

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

Formation of Carbanions from Carboxylate Ions Bearing Electron-withdrawing Groups via Photoinduced Decarboxylation: Addition of Generated Carbanions to Benzaldehyde

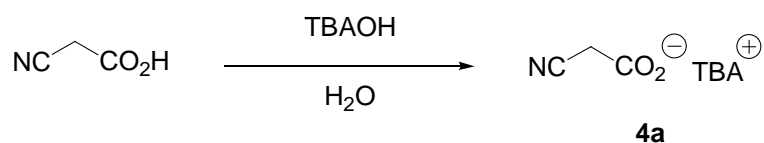
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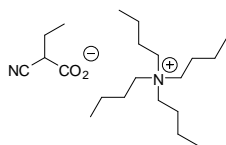
General Experimental

^1H and ^{13}C NMR were recorded on JEOL JNM-AL-300 (300 and 75 MHz) spectrometer and for solution in CDCl_3 containing tetramethylsilane as internal standard. GC-MS spectra were obtained using a Shimadzu GCMS-QP5000. The light source was RIKO UV-100HA 100-W high-pressure mercury arc. Phen, Biphenyl, DCB, and DCN were recrystallized from hexane and EtOAc. Column chromatography was performed on Wakogel C-300, particle size 45-75 μm .

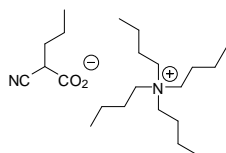
Preparation of tetra-*n*-butylammonium cyanoacetate **4a**



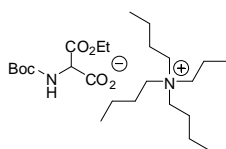
Cyanoacetic acid (5 mmol) and tetra-*n*-butylammonium hydroxide 30-hydrate (TBAOH, 5 mmol) were added to H_2O (50 ml). The mixture was stirred for 2 h at room temperature, and then concentrated under reduced pressure to give **4a**. Other TBA salts **4b-e** were also prepared from the corresponding acetic acid derivatives with TBAOH.



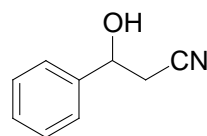
4c; Colorless liquid; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 0.95-1.12 (m, 15H), 1.38-1.50 (m, 8H), 1.60-1.71 (m, 8H), 1.91-2.01 (m, 2H), 3.22-3.38 (m, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.1, 13.7, 19.7, 23.9, 24.5, 42.8, 58.7, 122.0, 169.0.



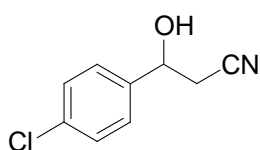
4d; Colorless liquid; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 0.91-1.07 (m, 15H), 1.38-1.71 (m, 17H), 1.84-1.93 (m, 2H), 3.26-3.32 (m, 9H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 13.6, 19.6, 20.8, 23.8, 32.9, 41.0, 58.6, 122.0, 169.1.



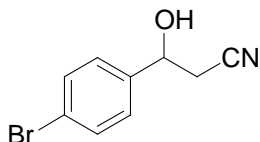
4e; Colorless liquid; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 0.94-1.07 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 12H), 1.25-1.31 (m, 3H), 1.37-1.47 (m, 17H), 1.49-1.69 (m, 8H), 3.26 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 8H), 3.63 (m, 1H), 4.13-4.22 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 13.5, 14.0, 19.5, 23.7, 28.2, 58.3, 60.1, 60.4, 155.0, 166.9, 171.0.



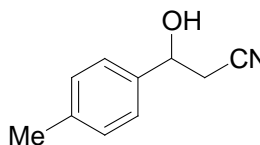
6a; Compound has been previously reported.¹ White solid; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 2.79 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2H), 5.07 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.43 (m, 5H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 27.9, 70.2, 117.2, 125.5, 128.9, 129.0, 141.0; GC-MS 147 (M^+).



6b; Compound has been previously reported.¹ White solid; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 2.76 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 2H), 5.04 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.40 (m, 4H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 28.0, 69.7, 116.9, 126.9, 129.1, 134.7, 139.4; GC-MS 181, 183 (M^+).

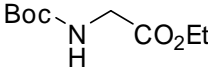


6c; Compound has been previously reported.² White solid; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 2.77 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 2H), 5.04 (t, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.26-7.31 (m, 2H), 7.53-7.55 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 28.0, 69.6, 116.8, 122.9, 127.3, 132.1, 139.9; GC-MS 225, 227 (M^+).



6d; Compound has been previously reported.¹ White solid; ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.77 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 2H), 5.02 (t, $J = 6.0$ Hz,

1H), 7.20-7.31 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.2, 27.9, 70.1, 117.3, 125.4, 129.6, 138.1, 138.8; GC-MS 161 (M⁺).

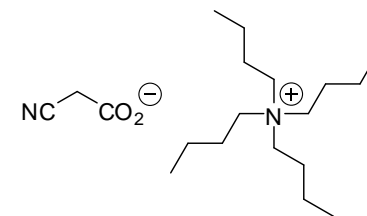
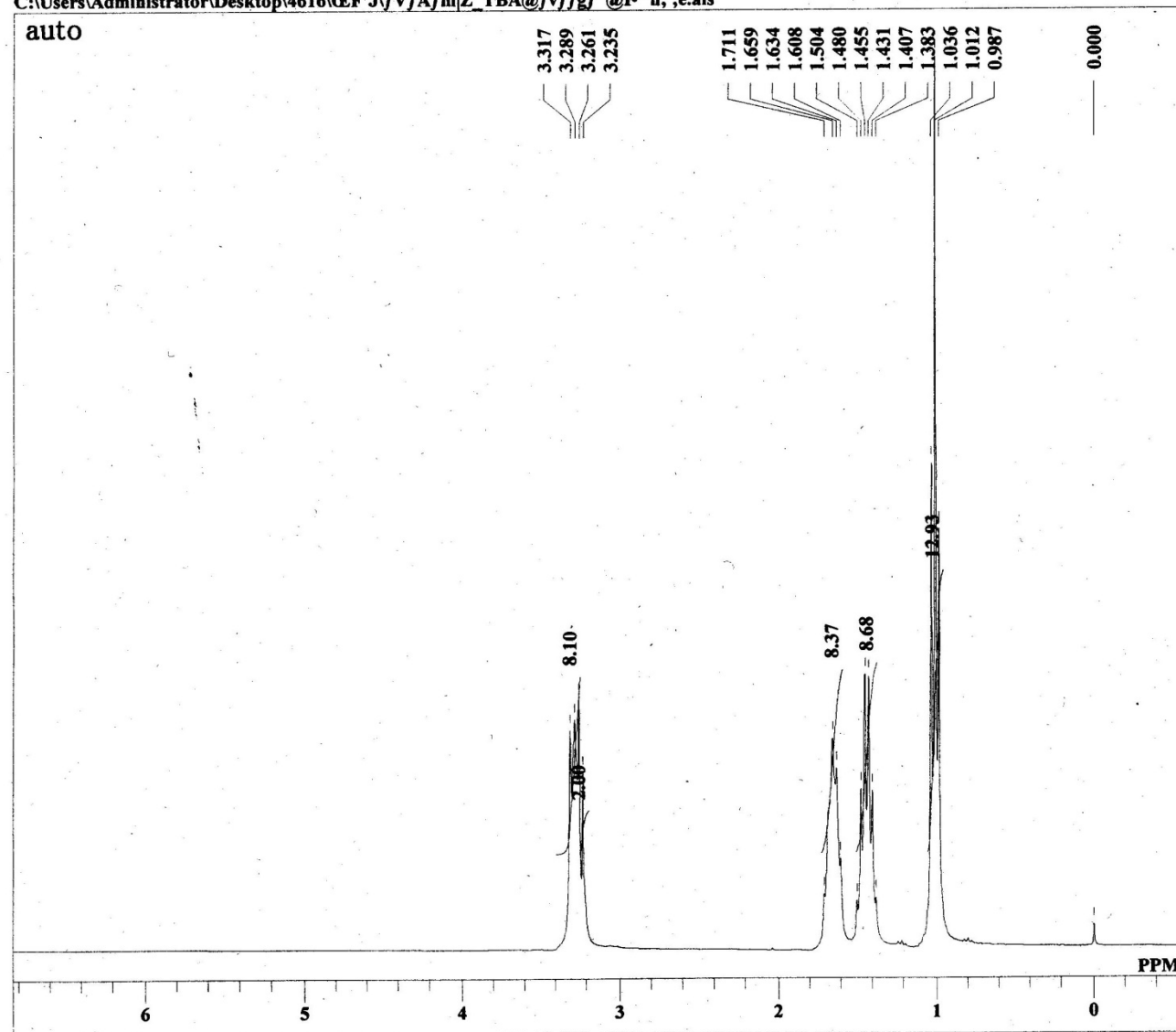
 **8**; Compound has been previously reported.³ White solid; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.28 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.46 (s, 9H), 3.90-3.91 (m, 2H), 4.21 (q, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.1, 28.3, 42.4, 61.3, 79.9, 155.7, 170.3; GC-MS 203 (M⁺).

