

Supporting information

Direct Sialic Acid 4-OAc substitution by nitrogen, sulfur and carbon nucleophiles with retention of stereochemistry.

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General Information

All moisture- and air-sensitive reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of dry nitrogen using oven-dried glassware. All solvents were dried using an MBRAUN SPS-800 Solvent purification system before use unless otherwise stated. Purchased reagents were used without further purification. Thin-layer chromatography was performed on precoated TLC glass plates with silica gel 60 F254 0.25 mm (Merck). Spots were visualized with UV light or by charring with 10% H₂SO₄ in ethanol. Biotage Isolute phase separators were used for drying of combined organic layers. Preparative chromatography was performed on a Biotage Isolera One flash purification system using Biotage SNAP Sfar HD silica cartridges. Optical rotations were measured on a Bellingham and Stanley model ADP450 polarimeter and are reported as $[\alpha]_D^T$ (c = g/100 mL), where D indicates the sodium D line (589 nm) and T indicates the temperature. NMR spectra were recorded at ambient temperatures on a Bruker Avance II at 400 MHz (¹H) and 100 MHz (¹³C) or a Bruker Ascend at 500 MHz (¹H) and 125 MHz (¹³C) and assigned using 2D methods (COSY, HMQC). Chemical shifts are reported in ppm, with reference to residual solvent peaks (δ H CHCl₃ = 7.26 ppm, CD₃OH = 3.31 ppm) and solvent signals (δ C CDCl₃ = 77.0 ppm, CD₃OD = 49.0 ppm). Coupling constant values are given in Hz. Mass spectra were recorded on Waters XEVO G2 (positive ESI). Infrared spectroscopy was recorded on a Bruker α II FT-IR spectrometer. IR was only used to confirm structural features, and only the peak of interest was reported.

General procedure for 4-substitution.

Starting material **2** or **3** was dissolved in dry pyridine, the mixture was allowed to attain the correct temperature, and the desired amine (3-10 eq) was added. The reaction was monitored via TLC and LCMS until either full conversion, or appearance of side products. The reaction mixture was then evaporated, and the residues dissolved in EtOAc, washed with distilled water and brine, dried and purified by flash chromatography.

Reactions starting from compound 2

Methyl 5-acetamido-4-benzylamino-7,8,9-tri-O-acetyl-3,4,5-trideoxy-D-glycero- β -D-galactonon-2-ulopyranosidonate (4a) Reaction according to general procedure: **2** (100 mg, 0.187 mmol), pyridine (2 mL), benzylamine (0.102 mL, 0.937 mmol), -5 °C, 3 days. Flash chromatography (DCM:MeOH 100:0% \rightarrow 96:4 over 4 CV, then 96:4 \rightarrow 95:5 for 6 CV, then isocratic) yielded compound **4a** as an amorphous white solid (25 mg, 25%). $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -34 (c 1, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 – 7.24 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 6.06 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H, NH), 5.26 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 2.1 Hz, 1H, H-7), 5.21 (ddd, *J* = 7.3, 5.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H, H-8), 4.50 (dd, *J* = 12.3, 2.3 Hz, 1H, H-9), 4.15 (dd, *J* = 10.8, 2.1 Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.13 – 3.93 (m, 3H, H-5, H-9, Ar-CH₂), 3.83 (s, 3H, COOCH₃), 3.57 (d, *J* = 12.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-CH₂), 3.00 (q, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H, H-4), 2.23 – 1.96 (m, 14H, H-3eq, H-3ax, OCOCH₃ x3), 1.79 (s, 3H, NHCOCH₃). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 170.7, 170.5, 170.1, 169.5, 139.8, 128.8, 128.8, 128.6, 127.6, 95.7, 71.4, 68.5, 67.7, 63.1, 53.7, 53.4, 52.5, 46.3, 31.9, 23.4, 21.2, 21.0, 20.9. HRMS (m/z): Calcd. for C₂₅H₃₄N₂O₁₁+ [M+H]⁺, 539.2241; found, 539.2238.

Methyl 5-acetamido-4-(N-benzyl-N-methyl)amino-7,8,9-tri-O-acetyl-3,4,5-trideoxy-D-glycero- β -D-galactonon-2-ulopyranosidonate (4b) Reaction according to general procedure: **2** (100 mg, 0.187 mmol), pyridine (2 mL), with *N*-methylbenzylamine (0.241 mL, 1.870 mmol), 7 days. Flash chromatography (DCM:MeOH 100:0% \rightarrow 96:4 over 4 CV, then 96:4 \rightarrow 95:5 for 6 CV, then isocratic) yielded compound **4b** as an amorphous white solid (40 mg, 39%). $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +4 (c 1, CH₂Cl₂).

^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.34 – 7.19 (m, 6H, Ar-H), 5.30 (dd, $J = 6.2, 2.2$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 5.20 (ddd, $J = 7.3, 6.2, 2.4$ Hz, 1H, H-8), 4.96 (d, $J = 9.9$ Hz, 1H, NH), 4.44 (dd, $J = 12.3, 2.4$ Hz, 1H, H-8), 4.17 (q, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H, H-5), 4.04 – 3.95 (m, 2H, H-6, H-9), 3.88 (s, 3H, COOCH_3), 3.69 (d, $J = 13.3$ Hz, 1H, Ar- CH_2), 3.44 (d, $J = 13.3$ Hz, 1H, Ar- CH_2), 3.03 (td, $J = 11.6, 4.0$ Hz, 1H, H-4), 2.22 (s, 3H), 2.14 (s, 4H), 2.10 – 1.90 (m, 11H, H-3_{eq}, H-3_{ax}, CH_3N , HNCOCH_3 , $\text{OCOCH}_3 \times 3$). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.9, 170.6, 170.5, 170.4, 170.1, 139.8, 128.6, 128.4, 127.2, 95.4, 72.4, 71.1, 68.6, 63.0, 59.4, 57.9, 53.6, 47.1, 36.9, 29.0, 23.6, 21.2, 21.1, 20.9. HRMS (m/z): Calcd. for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{36}\text{N}_2\text{O}_{11}+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$, 553.2397; found, 553.2403.

Methyl 5-acetamido-4-phenylamino-7,8,9-tri-O-acetyl-3,4,5-trideoxy-D-glycero- β -D-galactonon-2-ulopyranosidonate (4c) Reaction according to general procedure: **2** (100 mg, 0.187 mmol), pyridine (2 mL), aniline (0.170 mL, 1.870 mmol), 30 days. Flash chromatography (DCM:MeOH 100:0% \rightarrow 96:4 over 4 CV, then 96:4 \rightarrow 95:5 for 6 CV, then isocratic) yielded compound **4c** as an amorphous white solid (33 mg, 34%). $[\alpha]^{20}_{\text{D}} +14$ (c 1, CH_2Cl_2). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.20 – 7.07 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 6.72 – 6.52 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 5.63 (d, $J = 10.1$ Hz, 1H, AcNH), 5.41 (dd, $J = 5.2, 2.4$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 5.28 (ddd, $J = 7.4, 5.1, 2.3$ Hz, 1H, H-8), 4.54 (dd, $J = 12.4, 2.3$ Hz, 1H, H-9), 4.28 (dd, $J = 10.4, 2.4$ Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.12 – 3.96 (m, 2H, H-5, H-9), 3.87 (d, $J = 9.7$ Hz, 1H, Ar-NH), 3.85 (s, 3H, COOCH_3), 3.80 (td, $J = 11.2, 4.3$ Hz, 1H, H-4), 2.39 (dd, $J = 13.5, 4.2$ Hz, 1H, H-3_{eq}), 2.20 – 2.01 (m, 9H, $\text{OCOCH}_3 \times 3$), 1.96 (dd, $J = 13.4, 11.6$ Hz, 1H, H-3_{ax}), 1.74 (s, 3H, HNCOCH_3). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 171.8, 171.1, 171.0, 170.3, 169.8, 147.4, 129.5, 117.8, 113.2, 95.1, 71.8, 71.7, 68.6, 62.8, 53.6, 52.4, 50.3, 37.9, 23.2, 21.2, 20.9, 20.8. HRMS (m/z): Calcd. for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{32}\text{N}_2\text{O}_{11}+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$, 525.2084; found, 525.2081.

Methyl 5-acetamido-4-indolin-1-yl-7,8,9-tri-O-acetyl-3,4,5-trideoxy-D-glycero- β -D-galactonon-2-ulopyranosidonate (4d) Reaction according to general procedure: **2** (100 mg, 0.187 mmol), pyridine (2 mL), indoline (0.133 mL, 1.870 mmol), 30 days. Flash chromatography (Hep:EtOAc 90:10 \rightarrow 40:60 over 5 CV, then 40:60 \rightarrow 20:80 for 10 CV then isocratic) yielded compound **4d** as an amorphous white solid (68 mg, 66%). $[\alpha]^{20}_{\text{D}} -3$ (c 1, CH_2Cl_2). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.06 – 6.92 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 6.58 (td, $J = 7.4, 1.0$ Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.41 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 5.37 (dd, $J = 5.7, 2.3$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 5.28 (ddd, $J = 7.4, 5.7, 2.4$ Hz, 1H, H-8), 5.22 (d, $J = 10.0$ Hz, 1H, NH), 4.51 (dd, $J = 12.3, 2.4$ Hz, 1H, H-9), 4.38 – 4.29 (m, 1H, H-5), 4.25 (dd, $J = 10.3, 2.3$ Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.08 – 3.95 (m, 2H, H-4, H-9), 3.86 (s, 3H, COOCH_3), 3.56 (td, $J = 8.9, 5.9$ Hz, 1H, indoline), 3.29 (q, $J = 9.0$ Hz, 1H, indoline), 3.02 – 2.83 (m, 2H, indoline), 2.30 – 2.21 (m, 1H, H-3_{eq}), 2.15 (s, 3H, OCOCH_3), 2.11 (s, 3H, OCOCH_3), 2.03 (s, 3H, OCOCH_3), 1.97 (dd, $J = 13.1, 4.1$ Hz, 1H, H-3_{ax}), 1.66 (s, 3H, HNCOCH_3). ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.96, 170.86, 170.51, 170.47, 169.79, 151.18, 130.04, 127.29, 125.06, 117.59, 106.15, 95.18, 72.37, 71.42, 68.44, 62.97, 53.63, 52.58, 47.28, 46.12, 32.30, 28.25, 23.21, 21.24, 21.05, 20.99. HRMS (m/z): Calcd. for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{34}\text{N}_2\text{O}_{11}+$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$, 551.2241; found, 551.2241.

Methyl 5-acetamido-4-tosylamino-7,8,9-tri-O-acetyl-3,4,5-trideoxy-D-glycero- β -D-galactonon-2-ulopyranosidonate (4e) p-toluenesulfonamide (320 mg, 1.870 mmol) was dissolved in dry pyridine and potassium tert-butoxide (68 mg, 0.561 mmol) then added. After 10 minutes, starting material **2** (100 mg, 0.187) was subsequently added. The reaction was stopped after 3 days, concentrated, washed with water and brine, dried and flash chromatography performed (Hep:EtOAc 75:25 \rightarrow 10:90 over 4 CV, then isocratic). The reaction yielded compound **4e** as an amorphous white solid (23 mg, 20%). $[\alpha]^{20}_{\text{D}} +18$ (c 1, CH_2Cl_2). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.71 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.29 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 5.41 (d, $J = 9.9$ Hz, 1H, AcNH), 5.31 (dd, $J = 6.2,$

2.2 Hz, 1H, H-7), 5.19 (td, $J = 6.8, 2.5$ Hz, 2H, H-8, S-NH), 4.40 (dd, $J = 12.4, 2.3$ Hz, 1H, H-8), 4.19 – 4.09 (m, 1H, H-6), 4.00 (dd, $J = 12.4, 6.9$ Hz, 1H, H-9), 3.88 (q, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H, H-5), 3.83 (s, 3H, COOCH₃), 3.69 – 3.55 (m, 1H, H-4), 2.42 (s, 3H, Ar-CH₃), 2.19 – 1.97 (m, 11H, H-3_{eq}, H-3_{ax}, OCOCH₃ x 3), 1.81 (s, 3H, HNCOCH₃). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.6, 172.2, 170.8, 170.5, 170.1, 143.6, 138.3, 129.9, 126.9, 94.5, 71.1, 70.7, 68.1, 62.7, 60.5, 53.7, 49.2, 38.6, 23.3, 21.7, 21.1, 20.9, 20.8. ESI-MS (m/z): Calcd. for C₂₅H₃₄N₂O₁₃S⁺ [M+H]⁺, 603.1860; found, 603.1854.

