

## Chiral Cu(II) salen complexes catalyzed aerobic oxidative biaryl coupling-probing the reaction by EPR

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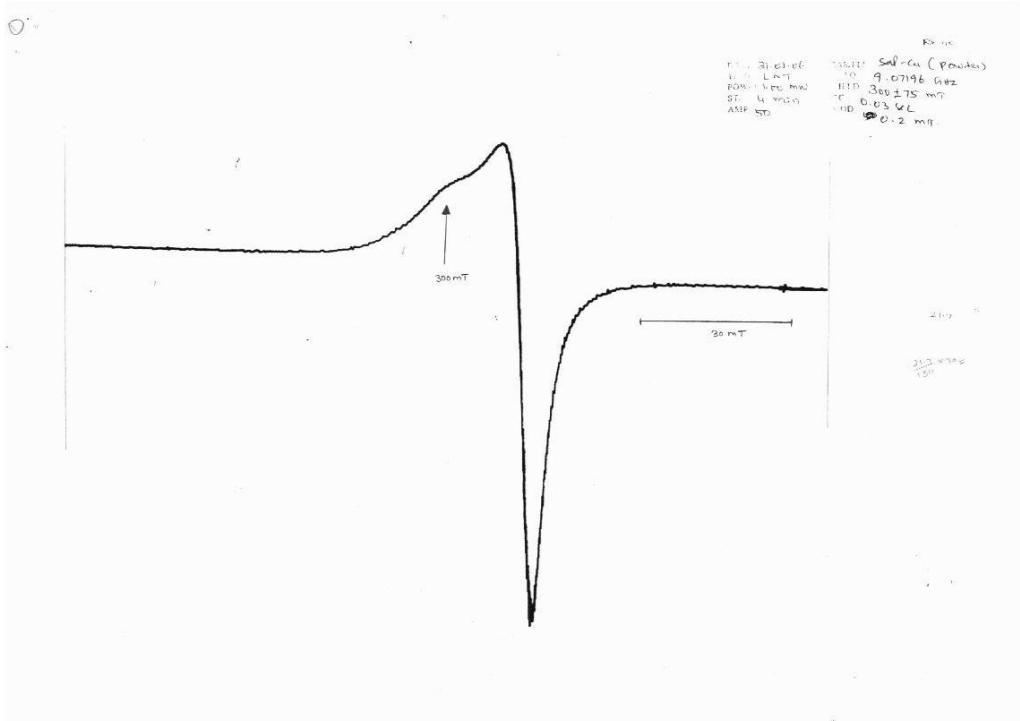
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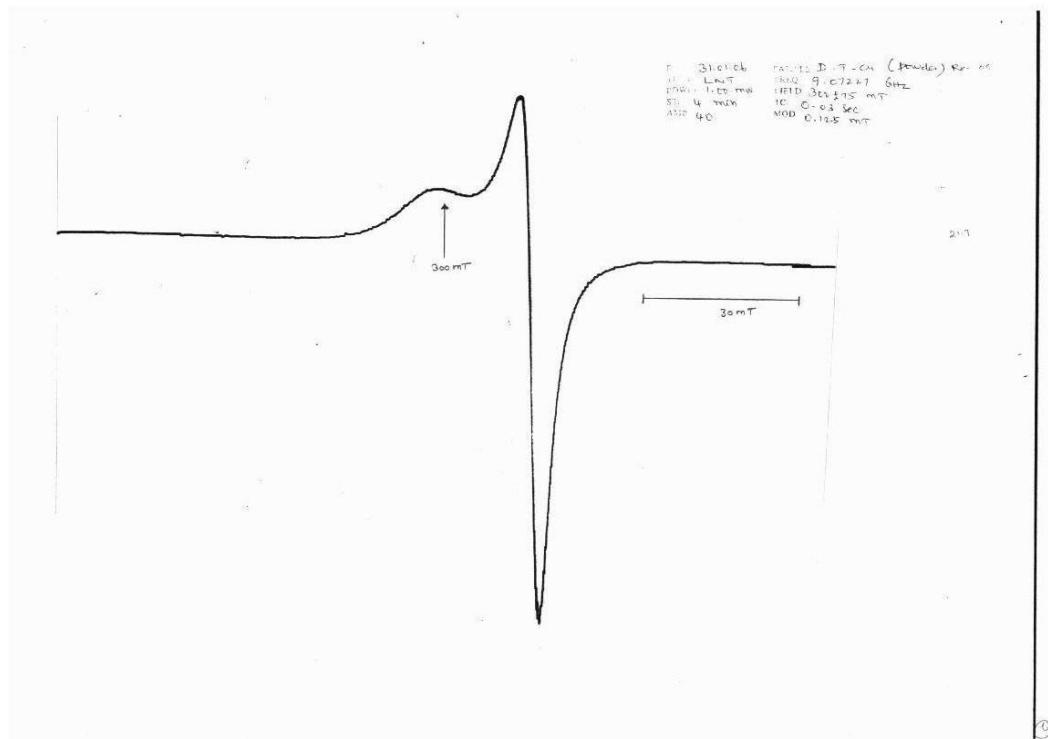
### ABSTRACT

Aerobic oxidative coupling of 2-naphthol to 1,1'-binaphthyl-2,2'-diol has been achieved using chiral/achiral copper salen complexes as catalyst. Moderate enantioselectivity was obtained for the reaction of 2-naphthol with a coordinating substituent with a chiral salen complex. Unsubstituted 2-naphthol resulted in racemic 1,1'-binaphthyl-2,2'-diol only with all chiral complexes. Electron paramagnetic resonance spectroscopy has been used to understand the factors influencing the asymmetric induction.

