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## ***In vivo photoacoustic tumor tomography using a quinoline-annulated porphyrin as NIR molecular contrast agent***

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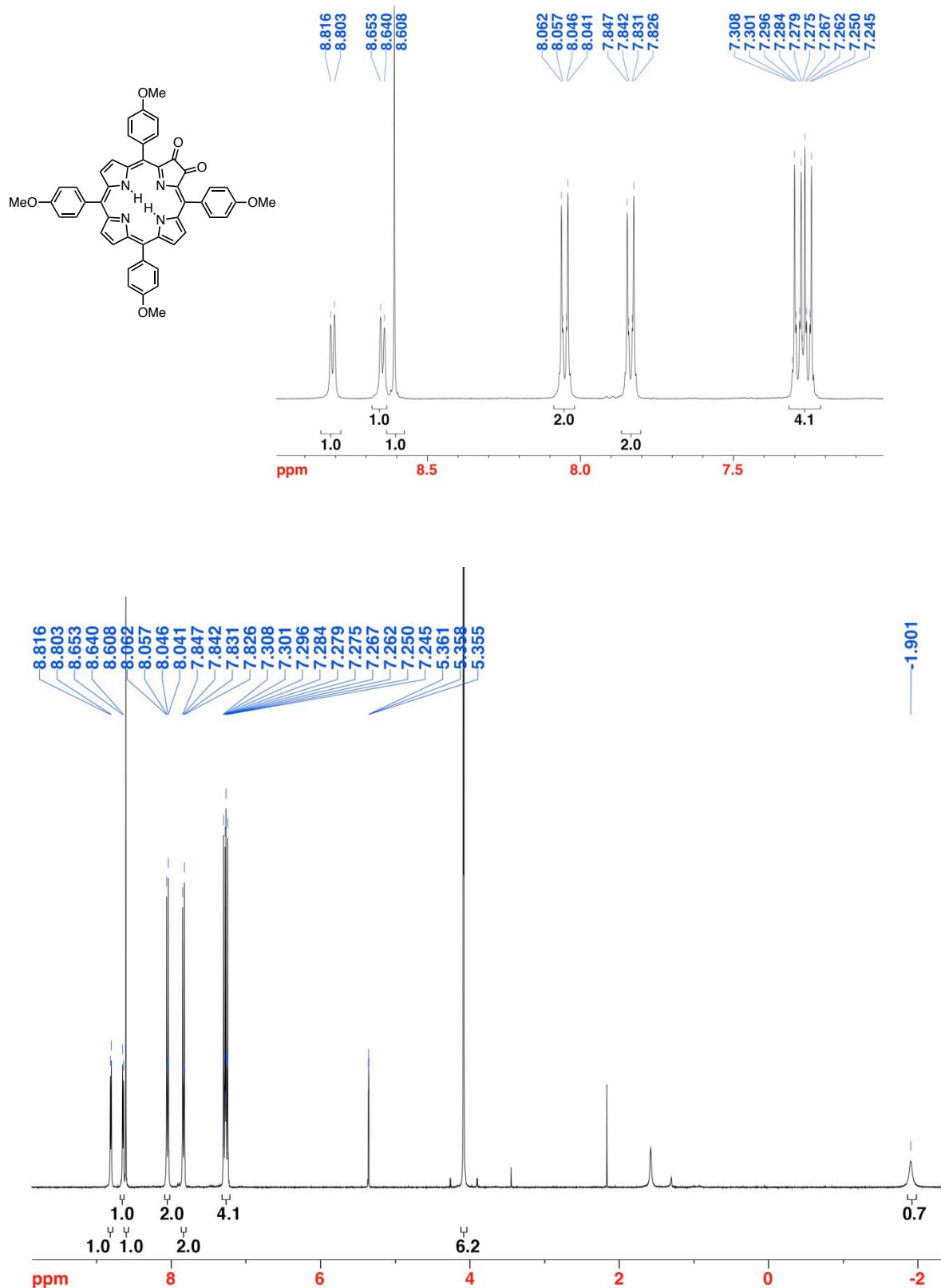
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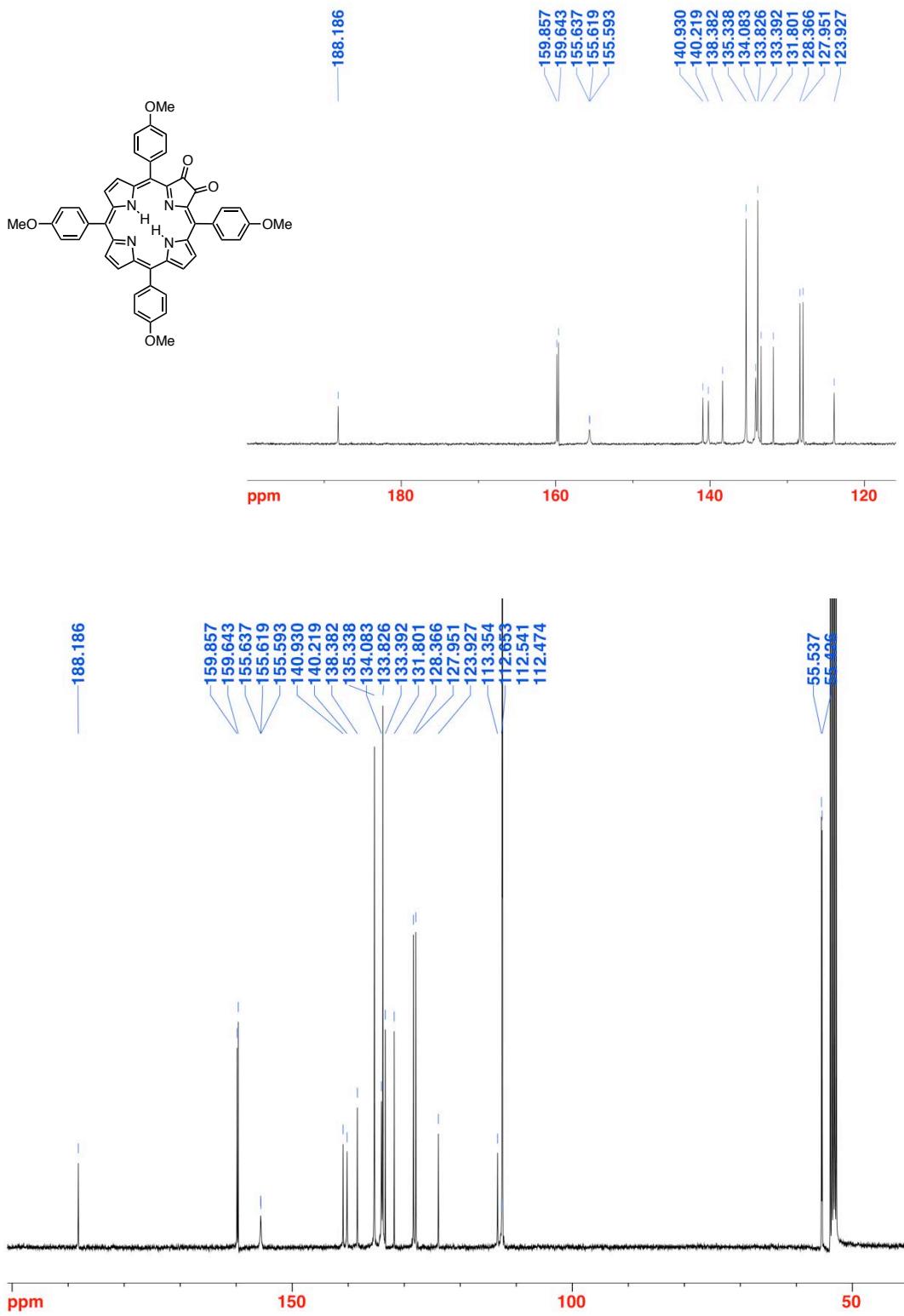
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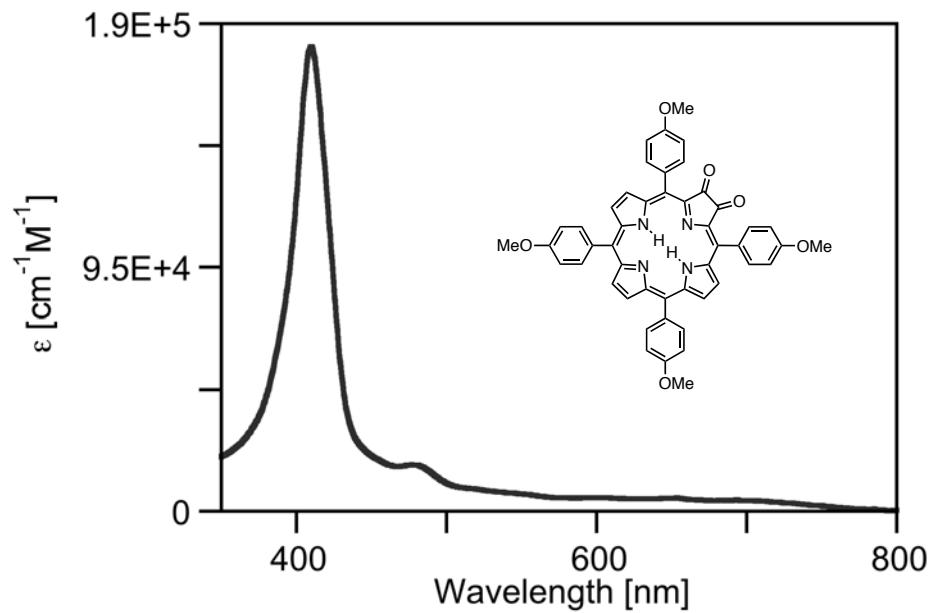
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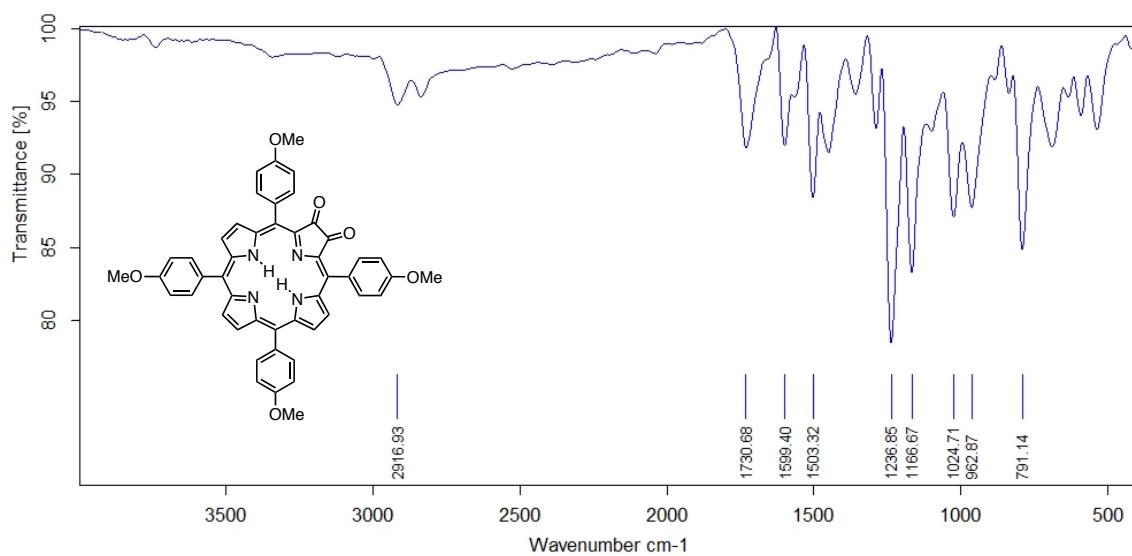
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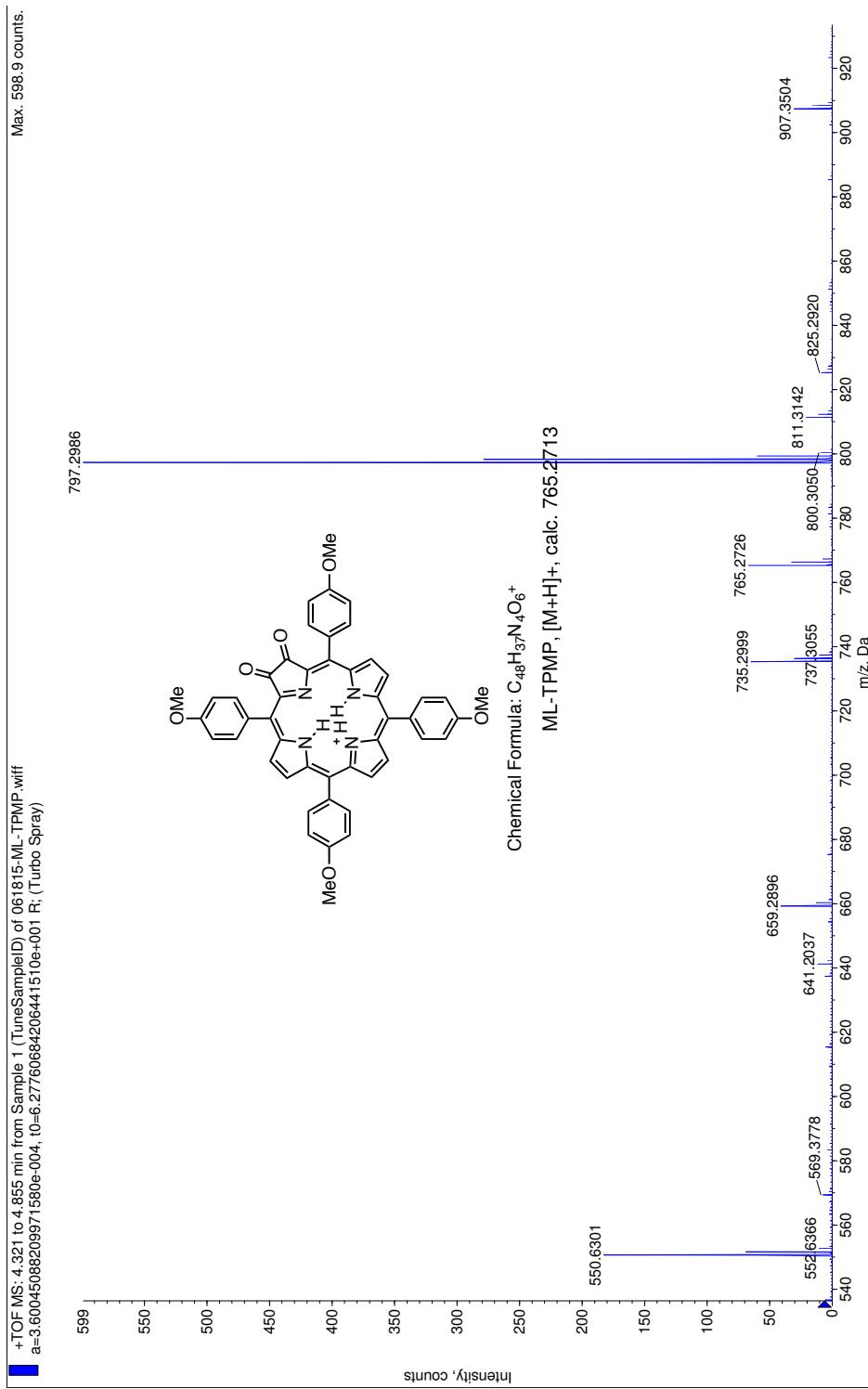
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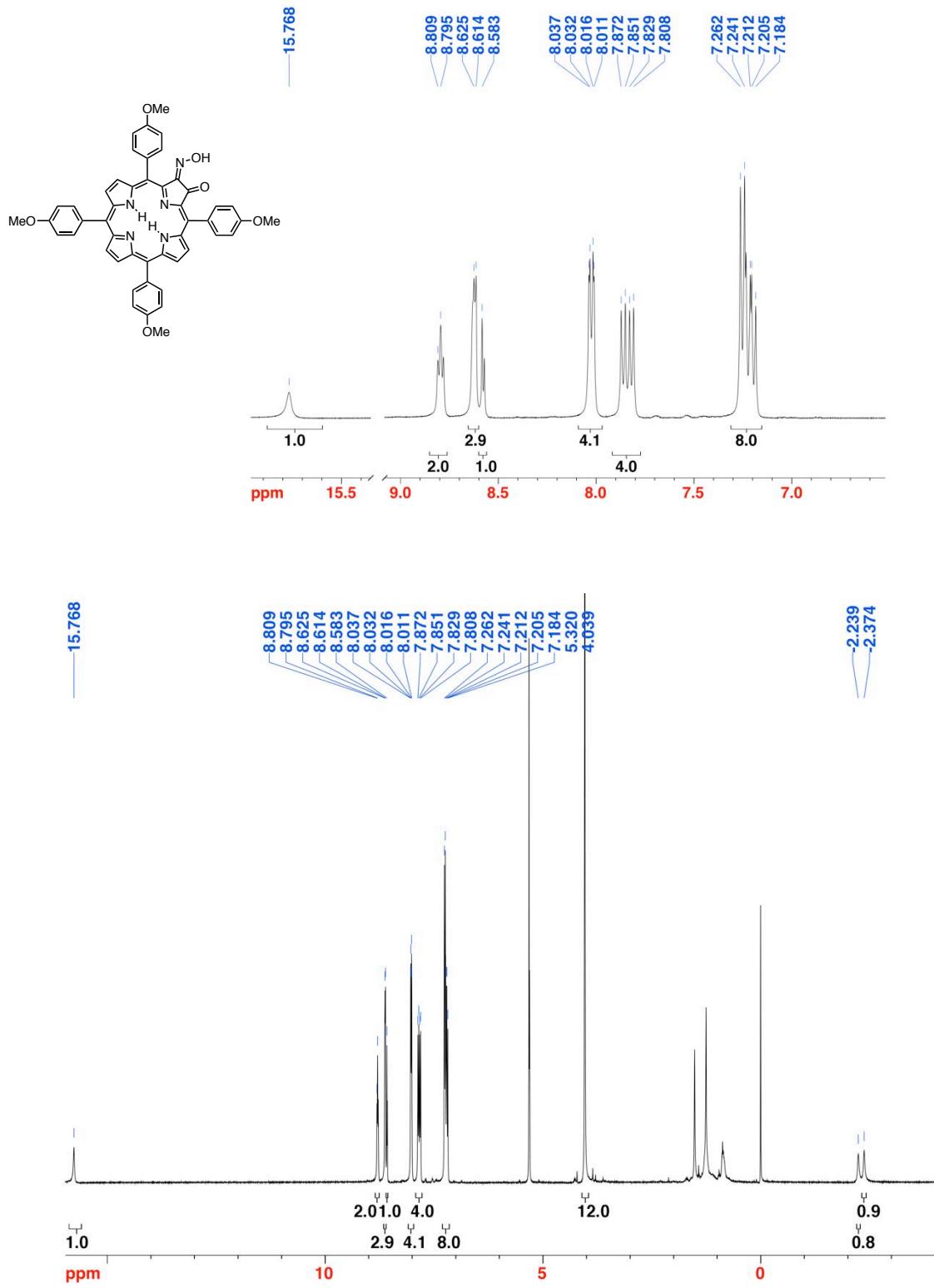
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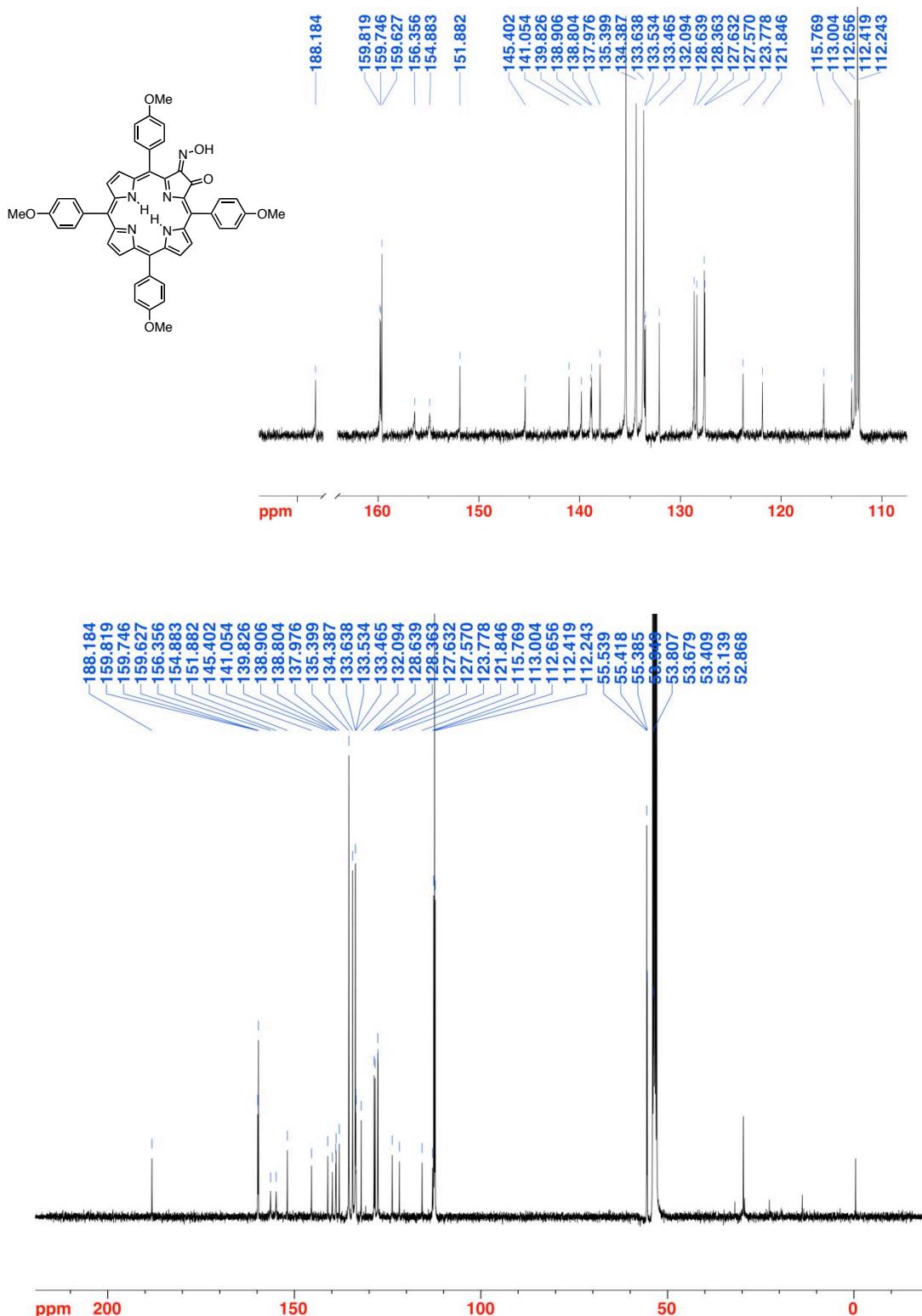
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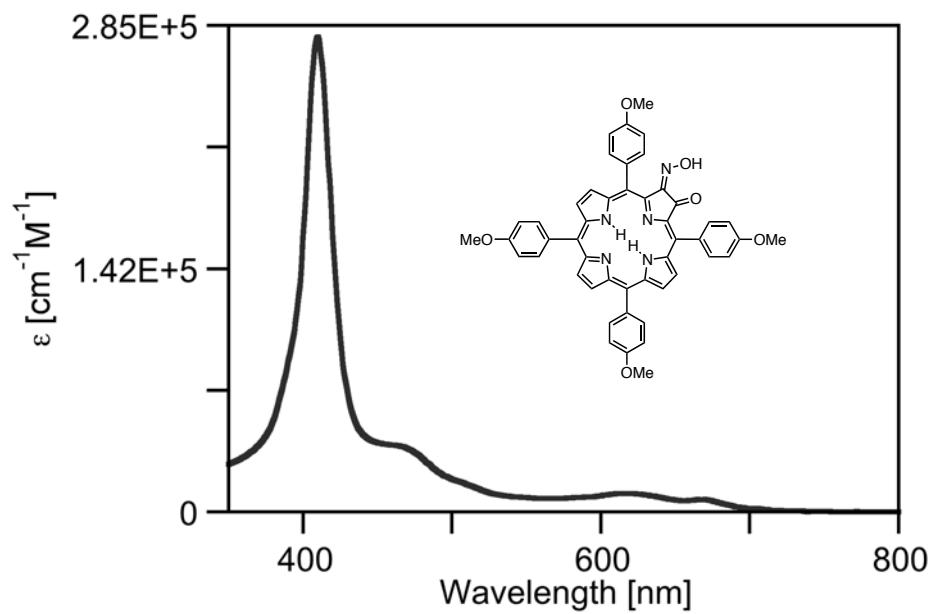
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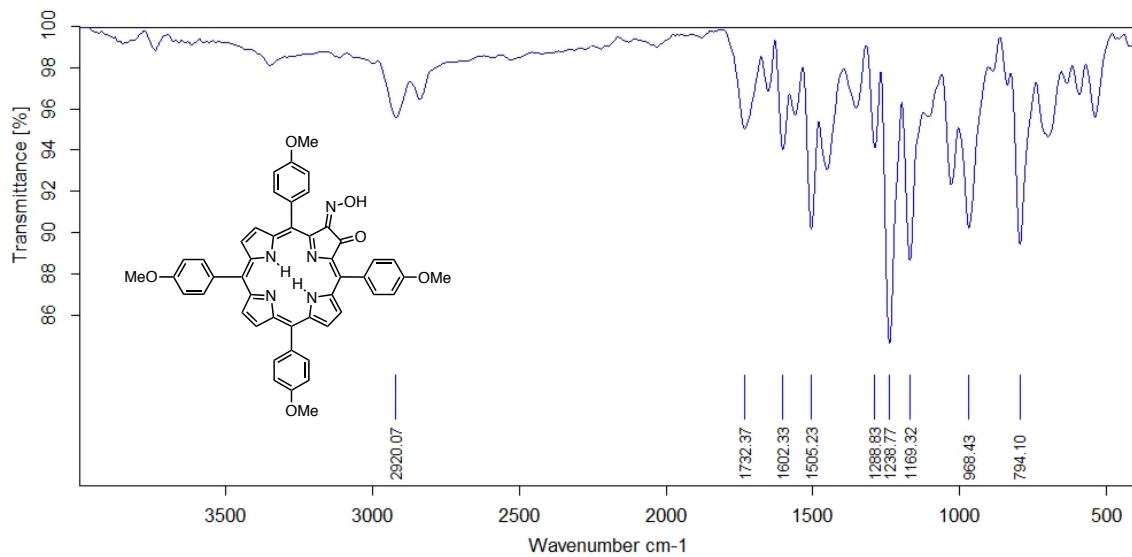
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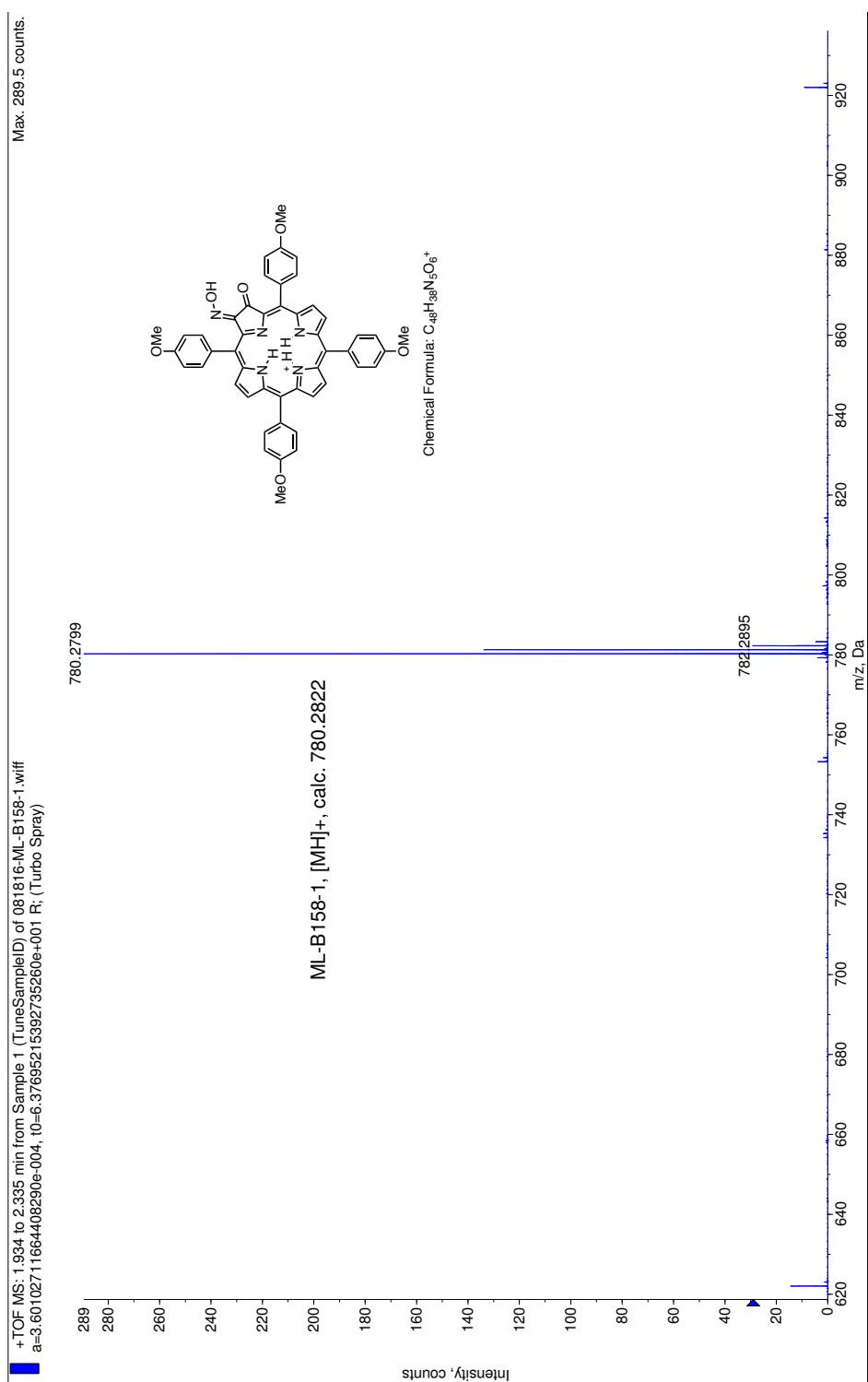