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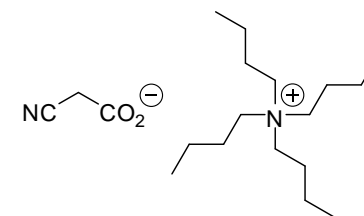
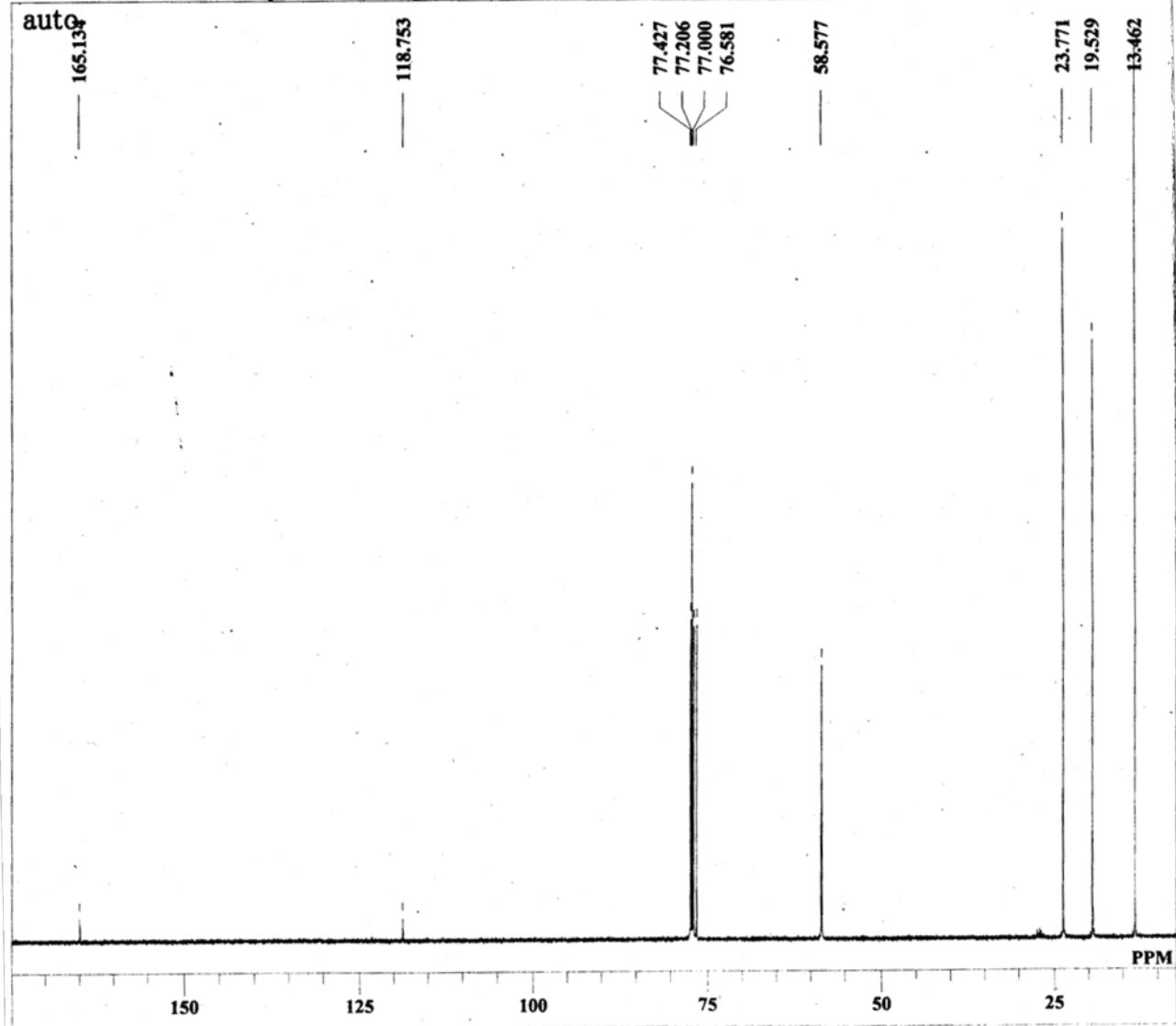
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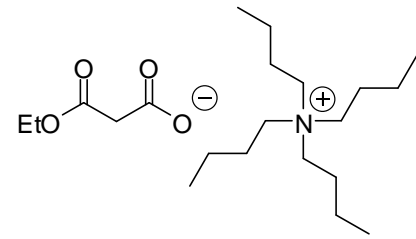
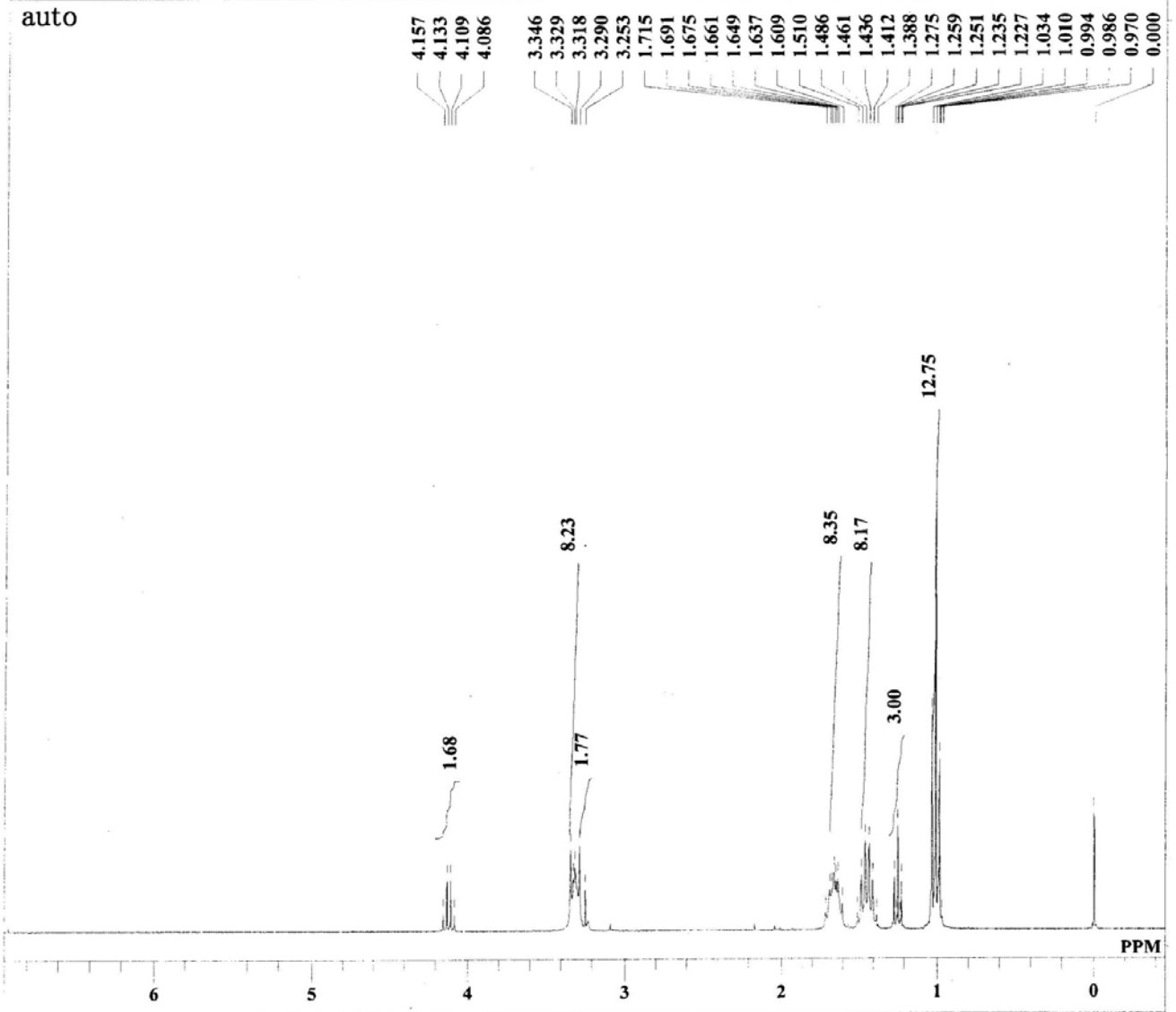
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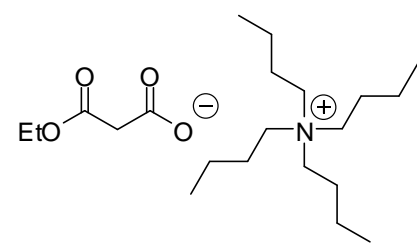
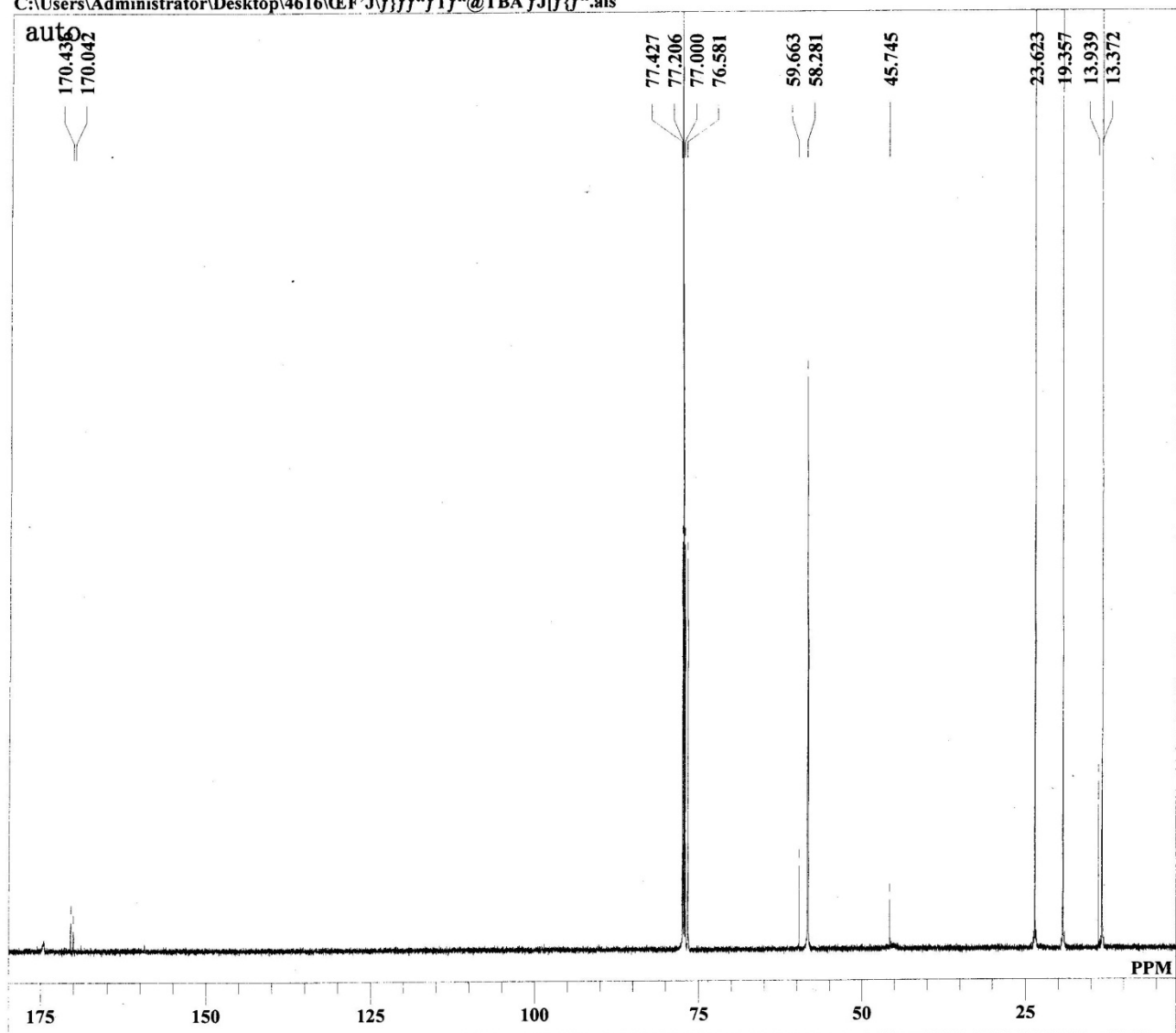
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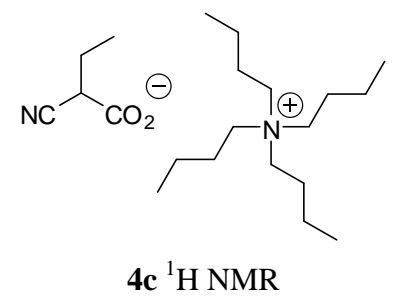
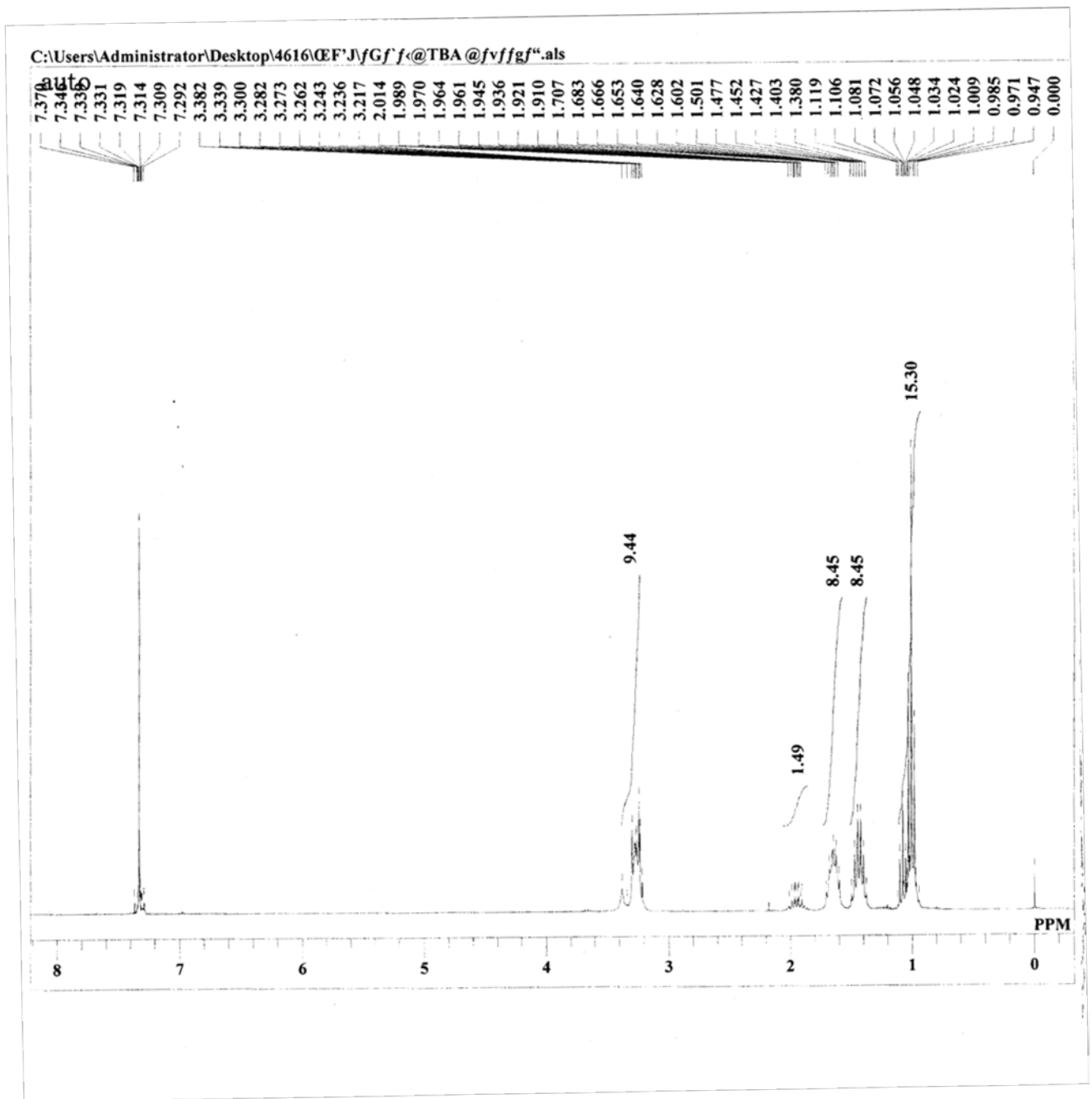


