

# Vivat Prodigy ?



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# 500 & 400 MHz nitrogen cooled cryoprobes



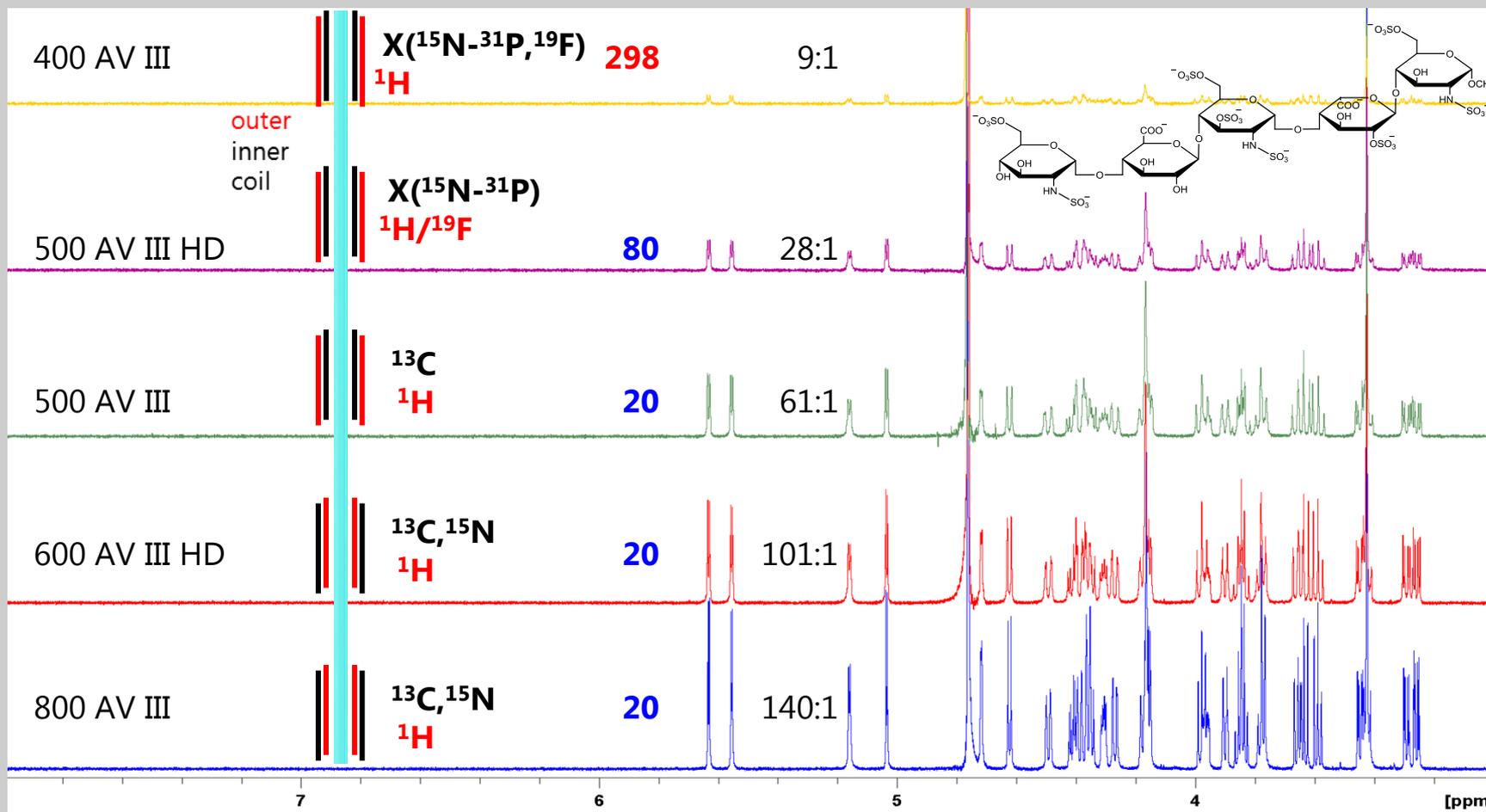
- 500 installed in Dec 2013
- used from Jan 2014
- 400 installed in May 2014
- 5 mm Multinuclear observe
- H&F&D outer coil
- VT 0-135 deg C
- Auto tune/match
- 400 fitted with Cryofit –  
flow cell equipment





# $^1\text{H}$ sensitivity

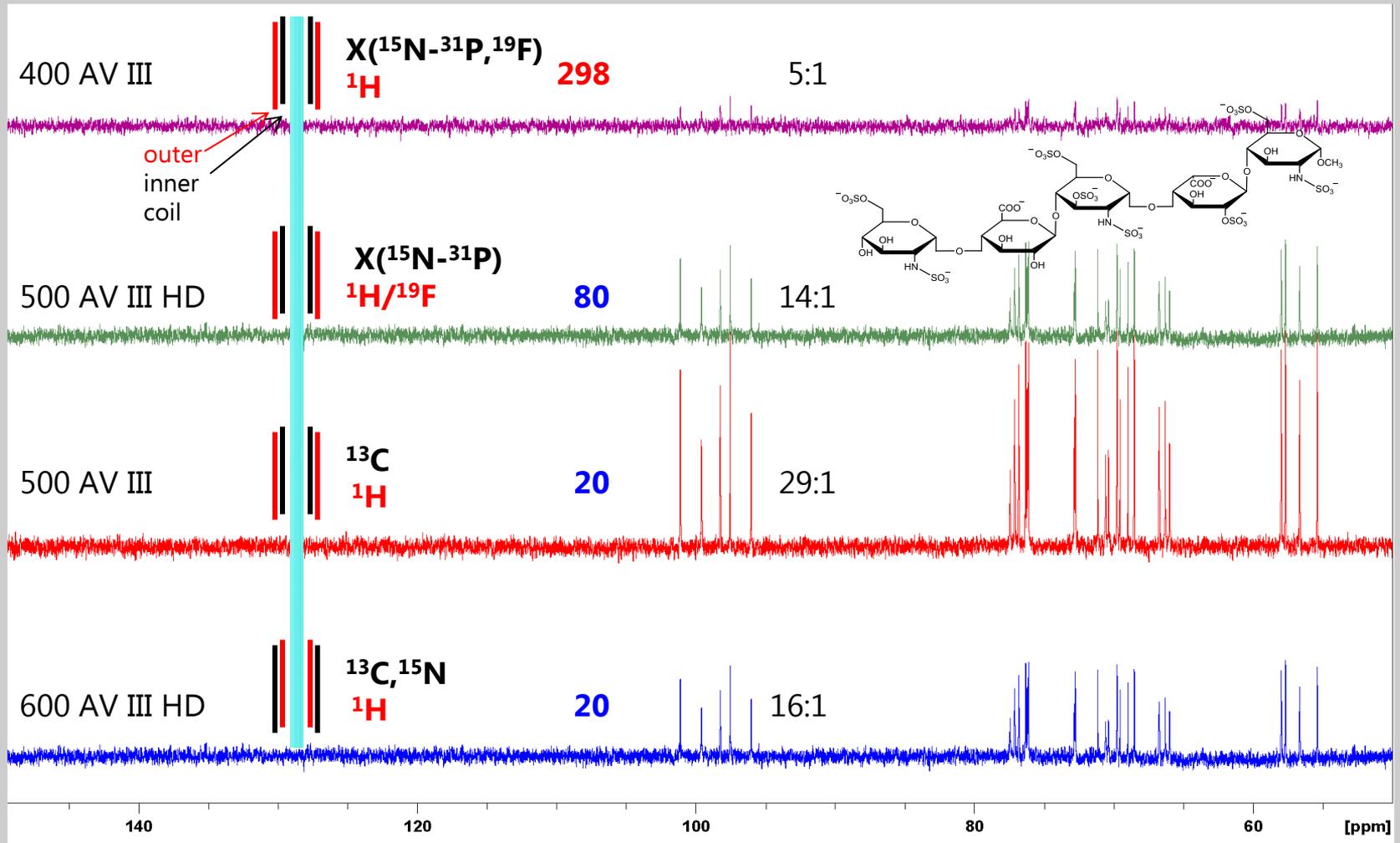
$^1\text{H}$  frequency /MHz    Probe geometry    Coil temp /K    Signal-to-noise (NS = 1, anomeric)    1.4 mg of Fondaparinux,  $M_w=1726.77$  g/mol (1.5 mM)





