

# NMR crystallography

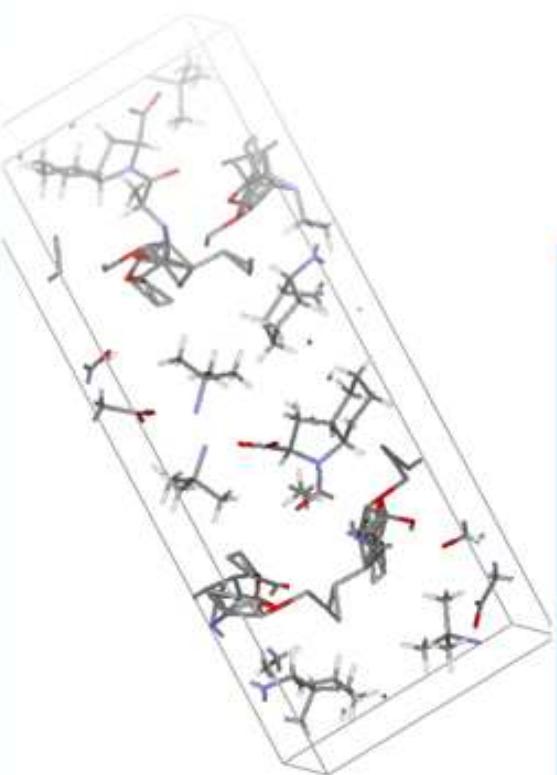
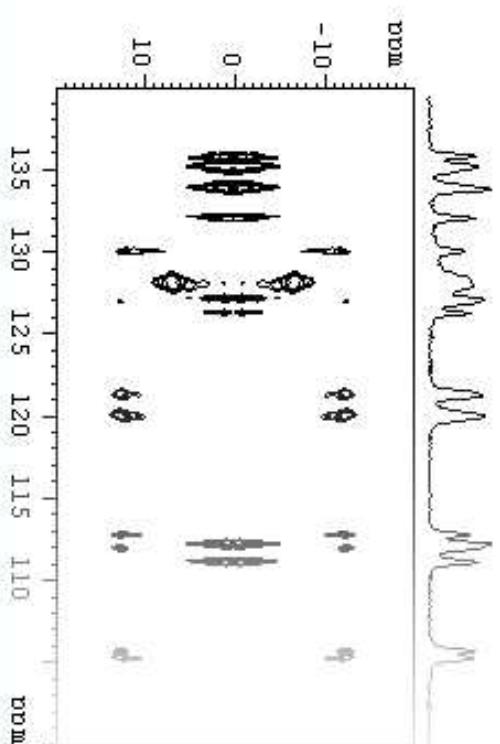
- I) Utilization of dipolar couplings for structure refinement
- II) Polymorphism and segmental dynamics



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# Solid-state NMR spectroscopy

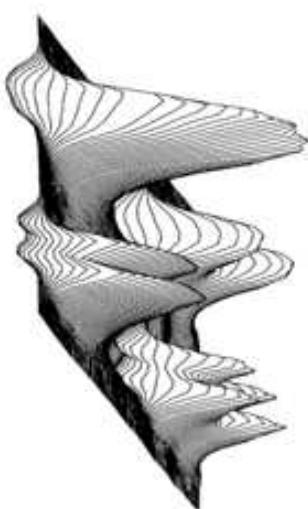
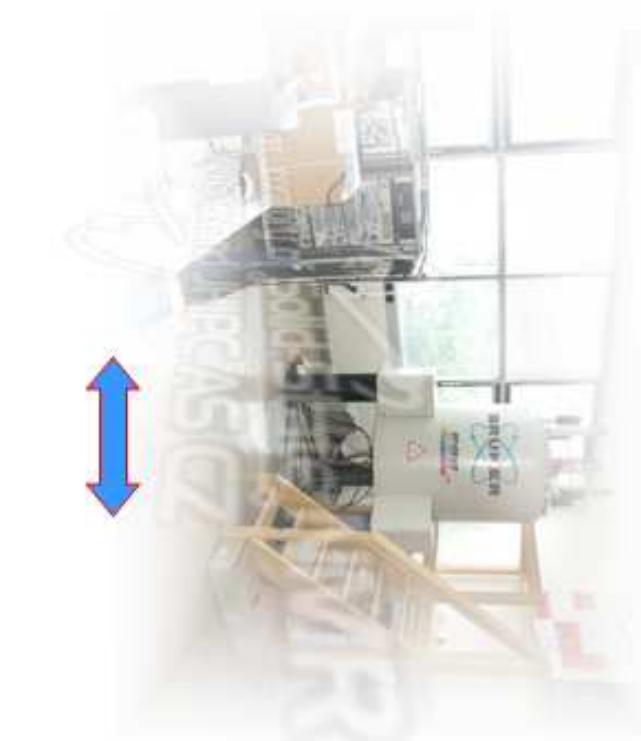
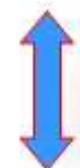
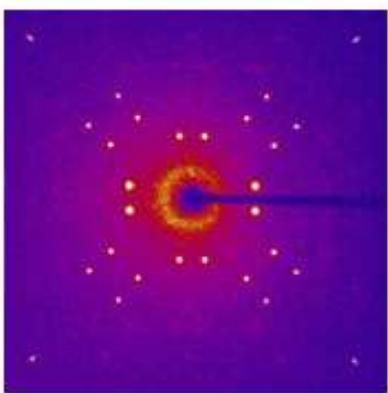
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**NMR crystallography**  
(utilization of  $^1\text{H}$  dipolar couplings)

XRD

NMR



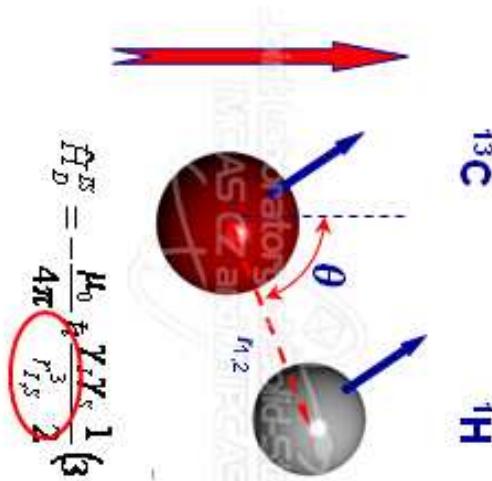
- I) New crystal forms of simvastatin
- II) New crystal form of metergoline – structural fragments and segmental dynamics
- III) Dynamic disorder and crystal stability

# NMR crystallography

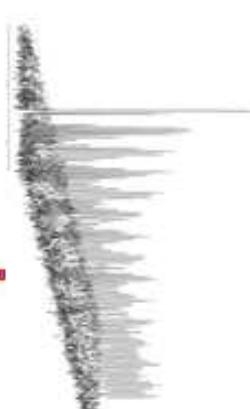
## Dipolar couplings and interatomic distances

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Dipolar oscillation of  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR signal



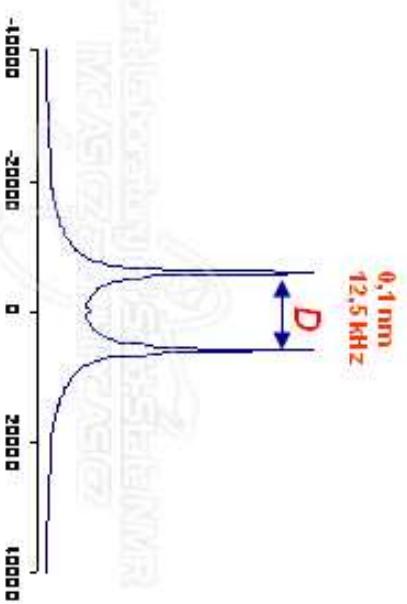
$$\hat{H}_D^S = -\frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{\gamma_1 \gamma_2}{r_{13C-H}^3} \frac{1}{2} (3 \cos^2 \theta - 1) \mathbf{p}_{13C}^* \mathbf{S}_z$$



Dipolar spectrum

0,1 nm  
12,5 kHz

D



D – dipolar coupling constant depends on  $1/r_{\text{CH}}^3$ .

