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Advancing Energy Safety via Stepwise Nucleophilic Substitution on Tetrazine

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Section S1. Experimental section

Section S1.1. Caution!

The new compounds are energetic materials which show increased sensitivities toward various stimuli (e.g., higher temperatures, impact, and friction). Proper safety precautions such as leather gloves, face shield, and eye protection must be taken at all times while synthesizing and handling these materials. All materials should be synthesized in milligram amounts. Wear personal protective equipment while handing hydrazine hydrate and use only in fume hood.

Section S1.2. General methods

All reagents (analytical grade) were purchased from AK Scientific or VWR or Oakwood chemicals and were used as supplied. ¹H, ¹³C, ¹⁴N and ¹⁵N NMR spectra were recorded using a 500 MHz (Bruker AVANCE 500) NMR spectrometer operating at 500.19, 125.78, 36.14, and 50.69 MHz, respectively. Chemical shifts in ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra are reported relative to Me₄Si; ¹⁴N and ¹⁵N NMR spectra to MeNO₂ as an external standard. Abbreviations for multiplicities and descriptors are: s = singlet, br = broad, m = multiplet (denotes complex pattern), and q = quartet. The decomposition points (onset temperature) were obtained on a differential scanning calorimeter (TA Instruments Company, Model: Q2000). Infrared spectra were recorded on a FT-IR spectrometer (Thermo Nicolet 6700) equipped with an ATR assembly. The densities were measured at ambient temperatures by employing a gas pycnometer (Micromeritics AccuPyc II 1340). The impact and friction sensitivities were determined by using a standard BAM drop hammer and BAM friction tester. Elemental analyses were carried out on a Vario Micro cube Elementar Analyser.

Section S1.3. Synthesis of compounds 2-6

Compounds 1, 2 and 3 were obtained following the literature procedures.¹⁻²

Synthesis of compound 4. To a stirred solution of compound **3** (1.50 g, 6.4 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in ethanol (30 mL) at 0°C, a solution of 85% hydrazine hydrate (0.64 g, 12.7 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) in ethanol (10 mL) was added. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred for 1 hr. The red precipitate obtained was filtered and washed with CH₃CN (2 x 10 mL). The compound (**4**) was further purified by recrystallization with methanol. Isolated yield: (0.80 g, 63%); $T_{dec} = 114$ °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 8.88 (bs, 1H), 6.91 (bs, 5H), 4.44 (bs, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 163.8, 162.3; IR (v, cm⁻¹): 3448, 3299, 3183, 2926, 2639, 1626, 1553, 1403, 1336, 1290, 1174, 1134, 1060, 955, 762, 682, 531; Calcd for C₂H₈N₁₀O₂: C, 11.77; H, 3.95; N, 68.61. Found: C, 12.77; H, 3.62; N, 68.55.

The synthesis of compound **4** was also carried out, increasing the scale by threefold. To a stirred solution of compound **3** (4.54 g, 19 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in ethanol (100 mL) at 0°C, a solution of 85% hydrazine hydrate (1.92 g, 38 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) in ethanol (30 mL) was added. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred for 1 hr. The red precipitate obtained was filtered and washed with CH₃CN (2 x 30 mL). Isolated yield: (2.5 g, 64%); Calcd for C₂H₈N₁₀O₂.(0.2CH₃CN): C, 13.57; H, 4.08; N, 67.28. Found: C, 13.32; H, 3.93; N, 66.79.

Synthesis of compound 5. Compound **4** (0.50 g, 2.4 mmol) was dissolved in water and TATOT·HCl (0.47 g, 2.4 mmol) was added in portions. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. The orange solid (**5**) was filtered off, washed with water and dried. Isolated yield: (0.60 g, 77%); $T_{dec.}$ = 159 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 9.07 (bs, 1H), 7.94 (s, 2H), 7.15 (s, 2H), 5.76 (s, 2H), 4.18 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 163.6, 162.1, 160.0, 147.6, 141.4; IR (\tilde{v} , cm⁻¹): 3310, 2995, 2717, 1680, 1638, 1546, 1465, 1352, 1311, 1160, 1060, 980, 937, 835, 773, 720, 603, 540; Elemental analysis: Calcd for C₅H₁₀N₁₆O₂: C, 18.41; H, 3.09; N, 68.69. Found: C, 18.50; H, 3.18; N, 68.33.