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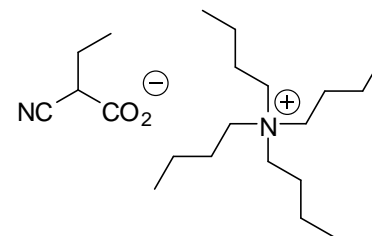
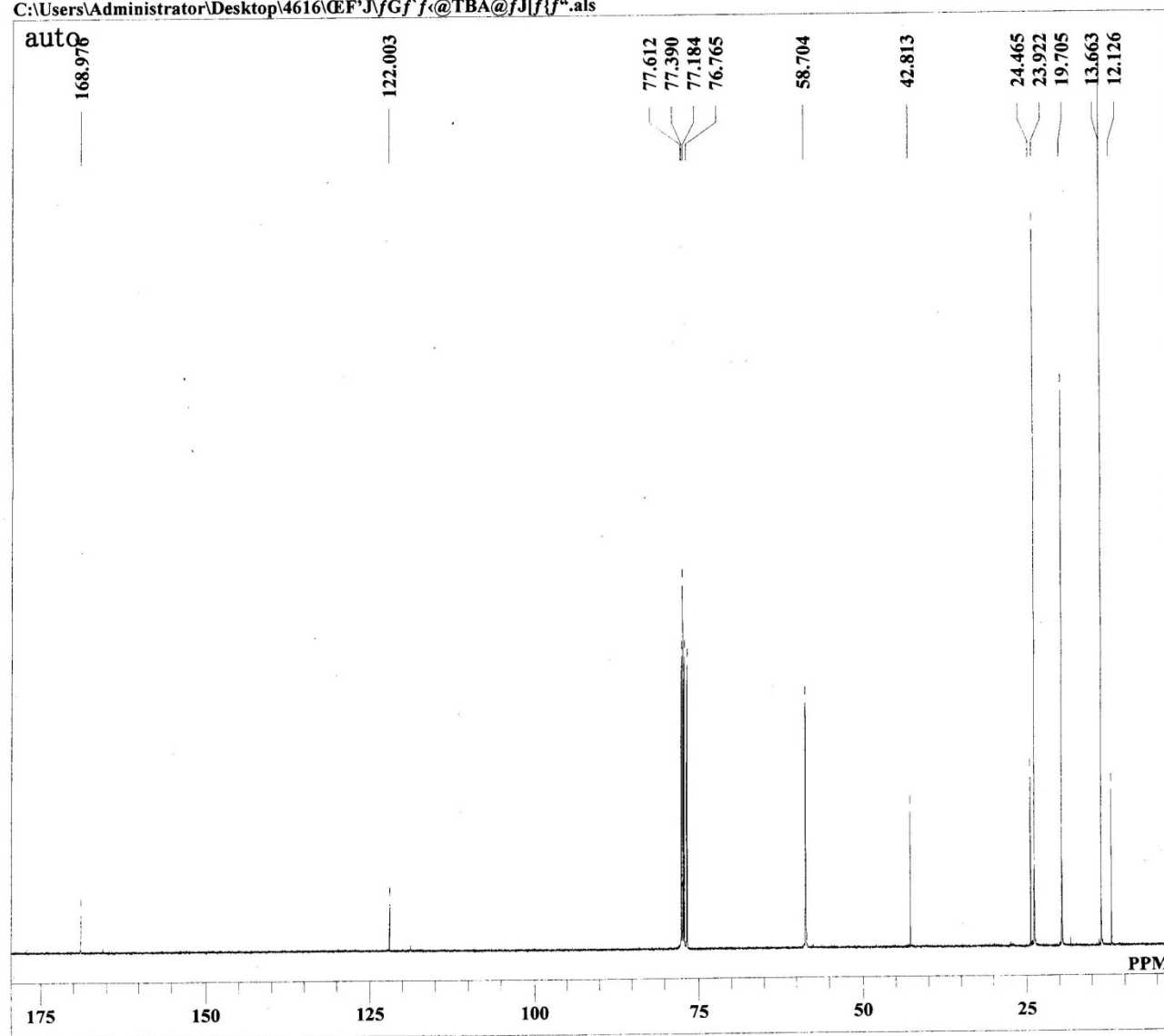
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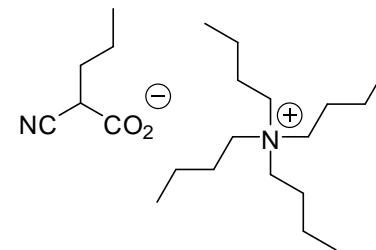
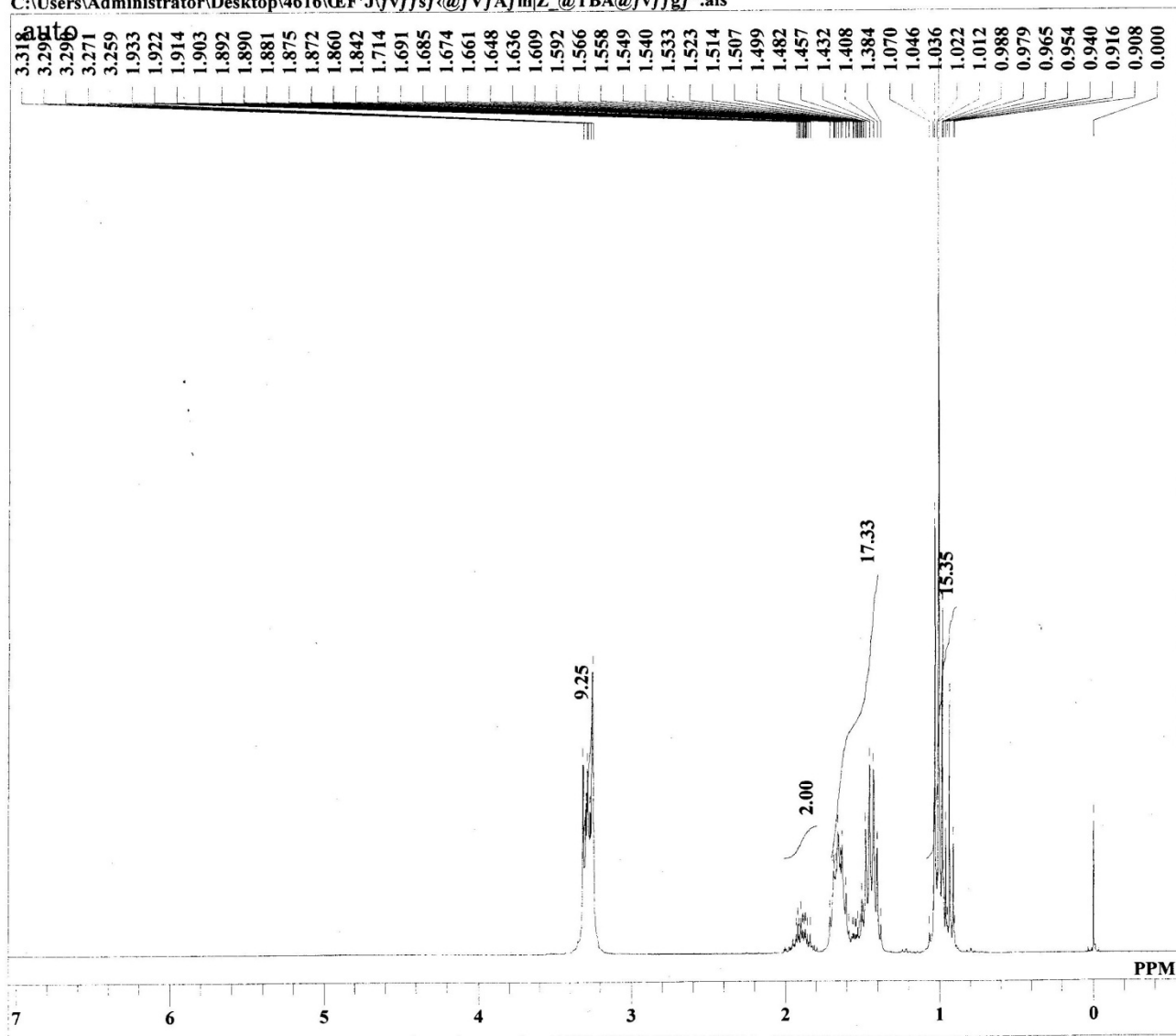


