

Norepinephrine and its metabolites are involved in the synthesis of neuromelanin derived from the *locus coeruleus*

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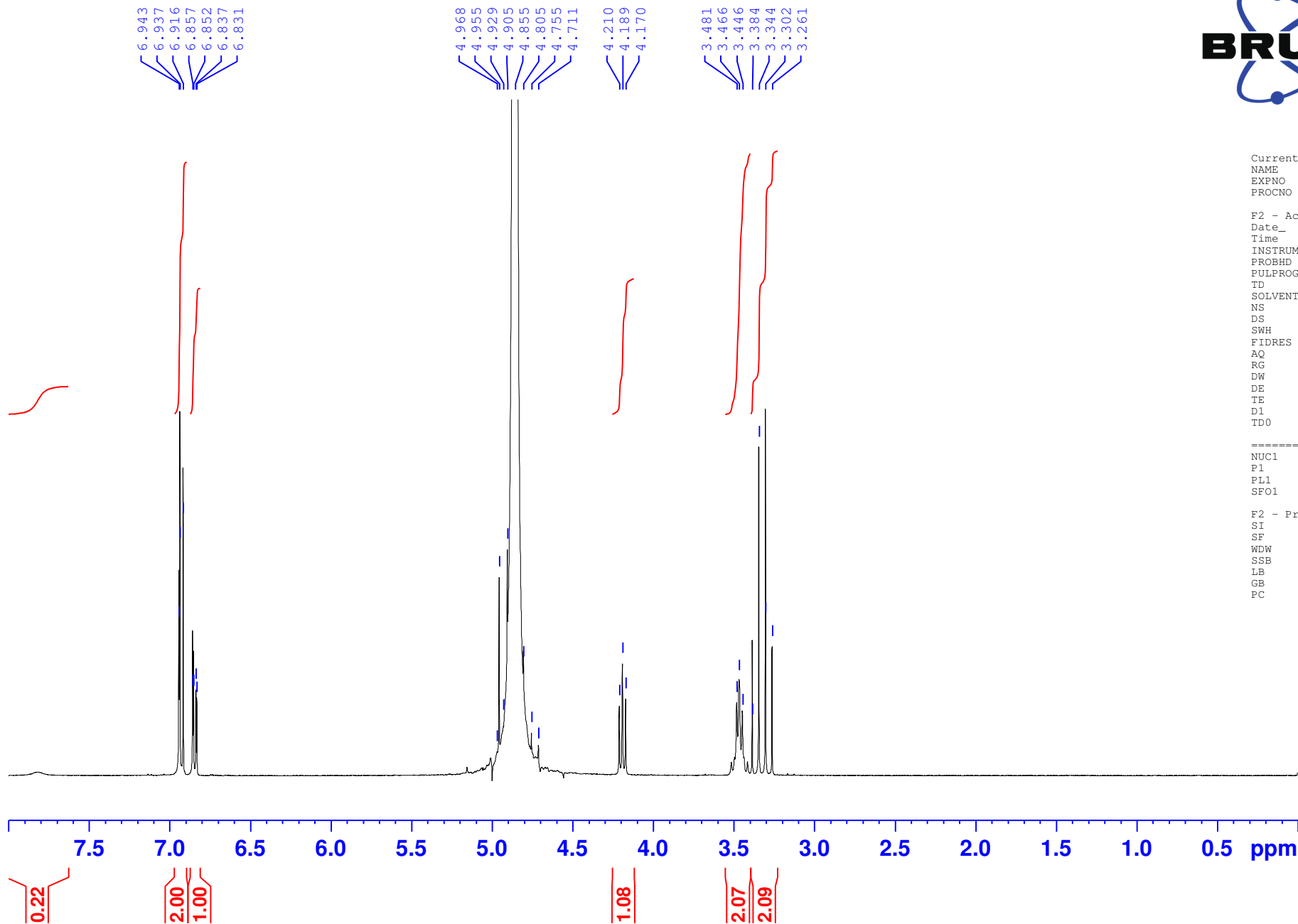
**Figure S7.** 5-*S*-Cys-CMT-DA by Ion Trap LC-MS

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**Figure S9.** Proposed mechanism for the production of CMT-DA by hydrolysis of NE with 6 M HCl in the presence of thioglycolic acid. DA-thioether derivative CMT-DA may be produced from NE via the quinonemethide intermediate.