Synthesis of compound 6. Compound 4 (0.50 g, 2.4 mmol) was dissolved in water and MA·HCl (0.39 g, 2.4 mmol) was added in portions. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. The orange solid (6) was filtered off, washed with water and dried. Isolated yield: (0.50 g, 76%); $T_{dec.} = 162 \text{ °C}$; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 9.02 (s, 1H), 7.40 (s, 6H), 3.45 (bs, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 163.3, 162.1, 160.8; IR (\tilde{v} , cm⁻¹): 3395, 3293, 3121, 1679, 1638, 1522, 1462, 1379, 1294, 1177, 1147, 1031, 886, 778, 653, 571; Elemental analysis: Calcd for C₅H₁₀N₁₄O₂: C, 20.14; H, 3.38; N, 65.75. Found: C, 20.40; H, 3.41; N, 64.10. **Synthesis of compound 7**. Compound **4** (0.5 g, 2.4 mmol) was dissolved in water and sulfuric acid (10% in water) was added dropwise. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The red solid (7) was filtered off, washed with water and dried. Isolated yield: (0.30 g, 73%); T_{dec.} = 139 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 4.09 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 161.1, 160.1; IR (\tilde{v} , cm⁻¹): 3481, 3399, 3150, 2929, 2708, 1608, 1546, 1503, 1465, 1359, 1287, 1206, 1113, 1047, 966, 896, 837, 771, 571; Elemental analysis: Calcd for C₂H₄N₈O₂: C, 13.96; H, 2.34; N, 65.11. Found: C, 13.95; H, 2.54; N, 64.44.

The synthesis of compound 7 was also carried out, increasing the scale by threefold. Compound 4 (1.5 g, 7.3 mmol) was dissolved in 20 ml water and sulfuric acid (10% in water) was added dropwise. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The red solid (7) was filtered off, washed with water and dried. Isolated yield: (0.9 g, 75%).

Synthesis of compound 8. To the stirred solution of compound **3** (1.50 g, 6.4 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in ethanol (30 mL), a solution of 28% aqueous ammonia (2 mL) in ethanol (10 mL) was added. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred for 6 hr. The red precipitate obtained was filtered and washed with CH₃CN (2 x 10mL). The compound (**8**) was further purified by recrystallization with methanol. Isolated yield: (0.80 g, 73%); $T_{dec.} = 174$ °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 7.43 (s,

2H), 7.27 (s, 4H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 163.4, 161.9; IR (\tilde{v} , cm⁻¹): 3481, 3328, 3175, 1646, 1524, 1454, 1358, 1299, 1062, 1025, 972, 884, 850, 772, 641, 570; Calcd for C₂H₆N₈O₂: C, 13.80; H, 3.47; N, 64.35. Found: C, 13.83; H, 3.28; N, 64.04.

Synthesis of compound 9. Compound **8** (0.5 g, 2.9 mmol) was dissolved in water (20 mL) and TATOT·HCl (0.55 g, 2.9 mmol) was added in portions. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. The orange solid (**9**) was filtered off, washed with water (2 x 10mL) and dried. Isolated yield: (0.60 g, 67%); $T_{dec.} = 241 \text{ °C}$; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 8.00 (s, 2H), 7.44 (s, 2H), 7.17 (s, 2H), 5.77 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 163.1, 161.7, 160.1, 147.6, 141.3; IR (\tilde{v} , cm⁻¹): 3360, 3244, 3187, 3146, 1664, 1590, 1509, 1418, 1373, 1357, 1290, 1057, 950, 838, 600; Elemental analysis: Calcd for C₅H₉N₁₅O₂: C, 19.30; H, 2.91; N, 67.51. Found: C, 19.26; H, 2.96; N, 66.85.

Synthesis of compound 10. Compound **8** (0.5 g, 2.9 mmol) was dissolved in water (20 mL) and MA·HCl (0.47 g, 2.9 mmol) (MA = melamine) was added in portions. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. The orange solid (**10**) was filtered off, washed with water (2 x 10 mL) and dried. Isolated yield: (0.65 g, 79%); $T_{dec.} = 252 \text{ °C}$; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 7.54 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 162.6, 161.7, 160.3; IR (\tilde{v} , cm⁻¹): 3421, 3363, 31261673, 1622, 1557, 1513, 1409, 1344, 1300, 1126, 1067, 859, 774; Elemental analysis: Calcd for C₅H₉N₁₃O₂: C, 21.20; H, 3.20; N, 64.29. Found: C, 21.41; H, 3.29; N, 63.93.