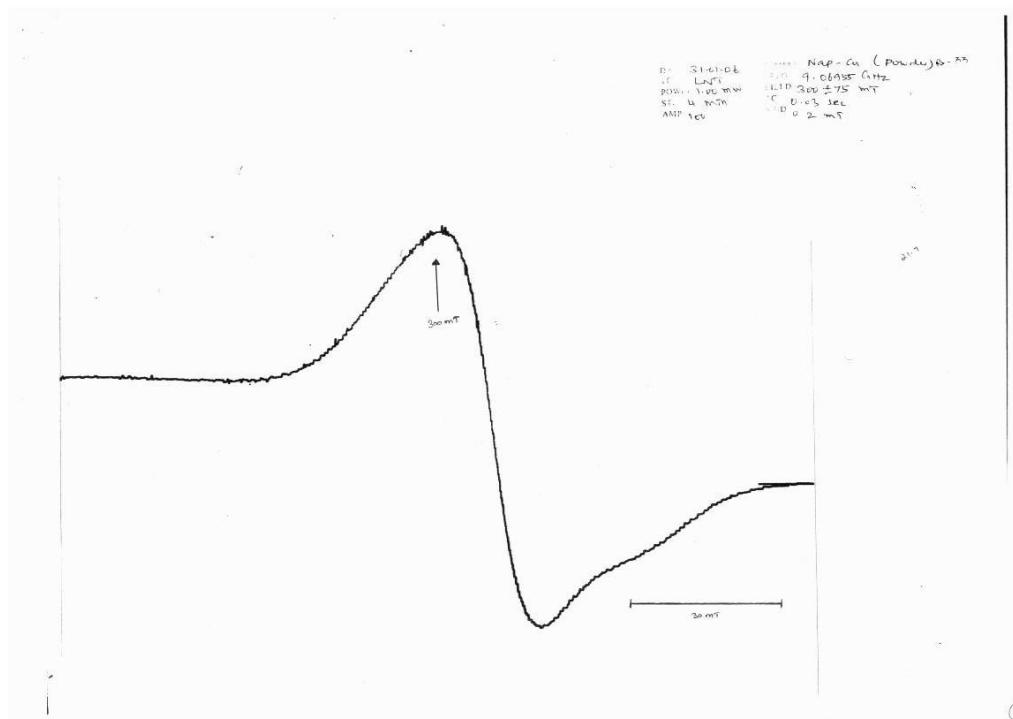
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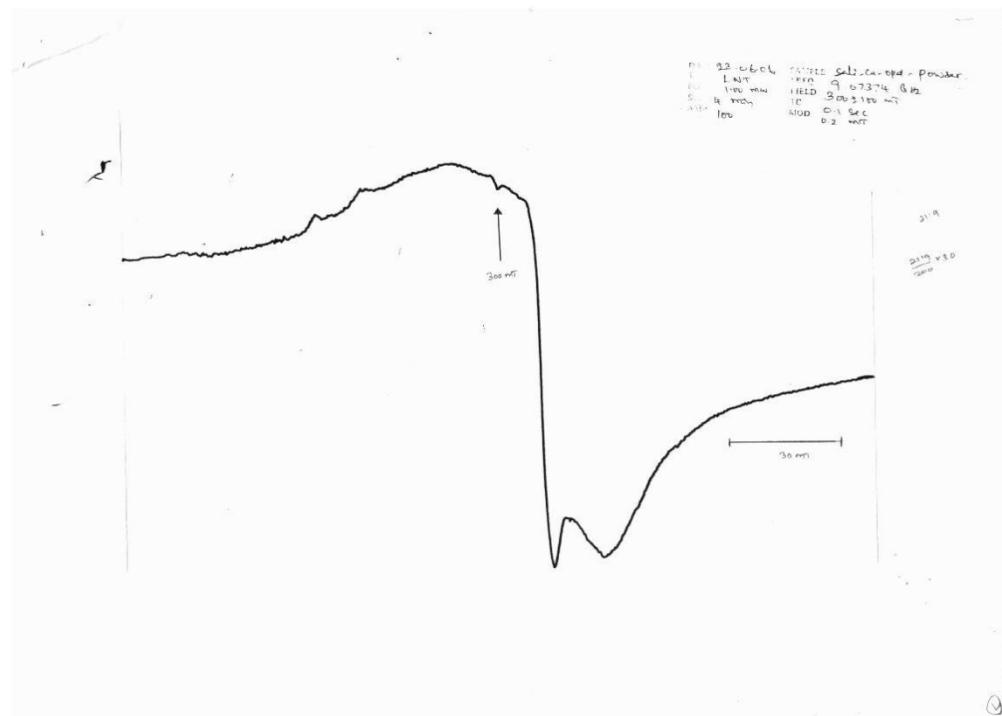


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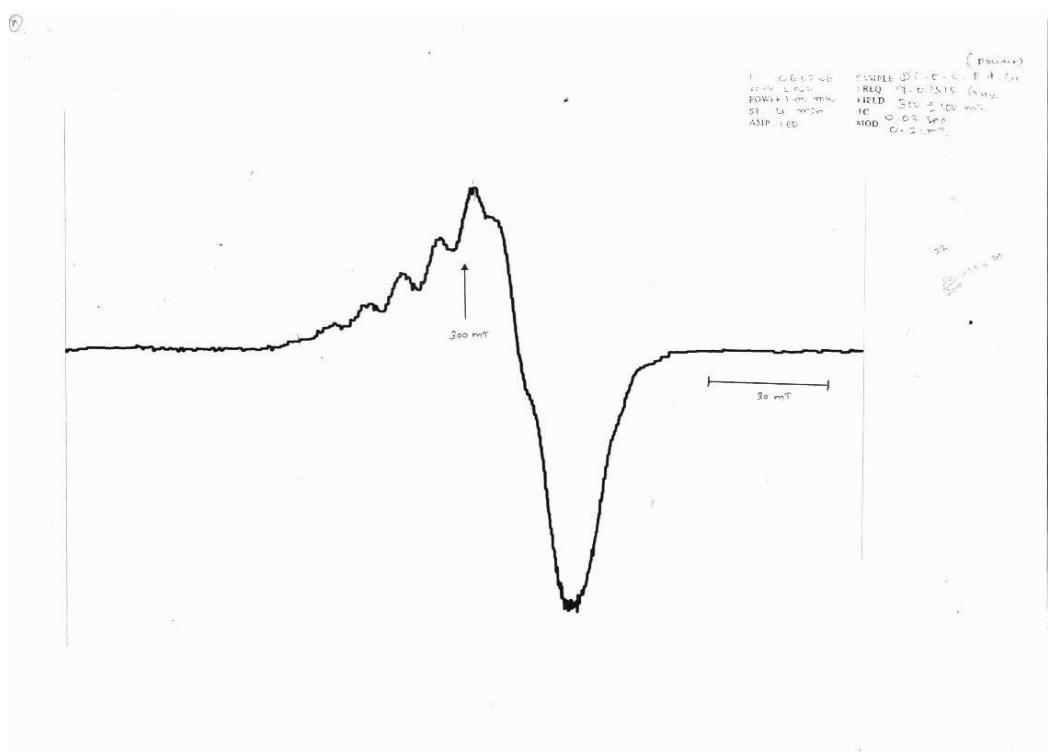


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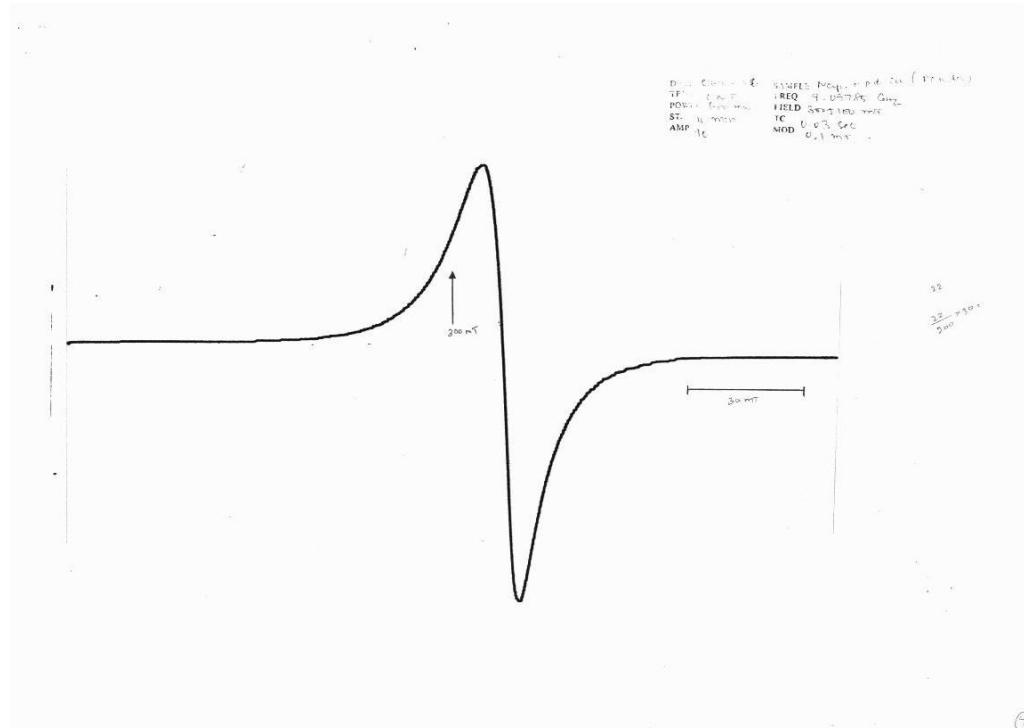
