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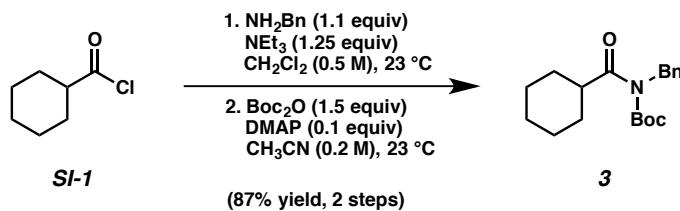
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## Materials and Methods

Unless stated otherwise, reactions were conducted in flame-dried glassware under an atmosphere of nitrogen and commercially obtained reagents were used as received. Reagents **SI-1**, **SI-2a**, **SI-2b**, **SI-3**, **SI-5**, **SI-7**, **SI-9**, **SI-11**, **SI-13**, **SI-16** and **SI-23** were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich. Reagents **SI-14**, **SI-17**, **SI-19**, **SI-21**, **rac-SI-21** and **rac-SI-23** were purchased from Combi-Blocks, Inc. Alcohols **4**, **7** and **SI-28**, **SI-29**, **SI-30**, **SI-32**, **SI-33**, **SI-35**, **SI-36**, **SI-37**, **SI-38** were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich. Alcohols **SI-31** and **SI-34** were purchased from Combi-Blocks, Inc. Benzylamine and LHMDS were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich. EDC and HOBr were purchased from Chem-Impex International. DMAP and Boc<sub>2</sub>O were purchased from Oakwood Products, Inc. Toluene was purified by distillation and taken through five freeze-pump-thaw cycles prior to use. Pivaloyl chloride (**SI-16**) and 1-hexanol (**7**) were distilled over CaH<sub>2</sub> prior to use. HNBnBoc was prepared by known literature conditions.<sup>1</sup> Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub> was obtained from Strem Chemicals. Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>– paraffin capsule samples were obtained from TCI Chemicals (B5417). Terpyridine was obtained from Sigma-Aldrich. Reaction temperatures were controlled using an IKA mag temperature modulator, and unless stated otherwise, reactions were performed at room temperature (approximately 23 °C). Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was conducted with EMD gel 60 F254 pre-coated plates (0.25 mm for analytical chromatography and 0.50 mm for preparative chromatography) and visualized using a combination of UV, anisaldehyde, ceric ammonium molybdate, iodine, vanillin, and potassium permanganate staining techniques. Silicycle Siliaflash P60 (particle size 0.040–0.063 mm) was used for flash column chromatography. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker spectrometers (at 500 MHz) and are reported relative to residual solvent signals. Data for <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra are reported as follows: chemical shift (δ ppm), multiplicity, coupling constant (Hz), and integration. Data for <sup>13</sup>C NMR are reported in terms of chemical shift (at 125 MHz). IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 100 spectrometer and are reported in terms of frequency absorption (cm<sup>-1</sup>). High-resolution mass spectra were obtained on Thermo Scientific™ Exactive Mass Spectrometer with DART ID-CUBE, Waters GST premier, and Waters LCT premier. Optical rotations were measured with a Rudolf Autopol III Automatic Polarimeter. Determination of enantiopurity was carried out on an Agilent 1260 HPLC (high performance liquid chromatography) and a Mettler Toledo SFC (supercritical fluid chromatography) using a Daicel ChiralPak OD-H columns and Daicel ChiralPak IA-H.

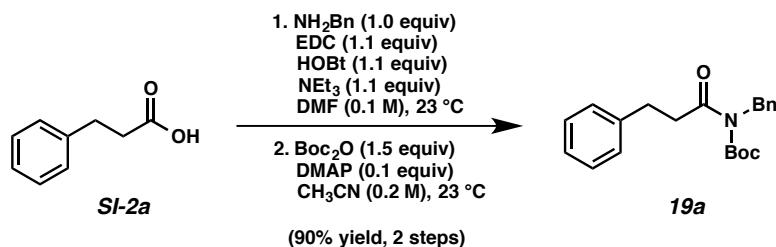
## Experimental Procedure

### A. Syntheses of Starting Materials



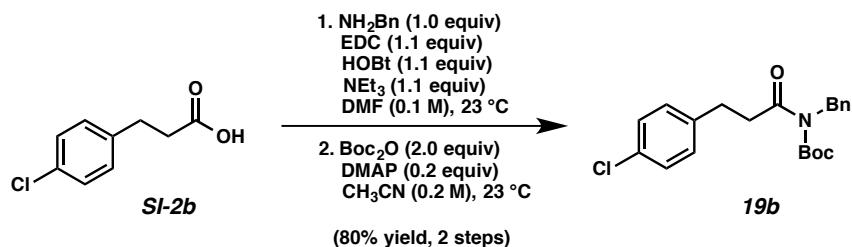
**Amide 3.** To a solution of acid chloride **SI-1** (2.0 g, 13.64 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and triethylamine (2.40 mL, 17.05 mmol, 1.25 equiv) in dichloromethane (20 mL) was added a solution of benzylamine (1.64 mL, 15.0 mmol, 1.1 equiv) in dichloromethane (7 mL, 0.5 M). The reaction mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 1 h, diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (30 mL), and then washed successively with 1.0 M HCl (25 mL) and brine (25 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude solid material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (84.3 mg, 0.69 mmol, 0.1 equiv), followed by acetonitrile (35 mL, 0.2 M). Boc<sub>2</sub>O (2.26 g, 10.35 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added in one portion. The reaction vessel was flushed with N<sub>2</sub>, and then the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 12 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (50 mL), and then washed with 1.0 M HCl (20 mL) and brine (20 mL). The organics were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield amide **3** (1.91 g, 87% yield, over two steps) as a white solid. Amide **3**: mp: 45.2–47.1 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.50 (10:1 Hexanes:EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.30–7.20 (m, 5H), 4.88 (s, 2H), 3.43 (tt, J = 11.4, 3.2, 1H), 1.90–1.87 (m, 2H), 1.80–1.76 (m, 2H), 1.70–1.66 (m, 1H), 1.51–1.43 (m, 1H), 1.47 (s, 9H), 1.37–1.18 (m, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 179.8, 153.3, 138.7, 128.4, 127.6, 127.1, 83.1, 47.8, 44.9, 30.0, 28.0, 26.1, 25.9; IR (film): 2925, 2857, 1732, 1697, 1460, 1216 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>Na 340.1889; found 340.1881.



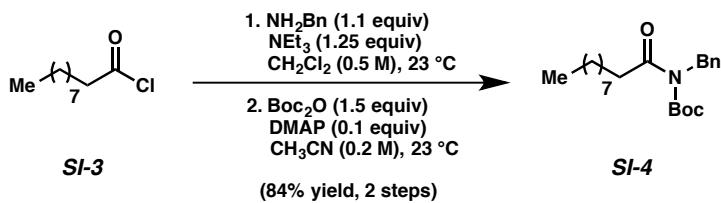
**Amide 19a.** To a mixture of carboxylic acid **SI-2a** (10.50 g, 70.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), EDC (14.80 g, 77.0 mmol, 1.1 equiv), HOBr (10.4 g, 77.0 mmol, 1.1 equiv), triethylamine (10.7 mL, 77.0 mmol, 1.1 equiv), and DMF (700 mL, 0.1 M) was added benzylamine (8.24 g, 77.0 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 12 h, and then diluted with deionized water (500 mL) and EtOAc (500 mL). The layers were separated and the organic layer was washed successively with 1.0 M HCl (300 mL), saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (300 mL), and brine (300 mL). The organics were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude solid material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (0.86 g, 7.0 mmol, 0.1 equiv) followed by acetonitrile (350 mL, 0.2 M). Boc<sub>2</sub>O (22.92 g, 105.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added in one portion and the reaction vessel was flushed with N<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 12 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (50 mL) and then washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (2 X 100 mL) and brine (100 mL). The organics were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield amide **19a** (21.50 g, 90% yield, over two steps) as a white solid. Amide **19a**: mp: 65.3–67.1 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.60 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.31–7.27 (m, 4H), 7.25–7.18 (m, 6H), 4.89 (s, 2H), 3.28 (t, J = 7.7, 2H), 3.03 (t, J = 7.7, 2H), 1.39 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 175.5, 153.2, 141.3, 138.4, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 127.6, 127.2, 126.1, 83.3, 47.5, 40.1, 31.3, 28.0; IR (film): 3032, 2979, 1731, 1693, 1373, 1210 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>Na 362.1732; found 362.1739.



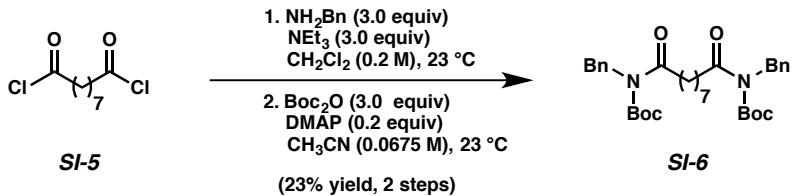
**Amide 19b.** To a mixture of carboxylic acid **SI-2b** (1.0 g, 5.42 mmol, 1.0 equiv), EDC (1.14 g, 5.96 mmol, 1.1 equiv), HOBr (805 mg, 5.96 mmol, 1.1 equiv), triethylamine (0.83 mL, 5.96 mmol, 1.1 equiv), and DMF (54 mL, 0.1 M) was added benzylamine (861 mL, 5.96 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 12 h, and then diluted with deionized water (50 mL) and EtOAc (50 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 X 50 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with deionized water (3 X 100 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (132 mg, 1.08 mmol, 0.2 equiv), followed by acetonitrile (27 mL, 0.2 M). Boc<sub>2</sub>O (2.4 g, 10.8 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was added in one portion and the reaction vessel was flushed with N<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 15 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (50 mL). The mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel with EtOAc (75 mL) and H<sub>2</sub>O (50 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 X 75 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (19:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield amide **19b** (1.6 g, 80% yield, over two steps) as a clear oil. Amide **19b**: R<sub>f</sub> 0.59 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.32–7.26 (m, 2H), 7.26–7.18 (m, 5H), 7.18–7.12 (m, 2H), 4.87 (s, 2H), 3.22 (app t, 2H), 2.96 (app t, 2H), 1.39 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 175.2, 153.2, 139.8, 138.3, 131.9, 130.1, 128.6, 128.4, 127.6, 127.3, 83.5, 47.5, 40.0, 30.7, 28.0; IR (film): 3034, 2977, 2929, 1731, 1696, 1368 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS-ESI (*m/z*) [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>24</sub>ClNO<sub>3</sub> 374.15230; found 374.14960.



**Amide SI-4.** To a solution of acid chloride **SI-3** (2.0 g, 10.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv), triethylamine (1.82 mL, 13.13 mmol, 1.25 equiv), and dichloromethane (16 mL), was added a solution of benzylamine (1.26 mL, 11.55 mmol, 1.1 equiv) in dichloromethane (5 mL, 0.5 M). The reaction mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 1 h, diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (30 mL), and then washed successively with 1.0 M HCl (25 mL) and brine (25 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude solid material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

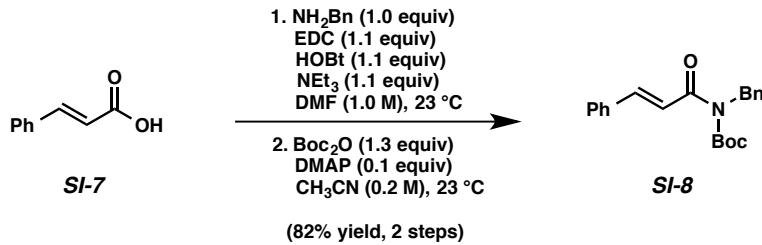
To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (69.6 mg, 0.57 mmol, 0.1 equiv) followed by acetonitrile (28.5 mL, 0.2 M). Boc<sub>2</sub>O (1.87 g, 8.6 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added in one portion and the reaction vessel was flushed with N<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 12 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (50 mL), and then washed with 1.0 M HCl (20 mL) and brine (20 mL). The organics were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield amide **SI-4** (1.76 g, 84% yield, over two steps) as a clear oil. Amide **SI-4**: R<sub>f</sub> 0.48 (10:1 Hexanes:EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.30–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.25–7.21 (m, 3H), 4.88 (s, 2H), 2.92 (t, J = 7.5, 2H), 1.69–1.63 (m, 2H), 1.41 (s, 9H), 1.34–1.26 (m, 12H), 0.89 (t, J = 7.0, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 176.4, 153.3, 138.6, 128.4, 127.8, 127.2, 83.2, 47.4, 38.5, 32.0, 29.6, 29.4, 29.3, 28.0, 25.4, 22.8, 14.2; IR (film): 2925, 2857, 1732, 1697, 1460, 1216 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>35</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>Na 384.2515; found 384.2516.



**Amide SI-6.** To a solution of acid chloride **SI-5** (2.0 g, 8.9 mmol, 1.0 equiv), triethylamine (3.72 mL, 26.7 mmol, 3.0 equiv), and dichloromethane (80 mL), was added a solution of benzylamine

(2.92 mL, 26.7 mmol, 3.0 equiv) in dichloromethane (10 mL, 0.1 M). The reaction mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 4 h and then filtered over celite. The pad was eluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (40 mL). The collected organics were washed successively with 1.0 M HCl (25 mL) and brine (25 mL). The organics were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude solid material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

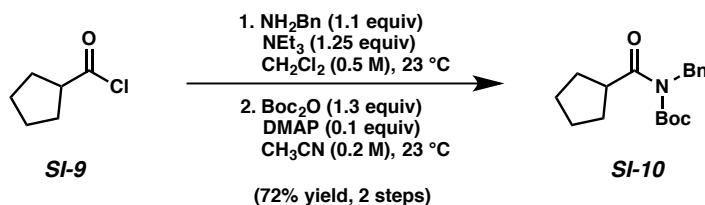
To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (108.7 mg, 0.89 mmol, 0.1 equiv), followed by acetonitrile (44 mL, 0.2 M). Boc<sub>2</sub>O (5.83 g, 26.7 mmol, 3.0 equiv) was added in one portion and the reaction vessel was flushed with N<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 12 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (50 mL) and then washed with deionized water (3 X 50 mL). The organics were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (20:1 → 10:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield amide **SI-6** as a white solid (1.16 g, 23% yield, over two steps). Amide **SI-6**: mp: 67.0–69.2 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.33 (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.30–7.27 (m, 4H), 7.25–7.20 (m, 6H), 4.88 (s, 4H), 2.90 (t, J = 7.6, 4H), 1.66–1.63 (m, 4H), 1.40 (s, 18H), 1.34–1.31 (m, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 176.4, 153.3, 138.6, 128.4, 127.7, 127.2, 83.2, 47.4, 38.4, 29.4, 29.3, 28.0, 25.3; IR (film): 3703, 3668, 2977, 2862, 1732, 1695, 1458 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>46</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub>Na 589.3254; found 589.3254.



**Amide SI-8.** To a mixture of carboxylic acid **SI-7** (3.0 g, 20.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv), EDC (3.5 g, 22.3 mmol, 1.1 equiv), HOBr (3.4 g, 22.3 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and triethylamine (3.1 mL, 22.3 mmol, 1.1 equiv) in DMF (202 mL, 1.0 M) was added benzylamine (2.4 mL, 22.3 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 17 h, and then diluted with deionized water (100 mL). The mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel with EtOAc (100 mL) and brine (100 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 X 100 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with deionized water (3 X 100 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and

concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

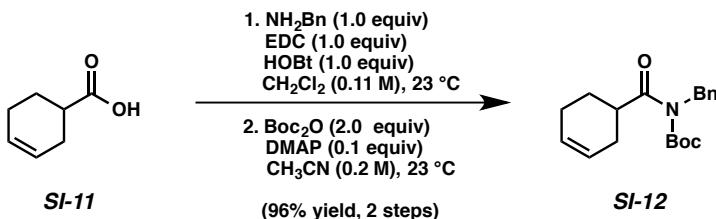
To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (239 mg, 1.96 mmol, 0.1 equiv), followed by acetonitrile (98 mL, 0.2 M).  $\text{Boc}_2\text{O}$  (5.6 g, 25.5 mmol, 1.3 equiv) was added in one portion and the reaction vessel was flushed with  $\text{N}_2$ . The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 19 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  (75 mL). The mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel with EtOAc (100 mL) and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (50 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 X 100 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , filtered and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (25:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield amide **SI-8** (4.2 g, 82% yield, over two steps) as a white solid. Amide **SI-8**: mp: 89.1–92.9 °C;  $R_f$  0.46 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.78–7.71 (m, 1H), 7.60–7.55 (m, 2H), 7.55–7.49 (m, 1H), 7.41–7.34 (m, 3H), 7.33–7.28 (m, 4H), 7.26–7.21 (m, 1H), 4.97 (s, 2H), 1.43 (s, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  169.0, 153.4, 143.7, 138.5, 135.3, 130.1, 128.9, 128.5, 128.3, 127.7, 127.3, 121.4, 83.5, 48.0, 28.1; IR (film): 2980, 2935, 1722, 1667, 1615, 1348  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS-ESI ( $m/z$ ) [M + H] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_3$  338.1756; found 338.1738.



**Amide SI-10.** To a solution of acid chloride **SI-9** (2.0 g, 15.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and triethylamine (2.61 mL, 18.9 mmol, 1.25 equiv) in dichloromethane (15.1 mL), was added a solution of benzylamine (1.81 mL, 16.6 mmol, 1.1 equiv) in dichloromethane (15.1 mL, 0.5 M). The reaction mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 15 h. The mixture was diluted with EtOAc (50 mL), and then washed successively with 1.0 M HCl (50 mL) and brine (50 mL). The organic layer was dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (184.0 mg, 1.51 mmol, 0.1 equiv) followed by acetonitrile (76.0 mL, 0.2 M).  $\text{Boc}_2\text{O}$  (4.3 g, 19.6 mmol,

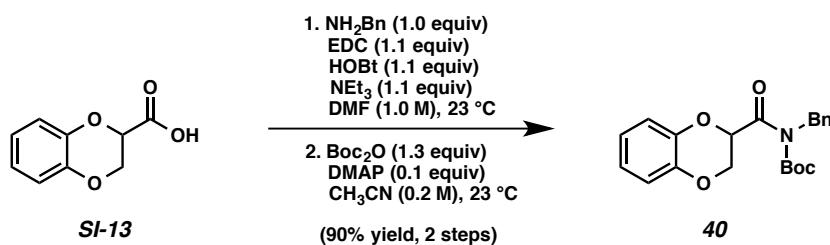
1.3 equiv) was added in one portion and the reaction vessel was flushed with N<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (30 mL), and then transferred to a separatory funnel with EtOAc (50 mL) and H<sub>2</sub>O (50 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 X 50 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield amide **SI-10** (1.97 g, 72% yield, over two steps) as a clear oil. Amide **SI-10**: R<sub>f</sub> 0.59 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.32–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.25–7.20 (m, 3H), 4.88 (s, 2H), 3.83–3.72 (m, 1H), 2.01–1.88 (m, 2H), 1.87–1.77 (m, 2H), 1.77–1.66 (m, 2H), 1.64–1.53 (m, 2H), 1.40 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 179.9, 153.3, 138.7, 128.4, 127.5, 127.1, 83.1, 47.8, 45.7, 31.0, 28.0, 26.1; IR (film): 2955, 2867, 1730, 1687, 1453, 1213 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS-ESI (*m/z*) [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>, 304.1913; found 304.1895.



**Amide SI-12.** To a mixture of carboxylic acid **SI-11** (1.0 g, 7.9 mmol, 1.0 equiv), EDC (1.50 g, 7.9 mmol, 1.0 equiv), HOBT (1.1 g, 7.9 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (79 mL, 0.1 M) was added benzylamine (0.86 mL, 7.9 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 16 h, and then diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (30 mL). The mixture was washed with 1M HCl (30 mL), saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (30 mL), and brine (30 mL). The organics were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (56.7 mg, 0.46 mmol, 0.1 equiv), followed by acetonitrile (23 mL, 0.2 M). Boc<sub>2</sub>O (2.03 g, 9.28 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was added in one portion and the reaction vessel was flushed with N<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 12 h. The mixture was washed with 1.0 M HCl (5 mL) and brine (5 mL). After drying over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and the organics were concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (10:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield **SI-12** (1.40 g, 96% yield, over two steps) as a clear oil. Amide **SI-12**:

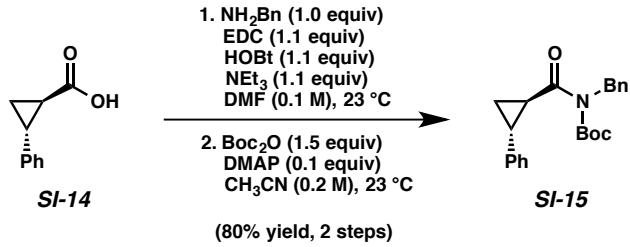
$R_f$  0.69 (5:1 Hexanes: EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.31–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.21 (m, 3H), 5.73–5.67 (m, 2H), 4.88 (d,  $J$  = 2.9, 2H), 3.66–3.60 (m, 1H), 2.32–2.23 (m, 2H), 2.14–2.10 (m, 2H), 1.98–1.94 (m, 1H), 1.75–1.67 (m, 1H), 1.40 (br s, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  179.6, 153.2, 138.6, 128.4, 127.6, 127.2, 126.7, 125.7, 83.3, 47.8, 41.1, 28.6, 28.0, 26.3, 25.1; IR (film): 3030, 2980, 1730, 1690, 1438, 1368; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>Na 338.1732; found 338.1725.



**Amide 40.** To a mixture of carboxylic acid **SI-13** (2.0 g, 11.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv), EDC (1.89 g, 12.2 mmol, 1.1 equiv), HOBr (1.87 g, 12.2 mmol, 1.1 equiv), and triethylamine (1.7 mL, 22.3 mmol, 1.1 equiv) in DMF (202 mL, 1.0 M) was added benzylamine (2.4 mL, 12.2 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 18 h, and then diluted with deionized water (100 mL). The mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel with EtOAc (75 mL) and brine (50 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 X 75 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with deionized water (3 X 75 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (92 mg, 0.78 mmol, 0.1 equiv) followed by acetonitrile (39 mL, 0.2 M). Boc<sub>2</sub>O (2.2 g, 10.1 mmol, 1.3 equiv) was added in one portion and the reaction vessel was flushed with N<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 17 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (75 mL), and then transferred to a separatory funnel with EtOAc (100 mL) and H<sub>2</sub>O (50 mL). The layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 X 100 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (29:1 → 15:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield amide **40** (2.3 g, 90% yield, over two steps) as a white solid. Amide **40**: mp: 76.5–78.5 °C;  $R_f$  0.57 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR

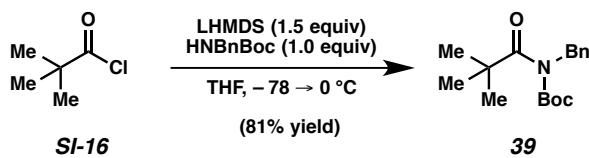
(500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.33–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.26–7.20 (m, 3H), 7.00–6.94 (m, 1H), 6.92–6.81 (m, 3H), 5.81–5.76 (m, 1H), 4.96–4.80 (m, 2H), 4.50–4.39 (m, 2H), 1.43 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 170.9, 152.9, 143.4, 143.3, 137.5, 128.6, 127.8, 127.5, 122.2, 121.6, 117.2, 117.15, 84.6, 73.9, 65.2, 48.1, 28.0; IR (film): 2980, 2932, 1730, 1710, 1595, 1493 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS-ESI (*m/z*) [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NO<sub>5</sub> 370.1654; found 370.1591.



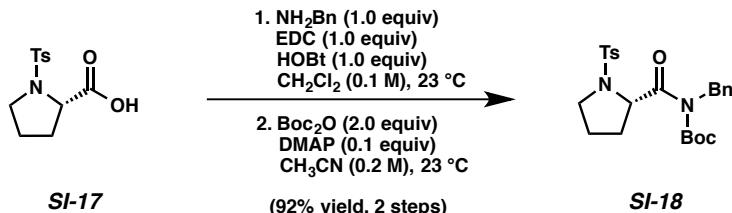
**Amide SI-15:** To a mixture of carboxylic acid **SI-14** (1.0 g, 6.17 mmol, 1.0 equiv), EDC (1.30 g, 6.79 mmol, 1.1 equiv), HOBr (917 mg, 6.79 mmol, 1.1 equiv), triethylamine (0.94 mL, 6.79 mmol, 1.1 equiv), and DMF (61.7 mL, 0.1 M) was added benzylamine (0.74 mL, 6.79 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 12 h, and then diluted with deionized water (50 mL). The mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel with EtOAc (50 mL) and brine (50 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 X 50 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with deionized water (3 X 50 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude solid material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (75 mg, 0.62 mmol, 0.1 equiv) followed by acetonitrile (31 mL, 0.2 M). Boc<sub>2</sub>O (1.75 g, 8.02 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added in one portion and the reaction vessel was flushed with N<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 12 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (50 mL) and then washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (2 X 50 mL) and brine (50 mL). The organics were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (29:1 → 20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield amide **SI-15** (1.29 g, 80% yield, over two steps) as a clear oil. Amide **SI-15**: R<sub>f</sub> 0.50 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.33–7.26 (m, 5H), 7.26–7.11 (m, 5H), 4.98–4.79 (m, 2H), 3.20–3.11 (m, 1H), 2.71–2.64 (m, 1H), 1.77–1.69 (m, 1H), 1.46–1.40 (m, 1H), 1.35 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 175.8, 153.6, 140.8, 138.5, 128.6, 128.5, 127.6,

127.2, 126.5, 83.5, 48.2, 28.4, 28.0, 26.9, 19.4; IR (film): 3035, 2977, 1730, 1677, 1373, 1149 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS-ESI (*m/z*) [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, 352.1913; found 352.1897; [α]<sup>26.5</sup><sub>D</sub> 0.00 ° (c = 1.00, CHCl<sub>3</sub>).



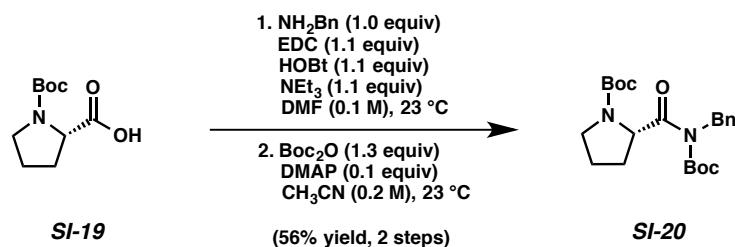
**Amide 39:** A solution of HNBnBoc (860 mg, 4.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (4.2 mL, 1.0 M) was cooled to -78 °C. To this mixture, a solution of LHMDS (1.0 g, 6.2 mmol, 1.5 equiv) in THF (4.2 mL, 1.0 M) was added dropwise (500 μL/min) and left to stir at -78 °C for 1 h. Acid chloride **SI-16** (0.355 mL, 4.15 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added dropwise (500 μL/min) and left to stir for 1 h. The reaction was warmed to 0 °C and left to stir for 1 h. The reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (10 mL). The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 X 15 mL). The organics were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (25:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield **39** (0.98 g, 81% yield) as a white solid. Amide **39**: mp: 48.3–48.8 °C; R<sub>f</sub> 0.35 (5:1 Hexanes: EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.33–7.26 (m, 4H), 7.26–7.20 (m, 1 H), 4.71 (s, 2H), 1.39 (s, 9H), 1.27 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 185.9, 154.0, 138.5, 128.5, 128.1, 127.4, 82.7, 50.7, 43.5, 28.2, 28.0; IR (film): 2969, 2874, 1733, 1691, 1366, 1148 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS-ESI (*m/z*) [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> 292.19127; found 292.19127.



**Amide SI-18.** To a mixture of carboxylic acid **SI-17** (0.50 g, 1.86 mmol, 1.0 equiv), EDC (0.36 g, 1.86 mmol, 1.0 equiv), HOBT (0.25 g, 1.86 mmol, 1.0 equiv), and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (19 mL, 0.1 M) was added benzylamine (0.20 mL, 1.86 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 16 h, and then diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (30 mL). The mixture was washed with deionized water

(2 X 20 mL). The organics were dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , filtered and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (15.9 mg, 0.13 mmol, 0.1 equiv), followed by acetonitrile (6.5 mL, 0.2 M).  $\text{Boc}_2\text{O}$  (0.57 g, 2.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was added in one portion and the reaction vessel was flushed with  $\text{N}_2$ . The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 12 h. The mixture was washed with 1.0 M HCl (5 mL) and brine (5 mL). After drying over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (5:1 → 3:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield **SI-18** (0.55 g, 92% yield, over two steps) as a white solid. Amide **SI-18**: mp: 106.6–107.8 °C;  $R_f$  0.29 (5:1 Hexanes: EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.7 (d,  $J$  = 8.1, 2H), 7.32–7.28 (m, 3H), 7.25–7.22 (m, 3H), 5.49 (dd,  $J$  = 5.8, 3.0, 1H), 4.99 (d,  $J$  = 15, 1H), 4.79 (d,  $J$  = 14.8, 1H), 3.54–3.49 (m, 1H), 3.38–3.34 (m, 1H), 2.41 (br s, 3H), 2.24–2.15 (m, 1H), 1.99–1.90 (m, 2H), 1.79–1.73 (m, 1H), 1.41 (s, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  175.4, 153.0, 143.4, 138.1, 135.9, 129.7, 128.5, 127.6, 127.5, 127.3, 83.9, 62.5, 48.6, 47.9, 31.7, 27.9, 24.4, 21.7; IR (film): 2977, 2932, 1732, 1692, 1453, 1369  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{O}_5\text{SNa}$  481.1773; found 481.1750;  $[\alpha]^{23.5}_{\text{D}} -1042.0^\circ$  ( $c$  = 1.00,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ).

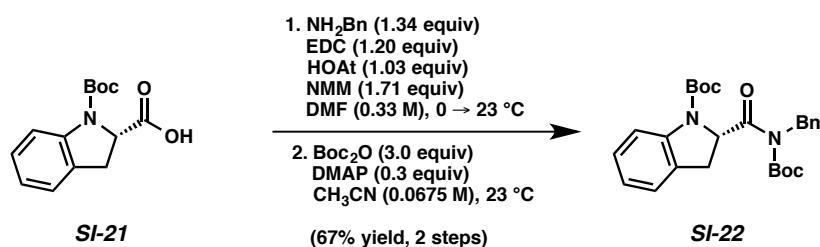


**Amide SI-20.** To a mixture of carboxylic acid **SI-19** (2.0 g, 9.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv), EDC (1.96 g, 10.23 mmol, 1.1 equiv), HOBT (1.30 g, 10.23 mmol, 1.1 equiv), triethylamine (1.4 mL, 10.23 mmol, 1.1 equiv), and DMF (93 mL, 0.1 M) was added benzylamine (1.12 mL, 10.23 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 16 h, and then diluted with deionized water (50 mL) and EtOAc (30 mL). The mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel with EtOAc (50 mL) and brine (50 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 X 100 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with deionized water (3 X 50 mL), dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ ,

filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (113 mg, 0.93 mmol, 0.1 equiv), followed by acetonitrile (46.5 mL, 0.2 M). Boc<sub>2</sub>O (2.64 g, 12.09 mmol, 1.3 equiv) was added in one portion and the reaction vessel was flushed with N<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 16 h and then quenched by addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (10 mL). The mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel with EtOAc (30 mL) and deionized water (30 mL). The layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 X 50 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (10:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield **SI-20** (1.68 g, 56% yield, over two steps) as a white solid. Amide **SI-20**: mp: 81.1–81.8 °C, R<sub>f</sub> 0.34 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.32–7.26 (m, 3H), 7.25–7.18 (m, 2H), 5.31–5.2 (m, 1H), 5.09–4.70 (m, 2H), 3.68–3.55 (m, 1H), 3.53–3.39 (m, 1H), 2.41–2.28 (m, 1H), 2.03–1.80 (m, 3H), 1.50–1.30 (m, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 176.3, 176.1, 154.5, 153.7, 152.9, 152.7, 138.3, 138.0, 128.3, 128.3, 127.8, 127.4, 127.3, 127.3, 126.9, 83.6, 83.4, 79.4, 79.3, 61.2, 60.9, 47.6, 47.6, 47.0, 46.7, 31.3, 30.6, 28.5, 28.3, 27.9, 27.9, 23.7, 23.1; IR (film): 2977, 2973, 1729, 1697, 1393, 1146 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS-ESI (m/z) HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>Na 427.2209; found 427.2195; [α]<sup>19.7</sup><sub>D</sub> +54.0 ° (c = 1.00, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>).

