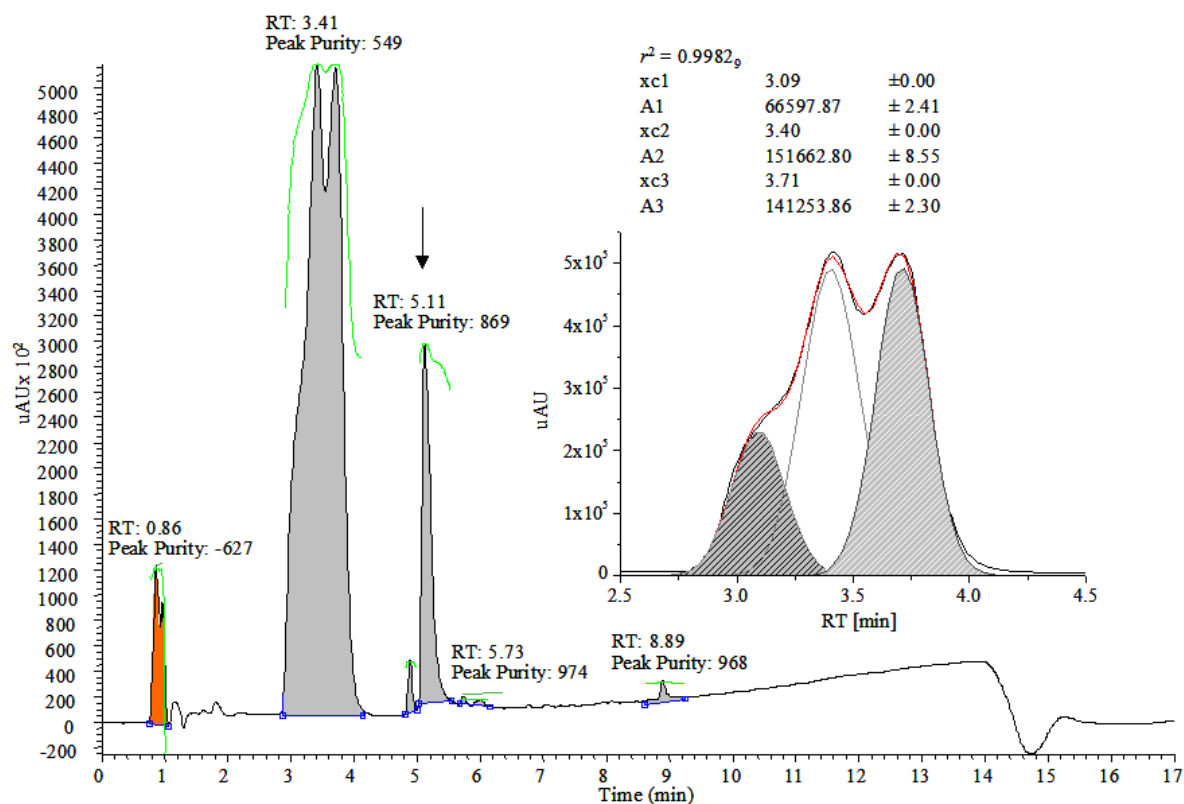
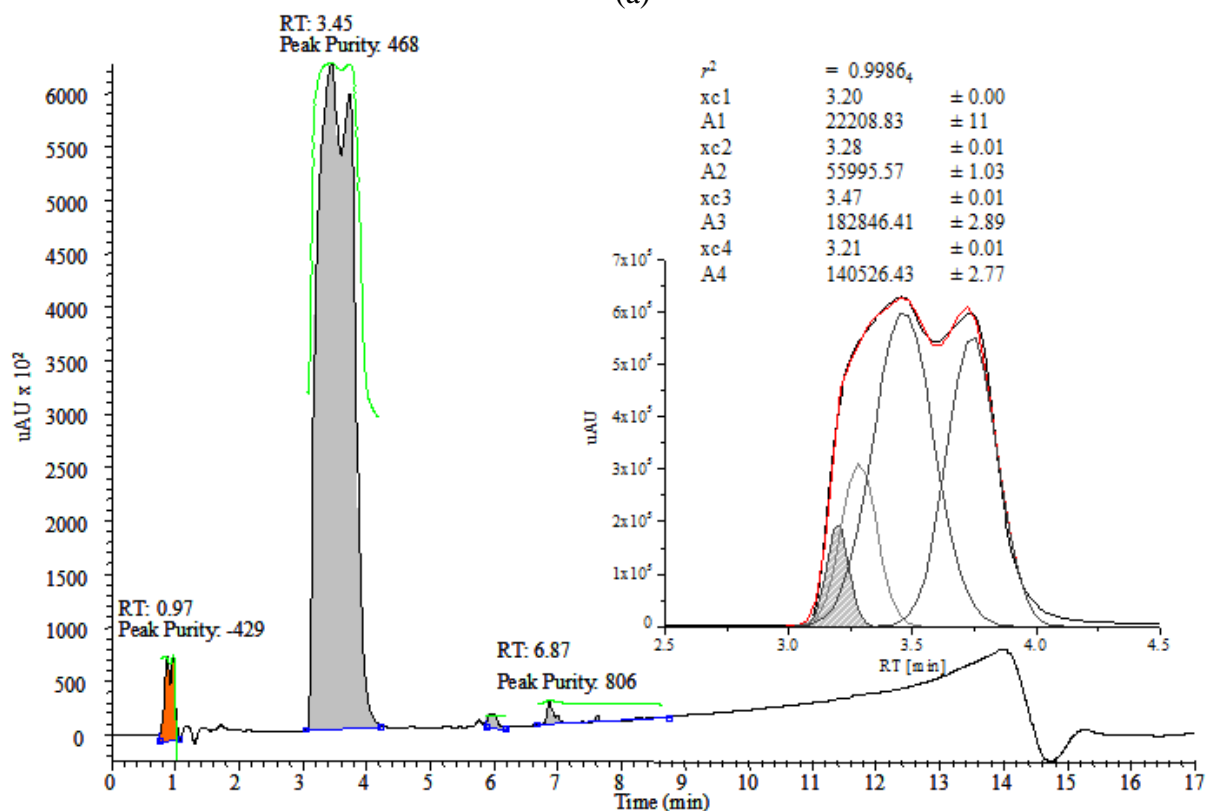


