

Midterm Exam 2

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This exam contains two problems, which are split into parts. Many of these parts can be answered independently. *Do not get stuck* on one part and then assume that you will be unable to answer the rest of the question—move on. In addition, partial credit will be given for incorrect but still plausible answers, so *guess* on problems you cannot answer perfectly.

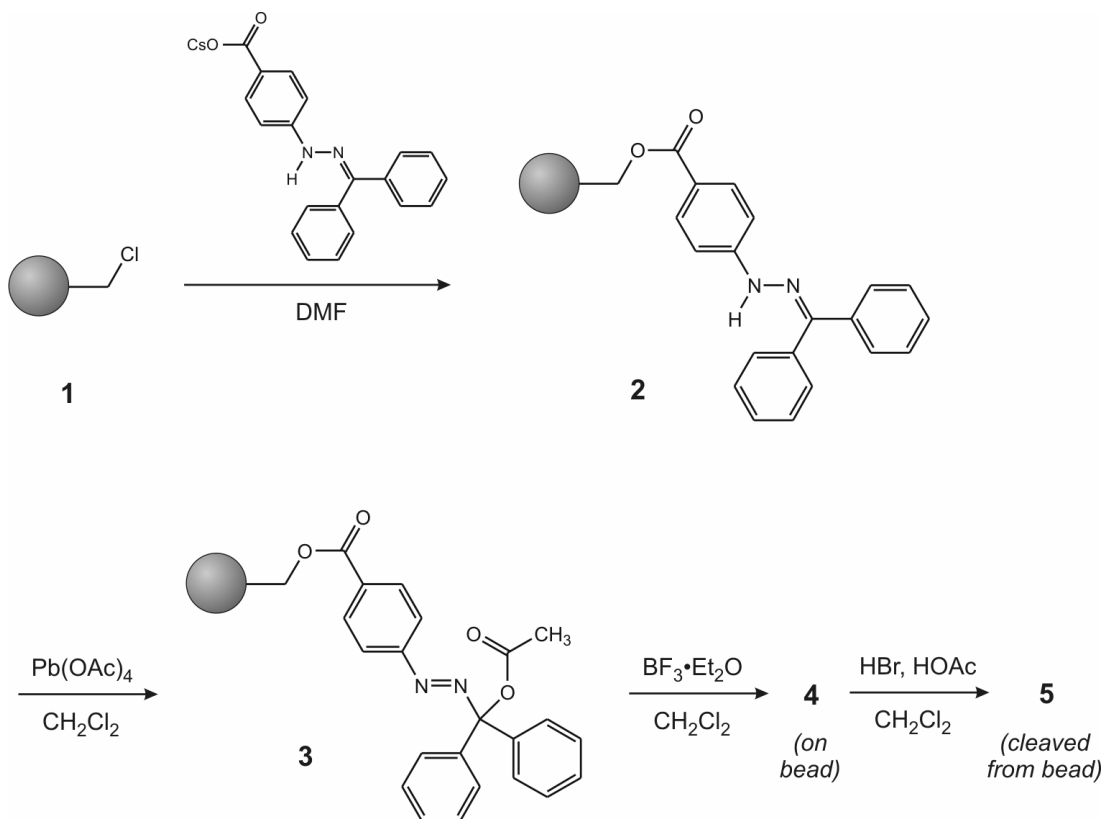
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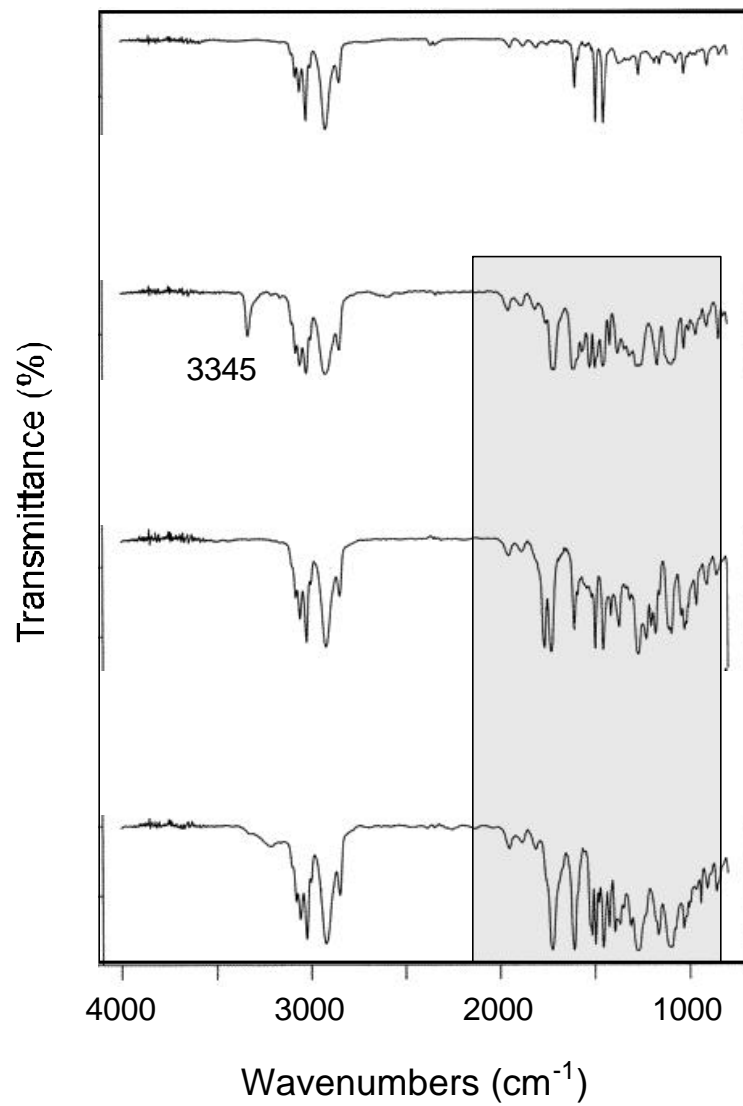
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1. One important recent development in IR spectroscopy of organic molecules has been on-bead, IR microspectroscopic characterization of combinatorial libraries. Bing Yan and coworkers at Novartis Pharmaceuticals reported the synthesis of a complex aromatic product **5** via surface reactions on chlorinated polystyrene (Merrifield) resin (**1**). Monitoring each step by IR spectroscopy meant that the product did not have to be cleaved from the resin for analysis until the very end of the synthesis.



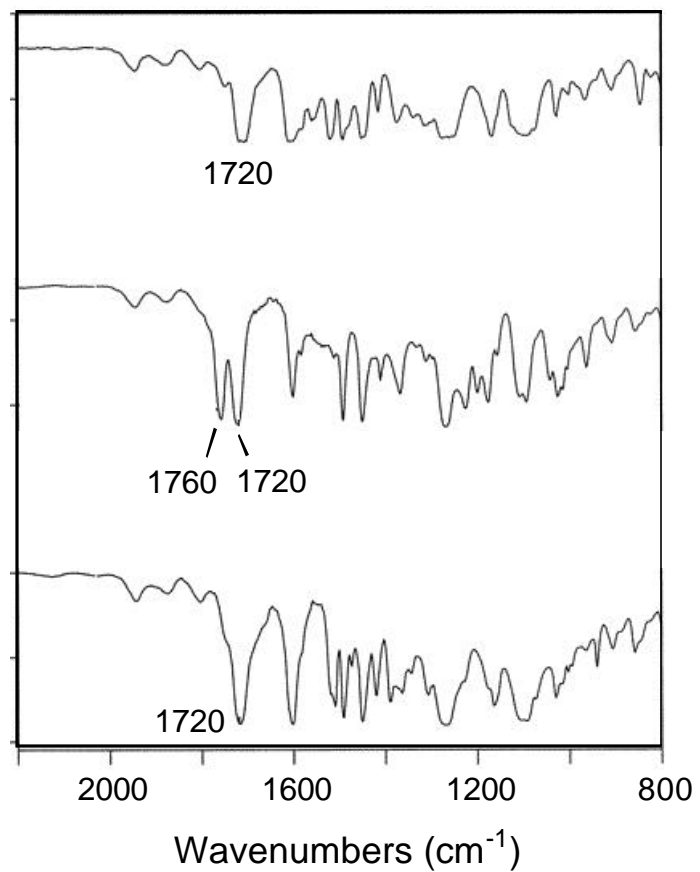
All steps between **1** and **4** were monitored by IR microspectroscopy, and the IR spectra obtained are shown on the next page. (Important peaks have been labeled.) Cleavage of the ester connection to the bead generated the product **5**, for which there was too little material to analyze by NMR. However, positive-ion-mode electrospray mass spectrometry (ESI-MS) gave the exact mass and isotopic pattern shown on page 4. Three candidate structures for **4** and **5** are also shown on page 4.