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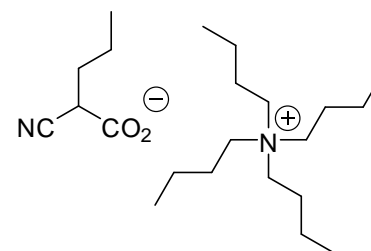
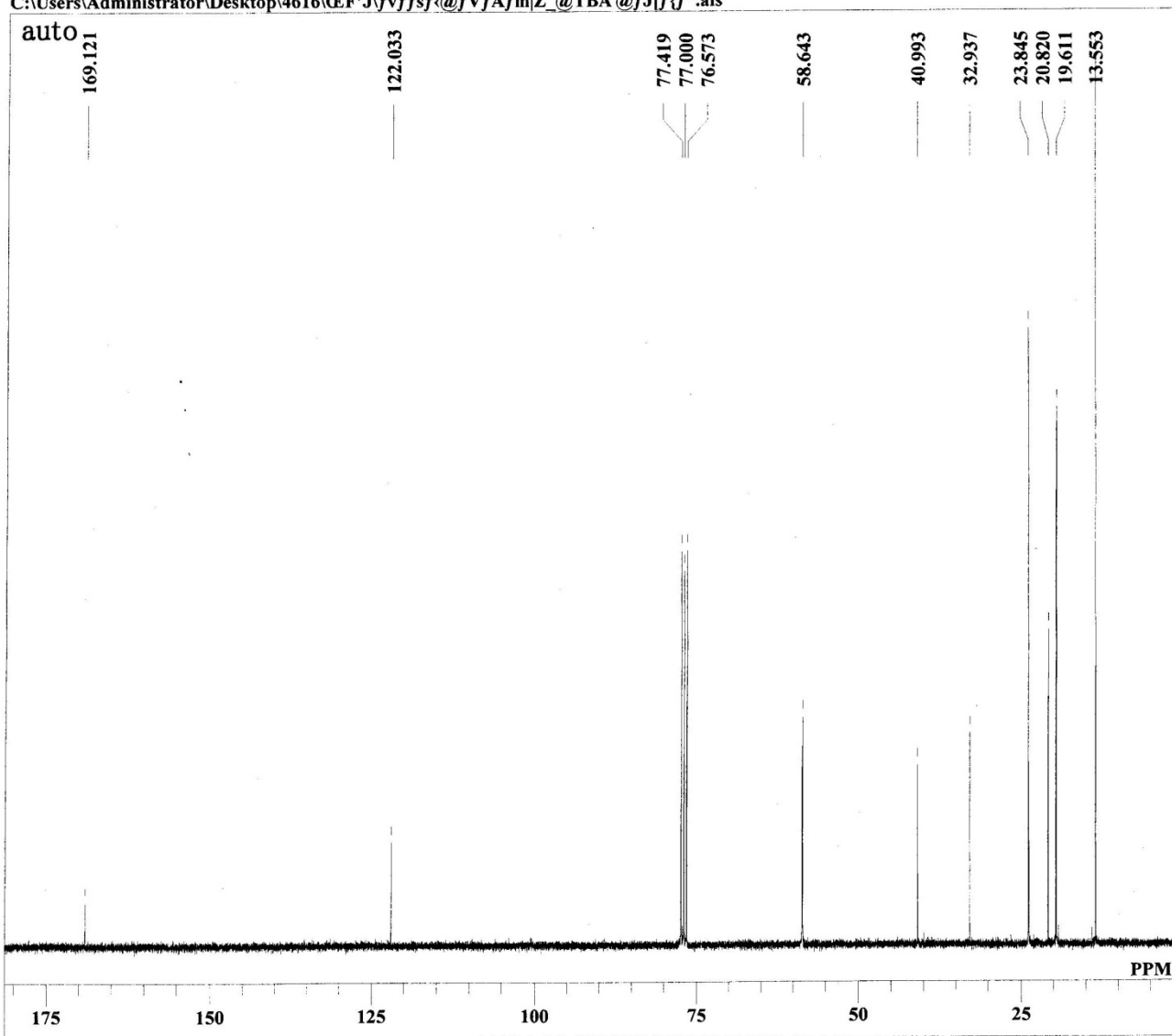
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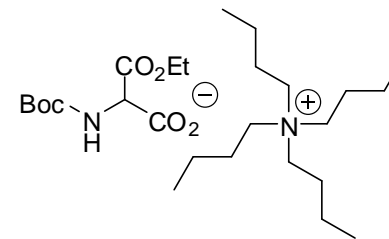
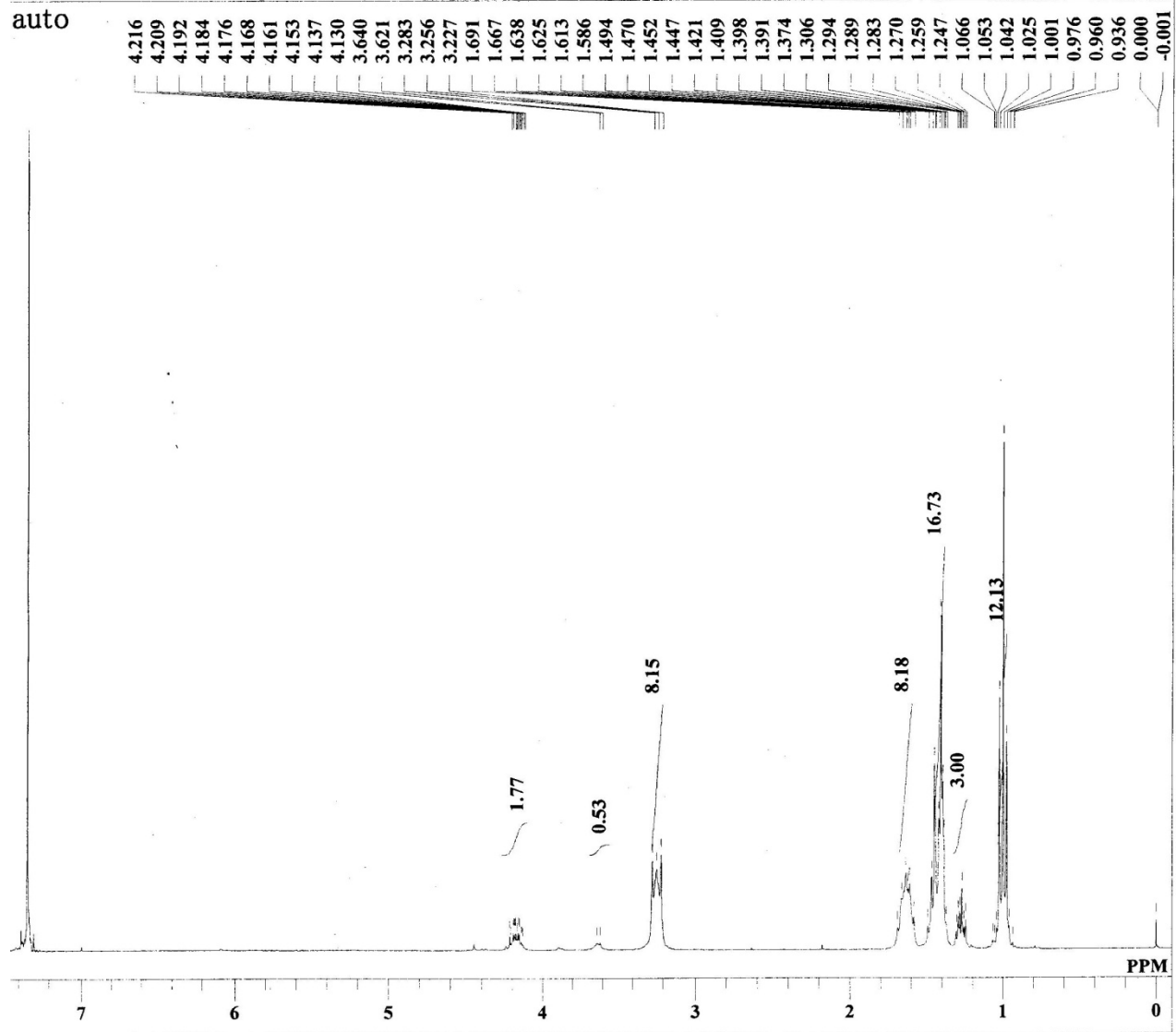
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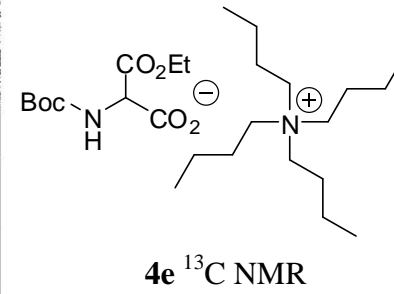
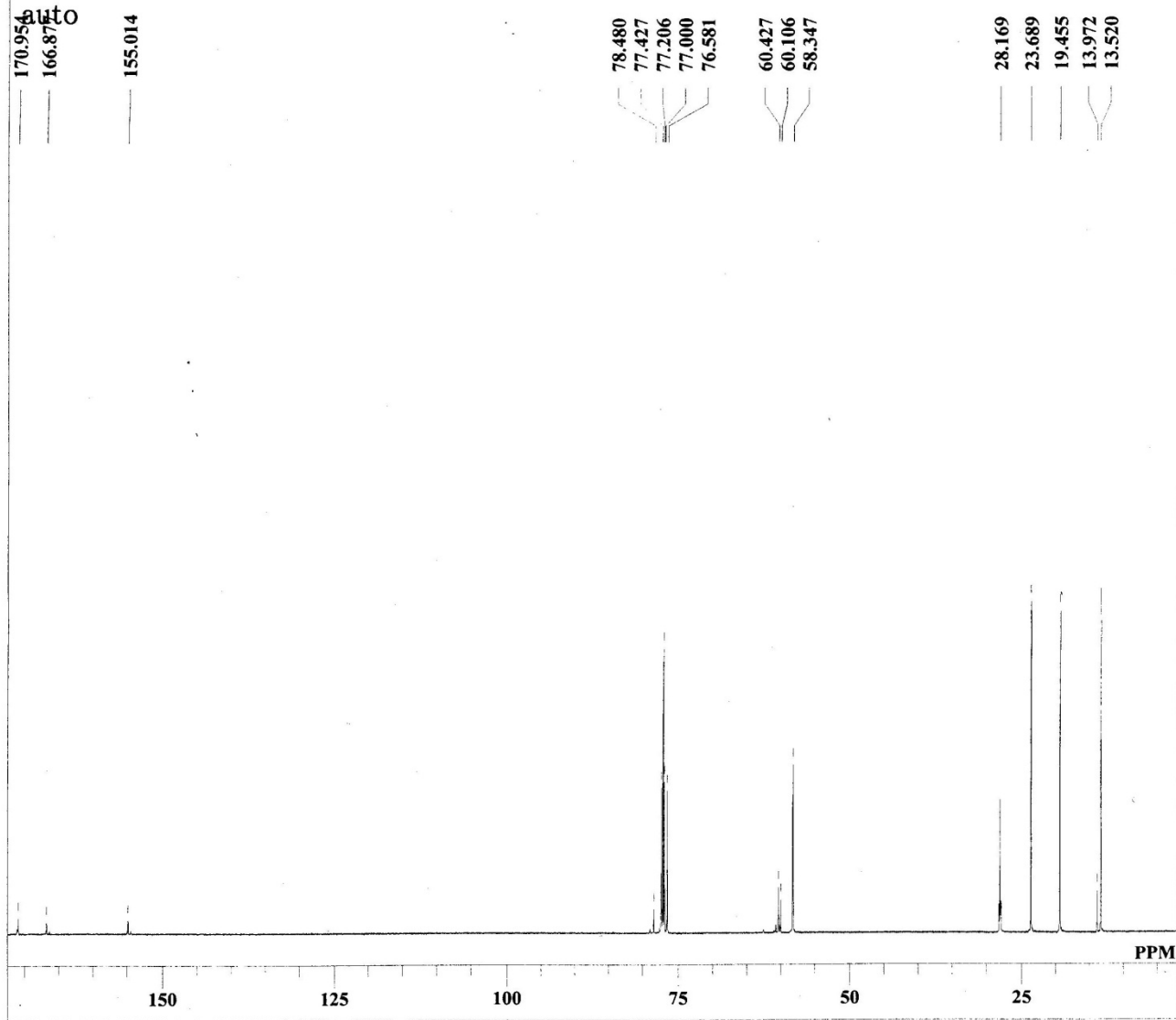
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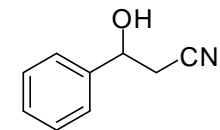
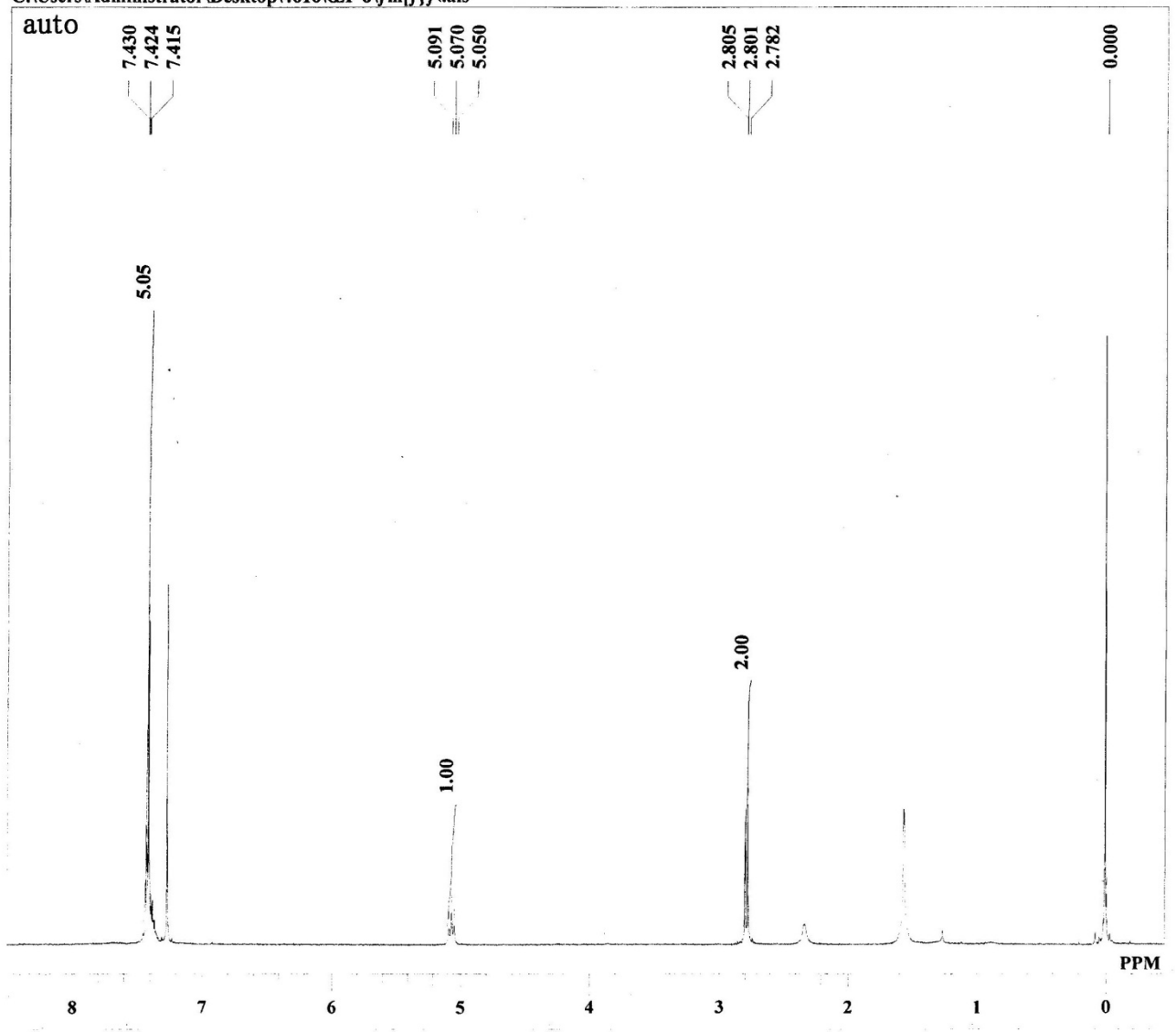