Synthesis of compound 11. Compound **8** (0.5 g, 2.9 mmol) was dissolved in water and sulfuric acid (10% in water) was added dropwise. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The yellow solid (**11**) was filtered off, washed with water and dried. Isolated yield: (0.39 g, 86%); $T_{dec.} = 152$ °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 12.9 (s, 1H), 8.41 (s, 2H);

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 162.7, 154.8; IR (v, cm⁻¹): 3324, 3199, 1643, 1612, 1521, 1467, 1431, 1323, 1268, 1072, 1010, 980, 868, 816, 750, 705; Elemental analysis: Calcd for C₂H₃N₇O₂: C, 15.29; H, 1.92; N, 62.41. Found: C, 15.28; H, 2.13; N, 63.00.

Synthesis of compound 12. Compound 8 (0.5 g, 2.9 mmol) was dissolved in water and AgNO₃ (0.49 g, 2.9 mmol) was added in portions. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. The red solid was filtered off, washed with water and dried. The dried Ag+ salt was taken in water (50mL) and the solution of N₂H₄.HCl (0.2 g, 2.9 mmol) in water was added. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. The insoluble AgCl was filtered off and the remaining solution was evaporated to give an orange-red powder (12). Isolated yield: (0.35 g, 64%); T_{dec.} = 135 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 7.39 (s, 2H), 7.09 (s, 5H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 163.6, 161.7; IR (\tilde{v} , cm⁻¹): 3319, 3195, 1651, 1527, 1361, 1108, 1071, 964, 940, 891, 769, 573; Elemental analysis: Calcd for C₂H₇N₉O₂: C, 12.70; H, 3.73; N, 66.65. Found: C, 12.67; H, 3.42; N, 66.64.

Synthesis of compound 13. Compound 7 (0.3 g, 1.7 mmol) was dissolved in ethanol (10 mL) and gaseous ammonia until a red precipitate appeared. The red precipitate (**13**) was removed by filtration, washed with ethanol (2 x 10 mL) and dried. Isolated yield: (0.20 g, 63%); $T_{dec.} = 123 \text{ °C}$; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 8.96 (bs, 1H), 7.26 (bs, 4H), 3.56 (bs, 2H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, d₆-DMSO): 163.7, 162.3; IR (\tilde{v} , cm⁻¹): 3321, 3179, 1645, 1526, 1463, 1422, 1354, 1295, 1061, 1026, 977, 883, 848, 772; Elemental analysis: Calcd for C₂H₇N₉O₂: C, 12.70; H, 3.73; N, 66.65. Found: C, 12.75; H, 3.49; N, 66.78.

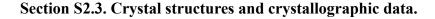
Section S2. X-ray crystallographic details and crystallographic data

Section S2.1. Sample preparation

The single crystals of compounds **5**, $9 \cdot H_2O$ and **11** suitable for single-crystal X-ray analysis were obtained from CH₃OH:H₂O mixtures.

Section S2.2. Data collection

Crystals with suitable dimensions were mounted on a nylon loop with Paratone oil. Data were collected using a XtaLAB Synergy, Dualflex, HyPix diffractometer equipped with an Oxford Cryosystems low-temperature device, operating at T = 99.9(4) K. The structures were solved with the ShelXT³ solution program using dual methods and by using Olex2.⁴ The model was refined with ShelXL⁵ using full matrix least squares minimization on F^2 . The thermal ellipsoids and packing diagrams of X-ray structures in the main article and supplementary material are plotted using Diamond 3.2 software.



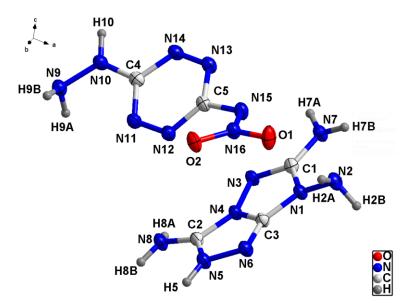


Figure S1: Thermal ellipsoid plot for compound **5**. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level. Data collected at 100 K. CCDC # 2378050.

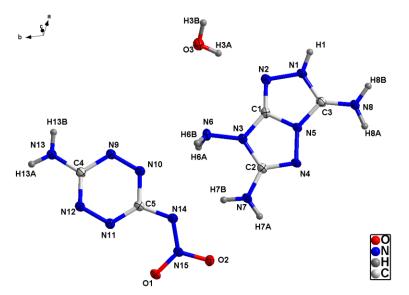


Figure S2: Thermal ellipsoid plot for compound $9 \cdot H_2O$. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level. Data collected at 100 K. CCDC # 2378051.

