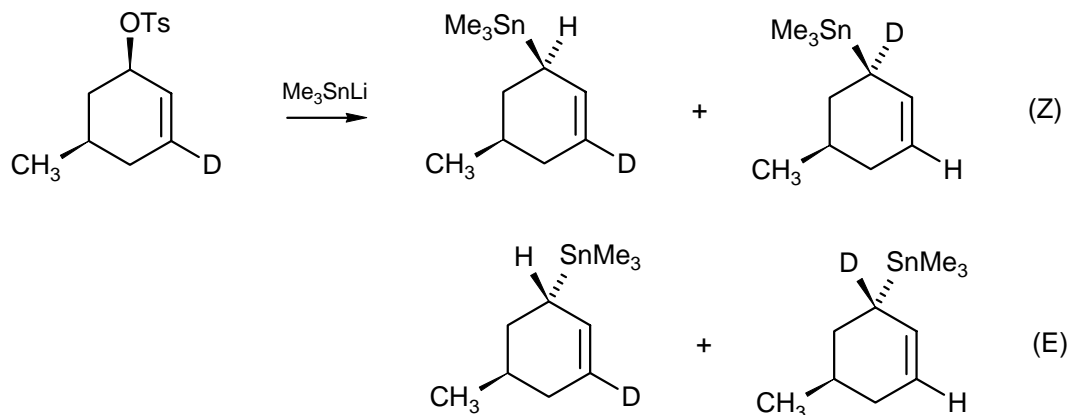
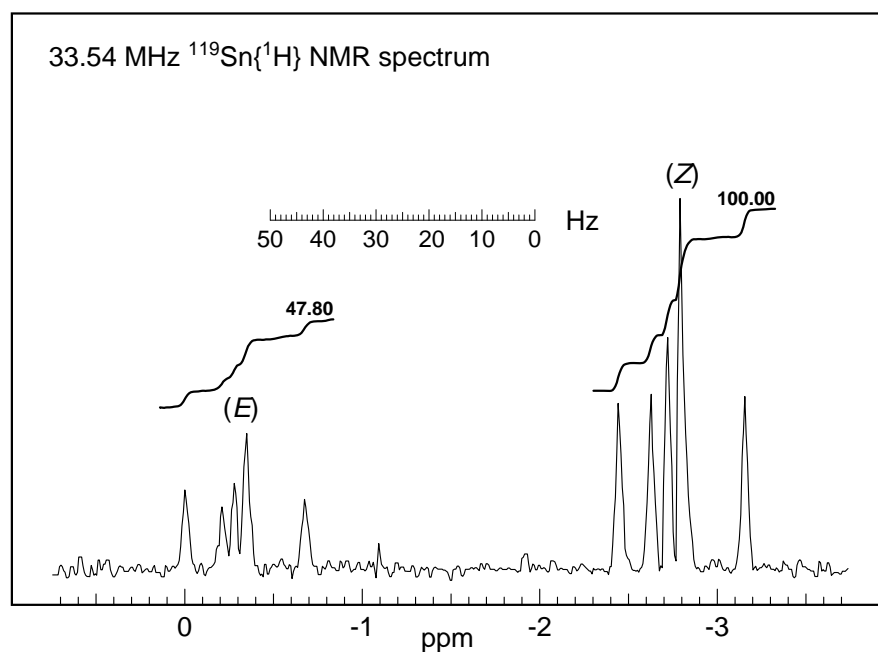


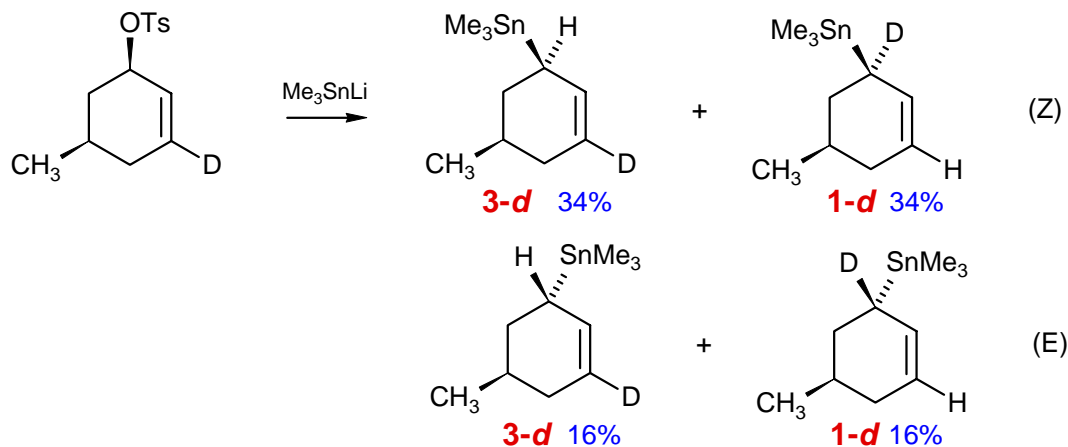
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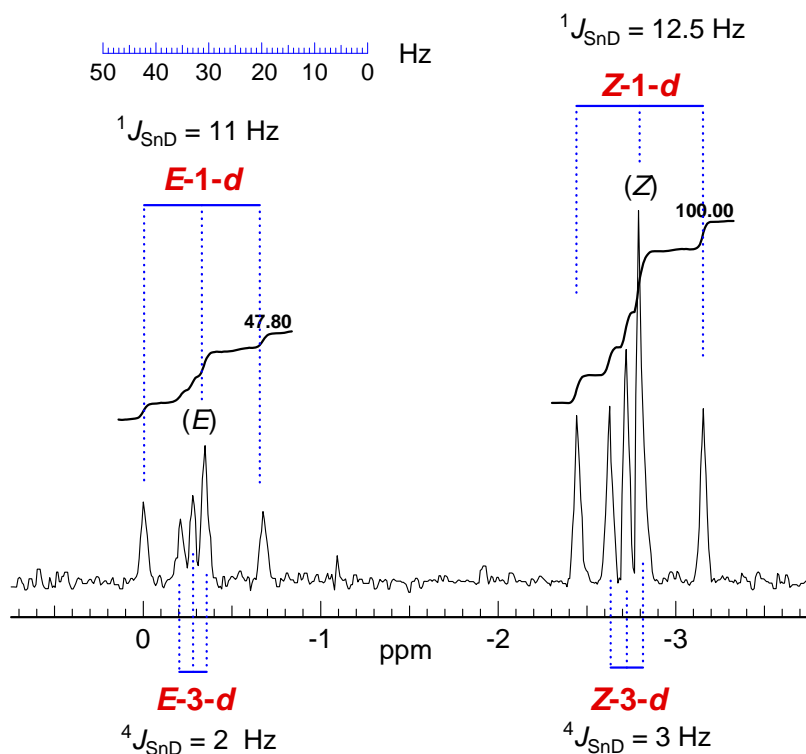
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The ratio of 3-d to 1-d is 1:1

The *E* to *Z* ratio is 48/100 (32/68)

Note the small isotope shift of about 2 Hz, with the 1-d signals upfield of the 3-d ones

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