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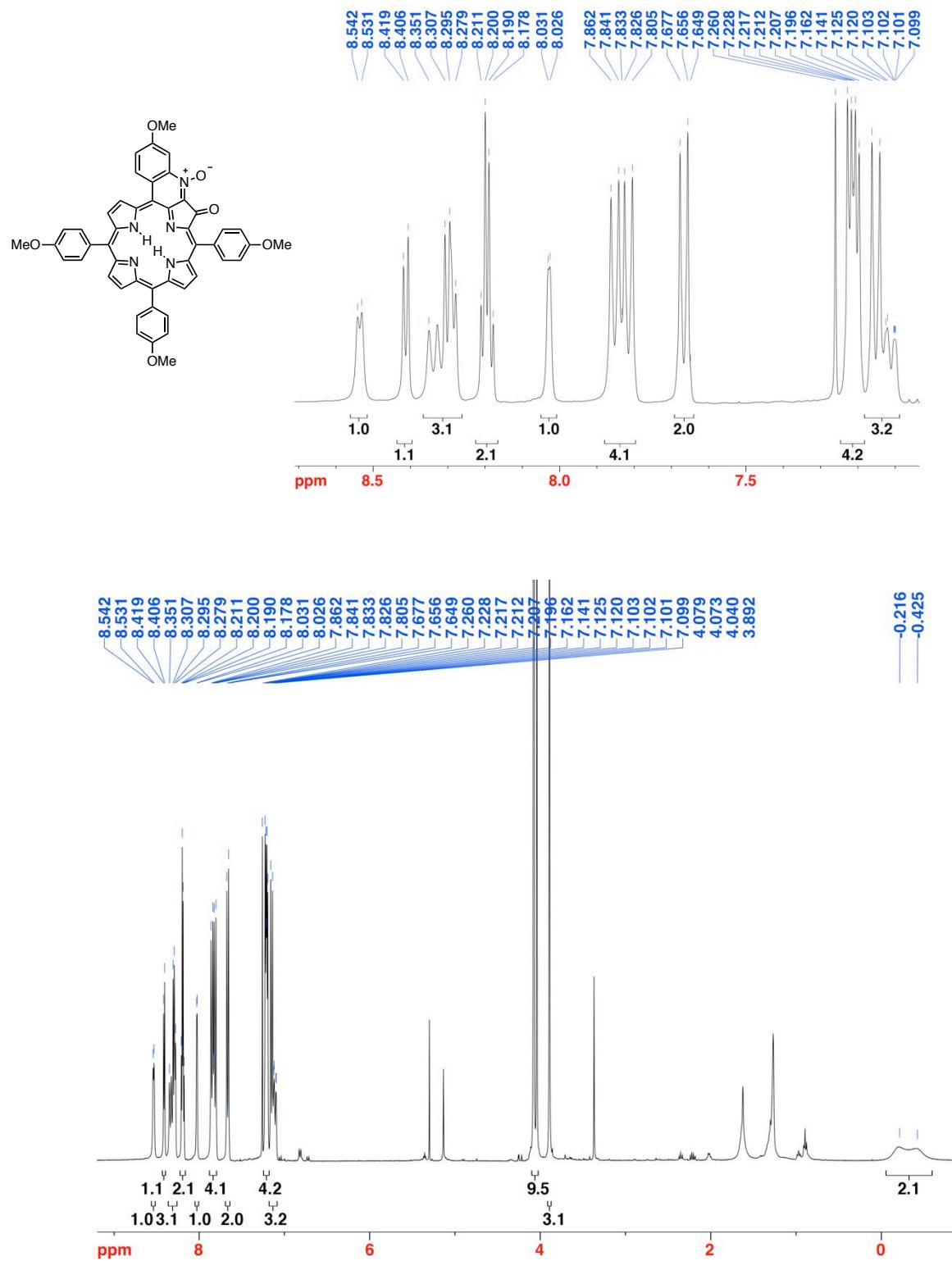
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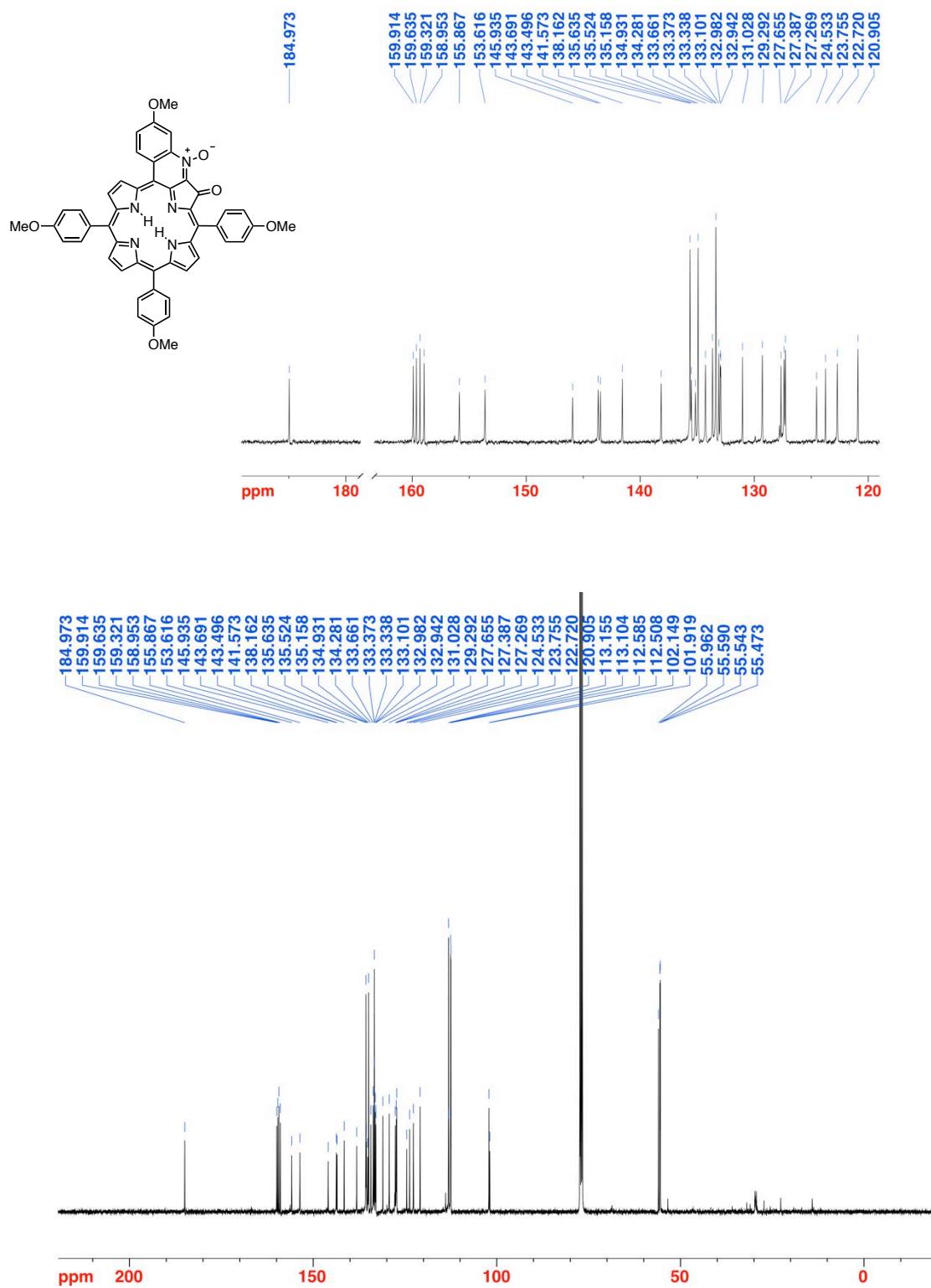
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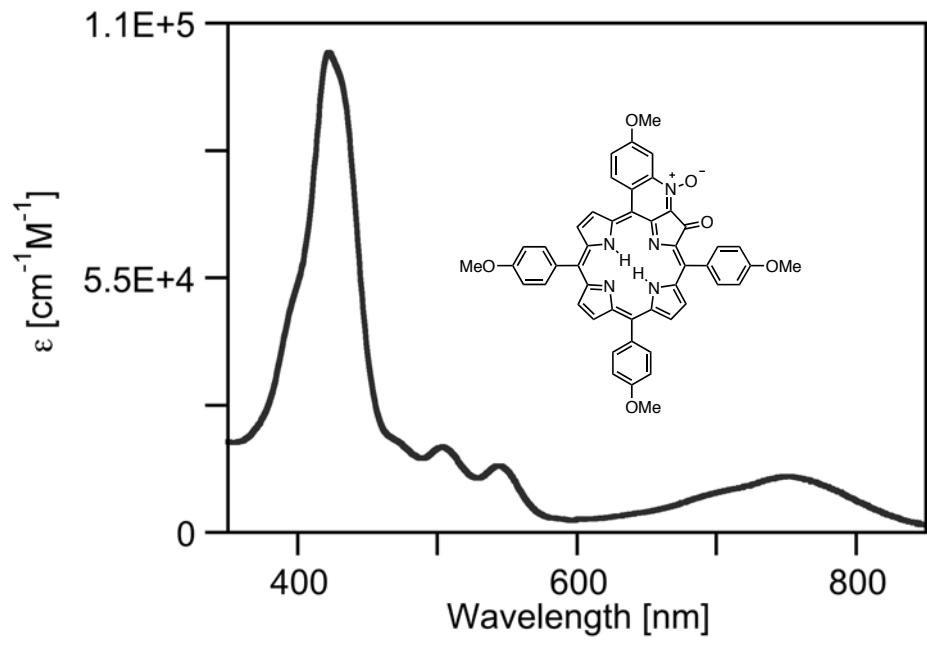
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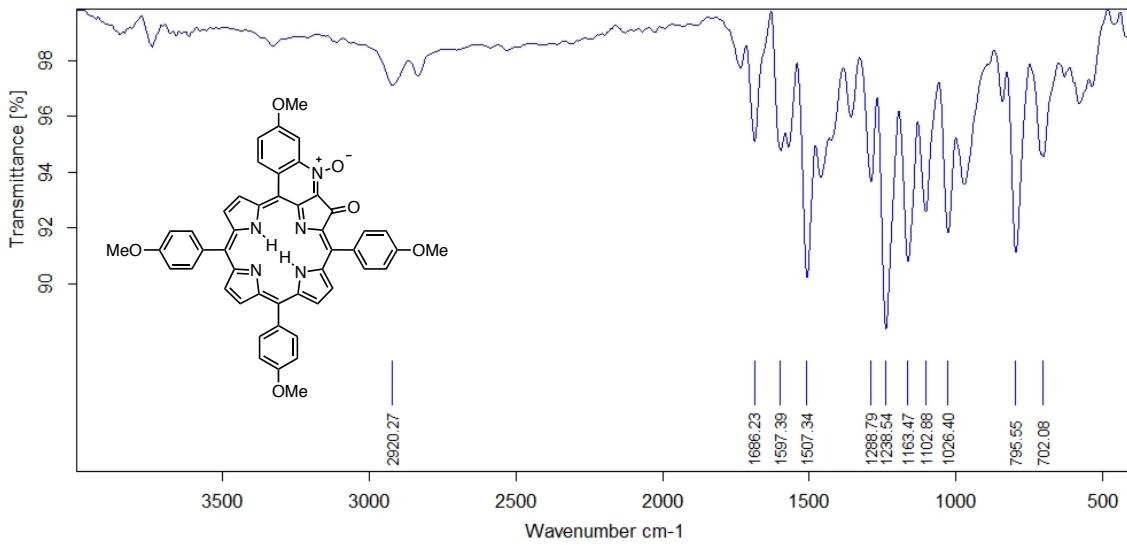
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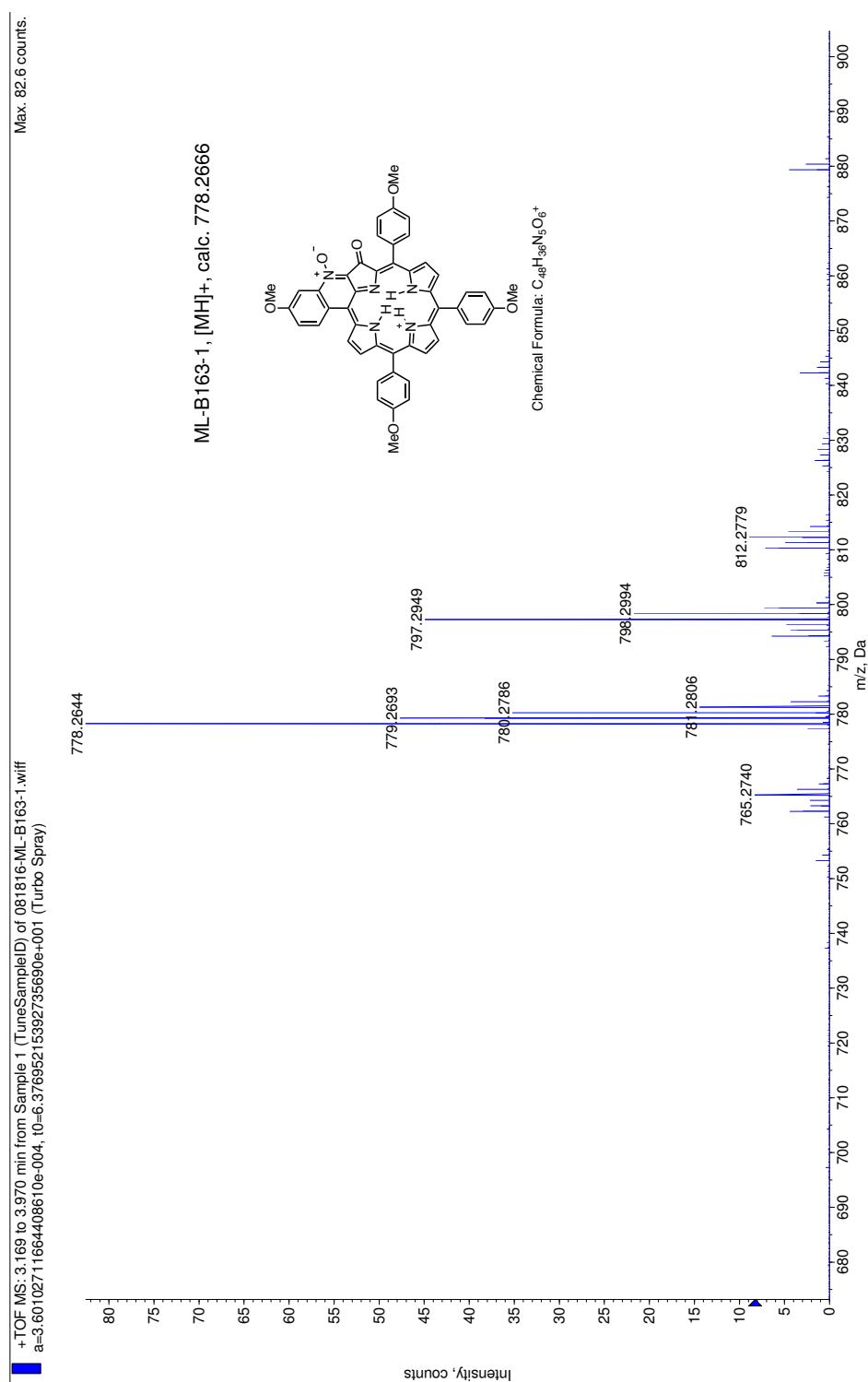
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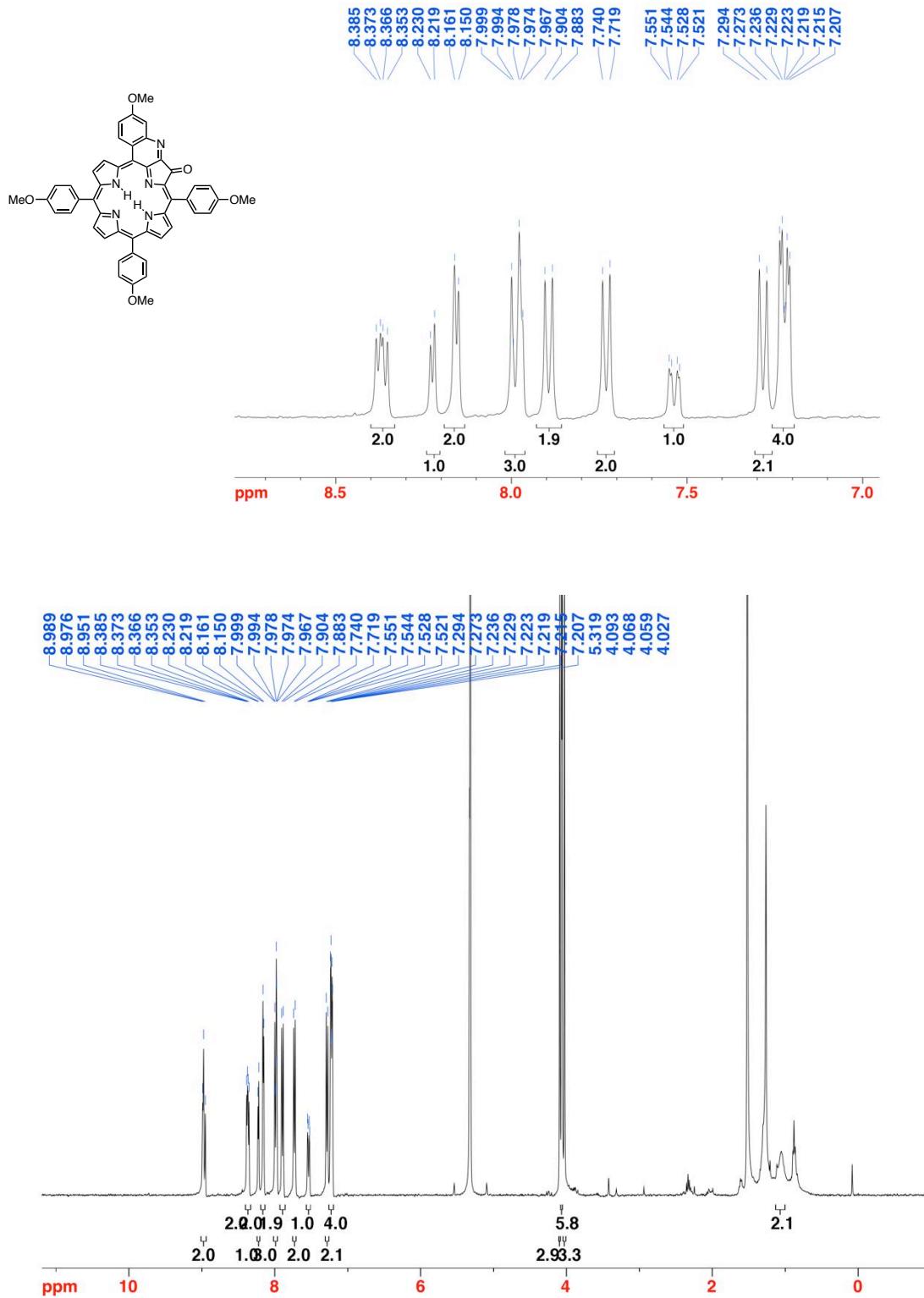
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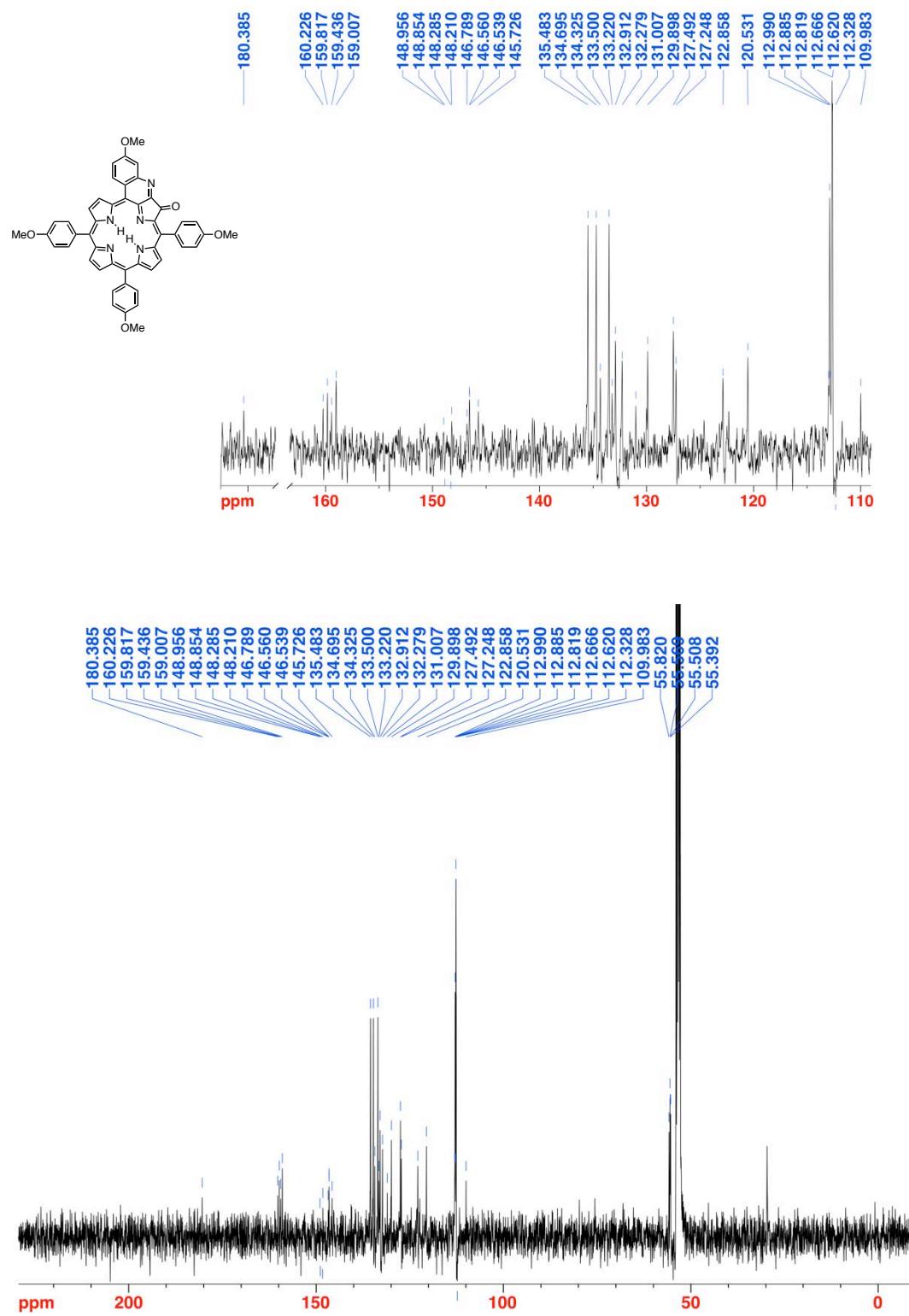
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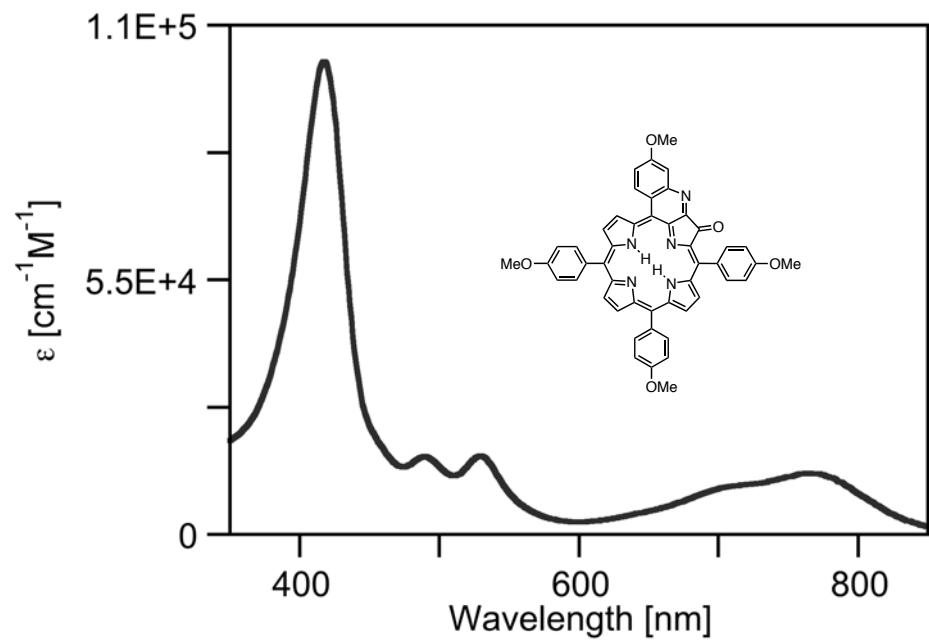
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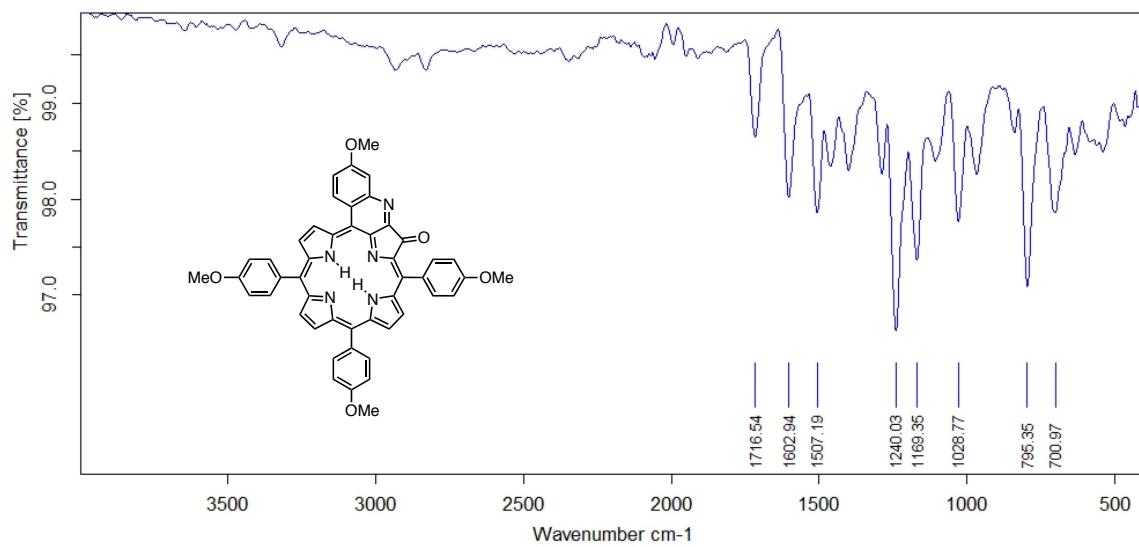
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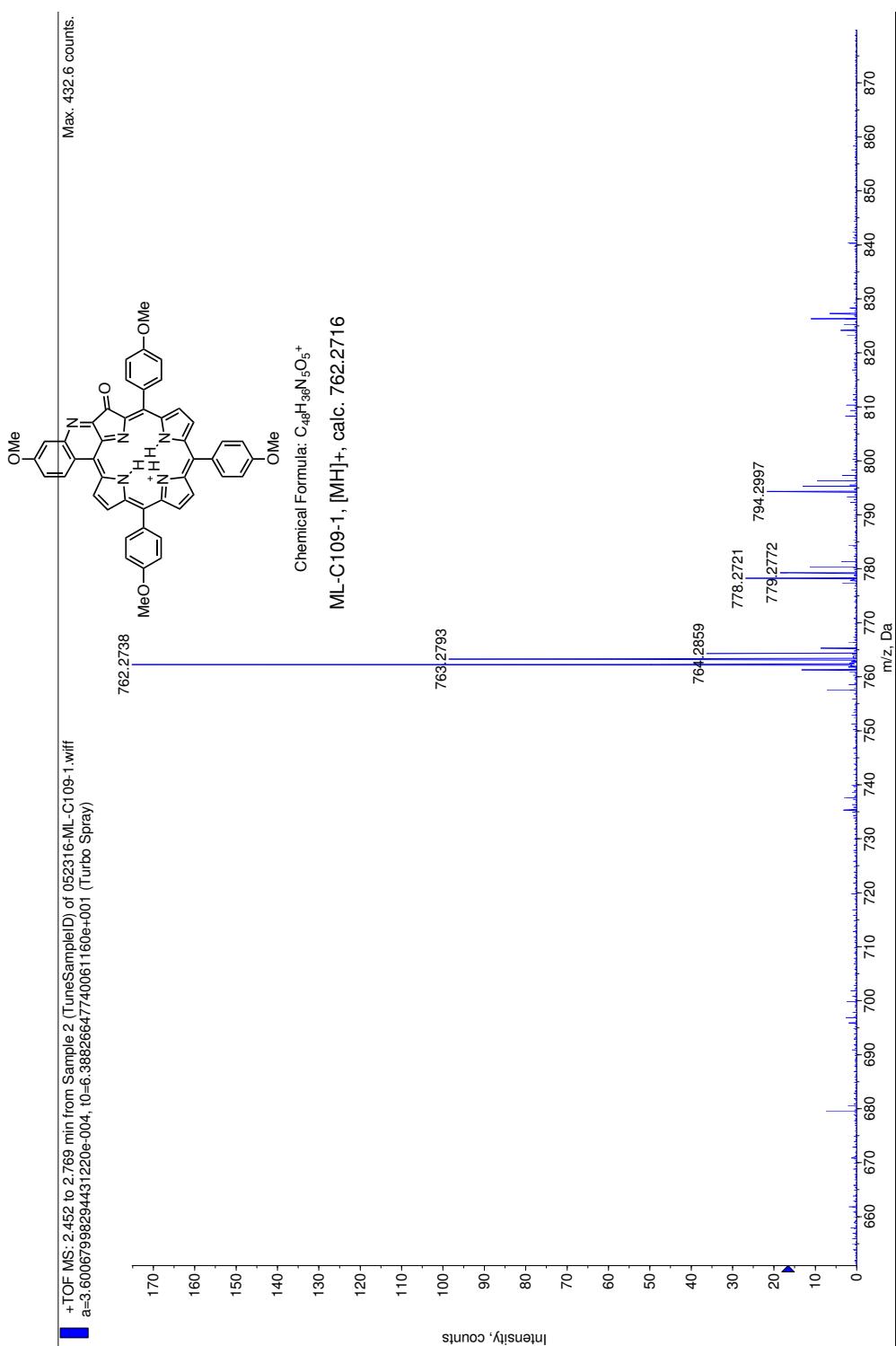
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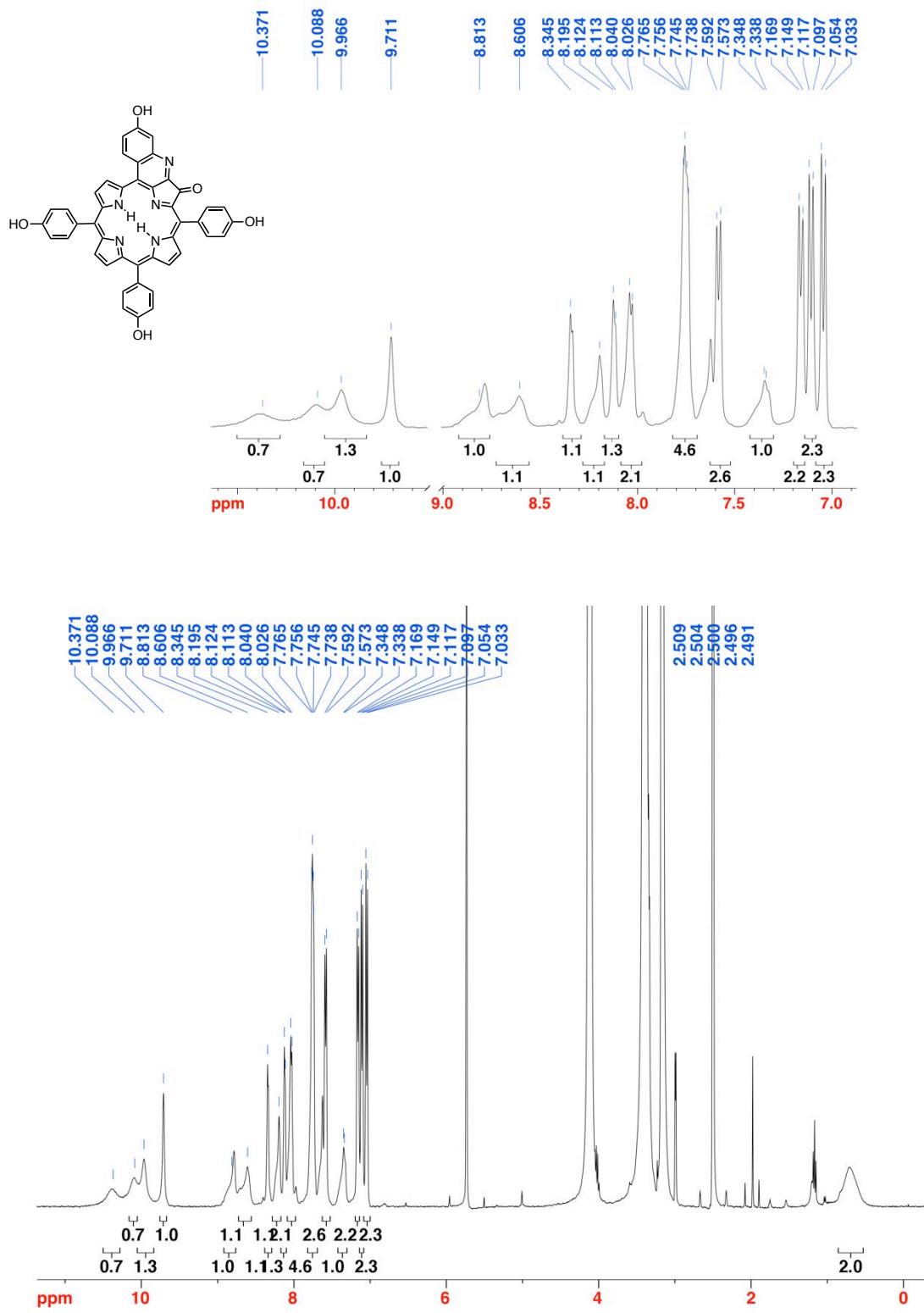
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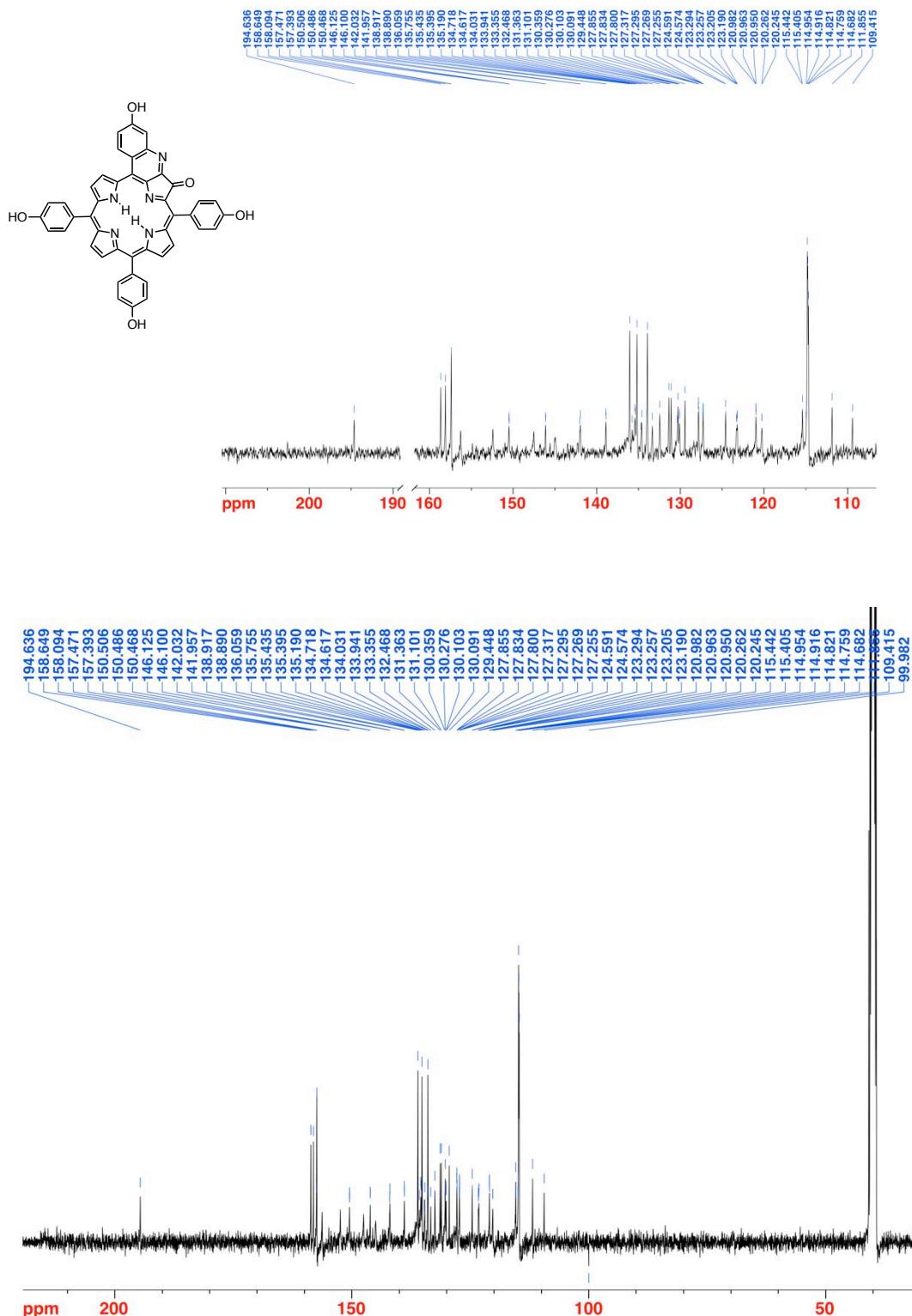
