



Supporting Information

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The room-temperature stabilization of bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-ene and bicyclo[3.2.1]oct-1-ene.

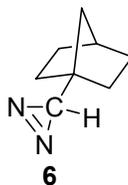
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1. Photolysis and Thermolysis Experiments:

Photolysis were carried out in sealed Pyrex NMR tubes using the output of a 200 W Hg-Power-Max lamp (Oriol). The sample was immersed into a partially silvered Dewar filled with ice/water and was positioned in the focal point of the light beam. A 10 cm water filter and a WG320 cut-off filter were placed between light source and sample for the photolysis above 300 nm. For the photolysis above 335 nm, a 10 cm water filter, a NG-5 cut-off filter and a 1 cm acetone filter were placed in the light beam. Thermolysis were carried out in sealed pyrex NMR tubes (medium wall thickness). The whole sample tube was immersed in an iso-temperature bath for a given time. The temperature was measured with a calibrated thermocouple. For the photolysis or thermolysis under anaerobic conditions, samples were degassed by four freeze-pump-thaw cycles under vacuum. Product analysis was carried out by ^1H NMR spectroscopy from the integration of selected multiplets: **5**⊙**6**: δ -1.31 (s, 1H); **5**⊙**10**: δ -2.21 (s, 1H, CHN_2); **5**⊙**1**: δ -0.52 - -0.62 (m, 2H); **5**⊙(*Z*)-**2**: δ -1.41 (m, 1H); **5**⊙**11**: δ 4.92 (s, 1H); **4**:^[1] δ 5.23 (d, $J = 17.4$ Hz, 1H).

2. Syntheses and compound characterizations:

2.1. 1-Bicyclo[2.2.1]heptyldiazirine **6**:



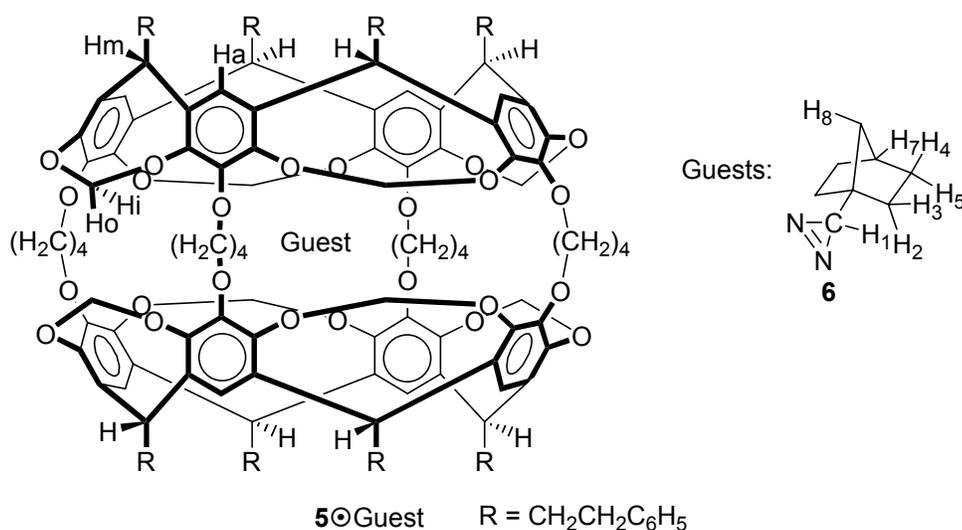
1-Bicyclo[2.2.1]heptyldiazirine was prepared via a general procedure for the preparation of diazirines from aldehydes or ketones.^[2] Within 2-3 minutes, a 1 M solution of lithium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide (45 ml, 45 mmol) in THF was added drop-wise under Ar to a cooled (0 °C) solution of 1-bicyclo[2.2.1]heptylcarboxaldehyde **7** (2.5 g, 20 mmol) in dry THF (30 ml).^[3] After 30 minutes at 0 °C, the reaction solution was cooled to - 30 °C and $\text{NH}_2\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ (2.52 g, 26 mmol) dissolved in dry diglyme (20 ml) was added drop-wise. The suspension was stirred for one hour at 0 °C before a

solution of freshly prepared *tert*-butyl hypochlorite (2.2 ml) in *tert*-butanol (2.4 ml) was added dropwise over 15 minutes. The reaction solution was stirred for one hour at 0 °C and poured onto 10 % sodium meta bisulfite in water (300 ml). Both phases were separated and the aqueous layer extracted with pentane (4 x 30 ml). The combined organic layers were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated to about 5 ml. The residual crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO₂, pentane). The combined product fractions were concentrated at a rotavaporator leaving 1-bicyclo[2.2.1]heptyldiazirine **6** as a colorless oil (540 mg, 24 % yield).

¹H NMR: (CDCl₃; 200 MHz; 23 °C): δ_H 2.18 (m, 1H, H_{bridgehead}), 1.66-1.4 (m, 2H), 1.4-1.06 (m, 8H), 0.95 (s, 1H, (N₂)CH). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃; 50.29 MHz; 23 °C): δ_C 47.3, 40.8, 37.0, 32.3, 30.0, 24.5.

UV/Vis (CH₂Cl₂): λ_{max} 340 nm (ε = 100). FT-IR (CDCl₃): ν (cm⁻¹) 2957.2 (s), 2920.8 (m), 2871.4 (m), 1612.7 (w), 1583.6 (m), 1456.4 (w), 1334.7 (w), 1303.5 (w). DCI-MS (NH₃): *m/z* 109 [M-N₂+H]⁺ (40 %), 126 [2M-N₂+NH₄]⁺ (22%).

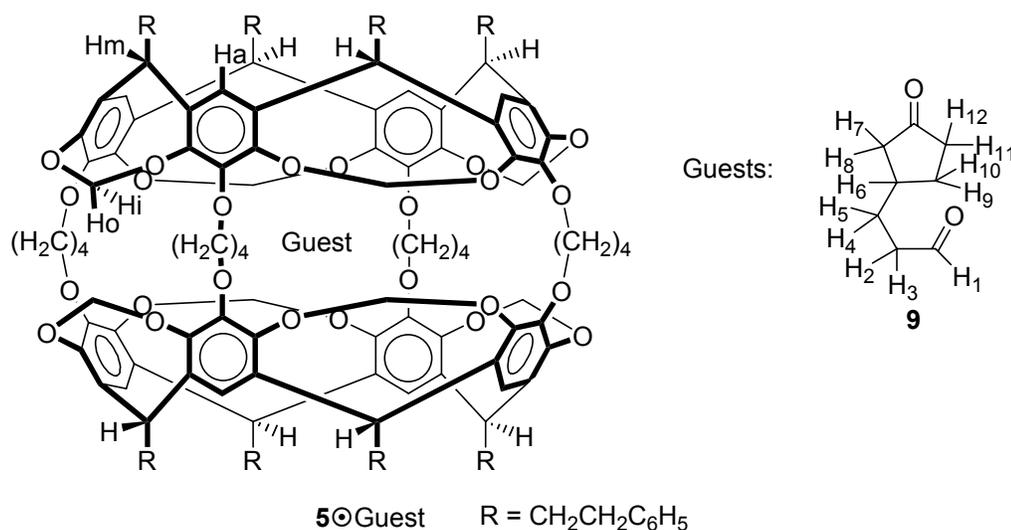
2.2. Hemicarceplex 5⊙6:



1-Bicyclo[2.2.1]heptyldiazirine **6** (0.2 ml) was added via syringe to a suspension of **8** (155 mg, 0.071 mmol),^[4] 1,4-butanediol dimesylate (87 mg, 0.353 mmol), and Cs₂CO₃ (1g) in dry HMPA (8 ml). The suspension was stirred 4 days under argon in the dark at room temperature. The reaction was quenched by the addition of brine (40 ml). The precipitate was filtered off, washed with water (2 x 10 ml), methanol (2 x 2 ml), and was dried at high vacuum. The crude product was dissolved in the minimum amount of chloroform and purified by preparative TLC (silica gel, 2mm, CHCl₃) to give **5⊙6** (60 mg,

36% yield) as a white powder. ^1H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl_3 ; 23 °C): $\delta_{\text{H}} = 7.26\text{--}7.14$ (m, 40H, Ph-*H*), 6.84 (s, 8H, *H*_a), 5.75 (d, $^3J(\text{H,H}) = 6.7$ Hz, 8H, OCH_oHO), 4.83 (t, $^3J(\text{H,H}) = 7.8$ Hz, 8H, CH_m), 4.32 (d, $^3J(\text{H,H}) = 6.7$ Hz, 8H, OCH_iHO), 4.01 (sb, 16H, OCH_2CH_2), 2.72–2.67 (m, 16 H, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$), 2.52–2.45 (m, 16H, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$), 1.93 (sb, 16H, OCH_2CH_2), 0.17 (s, 2H, H₈, **6**), 0.044 (m, 1H, H₇, **6**), 0.01 (t, 4H, **6**), -0.26 (m, 2H, **6**), -0.88 (m, 2H, **6**), -1.31 (s, 1H, H₁, **6**). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 ; 50.29 MHz; 23 °C): δ_{C} 148.82, 144.39, 142.13, 139.02, 128.79, 128.67, 126.22, 114.58, 98.37, 71.73, 45.32 (G), 40.14 (G), 37.43, 34.92, 34.83 (G), 32.75, 31.64 (G) 29.03 (G), 28.44, 22.06 (G). LR FAB-MS (NBA-matrix): *m/z* 2385.3 (100) $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$, 2356.6 (95) $[\text{M}-\text{N}_2+\text{H}]^+$, 2249.8 (30) $[\text{M}-\mathbf{6}+\text{H}]^+$; elemental analysis calcd (%) for $\text{C}_{152}\text{H}_{148}\text{N}_2\text{O}_{24}$: C, 76.49; H, 6.25; N, 1.17; found: C, 76.76; H, 6.10; N, 1.29.

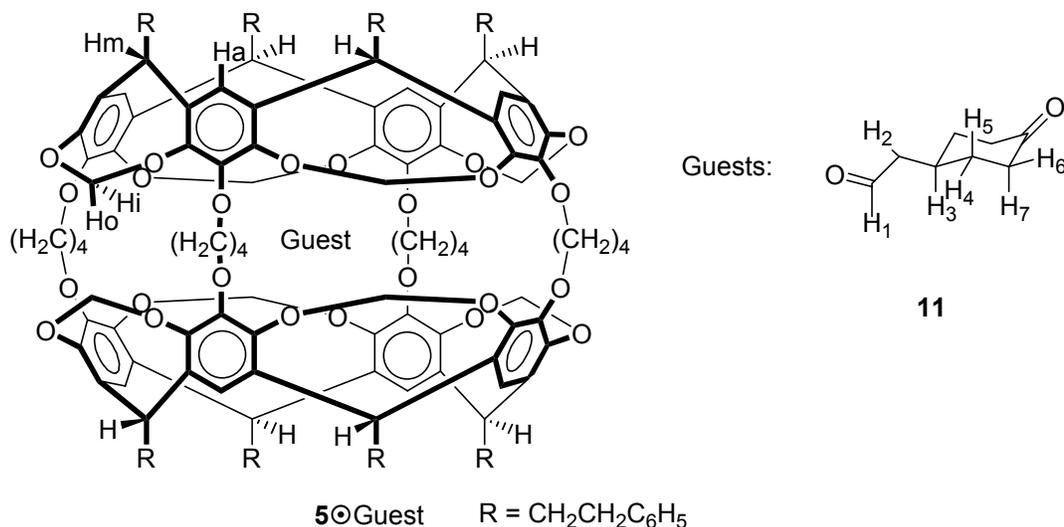
2.3. Hemicarceplex **5**⊙**9**:



Hemicarceplex **5**⊙**9** was isolated by preparative TLC (SiO_2 , CHCl_3) from the product mixture, which results if **5**⊙**6** is photolyzed in CDCl_3 ($\lambda > 300$ nm, 0 °C) and the photoproducts are heated as a solid for 2 days at 60 °C in the presence of oxygen. ^1H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl_3 ; 23 °C): $\delta_{\text{H}} = 7.25\text{--}7.14$ (m, 40H, Ph-*H*), 6.85 (s, 8H, *H*_a), 5.81 (s, 1H, H₁, **9**), 5.79 (d, $^3J(\text{H,H}) = 7.4$ Hz, 8H, OCH_oHO), 4.84 (t, $^3J(\text{H,H}) = 8$ Hz, 8H, CH_m), 4.35 (d, $^3J(\text{H,H}) = 7.4$ Hz, 8H, OCH_iHO), 4.10 (m, 8H, OCHHCH_2), 3.96 (m, 8H, OCHHCH_2), 2.70–2.65 (m, 16 H, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$), 2.52–2.45 (m, 16H, $\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$), 2.04–1.83 (m, 16H, OCH_2CH_2), 1.37 (m, 1H, H₆, **9**), 1.24 (dd, $J = 17.4, 8.4$, 1H, H₈, **9**), 0.54 (m, 1H, H₇, **9**), 0.51 (m, 1H, H₄, **9**), 0.51 (m, 1H, H₅, **9**), 0.48 (m, 1H, H₂, **9**), 0.43 (m, 1H, H₃, **9**), 0.15 (m, 1H, H₁₂, **9**), -0.61 (dd, $J = 11, 19.6$ Hz, 1H, H₁₁, **9**), -0.78 (m, 1H, H₉, **9**), -0.90 (m, 1H, H₁₀, **9**). FT-IR (CHCl_3): ν (cm^{-1})

2948.7 (s), 2875.3 (m), 2821 (w), 2729.5 (w), 1742.4 (m), 1602.4 (m), 1576.6 (w), 1496.9 (m), 1474.2 (s), 1467.2 (s), 1440.8 (s), 1374.5 (m), 1316.7 (s). LR FAB-MS (NBA-matrix): m/z 2390.5 (45) $[M+H]^+$, 2250.4 (100) $[M-9+H]^+$. Elemental analysis calcd (%) for $C_{152}H_{148}N_2O_{24}$: C, 76.36; H, 6.24; found: C, 76.33; H, 6.06.

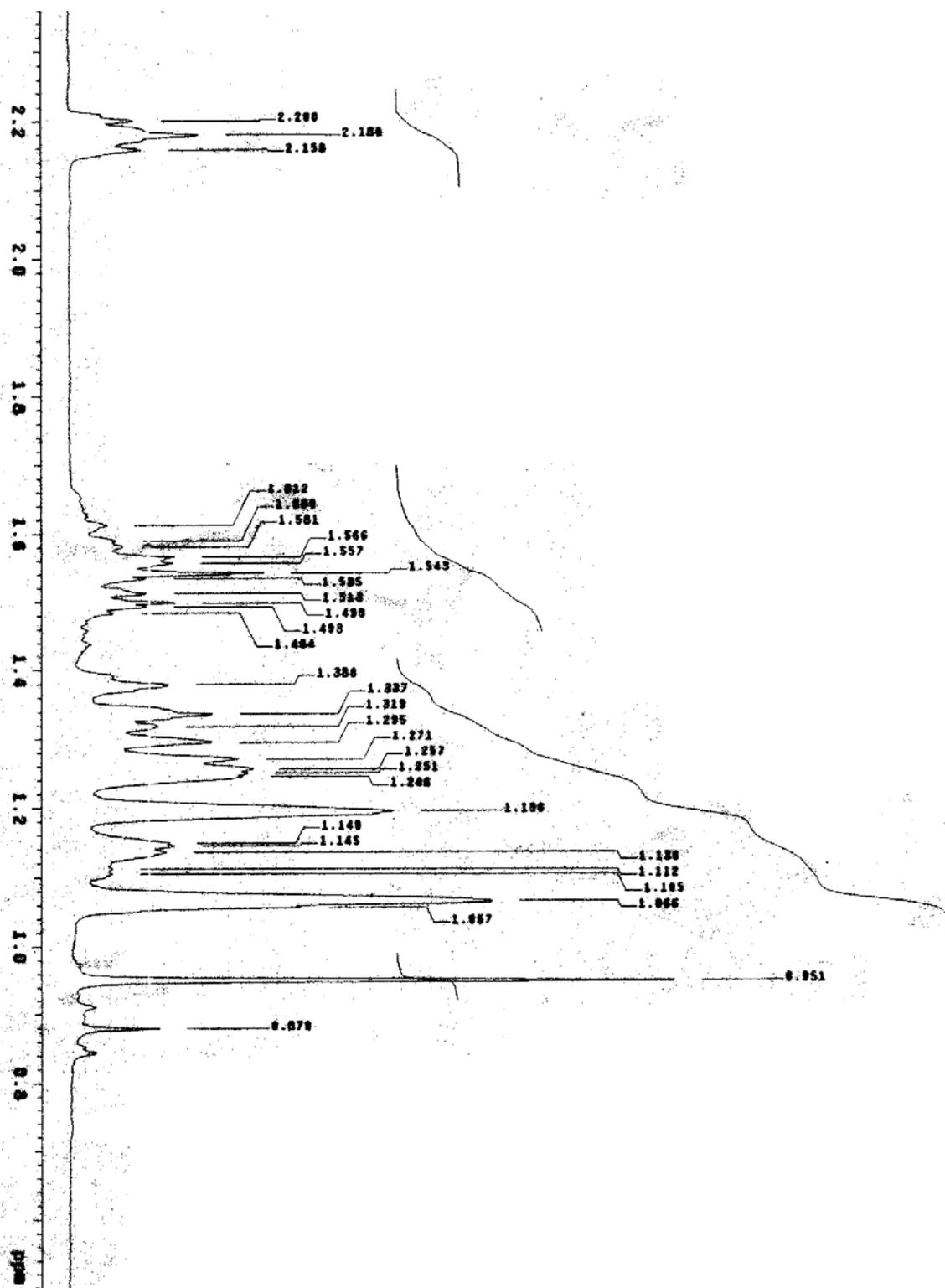
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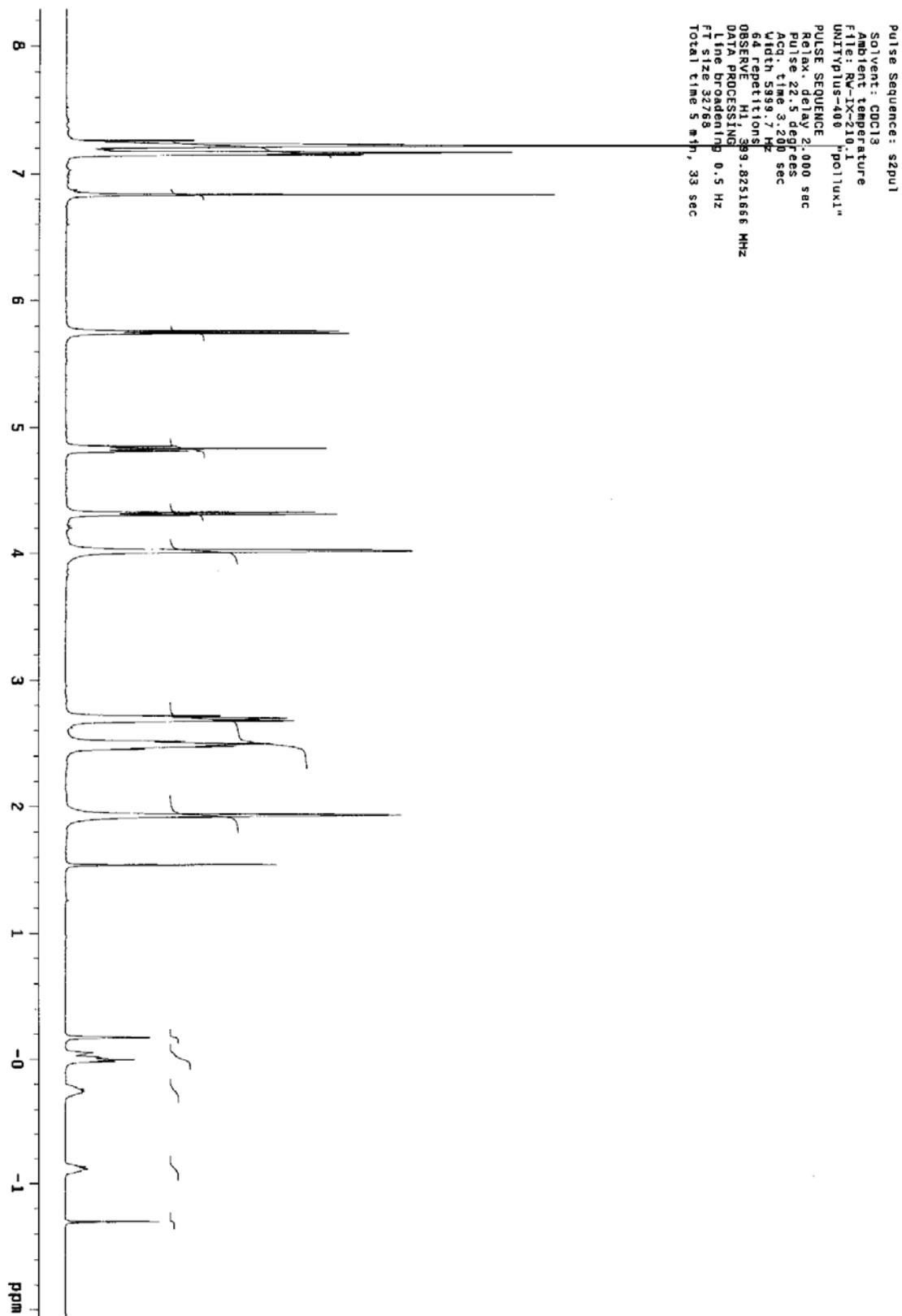
Hemicarceplex **5**⊙**11** was isolated by preparative TLC (SiO_2 , $CHCl_3$) from the product mixture, which results if **5**⊙**6** is photolyzed ($\lambda > 300$ nm, 23 °C) in the presence of oxygen. 1H NMR (400 MHz; $CDCl_3$; 23 °C): $\delta_H = 7.25-7.15$ (m, 40H, Ph-*H*), 6.87 (s, 8H, *H_a*), 5.73 (d, $^3J(H,H) = 6.8$ Hz, 8H, OCH_oHO), 4.92 (s, 1H, H_1 , **11**), 4.83 (t, $^3J(H,H) = 7.88$ Hz, 8H, CH_m), 4.21 (d, $^3J(H,H) = 6.8$ Hz, 8H, OCH_iHO), 4.02 (s, 16H, OCH_2CH_2), 2.75-2.68 (m, 16 H, CH_2CH_2Ph), 2.56-2.47 (m, 16H, CH_2CH_2Ph), 1.90 (s, 16H, OCH_2CH_2), 1.06 (m, 1H, H_3 , **11**), 0.97 (d, $J = 6$ Hz, 2H, H_2 , **11**), 0.97 (m, 2H, H_5 , **11**), 0.81 (ddd, $^3J(H,H) = 6, 13, 13$ Hz, 2H, H_4 , **11**), 0.69 (m, 2H, H_6 , **11**), 0.66 (m, 2H, H_7 , **11**). FT-IR ($CDCl_3$): ν (cm^{-1}) 3085.8 (w), 3064.0 (w), 3027.2 (m), 2994.9 (w), 2947.9 (s), 2875.7 (m), 2847.9 (w), 2731.9 (w), 1726.2 (m), 1721.0 (m), 1602.1 (m), 1577.1 (w), 1496.9 (m), 1474.2 (s), 1468.2 (s), 1453.1 (m), 1440.5 (s), 1373.4 (m), 1313.6 (s), 1157.4 (s), 1106.9 (s), 1065 (s), 1024 (s), 994.8 (s). LR FAB-MS (NBA-matrix): m/z 2389.9 (45) $[M+H]^+$. Elemental analysis calcd (%) for $C_{152}H_{148}N_2O_{24}$: C, 76.36; H, 6.24; found: C, 76.47; H, 6.11.