*Note: Amide **SI-20** was obtained as a mixture of rotamers. These data represent empirically observed chemical shifts and coupling constants from the <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra.*

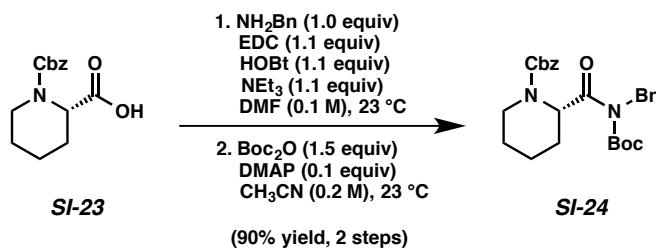


**Amide SI-22.** To a mixture of carboxylic acid **SI-21** (0.95 g, 3.6 mmol, 1.0 equiv), EDC (0.83 g, 4.32 mmol, 1.20 equiv), HOAt (0.50 g, 3.71 mmol, 1.03 equiv), and DMF (11 mL, 0.33 M) was added benzylamine (0.53 mL, 4.82 mmol, 1.34 equiv) and 4-methylmorpholine (NMM, 0.68 mL, 6.16 mmol, 1.71 equiv) at 0 °C. The resulting mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min and then at 23 °C for 16 h. The orange mixture was then diluted with deionized water (15 mL) and EtOAc

(30 mL). The layers were separated. The organic layer was washed with 1 M HCl (20 mL), saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (20 mL), and brine (20 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (132 mg, 1.08 mmol, 0.3 equiv), followed by acetonitrile (53 mL, 0.07 M). Boc<sub>2</sub>O (2.40 g, 10.8 mmol, 3.0 equiv) was added in one portion and the reaction vessel was flushed with N<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 16 h and then quenched by addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (10 mL). The mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel with EtOAc (50 mL) and deionized water (30 mL). The layers were separated. The organic layer was washed with 1 M HCl (30 mL), saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (30 mL), and brine (30 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (10:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield **SI-22** (1.09 g, 67% yield, over two steps) as a (viscous) colourless oil. Amide **SI-22**: R<sub>f</sub> 0.33 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.93–7.52 (m, 1H), 7.30–7.15 (m, 6H), 7.10 (d, J = 7.3, 1H), 6.94–6.91 (m, 1H), 5.86–5.79 (m, 1H), 5.04–4.95 (m, 1H), 4.82–4.77 (m 1H), 3.70–3.62 (m, 1H), 3.06 (tt, J = 16.7, 3.8, 1H), 1.62–1.47 (m, 9H), 1.41–1.39 (m, 9H), <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 174.4, 174.2, 152.9, 152.8, 151.7, 143.4, 142.5, 138.2, 137.9, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 128.18, 127.9, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 127.2, 124.8, 124.4, 122.4, 122.3, 114.6, 84.1, 83.7, 82.1, 80.8, 76.9, 62.7, 62.5, 47.7, 47.66, 33.8, 33.2, 28.6, 28.2, 28.0, 27.8; IR (film): 2980, 2935, 1730, 1712, 1608, 1485, 1396, 1363, 1318, 1253, 1213, 1146; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>Na 475.2209; found 475.2209; [α]<sup>21.7</sup><sub>D</sub>–150.0 ° (c = 1.00, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>).

*Note: Amide **SI-22** was obtained as a mixture of rotamers. These data represent empirically observed chemical shifts and coupling constants from the <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra.*



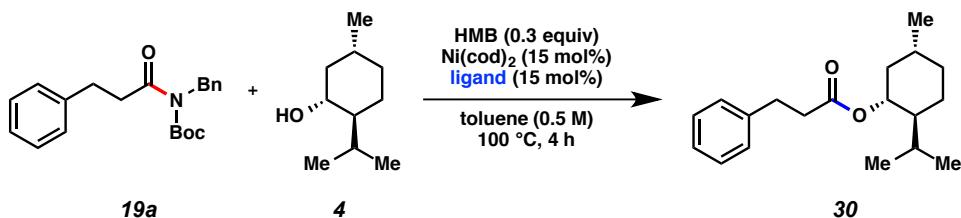
Amide **SI-24**: To a mixture of carboxylic acid **SI-23** (750 mg, 2.85 mmol, 1.0 equiv), EDC (600 mg, 3.13 mmol, 1.1 equiv), HOBT (422 mg, 3.13 mmol, 1.1 equiv), triethylamine (0.43 mL, 3.13

mmol, 1.1 equiv), and DMF (31 mL, 0.1 M) was added benzylamine (0.34 mL, 3.13 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 12 h, and then diluted with deionized water (50 mL) and EtOAc (50 mL). The layers were separated and the organic layer was washed successively with 1.0 M HCl (50 mL), saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (50 mL), and brine (50 mL). The organics were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (122 mg, 1.0 mmol, 0.1 equiv) followed by acetonitrile (53 mL, 0.2 M). Boc<sub>2</sub>O (3.0 g, 13.78 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added in one portion and the reaction vessel was flushed with N<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 12 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (50 mL) and then washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (2 X 50 mL) and brine (50 mL). The organics were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (5:1 Benzene:Hexanes → 1:1 Benzene:EtOAc) to yield amide **SI-24** (1.4 g, 90% yield, over two steps) as a off white solid. Amide **SI-24**: R<sub>f</sub> 0.35 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.40–7.26 (m, 5H), 7.26–7.12 (m, 5H), 5.95 (app d, 1H), 5.21–5.05 (m, 2H), 5.0–4.76 (m, 2H), 4.13–3.95 (m, 1H), 3.52–3.33 (m, 1H), 2.09–1.91 (m, 1H), 1.89–1.57 (m, 3H), 1.49–1.29 (m, 10H), 1.28–1.12 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 176.1, 176.0, 157.1, 156.4, 152.6, 152.6, 138.3, 138.1, 136.9, 136.8, 128.6, 128.50, 128.46, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 127.3, 127.2, 83.8, 67.32, 67.26, 55.6, 55.4, 47.83, 47.75, 42.3, 42.2, 28.0, 27.9, 27.22, 27.17, 24.9, 24.7, 19.78, 19.65; IR (film): 2975, 2942, 1732, 1705, 1348, 1146 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS-ESI (*m/z*) [M + H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>33</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, 453.2390; found 453.23710; [α]<sup>23.1</sup><sub>D</sub> +4.40 ° (c = 1.00, CHCl<sub>3</sub>).

## B. Reaction Discovery

*Representative procedure for pyridine-type ligand screening  
(coupling of amide **19a** and (–)-menthol (**4**) is used as an example).*



**Ester 30.** A 1-dram vial containing amide **19a** (50.0 mg, 0.15 mmol, 1.0 equiv), hexamethylbenzene (HMB) (7.3 mg, 0.045 mmol, 0.3 equiv), and a magnetic stir bar was charged with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub> (6.2 mg, 0.0225 mmol, 15 mol%) and ligand (0.0225 mmol, 15 mol%) in a glove box. Subsequently, toluene (0.15 mL, 1.0 M) and then (–)-menthol (**4**) (29.3 mg, 0.19 mmol, 1.2 equiv) were added. The vial was sealed with a Teflon-lined screw cap, removed from the glove box, and stirred at 100 °C for 4 h. After cooling to 23 °C, the mixture was diluted with hexanes (0.5 mL) and filtered over a plug of silica gel (10 mL of EtOAc eluent). The volatiles were evaporated under reduced pressure, and the yield was determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis with hexamethylbenzene as an internal standard.

The representative procedure shown above depicts all of the results shown in Tables S1–S3.

**Table S1.** Evaluation of Pyridine-Type Ligands.<sup>a</sup>

Entry	Ligand	Yield of 30	Entry	Ligand	Yield of 30
1		0%	6		0%
2		0%	7		0%
3		0%	8		37%
4		23%	9		60%
5		0%	10		17%

<sup>a</sup> Yields were determined using <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis with hexamethylbenzene as an internal standard.

### C. Survey of Amide Substrates

Compounds *SI-25*,<sup>2</sup> *SI-26*<sup>3</sup> and *SI-27*<sup>4</sup> were prepared by known literature procedure.

**Table S2.** Survey of Amide Substrates Under the Optimized Reaction Conditions.<sup>a</sup>

Entry	$\text{N}^{\ddagger}\text{R}^1$ $\text{R}^2$	Yield of 30	Remainder of the mass	
1	$\text{N}^{\ddagger}\text{Me}$ Me <b>SI-25</b>	0% yield	<b>SI-25; 100%</b>	
2	$\text{N}^{\ddagger}\text{Ph}$ Me <b>SI-26</b>	0% yield	<b>SI-26; 100%</b>	
3	$\text{N}^{\ddagger}\text{Ts}$ Me <b>SI-27</b>	13% yield	<b>SI-27; 87%</b>	
4	$\text{N}^{\ddagger}\text{Bn}$ Boc <b>19a</b>	60% yield	<b>19a; 40%</b>	

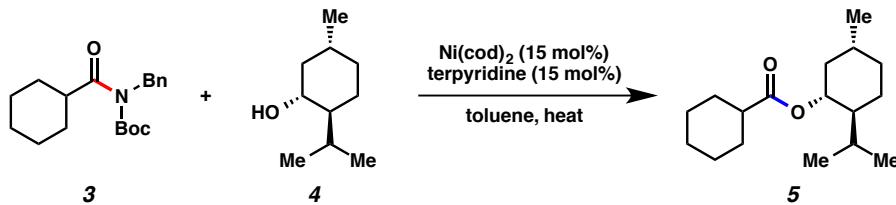
<sup>a</sup> Yields were determined using <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis with hexamethylbenzene as an internal standard.

## D. Optimization of Reaction Conditions and Relevant Control Experiments

**Table S3.** Optimization of Reaction Conditions.<sup>a</sup>

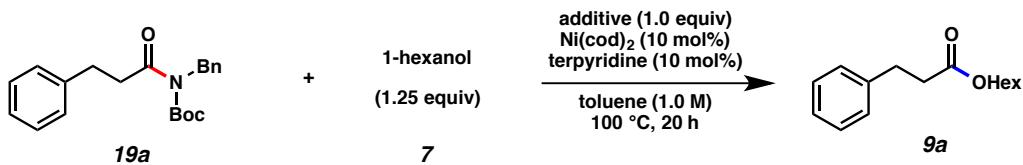
<i>Reaction conditions</i>	<i>Experimental Results</i>	
	<i>5</i>	<i>3</i>
Ni(cod) <sub>2</sub> (15 mol%), terpyridine (15 mol%), menthol (1.2 equiv), toluene (0.5 M), 80 °C, 20 h	24%	76%
Ni(cod) <sub>2</sub> (15 mol%), terpyridine (7.5 mol%), menthol (1.2 equiv), toluene (0.5 M), 80 °C, 20 h	31%	69%
Ni(cod) <sub>2</sub> (15 mol%), terpyridine (30 mol%), menthol (1.2 equiv), toluene (0.5 M), 80 °C, 20 h	31%	69%
Ni(cod) <sub>2</sub> (15 mol%), terpyridine (15 mol%), menthol (2.5 equiv), toluene (0.5 M), 80 °C, 20 h	30%	70%
Ni(cod) <sub>2</sub> (15 mol%), terpyridine (15 mol%), menthol (1.2 equiv), toluene (0.33 M), 80 °C, 20 h	19%	81%
Ni(cod) <sub>2</sub> (15 mol%), terpyridine (15 mol%), menthol (1.2 equiv), toluene (1.0 M), 80 °C, 20 h	35%	65%
Ni(cod) <sub>2</sub> (15 mol%), terpyridine (15 mol%), menthol (1.2 equiv), toluene (1.0 M), 100 °C, 20 h	56%	44%
<b>Control experiments:</b>		
Ni(cod) <sub>2</sub> (15 mol%), menthol (1.2 equiv), toluene (1.0 M), 100 °C, 20 h	0%	100%
Terpyridine (30 mol%), menthol (1.2 equiv), toluene (1.0 M), 100 °C, 20 h	0%	100%
Menthol (1.2 equiv), toluene (1.0 M), 100 °C, 20 h	0%	100%

<sup>a</sup> Yields were determined using <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis with hexamethylbenzene as an internal standard.



### E. Evaluation of Functional Group Compatibility in the Esterification Reaction

In order to provide further insight into functional group tolerance for the esterification reaction, a “robustness screen” was performed.<sup>5</sup> The esterification reaction of **19a** and **7** was performed, but doped with 1.0 equiv of various alkyl and aryl halides and nitriles to determine whether or not these functional groups would be compatible in the coupling reaction.



*Representative Procedure for esterification reactions in the presence of additives from Table S4.*

A 1-dram vial containing amide **19a** (67.9 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and a magnetic stir bar was charged with **Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub>** (5.5 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.10 equiv) and terpyridine (4.7 mg, 0.020 mmol, 0.10 equiv) in a glove box. Subsequently, toluene (0.20 mL, 1.0 M) and then alcohol **7** (31.4 µL, 0.250 mmol, 1.25 equiv) were added. The vial was sealed with a Teflon-lined screw cap, removed from the glove box, and stirred at 100 °C for 20 h. After cooling to 23 °C, the mixture was diluted with hexanes (0.5 mL) and filtered over a plug of silica gel (10 mL of EtOAc eluent). The volatiles were removed under reduced pressure and the yield was determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis with 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as an internal standard. Ester **9a**: R<sub>f</sub> 0.52 (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc). Spectral data match those previously reported.<sup>6</sup>

*Any modifications of the conditions shown in the representative procedure above are specified below in Table S4.*

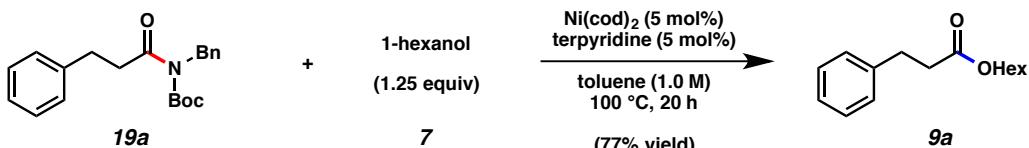
**Table S4.** Evaluation of Functional Group Compatibility in the Esterification Reaction.<sup>a</sup>

Entry	Additive	Yield of 9a (%)	Additive Remaining (%)	19a Remaining (%)
1	None	90	-	10
2		31	95	69
3		87	61	8
4		90	96	14
5		23	35	74
6		23	75	77
7		45	32	55
8		91	90	8
9		0	100	100

<sup>a</sup> Conditions: Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub> (10 mol%), terpyridine (10 mol%), substrate (1.0 equiv), 1-hexanol (1.25 equiv), toluene (1.0 M), and additive (1.0 equiv) at 100 °C for 20 h. Yields of coupled product, remaining additive, and remaining starting material were determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis using 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene as an internal standard.

## F. Scope of Methodology

*Representative Procedure (coupling of 19a and 7 is used as an example).*



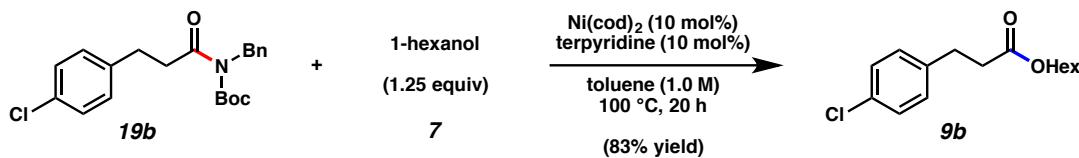
**Ester 9a (Figure 2).** A 1-dram vial containing amide 19a (71.8 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and a magnetic stir bar was charged with Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub> (4.1 mg, 0.015 mmol, 5 mol%) and terpyridine (3.5 mg, 0.015 mmol, 5 mol%) in a glove box. Subsequently, toluene (0.30 mL, 1.0 M) and then alcohol 7 (38.3 µg, 0.38 mmol, 1.25 equiv) were added. The vial was sealed with a Teflon-lined

screw cap, removed from the glove box, and stirred at 100 °C for 20 h. After cooling to 23 °C, the mixture was diluted with hexanes (0.5 mL) and filtered over a plug of silica gel (10 mL of EtOAc eluent). The volatiles were removed under reduced pressure and the crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (50:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **9a** (77% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **9a**:  $R_f$  0.52 (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc). Spectral data match those previously reported.<sup>6</sup>

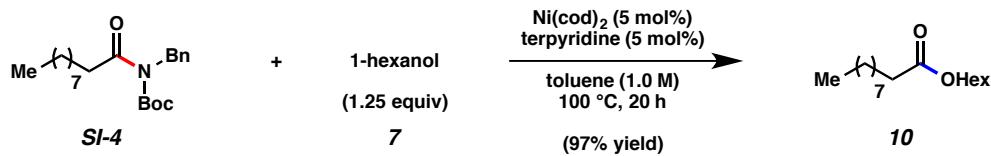
*Any modifications of the conditions shown in the representative procedure above are specified in the following schemes, which depict all of the results shown in Figures 2–4.*

*For each of the nickel-catalyzed reactions described herein, control experiments were performed concurrently where Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub> and both Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub> and terpyridine were omitted from the reactions.*

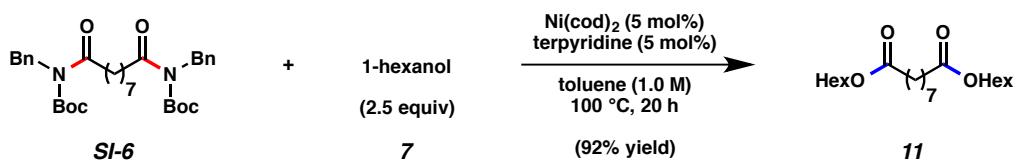
*In all cases, these control experiments led to the recovery of the amide substrates with no detectable conversion to the corresponding esters.*



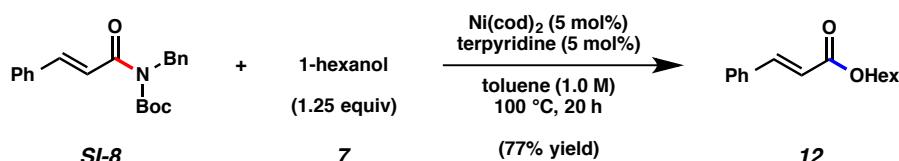
**Ester 9b (Figure 2).** Purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (5:1 → 9:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **9b** (83% yield, yield determined via <sup>1</sup>H NMR internal standard 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene) as a clear oil. Ester **9b**:  $R_f$  0.66 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 7.32–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.19–7.09 (m, 2H), 4.07 (t,  $J = 6.7$ , 2H), 2.93 (app t, 2H), 2.62 (app t), 1.68–1.54 (m, 2H), 1.38–1.23 (m, 6H), 0.96–0.85 (m, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  cm<sup>-1</sup> 172.9, 139.1, 132.1, 129.8, 128.7, 64.9, 35.9, 31.6, 30.5, 28.7, 25.7, 22.7, 14.1; IR (film): 2957, 2930, 2860, 1727, 1493, 1455 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>21</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub> 269.13083; found 269.12854.



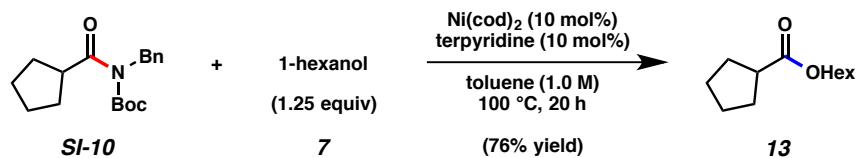
**Ester 10 (Figure 2).** Purification by flash chromatography (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **10** (97% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **10**:  $R_f$  0.47 (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc). Spectral data match those previously reported.<sup>7</sup>



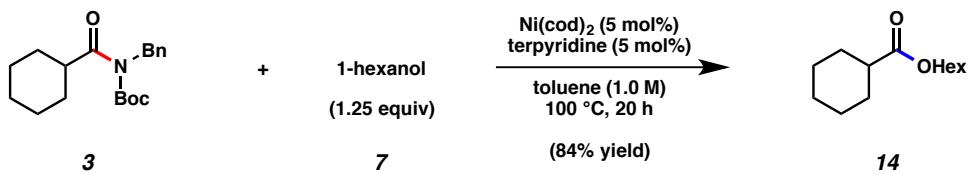
**Ester 11 (Figure 2).** Purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **11** (92% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **11**:  $R_f$  0.48 (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): 4.06 (t,  $J = 6.7$ , 4H), 2.29 (t,  $J = 7.6$ , 4H), 1.62–1.57 (m, 8H), 1.35–1.24 (m, 18H), 0.89 (t,  $J = 6.8$ , 6H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  174.1, 64.6, 34.5, 31.6, 29.1, 29.05, 28.8, 25.7, 25.1, 22.7, 14.1; IR (film): 2952, 2930, 1730, 1465, 1248, 1176, 1156  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS-ESI ( $m/z$ ) [M+Na] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{40}\text{O}_4\text{Na}$  379.2824; found 379.2826.



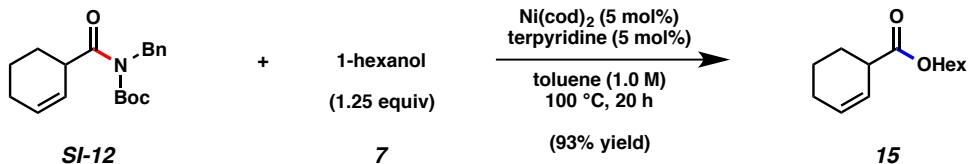
**Ester 12 (Figure 2).** Purification by flash chromatography (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **12** (77% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **12**:  $R_f$  0.58 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc). Spectral data match those previously reported.<sup>8</sup>



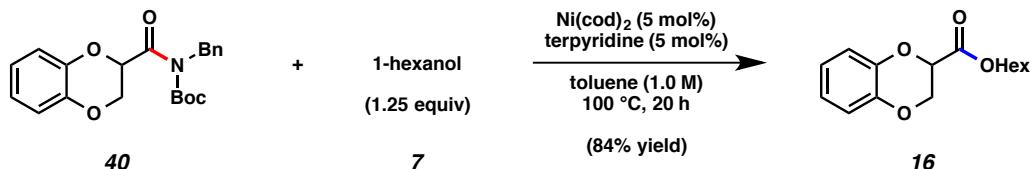
**Ester 13 (Figure 2).** Purification by flash chromatography (29:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **13** (76% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **13**:  $R_f$  0.41 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  4.05 (t,  $J = 6.7$ , 2H), 2.71 (quintet,  $J = 7.9$ , 8.2, 1H), 1.95–1.83 (m, 2H), 1.83–1.74 (m, 2H), 1.74–1.65 (m, 2H), 1.65–1.51 (m, 4H), 1.42–1.22 (m, 6H), 0.95–0.83 (m, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  177.1, 64.6, 44.1, 31.6, 30.2, 28.8, 25.9, 25.7, 22.7, 14.1; IR (film): 2957, 2935, 2870, 1732, 1453  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS-ESI ( $m/z$ ) [M+NH<sub>4</sub>] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_2\text{NH}_4$ , 216.1964; found 216.1958.



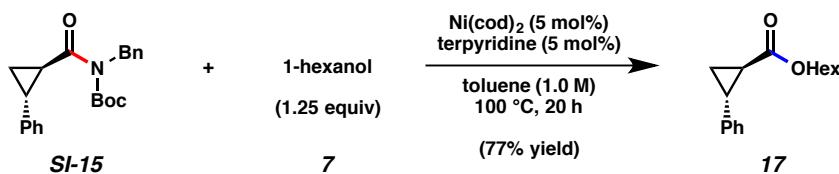
**Ester 14 (Figure 2).** Purification by flash chromatography (50:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **14** (84% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **14**:  $R_f$  0.47 (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc). Spectral data match those previously reported.<sup>9</sup>



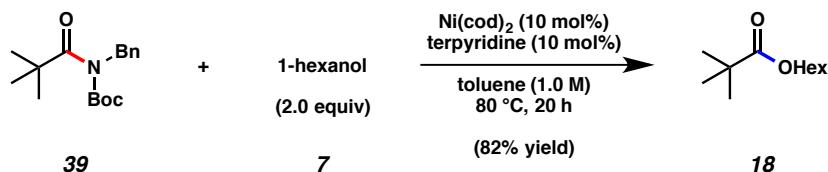
**Ester 15 (Figure 2).** Purification by flash chromatography (40:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **15** (93% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **15**:  $R_f$  0.58 (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 5.67 (s, 2H), 4.08 (t,  $J$  = 6.7, 2H), 2.57–2.51 (m, 1H), 2.25–2.23 (m, 2H), 2.13–1.97 (m, 3H), 1.72–1.58 (m, 3H), 1.36–1.29 (m, 6H), 0.89 (t,  $J$  = 6.9, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 176.1, 126.8, 125.4, 64.6, 39.5, 31.6, 28.7, 27.6, 25.7, 25.2, 24.6, 22.7, 14.1; IR (film): 3027, 2932, 1730, 1690, 1458, 1151 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M-H]<sup>-</sup> calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>21</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 209.1542; found 209.1535.



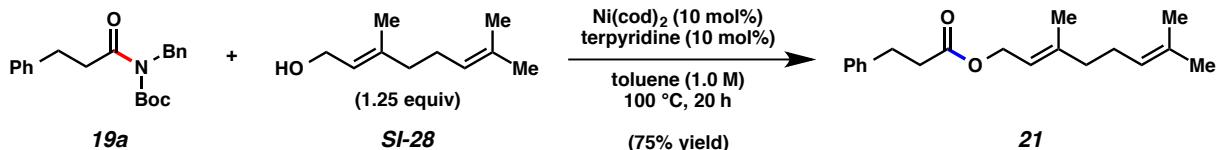
**Ester 16 (Figure 2).** Purification by flash chromatography (50:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **16** (84% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **16**:  $R_f$  0.56 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.02–6.97 (m, 1H), 6.91–6.83 (m, 3H), 4.85–4.81 (m, 1H), 4.44–4.33 (m, 2H), 4.26–4.14 (m, 2H), 1.66–1.57 (m, 2H), 1.33–1.21 (m, 6H), 0.91–0.85 (m, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 168.3, 143.1, 142.5, 122.3, 121.9, 117.5, 117.4, 72.2, 66.2, 65.1, 31.4, 28.6, 25.5, 22.6, 14.1; IR (film): 2957, 2927, 2860, 1760, 1735, 1598 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na, 287.1259; found 287.1248.



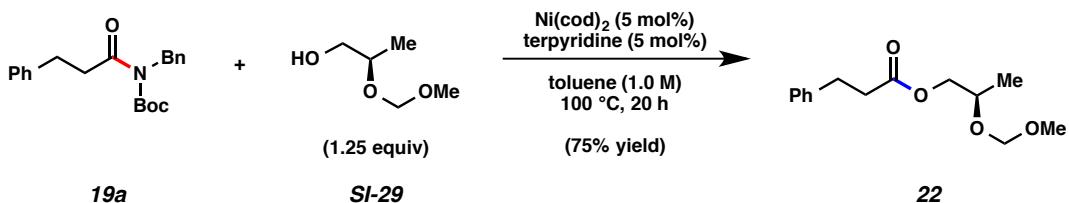
**Ester 17 (Figure 2).** Purification by preparative thin layer chromatography (2 X 8:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **17** (77% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **17**:  $R_f$  0.65 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.32–7.26 (m, 2H), 7.23–7.18 (m, 1H), 7.13–7.07 (m, 2H), 4.11 (t,  $J = 6.8$ , 2H), 2.56–2.48 (m, 1H), 1.94–1.87 (m, 1H), 1.68–1.57 (m, 3H), 1.41–1.26 (m, 7H), 0.95–0.86 (app t, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  173.6, 140.3, 128.6, 126.6, 126.3, 65.1, 31.6, 28.8, 26.3, 25.7, 24.4, 22.7, 17.2, 14.2; IR (film): 2960, 2932, 2860, 1722, 1411, 1173  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS-ESI ( $m/z$ ) [M + H] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_3$ , 261.1907; found 261.14917;  $[\alpha]^{26.5}_D$  0.00  $^\circ$  ( $c = 1.00$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ).



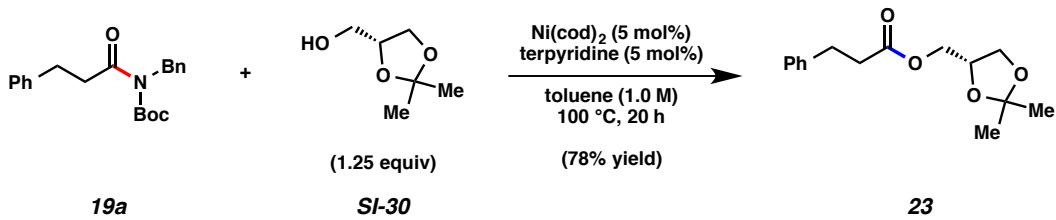
**Ester 18 (Figure 2).** Ester **18**:  $R_f$  0.82 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc). Spectral data of the crude mixture of ester **18** match those previously reported.<sup>10</sup>



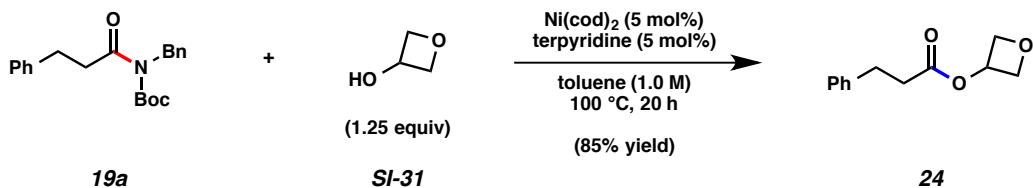
**Ester 21 (Figure 3).** Purification by flash chromatography (40:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **21** (75% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **21**:  $R_f$  0.44 (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.30–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.29–7.18 (m, 3H), 5.33 (td,  $J = 1.2$ , 1H), 5.10 (tt,  $J = 6.9$ , 1.3, 1H), 4.60 (d,  $J = 7.2$ , 2H), 2.97 (apt t,  $J = 8.2$ , 7.6, 2H), 2.64 (t,  $J = 8.1$ , 7.5, 2H), 2.12–2.02 (m, 4H), 1.70–1.69 (m, 6H), 1.60 (br s, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  173.1, 142.4, 140.7, 131.99, 128.6, 128.4, 126.3, 123.9, 118.4, 61.5, 39.7, 36.1, 31.1, 26.4, 25.8, 17.8, 16.6; IR (film): 3068, 3026, 2967, 2857, 1734, 1452, 1379; HRMS-ESI ( $m/z$ ) [M–H] $^-$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{25}\text{O}_2$  285.1855; found 285.1869.



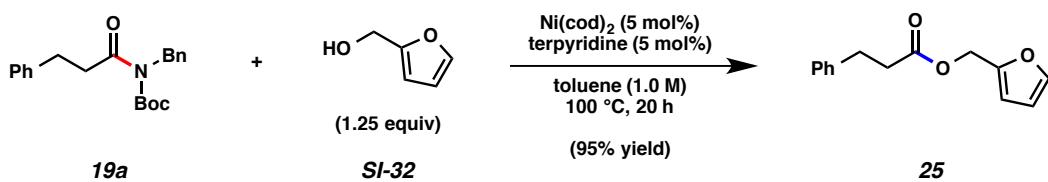
**Ester 22 (Figure 3).** Purification by flash chromatography (20:1 → 10:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **22** (75% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **22**:  $R_f$  0.34 (10:1 Hexanes:EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.32–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.22–7.17 (3H), 4.68 (q, *J* = 6.9, 3.1, 2H), 4.12–4.02 (m, 2H), 3.96–3.86 (m, 1H), 3.36 (br s, 3H), 2.99 (t, *J* = 8.2, 7.4, 2H), 2.69 (apt t, *J* = 8.2, 7.3, 2H), 1.18 (d, *J* = 6.4, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  172.9, 140.6, 128.7, 128.4, 126.4, 95.3, 55.4, 35.9, 31.0, 17.3; IR (film): 3029, 2893, 2852, 1734, 1454, 1377; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na 275.1259; found 275.1263;  $[\alpha]^{24.8}_{\text{D}} -980.0^\circ$  (*c* = 1.00, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>).



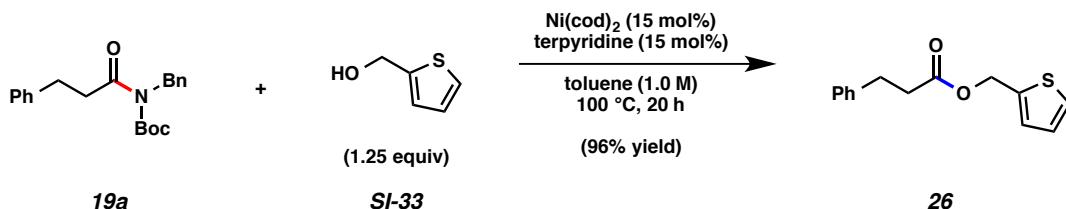
**Ester 23 (Figure 3).** Purification by flash chromatography (10:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **23** (78% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **23**:  $R_f$  0.45 (10:1 Hexanes:EtOAc); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.30–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.22–7.19 (m, 3H), 4.29–4.24 (m, 1H), 4.17 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 4.8, 1H), 4.10 (dd, *J* = 6.0, 5.5, 1H), 4.04 (dd, *J* = 6.4, 2.0, 1H); 3.69 (dd, *J* = 6.2, 2.3, 1H), 2.98 (t, *J* = 7.8, 2H), 2.69 (apt t, *J* = 8.0, 7.6, 2H), 1.42 (br s, 3H), 1.36 (br s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  172.8, 140.4, 128.7, 128.4, 126.5, 109.9, 73.7, 66.4, 64.9, 35.8, 31.0, 26.8, 25.5; IR (film): 3030, 2990, 1740, 1603, 1208, 1154; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na 287.1259; found 275.1252;  $[\alpha]^{25.0}_{\text{D}} -990.0^\circ$  (*c* = 1.00, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>).



**Ester 24 (Figure 3).** Purification by flash chromatography (20:1 → 10:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **24** (85% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **24**:  $R_f$  0.26 (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.31–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.23–7.19 (m, 3H), 5.43–5.40 (m, 1H), 4.87–4.84 (m, 2H), 4.59–4.56 (m, 2H), 2.99 (t,  $J = 2\text{ Hz}$ , 2H), 2.70 (apt t,  $J = 8.4, 7.8, 2\text{ Hz}$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  172.2, 140.1, 128.7, 128.4, 126.5, 77.6, 67.96, 335.6, 30.9; IR (film): 3085, 2882, 1731, 1500, 1455, 1359; HRMS-ESI (m/z)  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_3\text{Na}$  229.0841; found 229.0842.

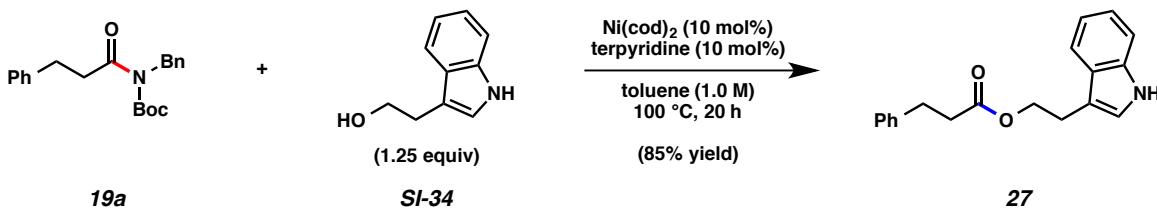


**Ester 25 (Figure 3).** Purification by flash chromatography (40:1 → 30:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **25** (95% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **25**:  $R_f$  0.45 (10:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.423–7.420 (m, 1H), 7.29–7.26 (2H), 7.21–7.17 (m, 3H), 6.39–6.36 (2H), 5.07 (br s, 2H), 2.97 (t,  $J = 7.7, 2\text{ Hz}$ ), 2.68 (t,  $J = 7.7, 2\text{ Hz}$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  172.6, 149.6, 143.4, 140.5, 128.6, 128.4, 126.4, 110.8, 110.7, 58.2, 35.9, 30.9; IR (film): 3029, 2935, 1733, 1497, 1369, 1145; HRMS-ESI (m/z)  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_3\text{Na}$  253.0841; found 253.0844.