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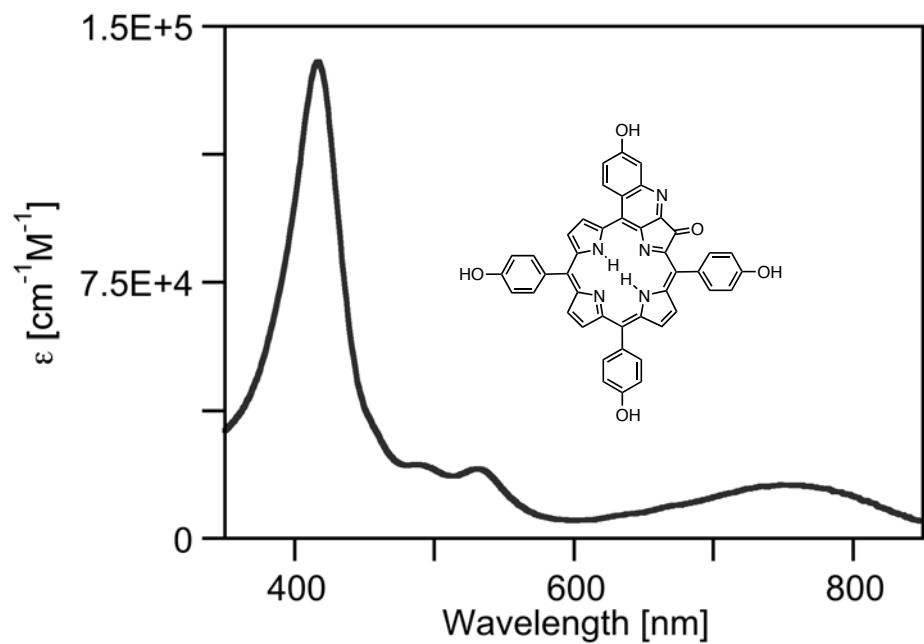
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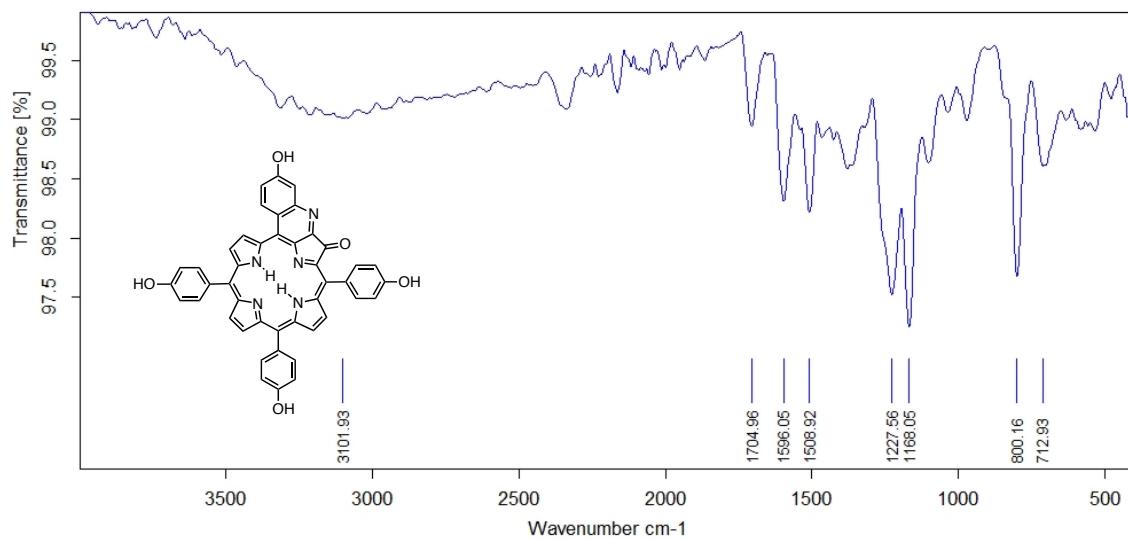
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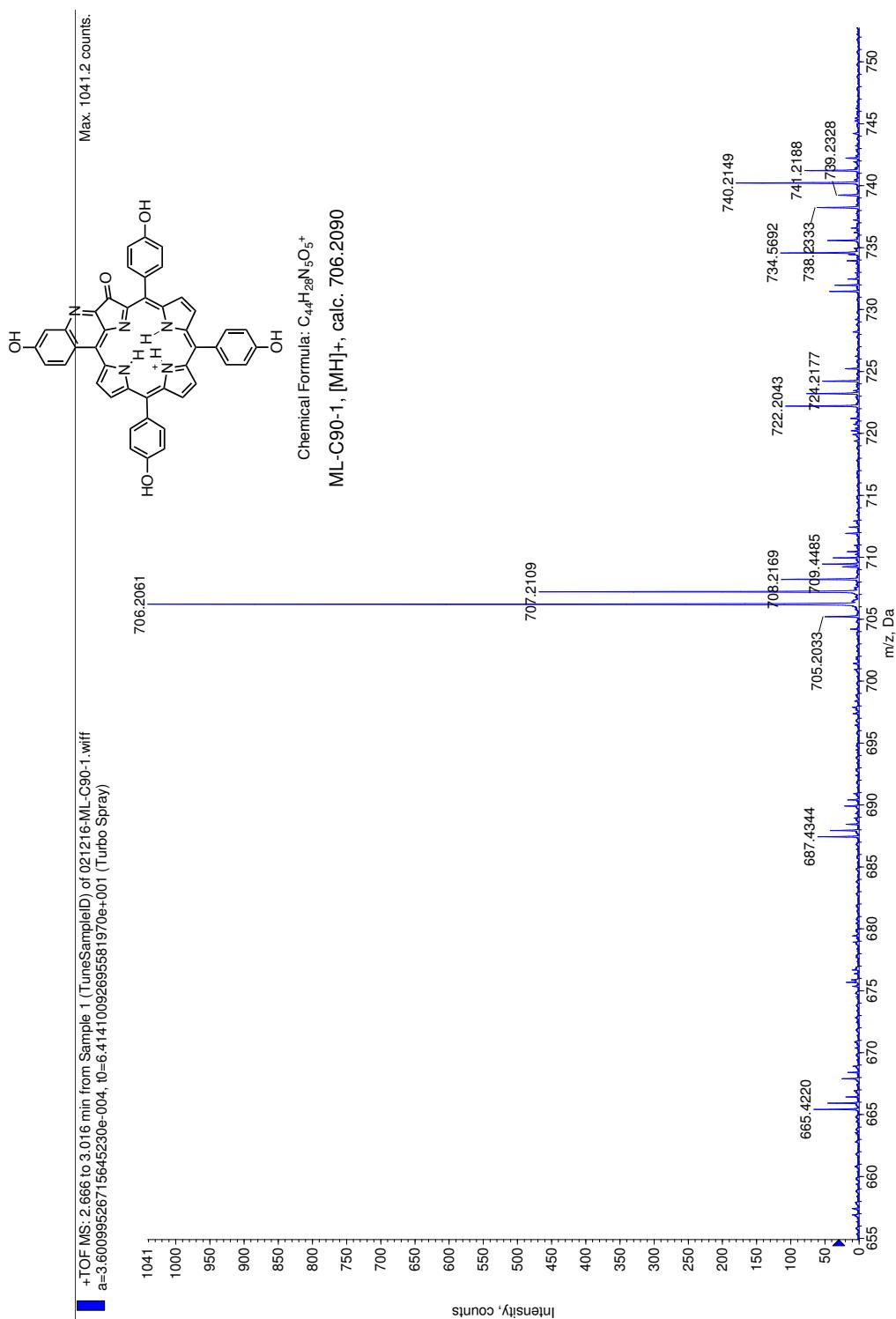
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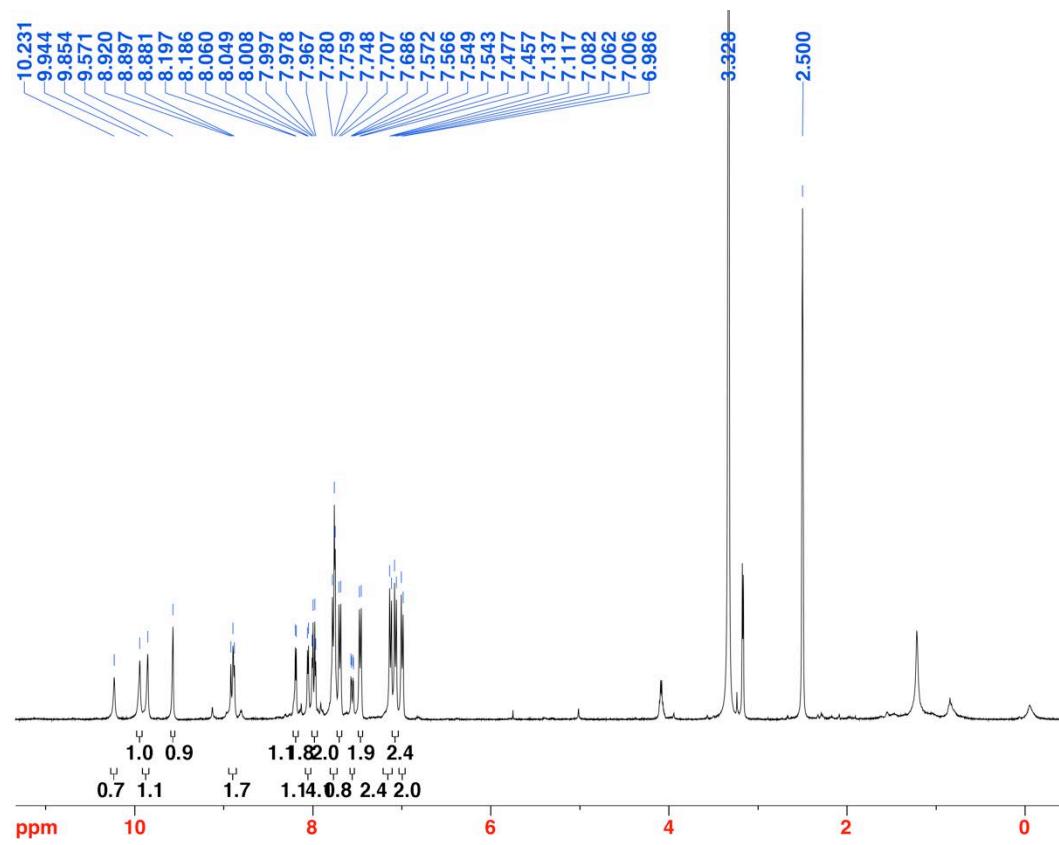
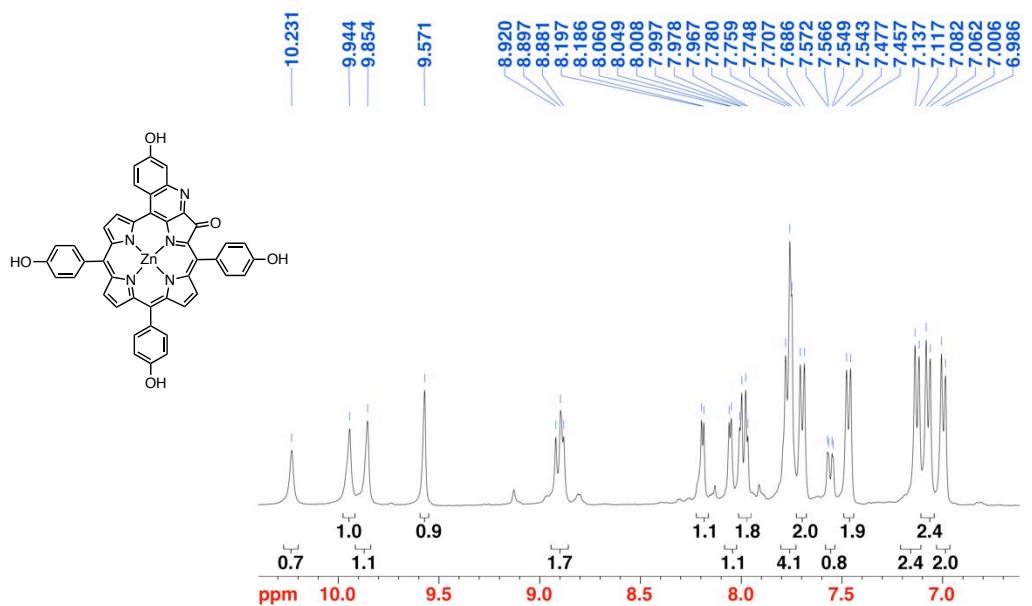
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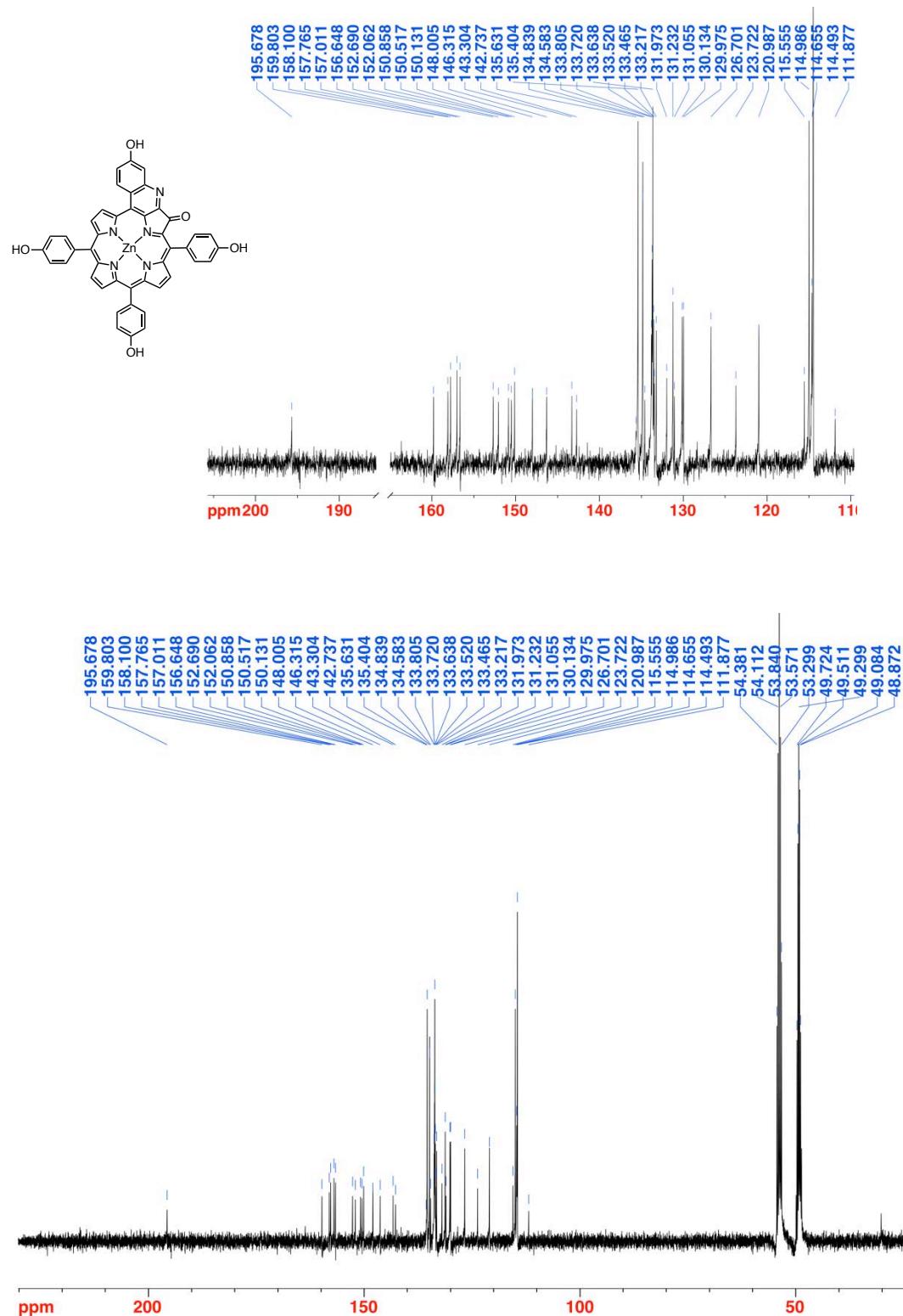
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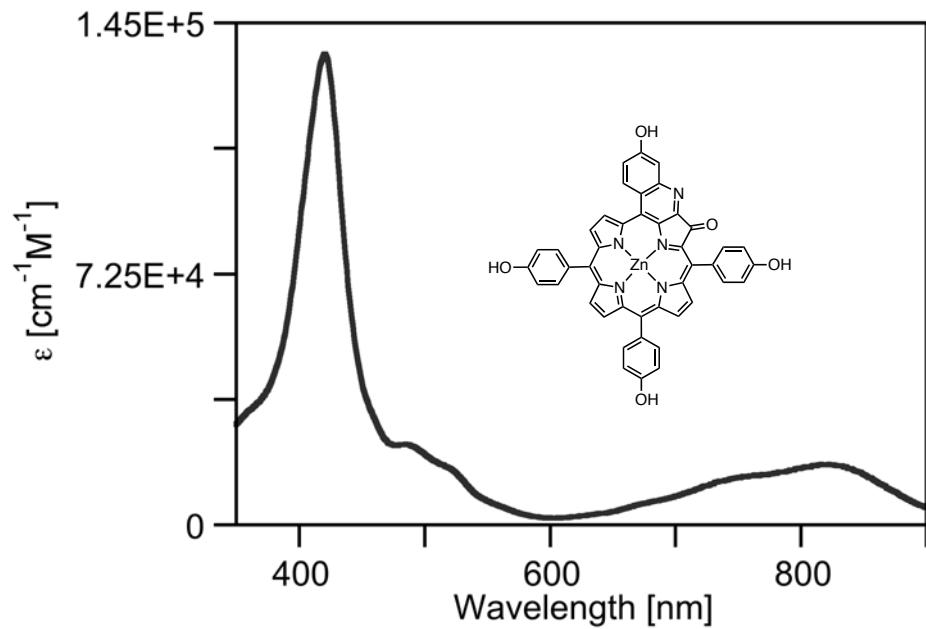
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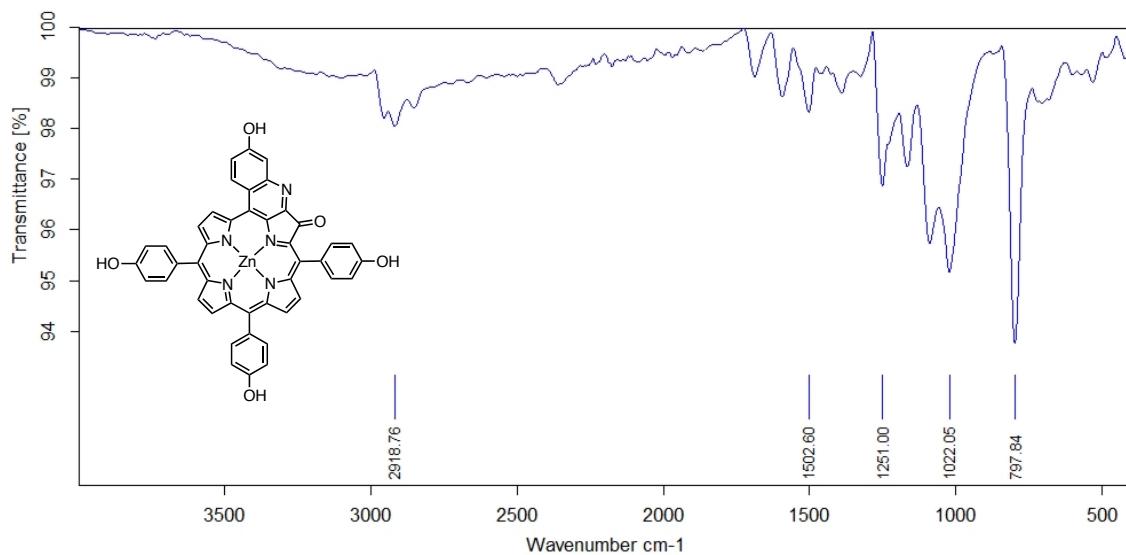
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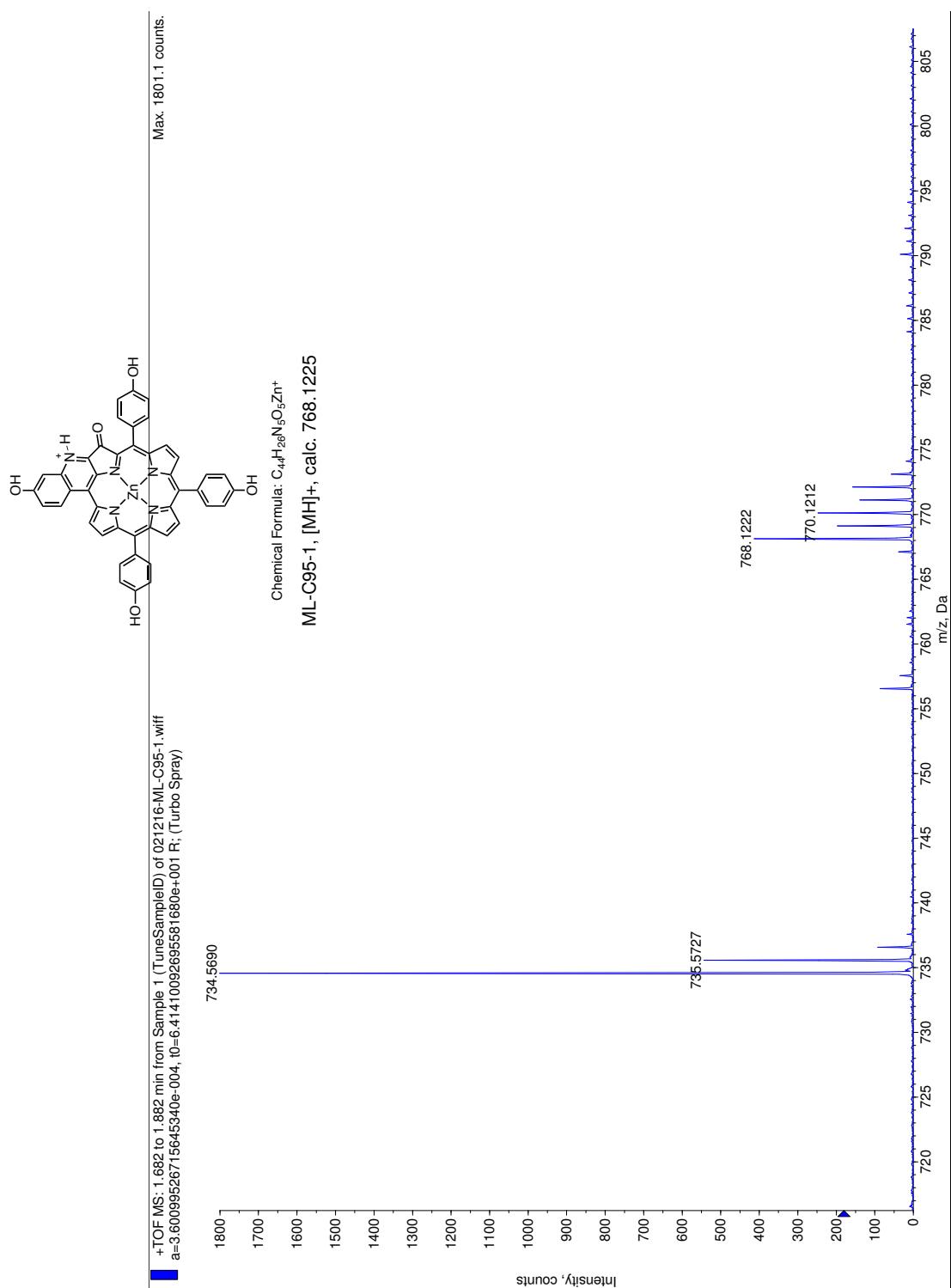
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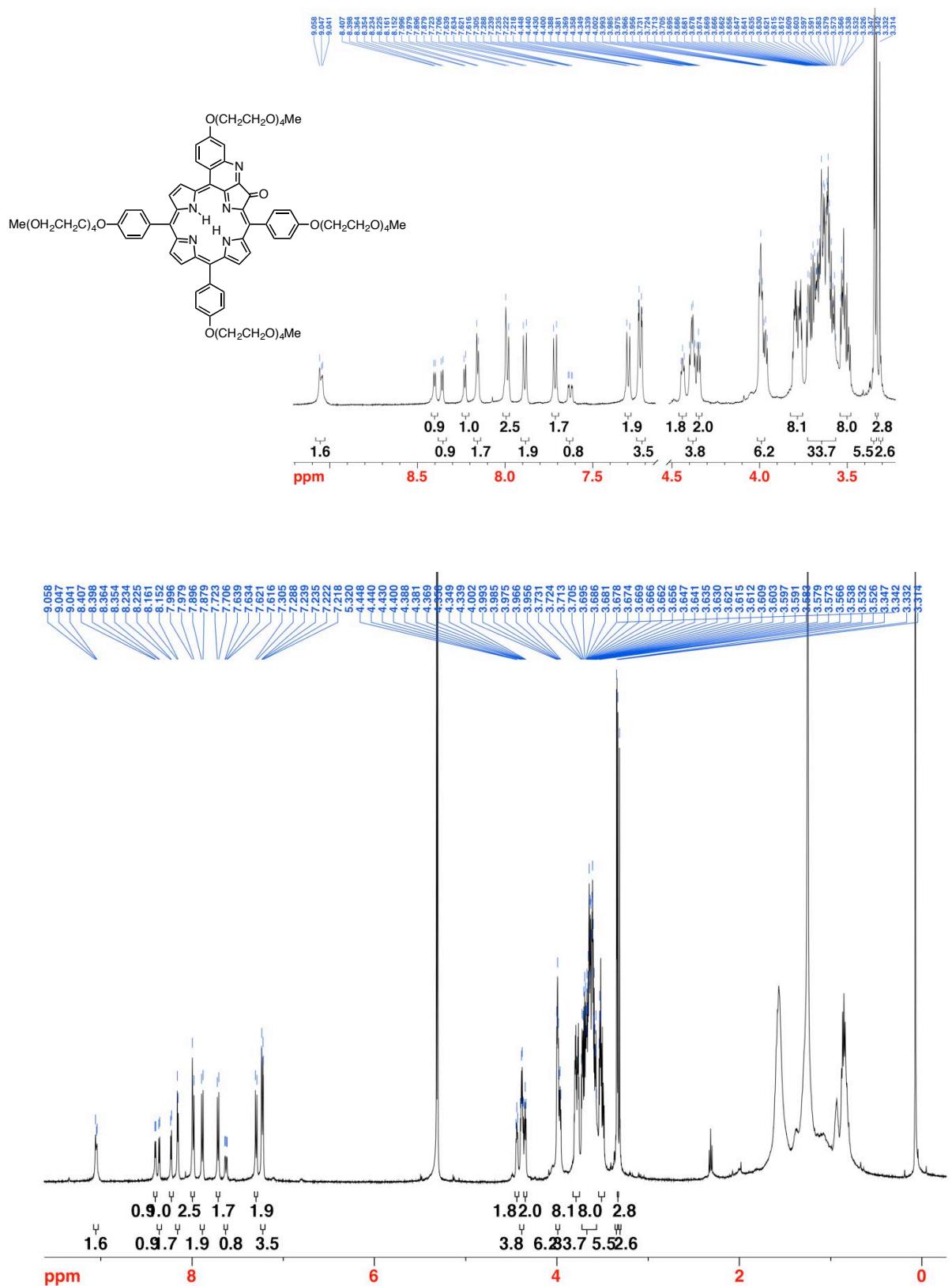
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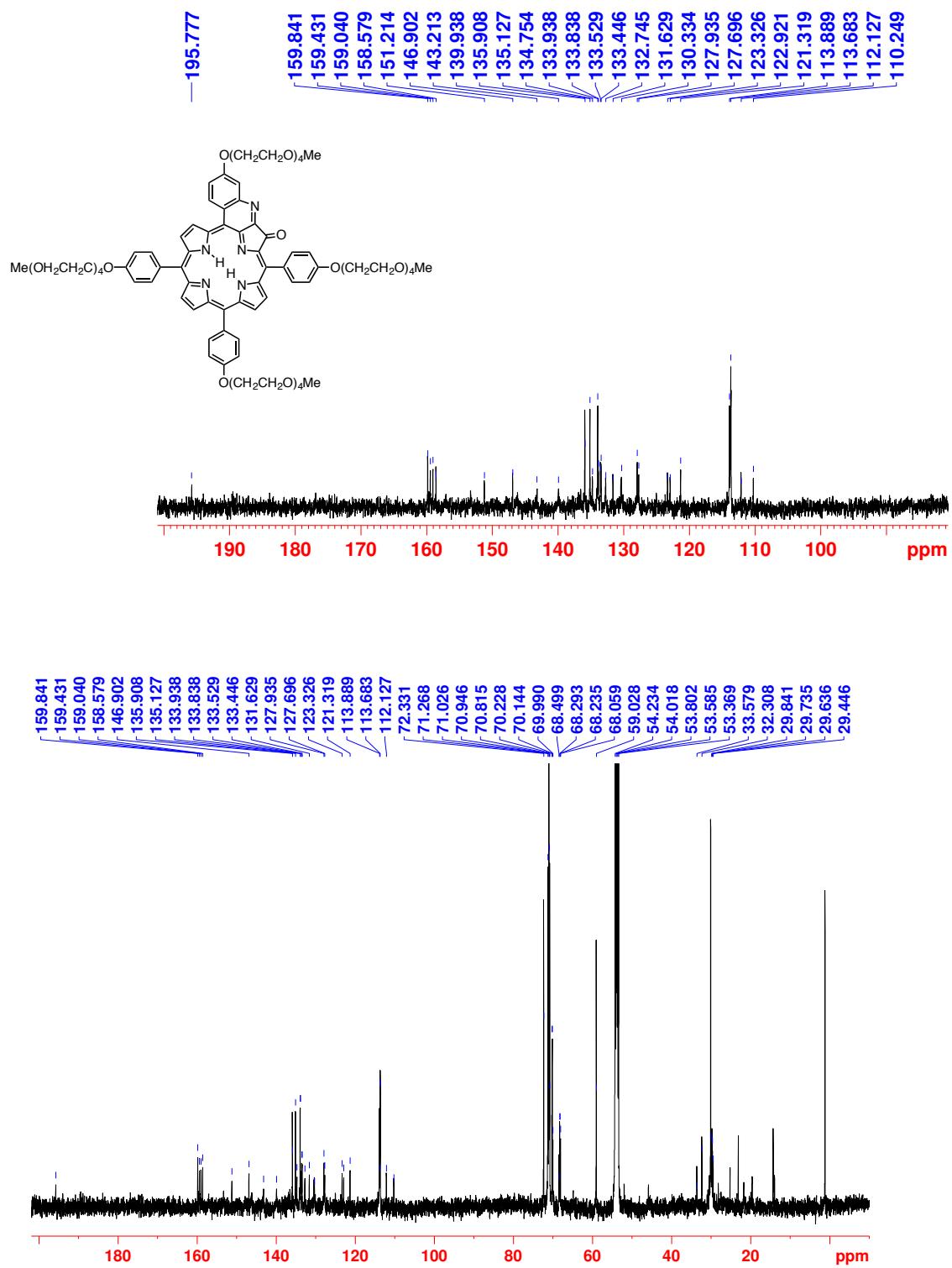
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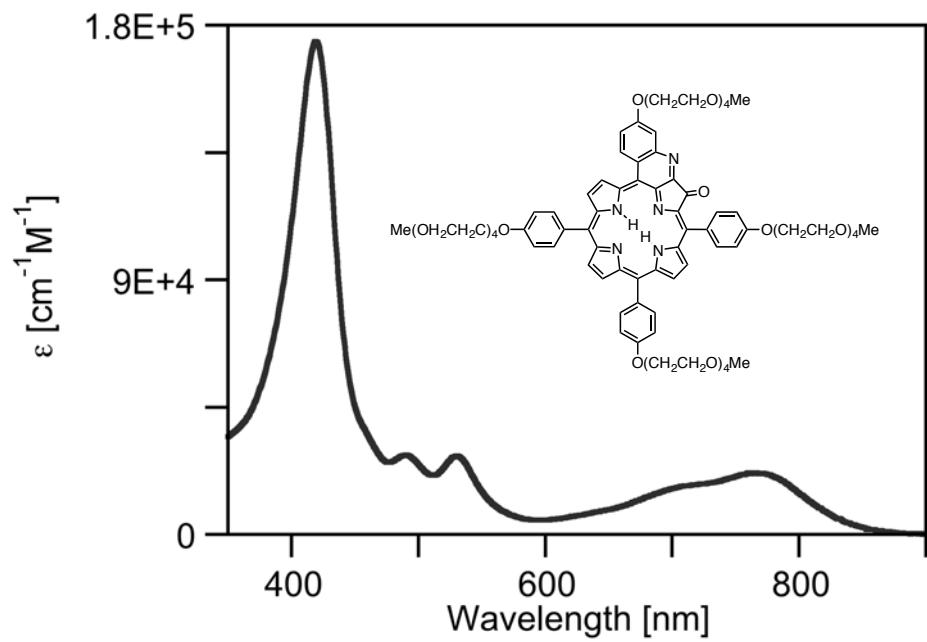
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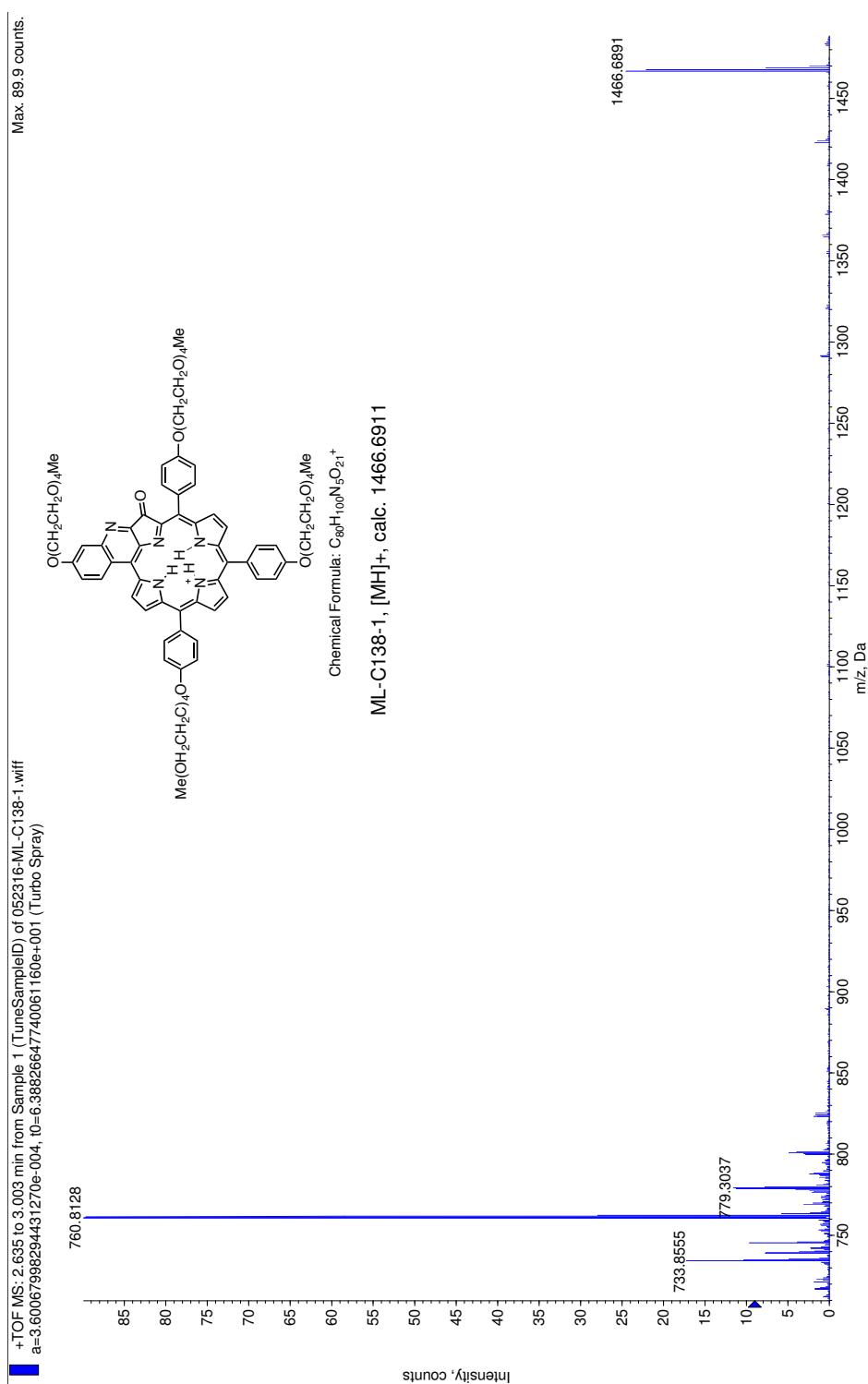
