub>2</sub>\*), 2.30–2.04 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_7$ -H<sub>2</sub>), 2.30–2.04 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_7$ -H<sub>2</sub>\*), 2.04–1.94 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_2$ -H<sub>a</sub>), 2.04–1.94 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_2$ -H<sub>a</sub>\*), 1.92–1.82 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_2$ -H<sub>b</sub>), 1.92–1.82 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_2$ -H<sub>b</sub>\*), 1.15 (t,  $J = 7.5$ , 3H,  $\text{C}_{21}$ -H<sub>3</sub>), 1.06 (t,  $J = 7.5$ , 3H,  $\text{C}_{21}$ -H<sub>3</sub>).

	5.91 (d, $J = 8.1$ , 1H, NC-H), 5.69 (dd, $J = 10.9$ , 17.8, 1H, C <sub>4</sub> -H), 5.22 (d, $J = 8.1$ , 1H, OC-H), 4.92 (app-d, $J = 10.9$ , 1H, C <sub>3</sub> -H <sub>e</sub> ), 4.84 (app-d, $J = 17.8$ , 1H, C <sub>3</sub> -H <sub>d</sub> ), 3.38-3.27 (br-s, 1H, O-H), 3.27-3.16 (m, 2H, C <sub>8</sub> -H <sub>2</sub> ), 2.74 (s, 3H, NC-H <sub>3</sub> ), 1.89-1.79 (m, 1H, C <sub>6</sub> -H <sub>a</sub> ), 1.73-1.49 (m, 1H, C <sub>6</sub> -H <sub>b</sub> ), 1.73-1.49 (m, 2H, C <sub>7</sub> -H <sub>2</sub> ), 1.73-1.49 (m, 2H, C <sub>20</sub> -H <sub>2</sub> ), 0.76 (t, $J = 7.4$ , 3H, C <sub>21</sub> -H <sub>3</sub> ).
<sup>13</sup> C NMR (125 MHz, C <sub>6</sub> D <sub>6</sub> , 73 °C):	δ 175.8, 143.4, 142.6, 138.9, 129.6, 128.8, 128.7, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 114.2, 74.2, 66.4, 53.2, 46.1, 34.8, 34.2, 29.3, 28.5, 9.0.
FTIR (neat) cm <sup>-1</sup> :	3407 (br-s), 2965 (m), 1607 (s), 1451 (m), 1391 (m), 1083 (m), 699 (s).
HRMS (DART):	calc'd for C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>31</sub> ClNO <sub>2</sub> [M+H] <sup>+</sup> : 400.2038, found: 400.2056.
[α] <sub>D</sub> <sup>24</sup> :	+92 ( $c = 0.44$ , CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> ).
TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes), R <sub>f</sub> :	0.39 (UV, KMnO <sub>4</sub> ).





### **O-Silylated $\alpha$ -quaternary amide (+)-60:**

Triethylsilyltrifluoromethanesulfonate (535  $\mu$ L, 2.37 mmol, 2.00 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of  $\alpha$ -quaternary amide (+)-**55** (473 mg, 1.18 mmol, 1 equiv) and 2,6-lutidine (343  $\mu$ L, 2.96 mmol, 2.50 equiv) in dichloromethane (8.0 mL) at 0  $^{\circ}$ C. After 5 min, the solution was allowed to warm to 23  $^{\circ}$ C. After 4.5 h, the reaction mixture was poured into saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (15 mL). Brine (25 mL) was added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane (4  $\times$  40 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (0  $\rightarrow$  5% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford *O*-silylated  $\alpha$ -quaternary amide (+)-**60** (608 mg, 100%) as a viscous colorless oil. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY data.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20  $^{\circ}$ C, 4.5:1 atropisomer mixture, \* denotes minor atropisomer):  $\delta$  7.46–7.04 (m, 10H, Ph-H), 7.46–7.04 (m, 8H, Ph-H\*), 6.94–6.77 (m, 2H, Ph-H\*), 6.24–6.03 (br-m, 1H, NC-H), 5.92–5.80 (m, 1H, C<sub>4</sub>-H\*), 5.85 (dd,  $J$  = 10.7, 17.6, 1H, C<sub>4</sub>-H), 5.66–5.56 (br-m, 1H, NC-H\*), 5.36 (d,  $J$  = 7.0, 1H, OC-H), 5.18–5.11 (m, 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>\*), 5.14 (d,  $J$  = 10.7, 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-H<sub>E</sub>), 5.11–5.02 (br-m, 1H, OC-H\*), 5.00–4.92 (m, 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>\*), 4.96 (d,  $J$  = 17.6, 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-H<sub>Z</sub>), 3.47–3.35 (m, 2H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>), 3.30 (s, 3H, NC-H<sub>3</sub>\*), 3.09 (s, 3H, NC-H<sub>3</sub>), 3.04–2.92 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>\*), 2.88–2.75 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>\*), 1.90–1.16 (m, 2H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>), 1.90–1.16 (m, 2H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>\*), 1.90–1.16 (m, 2H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>), 1.90–1.16 (m, 2H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>\*), 1.90–1.16 (m, 2H, C<sub>20</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>), 1.90–1.16 (m, 2H, C<sub>20</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>\*), 0.86–0.71 (m, 9H, Si(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 0.79 (t,  $J$  = 7.7, 9H, Si(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 0.78–0.73 (m, 3H, C<sub>21</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>\*), 0.64 (t,  $J$  = 7.1, 3H, C<sub>21</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>), 0.46–0.32 (m, 6H, Si(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>\*), 0.39 (q,  $J$  = 7.7, 6H, Si(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

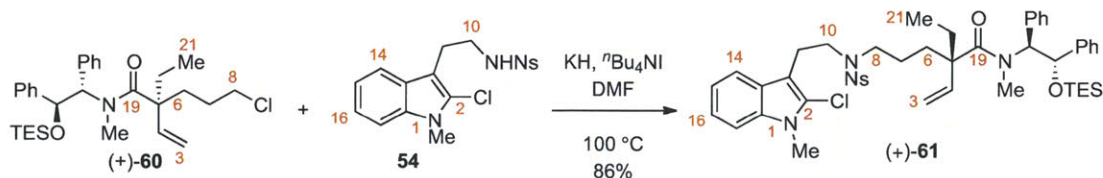
$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20  $^{\circ}$ C, 4.5:1 atropisomer mixture, \* denotes minor atropisomer):  $\delta$  175.1\*, 174.0, 143.4\*, 142.3, 142.1, 141.9\*, 139.3\*, 138.6, 128.8, 128.6\*, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0\*, 127.7, 127.6\*, 127.4, 127.2, 113.9, 113.3\*, 78.0\*, 75.3, 66.0\*, 63.2, 52.2, 52.1\*, 46.1, 45.2\*, 33.8, 33.2, 31.3\*, 29.9\*, 28.4\*, 27.7, 27.5, 8.5, 8.4\*, 7.0, 6.9\*, 5.1, 5.0\*.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3031 (w), 2957 (s), 2877 (m), 1624 (s), 1454 (m), 1384 (m), 1088 (m), 1005 (m), 699 (s).

HRMS (DART): calc'd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>44</sub>ClNNaO<sub>2</sub>Si [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 536.2722, found: 536.2706.

$[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{24}$ : +72 ( $c$  = 0.52,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ).

TLC (20% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.61 (UV,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).



### **Tertiary sulfonamide (+)-61:**

Potassium hydride (47.4 mg, 1.18 mmol, 1.10 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere to a solution of *O*-silylated  $\alpha$ -quaternary amide (+)-60 (553 mg, 1.08 mmol, 1 equiv), sulfonamide 54 (466 mg, 1.18 mmol, 1.10 equiv), and tetrabutylammonium iodide (392 mg, 1.08 mmol, 1.00 equiv) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (2.5 mL) at 23 °C. After 5 min, the solution was warmed to 100 °C. After 24 h, the solution was allowed to cool to 23 °C. Saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (20 mL) was added to quench the sulfonamide salts. Brine (40 mL) and dichloromethane (60 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane (2  $\times$  60 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (80% dichloromethane in hexanes  $\rightarrow$  30% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford tertiary sulfonamide (+)-61 (806 mg, 86.0%) as a beige foam. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY data.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20 °C, 4.4:1 atropisomer mixture, \* denotes minor atropisomer):  $\delta$  7.93–7.85 (m, 1H,  $\text{Ph}_{\text{Ns}}\text{-H}$ ), 7.85–7.75 (m, 1H,  $\text{Ph}_{\text{Ns}}\text{-H}^*$ ), 7.65–7.53 (m, 3H,  $\text{Ph}_{\text{Ns}}\text{-H}$ ), 7.65–7.53 (m, 3H,  $\text{Ph}_{\text{Ns}}\text{-H}^*$ ), 7.53–7.05 (m, 14H, Ar-H), 7.53–7.05 (m, 12H, Ar-H\*), 6.96–6.84 (m, 2H, Ar-H\*), 6.21–6.07 (br-m, 1H, NC-H), 5.93–5.81 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}^*$ ), 5.86 (dd,  $J = 11.0, 18.1$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}$ ), 5.66–5.56 (br-m, 1H, NC-H\*), 5.36 (d,  $J = 6.8$ , 1H, OC-H), 5.17–5.09 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_a^*$ ), 5.12 (d,  $J = 11.0$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_E$ ), 5.08–5.02 (br-m, 1H, OC-H\*), 4.98–4.88 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_b^*$ ), 4.93 (d,  $J = 18.1$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_Z$ ), 3.66 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{-H}_3$ ), 3.66 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{-H}_3^*$ ), 3.45 (app-t,  $J = 7.3$ , 2H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_2$ ), 3.45 (app-t,  $J = 7.3$ , 2H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_2^*$ ), 3.42–3.32 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_2$ ), 3.30 (s, 3H, NC-H<sub>3</sub>\*), 3.07 (s, 3H, NC-H<sub>3</sub>), 3.03–2.92 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_a^*$ ), 2.97 (app-t,  $J = 7.3$ , 2H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_2$ ), 2.97 (app-t,  $J = 7.3$ , 2H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_2^*$ ), 2.93–2.75 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_b^*$ ), 1.88–1.06 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_2$ ), 1.88–1.06 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_2^*$ ), 1.88–1.06 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_2$ ), 1.88–1.06 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_2^*$ ), 1.88–1.06 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_2$ ), 1.88–1.06 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_2^*$ ), 0.88–0.73 (m, 9H,  $\text{Si}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3)_3^*$ ), 0.80 (t,  $J = 7.8$ , 9H,  $\text{Si}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3)_3$ ), 0.73–0.65 (m, 3H,  $\text{C}_{21}\text{-H}_3^*$ ), 0.60 (t,  $J = 7.0$ , 3H,  $\text{C}_{21}\text{-H}_3$ ), 0.49–0.32 (m, 6H,  $\text{Si}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3)_3^*$ ), 0.40 (q,  $J = 7.8$ , 6H,  $\text{Si}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3)_3$ ).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20 °C):  $\delta$  173.9, 147.9, 142.3, 142.1, 138.5, 135.7, 133.9, 133.1, 131.5, 130.8, 128.9, 128.2, 128.1, 127.7, 127.5, 127.2, 126.4, 124.4, 124.1, 122.1, 120.2, 118.3, 114.0, 109.2, 107.5, 75.1, 63.2, 52.3, 48.3, 46.6, 34.0, 33.1, 30.0, 27.2, 23.8, 23.0, 8.7, 7.0, 5.1.

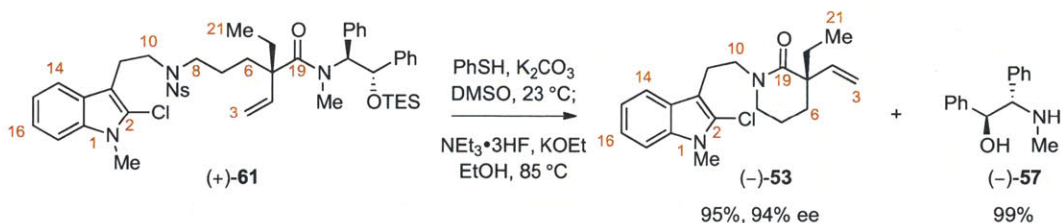
FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 2955 (m), 1622 (s), 1544 (s), 1468 (m), 1372 (s), 1091 (m), 741 (m).

HRMS (DART): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{47}\text{H}_{60}\text{ClN}_4\text{O}_6\text{SSi}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 871.3686, found: 871.3678.

$[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{24}$ : +49 ( $c = 0.38$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ).

TLC (50% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.87 (UV).





### Lactam (-)-53:

Thiophenol (203  $\mu\text{L}$ , 1.98 mmol, 3.00 equiv) was added via syringe to a suspension of tertiary sulfonamide (+)-**61** (574 mg, 0.658 mmol, 1 equiv) and potassium carbonate (455 mg, 3.29 mmol, 5.00 equiv) in dimethylsulfoxide (3.6 mL) at 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 3 h, triethylamine trihydrofluoride (716  $\mu\text{L}$ , 4.39 mmol, 6.67 equiv) was added via syringe. After 1 min, potassium ethoxide (2.25 M solution in ethanol, 17.1 mL) was added via syringe. After 5 min, the solution was warmed to 85  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 24 h, the solution was allowed to cool to 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . Saturated aqueous ammonium chloride solution (20 mL) was added to quench the potassium ethoxide, and the resulting biphasic mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. Saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate (60 mL) and dichloromethane (60 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane (2  $\times$  60 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (10  $\rightarrow$  20% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford lactam (-)-**53** (216 mg, 95.1%) as a viscous light orange oil. Further elution (0.5% ammonium hydroxide, 4.5% methanol, 20% chloroform in dichloromethane) afforded amine (-)-**57** (148 mg, 98.9%) as a white powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY data. Lactam (-)-**7** was determined to be of 94% ee by chiral HPLC analysis (Chiralpak IC, 25%  $i\text{PrOH}$  / 75% hexanes, 0.5 ml/min, 230 nm,  $t_{\text{R}}$ (minor) = 19.8 min,  $t_{\text{R}}$ (major) = 22.7 min).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$  7.64 (d,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{-H}$ ), 7.24–7.15 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{-H}$ ), 7.24–7.15 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{16}\text{-H}$ ), 7.10 (app-t,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{-H}$ ), 5.90 (dd,  $J = 10.7$ , 17.6, 1H,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}$ ), 5.11 (dd,  $J = 1.0$ , 10.7, 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_E$ ), 5.01 (dd,  $J = 1.0$ , 17.6, 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_Z$ ), 3.69 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{-H}_3$ ), 3.63–3.55 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_a$ ), 3.54–3.46 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_b$ ), 3.29–3.20 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_a$ ), 3.20–3.13 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_b$ ), 3.07–2.95 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_2$ ), 1.96–1.56 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_2$ ), 1.96–1.56 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_2$ ), 1.96–1.56 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_2$ ), 0.80 (t,  $J = 7.5$ , 3H,  $\text{C}_{21}\text{-H}_3$ ).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$  172.8, 142.7, 135.8, 126.9, 124.0, 122.0, 120.0, 118.8, 113.9, 109.1, 108.8, 49.3, 49.2, 48.3, 31.7, 30.0, 28.7, 22.4, 19.6, 8.6.

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :

2937 (m), 1629 (s), 1467 (s), 1328 (m), 1199 (m), 740 (m).

HRMS (DART):

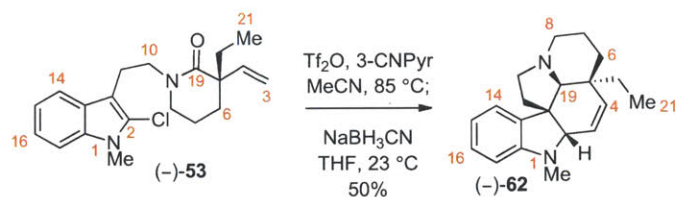
calc'd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{26}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 345.1728, found: 345.1721.

$[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{24}$ :

-5 ( $c = 0.19$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ).

TLC (30% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ :

0.70 (UV, CAM,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).



**(-)-N-Methyldehydroaspidospermidine (62):**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (18.5  $\mu\text{L}$ , 110  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of lactam (-)-**53** (34.6 mg, 100  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 3-cyanopyridine (12.5 mg, 120  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.20 equiv) in acetonitrile (6.5 mL) at 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the solution was warmed to 85  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 3 h, the solution was allowed to cool to 0  $^\circ\text{C}$ . A solution of sodium cyanoborohydride (62.8 mg, 1.00 mmol, 10.0 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (4 mL) was added via cannula, and the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 6 h, saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (15 mL) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts. Dichloromethane (15 mL) was added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane (2  $\times$  15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (0  $\rightarrow$  3% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford (-)-N-methyldehydroaspidospermidine (**62**, 14.7 mg, 49.8%) as a light tan gum. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and ROESY data.

$^1\text{H NMR}$  (500 MHz,  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ , 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  7.11 (app-t,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{16}\text{-H}$ ), 7.02 (d,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{-H}$ ), 6.74 (app-t,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{-H}$ ), 6.25 (d,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{-H}$ ), 5.80 (dd,  $J = 4.0, 10.3$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}$ ), 5.59 (d,  $J = 10.3$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}$ ), 3.68 (d,  $J = 4.0$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_2\text{-H}$ ), 2.97 (dt,  $J = 3.3, 8.5$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.88 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.53 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{-H}_3$ ), 2.25–2.18 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_b$ ), 2.23 (s, 1H,  $\text{C}_{19}\text{-H}$ ), 2.03 (dt,  $J = 12.2, 8.5$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.94–1.82 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.94–1.82 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.68–1.57 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.57–1.49 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.40–1.29 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.40–1.29 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.12–1.03 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.03–0.95 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_b$ ), 0.61 (t,  $J = 7.5$ , 3H,  $\text{C}_{21}\text{-H}_3$ ).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (125 MHz,  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ , 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  151.6 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ ), 137.8 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 136.0 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 128.4 ( $\text{C}_{16}$ ), 124.6 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 123.8 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ), 117.5 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 106.1 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ ), 73.3 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ), 71.5 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 53.0 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 52.9 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ), 52.9 ( $\text{C}_{12}$ ), 43.9 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 39.4 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 35.6 ( $\text{C}_{20}$ ), 34.9 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 32.6 ( $\text{C}_{22}$ ), 23.8 ( $\text{C}_7$ ), 8.2 ( $\text{C}_{21}$ ).

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 2931 (s), 1605 (m), 1492 (m), 1264 (m), 1121 (m), 736 (s).

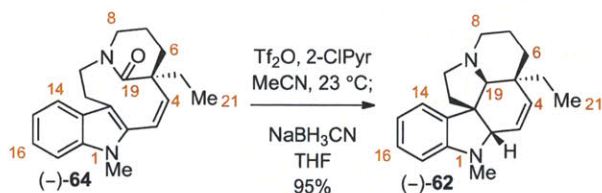
HRMS (DART): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 295.2169, found: 295.2165.

$[\alpha]_D^{24}$ : -28 ( $c = 0.30$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ).

TLC ( $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ , 10% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.40 (UV, CAM,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).

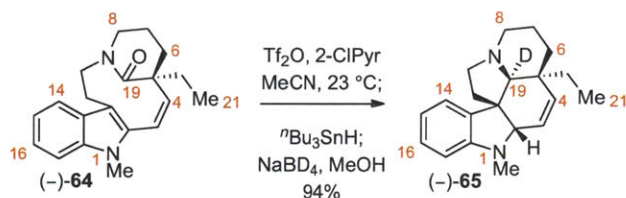


## Alternate Synthesis:



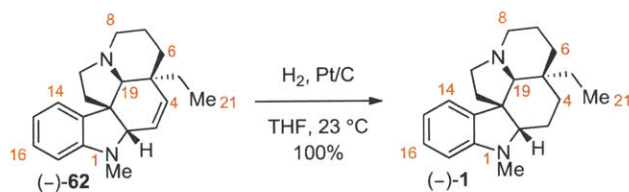
### Synthesis of (-)-*N*-Methyldehydroaspidospermidine (**16**) from tetracyclic lactam (-)-**64**:

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (18.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 107  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of tetracyclic lactam (-)-**64** (29.9 mg, 96.9  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (10.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 116  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.20 equiv) in acetonitrile (3.0 mL) at 23 °C. After 10 min, a solution of sodium cyanoborohydride (36.6 mg, 582  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 6.00 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (1.0 mL) was added via cannula. After 6 h, saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (15 mL) was added via syringe to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts. Dichloromethane (15 mL) was added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 15$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (0  $\rightarrow$  3% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford (-)-*N*-methyldehydroaspidospermidine (**62**, 27.1 mg, 94.9%) as a light tan gum. See page 129 for characterization data for (-)-*N*-methyldehydroaspidospermidine (**62**).



### Synthesis of C19-deuterated pentacycle (-)-**65** from tetracyclic lactam (-)-**64**:

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (2.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 14  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.1 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of tetracyclic lactam (-)-**64** (4.0 mg, 13  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (1.5  $\mu\text{L}$ , 16  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.2 equiv) in acetonitrile (0.8 mL) at 23 °C. After 10 min, tributylstannane (5.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 20  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.5 equiv) was added via syringe. After 30 min, a solution of sodium borodeuteride (98 atom% D, 2.2 mg, 52  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 4.0 equiv) in methanol (0.8 mL) was added via cannula. After 30 min, saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (15 mL) was added via syringe to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts. Dichloromethane (15 mL) was added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 15$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (0  $\rightarrow$  3% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford pentacycle (-)-**65** (3.6 mg, 94%) as a light tan gum.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis of the purified pentacycle (-)-**65** showed 0% deuterium incorporation at C2 and 93% deuterium incorporation at C19. See page 129 for characterization data for (-)-*N*-methyldehydroaspidospermidine (**62**).



### **(-)-N-Methylaspidospermidine (1):**

Platinum on charcoal (10% w/w, 10.0 mg, 5.13  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 0.130 equiv) was added as a solid to a solution of (-)-N-methyldehydroaspidospermidine (**62**, 11.6 mg, 39.4  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (2.0 mL) at 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The opened reaction vessel was placed in a Fischer–Porter tube and sealed under an atmosphere of hydrogen gas (80 psi). After 48 h, the Fischer–Porter tube was opened in air, and the suspension was filtered over Celite. The solids were extracted with ethyl acetate, and the combined filtrates were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (0  $\rightarrow$  3% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford (-)-N-methylaspidospermidine (**1**, 11.7 mg, 100%) as a pale off-white powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$  7.04 (app-t,  $J = 7.3$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{16}\text{-H}$ ), 7.00 (d,  $J = 7.1$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{-H}$ ), 6.61 (app-t,  $J = 7.3$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{-H}$ ), 6.35 (d,  $J = 7.7$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{-H}$ ), 3.40 (dd,  $J = 5.8, 11.0$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_2\text{-H}$ ), 3.15–3.06 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_a$ ), 3.06–2.99 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.72 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{-H}_3$ ), 2.35–2.17 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.35–2.17 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_b$ ), 2.17 (s, 1H,  $\text{C}_{19}\text{-H}$ ), 1.99–1.81 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.99–1.81 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.80–1.65 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.80–1.65 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.64–1.56 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.53–1.37 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.53–1.37 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.53–1.37 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.26–1.16 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.15–1.03 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.15–1.03 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_b$ ), 0.90–0.80 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_b$ ), 0.60 (t,  $J = 7.5$ , 3H,  $\text{C}_{21}\text{-H}_3$ ).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$  150.8 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ ), 137.1 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 127.4 ( $\text{C}_{16}$ ), 122.4 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ), 117.3 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 106.6 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ ), 72.0 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 71.4 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ), 54.1 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 53.3 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ), 52.8 ( $\text{C}_{12}$ ), 39.3 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 35.7 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 34.7 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 31.7 ( $\text{C}_{22}$ ), 30.3 ( $\text{C}_{20}$ ), 23.1 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 22.2 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 22.0 ( $\text{C}_7$ ), 7.0 ( $\text{C}_{21}$ ).

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :

2929 (s), 1606 (m), 1485 (m), 1446 (m), 1376 (m), 1265 (s), 1122 (m), 737 (m).

HRMS (DART):

calc'd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 297.2325.  
found: 297.2317.

$[\alpha]_D^{24}$ :

-23 ( $c = 0.17$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ).<sup>11</sup>

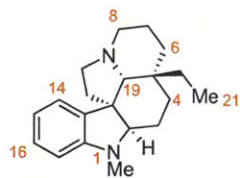
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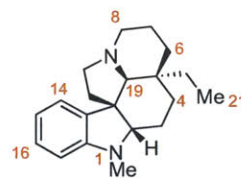
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**Table S1. Comparison of our <sup>1</sup>H NMR data for (-)-*N*-methylaspidospermidine (1) with literature data for (+)-*N*-methylaspidospermidine (1):**



(+)-*N*-methylaspidospermidine (1)

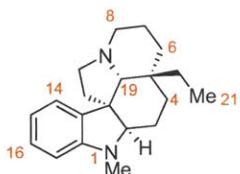


(-)-*N*-methylaspidospermidine (1)

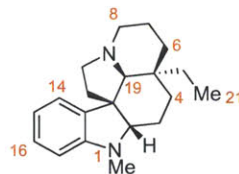
Assignment	Boger's Report <sup>12</sup> (+)- <i>N</i> -Methylaspidospermidine (1) <sup>1</sup> H NMR, 400 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub>	This Work (-)- <i>N</i> -Methylaspidospermidine (1) <sup>1</sup> H NMR, 500 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C
C2	3.40 (dd, <i>J</i> = 5.8, 10.7, 1H)	3.40 (dd, <i>J</i> = 5.8, 11.0, 1H)
C3	1.80–1.65 (m, 1H) 1.29–1.20 (m, 1H)	1.80–1.65 (m, 1H) 1.26–1.16 (m, 1H)
C4	2.00–1.80 (m, 1H) 1.20–1.10 (m, 1H)	1.99–1.81 (m, 1H) 1.15–1.03 (m, 1H)
C5	-	-
C6	1.65–1.60 (m, 1H) 1.20–1.10 (m, 1H)	1.64–1.56 (m, 1H) 1.15–1.03 (m, 1H)
C7	1.80–1.65 (m, 1H) 1.55–1.40 (m, 1H)	1.80–1.65 (m, 1H) 1.53–1.37 (m, 1H)
C8	3.20–3.05 (m, 1H) 2.35–2.20 (m, 1H)	3.06–2.99 (m, 1H) 2.35–2.17 (m, 1H)
C10	3.20–3.05 (m, 1H) 2.00–1.80 (m, 1H)	3.15–3.06 (m, 1H) 1.99–1.81 (m, 1H)
C11	2.35–2.20 (m, 1H) 1.55–1.40 (m, 1H)	2.35–2.17 (m, 1H) 1.53–1.37 (m, 1H)
C12	-	-
C13	-	-
C14	7.02 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.7, 1H)	7.00 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.1, 1H)
C15	6.63 (t, <i>J</i> = 7.3, 1H)	6.61 (app-t, <i>J</i> = 7.3, 1H)
C16	7.05 (t, <i>J</i> = 7.7, 1H)	7.04 (app-t, <i>J</i> = 7.3, 1H)
C17	6.37 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.7, 1H)	6.35 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.7, 1H)
C18	-	-
C19	2.21 (s, 1H)	2.17 (s, 1H)
C20	1.55–1.40 (m, 1H) 0.90–0.80 (m, 1H)	1.53–1.37 (m, 1H) 0.90–0.80 (m, 1H)
C21	0.62 (t, <i>J</i> = 7.4, 3H)	0.60 (t, <i>J</i> = 7.5, 3H)
C22	2.74 (s, 3H)	2.72 (s, 3H)

<sup>12</sup> Ishikawa, H.; Elliott, G. I.; Velcicky, J.; Choi, Y.; Boger, D. L. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2006**, *128*, 10596.

**Table S2. Comparison of our  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR data for (-)-*N*-methylaspidospermidine (1) with literature data for (+)-*N*-methylaspidospermidine (1):**

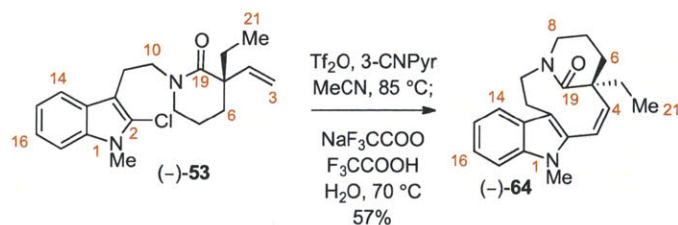


(+)-*N*-methylaspidospermidine (1)



(-)-*N*-methylaspidospermidine (1)

Assignment	Boger's Report <sup>12</sup> (+)- <i>N</i> -Methylaspidospermidine (1) $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR, 100 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$	This Work (-)- <i>N</i> -Methylaspidospermidine (1) $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR, 125 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20 °C	Chemical Shift Difference $\Delta\delta =$ $\delta$ (this work) – $\delta$ (Ref. 12)
C2	71.7	72.0	0.3
C3	22.0	22.2	0.2
C4	22.9	23.1	0.2
C5	35.5	35.7	0.2
C6	34.5	34.7	0.2
C7	21.7	22.0	0.3
C8	53.8	54.1	0.3
C10	53.0	53.3	0.3
C11	39.0	39.3	0.3
C12	52.5	52.8	0.3
C13	136.9	137.1	0.2
C14	122.1	122.4	0.3
C15	117.0	117.3	0.3
C16	127.2	127.4	0.2
C17	106.4	106.6	0.2
C18	150.5	150.8	0.3
C19	71.2	71.4	0.2
C20	30.1	30.3	0.2
C21	6.8	7.0	0.2
C22	31.5	31.7	0.2



### **Tetracyclic lactam (-)-64:**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (115  $\mu\text{L}$ , 686  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of lactam (-)-**53** (215 mg, 623  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 3-cyanopyridine (77.9 mg, 748  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.20 equiv) in acetonitrile (25 mL) at 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 5 min, the solution was warmed to 85  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 3 h, the solution was allowed to cool to 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . Sodium trifluoroacetate (254 mg, 1.87 mmol, 3.00 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere. After 2 min, water (12.5 mL) was added via syringe. After 5 min, trifluoroacetic acid (382  $\mu\text{L}$ , 4.99 mmol, 8.00 equiv) was added via syringe, and the solution was warmed to 70  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 12 h, the solution was allowed to cool to 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . Saturated aqueous potassium carbonate solution (20 mL) was added to quench the trifluoroacetic acid. Brine (100 mL) and dichloromethane (120 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane (2  $\times$  120 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (1.5% acetone in dichloromethane  $\rightarrow$  30% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford tetracyclic lactam (-)-**64** (110.4 mg, 57.4%) as a beige powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, and gHMBC data.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CD}_3\text{CN}$ , 73  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$  7.55 (d,  $J = 7.9$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{-H}$ ), 7.30 (d,  $J = 7.9$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{-H}$ ), 7.17 (app-t,  $J = 7.9$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{16}\text{-H}$ ), 7.06 (app-t,  $J = 7.9$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{-H}$ ), 6.37 (d,  $J = 11.9$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}$ ), 6.21 (d,  $J = 11.9$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}$ ), 4.29–4.22 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_a$ ), 3.59 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{-H}_3$ ), 3.06–2.95 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_2$ ), 3.06–2.95 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.89 (ddd,  $J = 2.9, 6.0, 12.7$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_b$ ), 2.74–2.66 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.92–1.58 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_2$ ), 1.92–1.58 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_2$ ), 1.92–1.58 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_2$ ), 0.94 (t,  $J = 7.5$ , 3H,  $\text{C}_{21}\text{-H}_3$ ).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CD}_3\text{CN}$ , 73  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$  176.1 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ), 149.2 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 138.4 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ ), 135.1 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 129.1 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 122.7 ( $\text{C}_{16}$ ), 121.2 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 120.0 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 119.2 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ), 112.0 ( $\text{C}_{12}$ ), 110.3 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ ), 52.3 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ), 49.8 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 48.3 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 32.5 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 32.0 ( $\text{C}_{20}$ ), 31.0 ( $\text{C}_{22}$ ), 23.4 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 21.6 ( $\text{C}_7$ ), 9.5 ( $\text{C}_{21}$ ).

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :

2926 (m), 1638 (s), 1469 (m), 1321 (m), 1245 (w), 742 (m).

HRMS (DART):

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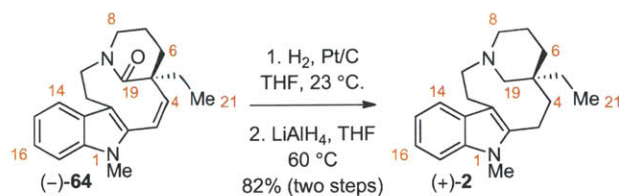
$[\alpha]_D^{24}$ :

-200 ( $c = 0.38$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ).

TLC (50% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ :

0.45 (UV, CAM,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).





### **(+)-*N*-Methylquebrachamine (2):**

Platinum on charcoal (10% w/w, 10.0 mg, 5.13  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 0.0806 equiv) was added as a solid to a solution of tetracyclic lactam (–)-**64** (19.6 mg, 63.6  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (2.0 mL) at 23 °C. The opened reaction vessel was placed in a Parr bomb and sealed under an atmosphere of hydrogen gas (400 psi). After 48 h, the Parr Bomb was opened in air, and the suspension was filtered over Celite. The solids were further extracted with ethyl acetate (30 mL), and the combined filtrates were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in tetrahydrofuran (1.5 mL) at 23 °C. Lithium aluminum hydride (2.0 M solution in tetrahydrofuran, 160  $\mu\text{L}$ , 320  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 5.0 equiv) was added via syringe. After 5 min, the reaction mixture was warmed to 60 °C. After 12 h, the reaction mixture was allowed to cool to 23 °C. Sodium sulfate decahydrate was added as a solid to quench the aluminum hydride salts. The resulting suspension was filtered over Celite. The solids were further extracted with ethyl acetate (30 mL), and the combined filtrates were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (0  $\rightarrow$  5% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford (+)-*N*-methylquebrachamine (**2**, 15.3 mg, 81.7% over two steps) as a white gum. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, and gHMBC data.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20 °C):

$\delta$  7.51 (d,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H, C<sub>14</sub>-**H**), 7.28 (d,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H, C<sub>17</sub>-**H**), 7.15 (app-t,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H, C<sub>16</sub>-**H**), 7.07 (app-t,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H, C<sub>15</sub>-**H**), 3.70 (s, 3H, C<sub>22</sub>-**H**<sub>3</sub>), 3.36 (d,  $J = 11.9$ , 1H, C<sub>19</sub>-**H**<sub>a</sub>), 3.03–2.82 (m, 1H, C<sub>11</sub>-**H**<sub>a</sub>), 3.03–2.82 (m, 1H, C<sub>11</sub>-**H**<sub>b</sub>), 2.79 (app-dd,  $J = 10.8$ , 15.3, 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-**H**<sub>a</sub>), 2.65 (app-dd,  $J = 6.8$ , 15.6, 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-**H**<sub>b</sub>), 2.51–2.40 (m, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-**H**<sub>a</sub>), 2.51–2.40 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-**H**<sub>a</sub>), 2.34–2.21 (m, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-**H**<sub>b</sub>), 2.34–2.21 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-**H**<sub>b</sub>), 1.81 (app-dd,  $J = 6.8$ , 13.7, 1H, C<sub>4</sub>-**H**<sub>a</sub>), 1.64 (app-t,  $J = 12.1$ , 1H, C<sub>4</sub>-**H**<sub>b</sub>), 1.61–1.54 (m, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-**H**<sub>a</sub>), 1.51 (d,  $J = 11.9$ , 1H, C<sub>19</sub>-**H**<sub>b</sub>), 1.35–1.24 (m, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-**H**<sub>b</sub>), 1.35–1.24 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-**H**<sub>a</sub>), 1.35–1.24 (m, 1H, C<sub>20</sub>-**H**<sub>a</sub>), 1.24–1.10 (m, 1H, C<sub>20</sub>-**H**<sub>b</sub>), 1.24–1.10 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-**H**<sub>b</sub>), 0.90 (t,  $J = 7.5$ , 3H, C<sub>21</sub>-**H**<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20 °C):

$\delta$  142.2 (C<sub>2</sub>), 136.4 (C<sub>18</sub>), 127.9 (C<sub>13</sub>), 119.9 (C<sub>16</sub>), 118.4 (C<sub>15</sub>), 117.5 (C<sub>14</sub>), 108.7 (C<sub>17</sub>), 108.4 (C<sub>12</sub>), 56.8 (C<sub>19</sub>), 55.4 (C<sub>8</sub>), 53.7 (C<sub>10</sub>), 37.8 (C<sub>5</sub>), 35.0 (C<sub>6</sub>), 32.5 (C<sub>4</sub>), 32.2 (C<sub>20</sub>), 29.7 (C<sub>22</sub>), 22.8 (C<sub>7</sub>), 22.7 (C<sub>11</sub>), 19.2 (C<sub>3</sub>), 8.1 (C<sub>21</sub>).

FTIR (neat) cm<sup>-1</sup>:

3051 (w), 2928 (s), 2782 (m), 1472 (s), 1371 (s), 1299 (m), 1191 (m), 1140 (m), 1012 (w), 736 (s).

HRMS (DART):

calc'd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>29</sub>N<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 297.2325,  
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[ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>24</sup>:

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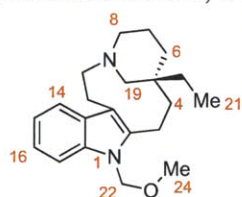
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0.59 (UV, CAM, KMnO<sub>4</sub>).

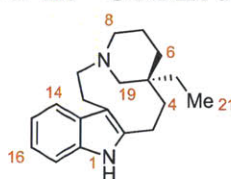
<sup>13</sup> Literature value: [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>24</sup> = +110 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>), Mokry, J.; Kompis, I.; Dubravkova, L.; Sefcovic, P. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1962**, 25, 1185.

**Table S3. Comparison of our <sup>1</sup>H NMR data for (+)-*N*-methylquebrachamine (2) with literature data for (–)-kopsiyunnanine D (S4) and (+)-quebrachamine (2a):**

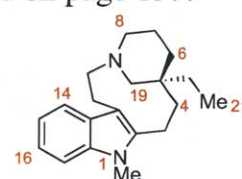
Though early reports concerning (+)-*N*-methylquebrachamine (2) have not reported <sup>1</sup>H or <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra, later reports<sup>14</sup> have included <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data for the structural analog (–)-kopsiyunnanine D (S4) and have made assignments based on gCOSY, HSQC and gHMBC data. Furthermore, <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra have been reported for (+)-quebrachamine (2a), though assignments based upon 2D NMR data were not reported. A comparison of the <sup>1</sup>H data for the three compounds is presented below; a comparison of the <sup>13</sup>C NMR data is presented on page 137.



(–)-kopsiyunnanine D (S4)



(+)-quebrachamine (S5)



(+)-*N*-methylquebrachamine (2)

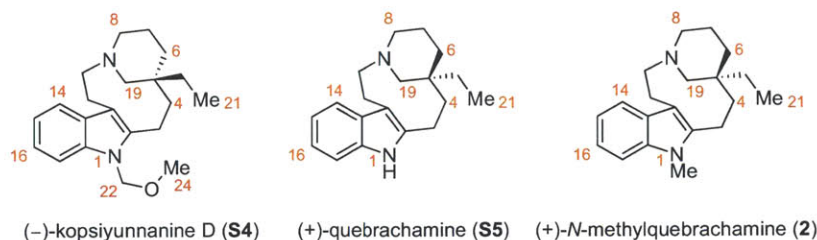
Assignment	Takayama's Report <sup>14</sup> (–)-Kopsiyunnanine D (S4) <sup>1</sup> H NMR, 500 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub>	Schrock's Report <sup>15</sup> (+)-Quebrachamine (2a) <sup>1</sup> H NMR, 400 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub>	This Work (+)- <i>N</i> -Methylquebrachamine (2) <sup>1</sup> H NMR, 500 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C
N1	-	7.70 (br-s, 1H)	-
C2	-	-	-
C3	2.79 (m, 1H) 2.55 (ddd, <i>J</i> = 1.5, 7.5, 7.5, 1H)	2.74 (ddd, <i>J</i> = 2.0, 10.4, 15.6, 1H) 2.67 (ddd, <i>J</i> = 2.0, 7.2, 15.2, 1H)	2.79 (app-dd, <i>J</i> = 10.8, 15.3, 1H) 2.65 (app-dd, <i>J</i> = 6.8, 15.6, 1H)
C4	1.74 (dd, <i>J</i> = 6.0, 13.0, 1H) 1.55 (m, 1H)	1.92 (ddd, <i>J</i> = 2.0, 6.8, 14.0, 1H) 1.65–1.53 (m, 1H)	1.81 (app-dd, <i>J</i> = 6.8, 13.7, 1H) 1.64 (app-t, <i>J</i> = 12.1, 1H)
C5	-	-	-
C6	1.18 (m, 1H) 1.09 (m, 1H)	1.33–1.08 (m, 2H)	1.35–1.24 (m, 1H) 1.24–1.10 (m, 1H)
C7	1.20 (m, 2H)	1.65–1.53 (m, 1H) 1.33–1.08 (m, 1H)	1.61–1.54 (m, 1H) 1.35–1.24 (m, 1H)
C8	2.32 (dd, <i>J</i> = 5.5, 13.0, 1H) 2.18 (ddd, <i>J</i> = 3.5, 13.0, 13.0, 1H)	2.41 (dd, <i>J</i> = 2.8, 4.4, 1H) 2.25 (dt, <i>J</i> = 2.8, 11.6, 1H)	2.51–2.40 (m, 1H) 2.34–2.21 (m, 1H)
C10	2.40 (ddd, <i>J</i> = 1.5, 4.5, 13.0, 1H) 2.22 (ddd, <i>J</i> = 4.5, 13.0, 13.0, 1H)	2.48–2.43 (m, 1H) 2.33 (dt, <i>J</i> = 4.4, 11.6, 1H)	2.51–2.40 (m, 1H) 2.34–2.21 (m, 1H)
C11	2.87 (ddd, <i>J</i> = 4.5, 13.0, 15.0, 1H) 2.77 (m, 1H)	2.94 (ddd, <i>J</i> = 4.8, 11.6, 14.8, 1H) 2.84 (ddd, <i>J</i> = 2.8, 4.4, 14.8, 1H)	3.03–2.82 (m, 1H) 3.03–2.82 (m, 1H)
C12	-	-	-
C13	-	-	-
C14	7.41 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.5, 1H)	7.49–7.47 (m, 1H)	7.51 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.8, 1H)
C15	7.03 (ddd, <i>J</i> = 1.5, 7.5, 7.5, 1H)	7.06 (dt, <i>J</i> = 1.6, 7.2, 1H)	7.07 (app-t, <i>J</i> = 7.8, 1H)
C16	7.08 (ddd, <i>J</i> = 1.5, 7.5, 7.5, 1H)	7.09 (dt, <i>J</i> = 1.6, 7.2, 1H)	7.15 (app-t, <i>J</i> = 7.8, 1H)
C17	7.33 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.5, 1H)	7.29–7.26 (m, 1H)	7.28 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.8, 1H)
C18	-	-	-
C19	3.28 (br-d, <i>J</i> = 12.0, 1H) 1.41 (m, 1H)	3.25 (br-d, <i>J</i> = 11.6, 1H) 1.50 (d, <i>J</i> = 11.6, 1H)	3.36 (d, <i>J</i> = 11.9, 1H) 1.51 (d, <i>J</i> = 11.9, 1H)
C20	1.21 (m, 1H) 1.05 (m, 1H)	1.33–1.08 (m, 2H)	1.35–1.24 (m, 1H) 1.24–1.10 (m, 1H)
C21	0.80 (t, <i>J</i> = 7.5, 3H)	0.85 (t, <i>J</i> = 7.2, 3H)	0.90 (t, <i>J</i> = 7.5, 3H)
C22	5.39 (d, <i>J</i> = 11.5, 1H) 5.35 (d, <i>J</i> = 11.5, 1H)	-	3.70 (s, 3H)
C24	3.19 (s, 3H)	-	-

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**Table S4. Comparison of our  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR data for (+)-*N*-methylquebrachamine (2) with literature data for (–)-kopsiyunnanine D (S4) and (+)-quebrachamine (2a):**



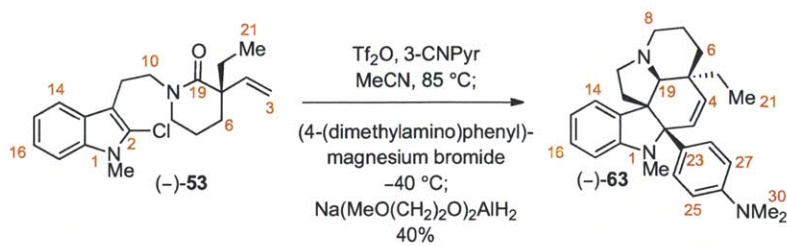
Assignment	Takayama's Report <sup>14</sup> (–)-Kopsiyunnanine D (S4) $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR, 125 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$	Schrock's Report <sup>15</sup> (+)-Quebrachamine (2a) $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR, 100 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$	This Work (+)- <i>N</i> -Methyl quebrachamine (2) $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR, 125 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20 °C	Chemical Shift Difference $\Delta\delta =$ $\delta$ (this work) $- \delta$ (Ref. 14)	Chemical Shift Difference $\Delta\delta =$ $\delta$ (this work) $- \delta$ (Ref. 15)
C2	141.8	140.0	142.2	0.4	2.2
C3	18.5	22.1	19.2	0.7	–2.9
C4	32.4	33.6	32.5	0.1	–1.1
C5	37.5	37.3	37.8	0.3	0.5
C6	34.7	34.9	35.0	0.3	0.1
C7	22.6	22.8	22.8	0.2	0.0
C8	55.2	55.2	55.4	0.2	0.2
C10	53.0	53.4	53.7	0.7	0.3
C11	22.3	22.6	22.7	0.4	0.1
C12	110.2	108.9	108.4	–1.8	–0.5
C13	128.3	129.1	127.9	–0.4	–1.2
C14	117.4	117.5	117.5	0.1	0.0
C15	119.2	118.8	118.4	–0.8	–0.4
C16	120.5	120.3	119.9	–0.6	–0.4
C17	108.8	110.1	108.7	–0.1	–1.4
C18	136.7	135.0	136.4	–0.3	1.4
C19	56.5	56.9	56.8	0.3	–0.1
C20	31.8	32.2	32.2	0.4	0.0
C21	7.9	7.9	8.1	0.2	0.2
C22	73.8	-	29.7	–44.1 <sup>16</sup>	– <sup>17</sup>
C24	55.6	-	-	– <sup>18</sup>	– <sup>19</sup>

<sup>16</sup> Significant difference in chemical shift is due to oxygenation of C22 in (–)-kopsiyunnanine D (S4).

<sup>17</sup> No difference in chemical shift is reported due to absence of C22 in (+)-quebrachamine (2a).

<sup>18</sup> No difference in chemical shift is reported due to absence of C24 in (–)-*N*-methylquebrachamine (2).

<sup>19</sup> No difference in chemical shift is reported due to absence of C24 in (+)-*N*-methylquebrachamine (2) and (+)-quebrachamine (2a).



### Hexacyclic aniline adduct (–)-**63**:

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (4.8  $\mu\text{L}$ , 29  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.1 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of lactam (–)-**53** (9.0 mg, 26  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 3-cyanopyridine (3.3 mg, 32  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.2 equiv) in acetonitrile (1.0 mL) at 23 °C. After 5 min, the solution was warmed to 85 °C. After 3 h, the solution was cooled to –40 °C, and (4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)magnesium bromide (0.50 M solution in tetrahydrofuran, 130  $\mu\text{L}$ , 65  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 2.5 equiv) was added via syringe. After 30 sec, sodium bis(2-methoxyethoxy)aluminum hydride (65% w/v solution in toluene, 80  $\mu\text{L}$ , 260  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 10 equiv) was added via syringe. After 2 min, acetic acid (50  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added via syringe to quench the aluminum hydride salts, and the solution was allowed warmed to 23 °C. Saturated aqueous potassium carbonate solution (15 mL) and ethyl acetate (15 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with ethyl acetate (2  $\times$  15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (0  $\rightarrow$  1.5% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford hexacyclic aniline adduct (–)-**63** (4.3 mg, 40%) as a white powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and ROESY data. The connectivity and relative stereochemistry of hexacyclic aniline adduct (–)-**63** were secured by X-Ray diffraction of a single crystal of its bis-(hydrogen chloride) salt ( $\pm$ )-**63**•2HCl<sup>20</sup> (page 164, vide infra).

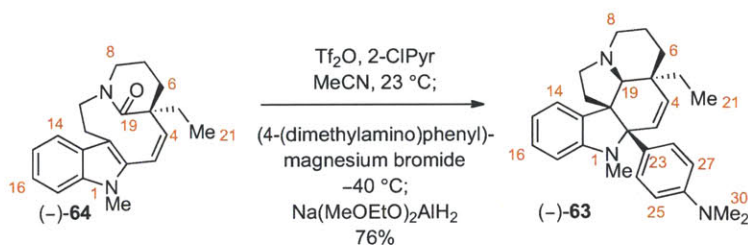
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20 °C):

$\delta$  7.44 (dd,  $J = 2.2, 8.7$ , 1H, C<sub>28</sub>-H), 7.27 (dd,  $J = 2.2, 8.6$ , 1H, C<sub>24</sub>-H), 7.06 (app-t,  $J = 7.7$ , 1H, C<sub>16</sub>-H), 6.97 (d,  $J = 7.7$ , 1H, C<sub>14</sub>-H), 6.69 (dd,  $J = 2.7, 8.7$ , 1H, C<sub>27</sub>-H), 6.64 (dd,  $J = 2.7, 8.6$ , 1H, C<sub>25</sub>-H), 6.56 (app-t,  $J = 7.7$ , 1H, C<sub>15</sub>-H), 6.30 (d,  $J = 7.7$ , 1H, C<sub>17</sub>-H), 5.77 (d,  $J = 10.4$ , 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-H), 5.70 (dd,  $J = 1.4, 10.4$ , 1H, C<sub>4</sub>-H), 2.94 (s, 6H, C<sub>30</sub>-(H<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>), 2.88–2.82 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 2.66 (s, 3H, C<sub>22</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>), 2.46 (s, 1H, C<sub>19</sub>-H), 2.19–2.11 (m, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 2.07–2.00 (m, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 2.00–1.91 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.81–1.72 (m, 1H, C<sub>11</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 1.70–1.64 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 1.64–1.56 (m, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 1.56–1.41 (m, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.56–1.41 (m, 1H, C<sub>11</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.20 (app-dt,  $J = 4.2$ , 12.9, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.02–0.83 (m, 2H, C<sub>20</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>), 0.65 (t,  $J = 7.5$ , 3H, C<sub>21</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>20</sup> A sample of the corresponding bis-(hydrogen chloride) salt ( $\pm$ )-**63**•2HCl was prepared from hexacyclic aniline adduct ( $\pm$ )-**63** as follows: Hydrogen chloride (2.0 M in diethyl ether, 9.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 19  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 2.0 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of hexacyclic aniline adduct ( $\pm$ )-**63** (4.0 mg, 9.7  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) in diethyl ether–chloroform (3:1, 500  $\mu\text{L}$ ) at 23 °C. A white solid precipitated immediately. The resulting slurry was concentrated under reduced pressure, and the residue was dissolved in chloroform (200  $\mu\text{L}$ ). Vapor diffusion of diethyl ether into this solution provided crystals of hexacyclic aniline adduct bis-(hydrogen chloride) salt ( $\pm$ )-**63**•2HCl suitable for X-Ray diffraction. For a thermal ellipsoid representation of ( $\pm$ )-**63**•2HCl, see page 164.



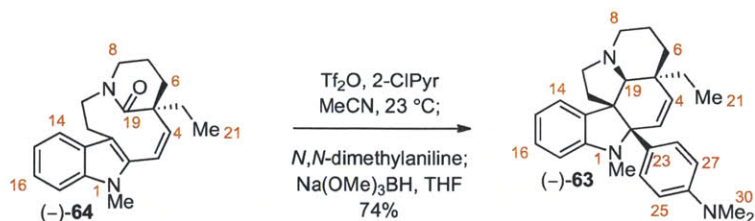
$^{13}\text{C}$ NMR (125 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20 °C):	$\delta$ 150.7 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ ), 149.2 ( $\text{C}_{26}$ ), 136.1 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 134.2 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 132.1 ( $\text{C}_{28}$ ), 131.6 ( $\text{C}_{23}$ ), 128.9 ( $\text{C}_{24}$ ), 128.6 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 127.8 ( $\text{C}_{16}$ ), 123.5 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ), 116.0 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 112.3 ( $\text{C}_{27}$ ), 111.1 ( $\text{C}_{25}$ ), 104.3 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ ), 73.8 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 72.3 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ), 57.4 ( $\text{C}_{12}$ ), 52.4 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 51.5 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ), 40.9 ( $\text{C}_{30}$ ), 38.6 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 38.3 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 35.6 ( $\text{C}_{20}$ ), 34.4 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 29.8 ( $\text{C}_{22}$ ), 23.6 ( $\text{C}_7$ ), 7.8 ( $\text{C}_{21}$ ).
FTIR (neat) $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :	2929 (s), 2791 (m), 1603 (s), 1517 (s), 1497 (s), 1315 (m), 1186 (m), 1121 (m), 734 (s).
HRMS (DART):	calc'd for $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{36}\text{N}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 414.2904, found: 414.2912.
$[\alpha]_D^{24}$ :	-186 ( $c = 0.16$ , $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ).
TLC ( $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ , 5% EtOAc in hexanes), $R_f$ :	0.65 (UV, CAM, $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).



### **Synthesis of hexacyclic aniline adduct (-)-63 from tetracyclic lactam (-)-64 and (4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)magnesium bromide:**

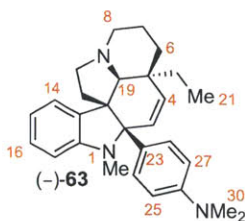
Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (19.7  $\mu\text{L}$ , 117  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of tetracyclic lactam (-)-64 (32.7 mg, 106  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (11.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 127  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.20 equiv) in acetonitrile (4 mL) at 23 °C. After 10 min, the reaction mixture was cooled to -40 °C, and (4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)magnesium bromide (0.50 M solution in tetrahydrofuran, 320  $\mu\text{L}$ , 160  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.5 equiv) was added via syringe. After 30 sec, sodium bis(2-methoxyethoxy)aluminum hydride (65% w/v solution in toluene, 323  $\mu\text{L}$ , 1.06 mmol, 10.0 equiv) was added via syringe. After 2 min, acetic acid (500  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added via syringe to quench the aluminum hydride salts, and the solution was allowed warmed to 23 °C. Saturated aqueous potassium carbonate solution (15 mL) and ethyl acetate (15 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with ethyl acetate (2  $\times$  15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (0  $\rightarrow$  1.5% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford hexacyclic aniline adduct (-)-63 (33.1 mg, 75.5%) as a white powder. See page 138 for characterization data for hexacyclic aniline adduct (-)-63.





**Synthesis of hexacyclic aniline adduct (-)-63 from tetracyclic lactam (-)-64 and *N,N*-dimethylaniline:**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (5.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 34  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.1 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of tetracyclic lactam (-)-64 (9.4 mg, 31  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (3.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 37  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.2 equiv) in acetonitrile (0.7 mL) at 23 °C. After 10 min, *N,N*-dimethylaniline (4.6  $\mu\text{L}$ , 37  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.2 equiv) was added via syringe. After 90 min, a solution of sodium trimethoxyborohydride (39.0 mg, 305  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 10.0 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (1.0 mL) was added via cannula. After 2 h, saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (15 mL) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts. Dichloromethane (15 mL) was added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane (2  $\times$  15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (0  $\rightarrow$  1.5% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford hexacyclic aniline adduct (-)-63 (9.3 mg, 74%) as a white powder. See page 138 for characterization data for hexacyclic aniline adduct (-)-63.

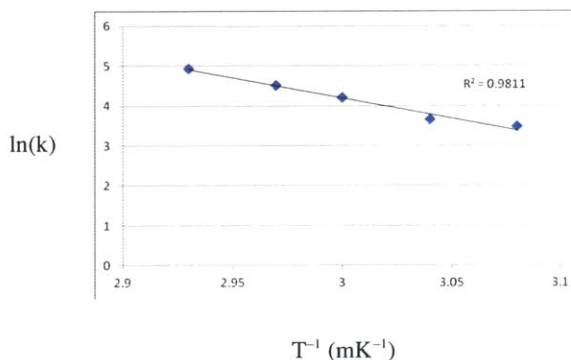


### Activation energy calculation for hexacyclic aniline adduct (-)-63 C2–C23 bond rotation:

The rate constant for rotation about the C2–C23 bond of hexacyclic aniline adduct (-)-63 in dimethyl sulfoxide- $d_6$  was approximated from changes in the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR peak separation of the resonances corresponding to the C24 and C28 protons. Data were collected at temperatures sufficiently below the coalescence point of the two resonances. In this regime, defined by  $k \approx \Delta\nu$  where  $k$  is the exchange rate constant and  $\Delta\nu = 102.03$  Hz is the peak separation of the resonances of the C24 and C28 protons at a temperature where negligible exchange is occurring, the rate constant for rotation can be approximated by  $k = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{(\Delta\nu^2 - \Delta\nu_e^2)}$ , where  $\Delta\nu_e$  is the separation of the resonances of the C24 and C28 protons at the experimental temperature,  $T$ .<sup>21</sup>

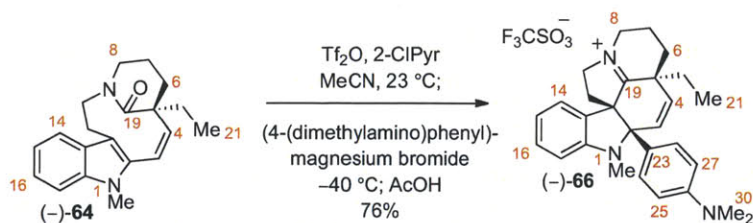
The activation energy  $E_a$  was calculated from the Arrhenius equation  $k = Ae^{-\frac{E_a}{RT}}$ , where  $R$  is the Boltzmann constant (1.98 cal/mol) and  $A$  is a constant factor. This can be written in form suitable for application of linear least squares regression:  $\ln k = -\frac{E_a}{RT} + C$ , where  $C$  is a constant.

T (°C)	$\Delta\nu_e$ (Hz)	$T^{-1}$ ( $\text{mK}^{-1}$ )	$\ln(k)$
52.0	100.98	3.08	3.48
56.0	100.52	3.04	3.66
60.0	97.46	3.00	4.21
64.0	93.27	2.97	4.52
68.0	80.93	2.93	4.93



Linear least squares gives  $E_a = 20.1 \pm 0.1$  kcal/mol.

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### Hexacyclic iminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (-)-66:

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (6.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 36  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.1 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of tetracyclic lactam (-)-64 (10.0 mg, 32.4  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (3.7  $\mu\text{L}$ , 39  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.2 equiv) in acetonitrile (1.5 mL) at 23 °C. After 10 min, the reaction mixture was cooled to -40 °C, and (4-(dimethylamino)phenyl)magnesium bromide (0.50 M solution in tetrahydrofuran, 97  $\mu\text{L}$ , 49  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.5 equiv) was added via syringe. After 30 sec, acetic acid (20  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added via syringe to quench the arylmagnesium bromide salts, and the solution was allowed warmed to 23 °C. Saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (15 mL) and dichloromethane (15 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane (2  $\times$  15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (20  $\rightarrow$  80% acetone in hexanes) to afford hexacyclic iminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (-)-66 (13.9 mg, 76.3%) as a yellow oil. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ , 72 °C):

$\delta$  7.76 (d,  $J = 7.5$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{-H}$ ), 7.06 (d,  $J = 7.5$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{16}\text{-H}$ ), 7.01 (br-d,  $J = 8.3$ , 2H,  $\text{C}_{24}\text{-H}$ ,  $\text{C}_{28}\text{-H}$ ), 6.80 (app-t,  $J = 7.5$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{-H}$ ), 6.74 (d,  $J = 8.3$ , 2H,  $\text{C}_{25}\text{-H}$ ,  $\text{C}_{27}\text{-H}$ ), 6.29 (d,  $J = 7.5$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{-H}$ ), 5.53 (d, 1H,  $J = 9.9$ ,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}$ ), 5.43 (d,  $J = 9.9$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}$ ), 4.25 (app-dd, 1H,  $J = 5.6$ , 16.6,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_a$ ), 4.17–4.07 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_a$ ), 3.57–3.44 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_b$ ), 2.68 (s, 6H,  $\text{C}_{30}\text{-(H}_3)_2$ ), 2.68–2.55 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_b$ ), 2.44 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{-H}_3$ ), 2.20–2.10 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.10–2.02 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.10–2.02 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.02–1.93 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.86–1.73 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.86–1.73 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.67–1.55 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.33–1.21 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_b$ ), 0.52 (t,  $J = 7.5$ , 3H,  $\text{C}_{21}\text{-H}_3$ ).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ , 72 °C):

$\delta$  192.0 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ), 151.8 ( $\text{C}_{26}$ ), 150.6 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ ), 132.7 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 130.9 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 130.5 ( $\text{C}_{16}$ ), 129.2 ( $\text{C}_{24}$ ,  $\text{C}_{28}$ ), 127.5 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ), 125.9 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 123.2 ( $\text{C}_{23}$ ), 122.9 (q,  $J = 322.4$ ,  $\text{F}_3\text{CSO}_3^-$ ), 120.1 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 113.5 ( $\text{C}_{25}$ ,  $\text{C}_{27}$ ), 108.1 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ ), 82.8 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 69.4 ( $\text{C}_{12}$ ), 59.3 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 50.7 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ), 43.5 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 40.4 ( $\text{C}_{30}$ ), 32.8 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 31.8 ( $\text{C}_{20}$ ), 30.2 ( $\text{C}_{22}$ ), 27.8 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 17.7 ( $\text{C}_7$ ), 7.8 ( $\text{C}_{21}$ ).

$^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ , 20 °C):

$\delta$  -78.6

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :

2925 (m), 1670 (m), 1609 (s), 1521 (m), 1489 (m), 1262 (s), 1157 (s), 1031 (s), 638 (s).

HRMS (DART):

calc'd for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{34}\text{N}_3$  [ $\text{M}-\text{CF}_3\text{O}_3\text{S}^-$ ] $^+$ : 412.2747, found: 412.2745.

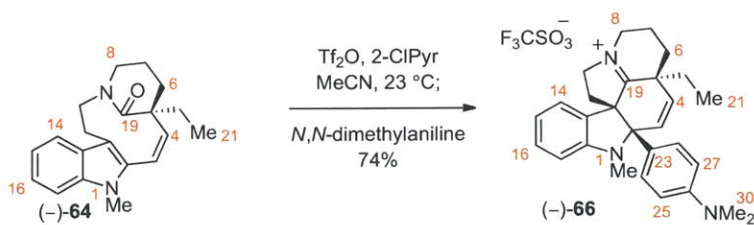
$[\alpha]_D^{24}$ :

-85 ( $c = 0.25$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ).

TLC ( $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ , 75% acetone in hexanes),  $R_f$ :

0.26 (UV, CAM,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).

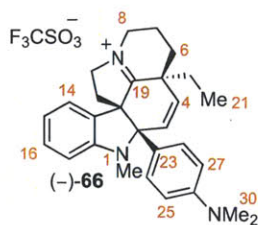




**Synthesis of hexacyclic iminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (-)-66 from tetracyclic lactam (-)-64 and  $N,N$ -dimethylaniline:**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (17.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 102  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of tetracyclic lactam (-)-64 (28.7 mg, 93.1  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (10.5  $\mu\text{L}$ , 112  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.20 equiv) in acetonitrile (3.5 mL) at 23 °C. After 10 min,  $N,N$ -dimethylaniline (14.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 112  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.20 equiv) was added via syringe. After 90 min, a solution of sodium bicarbonate (150 mg) in water (15 mL) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonic acid salts. Dichloromethane (15 mL) was added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 15$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (20  $\rightarrow$  80% acetone in hexanes) to afford hexacyclic iminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (-)-66 (37.9 mg, 72.5%) as a yellow oil. See page 142 for characterization data for hexacyclic iminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (-)-66.



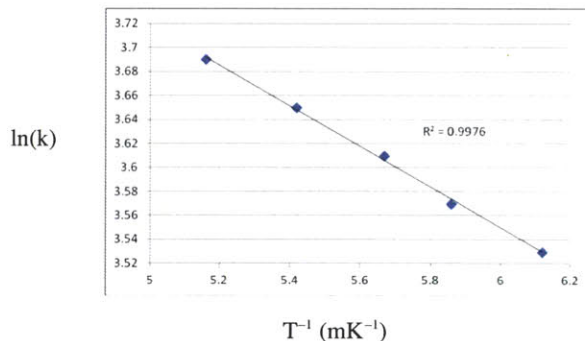


### Activation energy calculation for hexacyclic iminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (-)-66 C2–C23 bond rotation:

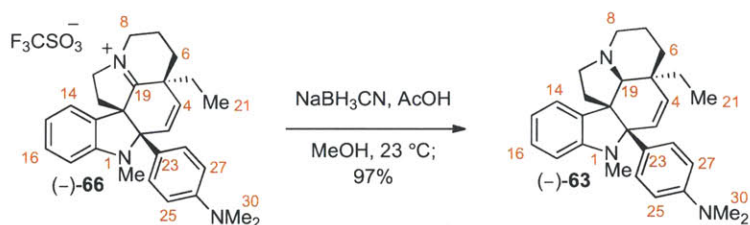
The rate constant for rotation about the C2–C23 bond of hexacyclic iminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (-)-66 in acetonitrile- $d_3$  was approximated from changes in the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR peak separation of the resonances corresponding to the C24 and C28 protons. Data were collected at temperatures sufficiently below the coalescence point of the two resonances. In this regime, defined by  $k \approx \Delta\nu$  where  $k$  is the exchange rate constant and  $\Delta\nu = 327.89$  Hz is the peak separation of the resonances of the C24 and C28 protons at a temperature where negligible exchange is occurring, the rate constant for rotation can be approximated by  $k = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{(\Delta\nu^2 - \Delta\nu_e^2)}$ , where  $\Delta\nu_e$  is the separation of the resonances of the C24 and C28 protons at the experimental temperature,  $T$ .

The activation energy  $E_a$  was calculated from the Arrhenius equation  $k = Ae^{-\frac{E_a}{RT}}$ , where  $R$  is the Boltzmann constant (1.98 cal/mol) and  $A$  is a constant factor. This can be written in form suitable for application of linear least squares regression:  $\ln k = -\frac{E_a}{RT} + C$ , where  $C$  is a constant.

$T$ ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	$\Delta\nu_e$ (Hz)	$T^{-1}$ ( $\text{mK}^{-1}$ )	$\ln(k)$
-2.0	318.41	3.69	5.16
1.0	311.86	3.65	5.42
4.0	300.67	3.61	5.67
7.0	287.73	3.57	5.86
10.0	256.17	3.53	6.12

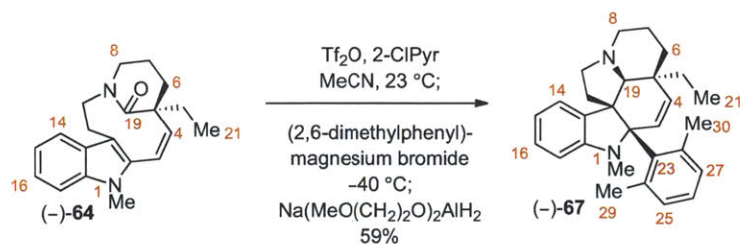


Linear least squares gives  $E_a = 11.7 \pm 0.2$  kcal/mol.



### **Reduction of hexacyclic iminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (-)-66:**

Sodium cyanoborohydride (10.1 mg, 161  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 7.89 equiv) was added as a solid under an argon atmosphere to a solution of hexacyclic iminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (-)-66 (11.5 mg, 20.4  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and acetic acid (42.9  $\mu\text{L}$ , 533  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 26.1 equiv) in methanol (2.0 mL) at 23  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ . After 2 h, saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (15 mL) was added via syringe to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts. Dichloromethane (15 mL) was added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane ( $2 \times 15$  mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (0  $\rightarrow$  1.5% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford hexacyclic aniline adduct (-)-63 (8.2 mg, 97%) as a white powder. See page 138 for characterization data for hexacyclic aniline adduct (-)-63. If the reaction is run in the absence of acetic acid, hexacyclic aniline adduct (-)-63 is afforded in 92% yield.



### Hexacyclic xylene adduct (-)-67:

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (10.5  $\mu\text{L}$ , 62.4  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of tetracyclic lactam (-)-64 (17.5 mg, 56.7  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (6.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 68  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.2 equiv) in acetonitrile (1.5 mL) at 23 °C. After 10 min, the reaction mixture was cooled to -40 °C, and (2,6-dimethylphenyl)magnesium bromide (1.0 M solution in tetrahydrofuran, 85.1  $\mu\text{L}$ , 85  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.5 equiv) was added via syringe. After 10 min, sodium bis(2-methoxyethoxy)aluminum hydride (65% w/v solution in toluene, 104  $\mu\text{L}$ , 340  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 6.00 equiv) was added via syringe. After 2 min, acetic acid (100  $\mu\text{L}$ ) was added via syringe to quench the aluminum hydride salts, and the solution was allowed warmed to 23 °C. Saturated aqueous potassium carbonate solution (15 mL) and ethyl acetate (15 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with ethyl acetate (2  $\times$  15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (0  $\rightarrow$  2% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford hexacyclic xylene adduct (-)-67 (13.4 mg, 59.2%) as a white powder. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20 °C):

$\delta$  7.03 (t,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H, C<sub>16</sub>-H), 7.01–6.95 (m, 1H, C<sub>25</sub>-H), 7.01–6.95 (m, 1H, C<sub>26</sub>-H), 7.01–6.95 (m, 1H, C<sub>14</sub>-H), 6.91 (m, 1H, C<sub>27</sub>-H), 6.50 (app-t,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H, C<sub>15</sub>-H), 6.06 (d,  $J = 10.5$ , 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-H), 6.03 (d,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H, C<sub>17</sub>-H), 5.44 (dd,  $J = 1.5, 10.5$ , 1H, C<sub>4</sub>-H), 2.89–2.83 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 2.72 (s, 3H, C<sub>29</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>), 2.56–2.50 (m, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 2.49 (s, 3H, C<sub>22</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>), 2.27 (s, 1H, C<sub>19</sub>-H), 2.17 (ddd,  $J = 5.7, 8.6, 10.5$ , 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 2.02–1.95 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.95–1.88 (m, 1H, C<sub>11</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 1.92 (s, 3H, C<sub>30</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>), 1.82 (ddd,  $J = 4.4, 10.5, 14.0$ , 1H, C<sub>11</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.65–1.59 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 1.57–1.42 (m, 2H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>), 1.29–1.13 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 0.81–0.66 (m, 2H, C<sub>20</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>), 0.55 (t,  $J = 7.5$ , 3H, C<sub>21</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20 °C):

$\delta$  149.9 (C<sub>18</sub>), 142.0 (C<sub>23</sub>), 140.1 (C<sub>24</sub>), 139.7 (C<sub>28</sub>), 134.2 (C<sub>13</sub>), 132.5 (C<sub>3</sub>), 131.6 (C<sub>4</sub>), 131.5 (C<sub>25</sub>), 130.6 (C<sub>27</sub>), 128.5 (C<sub>16</sub>), 126.3 (C<sub>26</sub>), 123.0 (C<sub>14</sub>), 115.1 (C<sub>15</sub>), 103.0 (C<sub>17</sub>), 74.5 (C<sub>2</sub>), 74.0 (C<sub>19</sub>), 57.8 (C<sub>12</sub>), 52.3 (C<sub>8</sub>), 51.8 (C<sub>10</sub>), 38.4 (C<sub>5</sub>), 36.9 (C<sub>11</sub>), 34.9 (C<sub>6</sub>), 34.4 (C<sub>20</sub>), 28.7 (C<sub>22</sub>), 25.5 (C<sub>30</sub>), 23.6 (C<sub>29</sub>), 23.2 (C<sub>7</sub>), 7.9 (C<sub>21</sub>).

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :

2929 (s), 1603 (s), 1503 (s), 1457 (m), 1382 (m), 1188 (m), 666 (s).

HRMS (DART):

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found: 399.2790.

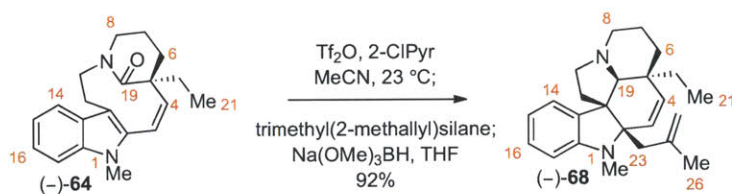
$[\alpha]_D^{24}$ :

-145 ( $c = 0.14$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ).

TLC (2% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ :

0.26 (UV, CAM,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).





### **Pentacyclic methallyl adduct (-)-68:**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (6.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 36  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.1 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of tetracyclic lactam (-)-64 (10.0 mg, 32.4  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (3.7  $\mu\text{L}$ , 39  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.2 equiv) in acetonitrile (1.3 mL) at 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 10 min, trimethyl(2-methallyl)silane (8.5  $\mu\text{L}$ , 49  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.5 equiv) was added via syringe. After 90 min, a solution of sodium trimethoxyborohydride (24.9 mg, 195  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 6.00 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (1.0 mL) was added via cannula. After 2 h, saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (15 mL) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts. Dichloromethane (15 mL) was added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane (2  $\times$  15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (10  $\rightarrow$  20% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford pentacyclic methallyl adduct (-)-68 (10.4 mg, 92.0%) as a viscous yellow oil. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

$^1\text{H NMR}$  (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$  7.03–6.93 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{16}\text{-H}$ ), 7.03–6.93 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{-H}$ ), 6.51 (app-t,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{-H}$ ), 6.10 (d,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{-H}$ ), 5.80 (d,  $J = 10.3$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}$ ), 5.64 (d,  $J = 10.3$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}$ ), 4.87–4.76 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_{25}\text{-H}_2$ ), 3.03–2.94 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_a$ ), 3.03–2.94 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.69 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{-H}_3$ ), 2.65–2.55 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.47 (s, 2H,  $\text{C}_{23}\text{-H}_2$ ), 2.28 (app-q,  $J = 8.5$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_b$ ), 2.06 (s, 1H,  $\text{C}_{19}\text{-H}$ ), 1.96–1.86 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.86–1.76 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.72 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{26}\text{-H}_3$ ), 1.70–1.61 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.54–1.43 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_2$ ), 1.16–1.06 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.06–0.96 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_a$ ), 0.84–0.74 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_b$ ), 0.53 (t,  $J = 7.5$ , 3H,  $\text{C}_{21}\text{-H}_3$ ).

$^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$  150.3 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ ), 143.2 ( $\text{C}_{24}$ ), 137.2 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 136.3 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 129.5 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 128.0 ( $\text{C}_{16}$ ), 123.2 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ), 115.8 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 114.4 ( $\text{C}_{25}$ ), 104.1 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ ), 77.4 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ), 68.4 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 57.4 ( $\text{C}_{12}$ ), 53.9 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ), 53.0 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 45.6 ( $\text{C}_{23}$ ), 39.0 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 36.3 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 34.7 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 33.7 ( $\text{C}_{20}$ ), 30.0 ( $\text{C}_{22}$ ), 25.4 ( $\text{C}_{26}$ ), 23.2 ( $\text{C}_7$ ), 7.7 ( $\text{C}_{21}$ ).

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ :

2927 (s), 1604 (s), 1501 (s), 1462 (s), 1376 (m), 736 (s).

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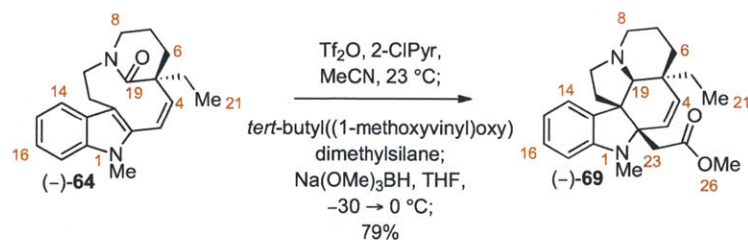
$[\alpha]_D^{24}$ :

-130 ( $c = 0.15$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ).

TLC ( $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ , 5% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ :

0.63 (UV, CAM,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).





### **Pentacyclic methyl acetate adduct (-)-69:**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (12.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 71.3  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of tetracyclic lactam (-)-64 (20.0 mg, 64.8  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (7.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 78  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.2 equiv) in acetonitrile (2.5 mL) at 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 10 min, *tert*-butyl((1-methoxyvinyl)oxy)dimethylsilane (21.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 97.3  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.50 equiv) was added via syringe. After 90 min, the reaction mixture was cooled to -30  $^\circ\text{C}$ , and a solution of sodium trimethoxyborohydride (49.8 mg, 389  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 6.00 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (1.0 mL) was added via cannula. After 30 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm slowly to 0  $^\circ\text{C}$ . After 30 min, saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (15 mL) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the resulting biphasic mixture was allowed to warm to 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . Dichloromethane (15 mL) was added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane (2  $\times$  15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (5  $\rightarrow$  10% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford pentacyclic methyl acetate adduct (-)-69 (18.8 mg, 79.1%) as a yellow oil. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

$^1\text{H NMR}$  (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  7.04–6.93 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{-H}$ ), 7.04–6.93 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{16}\text{-H}$ ), 6.54 (app-t,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{-H}$ ), 6.16 (d,  $J = 7.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{-H}$ ), 5.84 (d,  $J = 10.3$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}$ ), 5.70 (d,  $J = 10.3$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}$ ), 3.46 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{26}\text{-H}_3$ ), 3.07–2.99 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.99–2.90 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.80 (d,  $J = 14.1$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{23}\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.75 (d,  $J = 14.1$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{23}\text{-H}_b$ ), 2.72 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{-H}_3$ ), 2.55–2.45 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.30 (app-q,  $J = 8.4$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_b$ ), 2.12 (s, 1H,  $\text{C}_{19}\text{-H}$ ), 1.98–1.81 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.98–1.81 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.73–1.64 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.53–1.42 (m, 2H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_2$ ), 1.19–1.02 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.19–1.02 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_a$ ), 0.92–0.80 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_b$ ), 0.56 (t,  $J = 7.4$ , 3H,  $\text{C}_{21}\text{-H}_3$ ).

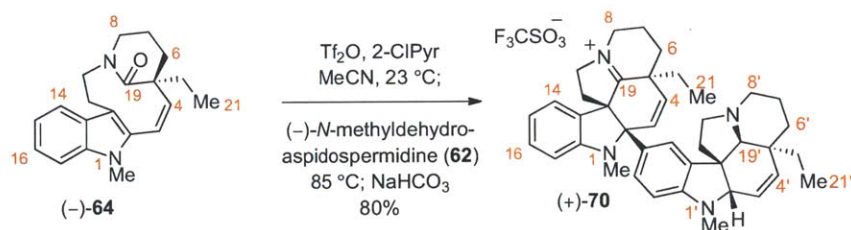
$^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):  $\delta$  171.7 ( $\text{C}_{24}$ ), 149.9 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ ), 138.3 ( $\text{C}_4$ ), 135.7 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 127.9 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ), 127.8 ( $\text{C}_3$ ), 123.0 ( $\text{C}_{16}$ ), 116.6 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 104.8 ( $\text{C}_{27}$ ), 76.3 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ), 68.9 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 57.1 ( $\text{C}_{12}$ ), 53.4 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ), 52.7 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 51.5 ( $\text{C}_{26}$ ), 42.1 ( $\text{C}_{23}$ ), 39.0 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 36.6 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 34.8 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 33.8 ( $\text{C}_{20}$ ), 29.6 ( $\text{C}_{22}$ ), 23.0 ( $\text{C}_7$ ), 7.8 ( $\text{C}_{21}$ ).

FTIR (neat)  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 2934 (s), 1733 (s), 1603 (s), 1494 (s), 1304 (m), 1189 (m), 1156 (m), 737 (m).

HRMS (DART): calc'd for  $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{31}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$   $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 367.2380, found: 367.2377.

$[\alpha]_D^{24}$ : -95 ( $c = 0.17$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ).

TLC ( $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ , 10% EtOAc in hexanes),  $R_f$ : 0.26 (UV, CAM,  $\text{KMnO}_4$ ).



### **Decacyclic iminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (+)-70:**

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (16.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 97.0  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.10 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of tetracyclic lactam (–)-**64** (27.2 mg, 88.2  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (10.0  $\mu\text{L}$ , 106  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.20 equiv) in acetonitrile (2.0 mL) at 23 °C. After 10 min, a solution of (–)-*N*-methyldehydroaspidospermidine (**62**, 26.0 mg, 88.2  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.00 equiv) in acetonitrile (2.0 mL) was added via cannula. After 5 min, the reaction mixture was warmed to 85 °C. After 90 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to cool to 23 °C, and a solution of sodium bicarbonate (150 mg) in water (15 mL) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonic acid salts. Dichloromethane (15 mL) was added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane (2  $\times$  15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (10  $\rightarrow$  85% acetone in hexanes) to afford decacyclic iminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (+)-**70** (51.8 mg, 79.9%) as an amorphous orange solid. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, PhMe-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 80 °C):

$\delta$  7.86 (d,  $J = 7.5$ , 1H, C<sub>14</sub>-H), 7.01 (app-t,  $J = 7.5$ , 1H, C<sub>16</sub>-H), 7.01–6.96 (br-s, 1H, C<sub>14</sub>-H), 6.78 (app-t,  $J = 7.5$ , 1H, C<sub>15</sub>-H), 6.77–6.66 (br-m, 1H, C<sub>16</sub>-H), 6.30–6.21 (m, 1H, C<sub>17</sub>-H), 6.30–6.21 (m, 1H, C<sub>17</sub>-H), 5.69 (dd,  $J = 3.8$ , 10.3, 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-H), 5.56 (d,  $J = 10.0$ , 1H, C<sub>4</sub>-H), 5.51 (d,  $J = 10.3$ , 1H, C<sub>4</sub>-H), 5.46 (d,  $J = 10.0$ , 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-H), 4.38–4.25 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 4.38–4.25 (m, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 3.68 (d,  $J = 3.8$ , 1H, C<sub>2</sub>-H), 3.38–3.27 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 3.07–2.98 (m, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 2.86–2.79 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 2.72–2.64 (m, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 2.64 (s, 3H, C<sub>22</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>), 2.49 (s, 3H, C<sub>22</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>), 2.35–2.26 (m, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 2.26–2.15 (m, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 2.26–2.15 (m, 2H, C<sub>11</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>), 2.15 (s, 1H, C<sub>19</sub>-H), 2.14–2.04 (m, 1H, C<sub>20</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 2.14–2.04 (m, 1H, C<sub>11</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 1.95–1.88 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 1.88–1.74 (m, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.88–1.74 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.88–1.74 (m, 1H, C<sub>11</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.68 (dq,  $J = 6.3, 7.5$ , 1H, C<sub>20</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.58–1.47 (m, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 1.58–1.47 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 1.39–1.31 (m, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.25–1.17 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.13–1.04 (m, 1H, C<sub>20</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 1.01–0.91 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.01–0.91 (m, 1H, C<sub>20</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 0.59 (t,  $J = 7.5$ , 3H, C<sub>21</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>), 0.56 (t,  $J = 7.5$ , 3H, C<sub>21</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, PhMe-*d*<sub>8</sub>, 80 °C):

$\delta$  192.2 (C<sub>19</sub>), 152.0 (C<sub>18'</sub>), 150.4 (C<sub>18</sub>), 137.4 (C<sub>13</sub>), 136.9 (C<sub>4</sub>), 132.7 (C<sub>4</sub>), 130.8 (C<sub>13</sub>), 130.3 (C<sub>16</sub>), 128.6 (C<sub>16'</sub>), 127.7 (C<sub>14</sub>), 125.9 (C<sub>3</sub>), 124.0 (C<sub>3'</sub>), 123.2 (C<sub>15</sub>), 122.8 (C<sub>14</sub>), 122.5 (q,  $J = 322.4$ , F<sub>3</sub>CSO<sub>3</sub><sup>–</sup>), 120.0 (C<sub>15</sub>),

107.9 (C<sub>17</sub>), 105.6 (C<sub>17</sub>), 83.1 (C<sub>2</sub>), 73.0 (C<sub>19</sub>), 71.5 (C<sub>2</sub>), 69.6 (C<sub>12</sub>), 59.2 (C<sub>10</sub>), 52.9 (C<sub>12</sub>), 52.6 (C<sub>8</sub>), 52.4 (C<sub>10</sub>), 50.7 (C<sub>8</sub>), 44.4 (C<sub>11</sub>), 43.6 (C<sub>5</sub>), 39.3 (C<sub>5</sub>), 36.2 (C<sub>20</sub>), 34.6 (C<sub>6</sub>), 32.4 (C<sub>11</sub>), 31.7 (C<sub>22</sub>), 31.4 (C<sub>20</sub>), 29.9 (C<sub>22</sub>), 28.1 (C<sub>6</sub>), 23.5 (C<sub>7</sub>), 17.6 (C<sub>7</sub>), 7.7 (C<sub>21</sub>), 7.6 (C<sub>21</sub>).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20 °C): δ -78.9

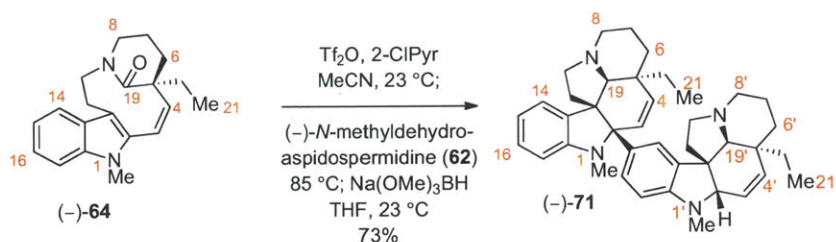
FTIR (neat) cm<sup>-1</sup>: 2933 (s), 1672 (m), 1608 (s), 1489 (s), 1454 (m), 1262 (s), 1155 (s), 1031 (s), 752 (m).

HRMS (DART): calc'd for C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>49</sub>N<sub>4</sub> [M-CF<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S]<sup>+</sup>: 585.3952, found: 585.3941.

[α]<sub>D</sub><sup>24</sup>: +9 (c = 0.076, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>).

TLC (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, 75% acetone in hexanes), R<sub>f</sub>: 0.48 (UV, CAM, KMnO<sub>4</sub>).





### Decacyclic dimer (-)-71:

Trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (7.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 42  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.1 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of tetracyclic lactam (-)-**64** (11.8 mg, 38.2  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) and 2-chloropyridine (4.3  $\mu\text{L}$ , 46  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.2 equiv) in acetonitrile (0.6 mL) at 23 °C. After 10 min, a solution of (-)-*N*-methyldehydroaspidospermidine (**62**, 13.5 mg, 45.9  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1.20 equiv) in acetonitrile (1.2 mL) was added via cannula. After 5 min, the reaction mixture was warmed to 85 °C. After 90 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to cool to 23 °C, and a solution of sodium trimethoxyborohydride (29.3 mg, 229  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 6.00 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (1.8 mL) was added via cannula. After 3 h, saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (15 mL) was added to quench the trifluoromethanesulfonate salts, and the resulting biphasic mixture was allowed to warm to 23 °C. Dichloromethane (15 mL) was added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane (2  $\times$  15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (0.5% acetic acid, 20% methanol, 20% tetrahydrofuran in dichloromethane  $\rightarrow$  30% methanol in dichloromethane) to afford decacyclic dimer (-)-**71** as its acetic acid salt, which was dissolved in ethyl acetate (30 mL) and washed with saturated aqueous potassium carbonate solution (30 mL) and brine (30 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, was filtered, and was concentrated under reduced pressure to afford decacyclic dimer (-)-**71** (16.3 mg, 72.6%) as a colorless gum. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20 °C, 1.7:1 atropisomer mixture, \* denotes minor atropisomer):  $\delta$  7.36 (d,  $J$  = 1.7, 1H, C<sub>14</sub>-H\*), 7.28 (d,  $J$  = 8.3, 1H, C<sub>16</sub>-H), 7.11–7.07 (m, 1H, C<sub>16</sub>-H\*), 7.09–7.06 (m, 1H, C<sub>16</sub>-H), 7.08 (d,  $J$  = 1.8, 1H, C<sub>14</sub>-H), 7.04 (app-dt,  $J$  = 1.1, 7.5, 1H, C<sub>16</sub>-H\*), 6.97 (d,  $J$  = 7.7, 1H, C<sub>14</sub>-H), 6.97–6.94 (m, 1H, C<sub>14</sub>-H\*), 6.58 (app-t,  $J$  = 7.2, 1H, C<sub>15</sub>-H), 6.55 (app-t,  $J$  = 7.3, 1H, C<sub>15</sub>-H\*), 6.33 (d,  $J$  = 7.7, 1H, C<sub>17</sub>-H), 6.30 (d,  $J$  = 7.7, 1H, C<sub>17</sub>-H\*), 6.23 (d,  $J$  = 8.3, 1H, C<sub>17</sub>-H), 6.17 (d,  $J$  = 8.2, 1H, C<sub>17</sub>-H\*), 5.98 (dd,  $J$  = 4.5, 10.2, 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-H), 5.98–5.95 (m, 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-H\*), 5.74 (d,  $J$  = 10.2, 1H, C<sub>4</sub>-H), 5.73–5.63 (m, 1H, C<sub>4</sub>-H\*), 5.73–5.63 (m, 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-H), 5.73–5.63 (m, 1H, C<sub>4</sub>-H), 5.73–5.63 (m, 1H, C<sub>4</sub>-H\*), 5.73–5.63 (m, 1H, C<sub>3</sub>-H\*), 3.76–3.71 (m, 1H, C<sub>2</sub>-H), 3.76–3.71 (m, 1H, C<sub>2</sub>-H\*), 3.16–3.00 (m, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>\*), 3.16–3.00 (m, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 3.16–3.00 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>\*), 3.16–3.00 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 2.84 (s, 3H, C<sub>22</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>), 2.82 (s, 3H, C<sub>22</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>\*), 2.80–2.73 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 2.80–2.73 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>\*), 2.62 (s, 3H, C<sub>22</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>), 2.61 (s, 3H, C<sub>22</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>\*), 2.54 (s, 1H, C<sub>19</sub>-H\*), 2.52 (s, 1H, C<sub>19</sub>-H), 2.34–2.26 (m, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 2.26–2.19 (m, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>\*), 2.17 (s, 1H, C<sub>19</sub>-H\*), 2.12 (s, 1H, C<sub>19</sub>-H), 2.15–1.83 (m,



1H, C<sub>11'</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 2.15–1.83 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 2.15–1.83 (m, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>\*), 2.15–1.83 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>\*), 2.15–1.83 (m, 1H, C<sub>11'</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>\*), 2.15–1.83 (m, 1H, C<sub>11'</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 2.15–1.83 (m, 1H, C<sub>10</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>), 2.15–1.83 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 2.15–1.83 (m, 1H, C<sub>8</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>\*), 2.15–1.83 (m, 1H, C<sub>11'</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>\*), 2.15–1.83 (m, 1H, C<sub>11</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 2.15–1.83 (m, 1H, C<sub>11</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>\*), 1.77–1.60 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>\*), 1.77–1.60 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>\*), 1.77–1.60 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 1.67–1.48 (m, 2H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>\*), 1.67–1.48 (m, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>\*), 1.67–1.48 (m, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 1.67–1.48 (m, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 1.67–1.48 (m, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.67–1.48 (m, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>\*), 1.67–1.48 (m, 1H, C<sub>7</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.53–1.39 (m, 1H, C<sub>11</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.53–1.39 (m, 1H, C<sub>11</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>\*), 1.32–1.15 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>\*), 1.32–1.15 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.32–1.15 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 1.32–1.15 (m, 1H, C<sub>6</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>\*), 1.15–0.83 (m, 2H, C<sub>20</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>\*), 1.15–0.83 (m, 1H, C<sub>20</sub>-H<sub>a</sub>), 1.15–0.83 (m, 2H, C<sub>20</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>\*), 1.15–0.83 (m, 1H, C<sub>20</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>), 1.15–0.83 (m, 1H, C<sub>20</sub>-H<sub>b</sub>), 0.66 (t, *J* = 7.4, 3H, C<sub>21</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>\*), 0.65 (t, *J* = 7.5, 3H, C<sub>21</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>), 0.62 (t, *J* = 7.4, 3H, C<sub>21</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>\*), 0.50 (t, *J* = 7.5, 3H, C<sub>21</sub>-H<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 20 °C, 1.7:1 atropisomer mixture, \* denotes minor atropisomer): δ

150.8 (C<sub>18</sub>), 150.8 (C<sub>18</sub>\*), 149.4 (C<sub>18</sub>), 149.3 (C<sub>18</sub>\*), 139.1 (C<sub>4</sub>\*), 137.9 (C<sub>4</sub>), 135.5 (C<sub>4</sub>), 135.4 (C<sub>4</sub>\*), 134.8 (C<sub>13</sub>\*), 134.6 (C<sub>13</sub>), 134.0 (C<sub>13</sub>), 133.9 (C<sub>13</sub>\*), 131.8 (C<sub>16</sub>), 131.5 (C<sub>15</sub>\*), 131.2 (C<sub>15</sub>\*), 128.7 (C<sub>3</sub>\*), 128.4 (C<sub>3</sub>), 127.7 (C<sub>16</sub>), 127.7 (C<sub>16</sub>\*), 127.7 (C<sub>16</sub>\*), 127.1 (C<sub>14</sub>\*), 125.1 (C<sub>3</sub>), 124.6 (C<sub>3</sub>\*), 123.5 (C<sub>14</sub>), 123.5 (C<sub>14</sub>\*), 123.2 (C<sub>14</sub>), 116.2 (C<sub>15</sub>\*), 116.1 (C<sub>15</sub>), 104.7 (C<sub>17</sub>), 104.7 (C<sub>17</sub>\*), 104.6 (C<sub>17</sub>), 103.4 (C<sub>17</sub>\*), 75.3 (C<sub>19</sub>), 74.4 (C<sub>2</sub>\*), 74.3 (C<sub>2</sub>), 74.0 (C<sub>19</sub>\*), 71.7 (C<sub>2</sub>), 71.5 (C<sub>2</sub>\*), 71.3 (C<sub>19</sub>), 71.2 (C<sub>19</sub>\*), 57.0 (C<sub>12</sub>\*), 57.0 (C<sub>12</sub>), 53.3 (C<sub>10</sub>\*), 53.0 (C<sub>10</sub>), 52.9 (C<sub>8</sub>\*), 52.8 (C<sub>8</sub>), 52.3 (C<sub>8</sub>\*), 52.3 (C<sub>12</sub>), 52.1 (C<sub>8</sub>), 52.1 (C<sub>12</sub>\*), 51.2 (C<sub>10</sub>\*), 50.7 (C<sub>10</sub>), 45.4 (C<sub>11</sub>), 44.5 (C<sub>11</sub>\*), 39.1 (C<sub>5</sub>), 39.1 (C<sub>5</sub>\*), 38.5 (C<sub>5</sub>), 38.4 (C<sub>5</sub>\*), 38.2 (C<sub>11</sub>\*), 38.1 (C<sub>11</sub>), 36.1 (C<sub>20</sub>), 36.0 (C<sub>20</sub>\*), 35.4 (C<sub>20</sub>), 34.4 (C<sub>6</sub>\*), 34.3 (C<sub>6</sub>), 34.3 (C<sub>6</sub>), 34.2 (C<sub>6</sub>\*), 34.1 (C<sub>20</sub>\*), 33.4 (C<sub>22</sub>), 33.2 (C<sub>22</sub>\*), 29.9 (C<sub>22</sub>\*), 29.5 (C<sub>22</sub>), 23.7 (C<sub>7</sub>\*), 23.6 (C<sub>7</sub>), 23.3 (C<sub>7</sub>), 23.3 (C<sub>7</sub>\*), 8.0 (C<sub>21</sub>\*), 7.9 (C<sub>21</sub>), 7.9 (C<sub>21</sub>\*), 7.7 (C<sub>21</sub>).

FTIR (neat) cm<sup>-1</sup>:

2928 (s), 2781 (m), 1603 (s), 1494 (s), 1373 (m), 1263 (m), 1190 (m), 1122 (m), 736 (m), 666 (m).

HRMS (DART):

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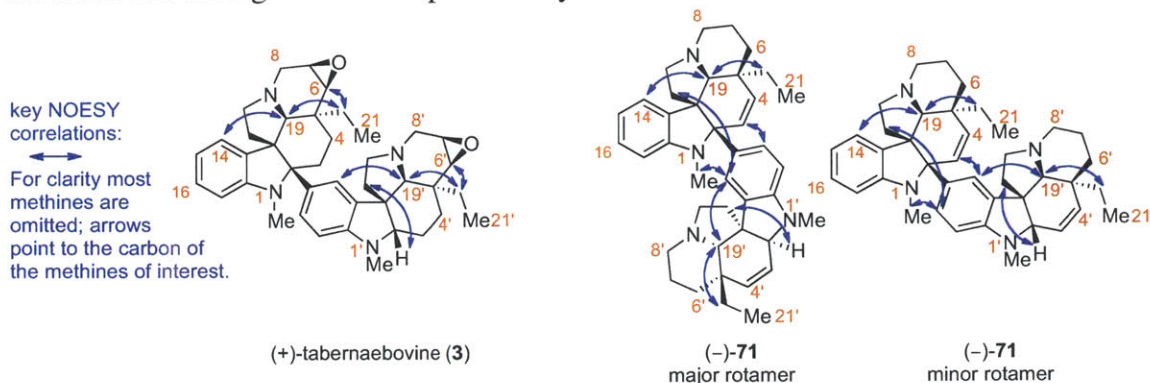
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TLC (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, 10% EtOAc in hexanes), R<sub>f</sub>:

0.40 (UV, CAM, KMnO<sub>4</sub>).

**Table S5. Comparison of our <sup>1</sup>H NMR data for decacyclic dimer (-)-71 with literature data for (+)-tabernaevovine (3):**<sup>22,23</sup>

Blue arrows in the figure below represent key NOESY correlations:

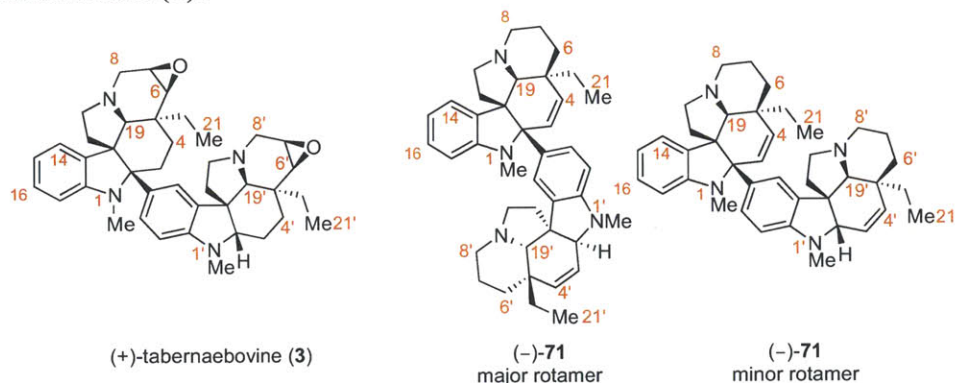


Assignment	Ripperger's Report <sup>22</sup> (+)-Tabernaevovine (3) <sup>1</sup> H NMR, 500 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub>	This Work (-)-71 <sup>1</sup> H NMR, 500 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 20 °C * denotes minor atropisomer resonance
C2	-	-
C3	2.83 (dd, <i>J</i> = 3.7, 13.4, 1H) 1.83 (m, 1H)	5.73–5.63 (m, 1H) 5.73–5.63* (m, 1H)
C4	2.08 (m, 1H) 1.43 (m, 1H)	5.73–5.63 (m, 1H) 5.73–5.63* (m, 1H)
C5	-	-
C6	2.98 (d, <i>J</i> = 3.9, 1H)	1.77–1.60 (m, 1H) 1.32–1.15 (m, 1H) 1.77–1.60* (m, 1H) 1.32–1.15* (m, 1H)
C7	3.30 (m, 1H)	1.67–1.48 (m, 2H) 1.67–1.48* (m, 2H)
C8	3.49 (dd, <i>J</i> = 13.0, 1.5, 1H) 2.27 (d, <i>J</i> = 12.8, 1H)	2.80–2.73 (m, 1H) 2.15–1.83 (m, 1H) 2.80–2.73* (m, 1H) 2.15–1.83* (m, 1H)
C10	2.78 (dt, <i>J</i> = 3.4, 8.5, 1H) 2.07 (m, 1H)	2.15–1.83 (m, 2H) 2.15–1.83* (m, 2H)
C11	1.59 (m, 1H) 1.50 (m, 1H)	2.15–1.83 (m, 1H) 1.53–1.39 (m, 1H) 2.15–1.83* (m, 1H) 1.53–1.39* (m, 1H)
C12	-	-
C13	-	-
C14	6.90 (d, <i>J</i> = 6.7, 1H)	6.97 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.7, 1H) 6.97–6.94* (m, 1H)
C15	6.54 (dt, <i>J</i> = 0.7, 7.3, 1H)	6.58 (app-t, <i>J</i> = 7.2, 1H) 6.55* (app-t, <i>J</i> = 7.3, 1H)
C16	7.09 (dt, <i>J</i> = 1.2, 7.6, 1H)	7.09–7.06 (m, 1H) 7.04* (app-dt, <i>J</i> = 1.1, 7.5, 1H)
C17	6.27 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.9, 1H)	6.33 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.7, 1H) 6.30* (d, <i>J</i> = 7.7, 1H)
C18	-	-
C19	2.04 (s, 1H)	2.52 (s, 1H) 2.54* (s, 1H)
C20	1.07 (m, 2H)	1.15–0.83 (m, 2H) 1.15–0.83* (m, 2H)

<sup>22</sup> Lim, T. P.; Kamperdick, C.; Sung, T. V.; Adam, G.; Ripperger, H. *Phytochemistry* **1998**, *49*, 1797.

C21	0.68 (t, $J = 7.4$ , 3H)	0.65 (t, $J = 7.5$ , 3H) 0.62* (t, $J = 7.4$ , 3H)
C22	2.46 (s, 3H)	2.62 (s, 3H) 2.61* (s, 3H)
C2'	3.34 (br-d, $J = 5.2$ , 1H)	3.76–3.71 (m, 1H) 3.76–3.71* (m, 1H)
C3'	1.74 (m, 1H) 1.10 (m, 1H)	5.98 (dd, $J = 4.5, 10.2$ , 1H) 5.98–5.95* (m, 1H)
C4'	1.76 (m, 1H) 1.37 (m, 1H)	5.74 (d, $J = 10.2$ , 1H) 5.73–5.63* (m, 1H)
C5'	-	-
C6'	2.88 (br-s, 1H)	1.77–1.60 (m, 1H) 1.32–1.15 (m, 1H) 1.77–1.60* (m, 1H) 1.32–1.15* (m, 1H)
C7'	3.30 (m, 1H)	1.67–1.48 (m, 2H) 1.67–1.48* (m, 2H)
C8'	3.53 (br-d, $J = 12.8$ , 1H) <i>ca.</i> 2.30 (m, 1H)	3.16–3.00 (m, 1H) 2.15–1.83 (m, 1H) 3.16–3.00* (m, 1H) 2.15–1.83* (m, 1H)
C10'	3.15 (t, $J = 7.6$ , 1H) 2.07 (m, 1H)	3.16–3.00 (m, 1H) 2.34–2.26 (m, 1H) 3.16–3.00* (m, 1H) 2.26–2.19* (m, 1H)
C11'	2.23 (m, 1H) 1.50 (m, 1H)	2.15–1.83 (m, 2H) 2.15–1.83* (m, 2H)
C12'	-	-
C13'	-	-
C14'	not observed	7.08 (d, $J = 1.8$ , 1H) 7.36* (d, $J = 1.7$ , 1H)
C15'	-	-
C16'	6.93 (br, 1H)	7.28 (d, $J = 8.3$ , 1H) 7.11–7.07* (m, 1H)
C17'	6.24 (br-d, $J = 7.0$ , 1H)	6.23 (d, $J = 8.3$ , 1H) 6.17* (d, $J = 8.2$ , 1H)
C18'	-	-
C19'	2.05	2.12 (s, 1H) 2.17* (s, 1H)
C20'	1.11 (m, 2H)	1.15–0.83 (m, 2H) 1.15–0.83* (m, 2H)
C21'	0.68 (t, $J = 7.4$ , 3H)	0.50 (t, $J = 7.5$ , 3H) 0.66* (t, $J = 7.4$ , 3H)
C22'	2.70 (s, 3H)	2.84 (s, 3H) 2.82* (s, 3H)

**Table S6. Comparison of our  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR data for decacyclic dimer (–)-71 with literature data for (+)-tabernaebovine (3):<sup>23</sup>**



Assign-ment	Ripperger's Report <sup>22</sup> (+)-tabernaebovine (3) $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR, 125 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$	This Work (–)-71 $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR, 125 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20 °C * denotes minor atropisomer resonance		Chemical Shift Difference $\Delta\delta = \delta$ (this work) – $\delta$ (Ref. 22)
	Chemical Shift	Chemical Shift	Key gHMBC Correlations	
C2	74.8	74.3 74.4*	C3, C4, C11, C19, C22, C14', C16' C3*, C4*, C11*, C19*, C22*, C14'*, C16'*	–0.5 –0.4*
C3	26.0	128.4 128.7*	-	102.4 <sup>24</sup> 102.7* <sup>24</sup>
C4	28.4	135.5 135.4*	C6, C19, C20 C6*, C19*, C20*	107.1 <sup>24</sup> 107.0* <sup>24</sup>
C5	32.8	38.5 38.4*	C3, C4, C7, C19, C20, C21 C3*, C4*, C7*, C19*, C20*, C21*	5.7 5.6*
C6	60.2	34.3 34.2*	C4, C7, C8, C19, C20 C4*, C7*, C8*, C19*, C20*	–25.9 <sup>25</sup> –26.0* <sup>25</sup>
C7	53.12	23.6 23.7*	C6, C8 C6*, C8*	–29.52 <sup>25</sup> –29.42 <sup>25</sup>
C8	52.2	52.1 52.3*	C6, C7, C10, C19 C6*, C7*, C10*, C19*	–0.1 0.1*
C10	53.6	50.7 51.2*	C8, C11, C19 C8*, C11*, C19*	–2.9 –2.4*
C11	36.2	38.1 38.2*	C10, C19 C10*, C19*	1.9 2.0*
C12	56.8	57.0 57.0*	C3, C10, C11, C14, C19 C3*, C10*, C11*, C14*, C19*	0.2 0.2*
C13	135.1	134.0 133.9*	C11, C15, C17, C19 C11*, C15*, C17*, C19*	–1.1 –1.2*
C14	123.0	123.5 123.5*	C15, C16 C15*, C16*	0.5 0.5*
C15	115.6	116.1 116.2*	C16, C17 C16*, C17*	0.5 0.6*
C16	128.1	127.7 127.7*	C14, C15 C14*, C15*	–0.4 –0.4*
C17	102.7	104.6 104.7*	C15, C16 C15*, C16*	1.9 2.0*
C18	152.4	150.8 150.8*	C14, C16, C22 C14*, C16*, C22*	–1.6 –1.6*

<sup>23</sup> The lack of epoxides and the presence of alkenes in dimer (–)-71 results in greater C2–C15' atropisomerism compared to (+)-tabernaebovine (3).



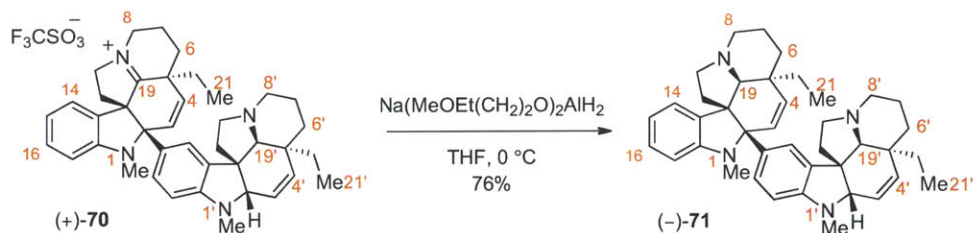
C19	72.8	71.3 71.2*	C4, C6, C8, C10, C11, C20 C4*, C6*, C8*, C10*, C11*, C20*	-1.5 -1.6*
C20	32.9	36.1 36.0*	C4, C6, C19, C21 C4*, C6*, C19*, C21*	3.2 3.1*
C21	8.1	7.9 7.9*	C20 C20*	-0.2 -0.2*
C22	29.0	29.5 29.9*	- -	0.5 0.9*
C2'	73.3	71.7 71.5*	C3', C4', C11', C19', C22' C3'*, C4'*, C11'*, C19'*, C22'*	-1.6 -1.8*
C3'	20.1	125.1 124.6*	C2' C2'*	105.0 <sup>26</sup> 104.5* <sup>26</sup>
C4'	24.3	137.9 139.1*	C2', C6', C19', C20' C2'*, C6'*, C19'*, C20'*	113.6 <sup>26</sup> 114.8* <sup>26</sup>
C5'	34.5	39.1 39.1*	C3', C4', C7', C19', C20', C21' C3'*, C4'*, C7'*, C19'*, C20'*, C21'*	4.6 4.6*
C6'	57.6	34.3 34.4*	C4', C7', C8', C19', C20' C4'*, C7'*, C8'*, C19'*, C20'*	-23.3 <sup>27</sup> -23.2* <sup>27</sup>
C7'	53.1	23.3 23.3*	C6', C8' C6'*, C8'*	-29.8 <sup>27</sup> -29.8* <sup>27</sup>
C8'	53.06	52.8 52.9*	C6', C7', C10', C19' C6'*, C7'*, C10'*, C19'*	-0.26 -0.16*
C10'	53.6	53.0 53.3*	C8', C11', C19' C8'*, C11'*, C19'*	-0.6 -0.3*
C11'	41.1	45.4 44.5*	C2', C10', C19' C2'*, C10'*, C19'*	4.3 3.4*
C12'	51.2	52.3 52.1*	C2', C3', C10', C11', C14', C19' C2'*, C3'*, C10'*, C11'*, C14'*, C19'*	1.1 0.9*
C13'	136.4	134.6 134.8*	C11', C17', C19' C11'*, C17'*, C19'*	-1.8 -1.6*
C14'	120.7	123.2 127.1*	C16' C16'*	2.5 6.4*
C15'	132.2	131.5 131.2*	C3, C17' C3*, C17'*	-0.7 -1.0*
C16'	126.9	131.8 127.7*	C14' C14'*	4.9 0.8*
C17'	105.9	104.7 103.4*	C16' C16'*	-1.2 -2.5*
C18'	148.8	149.4 149.3*	C14', C16', C22' C14'*, C16'*, C22'*	0.6 0.5*
C19'	66.7	75.3 74.0*	C2', C4', C6', C8', C10', C11', C20' C2'*, C4'*, C6'*, C8'*, C10'*, C11'*, C20'*	8.6 7.3*
C20'	27.9	35.4 34.1*	C4', C6', C19', C21' C4'*, C6'*, C19'*, C21'*	7.5 6.2*
C21'	7.5	7.7 8.0*	C20' C20'*	0.2 0.5*
C22'	31.5	33.4 33.2*	C2' C2'*	1.9 1.7*

<sup>24</sup> Difference in chemical shift is due to presence and absence of C3–C4 double bond in (–)-**71** and (+)-tabernaebovine (**3**), respectively.

<sup>25</sup> Difference in chemical shift is due to absence and presence of C6–C7 epoxide in (–)-**71** and (+)-tabernaebovine (**3**), respectively.

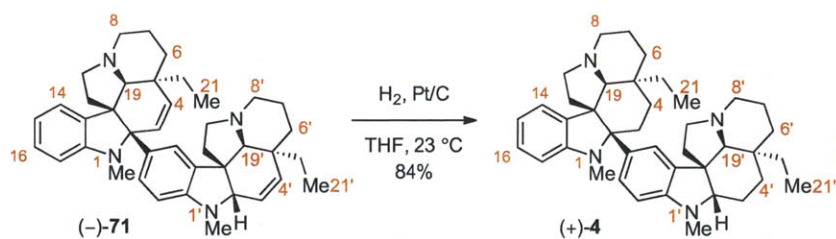
<sup>26</sup> Difference in chemical shift is due to presence and absence of C3'–C4' double bond in (–)-**71** and (+)-tabernaebovine (**3**), respectively.

<sup>27</sup> Difference in chemical shift is due to absence and presence of C6'–C7' epoxide in (–)-**71** and (+)-tabernaebovine (**3**), respectively.



**Synthesis of decacyclic dimer (-)-71 by reduction of decacyclic iminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (+)-70:**

Sodium bis(2-methoxyethoxy)aluminum hydride (65% w/v solution in toluene, 91.2  $\mu\text{L}$ , 299  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 5.00 equiv) was added via syringe to a solution of decacyclic iminium trifluoromethanesulfonate (+)-70 (43.9 mg, 59.7  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (4.0 mL) at 0 °C. After 30 min, aqueous hydrogen chloride solution (2.0 mL) was added to quench the aluminum hydride salts, and the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 23 °C. Saturated aqueous potassium carbonate solution (15 mL) and ethyl acetate (15 mL) were added, and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was further extracted with ethyl acetate (2  $\times$  15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, were filtered, and were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (3  $\rightarrow$  7% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford decacyclic dimer (-)-71 (26.6 mg, 75.9%) as a colorless gum. See page 151 for characterization data for decacyclic dimer (-)-71.



**(+)-Dideepoxytabernaevine (4):**

Platinum on charcoal (10% w/w, 50.0 mg, 25.6  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 2.00 equiv) was added as a solid to a solution of decacyclic dimer (-)-71 (7.5 mg, 13  $\mu\text{mol}$ , 1 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (1.4 mL) at 23  $^\circ\text{C}$ . The opened reaction vessel was placed in a Parr bomb and sealed under an atmosphere of hydrogen gas (900 psi). After 72 h, the Parr Bomb was opened in air, and the suspension was filtered over Celite. The solids were further extracted with ethyl acetate, and the combined filtrates were concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on alumina (0  $\rightarrow$  2% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford (+)-dideepoxytabernaevine (4, 6.3 mg, 84%) as a colorless gum. Structural assignments were made with additional information from gCOSY, HSQC, gHMBC, and NOESY data.

$^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 53  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$  7.19 (br-d,  $J = 8.2$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{16}\text{-H}$ ), 7.16 (br-s, 1H,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{-H}$ ), 7.08 (app-t,  $J = 7.5$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{16}\text{-H}$ ), 6.94 (d,  $J = 7.1$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{14}\text{-H}$ ), 6.57 (app-t,  $J = 7.4$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{15}\text{-H}$ ), 6.30 (d,  $J = 7.6$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{-H}$ ), 6.24 (d,  $J = 8.2$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{17}\text{-H}$ ), 3.37 (dd,  $J = 6.0, 10.6$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_2\text{-H}$ ), 3.07 (app-dt,  $J = 2.9, 8.9$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.99 (app-d,  $J = 10.8$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.86 (app-d,  $J = 9.5$ , 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.73 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{-H}_3$ ), 2.60–2.51 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.50 (s, 3H,  $\text{C}_{22}\text{-H}_3$ ), 2.32–2.20 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.32–2.20 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.17 (s, 1H,  $\text{C}_{19}\text{-H}$ ), 2.17–2.06 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_b$ ), 2.17–2.06 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}_a$ ), 2.03 (s, 1H,  $\text{C}_{19}\text{-H}$ ), 1.98–1.82 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{10}\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.98–1.82 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.98–1.82 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_8\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.98–1.82 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.98–1.82 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.82–1.64 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.82–1.64 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.82–1.64 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.82–1.64 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.63–1.28 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.63–1.28 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.63–1.28 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.63–1.28 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_7\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.63–1.28 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.63–1.28 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{11}\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.63–1.28 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.63–1.28 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.28–1.17 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_a$ ), 1.28–1.17 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_3\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.16–0.98 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.16–0.98 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_4\text{-H}_b$ ), 1.16–0.98 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_6\text{-H}_b$ ), 0.98–0.82 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_b$ ), 0.78–0.65 (m, 1H,  $\text{C}_{20}\text{-H}_b$ ), 0.57 (t,  $J = 7.5$ , 3H,  $\text{C}_{21}\text{-H}_3$ ), 0.53 (t,  $J = 7.3$ , 3H,  $\text{C}_{21}\text{-H}_3$ ).

