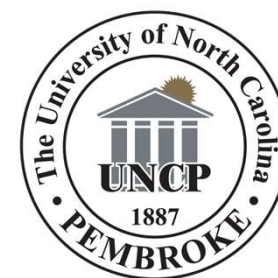


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# Synthesis and Isolation of $\beta$ -cis-Dinitrobis(2-ampy)- cobalt(III)nitrate

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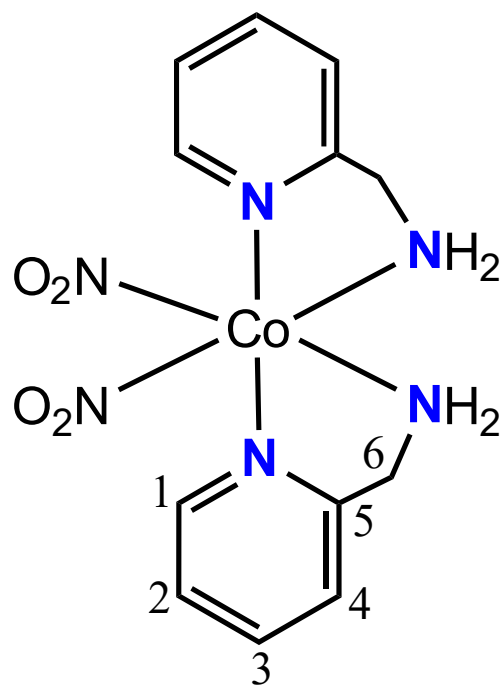
# Abstract

The purpose of this experiment was to synthesize, isolate, and identify a sample of  $\beta$ -cis-Dinitrobis(2-ampy)-cobalt(III)nitrate. The compound was synthesized and isolated by successive extraction and then identified by utilizing C-13 NMR. A pure sample of  $\beta$ -cis-Dinitrobis(2-ampy)-cobalt(III)nitrate was produced, with an NMR showing a total of eight peaks within the aromatic region. Two-dimensional NMR was used to partially assign signals.

# Background

For this compound, three different compounds are possible,  $\alpha$ -cis,  $\gamma$ -cis, and  $\beta$ -cis. In a previous experiment, the  $\alpha$ -cis isomer was synthesized and compared to the  $\gamma$ -cis. In this experiment,  $\beta$ -cis was synthesized.

The reason for synthesizing the  $\beta$ -cis isomer, is to observe the complexity in structure by analyzing the C-13 NMR. The C-13 NMRs for  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma$  isomers will have 4 peaks from the two chemically equivalent pyridine rings. Due to the two rings of the  $\beta$  isomer being chemically nonequivalent, the spectrum would show 8 distinct peaks.