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wakamatsu\_Cl-DA, 0.5 mL 0.1 M DCl



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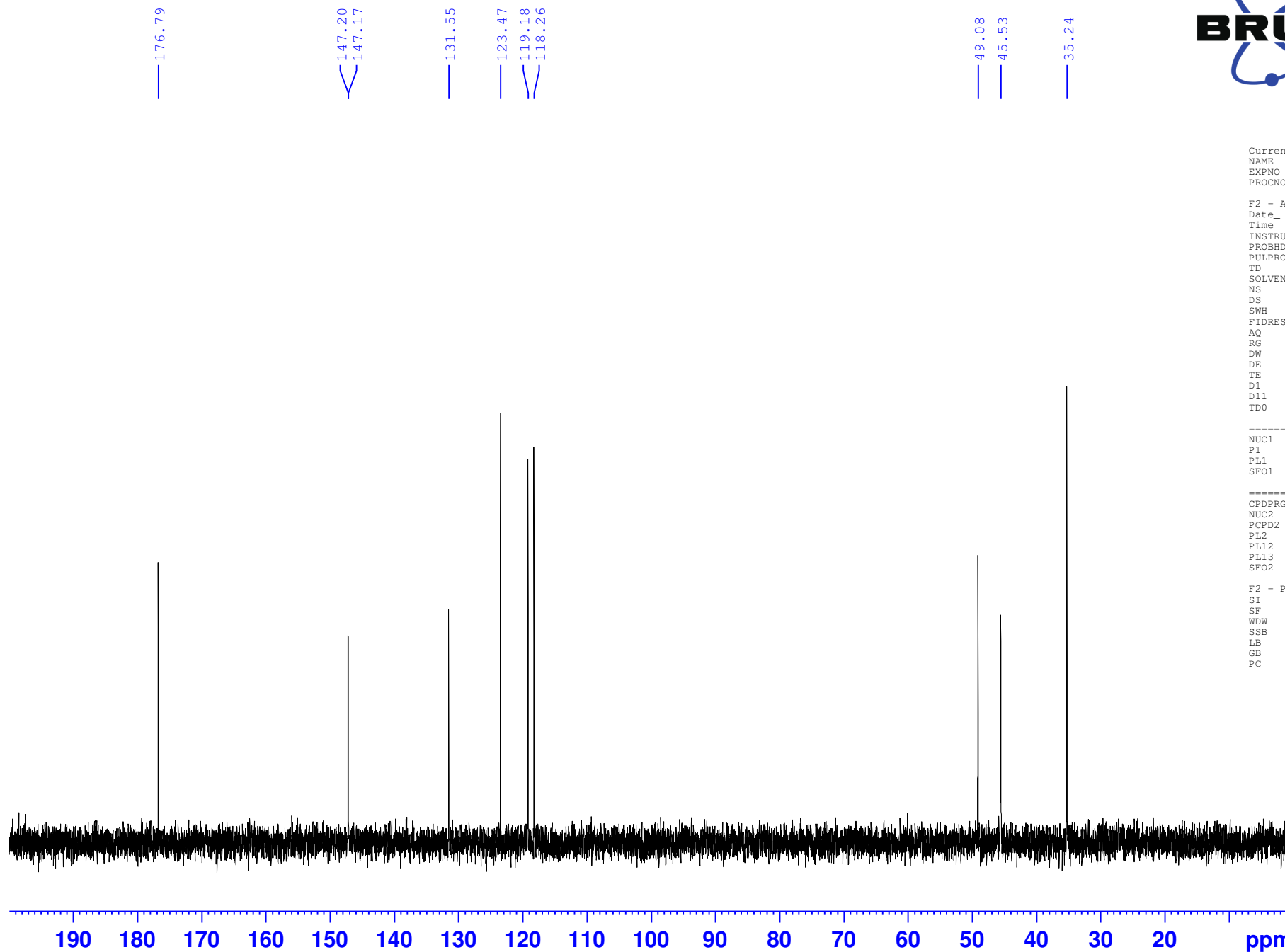
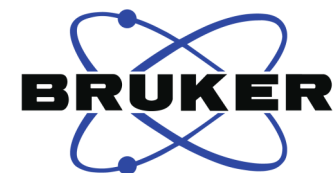
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Fig. S1