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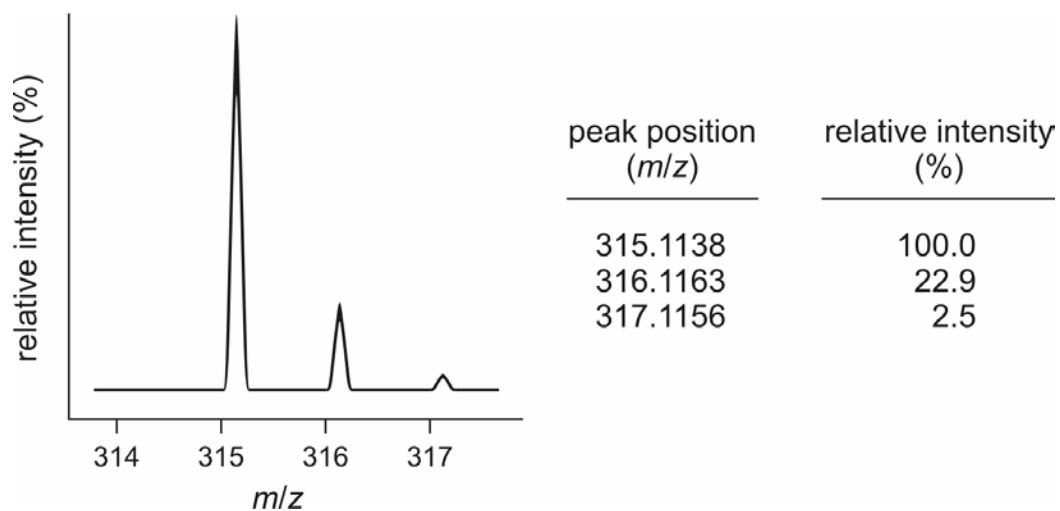
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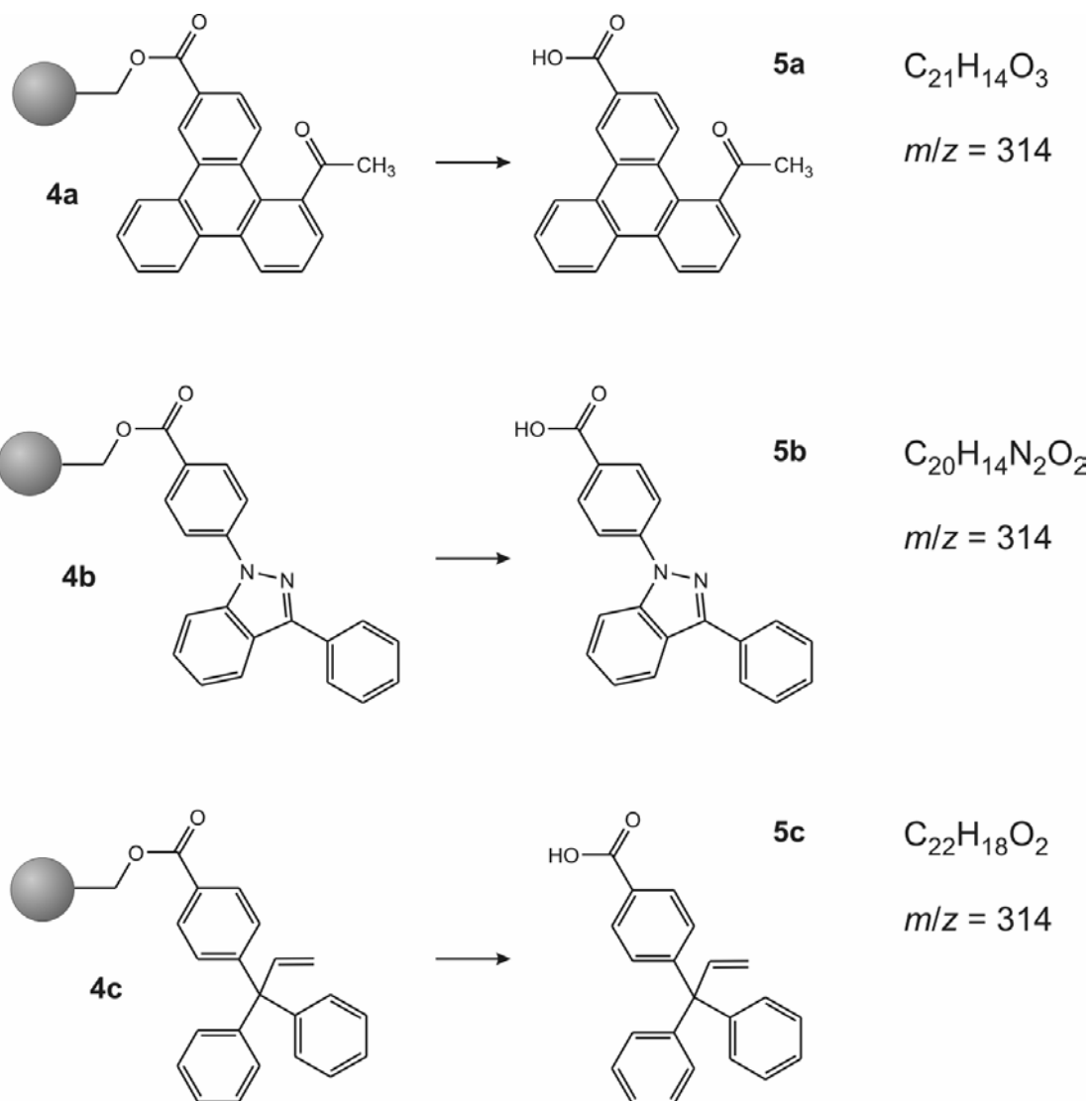


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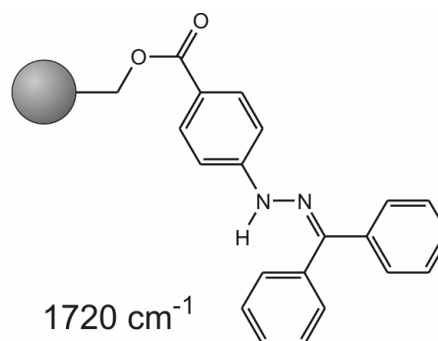
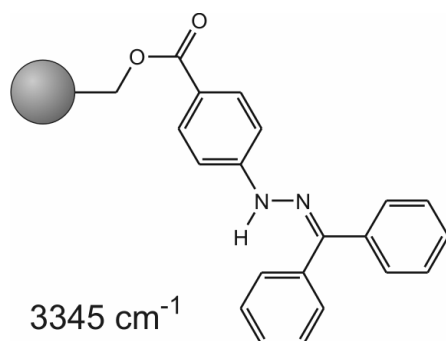
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Candidate structures for **4** and **5**:



- a. (4 pts) In the structures of molecule **2** below, circle the structural features that are responsible for the IR absorbances observed at 3345 cm^{-1} and 1720 cm^{-1} .



- b. (6 pts) How does the transformation from **2** to **3** change the IR spectrum? Why?

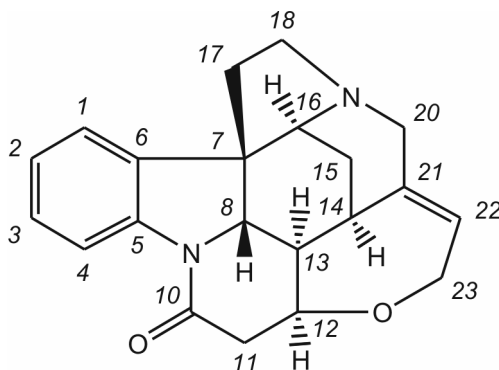
- c. (8 pts) Yan considered **5a**, **5b**, and **5c** ($m/z = 314$) as potential candidate structures for **5**—but the parent peak he observed by mass spectrometry was one mass unit heavier ($m/z = 315$) than all of these. Explain why.

- d. (20 pts) Based on the data at your disposal, which do you think is the correct structure of **5**—**5a**, **5b** or **5c**? Of the IR data, the exact mass peak positions, and the isotopic ratios, which were helpful to you in choosing the correct structure and which were not? Explain. (The tables on the last page of this exam will help you answer this question.)

Correct Structure:
(**5a**, **5b** or **5c**)