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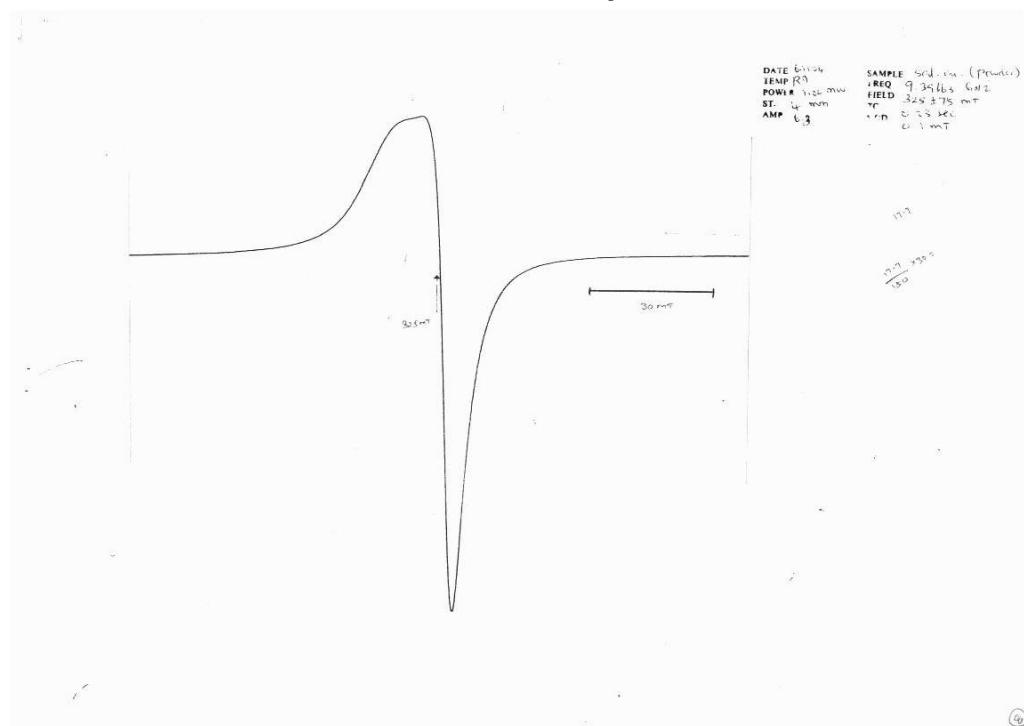
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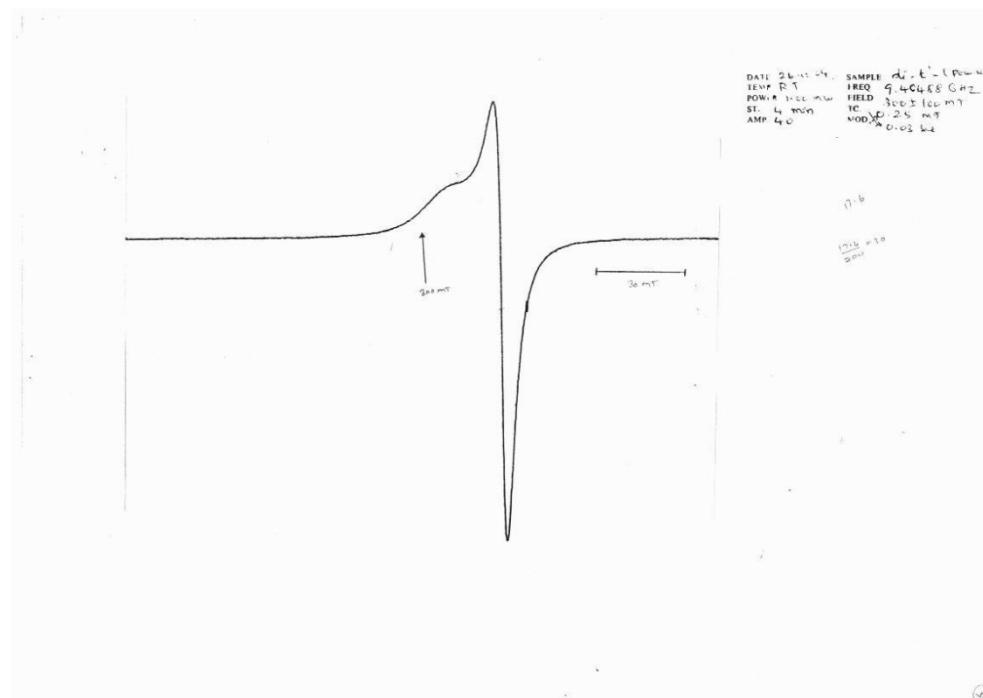
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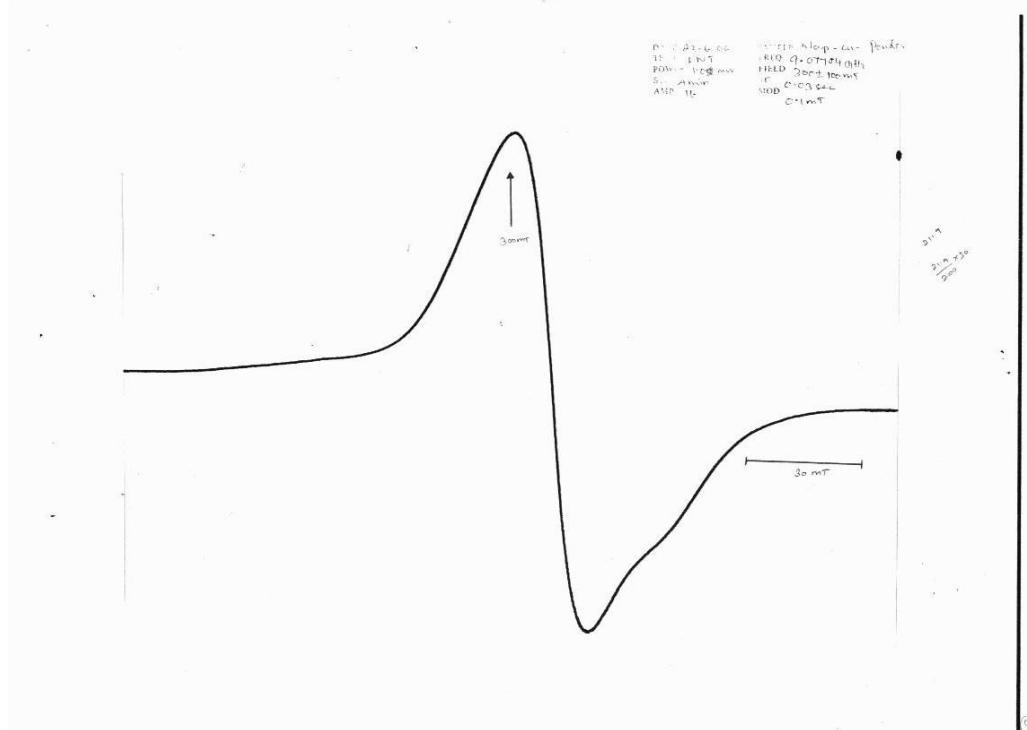
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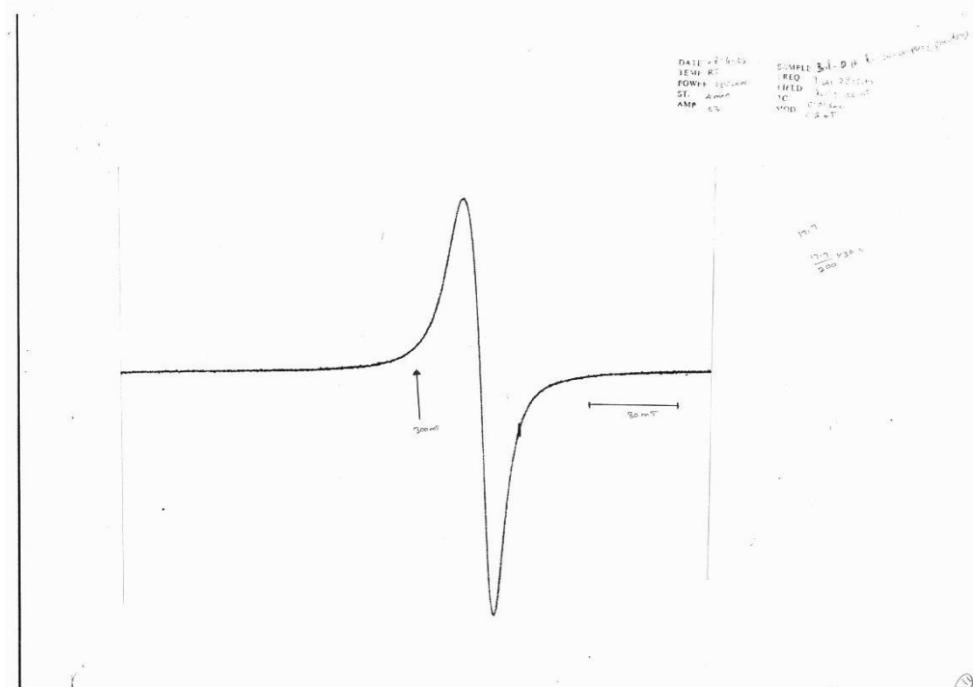
