

Supporting Information

Palladium-Catalyzed Decarboxylation of Allenyl 3-Oxoalkanoates: An Efficient Synthesis of 3,4-Allenyl Ketones

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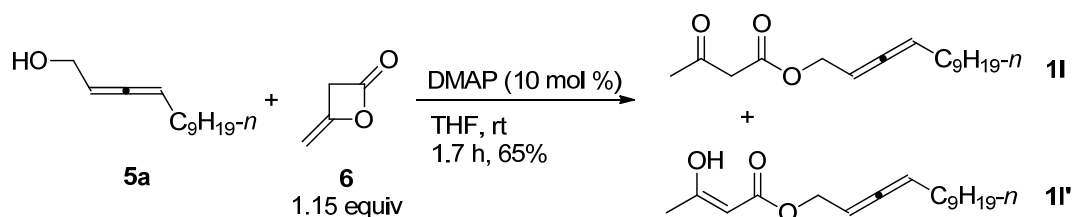
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General Information. All reactions were carried out in oven-dried Schlenk tubes. DPEphos was purchased from Acros. *t*-BuOH was distilled over magnesium turnings with I₂. THF and DME were distilled over sodium wire with diphenyl ketone as the indicator. All the temperatures are referred to the oil baths used. Aged starting materials may cause a lower yield of the products, thus, fresh starting materials are recommended. For the synthesis of the ketoesters **1**, the data of ¹H NMR with * indicate the peaks of the enol form.

1. Synthesis of starting materials **1**

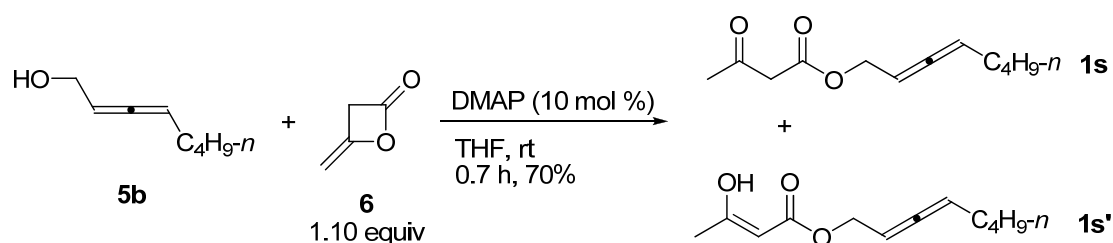
(1) Trideca-2,3-dienyl 3-oxobutanoate (**1**)



Typical Procedure I: To a round-bottomed flask were added sequentially **5a** (1.9600 g, 10.0 mmol), THF (30 mL), **6** (950.0 mg, 11.5 mol), and DMAP (119.1 mg, 1.0 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature. Upon completion as monitored by TLC, the reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃, extracted with Et₂O, and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After filtration, evaporation of the solvent and chromatography on silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20/1) afforded **1** and **1'** (1.8154 g, 65%, ketone : enol = 7.7:1) as a liquid: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.30-5.16 (m, 2 H, HC=C=CH), 4.65-4.51 (m, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.43 (s, 2 H, COCH₂), 2.25 (s, 3 H, COCH₃), 2.06-1.90 (m, 2 H, C=CCH₂), 1.47-1.10 (m,

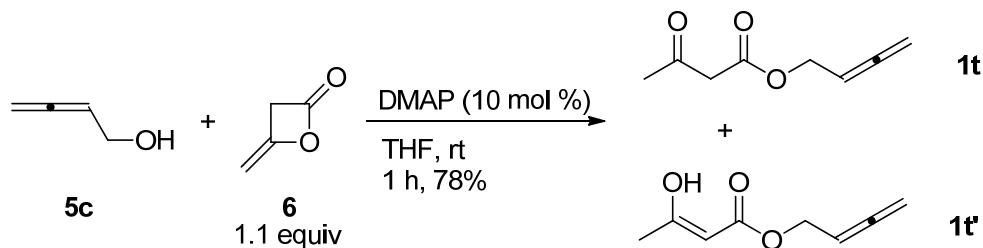
14 H, C₇H₁₄), 0.85 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H, CH₃). The following signals are discernible for **1P'**: δ 12.00* (s, 1 H, OH), 4.97* (s, 1 H, C=CH); IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2926, 2855, 1967, 1747, 1721, 1653, 1456, 1361, 1228, 1151, 1029; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%): 280 (M⁺, 0.80), 43 (100); Anal. Calcd. for C₁₇H₂₈O₃ (%): C 72.82, H 10.06; Found: C 72.83, H 10.19.

(2) Octa-2,3-dienyl 3-oxobutanoate (**1s**)



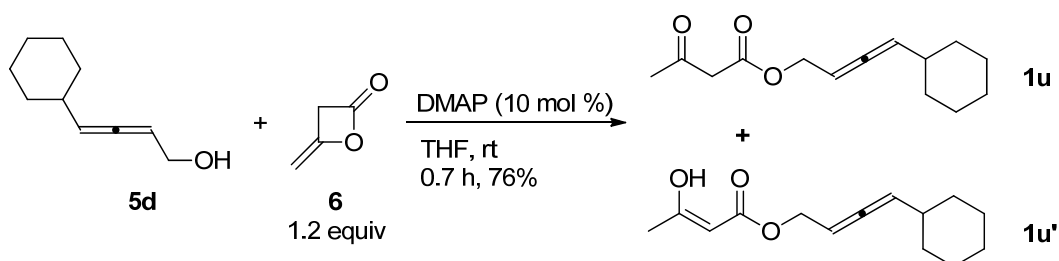
Following the procedure for the preparation of **1I**, the reaction of **5b** (379.3 mg, 3.0 mmol), THF (16 mL), **6** (273.1 mg, 3.3 mol), and DMAP (36.7 mg, 0.3 mmol) afforded **1s** and **1s'** (441.3 mg, 70%, ketone : enol = 9.1:1) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 15/1) as a liquid: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.33-5.16 (m, 2 H, HC=C=CH), 4.67-4.53 (m, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.45 (s, 2 H, COCH₂), 2.27 (s, 3 H, COCH₃), 2.07-1.93 (m, 2 H, C=CCH₂), 1.45-1.19 (m, 4 H, C₂H₄), 0.89 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3 H, CH₃). The following signals are discernible for **1s'**: δ 12.01* (s, 1 H, OH), 4.99* (s, 1 H, C=CH); IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2959, 2931, 2867, 1966, 1747, 1720, 1651, 1451, 1412, 1363, 1315, 1233, 1149, 1028; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%): 192 (M⁺-H₂O, 0.64), 83 (100); Anal. Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₈O₃ (%): C 68.54, H 8.63; Found: C 68.47, H 8.53.

(3) Buta-2,3-dienyl 3-oxobutanoate (**1t**)



Following the procedure for the preparation of **1l**, the reaction of **5c** (1.0524 g, 15.0 mmol), THF (40 mL), **6** (1.3550 g, 16.5 mol), and DMAP (182.1 mg, 1.5 mmol) afforded **1t** and **1t'** (1.8017 g, 78%, ketone : enol = 10:1) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10/1) as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.35-5.22 (m, 1 H, $\text{CH}=\text{C}=\text{C}$), 4.89-4.80 (m, 2 H, $\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$), 4.67-4.56 (m, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.45 (s, 2 H, COCH_2), 2.25 (s, 3 H, CH_3). The following signals are discernible for **1t'**: δ 11.96* (s, 1 H, OH), 4.98* (s, 1 H, $\text{C}=\text{CH}$), 1.94* (s, 3 H, CH_3); IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2956, 1958, 1746, 1721, 1652, 1440, 1411, 1361, 1313, 1269, 1150, 1030; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 111 ($\text{M}^+ - \text{COCH}_3$, 1.18), 43 (100); Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{10}\text{O}_3$ (%): C 62.33, H 6.54; Found: C 62.12, H 6.61.

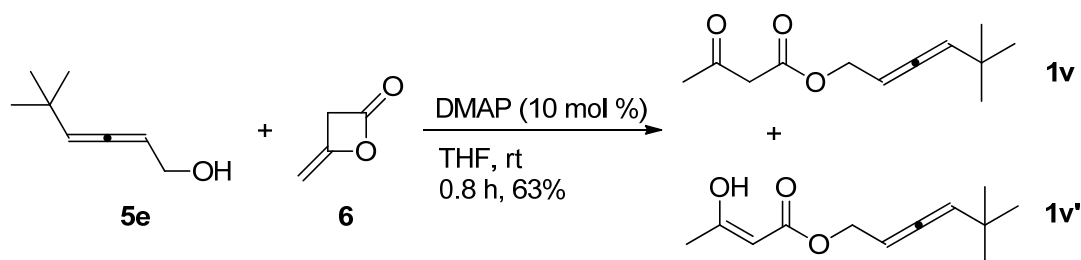
(4) 4-Cyclohexylbuta-2,3-dienyl 3-oxobutanoate (**1u**)



Following the procedure for the preparation of **1l**, the reaction of **5d** (2.7050 g, 17.7 mmol), THF (50 mL), **6** (1.7541 g, 21.3 mol), and DMAP (216.7 mg, 1.77 mmol) afforded **1u** and **1u'** (3.1713 g, 76%, ketone : enol = 10:1) (eluent: petroleum

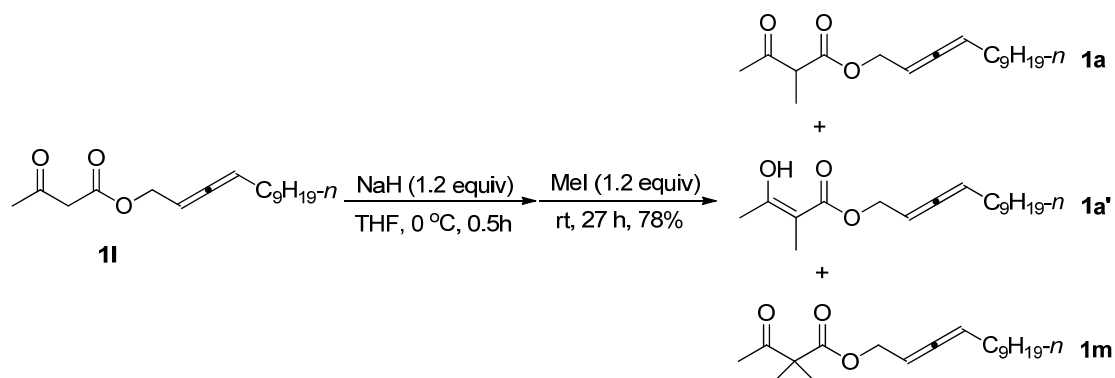
ether/ethyl ether = 10/1) as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.34-5.20 (m, 2 H, $\text{HC}=\text{C}=\text{CH}$), 4.67-4.53 (m, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.45 (s, 2 H, CH_2), 2.26 (s, 3 H, CH_3), 2.06-1.92 (m, 1 H, $\text{C}=\text{CCH}$), 1.80-1.55 (m, 5 H), 1.35-0.98 (m, 5 H). The following signals are discernible for **1u'**: δ 12.02* (s, 1 H, OH), 4.99* (s, 1 H, $\text{C}=\text{CH}$); IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2926, 2852, 1963, 1745, 1720, 1651, 1448, 1411, 1362, 1314, 1267, 1230, 1149, 1028; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 151 ($\text{M}^+ - \text{C}_4\text{H}_5\text{O}_2$, 10.24), 43 (100); Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_3$ (%): C 71.16, H 8.53; Found: C 71.37, H 8.72.

(5) 5,5-Dimethylhexa-2,3-dienyl 3-oxobutanoate (1v)



Following the procedure for the preparation of **1l**, the reaction of **5e** (2.0462 g, 16.2 mmol), THF (50 mL), **6** (1.4625 g, 17.8 mol), and DMAP (198.1 mg, 1.62 mmol) afforded **1v** and **1v'** (2.1488 g, 63%, ketone : enol = 8.3:1) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 10/1) as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.34-5.21 (m, 2 H, $\text{HC}=\text{C}=\text{CH}$), 4.67-4.52 (m, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.45 (s, 2 H, COCH_2), 2.26 (s, 3 H, COCH_3), 1.03 (s, 9 H, $3 \times \text{CH}_3$). The following signals are discernible for **1v'**: δ 12.02* (s, 1 H, OH), 4.99* (s, 1 H, $\text{C}=\text{CH}$), 1.94* (s, 3 H, $\text{C}=\text{CCH}_3$); IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2961, 2905, 2868, 1964, 1746, 1721, 1651, 1457, 1412, 1362, 1315, 1255, 1149, 1028; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 210 (M^+ , 1.52), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_3$ (M^+): 210.1256; Found: 210.1257.

(6) Trideca-2,3-dienyl 2-methyl-3-oxobutanoate (1a) and trideca-2,3-dienyl 2,2-dimethyl-3-oxobutanoate (1m)



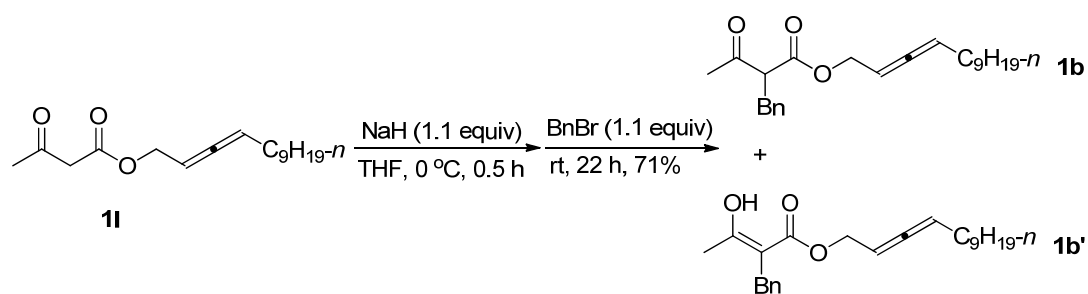
Typical Procedure II: To a suspension of NaH (60% in mineral oil, 145.0 mg, 3.6 mol) in THF (4 mL) was added **11** (836.3 mg, 3.0 mmol) at 0 °C and the reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at 0 °C. To the resulting mixture was added MeI (0.23 mL, d = 2.28 g/mL, 524.4 mg, 3.6 mol). The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to room temperature and stirred for 27 h. The reaction was quenched with saturated NaCl, extracted with Et₂O, and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After filtration, evaporation of the solvent and chromatography on silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 50/1) afforded **1a/1a'** (681.5 mg, 78%, ketone : enol = 10.7:1) and **1m** (155.8 mg, 17%).

1a and **1a'**: liquid; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.32-5.16 (m, 2 H, HC=C=CH), 4.67-4.52 (m, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.51 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H, CH), 2.24 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.06-1.93 (m, 2 H, C=CCH₂), 1.47-1.17 (m, 17 H, CH₃ and C₇H₁₄), 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H, CH₃). The following signals are discernible for **1a'**: δ 12.61* (s, 1 H, OH), 1.75* (s, 3 H, CH₃); IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2926, 2855, 1963, 1746, 1720, 1457, 1377, 1359, 1325, 1239, 1194, 1153; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%): 195 (M⁺-C₅H₇O₂, 5.31), 43 (100); Anal.

Calcd. for C₁₈H₃₀O₃ (%): C 73.43, H 10.27; Found: C 73.60, H 10.35.

1m: liquid; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.33-5.17 (m, 2 H, HC=C=CH), 4.66-4.53 (m, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.16 (s, 3 H, COCH₃), 2.05-1.94 (m, 2 H, C=CCH₂), 1.45-1.20 (m, 20 H, 2×CH₃ and C₇H₁₄), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.62, 205.56, 173.2, 93.1, 86.3, 63.6, 55.6, 31.8, 29.5, 29.4, 29.2, 29.0, 28.8, 28.2, 25.7, 22.6, 21.78, 21.76, 14.0; IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2926, 2855, 1965, 1717, 1466, 1264, 1152, 1116; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%): 195 (M⁺-C₆H₉O₂, 12.21), 85 (100); Anal. Calcd. for C₁₉H₃₂O₃ (%): C 73.98, H 10.46; Found: C 74.29, H 10.41.

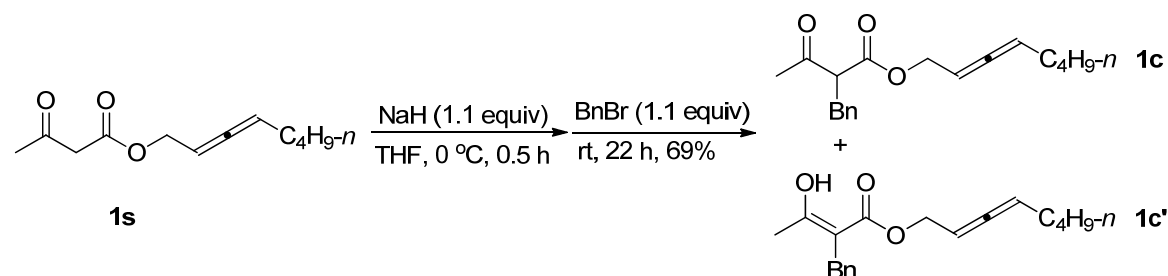
(7) Trideca-2,3-dienyl 2-benzyl-3-oxobutanoate (1b)



Following the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, the reaction of NaH (60% in mineral oil, 88.1 mg, 2.2 mol), THF (4 mL), **1l** (561.3 mg, 2.0 mmol), and BnBr (376.4 mg, 2.2 mol, ketone : enol = 10.3:1) afforded **1b** and **1b'** (531.3 mg, 71%) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 50/1) as a liquid: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.33-7.12 (m, 5 H, Ar-H), 5.32-5.11 (m, 2 H, HC=C=CH), 4.63-4.48 (m, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.79 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1 H, CH), 3.17 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2 H, CH₂ of Bn), 2.19 (s, 3 H, COCH₃), 2.07-1.93 (m, 2 H, C=CCH₂), 1.48-1.17 (m, 14 H, C₇H₁₄), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H, CH₃). The following signals are discernible for **1b'**: δ 12.89* (s, 1 H, OH), 3.59* (s, 2 H, CH₂); IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2926, 2854, 1965, 1745, 1719, 1456, 1361, 1207, 1143; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%): 370 (M⁺, 0.50), 195 (M⁺-C₁₁H₁₁O₂, 1.73), 175 (100);

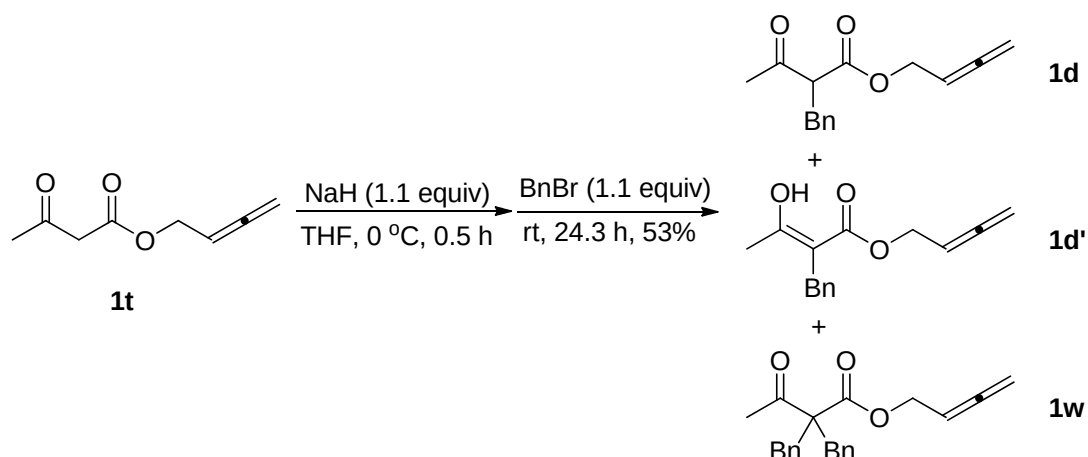
HRMS Calcd for $C_{24}H_{34}O_3$ (M^+): 370.2508, Found: 370.2498. Anal. Calcd. for $C_{24}H_{34}O_3$ (%): C 77.80, H 9.25; Found: C 77.37, H 9.37.

(8) Octa-2,3-dienyl 2-benzyl-3-oxobutanoate (1c)



Following the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, the reaction of NaH (60% in mineral oil, 88.6 mg, 2.2 mol), THF (4 mL), **1s** (418.7 mg, 2.0 mmol), and BnBr (377.2 mg, 2.2 mol) afforded **1c** and **1c'** (412.7 mg, 69%, ketone : enol = 13.3:1) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 50/1) as a liquid: 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.33-7.13 (m, 5 H, Ar-H), 5.32-5.11 (m, 2 H, HC=C=CH), 4.63-4.48 (m, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.80 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1 H, CH), 3.17 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.19 (s, 3 H, COCH₃), 2.07-1.93 (m, 2 H, C=CCH₂), 1.45-1.23 (m, 4 H, C₂H₄), 0.90 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, CH₃). The following signals are discernible for **1c'**: δ 12.90* (s, 1 H, OH), 3.59* (s, 2 H, CH₂); IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2958, 2930, 2865, 1965, 1744, 1719, 1645, 1607, 1496, 1451, 1361, 1243, 1210, 1143; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 300 (M^+ , 1.20), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $C_{19}H_{24}O_3$ (M^+): 300.1725; Found: 300.1729.

(9) Buta-2,3-dienyl 2-benzyl-3-oxobutanoate (1d) and buta-2,3-dienyl 2,2-dibenzyl-3-oxobutanoate (1w)



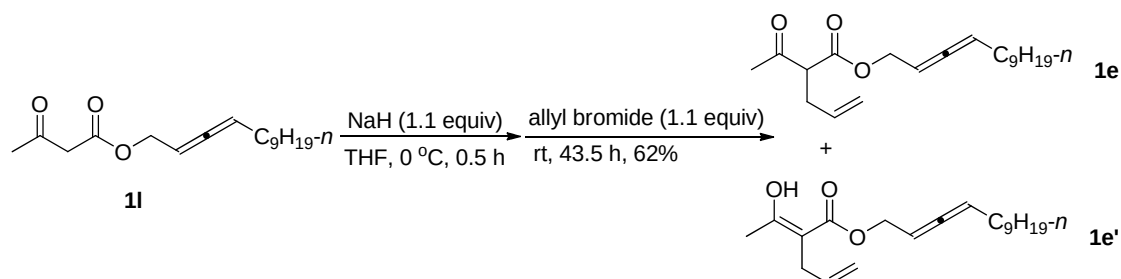
Following the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, the reaction of NaH (60% in mineral oil, 236.1 mg, 5.87 mol), THF (4 mL), **1t** (754.1 mg, 4.89 mmol) and BnBr (915.0 mg, 5.38 mol) afforded **1d** and **1d'** (627.8 mg, 53%, ketone : enol = 16.7:1) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 50/1) and **1w** (306.7 mg, 19%).

1d and **1d'**: liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.32-7.12 (m, 5 H, Ar-H), 5.30-5.12 (m, 1 H, $\text{HC}=\text{C}=\text{C}$), 4.89-4.77 (m, 2 H, $\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$), 4.67-4.49 (m, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.80 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1 H, CH), 3.17 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2 of Bn), 2.19 (s, 3 H, CH_3). The following signals are discernible for **1d'**: δ 12.86* (s, 1 H, OH), 3.59* (s, 2 H, CH_2), 2.04* (s, 3 H, CH_3); IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2936, 1958, 1743, 1717, 1645, 1606, 1496, 1448, 1358, 1209, 1145; MS (70 eV, EI) m/z (%): 244 (M^+ , 3.26), 131 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_3$ (M^+): 244.1099; Found: 244.1100.

1w: liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.32-7.18 (m, 6 H, Ar-H), 7.18-7.09 (m, 4 H, Ar-H), 5.23-5.12 (m, 1 H, $\text{HC}=\text{C}=\text{C}$), 4.87-4.82 (m, 2 H, $\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$), 4.58-4.52 (m, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.22 (s, 4 H, $2\times\text{CH}_2$), 1.96 (s, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 210.1, 205.5, 171.4, 136.2, 130.1, 128.3, 126.9, 85.5, 76.7, 66.1, 63.0, 39.8, 29.2; IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 3063, 3031, 2932, 1957, 1740, 1710, 1603, 1495, 1449, 1355, 1265, 1229, 1182, 1085; MS (70 eV, EI) m/z (%): 334 (M^+ , 1.96), 91 (100); HRMS

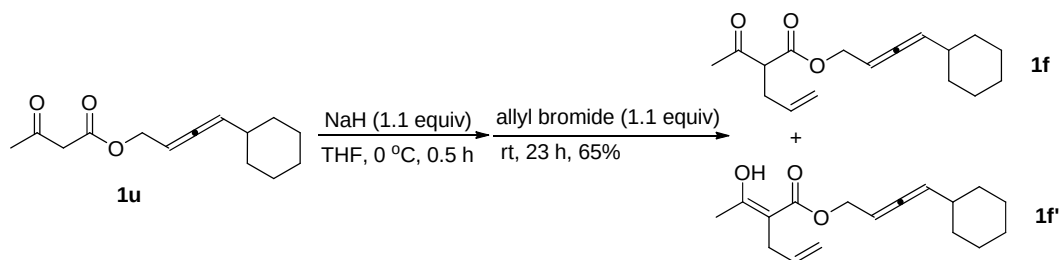
Calcd for C₂₂H₂₂O₃ (M⁺): 334.1569; Found: 334.1567.

(10) Trideca-2,3-dienyl 2-acetylpent-4-enoate (1e)



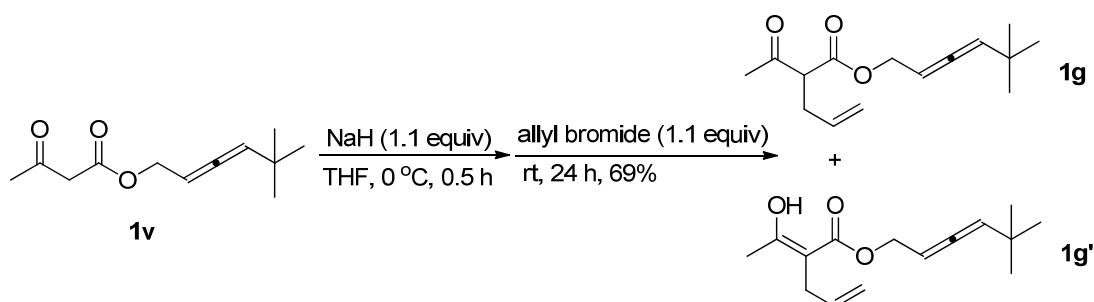
Following the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, the reaction of NaH (60% in mineral oil, 88.7 mg, 2.2 mol), THF (4 mL), **1l** (562.2 mg, 2.0 mmol), and allyl bromide (266.7 mg, 2.2 mol) afforded **1e** and **1e'** (399.6 mg, 62%, ketone : enol = 9.6:1) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 50/1) as a liquid: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.87-5.67 (m, 1 H), 5.32-5.17 (m, 2 H), 5.15-4.92 (m, 2 H), 4.67-4.52 (m, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.52 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H, CH), 2.58 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.22 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.08-1.91 (m, 2 H, C=C=CCH₂), 1.48-1.13 (m, 14 H, C₇H₁₄), 0.86 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 3 H, CH₃). The following signals are discernible for **1e'**: δ 12.74* (s, 1 H, OH), 2.92* (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 2 H, CH₂ of allyl); IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2927, 2855, 1966, 1745, 1720, 1644, 1443, 1361, 1239, 1147; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%): 195 (M⁺-C₇H₉O₂, 3.10), 43 (100); Anal. Calcd. for C₂₀H₃₂O₃ (%): C 74.96, H 10.06; Found: C 75.02, H 10.24.

(11) 4-Cyclohexylbuta-2,3-dienyl 2-acetylpent-4-enoate (1f)



Following the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, the reaction of NaH (60% in mineral oil, 132.5 mg, 3.3 mol), THF (6 mL), **1u** (708.5 mg, 3.0 mmol), and allyl bromide (399.7 mg, 3.3 mol) afforded **1f** and **1f'** (538.6 mg, 65%, ketone : enol = 13.8:1) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 60/1) as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.85-5.65 (m, 1 H), 5.32-5.20 (m, 2 H), 5.13-4.91 (m, 2 H), 4.66-4.52 (m, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.52 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1 H, CH), 2.58 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2 of allyl), 2.22 (s, 3 H, CH_3), 2.05-1.90 (m, 1 H, $\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{CCH}$), 1.79-1.55 (m, 5 H), 1.35-0.98 (m, 5 H). The following signals are discernible for **1f'**: δ 12.75* (s, 1 H, OH), 2.93* (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2 of allyl); IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2926, 2852, 1964, 1744, 1718, 1643, 1446, 1360, 1330, 1229, 1183, 1149; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 151 ($\text{M}^+ - \text{C}_7\text{H}_9\text{O}_2$, 5.67), 43 (100); Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}_3$ (%): C 73.88, H 8.75; Found: C 74.18, H 8.80.

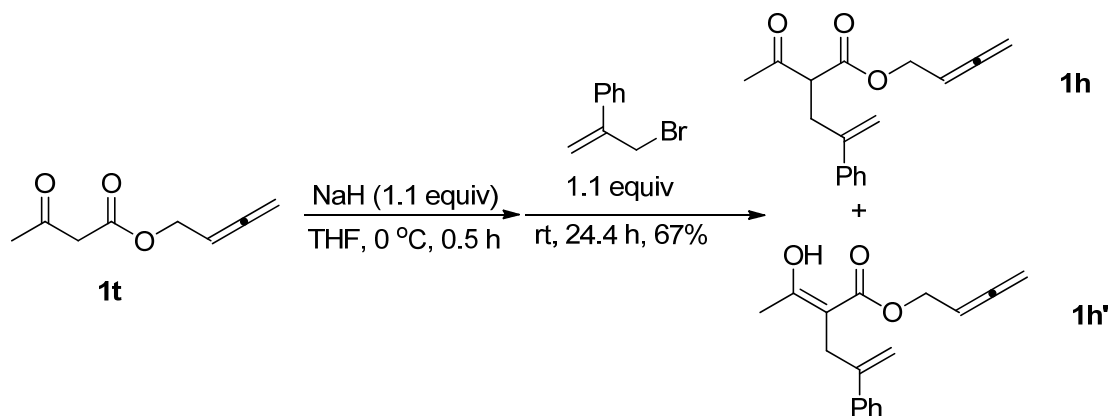
(12) 5,5-Dimethylhexa-2,3-dienyl 2-acetylpent-4-enoate (**1g**)



Following the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, the reaction of NaH (60% in mineral oil, 132.7 mg, 3.3 mol), THF (6 mL), **1v** (630.2 mg, 3.0 mmol), and allyl bromide (399.8 mg, 3.3 mol) afforded **1g** and **1g'** (517.3 mg, 69%, ketone : enol =

11.7:1) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 50/1) as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.83-5.65 (m, 1 H), 5.33-5.20 (m, 2 H), 5.13-4.89 (m, 2 H), 4.66-4.50 (m, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.51 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1 H, CH), 2.58 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2 of allyl), 2.22 (s, 3 H, COCH_3), 1.02 (s, 9 H, $3\times\text{CH}_3$). The following signals are discernible for **1g'**: δ 12.74* (s, 1 H, OH), 2.92* (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 1.97* (s, 3 H, CH_3); IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 3076, 2961, 2868, 1964, 1744, 1719 1644, 1441, 1362, 1329, 1244, 1185, 1151; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 250 (M^+ , 1.80), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_3$ (M^+): 250.1569; Found: 250.1571.

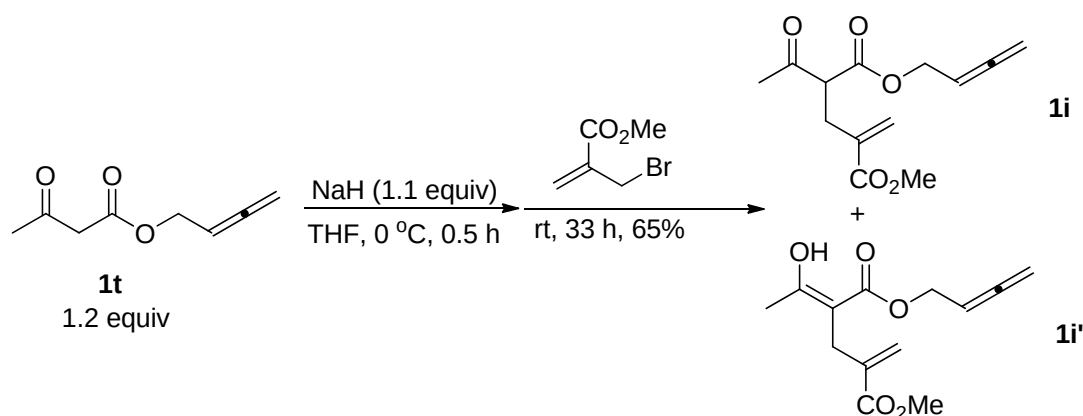
(13) Buta-2,3-dienyl 2-acetyl-4-phenylpent-4-enoate (1h)



Following the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, the reaction of NaH (60% in mineral oil, 132.3 mg, 3.3 mol), THF (15 mL), **1t** (462.7 mg, 3.0 mmol), and 2-phenylallyl bromide (650.0 mg, 3.3 mol) afforded **1h** and **1h'** (540.1 mg, 67%, ketone : enol = 15.4:1) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 50/1) as a liquid: ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.49-7.24 (m, 5 H, Ar-H), 5.30 (s, 1 H, one proton of $\text{C}=\text{CCH}_2$), 5.28-5.18 (m, 2 H), 5.11 (s, 1 H, one proton of $\text{C}=\text{CCH}_2$), 4.95-4.79 (m, 2 H, $\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$), 4.67-4.52 (m, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.62 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1 H, CH), 3.15-3.02 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 2.18 (s, 3 H, CH_3). The following signals are discernible for **1h'**: 12.89* (s,

1 H, OH), 3.35* (s, 2 H, CH₂), 1.98* (s, 3 H, CH₃); IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 1957, 1740, 1715, 1630, 1574, 1494, 1443, 1358, 1262, 1244, 1212, 1145, 1064, 1027; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%): 270 (M⁺, 0.58), 43 (100); Anal. Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₈O₃ (%): C 75.53, H 6.71; Found: C 75.75, H 6.88.

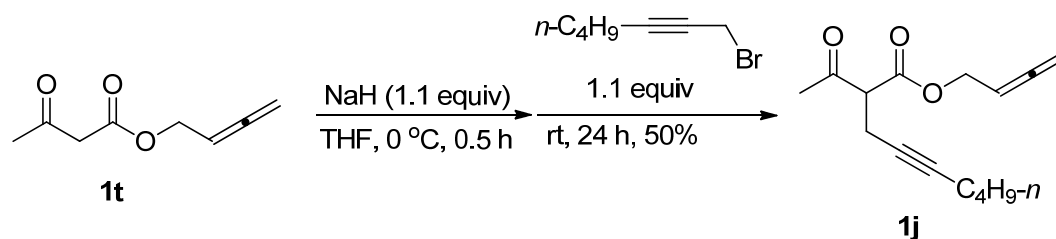
(14) Buta-2,3-dienyl 2-acetyl-4-(methoxycarbonyl)pent-4-enoate (1i)



Following the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, the reaction of NaH (60% in mineral oil, 176.2 mg, 4.4 mol), THF (20 mL), **1t** (738.2 mg, 4.8 mmol), and methyl 2-(bromomethyl)acrylate (715.7 mg, 4.0 mol) afforded **1i** and **1i'** (655.6 mg, 65%, ketone : enol = 18.2:1) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 25/1) as a liquid: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.18 (s, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 5.63 (s, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 5.27-5.18 (m, 1 H, HC=C=C), 4.85-4.77 (m, 2 H, C=C=CH₂), 4.63-4.50 (m, 2 H, OCH₂), 3.81 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1 H, CH), 3.73 (s, 3 H, CH₃), 2.87-2.73 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 2.22 (s, 3 H, CH₃). The following signals are discernible for **1i'**: δ 12.83* (s, 1 H, OH), 6.14* (s, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 5.40* (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 3.17* (s, 2 H, CH₂), 1.95* (s, 3 H, CH₃); IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2954, 1958, 1714, 1632, 1440, 1359, 1342, 1263, 1221, 1195, 1138, 1070; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%): 183 (M⁺-C₄H₅O, 16.69), 43 (100); Anal. Calcd. for C₁₃H₁₆O₅ (%): C 61.90, H 6.39; Found: C 62.08, H

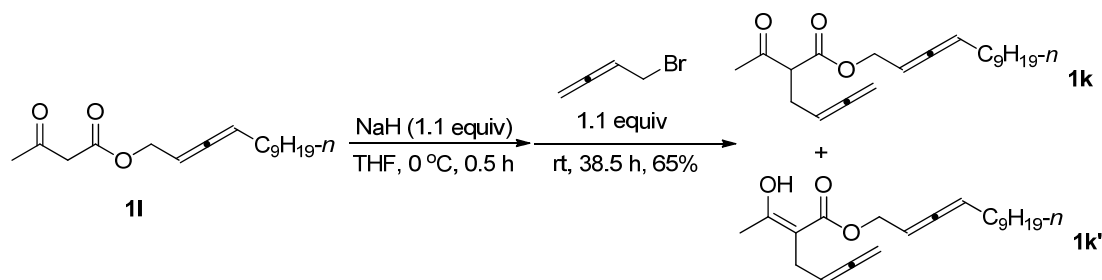
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(15) Buta-2,3-dienyl 2-acetylnon-4-ynoate (1j)



Following the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, the reaction of NaH (60% in mineral oil, 354.0 mg, 8.8 mol), THF (40 mL), **1t** (1.2336 g, 8.0 mmol), and 1-bromohept-2-yne (1.5409 g, 8.8 mol) afforded **1j** (999.6 mg, 50%) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 50/1) as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.35-5.22 (m, 1 H), 4.89-4.80 (m, 2 H), 4.68-4.55 (m, 2 H), 3.64 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H), 2.73-2.63 (m, 2 H), 2.28 (s, 3 H), 2.15-2.02 (m, 2 H), 1.50-1.27 (m, 4 H), 0.87 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 209.9, 201.5, 168.2, 85.8, 82.6, 76.9, 75.7, 63.1, 58.8, 30.8, 29.5, 21.8, 18.2, 18.0, 13.5; IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2958, 2933, 2873, 2237, 1959, 1744, 1719, 1643, 1618, 1462, 1434, 1358, 1268, 1221, 1140, 1070; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 249 ($\text{M}^+ + 1$, 0.73), 43 (100); Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_3$ (%): C 72.55, H 8.12; Found: C 72.30, H 8.24.

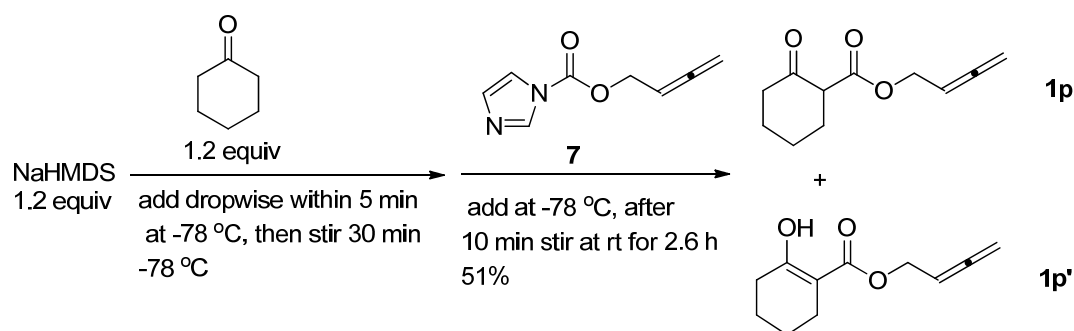
(16) Trideca-2,3-dienyl 2-acetylhexa-4,5-dienoate (1k)



Following the procedure for the preparation of **1a**, the reaction of NaH (60% in mineral oil, 110.2 mg, 2.75 mol), THF (5 mL), **1l** (702.3 mg, 2.50 mmol), and

4-bromobuta-1,2-diene (366.8 mg, 2.75 mol) afforded **1k** and **1k'** (541.3 mg, 65%, ketone : enol = 8.8:1) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 50/1) as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.32-5.05 (m, 3 H), 4.67-4.52 (m, 4 H), 3.60 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1 H, COCH), 2.61-2.46 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 2.25 (s, 3 H, COCH₃), 2.05-1.92 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 1.48-1.13 (m, 14 H, C_7H_{14}), 0.86 (t, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3). The following signals are discernible for **1k'**: δ 12.70* (s, 1 H, OH), 2.92-2.86* (m, 2 H, CH_2); IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2926, 2855, 1958, 1745, 1720, 1647, 1616, 1442, 1359, 1329, 1242, 1217, 1150, 1077, 1033; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 332 (M^+ , 0.19), 205 ($\text{M}^+ - \text{C}_9\text{H}_{19}$, 1.38), 43 (100); Anal. Calcd. for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{32}\text{O}_3$ (%): C 75.86, H 9.70; Found: C 75.88, H 9.52.

