P(*i*-**PrNCH**₂**CH**₂)₃**N** as a Lewis-Base Catalyst for the Synthesis of β-Hydroxynitriles Using TMSAN

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General Information

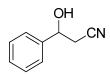
All reactions were carried out under inert atmosphere using oven dried glassware and a magnetic stirrer. THF was distilled and dried over sodium. Trimethylsilylacetonitrile (TMSAN), proazaphosphatrane **1a** and all aldehydes were purchased from commercial sources and were used without further purification. Products were purified via column chromatography using hexane/ethyl acetate. ¹H and ¹³C nmr spectra were obtained on a VXR-300 and a VXR-400 NMR spectrometer, respectively. All NMR spectra were taken in CDCl₃. Thin layer chromatography was used to monitor reaction progress.

β-Hydroxy-4-methyl- benzenepropanenitrile (Table 1, entry 6)¹:

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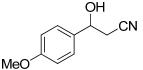
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a yellow oil in 91% isolated yield.

β-Hydroxybenzenepropanenitrile (Table 2, entry 1)²:



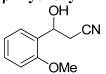
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a yellow oil in 89% isolated yield.

β-Hydroxy-4-methoxy- benzenepropanenitrile (Table 2, entry 2)²:



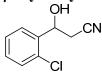
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β-Hydroxy-2-methoxy- benzenepropanenitrile (Table 2, entry 3)³:



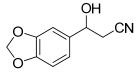
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a white solid in 77% isolated yield.

β-Hydroxy-2-chlorobenzenepropanenitrile (Table 2, entry 4)³:



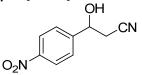
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a colorless oil in 94% isolated yield.

β-Hydroxy-1,3-benzodioxole-5-propanenitrile (Table 2, entry 5):



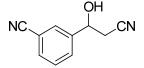
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a white solid in 82% isolated yield. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 6.86–6.76 (m, 3H), 5.95 (s, 2H), 4.93–4.89 (m, 1H), 2.81 (d, 1H, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 2.70–2.69 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.6 MHz): δ 148.1, 135.1, 119.3, 117.6, 108.5, 106.1, 101.4, 69.9, 28.1 ppm; HRMS *m*/*z* Calcd. for C₁₀H₉NO₃: 191.05824. Found: 191.05876.

β-Hydroxy-4-nitrobenzenepropanenitrile (Table 2, entry 6)¹:



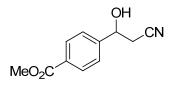
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a yellow solid in 94% isolated yield.

β-Hydroxy-3-cyanobenzenepropanenitrile (Table 2, entry 7):



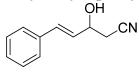
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a yellow oil in 89% isolated yield. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.65–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.50 (t, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 5.08 (q, 1H, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 3.62 (d, 1H, *J* = 4.4 Hz), 2.82–2.71 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.6 MHz): δ 142.9, 132.4, 130.5, 129.9, 129.5, 118.7, 117.2, 112.7, 68.8, 28.3 ppm; HRMS *m*/*z* Calcd. for C₁₀H₈N₂O: 172.06366. Found: 172.06395.

Methyl 4-(2-cyano-1-hydroxyethyl)benzoate (Table 2, entry 8):



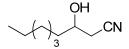
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a yellow oil in 93% isolated yield. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz): δ 8.99 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.45 (d, 2H, J = 8.0 Hz), 5.07 (q, 1H, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.27 (d, 1H, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 2.76–2.74 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz): δ 166.9, 146.2, 130.5, 130.3, 125.8, 117.3, 69.7, 52.6, 28.1 ppm; HRMS *m*/*z* Calcd. for C₁₁H₁₁NO₃: 205.07389. Found: 205.07416.

3-Hydroxy-5-phenyl-, 4-pentenenitrile (Table 2, entry 9)⁴:



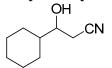
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a yellow oil in 94% isolated yield. ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.6 MHz): δ 135.8, 133.1, 128.9, 128.7, 128.3, 127.0, 117.5, 68.8, 26.6 ppm.

3-Hydroxynonanenitrile (Table 2, entry 10)⁵:



The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a colorless oil in 85% isolated yield.

3-Cyclohexyl-3-hydroxypropionitrile (Table 2, entry 11)⁵:



The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a colorless oil in 86% isolated yield.

β-Hydroxy- 2-thiophenepropanenitrile, (Table 3, entry 1)⁶:

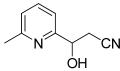
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The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a yellow oil in 88% isolated yield.

β-Hydroxy-benzo[b]thiophene-2-propanenitrile (Table 3, entry 2)⁶::

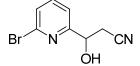
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3-Hydroxy-3-(6-methylpyridin-2-yl)propanenitrile (Table 3, entry 3):



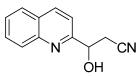
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a white solid in 92% isolated yield. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.61 (t, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.18 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.10 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 5.09 (s, 1H), 4.97 (t, 1H, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 2.87–2.75 (m, 2H), 2.51 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.6 MHz): δ 157.9, 157.4, 137.8, 123.3, 117.6, 117.5, 68.6, 27.4, 24.4 ppm; HRMS *m*/*z* Calcd. for C₉H₁₀N₂O: 162.07931. Found: 162.07961.

3-(6-Bromopyridin-2-yl)-3-hydroxypropanenitrile (Table 3, entry 4):



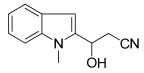
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a yellow oil in 87% isolated yield. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.62 (t, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.46 (d, 2H, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 5.03 (m, 1H), 4.02 (d, 1H, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 2.97–2.82 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.6 MHz): δ 160.4, 141.7, 139.8, 128.1, 119.7, 117.3, 69.1, 27.0 ppm; HRMS *m*/*z* Calcd. for C₈H₇BrN₂O: 225.97417. Found: 225.97456.

β-Hydroxy-2-Quinolinepropanenitrile (Table 3, entry 5)



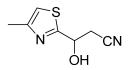
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a red oil in 93% isolated yield. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz): δ 8.25 (d, 1H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 8.10 (d, 1H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 7.87 (d, 1H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 7.77 (t, 1H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 7.59 (t, 1H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 7.46 (d, 1H, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 5.25 (bs, 1H), 5.19 (bs, 1H), 2.96–2.93 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.6 MHz): δ 157.8, 146.7, 138.1, 130.6, 129.1, 128.1, 127.9, 127.4, 118.1, 117.2, 68.9, 27.3 ppm; HRMS *m*/*z* Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₀N₂O: 198.07931. Found: 198.07973.

3-Hydroxy-3-(1-methyl-1*H***-indol-2-yl)propanenitrile (Table 3, entry 6)**



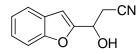
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a yellow solid in 81% isolated yield. ¹H NMR (CD₃CN, 400 MHz): δ 7.59 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.41 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.24 (t, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.09 (t, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 6.54 (s, 1H), 5.23 (q, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 3.97 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.08–3.06 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CD₃CN, 100.6 MHz): δ 139.9, 138.1, 127.3, 122.1, 120.8, 119.7, 118.2, 117.5, 109.6, 99.2, 62.6, 29.9, 25.3 ppm; HRMS *m/z* Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₂N₂O: 200.09496. Found: 200.09532.

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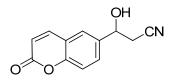
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a yellow oil in 95% isolated yield. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 6.90 (s, 1H), 5.28 (s, 1H), 5.11 (s, 1H), 3.06–2.87 (m, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.6 MHz): δ 171.1, 153.1, 117.2, 114.8, 67.5, 27.2, 17.1 ppm; HRMS *m*/*z* Calcd. for C₇H₈N₂OS: 168.03573. Found: 168.03606.

3-(Benzofuran-2-yl)-3-hydroxypropanenitrile (Table 3, entry 8):



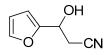
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a yellow oil in 64% isolated yield. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ 7.58–7.55 (m, 1H), 7.48–7.45 (m, 1H), 7.34–7.28 (m, 1H), 7.27–7.22 (m, 1H), 6.77 (s, 1H) 5.17 (q, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 3.05–2.91 (m, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.6 MHz): δ 155.4, 155.0, 127.8, 125.1, 123.4, 121.7, 117.1, 111.6, 104.4, 64.4, 25.2 ppm; HRMS *m*/*z* Calcd. for C₁₁H₉NO₂: 187.06333. Found: 187.06371.

3-Hydroxy-3-(2-oxo-2*H*-chromen-6-yl)propanenitrile (Table 3, entry 9):



The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a yellow solid in 70% isolated yield.¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz): δ 7.71–7.68 (m, 1H), 7.57–7.54 (m, 2H), 7.30–7.25 (m, 1H), 6.40 (d, 1H, J = 12.4 Hz), 5.13 (t, 1H, J = 6.0 Hz), 3.34 (s, 1H), 2.80 (d, 2H, J = 4.0 Hz) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.6 MHz): δ 160.7, 154.1, 143.3, 137.6, 129.2, 125.2, 119.1, 117.7, 117.6, 116.9, 115.5, 69.4, 28.4 ppm; HRMS *m/z* Calcd. for C₁₂H₉NO₃: 215.05824. Found: 215.05862.

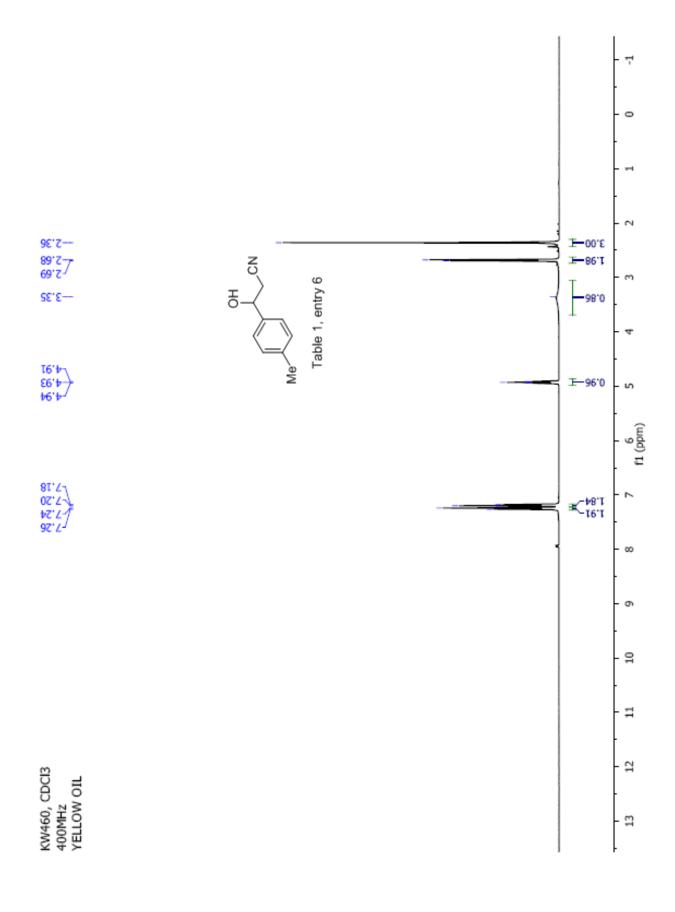
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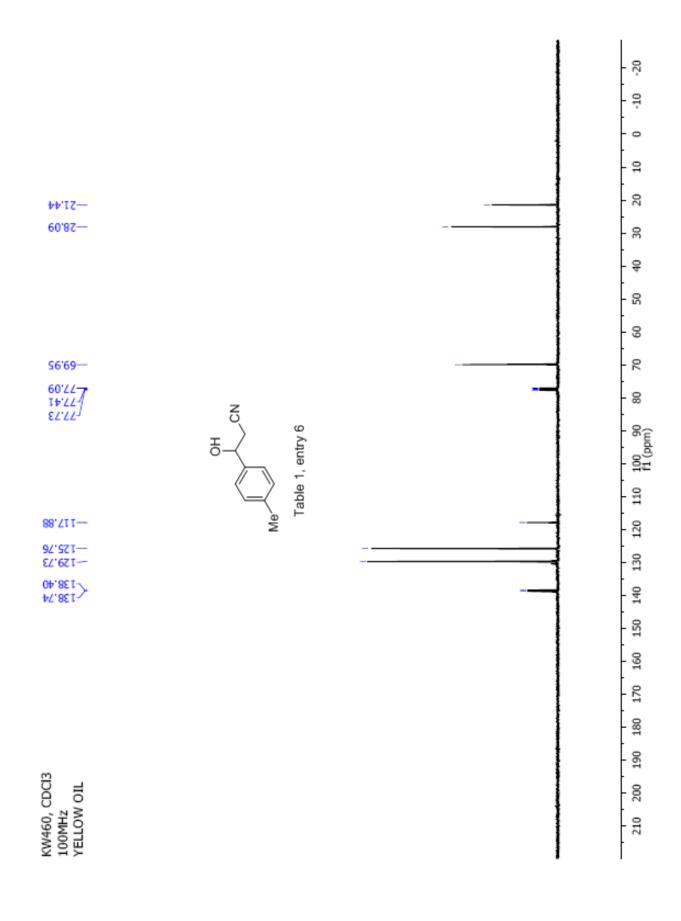