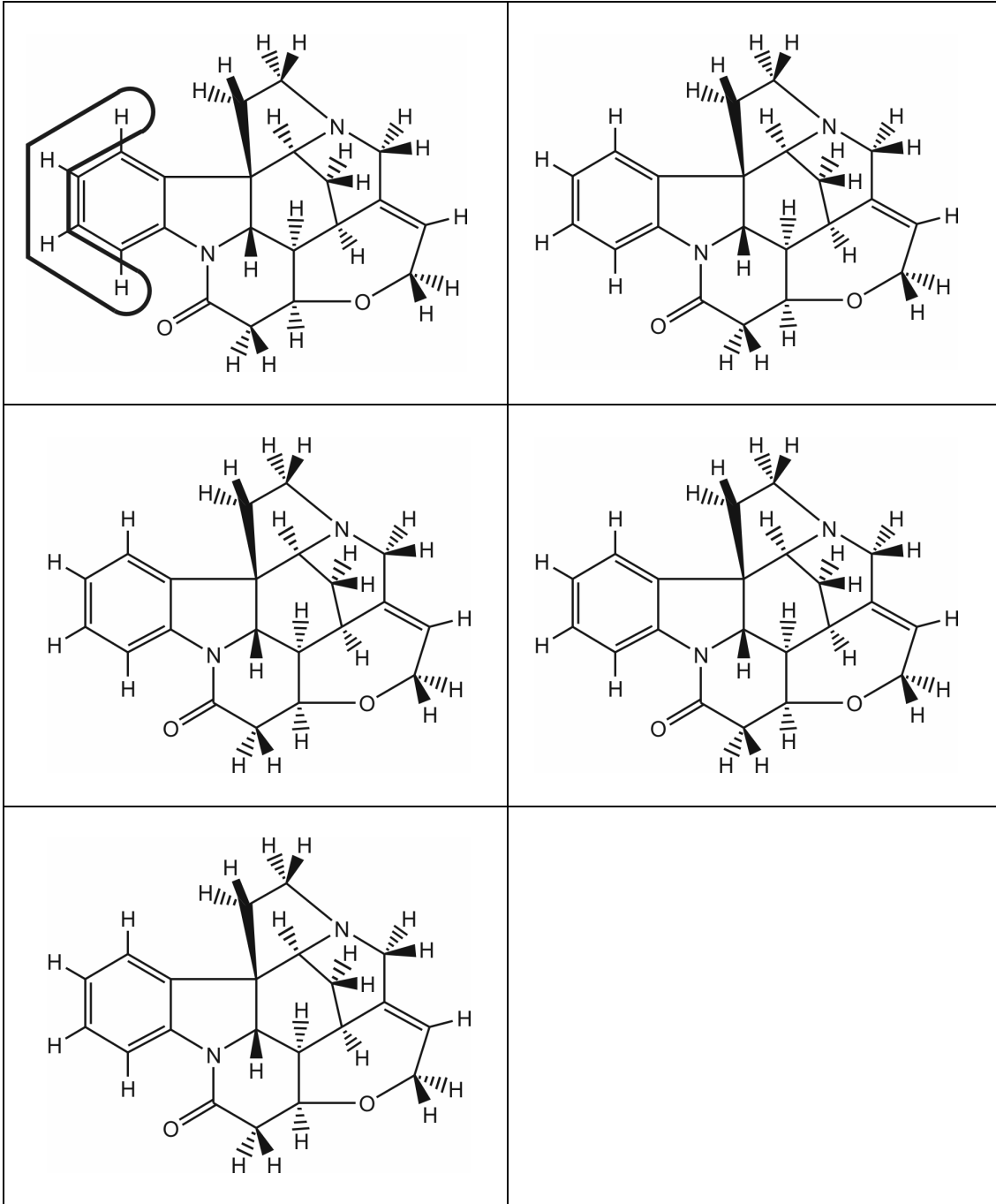
Explanation:

2. The spectra on pages 11-19 of this exam refer to strychnine, whose structure is given below:



| <u>Page</u> | <u>Description</u> |
|-------------|--|
| 11 | ^1H NMR, 300 MHz, CDCl_3 . |
| 12-14 | Close-ups of page 11, w/ integrations and peak labels. |
| 15 | ^1H - ^1H COSY, 300 MHz, CDCl_3 . |
| 16 | Close-up of page 15. |
| 17 | ^1H - ^{13}C HMQC, 500 MHz, CDCl_3 . <i>Writing on this page will be graded; see part c.</i> |
| 18 | Copy of page 17 (for scratch work). <i>Writing on this page will not be graded.</i> |
| 19 | ^1H - ^1H NOESY, 500 MHz, CDCl_3 . <i>Writing on this page will be graded; see part d.</i> |
| 20 | Copy of page 18 (for scratch work). <i>Writing on this page will not be graded.</i> |

- a. (4 pts) There are five, independent sets of coupled protons in the structure of strychnine. On the structures on the following page, circle each of these sets. (One of the sets has already been circled as an example.) *Every proton in strychnine belongs to a coupled set. Make sure you have not left any out.*



- b. (26 pts) In the COSY spectra shown on pages 15-16, crosspeaks corresponding to the four simpler sets of coupled protons are shown in gray, and those corresponding to the most complicated set are in black. (Gray and black peaks that overlap are shown as black.) Based on the information in the ^1H - ^1H COSY and ^1H - ^{13}C HMQC NMR spectra, assign chemical shifts, within 0.05 ppm, to each of the protons in the chart below.

| <i>proton</i> | δ (ppm) | |
|----------------------|----------------|--|
| H ₈ | | |
| H ₁₁ (x2) | | |
| H ₁₂ | | |
| H ₁₃ | | |
| H ₁₄ | | |
| H ₁₅ (x2) | | |
| H ₁₆ | | |
| H ₂₀ (x2) | | |
| H ₂₃ (x2) | | |

- c. (8 pts) The HMQC data can be used to verify your assignment of the paired protons (H₁₁, H₁₅, H₂₀ and H₂₃) listed above. On the HMQC spectrum on page 17, **circle** each crosspeak that corresponds to these four pairs of protons, and **connect** each pair with arrows. (The identical HMQC spectrum on page 18 is for scratch work only. Marks on page 18 will not be graded.)

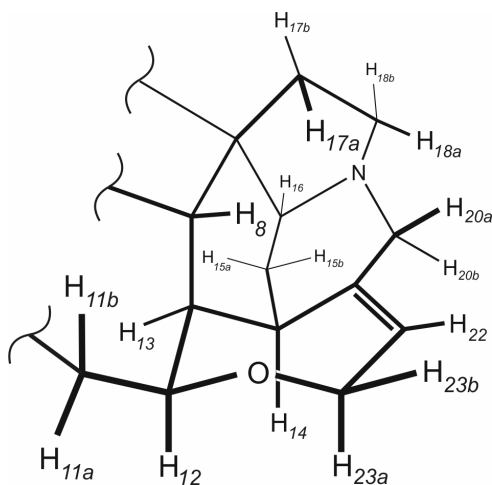
d. (12 pts) The four pairs of protons discussed above ($H_{11a/b}$, $H_{15a/b}$, $H_{20a/b}$ and $H_{23a/b}$) cannot be stereospecifically assigned from only the COSY data. However, the NOESY spectrum of strychnine allows for definitive assignment of all of these protons.

i) On the NOESY spectrum on page 19, circle **three** crosspeaks that help you assign at least one of these pairs. (The identical NOESY spectrum on page 20 is for scratch work only. Marks on page 19 will not be graded.) Label these circles **A**, **B** and **C**.

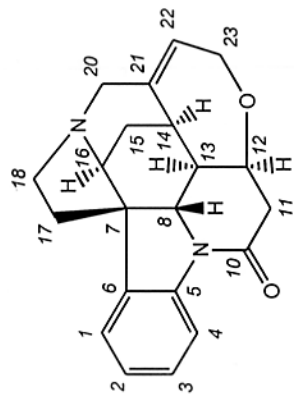
ii) Then, on the 3-dimensional structure at the top of page 19, show the NOE interaction responsible for each crosspeak you labeled with an arrow, and label the arrows **A**, **B** and **C** accordingly.

e. (12 pts) Given the information you discovered above, correctly assign **three** of the four pairs of protons from part b in the chart below. (Your choice which three. Please leave the fourth set blank.)

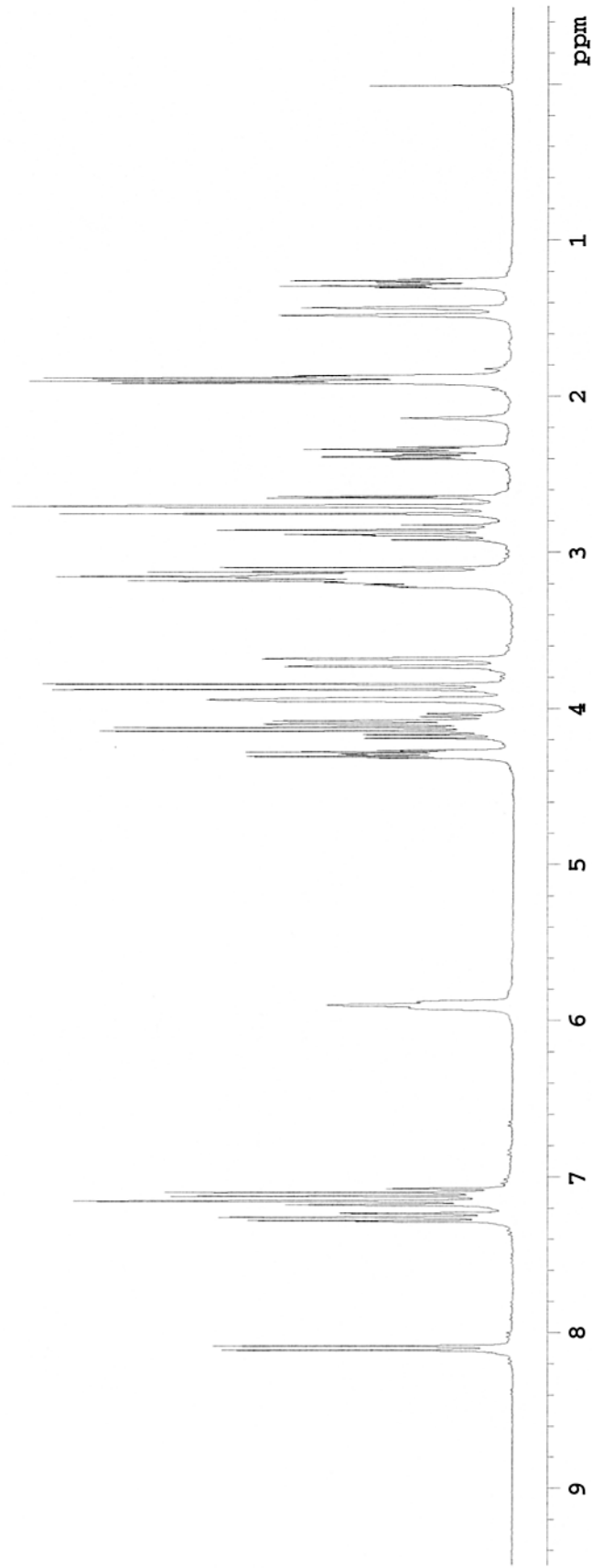
| <i>proton #</i> | δ (ppm) for H_a | δ (ppm) for H_b |
|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| H_{11} | | |
| H_{15} | | |
| H_{20} | | |
| H_{23} | | |