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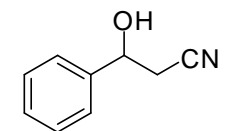
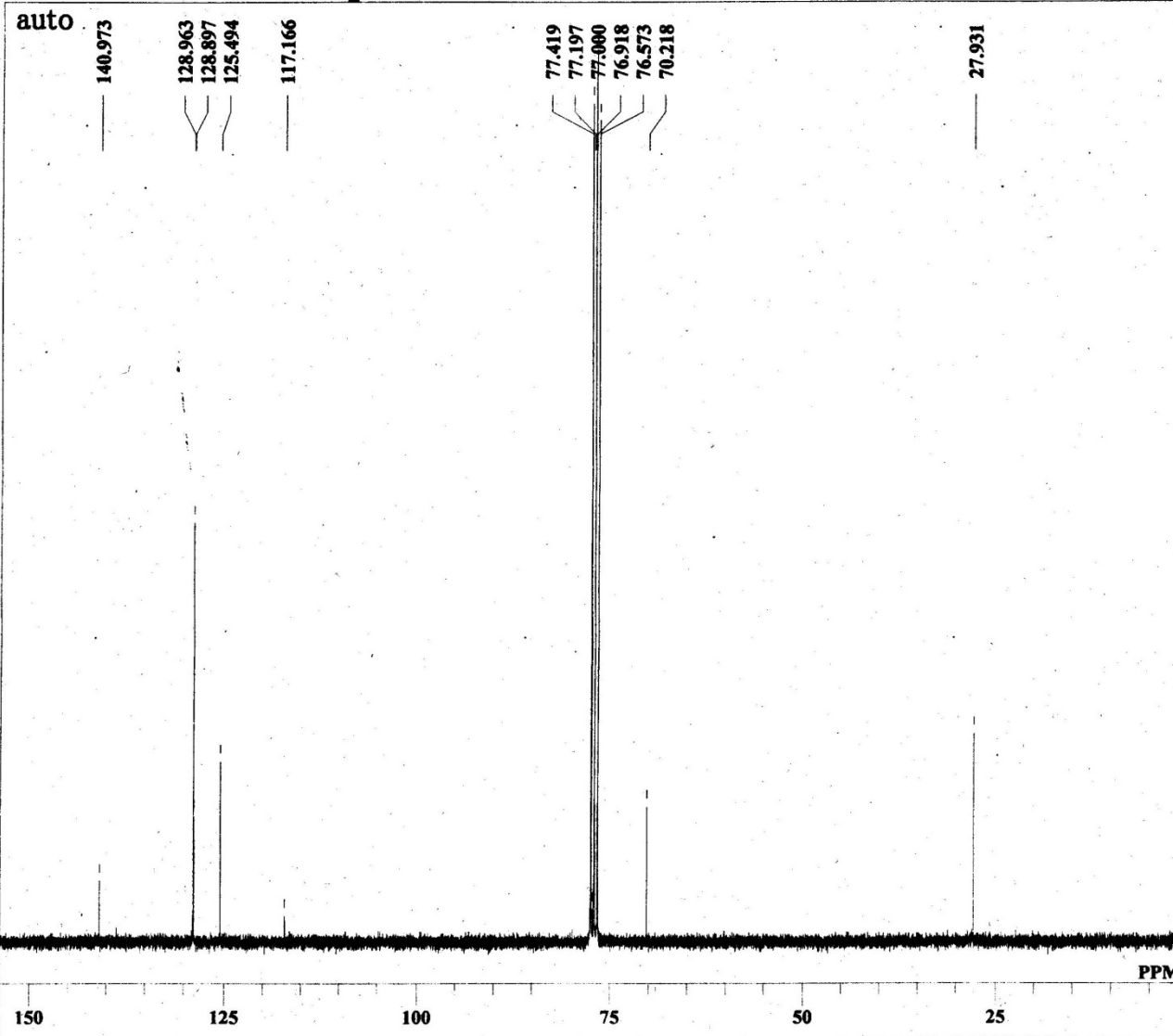