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20  $^\circ\text{C}$ ):

$\delta$  151.4 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ ), 149.1 ( $\text{C}_{18}$ ), 135.9 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 135.8 ( $\text{C}_{13}$ ), 133.4 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 127.8 ( $\text{C}_{16}$ ), 127.7 ( $\text{C}_{16}$ ), 123.4 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ), 123.3 ( $\text{C}_{14}$ ), 116.5 ( $\text{C}_{15}$ ), 105.4 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ ), 105.1 ( $\text{C}_{17}$ ), 74.5 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ), 74.1 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 72.0 ( $\text{C}_2$ ), 71.6 ( $\text{C}_{19}$ ), 57.1 ( $\text{C}_{12}$ ), 54.1 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 53.5 ( $\text{C}_8$ ), 53.3 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ), 52.7 ( $\text{C}_{10}$ ), 51.9 ( $\text{C}_{12}$ ), 39.5 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 37.3 ( $\text{C}_{11}$ ), 35.6 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 35.3 ( $\text{C}_5$ ), 34.6 ( $\text{C}_6$ ), 31.8 ( $\text{C}_{20}$ ).

31.8 (C<sub>5</sub>), 31.7 (C<sub>22</sub>), 30.3 (C<sub>20</sub>), 29.3 (C<sub>22</sub>), 28.8 (C<sub>3</sub>),  
26.4 (C<sub>4</sub>), 23.2 (C<sub>4</sub>), 22.4 (C<sub>3</sub>), 22.3 (C<sub>7</sub>), 22.0 (C<sub>7</sub>), 7.6  
(C<sub>21</sub>), 6.8 (C<sub>21</sub>).

FTIR (neat) cm<sup>-1</sup>: 2929 (s), 1604 (s), 1490 (s), 1375 (m), 1262 (m), 1181  
(m), 1122 (m), 801 (m), 737 (m), 666 (m).

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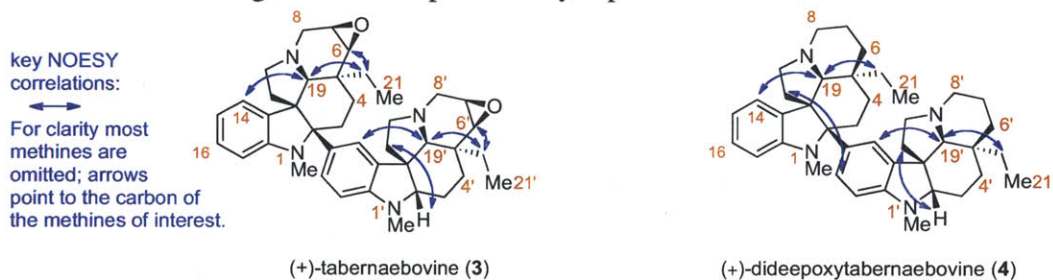
[α]<sub>D</sub><sup>24</sup>: +144, (c = 0.10, CHCl<sub>3</sub>).

TLC (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, 10% EtOAc in hexanes), R<sub>f</sub>: 0.48 (UV, CAM, KMnO<sub>4</sub>).



**Table S7. Comparison of our <sup>1</sup>H NMR data for (+)-didepoxytabernaevine (4) with literature data for (+)-tabernaevine (3):<sup>28</sup>**

Blue arrows in the figure below represent key reported NOESY correlations:

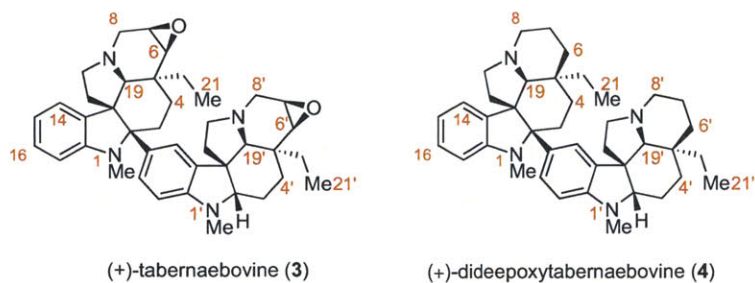


Assignment	Ripperger's Report <sup>22</sup> (+)-Tabernaevine (3) <sup>1</sup> H NMR, 500 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub>	This Work (+)-Didepoxytabernaevine (4) <sup>1</sup> H NMR, 500 MHz, CDCl <sub>3</sub> , 53 °C
C2	-	-
C3	2.83 (dd, <i>J</i> = 3.7, 13.4, 1H) 1.83 (m, 1H)	2.60–2.51 (m, 1H) 1.82–1.64 (m, 1H)
C4	2.08 (m, 1H) 1.43 (m, 1H)	2.17–2.06 (m, 1H) 1.63–1.28 (m, 1H)
C5	-	-
C6	2.98 (d, <i>J</i> = 3.9, 1H)	1.63–1.28 (m, 1H) 1.16–0.98 (m, 1H)
C7	3.30 (m, 1H)	1.82–1.64 (m, 1H) 1.63–1.28 (m, 1H)
C8	3.49 (dd, <i>J</i> = 13.0, 1.5, 1H) 2.27 (d, <i>J</i> = 12.8, 1H)	2.86 (app-d, <i>J</i> = 9.5, 1H) 1.98–1.82 (m, 1H)
C10	2.78 (dt, <i>J</i> = 3.4, 8.5, 1H) 2.07 (m, 1H)	2.32–2.20 (m, 1H) 1.98–1.82 (m, 1H)
C11	1.59 (m, 1H) 1.50 (m, 1H)	1.98–1.82 (m, 1H) 1.63–1.28 (m, 1H)
C12	-	-
C13	-	-
C14	6.90 (d, <i>J</i> = 6.7, 1H)	6.94 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.1, 1H)
C15	6.54 (dt, <i>J</i> = 0.7, 7.3, 1H)	6.57 (app-t, <i>J</i> = 7.4, 1H)
C16	7.09 (dt, <i>J</i> = 1.2, 7.6, 1H)	7.08 (app-t, <i>J</i> = 7.5, 1H)
C17	6.27 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.9, 1H)	6.30 (d, <i>J</i> = 7.6, 1H)
C18	-	-
C19	2.04 (s, 1H)	2.17 (s, 1H)
C20	1.07 (m, 2H)	1.28–1.17 (m, 1H) 0.98–0.82 (m, 1H)
C21	0.68 (t, <i>J</i> = 7.4, 3H) 2.46 (s, 3H)	0.57 (t, <i>J</i> = 7.5, 3H) 2.50 (s, 3H)
C2'	3.34 (br-d, <i>J</i> = 5.2, 1H)	3.37 (dd, <i>J</i> = 6.0, 10.6, 1H)
C3'	1.74 (m, 1H) 1.10 (m, 1H)	1.82–1.64 (m, 1H) 1.28–1.17 (m, 1H)
C4'	1.76 (m, 1H) 1.37 (m, 1H)	1.98–1.82 (m, 1H) 1.16–0.98 (m, 1H)
C5'	-	-
C6'	2.88 (br-s, 1H)	1.63–1.28 (m, 1H) 1.16–0.98 (m, 1H)
C7'	3.30 (m, 1H)	1.82–1.64 (m, 1H) 1.63–1.28 (m, 1H)
C8'	3.53 (br-d, <i>J</i> = 12.8, 1H) <i>ca.</i> 2.30 (m, 1H)	2.99 (app-d, <i>J</i> = 10.8, 1H) 1.98–1.82 (m, 1H)

<sup>28</sup> The lack of epoxides in (+)-didepoxytabernaevine (4) results in local variation compared to (+)-tabernaevine (3).

C10'	3.15 (t, $J = 7.6$ , 1H) 2.07 (m, 1H)	3.07 (app-dt, $J = 2.9, 8.9$ , 1H) 2.17–2.06 (m, 1H)
C11'	2.23 (m, 1H) 1.50 (m, 1H)	2.32–2.20 (m, 1H) 1.63–1.28 (m, 1H)
C12'	-	-
C13'	-	-
C14'	not observed	7.16 (br-s, 1H)
C15'	-	-
C16'	6.93 (br, 1H)	7.19 (br-d, $J = 8.2$ , 1H)
C17'	6.24 (br-d, $J = 7.0$ , 1H)	6.24 (d, $J = 8.2$ , 1H)
C18'	-	-
C19'	2.05	2.03 (s, 1H)
C20'	1.11 (m, 2H)	1.63–1.28 (m, 1H) 0.78–0.65 (m, 1H)
C21'	0.68 (t, $J = 7.4$ , 3H)	0.53 (t, $J = 7.3$ , 3H)
C22'	2.70 (s, 3H)	2.73 (s, 3H)

**Table S8. Comparison of our  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR data for (+)-didepoxytabernaevine (4) with literature data for (+)-tabernaevine (3):<sup>29</sup>**



Assignment	Ripperger's Report <sup>22</sup> (+)-Tabernaevine (3) $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR, 125 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$	This Work (+)-Didepoxytabernaevine (4) $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR, 125 MHz, $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 20 °C		Chemical Shift Difference $\Delta\delta =$ $\delta$ (this work) $- \delta$ (Ref. 22)
	Chemical Shift	Chemical Shift	Key gHMBC Correlations	
C2	74.8	74.1	C4, C11, C22, C19, C14', C16'	-0.7
C3	26.0	28.8	-	2.8
C4	28.4	26.4	C6, C19, C20	-2.0
C5	32.8	31.8	C3, C7, C19, C21	-1.0
C6	60.2	35.6	C4, C8, C19, C20	-24.6 <sup>30</sup>
C7	53.12	22.3	-	-30.82 <sup>30</sup>
C8	52.2	53.5	C6, C10, C19	1.3
C10	53.6	52.7	C8, C19	-0.9
C11	36.2	37.3	C19	1.1
C12	56.8	57.1	C3, C10, C14	0.3
C13	135.1	135.9	C11, C15, C17, C19	0.8
C14	123.0	123.4	C16	0.4
C15	115.6	116.5	C17	0.9
C16	128.1	127.8	C14	-0.3
C17	102.7	105.1	C15	2.4
C18	152.4	151.4	C14, C16, C22	-1.0
C19	72.8	74.5	C4, C6, C8, C10, C11, C20	1.7
C20	32.9	31.8	C4, C6, C19, C21	-1.1
C21	8.1	7.6	-	-0.5
C22	29.0	29.3	-	0.3
C2'	73.3	72.0	C4', C11', C19', C22'	-1.3
C3'	20.1	22.4	-	2.3
C4'	24.3	23.2	C2', C6', C19', C20'	-1.1
C5'	34.5	35.3	C3', C7', C19', C21'	0.8
C6'	57.6	34.6	C4', C8', C19', C20'	-23.0 <sup>31</sup>
C7'	53.1	22.0	-	-31.1 <sup>31</sup>
C8'	53.06	54.1	C6', C10', C19'	1.04
C10'	53.6	53.3	C8', C19'	-0.3
C11'	41.1	39.5	C2', C19'	-0.6
C12'	51.2	51.9	C3', C10', C14', C19'	0.7
C13'	136.4	135.8	C11', C17', C19'	-0.6
C14'	120.7	123.3	C16'	2.6
C15'	132.2	133.4	C3, C17'	1.2
C16'	126.9	127.7	C14'	0.8
C17'	105.9	105.4	-	-0.5

<sup>29</sup> The lack of epoxides in (+)-didepoxytabernaevine (4) results in local variation compared to (+)-tabernaevine (3).

C18'	148.8	149.1	C14', C16', C22'	0.3
C19'	66.7	71.6	C2', C4', C6', C8', C10', C11', C20'	4.9
C20'	27.9	30.3	C4', C6', C19', C21'	2.4
C21'	7.5	6.8	-	-0.7
C22'	31.5	31.7	C2'	0.2

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<sup>30</sup> Difference in chemical shift is due to absence and presence of C6–C7 epoxide in (+)-didepoxytabernaebovine (**4**) and (+)-tabernaebovine (**3**), respectively.

<sup>31</sup> Difference in chemical shift is due to absence and presence of C6'–C7' epoxide in (+)-didepoxytabernaebovine (**4**) and (+)-tabernaebovine (**3**), respectively.



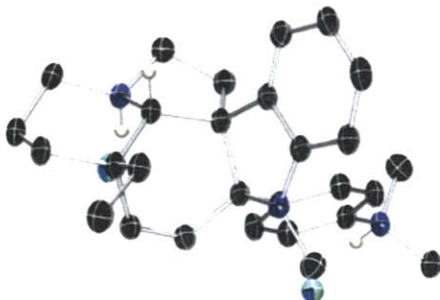
**Crystal structure of diammonium dichloride ( $\pm$ )-63•2HCl.**

Structural parameters for diammonium dichloride ( $\pm$ )-63•2HCl are freely available from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Center under CCDC 862060.

**View 1:**



**View 2:**



**Table S9.** Crystal data and structure refinement for ( $\pm$ )-**63**•2HCl.

Identification code	x8_11133	
Empirical formula	C28 H38.66 Cl2 N3 O1.33	
Formula weight	509.50	
Temperature	100(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P2(1)/n	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 12.4338(15) Å	$\alpha = 90^\circ$ .
	b = 12.6833(16) Å	$\beta = 105.660(2)^\circ$ .
	c = 17.824(2) Å	$\gamma = 90^\circ$ .
Volume	2706.6(6) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.250 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	0.267 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	1089	
Crystal size	0.30 x 0.09 x 0.02 mm <sup>3</sup>	
Theta range for data collection	1.79 to 28.91°.	
Index ranges	-16<=h<=16, -17<=k<=17, -24<=l<=24	
Reflections collected	57036	
Independent reflections	7129 [R(int) = 0.0547]	
Completeness to theta = 28.91°	100.0 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	0.9947 and 0.9243	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	
Data / restraints / parameters	7129 / 29 / 356	
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.017	
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0413, wR2 = 0.0954	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0706, wR2 = 0.1113	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.530 and -0.242 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>	

**Table S10.** Atomic coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for ( $\pm$ )-**63**•2HCl. U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized  $U^{ij}$  tensor.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
Cl(1)	-1713(1)	8982(1)	-1123(1)	29(1)
Cl(2)	-1102(1)	7643(1)	-4549(1)	30(1)
N(1)	3463(1)	9333(1)	-3315(1)	23(1)
C(2)	2326(1)	8847(2)	-3539(1)	22(1)
C(3)	1564(1)	9560(2)	-4134(1)	24(1)
C(4)	1454(1)	9523(2)	-4896(1)	23(1)
C(5)	2043(1)	8717(2)	-5265(1)	23(1)
C(6)	1396(1)	8504(2)	-6125(1)	25(1)
C(7)	318(1)	7880(2)	-6225(1)	27(1)
C(8)	553(1)	6844(2)	-5791(1)	26(1)
N(9)	1053(1)	7108(1)	-4951(1)	23(1)
C(10)	1318(2)	6207(2)	-4396(1)	27(1)
C(11)	1920(2)	6774(2)	-3645(1)	26(1)
C(12)	2550(1)	7728(1)	-3886(1)	22(1)
C(13)	3812(1)	7622(2)	-3586(1)	23(1)
C(14)	4484(2)	6756(2)	-3593(1)	28(1)
C(15)	5641(2)	6844(2)	-3281(1)	31(1)
C(16)	6097(2)	7794(2)	-2965(1)	30(1)
C(17)	5431(1)	8674(2)	-2934(1)	27(1)
C(18)	4278(1)	8572(2)	-3255(1)	23(1)
C(19)	2155(1)	7688(1)	-4798(1)	22(1)
C(20)	3235(1)	9104(2)	-5248(1)	26(1)
C(21)	3260(2)	10052(2)	-5772(1)	33(1)
C(22)	3675(2)	10317(2)	-2890(1)	31(1)
C(23)	1891(1)	8722(2)	-2813(1)	23(1)
C(24)	2624(1)	8446(2)	-2099(1)	25(1)
C(25)	2253(1)	8296(2)	-1437(1)	26(1)
C(26)	1124(1)	8430(2)	-1497(1)	24(1)
C(27)	376(1)	8705(2)	-2194(1)	28(1)
C(28)	759(1)	8845(2)	-2855(1)	28(1)
N(29)	708(1)	8276(1)	-803(1)	25(1)
C(30)	843(2)	7166(2)	-513(1)	34(1)
C(31)	1230(2)	9023(2)	-157(1)	30(1)
O(1S)	-1326(5)	5786(5)	-3361(3)	72(2)
O(1T)	-1036(8)	5537(9)	-3607(8)	63(3)
O(2T)	-1118(4)	6723(4)	-1925(2)	35(1)

**Table S11.** Bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for (±)-**63**•2HCl.

N(1)-C(18)	1.383(2)	C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	111.43(14)
N(1)-C(22)	1.447(2)	C(19)-C(5)-C(6)	109.62(15)
N(1)-C(2)	1.494(2)	C(4)-C(5)-C(20)	110.45(15)
C(2)-C(3)	1.517(2)	C(19)-C(5)-C(20)	108.16(14)
C(2)-C(23)	1.539(2)	C(6)-C(5)-C(20)	108.24(12)
C(2)-C(12)	1.602(2)	C(7)-C(6)-C(5)	114.33(13)
C(3)-C(4)	1.327(2)	C(8)-C(7)-C(6)	110.41(14)
C(4)-C(5)	1.510(2)	N(9)-C(8)-C(7)	106.72(15)
C(5)-C(19)	1.533(2)	C(10)-N(9)-C(8)	116.73(15)
C(5)-C(6)	1.549(2)	C(10)-N(9)-C(19)	103.14(13)
C(5)-C(20)	1.554(2)	C(8)-N(9)-C(19)	113.58(13)
C(6)-C(7)	1.525(2)	N(9)-C(10)-C(11)	100.84(14)
C(7)-C(8)	1.513(3)	C(10)-C(11)-C(12)	106.73(13)
C(8)-N(9)	1.497(2)	C(13)-C(12)-C(11)	112.40(14)
N(9)-C(10)	1.489(2)	C(13)-C(12)-C(19)	111.49(12)
N(9)-C(19)	1.514(2)	C(11)-C(12)-C(19)	102.70(13)
C(10)-C(11)	1.526(2)	C(13)-C(12)-C(2)	102.28(13)
C(11)-C(12)	1.564(2)	C(11)-C(12)-C(2)	115.30(13)
C(12)-C(13)	1.521(2)	C(19)-C(12)-C(2)	113.03(14)
C(12)-C(19)	1.567(2)	C(14)-C(13)-C(18)	120.44(16)
C(13)-C(14)	1.382(3)	C(14)-C(13)-C(12)	129.47(17)
C(13)-C(18)	1.396(3)	C(18)-C(13)-C(12)	110.07(15)
C(14)-C(15)	1.400(3)	C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	119.44(18)
C(15)-C(16)	1.384(3)	C(16)-C(15)-C(14)	119.71(18)
C(16)-C(17)	1.400(3)	C(15)-C(16)-C(17)	121.84(17)
C(17)-C(18)	1.399(2)	C(18)-C(17)-C(16)	117.56(18)
C(20)-C(21)	1.528(3)	N(1)-C(18)-C(13)	110.92(15)
C(23)-C(24)	1.395(2)	N(1)-C(18)-C(17)	128.08(17)
C(23)-C(28)	1.397(2)	C(13)-C(18)-C(17)	120.98(17)
C(24)-C(25)	1.392(2)	N(9)-C(19)-C(5)	111.76(13)
C(25)-C(26)	1.388(2)	N(9)-C(19)-C(12)	102.52(12)
C(26)-C(27)	1.380(2)	C(5)-C(19)-C(12)	119.53(14)
C(26)-N(29)	1.478(2)	C(21)-C(20)-C(5)	114.44(15)
C(27)-C(28)	1.397(2)	C(24)-C(23)-C(28)	118.46(15)
N(29)-C(30)	1.493(3)	C(24)-C(23)-C(2)	120.07(15)
N(29)-C(31)	1.496(2)	C(28)-C(23)-C(2)	121.44(14)
		C(25)-C(24)-C(23)	121.59(16)
C(18)-N(1)-C(22)	122.32(15)	C(26)-C(25)-C(24)	118.45(15)
C(18)-N(1)-C(2)	110.73(14)	C(27)-C(26)-C(25)	121.55(15)
C(22)-N(1)-C(2)	121.41(14)	C(27)-C(26)-N(29)	118.90(15)
N(1)-C(2)-C(3)	107.90(14)	C(25)-C(26)-N(29)	119.55(15)
N(1)-C(2)-C(23)	109.91(13)	C(26)-C(27)-C(28)	119.29(16)
C(3)-C(2)-C(23)	110.77(13)	C(27)-C(28)-C(23)	120.65(16)
N(1)-C(2)-C(12)	102.59(12)	C(26)-N(29)-C(30)	112.52(14)
C(3)-C(2)-C(12)	113.51(13)	C(26)-N(29)-C(31)	112.56(14)
C(23)-C(2)-C(12)	111.76(14)	C(30)-N(29)-C(31)	110.23(14)
C(4)-C(3)-C(2)	124.57(16)		
C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	122.78(16)		
C(4)-C(5)-C(19)	108.87(13)		

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms.



**Table S12.** Anisotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for ( $\pm$ )-**63**•2HCl. The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form:  $-2\pi^2 [ h^2 a^{*2} U^{11} + \dots + 2 h k a^* b^* U^{12} ]$

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{23}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{12}$
Cl(1)	21(1)	39(1)	28(1)	1(1)	10(1)	1(1)
Cl(2)	21(1)	47(1)	24(1)	-2(1)	8(1)	-3(1)
N(1)	21(1)	31(1)	19(1)	-2(1)	7(1)	1(1)
C(2)	20(1)	33(1)	14(1)	-1(1)	6(1)	2(1)
C(3)	22(1)	33(1)	19(1)	0(1)	8(1)	4(1)
C(4)	19(1)	32(1)	18(1)	2(1)	5(1)	2(1)
C(5)	19(1)	35(1)	15(1)	0(1)	7(1)	0(1)
C(6)	21(1)	40(1)	15(1)	0(1)	5(1)	0(1)
C(7)	19(1)	42(1)	18(1)	-2(1)	4(1)	-1(1)
C(8)	21(1)	38(1)	20(1)	-7(1)	5(1)	-3(1)
N(9)	20(1)	31(1)	19(1)	-1(1)	7(1)	-1(1)
C(10)	25(1)	31(1)	25(1)	0(1)	7(1)	-1(1)
C(11)	26(1)	32(1)	20(1)	2(1)	8(1)	-1(1)
C(12)	20(1)	31(1)	16(1)	0(1)	7(1)	0(1)
C(13)	19(1)	36(1)	14(1)	1(1)	6(1)	3(1)
C(14)	27(1)	38(1)	19(1)	-3(1)	5(1)	6(1)
C(15)	26(1)	49(1)	18(1)	0(1)	7(1)	13(1)
C(16)	19(1)	55(1)	18(1)	3(1)	8(1)	4(1)
C(17)	22(1)	42(1)	17(1)	2(1)	7(1)	-3(1)
C(18)	23(1)	34(1)	13(1)	2(1)	9(1)	1(1)
C(19)	16(1)	32(1)	17(1)	-1(1)	5(1)	-1(1)
C(20)	21(1)	39(1)	19(1)	-2(1)	7(1)	-4(1)
C(21)	31(1)	45(1)	25(1)	1(1)	10(1)	-8(1)
C(22)	32(1)	34(1)	28(1)	-4(1)	9(1)	0(1)
C(23)	22(1)	33(1)	15(1)	-1(1)	7(1)	2(1)
C(24)	19(1)	40(1)	19(1)	1(1)	8(1)	3(1)
C(25)	21(1)	41(1)	16(1)	2(1)	4(1)	3(1)
C(26)	22(1)	36(1)	16(1)	-1(1)	9(1)	0(1)
C(27)	19(1)	46(1)	21(1)	-1(1)	8(1)	4(1)
C(28)	21(1)	45(1)	16(1)	2(1)	5(1)	7(1)
N(29)	20(1)	38(1)	17(1)	1(1)	8(1)	1(1)
C(30)	32(1)	39(1)	35(1)	7(1)	16(1)	0(1)
C(31)	30(1)	43(1)	18(1)	-1(1)	10(1)	-2(1)
O(1S)	58(3)	64(3)	72(3)	27(2)	-19(2)	-18(2)
O(1T)	25(3)	47(5)	105(8)	29(5)	-1(4)	-7(3)
O(2T)	31(2)	45(3)	27(2)	3(2)	6(2)	3(2)

**Table S13.** Hydrogen coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^{-3}$ ) for  $(\pm)\text{-63}\cdot 2\text{HCl}$ .

	x	y	z	U(eq)
H(3)	1137	10069	-3949	29
H(4)	983	10026	-5222	27
H(6A)	1214	9189	-6396	30
H(6B)	1889	8114	-6380	30
H(7A)	-217	8297	-6024	32
H(7B)	-25	7743	-6786	32
H(8A)	-147	6439	-5856	32
H(8B)	1080	6414	-5992	32
H(9N)	536(15)	7531(15)	-4792(11)	28
H(10A)	1809	5685	-4553	32
H(10B)	631	5850	-4347	32
H(11A)	2455	6293	-3296	31
H(11B)	1376	7024	-3369	31
H(14)	4163	6106	-3807	34
H(15)	6111	6256	-3287	37
H(16)	6885	7849	-2763	36
H(17)	5750	9316	-2704	32
H(19)	2687	7223	-4977	26
H(20A)	3634	9293	-4705	31
H(20B)	3646	8515	-5408	31
H(21A)	2989	9839	-6319	50
H(21B)	4028	10313	-5670	50
H(21C)	2781	10611	-5662	50
H(22A)	3791	10179	-2333	47
H(22B)	3033	10788	-3075	47
H(22C)	4344	10649	-2974	47
H(24)	3394	8360	-2064	31
H(25)	2760	8105	-954	31
H(27)	-393	8799	-2223	34
H(28)	246	9025	-3337	33
H(29N)	-42(13)	8455(16)	-941(12)	30
H(30A)	1636	6976	-368	51
H(30B)	429	6692	-924	51
H(30C)	550	7102	-56	51
H(31A)	2032	8879	30	44
H(31B)	884	8929	272	44
H(31C)	1114	9749	-349	44
H(1SA)	-1270(60)	6270(40)	-3660(30)	108
H(1SB)	-1900(40)	5400(40)	-3510(40)	108
H(1TA)	-1110(90)	6130(50)	-3820(70)	94
H(1TB)	-1620(60)	5180(70)	-3690(70)	94
H(2TA)	-1400(70)	7330(30)	-1900(40)	70(30)
H(2TB)	-1300(40)	6470(40)	-2386(17)	18(14)

## **Appendix A**

### **Spectra for Chapter I**

STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

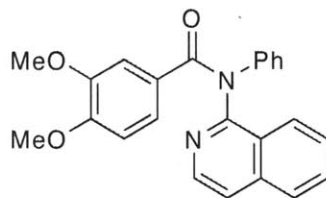
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

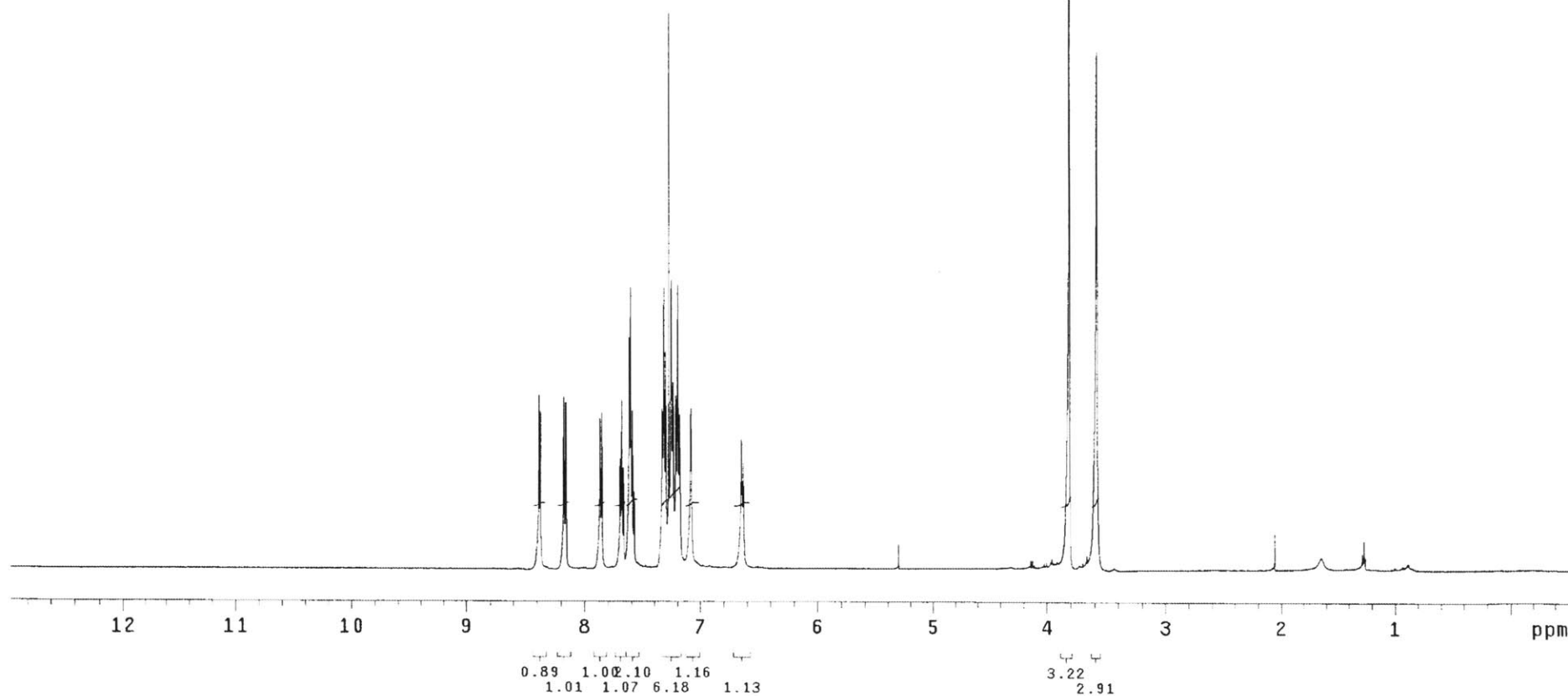
Ambient temperature

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
Pulse 73.1 degrees  
Acq. time 4.999 sec  
Width 12012.0 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.4294973 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144  
Total time 1 min, 21 sec



3aa



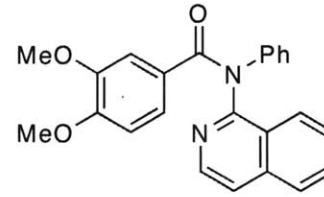


STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

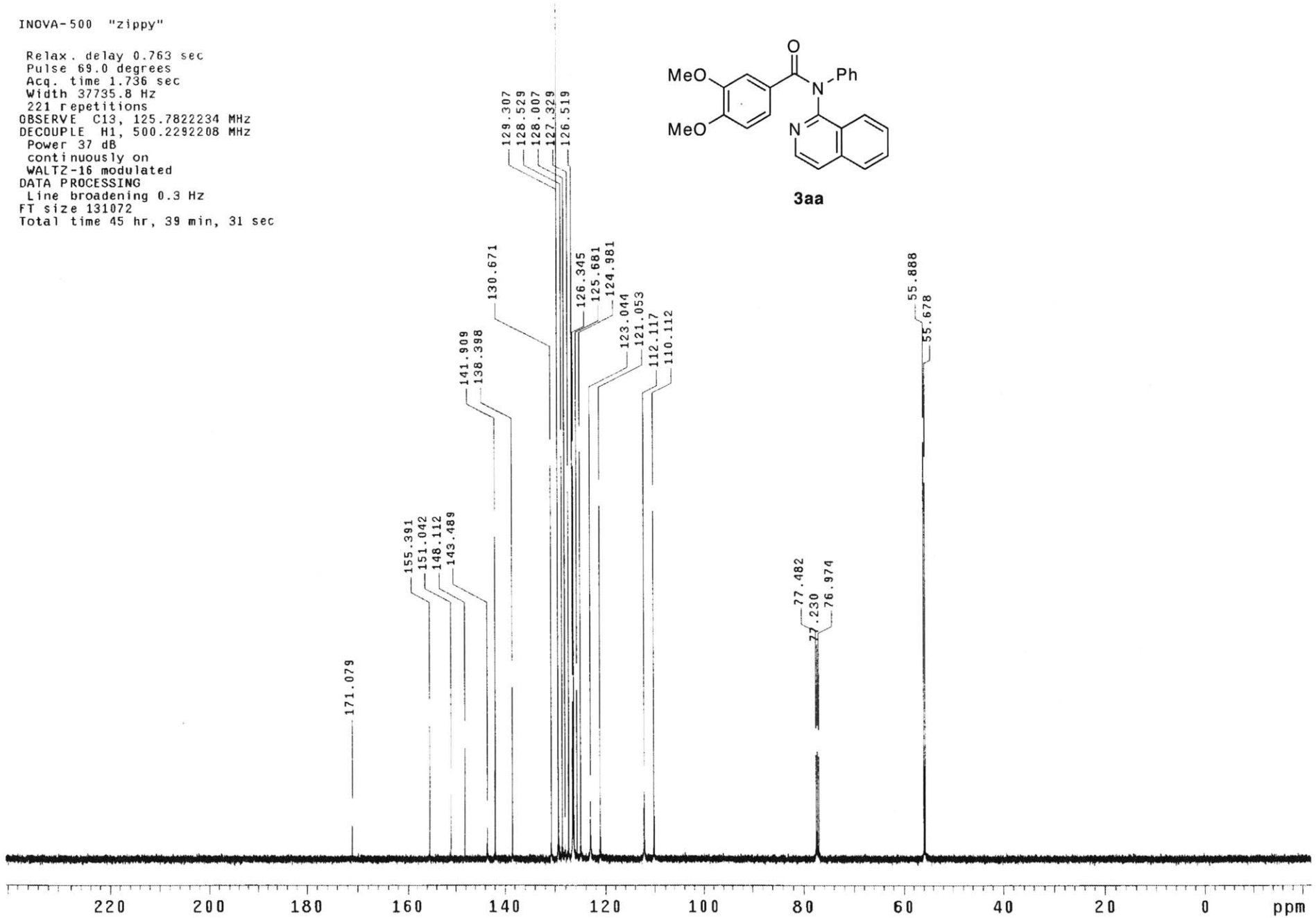
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1  
Solvent: CDCl3  
Ambient temperature

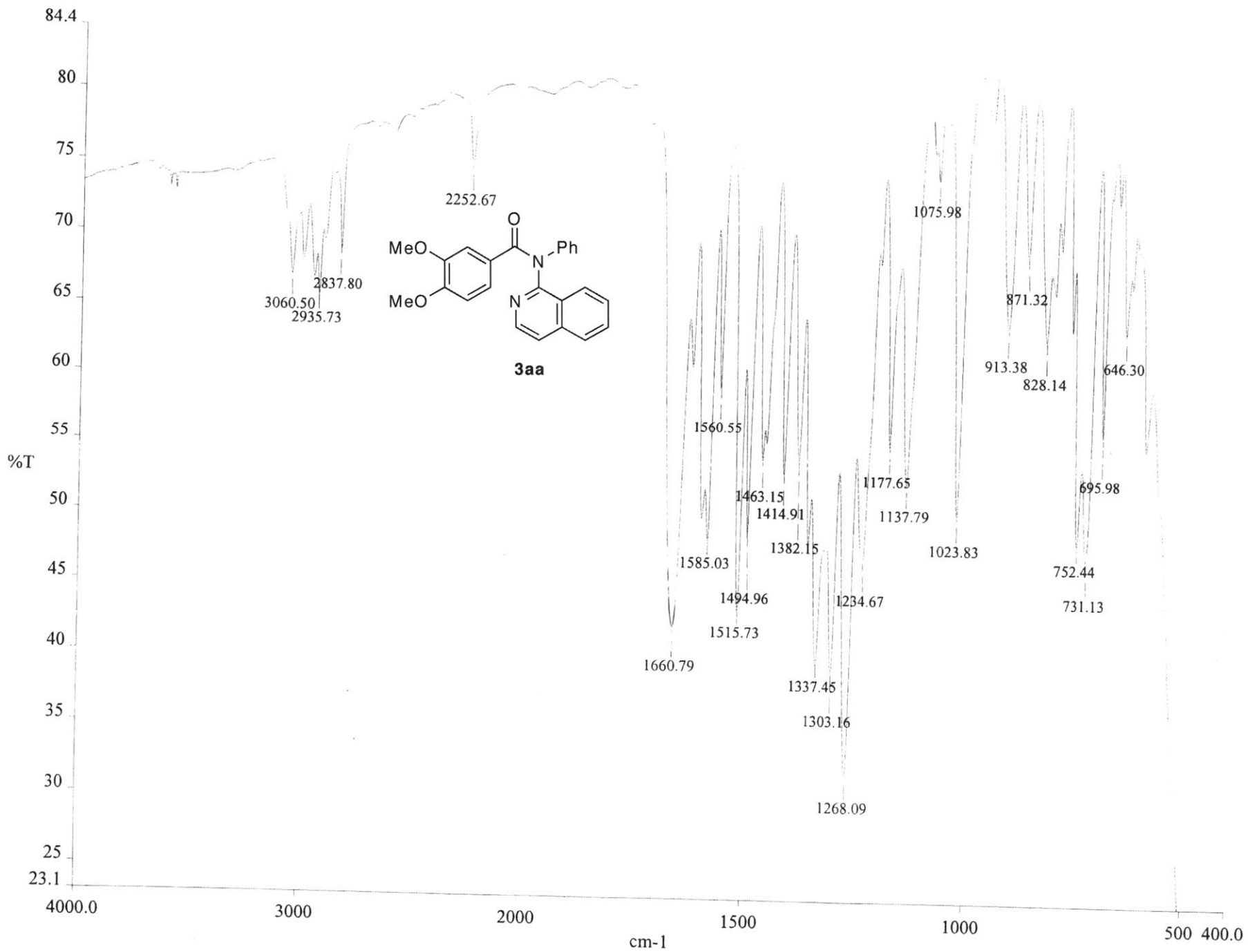
INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.0 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
221 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822234 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072  
Total time 45 hr, 39 min, 31 sec



3aa





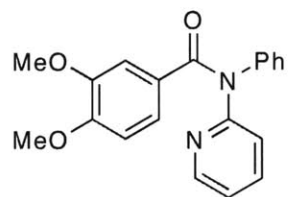
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

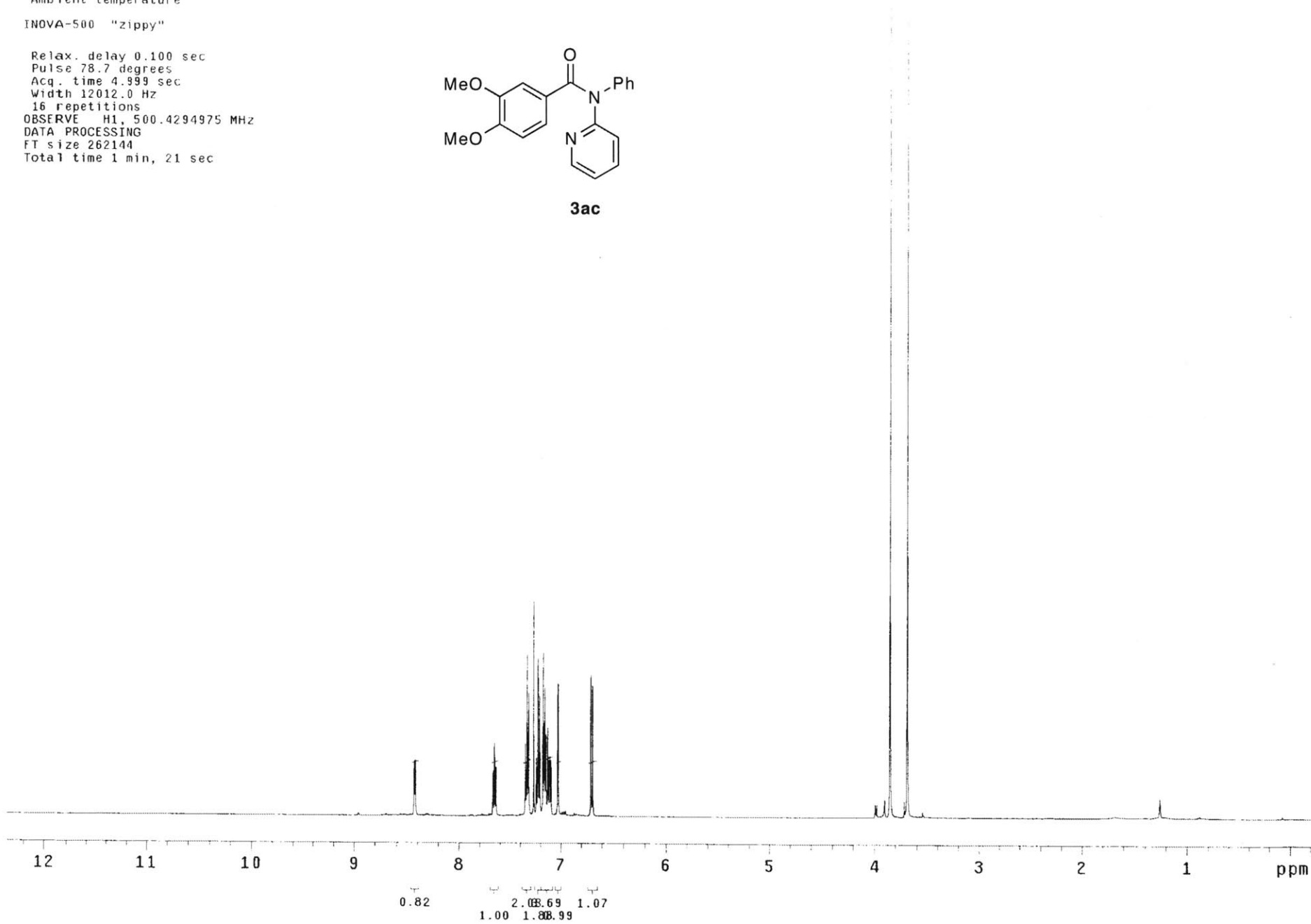
Solvent: CDCl3  
Ambient temperature

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
Pulse 78.7 degrees  
Acq. time 4.999 sec  
Width 12012.0 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.4294975 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144  
Total time 1 min, 21 sec



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13C OBSERVE

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.500 sec

Pulse 46.2 degrees

Acq. time 1.500 sec

Width 22624.4 Hz

512 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 75.4615184 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 300.1067546 MHz

Power 39 dB

continuously on

WALTZ-16 modulated

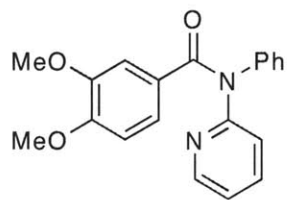
DATA PROCESSING

Sq. sine bell 1.500 sec

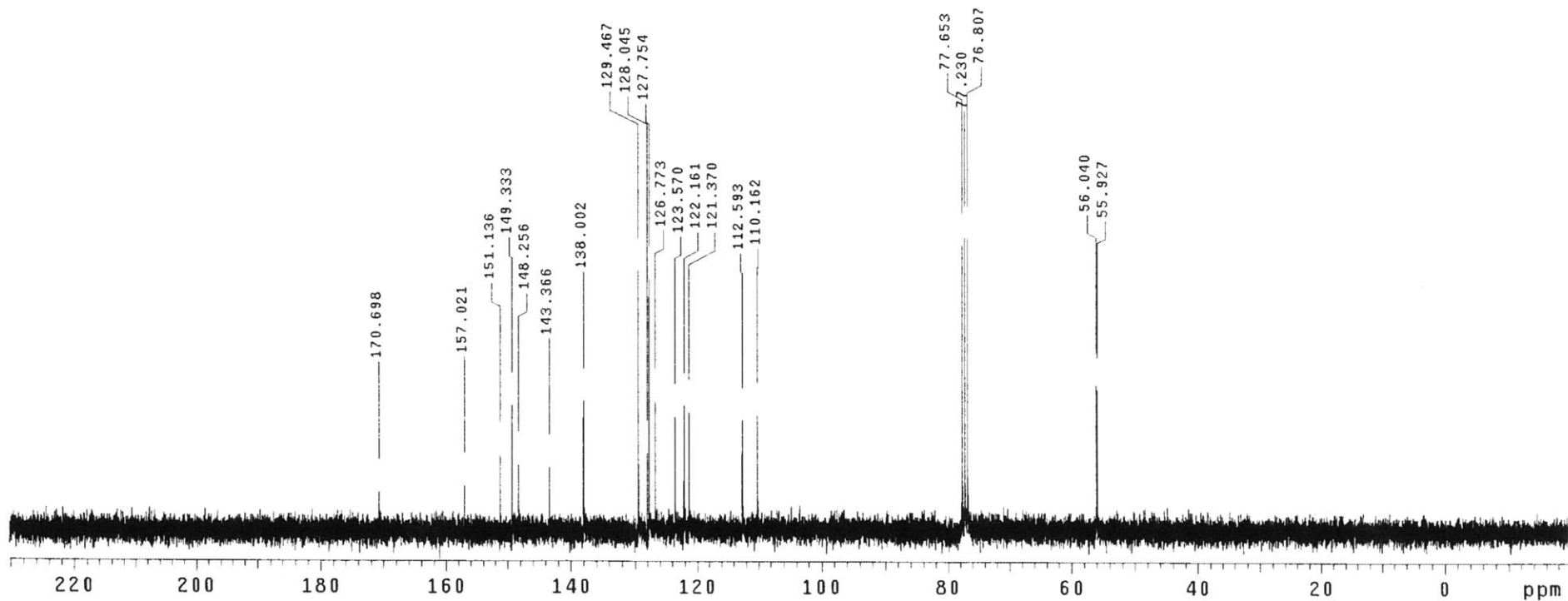
Shifted by -1.500 sec

FT size 262144

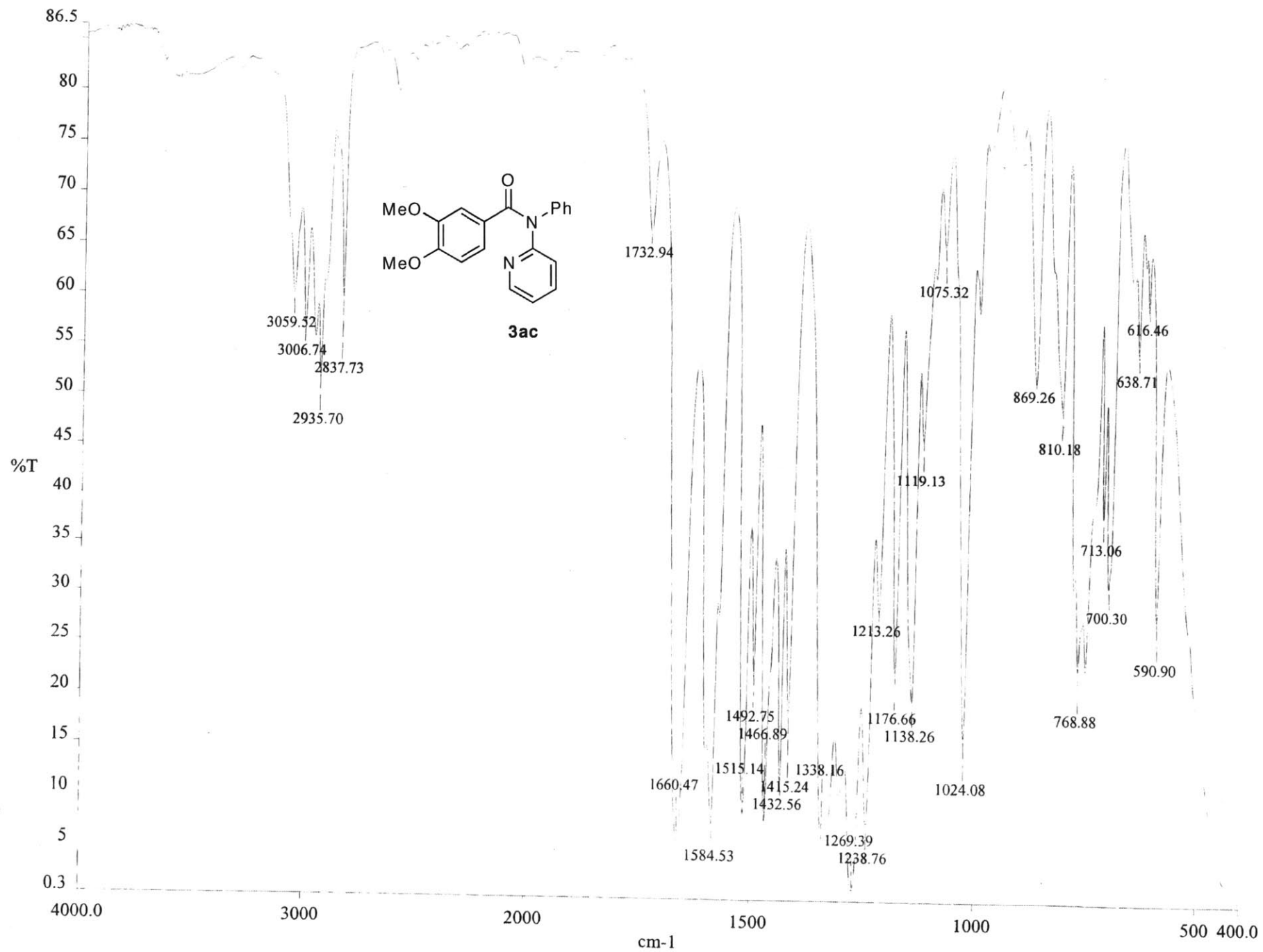
Total time 17 min, 8 sec



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STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: DMSO

Ambient temperature

INDVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.100 sec

Pulse 78.7 degrees

Acq. time 4.999 sec

Width 12012.0 Hz

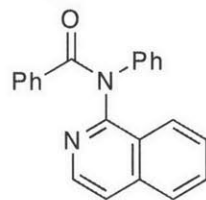
16 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 500.4318716 MHz

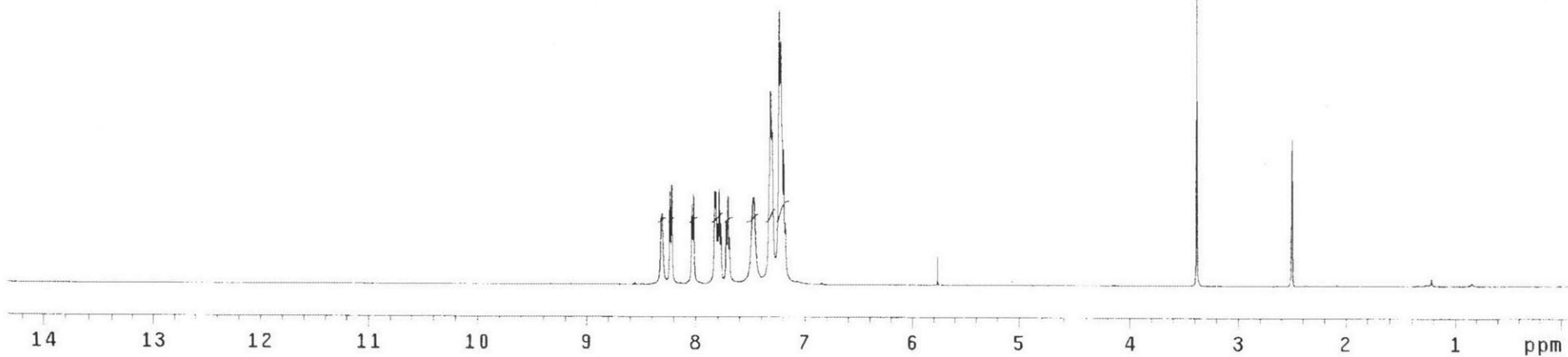
DATA PROCESSING

FT size 262144

Total time 1 min, 21 sec



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1.00 0.91 1.83 3.32  
1.10 2.21 1.95 3.33

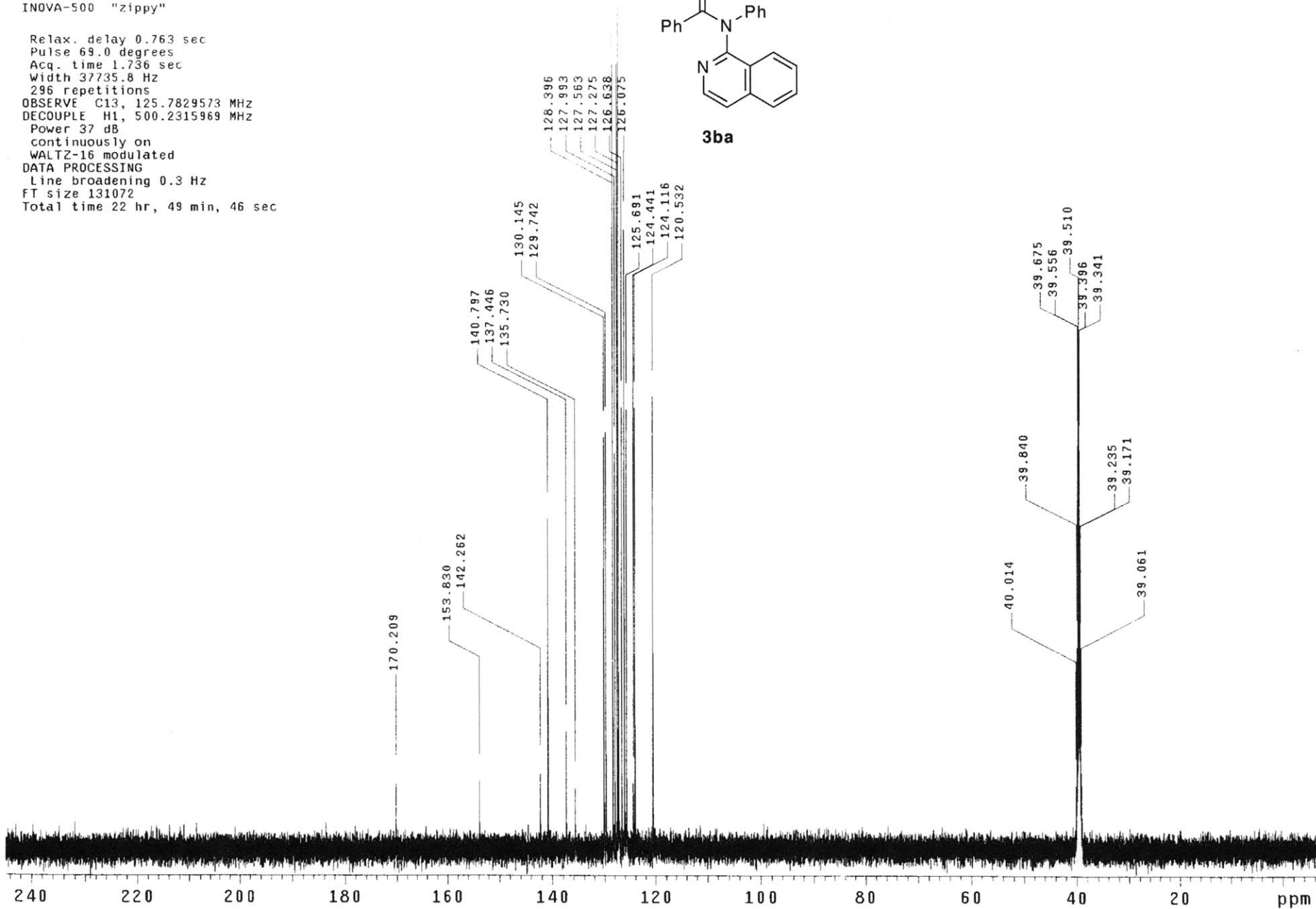
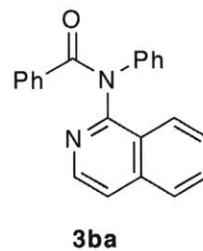
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

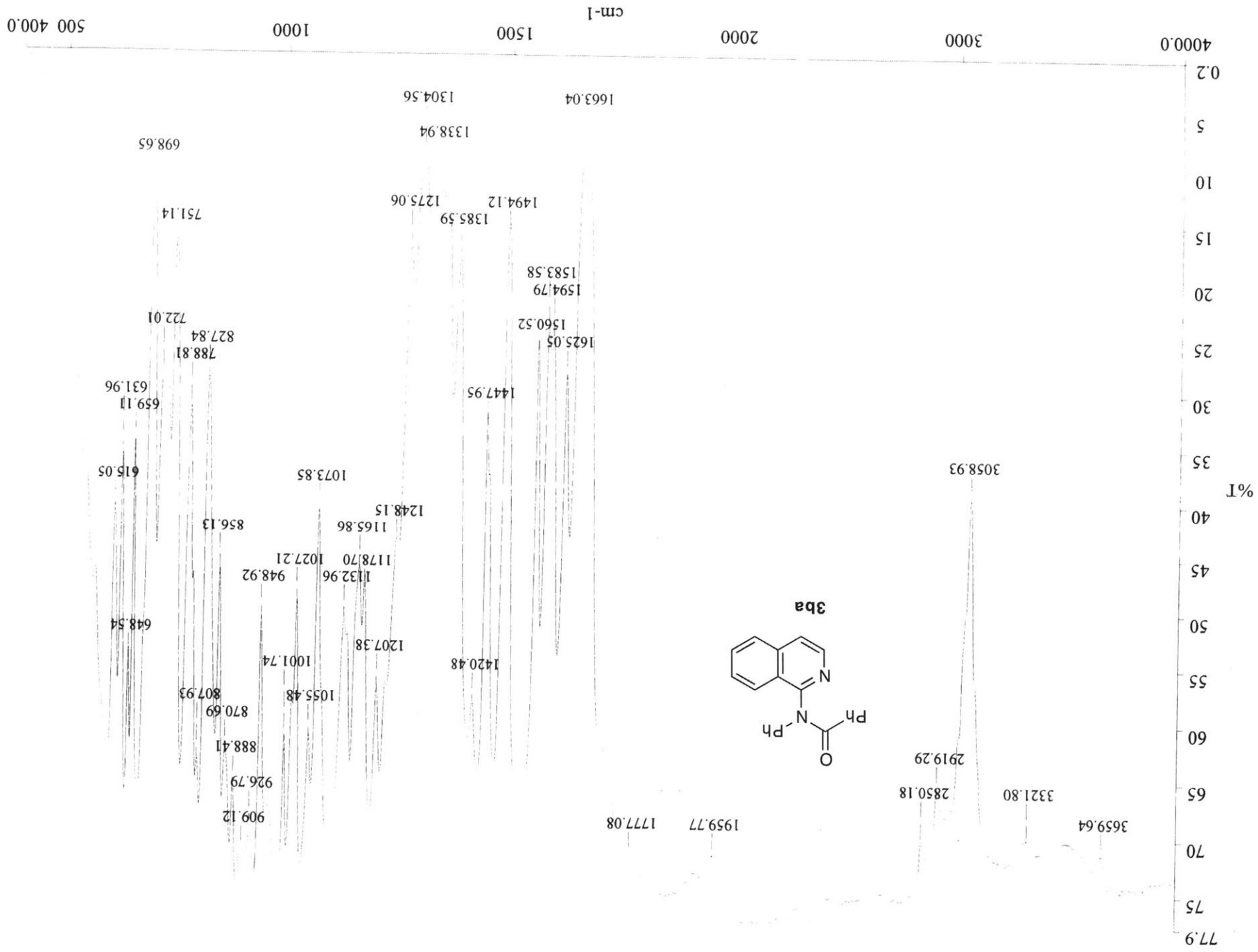
Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: DMSO  
Temp. 100.0 C / 373.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.0 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
296 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7829573 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2315969 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072  
Total time 22 hr, 49 min, 46 sec





STANDARD 1H OBSERVE

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3

Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.050 sec

Pulse 34.3 degrees

Acq. time 4.003 sec

Width 6002.4 Hz

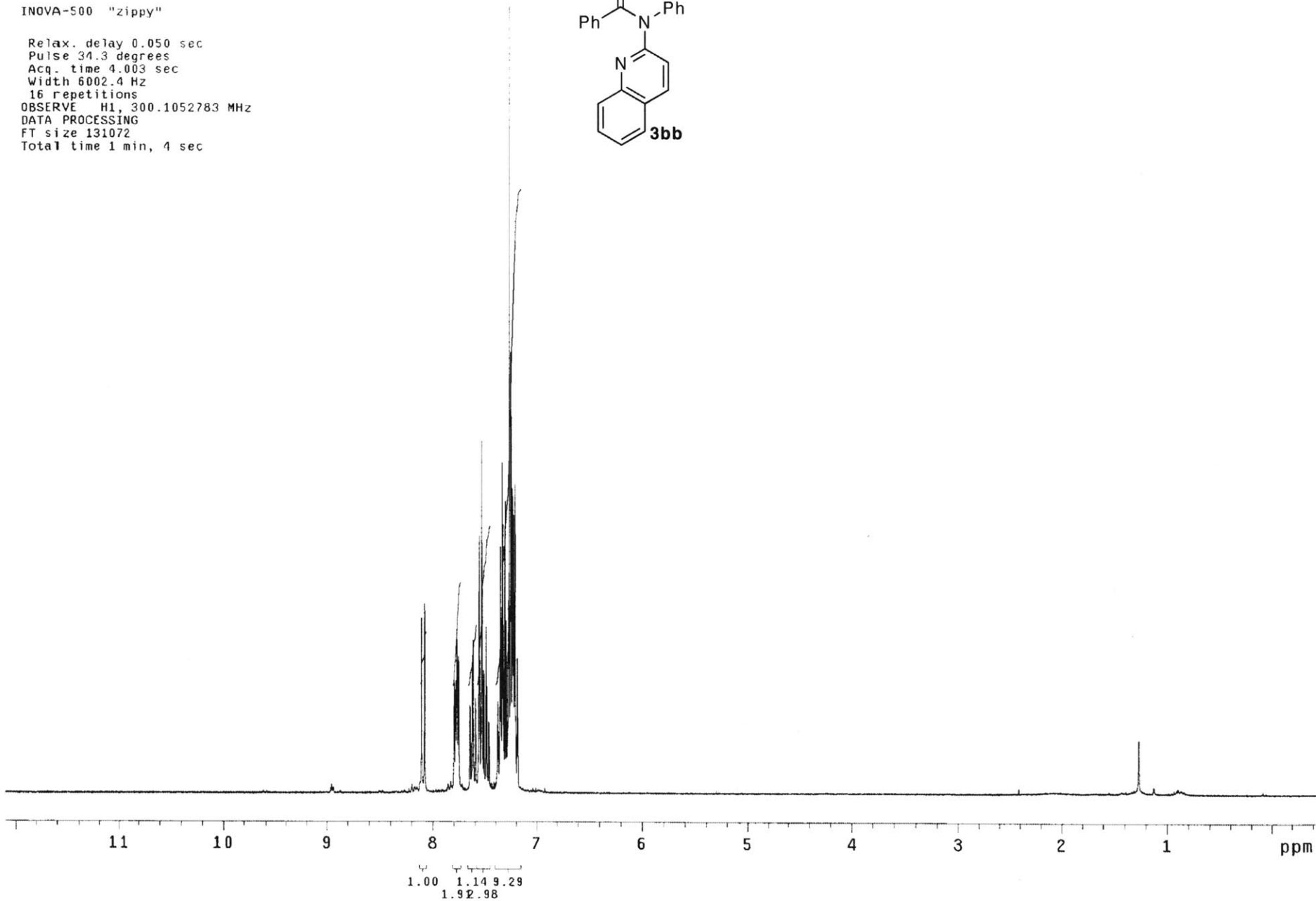
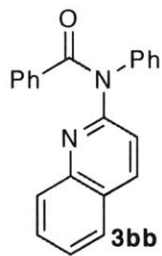
16 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 300.1052783 MHz

DATA PROCESSING

FT size 131072

Total time 1 min, 4 sec





<sup>13</sup>C OBSERVE

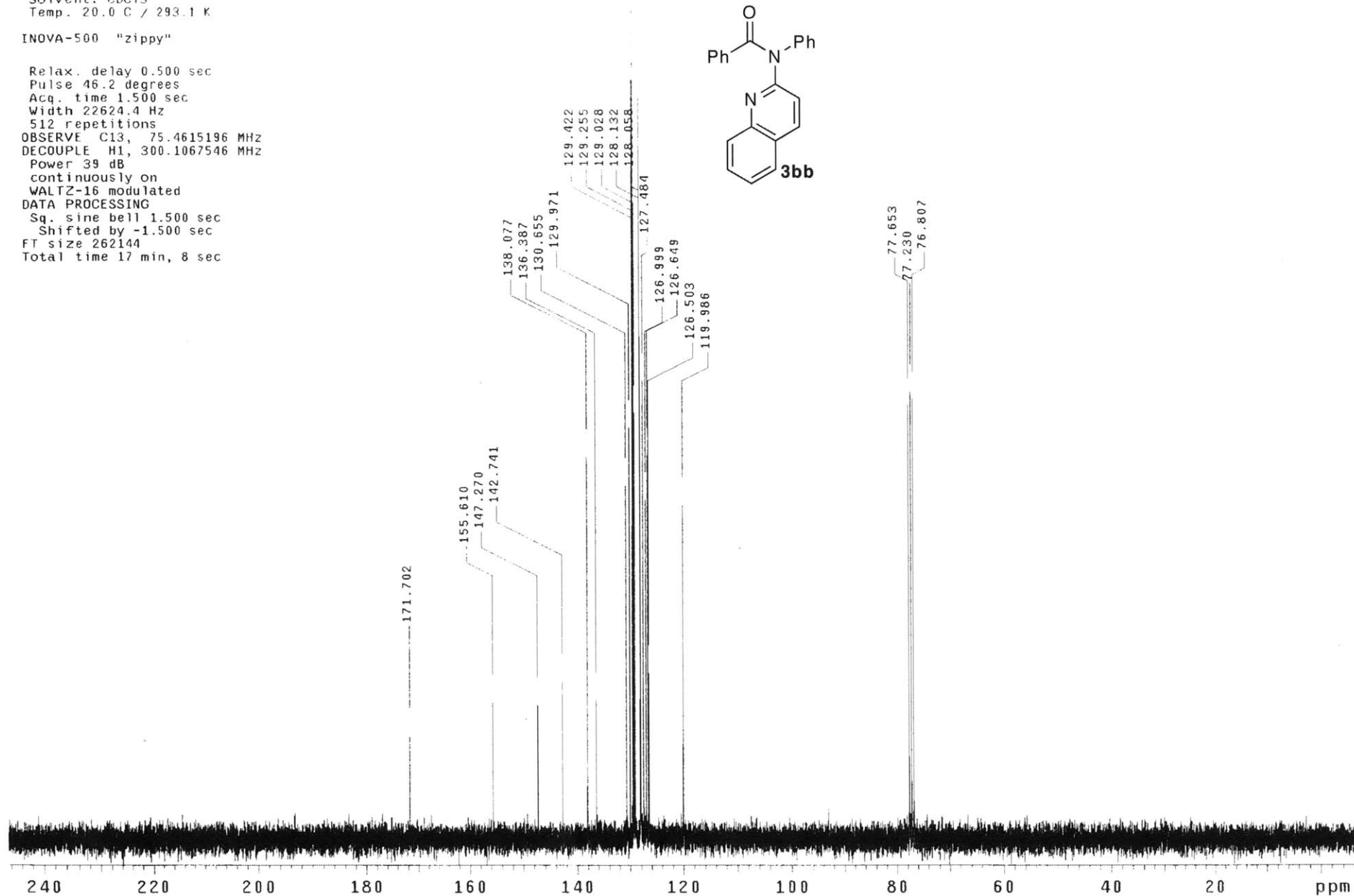
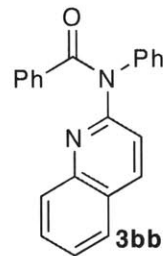
Pulse Sequence: s2pul

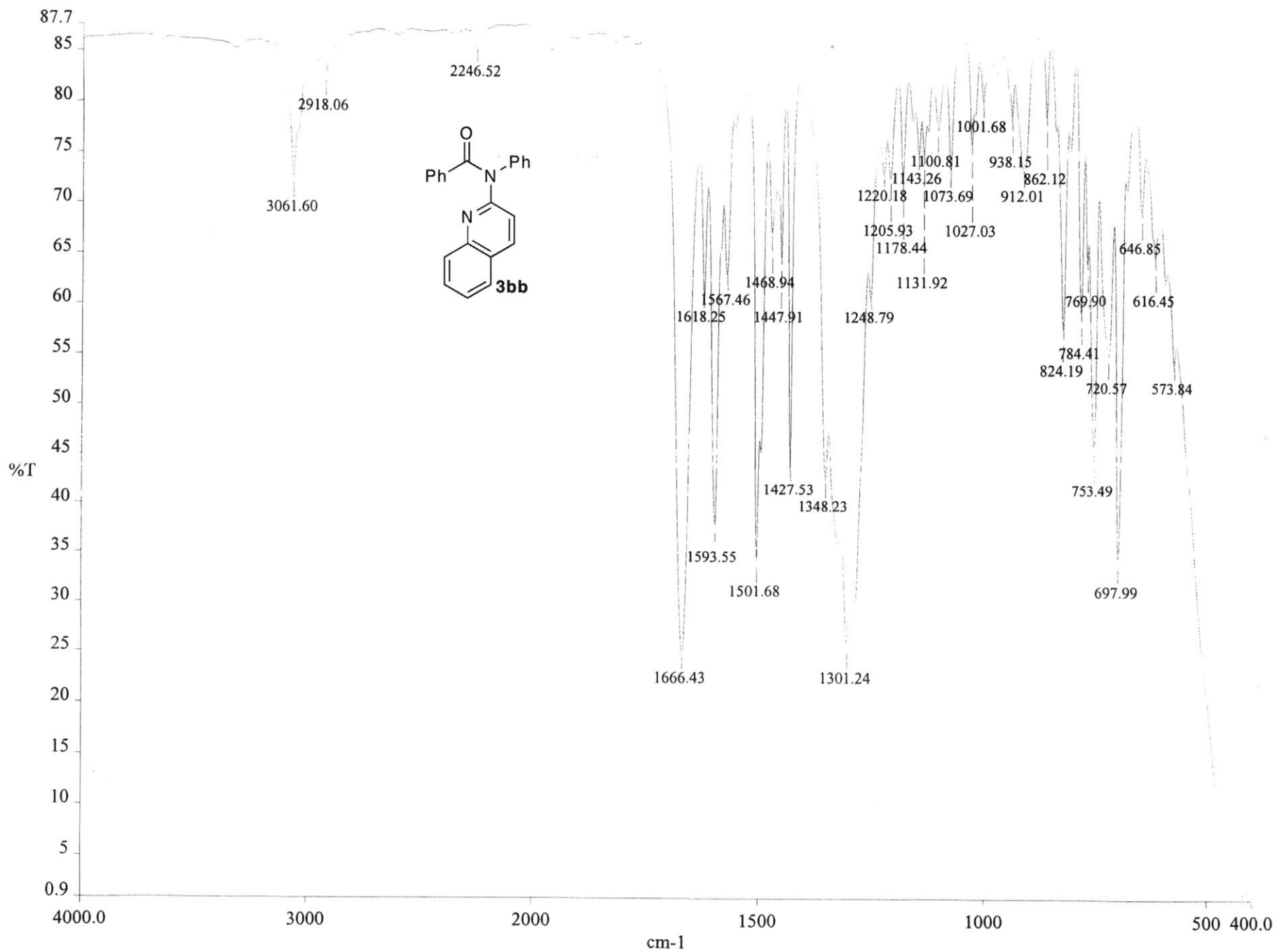
Solvent: CDC13

Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.500 sec  
Pulse 46.2 degrees  
Acq. time 1.500 sec  
Width 22624.4 Hz  
512 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 75.4615196 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 300.1067546 MHz  
Power 39 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Sq. sine bell 1.500 sec  
Shifted by -1.500 sec  
FT size 262144  
Total time 17 min, 8 sec





STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 2.000 sec

Pulse 94.4 degrees

Acq. time 3.001 sec

Width 10504.2 Hz

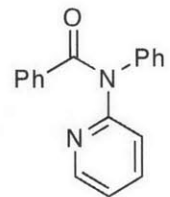
16 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 499.7417199 MHz

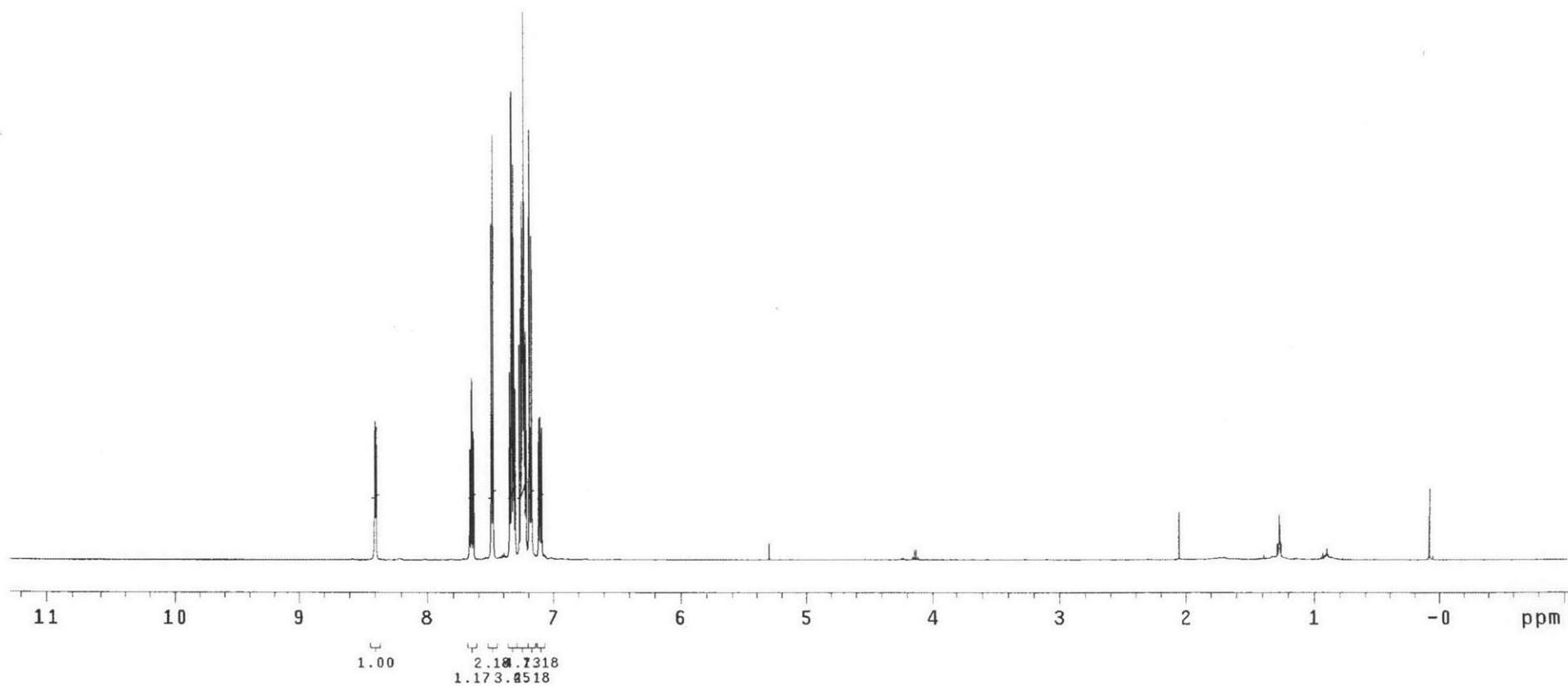
DATA PROCESSING

FT size 262144

Total time 1 min, 20 sec



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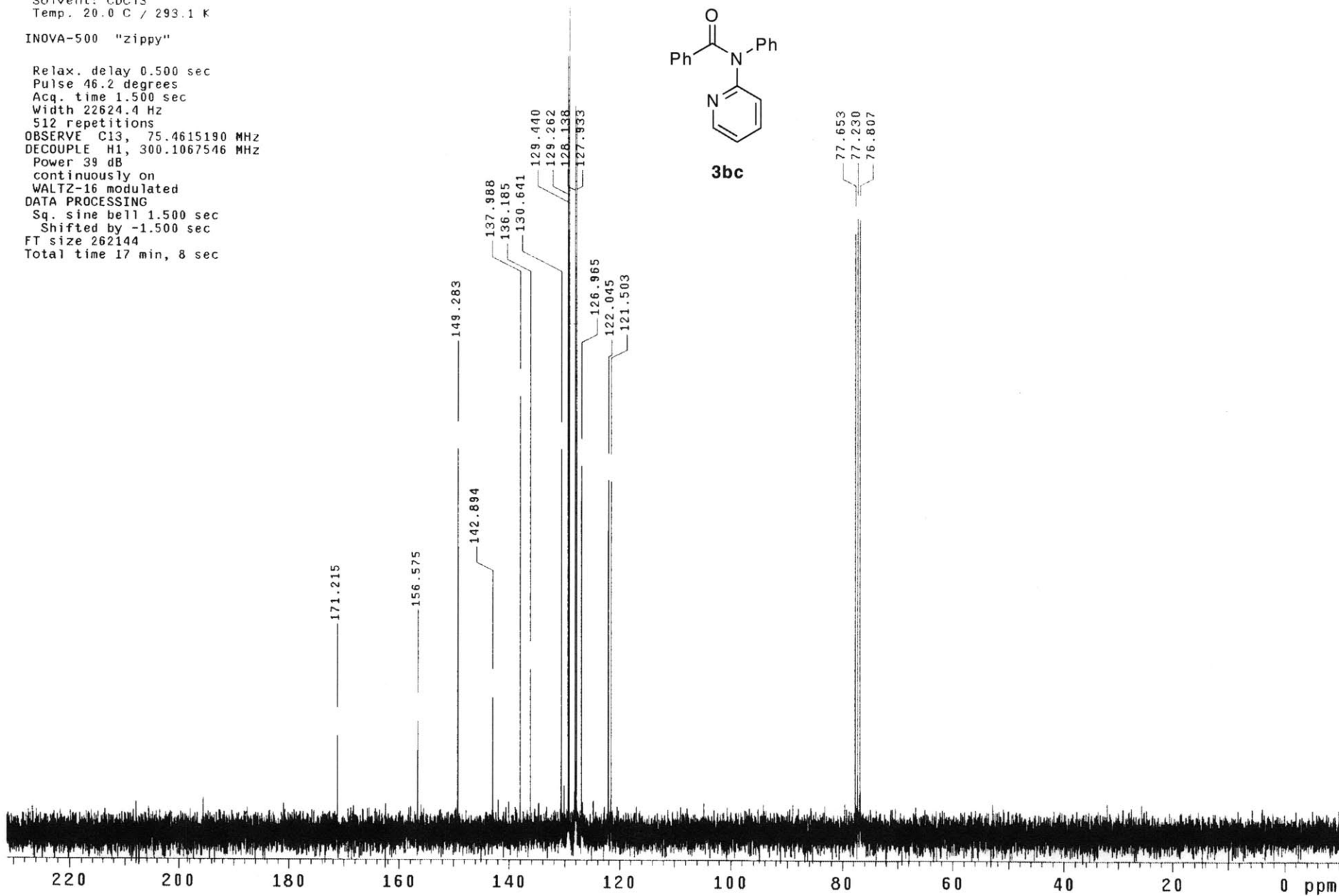
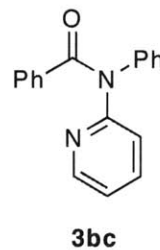
13C OBSERVE

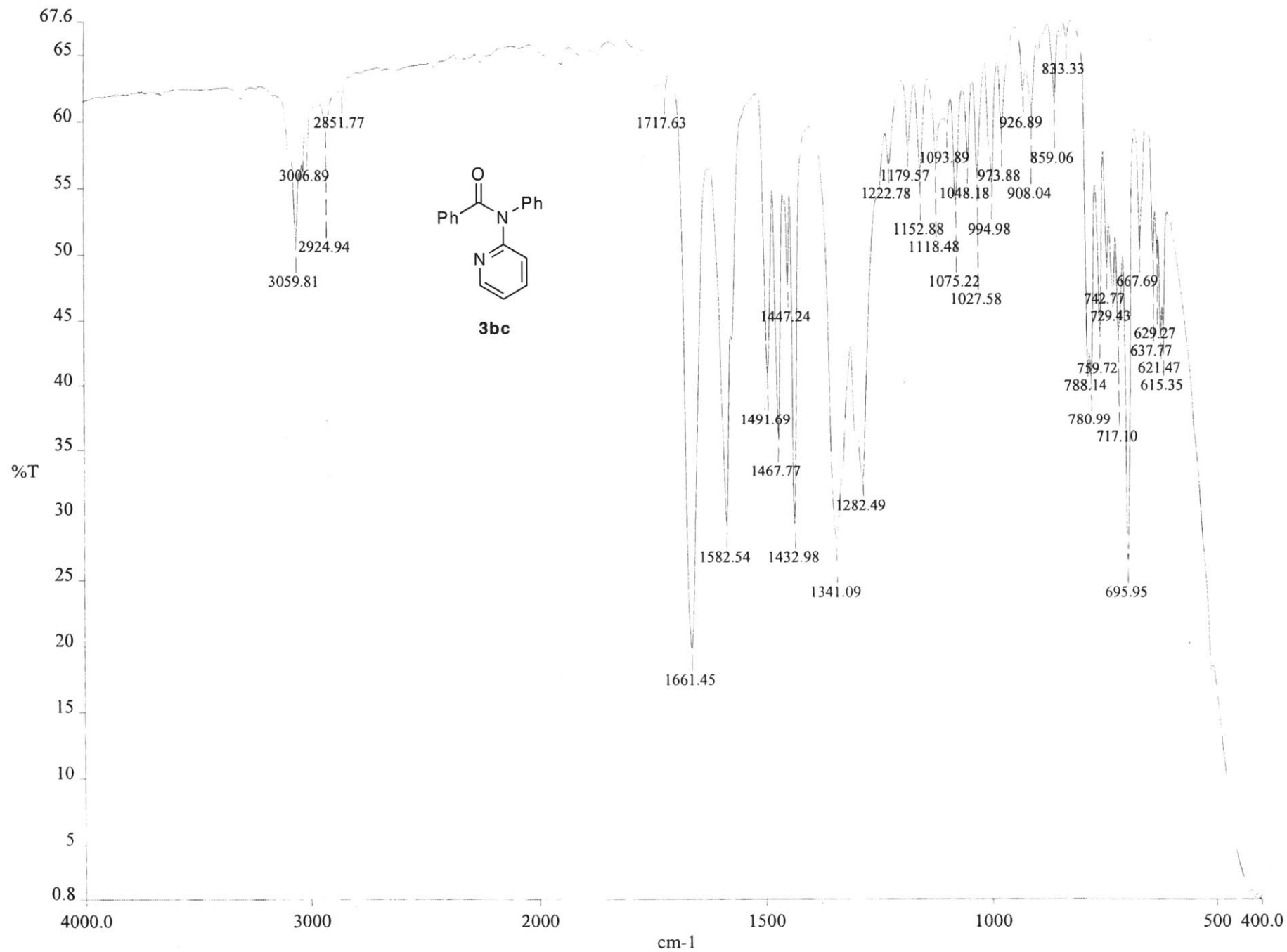
Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: CDC13  
Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.500 sec  
Pulse 46.2 degrees  
Acq. time 1.500 sec  
Width 22624.4 Hz  
512 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 75.4615190 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 300.1067546 MHz  
Power 39 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Sq. sine bell 1.500 sec  
Shifted by -1.500 sec  
FT size 262144  
Total time 17 min, 8 sec



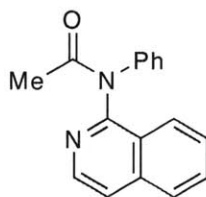




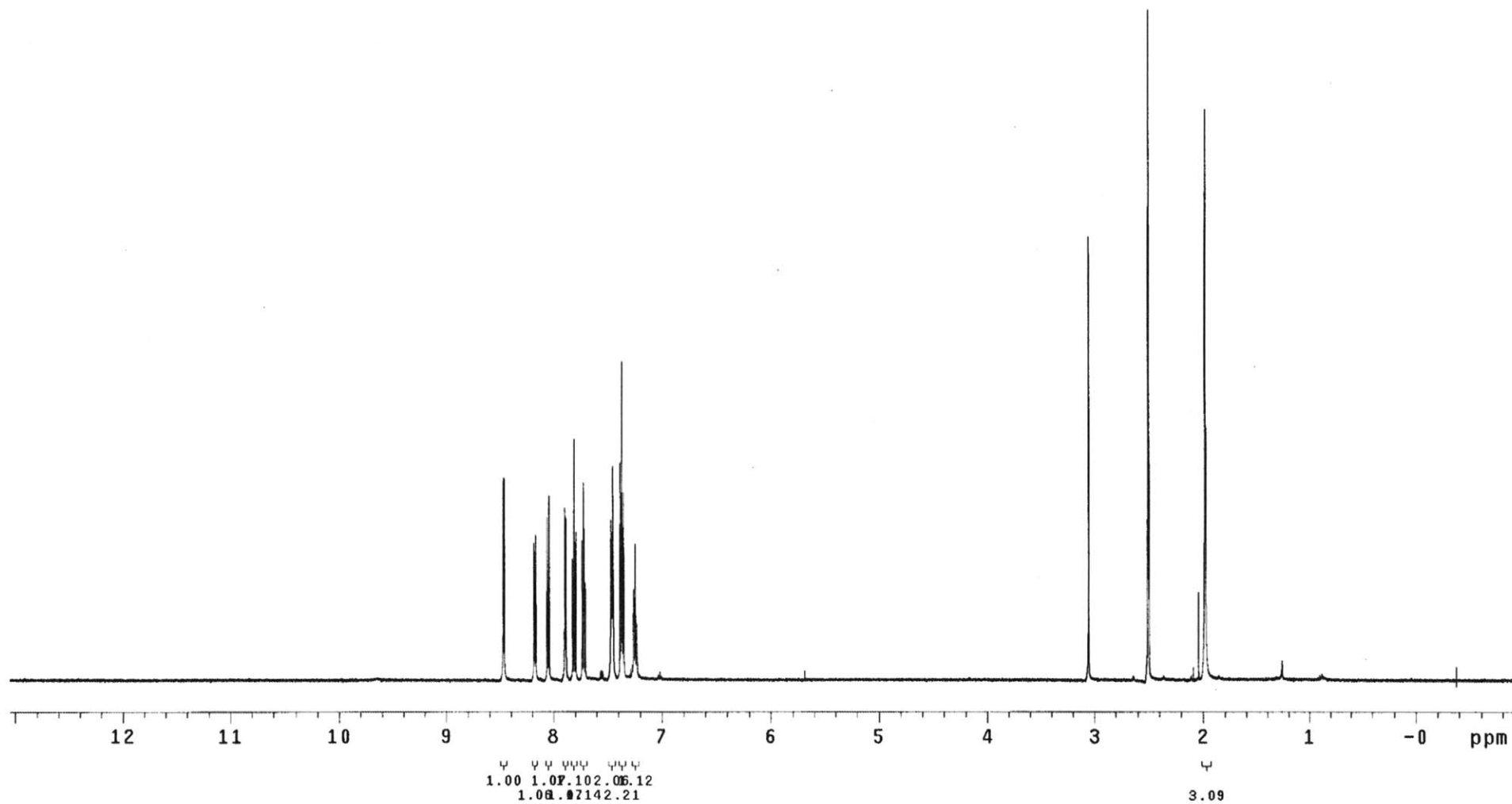
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1  
Solvent: DMSO  
Temp. 80.0 C / 353.1 K  
INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
Pulse 73.1 degrees  
Acq. time 4.999 sec  
Width 12012.0 Hz  
32 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.4318712 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144  
Total time 2 min, 43 sec



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STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: DMSO

Temp: 100.0 C / 373.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.763 sec

Pulse 69.0 degrees

Acq. time 1.736 sec

Width 37735.8 Hz

168 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 125.7829567 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 500.2315969 MHz

Power 37 dB

continuously on

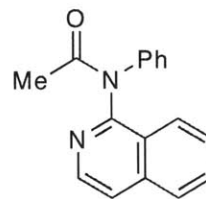
WALTZ-16 modulated

DATA PROCESSING

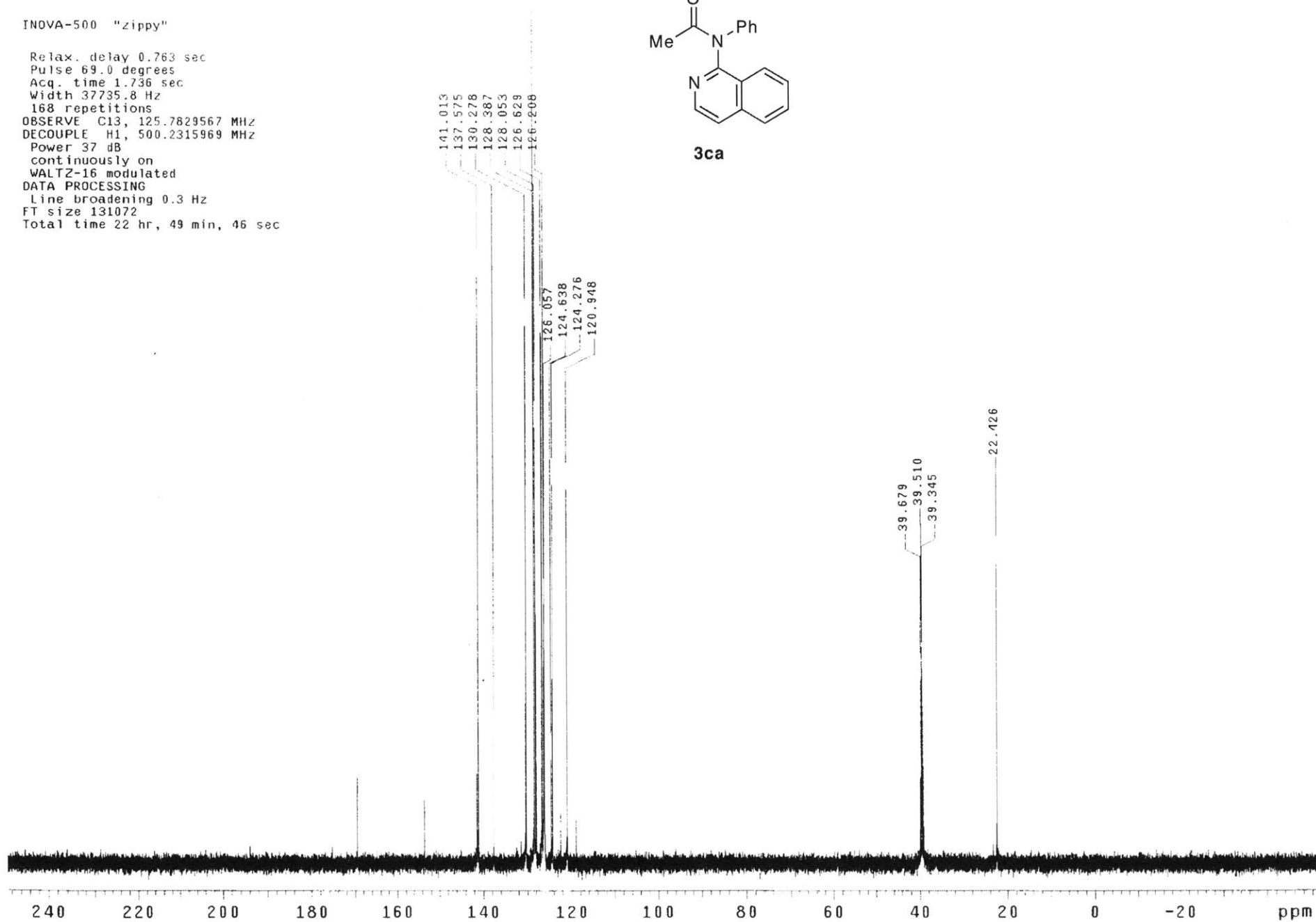
Line broadening 0.3 Hz

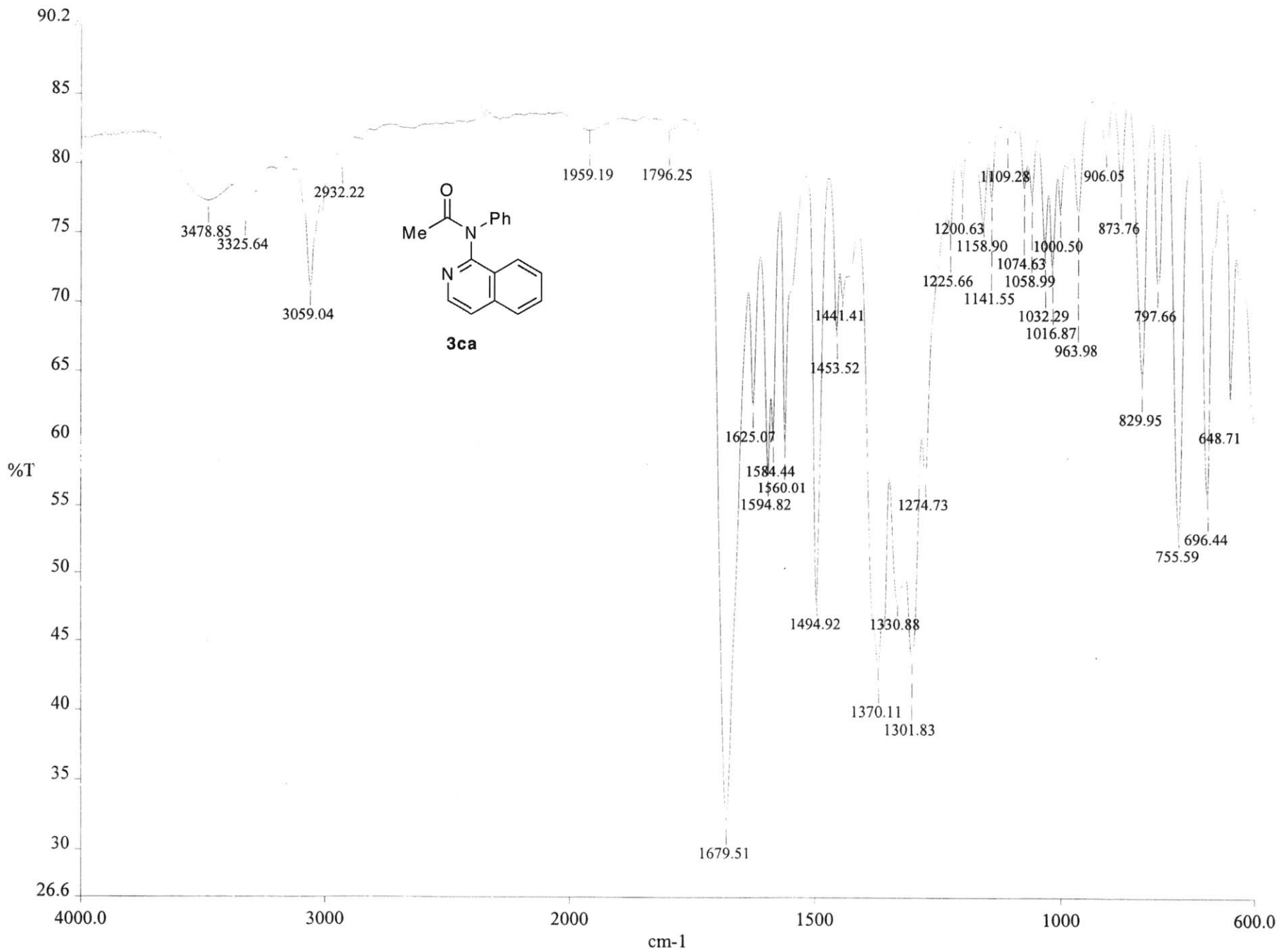
FT size 131072

Total time 22 hr, 49 min, 46 sec



3ca



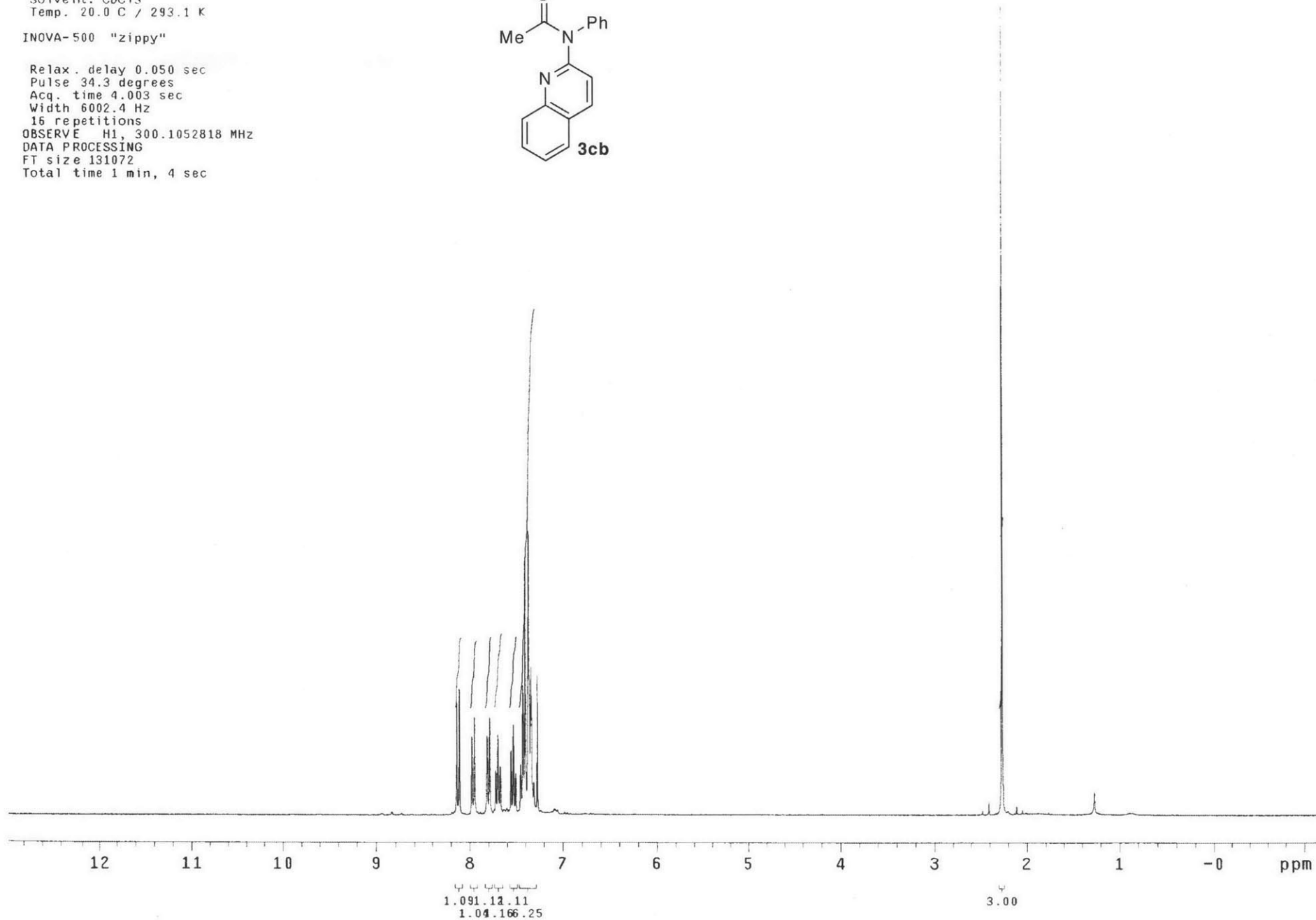
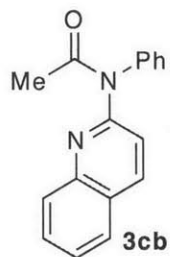


STANDARD 1H OBSERVE

Pulse Sequence: s2pul  
Solvent: CDC13  
Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.050 sec  
Pulse 34.3 degrees  
Acq. time 4.003 sec  
Width 6002.4 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 300.1052818 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 131072  
Total time 1 min, 4 sec



13C OBSERVE

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3

Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.500 sec

Pulse 46.2 degrees

Acq. time 1.500 sec

Width 22624.4 Hz

256 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 75.4615215 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 300.1067546 MHz

Power 39 dB

continuously on

WALTZ-16 modulated

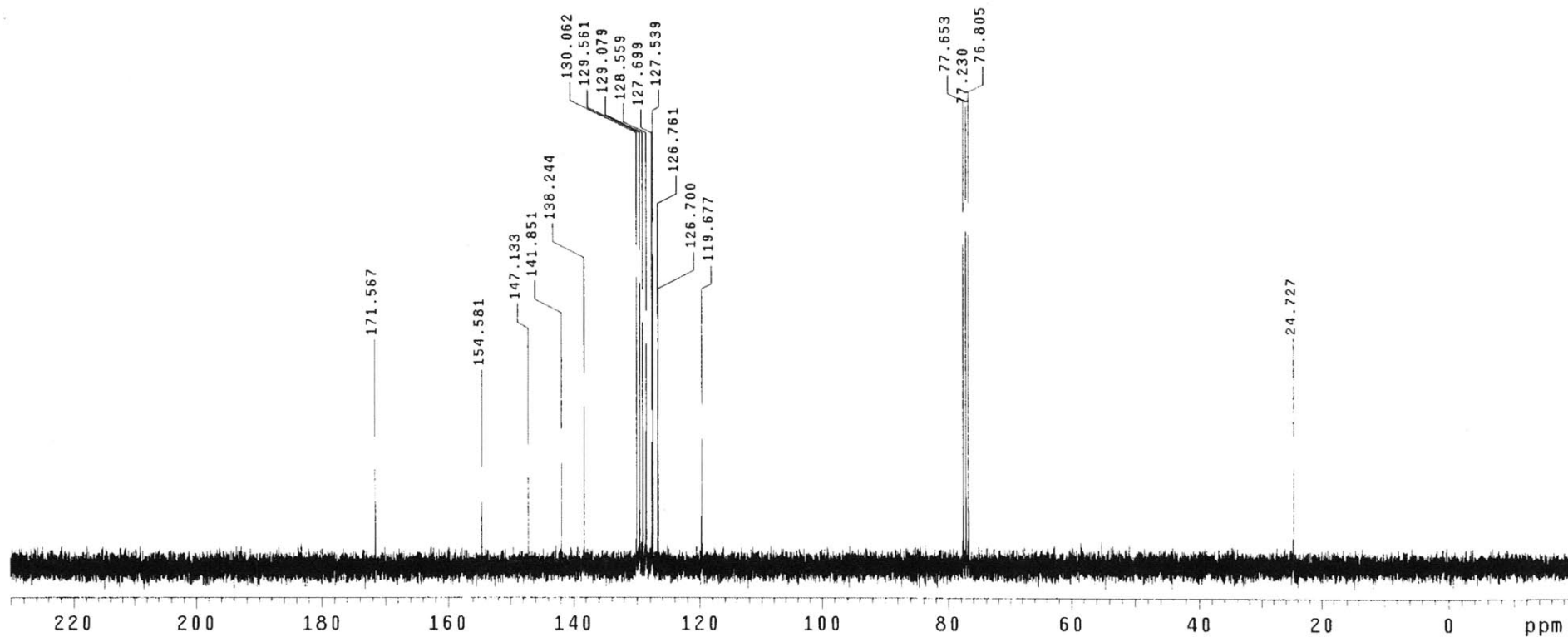
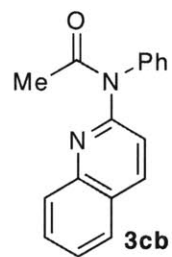
DATA PROCESSING

Sq. sine bell 1.500 sec

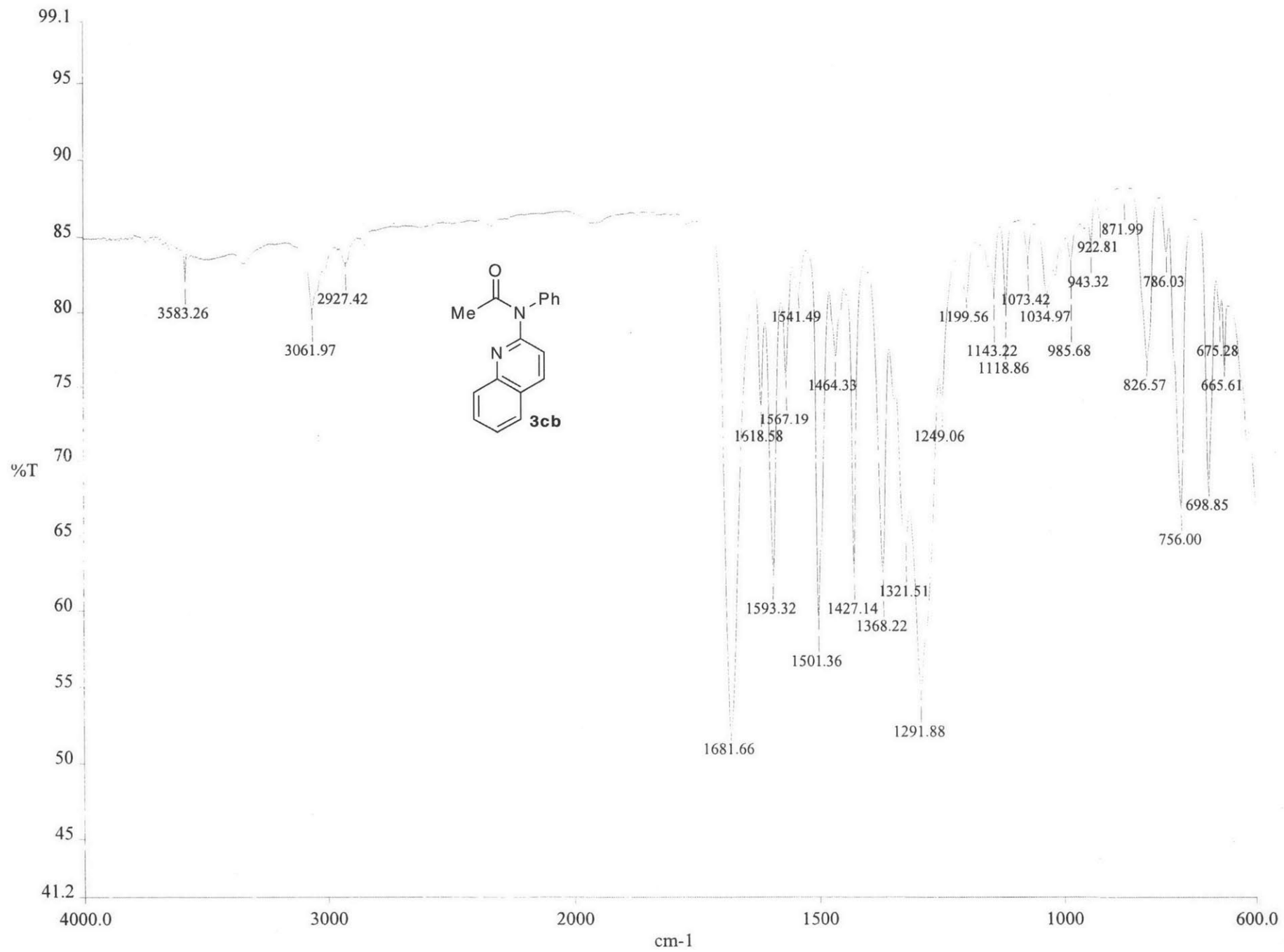
Shifted by -1.500 sec

FT size 262144

Total time 8 min, 34 sec







STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 2.000 sec

Pulse 59.1 degrees

Acq. time 3.001 sec

Width 10504.2 Hz

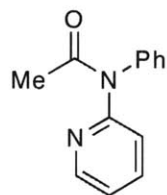
16 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 499.7417203 MHz

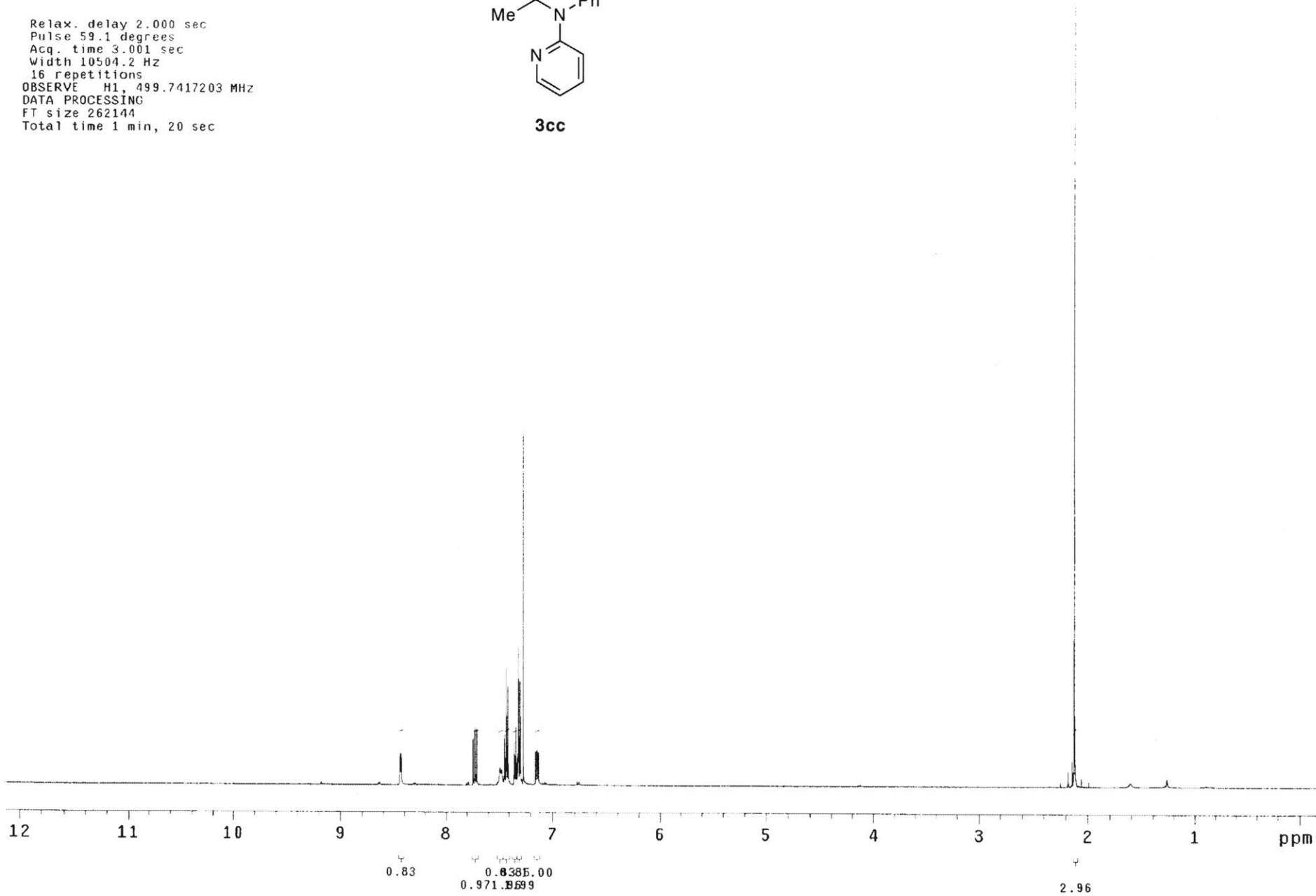
DATA PROCESSING

FT size 262144

Total time 1 min, 20 sec



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STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

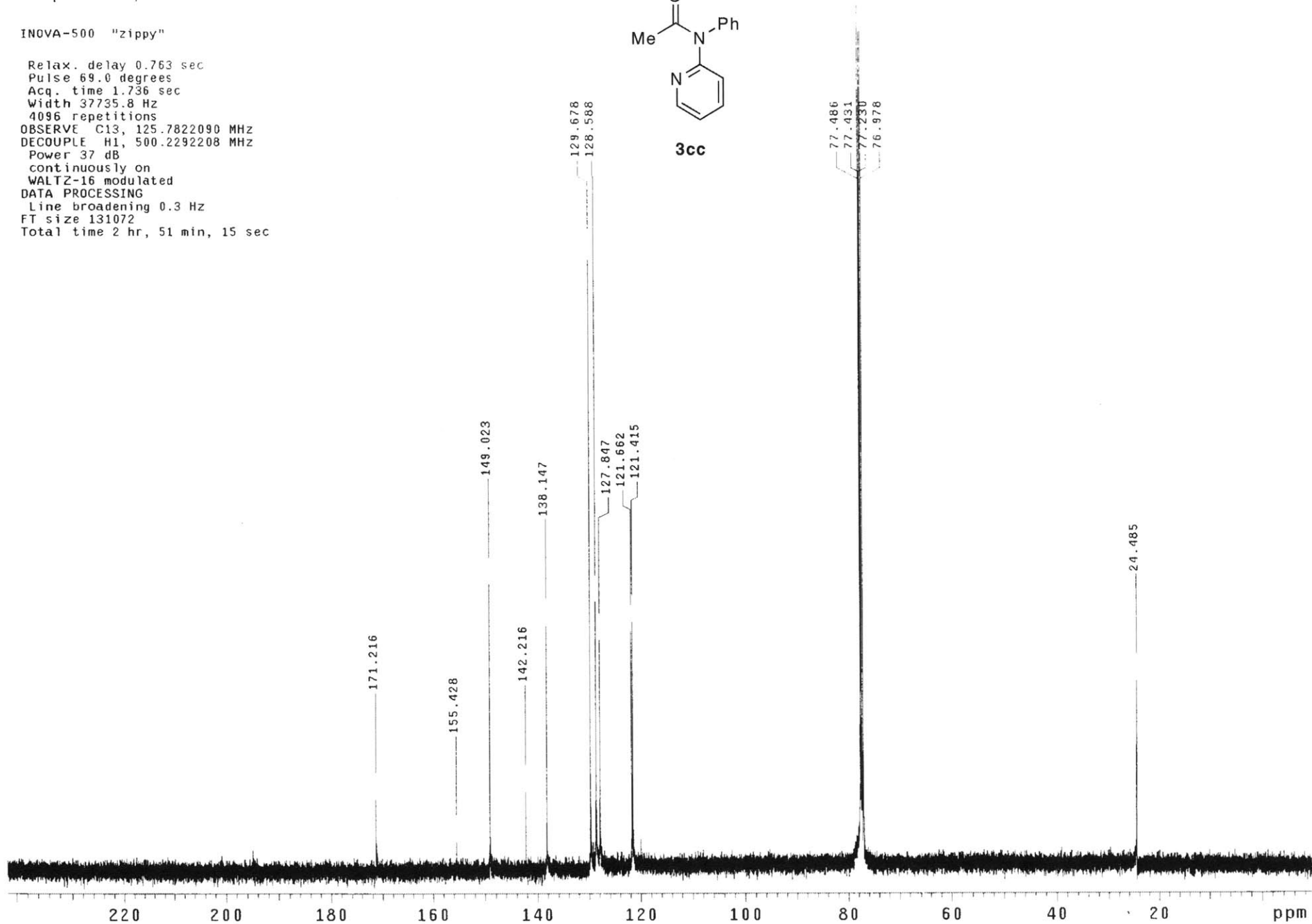
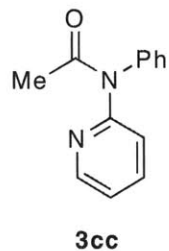
Pulse Sequence: s2pul