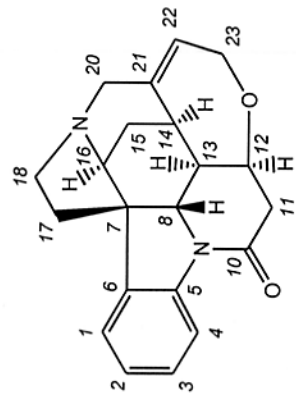


Thicker bonds and larger atom labels are closer to you; thinner bonds and smaller labels are receding into the page. This part of strychnine is shaped like a cup, with H_8 , H_{17a} and O at the outer rim and $H_{15a/b}$ and H_{16} at the bottom.

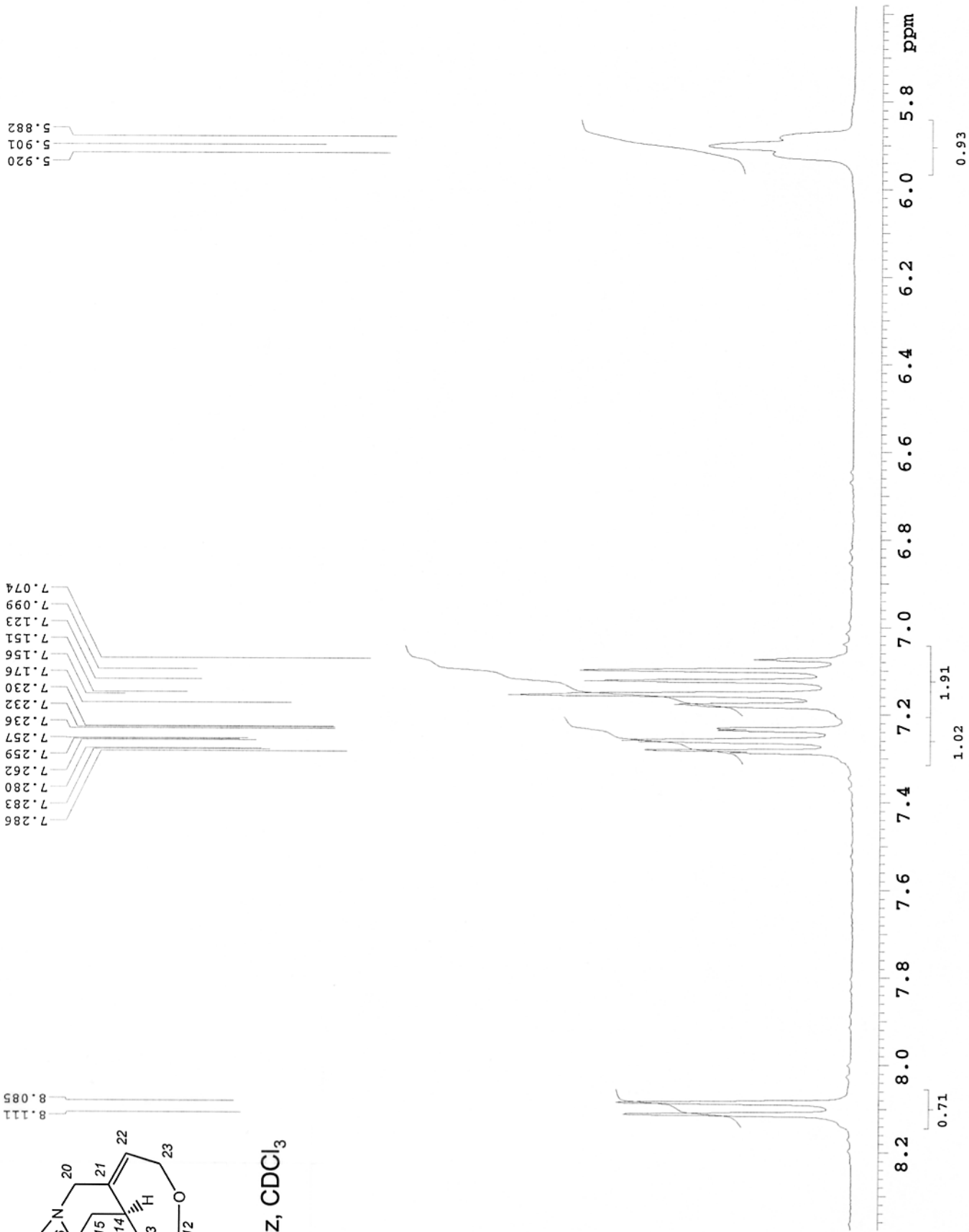


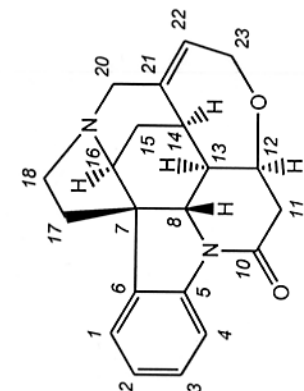
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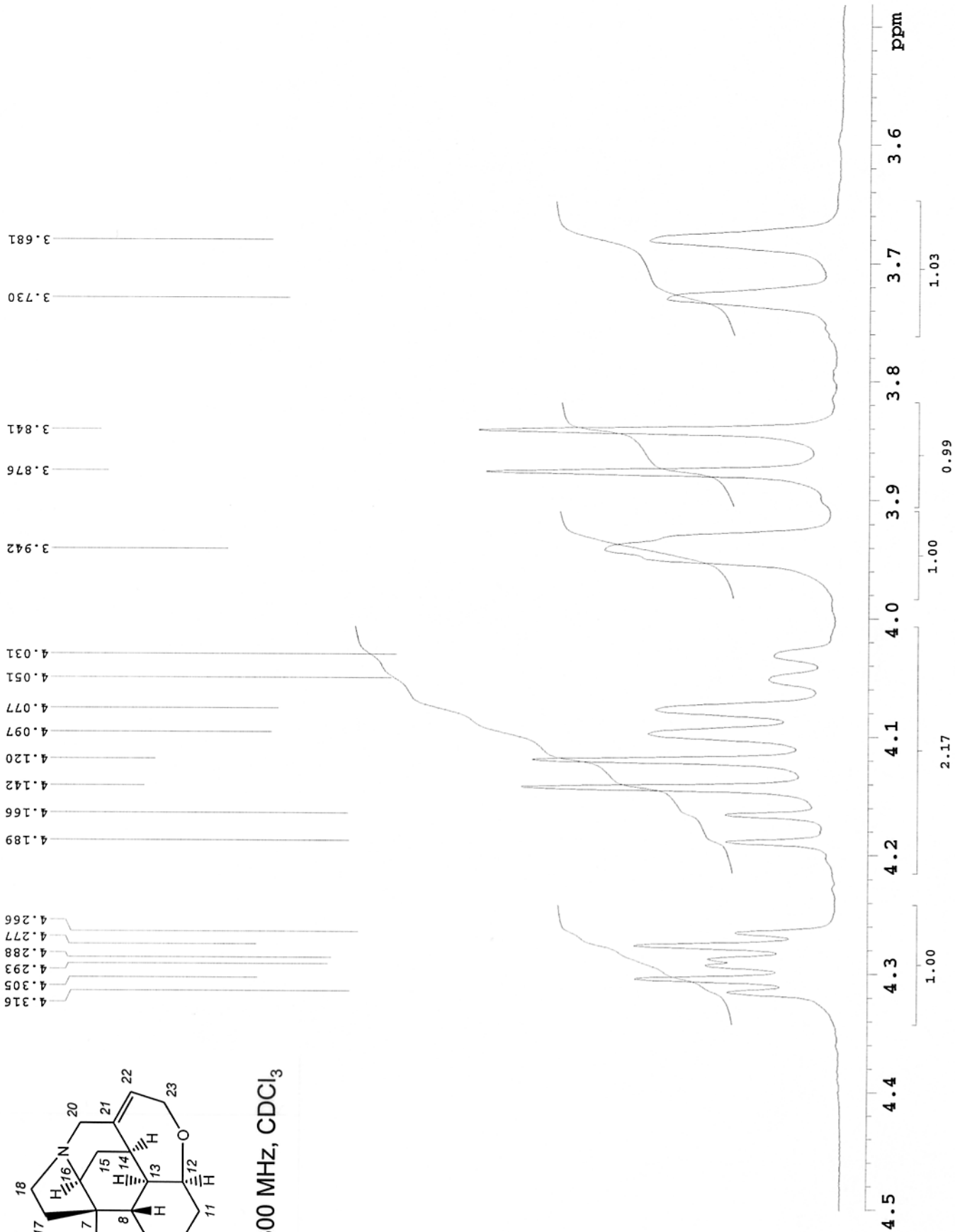