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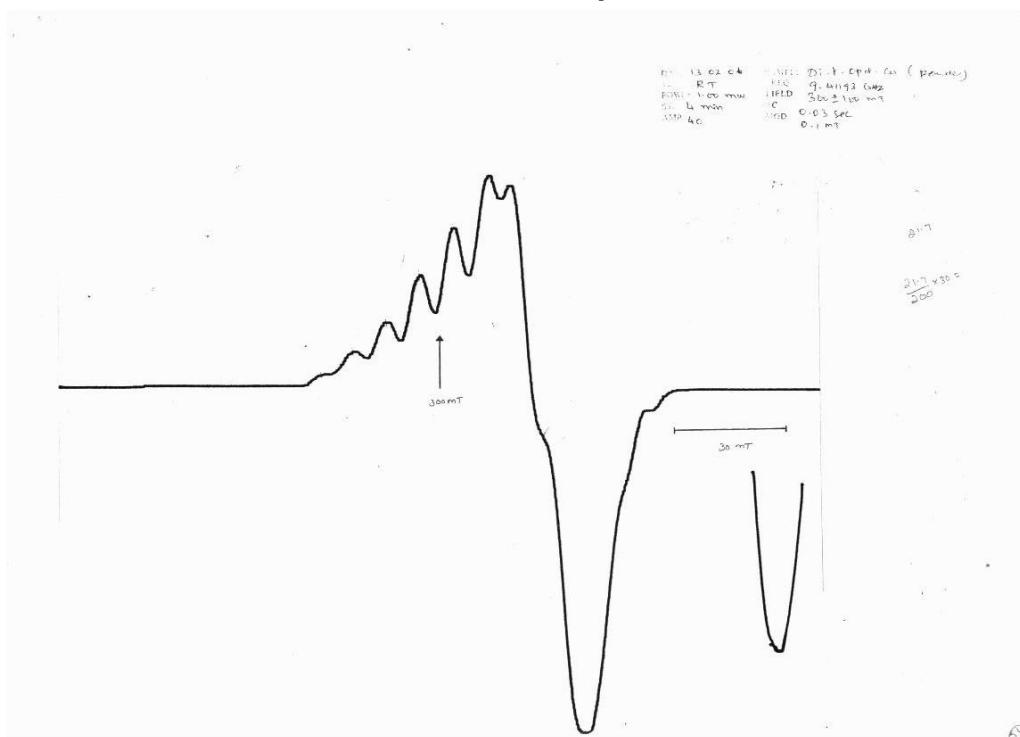
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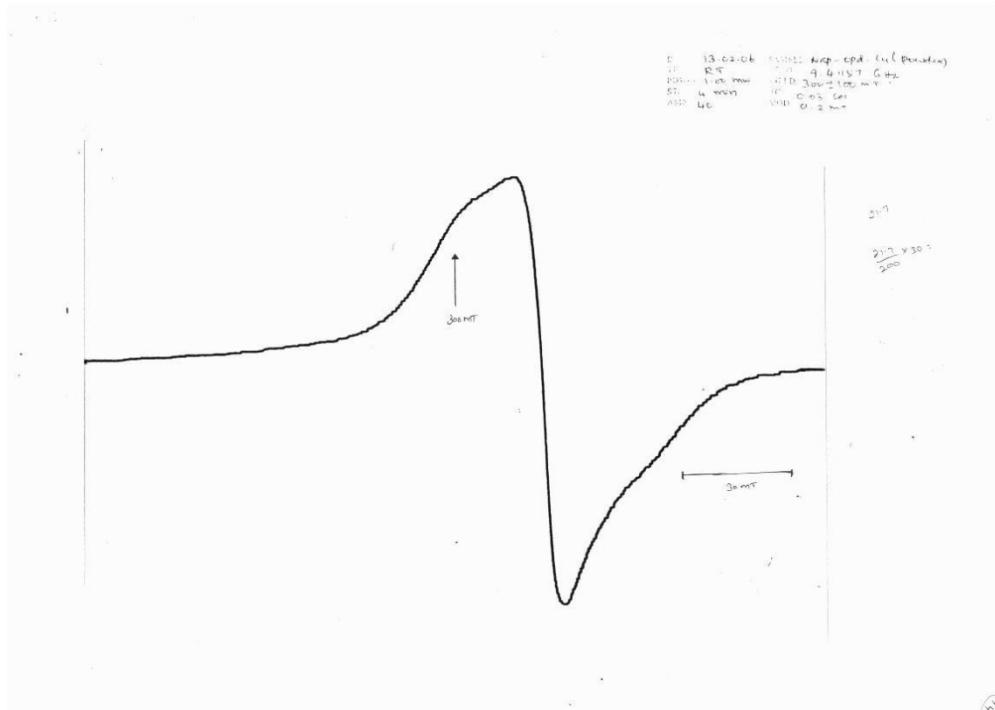
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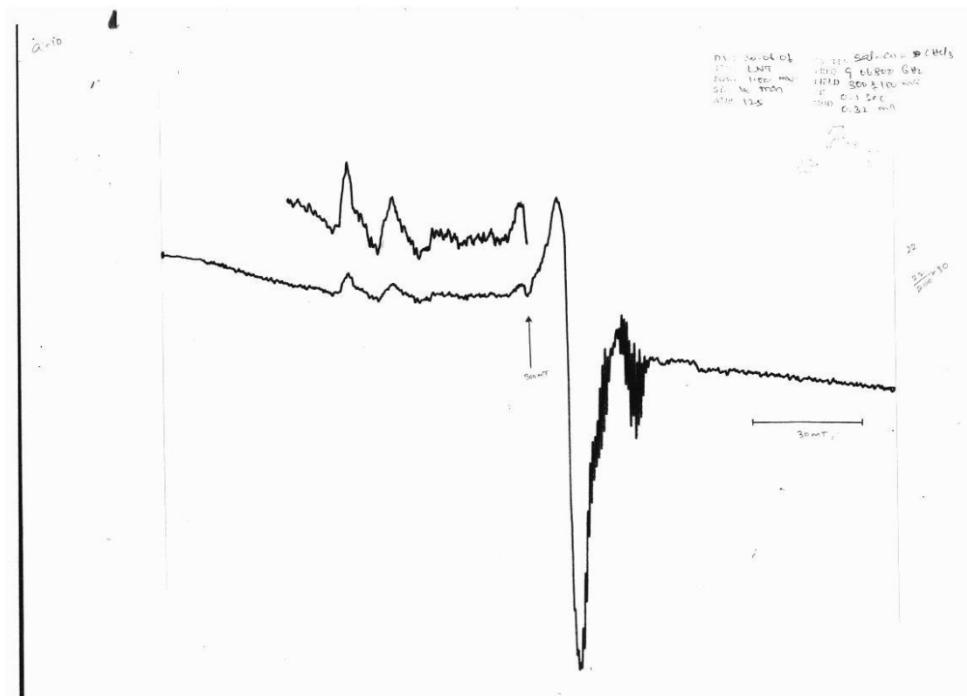