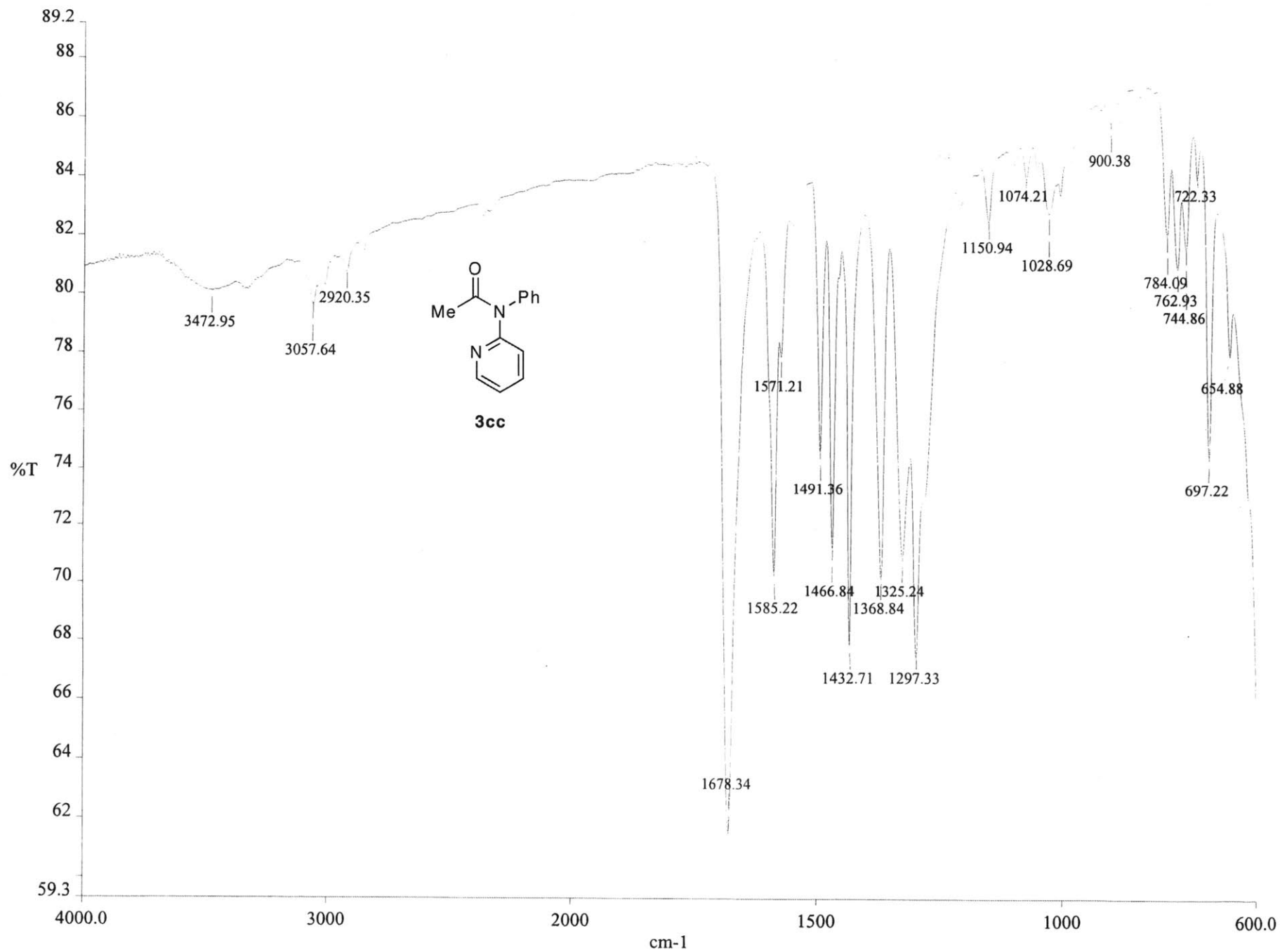
Solvent: CDCl3

Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.0 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
4096 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822090 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072  
Total time 2 hr, 51 min, 15 sec





STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.100 sec

Pulse 78.7 degrees

Acq. time 4.999 sec

Width 12012.0 Hz

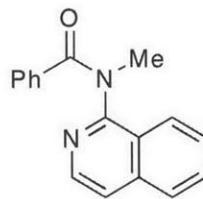
Single scan

OBSERVE H1, 500.4294965 MHz

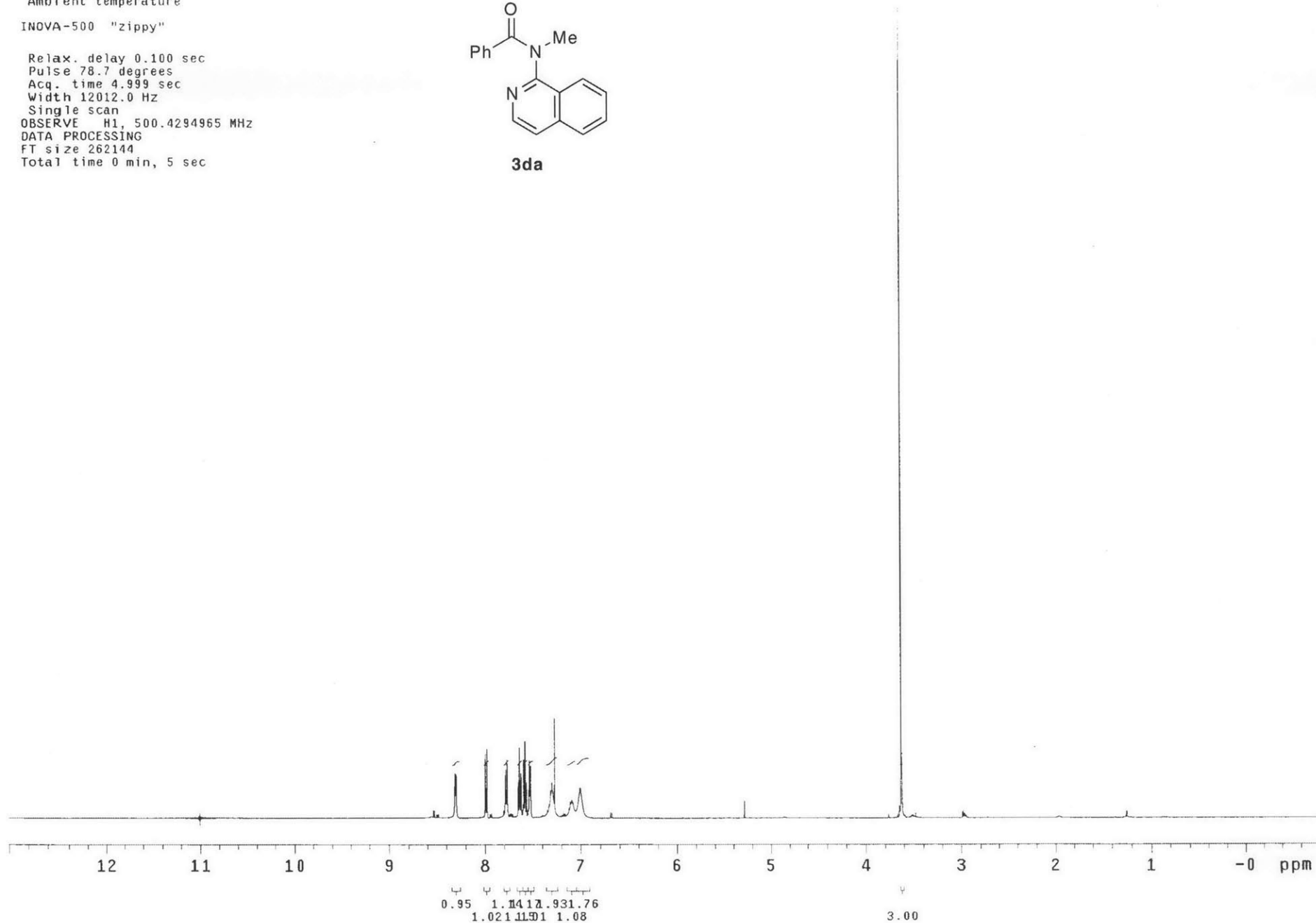
DATA PROCESSING

FT size 262144

Total time 0 min, 5 sec



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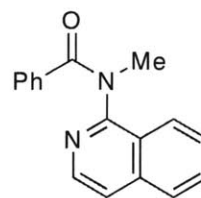
13C OBSERVE

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

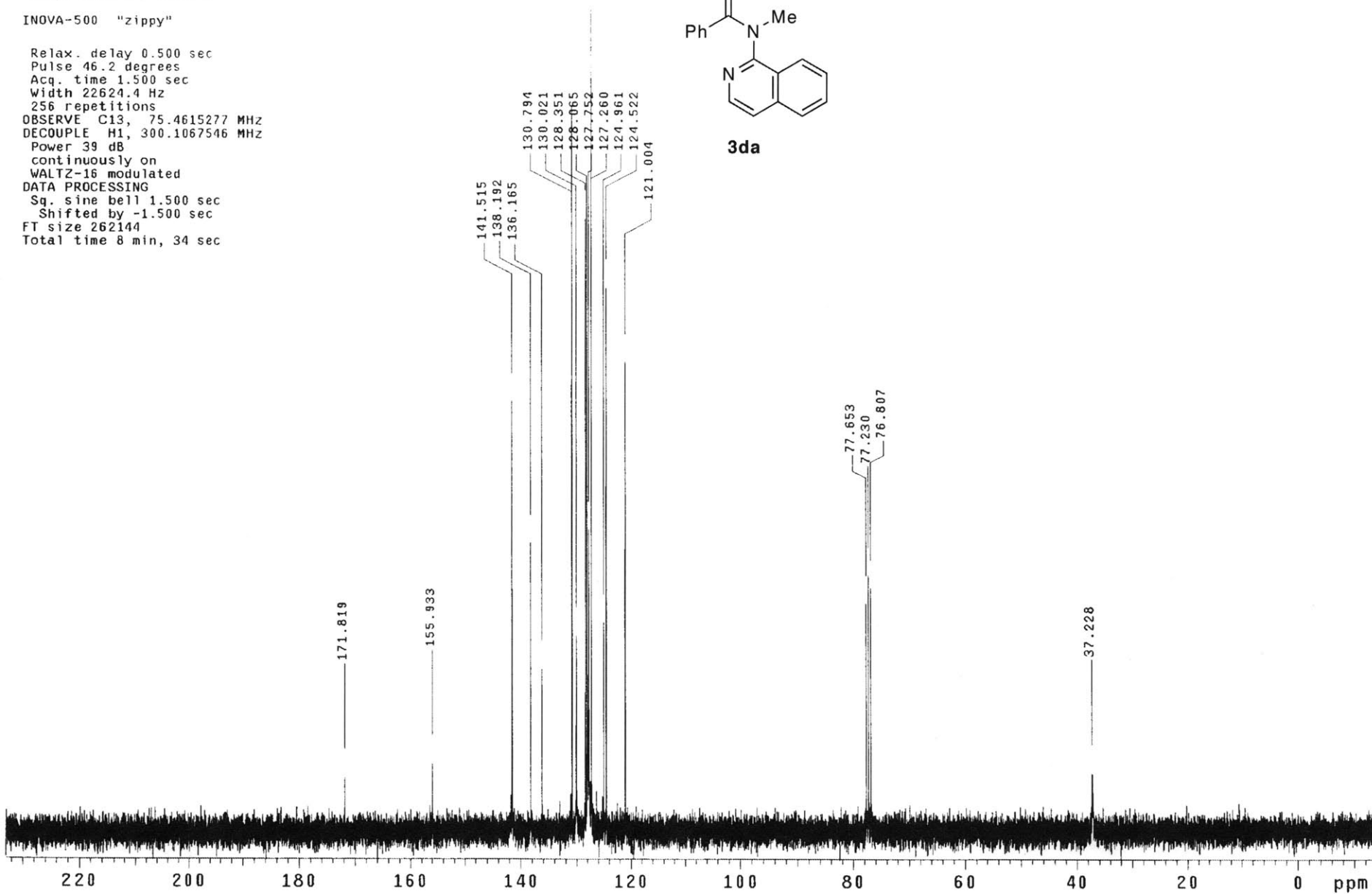
Solvent: CDCl3  
Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

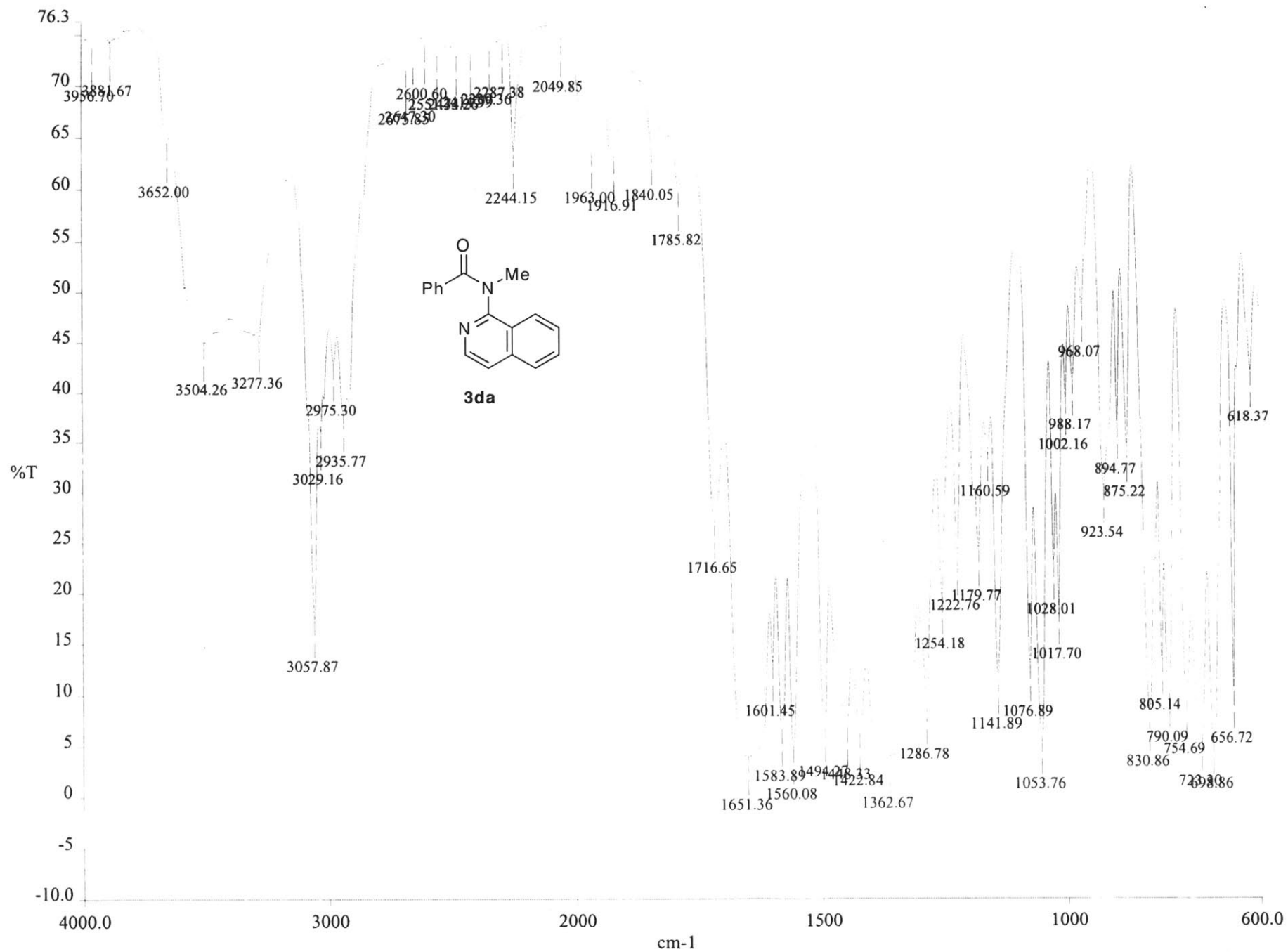
INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.500 sec  
Pulse 46.2 degrees  
Acq. time 1.500 sec  
Width 22624.4 Hz  
256 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 75.4615277 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 300.1067546 MHz  
Power 39 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Sq. sine bell 1.500 sec  
Shifted by -1.500 sec  
FT size 262144  
Total time 8 min, 34 sec



3da



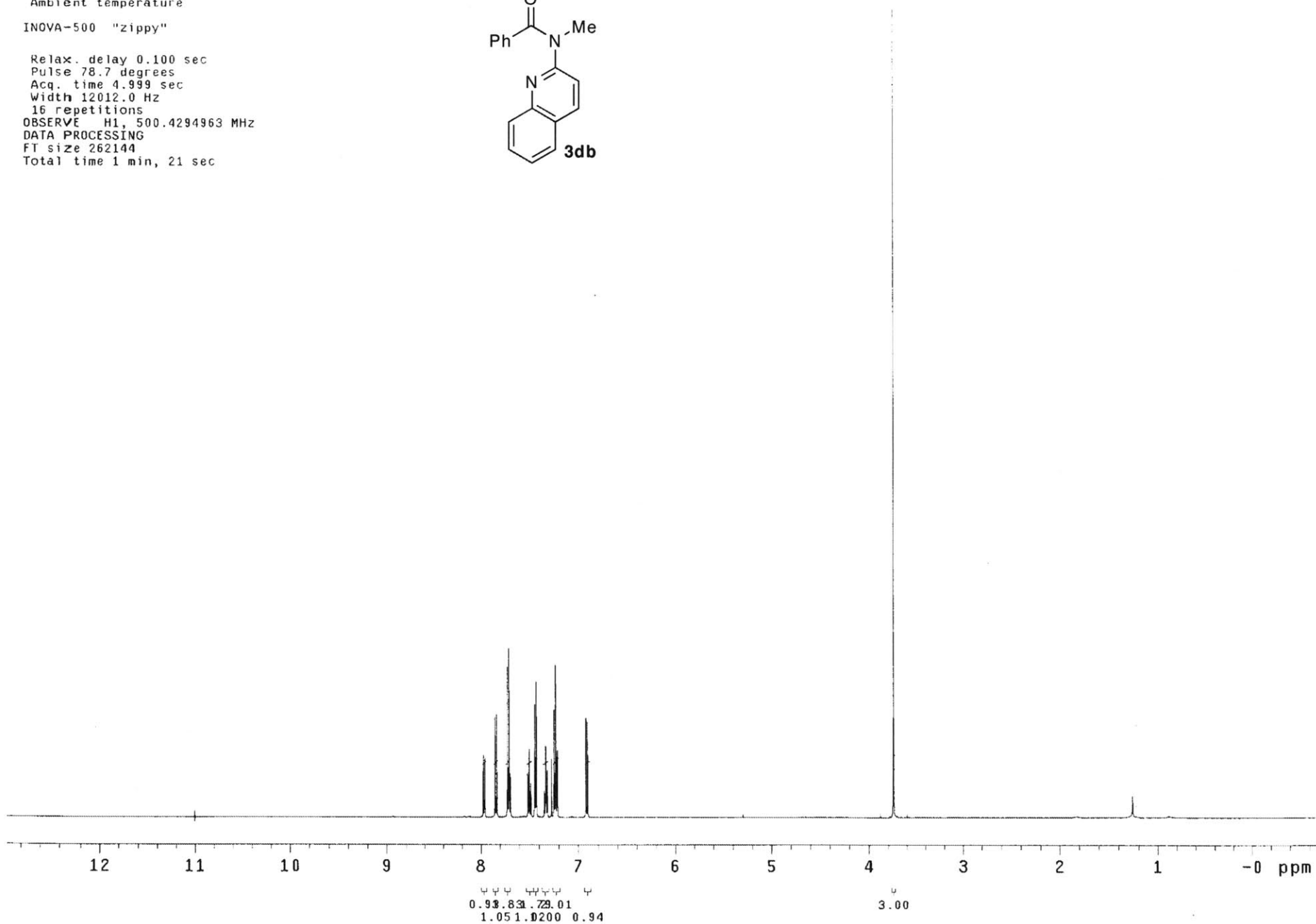
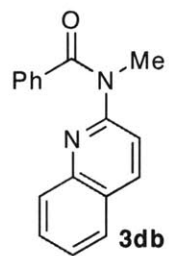


Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3  
Ambient temperature

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
Pulse 78.7 degrees  
Acq. time 4.999 sec  
Width 12012.0 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.4294963 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144  
Total time 1 min, 21 sec



13C OBSERVE

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.500 sec

Pulse 46.2 degrees

Acq. time 1.500 sec

Width 22624.4 Hz

256 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 75.4615208 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 300.1067546 MHz

Power 39 dB

continuously on

WALTZ-16 modulated

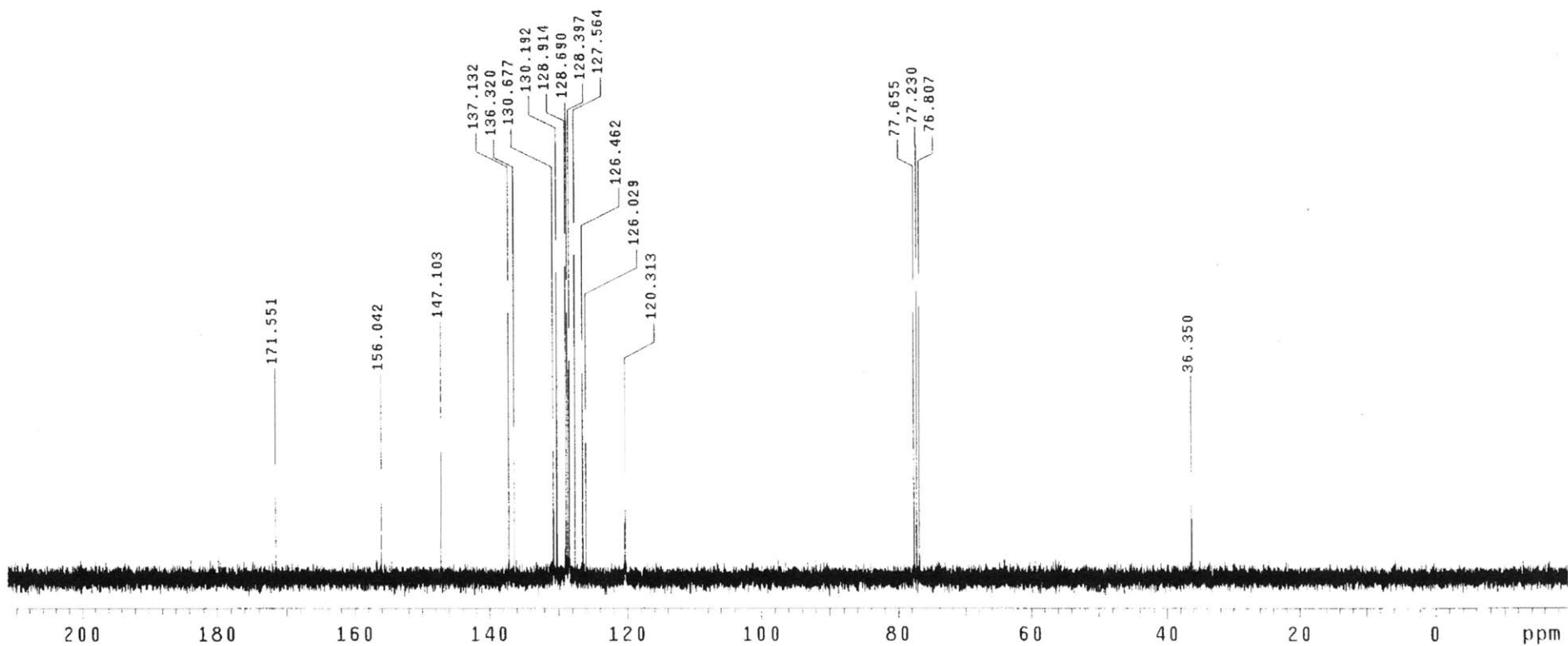
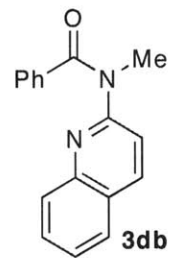
DATA PROCESSING

Sq. sine bell 1.500 sec

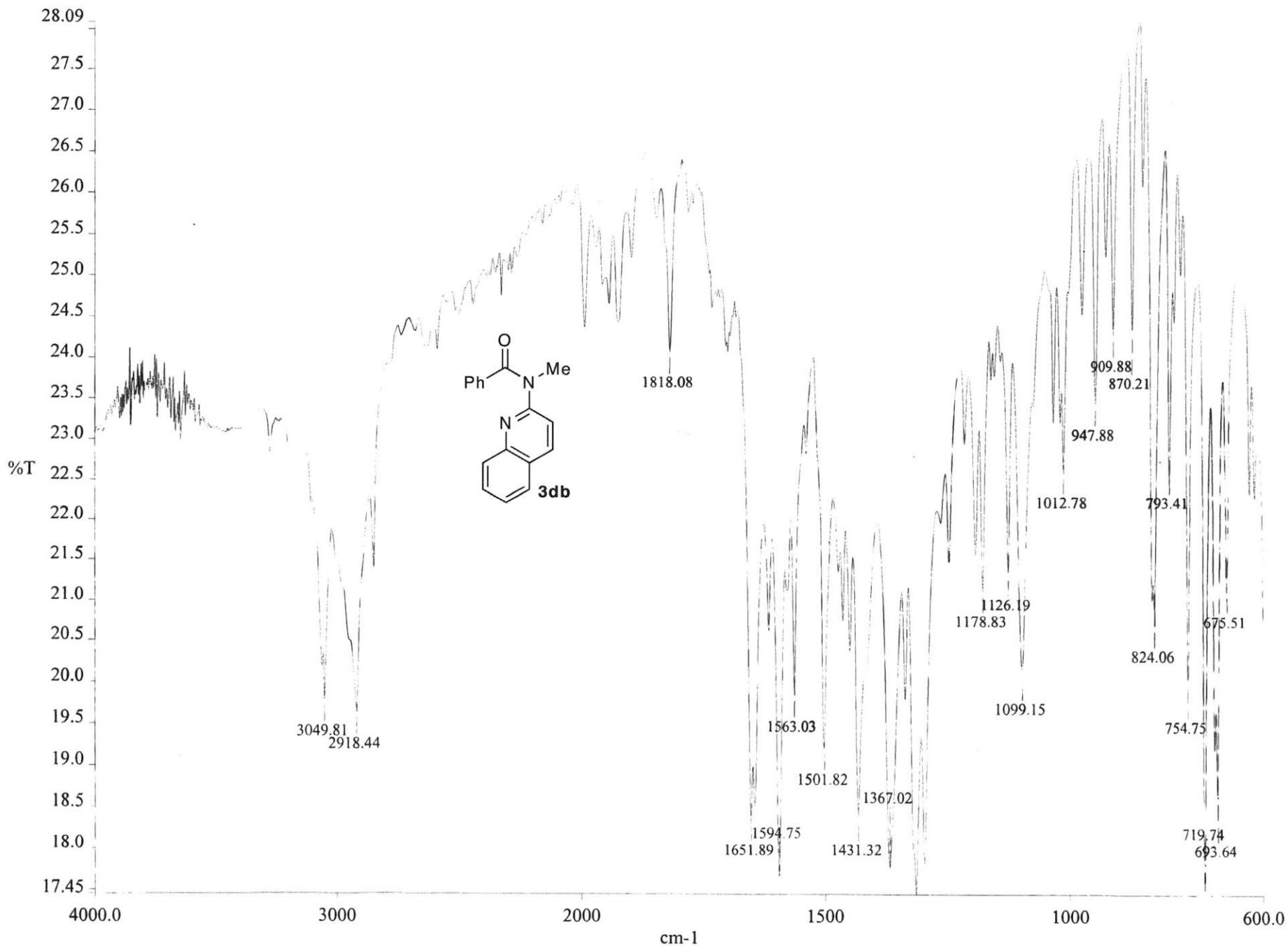
Shifted by -1.500 sec

FT size 262144

Total time 8 min, 34 sec



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Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Pulse 88.0 degrees

Acq. time 3.200 sec

Width 10000.0 Hz

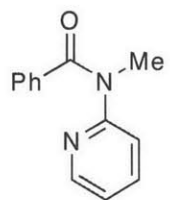
16 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 500.2272164 MHz

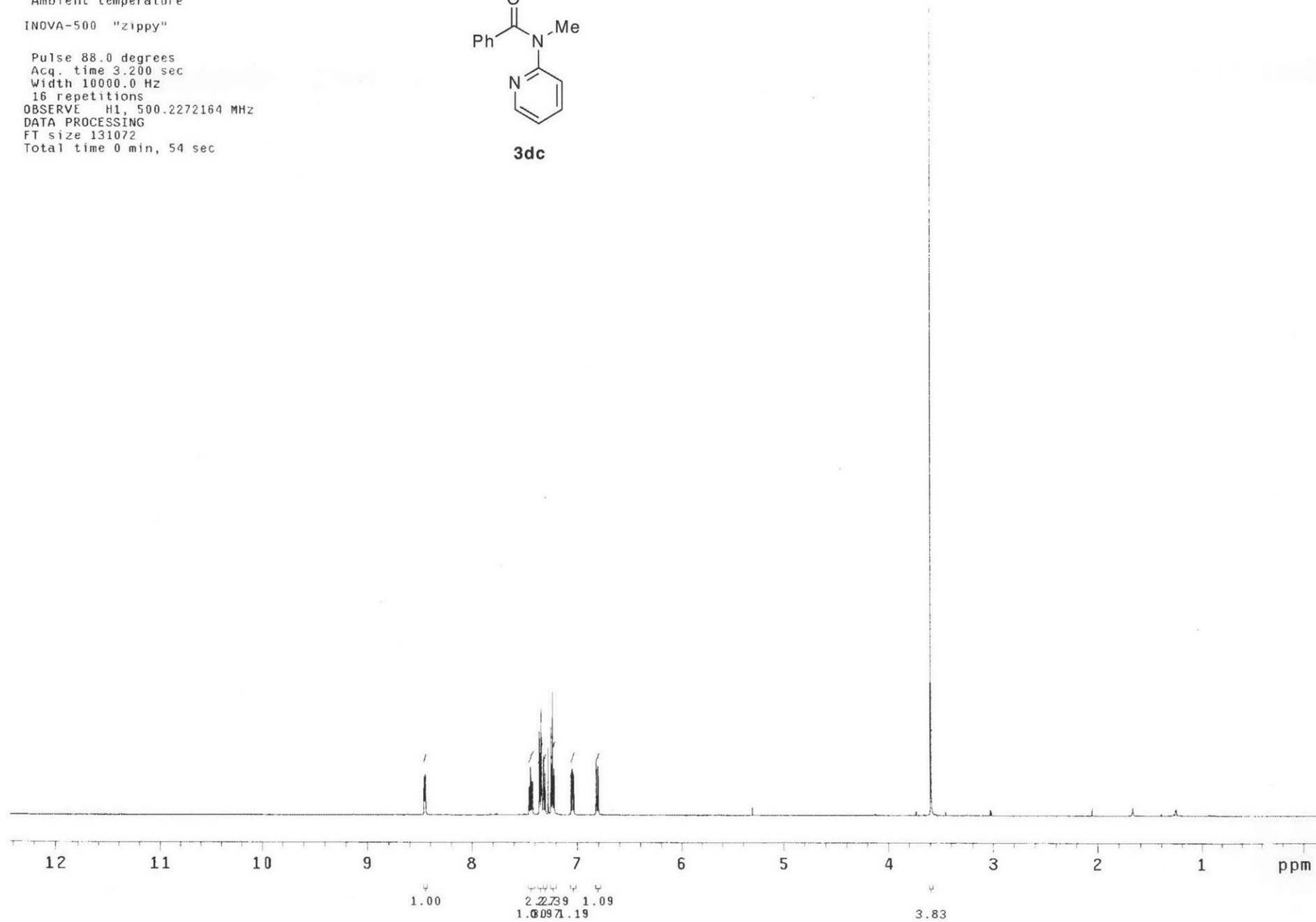
DATA PROCESSING

FT size 131072

Total time 0 min, 54 sec



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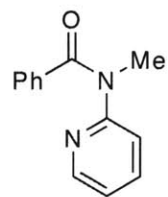
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pul

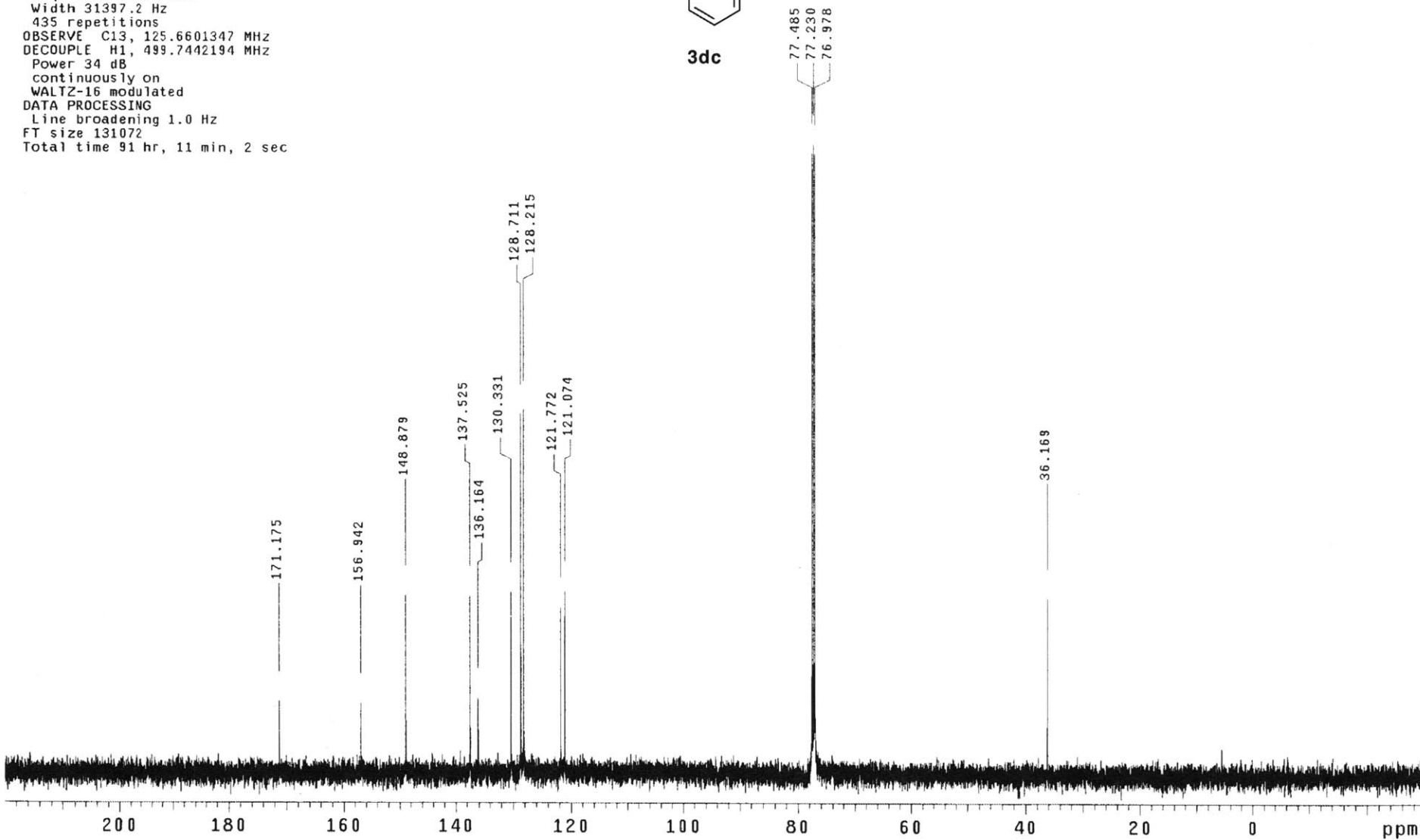
Solvent: CDCl<sub>3</sub>  
Ambient temperature

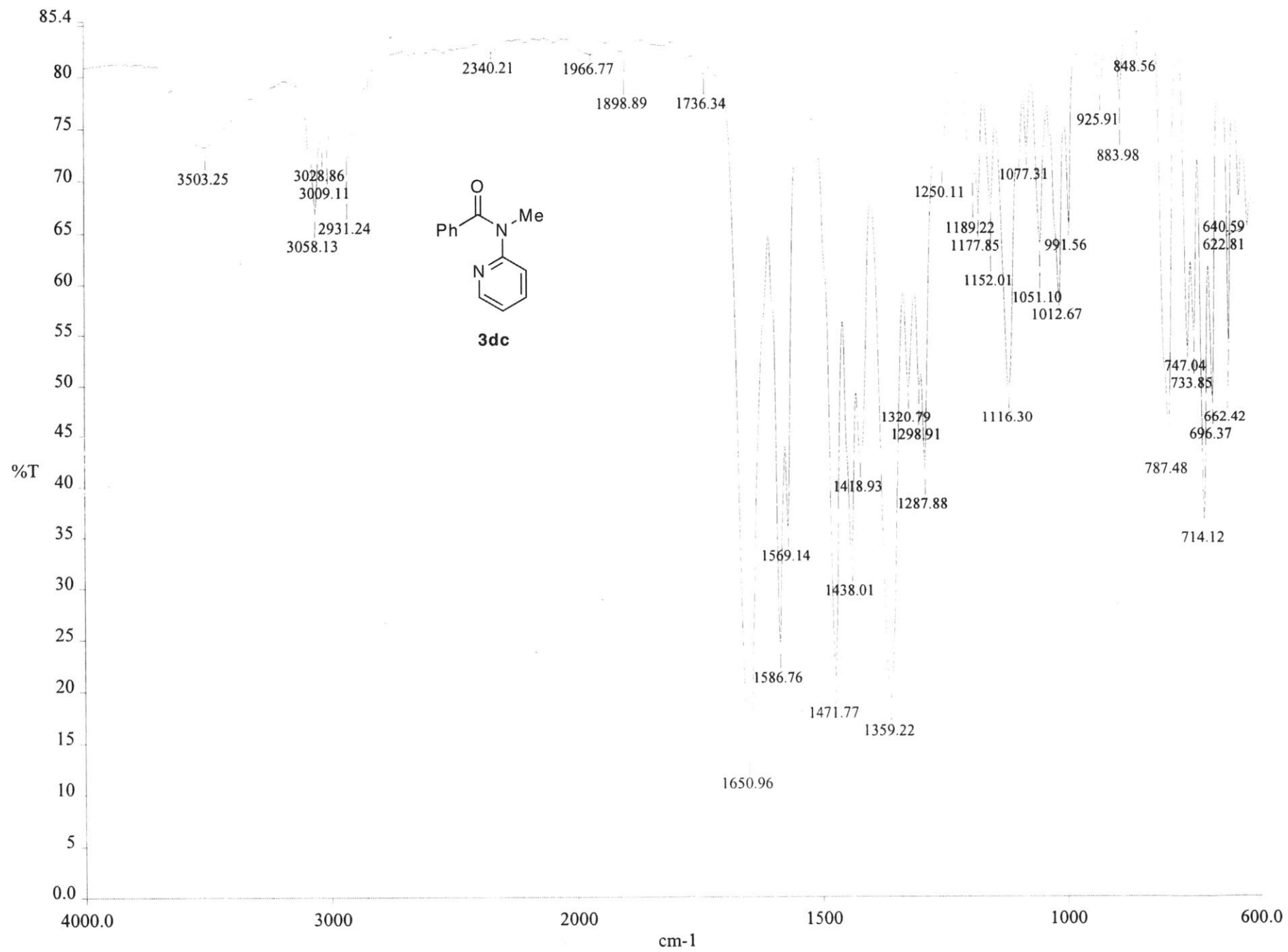
INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 33.6 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
435 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6601347 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442194 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072  
Total time 91 hr, 11 min, 2 sec



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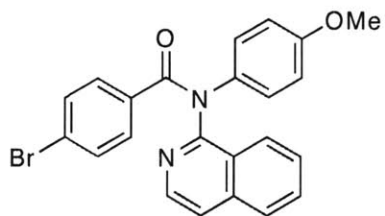
STANDARD 1H OBSERVE

Pulse Sequence: s2pul

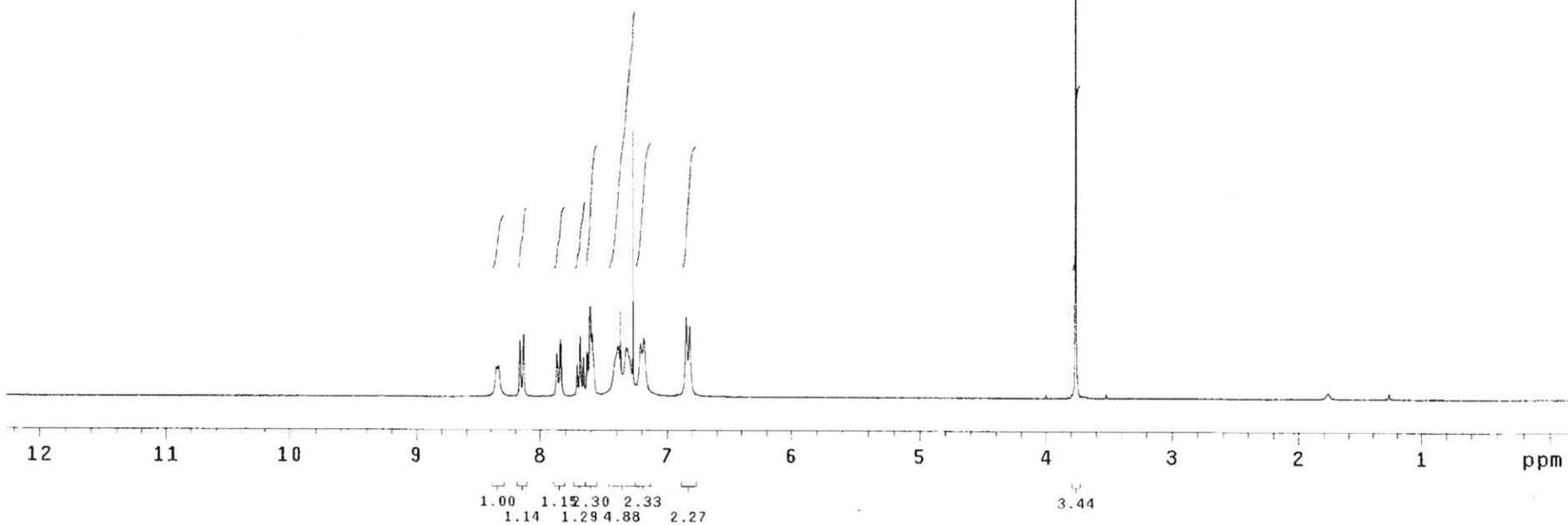
Solvent: CDC13  
Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.050 sec  
Pulse 34.3 degrees  
Acq. time 4.003 sec  
Width 6002.4 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 300.1052785 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 131072  
Total time 1 min, 4 sec



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STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

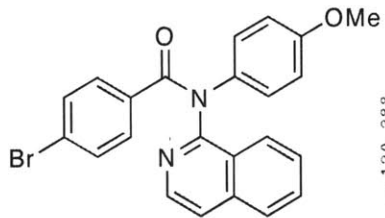
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: DMSO

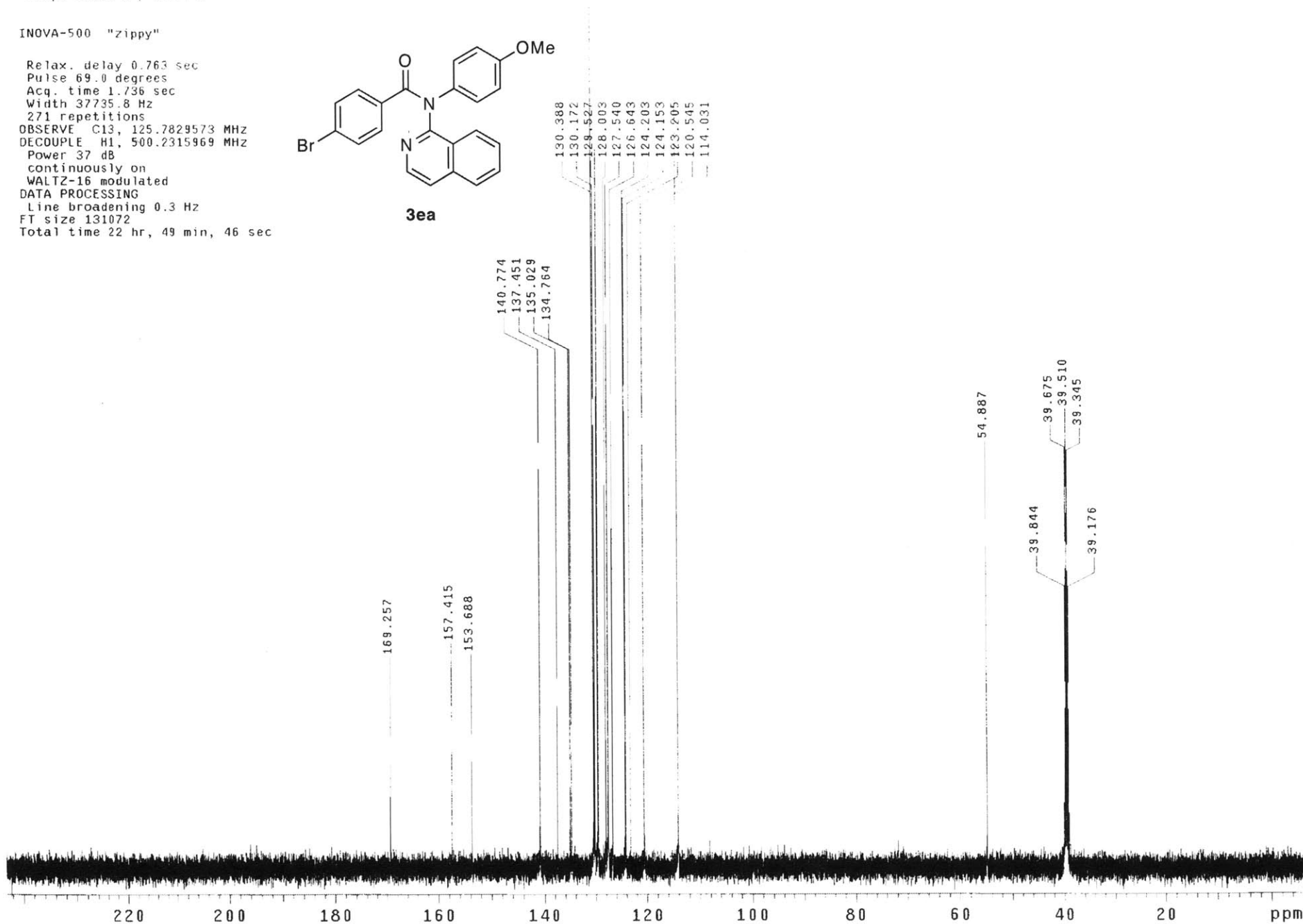
Temp. 100.0 C / 373.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

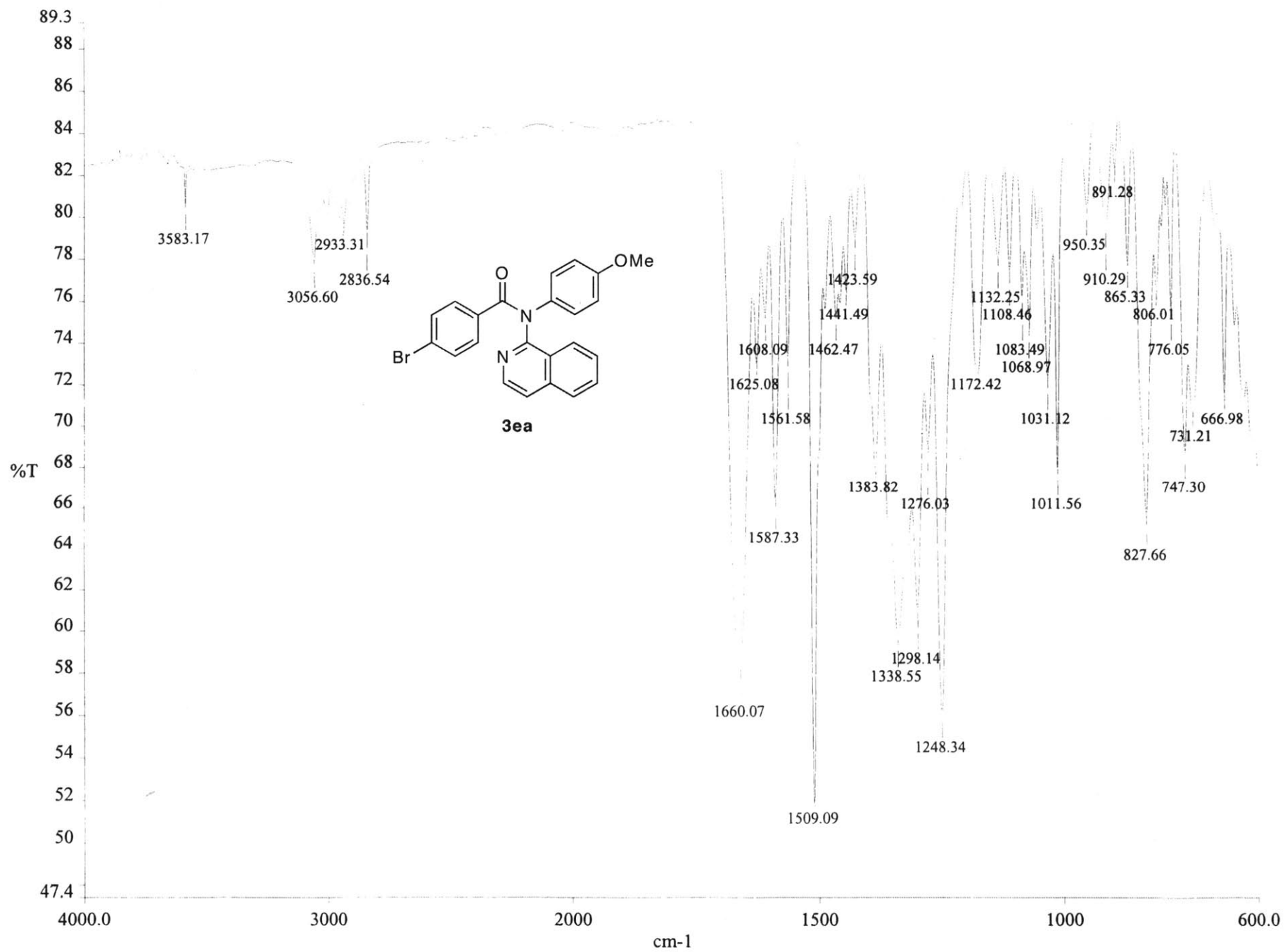
Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.0 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
271 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7829573 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2315969 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072  
Total time 22 hr, 49 min, 46 sec



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STANDARD 1H OBSERVE

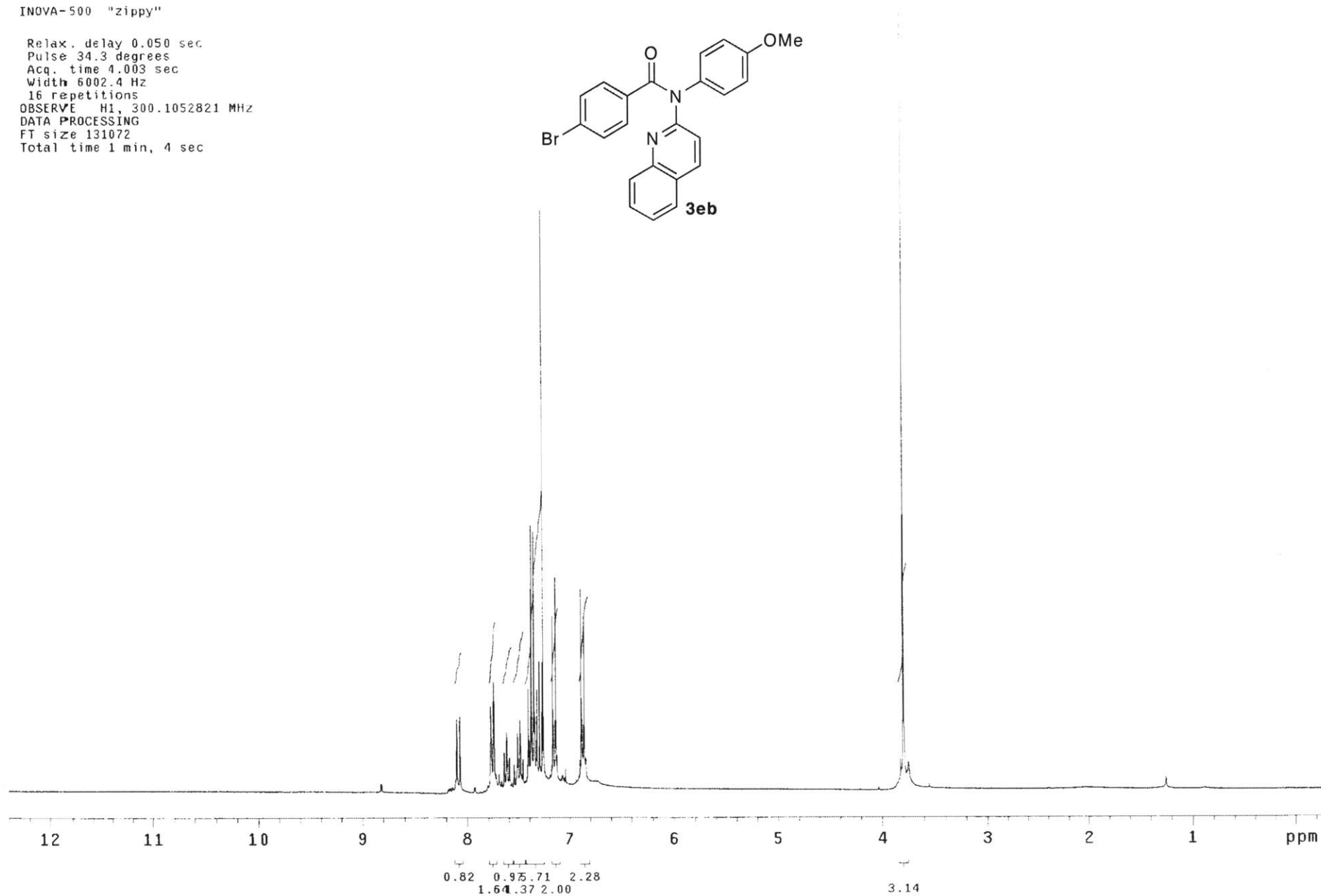
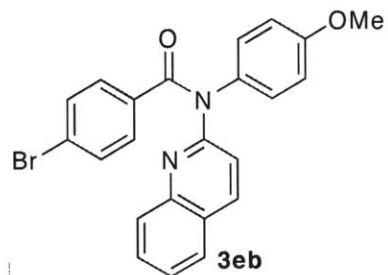
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3

Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.050 sec  
Pulse 34.3 degrees  
Acq. time 4.003 sec  
Width 6002.4 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 300.1052821 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 131072  
Total time 1 min, 4 sec

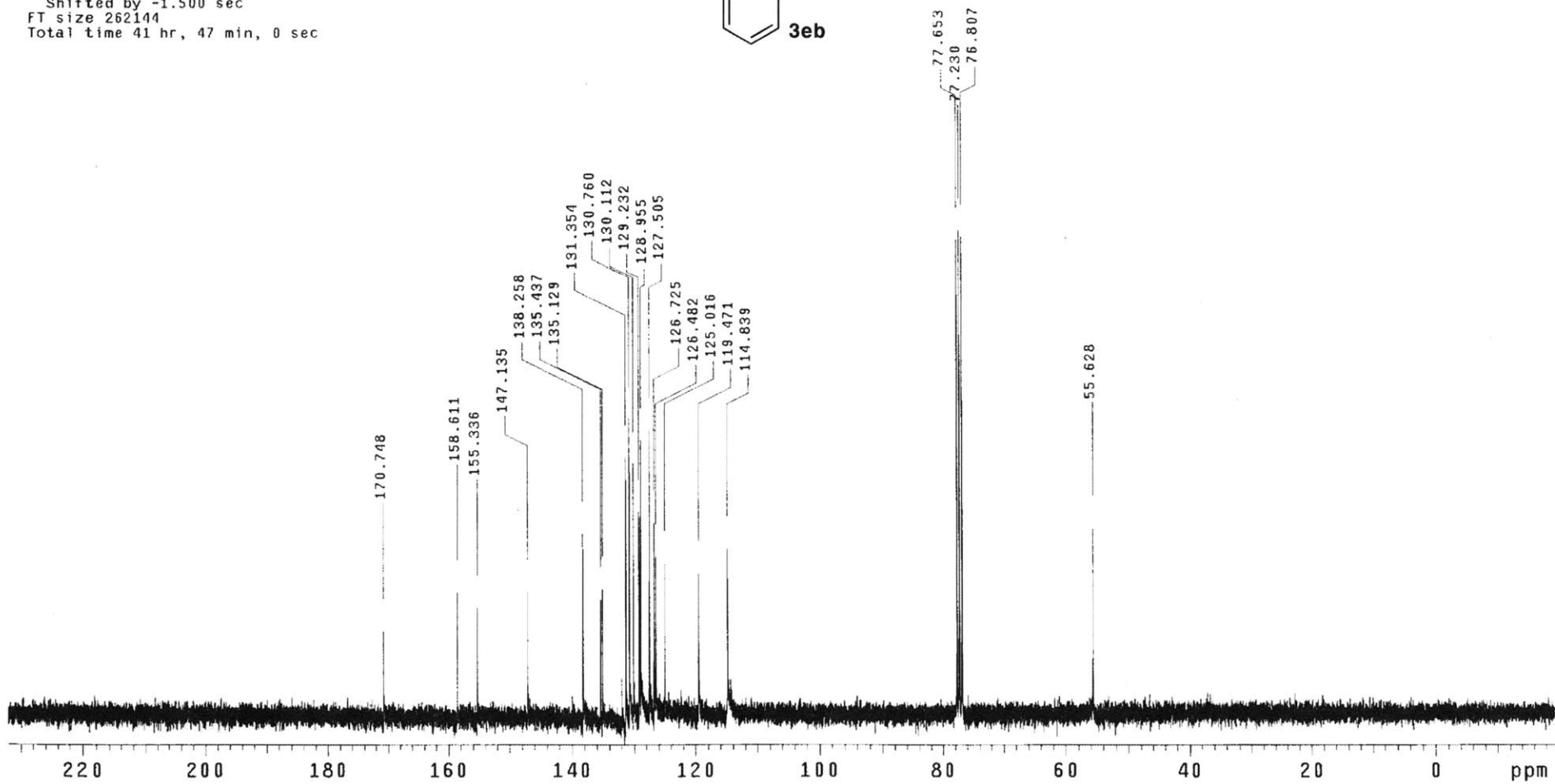
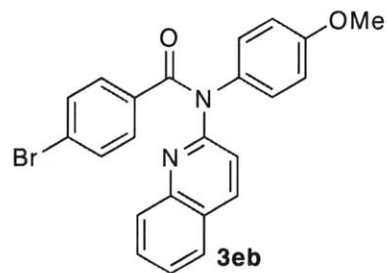


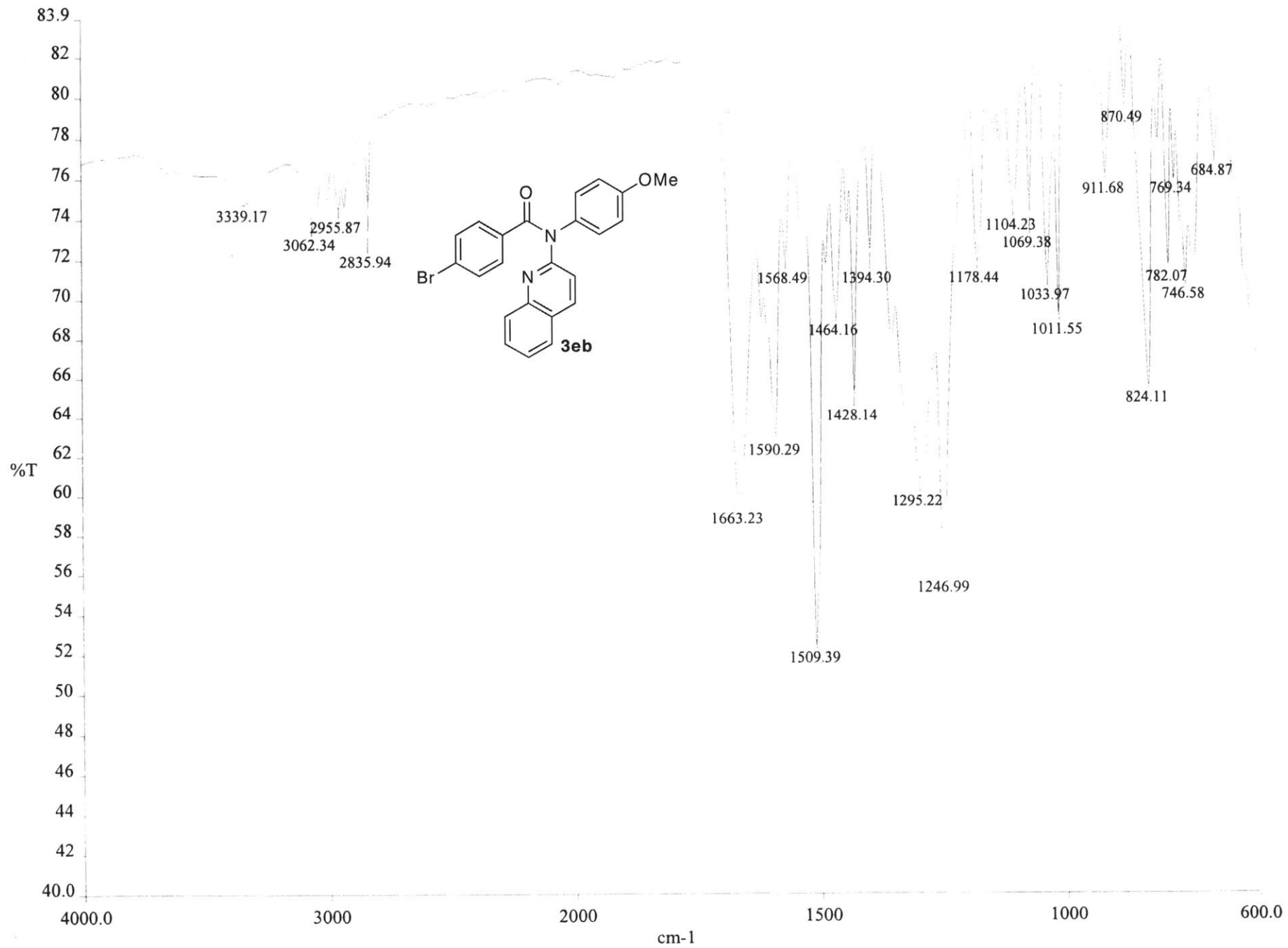
13C OBSERVE

Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: CDC13  
Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K  
Mercury-300 "mrhat"

Relax. delay 0.500 sec  
Pulse 46.2 degrees  
Acq. time 1.500 sec  
Width 22624.4 Hz  
1756 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 75.4615196 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 300.1067546 MHz  
Power 39 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Sq. sine bell 1.500 sec  
Shifted by -1.500 sec  
FT size 262144  
Total time 41 hr, 47 min, 0 sec





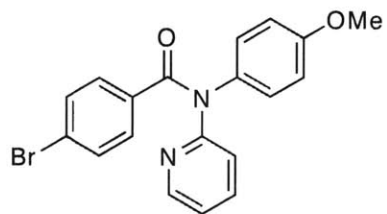
STANDARD 1H OBSERVE

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

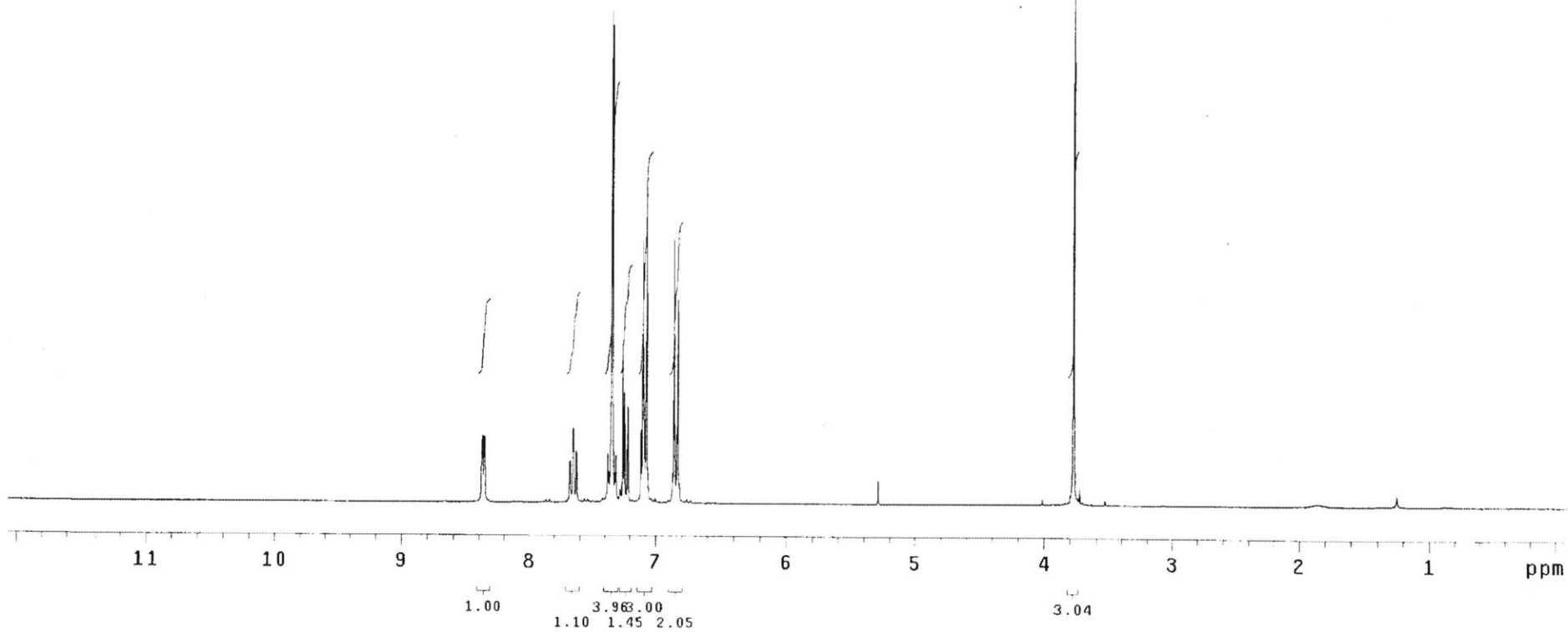
Solvent: CDCl3  
Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.050 sec  
Pulse 34.3 degrees  
Acq. time 4.003 sec  
Width 6002.4 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 300.1052821 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 131072  
Total time 1 min, 4 sec



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STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

INDVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.763 sec

Pulse 69.0 degrees

Acq. time 1.736 sec

Width 37735.8 Hz

512 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 125.7822136 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz

Power 37 dB

continuously on

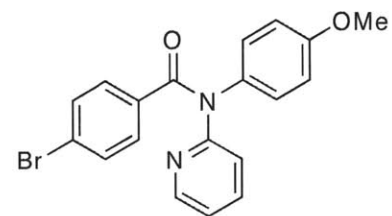
WALTZ-16 modulated

DATA PROCESSING

Line broadening 0.3 Hz

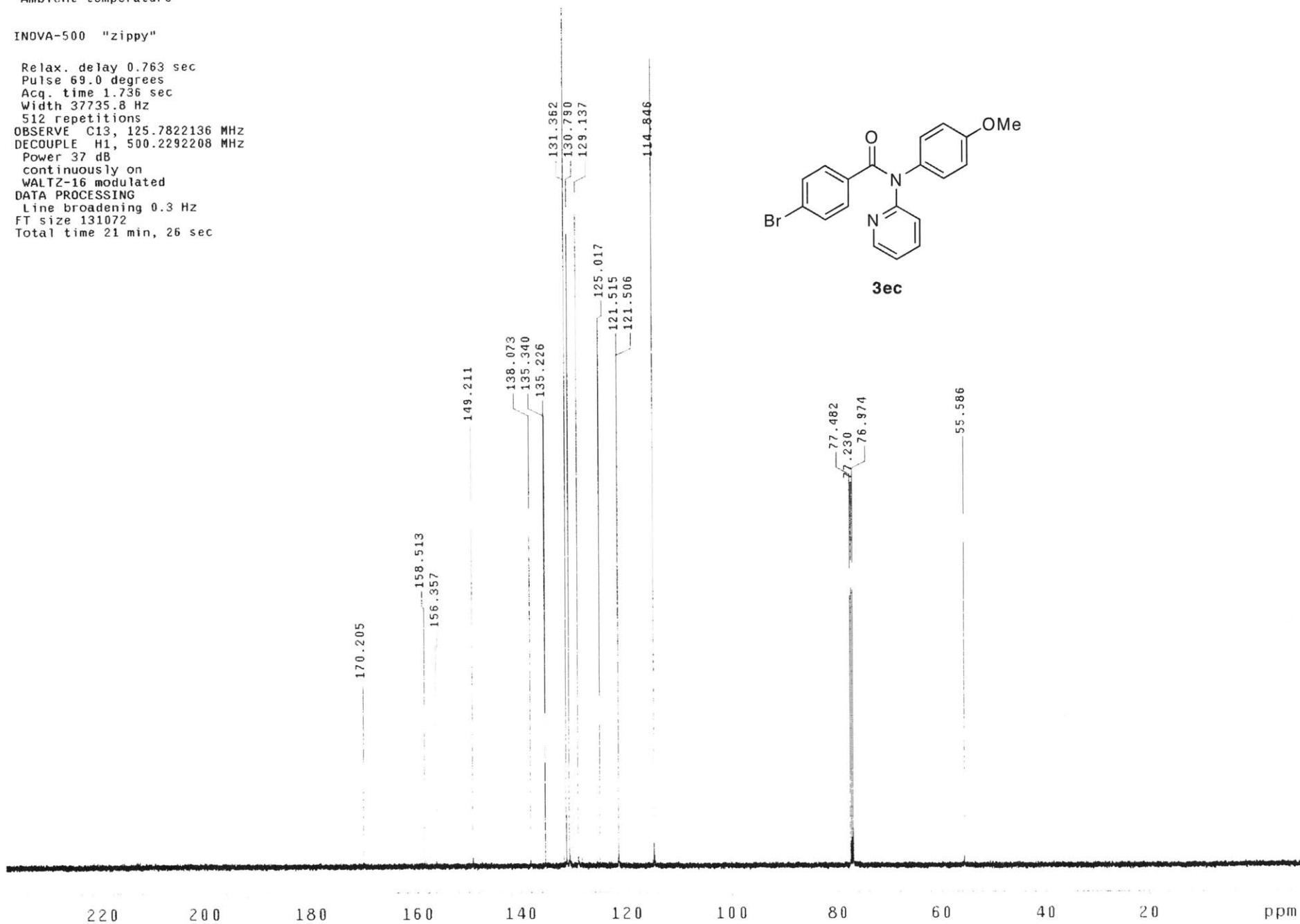
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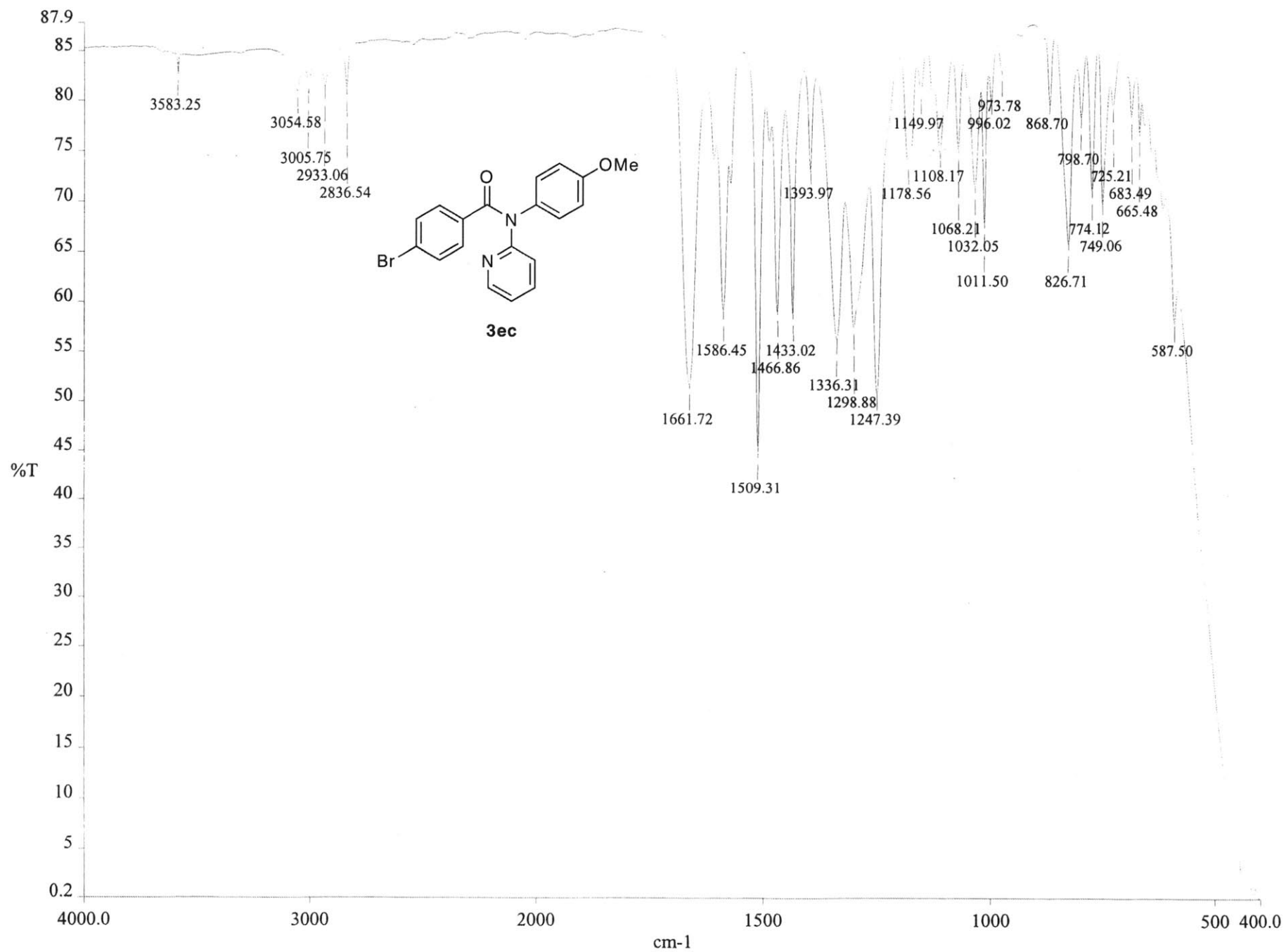
Total time 21 min, 26 sec



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STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 2.000 sec

Pulse 94.4 degrees

Acq. time 3.001 sec

Width 10504.2 Hz

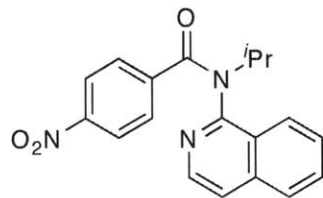
16 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 499.7417185 MHz

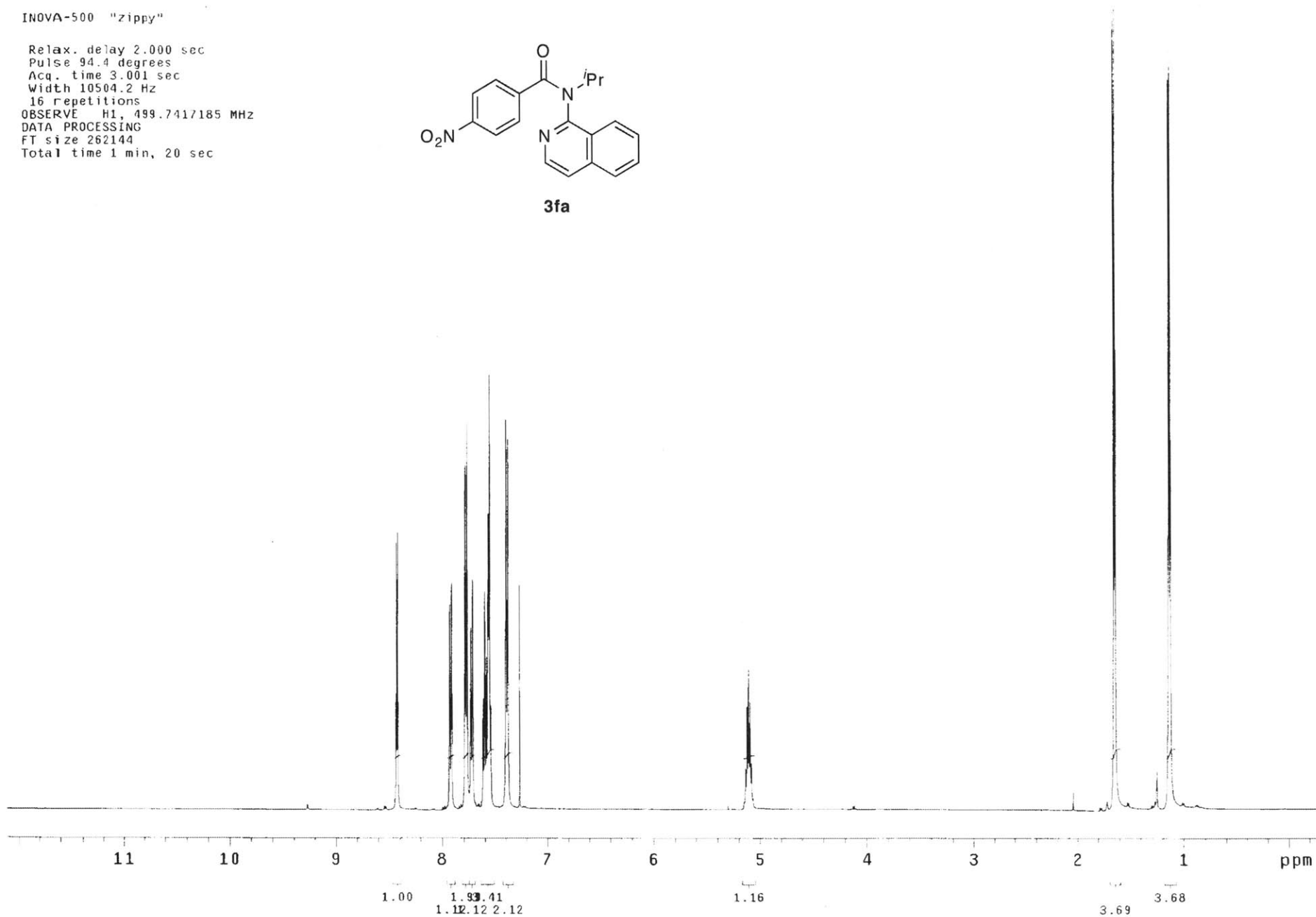
DATA PROCESSING

FT size 262144

Total time 1 min, 20 sec



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STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.763 sec

Pulse 69.0 degrees

Acq. time 1.736 sec

Width 37735.8 Hz

256 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 125.7822113 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz

Power 37 dB

continuously on

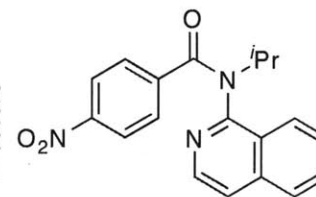
WALTZ-16 modulated

DATA PROCESSING

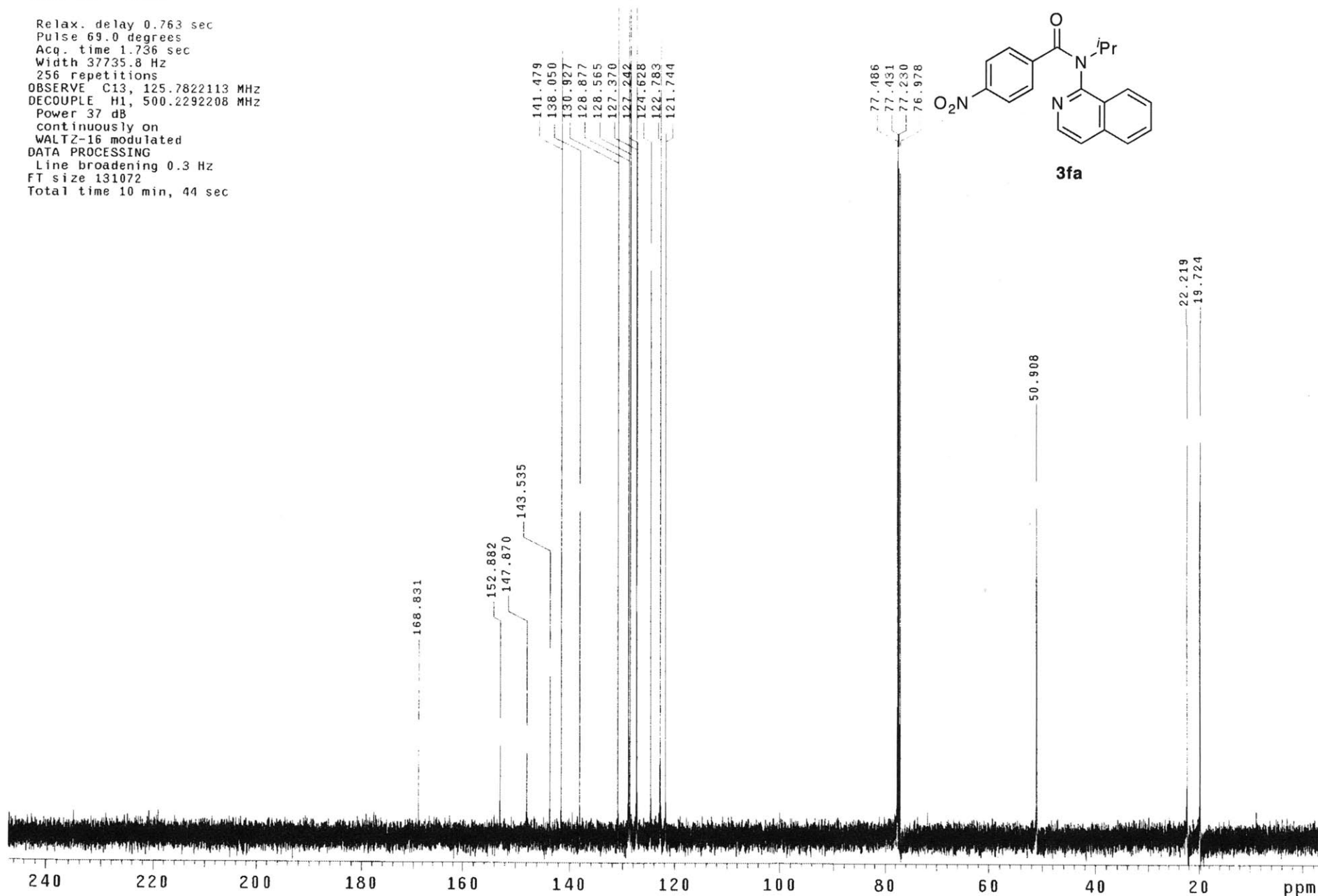
Line broadening 0.3 Hz

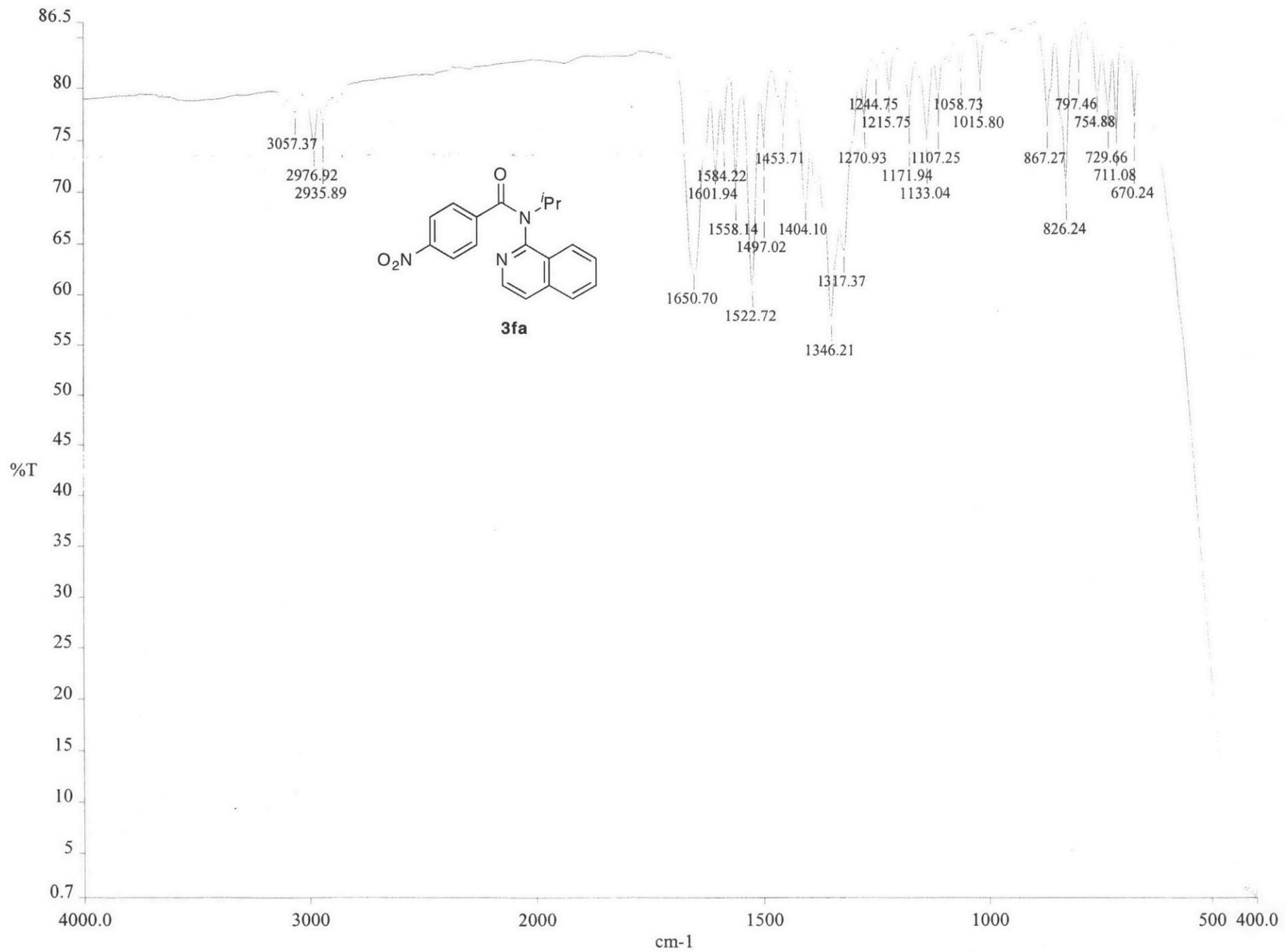
FT size 131072

Total time 10 min, 44 sec



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STANDARD 1H OBSERVE

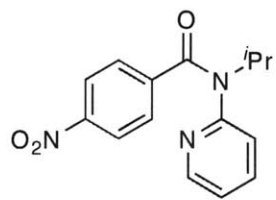
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3  
Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

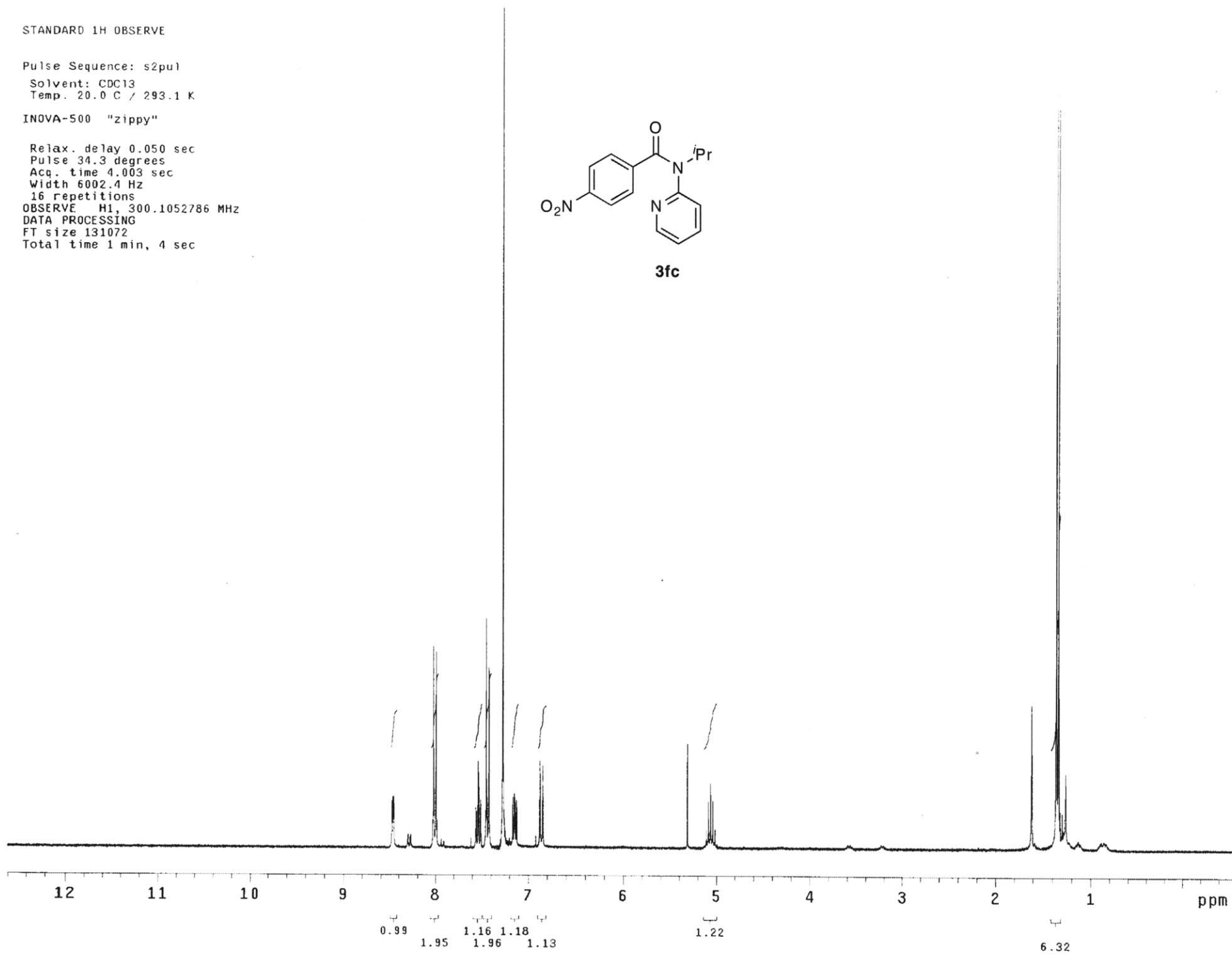
INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.050 sec  
Pulse 34.3 degrees  
Acq. time 4.003 sec  
Width 6002.4 Hz  
16 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 300.1052786 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 131072  
Total time 1 min, 4 sec



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STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

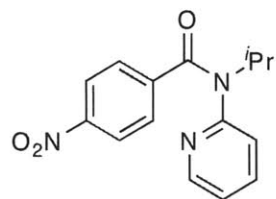
Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: CDCl3

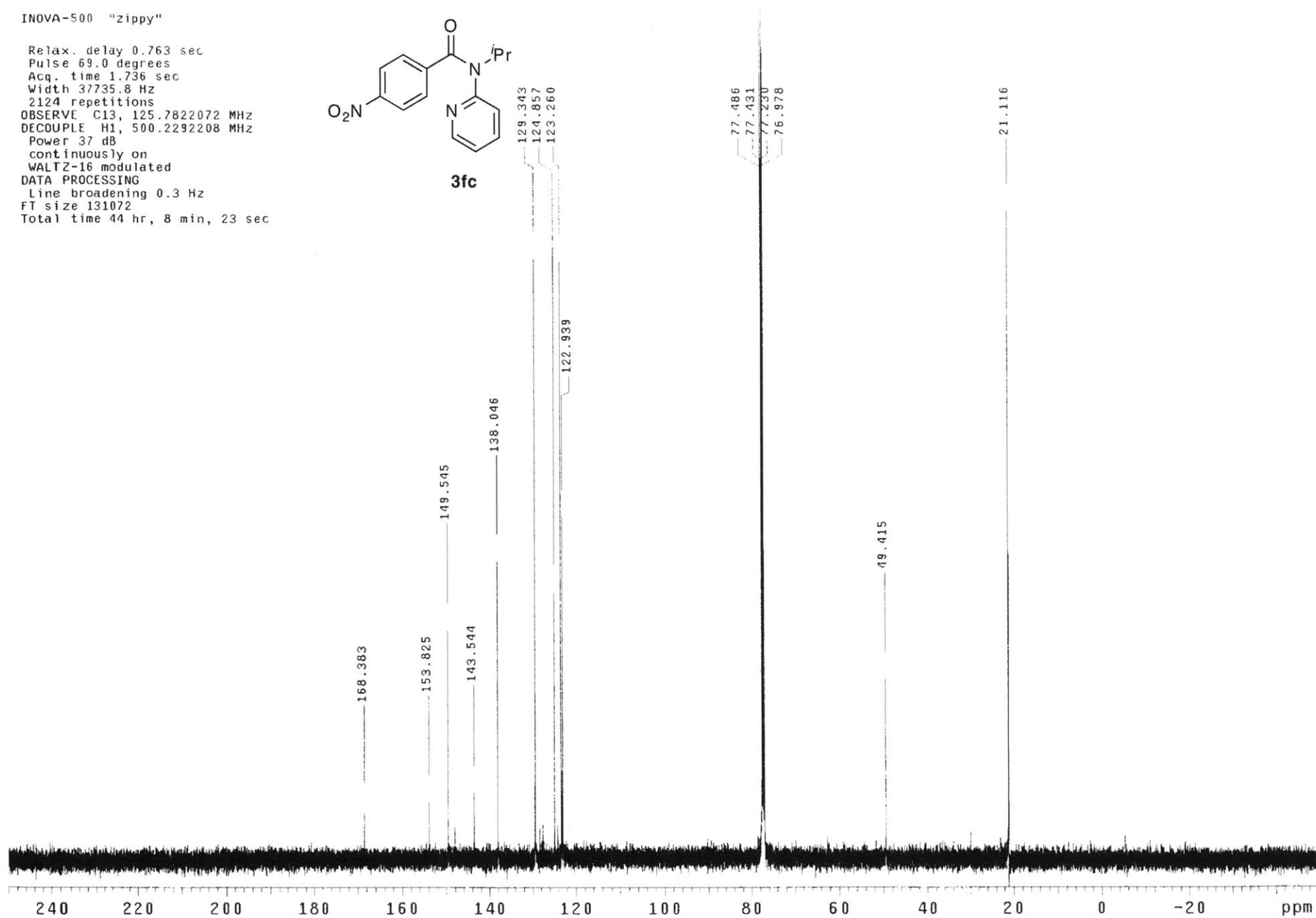
Ambient temperature

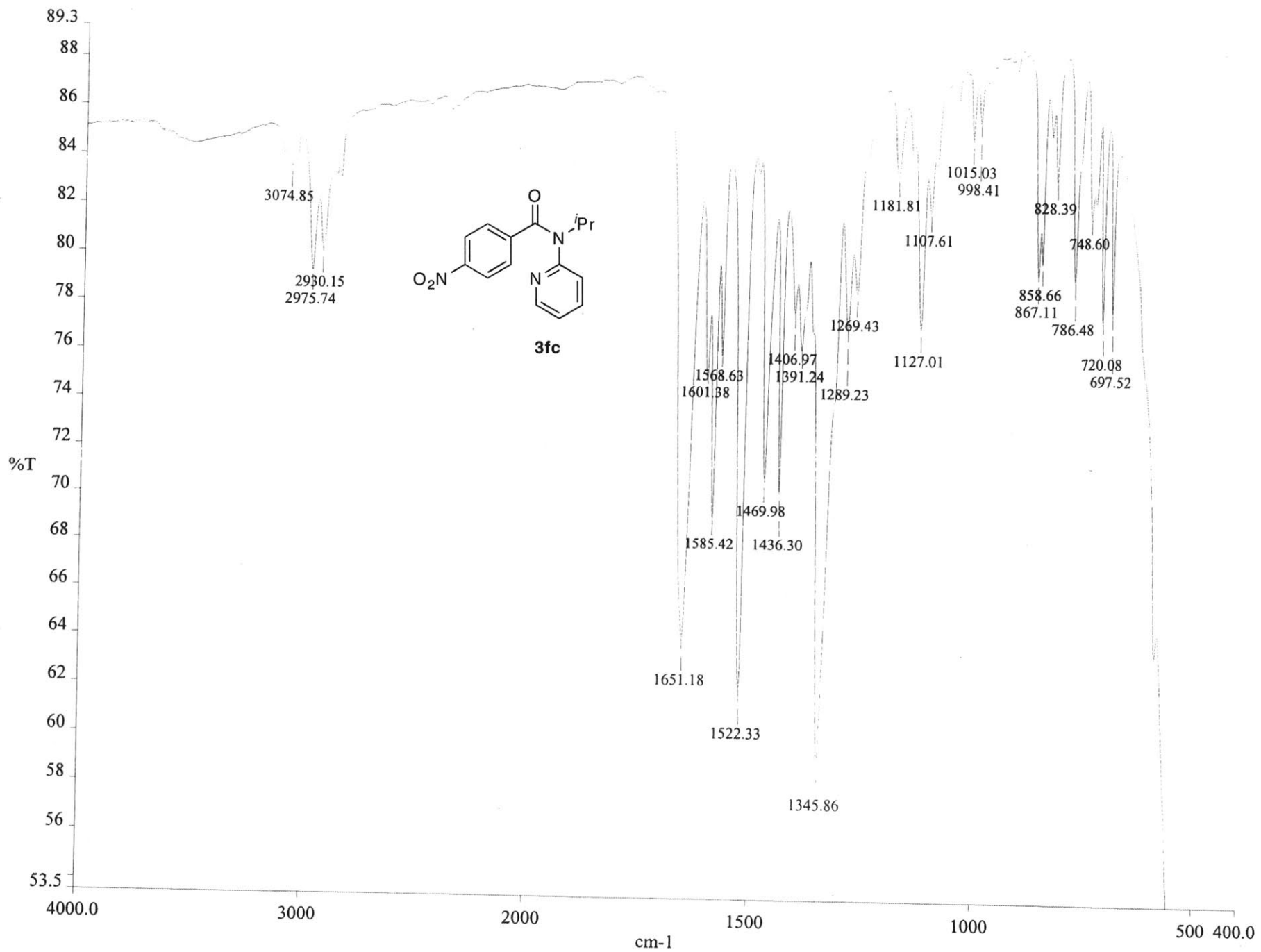
INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.0 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
2124 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822072 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072  
Total time 44 hr, 8 min, 23 sec



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STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

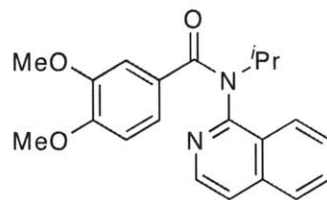
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

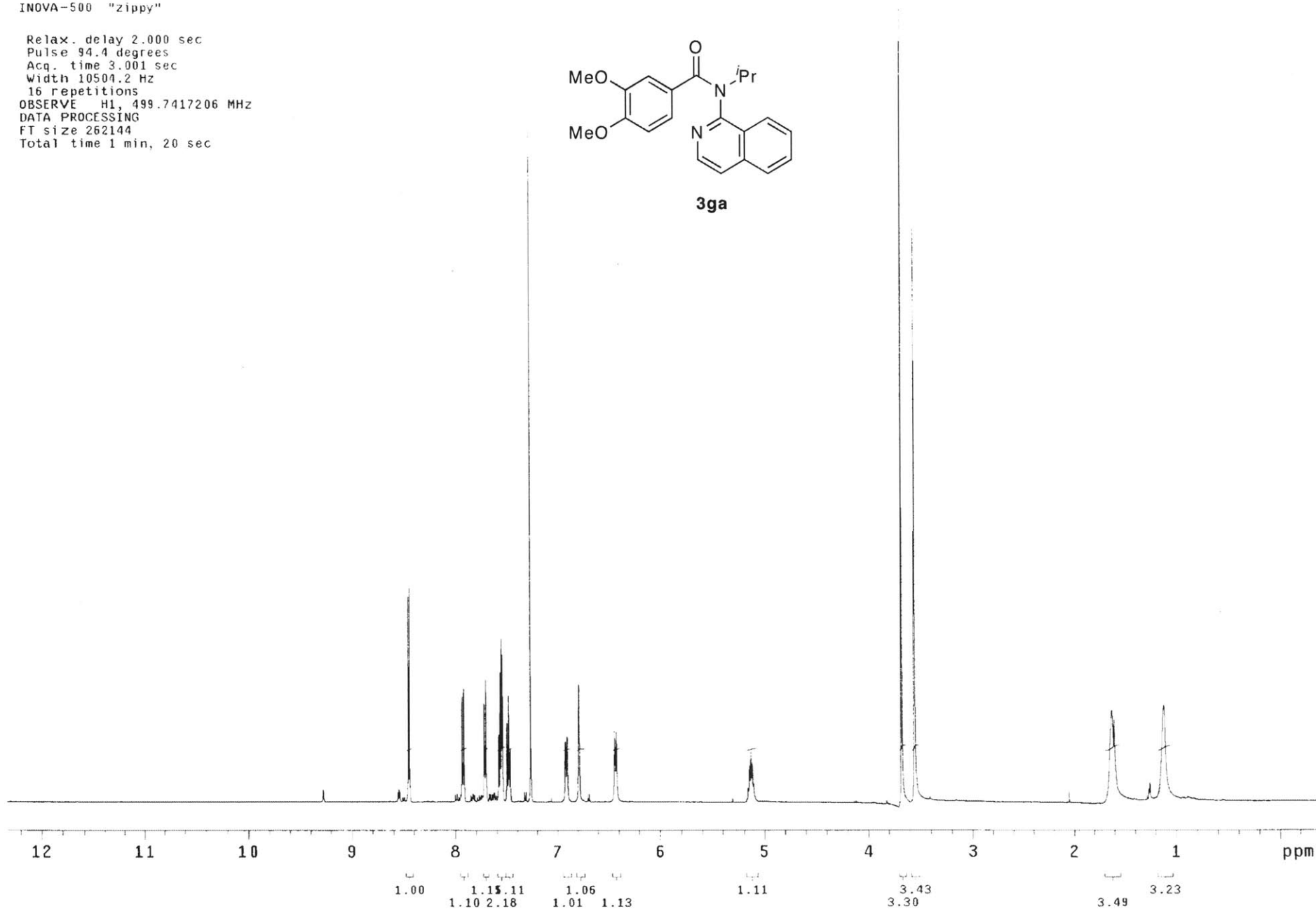
Ambient temperature

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 2.000 sec  
Pulse 94.4 degrees  
Acq. time 3.001 sec  
Width 10504.2 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 499.7417206 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144  
Total time 1 min, 20 sec



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STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: CDC13

Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.763 sec

Pulse 69.0 degrees

Acq. time 1.736 sec

Width 37735.8 Hz

4719 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 125.7822078 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz

Power 37 dB

continuously on

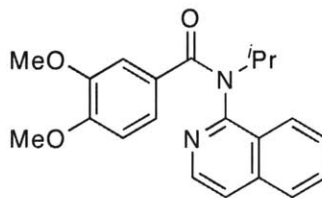
WALTZ-16 modulated

DATA PROCESSING

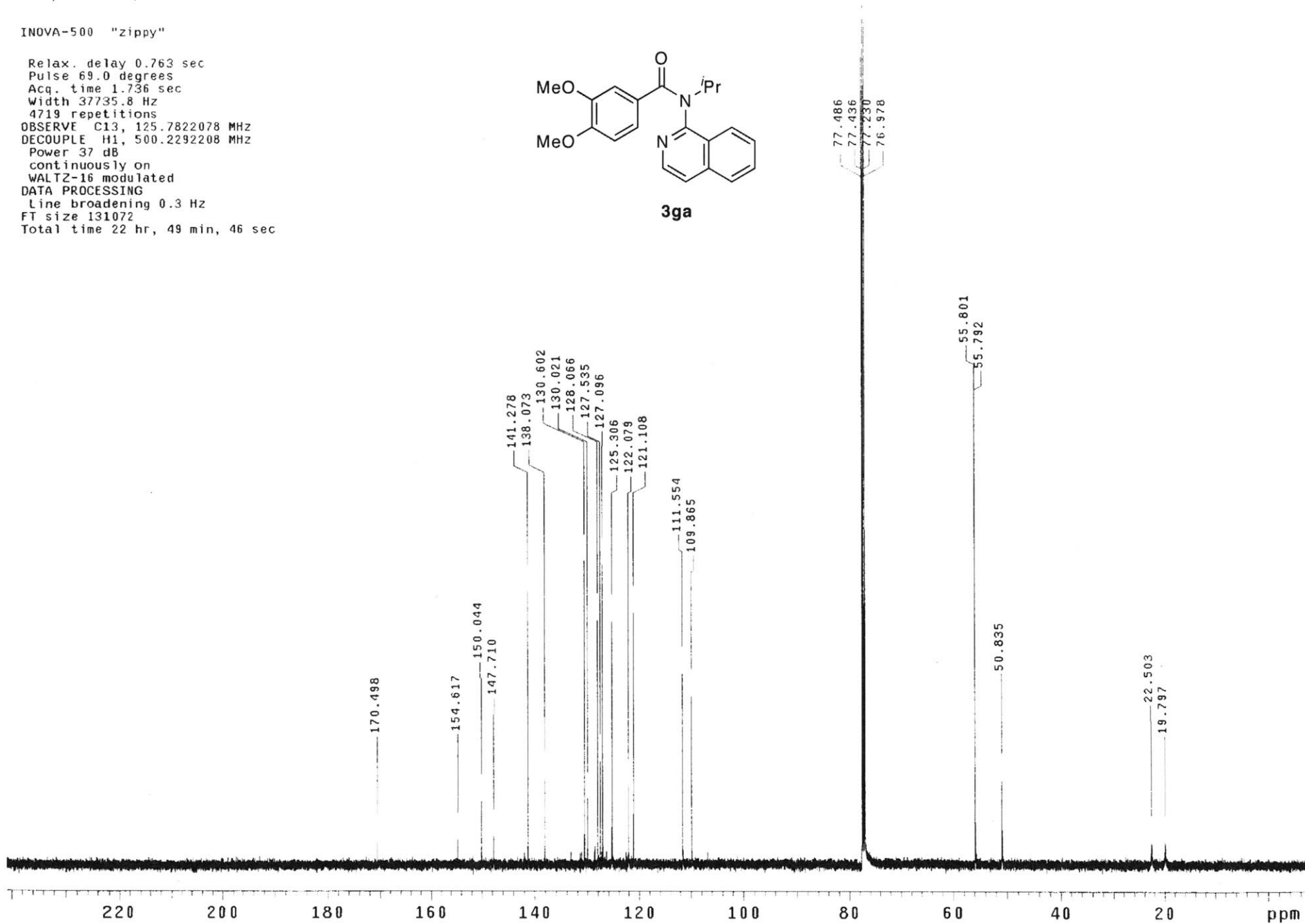
Line broadening 0.3 Hz

FT size 131072

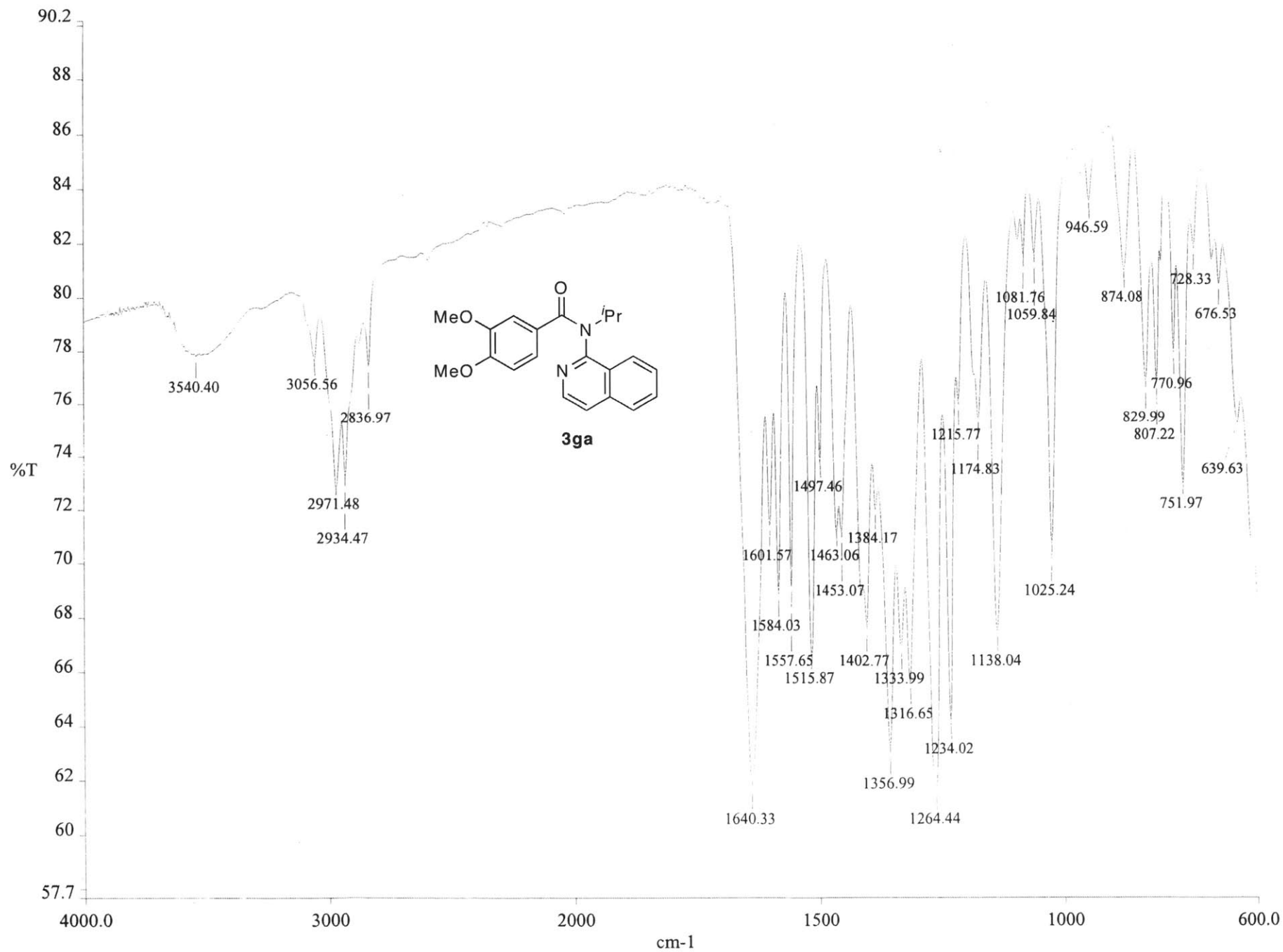
Total time 22 hr, 49 min, 46 sec



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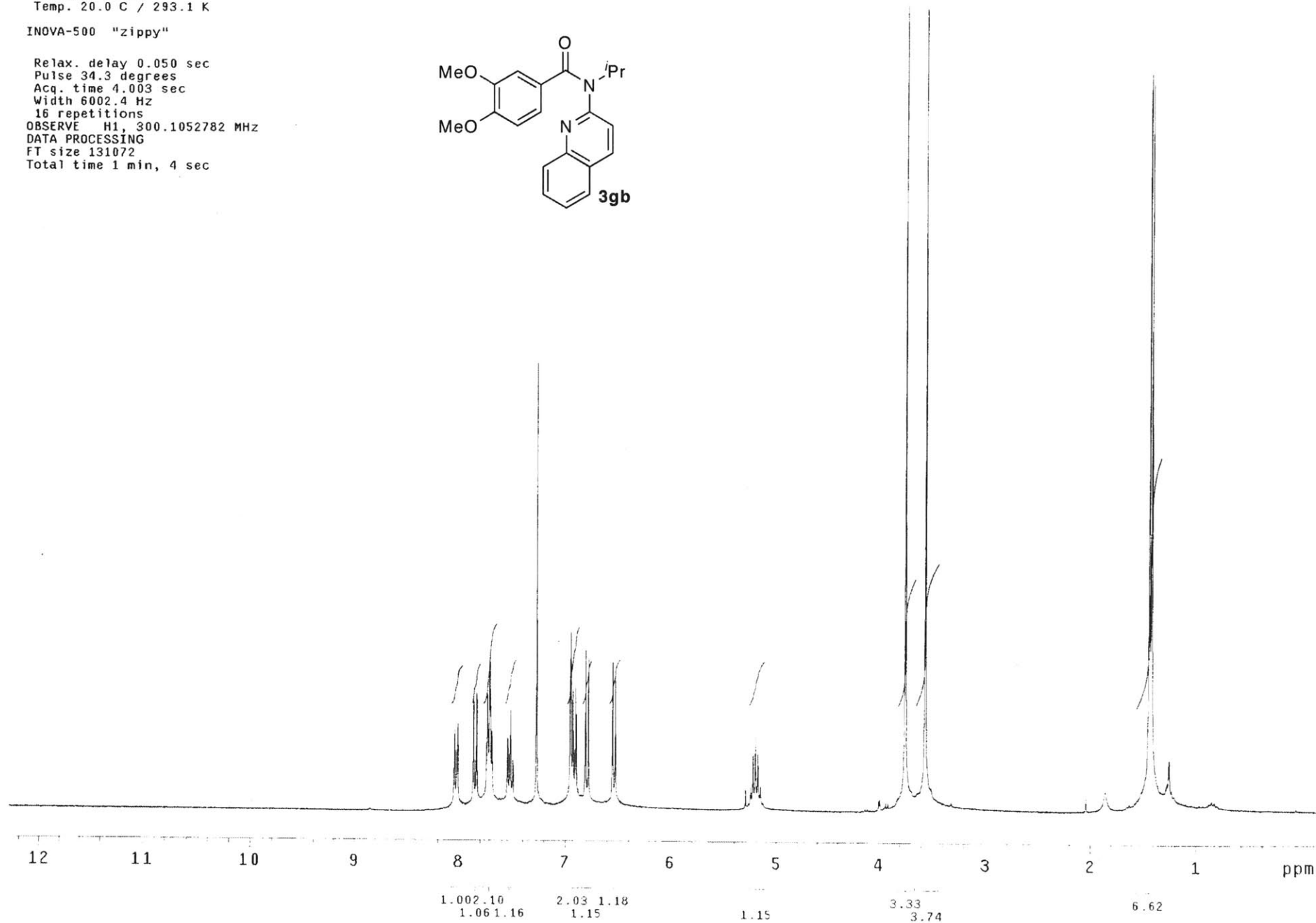
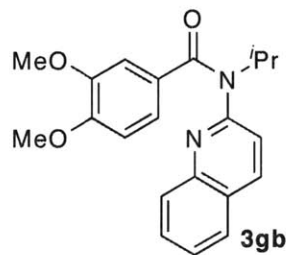


