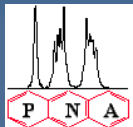# Quantitative Small Mixture Analysis (SMA):
Quality of Aloe Vera,
Acid Profiles of Sour Beers,
PDE5i Adulteration of Male Enhancement Formulations

Presented By

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March 23, 2014
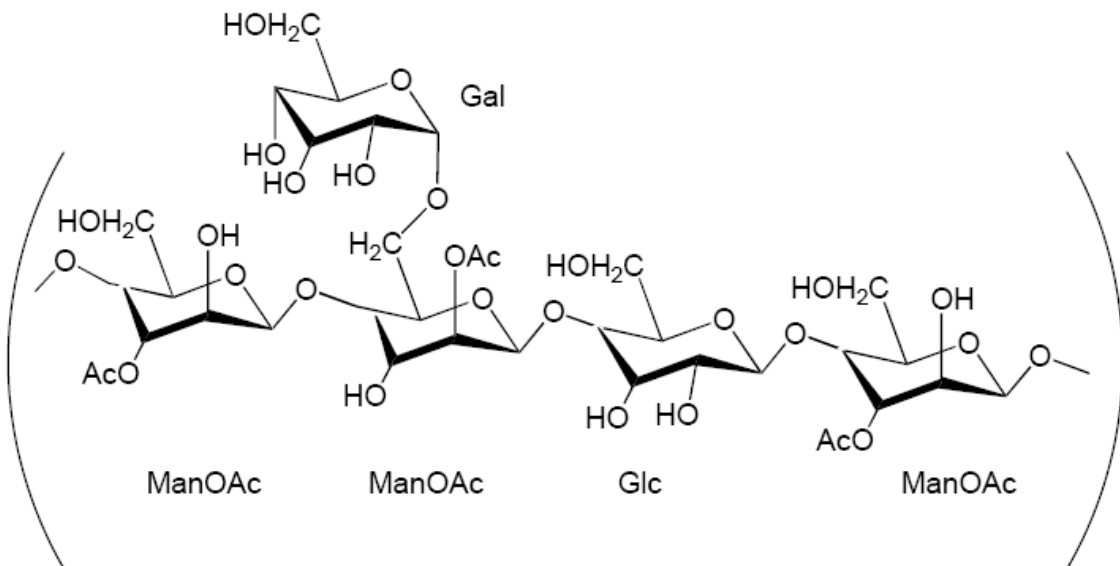**Mnova UM at 55th ENC, Boston MA**

PROCESS NMR ASSOCIATES

Solids -200

Contract NMR Analysis

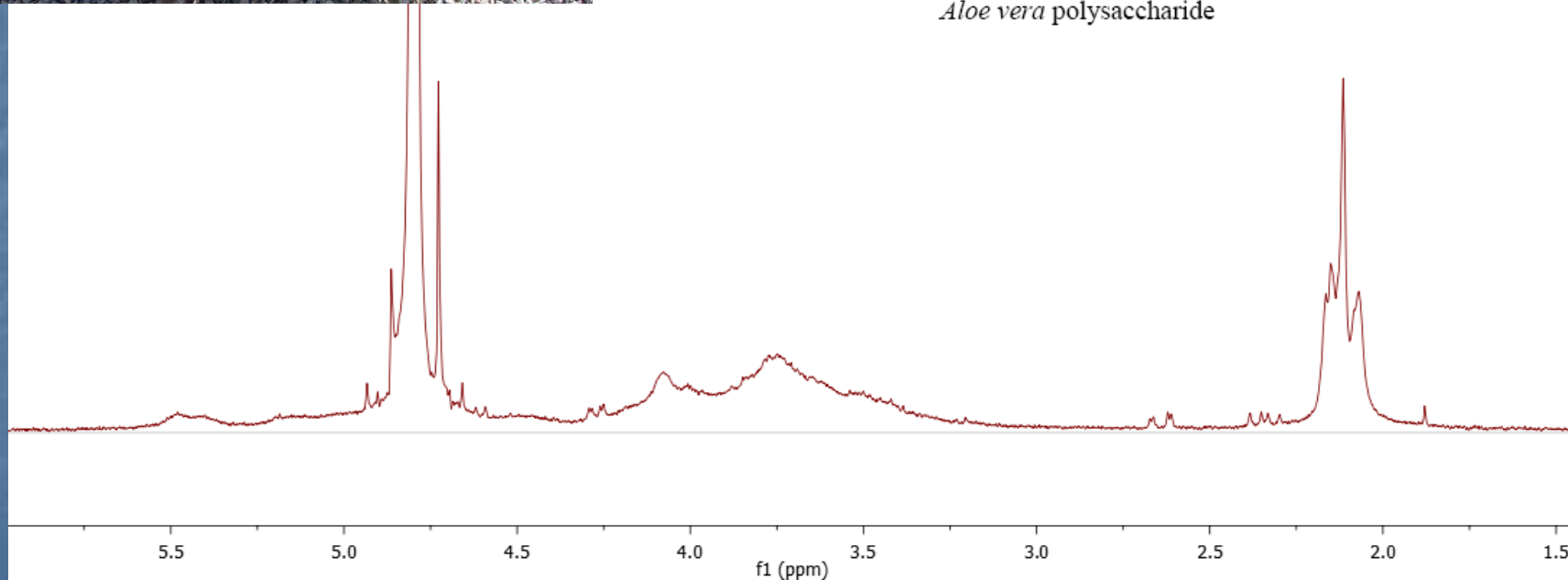**NMR Application Development**

60 MHz

Liquids-300

Aloe Vera

Acetylated Polysaccharide 90%+

Scheme 1: Proposed structure for the major component of *Aloe vera* polysaccharide

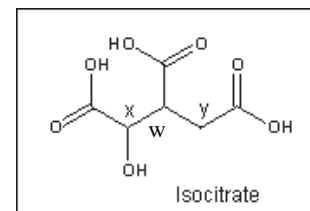# Chemical Characterization of the Immunomodulating Polysaccharide of *Aloe Vera L., W.J.Goux, et al,*
http://www.iasc.org/AloeStructure080604.pdf

DL-Isocitrate_Na_Salt
DL-Isocitrate TriSodium Salt
1H NMR in D2O
JCE-PNA-Merc300
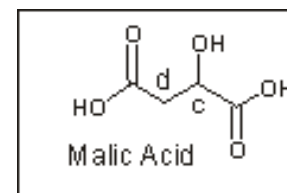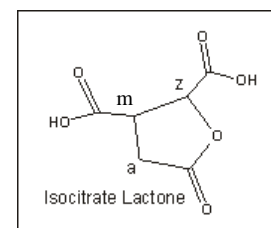
Malic-001-H
L-Malic Acid
1H NMR in D2O
JCE-PNA-MVX300

IsocitrateLactone-001-H
Isocitrate Lactone Standard (Aldrich)
1H NMR in D2O
JCE-PNA-MVX300

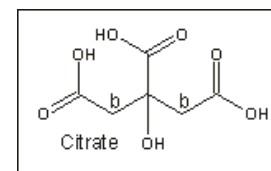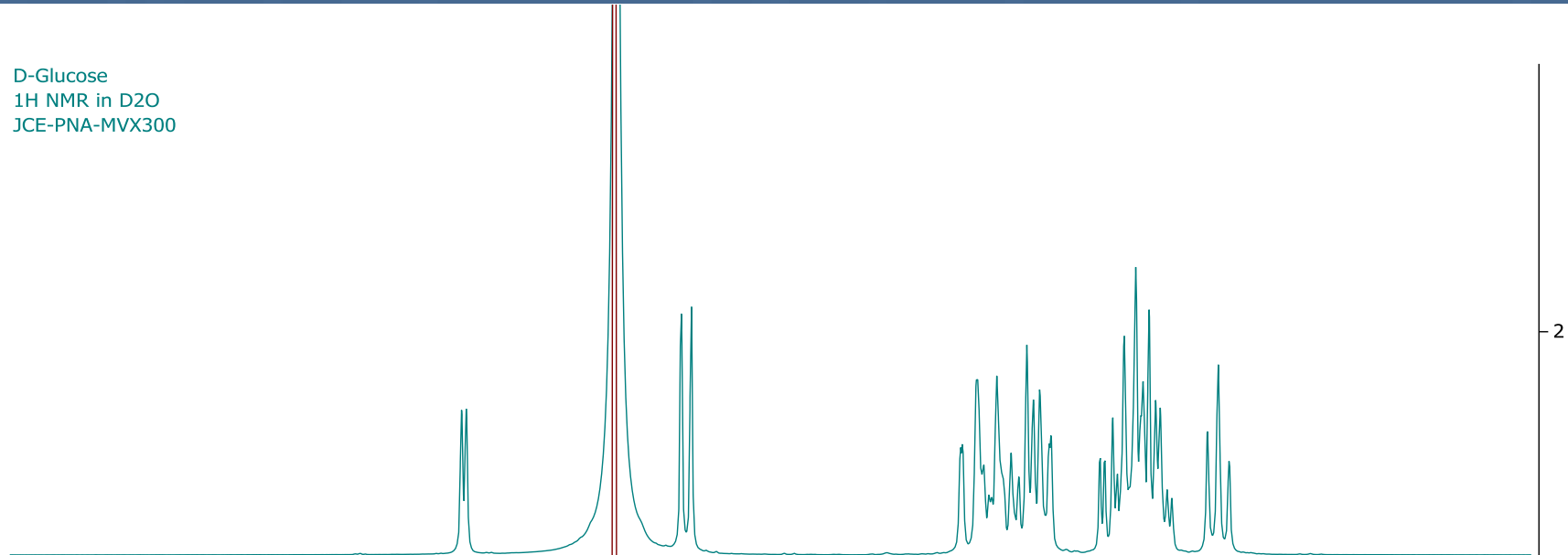Citric-001-H
Citric Acid
1H NMR in D2O
JCE-PNA-MVX300

f1 (ppm)
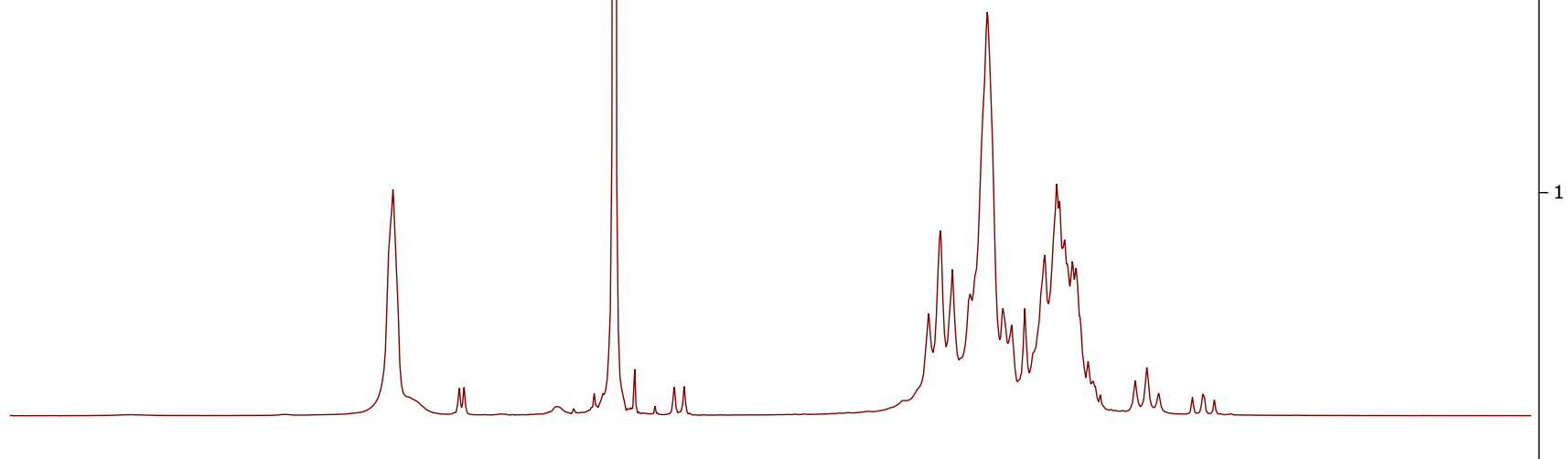
D-Glucose
1H NMR in D2O
JCE-PNA-MVX300