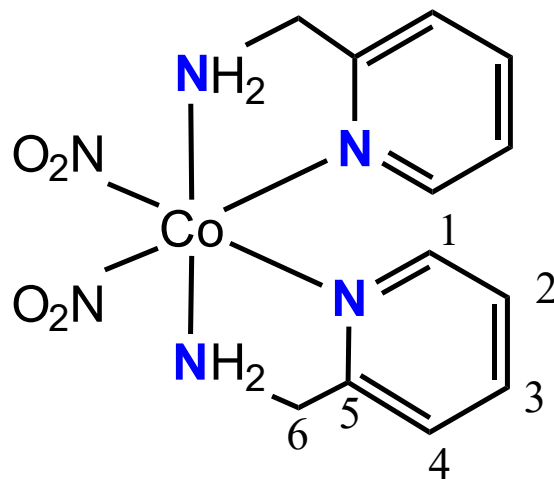


**$\alpha$ -Cis**

NO<sub>2</sub> groups cis

NH<sub>2</sub> groups cis

Pyridine-N groups trans

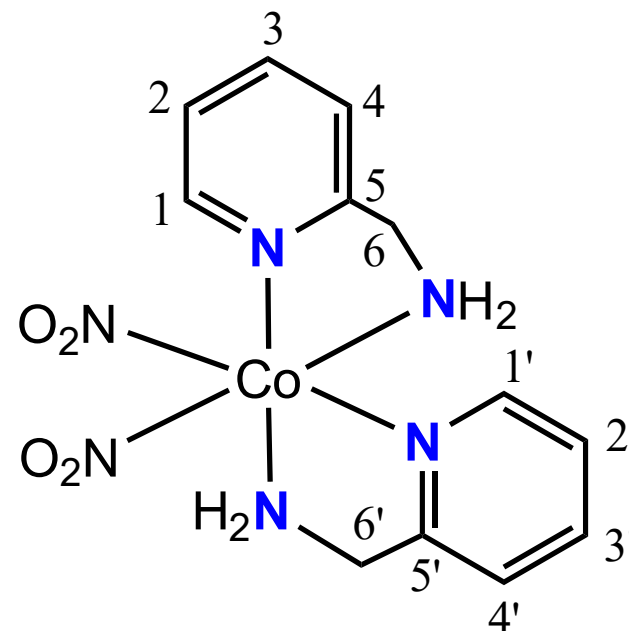


**$\gamma$ -Cis**

NO<sub>2</sub> groups cis

NH<sub>2</sub> groups trans

Pyridine-N groups trans



**$\beta$ -Cis**

NO<sub>2</sub> groups cis

NH<sub>2</sub> groups cis

Pyridine-N groups cis

# Experimental

## Initial synthesis

- 5.800g cobalt (II) nitrate and 3.005g sodium nitrite were dissolved in approximately 10 mL of distilled water.
- A solution of 4.3 mL of 2-picolyamine and 1.6 mL of concentrated acid was prepared and cooled in an ice bath.
- The cooled solution is then added to the cobalt (III) nitrate and sodium nitrite mixture and mixed thoroughly
- The mixture was oxidized for 1 hour
- After oxidation, the mixture was cooled in an ice bath, suction filtered, and washed with acetone
- The product was left to air-dry for 1 week
- The final yield of the product was 6.419g

# Experimental (cont.)

- Extractions (3 Total)
  - The product was redissolved in the bare minimum amount of boiling water that would entirely dissolve the product. This was approximately 150 to 160 mL, 140 mL, and 80 mL of distilled water at a low boil for extractions 1 through 3 respectively.
  - After being fully dissolved, the solution is cooled in an ice bath
  - After cooling, suction filtration was performed in conjunction with grinding the product in acetone with a mortar and pestle
- After each extraction, a C-13 NMR was performed to evaluate the effectiveness and necessity of each extraction.

# Experimental (cont.)

- Instrument used: Anasazi Eft 90 NMR Spectrometer
- When performing the C-13, the solvent used was D<sub>6</sub>-DMSO
- To calibrate the NMR, the solvent peak was assigned to a multiplet value 39.5
- When performing a proton NMR, the solvent used was DSS

