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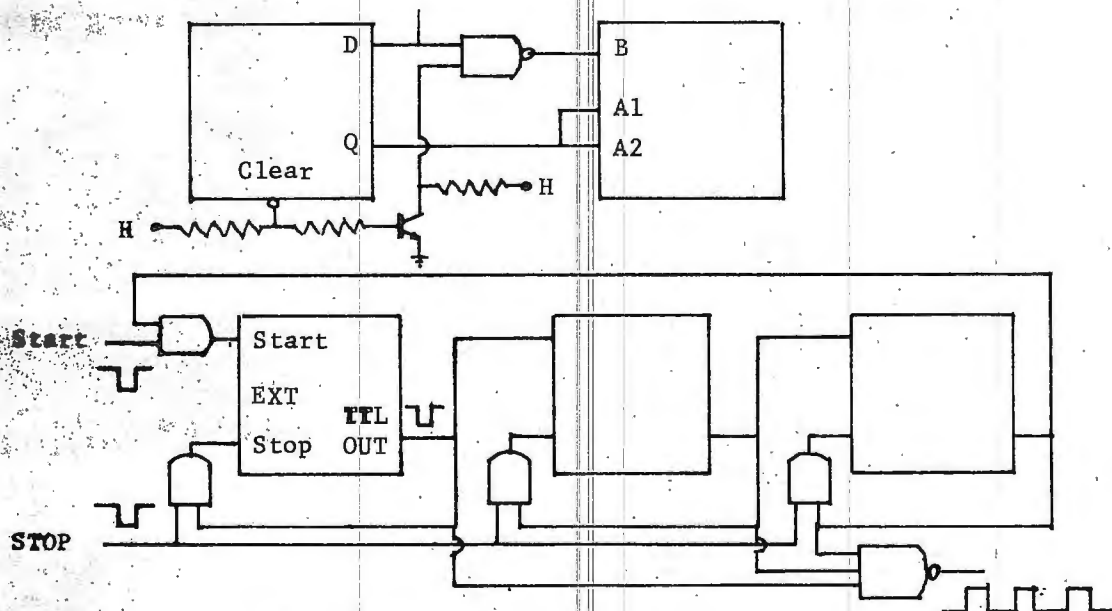
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Dear Professor Shapiro,

# A simple NMR pulse programmer

Pulse programmers seem to become more complicated so this unit, containing only five integrated circuits was designed to produce single pulses from  $0.6\mu\text{s}$  to  $106\mu\text{s}$  spaced by  $0.01\text{s}$  to  $10\text{s}$ . Up to  $10.6\mu\text{s}$  the pulse length increment is  $0.01\mu\text{s}$  while in the higher range it is  $0.1\mu\text{s}$ . Likewise the delay increments are  $0.015$ . To do this two sets of decade switches are used. The leading edge of each pulse can be synchronised to an external clock so that successive bursts are phase coherent. Originally the circuit was designed for attachment to a Nicolet computer using PULSE 1 and PULSE 2 to start and stop pulsing, but obviously it could be used on any other suitable system. Apart from gating the transmitter the TTL output is used to trigger the signal averager. Additionally  $15\text{V}$  pulses of either polarity are provided.

Though it has not been tried there is the possibility of cascading these units to give multipulse sequences. To do this it is first necessary to start with an interpulse delay rather than a pulse.



Yours faithfully,

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Buenos Aires, December 12th. 1975.

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Title: Help! It's magnetic!

Dear Dr. Shapiro:

I am glad to announce that next year, or perhaps even this year, we shall be the happy owners of a minicomputer of 12 K memory, wired for F.T.S.; the Nicolet NMR 812.

We have been fighting hard to avoid obsolescence with our venerable DP-60 instrument: We built our own internal lock system; a frequency seep; a solid state superstabilizer (which, incidentally, works wonderfully!); a solid state fast sweep, a <sup>1</sup>H decoupler and now we took F.T.S. as our next goal. Since this means an expense of about 80 K\$ and we got only half that amount, we just had to build something ourselves. We decided on the probe head. We tried already to build our own "inserts" and we found that resolution was the main problem. Quite often we got nice "ghost" spectra, just like in classical grating spectroscopy: Every line of the main spectrum was accompanied by a small replica, a hertz or two on a side.

After some trials we obtained good inserts, but please: don't ask me how!

It seems that strained cooper is paramagnetic (!?).

In building our own probe heads, the first problem was resolution. We found that almost anything we used destroys homogeneity, i.e.: We build a new air turbine, in brass. It was a disaster. We build another one in aluminium: it worked fairly well. We built an aluminium probe head box: another disaster: Curvature was permanently "dished".

It seems that (our local) aluminium is slightly magnetic. Even teflon is magnetic! (Until you rinse it in hydrochloric acid, to get rid of the fine metal film(steel) with which it is covered after machining).

If anybody has had experience in building (successfully) probe heads, we would enormously appreciate his advice!

Yours sincerely,

  
 V.J. Kowalewski.



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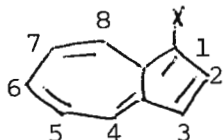
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Dear Barry:

$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR Spectra of 1-Substituted Azulenes

For some time now I have been interested in developing a simple method for describing substituent-induced  $^{13}\text{C}$  chemical shifts in  $\pi$ -systems, and a full paper outlining the approach will appear in JACS around March. I also wanted to extend the model to nonalternant  $\pi$ -systems, but there are no data in the literature, other than for parent hydrocarbons. Accordingly, Dr. Tadeusz Holak (currently at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland) began an experimental study of  $^{13}\text{C}$  spectra in 1-substituted azulenes.



X = H, Cl, NO<sub>2</sub>, COCF<sub>3</sub>

Briefly, we find

- carbons in the five- and seven-membered rings can easily be distinguished by their one-bond CH couplings ( $\sim 170$  Hz and  $\sim 160$ - $165$  Hz, respectively);
- in the seven-membered ring, only three-bond couplings can be resolved, whereas two-bond CH couplings are easily seen in the five-membered ring;
- C-2 and C-3 are relatively insensitive to the nature of X, whereas C-5 and C-7 are most sensitive. Thus the perturbation is being transmitted through the five-membered ring into the seven-membered ring.

We are digesting these results (actually, ruminating might be a better term) while proceeding further on both the experimental and theoretical fronts.

Finally, I'd like to acknowledge the hospitality of Dr. Al Redfield (Brandeis University) in whose instrument most of this work was done. George Levy (Florida State University) also permitted Dr. Holak to use his instrument for several experiments.

Sincerely,

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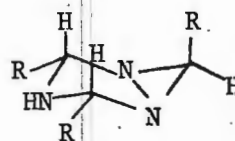
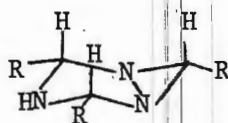
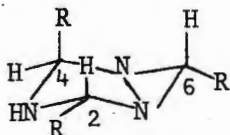
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Title: Stereochemistry of Bicylotriazines

Dear Barry,

The work of A. T. Nielsen and R. L. Atkins here on bicyclic triazines (1,3,5-trialkyl-2,4,6-triazabicyclo[3.1.0]hexanes), which form when chloramine is added to aldehydes, has led to some interesting  $^{13}\text{C}$  nmr work. (1,2) Three isomeric products are formed from acetaldehyde ( $\text{R} = \text{CH}_3$ ) in the amounts shown below with their observed  $^{13}\text{C}$  shifts (rel. to TMS).



	<u>trans, exo (60%)</u>		<u>cis, exo (30%)</u>		<u>cis, endo (10%)</u>
C-2, ppm	75.31	(-0.38)	74.93	(+ 0.79)	75.72
C-4	72.41	(+2.52)	74.93	(+ 0.79)	75.72
C-6	46.18	(-5.21)	40.97	(+12.24)	53.21
2-CH <sub>3</sub>	15.15	(+0.12)	15.27	(+ 9.61)	24.88
4-CH <sub>3</sub>	21.35	(-6.08)	15.27	(+ 9.61)	24.88
6-CH <sub>3</sub>	16.99	(+0.11)	17.10	(+ 5.94)	23.04

The differences in  $^{13}\text{C}$  shifts between isomers (in parentheses) are generally as would be expected for the two exo-forms where the more sterically hindered carbons move up-field. In the case of the endo-form, the large down-field shifts of C-6 and all three methyls suggests a major change in ring geometry, possibly an increase in dihedral angle between the 3-ring and the 5-ring.

Sincerely,

D. W. MOORE

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Dear Barry:

For quite a few years it has been felt by Israeli "resonators" that they see each other at international conferences more often than at home. Therefore Ze'ev Luz took the initiative of organizing what is tentatively called The Israeli Club of Magnetic Resonance. It was inaugurated on January 8, 1976, with a formal meeting held at this Institute. The scientific program included presentations (in Hebrew!) by Hadassa Degani (Univ. of Tel Aviv), who presented her work (done at SUNY, Stony Brook) on the Kinetics of Ion-Ionophore Complexation by Proton NMR; by the undersigned, who talked on Aqueous Shift Reagents; by Chaim Levanon (Hebrew Univ., Jerusalem), who described ESR Detection of Paramagnetic Species During Photoexcitation; and by Daniel Kost (Ben Gurion Univ., Beer Sheva), who discussed Energy Barriers of Rotation Around S-N and N-CO Bonds in N-Sulphenyl Uretanes. The meeting was met with great interest and was attended by more than fifty "resonators" from all the academic and research institutions in Israel.

The next meeting is scheduled to take place in Jerusalem on May 20, 1976, and will be organized by Chaim Levanon. Any of the Newsletter readers who happen to be in Israel at that time are invited to attend. I trust that in their honor the talks will be in English.

Sincerely yours,

*Jacques*  
Jacques Reuben

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January 5, 1976

Professor Bernard L. Shapiro  
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Dear Barry,

Since last summer, when Daniel Canet from Nancy spent a few months with us, we have been exploring how simple non-selective IRFT relaxation measurements on homonuclear coupled spin systems can be used in investigations of anisotropic motion in liquids. Preliminary results (1) show that a detailed analysis of the complete recovery curves allow the determination of all three components of the reorientational diffusion tensor.

