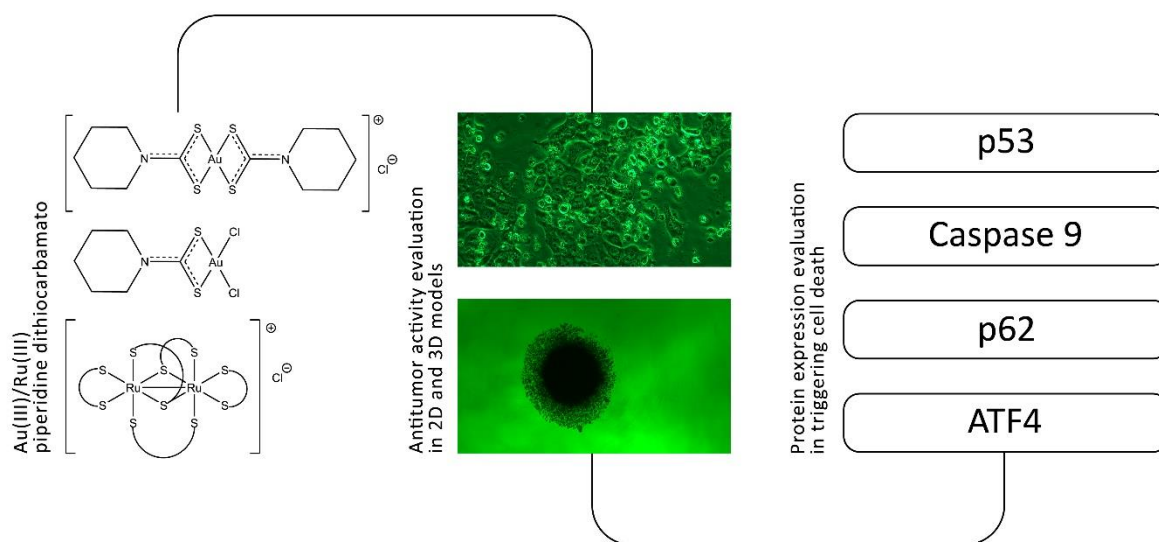


# Supporting Information

## Synthesis, characterization and biological activity evaluation of Gold(III)- and Ruthenium(III)-dithiocarbamato complexes with anticancer properties

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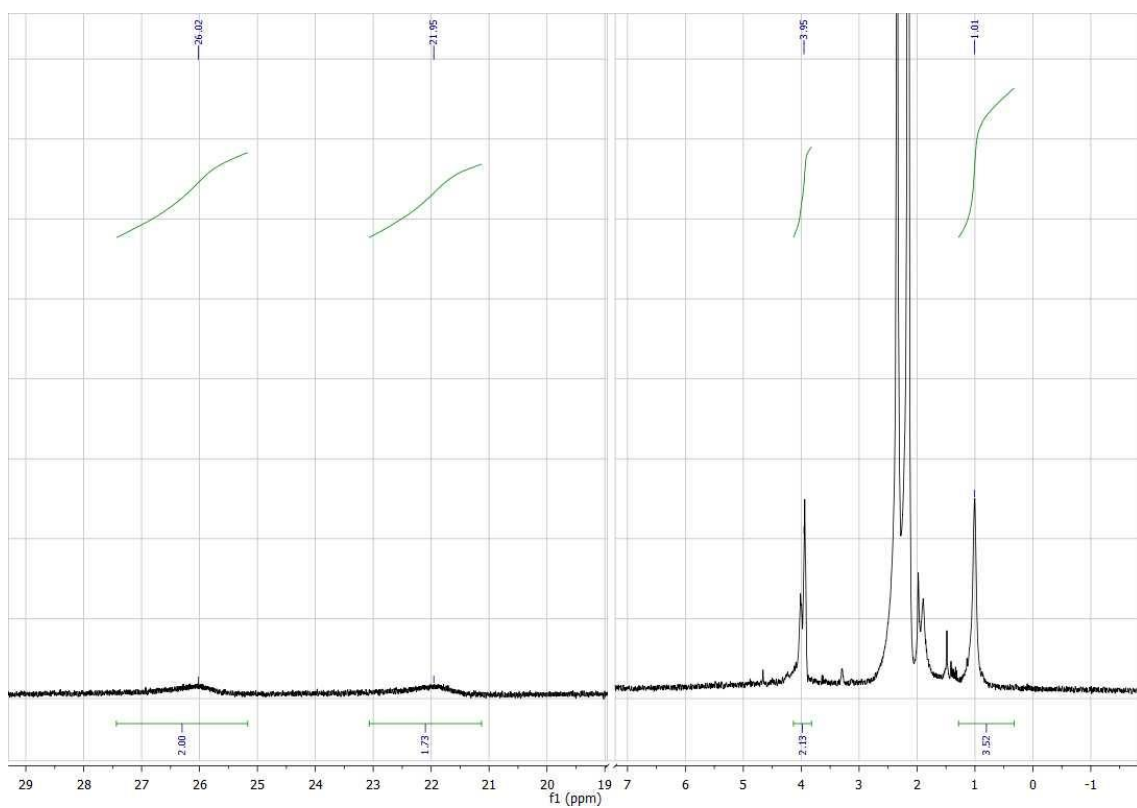