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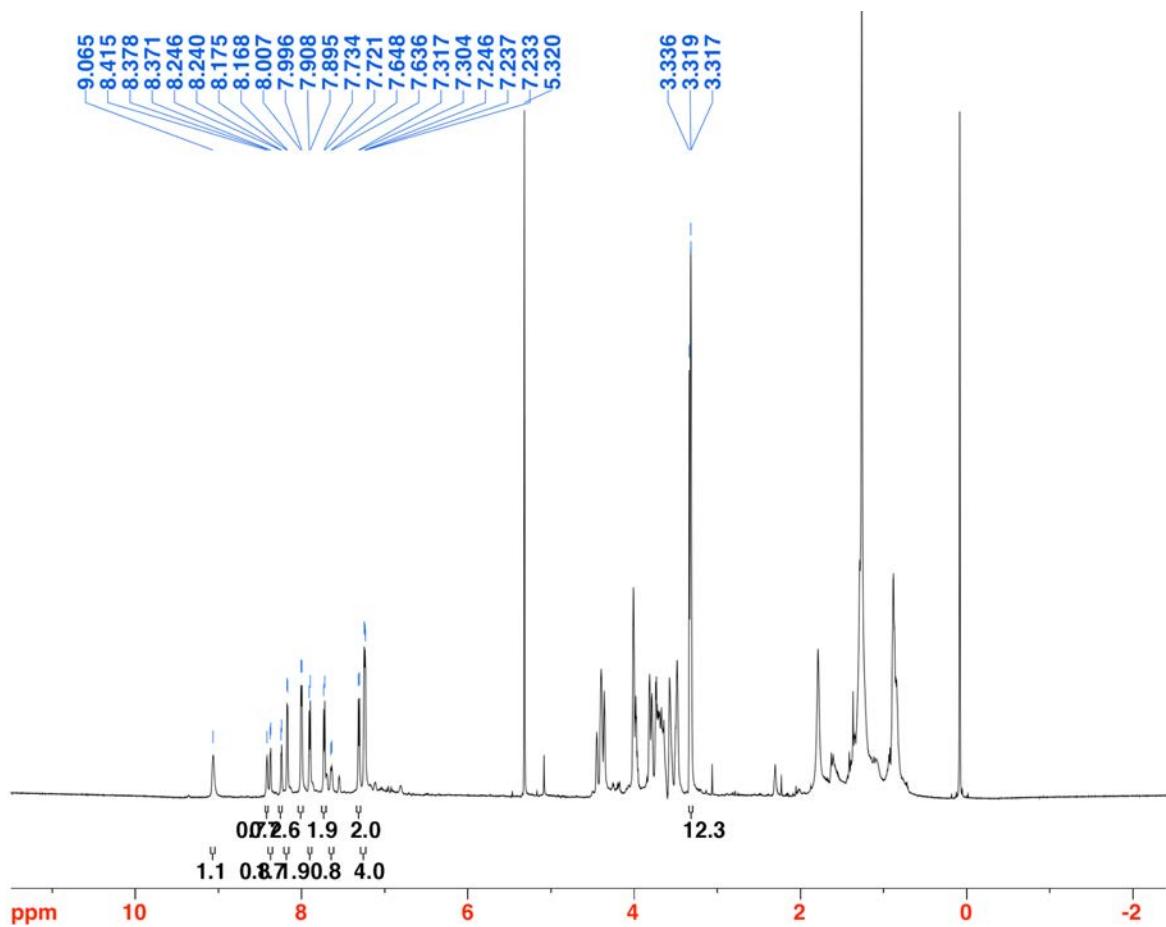
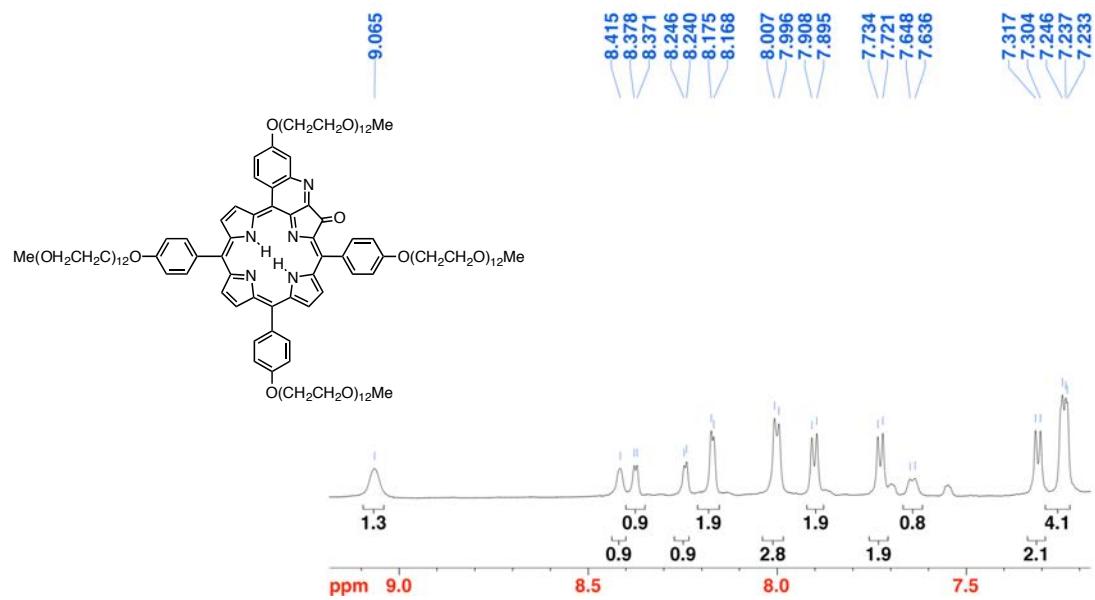
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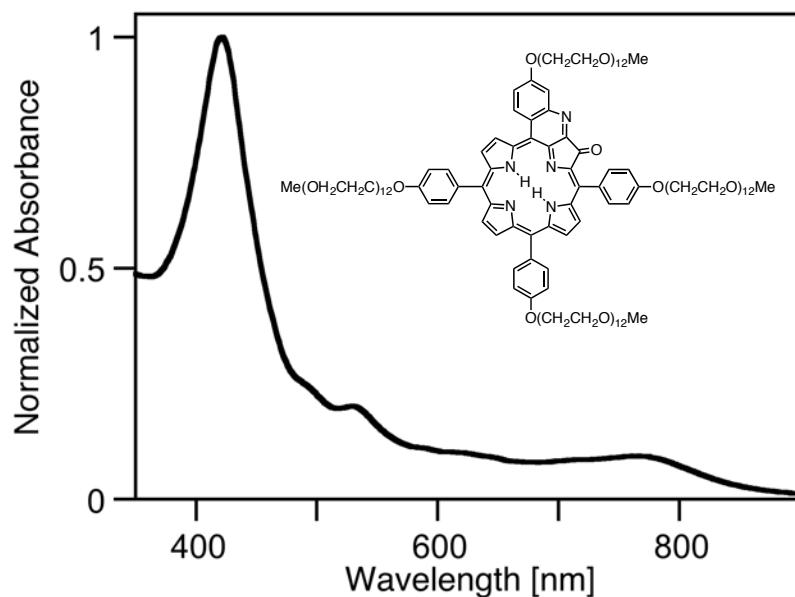
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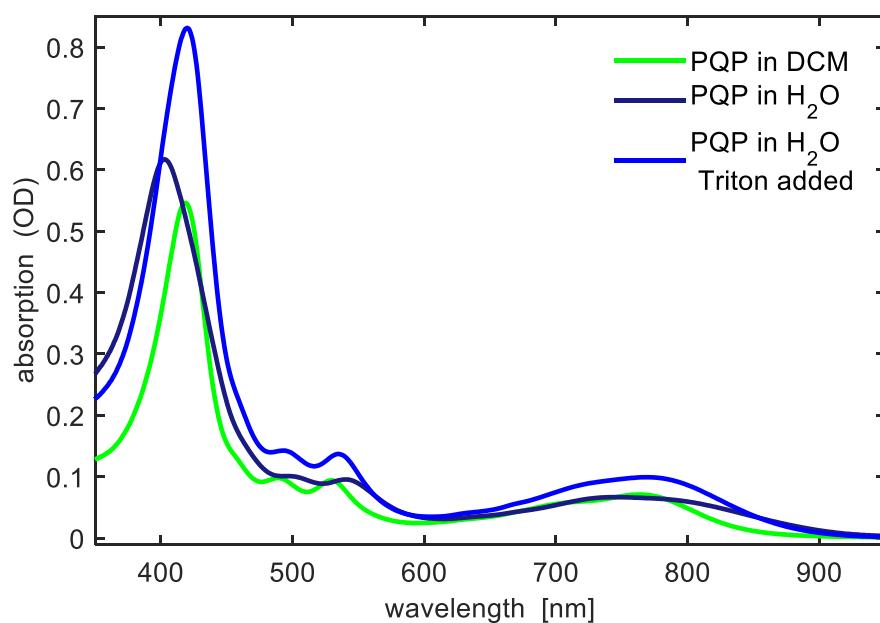
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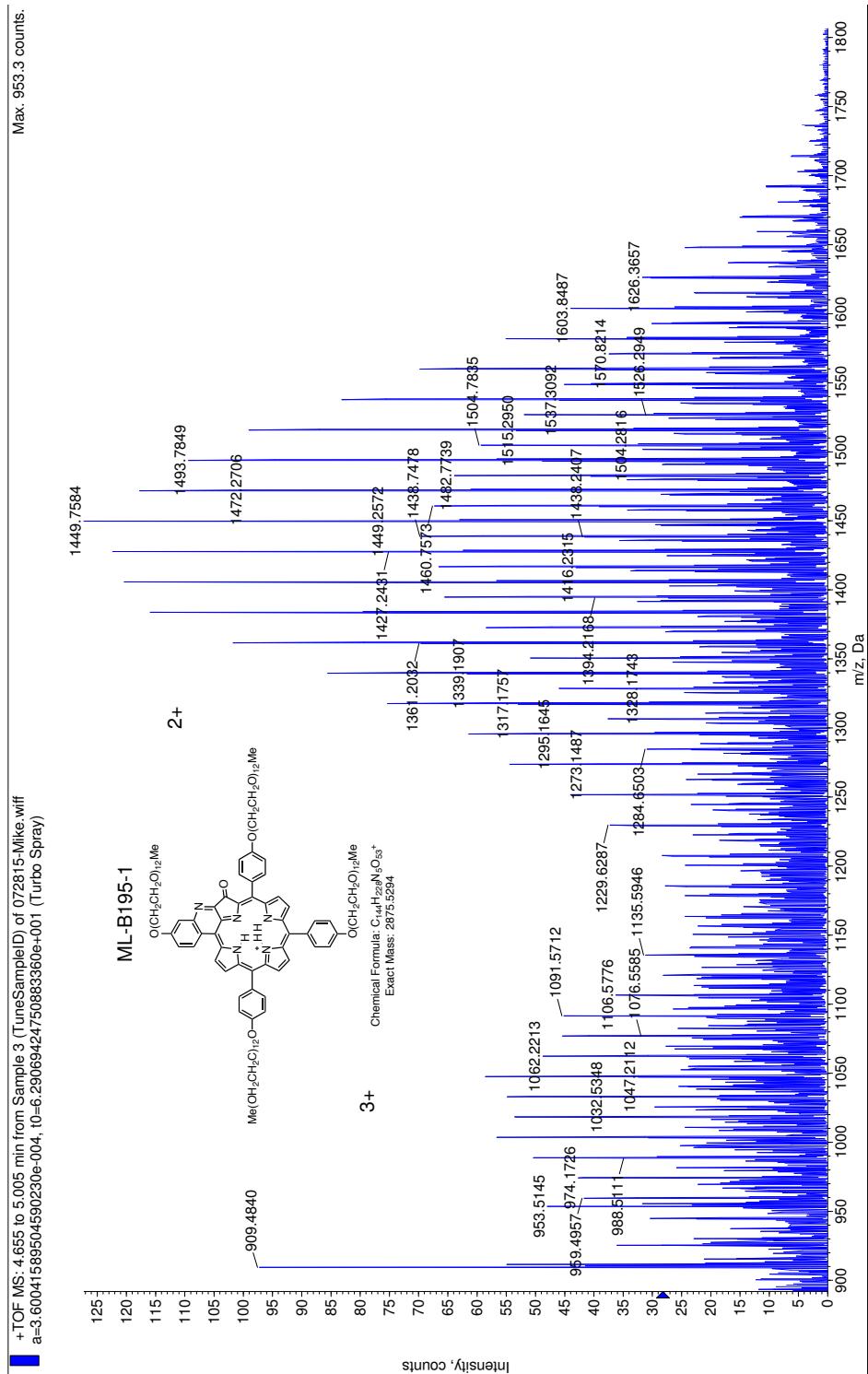
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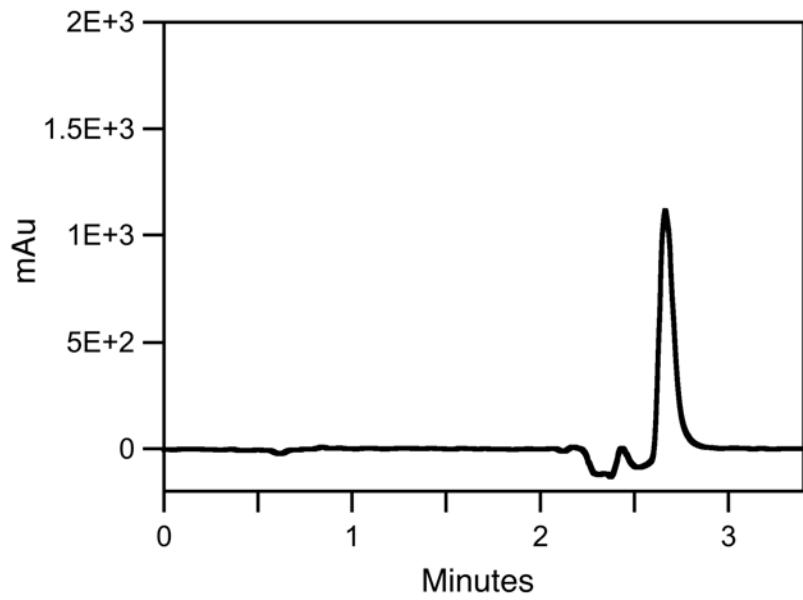
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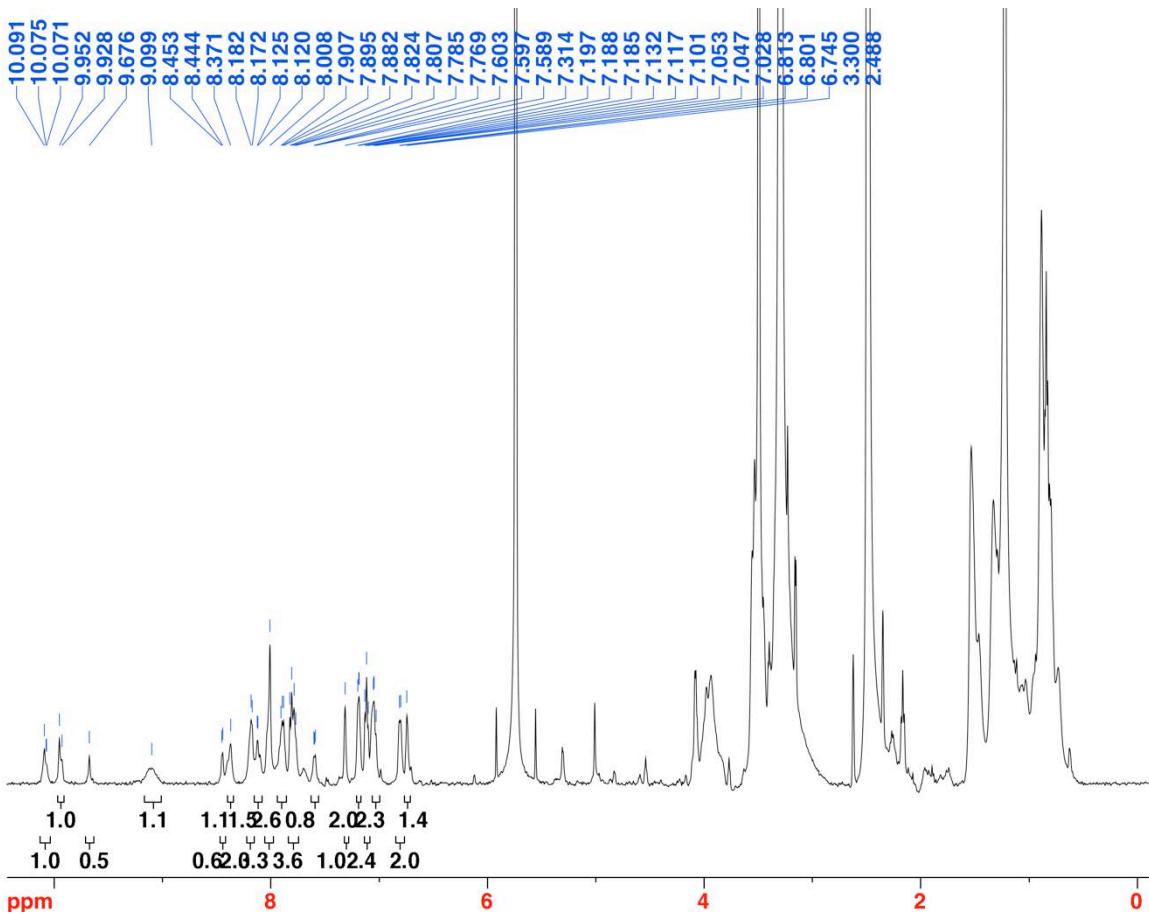
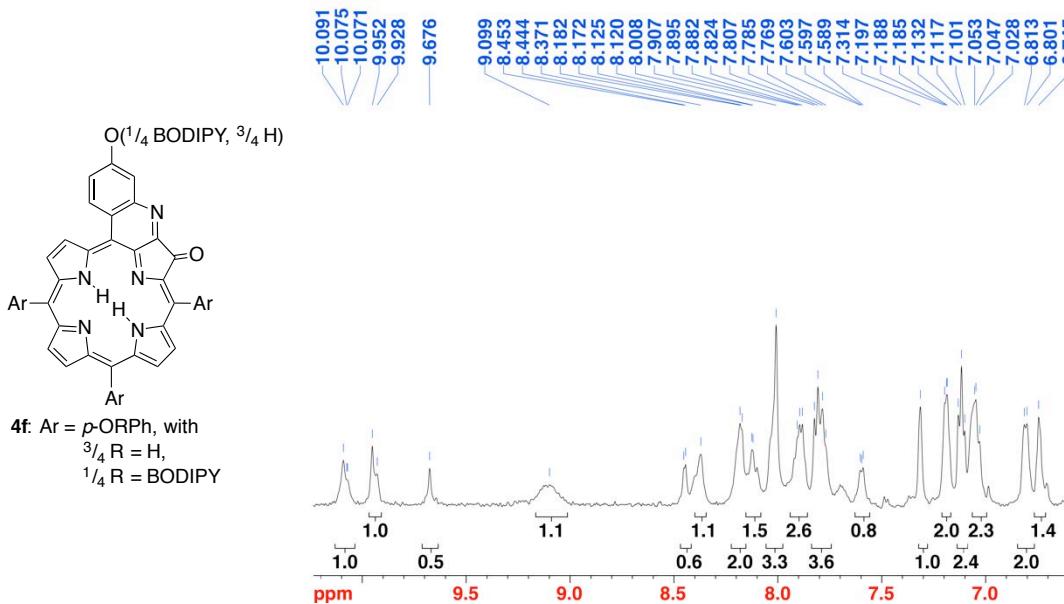
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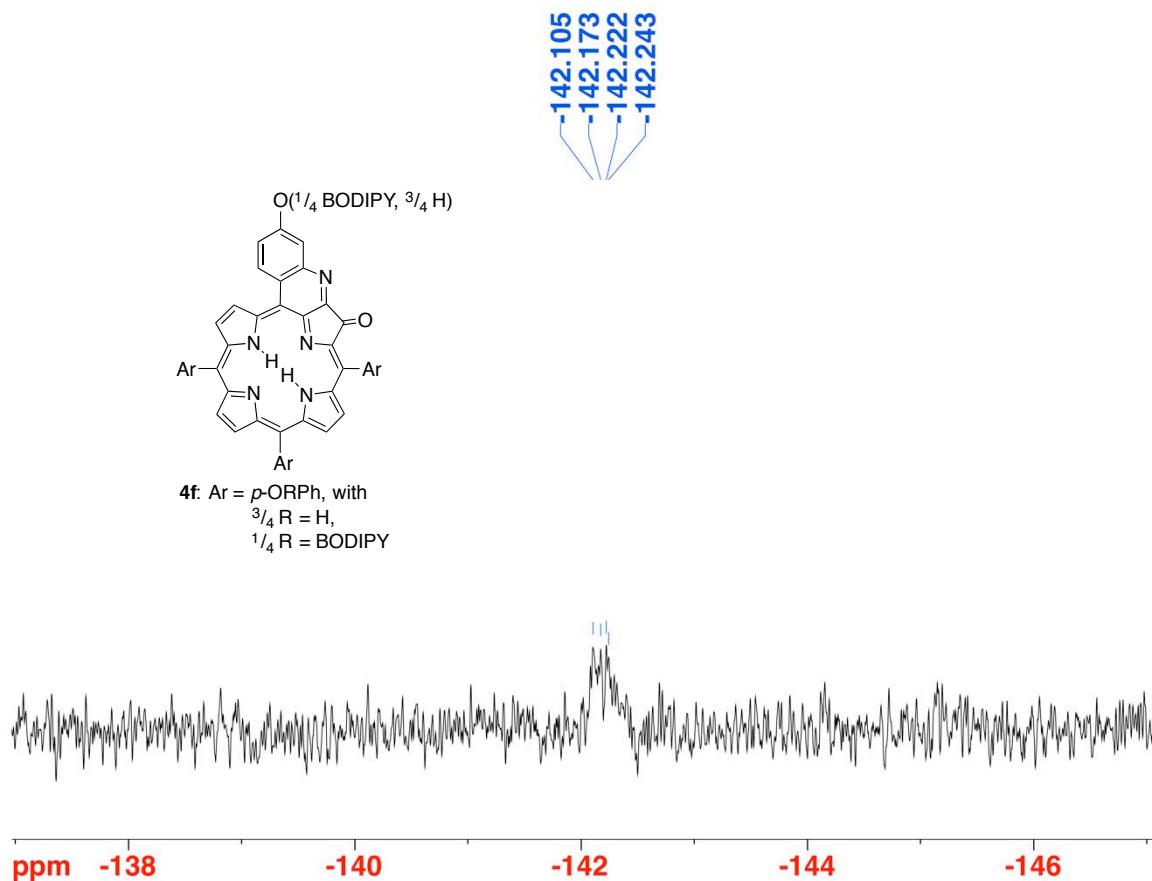
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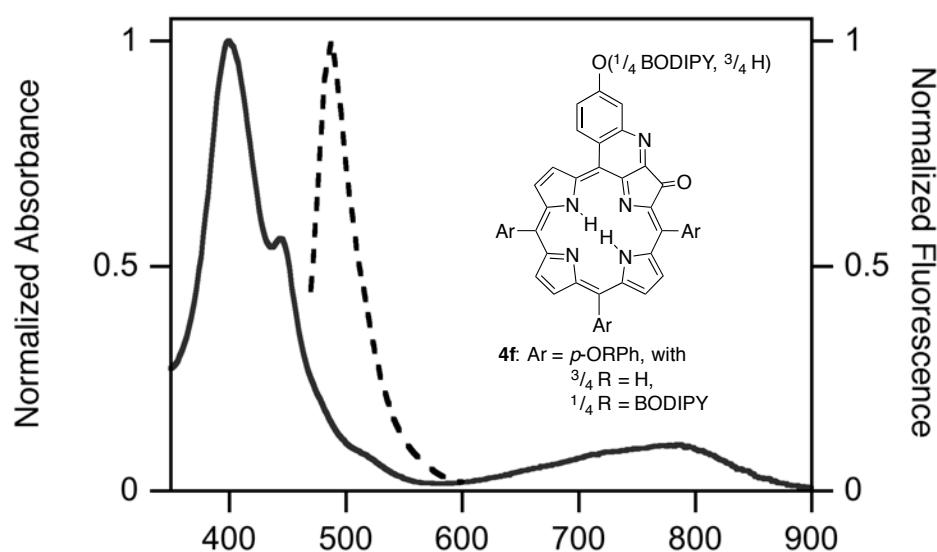
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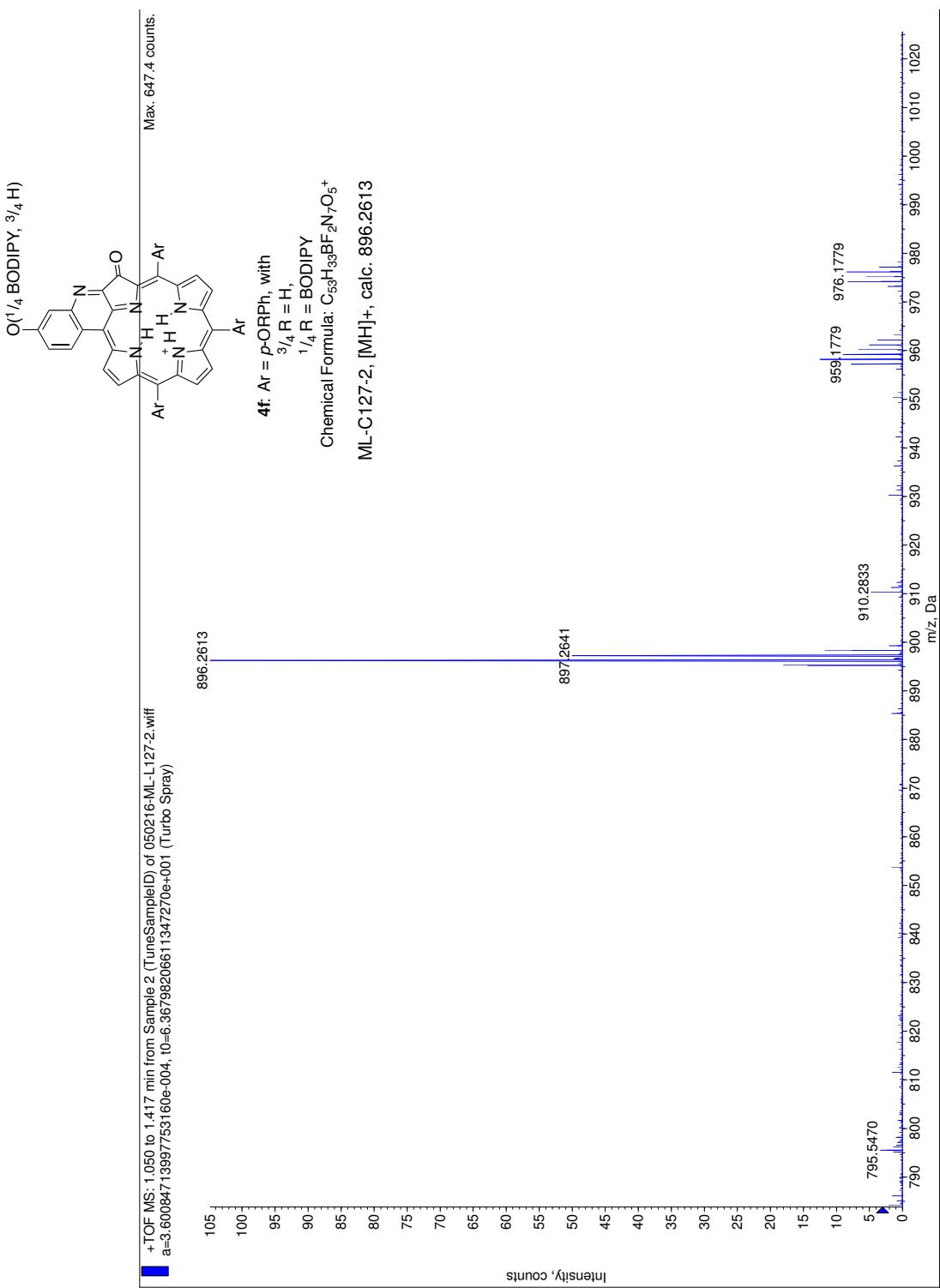
**Figure S40.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (500 MHz,  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ ) of **4f**.