3. NMR spectra

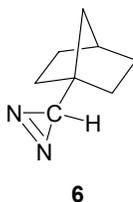
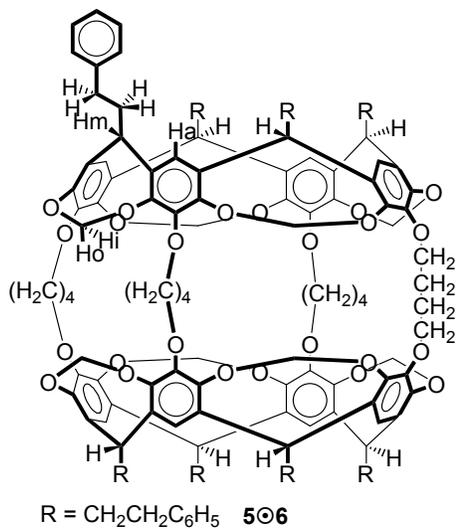
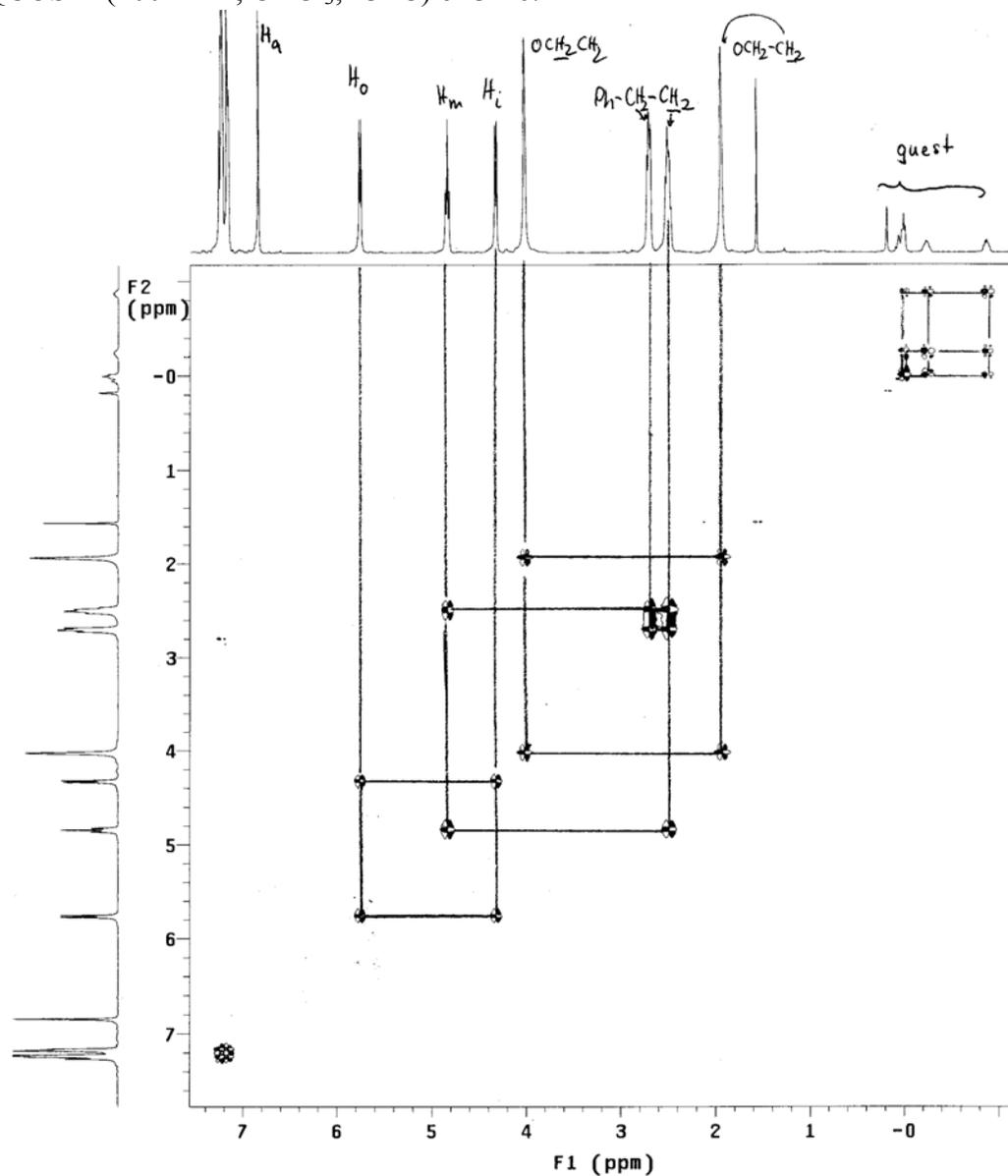
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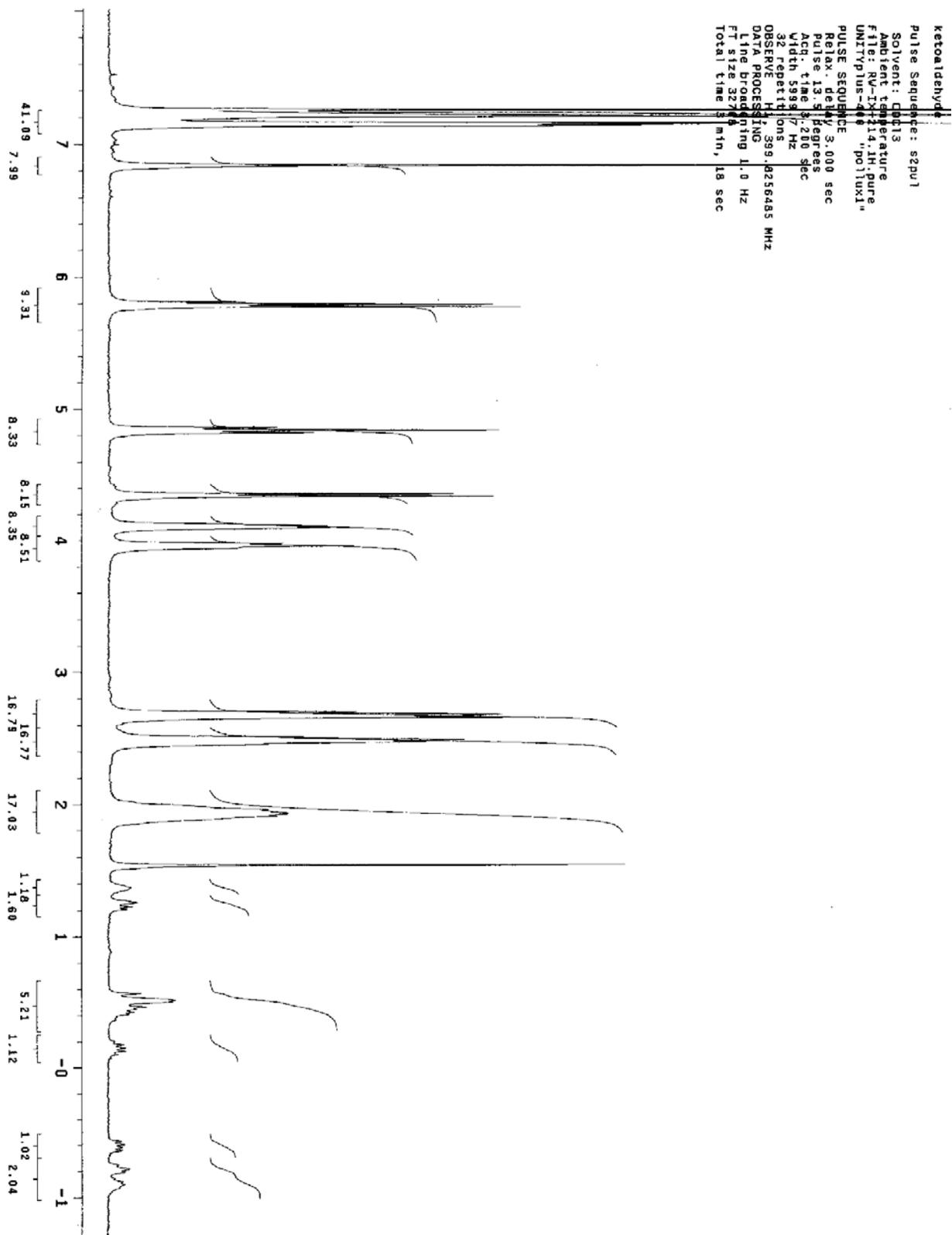
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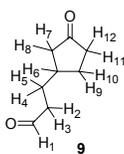
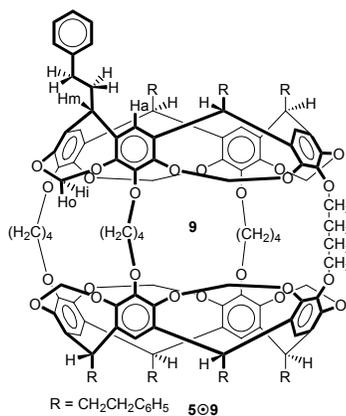
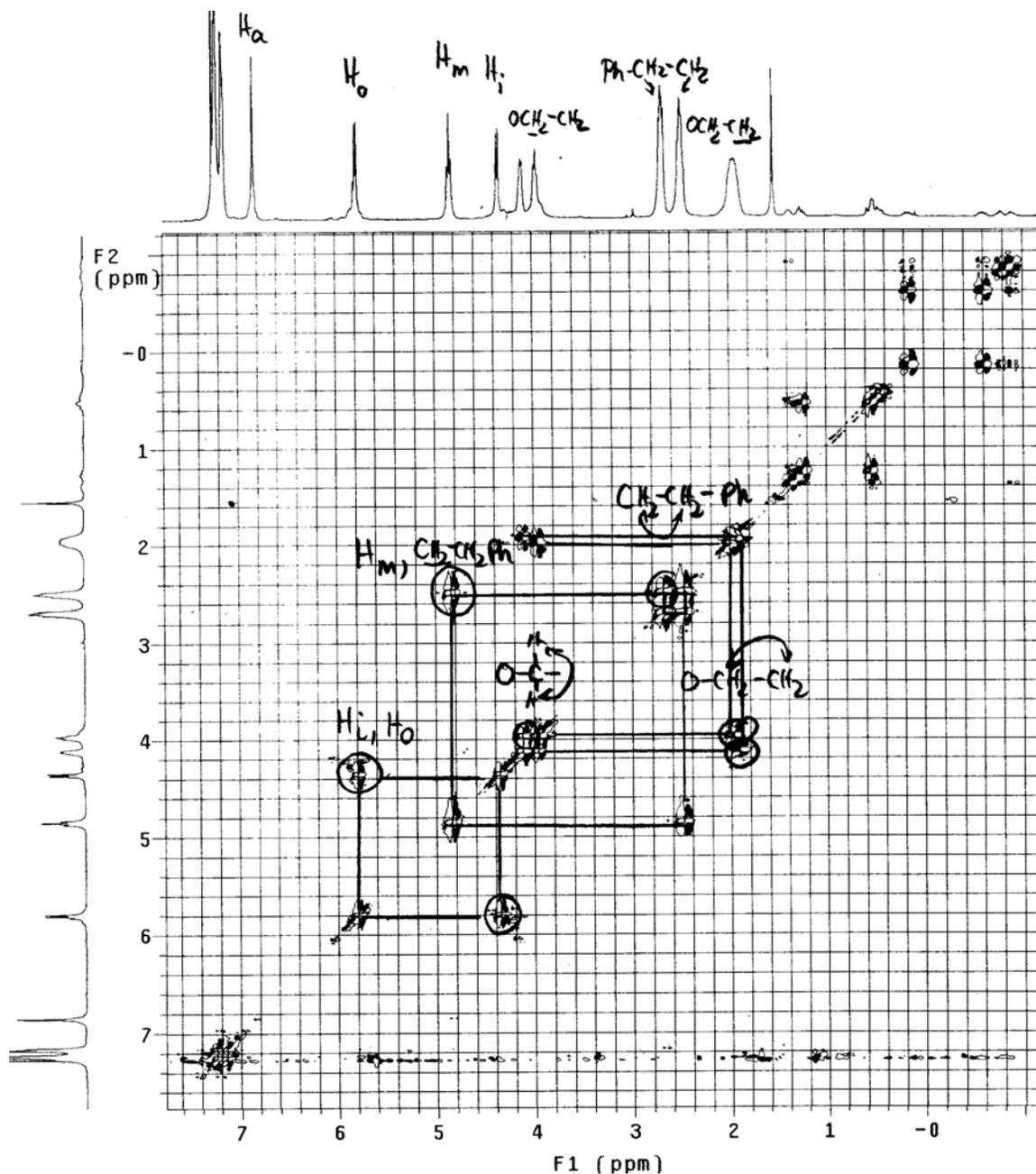
3.3. DQCOSY (400 MHz; CDCl₃, 23 °C) of 5⊙6.



3.4. ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz; CDCl_3 , 23 $^\circ\text{C}$) of **509**.

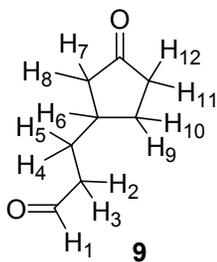
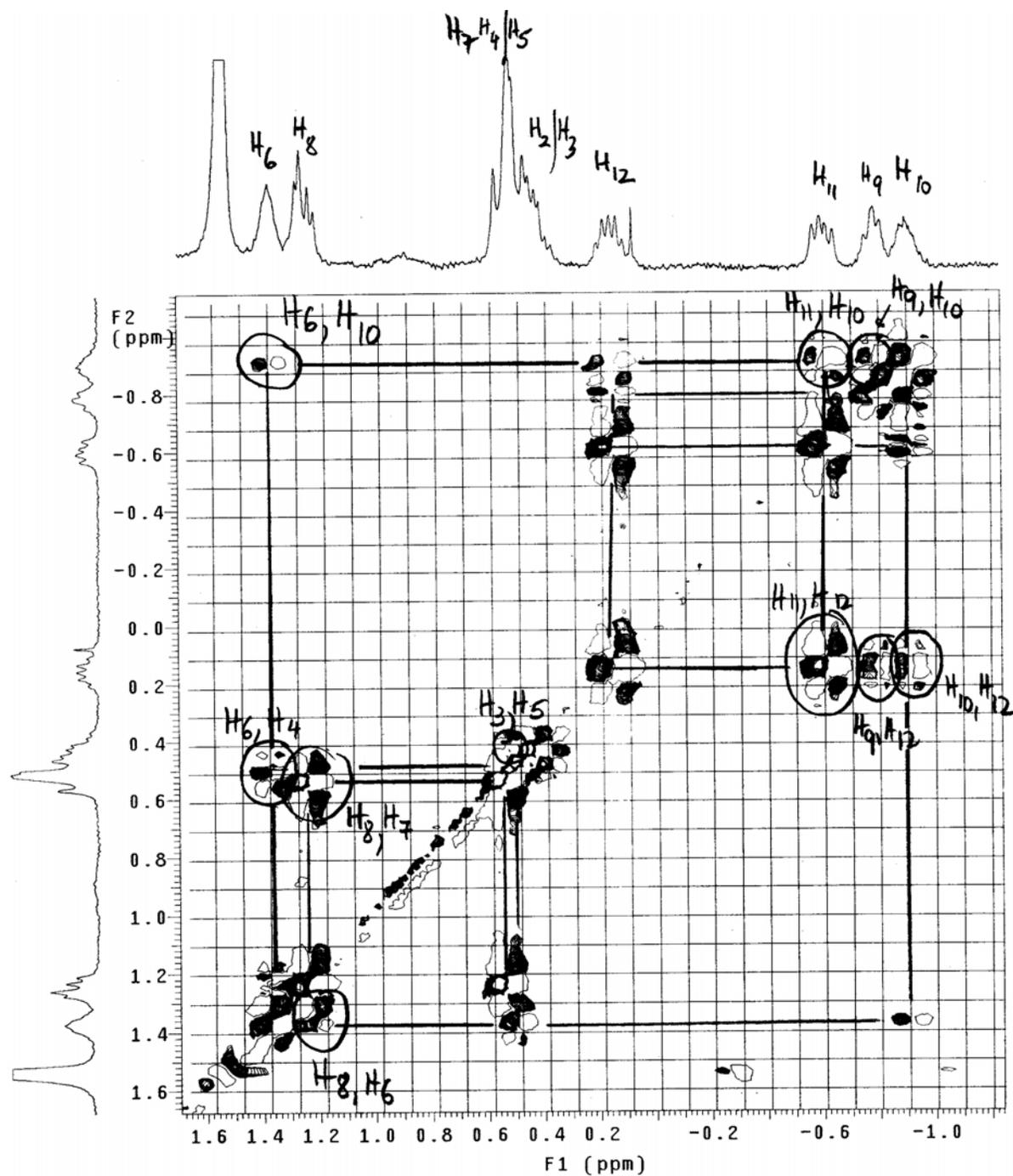