Reactions starting from compound 3

Methyl 5-acetamido-4-benzylamino-7,8,9-tri-O-acetyl-3,4,5-trideoxy-D-glycero- β -D-galactonon-2-ulopyranosidonate (4a) Reaction according to general procedure: **3** (100 mg, 0.203 mmol), pyridine (2 mL), benzylamine (0.044 mL, 0.407 mmol), -10°C, 20 hours. Flash chromatography conditions (DCM:MeOH 100:0% \rightarrow 96:4 over 4 CV, then 96:4 \rightarrow 95:5 for 6 CV, then isocratic) yielded compound **4a** as an amorphous white solid (37 mg, 34%). Physical data as reported starting from compound **2**.

Methyl 5-acetamido-4-phenylamino-7,8,9-tri-O-acetyl-3,4,5-trideoxy-D-glycero- β -D-galactonon-2-ulopyranosidonate (4c) Reaction according to general procedure: **3** (100 mg, 0.203 mmol), pyridine (2 mL), aniline (0.185 mL, 2.304 mmol). 17 days. Flash chromatography conditions (DCM:MeOH 100:0% \rightarrow 96:4 over 4 CV, then 96:4 \rightarrow 95:5 for 6 CV, then isocratic) yielded compound **4c** as an amorphous white solid (42 mg, 39%). Physical data as reported starting from compound **2**.

Methyl 5-acetamido-4-tosylamino-7,8,9-tri-O-acetyl-3,4,5-trideoxy-D-glycero- β -D-galactonon-2-ulopyranosidonate (4e) p-toluenesulfonamide (174 mg, 1.017 mmol) was dissolved in dry pyridine and caesium carbonate (133 mg, 0.407 mmol) then added. After 10 minutes, starting material **3** (100 mg, 0.203) was subsequently added. The reaction was stopped after 2 hours, concentrated, washed with water and brine, dried and flash chromatography performed (Hep:EtOAc 75:25 \rightarrow 10:90 over 4 CV, then isocratic). The reaction yielded compound **4e** as an amorphous white solid (31 mg, 25%). Physical data as reported starting from compound **2**.

Methyl 5-acetamido-4-azido-7,8,9-tri-O-acetyl-3,4,5-trideoxy-D-glycero- β -D-galactonon-2-ulopyranosidonate (4f) Starting material **3** (1.0 g, 2.03 mmol) was reacted with sodium azide (0.396 g, 6.09 mmol). The reaction was completed after 6 days and the reaction mixture filtered, evaporated and flash chromatography performed directly (Hep:EtOAc 60:40 \rightarrow 20:80 over 6 CV, then isocratic). The purification afforded **4f** as an amorphous white solid (438 mg, 45%). $[\alpha]_D^{20} +18$ (c 0.5, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.52 (d, $J = 9.4$ Hz, 1H, AcN-H), 5.32 (dd, $J = 6.5, 2.0$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 5.24 (td, $J = 6.6, 2.4$ Hz, 1H, H-8), 4.41 (dd, $J = 12.4, 2.3$ Hz, 1H, H-9), 4.30 (dd, $J = 10.5, 2.0$ Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.05 (m, 2H, H-9, H-4), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.80 – 3.66 (m, 1H, H-5), 2.21 (dd, $J = 13.1, 4.9$ Hz, 1H, H-3_{eq}), 2.15 – 1.99 (m, 13H, H-3_{ax}, OCOCH₃ x 3, HNCOCH₃). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.3, 170.9, 170.6, 169.2, 94.5, 70.5, 70.0, 68.0, 62.7, 58.0, 53.8, 51.1, 36.2, 23.6, 21.2, 21.1, 21.0, 20.9. ESI-MS (m/z): Calcd. for C₁₈H₂₆N₄O₁₁ [M+Na]⁺, 497.1496; found, 497.1490. IR: 2106 cm⁻¹ (N₃).

Methyl 5-acetamido-4-(*N,N*-diethylamino) -7,8,9-tri-O-acetyl-3,4,5-trideoxy-D-glycero- β -D-galactonon-2-ulopyranosidonate (4g) Starting material **3** (100 mg, 0.203 mmol) was reacted with diethylamine (0.105 mL, 1.015 mmol). The reaction was completed after 4 hours and the reaction mixture evaporated and flash chromatography performed directly (DCM-MeOH 100:0 \rightarrow 20:80

over 10 CV, then isocratic). The purification afforded **4g** as an amorphous white solid (42 mg, 41%). $[\alpha]^{20}_{\text{D}} -12$ (c 1, CH_2Cl_2). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.45 (d, $J = 10.3$ Hz, 1H, AcN-H), 5.30 (m, 1H, H-8), 5.26 (dd, $J = 8.1, 1.7$ Hz, H-7), 4.44 (q, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H, H-5), 4.29 (dd, $J = 12.3, 2.5$ Hz, 1H, H-9), 4.14 (m, 2H, H-4, H-6), 4.01 (dd, $J = 12.4, 6.9$ Hz, 1H, H-9), 3.90 (s, 3H, COOCH_3), 3.61 – 3.51 (m, 1H, N- CH_2 -), 3.50 – 3.41 (m, 1H, N- CH_2 -), 2.89 – 2.79 (m, 1H, N- CH_2 -), 2.75 – 2.64 (m, 1H, N- CH_2 -), 2.24 (t, $J = 12.5$ Hz, 1H, H-3_{eq}), 2.20 – 2.00 (m, 13H, , H-3_{ax}, $\text{OCOCH}_3 \times 3$, HNCOCH_3), 1.58 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 3H, NCH_2CH_3), 1.40 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H NCH_2CH_3). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 172.45, 170.84, 170.18, 168.34, 94.46, 72.11, 69.72, 67.24, 62.69, 57.70, 53.84, 47.57, 46.53, 44.89, 30.11, 23.74, 21.30, 21.09, 20.93, 10.72, 9.84. ESI-MS (m/z): Calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{36}\text{N}_2\text{O}_{11} + [\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$, 505.2397; found, 505.2404.

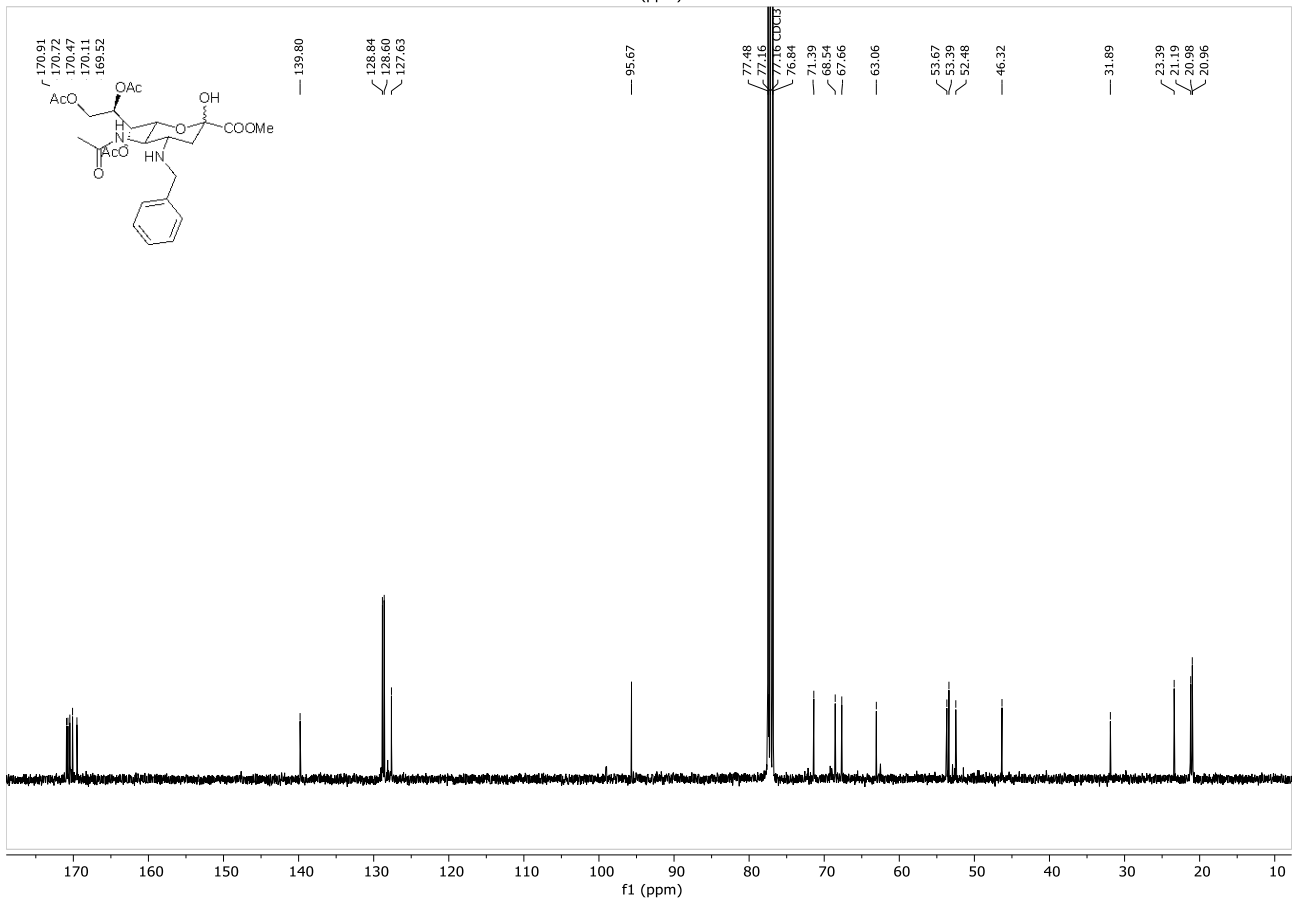
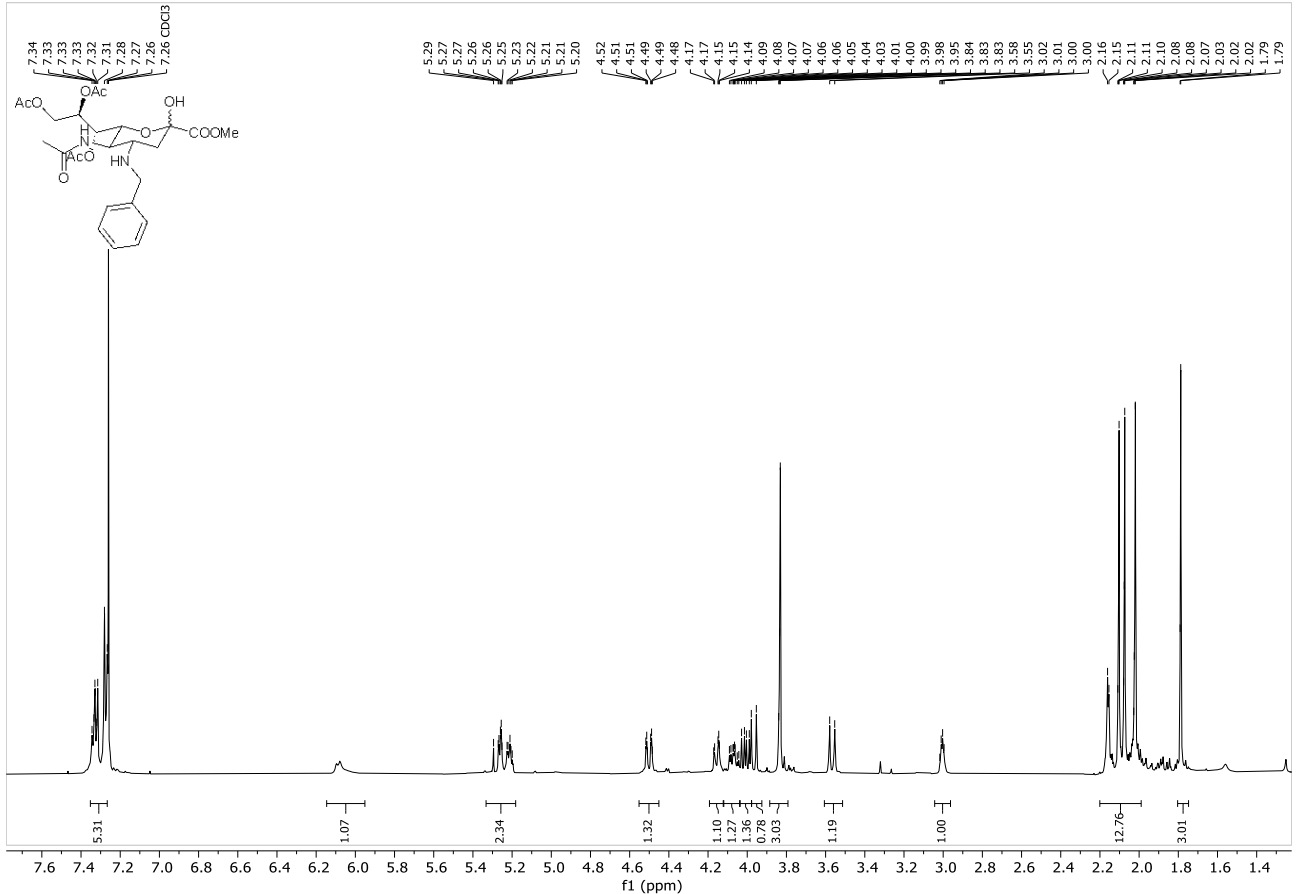
Methyl 5-acetamido-4-cyano-7,8,9-tri-O-acetyl-3,4,5-trideoxy-D-glycero- β -D-galacto-non-2-ulopyranosidonate (4h) Starting material **3** (100 mg, 0.203 mmol) was reacted with potassium cyanide (66 mg, 1.015 mmol). The reaction was completed after 2 days and the reaction mixture evaporated and flash chromatography performed directly (Hep:EtOAc 60:40 \rightarrow 20:80 over 6 CV, then isocratic). The purification afforded **4h** as an amorphous white solid (35 mg, 38%). $[\alpha]^{20}_{\text{D}} +7$ (c 1, CH_2Cl_2). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.79 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H, AcN-H), 5.35 – 5.19 (m, 2H, H-7, H-8), 4.43 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.38 (dd, $J = 11.6, 1.8$ Hz, 1H, H-9), 4.08 (dd, $J = 11.6, 4.5$ Hz, 1H, H-9), 3.88 (s, 3H, COOCH_3), 3.74 – 3.66 (m, 2H, H-4, H-5), 2.42 (t, $J = 13.0$ Hz, 1H, H-3_{eq}), 2.25 (dd, $J = 13.0, 3.4$ Hz, 1H, H-3_{ax}), 2.20 – 1.98 (m, 14H, $\text{OCOCH}_3 \times 3$, HNCOCH_3). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.8, 170.8, 170.6, 170.6, 168.8, 119.1, 93.1, 70.0, 69.2, 68.1, 62.6, 53.8, 48.6, 34.1, 28.4, 23.6, 21.2, 21.1, 21.0, 20.9, 14.3. ESI-MS (m/z): Calcd. for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{O}_{11} + [\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$, 481.1434; found, 481.1433.