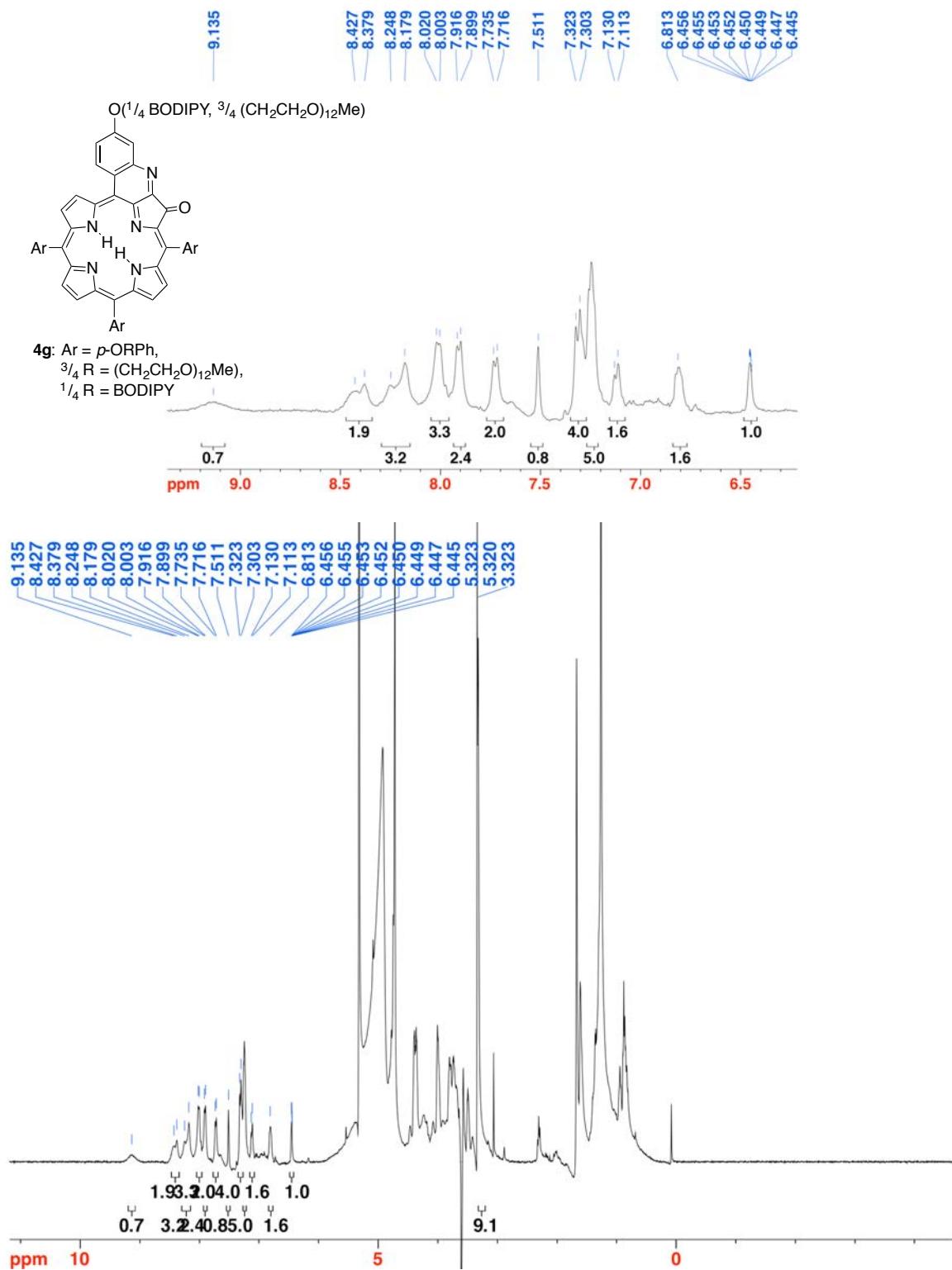
**Figure S41.**  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectrum (470 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) of **4f**.



