Supporting Information

Silver-Catalyzed Aldehyde Olefination Using Siloxy Alkynes

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General. Ethyl acetate (ACS grade), hexanes (ACS grade) and diethyl ether (ACS grade) were purchased from Fisher Scientific and used without further purification. Anhydrous dichloromethane (HPLC grade) was purified by distillation over calcium hydride. Anhydrous tetrahydrofuran was freshly distilled from sodium-benzophenone. Triisopropylsilyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (TIPSOTf) was distilled under reduced pressure over calcium hydride. Commercially available reagents were used without further purification. Reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) using Whatman precoated silica gel plates. Flash column chromatography was performed over Silicycle silica gel (230-400 mesh). ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker DRX-400 or DMX-500 spectrometers using residual solvent peaks as an internal standard. Infrared spectra were recorded with a Nicolet FTIR spectrometer and are reported in reciprocal centimeter (cm⁻¹). Mass spectra were recorded with an Agilent 1100 LCMS using the following conditions unless otherwise noted; APCI, POS, SCAN, 70, with methanol or dichloromethane as the eluting solvent.

General Procedure A: Preparation of Siloxy Alkynes

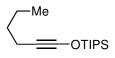
Anhydrous *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide (TBHP) was prepared following a detailed literature procedure.¹ CAUTION: SOLUTIONS OF OXIDANTS AND OXIDIZABLE SUBSTRATES ARE POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS AND POSSIBLY SUBJECT TO VIOLENT DECOMPOSITION BY ADVENTITIOUS CATALYSTS. Safety considerations related to handling solutions of TBHP have been previously discussed. See reference 1 and further references cited therein.

A solution of alkyne (2 mmol) in THF (10 mL) was treated at -78 °C with freshly prepared 1.0 M solution of LiHMDS in THF (2.4 mL). At the same time, a solution of lithium *t*-butyl peroxide was generated through treating a solution of anhydrous *t*-butyl hydrogen peroxide (3.7 M in toluene, 2.4 mmol, 0.65 mL) in THF (10 mL) with 1.0 M LiHMDS (2.6 mL) at -78 °C. Lithium *t*-butyl peroxide solution was

transferred to the alkynyllithium solution via cannula and the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to 0 $^{\circ}$ C over 0.5 h, stirred at the same temperature for 2 h and cooled to -78 $^{\circ}$ C before the drop-wise addition of triisopropylsilyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (2.6 mmol, 0.7 mL). The resulting reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to 0 $^{\circ}$ C, stirred for 0.5 h and diluted with hexanes (50 mL). The organic layer was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (40 mL), H₂O (40 mL), brine (30 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered and concentrated. The residue was subjected to purification via Kugelrohr distillation.

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The above siloxy alkyne was prepared in 80% yield according to the general procedure A except that the product was purified by silica gel column (pretreated with Et₃N) chromatography. ¹H NMR (500 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 1.66 (s, 3H), 1.27-1.20 (m, 3H), 1.10 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 85.4, 25.5, 17.3, 11.8, 1.51; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 2947, 2869, 2289, 1464; MS(APCI) Calculated for [C₁₂H₂₄OSi]⁺: 212.16; [M⁺ + MeOH + H]: 245.19; Found: 245.1.



The above siloxy alkyne was prepared in 95% yield according to the general procedure A. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.05 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.3 Hz), 1.41-1.35 (m, 4H), 1.27-1.20 (m, 3H), 1.11 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 0.87 (t, 3H, *J* = 6.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 86.7, 32.1, 30.4, 21.9, 17.3, 16.9, 13.6, 11.8; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 2946, 2868, 2278; MS (APCI) Calculated for [C₁₅H₃₁OSi]⁺: 255.48; Found: 255.0.



The above siloxy alkyne was prepared in 85% yield according to the general procedure A. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32-7.30 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.19-7.15 (m, 1H), 1.38-1.32 (m, 3H), 1.18 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 131.4, 128.1, 125.9, 125.2, 96.8, 33.5, 17.3, 11.9; IR (neat, cm⁻¹)

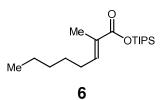
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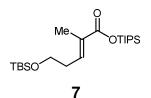
The above siloxy alkyne was prepared in 91% yield according to the general procedure A. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.28-2.24 (m, 1H), 1.74-1.67 (m, 2H), 1.67-1.64 (m, 2H), 1.47 (m, 1H), 1.34-1.21 (m, 8H), 1.12 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 87.2, 35.1, 34.0, 28.0, 26.1, 25.1, 17.4, 11.8; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 2293, 2868, 2274, 2076, 1464; MS (APCI) Calculated for [C₁₇H₃₃OSi]⁺: 281.23; Found: 281.1.

General Procedure B: AgNTf₂-Catalyzed Aldehyde Olefination

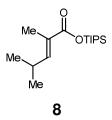
A solution of siloxy alkyne (0.20 mmol) and aldehyde (0.22 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (4 mL) was cooled to -78 °C under inert nitrogen atmosphere and treated with AgNTf₂ (3.9 mg, 0.01 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 30 min. The reaction was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for another 30 min. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Crude product was purified directly by silica gel column chromatography to afford the requisite olefination product.



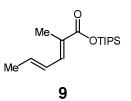
Ester 6 was prepared in 87% yield according to the general procedure B. ¹H NMR (500 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 6.81 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 2.17 (m, 2H), 1.82 (s, 3H), 1.45-1.25 (m, 9H), 1.08 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 0.89 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 168.1, 143.4, 128.6, 31.5, 28.8, 28.3, 22.5, 17.8, 14.0, 12.6, 12.0; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 2945, 2868, 1691, 1646, 1465; MS (EI) Found: 313.2.



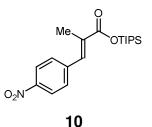
Ester 7 was prepared in 75% yield according to the general procedure B. ¹H NMR (500 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 6.84 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 3.71 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.3 Hz), 2.40 (m, 2H), 1.84 (s, 3H), 1.32 (m, 3H), 1.09 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 0.88 (s, 9H), 0.04 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 167.9, 139.6, 130.3, 61.7, 32.5, 25.9, 18.3, 17.9, 12.8, 12.0, -5.4; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 2948, 1692, 1650, 1464; MS (EI) Found: 401.2.



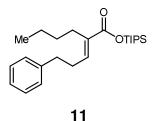
Ester 8 was prepared in 87% yield according to the general procedure B.¹H NMR (500 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 6.61 (d, 1H, *J* = 9.5 Hz), 2.62 (m, 1H), 1.84 (d, 3H, *J* = 4.5 Hz), 1.30 (m, 3H), 1.09 (d, 3H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 1.02 (d, 6H, *J* = 6.5 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 168.4, 149.7, 126.6, 28.0, 22.0, 17.8, 12.5, 12.0; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 2961, 2869, 1693, 1646, 1465; MS (EI) Found: 285.1.



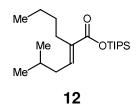
Ester 9 was prepared in 75% yield according to the general procedure B. ¹H NMR (500 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 7.19 (d, 1H, *J* = 11.5 Hz), 6.37 (m, 1H), 6.08 (m, 1H), 1.92 (s, 3H), 1.87 (d, 3H, *J* = 6.5 Hz), 1.35 (m, 3H), 1.09 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 168.5, 139.2, 137.7, 127.6, 126.0, 18.9, 17.8, 12.8, 12.0; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3033, 2945, 2868, 1685, 1644, 1610; MS (EI) Found: 283.1.



Ester 10 was prepared in 84% yield according to the general procedure B. ¹H NMR (500 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 8.25 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 7.72 (s, 1H), 7.54 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 2.13 (d, 3H, *J* = 1.5 Hz), 1.39 (m, 3H), 1.13 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 167.5, 147.1, 142.6, 136.5, 133.4, 130.2, 123.6, 17.8, 14.5, 12.0; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3080, 2946, 2868, 1692, 1597; MS (EI) Found: 364.1.

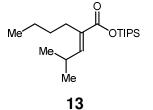


Ester 11 was prepared in 85% yield according to the general procedure B. ¹H NMR (500 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.18 (m, 3H), 6.82 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 2.76 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 2.53-2.48 (m, 2H), 2.24 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 1.36-1.26 (m, 7H), 1.09 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 0.88 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 167.7, 141.8, 141.2, 134.2, 128.4, 126.1, 35.1, 31.5, 30.7, 26.8, 22.7, 17.8, 14.0, 12.0; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3064, 2956, 1693, 1642, 1604, 1496; MS (EI) Found: 389.2.

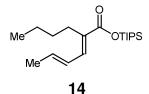


Ester 12 was prepared in 93% yield according to the general procedure B. ¹H NMR (500 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 6.82 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 2.28 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 2.07 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 1.77-1.71 (m, 1H), 1.38-1.30 (m, 7H), 1.09 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 0.94 (d, 6H, *J* = 7.0 Hz), 0.90 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 Hz, CDCl₃) δ

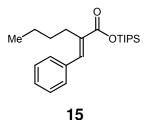
168.9, 142.2, 134.1, 37.6, 31.6, 28.4, 26.9, 22.8, 22.5, 17.9, 14.0, 12.0; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 2956, 2869, 1692, 1641, 1465; MS (EI) Found: 341.3.



Ester 13 was prepared in 94% yield according to the general procedure B. ¹H NMR (500 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 6.58 (d, 1H, *J* = 10 Hz), 2.65-2.61 (m, 1H), 2.28 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 1.40-1.29 (m, 7H), 1.09 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 1.02 (d, 6H, J = 6.5 Hz), 0.90 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.3 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 168.2, 149.7, 131.3, 32.1, 27.9, 27.0, 22.8, 22.4, 17.9, 13.4, 12.0; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 2959, 2869, 1692, 1642, 1465; MS (EI) Found: 327.2.

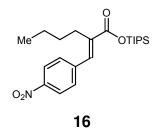


Ester 14 was prepared in 66% yield according to the general procedure B. ¹H NMR (500 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 7.18 (d, 1H, J = 11.5 Hz), 6.39-6.33 (m, 1H), 6.12-6.05 (m, 1H), 2.38 (t, 2H, J = 7.5 Hz), 1.87 (dd, 3H, $J_1 = 7.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 1.5$ Hz), 1.44-1.25 (m, 7H), 1.09 (d, 18H, J = 7.5 Hz), 0.91 (t, 3H, J = 7.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 168.3, 139.3, 137.8, 131.1, 127.5, 32.0, 27.0, 22.7, 18.9, 17.9, 14.0, 12.0; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3032, 2946, 2868, 1685, 1642, 1605, 1465; MS (EI) Found: 325.2.

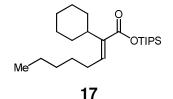


Ester 15 was prepared in 73% yield according to the general procedure B. ¹H NMR (500 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 (s, 1H), 7.41-7.37 (m, 4H), 7.34-7.31 (m, 1H), 2.55-2.51 (m, 2H), 1.59-1.53 (m, 2H), 1.43-1.35 (m, 5H), 1.44 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz),

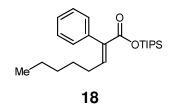
0.92 (t, 3H, J = 7.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 168.3, 139.2, 136.0, 134.9, 129.3, 128.4, 128.2, 31.5, 27.6, 22.9, 17.9, 13.9, 12.0; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 2946, 2868, 1690, 1627, 1465; MS (EI) Found: 361.1.



Ester 16 was prepared in 84% yield according to the general procedure B. ¹H NMR (500 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 8.24 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.49 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 2.49 (t, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 1.55-1.51 (m, 2H), 1.42-1.34 (m, 5H), 1.12 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 0.88 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.3 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 167.4, 147.1, 142.7, 138.4, 136.3, 129.8, 123.7, 31.4, 27.7, 22.8, 17.8, 13.8, 12.0; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3079, 2947, 2868, 1694, 1597, 1522; MS (EI) Found: 406.1.

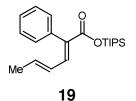


Ester 17 was prepared in 72% yield according to the general procedure B. ¹H NMR (400 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 6.69 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 2.40-2.19 (m, 2H), 2.20 (m, 1H), 2.19 (m, 5H), 1.50-1.21 (m, 13H), 1.09 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 0.88 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 168.7, 167.9, 142.7, 138.9, 138.0, 137.8, 41.3, 38.5, 32.8, 31.5, 30.5, 29.6, 29.5, 28.8, 28.2, 27.0, 26.8 26.2, 25.9, 22.6, 22.5, 17.9, 14.0, 12.1; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 2927, 2867, 1691, 1465; MS (EI) Found: 381.2.

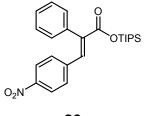


Ester 18 was prepared in 76% yield according to the general procedure B. ¹H NMR (500 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 7.35-7.32 (m, 2H), 7.28-7.25 (m, 1H), 7.15-7.13 (m, 2H), 7.09 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 2.07 (m, 2H), 1.42-1.21 (m, 9H), 1.02 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz)

Hz), 0.84 (t, 3H, J = 7.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 166.8, 145.8, 136.1, 135.0, 129.6, 127.8, 127.1, 31.4, 29.6, 28.5, 22.4, 17.7, 13.9, 11.9; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 2945, 2868, 1697, 1637, 1465; MS (EI) Found: 375.2.