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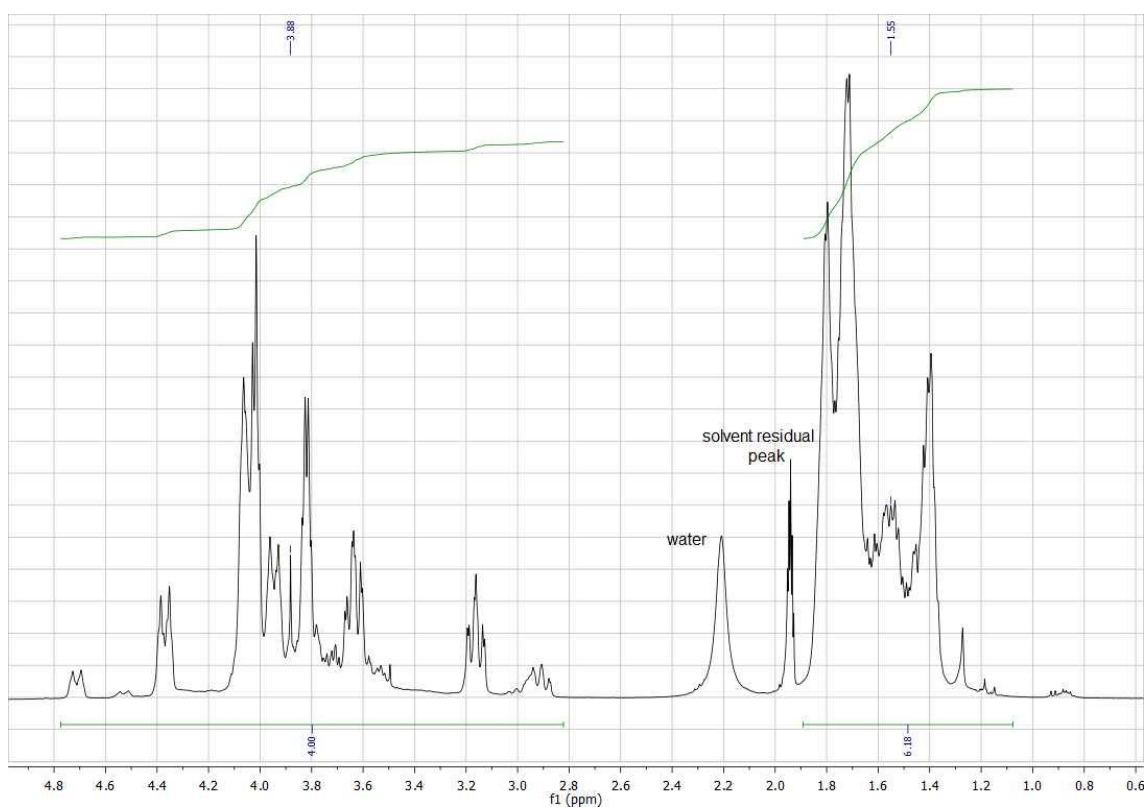
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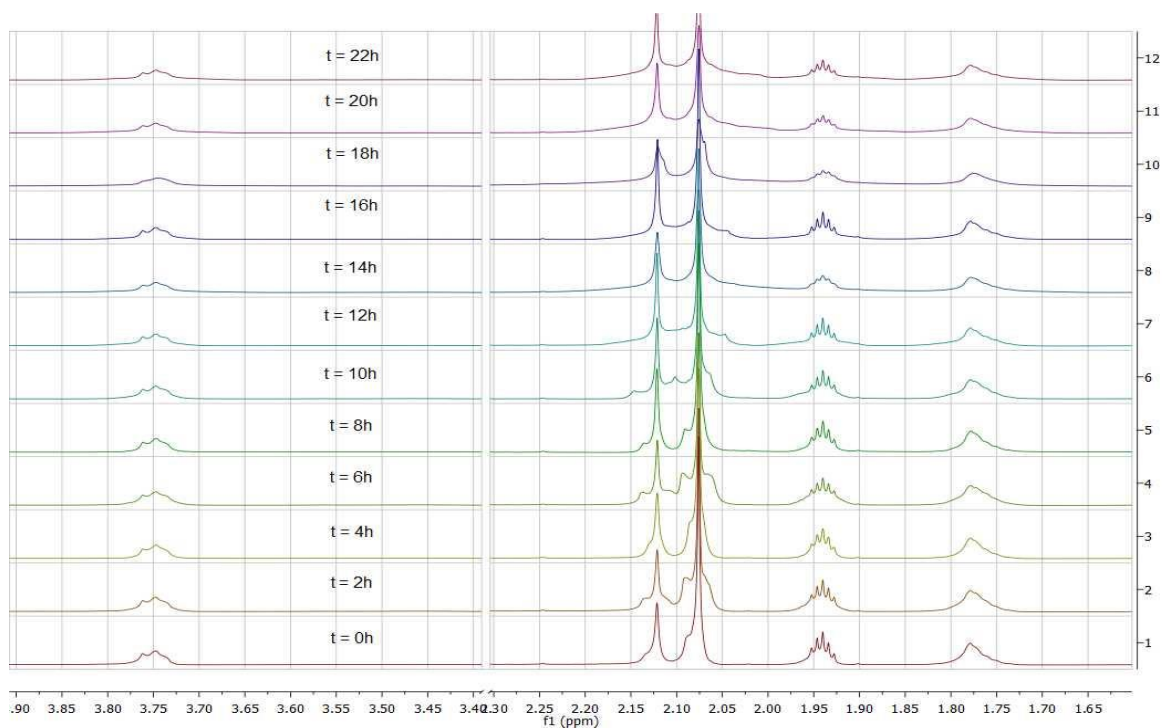
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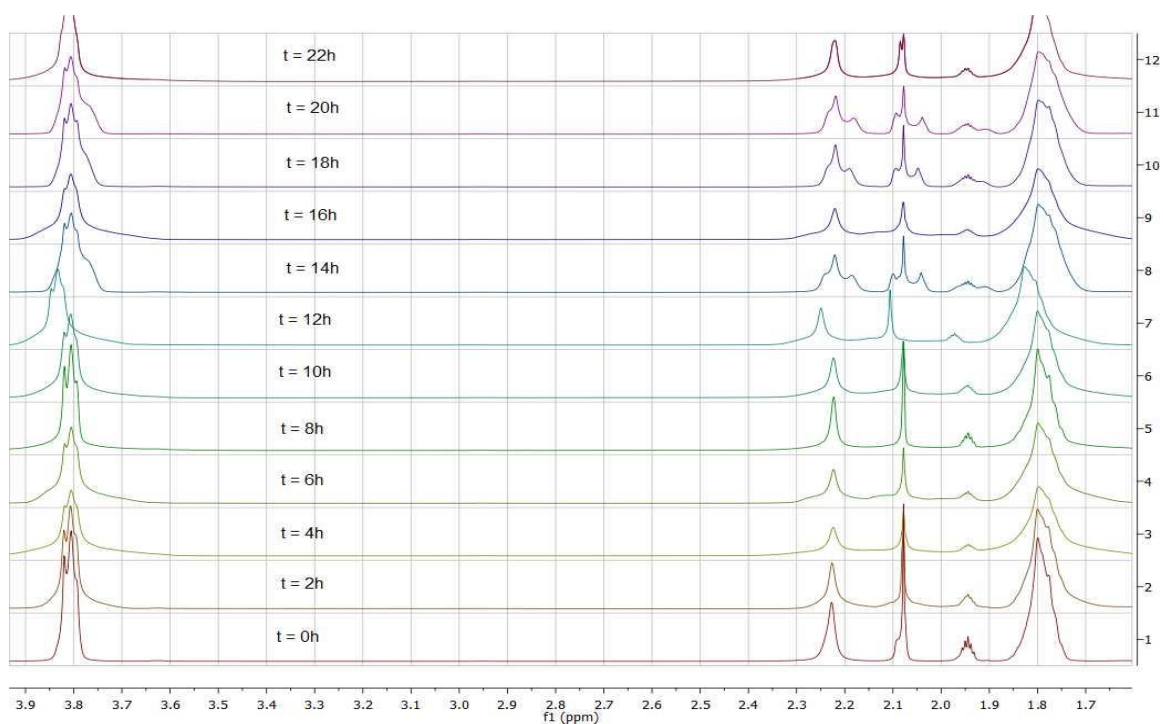
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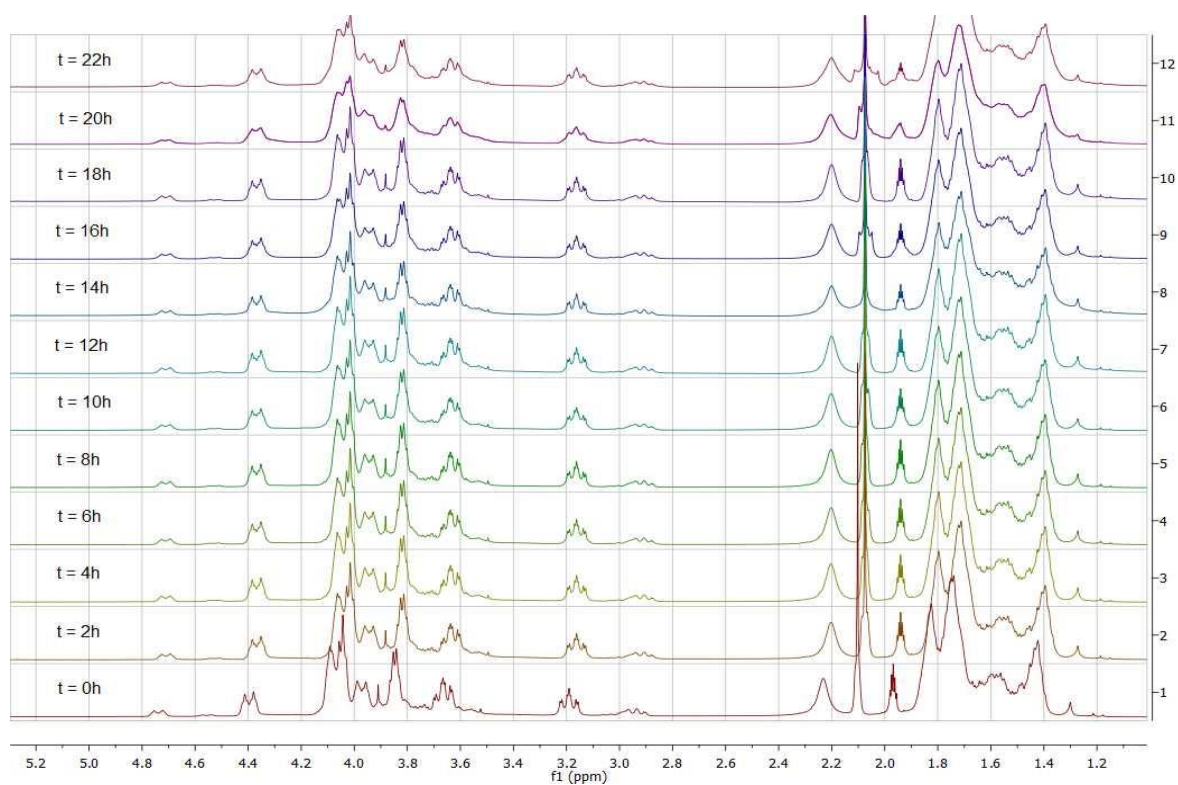
