

**Supplementary Material (SM)**

**Natural-product-inspired Design and Synthesis of  
Thiolated Coenzyme Q Analogs as Promising Agents  
against Gram-positive Bacterial Strains: Insights into  
Structure-activity Relationship, Activity Profile, Mode of  
Action, and Molecular Docking**

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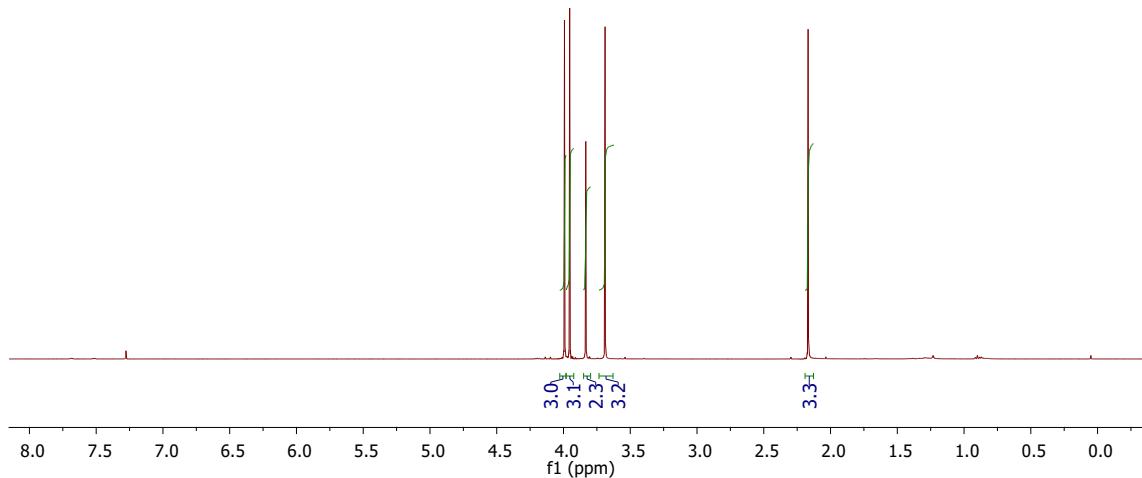
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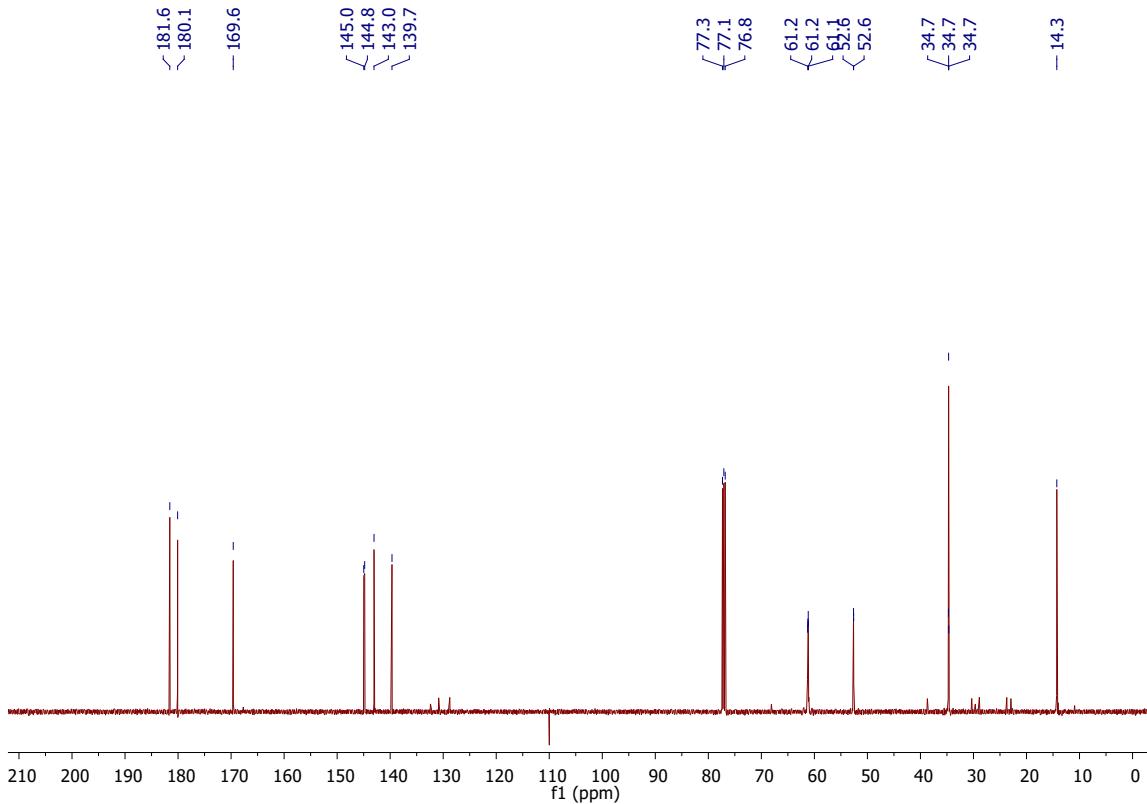
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Code of Strains	Isolate	Specimens	MIC values ( $\mu\text{g/mL}$ )	
			CoQ1	CoQ2
S2	MRSA	Blood	39.06	39.06
S4	MRSA	Blood	39.06	39.06
S5	MRSA	Blood	19.53	19.53
S10	MRSA	Blood	19.53	19.53
S12	MRSA	Blood	19.53	19.53
S18	MRSA	Blood	19.53	19.53
SA1	MRSA	Blood	78.12	625.00
SA2	MRSA	Blood	39.06	78.12
SA3	MRSA	Blood	39.06	39.06
SA4	MRSA	Blood	19.53	19.53
SA5	MRSA	Blood	9.76	19.53
SA6	MRSA	Blood	9.76	19.53
SA11	MRSA	Blood	78.12	78.12
SA14	MRSA	Blood	19.53	19.53
SA15	MRSA	Blood	19.53	19.53
SA16	MRSA	Blood	39.06	78.12
SA17	MRSA	Blood	39.06	78.12
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SA19	MRSA	Blood	39.06	39.06
SA20	MRSA	Blood	19.53	19.53