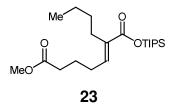


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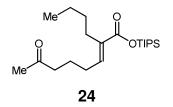
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Ester 20 was prepared in 69% yield according to the general procedure B. ¹H NMR (500 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 8.01 (d, 2H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 7.87 (s, 1H), 7.37-7.35 (m, 3H), 7.21-7.17 (m, 4H), 1.35-1.29 (m, 3H), 1.04 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 166.6, 147.3, 141.3, 137.5, 135.4, 131.0, 129.3, 128.8, 128.2, 123.3, 17.7, 11.8; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3060, 2945, 2867, 1695, 1595, 1522; MS (EI) Found: 426.1.

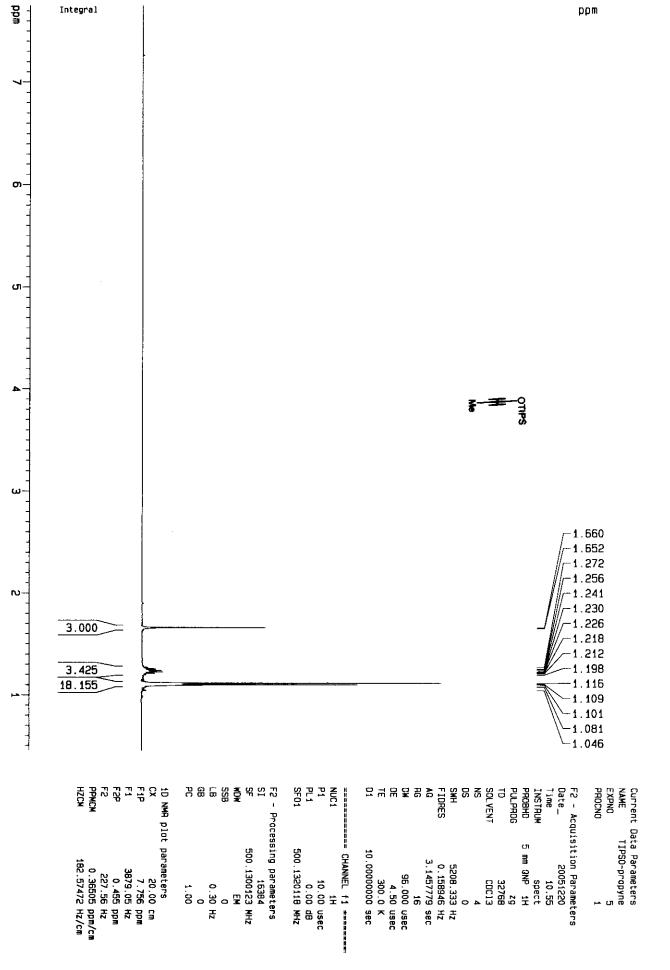


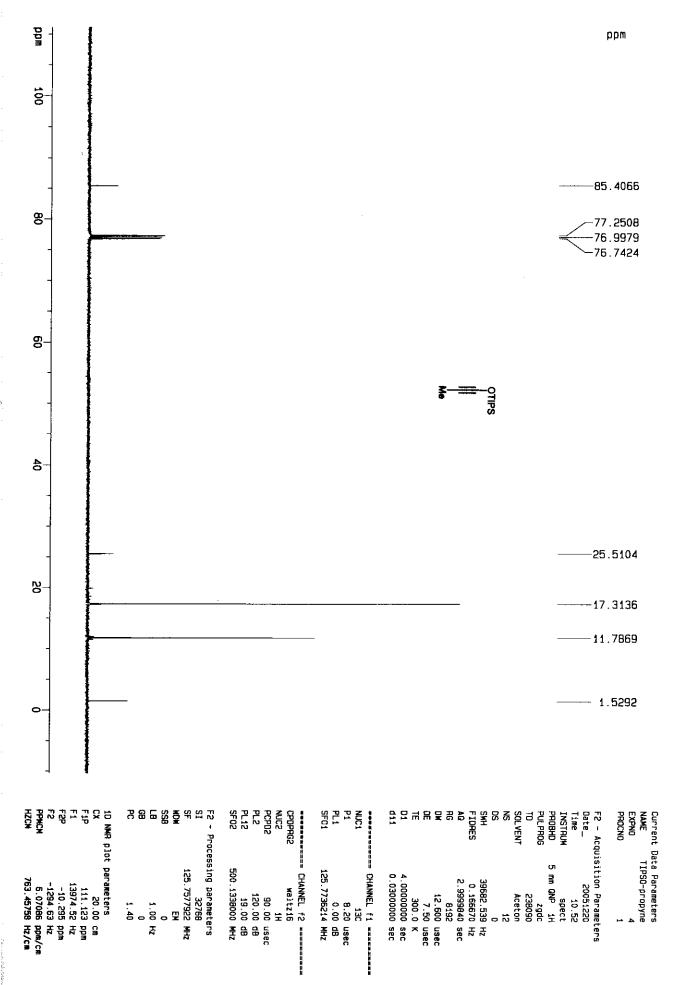
Diester 23 was prepared in 80% yield according to the general procedure B. ¹H NMR (500 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 6.73 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 3.67 (s, 3H), 2.34 (t, 2H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 2.28-2.20 (m, 4H), 1.79-1.76 (m, 2H), 1.36-1.29 (m, 7H), 1.07 (d, 18H, *J* =

7.5 Hz), 0.88 (t, 3H, J = 7.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 173.6, 167.7, 141.5, 134.6, 51.5, 33.5, 31.6, 27.9, 26.9, 24.1, 22.8, 17.9, 14.0, 12.0; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 2956, 2868, 1743, 1693, 1642; MS (EI) Found: 385.6.

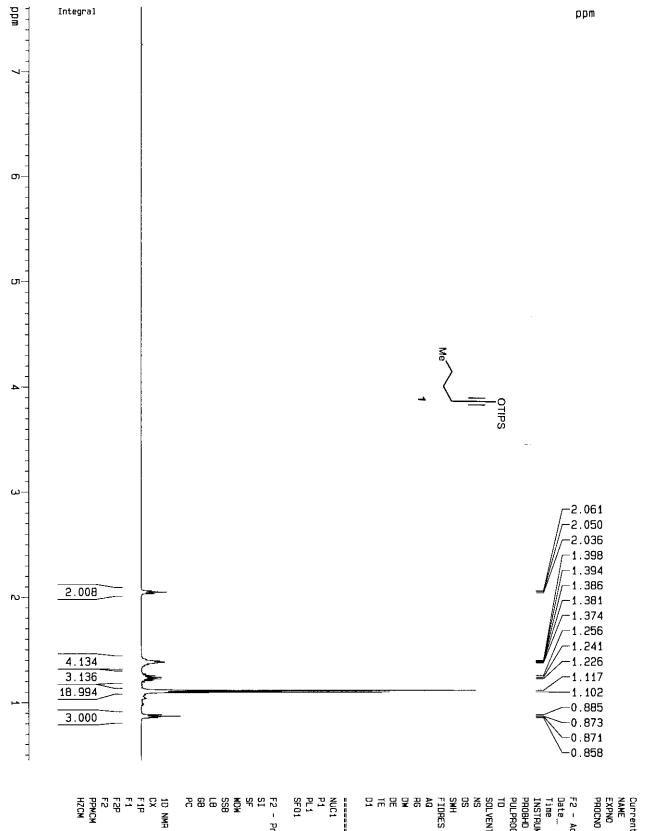


Ester 24 was prepared in 76% yield according to the general procedure B. ¹H NMR (400 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 6.75 (t, 1H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 2.44 (t, 2H, *J* = 9.2 Hz), 2.27 (t, 2H, *J* = 9.2 Hz), 2.21-2.15 (m, 2H), 2.13 (s, 3H), 1.63-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.47-1.28 (m, 9H), 1.07 (d, 18H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 0.89 (t, 3H, *J* = 8.7 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 Hz, CDCl₃) δ 208.8, 167.8, 142.5, 133.9, 43.5, 31.6, 28.5, 28.4, 26.9, 23.5, 22.8, 17.8, 17.7, 14.0, 12.0; IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 2945, 2867, 1719, 1690, 1641, 1465; MS (EI) Found: 383.3.

