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Lithium Diisopropylamide:
Oligomer Structures at Low Ligand Concentrations.

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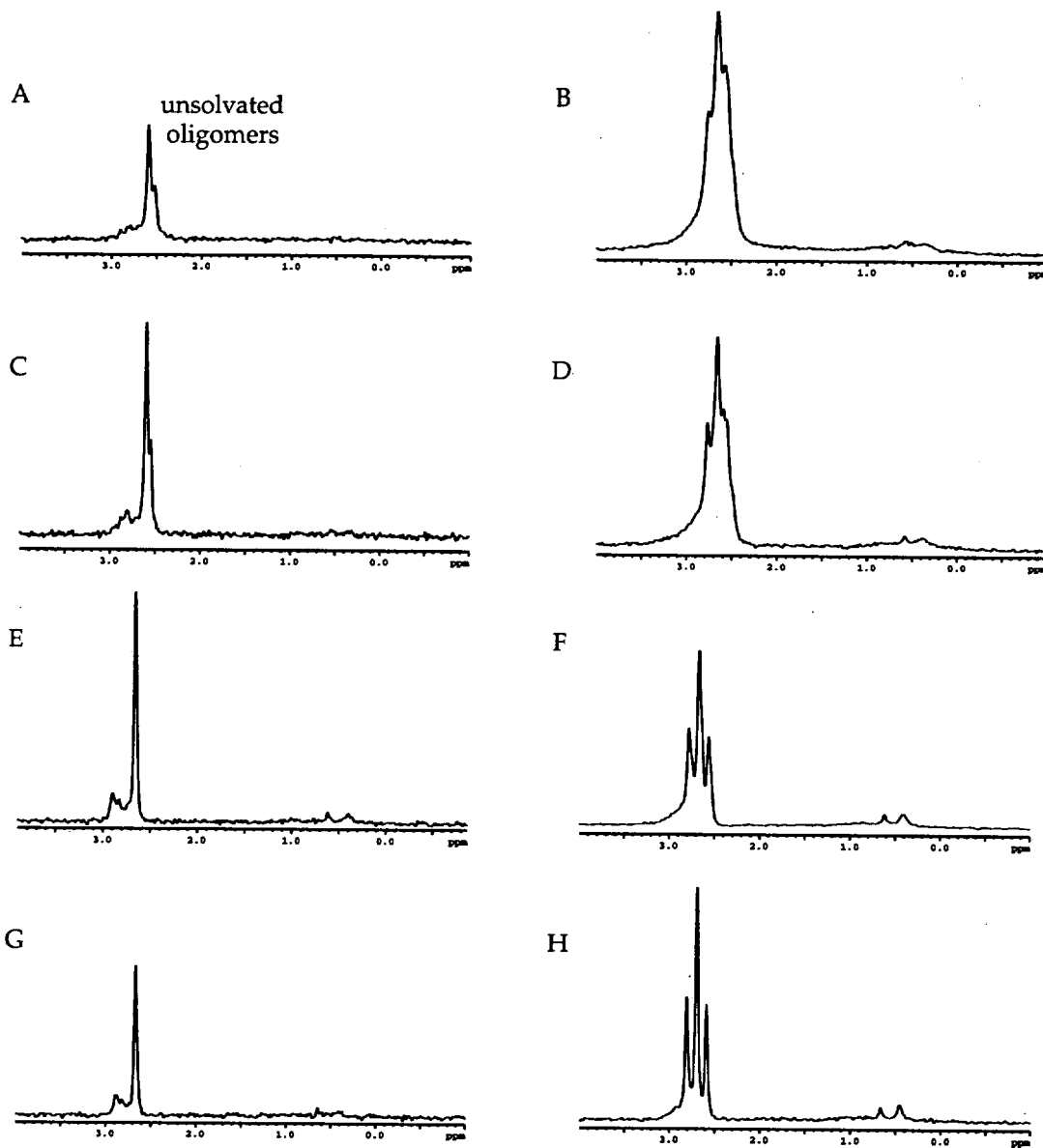


Figure I. ${}^6\text{Li}$ NMR spectra of 0.1 M $[{}^6\text{Li},{}^{15}\text{N}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ in 3:2 pentane:toluene: (A) ${}^6\text{Li}\{{}^{15}\text{N}\}$ spectrum at $-135\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$; (B) ${}^6\text{Li}$ spectrum at $-135\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$; (C) ${}^6\text{Li}\{{}^{15}\text{N}\}$ spectrum at $-127\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$; (D) ${}^6\text{Li}$ spectrum at $-127\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$; (E) ${}^6\text{Li}\{{}^{15}\text{N}\}$ spectrum at $-110\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$; (F) ${}^6\text{Li}$ spectrum at $-110\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$; (G) ${}^6\text{Li}\{{}^{15}\text{N}\}$ spectrum at $-100\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$; (H) ${}^6\text{Li}$ spectrum at $-100\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.

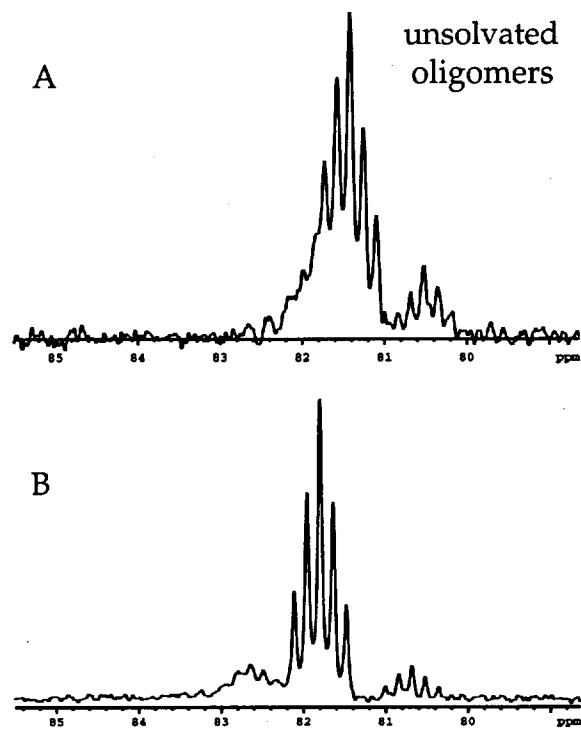


Figure II. ^{15}N NMR spectra of 0.1 M $[^6\text{Li},^{15}\text{N}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ in 3:2 pentane:toluene: (A) $^{15}\text{N}\{^1\text{H}\}$ spectrum at $-127\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$; (B) $^{15}\text{N}\{^1\text{H}\}$ spectrum at $-100\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.

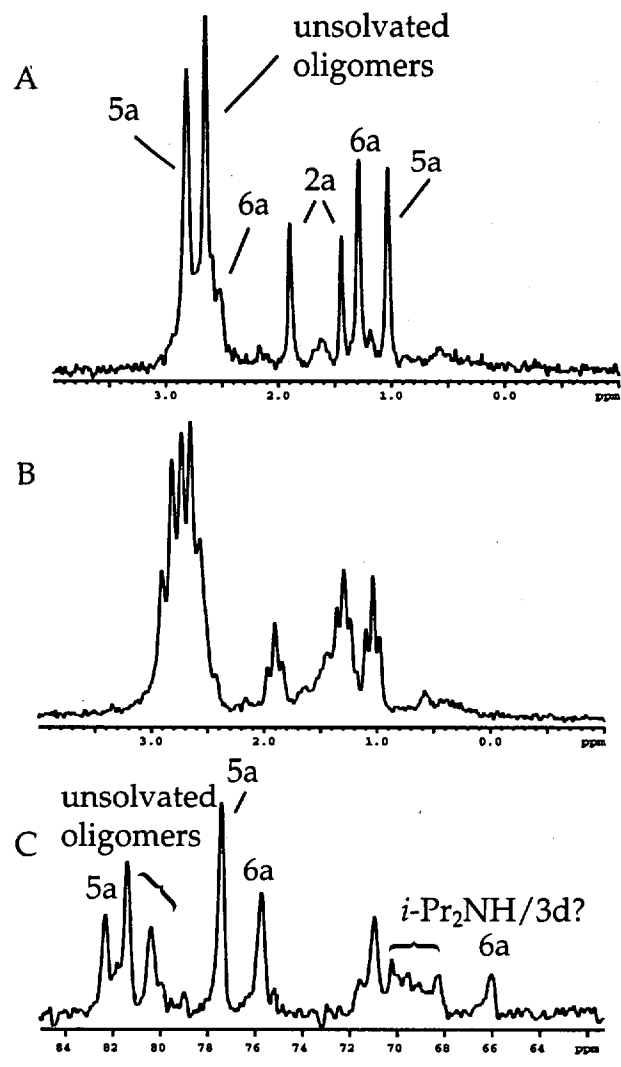


Figure III. ${}^6\text{Li}$ and ${}^{15}\text{N}$ NMR spectra of 0.1 M $[{}^6\text{Li}, {}^{15}\text{N}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ in 3:2 pentane:toluene with 0.25 equiv of oxetane at $-135\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$: (A) ${}^6\text{Li}\{{}^{15}\text{N}\}$ spectrum; (B) ${}^6\text{Li}$ spectrum; (C) ${}^{15}\text{N}\{{}^1\text{H}, {}^6\text{Li}\}$ spectrum.