wakamatsu\_Cl-DA, 0.5 mL 0.1 M DCl



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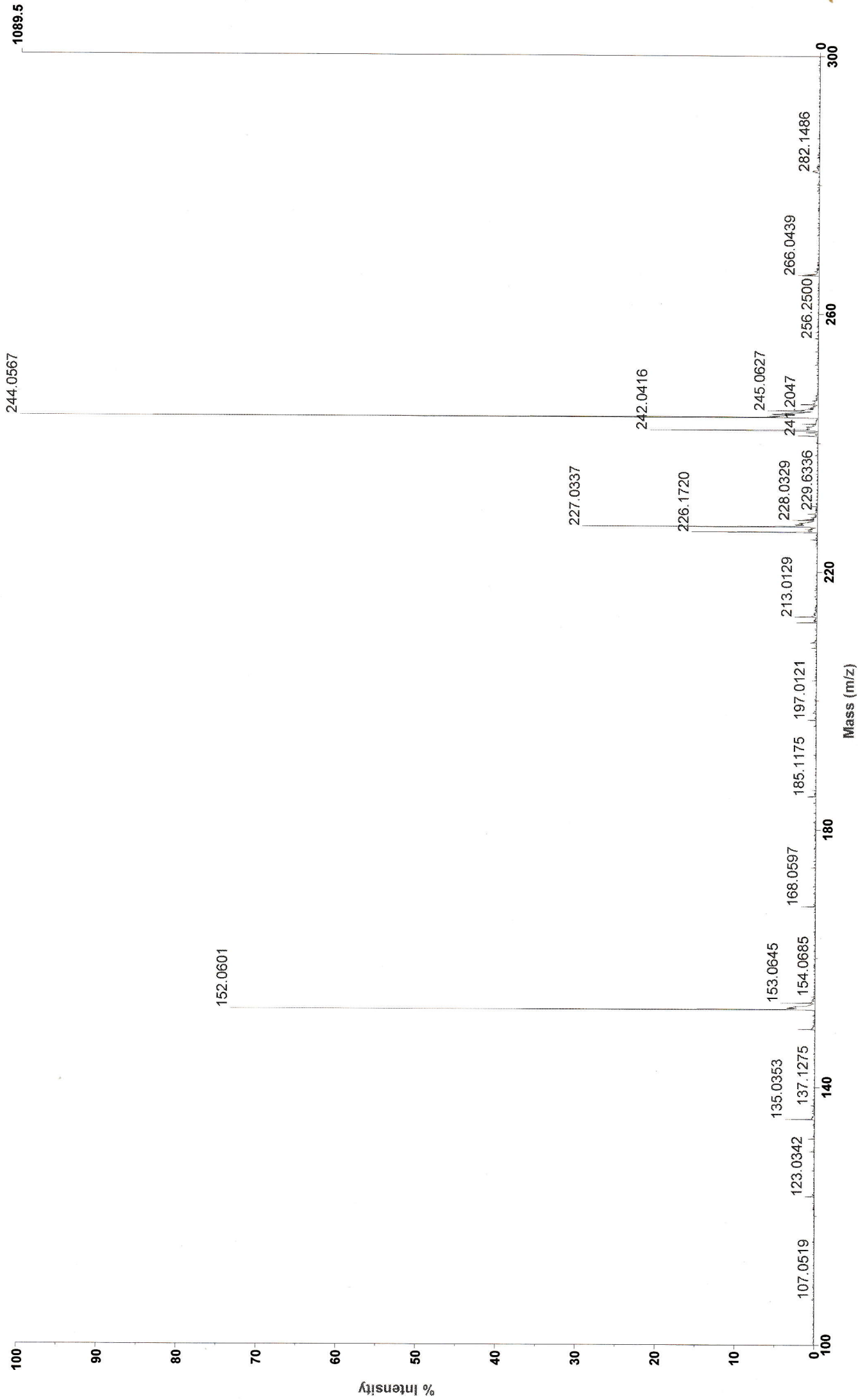