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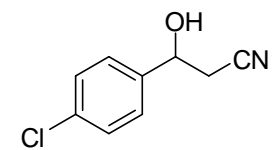
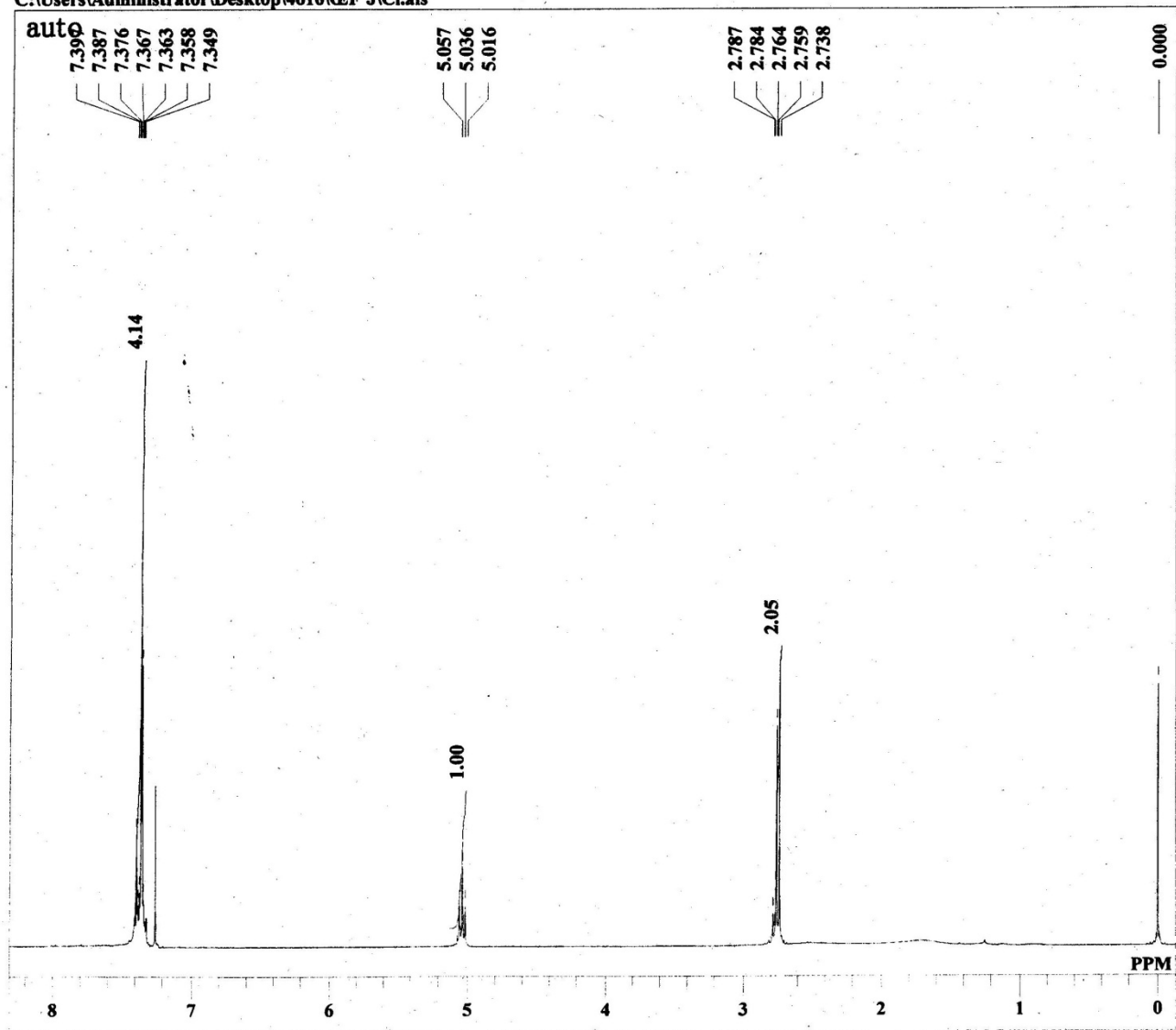
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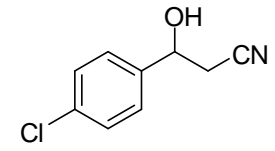
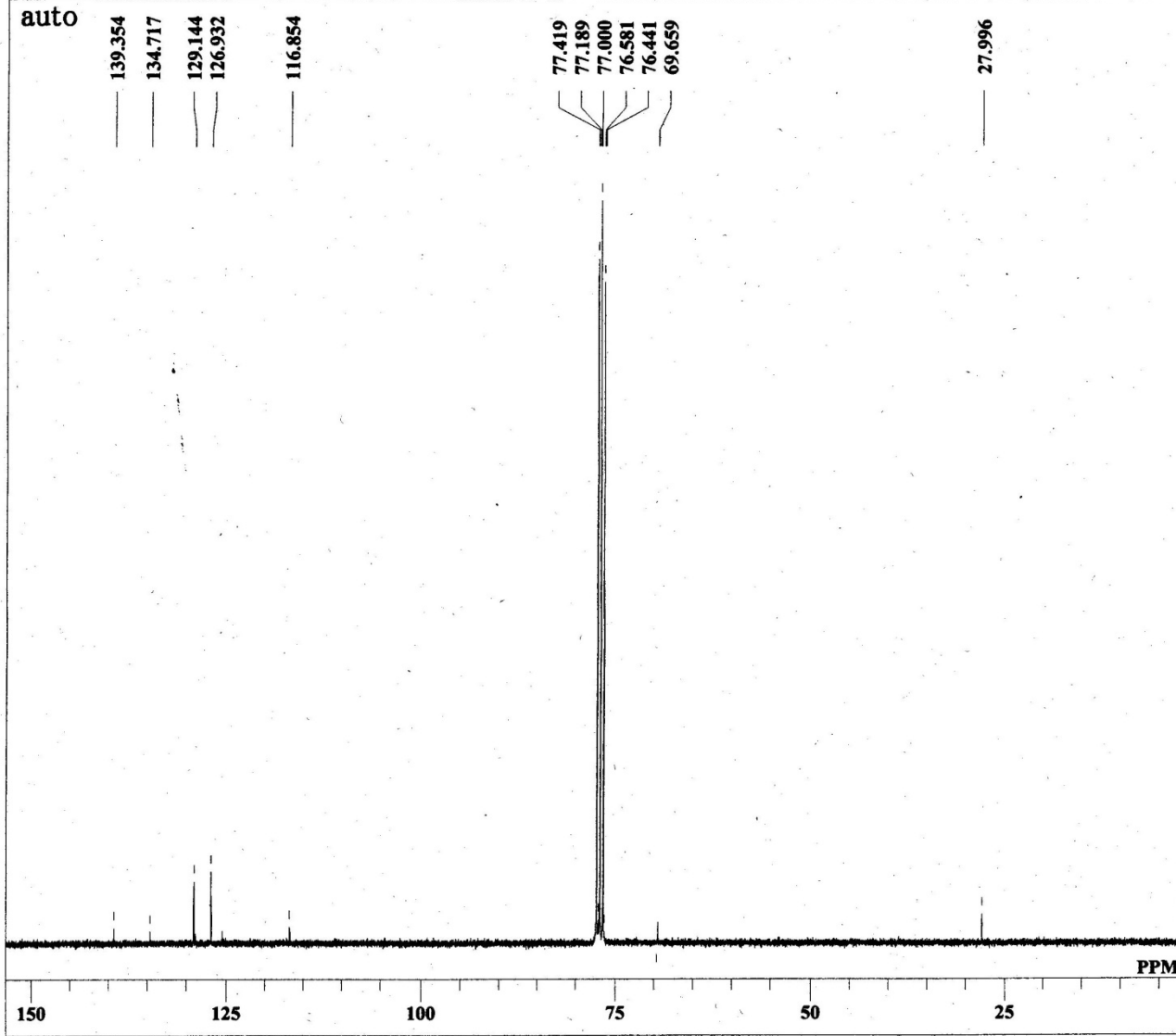
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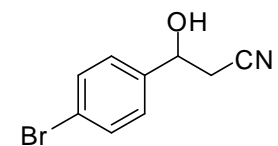