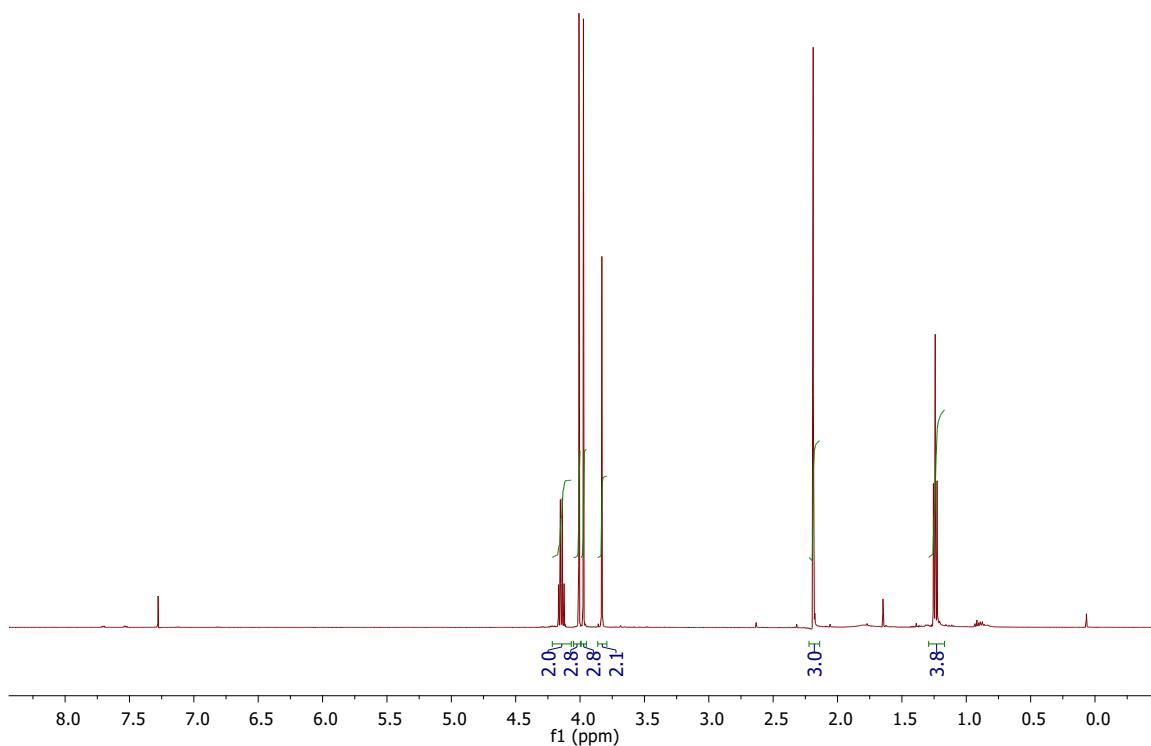
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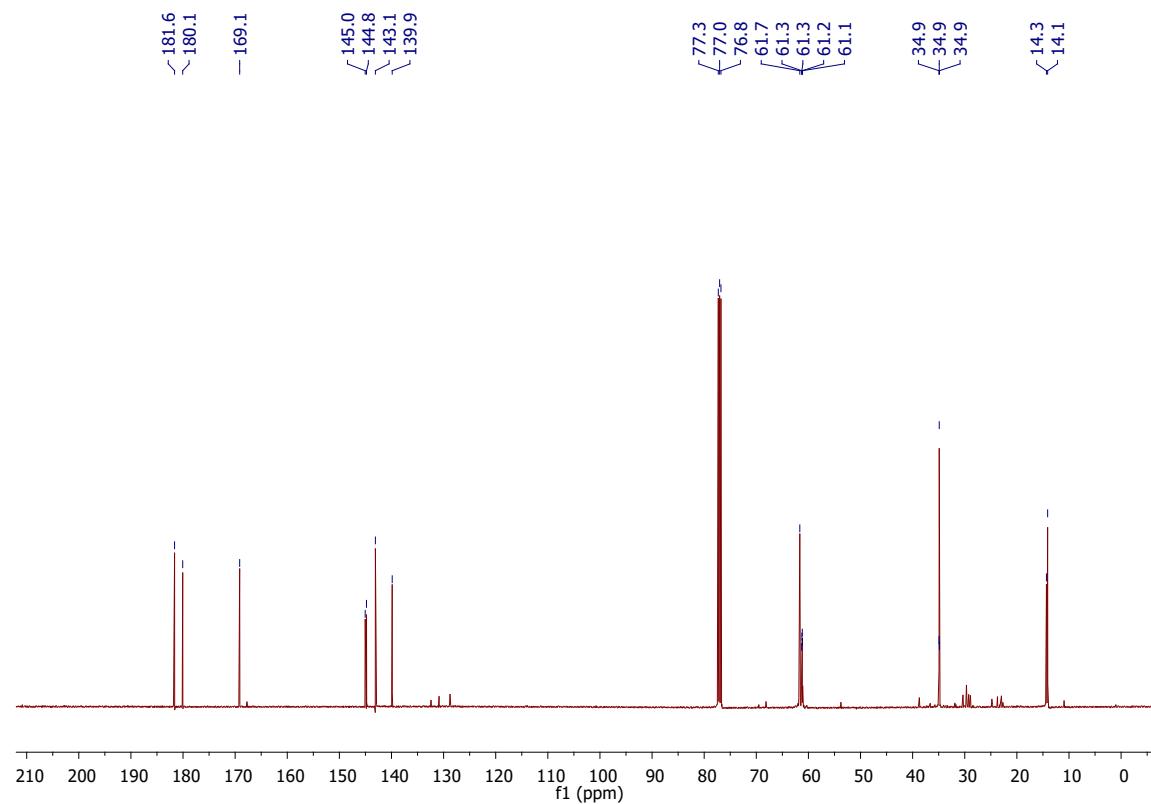
**Figure S1:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz) spectrum of the **CoQ1** in  $\text{CDCl}_3\text{-}d_1$



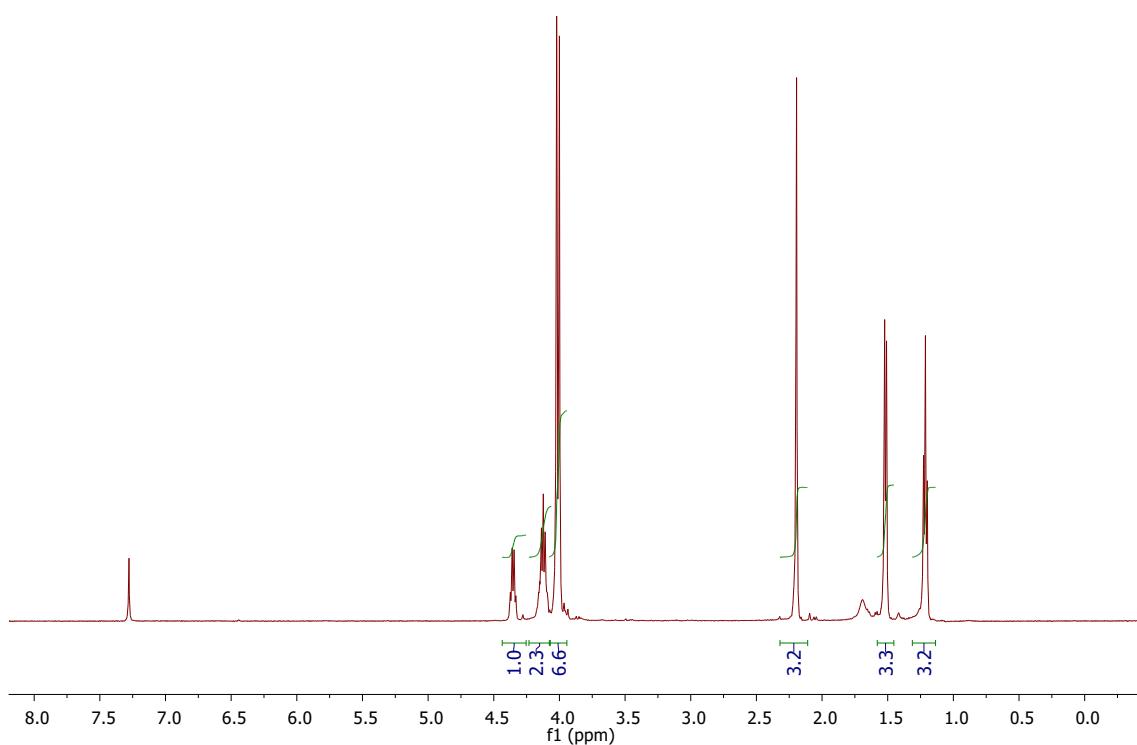
**Figure S2:** <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz) spectrum of the **CoQ1** in  $\text{CDCl}_3\text{-}d_1$