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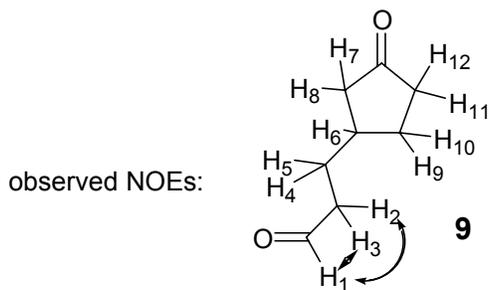
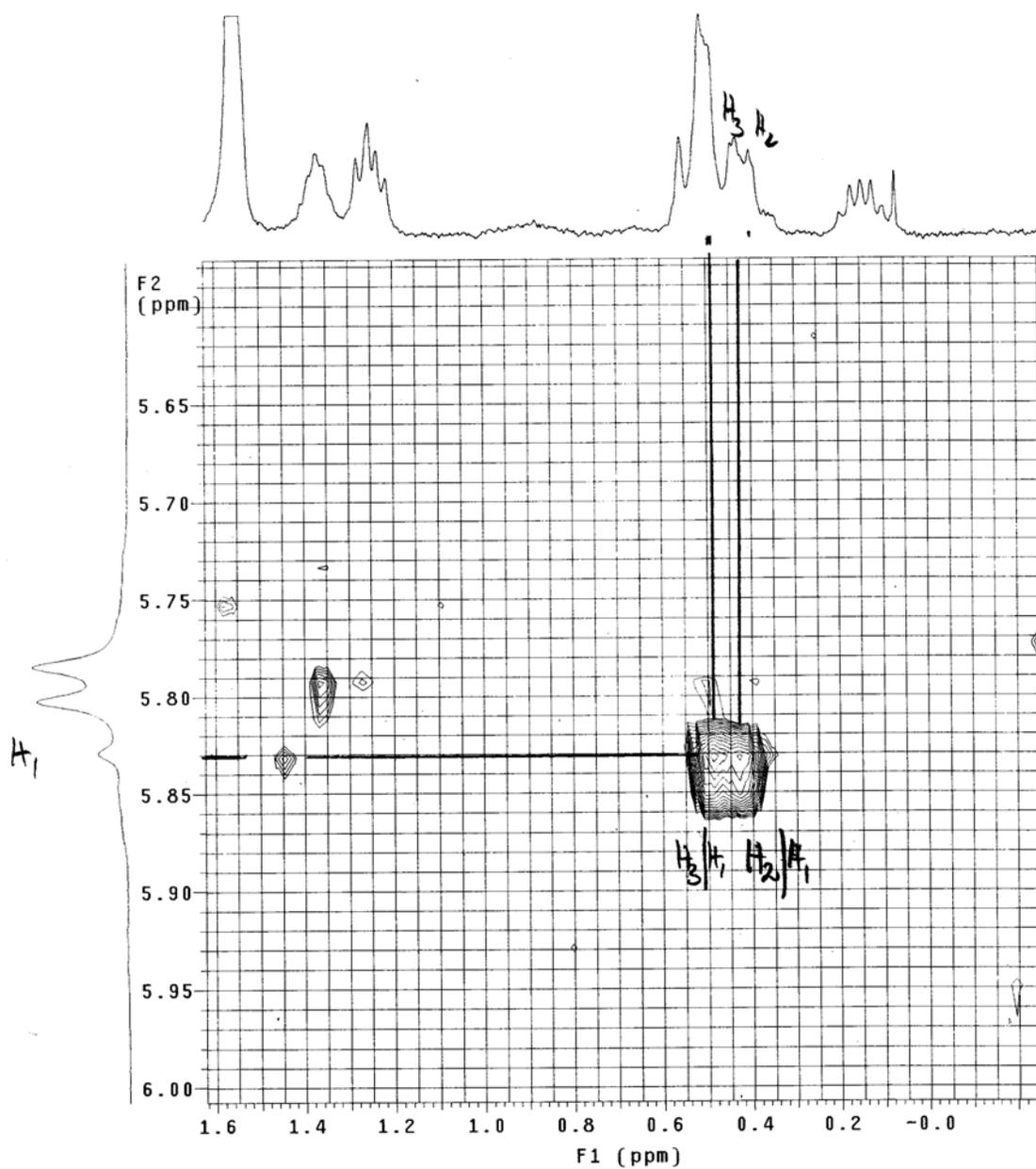


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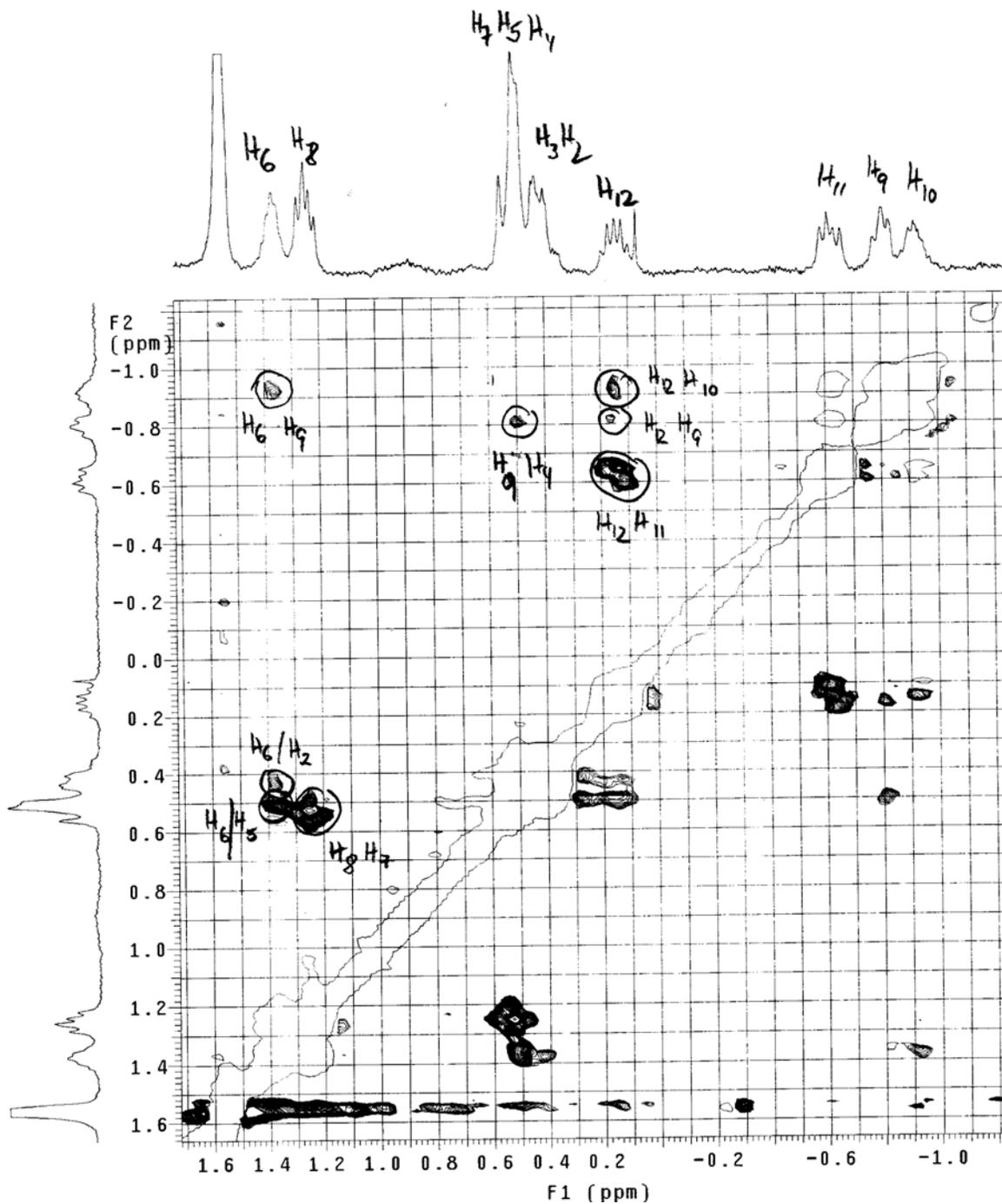
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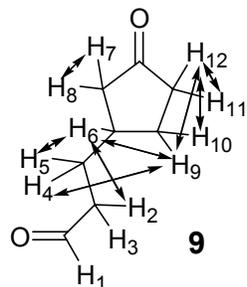
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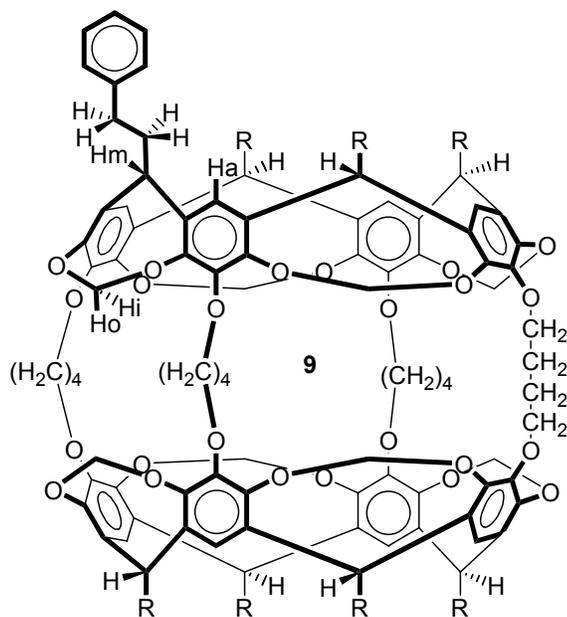
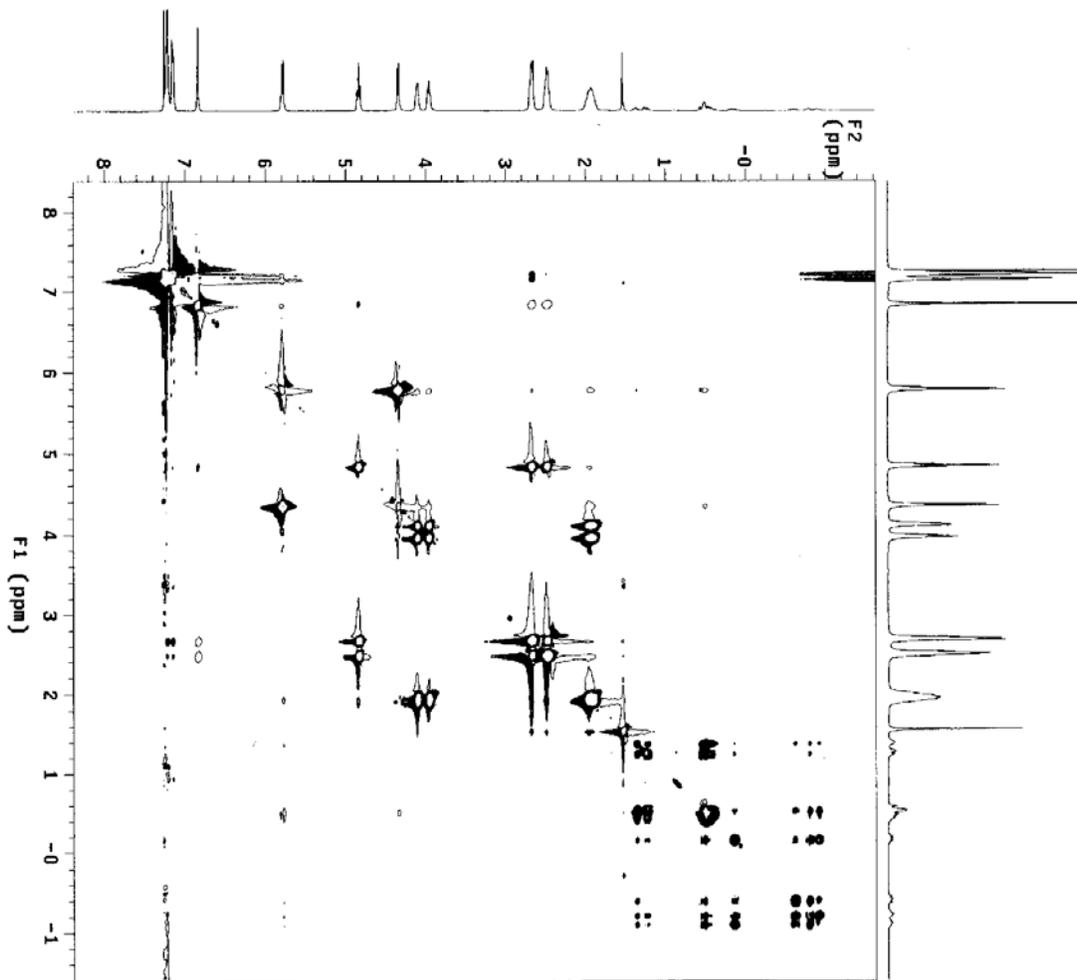
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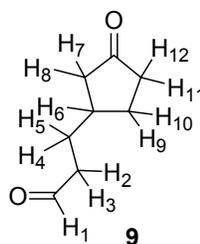
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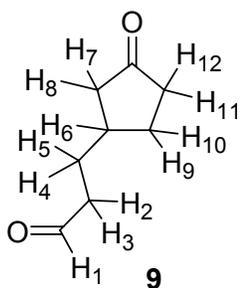
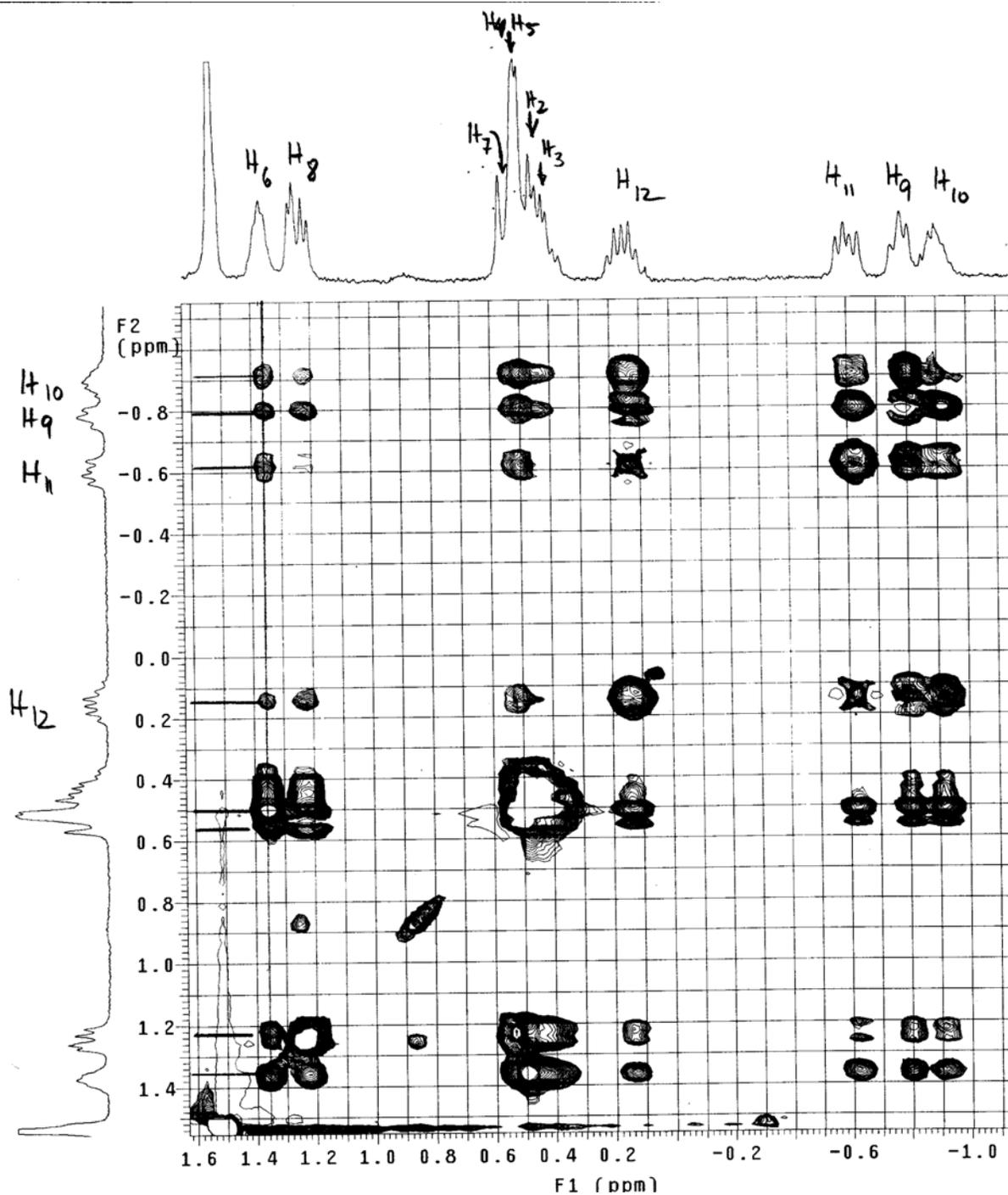


R = CH₂CH₂C₆H₅ **5**⊙**9**

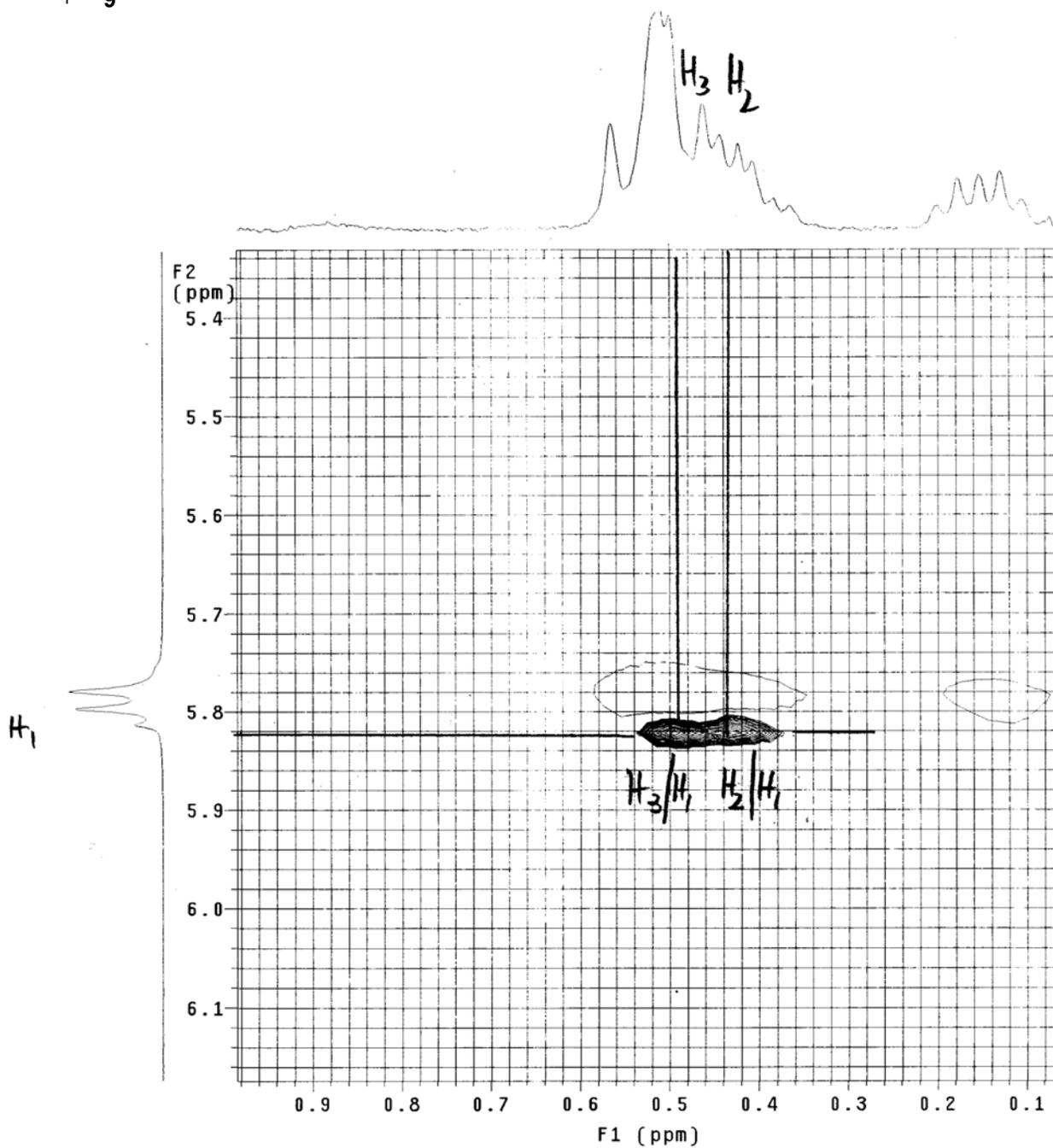
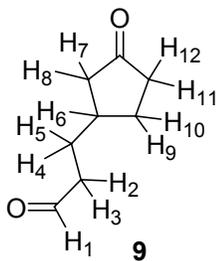


