

Design, Synthesis, Biological Evaluation, and SAR Studies of Novel Cyclopentaquinoline Derivatives as DNA Intercalators, Topoisomerase II Inhibitors, and Apoptotic Inducers

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Figure SI 1. 2D overlay diagram showing the superimposition of the native co-crystallized EVP, and the redocked co-crystallized one at human topoisomerase II-DNA complex target protein with **PDB:** 3QX3 with RMSD value 1.42 Å after the re-docking process for MOE program validation.

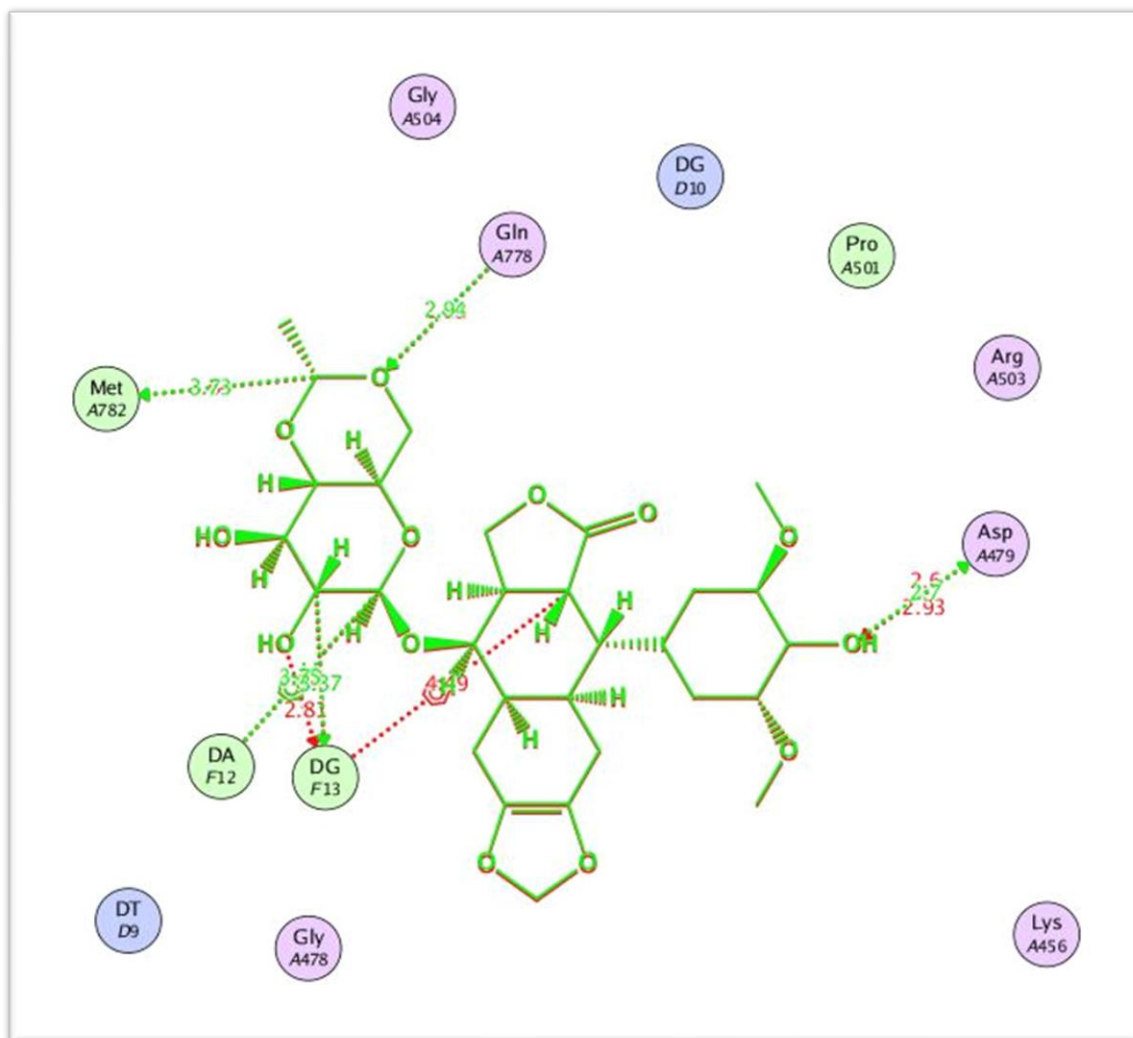


Table SI 1. Cytotoxic activity of some compounds against Liver, Breast, and Colon cancer cell lines.

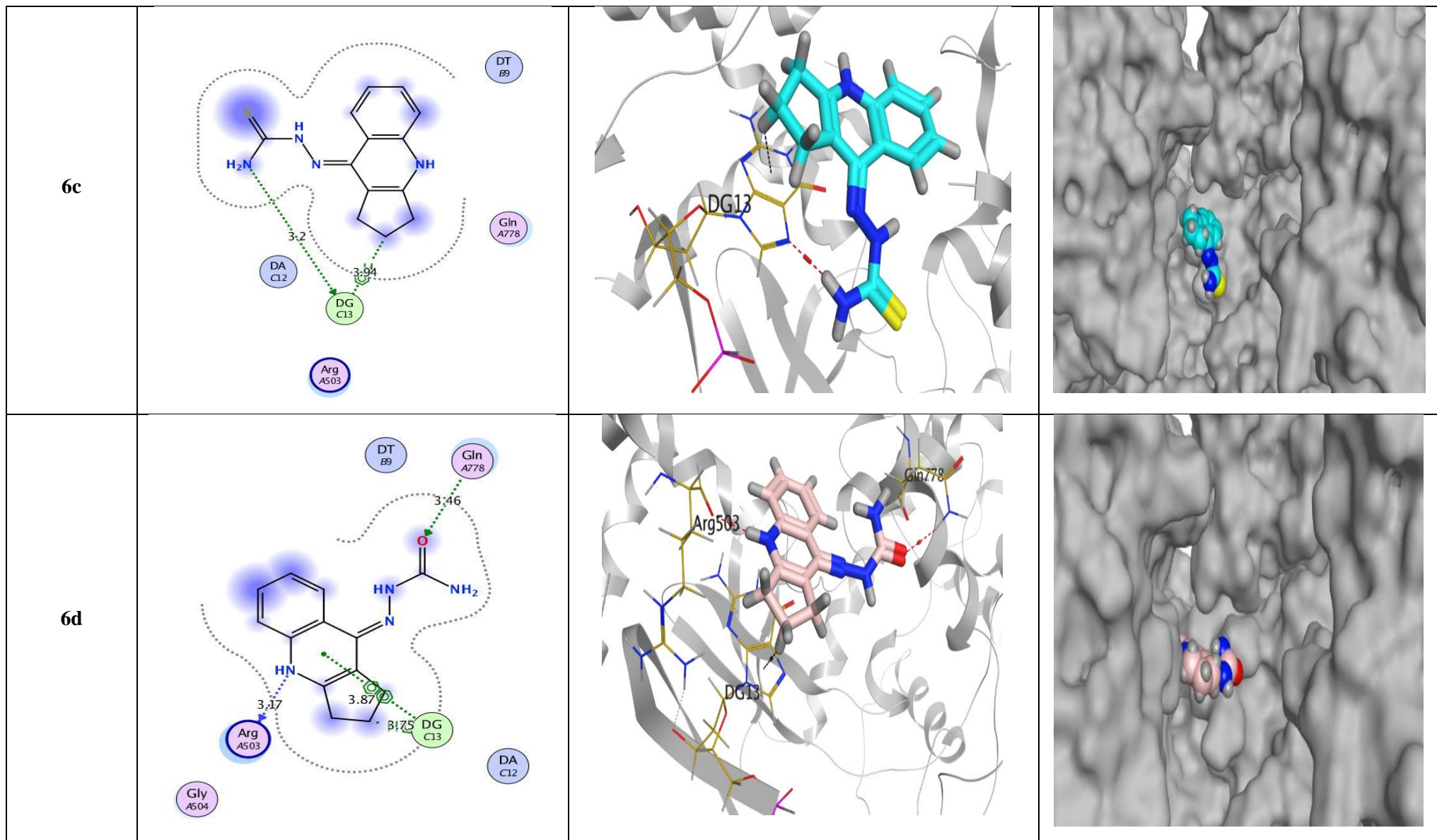
Comp.	In vitro Cytotoxicity IC₅₀ (μM)•				
	HePG-2	MCF-7	HCT-116	MDA-231	Caco-2
5	10.45±0.8	36.33±2.3	22.49±1.8	17.09±1.4	57.39±3.2
6a	64.28±2.8	56.48±3.1	49.12±2.7	62.27±3.2	74.28±3.8
6b	28.43±1.9	23.87±1.8	30.04±2.2	34.62±2.4	45.49±2.9
6c	19.57±1.4	15.92±1.2	13.55±1.1	26.86±2.0	31.02±2.5
6d	7.06±0.4	11.61±0.8	6.28±0.3	8.32±0.6	18.76±1.4
6e	46.60±2.3	41.52±2.5	37.25±2.4	50.39±2.9	67.01±3.5
6f	2.31±0.1	6.83±0.4	3.67±0.2	4.78±0.3	9.83±0.7
6g	72.14±3.2	82.36±3.9	68.43±3.1	75.41±3.5	92.53±4.2
Doxorubicin	4.50±0.2	4.17±0.2	5.23±0.3	3.18±0.1	12.49±1.1

Table SI 2. Binding scores, RMSD values, and amino acid/nucleotides interactions of the synthesized compounds (**6a-g**) into DNA–topo II complex along with doxorubicin and the co-crystallized ligand (EVP) as two reference standards.

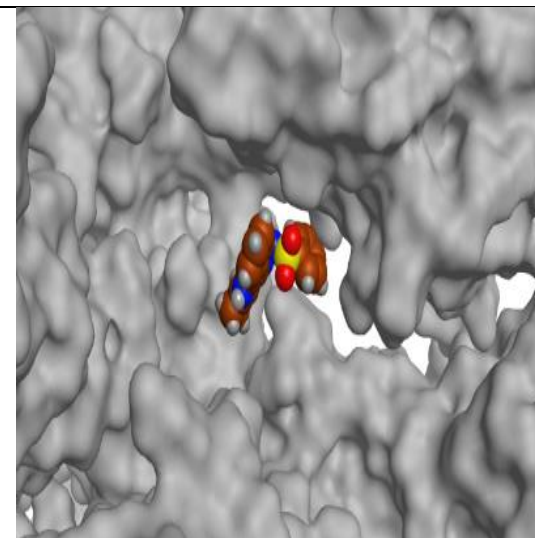
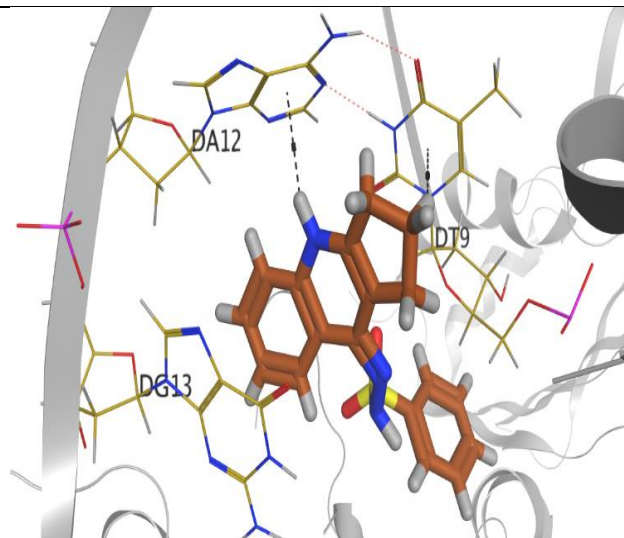
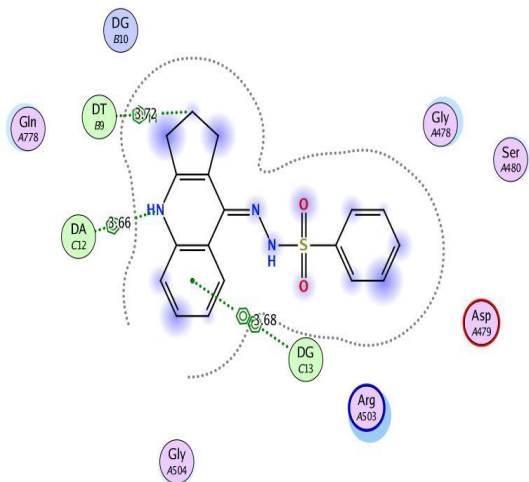
Compound	Score^a	RMSD_refine^b	Interactions	Distance Å
6a	-6.22	0.65	DT9/H-donor	3.28
6b	-6.49	1.94	ASP479/H-donor DA12/H-acceptor DG13/pi-pi DG13/pi-pi	3.34 3.44 3.54 3.56
6c	-5.81	1.12	DG13/H-donor DG13/H-pi	3.20 3.94
6d	-5.75	0.73	ARG503/H-donor GLN778/H-acceptor DG13/H-pi DG13/pi-pi	3.17 3.46 3.75 3.87
6e	-6.99	1.75	DA12/H-pi DT9/H-pi DG13/pi-pi	3.66 3.72 3.68
6f	-6.62	0.93	ASP479/H-donor ARG503/H-acceptor ARG503/pi-H DG13/pi-pi	3.02 3.20 4.10 3.85
6g	-6.96	1.54	DT9/H-pi DT9/pi-H DG13/pi-pi DG/13/pi-pi	4.05 3.69 3.77 3.54
Doxorubicin	-8.92	1.35	ASP479/H-donor DG10/H-donor DA12/H-donor ASP479/H-acceptor SER480/H-acceptor DT9/pi-H	2.83 3.20 3.08 3.02 3.38 3.48
EVP	-10.52	1.41	ASP479/H-donor MET782/H-donor DG13/H-donor GLN778/H-acceptor DA12/H-pi	2.70 3.73 3.37 2.94 3.75

Table SI 3. 2D pictures, 3D interactions and 3D protein positioning pictures representing the binding interactions of the investigated compounds (**6a-6g**) into human topoisomerase II-DNA complex target protein with the redocked co-crystallized ligand EVP and doxorubicin as reference controls.