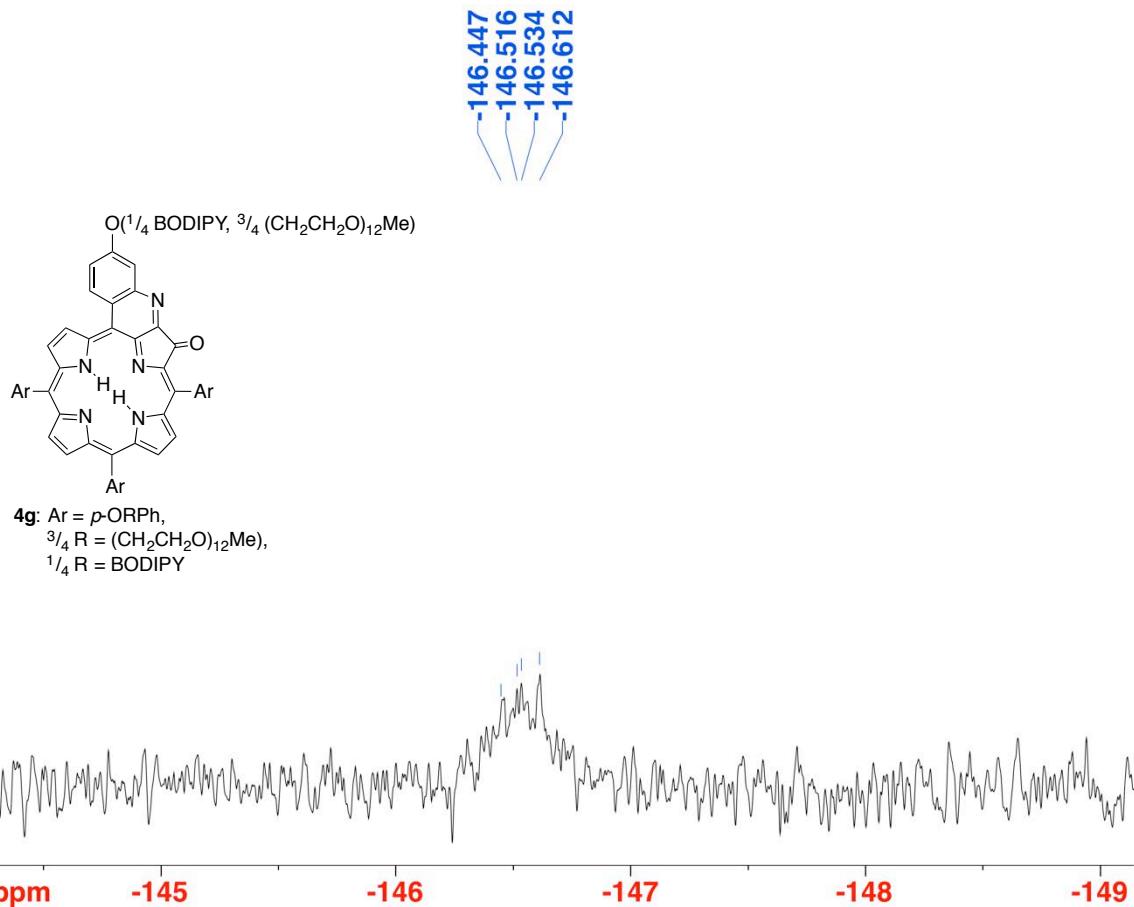
**Figure S42.** UV-vis and Fluorescence emission spectrum (MeOH,  $\lambda_{\text{excitation}} = 441$  nm) of **4f**.