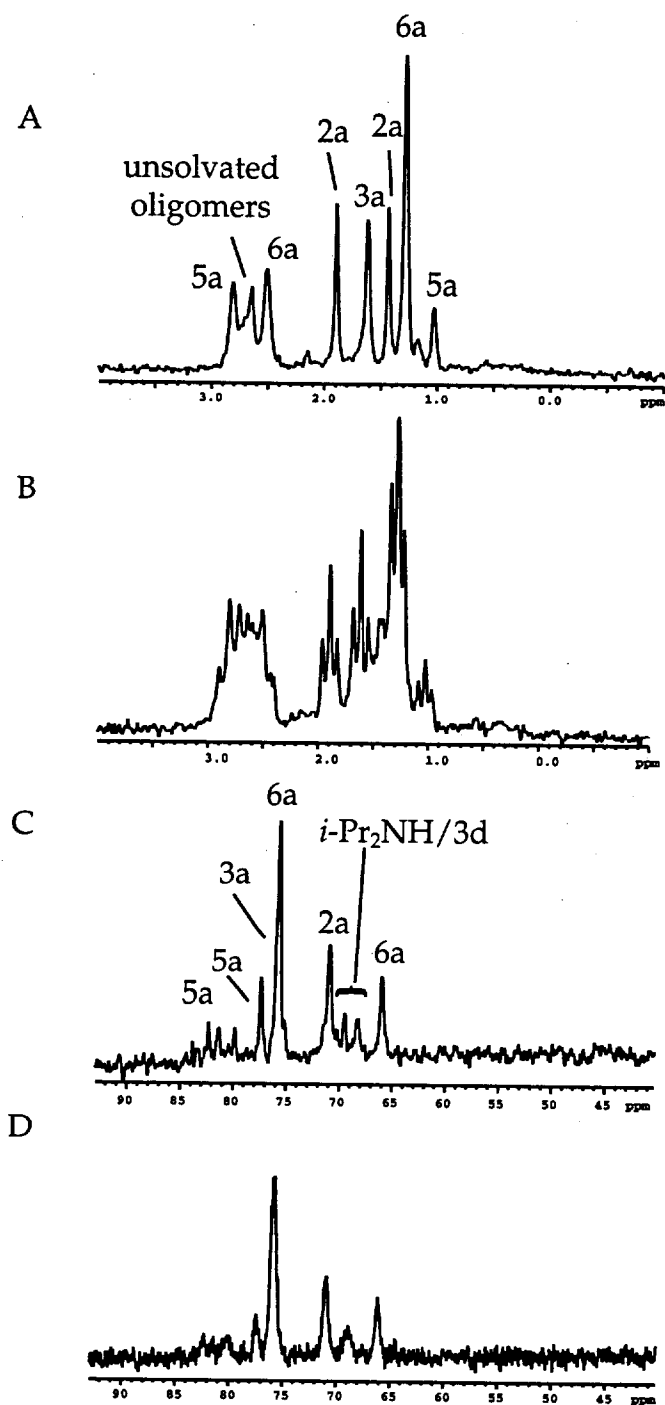


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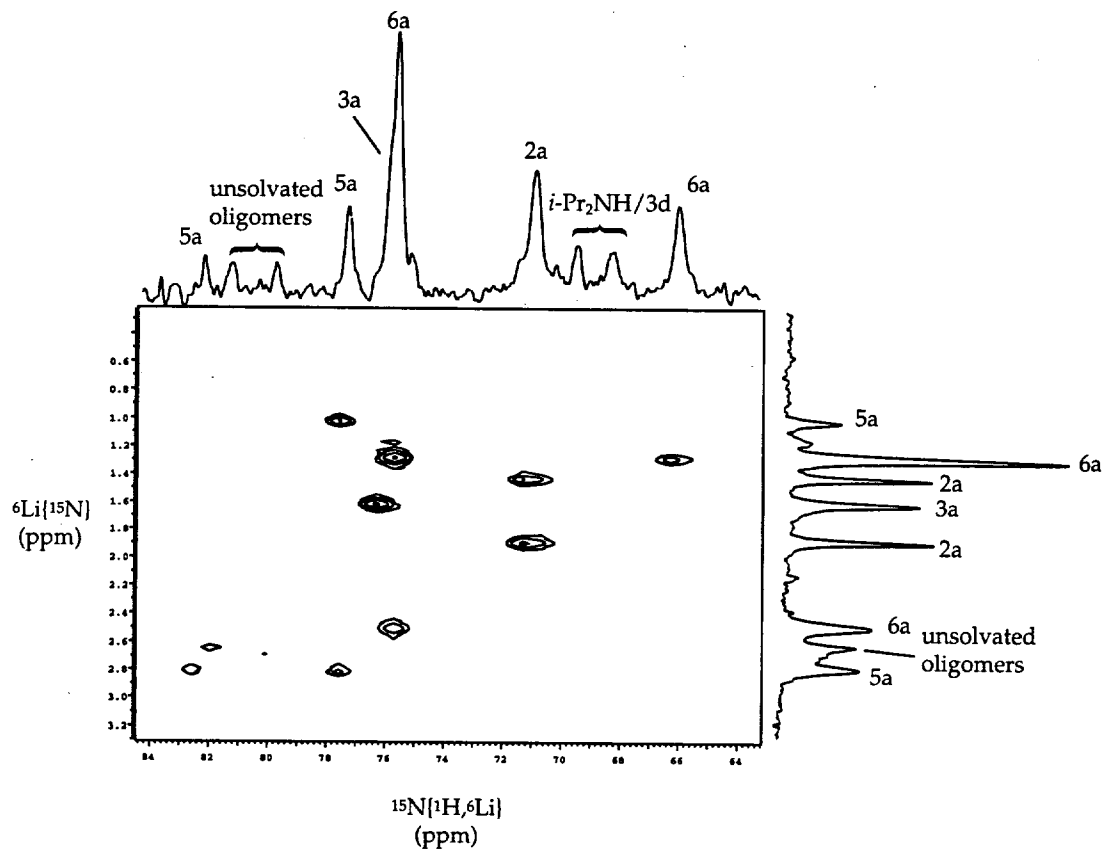


Figure V. ${}^6\text{Li}, {}^{15}\text{N}$ -heteronuclear multiple quantum correlation (HMQC) spectrum of 0.1 M $[{}^6\text{Li}, {}^{15}\text{N}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ in 3:2 pentane:toluene with 0.5 equiv of oxetane at $-135\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.

