1D NMR VnmrJ Quick Guide

Getting Started:

- •Log on using your Username and Password.
- •Click on the VnmrJ Desktop Icon.
- Type e < rtn >. Place sample in spinner. Gauge properly. Place on top of magnet. Type i < rtn >.
- •Click Experiments=>Proton (or desired expt.).
- •Type *fixshims* <rtn>. Wait for beep.
- •In the bottom Parameter Panel, select the **Start** tab and the **Standard** page.
- •Choose your solvent from the **Solvent** dropdown menu.
- Add your text to the **Comment** field.

Establishing Lock and Shimming:

- Select the **Lock** page and click Lock **Off**.
- •Click **Lock Scan** to display lock trace.
- •Move **Power** and **Gain** slider until you see a lock signal. NOTE: (The slider can be dragged or you can click on the button with the right mouse to increase or left mouse to decrease.)
- Move **Z0** slider slowly until no 'beat' is visible.
- •Reduce **Power** until correct value: D₂O, acetone=5-10; $C_6D_6 = 10-15$; $CDCl_3 = 20-32$.
- Adjust **Phase** in units of ±10 to maximize height of lock level.
- Select the **Shim** page.

Click Lock On.



(3) Shimming (continued):

Tip: Right or left click the Z shim buttons to adjust shims. Middle mouse click to change the scale (i.e. from ± 1 to ± 10 to ± 100).

- •Adjust **Z1** ±100 until maximum. Repeat with **Z2**.
- •Adjust $Z1 \pm 10$ until maximum. Repeat with Z2.
- •Type nt=1 ga <rtn>. (Use with ¹H spectra only.)
- •When complete, type f full aph <rtn>, expand around solvent peak or suitable well-resolved singlet. Type vsadj <rtn>.
- •If not shimmed, adjust **Phase** and readjust appropriate shim (e.g. **Z1** for symmetric broadening or **Z2** for asymmetric peak shape).
- •Repeat single scan acquisition. Reshim, if necessary.

Acquiring Your Spectrum:

- Select the **Acquire** Tab and the **Default** page.
- Choose your spectral window, relaxation delay, and number of scans from the appropriate dropdown menus. *Tip*: If you want accurate integration, increase Relaxation Delay to 10 or more.
- For 13 C, use nt=1e6 bs=8.
- Click on the green **Acquire & Transform** button.
- For ¹³C, after a few data blocks are complete (message: BS # completed), type wft to process. When sufficient S/N is obtained, stop with sal 'bs').
- When complete, type f full aph vsadj <rtn>.

Manual Phasing (Optional):

- If autophasing did not work, type lp=0 rp=0 <rtn>.
- Click on **Phasing** button to the right of the spectrum. Using the *left* mouse button, click and hold on the *Rightmost* peak. Drag the mouse up or down to phase that peak.
- Using the *right* mouse button, click and hold on the *Leftmost* peak. Drag the mouse up or down to phase.

Referencing Your Spectrum:

- •Type *dscale* <rtn> and locate your solvent peak (use the reference chart below or one near the instrument).
- •Click on the Magnifying Glass icon to the right of the spectrum.

Note: It does *not* have the + symbol next to it.

- •Click the Cursor icon and place red cursor line on top of solvent peak.
- Type $nl \ rl(< your \ solvent \ ppm>p) < rtn>$. For example, for CDCl₃ you would *type nl rl*(7.24p) < rtn >.

Common Deuterated Solvents:				
CDCl ₃	7.24p(¹ H) 77p(¹³ C)	D_2O 4.63 $p(^1H)$		
Acetone-d ₆	2.04p(¹ H) 29.8p(¹³ C)	CD ₃ OD 3.30p(¹ H) 49.0p(¹³ C		
Benzene-d ₆	7.15p(¹ H) 128.0p(¹³ C)	CD ₂ Cl ₂ 5.32p(¹ H) 53.8p(¹³ C)		
DMSO-d ₆	2.49p(¹ H) 39.5p(¹³ C)	DMF-d ₇ 2.91p(¹ H) 35.2p(¹³ C		
CD ₃ CN	1.93p(¹ H) 1.3p(¹³ C)	$2.74 p(^{1}H) \ 30.1 p(^{13}C)$		