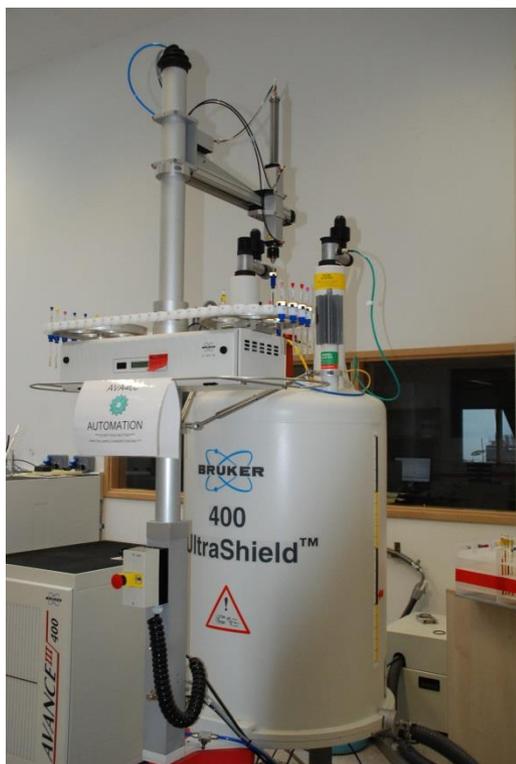
# $^{13}\text{C}$ sensitivity

$^1\text{H}$ frequency /MHz	Probe geometry	Coil temp /K	Signal-to-noise (NS=128 anomeric)	14 mg of Fondaparinux, $M_w=1726.77$ g/mol (15 mM)
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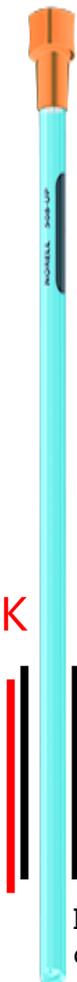


# $^{19}\text{F}$ sensitivity

Ava400 (BBFO+)  
**275:1** (X coil)



298 K



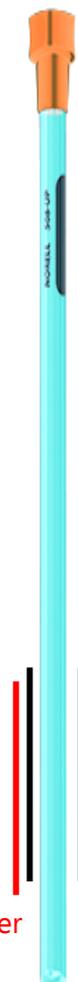
X( $^{19}\text{F}$ )  
 $^1\text{H}$

Inner/outer  
coil

Pro500 (Prodigy)  
**1200:1** ( $^1\text{H}/^{19}\text{F}$  coil)



80 K



X  
 $^{19}\text{F}/^1\text{H}$

Inner/outer  
coil

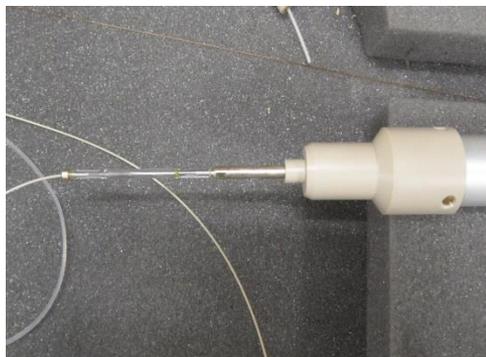
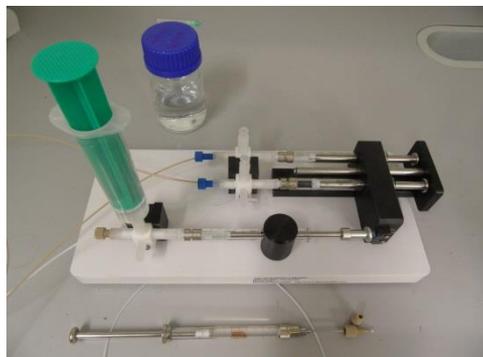
# Primary interests / Applications



- 500 MHz – Departmental Service
- Predominantly for  $^1\text{H}$  and X nuclei (other than  $^{13}\text{C}$ ) for structure characterisation - mostly in automation
- $^{19}\text{F}$  - background suppression, COSY, NOESY, DOSY
- $^{19}\text{F}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$  correlations: HSQC, HMBC (conventional and NUS speedy & highres versions)
- $^{31}\text{P}$  –  $^{31}\text{P}$ - $^1\text{H}$  &  $^1\text{H}$ - $\{^{31}\text{P}\}$ , 2D HMBC (& NUS versions)
- $^{29}\text{Si}$  – background supp. INEPT/DEPT, 2D HMBC
- $^{11}\text{B}$  - background supp.  $^1\text{H}$ - $\{^{11}\text{B}\}$ , HMQC (NUS ver.)
- $^{10}\text{B}$  – antiring sequence
- $^7\text{Li}$ ,  $^{59}\text{Co}$ ,

# Primary interests / Applications

- 400 MHz – Prof Guy Lloyd-Jones group
- $^1\text{H}/^{19}\text{F}$  & X nuclei  
and reactions monitoring
- The same set up for all nuclei  
as on Departmental 500
- Cryofit – flow cell equipment



# NMR active nuclei

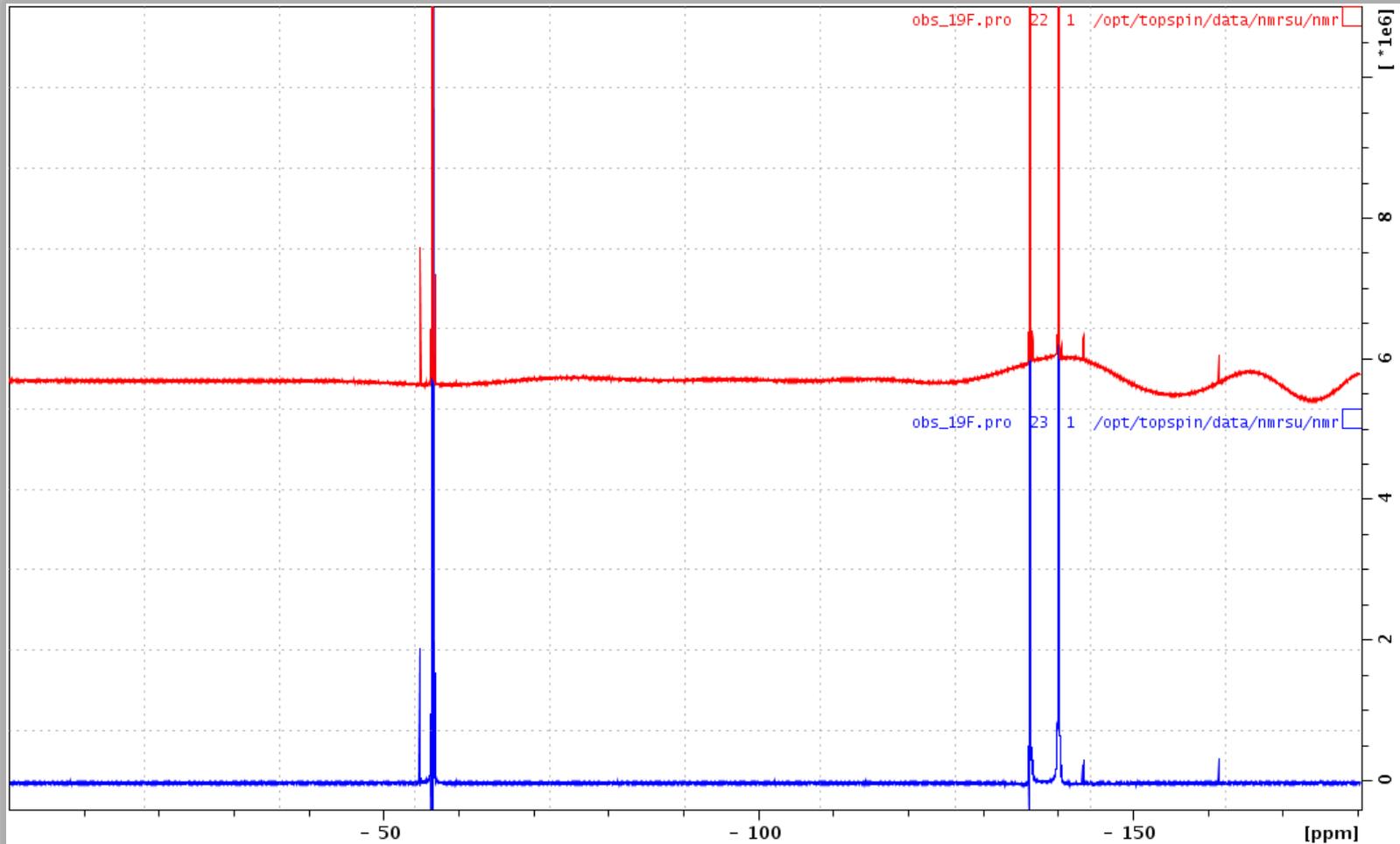
Periodic Table of the Elements

<b>H</b>																		<b>He</b>
<b>Li</b>	<b>Be</b>											<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>O</b>		<b>F</b>	<b>Ne</b>
<b>Na</b>	<b>Mg</b>											<b>Al</b>	<b>Si</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>S</b>		<b>Cl</b>	<b>Ar</b>
<b>K</b>	<b>Ca</b>	<b>Sc</b>	<b>Ti</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>Cr</b>	<b>Mn</b>	<b>Fe</b>	<b>Co</b>	<b>Ni</b>	<b>Cu</b>	<b>Zn</b>	<b>Ga</b>	<b>Ge</b>	<b>As</b>	<b>Se</b>		<b>Br</b>	<b>Kr</b>
<b>Rb</b>	<b>Sr</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Zr</b>	<b>Nb</b>	<b>Mo</b>	<b>Tc</b>	<b>Ru</b>	<b>Rh</b>	<b>Pd</b>	<b>Ag</b>	<b>Cd</b>	<b>In</b>	<b>Sn</b>	<b>Sb</b>	<b>Te</b>		<b>I</b>	<b>Xe</b>
<b>Cs</b>	<b>Ba</b>	<b>La</b>	<b>Hf</b>	<b>Ta</b>	<b>W</b>		<b>Os</b>	<b>Ir</b>	<b>Pt</b>	<b>Au</b>	<b>Hg</b>	<b>Tl</b>	<b>Pb</b>	<b>Bi</b>	<b>Po</b>		<b>At</b>	<b>Rn</b>