STANDARD 1H OBSERVE

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1  
Solvent: CDC13  
Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.050 sec  
Pulse 34.3 degrees  
Acq. time 4.003 sec  
Width 6002.4 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 300.1052782 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 131072  
Total time 1 min, 4 sec



STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

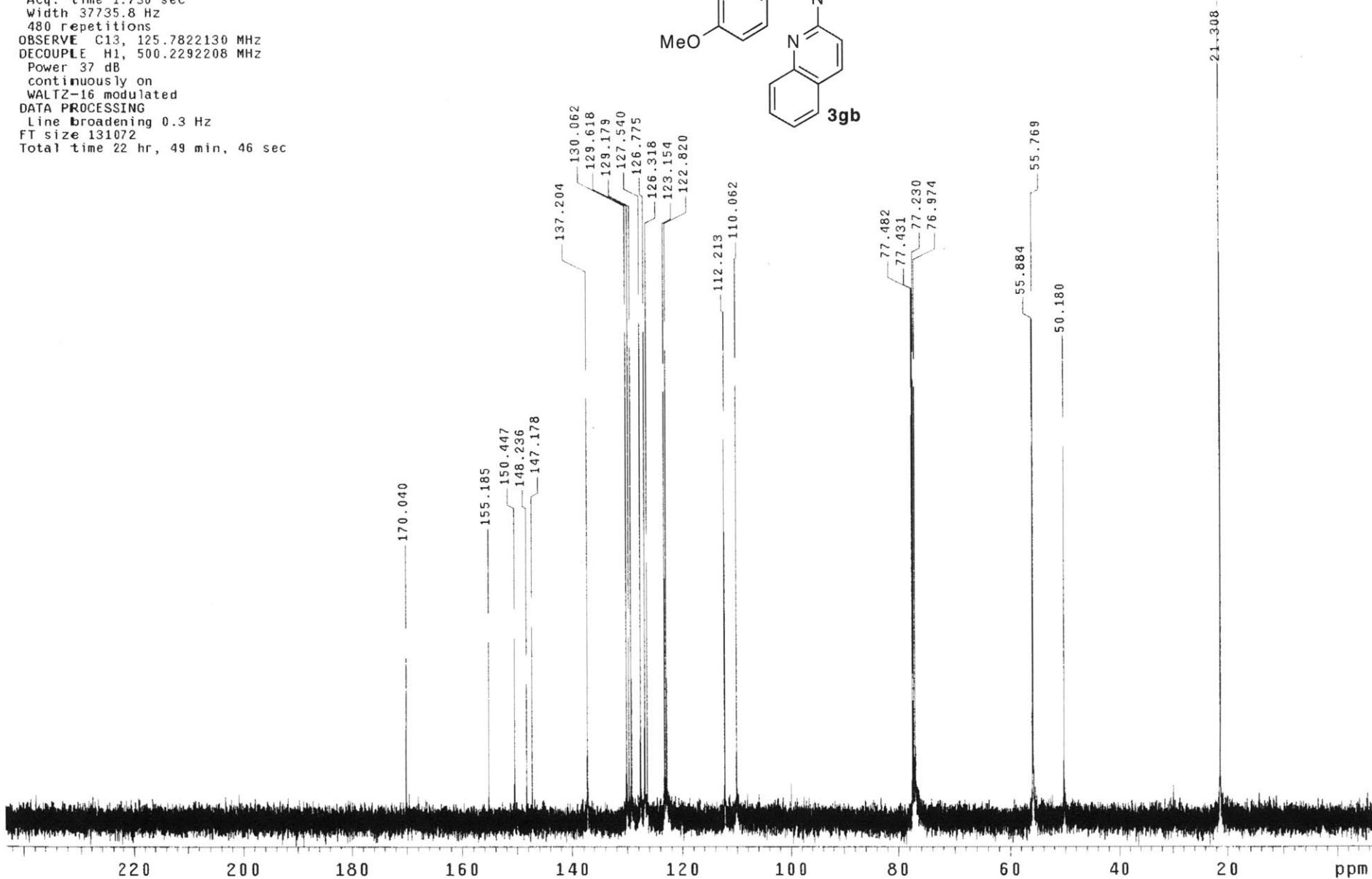
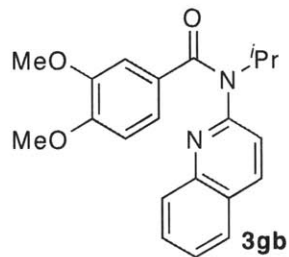
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

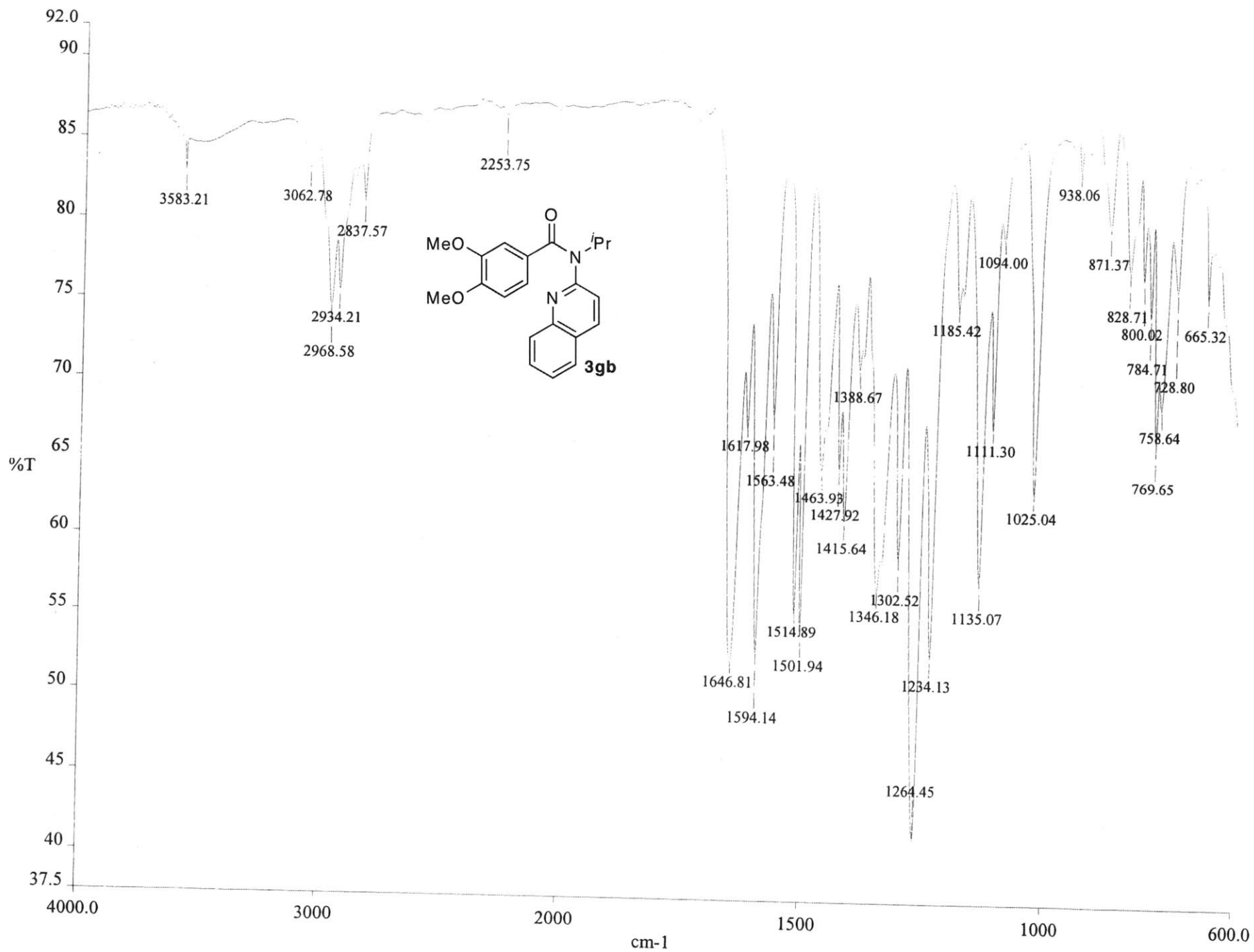
Solvent: CDCl<sub>3</sub>

Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
 Pulse 69.0 degrees  
 Acq. time 1.736 sec  
 Width 37735.8 Hz  
 480 repetitions  
 OBSERVE C13, 125.7822130 MHz  
 DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
 Power 37 dB  
 continuously on  
 WALTZ-16 modulated  
 DATA PROCESSING  
 Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
 FT size 131072  
 Total time 22 hr, 49 min, 46 sec





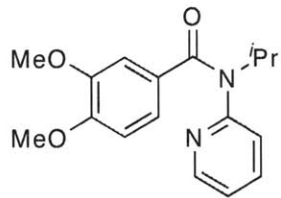
STANDARD 1H OBSERVE

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

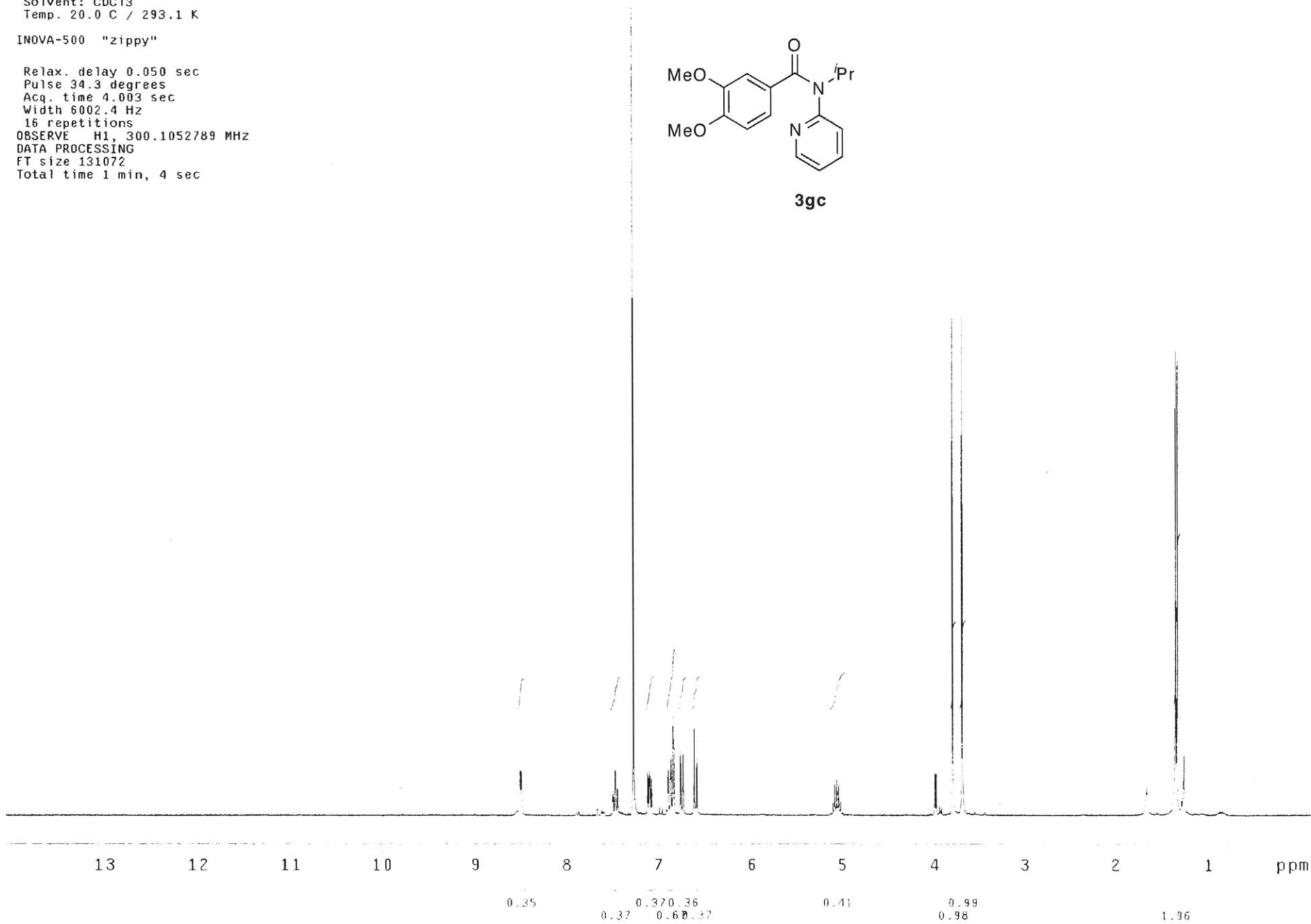
Solvent: CDCl3  
Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.050 sec  
Pulse 34.3 degrees  
Acq. time 4.003 sec  
Width 6002.4 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 300.1052789 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 131072  
Total time 1 min, 4 sec



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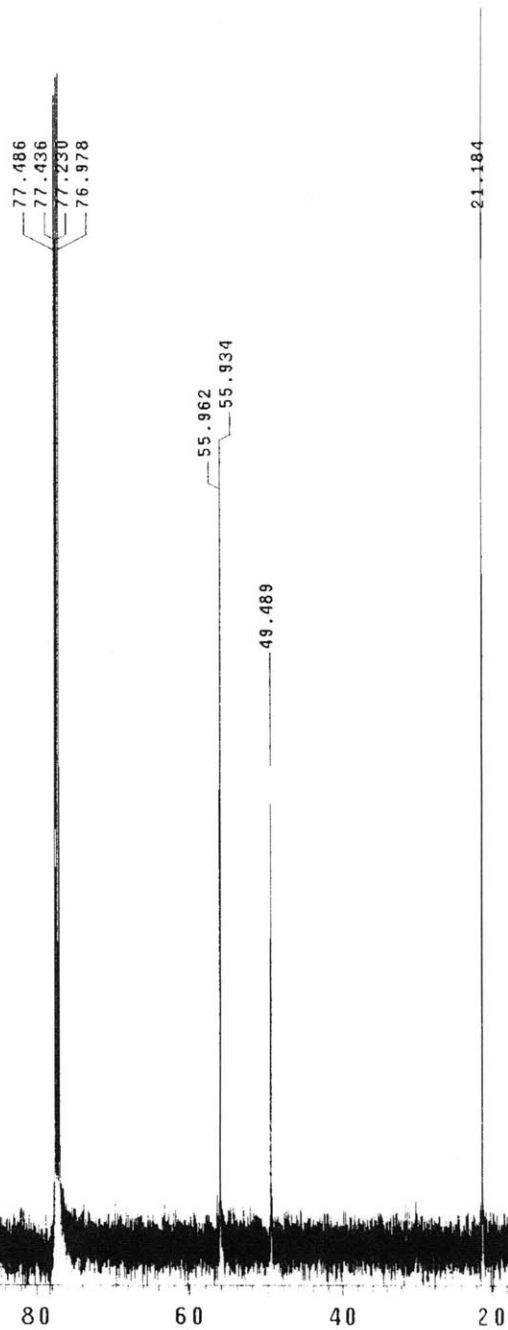
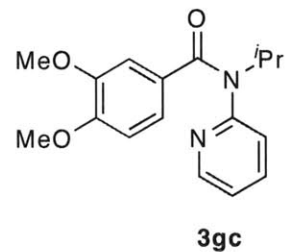


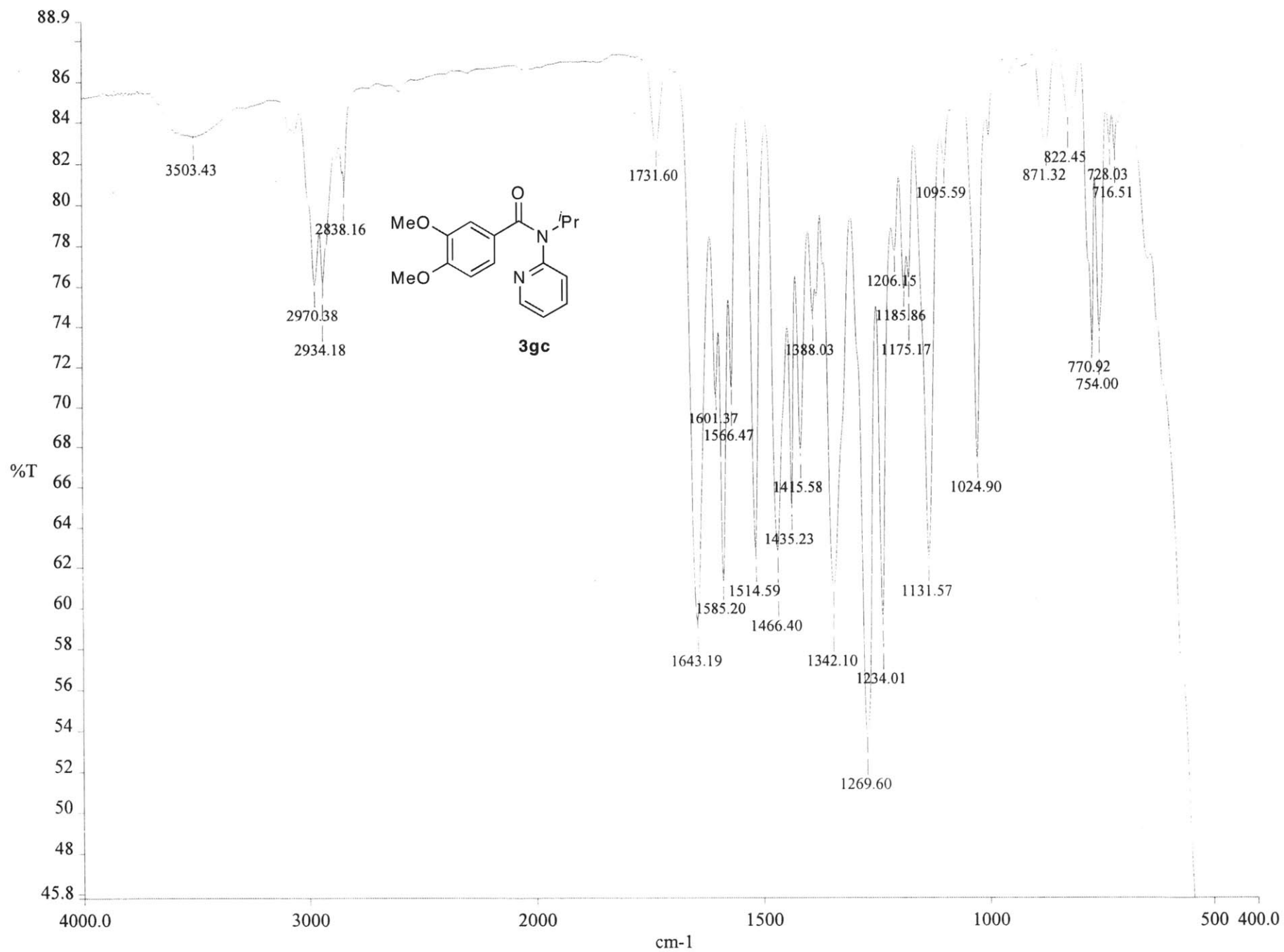
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pul  
Solvent: CDC13  
Ambient temperature

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.0 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
644 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822084 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072  
Total time 45 hr, 39 min, 31 sec





STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: DMSO

Temp. 100.0 C / 373.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Pulse 79.0 degrees

Acq. time 3.200 sec

Width 10000.0 Hz

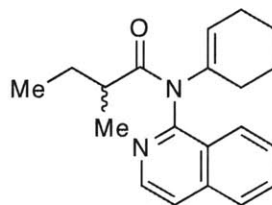
16 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 500.2295896 MHz

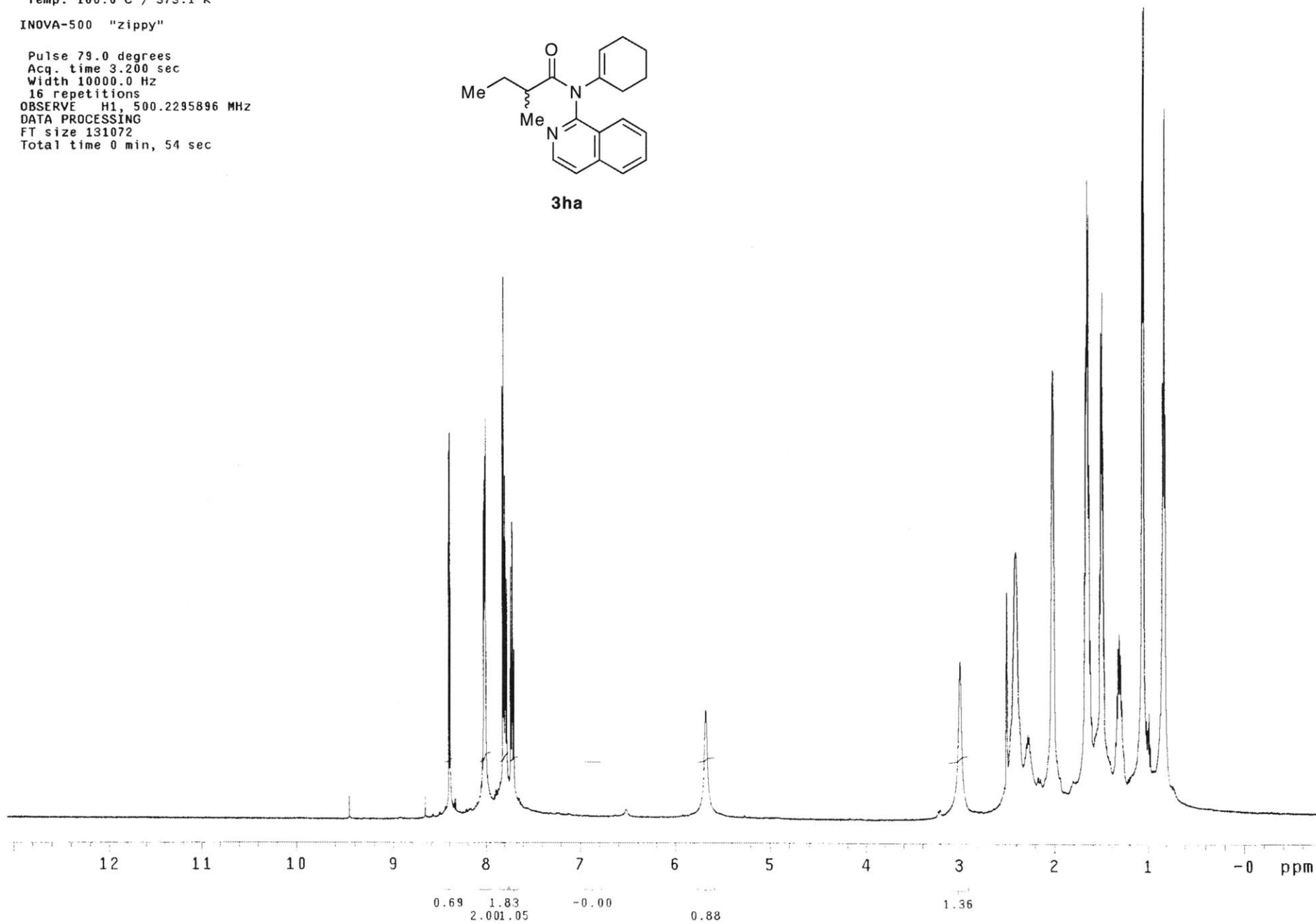
DATA PROCESSING

FT size 131072

Total time 0 min, 54 sec



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STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: DMSO

Temp. 100.0 C / 373.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.763 sec

Pulse 69.0 degrees

Acq. time 1.736 sec

Width 37735.8 Hz

1272 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 125.7829550 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 500.2315969 MHz

Power 37 dB

continuously on

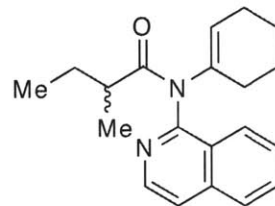
WALTZ-16 modulated

DATA PROCESSING

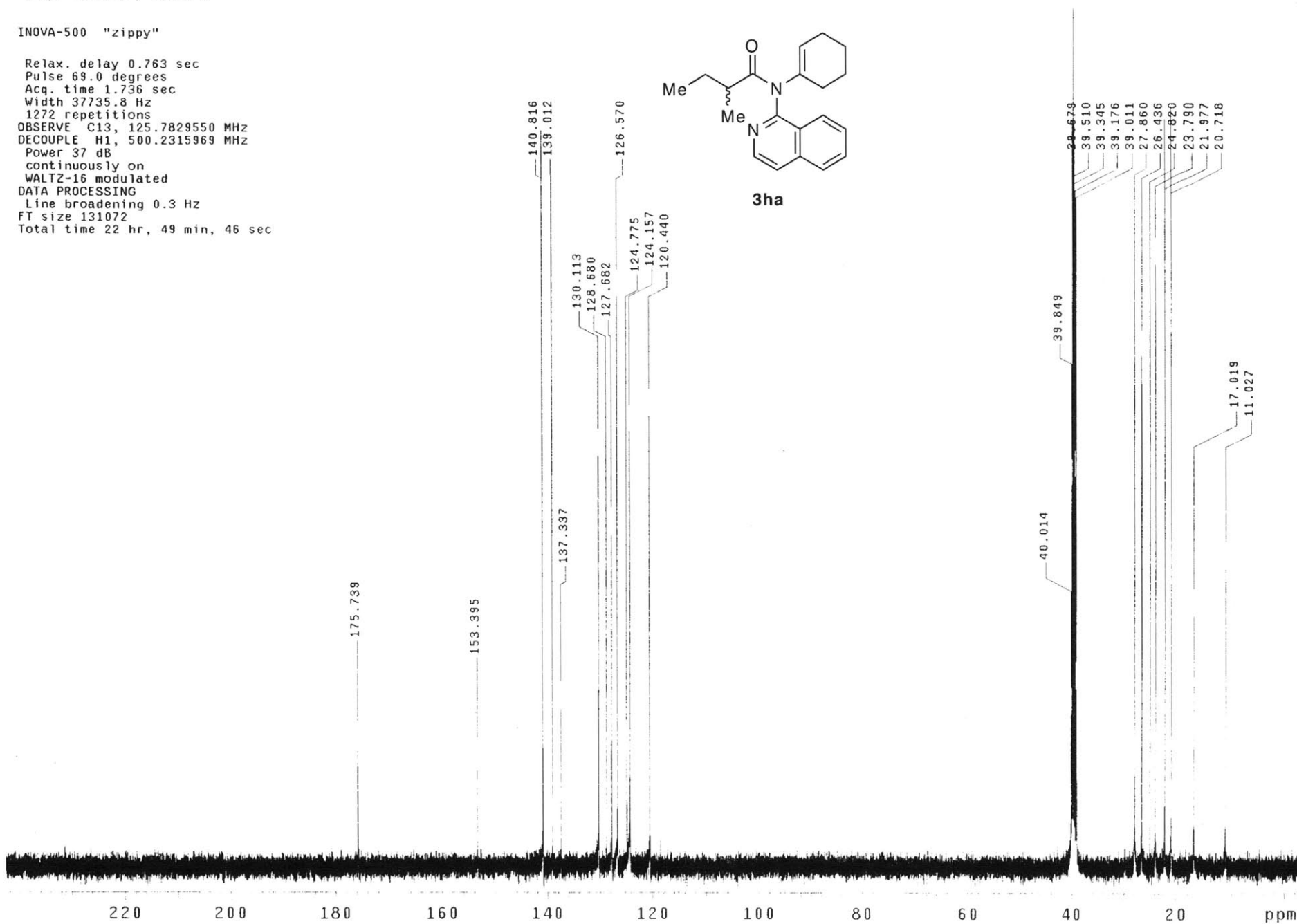
Line broadening 0.3 Hz

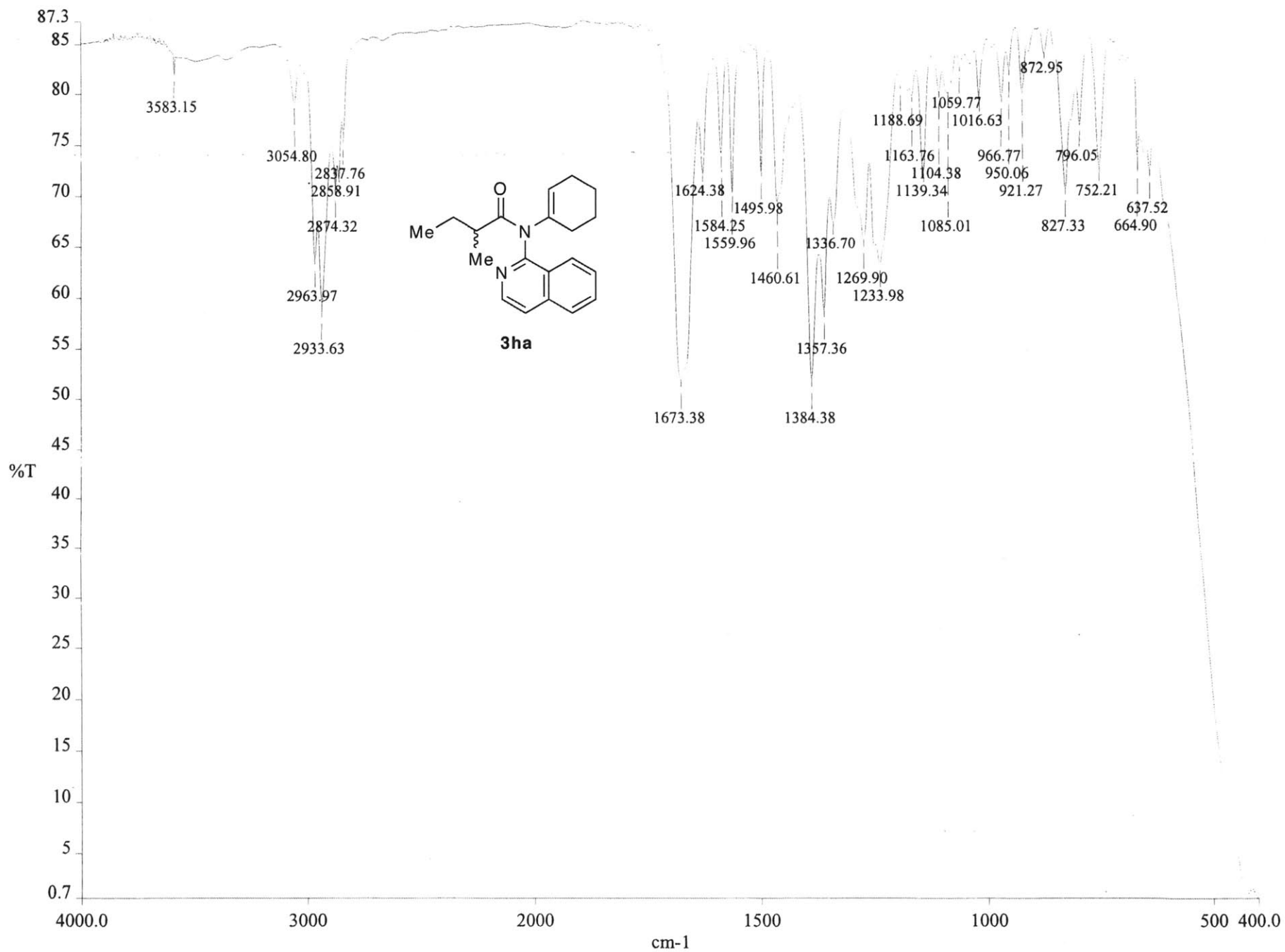
FT size 131072

Total time 22 hr, 49 min, 46 sec



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STANDARD 1H OBSERVE

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3

Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.050 sec

Pulse 34.3 degrees

Acq. time 4.003 sec

Width 6002.4 Hz

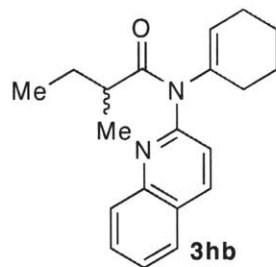
16 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 300.1052790 MHz

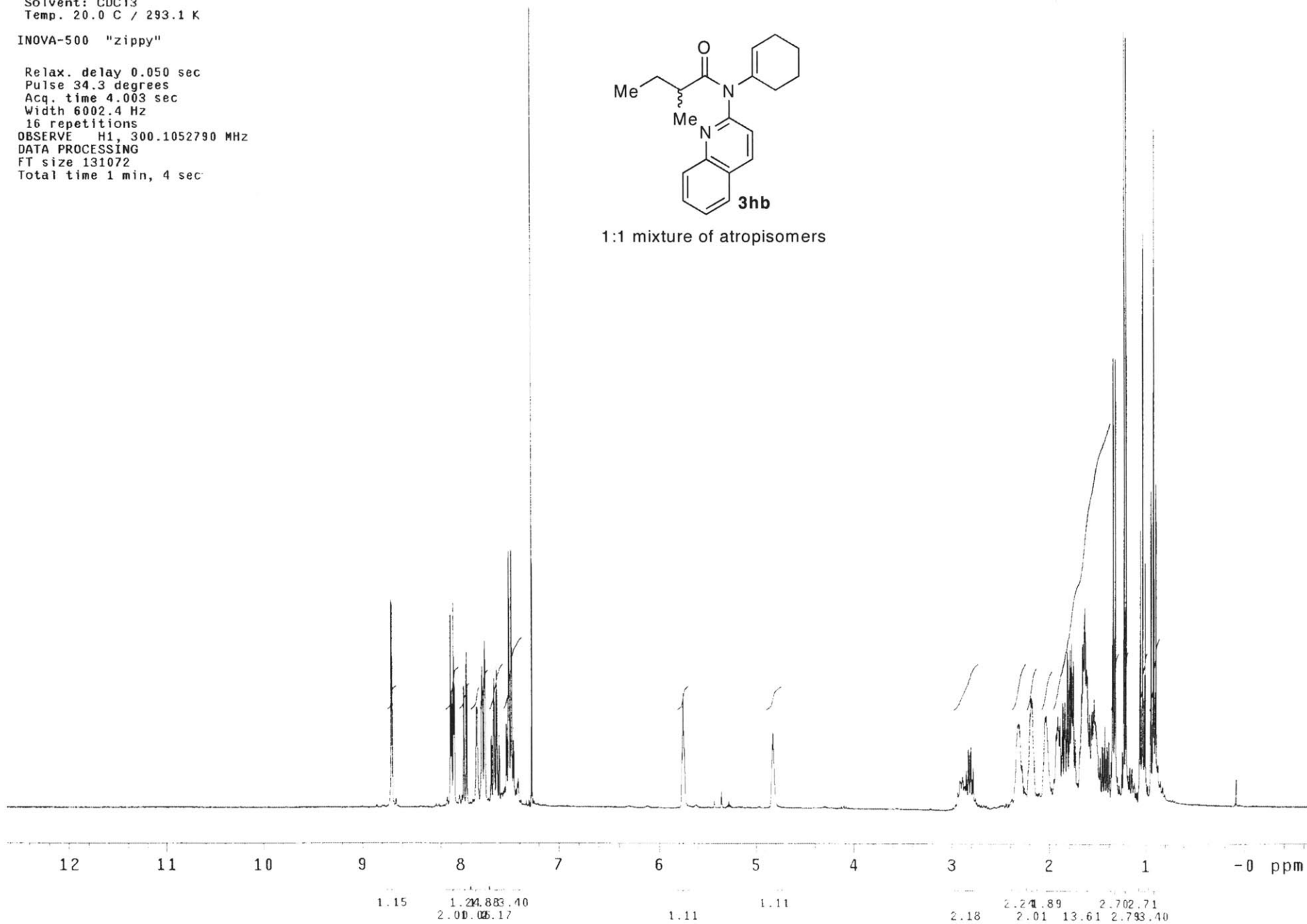
DATA PROCESSING

FT size 131072

Total time 1 min, 4 sec



1:1 mixture of atropisomers





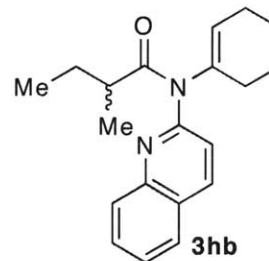
13C OBSERVE

Pulse Sequence: s2pul

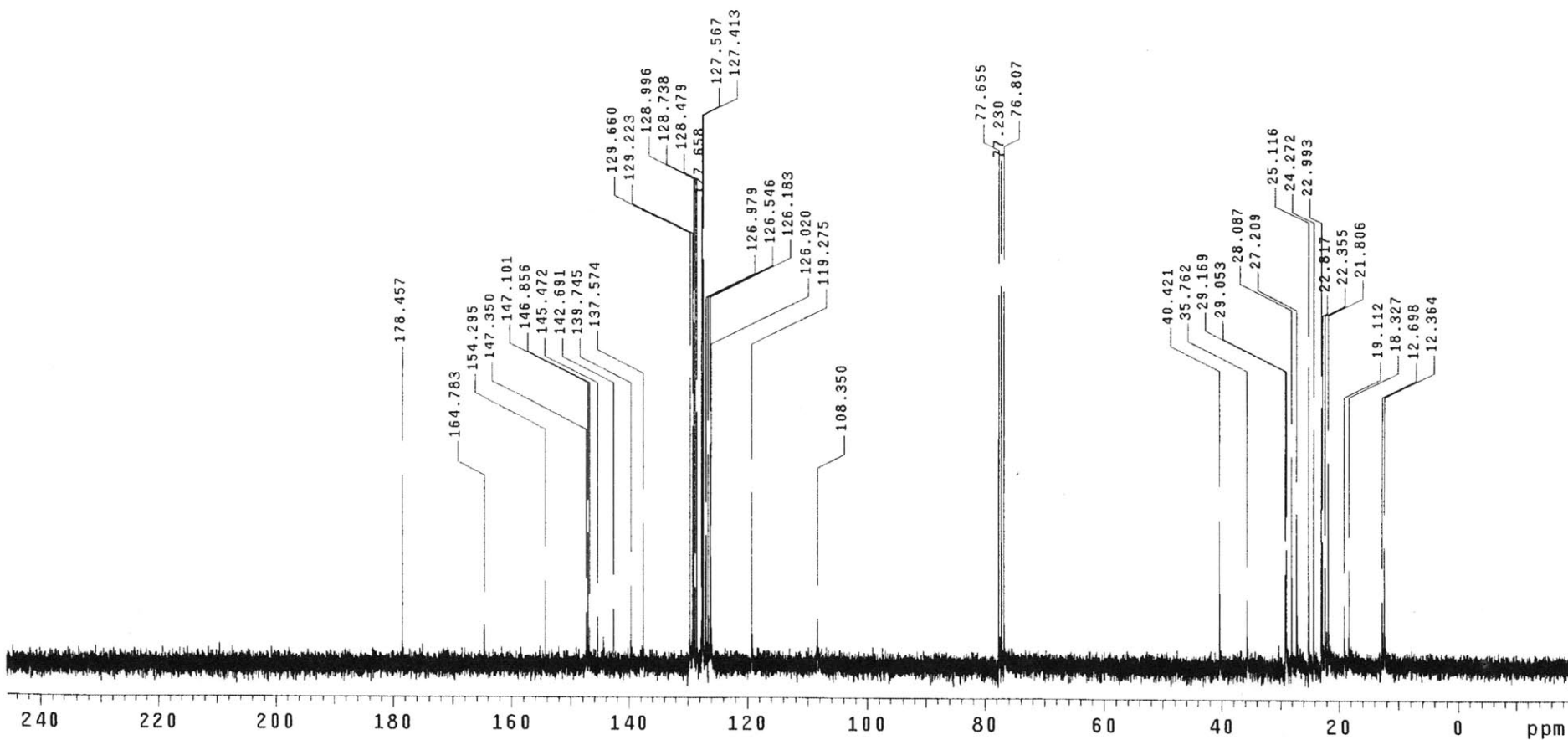
Solvent: CDCl3  
Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

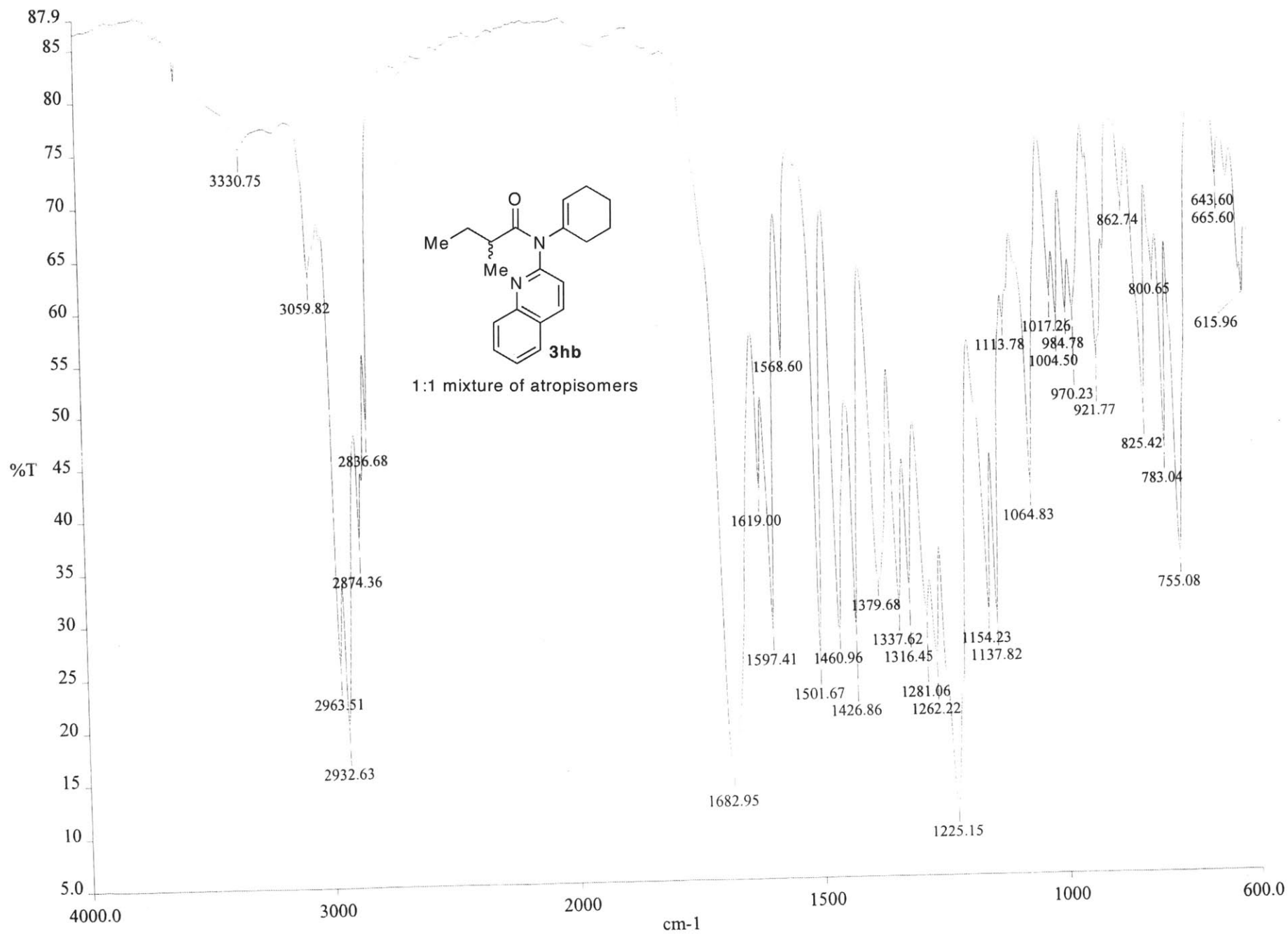
INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.500 sec  
Pulse 46.2 degrees  
Acq. time 1.500 sec  
Width 22624.4 Hz  
512 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 75.4615227 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 300.1067546 MHz  
Power 39 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Sq. sine bell 1.500 sec  
Shifted by -1.500 sec  
FT size 262144  
Total time 17 min, 8 sec



1:1 mixture of atropisomers





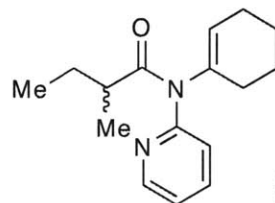
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pul

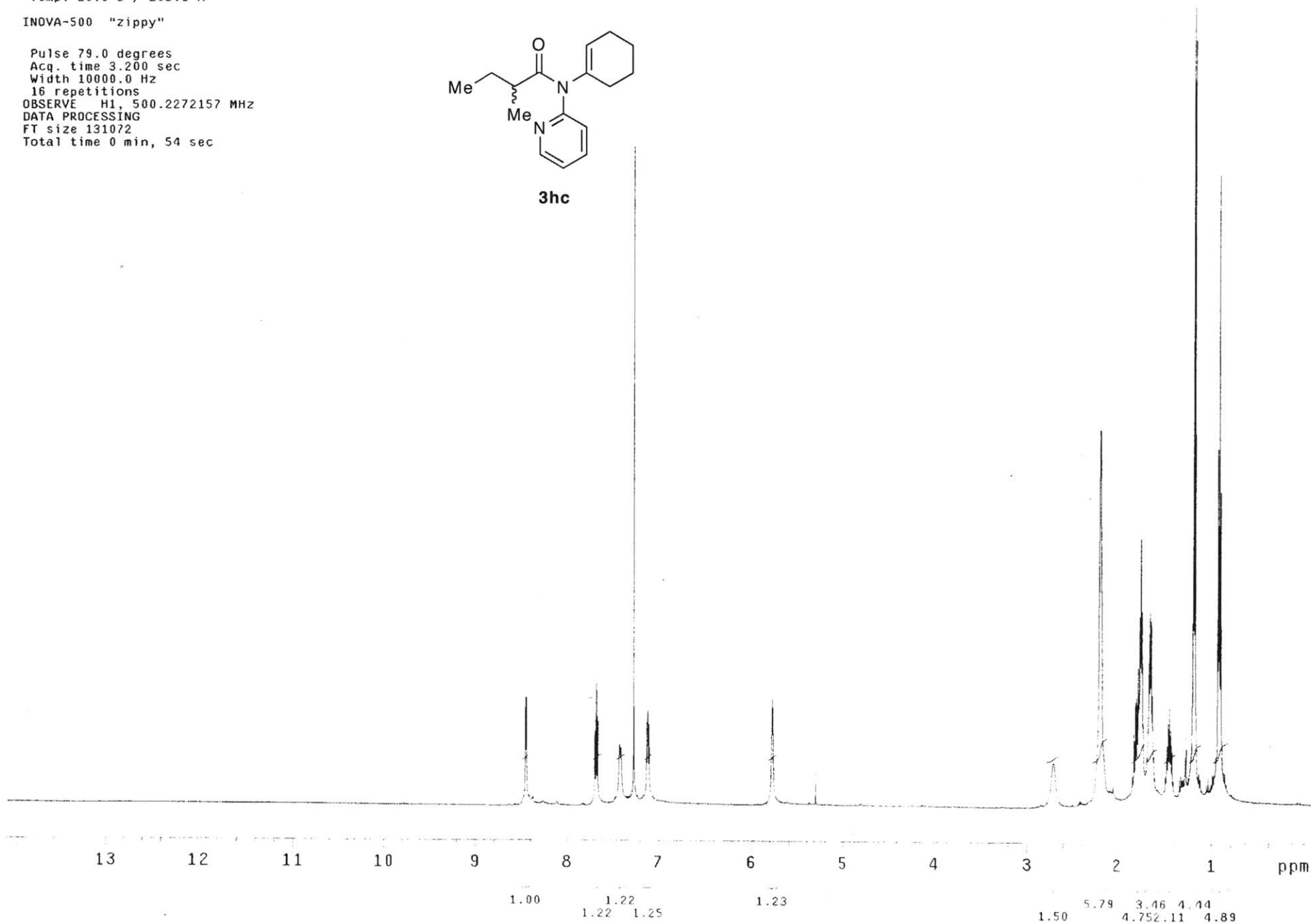
Solvent: CDC13  
Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Pulse 79.0 degrees  
Acq. time 3.200 sec  
Width 10000.0 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.2272157 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 131072  
Total time 0 min, 54 sec



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STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

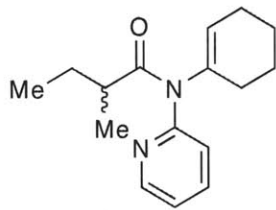
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3

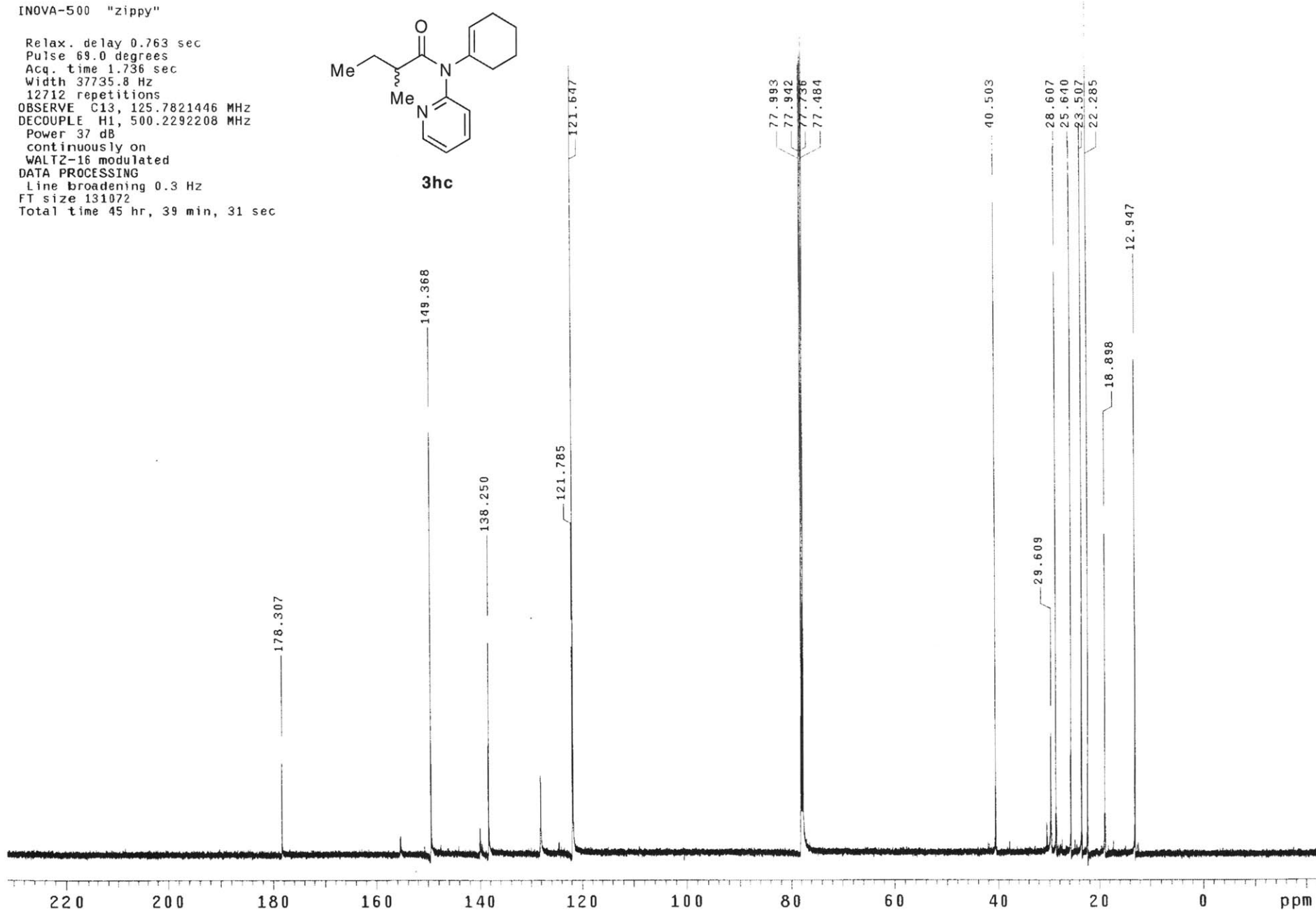
Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

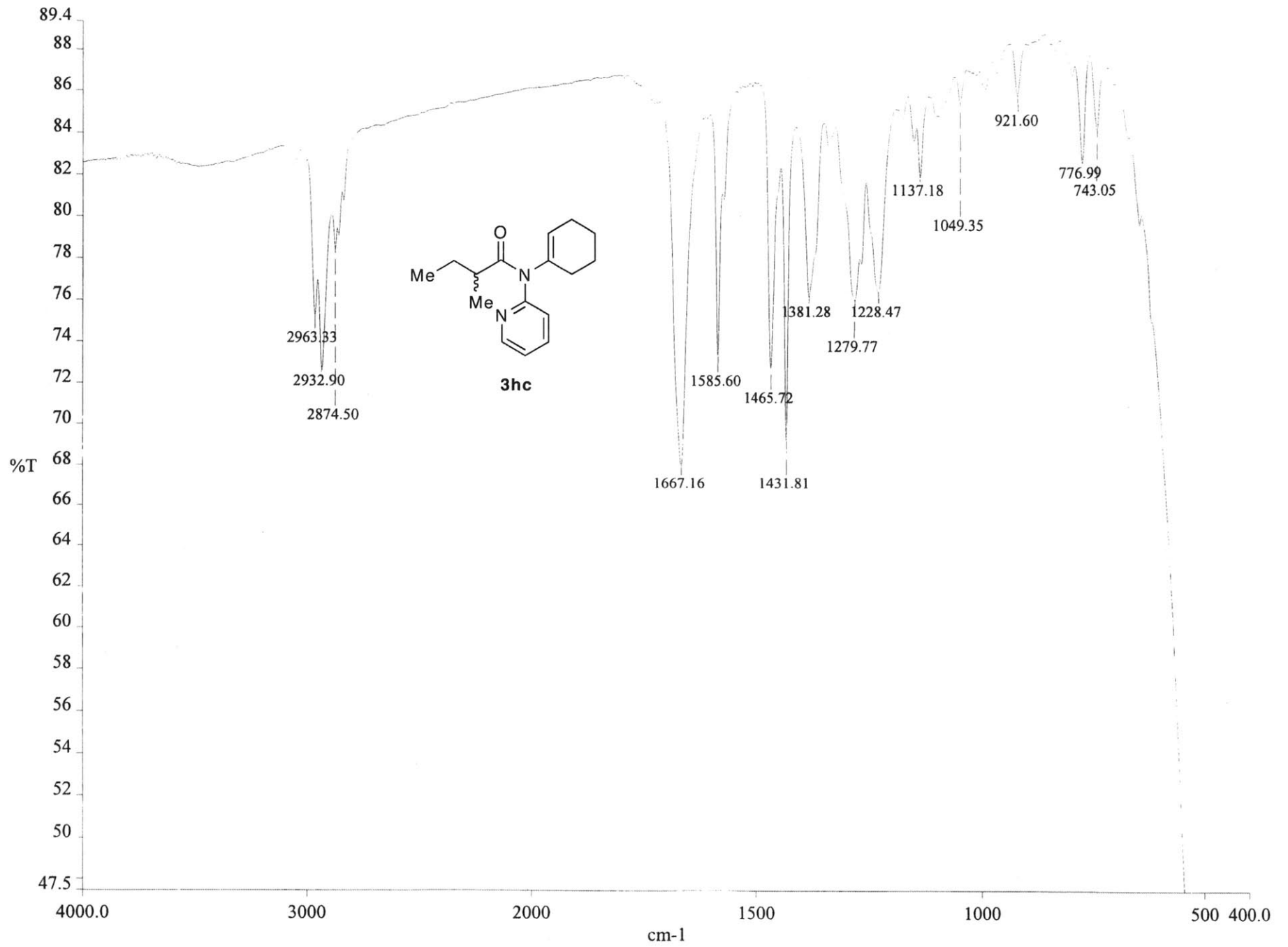
INOVA-500 "zippy"

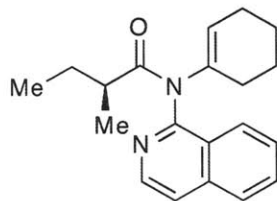
Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.0 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
12712 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7821446 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072  
Total time 45 hr, 39 min, 31 sec



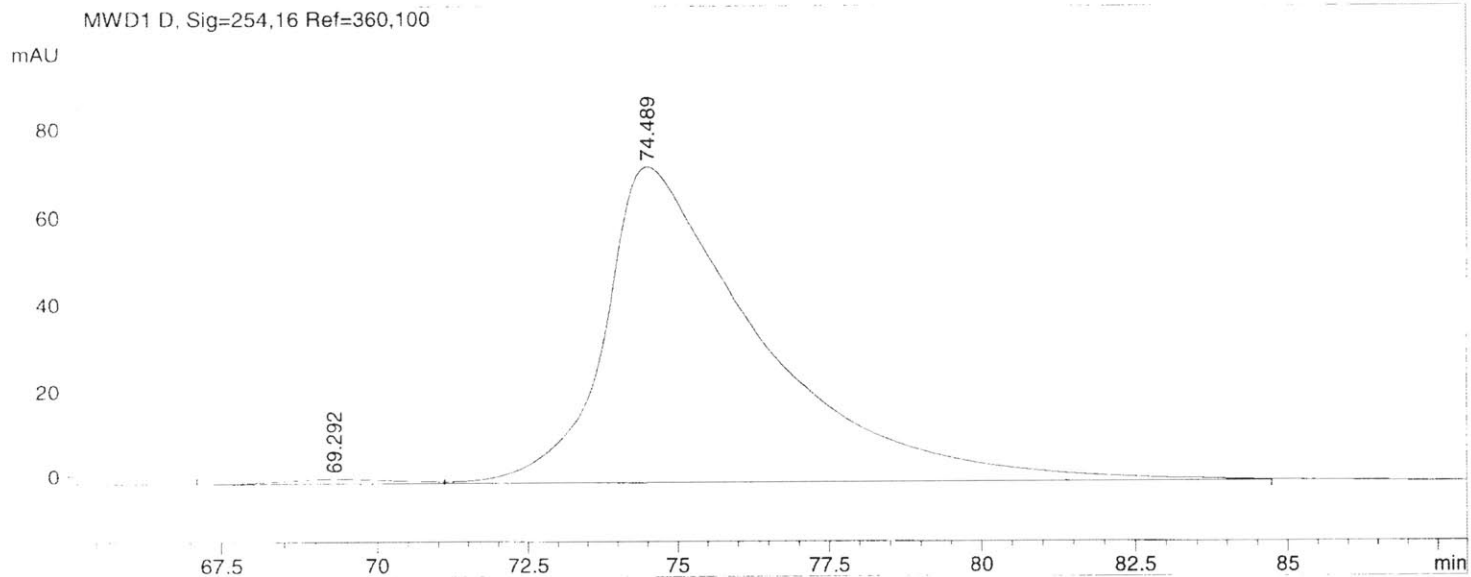
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 Area Percent Report  
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Sorted By : Signal  
 Multiplier : 1.0000  
 Dilution : 1.0000  
 Use Multiplier & Dilution Factor with ISTDs

Signal 1: MWD1 D, Sig=254,16 Ref=360,100

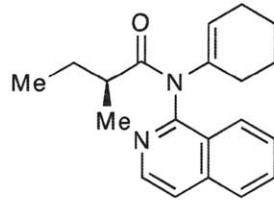
Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	69.292	PV	1.4743	143.10532	1.15119	1.0655
2	74.489	VB	2.4760	1.32871e4	72.98418	98.9345

Totals : 1.34302e4 74.13538

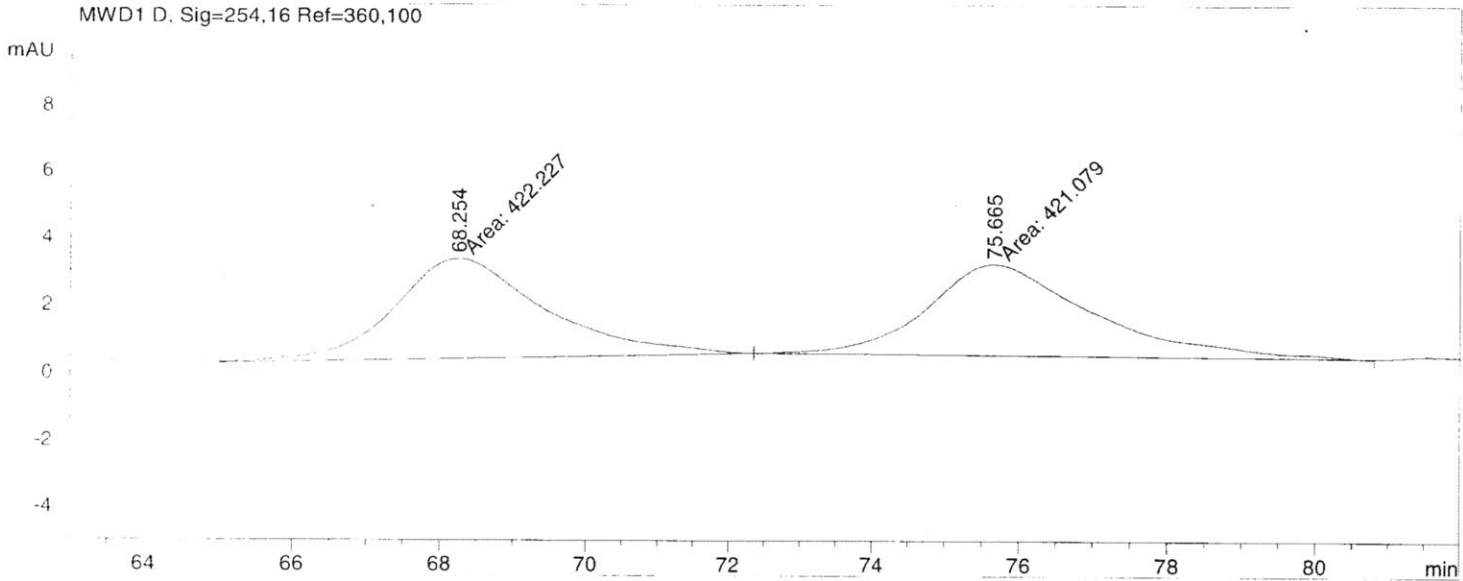
Results obtained with enhanced integrator!

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 \*\*\* End of Report \*\*\*





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 Area Percent Report  
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Sorted By : Signal  
 Multiplier : 1.0000  
 Dilution : 1.0000  
 Use Multiplier & Dilution Factor with ISTDs

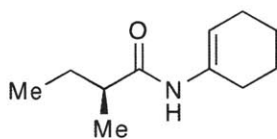
Signal 1: MWD1 D, Sig=254,16 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	68.254	MM	2.3878	422.22662	2.94713	50.0681
2	75.665	MM	2.6063	421.07855	2.69268	49.9319

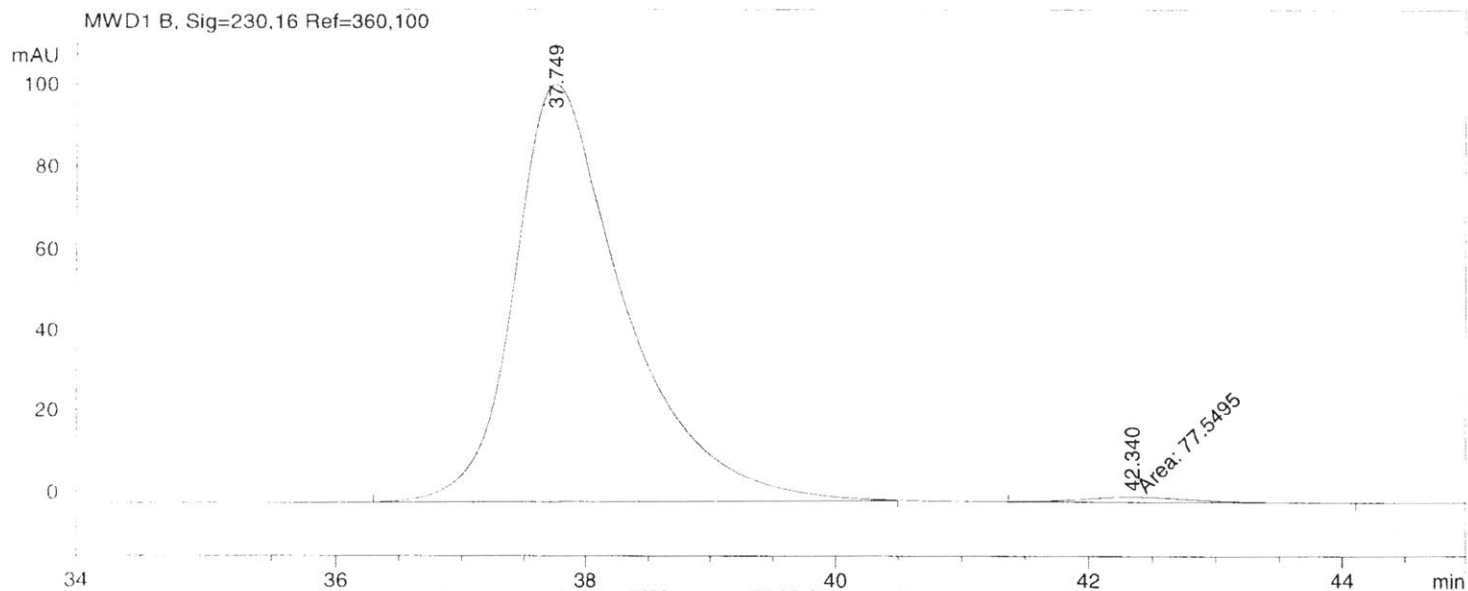
Totals : 843.30518 5.63980

Results obtained with enhanced integrator!

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 \*\*\* End of Report \*\*\*



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 Area Percent Report  
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Sorted By : Signal  
 Multiplier : 1.0000  
 Dilution : 1.0000  
 Use Multiplier & Dilution Factor with ISTDs

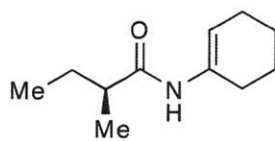
Signal 1: MWD1 B, Sig=230,16 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	37.749	BB	0.9076	6347.98145	102.34804	98.7931
2	42.340	MM	0.9913	77.54951	1.30385	1.2069

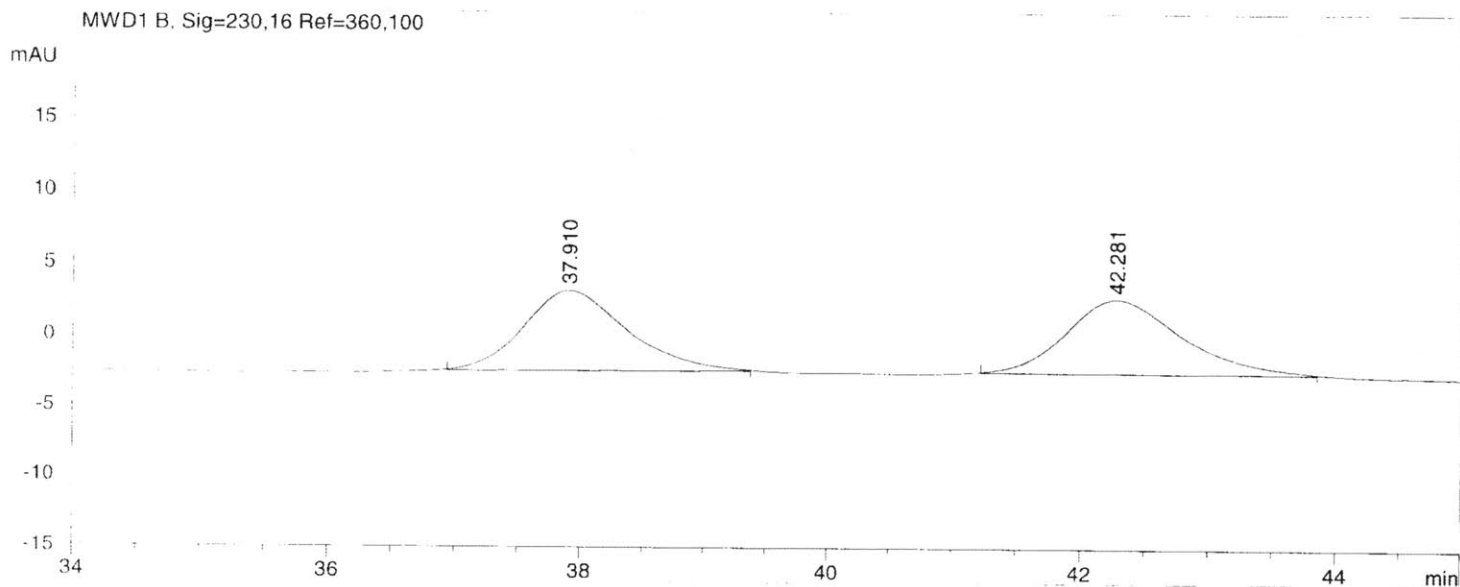
Totals : 6425.53096 103.65188

Results obtained with enhanced integrator!

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 \*\*\* End of Report \*\*\*



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 Area Percent Report  
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Sorted By : Signal  
 Multiplier : 1.0000  
 Dilution : 1.0000  
 Use Multiplier & Dilution Factor with ISTDs

Signal 1: MWD1 B, Sig=230,16 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	37.910	BB	0.7657	323.57190	5.65401	49.6895
2	42.281	BB	0.7854	327.61554	5.28346	50.3105

Totals : 651.18744 10.93746

Results obtained with enhanced integrator!

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 \*\*\* End of Report \*\*\*

STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 2.000 sec

Pulse 89.5 degrees

Acq. time 3.001 sec

Width 10504.2 Hz

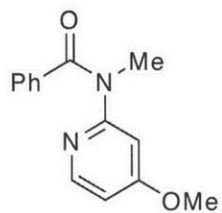
16 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 499.7417195 MHz

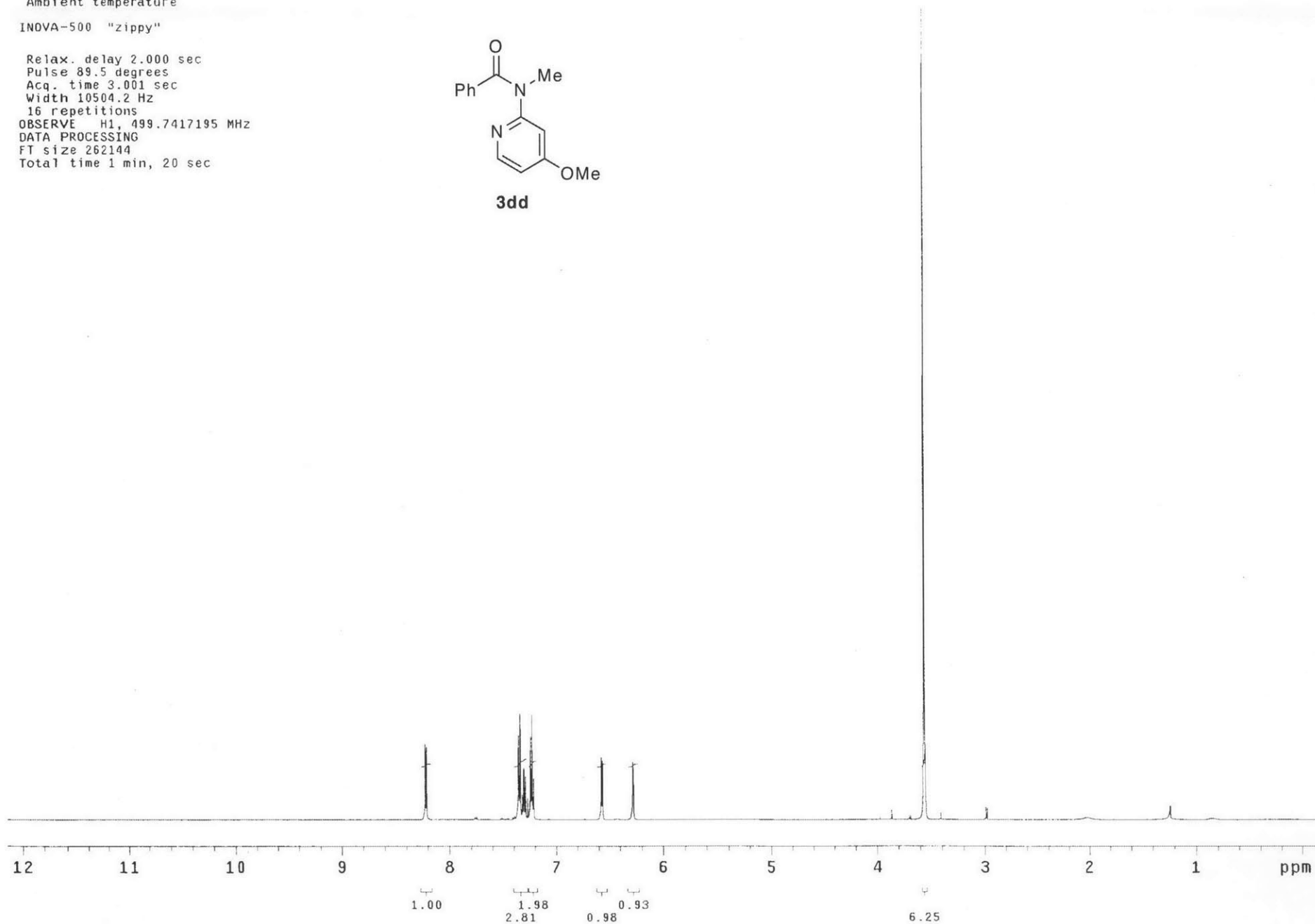
DATA PROCESSING

FT size 262144

Total time 1 min, 20 sec



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STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

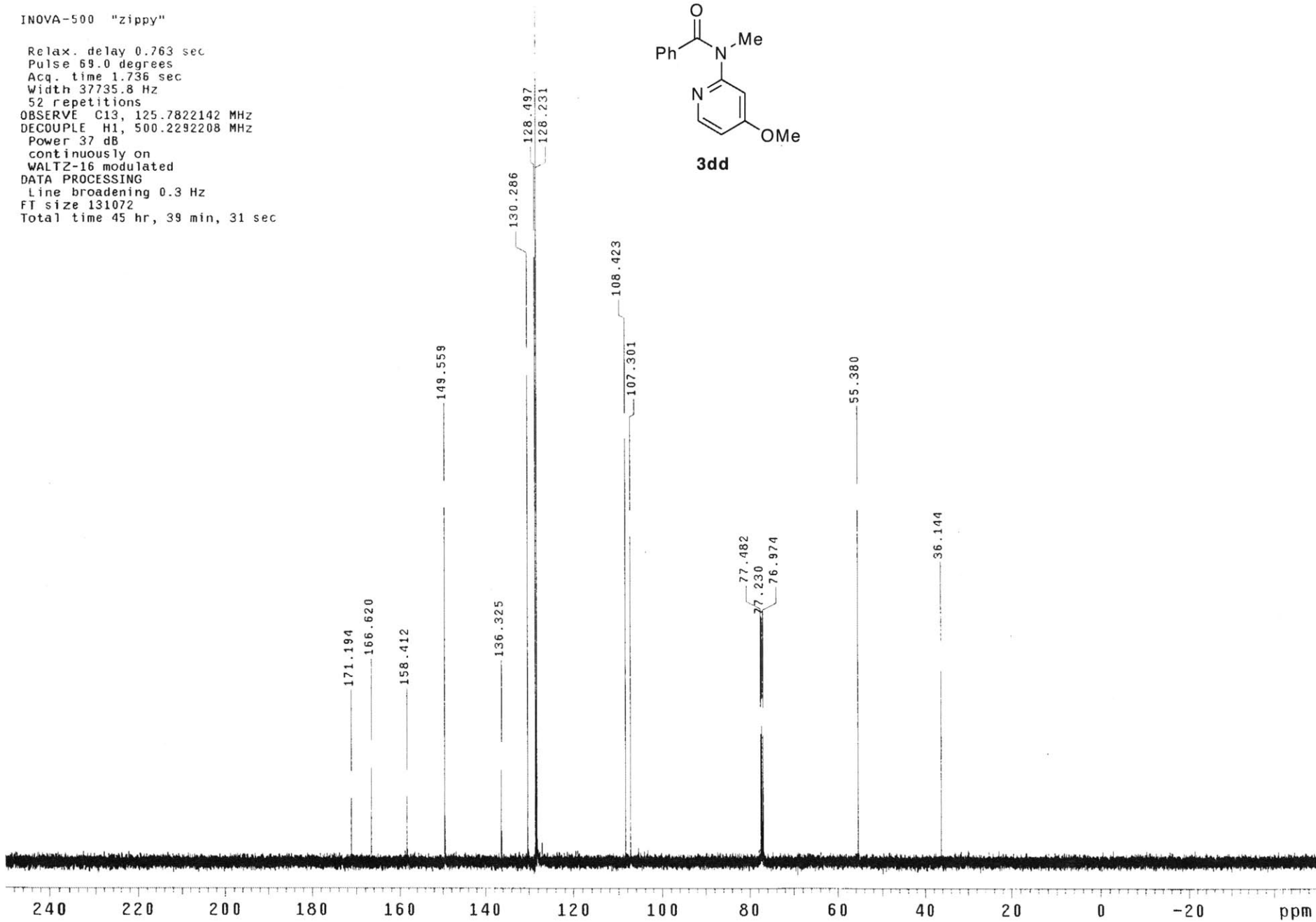
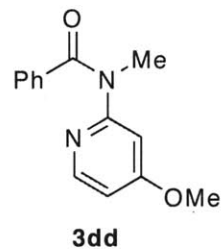
Pulse Sequence: s2pul

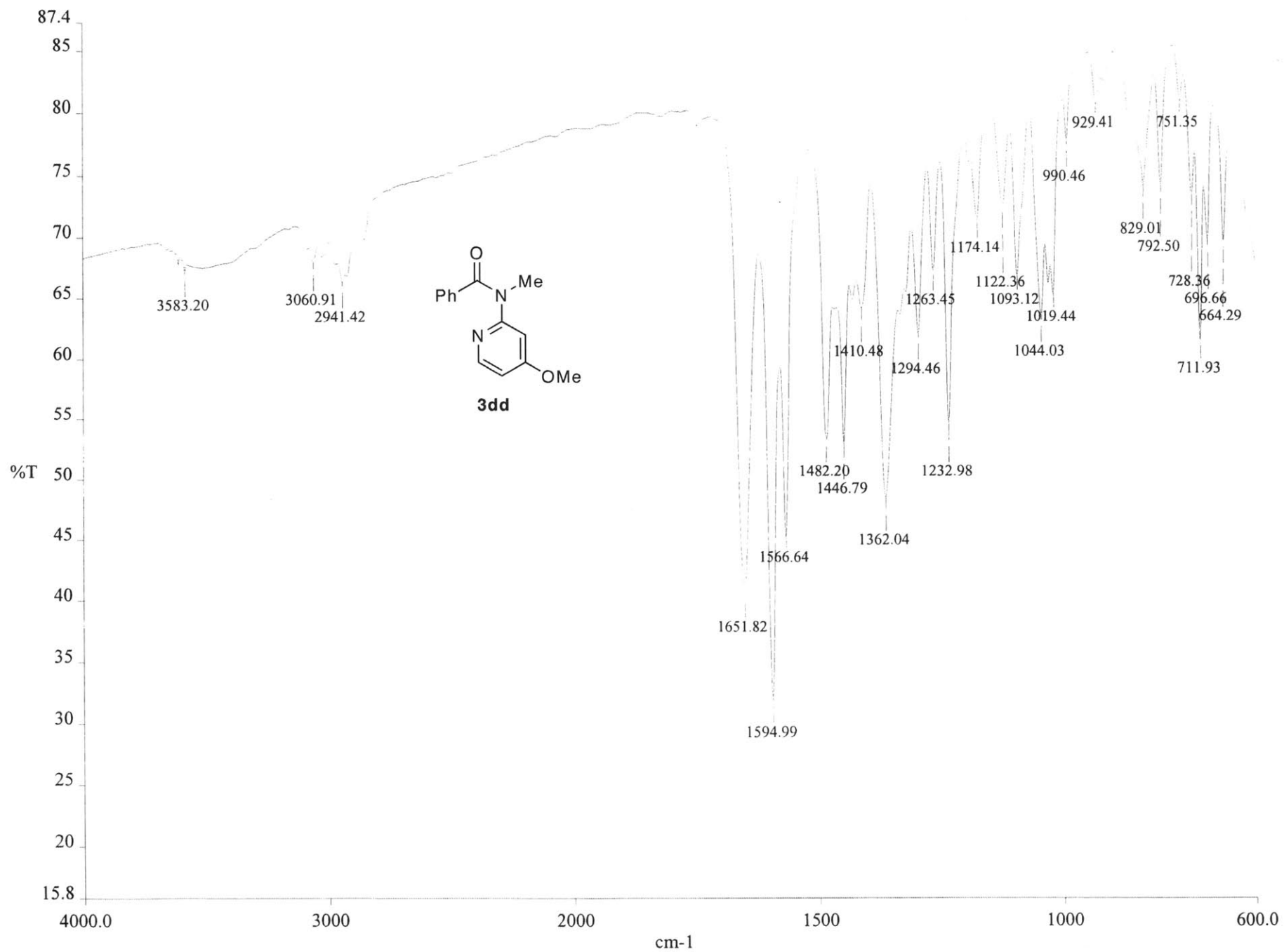
Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.0 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
52 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822142 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072  
Total time 45 hr, 39 min, 31 sec







STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 2.000 sec

Pulse 89.5 degrees

Acq. time 3.001 sec

Width 10504.2 Hz

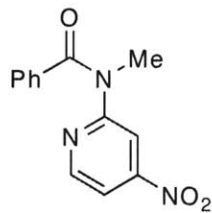
16 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 499.7417195 MHz

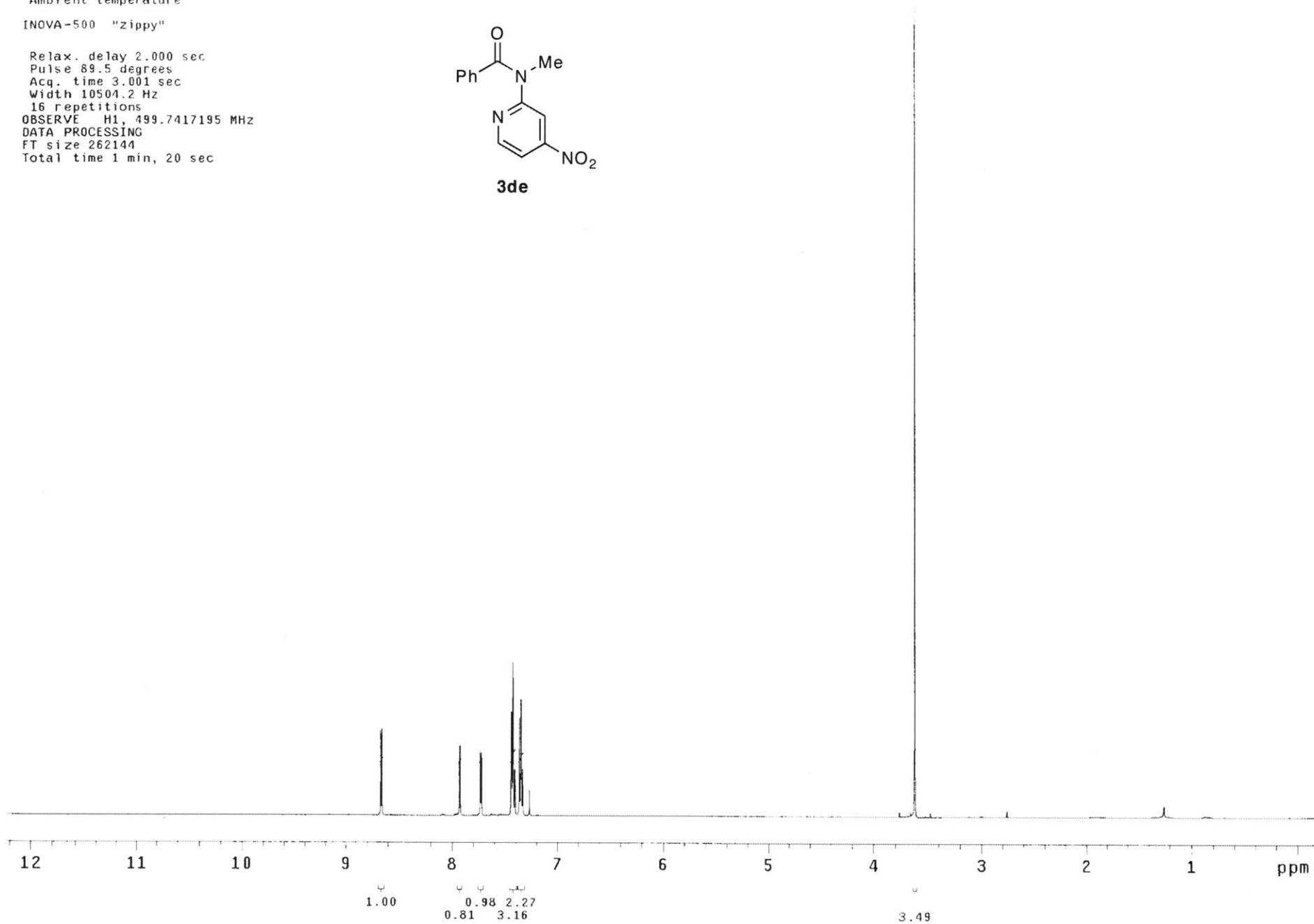
DATA PROCESSING

FT size 262144

Total time 1 min, 20 sec



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STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

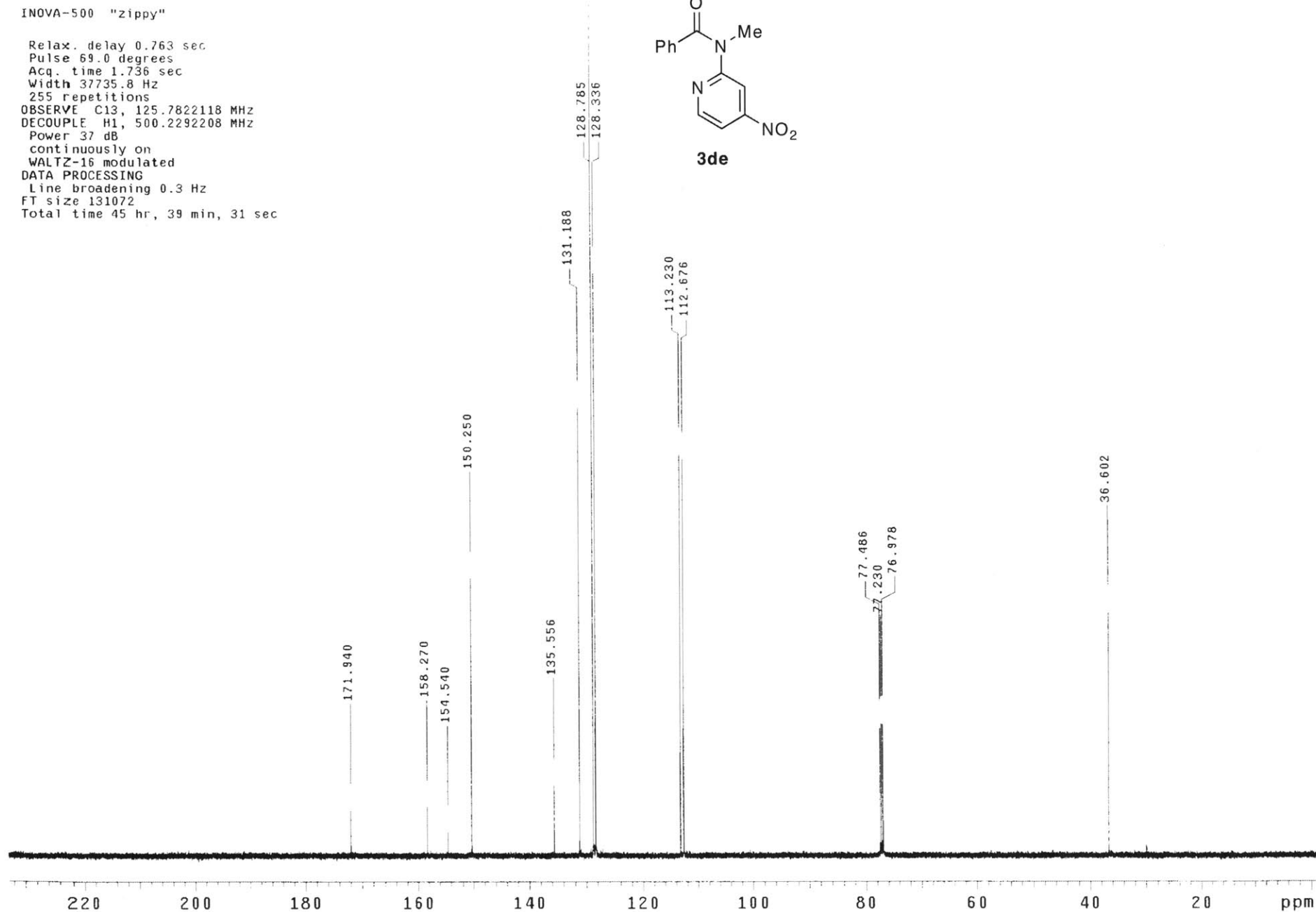
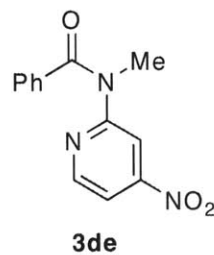
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

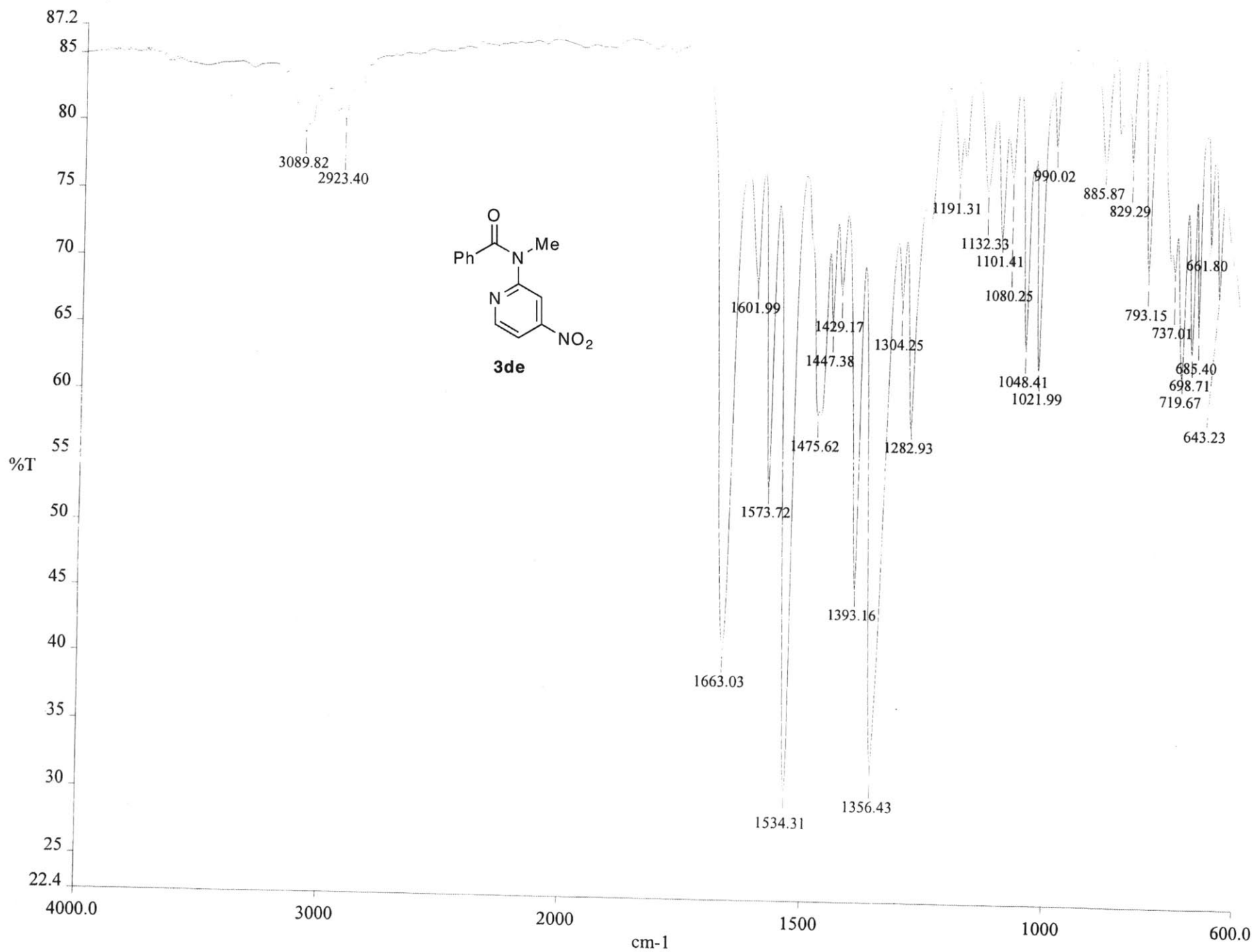
Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

INOVA-500 "zippy"

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.0 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
255 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822118 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072  
Total time 45 hr, 39 min, 31 sec





## **Appendix B**

### **Spectra for Chapter II**

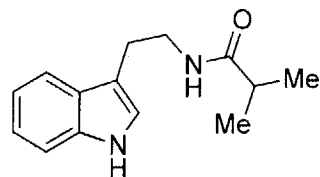
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

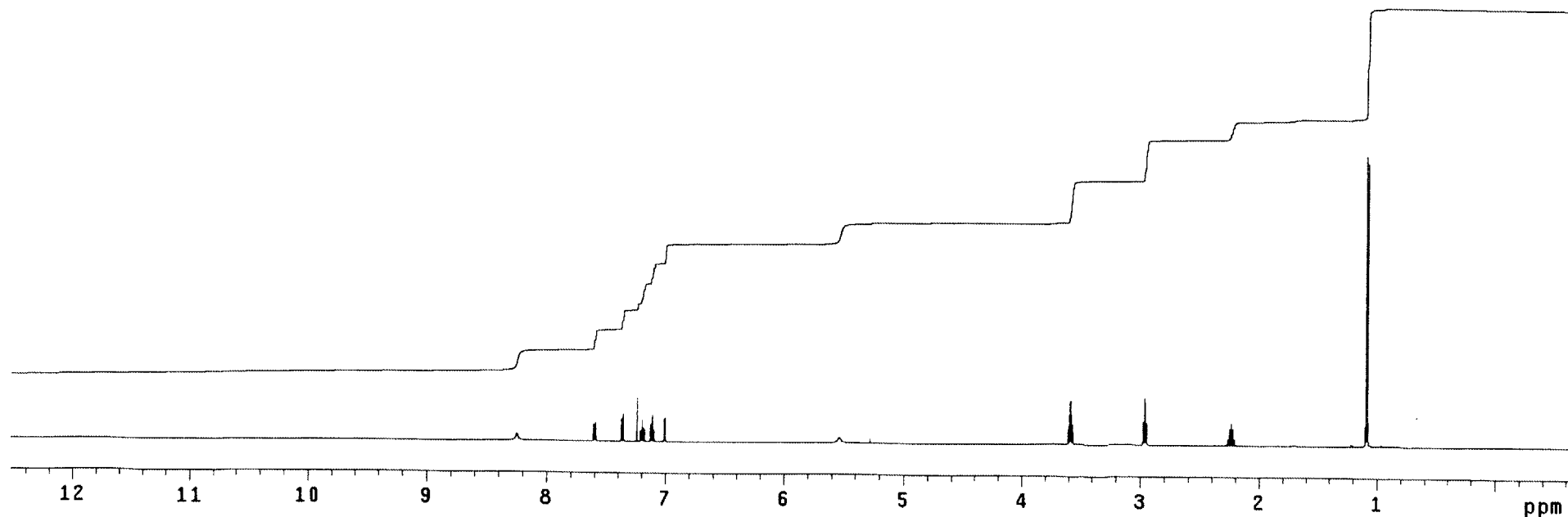
Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
Pulse 72.4 degrees  
Acq. time 4.999 sec  
Width 12012.0 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.4252875 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



S1a



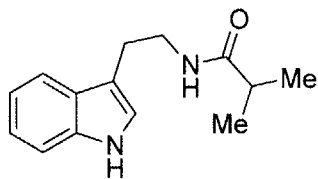
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pul

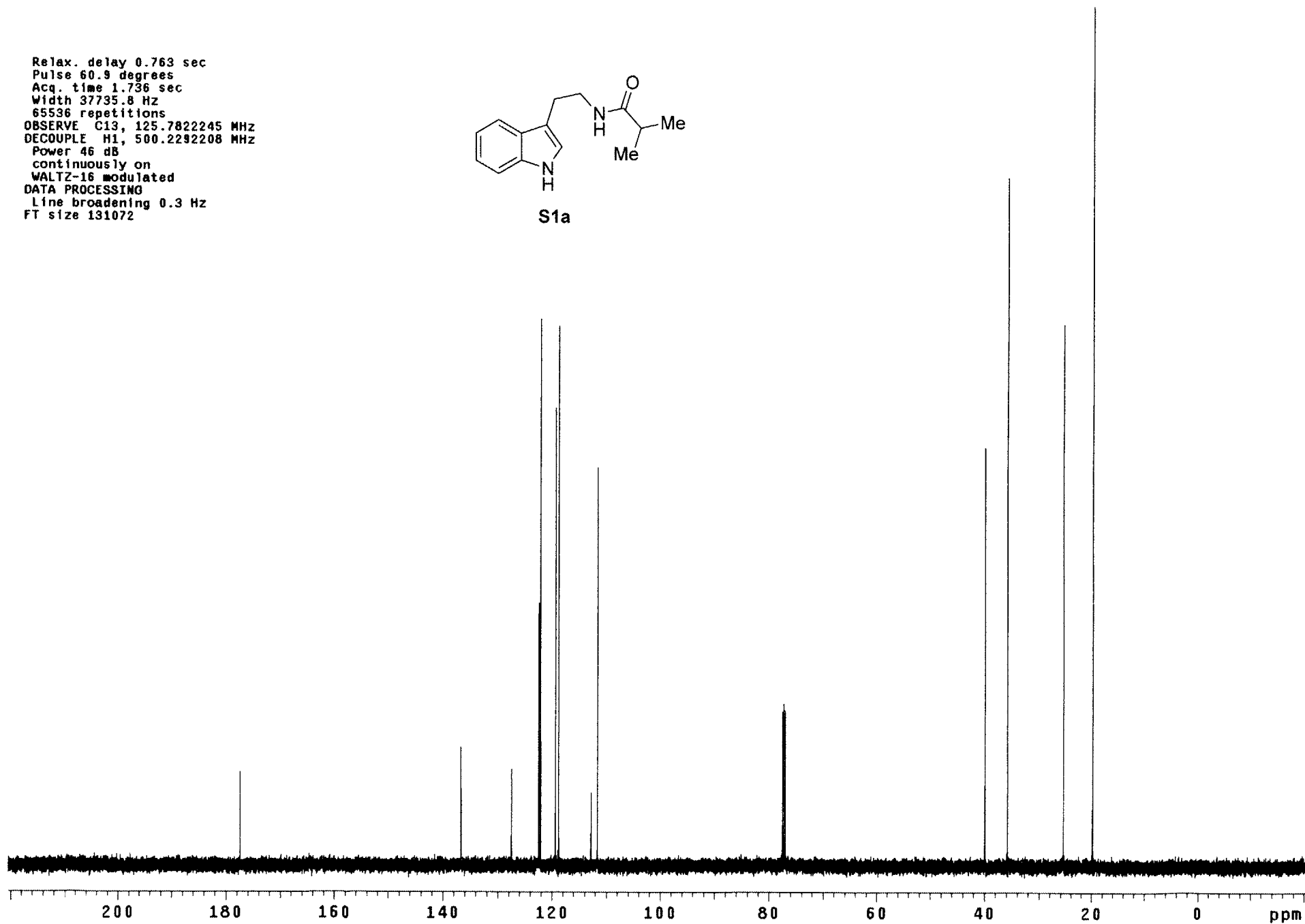
Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 60.9 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
65536 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822245 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 46 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072

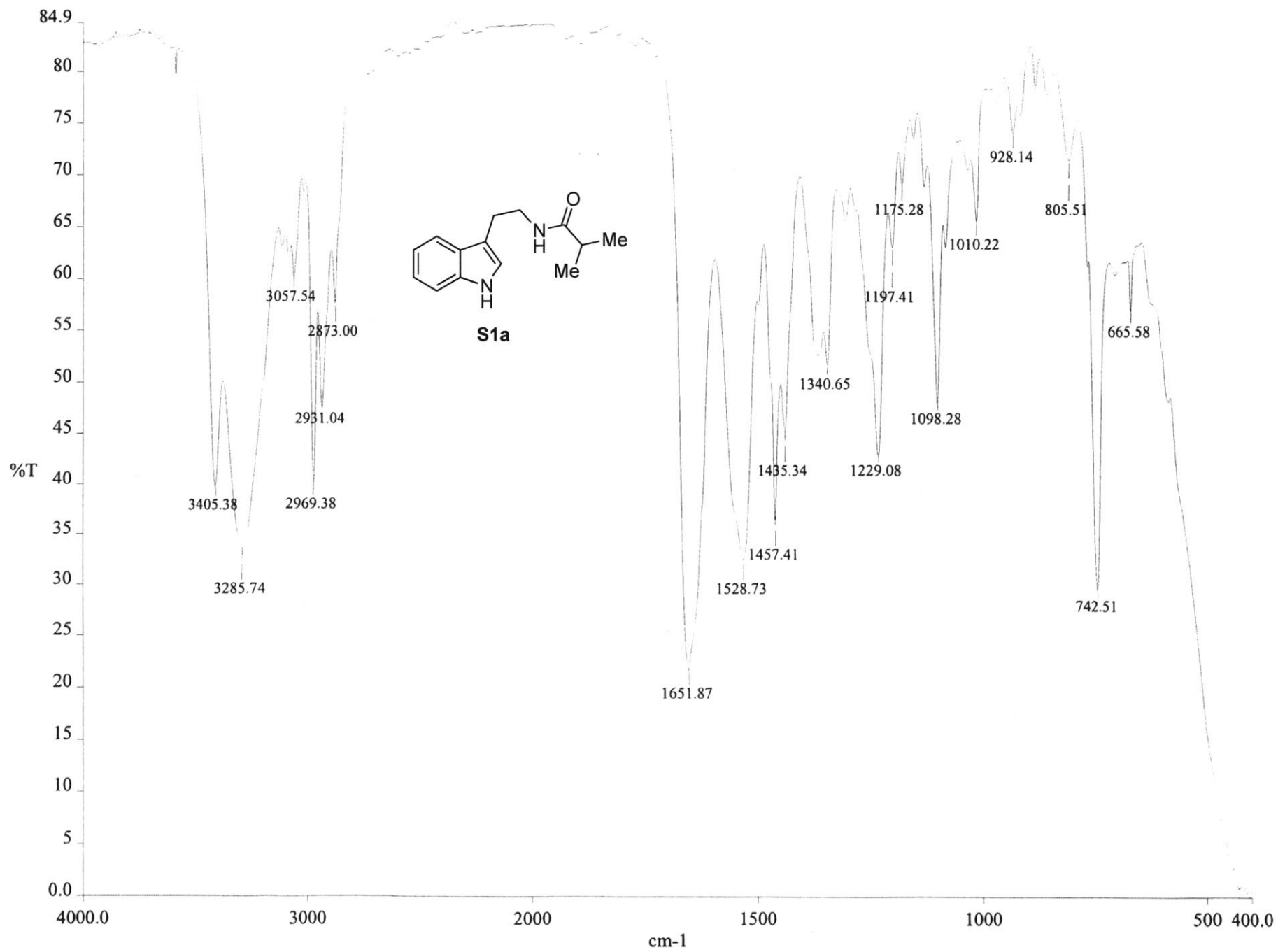


S1a





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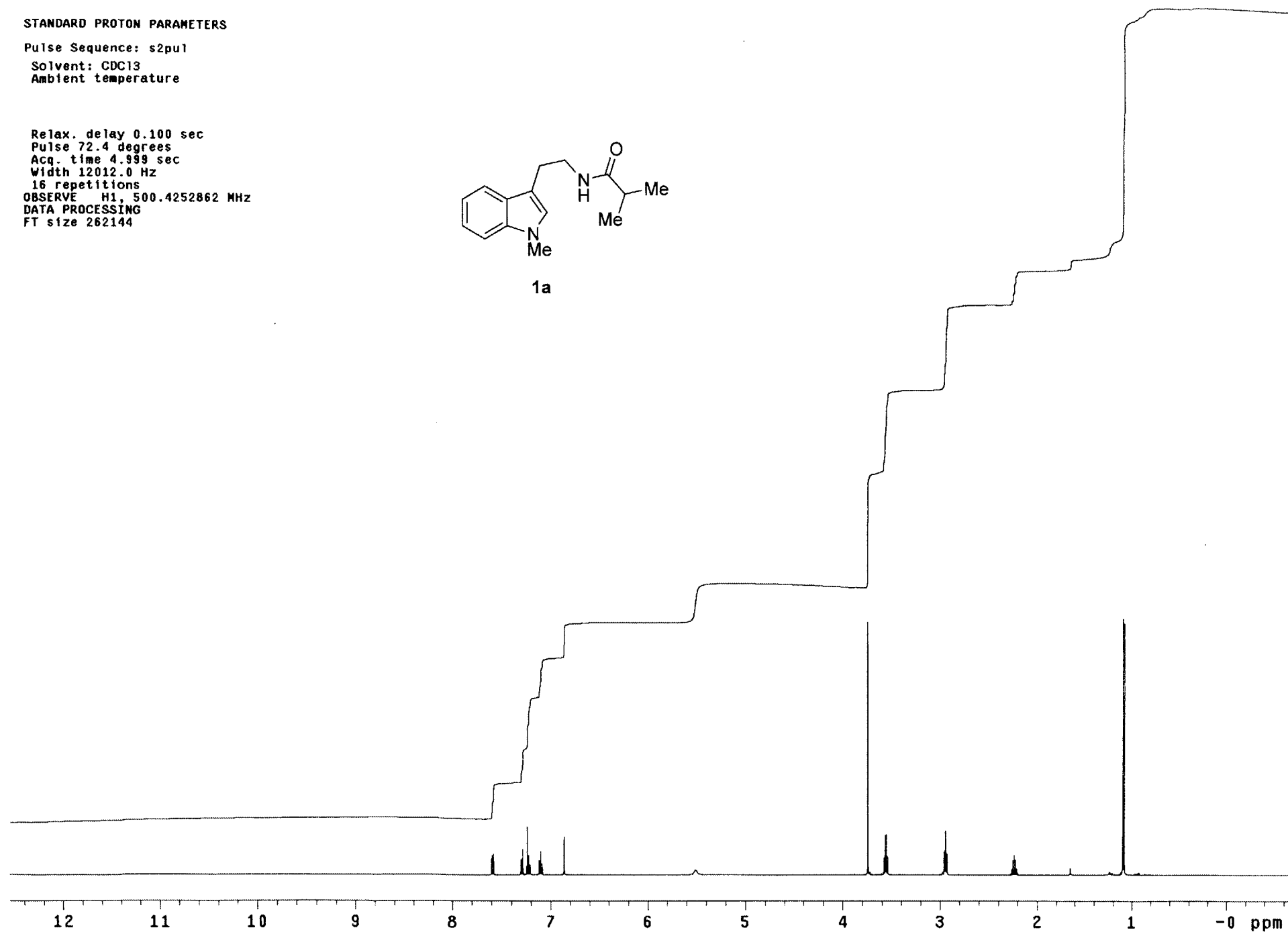
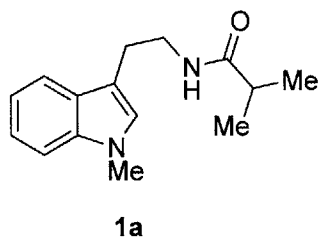
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
Pulse 72.4 degrees  
Acq. time 4.999 sec  
Width 12012.0 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.4252862 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



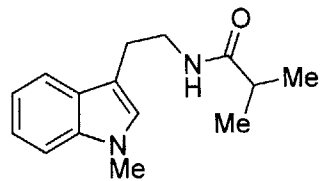
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

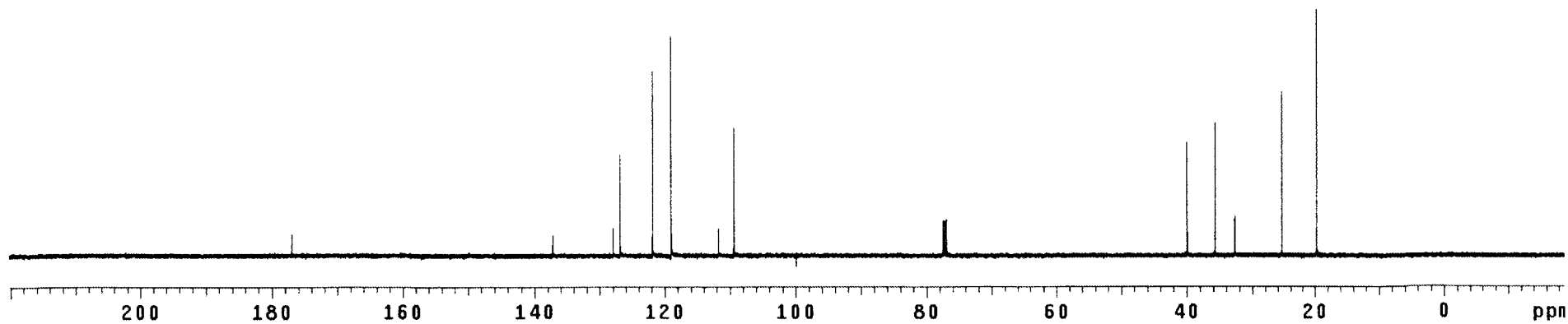
Solvent: CDC13

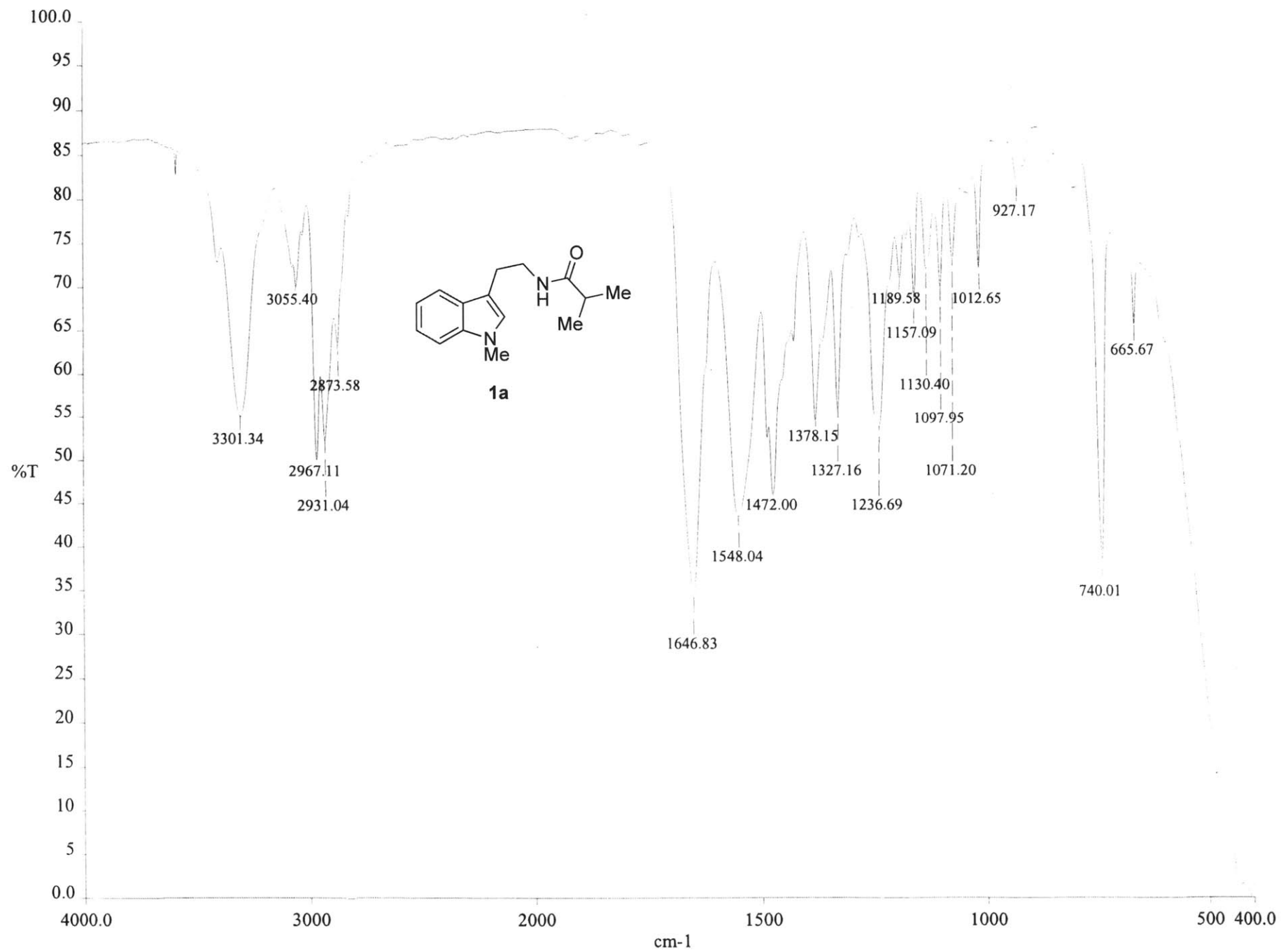
Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 60.9 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
65536 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822245 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 46 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072



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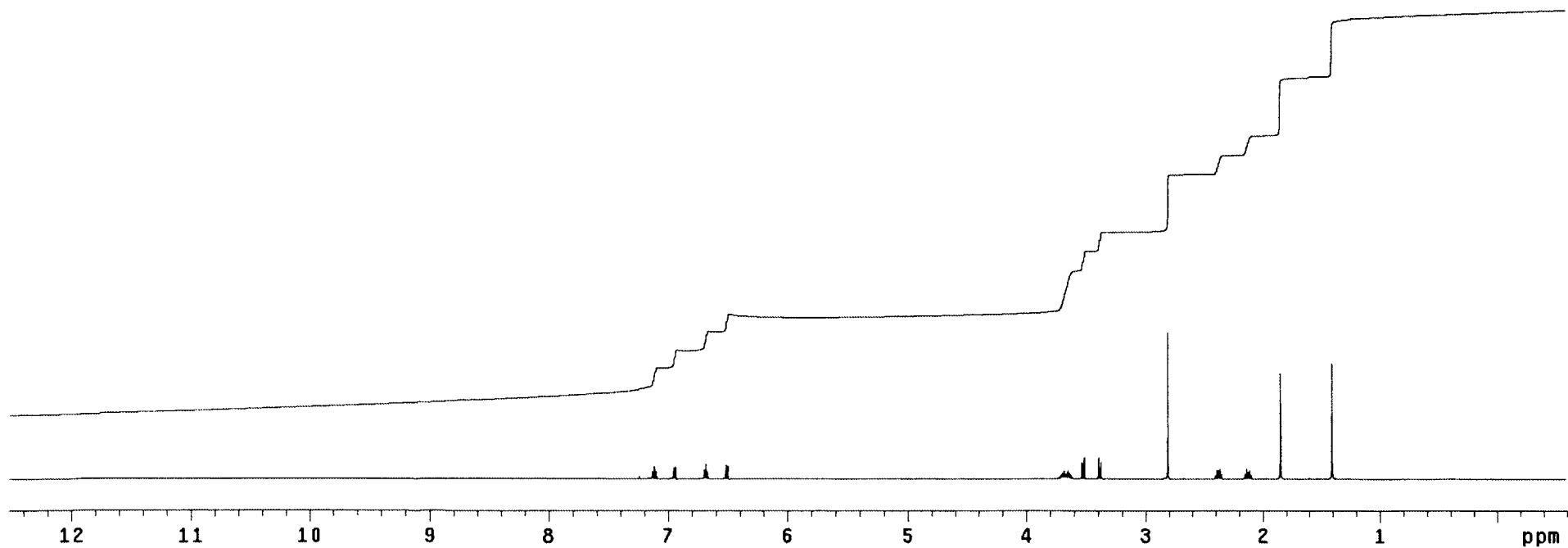
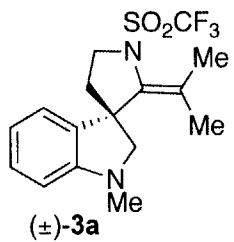
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 2.000 sec  
Pulse 81.5 degrees  
Acq. time 3.001 sec  
Width 10504.2 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 499.7417347 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