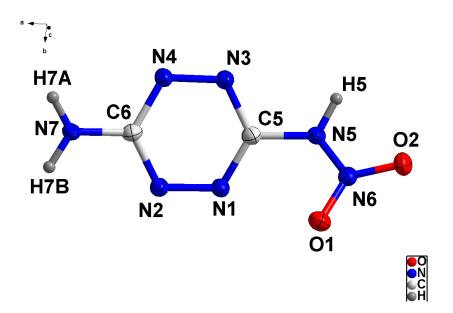


Figure S3: Thermal ellipsoid plot for compound **11**. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability level. Data collected at 100 K. CCDC # 2378052.

Compound	5	9·H2O	11
CCDC #	2378050	2378051	2378052
Formula	$C_5H_{10}N_{16}O_2$	C ₅ H ₁₁ N ₁₅ O ₃	$C_2H_3N_7O_2$
$D_{calc.}$ / g cm ⁻³	1.798	1.805	1.868
<i>m</i> /mm ⁻¹	1.272	1.309	1.433
Formula Weight	326.29	329.29	157.11
Color	reddish yellow	red	yellow
Shape	needle-shaped	prism-shaped	plate-shaped
Size/mm ³	0.35×0.06×0.01	0.18×0.14×0.07	0.14×0.11×0.02
T/K	100.00(10)	99.99(10)	100.00(10)
Crystal System	triclinic	triclinic	orthorhombic
Flack Parameter	-	-	-
Hooft Parameter	-	-	-
Space Group	<i>P</i> -1	<i>P</i> -1	Pbca
a/Å	7.5670(4)	7.8417(3)	9.3390(3)
b/Å	8.0991(5)	8.7831(3)	7.8421(3)
c/Å	10.3845(5)	9.5513(4)	15.2539(6)
$\alpha/^{\circ}$	75.305(5)	102.593(3)	90
$\beta/^{\circ}$	87.190(4)	102.923(3)	90
$\gamma/^{\circ}$	78.201(5)	100.960(3)	90
V/Å ³	602.60(6)	605.70(4)	1117.15(7)
Z	2	2	8
Z'	1	1	1
Wavelength/Å	1.54184	1.54184	1.54184
Radiation type	Cu Ka	Cu Ka	Cu Ka
$Q_{min}/^{\circ}$	4.402	4.937	5.801
$Q_{max}/^{\circ}$	79.562	77.706	78.965
Measured Refl's.	8176	7580	6601
Indep't Refl's	2563	2488	1187
Refl's I $\geq 2 s(I)$	2227	2215	1013
Rint	0.0403	0.0321	0.0399
Parameters	248	252	112
Restraints	0	0	0
Largest Peak	0.314	0.243	0.396
Deepest Hole	-0.346	-0.274	-0.269
GooF	1.052	1.045	1.041
wR_2 (all data)	0.1326	0.1060	0.1494
wR_2	0.1273	0.1027	0.1393
R_1 (all data)	0.0497	0.0410	0.0588
R_1	0.0443	0.0371	0.0518

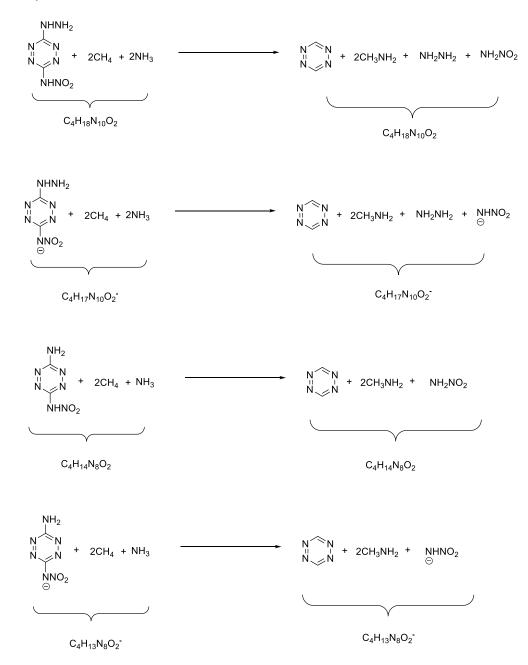
Table S1: Crystallographic data for 5, 9·H₂O and 11.