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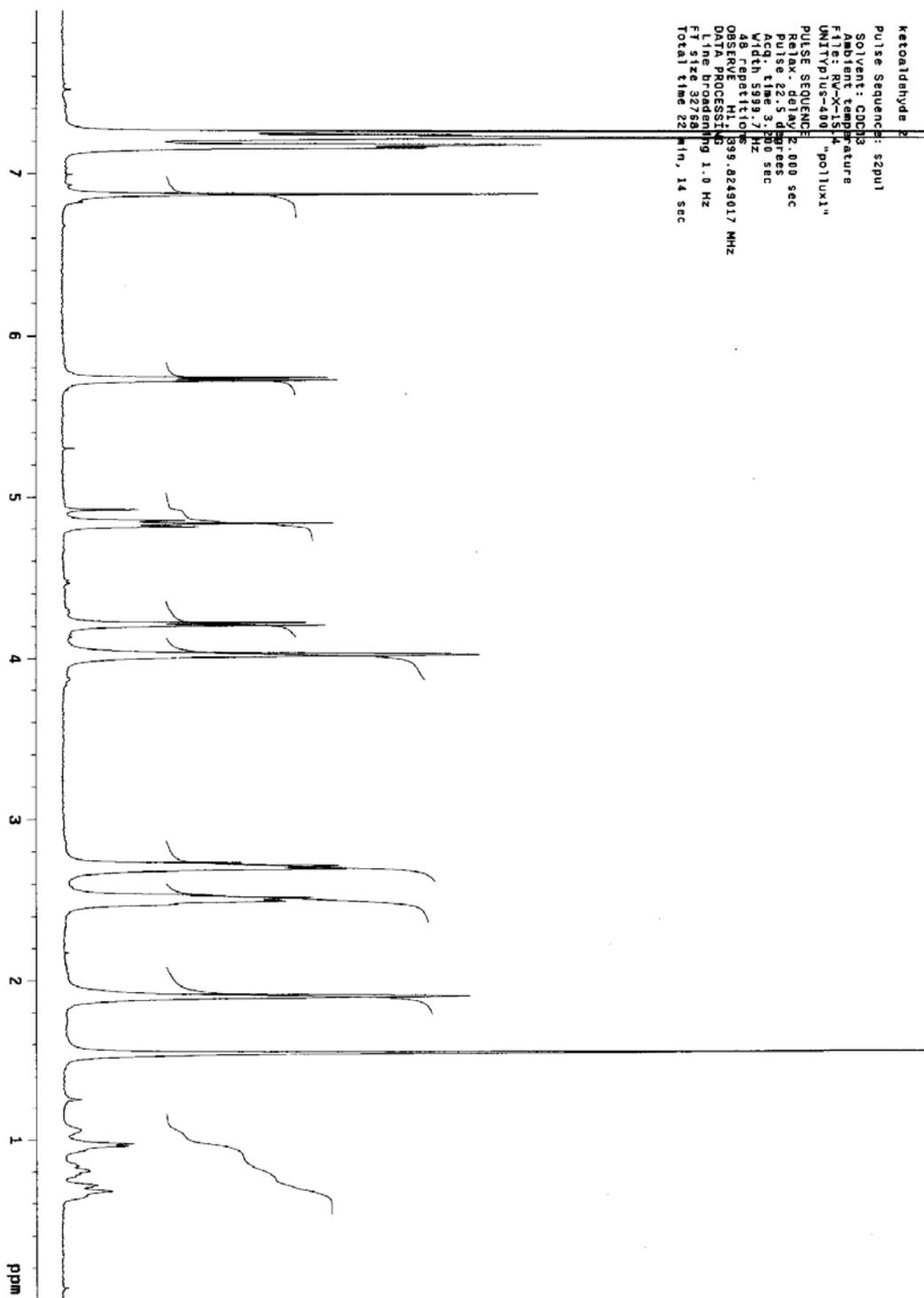
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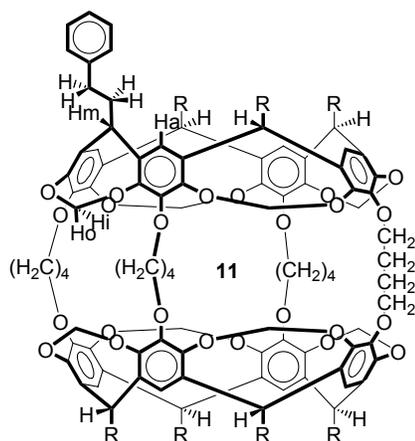
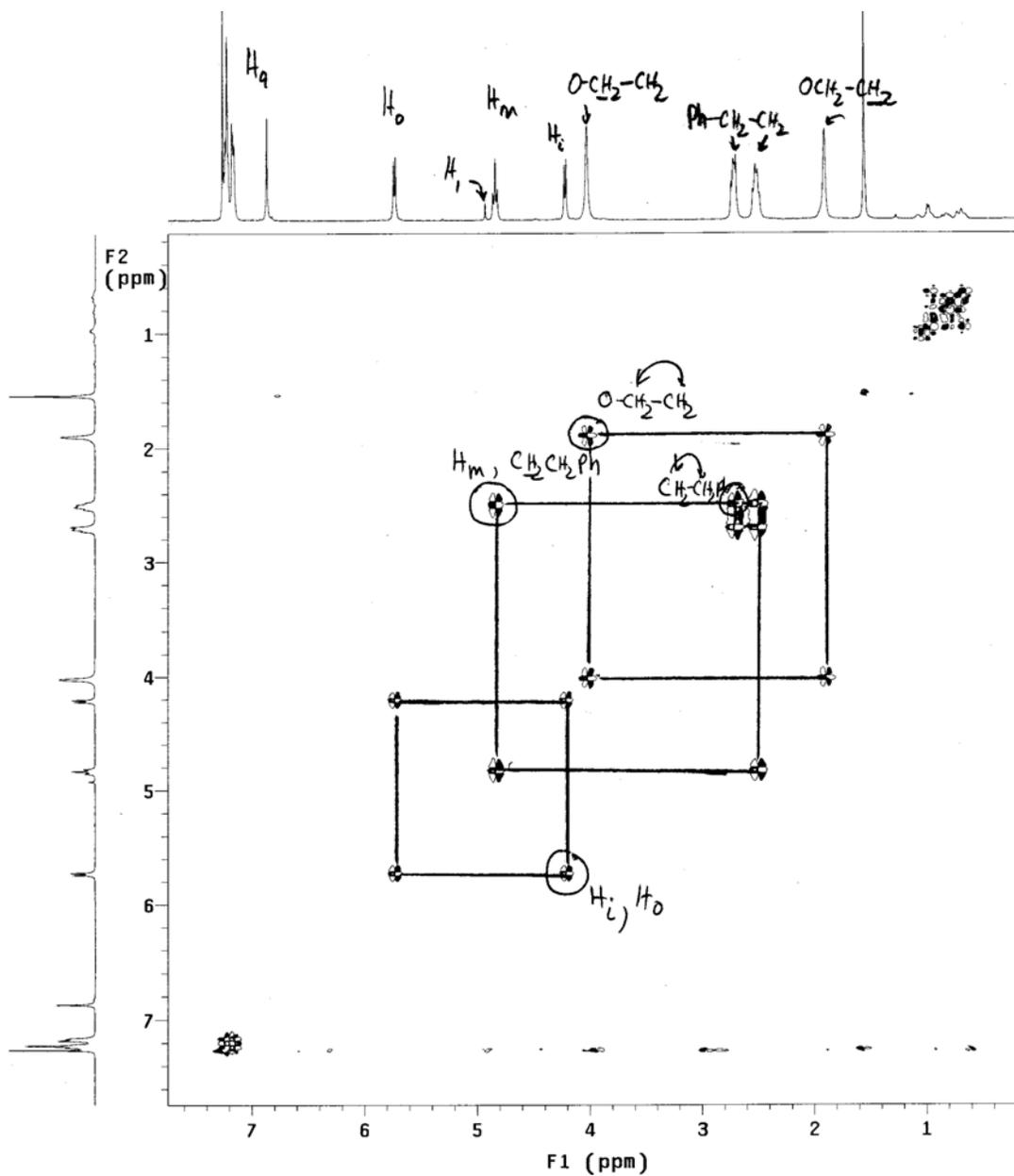
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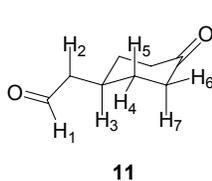
3.8. ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz; CDCl_3 , 23 $^\circ\text{C}$) of **5**Ⓞ**11**.



3.9.1. DQCOSY (400 MHz; CDCl₃, 23 °C) of 5⊙11.

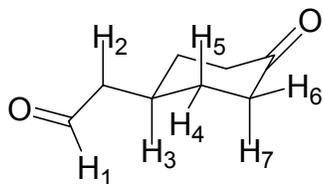
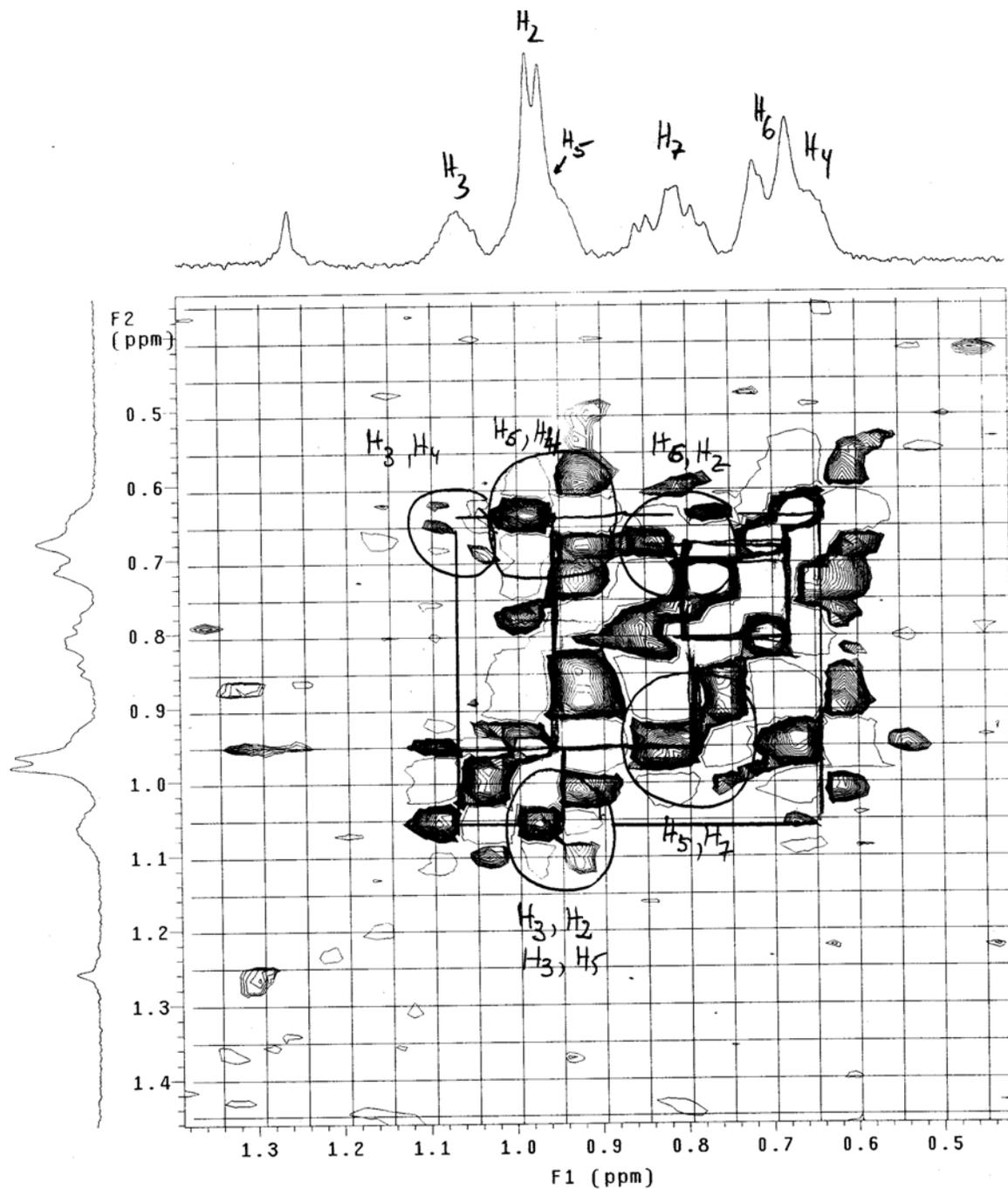


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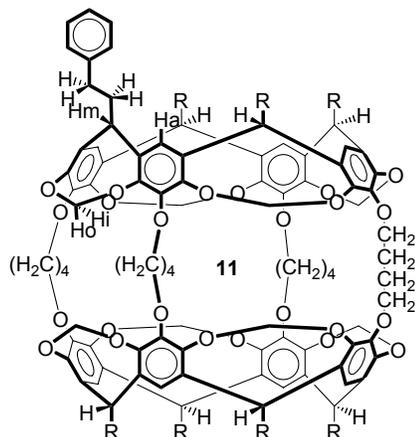
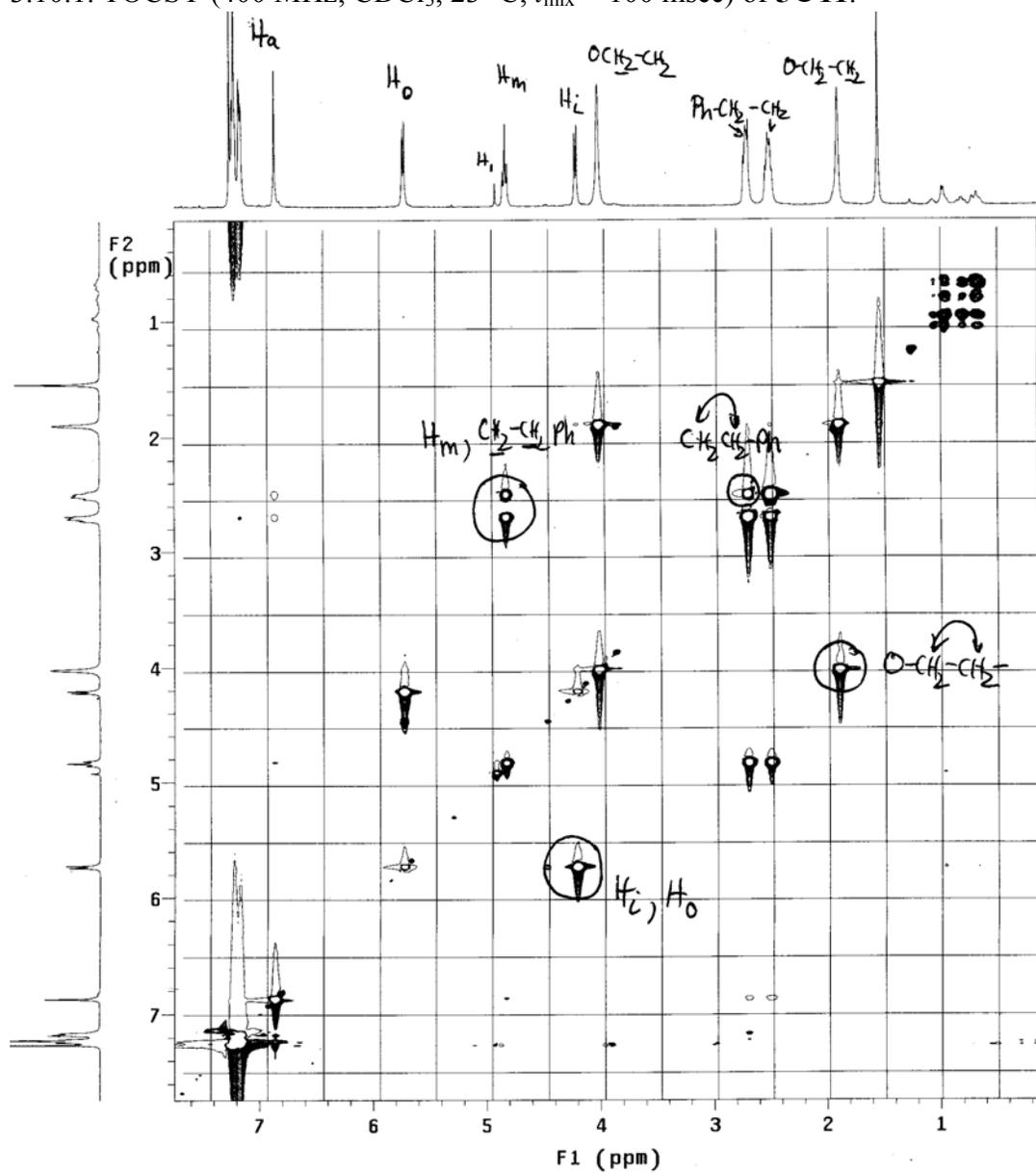
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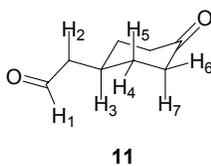


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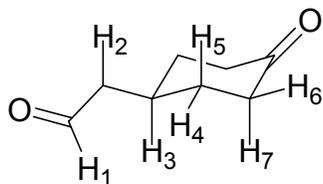
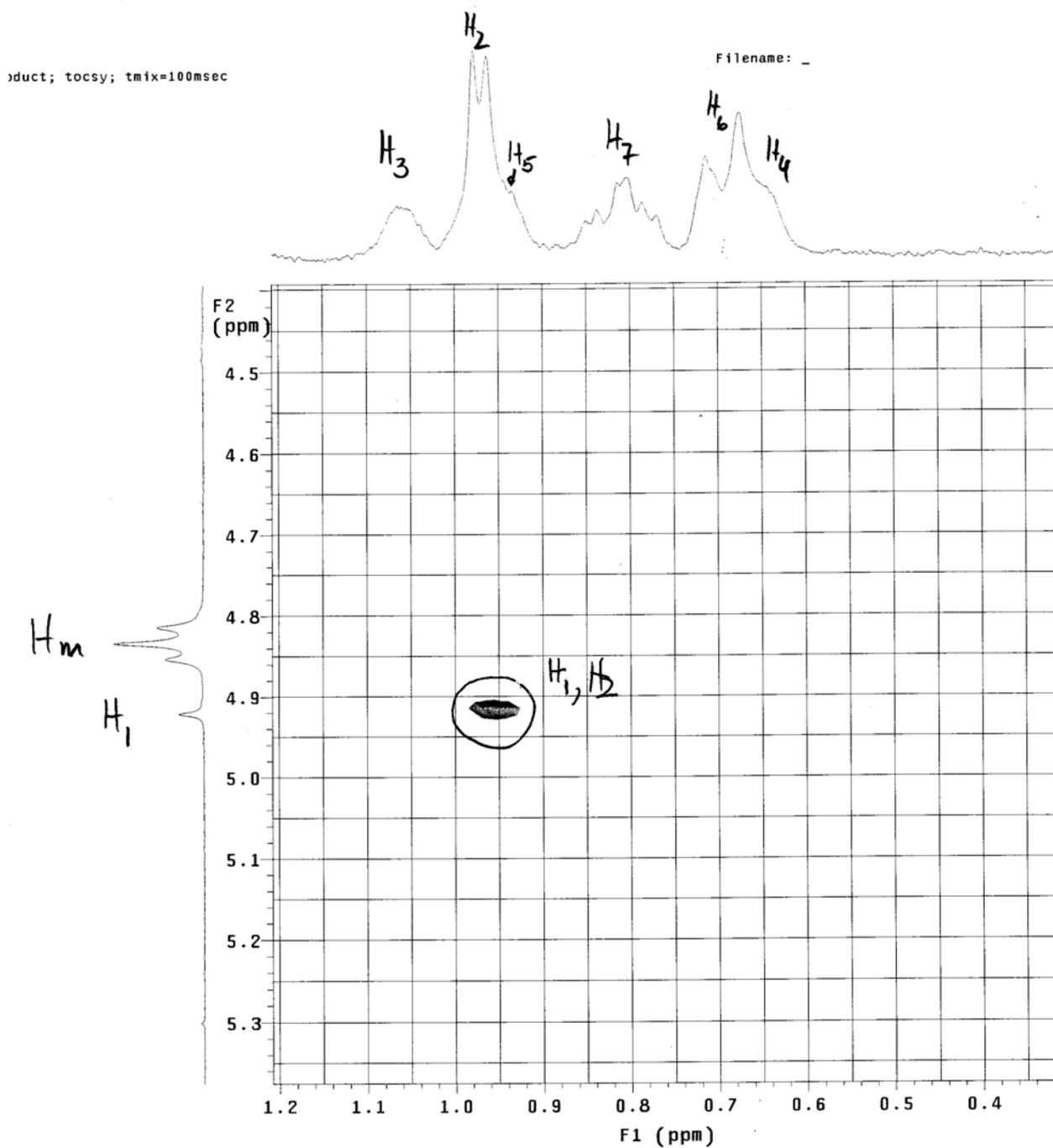