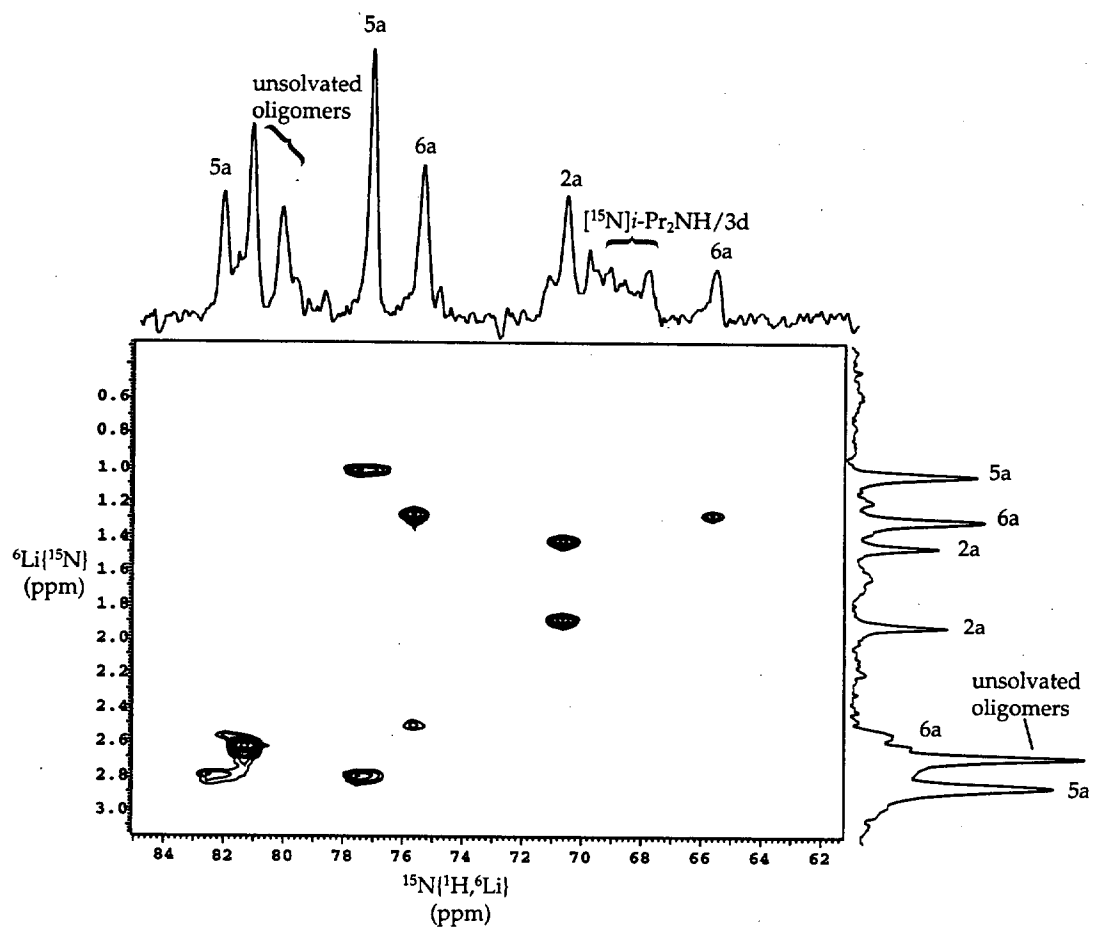


Figure VI. $^6\text{Li},^{15}\text{N}$ -heteronuclear multiple quantum correlation (HMQC) spectrum of 0.1 M $^{6}\text{Li},^{15}\text{N}$]LDA in 3:2 pentane:toluene with 0.25 equiv of oxetane at $-135\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.

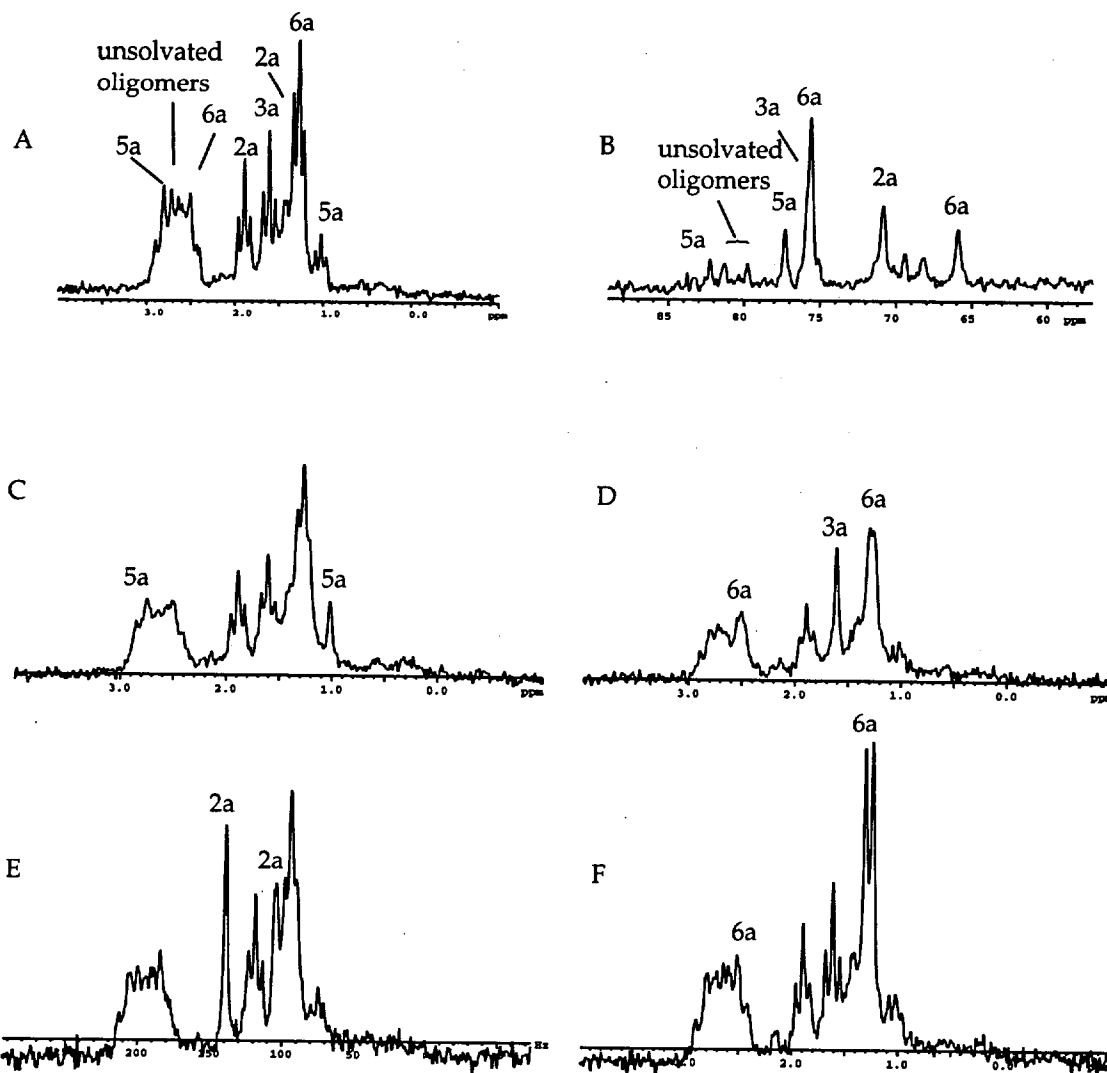


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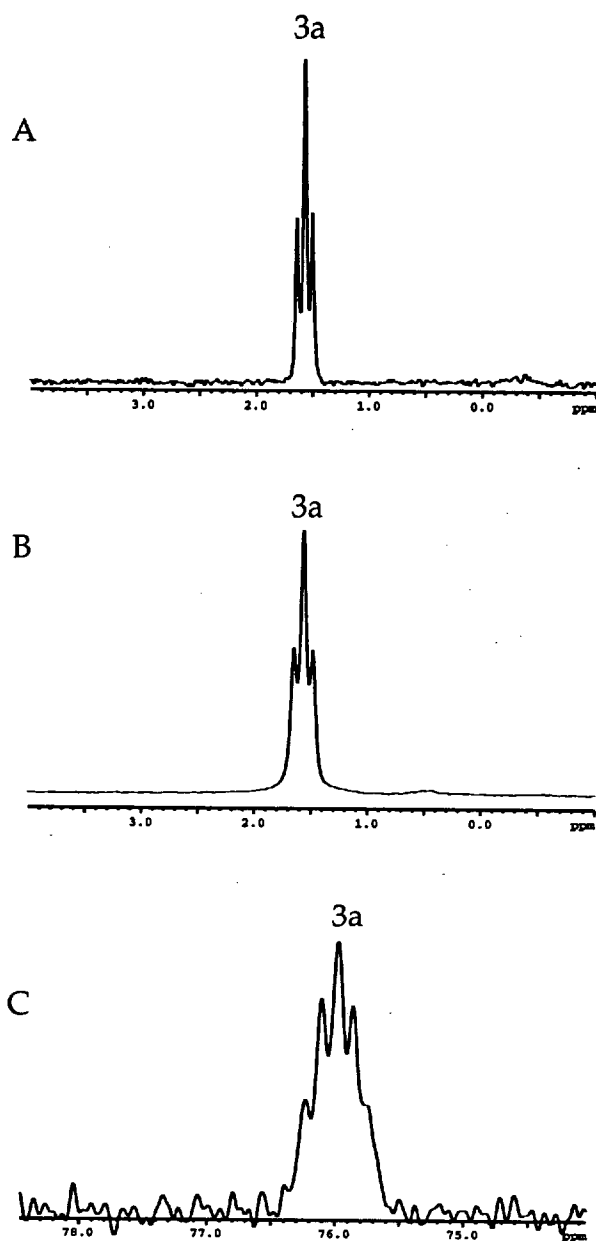