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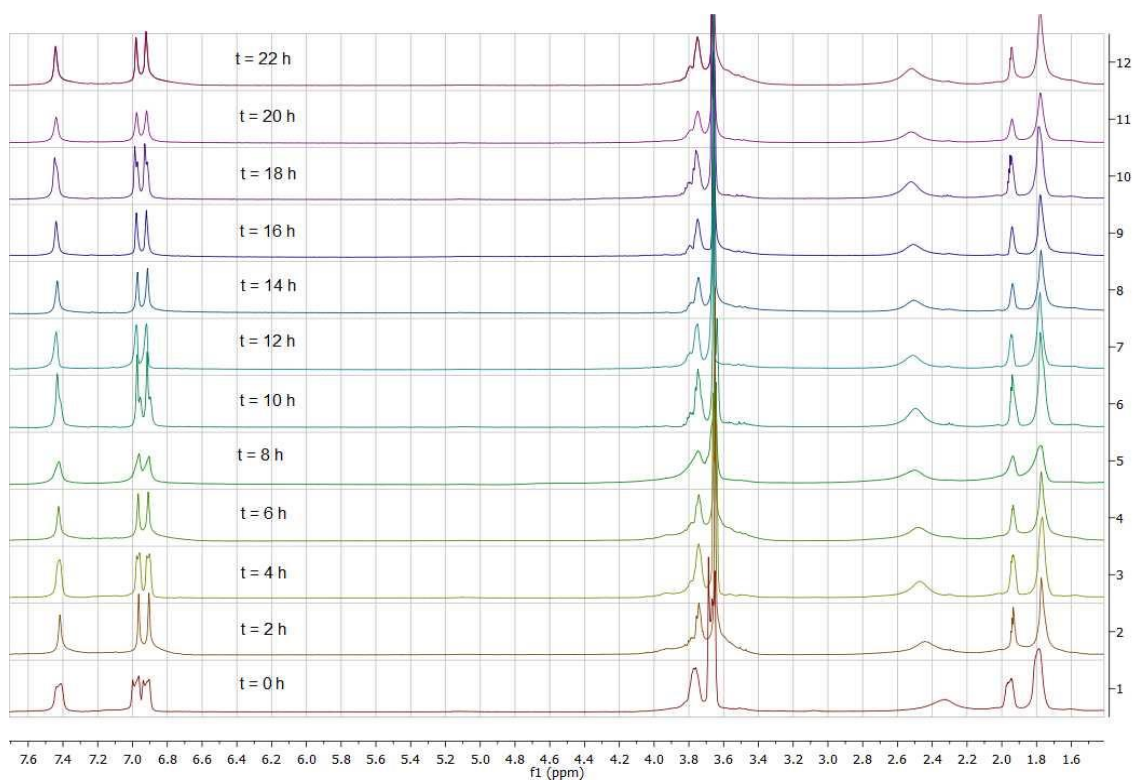
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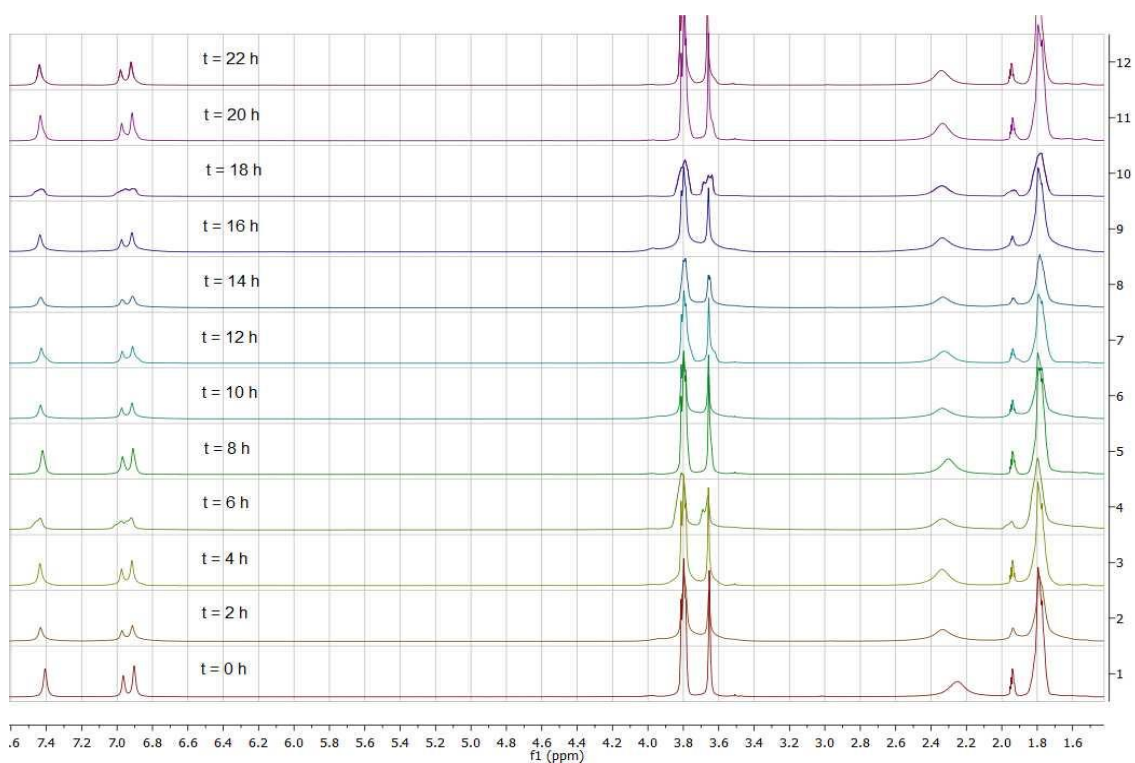
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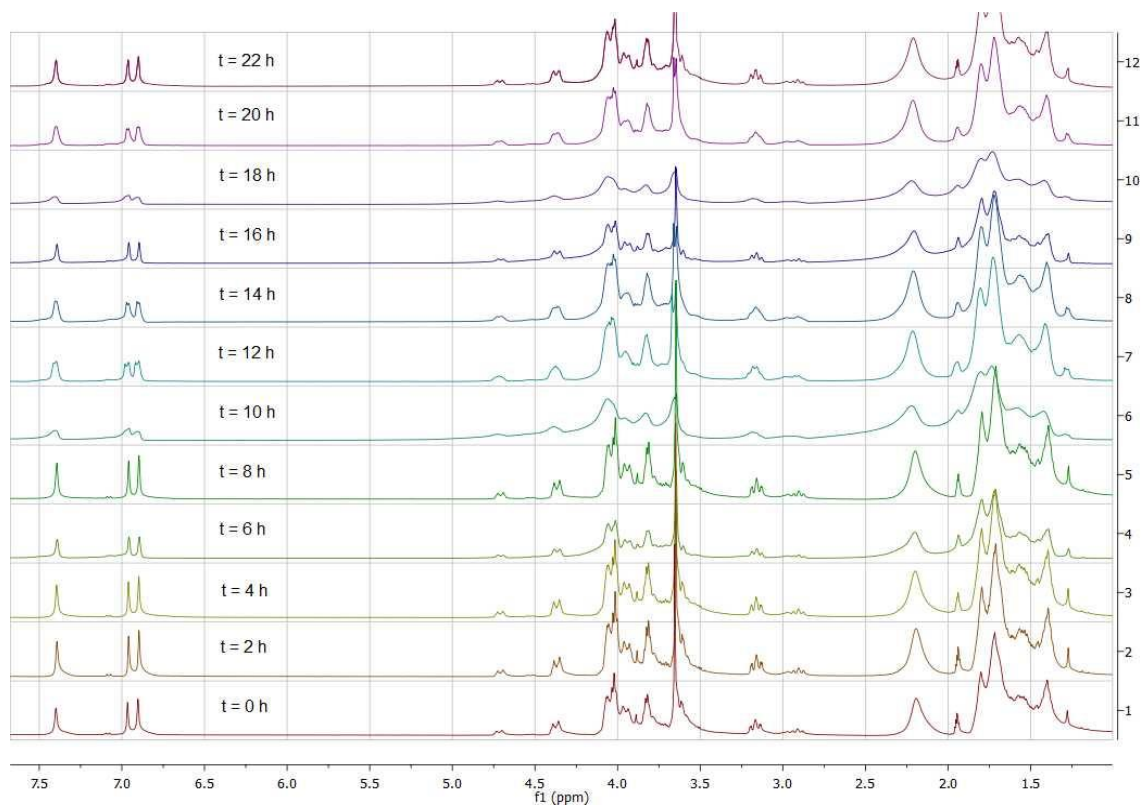
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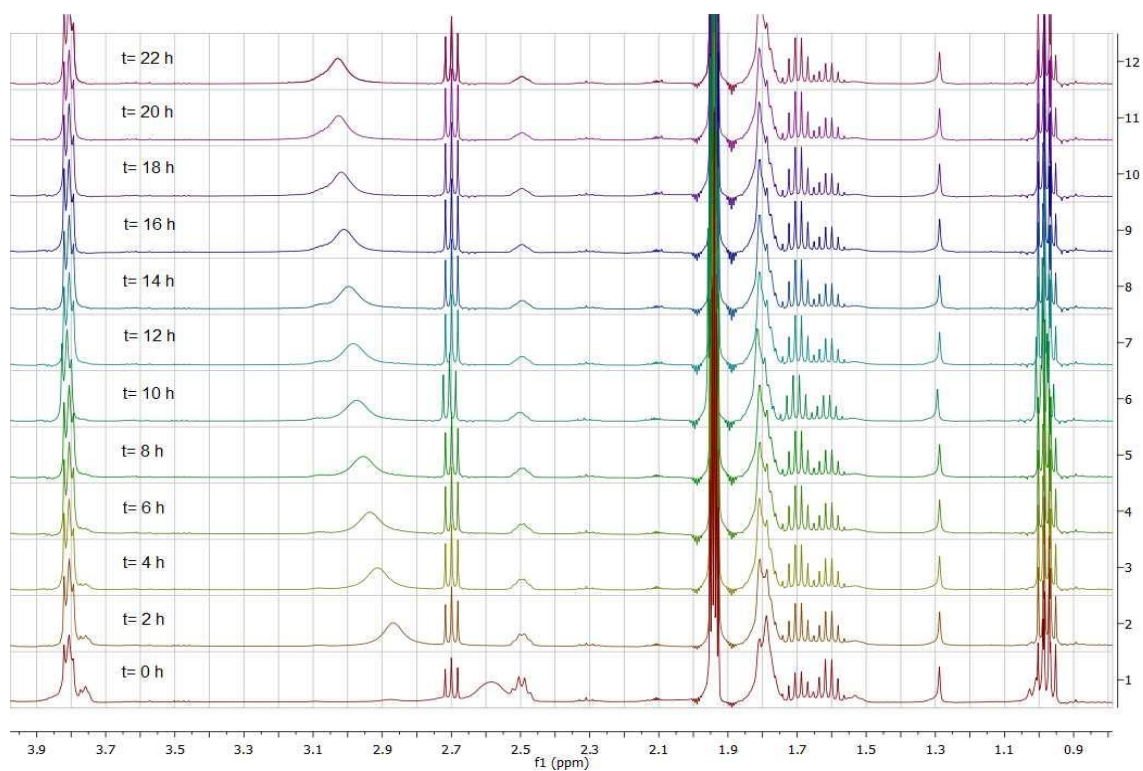