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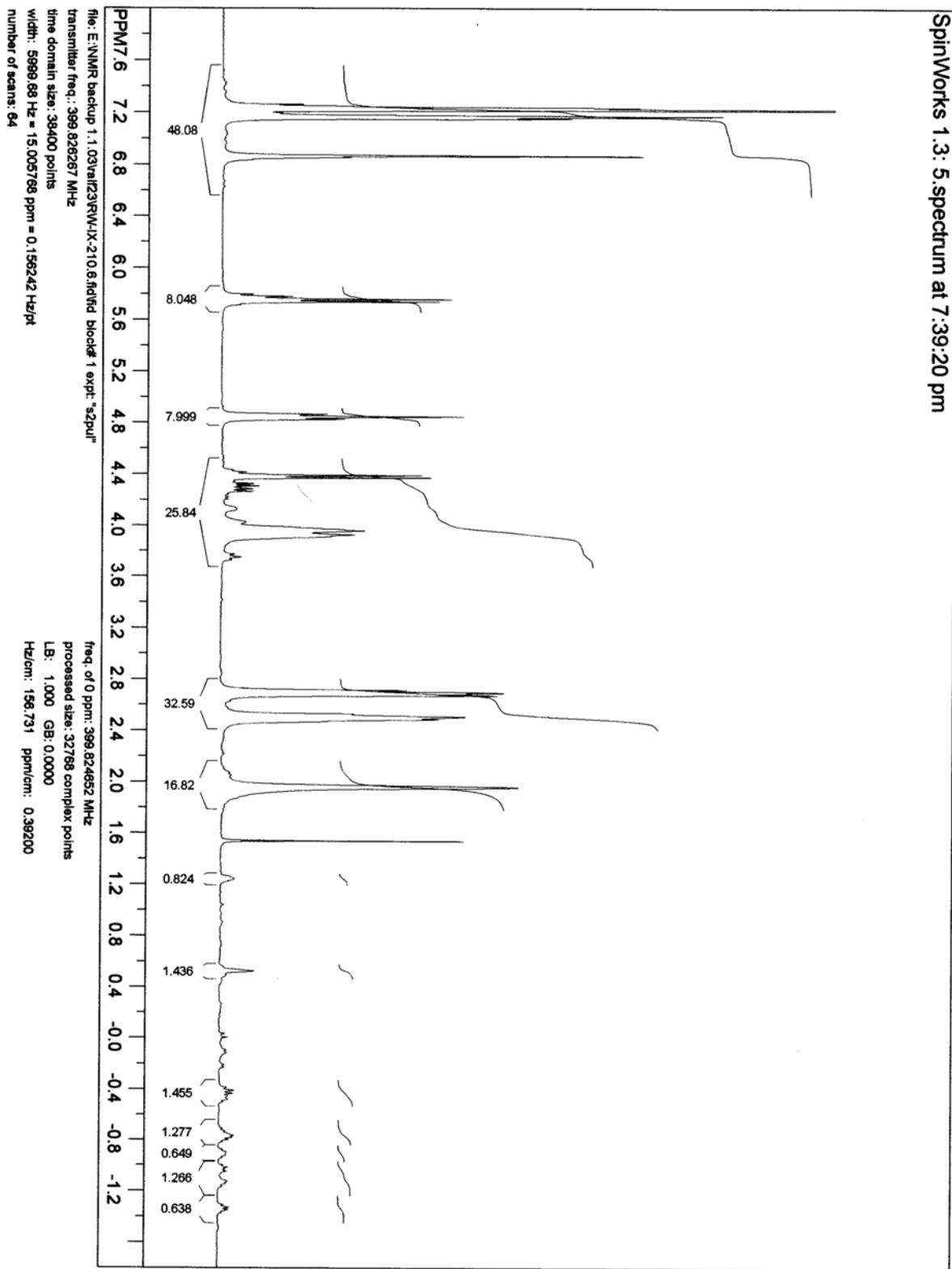
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3.10.1. Partial TOCSY (400 MHz; CDCl₃, 23 °C, $t_{\text{mix}} = 100$ msec) of 5⊙11.

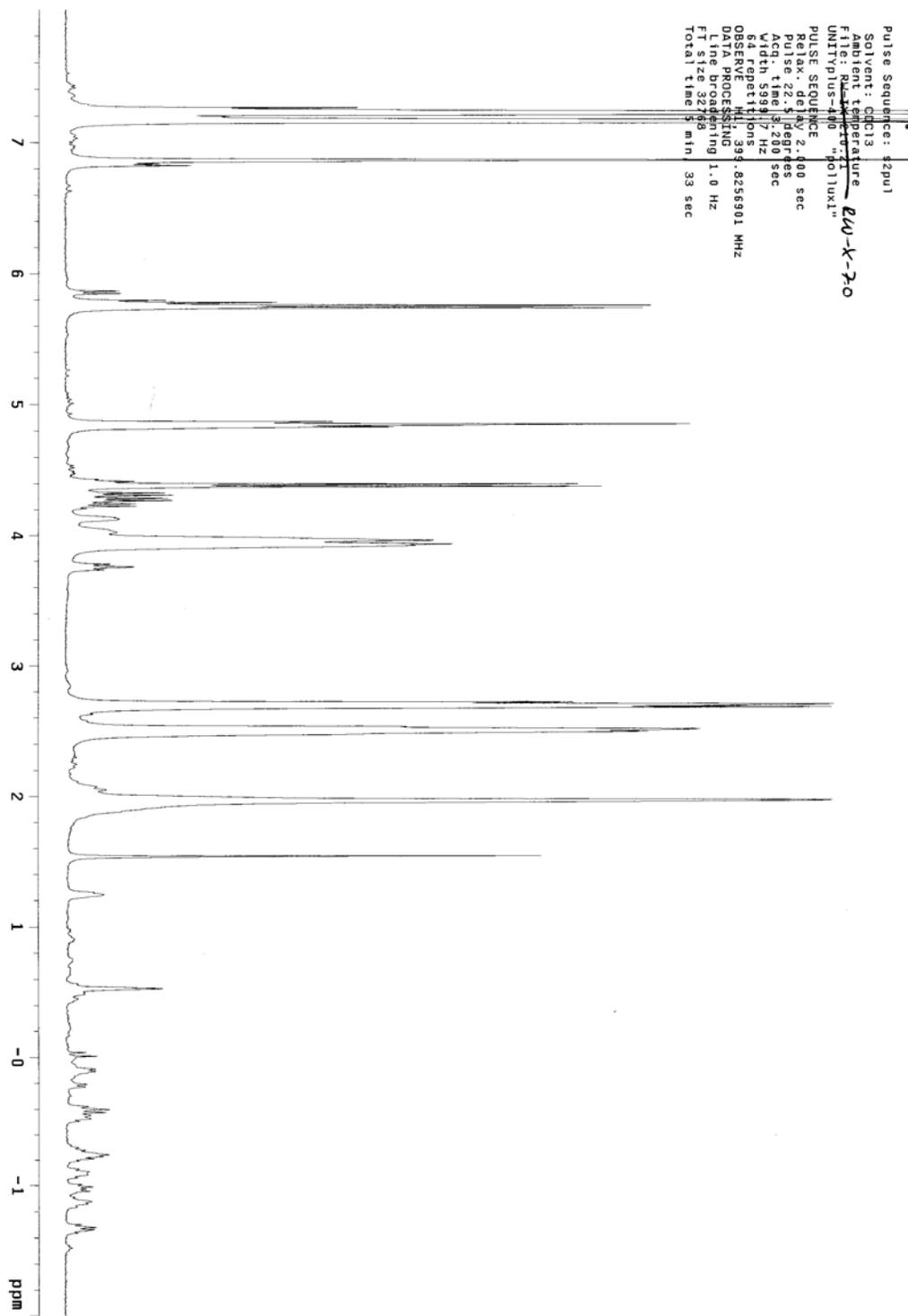


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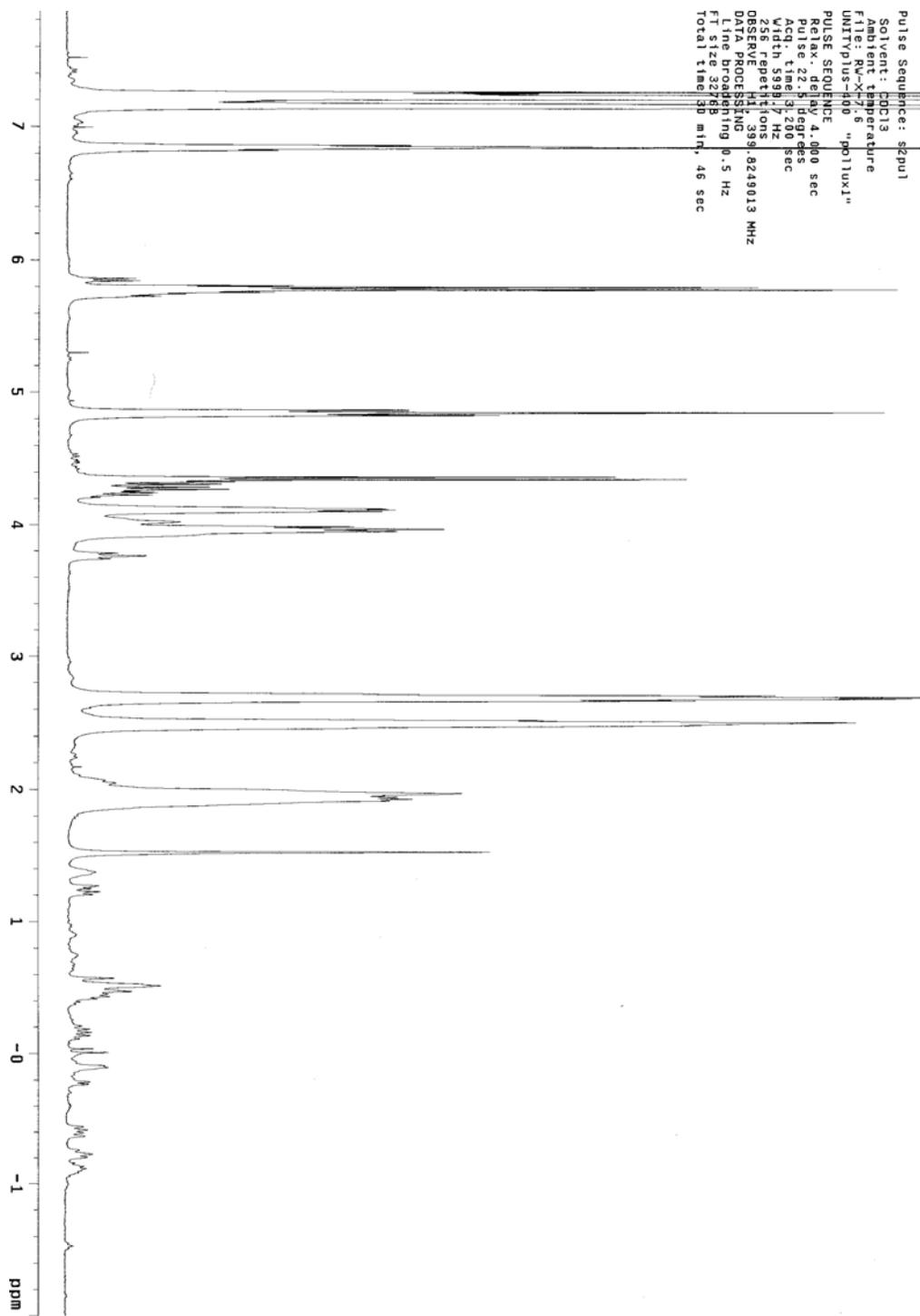
3.11. ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz; CDCl_3 , 23 °C) of a solution containing 64 % $5\text{O}(Z)\text{-2}$ (Full spectrum Figure 1b).



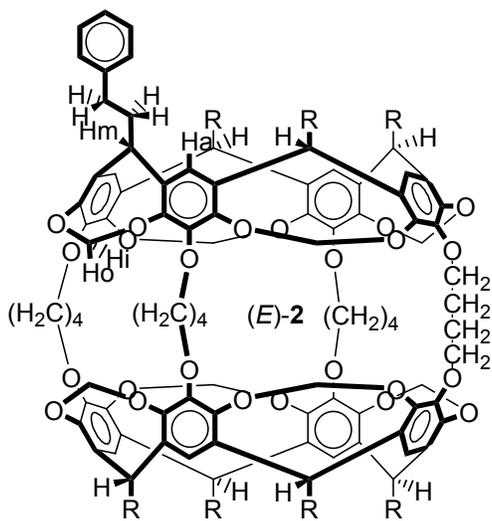
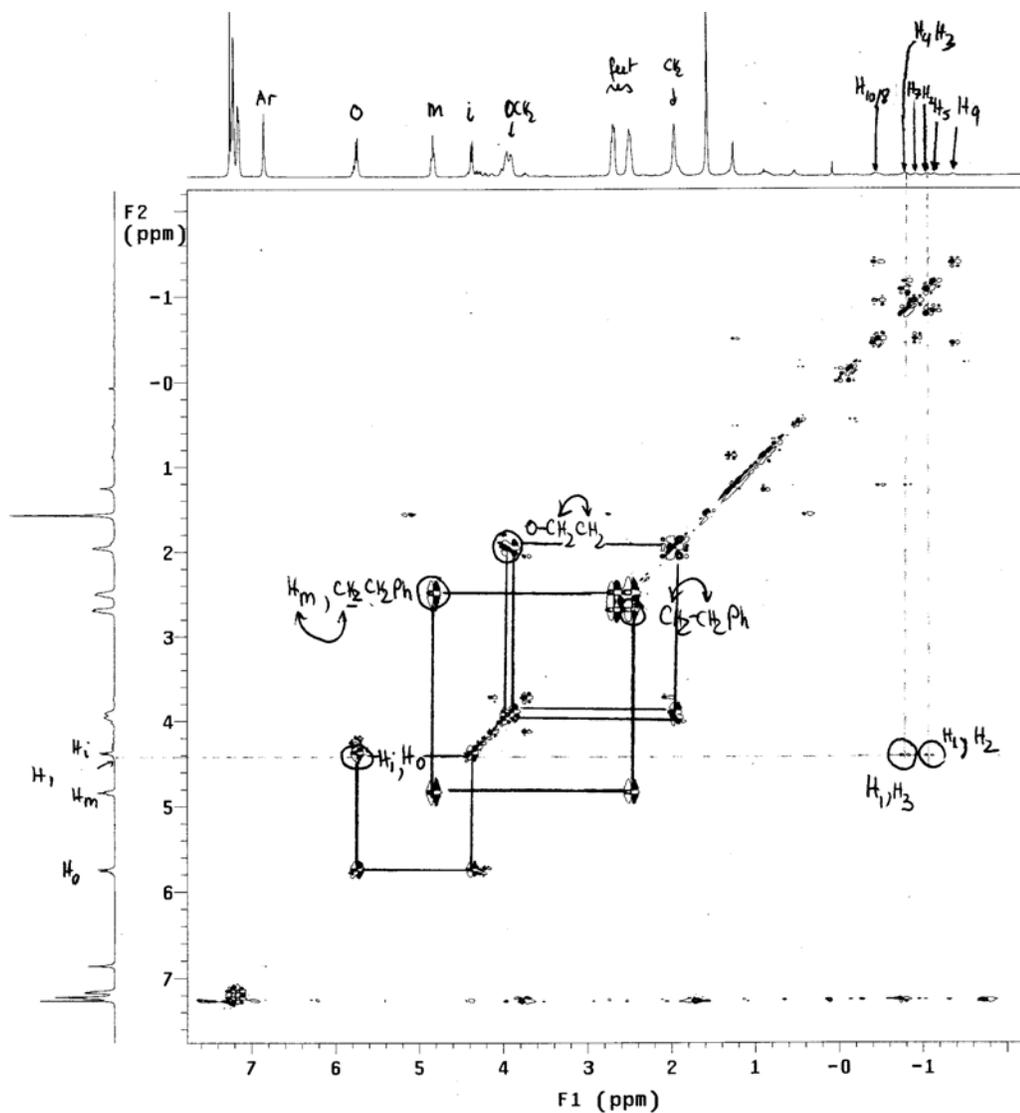
3.12. Full spectrum Figure 1c.



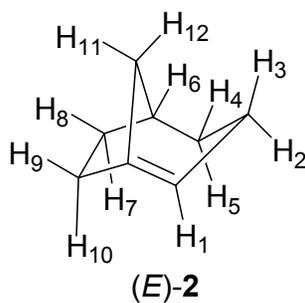
3.13. Full spectrum Figure 1d.