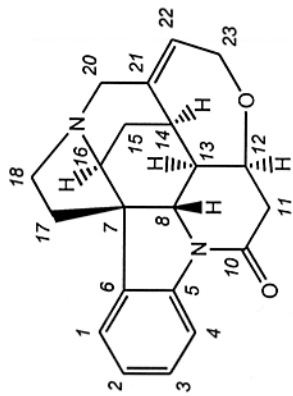
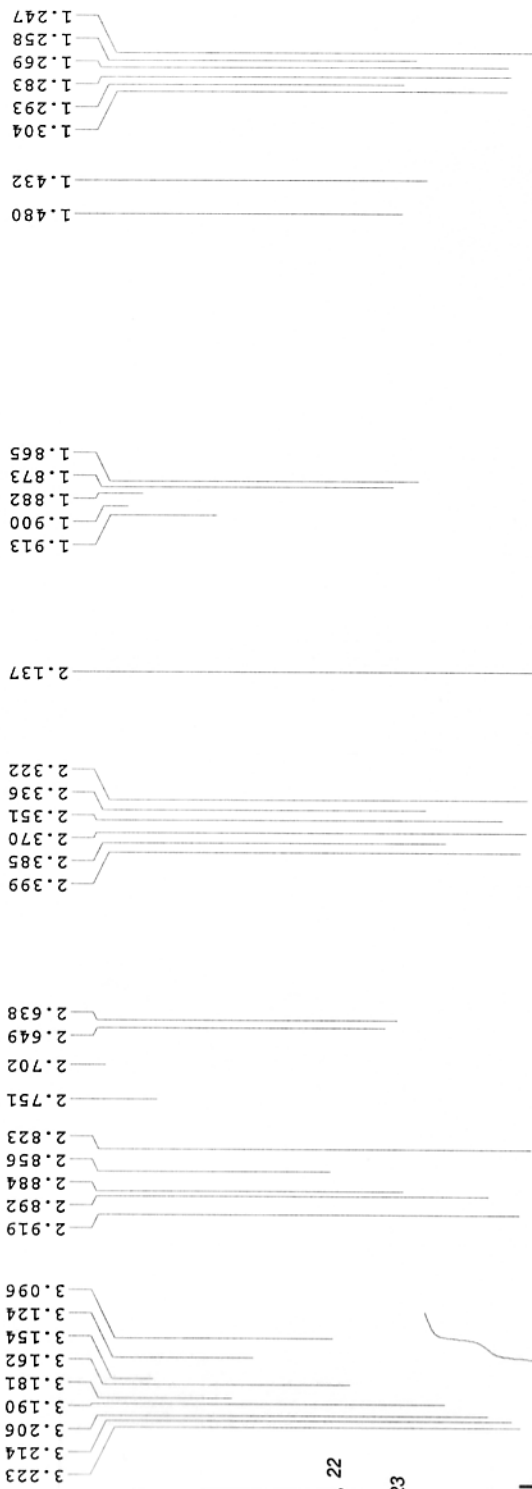
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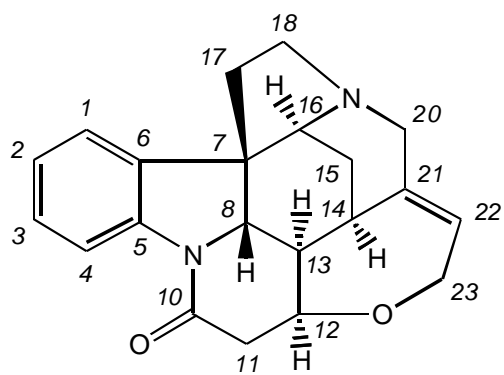


