

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

IUPAC Name:	2-(methylamino)-1-(4-methylphenyl)propan-1-one
CFR:	Schedule I
CAS #:	1189805-46-6 (Base) 1189726-22-4 (HCl)
Synonyms:	Mephedrone, 4-MMC, 4-methylephedrone
Source:	DEA Reference Material Collection
Appearance:	Pale yellow powder (HCl)
Kovat's Index:	Pending
UV_{max} (nm):	262.8

2. CHEMICAL AND PHYSICAL DATA

2.1 CHEMICAL DATA

Form	Chemical Formula	Molecular Weight	Melting Point (°C)
Base	C ₁₁ H ₁₅ NO	177	Not Determined
HCl	C ₁₁ H ₁₅ NO · HCl	213	249.6

3. *ADDITIONAL RESOURCES*

K. Tsujikawa, T. Mikuma, K. Kuwayama, et al. Degradation pathways of 4-methylmethcathinone in alkaline solution and stability of methcathinone analogs in various pH solutions. *Forensic Science International* 2012; 220: 103-110.

P. Dargan, R. Sedefov, A. Gallegos, D. Wood. The pharmacology and toxicology of the synthetic cathinone mephedrone (4-methylmethcathinone). *Drug Testing and Analysis* 2011; 3:454-463.

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4. *QUALITATIVE DATA*

4.1 NUCLEAR MAGNETIC RESONANCE

Method NMR D₂O

Sample Preparation: Dilute analyte to ~20 mg/mL in D₂O containing TSP for 0 ppm reference and maleic acid as quantitative internal standard.

Instrument:

400 MHz NMR spectrometer

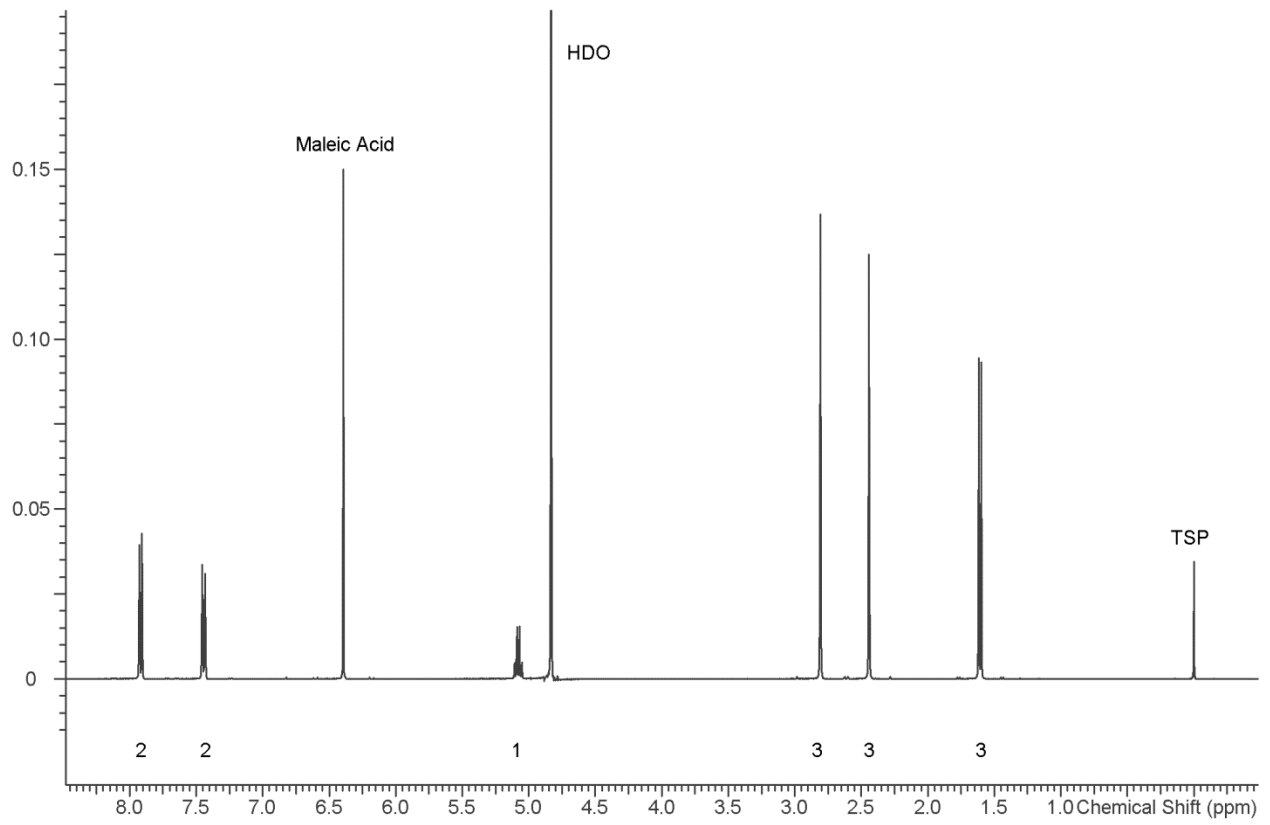
Parameters:

Spectral width: at least containing -3 ppm through 13 ppm

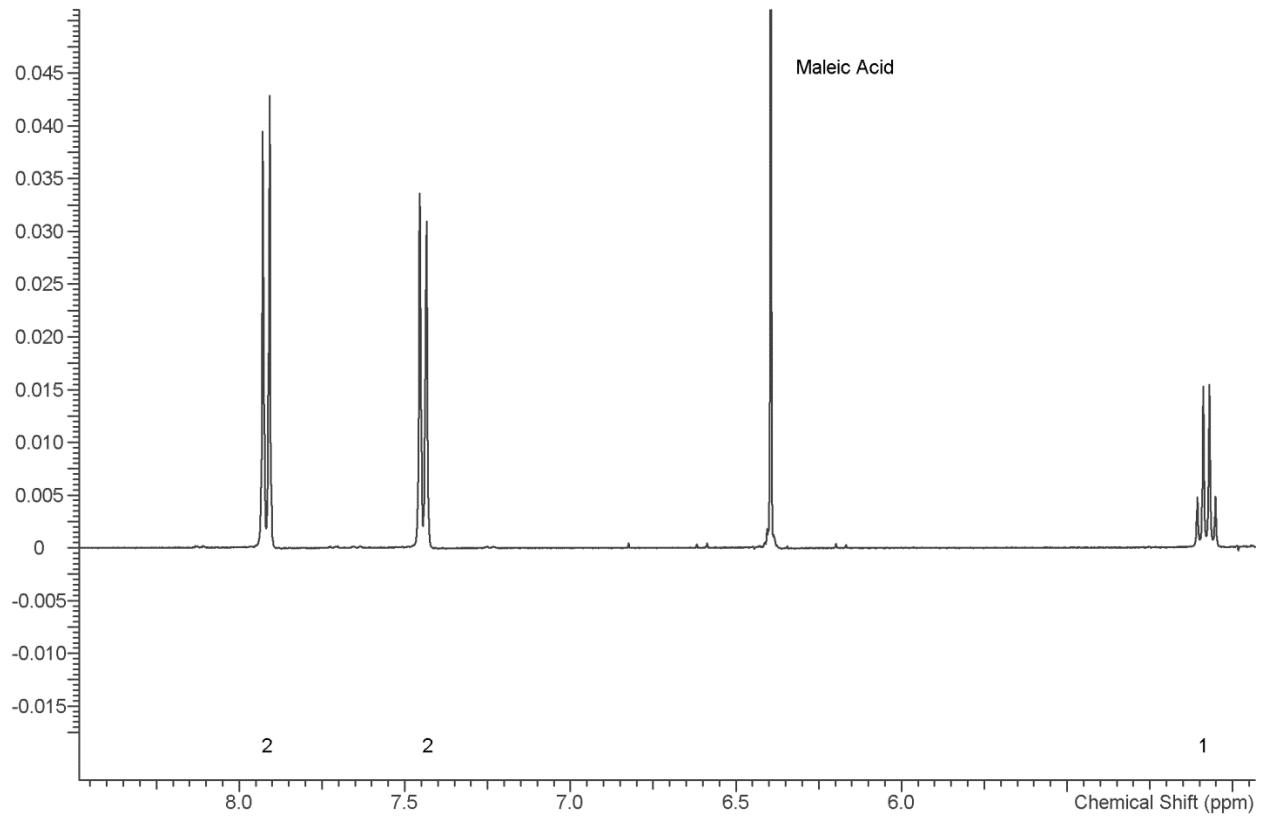
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Delay between pulses: 45 seconds