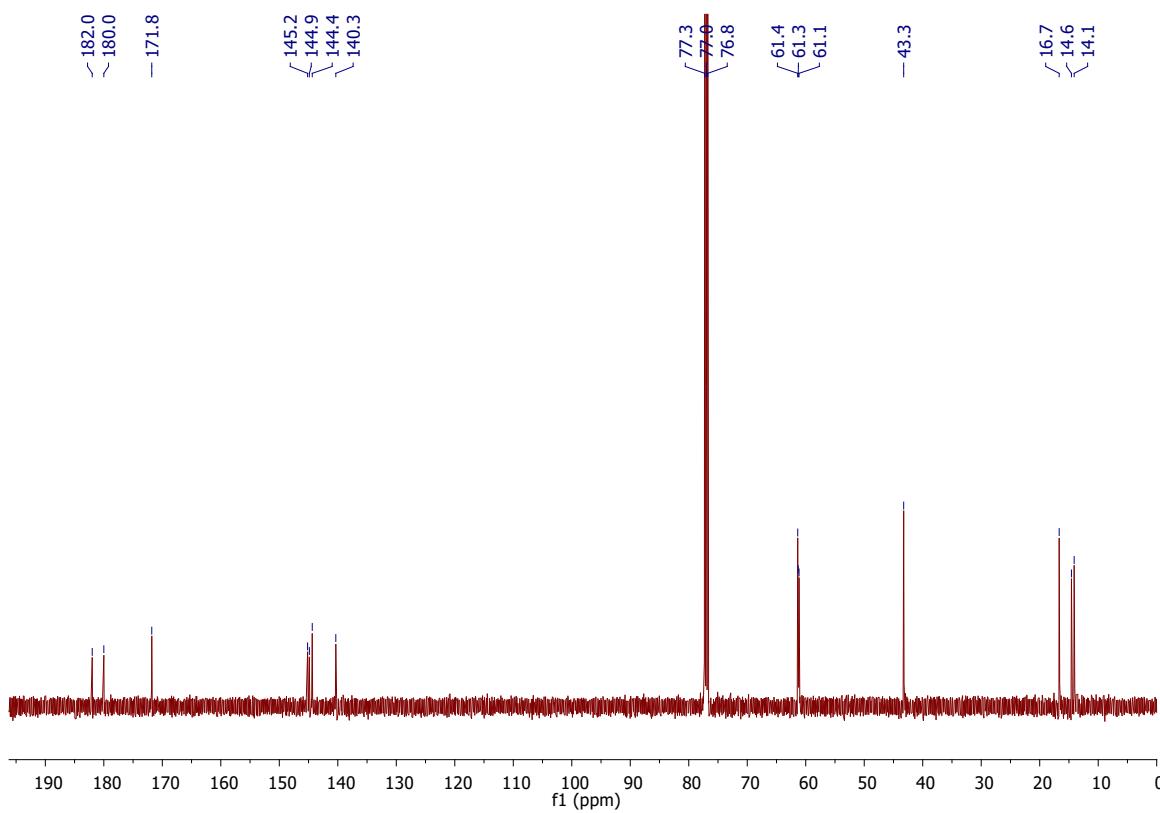
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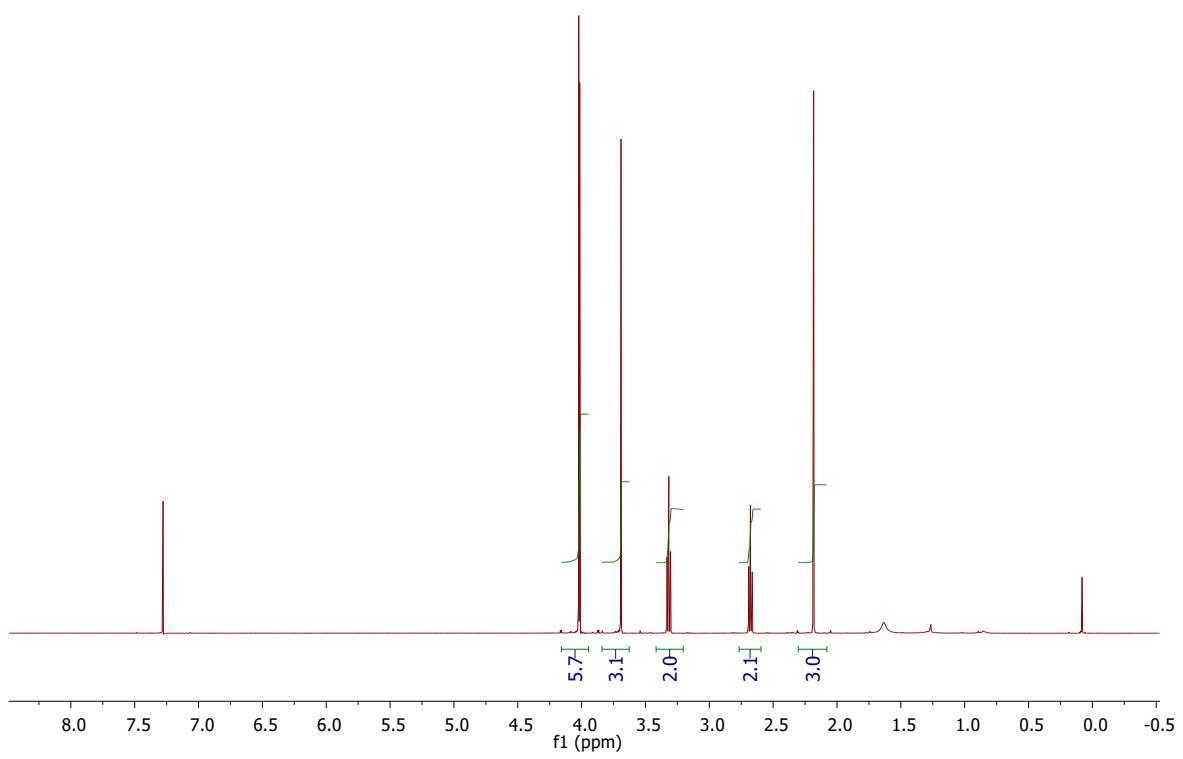
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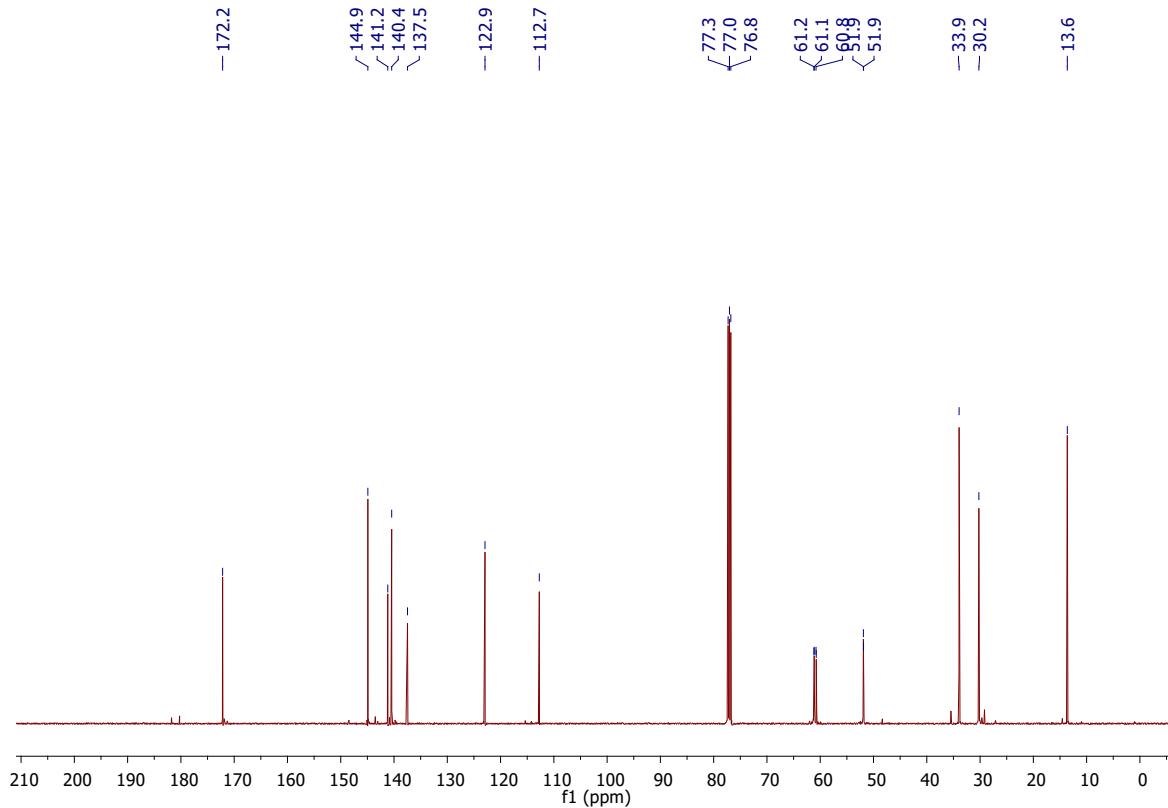
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