

# Therapeutic Potential of (–)-Agelamide D, a Diterpene Alkaloid from the Marine Sponge *Agelas* sp., as a Natural Radiosensitizer in Hepatocellular Carcinoma Models

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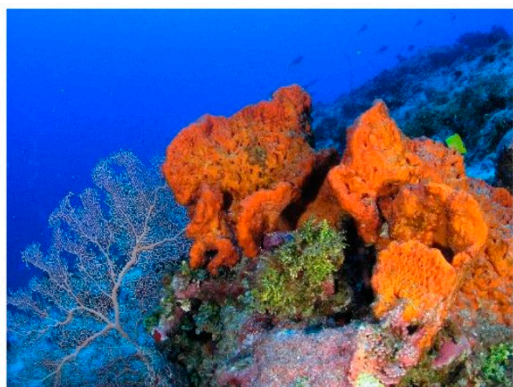
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**Table S1.** Serum biochemical parameters in two groups of mice that received radiation therapy (RT) or RT plus (–)-agelamide

Parameters	Unit	RT	RT plus (–)-agelamide
Aspartate transaminase	U/L	81.0 ± 26.3	81.3 ± 7.1
Alanine transaminase	U/L	28.7 ± 2.1	26.0 ± 4.4
Alkaline phosphatase	U/L	99.3 ± 20.2	91.0 ± 11.5
Total protein	g/dL	4.8 ± 0.5	4.9 ± 0.2
Albumin	g/dL	2.6 ± 0.3	2.7 ± 0.2
Total bilirubin	mg/dL	0.1	0.1
Blood urea nitrogen	mg/dL	22.2 ± 4.0	25.6 ± 1.8
Creatine	mg/dL	0.5 ± 0.1	0.5
Glucose	mg/dL	247.7 ± 74.7	224.7 ± 64.1
Cholesterol	mg/dL	69.0 ± 3.6	74.7 ± 7.6
Triglyceride	mg/dL	65.0 ± 4.6	70.3 ± 14.6
Phosphorus	U/L	7.4 ± 1.6	5.6 ± 1.0
Ca <sup>2+</sup>	mg/dl	8.8 ± 0.7	8.5 ± 0.3
Creatine phosphokinaset†	U/L	232.1 ± 69.0	485.4 ± 147.3
A/G ratio		1.2 ± 0.2	1.3 ± 0.3