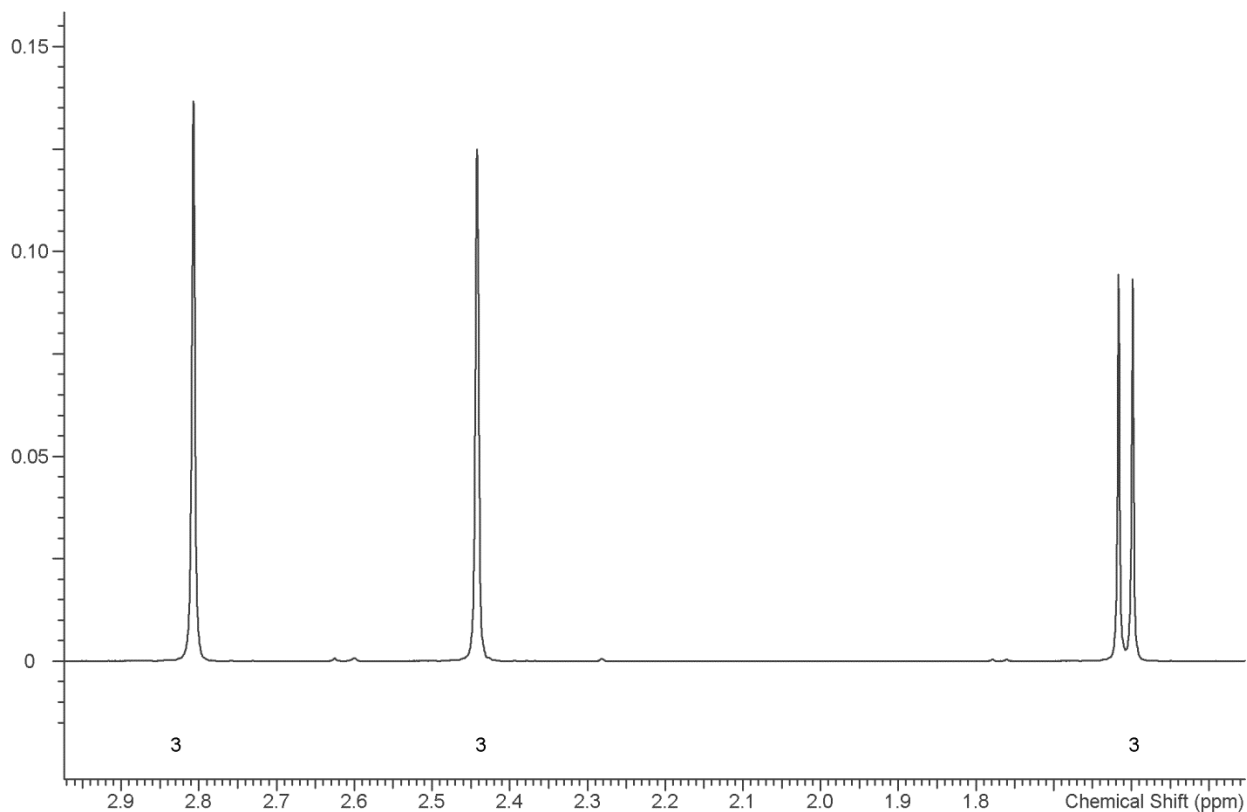
1H NMR: 4-Methylmethcathinone HCl Lot # SF0002; D₂O; 400MHz



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4.2 GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY/MASS SPECTROMETRY

Sample Preparation: Dilute analyte to ~1 mg/mL base extracted in CHCl₃.