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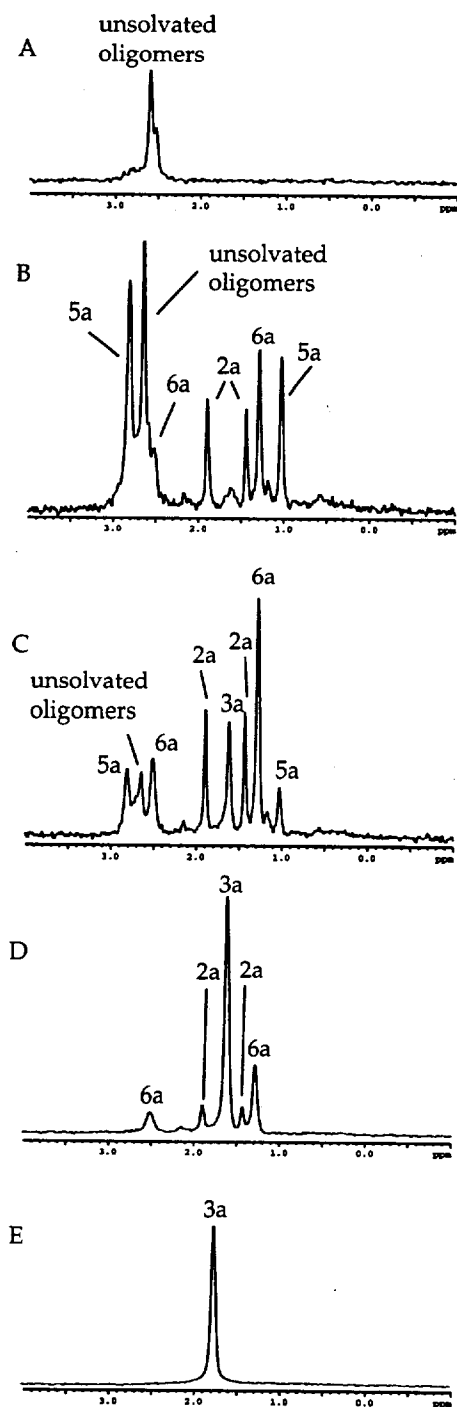


Figure IX. ${}^6\text{Li}\{^{15}\text{N}\}$ NMR spectra of 0.1 M $[\text{}^6\text{Li},^{15}\text{N}]\text{LDA}$ in 3:2 pentane:toluene at $-135\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ with: (A) no added ligand; (B) 0.25 equiv oxetane; (C) 0.5 equiv oxetane; (D) 0.75 equiv oxetane; (E) 1.0 equiv oxetane.

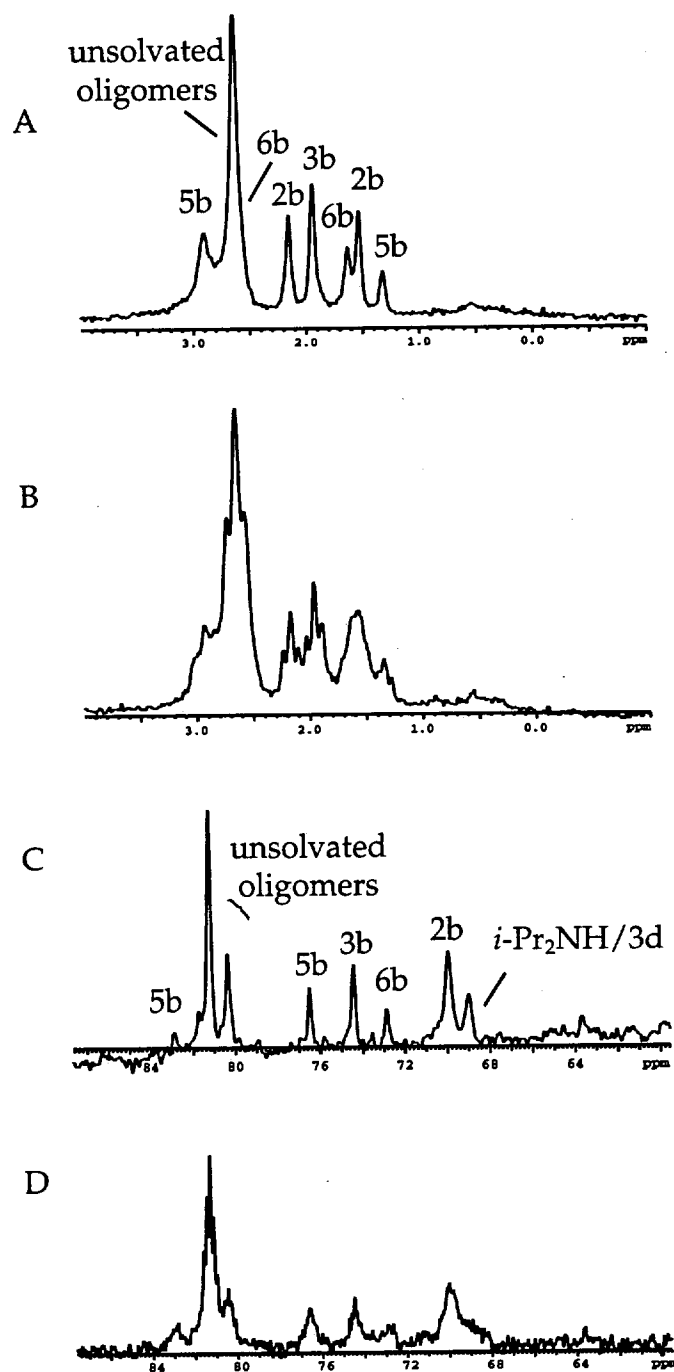


Figure X. ^6Li and ^{15}N NMR spectra of 0.1 M $[^6\text{Li},^{15}\text{N}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ in 3:2 pentane:toluene with 0.25 equiv of THF at -135°C : (A) $^6\text{Li}\{^{15}\text{N}\}$ spectrum; (B) ^6Li spectrum; (C) $^{15}\text{N}\{^1\text{H}, ^6\text{Li}\}$ spectrum; (D) $^{15}\text{N}\{^1\text{H}\}$ spectrum.