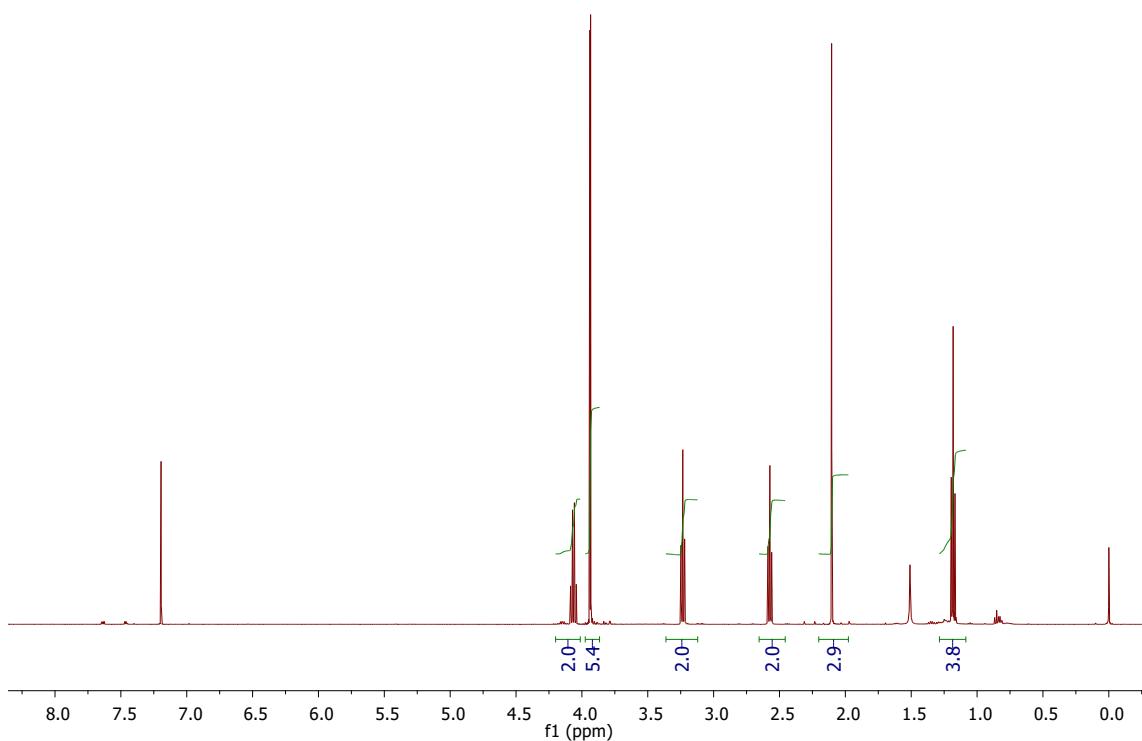
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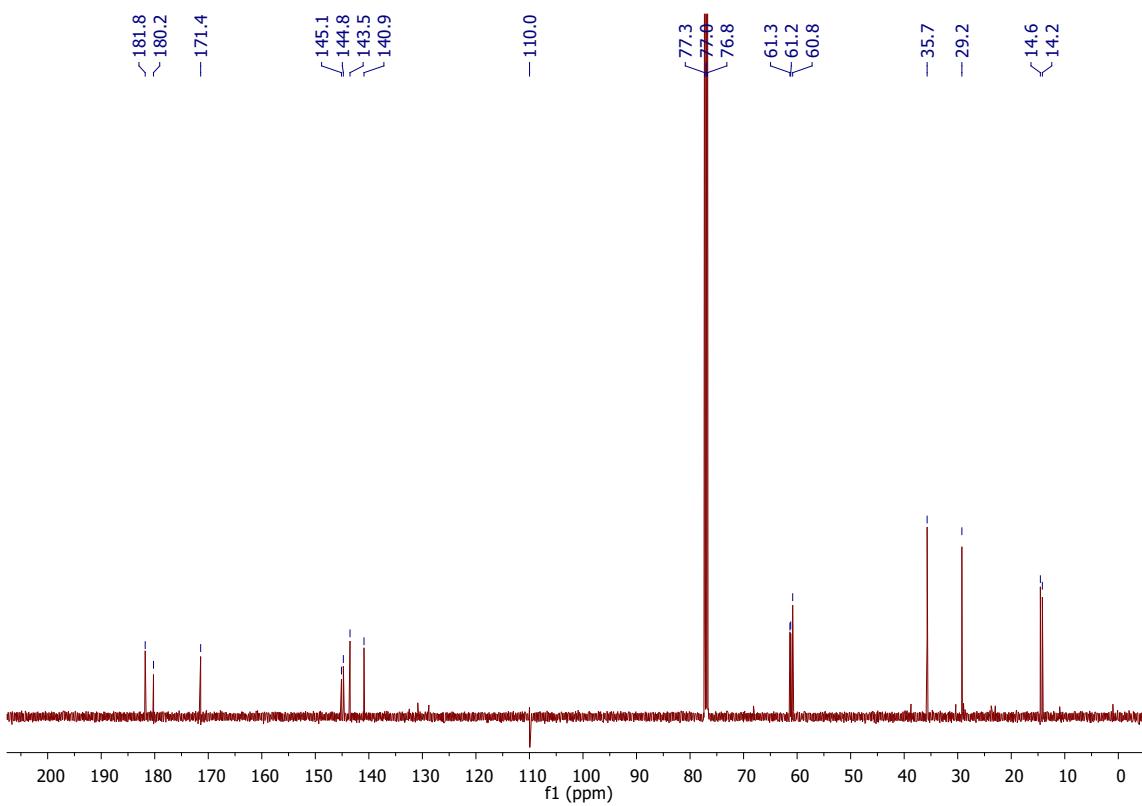
**Figure S7:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz) spectrum of the **CoQ4** in  $\text{CDCl}_3\text{-}d1$