3.14.1. DQCOSY (400 MHz; CDCl₃, 15 °C) of a solution containing 64 % 5⊖(Z)-2.

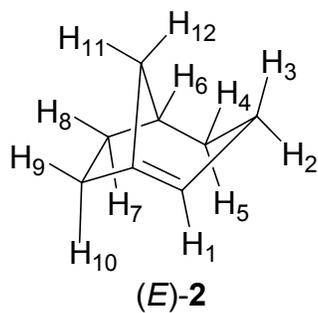
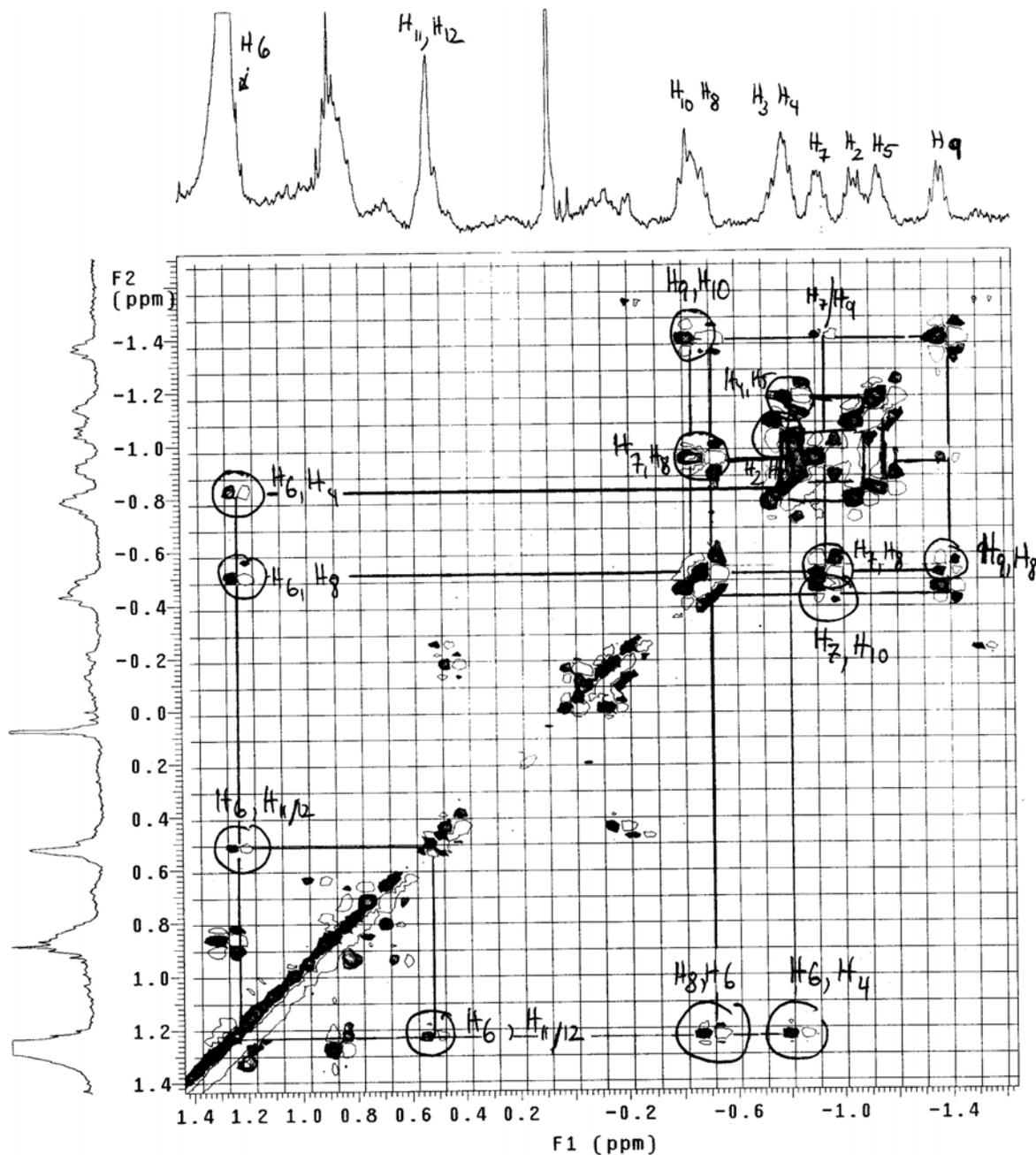


R = CH₂CH₂C₆H₅ 5⊖(E)-2

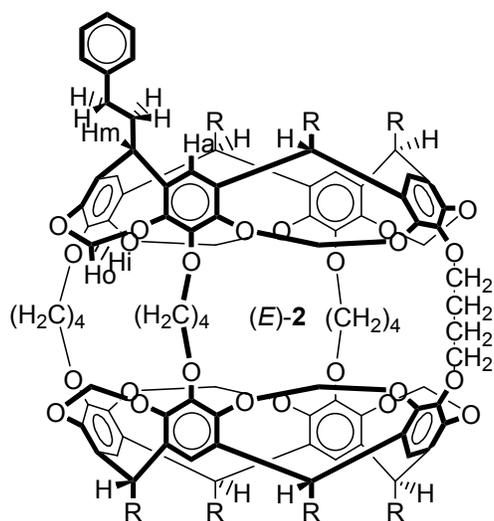
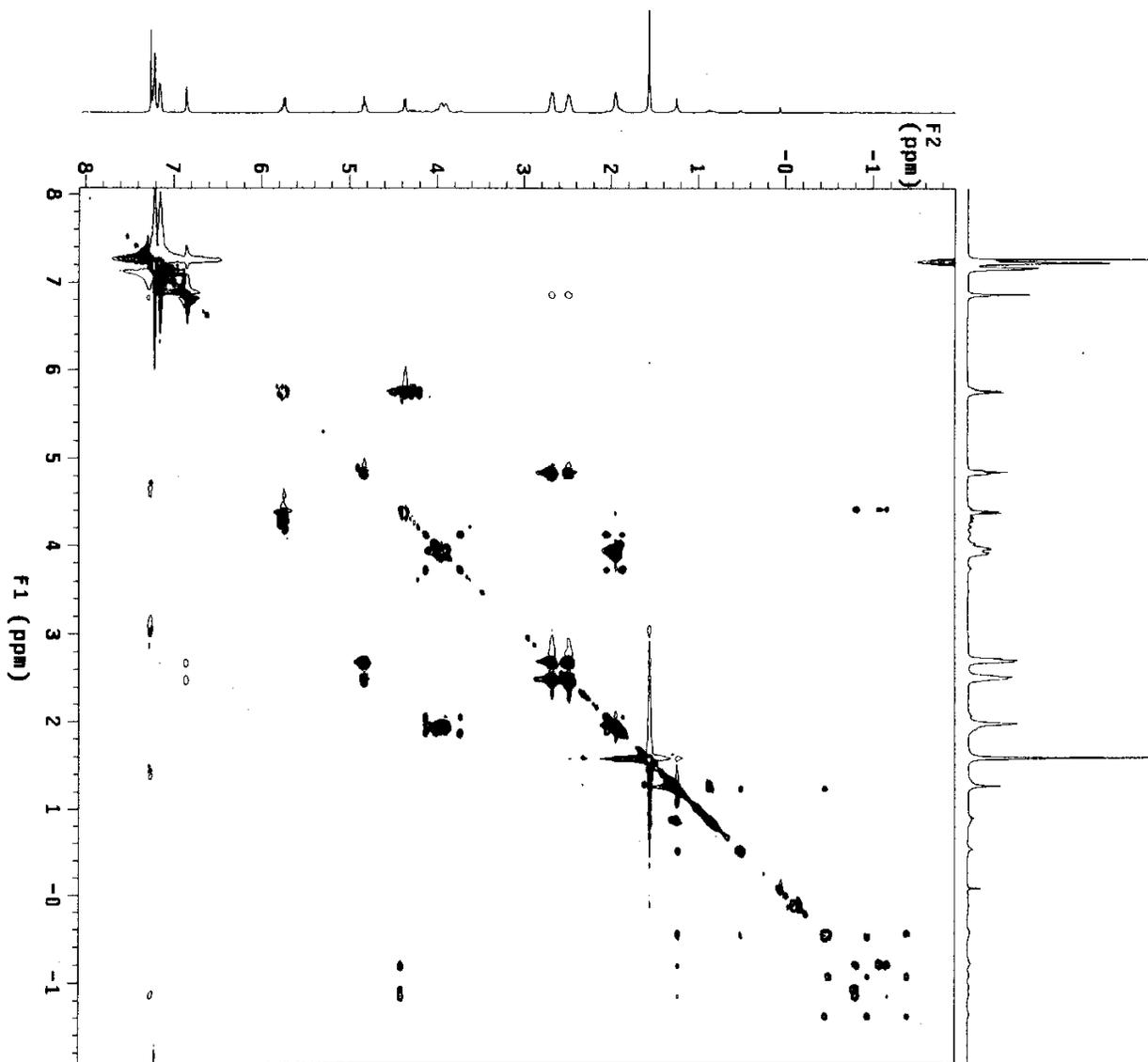


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| H1 = 4.41 ppm | H7 = -0.91 ppm |
| H2 = -1.03 ppm | H8 = -0.47 ppm |
| H3 = -0.74 ppm | H9 = -1.34 ppm |
| H4 = -0.79 ppm | H10 = -0.41 ppm |
| H5 = -1.14 ppm | H11 = 0.52 ppm |
| H6 = 1.24 ppm | H12 = 0.52 ppm |

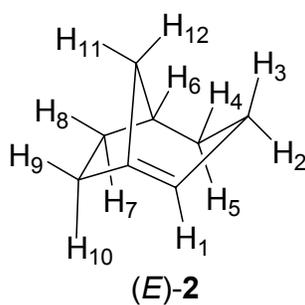
3.14.2. Partial DQCOSY (400 MHz; CDCl₃, 15 °C) of a solution containing 64 % 5⊖(Z)-2.



3.15.1. TOCSY (400 MHz; CDCl₃, 15 °C, $t_{\text{mix}} = 60$ msec) of a solution containing 64 % 5⊖(Z)-2.

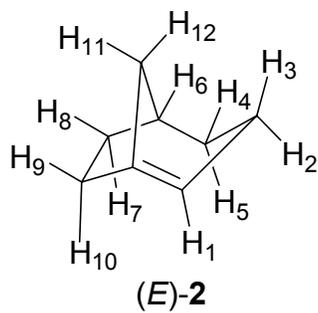
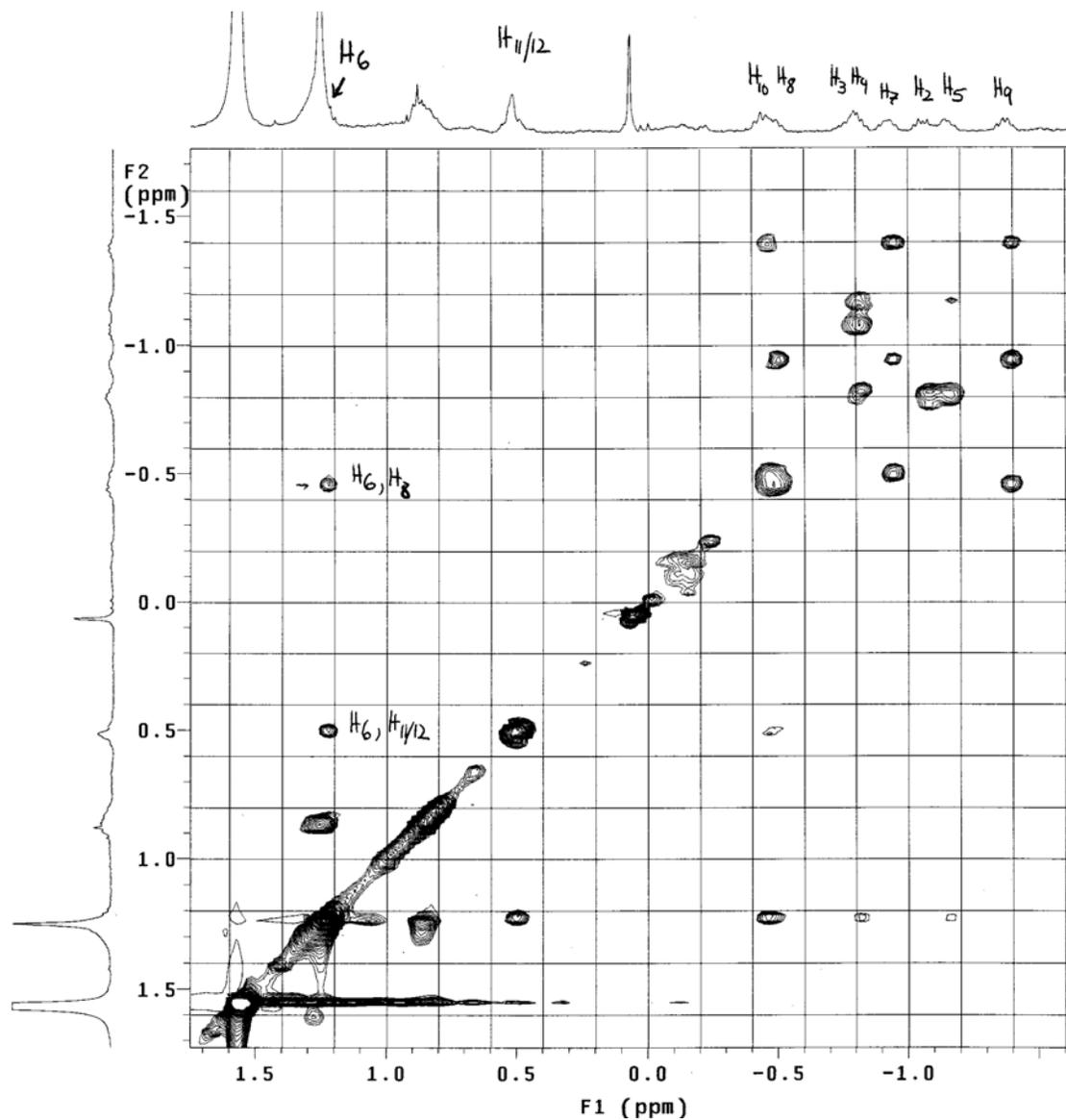


R = CH₂CH₂C₆H₅ 5⊖(E)-2

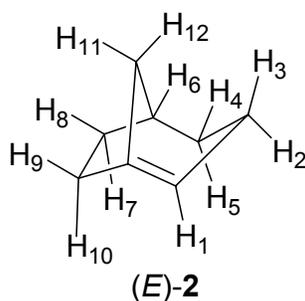
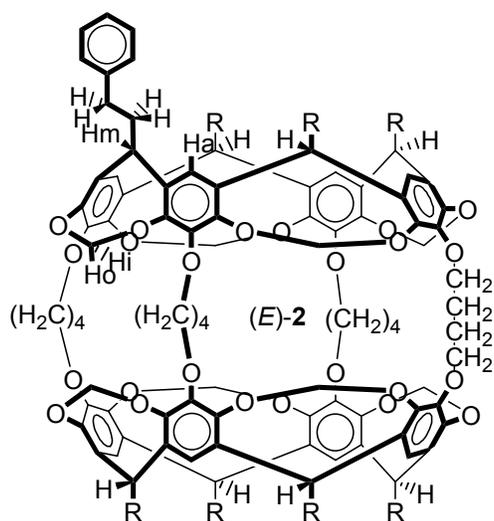
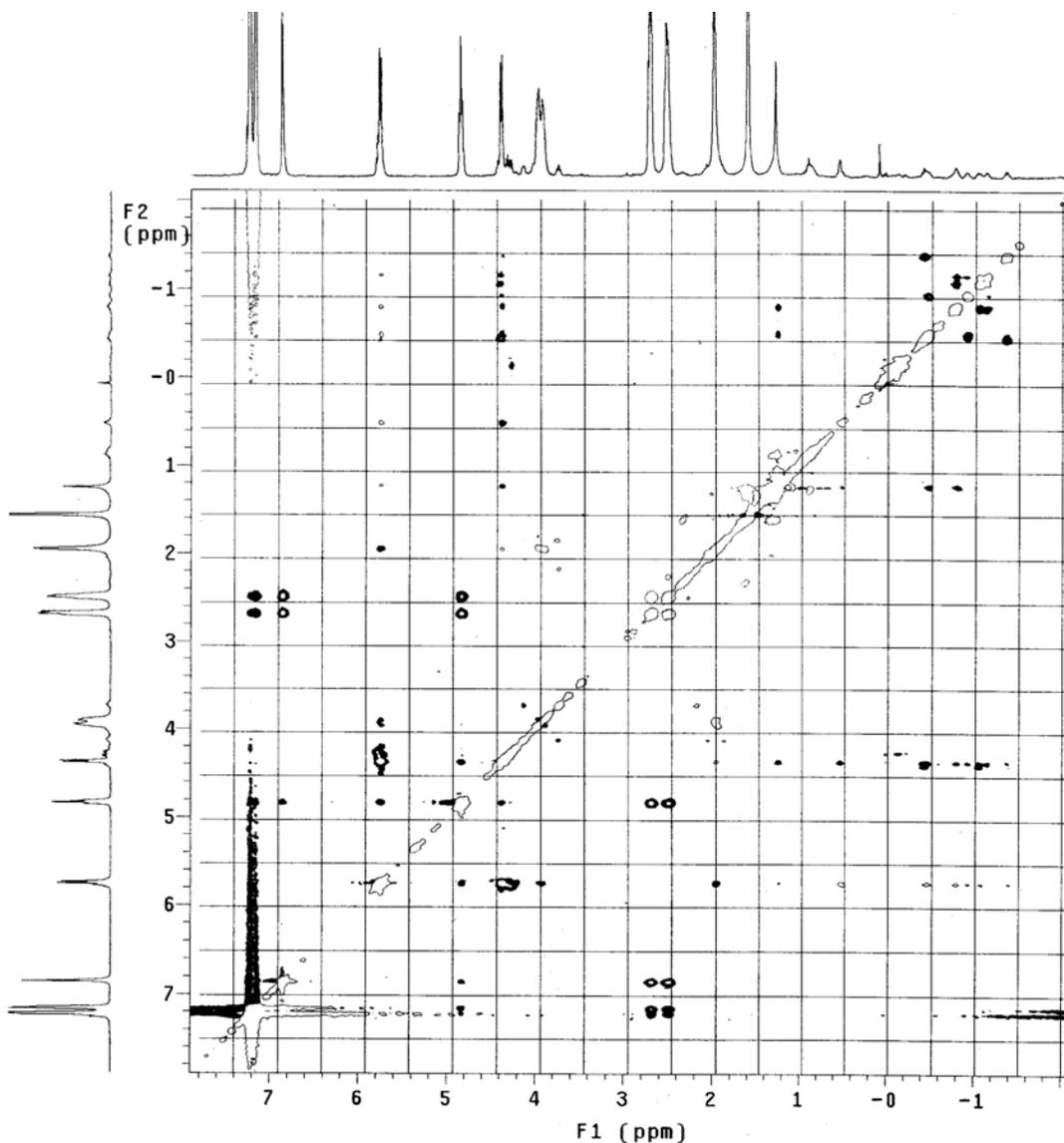


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| H3 = -0.74 ppm | H9 = -1.34 ppm |
| H4 = -0.79 ppm | H10 = -0.41 ppm |
| H5 = -1.14 ppm | H11 = 0.52 ppm |
| H6 = 1.24 ppm | H12 = 0.52 ppm |

3.15.2. Partial TOCSY (400MHz; CDCl₃, 15°C, $t_{\text{mix}} = 60$ msec) of a solution containing 64% 5 \odot (Z)-2.

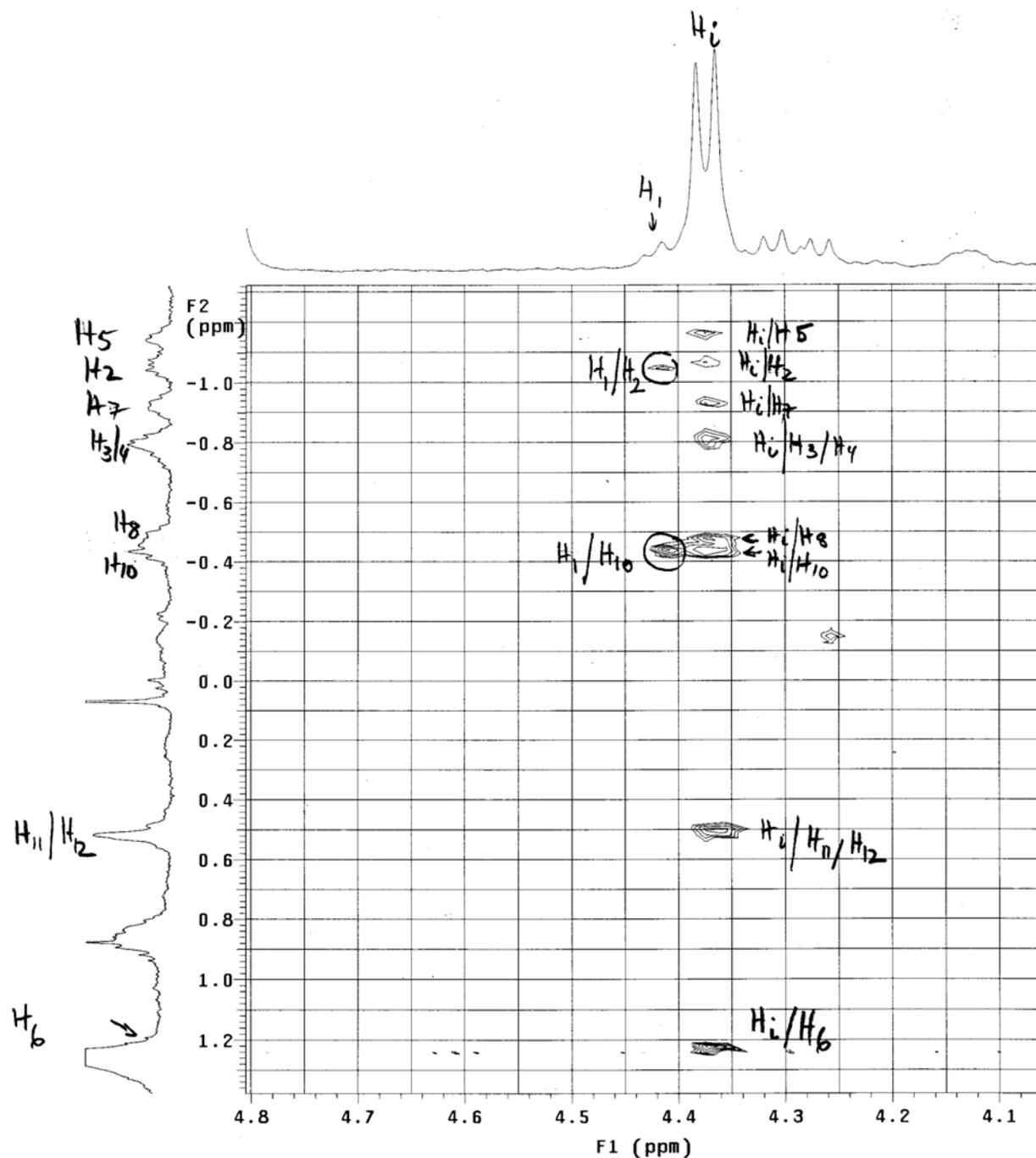


3.16.1. ROESY (400 MHz; CDCl₃, 15 °C, $t_{\text{mix}} = 600$ msec) of a solution containing 64 % 5⊖(Z)-2.

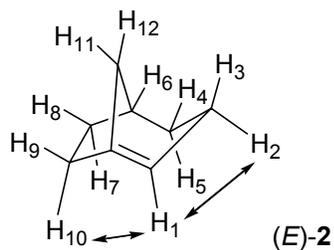


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| H1 = 4.41 ppm | H7 = -0.91 ppm |
| H2 = -1.03 ppm | H8 = -0.47 ppm |
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| H6 = 1.24 ppm | H12 = 0.52 ppm |