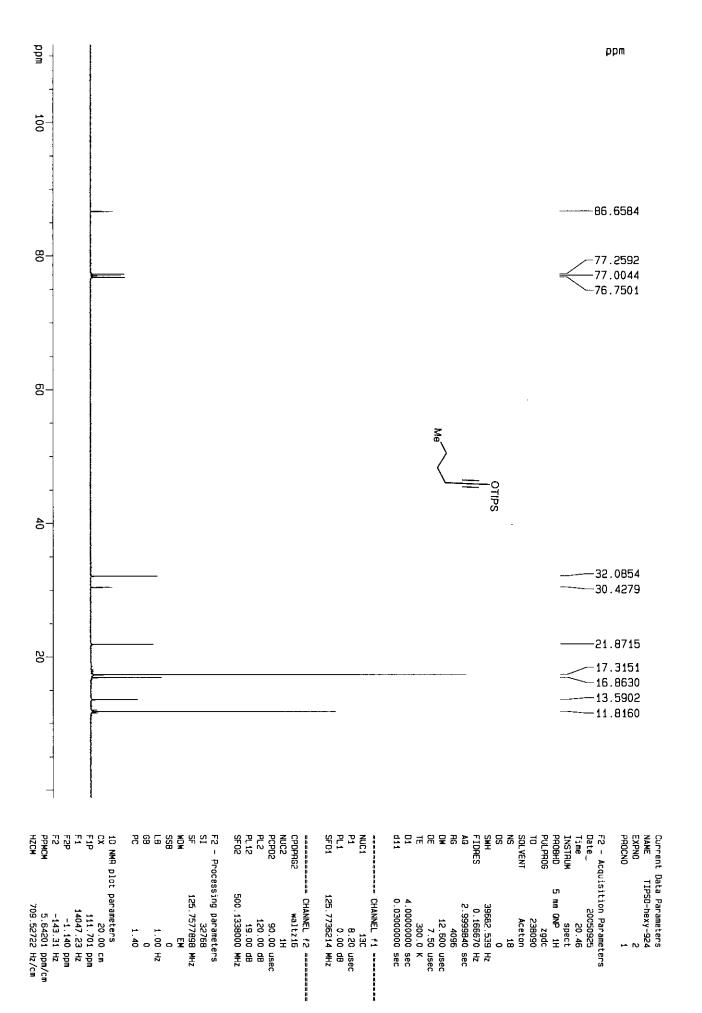


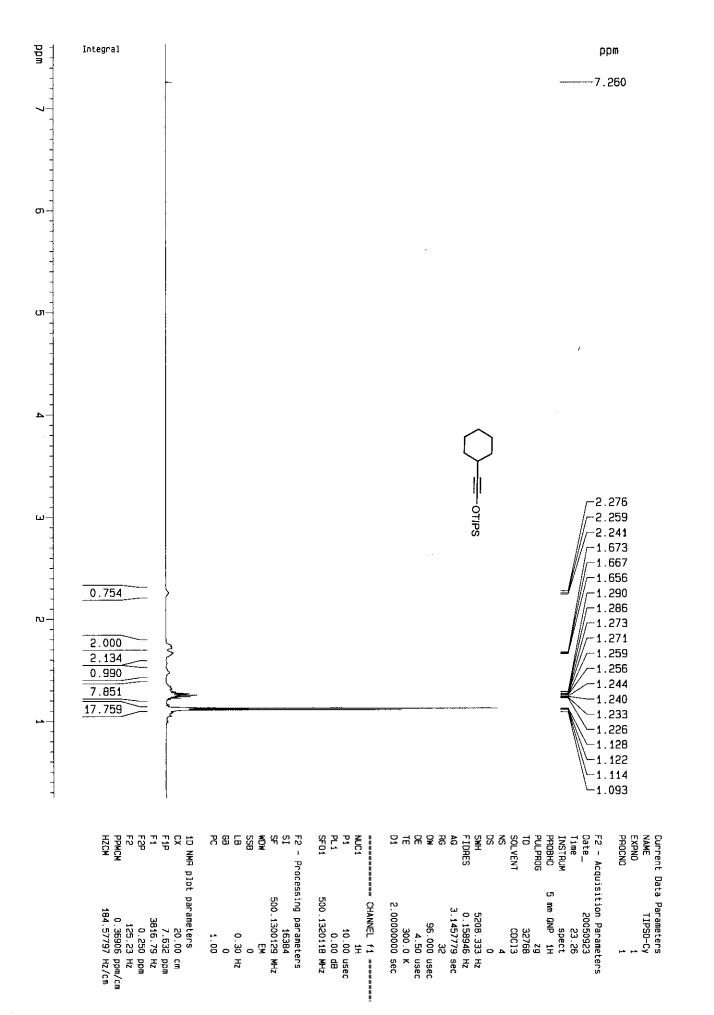


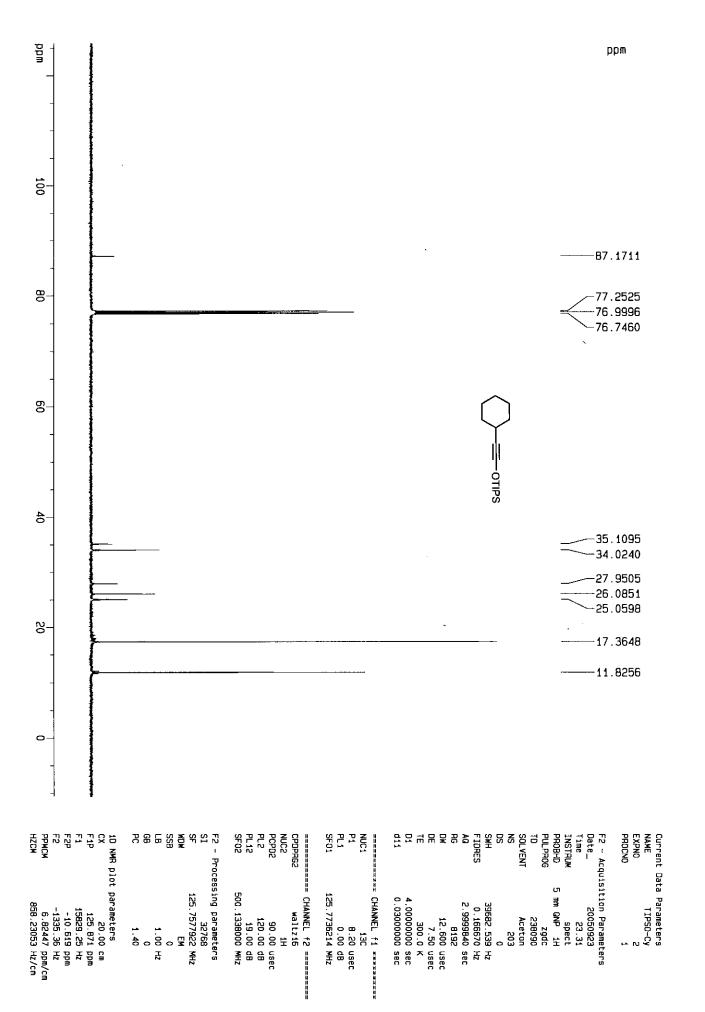
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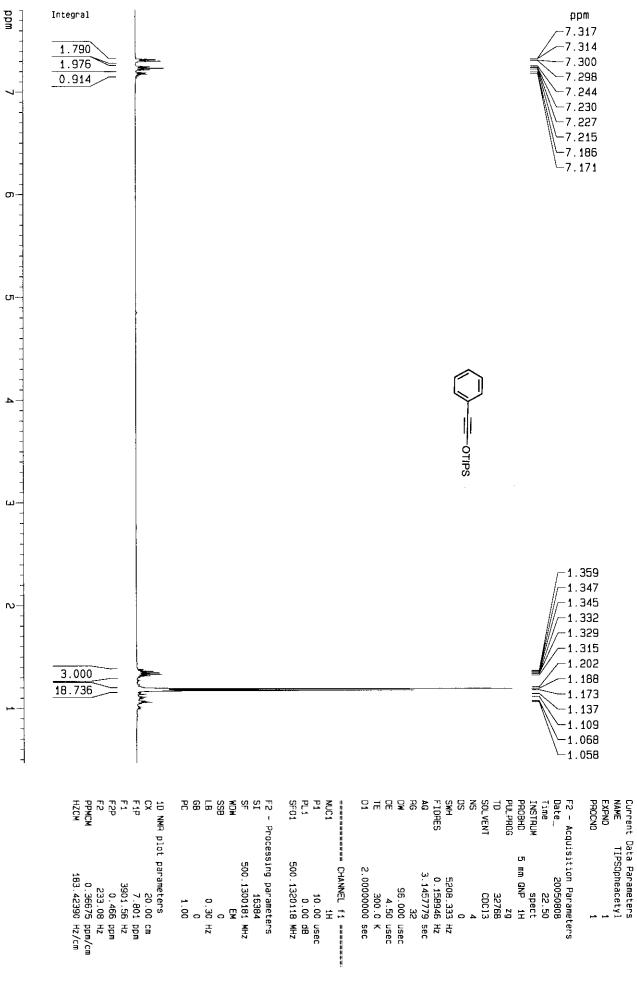


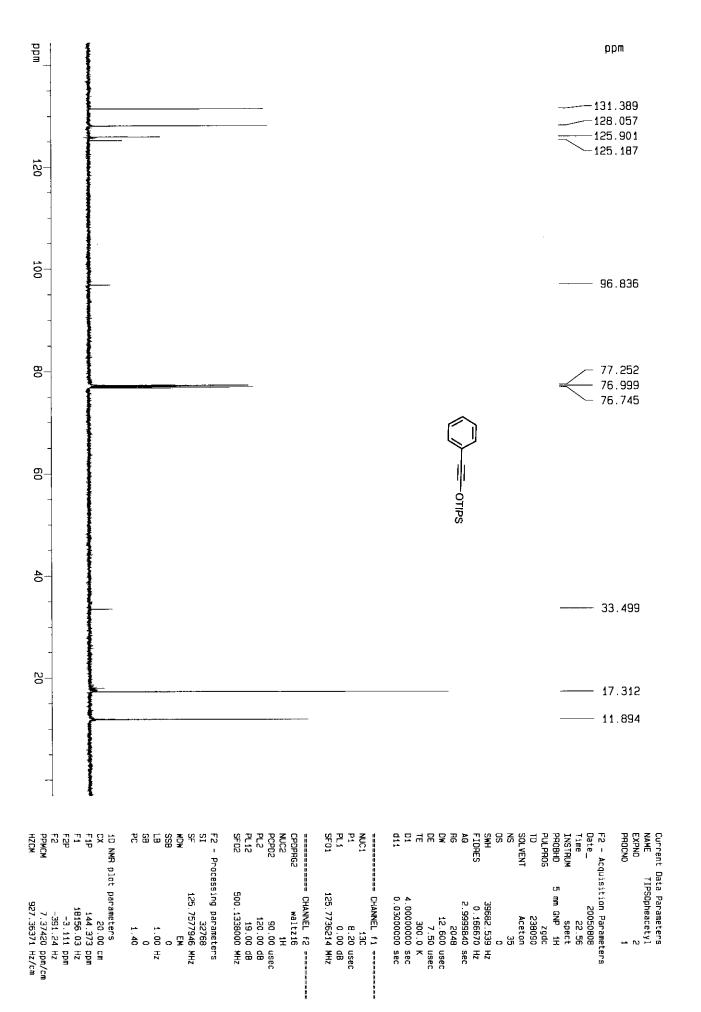
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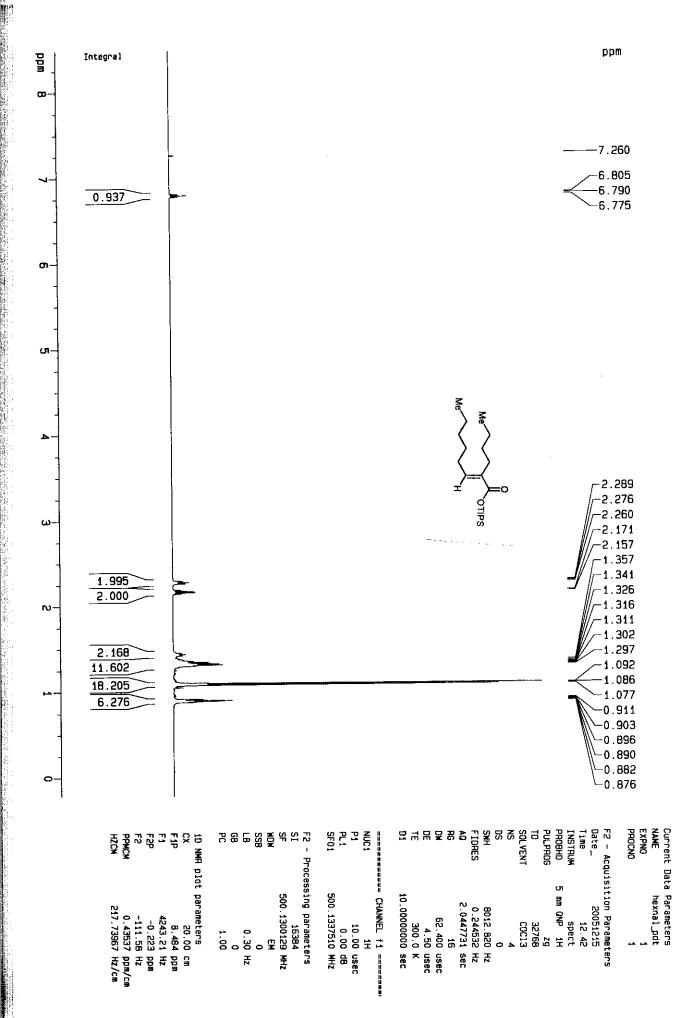