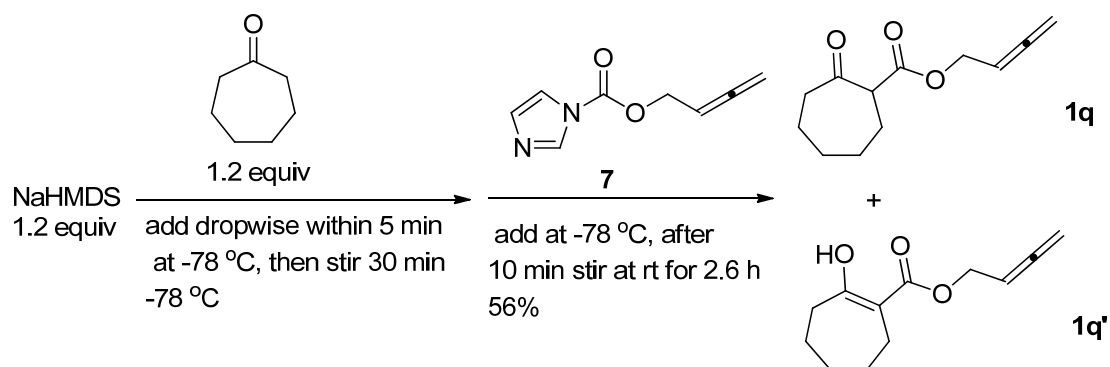
(17) Buta-2,3-dienyl 2-oxocyclohexanecarboxylate (1p)¹



Typical Procedure III: To a solution of NaHMDS (1.3232 g, 7.2 mmol) in DME (25 mL) was added cyclohexanone (706.9 mg, 7.2 mmol) in 5 mL of DME at -78°C within 5 min. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at -78°C . Then to the resulting mixture was added **7** (987.0 mg, 6.0 mmol). After 10 min the cooling bath was removed and the reaction was allowed to warm up to room temperature and stirred at room temperature for 2.6 h. The resulting mixture was quenched with an

aqueous solution of saturated NH_4Cl (30 mL), extracted with Et_2O (3×30 mL), and dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 . After filtration, evaporation of the solvent and chromatography on silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether/dichloromethane = 2/1) afforded **1p** and **1p'** (593.8 mg, 52%, ketone : enol = 1:3.5) as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.12* (s, 1 H, OH), 5.38-5.24* (m, 1 H, $\text{HC}=\text{C}=\text{C}$), 4.92-4.78* (m, 2 H, $\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$), 4.73-4.55* (m, 2 H, OCH_2), 2.59-1.52* (m, 8 H, $4 \times \text{CH}_2$). The following signals are discernible for **1p**: δ 3.39 (dd, $J_1 = 9.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H, COCH); IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2939, 2860, 1958, 1745, 1715, 1653, 1612, 1446, 1422, 1396, 1357, 1333, 1319, 1294, 1256, 1212, 1174, 1078, 1052; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 194 (M^+ , 2.13), 125 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_3$ (M^+): 194.0943; Found: 194.0942.

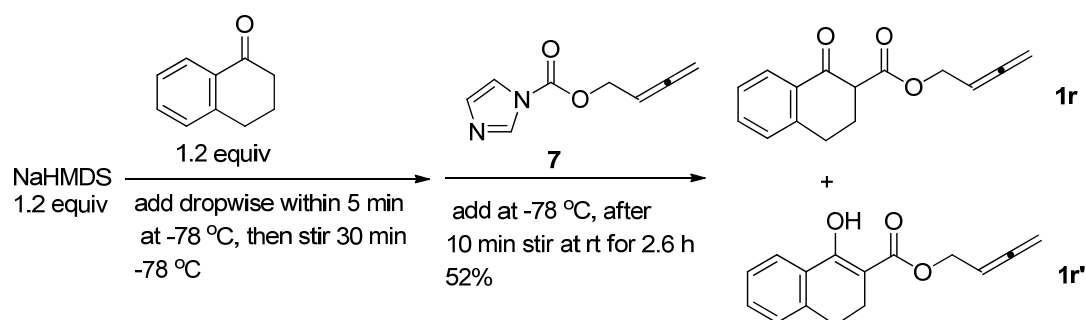
(18) Buta-2,3-dienyl 2-oxocycloheptanecarboxylate (1q)



Following the procedure for the preparation of **1p**, the reaction of NaHMDS (1.8542 g, 10.1 mmol), DME (30 mL), cycloheptanone (1.1340 g, 10.1 mmol), and **7** (1.3791 g, 8.4 mmol) afforded **1q** and **1q'** (979.7 mg, 56%, ketone : enol = 8.1:1) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 20/1) as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.36-5.20 (m, 1 H, $\text{HC}=\text{C}=\text{C}$), 4.88-4.78 (m, 2 H, $\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$), 4.70-4.51 (m, 2 H, OCH_2), 3.60-3.48 (m, 1 H, CH), 2.69-2.35 (m, 2 H), 2.16-1.34 (m, 8 H). The following signals are discernible for **1q'**: δ 12.60* (s, 1 H, OH); IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2929,

2855, 1958, 1741, 1704, 1638, 1610, 1454, 1395, 1376, 1354, 1307, 1262, 1238, 1212, 1181, 1154, 1123, 1040, 1010; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 208 (M^+ , 1.45), 55 (100); HRMS Calcd for $C_{12}H_{16}O_3$ (M^+): 208.1099; Found: 208.1093.

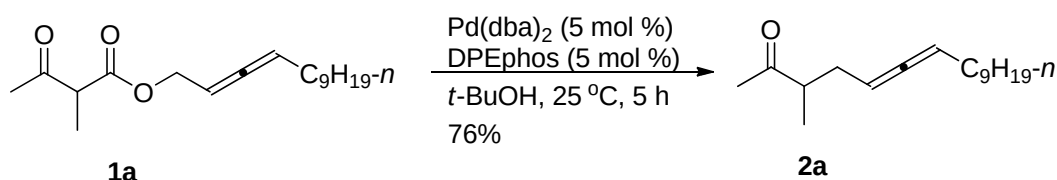
(19) Buta-2,3-dienyl 1-oxo-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene-2-carboxylate (1r**)**



Following the procedure for the preparation of **1p**, the reaction of NaHMDS (1.3241 g, 7.2 mmol), DME (30 mL), 3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1(2H)-one (1.0525 g, 7.2 mmol), and **7** (986.9 mg, 6.0 mmol) afforded **1r** and **1r'** (750.7 mg, 52%, ketone : enol = 1:1.5) (eluent: petroleum ether/dichloromethane = 2/1) as a liquid: 1H NMR (300 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 12.37* (s, 1 H, OH), 7.85-7.77* (m, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.37-7.23* (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.17* (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 5.43-5.27* (m, 1 H, HC=C=C), 4.92-4.79* (m, 2 H, C=C=CH₂), 4.79-4.63* (m, 2 H, OCH₂), 2.82* (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H, CH₂), 2.65-2.44* (m, 2 H, CH₂). The following signals are discernible for **1r**: δ 8.05 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1 H, Ar-H), 7.53-7.45 (m, 1 H, Ar-H), 3.63 (dd, J_1 = 10.2 Hz, J_2 = 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.14-2.93 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 2.43-2.32 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂); IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2945, 1957, 1740, 1686, 1645, 1616, 1597, 1569, 1490, 1452, 1390, 1353, 1324, 1295, 1260, 1209, 1197, 1167, 1130, 1083, 1024; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 242 (M^+ , 7.20), 115 (100); HRMS Calcd for $C_{15}H_{14}O_3$ (M^+): 242.0943; Found: 242.0943.

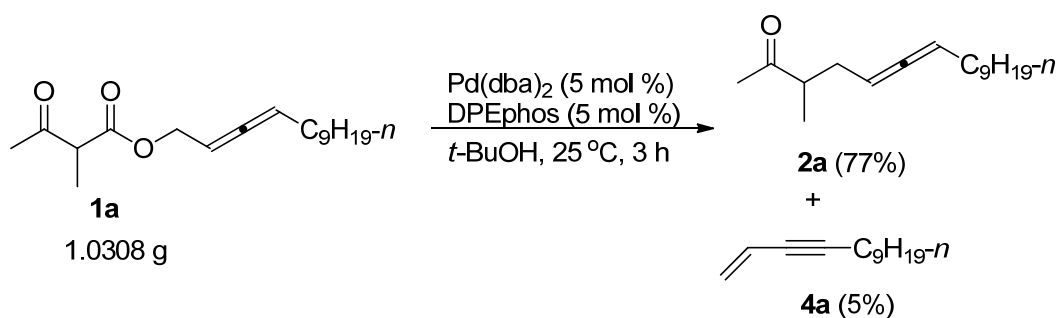
2. Palladium-Catalyzed decarboxylation of allenyl 3-oxoalkanoates

(1) 3-Methyl-5,6-hexadecadien-2-one (2a)



Typical Procedure IV: To a flame-dried Schlenk tube were added Pd(dba)_2 (11.5 mg, 0.020 mmol), DPEphos (11.0 mg, 0.020 mmol), *t*-BuOH (1 mL), **1a** (115.9 mg, 0.40 mmol), and 1 mL of *t*-BuOH sequentially under argon. The mixture was stirred at 25 °C with a preheated oil bath and monitored by TLC. Upon completion, the resulting mixture was concentrated and purified by chromatography on silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 50/1) to afford **2a** (74.7 mg, 76%) as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.12-4.93 (m, 2 H, $\text{HC}=\text{C}=\text{CH}$), 2.67-2.52 (m, 1 H, COCH), 2.40-2.23 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.12 (s, 3 H, COCH_3), 2.07-1.87 (m, 3 H, CH_2 and one proton of CH_2), 1.43-1.16 (m, 14 H, $\text{CC}_7\text{H}_{14}\text{C}$), 1.09 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 3 H, COCCH_3), 0.85 (t, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.8, 211.7, 204.40, 204.36, 91.8, 91.6, 88.1, 46.7, 32.2, 32.1, 31.9, 29.5, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 29.12, 29.08, 28.9, 28.8, 28.19, 28.17, 22.6, 16.1, 14.0; IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2958, 2925, 2854, 1962, 1716, 1459, 1375, 1358, 1166; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 250 (M^+ , 8.29), 95 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{30}\text{O}$ (M^+): 250.2297; Found: 250.2295.

(2) Synthesis of 3-methyl-5,6-hexadecadien-2-one 2a in one gram scale



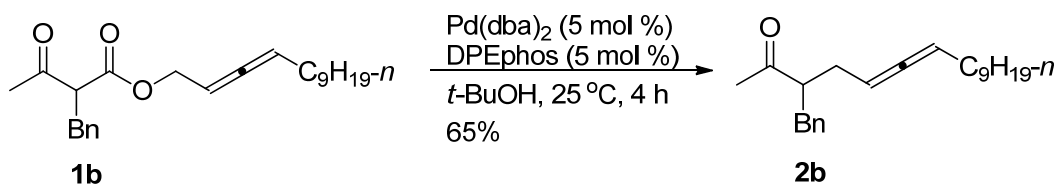
To a flame-dried round-flask were added Pd(dba)_2 (100.2 mg, 0.175 mmol), DPEphos (94.1 mg, 0.175 mmol), $t\text{-BuOH}$ (15 mL), and **1a** (1.0308 g, 3.50 mmol) sequentially under argon. The mixture was stirred at 25 °C with a preheated oil bath and monitored by TLC. Upon completion, the resulting mixture was concentrated and purified by chromatography on silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 50/1) to afford **2a** (677.8 mg, 77%) and **4a** (31.3 mg, 5%).

2a: liquid; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.12-4.94 (m, 2 H, $\text{HC}=\text{C}=\text{CH}$), 2.67-2.53 (m, 1 H, COCH), 2.40-2.25 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.13 (s, 3 H, COCH_3), 2.07-1.87 (m, 3 H, CH_2 and one proton of CH_2), 1.43-1.16 (m, 14 H, $\text{CC}_7\text{H}_{14}\text{C}$), 1.10 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 3 H, COCCH_3), 0.86 (t, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3).

4a: liquid; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.78 (ddt, $J_1 = 17.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 10.8$ Hz, $J_3 = 2.1$ Hz, 1 H, $\text{C}=\text{CHC}$), 5.54 (dd, $J_1 = 17.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.4$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{C}$), 5.36 (dd, $J_1 = 10.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.1$ Hz, 1 H, one proton of $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{C}$), 2.29 (td, $J_1 = 6.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.0$ Hz, 2 H, CH_2), 1.63-1.45 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 1.45-1.15 (m, 12 H, $6\times\text{CH}_2$), 0.88 (t, 3 H, $J_2 = 6.8$ Hz, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 125.4, 117.7, 91.2, 79.3, 31.9, 29.5, 29.3, 29.2, 28.9, 28.7, 22.7, 19.3, 14.1; IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2925, 2855, 2228, 1609, 1465, 1412, 1260, 1096, 1018; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 178 (M^+ , 1.01), 79 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{22}$ (M^+): 178.1722; Found: 178.1721.

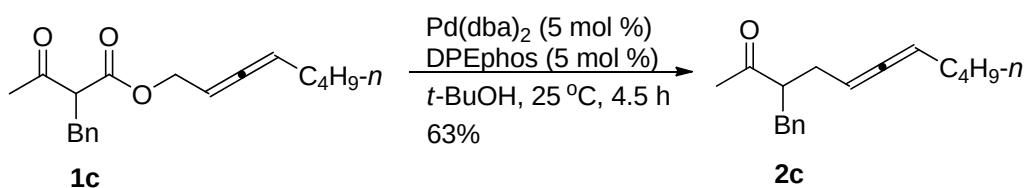
The following compounds were prepared according to Typical Procedure IV.

(3) 3-Benzyl-5,6-hexadecadien-2-one (2b)



The reaction of Pd(dba)_2 (11.3 mg, 0.020 mmol), DPEphos (11.0 mg, 0.020 mmol), and **1b** (147.4 mg, 0.40 mmol) in 2 mL of $t\text{-BuOH}$ afforded **2b** (84.6 mg, 65%) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 60/1) as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.32-7.22 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.22-7.11 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 5.17-4.97 (m, 2 H, $\text{HC}=\text{C}=\text{CH}$), 2.97-2.83 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 2.81-2.67 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.39-2.24 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.20-2.06 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.05-1.90 (m, 5 H, CH_3 and CH_2), 1.43-1.19 (m, 14 H, $\text{CC}_7\text{H}_{14}\text{C}$), 0.88 (t, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.3, 211.2, 204.42, 204.37, 139.4, 139.3, 128.85, 128.82, 128.4, 126.3, 92.05, 91.95, 87.90, 87.88, 53.96, 53.93, 37.42, 37.36, 31.8, 30.59, 30.57, 30.3, 30.2, 29.5, 29.4, 29.3, 29.13, 29.07, 29.05, 28.8, 22.6, 14.1; IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2925, 2854, 1961, 1714, 1496, 1458, 1358, 1212, 1160; MS (70 eV, EI) m/z (%): 326 (M^+ , 4.94), 91 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{34}\text{O}$ (M^+): 326.2610; Found: 326.2609.

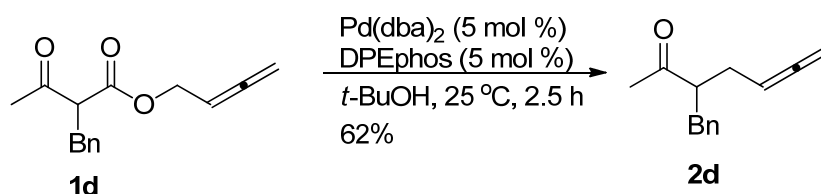
(4) 3-Benzyl-5,6-undecadien-2-one (2c)



The reaction of Pd(dba)_2 (11.7 mg, 0.020 mmol), DPEphos (11.1 mg, 0.020 mmol),

and **1c** (120.1 mg, 0.40 mmol) in 2 mL of *t*-BuOH afforded **2c** (64.6 mg, 63%) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 60/1) as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.32-7.23 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.23-7.11 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 5.17-4.97 (m, 2 H, $\text{HC}=\text{C}=\text{CH}$), 2.97-2.83 (m, 2 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.81-2.67 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.39-2.24 (m, 1 H, COCH and one proton of CH_2), 2.20-2.06 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.05-1.90 (m, 5 H, COCH_3 and CH_2), 1.44-1.27 (m, 4 H, $\text{CC}_2\text{H}_4\text{C}$), 0.94-0.84 (m, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.4, 211.3, 204.41, 204.38, 139.4, 139.3, 128.85, 128.83, 128.4, 126.3, 92.0, 91.9, 87.90, 87.87, 53.96, 53.94, 37.4, 37.3, 31.25, 31.19, 30.60, 30.55, 30.4, 30.2, 28.5, 22.10, 22.07, 13.8; IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2957, 2927, 2858, 1961, 1713, 1496, 1450, 1358, 1161; MS (70 eV, EI) m/z (%): 256 (M^+ , 0.98), 91 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}$ (M^+): 256.1827; Found: 256.1825.

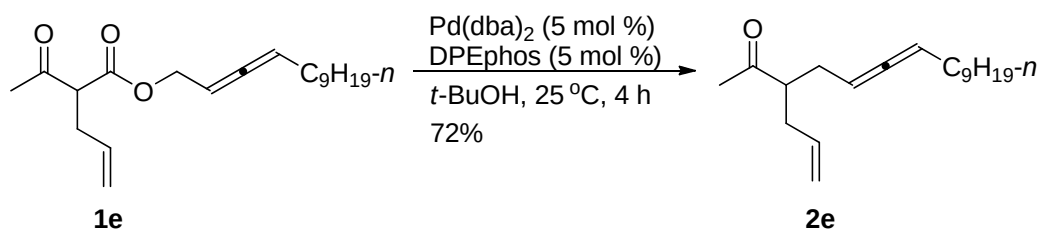
(5) 3-Benzyl-5,6-heptadien-2-one (2d)



The reaction of Pd(dba)_2 (11.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), DPEphos (11.0 mg, 0.020 mmol), and **1d** (97.9 mg, 0.40 mmol) in 2 mL of *t*-BuOH afforded **2d** (49.9 mg, 62%) [eluent: petroleum ether (b.p. 30-60 $^\circ\text{C}$)/ethyl ether = 50/1] as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.32-7.23 (m, 2 H, Ar-H), 7.23-7.11 (m, 3 H, Ar-H), 5.11-5.00 (m, 1 H, $\text{CCH}=\text{C}=\text{C}$), 4.77-4.63 (m, 2 H, $\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$), 3.00-2.83 (m, 2 H, COCH and one proton of CH_2), 2.80-2.67 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.39-2.25 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.20-2.05 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH_2), 2.01 (s, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.2, 208.8, 139.2, 128.8, 128.4, 126.3, 87.3, 75.6, 53.7, 37.4, 30.3,

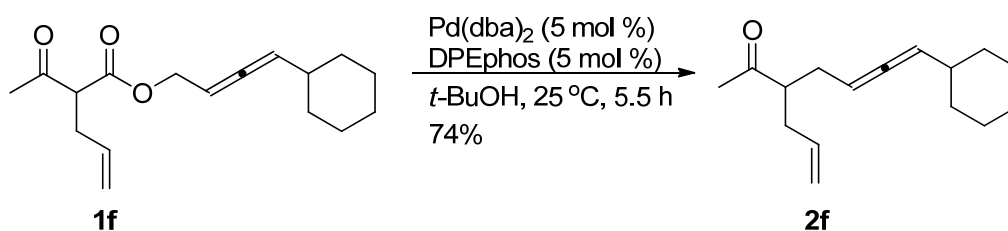
29.6; IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 3063, 3028, 2921, 2854, 1955, 1710, 1603, 1496, 1453, 1440, 1352, 1213, 1161, 1081, 1030; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 200 (M^+ , 1.11), 91 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}$ (M^+): 200.1201; Found: 200.1203.

(6) 3-Allyl-5,6-hexadecadien-2-one (2e)



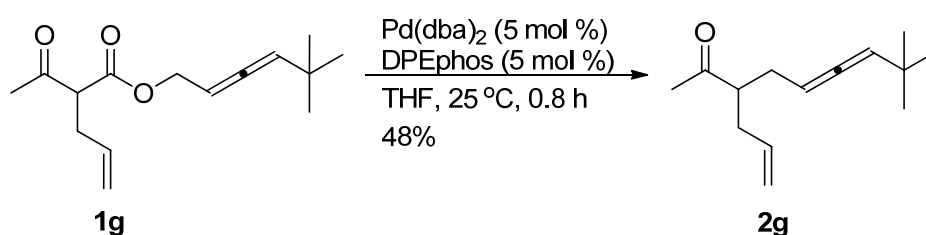
The reaction of Pd(dba)_2 (11.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), DPEphos (11.0 mg, 0.020 mmol), and **1e** (127.4 mg, 0.40 mmol) in 2 mL of $t\text{-BuOH}$ afforded **2e** (79.3 mg, 72%) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 80/1) as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.78-5.62 (m, 1 H, $\text{C}=\text{CHC}$), 5.12-4.93 (m, 4 H, $\text{CH}_2=\text{C}$ and $\text{HC}=\text{C}=\text{CH}$), 2.71-2.59 (m, 1 H, COCH), 2.40-2.18 (m, 3 H, CH_2 and one proton of CH_2), 2.18-2.04 (m, 4 H, COCH_3 and one proton of CH_2), 2.00-1.88 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 1.42-1.16 (m, 14 H, $\text{CC}_7\text{H}_{14}\text{C}$), 0.86 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.0, 210.9, 204.4, 204.3, 135.3, 116.9, 92.0, 91.8, 88.0, 87.9, 51.93, 51.90, 35.29, 35.27, 31.9, 30.20, 30.18, 29.54, 29.48, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 29.1, 28.8, 22.6, 14.1; IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 3078, 2926, 2854, 1962, 1714, 1641, 1441, 1358, 1163; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 276 (M^+ , 1.48), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{32}\text{O}$ (M^+): 276.2453; Found: 276.2455.

(7) 3-Allyl-7-cyclohexyl-5,6-heptadien-2-one (2f)



The reaction of Pd(dba)_2 (11.3 mg, 0.020 mmol), DPEphos (10.7 mg, 0.020 mmol), and **1f** (110.7 mg, 0.40 mmol) in 2 mL of $t\text{-BuOH}$ afforded **2f** (68.8 mg, 74%) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 50/1) as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.78-5.62 (m, 1 H, $\text{C}=\text{CHC}$), 5.13-4.97 (m, 4 H, $\text{CH}_2=\text{C}$ and $\text{HC}=\text{C}=\text{CH}$), 2.72-2.59 (m, 1 H, COCH), 2.41-2.04 (m, 7 H), 2.01-1.86 (m, 1 H), 1.77-1.56 (m, 5 H), 1.35-0.97 (m, 5 H); ^{13}C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 211.1, 211.0, 203.2, 203.1, 135.3, 117.0, 98.0, 97.8, 89.0, 88.9, 52.1, 51.9, 37.20, 37.17, 35.4, 35.3, 33.03, 33.00, 32.9, 30.34, 30.27, 29.6, 29.5, 26.1, 26.0; IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 3077, 2925, 2851, 1960, 1713, 1641, 1445, 1357, 1222, 1163; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 232 (M^+ , 2.23), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{24}\text{O}$ (M^+): 232.1827; Found: 232.1828.

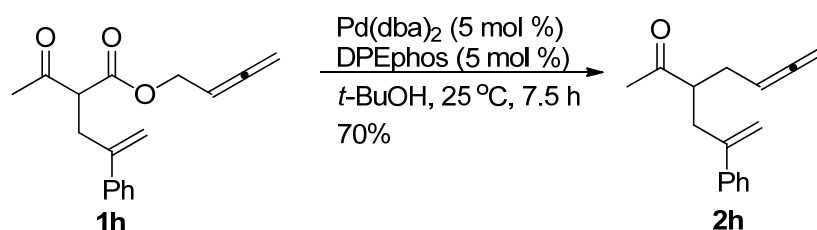
(8) 3-Allyl-8,8-dimethyl-5,6-nonadien-2-one (**2g**)



The reaction of Pd(dba)_2 (11.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), DPEphos (11.0 mg, 0.020 mmol), and **1g** (100.2 mg, 0.40 mmol) in 2 mL of THF afforded **2f** (39.6 mg, 48%) [eluent: petroleum ether (b.p. 30-60 °C)/ethyl ether = 60/1] as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.78-5.62 (m, 1 H, $\text{C}=\text{CH}$), 5.13-4.97 (m, 4 H, $\text{CH}_2=\text{C}$ and $\text{HC}=\text{C}=\text{CH}$), 2.73-2.59 (m, 1 H, COCH), 2.41-2.18 (m, 3 H, CH_2 and one proton of CH_2),

2.18-2.03 (m, 4 H, COCH₃ and one proton of CH₂), 1.00 (s, 9 H, C(CH₃)₃); ¹³C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.0, 210.9, 201.6, 201.5, 135.3, 117.00, 116.98, 103.9, 103.7, 90.0, 89.8, 52.2, 51.8, 35.4, 35.3, 31.7, 30.5, 30.4, 30.1, 29.7, 29.5; IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 3079, 2961, 2865, 1960, 1715, 1641, 1475, 1461, 1441, 1362, 1258, 1192, 1163; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%): 206 (M⁺, 0.58), 205 206 (M⁺-1, 2.46), 191 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₄H₂₂O (M⁺): 206.1671; Found: 206.1673.

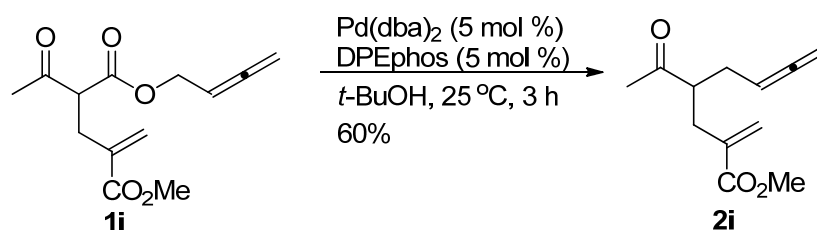
(9) 3-(2-Phenylallyl)-5,6-heptadien-2-one (2h)



The reaction of Pd(dba)₂ (11.2 mg, 0.020 mmol), DPEphos (10.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), and **1h** (108.1 mg, 0.40 mmol) in 2 mL of *t*-BuOH afforded **2h** (63.1 mg, 70%) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 40/1) as a liquid: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41-7.24 (m, 5 H, Ar-H), 5.30 (s, 1 H, one proton of CH₂=C), 5.07 (s, 1 H, one proton of CH₂=C), 5.04-4.95 (m, 1 H, HC=C=C), 4.69-4.61 (m, 2 H, C=C=CH₂), 2.83 (dd, *J*₁ = 13.6 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.2 Hz, 1 H, one proton of C=CCH₂), 2.76-2.67 (quint, *J*₁ = 5.2 Hz, 1 H, COCH), 2.64 (dd, *J*₁ = 13.6 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.4 Hz, 1 H, one proton of C=CCH₂), 2.35-2.24 (m, 1 H, one proton of C=C=CCH₂), 2.21-2.12 (m, 1 H, one proton of C=C=CCH₂), 2.07 (s, 3 H, COCH₃); ¹³C NMR (100.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.1, 208.9, 145.7, 140.2, 128.4, 127.6, 126.1, 114.9, 87.0, 75.4, 50.2, 36.9, 29.9, 29.7; IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2986, 2919, 2852, 1955, 1711, 1627, 1600, 1574, 1494, 1442, 1353, 1305, 1214, 1161, 1107, 1076, 1028; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%): 226 (M⁺, 1.46), 43 (100); HRMS

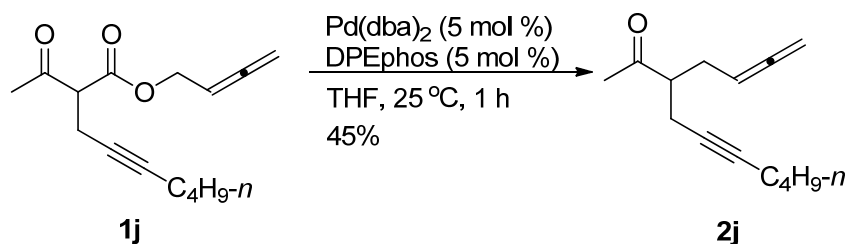
Calcd for C₁₆H₁₈O (M⁺): 226.1358; Found: 226.1359.

(10) Methyl 4-acetyl-2-methylene-6,7-octadienoate (2i)



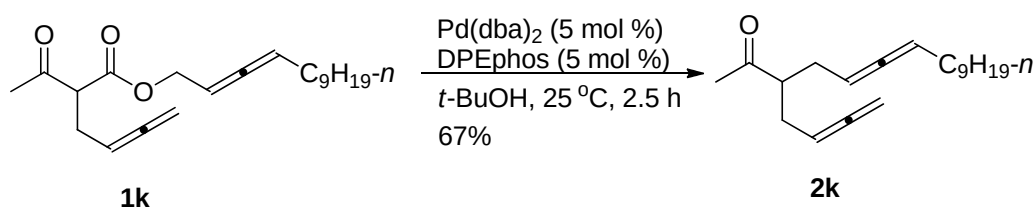
The reaction of Pd(dba)₂ (11.5 mg, 0.020 mmol), DPEphos (10.9 mg, 0.020 mmol), and **1i** (101.2 mg, 0.40 mmol) in 2 mL of *t*-BuOH afforded **2i** (50.1 mg, 60%) [eluent: petroleum ether (b.p. 30-60 °C)/ethyl ether = 25/1] as a liquid: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.18 (s, 1 H, one proton of CH₂=C), 5.55 (s, 1 H, one proton of CH₂=C), 5.05-4.95 (m, 1 H, HC=C=C), 4.71-4.61 (m, 2 H, C=C=CH₂), 3.73 (s, 3 H, CO₂CH₃), 2.91-2.82 (m, 1 H, COCH), 2.60 (dd, *J*₁ = 14.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.2 Hz, 1 H, one proton of C=CCH₂), 2.37 (dd, *J*₁ = 13.6 Hz, *J*₂ = 6.4 Hz, 1 H, one proton of C=CCH₂), 2.35-2.21 (m, 1 H, one proton of CH₂), 2.20-2.06 (m, 4 H, COCH₃ and one proton of CH₂); ¹³C NMR (100.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 210.6, 208.9, 167.1, 137.4, 127.5, 86.9, 75.5, 51.9, 50.4, 33.5, 29.7, 29.4; IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2995, 2953, 2927, 2849, 1955, 1713, 1631, 1439, 1352, 1333, 1308, 1279, 1198, 1140; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%): 207 (M⁺-1, 1.65), 193 (M⁺-CH₃, 4.59), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₂H₁₆O₃ (M⁺): 208.1099; Found: 208.1102.

(11) 3-(2,3-Butadienyl)-5-decyn-2-one (2j)



The reaction of Pd(dba)₂ (11.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), DPEphos (10.9 mg, 0.020 mmol), and **1j** (99.9 mg, 0.40 mmol) in 2 mL of THF afforded **2j** (36.7 mg, 45%) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 60/1) as a liquid: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.11-4.98 (m, 1 H, HC=C=C), 4.75-4.62 (m, 2 H, C=C=CH₂), 2.79-2.67 (m, 1 H, COCH), 2.47-2.29 (m, 3 H, CH₂ and one proton of CH₂), 2.28-2.07 (m, 6 H, COCH₃, CH₂, and one proton of CH₂), 1.53-1.28 (m, 4 H, CC₂H₄C), 0.88 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 210.1, 208.9, 87.0, 82.4, 76.7, 75.5, 51.2, 31.0, 29.7, 29.1, 21.9, 20.6, 18.3, 13.6; IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2958, 2932, 2873, 1956, 1715, 1434, 1364, 1162; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%): 205 (M⁺+1, 1.10), 189 (M⁺-CH₃, 1.10), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₄H₂₀O (M⁺): 204.1514; Found: 204.1514.

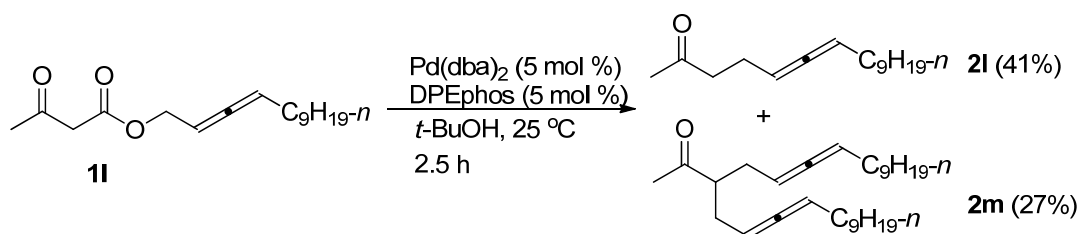
(12) 3-(2,3-Butadienyl)-5,6-hexadecadien-2-one (2k)



The reaction of Pd(dba)₂ (11.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), DPEphos (10.9 mg, 0.020 mmol), and **1k** (133.6 mg, 0.40 mmol) in 2 mL of *t*-BuOH afforded **2k** (77.1 mg, 67%) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 80/1) as a liquid: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.12-4.93 (m, 3 H, C=C=CH and HC=C=CH), 4.74-4.59 (m, 2 H, C=C=CH₂), 2.73-2.62 (quintet, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1 H, COCH), 2.37-2.21 (m, 2 H), 2.21-2.05 (m, 5 H), 2.01-1.87 (m, 2 H, CH₂), 1.42-1.16 (m, 14 H, CC₇H₁₄C), 0.85 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3 H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 210.6, 210.5, 208.9, 204.44, 204.38, 91.9, 91.8,

87.79, 87.76, 87.3, 75.3, 51.73, 51.66, 31.8, 30.42, 30.39, 29.5, 29.39, 29.35, 29.3, 29.2, 29.12, 29.10, 29.06, 29.05, 28.8, 22.6, 14.0; IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2956, 2925, 2854, 1957, 1716, 1466, 1440, 1352, 1161; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 288 (M^+ , 1.78), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{32}\text{O}$ (M^+): 288.2453; Found: 288.2453.

(13) 5,6-Hexadecadien-2-one (2l) and 3-(2,3-tridecadienyl)-5,6-hexadecadien-2-one (2m)



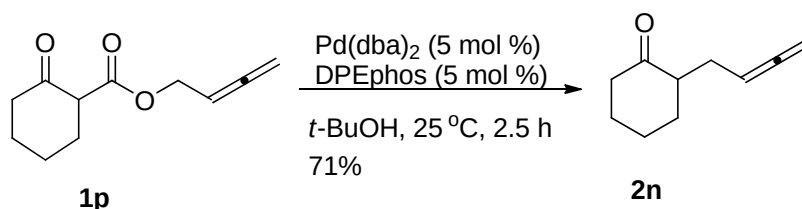
The reaction of $\text{Pd}(\text{dba})_2$ (11.5 mg, 0.020 mmol), DPEphos (11.0 mg, 0.020 mmol), and **1l** (111.5 mg, 0.40 mmol) in 2 mL of $t\text{-BuOH}$ afforded **2l** (38.9 mg, 41%) and **2m** (44.5 mg, 27%) (eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl ether = 50/1).

2l: liquid; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.16-5.04 (m, 2 H, $\text{HC}=\text{C}=\text{CH}$), 2.52 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H, COCH_2), 2.28-2.17 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 2.13 (s, 3 H, COCH_3), 2.00-1.87 (m, 2 H, CH_2), 1.42-1.15 (m, 14 H, $\text{CC}_7\text{H}_{14}\text{C}$), 0.86 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 3 H, CH_3); ^{13}C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 208.1, 203.6, 92.5, 89.6, 42.4, 31.8, 29.9, 29.5, 29.4, 29.3, 29.14, 29.10, 28.9, 22.7, 22.6, 14.0; IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2956, 2924, 2854, 1963, 1720, 1465, 1442, 1363, 1260, 1225, 1160, 1018; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 236 (M^+ , 2.07), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}$ (M^+): 236.2140; Found: 236.2139.

2m: liquid; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.16-4.94 (m, 4 H, two $\text{HC}=\text{C}=\text{CH}$), 2.73-2.62 (m, 1 H, COCH), 2.39- 2.22 (m, 2 H), 2.22-2.06 (m, 5 H), 2.02-1.88 (m, 4

H, two CH₂), 1.42-1.15 (m, 28 H, two C₇H₁₄C), 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 6 H, two CH₃);
¹³C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 211.0, 210.9, 210.8, 204.40, 204.36, 204.3, 91.92, 91.88, 91.8, 88.01, 87.98, 87.96, 52.0, 51.93, 51.86, 31.9, 30.4, 29.6, 29.5, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 29.15, 29.11, 28.9, 22.7, 14.1; IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2955, 2923, 2853, 1963, 1715, 1465, 1441, 1362, 1160, 1058; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%): 414 (M⁺, 2.52), 43 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₂₉H₅₀O (M⁺): 414.3862; Found: 414.3863.

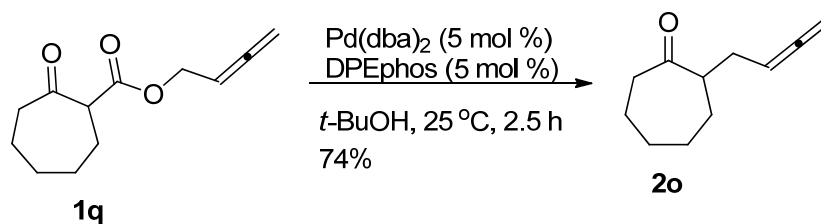
(14) 2-(2,3-Butadienyl)cyclohexanone (2n)



The reaction of Pd(dba)₂ (11.6 mg, 0.020 mmol), DPEphos (11.0 mg, 0.020 mmol), and **1p** (79.0 mg, 0.40 mmol) in 2 mL of *t*-BuOH afforded **2n**² (43.3 mg, 71%) [eluent: petroleum ether (b.p. 30-60 °C)/ethyl ether = 40/1] as a liquid: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.14-5.02 (m, 1 H, CH=C=C), 4.68- 4.56 (m, 2 H, C=C=CH₂), 2.50-2.22 (m, 4 H), 2.22-2.10 (m, 1 H), 2.10-1.96 (m, 1 H), 1.96-1.76 (m, 2 H), 1.73-1.54 (m, 2 H), 1.46-1.25 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 212.2, 208.8, 87.9, 74.7, 50.3, 42.0, 33.5, 28.2, 27.9, 25.0; IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2934, 2860, 1955, 1707, 1448, 1431, 1367, 1340, 1314, 1223, 1181, 1128, 1071, 1035; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%): 150 (M⁺, 7.06), 41 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₀H₁₄O (M⁺): 150.1045; Found: 150.1046.

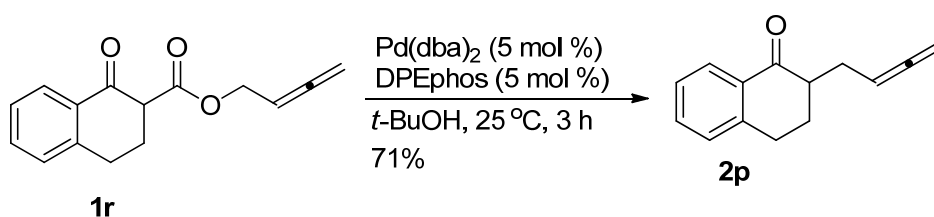
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(15) 2-(2,3-Butadienyl)cycloheptanone (2o)



The reaction of Pd(dba)_2 (11.4 mg, 0.020 mmol), DPEphos (10.9 mg, 0.020 mmol), and **1q** (83.7 mg, 0.40 mmol) in 2 mL of $t\text{-BuOH}$ afforded **2o** (48.9 mg, 74%) [eluent: petroleum ether (b.p. 30-60 °C)/ethyl ether = 50/1] as a liquid: ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.09-4.97 (m, 1 H, $\text{H}=\text{C}=\text{C}$), 4.68- 4.55 (m, 2 H, $\text{C}=\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$), 2.70-2.56 (m, 1 H), 2.53-2.30 (m, 3 H), 2.05-1.72 (m, 5 H), 1.72-1.52 (m, 1 H), 1.52-1.16 (m, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 215.1, 208.8, 87.9, 75.0, 51.1, 43.2, 30.9, 30.4, 29.2, 28.8, 23.9; IR (neat, cm^{-1}): 2926, 2854, 1955, 1699, 1453, 1374, 1344, 1260, 1219, 1163, 1130, 1102, 1031; MS (70 ev, EI) m/z (%): 164 (M^+ , 3.59), 41 (100); HRMS Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}$ (M^+): 164.1201; Found: 164.1203.