†Statistically not significant

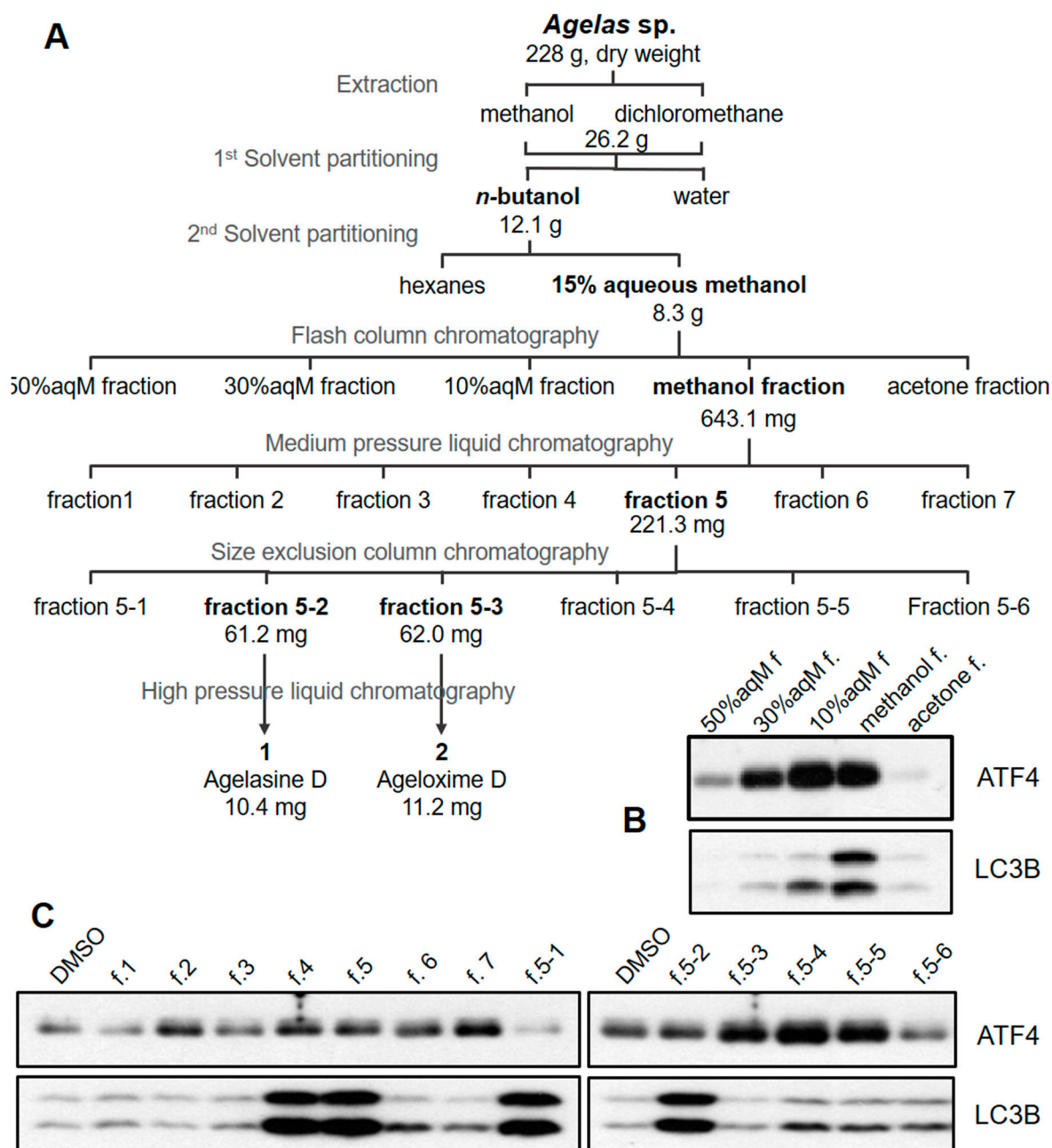


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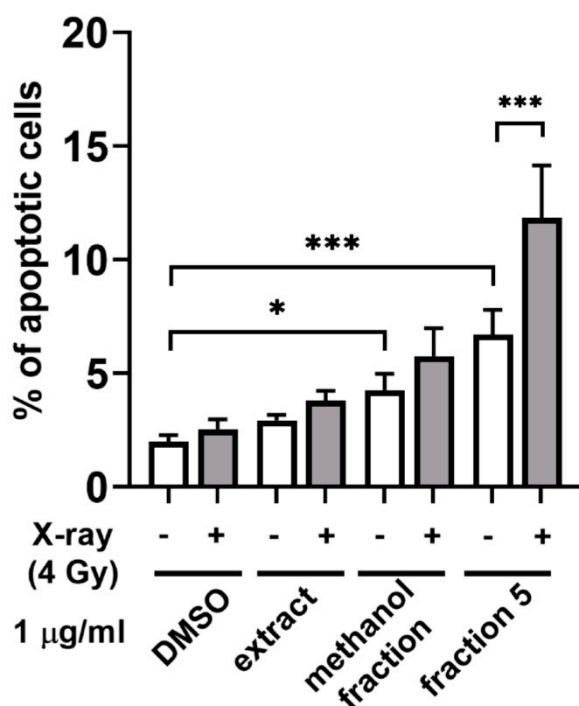