The following features are characteristic of dipolar spin-lattice relaxation in strongly coupled spin systems:

- a) The rate of recovery of a given line in the spectrum cannot be associated with a relaxation rate of a particular nucleus since the spin states are not pure. Observed recovery rates are dependent on the degree of mixing of the spin states and consequently on the magnetic field strength.
- b) Since many coupled transitions are excited, simultaneously decays are strongly nonexponential and some lines may exhibit "overshoots" reminiscent of transient Overhauser effects.
- c) As first pointed out by Schäublin, et. al. (2), the monitoring pulse introduces further mixing of the spin states and the observed recovery curves depend on the flip angle of the monitoring pulse.
- d) By properly including cross- as well as auto-correlation functions in the description of the dipolar relaxation behavior and by using formulas derived by Hubbard (3), the molecular motion may be described in detail (1). Similar kinds of information may be obtained from heteronuclear coupled spin systems by combinations of selective pulses (4).
- e) The use of initial slopes for  $T_1$  determinations may not be particularly meaningful under such circumstances, since the initial slopes are functions of coupling strength and flip angle  $\alpha$  in a  $180-\tau-\alpha$ -FT experiment.



Professor Bernard L. Shapiro  
January 5, 1976

We illustrate this last point here with the following "initial slope  $T_1$  data" on the eight lines of an  $AB_2$  proton spin system. (See Figure for labelling of lines.) The sample is 0.5 M 1,2,3-trichlorobenzene in 100%  $CDCl_3$  and the spectrum shown was obtained on our JEOL-PFT-100 + Nicolet 1085 spectrometer system.

$\nu_0$ (MHz)	$J/\delta$	$\alpha$	$B_1$	$B_2$	$B_3$	$B_4$	$A_5$	$A_6$	$A_7$	$A_8$
100	0.429	$90^\circ$	51.0	50.5	39.5	38.0	29.0	21.5	19	21
220	0.195	$90^\circ$	51.0	50.5	45.0	44.0	24.0	21.0	20.0	21.5
220	0.195	$5^\circ$	49.0	64.0	45.0	53.0	20.5	20.5	20.5	19

As expected, A relaxes more or less twice as fast as B spins. Note, however, that the observed decays are "mixed" in the center of the spectrum, and that this mixing is stronger at the lower field. When a  $5^\circ$  monitoring pulse is used, the decay pattern is different yet, but strong nonexponential character (overshoots, etc.) is still present.

Complete details of the analysis of the recovery curves and the anisotropic motion of 1,2,3-trichlorobenzene and similar systems will hopefully be written up in the near future.

Very best regards,

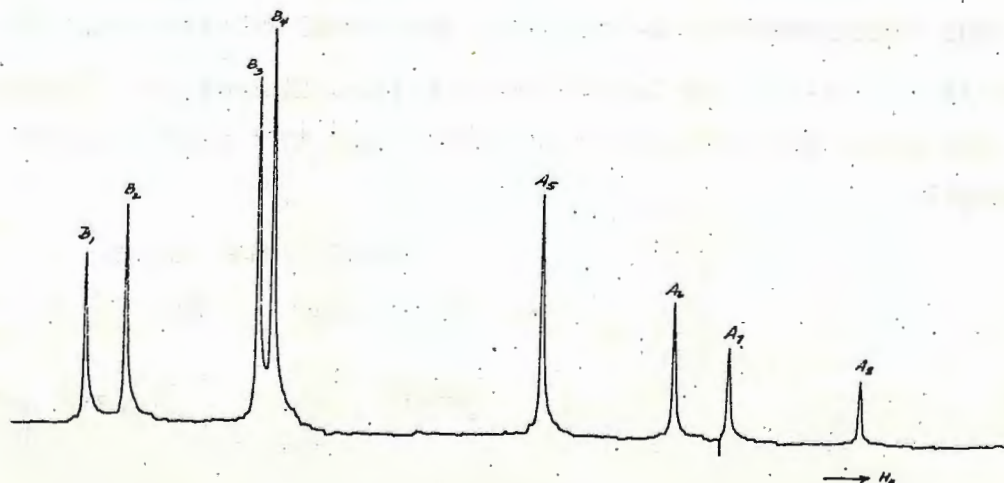
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Title: Carbon-Platinum Coupling Constants in  
Olefin Complexes.

Dear Prof. Shapiro,

We feel you and your readers will find some  $^{13}\text{C}$  measurements of platinum-olefin complexes of interest.

We have recently observed<sup>1</sup> that platinum-195-carbon-13 coupling constants in platinum-olefin complexes can occasionally be misleading. Subsequently, we have measured additional  $^{13}\text{C}$  spectra on related complexes and some of these data are shown below.

X	<u>trans</u> -[PtCl <sub>2</sub> ( <u>cis</u> -2-butene)X]		<u>trans</u> -[PtCl <sub>2</sub> ( <u>trans</u> -2-butene)X]	
	$^1\text{J}(\text{Pt},\text{C})$	$^2\text{J}(\text{Pt},\text{C})$	$^1\text{J}(\text{Pt},\text{C})$	$^2\text{J}(\text{Pt},\text{C})$
pyridine-N-oxide	206.6	18.4	206.6	36.8
pyridine	150.0	14.7	152.2	33.1
piperidine	142.8	22.0	145.9	33.0

The couplings listed refer to the metal-olefin interactions.

Based on the values  $^2\text{J}(\text{Pt},\text{C})$  one might consider the metal-olefin interaction in two types of trans-complexes quite different; however, the values  $^1\text{J}(\text{Pt},\text{C})$  suggest a different conclusion. Based on other nmr measurements we believe the metal olefin bond strength within these pairs of complex to be similar. Therefore,  $^2\text{J}(\text{Pt},\text{C})$  in such complexes may not always reflect only the olefin-metal bond strength.

Very truly yours

Dr. S. N. Sze

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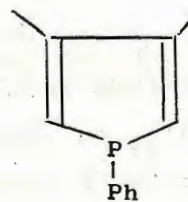
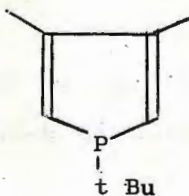
Dear Barry,

Mieux vaut tard que jamais, isn't. In a hurry, not to change, I am giving you a short account of some NMR work on stream dealing with phosphole organometallics. In addition to an interesting chemistry (see F. Mathey, J. Organometal. Chem., 93 (1975), 377-388), they present NMR peculiarities related to their conjugated system.

To take two simple ligands in the phosphole family

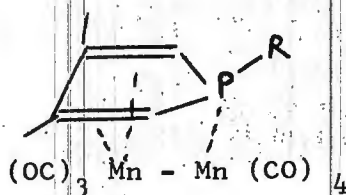
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$\delta_H$ (1)	6.18	6.36
$\delta_{P-CH}$	35.8	38.0
$\delta_{CH_3}$ (2)	2.04	1.91
$\delta^{31}_P$ (réf. $P_4O_6$ )	84.8	115.0
high-field		

Both give  $\sigma, \pi$  complexes  $LMn_2(CO)_7$  when heated with  $Mn_2(CO)_{10}$  under UV irradiation. The following NMR data point to a tridentate structure, both of the phosphorus lone-pair and the dienic system being involved



L. Mn<sub>2</sub> (CO)<sub>7</sub>

$\delta$  H (1)

J P.C H

$\delta$  CH<sub>3</sub> (2)

$\delta$  <sup>31</sup>P

tBu phosphole

2.38

29.5

2.28

59.2

Ph phosphole

2.61

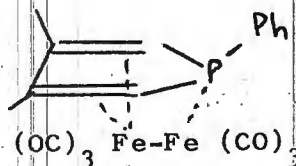
30.3

2.33

83.9

The shielding effect on complexing is especially noticeable for the H(1) (nearly 3.8 ppm in both instances), deshielding being sizeable for the rather remote CH<sub>3</sub> (2) (resp. 0.24 and 0.42 ppm)

An important deshielding occurs as well at phosphorus, resp. 25.6 and 20.8 ppm. Similar observations are made on the parent iron complex.

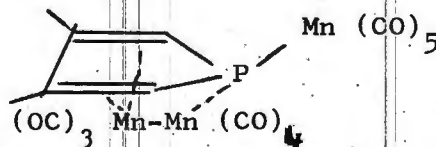


For which  $\delta$  H (1) : 2.18

JP - CH: 24.3

$\delta$  CH<sub>3</sub> (2) : 2.23

A more curious species has been isolated in the case of manganese, L' Mn<sub>3</sub> (CO)<sub>12</sub> in which a Mn (CO)<sub>5</sub> group is  $\sigma$ -bonded to phosphorus replacing the R group.



$\delta$  H (1) : 3.07

JP-CH : 31.3

$\delta$  CH<sub>3</sub> (2) : 2.48

$\delta$  <sup>31</sup>P : 38.5

Last a quite striking complex has been studied





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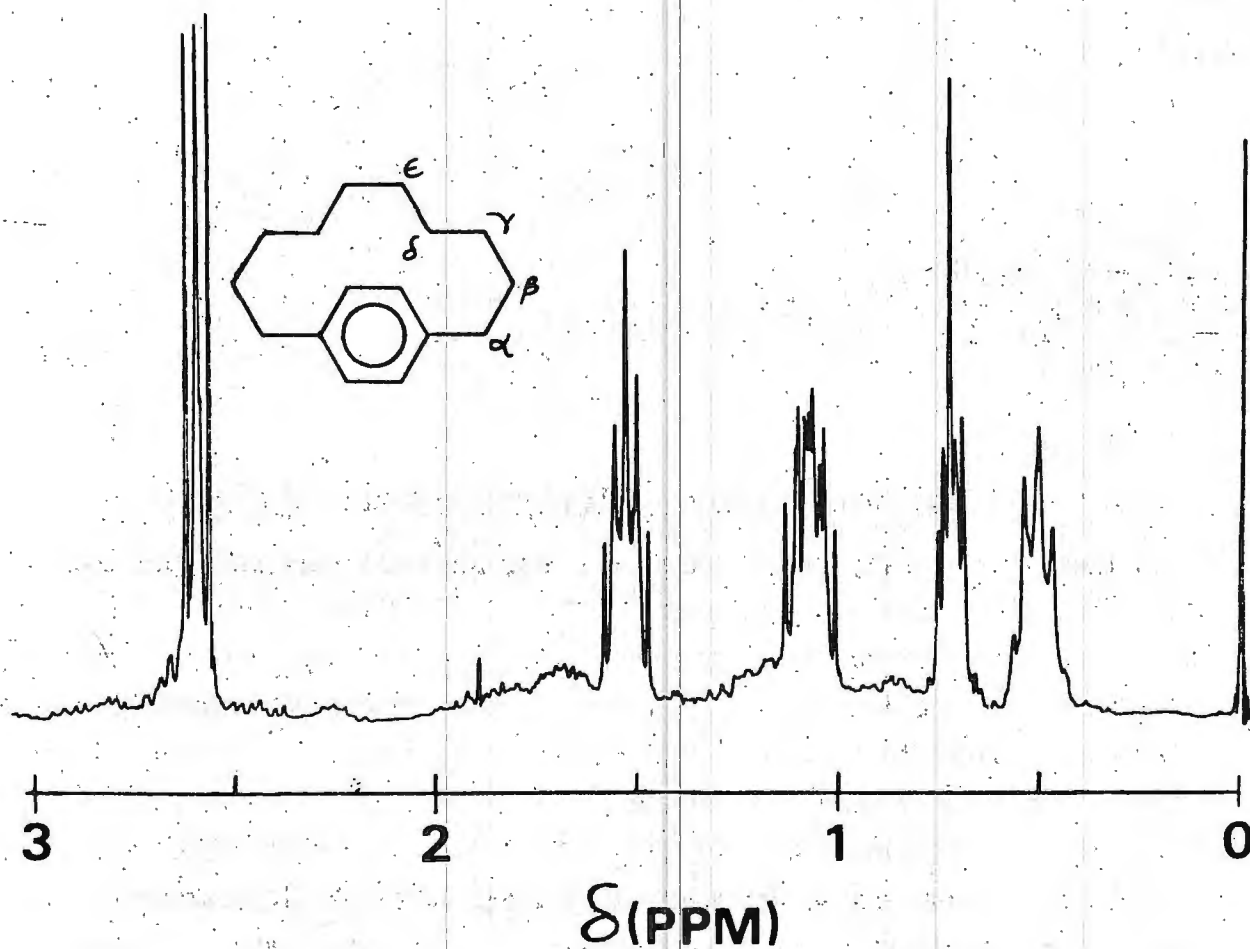
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Dear Barry:

## Evaluation of Ring Current Tables - [10]-paracyclophane at 220 MHz.

In their now classic paper, Waugh and Fessenden (1) developed the idea of a double loop of circulating  $\pi$  electrons, and presented the spectrum of [10]-paracyclophane in order to test their theory of ring currents. In particular, they predicted the chemical shifts of the methylene protons positioned above the ring and compared these values with the experimental data. Although their 40 MHz spectrum clearly demonstrated the presence of high field protons, the resolution was insufficient to enable any definitive assignments to be made. We now present the 220 MHz spectrum in which the five aliphatic proton environments are clearly resolved and assigned via homonuclear double resonance experiments and confirmed by selective proton decoupled carbon-13 NMR results; the order (to increasing field) is  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $\epsilon$  and not  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\epsilon$  as originally postulated.

These accurate proton chemical shifts and coupling constants, together with a suitably modified Karplus equation (2), allowed the calculation of the most populated conformation of the molecule; gratifyingly, it matches the conformation predicted by Allinger's molecular mechanics calculations (3). Using 1.52  $\delta$  (the position at which the  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  methylene protons of *n*-phenylbutane absorb) as the "standard methylene group" appropriate to the environment, one can use the Johnson-Bovey tables (4) to predict the chemical shifts of the bridging methylene protons in [10]-paracyclophane. These data are also compared to the predictions obtained via the quantum mechanical approach used by Haigh and Mallion (5). While both methods are qualitatively very useful, the semi-classical method shows excellent agreement for protons held over the centre of the ring but becomes less reliable as the value of  $\rho$  increases (and  $z$  decreases). The quantum mechanical approach gives good agreement in these latter regions but seriously under-estimates



	Exptl 220 MHz	Calc <sup>a</sup> J-B	Calc <sup>b</sup> H-M
Ar	7.04	—	—
$\alpha$	2.63	—	—
$\beta$	1.55	1.75	1.59
$\gamma$	1.08	1.45	1.47
$\delta$	0.70	1.15	1.38
$\epsilon$	0.51	0.56	1.19

a. Johnson-Bovey Tabulations, Ref. 4.

b. Haigh-Mallion Tabulations, Ref. 5.

the upfield shifts of the protons directly above the ring.

A fuller account of this study, including  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  spectra of [10]-paracyclophane and of its  $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_3$  analogue, will be published eventually.

Yours sincerely,

*John Fletcher* *Michael J. McGlinchey* *Brian Sayer*  
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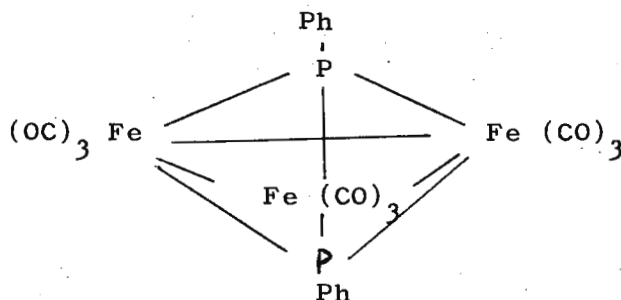
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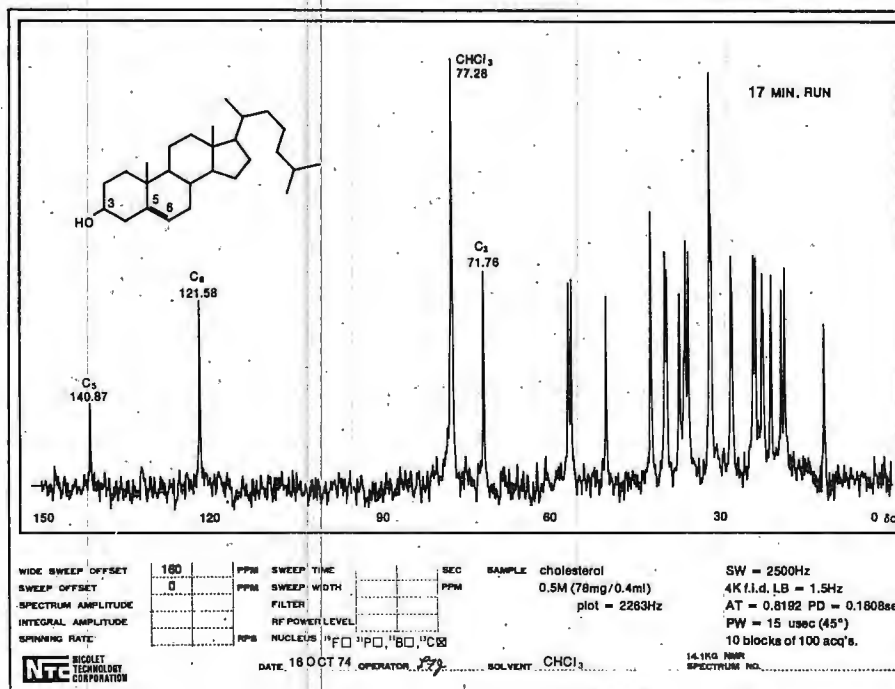
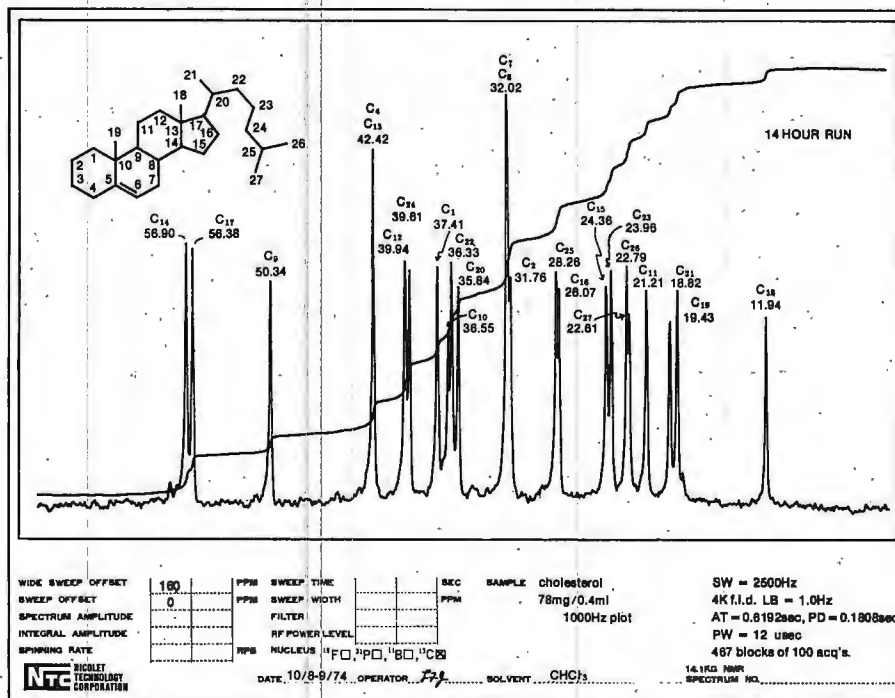
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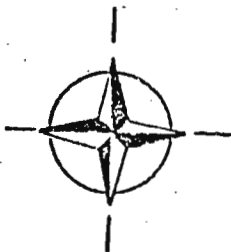
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TSP\* as a  $^{13}\text{C}$  Internal Reference

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Dear Barry:

We have recently had occasion to measure some  $^{13}\text{C}$  spectra in aqueous solution but were at a loss for an adequate internal chemical shift reference. We tried both p-dioxane and acetone but (not surprisingly) their shifts showed significant dependence upon the nature of the solution and upon the solute concentrations. We did not find any literature data for the  $^{13}\text{C}$  shifts of the commonly used proton shift references, TSP and DSS. We finally succeeded in getting both TSP and TMS into the same solution with the aid of p-dioxane as a common solvent. We find a shift of -1.62 ppm for TSP with reference to TMS and a shift of 67.37 ppm for the p-dioxane.

I am interested in what other people are doing about a  $^{13}\text{C}$  internal reference in aqueous solution. Tentatively we are using TSP with an assigned shift of -1.62 ppm.

Sincerely,

C. A. Reilly

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\* Sodium-3-trimethylsilylpropionate- $\text{d}_4$ .