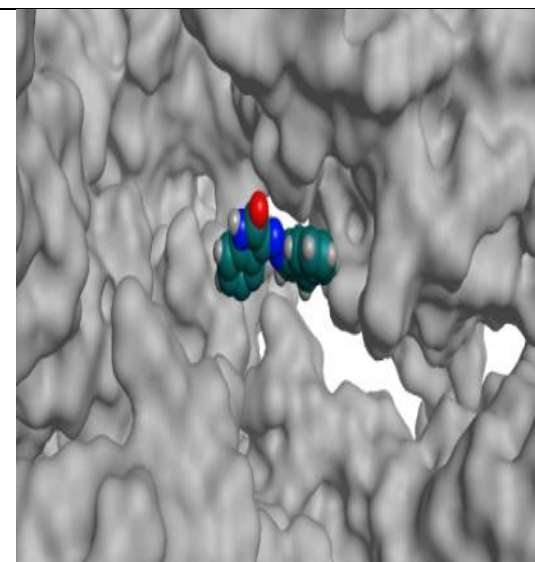
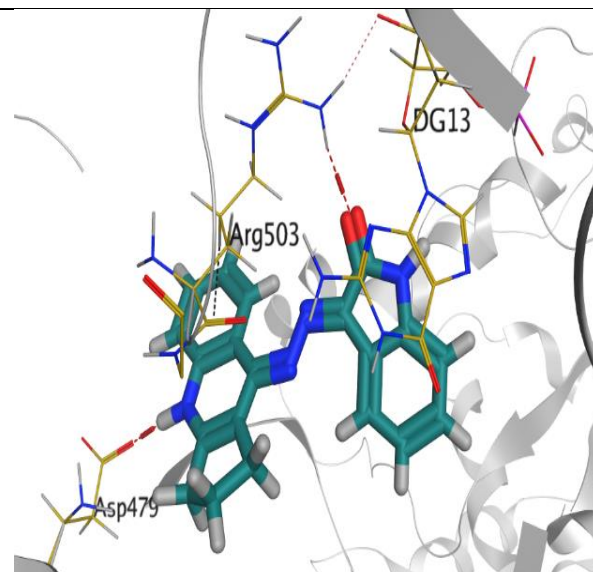
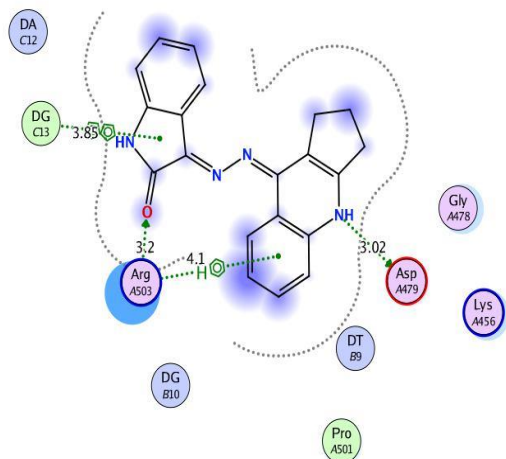
Compound	2D picture	3D interactions	3D protein position
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6b			



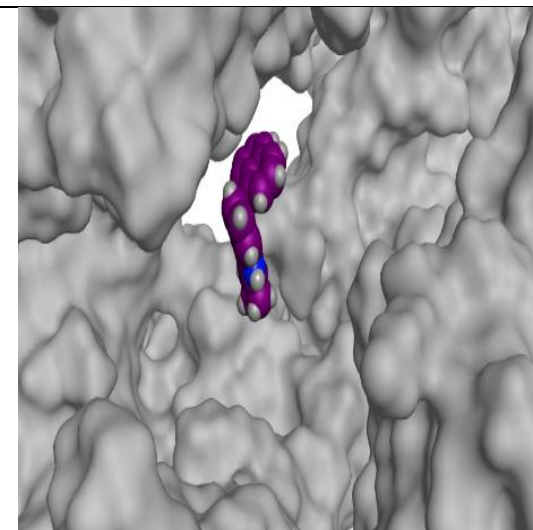
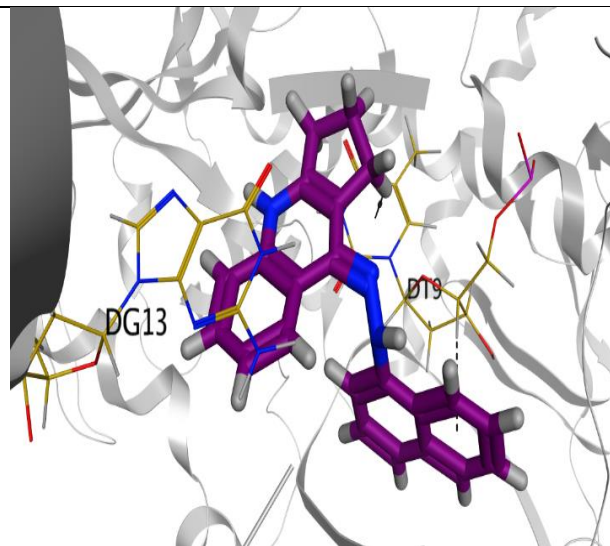
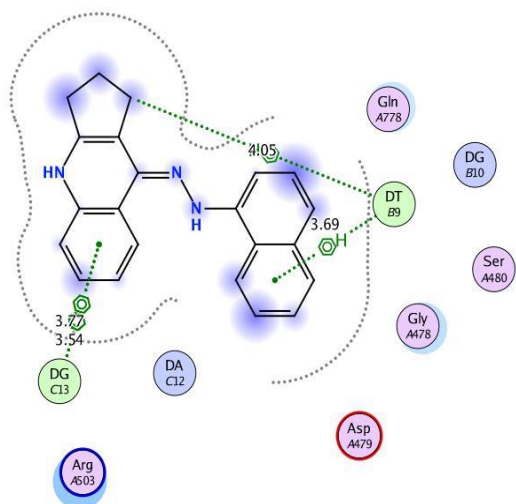
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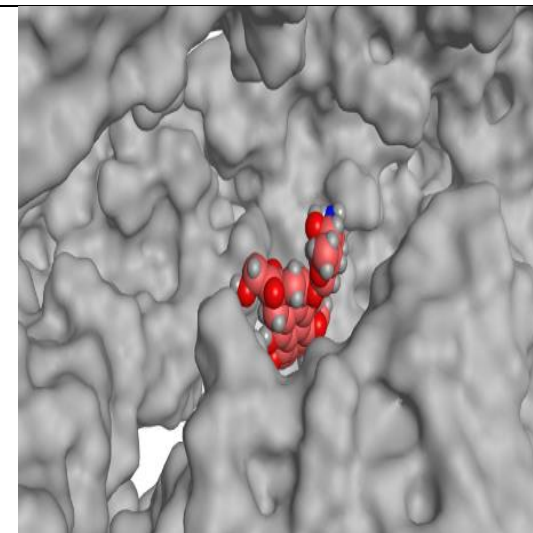
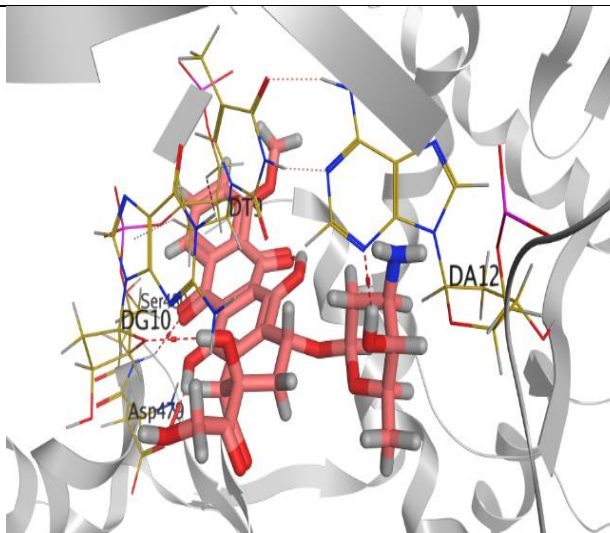
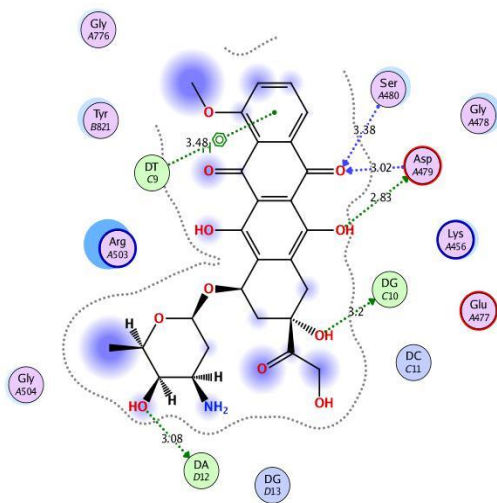
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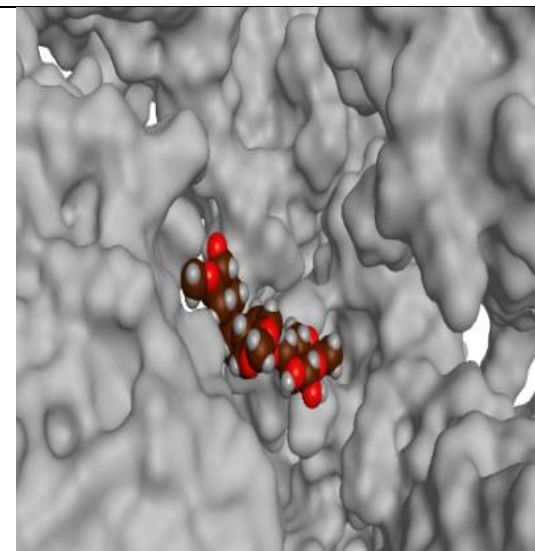
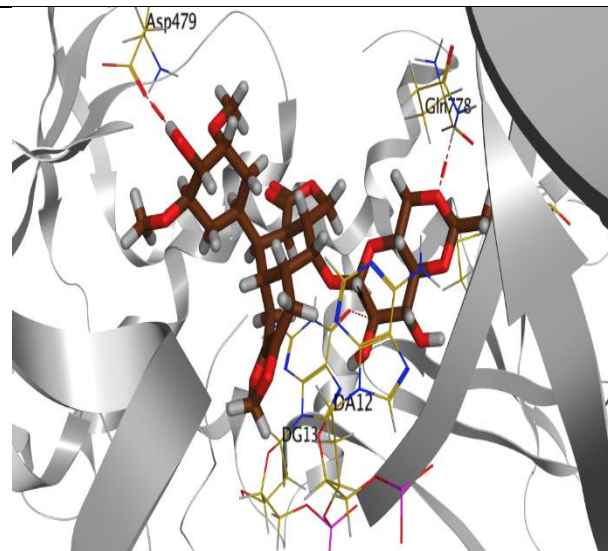
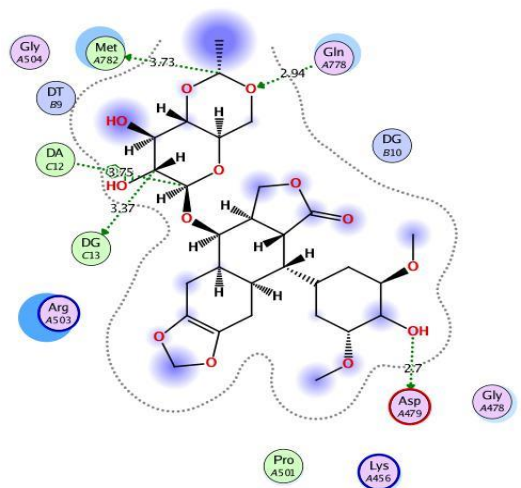
6g



Doxorubicin

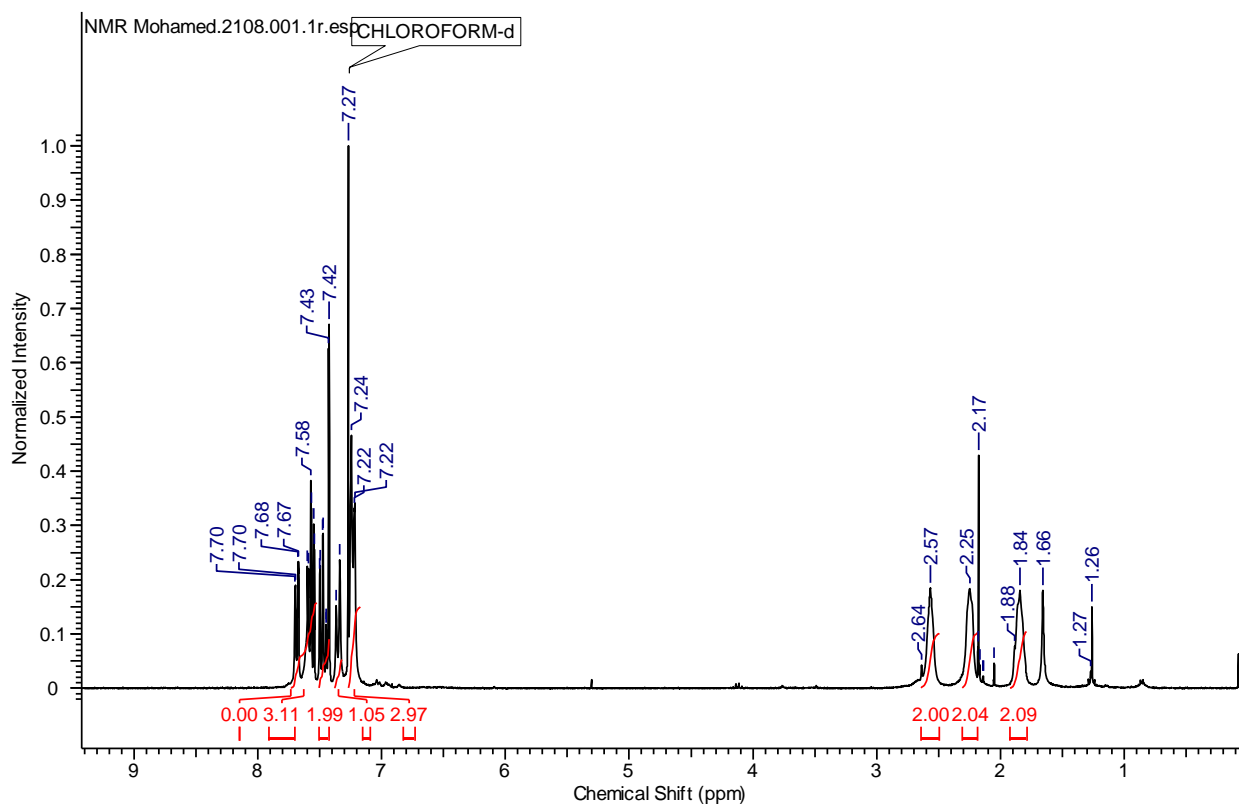
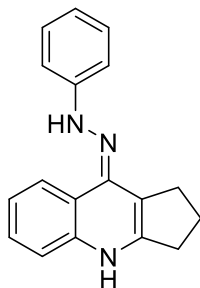


