

## REMINDER SHEET FOR THE BRUKER AM-250

**1. Insert Sample:** Turn off *Spin* and *Lock*. *Lift*. Insert sample in spinner, adjust depth, wipe with ethanol-soaked Kim-Wipe, place on air cushion at top of bore. *Lift Off*. Set *Field*, *Lock Power*, *Lock Gain*, *Lock Phase* to card values for your solvent. Center signal (*Field*) and adjust height (*Lock Power* / *Lock Gain*) and symmetry (*Lock Phase*). Turn *Lock* and *Spin* on. Adjust *Z1* and *Z2* shims for maximum lock signal height.

### 2. Proton Acquisition:

**RJ PROTON.xxx=D1** Recall standard  $^1\text{H}$  parameters from disk:  $\text{CDCl}_3$  solvent, xxx=CHL;  
 $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  = D2O;  $\text{d}_6$ -acetone = ACT;  $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$  = MET;  $\text{d}_6$ -DMSO = DMS

**II** Initialize the Interface for  $^1\text{H}$  acquisition (Cap'n).

**RGA** Receiver Gain Adjust - Automatic (wait for LCD message: Auto RG Finished)

**NS** Set desired number of scans. 16 for most samples, increase for more dilute samples (in multiples of 8)

**AI** Absolute Intensity (set to 0).

**ZG** Acquire FID. Scan counter indicates progress, *Pulse* and *ADC* lights blink.

### 3. Carbon-13 Acquisition:

**RJ CARBON.xxx=D1** Recall standard  $^{13}\text{C}$  parameters from disk. See above for xxx.

**DO and II** Gate the decoupler off and initialize the interface for  $^{13}\text{C}$  acquisition

**AU CARBON.AU=D1** Start  $^{13}\text{C}$  acquisition (DO NOT USE ZG!!)

**TR** Transfer FID to another job during acquisition

**Cntrl-H** Stop  $^{13}\text{C}$  acquisition when FID has sufficient signal-to-noise

### 4. Processing (common to $^1\text{H}$ and $^{13}\text{C}$ ):

**WR ABCDxxxx.xxx=D2** Save FID to disk. *ABCD* = first four letters of your login.

**LB** Check Line Broadening: 0.2 (Hz) for  $^1\text{H}$ , 1.0 (Hz) for  $^{13}\text{C}$

**EF** Apply exponential multiplier and Fourier Transform.

**EP** Enter interactive display mode: **A**, **B**, **C** and **D** knobs active. **A** moves display window left/right, **B** = width, **C** = cursor, **D** = fine cursor

**P** (With upfield region expanded) Enter interactive Phasing routine:  
Adjust phase with **C** knob (*Cntrl-C* to extend knob range)  
Move display to downfield peaks with **A** knob  
Adjust phase of downfield peak with **D** knob (*Cntrl-D* to extend knob range)

**M** Memory: Apply phase correction and exit Phasing routine.

On DOS PC at your left: cd c:\data\zznet  
getzz

**PASC SENDZZ** Enter filename (ABCDxxxx.xxx=D2) at the prompt

### Control Commands:

*Cntrl-L* Toggles between Lock Only, Spectrum/FID Only, and Both displayed

*Cntrl-D* Toggles Grid Display On/Off

*Cntrl-H* Abort acquisition

*Cntrl-E* Abort any operation (Use if **PASC SENDZZ** fails)

**5. Eject Sample and Insert Standard** (1%  $\text{CHCl}_3$  in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ , sealed tube). Lock and adjust lock settings.

## 6. Transfer FID to larmor and convert to XWinNMR format:

On DOS PC at your left:

cd c:\data\zznet\data	
ftp larmor	(Enter login name and password)
bin	(set to binary mode)
lls ABCD*.*	(view list of your files on the DOS PC)
put <filename>	(transfer FID to larmor)
quit	(exit ftp)

On larmor (Linux PC farther to your left – log in with name and password):

convert	(run program to convert to XwinNMR format)
Enter AM-250 filename and new filename for XWinNMR	

## 7. Process Your Data Using XWinNMR on larmor:

Fourier Transform: **>trf** (automatically switches display to spectrum window)

Position and Scale: **|<>|** full spectrum; **\*2, \*8, /2, /8** change vertical scale; move spectrum up and down.

Phase: Click **Phase, biggest** or **cursor, PH0** - drag up/down, **PH1** - drag up/down, **Return, Save and Return.**

Expand Region: Click on spectrum, click **middle mouse** in two places and then **left mouse** to get back **cursor**

Reference: Click on **Calibrate**, move **arrow** to top of reference peak and click **middle mouse**. Enter Shift.

Baseline Correction: **>abs** to automatically flatten the baseline (improves accuracy of integrals).

Integrate: Click on **Integrate**, click anywhere on spectrum and position **arrow**, click **middle mouse** to cut integral regions, click anywhere to get back cursor, click on **Return** and **Save as 'intrng' & Return.**

Peak Picking: **>pscal**, select **global**. Click **Utilities, Y** and / or **YU** to get vertical scale in cm, **Return**. Click **Analysis, Peak Picking** and **Adjust minimum intensity**, move horizontal line to desired threshold and click.

## 8. Plotting Your Spectrum:

Start: Click on **Windows** and **Plot editor** to Enter plotting program (XWinPlot)

Connect: Click on **XWIN-NMR** and **XWIN-NMR Interface, Create Parameter List**, and **Edit Title.**

Click on **Create Peak List** (if you did Peak Picking in part 7 above), Click on **close.**

Spectrum: Click on Spectrum icon, position "+" cursor, click and drag to position spectrum on plot.

Parameters and Title: Click on icons, position cursor on plot and click. Click on **Attributes** to change font.

Adjust Spectrum: Click on *Mark Objects* icon, then on spectrum. Click on **1D/2D Edit.**

Select **Show Peaks** and/or **Show Integrals** if desired, Click on **close.** Readjust spectrum size to fit in margins (dotted lines) using the green squares.

Plot Spectrum: Click on **File / Print, Print.** Click on **File / Close, OK** to exit Plot Editor.

## 9. Exit XWin-NMR and Log Out:

Click on **File / Exit, OK** to leave **XWin-NMR.** Click on Red Hat and **Logout, Logout** to confirm.

Do Not Logout From Linux Without First Exiting XWin-NMR!!! Do Not Exit XWin-NMR Using the Linux X on the Upper Right Corner!!! Any of these actions can leave processes "hung" and the next user will be unable to use the computer!!!