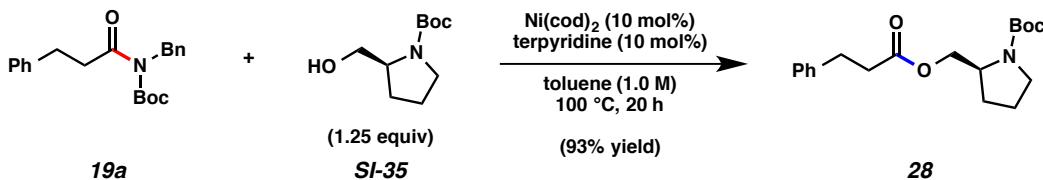


**Ester 26 (Figure 3).** Purification by flash chromatography (30:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **26** (96% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **26**:  $R_f$  0.65 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.34–7.30 (m, 1H), 7.30–7.25 (m, 2H), 7.22–

7.16 (m, 3H), 7.10–7.06 (m, 1H), 7.01–6.96 (m, 1H), 5.27 (s, 2H), 2.99–2.93 (m, 2H), 2.70–2.63 (m, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  172.7, 140.5, 138.0, 128.6, 128.4, 128.35, 126.98, 126.96, 126.4, 60.6, 36.0, 31.0; IR (film): 3065, 2955, 1735, 1453, 1231, 1146  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS-ESI ( $m/z$ )  $[\text{M}+\text{NH}_4]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_2\text{SNH}_4$ , 264.1058; found 264.1053.

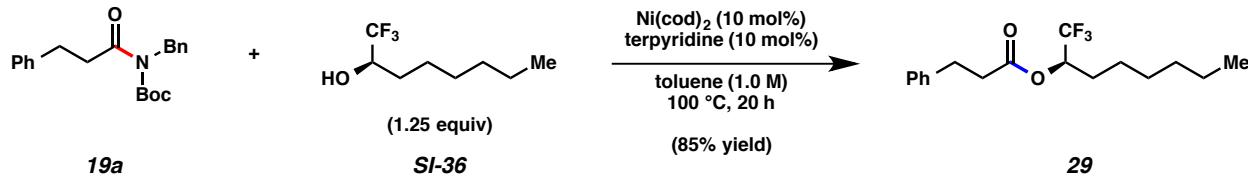


**Ester 27 (Figure 3).** Purification by flash chromatography (9:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester 27 (85% yield, average of two experiments) as a brown oil. Ester 27:  $R_f$  0.18 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.99 (s, 1H), 7.66–7.60 (m, 1H), 7.40–7.34 (m, 1H), 7.31–7.27 (m, 2H) 7.24–7.17 (m, 4H), 7.17–7.12 (m, 1H), 7.00–6.96 (m, 1H), 4.37 (t,  $J$  = 7.1, 2H), 3.11–3.06 (m, 2H), 2.98–2.92 (m, 2H), 2.67–2.61 (m, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  173.1, 140.7, 136.3, 128.6, 128.5, 127.6, 126.4, 122.3, 122.1, 119.6, 118.9, 112.2, 111.3, 64.7, 36.1, 31.1, 24.9; IR (film): 3409, 3025, 2920, 1715, 1458, 1161  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS-ESI ( $m/z$ )  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_2\text{Na}$ , 316.1313; found 316.1304.

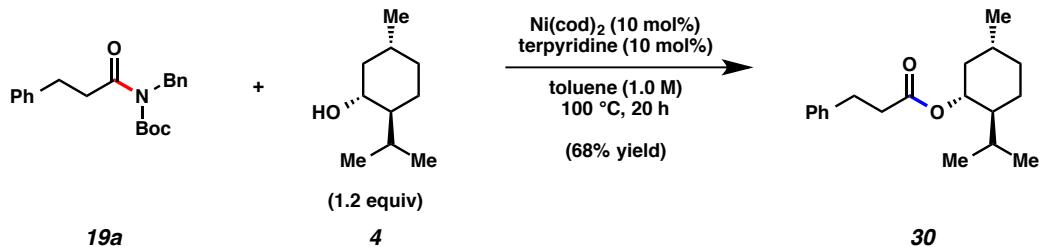


**Ester 28 (Figure 3).** Purification by flash chromatography (10:1 → 5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **28** (93% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **28**:  $R_f$  0.17 (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.30–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.21 (7.18, 3H), 4.17 (dd,  $J$  = 10.5, 6.9, 1H), 4.06–3.90 (m, 2H), 3.39–3.30 (m, 2H), 2.96 (t,  $J$  = 7.8, 2H), 2.65 (t,  $J$  = 7.7, 2H), 1.89–1.65 (m, 5H), (br s, 9H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  172.8, 154.5, 104.5, 128.6, 128.4, 126.4, 79.9, 64.9, 55.6, 46.8, 46.6, 36.0, 31.1, 28.8, 28.6, 27.9, 23.9, 23.1; IR (film): 2974, 1736, 1690, 1454, 1389, 1365, 1248, 1160, 1106, 699; HRMS-ESI (m/z)  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{27}\text{NO}_4\text{Na}$  356.1838; found 356.1821;  $[\alpha]^{24.7}_{\text{D}} -1024.0^\circ$  ( $c$  = 1.00,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ).

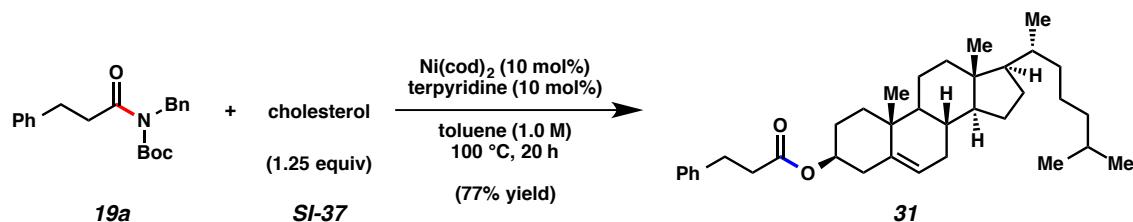
Note: Amide **28** was obtained as a mixture of rotamers. These data represent empirically observed chemical shifts and coupling constants from the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum.



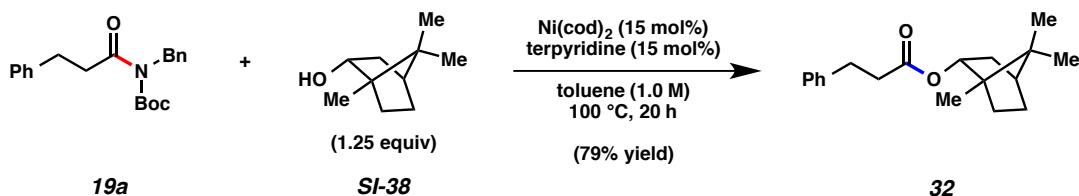
**Ester 29 (Figure 3).** Purification by flash chromatography (30:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **29** (85% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **29**:  $R_f$  0.70 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.31–7.28 (m, 2H), 7.22–7.20 (m, 3H), 5.33–5.26 (m, 1H), 2.99 (t,  $J = 7.7$ , 2H), 2.78–2.68 (m, 2H), 1.76–1.63 (m, 2H), 1.28–1.24 (m, 6H), 0.89 (t,  $J = 6.8$ , 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  171.6, 140.0, 128.7, 128.4, 126.6, 124.0 (quartet,  $J = 283.5$ , 562.4), 69.7 (quartet,  $J = 31.8$ , 64.8), 35.5, 31.3, 30.9, 27.86, 27.85, 24.2, 22.4, 14.0;  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (282 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  -77.2 (d,  $J = 6.9$ ); IR (film): 2957, 2867, 1755, 1278, 1176, 752  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS-ESI ( $m/z$ )  $[\text{M}+\text{NH}_4]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{21}\text{F}_3\text{O}_2\text{NH}_4$ , 320.1837; found 320.1839;  $[\alpha]^{19.8}_D +8.80^\circ$  ( $c = 1.00$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ).



**Ester 30 (Figure 3).** Purification by flash chromatography (40:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **30** (68% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **30**:  $R_f$  0.40 (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc). Spectral data match those previously reported.<sup>11</sup>

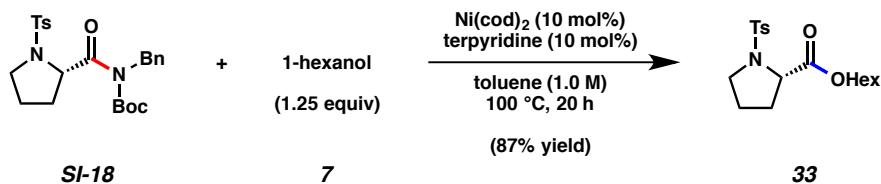


**Ester 31 (Figure 3).** Purification by flash chromatography (40:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **31** (77% yield, average of two experiments) as a white solid. Ester **31**:  $R_f$  0.40 (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc). Spectral data match those previously reported.<sup>12</sup>

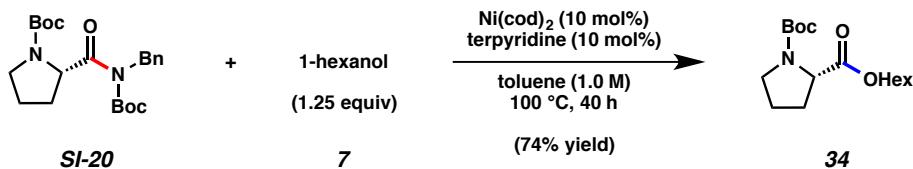


**Ester 32 (Figure 3).** Purification by flash chromatography (40:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **32** (79% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **32**:  $R_f$  0.57 (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc). Spectral data match those previously reported.<sup>13</sup>

## G. Coupling with Amino Acid Derivatives

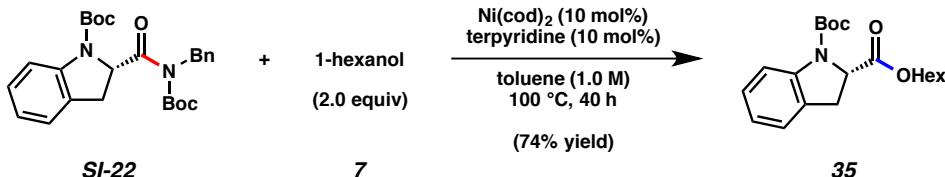


**Ester 33 (Figure 4).** Purification by flash chromatography (10:1  $\rightarrow$  5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **33** (87% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear oil. Ester **33**:  $R_f$  0.29 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.76 (d,  $J = 8.1$ , 2H), 7.31 (d,  $J = 8.1$ , 2H), 4.31–4.28 (m, 1H), 4.13–4.04 (m, 2H), 3.49–3.45 (m, 1H), 3.34–3.29 (m, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.06–1.91 (m, 3H), 1.79–1.73 (m, 1H), 1.64–1.58 (m, 2H), 1.35–1.30 (m, 6H), 0.90 (apt t,  $J = 7.0, 5.6$ , 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  172.3, 143.6, 135.6, 129.7, 127.6, 65.6, 60.6, 48.5, 31.5, 31.1, 28.6, 25.6, 24.8, 22.6, 21.7, 14.1; IR (film): 2957, 2875, 1749, 1598, 1455, 1094  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS-ESI ( $m/z$ )  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{27}\text{NO}_4\text{SNa}$  376.1559; found 376.1563;  $[\alpha]^{23.1}_{\text{D}} -72.80^\circ$  ( $c = 1.00$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ).



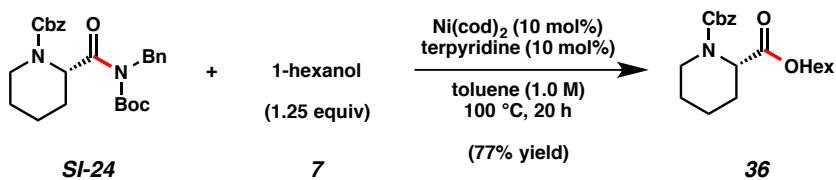
**Ester 34 (Figure 4).** Purification via flash chromatography (30:1 → 20:1 → 15:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) yielded ester **34** (74% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear liquid. Ester **34**:  $R_f$  0.4 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  4.38–4.19 (m, 1H), 4.19–4.03 (m, 2H), 3.61–3.31 (m, 2H), 2.30–2.11 (m, 1H), 2.02–1.80 (m, 3H), 1.69–1.58 (m, 2H), 1.50–1.39 (9H), 1.38–1.25 (m, 6H), 0.93–0.83 (m, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  173.5, 173.2, 171.3, 170.8, 169.3, 154.5, 154.0, 147.6, 146.8, 128.8, 127.6, 79.9, 67.5, 66.0, 65.9, 65.2, 62.6, 60.9, 59.3, 59.2, 59.0, 50.6, 49.2, 46.7, 46.4, 46.3, 31.5, 31.4, 41.1, 30.4, 30.1, 29.8, 28.7, 28.6, 28.5, 25.7, 25.6, 25.5, 24.4, 24.0, 23.7, 23.6, 22.6, 14.1; IR (film): 2962, 2934, 2872, 2860, 1742, 1699, 1460, 1393, 1363, 1161, 1123; HRMS-ESI (m/z)  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{29}\text{NO}_4\text{Na}$  322.1993; found 322.1985;  $[\alpha]^{27.4}_D -43.20^\circ$  ( $c = 1.00$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ).

*Note: Ester 34 was obtained as a mixture of rotamers. These data represent empirically observed chemical shifts and coupling constants from the  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra.*



**Ester 35 (Figure 4).** Purification via flash chromatography (30:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) yielded ester **35** (74% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear liquid. Ester **35**:  $R_f$  0.33 (20:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.90–7.48 (m, 1H), 7.20–7.17 (m, 1H), 7.10 (d,  $J = 7.2$ , 1H), 6.95 (t,  $J = 7.2$ , 1H), 4.91–4.82 (m, 1H), 4.13 (br s, 2H), 3.53 (apt t,  $J = 15.5$ , 12.0, 1H), 3.11 (dd,  $J = 16.6$ , 4.1, 1H), 1.63–1.49 (m, 11H), 1.32–1.27 (m, 6H), 0.88 (t,  $J = 6.9$ , 6.5, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  172.1, 152.7, 151.7, 142.7, 141.8, 128.9, 124.8, 124.4, 114.7, 82.3, 81.3, 60.5, 60.3, 32.1, 31.4, 28.6, 28.3, 25.5, 22.6, 14.0; IR (film): 2955, 2930, 2865, 1750, 1710, 1483, 1383, 1273, 1253, 1164, 1146, 1044, 1019; HRMS-ESI (m/z)  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{29}\text{NO}_4\text{Na}$  370.1994; found 370.1988;  $[\alpha]^{21.5}_D -34.0^\circ$  ( $c = 1.00$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ).

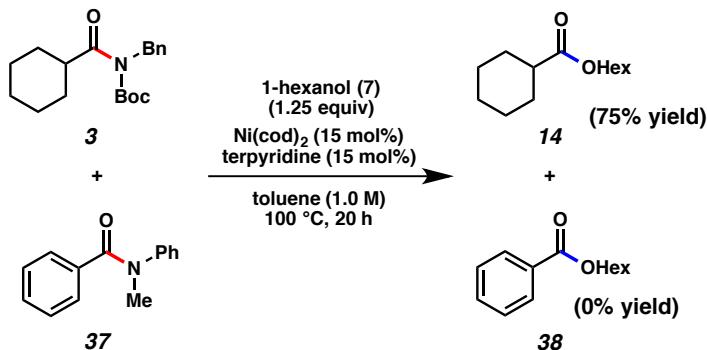
*Note: Ester 35 was obtained as a mixture of rotamers. These data represent empirically observed chemical shifts and coupling constants from the  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra*



**Ester 36 (Figure 4).** Purification via flash chromatography (3 X 10:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) yielded ester **36** (77% yield, average of two experiments) as a clear liquid. Ester **36**:  $R_f$  0.47 (5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.41–7.27 (m, 5H), 5.20–5.07 (m, 2H), 4.98–4.78 (m, 1H), 4.19–3.99 (m, 3H), 3.13–2.88 (m, 1H), 2.31–2.15 (m, 1H), 1.78–1.60 (m, 4H), 1.59–1.36 (m, 2H), 1.36–1.17 (m, 7H), 0.94–0.82 (app t, 3H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (125 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  171.9, 171.8, 156.7, 156.1, 136.9, 128.6, 128.1, 127.9, 67.4, 67.3, 65.4, 54.8, 54.6, 42.0, 31.5, 28.7, 28.1, 27.0, 26.9, 25.7, 24.9, 24.7, 22.6, 20.9, 20.88, 20.76, 14.1; IR (film): 2932, 2857, 1740, 1702, 1416  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; HRMS-ESI ( $m/z$ ) [M + H] $^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{28}\text{NO}_5$ , 362.19675; found 362.19515;  $[\alpha]^{25.3}_D -36.30^\circ$  ( $c = 1.00$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ).

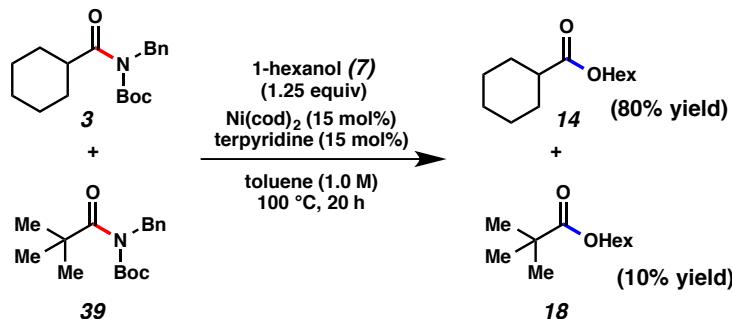
*Note: Ester **36** was obtained as a mixture of rotamers. These data represent empirically observed chemical shifts and coupling constants from the  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra.*

## H. Competition Experiments

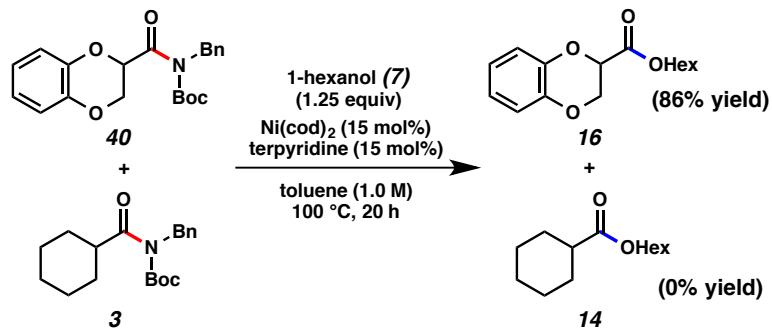


**Aliphatic vs. Aromatic Substrate (Figure 5).** A 1-dram vial containing amide **3** (47.6 mg, 0.150 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **37**<sup>14</sup> (31.7 mg, 0.150 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene (7.6 mg, 0.045 mmol, 0.3 equiv) and a magnetic stir bar was charged with  $\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2$  (6.2 mg, 0.023 mmol, 15 mol%) and terpyridine (5.4 mg, 0.023 mmol, 15 mol%) in a glove box. Subsequently, toluene (0.150 mL, 1.0 M) and then alcohol **7** (23.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.188 mmol, 1.25 equiv) were added. The vial was sealed with a Teflon-lined screw cap, removed from the glove box, and stirred at 100 °C for 20 h. After cooling to 23 °C, the mixture was diluted with hexanes (0.5 mL) and

filtered over a plug of silica gel (10 mL of EtOAc eluent). The volatiles were removed under reduced pressure. Spectral data match those previously reported for ester **14** (see page 25).

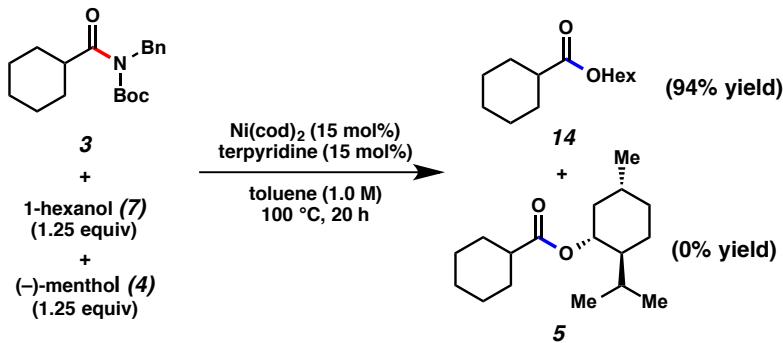


**Tertiary vs. Quaternary  $\alpha$  Carbon (Figure 5).** A 1-dram vial containing amide **3** (47.6 mg, 0.150 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **39** (43.7 mg, 0.150 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene (7.6 mg, 0.045 mmol, 0.3 equiv) and a magnetic stir bar was charged with  $\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2$  (6.2 mg, 0.023 mmol, 15 mol%) and terpyridine (5.4 mg, 0.023 mmol, 15 mol%) in a glove box. Subsequently, toluene (0.150 mL, 1.0 M) and then alcohol **7** (23.4  $\mu$ L, 0.188 mmol, 1.25 equiv) were added. The vial was sealed with a Teflon-lined screw cap, removed from the glove box, and stirred at 100 °C for 20 h. After cooling to 23 °C, the mixture was diluted with hexanes (0.5 mL) and filtered over a plug of silica gel (10 mL of EtOAc eluent). The volatiles were removed under reduced pressure. Spectral data match those previously reported for ester **14** (see page 25) and ester **18** (see page 26).



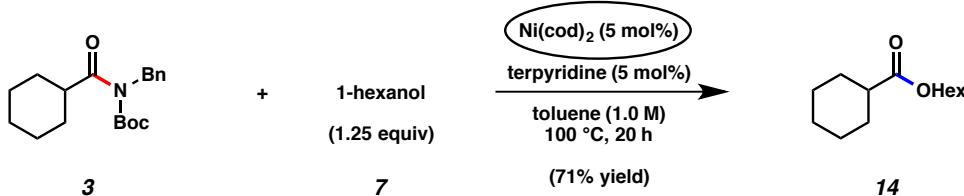
**Tertiary vs. Tertiary with Heteroatom (Figure 5).** A 1-dram vial containing amide **40** (55.4 mg, 0.150 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **3** (47.6 mg, 0.150 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene (7.6 mg, 0.045 mmol, 0.3 equiv) and a magnetic stir bar was charged with  $\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2$  (6.2 mg, 0.023 mmol, 15 mol%) and terpyridine (5.4 mg, 0.023 mmol, 15 mol%) in a glove box. Subsequently,

toluene (0.150 mL, 1.0 M) and then alcohol **7** (23.4  $\mu$ L, 0.188 mmol, 1.25 equiv) were added. The vial was sealed with a Teflon-lined screw cap, removed from the glove box, and stirred at 100 °C for 20 h. After cooling to 23 °C, the mixture was diluted with hexanes (0.5 mL) and filtered over a plug of silica gel (10 mL of EtOAc eluent). The volatiles were removed under reduced pressure. Spectral data match those previously reported for ester **16** (see page 25).



**Primary vs. Secondary Alcohol (Figure 5).** A 1-dram vial containing amide **3** (63.5 mg, 0.200 mmol, 1.0 equiv), (-)-menthol **4** (39.1 mg, 0.250 mmol, 1.25 equiv), 1,3,5-trimethoxybenzene (10.1 mg, 0.060 mmol, 0.3 equiv) and a magnetic stir bar was charged with  $\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2$  (8.3 mg, 0.030 mmol, 15 mol%) and terpyridine (7.0 mg, 0.030 mmol, 15 mol%) in a glove box. Subsequently, toluene (0.200 mL, 1.0 M) and then alcohol **7** (31.4  $\mu$ L, 0.250 mmol, 1.25 equiv) were added. The vial was sealed with a Teflon-lined screw cap, removed from the glove box, and stirred at 100 °C for 20 h. After cooling to 23 °C, the mixture was diluted with hexanes (0.5 mL) and filtered over a plug of silica gel (10 mL of EtOAc eluent). The volatiles were removed under reduced pressure. Spectral data match those previously reported for ester **14** (see page 25).

### I. Protocol for Benchtop Delivery of $\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2$



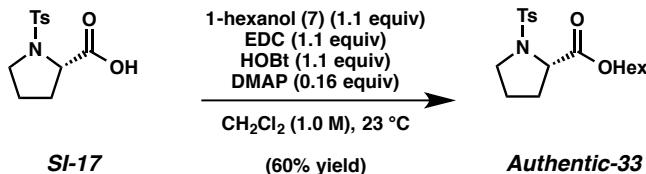
**Ester 14.** A 1-dram vial containing a magnetic stir bar was flame-dried under reduced pressure, and then allowed to cool under  $\text{N}_2$ . The vial was charged with amide substrate **3** (317 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 1-hexanol (**7**, 0.157 mL, 1.25 mmol, 1.25 equiv),

terpyridine (11.7 mg, 0.05 mmol, 0.05 equiv), and a paraffin capsule containing Ni(cod)<sub>2</sub> (13.8 mg, 0.05 mmol, 0.05 equiv). The vial was flushed with N<sub>2</sub>, and subsequently toluene (1.0 mL, 1.0 M) that had been sparged with N<sub>2</sub> for 20 min was added. The vial was capped with a Teflon-line screw cap under a flow of N<sub>2</sub> and the reaction mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 20 h. After removing the vial from heat, the reaction mixture was transferred to a 100 mL round bottom flask containing 3.0 g of silica gel with hexanes (10.0 mL) and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10.0 mL). The mixture was adsorbed onto the silica gel under reduced pressure and filtered over a plug of silica gel (100 mL of hexanes eluent to remove paraffin, then 100 mL 4:1 Hexanes:EtOAc eluent). The volatiles were removed under reduced pressure, and the crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (49:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield ester **14** (71% yield) as a clear oil. Spectral data matched those previously reported.<sup>9</sup>

## Verification of Enantiopurity

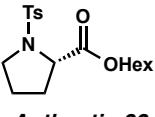
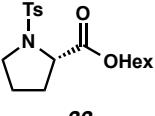
### A. Optical Rotation Analysis

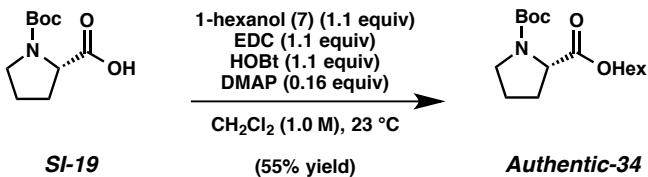
#### I. Synthesis of Optically Pure Ester



**Ester Authentic-33:** The esterification of **Authentic-33** was carried out following the protocol for achieving the esterification without enantiomeric excess loss.<sup>15</sup> To a mixture of carboxylic acid **SI-17** (100 mg, 0.371 mmol, 1.0 equiv), EDC (78 mg, 0.408 mmol, 1.1 equiv), HOBr (55 mg, 0.408 mmol, 1.1 equiv), DMAP (7 mg, 0.060 mmol, 0.16 equiv), and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (0.37 mL, 1.0 M) was added 1-hexanol (**7**) (52 µL, 0.408 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 16 h, and then diluted with deionized water (4 mL) and EtOAc (5 mL). The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 X 5 mL). The organics were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (15:1 → 5:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield ester **Authentic-33** (82 mg, 60% yield) as a clear oil. Spectral data matched those reported in the Experimental Procedure (page S31). [α]<sup>23.1</sup><sub>D</sub> -72.80 ° (c = 1.00, CHCl<sub>3</sub>).

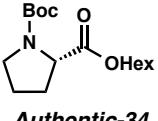
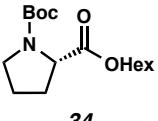
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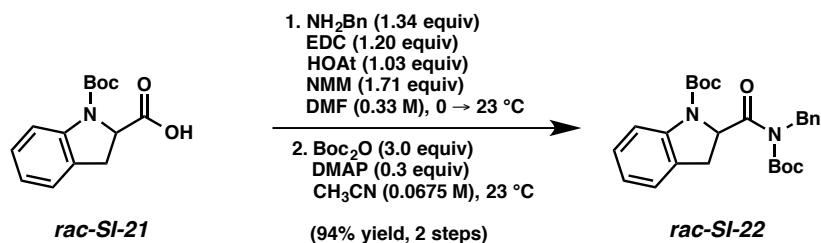
Compound	Optical Rotation	% Optical Purity
	-72.80 °	X
	-73.00 °	>99% ee



**Ester Authentic-34:** The esterification of **Authentic-34** was carried out following the protocol for achieving the esterification without enantiomeric excess loss.<sup>15</sup> To a mixture of carboxylic acid **SI-19** (300 mg, 1.39 mmol, 1.0 equiv), EDC (294 mg, 1.53 mmol, 1.1 equiv), HOBt (207 mg, 1.53 mmol, 1.1 equiv), DMAP (19 mg, 0.153 mmol, 0.16 equiv), and  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.39 mL, 1.0 M) was added 1-hexanol (7) (209  $\mu\text{L}$ , 1.67 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 16 h, and then diluted with deionized water (8 mL) and EtOAc (10 mL). The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 X 10 mL). The organics were dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (15:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield ester **Authentic-34** (82 mg, 60% yield) as a clear oil. Spectral data matched those reported in the Experimental Procedure (page S32).  $[\alpha]^{27.4}_{\text{D}} -43.20$  ° ( $c = 1.00$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ).

**Table S6:** Optical Rotation Data for **34**.

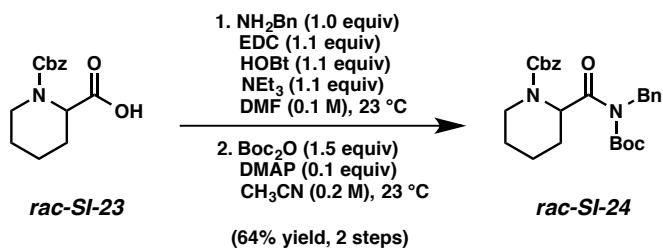
Compound	Optical Rotation	% Optical Purity
 <b>Authentic-34</b>	-43.20 °	X
 <b>34</b>	-41.20 °	95% ee

**B. Chiral SFC/HPLC Assays****I. Syntheses of Racemic Compounds**

**Amide *rac*-SI-22 (Figure 4).** *rac*-SI-22 was prepared using the procedure described earlier to synthesize (-)-SI-21 (see page S14), but using racemic carboxylic acid *rac*-SI-21. To a mixture of carboxylic acid *rac*-SI-21 (0.95 g, 3.6 mmol, 1.0 equiv), EDC (0.83 g, 4.32 mmol, 1.20 equiv), HOBr (0.50 g, 3.71 mmol, 1.03 equiv), and DMF (11 mL, 0.33 M) was added benzylamine (0.53 mL, 4.82 mmol, 1.34 equiv) and 4-methylmorpholine (NMM, 0.68 mL, 6.16 mmol, 1.71 equiv) at 0 °C. The resulting mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min and then at 23 °C for 16 h. The orange mixture was then diluted with deionized water (15 mL) and EtOAc (30 mL). The layers were separated. The organic layer was washed with 1 M HCl (20 mL), saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (20 mL), and brine (20 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (132.0 mg, 1.08 mmol, 0.3 equiv), followed by acetonitrile (53 mL, 0.0675 M). Boc<sub>2</sub>O (2.40 g, 10.8 mmol, 3.0 equiv) was added in one portion and the reaction vessel was flushed with N<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 16 h and then quenched by addition of saturated

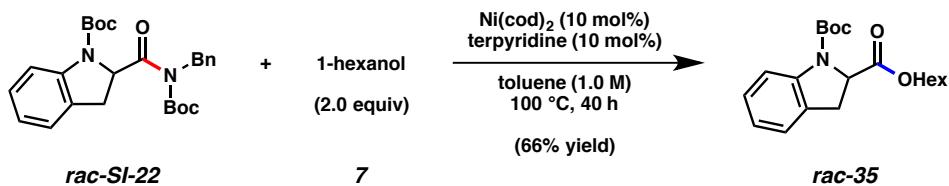
aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (10 mL). The mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel with EtOAc (50 mL) and deionized water (30 mL). The layers were separated. The organic layer was washed with 1 M HCl (30 mL), saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (30 mL), and brine (30 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (10:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield **rac-SI-22** (1.53 g, 94% yield, over two steps) as a white solid. Spectral data matched those reported in the Experimental Procedure (page S14).



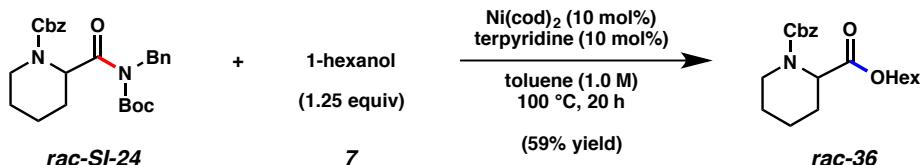
**Amide rac-SI-24 (Figure 4).** **rac-SI-24** was prepared using the procedure described earlier to synthesize (*-*)-**SI-23** (see page S15), but using racemic carboxylic acid **rac-SI-51**. To a mixture of carboxylic acid **rac-SI-23** (1.0 g, 3.8 mmol, 1.0 equiv), EDC (0.80 g, 4.18 mmol, 1.1 equiv), HOBr (0.56 g, 4.18 mmol, 1.1 equiv), and DMF (38 mL, 0.1 M) was added benzylamine (0.46 mL, 4.18 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at 23 °C for 16 h, and then diluted with deionized water (50 mL) and EtOAc (50 mL). The layers were separated and the organic layer was washed successively with 1.0 M HCl (50 mL), saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (50 mL), and brine (50 mL). The organics were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude solid material was used in the subsequent step without further purification.