(16) 2-(2,3-Butadienyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1(2H)-one (2p)

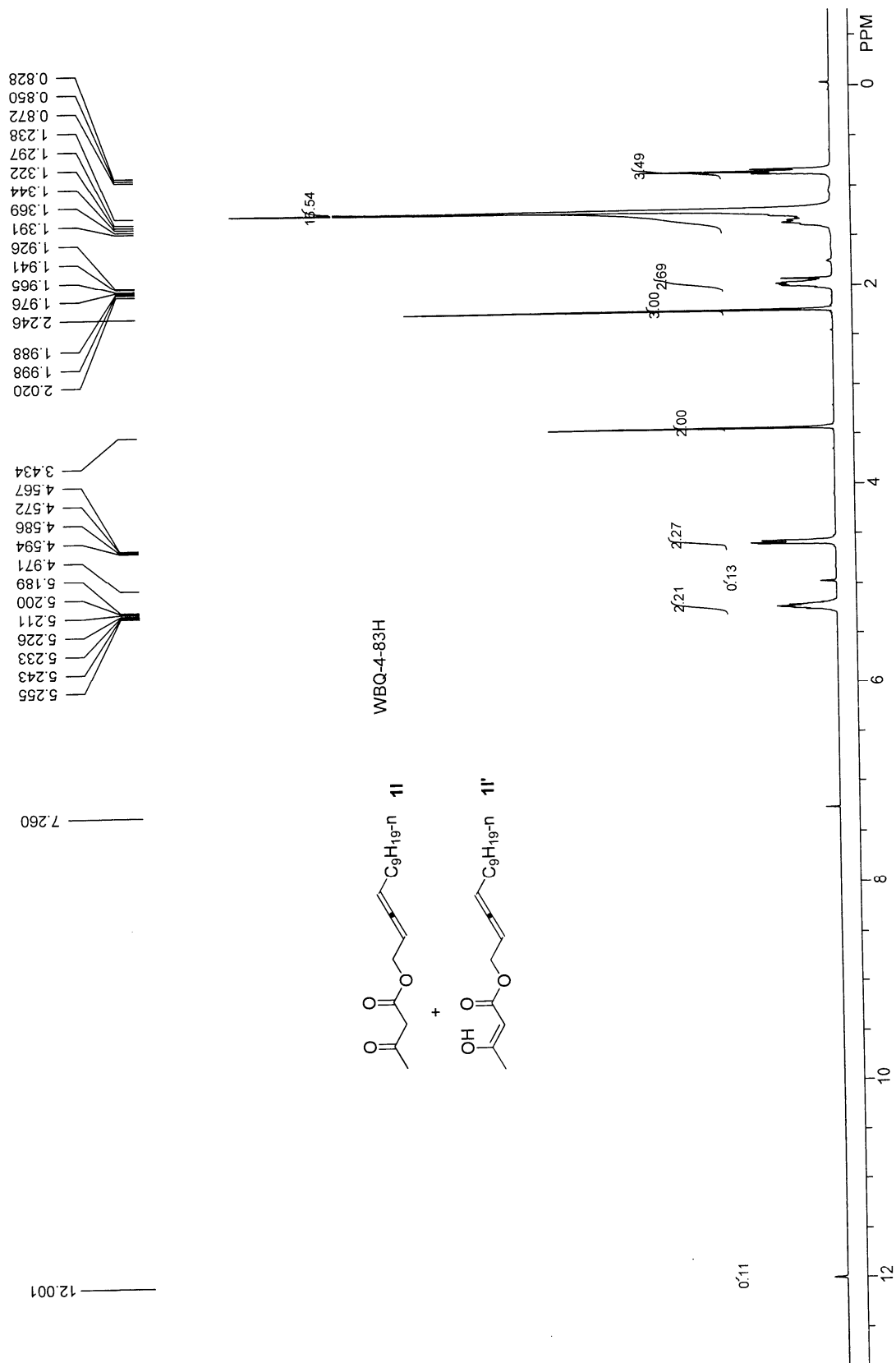


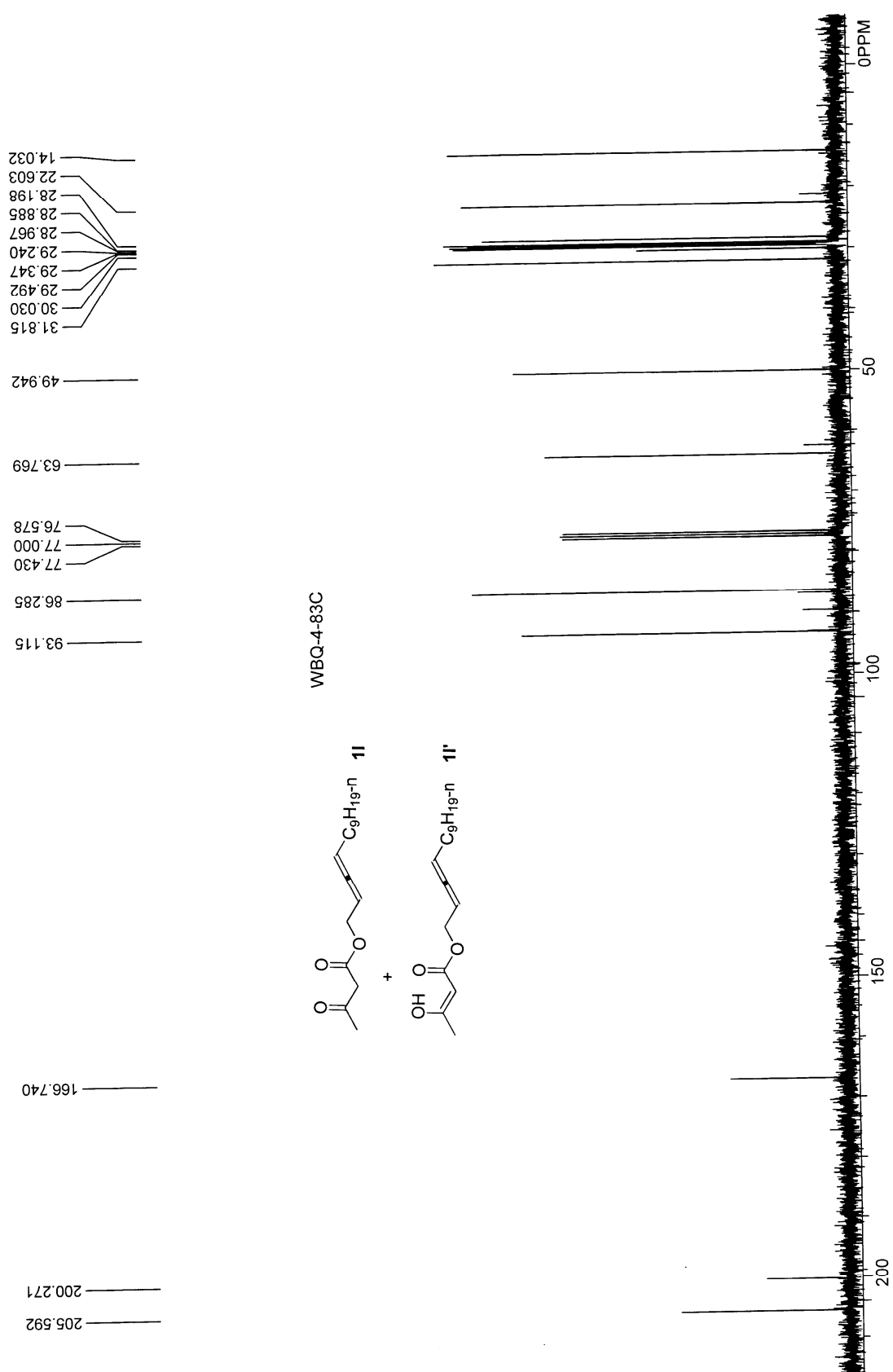
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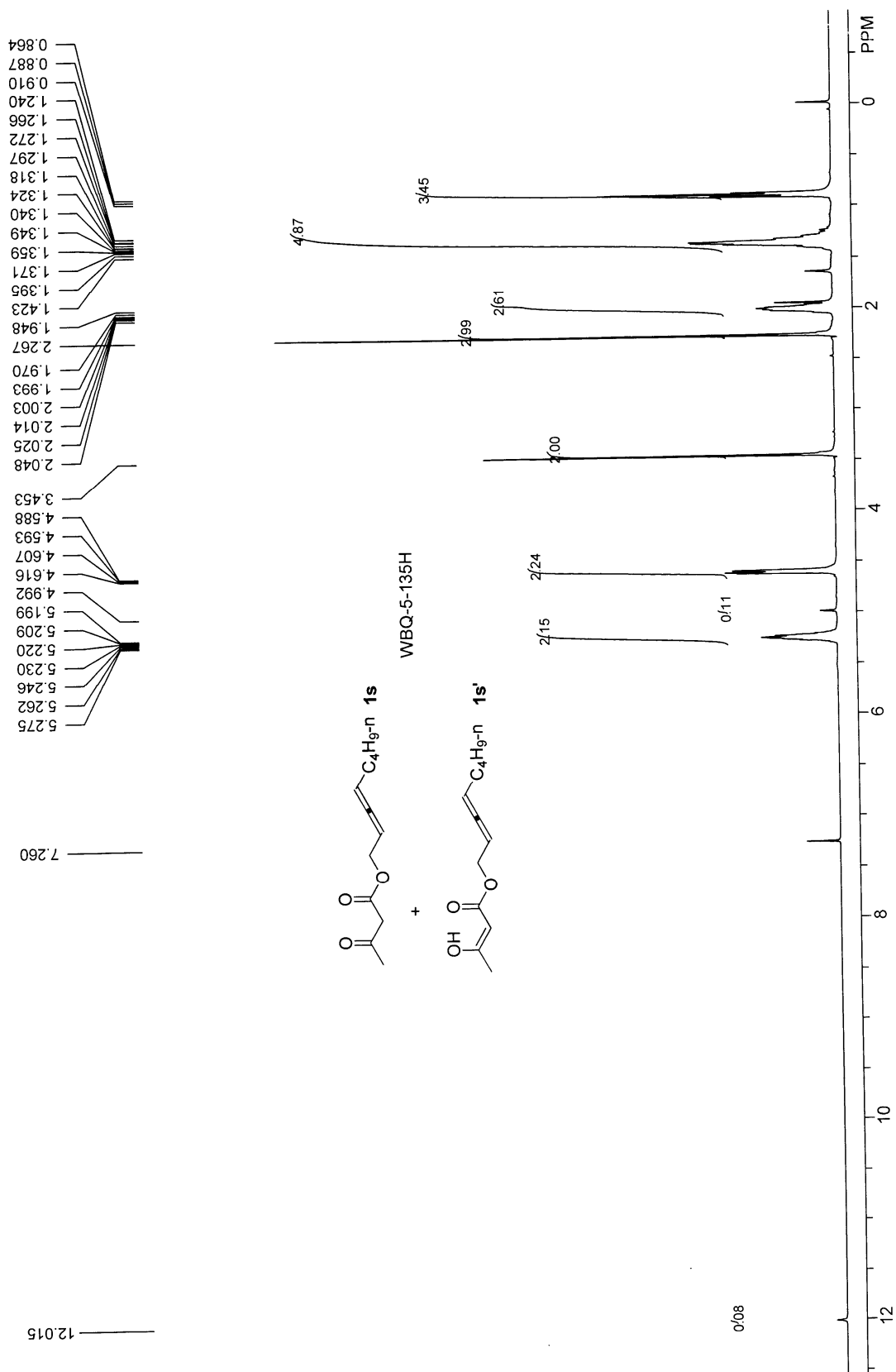
4.73- 4.65 (m, 2 H, C=C=CH₂), 3.10-2.93 (m, 2 H), 2.77-2.53 (m, 2 H), 2.35-2.15 (m, 2 H), 2.01-1.84 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (75.4 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.1, 199.3, 144.0, 133.2, 132.5, 128.7, 127.4, 126.5, 87.6, 74.9, 47.4, 28.7, 28.6, 28.1; IR (neat, cm⁻¹): 2927, 2861, 1955, 1680, 1600, 1482, 1454, 1433, 1361, 1325, 1279, 1231, 1217, 1156, 1113, 1086, 1030, 1001; MS (70 ev, EI) *m/z* (%): 198 (M⁺, 28.41), 90 (100); HRMS Calcd for C₁₄H₁₄O (M⁺): 198.1045; Found: 198.1044.

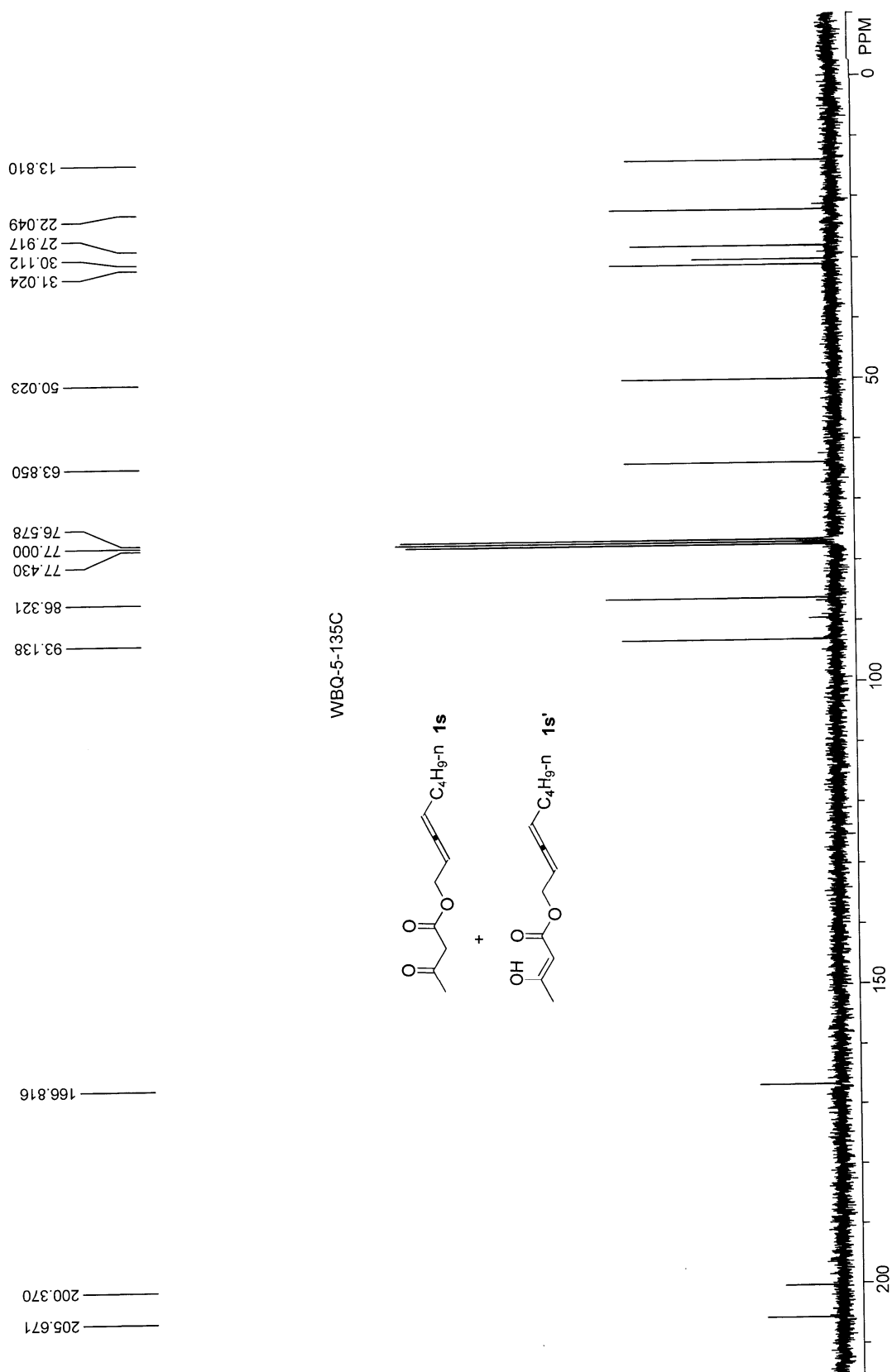
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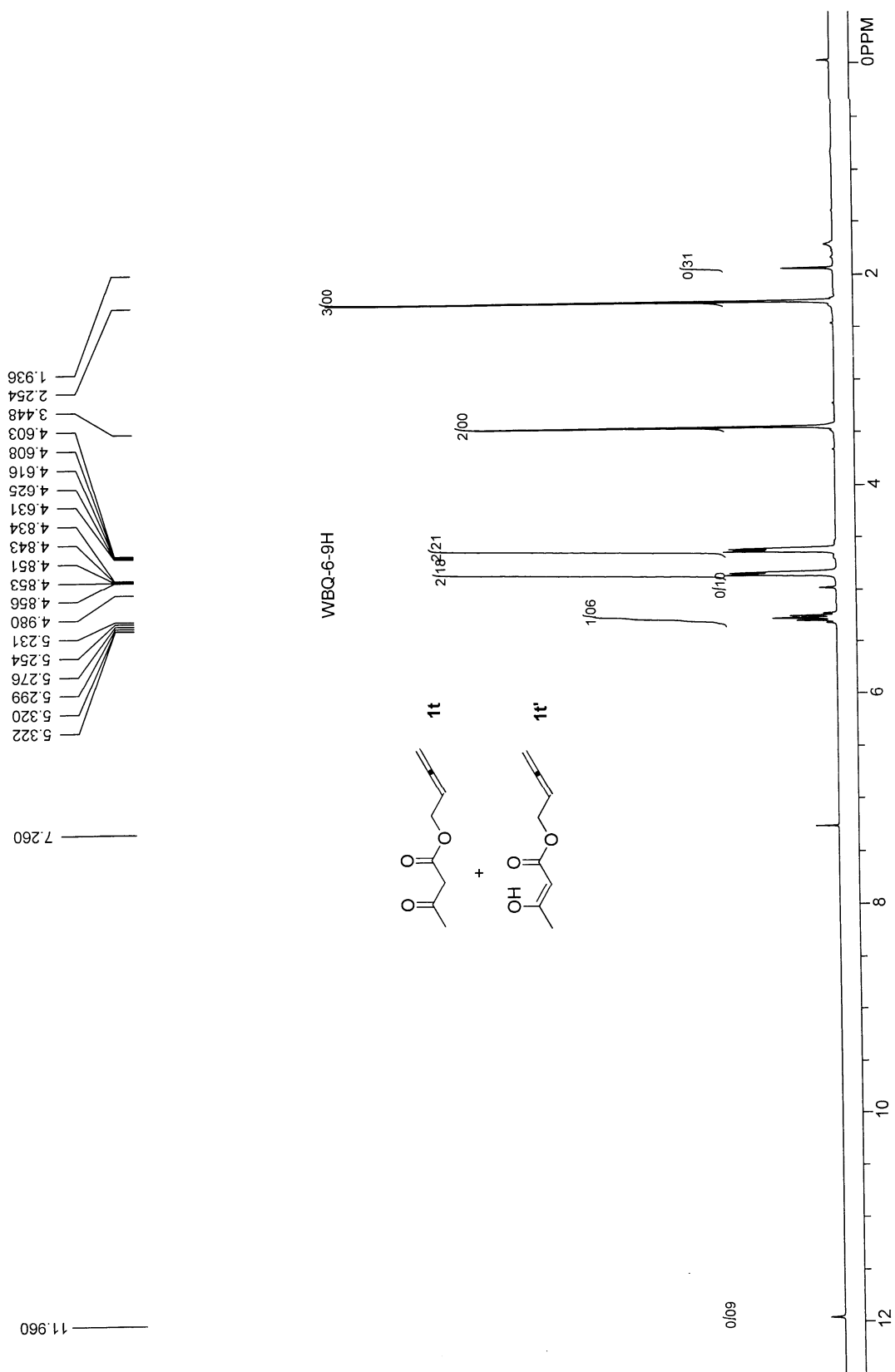
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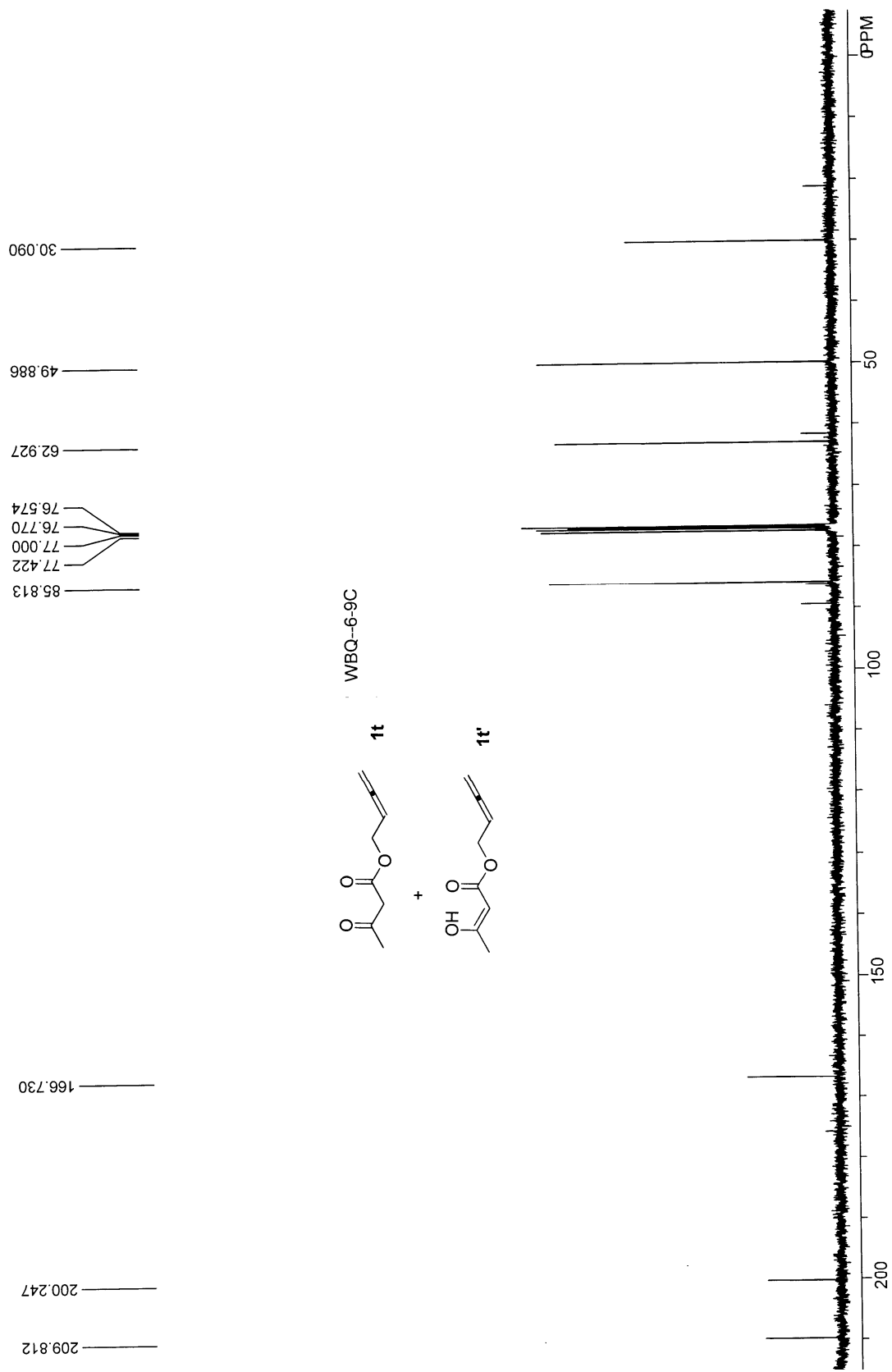