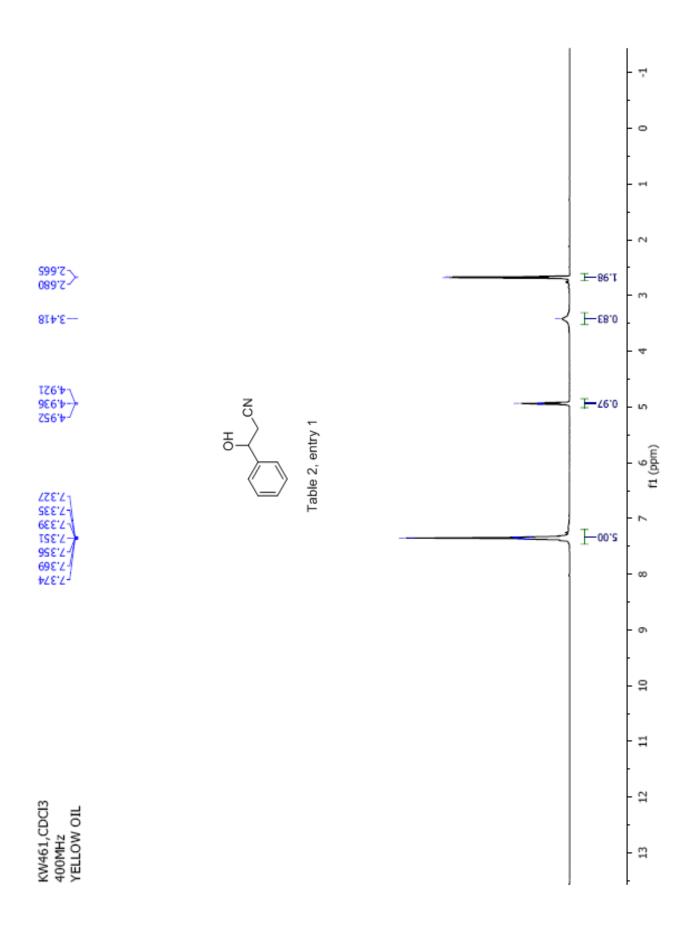
The general procedure was followed for the synthesis and purification; product was afforded as a colorless oil in 81% isolated yield. ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100.6 MHz): δ 153.1, 143.1, 117.3, 110.8, 107.7, 63.9, 25.1 ppm.

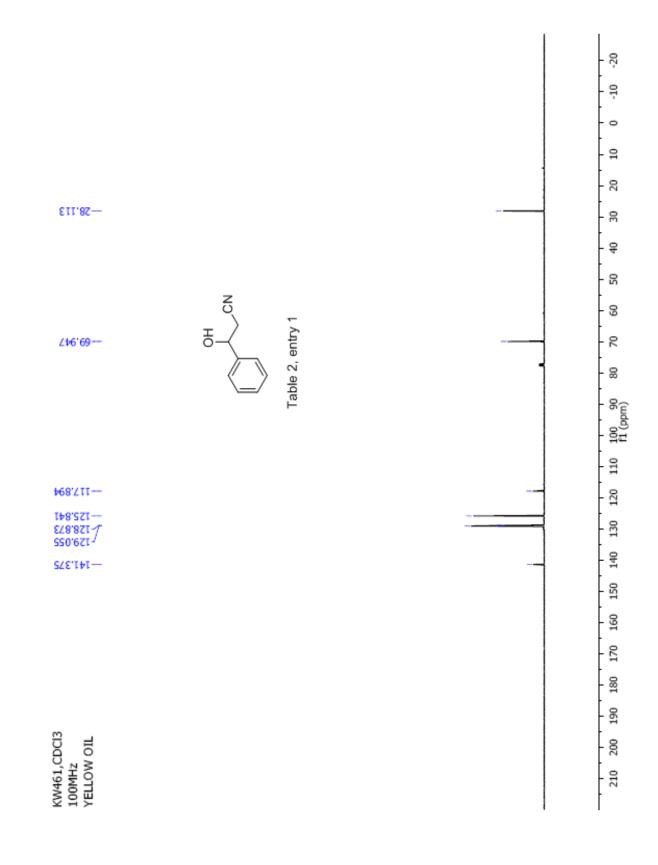
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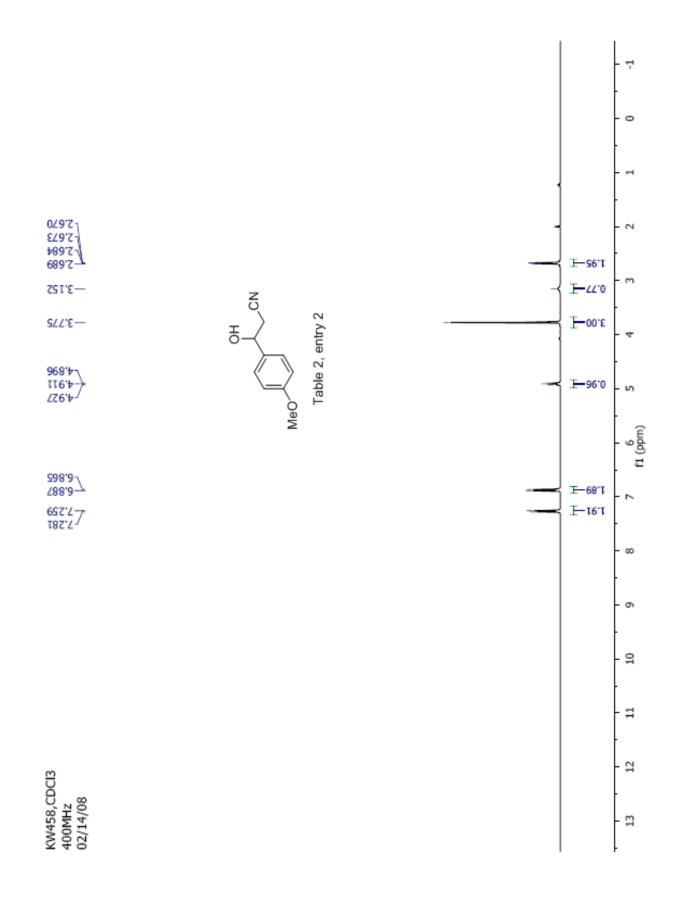
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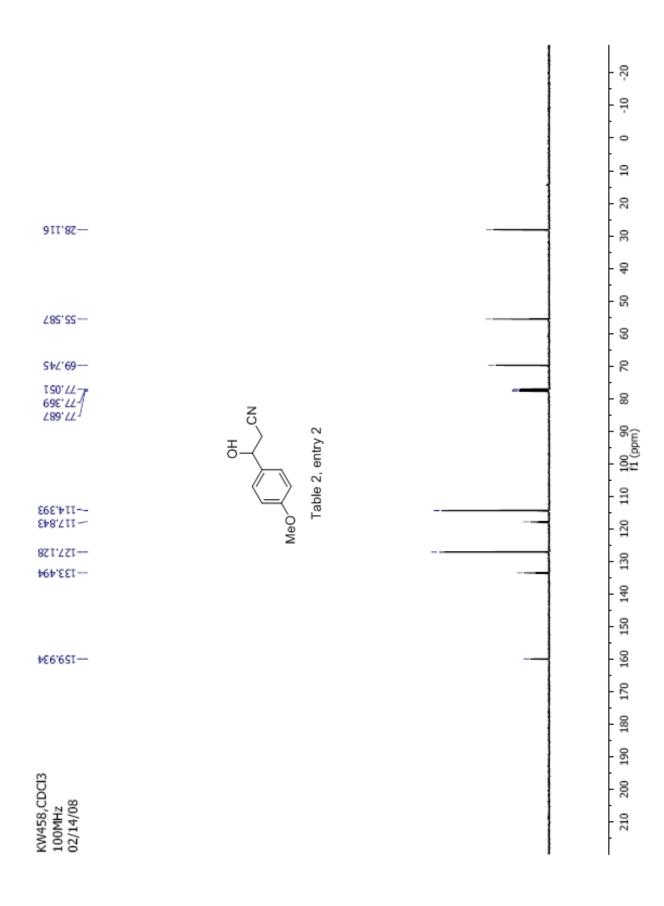