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 $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR 22.63 MHz

## SAMPLE DESCRIPTION:

TSP( $d_4$ ) 170 mg  
 TMS ~ 200  $\mu\text{l}$   
 DIOXANE 2 ml  
 D<sub>2</sub>O 200  $\mu\text{l}$

Solvent: \_\_\_\_\_ Conc.: \_\_\_\_\_

Temp.: 40°C Stab.: D<sub>2</sub>O

Internal Standard: \_\_\_\_\_

 Bruker HFX-90 Spectrometer  
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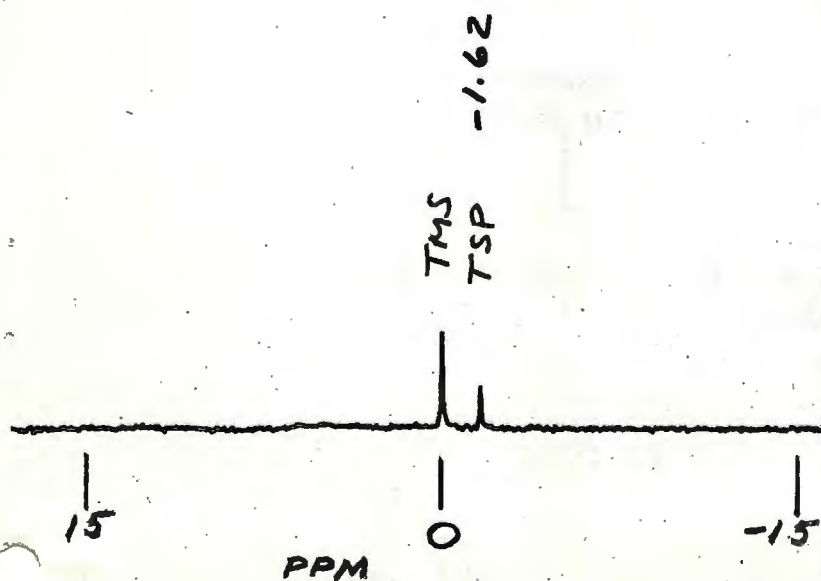
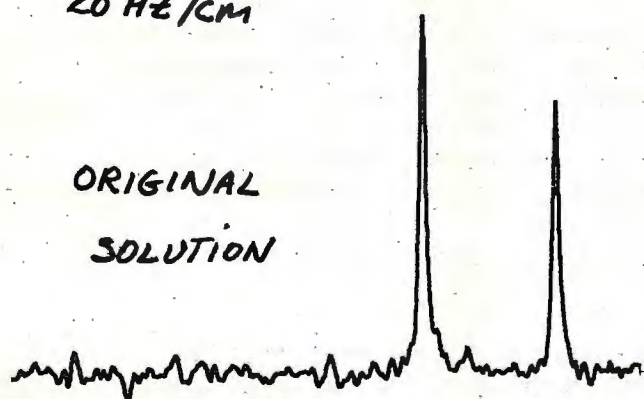
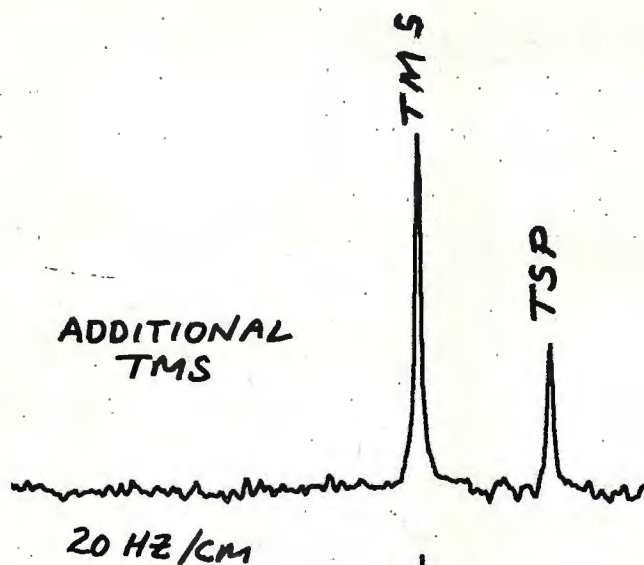
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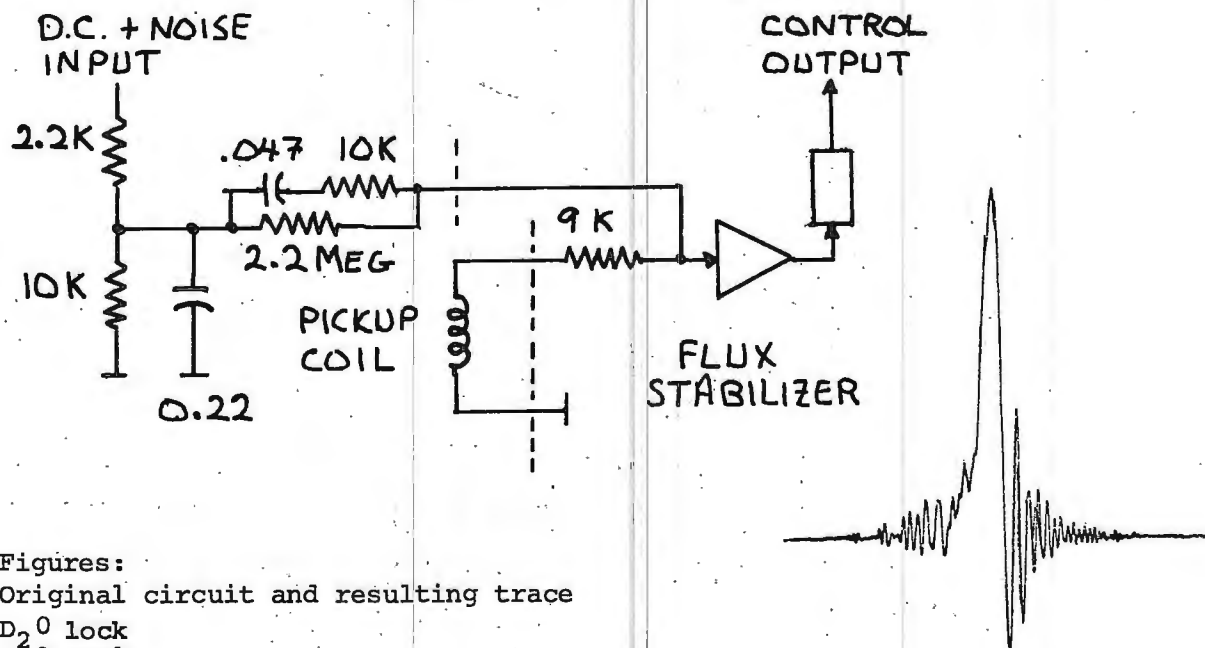
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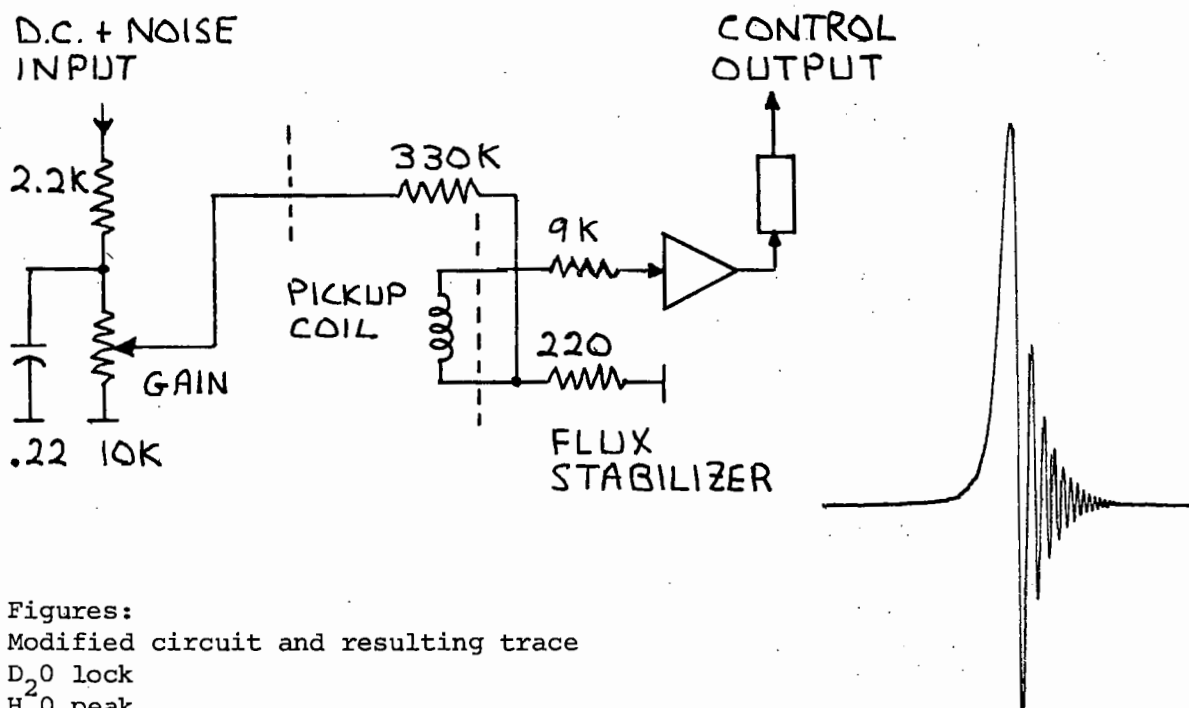
Title: Jitter in Field-Lock

Dear Professor Shapiro:

In doing CW spectra on our NV-14 with Deuterium lock we had a problem which I suspect is identical to one seen on the XL100. As one approaches a peak, noise appears on an otherwise quiet baseline and persists until the peak is passed. The cause is that noise from the lock signal detector is unnecessarily emphasized relative to the D.C. component - thanks to the way the signal is applied across the flux pickup coil (a large inductance with 650 ohms D.C. resistance). As a result the magnet field jitters and the recorder in effect registers signal from indefinite locations on the slope of the actual observe peak.

The cure is to open the ground end of the pickup coil and insert a resistor there to serve as a frequency independent load for the lock signal. 220 ohms was chosen more or less arbitrarily. The attenuation of the lock signal applied to the resistor is made variable to allow suppression of a low frequency oscillation (ca. 1 Hz) which appears when we lock on a narrow Deuterium line such as acetone- $d_6$ . When locked on a broader line such as  $D_2O$  the D.C. coupling of the lock signal can be increased to maximum. The decrease in the field jitter is dramatic, as may be seen from the traces.





Figures:  
 Modified circuit and resulting trace  
 D<sub>2</sub>O lock  
 H<sub>2</sub>O peak

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Sincerely,

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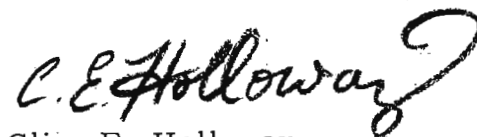
Title  $^{13}\text{C}$  Studies on Vulcanized Rubber.