Methyl 5-acetamido-4-(p-tolylthio)-7,8,9-tri-O-acetyl-3,4,5-trideoxy-D-glycero- β -D-galacto-non-2-ulopyranosidonate (4i) Reaction according to general procedure: **3** (50 mg, 0.102 mmol), pyridine (2 mL), thiocresol (63 mg, 0.509 mmol), Cs_2CO_3 (66 mg, 0.203 mmol). 4 hours. Flash chromatography conditions (DCM:MeOH 100:0% \rightarrow 96:4 over 4 CV, then 96:4 \rightarrow 95:5 for 6 CV, then isocratic) yielded compound **4i** as an amorphous white solid (51 mg, 89%). $[\alpha]^{20}_{\text{D}} +20$ (c 1, CH_2Cl_2). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.33 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.10 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 5.64 (m, 1H, AcN-H), 5.29 (dd, $J = 6.2, 2.0$ Hz, 1H, H-7), 5.21 (td, $J = 6.5, 2.3$ Hz, 1H, H-8), 4.42 (dd, $J = 12.4, 2.4$ Hz, 1H, H-9), 4.24 (dd, $J = 10.3, 2.0$ Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.01 (dd, $J = 12.3, 7.2$ Hz, 1H, H-9), 3.91 – 3.74 (m, 5H, H-5, COOCH_3 , 2-OH), 3.59 (td, $J = 11.7, 4.5$ Hz, 1H, H-4), 2.32 (s, 3H, CH_3 -Ar), 2.23 – 2.00 (m, 8H, H-3_{eq}, H-3_{ax}, $\text{OCOCH}_3 \times 3$), 1.87 (s, 3H, HNCOCH_3). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.9, 170.7, 170.6, 169.7, 138.1, 133.7, 130.0, 129.2, 94.5, 71.4, 70.9, 68.5, 62.9, 53.6, 50.7, 45.8, 37.8, 23.2, 21.2, 21.2, 21.1, 21.0, 20.9. ESI-MS (m/z): Calcd. for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{33}\text{NO}_{11}\text{S} + [\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$, 556.1853; found, 556.1858.

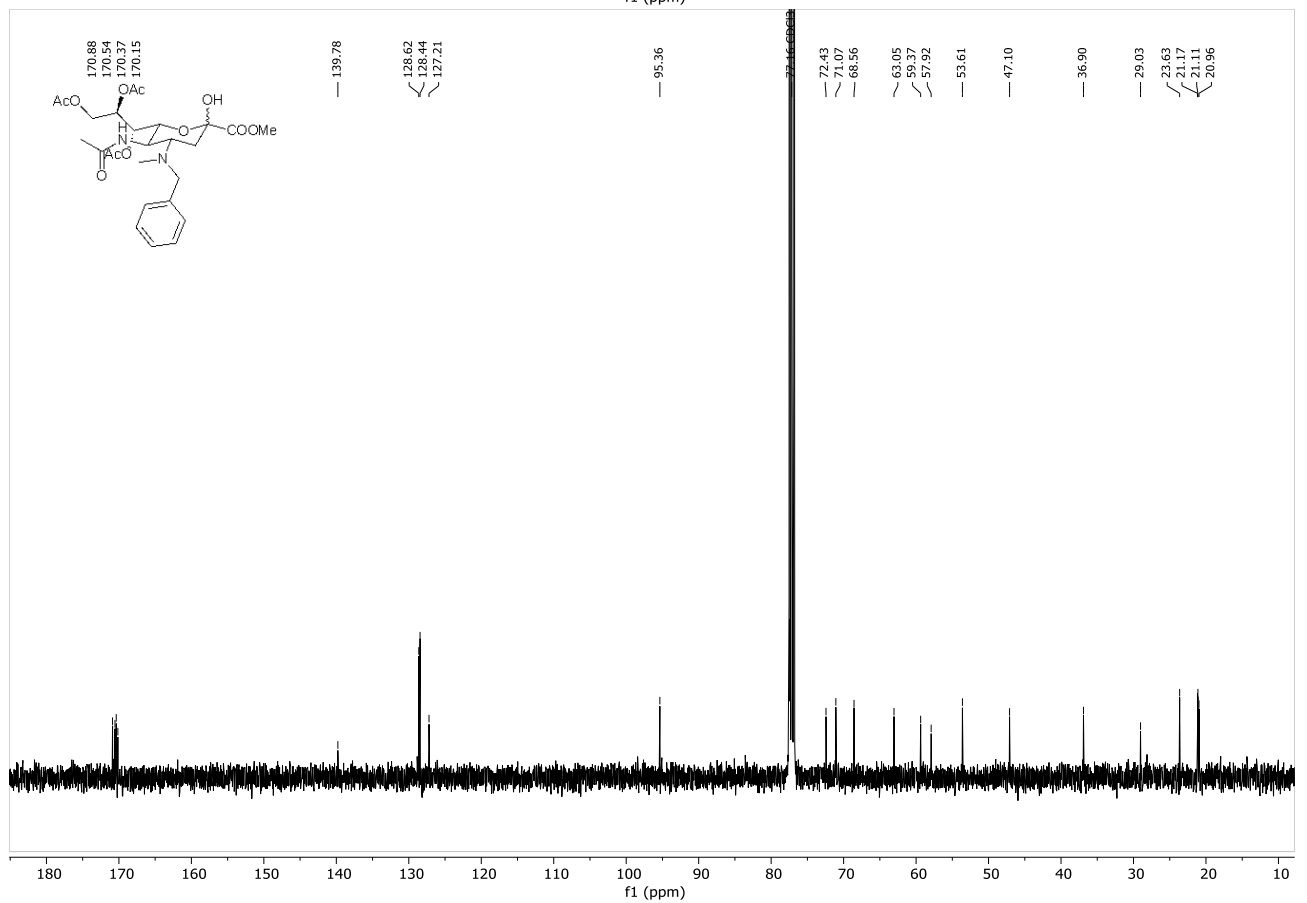
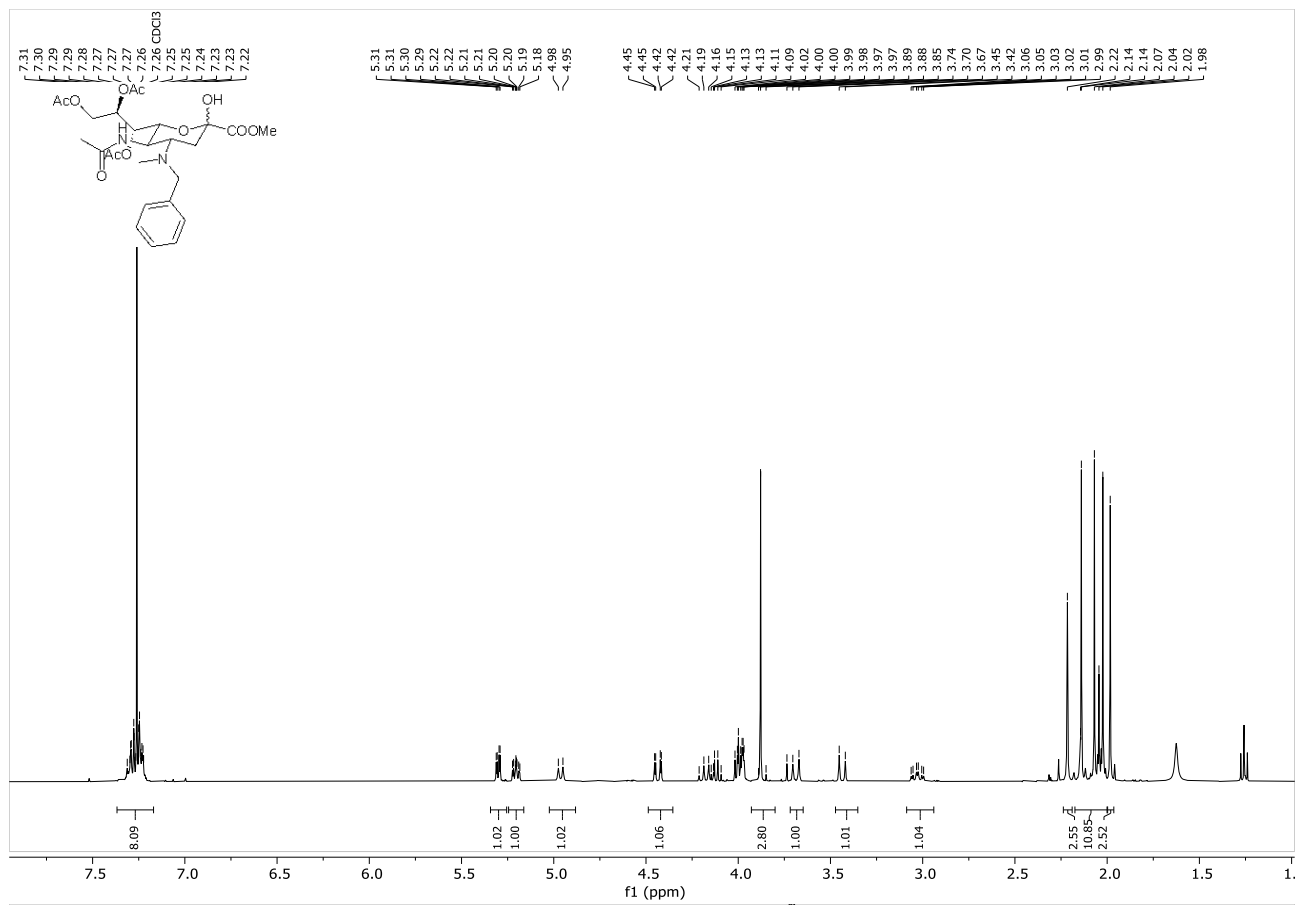
Methyl 5-acetamido-4-(benzylthio)-7,8,9-tri-O-acetyl-3,4,5-trideoxy-D-glycero- β -D-galacto-non-2-ulopyranosidonate (4l) Reaction according to general procedure: **3** (35 mg, 0.0712 mmol), pyridine (2 mL), benzyl mercaptan (0.040 mL, 0.356 mmol), Cs_2CO_3 (46 mg, 0.142 mmol). 4 hours. Flash chromatography conditions (DCM:MeOH 100:0% \rightarrow 96:4 over 4 CV, then 96:4 \rightarrow 95:5 for 6 CV, then isocratic) yielded compound **4l** as an amorphous white solid (25 mg, 63%). $[\alpha]^{20}_{\text{D}} +33$ (c 1, CH_2Cl_2). $^1\text{H NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.40 – 7.25 (m, 5H), 5.30 (dd, $J = 6.3, 2.0$ Hz, 2H, H, 7AcN-H), 5.20 (td, $J = 6.7, 2.3$ Hz, 1H, H-8,), 4.42 (dd, $J = 12.4, 2.4$ Hz, 1H, H-9), 4.15 (d, $J = 9.9$ Hz, 1H, H-6), 4.01 (dd, $J = 12.3, 7.0$ Hz, 1H, H-9), 3.94 – 3.83 (m, 4H, H-5, COOCH_3),