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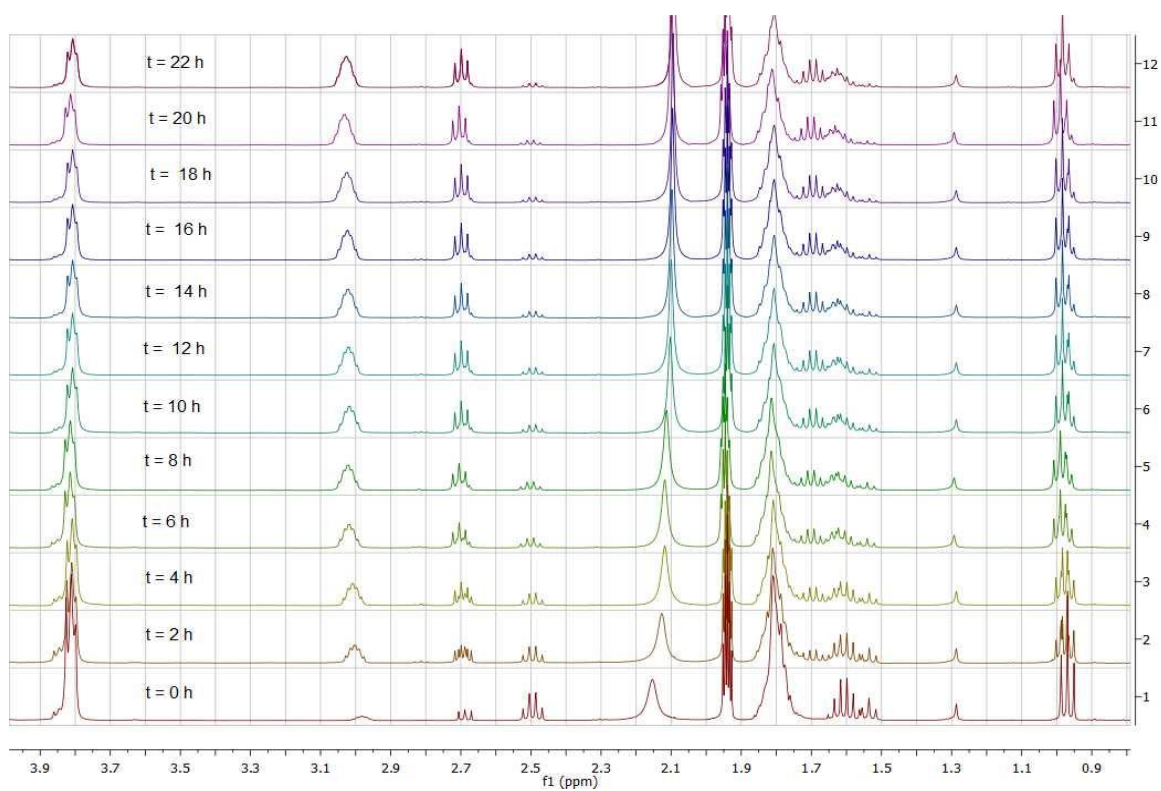


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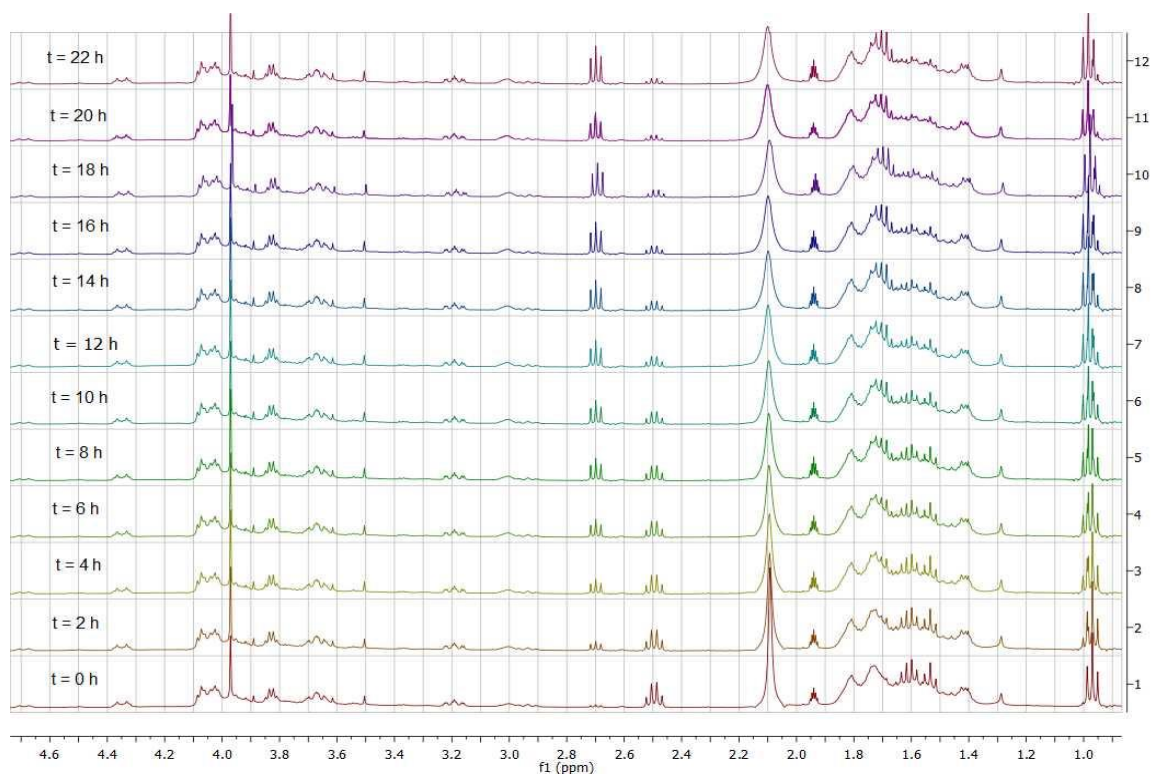




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### Synthesis of Cisplatin