  NMR active nuclei      ○  $s=1/2$   
  Frequently used nuclei  
  Not active nuclei

Prodigy except between  $^{199}\text{Hg}$  and  $^{153}\text{Eu}$  (e.g.  $^{137}\text{Ba}$ ,  $^{17}\text{O}$ ,  $^9\text{Be}$ ,  $^6\text{Li}$ ...)

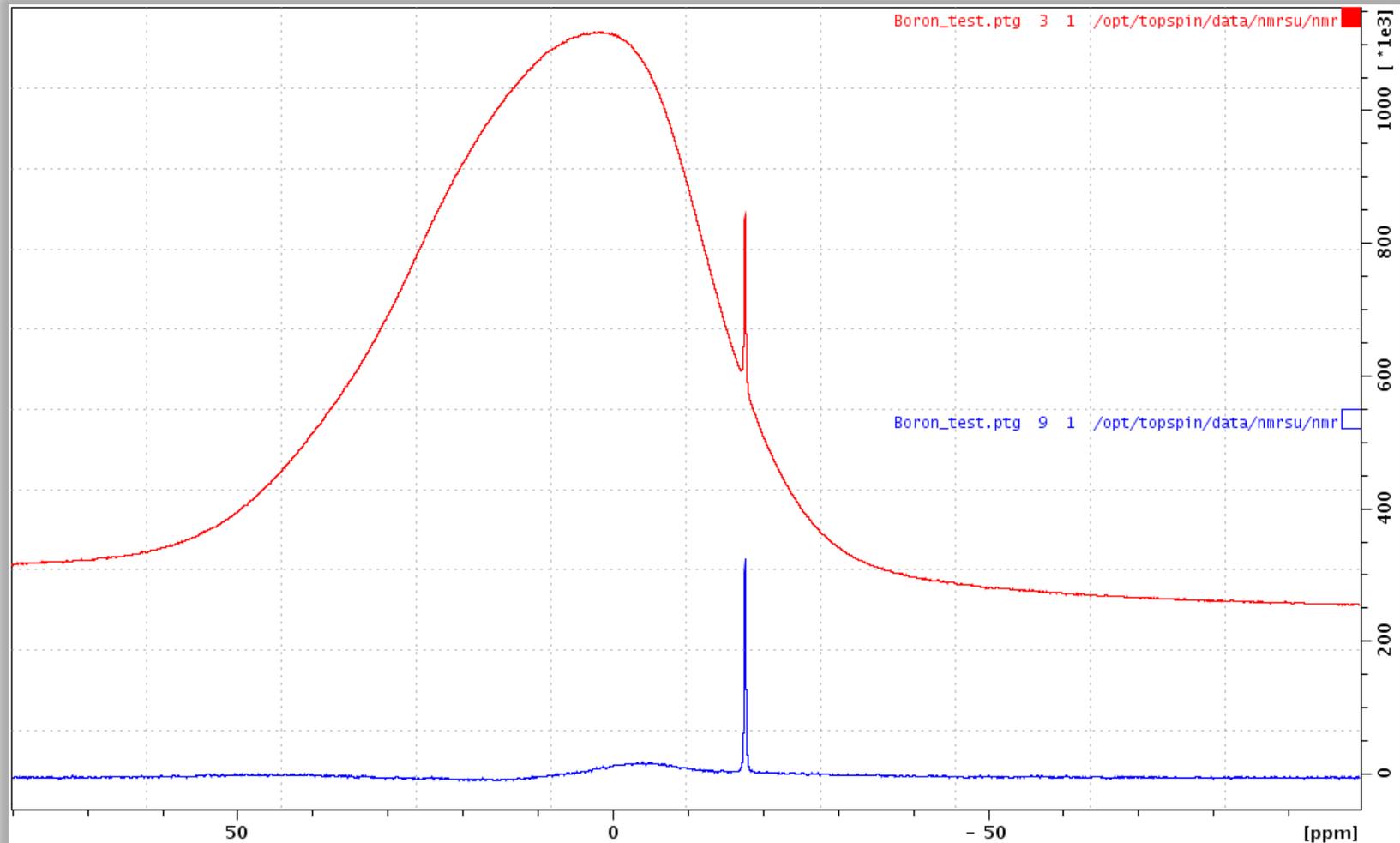
# Examples: $^{19}\text{F}$ zgbs\_bb background suppression



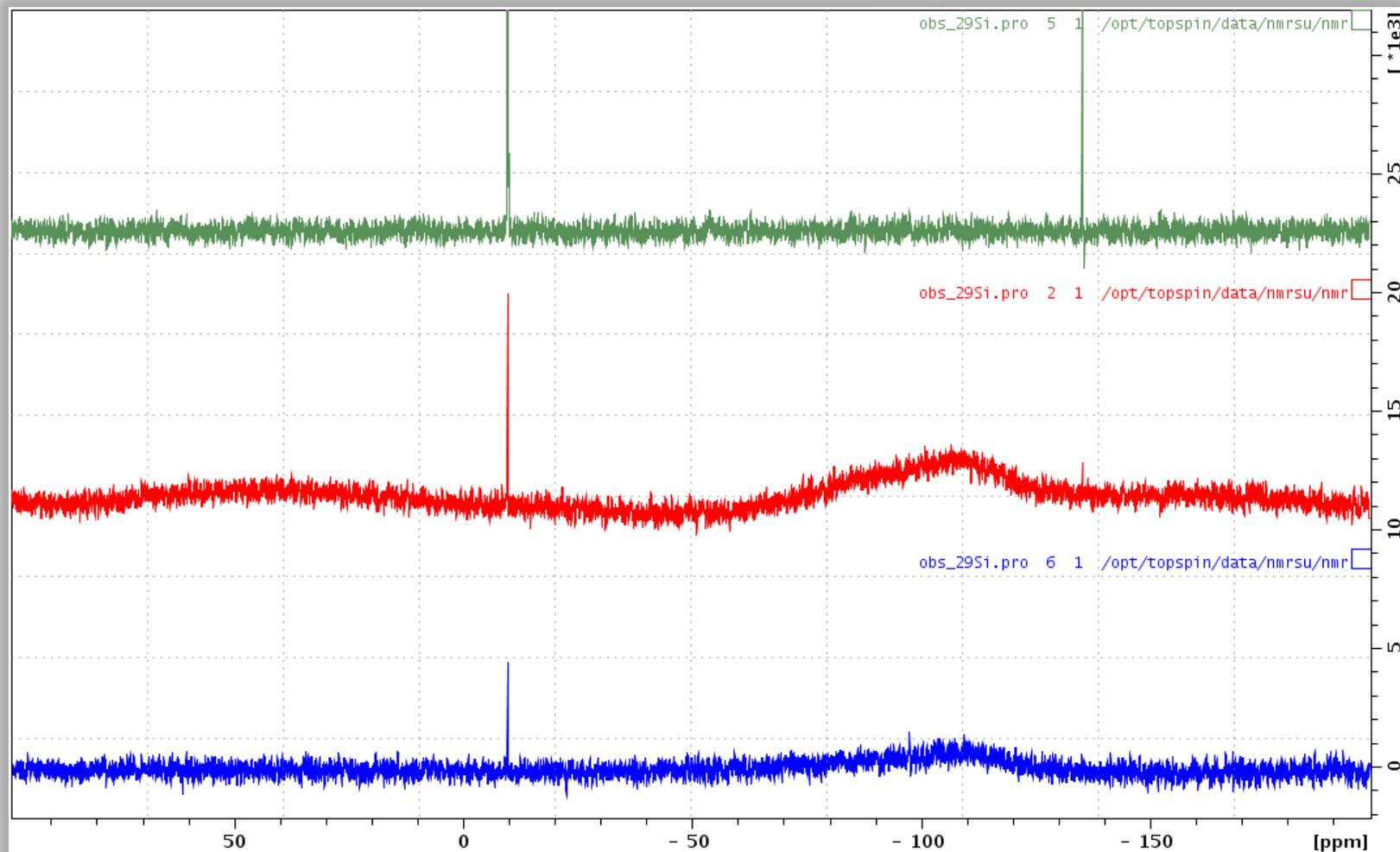
# Examples: 11B (zgbs\_bb) background suppression