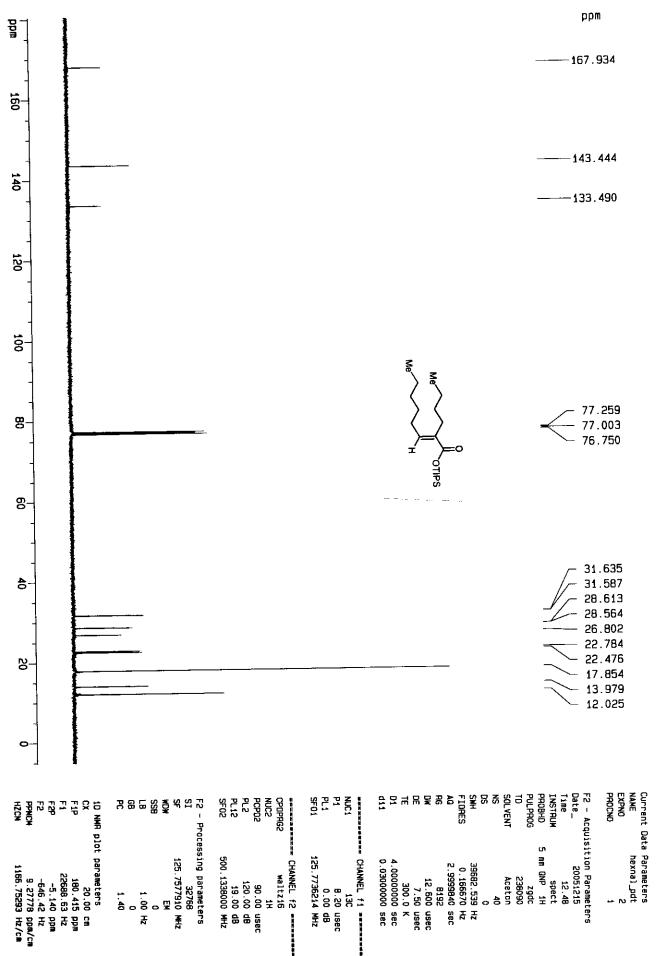




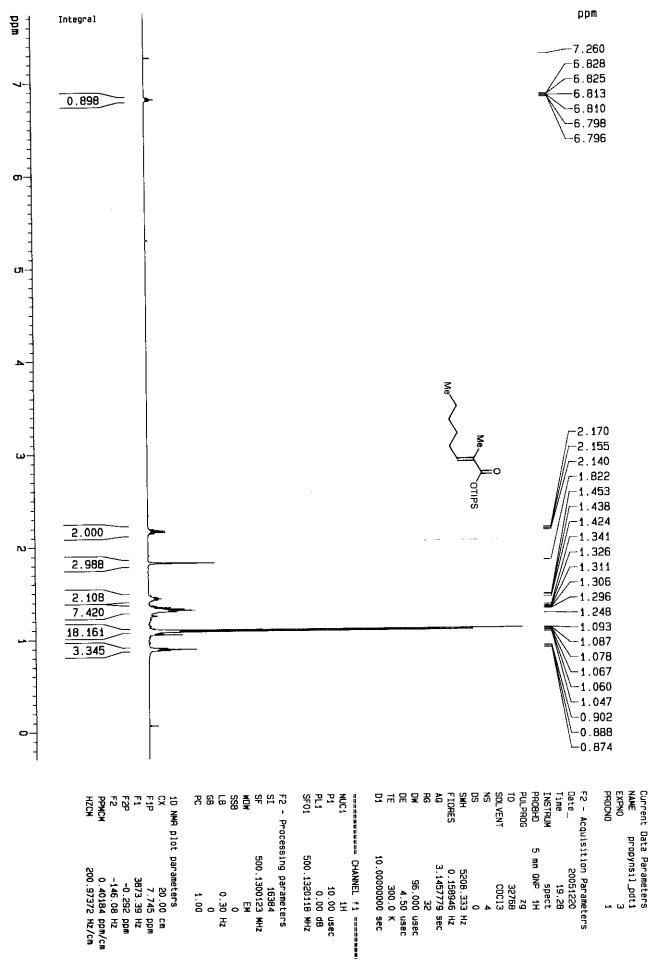




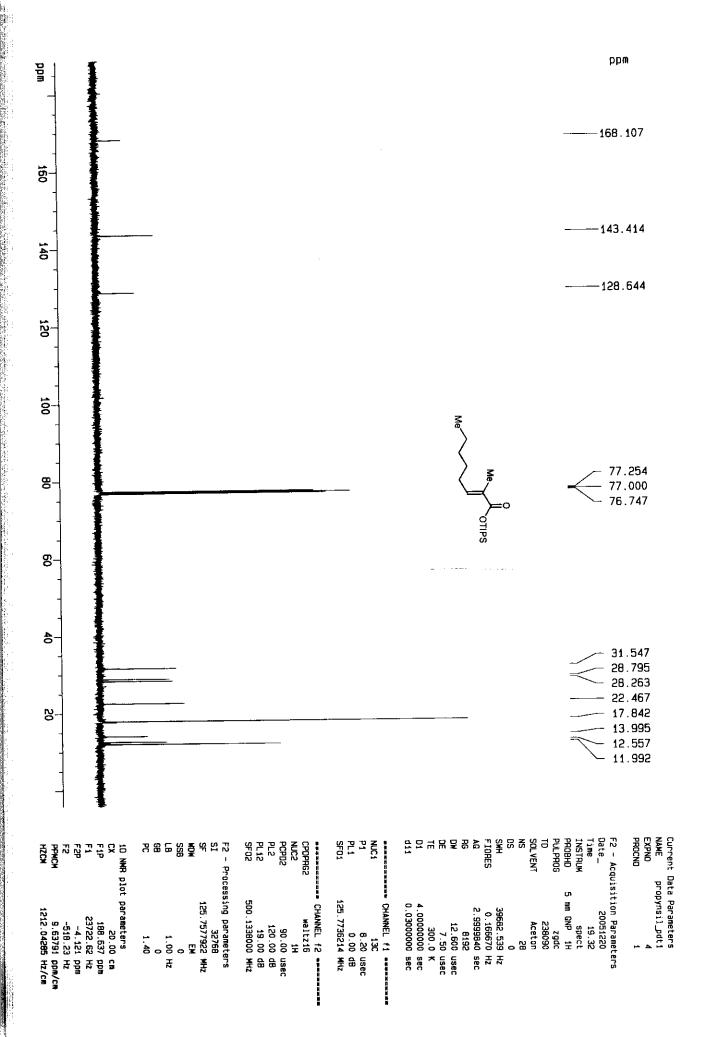


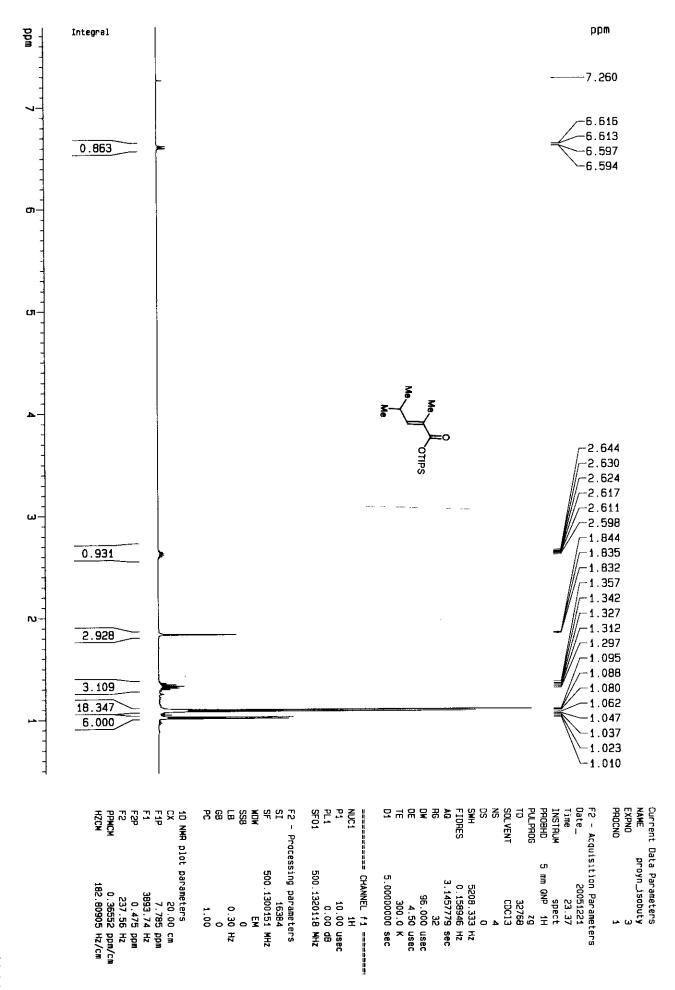


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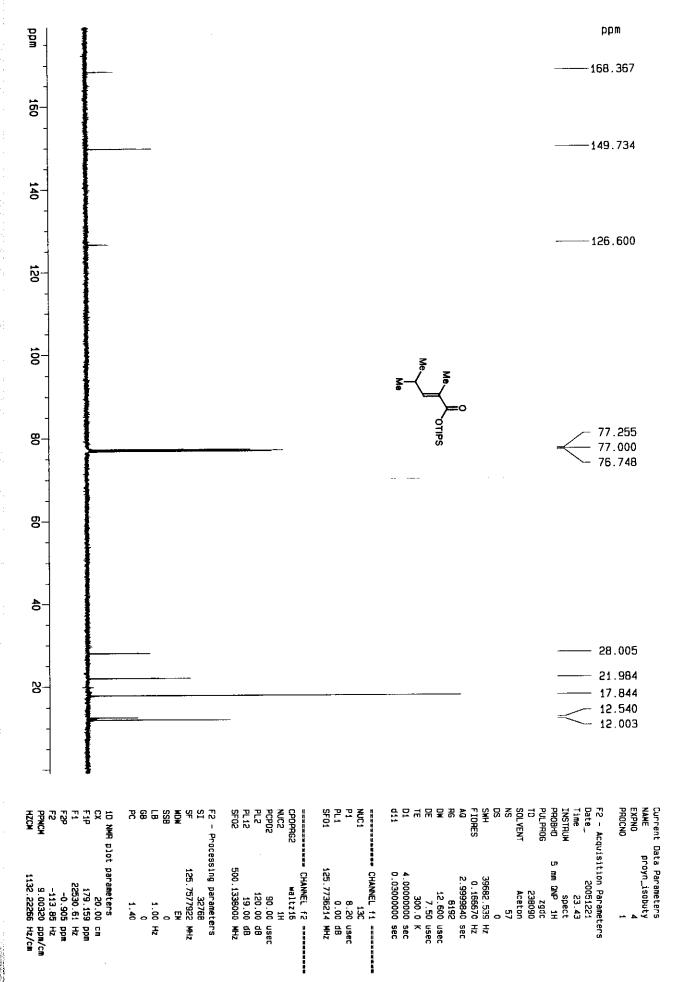
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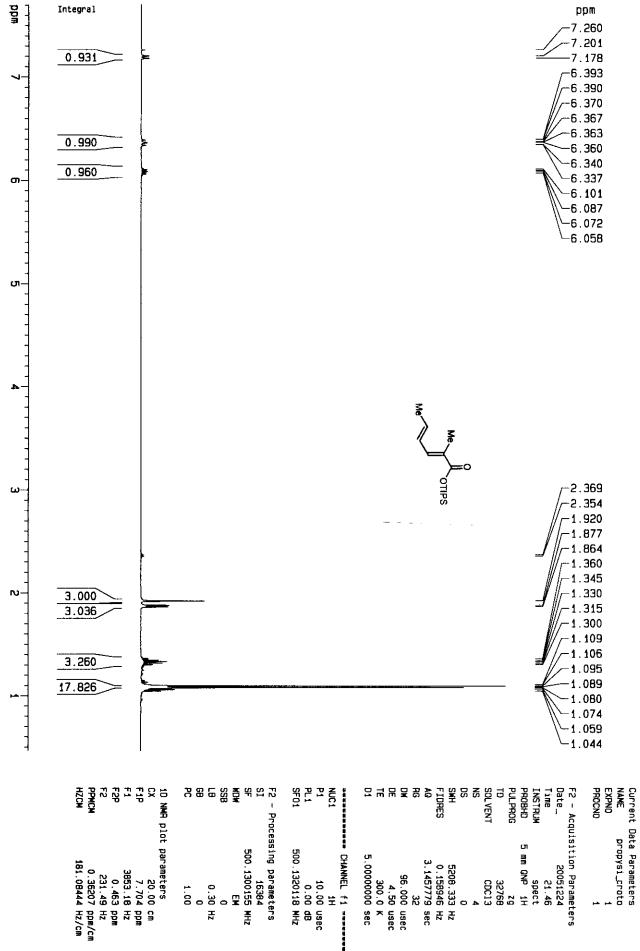