Instrument: Agilent gas chromatograph operated in split mode with MS detector

Column: DB-1 MS or equivalent; 30m x .25mm x .25μm

Carrier Gas: Helium at 1 mL/min

Temperatures:
Injector: 280°C
MSD transfer line: 280°C
MS Source: 230°C
MS Quad: 150°C

Oven program:

1) 100°C initial temperature for 1.0 min

2) Ramp to 300°C at 12°C/min

3) Hold final temperature for 9.0 min

Injection Parameters: Split Ratio = 20:1, 1 μL injected

MS Parameters: Mass scan range: 30-550 amu

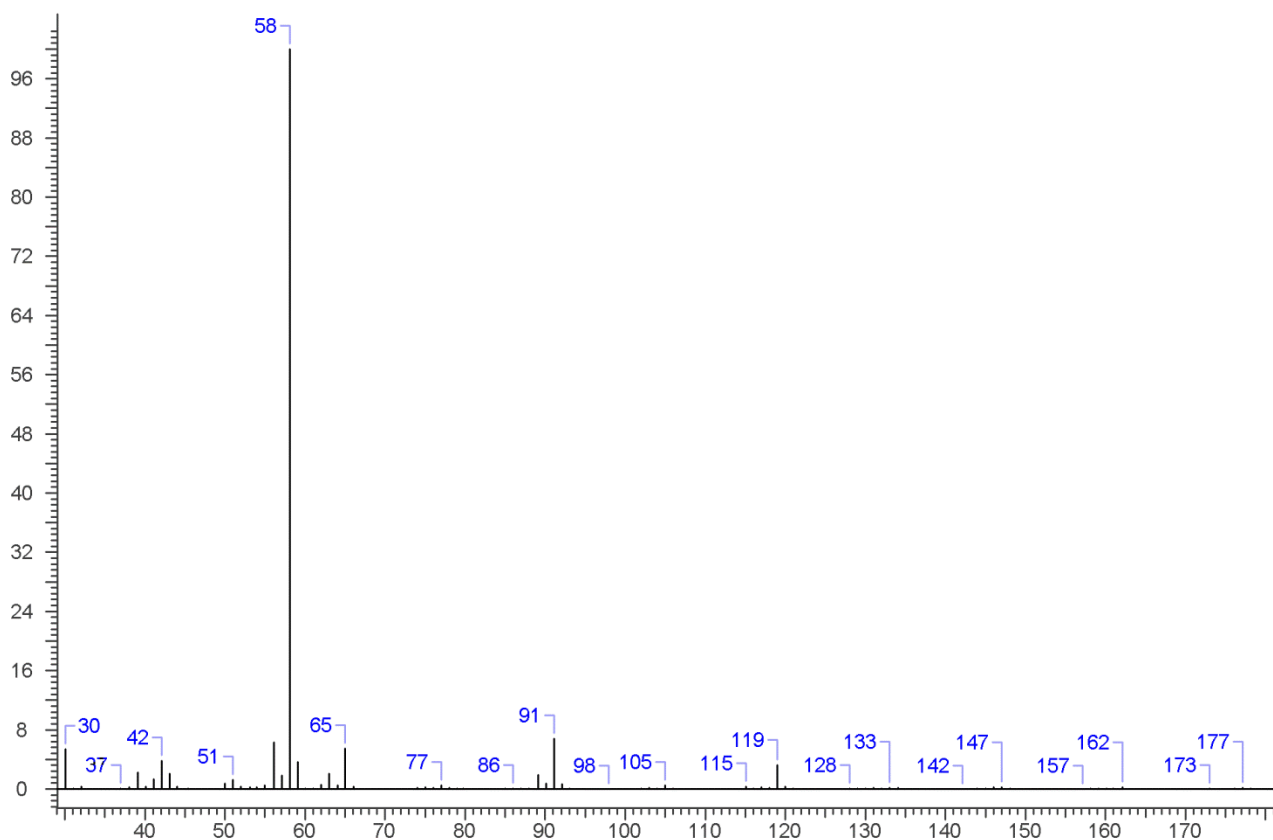
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Acquisition mode: scan