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6 Integrating Your Spectrum (Not for ¹³C Referencing Your Integrals: NMR):

- •Click the Full Spectrum icon and click the **Integral** icon.
- Type *cdc dc cz* <rtn>.
- •Expand around first desired integral region.
- •Click **Resets** icon (it has scissors).
- •Use a *left* mouse click for each integral reset point. If you make a mistake, use the *right* mouse button to undo last reset point. To restart, type cz <rtn>.
- •Click the **Hand** icon and drag the spectrum to next region, click Resets icon, left click your reset points, repeat for every region.
- When complete, click **Full Spectrum** icon.

Plotting Your Spectrum:

- Typical example, pl pscale ppf pir *pltext page* <rtn>.
- Type ds <rtn>, expand desired plot regions, and repeat plot command.

Common Plotting Commands:

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pl	plot spectrum	
pscale	plot scale	
pir	plot integral regions	
ppf	plot peak frequencies	
pll	plot line list with freqs in Hertz	
pltext	plot text	
pltext(150,150)	plot text in top right (use with pll)	
рар	plot all parameters	
page	send plot to printer	

- •Expand around Integral to be referenced.
- •Place cursor on an integral region. The red vertical cursor must be on an integral trace.
- Select Process Tab, input integral value in Integral area field, and click Set Integral Value button.
- Type ds f dpir <rtn> to display your integrals.

(7a) Saving Your Data:

- •Type svf <rtn>.
- Type your filename with no spaces.

10 Logging Off of a Session:

- •Type *e* to eject sample.
- •Place standard in spinner. Gauge properly. Place on top of magnet.
- •Type i <rtn>.
- •Type exit <rtn>.
- •Click the **System** button on screen top, click Log out... and Log Out....



8 Peak Picking:

- •Click Full Spectrum icon. Click Threshold icon and place yellow threshold line below top of smallest desired peak.
- Type *dpf* <rtn>. If too many peaks, click Threshold icon and move threshold up. Type *dpf* <rtn> to recheck.





Full Spectrum



Magnifying Glass (Zoom)



Hand Icon (Pan & Scan)



Integral Resets







Phasing



Threshold



Display Scale

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VNMR Basic Commands			
Command	Description	Typed Example	
nt	number of transients : Sets the number of transients (scans) to be acquired. You should always select a multiple of 4 (e.g. 4, 8, 128). The larger the number of scans, the better the signal to noise.	nt=16: default setting for 1H,CDCl3	
bs	block size : Directs the acquisition computer, as data are acquired, to periodically store a block of data on the disk.	<i>bs</i> =8 : sets the block size to 8 scans.	
ga	submit experiment to acquisition and FT the result : Performs the experiment described by the current acquisition parameters and Fourier transforms (<i>wft</i>) the result.	ga	
wft	weight and Fourier transform 1D data: Performs a Fourier transform on one or more 1D FIDs with weighting applied to the FID.	wft: used if you stop the acquisition prior to completion or when loading a saved FID.	
aph	automatic phase of rp and lp: Automatically calculates the phase parameters lp and rp required to produce an absorption mode spectrum and applies them to the current spectrum.	aph usually gives well phased spectra	
f, full	full : Sets the horizontal and vertical control parameters to produce a display on the entire screen.	f or full	
vsadj	Automatic vertical adjustment : Automatically sets the vertical scale, vs, in the absolute intensity mode so that the largest peak is at the requested height.	Vsadj: resets the vertical scale to fit on the screen	
dscale	Display scale below spectrum or FID.	dscale	
aa	abort acquisition: immediately aborts the acquisition.	aa	
sa	stop acquisition: stops acquisition after acquiring current transient.	sa	
su	submit a setup experiment to acquisition: Sets up the system hardware to match the current parameters but does not initiate data acquisition.	su	
svf	Save FIDs in current experiment: Saves parameters, text, and FID data in the current experiment to a file.	svf('H1_070703'): saves the FID as a file named H1_070703	