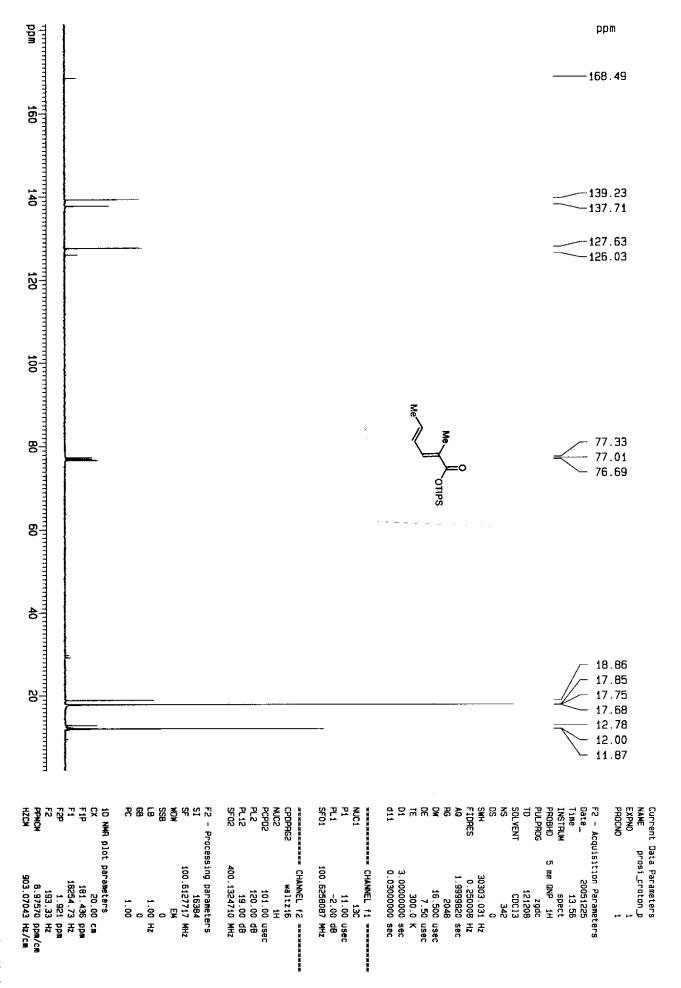
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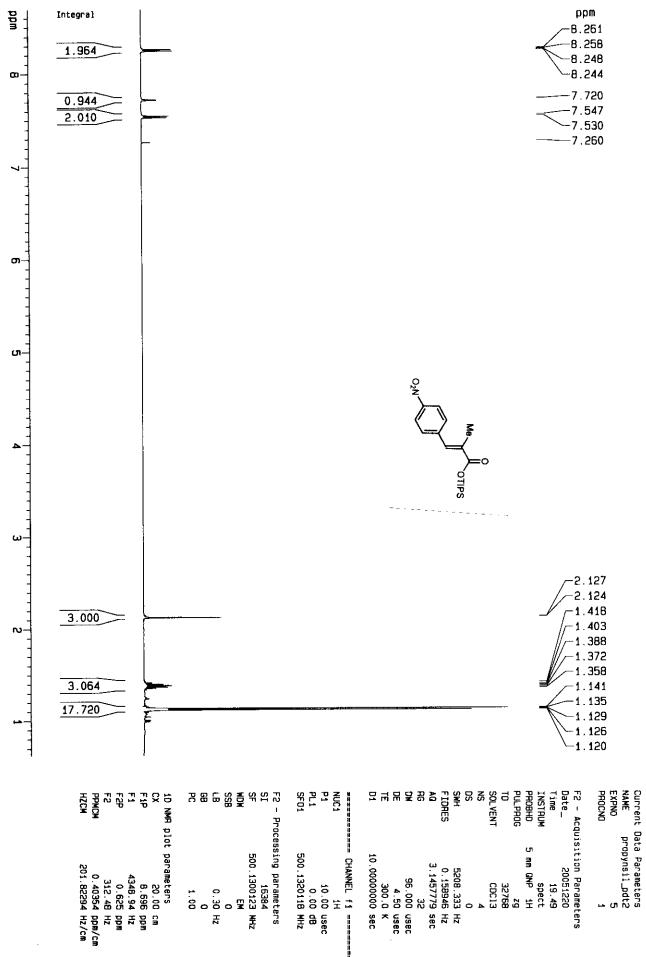
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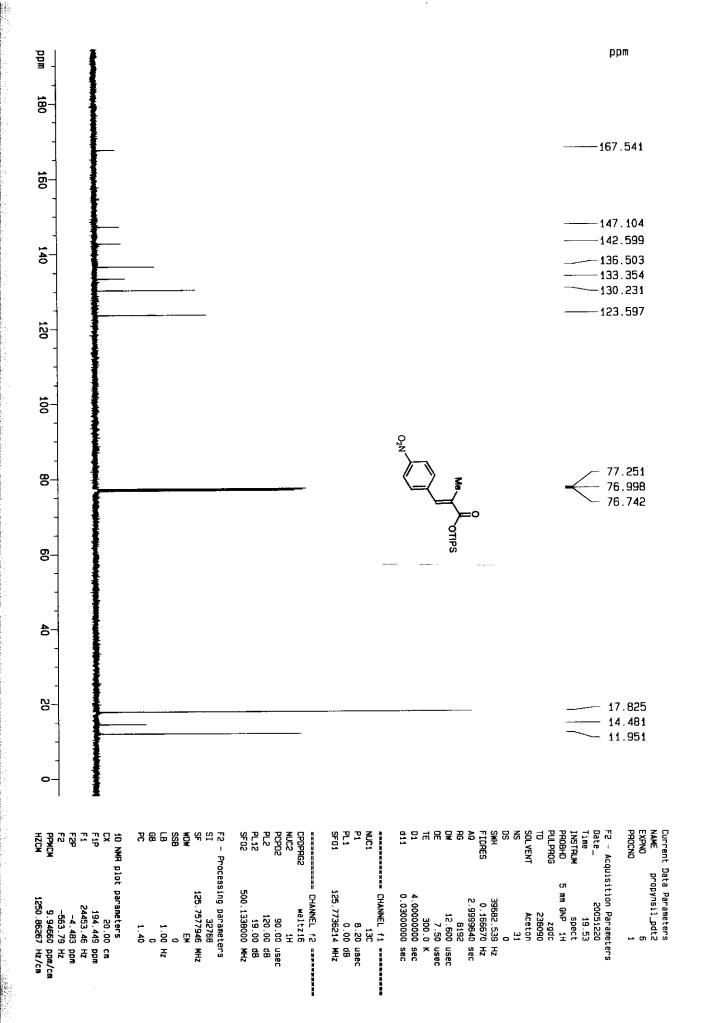
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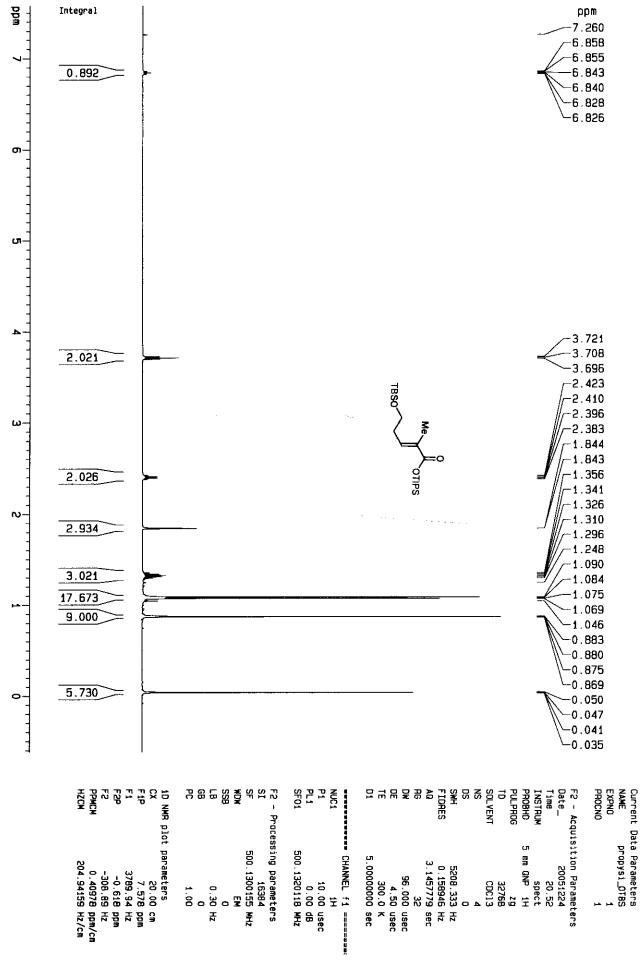


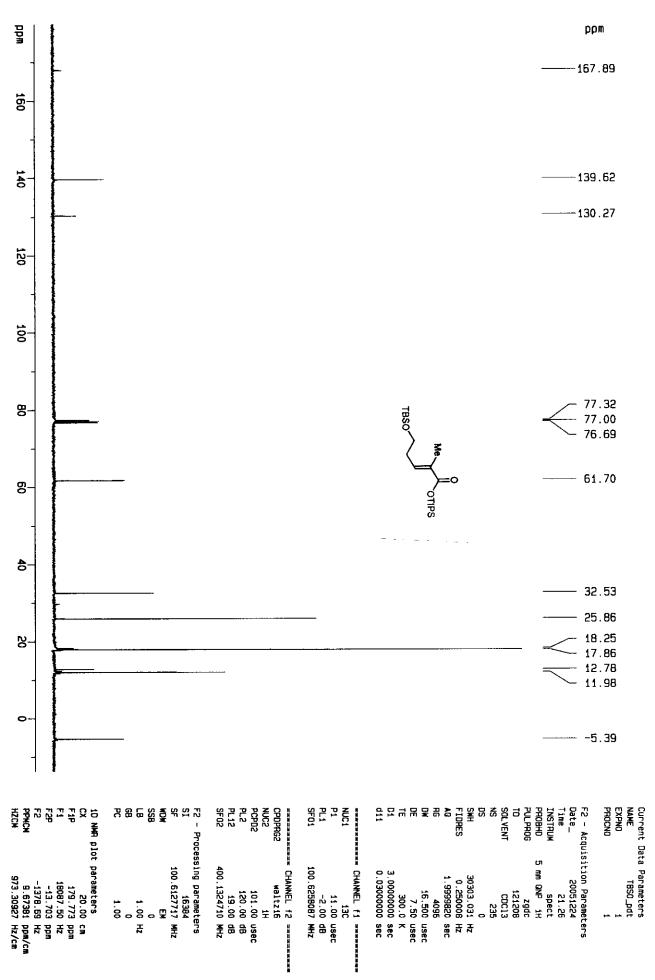
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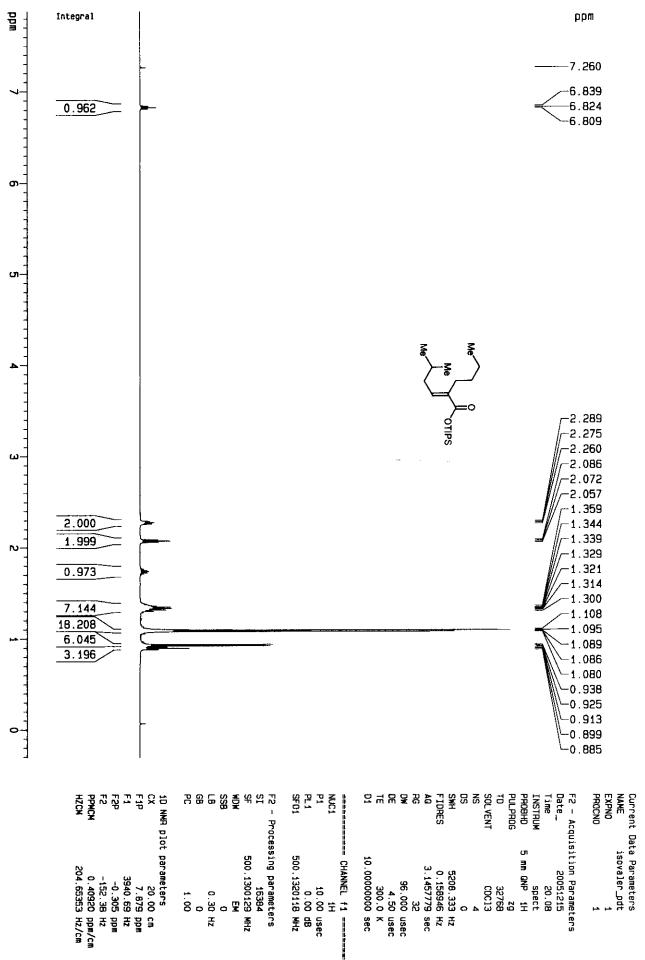
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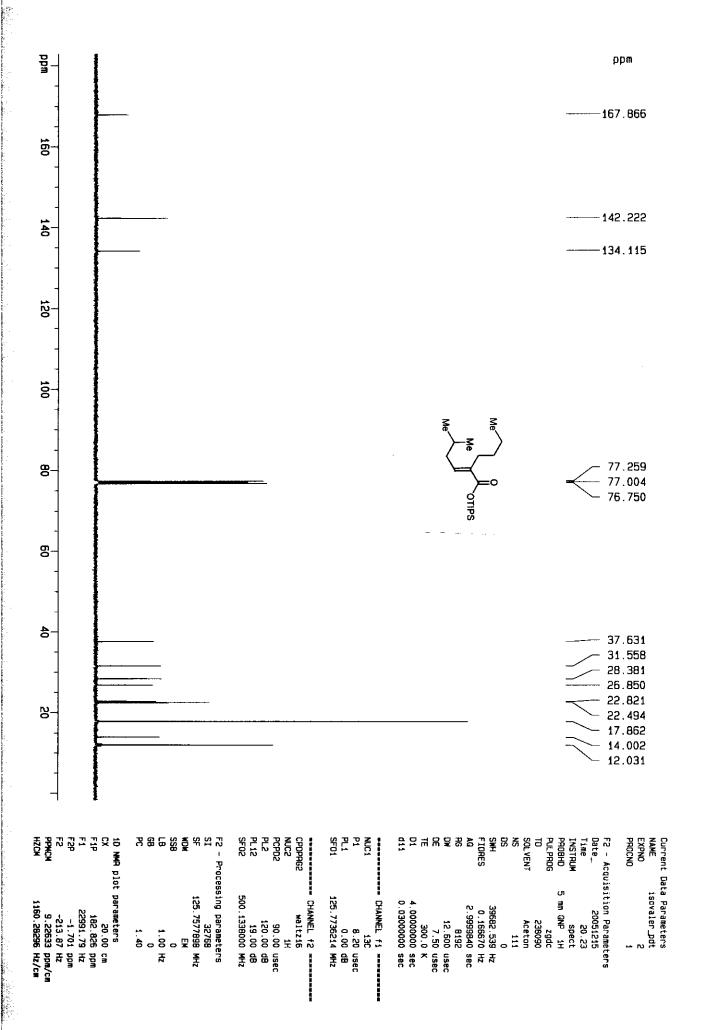