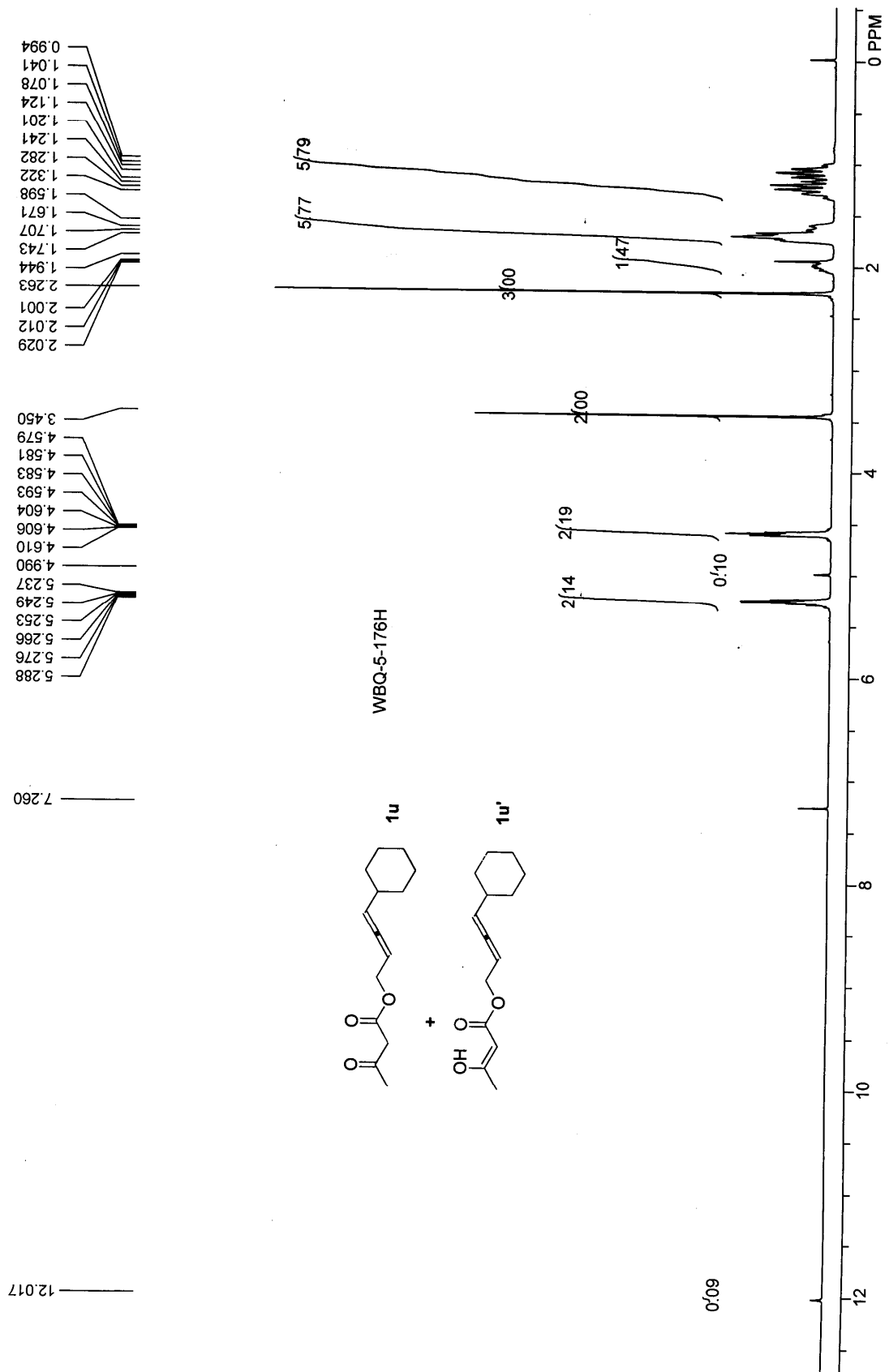


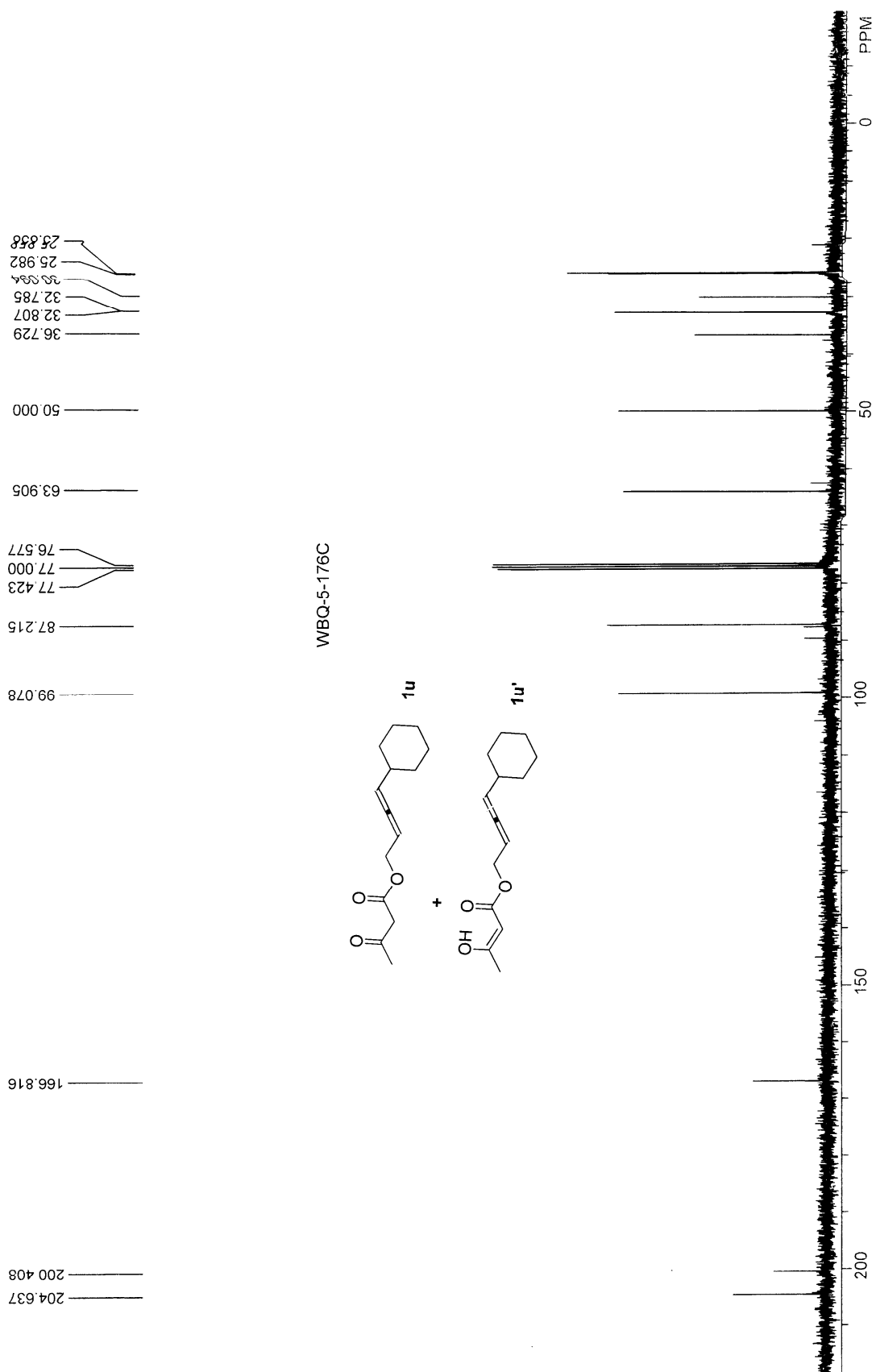


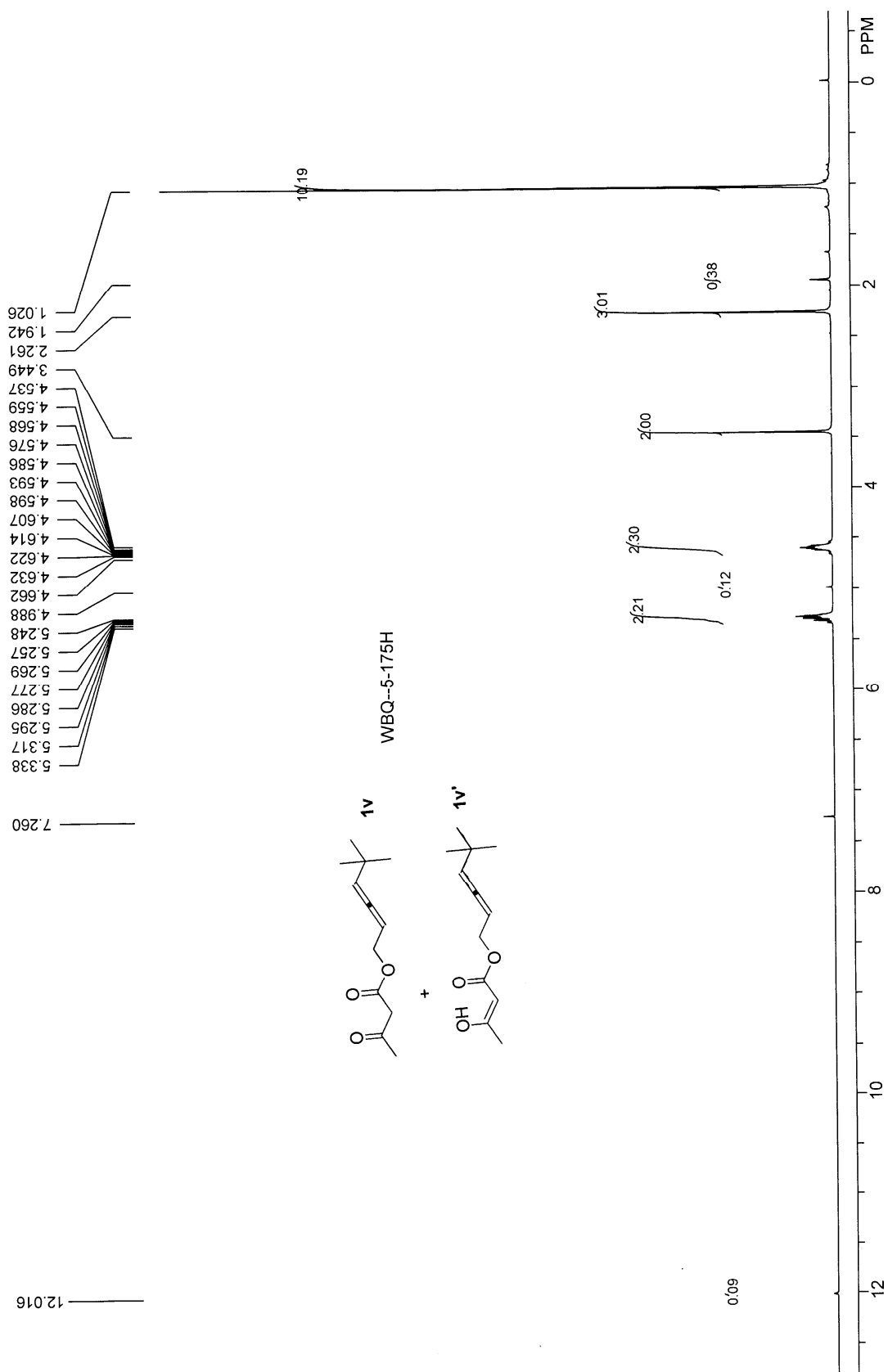


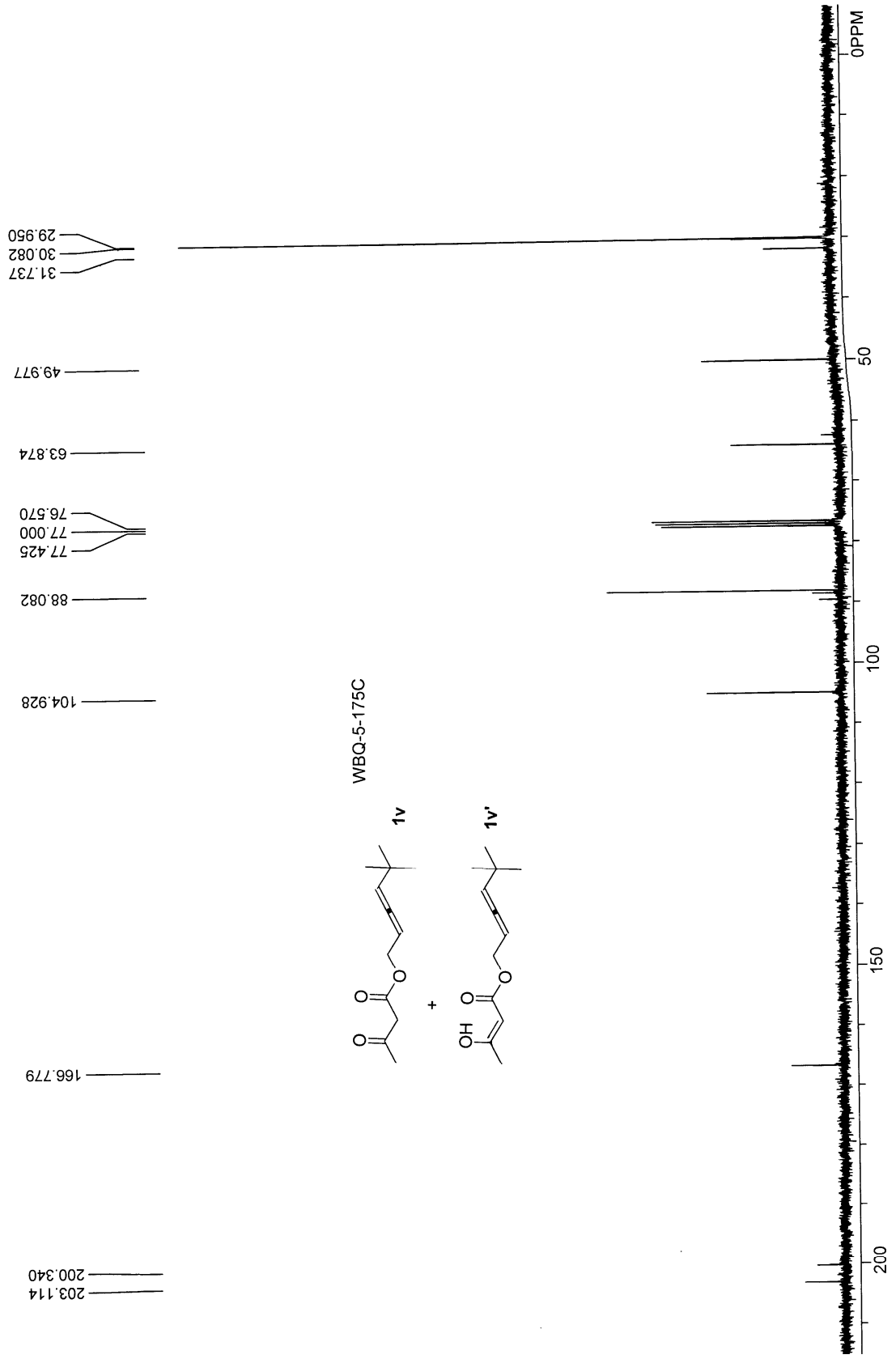


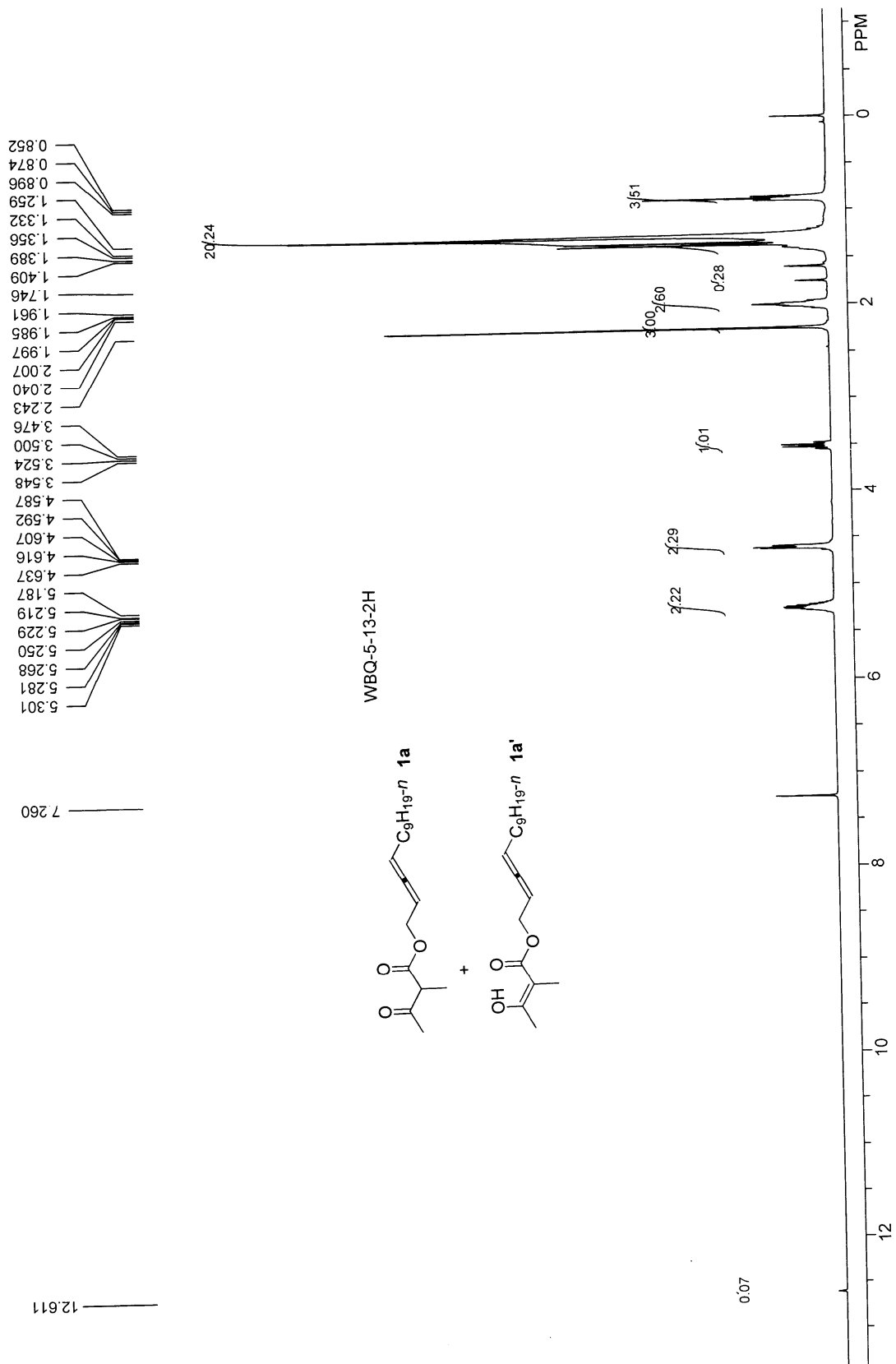


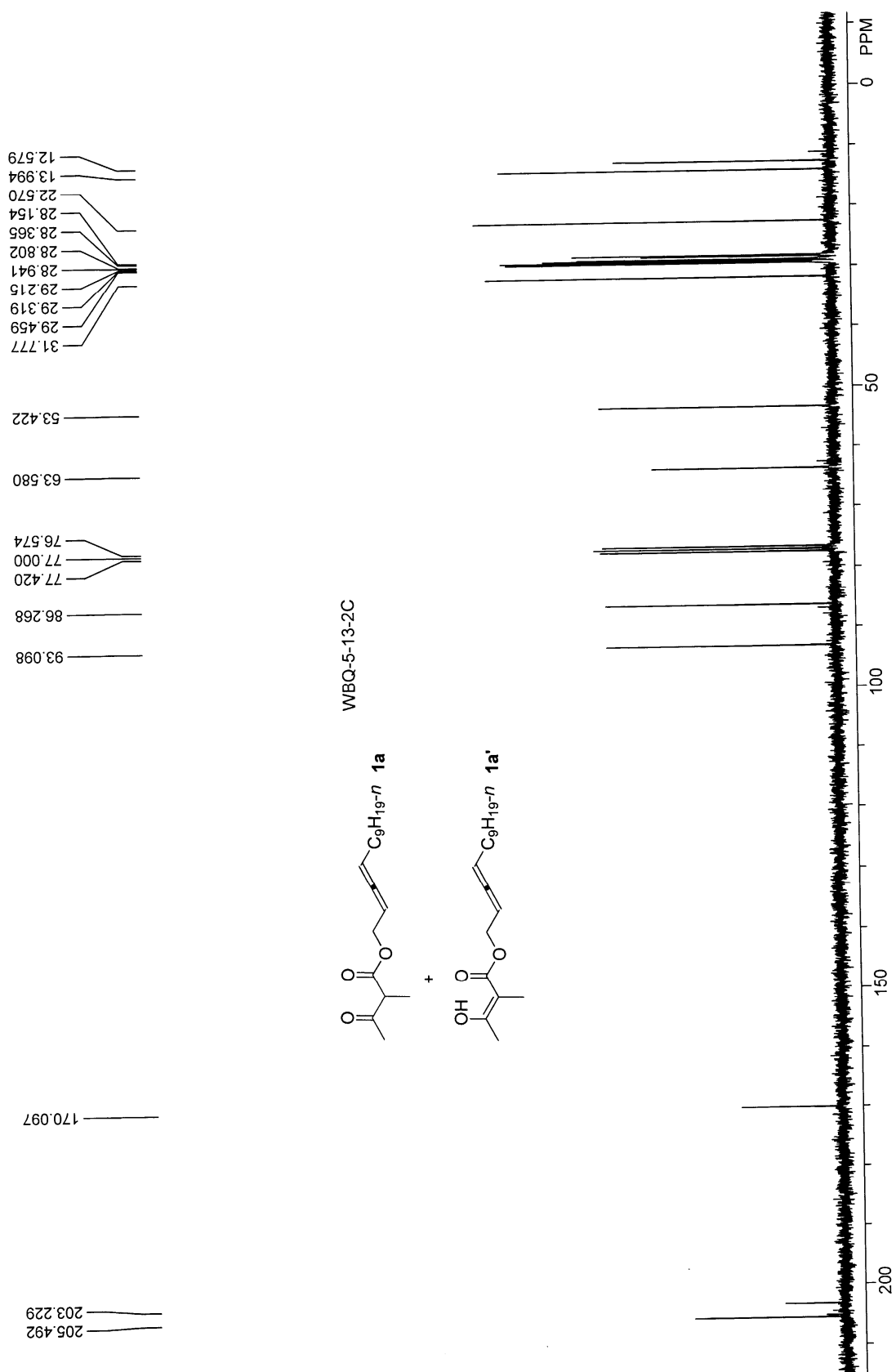


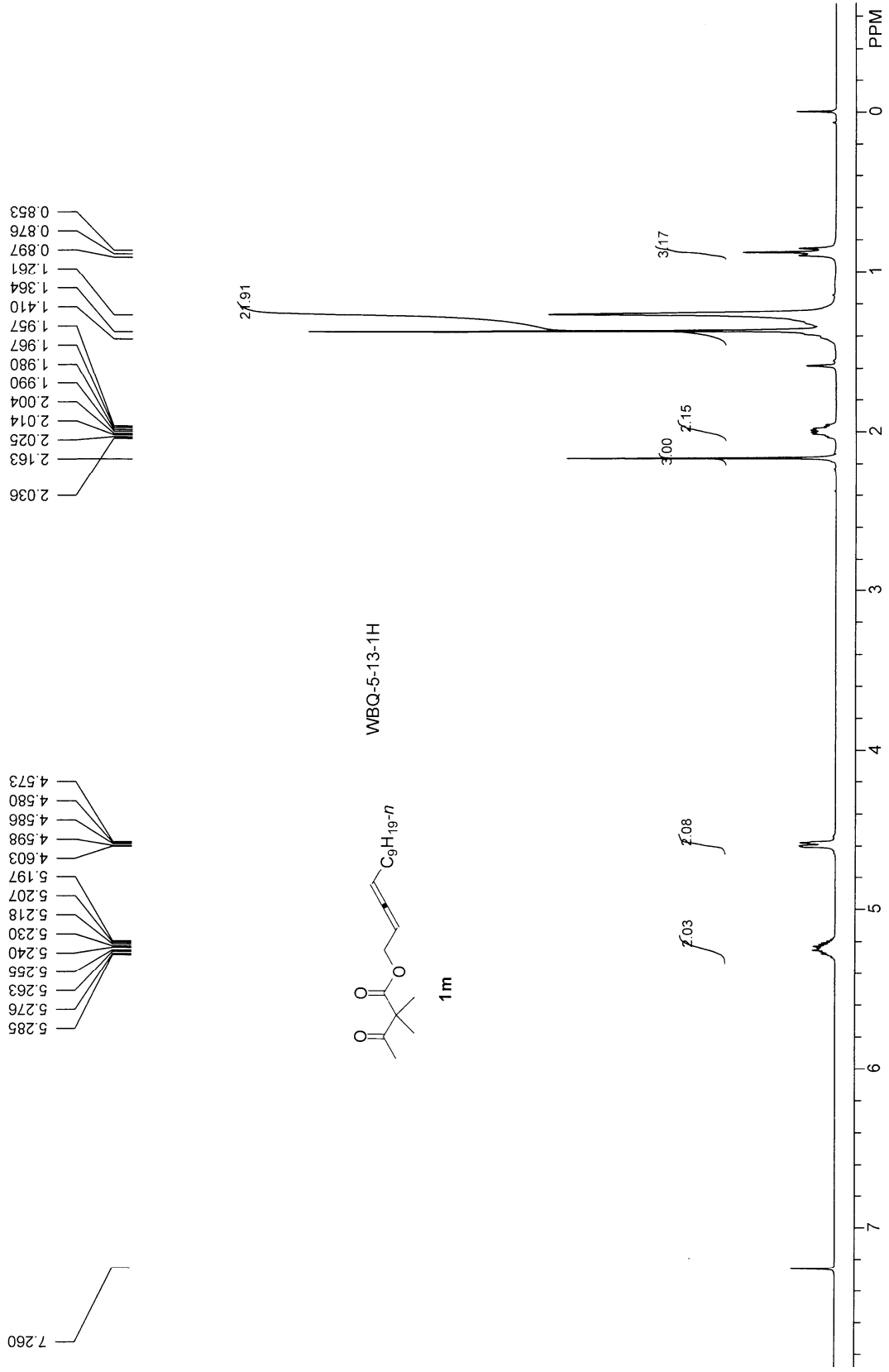


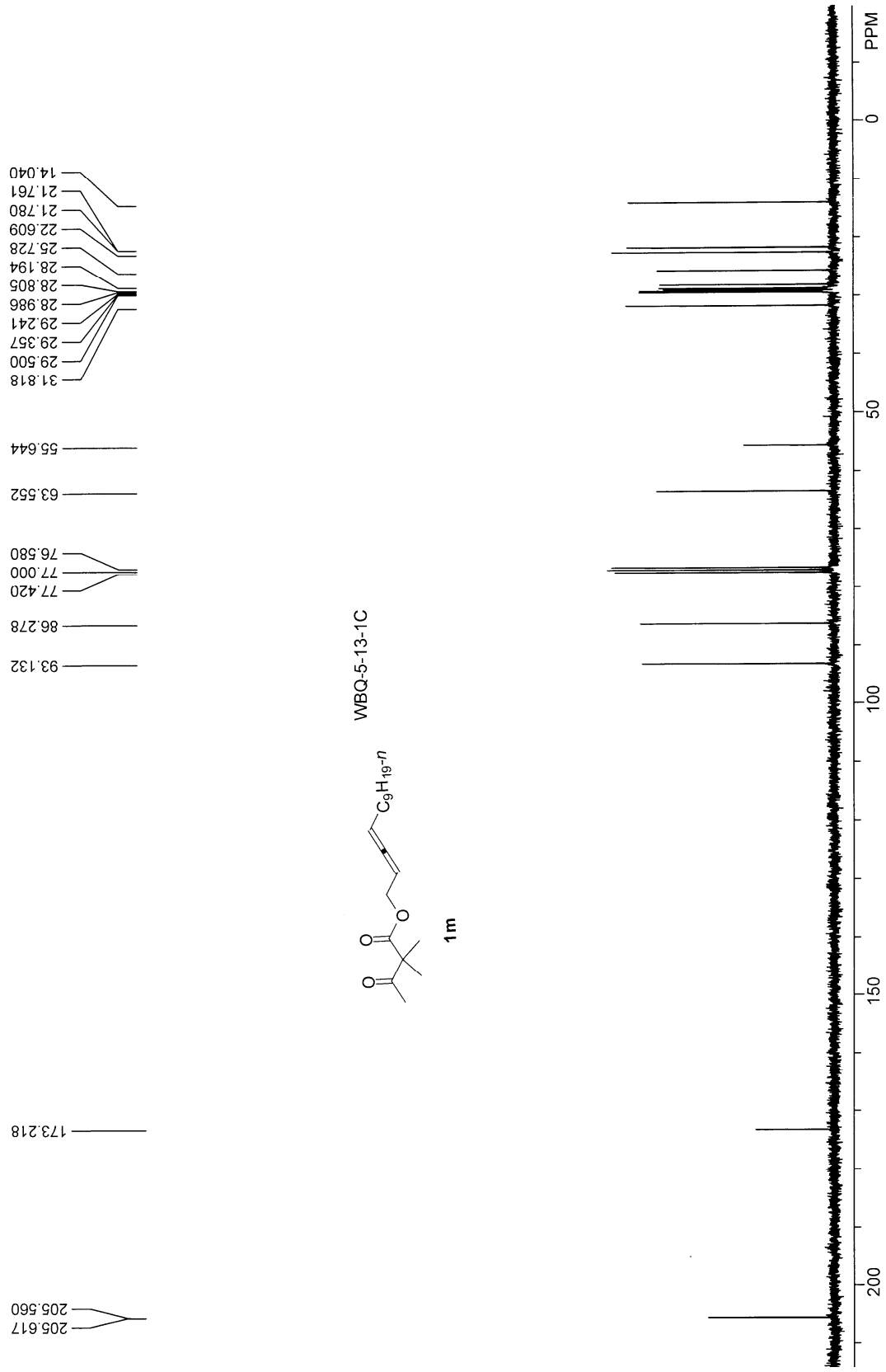


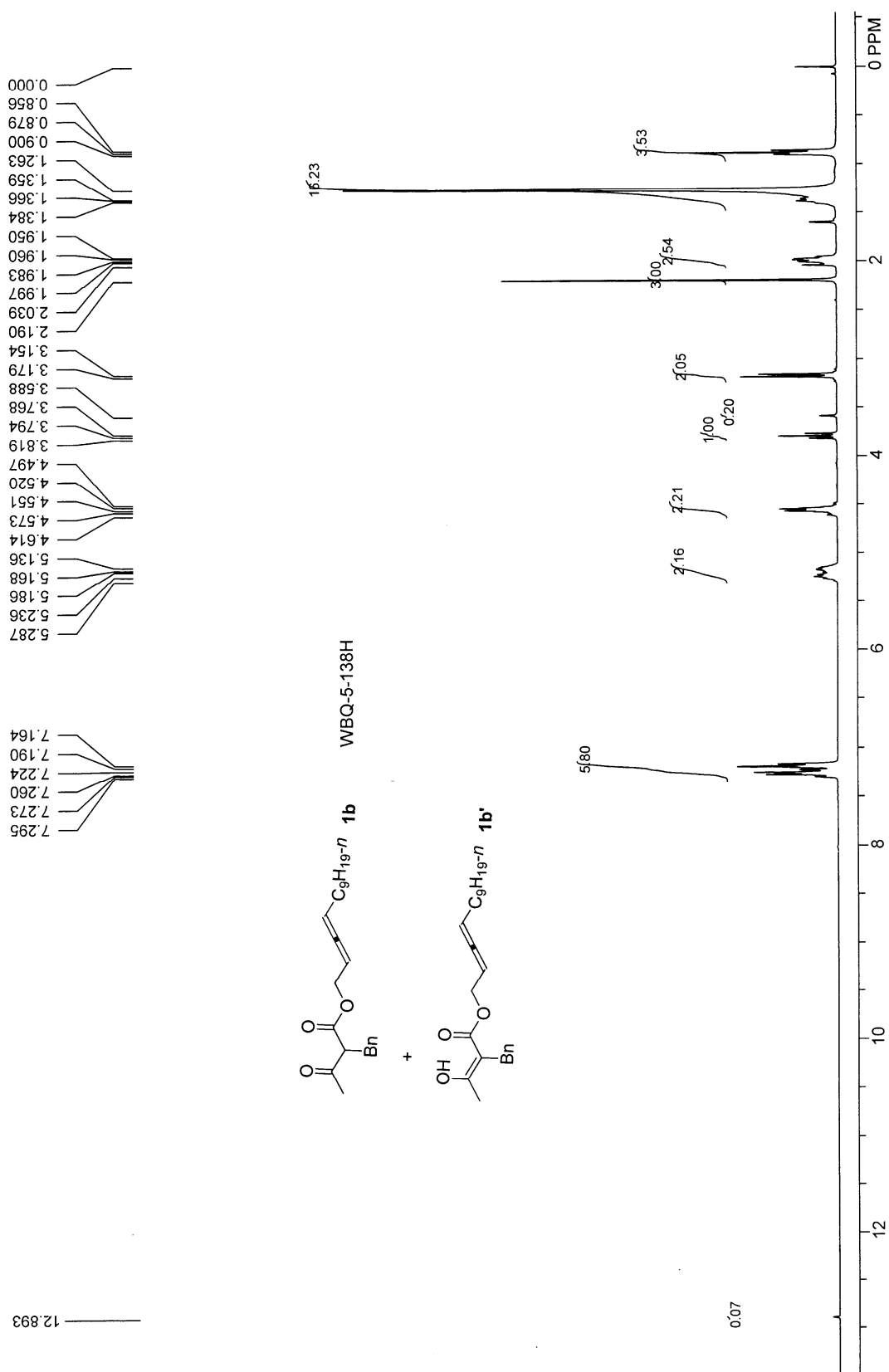


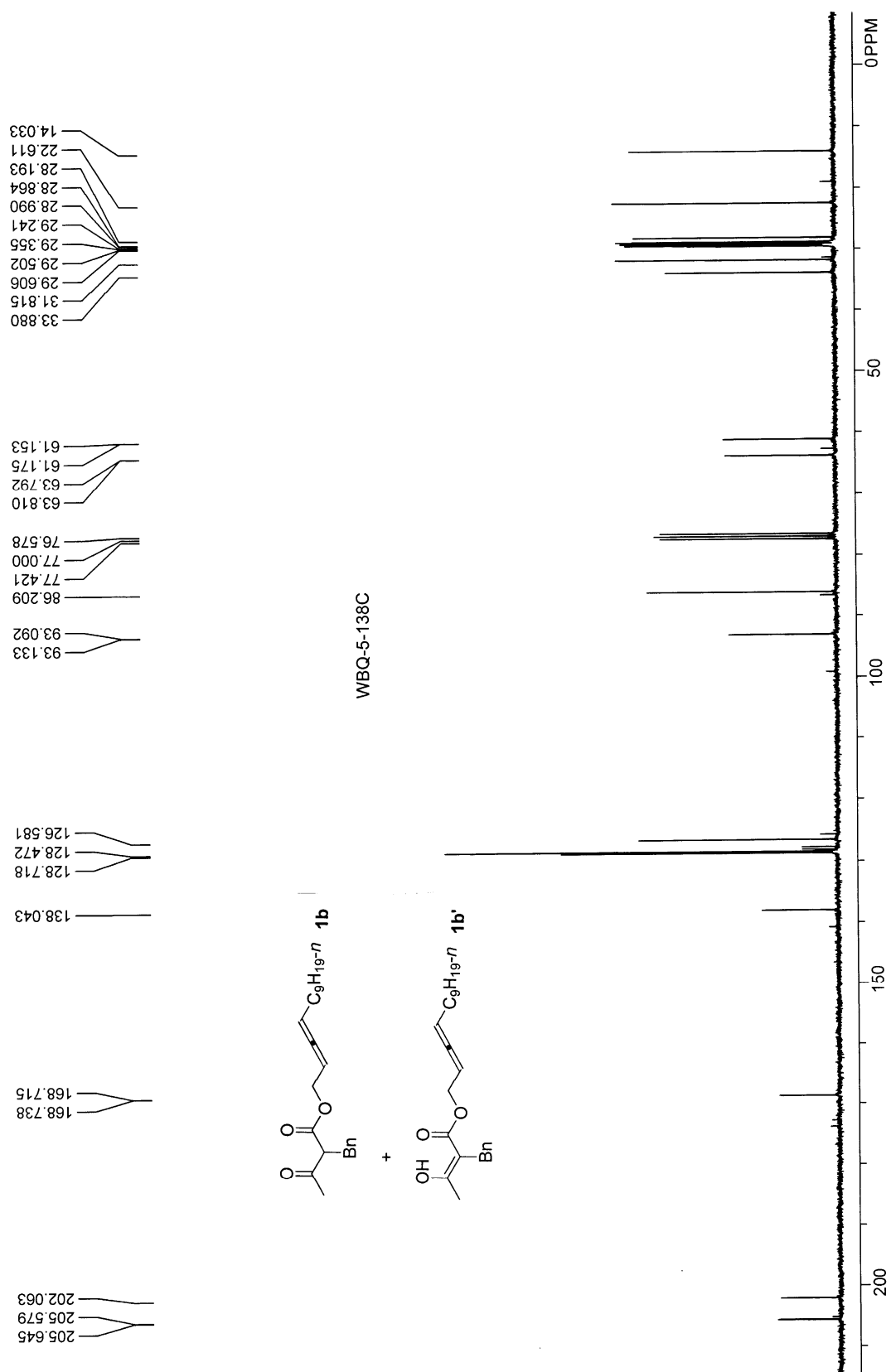


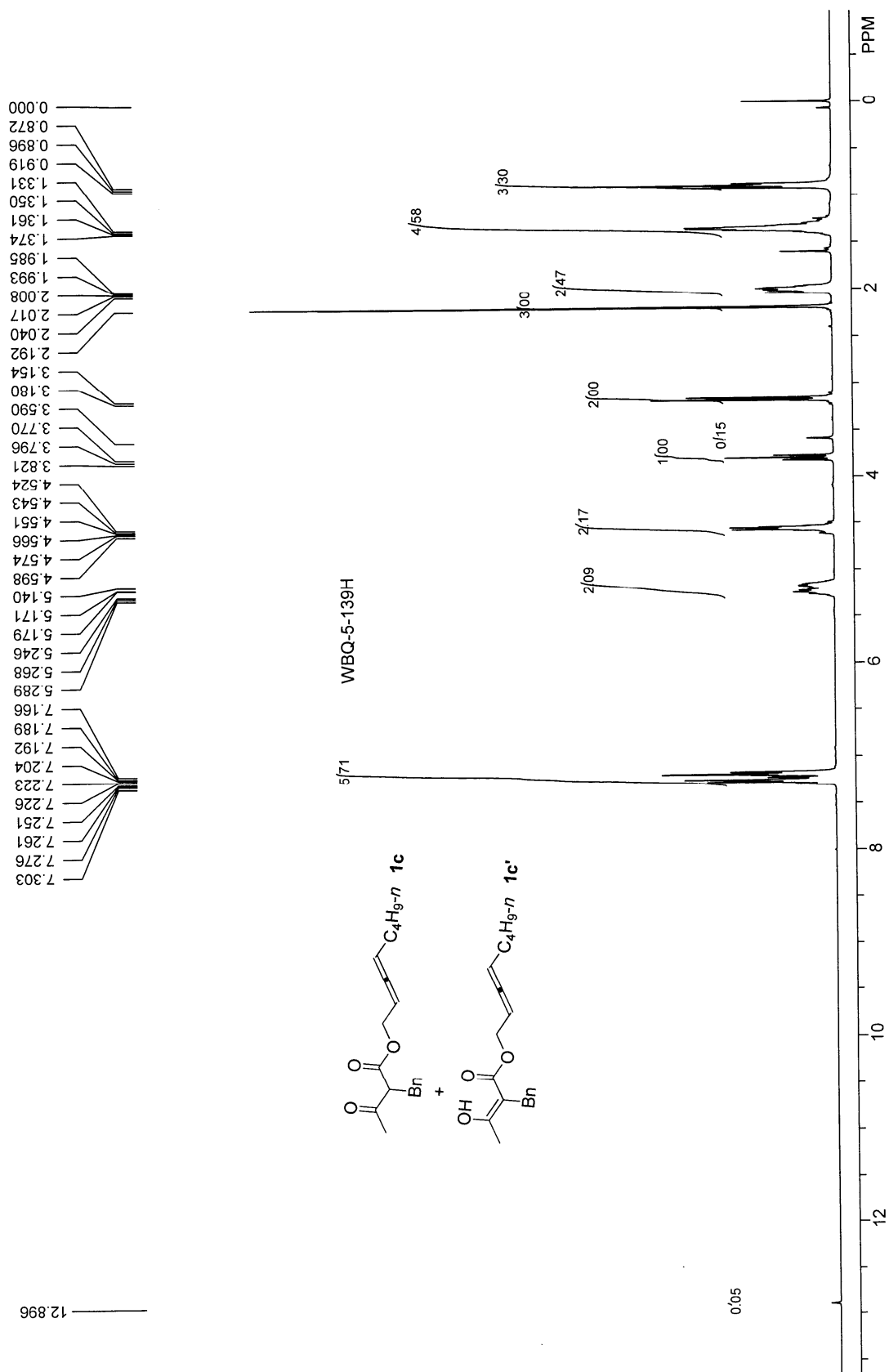


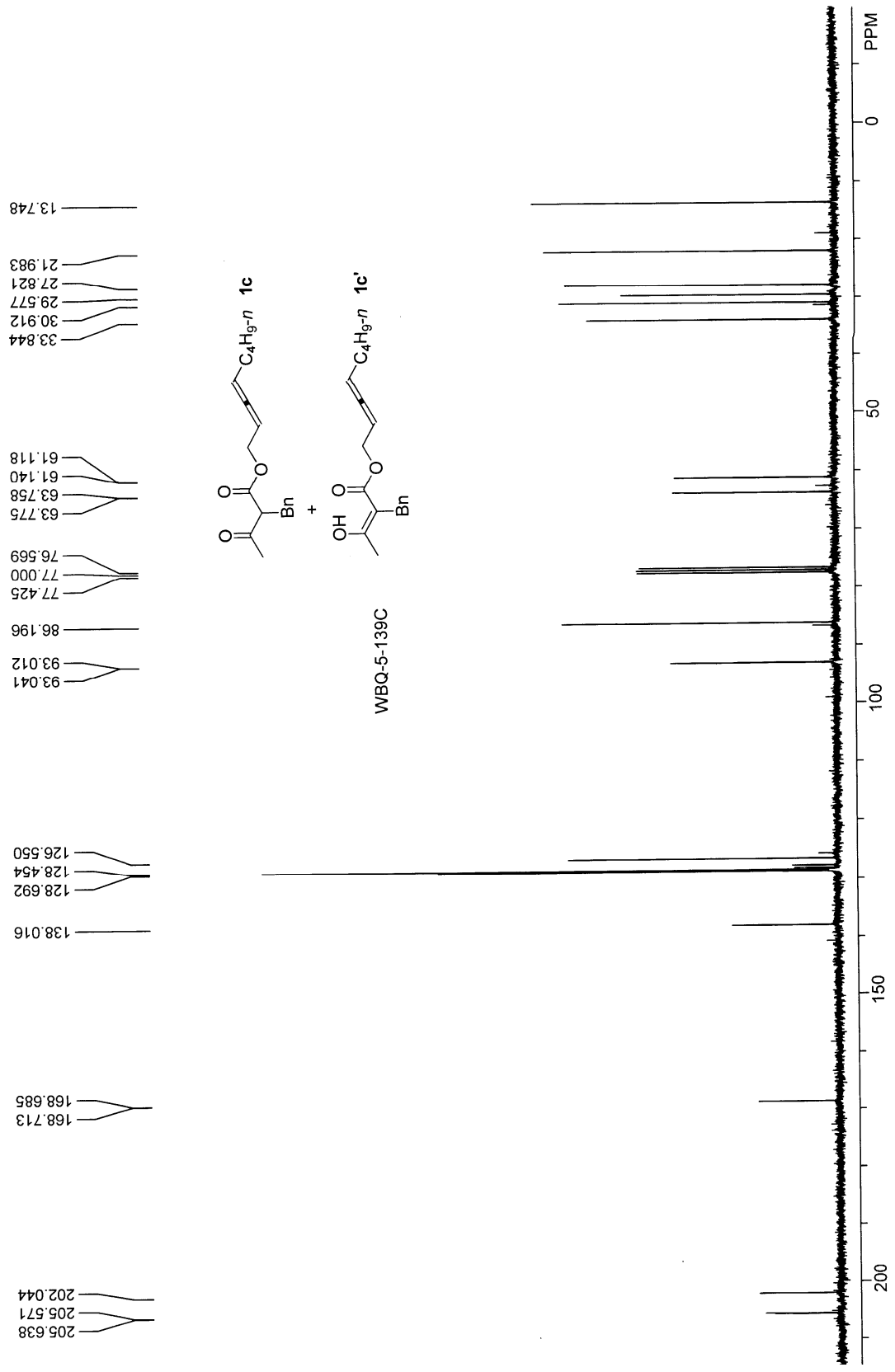


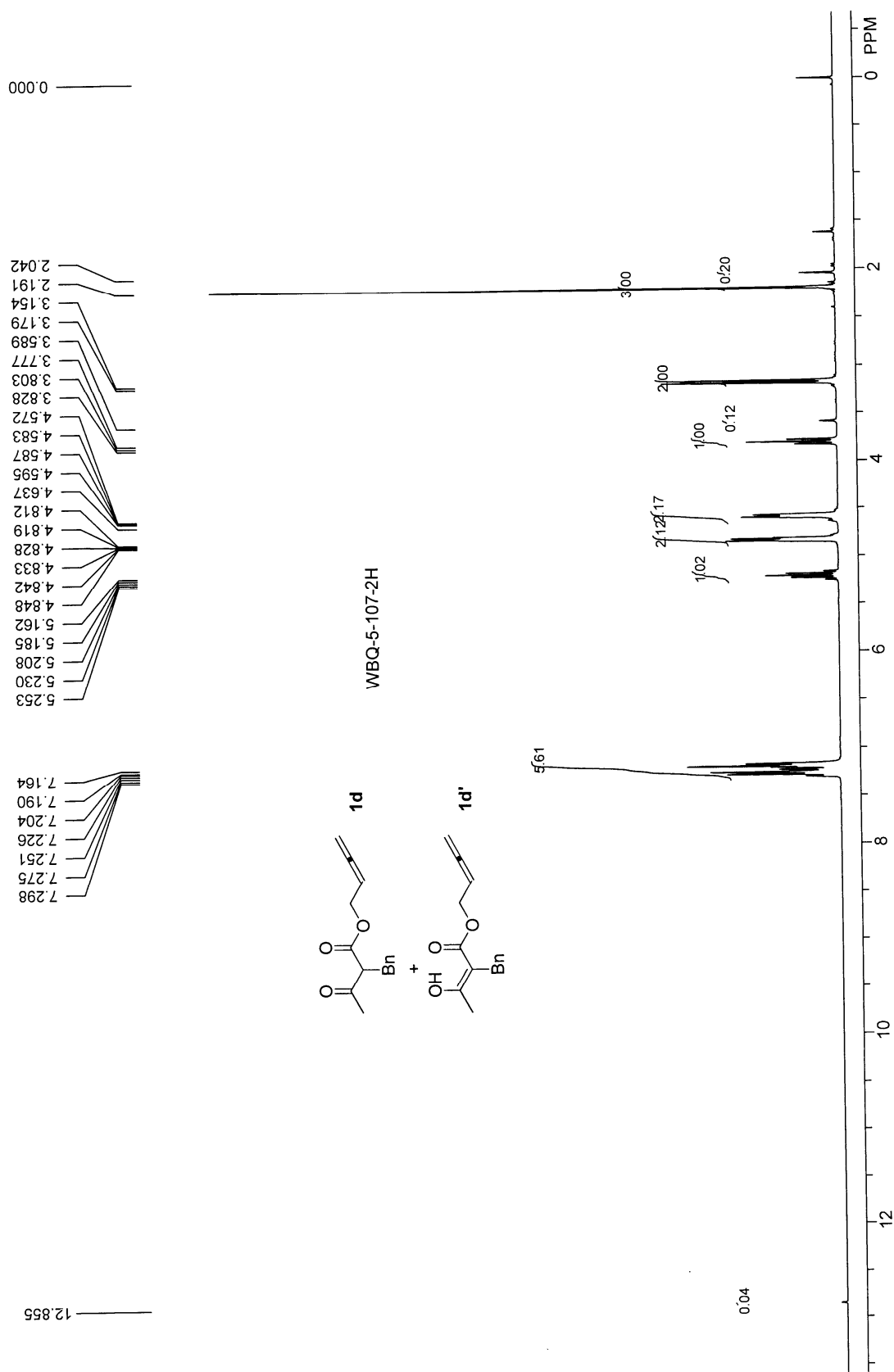


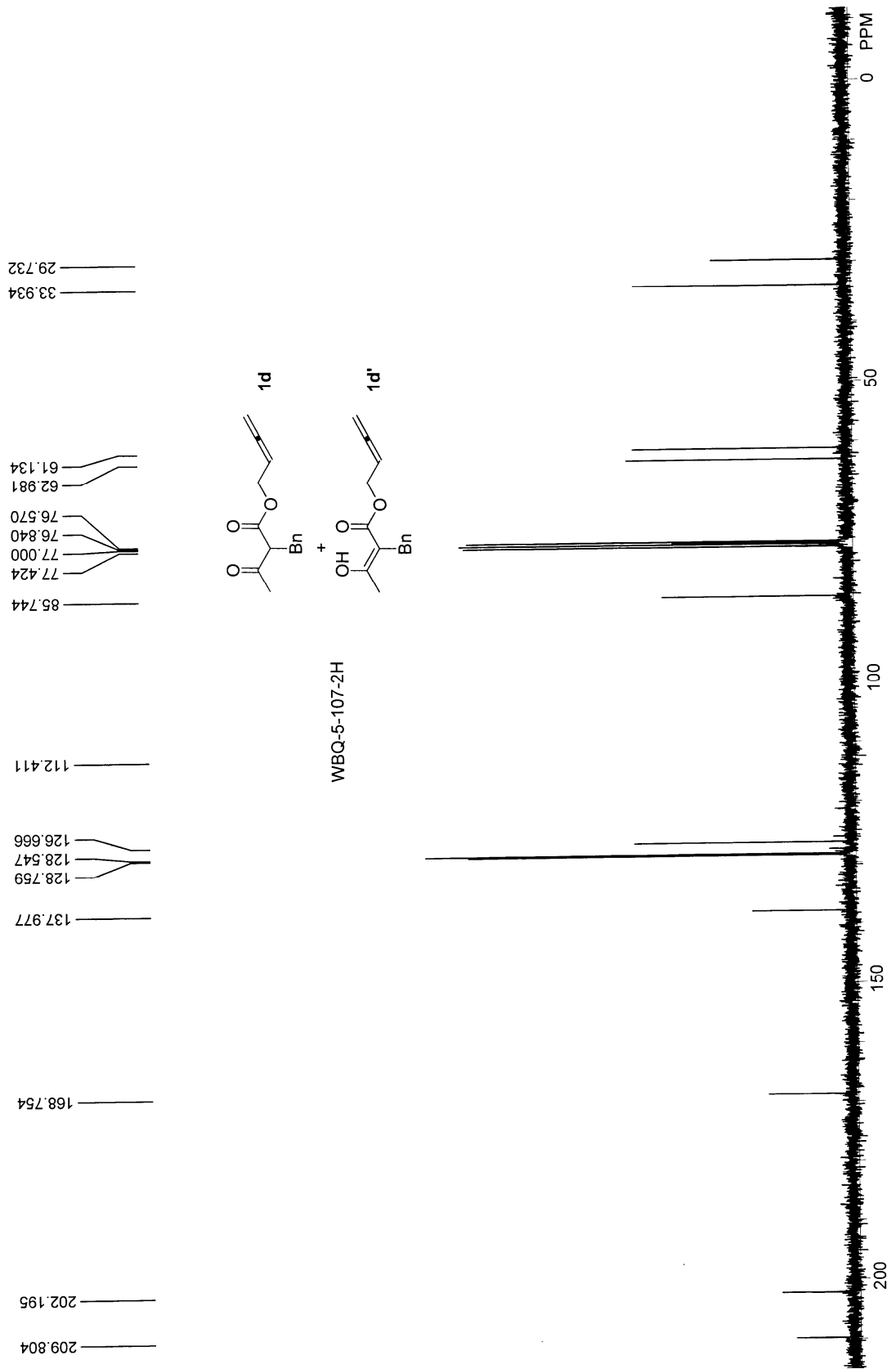


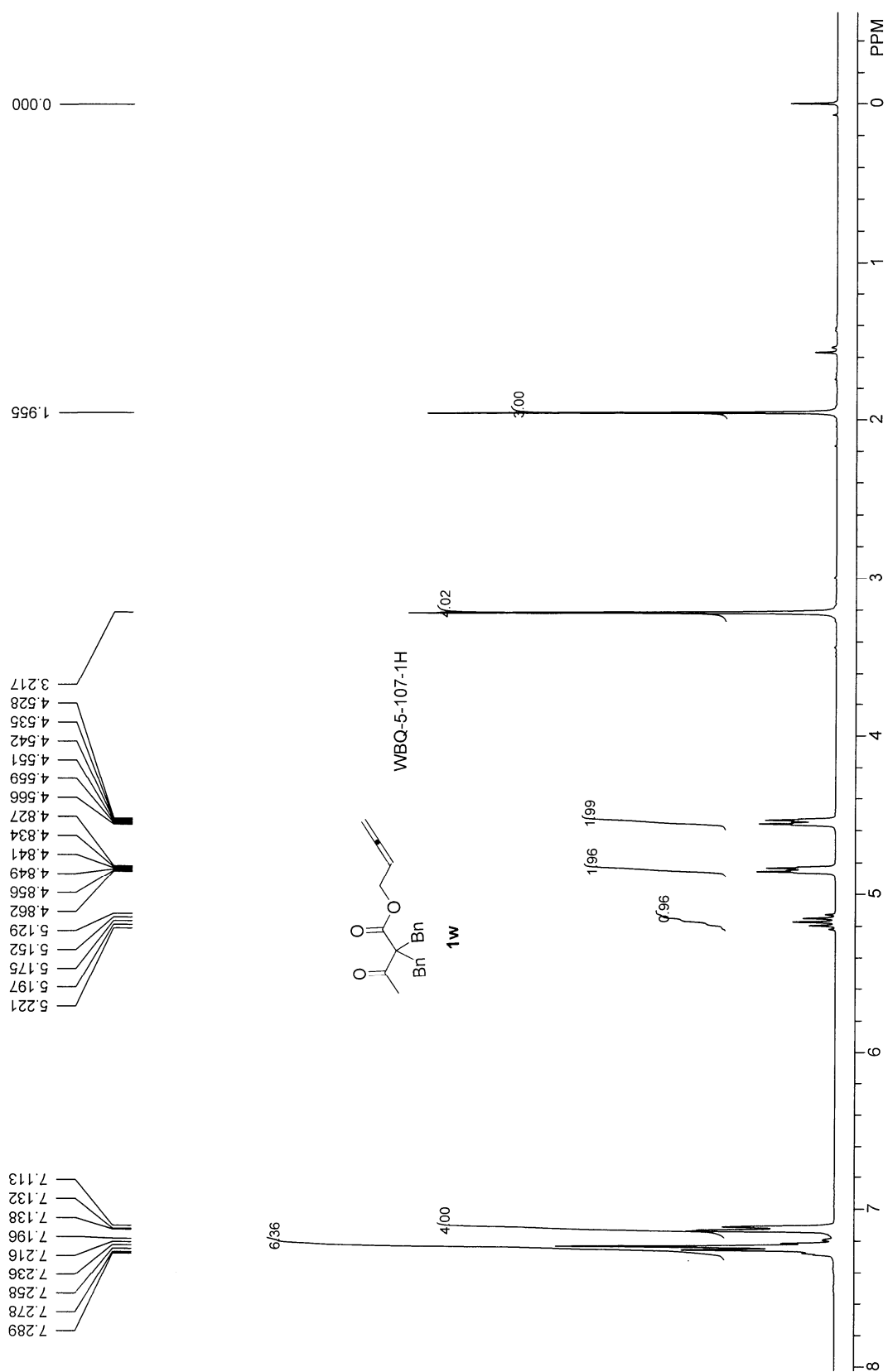