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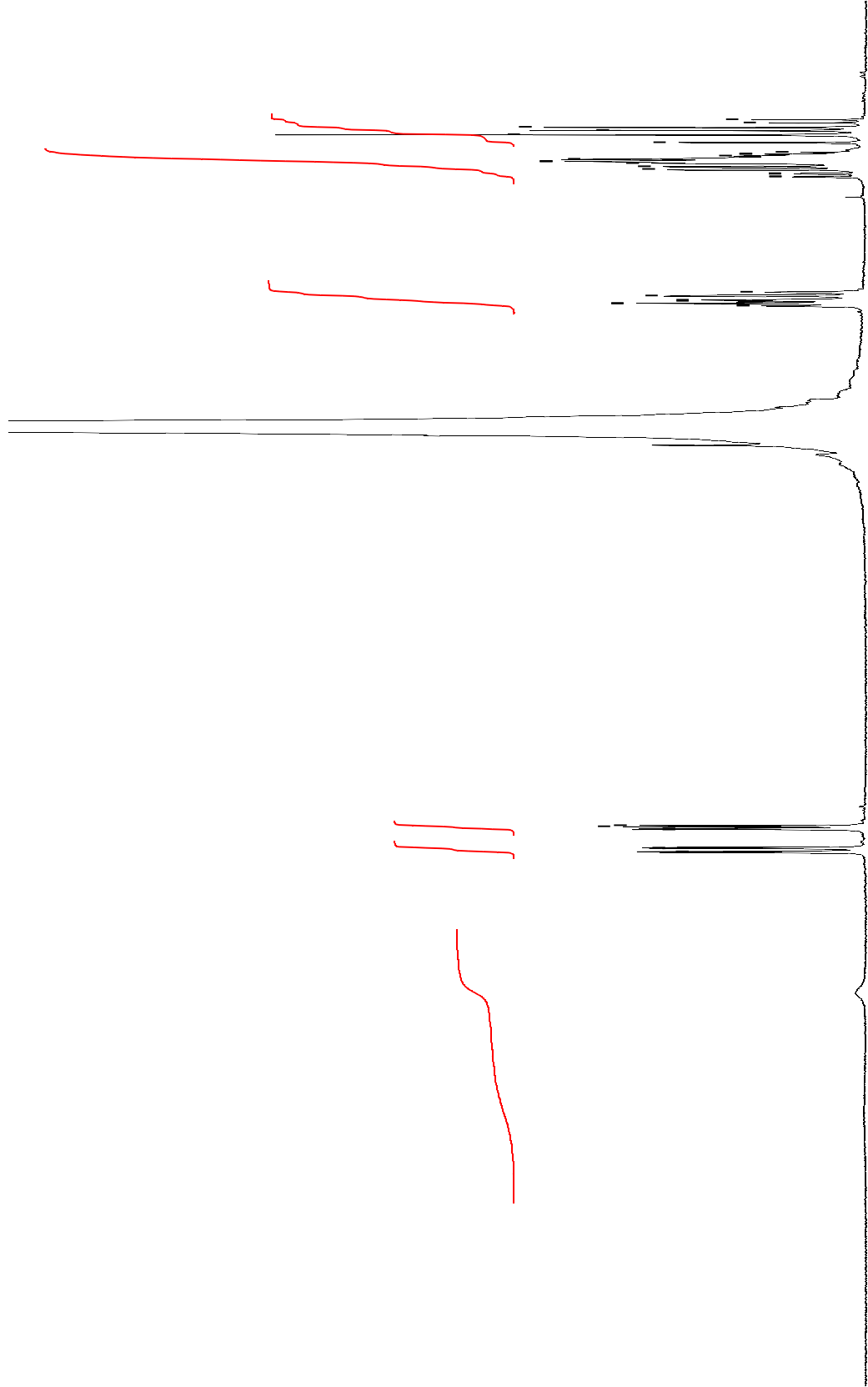
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Fig. S3