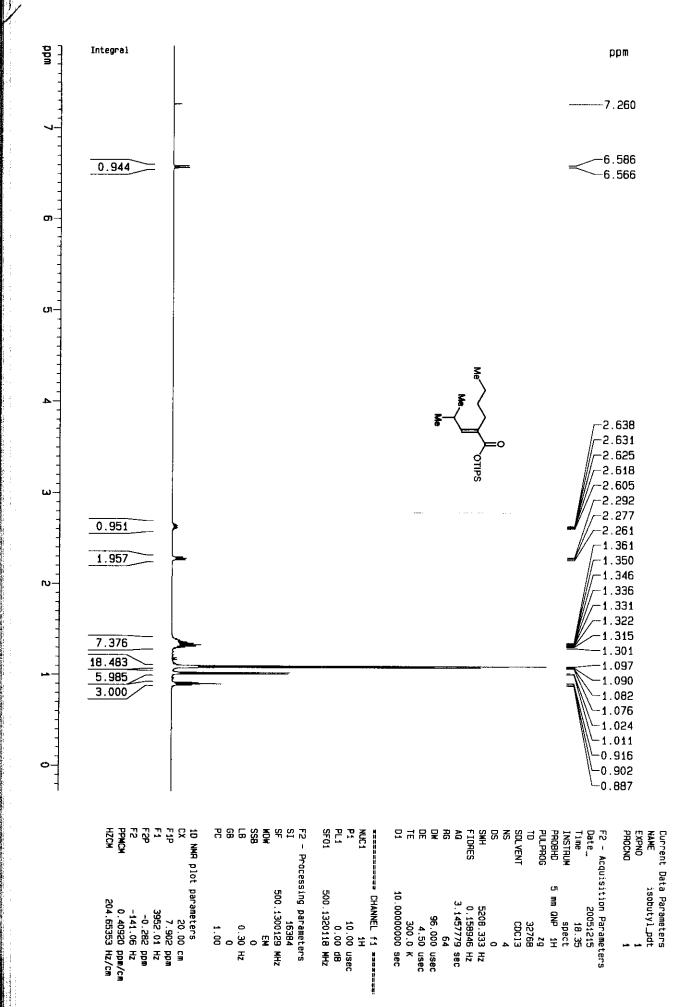
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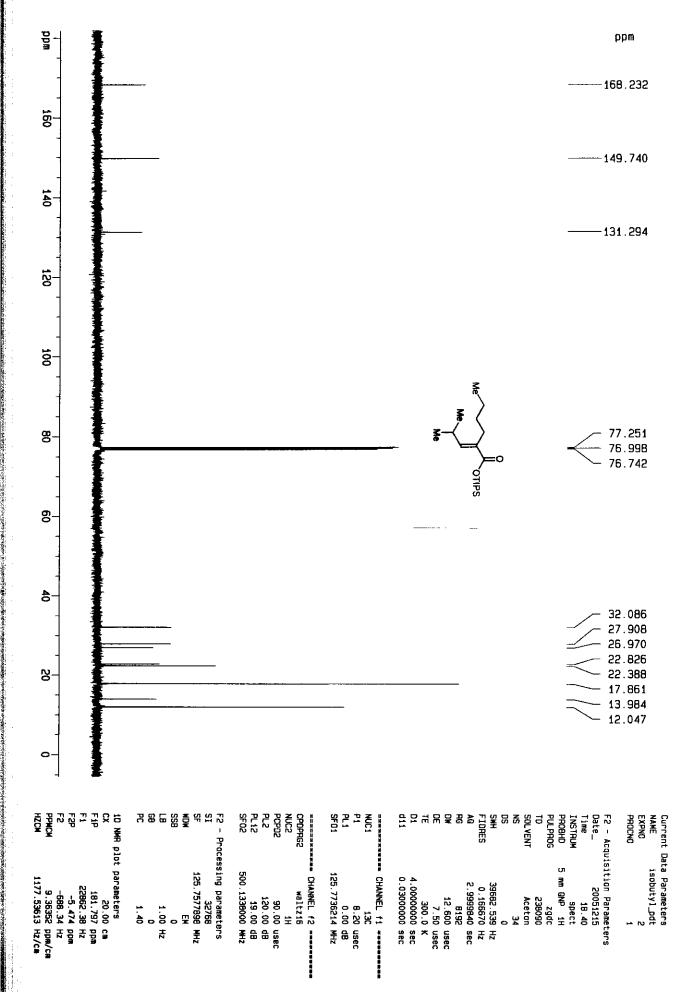