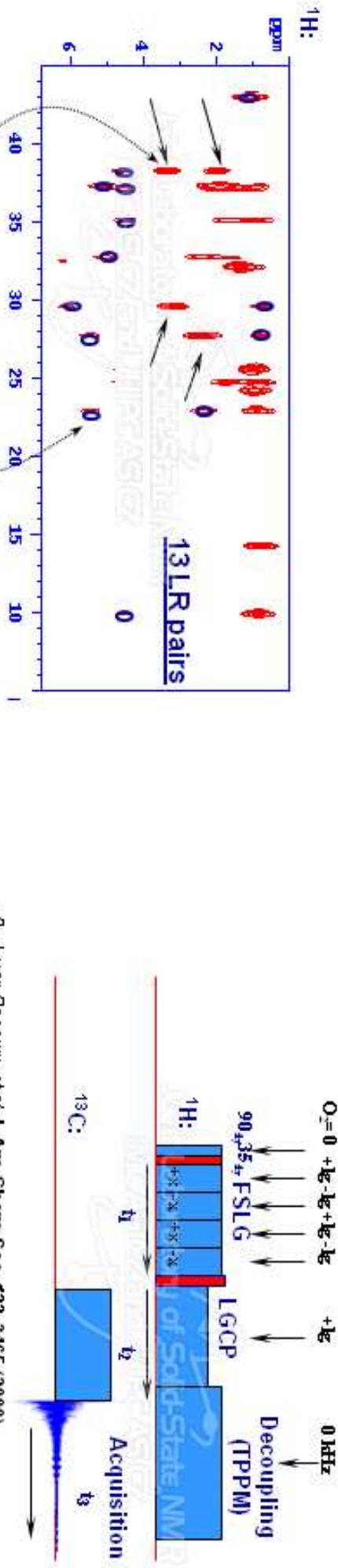
D – dipolar coupling constant should be the same for all C-H pairs in CH or CH<sub>2</sub> groups as bond length is always ca. 0.11 nm.

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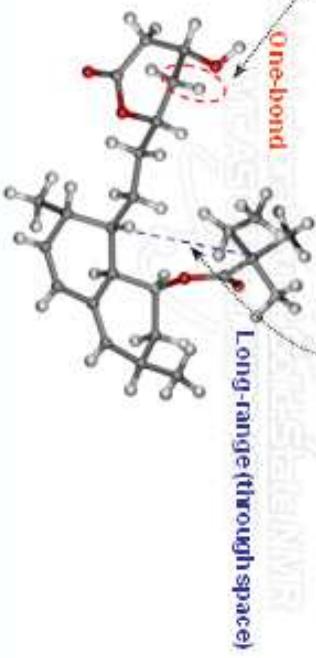
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## Dipolar couplings and interatomic distances Basic experimental approach

Standard 2D experiment  
 $^1\text{H}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$  FSLG-LGCP-HETCOR



B.-J. van Rossum, et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 122, 3465 (2000)



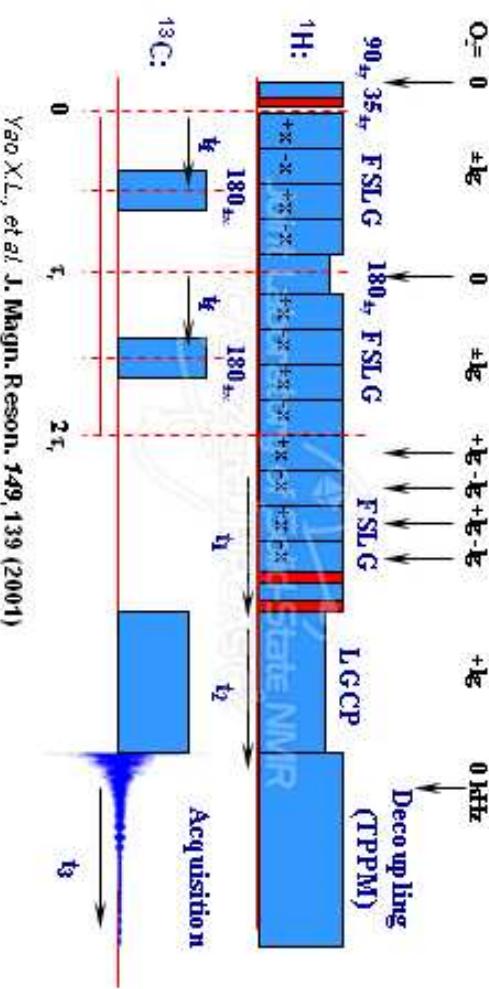
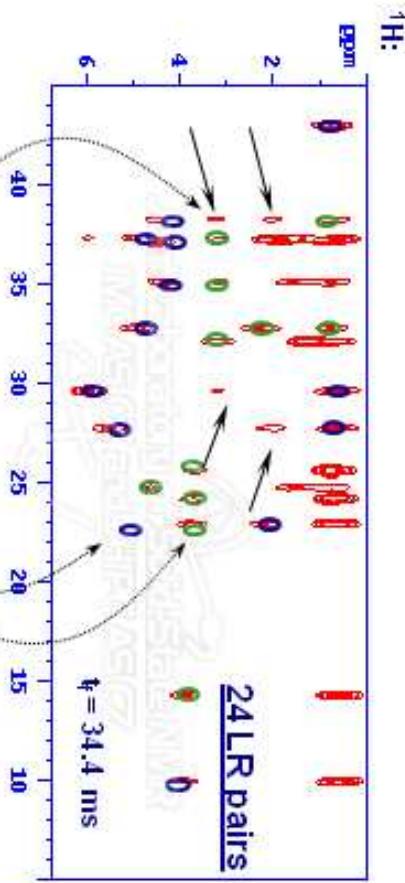
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## Dipolar couplings and interatomic distances Basic experimental approach

Extended 2D experiment  
REDOR dephased

$^1\text{H}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$  FSLG-LGCP-HETCOR