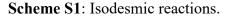
Section S3. Enthalpy of formation

Section S3.1. Isodesmic reactions

The ΔH_f (enthalpy of formation) for new compounds was calculated by using isodesmic reactions

(Scheme S1).





The single crystal structure was used for the geometric optimization and frequency analyses using the B3LYP functional with the 6-31+G** basis set. The single-point energies were obtained at the MP2/6-311++G** level.⁶ The atomization energies for cations were calculated by using the G^2ab *initio* method ⁷ All of the optimized structures were characterized to be true local energy minima on the potential energy surface without imaginary frequencies. In case of the energetic salts, the solid-phase heats of formation were obtained based on a Born–Haber energy cycle.⁸

Section S3.2. Gas-phase enthalpy of formation to solid state enthalpy of formation

The gas state Δ **H**_f of compounds 7 and 11 are 575.1 and 479.3 kJ mol⁻¹, respectively.

All calculated gas-phase enthalpies for covalent materials are converted to solid phase values by subtracting the empirical heat of sublimation obtained based on Trouton's rule.⁹

For 7: ΔH_{sub} (kJ mol⁻¹) = 0.188 · (273+139) = 77.5 kJ mol⁻¹

For $11 : \Delta H_{sub} (kJ \text{ mol}^{-1}) = 0.188 \cdot (273 + 175) = 84.2 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

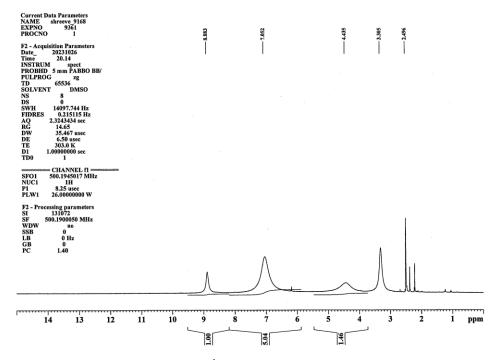
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	$\Delta H_{f}(g) \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$	$\Delta H_{sub} kJ mol^{-1}$	$\Delta H_{\rm f}(s) kJ mol^{-1}$
7	575.1	77.5	497.6
11	479.3	84.2	395.1

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Section S5. Spectral Analysis





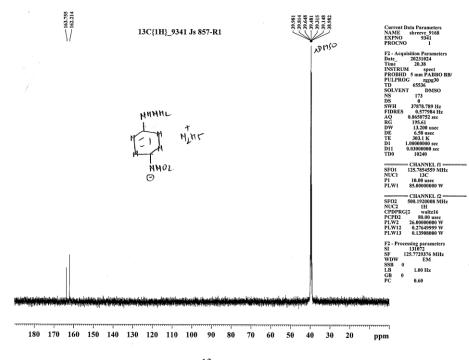


Figure: S5¹³C NMR spectrum of 4.

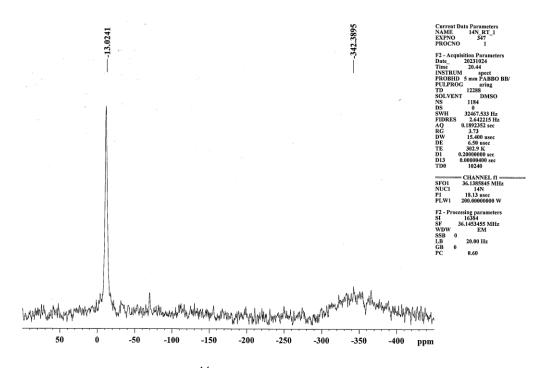


Figure S6: ¹⁴N NMR spectrum of compound 4.

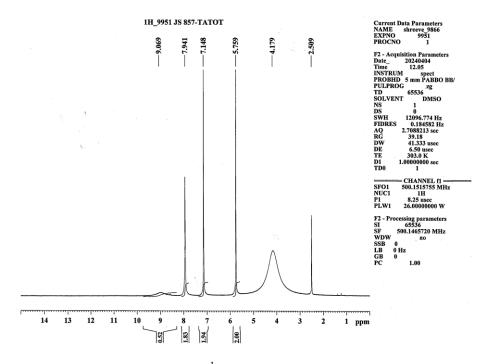


Figure S7: ¹H NMR spectrum of 5.