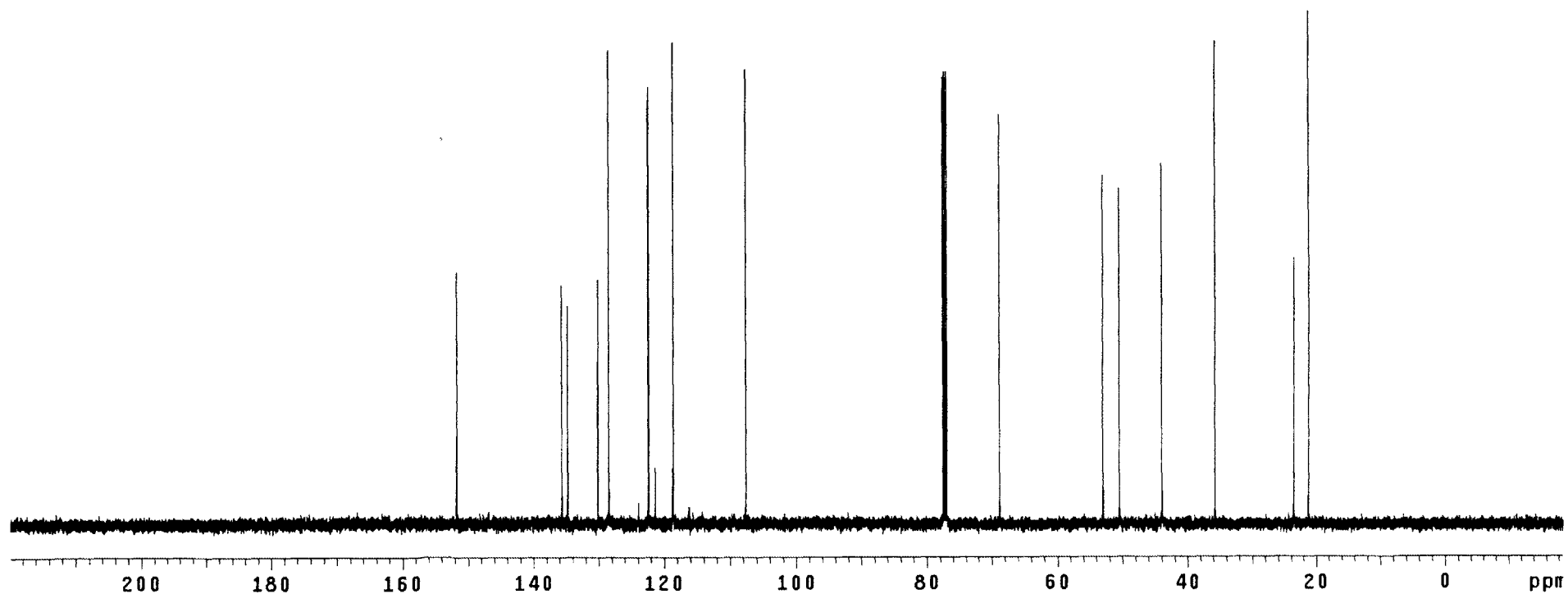
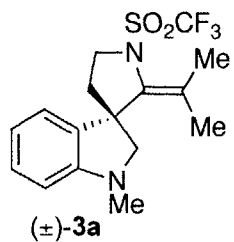
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 35.0 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
302 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6601362 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442194 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072





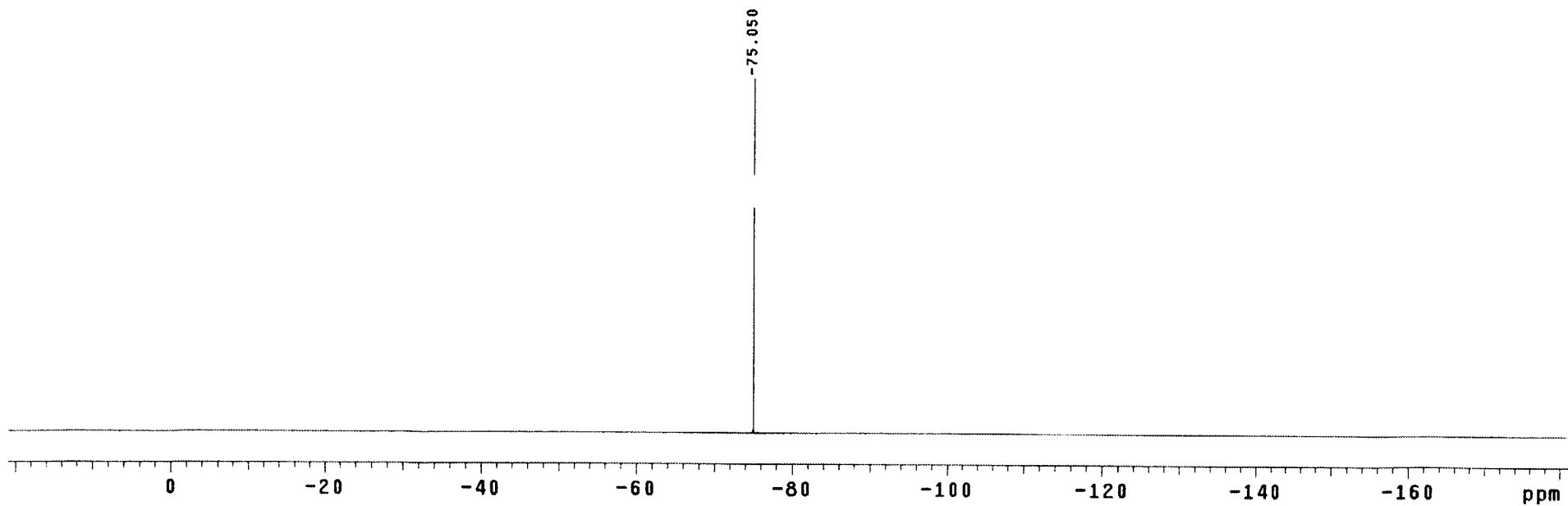
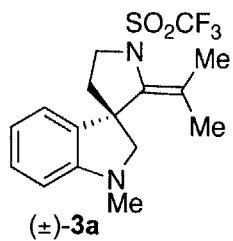
19F SENSITIVITY  
0.05% TRIFLUOROTOLUENE

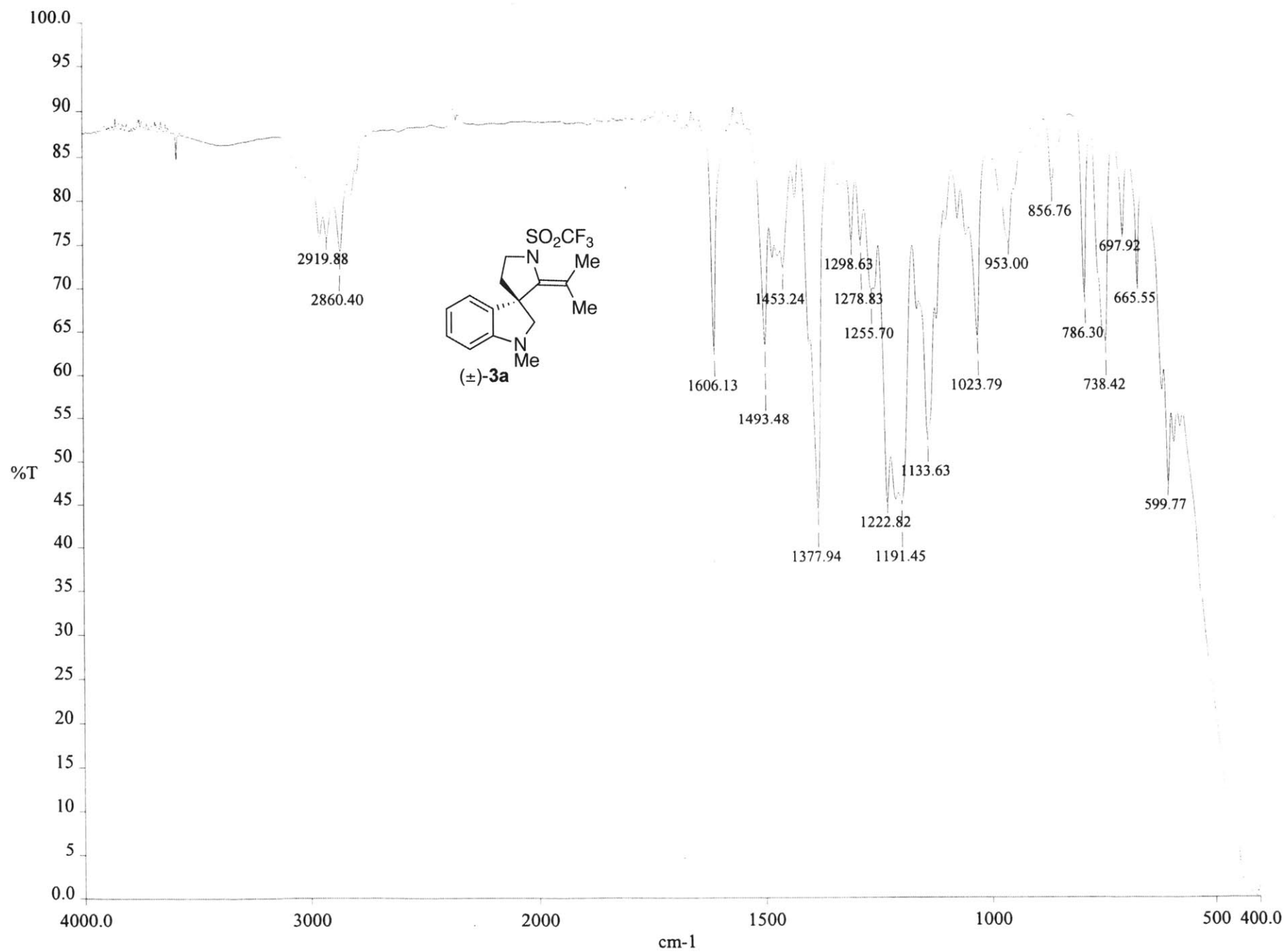
Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 2.000 sec  
Pulse 90.0 degrees  
Acq. time 0.232 sec  
Width 140.8 KHZ  
12 repetitions  
OBSERVE F19, 470.2272133 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072





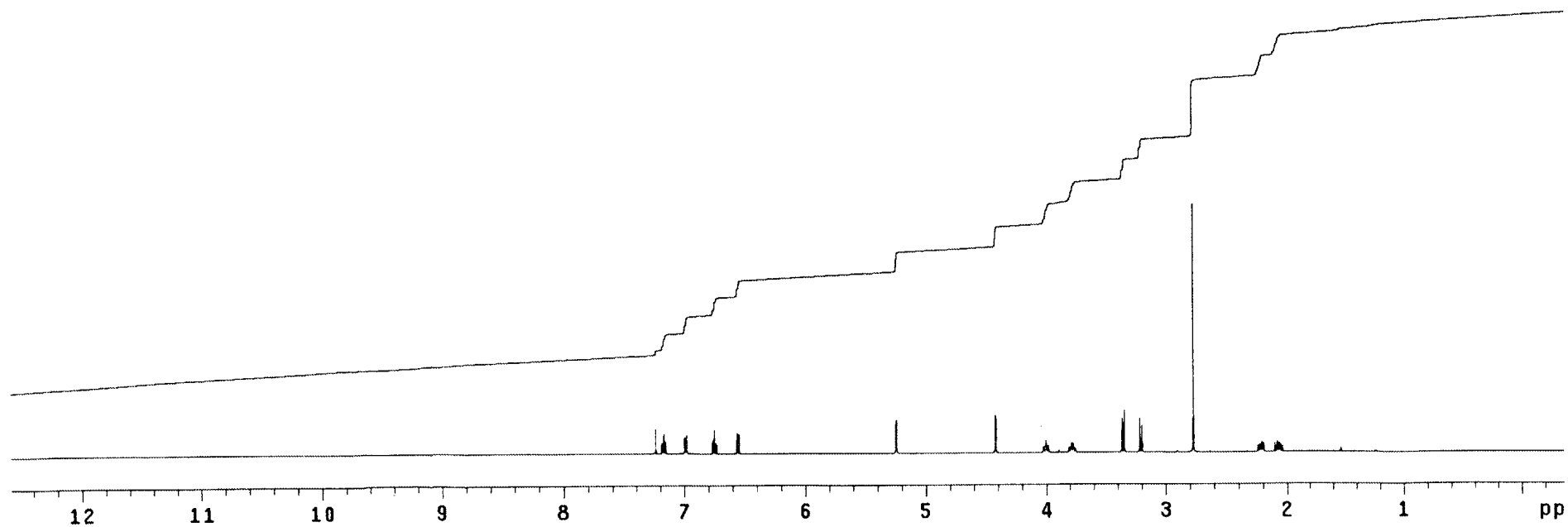
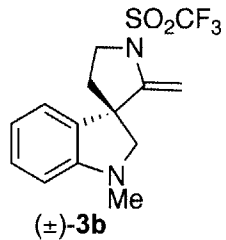
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 2.000 sec  
Pulse 81.5 degrees  
Acq. time 3.001 sec  
Width 10504.2 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 499.7417336 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



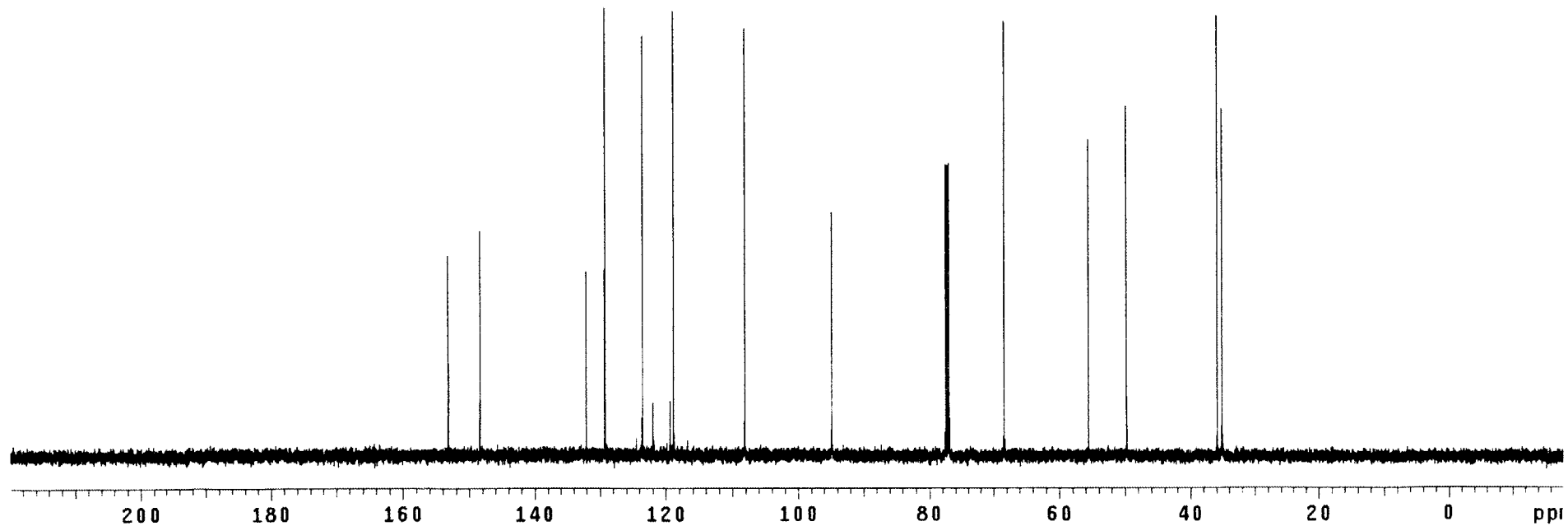
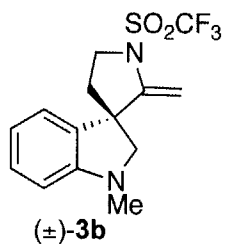
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

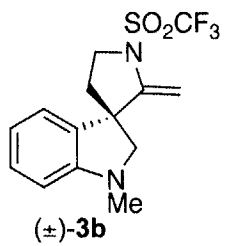
Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 35.0 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
142 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6601405 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442194 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072



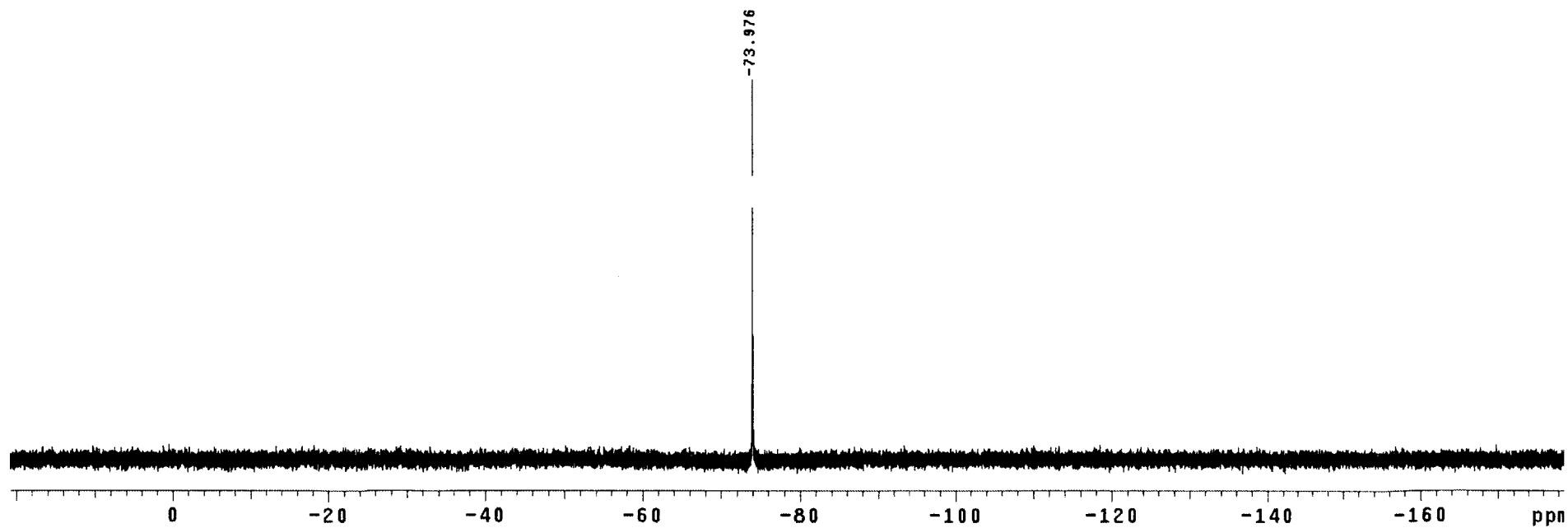
**<sup>19</sup>F SENSITIVITY**  
**0.05% TRIFLUOROTOLUENE**

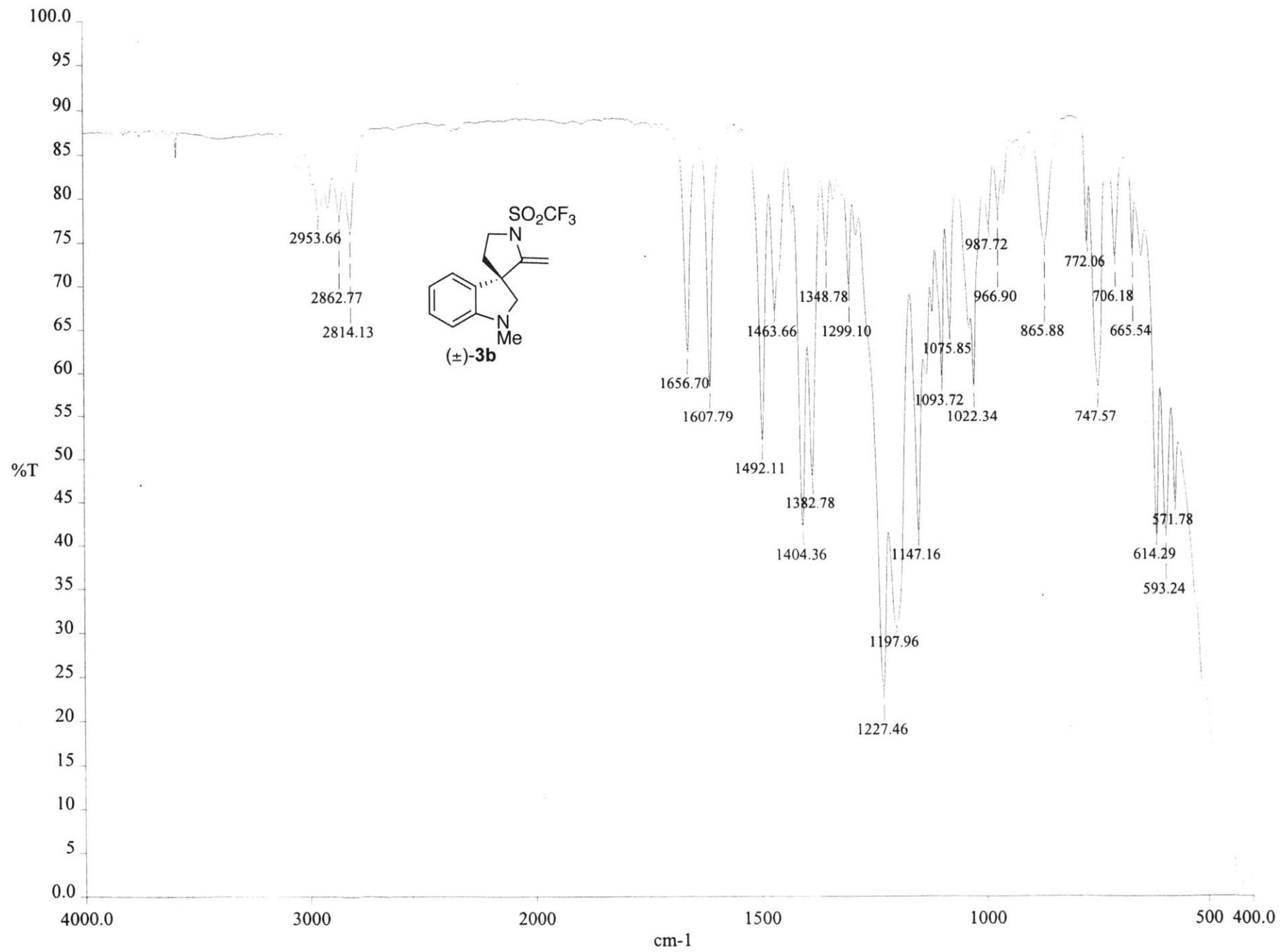
**Pulse Sequence: s2pu1**  
**Solvent: CDC13**  
**Ambient temperature**

**Relax. delay 2.000 sec**  
**Pulse 90.0 degrees**  
**Acq. time 0.232 sec**  
**Width 140.8 kHz**  
**16 repetitions**  
**OBSERVE F19, 470.2272133 MHz**  
**DATA PROCESSING**  
**Line broadening 1.0 Hz**  
**FT size 131072**



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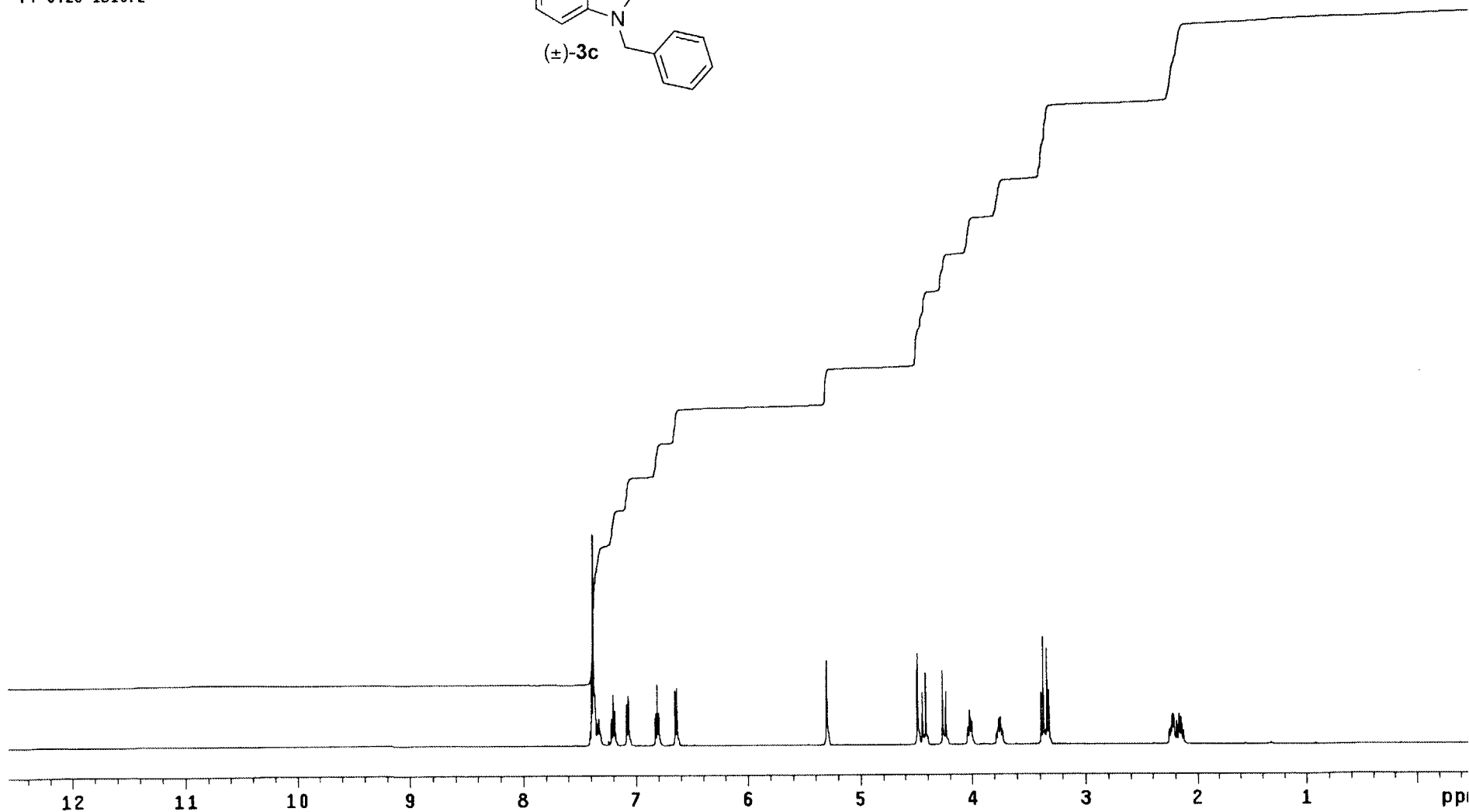
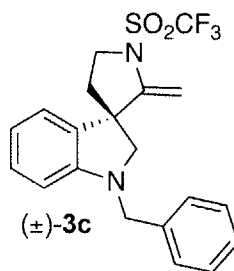
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 1.800 sec  
Pulse 90.0 degrees  
Acq. time 3.200 sec  
Width 10000.0 Hz  
5 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.2272318 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 131072



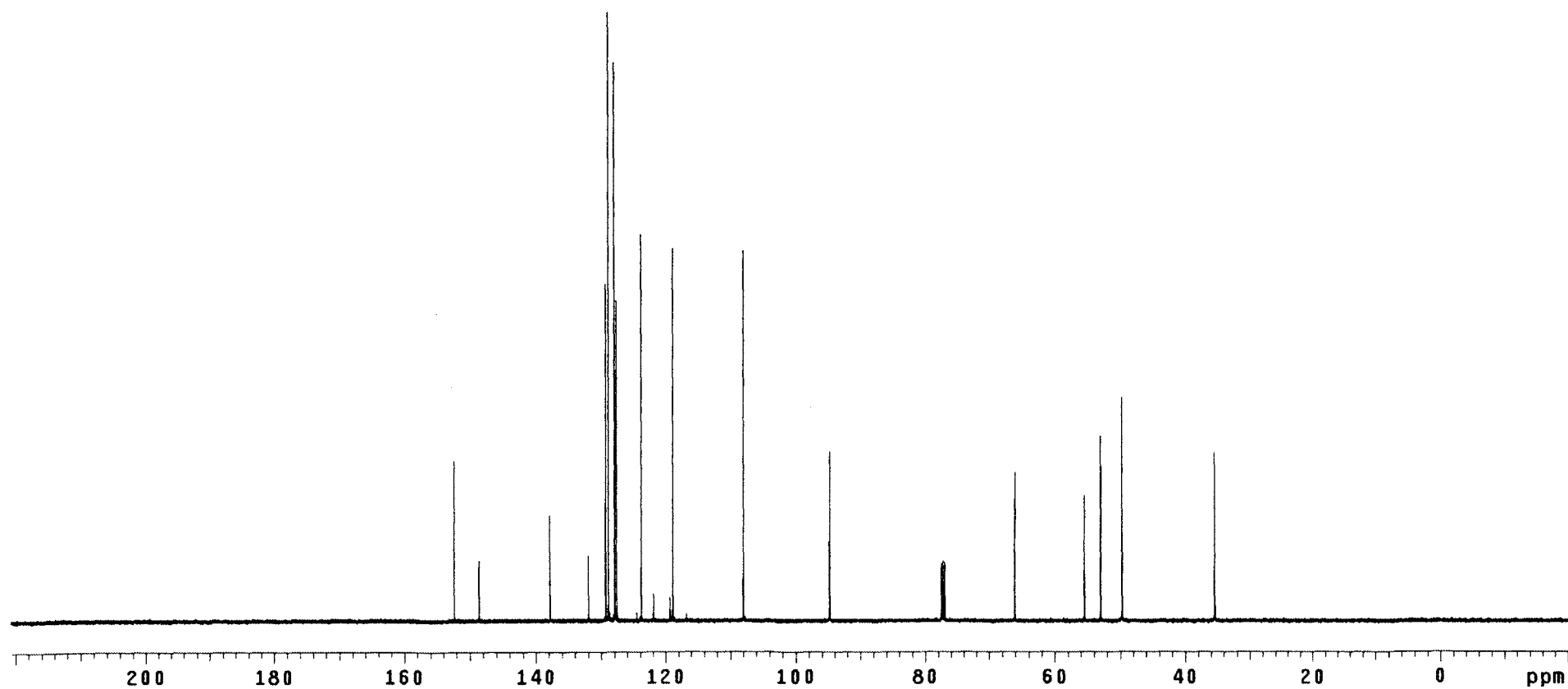
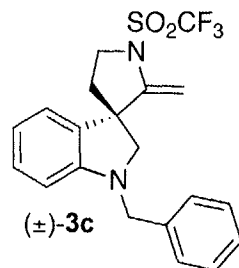
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 60.9 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
397 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822193 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 46 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072

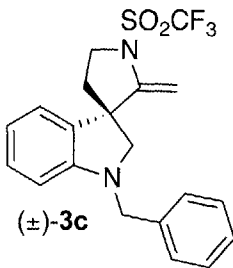


19F OBSERVE  
STANDARD PARAMETERS

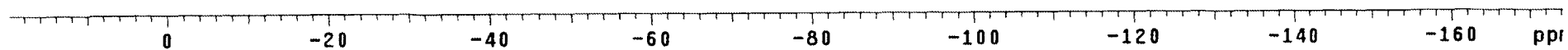
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

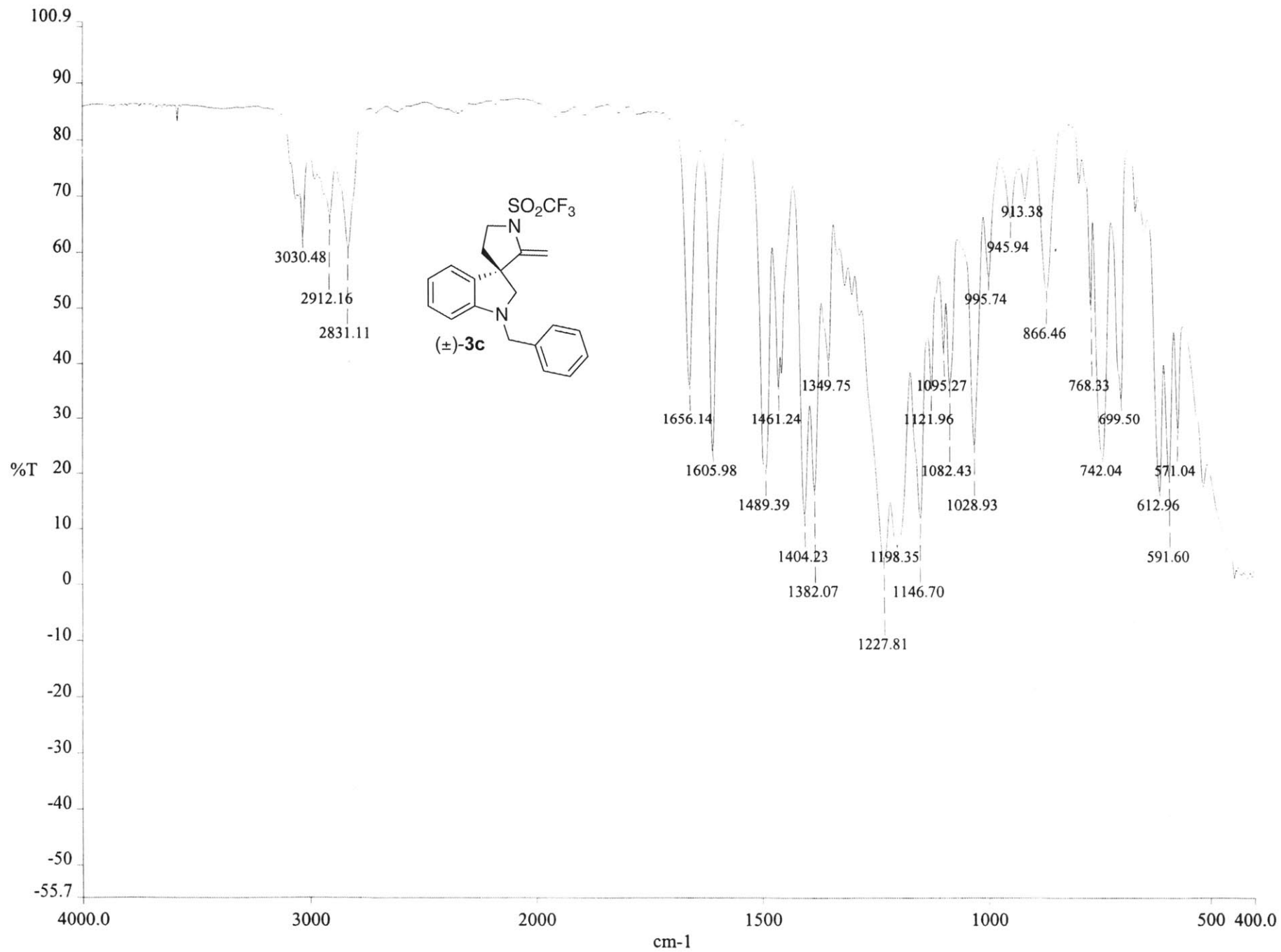
Solvent: CDCl3  
Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 4.000 sec  
Pulse 45.0 degrees  
Acq. time 0.300 sec  
Width 100.0 kHz  
6 repetitions  
OBSERVE F19, 282.3814158 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 262144



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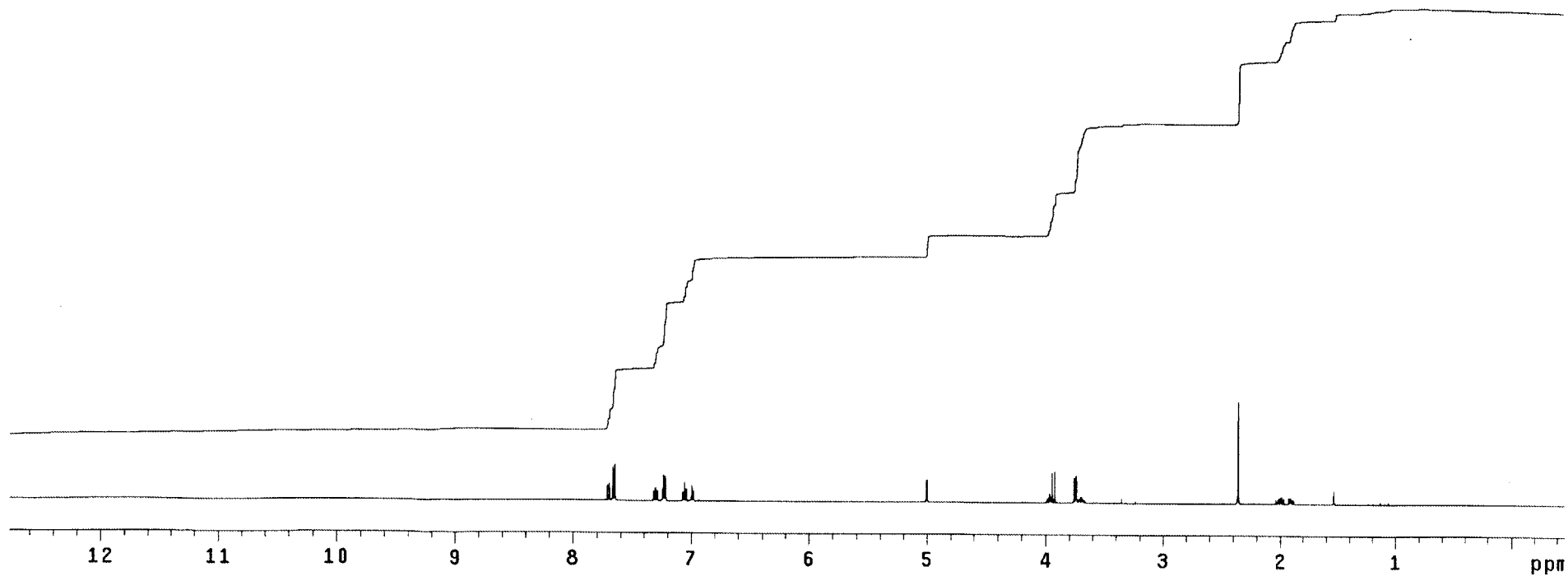
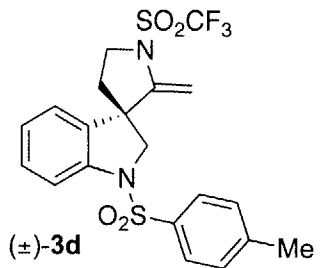
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
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DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



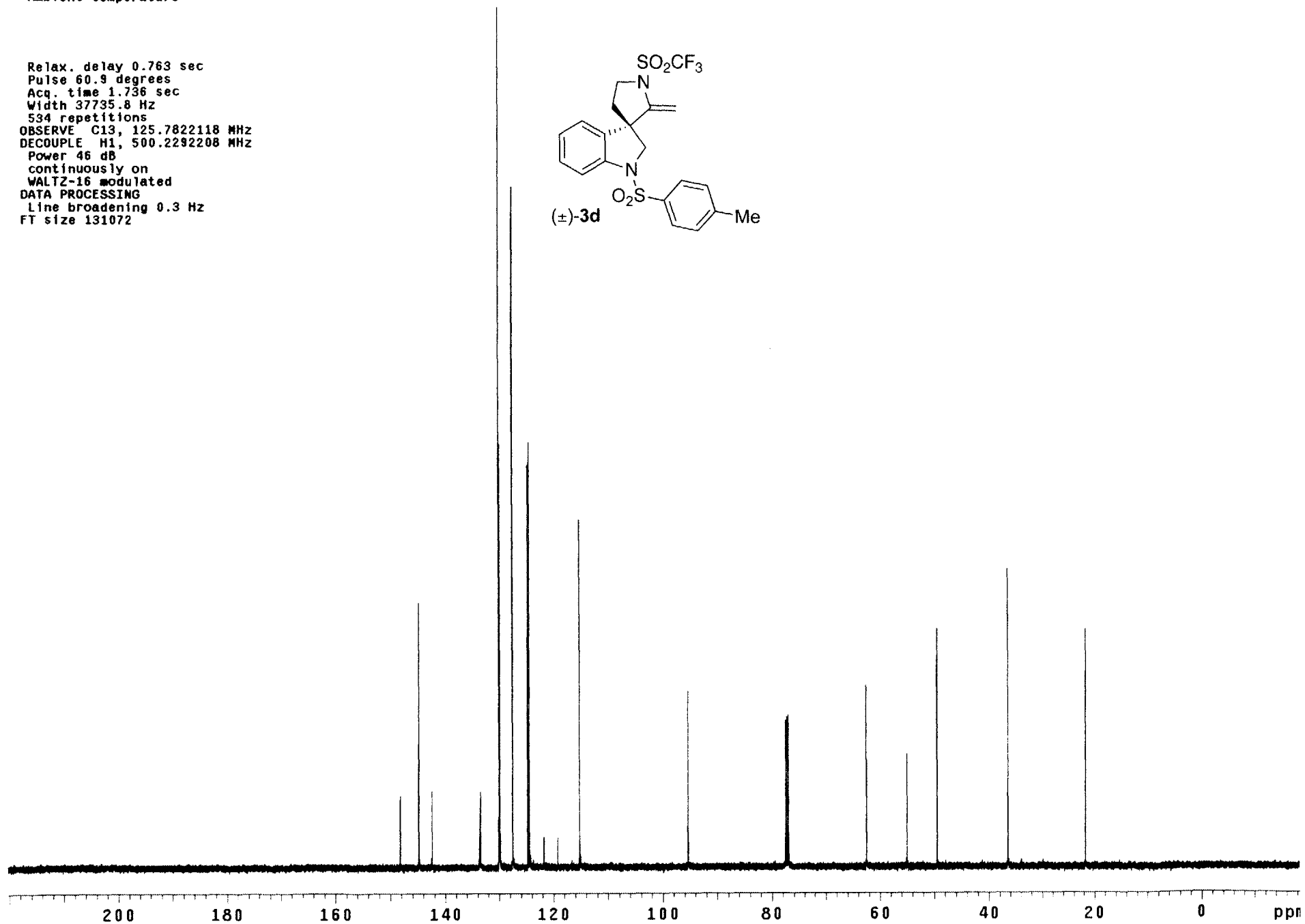
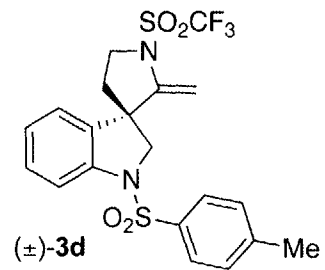
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 60.9 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
534 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822118 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 46 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072





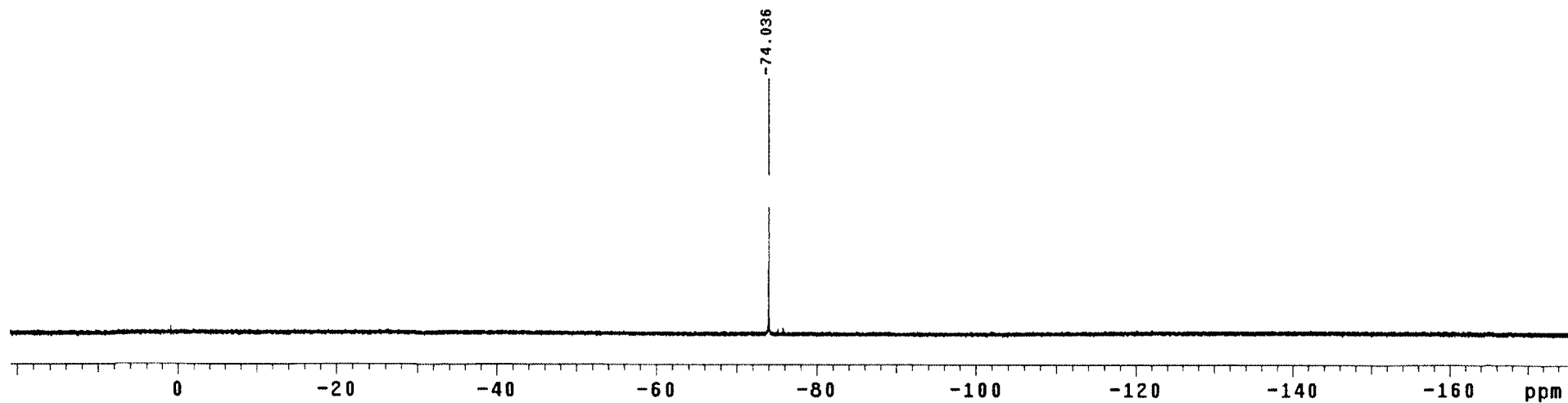
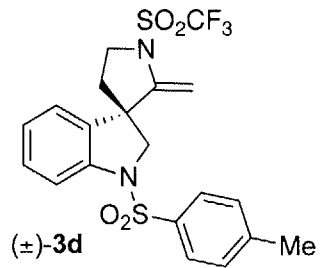
19F OBSERVE  
STANDARD PARAMETERS

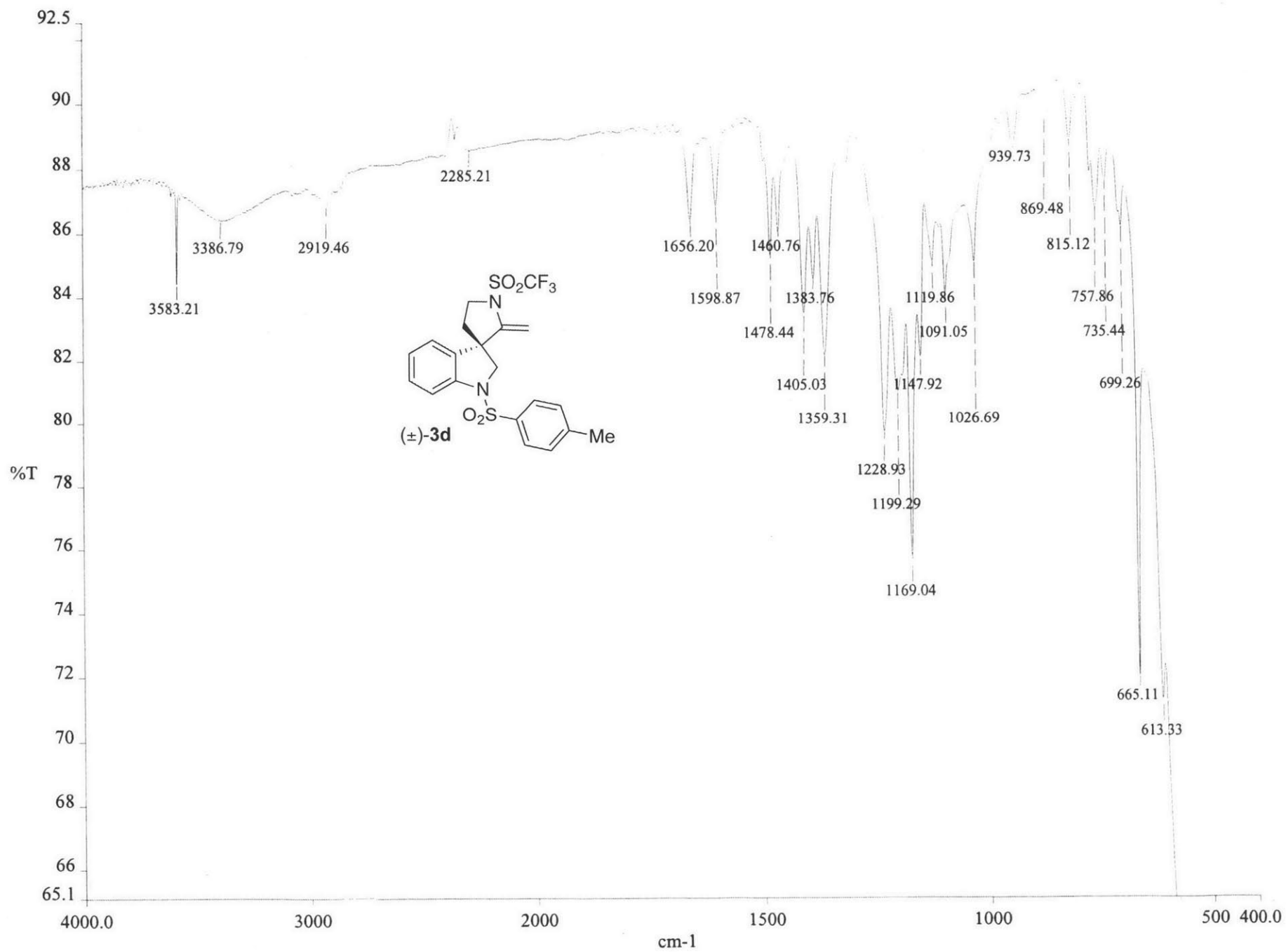
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 4.000 sec  
Pulse 45.0 degrees  
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Width 100.0 kHz  
27 repetitions  
OBSERVE F19, 282.3814158 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 262144





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STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: toluene

Temp. 100.0 C / 373.1 K

Relax. delay 2.000 sec

Pulse 84.1 degrees

Acq. time 3.001 sec

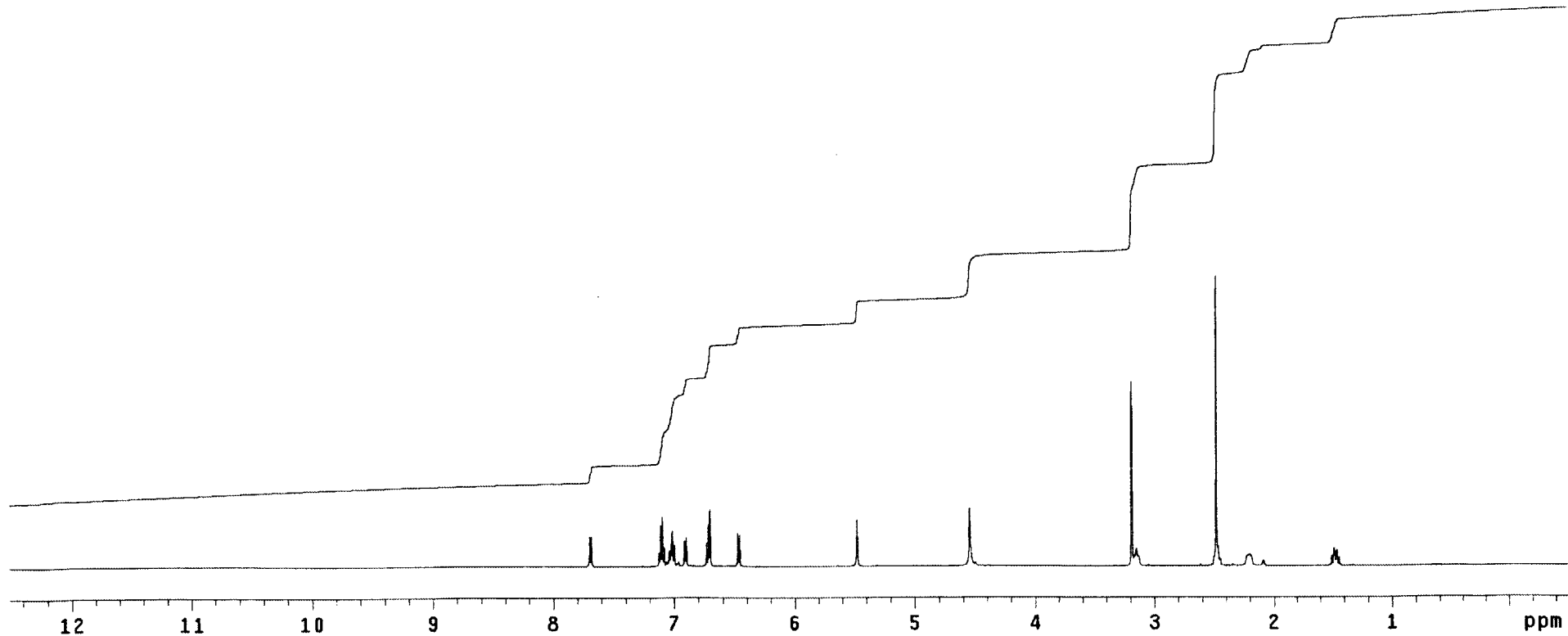
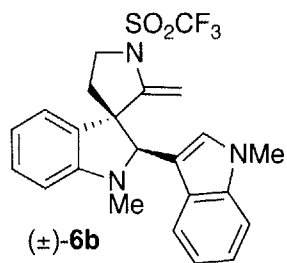
Width 10504.2 Hz

12 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 499.7418474 MHz

DATA PROCESSING

FT size 262144



STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: toluene

Temp. 100.0 C / 373.1 K

Relax. delay 3.000 sec

Pulse 37.8 degrees

Acq. time 2.000 sec

Width 31397.2 Hz

1581 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 125.660986 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442944 MHz

Power 34 dB

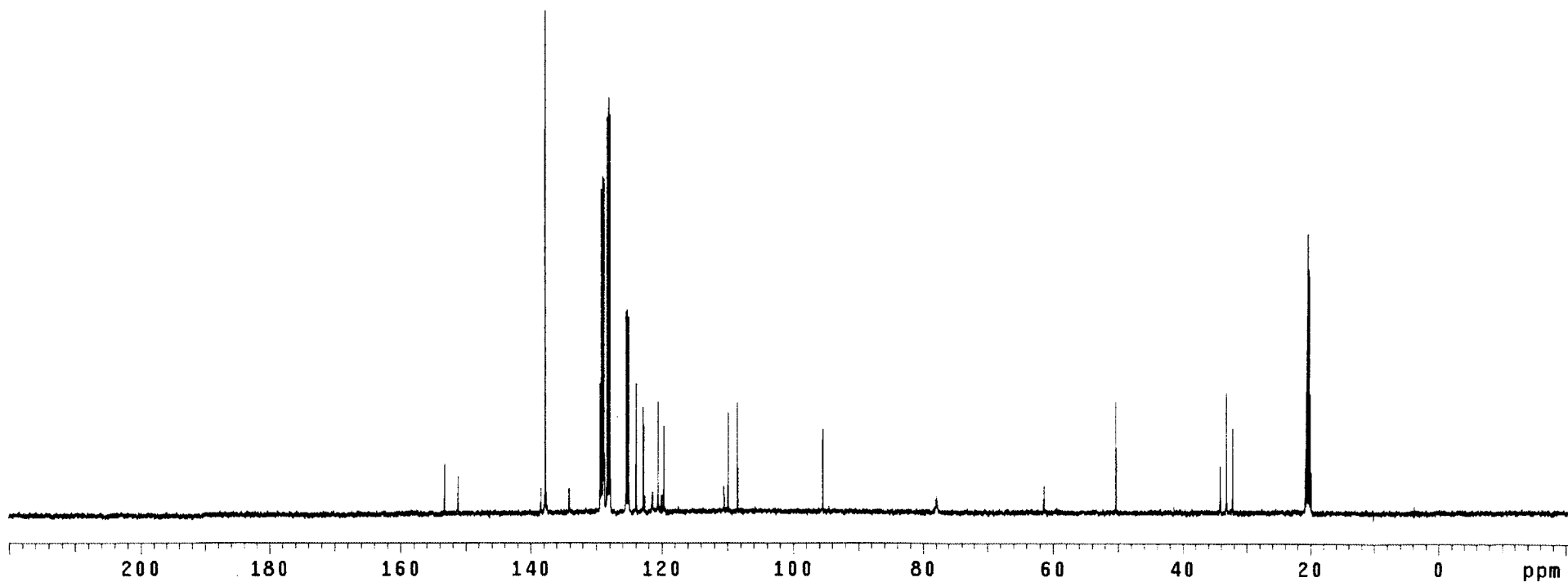
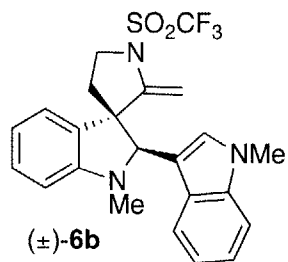
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WALTZ-16 modulated

DATA PROCESSING

Line broadening 2.0 Hz

FT size 131072

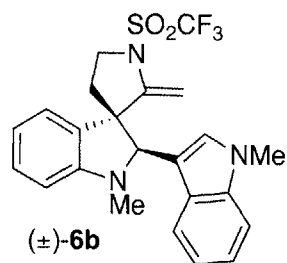


19F SENSITIVITY  
0.05% TRIFLUOROTOLUENE

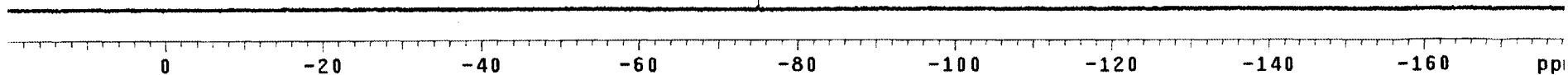
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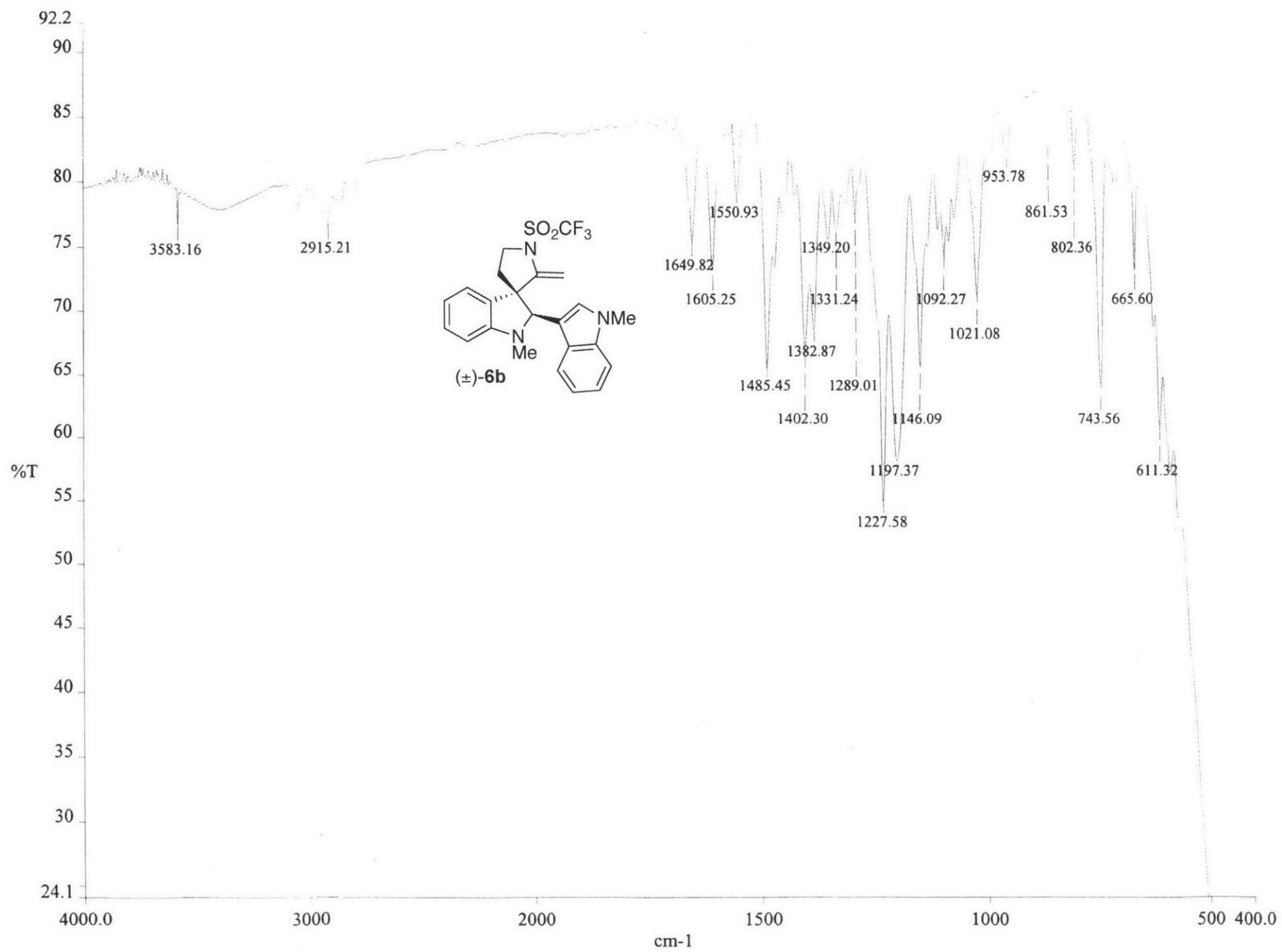
Solvent: toluene  
Temp. 100.0 C / 373.1 K

Relax. delay 2.000 sec  
Pulse 90.0 degrees  
Acq. time 0.232 sec  
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OBSERVE F19, 470.2272838 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072



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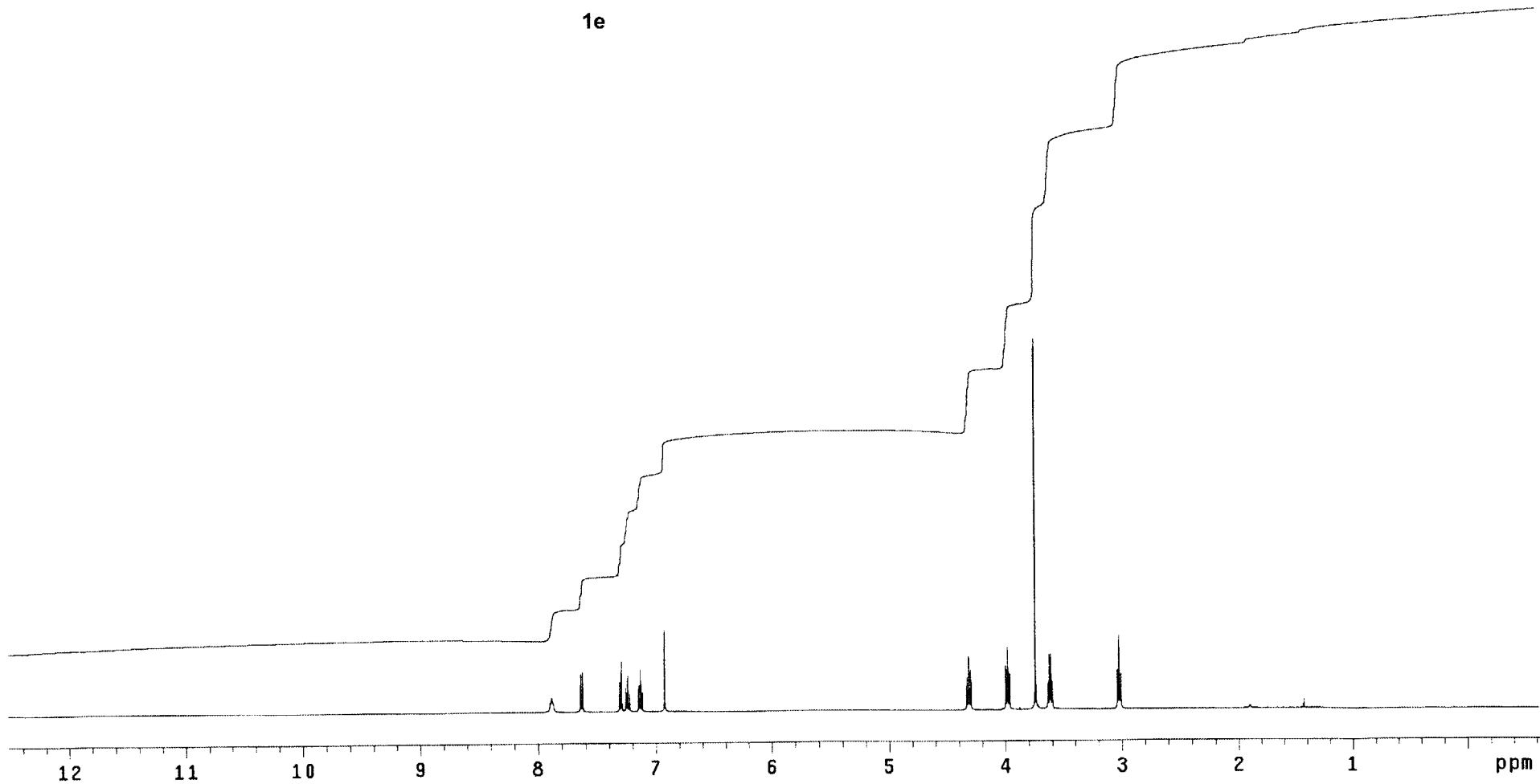
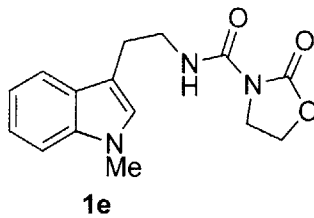
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 1.800 sec  
Pulse 90.0 degrees  
Acq. time 3.200 sec  
Width 10000.0 Hz  
32 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.2272234 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 131072



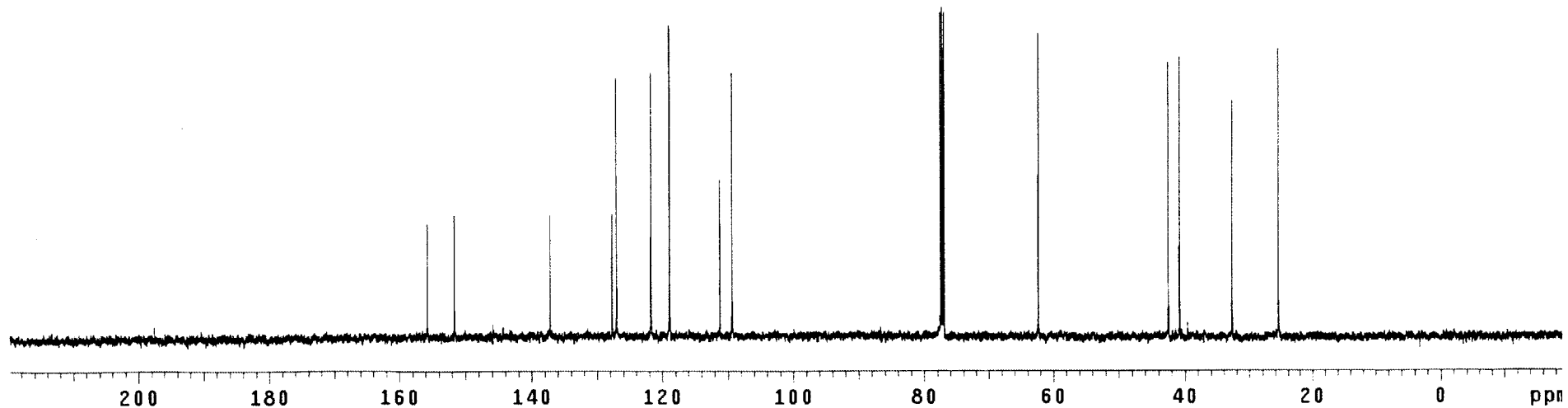
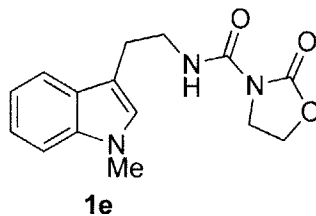
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

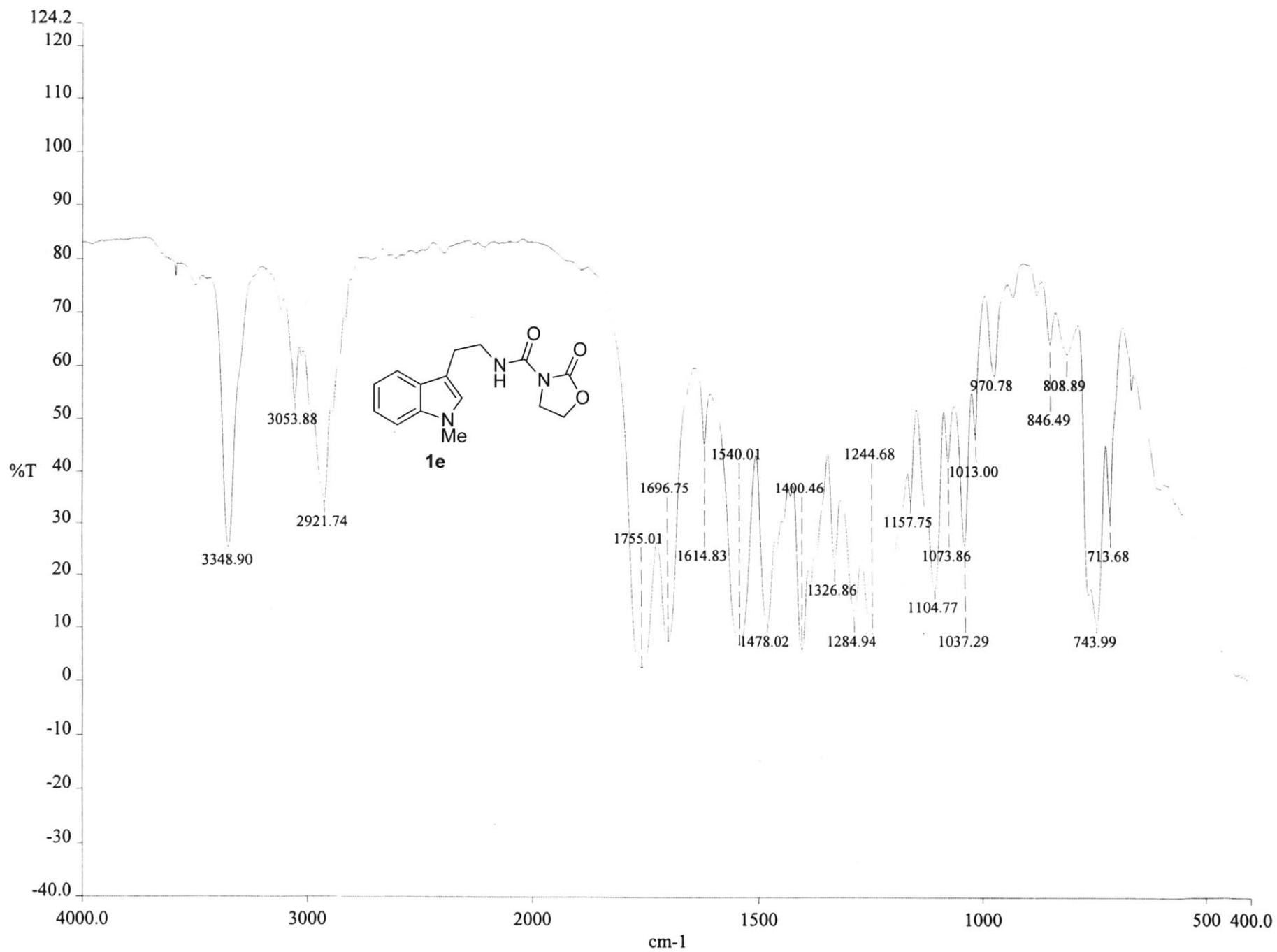
Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 37.8 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
320 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6601534 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442194 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 3.0 Hz  
FT size 131072



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STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: toluene

Temp. 100.0 C / 373.1 K

Relax. delay 2.000 sec

Pulse 84.1 degrees

Acq. time 3.001 sec

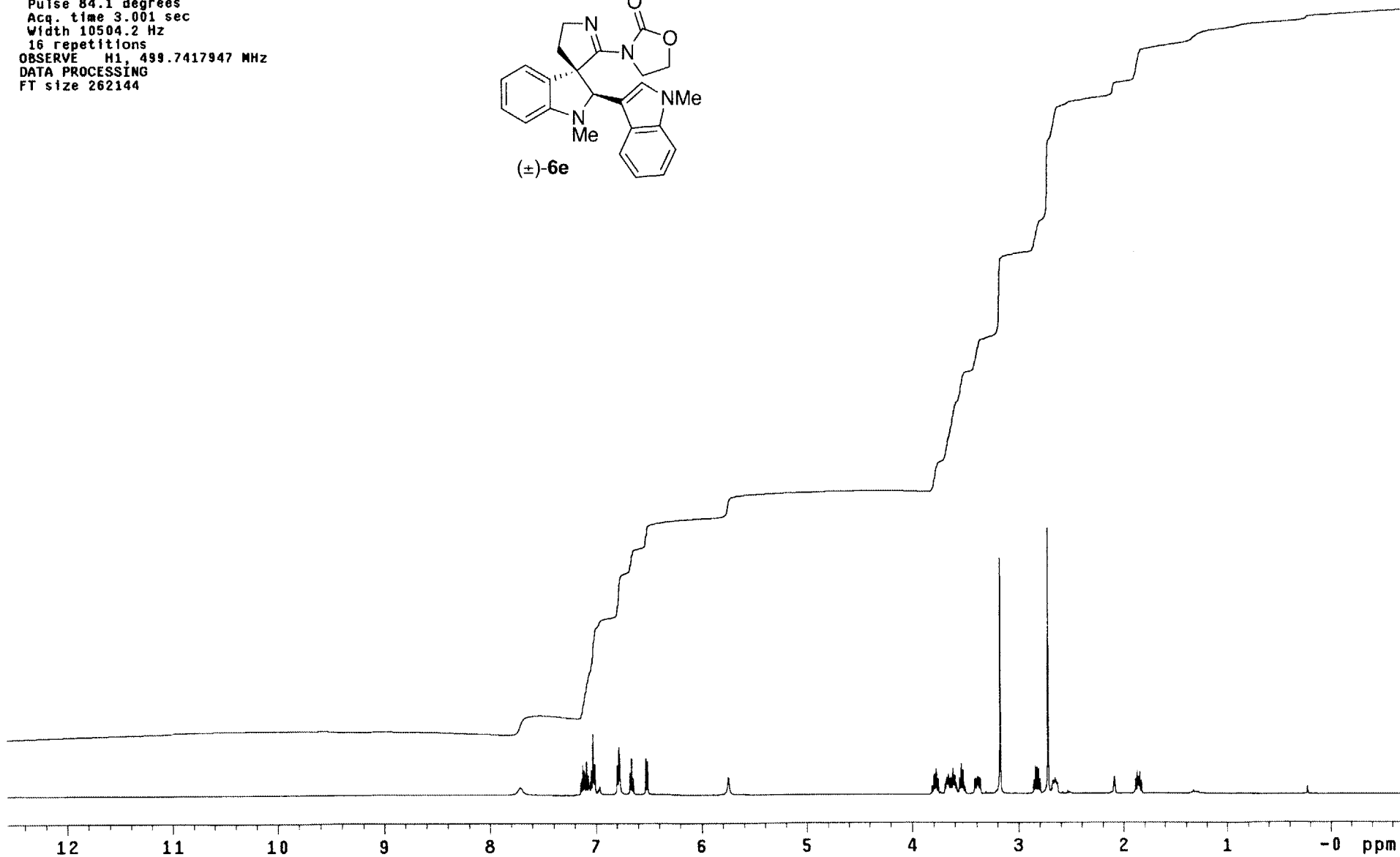
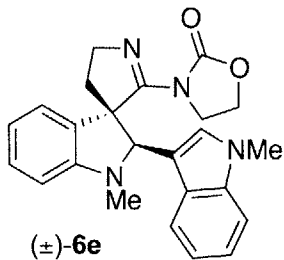
Width 10504.2 Hz

16 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 499.7417947 MHz

DATA PROCESSING

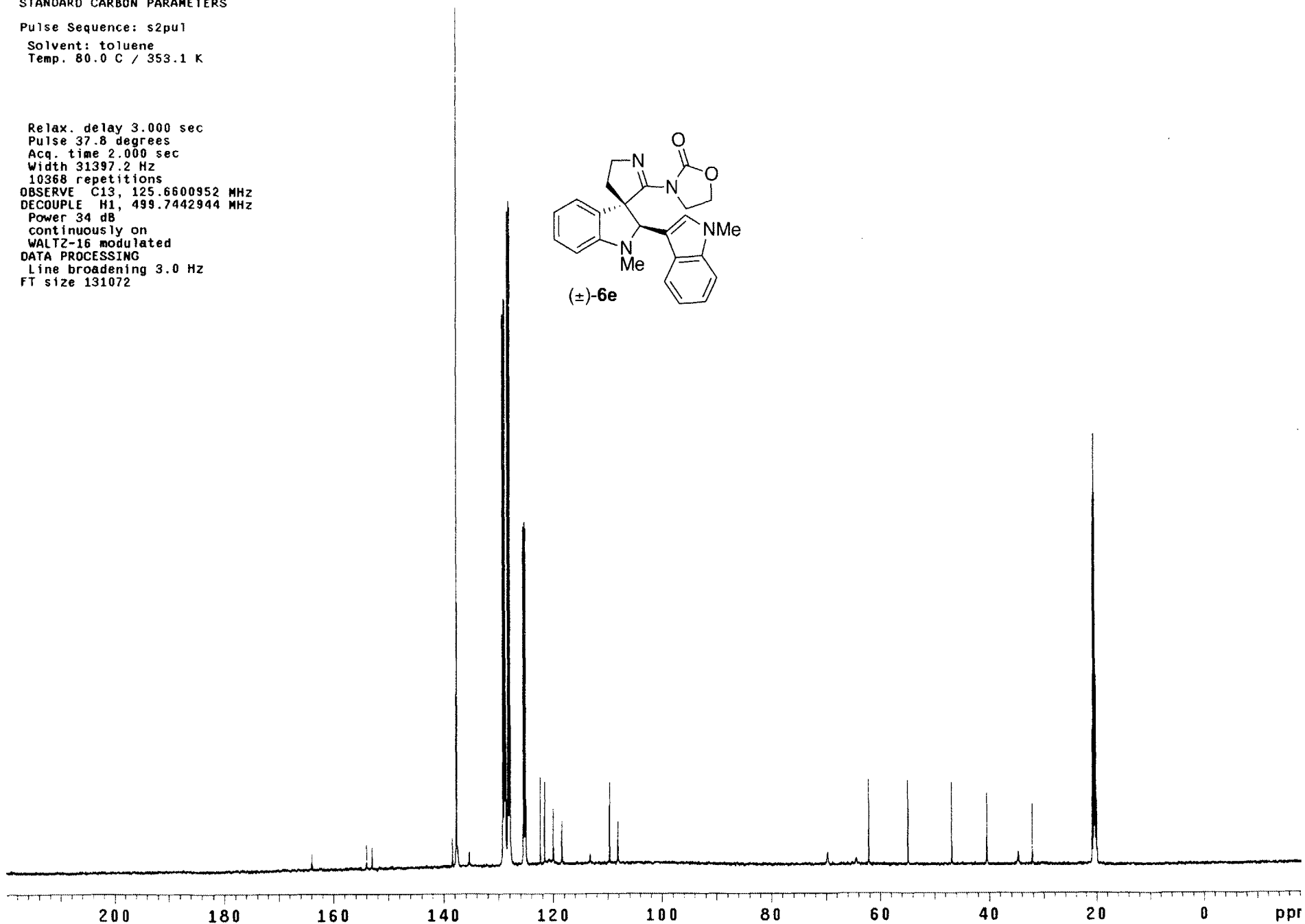
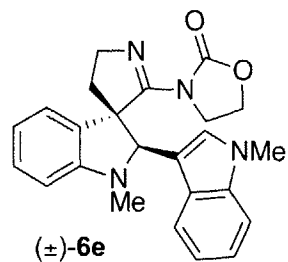
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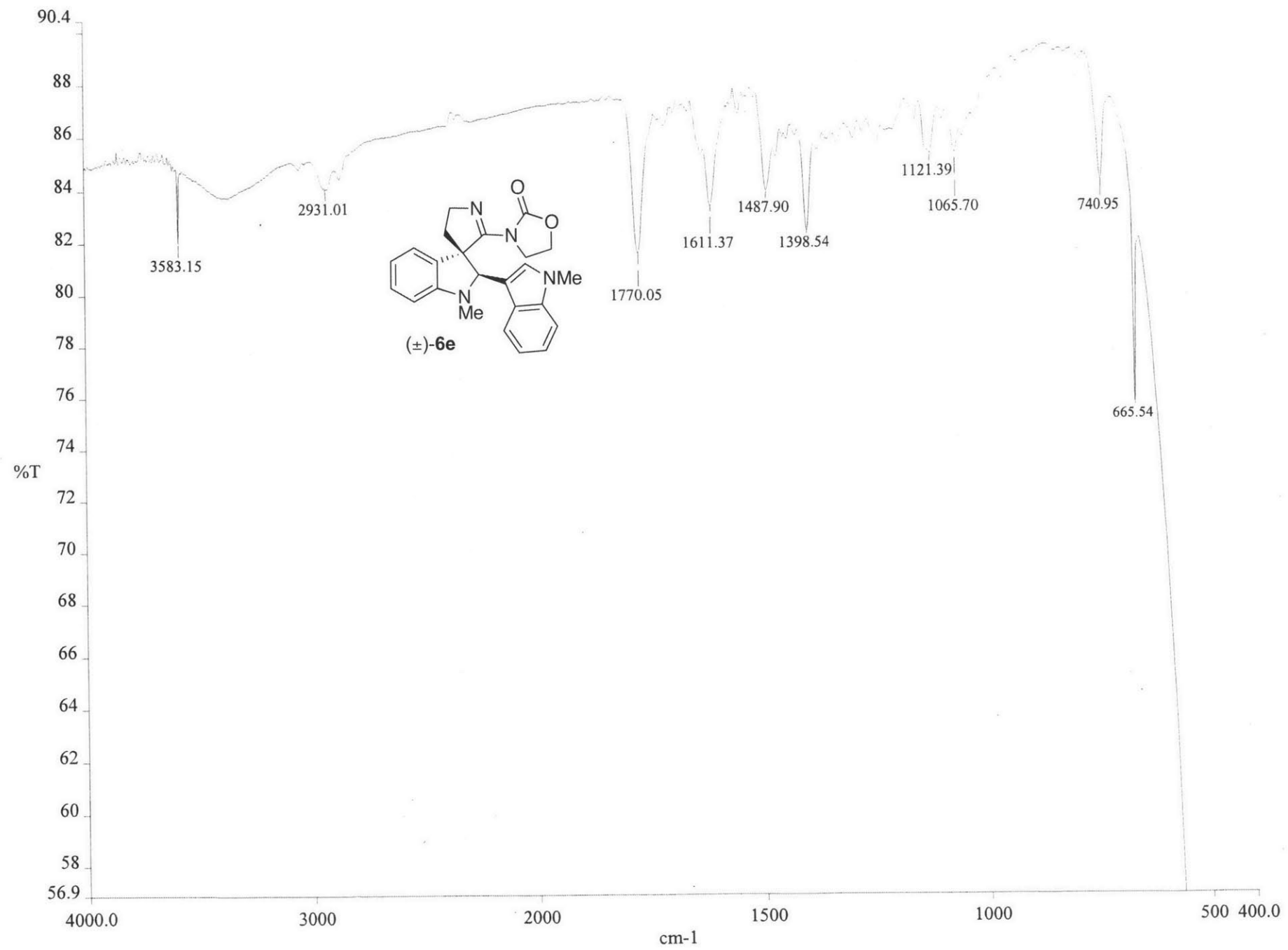


STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1  
Solvent: toluene  
Temp. 80.0 C / 353.1 K

Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 37.8 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
10368 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6600952 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442944 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 3.0 Hz  
FT size 131072







STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 1.800 sec

Pulse 90.0 degrees

Acq. time 3.200 sec

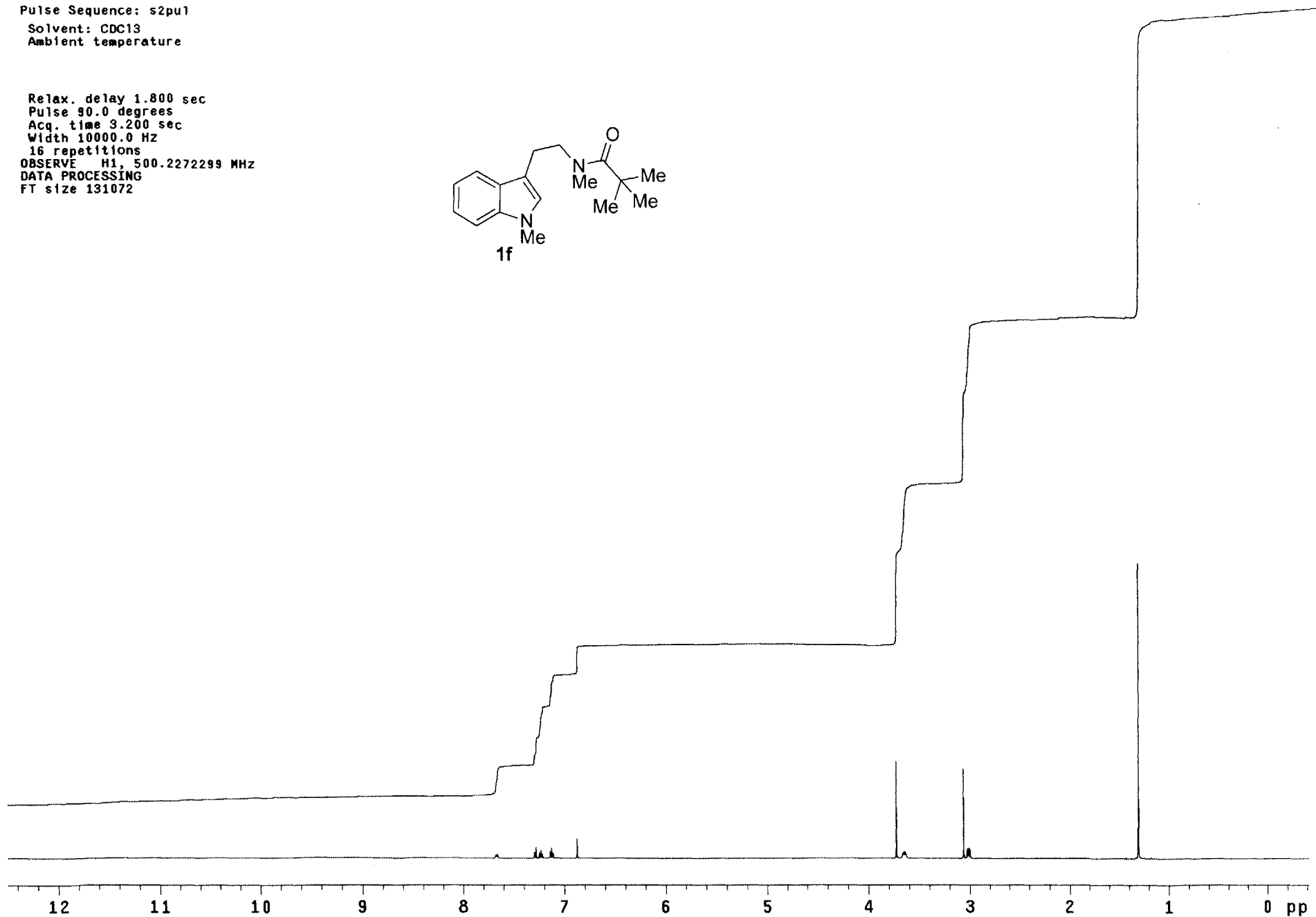
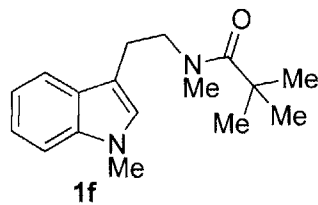
Width 10000.0 Hz

16 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 500.2272299 MHz

DATA PROCESSING

FT size 131072



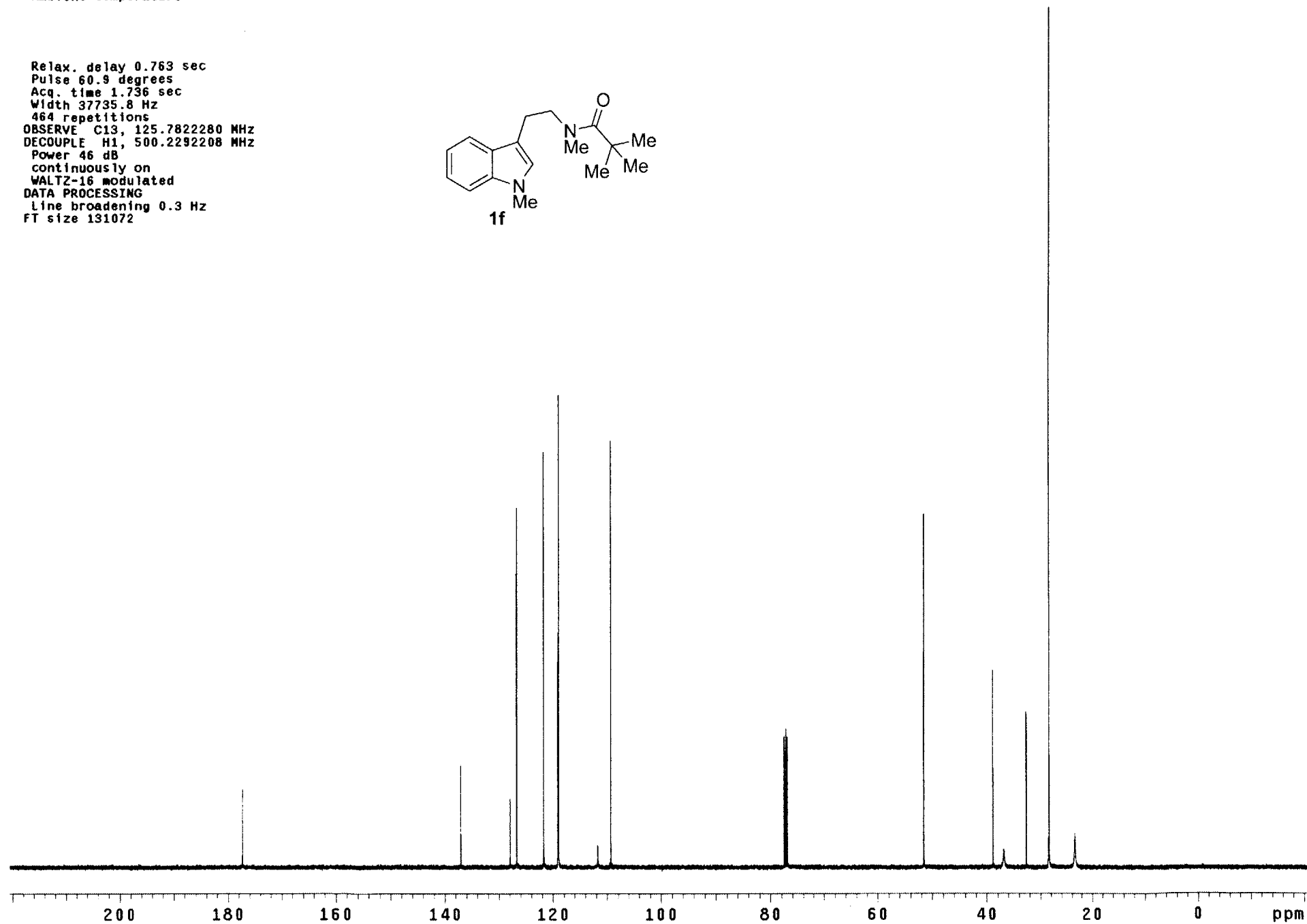
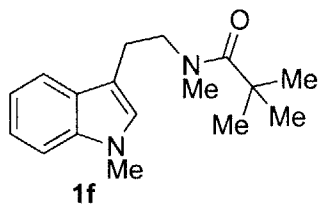
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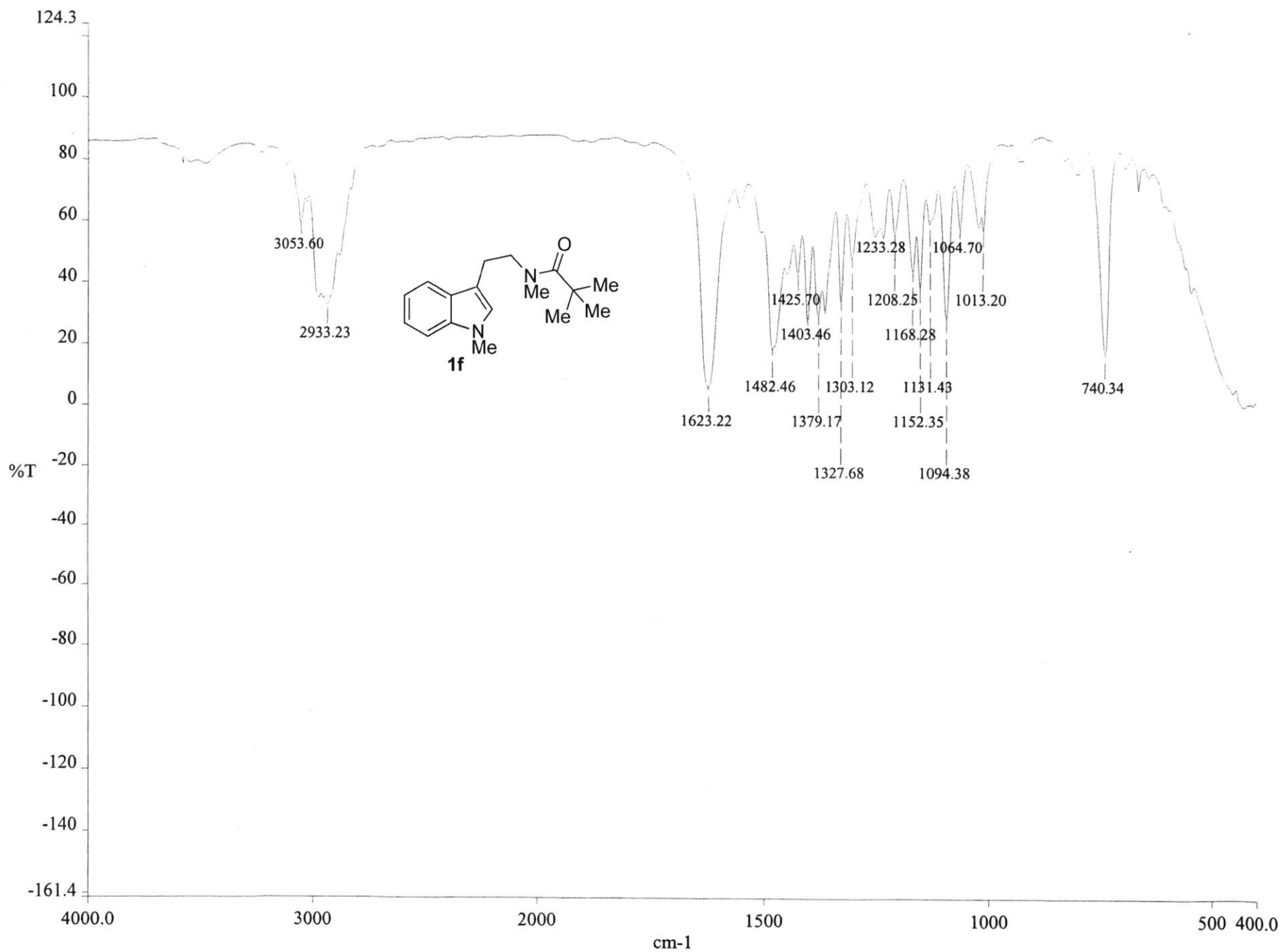
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 60.9 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
464 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822280 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 46 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072





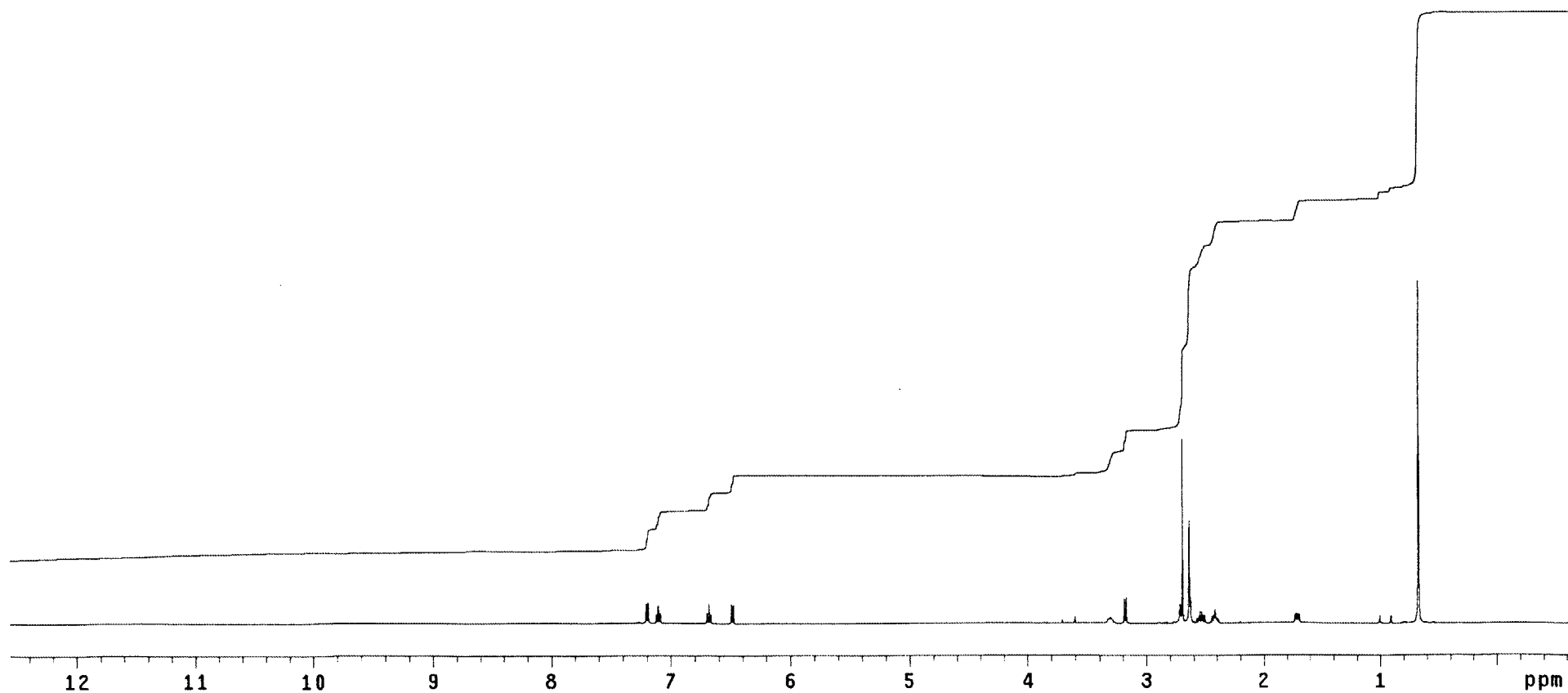
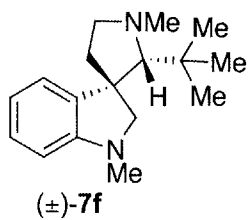
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 2.000 sec  
Pulse 84.1 degrees  
Acq. time 3.001 sec  
Width 10504.2 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 499.7417505 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



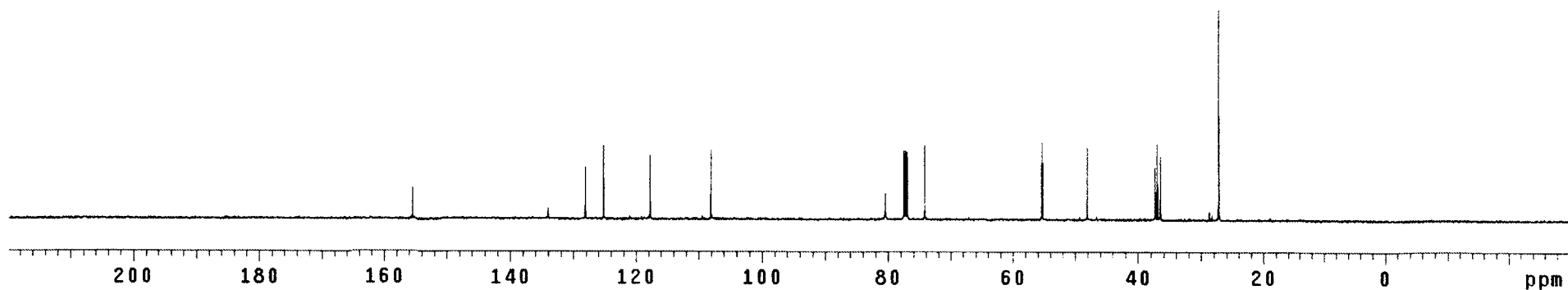
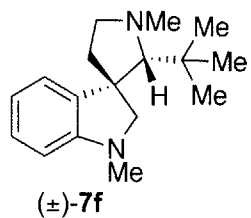
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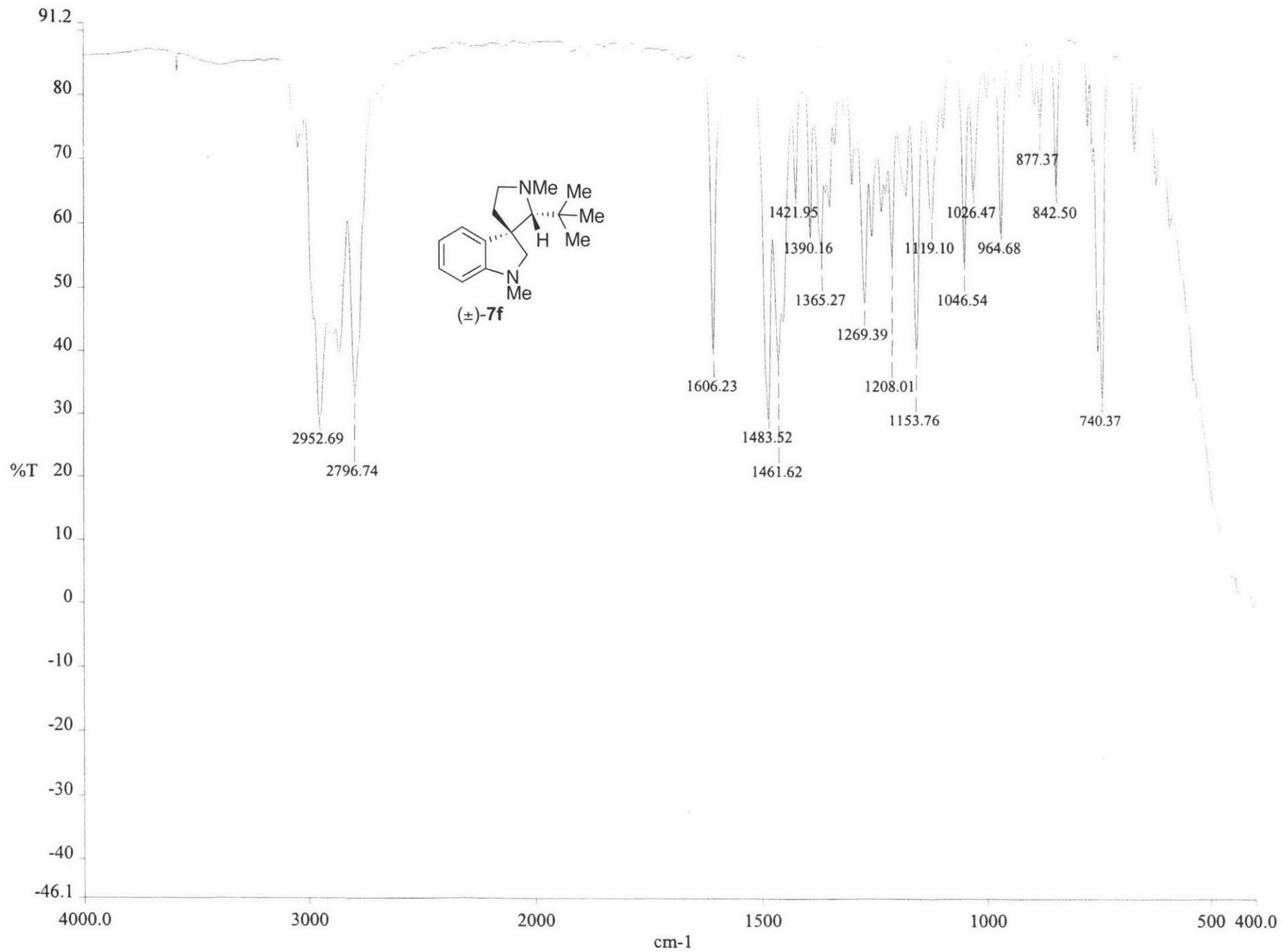
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 37.8 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
358 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6601405 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442194 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 3.0 Hz  
FT size 131072





STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 2.000 sec

Pulse 84.1 degrees

Acq. time 3.001 sec

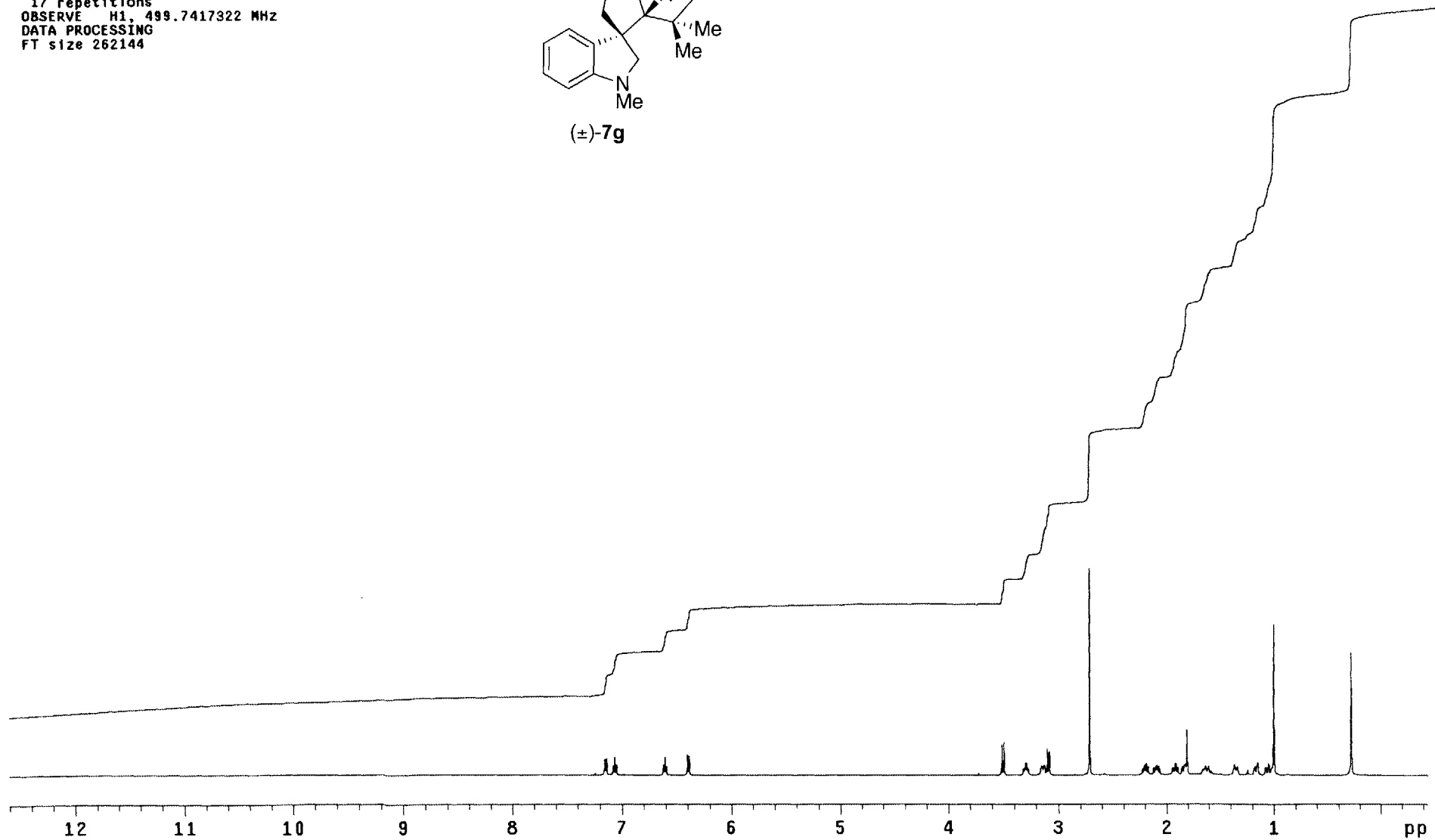
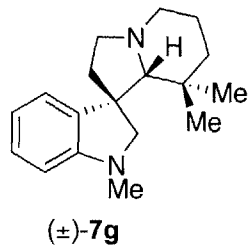
Width 10504.2 Hz

17 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 499.7417322 MHz

DATA PROCESSING

FT size 262144





STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec

Pulse 60.9 degrees

Acq. time 1.736 sec

Width 37735.8 Hz

2165 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 125.7822072 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz

Power 46 dB

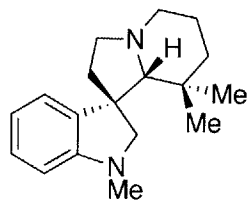
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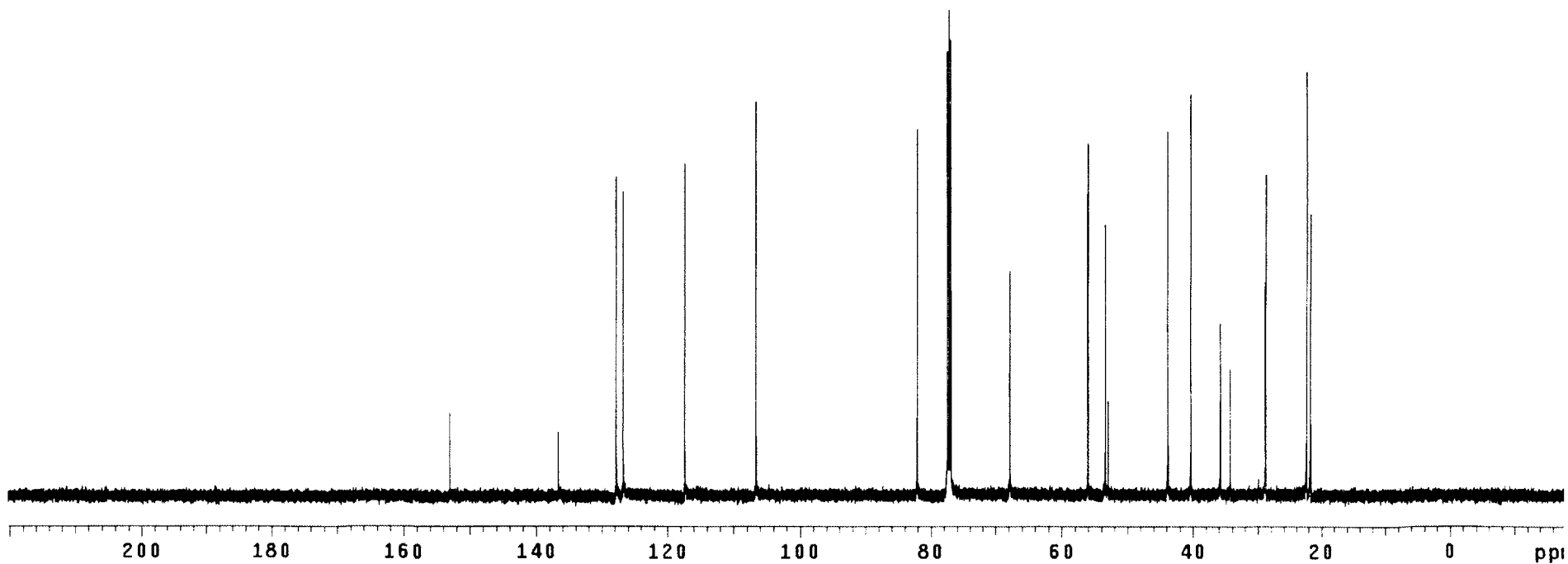
DATA PROCESSING