# C-13 Analysis

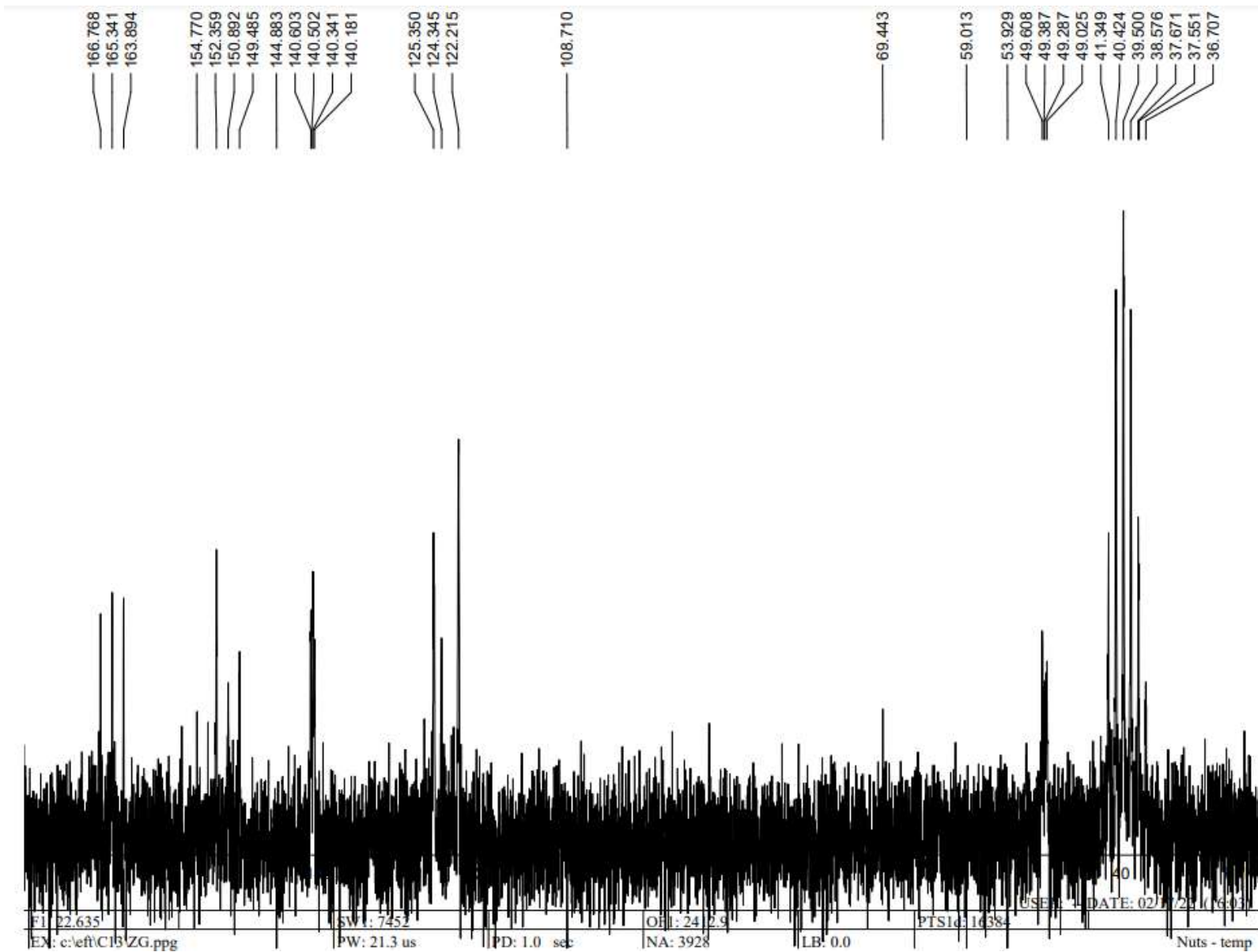
The C-13 spectra is divided into four sets of three signals. Each set corresponding to C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>.

There was one signal in each set from the  $\alpha$ -cis isomer, whose rings are chemically equivalent. There were two signals in each set from the  $\beta$ -cis isomer, whose rings are not chemically equivalent.