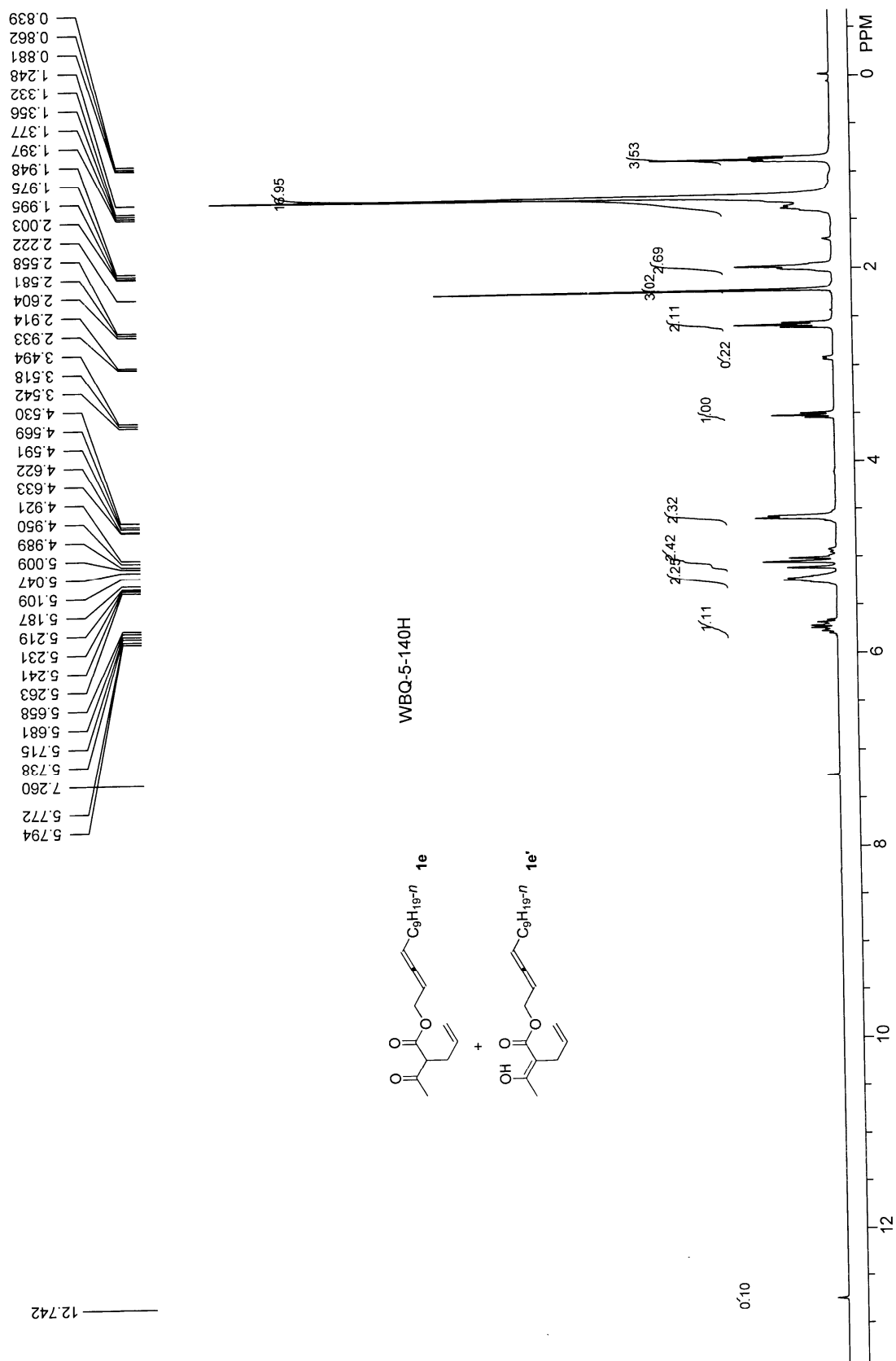


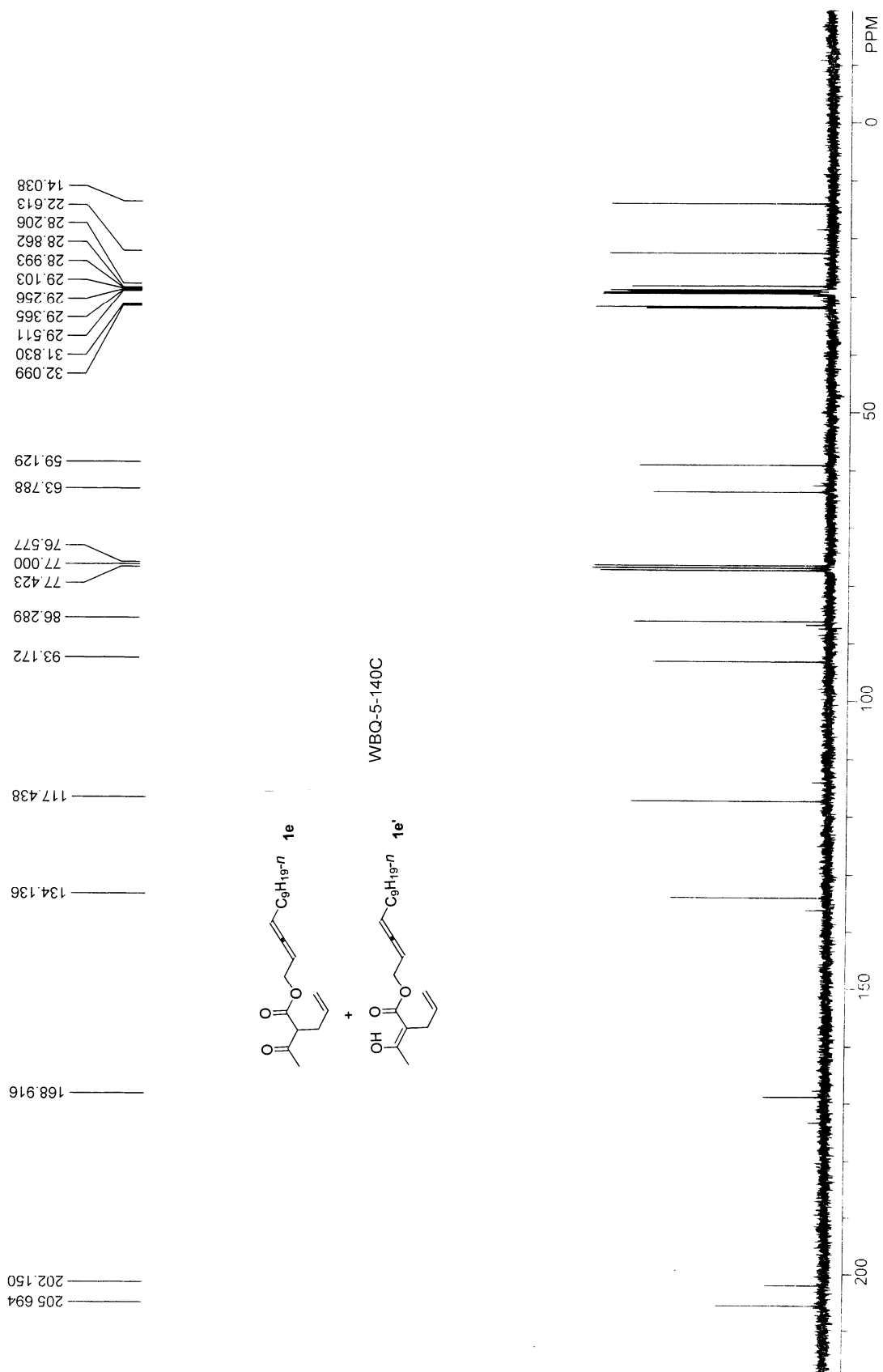


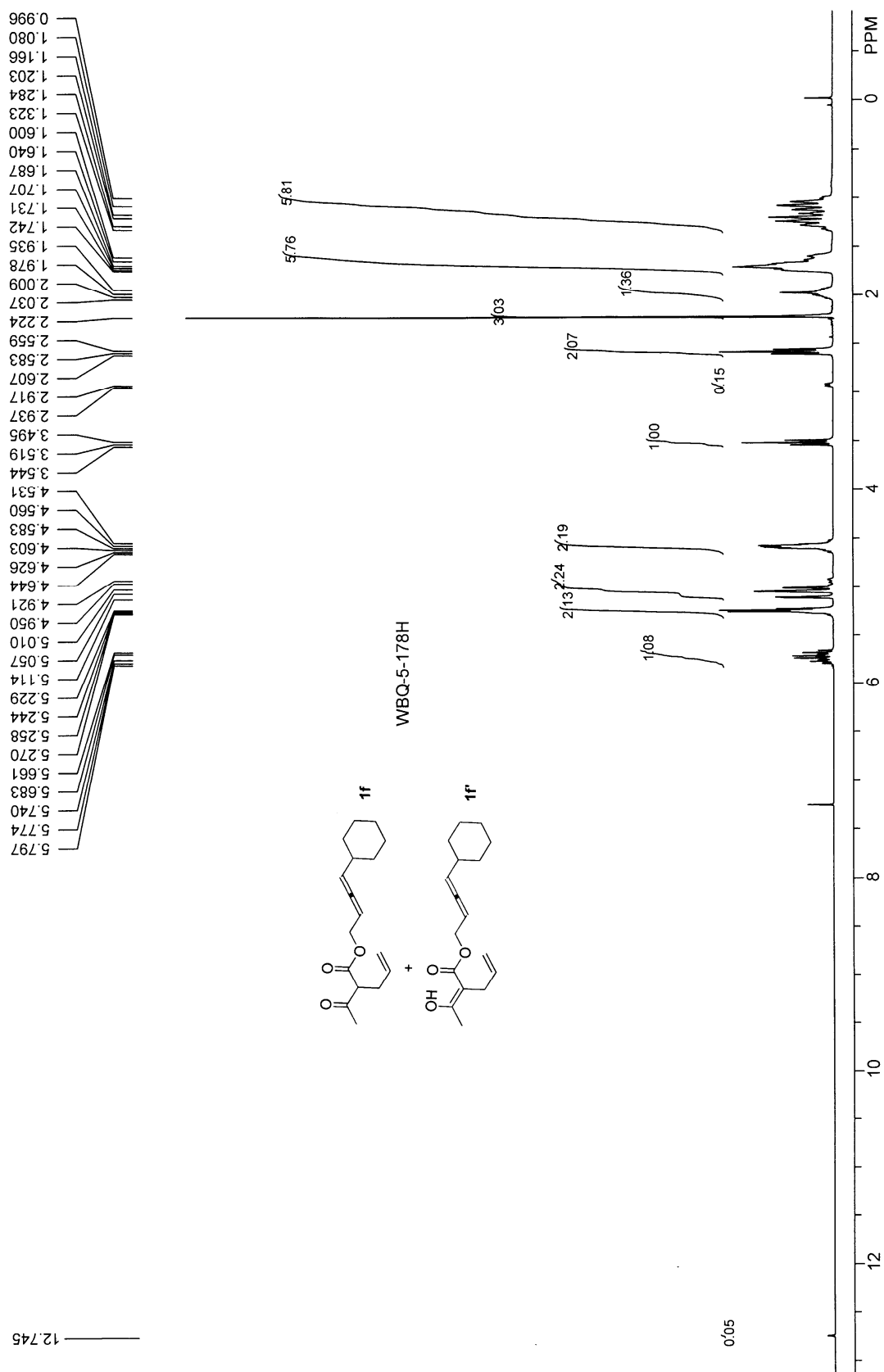


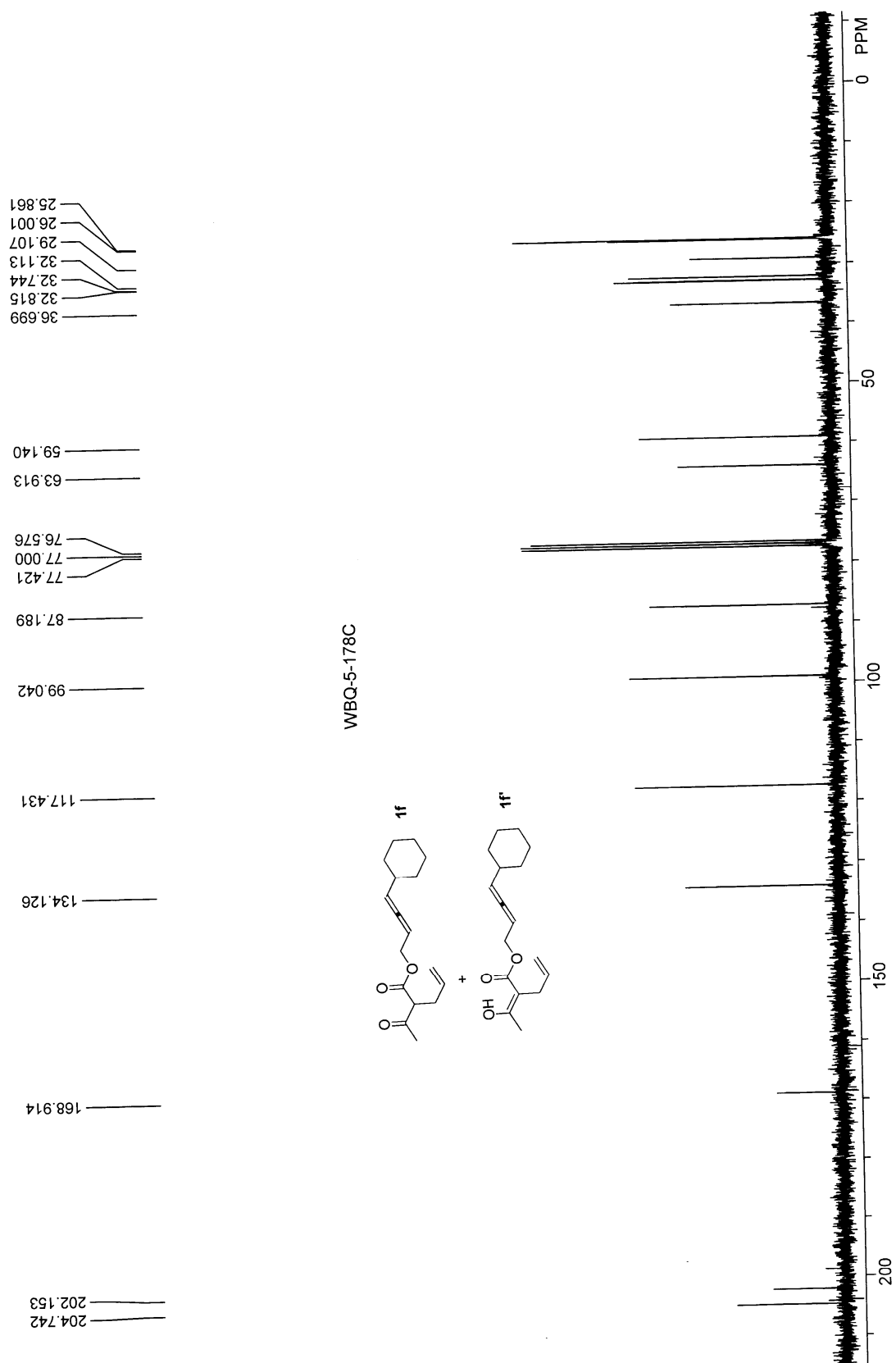


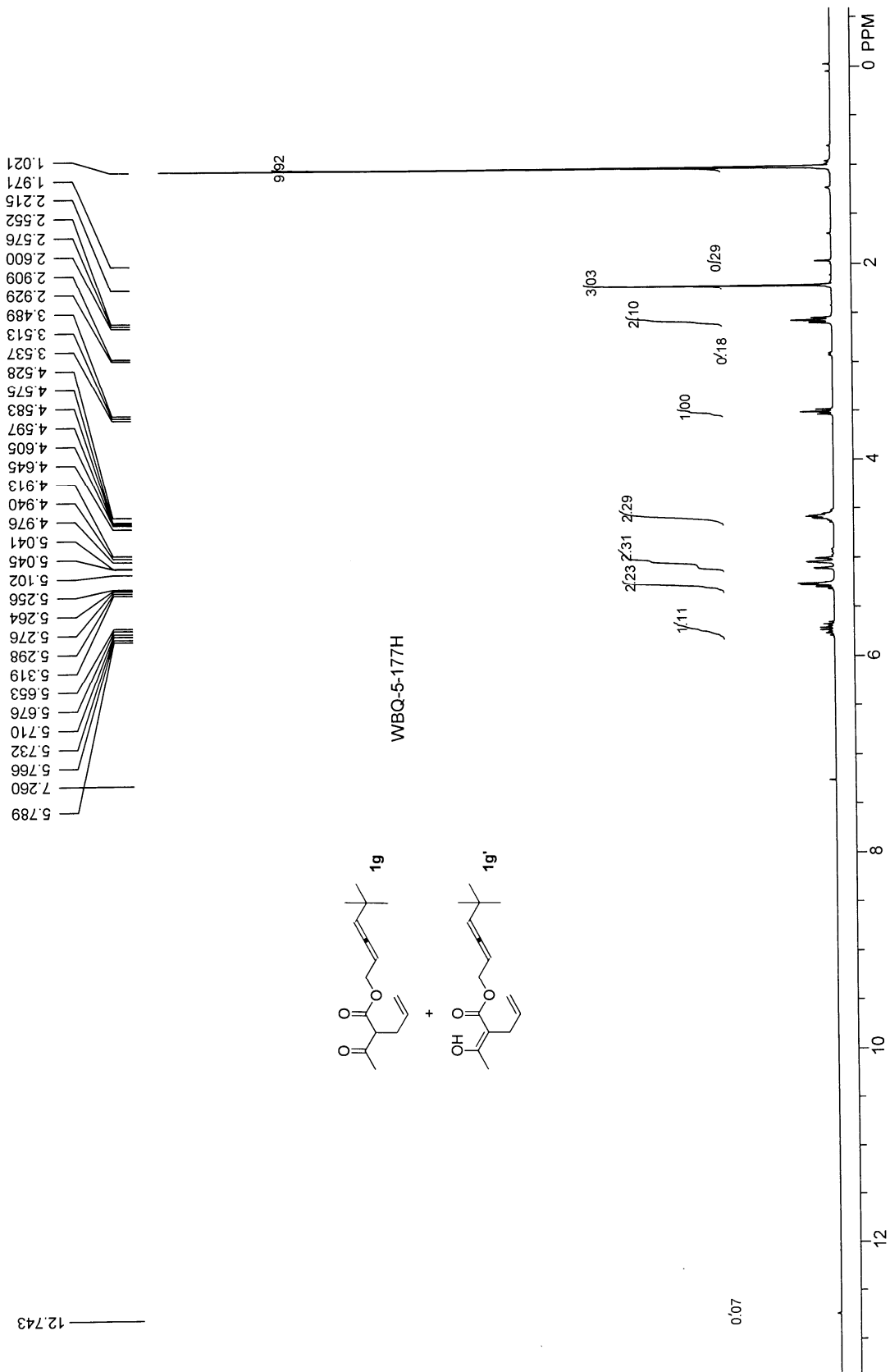


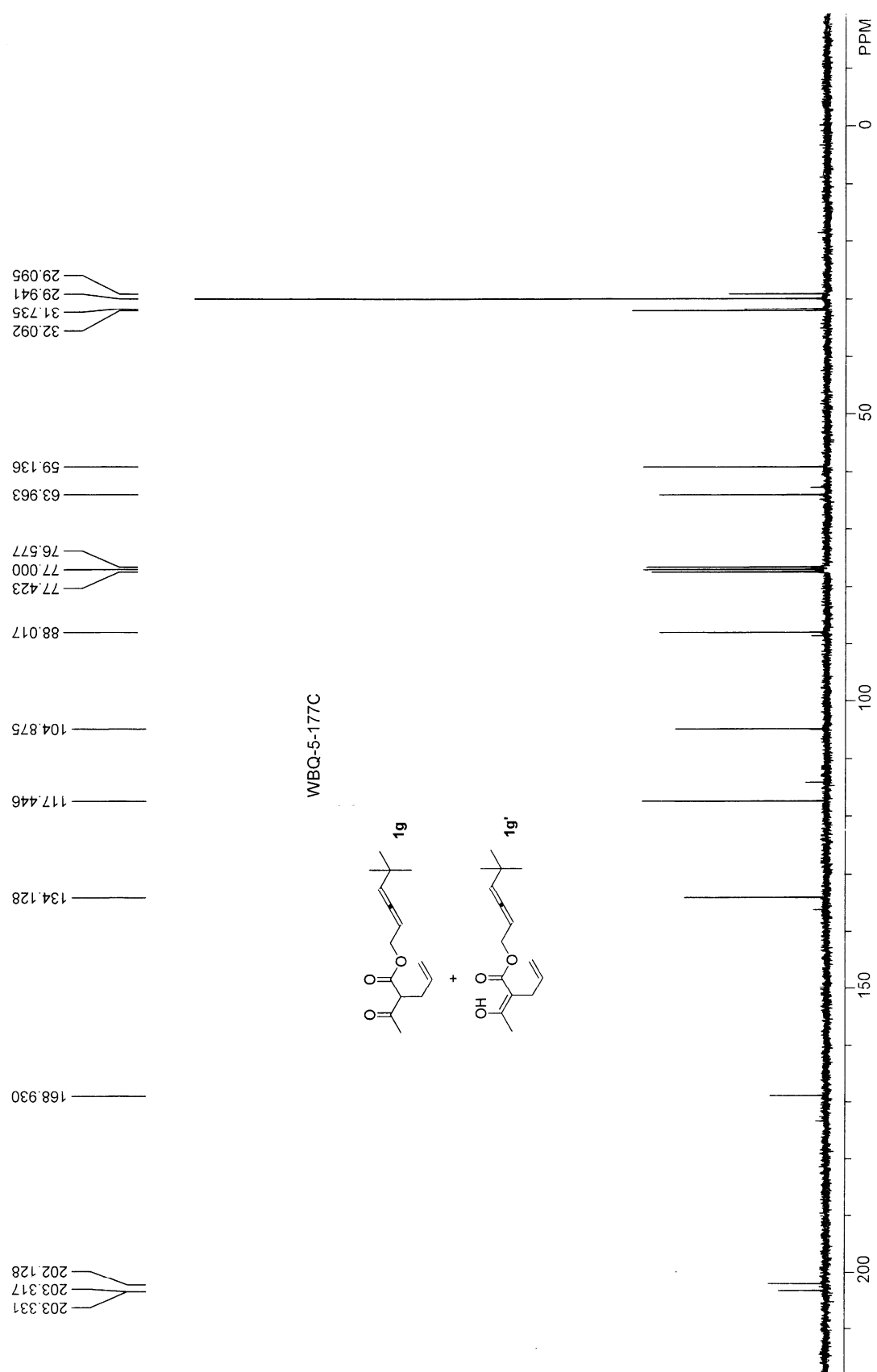


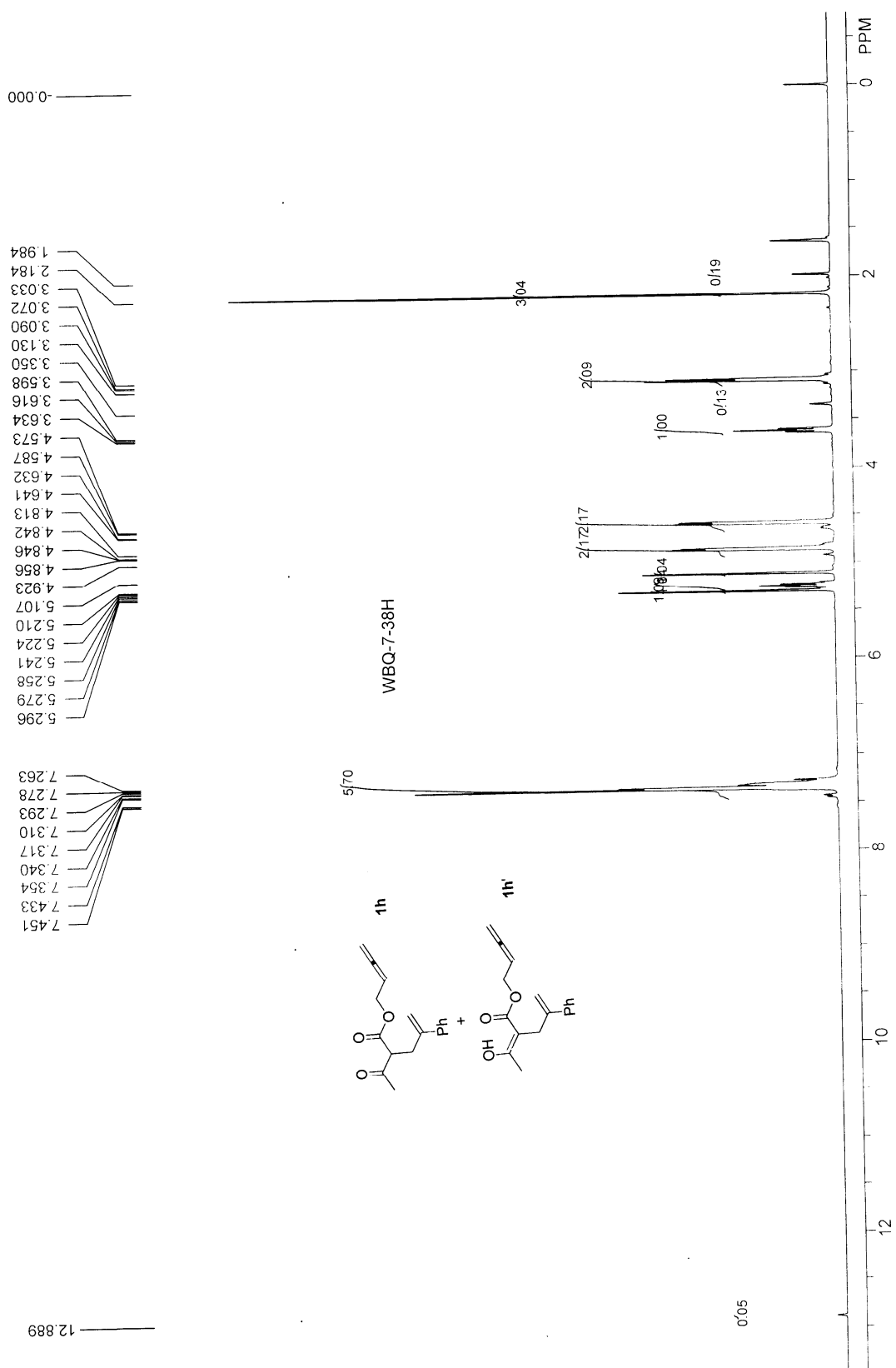






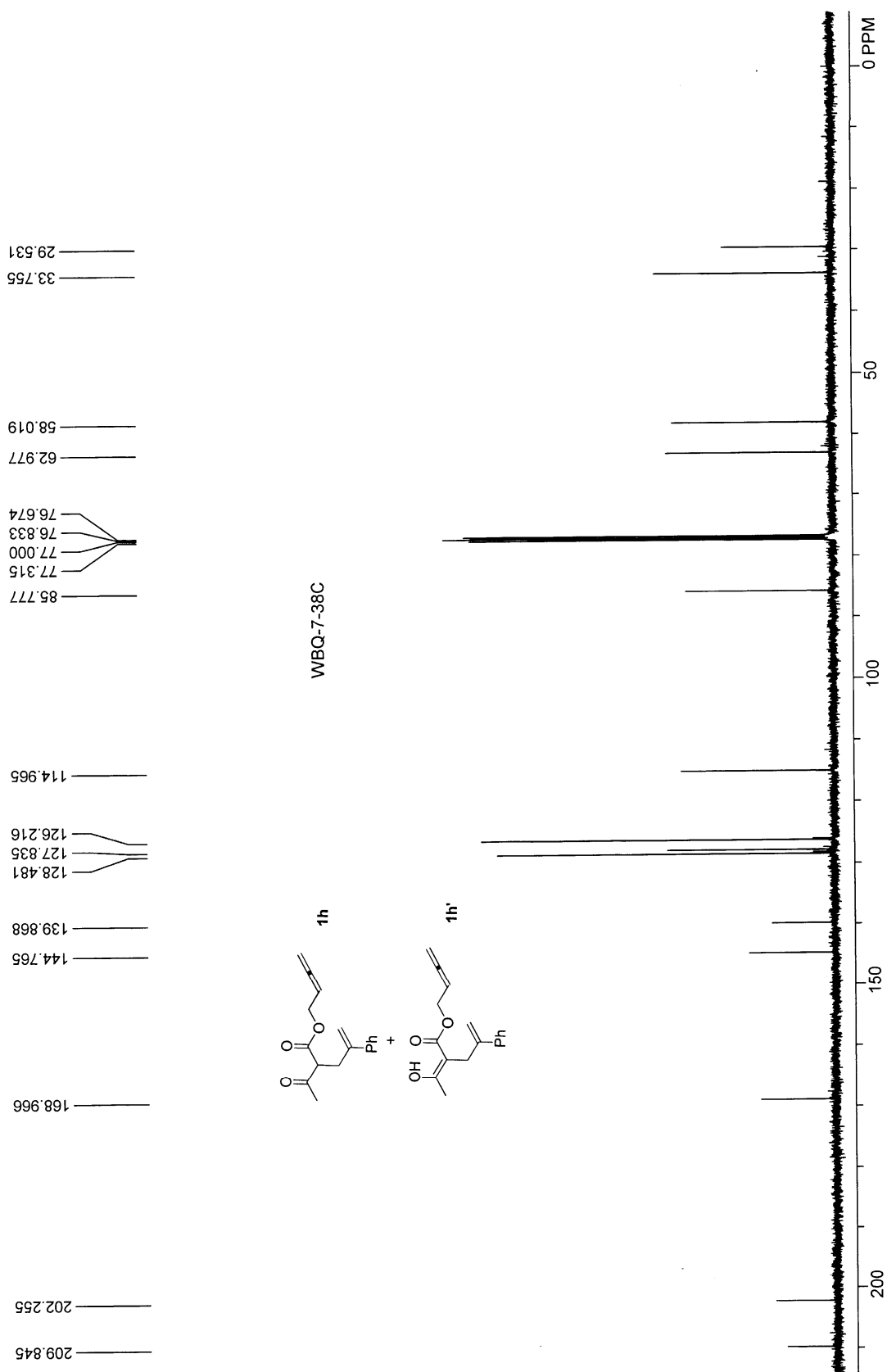


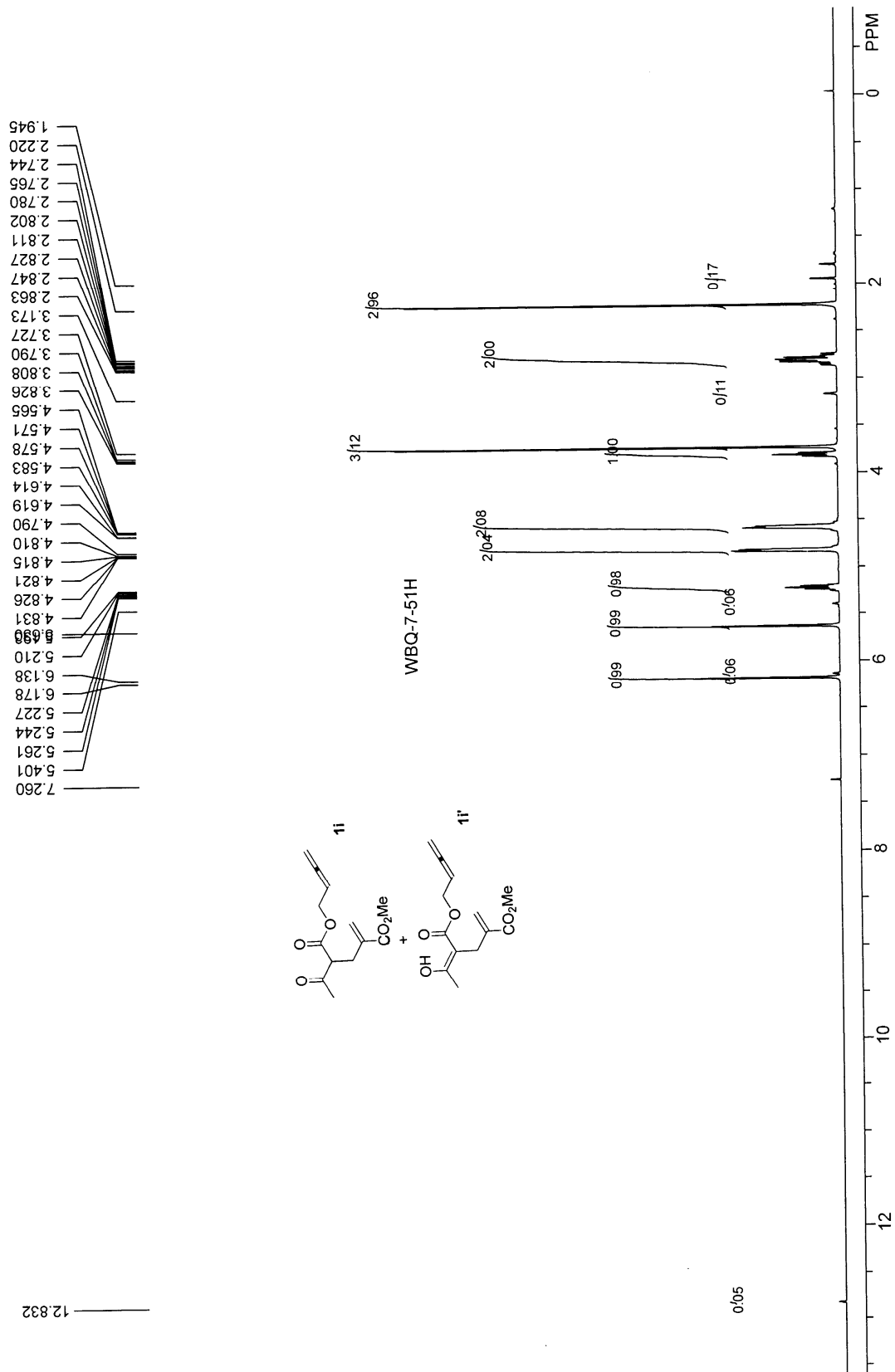


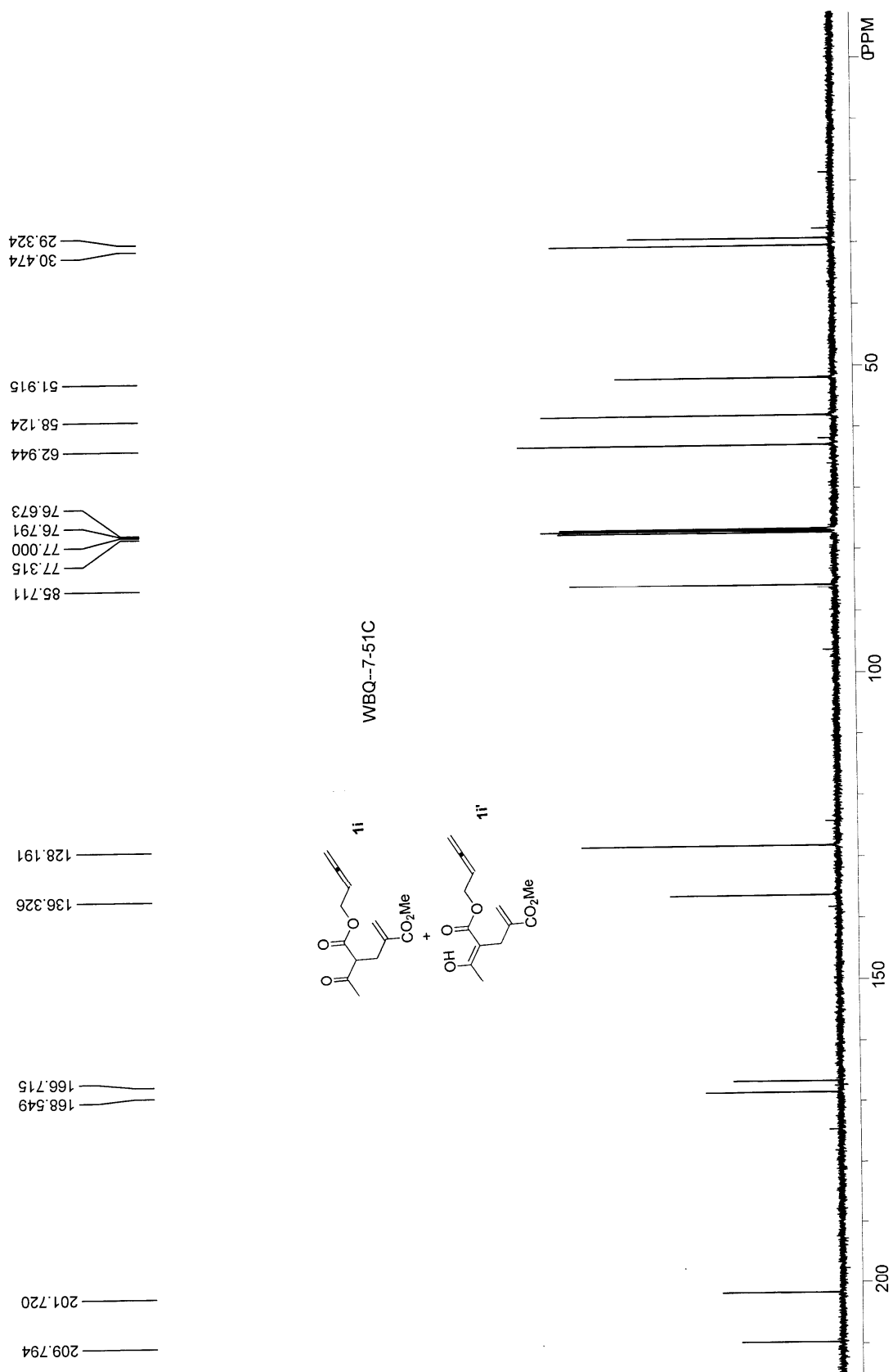


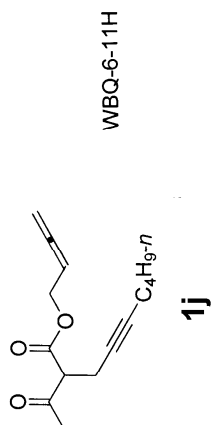
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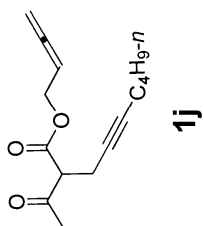
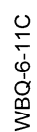