¹H NMR, 300 MHz, CDCl₃

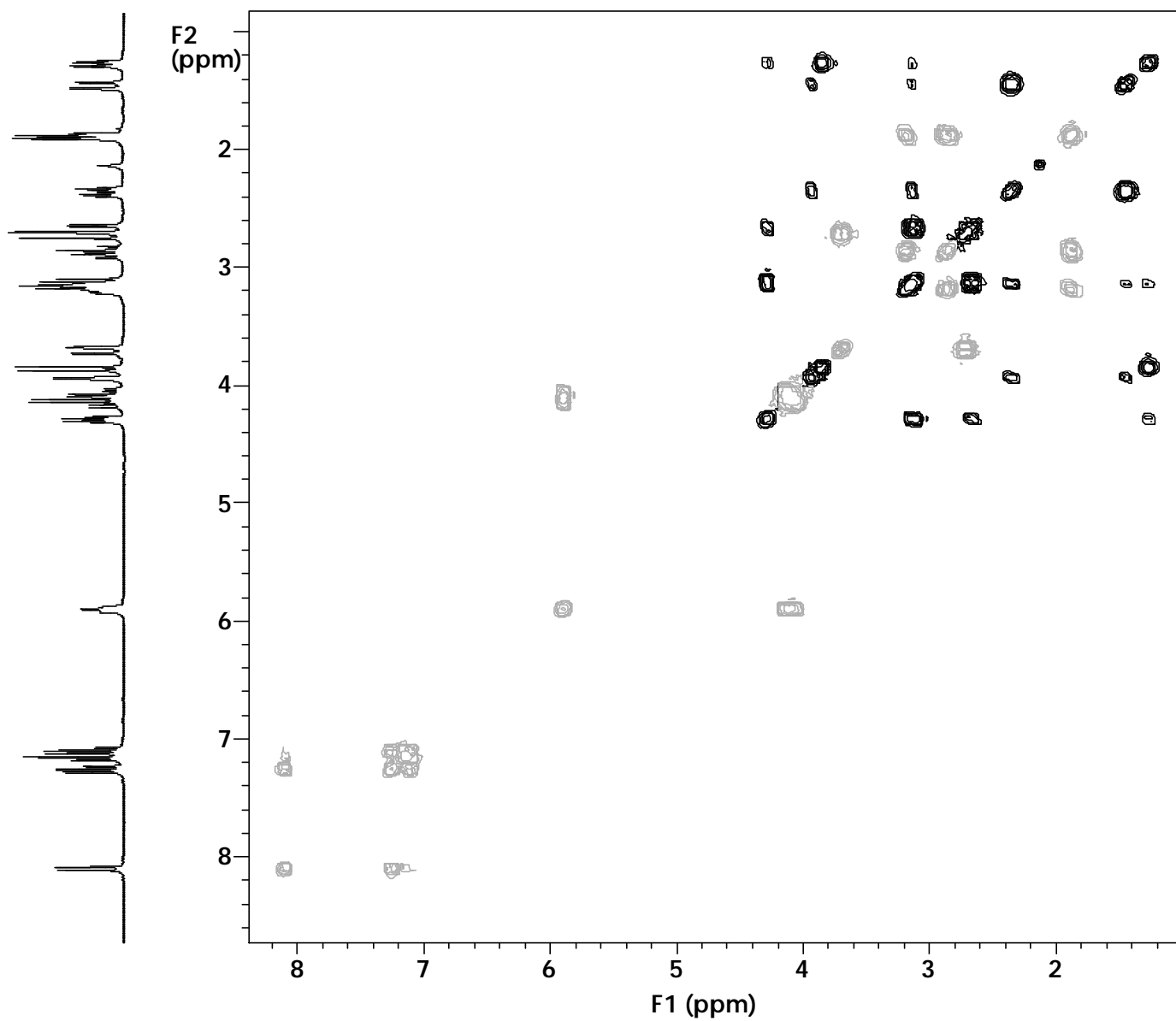


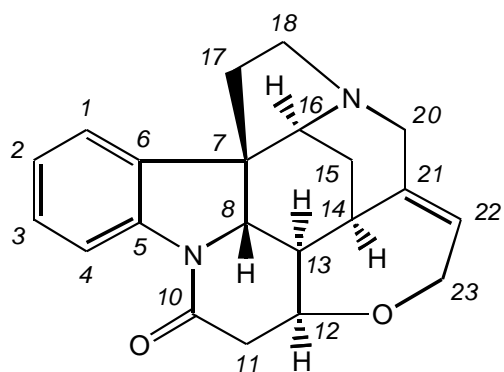


^1H NMR, 300 MHz, CDCl_3

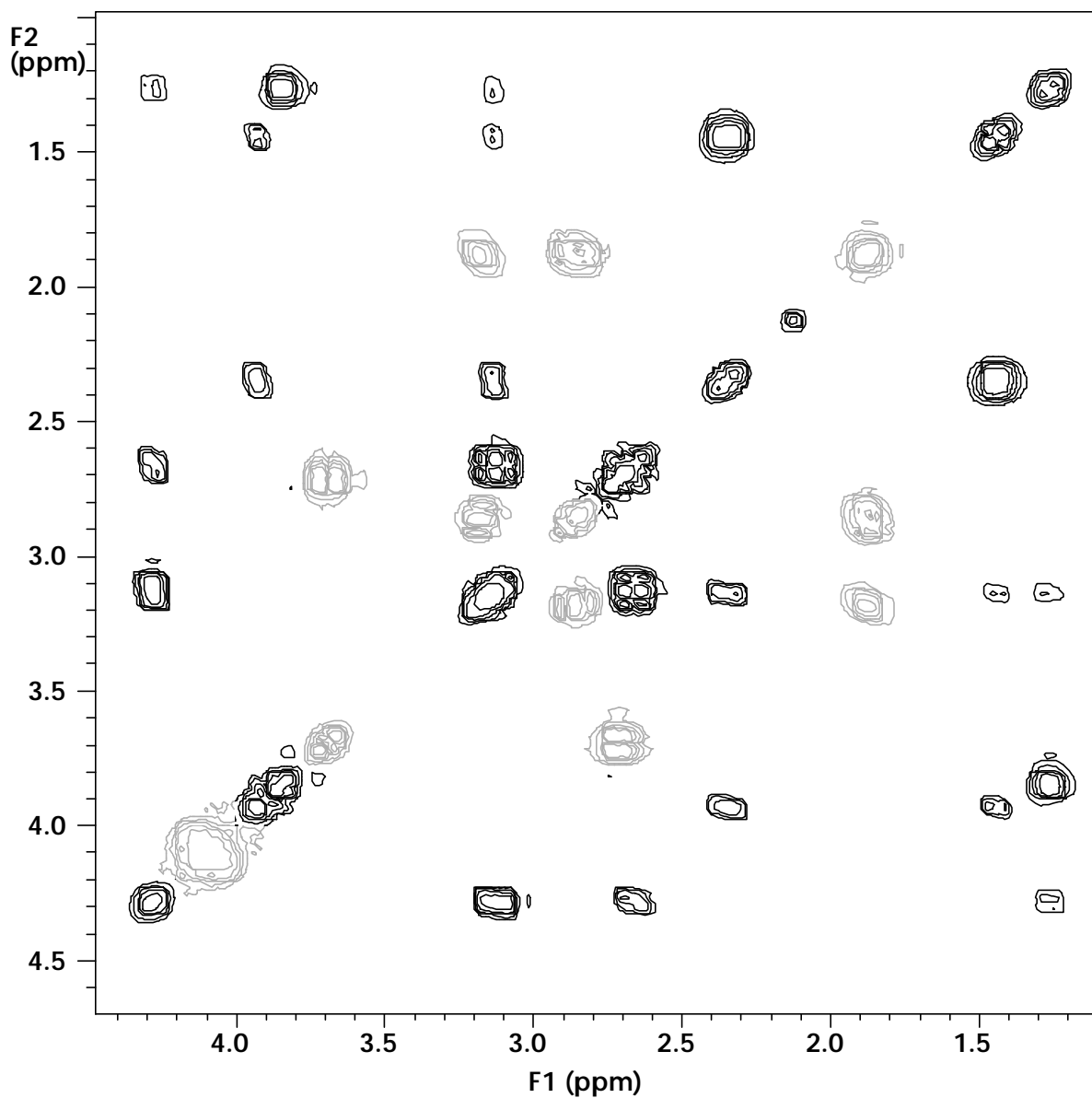
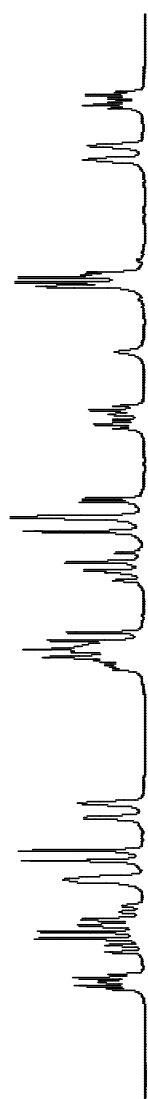
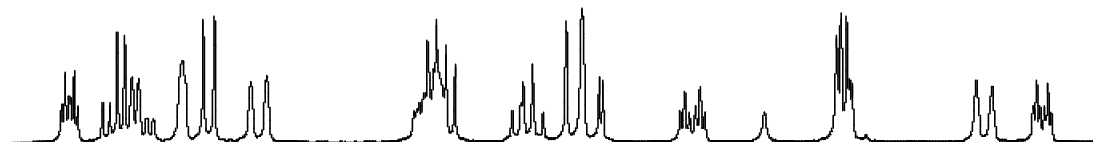


^1H - ^1H COSY, 300 MHz, CDCl_3



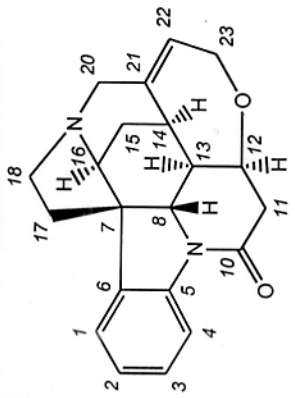


^1H - ^1H COSY, 300 MHz, CDCl_3



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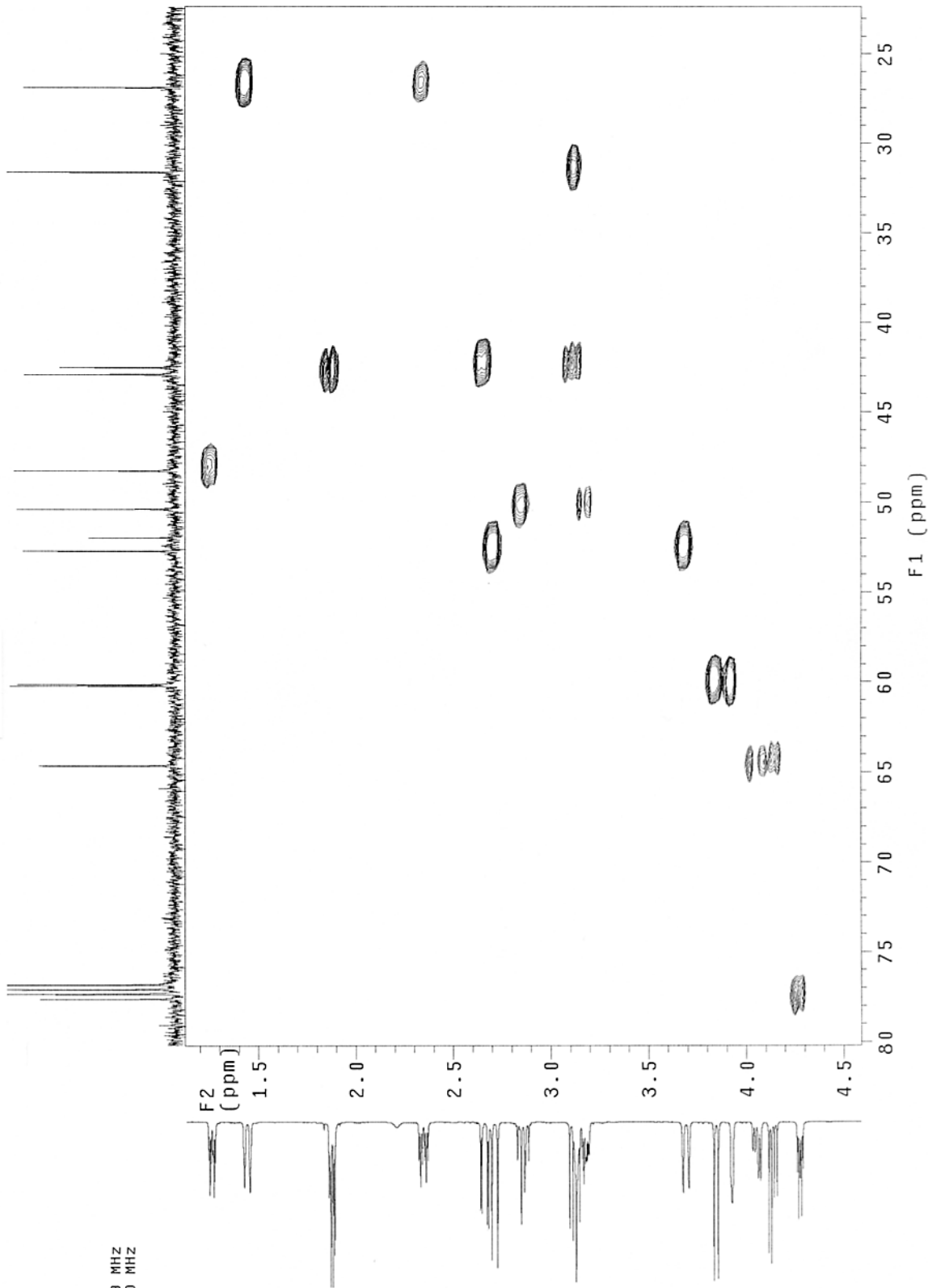
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^1H - ^{13}C HMQC, 500/125 MHz, CDCl_3