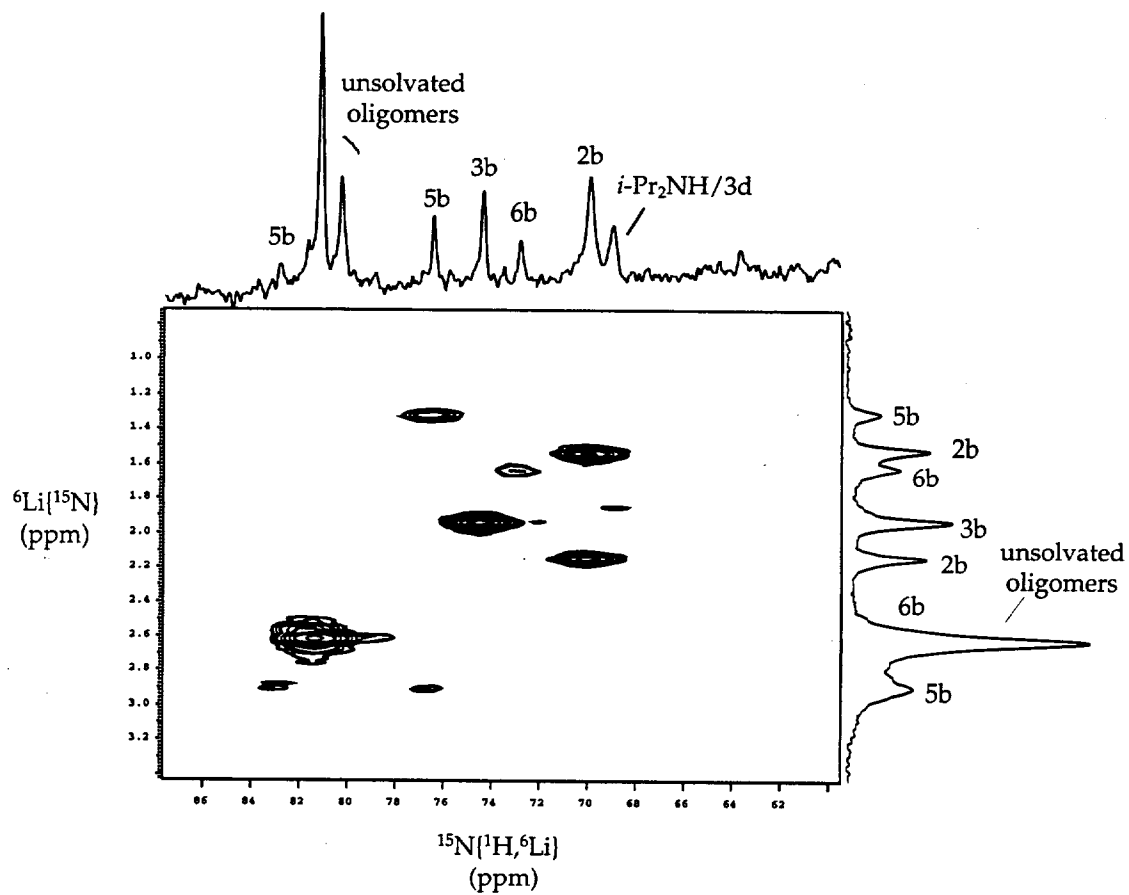


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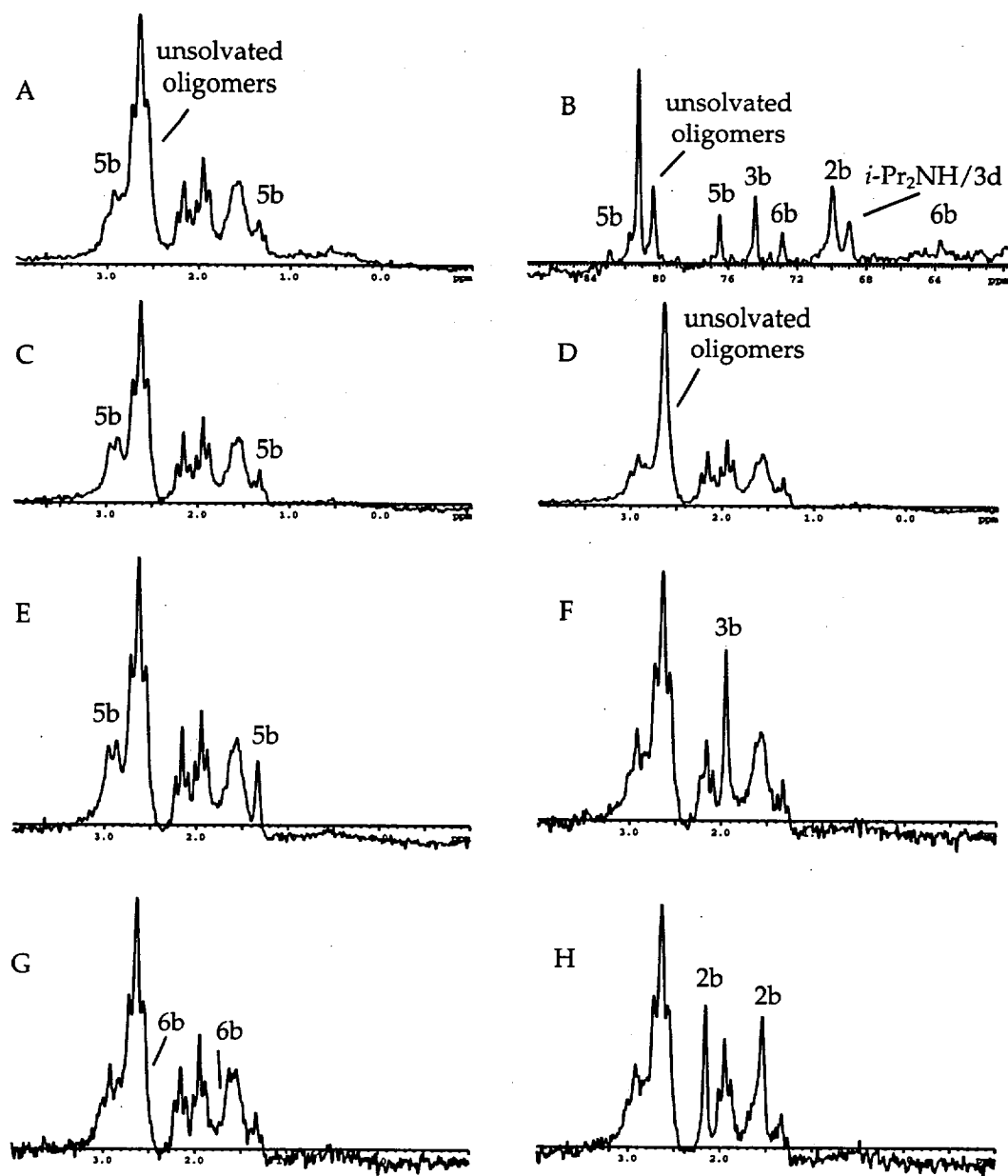


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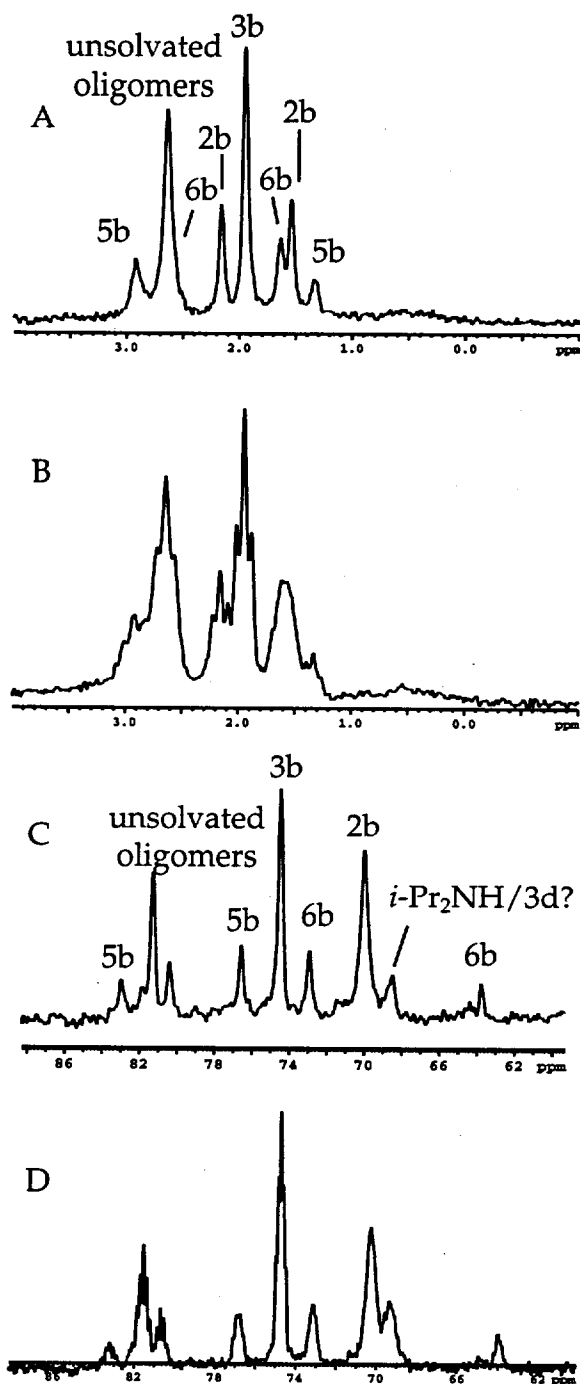


Figure XIII. ^6Li and ^{15}N NMR spectra of 0.1 M $[^6\text{Li}, ^{15}\text{N}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ in 3:2 pentane:toluene with 0.5 equiv of THF at -135°C : (A) $^6\text{Li}\{^{15}\text{N}\}$ spectrum; (B) ^6Li spectrum; (C) $^{15}\text{N}\{^1\text{H}, ^6\text{Li}\}$ spectrum; (D) $^{15}\text{N}\{^1\text{H}\}$ spectrum.