3.78 (d, $J = 12.6$ Hz, 1H, Ar-CH₂-S), 3.70 (d, $J = 12.6$ Hz, 1H, Ar-CH₂-S), 3.06 (td, $J = 10.9, 3.0$ Hz, 1H, H-4) 2.33 (t, $J = 13.0$ Hz, 1H, H-3_{eq}), 2.23 (dd, $J = 13.4, 4.3$ Hz, 1H, H-3_{ax}), 2.17 – 1.91 (m, 12H, OCOCH₃ x 3, HNCOCH₃). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 170.6, 170.5, 169.7, 138.1, 129.2, 128.8, 127.4, 94.4, 71.7, 70.8, 68.5, 62.9, 53.6, 48.9, 42.8, 38.4, 34.3, 23.3, 21.2, 21.0, 20.9. ESI-MS (m/z): Calcd. for C₂₅H₃₃NO₁₁S⁺ [M+Na]⁺, 556.1853; found, 556.1859.

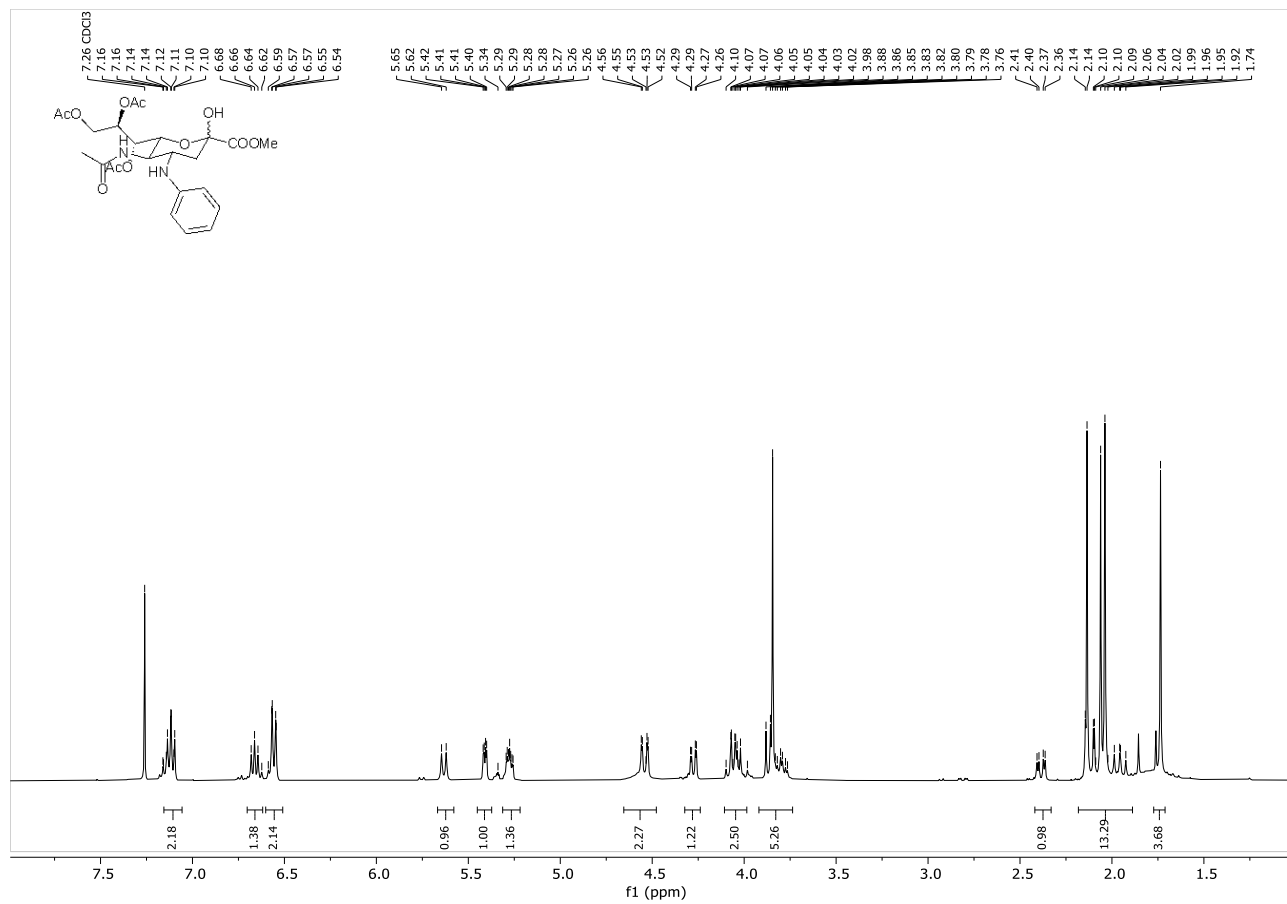
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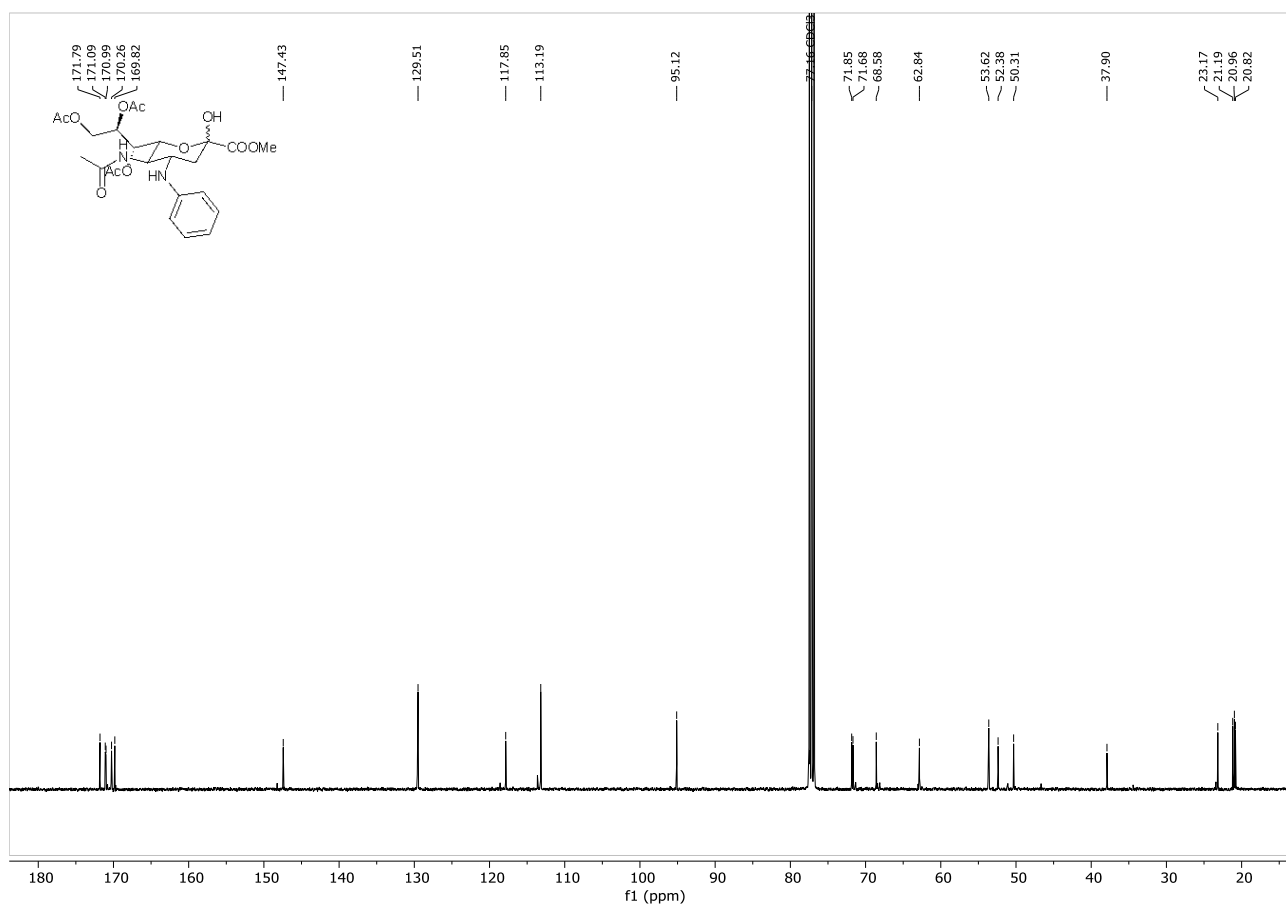