5S-CNE\_HCl/D2O-0.1M DCl



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Fig. S4



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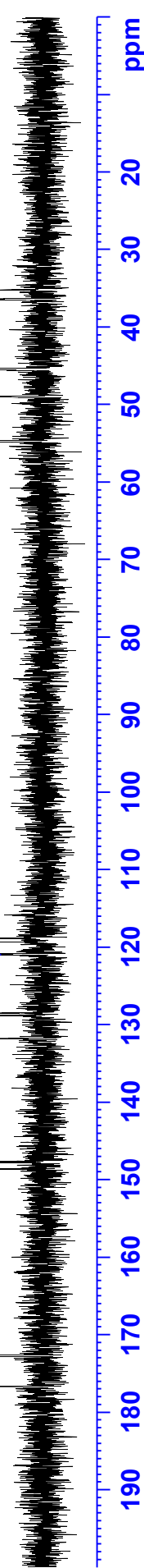


Fig. S5

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Fig. S6



CMT-DA (Synthetic compound)

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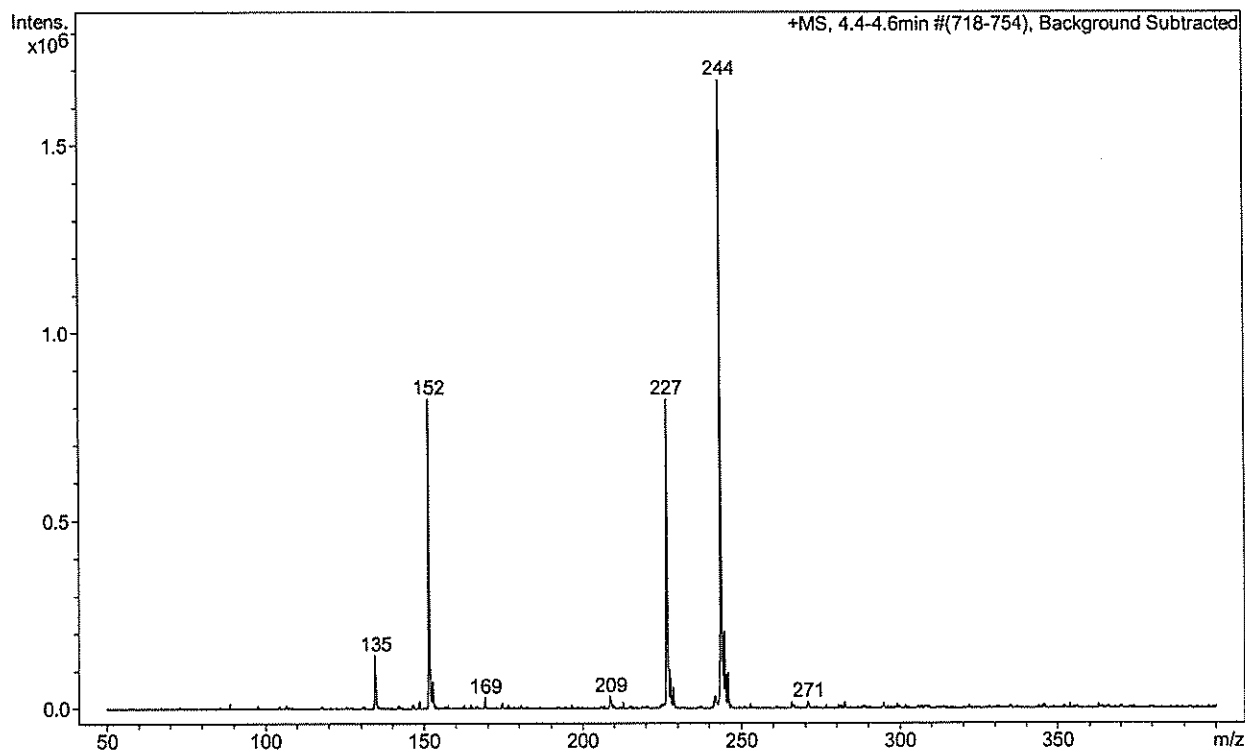
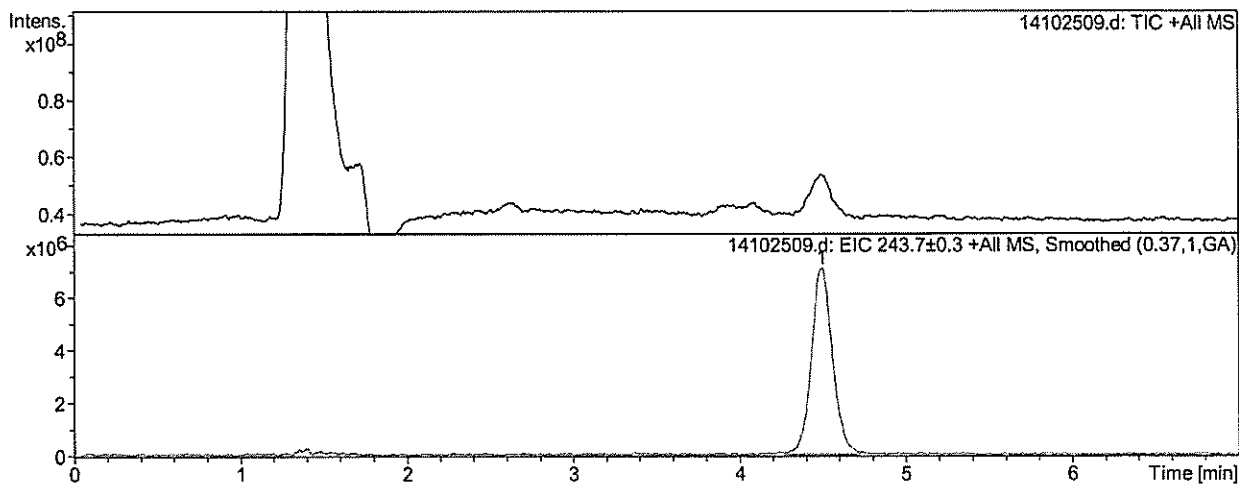