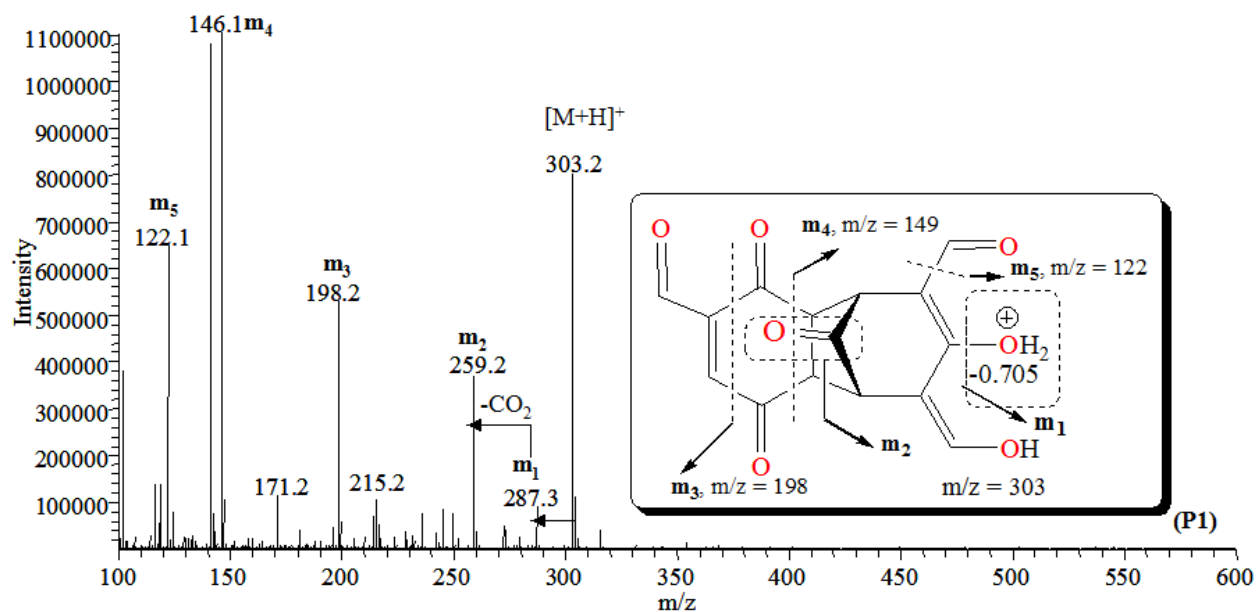
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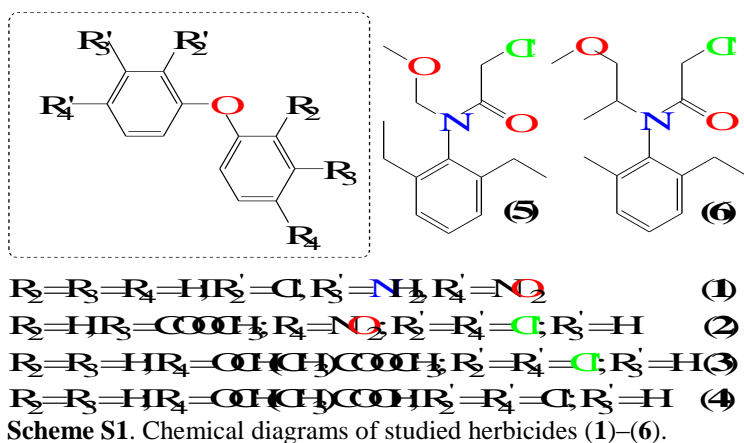