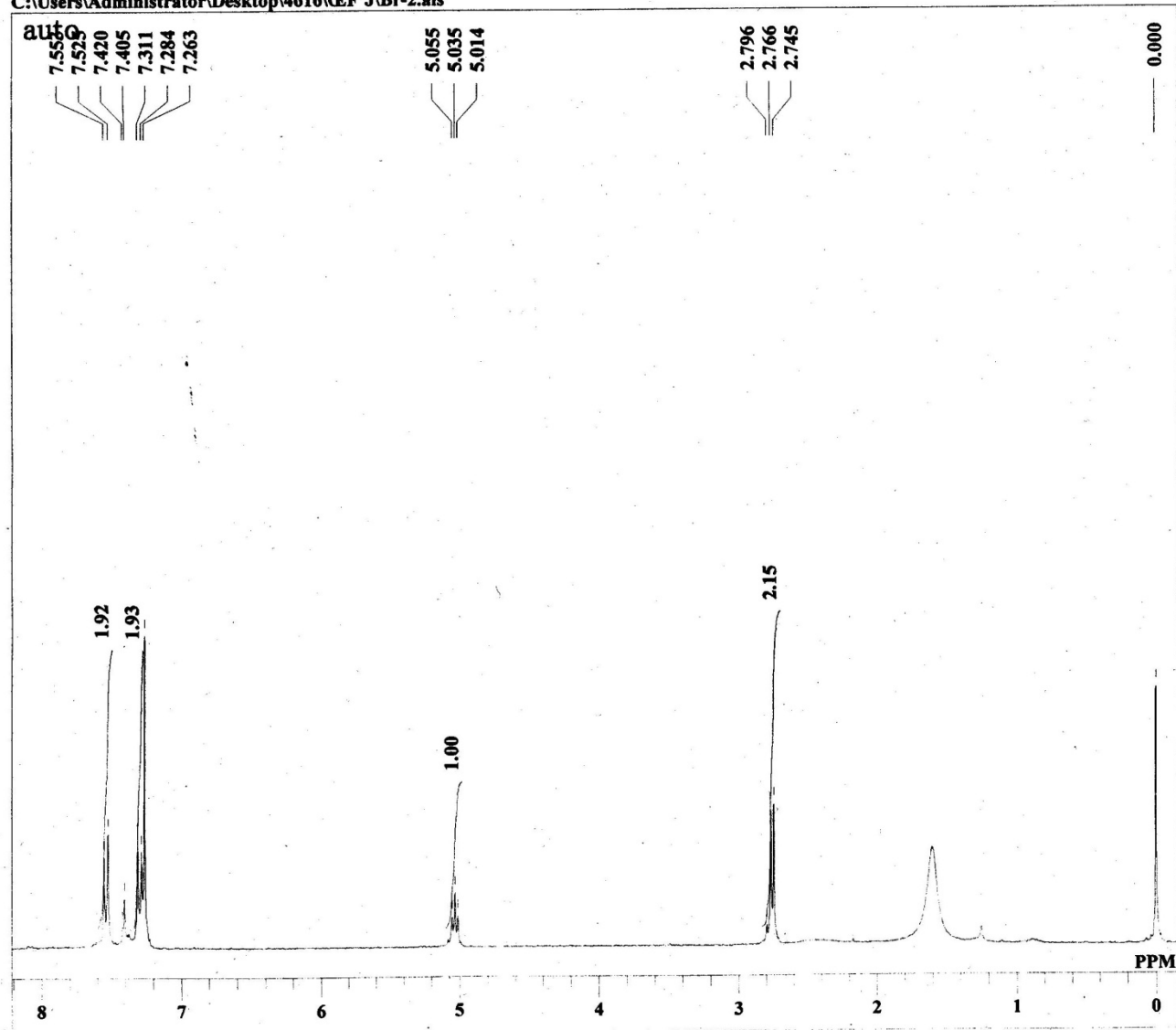
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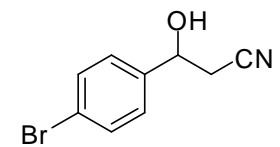
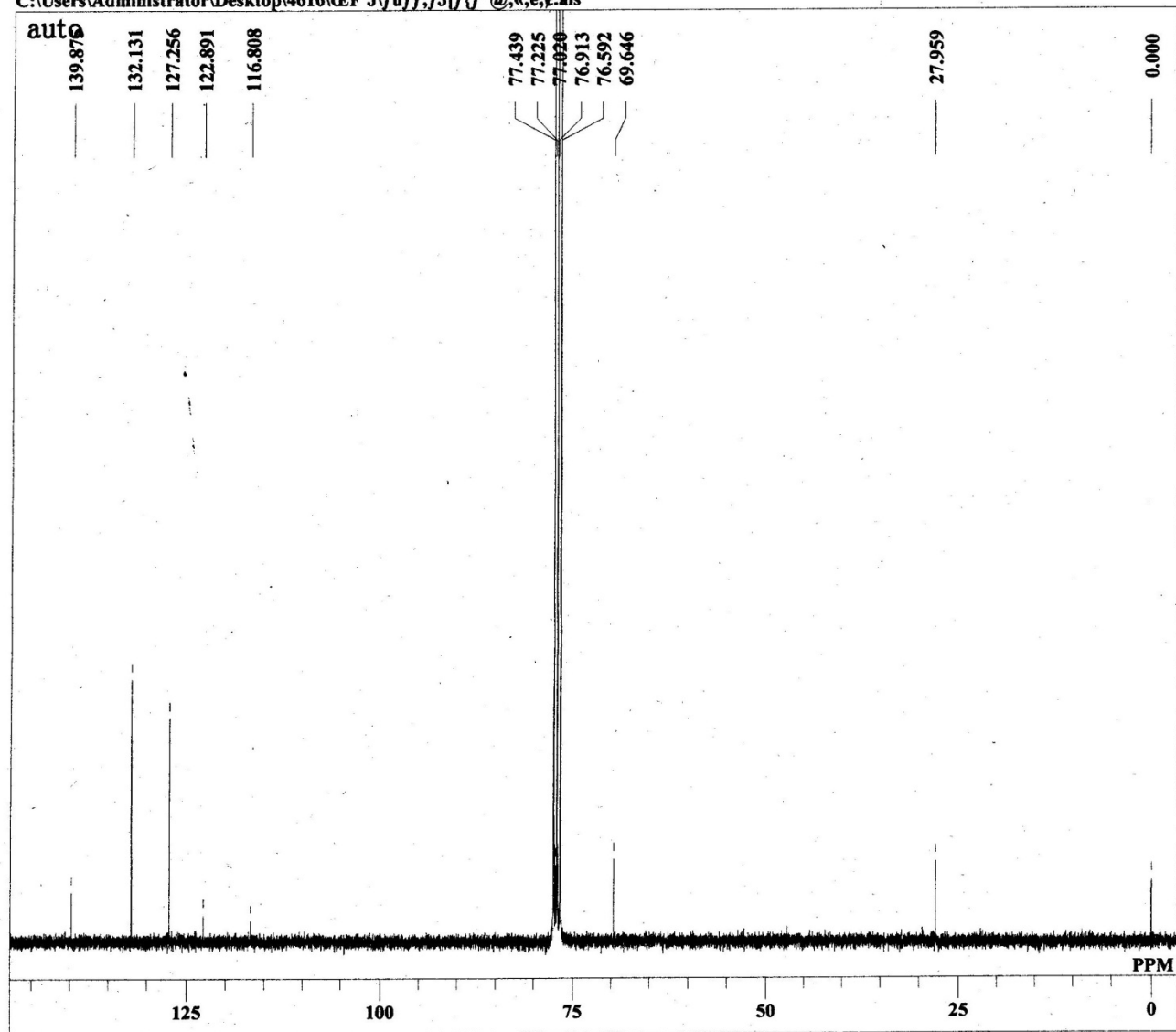
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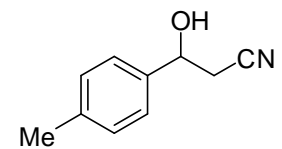
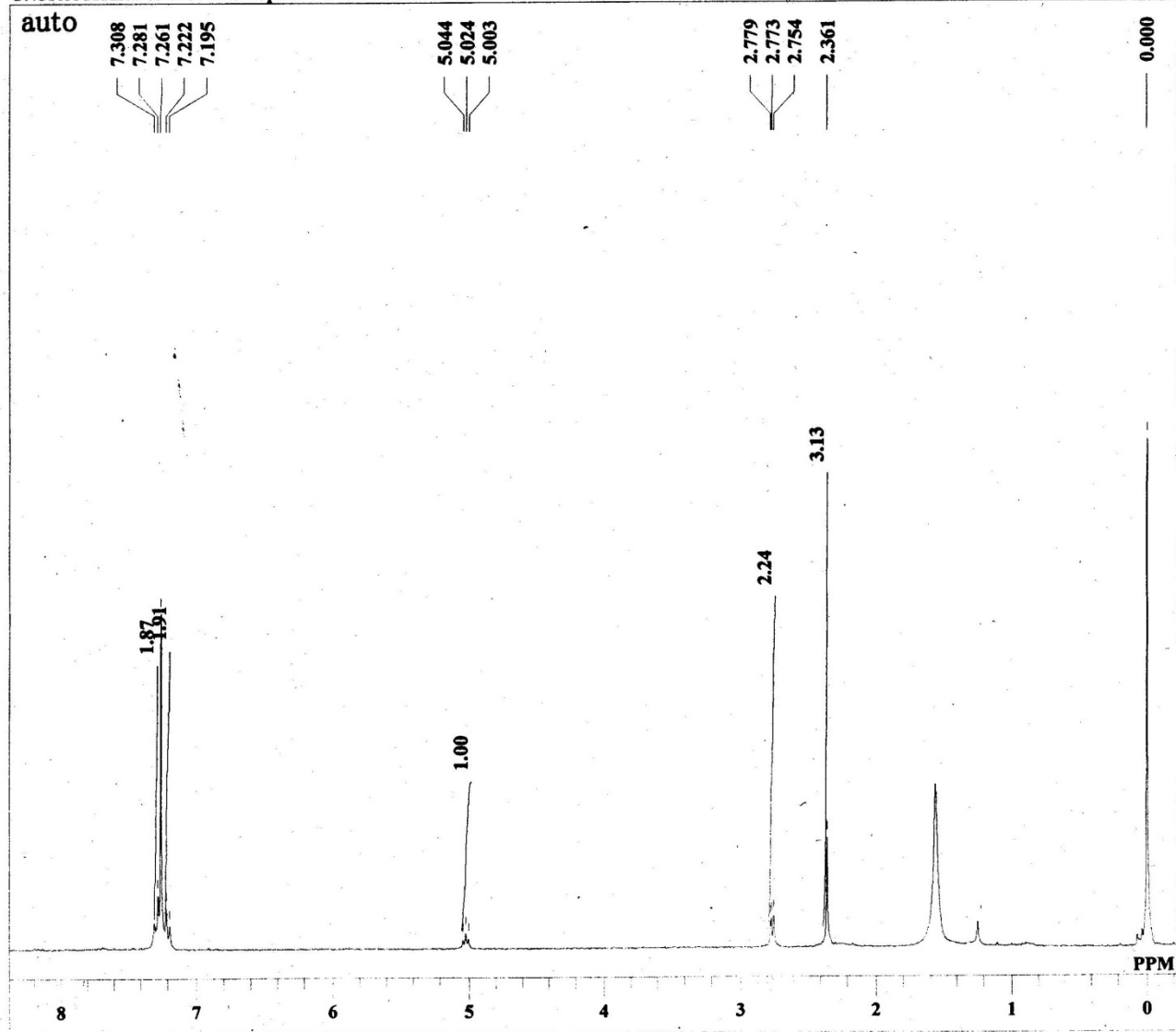
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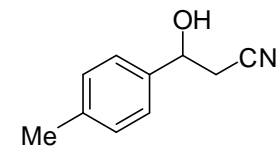