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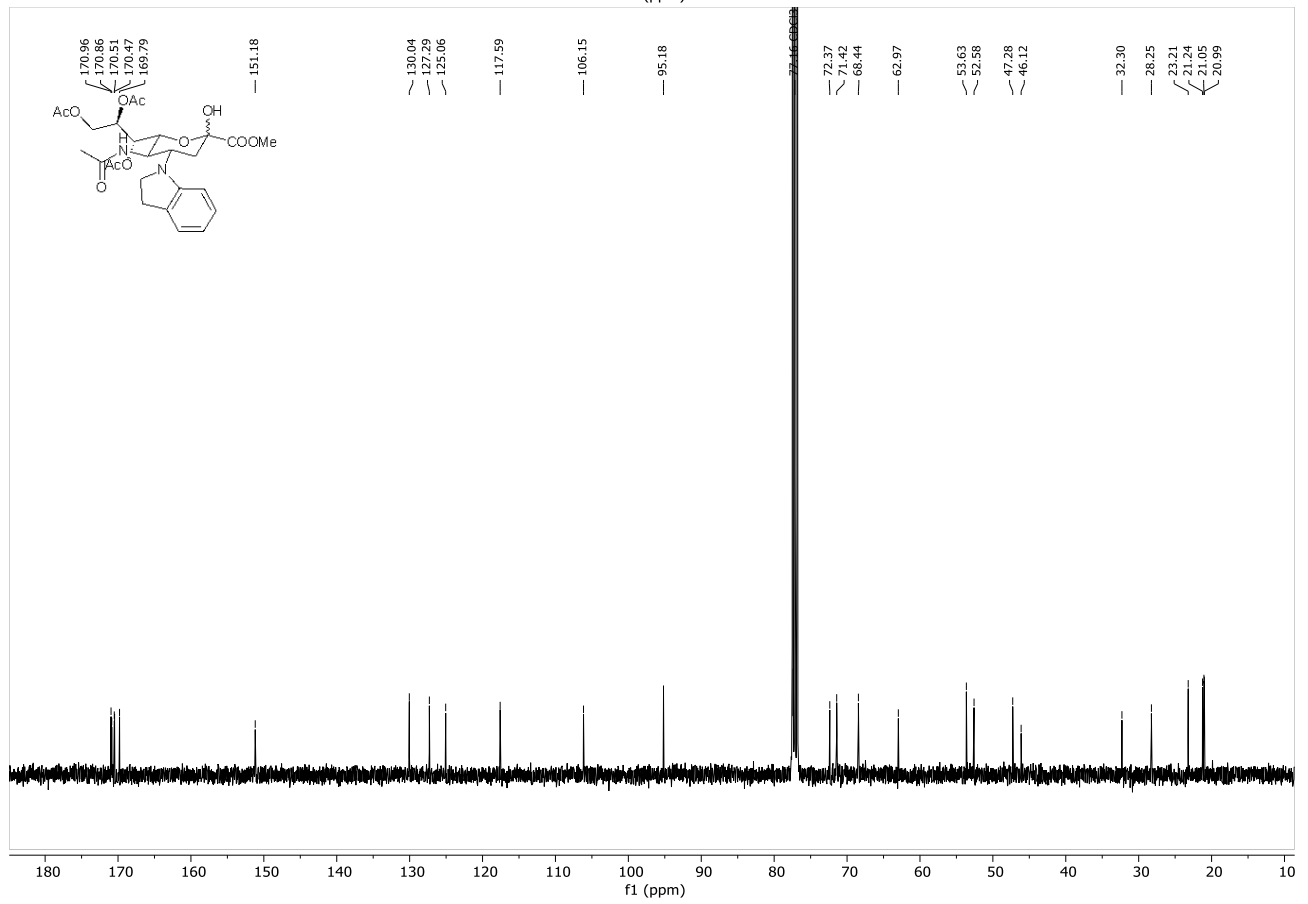
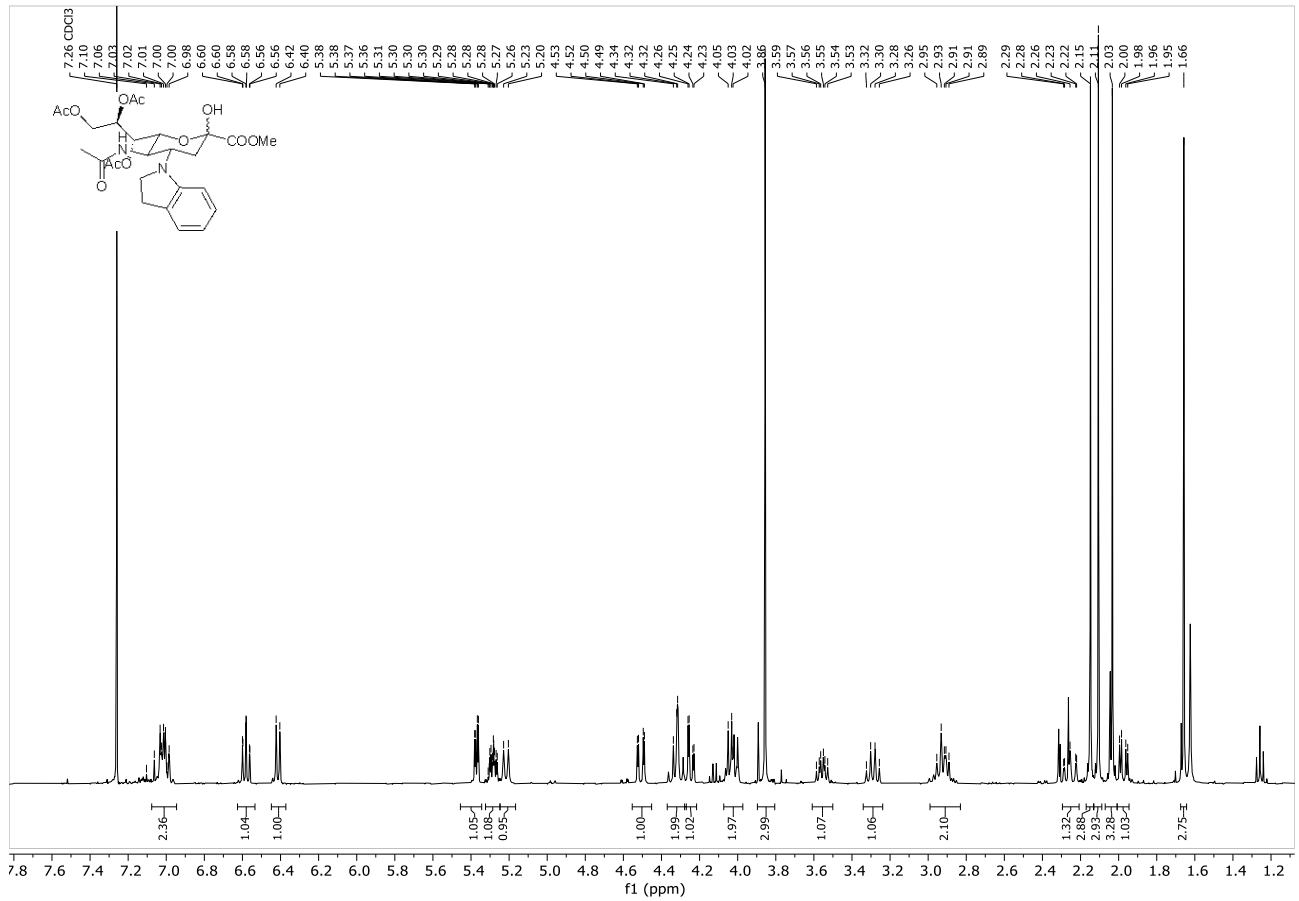