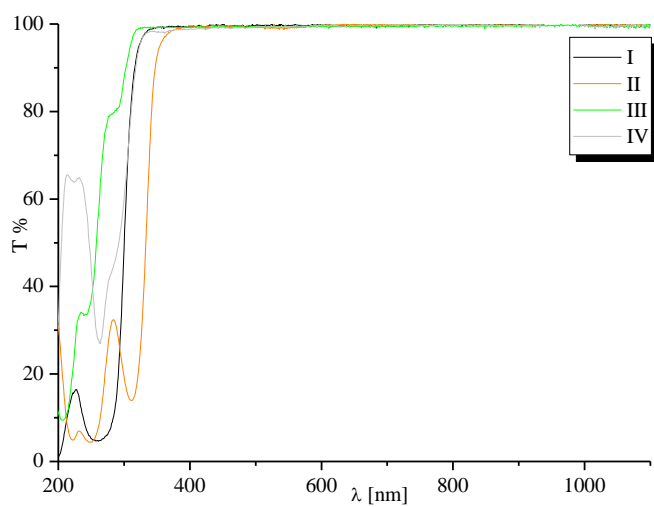
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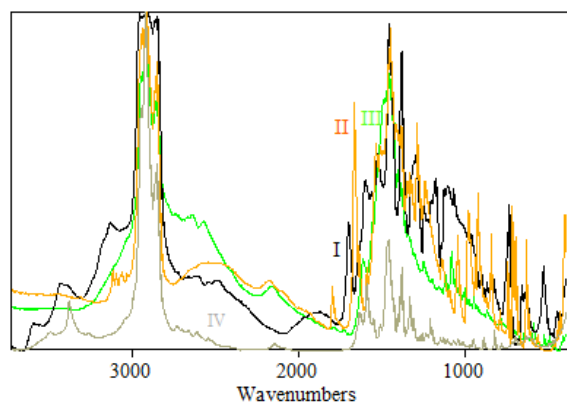
(c)

**Figure S1.** Mass chromatograms of 2,5-dihydroxy benzaldehyde (a) and DHA (b) in solvent mixture acetonitrile:methanol 1:1 at recalculated pH = 8.5; Curve fitted patterns within the retention times 2.5–4.5 min (small figures) according [ref. 7 in the main text]; The chemometric data about the peak positions ( $x_{c_i}$ ) and the integral areas ( $A_i$ ), where  $i = 1-4$ ;  $r^2$ -regression coefficient; ESI-MS spectra of interacion product labeled as P1; Chemical diagram and mass spectrometric fragmentation schemes; The theoretical  $q_0(\text{NBO})$  values, defining the proton accepting positions in the molecular ionic fragments (c).