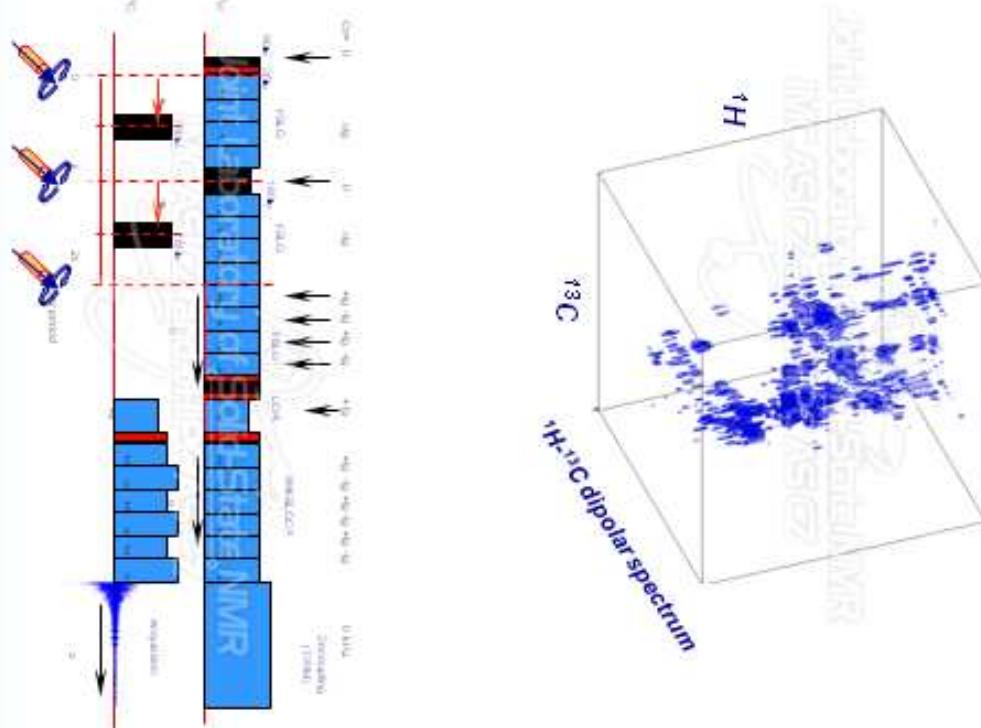
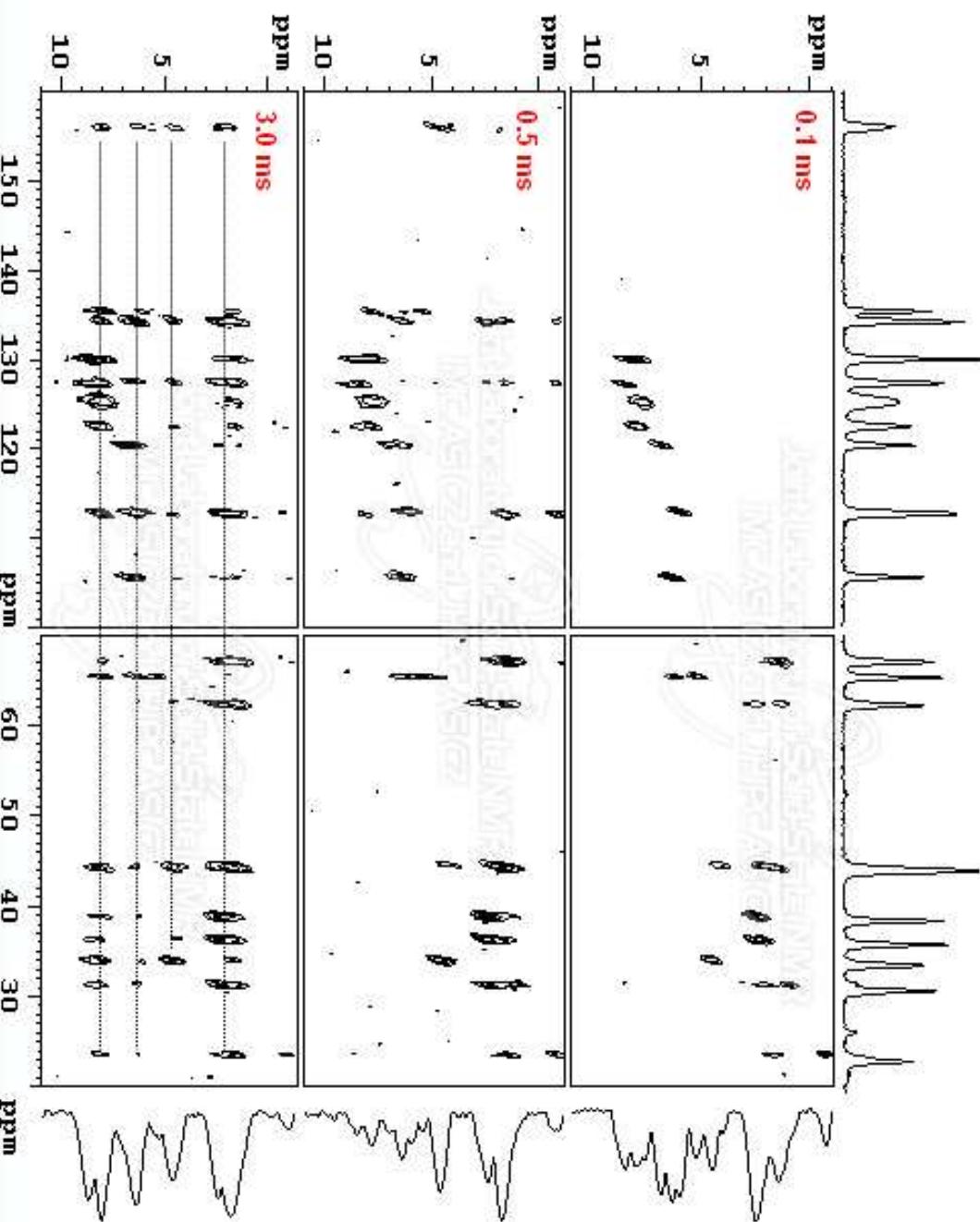


Yao X.L., et al. J. Magn. Reson. 149, 139 (2001)

# NMR crystallography

Dipolar couplings and interatomic distances  
Basic experimental approach

"3D" experiment



# New low-temperature polymorphs of simvastatin

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## DSC measurement

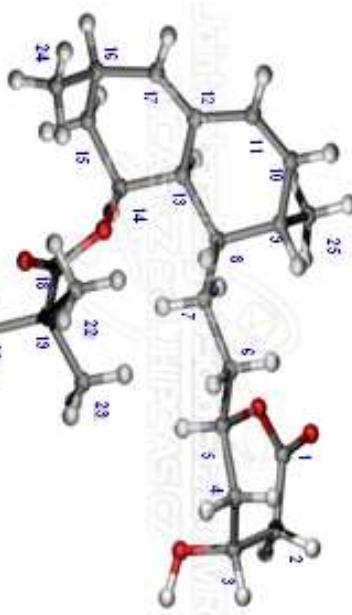
### Simvastatin (Zocor®)

Merck

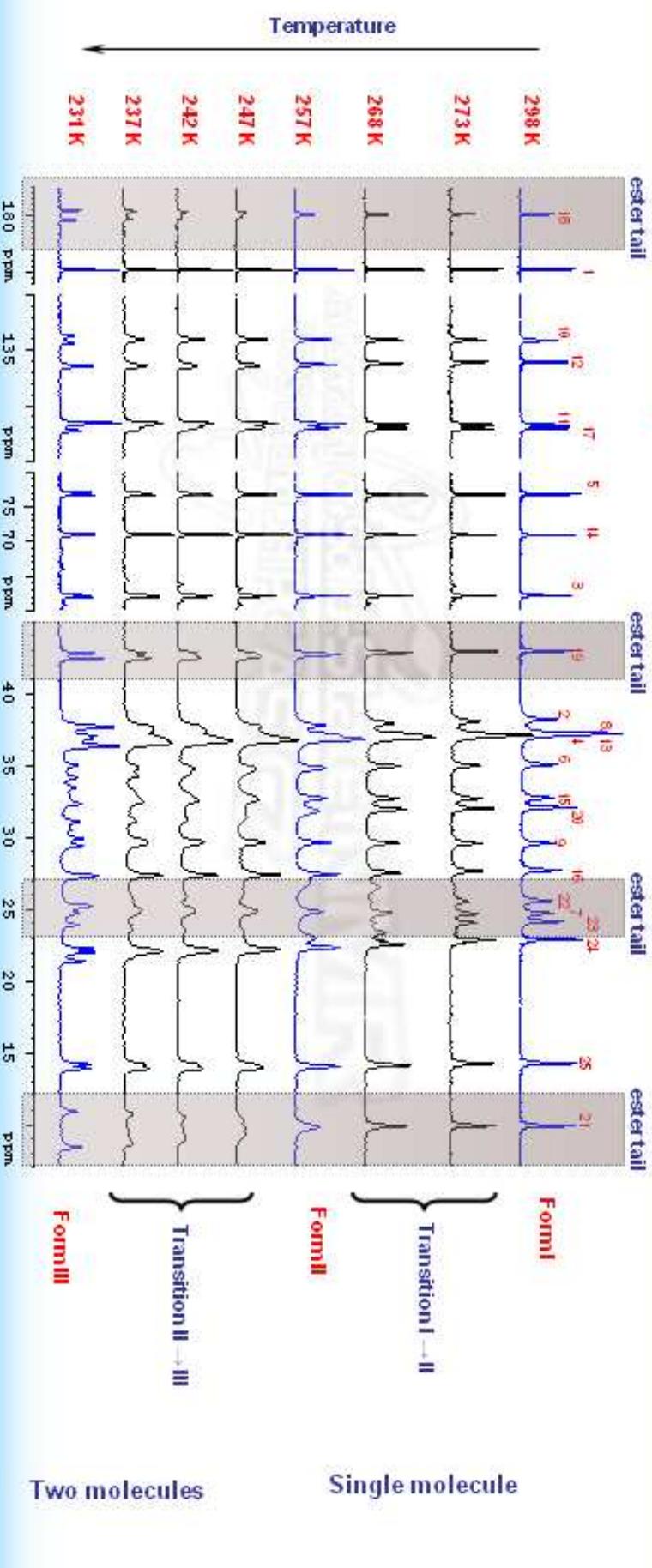


"Every compound has different polymorphic forms, and that, in general, the number of forms known for a given compound is proportional to the time and money spent in research on that compound"