Line broadening 0.3 Hz

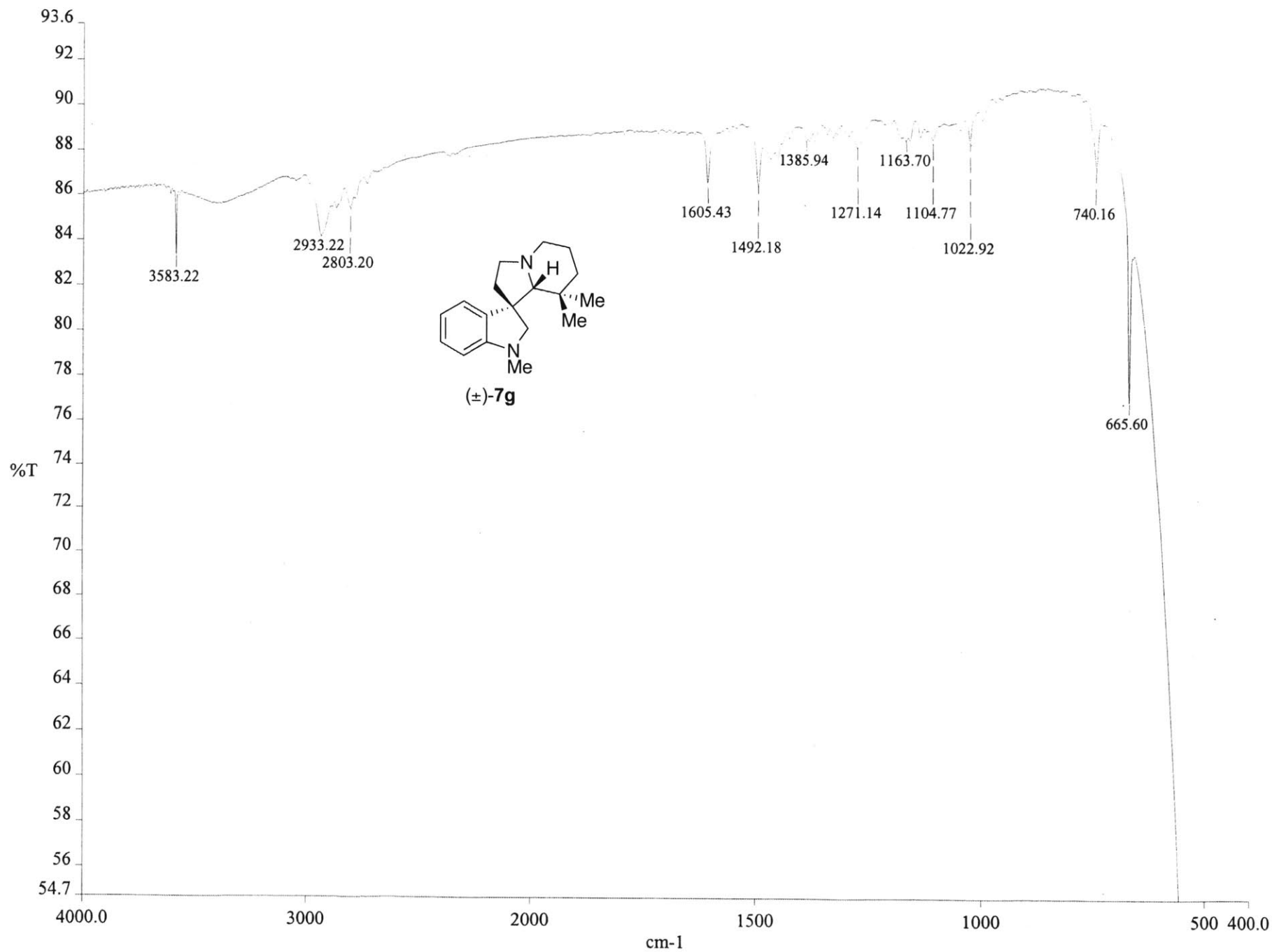
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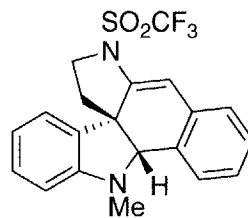
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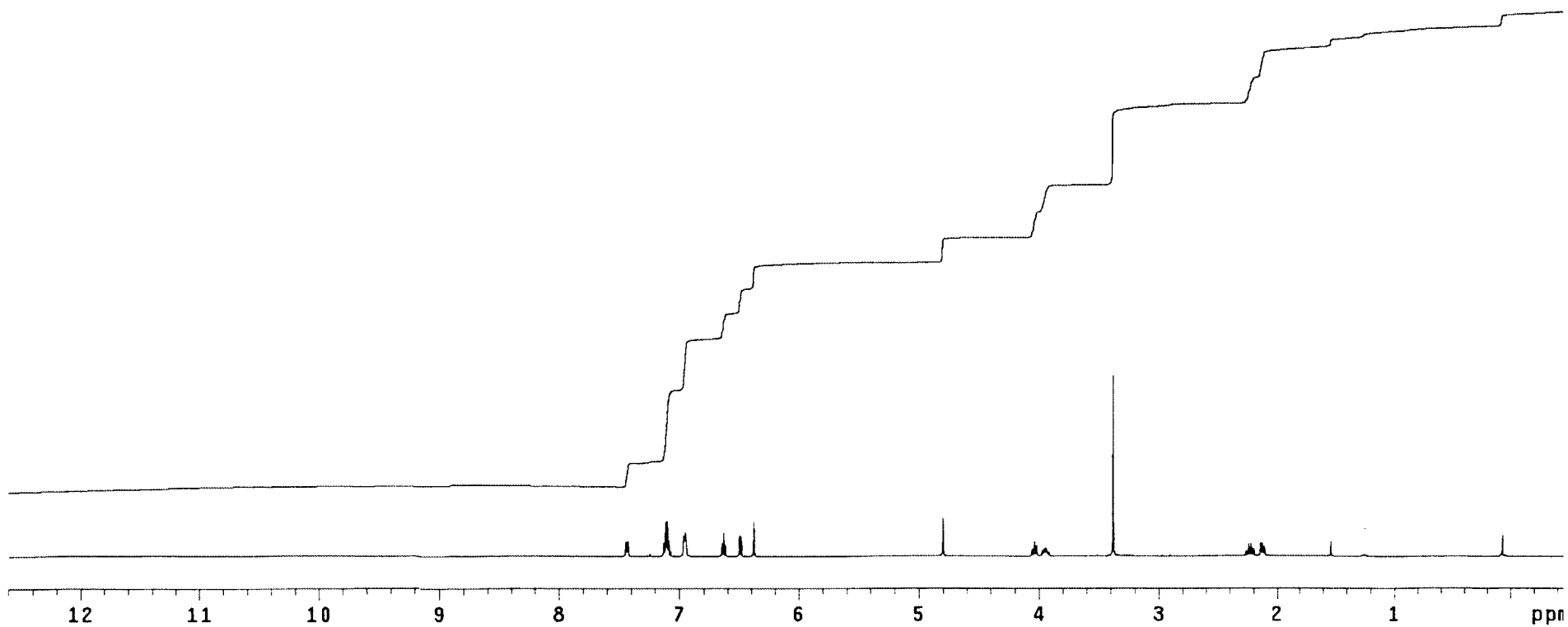
Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 2.000 sec  
Pulse 81.5 degrees  
Acq. time 3.001 sec  
Width 10504.2 Hz  
4 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 499.7417343 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



(±)-8h



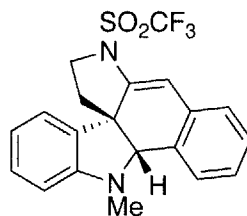
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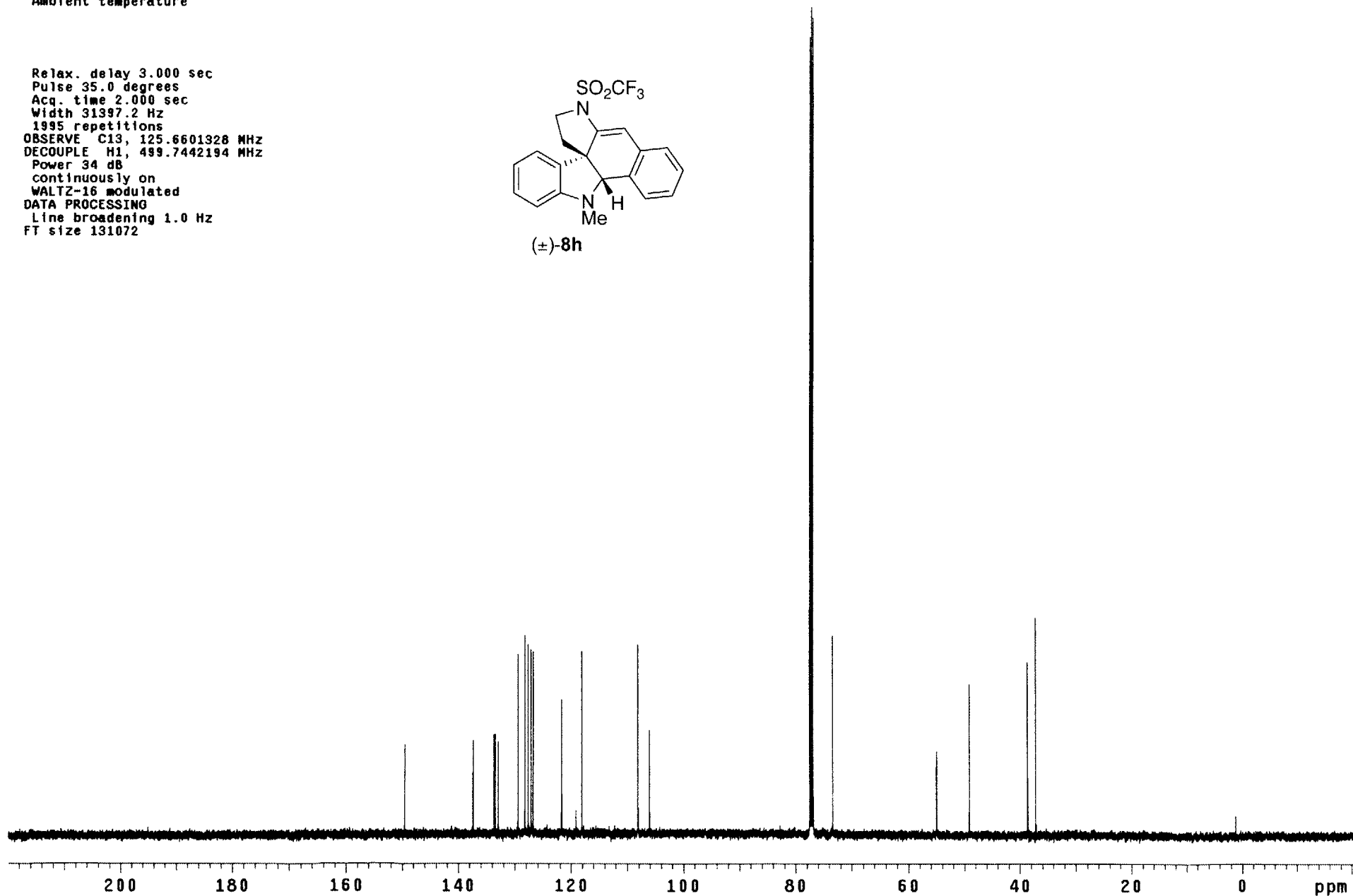
Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 35.0 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
1995 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6601328 MHz  
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Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072



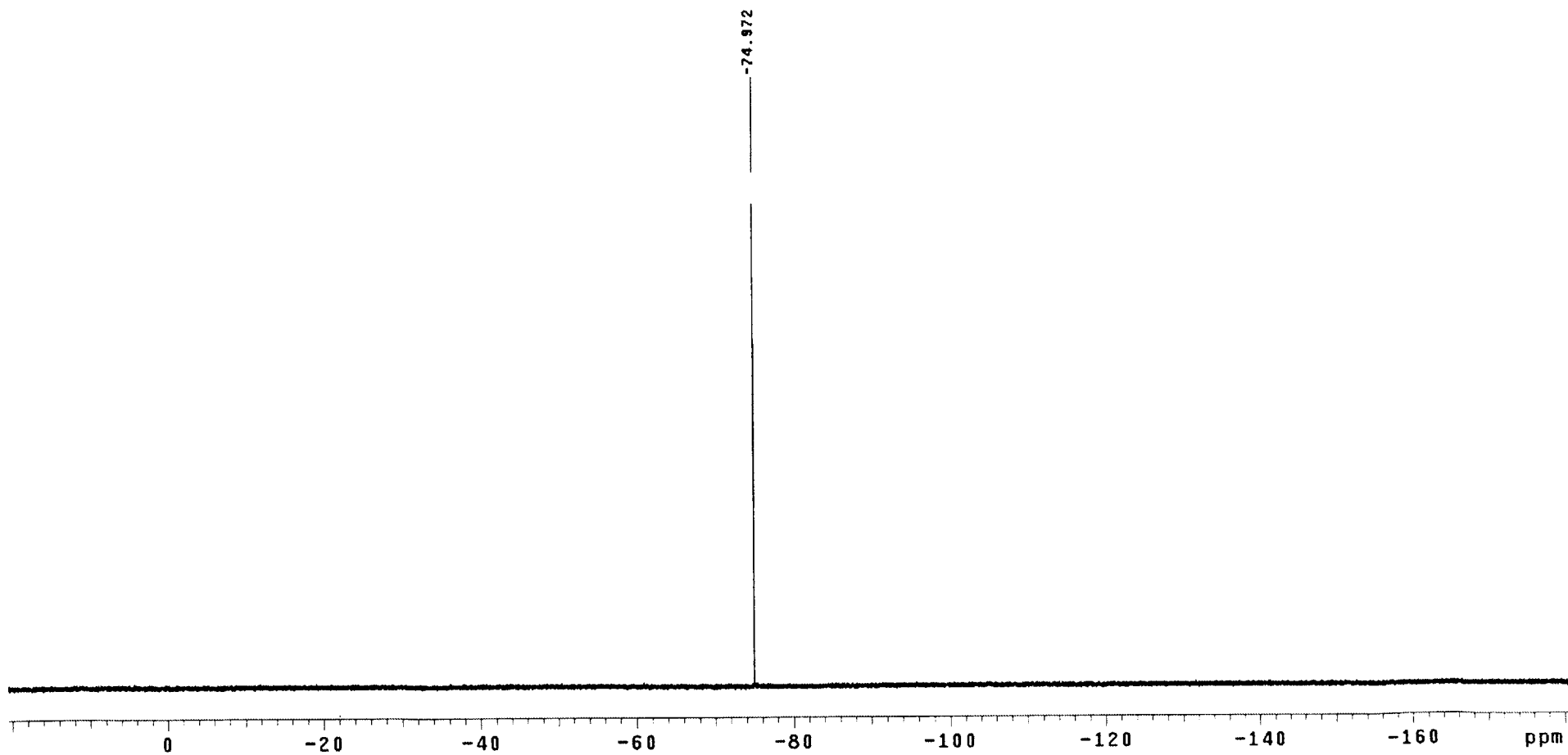
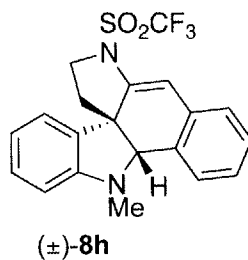
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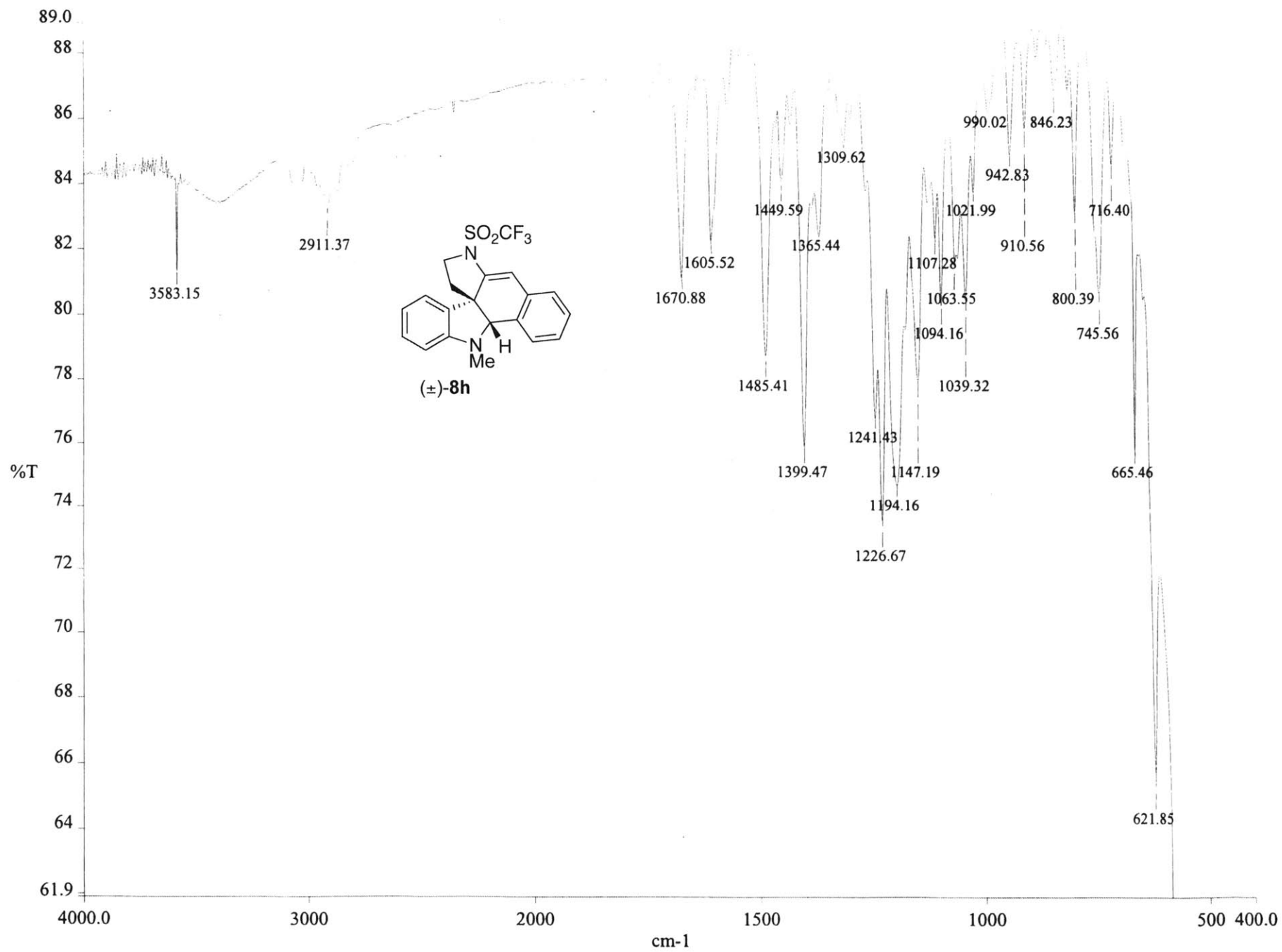


19F SENSITIVITY  
0.05% TRIFLUOROTOLUENE

Pulse Sequence: s2pul  
Solvent: CDC13  
Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 2.000 sec  
Pulse 90.0 degrees  
Acq. time 0.232 sec  
Width 140.8 kHz  
11 repetitions  
OBSERVE F19, 470.2272133 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072





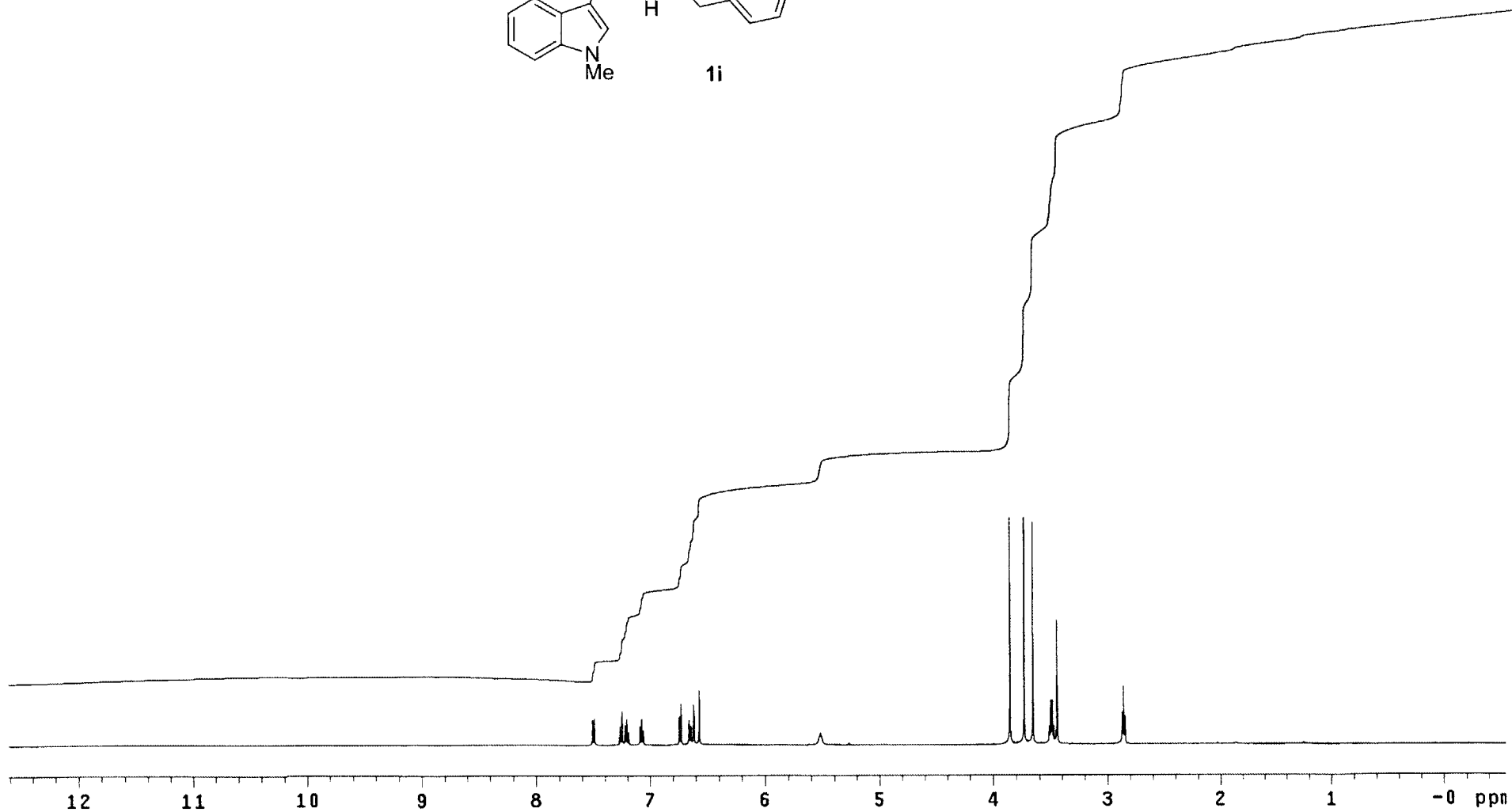
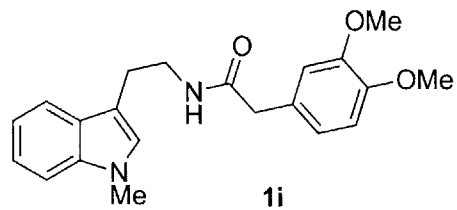
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 1.800 sec  
Pulse 90.0 degrees  
Acq. time 3.200 sec  
Width 10000.0 Hz  
3 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.227281 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 131072





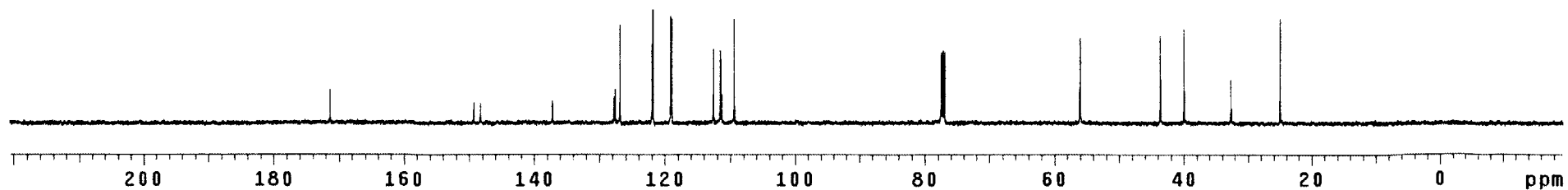
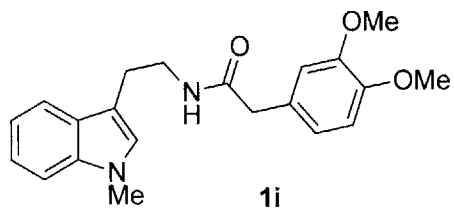
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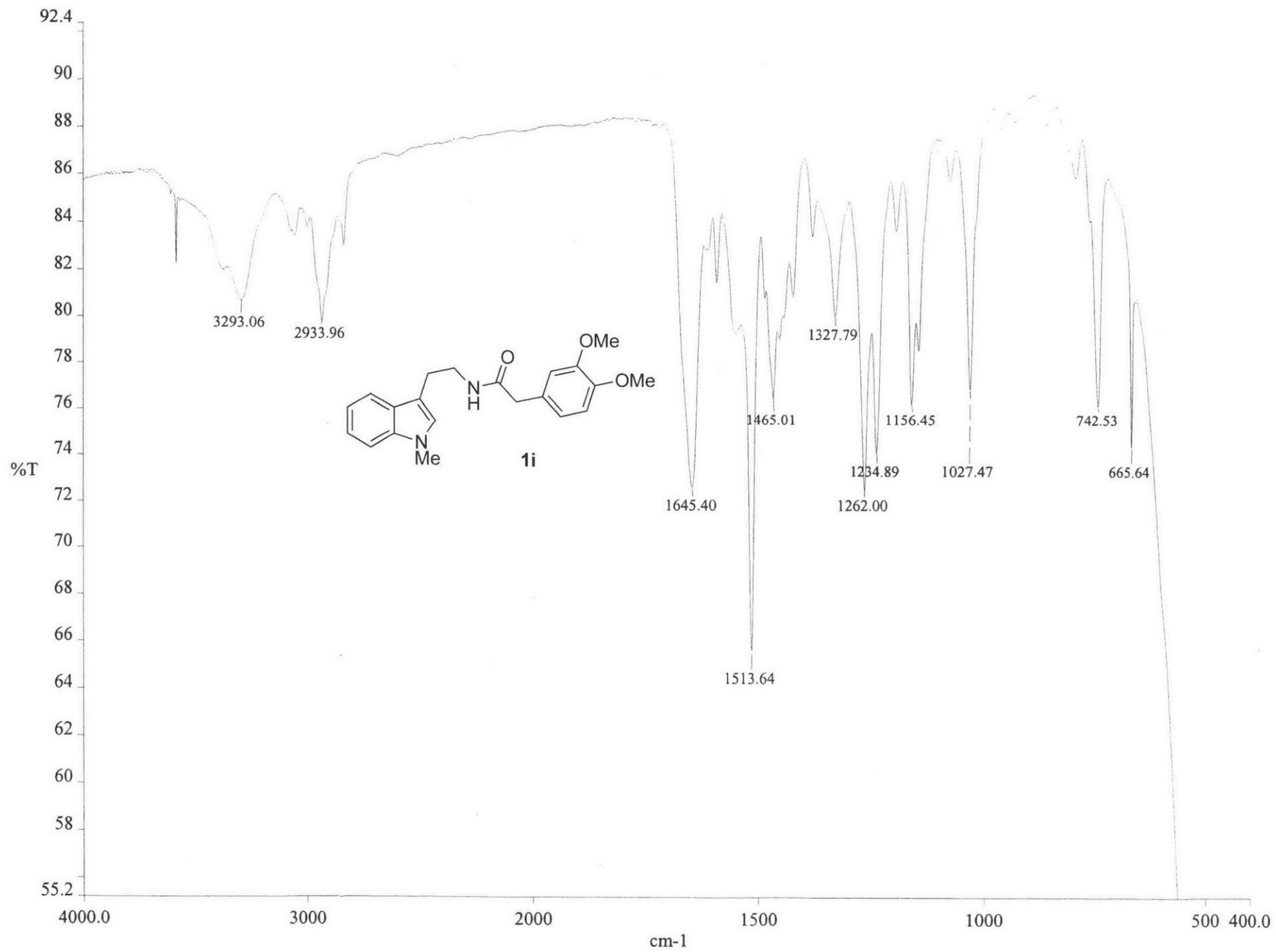
Pulse Sequence: s2pul

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 60.9 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
108 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822170 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 46 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 2.0 Hz  
FT size 131072





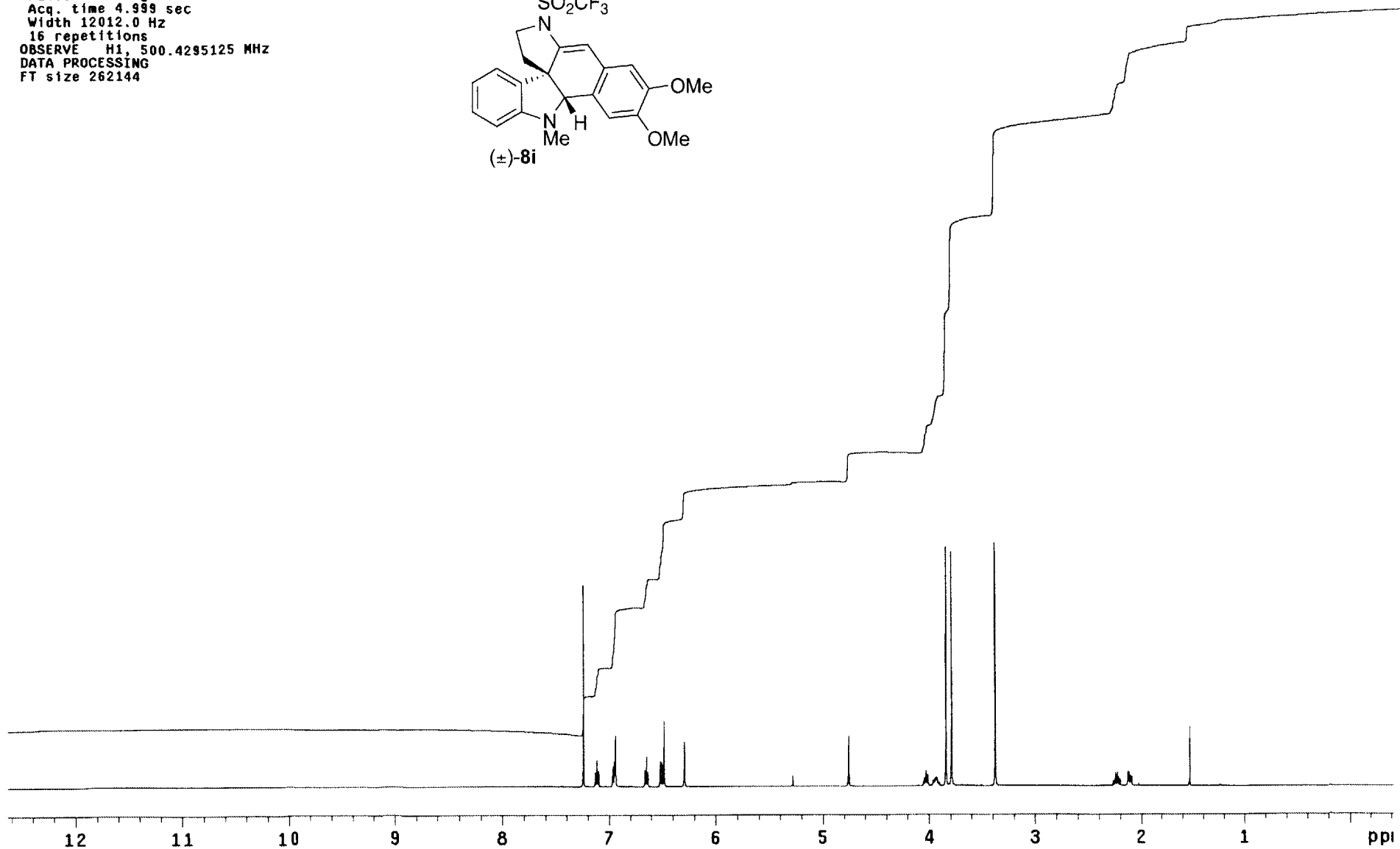
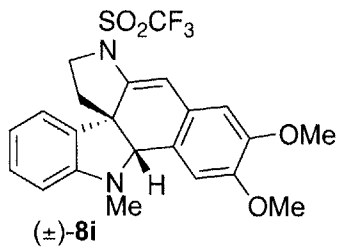
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
Pulse 73.1 degrees  
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Width 12012.0 Hz  
16 repetitions  
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DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



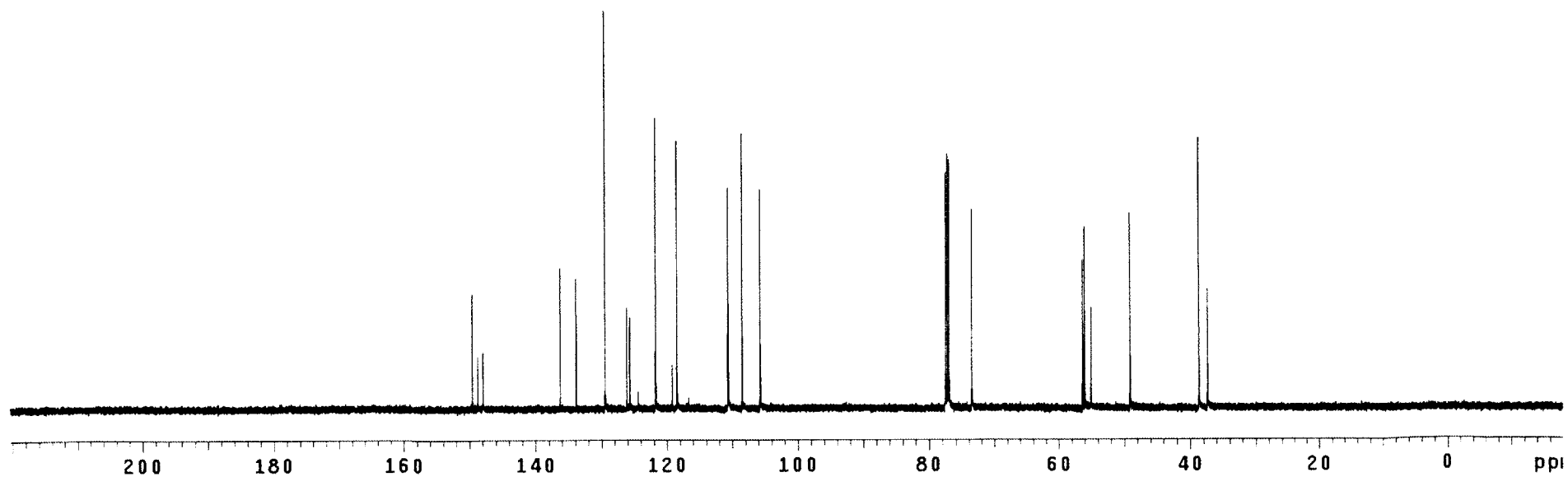
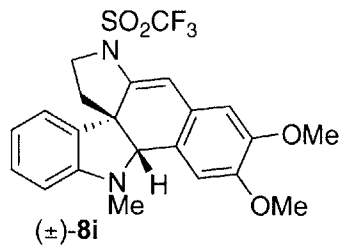
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

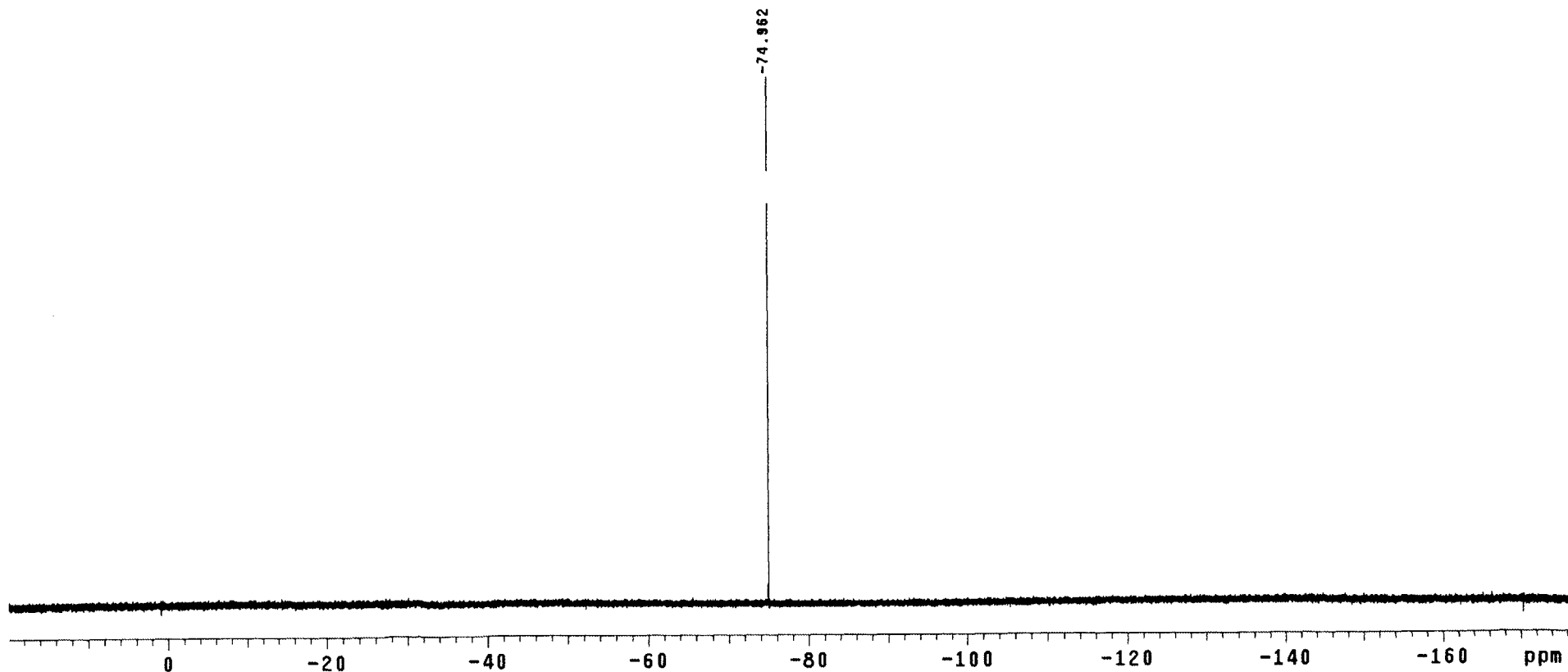
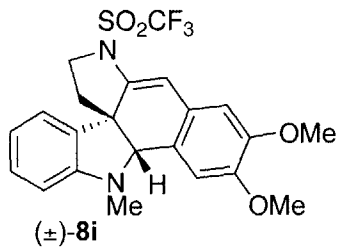
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Width 37735.8 Hz  
1272 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822107 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 46 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072

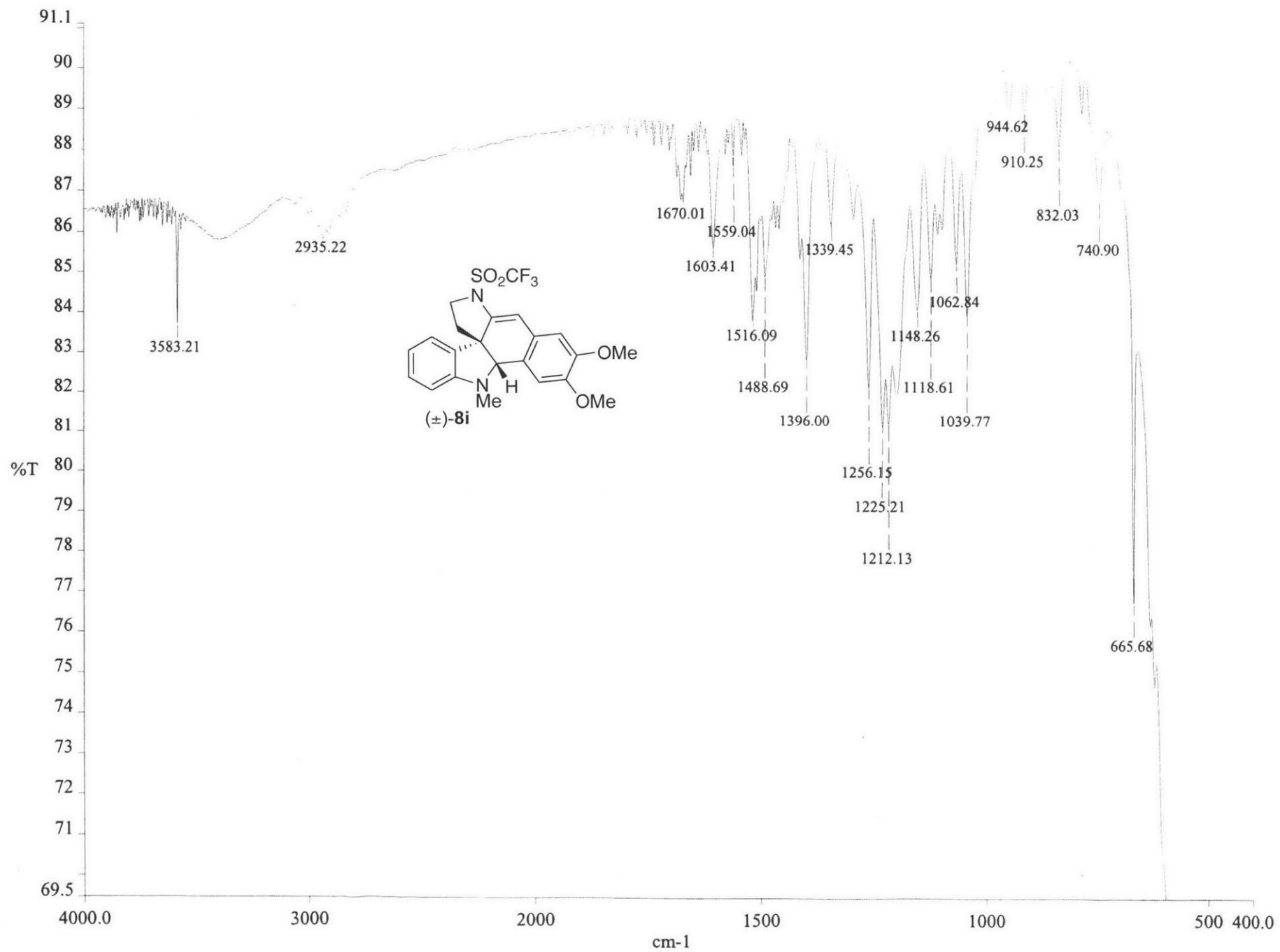


19F OBSERVE  
STANDARD PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1  
Solvent: CDC13  
Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 4.000 sec  
Pulse 45.0 degrees  
Acq. time 0.300 sec  
Width 100.0 kHz  
11 repetitions  
OBSERVE F19, 282.3814158 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 262144





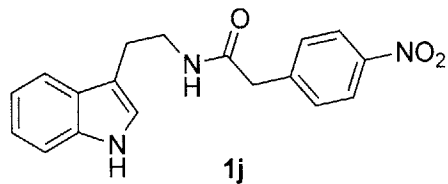
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

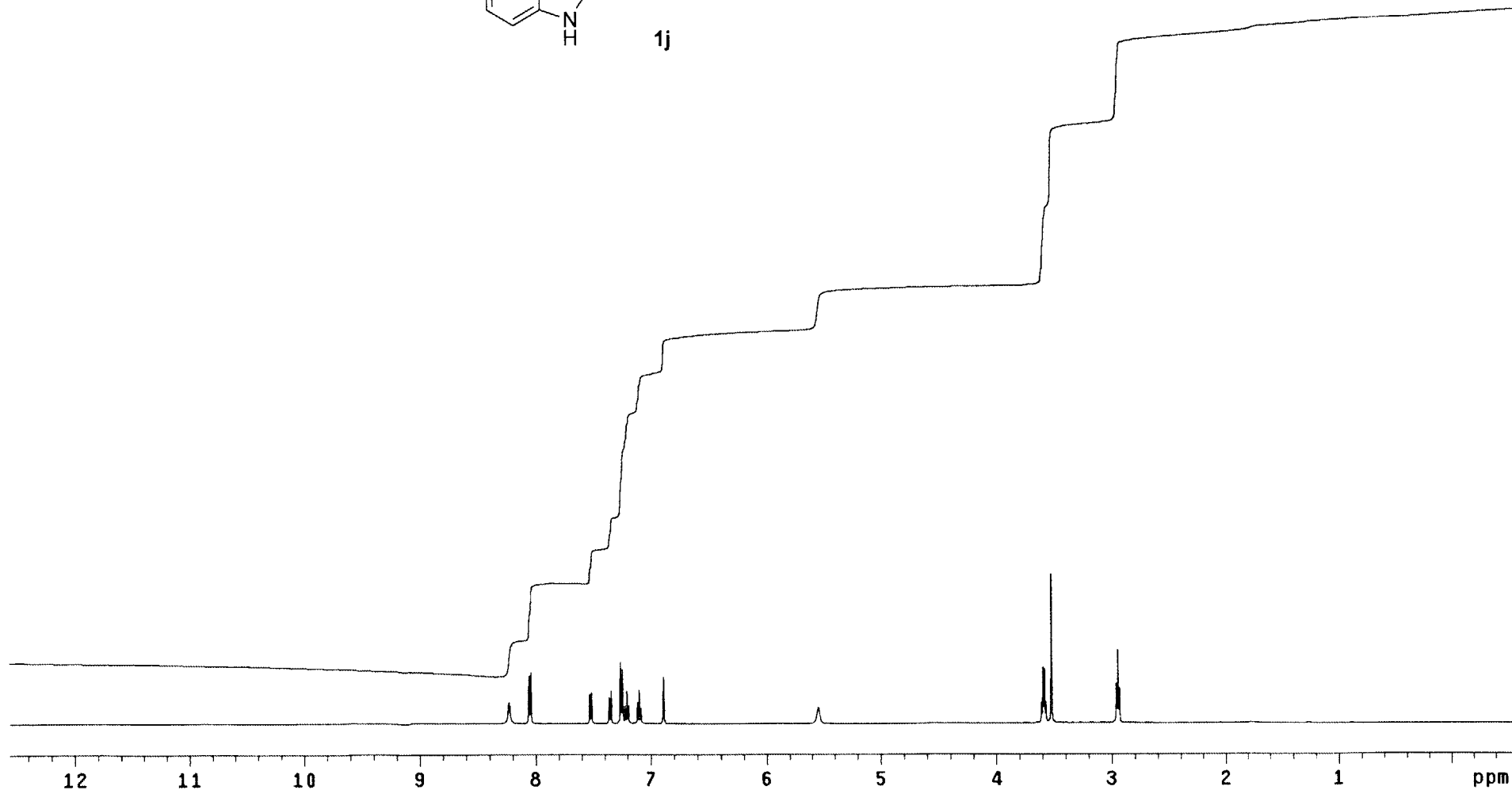
Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 1.800 sec  
Pulse 90.0 degrees  
Acq. time 3.200 sec  
Width 10000.0 Hz  
4 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.2272224 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 131072



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STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec

Pulse 60.9 degrees

Acq. time 1.736 sec

Width 37735.8 Hz

65536 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 125.7822130 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz

Power 46 dB

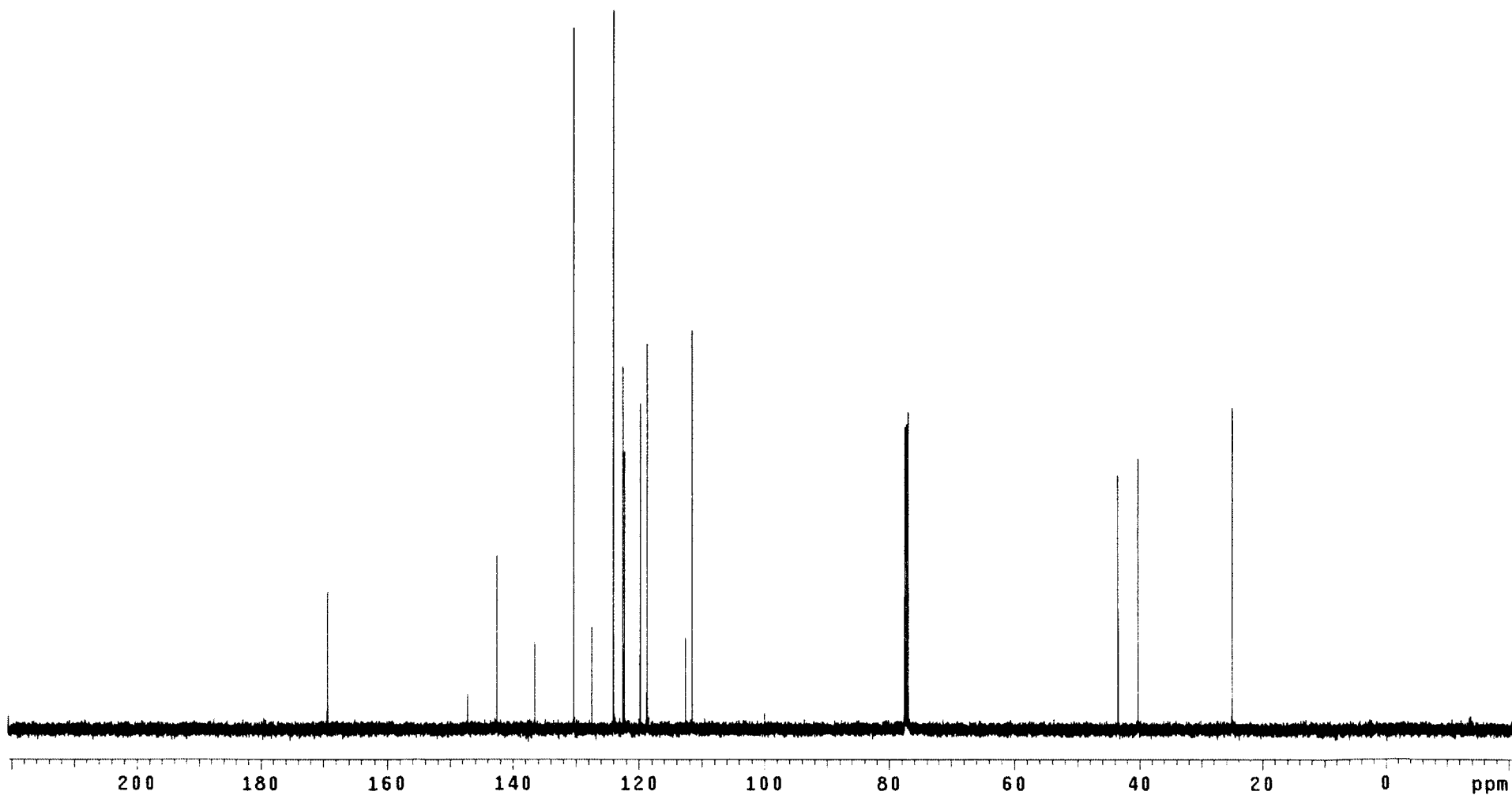
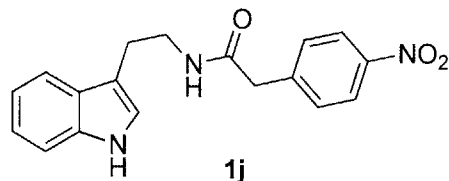
continuously on

WALTZ-16 modulated

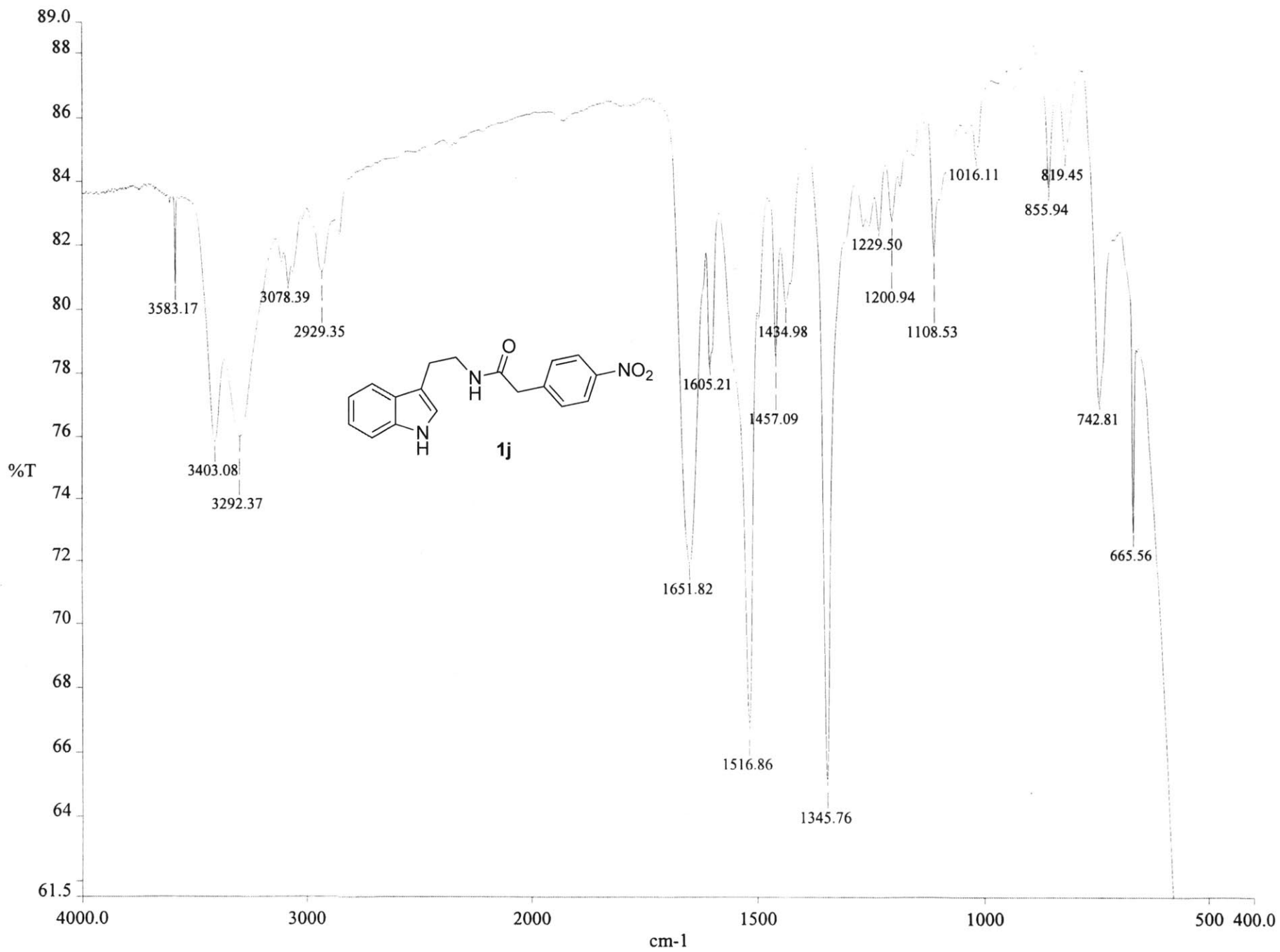
DATA PROCESSING

Line broadening 0.3 Hz

FT size 131072



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STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.100 sec

Pulse 72.4 degrees

Acq. time 4.999 sec

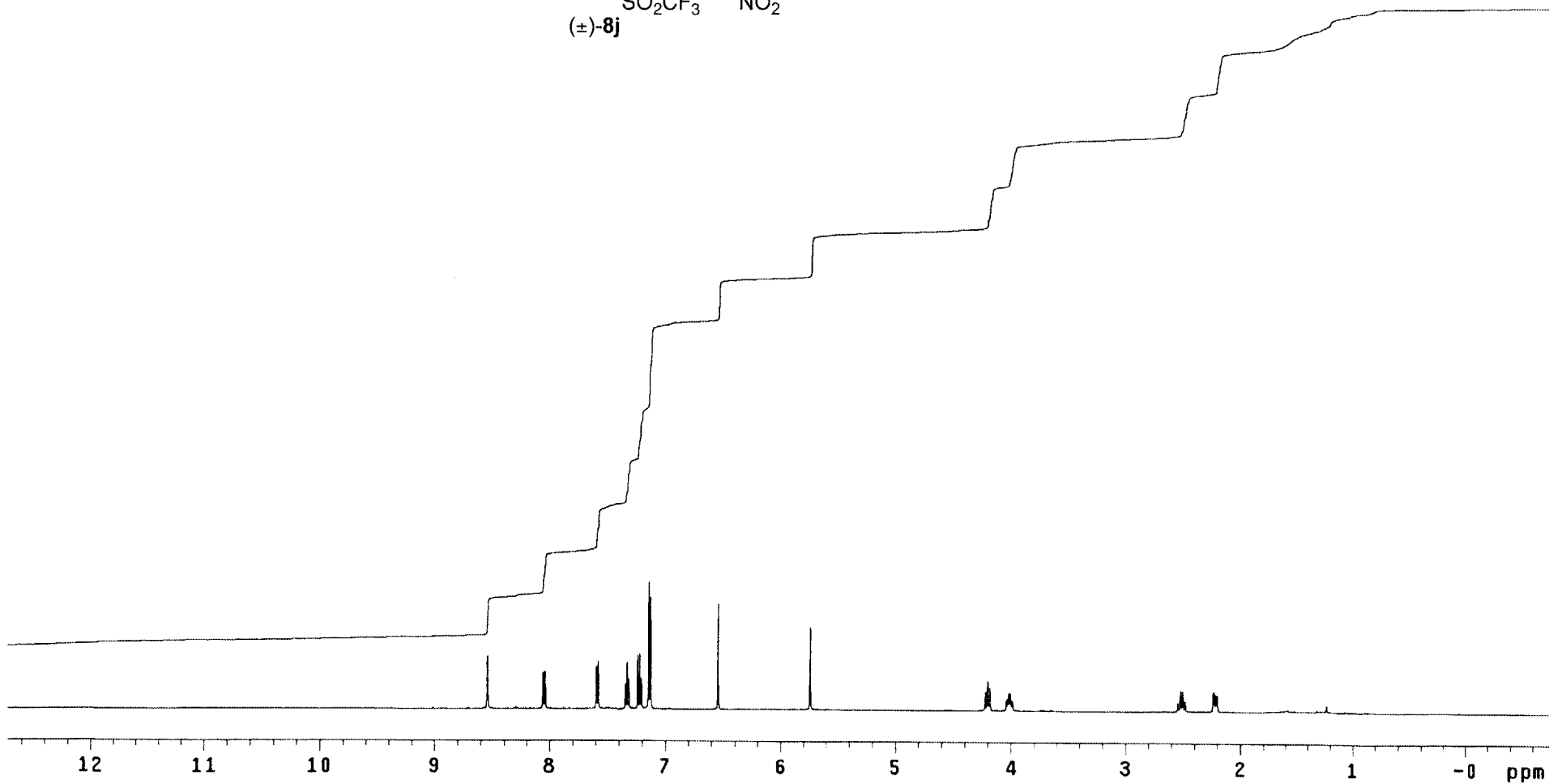
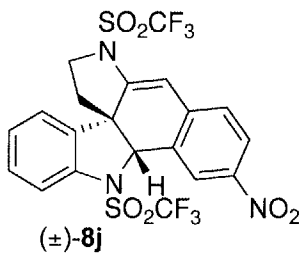
Width 12012.0 Hz

20 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 500.4252876 MHz

DATA PROCESSING

FT size 262144



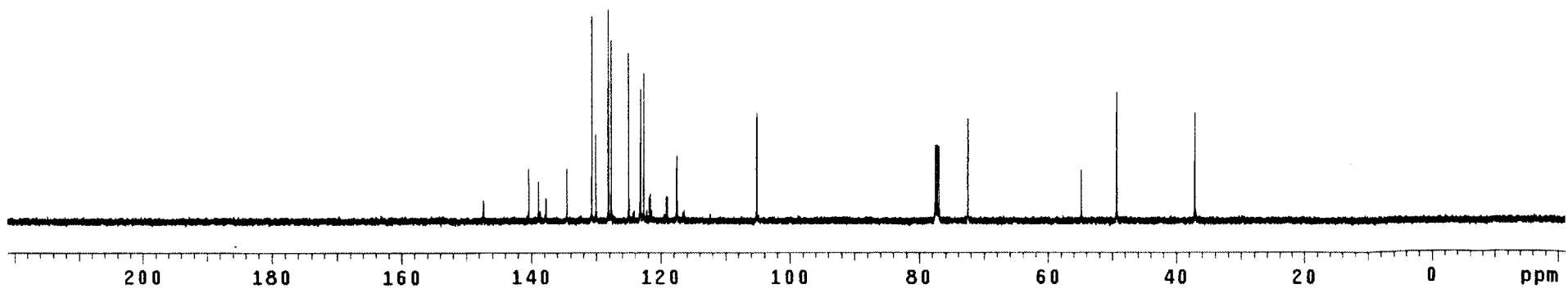
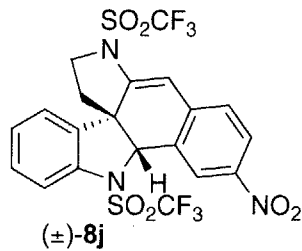
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

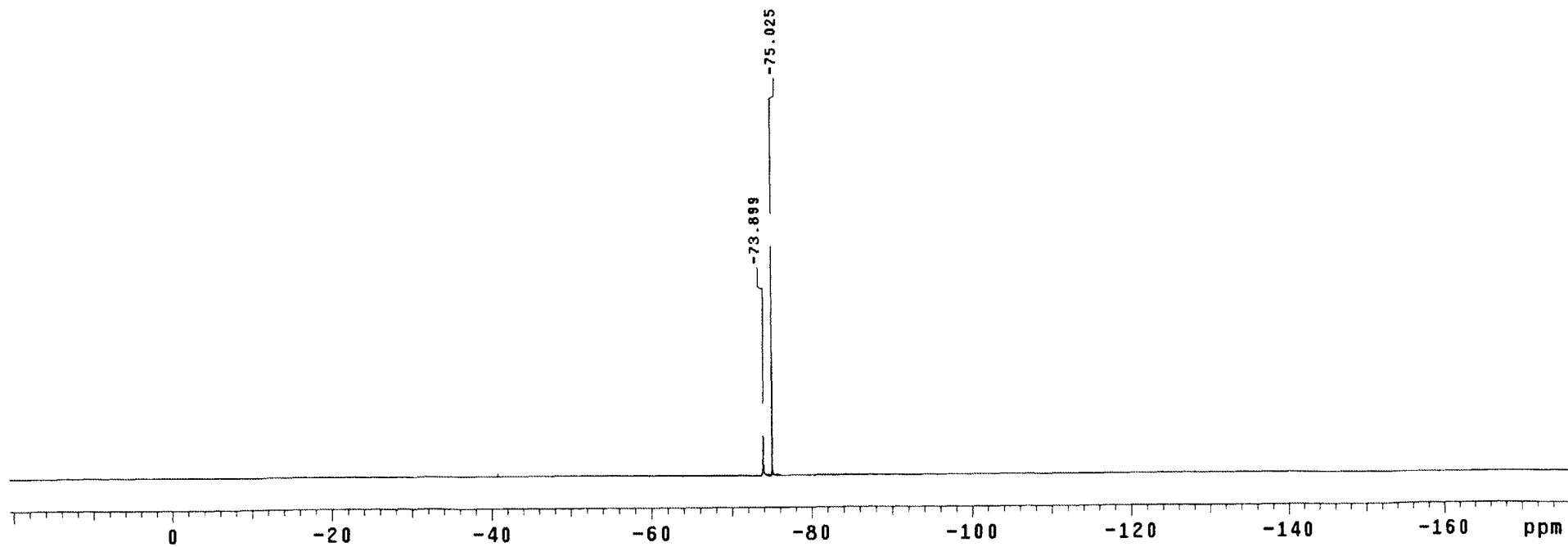
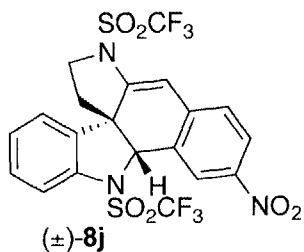
Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 60.9 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
448 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822049 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 46 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072

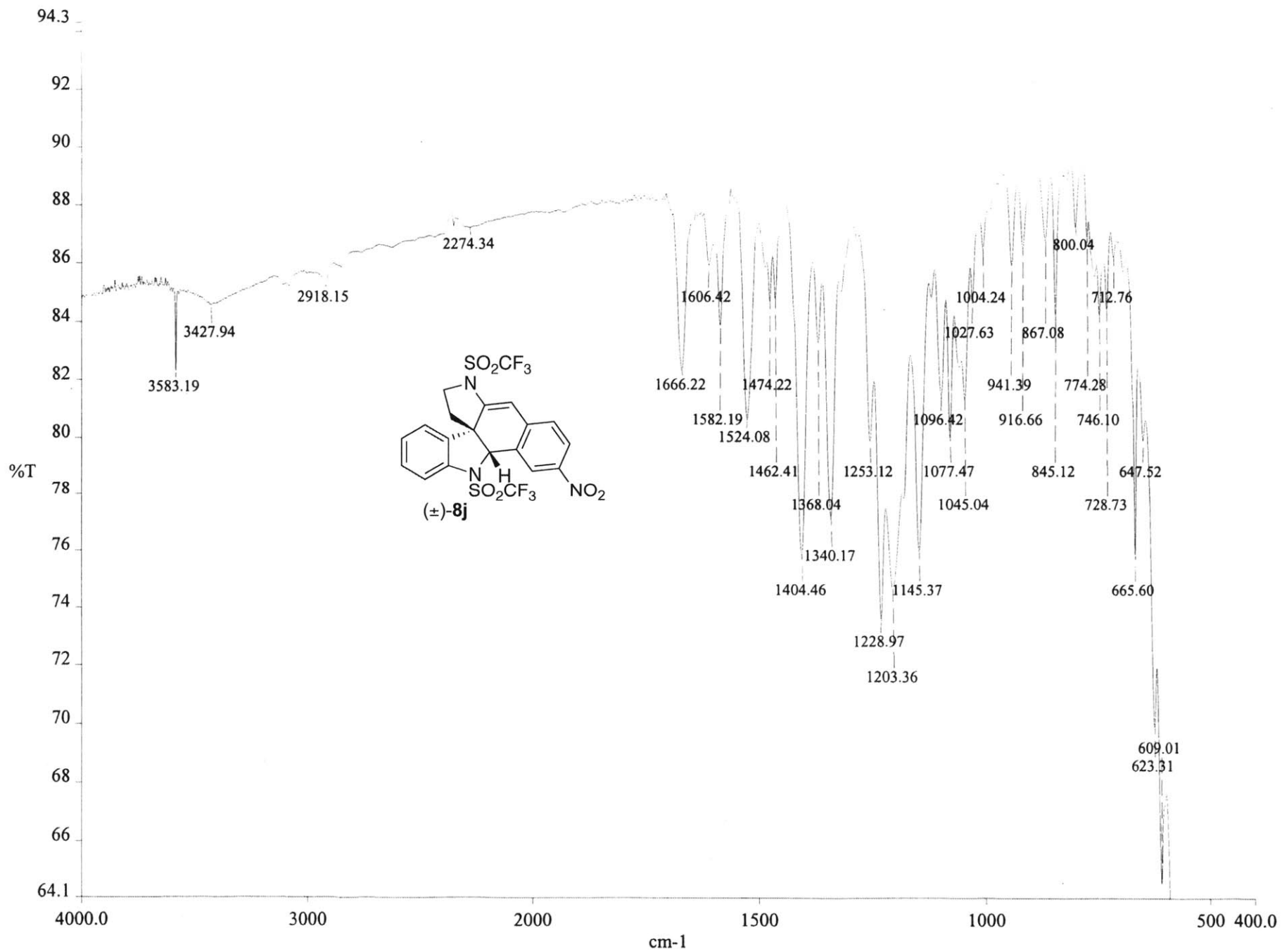


19F OBSERVE  
STANDARD PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pul  
Solvent: CDC13  
Temp. 20.0 C / 293.1 K

Relax. delay 4.000 sec  
Pulse 45.0 degrees  
Acq. time 0.300 sec  
Width 100.0 kHz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE F19, 282.3812074 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 262144





STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Temp. 53.0 C / 326.1 K

Relax. delay 2.000 sec

Pulse 84.1 degrees

Acq. time 3.001 sec

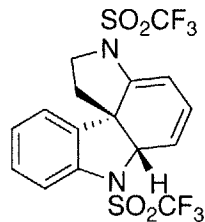
Width 10504.2 Hz

16 repetitions

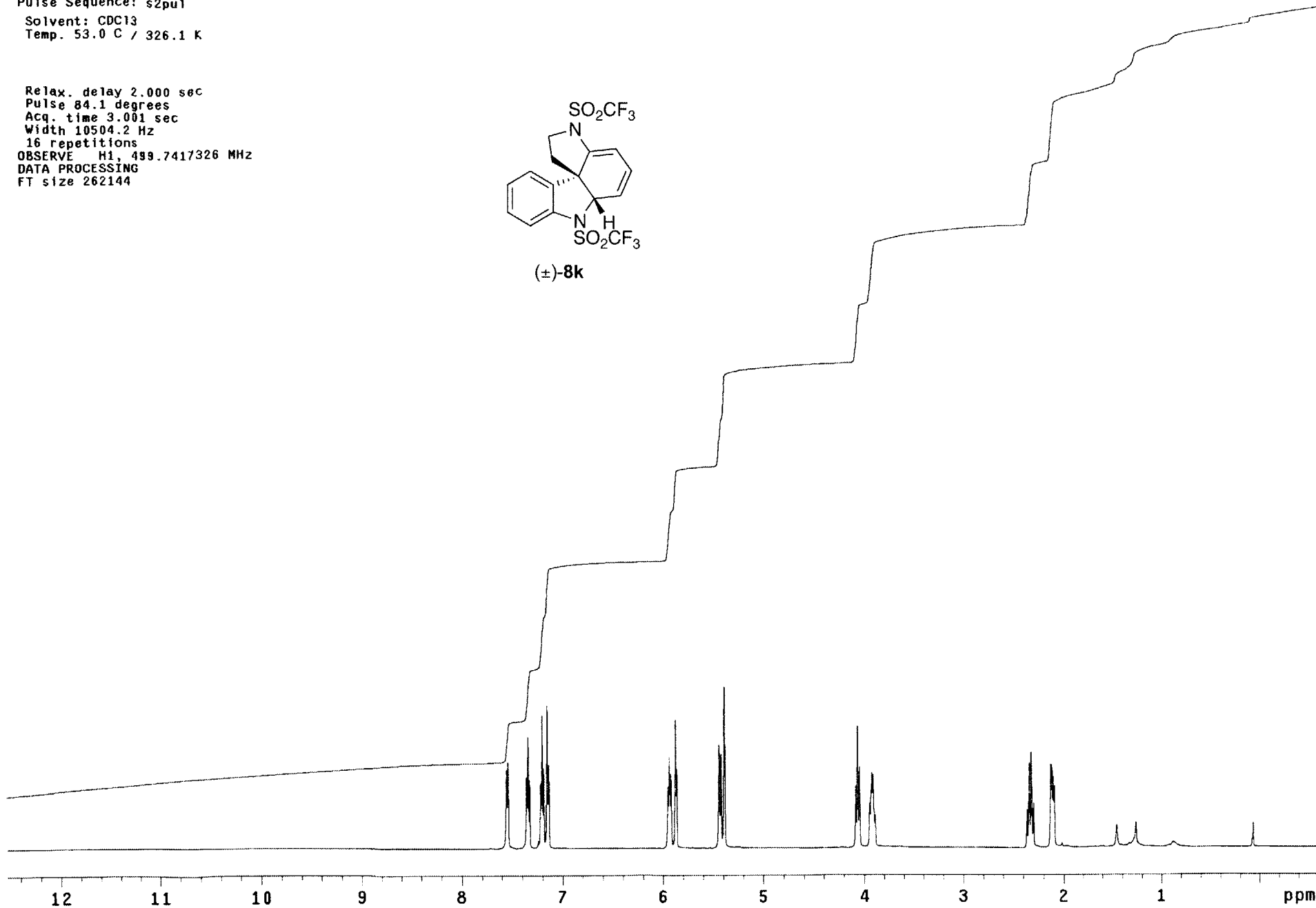
OBSERVE H1, 499.7417326 MHz

DATA PROCESSING

FT size 262144



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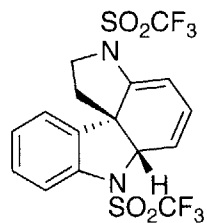




STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

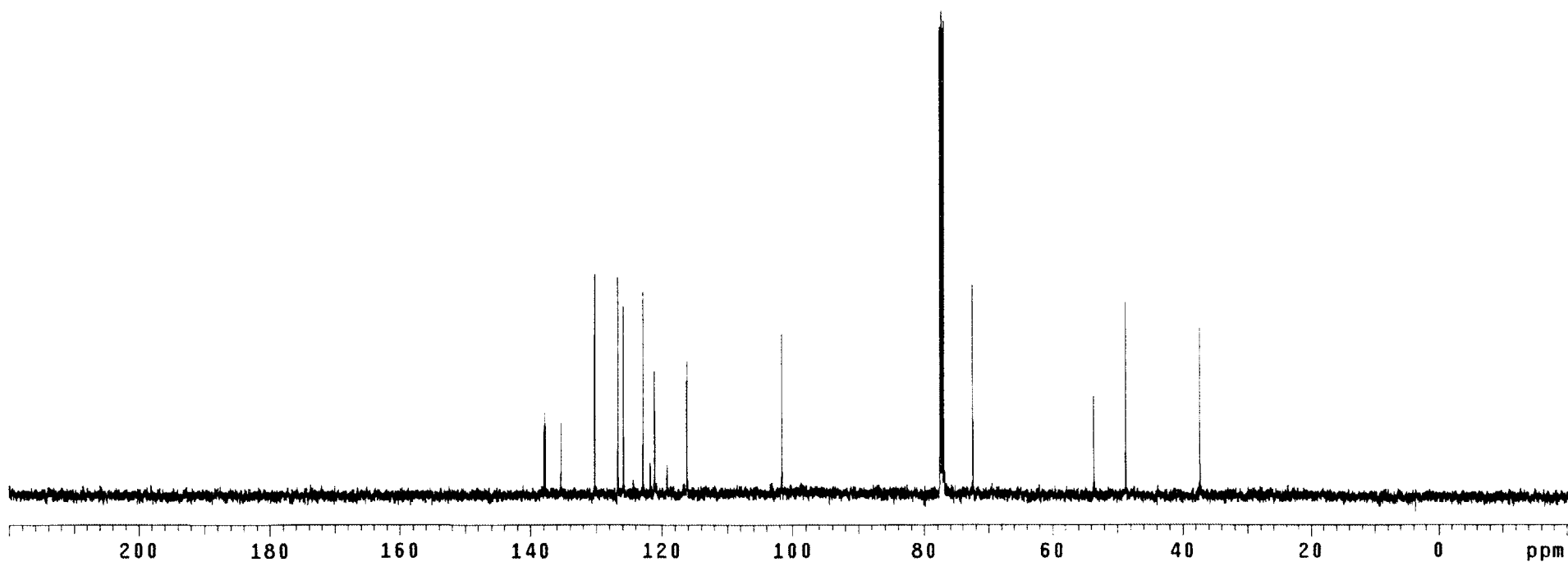
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1  
Solvent: CDC13  
Temp. 53.0 C / 326.1 K

Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 37.8 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
1331 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6601151 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442194 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 2.0 Hz  
FT size 131072



(±)-8k

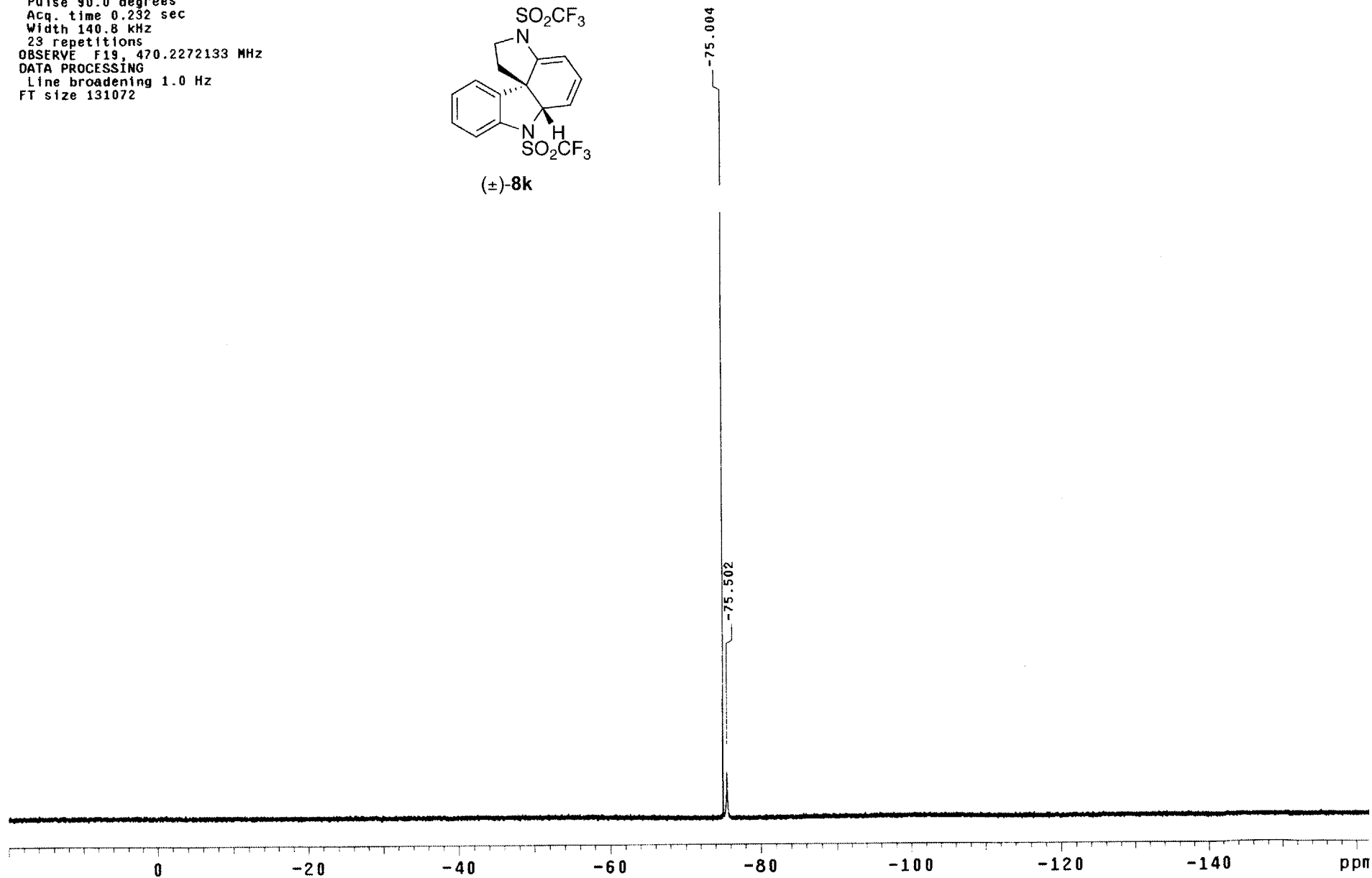
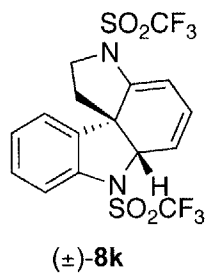
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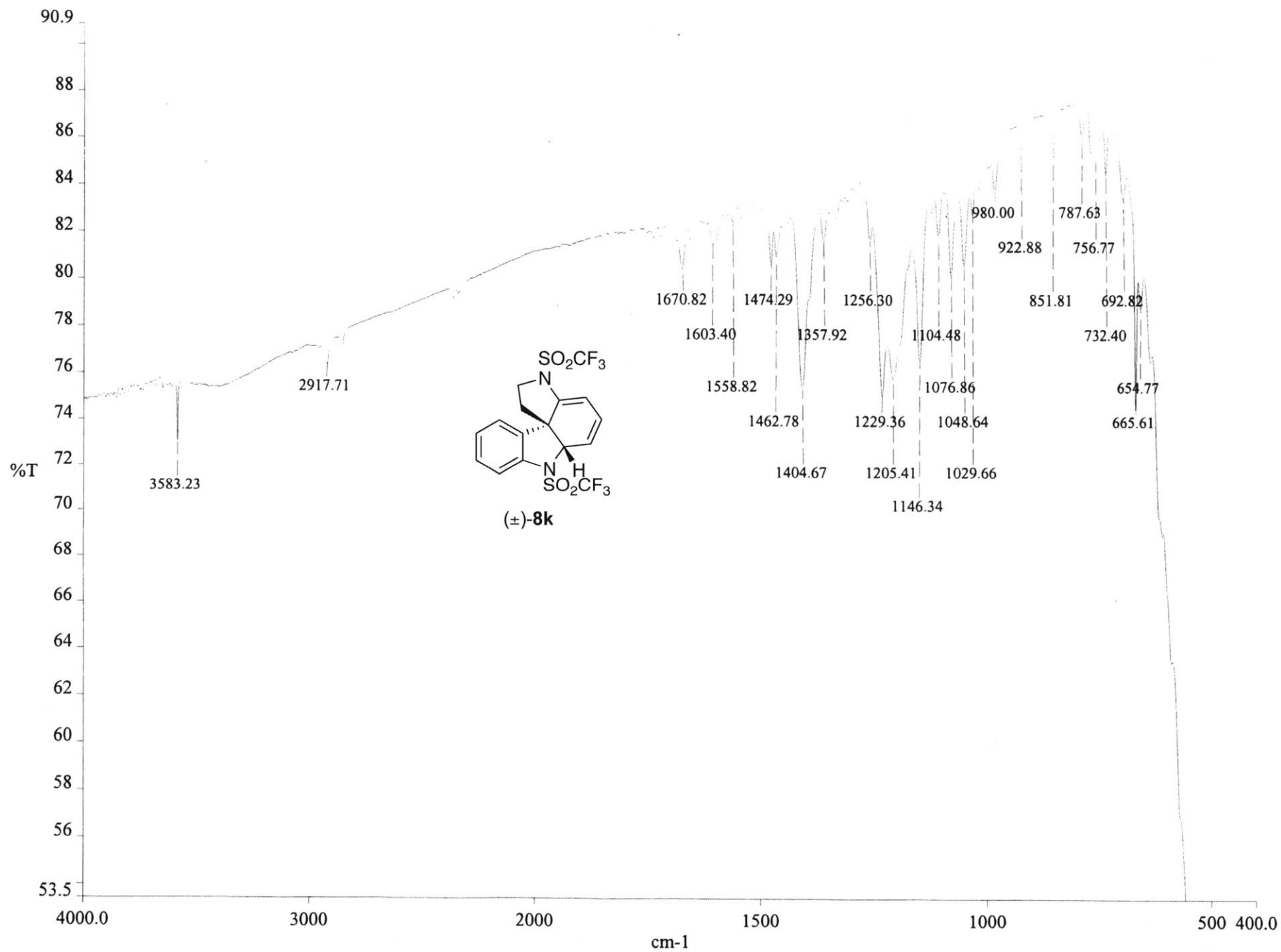
19F SENSITIVITY  
0.05% TRIFLUOROTOLUENE

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1  
Solvent: CDC13  
Temp. 53.0 C / 326.1 K

Relax. delay 2.000 sec  
Pulse 90.0 degrees  
Acq. time 0.232 sec  
Width 140.8 kHz  
23 repetitions  
OBSERVE F19, 470.2272133 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072



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STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 1.800 sec

Pulse 90.0 degrees

Acq. time 3.200 sec

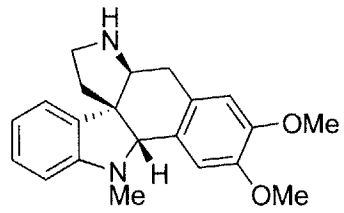
Width 10000.0 Hz

16 repetitions

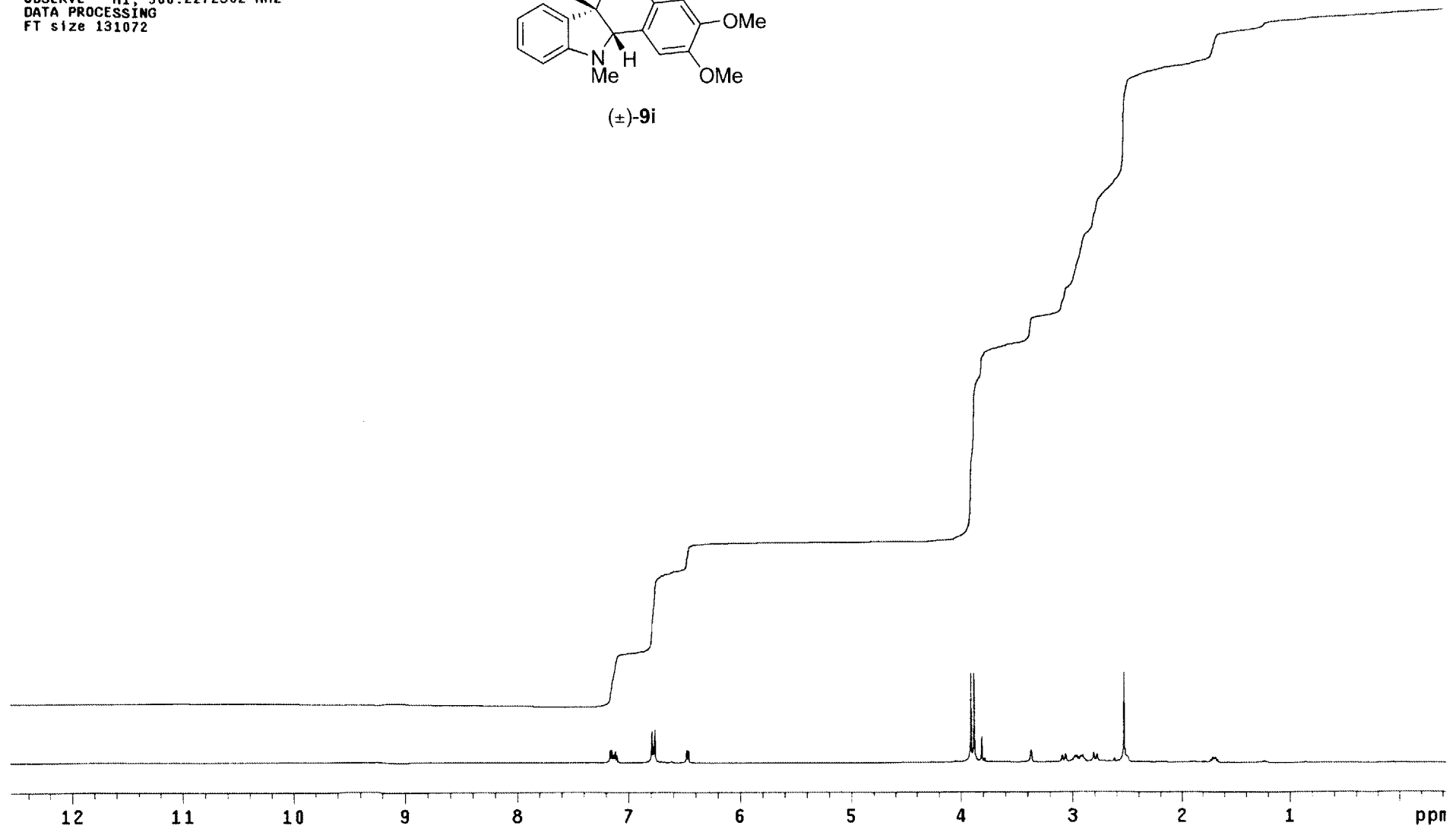
OBSERVE H1, 500.2272302 MHz

DATA PROCESSING

FT size 131072



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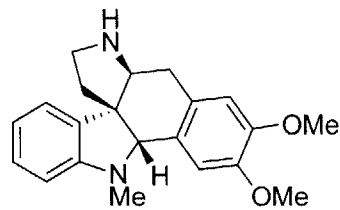
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

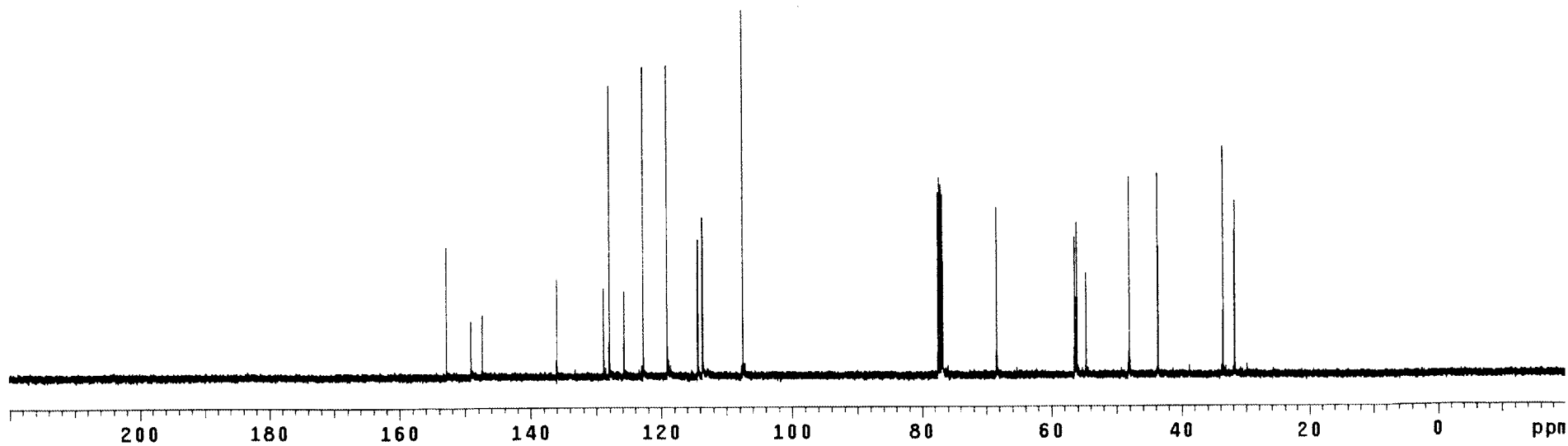
Solvent: CDC13

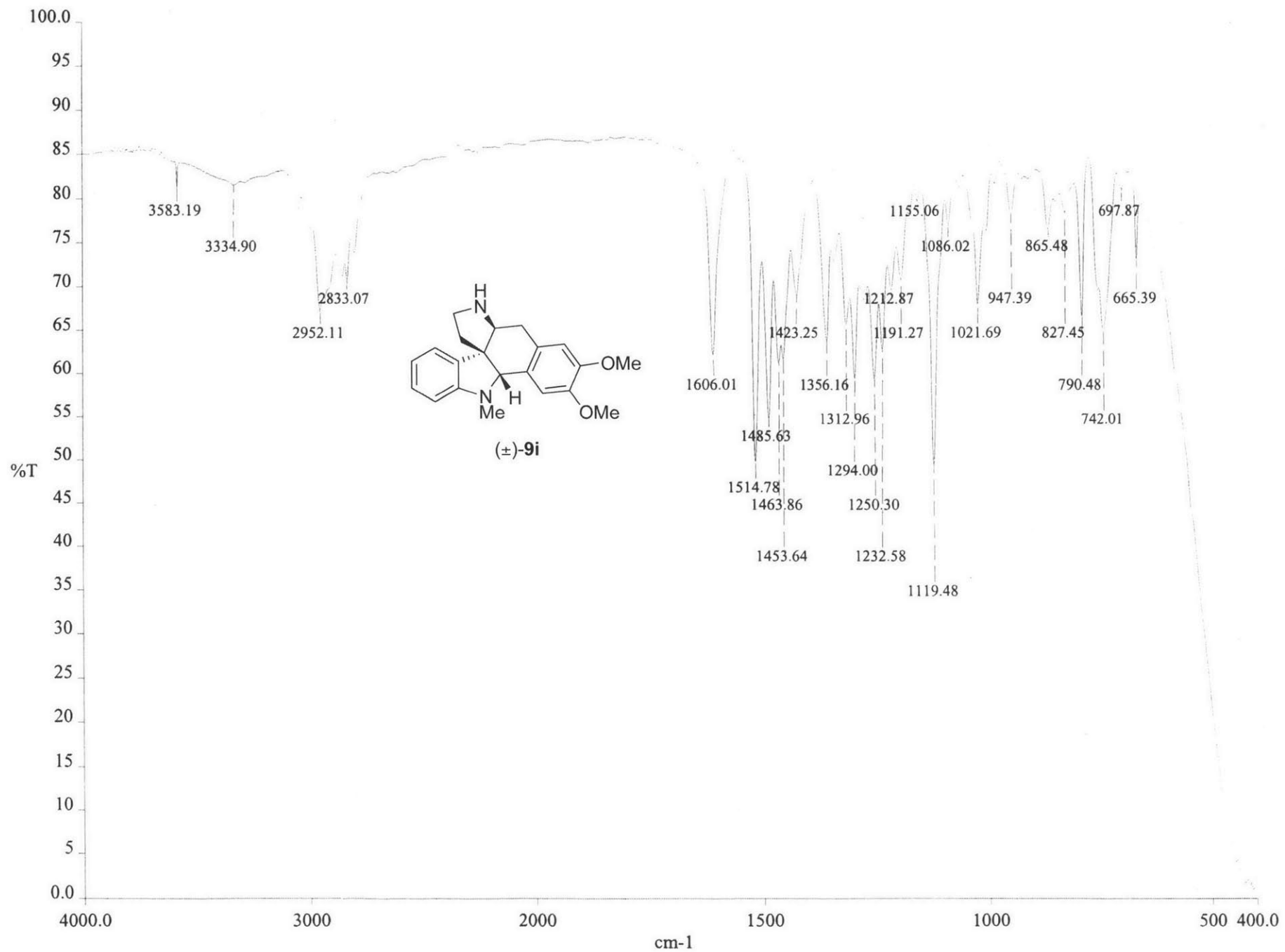
Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 60.9 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
516 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822176 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 46 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072



(±)-9i





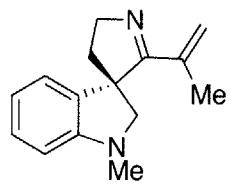
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

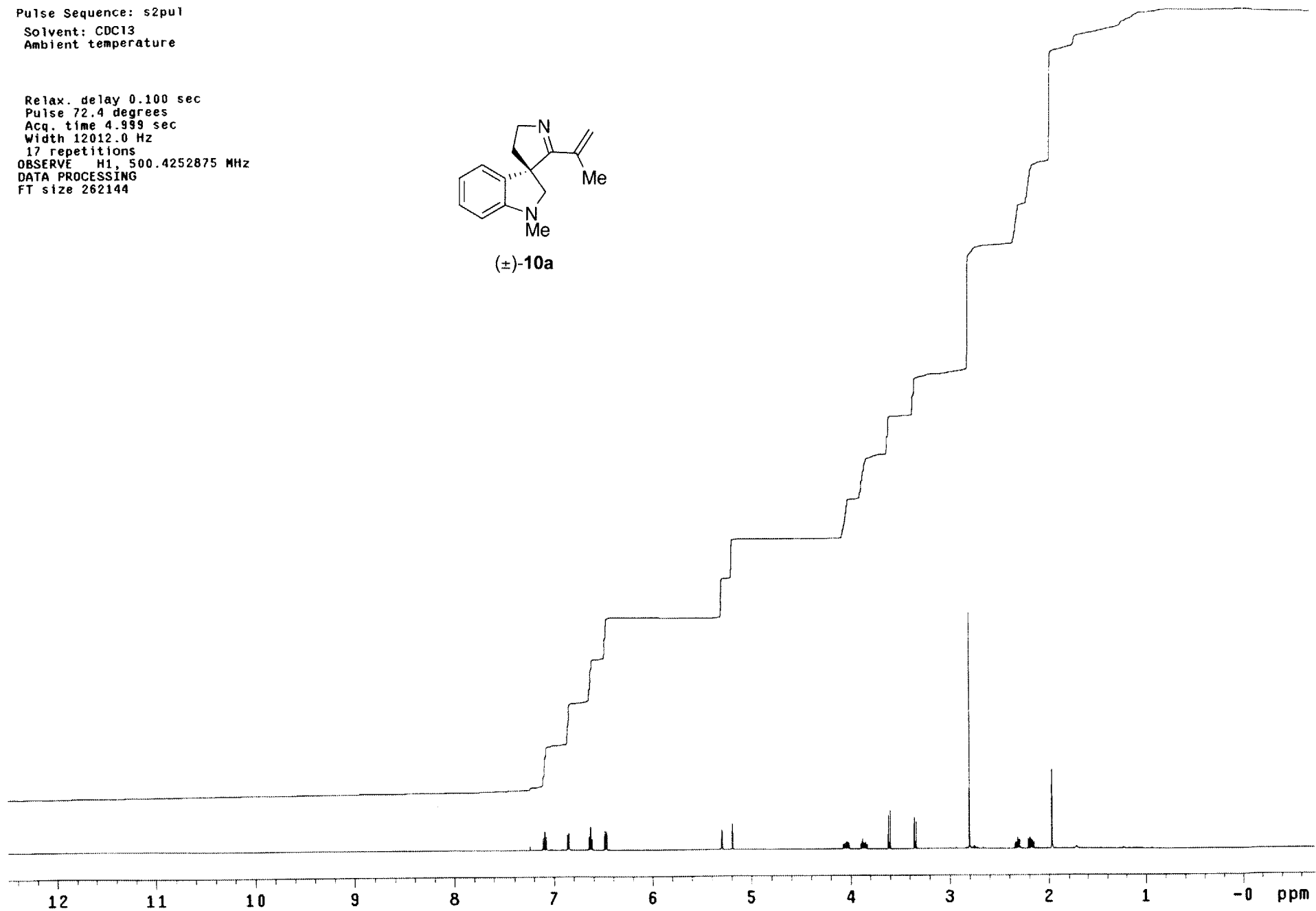
Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
Pulse 72.4 degrees  
Acq. time 4.999 sec  
Width 12012.0 Hz  
17 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.4252875 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



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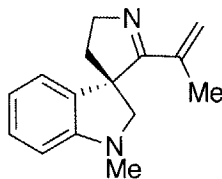
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

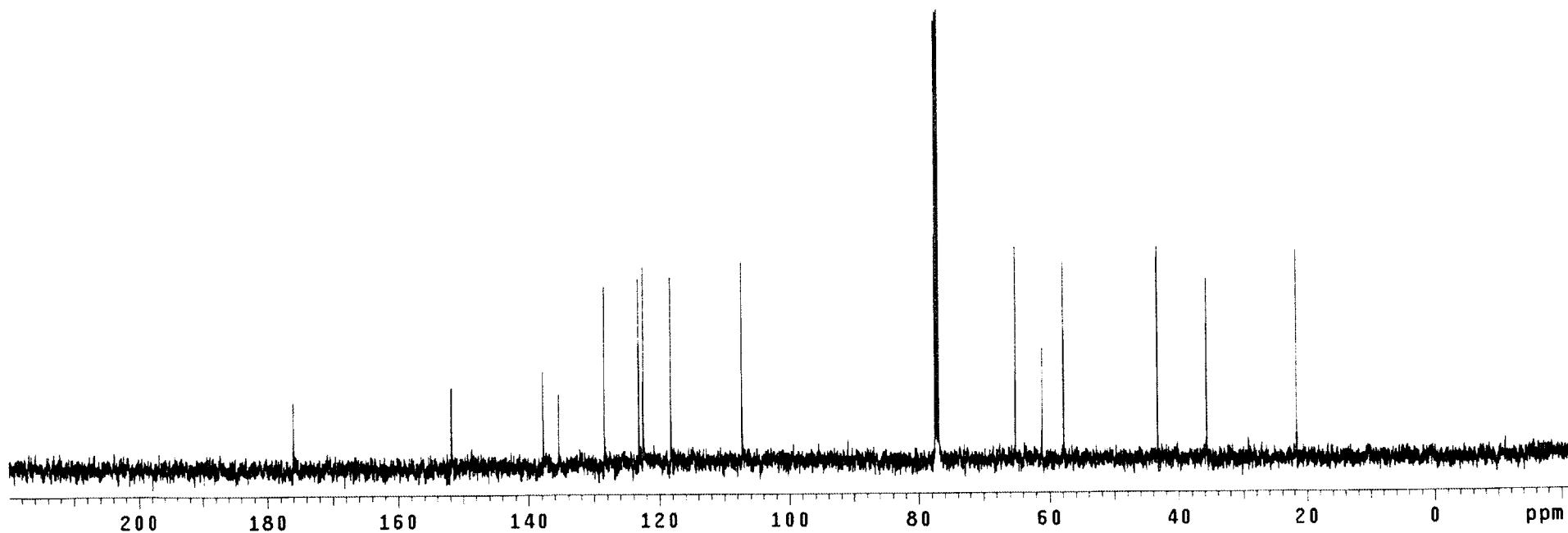
Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

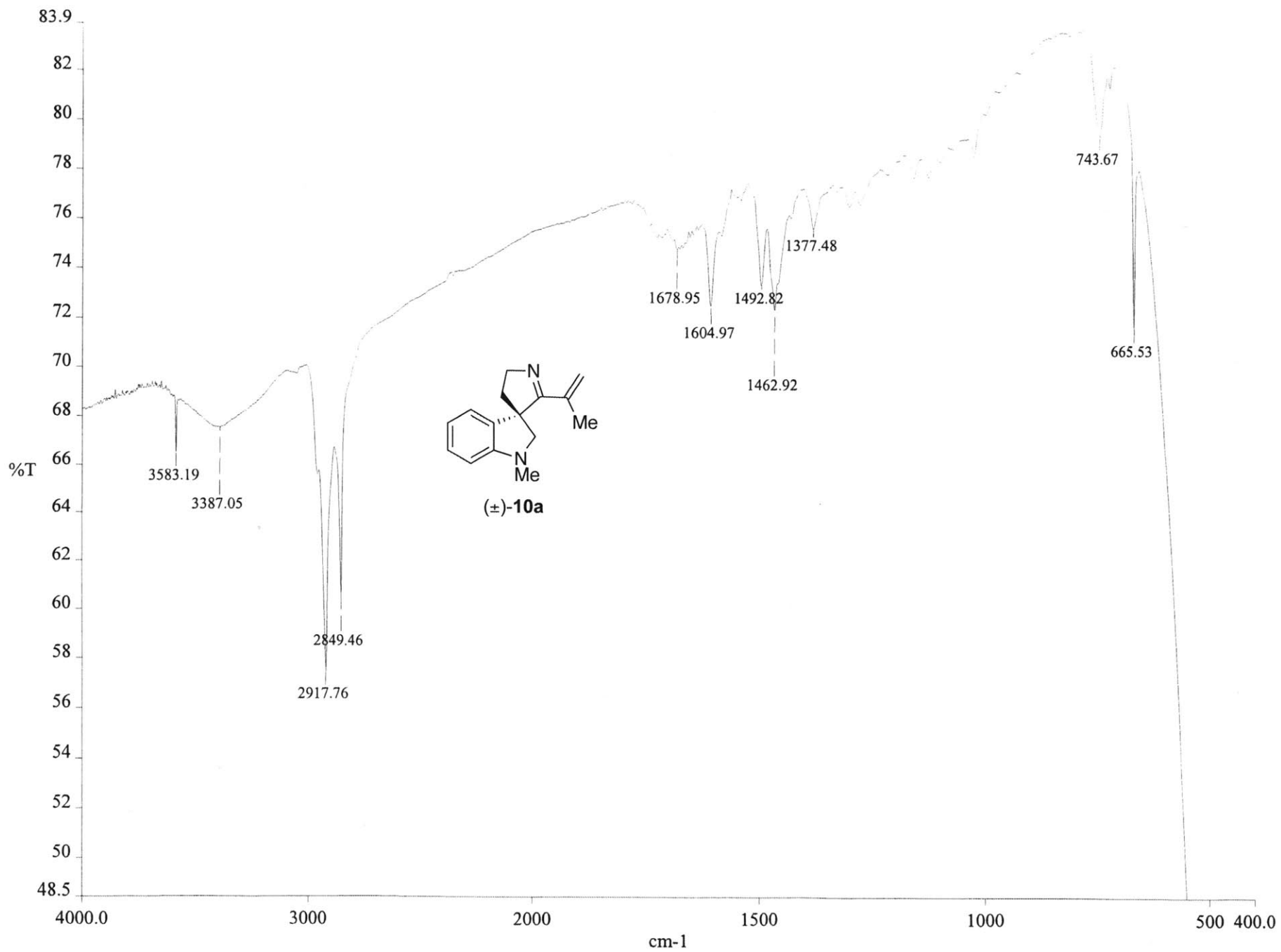
Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 37.8 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
226 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6601333 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442194 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 3.0 Hz  
FT size 131072



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## **Appendix C**

### **Spectra for Chapter III**

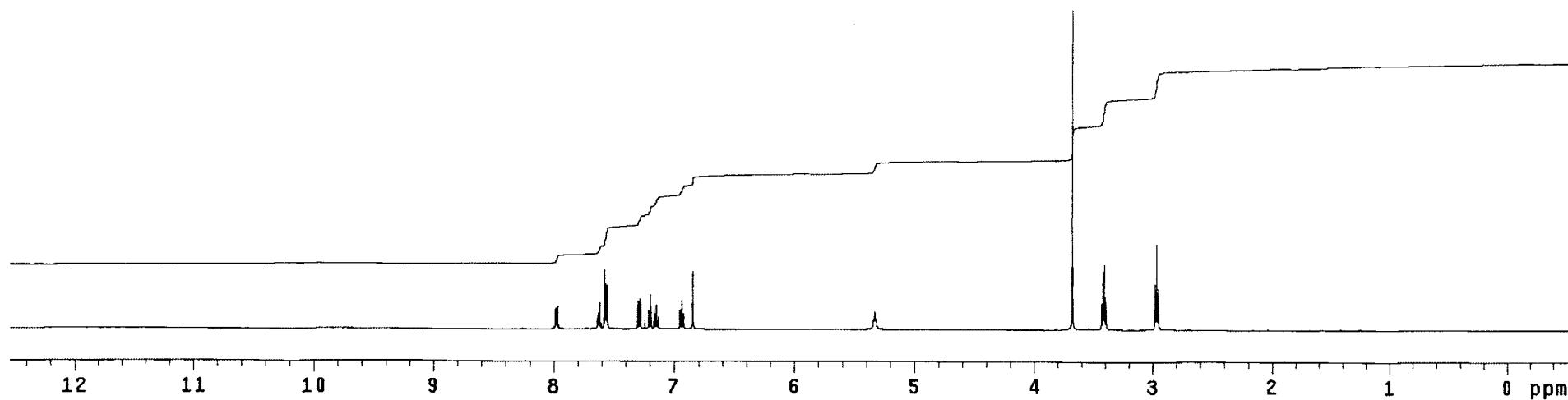
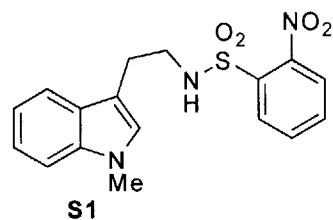
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Pulse 76.1 degrees  
Acq. time 3.200 sec  
Width 10000.0 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.2272311 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 131072



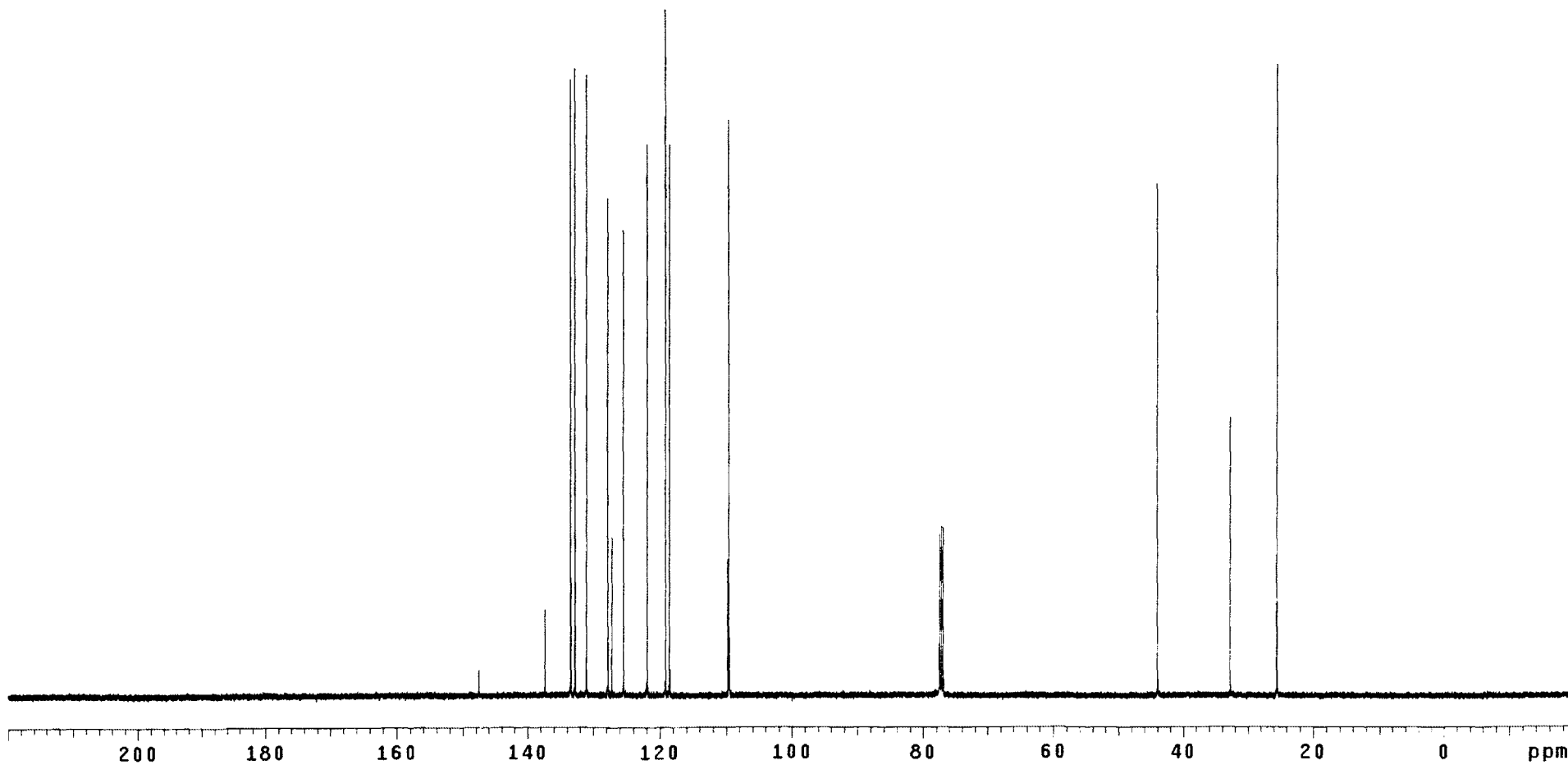
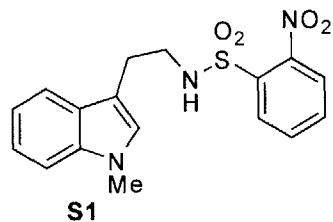
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

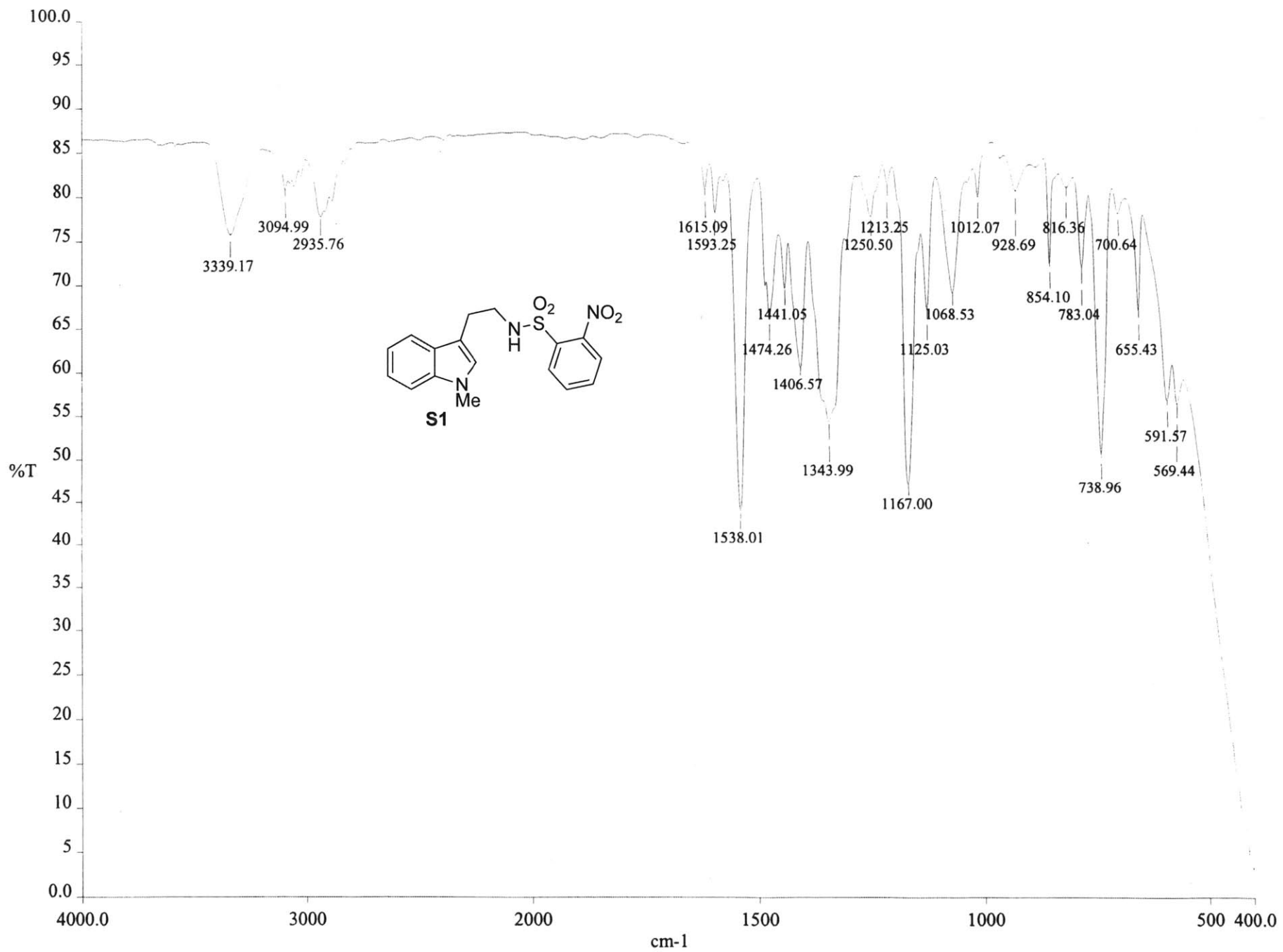
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.8 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
65536 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822130 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072





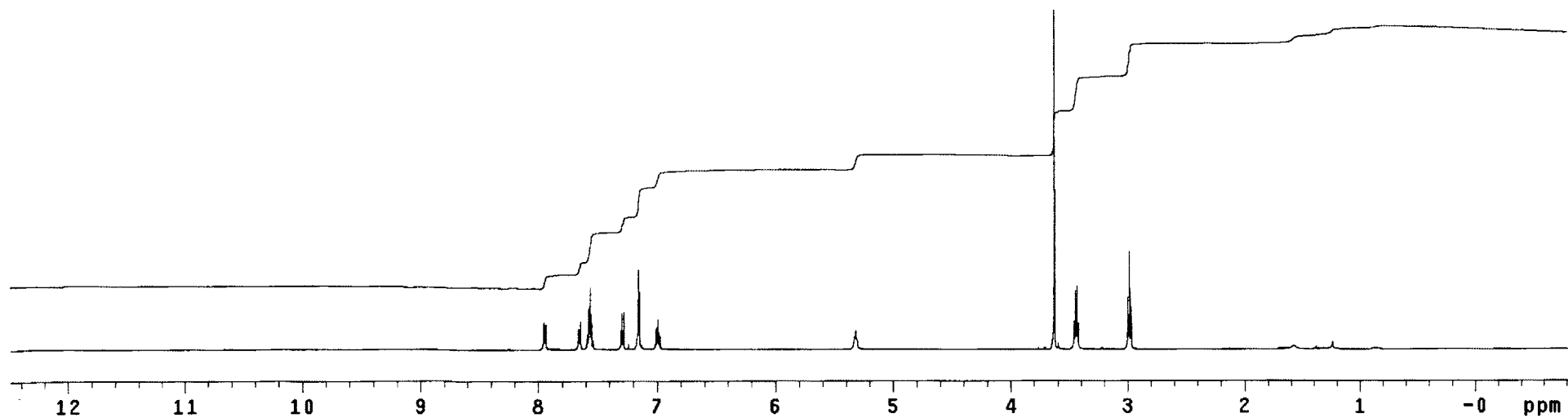
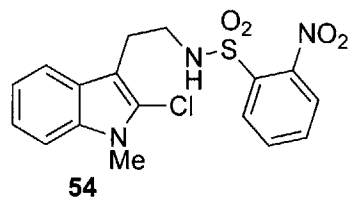
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
Pulse 78.3 degrees  
Acq. time 4.999 sec  
Width 12012.0 Hz  
32 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.4252887 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144