**Figure S2.** Transmission spectra of I–IV



**Figure S3.** IR-spectra in nujol mull of the matrixes I – IV

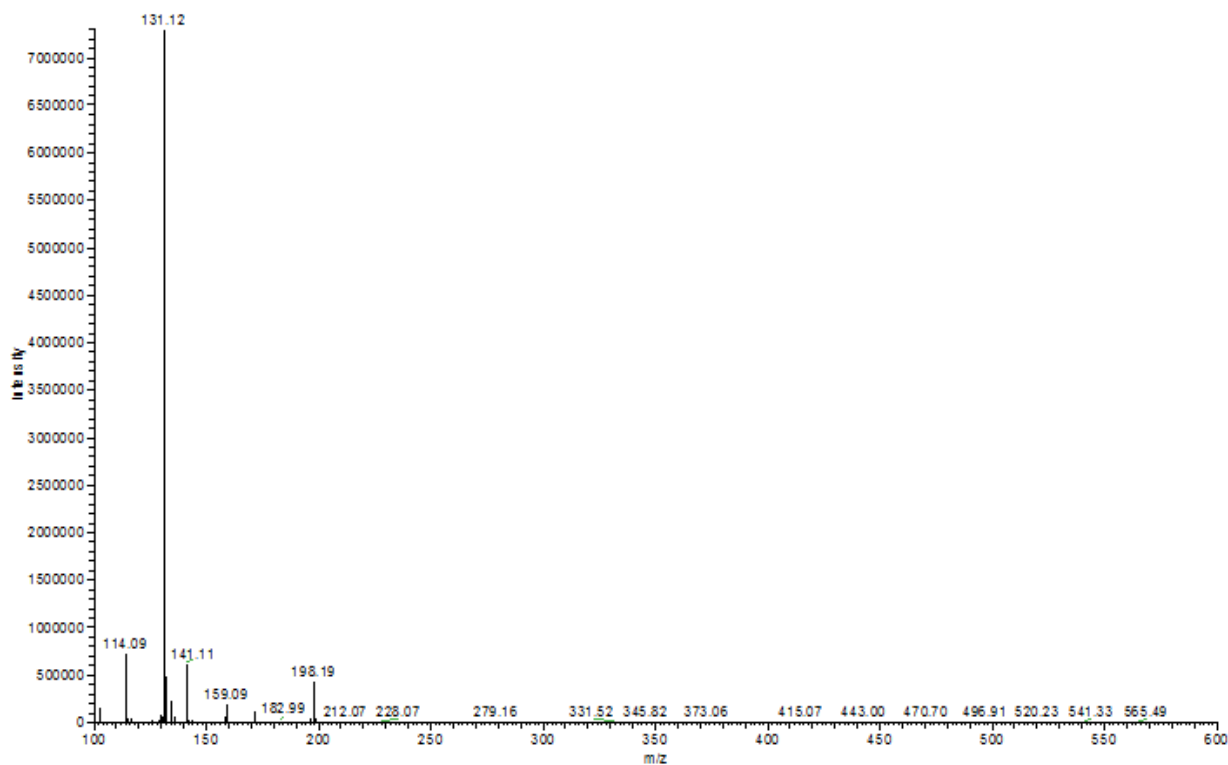