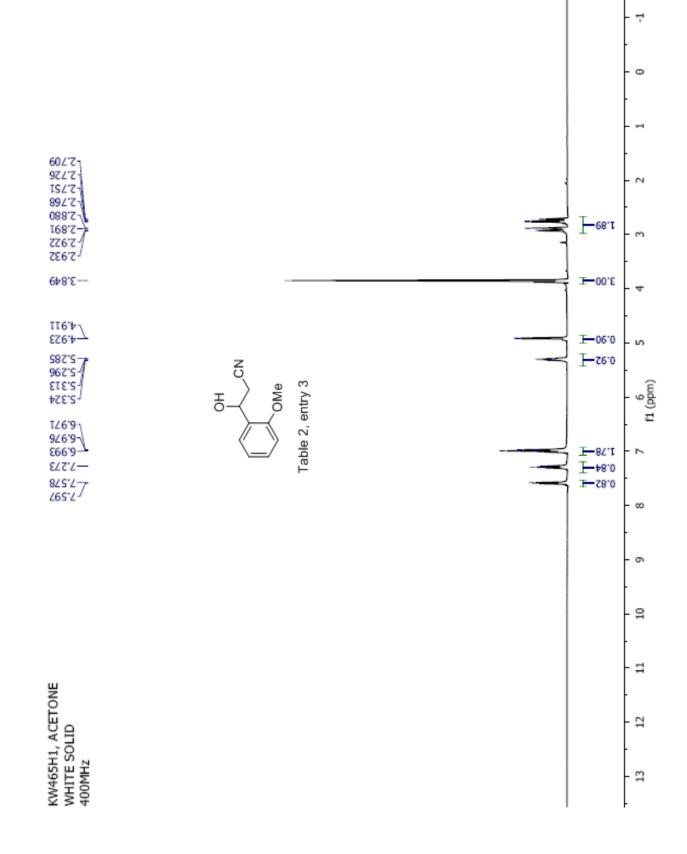


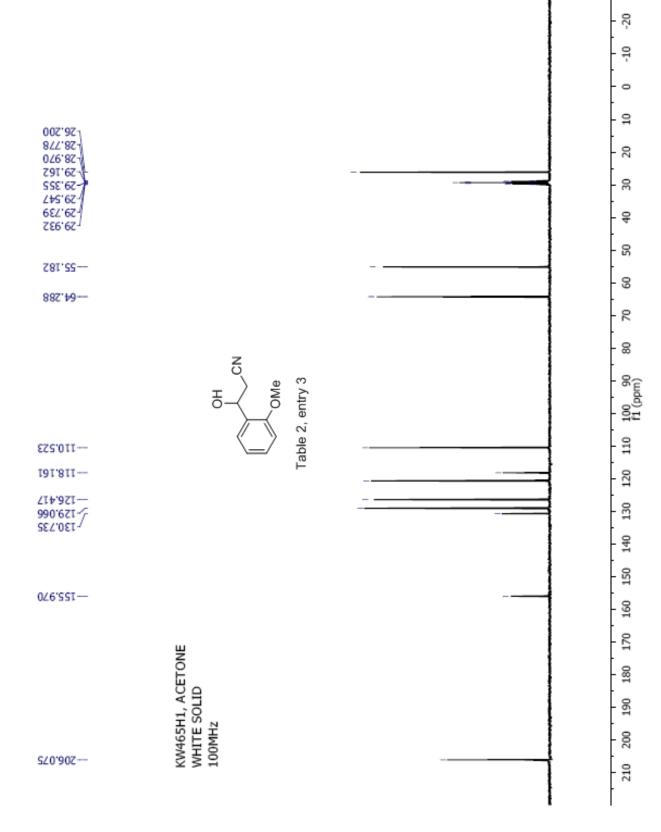


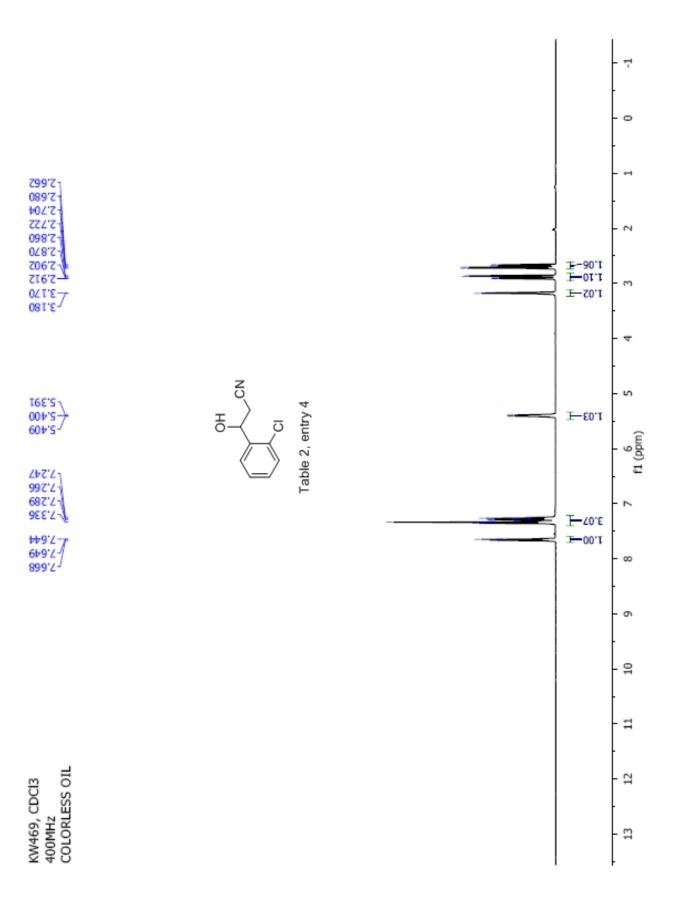


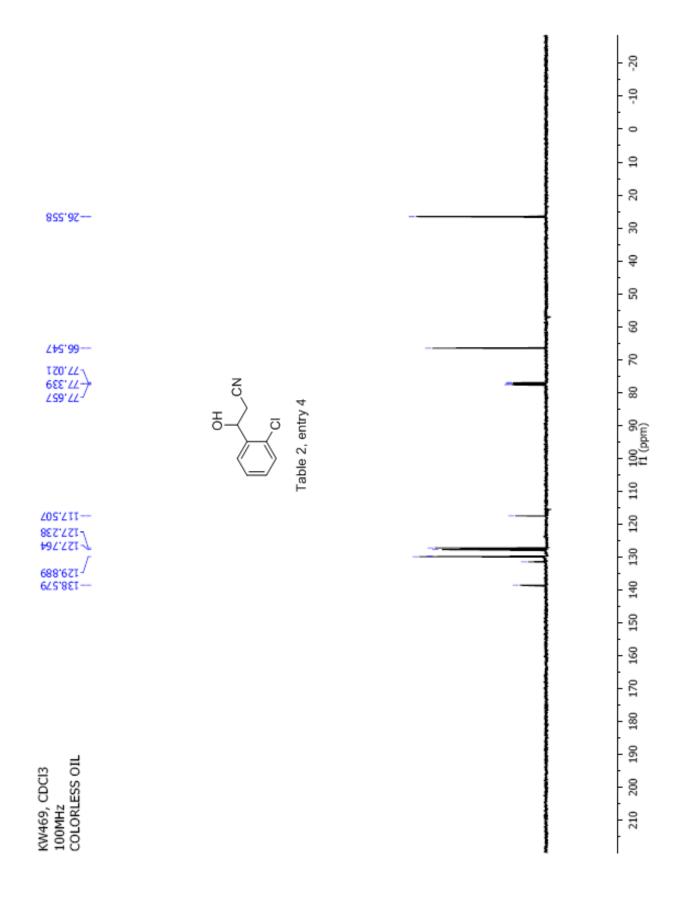


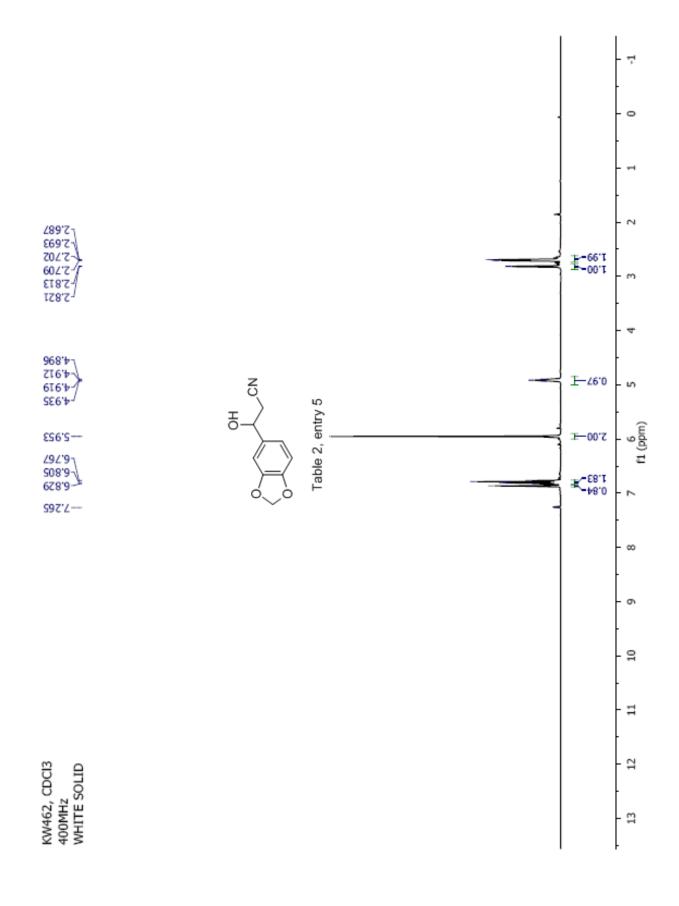


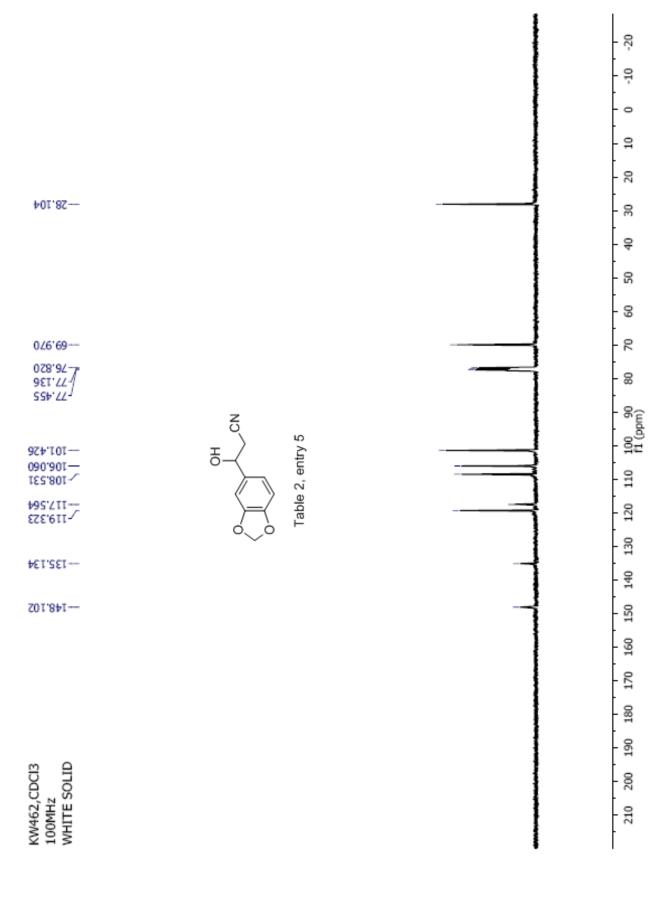












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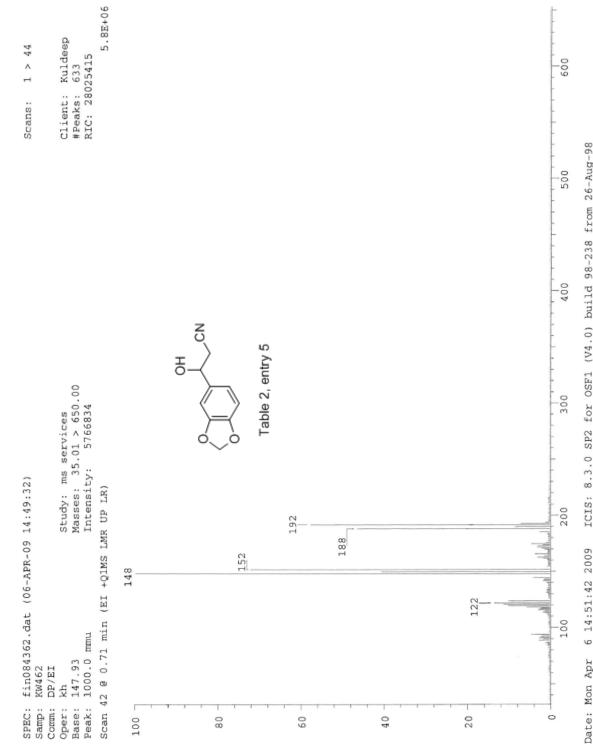
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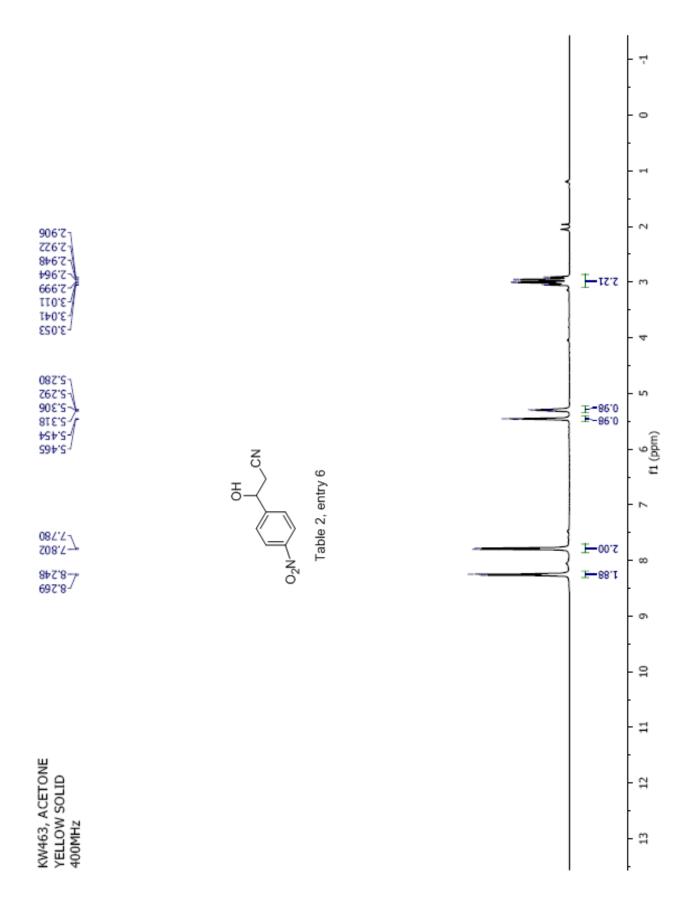
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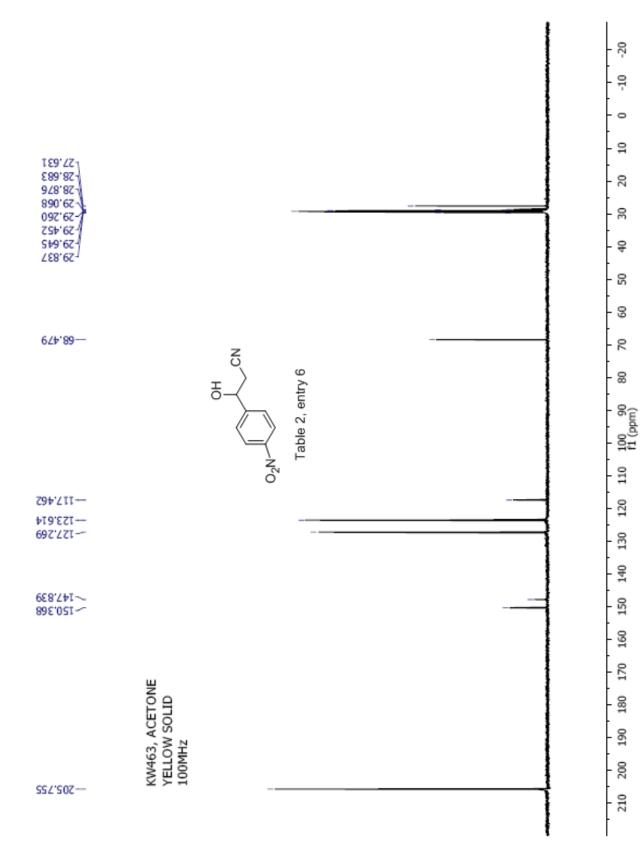
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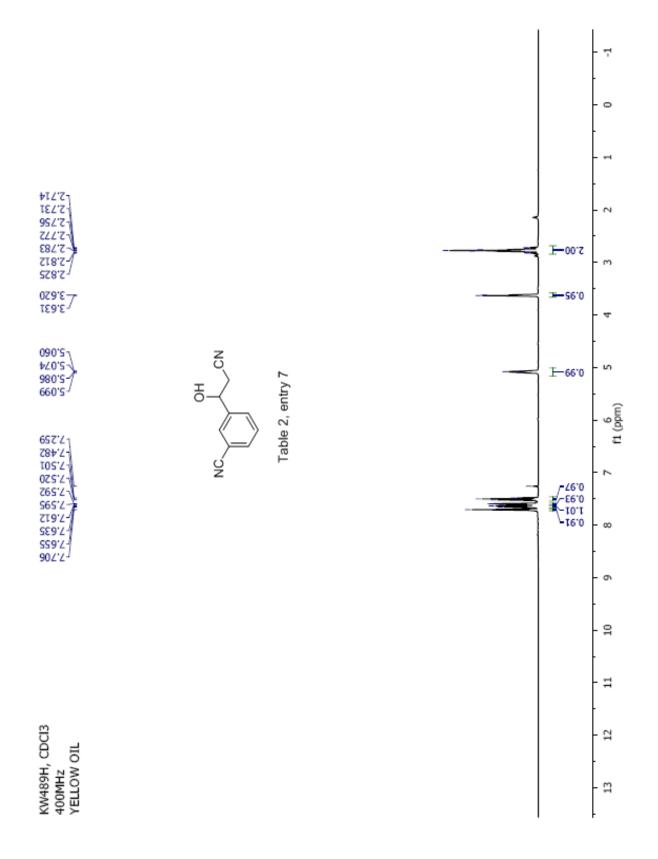
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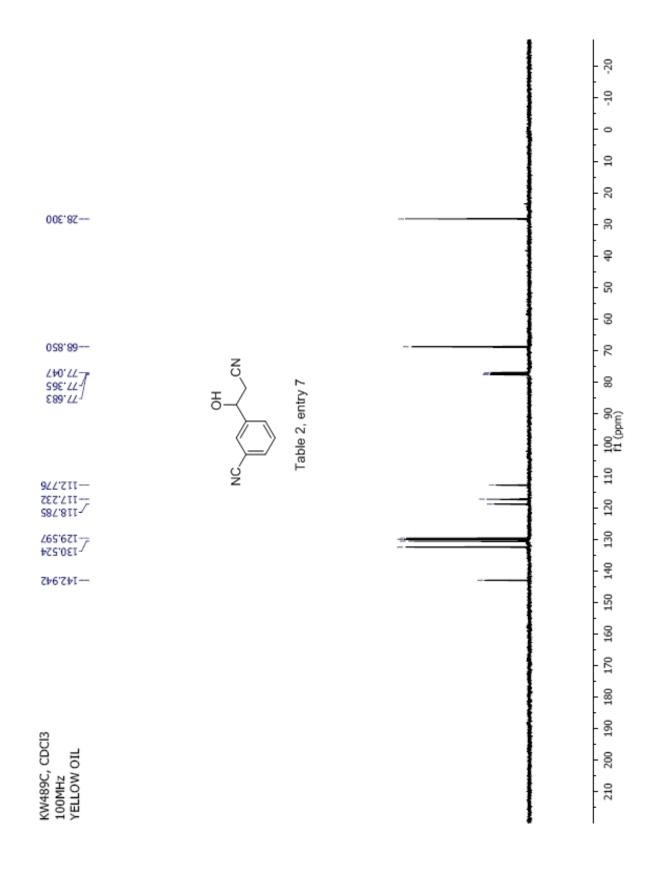