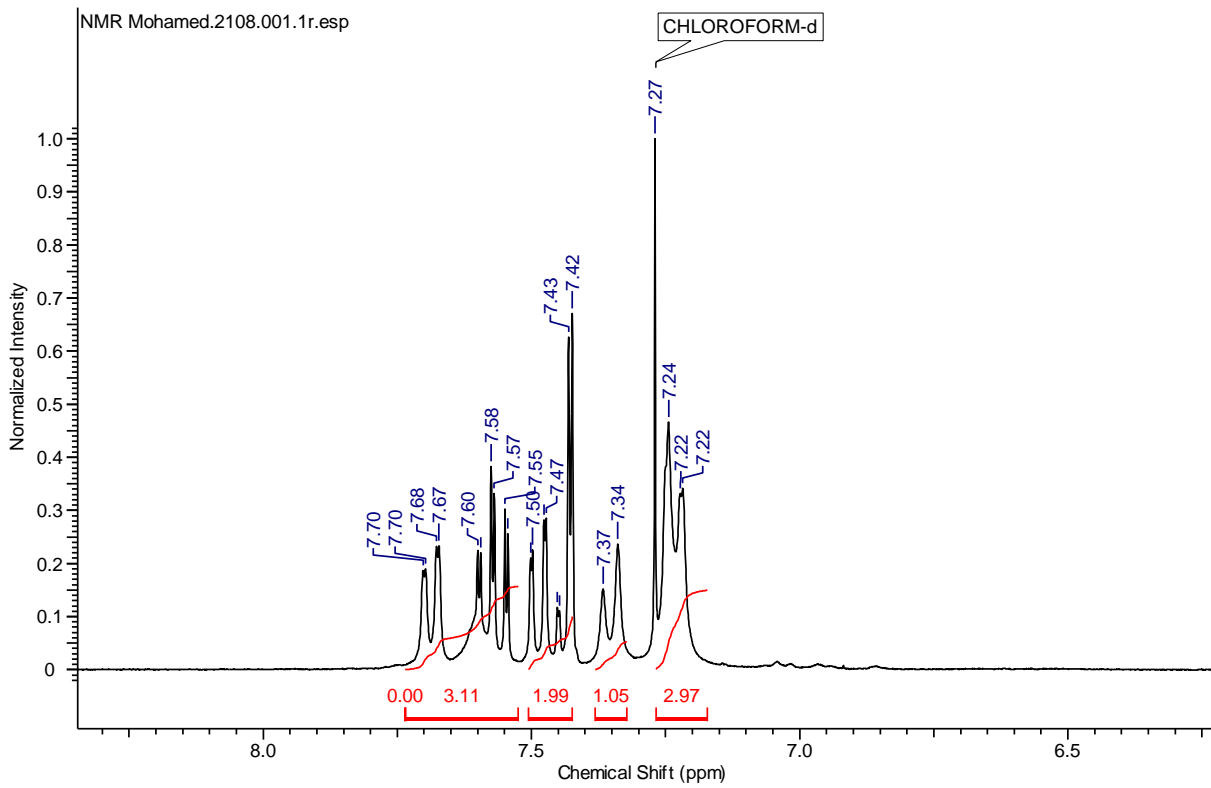
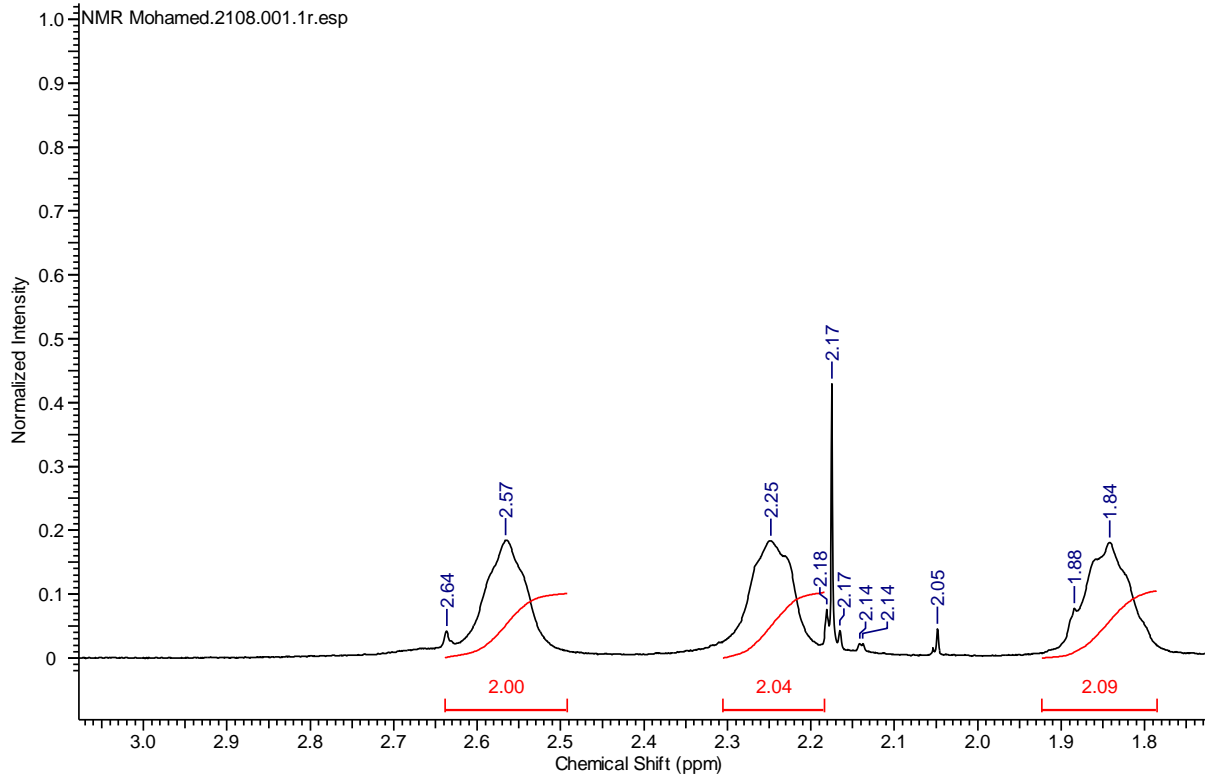
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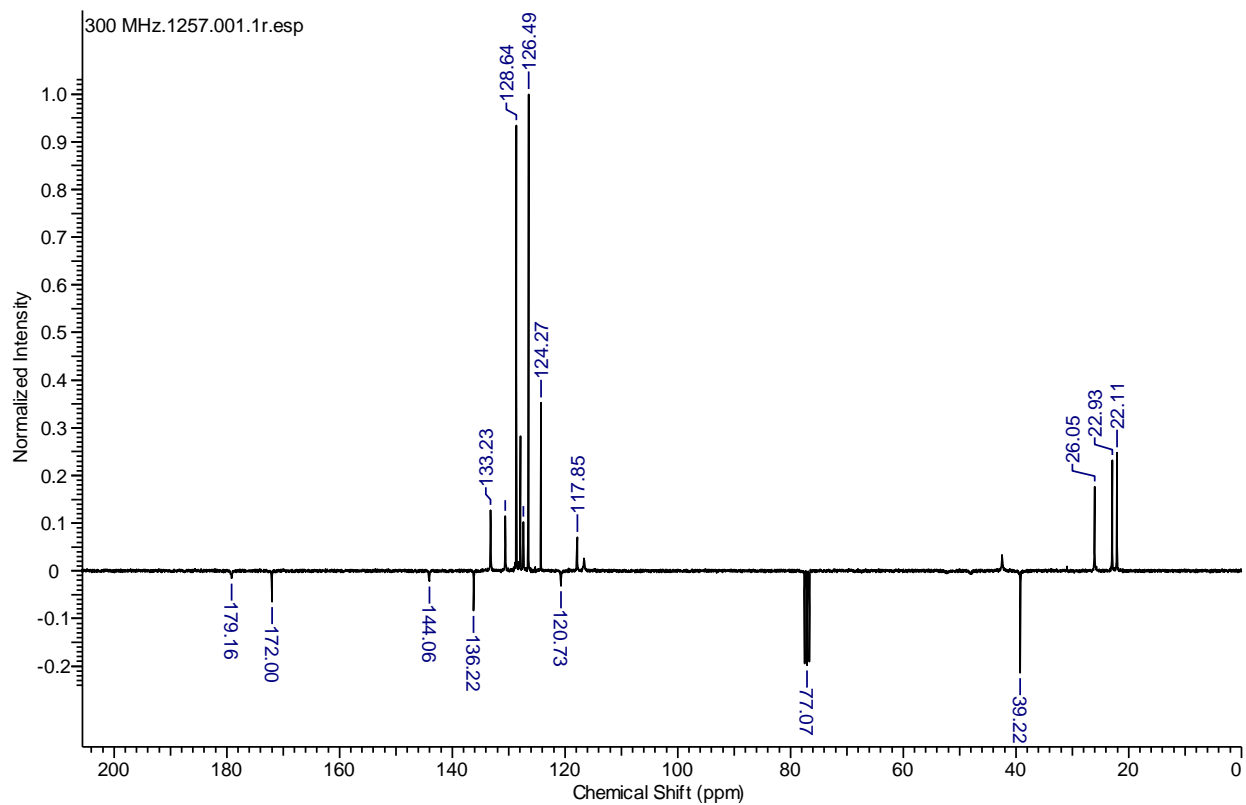


SI 1. Spectral data of compounds (6a-g), (IR, ¹HNMR, ¹³CNMR, DEPT, and Mass spectroscopy).

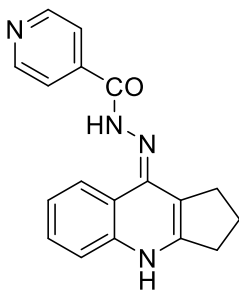
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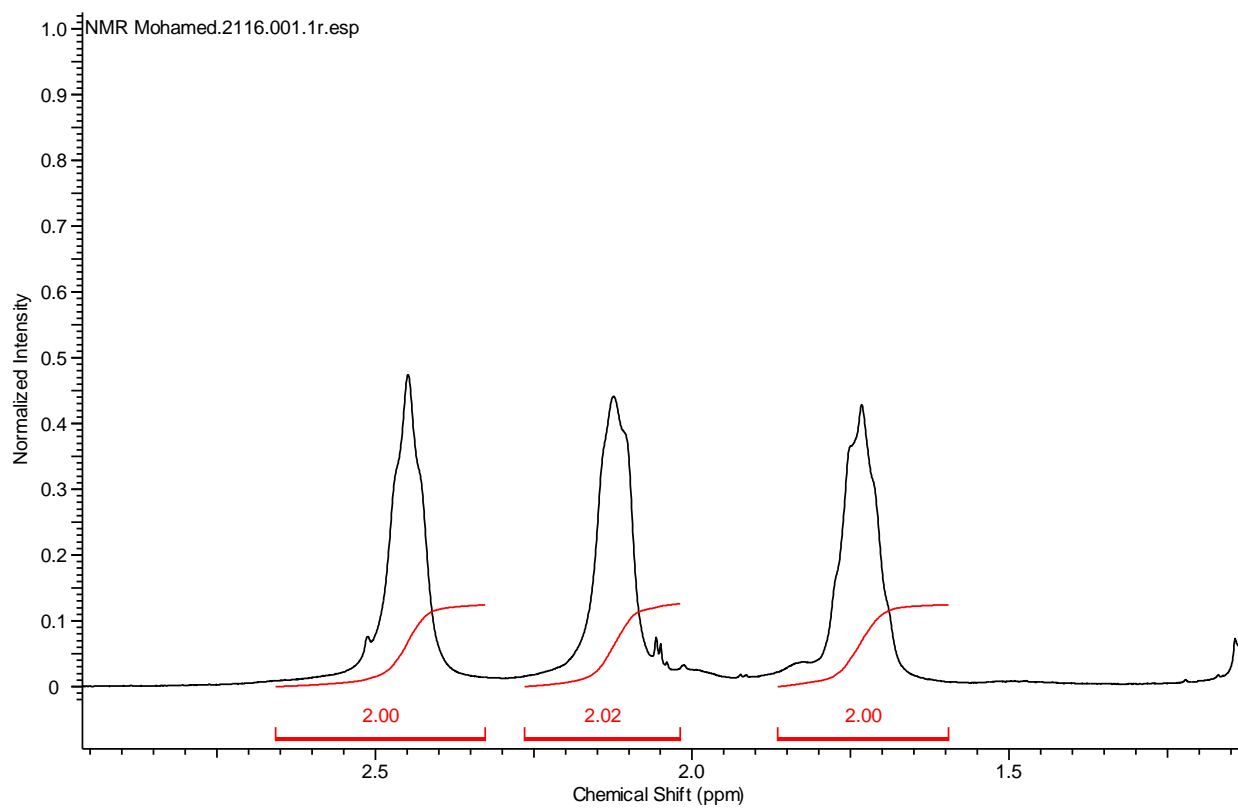
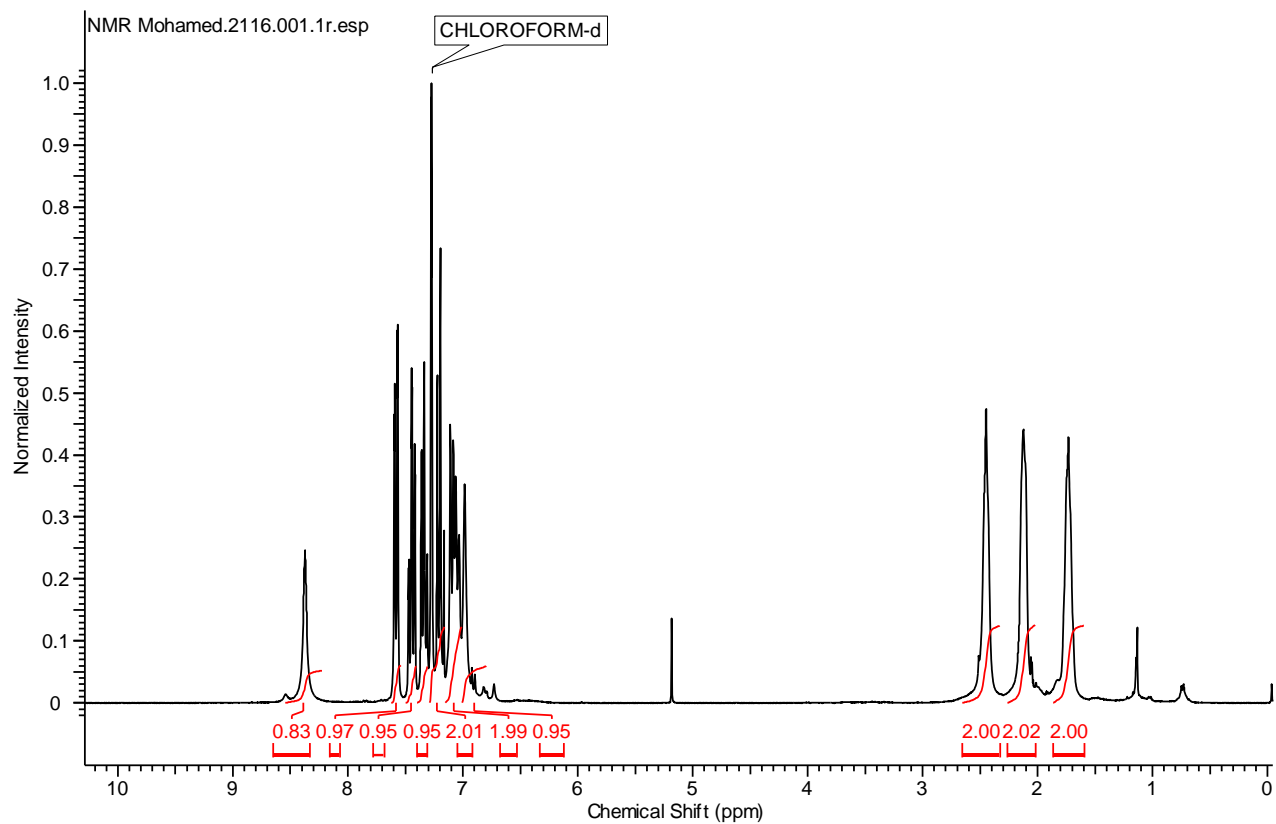