Maltodextrin #039218701072
1H NMR in D2O
AJD-PNA-MVX300
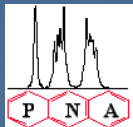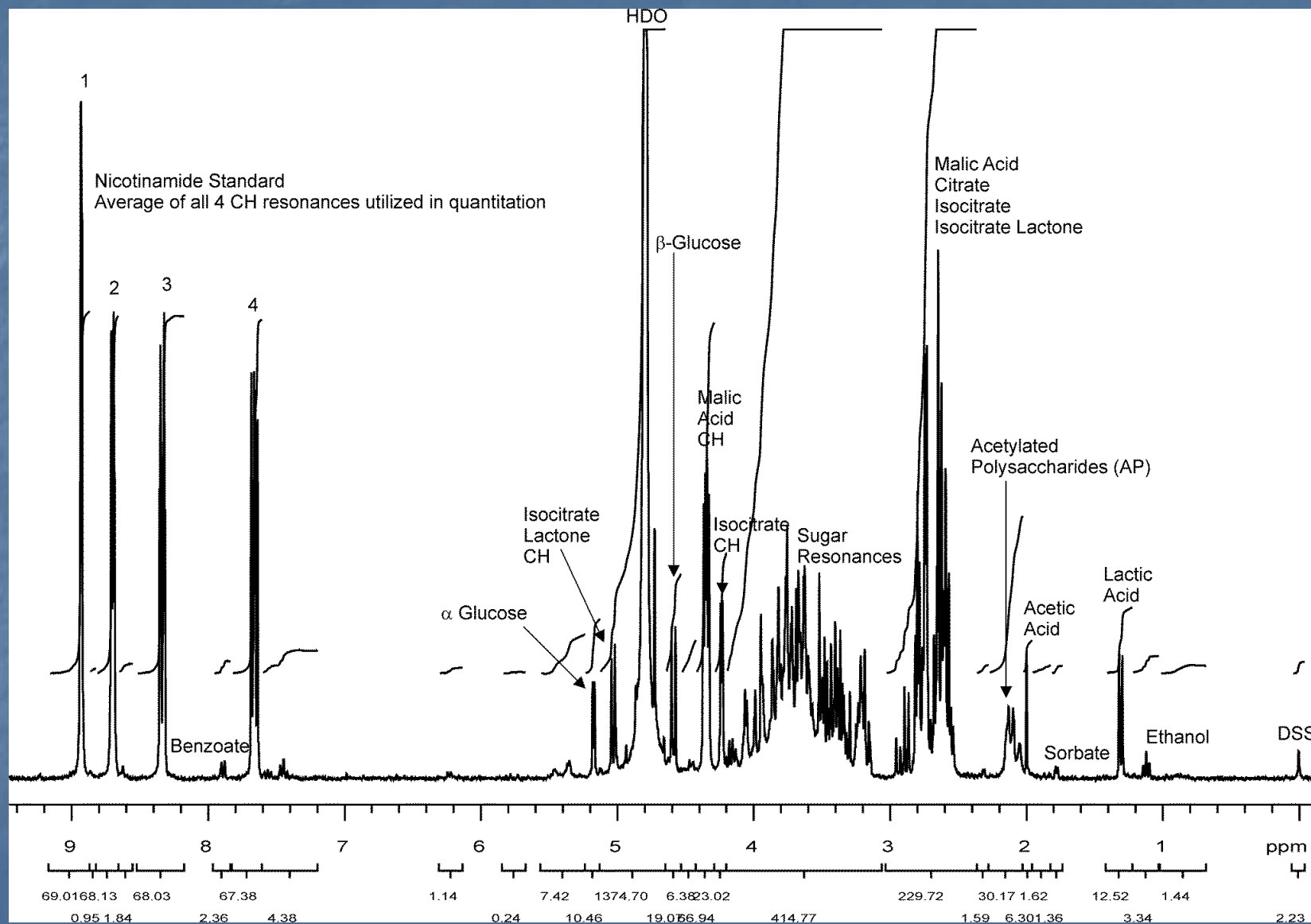
Commercial freeze-dried 200x aloe vera leaf juice powder
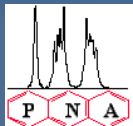
Aloe Vera Inner Leaf Juice Constituents and Additives that need to be Analyzed and Reported for IASC Certification

Compound	IASC Certification requirement
Acemannan	≥ 5% dry weight
Glucose	Present
Aloin	10 ppm or less in 0.5% aloe vera solids solution, analysed by HPLC or other fit for purpose methodology approved by IASC
Isocitrate	≤ 5% dry weight
Maltodextrin	Must be listed on label and analysis must meet label claims. If undeclared, is considered an adulterant.
Solids	≥ 0.46% in single-strength juice (for example, a 10x concentrate should have ≥ 4.6%)
Ash	≤ 40%

Included in the American Herbal Pharmacopoeia Monograph on Aloe
Vera Leaf, Leaf Juice & Inner Leaf Juice
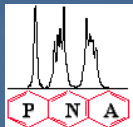
Characteristic chemical shift values, peak multiplicity, protonated carbon type and N values used for detection and quantitation of the major natural components of aloe vera leaf juice

Substance	Signal Type and N Parameter	Chemical shift, ppm
Acetylated Polysaccharides	Broad Group of CH_3 Singlets (N=3)	2.0-2.3
Isocitric acid	CH, Doublet (N=1)	4.25
Malic acid	CH, 4 peak multiplet (N=1)	4.45
α-Glucose	CH Doublet (N=1)	4.6
β-Glucose	CH Doublet (N=1)	5.2
Isocitric lactone	CH Doublet (N=1)	5.05
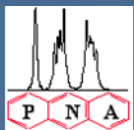
Chemical shift values, peak and chemistry descriptions, molar conversion factors that can be used for detection and quantitation of aloe vera leaf juice preservatives, additives, and degradation products

Compound	Type of compound	Signal type	Chemical shift, ppm
Propylene glycol	Additive	CH_3, doublet (N=3)	1.1
Ethanol	Degradation product or additive	CH_3, triplet (N=3)	1.15
Lactic acid	Degradation product	CH_3, doublet (N=3)	1.33
Potassium sorbate	Preservative	CH_3, doublet (N=3)	1.82
Acetic acid	Degradation product	CH_3, singlet (N=3)	1.96
Pyruvic acid	Degradation product	CH_3, singlet (N=3)	2.35
Citric acid	Naturally present or added as pH regulator or preservative	2 x CH_2, Multiplet (N=4)	2.5-3.0
Succinic acid	Degradation product	2 x CH_2, singlet (N=4)	2.6
Glycerol	Additive	CH_2 and CH, multiplet	3.5
Glycine	Additive	CH_2, singlet (N=2)	3.51
Sucrose	Additive	CH, doublet (N=1)	5.4
Fumaric acid	Degradation product	2 x CH, singlet (N=2)	6.5
Sodium benzoate	Preservative	2 x CH, doublet (N=2)	7.95
Formic acid	Degradation product	CH, singlet (N=1)	8.2-8.3

Analysis of Aloe Sample 458 – Whole Leaf Aloe Powder

Library Manager

New Library   Select Library

Current Library: D:\MNova\A. vera test 1

	Experiment	Description
1	A vera 1	All compounds test for A vera
2	Aloe Vera Analysis - 100x with Maltodextrin	ID and qNMR analysis for Aloe Vera required components - ...
3	Aloe Vera Analysis - Freeze Dried	ID and qNMR analysis for Aloe Vera required components - ...
4	Aloe Vera Analysis - Freeze Dried	All compounds test for Aloe vera
5	Aloe - Acid - Maltodextrin - WL	All compounds test for A vera
6	t5	All compounds test

OK   Cancel

Experiment

Name: Aloe Vera Analysis - Freeze Dried

Description:
ID and qNMR analysis for Aloe Vera required components -
Acetylated Polysaccharide (AP), Malic Acid, Glucose
Quantitation of degradation products -
lactic acid, acetic acid, fumaric acid
Quantitation of whole leaf markers -
isocitrate and isocitrate lactone
Qunatification of preservatives -
sodium benzoate, potassium sorbate

Units: wt%

Compound	Type	Mol. Weight	Color	Spectrum
acetic acid	Compound	60.05	Red	1
beta-glucose	Compound	180.16	Green	1
Isocitrate	Compound	192.12	Orange	1
isocitrate lactone	Compound	174.11	Orange	1

Compound Editor

Name: Isocitrate

Color: Orange   Spectrum Nº: 1   Molecular Weight: 192.12

Type: Compound   Acceptable Limit From: ____   To: ____

Formula
100*(RW*I1*NNR1*MW)/(IR1*NN1*MWR*SW)

Formula Editor

Ranges

	From	To	NN
1	4.21	4.27	1

OK   Cancel

Experiment Setup
Add Component Information Name,
Molecular Wt, # protons,
Shift Ranges of Component Peaks

Acceptable results can be specified, and
outliers will be flagged

Setup Calculation Formulas

Formula Editor

$$100*(RW*I1*NNR1*MW)/(IR1*NN1*MWR*SW)$$

Check Formula

LEGEND:

CONCENTRATIONS OF OTHER COMPOUNDS:
C1: Concentration of: isocitric lactone
C2: Concentration of: AP
C3: Concentration of: Ethanol
CCF : Concentration Factor of Reference
C5: Concentration of: glucose
C6: Concentration of: alpha-glucose
C7: Concentration of: malic acid
C8: Concentration of: acetic acid
C9: Concentration of: beta-glucose
C10: Concentration of: Isocitrate

INTEGRALS:
IR1: Reference Integral of range [7.54 , 7.68]
I1: Integral of range [1.34 , 1.27]

NUMBER OF NUCLIDES:
NNR1: Reference Nuclides of range [7.54 , 7.68]
NN1: Nuclides of range [1.34 , 1.27]

OTHERS:
MW: Molecular Weight
SW: Sample Weight
RW: Reference Weight
RC: Reference Concentration
MWR : Molecular Weight of Reference

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Note: The Experimental and Formula Setup are performed only once and are then saved in a library for further use