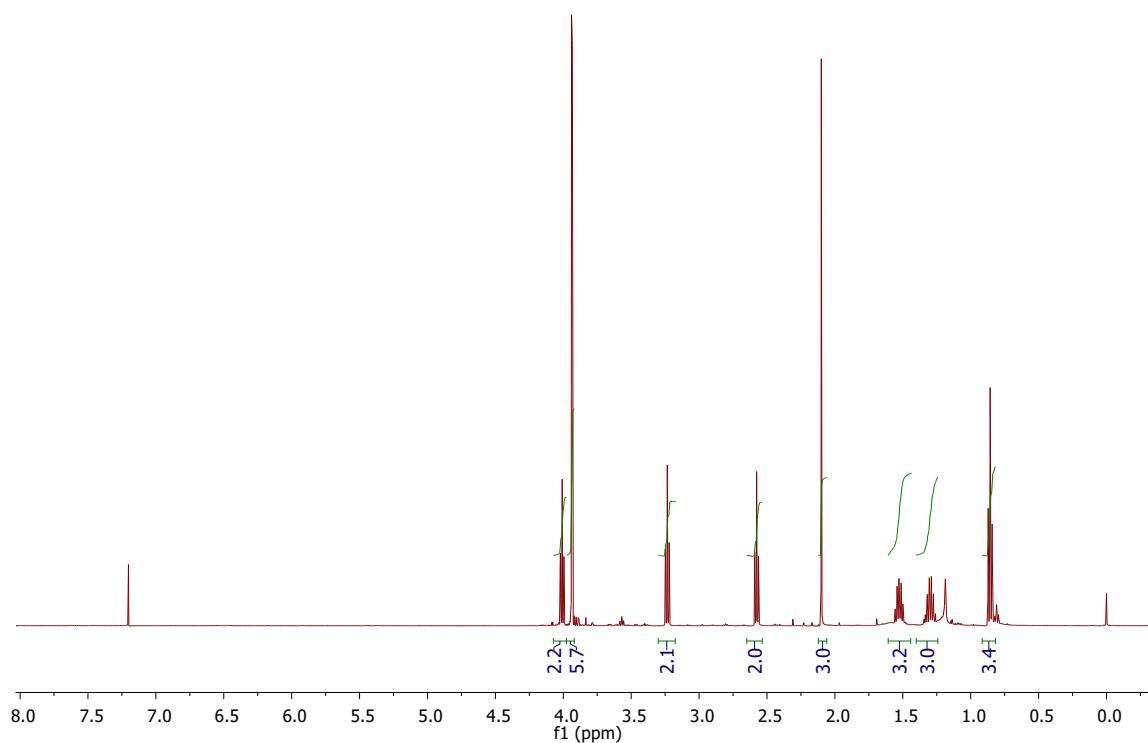
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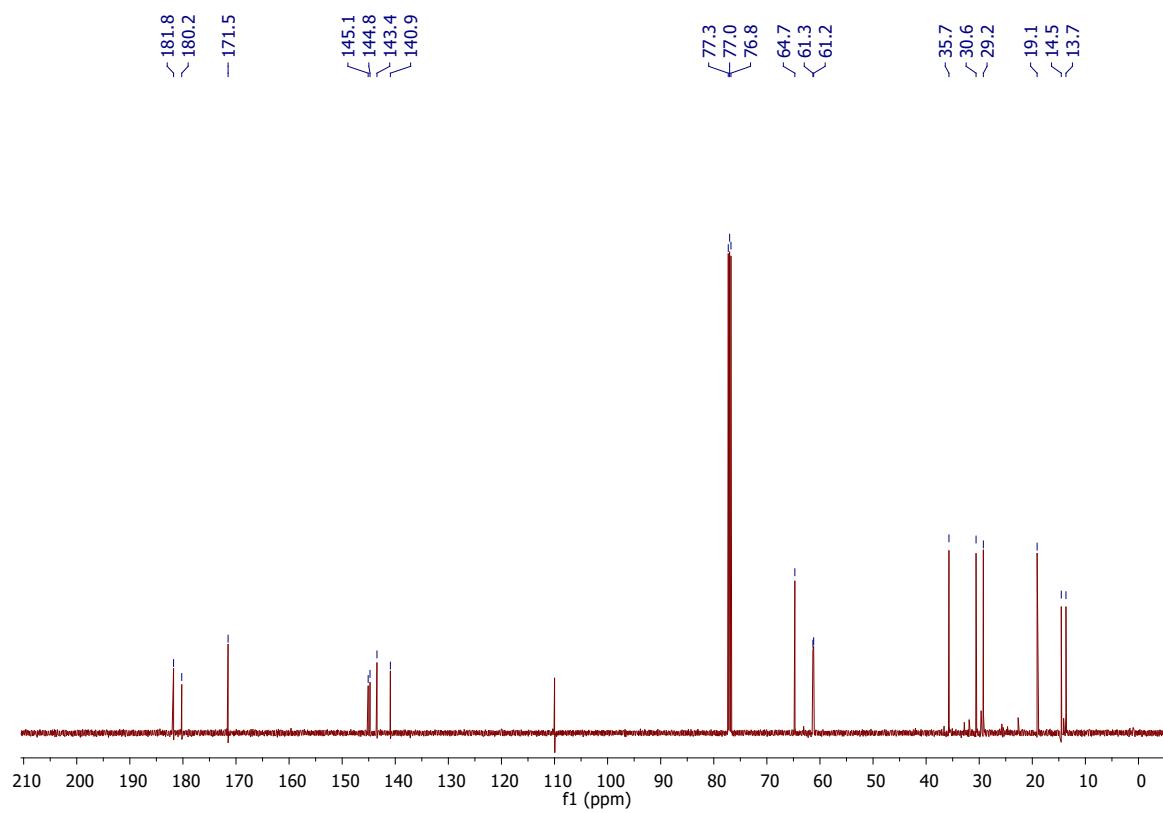
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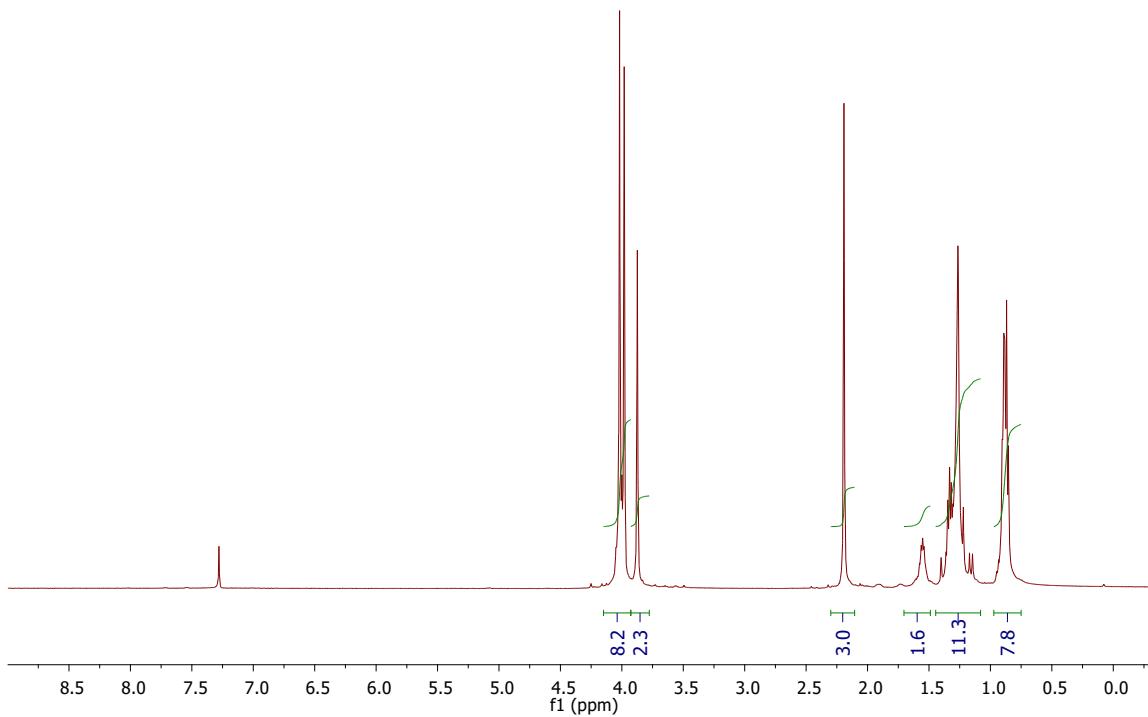
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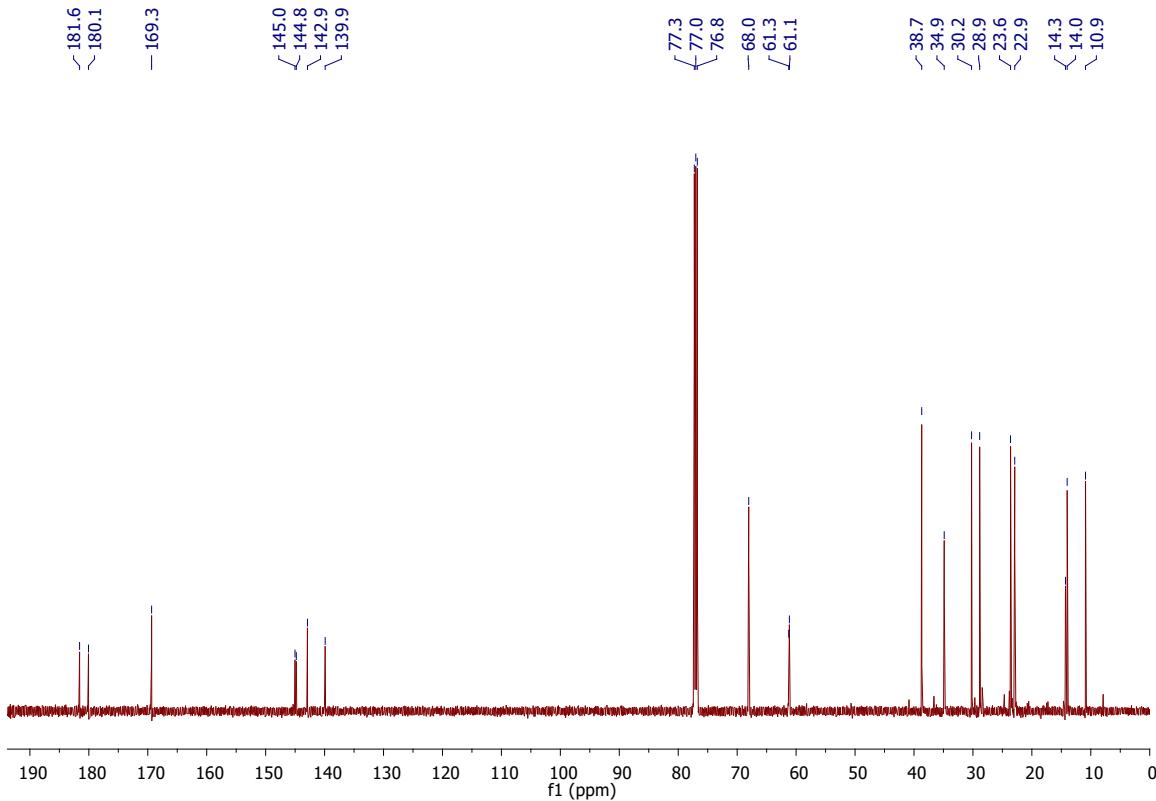
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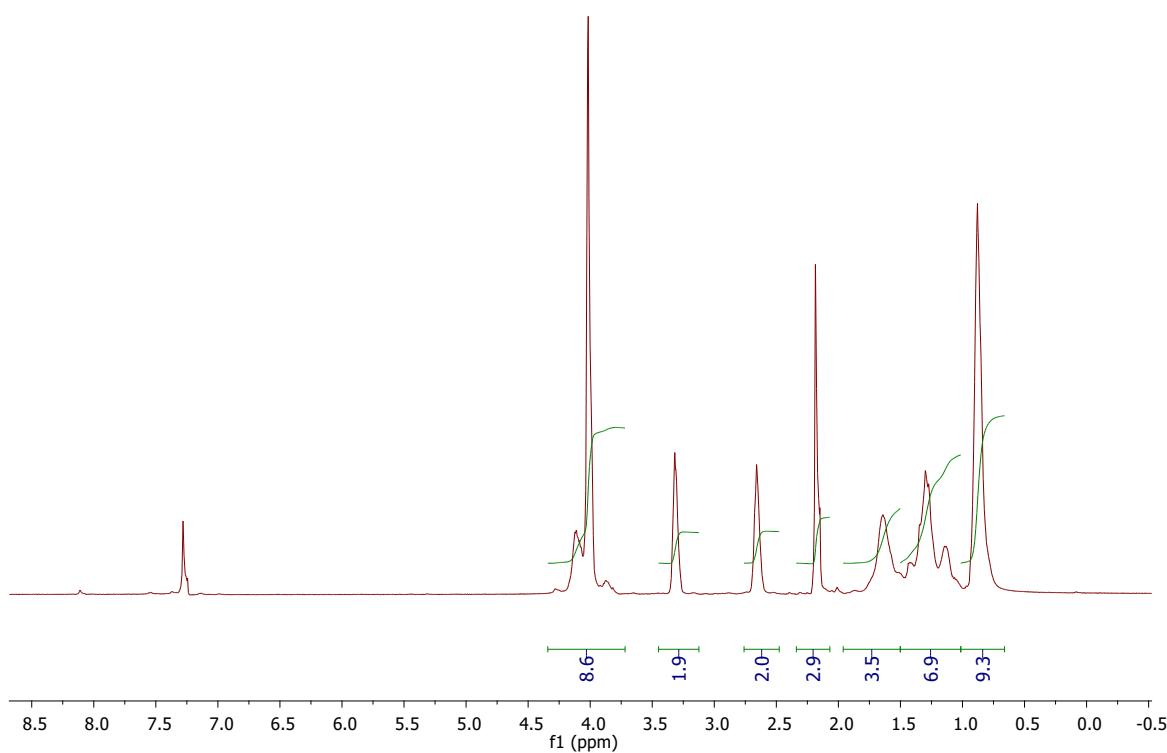
**Figure S12:** <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz) spectrum of the **CoQ6** in  $\text{CDCl}_3\text{-}d_1$