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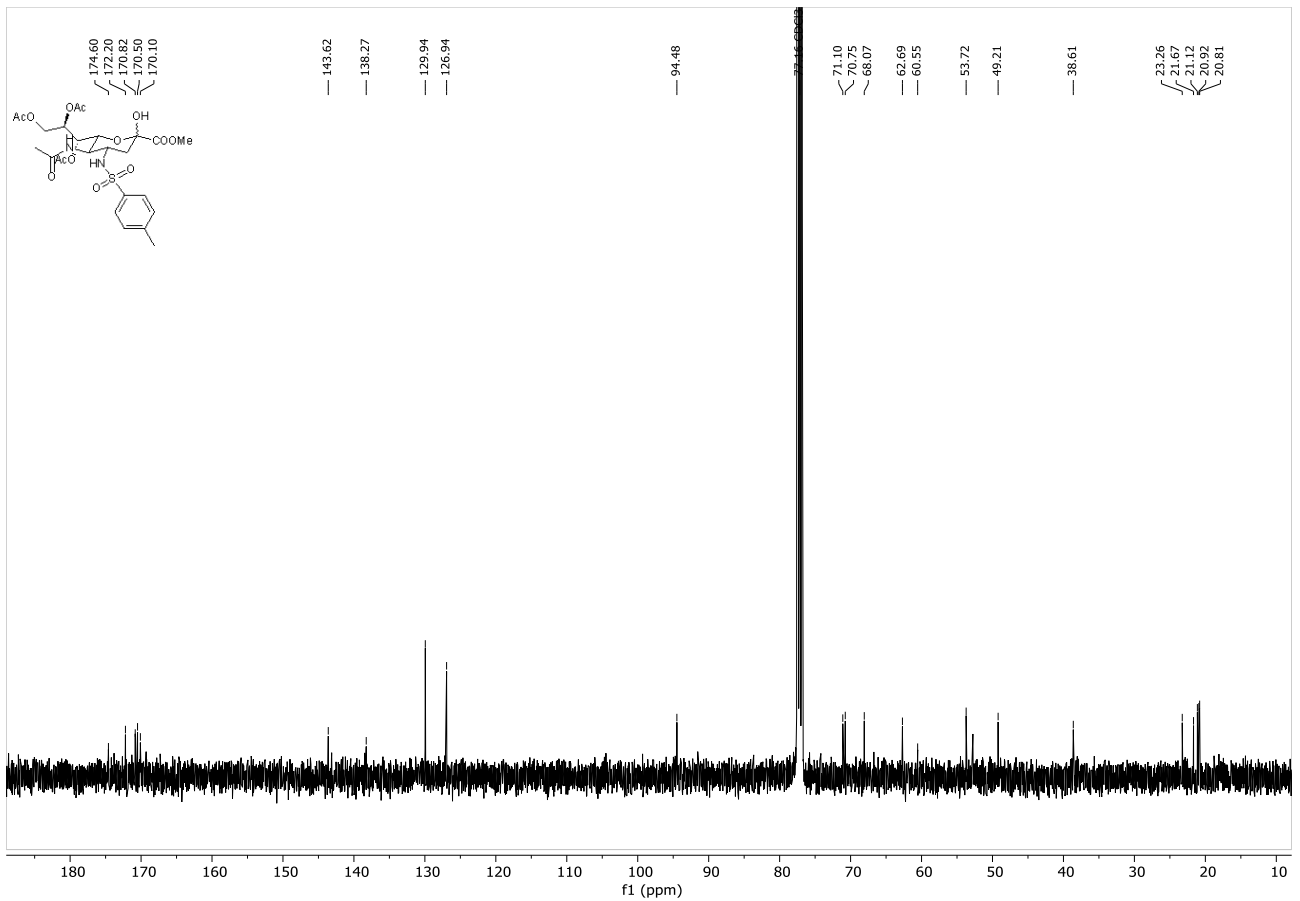
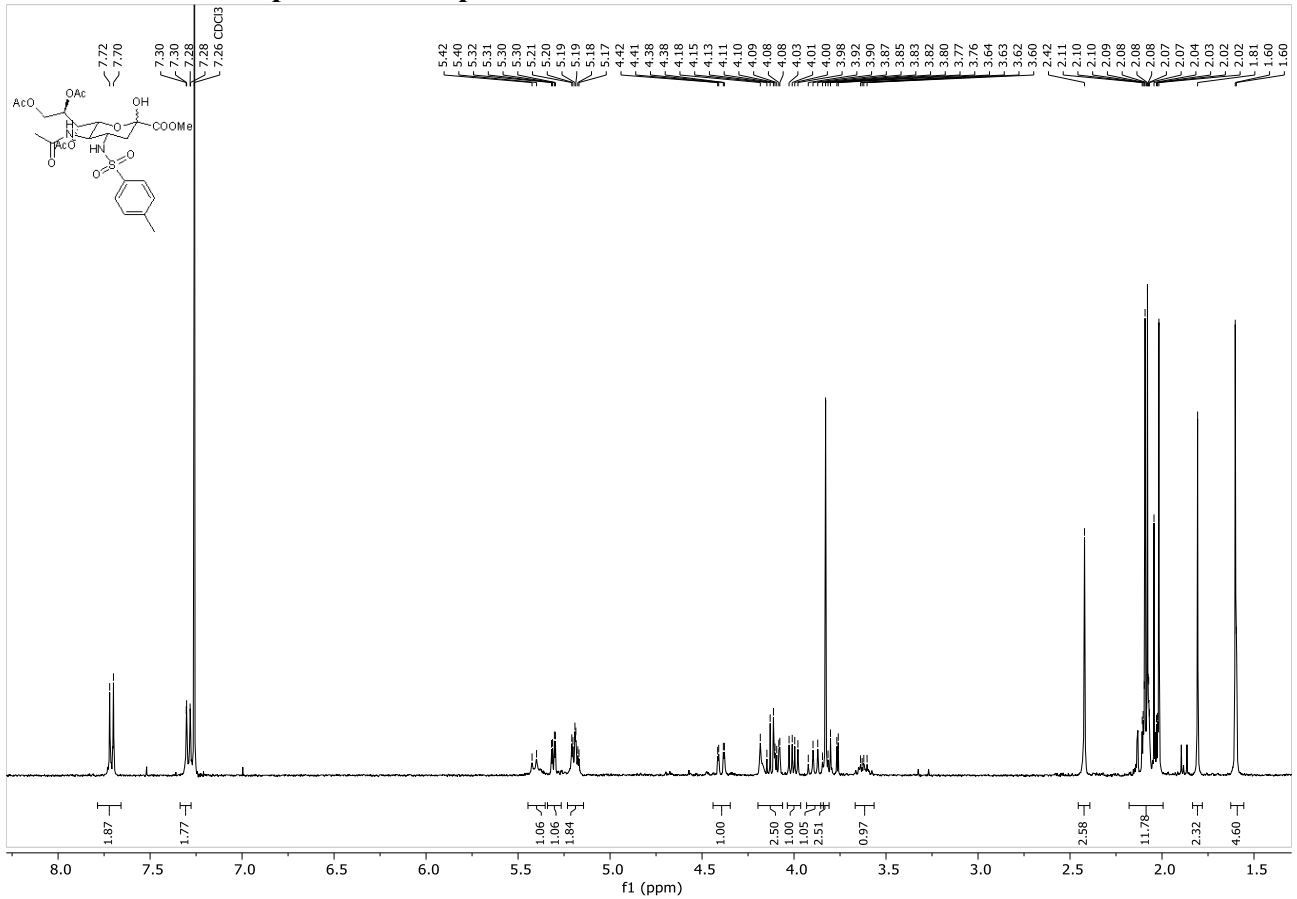