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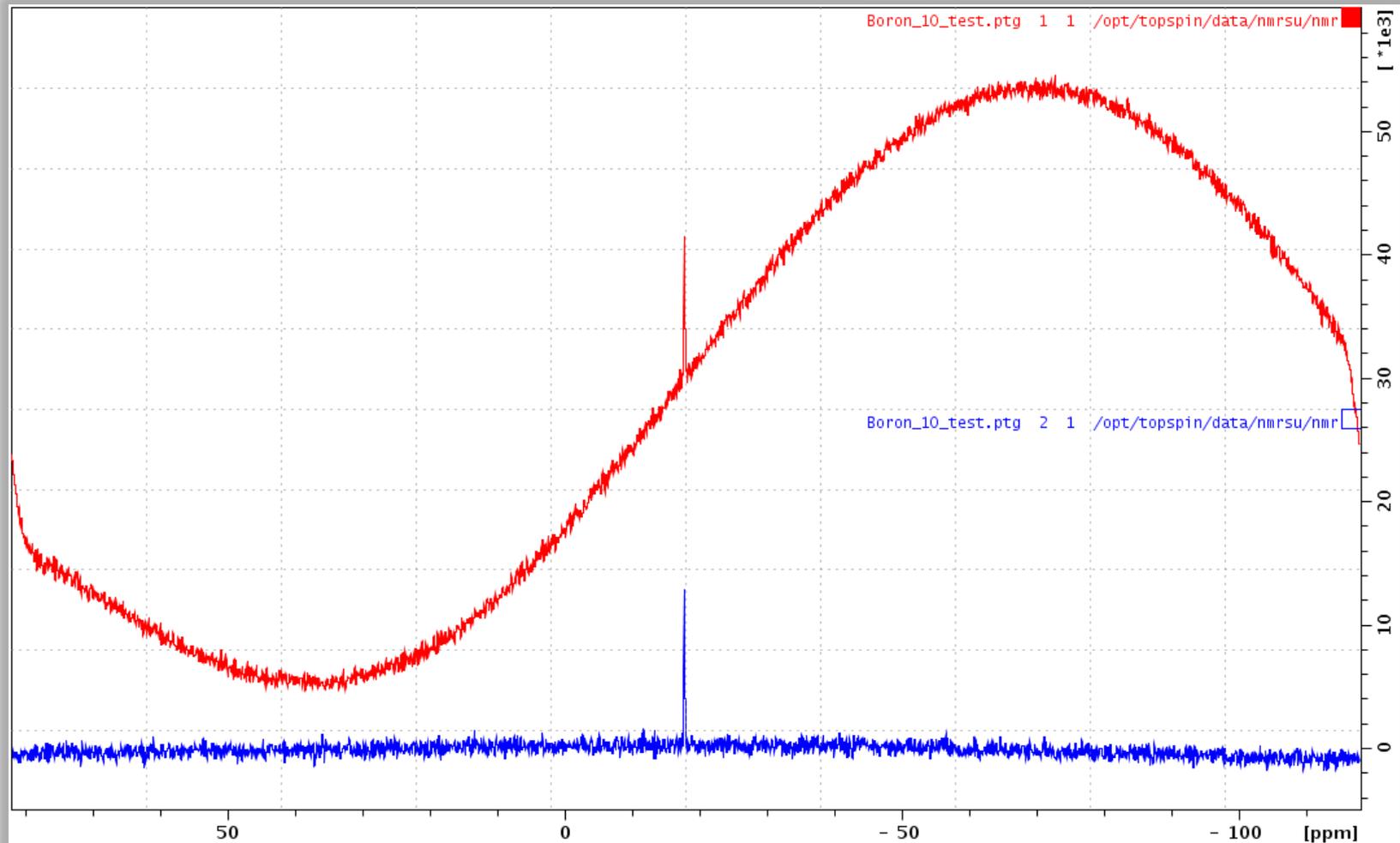
# Example: $^{29}\text{Si}$ (zgbs\_bb) background suppression & INEPT



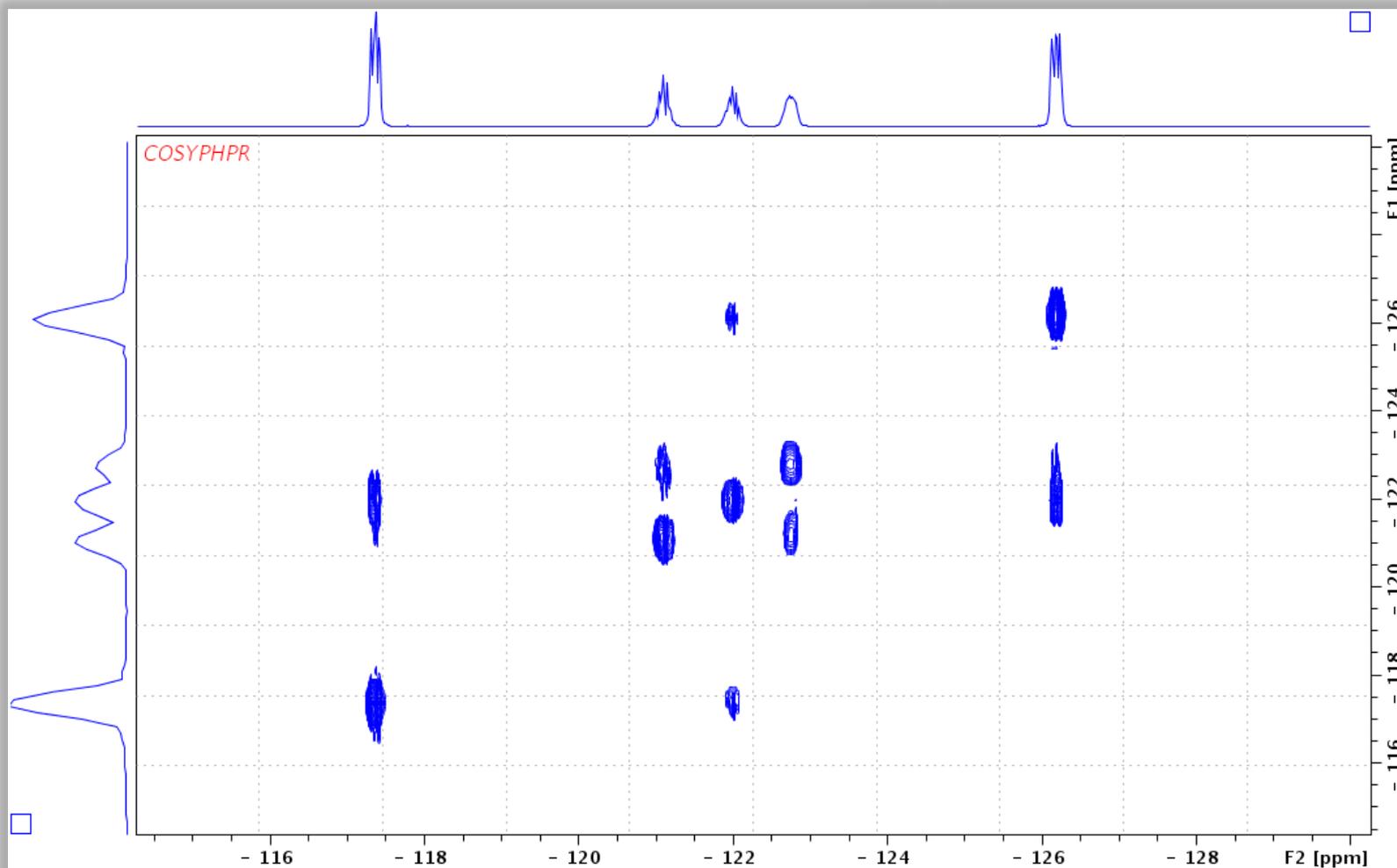
# Examples: 10B (aring2\_bb) antiring sequence