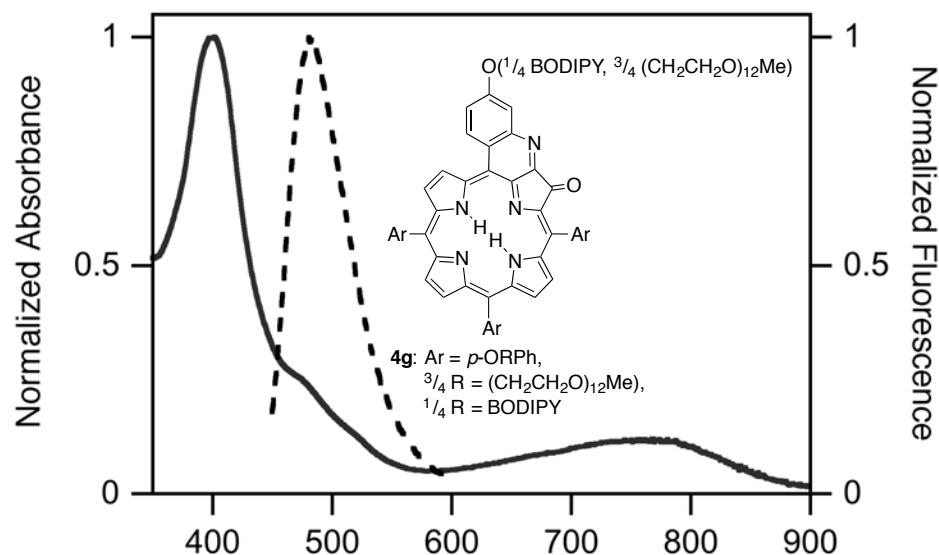
**Figure S43.** HR-MS (ESI+, 100% CH<sub>3</sub>CN, TOF) of **4f**.