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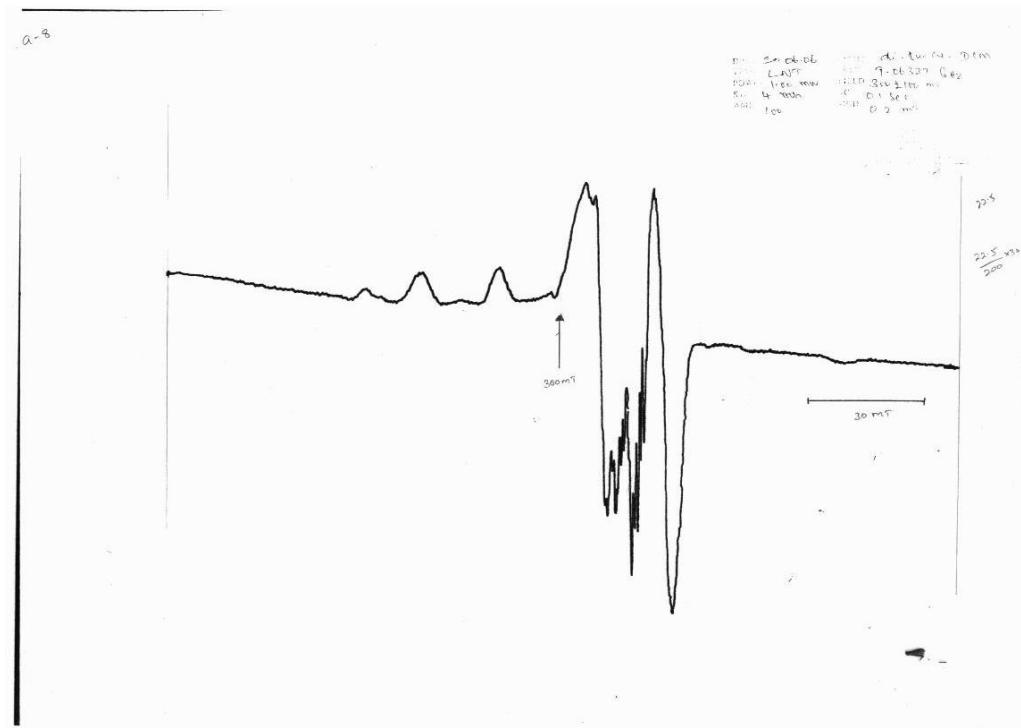
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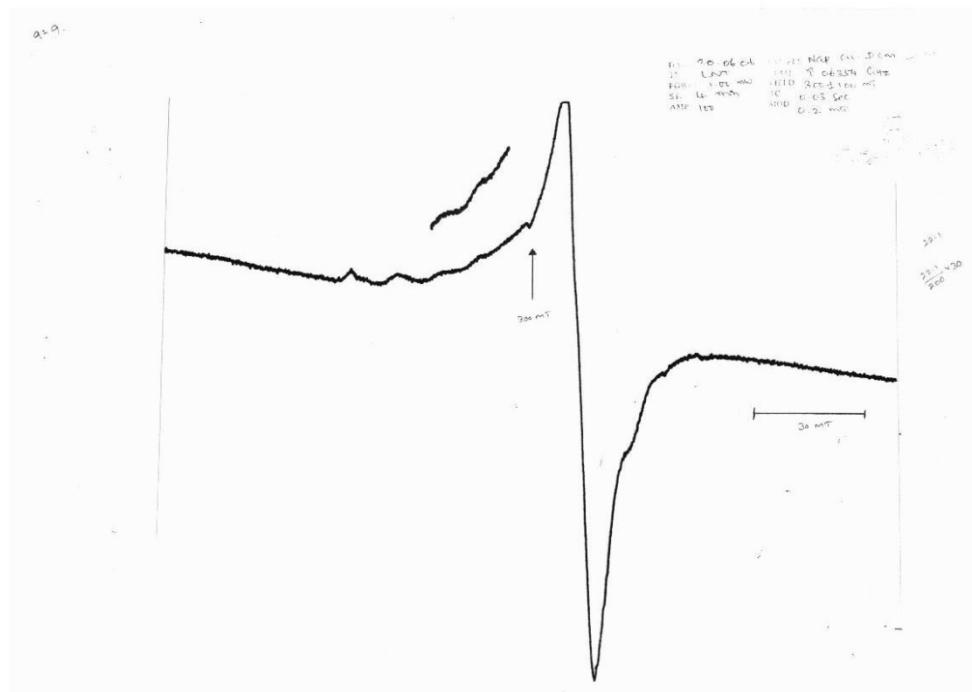
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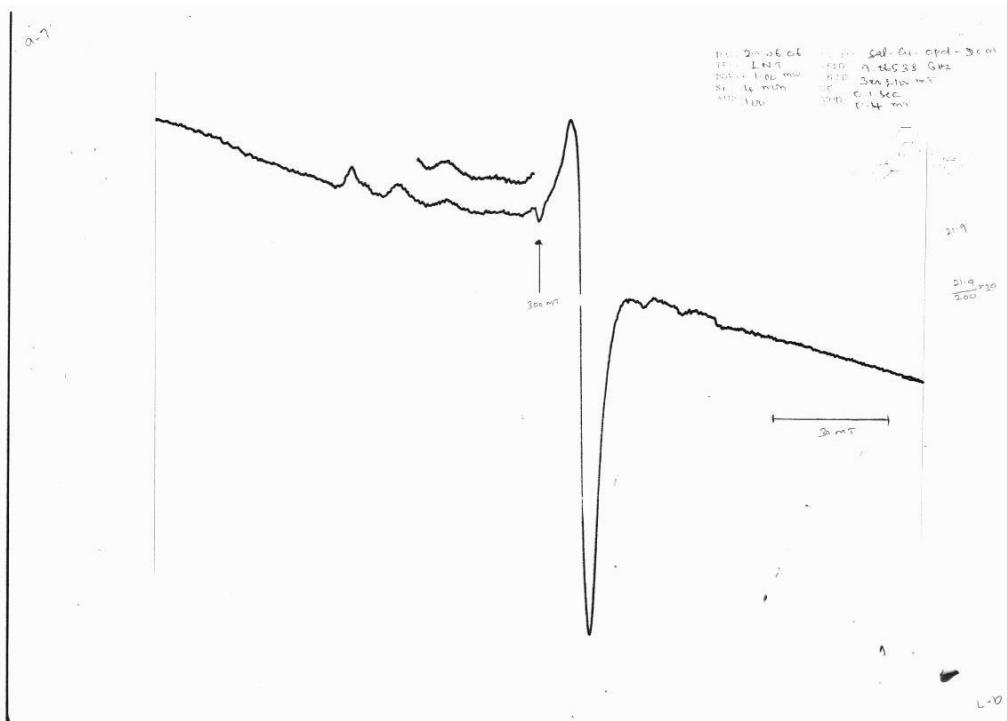
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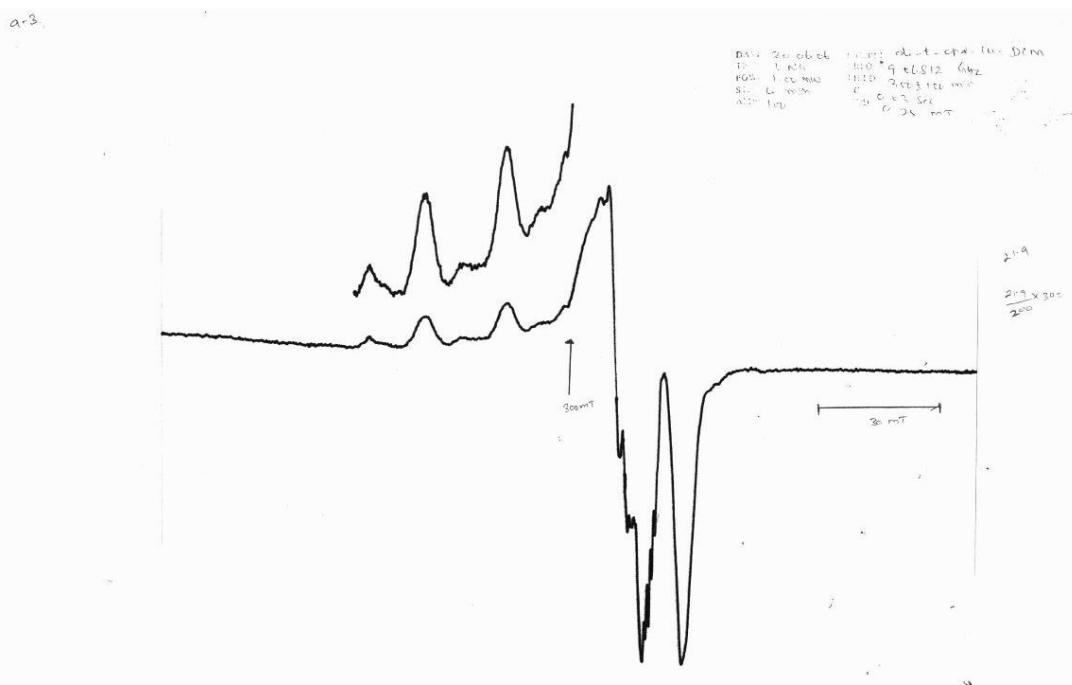