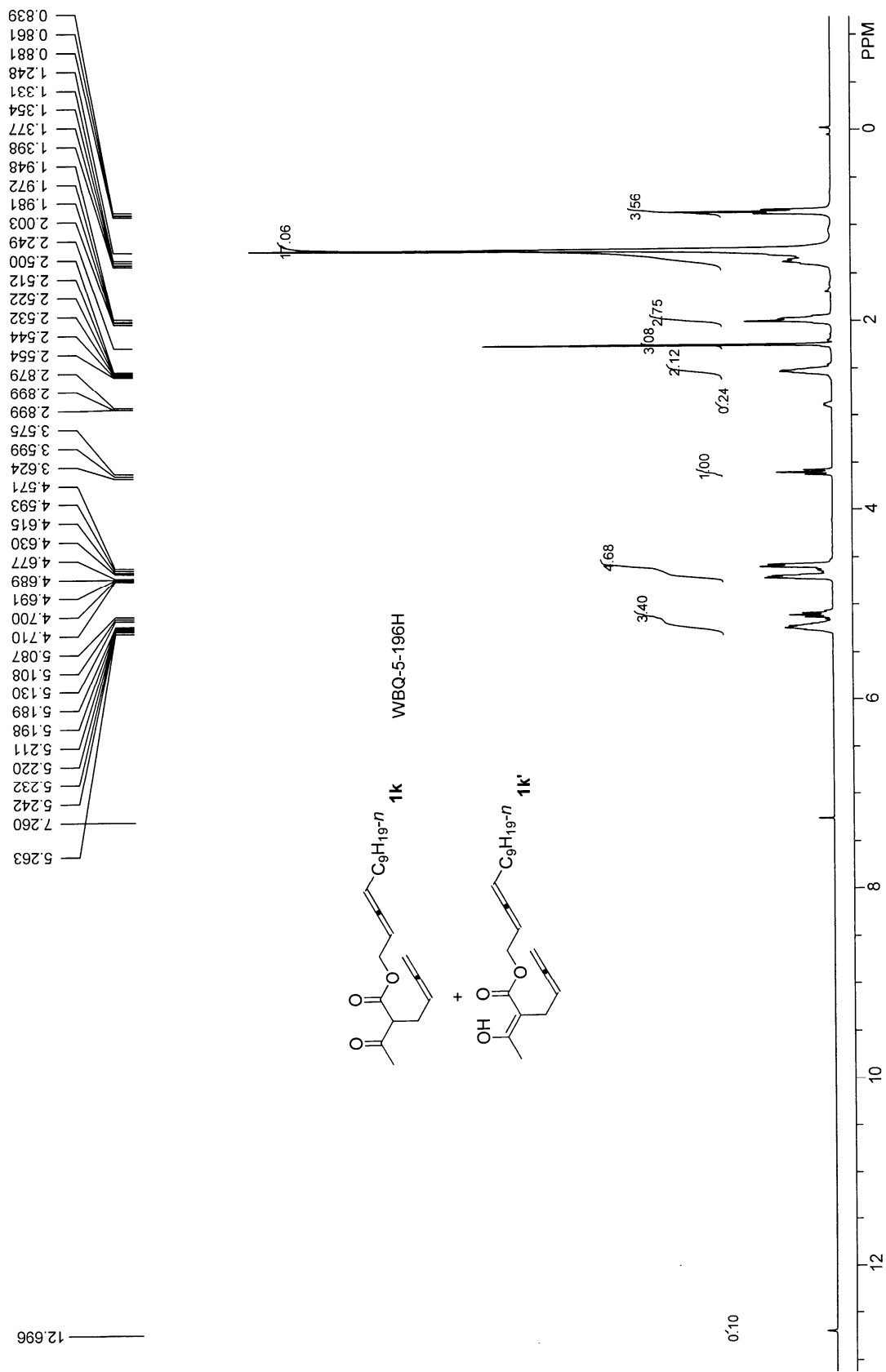


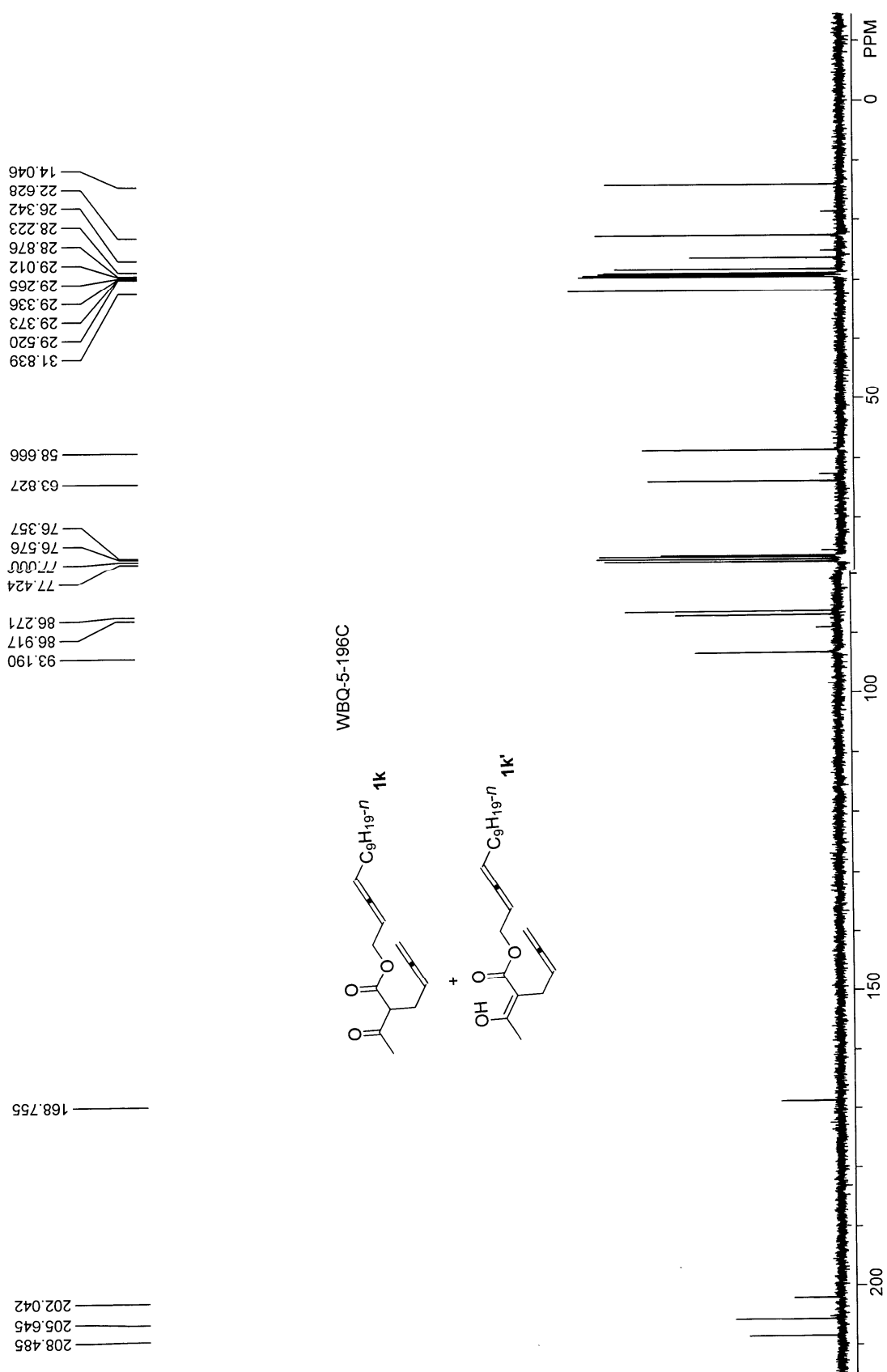




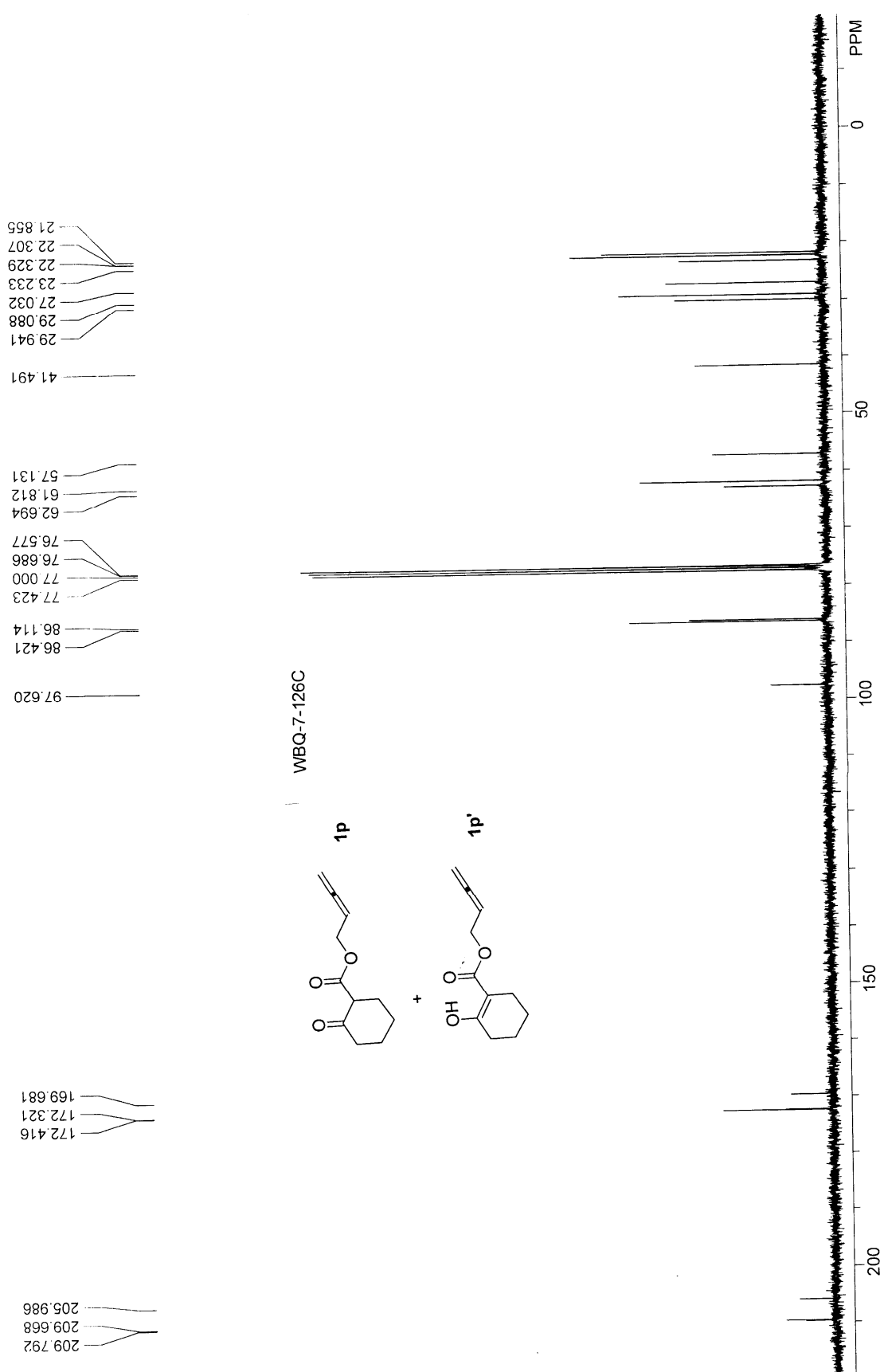


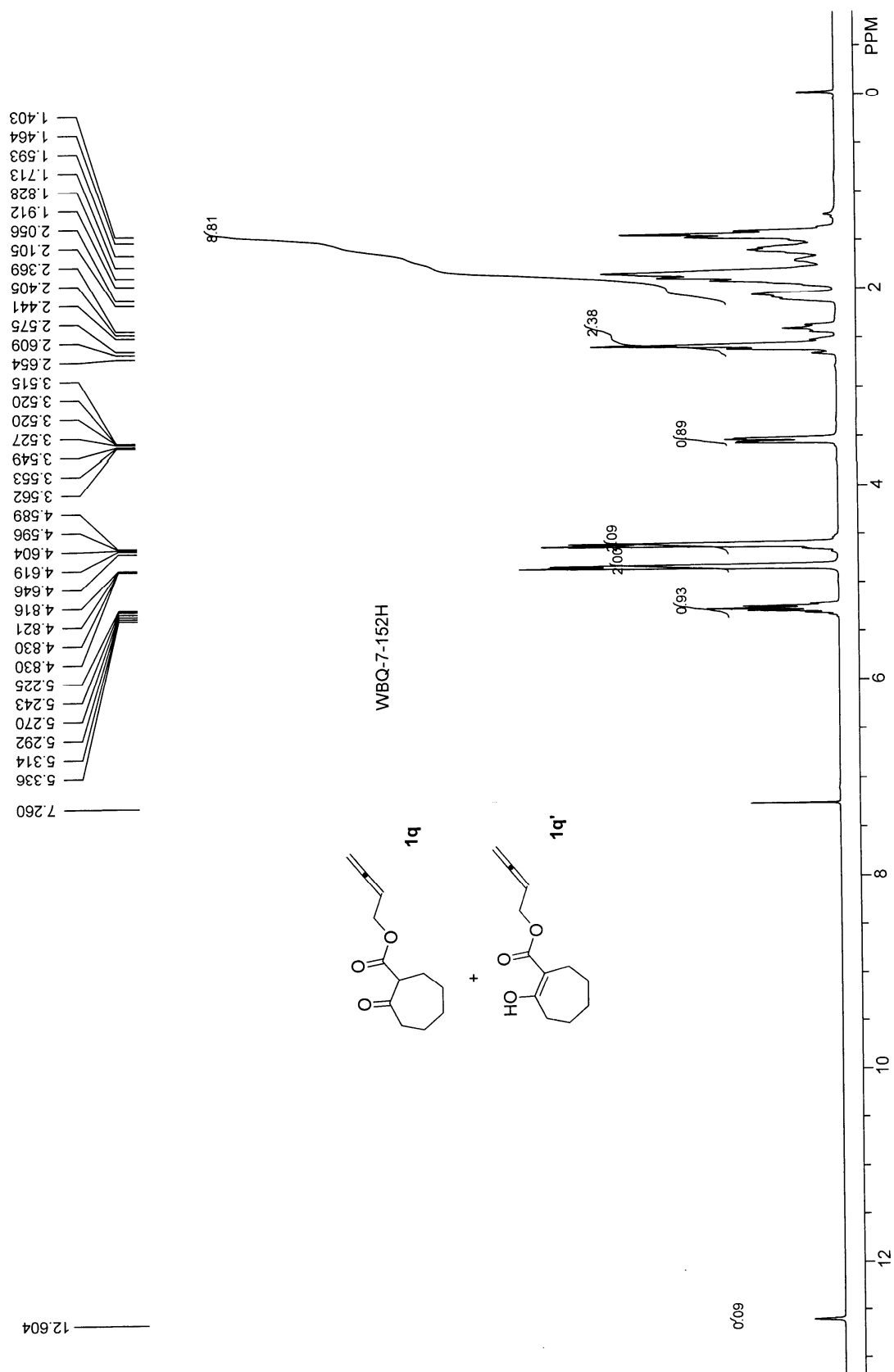


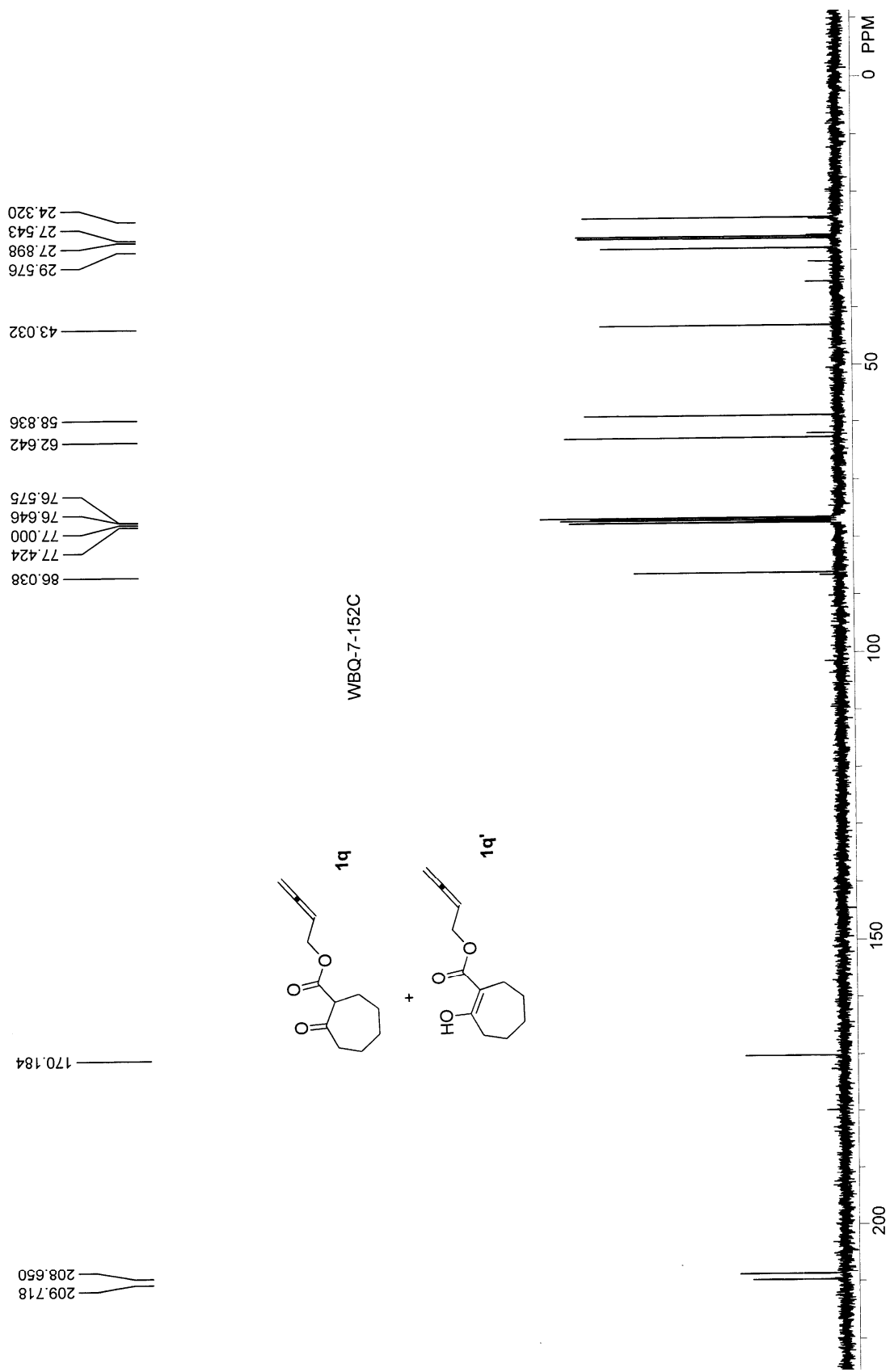




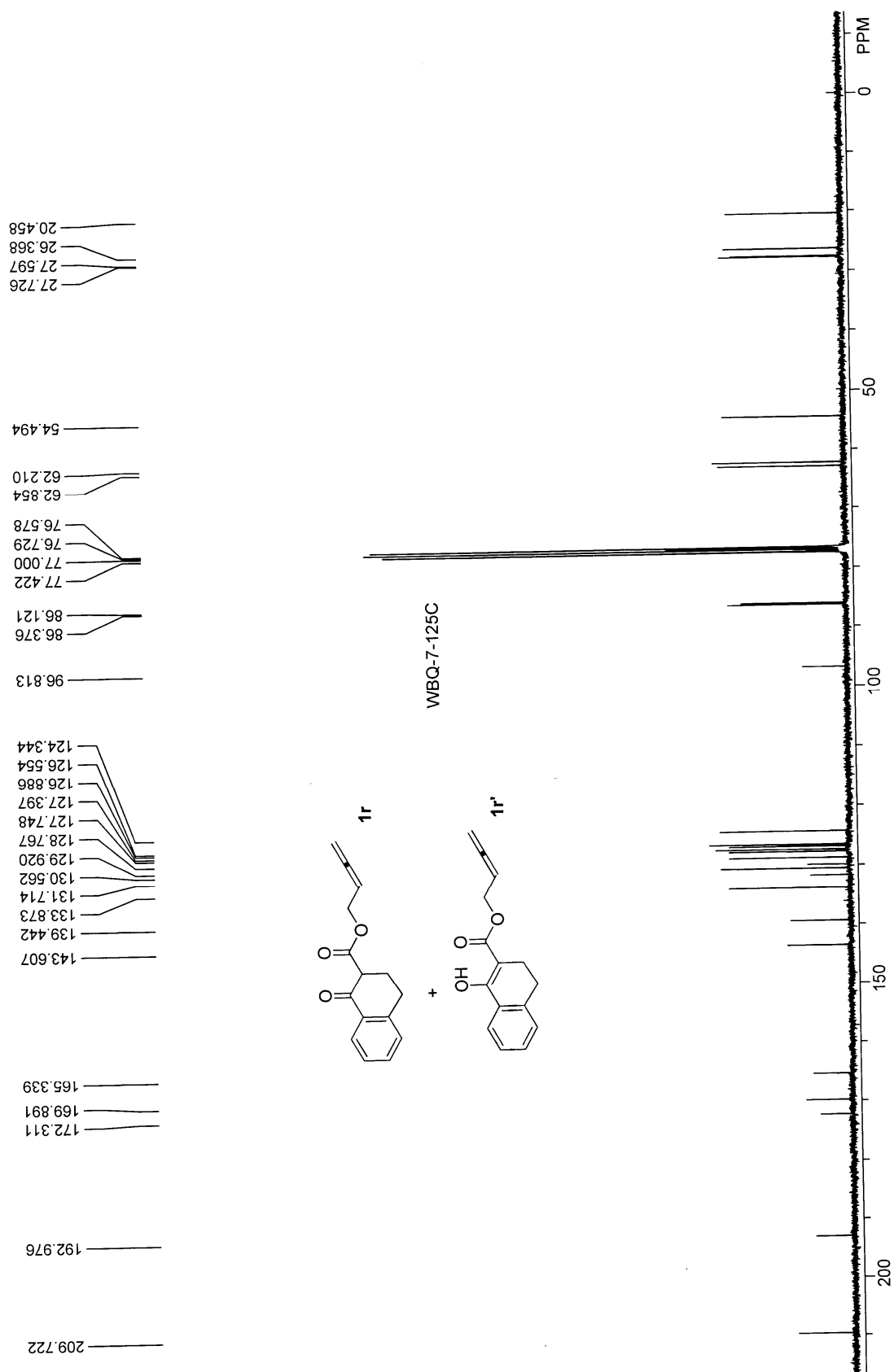


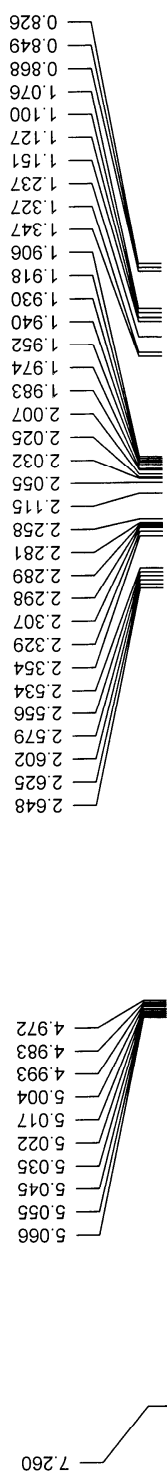
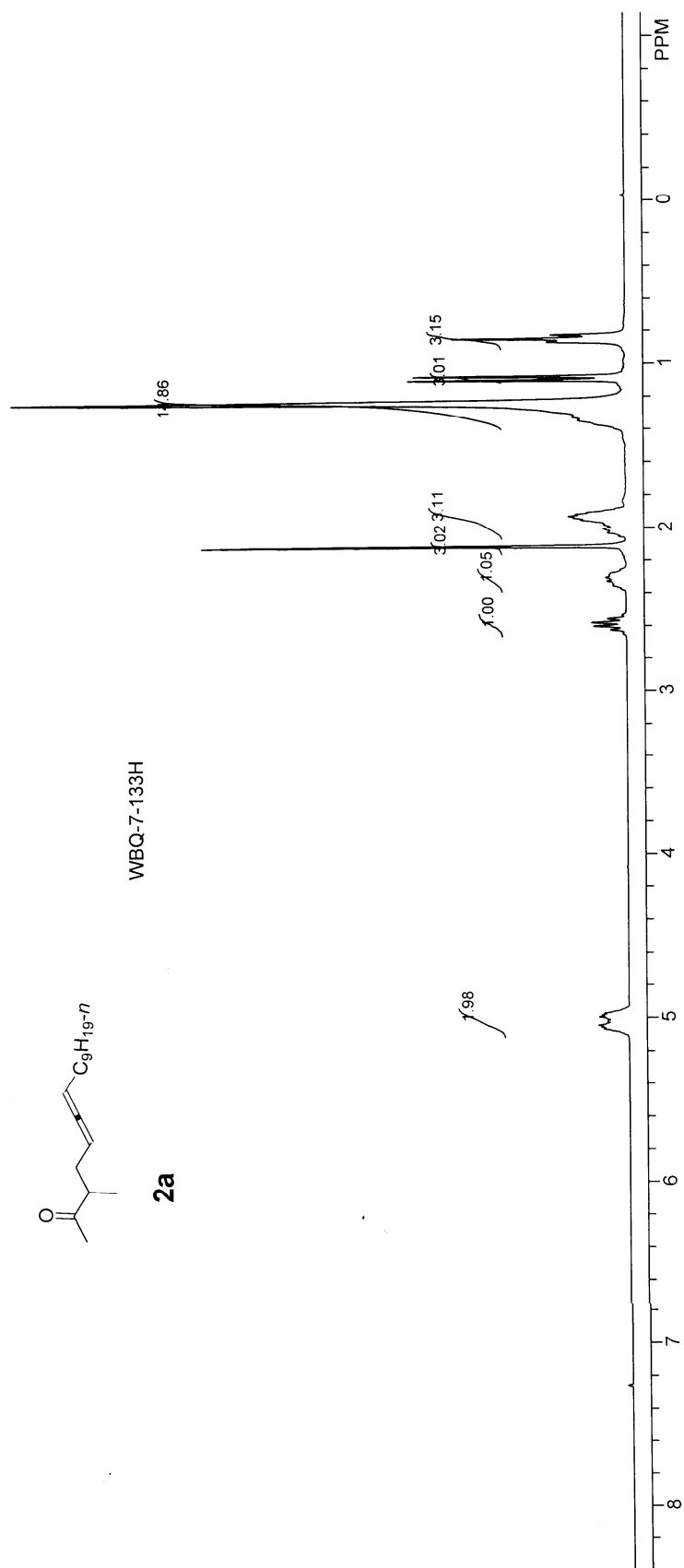