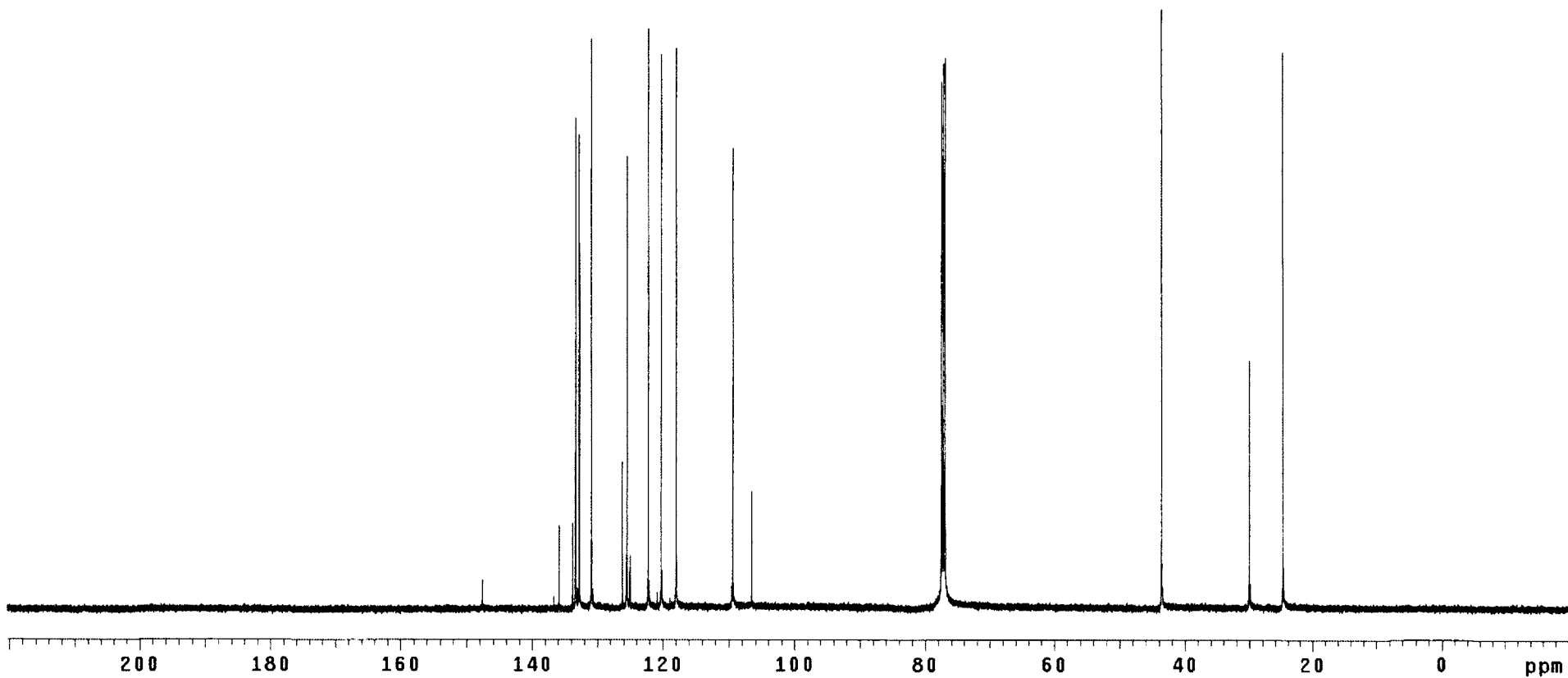
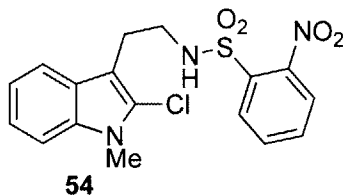
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

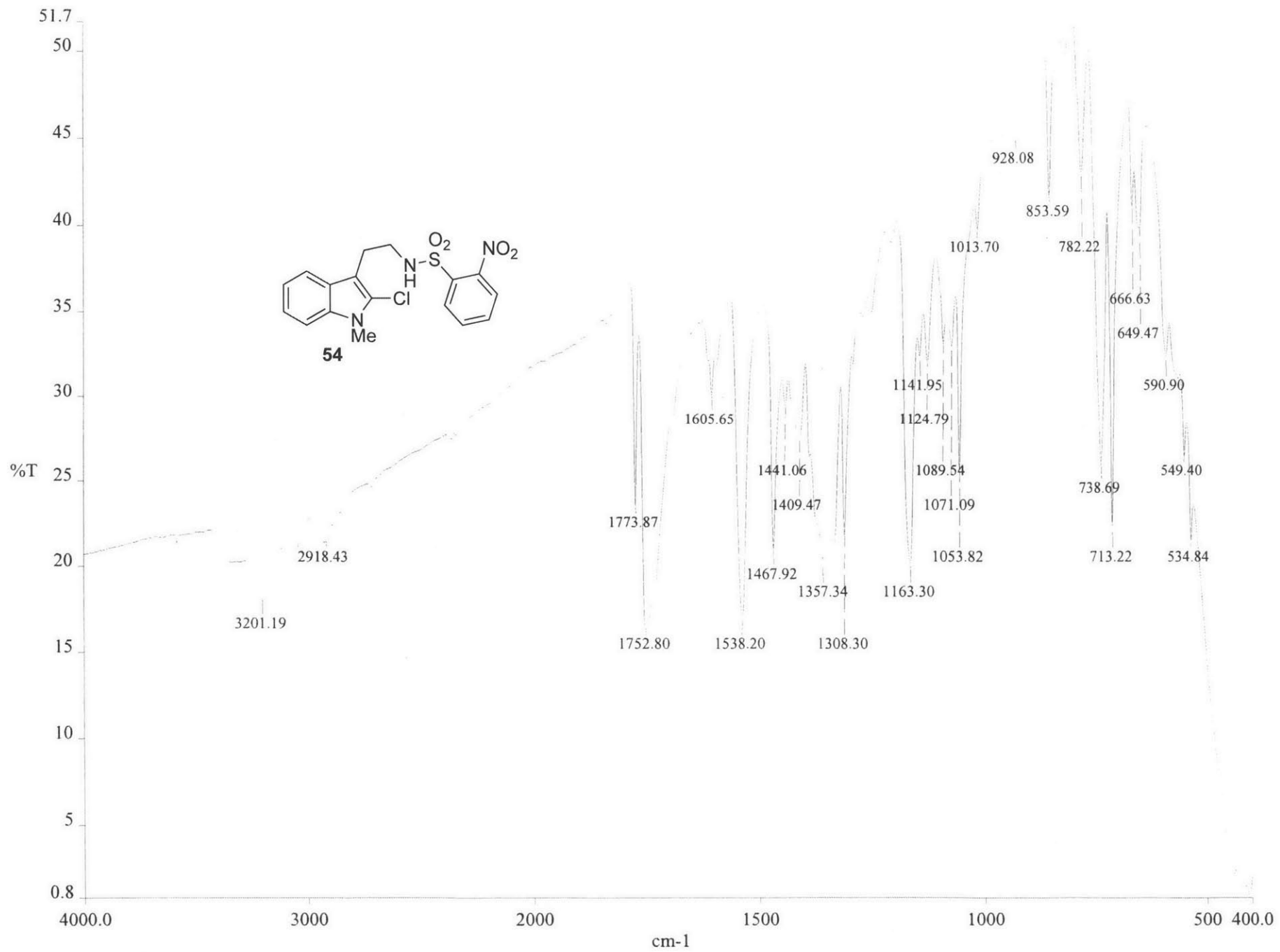
Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.8 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
20631 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822090 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072



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STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

Pulse 76.1 degrees

Acq. time 3.200 sec

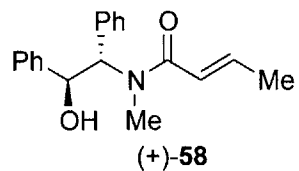
Width 10000.0 Hz

16 repetitions

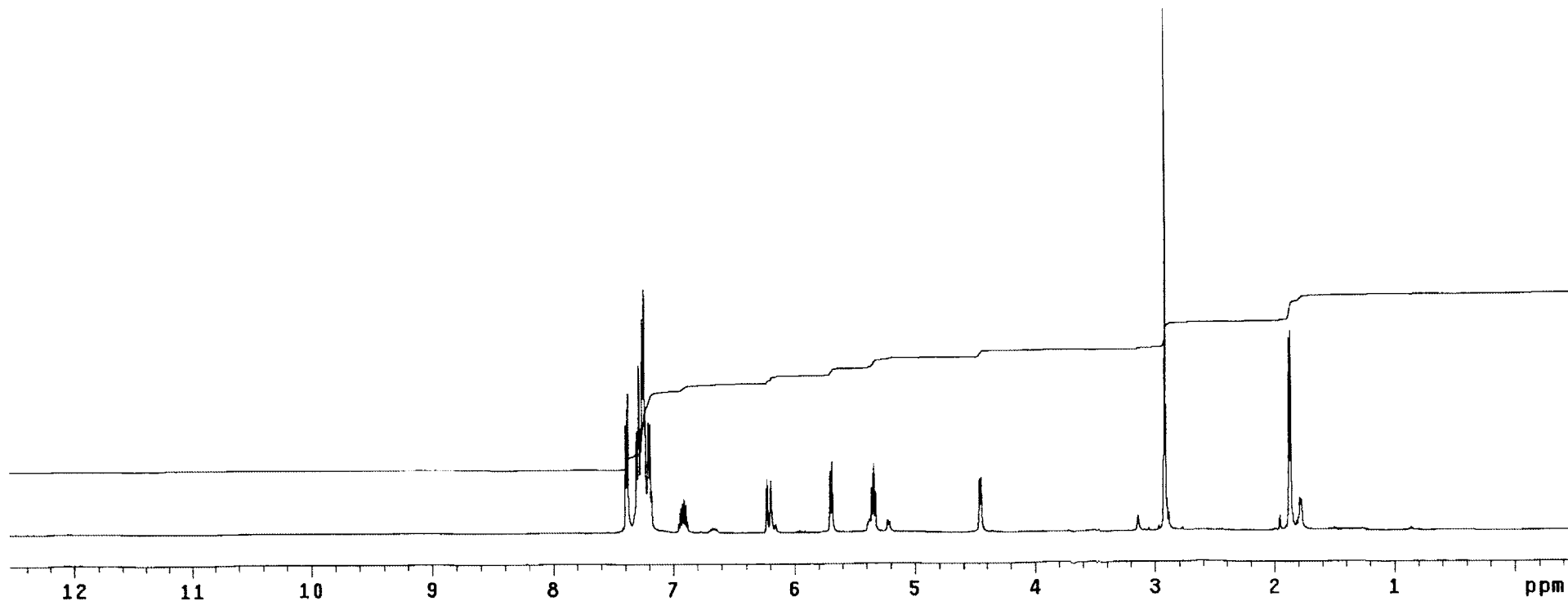
OBSERVE H1, 500.2272196 MHz

DATA PROCESSING

FT size 131072



6.0:1.0 mixture of atropisomers



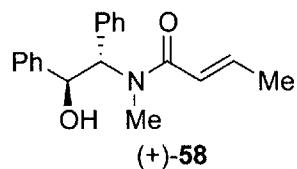
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

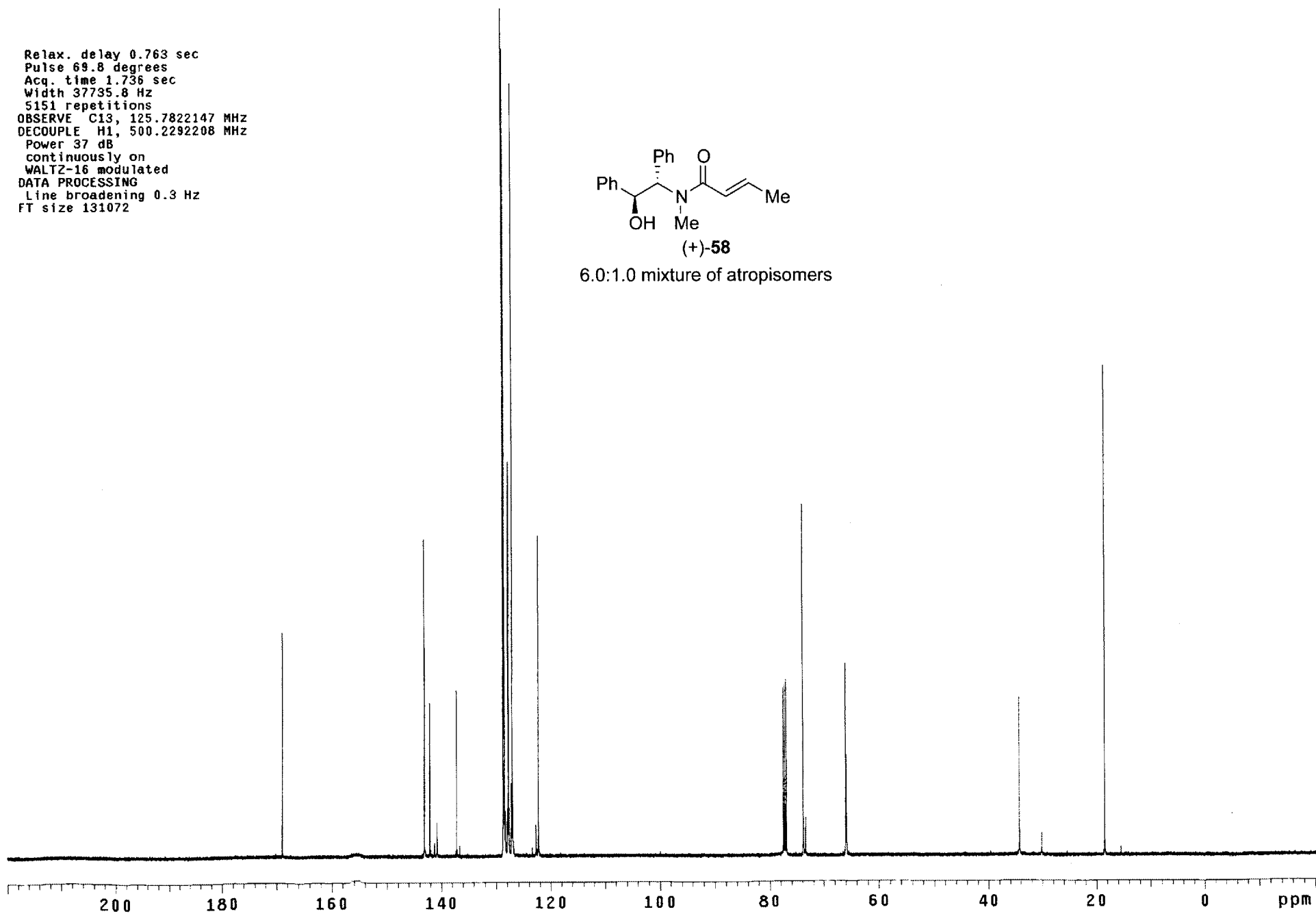
Solvent: CDC13

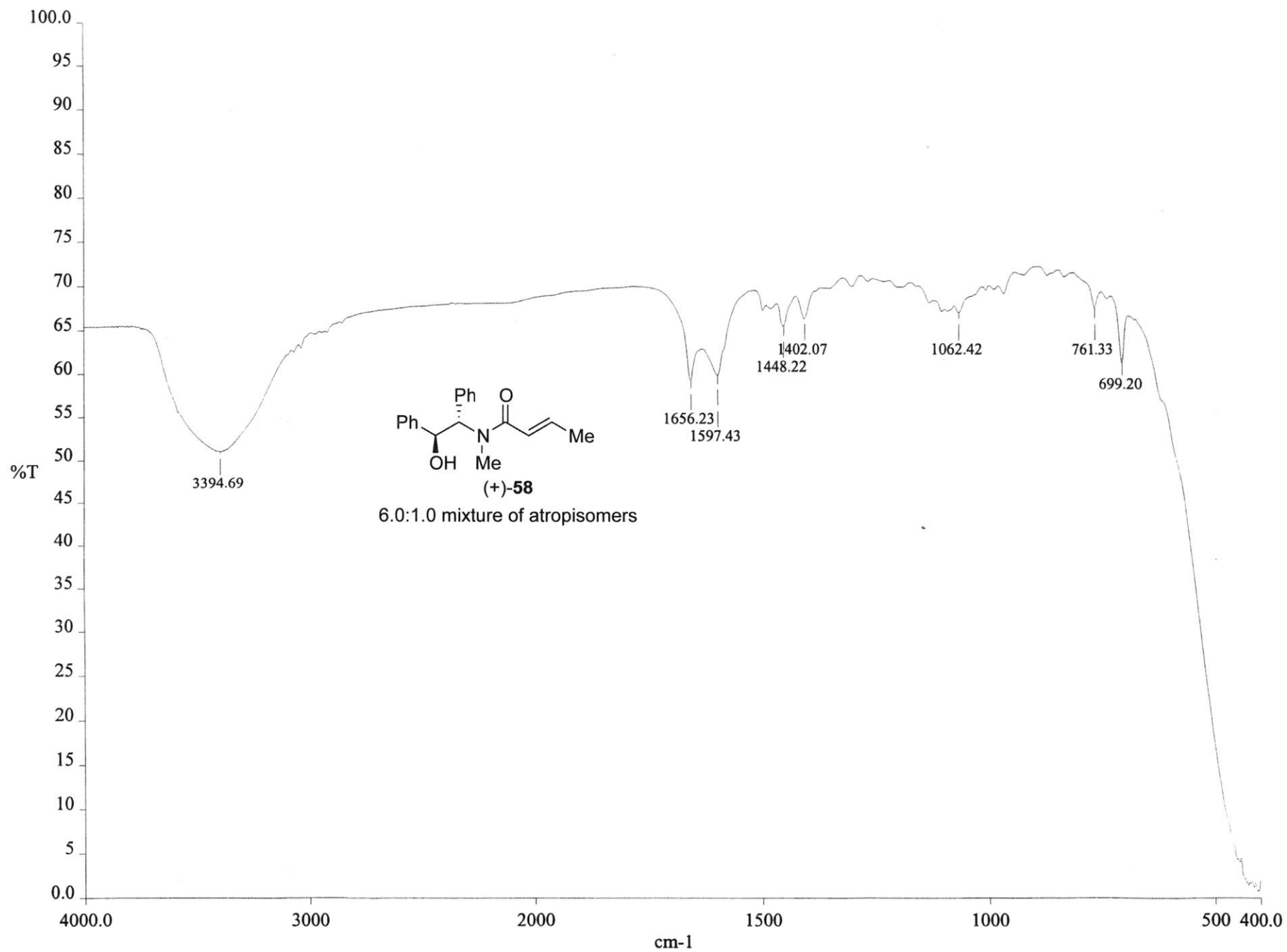
Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.8 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
5151 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822147 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072



6.0:1.0 mixture of atropisomers





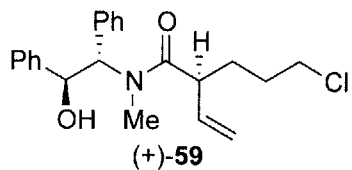
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

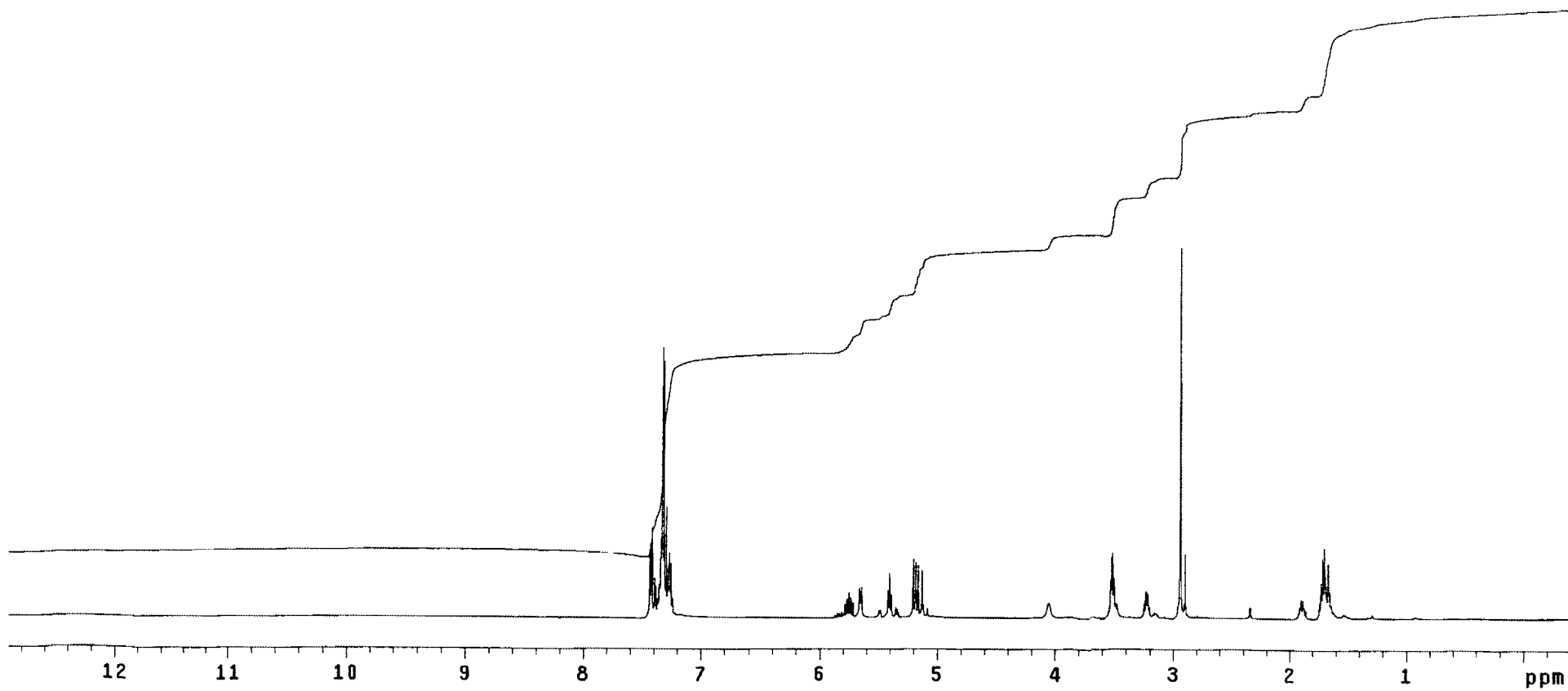
Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
Pulse 78.3 degrees  
Acq. time 4.999 sec  
Width 12012.0 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.4252632 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



4.6:1.0 mixture of atropisomers



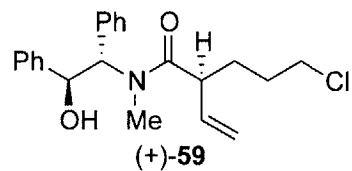
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

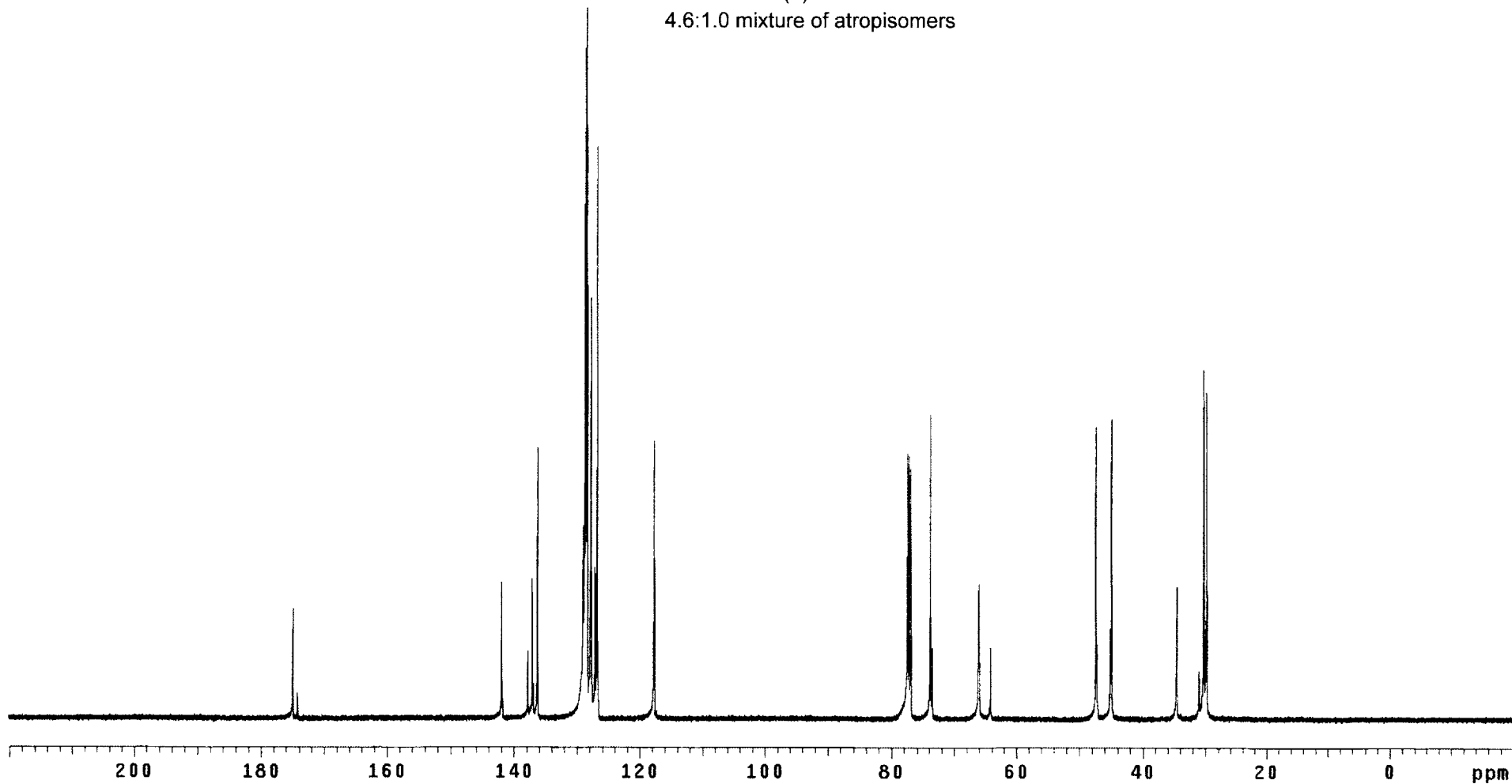
Solvent: CDCl3

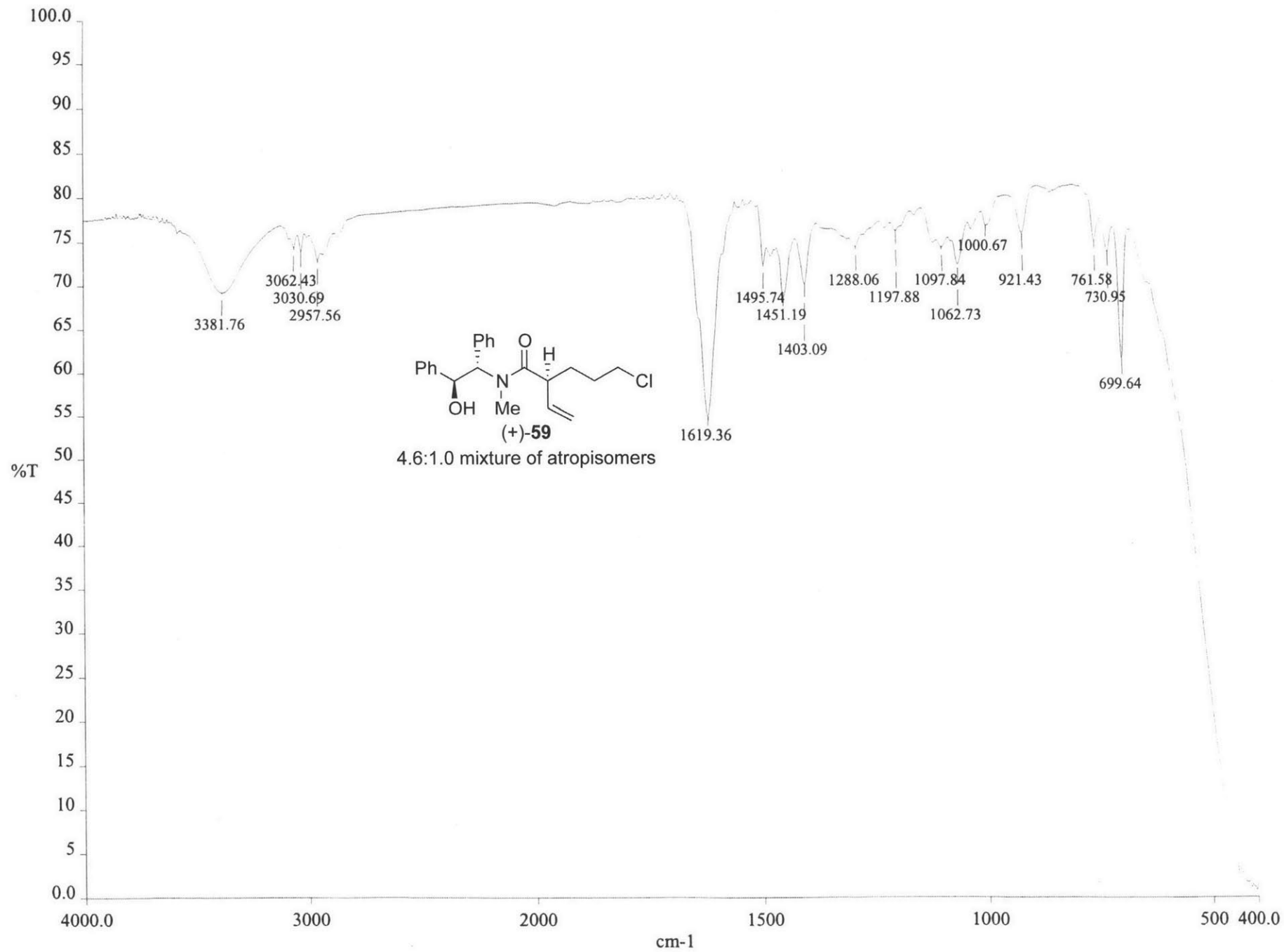
Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.8 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
23066 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822009 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072



4.6:1.0 mixture of atropisomers



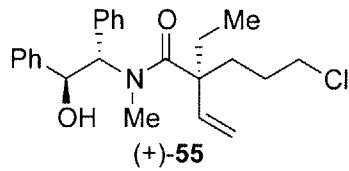




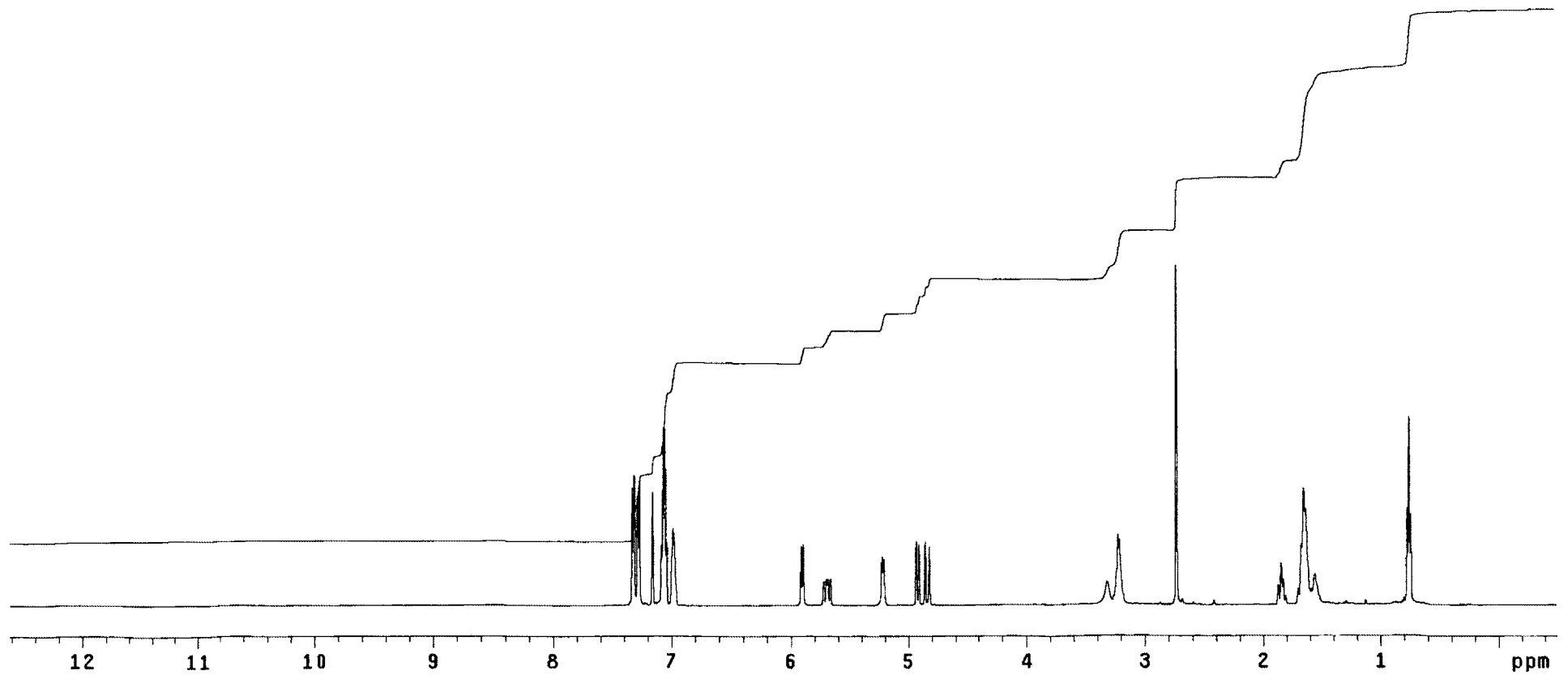
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1  
Solvent: Benzene  
Temp. 73.0 C / 346.1 K

Relax. delay 2.000 sec  
Pulse 81.5 degrees  
Acq. time 3.001 sec  
Width 10504.2 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 499.7417485 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



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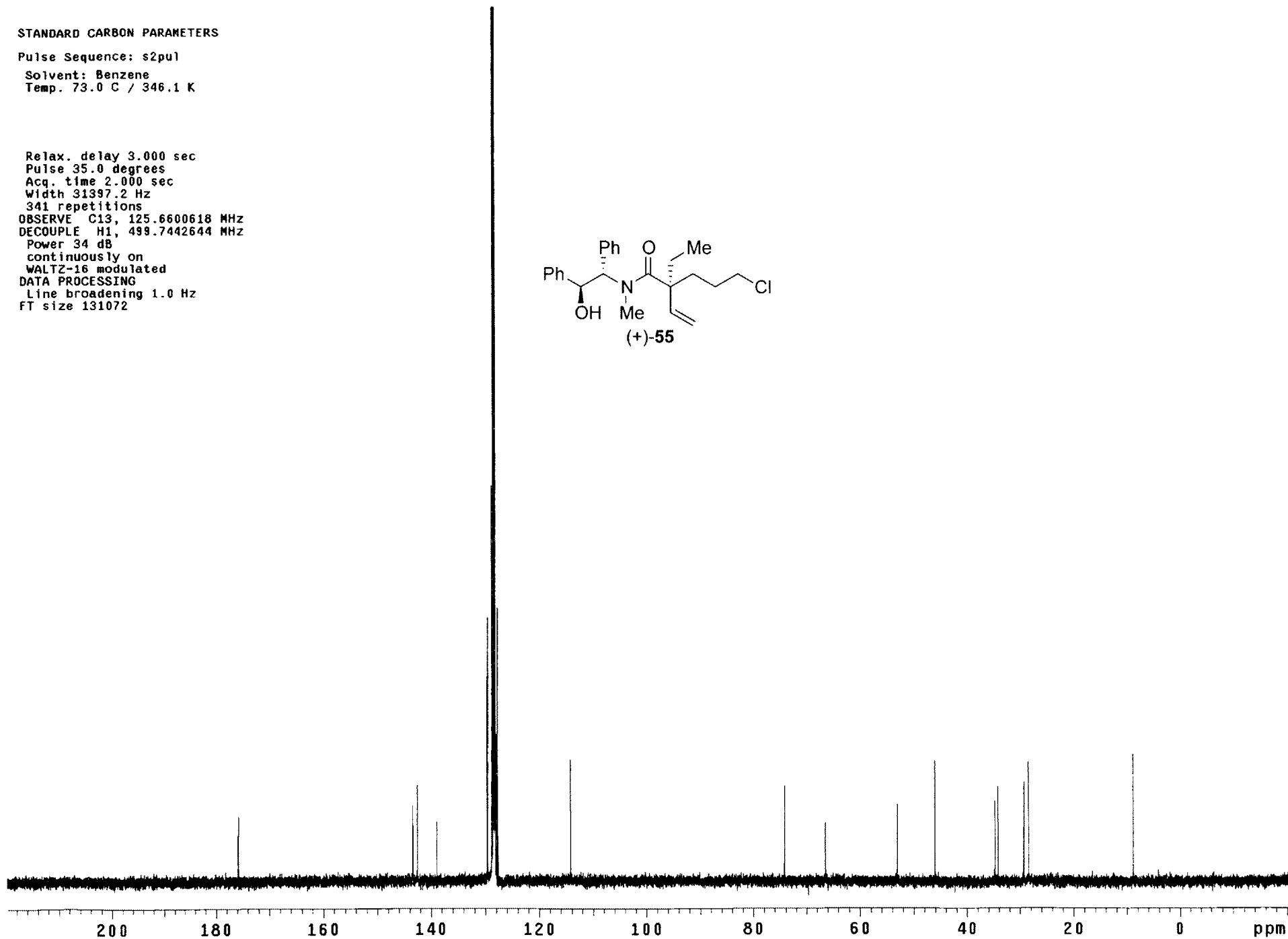
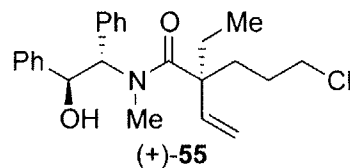
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

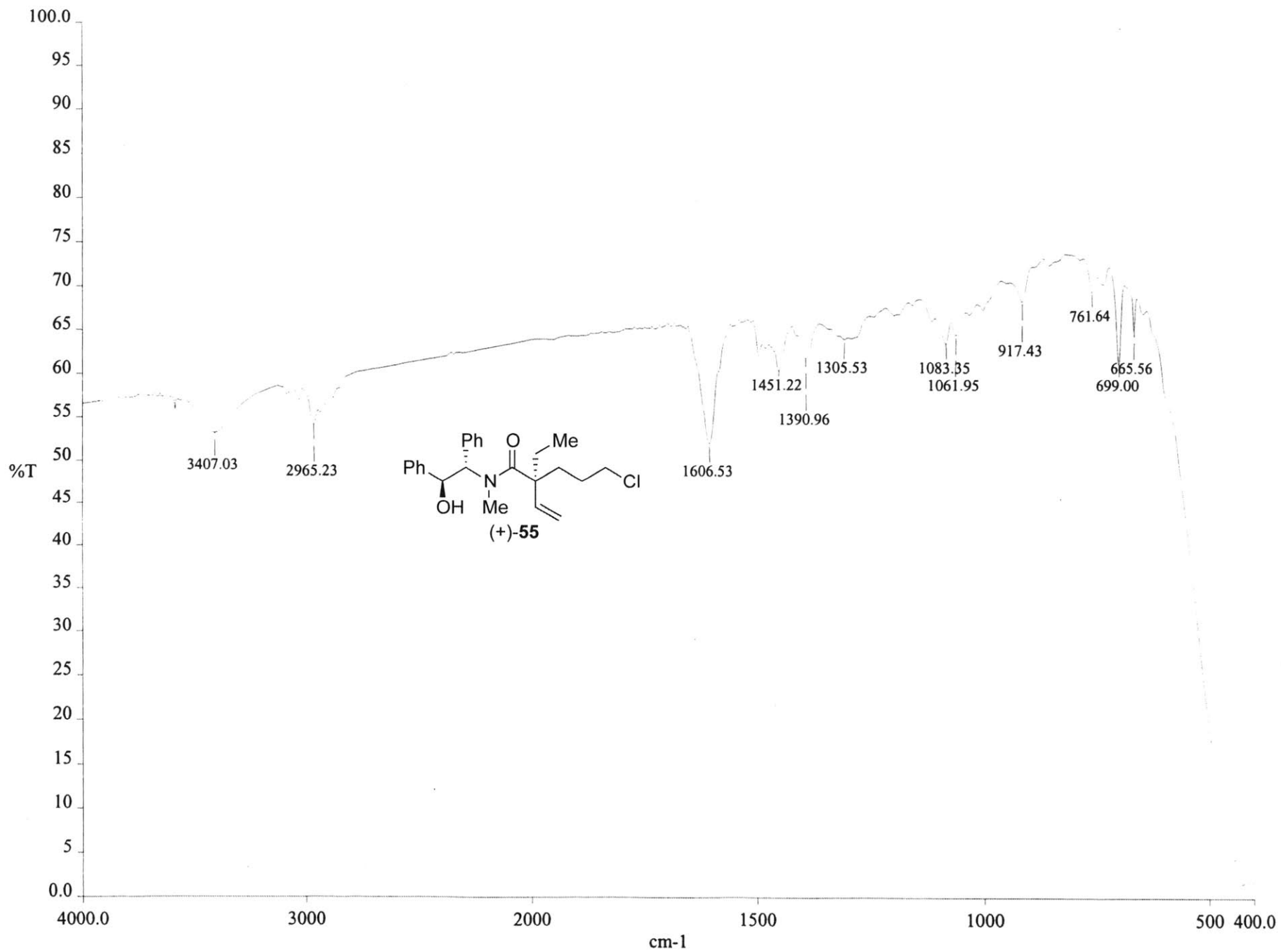
Solvent: Benzene

Temp. 73.0 C / 346.1 K

Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 35.0 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
341 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6600618 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442644 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072



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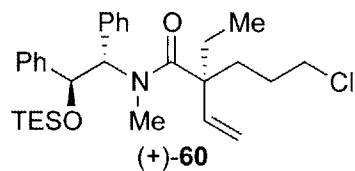
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

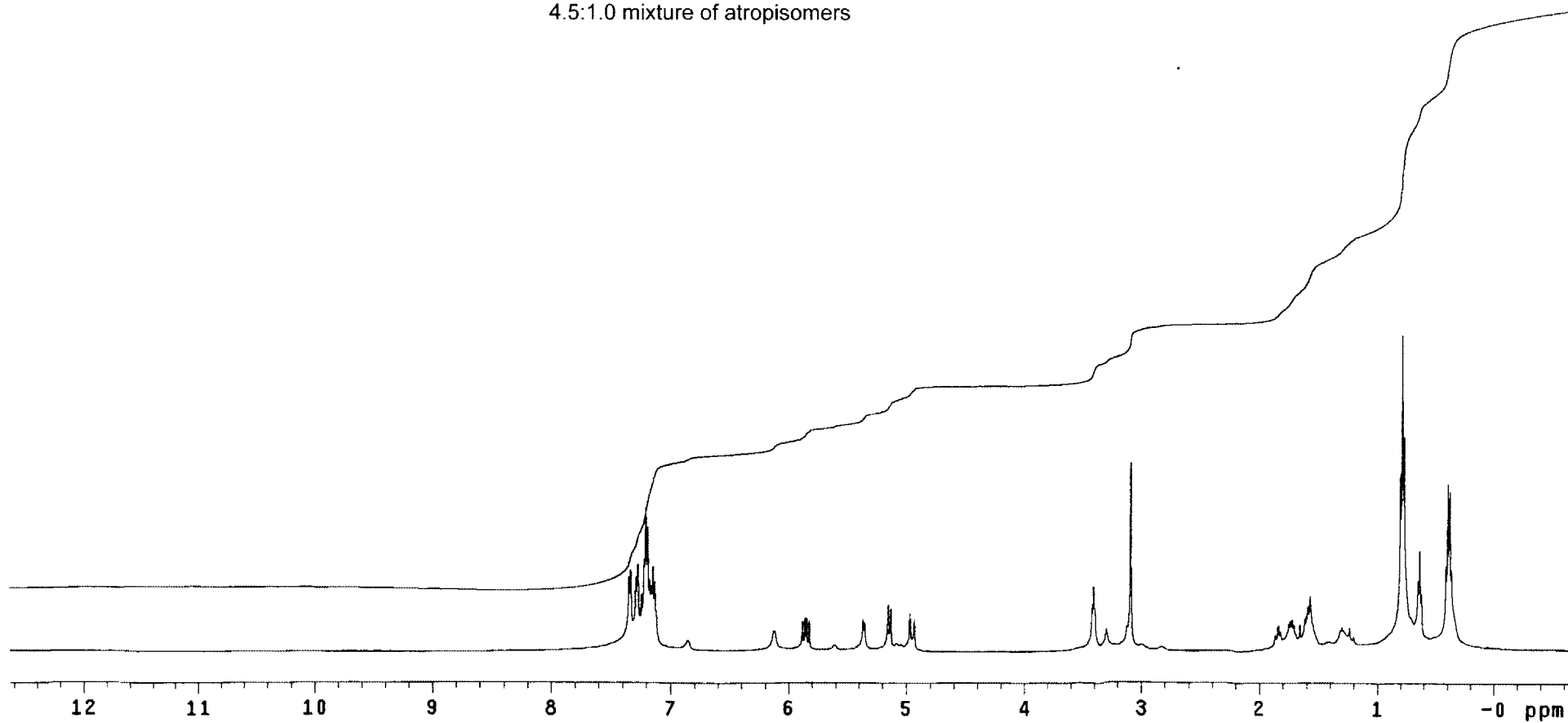
Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
Pulse 78.3 degrees  
Acq. time 4.999 sec  
Width 12012.0 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.4252874 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



4.5:1.0 mixture of atropisomers



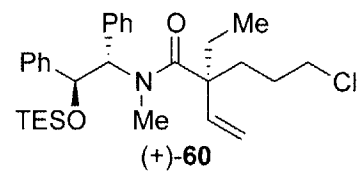
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

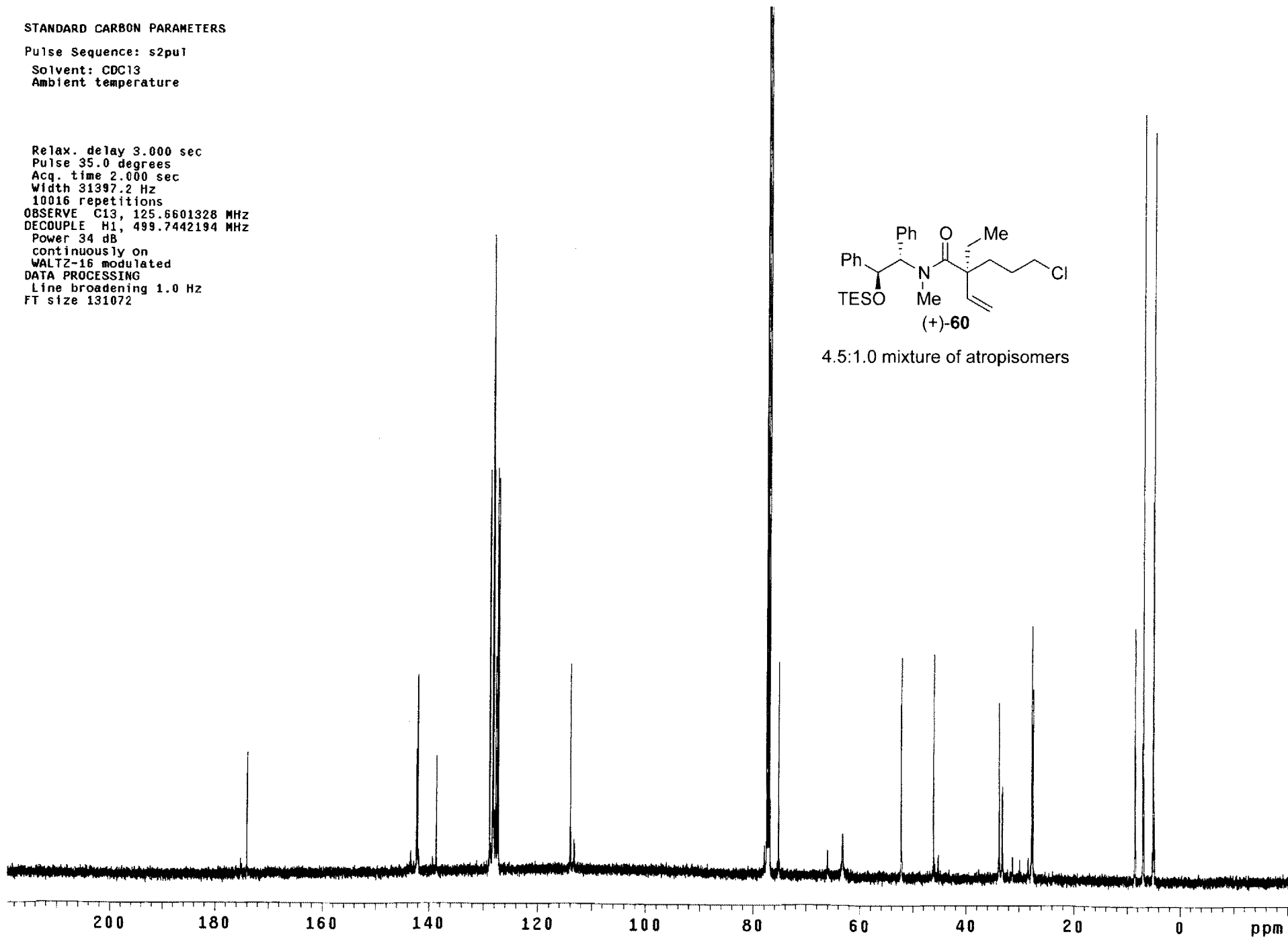
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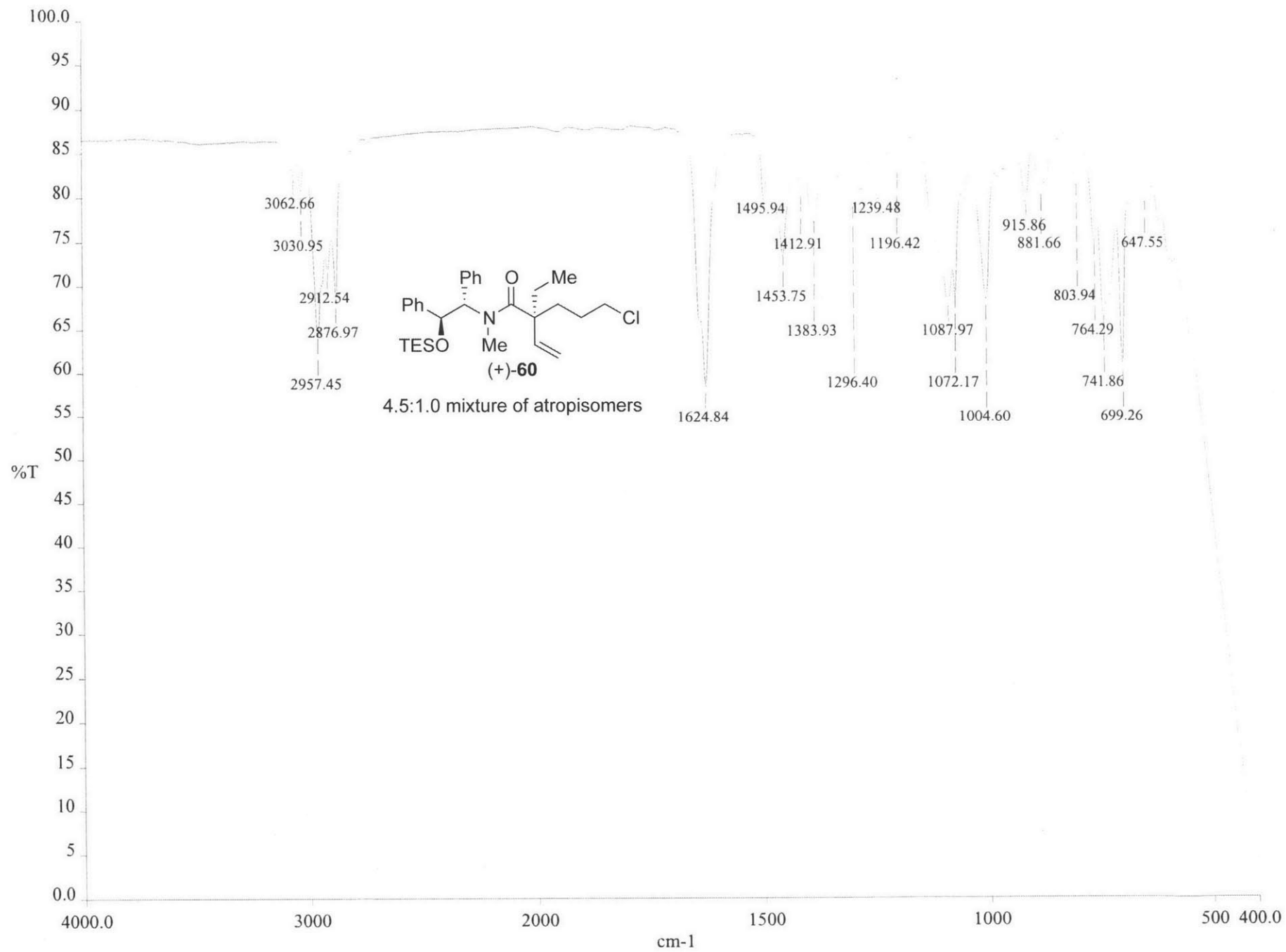
Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 35.0 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
10016 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6601328 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442194 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072



4.5:1.0 mixture of atropisomers





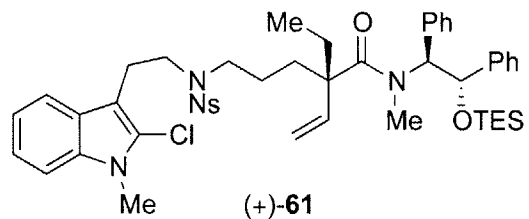
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

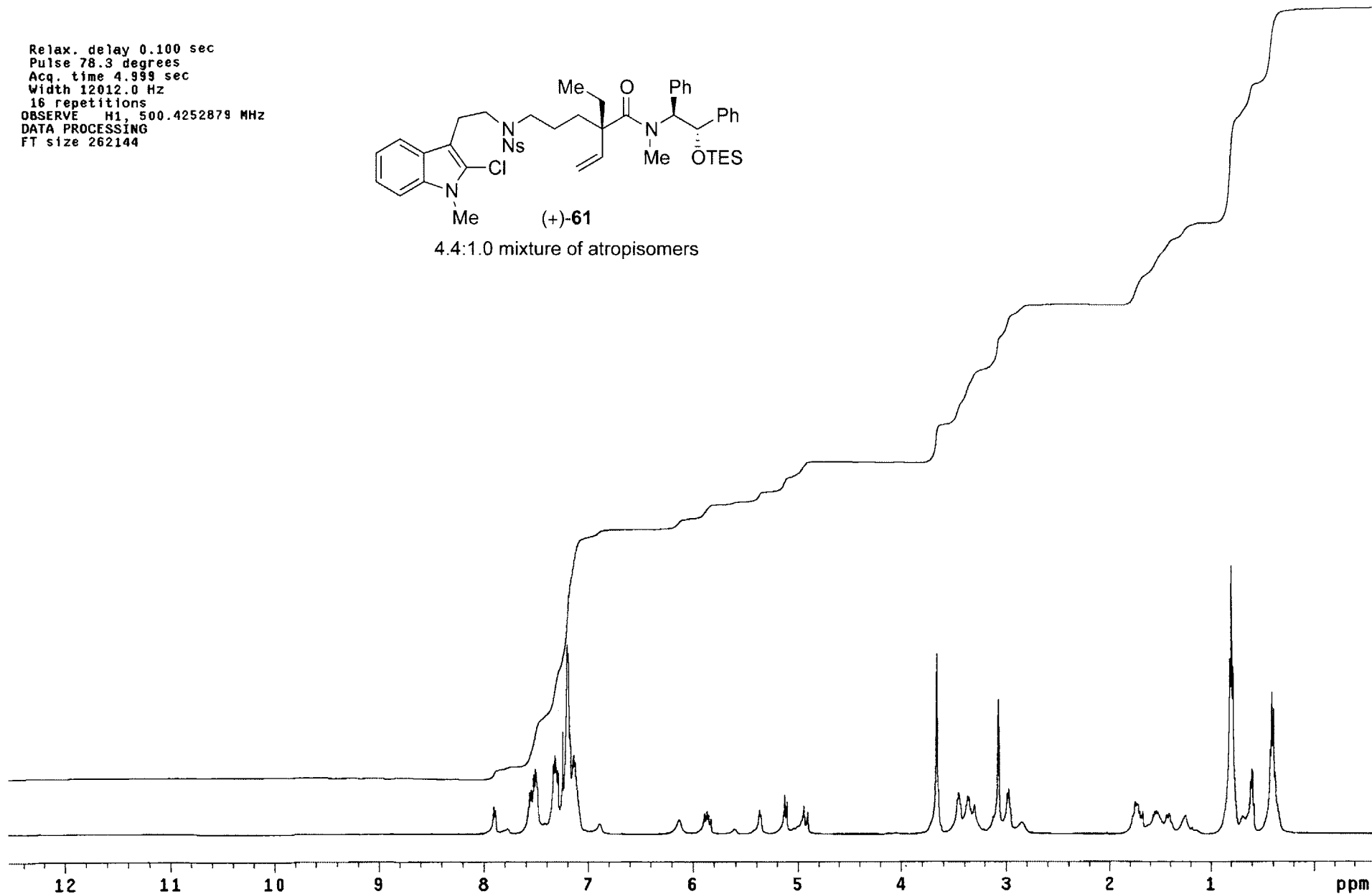
Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
Pulse 78.3 degrees  
Acq. time 4.999 sec  
Width 12012.0 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.4252879 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



4.4:1.0 mixture of atropisomers



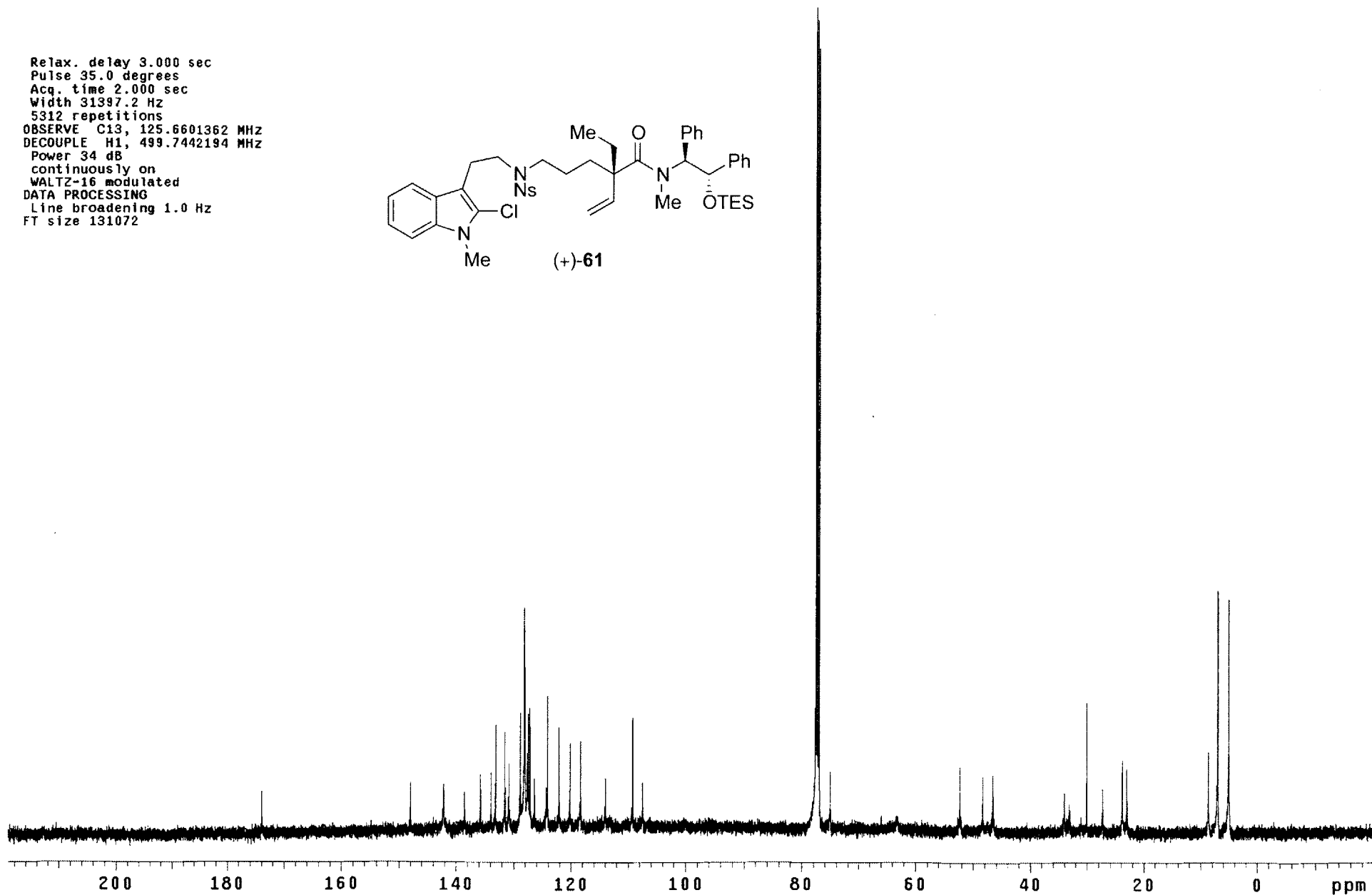
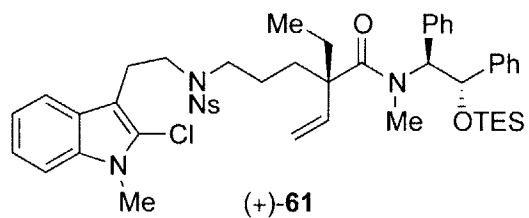
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3

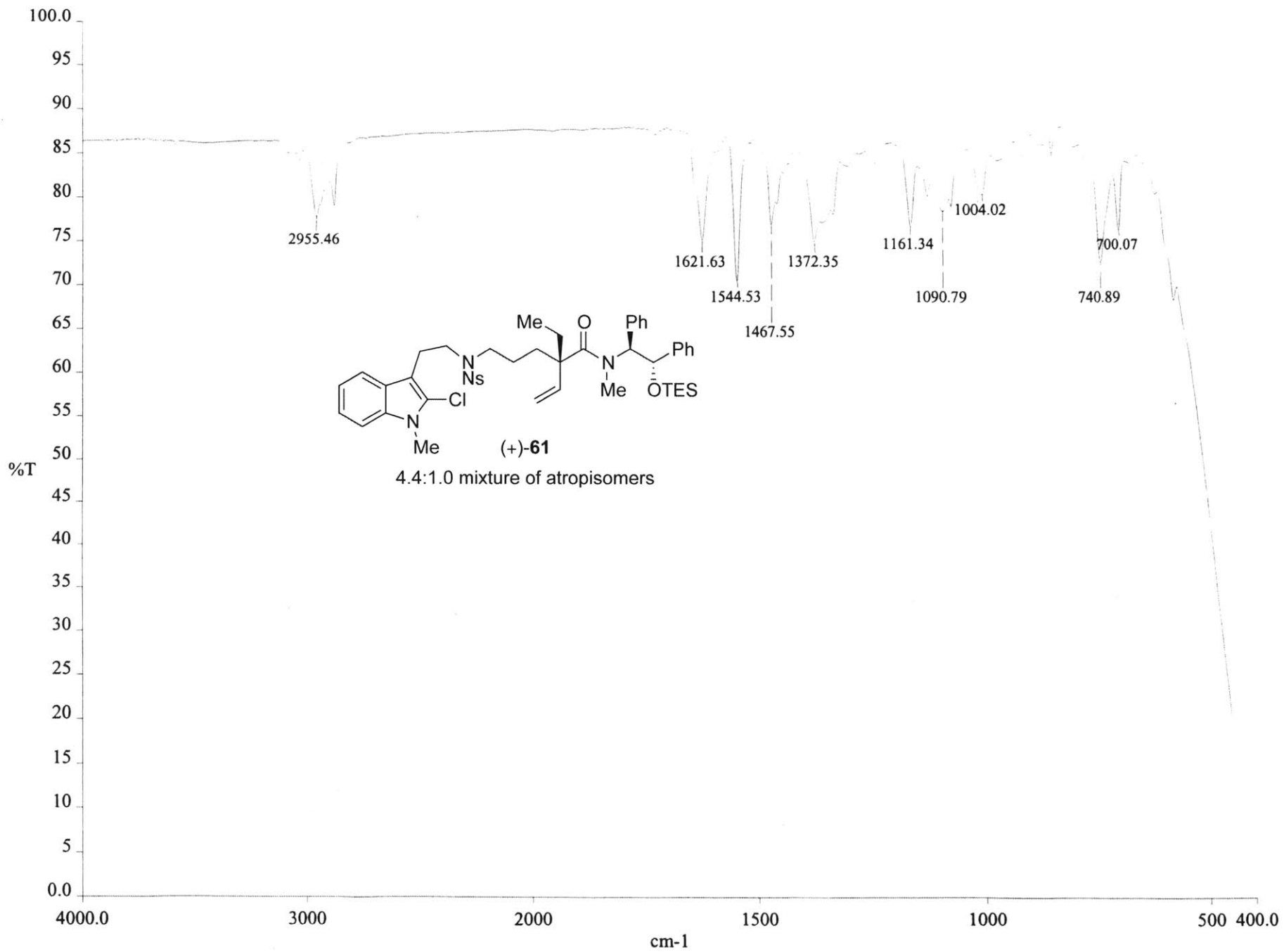
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Pulse 35.0 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
5312 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6601362 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442194 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072





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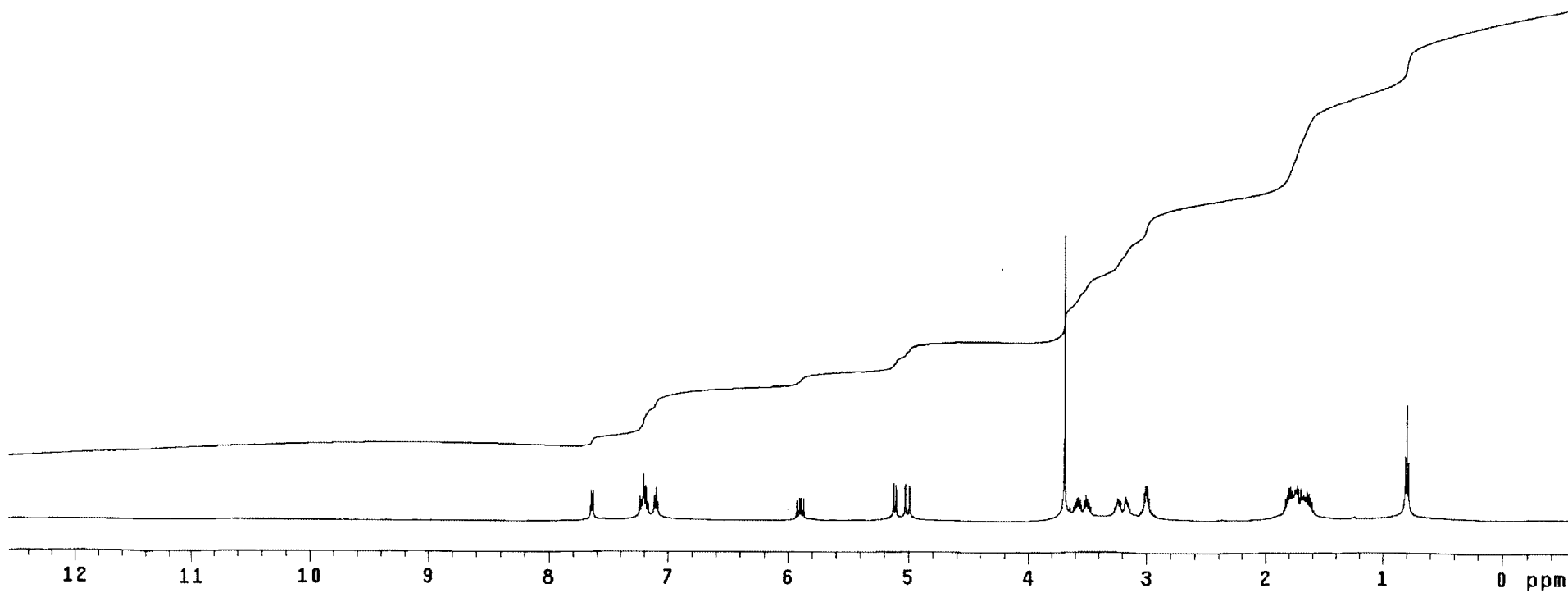
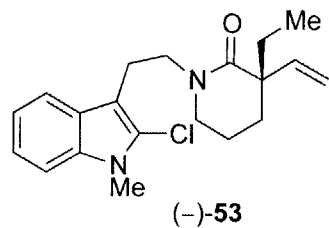
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

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16 repetitions  
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DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



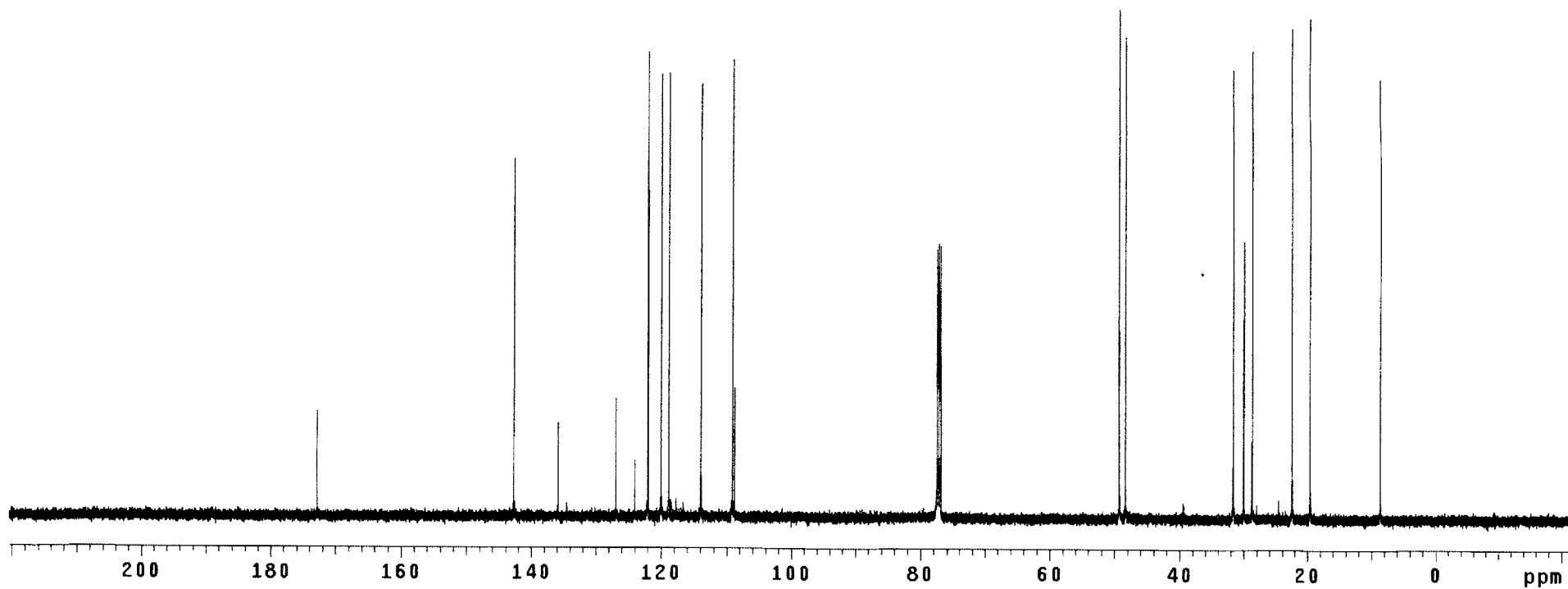
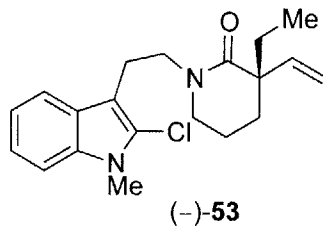
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

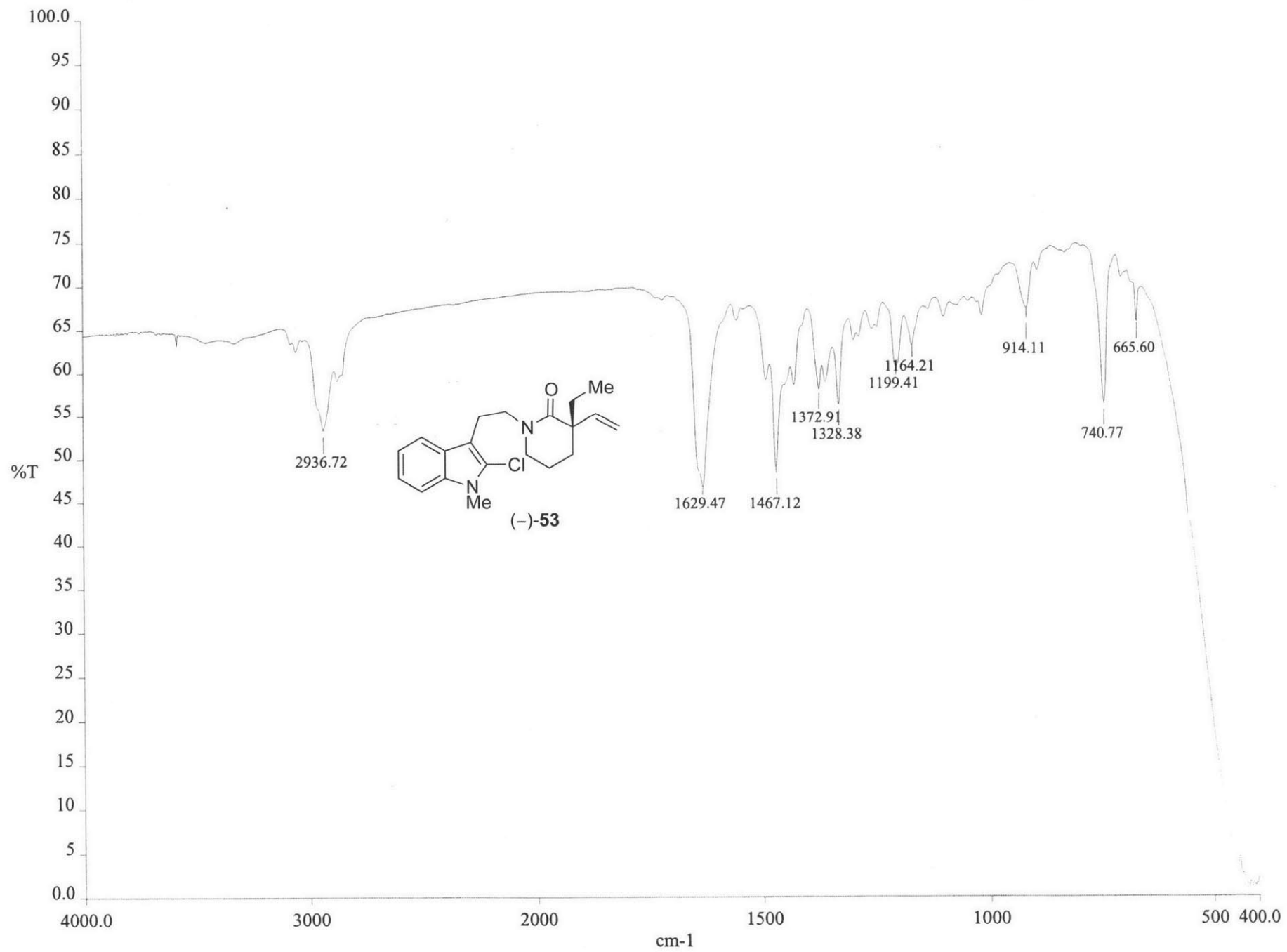
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Solvent: CDC13

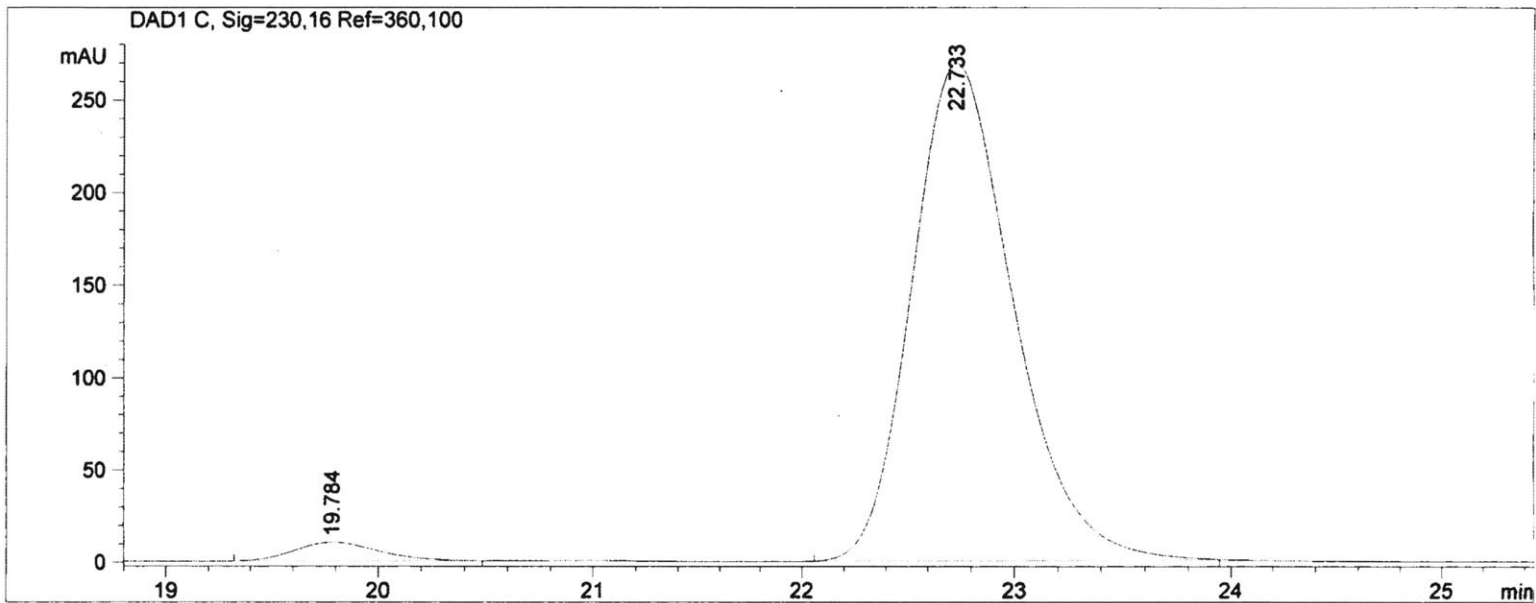
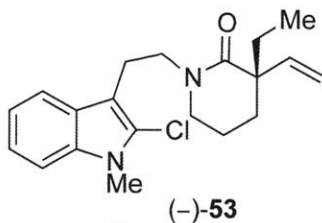
Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.8 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
1095 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822101 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072





75%hex  
Chiralpak IC  
.5 mL/min



Area Percent Report

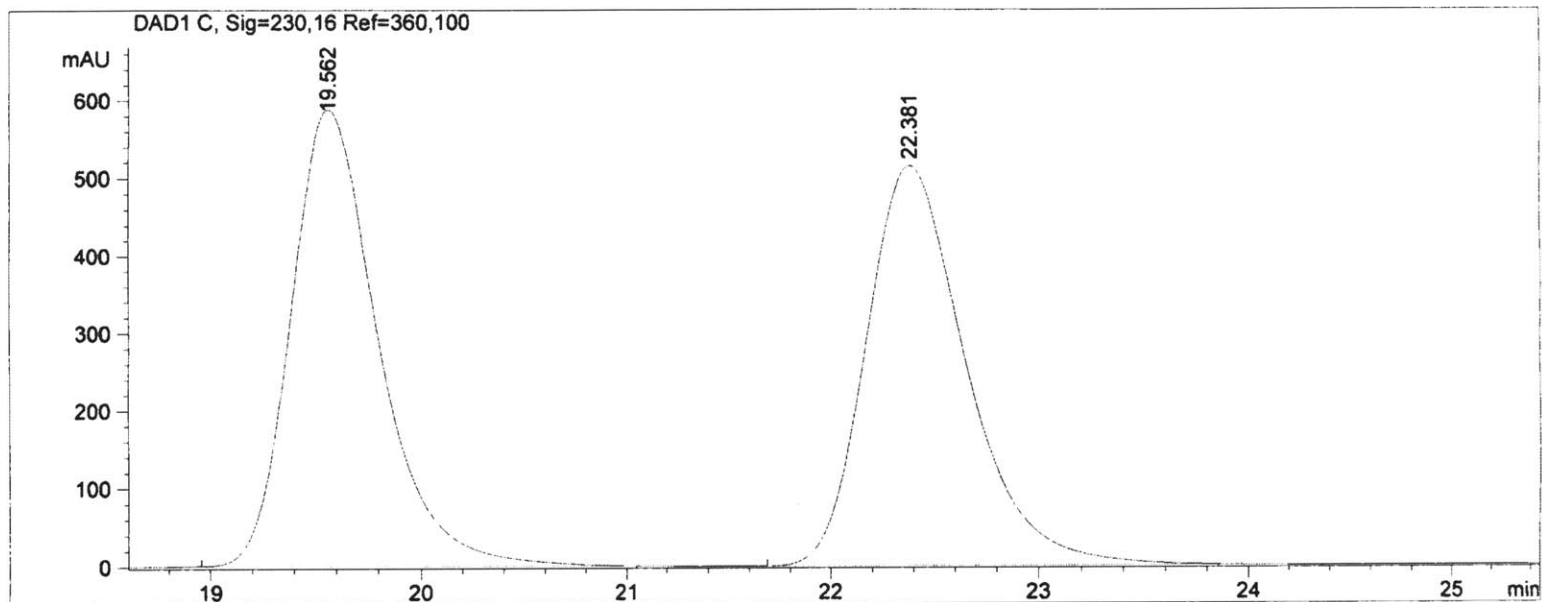
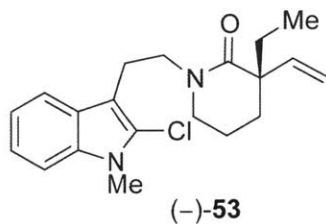
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Dilution : 1.0000  
Use Multiplier & Dilution Factor with ISTDs

Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=230,16 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	19.784	BB	0.3298	280.11615	10.21808	3.0750
2	22.733	BB	0.5051	8829.24609	268.90414	96.9250

Totals : 9109.36224 279.12222

75%hex  
Chiralpak IC  
.5 mL/min



Area Percent Report

Sorted By : Signal  
Multiplier : 1.0000  
Dilution : 1.0000  
Use Multiplier & Dilution Factor with ISTDs

Signal 1: DAD1 C, Sig=230,16 Ref=360,100

Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	19.562	BB	0.4421	1.69635e4	587.10394	49.7855
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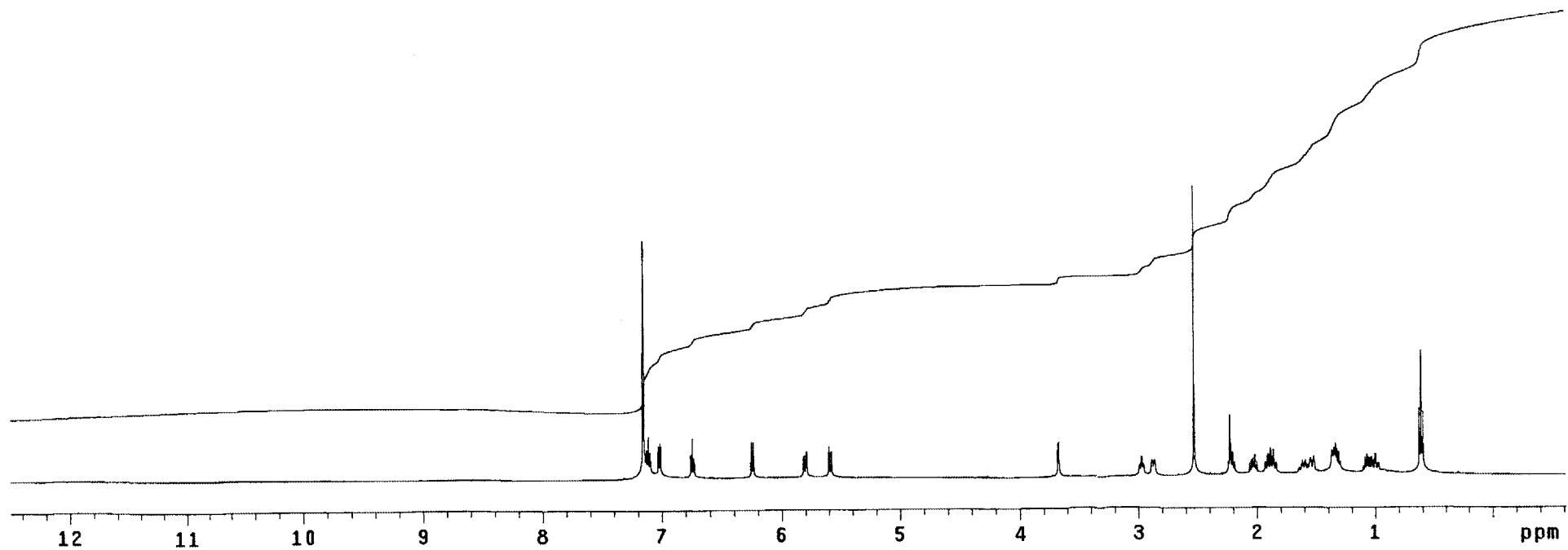
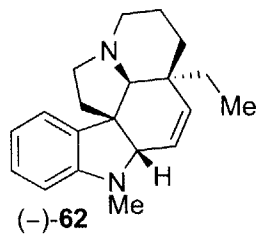
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: Benzene

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
Pulse 78.3 degrees  
Acq. time 4.999 sec  
Width 12012.0 Hz  
16 repetitions  
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DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144

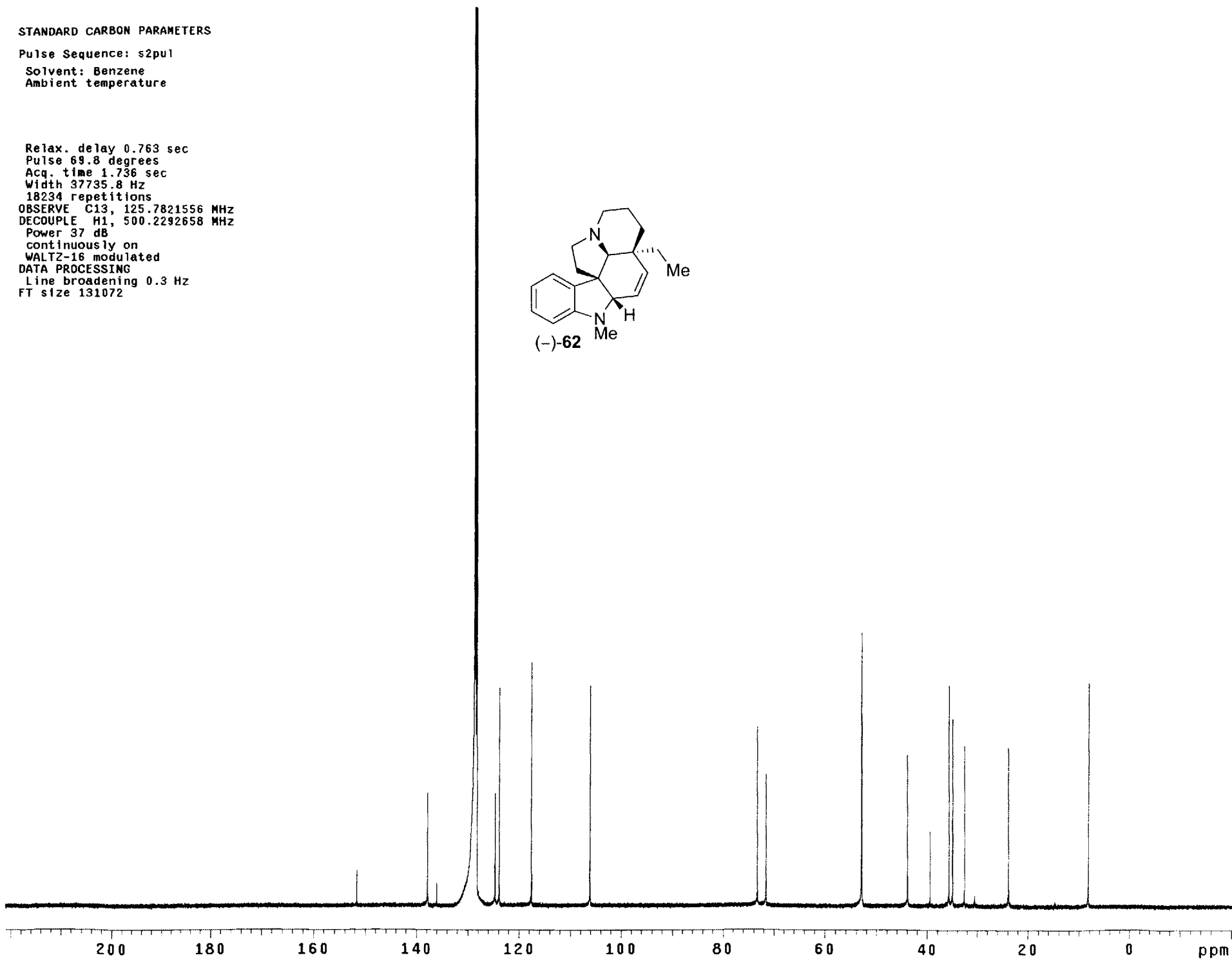
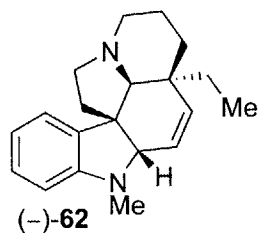


STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

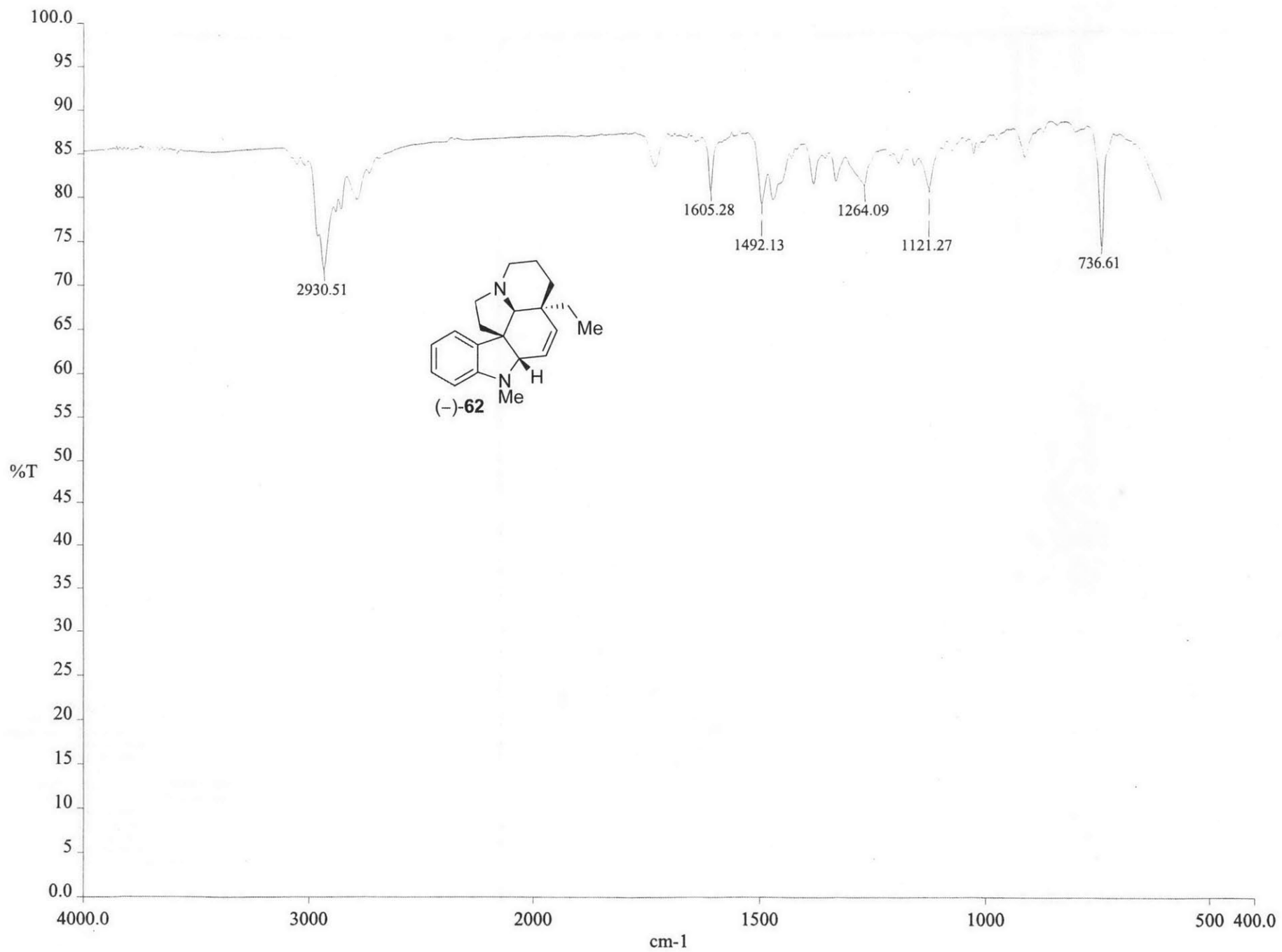
Solvent: Benzene  
Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.8 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
18234 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7821556 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292658 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072





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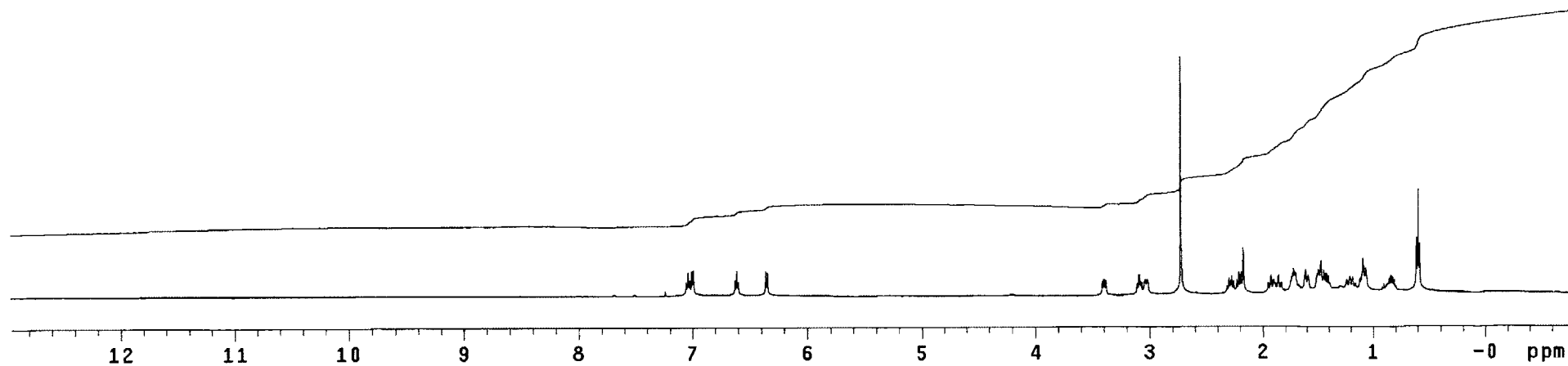
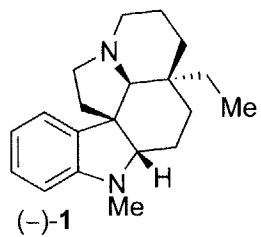
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Pulse 76.1 degrees  
Acq. time 3.200 sec  
Width 10000.0 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 500.2272319 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 131072



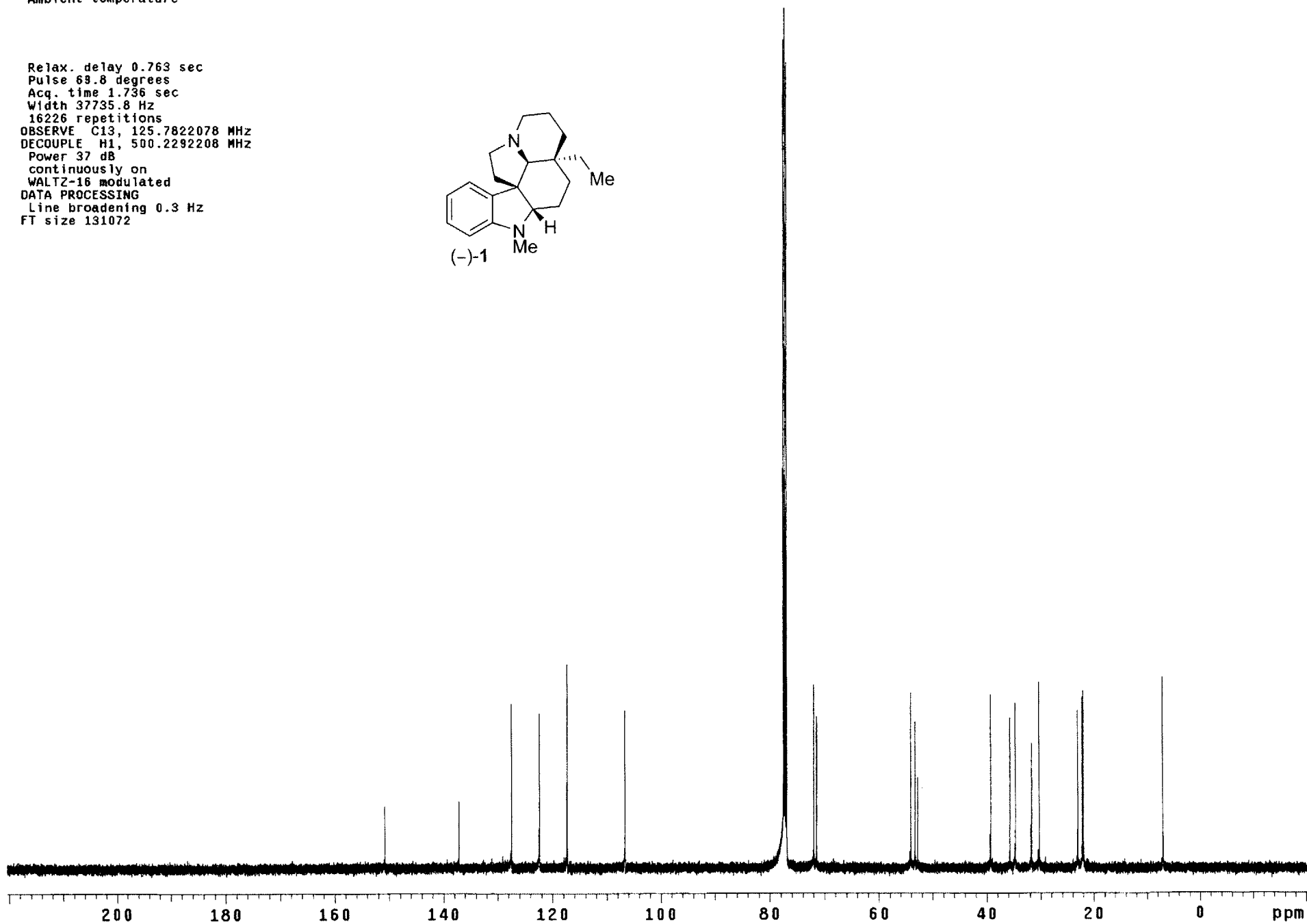
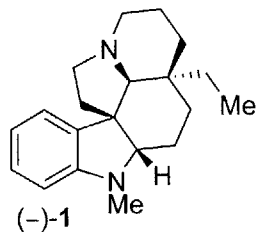
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

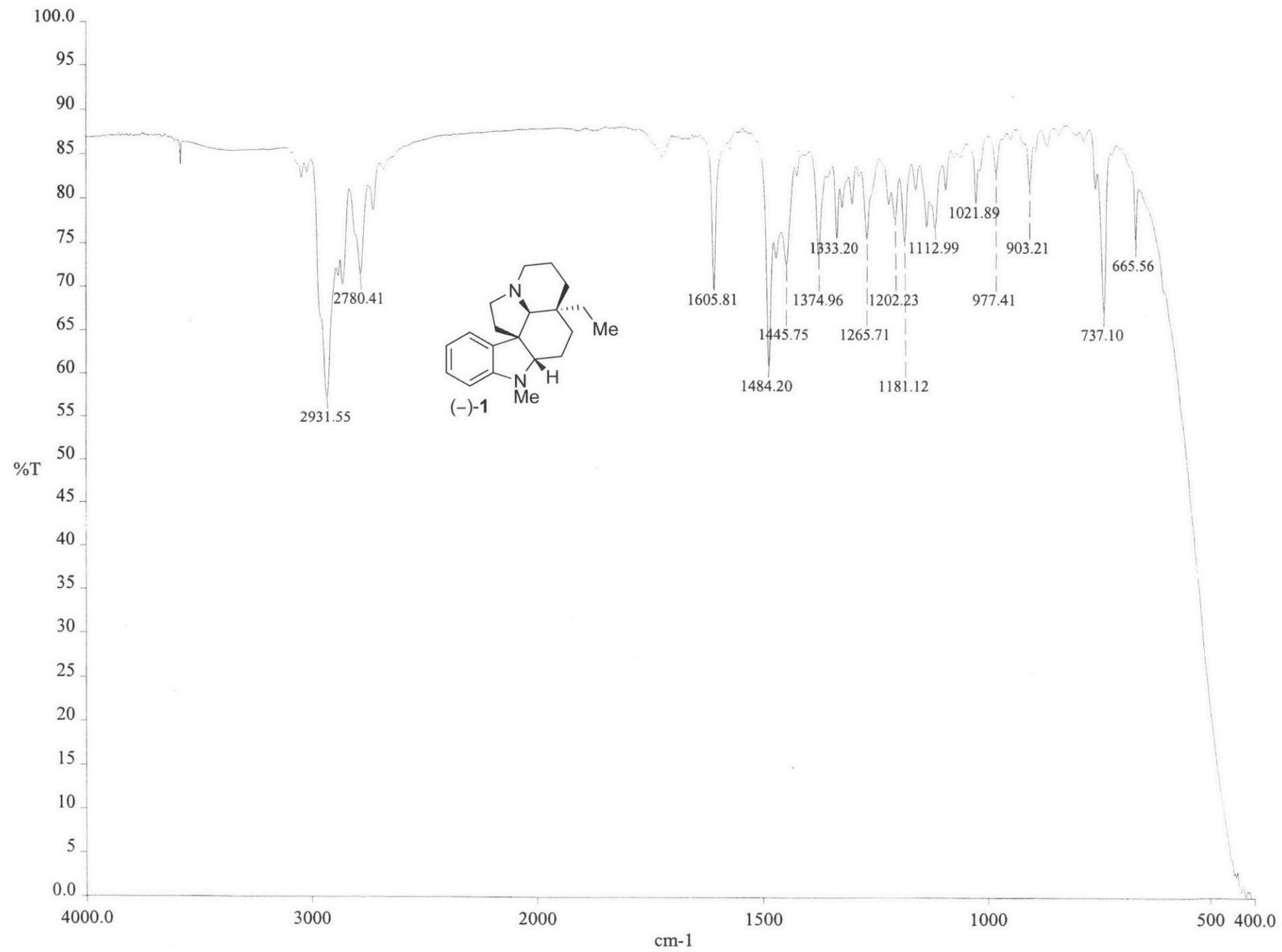
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 69.8 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
16226 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822078 MHz  
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Power 37 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 131072





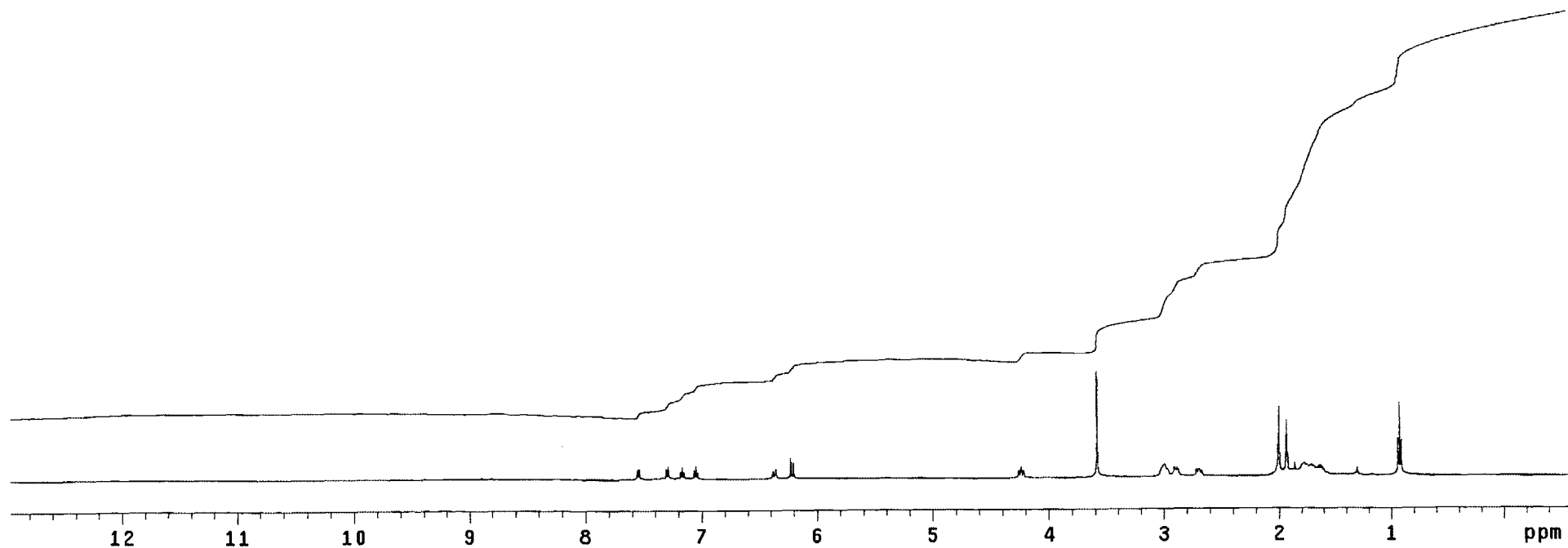
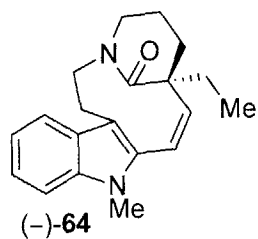
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CD3CN

Temp. 72.0 C / 345.1 K

Pulse 76.1 degrees  
Acq. time 3.200 sec  
Width 10000.0 Hz  
42 repetitions  
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DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 131072



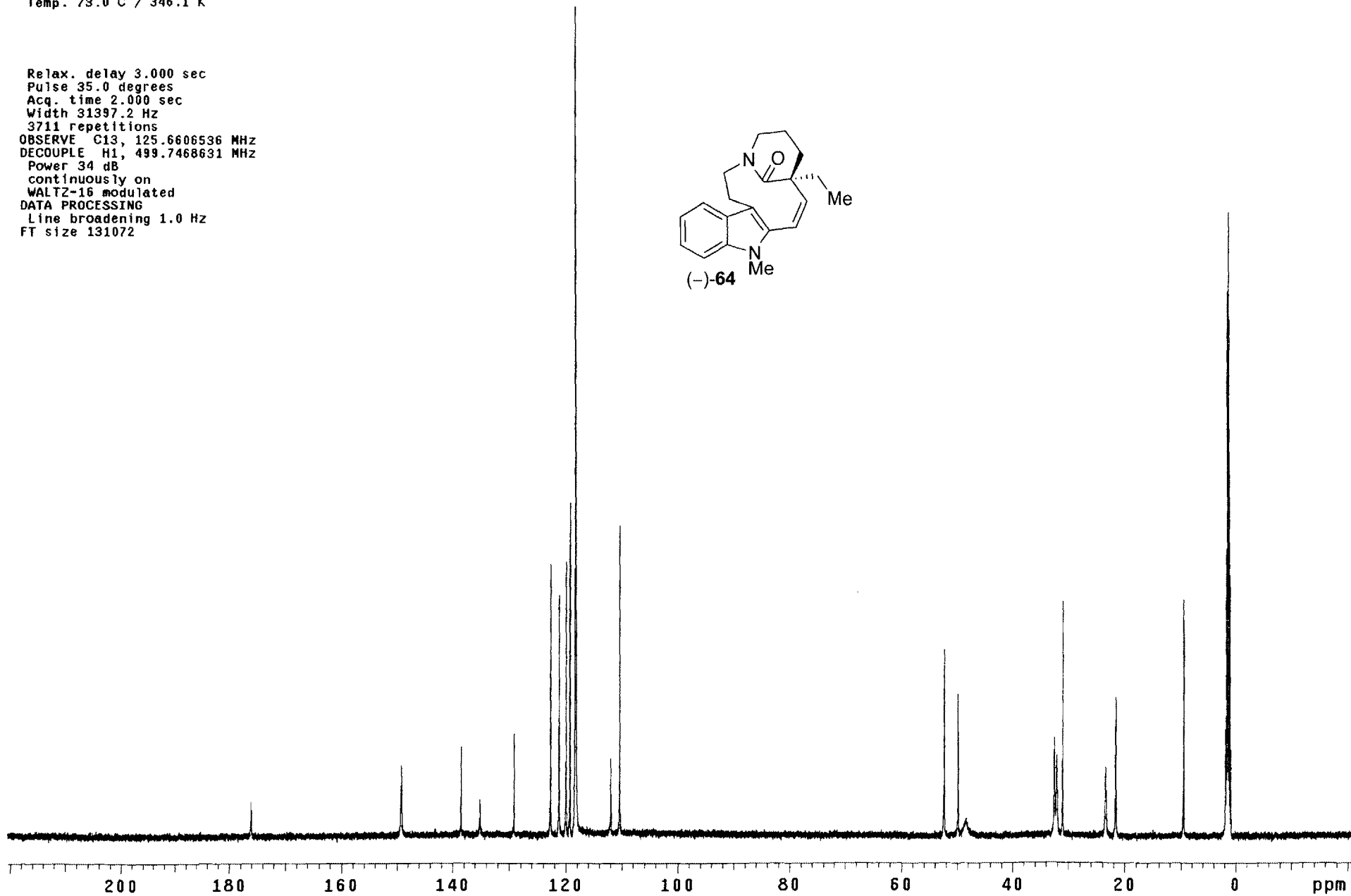
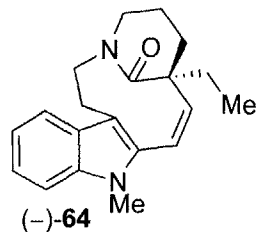
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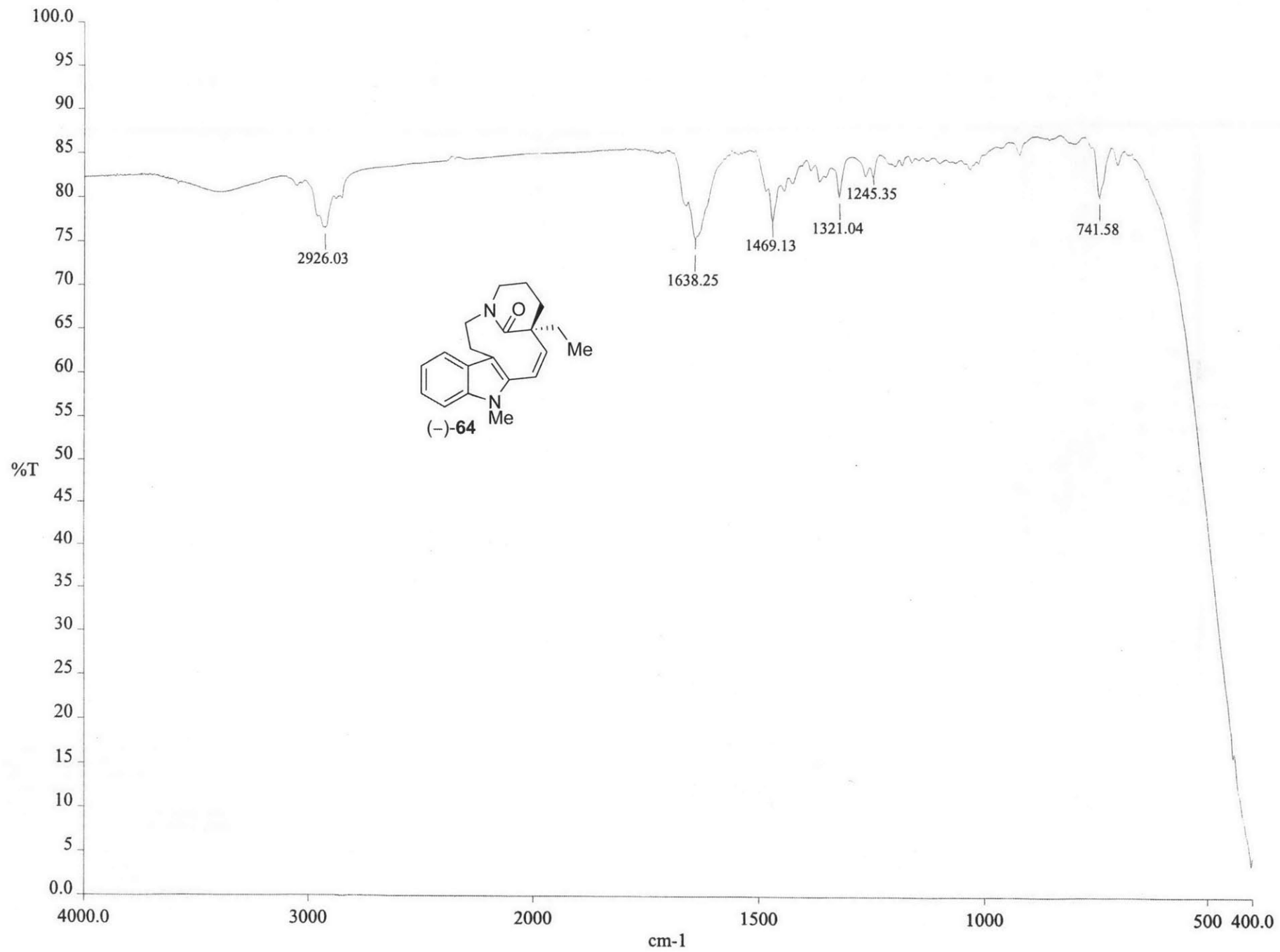
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CD3CN

Temp. 73.0 C / 346.1 K

Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 35.0 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
3711 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6606536 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7466631 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072