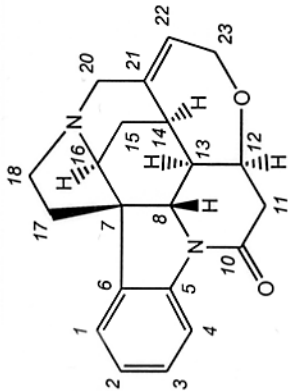
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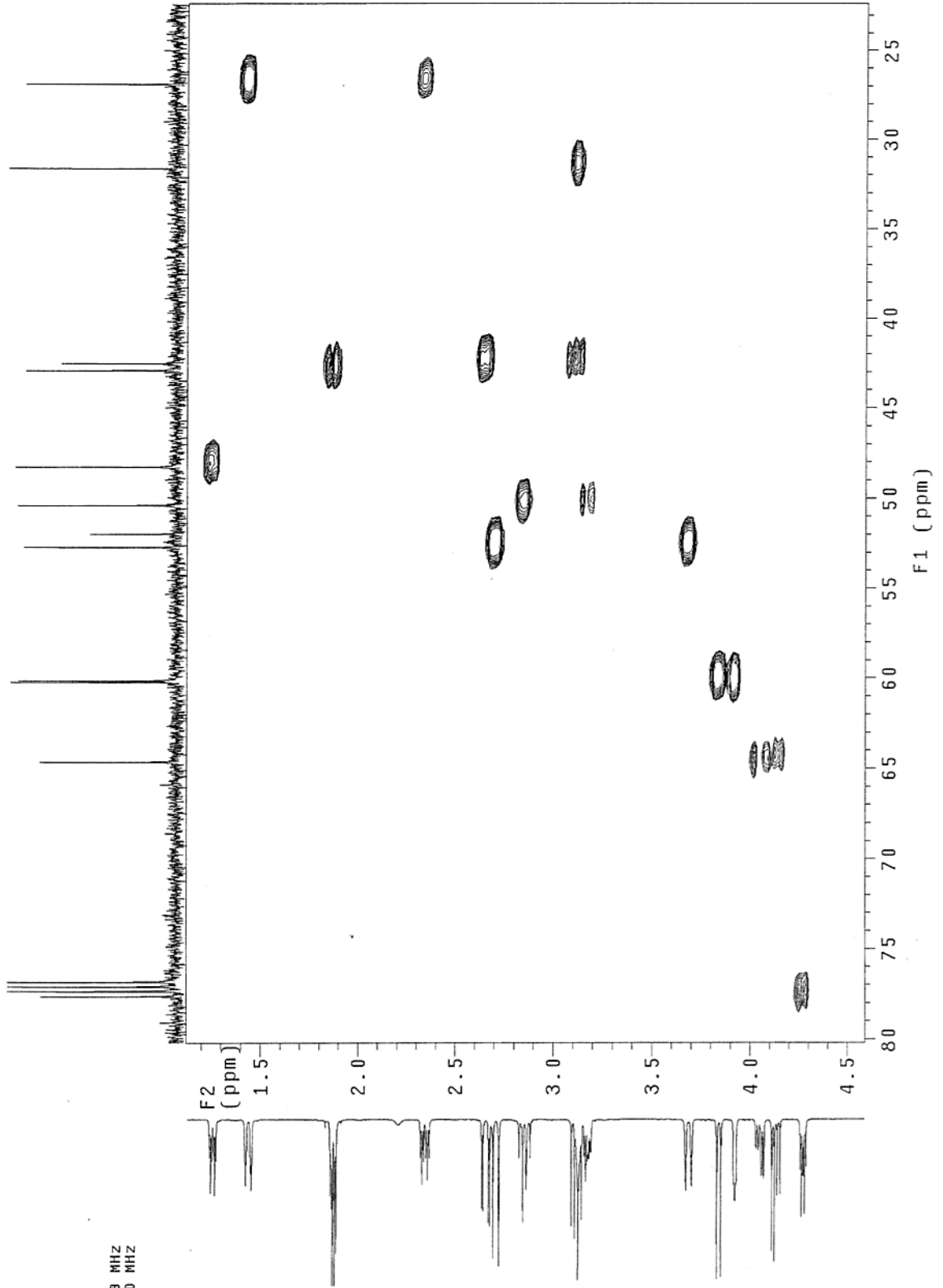
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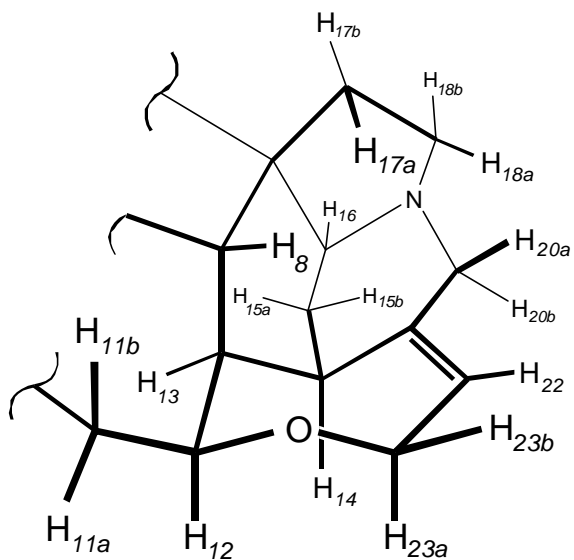


^1H - ^{13}C HMQC, 500/125 MHz, CDCl_3

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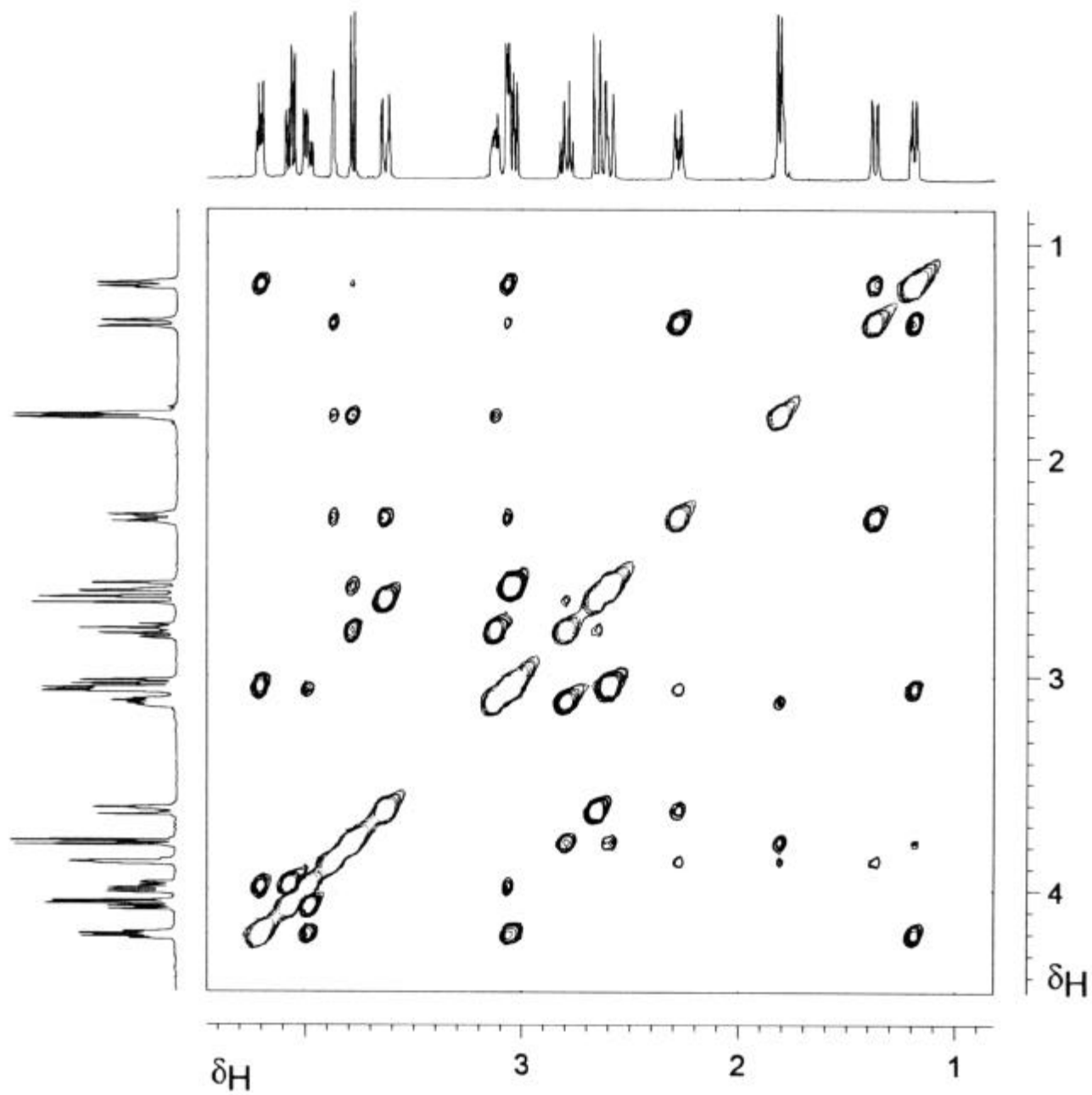
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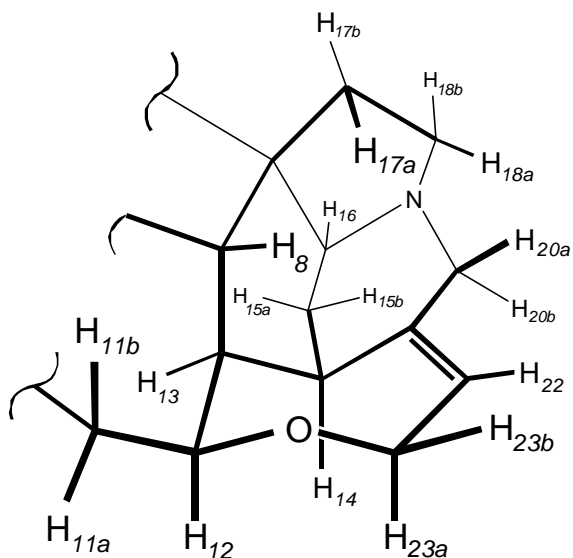