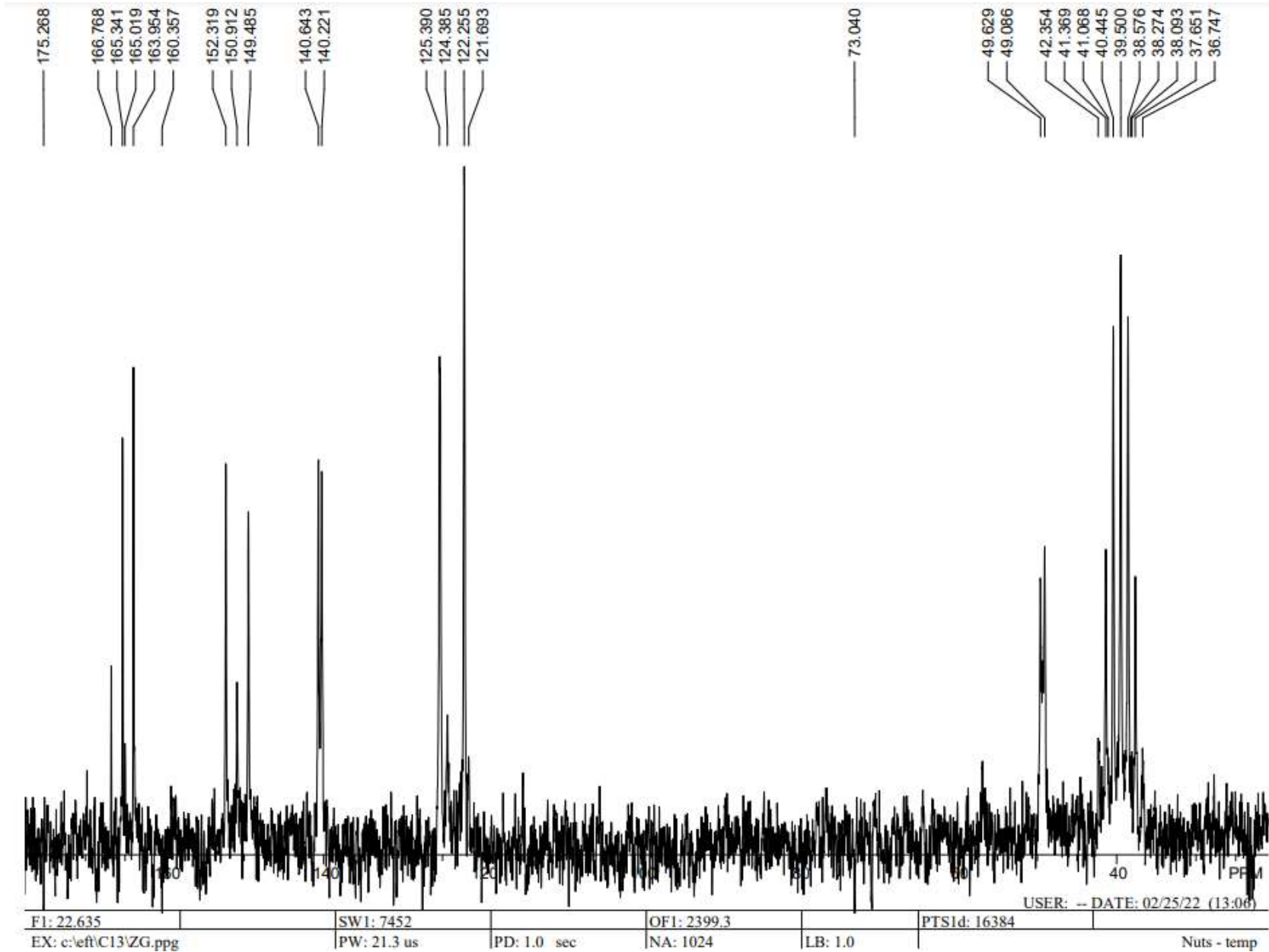
After the third extraction, any signals remaining from the  $\alpha$ -cis isomer had disappeared.