**Figure S44.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum (400 MHz,  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , pre-saturated at 3.6 ppm) of **4g**.

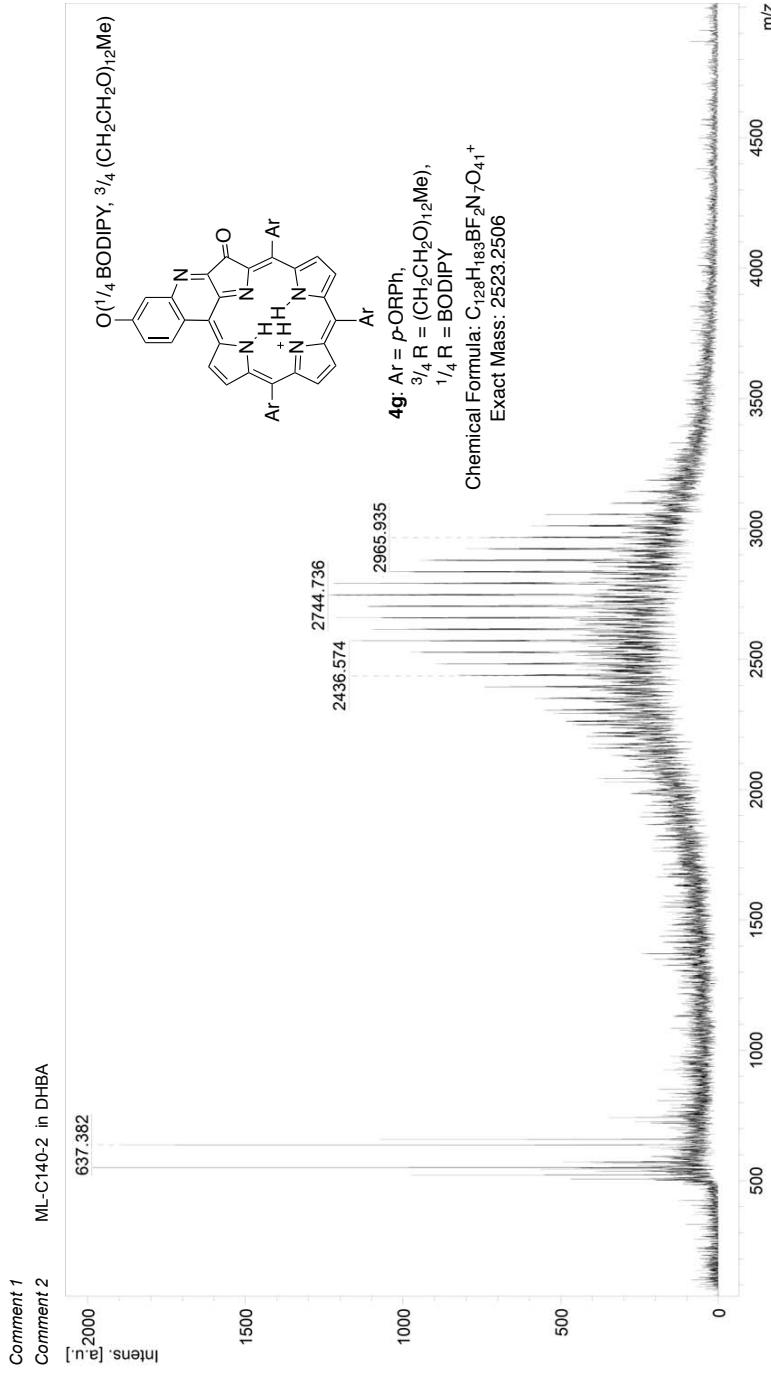


**Figure S45.** <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum (376 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) of **4g**.

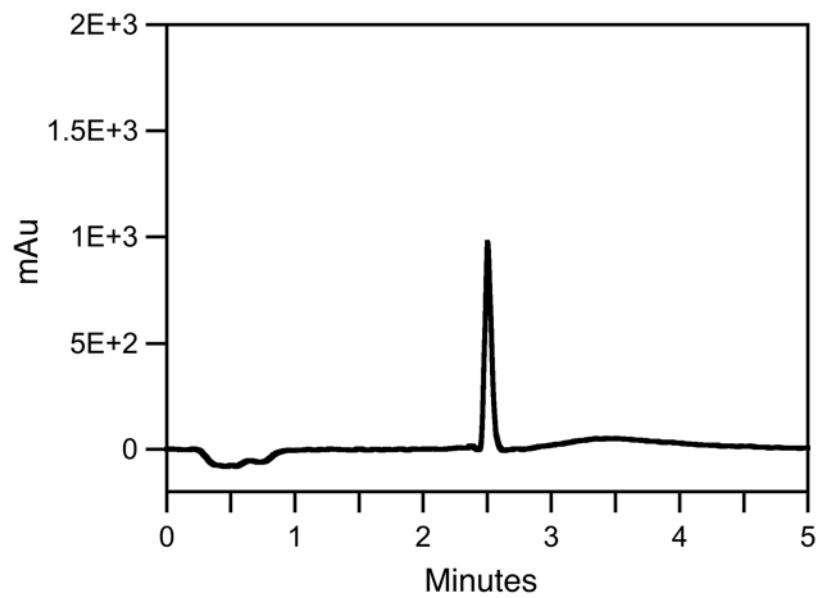


**Figure S46.** UV-vis and Fluorescence emission spectrum (MeOH,  $\lambda_{\text{excitation}} = 441$  nm) of **4g**.

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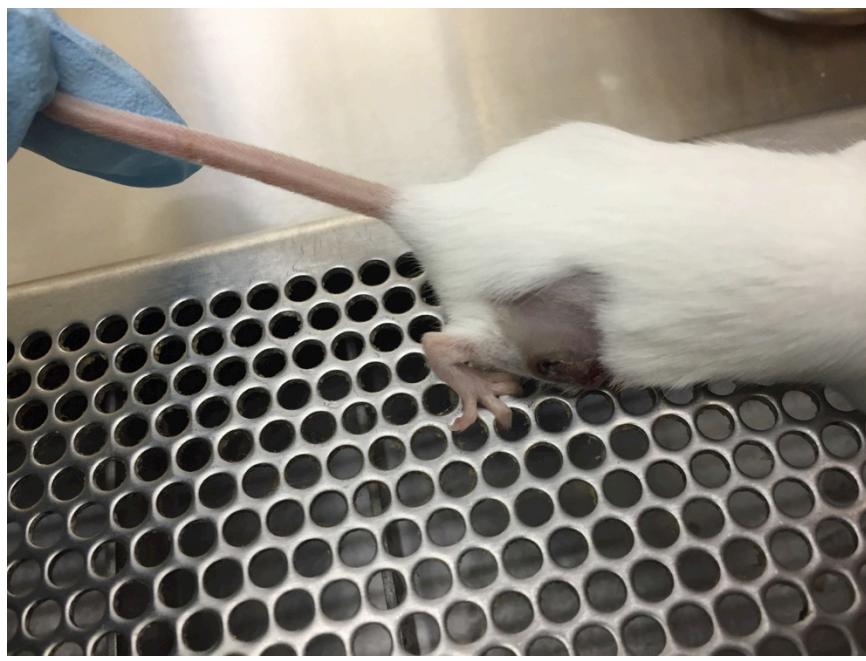
**Figure S47.** MALDI-TOF spectrum (100% DHBA) of **4g**.



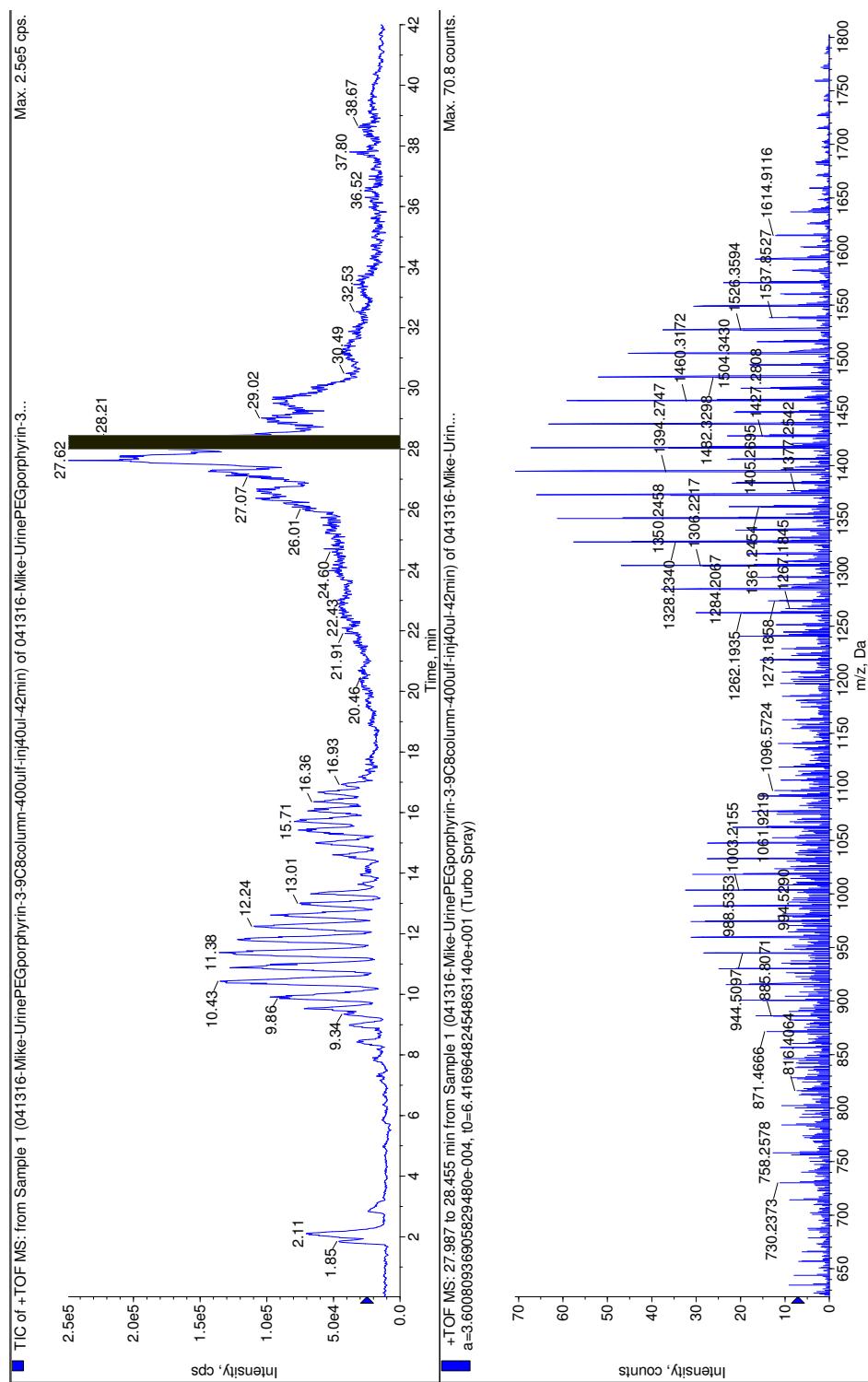
**Figure S48.** HPLC trace, UV-vis detector, of **4g** (silica, mobile phase:  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/5\%$  MeOH).



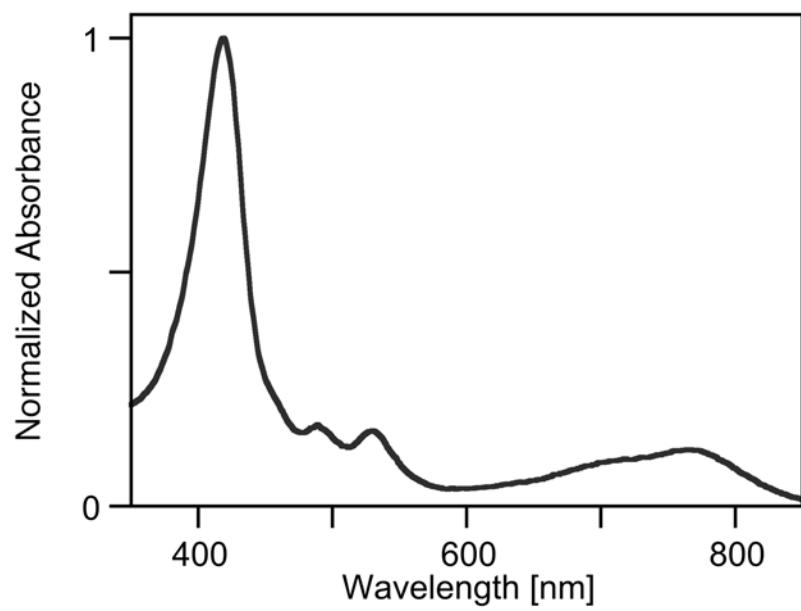
**Figure S49.** A mouse tumor before injection of **4e**.



**Figure S50.** A mouse tumor 48 h after injection of 100  $\mu\text{L}$  of a 33 mM solution of **4e** in PBS, showing the dark brown-stained tumor site.



**Figure S51.** LC-MS of mouse urine extract ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ), obtained after injection of **4e**.



**Figure S52.** UV-vis spectrum ( $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ ) of mouse (diluted) urine obtained after injection of **4e**.