Figure S4. ESI-MS spectrum of **II**

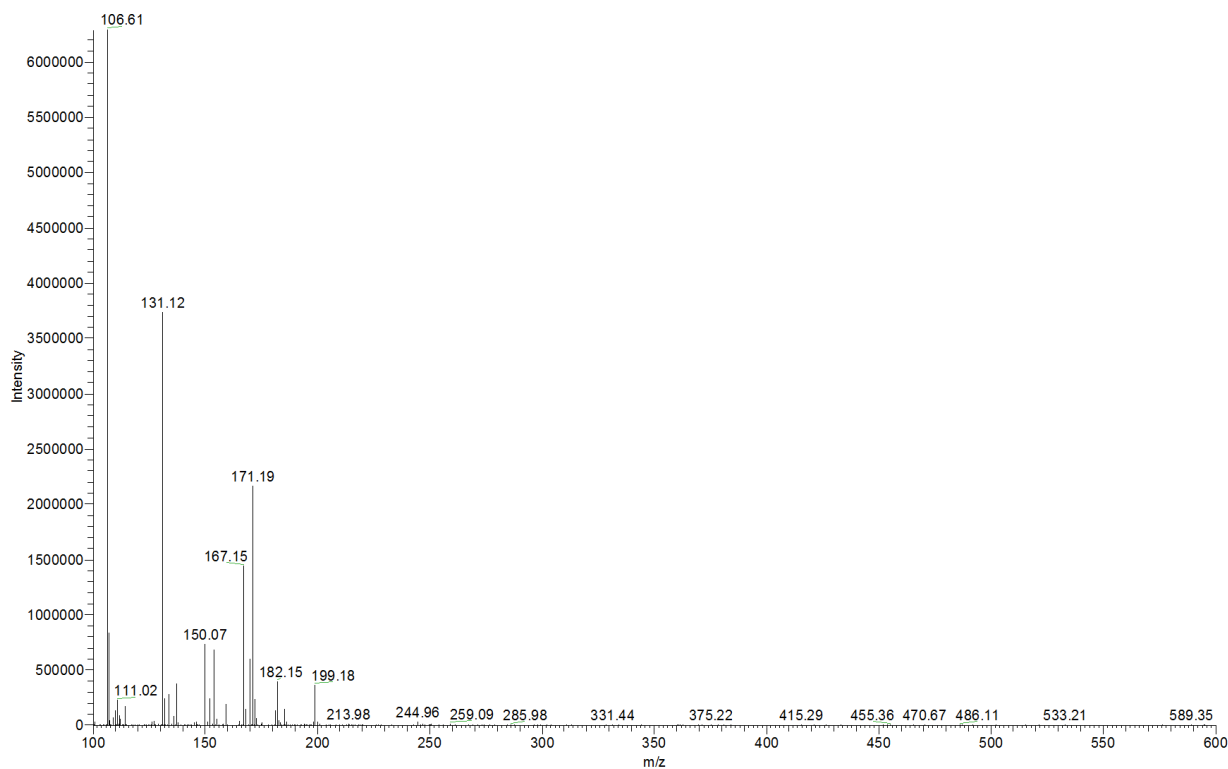
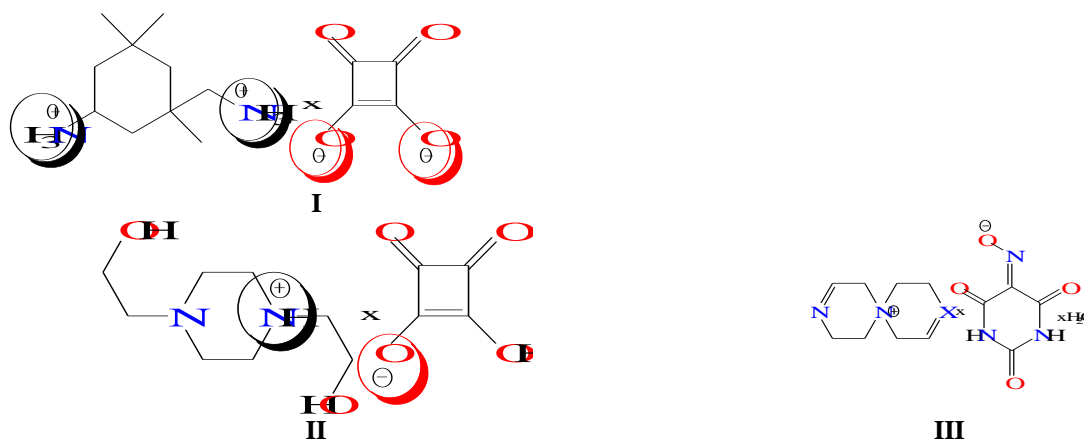