^1H - ^1H NOESY, 500 MHz, CDCl_3

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^1H - ^1H NOESY, 500 MHz, CDCl_3

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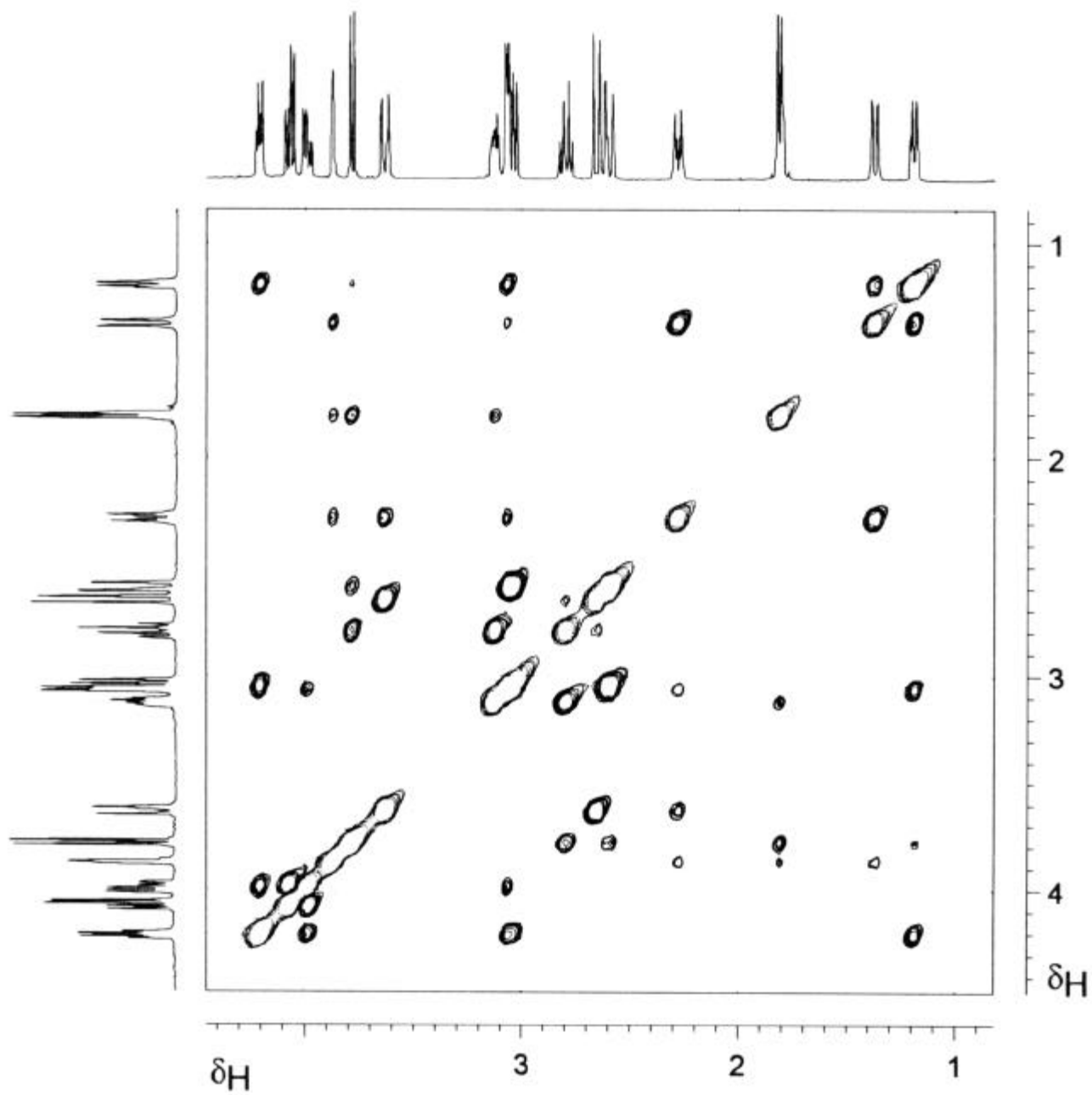


TABLE 6.1 Exact Isotope Masses for Calculating MS Molecular Weights of Important Elements^a

| <i>Element</i> | <i>Atomic Weight</i> | <i>Nuclide</i> | <i>Mass</i> | <i>Relative Abundance</i> |
|----------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Hydrogen | 1.00797 | ¹ H | 1.00783 | 100.0 |
| | | D(² H) | 2.01410 | 0.015 |
| Carbon | 12.01115 | ¹² C | 12.00000 ^b | 100.0 |
| | | ¹³ C | 13.00336 | 1.11 |
| Nitrogen | 14.0067 | ¹⁴ N | 14.0031 | 100.0 |
| | | ¹⁵ N | 15.0001 | 0.37 |
| Oxygen | 15.9994 | ¹⁶ O | 15.9949 | 100.0 |
| | | ¹⁷ O | 16.9991 | 0.04 |
| | | ¹⁸ O | 17.9992 | 0.20 |
| Fluorine | 18.9984 | ¹⁹ F | 18.9984 | 100.0 |
| Silicon | 28.086 | ²⁸ Si | 27.9769 | 100.0 |
| | | ²⁹ Si | 28.9765 | 5.06 |
| | | ³⁰ Si | 29.9738 | 3.36 |
| Phosphorus | 30.974 | ³¹ P | 30.9738 | 100.0 |
| Sulfur | 32.064 | ³² S | 31.9721 | 100.0 |
| | | ³³ S | 32.9715 | 0.79 |
| | | ³⁴ S | 33.9679 | 4.43 |
| Chlorine | 35.453 | ³⁵ Cl | 34.9689 | 100.0 |
| | | ³⁷ Cl | 36.9659 | 31.98 |
| Bromine | 79.909 | ⁷⁹ Br | 78.9183 | 100.0 |
| | | ⁸¹ Br | 80.9163 | 97.3 |
| Iodine | 126.904 | ¹²⁷ I | 126.9045 | 100.0 |

^a Round-off to the nearest 0.0001 amu when analyzing high resolution data. Round-off to the nearest amu when examining low resolution data.

^b Standard.

Table 2.2. Isotopic contributions for carbon and hydrogen. If the abundance of the peak *A* is 100 (after correction for isotopic contributions to it), then its isotopic contributions will be:

| | (A + 1) | (A + 2) | | (A + 1) | (A + 2) | (A + 3) |
|-----------------|---------|---------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| C ₁ | 1.1 | 0.00 | C ₁₆ | 18 | 1.5 | 0.1 |
| C ₂ | 2.2 | 0.01 | C ₁₇ | 19 | 1.7 | 0.1 |
| C ₃ | 3.3 | 0.04 | C ₁₈ | 20 | 1.9 | 0.1 |
| C ₄ | 4.4 | 0.07 | C ₁₉ | 21 | 2.1 | 0.1 |
| C ₅ | 5.5 | 0.12 | C ₂₀ | 22 | 2.3 | 0.2 |
| C ₆ | 6.6 | 0.18 | C ₂₂ | 24 | 2.8 | 0.2 |
| C ₇ | 7.7 | 0.25 | C ₂₄ | 26 | 3.3 | 0.3 |
| C ₈ | 8.8 | 0.34 | C ₂₆ | 29 | 3.9 | 0.3 |
| C ₉ | 9.9 | 0.44 | C ₂₈ | 31 | 4.5 | 0.4 |
| C ₁₀ | 11.0 | 0.54 | C ₃₀ | 33 | 5.2 | 0.5 |
| C ₁₁ | 12.1 | 0.67 | C ₃₅ | 39 | 7.2 | 0.9 |
| C ₁₂ | 13.2 | 0.80 | C ₄₀ | 44 | 9.4 | 1.3 |
| C ₁₃ | 14.3 | 0.94 | C ₆₀ | 55 | 15 | 2.6 |
| C ₁₄ | 15.4 | 1.1 | C ₆₀ | 66 | 21 | 4.6 |
| C ₁₅ | 16.5 | 1.3 | C ₁₀₀ | 110 | 60 | 22 |

For each additional element present, add per atom:

(A + 1): N, 0.37; O, 0.04; Si, 5.1; S, 0.79.

(A + 2): O, 0.20; Si, 3.4; S, 4.4; Cl, 32.0; Br, 97.3.

Typical values for (A + 4): C₂₅, 0.02; C₄₀, 0.13; C₁₀₀, 5.7.