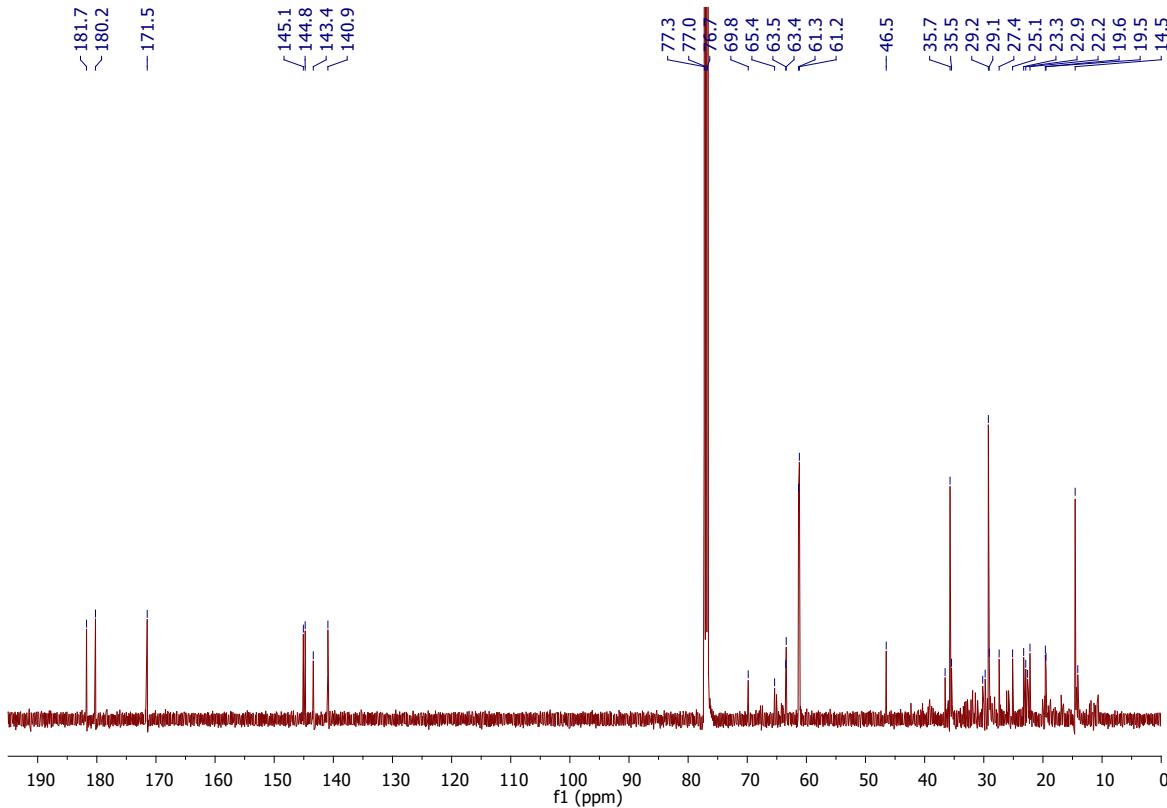
**Figure S13:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz) spectrum of the **CoQ7** in  $\text{CDCl}_3\text{-}d1$