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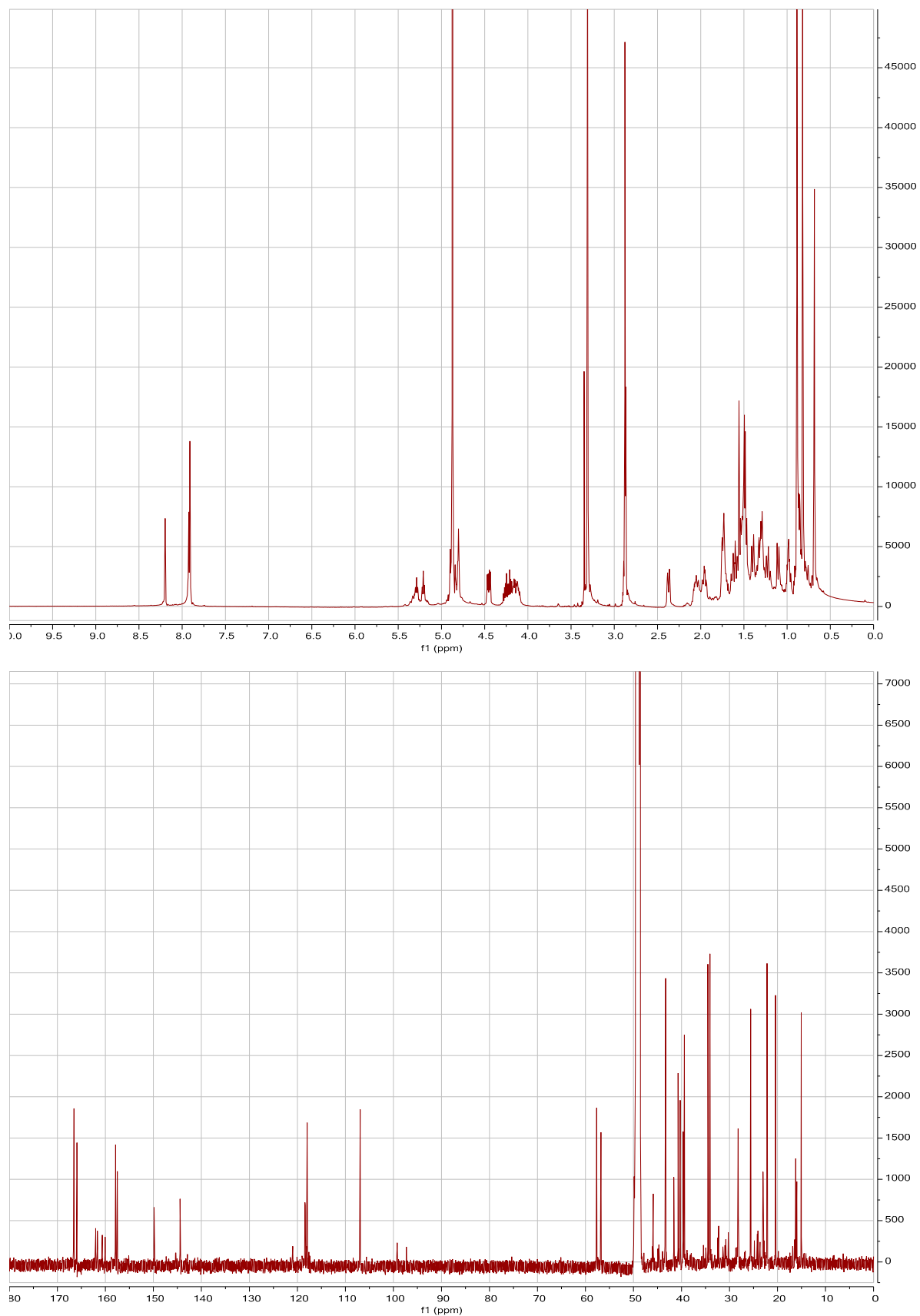
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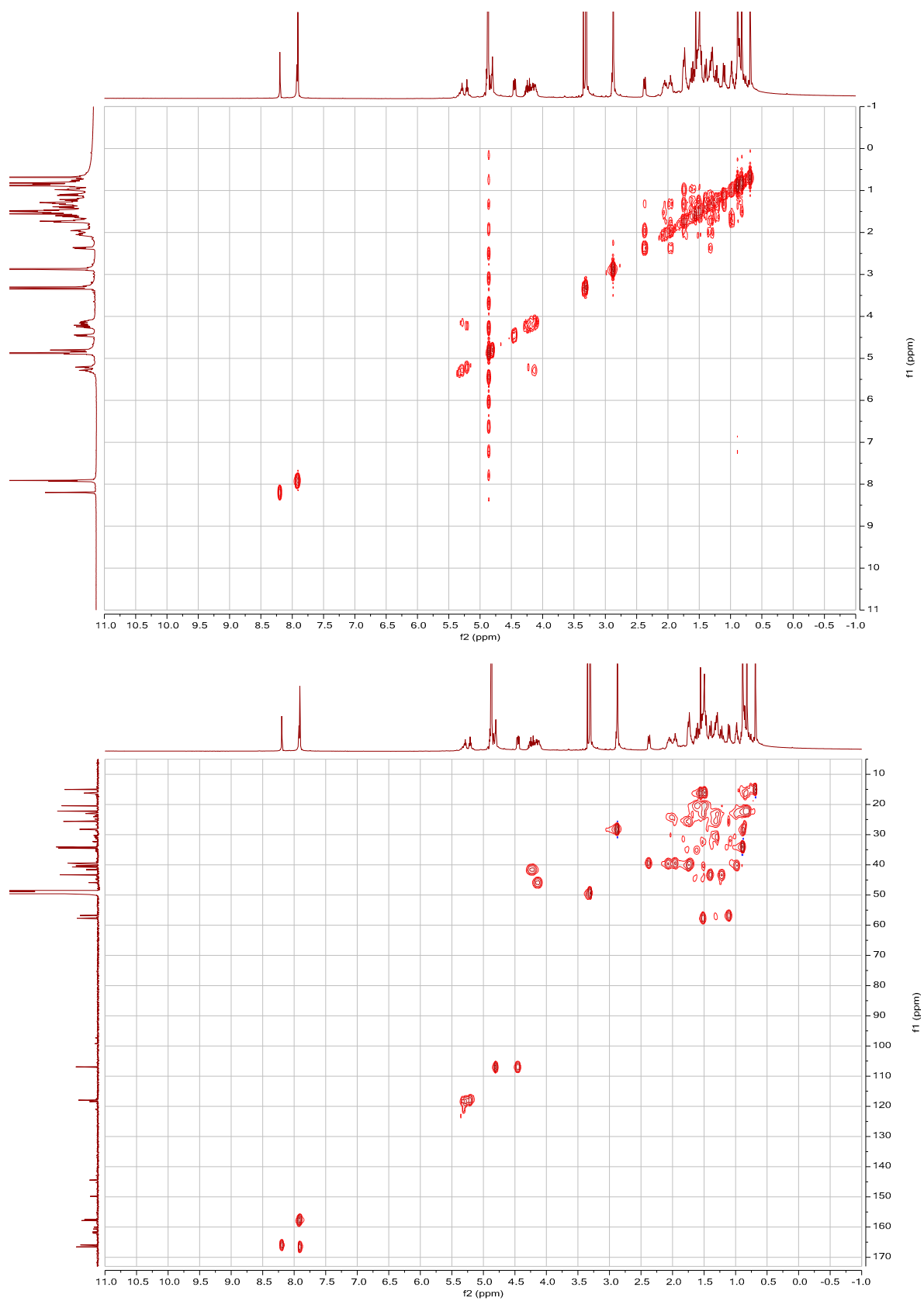
**Figure S2.** Bioassay-guided isolation of compounds 1 and 2 from *Agelas* sp. **A**, Extraction and isolation scheme for compounds 1 and 2 from *Agelas* sp. **B**, Levels of ATF4 and LC3B induced by the fractions obtained through flash column chromatography. **C**, Levels of ATF4 and LC3B induced by the fractions obtained through medium pressure liquid chromatography (MPLC) (fractions 1–7) and size exclusion column chromatography (fractions 5.1–5.6).