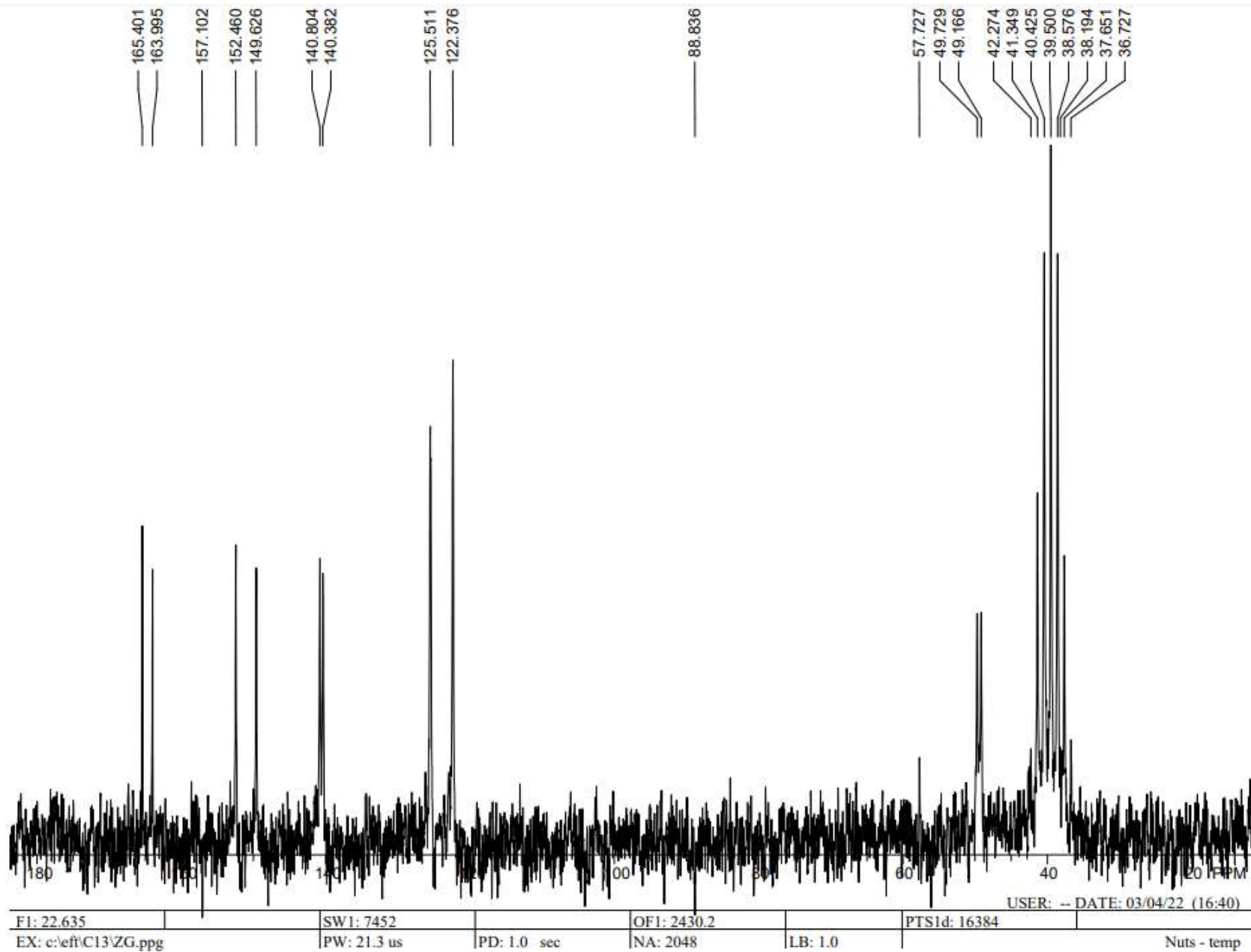
# Sample After 1<sup>st</sup> Extraction