McCrone, W. 1963



## VT<sup>13</sup>C CP/MAS NMR



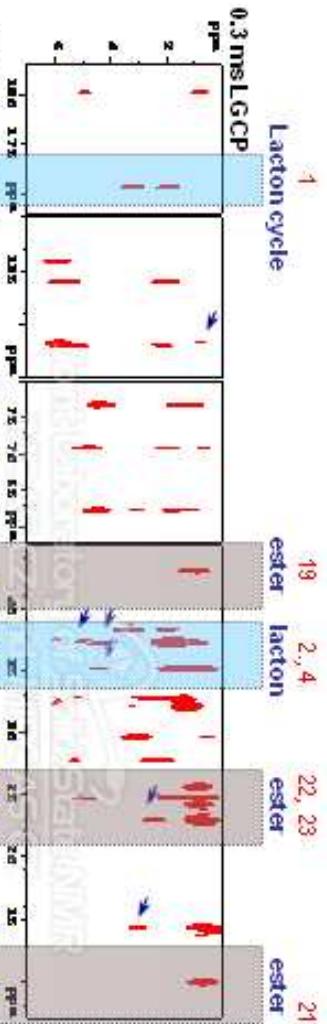
# Low-temperature polymorphs of simvastatin

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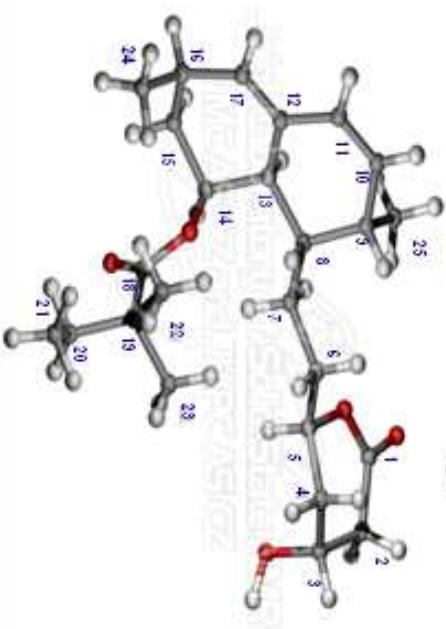
Form II

Resulting conformation differences of the ester tail

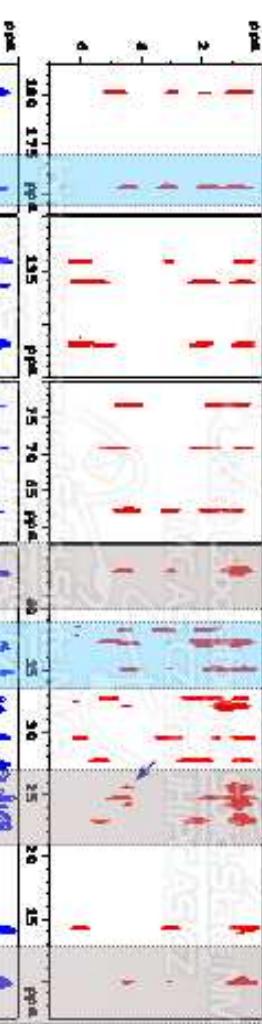
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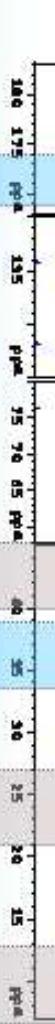
23g+22g



Form I

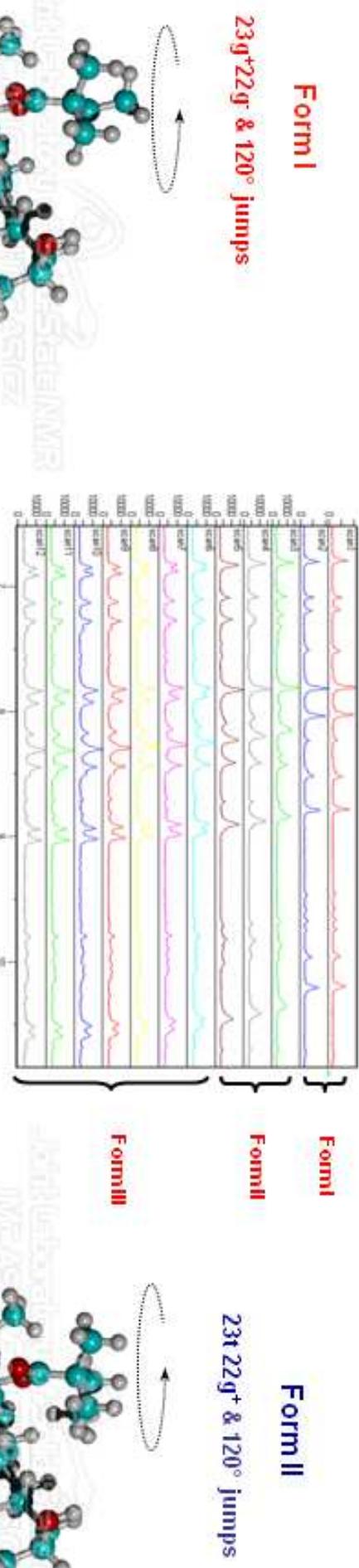


Form II



# Conformational polymorphism of simvastatin

## Structure refinement of PXRD data



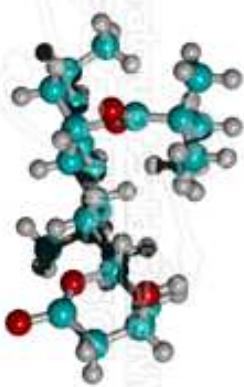
PXRD

Refined structure – Form I



PXRD

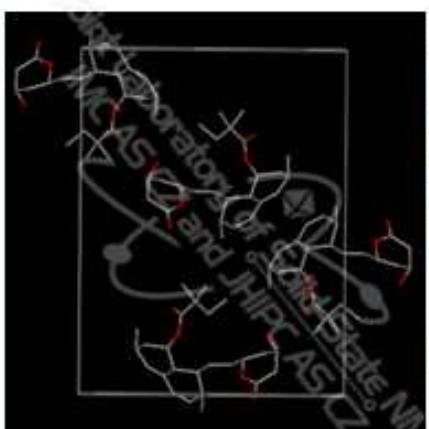
Refined structure – Form II



Form I – dynamic disorder of the ester tail in the conformation 23g+22g

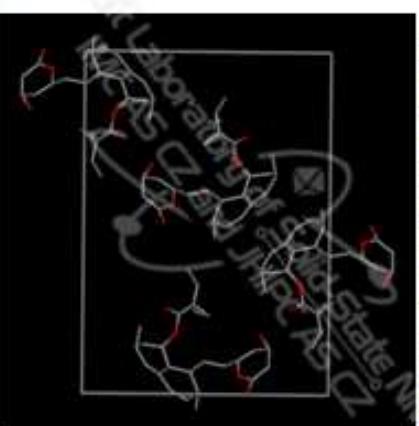
Form II – dynamic disorder of the ester tail in the conformation 23t 22g+