Retention Time: 7.145 minutes

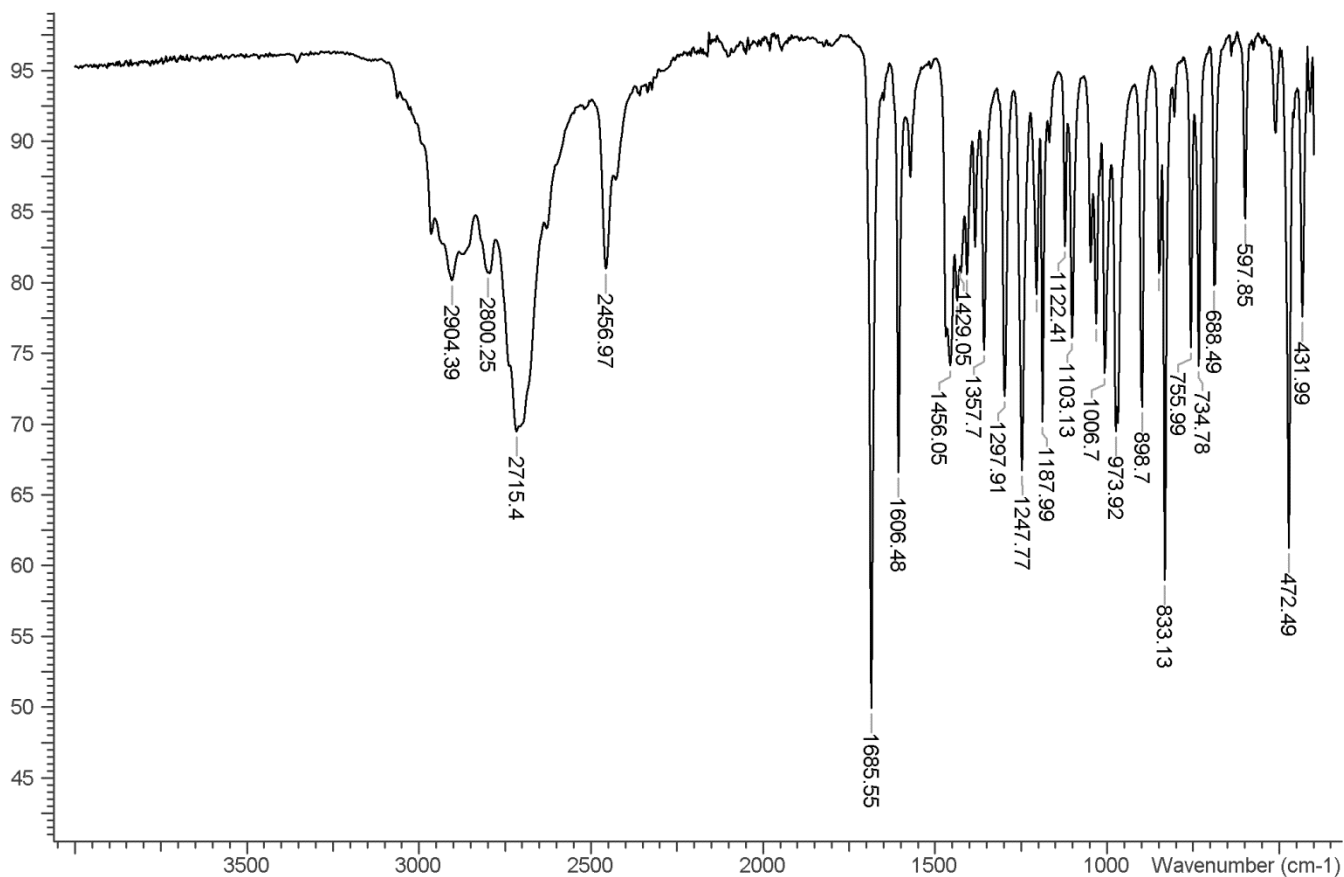
EI Mass Spectrum: 4-Methylmethcathinone HCl Lot # SF0002



4.3 INFRARED SPECTROSCOPY (FTIR)

Instrument: FTIR with diamond ATR attachment (3 bounce)
Scan Parameters: Number of scans: 32
Number of background scans: 32
Resolution: 4cm^{-1}
Sample gain: 8
Aperture: 150

FTIR ATR (Diamond, 3 Bounce): 4-Methylmethcathinone HCl Lot # SF0002



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