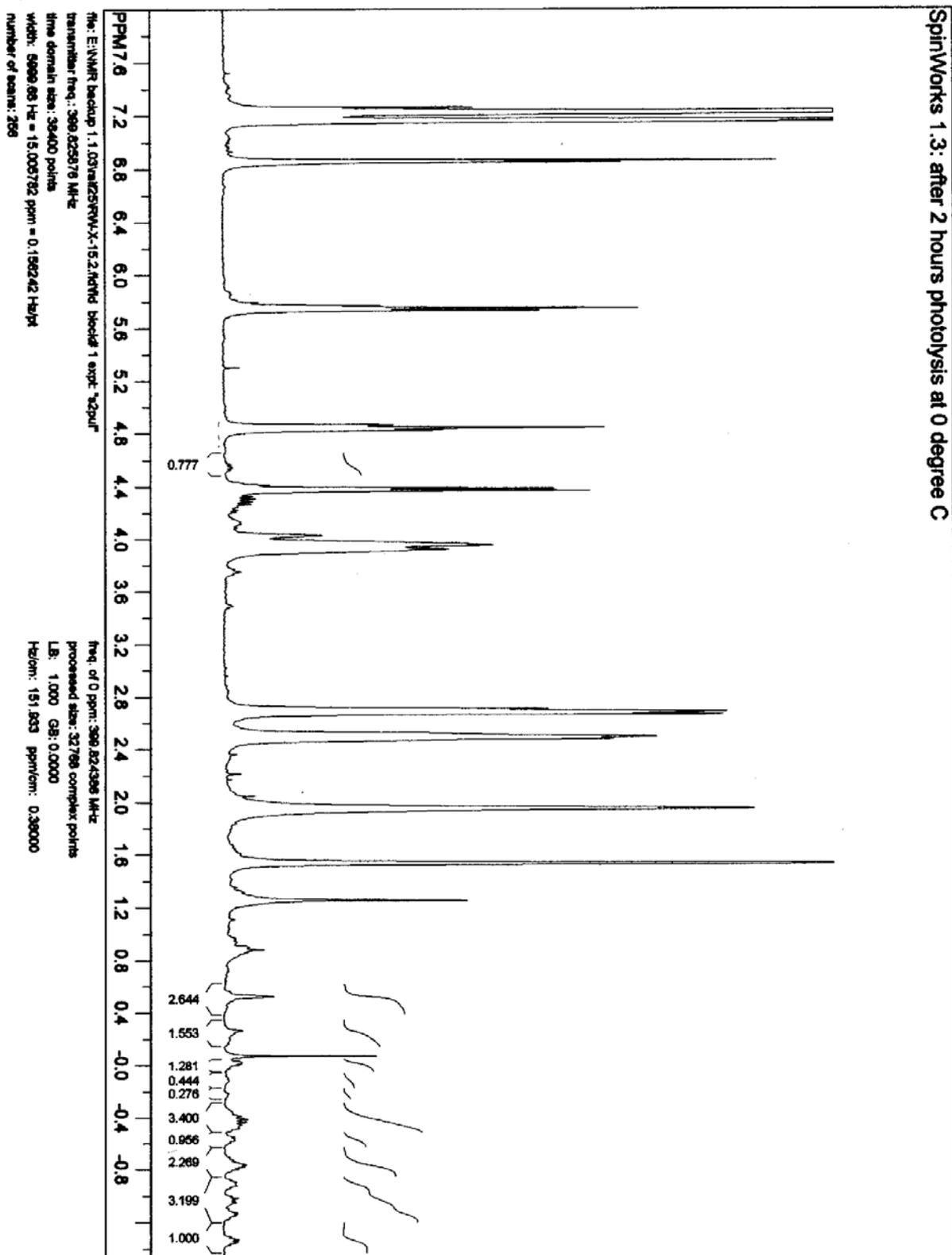
3.16.2. Partial ROESY (400 MHz; CDCl₃, 15 °C, $t_{\text{mix}} = 600$ msec) of a solution containing 64 % 5⊙(Z)-2.



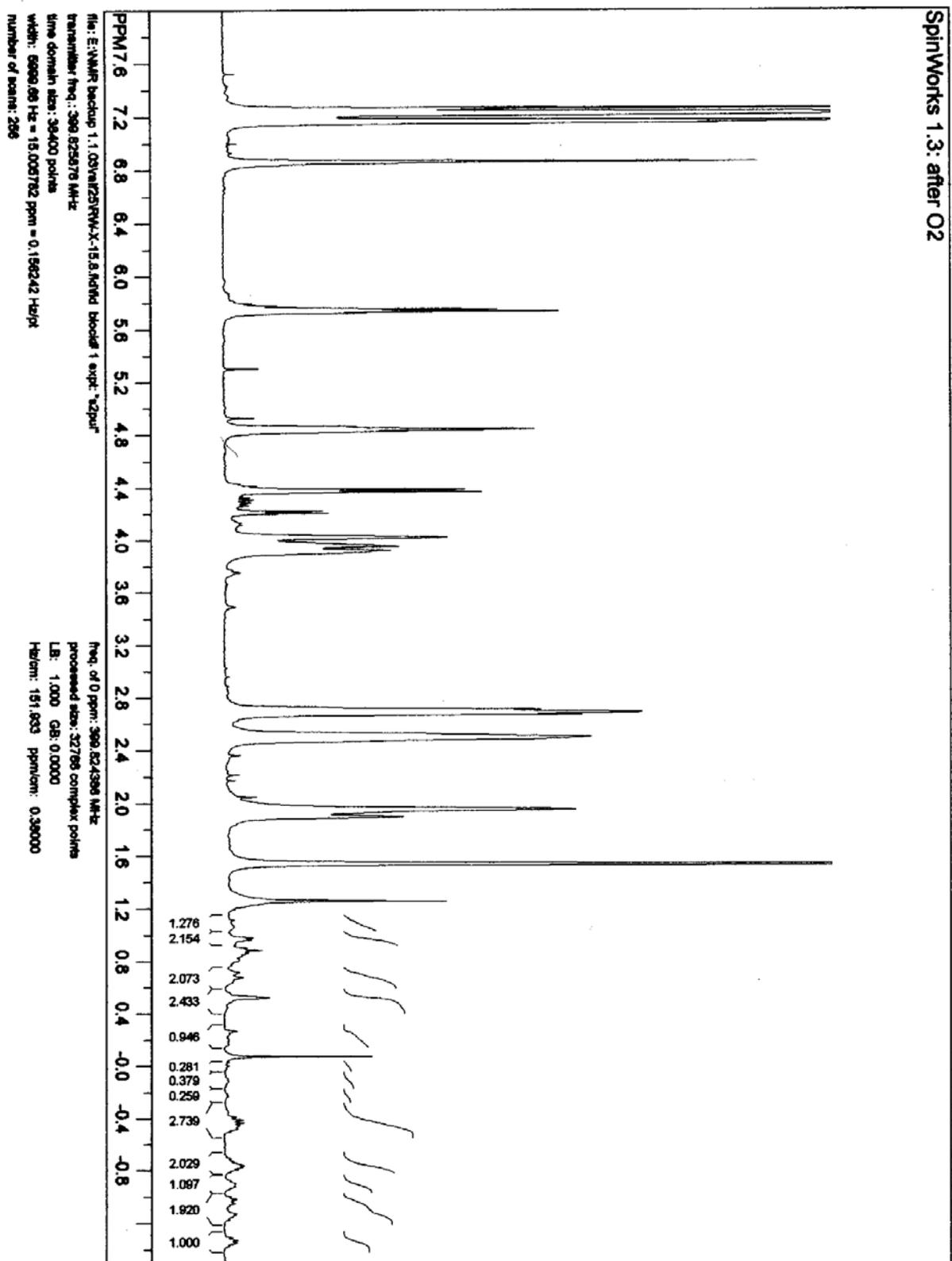
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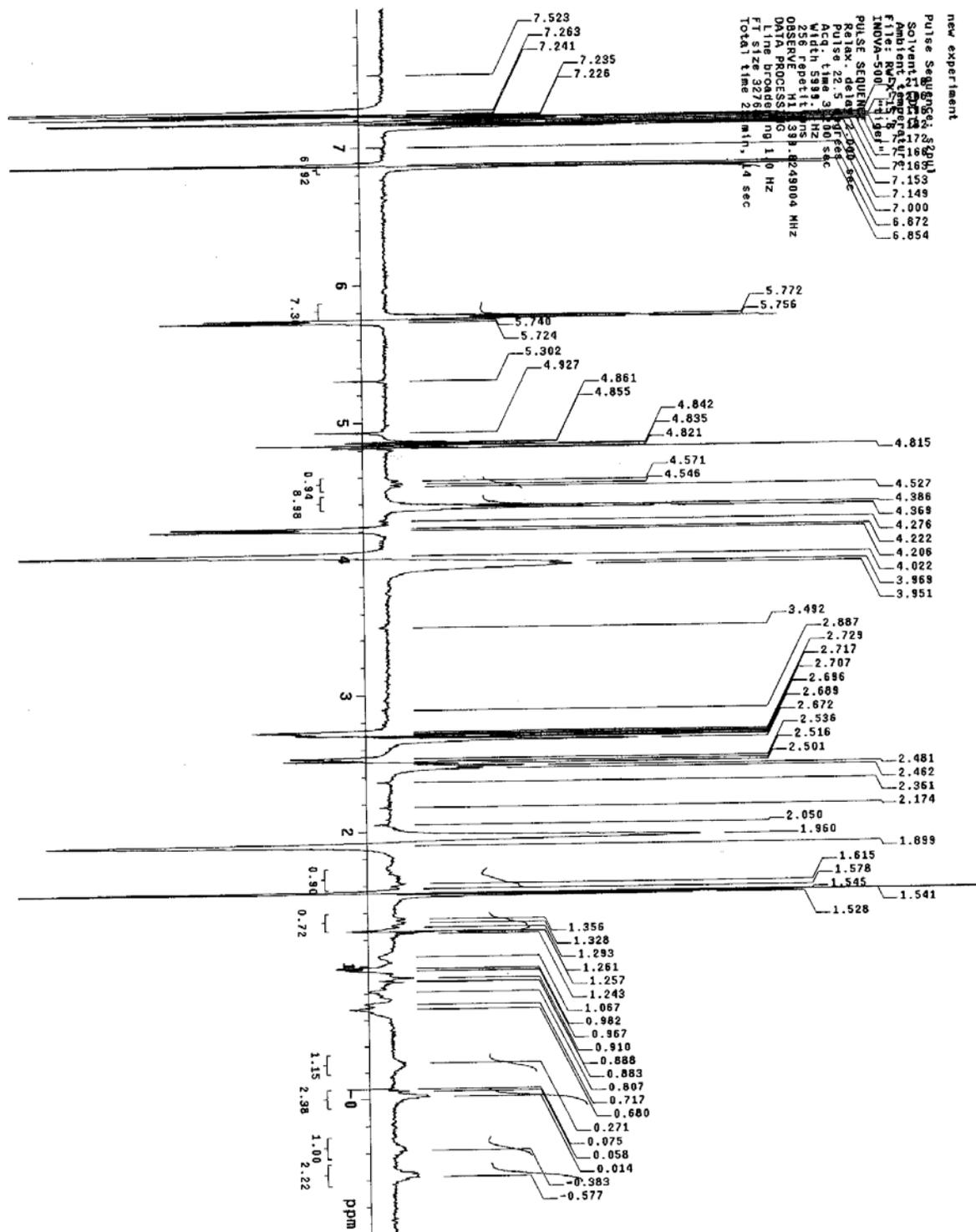
3.17. ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz; CDCl_3 , 23 °C) of a solution containing **5**⊙**1** (23 %), **5**⊙(Z)-**2** (54 %), and **5**⊙**10** (15 %) (Full spectrum Figure 1a).



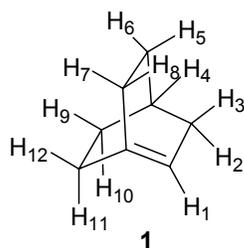
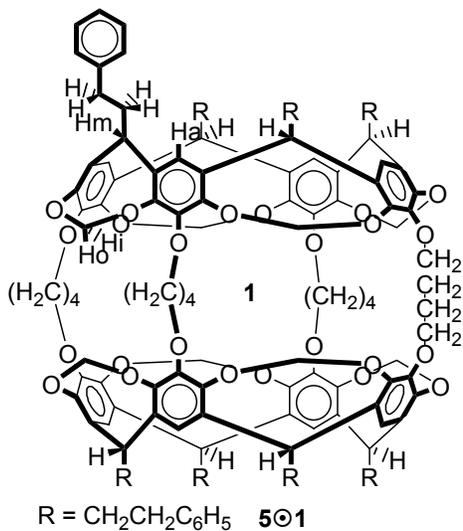
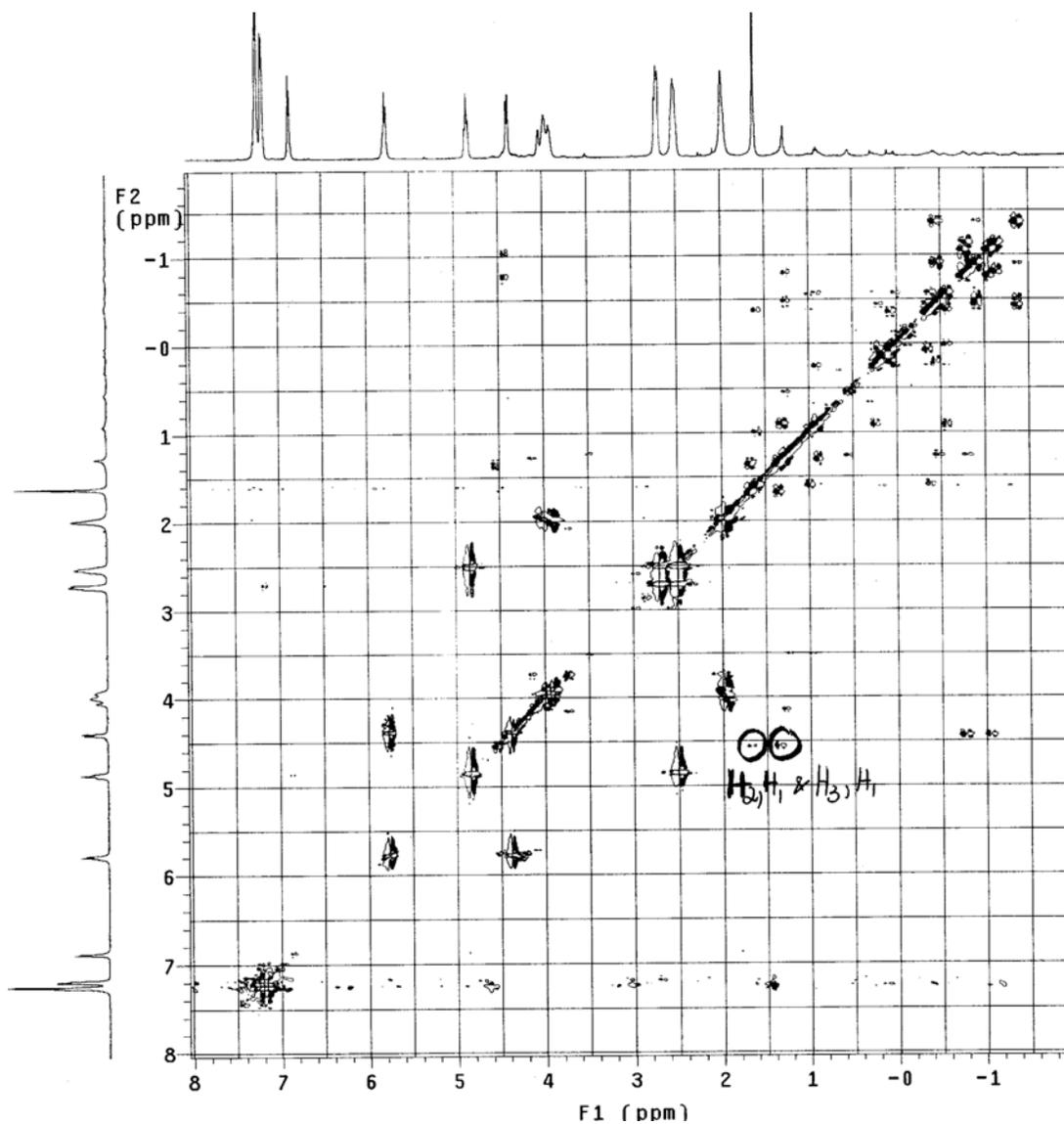
3.18. Full spectrum Figure 1b.



3.19. Difference spectrum between spectra 3.17. and 3.18. (Full spectrum Figure 1c). Signals pointing up or down are assigned to hemicarceplexes $5\odot 1$ or $5\odot 11$, respectively.

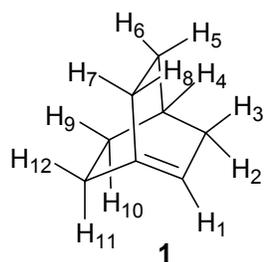
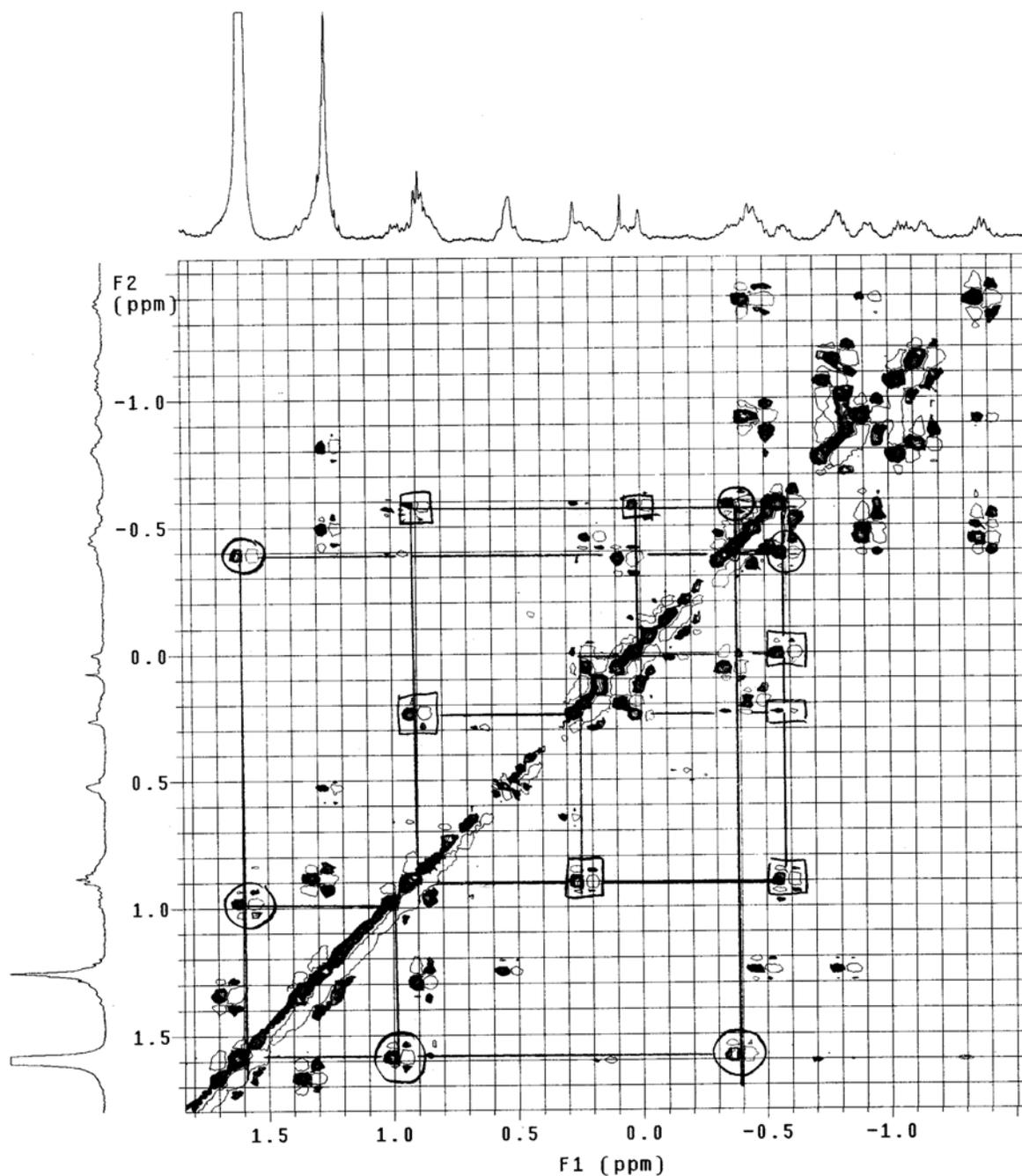


3.20.1. DQCOZY (400 MHz; CDCl₃, 12 °C) of a solution containing **5**⊙**1** (23 %), **5**⊙(Z)-**2** (54 %), and **5**⊙**10** (15 %).