Form III – two static positions of the ester tail in the conformation 23t 22g+



PXRD

Refined structure – Form III

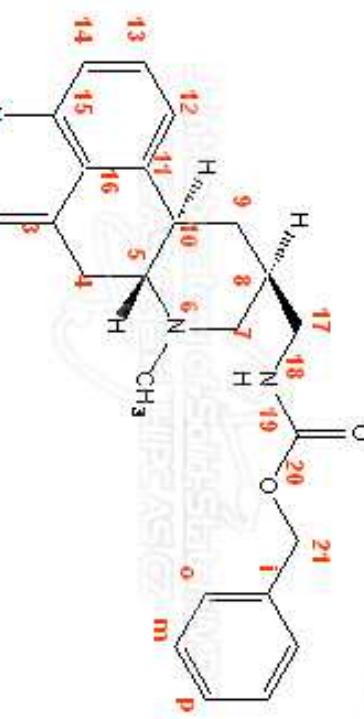


# Polymerism of metrgoline

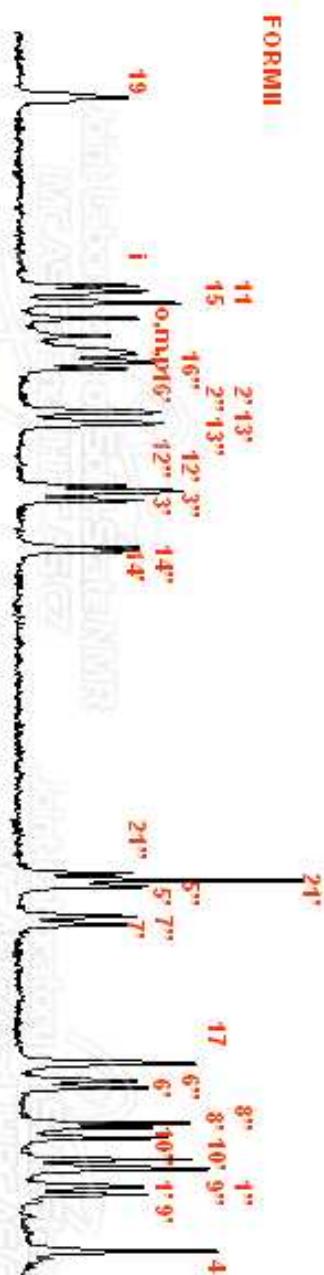
## Metergoline (Contralac®)

Virbac AG

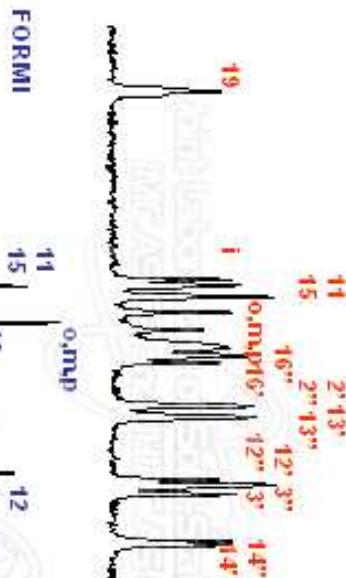
Metergoline, a prolactin (PRL)-lowering drug with an antiemetic/antidiarrhoeal activity is usually used for migraine therapy.



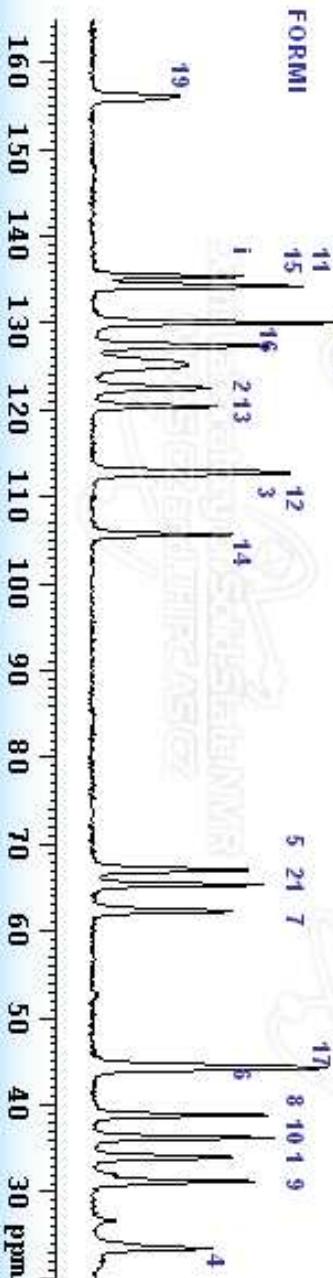
<sup>13</sup>C CP/MAS NMR



FORMII



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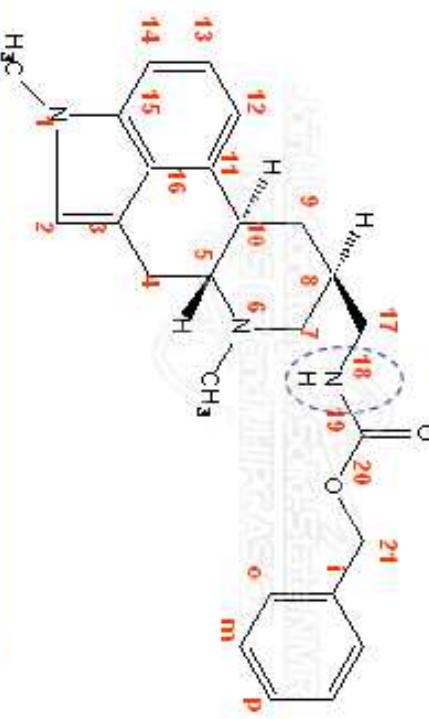


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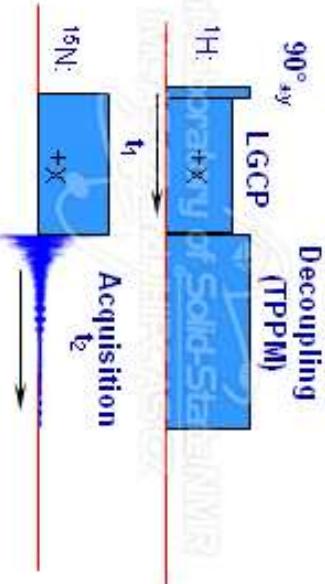
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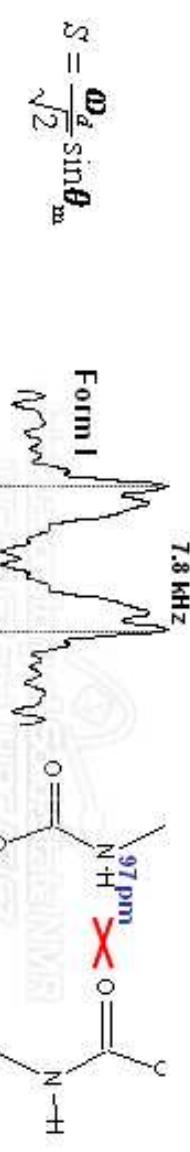
## Hydrogen bonding



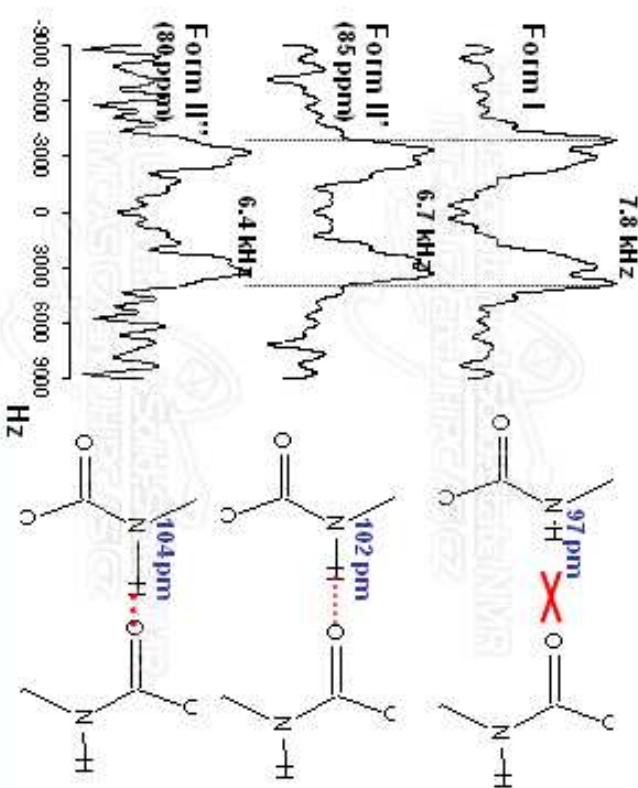
## $^1\text{H}$ - $^{15}\text{N}$ dipolar spectra