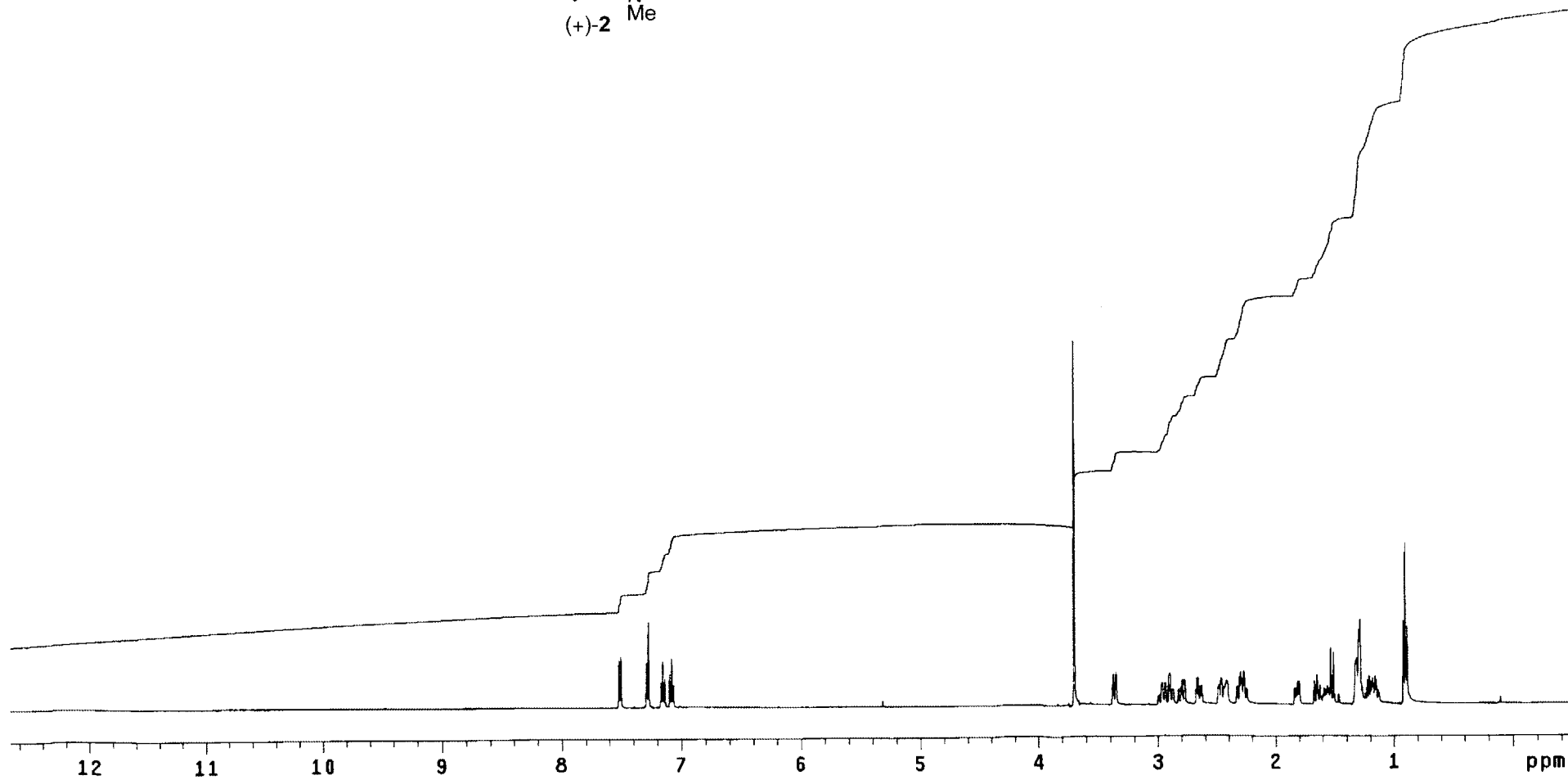
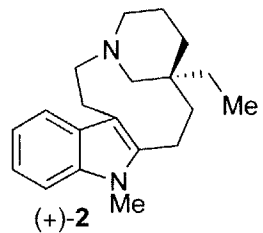
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
Pulse 60.3 degrees  
Acq. time 4.999 sec  
Width 12012.0 Hz  
32 repetitions  
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DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144





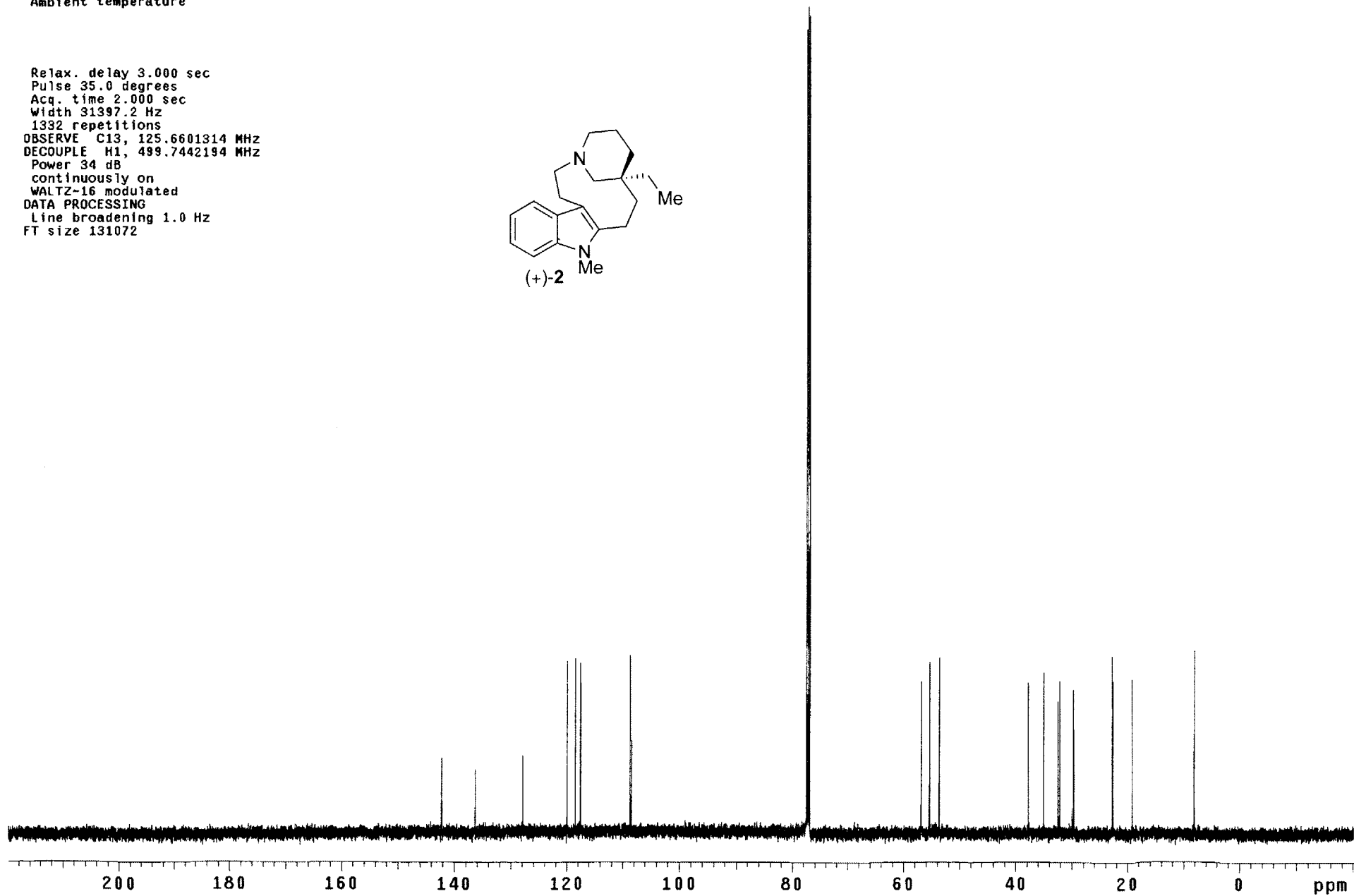
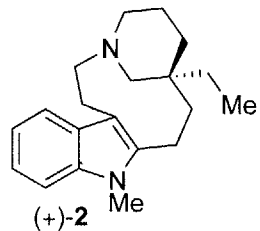
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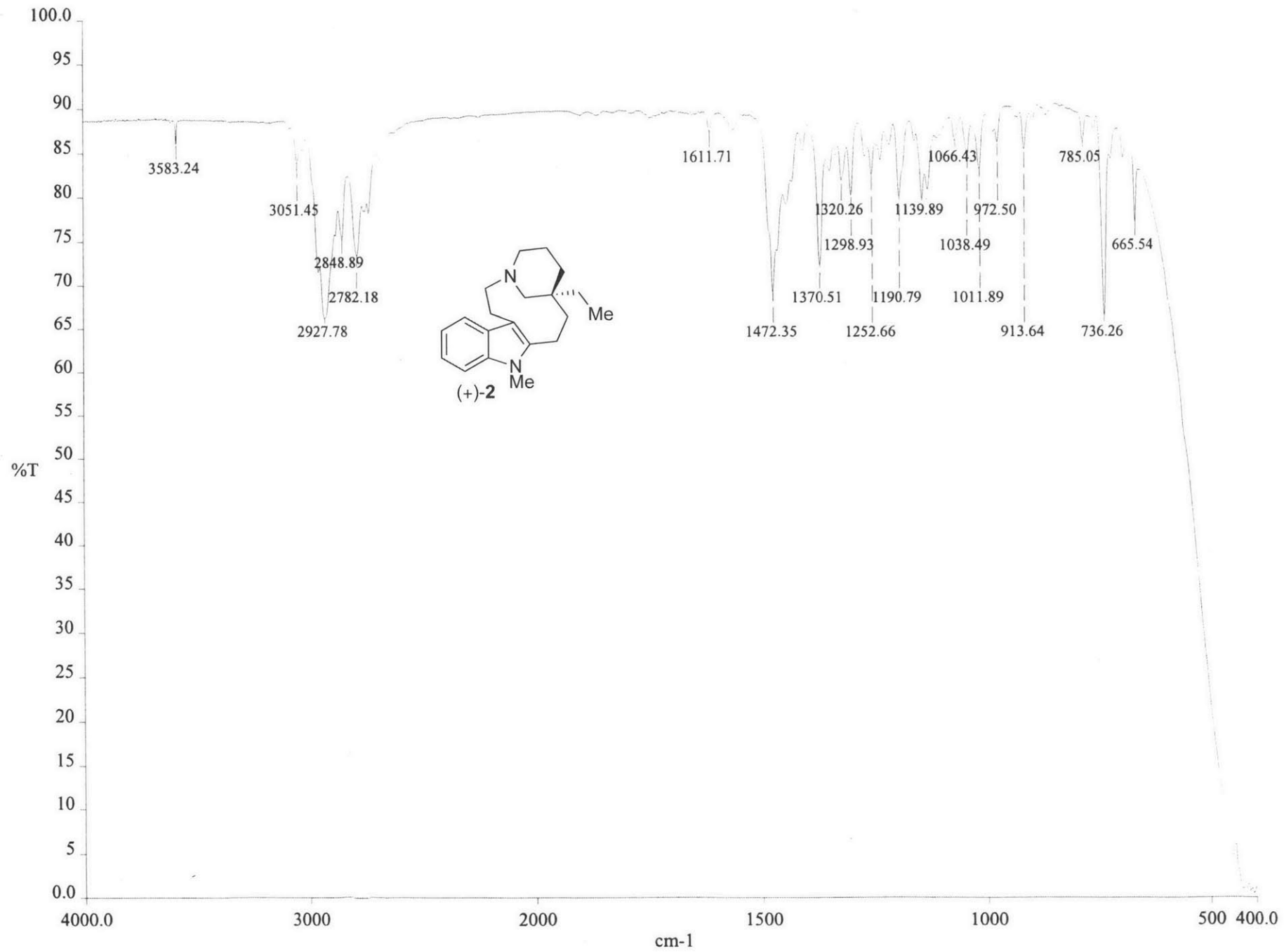
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 35.0 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
1332 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6601314 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442194 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072





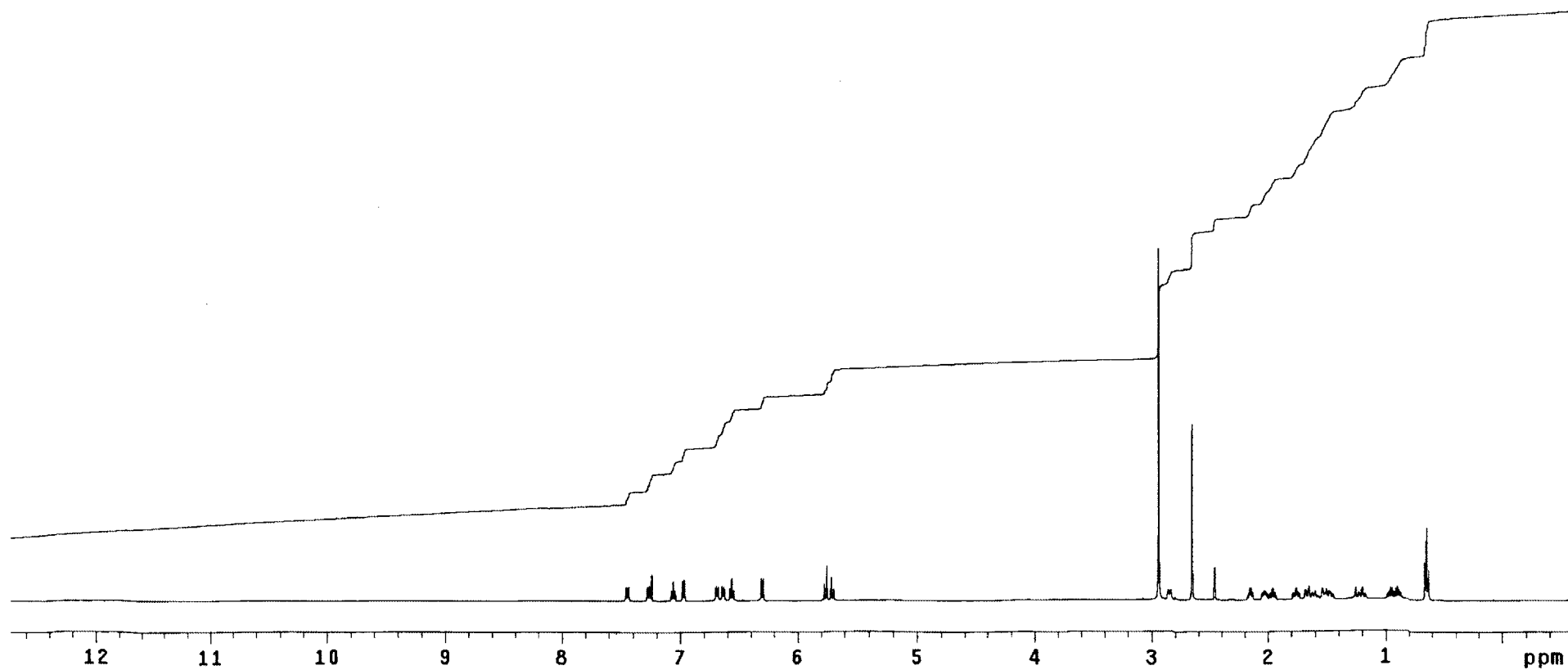
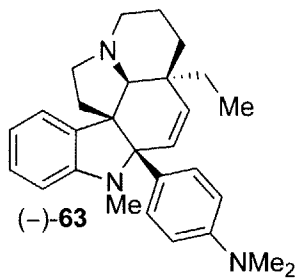
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 2.000 sec  
Pulse 81.5 degrees  
Acq. time 3.001 sec  
Width 10504.2 Hz  
32 repetitions  
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DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



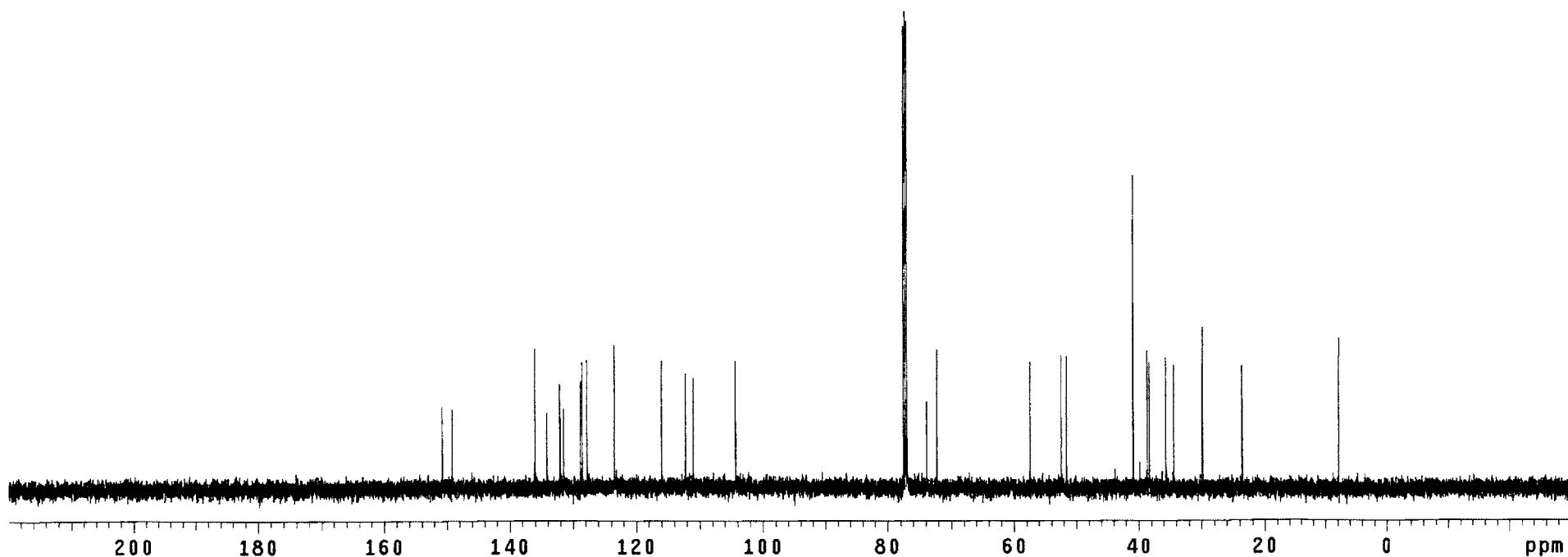
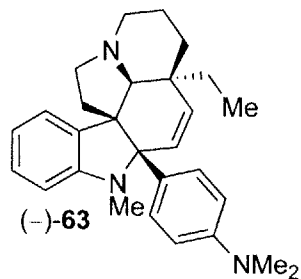
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Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

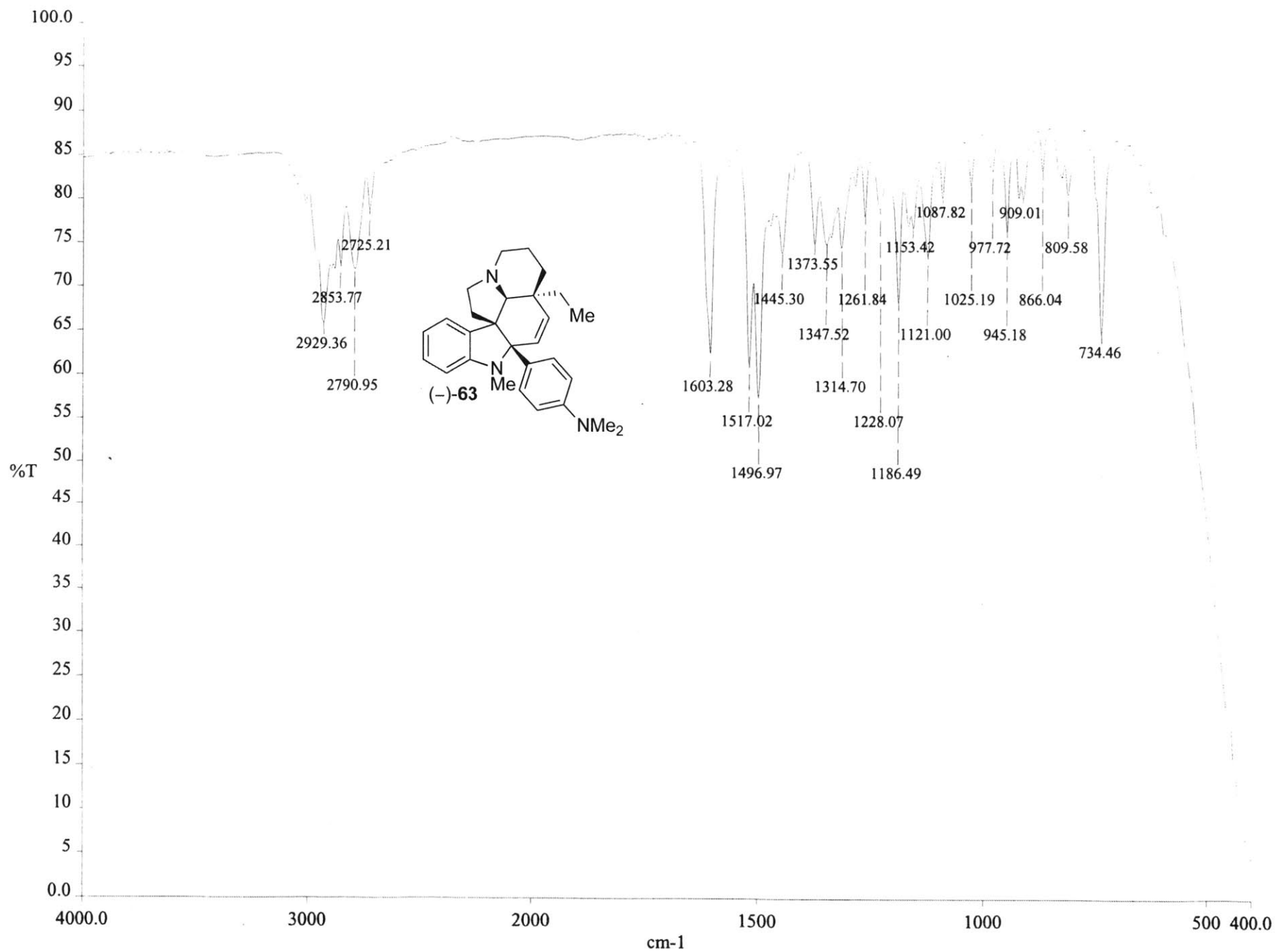
Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 35.0 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31997.2 Hz  
264 repetitions  
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Power 34 dB  
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WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072



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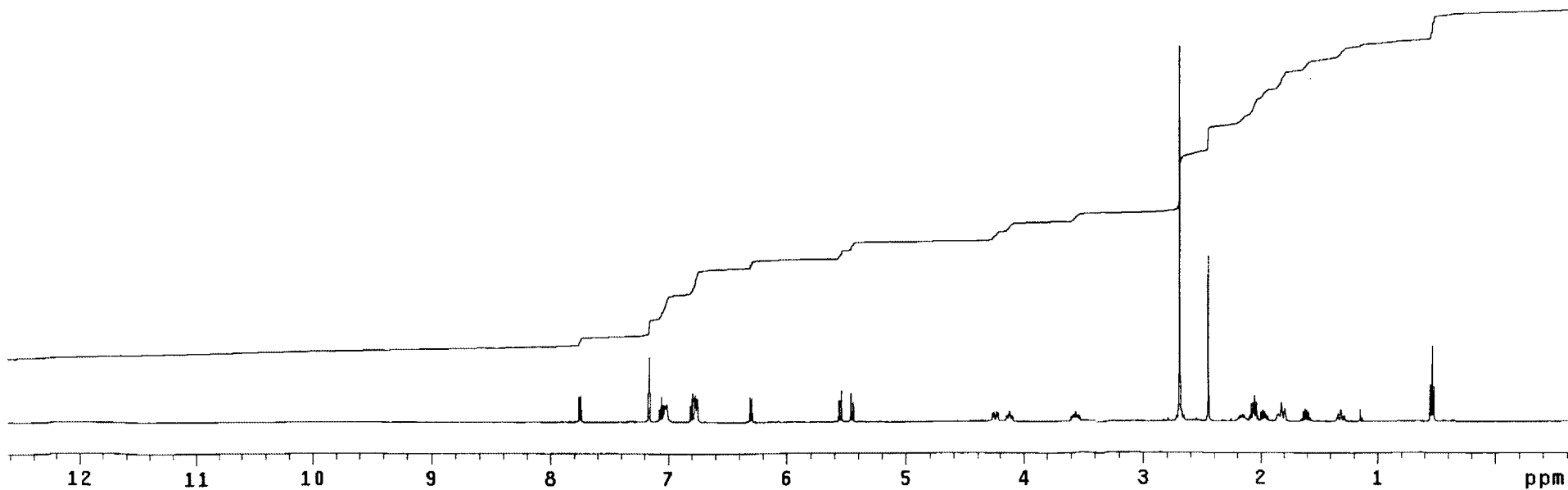
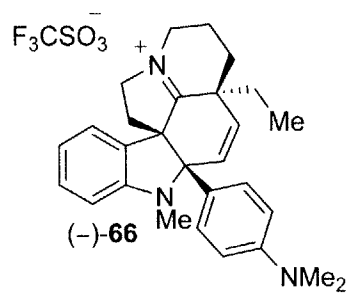
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: Benzene

Temp. 72.0 C / 345.1 K

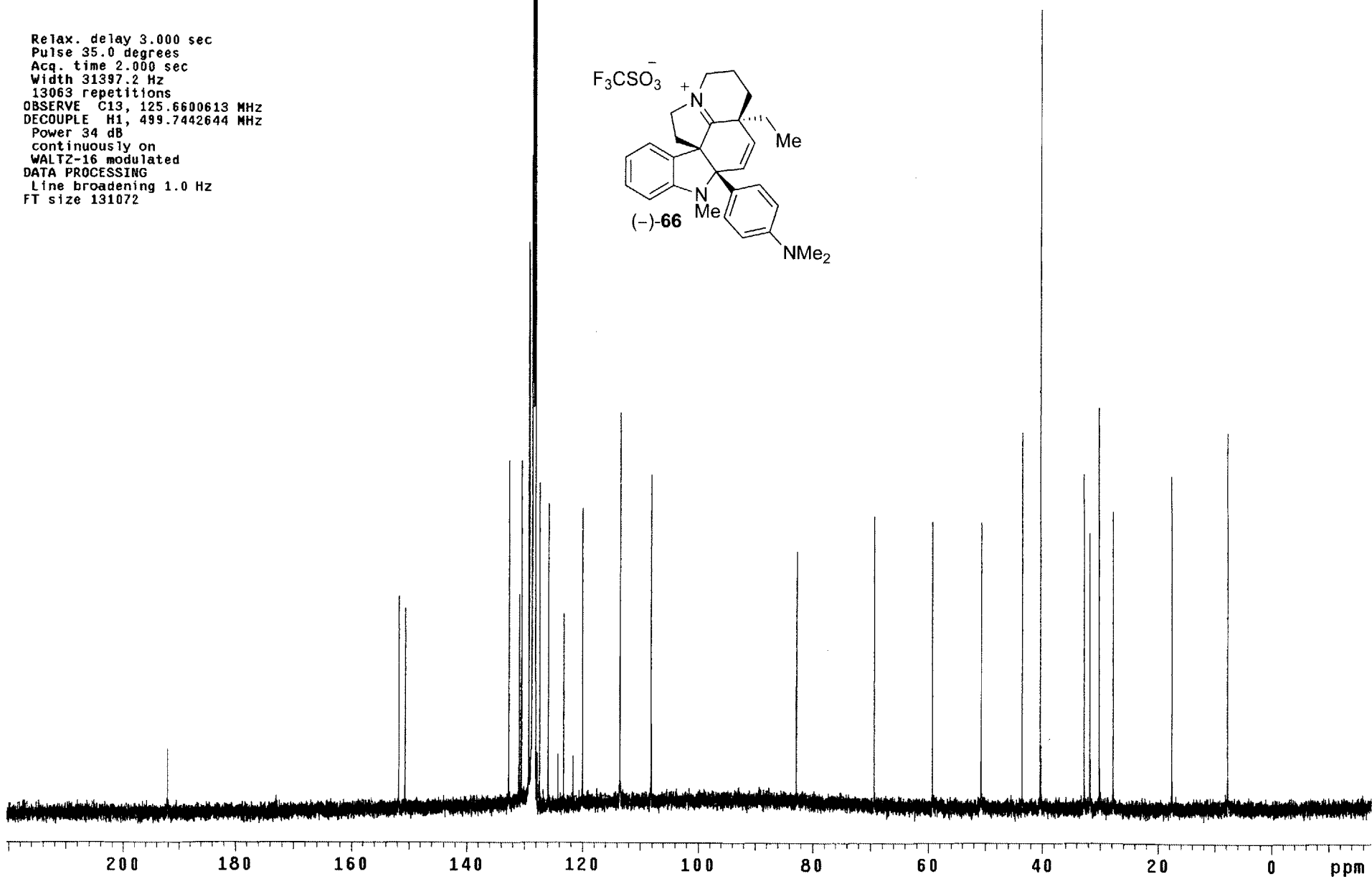
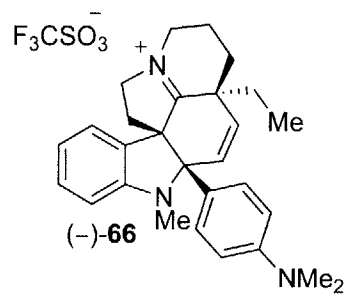
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Pulse 81.5 degrees  
Acq. time 3.001 sec  
Width 10504.2 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 499.7417469 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1  
Solvent: Benzene  
Temp. 72.0 C / 345.1 K

Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 35.0 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
13063 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6600613 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442644 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072



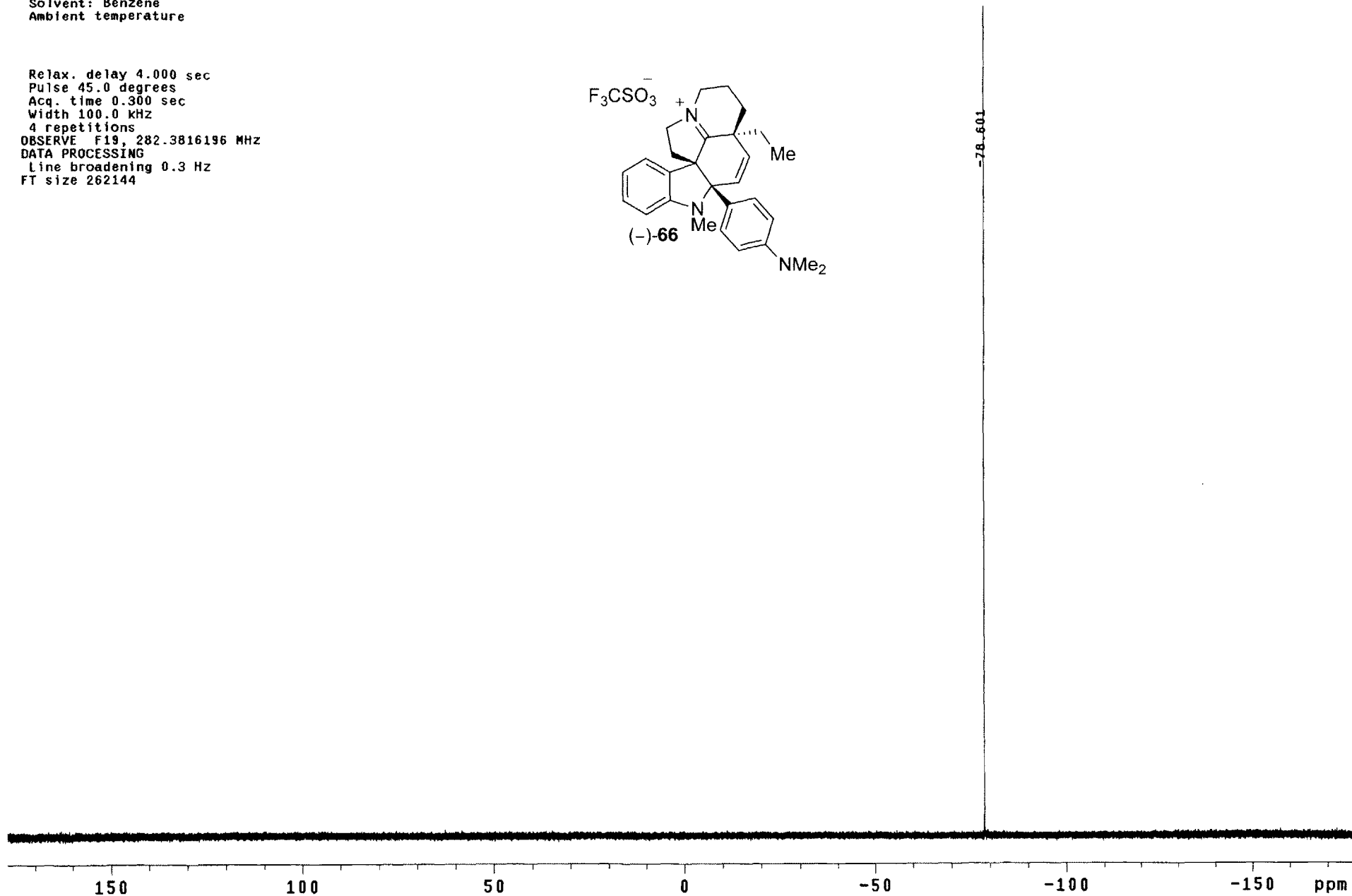
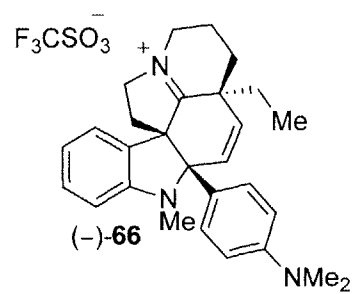
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STANDARD PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

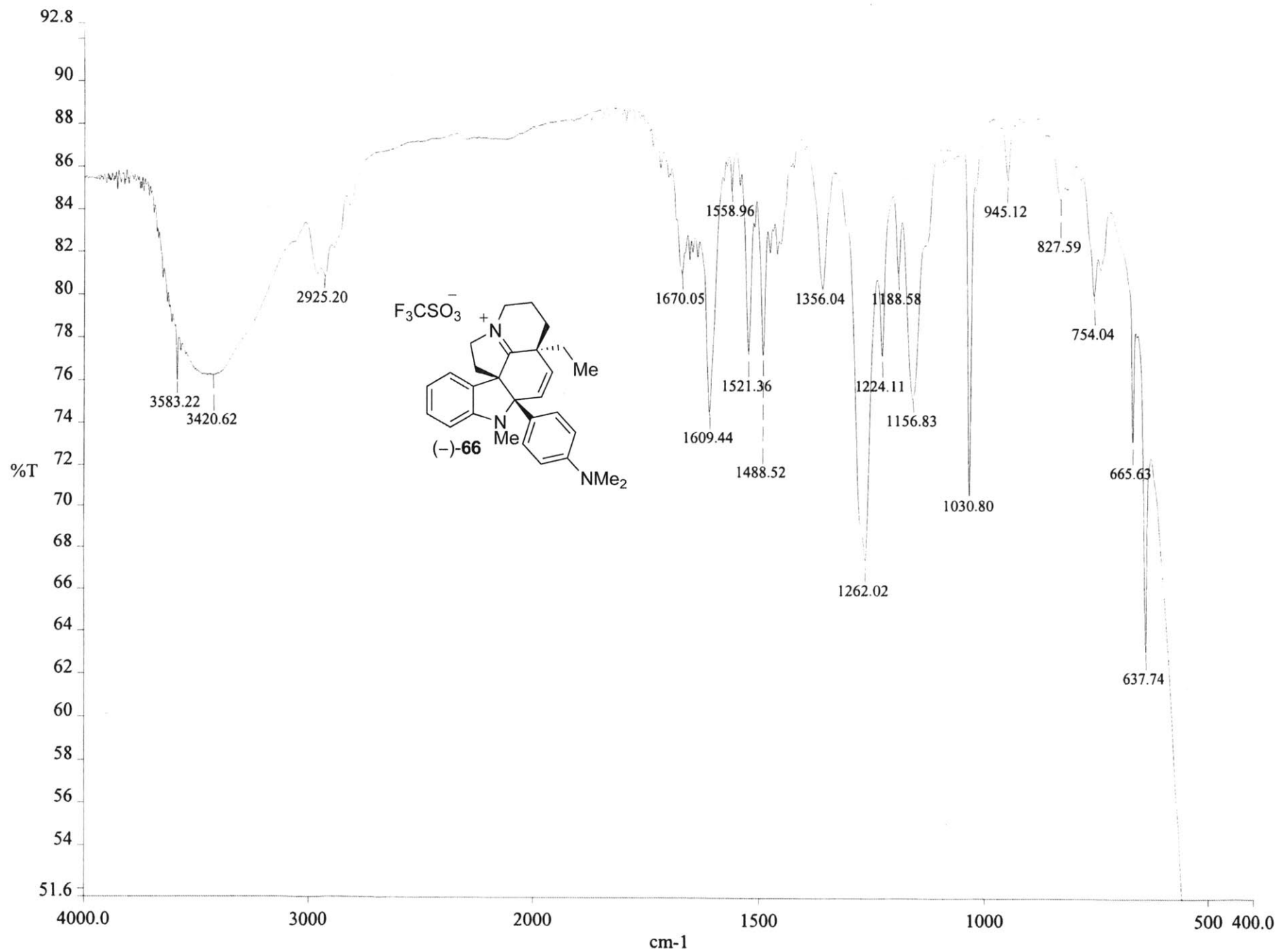
Solvent: Benzene  
Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 4.000 sec  
Pulse 45.0 degrees  
Acq. time 0.300 sec  
Width 100.0 kHz  
4 repetitions  
OBSERVE F19, 282.3816196 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 262144





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STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Temp. 22.0 C / 295.1 K

Relax. delay 2.000 sec

Pulse 81.5 degrees

Acq. time 3.001 sec

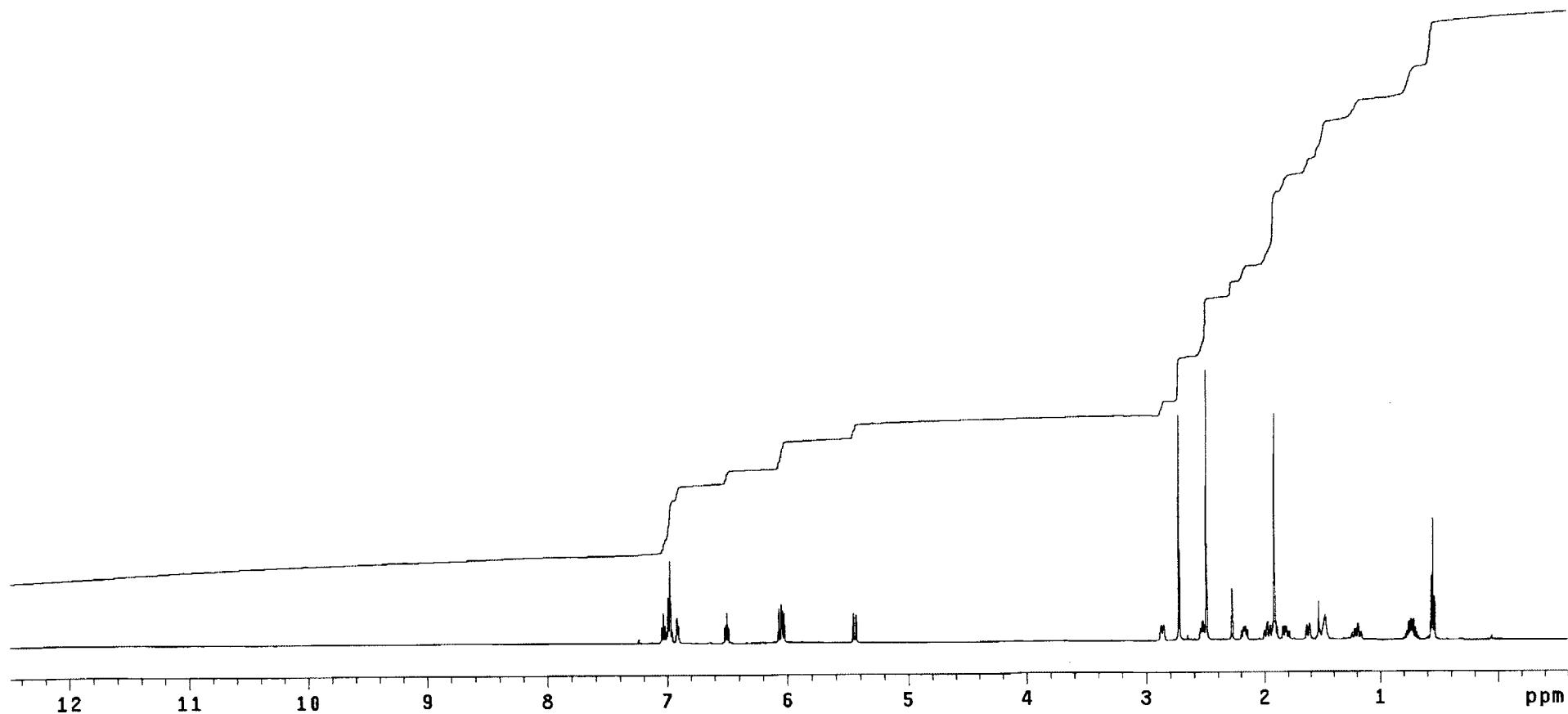
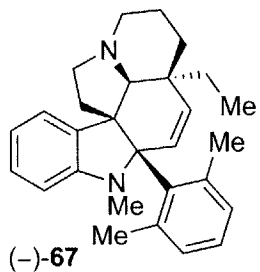
Width 10504.2 Hz

16 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 499.7417327 MHz

DATA PROCESSING

FT size 262144



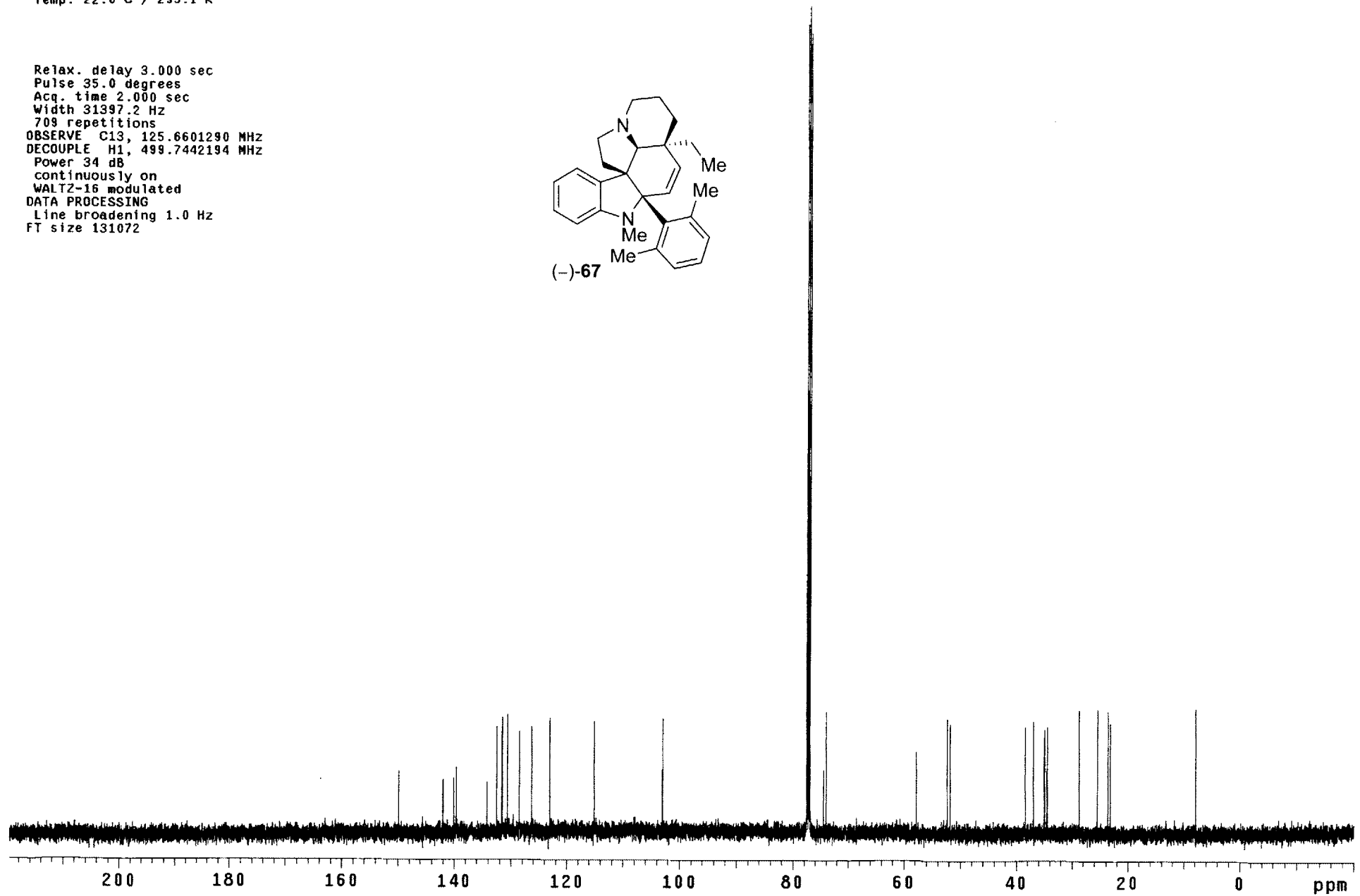
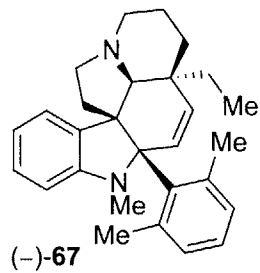
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

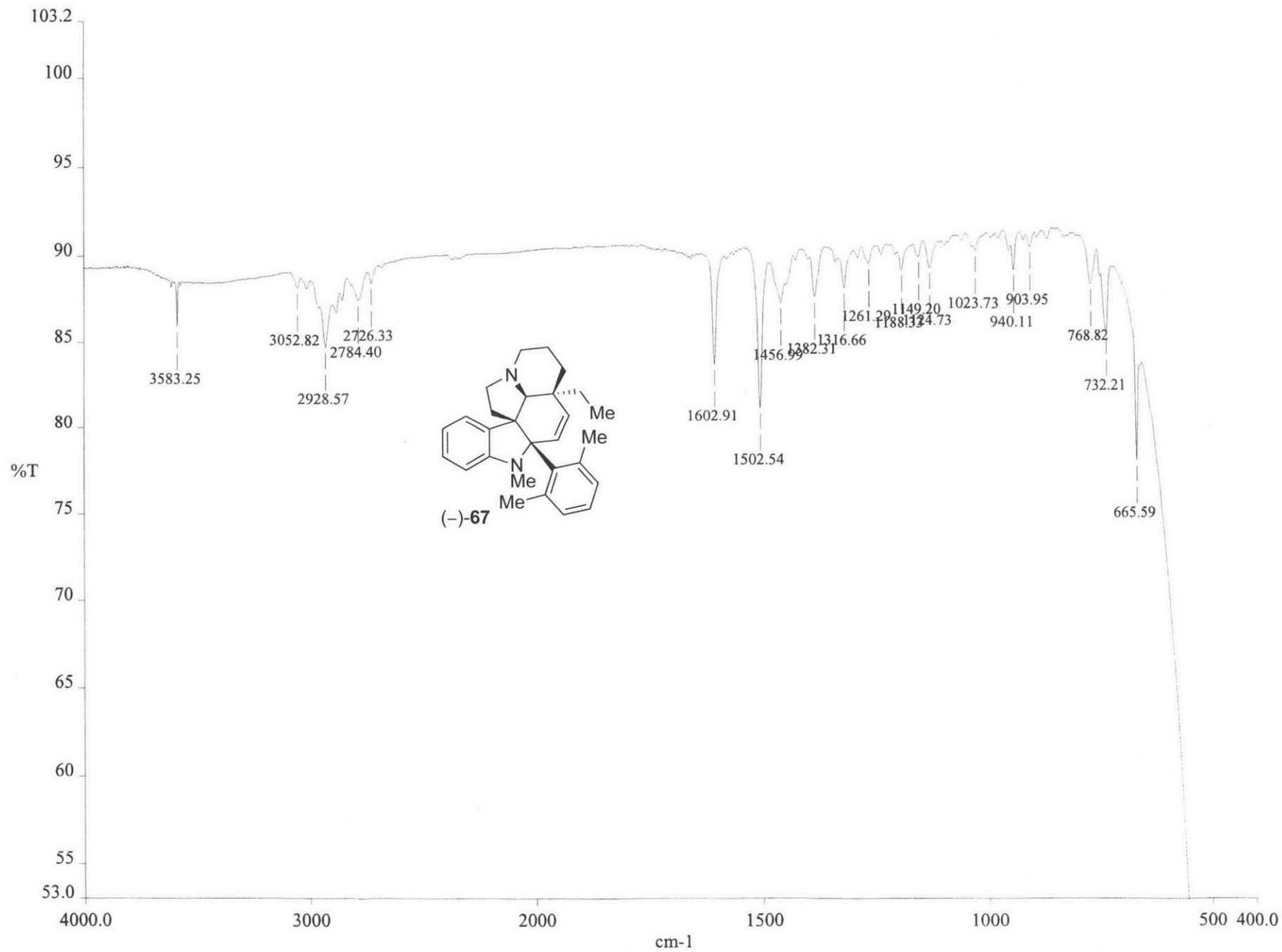
Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Temp. 22.0 C / 295.1 K

Relax. delay 3.000 sec  
Pulse 35.0 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
709 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6601290 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442194 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072

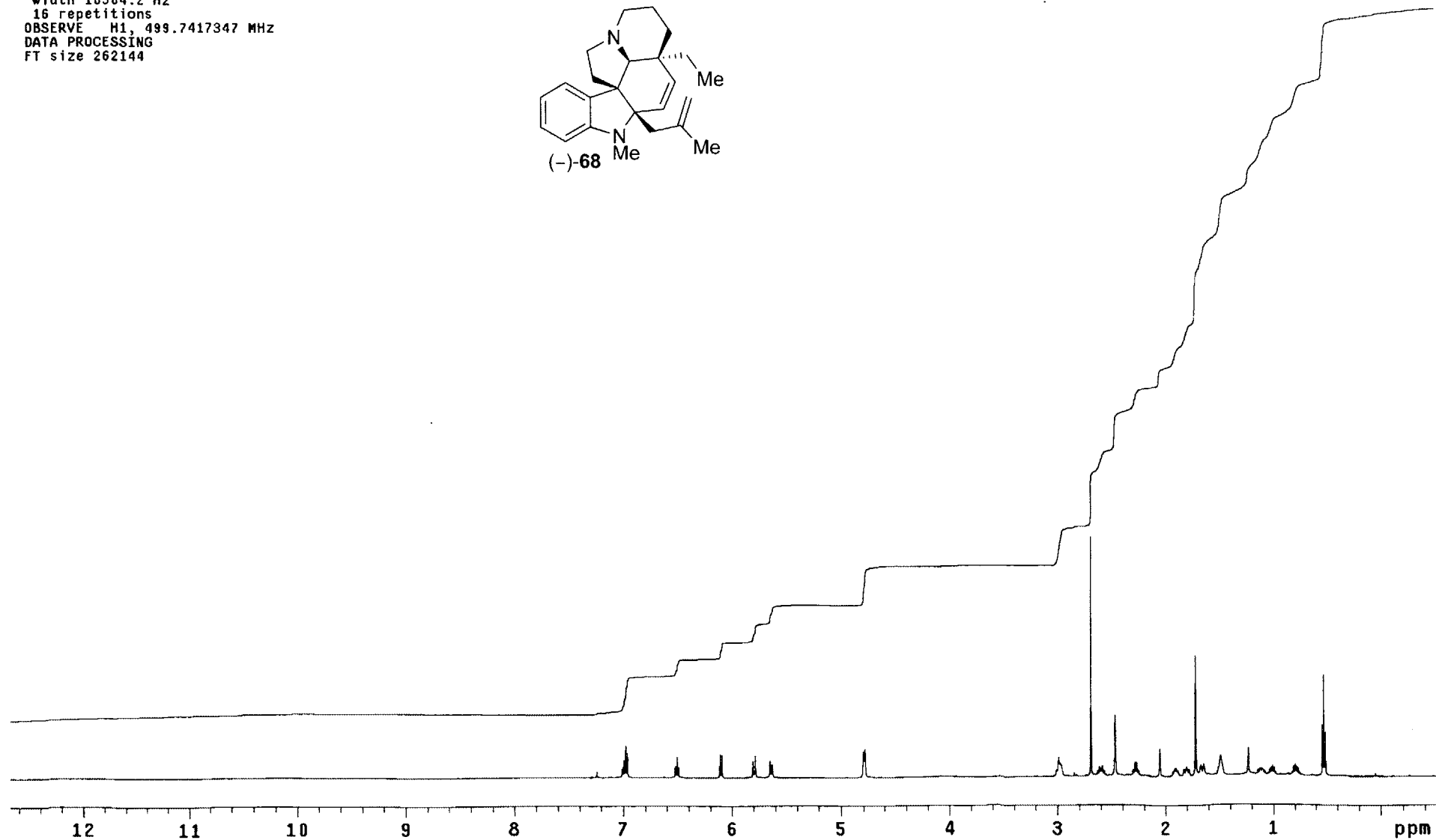
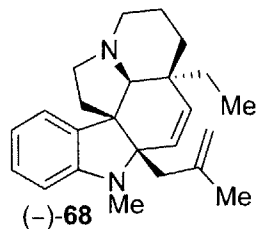




STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1  
Solvent: CDC13  
Temp. 22.0 C / 295.1 K

Relax. delay 2.000 sec  
Pulse 81.5 degrees  
Acq. time 3.001 sec  
Width 10504.2 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 499.7417347 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



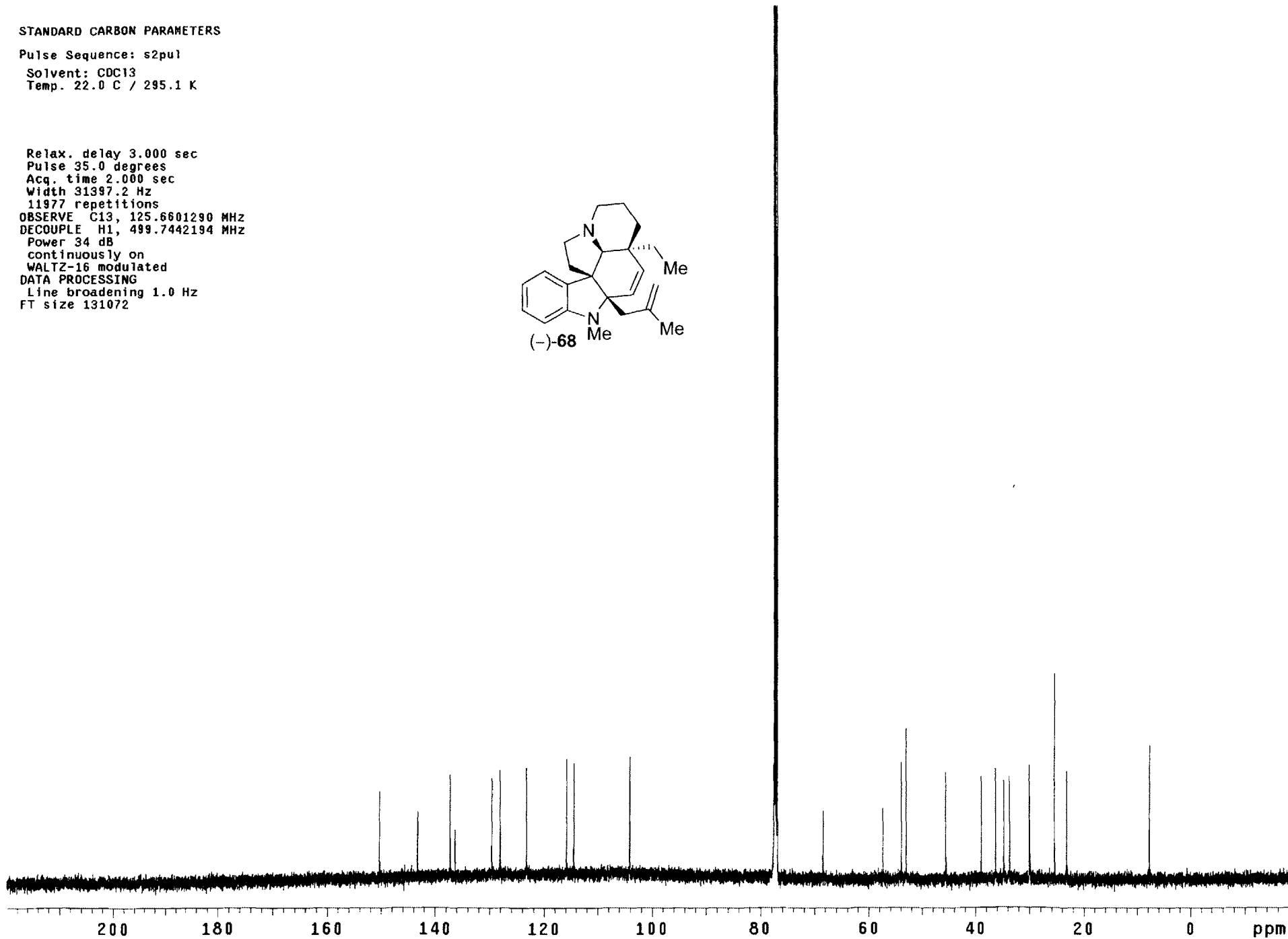
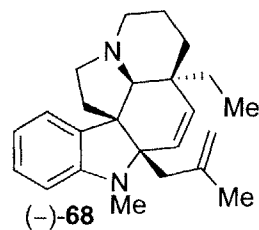
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

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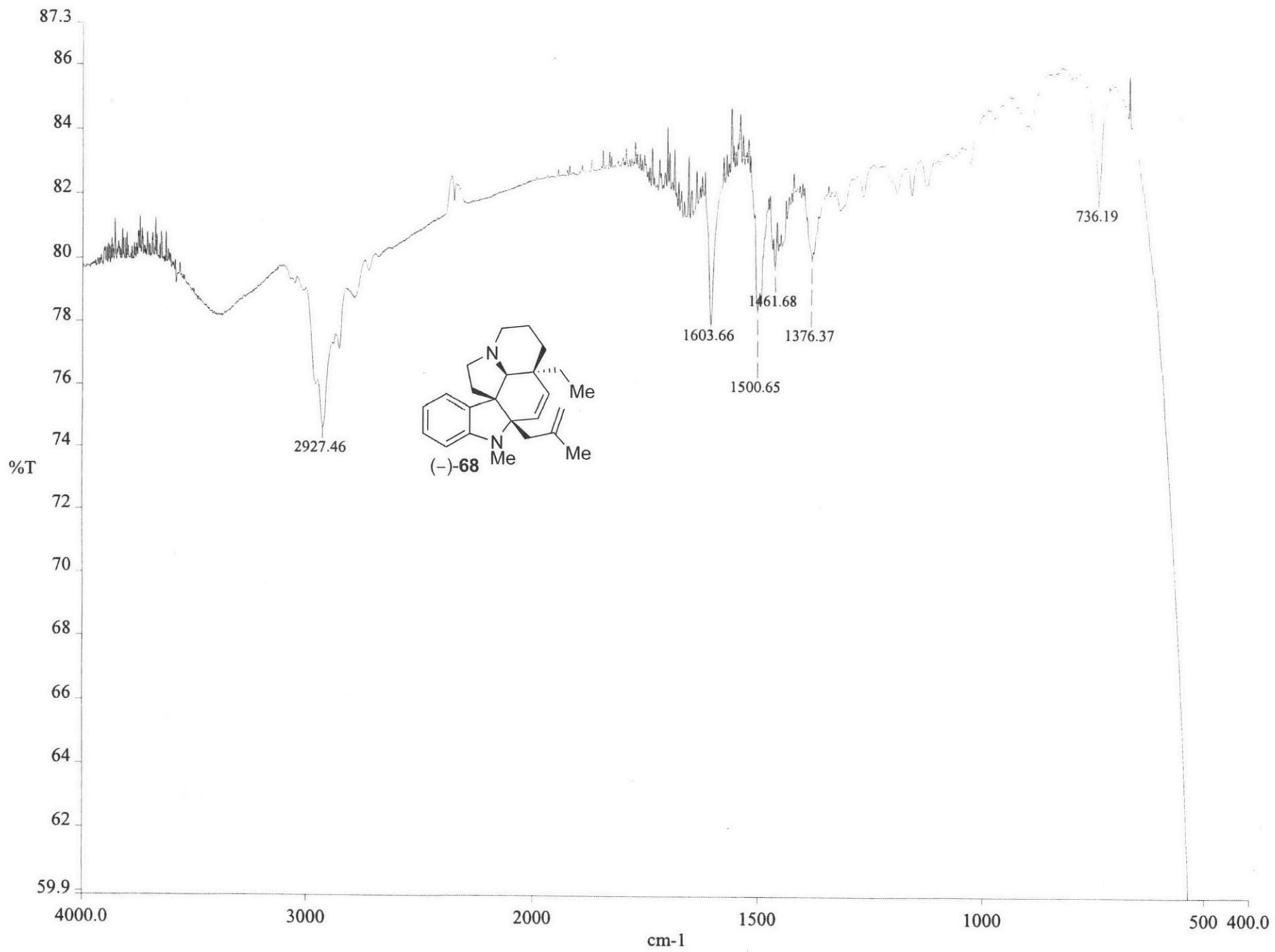
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Temp. 22.0 C / 295.1 K

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Pulse 35.0 degrees  
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Width 31397.2 Hz  
11977 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.6601290 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442194 MHz  
Power 34 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
FT size 131072



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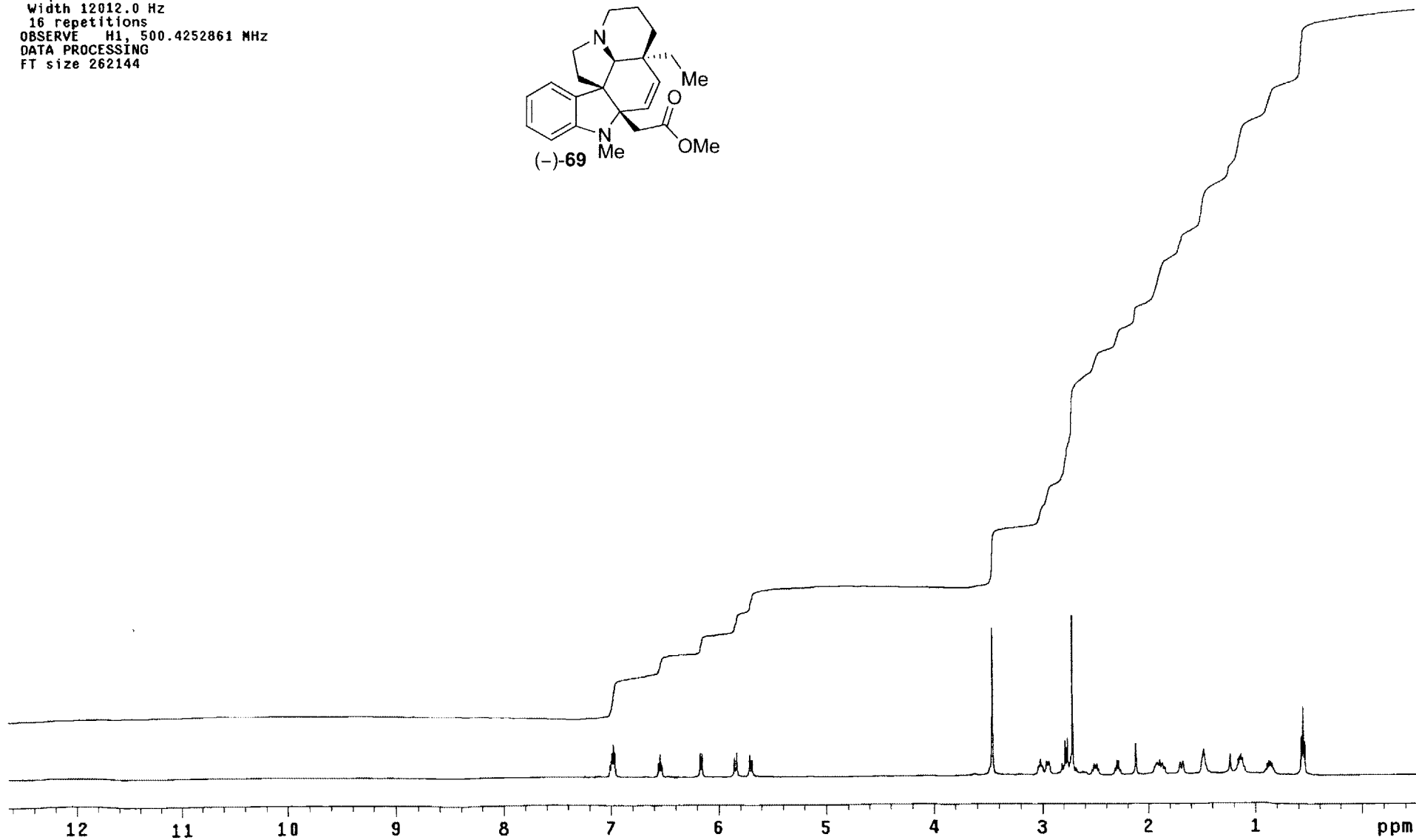
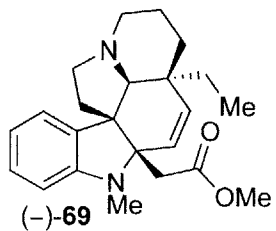
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Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
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DATA PROCESSING  
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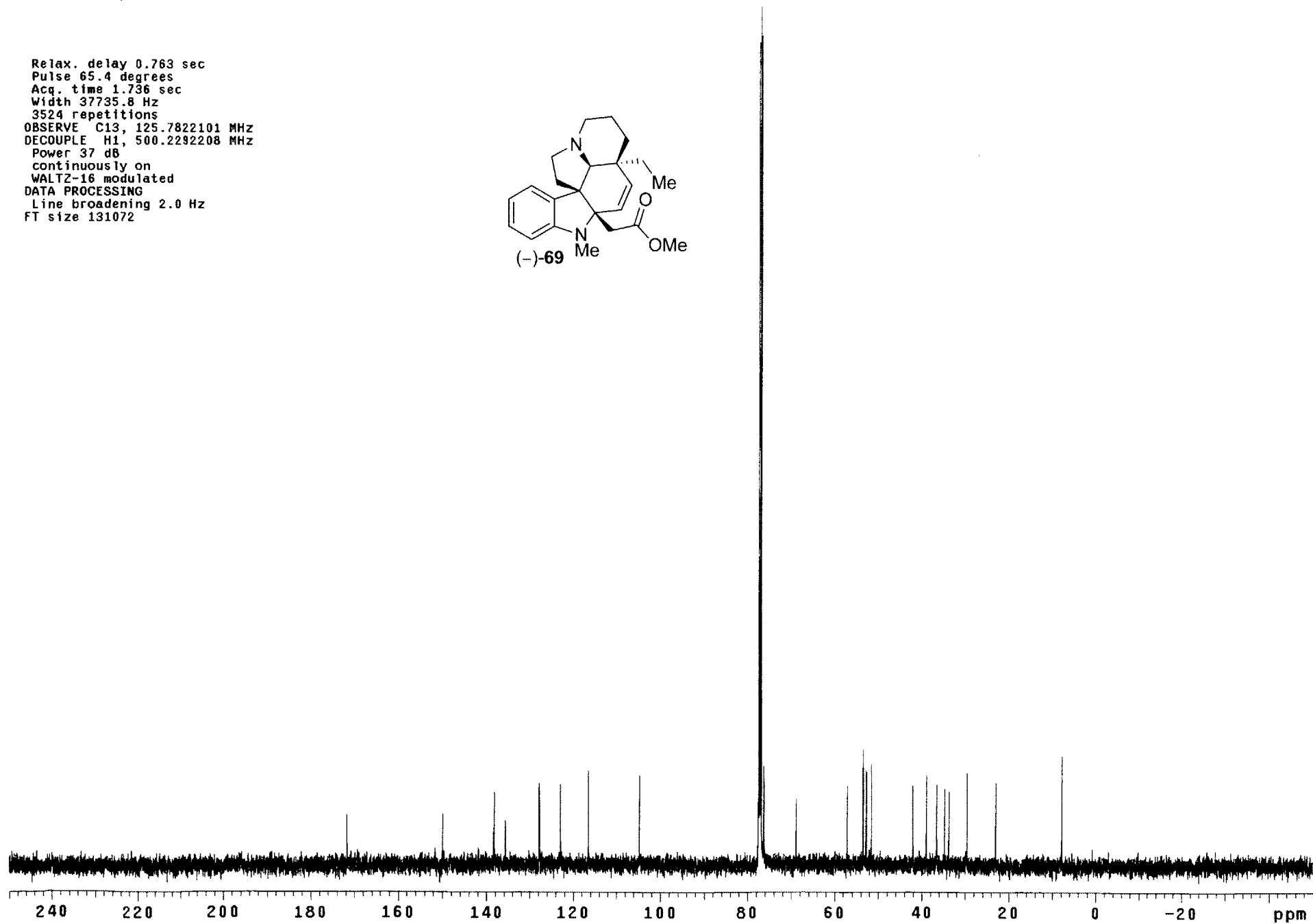
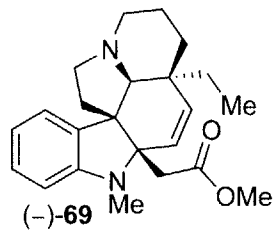
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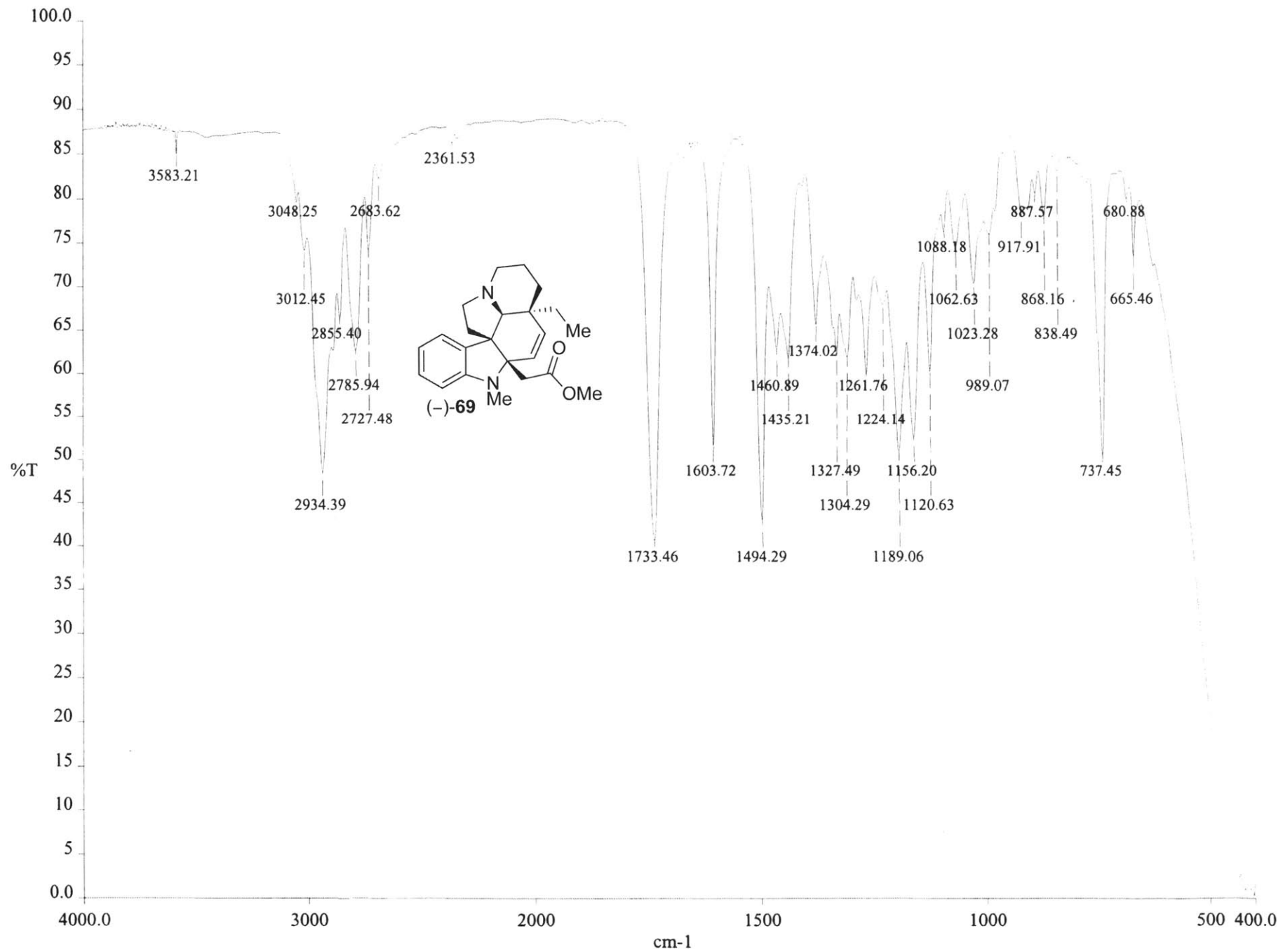
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Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

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3524 repetitions  
OBSERVE C13, 125.7822101 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 37 dB  
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DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 2.0 Hz  
FT size 131072





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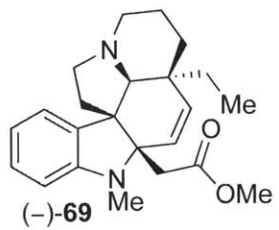
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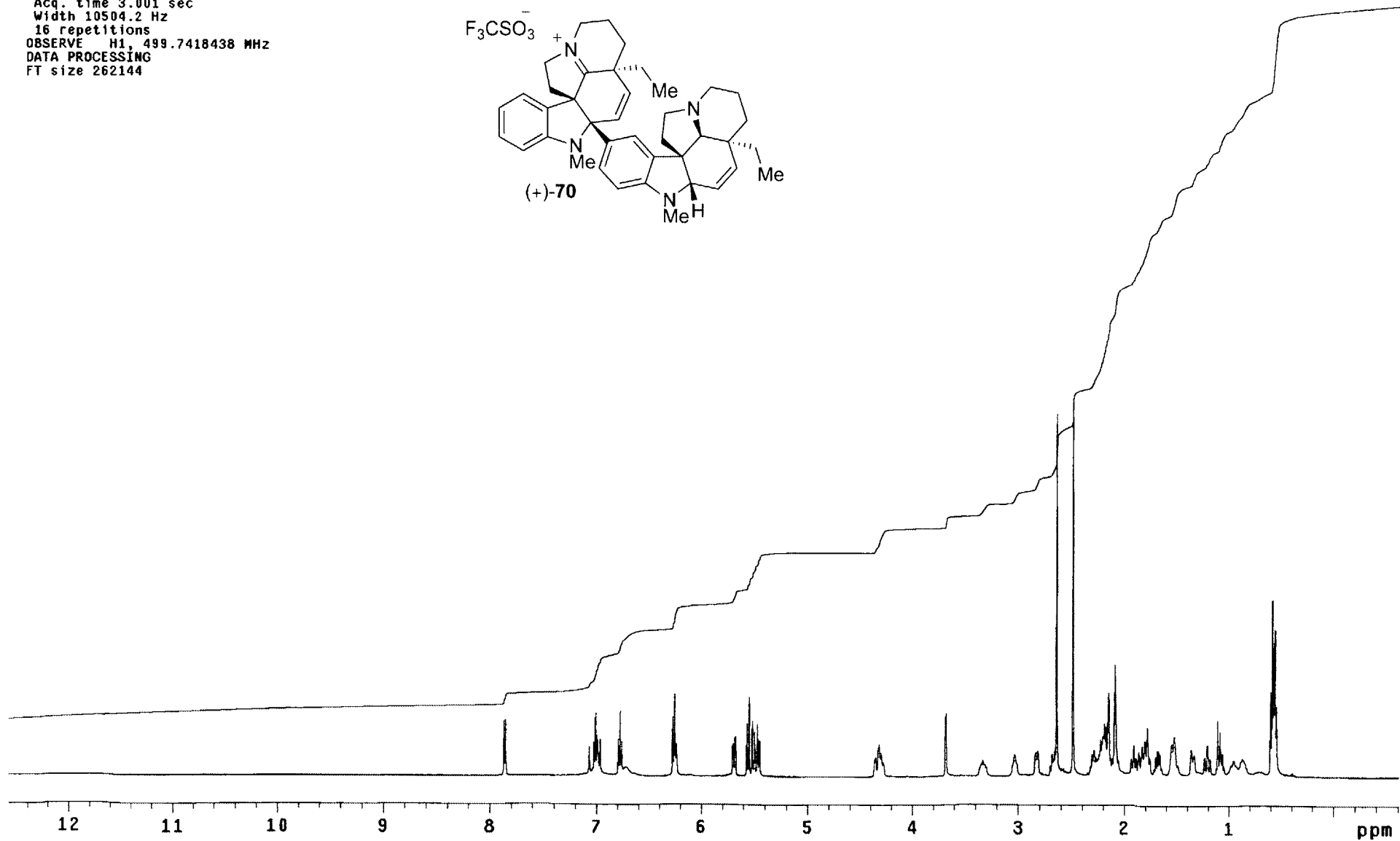
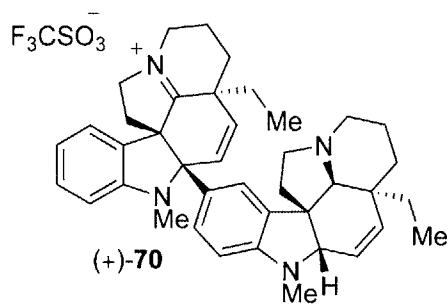
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STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1  
Solvent: toluene  
Temp. 80.0 C / 353.1 K

Relax. delay 2.000 sec  
Pulse 81.5 degrees  
Acq. time 3.001 sec  
Width 10504.2 Hz  
16 repetitions  
OBSERVE H1, 499.7418438 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: toluene

Temp. 80.0 C / 353.1 K

Relax. delay 3.000 sec

Pulse 35.0 degrees

Acq. time 2.000 sec

Width 31397.2 Hz

10625 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 125.6601082 MHz

DECOUPLE H1, 499.7442944 MHz

Power 34 dB

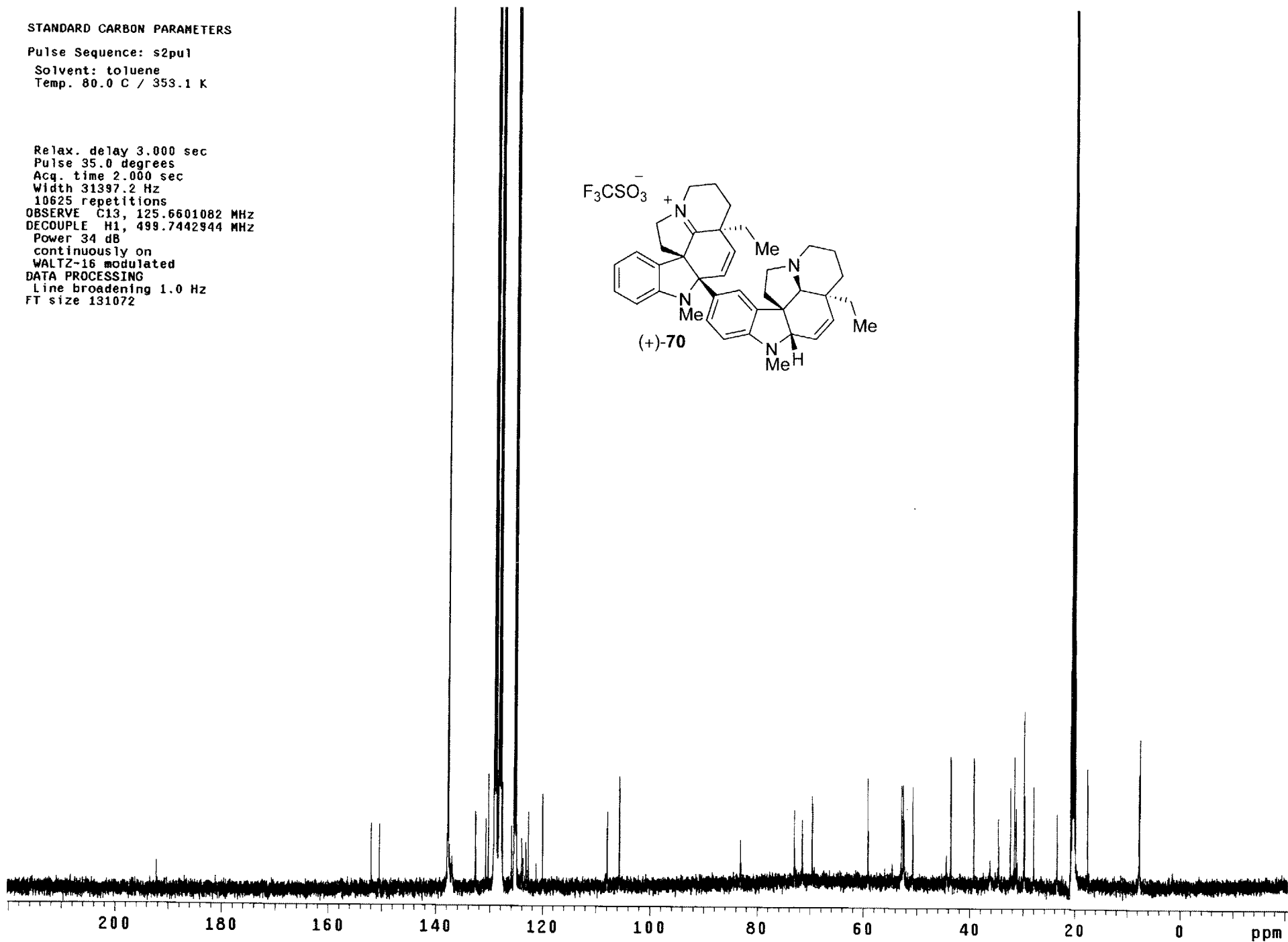
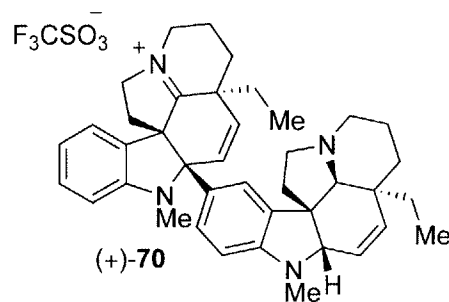
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WALTZ-16 modulated

DATA PROCESSING

Line broadening 1.0 Hz

FT size 131072



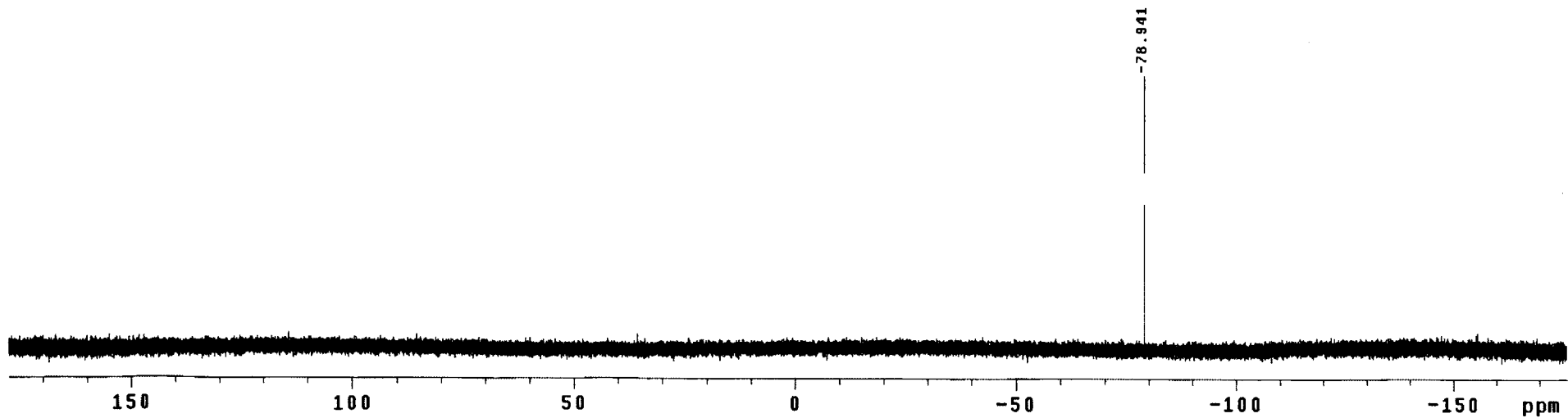
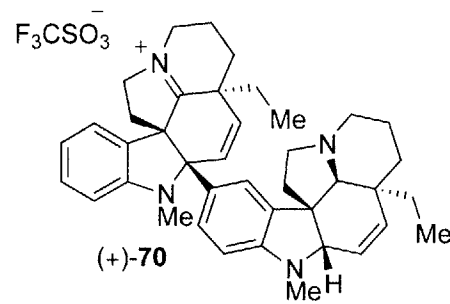
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STANDARD PARAMETERS

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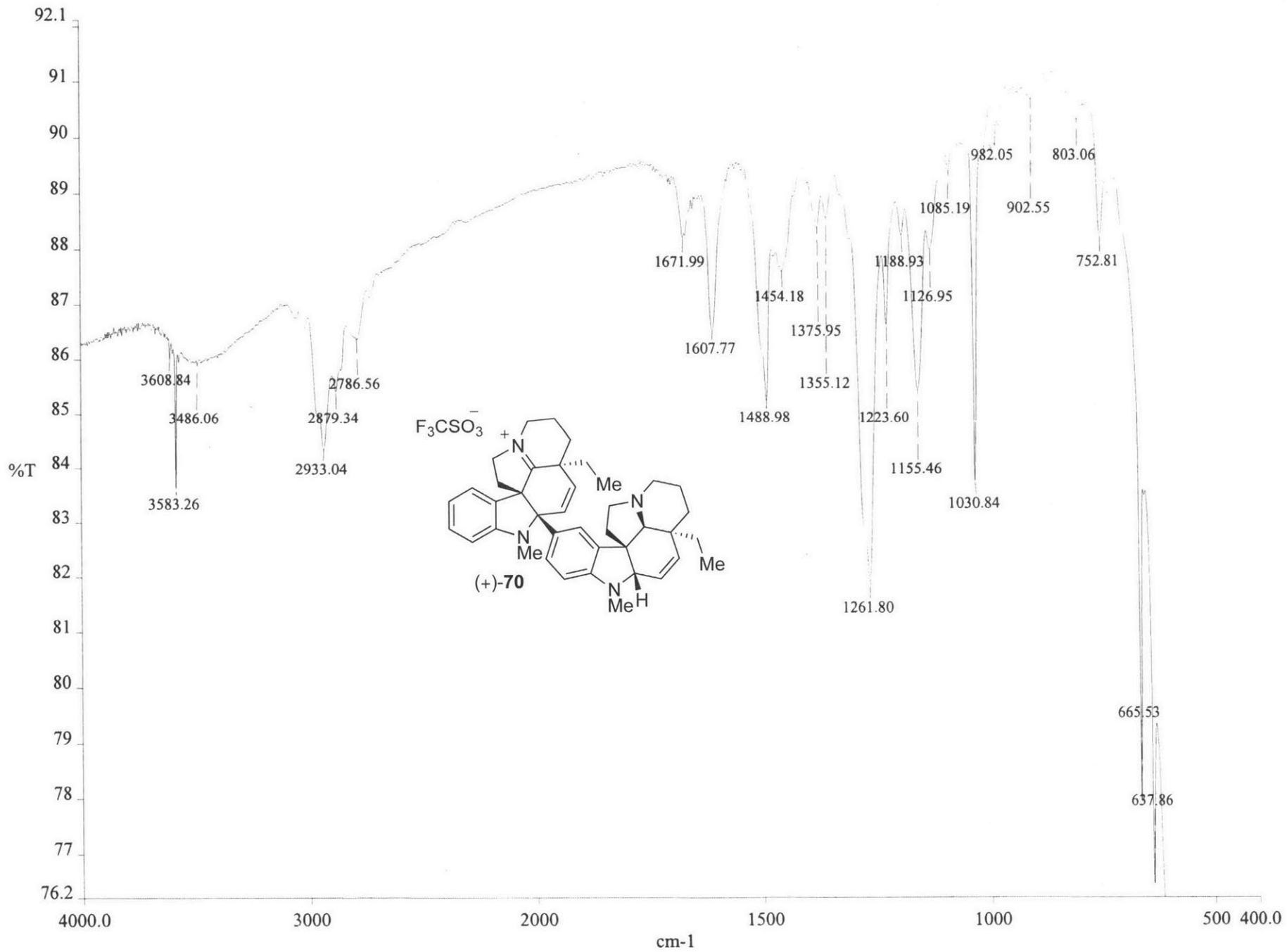
Solvent: CDCl3

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 4.000 sec  
Pulse 45.0 degrees  
Acq. time 0.300 sec  
Width 100.0 kHz  
8 repetitions  
OBSERVE F19, 282.3815086 MHz  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 0.3 Hz  
FT size 262144



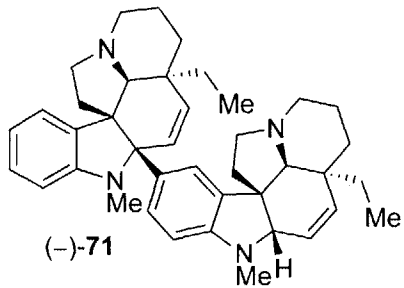
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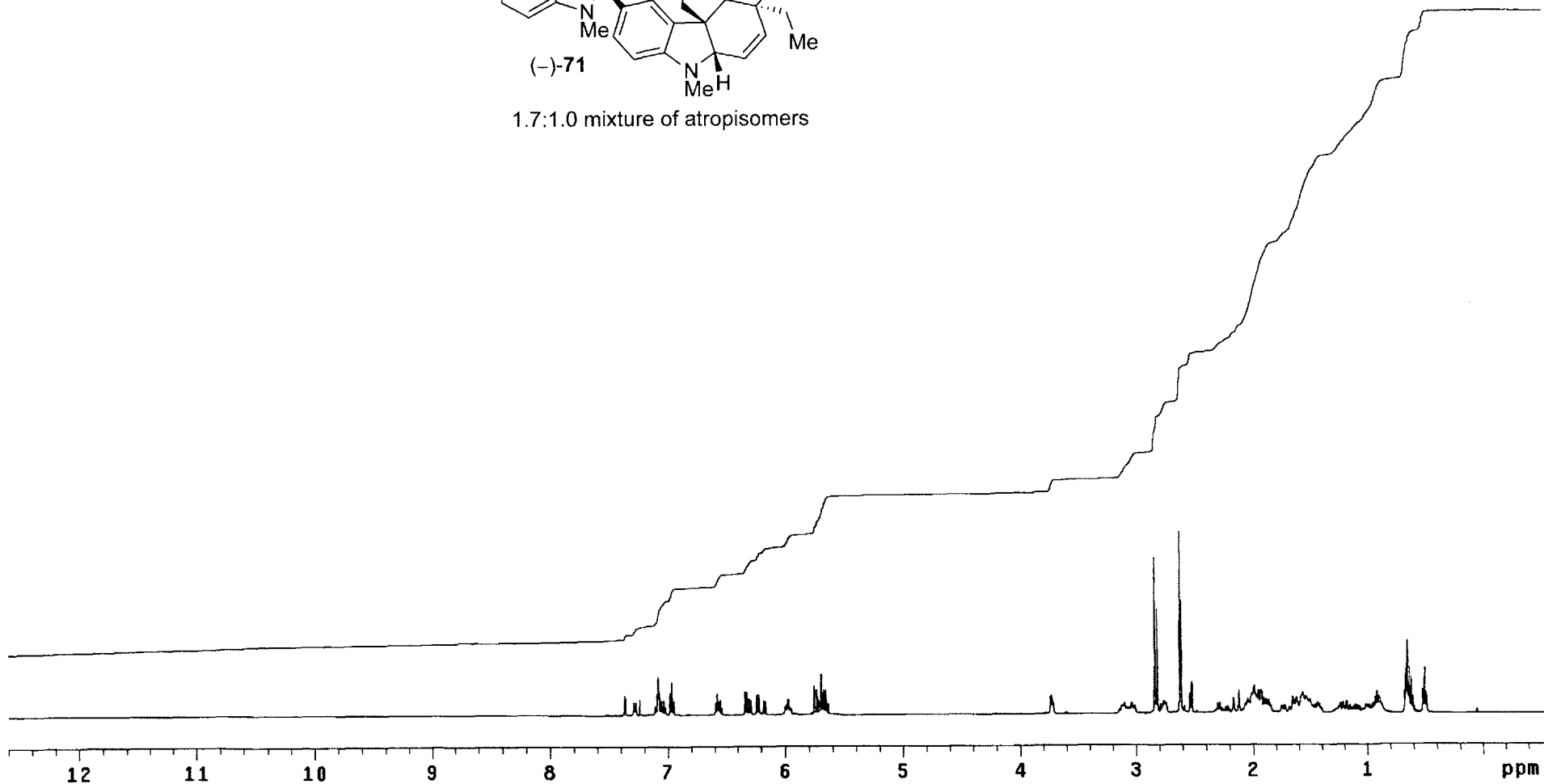
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1  
Solvent: CDC13  
Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.100 sec  
Pulse 60.3 degrees  
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Width 12012.0 Hz  
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DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



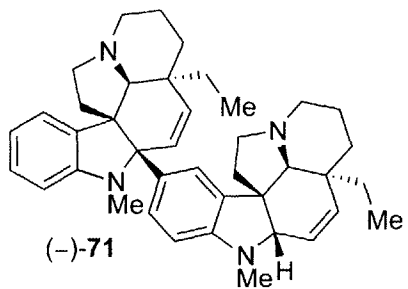
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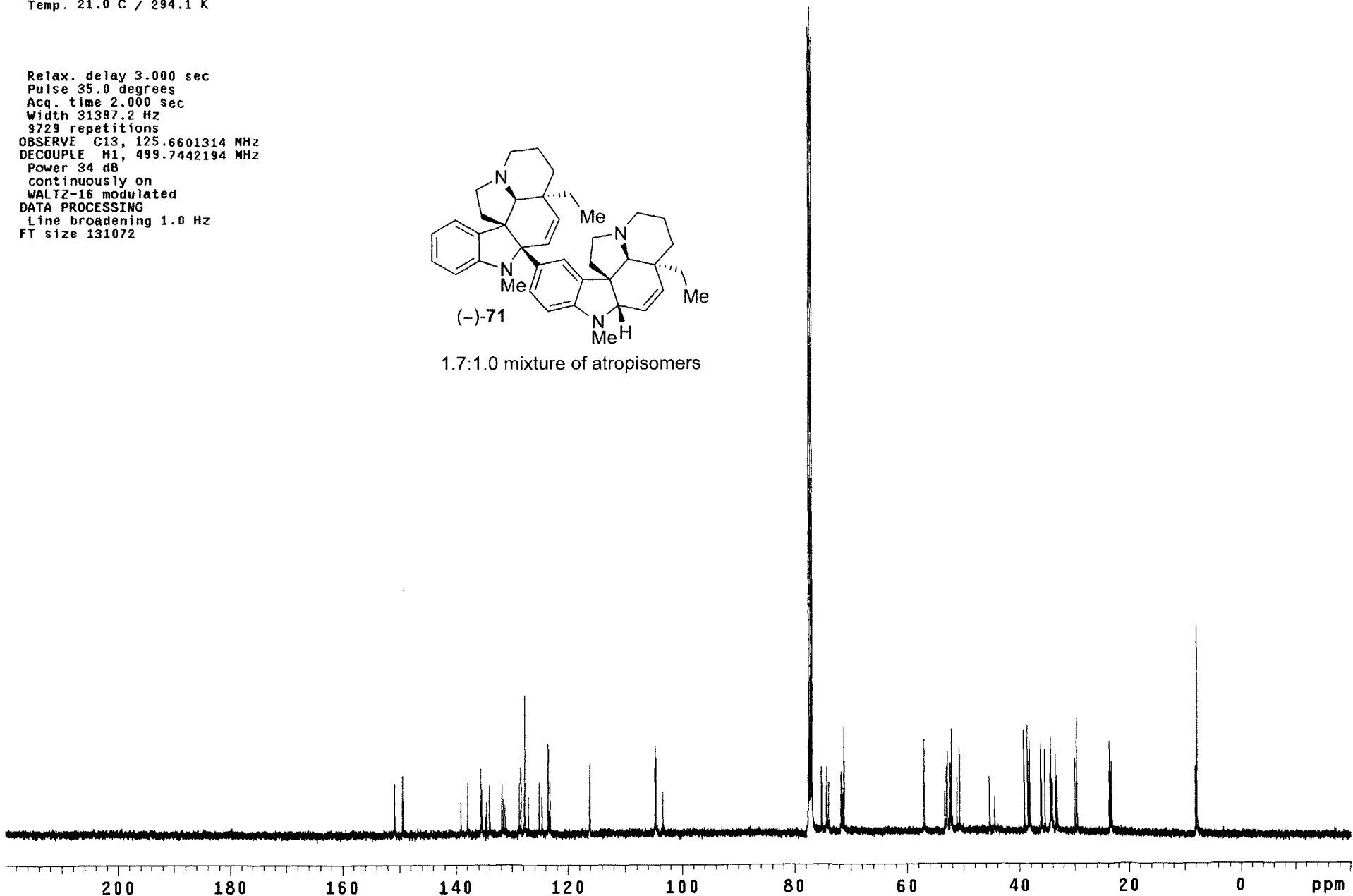
STANDARD CARBON PARAMETERS

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Solvent: CDC13  
Temp. 21.0 C / 294.1 K

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Pulse 35.0 degrees  
Acq. time 2.000 sec  
Width 31397.2 Hz  
9729 repetitions  
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Power 34 dB  
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WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 1.0 Hz  
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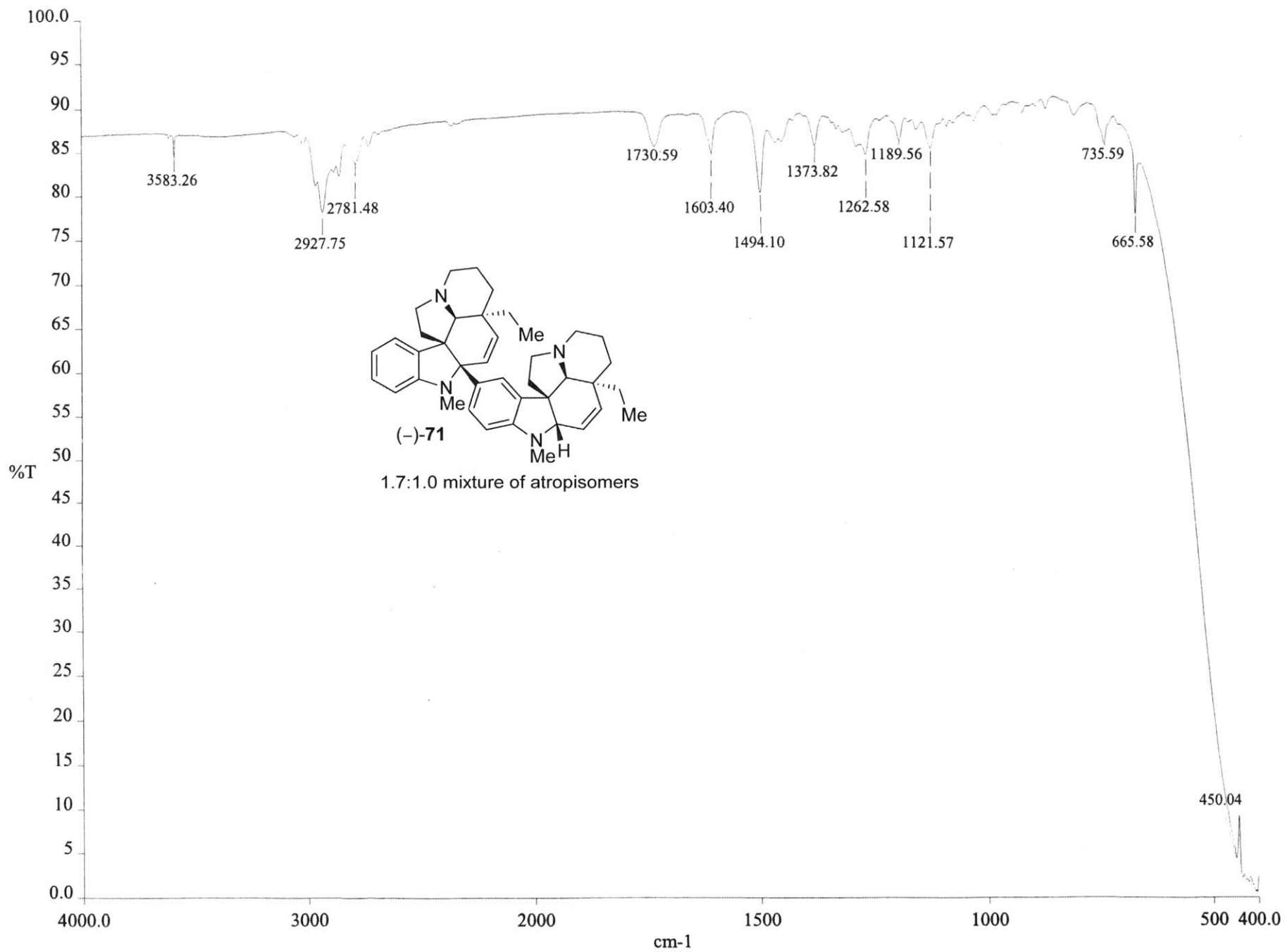


1.7:1.0 mixture of atropisomers





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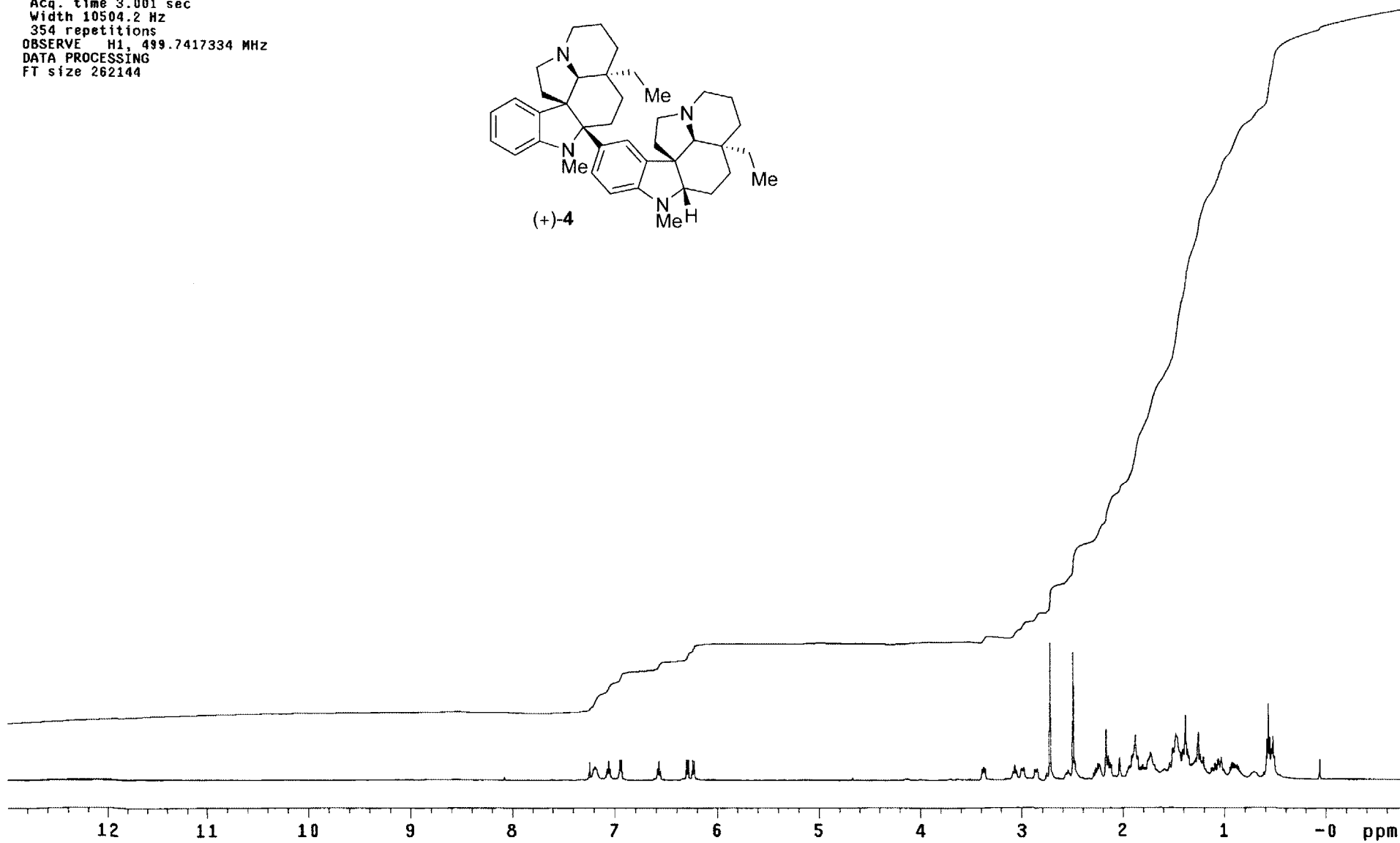
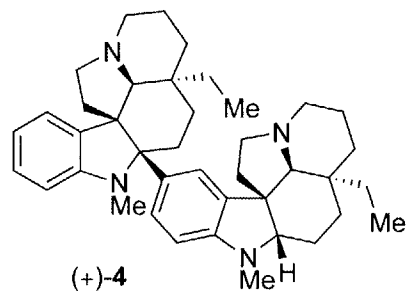
STANDARD PROTON PARAMETERS

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1

Solvent: CDC13

Temp. 54.0 C / 327.1 K

Relax. delay 2.000 sec  
Pulse 81.5 degrees  
Acq. time 3.001 sec  
Width 10504.2 Hz  
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DATA PROCESSING  
FT size 262144



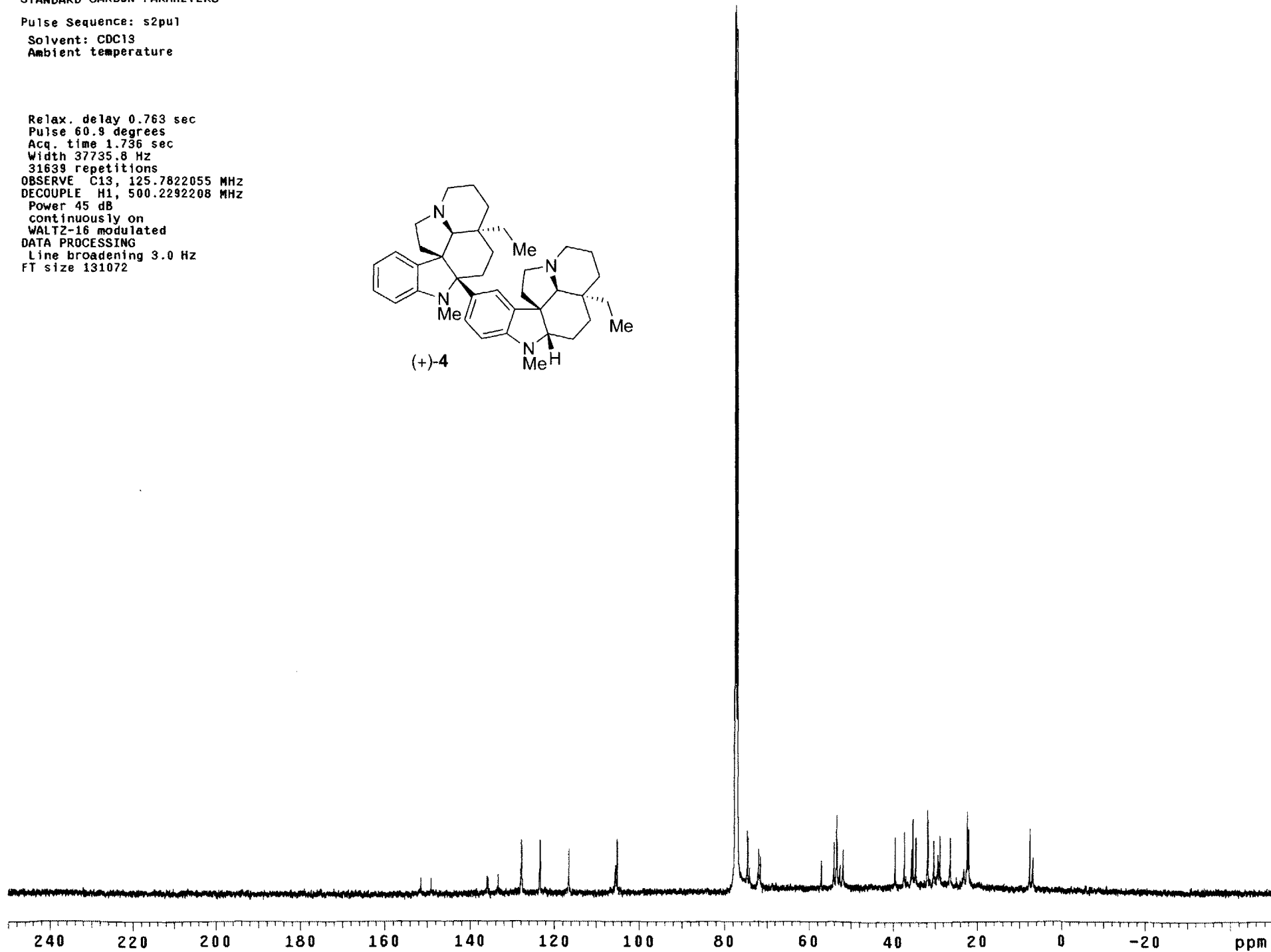
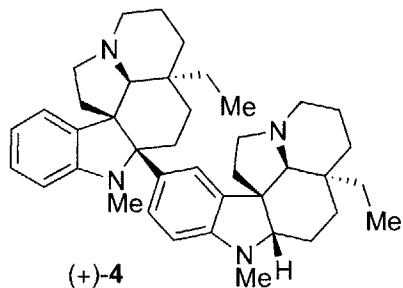
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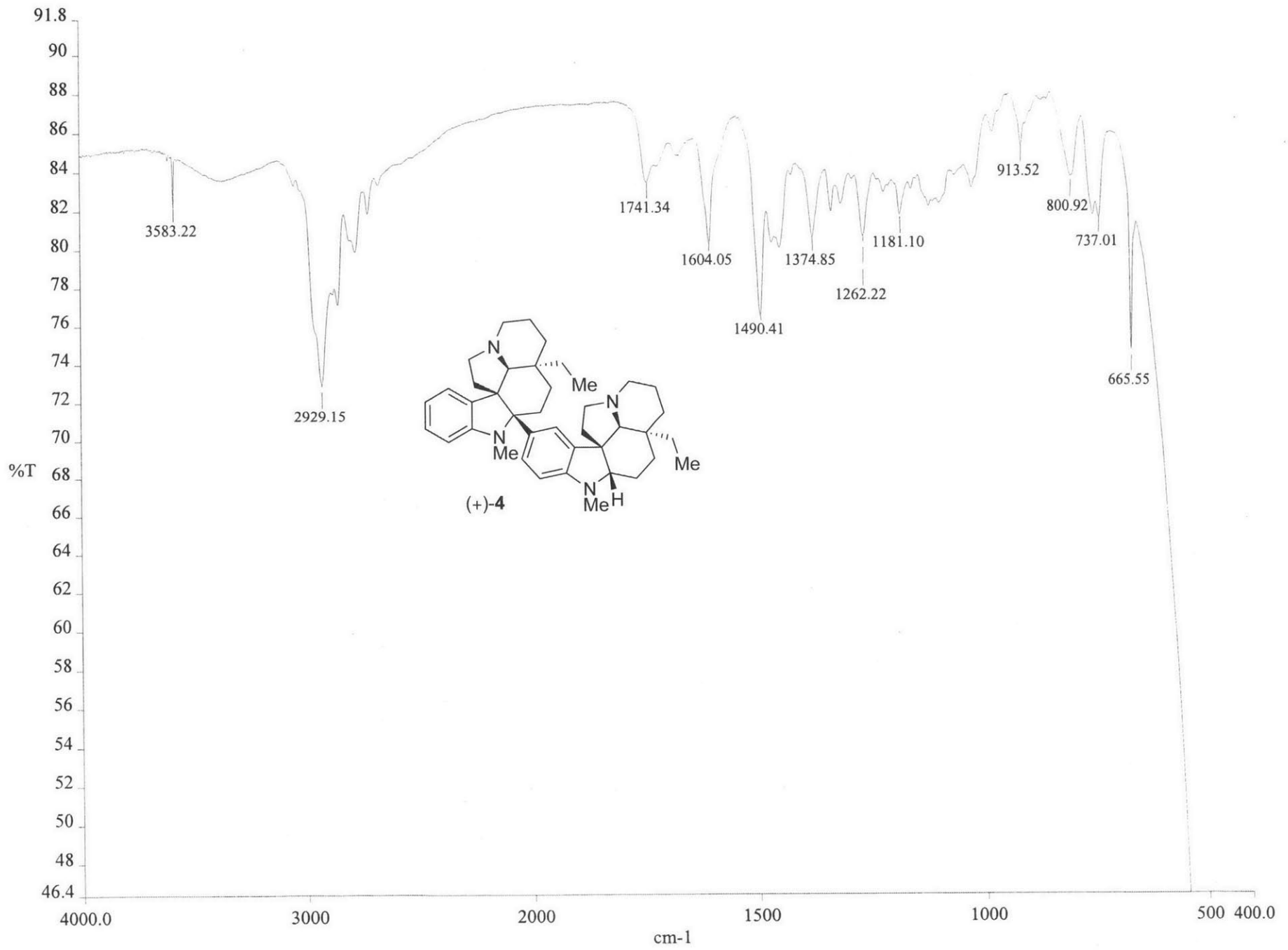
Solvent: CDC13

Ambient temperature

Relax. delay 0.763 sec  
Pulse 60.9 degrees  
Acq. time 1.736 sec  
Width 37735.8 Hz  
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OBSERVE C13, 125.7822055 MHz  
DECOUPLE H1, 500.2292208 MHz  
Power 45 dB  
continuously on  
WALTZ-16 modulated  
DATA PROCESSING  
Line broadening 3.0 Hz  
FT size 131072



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Thesis Title: "Direct Dehydrative *N*-Pyridinylation of Amides, the Interrupted Bischler–Napieralski Reaction, and the Enantioselective Total Synthesis and Arylative Dimerization of *Aspidosperma* Alkaloids."

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A.B. *Summa cum Laude* in Chemistry and Physics, minor in Mathematical Sciences (2007)

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Professor Mohammad Movassaghi, Advisor.

- Development of a method for the direct dehydrative *N*-pyridinylation of amides.
- Spectroscopic and mechanistic studies of the structure and reactivity of electrophilically activated amides.
- Development of a method for the synthesis of spiroindolines.
- Enantioselective total syntheses and novel arylative dimerization of *aspidosperma* alkaloids.

Undergraduate Researcher, Harvard University (2005–2007)

Professor David A. Evans, Advisor.

- Development of a method for  $\beta$ -alkylation of 2-acyl imidazole homoenolates.
- Development of catalytic asymmetric pyrrole cyclizations.
- Studies toward the enantioselective total synthesis of aflastatin A.

Medicinal Chemistry Research Intern, Amgen, Thousand Oaks, CA (2006)

Dr. Holger Monenschein, Advisor.

- Development of a methodology for synthesis of enantioenriched aminotetralins.

Research Intern, Seattle VA Hospital (2004)

Dr. Michael Orendurff, Advisor.

- Studies on foot pressure during gait of diabetic patients.
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Morse Travel Grant (2012)

NDSEG Fellow (2008–2011)

Hertz Fellowship Finalist (2008)

NSF Graduate Fellowship Honorable Mention (2008)  
SYNStar Award (2007)  
Harvard College Scholar-Athlete of the Year Award (2007)  
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Wayland Nolan Summer Fellowship for Chemistry Research (2005)  
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- Medley, J. W. "Optically Active Amino Tetralins and Chromans: A Novel Highly Diastereoselective Lewis Acid Induced Intramolecular Cyclization Reaction." Amgen Department of Medicinal Chemistry (Thousand Oaks, CA, August 2006).
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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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