Fig. S7

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5-S-CYS-CMT-DA  
 ← CMT-DA

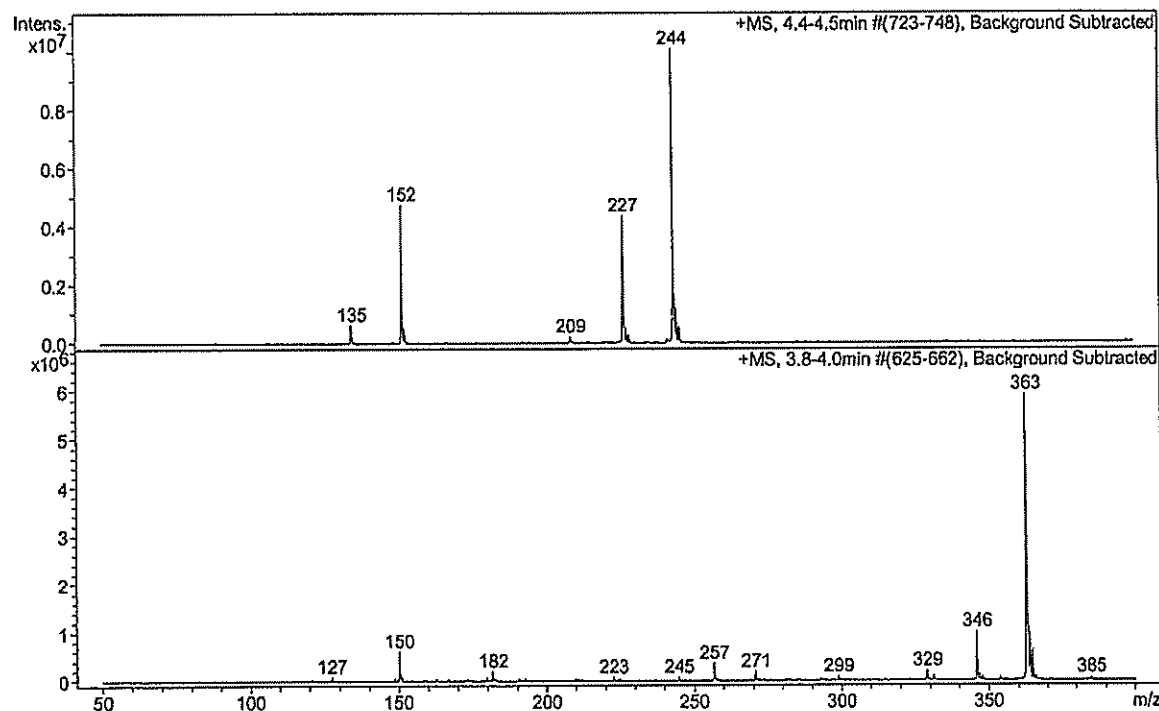
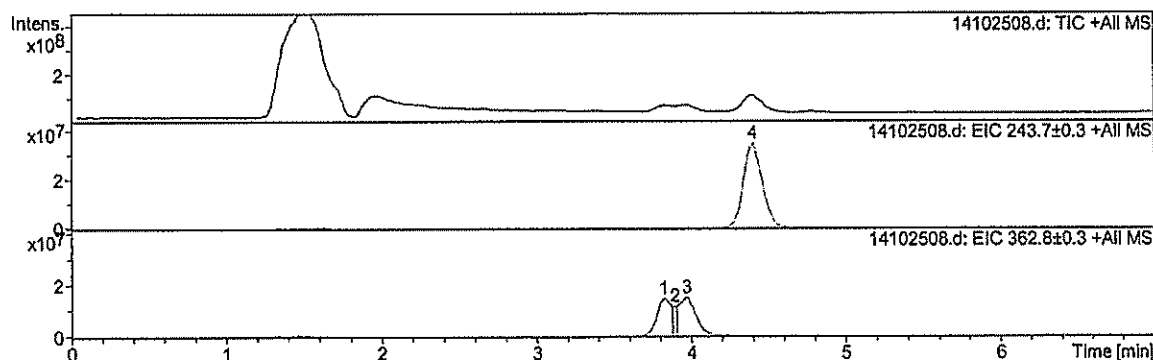