Spectral Result - Sample 458
GSD Output is Used in Formula
Component shifts identified
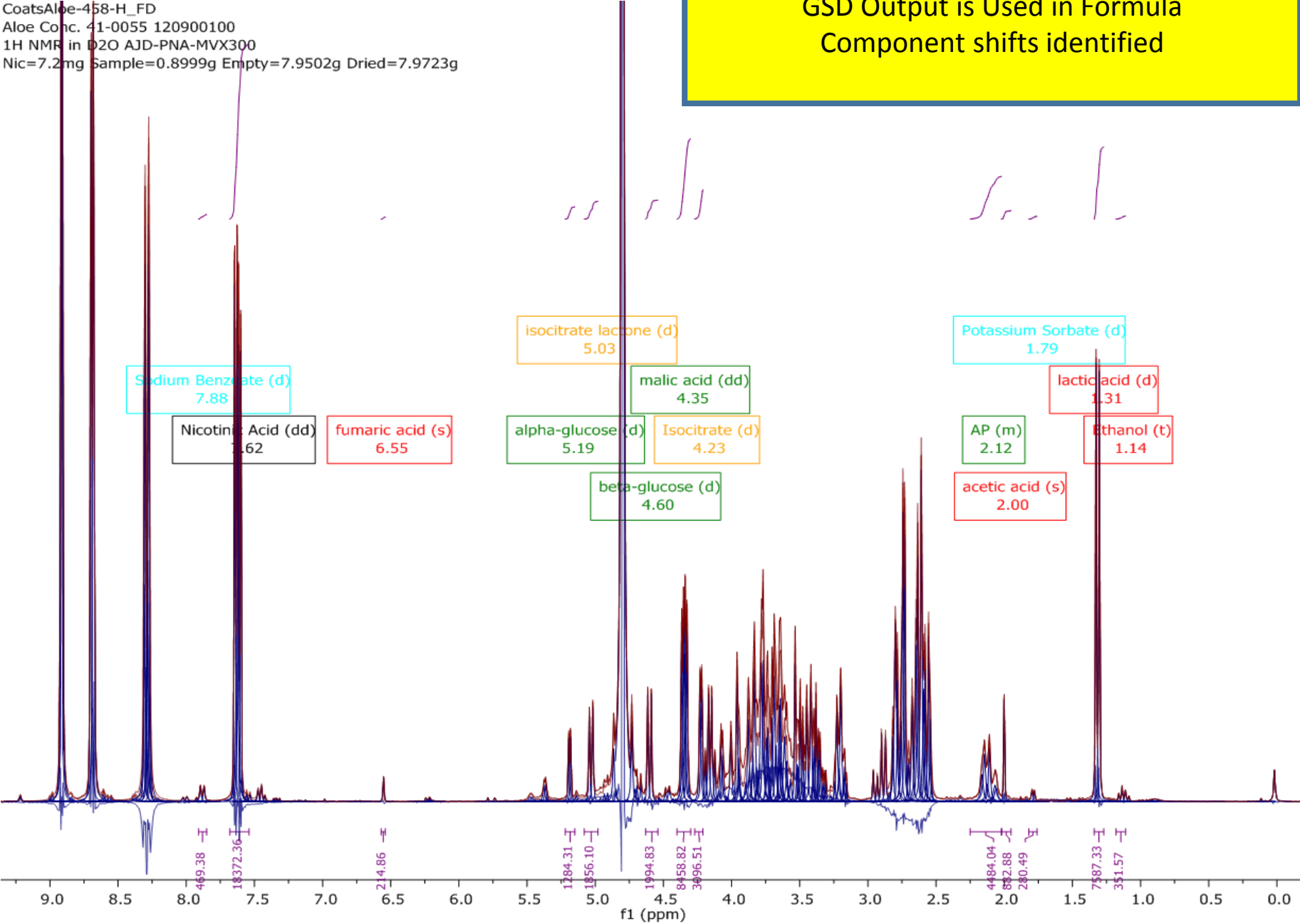
CoatsAloe-458-H_FD
Aloe Conc. 41-0055 120900100
1H NMR in D2O AJD-PNA-MVX300
Nic=7.2mg Sample=0.8999g Empty=7.9502g Dried=7.9723g

Sodium Benzoate (d) 7.88
Nicotinic Acid (dd) 1.62
fumaric acid (s) 6.55
isocitrate lactone (d) 5.03
malic acid (dd) 4.35
alpha-glucose (d) 5.19
Isocitrate (d) 4.23
beta-glucose (d) 4.60
Potassium Sorbate (d) 1.79
lactic acid (d) 1.31
AP (m) 2.12
Ethanol (t) 1.14
acetic acid (s) 2.00

Simple Mixtures Analysis

Compound	Result
AP	6.08 wt%
Ethanol	0.08 wt%
alpha-glucose	3.36 wt%
lactic acid	3.31 wt%
malic acid	16.49 wt%
acetic acid	0.26 wt%
beta-glucose	5.22 wt%
Isocitrate	8.65 wt%
isocitrate lactone	4.70 wt%
fumaric acid	0.18 wt%
Sodium Benzoate	0.49 wt%
Potassium Sorbate	0.20 wt%

Sample Details:

Sample ID: AloeCo-458-H_FD
Sample Weight: 22.1
Reference Weight: 7.2
SOP: 1H NMR - Aloe Vera - Freeze Dried Sample
Investigator: John Edwards
Customer: Aloe Co., Somewhere TX
Customer Sample Number: Item: 32-0048 Lot:120900100

XHTML Results Output

AloeCo-458 - Aloe Vera Whole Leaf Product - Freeze Dried Powder

| Component	MNova Mixture Analysis	Manual Integration
AP - Acetylated Polysaccharide	6.08	6.47
Ethanol	0.08	0.08
glucose	8.58	8.72
lactic acid	3.31	3.6
malic acid	16.49	16.52
acetic acid	0.26	0.32
Isocitrate	8.65	8.33
isocitrate lactone	4.70	4.91
fumaric acid	0.18	0.14
Sodium Benzoate	0.49	0.52
Potassium Sorbate	0.20	0.25

Comparison of ^{1}H qNMR calculations of component wt% obtained from :

1) **Mnova SMA**

2) **Manual Integration + Excel Method (validated)**

Aloe Sample 42 :
Whole Leaf Powder with Maltodextrin Adulterant
Two Experiments Analyzed Simultaneously

For Aloe sample 42 the full analysis required 2 related samples, but the final analysis was achieved in a single step.

1) All parameters except isocitrate were calculated from the aloe sample dissolved in D_2O.
2) Isocitrate is calculated from the spectrum of the same sample after acidification with DCl, which shifts the isocitrate doublet to a non-overlapping region at 4.7 ppm
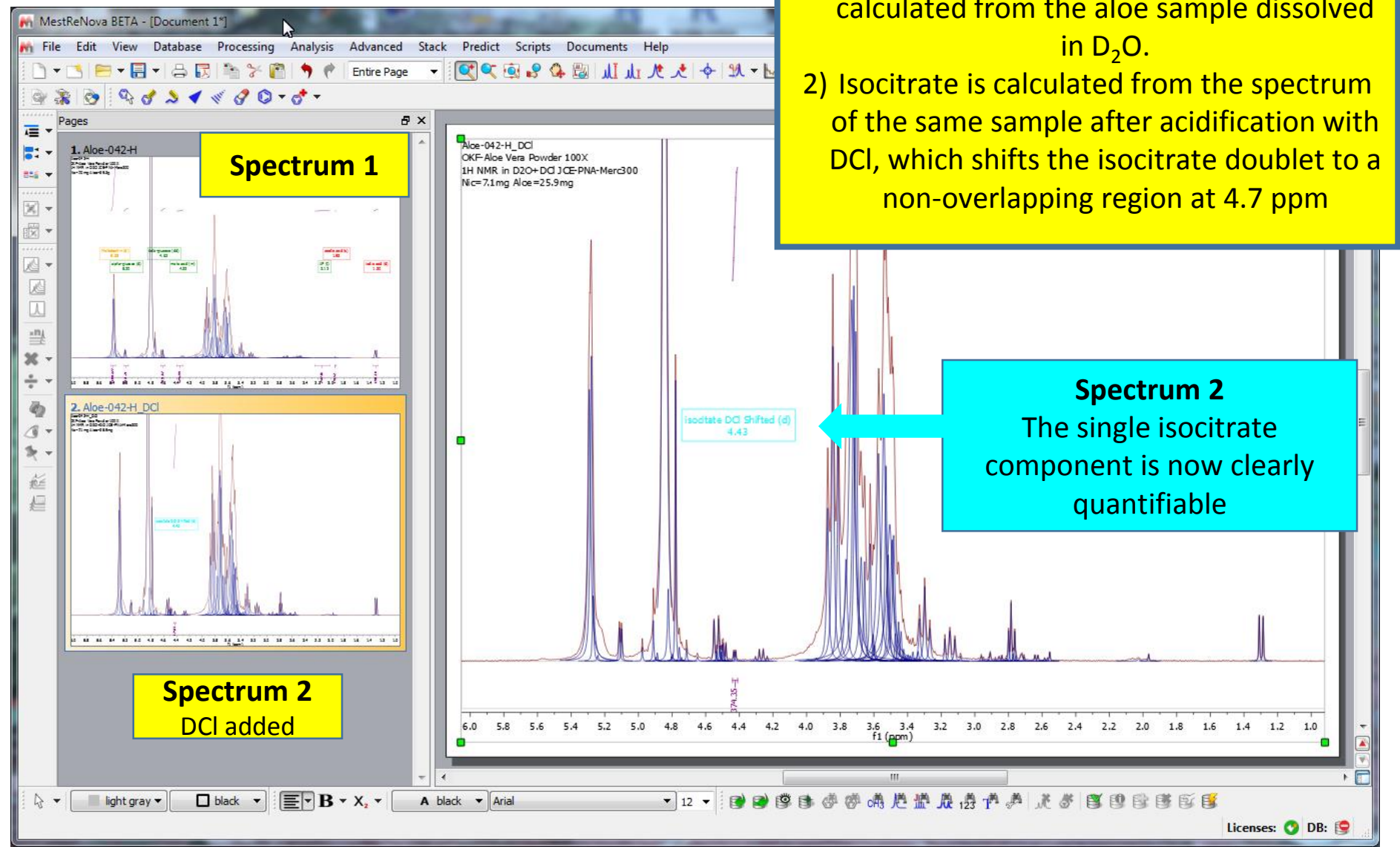
Spectrum 1

Spectrum 2
The single isocitrate component is now clearly quantifiable

Spectrum 2
DCl added

Simple Mixture Analysis

Analyze | Settings | Report | Libraries

Analysis Data | Result

Mixture

Library: D:\fflova\A. vera test 1

Name: Aloe Vera Analysis - 100x with Maltodextrin

Description: ID and qNMR analysis for Aloe Vera required components - Acetylated Polysaccharide (AP), Malic Acid, Glucose Quantitation of degradation products - lactic acid, acetic acid, fumaric acid Quantitation of whole leaf markers - isocitrate Quantitattion of Adulterant - Maltodextrin

Sample Details

Sample ID: AloeCo-042   Weight(mg): 39.3

Reference Concentration: Reference Weight(mg): 7

Metadata

SOP: 1H NMR - Aloe +Maltodextrin - Powder

Investigator: John Edwards

Customer: Aloe Co - Somewhere TX

Customer Sample Number: CKP - 100x

Comments:

Experiment

Experiment

Name: Aloe Vera Analysis - 100x with Maltodextrin

Description: ID and qNMR analysis for Aloe Vera required components - Acetylated Polysaccharide (AP), Malic Acid, Glucose Quantitation of degradation products - lactic acid, acetic acid, fumaric acid Quantitation of whole leaf markers - isocitrate Quantitattion of Adulterant - Maltodextrin

Units: wt%

Compound	Type	Mol. Weight	Color	Spectrum
acetic acid	Compound	60.05	Red	1
beta-glucose	Compound	180.16	Green	1
isocitate DCI Shift...	Compound	192.12	Cyan	2
Maltodextrin	Compound	180	Orange	1

Compound Editor

Name:

Color: Red   Spectrum Nº: 1   Molecular Weight:

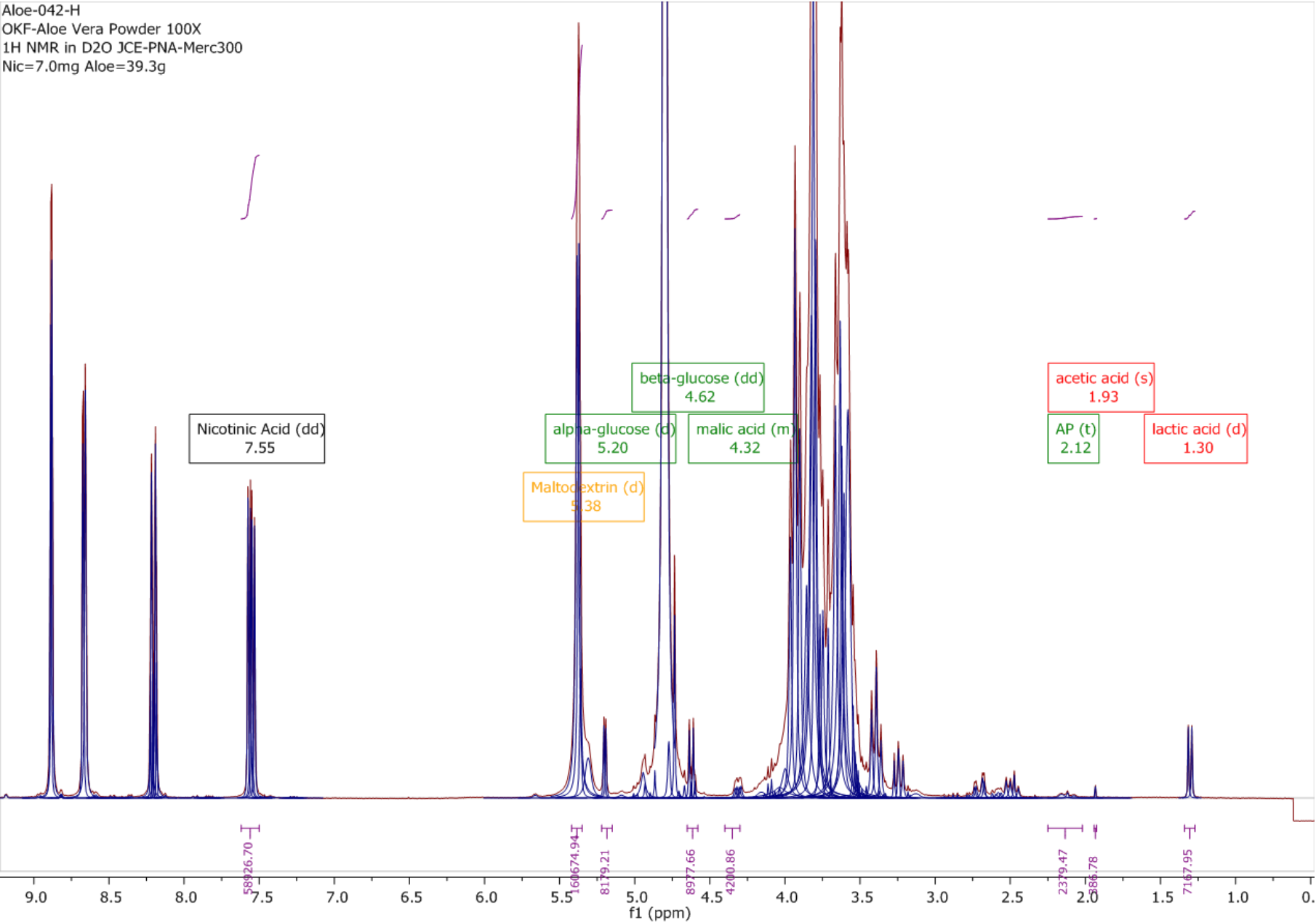Type: Ref   Acceptable Limit From: To:

Formula

Formula Editor

Ranges

	From	To	NN
1			

OK | Cancel

Aloe-042-H
OKF-Aloe Vera Powder 100X
1H NMR in D2O JCE-PNA-Merc300
Nic=7.0mg Aloe=39.3g

Simple Mixtures Analysis

Compound	Result
AP	0.55 wt%
Ethanol	0.00 wt%
alpha-glucose	3.65 wt%
lactic acid	0.53 wt%
malic acid	1.40 wt%
acetic acid	0.02 wt%
beta-glucose	4.01 wt%
isocitate DCl Shifted	0.19 wt%
Maltodextrin	71.66 wt%

Sample Details:

Sample ID: AloeCo-042
Sample Weight: 39.3
Reference Weight: 7
SOP: 1H NMR - Aloe+Maltodextrin - Powder
Investigator: John Edwards
Customer: Aloe Co - Somewhere TX
Customer Sample Number: OKF - 100x

AloeCo-42 - Aloe Vera Whole Leaf Powder - Mixed with Maltodextrin

Component	MNova Mixture Analysis	Manual Integration
AP - Acetylated Polysaccharide	0.55	0.47
Ethanol	0.00	0.00
glucose	7.66	8.08
lactic acid	0.53	0.50
malic acid	1.40	1.42
acetic acid	0.02	0.02
isocitate DCl Shifted	0.19	0.30
Maltodextrin	71.66	72.37

Validation
Comparison of qNMR calculations of component wt% obtained from
1) Automated Mixture Analysis
2) Manual Integration + Excel Method

qNMR standard Parameters: concentration reference mass (RW, in grams), sample volume (in L), Molecular Weight (MW), and Hydrogen # (NN1) are entered to determine the *Concentration Conversion Factor* (CCF).

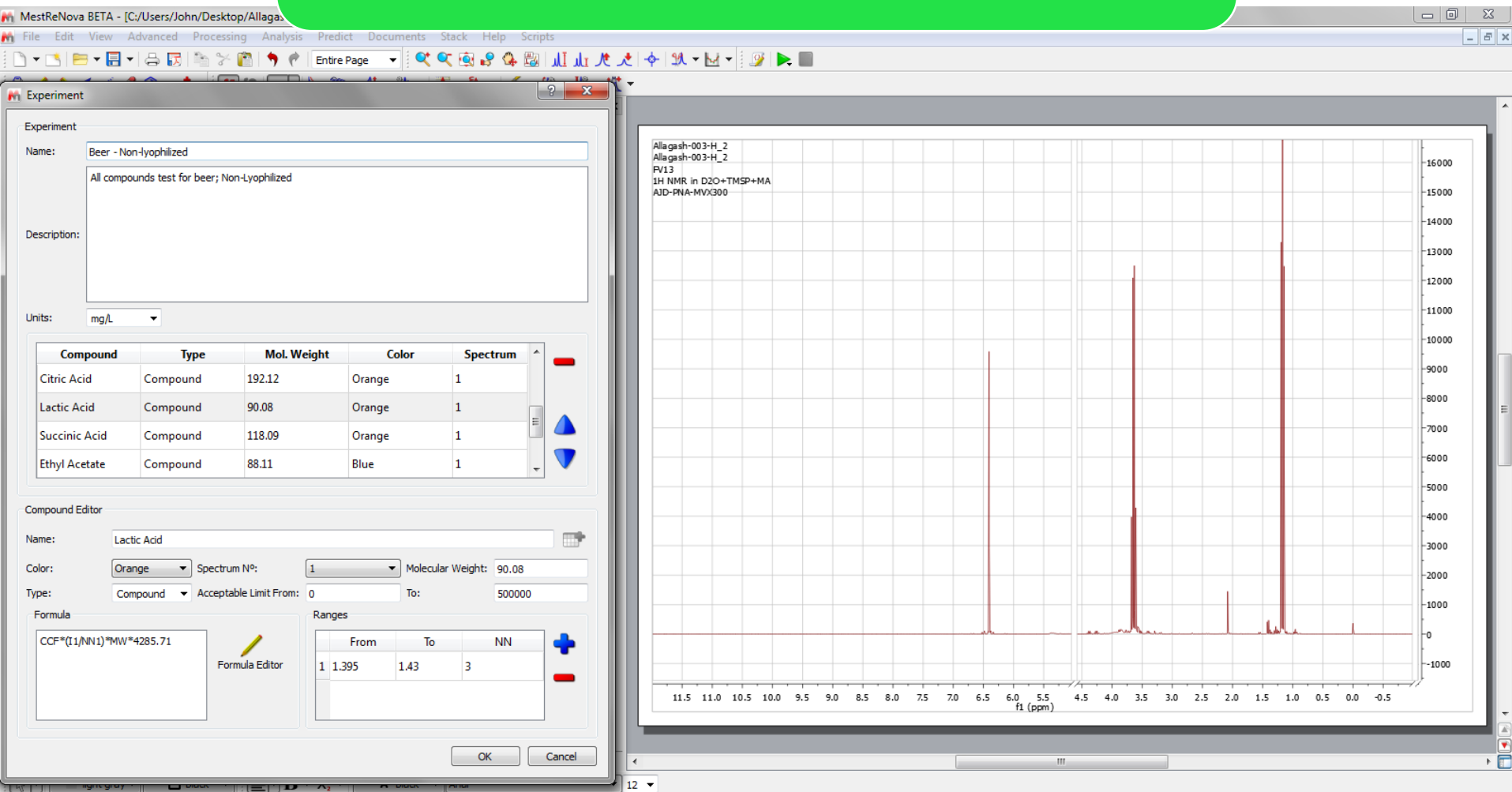For each component, Integral (I#) is automatically determined from GSD integration based on specified peak ranges, and converted to concentration using the CCF.
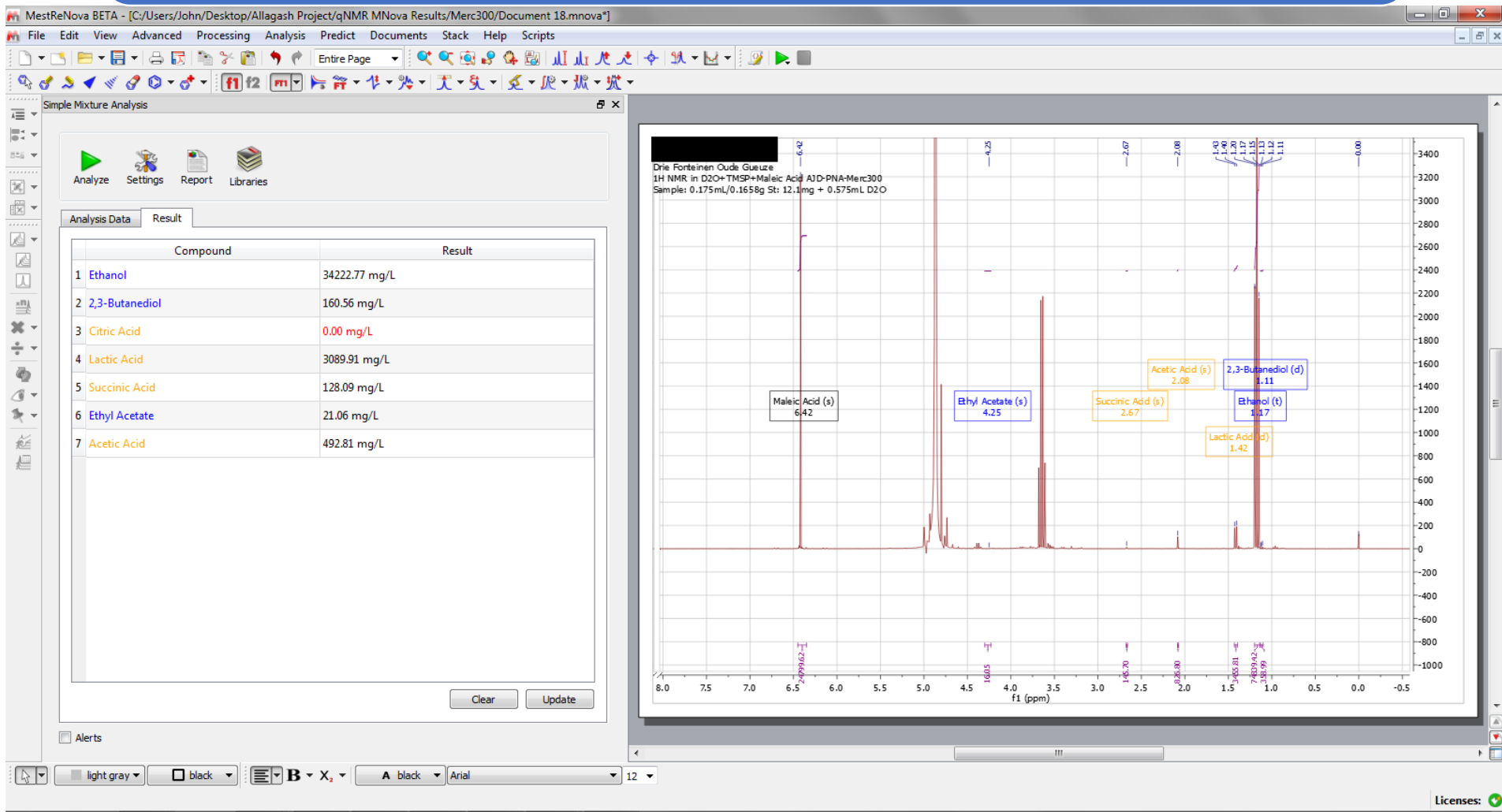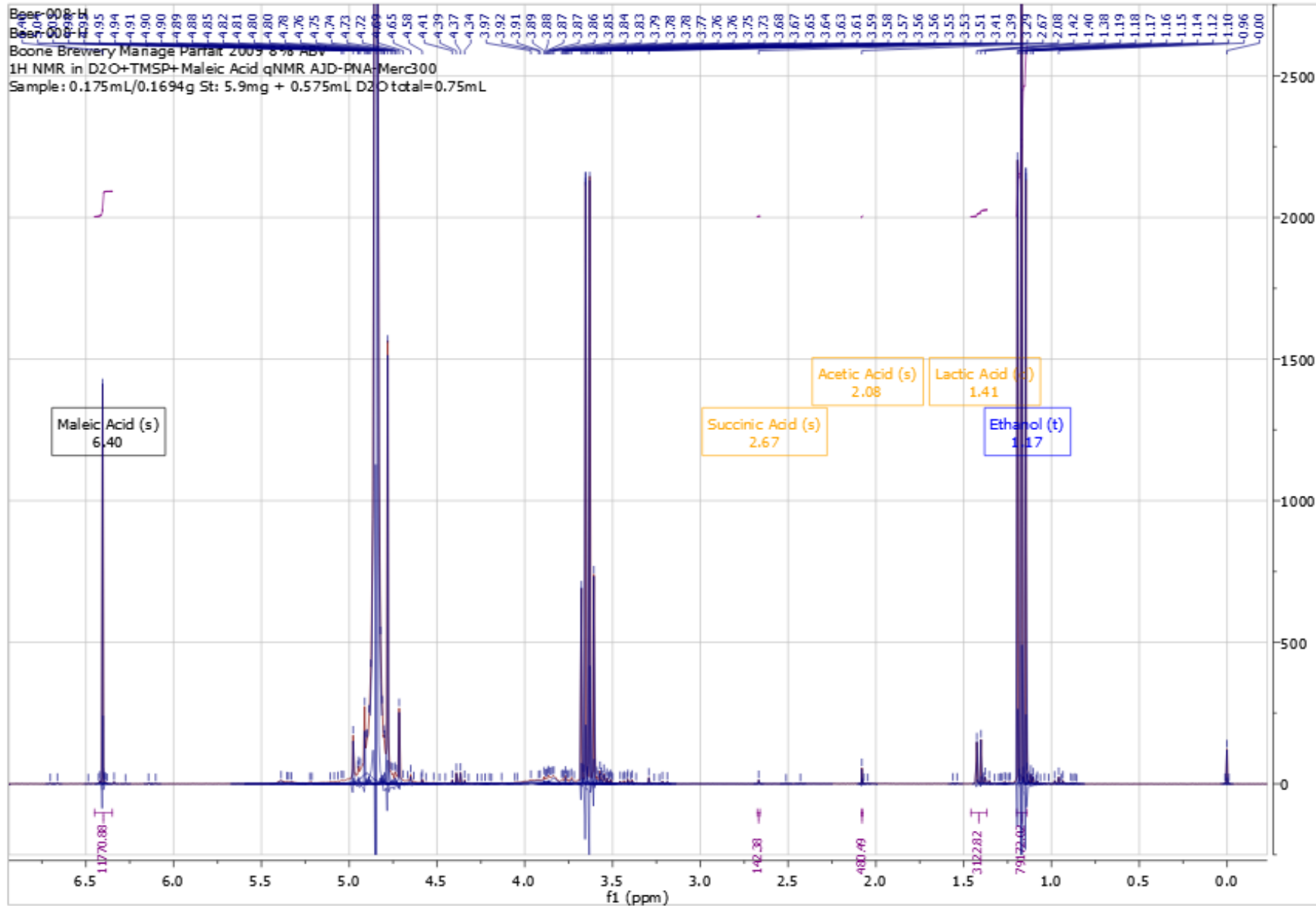
Concentrations of target metabolites are calculated as a function of CCF, NN1, MW & I#. The *terminal coefficient* (4285.71) is a correction factor for sample dilution and conversion to mg/L.