Dear Dr. Shapiro,

We have been investigating the use of  $^{13}\text{C}$  nmr for determining component ratios of polymer blends. In the course of this work we have measured  $T_1$  and NOE parameters for solid raw polymer blends and the vulcanized products since these factors can affect the observed peak ratios. Since considerable work has been carried out in this area elsewhere, we present some of our results for comparison. Except on high field spectrometers the line widths of undissolved polymers are normally too broad to permit resolution of components and we have had to resort to expanding the polymers by soaking in an inert solvent (eg benzene) in order to obtain linewidths of around 15Hz (the absorbed benzene linewidth is about 5Hz). Rubber strips so treated and placed in a tube with  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  as lock yields spectra comparable to those obtained on untreated samples at 270 MHz. (We are using a CFT 20).  $T_1$  data obtained on these samples are given in the table for comparison with other data. Close to full NOE was found for the protonated carbons, and about 1.4 was the value for the tertiary carbon of the polyisobutylene component. It appears that the major obstacle in the use of peak areas to estimate component ratios lies in the reproducibility of integration methods, and we feel that none are sufficiently accurate at this stage to give results reliable enough for industry. However, a method using direct comparisons of the overall spectra of known and unknown samples might prove a useful fast guestimate for individual operations. The interpretation

of the  $T_1$  and NOE parameters themselves are attendant upon further studies. We also hope to be able to make some comparisons with data obtained at 270 MHz, courtesy of Professor Levy and the FSU Bruker 270.

Yours sincerely



Clive E. Holloway,

Dept. Chem. York University.  
on sabbatical at FSU.

$^{13}\text{C}$   $T_1$  Values for Rubber Blends, (major component only)

	*	$-\text{CH}_2-$	$-\text{C}-$	$-\text{CH}_3$
Vulcanized . 100% butyl		0.07 sec.	0.53	0.16
90% "		0.11	0.77	0.20
80% "		0.12	0.60	0.22
65% "		0.10	0.74	0.19

\* Other component EPDM . Also contains inorganic filler and C-black.

Raw polymer 100% butyl	0.15	0.91	0.26	
Crosslinked Butyl rubber	0.16	1.5	0.12	ref 1
24% soln in $\text{CCl}_4$	0.13	1.23	0.19	ref 2

ref 1 R.A.Komoroski & L Mandelkern Private Communication  
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Title :  $^1\text{H}$  -  $^{15}\text{N}$  direct couplings observed in natural abundance by  
proton NMR-FT

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Thank you for your blue reminder of december 2,  
that we received a week ago.


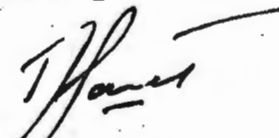
We wish to present further results obtained by  
our AISEFT (Abundant Isotope Elimination Fourier Transform)  
method (<sup>1</sup>). The figure shows, from top to bottom :

- the normal spectrum of s-triazine partially  
oriented in Merk Phase IV
- the AISEFT spectrum with  $^{13}\text{C}$  irradiation
- the AISEFT spectrum with  $^{15}\text{N}$  irradiation.

24 hour accumulations were necessary to get this later  
spectrum.

These experimental results yield all the H-H,  
 $^{13}\text{C}$ -N and  $^{15}\text{N}$ -H direct couplings. Further details and  
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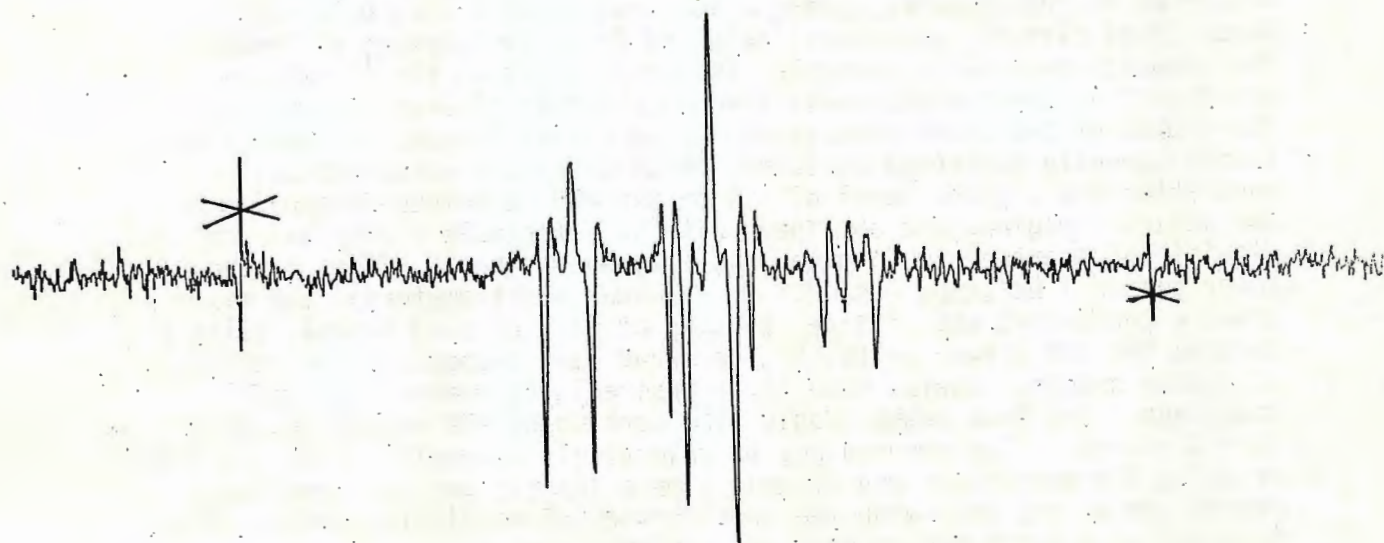
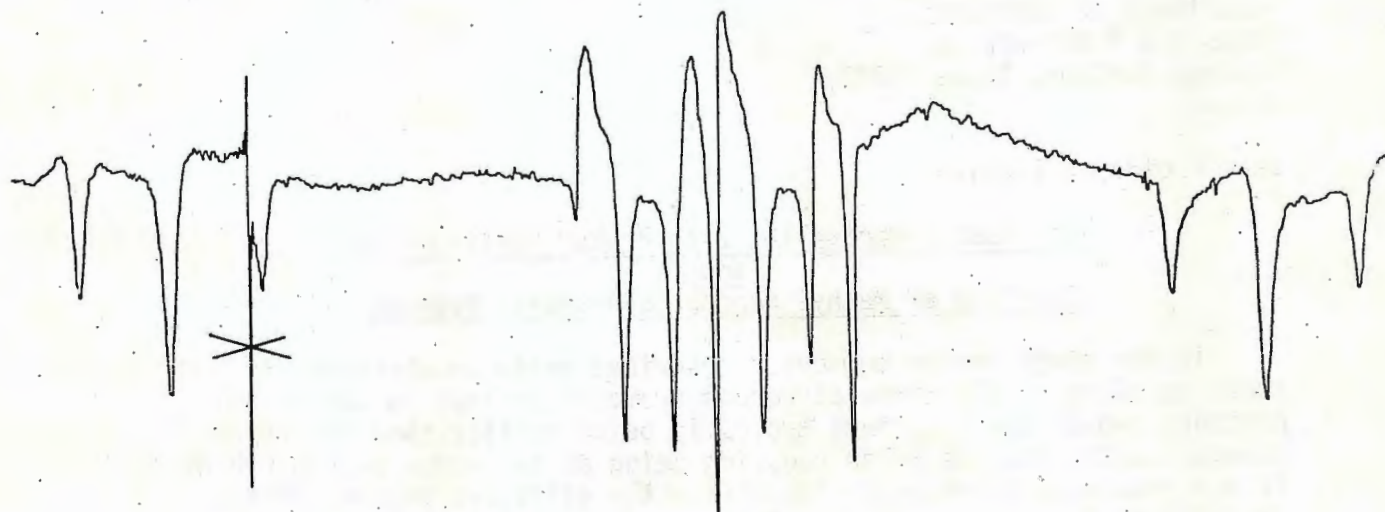
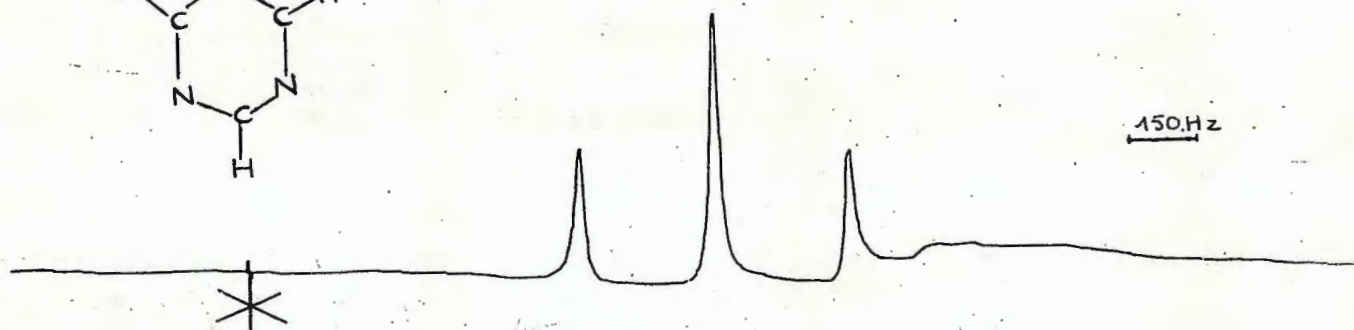
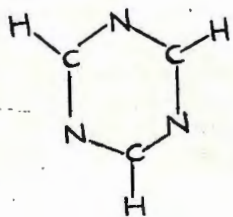
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January 9, 1976.

Professor B. C. Shapiro,  
Department of Chemistry,  
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College Station, Texas 77843,  
U.S.A.