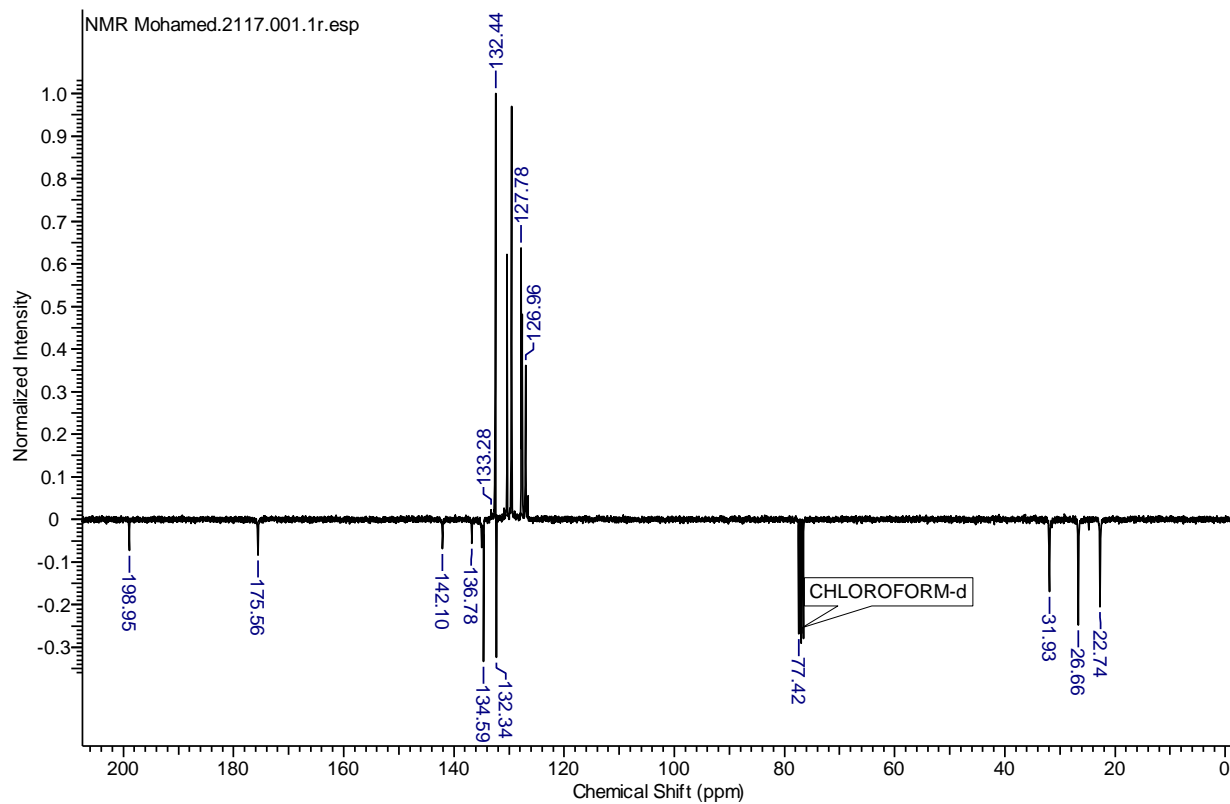
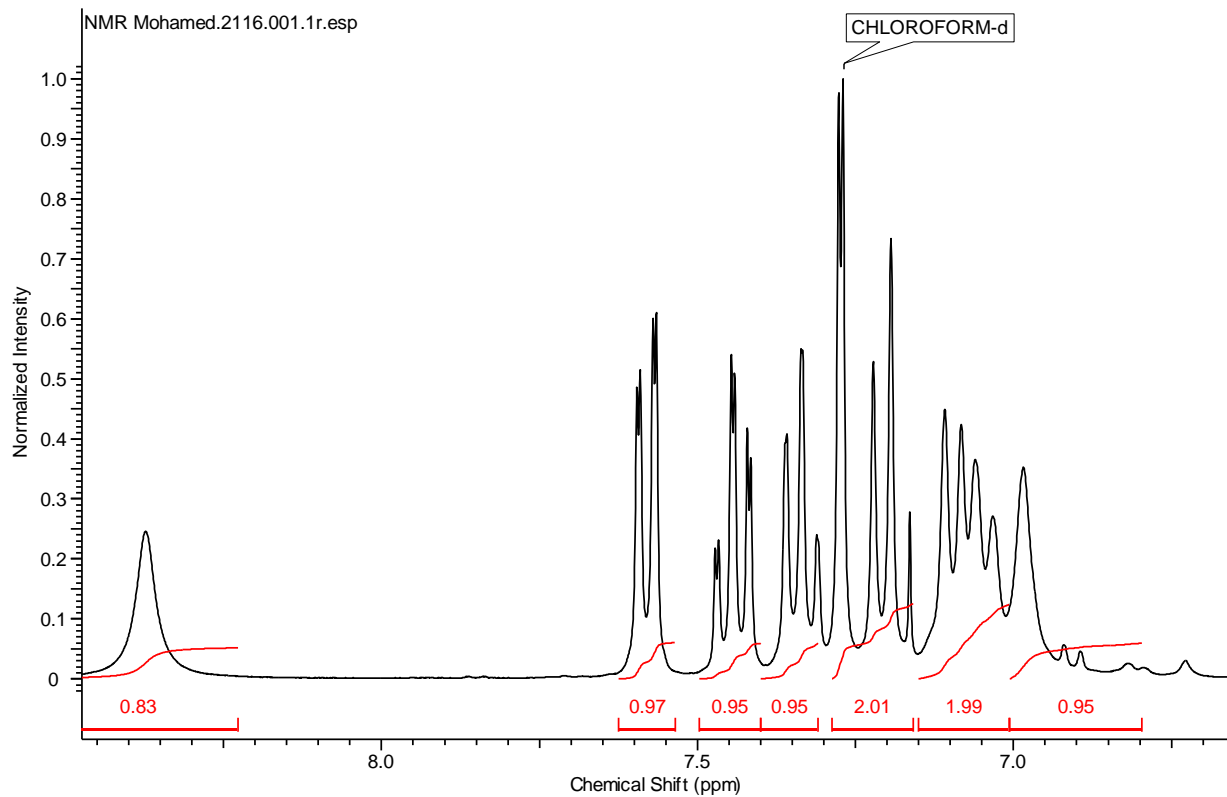


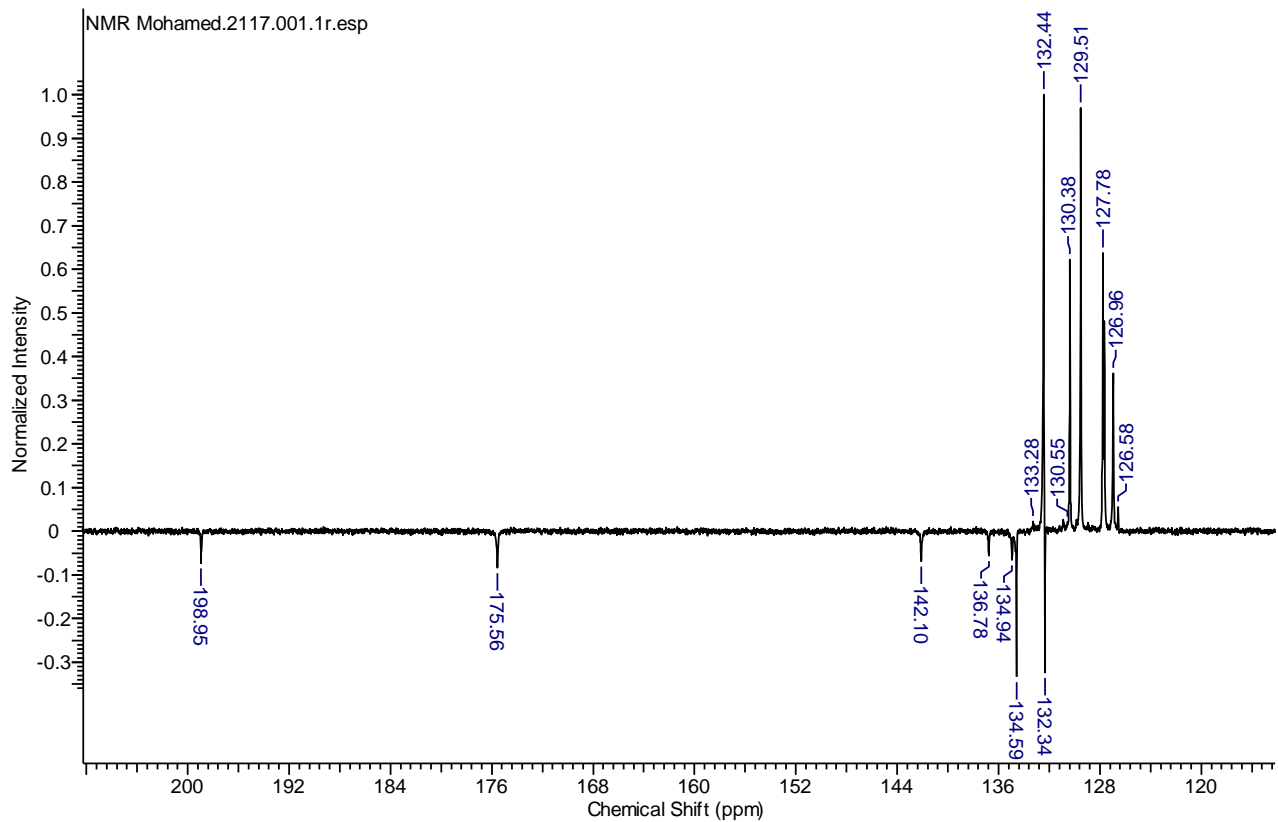
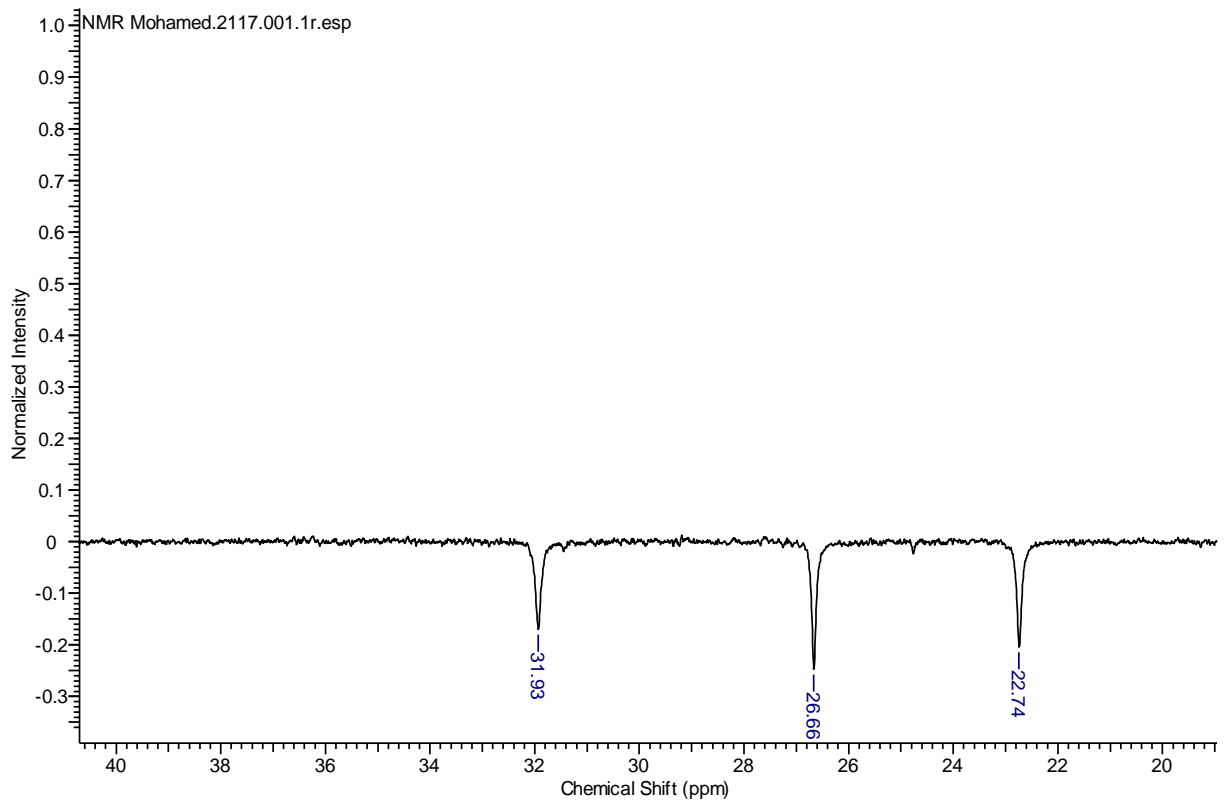


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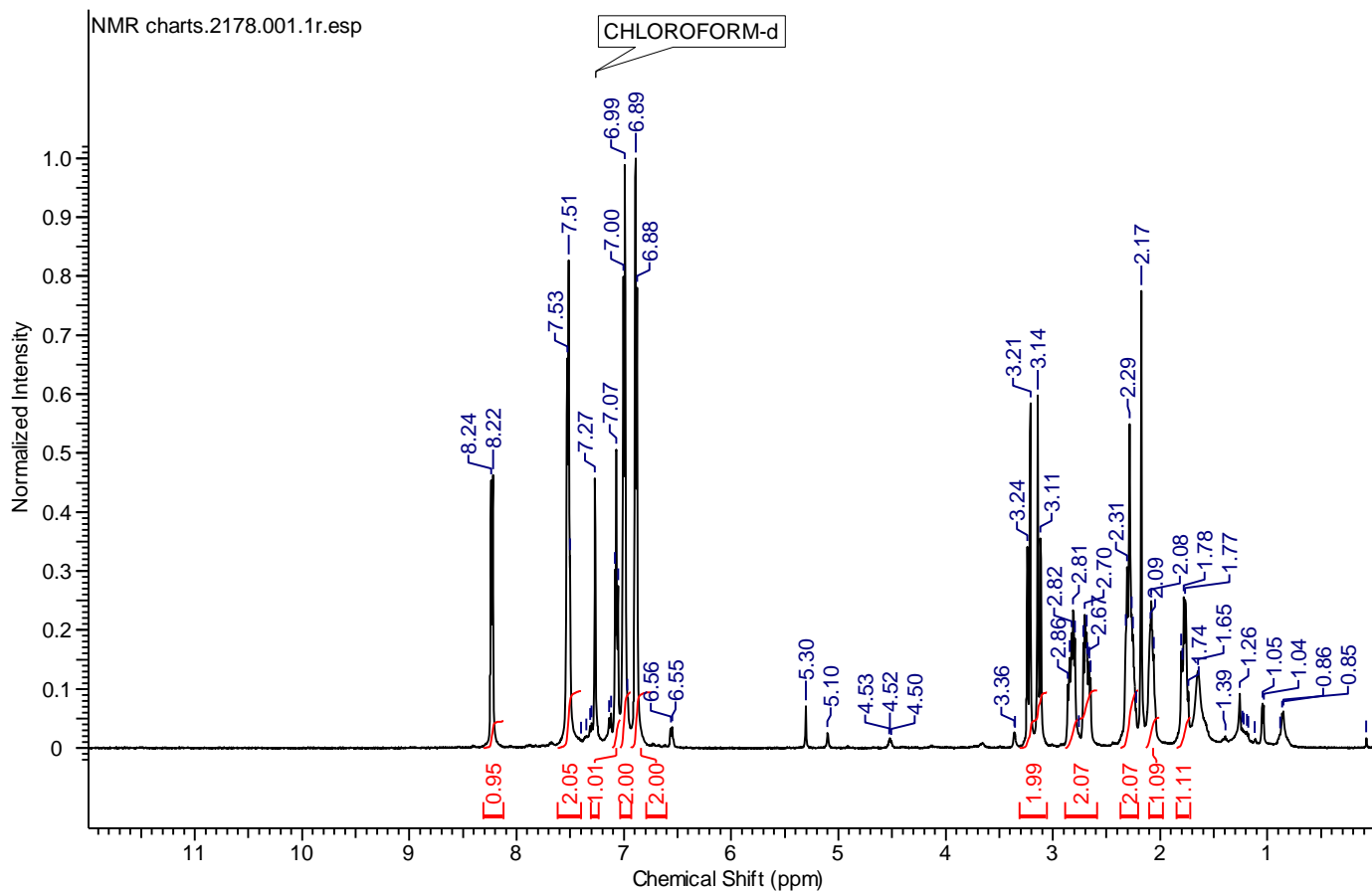
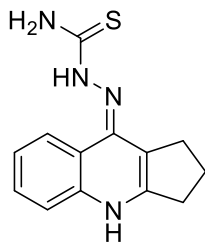