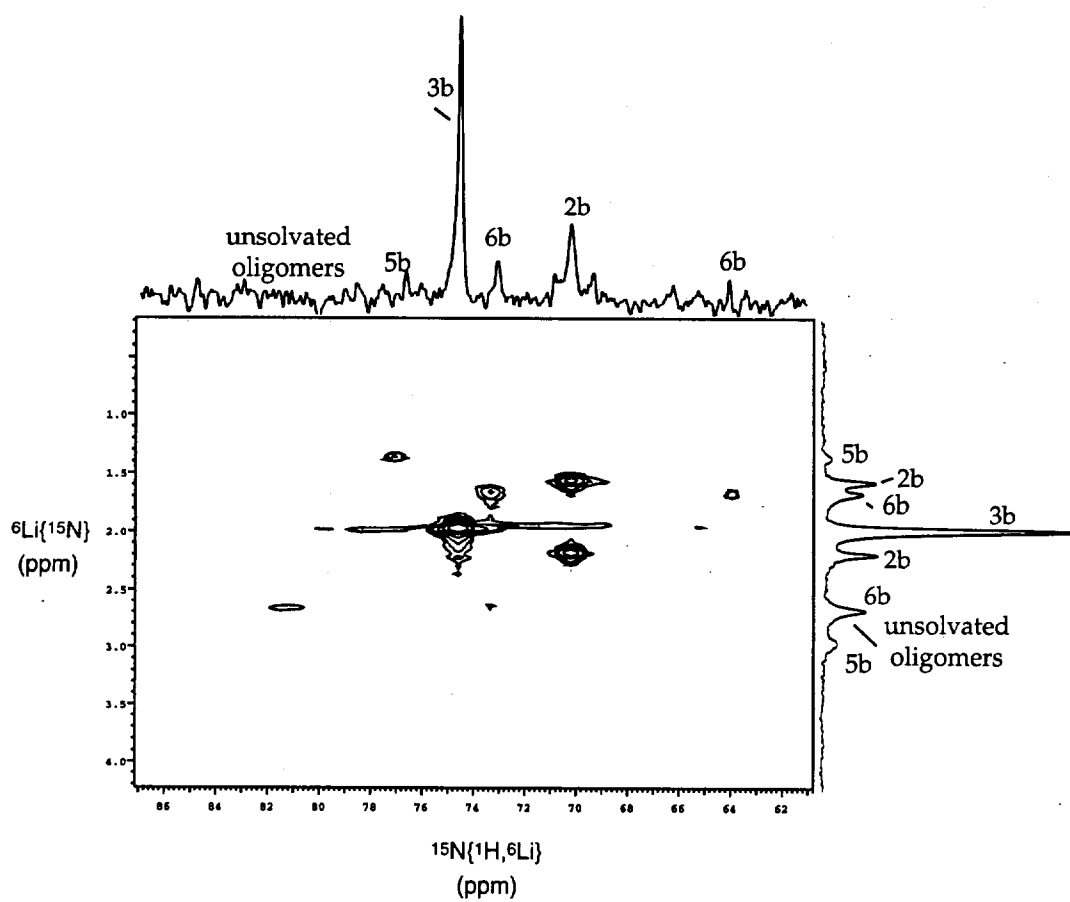


Figure XIV. ${}^6\text{Li}, {}^{15}\text{N}$ -heteronuclear multiple quantum correlation (HMQC) spectrum of 0.1 M $[{}^6\text{Li}, {}^{15}\text{N}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ in 3:2 pentane:toluene with 0.75 equiv of THF at $-135\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.

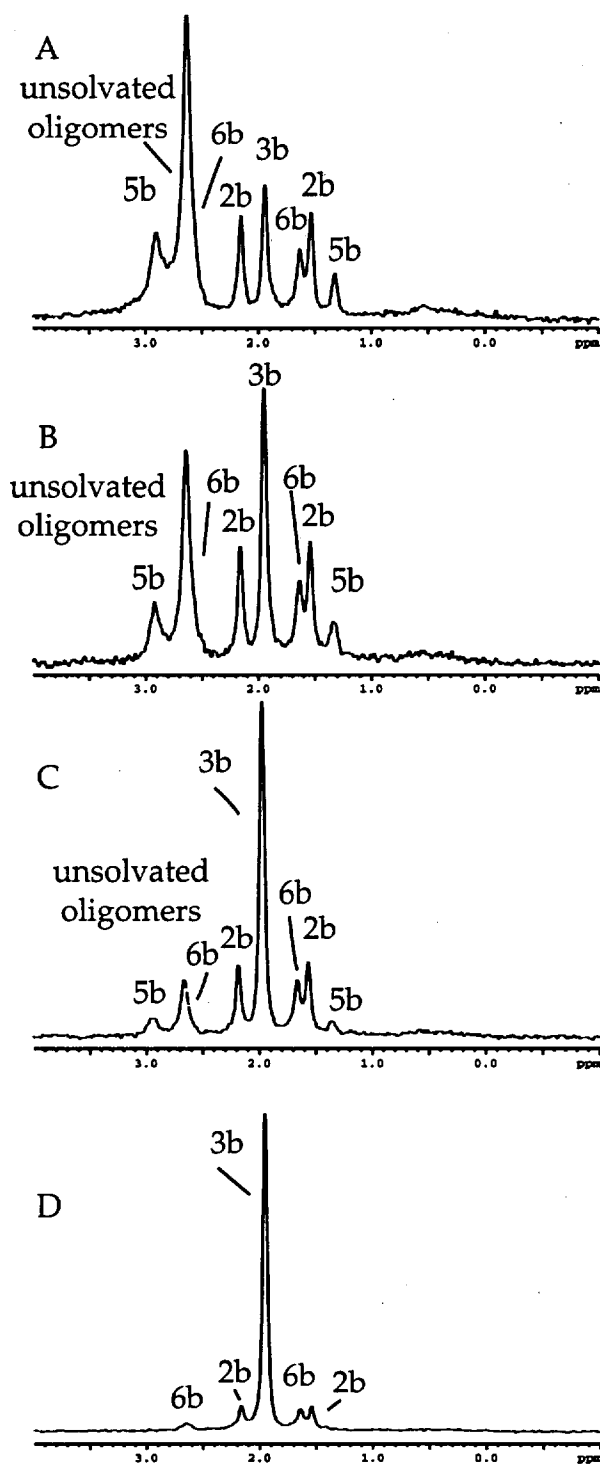


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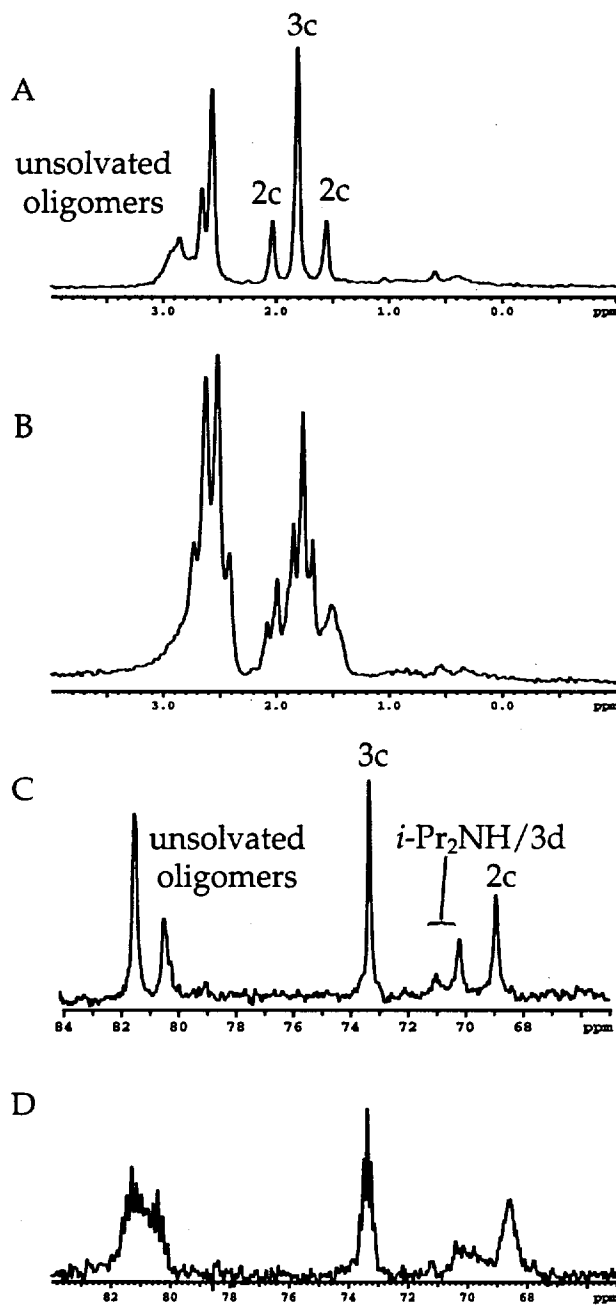