Dear Professor Shapiro:

Re: Double Decoupling with Bruker Spectrometer  
and  
Coupling of Methyl Groups to Aromatic Protons

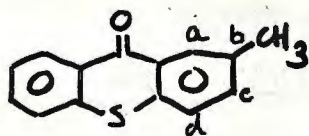
In our study of the compounds described below we observed for some, coupling of all three different aromatic protons to the methyl protons, two of the couplings typically being smaller than the third. However, with even the large coupling being on the order of 0.5-0.8 Hz it was necessary to decouple two distinctly different regions of the aromatic part of the spectrum. This was easily accomplished on our Bruker WP-60 spectrometer, using a low cost SRA-1 Double Balanced Mixer (Mini-Circuit Laboratory) obtained from Jim Courtney of Bruker. The computer controlled decoupler frequency (BU-8 on the  $^1\text{H}$  LO) was mixed with an appropriate audio frequency (HP 4204A decade oscillator), the output of the mixer then going to the Pulsed Homonuclear decoupler (cable normally connected to BU-8). With a 0.4-0.5 volts RMS audio modulation and a power level of 8.9 on the PHD complete decoupling of two separate regions are obtained, with no detectable center band or significant overtones. On older machines where the O2 offset is computer set in 1 Hz steps (vs. 0.1 Hz on newer spectrometers), the mixer gives a convenient way of finer setting of O2. We also intend, using a Wavetek 141 VCG driven by the HP, to broad band decouple whole regions of proton spectra, useful when it is desirable to remove many small couplings. The same setup should also work using the hetero-decoupler in  $^{13}\text{C}$  spectra. Two protons may be selectively decoupled in the CW mode, or using VCG modulation and CW mode a more sharply defined broad band region can be set than with the uncalibrated BB modulation width. Many possibilities exist and we have not explored them all.

Dr. B. Shapiro

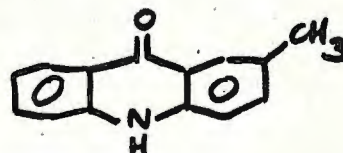
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Coupling of ortho aromatic protons to methyl groups which are meta to an electron-withdrawing group have been reported previously by Spragg (TAMUNMR 179-30). We wish to report an extension of this effect, observed with a series of heterocyclic compounds.

2-methylthioxanthone(I) and 2-methylacridone(II) show a doublet for the methyl group with couplings of 0.77 and 0.82 Hz respectively.

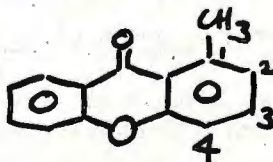


(I)



(II)

Irradiation of the  $\text{CH}_3$  produced some decoupling in the low field portion of the aromatic region, which we ascribe to the proton adjacent to the carbonyl,  $\text{H}_b$ . Irradiation of this proton collapses the doublet. Supportive evidence for the assignment of  $\text{H}_a$  is the absence of the low field multiplet in 1-methylxanthone(III).



(III)

These observations led us to expect similar behaviour in 2-methylxanthone. However, the methyl group in this compound appeared as a rather broad peak with shoulders. Irradiation of the methyl group gave decoupling in the low field and high field portions of the aromatic region of the spectrum. Irradiation of the high field proton ( $\text{H}_c$ ) produced a doublet ( $J = 0.55 \text{ Hz}$ ) in the methyl region.

Coupling of both ortho protons in 3-methylxanthone again complicated the methyl absorption. Decoupling of protons  $\text{H}_b$  and  $\text{H}_a$  separately gave an unresolved peak but when a double irradiation of protons  $\text{H}_a$  and  $\text{H}_b$  was performed (see above), a doublet was observed in the methyl region ( $J = 0.55 \text{ Hz}$ ).

As we expected, the 1-methylxanthone methyl could not be resolved by any single or double irradiation but appeared as a multiplet with couplings  $\sim 0.2 \text{ Hz}$ .

Yours sincerely,

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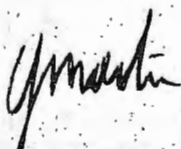
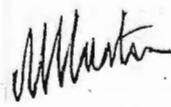
Dear BARRY,

BRUKER-VARIAN comparison for carbon spin-lattice relaxation time measurements

This paper is concerned with the dynamic behaviour of amides and iminium salts and tries to find a tentative explanation for their reactivity in electrophilic additions. With this in view, we have measured the carbon relaxation times of such compounds in various conditions. The results will soon be published but we may already present here a comparison of results obtained using two spectrometers (BRUKER WP 60 DS and VARIAN XL 100-12). In order to extend the field of comparison, we have taken into consideration two other already published sets of data concerning dimethylformamide (1)(2). Considering the difficulty of obtaining accurate relaxation time values, the data collected in the table for DMF appears quite consistent. Taking into account, however, the difference in temperature between the spectrometers (a 5 degrees decrease in temperature causes a five per cent decrease in  $T_1$  for DMF ;  $E_a \approx 3.2 \text{ kcal.mole}^{-1}$ ) and the difference in concentration and solvent, results are slightly different.

The  $T_1$  values recorded at 15.1 MHz (WP 60 DS and NV 14) are very consistent but the values obtained at 25.2 MHz seem to be too low (XL 100-12) or too high (XL 100-15). The values relative to the iminium salt obtained at 15.1 MHz (WP 60 DS) or 25.2 MHz (XL 100-12) are however, consistent and show the drastic decrease of  $T_1$  which is due to the reduced motion of the ion-pair of the salt in solution with respect to the amide.

With best regards.

  
G.J. MARTIN  
M.L. MARTIN



	Our results				G.C. LEVY et al. (1)	H. NAKANISHI (2)	
	WP 60 DS T <sub>1</sub> (A) 16.5 (>0.95)	(BRUKER) T <sub>1</sub> (B) 10.5 (>0.996)	XL 100-12 (VARIAN) T <sub>1</sub> (A) 14.4 (>0.98)	T <sub>1</sub> (B) 9.2 (0.98)	XL 100-15 (VARIAN) T <sub>1</sub> (A) 17.8 (a)	NV 14 T <sub>1</sub> (A) 17.1 (a)	(VARIAN) T <sub>1</sub> (B) 11.4 (a)
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$\begin{array}{c} \text{(A)CH}_3 \\ \text{(B)CH}_3 \end{array} \text{N}^+ \text{=C} \begin{array}{c} \text{S CH}_3 \\ \text{OSO}_2\text{F}^- \text{H} \end{array}$	T <sub>1</sub> (A) 4.5 (>0.93)	T <sub>1</sub> (B) 2.2 (>0.994)	T <sub>1</sub> (A) 4.2 (>0.96)	T <sub>1</sub> (B) 2.5 (>0.97)	/	/	
Conditions	CD Cl <sub>3</sub> - 5 M - 10 mm T = 301 K k = -0.997		CD Cl <sub>3</sub> 5 M - 5 mm T = 305 K k = -0.72		C <sub>6</sub> D <sub>6</sub> - 10 M-10 mm T = 298 K k = -0.45	CD Cl <sub>3</sub> - 10 M - 8 mm T = 304 K k = (b)	

Carbon spin-lattice relaxation times obtained by the Inversion Recovery, F.T. method. Each reported T<sub>1</sub> value is the average of three measurements. (this work). The samples were degassed.

k is the offset parameter defined from the field intensity and the sweep width (3).

Values in brackets are those of R<sup>2</sup>, the coefficient of confidence of the exponential adjustment.

(a) not indicated ; (b) data not available for computation.

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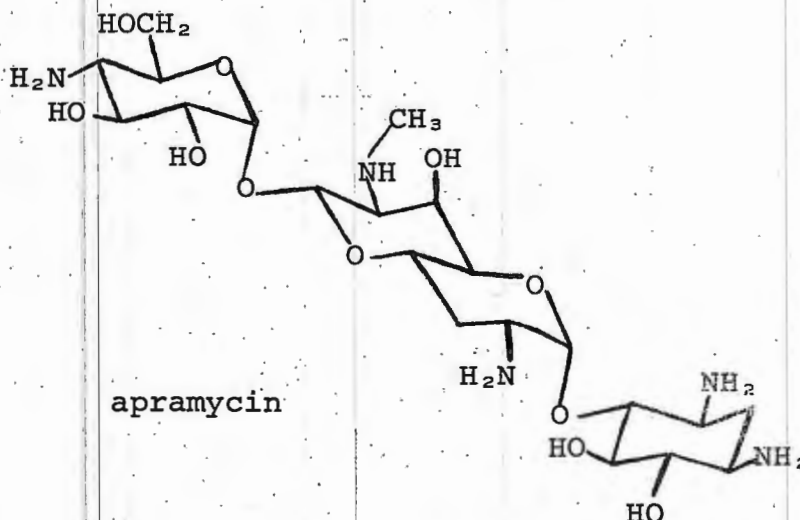
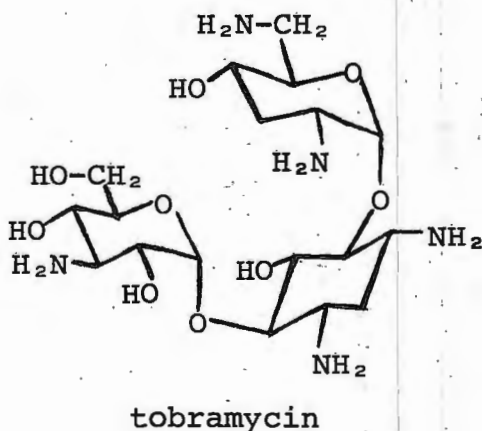
January 5, 1976

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Dear Professor Shapiro:

<sup>15</sup>N Spectra of Aminoglycosides

During recent months, we have had very good luck measuring the <sup>15</sup>N nmr spectra of some of the factors of the nebramycin complex of antibiotics. The spectra are surprisingly easy to measure. On our JEOL spectrometer, we have measured the spectra of solutions as dilute as 0.2 M, though this admittedly required overnight scanning. The spectra show well-resolved nitrogen resonances at the acidic and basic extremes of pH, while occasional peak overlaps occur at intermediate pH. We have been able to assign most of the resonances simply by comparison of the spectra of the various factors.



We have also measured the pH dependences of the nitrogens of two of the major factors, tobramycin and apramycin. The pK<sub>a</sub> values of the various amine nitrogens all seem to fall into a narrow range centered at about 7, except for the -CH<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub> group which is significantly more basic.

Professor B. L. Shapiro

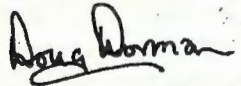
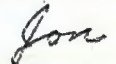
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At high pH, we find no splitting of the  $^{15}\text{N}$  resonances when the decoupler is turned off. Under conditions of proton decoupling, the resonances all have the same phase as the  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  standard and are therefore presumably "inverted." The  $T_1$  values must be rather short, as we pulse with a  $45^\circ$  pulse every 2 seconds. As yet, we have taken no precautions to preclude paramagnetic impurities. However, some recent samples, which give  $^{13}\text{C}$  spectra with relatively broad lines, give no  $^{15}\text{N}$  spectra at all. We hope to investigate the cause of this problem as time permits.

We hope to be able to submit a manuscript based on this work in January, 1976.