A solution of  $\text{K}_2[\text{PtCl}_4]$  (506.2 mg, 1.22 mmol) in 8 mL of deionized water was mixed with KI (1.635 g, 9.84 mmol) under stirring at room temperature for 30 minutes. Successively, after addition of concentrated  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  (2.44 mmol, 320  $\mu\text{L}$ ), the formation of a yellow precipitate of  $\text{cis}[\text{PtI}_2(\text{NH}_3)_2]$  was observed. The solid was centrifuged and washed with 2x 3 mL of cold deionized water and then with 2x 3 mL of cold EtOH and dried under vacuum. After 24 hours, the di-iodo Pt(II) complex (1.03 mmol, 500 mg) was dissolved in deionized water (8 mL) and treated with  $\text{AgNO}_3$  (2.07 mmol, 351.7 mg). The mixture was stirred at  $55^\circ\text{C}$  overnight, then it was filtered to remove AgI and the obtained colourless solution was added of NaCl (4.12 mmol, 244 mg) under stirring. After 30 minutes, a yellow precipitate was formed. The solution was cooled at  $4^\circ\text{C}$  and the precipitate was separated, washed with cool water and dried in vacuum in the presence of  $\text{P}_2\text{O}_5$ . Aspect: yellow solid. Yield: 87%. Anal. Calc.  $\text{Pt N}_2\text{H}_6\text{Cl}_2$  (MW= 300.05 g/mol): H 2.00; N 9.33. Found: H 2.08; N 9.46.  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR (DMF, 300.13 MHz):  $\delta$  (ppm): 4.16 (broad s, 6H,  $\text{NH}_3$ ).