**Figure S3.** Enhancement of apoptosis by combined treatment with fractions from *Agelas* extract and radiation. Hep3B cells were pre-treated with the same amount (1 µg/mL) of the samples from each purification step for 3 h, followed by irradiation with 4 Gy of X-rays. After 48 h, the samples were collected, and the apoptotic cell population was analyzed through flow cytometry with Annexin V/propidium iodide co-staining. Data are mean ± standard deviation (SD) from two independent experiments ( $n = 6$ ). \*  $p < 0.05$ ; \*\*\*  $p < 0.001$ .



**Figure S4.**  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra (600 MHz and 150 MHz, methanol- $d_4$ ) of compound 2



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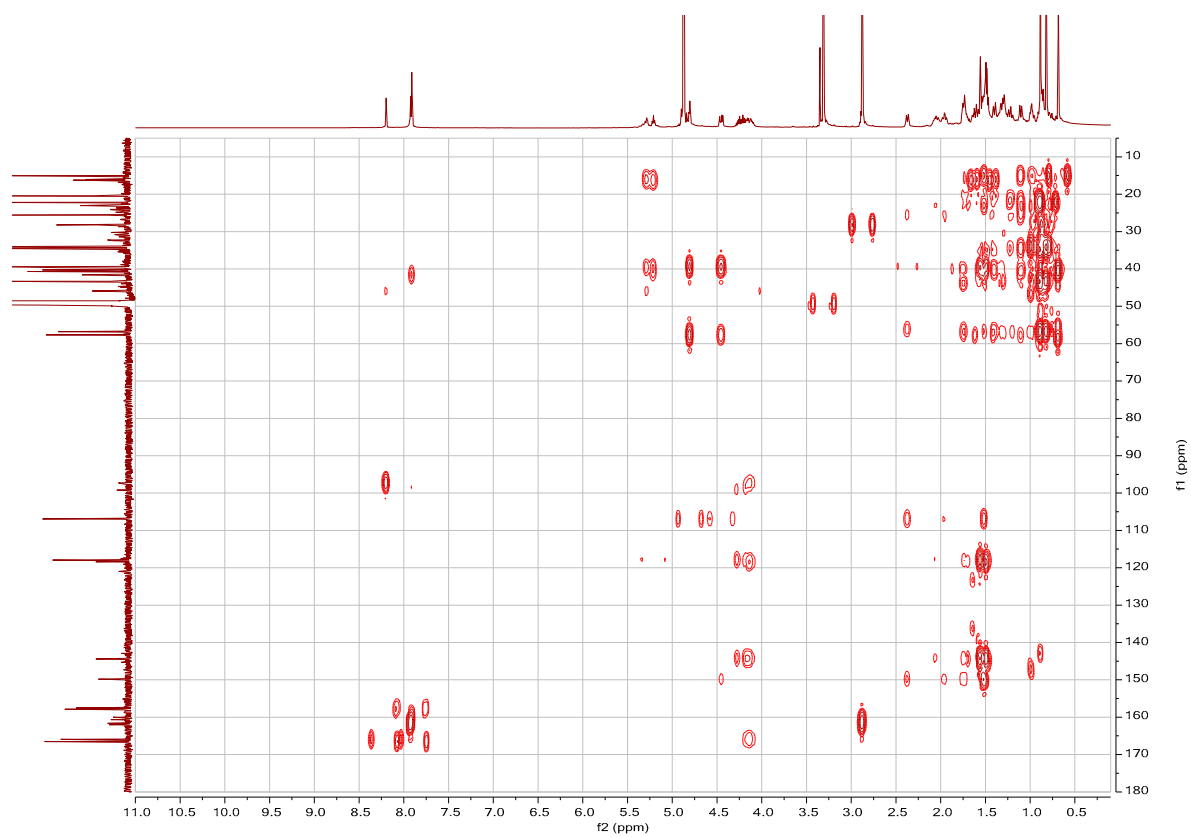


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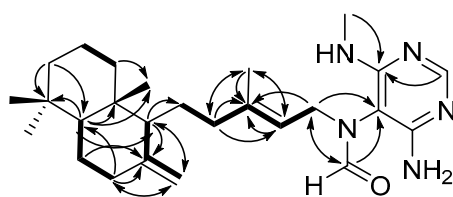


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