Global Spectral Deconvolution & Peak Picking automatically identifies and integrates peaks based on entered peak ranges. Quantitation results are immediately derived can be exported as XML & XHTML files, copied to clipboard, or pasted onto the spectrum in Mnova.

Beer-008-H
Beer-008-H
Boone Brewery Manage Parfait 2009 8% ABV
1H NMR in D2O+TMSP+ Maleic Acid qNMR AJD-PNA-Merc300
Sample: 0.175mL/0.1694g St: 5.9mg + 0.575mL D2O total=0.75mL

Maleic Acid (s)
6.40

Acetic Acid (s)
2.08

Lactic Acid (d)
1.41

Succinic Acid (s)
2.67

Ethanol (t)
1.17

Comparison of results obtained by manual integration (solid border, left) and by automatic Mnova SMA (dotted border, right).
Units=mg/L

Brewery	Beer	Manual Integration				Mnova SMA			
		Lactic Acid	Acetic Acid	Succinic Acid	Citric Acid	Lactic Acid	Acetic Acid	Succinic Acid	Citric Acid
Allagash	Confluence	850.5	402.4	167.4	248.2	901.3	437.6	184.3	353.2
Budweiser	Bud Light	93.9	38.1	35.8	82.7	117.1	17.7	34.2	62.6
Crooked Stave	Surette	4699.2	564.9	195.7	265.5	4247.9	549.2	185.6	262.4
Drie Fonteinen	Oude Gueuze	5137.6	865.9	234.6	0.0	4935.2	787.1	204.6	0.0
Drie Fonteinen	Oude Gueuze	5389.9	917.7	228.9	0.0	5180.0	775.2	194.4	0.0
LoverBeer	D'Uva Beer	3071.4	781.5	876.0	358.0	3302.8	759.9	842.4	377.3
Boone	Mariage Parfait 2009	4506.5	488.1	216.9	0.0	4591.8	403.2	193.1	0.0
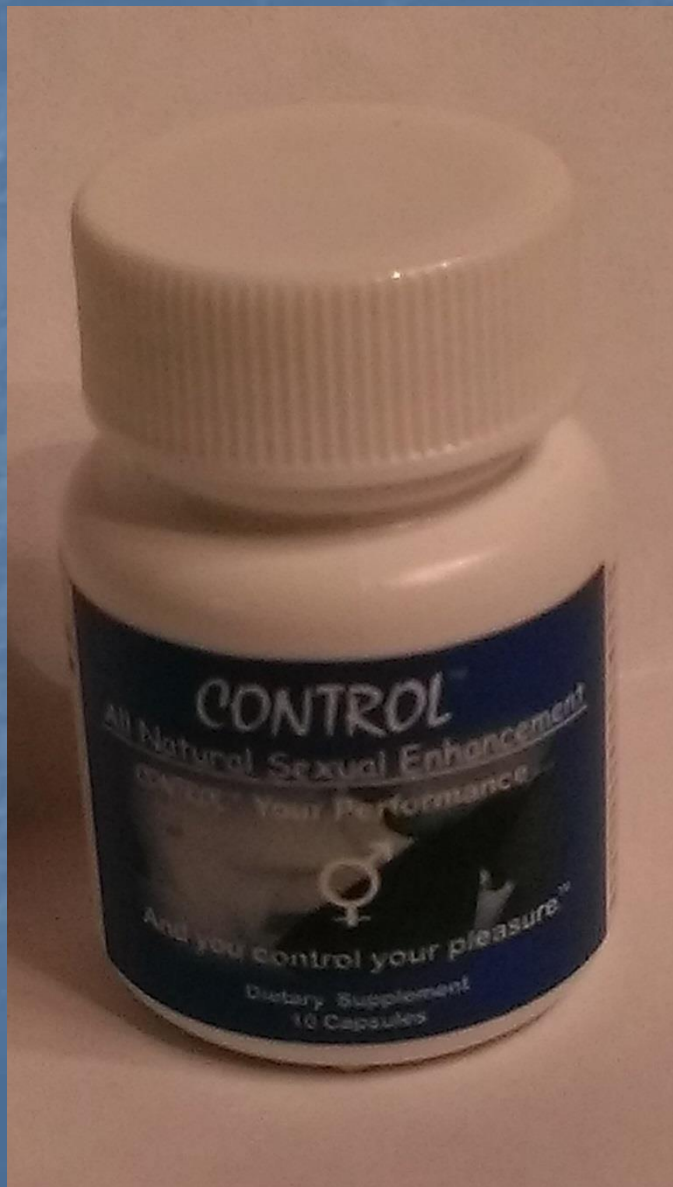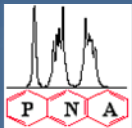
Question:
Why is this competitors product so good?