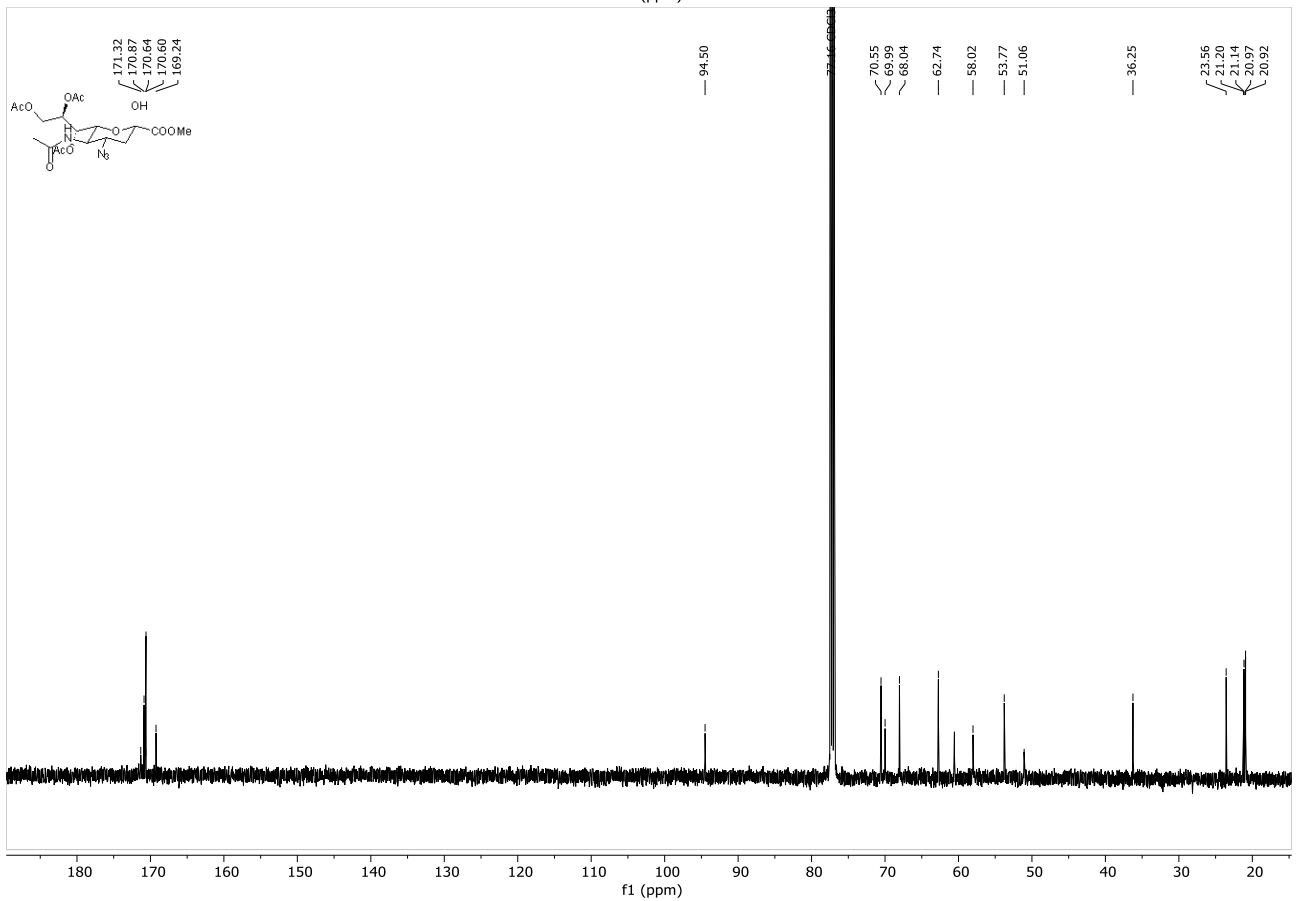
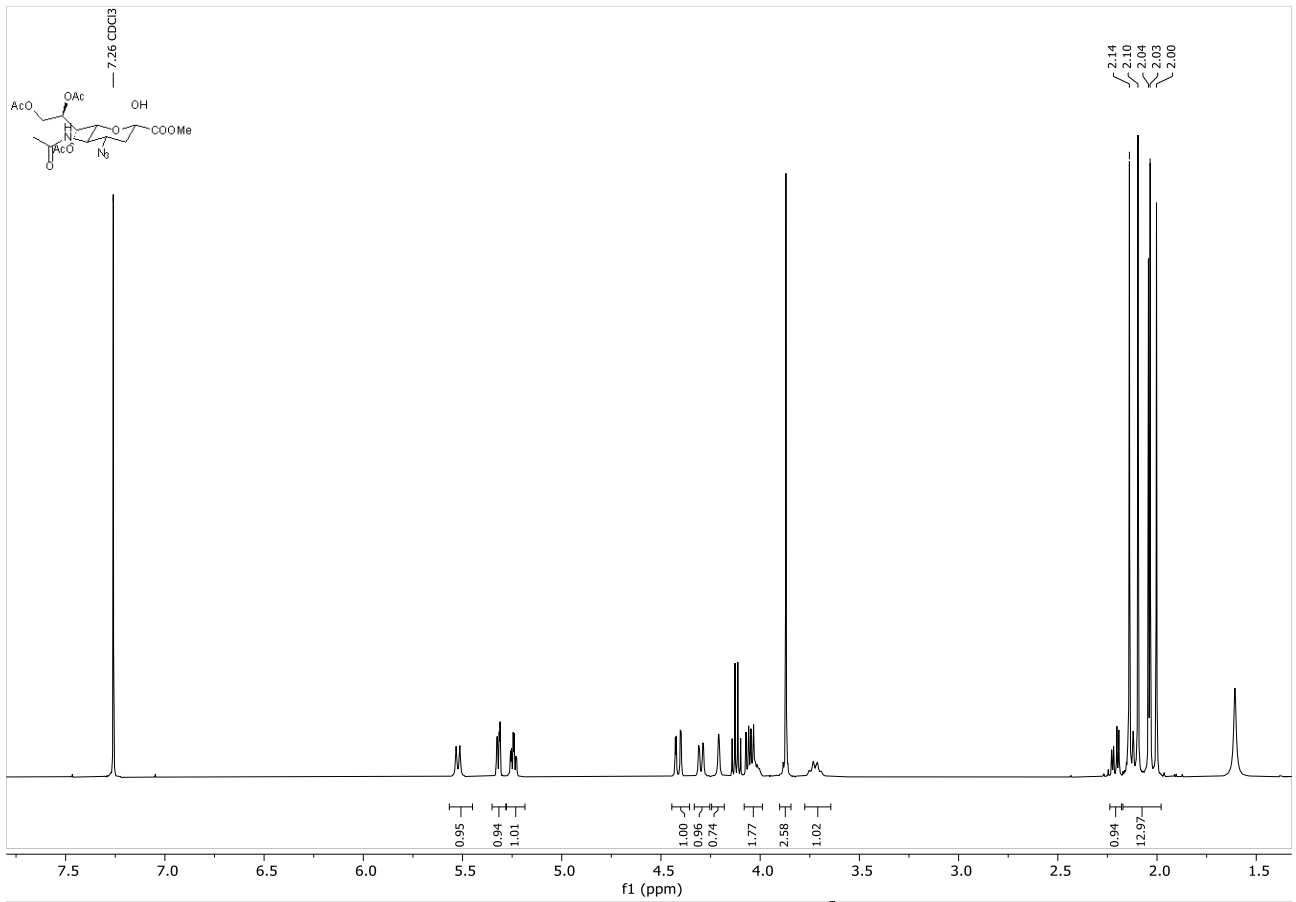
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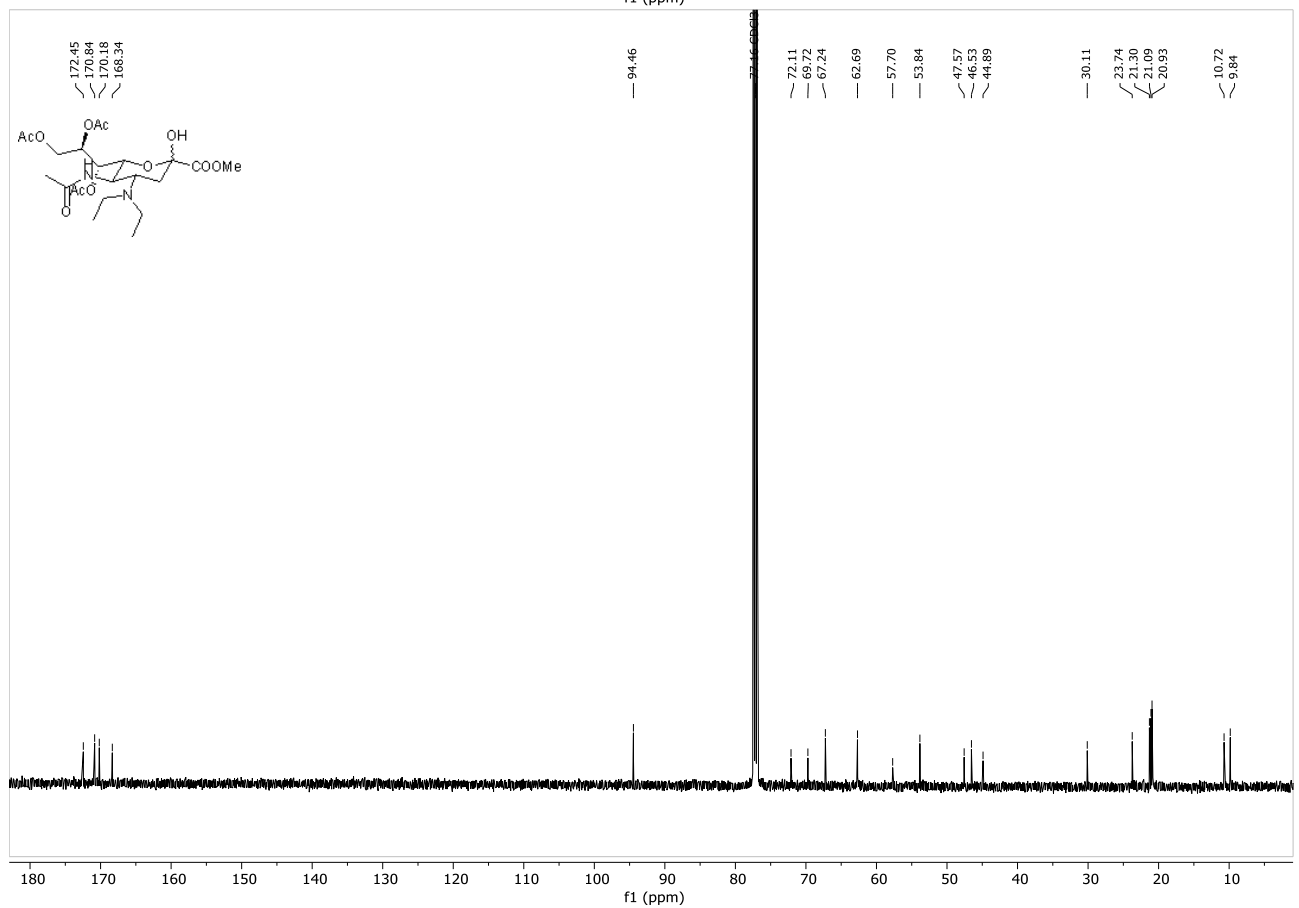
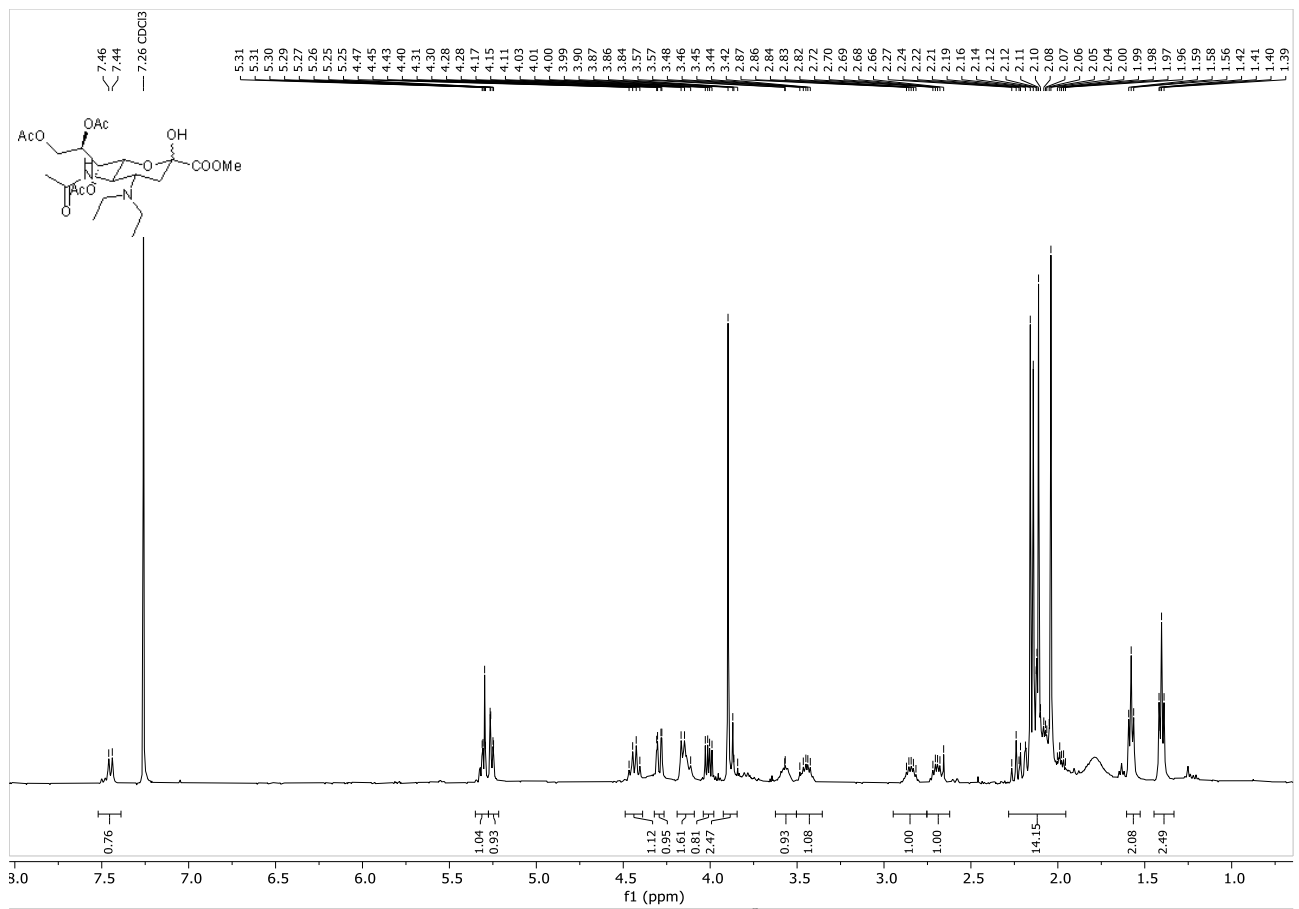
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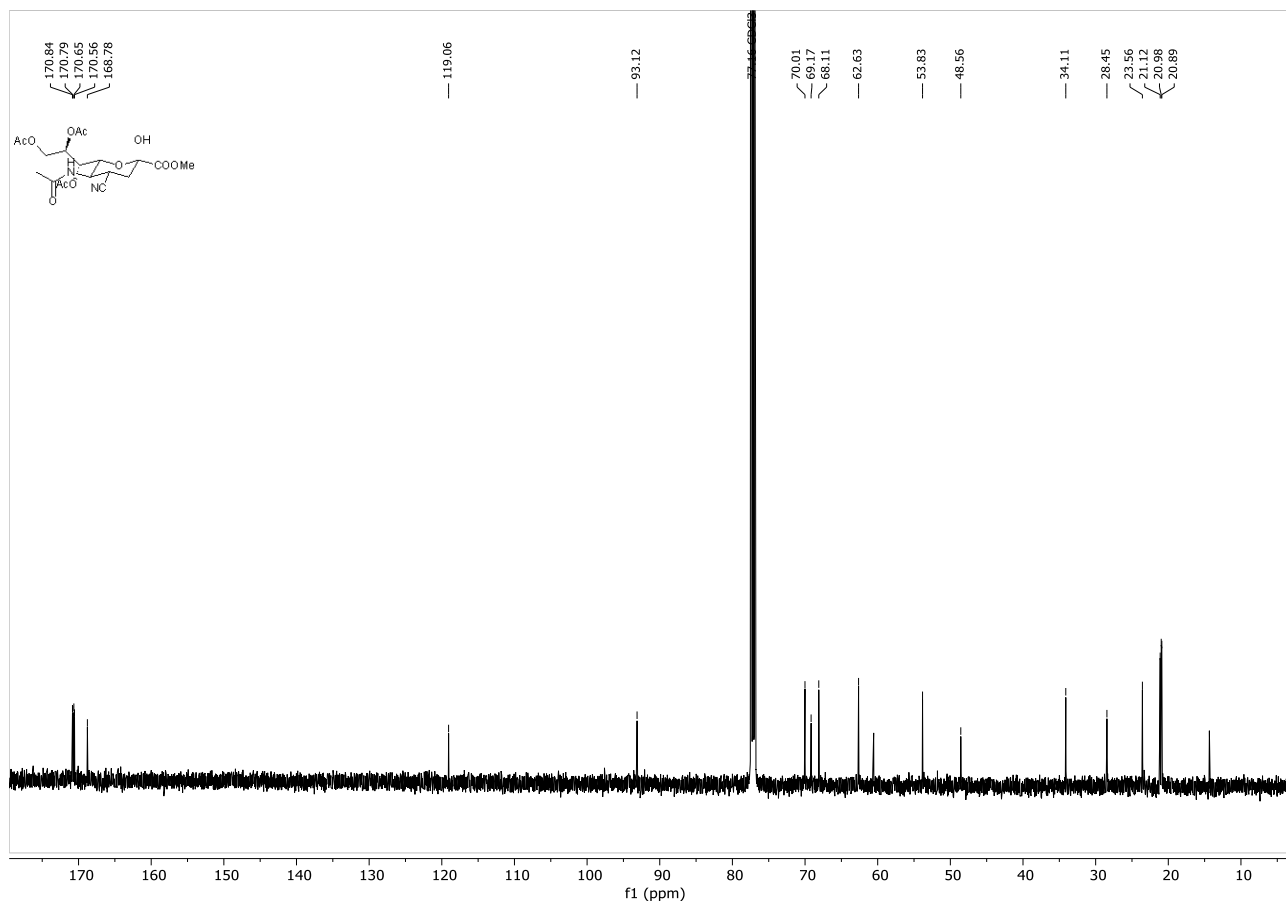
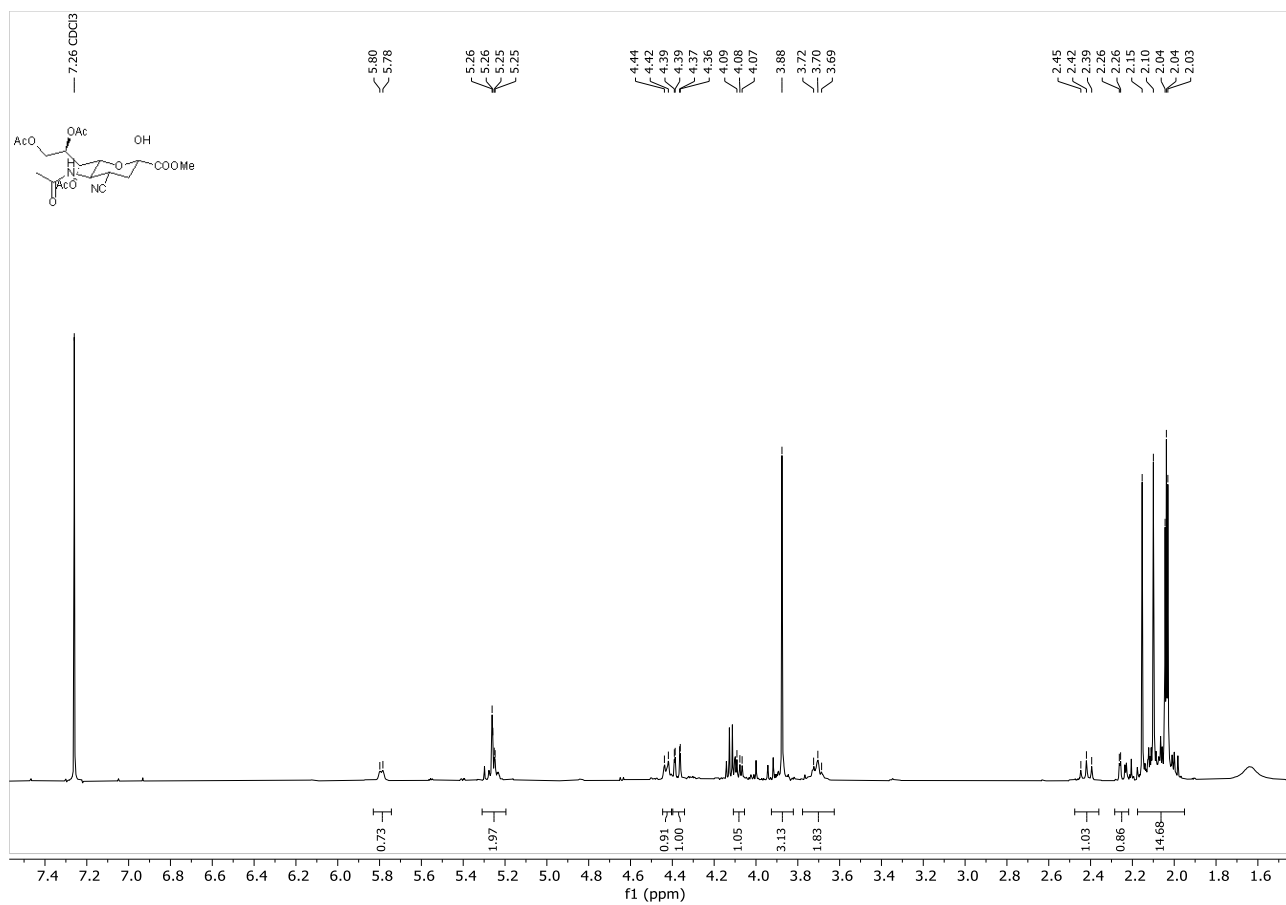