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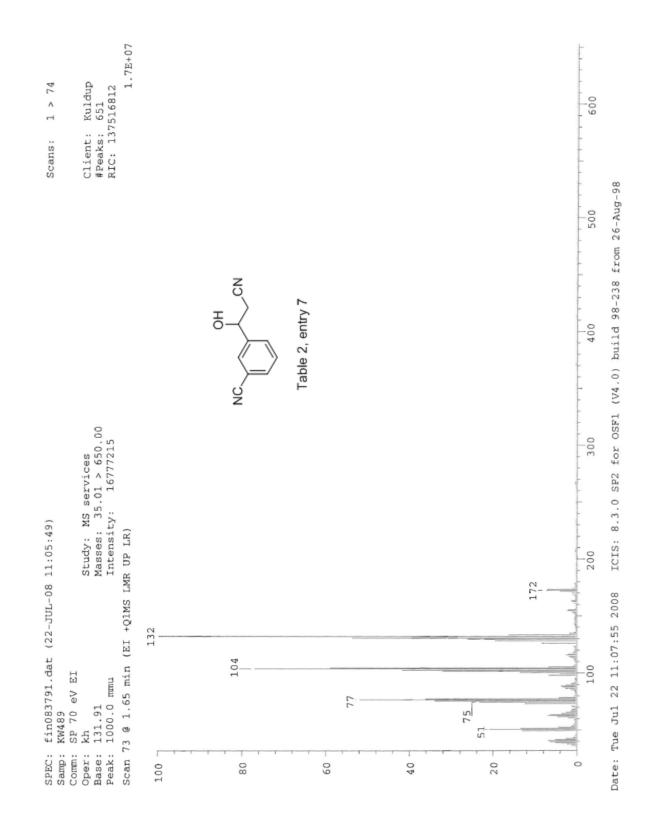
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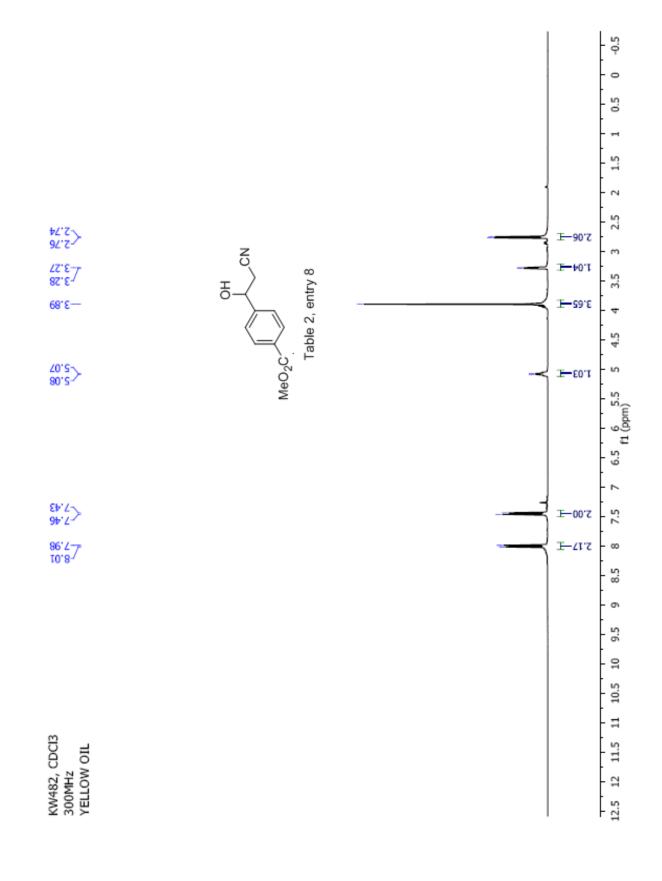
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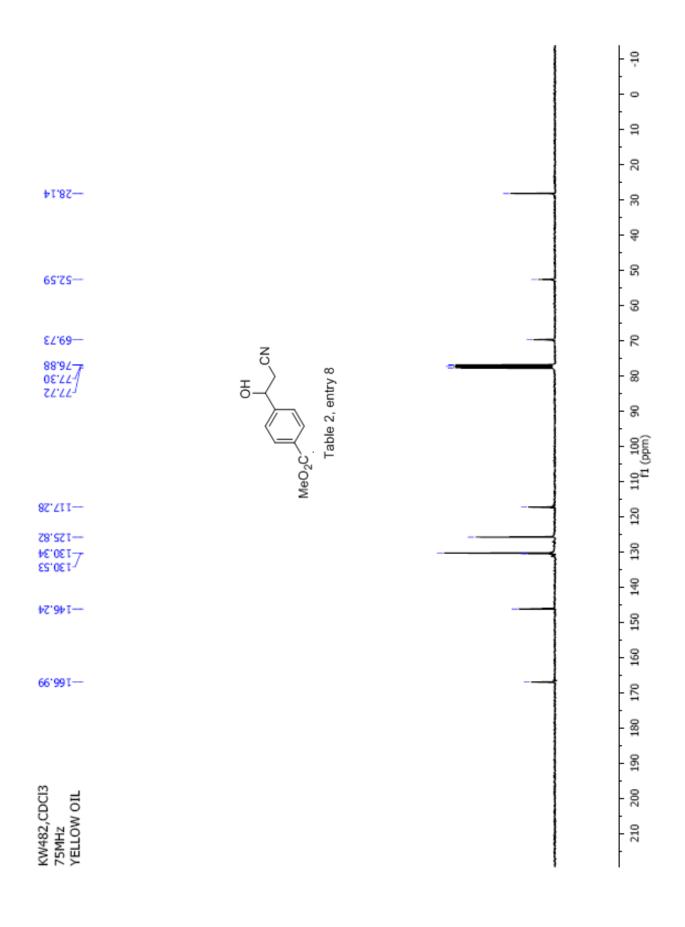
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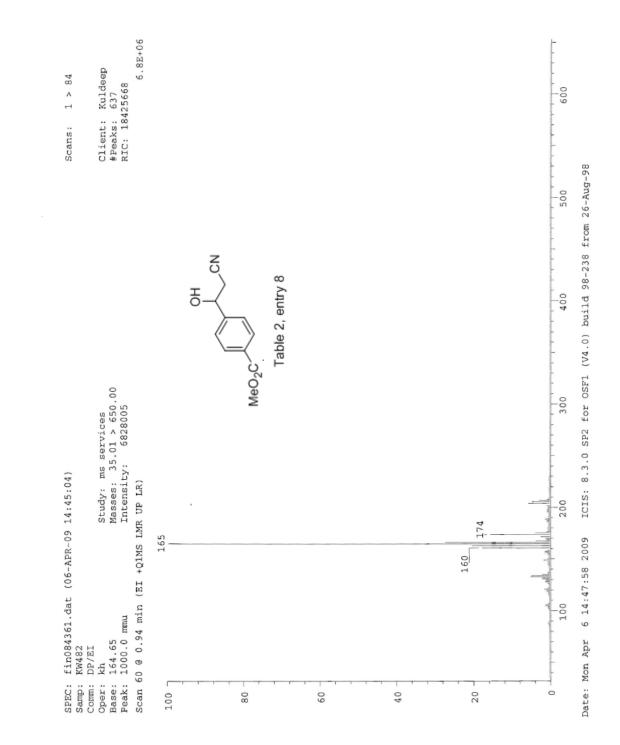
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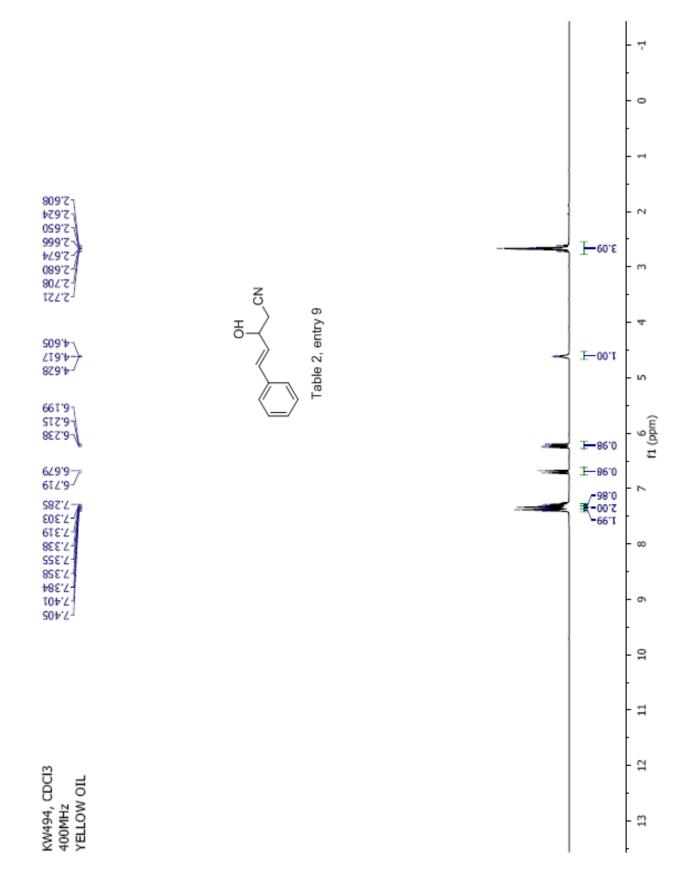
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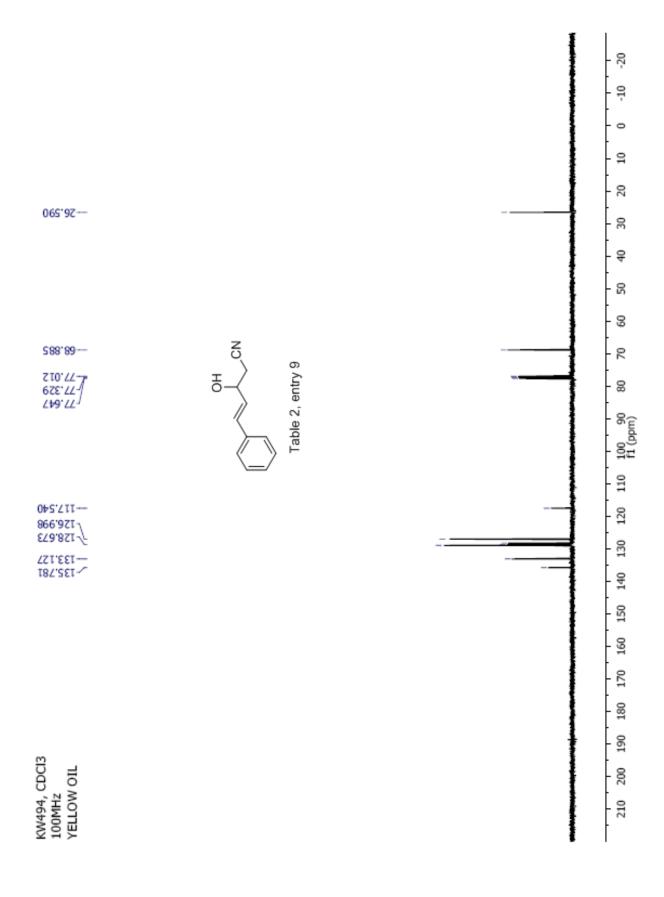
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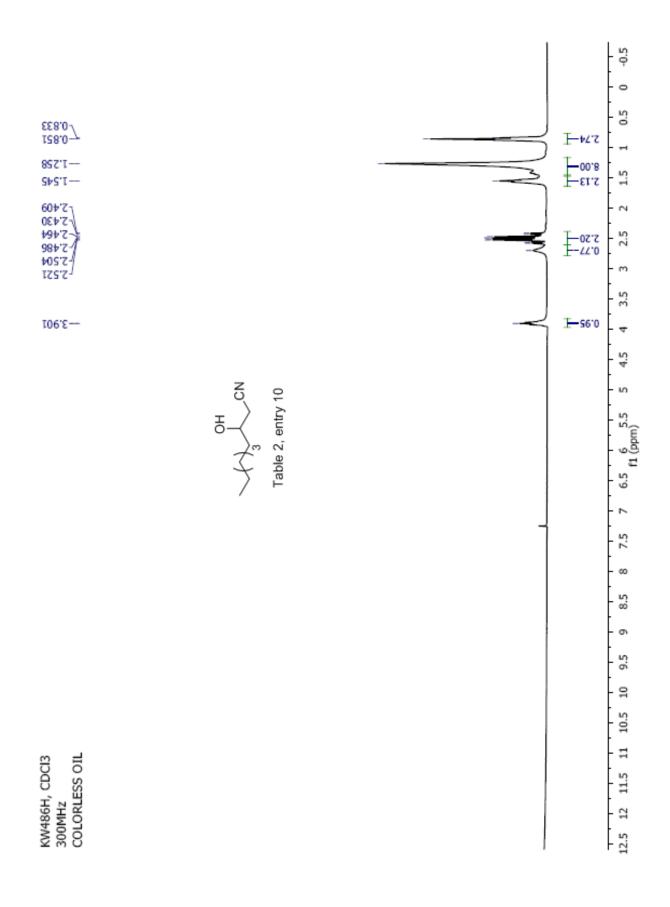
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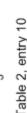