## $^1\text{H}$ - $^{15}\text{N}$ distance

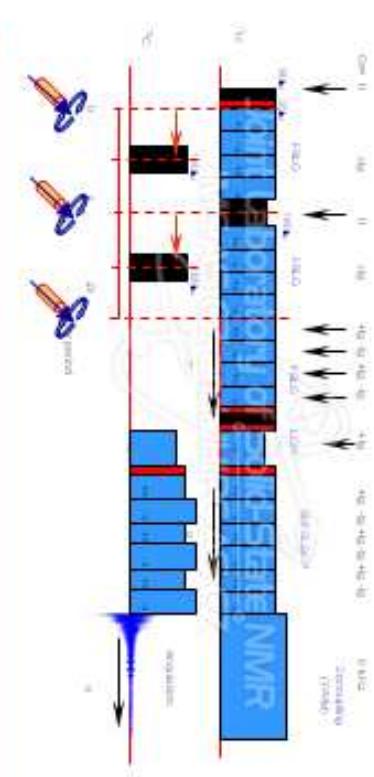
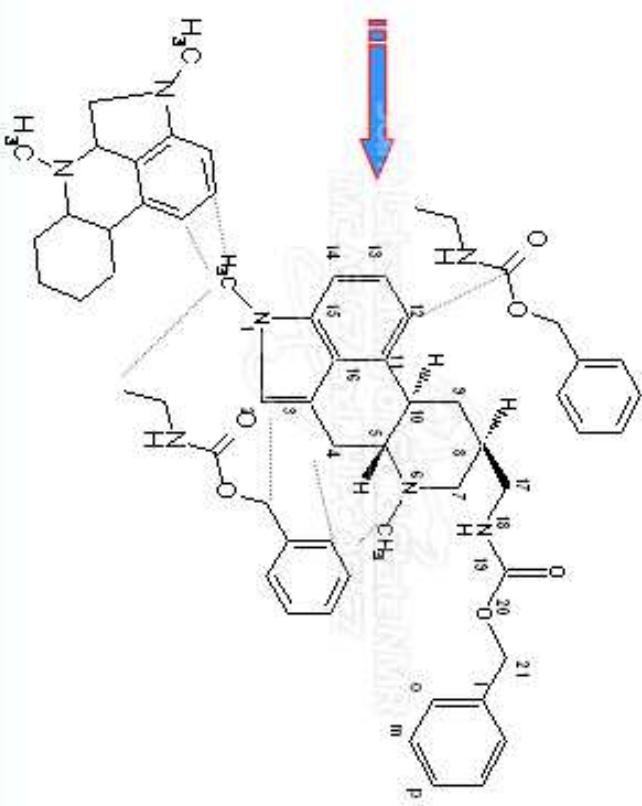
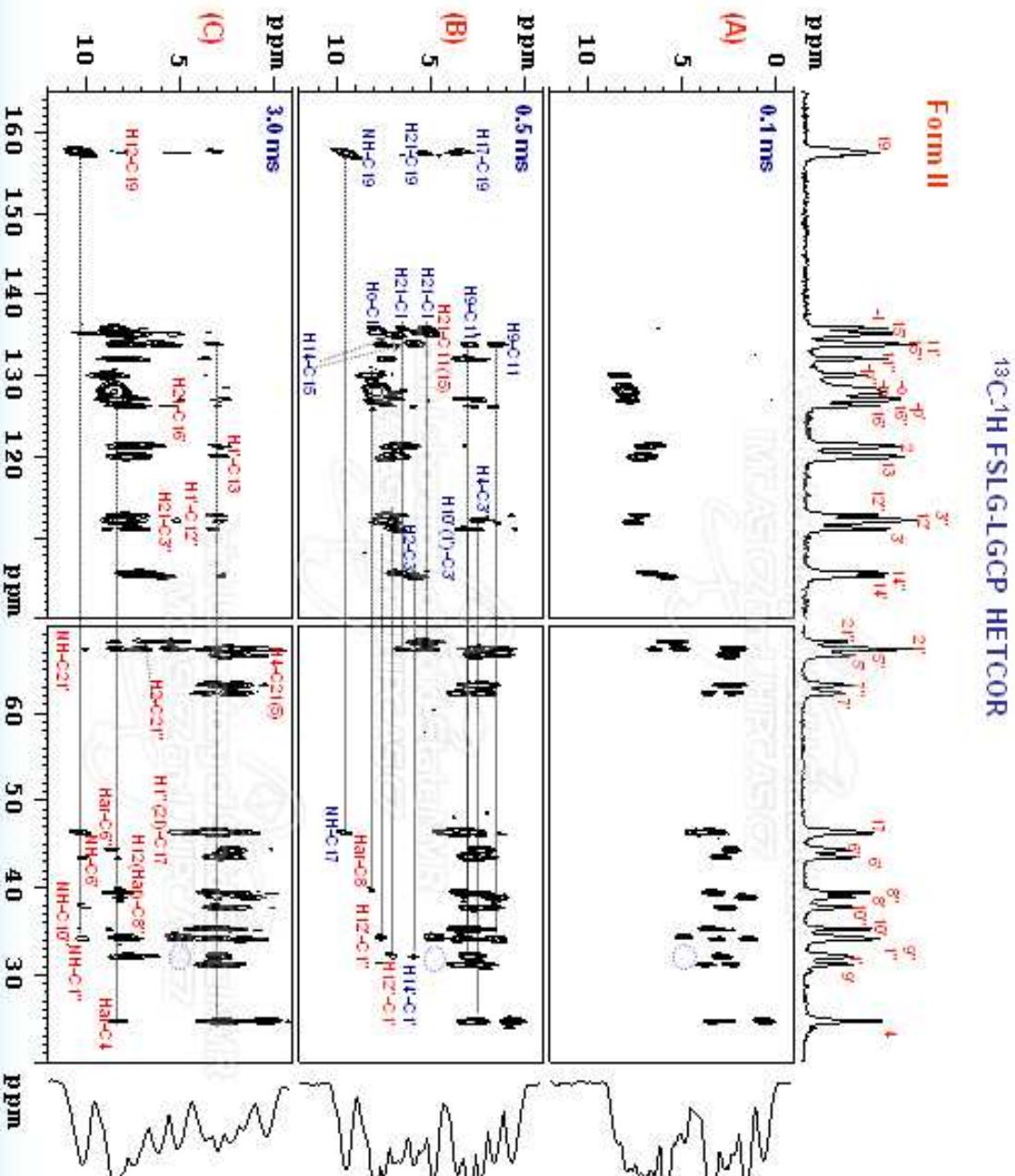