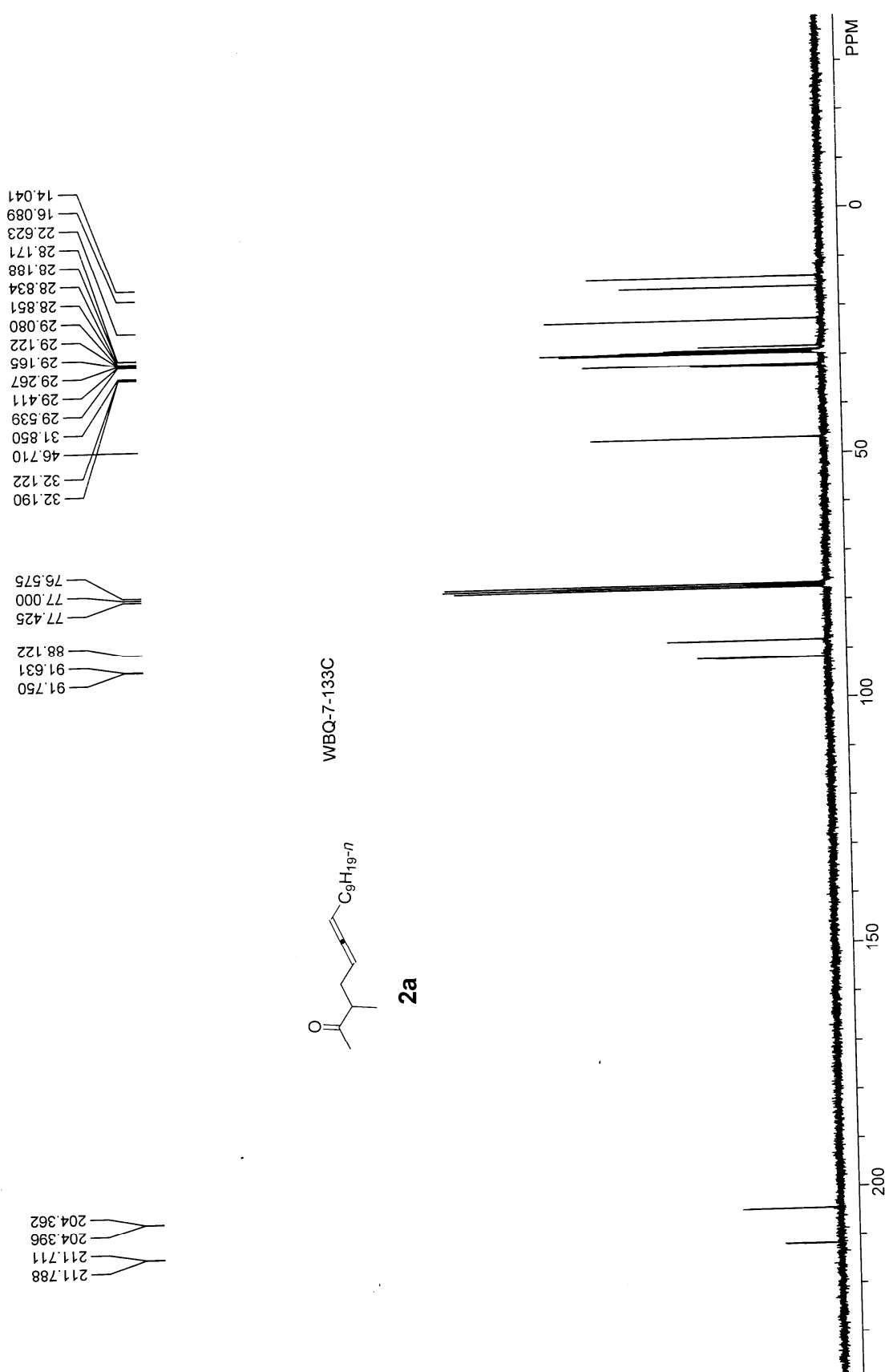


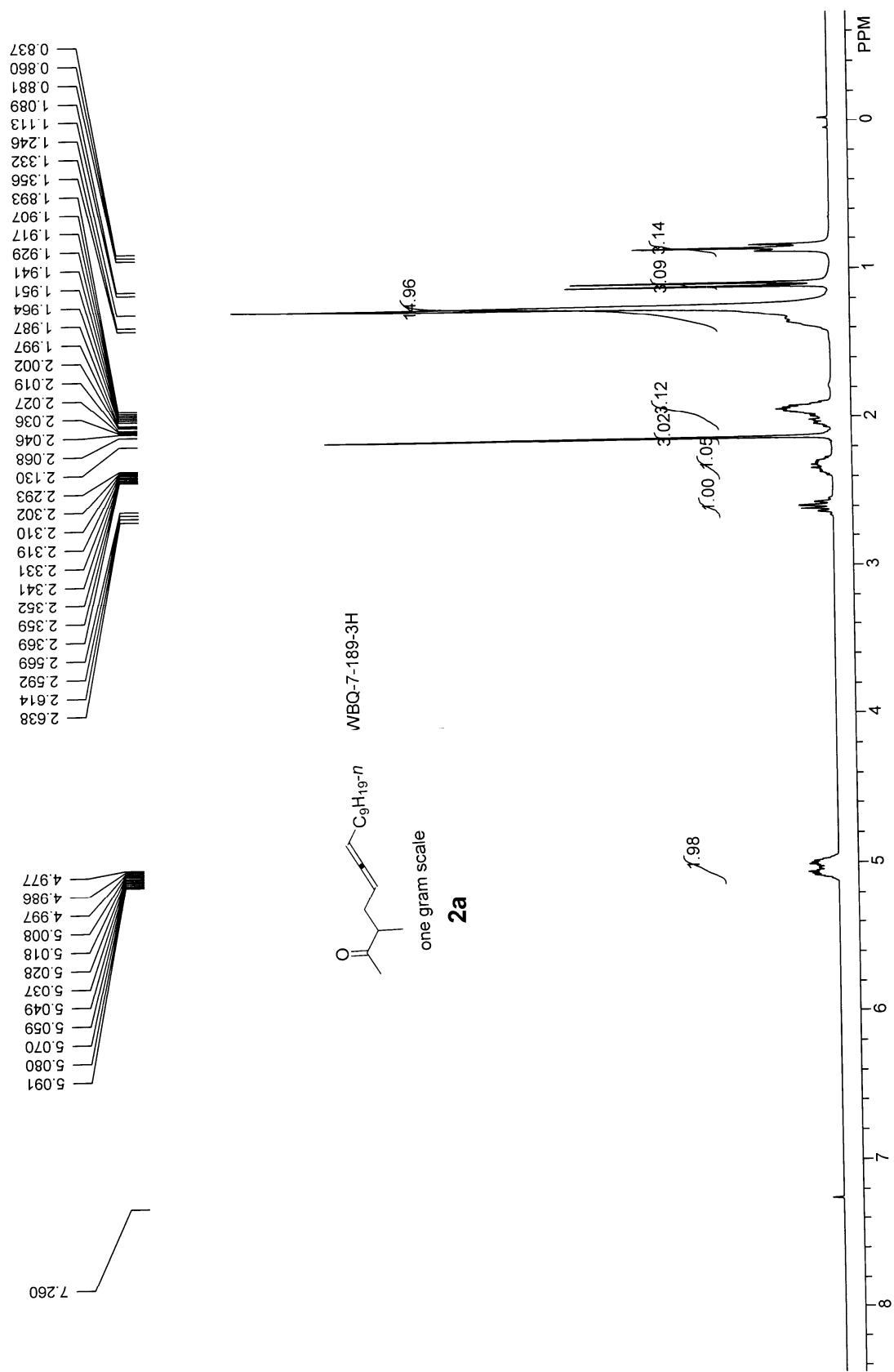


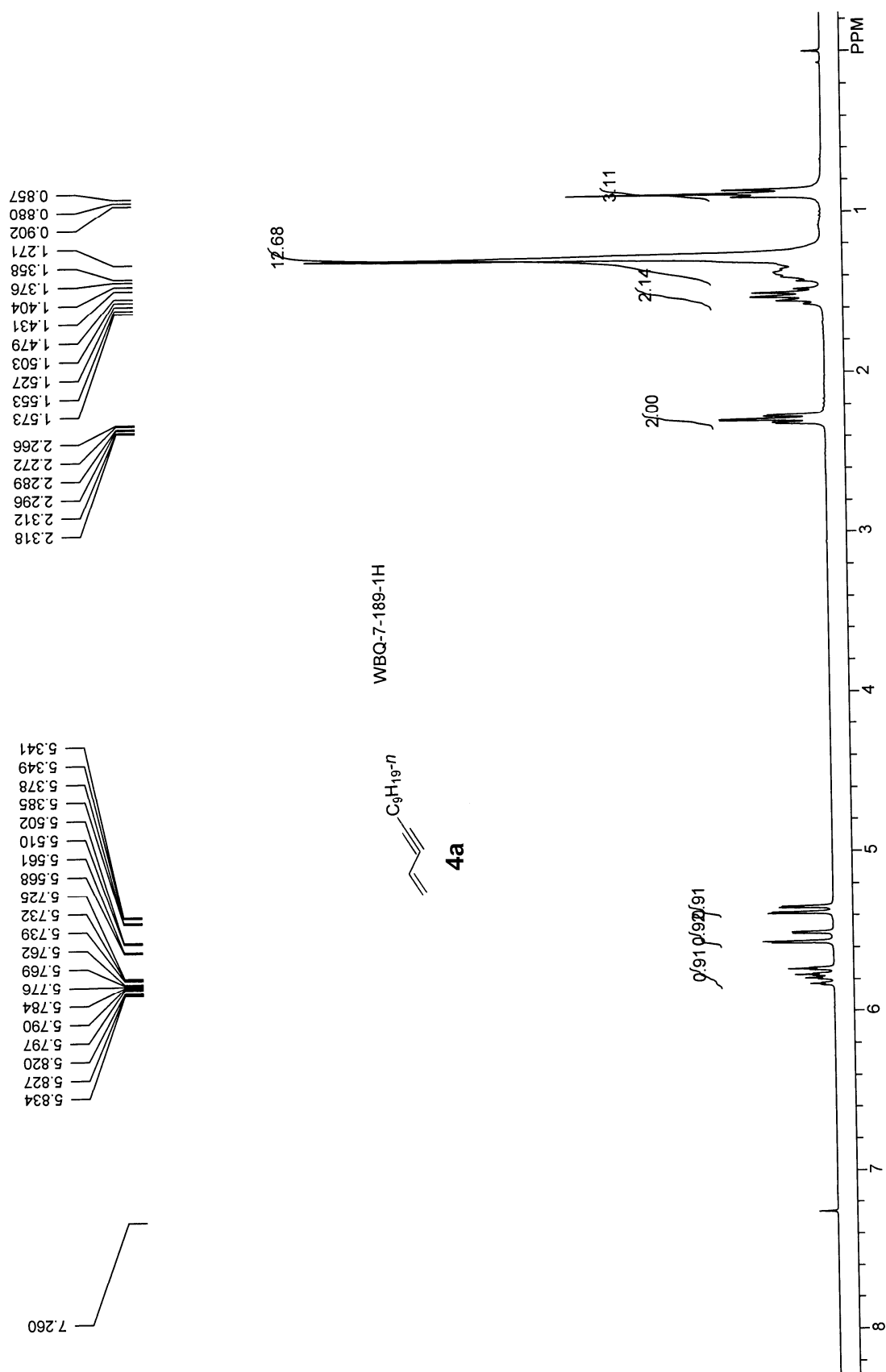


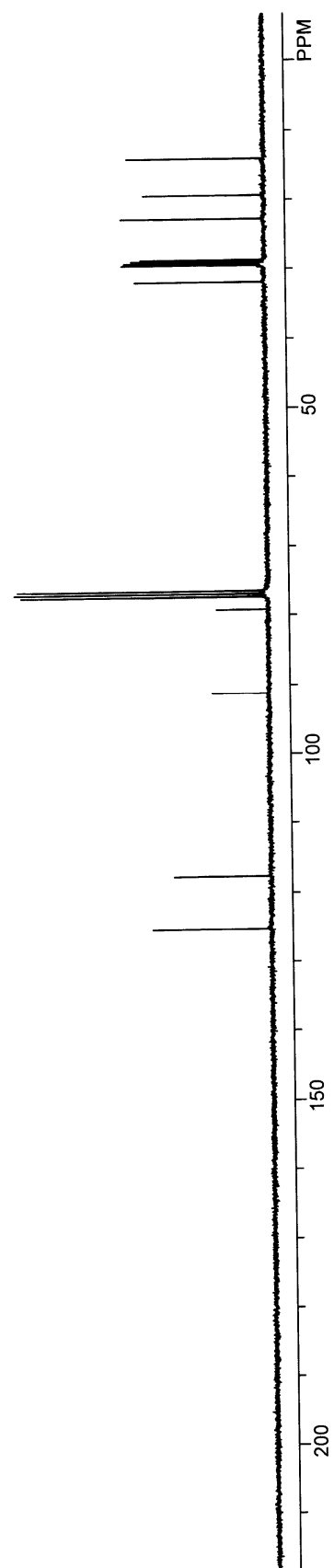












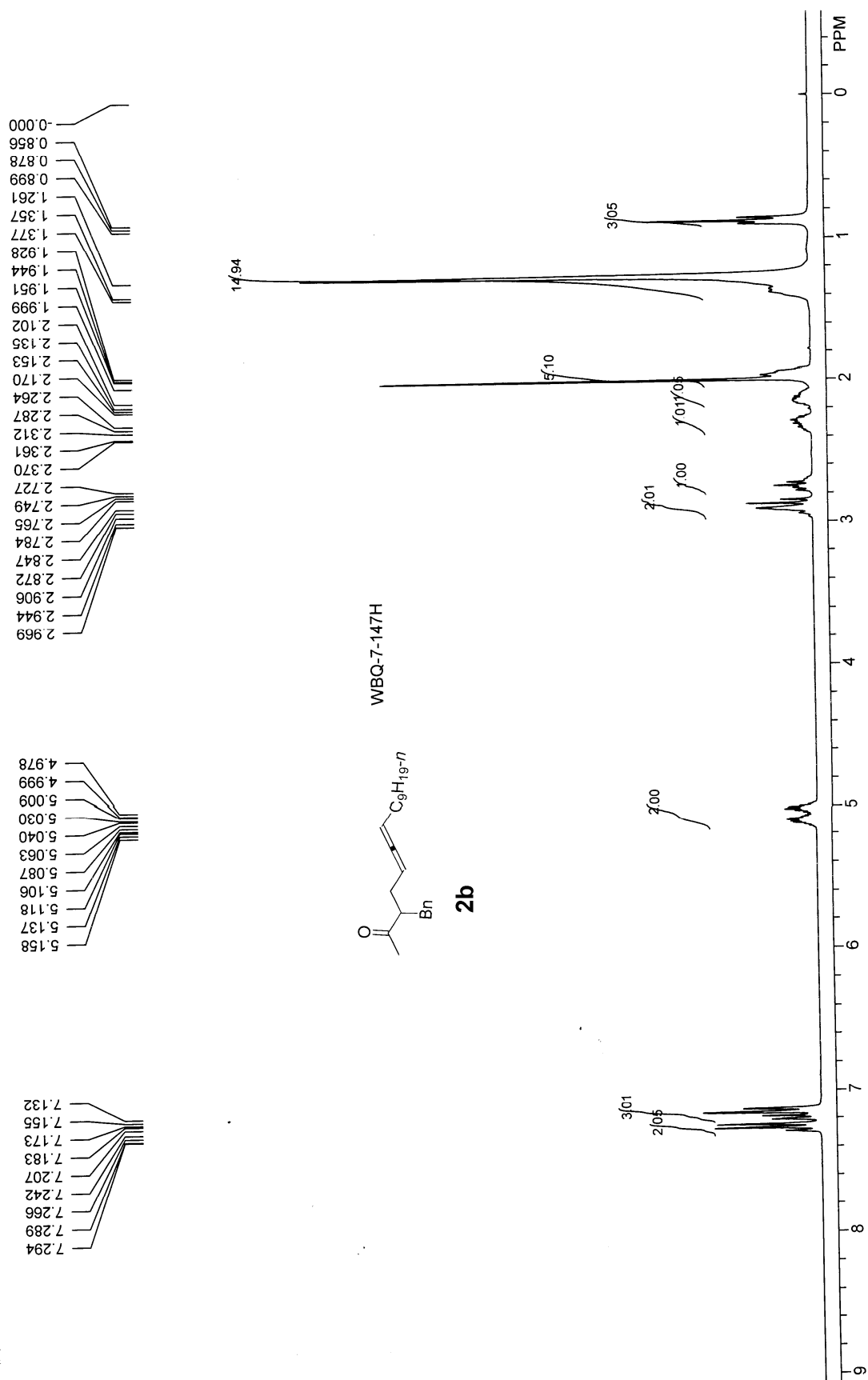
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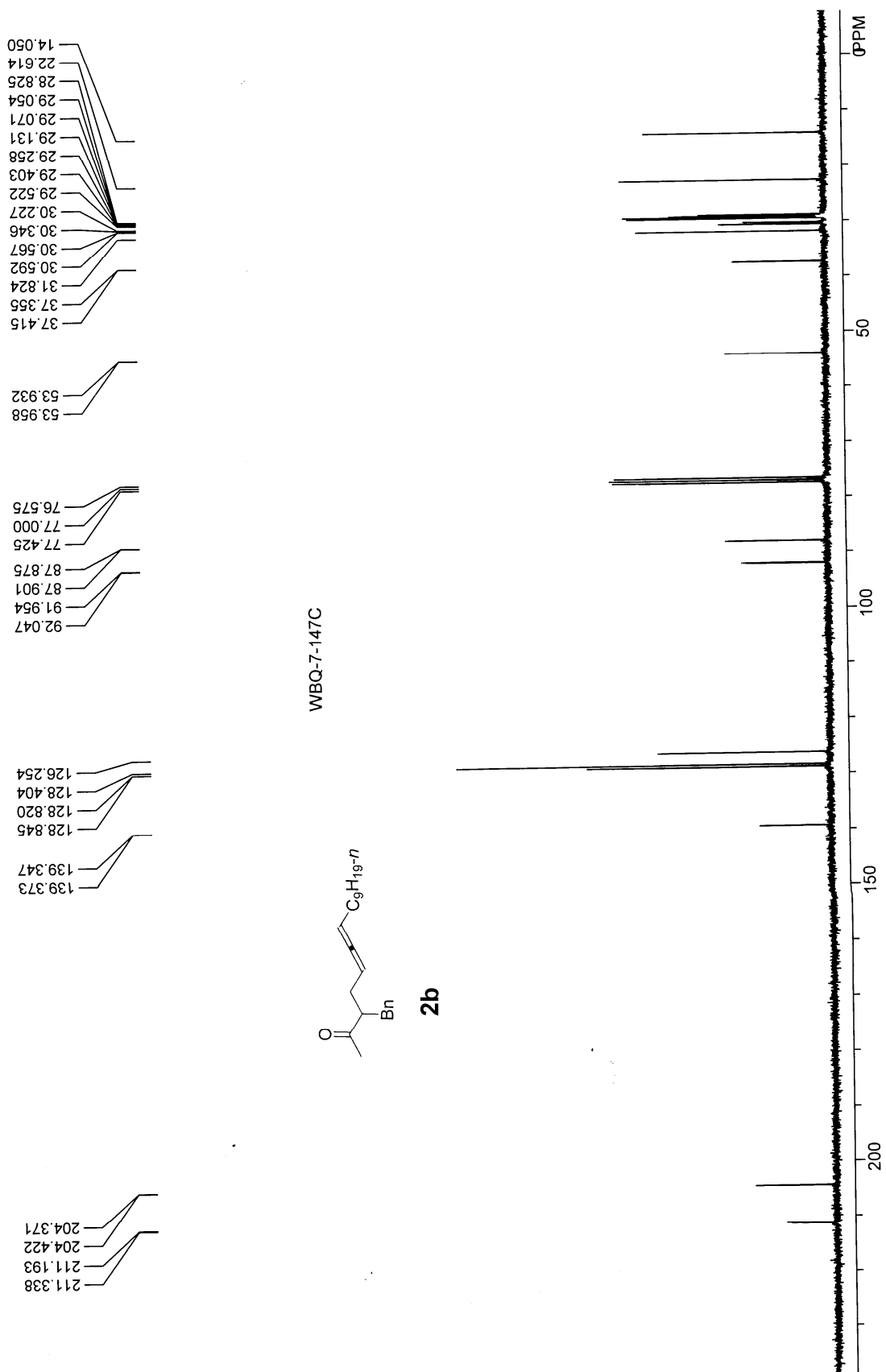
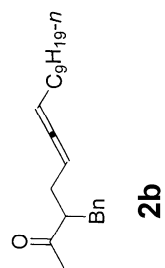
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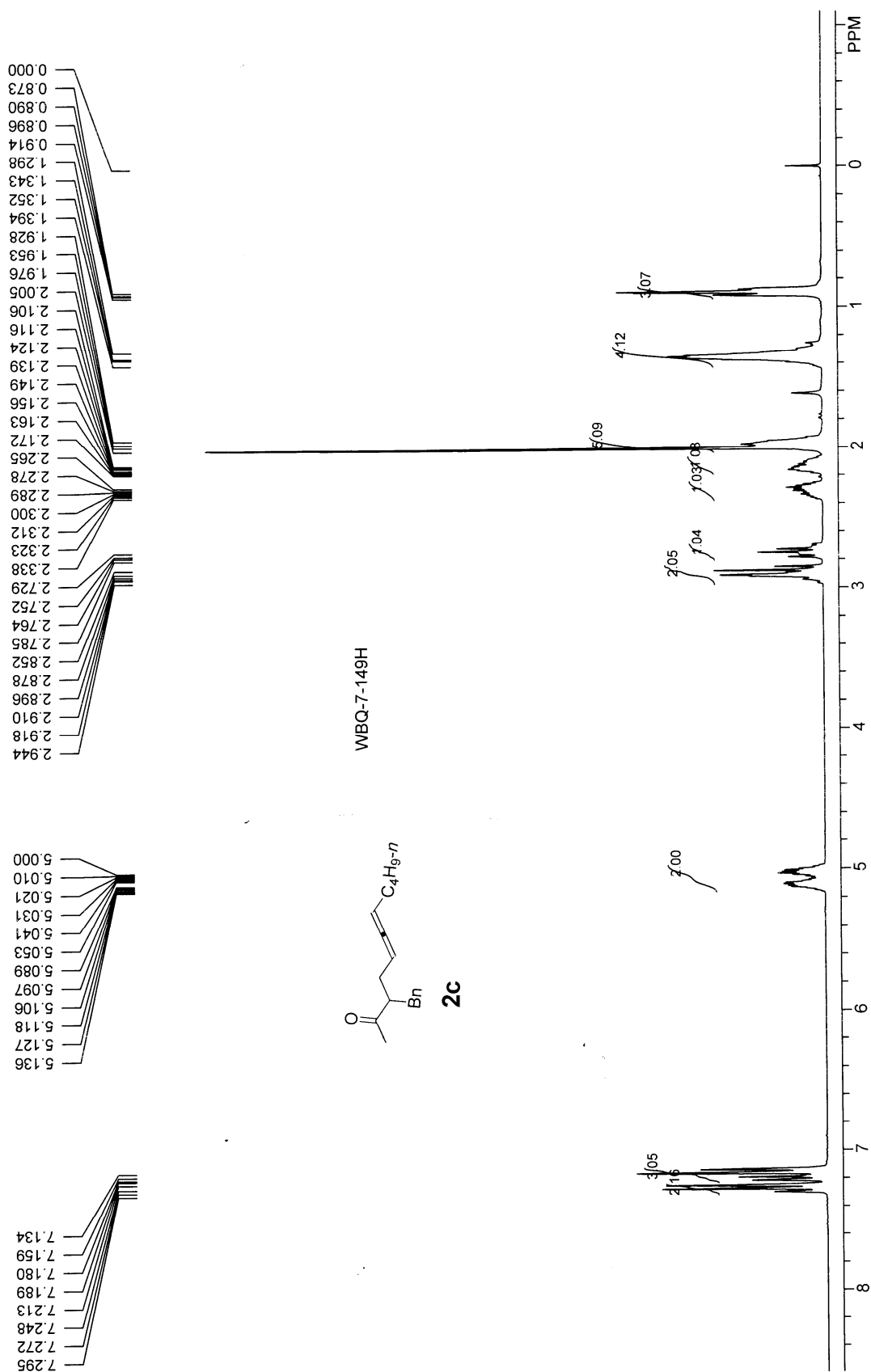
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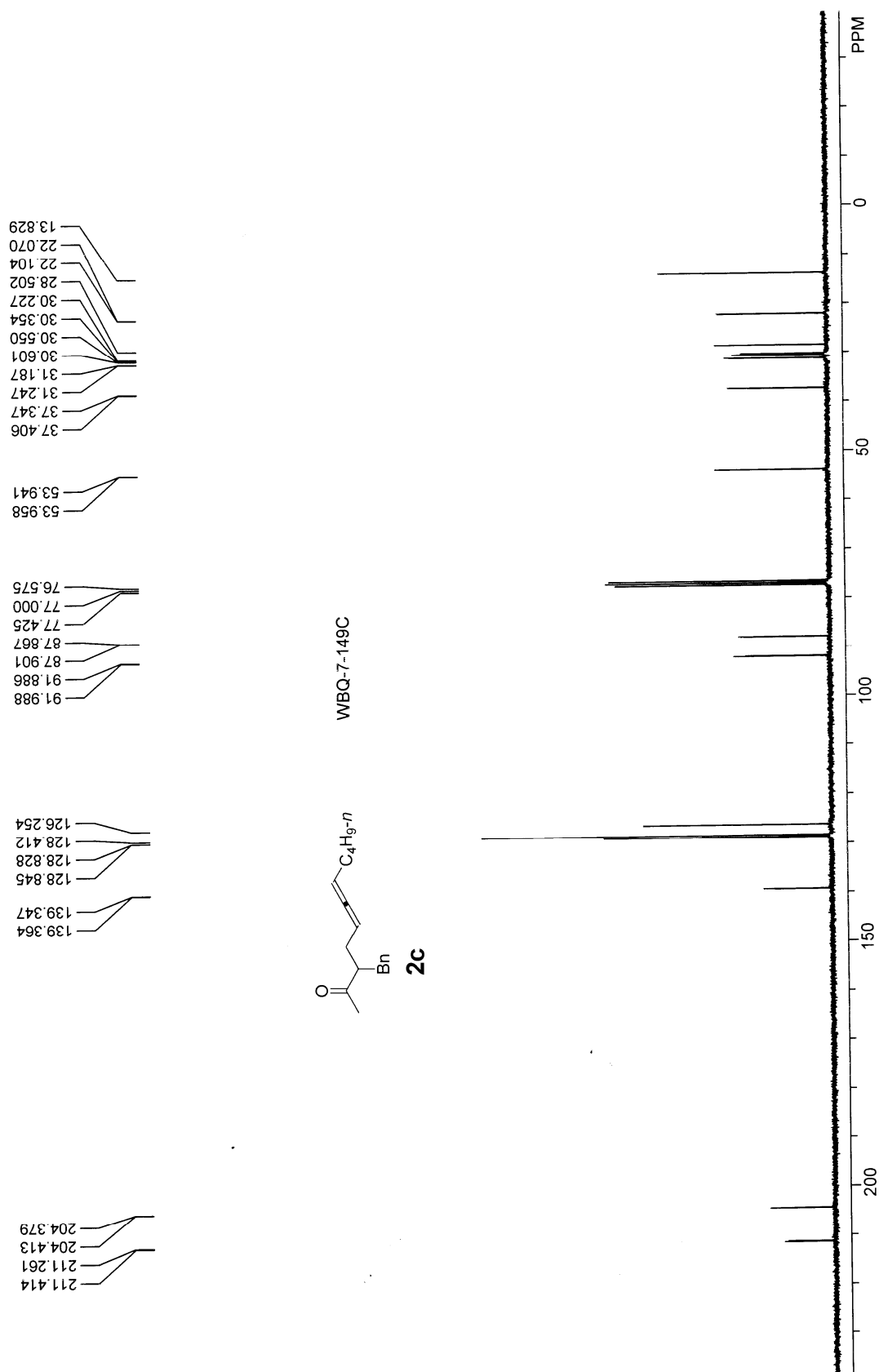
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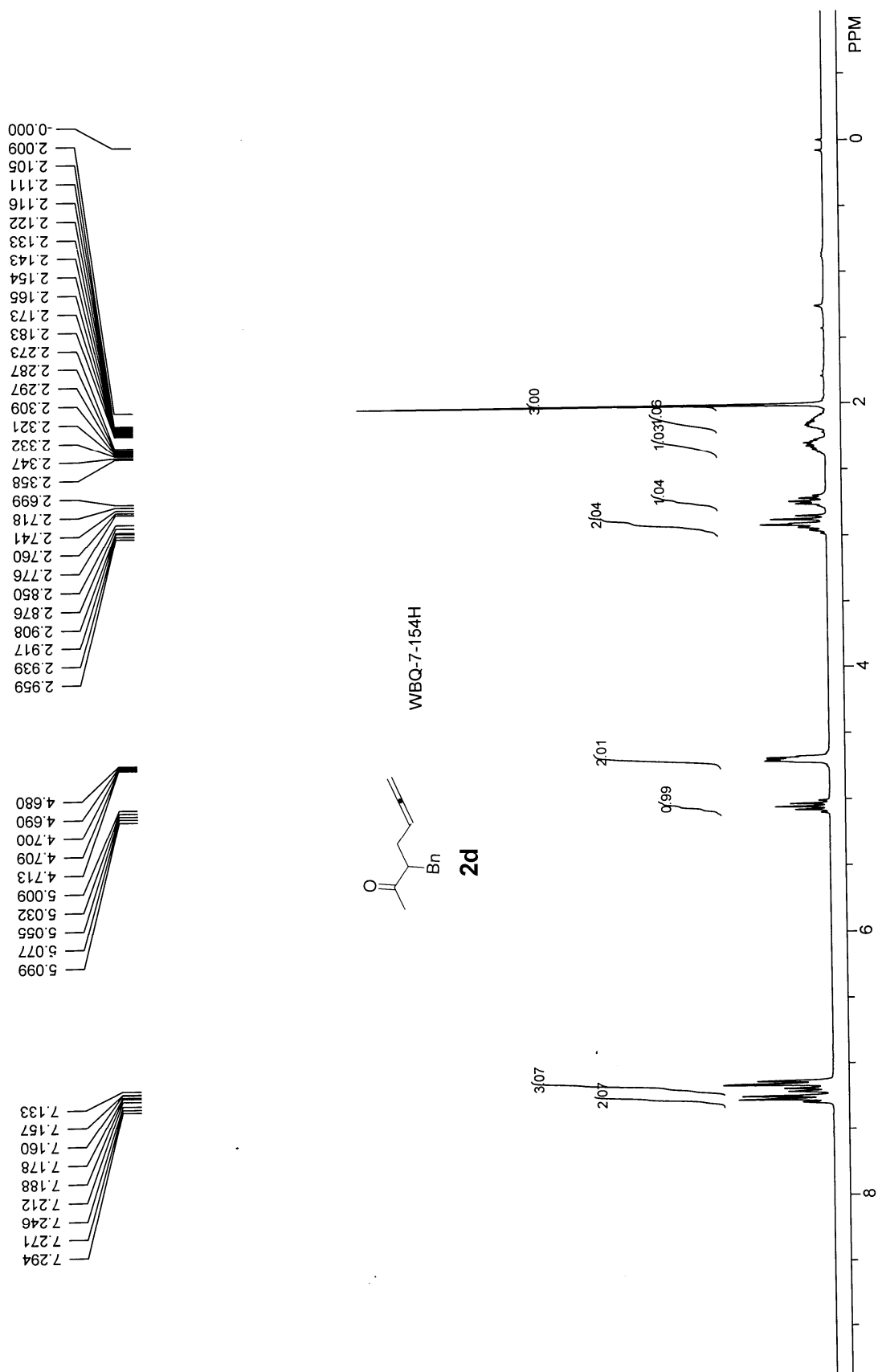


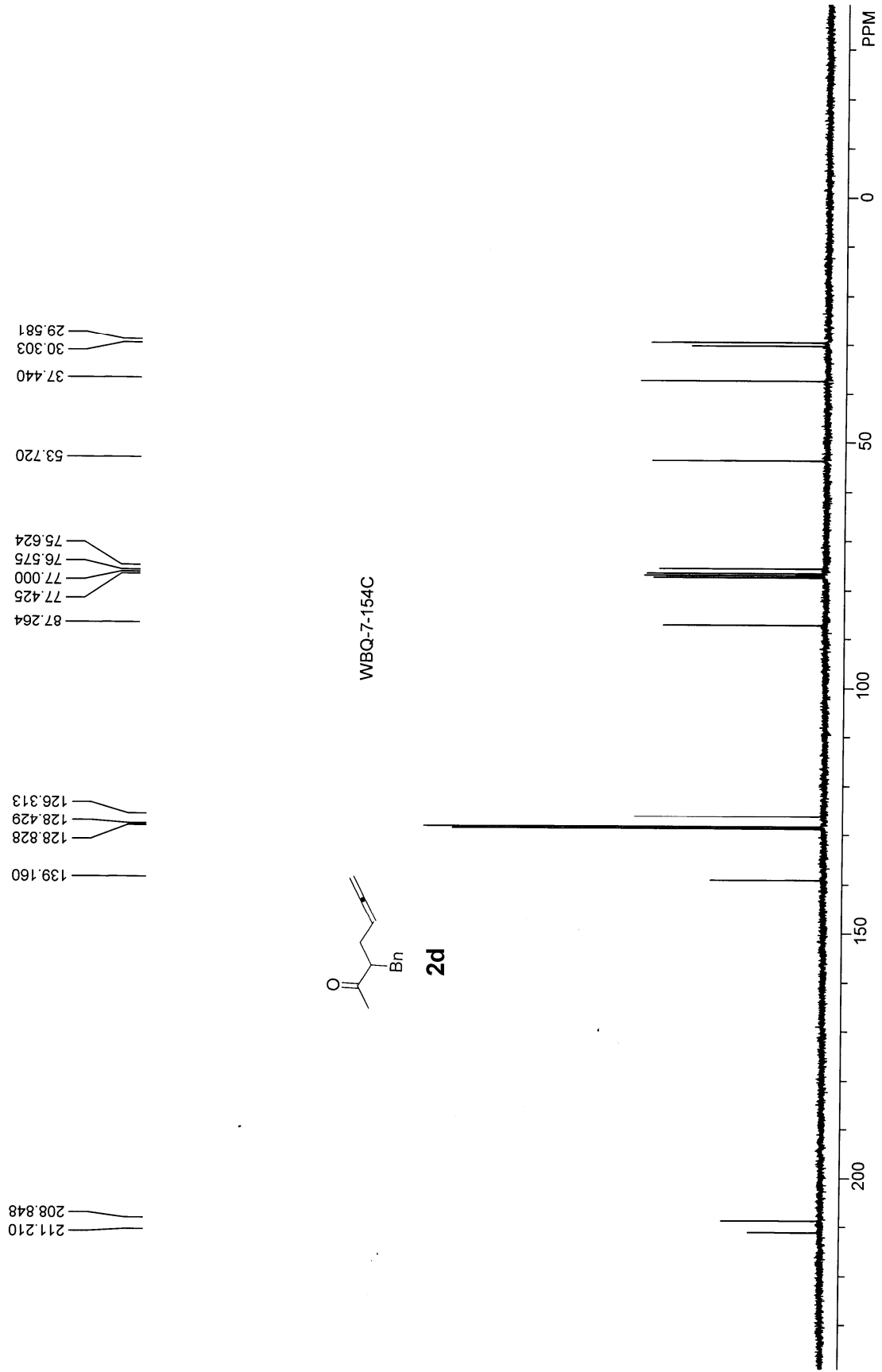
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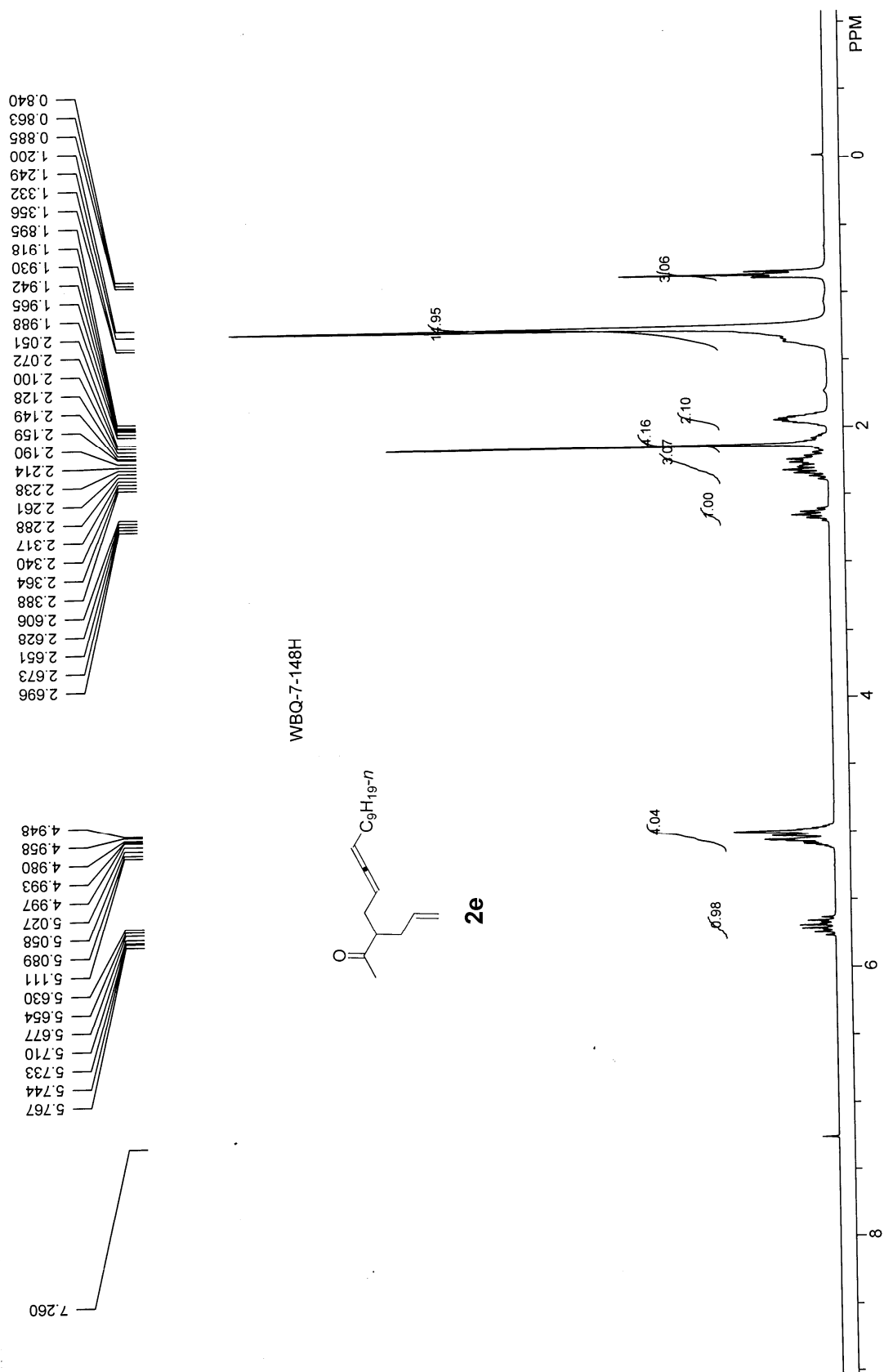




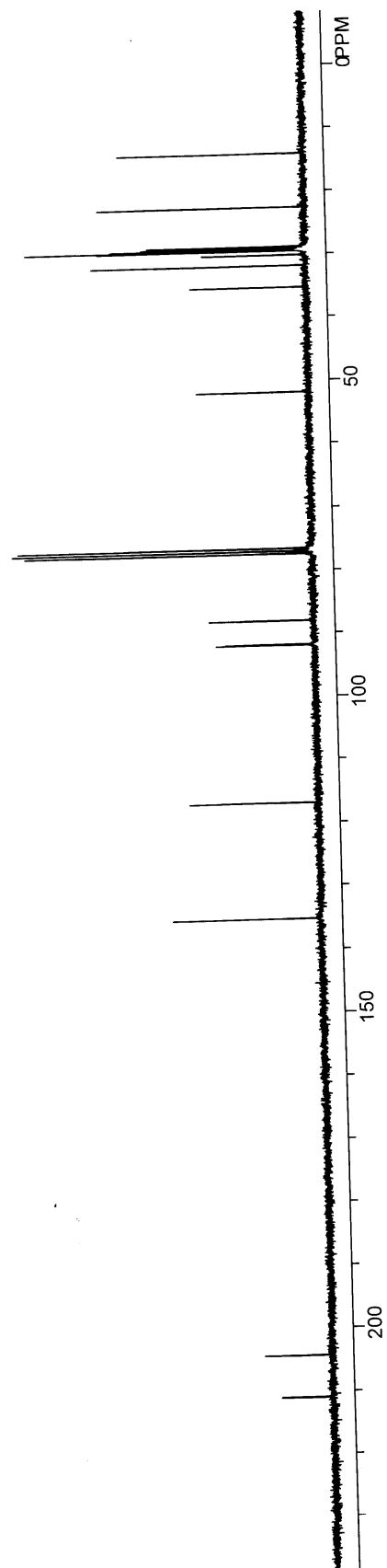
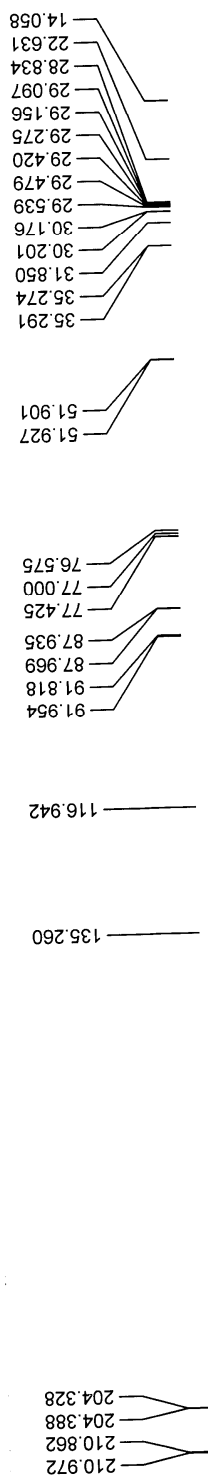
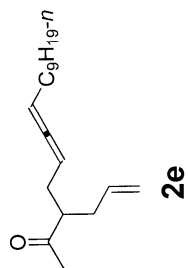


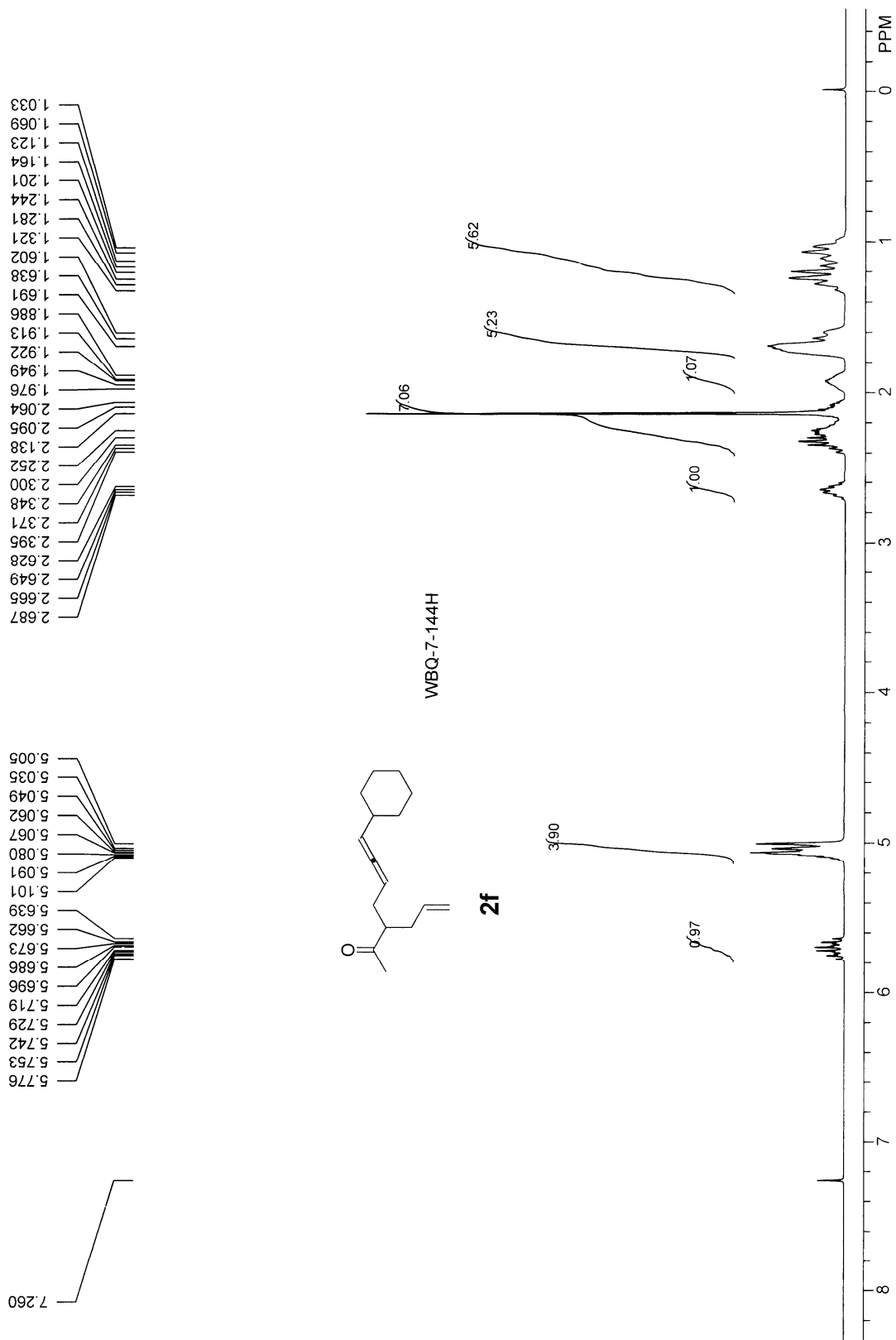


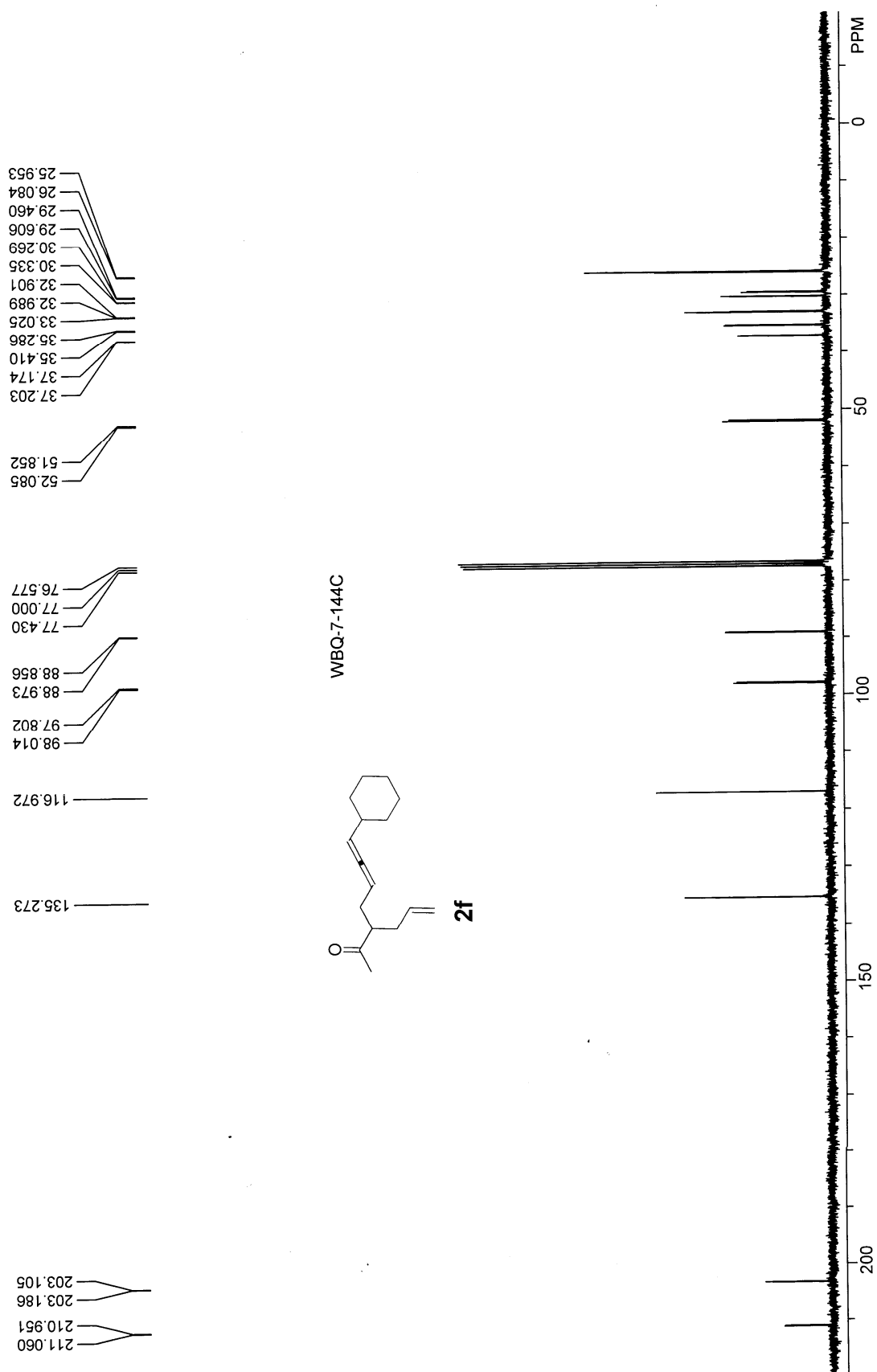


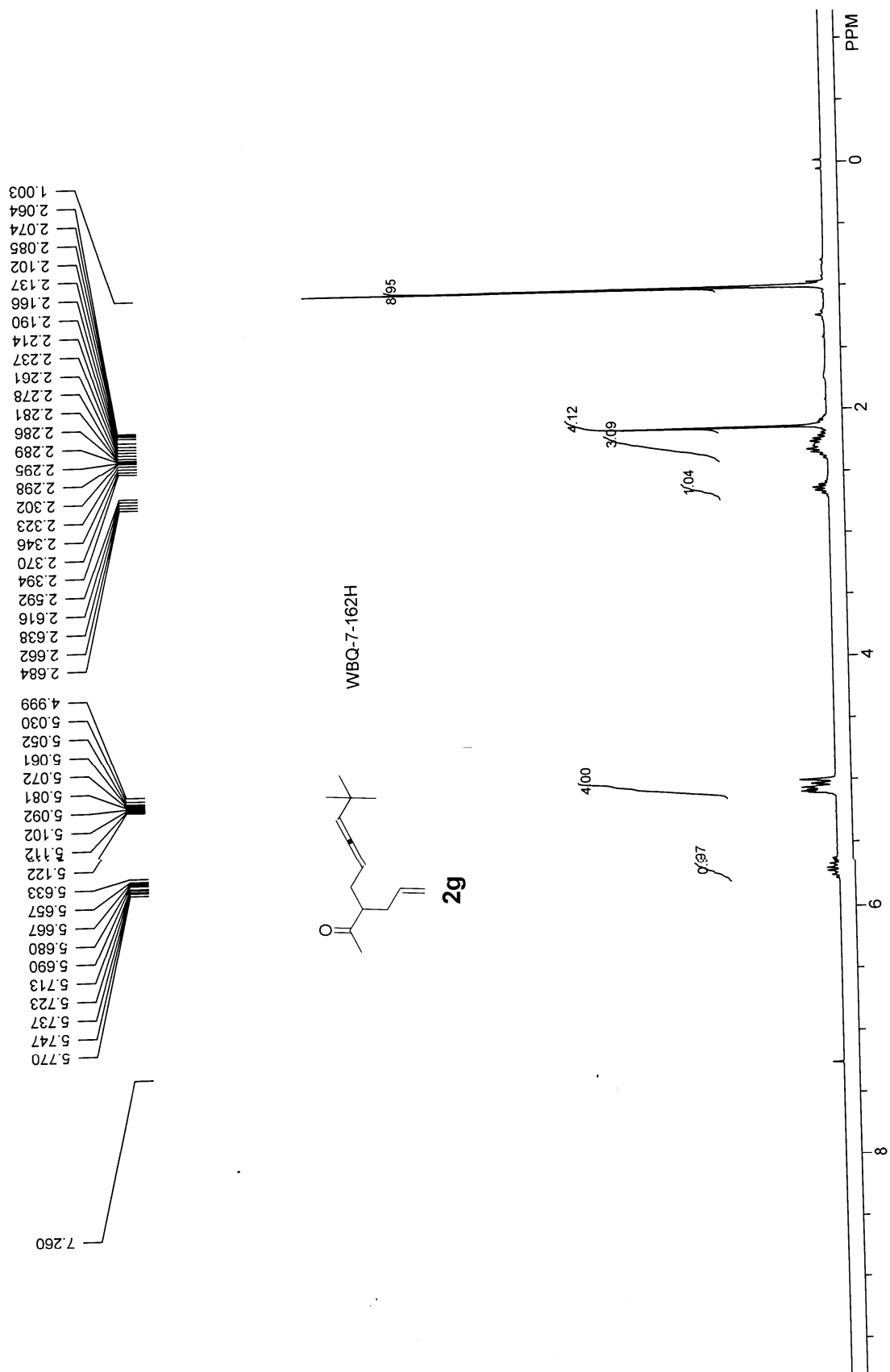


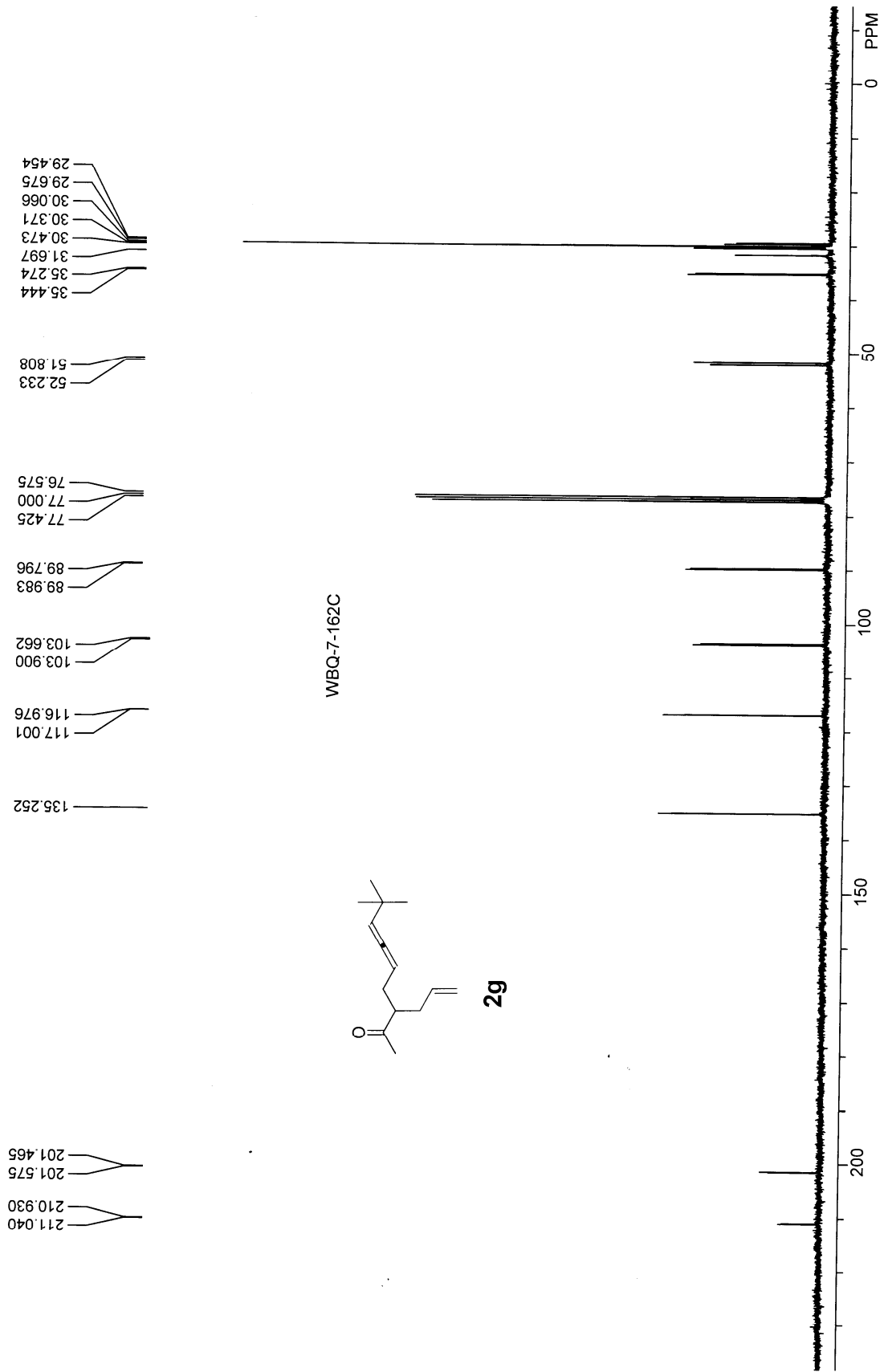
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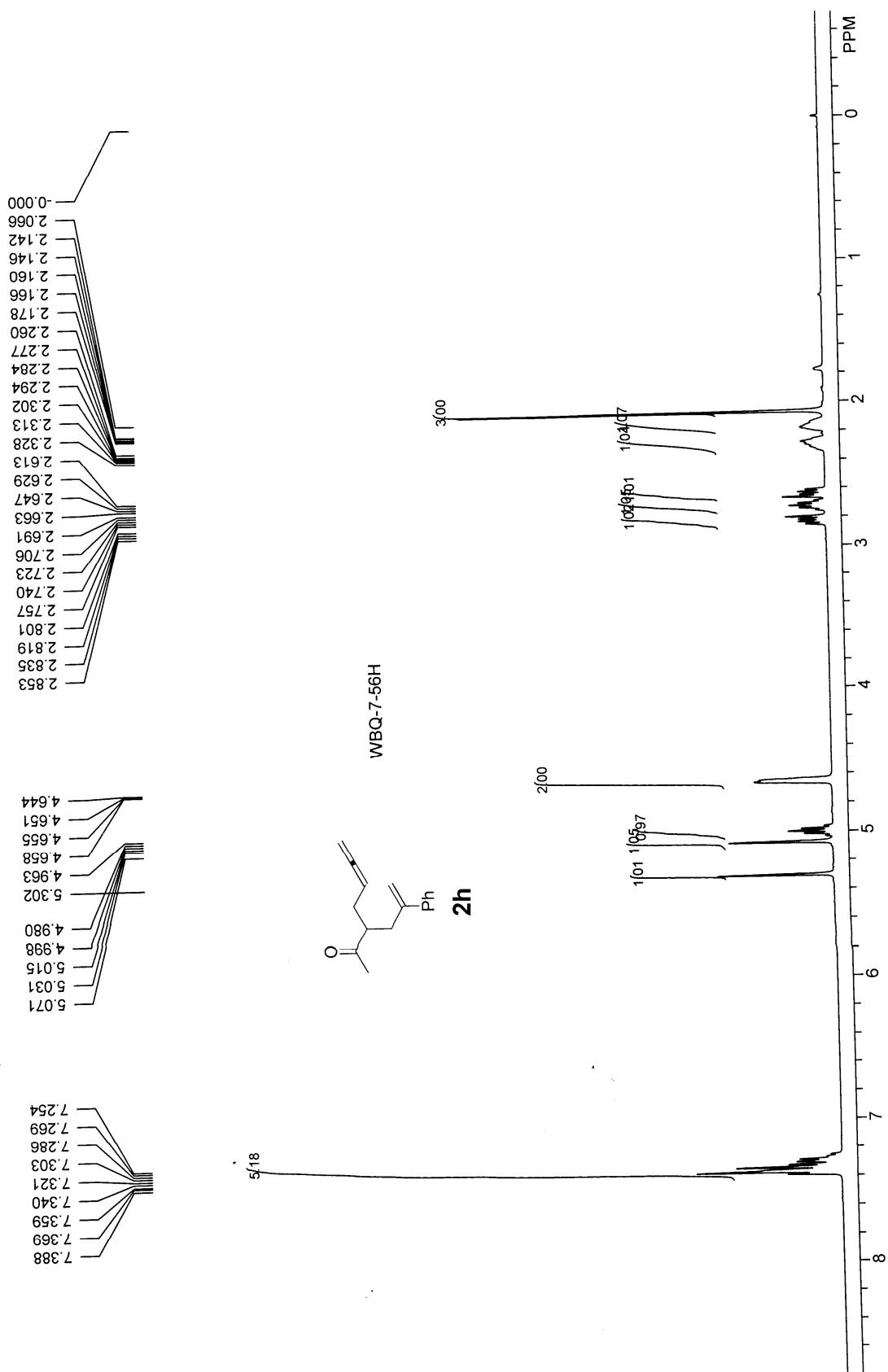