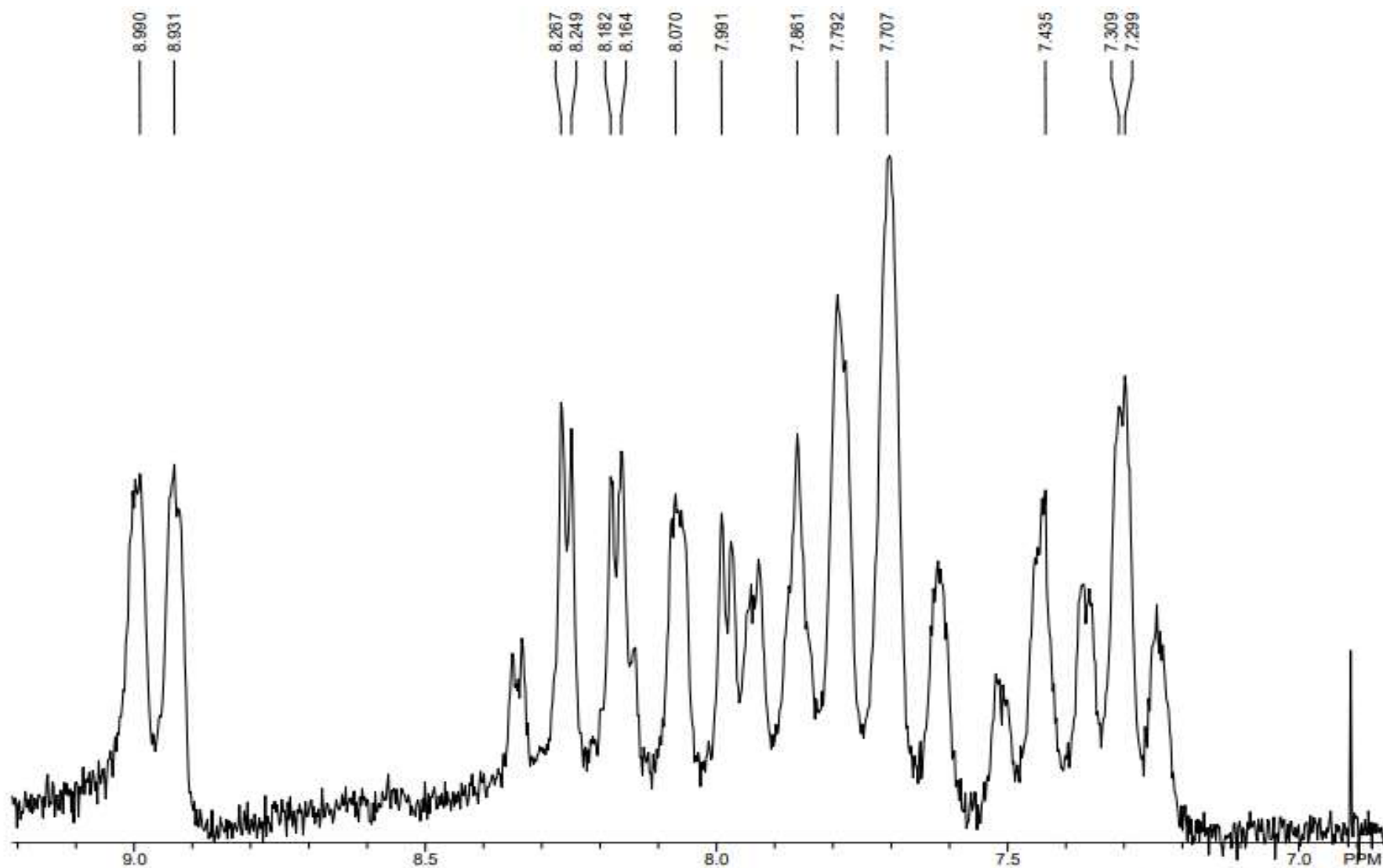
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# Sample After 3<sup>rd</sup> Extraction