To a flask containing the crude material from the previous step was added DMAP (46 mg, 0.38 mmol, 0.1 equiv) followed by acetonitrile (38 mL, 0.1 M). Boc<sub>2</sub>O (1.1 g, 4.94 mmol, 1.53 equiv) was added in one portion and the reaction vessel was flushed with N<sub>2</sub>. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 23 °C for 16 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc (50 mL) and then washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (2 X 50 mL) and brine (50 mL). The organics were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (19:1 → 15:1 → 8:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) to yield

amide **rac-SI-24** (1.1 g, 64% yield, over two steps) as a off white solid. Spectral data matched those reported in the Experimental Procedure (page S15).

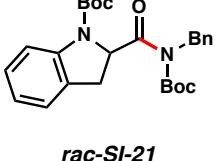
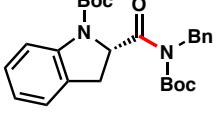


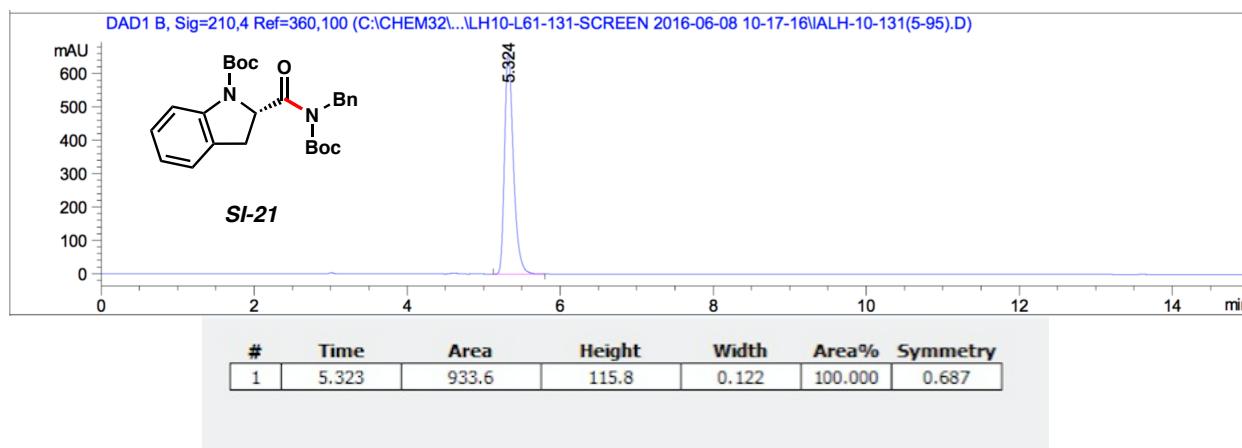
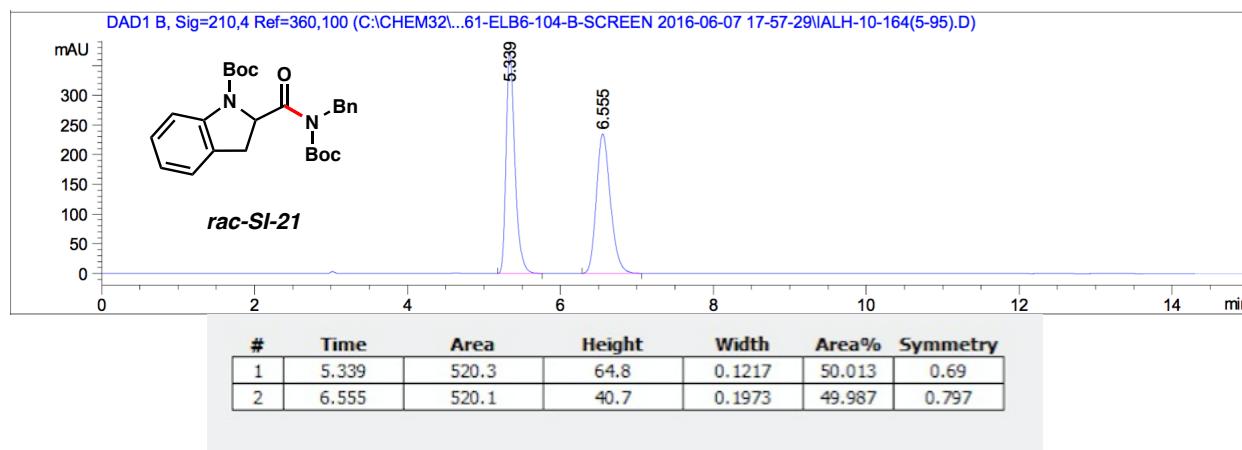
**Ester rac-35.** A 1-dram vial containing amide **rac-SI-22** (136.0 mg, 0.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and a magnetic stir bar was charged with  $\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2$  (8.25 mg, 0.030 mmol, 10 mol%) and terpyridine (6.99 mg, 0.030 mmol, 10 mol%) in a glove box. Subsequently, toluene (0.30 mL, 1.0 M) and then 1-hexanol (75.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.60 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were added. The vial was sealed with a Teflon-lined screw cap, removed from the glove box, and stirred at 100 °C for 40 h. After cooling to 23 °C, the mixture was diluted with hexanes (0.5 mL) and filtered over a plug of silica gel (10 mL of EtOAc eluent). The volatiles were removed under reduced pressure and the crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (30:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **rac-35** (66% yield) as a clear oil.

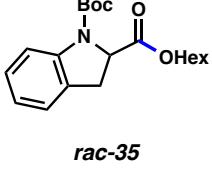
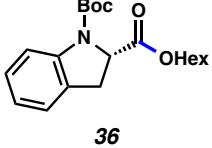


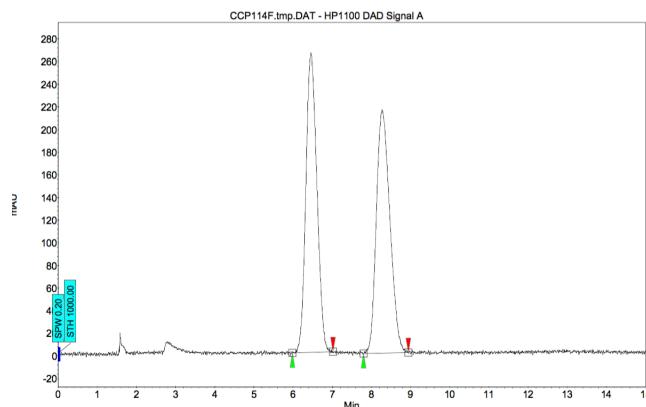
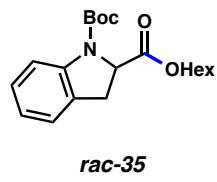
**Ester rac-36.** A 1-dram vial containing amide **rac-SI-24** (90.5 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and a magnetic stir bar was charged with  $\text{Ni}(\text{cod})_2$  (5.5 mg, 0.020 mmol, 10 mol%) and terpyridine (4.7 mg, 0.020 mmol, 10 mol%) in a glove box. Subsequently, toluene (0.20 mL, 1.0 M) and then 1-hexanol (31.4  $\mu\text{L}$ , 0.25 mmol, 1.25 equiv) were added. The vial was sealed with a Teflon-lined screw cap, removed from the glove box, and stirred at 100 °C for 20 h. After cooling to 23 °C, the mixture was diluted with hexanes (0.5 mL) and filtered over a plug of silica gel (10 mL of EtOAc eluent). The volatiles were removed under reduced pressure and the crude residue was purified by preparative thin layer chromatography (8:1 Hexanes:EtOAc) generated ester **rac-36** (59% yield) as a clear oil.

## II. Chiral Assays

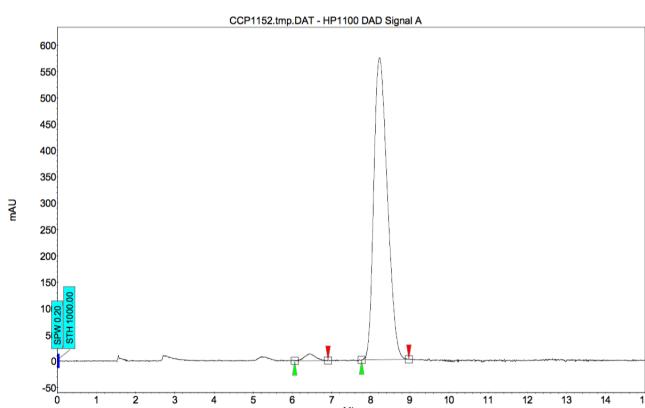
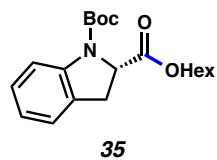
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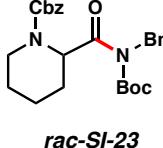
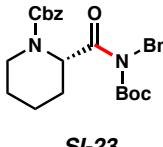
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	Daicel ChiralPak OD-H/35 °C	5% MeCN in CO <sub>2</sub>	2 mL/min	6.45/8.27	50:50
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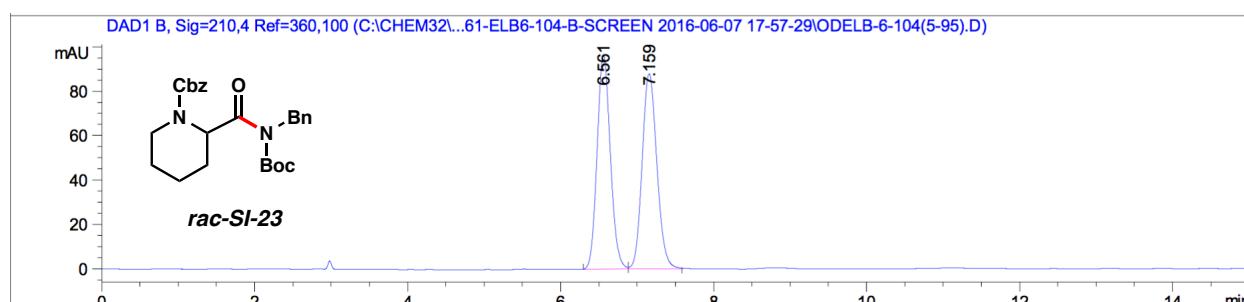


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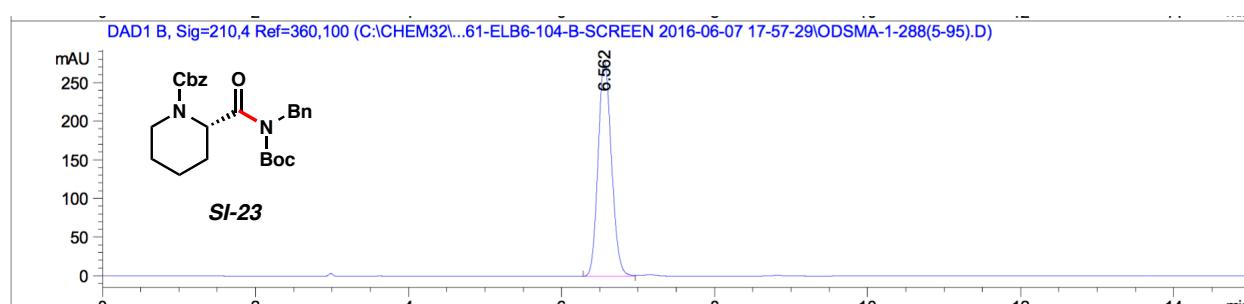


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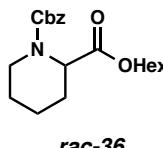
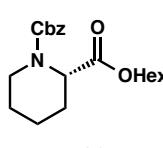
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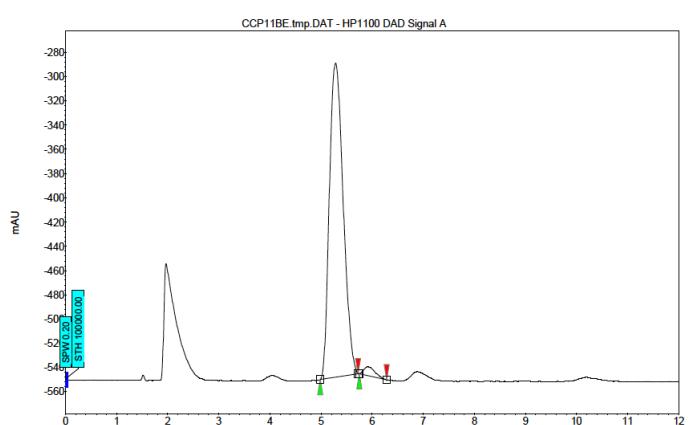
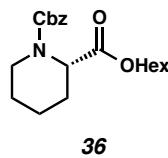
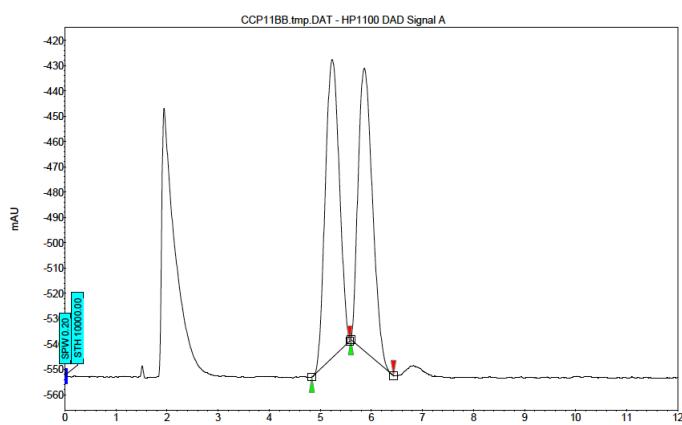
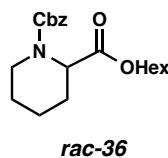


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Compound	Method Column/Temp.	Solvent	Method Flow Rate	Retention Times	Enantiomeric Ratio (er)
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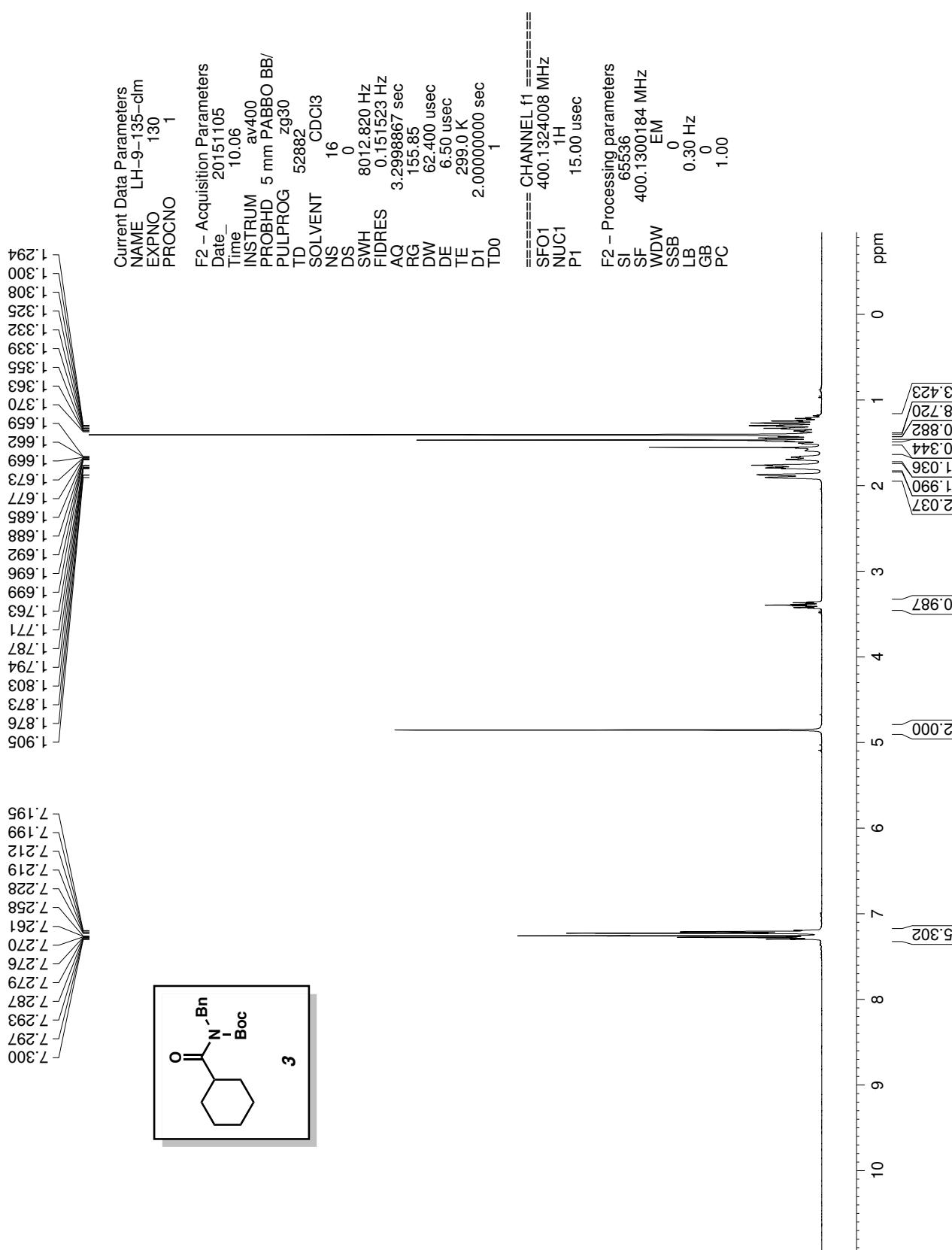


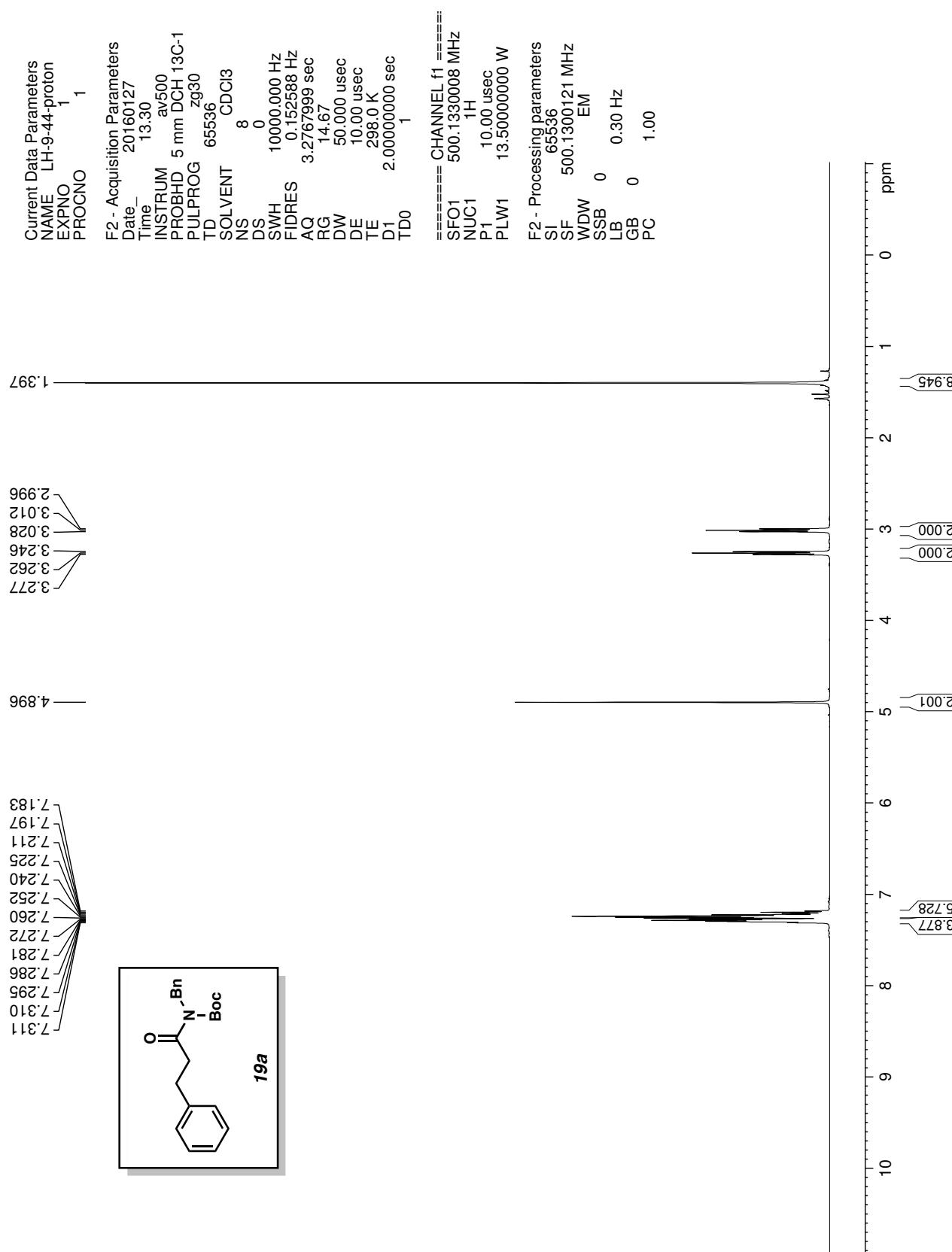
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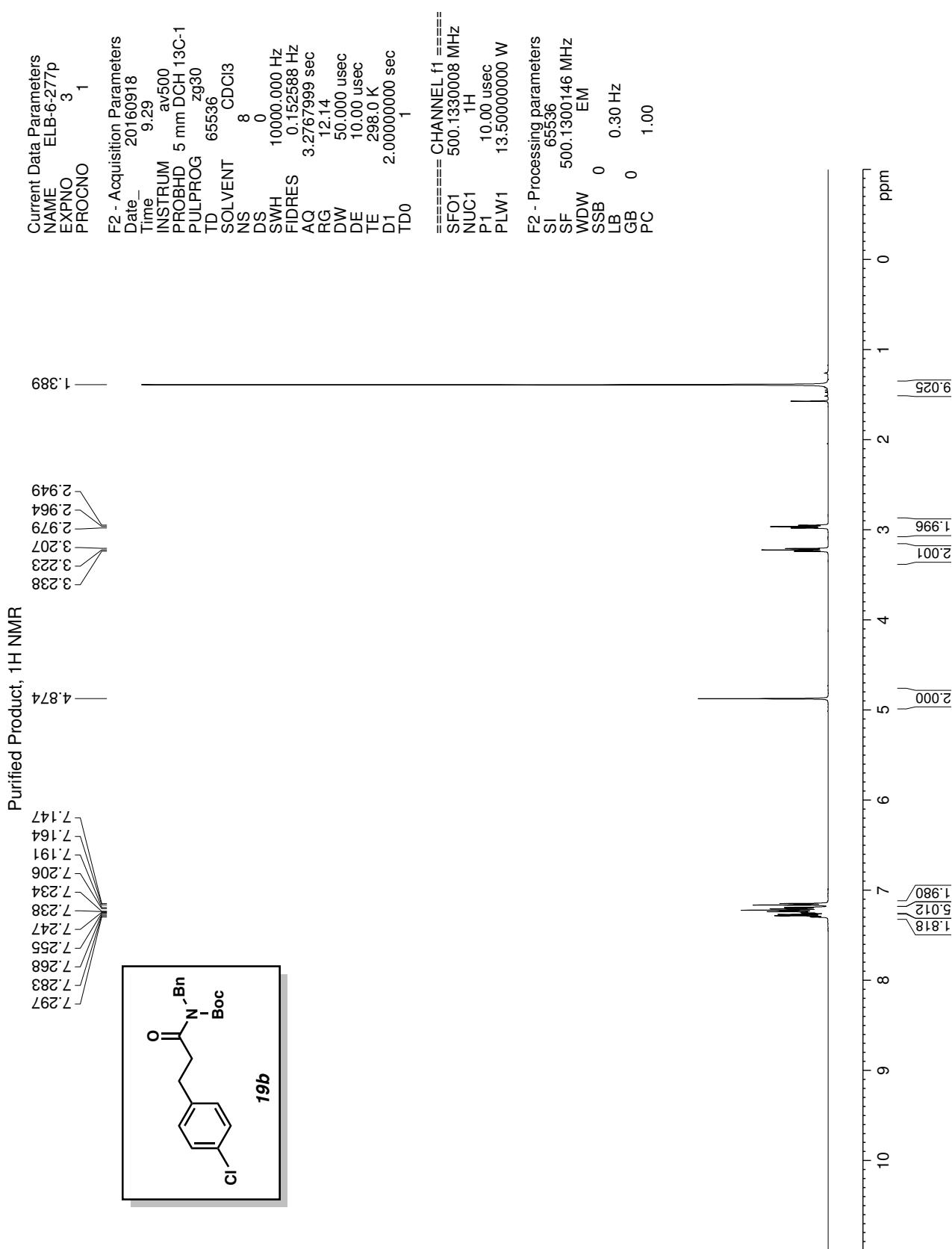
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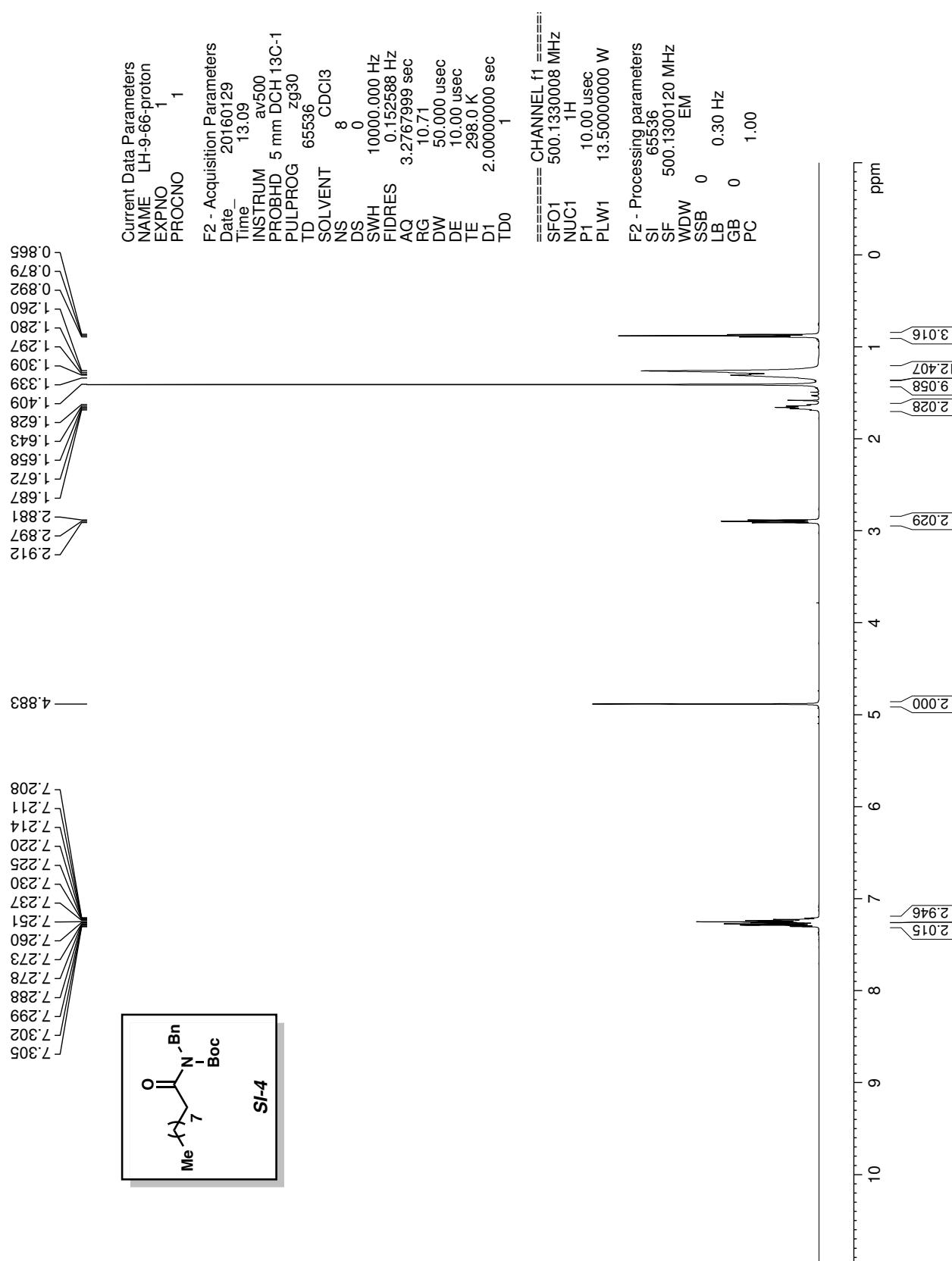
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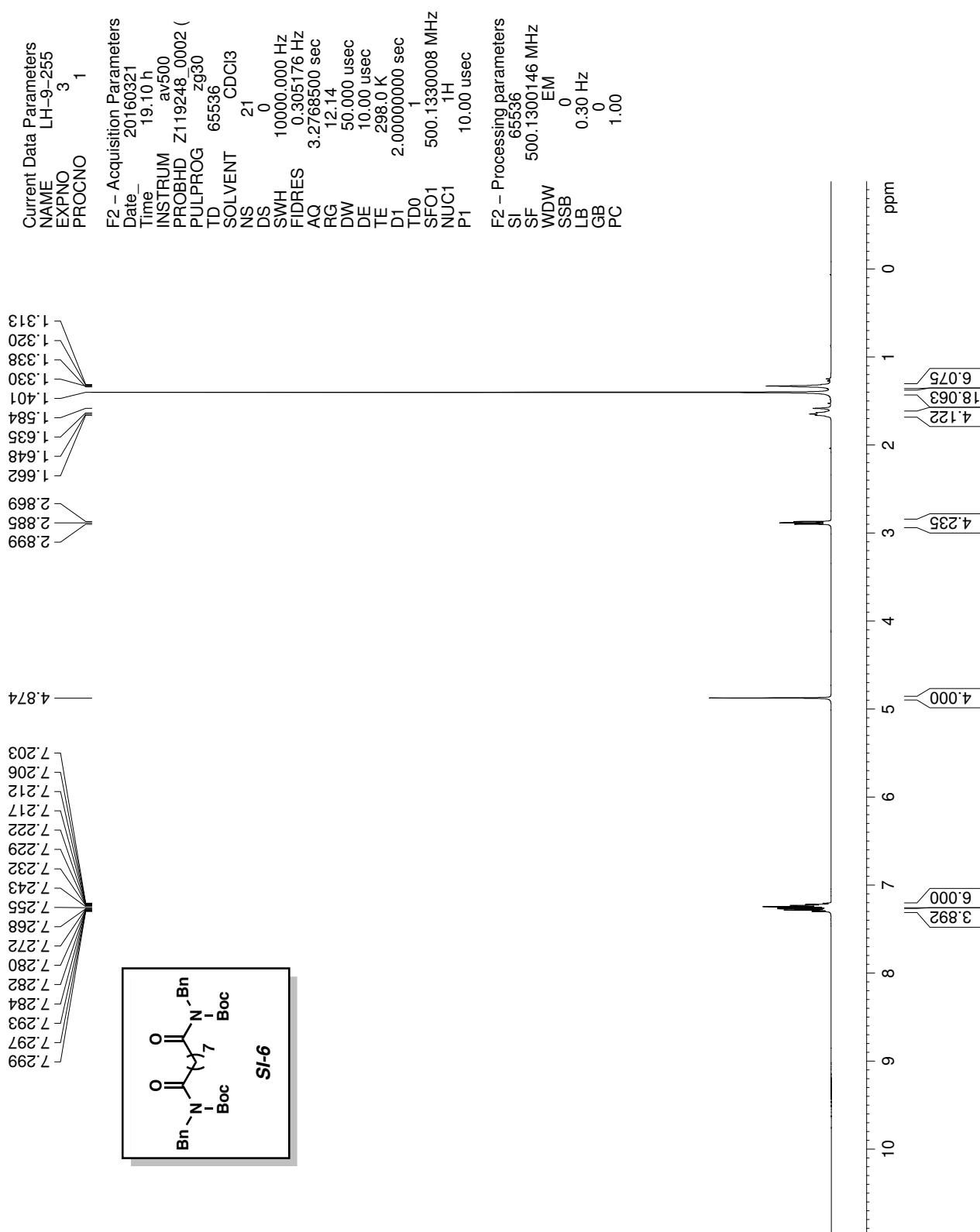
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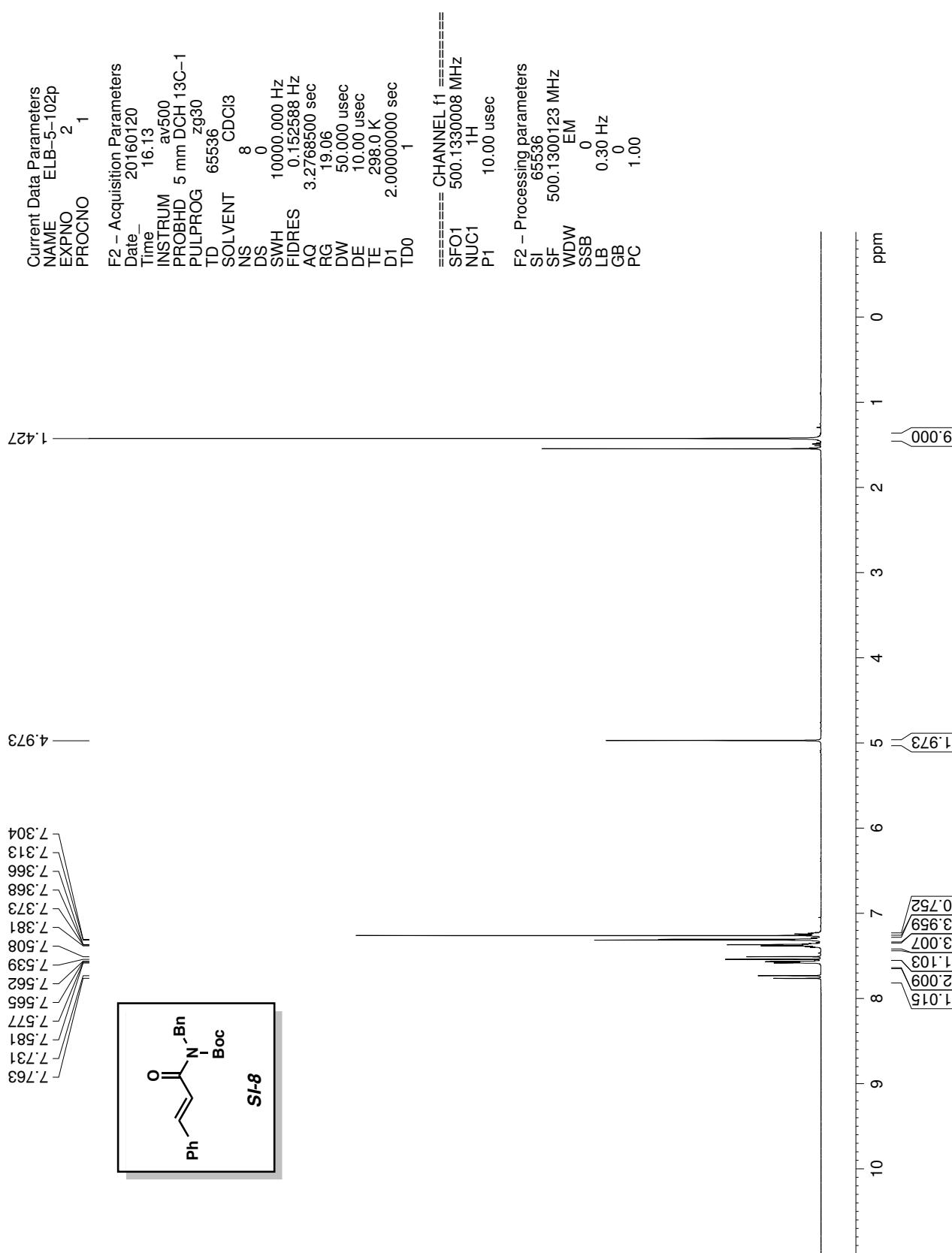