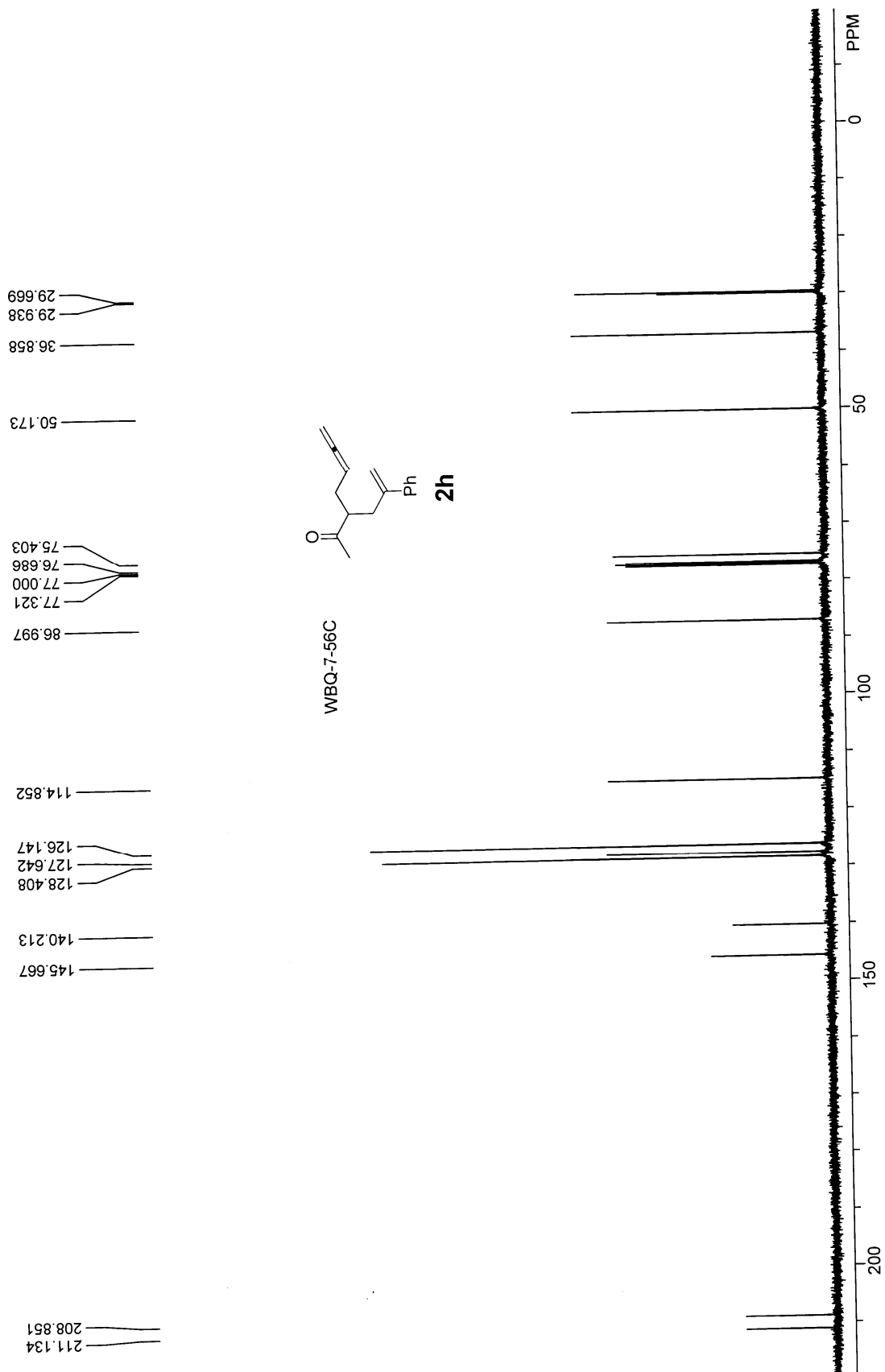


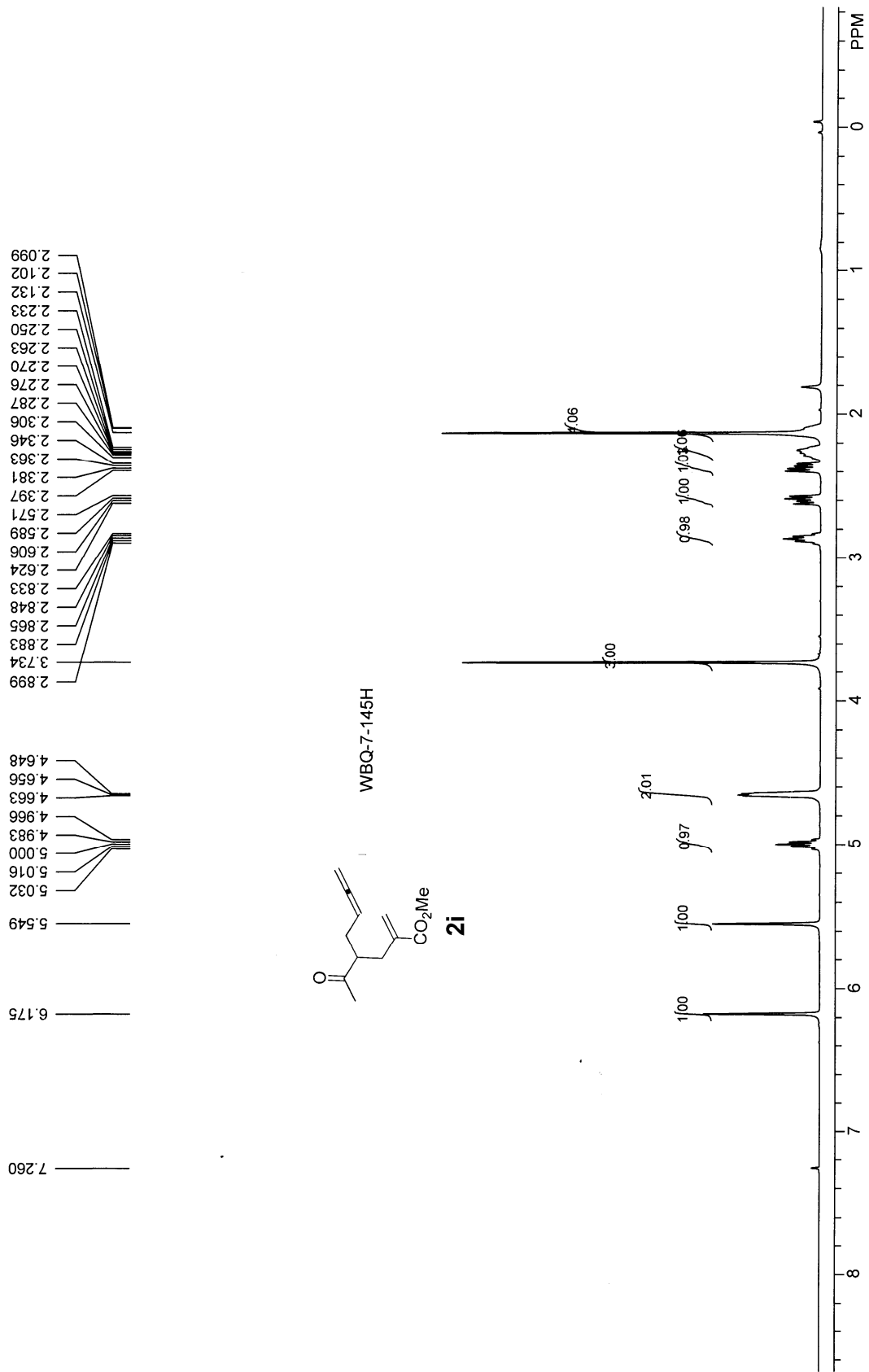


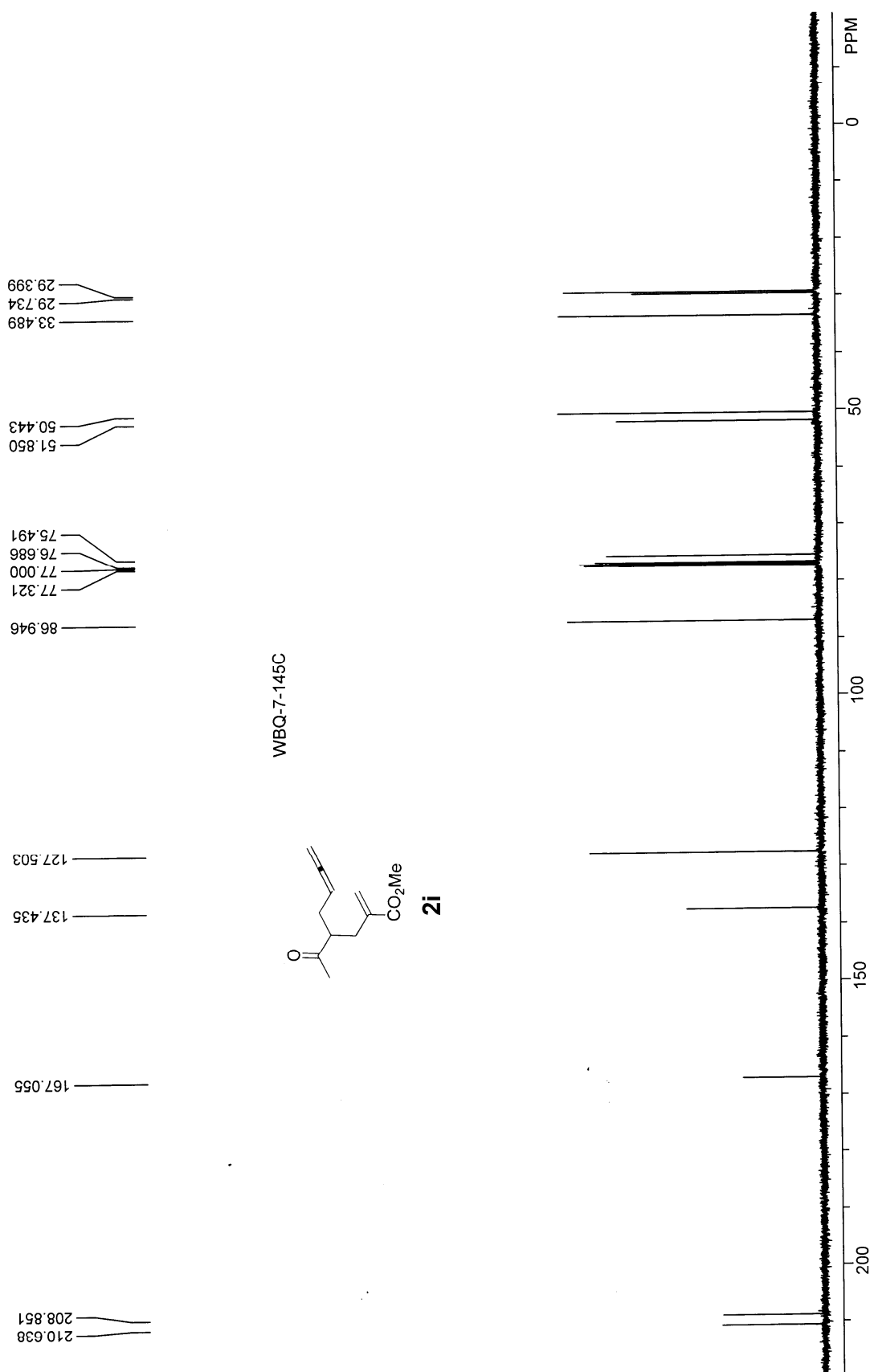


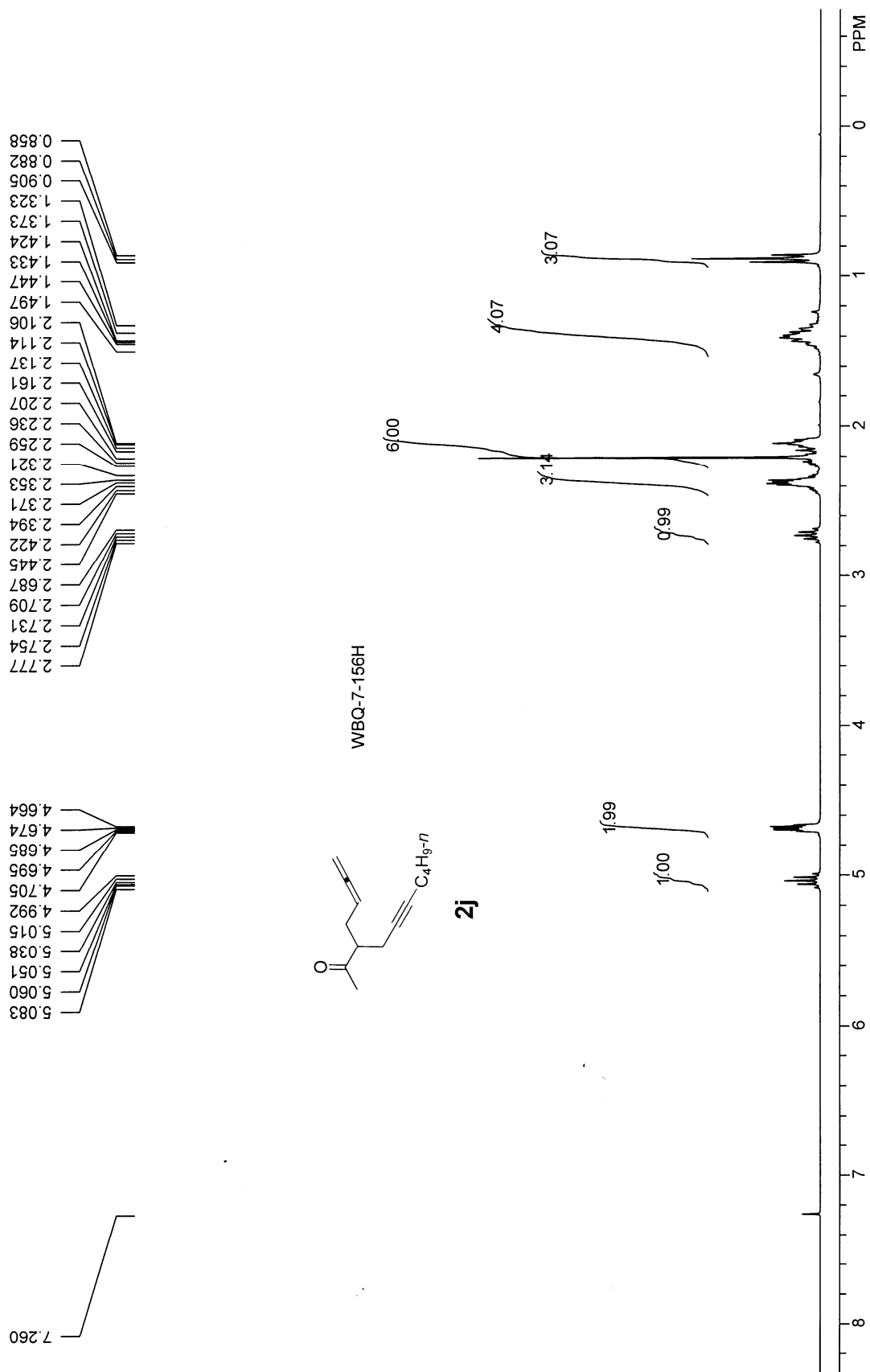


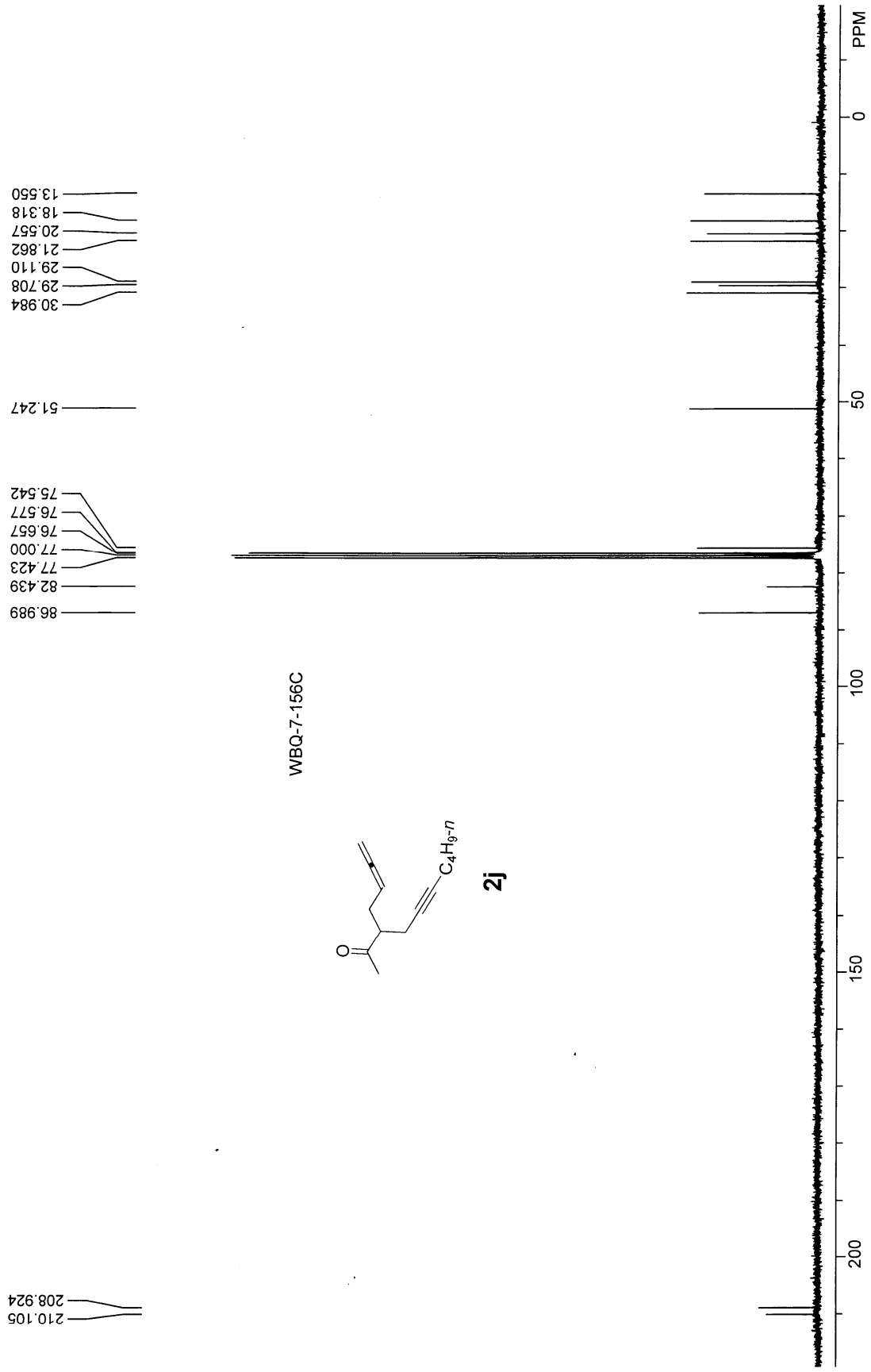


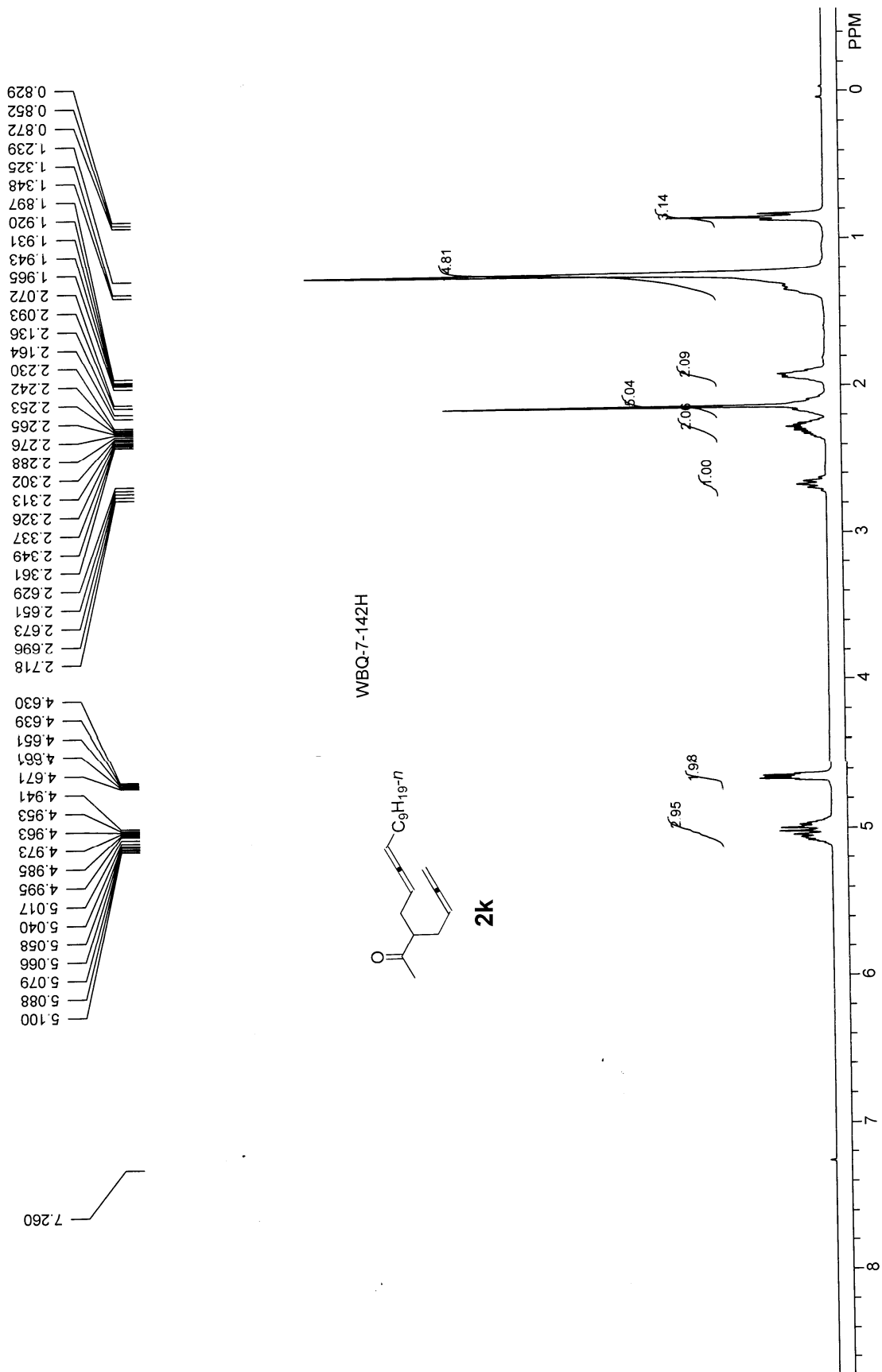


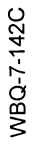


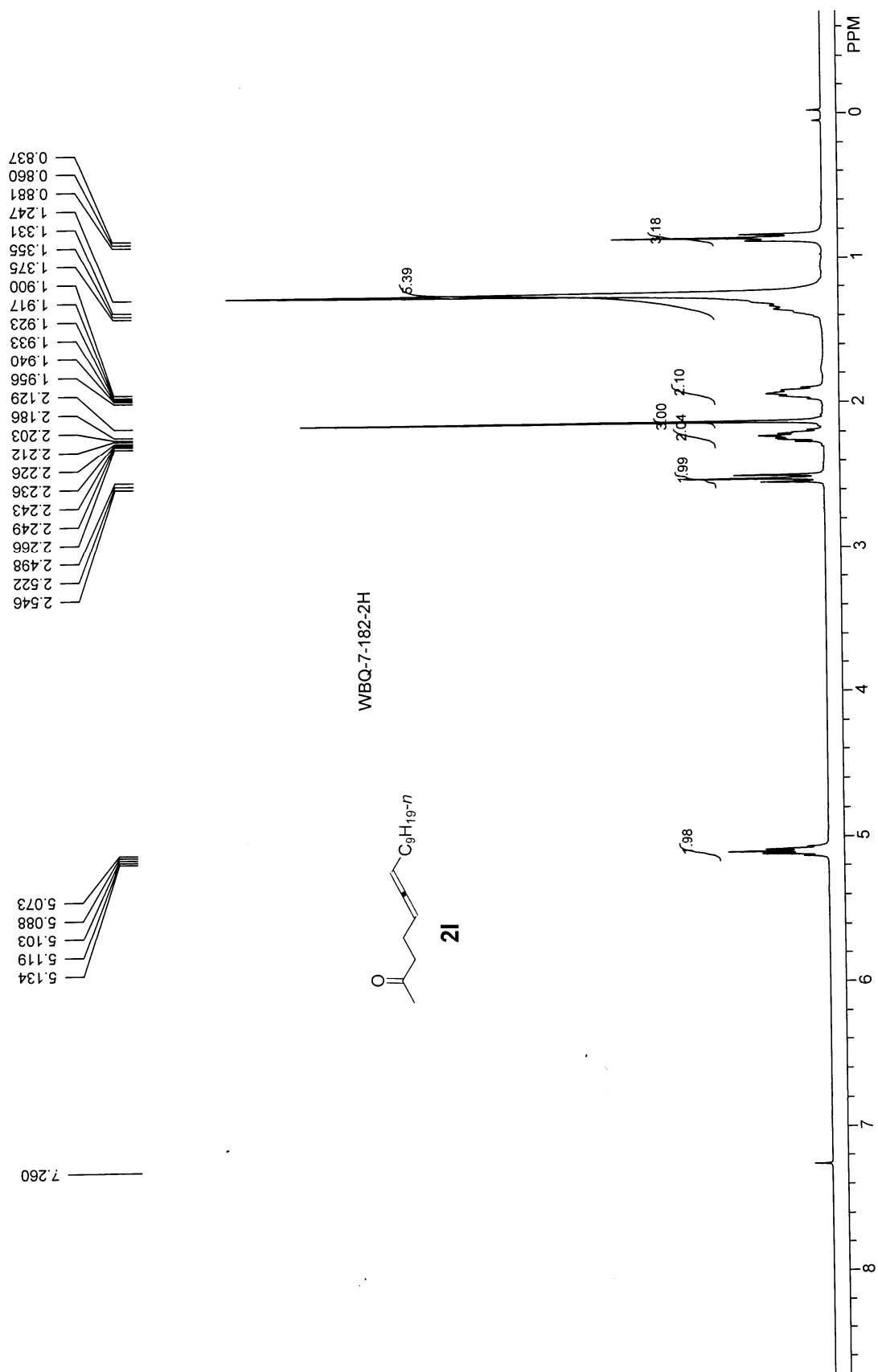




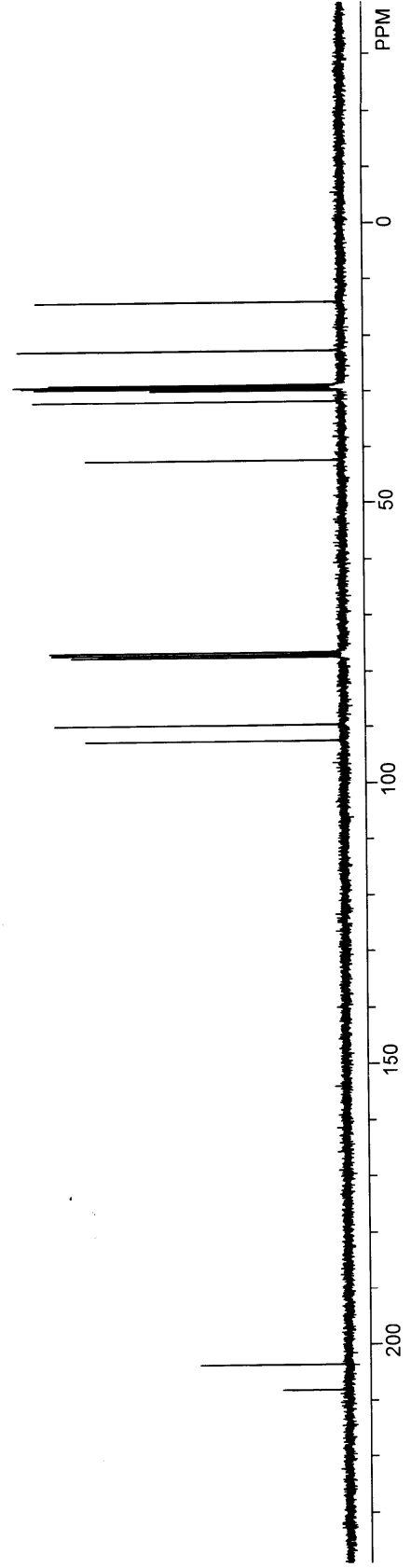
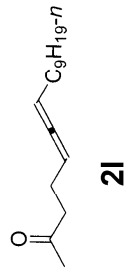








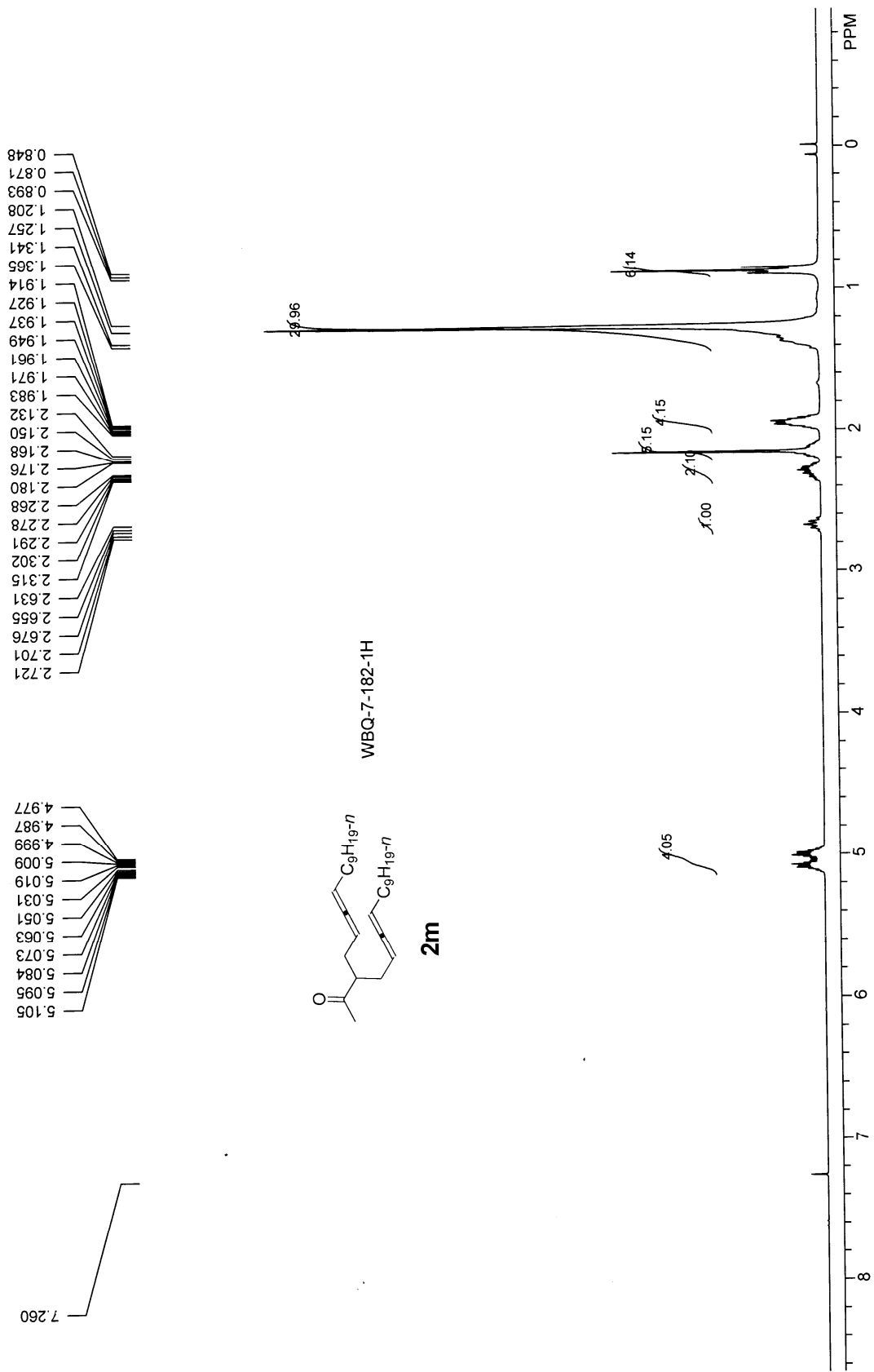
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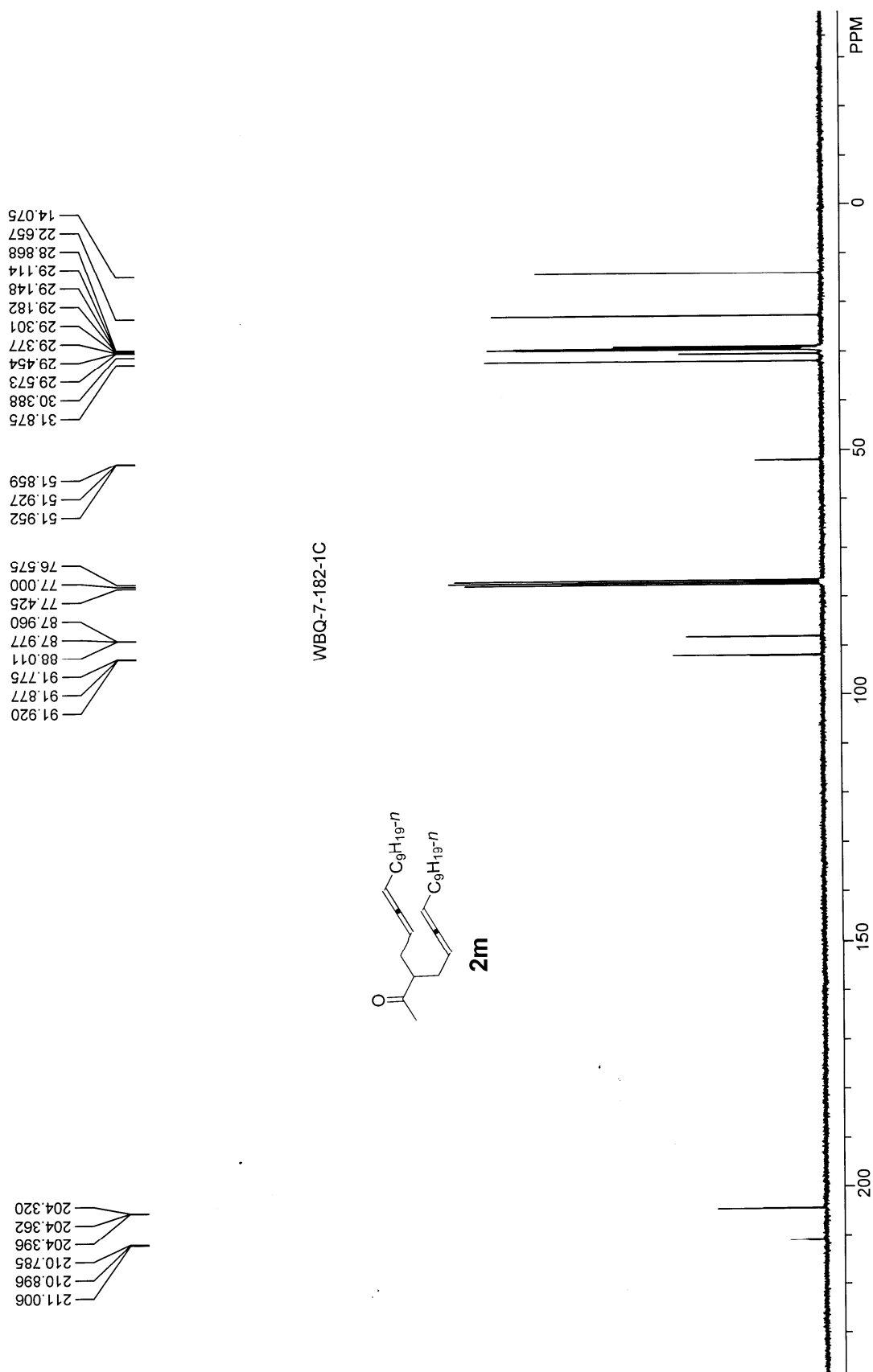


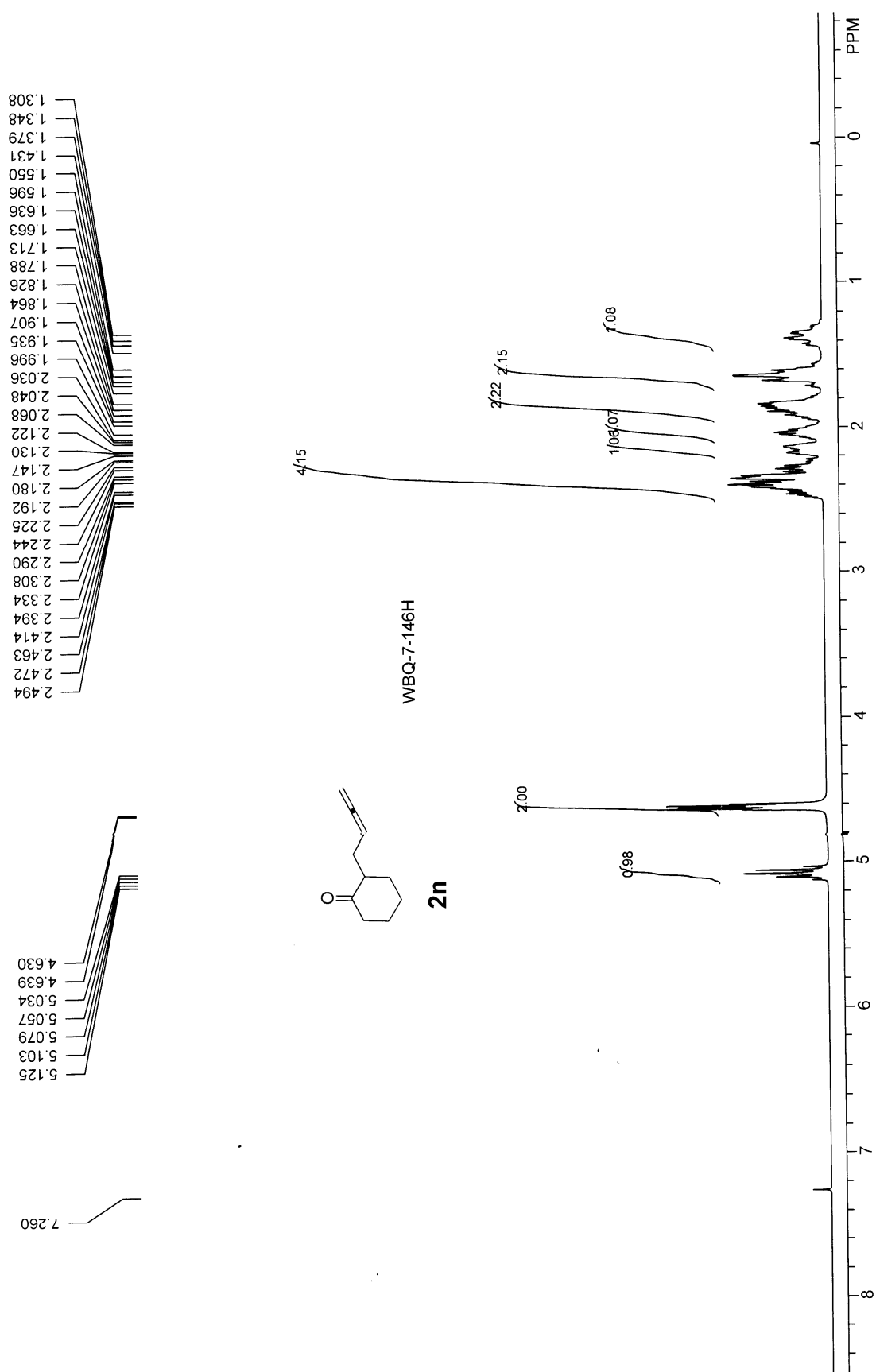
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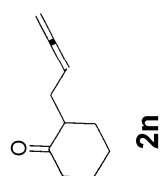
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