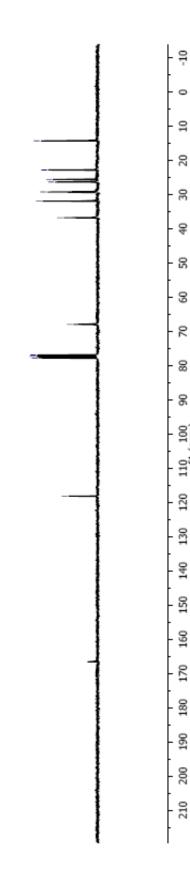


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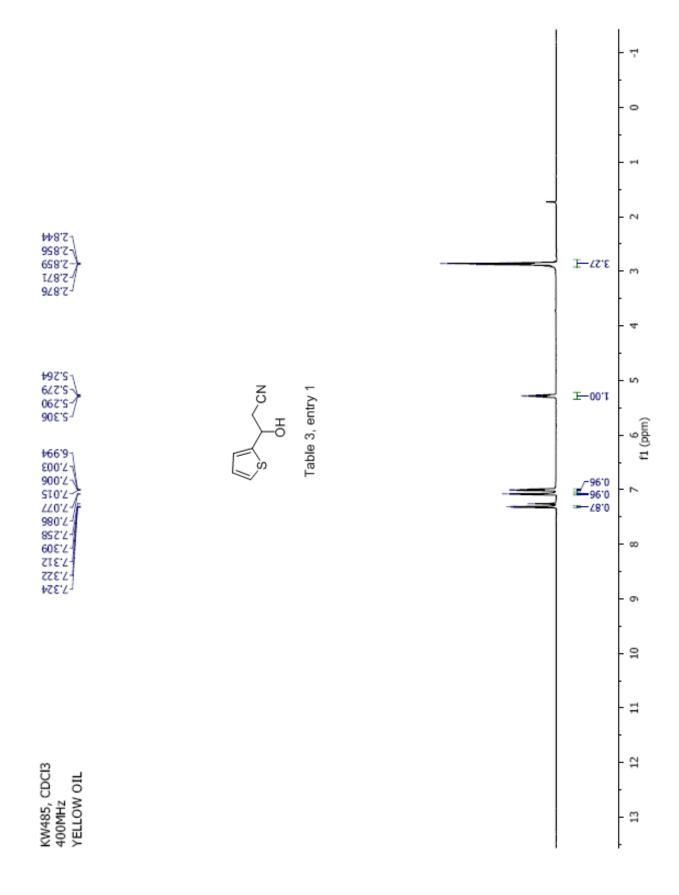
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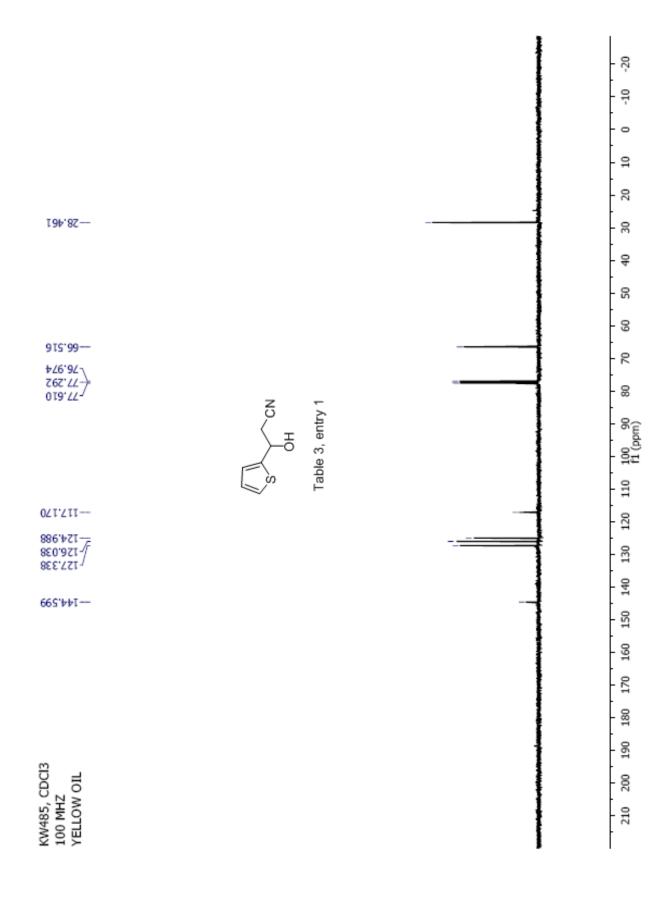
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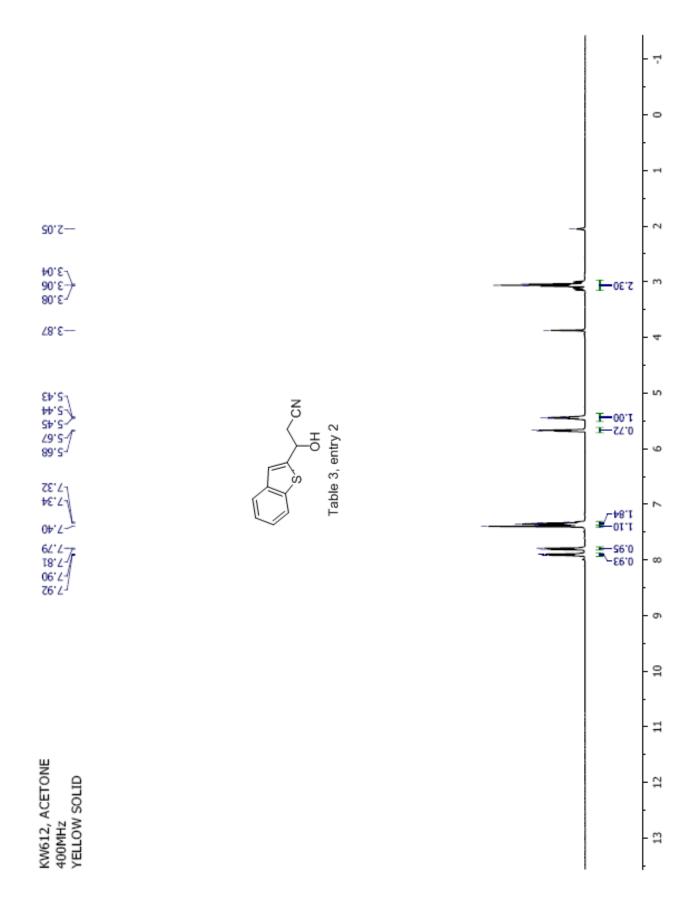
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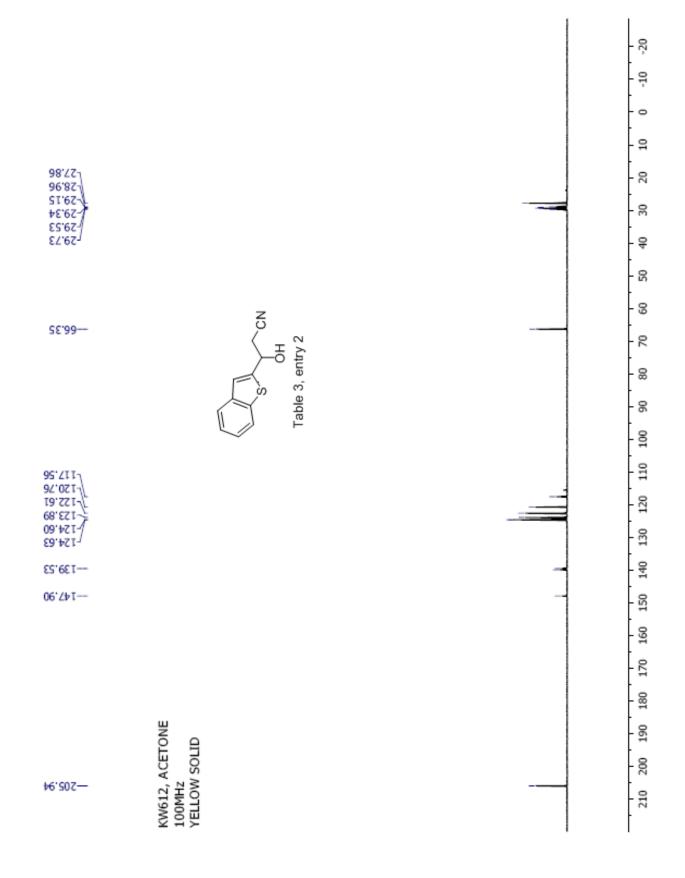
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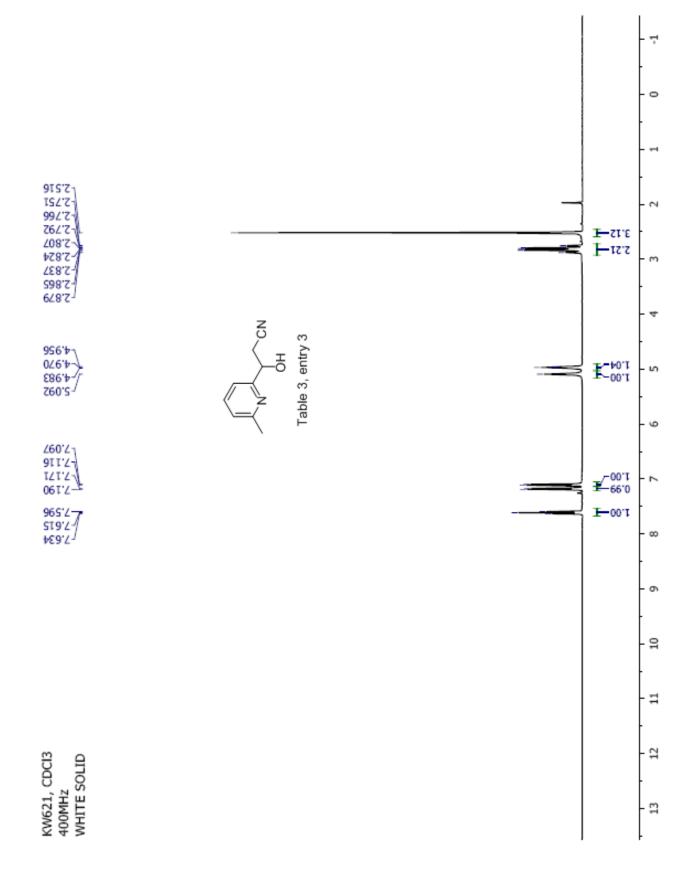
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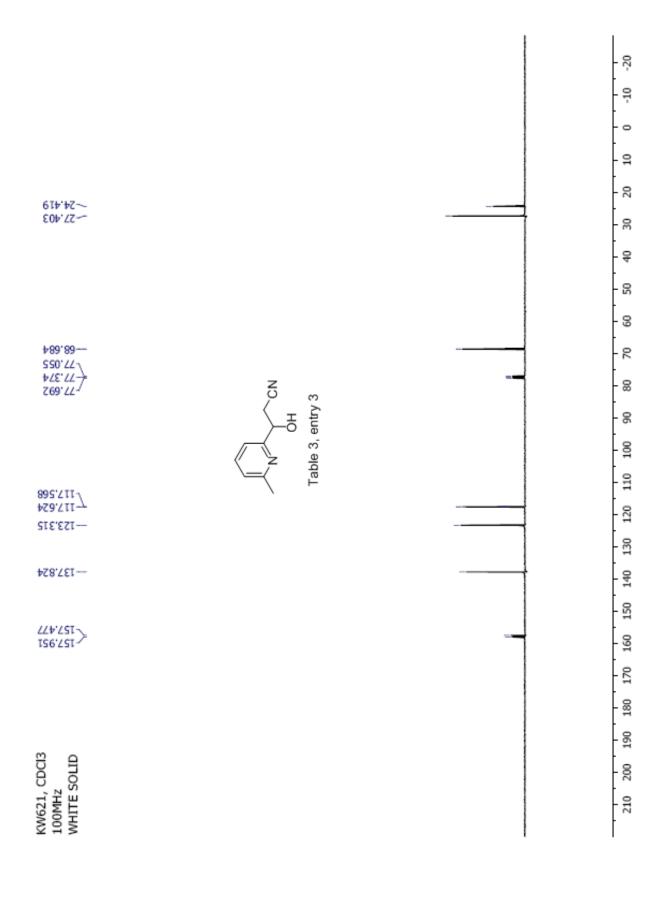