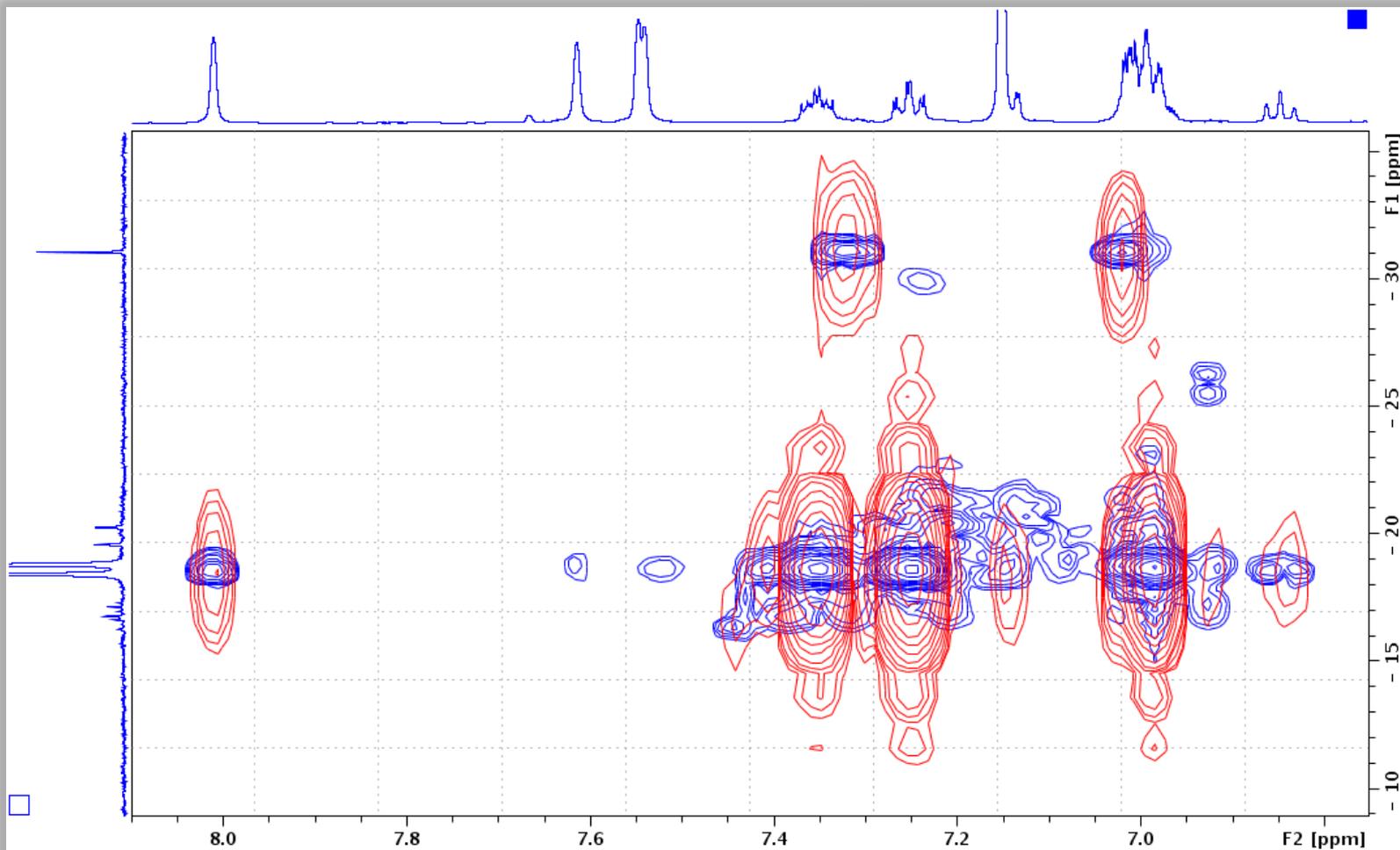
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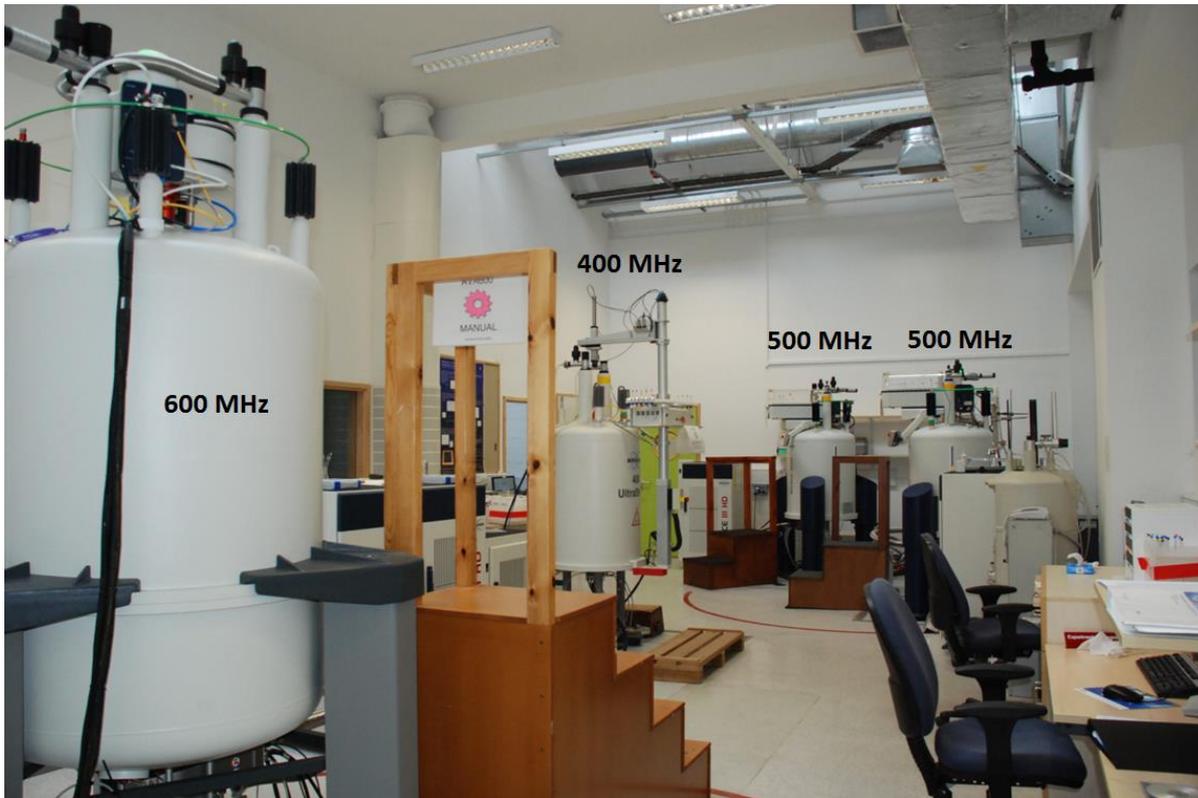
# Examples: $^{19}\text{F}$ COSY



# Examples: $^{31}\text{P}$ HMBC (NUS) structure characterisation



# Operational aspects

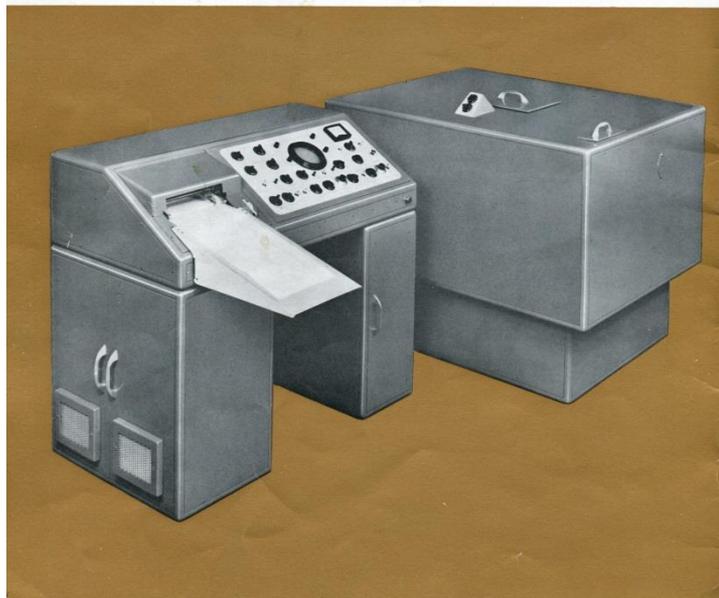


# NMR at Edinburgh is 50 years old this year!



**Perkin-Elmer**

**Nuclear Magnetic Resonance**



## **Perkin Elmer R-10 NMR spectrometer**

- 60 MHz persistent magnet
- CW mode

Installed in January 1964  
Dr. Peter Schwarz

# Operational aspects

- With shielded magnet very compact
- Room 3m x 3m is sufficient
- Installation straightforward versus He probes
- 16A power socket, N2 gas (6 bar) supply & backup N2
- No mess with flexlines, cables, compressor etc...
- Quality (dry) of N2 gas is critical !
- No He filters 😊
- Issues – Yes ☹️
- **PRO**digy = **PRO**blems free – NO! ☹️