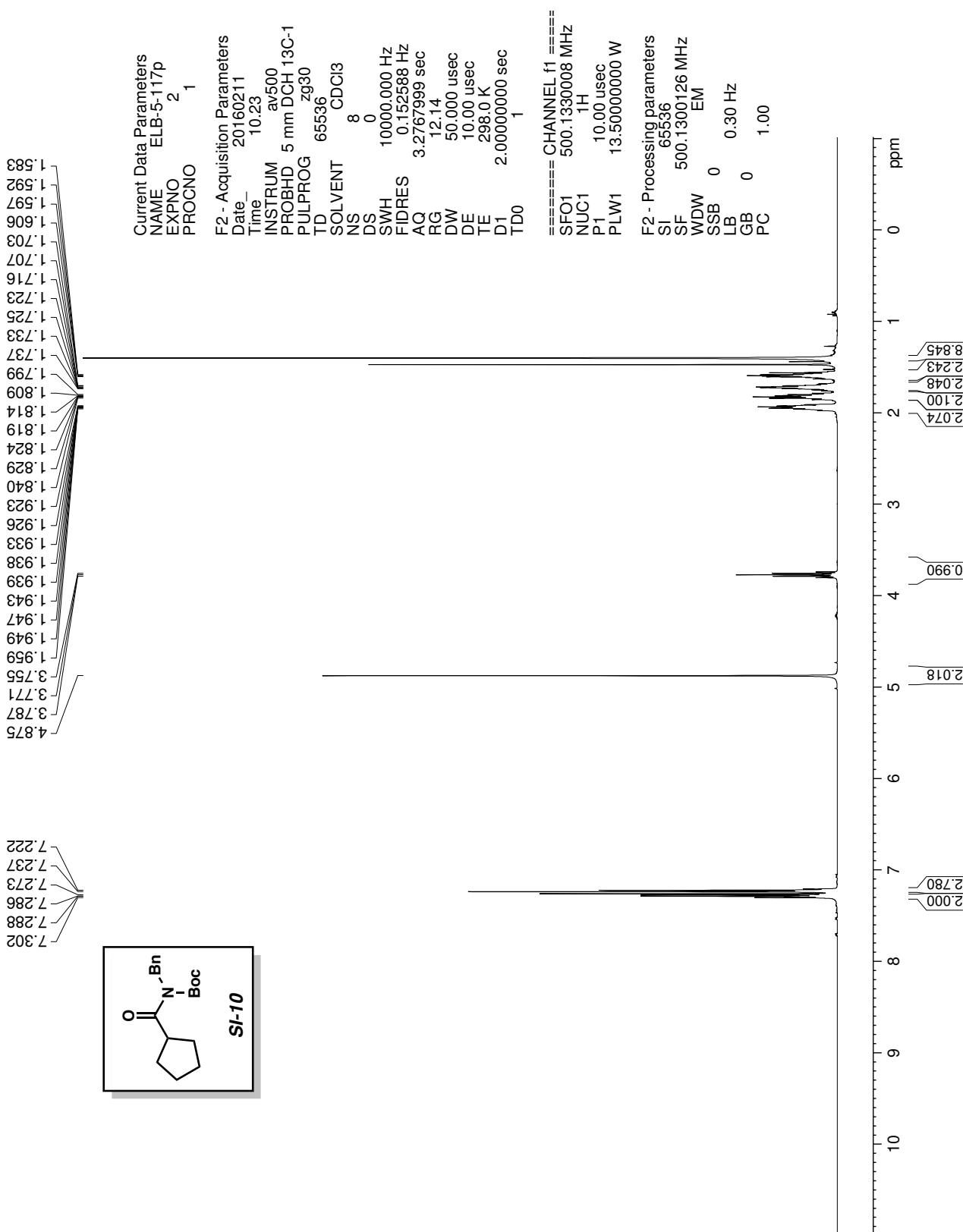


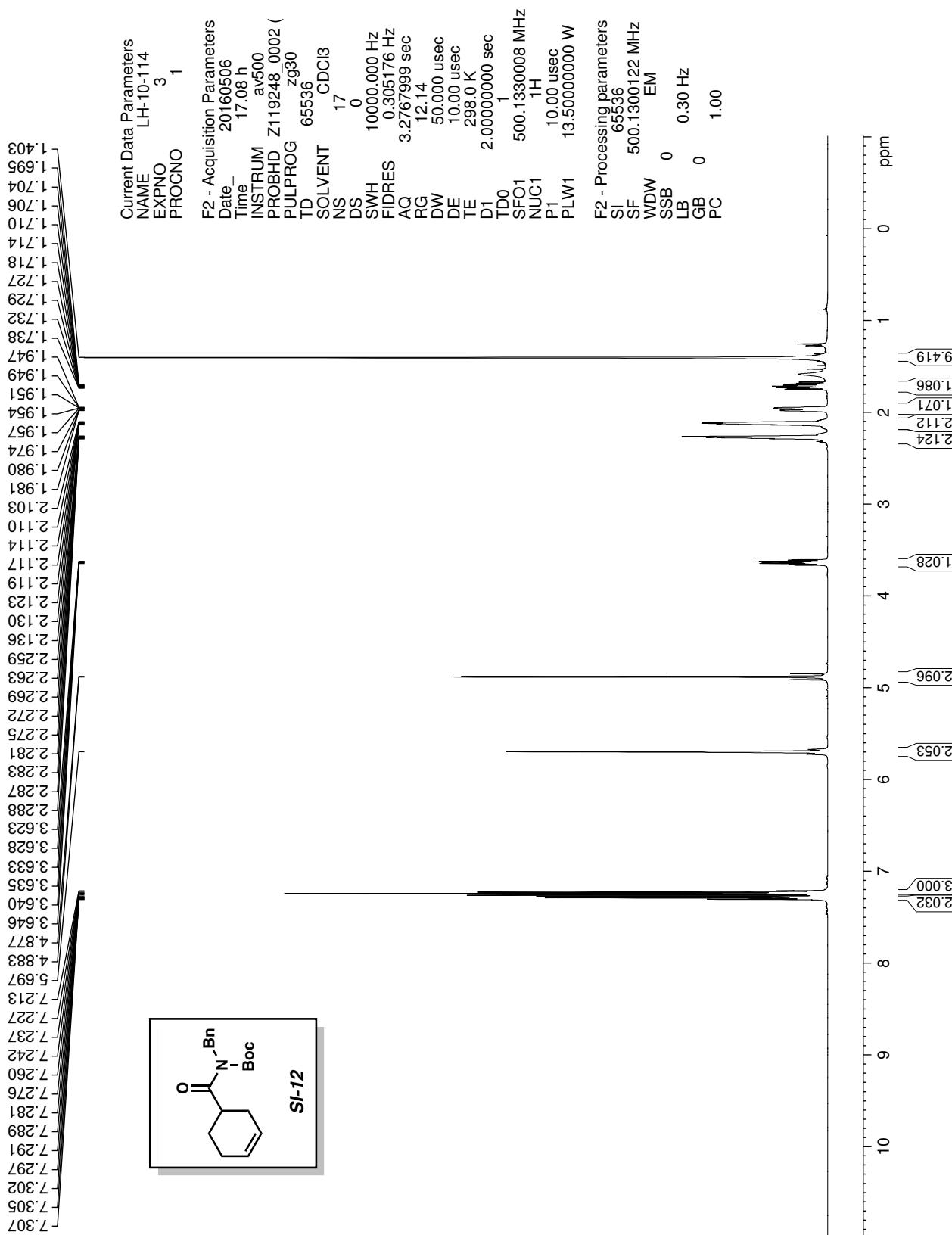


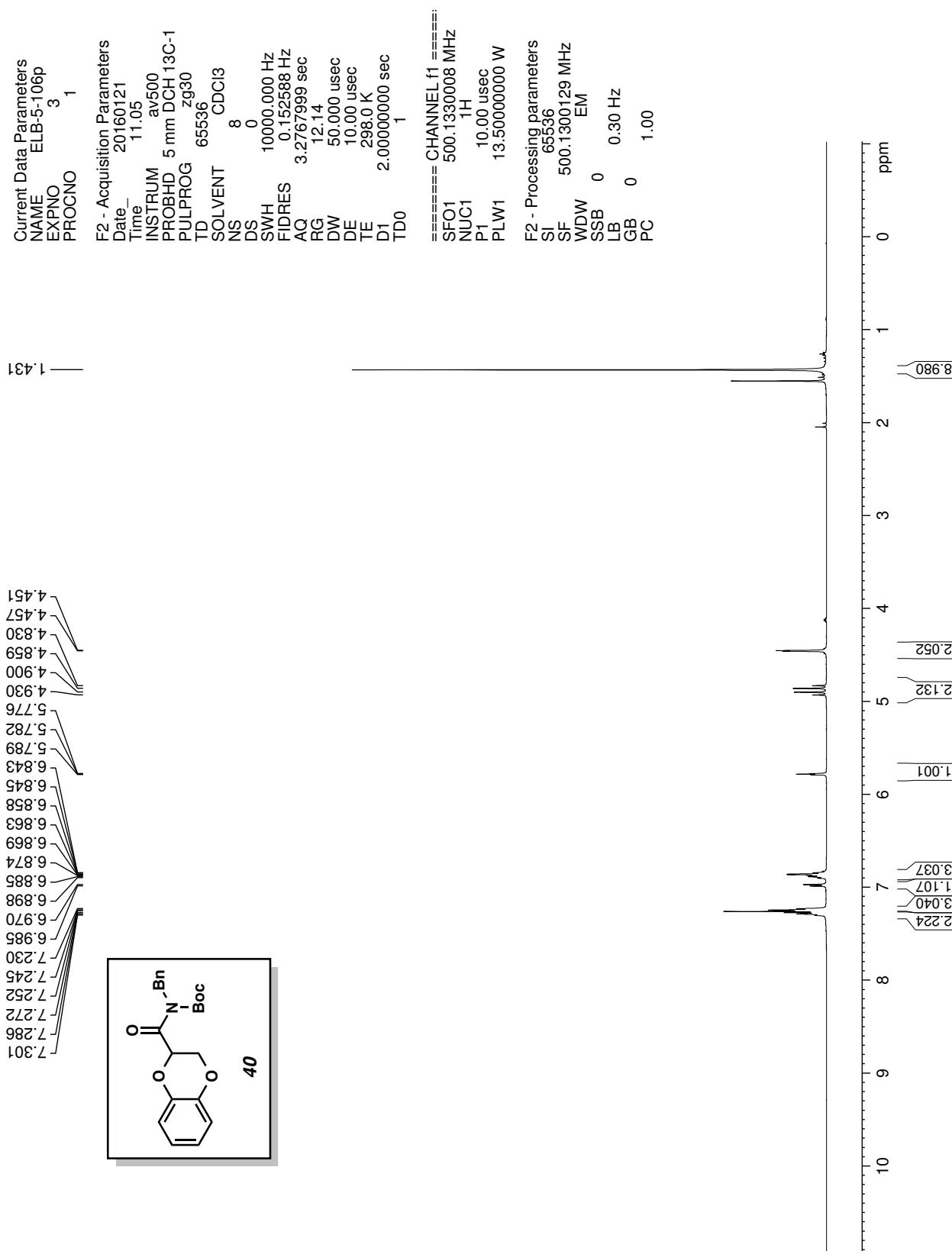


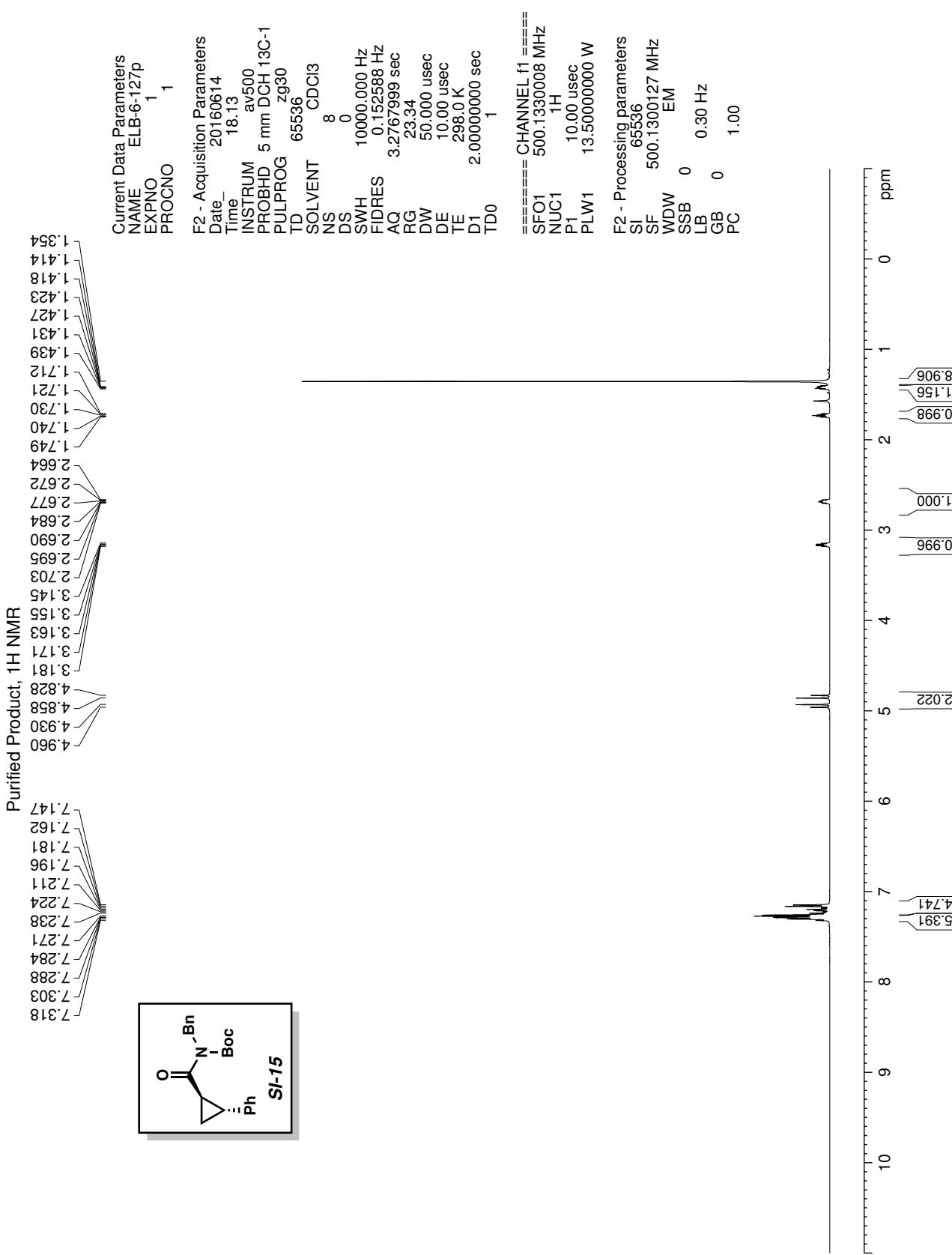


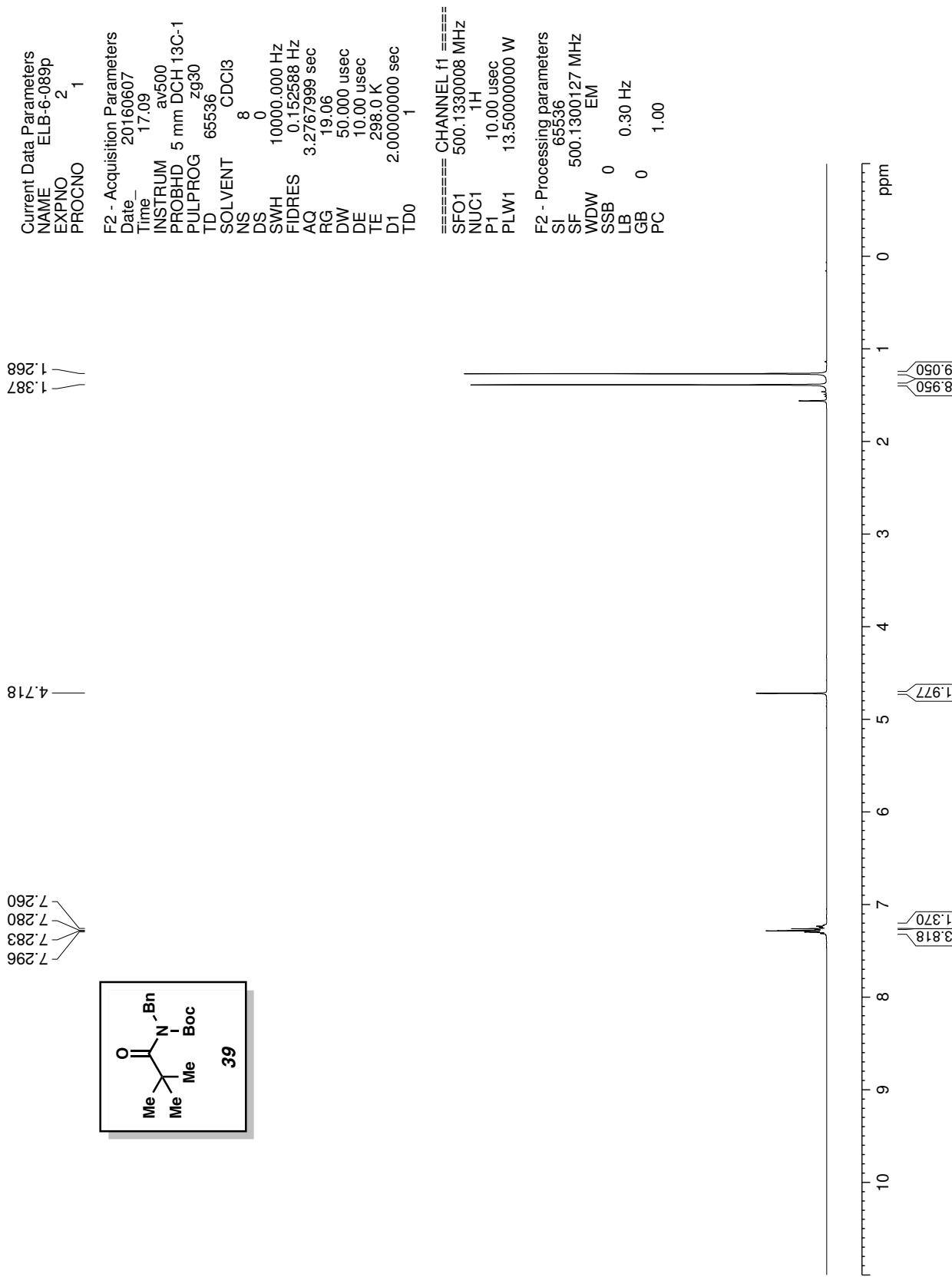


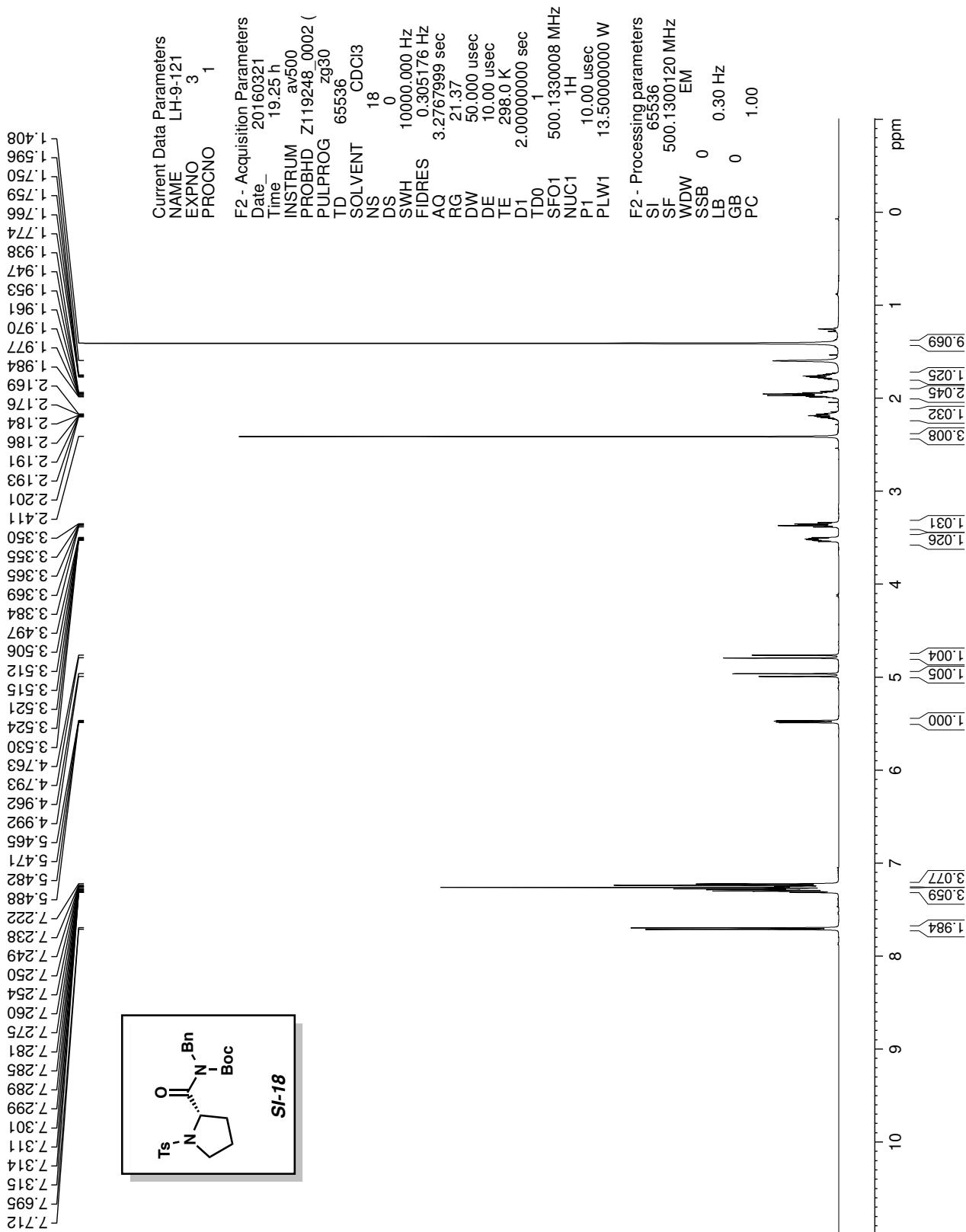


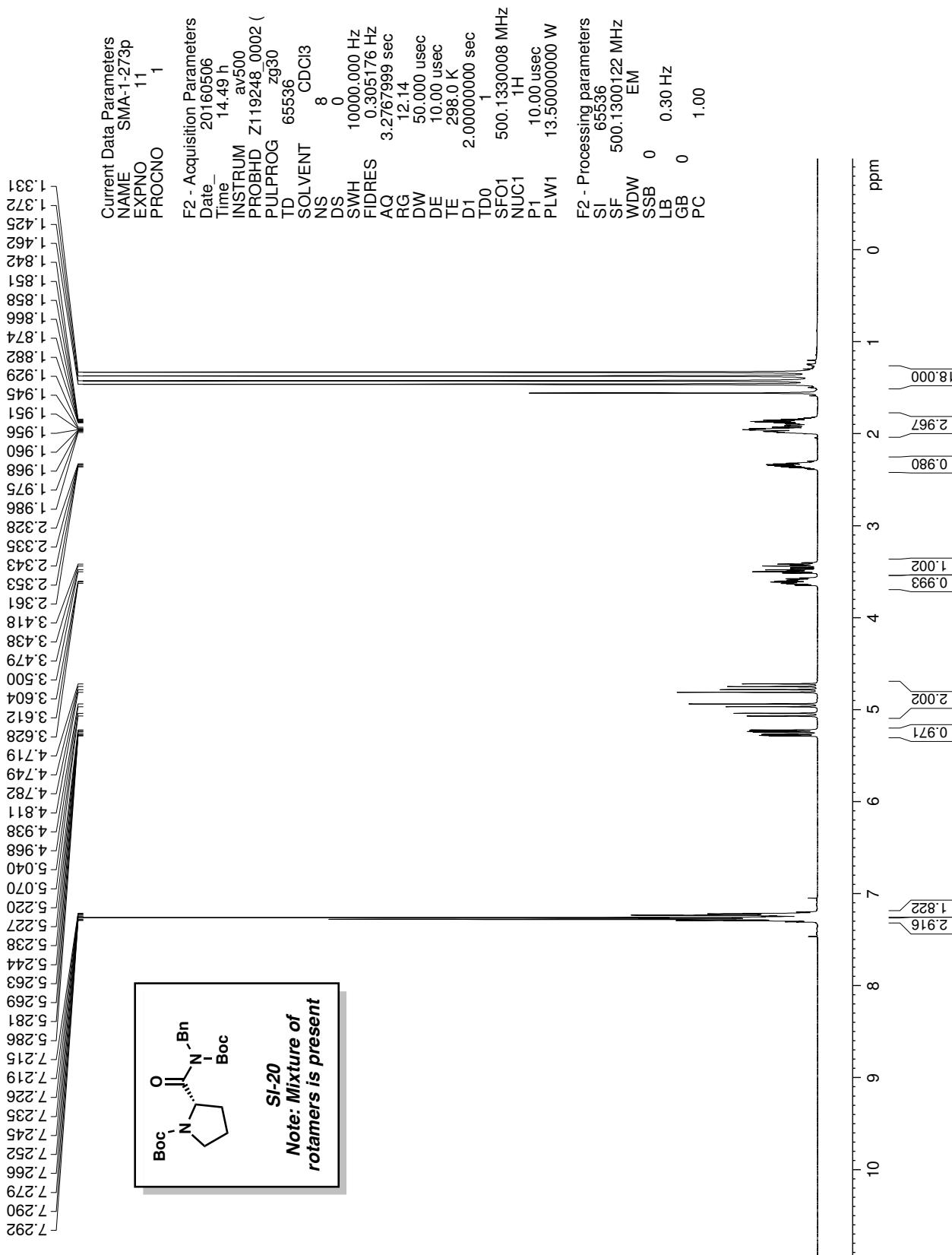


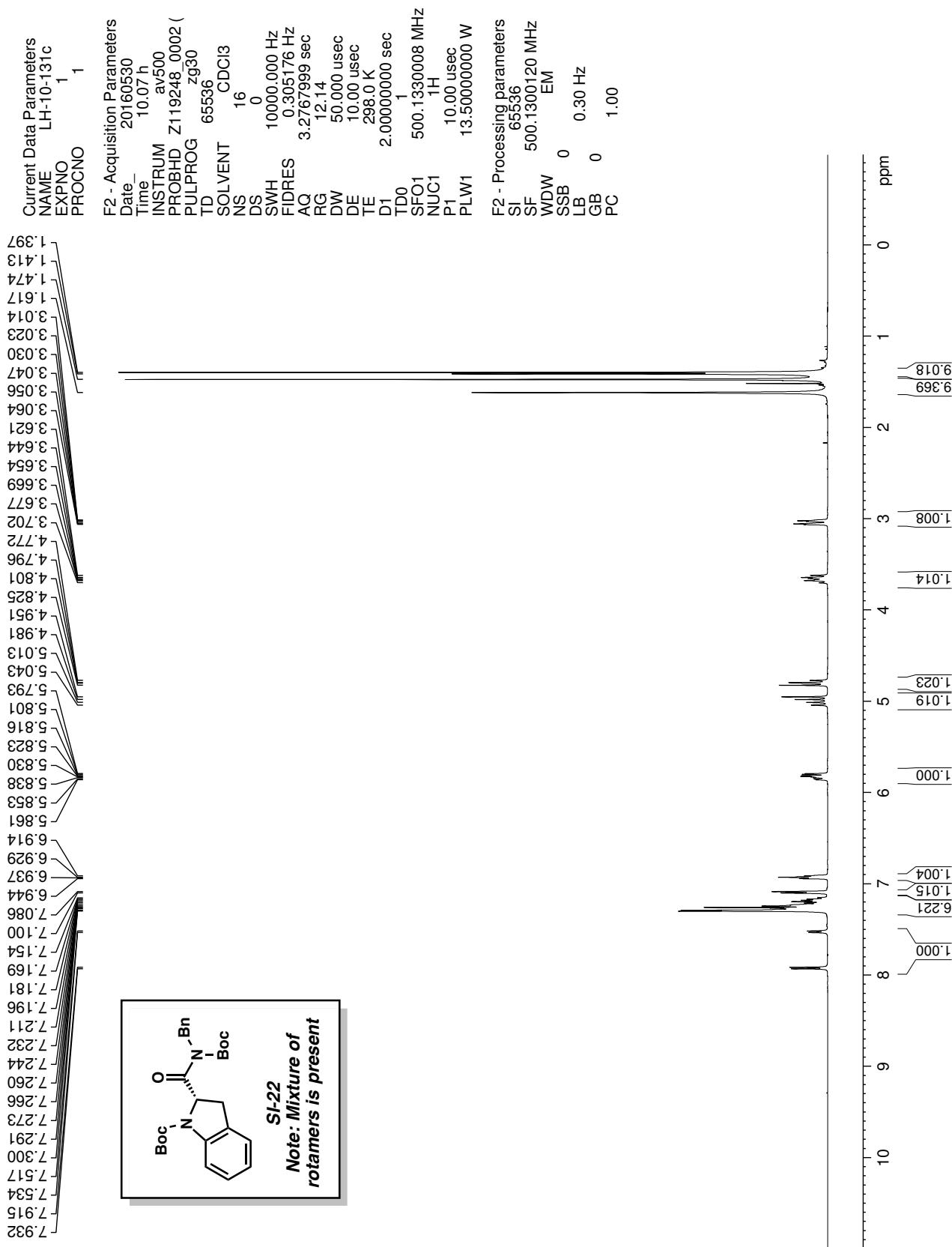


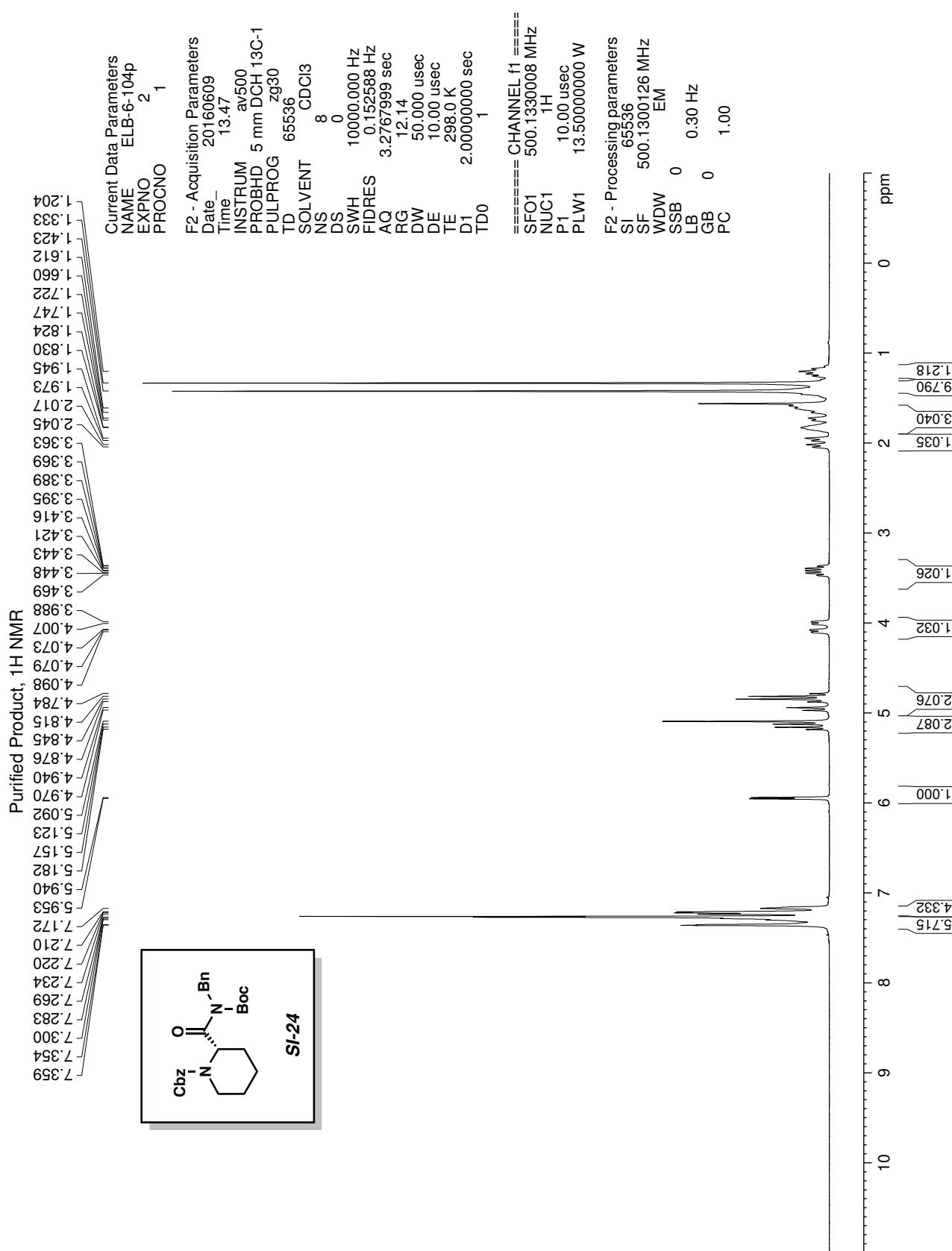


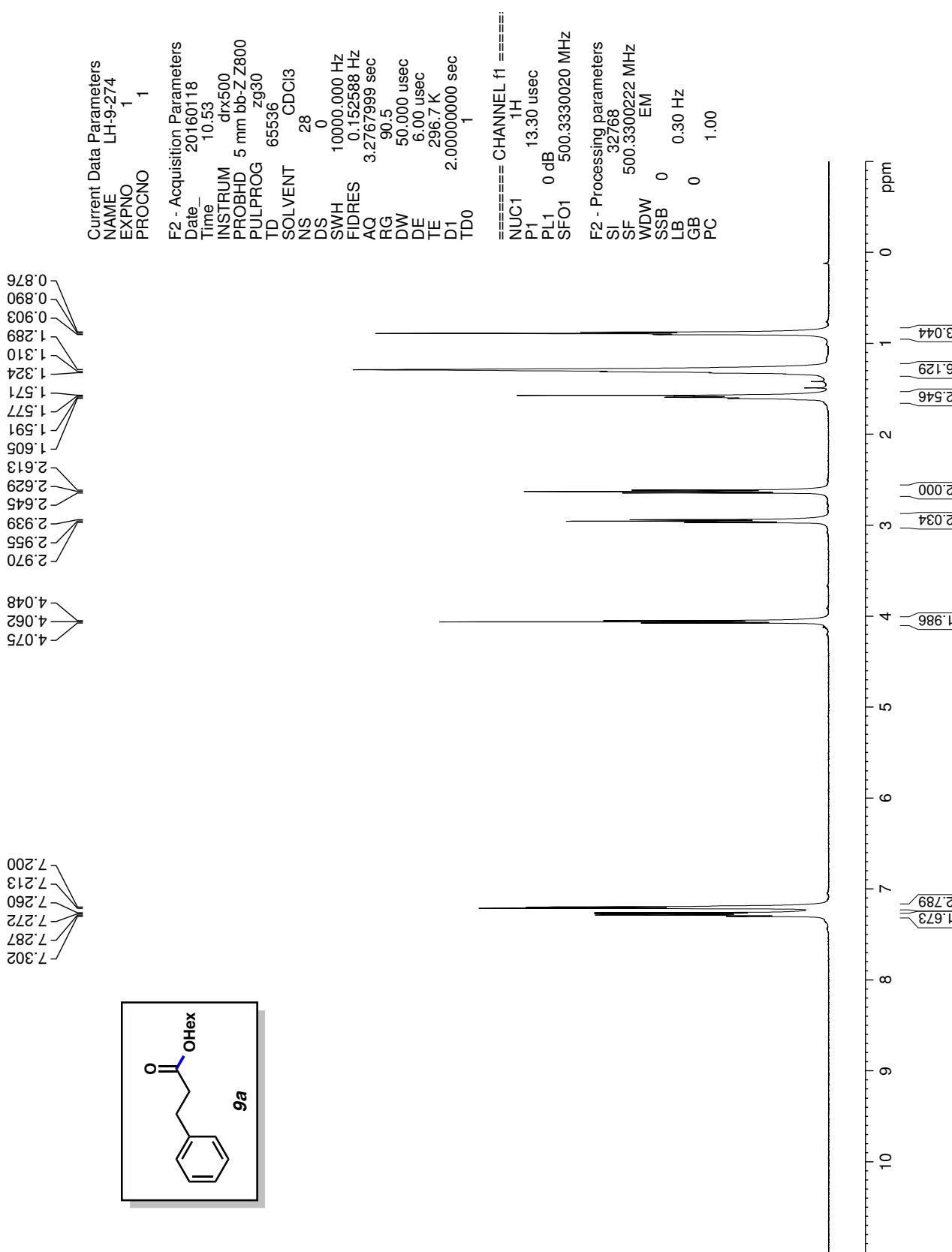
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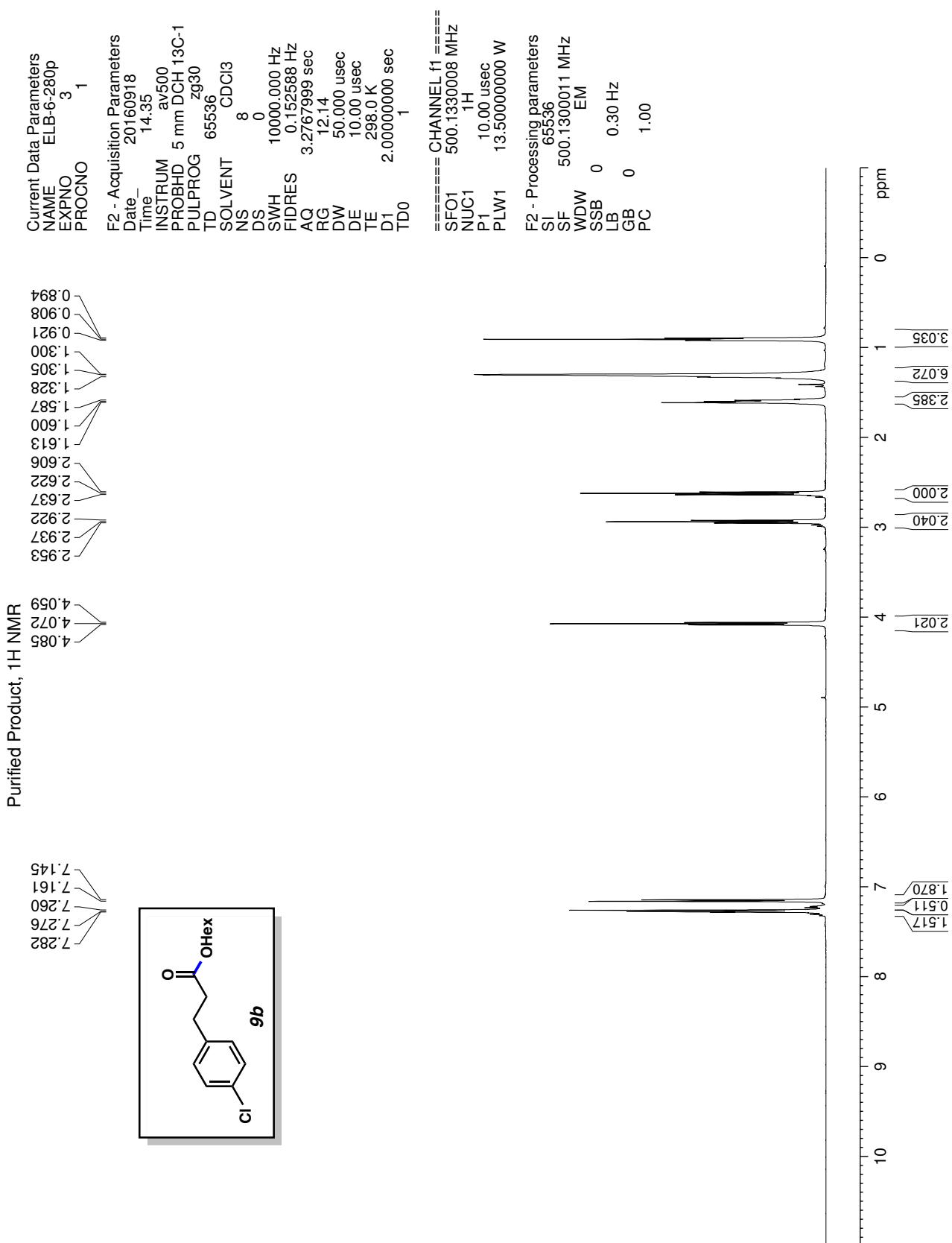