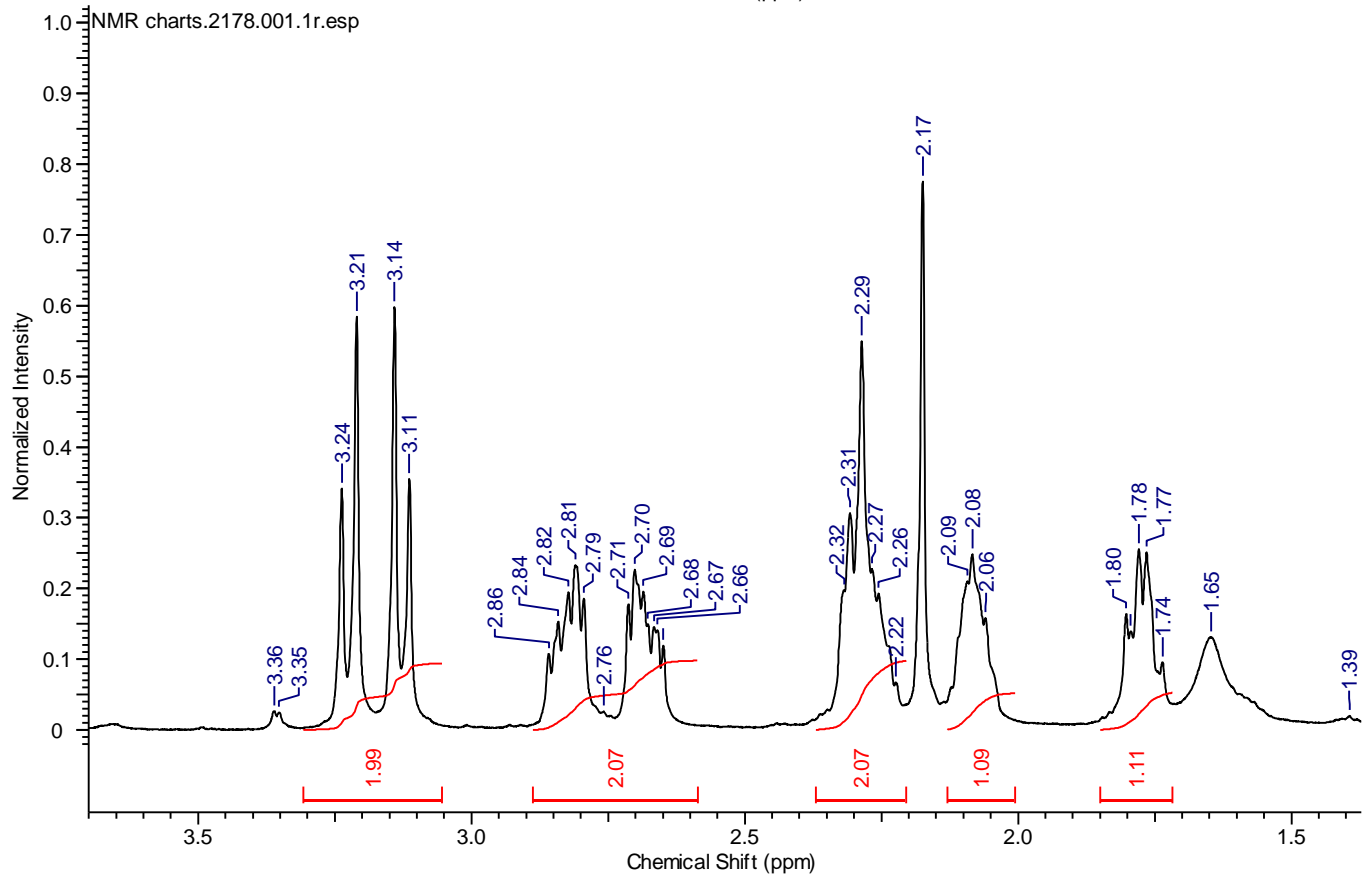
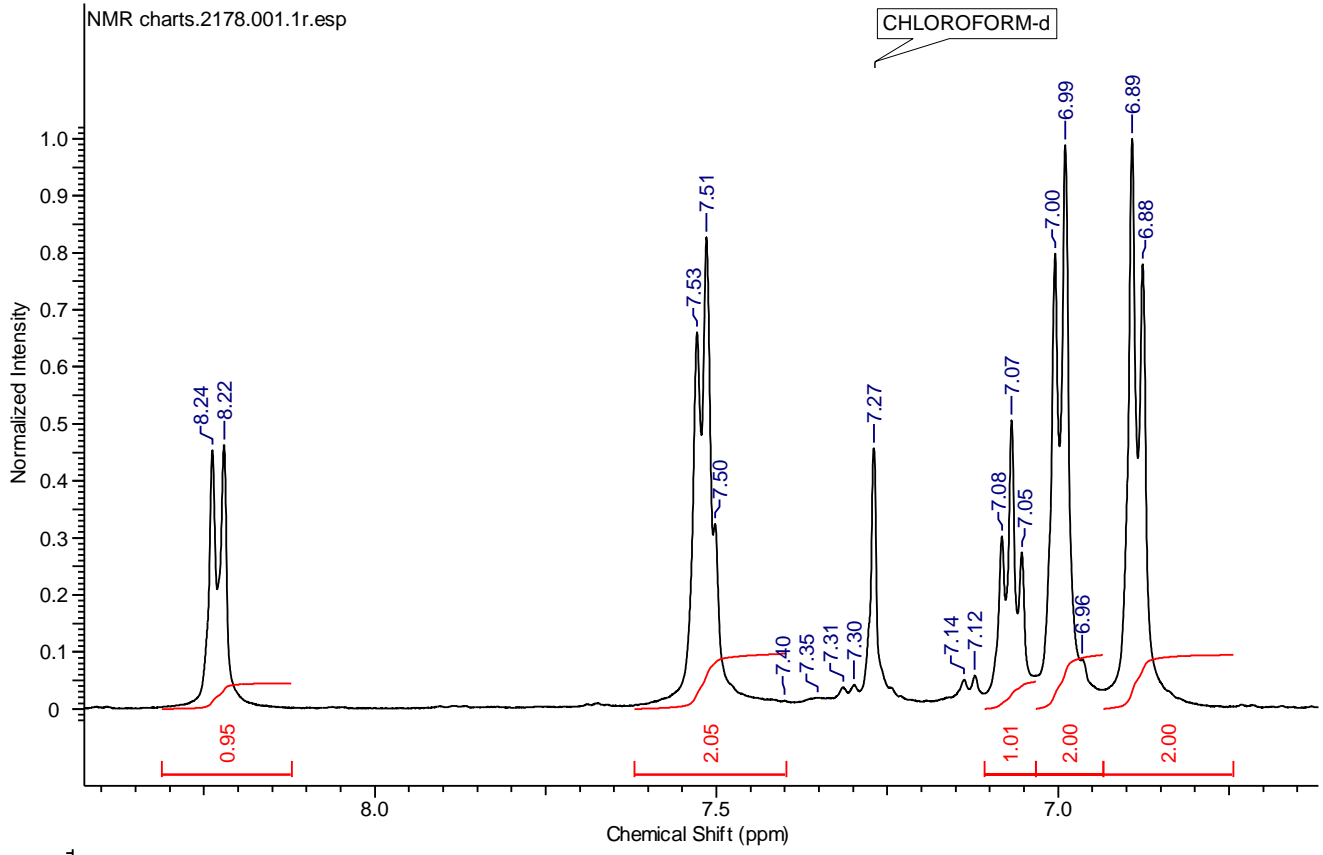


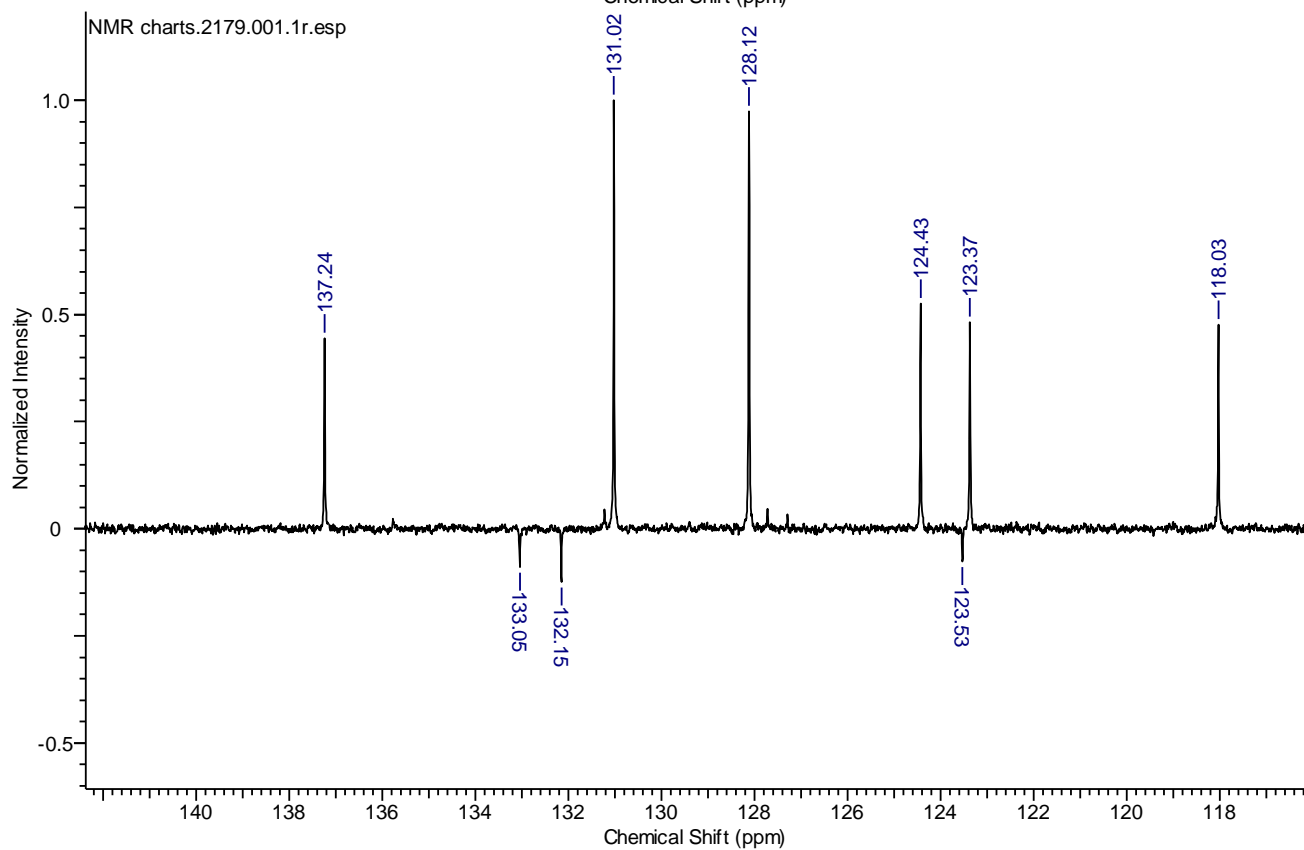
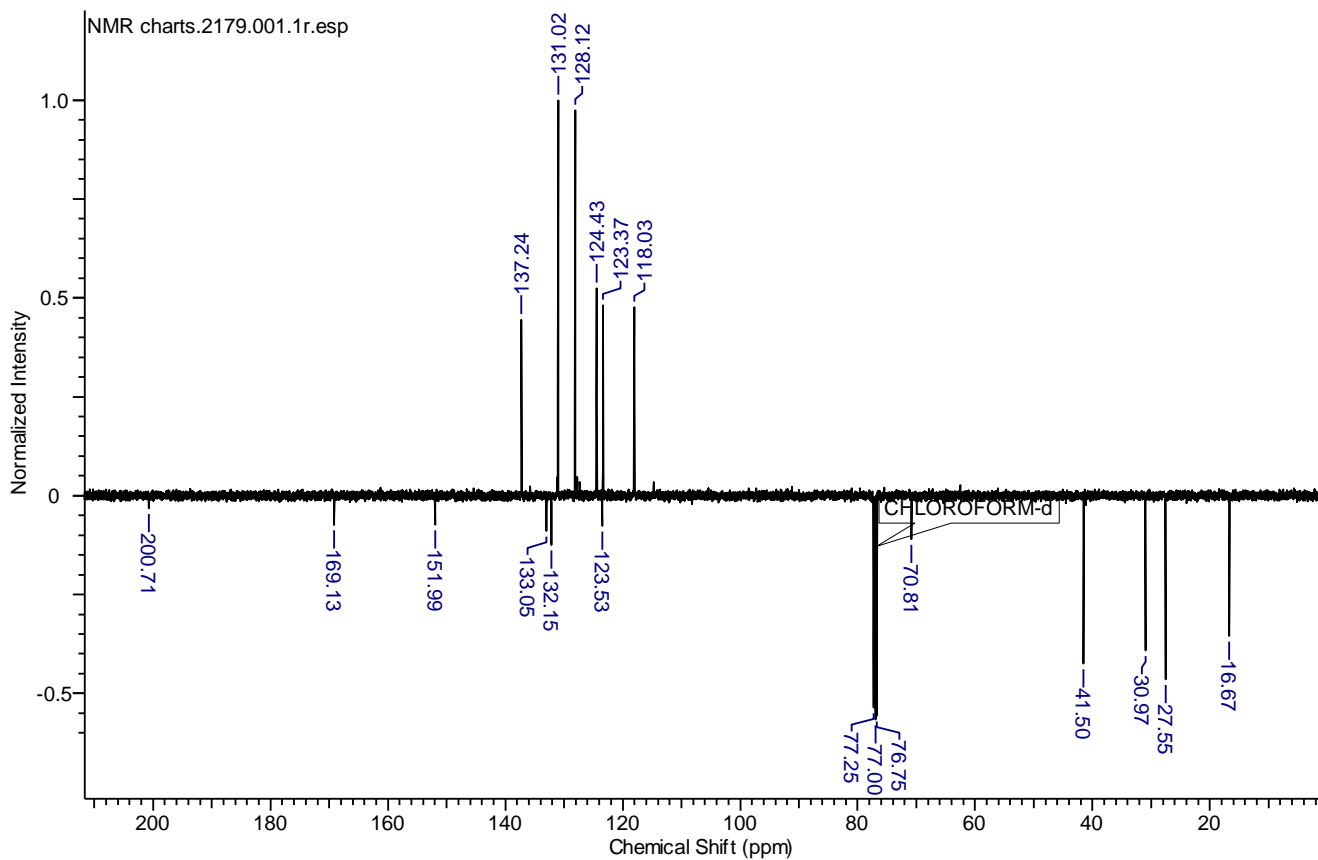




