# 1D NMR VnmrJ Quick Guide

### **1** 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.
- •Check spinning. It should be 20.

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#### 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.
- Click Lock On.
- •Reduce **Power** until correct value:  $D_2O$ , 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.



### 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  $\pm 1$  to  $\pm 10$  to  $\pm 100$ ).

- •Adjust **Z1** ±100 until maximum. Repeat with **Z2**.
- •Adjust **Z1** ± 10 until maximum. Repeat with **Z2**.
- •Type nt=1 ga <rtn>. (Use with  ${}^{1}H$  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  $^{13}$ C, after a few data blocks are complete (message: BS # completed), type *wft* to process. When sufficient S/N is obtained, stop with sa('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.

## **S**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 CDCl<sub>3</sub> you would *type*  $nl\ rl(7.24p) < rtn>$ .

Common Deuterated Solvents:				
CDCl <sub>3</sub>	7.24p( <sup>1</sup> H) 77p( <sup>13</sup> C)	$D_2O$	4.63p( <sup>1</sup> H)	
Acetone-d <sub>6</sub>	2.04p( <sup>1</sup> H) 29.8p( <sup>13</sup> C)	CD <sub>3</sub> OD	3.30p( <sup>1</sup> H) 49.0p( <sup>13</sup> C)	
Benzene-d <sub>6</sub>	7.15p( <sup>1</sup> H) 128.0p( <sup>13</sup> C)	$CD_2Cl_2$	5.32p( <sup>1</sup> H) 53.8p( <sup>13</sup> C)	
DMSO-d <sub>6</sub>	2.49p( <sup>1</sup> H) 39.5p( <sup>13</sup> C)	DMF-d <sub>7</sub>	2.91p( <sup>1</sup> H) 35.2p( <sup>13</sup> C)	
CD <sub>3</sub> CN	1.93p( <sup>1</sup> H) 1.3p( <sup>13</sup> C)		2.74p( <sup>1</sup> H) 30.1p( <sup>13</sup> C)	

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## 6 Integrating Your Spectrum (Not for <sup>13</sup>C 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:

page

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

### **Common Plotting Commands:**

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

send plot to printer

## Referencing Your Integrals:

- •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.

### 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.

### Icon Guide:



Full Spectrum



Magnifying Glass (Zoom)



Hand Icon (Pan & Scan)



**Integral Resets** 







Phasing



Threshold



**Display Scale** 

# 1D NMR Acquisition Quick Guide



VNMR Basic Commands			
Command	Description	Typed Example	
nt	<b>number of transients</b> : 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	<b>block size</b> : Directs the acquisition computer, as data are acquired, to periodically store a block of data on the disk.	bs=8: sets the block size to 8 scans.	
ga	<b>submit experiment to acquisition and FT the result</b> : 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	<b>full</b> : Sets the horizontal and vertical control parameters to produce a display on the entire screen.	f or full	
vsadj	<b>Automatic vertical adjustment</b> : 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.	<i>svf('H1_070703')</i> : saves the FID as a file named H1_070703	