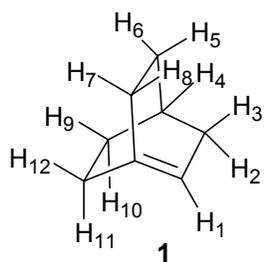
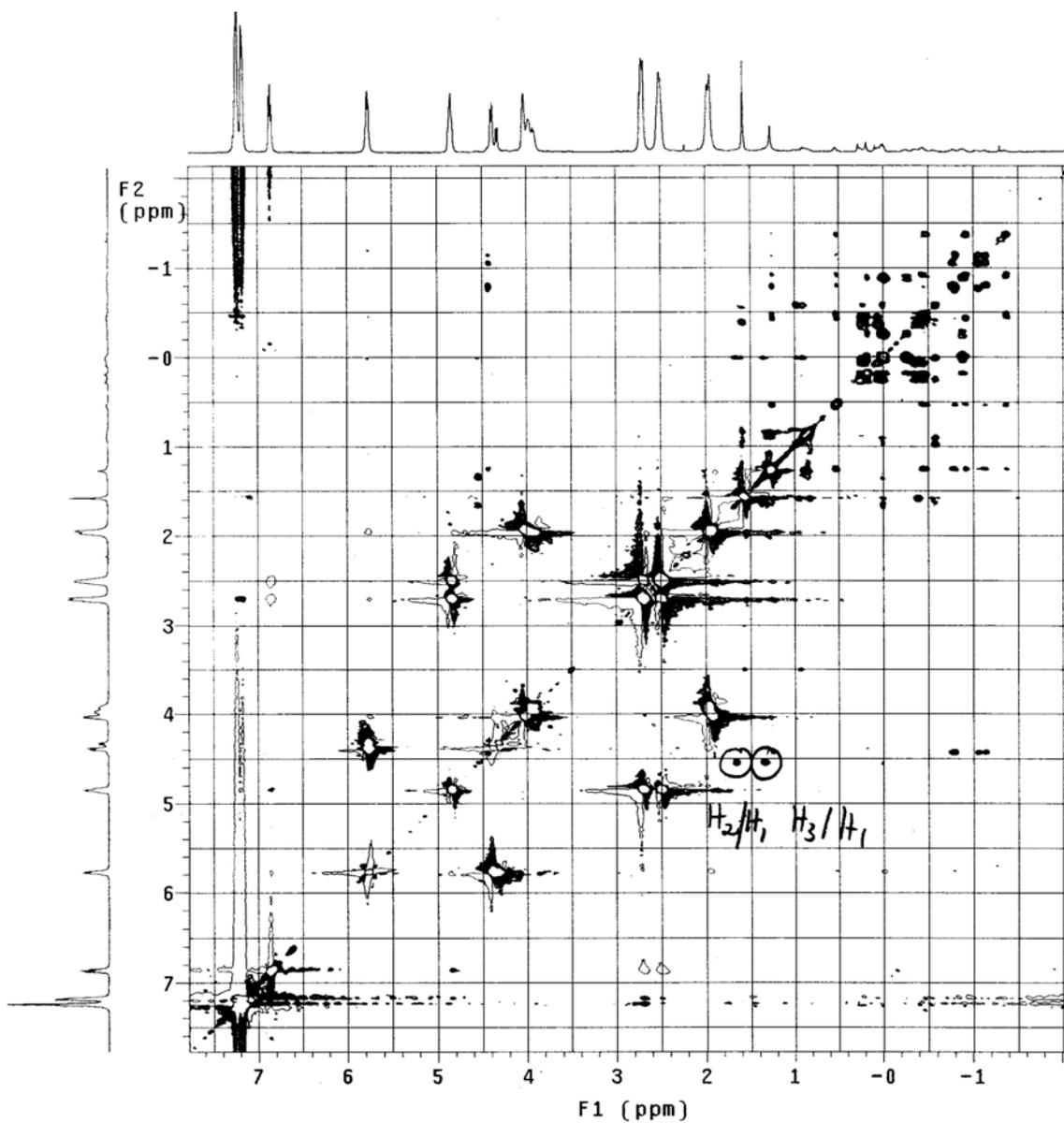
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 H2, H3 = 1.33, 1.65 ppm
 H4 = 0.01 ppm
 H5, H6, H9, H10 = 1.58, 0.97, 0.01, -0.57 ppm
 H7, H8, H11, H12 = 0.27, 0.91, -0.38, -0.59 ppm

3.20.2. Partial DQCOSY (400 MHz; CDCl₃, 12 °C) of a solution containing **5**⊙**1** (23 %), **5**⊙(*Z*)-**2** (54 %), and **5**⊙**10** (15 %).



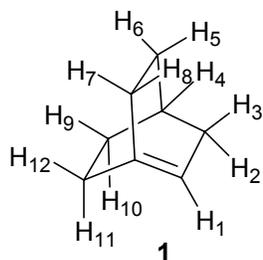
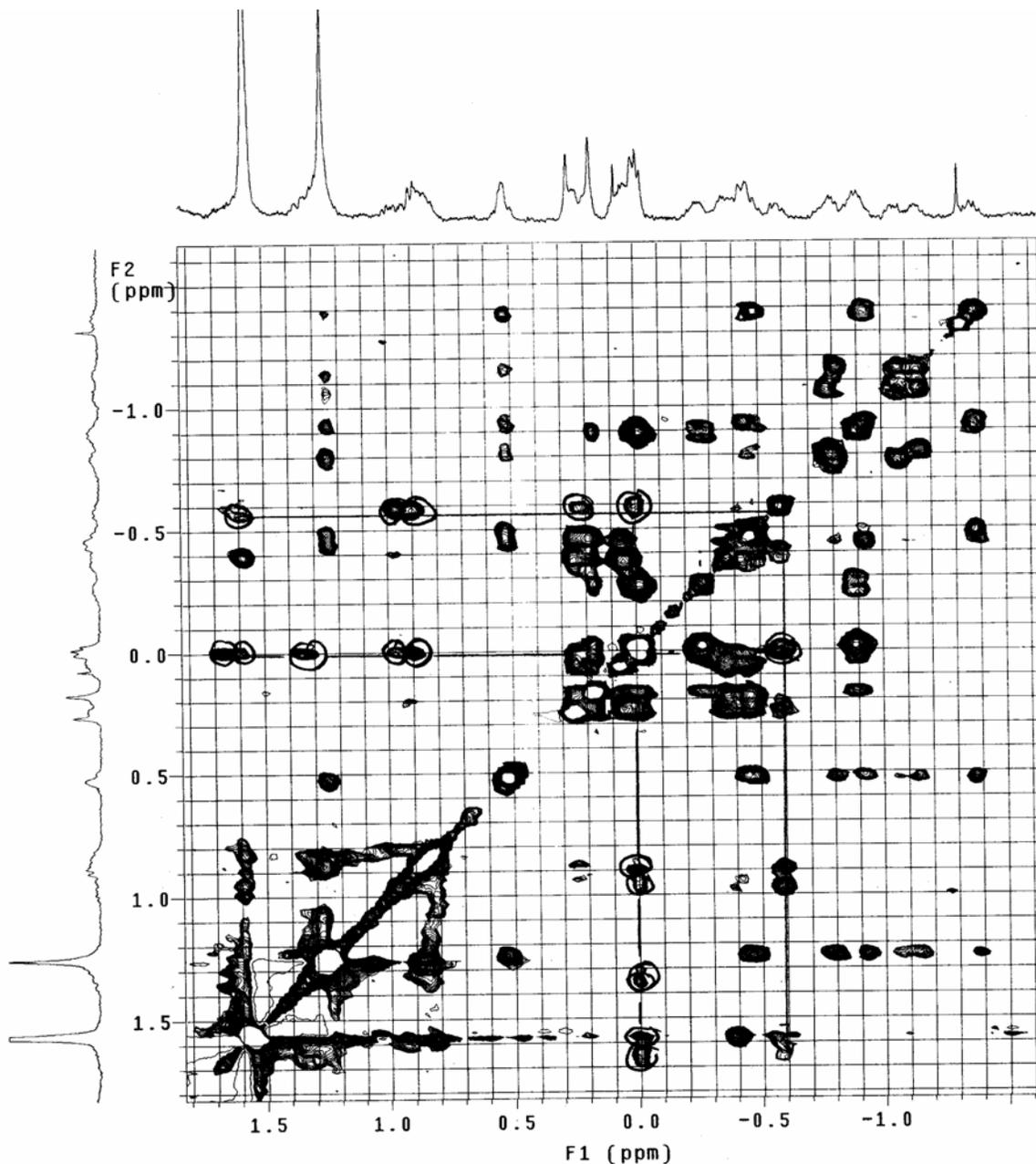
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 H7, H8, H11, H12 = 0.27, 0.91, -0.38, -0.59 ppm

3.21.1. TOCSY (400 MHz; CDCl₃, 15 °C, *t*_{mix} = 100 msec) of a solution containing 5⊙1 (18 %), 5⊙(Z)-2 (29 %), 5⊙10 (23 %) and 5⊙10 (23 %).



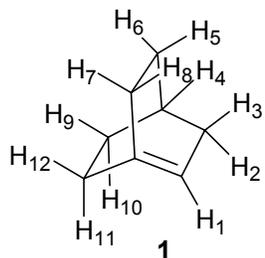
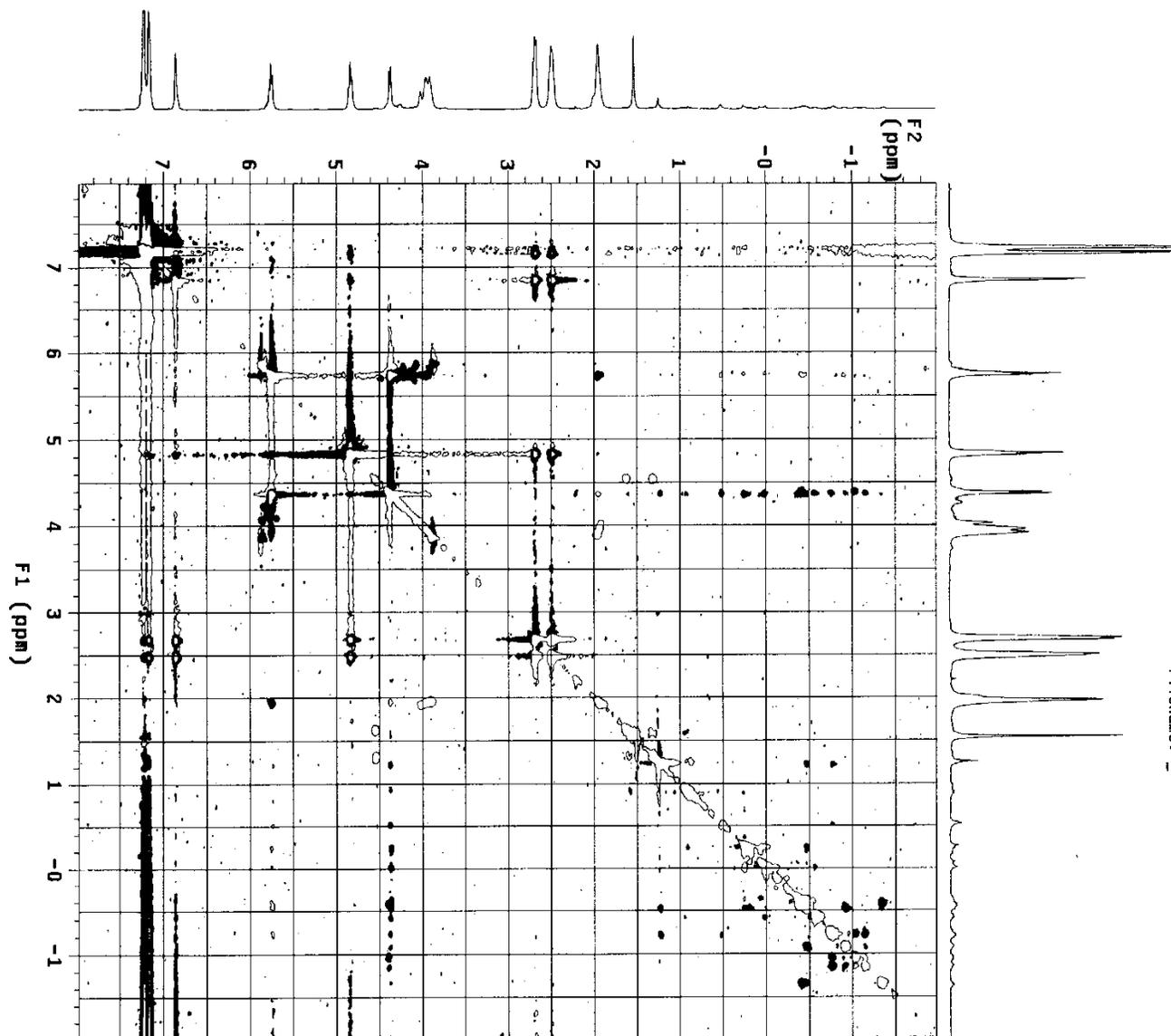
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 H2, H3 = 1.33, 1.65 ppm
 H4 = 0.01 ppm
 H5, H6, H9, H10 = 1.58, 0.97, 0.01, -0.57 ppm
 H7, H8, H11, H12 = 0.27, 0.91, -0.38, -0.59 ppm

3.21.2. Partial TOCSY (400 MHz; CDCl₃, 15 °C, $t_{\text{mix}} = 100$ msec) of a solution containing **5**⊙**1** (18 %), **5**⊙(Z)-**2** (29 %), **5**⊙**10** (23 %) and **5**⊙**10** (23 %).



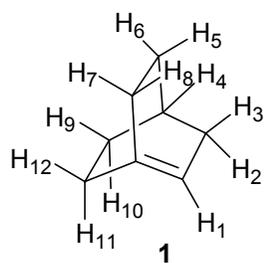
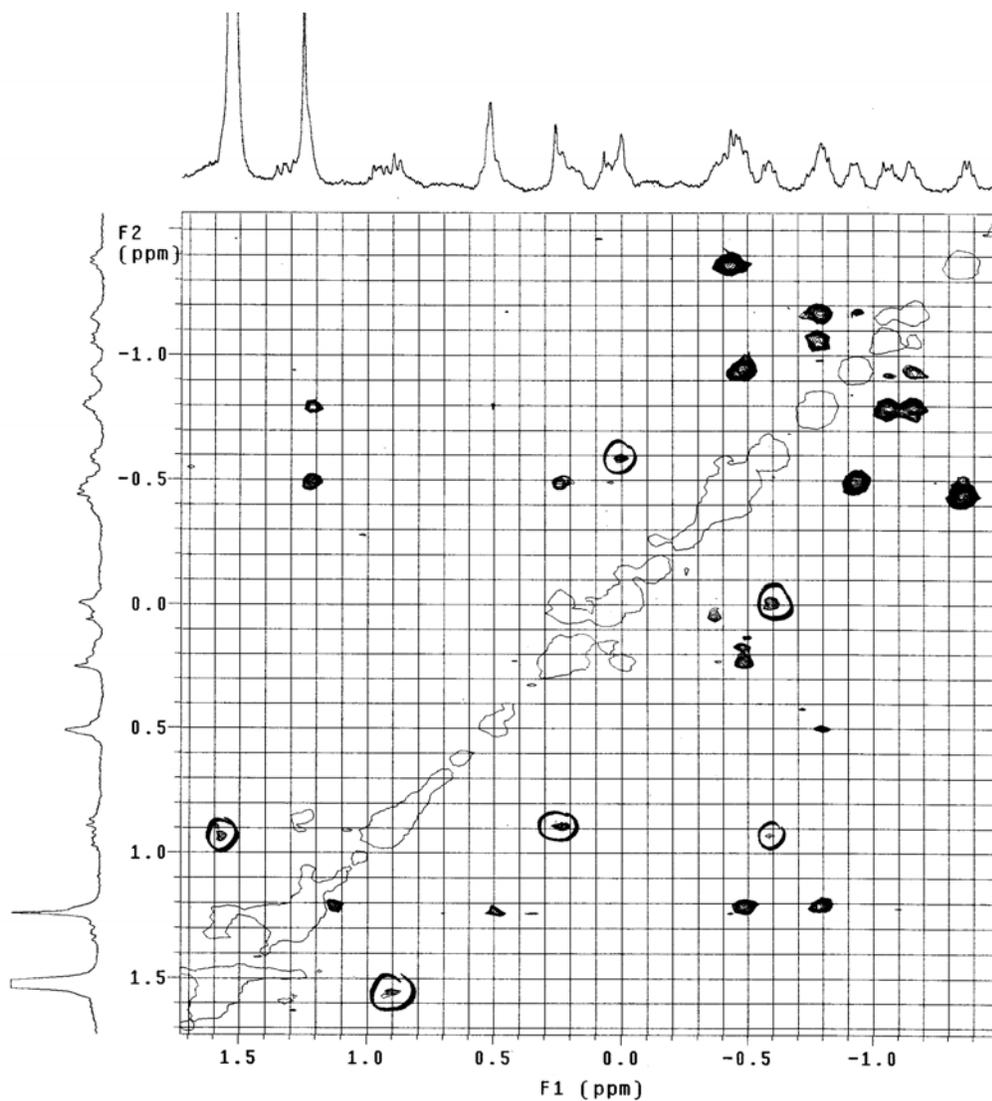
H1 = 4.55 ppm
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 H4 = 0.01 ppm
 H5, H6, H9, H10 = 1.58, 0.97, 0.01, -0.57 ppm
 H7, H8, H11, H12 = 0.27, 0.91, -0.38, -0.59 ppm

3.22.1. ROESY (400 MHz; CDCl₃, 12 °C, $t_{\text{mix}} = 600$ msec) of a solution containing **5**⊙**1** (23 %), **5**⊙(Z)-**2** (54 %), and **5**⊙**10** (15 %).



H1 = 4.55 ppm
H2, H3 = 1.33, 1.65 ppm
H4 = 0.01 ppm
H5, H6, H9, H10 = 1.58, 0.97, 0.01, -0.57 ppm
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3.22.2. Partial ROESY (400 MHz; CDCl₃, 12 °C, $t_{\text{mix}} = 600$ msec) of a solution containing **5**⊙**1** (23 %), **5**⊙(Z)-**2** (54 %), and **5**⊙**10** (15 %).



H1 = 4.55 ppm
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