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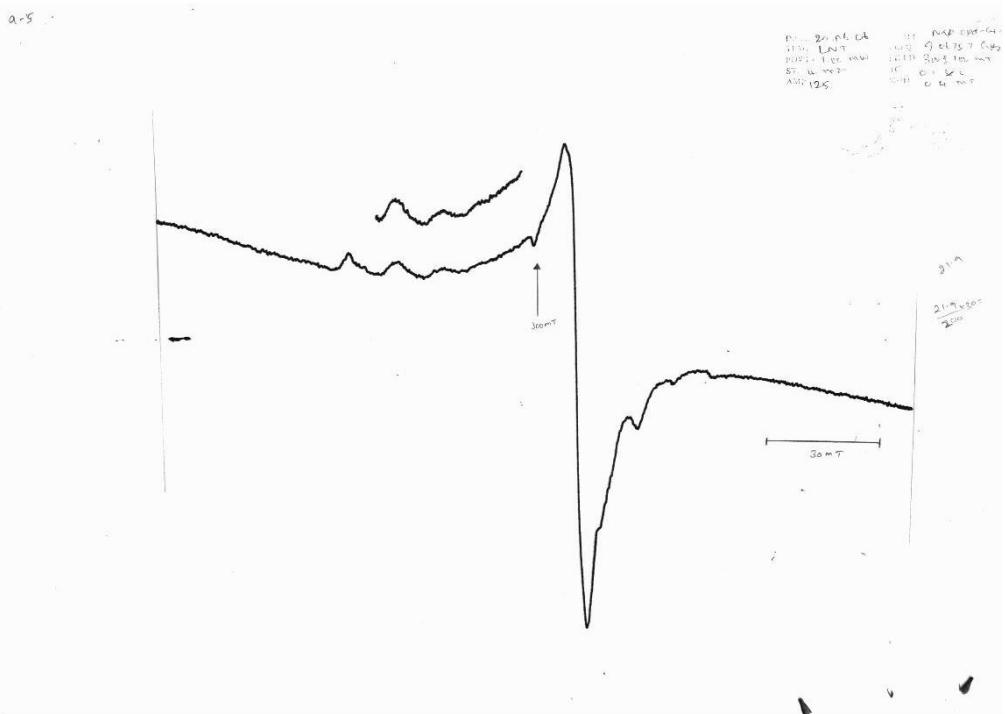
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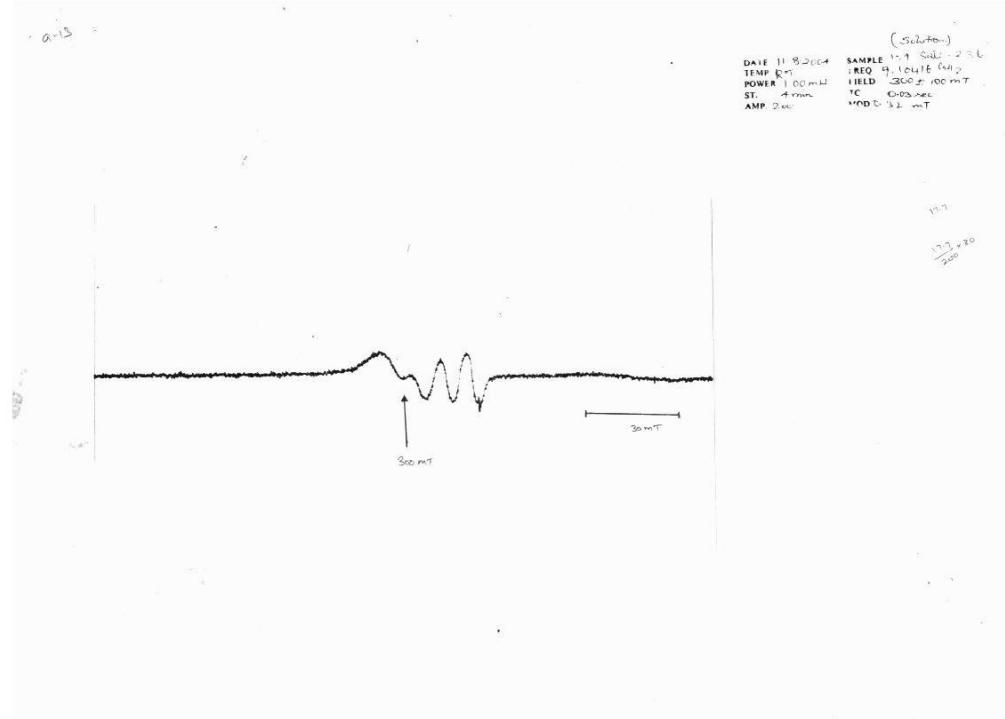
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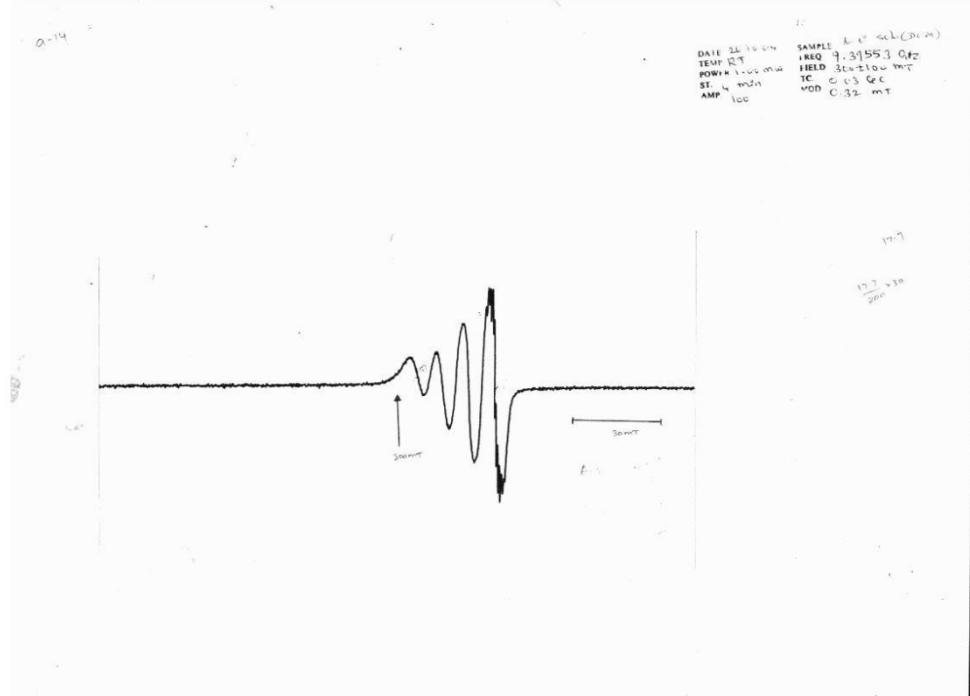
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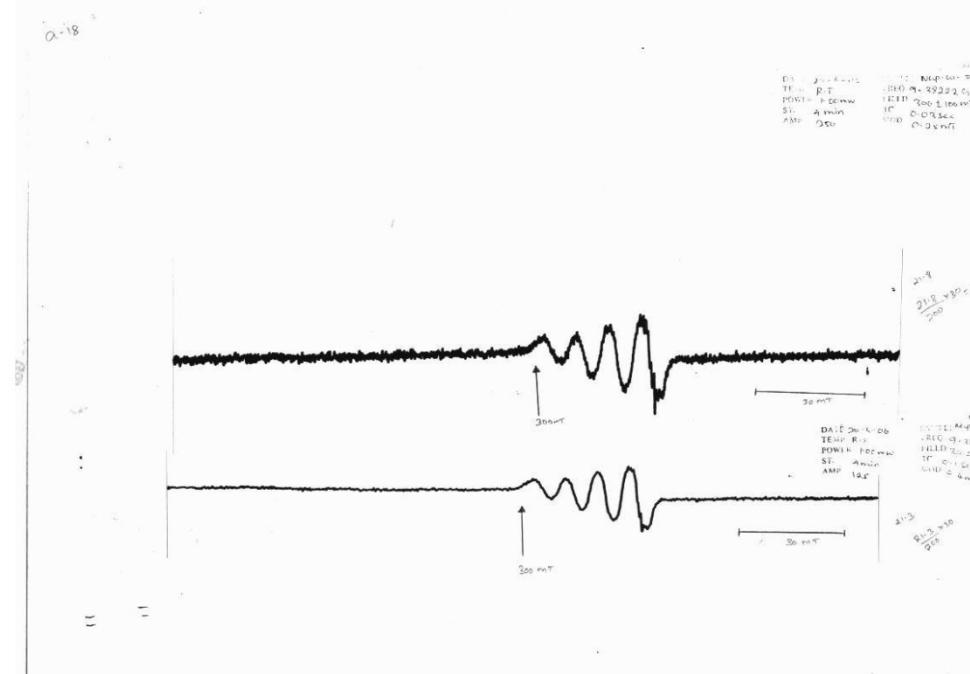