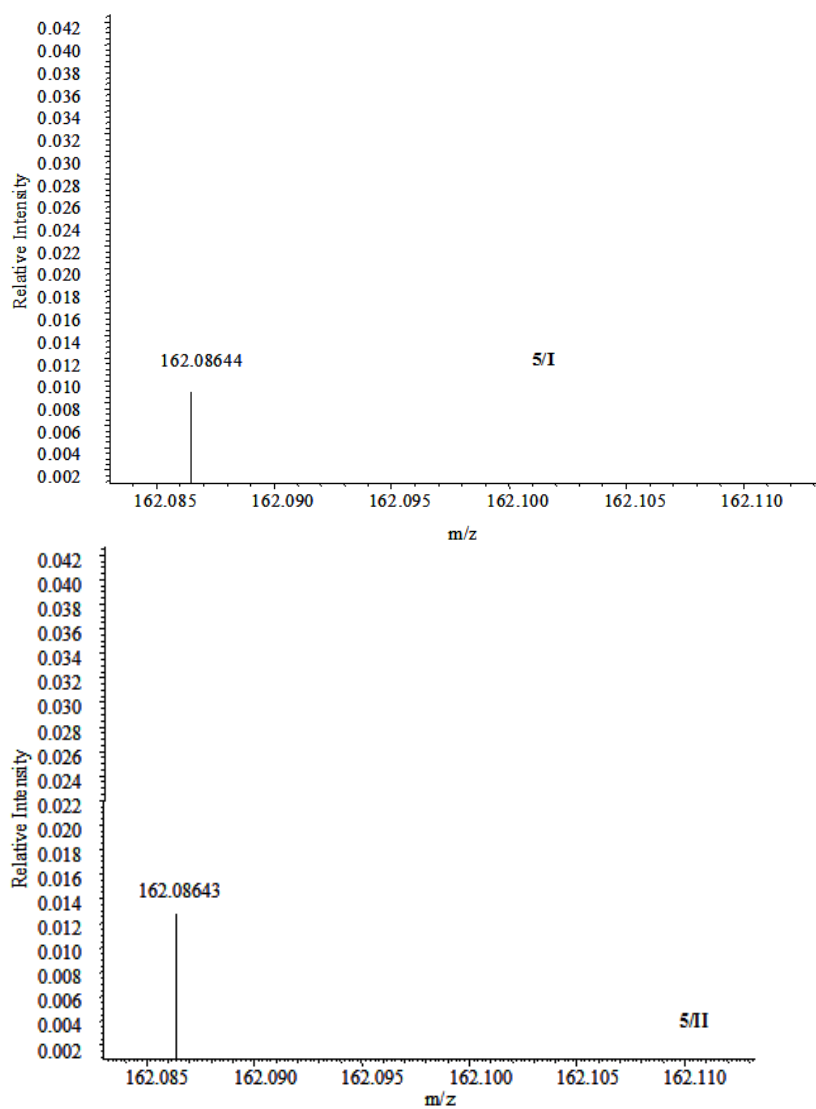
Figure S5. ESI-MS spectrum of isophorone amino nitrimine