N-H group



# Polymerism of metrgoline

## Structural fragments



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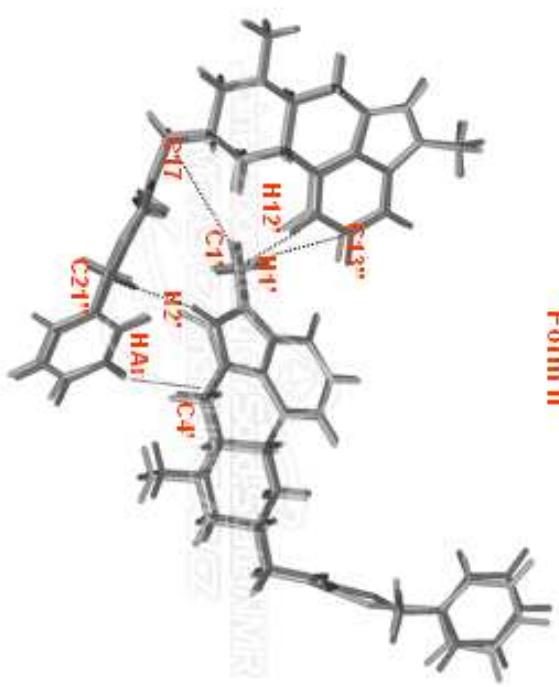
# Polymorphism of metrgoline

Structural fragments  
Comparison with PXRD results

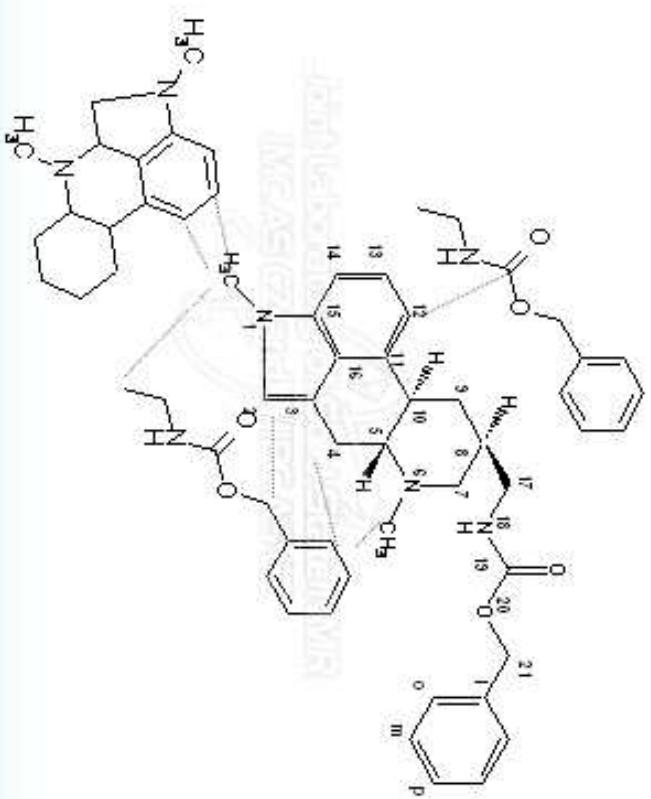


PXRD and single crystal x-ray

Form II



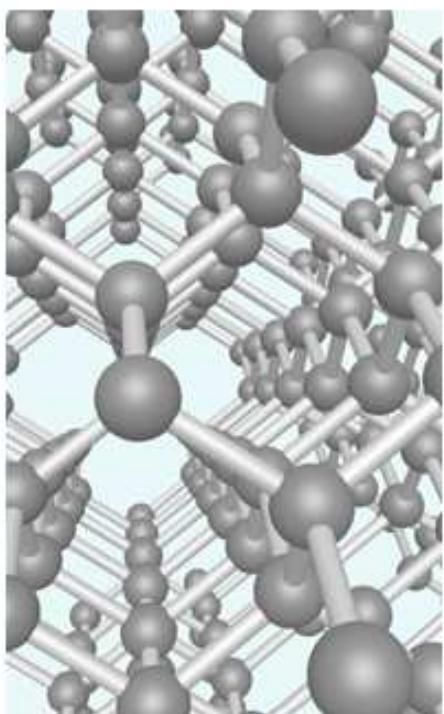
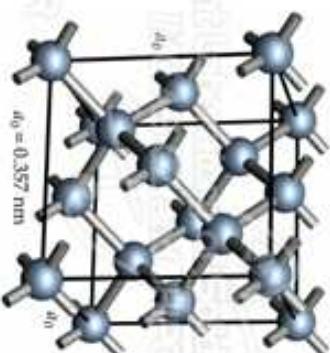
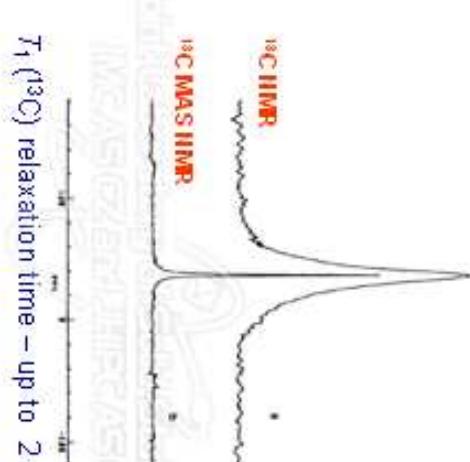
ssNMR



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Completely immobilized carbon atoms

Diamond



„Diamond is the best friend of woman“  
(James Bond, 1971, „Diamonds are forever“).

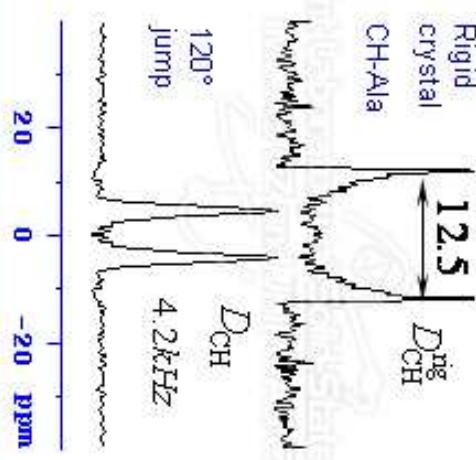


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## Dipolar couplings and segmental dynamics

### Dipolar spectrum



$$\text{Order parameter} \quad S_{\text{CH}} = \frac{D_{\text{CH}}}{D_{\text{CH}}^{\text{rig}}} = \frac{D_{\text{CH}}}{12.5(\text{kHz})}$$

$$S_{\text{CH}}^2 = 1 - \frac{3}{2} \langle \theta^2 \rangle$$

Uniaxial rotational diffusion motion

$$S^2 = 1 - 3 \sin^2 \theta [\cos^2 \theta (-\exp [-\sigma_f^2]) + 0.25 \sin^2 \theta (-\exp [-4\sigma_f^2])]$$

Motion on the cone in parabolic potential

### Motional models



### Uniaxial rotational diffusion motion

Motion on the cone in parabolic potential

### Fastjumps

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## Differences in segmental dynamics



$^1\text{H}$ - $^{13}\text{C}$  dipolar spectra

Order parameter: **S=0.51**  
Motional model:  $S_{CH}^2 = \sum_{i,j=1}^N p_i p_j P_2(\cos \theta_{ij})$   
(fast jumps)

Average fluctuation angle:  $\theta_{ij} = 126^\circ$



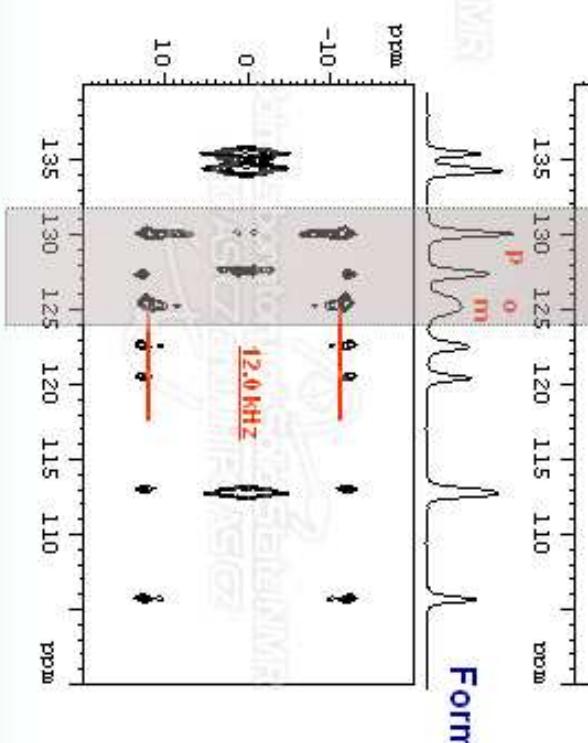
## Form I

Order parameter: **S=0.92**

Motional model:  $S^2 = 1 - 3 \sin^2 \theta \{ \cos^2 \theta [1 - \exp(-\sigma_f^2)] + 0.25 \sin^2 \theta [1 - \exp(-4\sigma_f^2)] \}$   
(motion on the cone in parabolic potential)

Average fluctuation angle:  $\sigma = 16^\circ, \theta_0 = 60^\circ$

Small-amplitude 16° oscillation along (1,4) axis



# Dipolar spectra & ssNMR crystallography

## Summary

- I) Conformation of single molecule
- II) Fragments of molecular arrangement
- III) Input data for refinement of PXRD results
- IV) Segmental dynamics and motional amplitudes
- V) And what about practical results?  
Is there any connection between molecular properties determined by ssNMR and macroscopic behavior of API's?