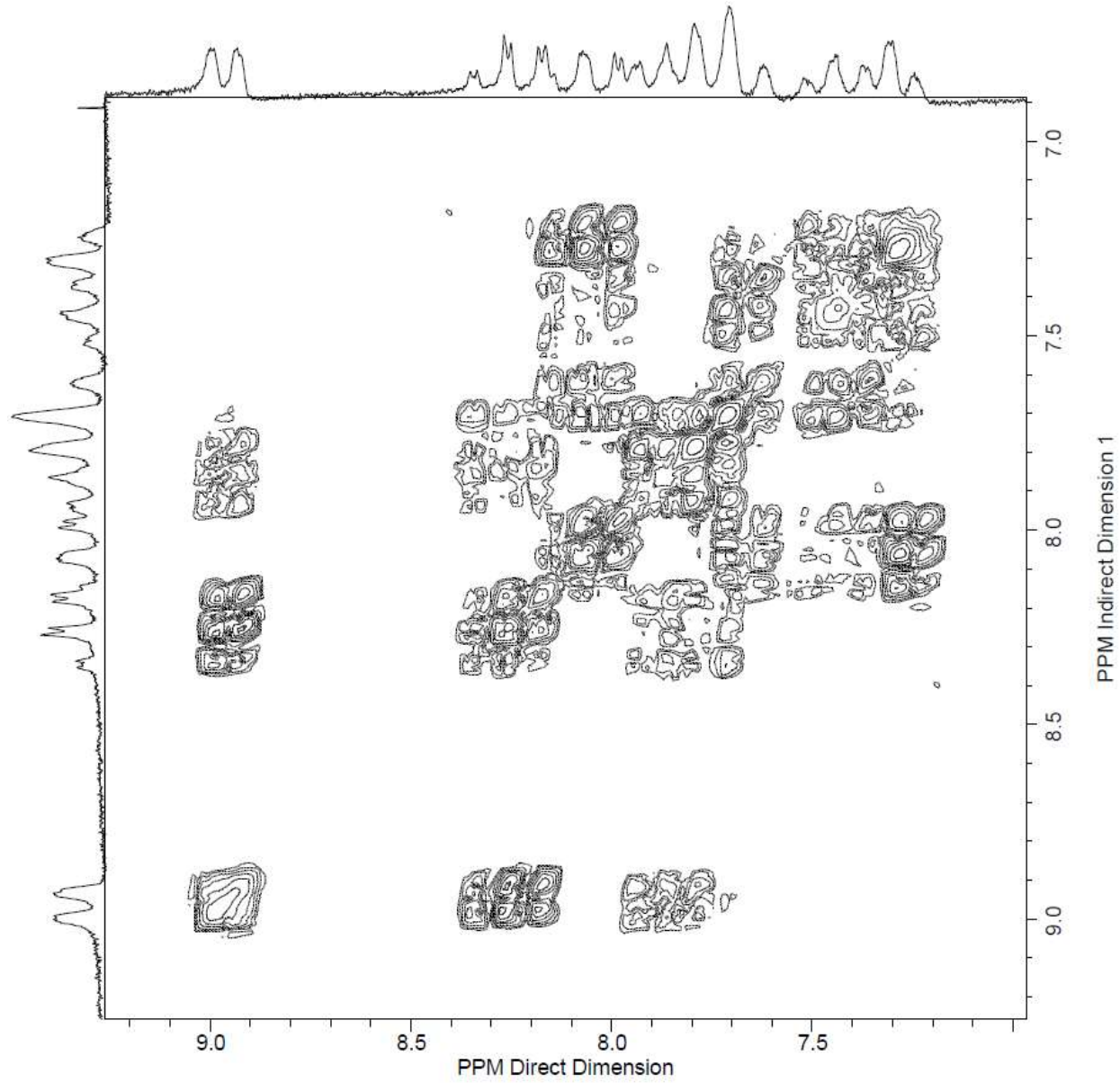


# Proton NMR



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# COSY Spectrum



# COSY Analysis

COSY, or correlated spectroscopy is used to establish connectivities between sets of protons.

The doublet at approximately 8.7 ppm is likely due to  $C_1$  or  $C_1'$ . It is not possible to discern between the  $C_1$  or  $C_1'$  without further experimentation.

The signal for the doublet was coupled to signals corresponding to 8.2ppm and 7.85ppm.

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