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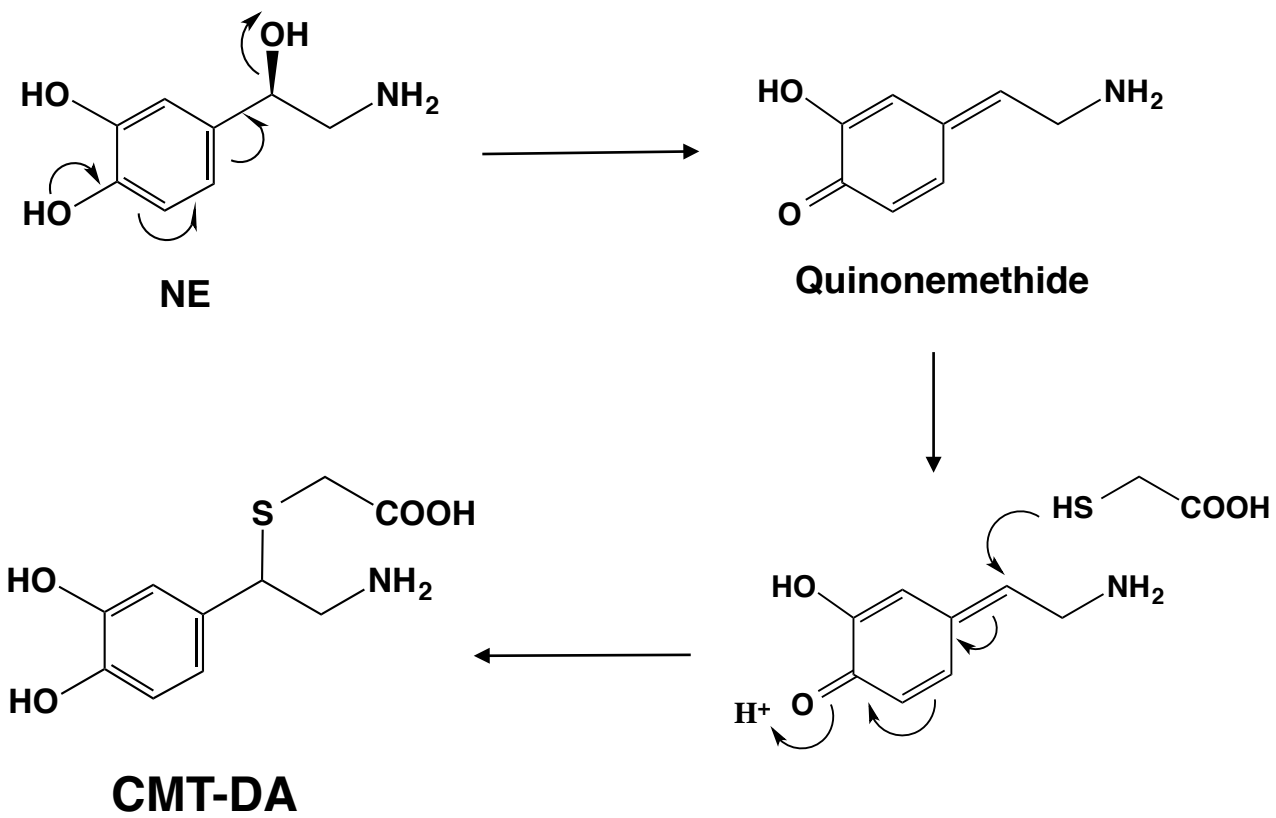


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