**Table S1.** Crystallographic refinement data

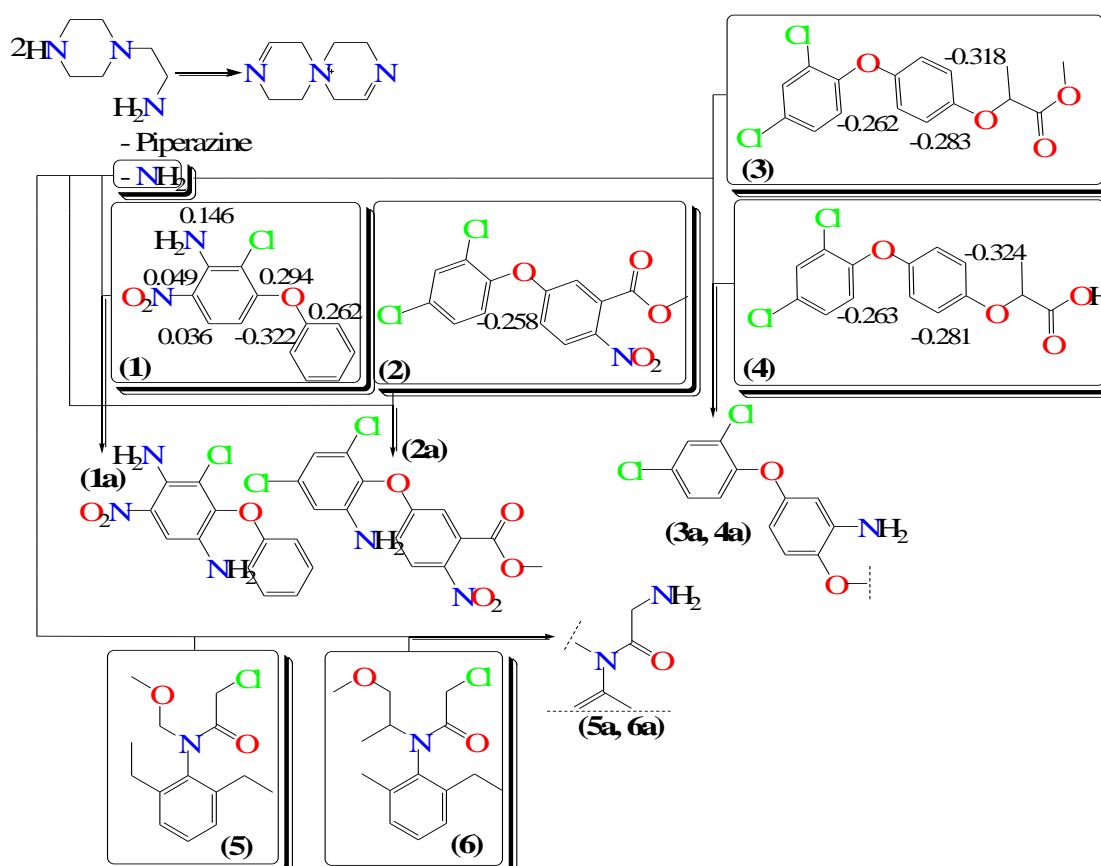
	(I)	(III)	(IV)
Empirical formula	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>24</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>20</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>9</sub> O <sub>19</sub>
<i>M<sub>r</sub></i>	430.41	288.30	498.41
Crystal size	0.28×0.18×0.13	0.33×0.28×0.14	0.11×0.07×0.04
Crystal system	Orthrhombic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	P <i>c a</i> 2 <sub>1</sub>	P2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>	C2/ <i>c</i>
<i>T</i> [K]	300(2)	293(2)	300(2)
<i>λ</i> [Å]	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
<i>a</i> [Å]	13.520(3)	8.573(5)	26.766(6)
<i>b</i> [Å]	8.4840(19)	8.663(5)	11.962(2)
<i>c</i> [Å]	13.632(3)	10.021(5)	7.0676(16)
<i>α</i> [°]	90	90	90
<i>β</i> [°]	90	121.11(4)	100.866(7)
<i>γ</i> [°]	90	90	90
<i>V</i> [Å <sup>3</sup> ]	1563.6(6)	637.2(6)	2222.2(8)
<i>Z</i>	4	2	4
<i>μ</i> [mm <sup>-1</sup> ]	0.088	0.121	0.126
<i>ρ</i> <sub>calc</sub> [mg m <sup>-3</sup> ]	1.208	1.503	1.490
2 <i>θ</i> [°]	25.14	24.25	25.06
Reflections collected	8444	5583	10169
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	0.990	1.026	1.222
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> [ <i>I</i> >2 <i>σ</i> ( <i>I</i> )]	0.0441	0.0880	0.0866



**Scheme S2.** Chemical diagram of the crystals I–III



**Figure S6.** UV-MALDI-MS data of **5**, embedded in crystals of **I** and **II**, respectively



**Scheme S3.** Proposed mechanisms (resp. products of formation) of the formation the chemically modified herbicides under the interaction with the 2-Piperazin-1-yl-ethylamine in the strong acidic medium; The proposed mechanisms of interactions were based on the theoretical NBO analysis evaluated by the shown  $q_X(\text{NBO})$  values, where X = O, N and C. The derivatives 1–4 are described in terms of the  $S_E$  reaction, since ether formed piperazine acted as base yielded the protonated forms in the presence of the acid. In contrast the 5 and 6 yielded the corresponding amines after the dechlorination at the  $S_{N2}$  reaction

## Experimental

### Computational methods

#### Quantum chemical calculations

Quantum chemical GAUSSIAN 09 and Dalton2011 program packages [1a,b] are used. The geometries of the studied herbicides and MS species are optimized employing B3PW91, and M06-2X functional. The calculations of the molecular vibrations are utilized at 6-31+G(d,p), aug-cc-pVDZ and triple- $\zeta$  quality TZVP, triple- $\zeta$  plus double polarization TZ2P basis set, Los Alamos National Laboratory's 2 double- $\zeta$  as well as quasirelativistic effective core pseudo potentials from Stuttgart-Dresden. The UV-VIS spectra are calculated, using TDDFT method at above levels, PCM approach and mixed solvation model [1]. The chemical reactivity and proton accepting ability was evaluated by the NBO analysis [1].



### *Statistical and mathematical methods (Chemometrics)*

The experimental and theoretical spectroscopic data are processed with a view to determine the peak positions and the integral intensities by R4Cal Open Office STATISTICS for Windows 7 program package, according the mathematical procedures and algorithms described in [2]. The statistical significance of each regression coefficient is evaluated by the statistical methods [2].

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