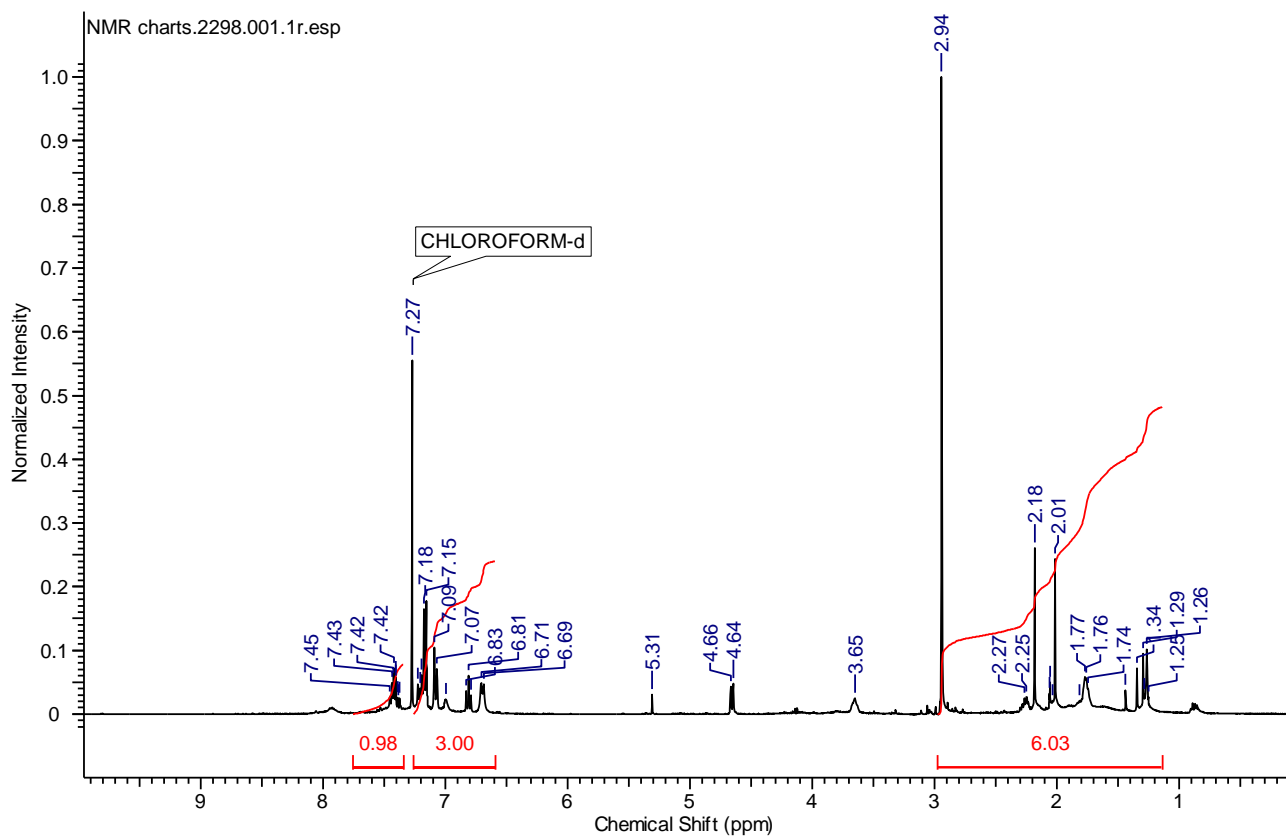
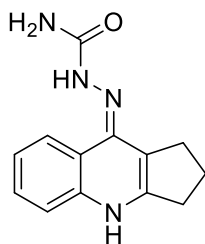
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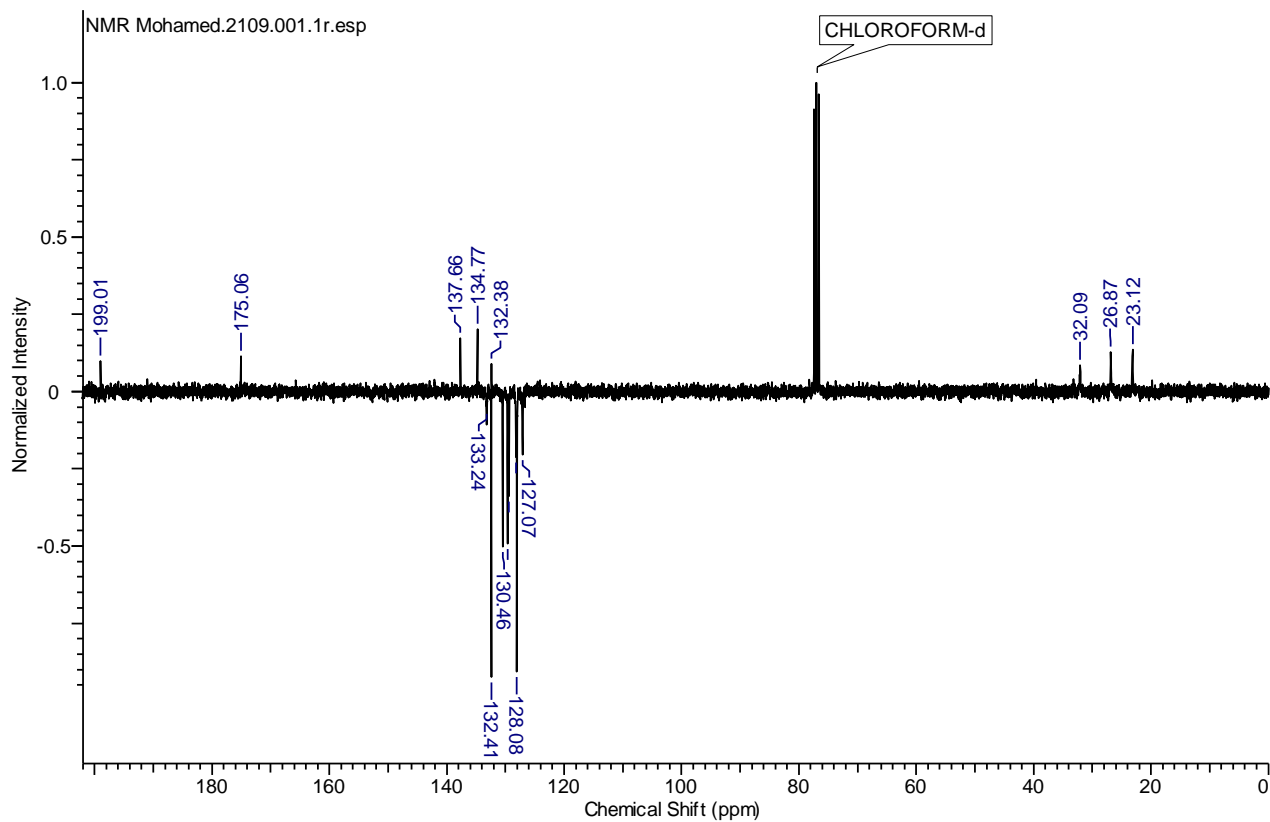
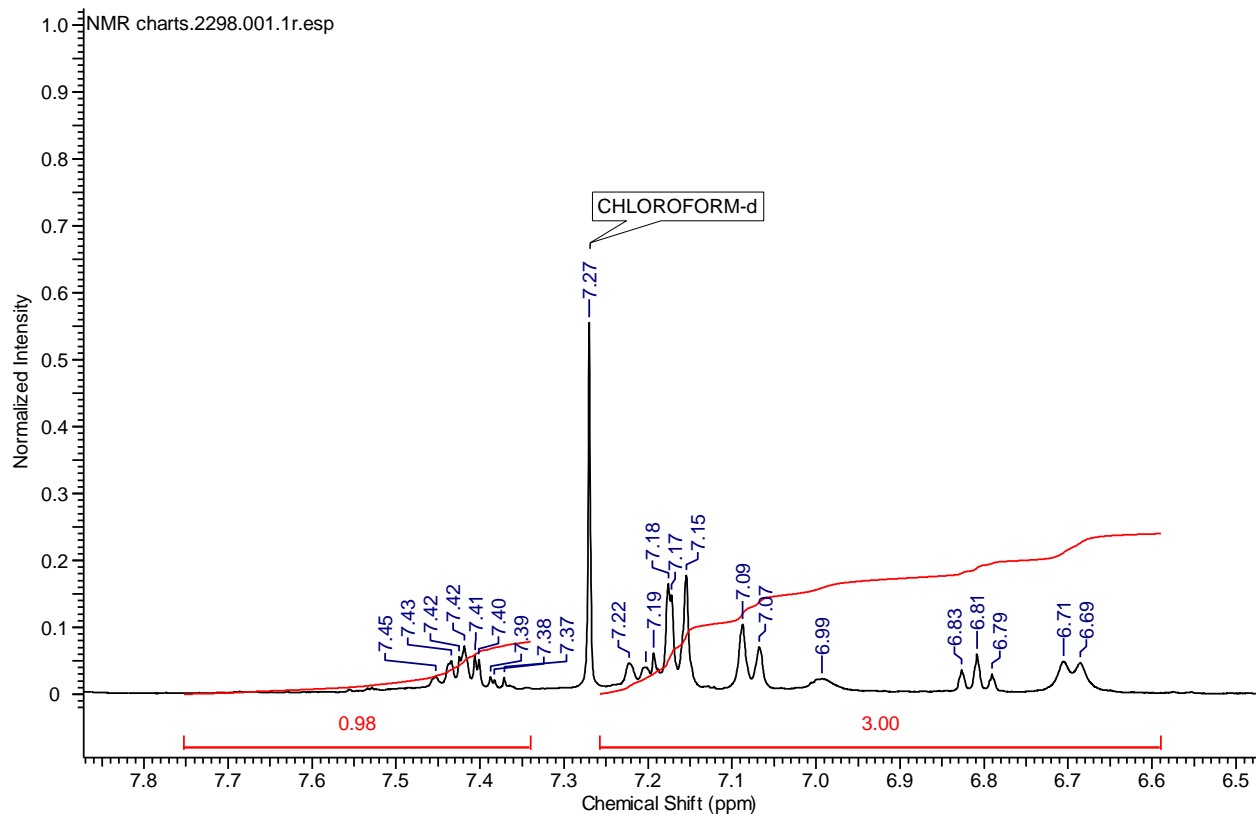




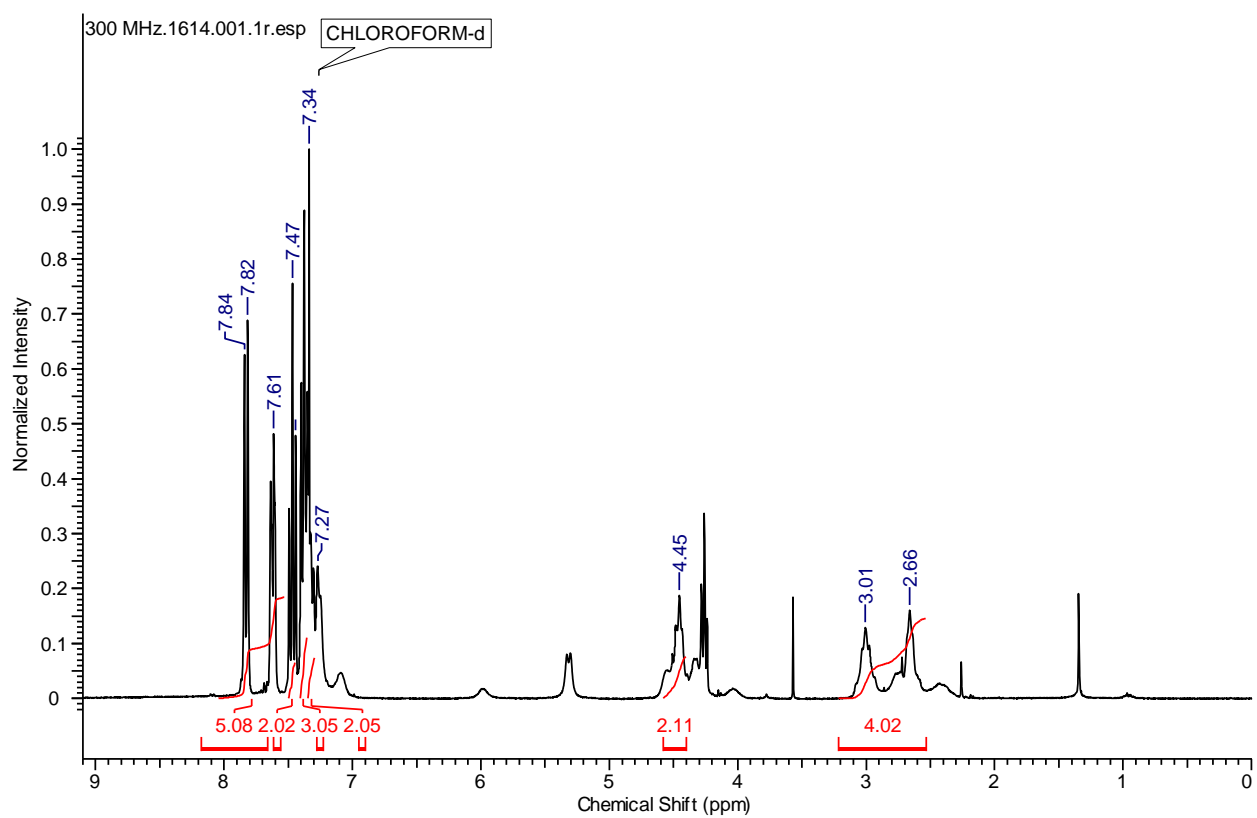
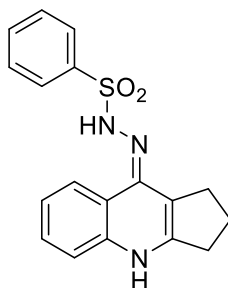