# Dipolar spectra & ssNMR crystallography



## Dynamic disorder and crystal stability



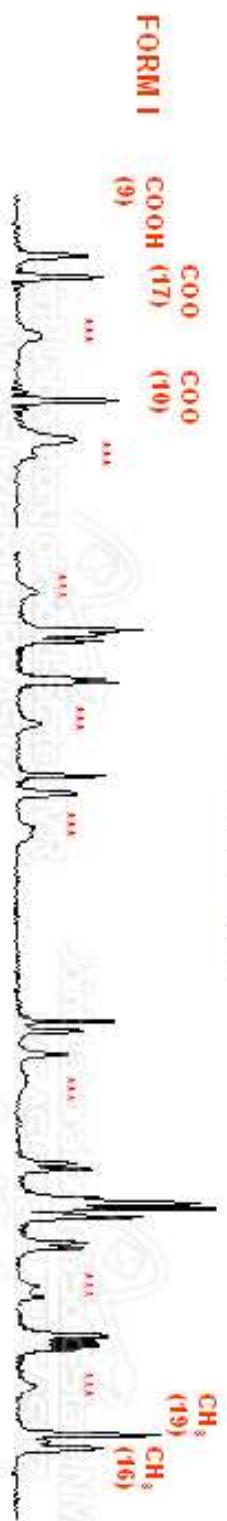
**Form I**

thermodynamically most stable form - prepared by slow crystallization from aprotic solvents or by moderate short-term heating of other forms (always broad and narrow signals detected in NMR spectra)

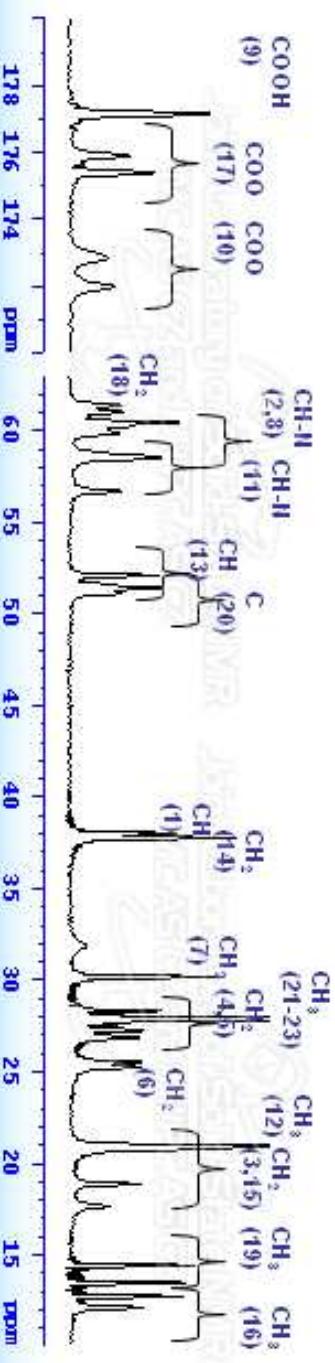
**Form II**

less stable form containing two symmetry independent molecules in the crystal unit, irreversibly converts to the Form I

$^{13}\text{C}$  CP/MAS NMR



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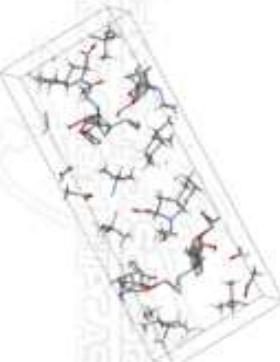
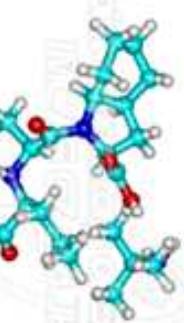
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## Dynamic disorder and crystal stability



**Form I**  
ca. 30% of molecules have undefined conformation,  
the observed disorder is dynamic (high amplitude  
segmental motion is detected)

Order parameter: (determined from dipolar spectra)

$$S = (0.36) \text{ } 0.55 \text{ - } 0.94$$

Rotational diffusion motion model:  $S_{cr} = 1 - \frac{3}{2} \langle \theta^2 \rangle$

Average fluctuation angle of disordered fractions:

$$\theta = 30^\circ - 40^\circ$$

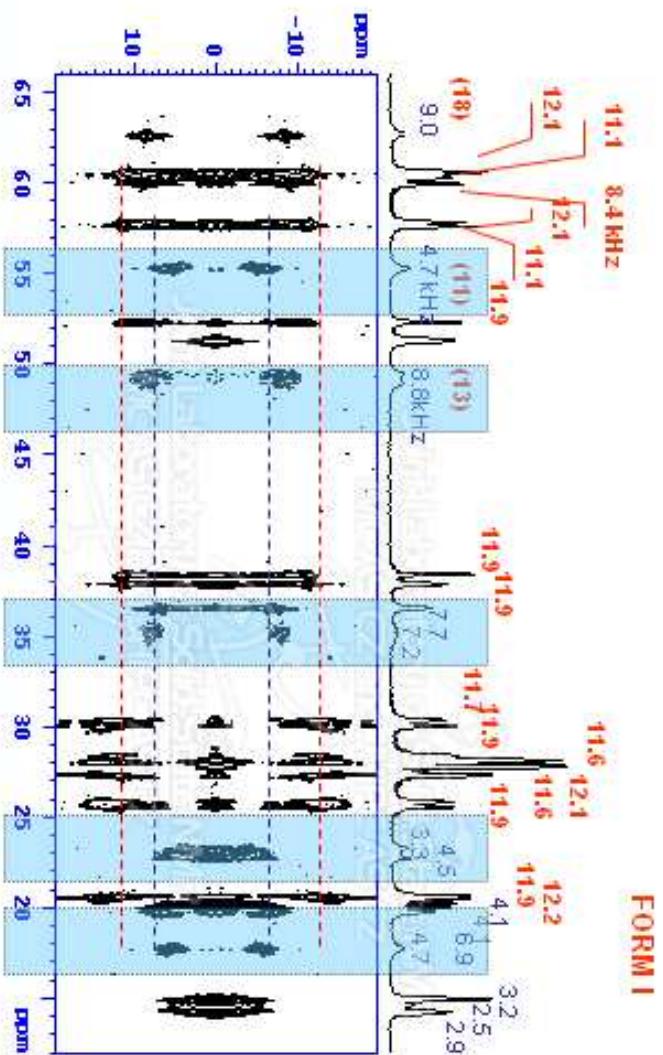
## Upper bound of Gibbs energy

$$\Delta G = -kT \sum_n \ln \left( \frac{1 - S_{nl}^2}{1 - S_{nl}} \right)$$

**transition: Form II  $\rightarrow$  Form I**

(i.e. increase in conformation entropy at given temperature, stabilization energy)

$$\Delta G = -6.7 \text{ kJ/mol}$$



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