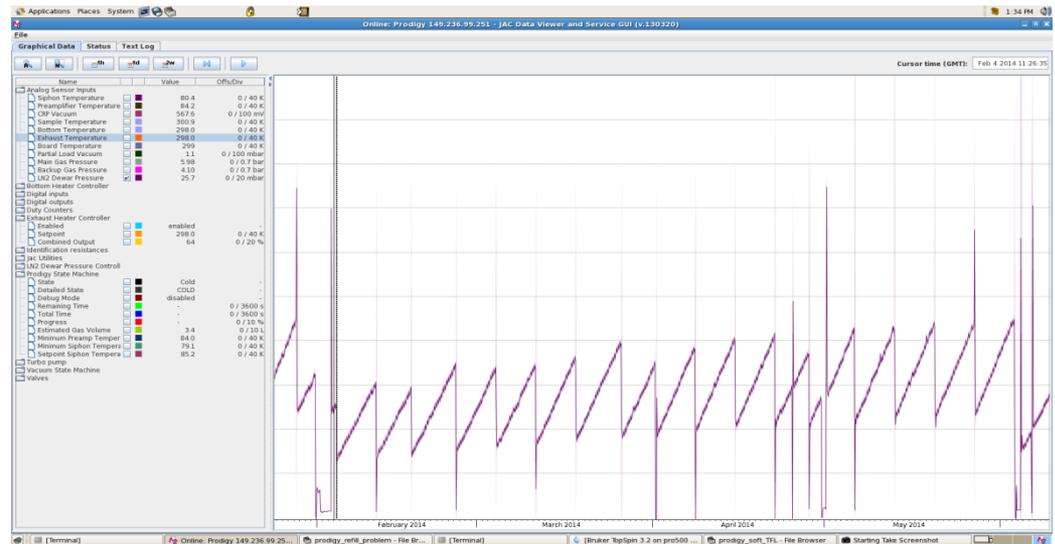
# Issues

## Soft Transfer Line (TFL)



- Poor vacuum in TFL decreases hold time efficiency from about 10 days to less than one week.
- In LN2 consumption - from 8 kg/day to up 10 kg/day
- Easy monitoring by In-build gui service monitor

- LN2 Dewar Pressure
- Initial DP after refill:  
26 mbar – good vacuum  
50 mbar – poor vacuum



- Had to pump FTL twice (every four months)
- Bruker is working on new improved version of TFL

# Issues – LN2 refill problem under investigation



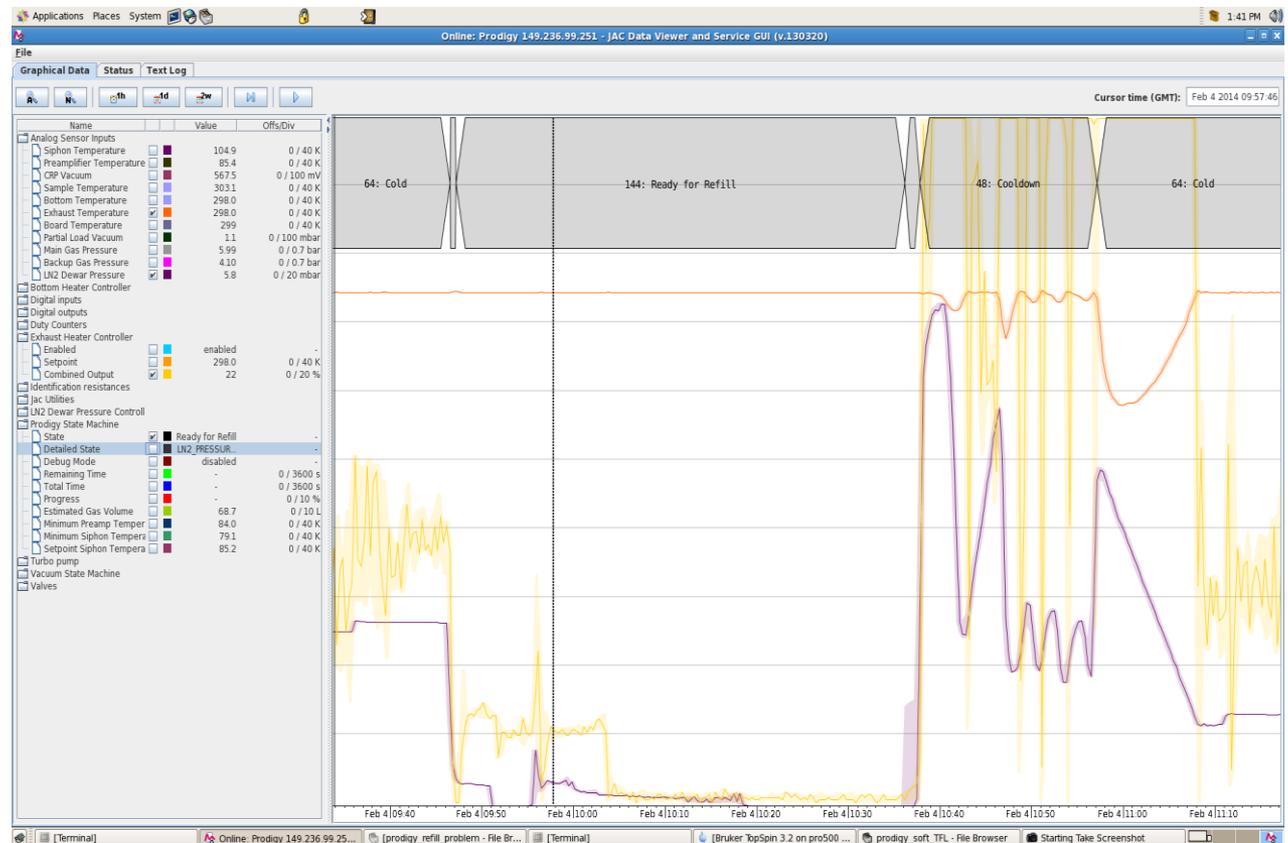
- Example of normal LN2 refill:

Dewar pressure:

DP 6-8 mbar  
(purple)

Heater – low  
(yellow)

Exhaust temp:  
298 K  
(orange)