Figure XVI. ^6Li and ^{15}N NMR spectra of 0.1 M $[^6\text{Li}, ^{15}\text{N}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ in 3:2 pentane:toluene with 0.25 equiv of diethyl ether at -127°C : (A) $^6\text{Li}\{^{15}\text{N}\}$ spectrum; (B) ^6Li spectrum; (C) $^{15}\text{N}\{^1\text{H}, ^6\text{Li}\}$ spectrum; (D) $^{15}\text{N}\{^1\text{H}\}$ spectrum.

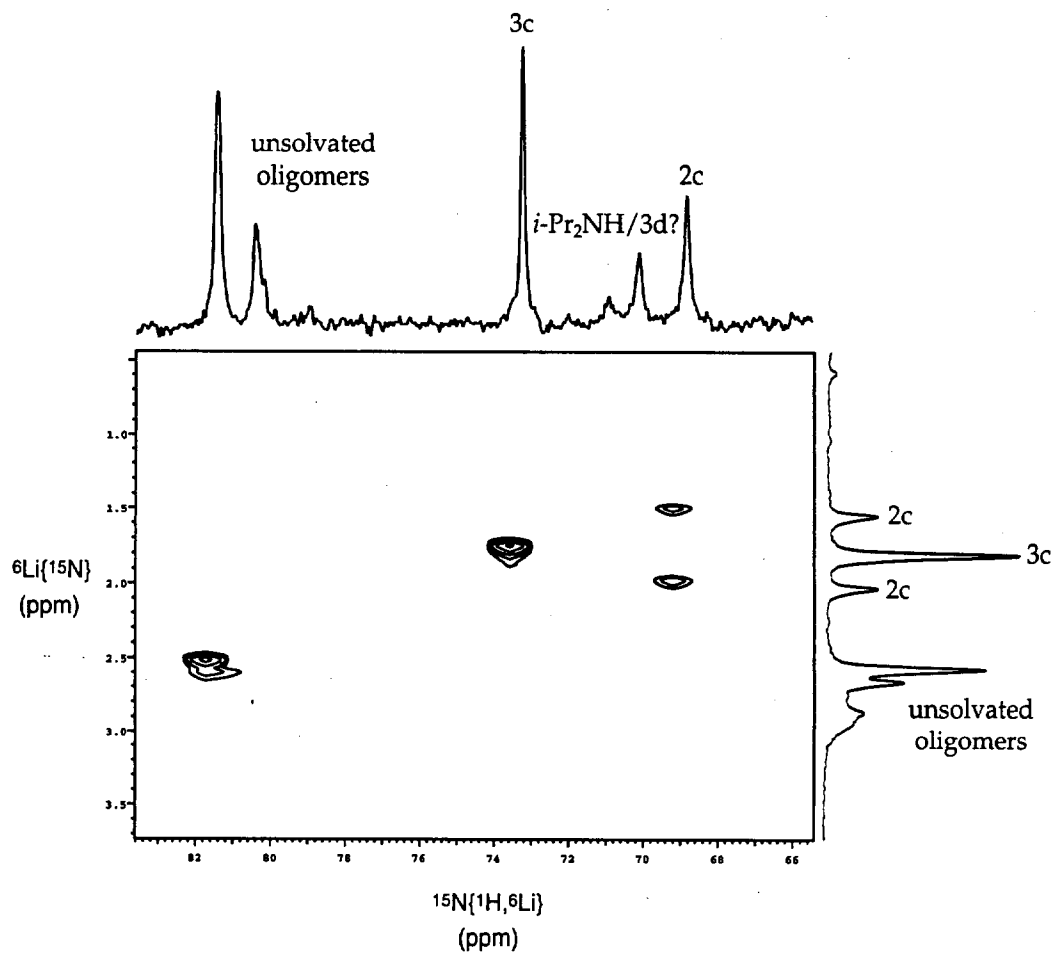


Figure XVII. $^6\text{Li},^{15}\text{N}$ -heteronuclear multiple quantum correlation (HMQC) spectrum of 0.1 M $[^6\text{Li},^{15}\text{N}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ in 3:2 pentane:toluene with 0.25 equiv of diethyl ether at $-127\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.

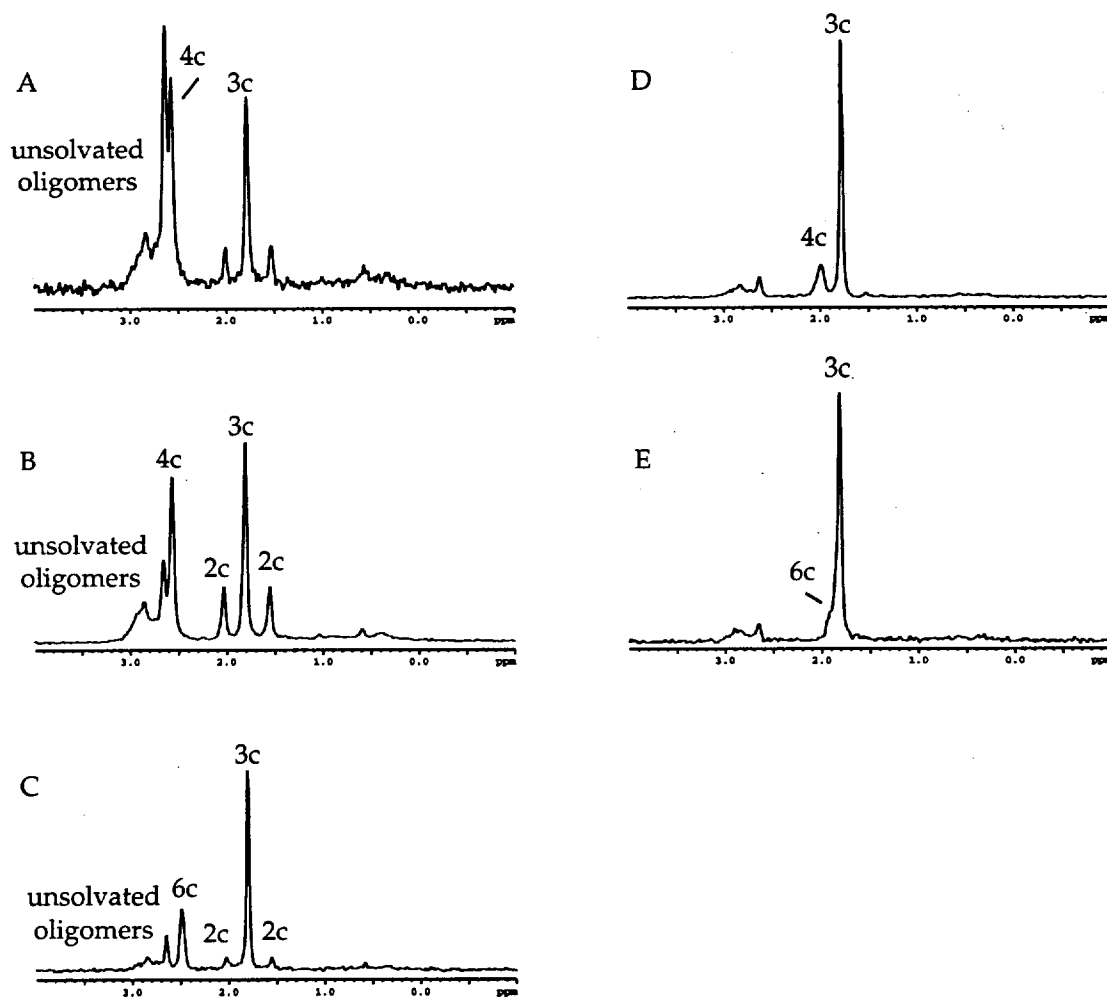


Figure XVIII. ^6Li NMR spectra of 0.1 M $[\text{}^6\text{Li}, \text{}^{15}\text{N}]\textit{i}\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ in 3:2 pentane:toluene at -127°C with: (A) 0.1 equiv diethyl ether; (B) 0.25 equiv diethyl ether; (C) 0.5 equiv diethyl ether; (D) 0.75 equiv diethyl ether; (E) 1.0 equiv diethyl ether.