Ingredients : Oyster, Barberry, Dextrose, Snow Lotus, Bombyx Mori L, Ginger Root, Salfron Crocus.
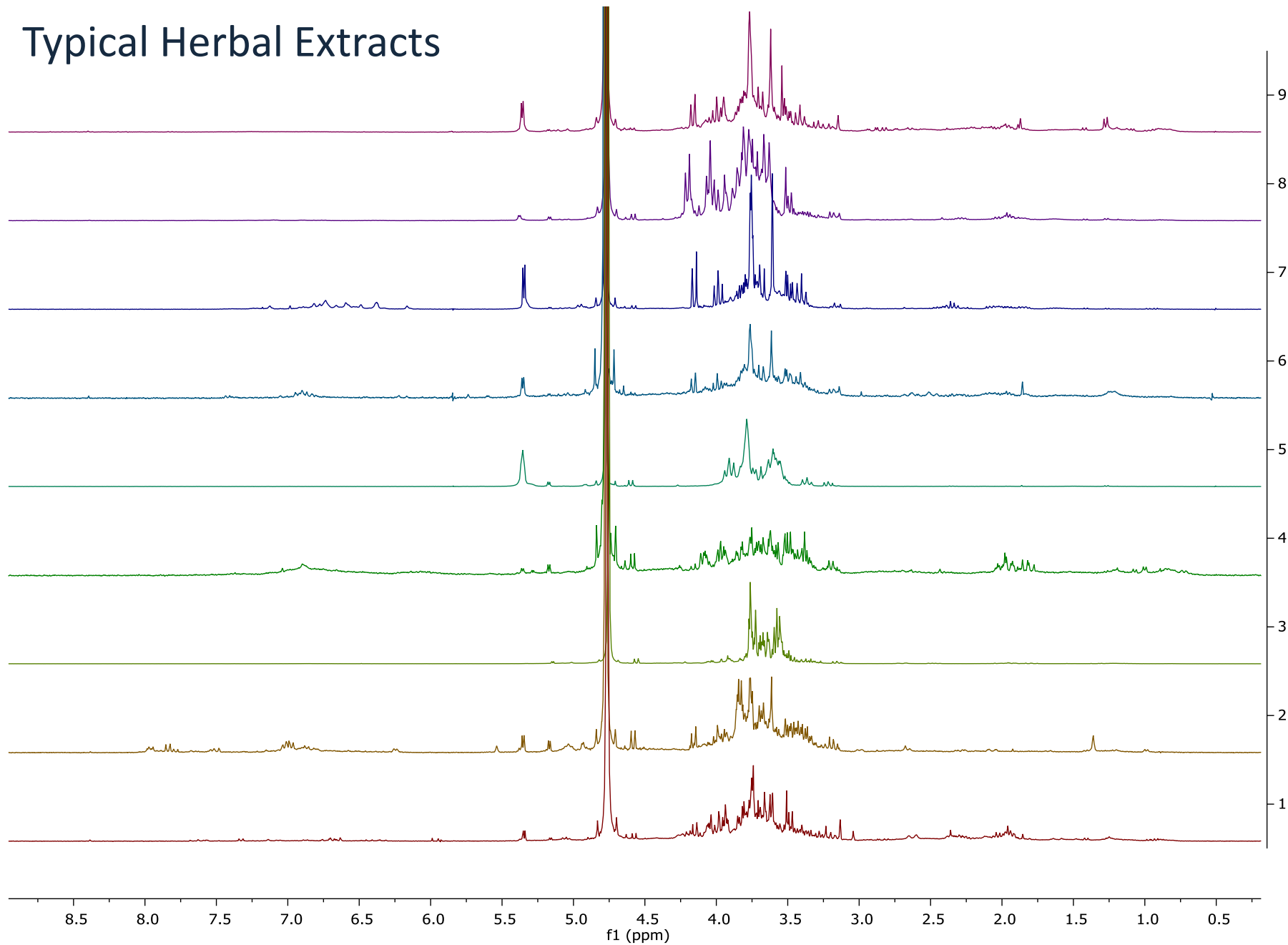
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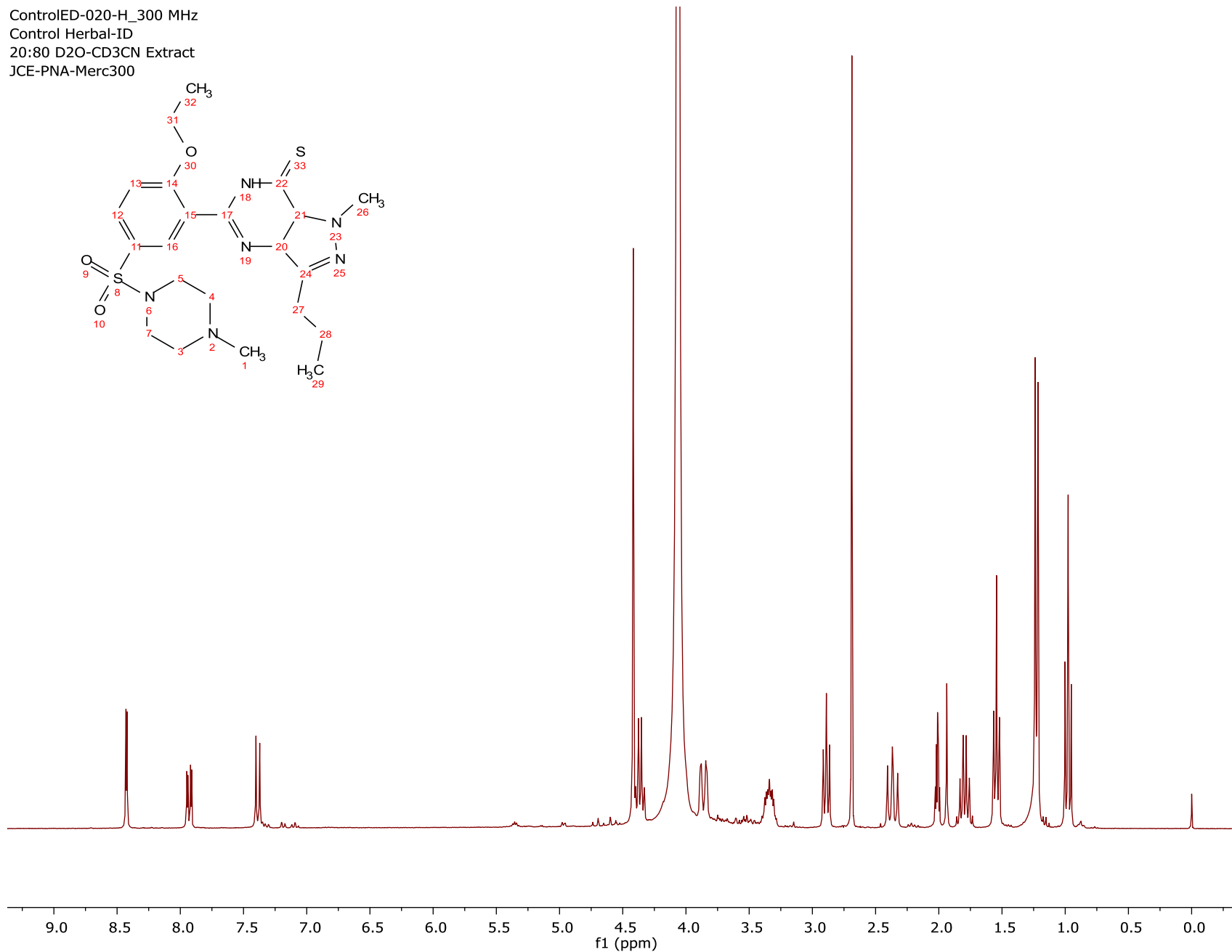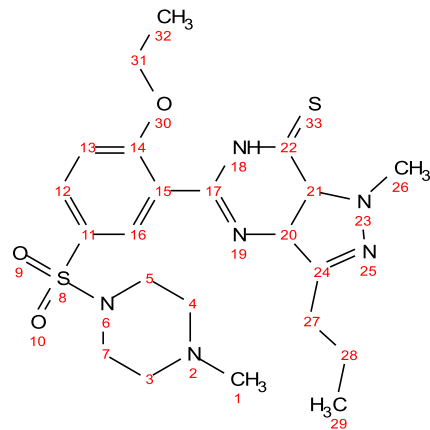Centrifuge or Settle
Supernatant analyzed.

Answer:
Also contained ~10 wt% Sulfoaildenafil
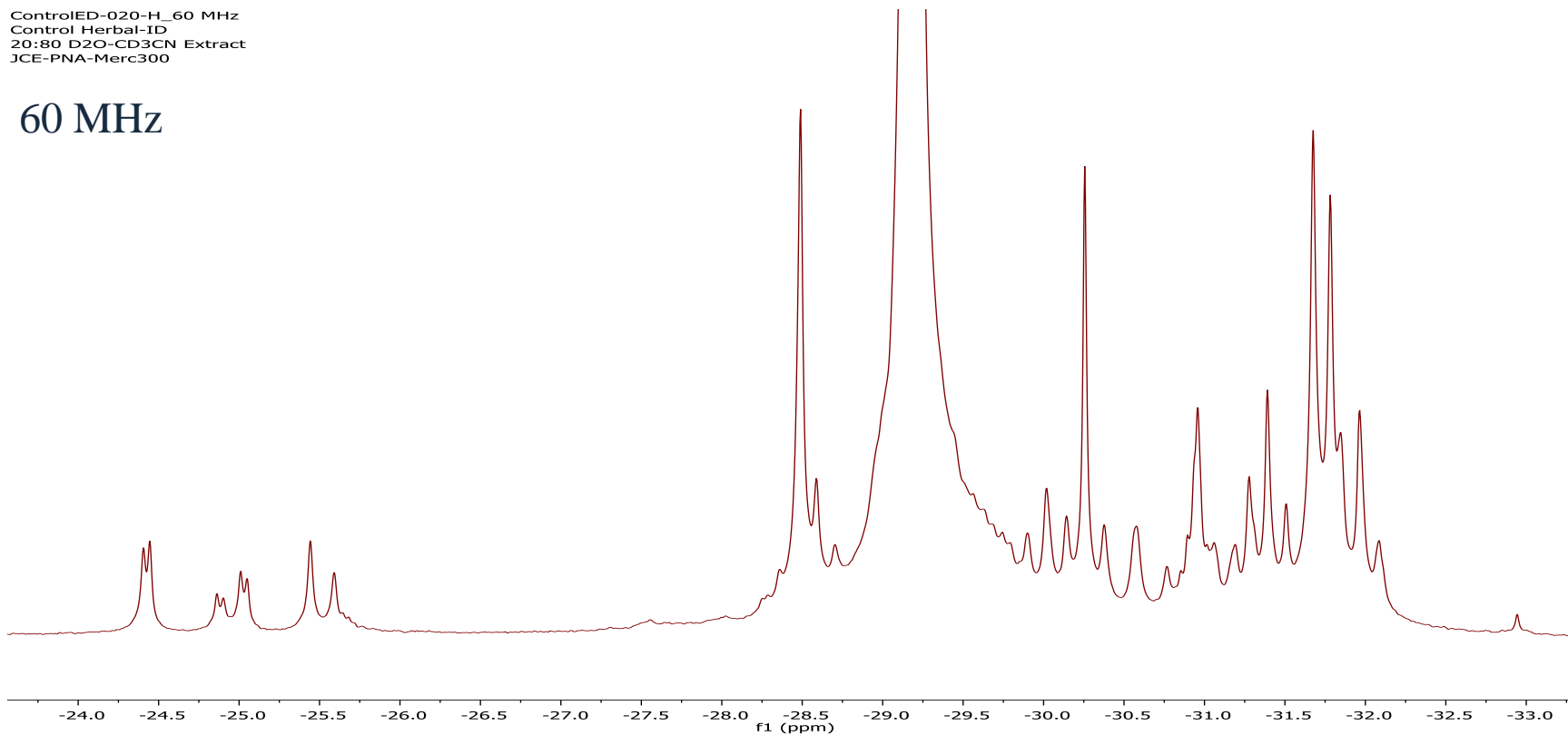A Viagra Analog

Typical Herbal Extracts

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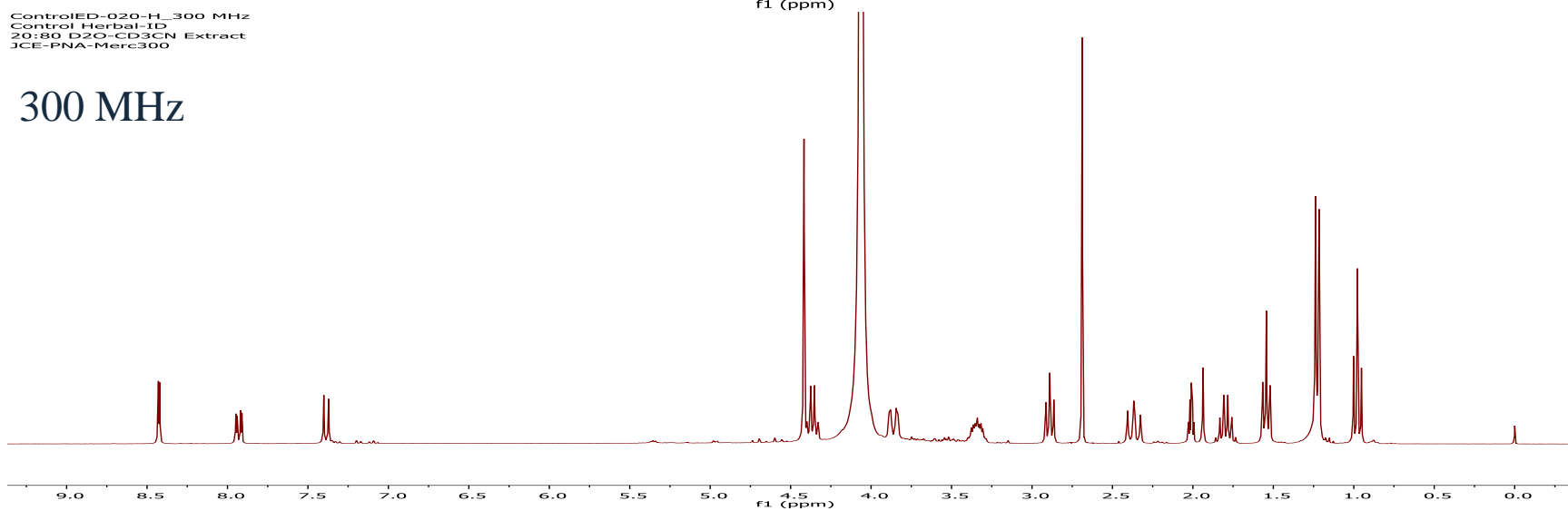Control Herbal-ID
20:80 D2O-CD3CN Extract
JCE-PNA-Merc300

ControlED-020-H_60 MHz
Control Herbal-ID
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JCE-PNA-Merc300

60 MHz

ControlED-020-H_300 MHz
Control Herbal-ID
20:80 D2O-CD3CN Extract
JCE-PNA-Merc300