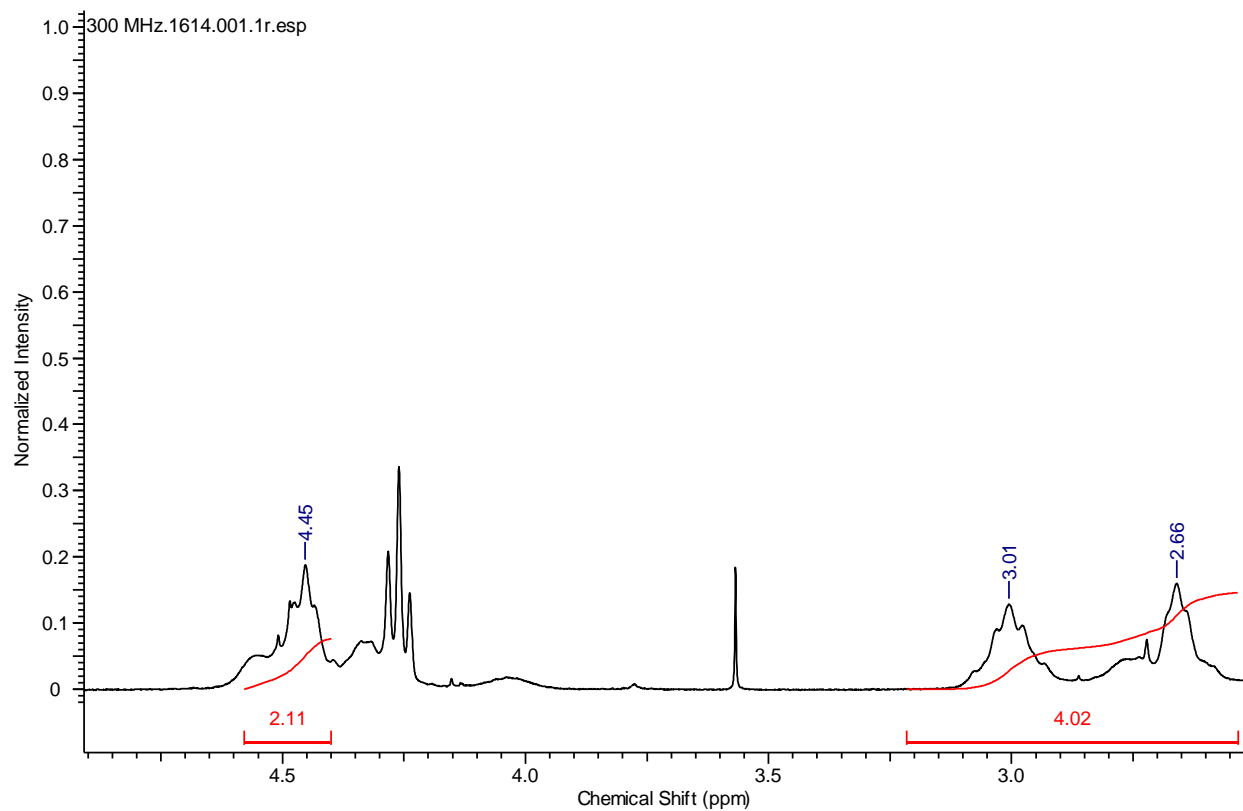
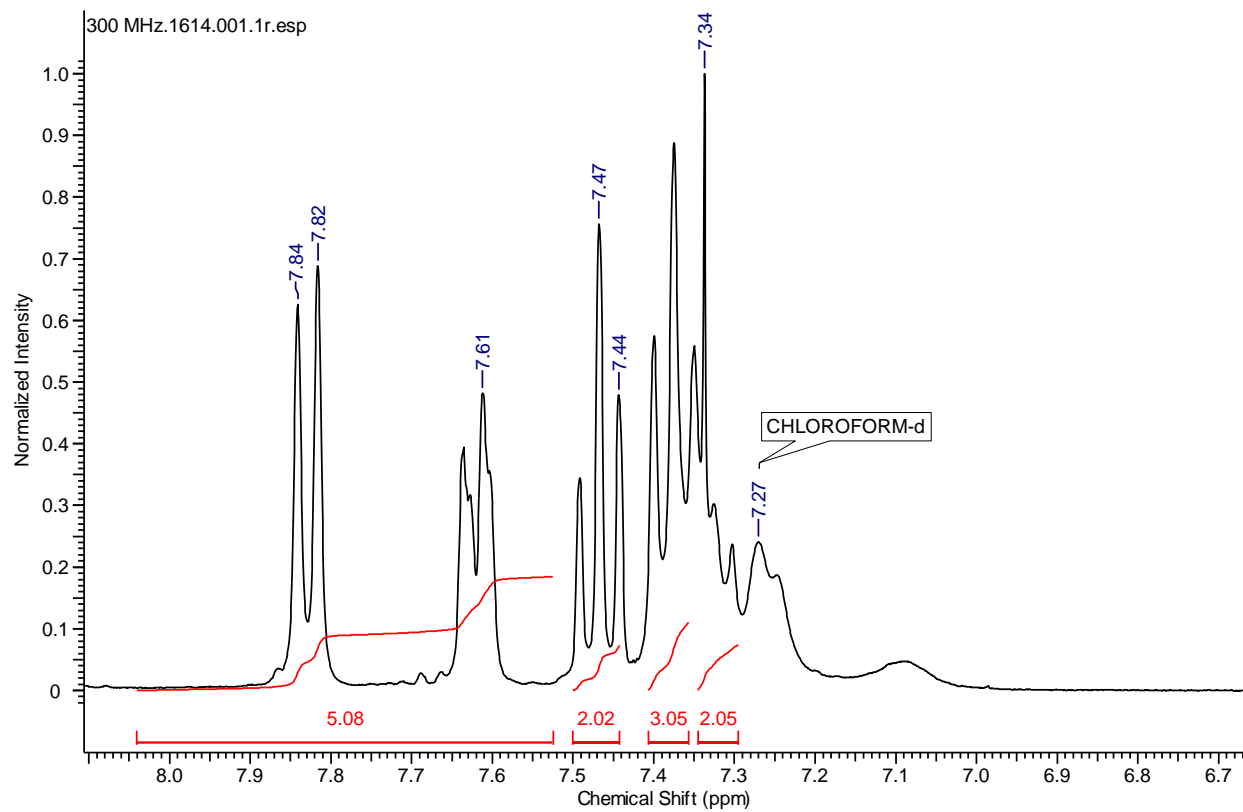
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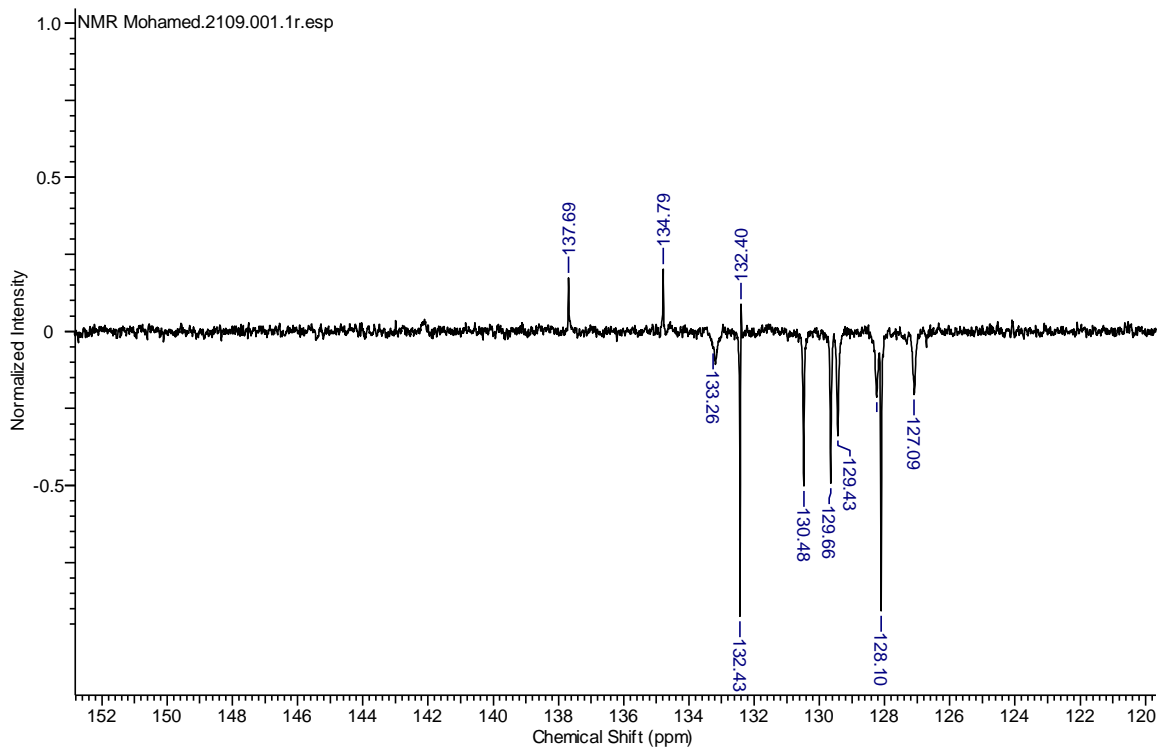
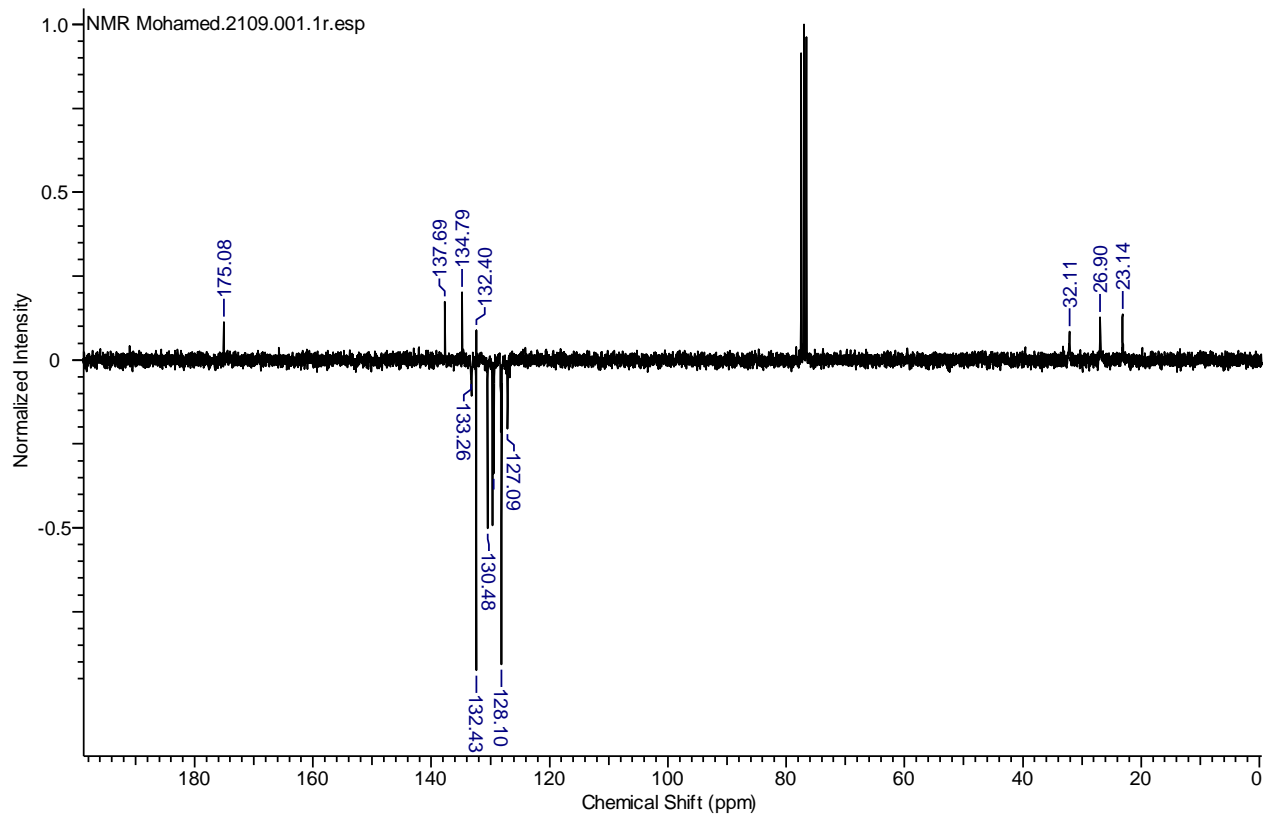