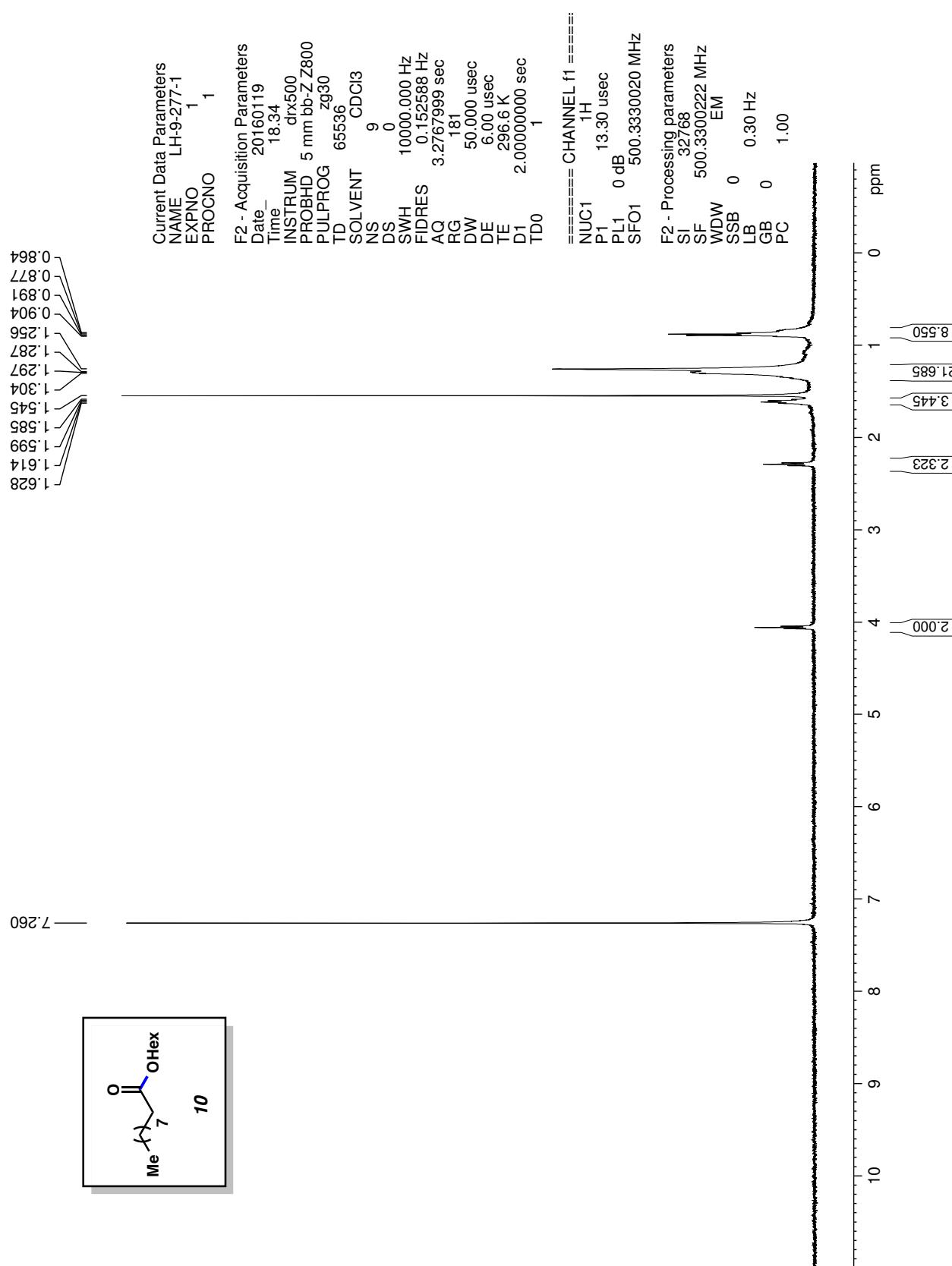


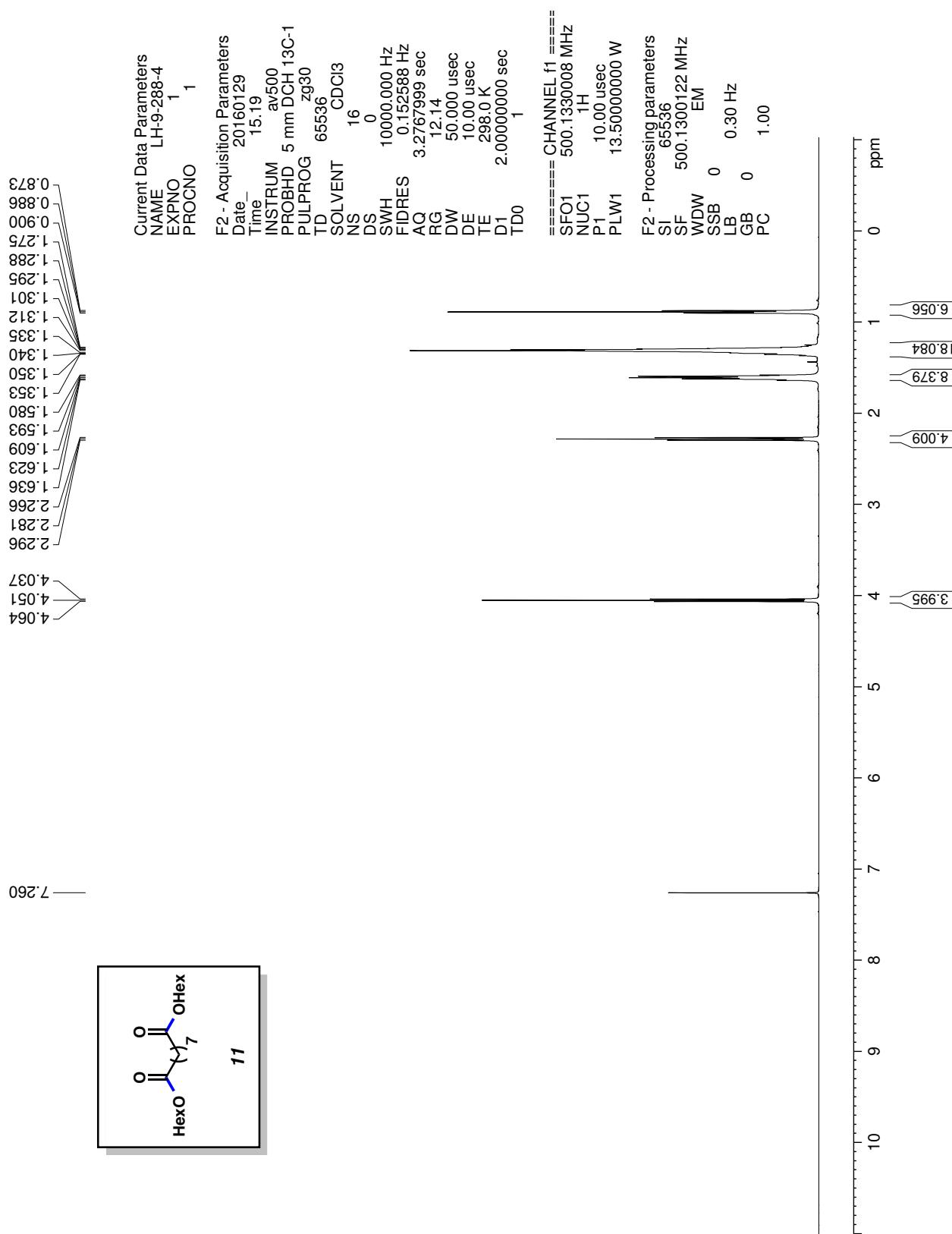


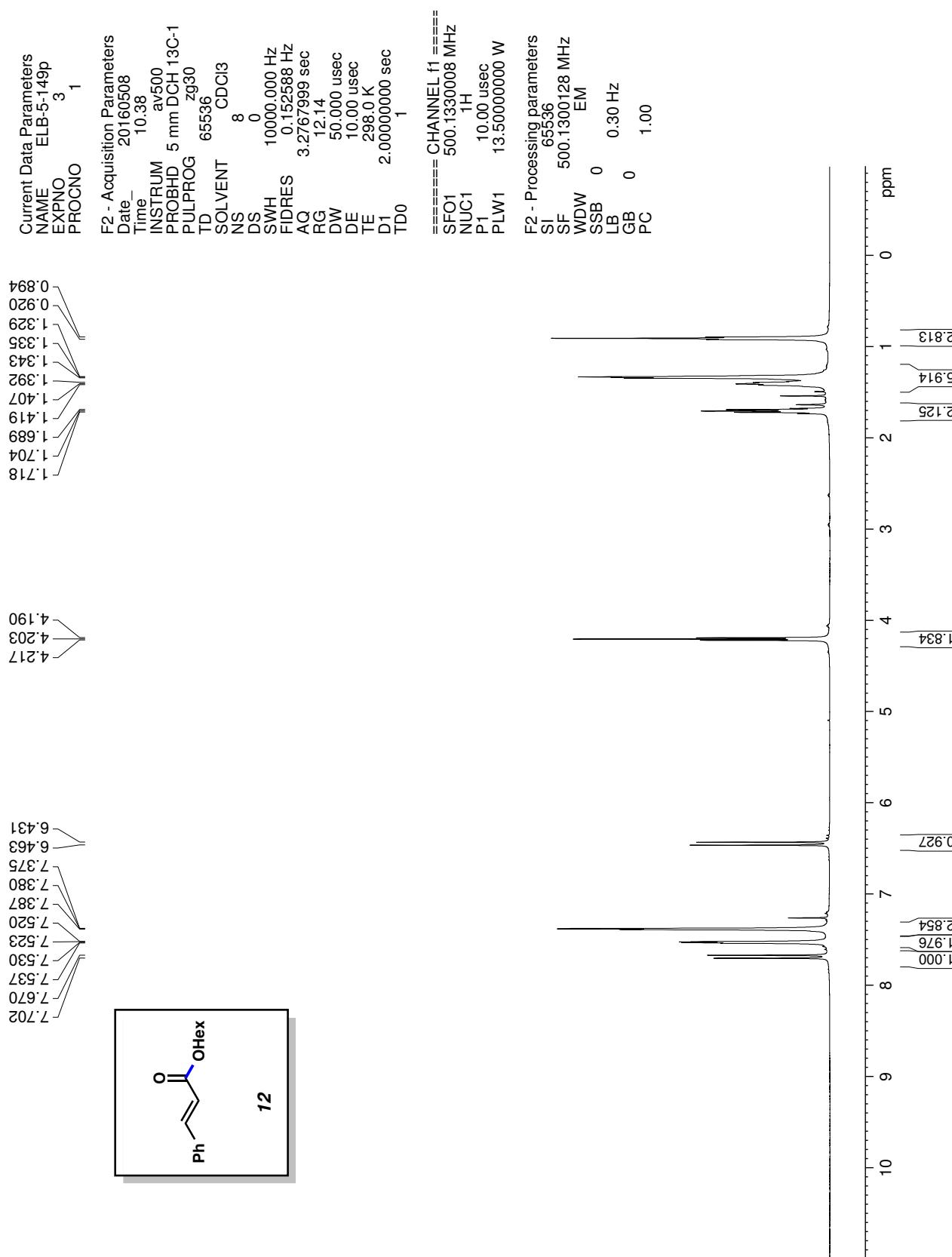


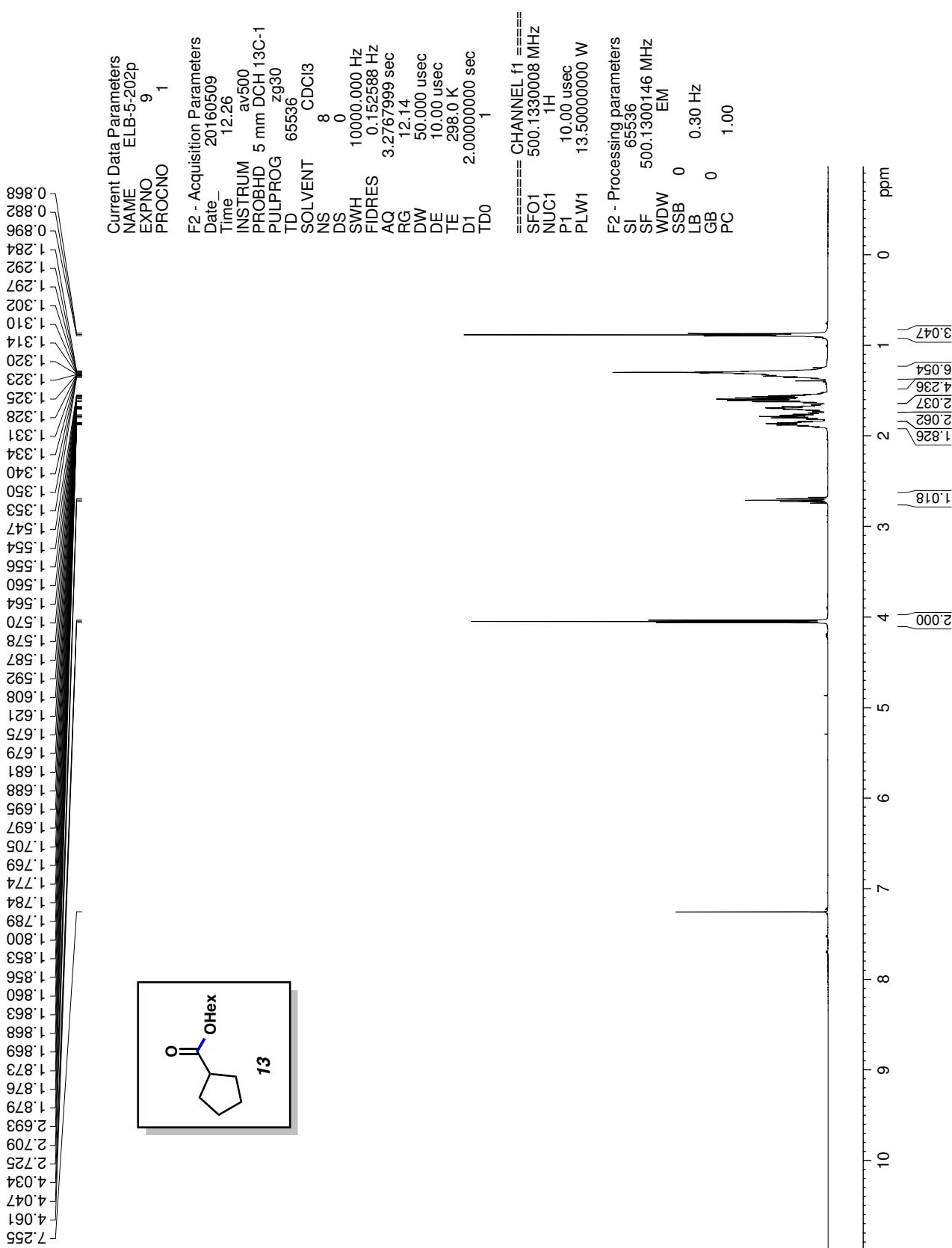


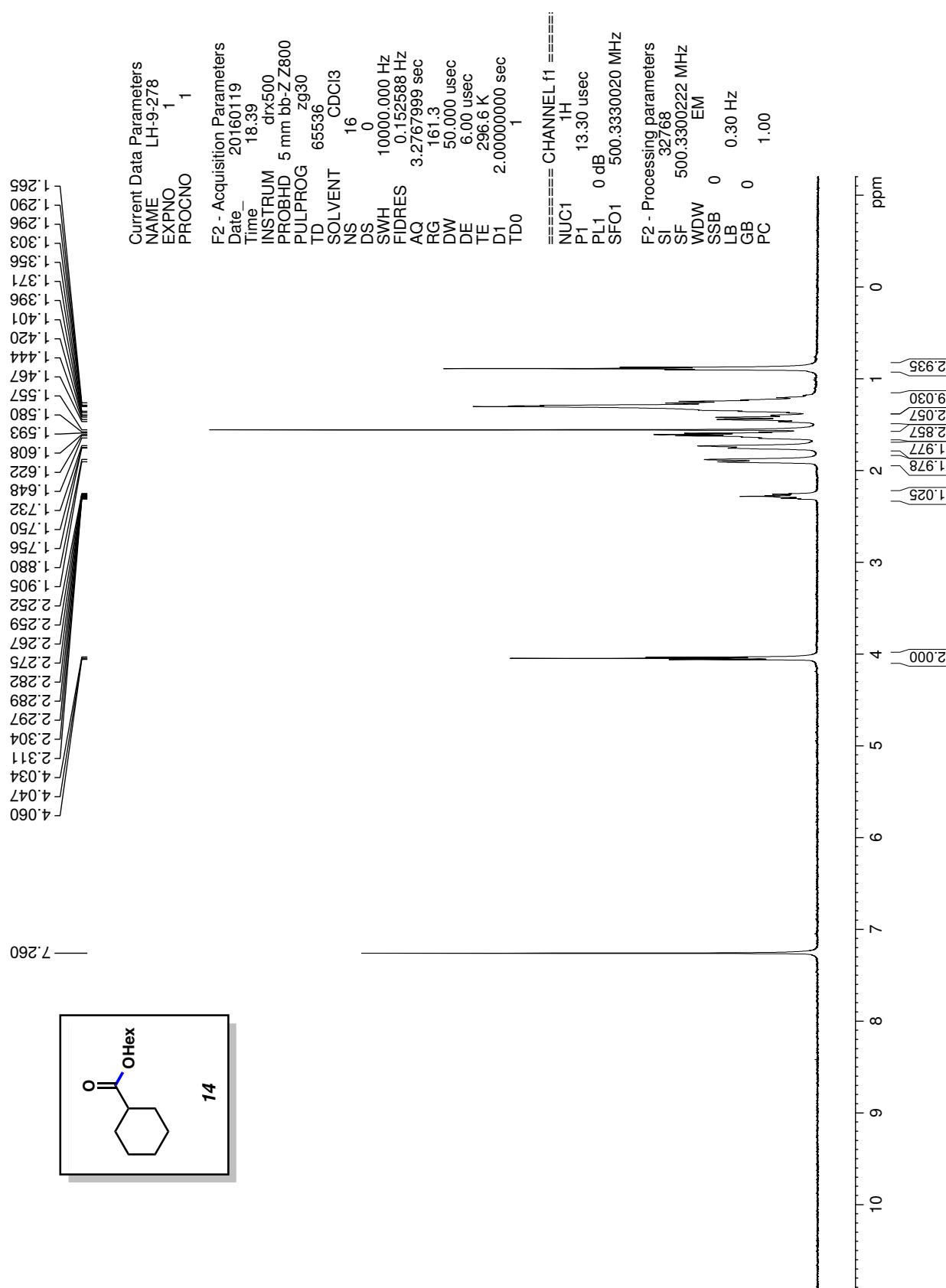


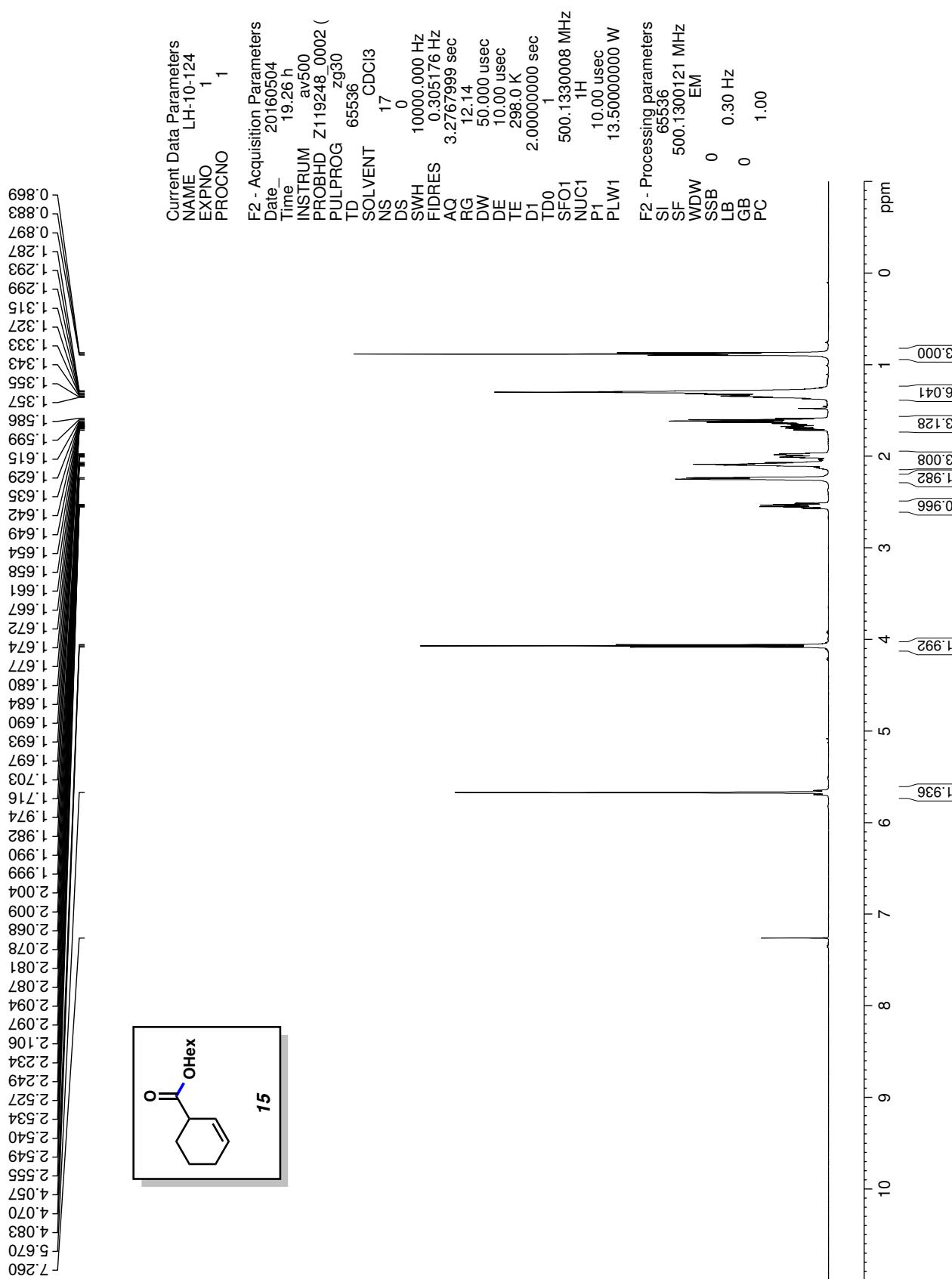


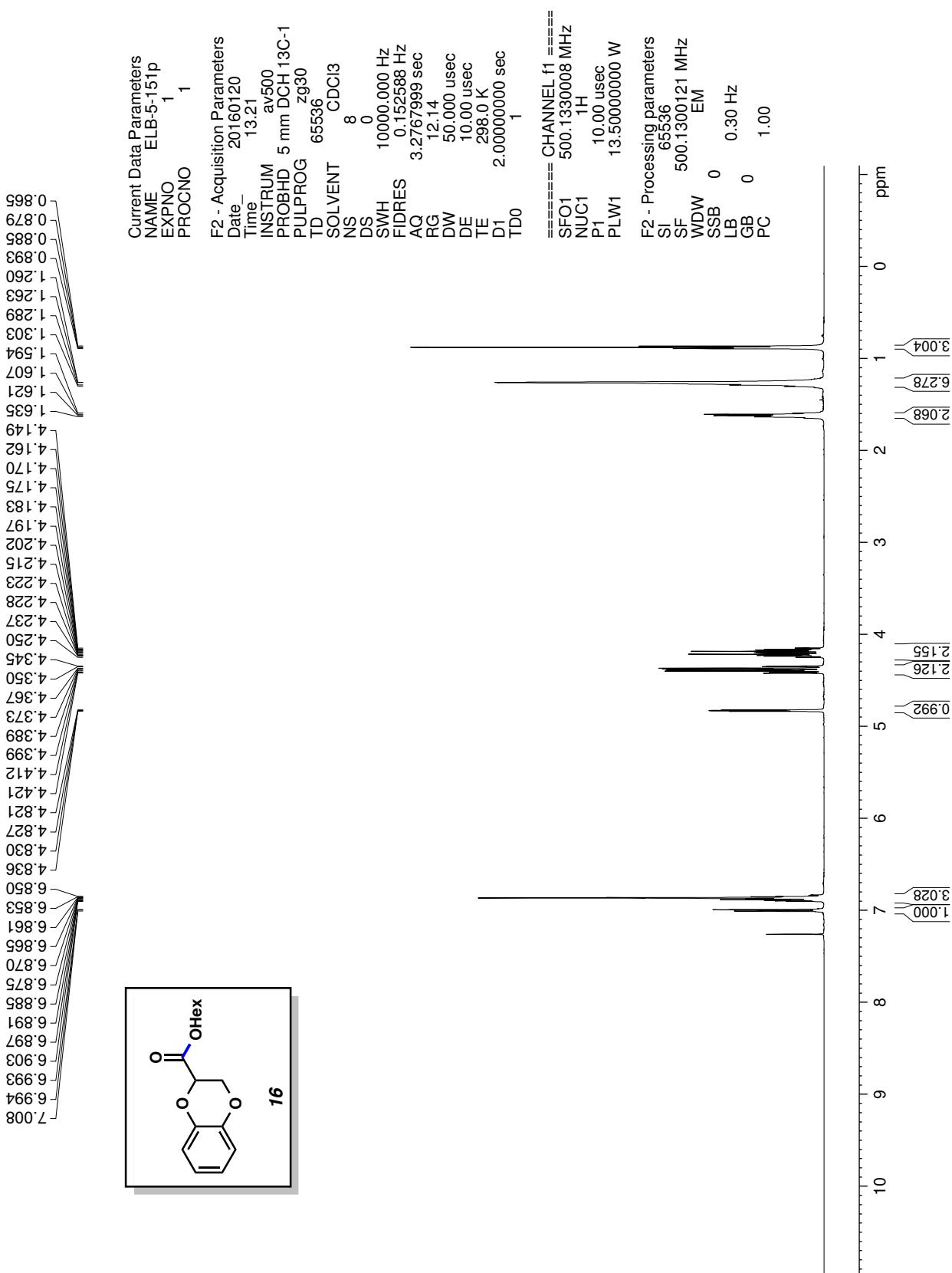


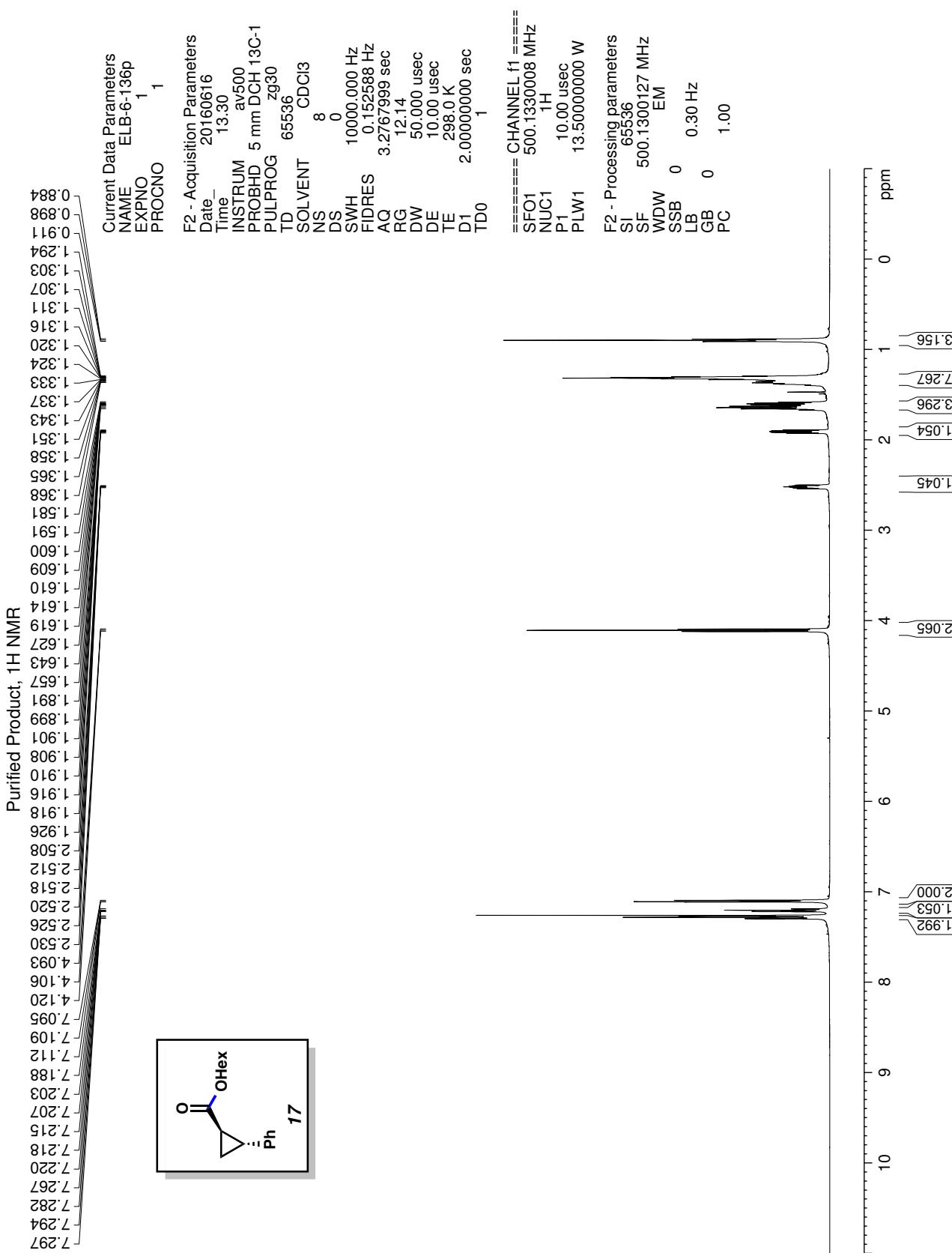