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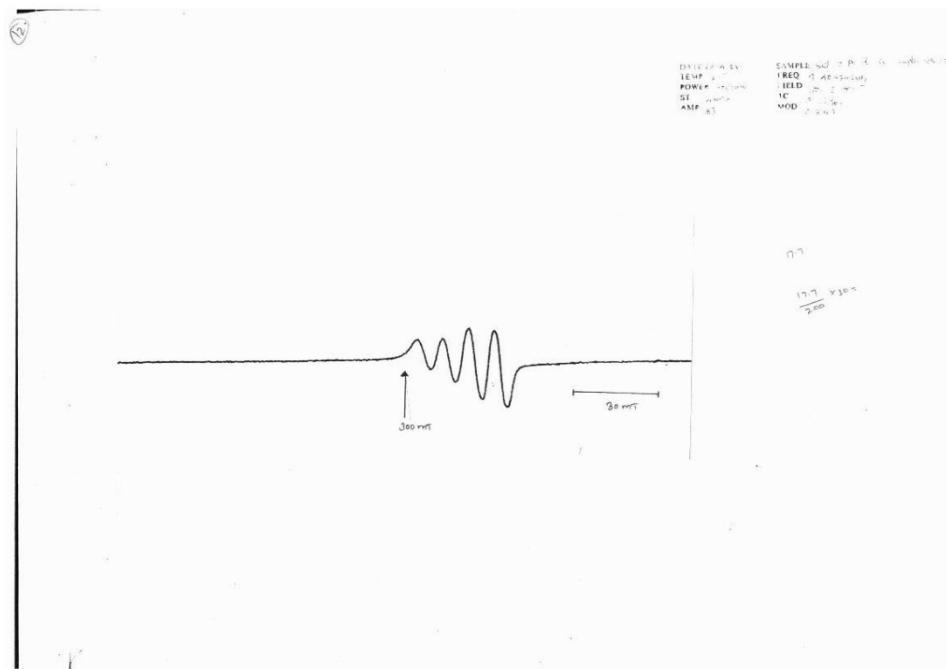
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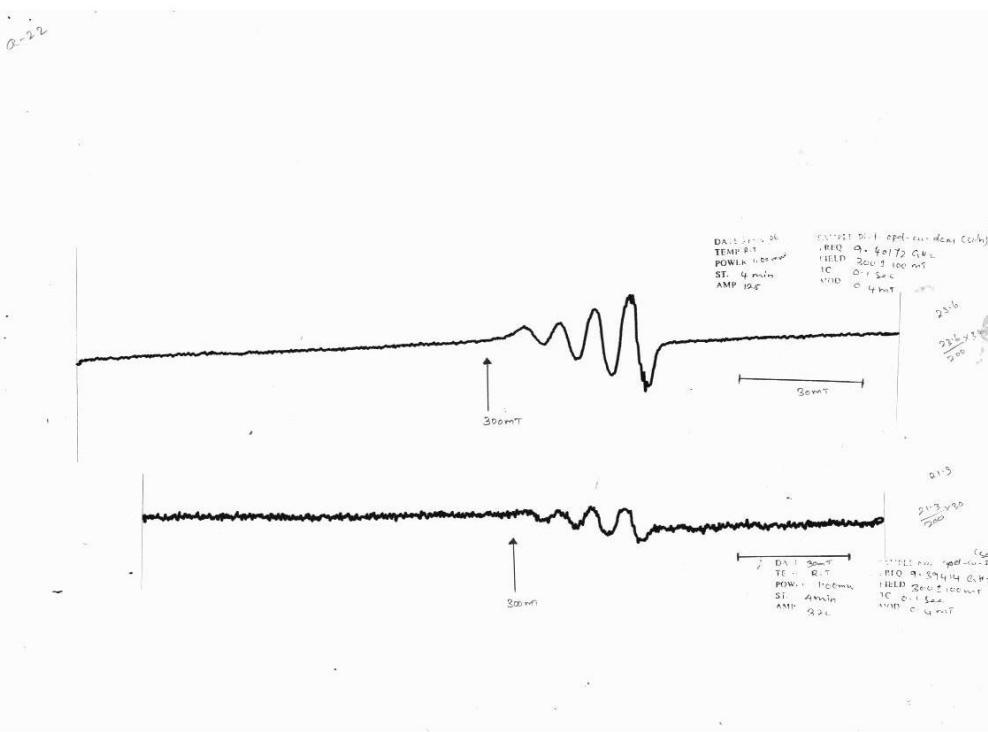
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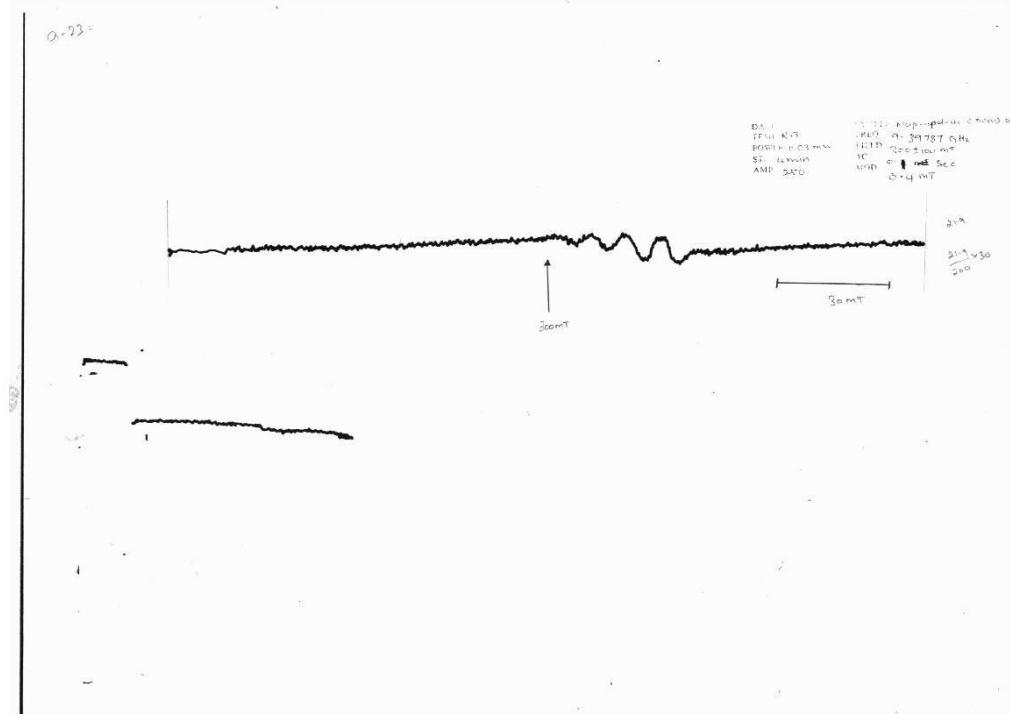