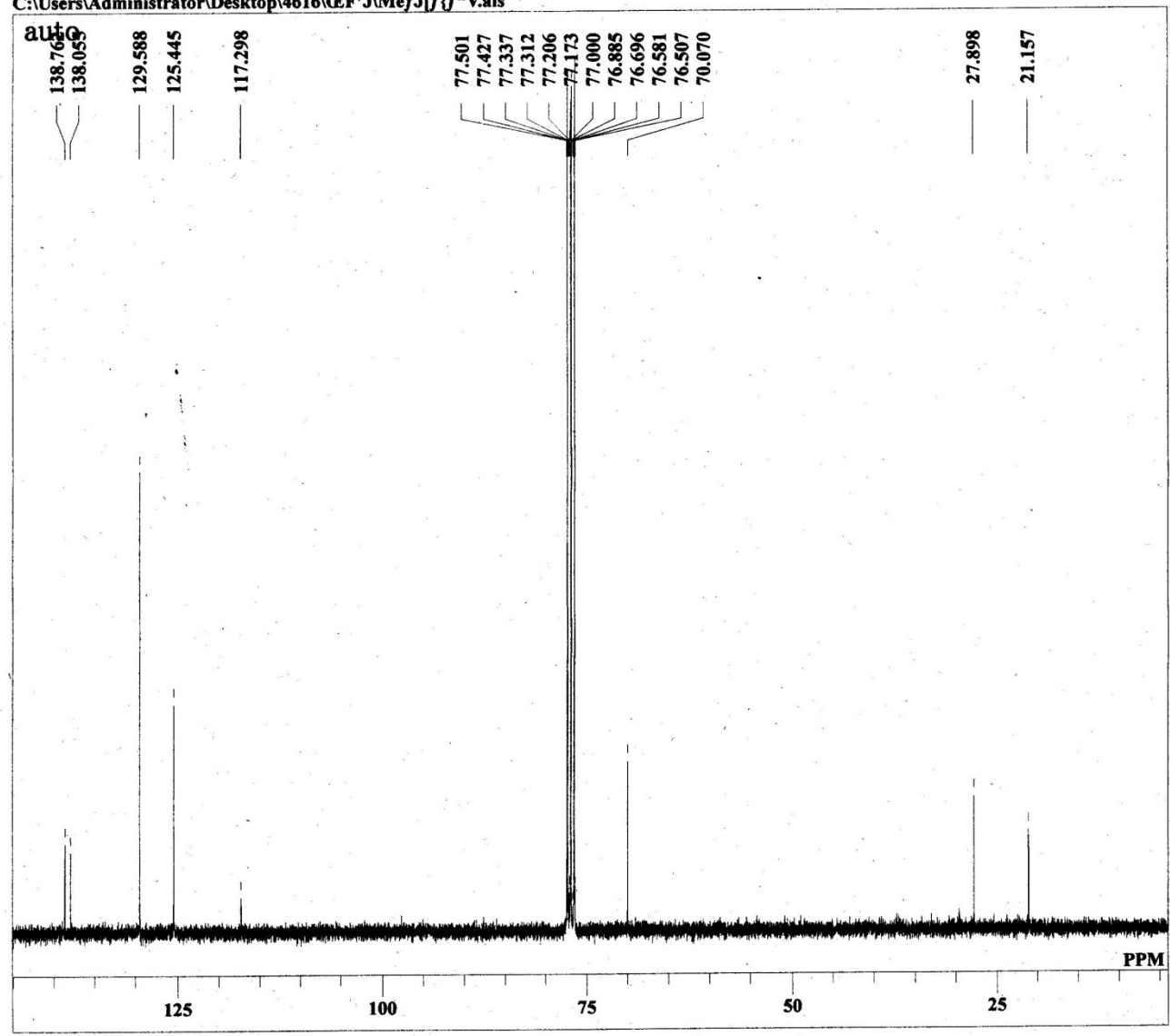
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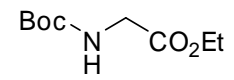
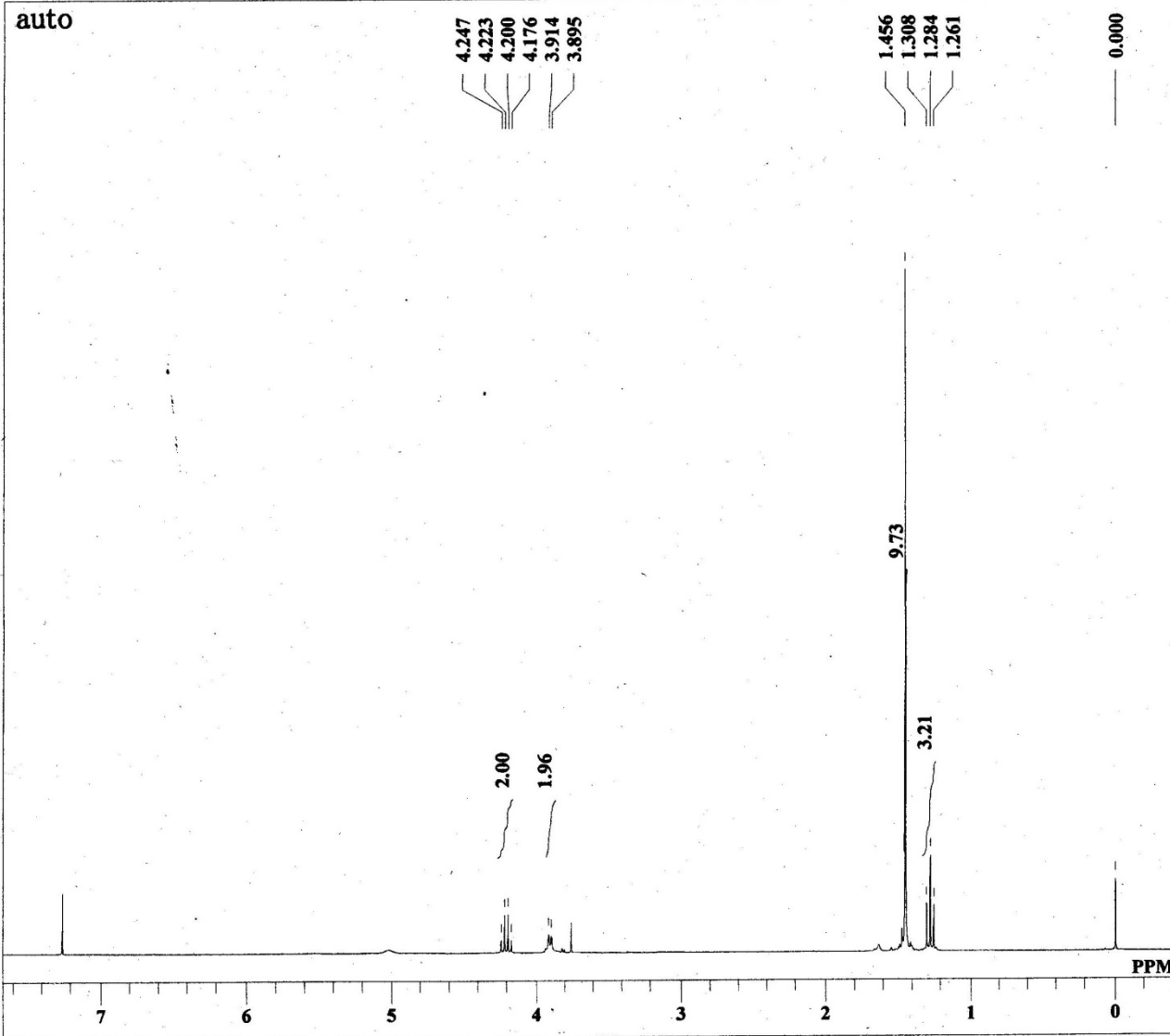
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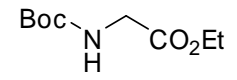
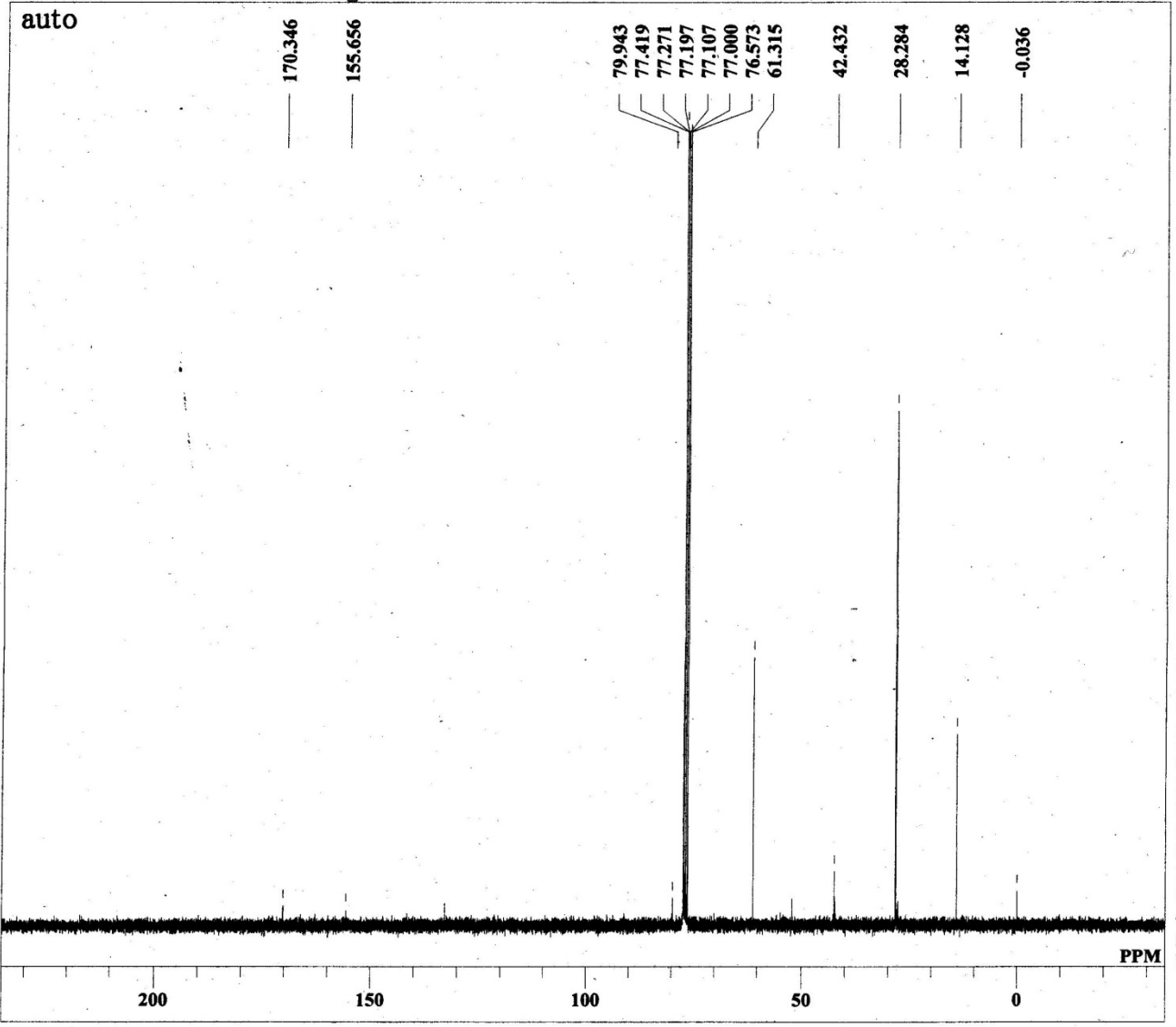
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