300 MHz

Simple Mixture Analysis

Analyze | Settings | Report | Libraries

Analysis Data | Result

Mixture

Library: D:/MNova/USP/ED Herbals

Name: ED Herbals

Description: PDE5i in Herbal Supplements

Sample Details

Sample ID: Herbal ED-300   Weight(mg): 95.2

Reference Concentration: Reference Weight(mg): 25.9

Metadata

SOP: 1H qNMR - 300 MHz - Maleic

Investigator: John Edwards

Customer: XXX

Customer Sample Number: XXX

Comments: XXX

Experiment

Experiment

Name: ED Herbals

Description: PDE5i in Herbal Supplements

Units: wt%

Compound	Type	Mol. Weight	Color	Spectrum
Sulfoaidenafil	Compound	504.67	Blue	1
Maleic Acid	Ref	116.07	Red	1
Sulfoaidenafil-60	Compound	504.67	Blue	1

Compound Editor

Name: Sulfoaidenafil-60

Color: Blue   Spectrum Nº: 1   Molecular Weight: 504.67
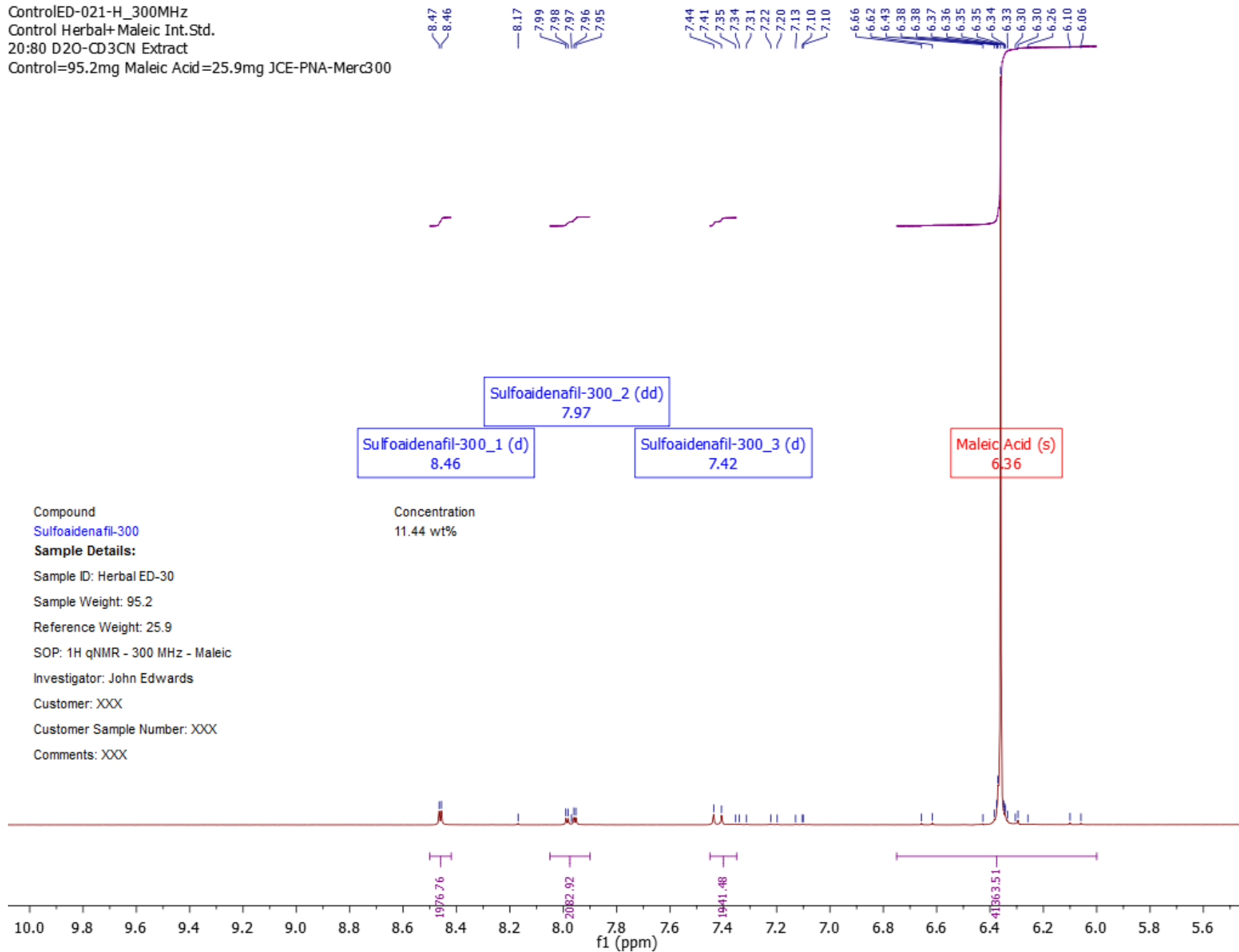
Type: Compound   Acceptable Limit From: To:

Formula

100*(RW*((I1+I2+I3)/(NN1+NN2+NN3))*MW)/(IR1/(NNR1)*MWR*SW)

Formula Editor

Ranges

	From	To	NN
1	8.66	8.42	1
2	8.15	7.82	1

OK | Cancel

ControlED-021-H_300MHz
Control Herbal+ Maleic Int.Std.
20:80 D2O-CD3CN Extract
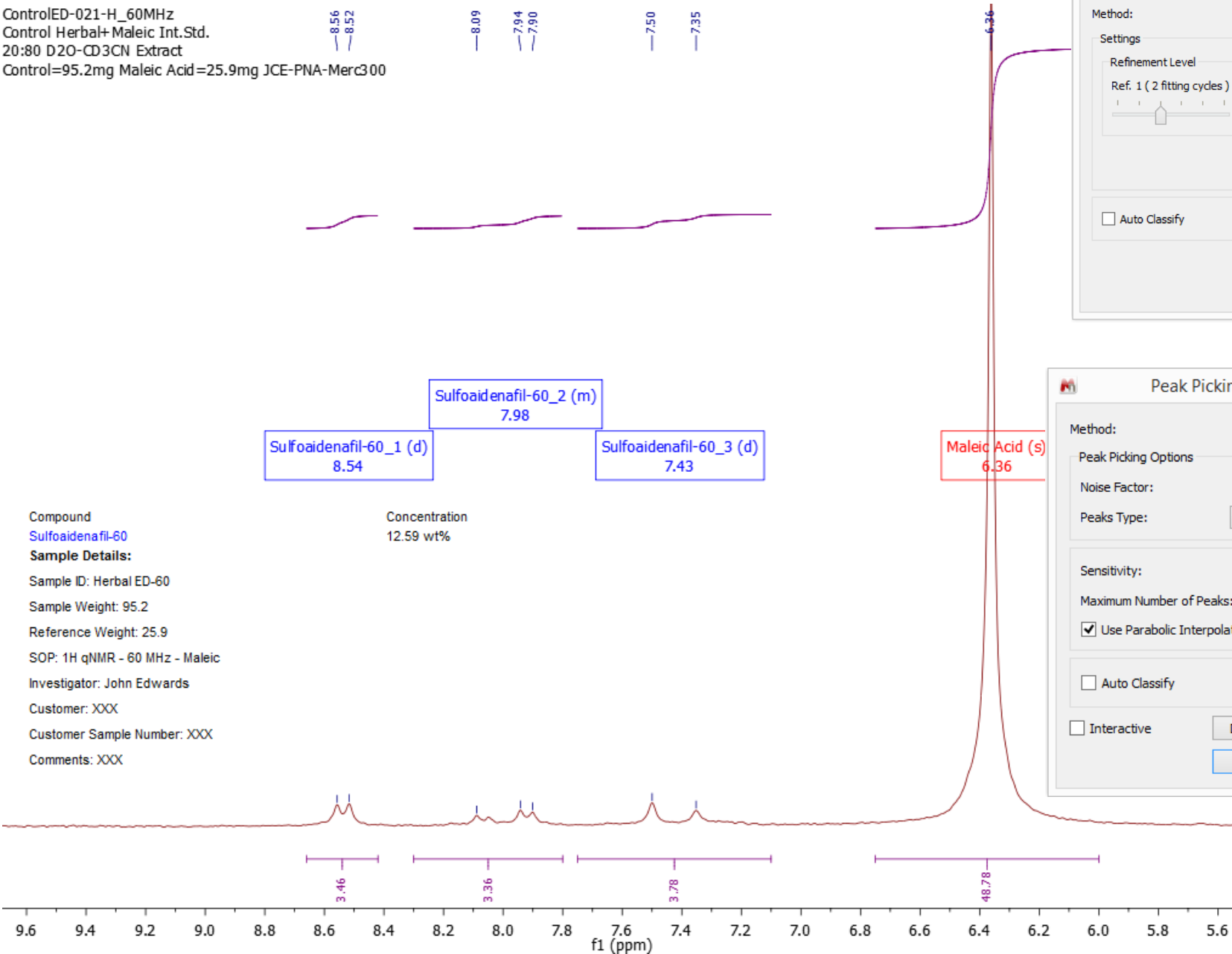Control=95.2mg Maleic Acid=25.9mg JCE-PNA-Merc300

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6.06

Sulfoaidenafil-300_2 (dd)
7.97

Sulfoaidenafil-300_1 (d)
8.46

Sulfoaidenafil-300_3 (d)
7.42

Maleic Acid (s)
6.36

Compound	Concentration
Sulfoaidenafil-300	11.44 wt%

Sample Details:

Sample ID: Herbal ED-30

Sample Weight: 95.2

Reference Weight: 25.9

SOP: 1H qNMR - 300 MHz - Maleic

Investigator: John Edwards

Customer: XXX

Customer Sample Number: XXX

Comments: XXX

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f1 (ppm)

ControlED-021-H_60MHz
Control Herbal+ Maleic Int.Std.
20:80 D2O-CD3CN Extract
Control=95.2mg Maleic Acid=25.9mg JCE-PNA-Merc300

8.56
8.52
8.09
7.94
7.90
7.50
7.35
6.36

Peak Picking Options ? ×

Method: GSD ▼

Settings

Refinement Level

Ref. 1 (2 fitting cycles)

Optimized for Peaks:
○ Narrow
○ Average
● Broad
○ Custom 0.25 ⬍

☐ Auto Classify   Impurities/Compounds...

Defaults

OK   Cancel

Sulfoaidenafil-60_2 (m)
7.98

Sulfoaidenafil-60_1 (d)
8.54

Sulfoaidenafil-60_3 (d)
7.43

Maleic Acid (s)
6.36

Compound   Concentration
Sulfoaidenafil-60   12.59 wt%
Sample Details:
Sample ID: Herbal ED-60
Sample Weight: 95.2
Reference Weight: 25.9
SOP: 1H qNMR - 60 MHz - Maleic
Investigator: John Edwards
Customer: XXX
Customer Sample Number: XXX
Comments: XXX

Peak Picking Options ? ×

Method: Standard ▼

Peak Picking Options

Noise Factor: 10.00 ⬍

Peaks Type: Only Positive ▼

Sensitivity: 100.00 ⬍

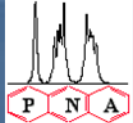Maximum Number of Peaks: 50 ⬍

☑ Use Parabolic Interpolation

☐ Auto Classify   Impurities/Compounds...
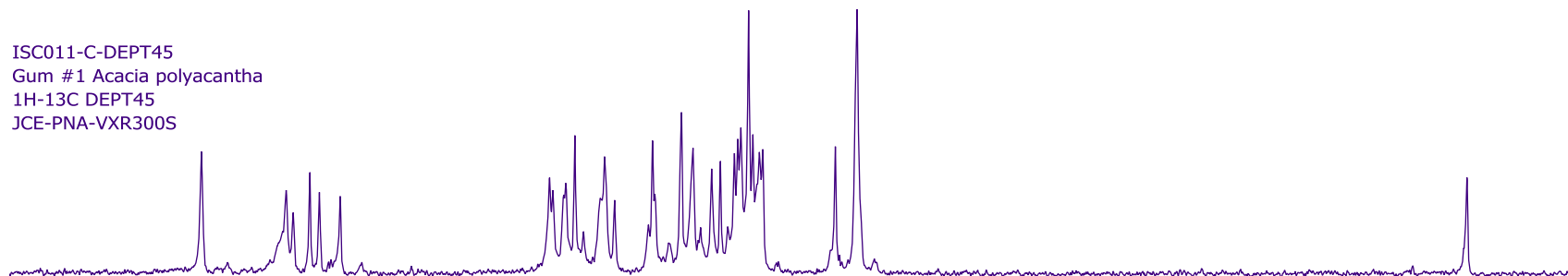
☐ Interactive   Defaults   Advanced <<