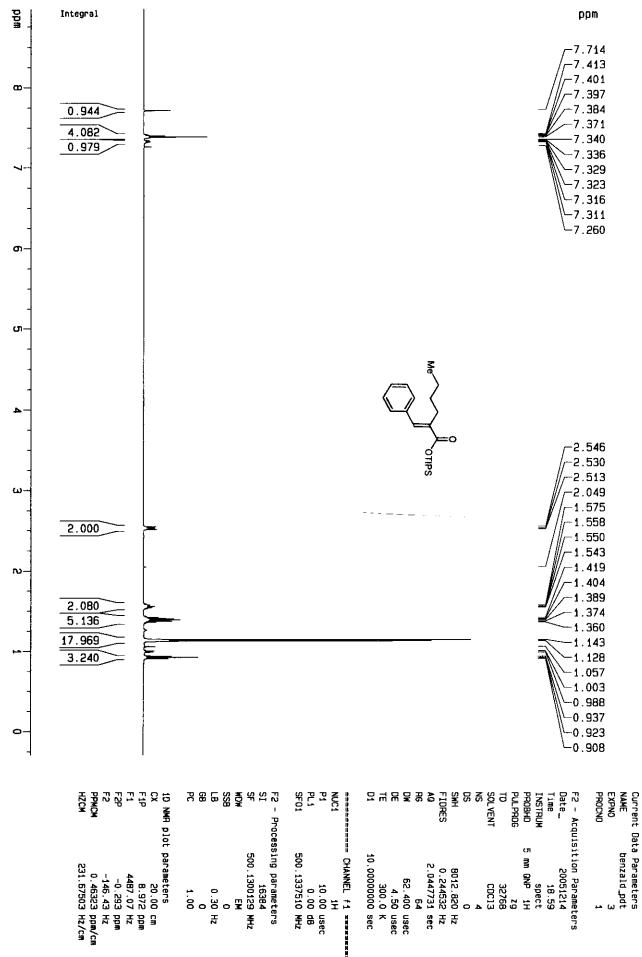


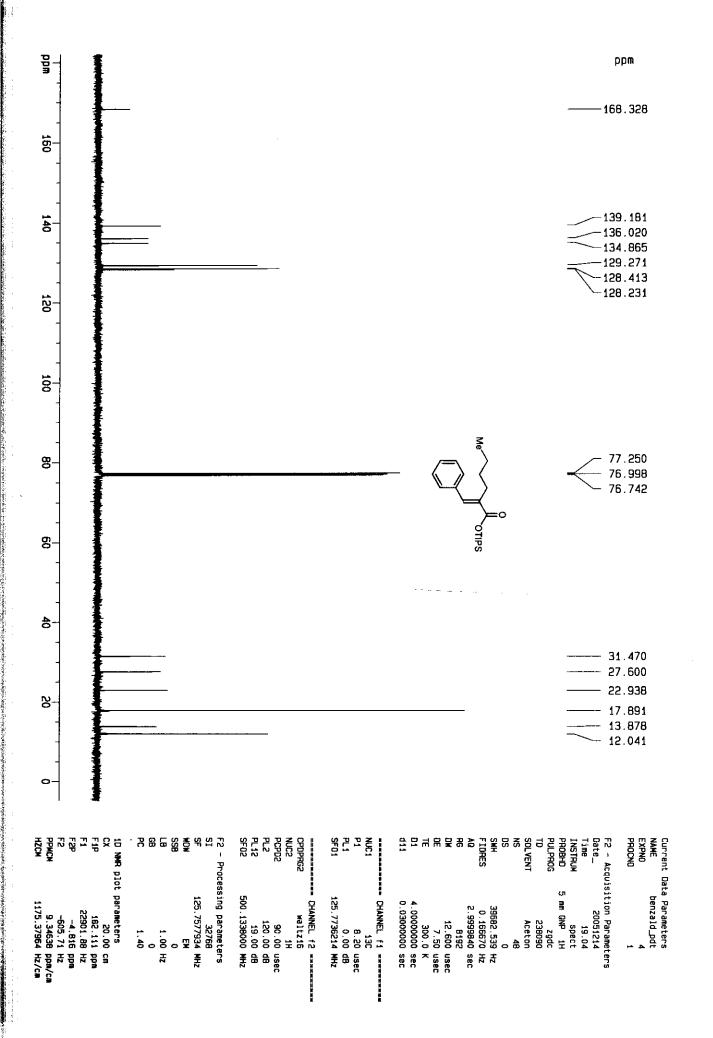


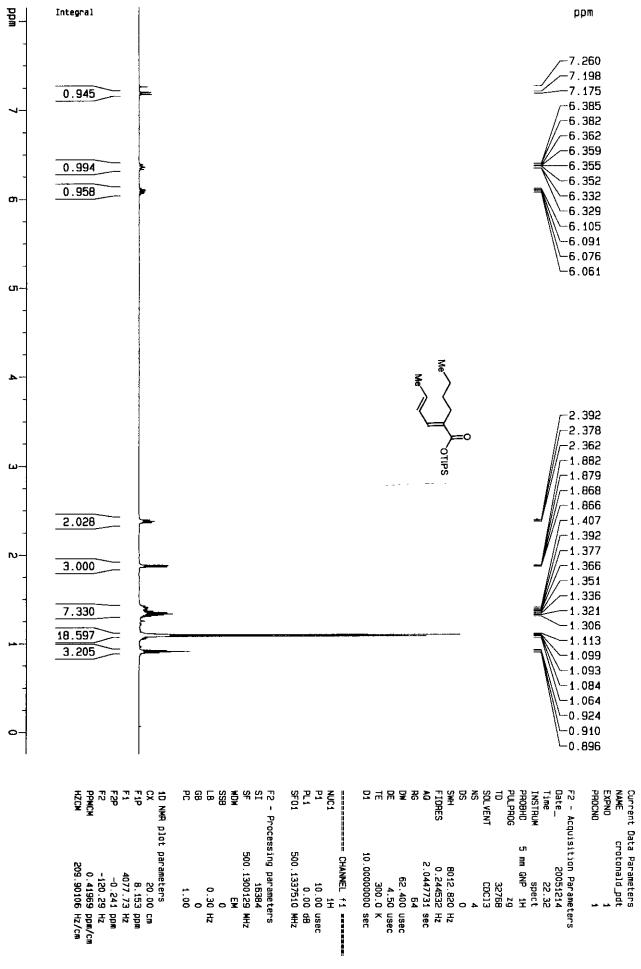


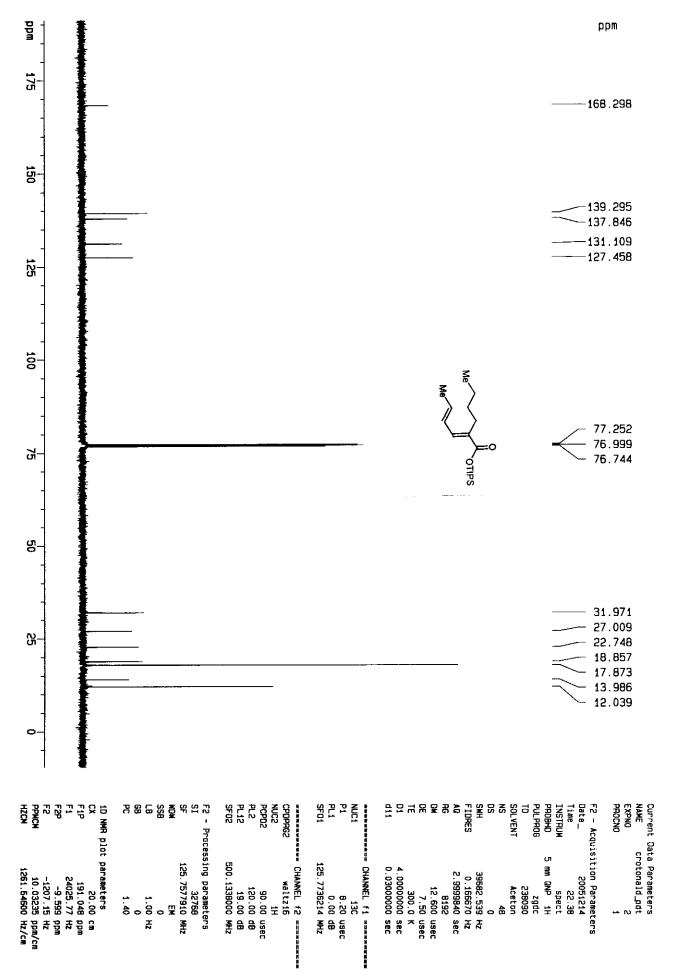




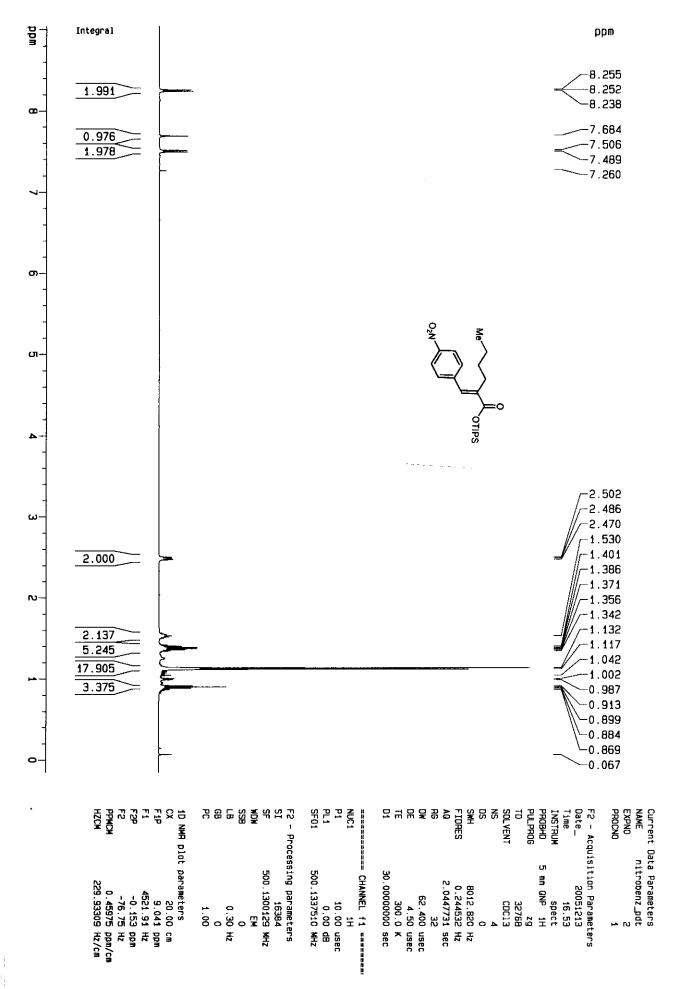


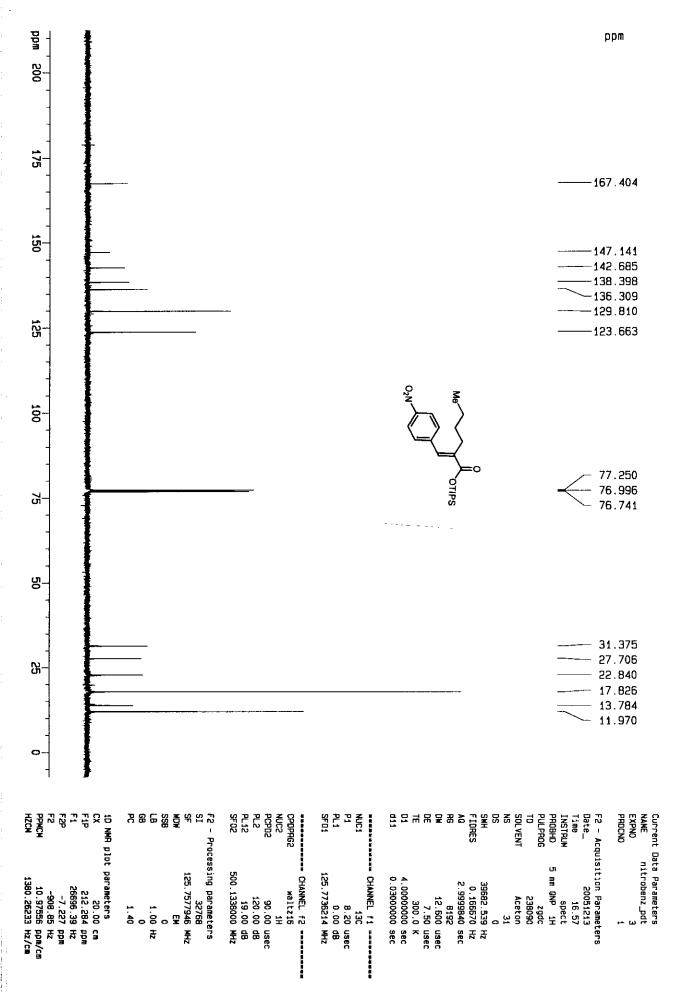




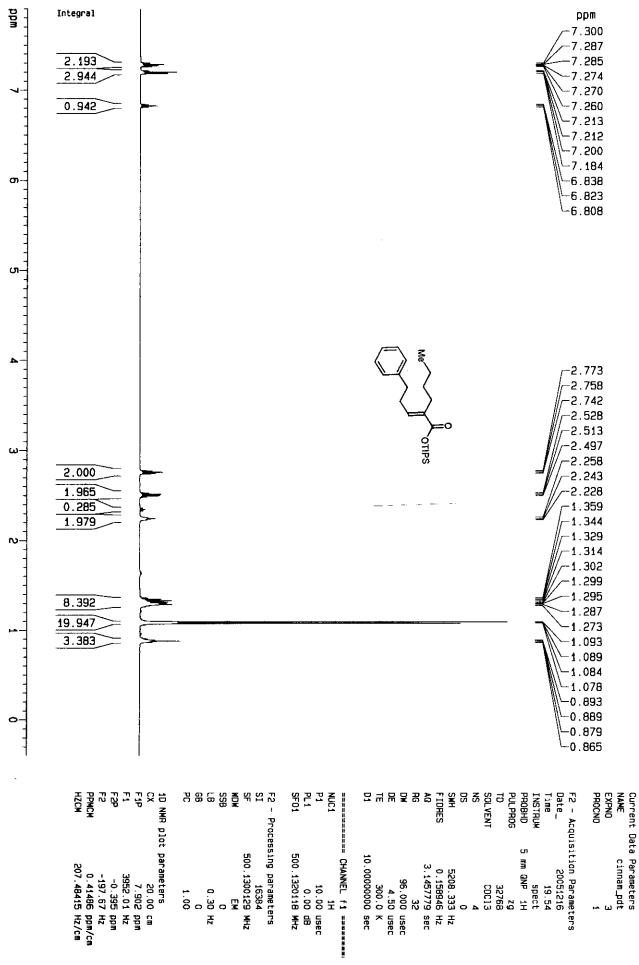


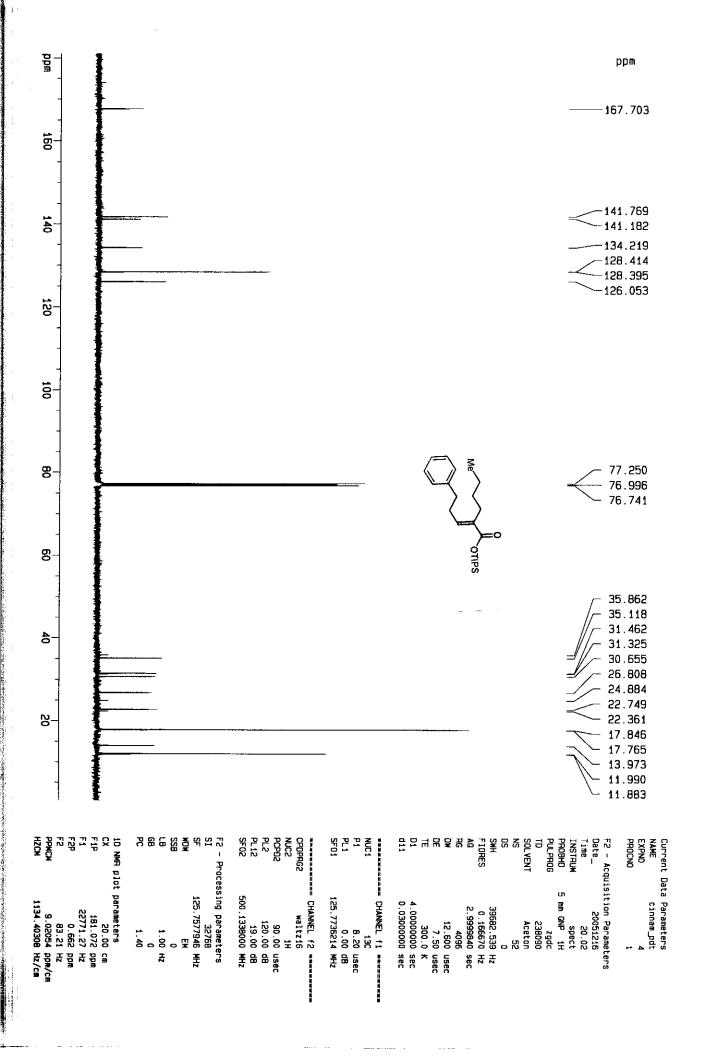
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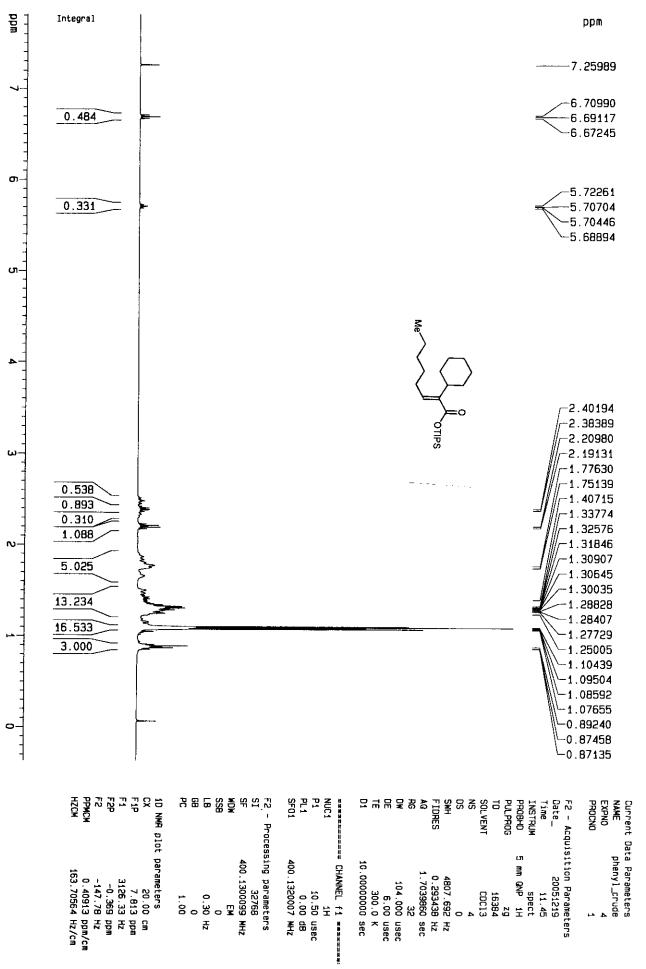