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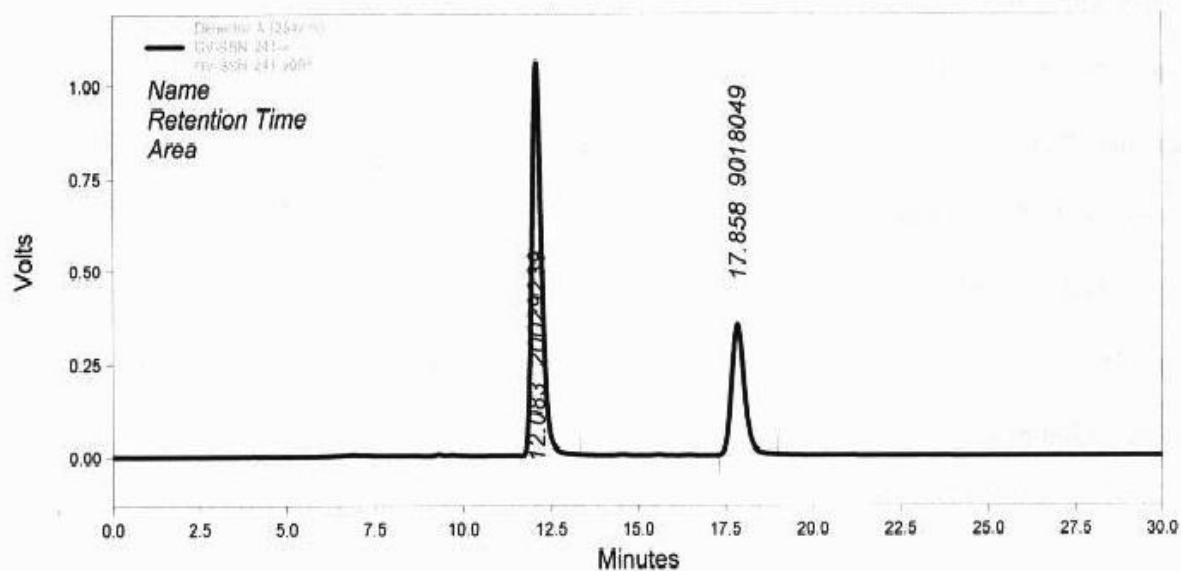
Solution EPR at RT complex 4



Solution EPR at RT complex 5



Solution EPR at RT complex 6

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Chiral HPLC of 3, 3'-Bismethoxycarbonyl-1, 1'-naphthyl-2,2'-diol (**D**) from the coupling of (**B**) catalyzed by Complex **1**