Sincerely,

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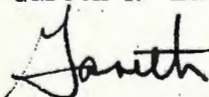
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The closest analogy we can find is to racemization of para-substituted biphenyls where the rate enhancement by electron donating substituents is attributed to resonance stabilization of the intermediate and/or facilitation of bending at the  $\text{C}_1$  carbon of the phenyl ring.

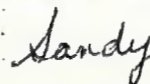
We are also in the process of looking at other metals to clarify the influence of the metal ion on the rate of rotation and sensitivity to para-substituent.

Sincerely,

Gareth R. Eaton



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January 19, 1976

Effect of Para-substituent on Rate of Phenyl Ring Rotation in Ruthenium(II) and Titanium(IV) Complexes of Tetrakis(p-R-phenyl)porphyrin.

Dear Barry,

We have recently shown that rotation of phenyl rings in metal complexes of tetraphenyl porphyrins with protons in the ortho positions of the phenyl rings can be observed by dynamic nmr. Currently we are finding that the rate for the process depends on the electron-donating or withdrawing properties of the para-substituent as well as on the metal ion.

We are using DNMR3A, a faster version of DNMR3, kindly provided by Hack Bushweller and Jacques Brunelle of Worcester Polytechnic Institute to obtain rates of exchange for the 4-spin phenyl proton systems in a series of complexes of tetrakis(p-R-phenyl)porphyrin,  $M(p-R-TPP)(X)(Y)$ . We have looked at  $M=Ru$ ,  $X=CO$ ,  $Y=4-t$ -butyl-pyridine (t-Bupy),  $R=Et_2N$ , OMe, Me, iPr,  $CF_3$  and  $M=Ti$ ,  $X=O$ ,  $R=OMe$ , Me, iPr,  $CF_3$ . The difference in axial ligands on the two sides of the porphyrin plane results in nonequivalence of the ortho protons and of the meta protons. The slow exchange chemical shift differences for the ortho protons are ca. 20 Hz and 30 Hz for  $M=Ru$  and  $M=Ti$ , respectively.

The rates of phenyl ring rotation for  $M=Ti$  are about 20 times faster than for  $M=Ru$  and are considerably more sensitive to the electronic effects of the para-substituent. On going from  $R=CF_3$  to OMe the rate of ring rotation increases by about 50 % for  $M=Ru$ , but about a factor of 4 increase occurs for  $M=Ti$ . We attempted to use Hammett  $\sigma$  values to correlate the rates with the electronic effects of the substituents. A plot of  $\log(\text{rate constant})$  vs. Hammett  $\sigma_p$  values for the Ruthenium complexes has a slope ( $\rho$ ) of  $\sim -.25$  (ignoring  $R=Et_2N$ ) but the point for  $R=Et_2N$  is way off the line. An analogous plot for the Titanyl complexes gives a slope of  $\sim -.70$ , but we do not yet have the point for  $R=Et_2N$ . The use  $\sigma^+$  or  $\sigma^-$  values does not give an improved correlation. However, for  $M=Ru$ , we get a good correlation between the rate of phenyl ring rotation and either  $\lambda_{max}$  or intensity ratios in the electronic spectra. Further investigation of other para-substituents and possible correlations are in process. Comments regarding correlations that have fit other systems would be welcome.

Typical thermodynamic parameters obtained from the total lineshape analysis as a function of temperature are given below. Uncertainties are  $\pm 3SD$ .

Complex	$\Delta G_{298}^\ddagger$ (kcal/mole)	$\Delta H^\ddagger$ (kcal/mole)	$\Delta S^\ddagger$ (e.u.)
$Ru(CO)(p-CF_3-TPP)(t-Bupy)$	$18.4 \pm 1.3$	$16.5 \pm 1.0$	$-6.6 \pm 2.8$
$Ru(CO)(p-OMe-TPP)(t-Bupy)$	$18.3 \pm 1.4$	$16.5 \pm 1.1$	$-6.1 \pm 3.0$
$Ru(CO)(p-Et_2N-TPP)(t-Bupy)$	$17.3 \pm 0.9$	$15.8 \pm 0.7$	$-5.2 \pm 1.8$
$TiO(p-CF_3-TPP)$	$16.2 \pm 1.4$	$13.6 \pm 0.8$	$-8.7 \pm 2.6$
$TiO(p-OMe-TPP)$	$15.5 \pm 0.8$	$12.0 \pm 0.6$	$-11.7 \pm 1.7$

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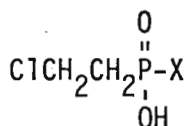
January 26, 1976

Professor B. L. Shapiro  
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Dear Barry:

## Carbon-Phosphorus Coupling Constants in Phosphonic Acids

Recently we have studied the  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of various phosphonic acids with the following general structure:



The one bond phosphorus-carbon coupling constants are in the range of 131.5-139.1 Hz, which are close to the values observed by Gray on phosphonates (G.A. Gray, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 93, 2132 (1972)). However, it is interesting that the coupling between phosphorus and the carbon adjacent to chlorine was not observed. Table 1 presents the coupling parameters of three phosphonic acids in DMSO- $d_6$  solution.

Table 1. Carbon-Phosphorus Couplings

<u>X</u>	<u>J<sub>cp</sub></u>	<u>J<sub>ccp</sub></u>	<u>J<sub>cop</sub></u>	<u>J<sub>ccop</sub></u>	<u>J<sub>cpop</sub></u>
OH	131.5	~ 0			
$\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}$	133.6	~ 0	5.3	7.1	
$\text{O}-\overset{\text{O}}{\underset{\text{OH}}{\underset{ }{\text{P}}}}-\text{CH}_2\text{HC}_2\text{Cl}$	139.1	~ 0			4.3

Sincerely yours,

C. K. Tseng

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## NMR SPECTROSCOPY POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS AVAILABLE

Dr. Leo Mandelkern and I have several postdoctoral fellowships available with starting dates as early as January or as late as September, 1976. These positions are based on 68 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$  and 270 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  nmr studies of synthetic and biopolymer systems; also  $^{13}\text{C}$ ,  $^{15}\text{N}$  and other nuclei  $T_1$  studies of small molecules. The table below summarizes our planned research effort.

<u>Project</u>	<u>Earliest Starting Date</u>	<u>Required Specialty</u>	<u>Research Advisor(s)</u>
(a) peptide structure and conformation	1/76	physical, organic or biochemistry	LM or joint (LM and GCL)
(b) synthetic polymer structure in the bulk phase	3/76	physical or organic	joint
(c) multi-nuclei NMR ( $^{15}\text{N}$ , metals) on small molecules	7/76	physical	GCL
(d) building and exploiting a new ultra-high-sensitivity $^{13}\text{C}$ and $^{15}\text{N}$ spectrometer (half time can also be spent on project (c) or other research)	6/76	physical (or organic with electronics experience)	GCL and RR (Richard Rosanske)

Leo Mandelkern and I are particularly anxious to fill positions a, b, and d. All interested persons should write directly to me (or to Dr. Mandelkern) indicating their interest. They should include a curriculum vitae and arrange for two letters of recommendation to be sent directly to us.

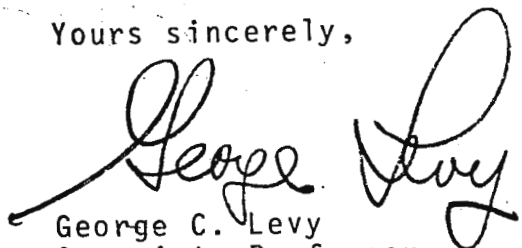
The salaries for positions (a) - (c) range from \$8000. - \$9,500 depending on experience; for position (d) the maximum salary can be significantly higher for especially qualified candidates. Tallahassee is an inviting community of 100,000 with a significantly lower cost of living than typical for larger cities.

Our laboratory currently includes a Bruker HX-270 equipped for  $^{13}\text{C}$ ,  $^{15}\text{N}$ , and 270 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  nmr and a Bruker HFX-90 set up for most magnetic nuclei. Both instruments have dedicated disc-augmented computers and have been modified for improved quadrature detection. In house construction of 13mm (and soon hopefully 15mm) sample capability gives added  $^{13}\text{C}$  and  $^{15}\text{N}$  sensitivity.

Please bring these positions to the attention of anyone who has potential interest.

With appreciation from Leo Mandelkern and from me.

Yours sincerely,



George C. Levy  
Associate Professor

#### Opening for a Postdoctoral Fellow at the ETH in Zürich

We will have an opening in fall 1976 for a postdoctoral fellow with a strong interest in the development and application of new techniques in NMR. A good theoretical background and experimental skill are required at the same time. Possible areas of research are: High resolution solid state resonance, two-dimensional spectroscopy, zeugmatography, optical polarization, relaxation in coupled spin systems.

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Dear Barry,

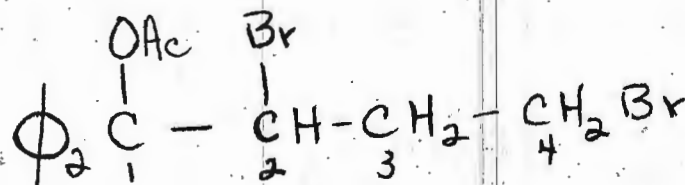
First, our FX-60 has arrived and is up and running. In fact, we were obtaining spectra 24 hours after the service man arrived for the installation. We have been in operation for almost a month and we have had no serious problems. All in all I think we will be very happy with the system.

Second, in response to your blue reminder, let me tell you a story whose ending has yet to be written. In connection with some other work, we became interested in the bromination (in acetic acid) of diphenylcyclopropyl carbinol. The reaction was simple enough to run and the product was a nice crystalline solid and it was easily purified.

A 100 MHz proton spectrum showed, in addition to a signal for the acetate methyl ( $\delta=2.04$ ) and the aromatic protons, four additional multiplets at  $\delta=6.26$  (1H), 3.59 (2H), 2.58 (1H) and 1.71 (1H). The one proton signal at  $\delta=6.27$  bothered us quite a bit since it is difficult to write a structure for this product which would have a proton this far downfield without including a double bond.