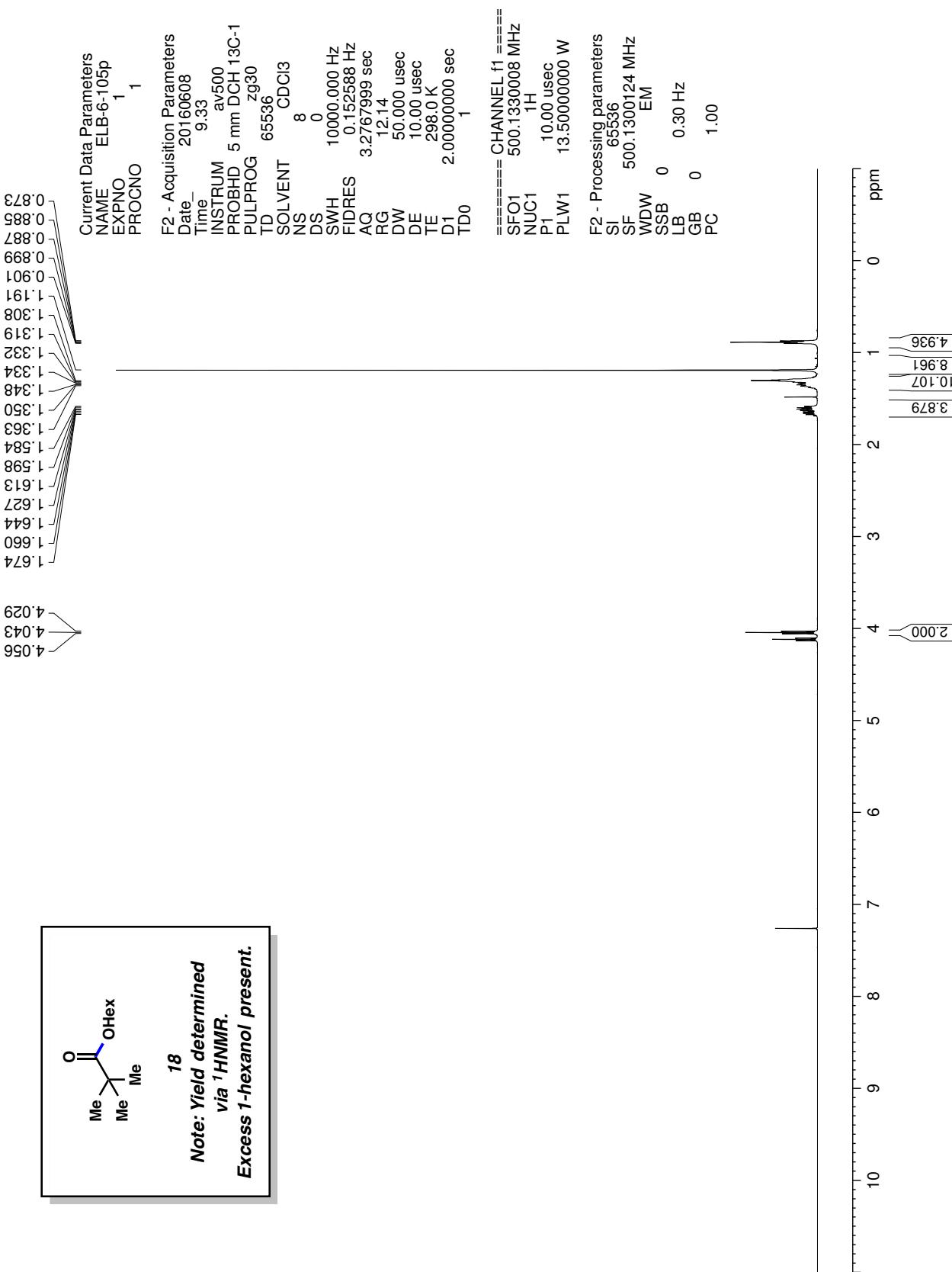


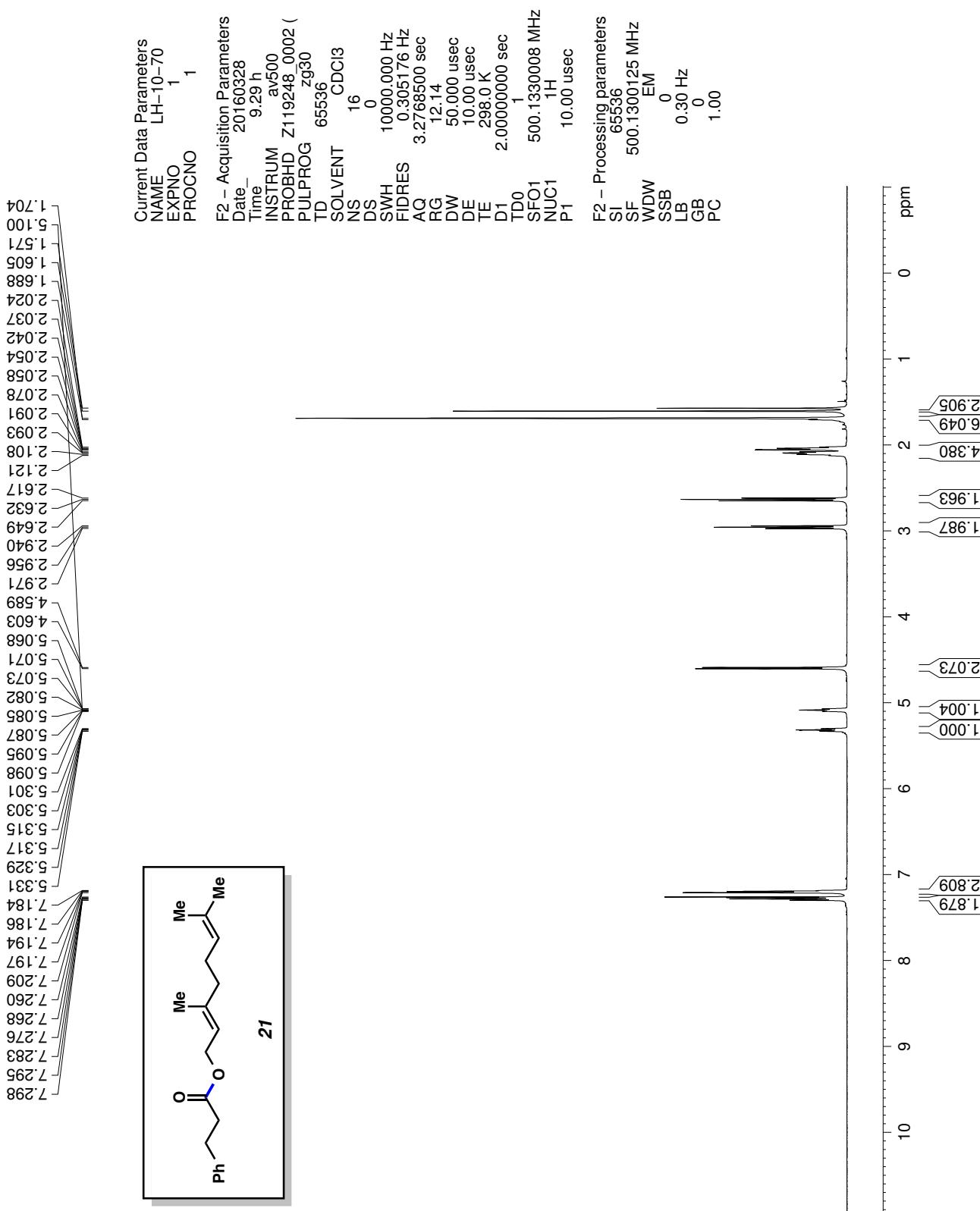


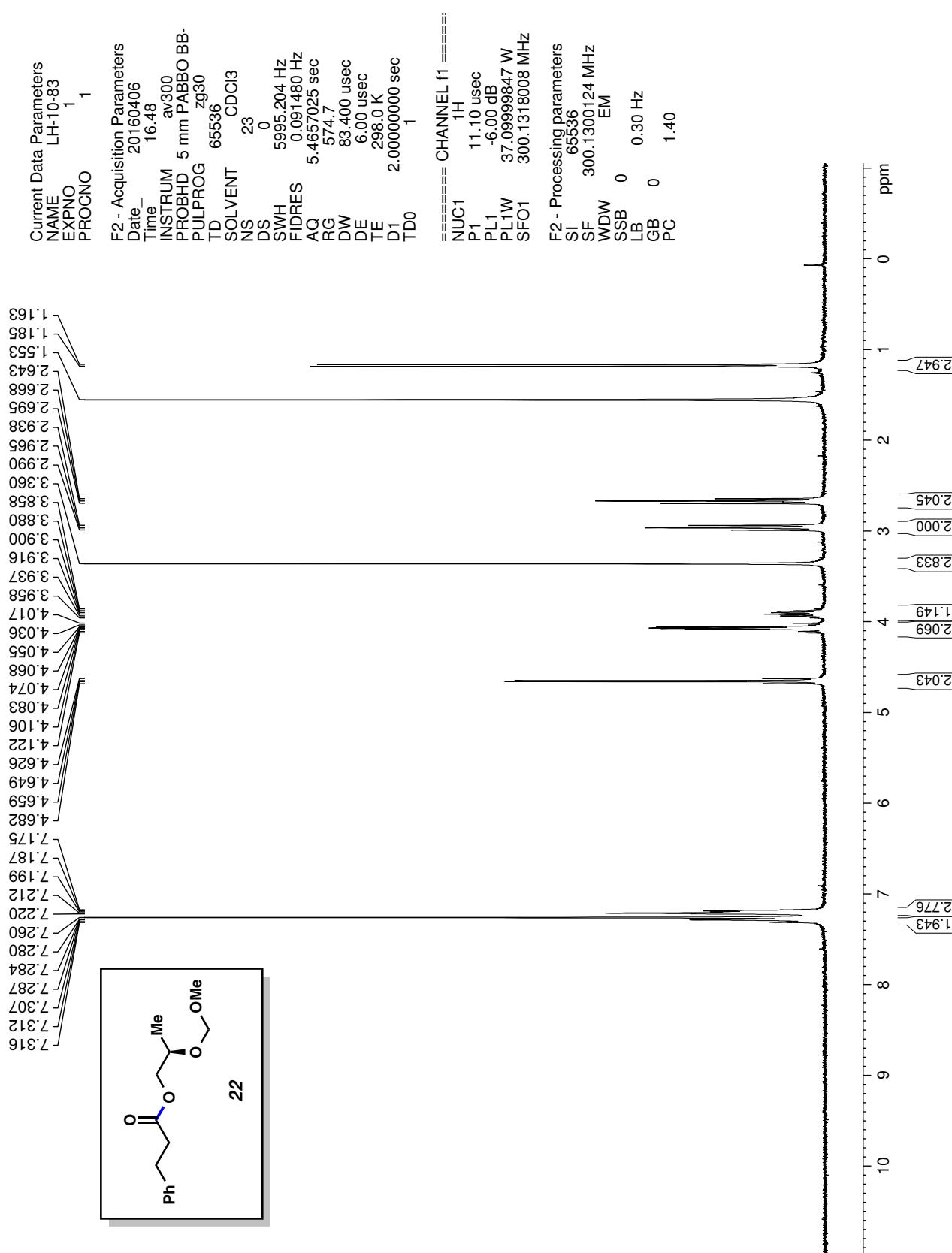


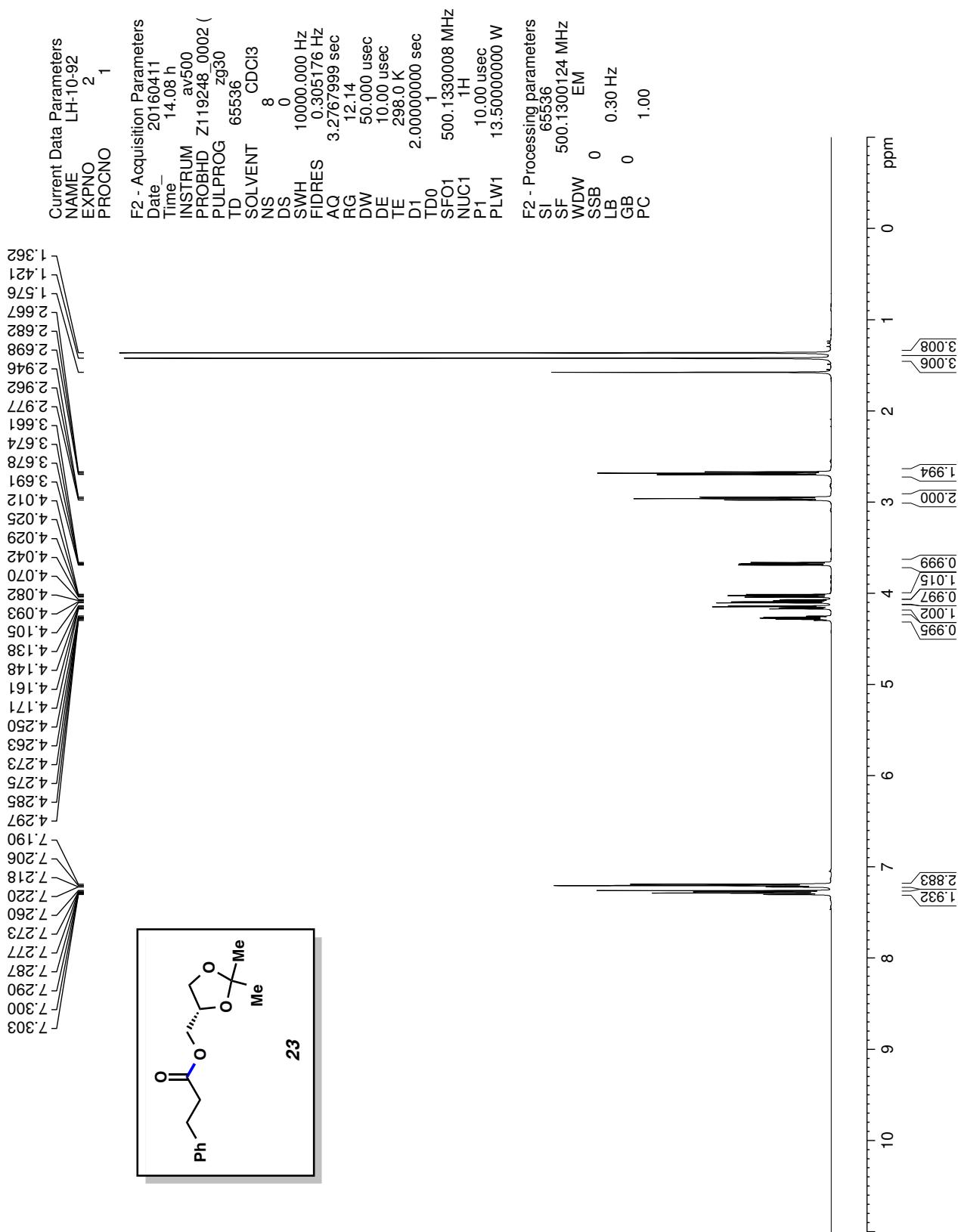


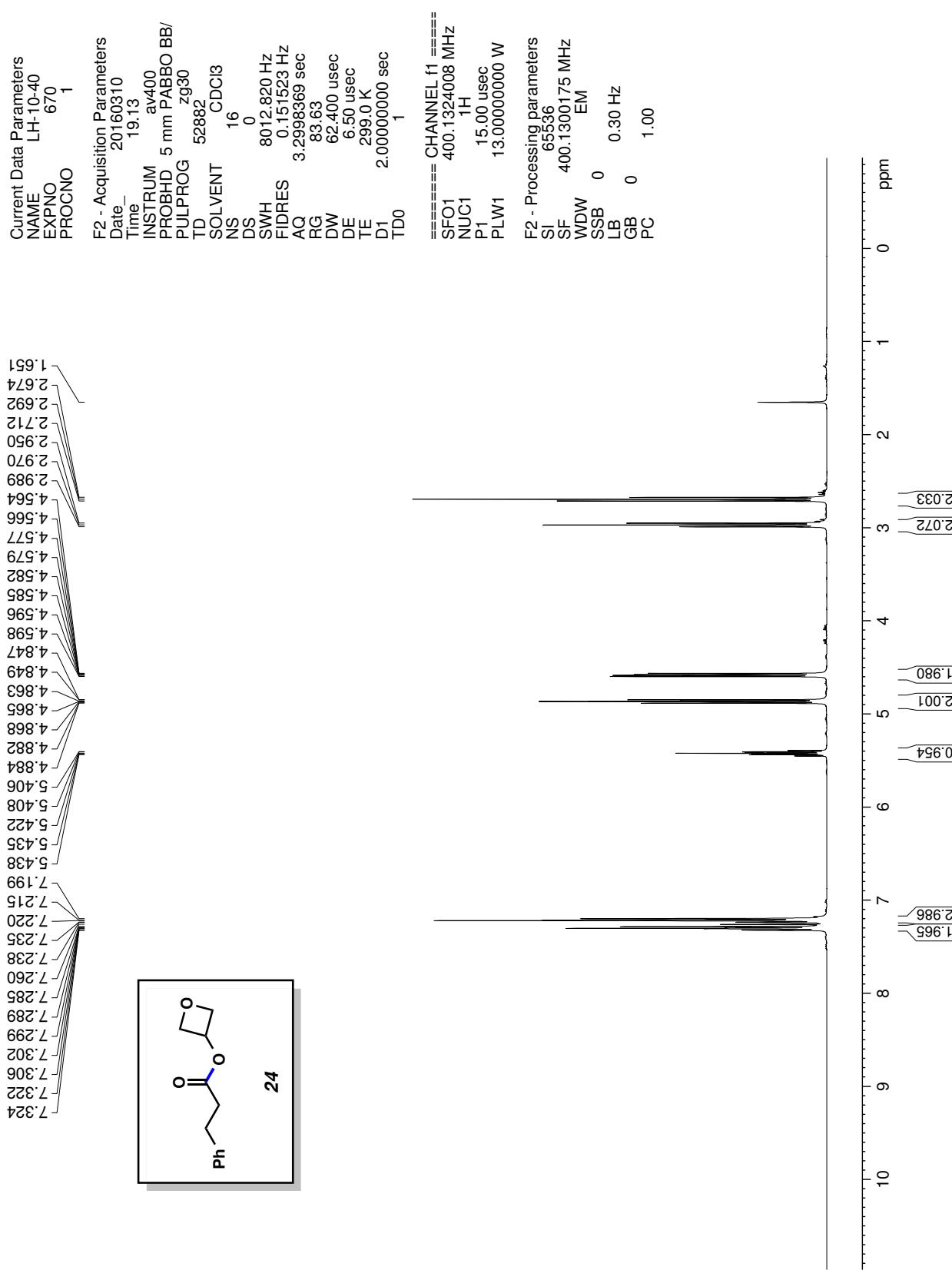


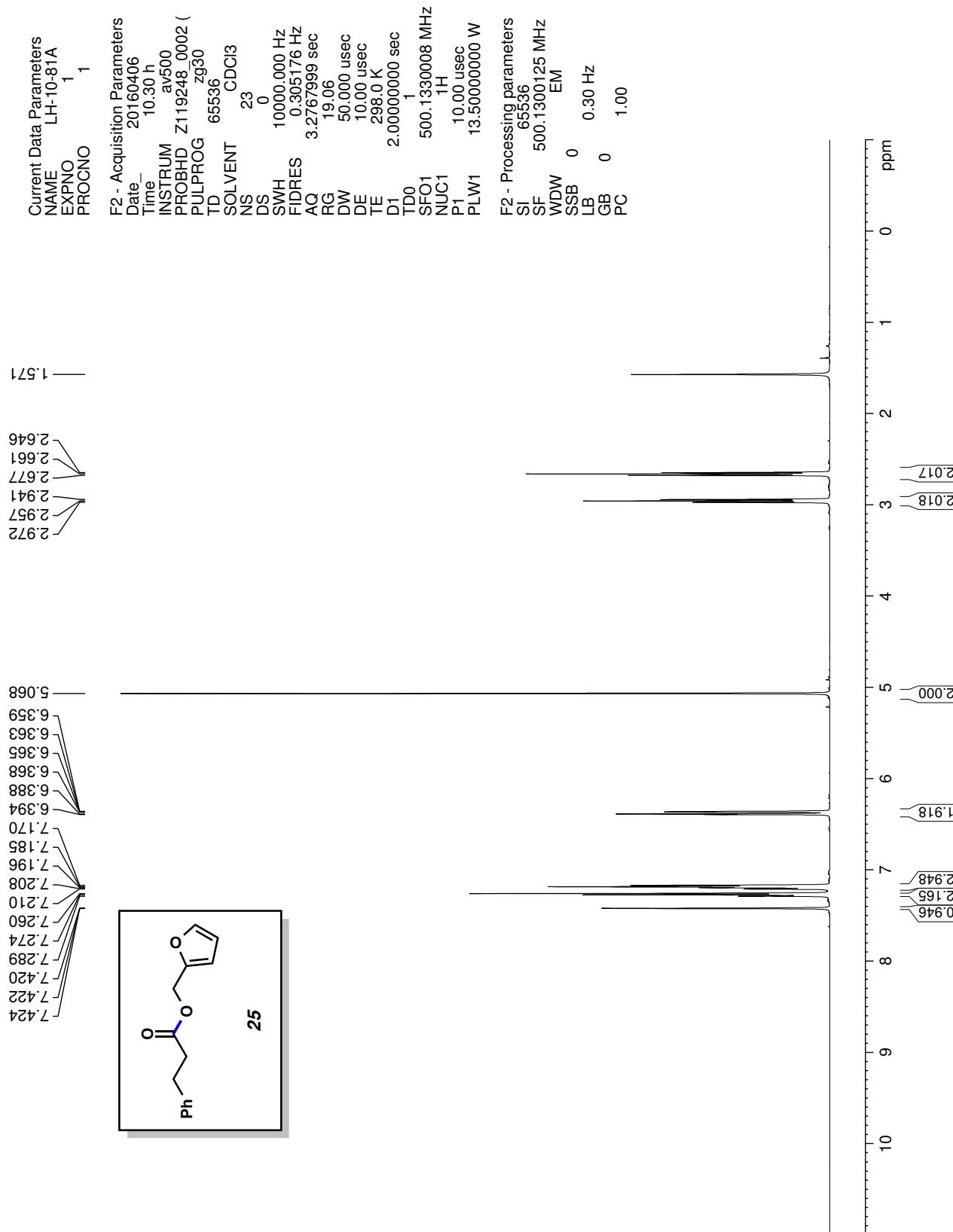
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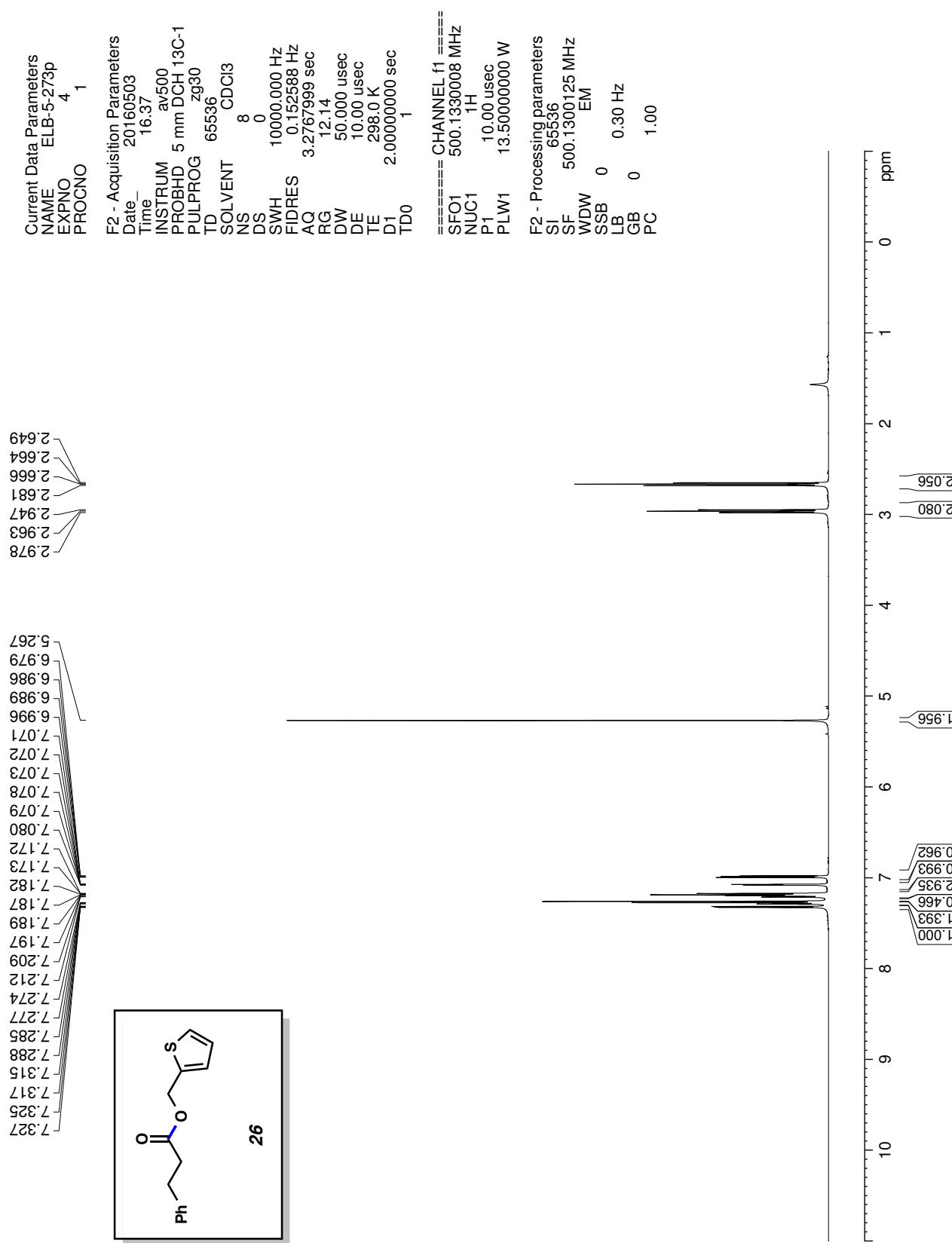