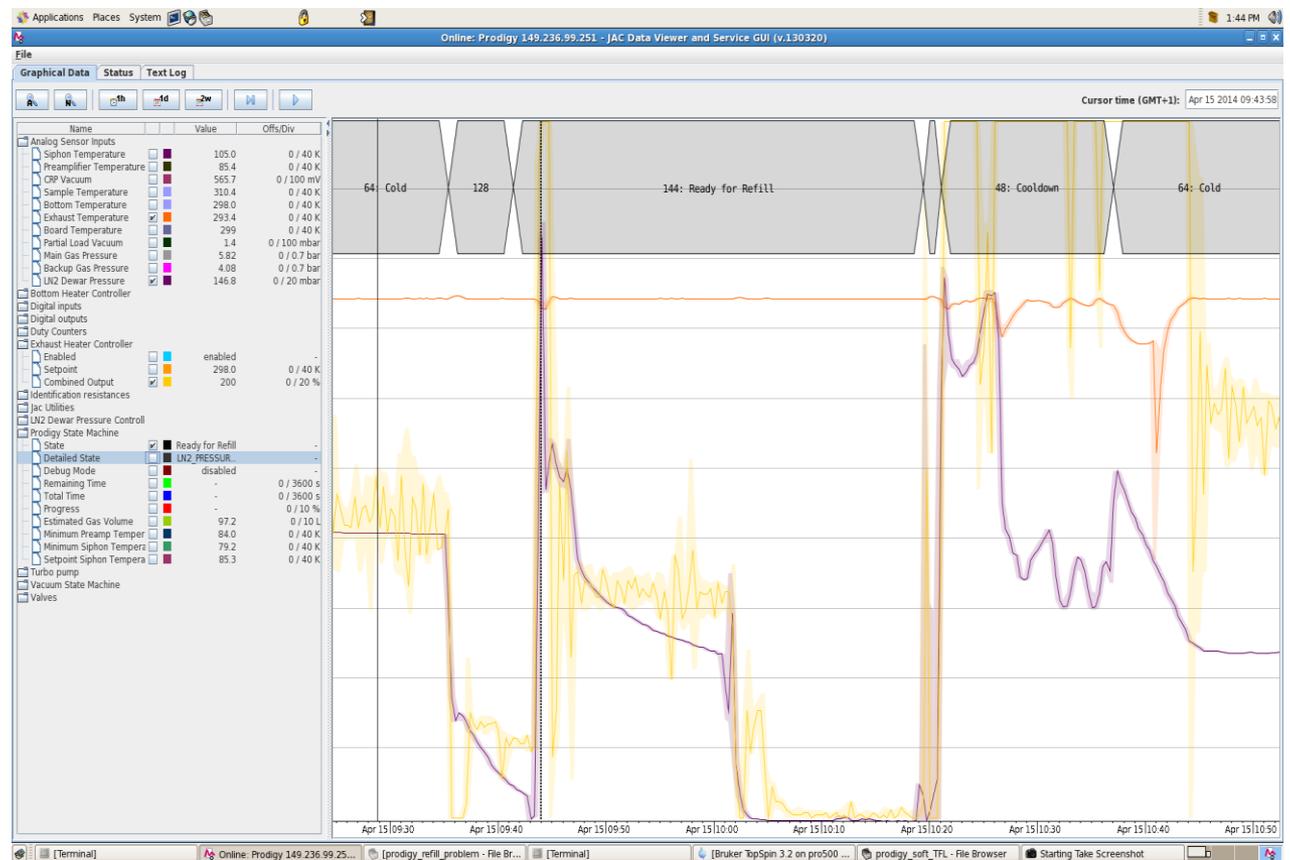


# Issues – LN2 refill problem Ice blockage ?



- Example of “acceptable” LN2 refill:

Dewar pressure:  
DP 150 mbar !  
Heater – high  
Exhaust temp:  
298 K

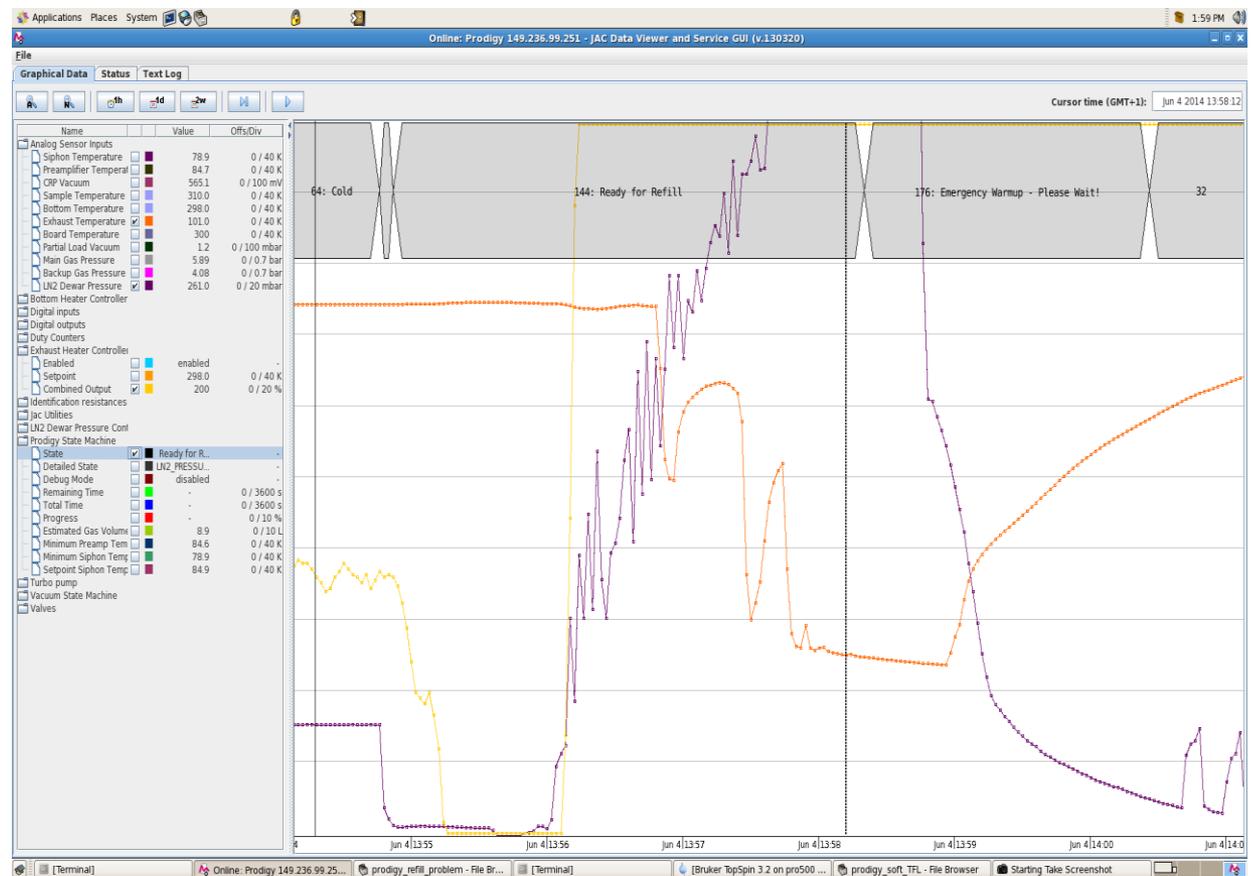


# Issues – LN2 refill problem complete ice blockage ?



- LN2 dewar does NOT accumulate any LN2 at all

Dewar pressure:  
DP 260 mbar !  
Heater – 200 % !  
Exhaust temp:  
Below 100 K !  
Emergency  
warmup !



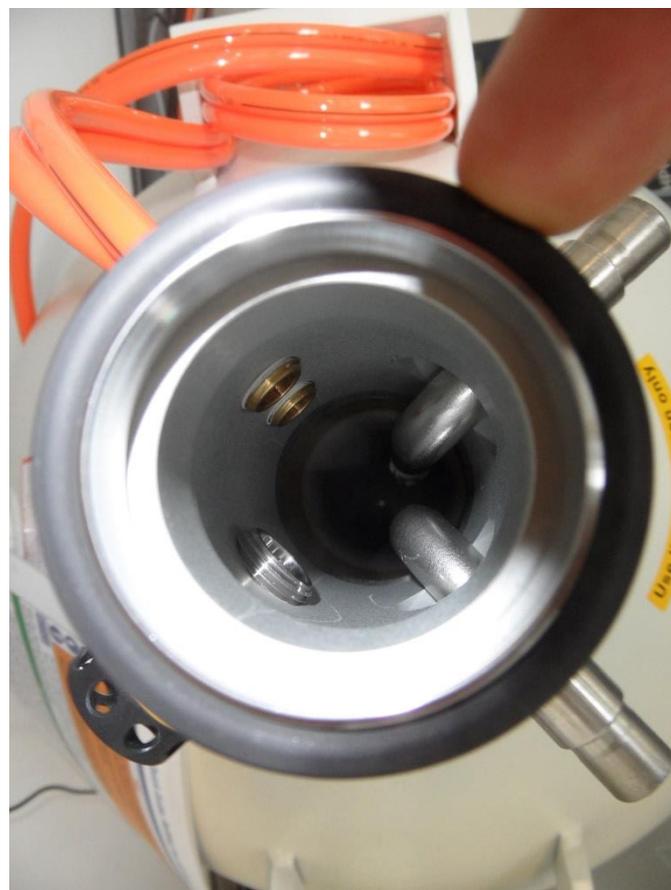
# Issues – LN2 refill problem how it looks like