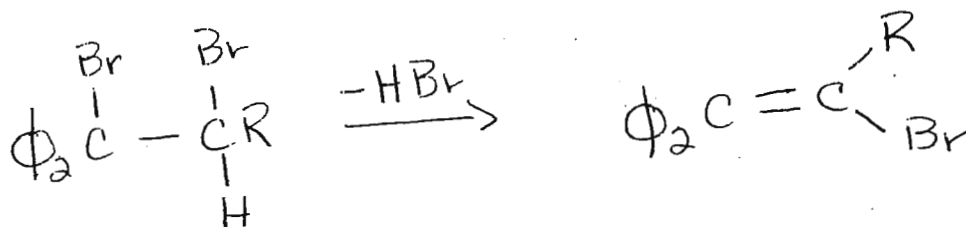
We obtained a  $^{13}\text{C}$  spectrum and this seemed to raise further questions. The chemical shifts (relative to TMS, of course) and multiplicities (from off-resonance decoupling) were;  $\delta=169.0$  (s) 139.6 (s), 129.1 (d), 128.1 (d), 127.5 (d), 127.0 (d), 86.3 (s) 56.6 (d) 37.7 (t), 31.2 (t) and 22.1 (q).

From these spectra we have tentatively assigned the following structure to the product;





the  $^{13}\text{C}$  chemical shift of C-1, we feel is consistent with the proposed structure rather than the, perhaps, more reasonable structure where the acetate at C-1 and bromine at C-4 are interchanged. In addition, the following reaction is known to occur readily.



It therefore seems that the proposed structure is the more reasonable one. It is not easy, however, to write a mechanism for the reaction and we are, at present, working toward this end. We hope to have all of the details completed and a manuscript prepared in a short while.

In the meantime, we have given some crystals of the product to Bill Watson and we hope that he will soon have the structure for us. If our proposed structure is correct, the chemical shift of the proton at C-2 of  $\delta=6.27$  must be some sort of a record.

Our best regards to everyone.

*Bill*  
W. B. Smith

*Tom*  
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Dear Barry:

Dr. Hans-Martin Vieth from the Max-Planck Institute of Heidelberg has been visiting my laboratory and has been helping to build a steady-state double resonance spectrometer. One of the difficult parts of this experiment is to create sufficiently strong, yet homogeneous, rf fields. Hans-Martin has succeeded in putting together a coil system which is capable of producing 20 gauss  $H_1$  at 25 MHz. The coil is saddle shaped, 1.5" in diameter by 3" long, and specifically designed to meet the Helmholtz condition over a large volume--it is a single-turn gold-plated copper ribbon. In order to dissipate the power required to generate the field, the coil is cooled by a liquid nitrogen flow. At 77K, 600 watts are required to produce the field, and the duty cycle is 33%, so the system runs at 200 watts average power, with minimal effect on the ambient temperature of the probe. The coil has a Q of ~200, so several kilovolts appear across the coil and series capacitor, which is home-made from copper and teflon. The parallel capacitors, which have more capacitance, must handle several hundred volts, and we use commercial capacitors (Vitramon porcelain capacitors) for this.

After this exercise, we would be very interested to know if anyone has had systematic success in shimming an rf coil.

Best regards,



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**New XL-100A Feature:**

# Single-Sideband Filter Cuts Data Acquisition Time in Half

Each time we introduced a new performance refinement for the XL-100A NMR Spectrometer, it's been a technological milestone in its own right. But when we added the latest — a single-sideband filter which eliminates negative frequency noise — something else happened. It combined with the unshakeable magnet stability and sophisticated interlocking electronics of the XL-100A to create a quantum jump in performance: the ability to obtain outstanding spectra from microgram samples.

We ran a 5- $\mu$ g sample of gelsemine ( $C_{20}H_{22}O_2N_2$ ) with the result you see here. We think the spectral quality speaks for itself.

Microgram sample capability, of course, is good news if you are involved in metabolite studies, biosynthetic research, flavors and fragrances — any field in which samples come from GLC or TLC, or are scarce for any other reason.



The features that form the backbone of the XL-100A's micro-sample capability include:

**1-mm Microinsert**  
Ensures best possible signal from small samples by optimizing the rf coupling between the sample and the system's receiver coil.

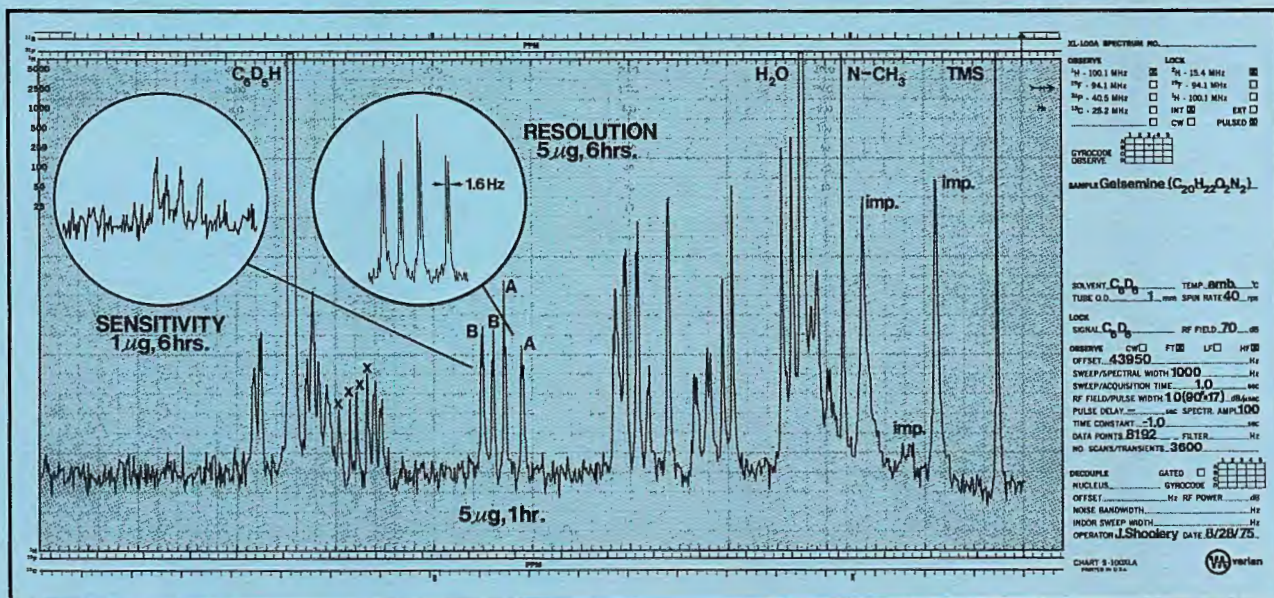
## Single-Sideband Filter

Cuts data acquisition time in half by eliminating the noise which normally folds into an FT spectrum.

## FT Disk Accessory

Permits acquisition of high-resolution FT spectra by expanding the maximum data table capacity of the system to 32K words.

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Box D-070, Palo Alto, CA 94303.



We dissolved 5  $\mu$ g of gelsemine in 5  $\mu$ l of  $C_6D_6$  and pulsed it at one-second intervals for one hour, using a tip angle of  $53^\circ$  (10  $\mu$ sec pulse) and a 2,500-Hz spectral width. Note the clear ABX pattern from the three vinyl protons and the

excellent resolution of the 1.6-Hz geminal coupling! The spectral excerpts show two six-hour runs of 5- $\mu$ g and 1- $\mu$ g samples to demonstrate how resolution or sensitivity can be further enhanced at the expense of time.



# QUADRATURE DETECTION

Is Standard On JEOL's FX100 FT NMR  
and Built-In Digital\* Phase Shifters  
Permit Precise Alignment

**Digital Quadrature Detection (DQD)** is the simultaneous detection of an FT NMR signal with phase sensitive detectors whose reference signals are in separate quadrants, digitally shifted 90° in their r.f. phases. This results in an increase in sensitivity by  $\sqrt{2}$  (~40%), which means sample running times are cut in half on a routine basis over conventional techniques.

Because digital phase control is a basic part of the FX100, Digital Quadrature Detection (resulting in this higher FT NMR performance) is now possible.

**Digital\* Phase Shifters (DPS)** make use of the very rapid rise times of an r.f. digital logic device, thus phase "jitter" is minimized, and phase accuracy and phase stability are optimized. The r.f. output frequency phase can be precisely set at 0°, 90°, 180° or 270° relative to the master oscillator. The result is a system that is virtually **free of imperfect phase angles** or phase drift.

The exclusive JEOL digital phase shifting technique, in contrast to the more commonly used analog method, essentially **eliminates "ghosting"** or false images in the final spectrum — a problem which occurs all too frequently in analog systems.

In addition, we have located the DPS in the IF stage to allow all nuclei to be observed without supplementary phase shifters for each frequency.

*Similar capabilities are available on the FX60 Spectrometer as optional accessories.*

## Performance Characteristics:

### Micro <sup>13</sup>C/<sup>1</sup>H Dual Frequency Probe

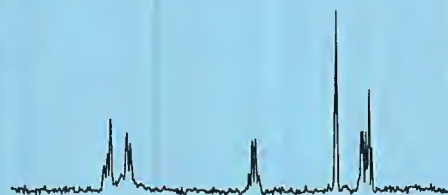
Sample: 10 μg/20 μl solution

Time: 5 minutes

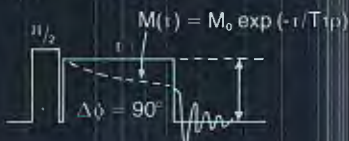
Nucleus: Proton (<sup>1</sup>H)

Sample shown is phenacetin.

### C/H DUAL FREQUENCY MICRO PROBE

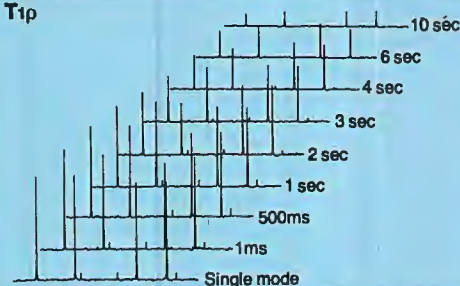


$T_{1\rho}$  is the transverse relaxation time in the rotating frame and is useful for studies of chemical dynamics in liquids.



Sample shown is chlorobutane.

### $T_{1\rho}$



### SPIN TICKLING



**Spin tickling** is a double resonance technique used in both homo and hetero nuclear experiments for the selective identification of spin-spin interactions.

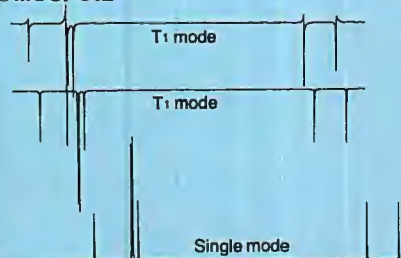
Sample shown is dibromopropionic acid.

**Homospoil** is a technique for eliminating phase and intensity errors which can occur during  $T_1$  measurements.



Sample shown is ethylbenzene (distortions are magnified to illustrate the technique).

### HOMOSPOIL



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