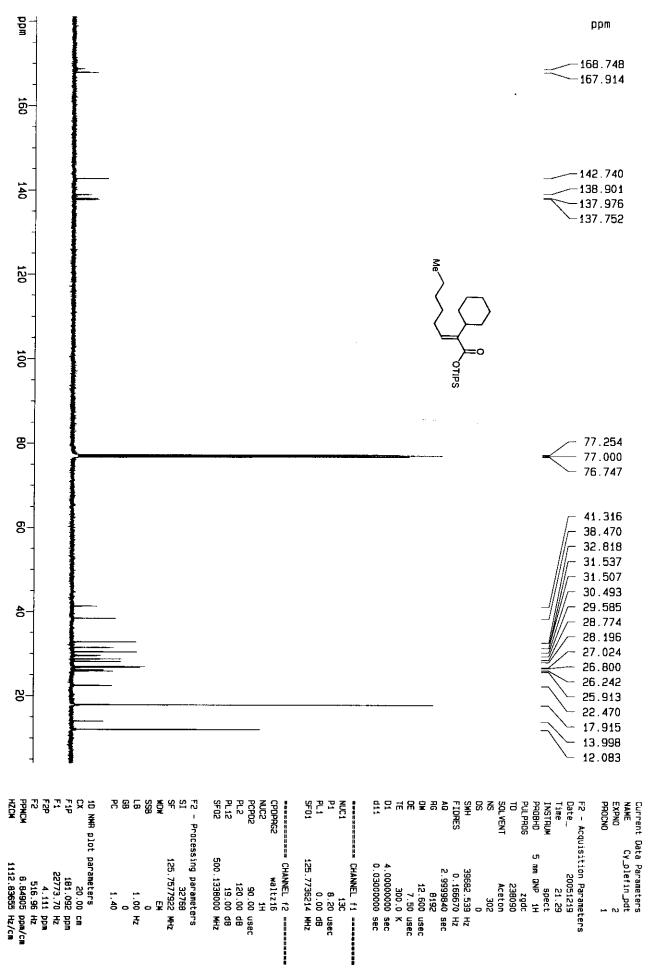


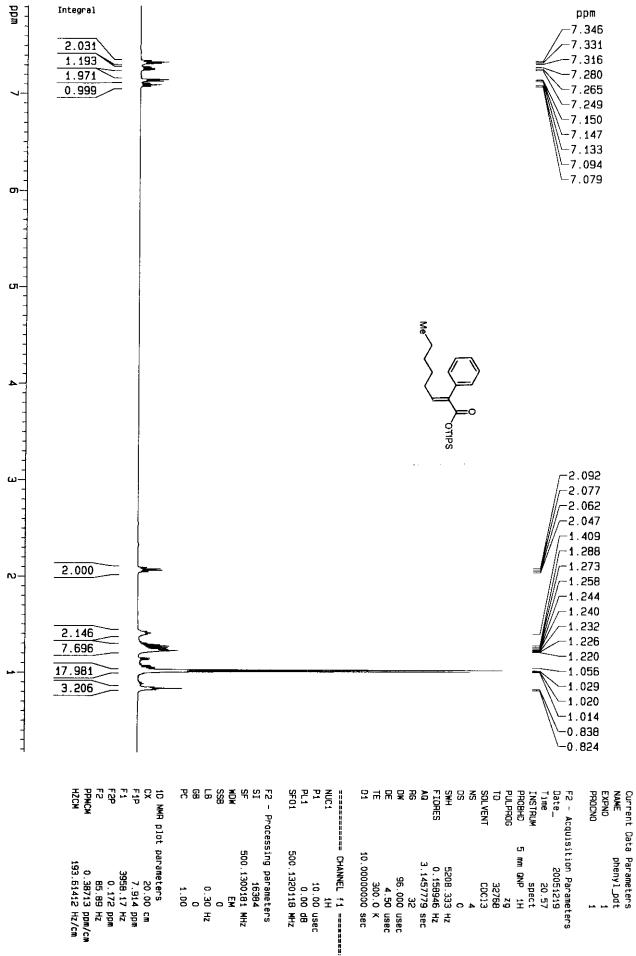
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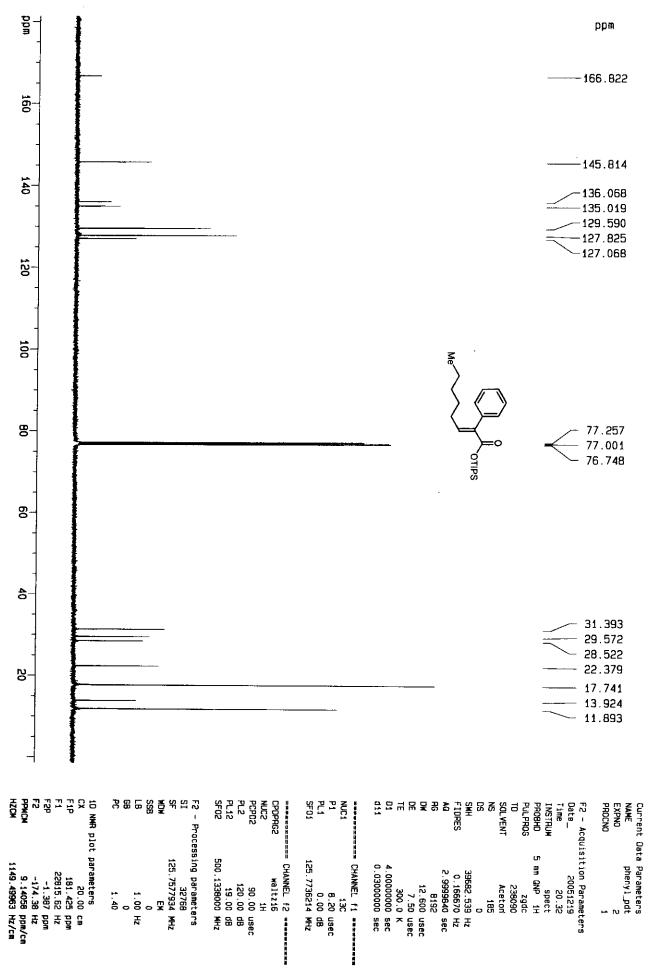




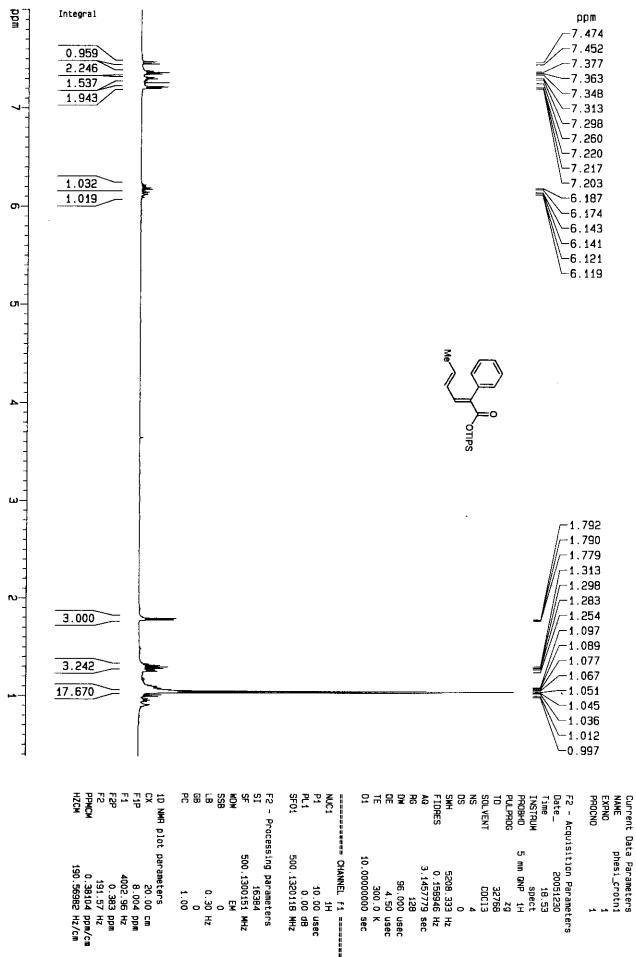


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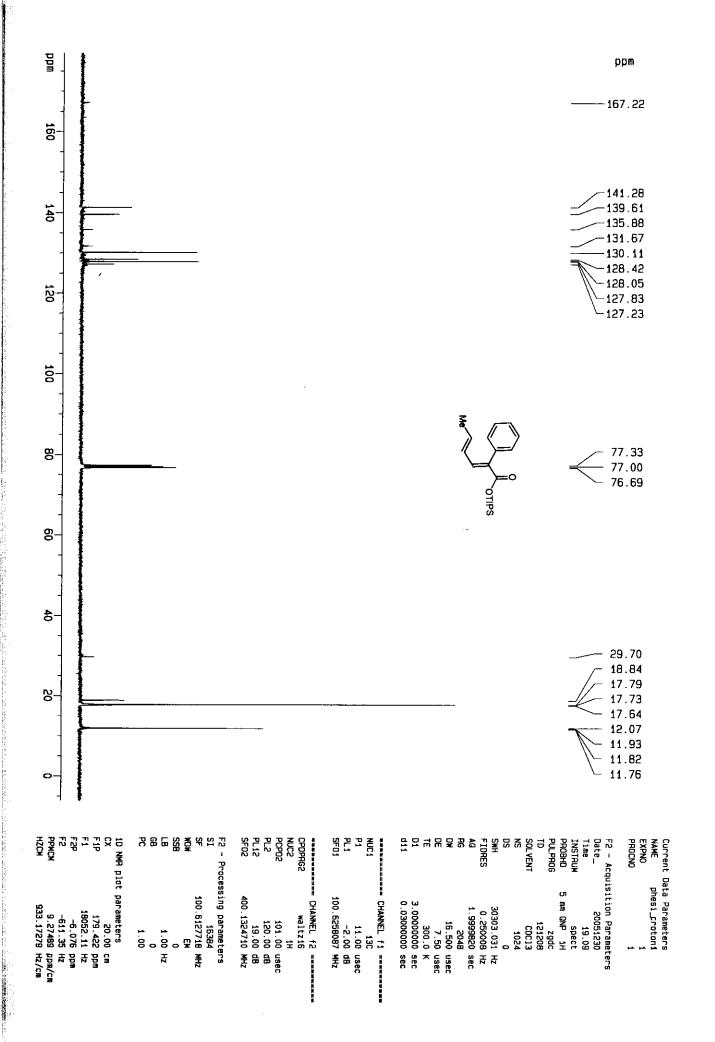


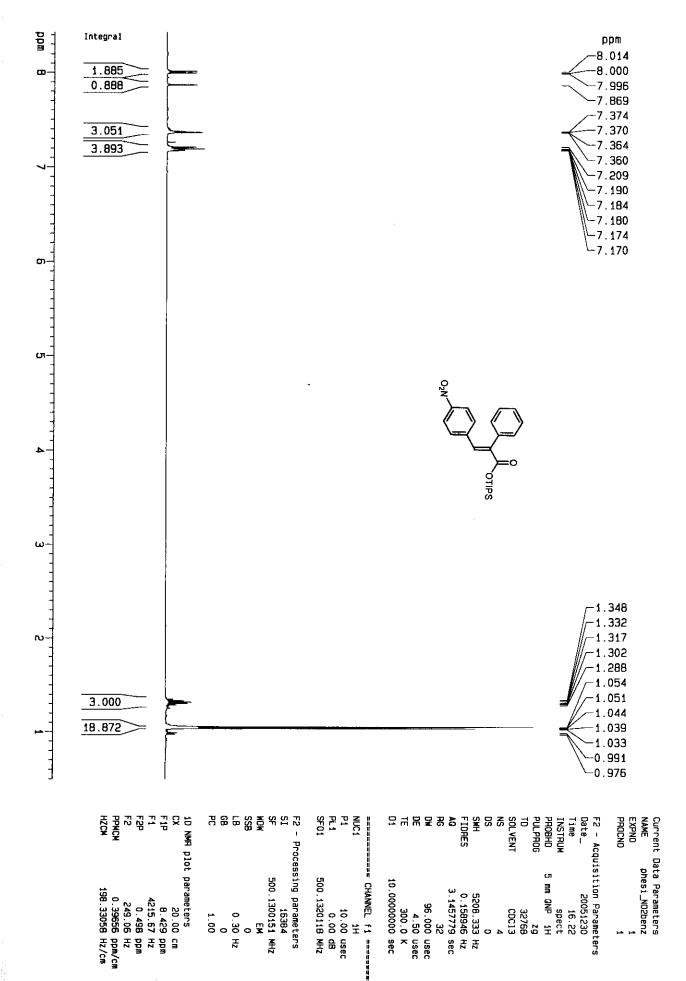
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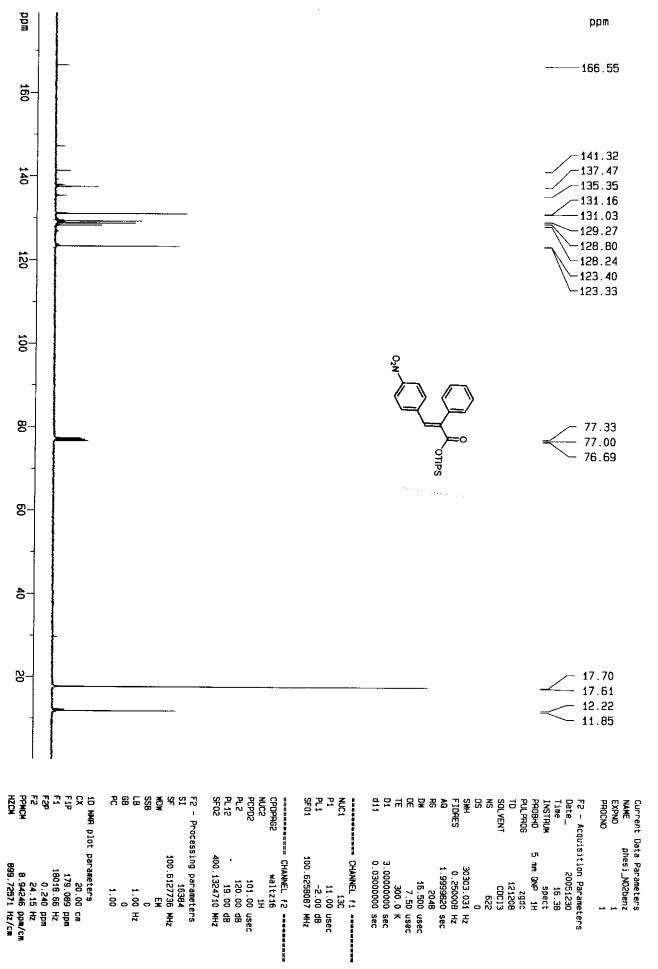
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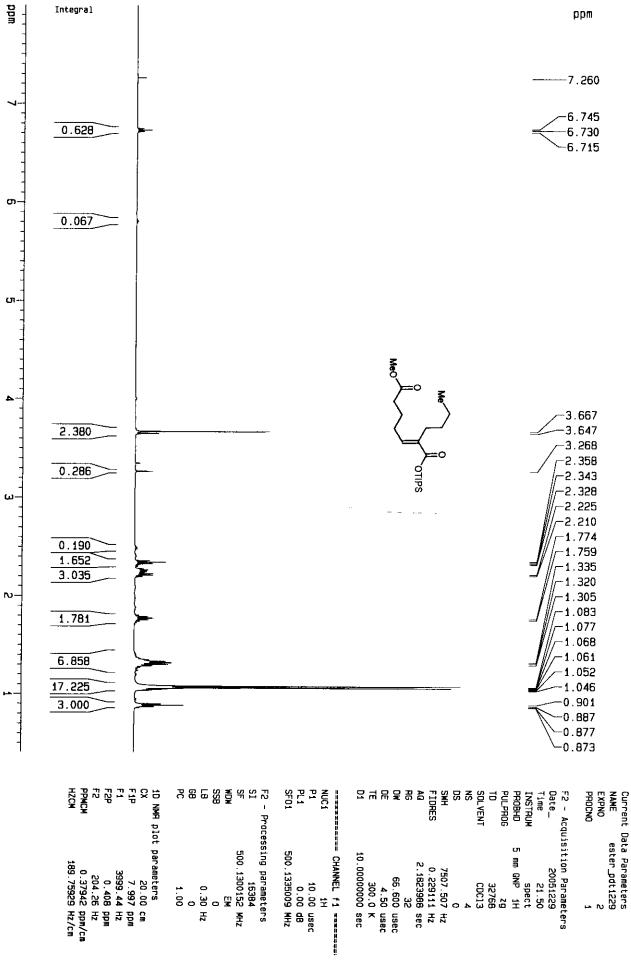
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