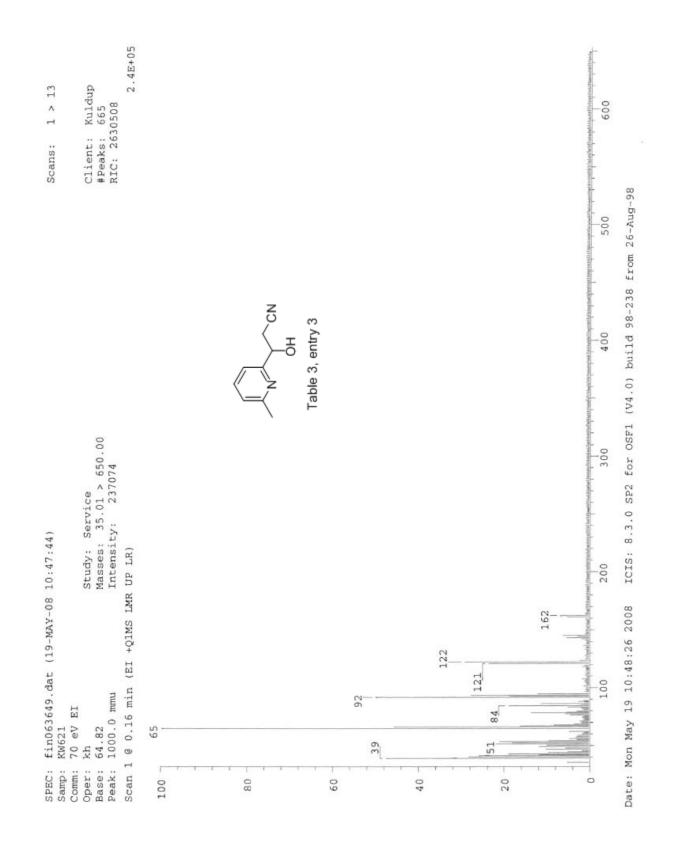


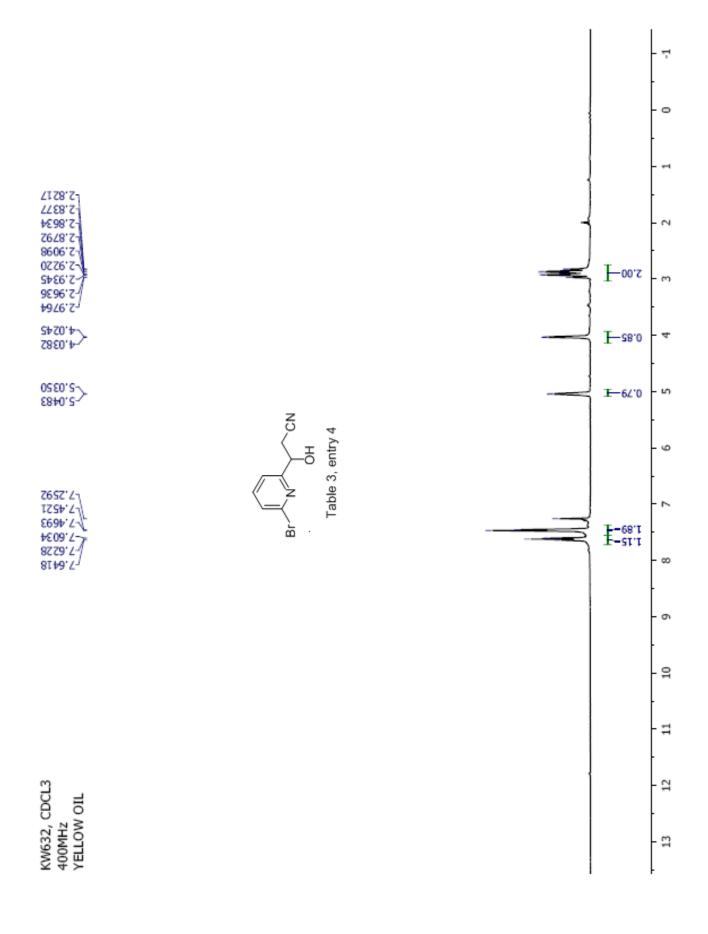
Theoretical mass	Experimental mass	PFK matching mass	Deviation*
162.07931	162.07961	130.99201	1.8 pm

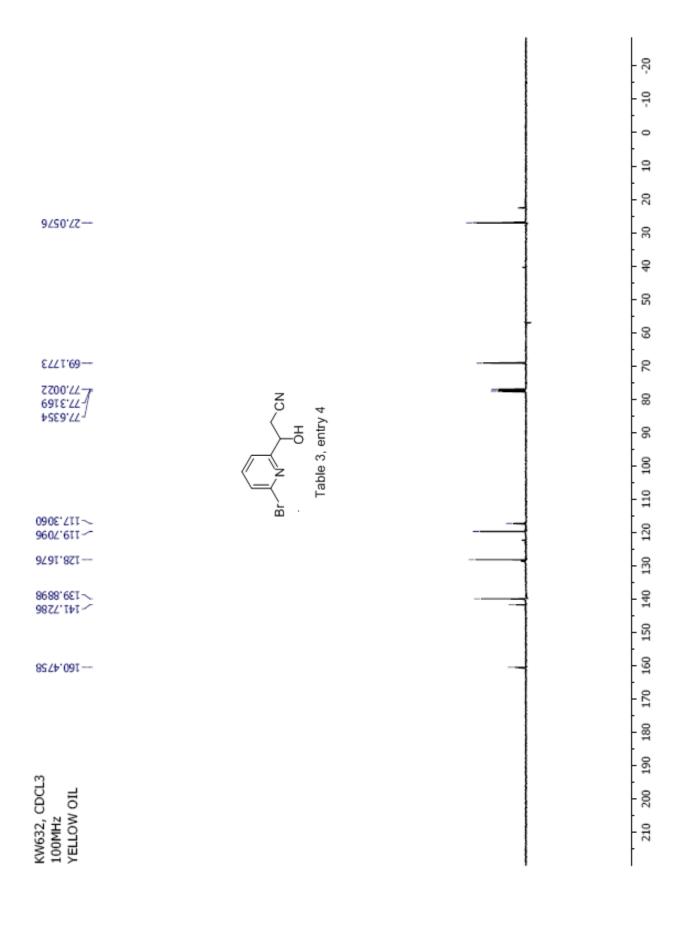
* The deviation is obtained from the following equation:

Where nominal mass takes in account only 12C, 1H, 16O, 14N etc ...

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Theoretical	Experimental	PFK matching	Deviation*
mass	mass	mass	
225.97417	225.97456	213.98562	1.7 mm
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* The deviation is obtained from the following equation:

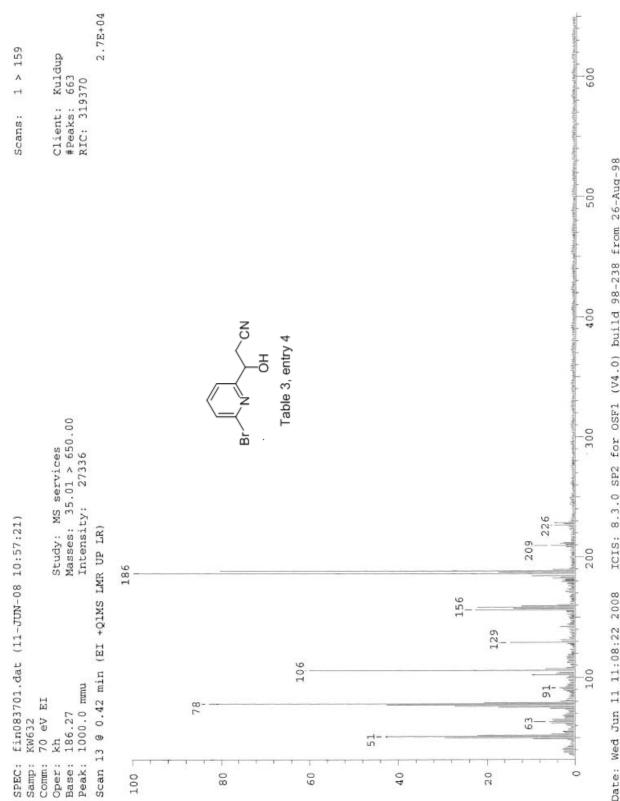
experimental mass - theoretical mass

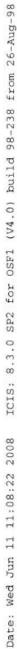
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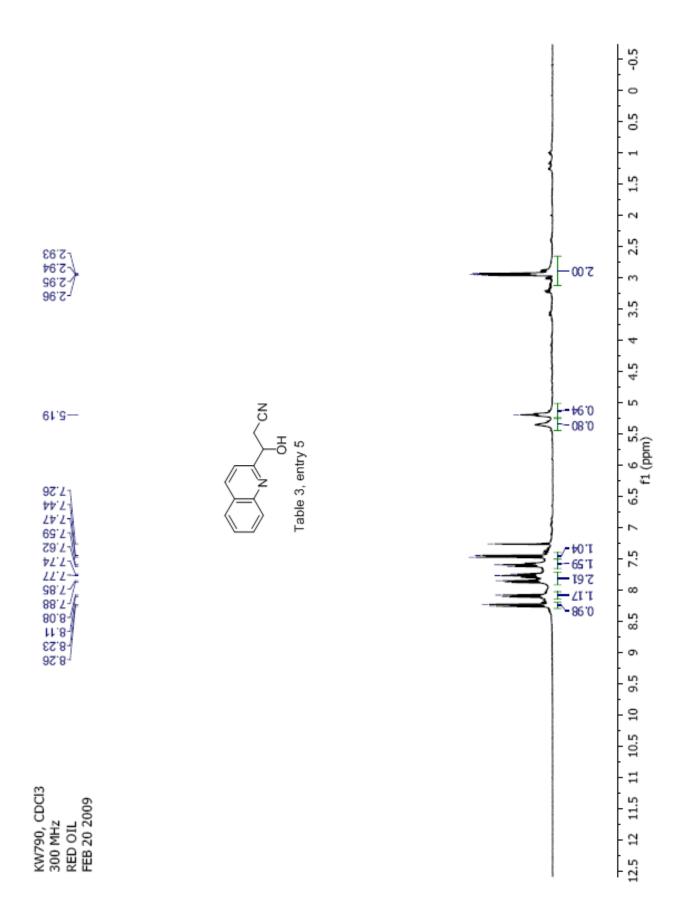
Where nominal mass takes in account only 12C, 1H, 16O, 14N etc ...