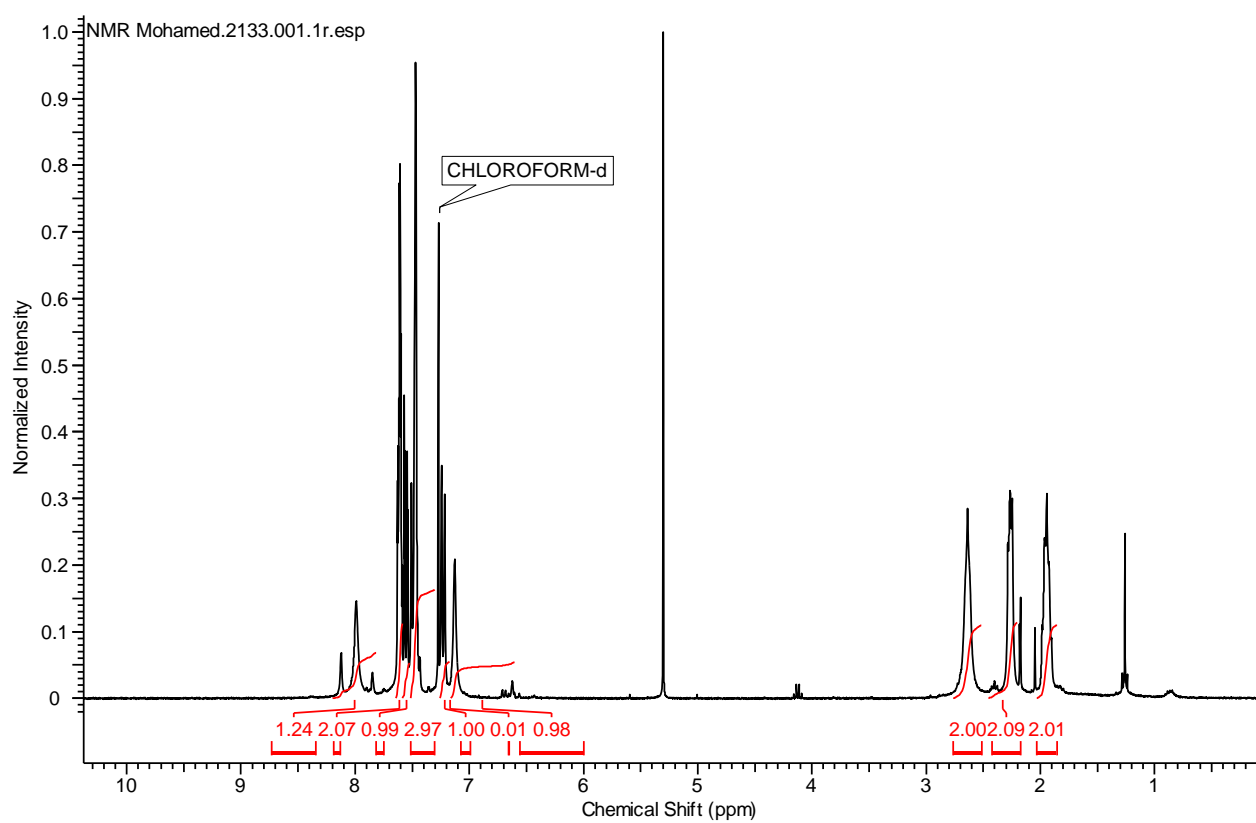
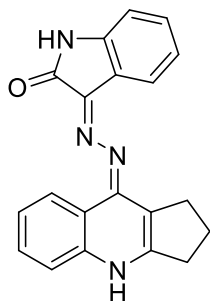
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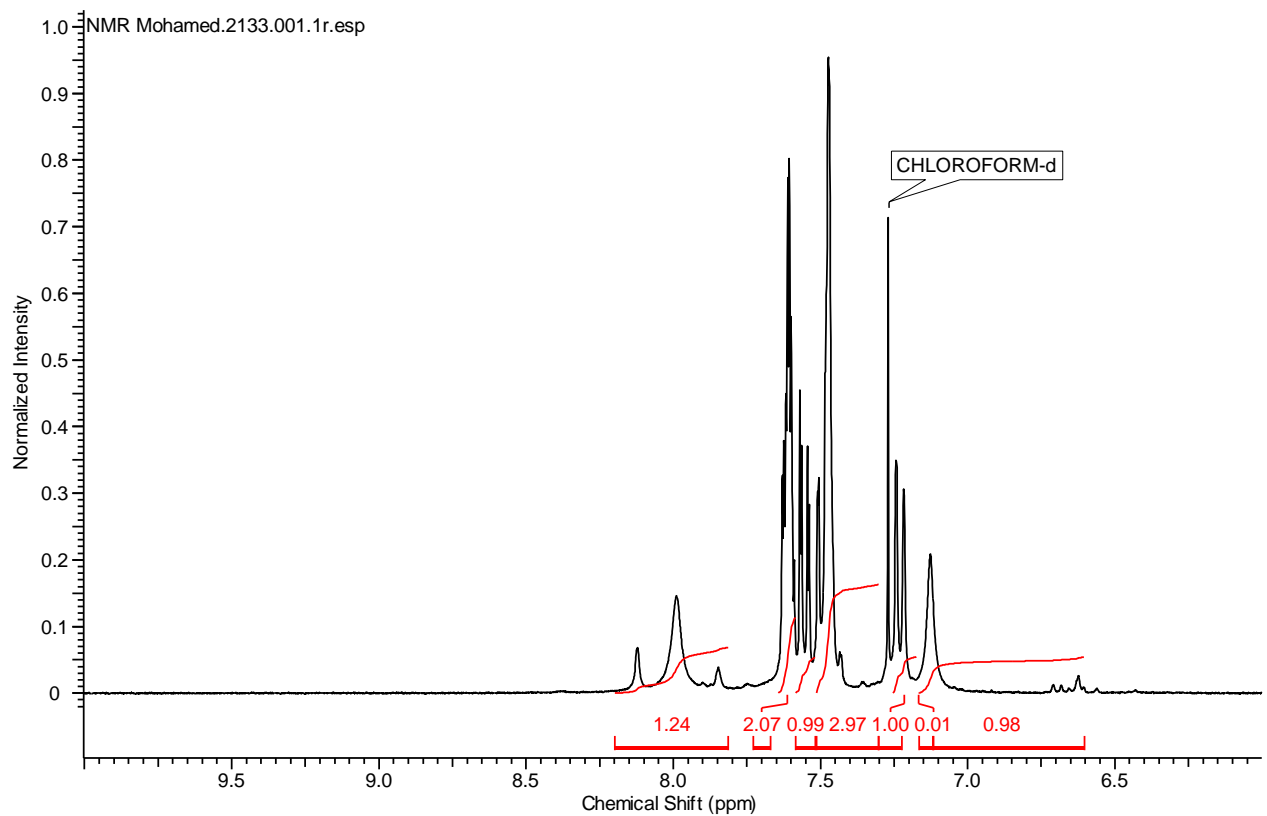
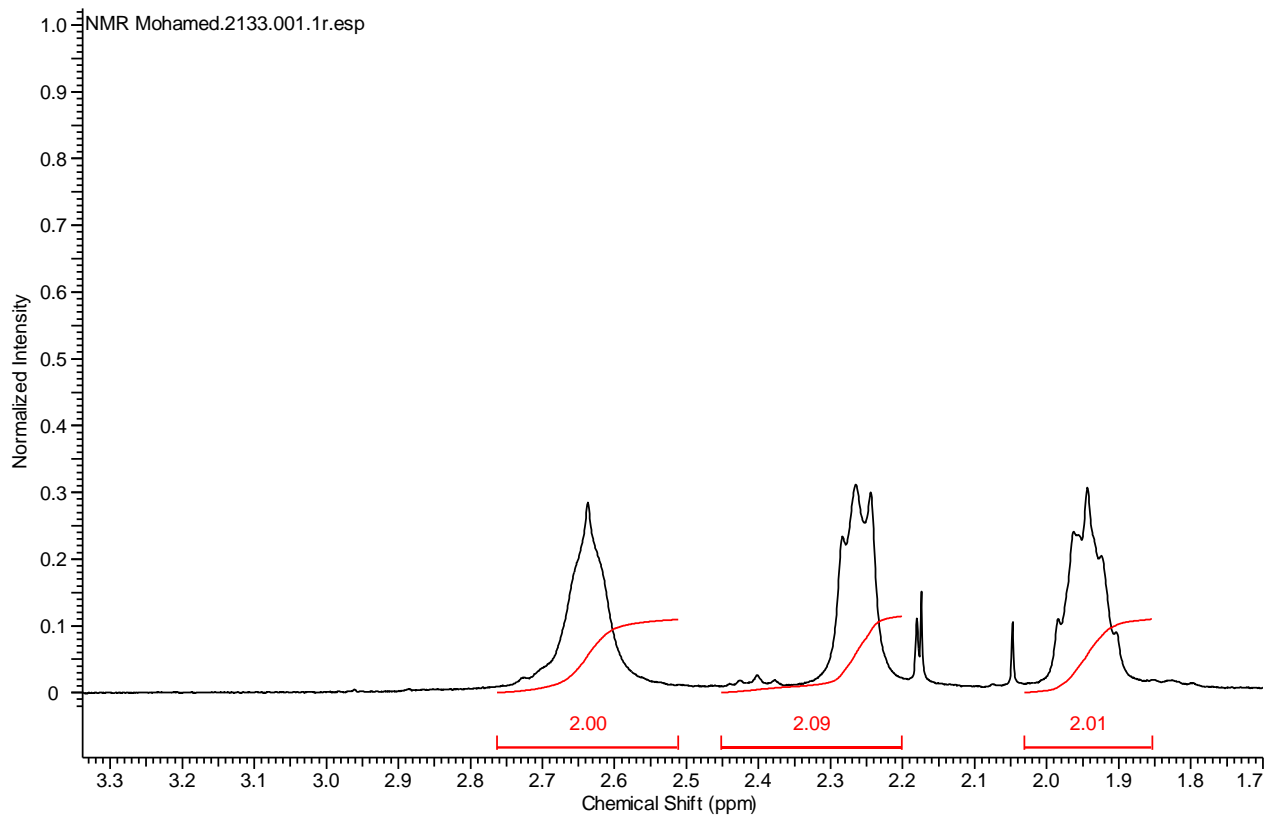


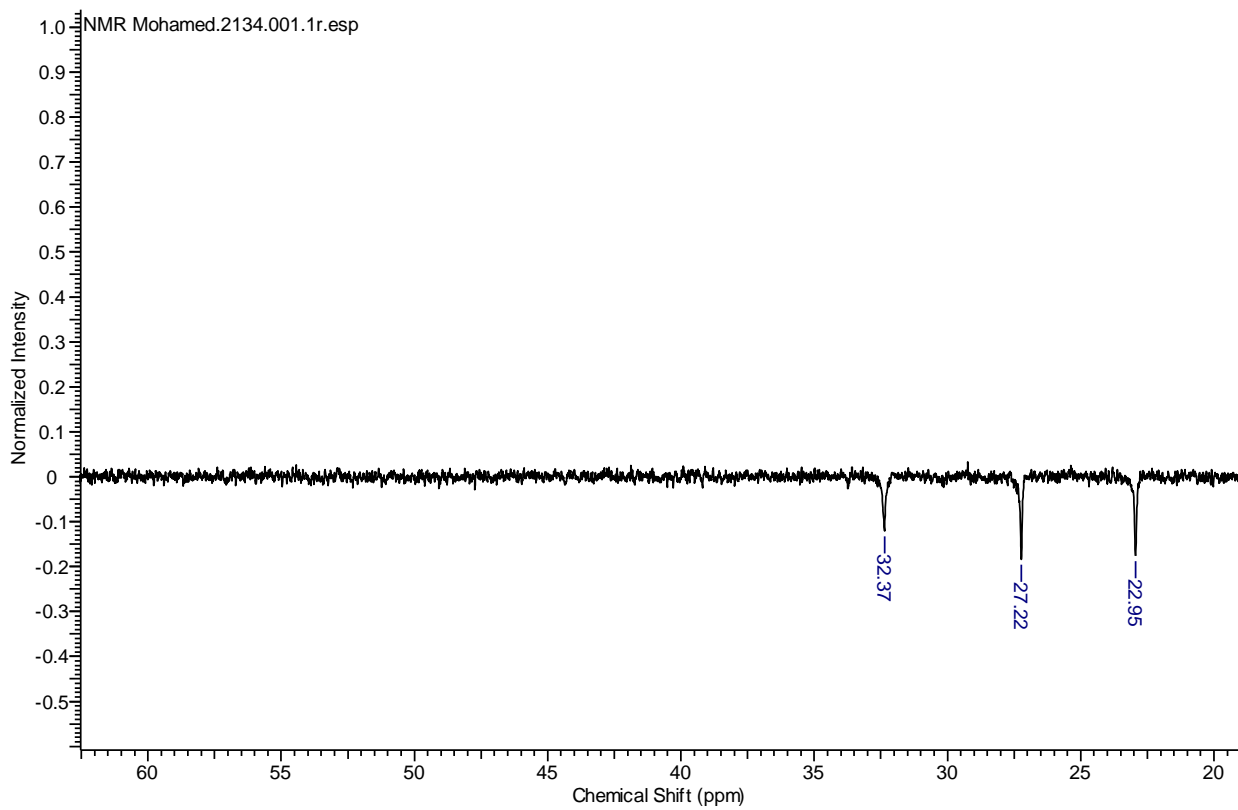
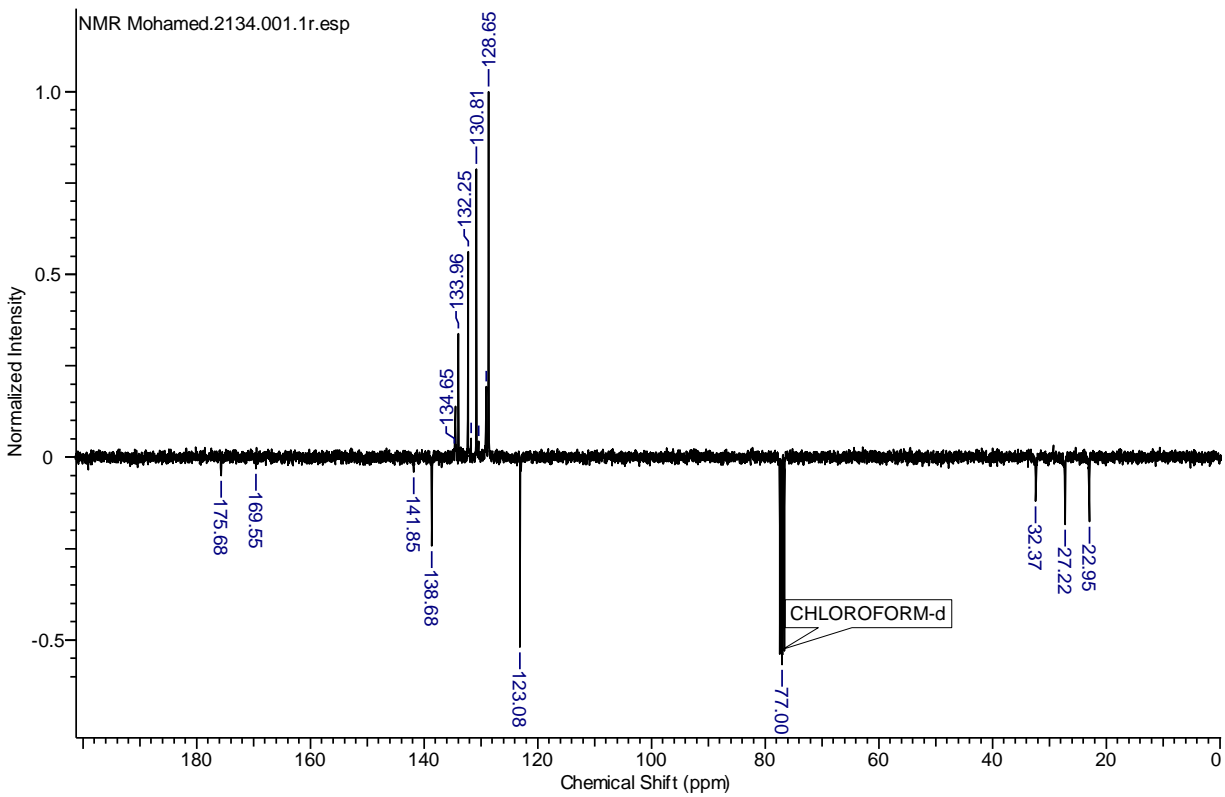


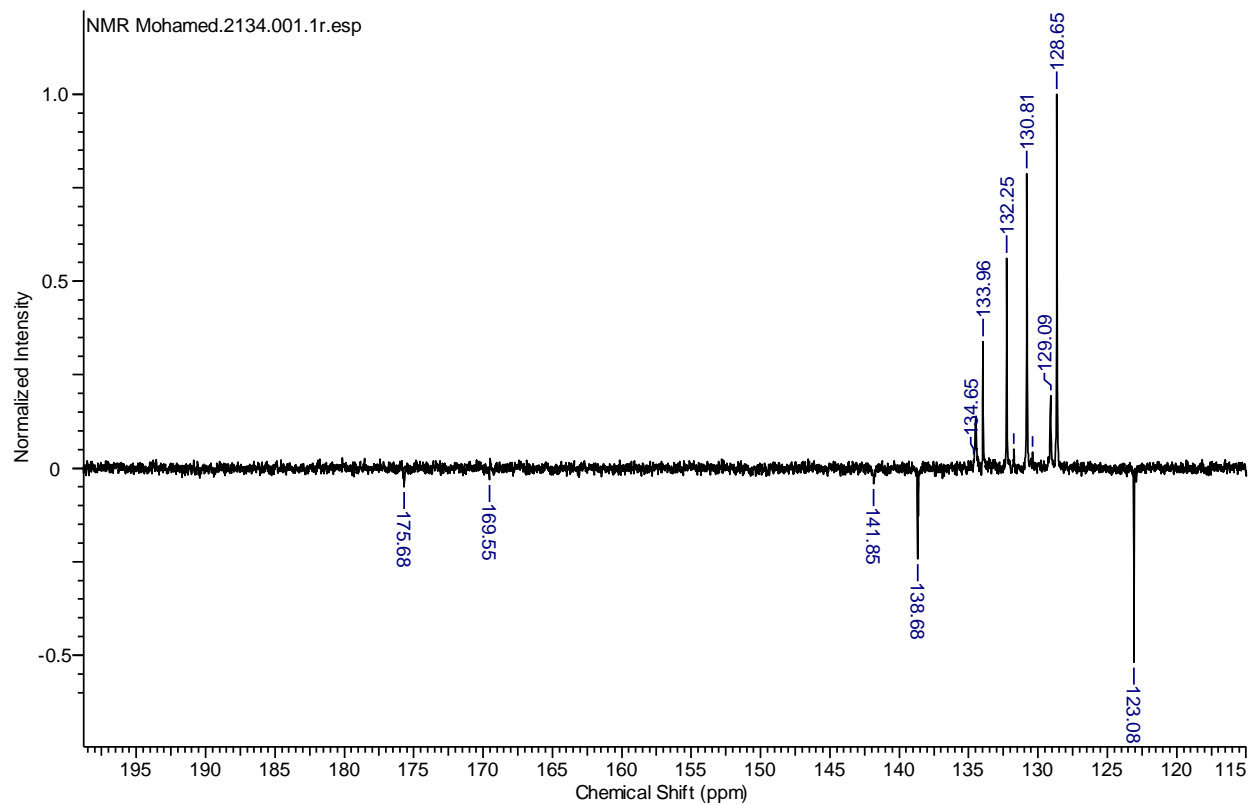


(E)-3-(((*Z*)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-9*H*-cyclopenta[*b*]quinolin-9-ylidene)hydrazono)indolin-2-one (6*f*).









(Z)-9-(2-(naphthalen-1-yl)hydrazono)-2,3,4,9-tetrahydro-1H-cyclopenta[b]quinoline (6g).