OK   Cancel

3.46   3.36   3.78   48.78

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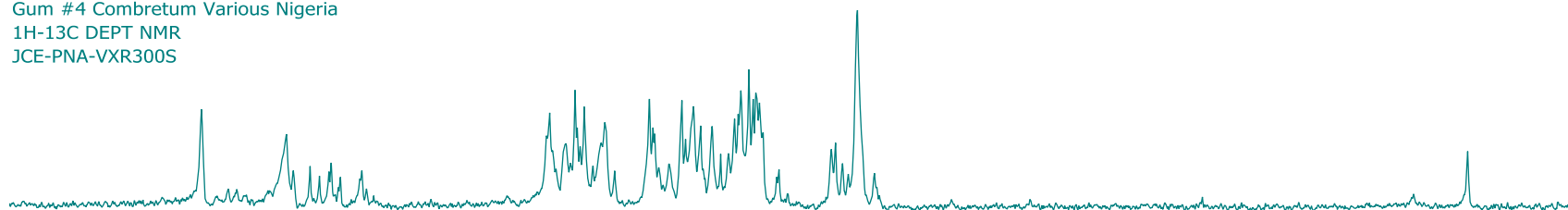f1 (ppm)

Adulteration of Acacia senegal – aka Gum Arabic
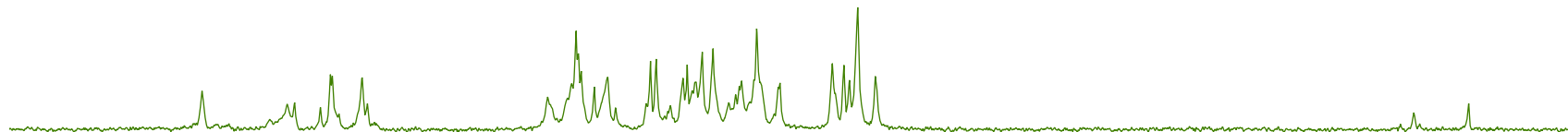**Emulsifier in Many Food, Beverage, Pharmaceutical and Cosmetic Products**

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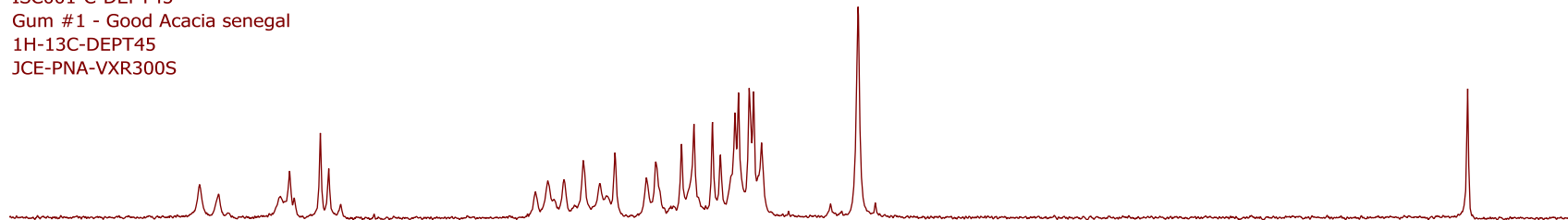1H-13C DEPT45
JCE-PNA-VXR300S

ISC004-C-DEPT
Gum #4 Combretum Various Nigeria
1H-13C DEPT NMR
JCE-PNA-VXR300S

ISC003-C-DEPT
Gum #3 - Acacia seyal
1H-13C DEPT45
JCE-PNA-VXR300S

ISC001-C-DEPT45
Gum #1 - Good Acacia senegal
1H-13C-DEPT45
JCE-PNA-VXR300S

f1 (ppm)

ISC005-H
Acacia polycnatha Sudan ABHS
1H NMR in D2O
JCE-PNA VXR300S

ISC004-H
Various-Nigeria-Combretum
1H NMR in D2O
JCE-PNA VXR300S

ISC003-H
#3 Acacia Seyal-Chad-ABHS
1H NMR in D2O
JCE-PNA VXR300S

ISC001-H
Acacia Senegal-Sudan-GAC
Best Standard
1H NMR in D2O
JCE-PNA VXR300S

f1 (ppm)

Acacia sengal adulterated
with Acacia seyal

Combretum, Nigeria

Acacia seyal

Acacia senegal

f1 (ppm)
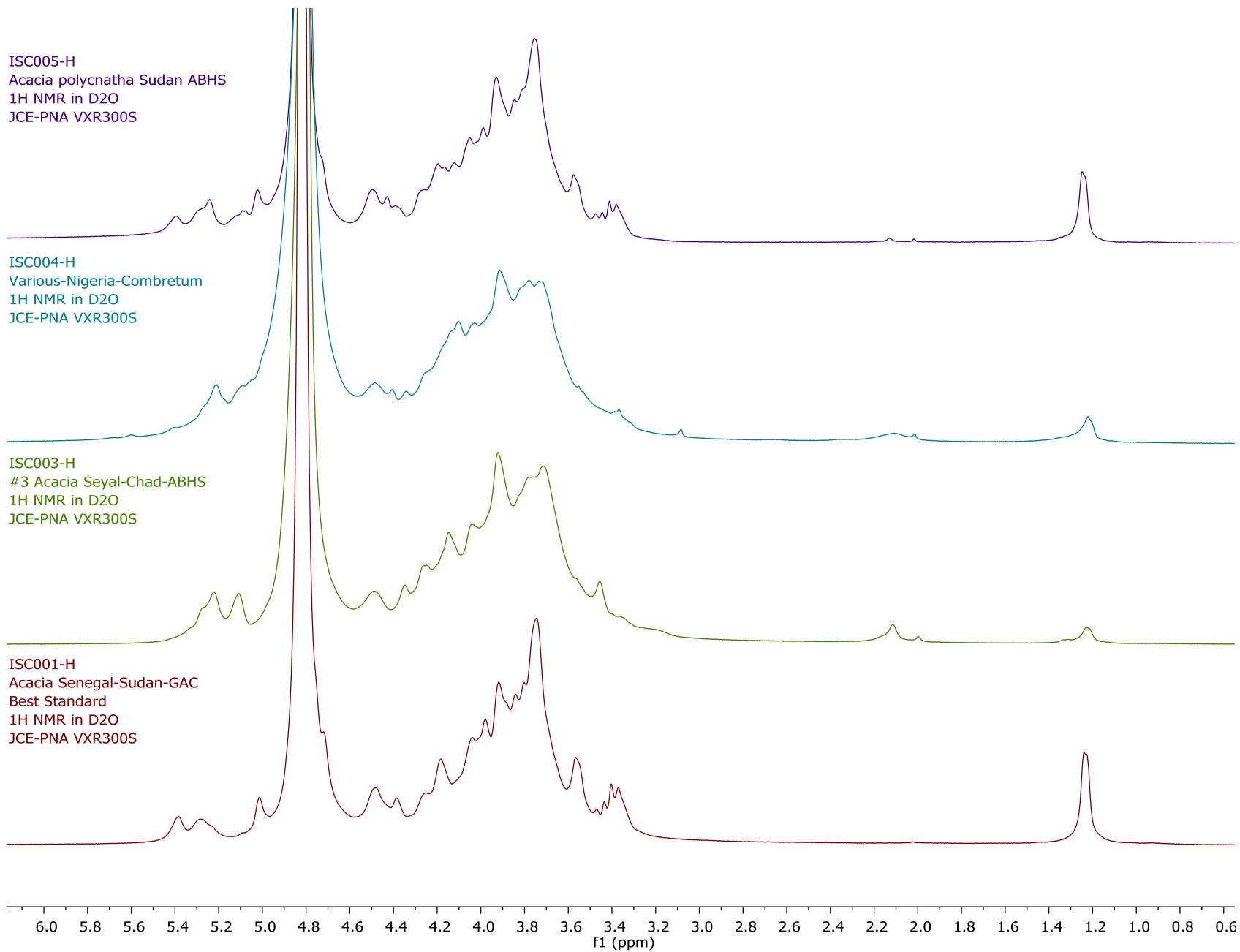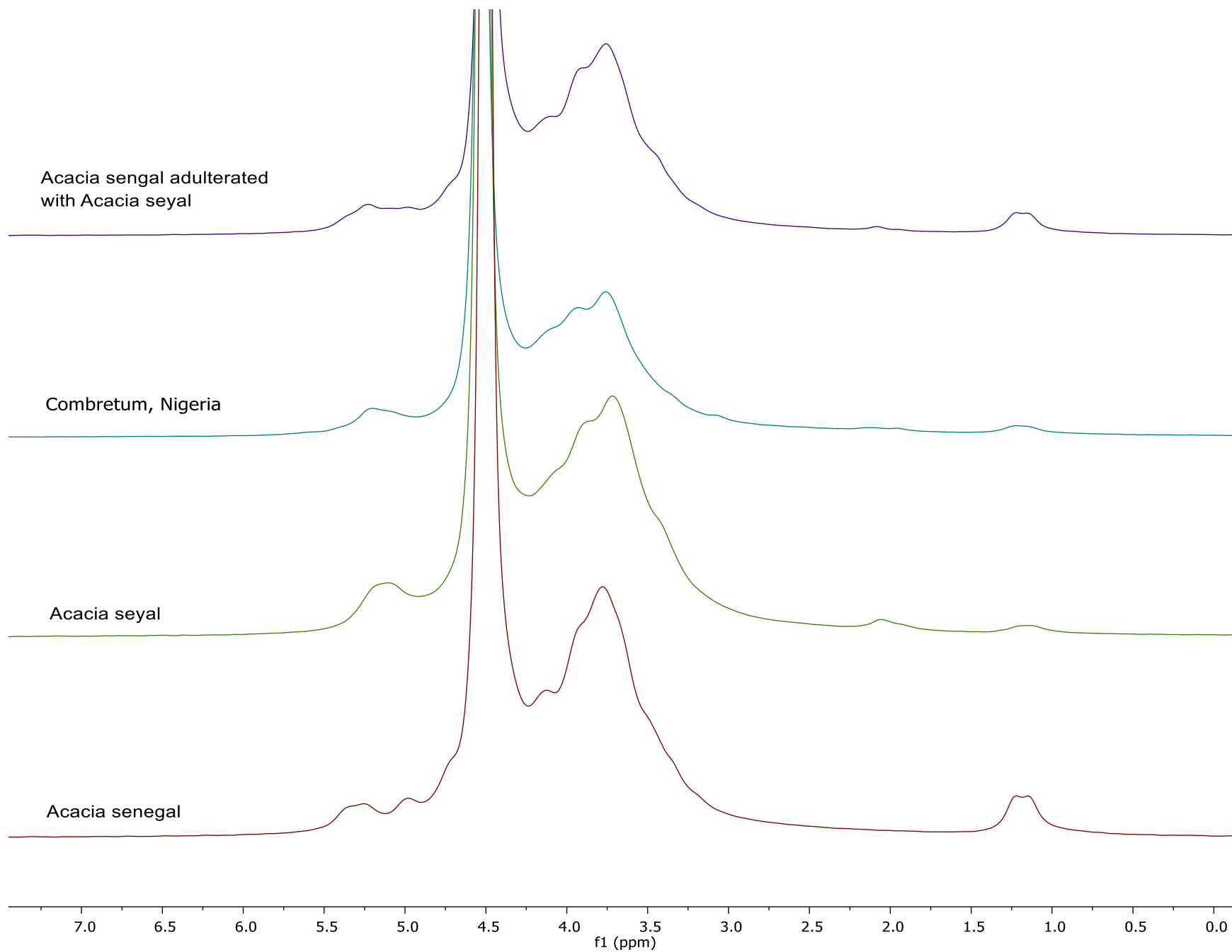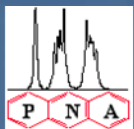
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