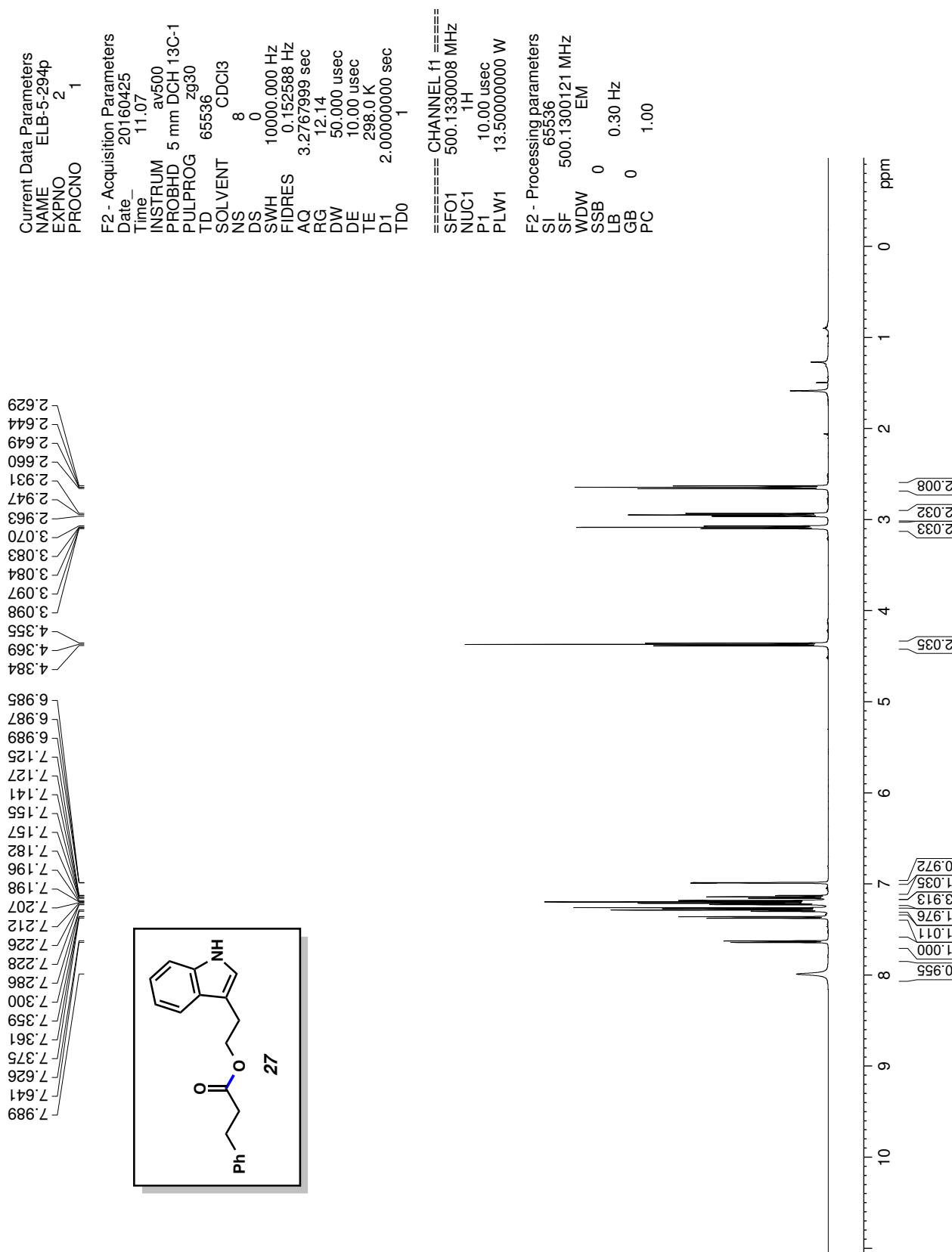


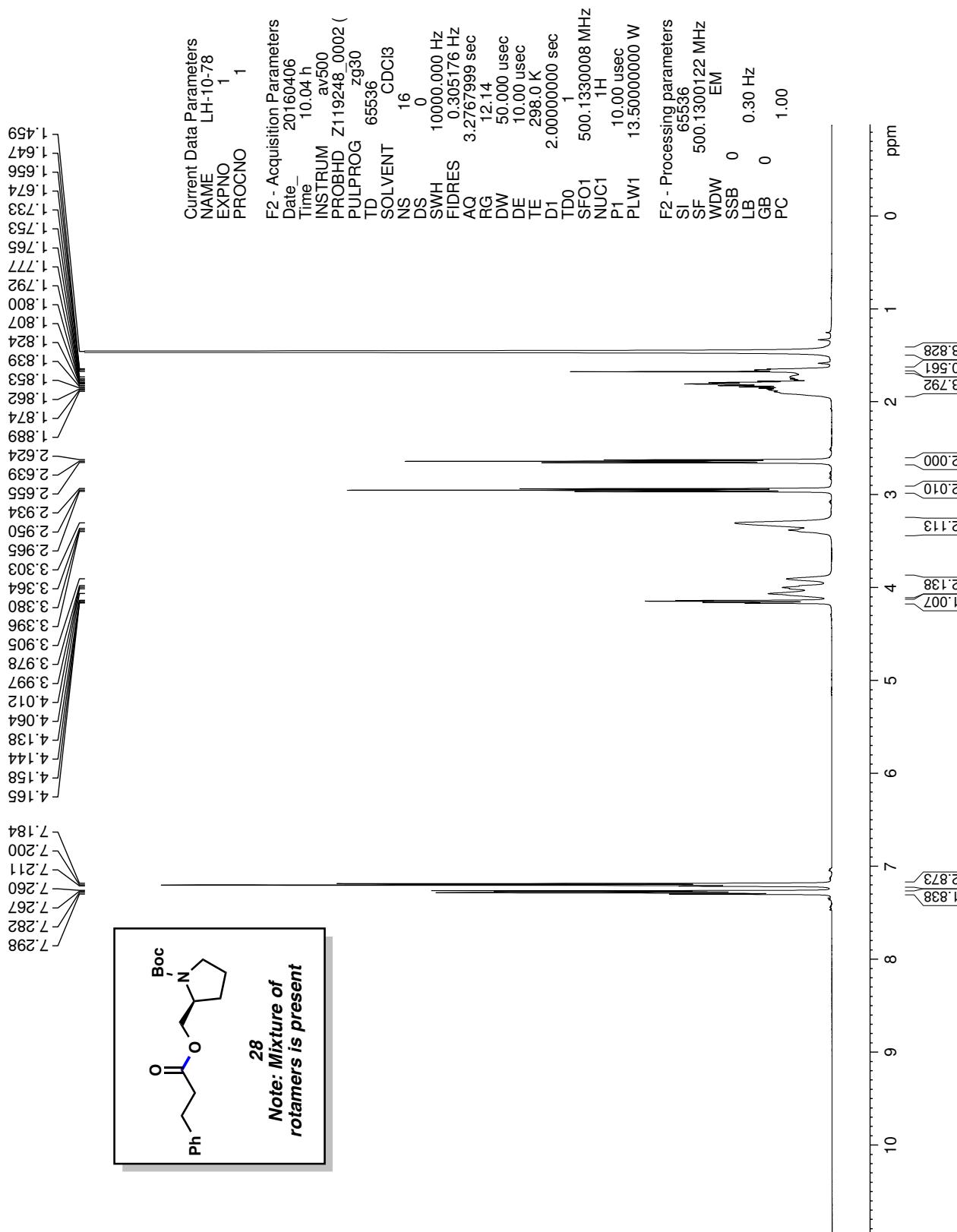


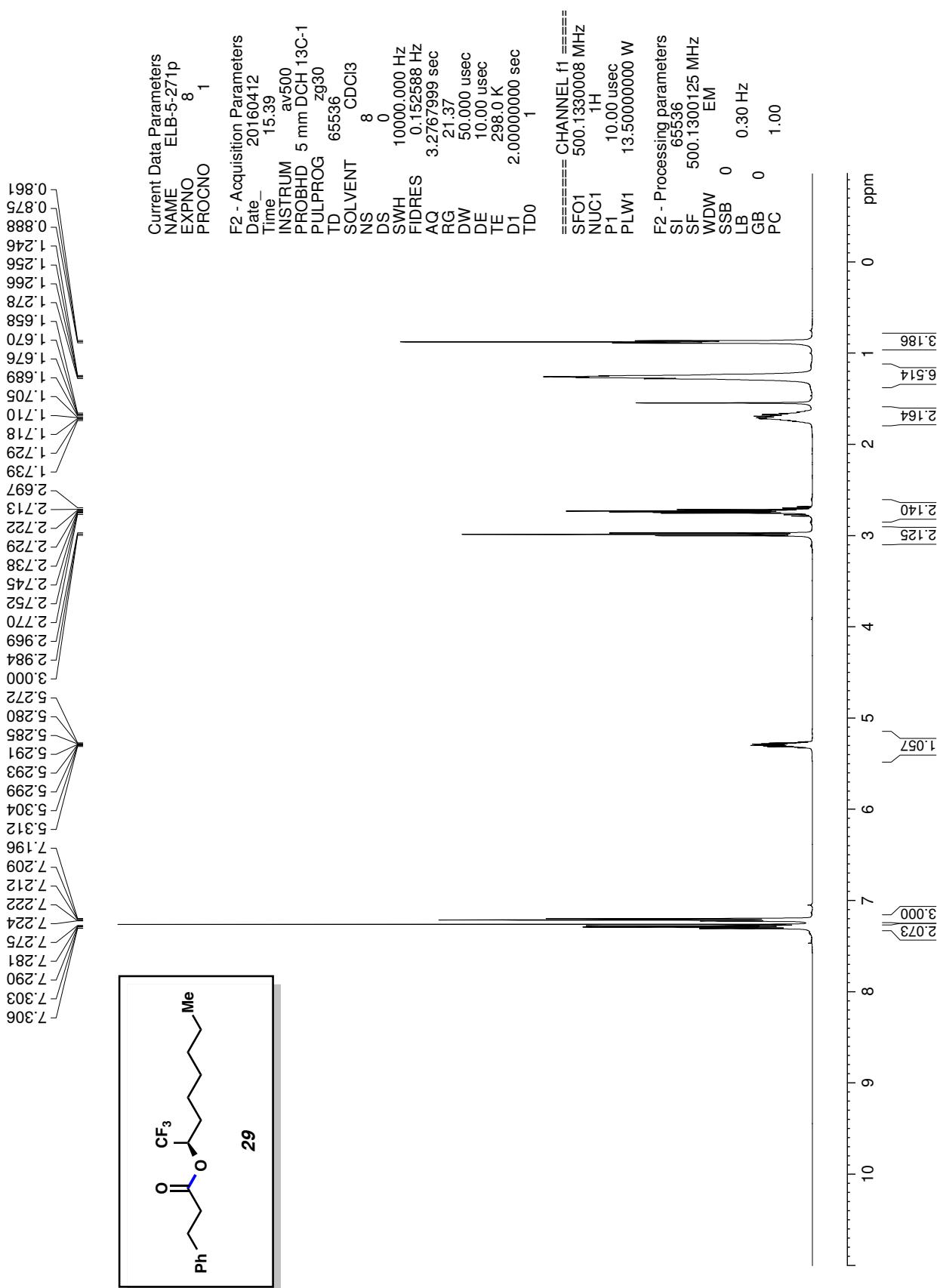


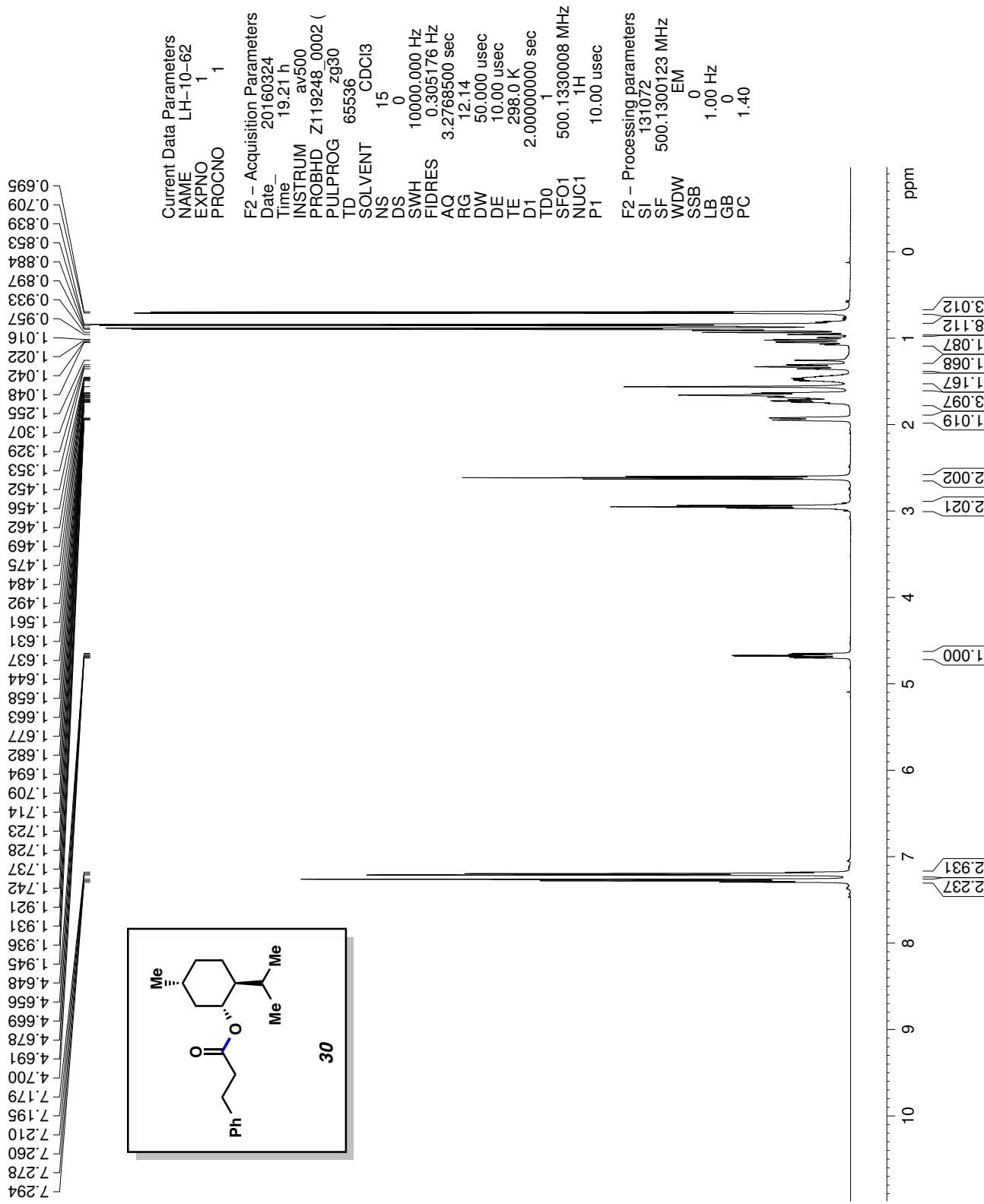


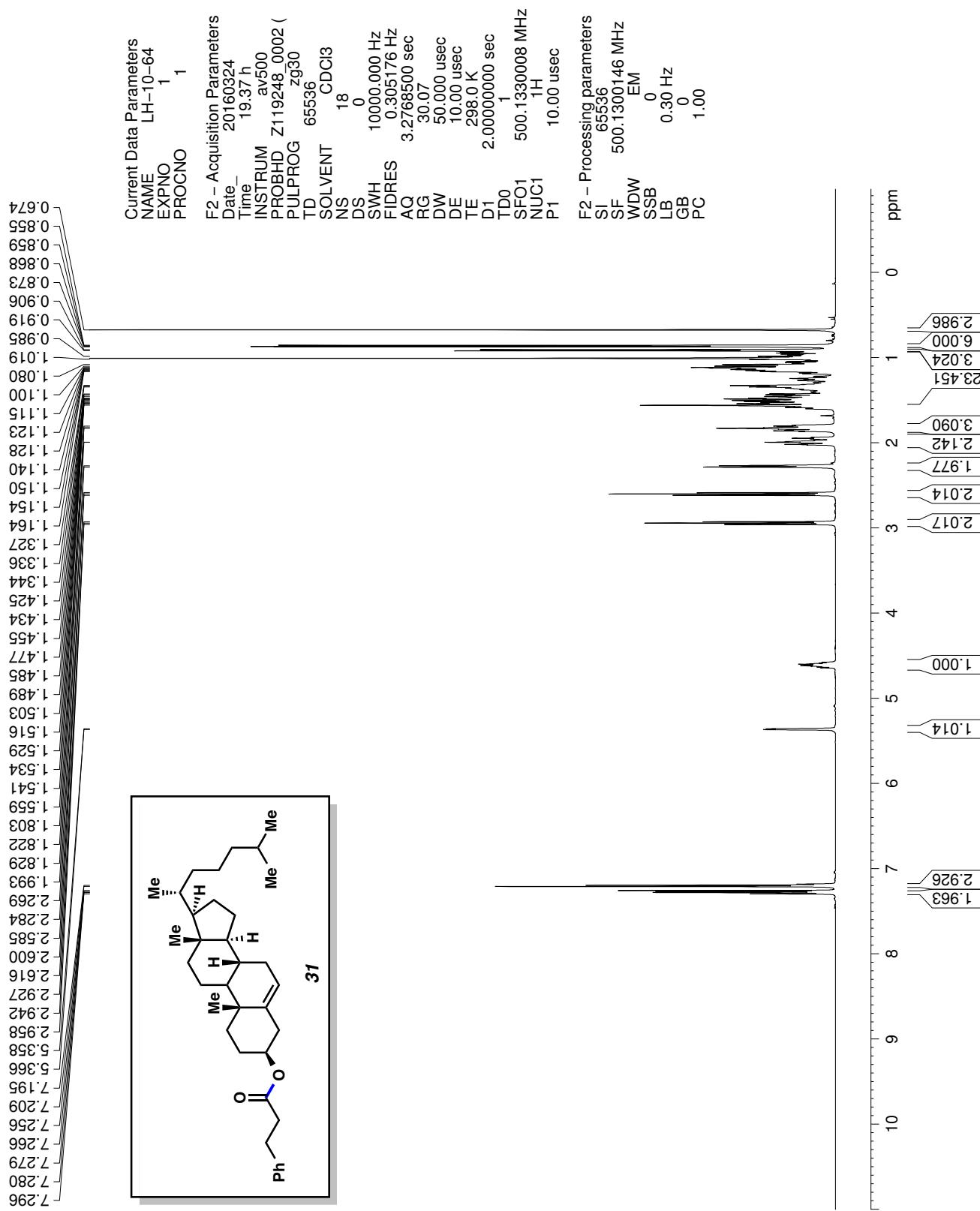


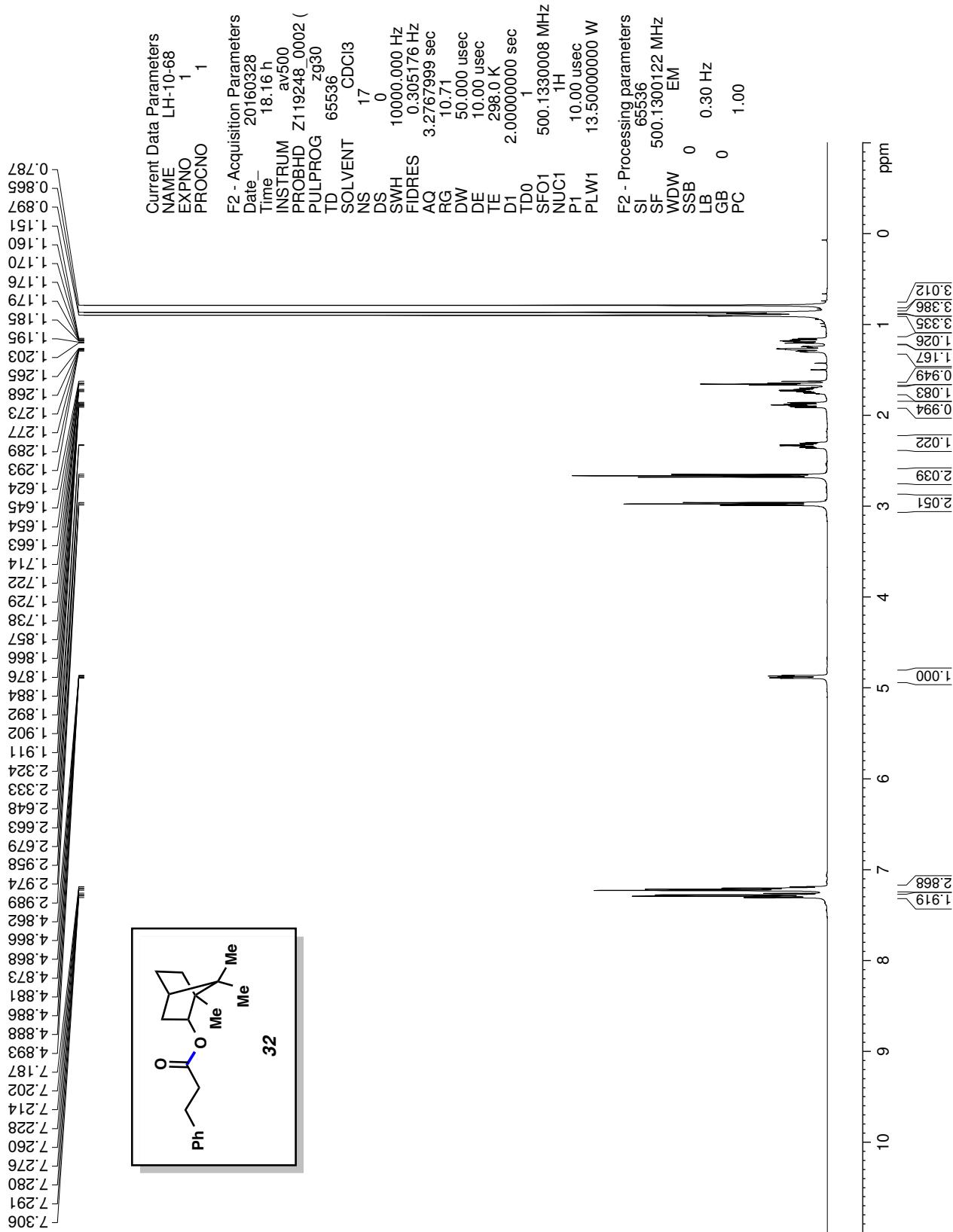


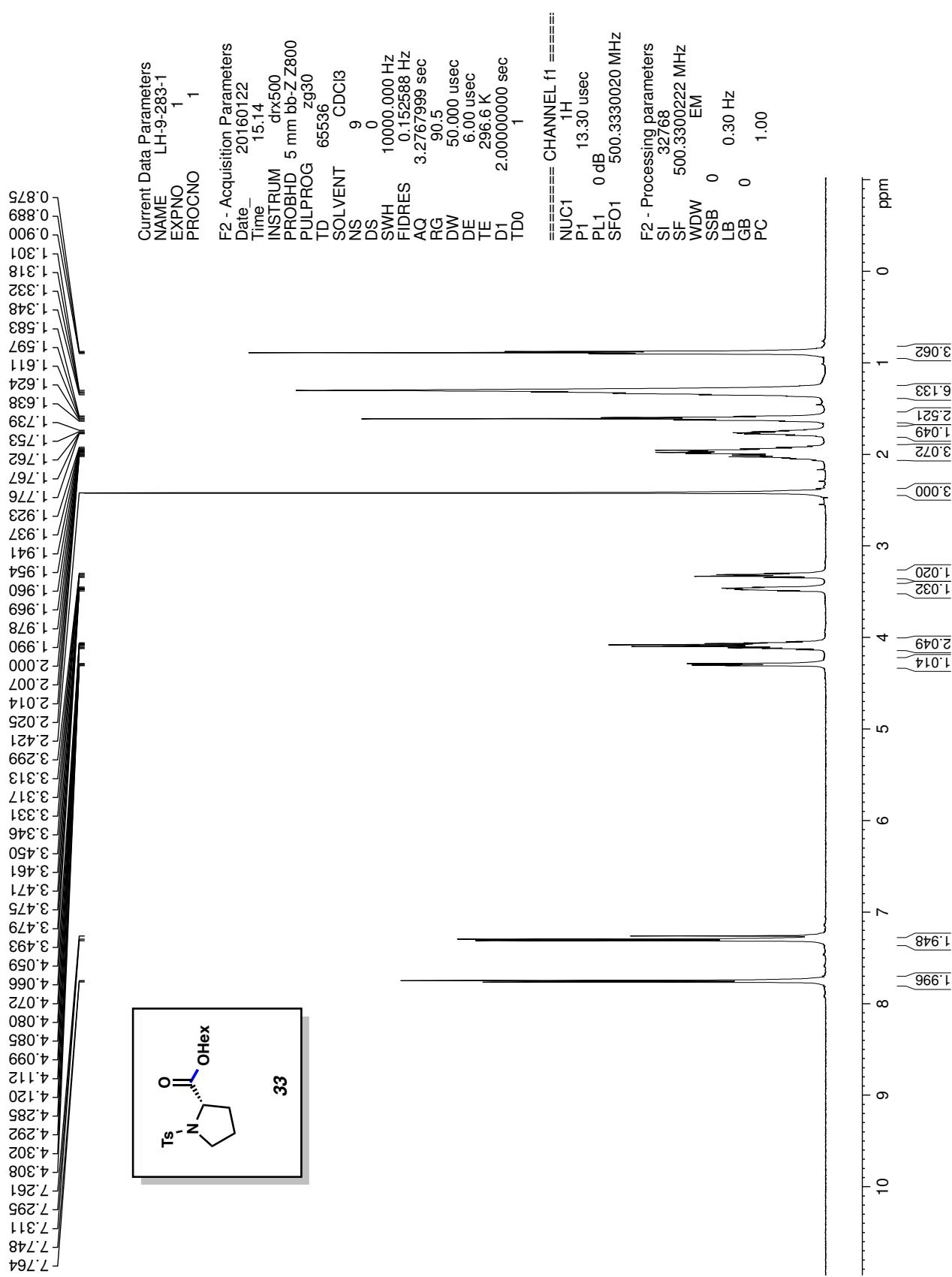


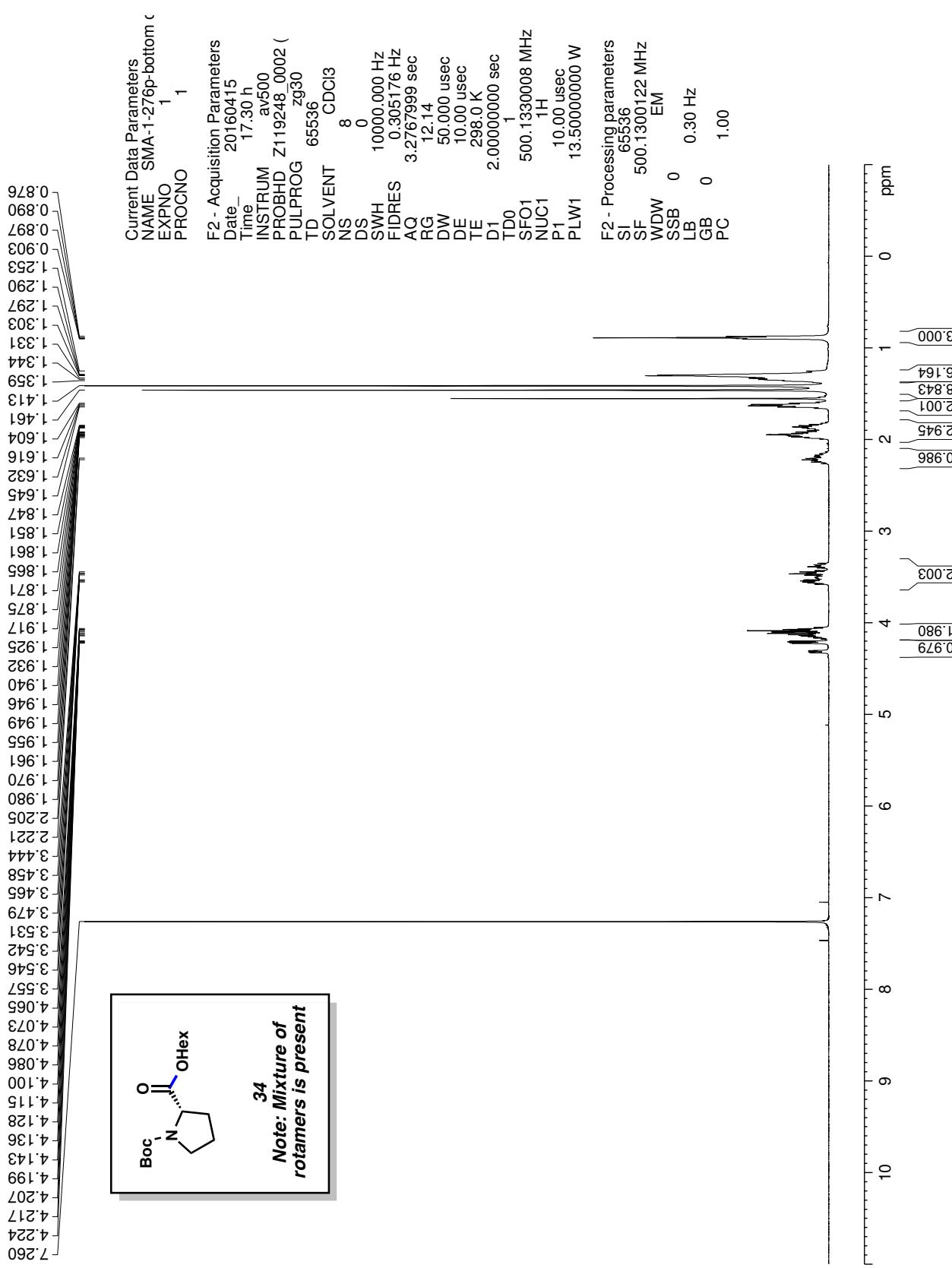


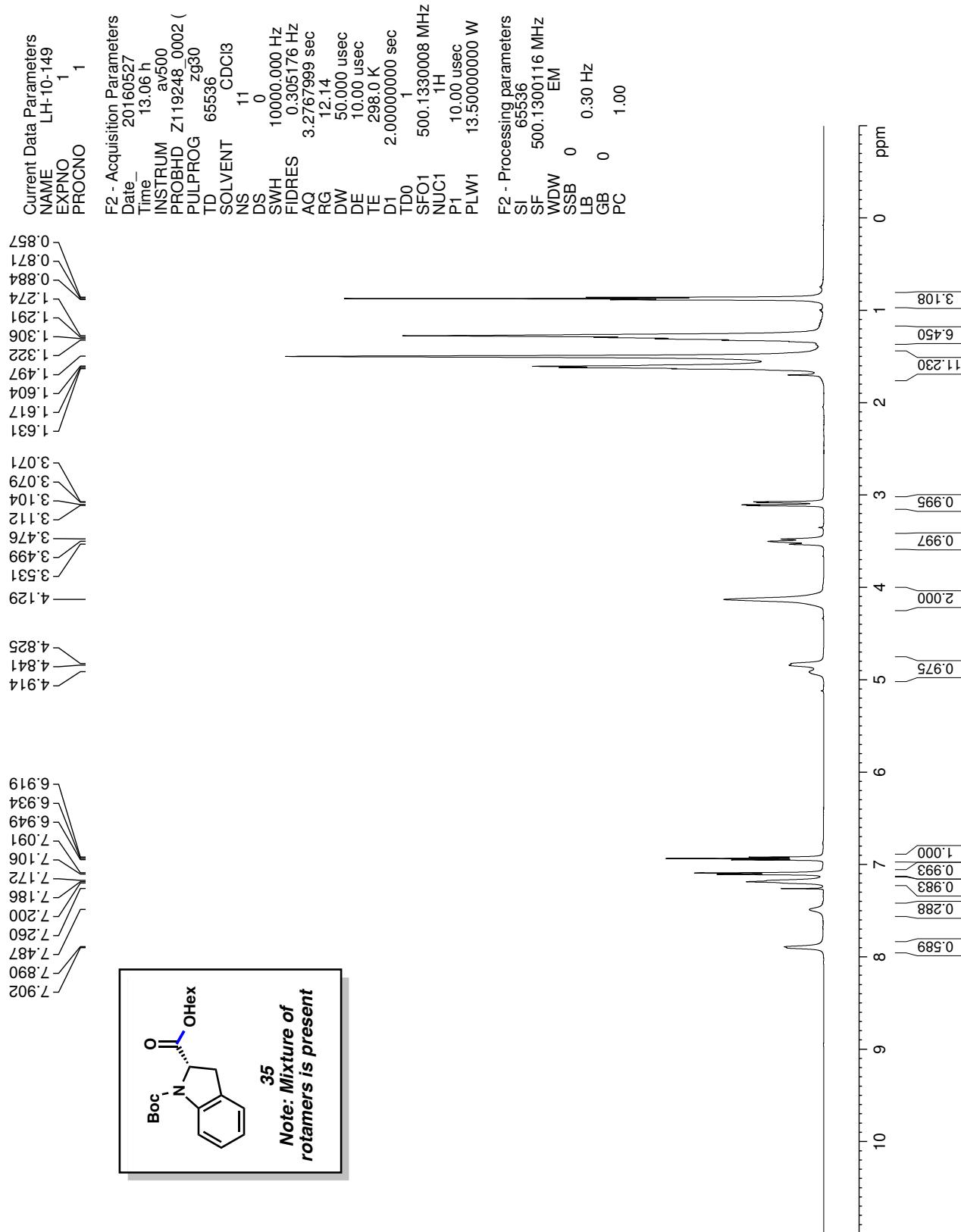


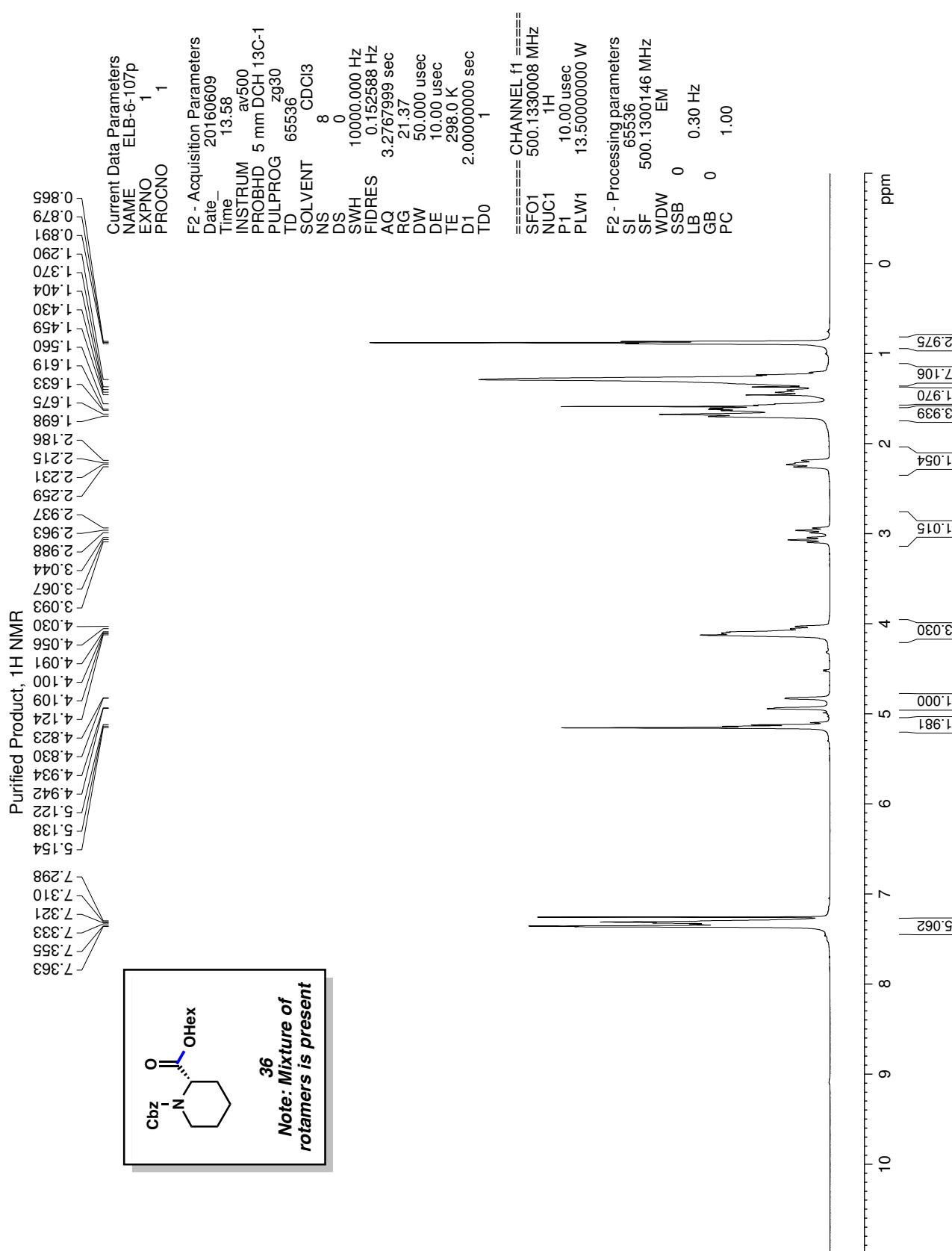












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