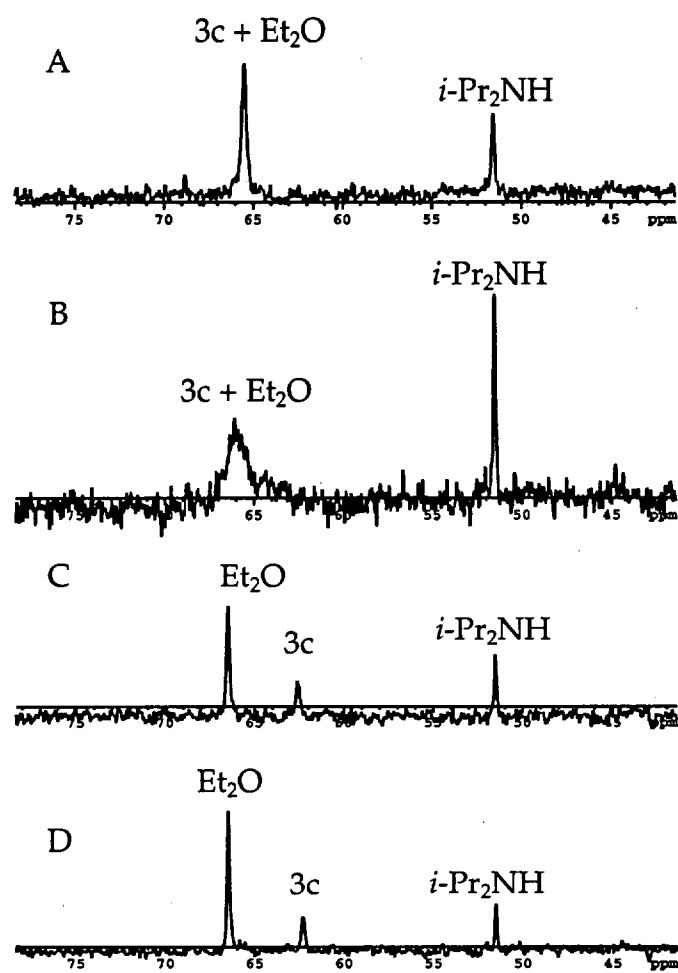


Figure XIX. ^{13}C NMR spectra of 0.1 M $[\text{}^6\text{Li},\text{}^{15}\text{N}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ in 3:2 pentane:toluene with 2 equiv of diethyl ether at: (A) $-75\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$; (B) $-90\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$; (C) $-115\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$; (D) $-127\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.

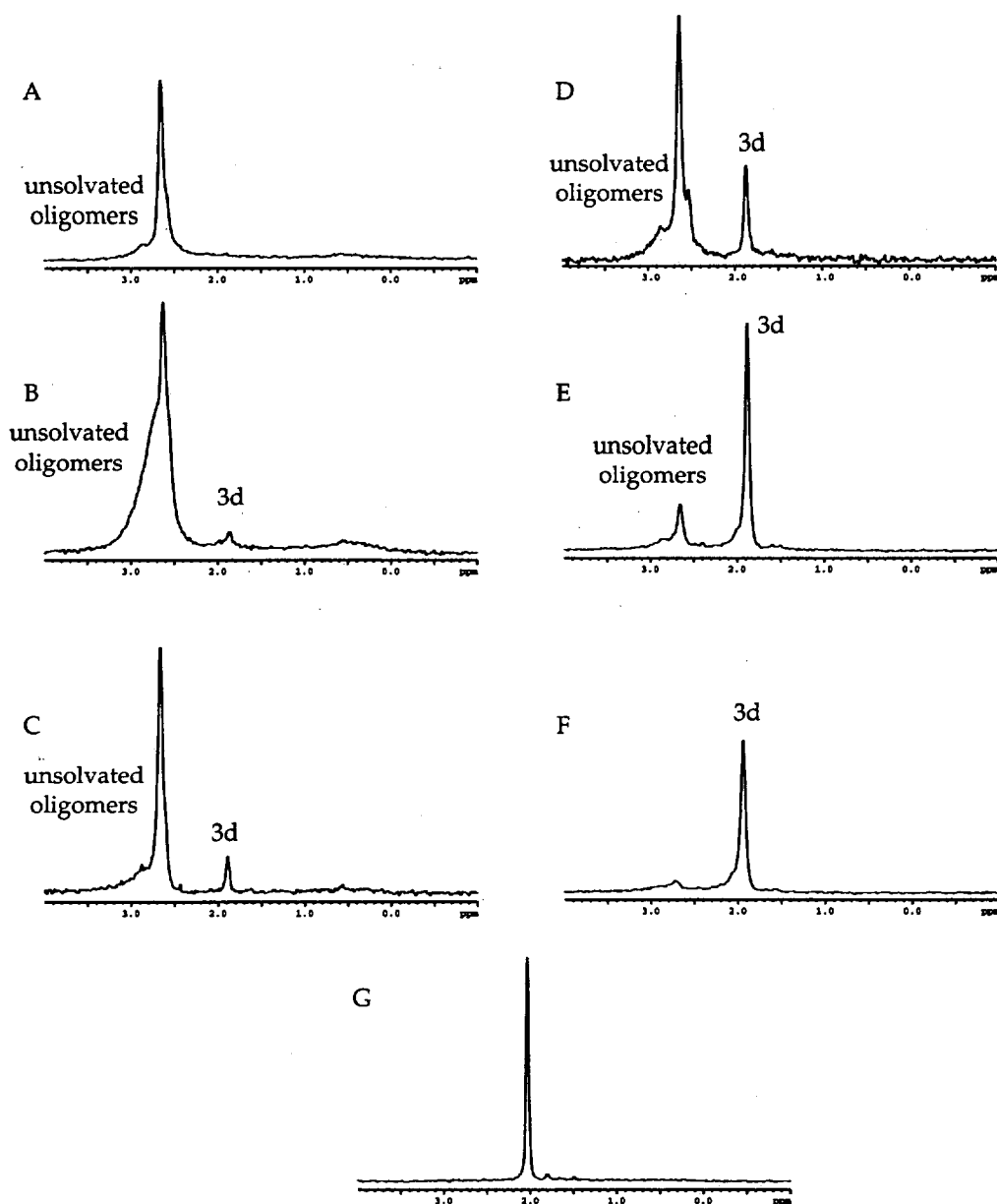


Figure XX. ${}^6\text{Li}$ NMR spectra of 0.1 M $i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ in 3:2 pentane:toluene: (A) ${}^6\text{Li}\{^{15}\text{N}\}$ spectrum of $[{}^6\text{Li},^{15}\text{N}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ with no added ligand; (B) ${}^6\text{Li}\{^{15}\text{N}\}$ spectrum of $[{}^6\text{Li},^{15}\text{N}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ with 0.5 equiv diisopropylamine; (C) ${}^6\text{Li}\{^{15}\text{N}\}$ spectrum of $[{}^6\text{Li},^{15}\text{N}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ with 1.0 equiv diisopropylamine; (D) ${}^6\text{Li}$ spectrum of $[{}^6\text{Li}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ with 2.0 equiv diisopropylamine; (E) ${}^6\text{Li}$ spectrum of $[{}^6\text{Li}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ with 10 equiv diisopropylamine; (F) ${}^6\text{Li}$ spectrum of $[{}^6\text{Li}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ with 20 equiv diisopropylamine; (G) ${}^6\text{Li}\{^{15}\text{N}\}$ spectrum of $[{}^6\text{Li},^{15}\text{N}]i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NLi}$ with 1 equiv diisopropylamine and 1 equiv THF.