This is something you do not want to see ☹️



# Issues – LN2 refill problem and what's behind

## Bruker's Enigma:

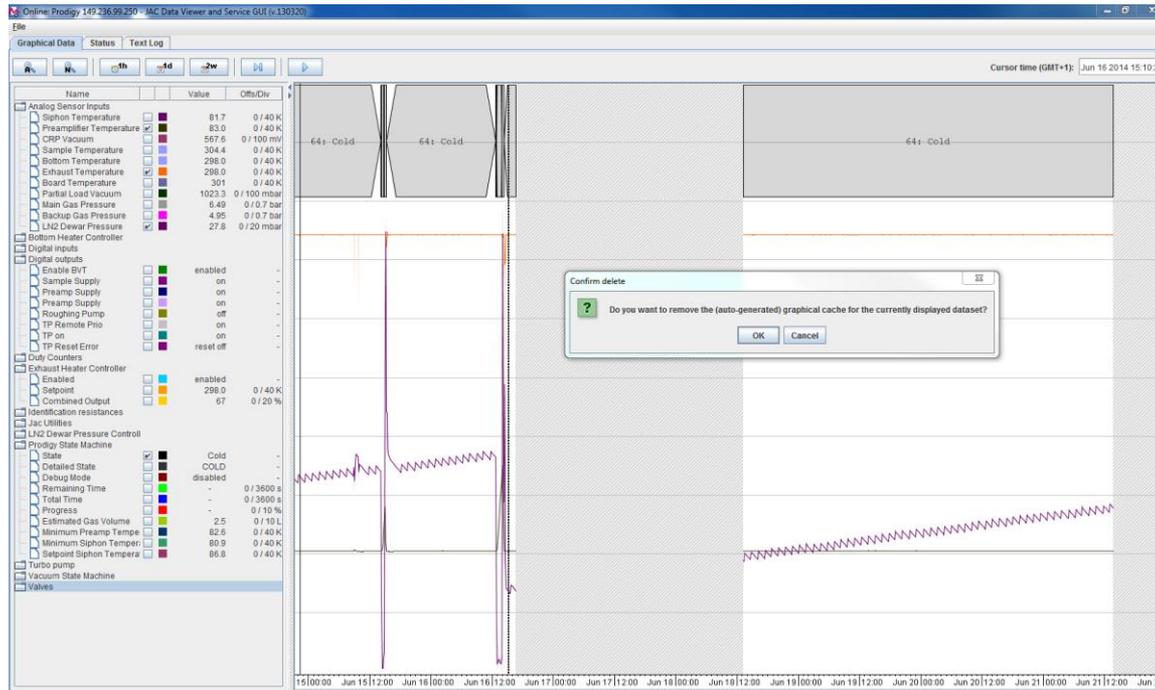


# Issues / inconveniences

## Sudden loss of memory



- Greyed areas / missing data ?
- There is a cure - Go to File & Renew Graphic Cache (Quick)



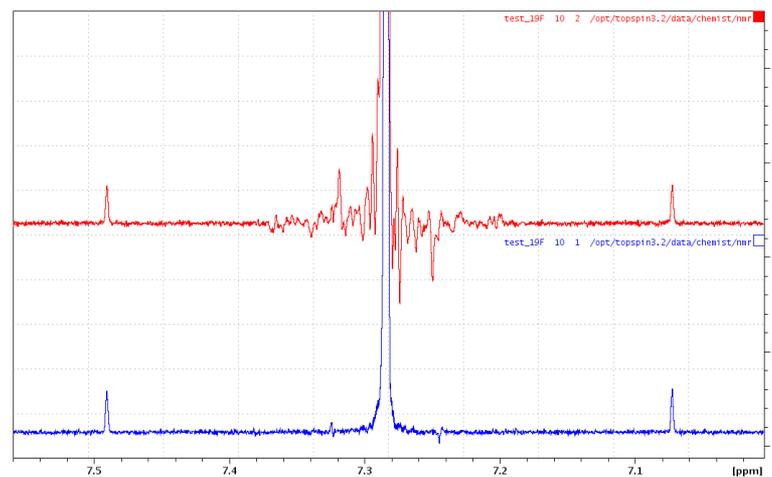
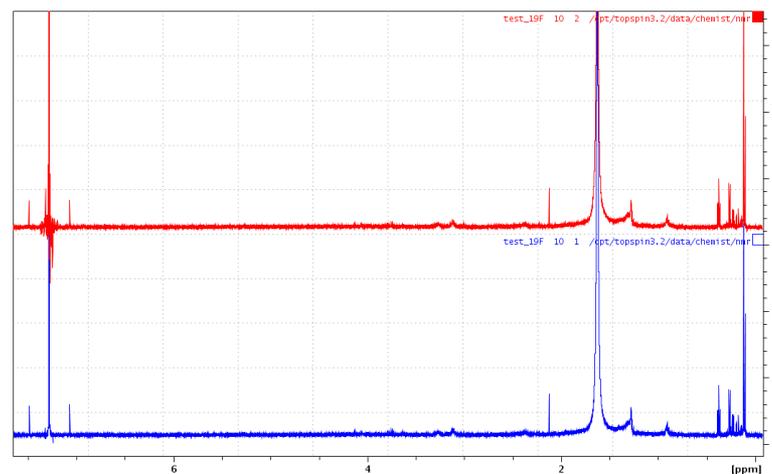
- Nice tool but software is a bit temperamental

# Issues / inconveniences

## Automation is the key



- Resistive touch screen  
It requires quite a firm touch -  
sometimes even shaking magnet
- Capacitive touch screen  
would be welcome



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## Bionmr:

two fold sensitivity of  
He cryo-probes still makes  
significant difference in  
3D and nD experiments  
duration (4 times).  
Interactions (2D) – Prodigy!

## Chemistry:

you really do not need  
sensitivity of He cryoprobes  
unless you already have one.

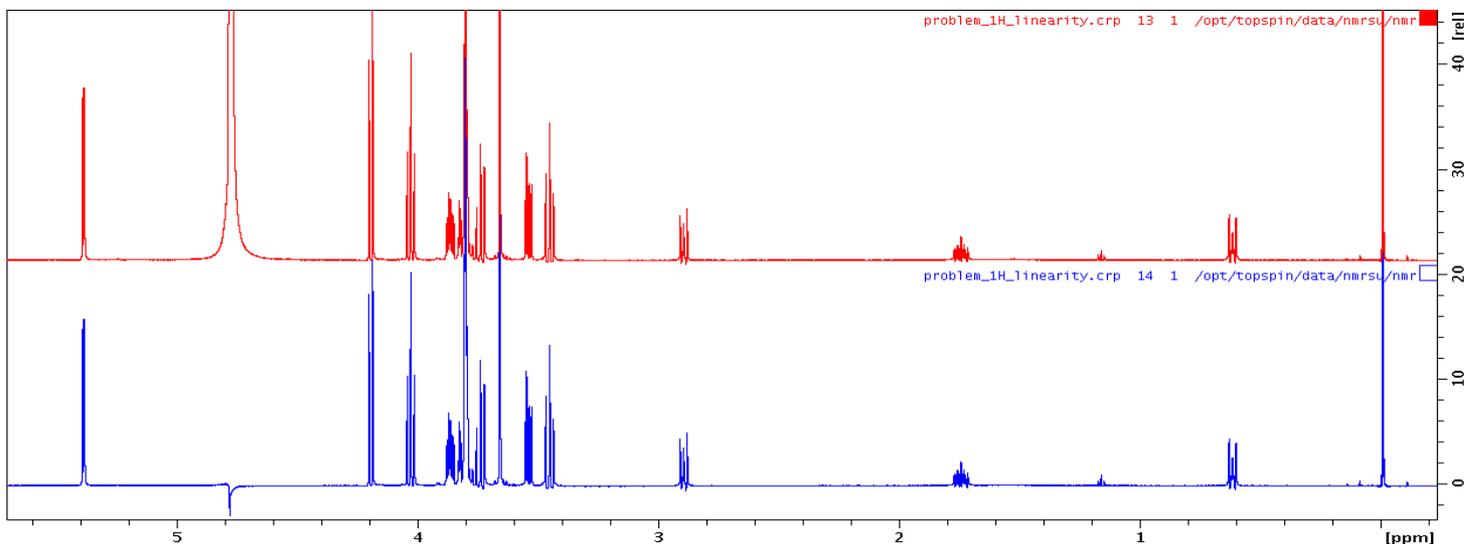


# Other stuff



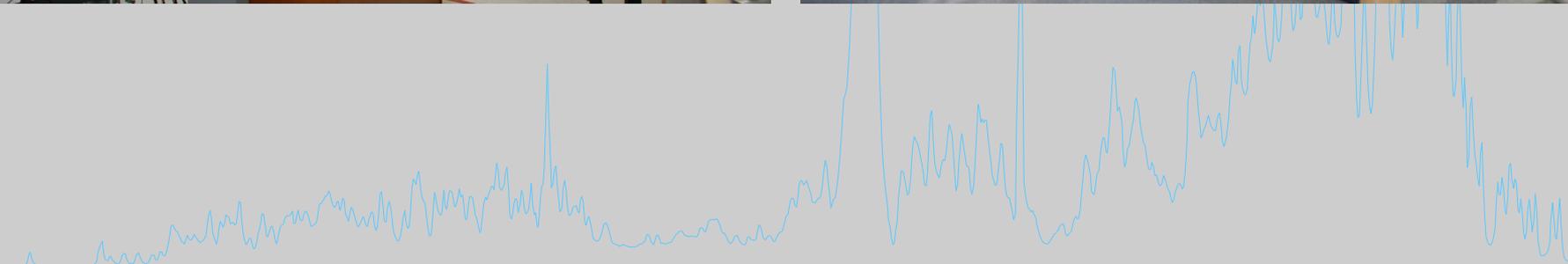
- Bruker: Windows 7 professional – NO Server for NFS (Network File System) – no way to mount Linux PC hard drive
- 600 MHz TCI (Z44896/009) 1H non linearity - about +0.9 dB

zgesgp



- 600 MHz AV I (2001) 3 channel working console available
- Additional 600 MHz AV I spare parts available too

# Liquid-state NMR in the School of Chemistry @ Edinburgh now



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