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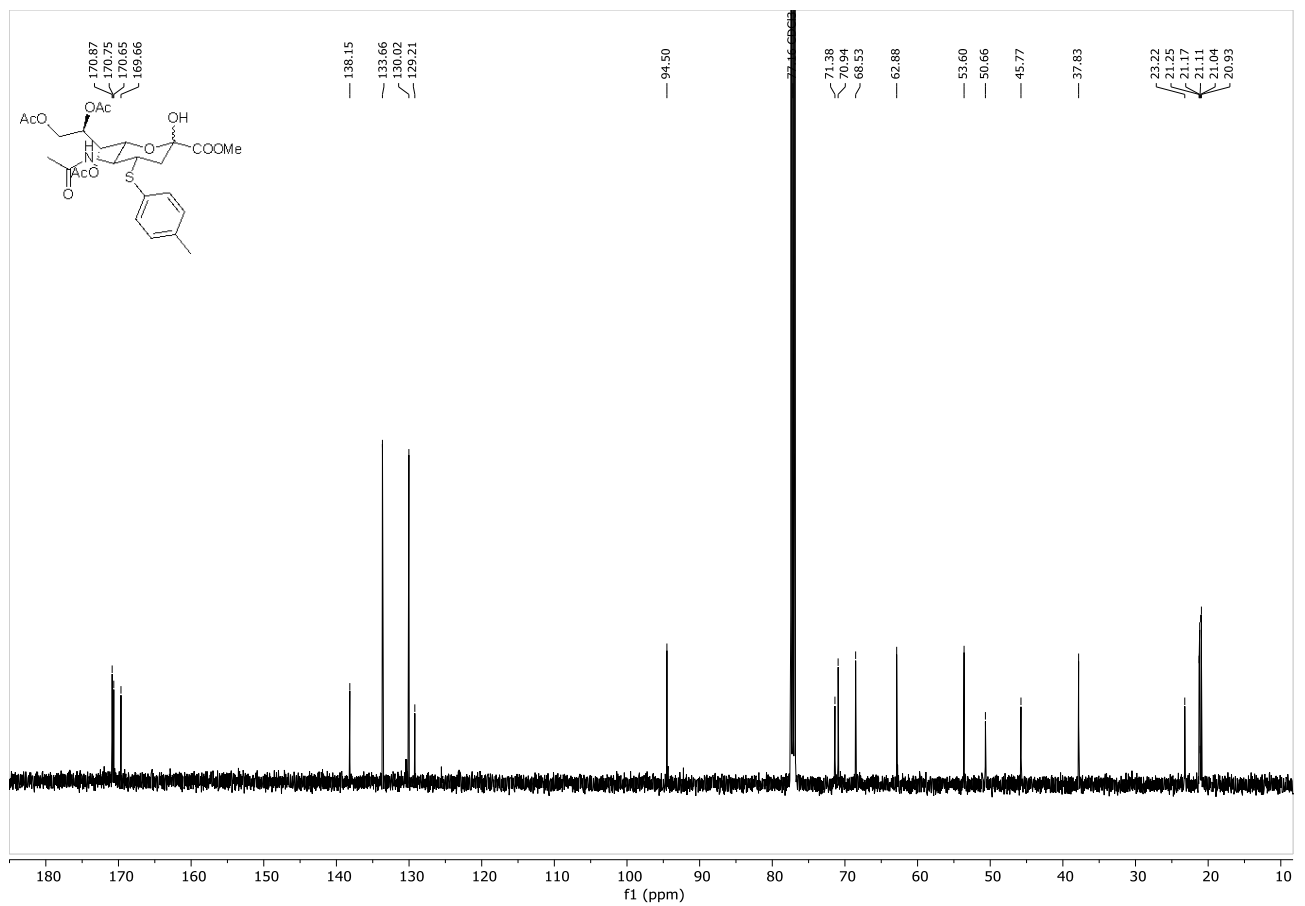
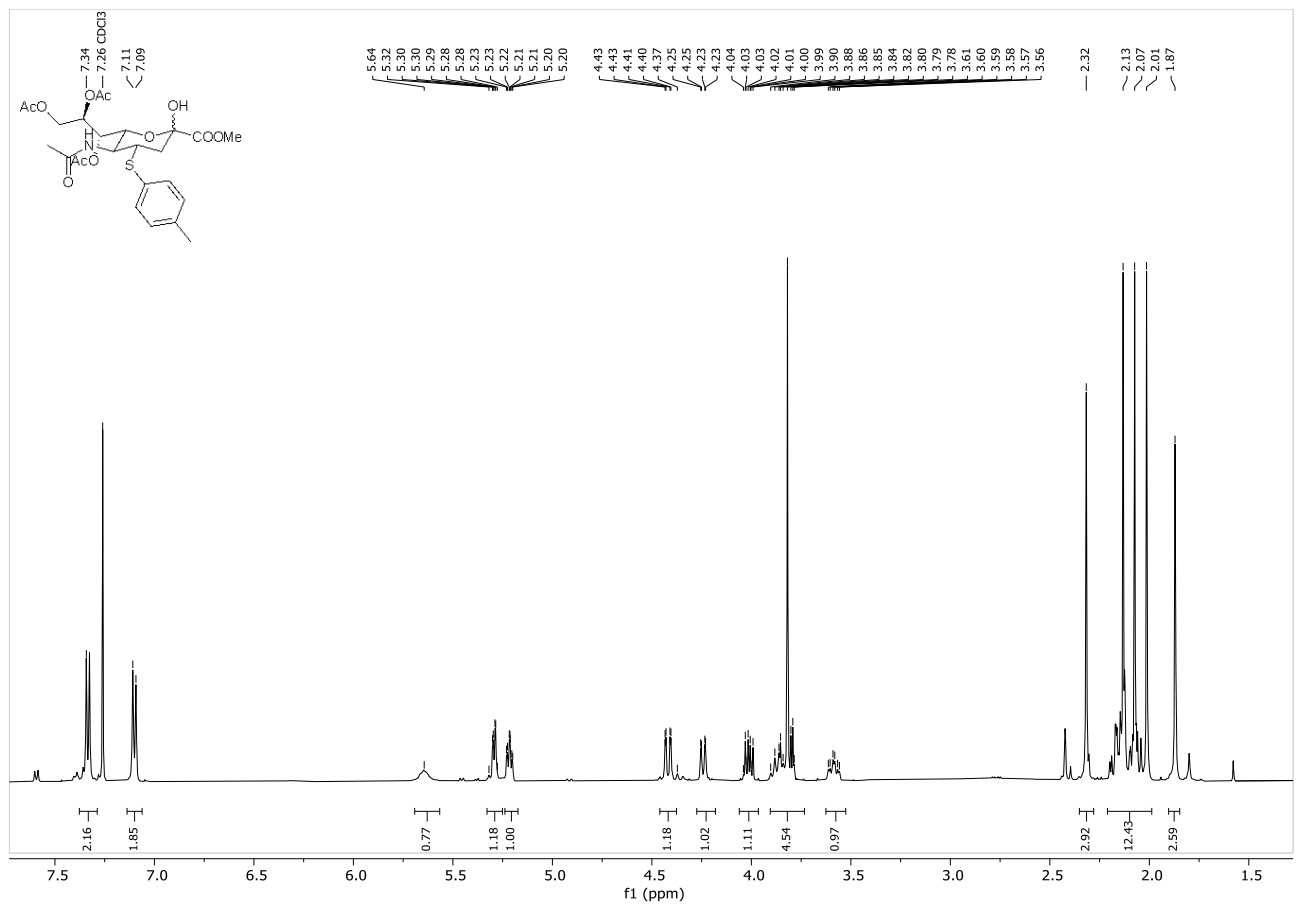
¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectra of compound 4g



¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectra of compound 4h



¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectra of compound 4i



¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectra of compound 4l