**Figure S14:** <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz) spectrum of the **CoQ7** in  $\text{CDCl}_3\text{-}d1$



**Figure S15:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz) spectrum of the **CoQ8** in  $\text{CDCl}_3\text{-}d_1$



**Figure S16:** <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz) spectrum of the **CoQ8** in  $\text{CDCl}_3\text{-}d_1$

## Crystallographic data of CoQ1

### Computing details

Data collection: Bruker Instrument Service v2013.12.0.0 (Bruker AXS); cell refinement: APEX2 v2014.9-0 (Bruker AXS); data reduction: SAINT V8.34A (Bruker AXS); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXTL V6.14 (Bruker AXS); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXTL V6.14 (Bruker AXS); molecular graphics: Mercury (Macrae et al., 2006); software used to prepare material for publication: PLATON V1.16 (Spek, 2009), SHELXTL V6.14 (Bruker AXS).

### Crystal data

C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O <sub>6</sub> S	F(000) = 600
Mr = 286.29	D <sub>x</sub> = 1.458 Mg m <sup>-3</sup>
Monoclinic, P2 <sub>1</sub> /n	Mo K $\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda$ = 0.71073 Å
a = 3.9584 (5) Å	Cell parameters from 2473 reflections
b = 23.942 (3) Å	$\theta$ = 2.3–21.1°
c = 13.7731 (15) Å	$\mu$ = 0.27 mm <sup>-1</sup>
$\beta$ = 91.887 (8)°	T = 293 K
V = 1304.6 (3) Å <sup>3</sup>	Plate, red
Z = 4	0.51 × 0.06 × 0.05 mm

### Data collection

Bruker APEX II QUAZAR three-circle diffractometer  
Radiation source: microfocus sealed tube, ImuS Multilayer QUAZAR mirrors monochromator  
Detector resolution: 8.3333 pixels mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans  
 $\theta_{\max}$  = 25.0°,  $\theta_{\min}$  = 1.7°  
 $h$  = -4→4  
 $k$  = -28→28  
 $l$  = -16→16

Absorption correction: multi-scan SADABS V2014/4 (Bruker AXS)  
 $T_{\min}$  = 0.87,  $T_{\max}$  = 0.99  
18184 measured reflections  
2291 independent reflections  
1555 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$   
 $R_{\text{int}}$  = 0.078

### Refinement

Refinement on F<sup>2</sup>  
Least-squares matrix: full  
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)]$  = 0.049  
 $wR(F^2)$  = 0.124  
 $S$  = 1.04  
2291 reflections  
176 parameters  
0 restraints

Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites  
H-atom parameters constrained  
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0386P)^2 + 1.4745P]$   
where P = (F<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup> + 2F<sub>c</sub><sup>2</sup>)/3  
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max}$  = 0.015  
 $\Delta\rho_{\max}$  = 0.25 e Å<sup>-3</sup>  
 $\Delta\rho_{\min}$  = -0.21 e Å<sup>-3</sup>

### Special details

Geometry. All esds (except the esd in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account individually in the estimation of esds in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between esds in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell esds is used for estimating esds involving l.s. planes.

Geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ) for **CoQ1**

S1—C4	1.761 (3)	C3—C2	1.485 (4)
S1—C3	1.803 (3)	C3—H3A	0.97
O3—C11	1.218 (4)	C3—H3B	0.97
O4—C10	1.365 (4)	C8—C7	1.490 (5)
O4—C12	1.446 (4)	C6—H6A	0.96
O1—C2	1.318 (4)	C6—H6B	0.96
O1—C1	1.444 (4)	C6—H6C	0.96
O5—C8	1.344 (4)	C12—H12A	0.96
O5—C9	1.413 (4)	C12—H12B	0.96
O6—C7	1.209 (4)	C12—H12C	0.96
O2—C2	1.188 (4)	C9—H9A	0.96
C10—C8	1.337 (4)	C9—H9B	0.96
C10—C11	1.473 (4)	C9—H9C	0.96
C11—C4	1.497 (4)	C1—H1A	0.96
C4—C5	1.343 (4)	C1—H1B	0.96
C5—C7	1.486 (5)	C1—H1C	0.96
C5—C6	1.495 (4)		
C4—S1—C3	100.42 (15)	O6—C7—C5	120.5 (3)
C10—O4—C12	115.5 (3)	O6—C7—C8	120.0 (3)
C2—O1—C1	118.8 (3)	C5—C7—C8	119.4 (3)
C8—O5—C9	122.5 (3)	C5—C6—H6A	109.5
C8—C10—O4	122.2 (3)	C5—C6—H6B	109.5
C8—C10—C11	120.4 (3)	H6A—C6—H6B	109.5
O4—C10—C11	116.9 (3)	C5—C6—H6C	109.5
O3—C11—C10	120.3 (3)	H6A—C6—H6C	109.5
O3—C11—C4	121.0 (3)	H6B—C6—H6C	109.5
C10—C11—C4	118.7 (3)	O4—C12—H12A	109.5
C5—C4—C11	119.9 (3)	O4—C12—H12B	109.5
C5—C4—S1	121.4 (2)	H12A—C12—H12B	109.5
C11—C4—S1	118.2 (2)	O4—C12—H12C	109.5
C4—C5—C7	119.7 (3)	H12A—C12—H12C	109.5
C4—C5—C6	124.6 (3)	H12B—C12—H12C	109.5
C7—C5—C6	115.7 (3)	O5—C9—H9A	109.5
C2—C3—S1	110.5 (2)	O5—C9—H9B	109.5
C2—C3—H3A	109.5	H9A—C9—H9B	109.5
S1—C3—H3A	109.5	O5—C9—H9C	109.5
C2—C3—H3B	109.5	H9A—C9—H9C	109.5
S1—C3—H3B	109.5	H9B—C9—H9C	109.5
H3A—C3—H3B	108.1	O1—C1—H1A	109.5
C10—C8—O5	129.4 (3)	O1—C1—H1B	109.5
C10—C8—C7	120.1 (3)	H1A—C1—H1B	109.5
O5—C8—C7	110.5 (3)	O1—C1—H1C	109.5
O2—C2—O1	124.1 (3)	H1A—C1—H1C	109.5
O2—C2—C3	125.8 (3)	H1B—C1—H1C	109.5
O1—C2—C3	110.2 (3)		
C12—O4—C10—C8	124.0 (4)	C11—C10—C8—O5	-176.3 (4)
C12—O4—C10—C11	-64.0 (4)	O4—C10—C8—C7	174.2 (3)
C8—C10—C11—O3	165.0 (3)	C11—C10—C8—C7	2.5 (5)
O4—C10—C11—O3	-7.2 (5)	C9—O5—C8—C10	-17.9 (6)
C8—C10—C11—C4	-13.4 (5)	C9—O5—C8—C7	163.3 (3)
O4—C10—C11—C4	174.4 (3)	C1—O1—C2—O2	1.9 (6)
O3—C11—C4—C5	-162.6 (3)	C1—O1—C2—C3	-177.9 (3)
C10—C11—C4—C5	15.8 (5)	S1—C3—C2—O2	-0.1 (5)
O3—C11—C4—S1	9.4 (4)	S1—C3—C2—O1	179.7 (2)
C10—C11—C4—S1	-172.1 (2)	C4—C5—C7—O6	179.6 (4)
C3—S1—C4—C5	-136.1 (3)	C6—C5—C7—O6	-1.9 (5)