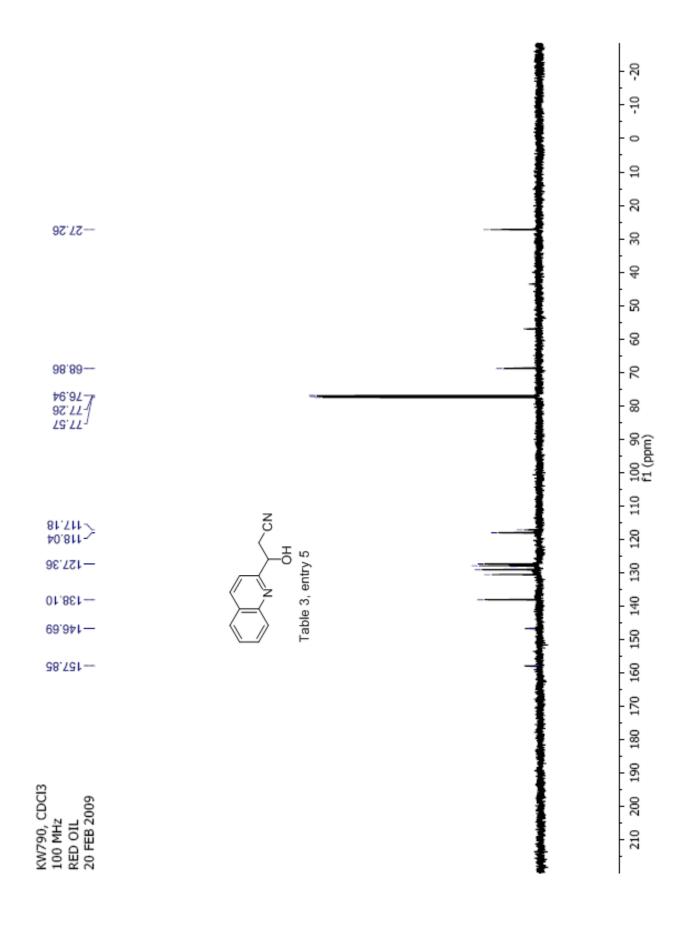
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Theoretical mass	Experimental mass	PFK matching mass	Deviation*
198.07931	198.07973	180,98882	2.1pm

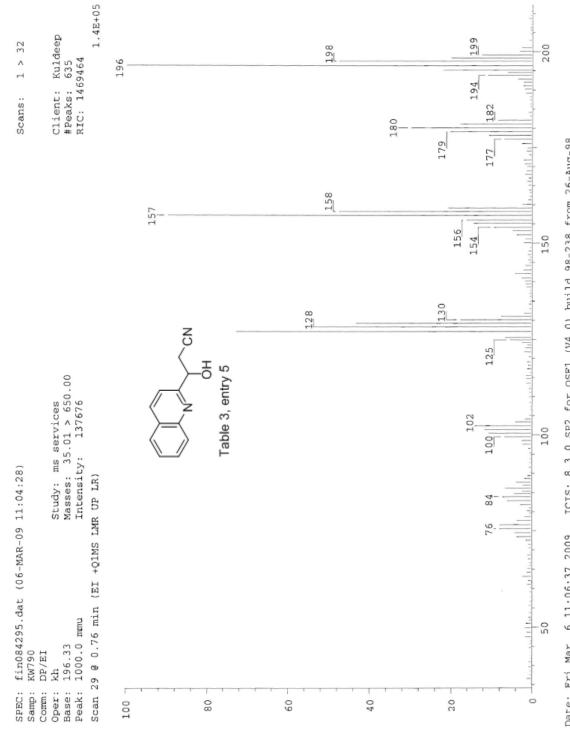
* The deviation is obtained from the following equation:

experimental mass - theoretical mass deviation=-----nominal mass

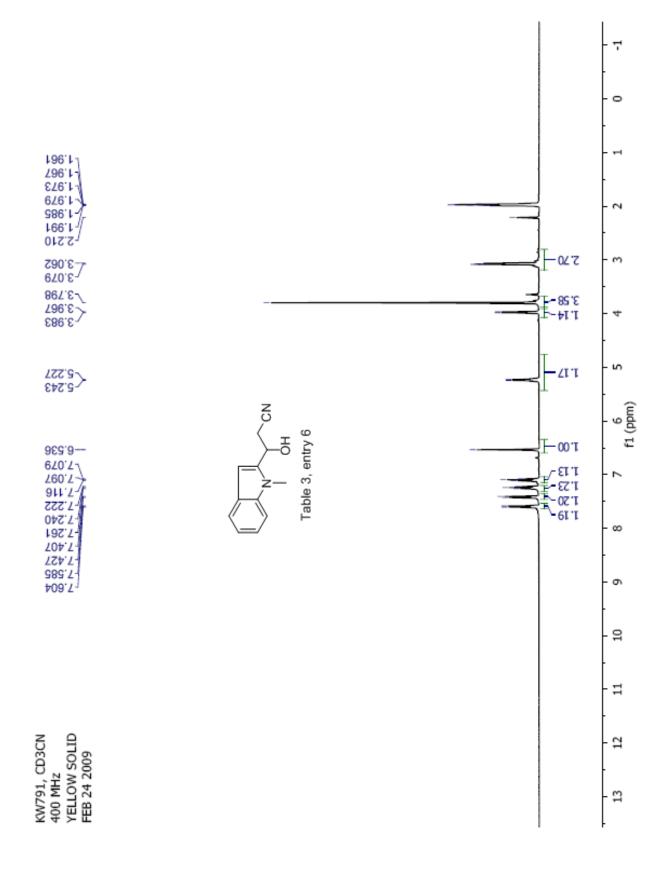
Where nominal mass takes in account only 12C, 1H, 16O, 14N etc...

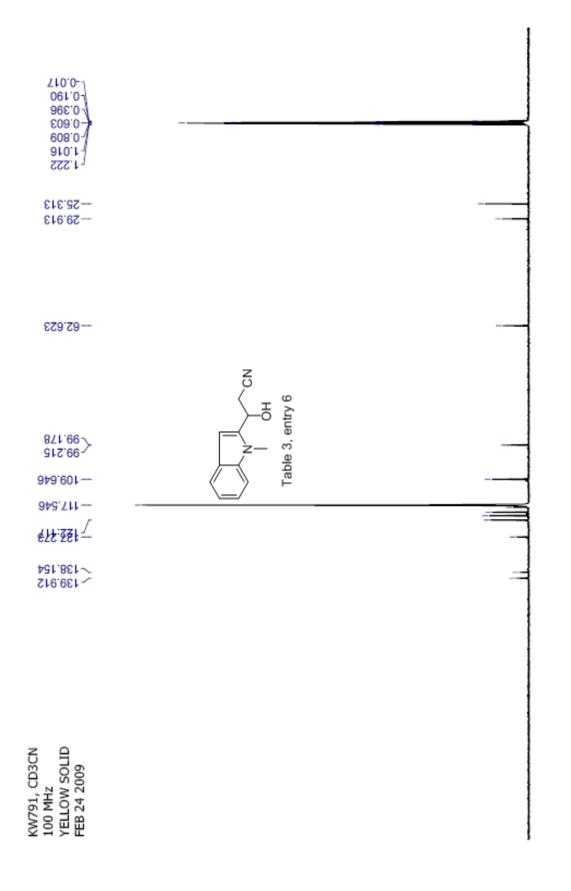
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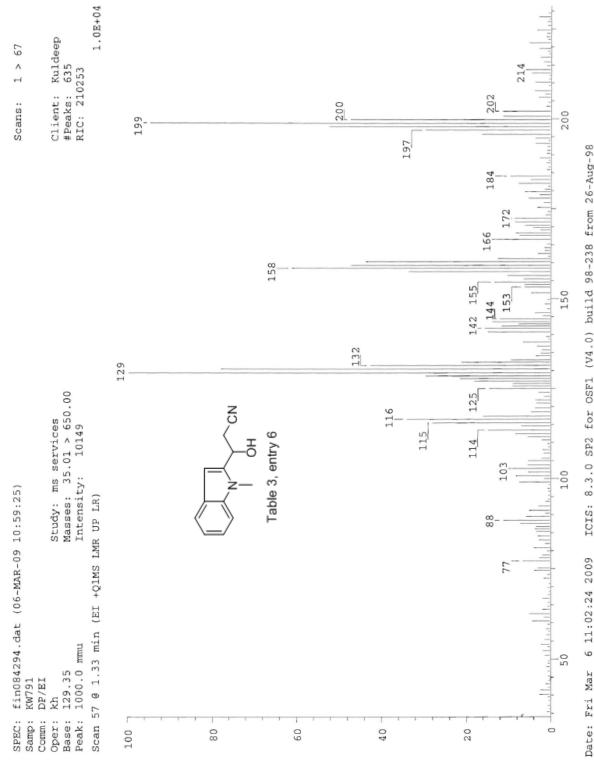
Theoretical mass	Experimental mass	PFK matching mass	Deviation*
200.09496	200.09532	180,98882	1.8 ppm

* The deviation is obtained from the following equation:

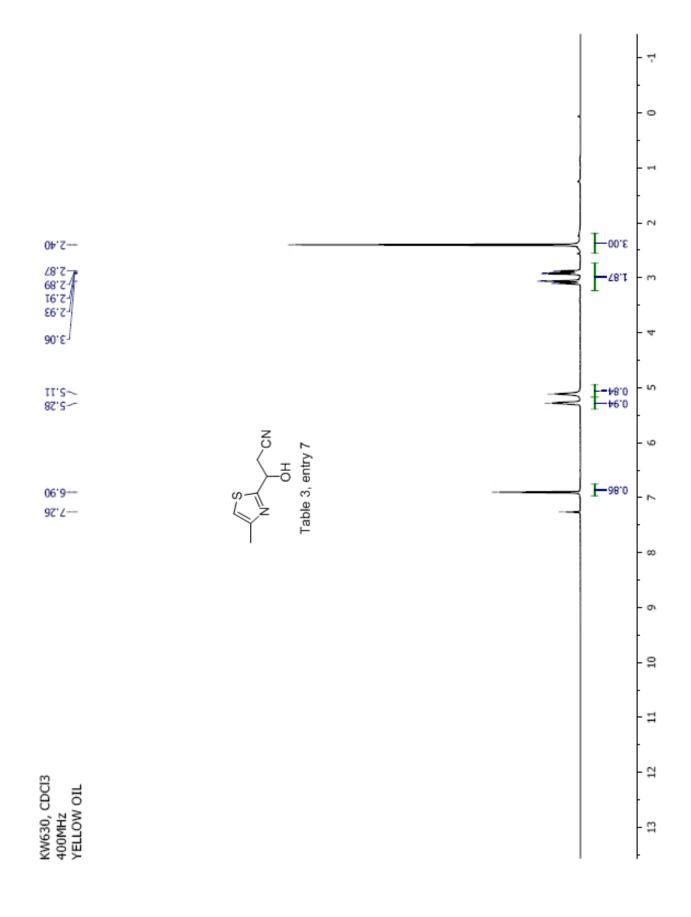
Where nominal mass takes in account only 12C, 1H, 16O, 14N etc...