C3—S1—C4—C11	52.0 (3)	C4—C5—C7—C8	-4.1 (5)
C11—C4—C5—C7	-7.0 (5)	C6—C5—C7—C8	174.4 (3)
S1—C4—C5—C7	-178.8 (3)	C10—C8—C7—O6	-177.1 (4)
C11—C4—C5—C6	174.7 (3)	O5—C8—C7—O6	1.8 (5)
S1—C4—C5—C6	2.9 (5)	C10—C8—C7—C5	6.5 (5)
C4—S1—C3—C2	175.5 (3)	O5—C8—C7—C5	-174.5 (3)
O4—C10—C8—O5	-4.5 (6)		

### Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ , $^\circ$ ) for **CoQ1**

D—H···A	D—H	H···A	D···A	D—H···A
C3—H3A···O3	0.97	2.33	2.974 (4)	123
C3—H3B···O3 <sub>i</sub>	0.97	2.60	3.425 (4)	143
C9—H9A···O4 <sub>i</sub>	0.96	2.65	3.508 (5)	149
C1—H1A···O5 <sub>ii</sub>	0.96	2.54	3.456 (5)	160

Symmetry codes: (i) x+1, y, z; (ii) -x+3/2, y+1/2, -z+1/2.

**Table S2.** Crystallographic data for the **CoQ1**.

Identification code	CoQ1
Chemical formula	$\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_6\text{S}$
Formula weight (g mol <sup>-1</sup> )	286.29
Temperature (K)	273
Radiation $\lambda$ ( $\text{\AA}$ )	0.71073
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Space groups, Z	P 1 2 <sub>1</sub> /n 1, 4
Unit cell dimensions ( $\text{\AA}$ )	$a = 3.9584(5)$ $b = 23.942(3)$ $c = 13.7731(15)$ $\alpha, \gamma = 90^\circ$ $\beta = 91.887(8)^\circ$
Volume ( $\text{\AA}^3$ )	1304.6(3)
Crystal sizes (mm)	0.053 x 0.055 x 0.507
dcalc (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.458
Absorption coefficient (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.268
Absorption correction, Tmin, Tmax	multi-scan, 0.986 and 0.876
$\theta_{\max}$ , deg	1.70 to 25.00
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.039
Index ranges	$-4 \leq h \leq 4$ $-28 \leq k \leq 28$ $-16 \leq l \leq 16$
Reflections collected	18184
Independent reflections	2291 [R(int) = 0.0781]
Final R indices [ $I > 2\sigma(I)$ ]	1555 data R1 = 0.0491 wR2 = 0.1037

R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0872 wR2 = 0.1244
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>
Data/restraints/parameters	2291 / 0 / 176
Largest diff. peak and hole (eÅ <sup>-3</sup> )	0.253 and -0.212

**Table S3.** Selected bond lengths (Å) for **CoQ1**

S1-C4	1.761(3)	S1-C3	1.803(3)
O3-C11	1.218(4)	O4-C10	1.365(4)
O4-C12	1.446(4)	O1-C2	1.318(4)
O1-C1	1.444(4)	O5-C8	1.344(4)
O5-C9	1.413(4)	O6-C7	1.209(4)
O2-C2	1.188(4)	C3-C2	1.485(4)

**Table S4.** Selected bond angles (°) for **CoQ1**

C4-S1-C3	100.42(15)	C10-O4-C12	115.5(3)
C2-O1-C1	118.8(3)	C8-O5-C9	122.5(3)
O4-C10-C11	116.9(3)	O5-C8-C7	110.5(3)

**Table S5.** Selected torsion angles (°) for **CoQ1**

O3-C11-C4-S1	9.4(4)	C12-O4-C10-C11	-64.0(4)
C3-S1-C4-C5	-136.1(3)	O4-C10-C11-O3	-7.2(5)
C3-S1-C4-C11	52.0(3)	O5-C8-C7-O6	1.8(5)
S1-C4-C5-C7	-178.8(3)	C9-O5-C8-C7	163.3(3)
S1-C4-C5-C6	2.9(5)	C1-O1-C2-C3	-177.9(3)
C4-S1-C3-C2	175.5(3)	C1-O1-C2-O2	1.9(6)

**Table S6.** Hydrogen-bond geometry ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ ) for **CoQ1**

D-H $\cdots$ A	Donor-H	Acceptor-H	Donor-Acceptor	Angle
C3-H3A $\cdots$ O3	0.97	2.33	2.974(4)	123.0
C3-H3B $\cdots$ O3 <sup>i</sup>	0.97	2.60	3.425(4)	143.3
C9-H9A $\cdots$ O4 <sup>i</sup>	0.96	2.65	3.508(5)	148.8
C1-H1A $\cdots$ O5 <sup>ii</sup>	0.96	2.54	3.456(5)	160.4

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x+1, y, z$ ; (ii)  $-x+3/2, y+1/2, -z+1/2$

### ADME data for CoQ3-8

<b>Property/rule</b>	<b>CoQ3</b>	<b>CoQ4</b>	<b>CoQ5</b>	<b>CoQ6</b>	<b>CoQ7</b>	<b>CoQ8</b>
MW	314	300	314	342	384	384
Log P	2.80	2.62	2.31	3.47	3.69	3.62
TPSA Å <sup>2</sup>	104.20	104.20	104.20	104.20	104.20	104.20
HBA	6	6	6	6	6	6
HBD	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lipinski	Yes, 0 violation					
Ghose	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Veber	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Egan	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Muegge	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Leadlikeness	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes

<b>Property</b>	<b>CoQ3</b>	<b>CoQ4</b>	<b>CoQ5</b>	<b>CoQ6</b>	<b>CoQ7</b>	<b>CoQ8</b>
BBB permeability	No	No	No	No	No	No
GI absorption	High	High	High	High	High	High
Log S	-2.70	-2.07	-2.32	-2.9	-4.2	-4.2
Solubility	Soluble	Soluble	Soluble	Moderately Soluble	Moderately Soluble	Moderately Soluble
Bioavailability score	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56
CYP1A2, CYP2C9, CYP2D6, CYP3A4	No	No	No	No	No	No