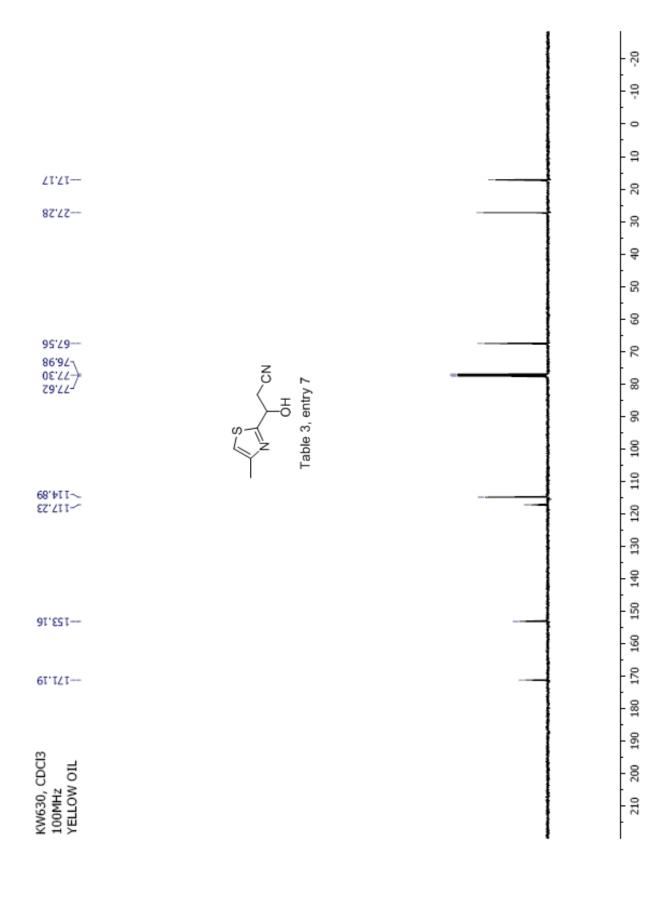
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Table 3, entry 6









Theoretical mass	Experimental mass	PFK matching mass	Deviation*
168.03573	168.03606	130. 99 201	2 pm

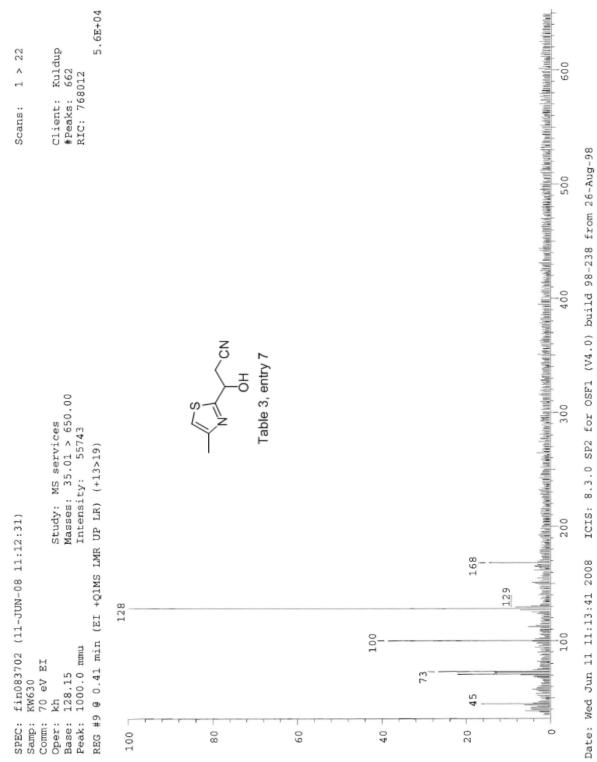
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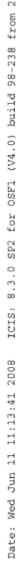
experimental mass - theoretical mass

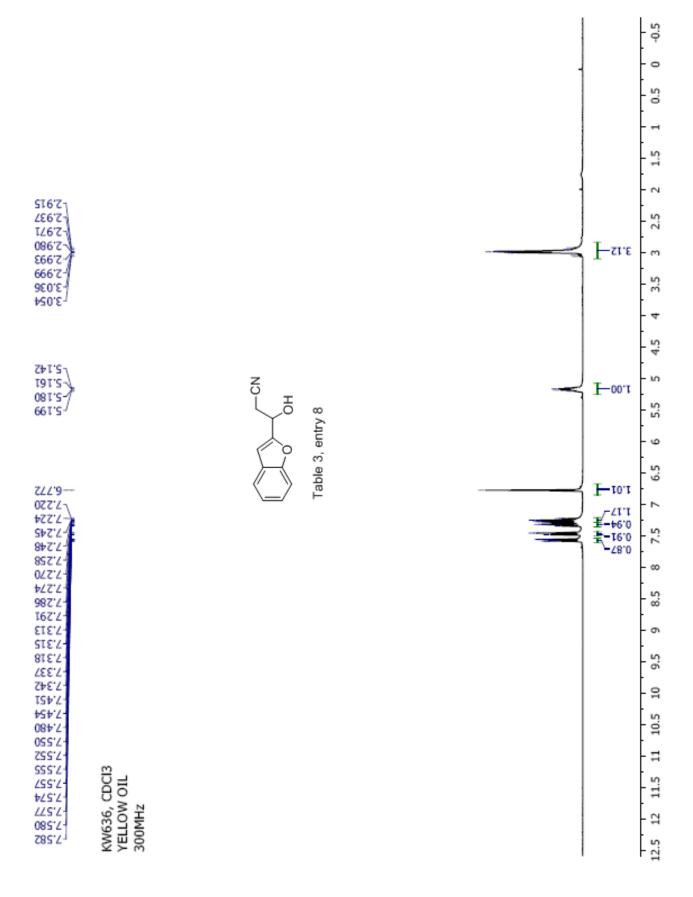
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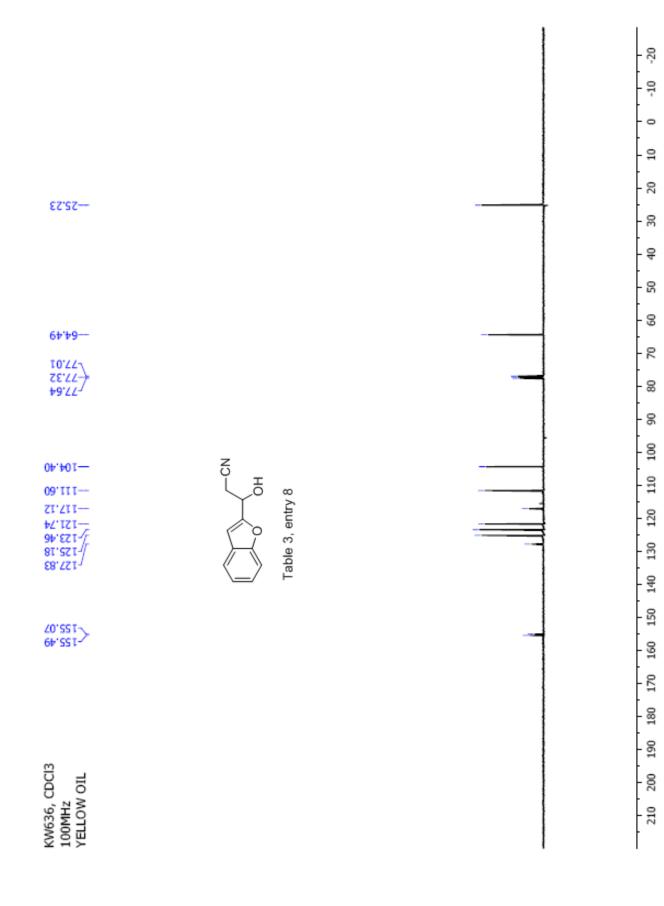
Where nominal mass takes in account only 12C, 1H, 16O, 14N etc ...

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Theoretical mass	Experimental mass	PFK matching mass	Deviation*
187.06333	187.06371	180.98882	2 pm

* The deviation is obtained from the following equation:

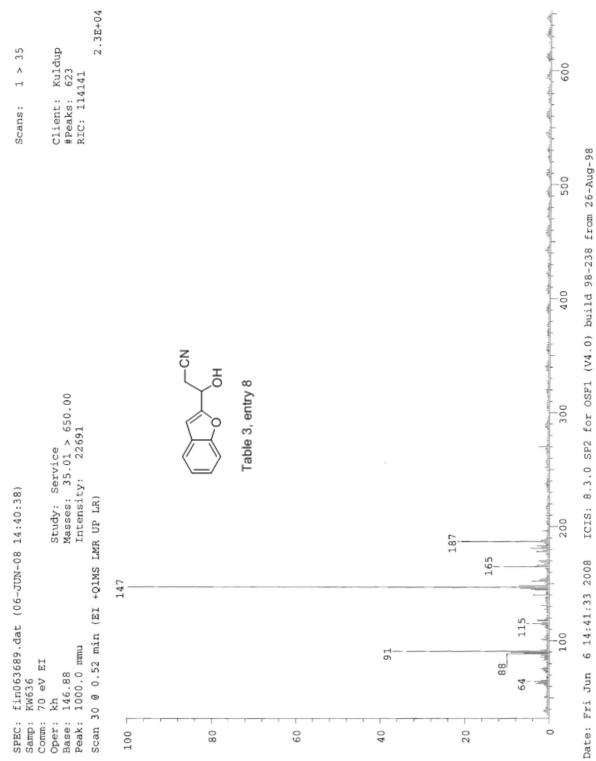
experimental mass - theoretical mass

deviation=-----

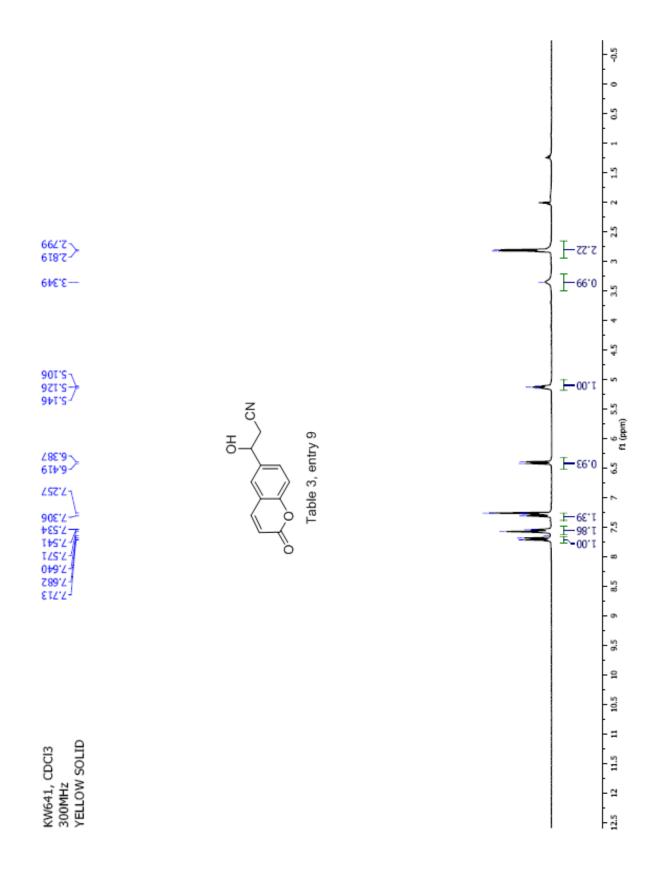
Where nominal mass takes in account only 12C, 1H, 16O, 14N etc ...

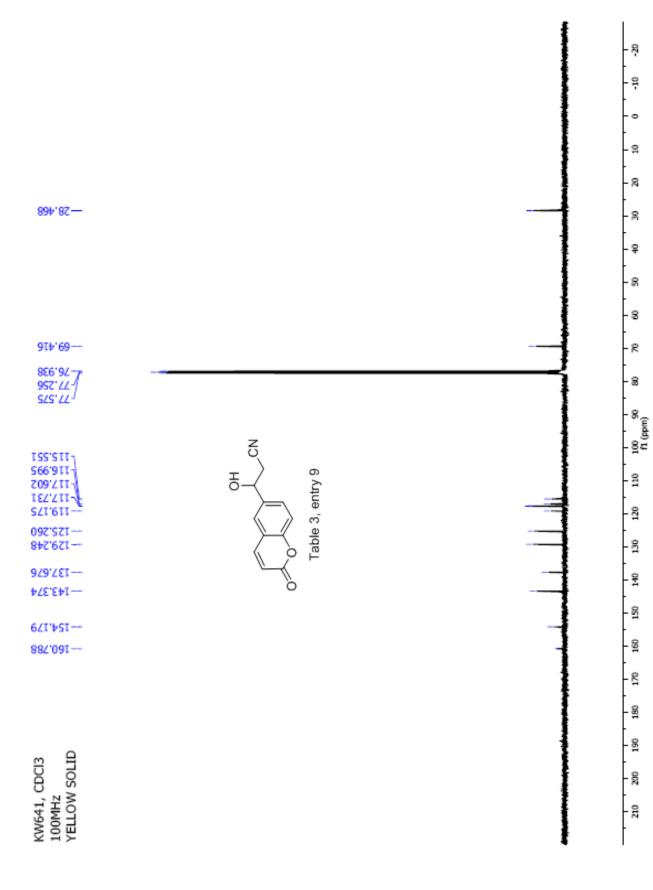
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Table 3, entry 8











Theoretical mass	Experimental mass	PFK matching mass	Deviation*
215.05824	215.05862	180 78882	1.8 pm

* The deviation is obtained from the following equation:

Where nominal mass takes in account only 12C, 1H, 16O, 14N etc ...

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Table 3, entry 9