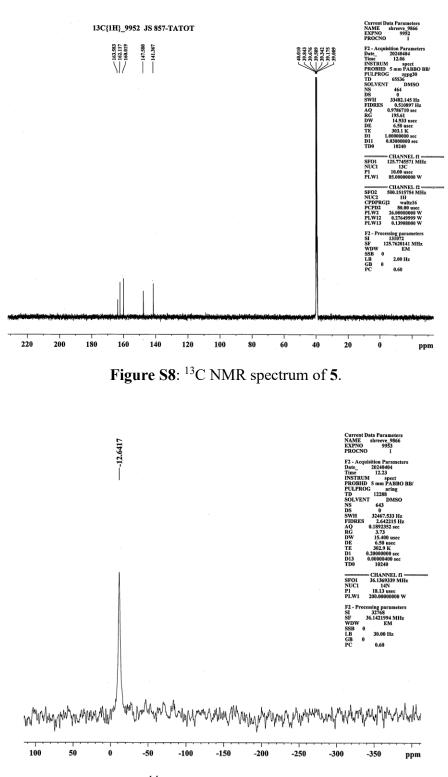


Figure S9: ¹⁴N NMR spectrum of compound **5**.

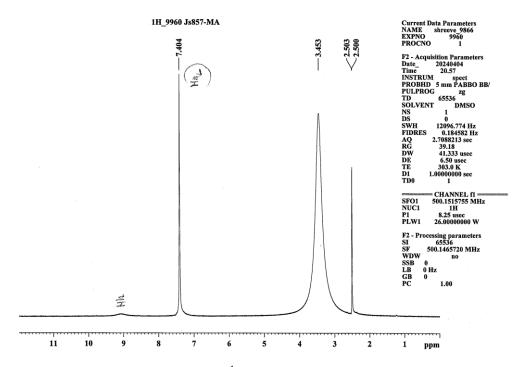


Figure S10: ¹H NMR spectrum of 6.

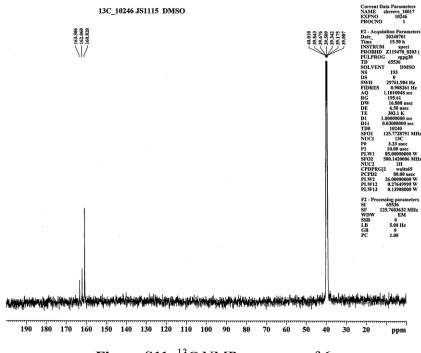
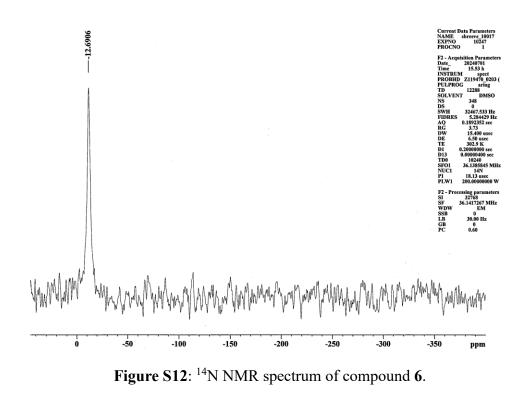


Figure S11: ¹³C NMR spectrum of 6.



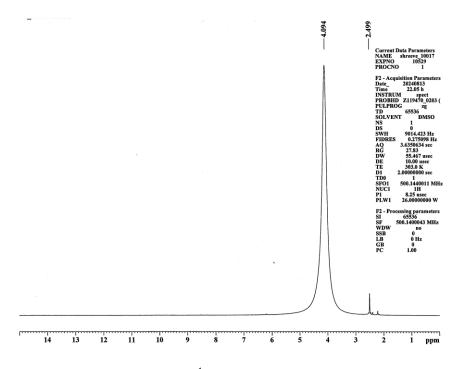


Figure S13: ¹H NMR spectrum of 7.

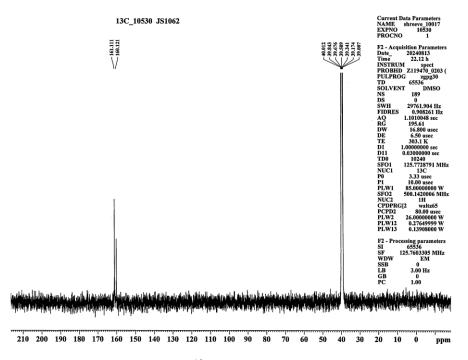


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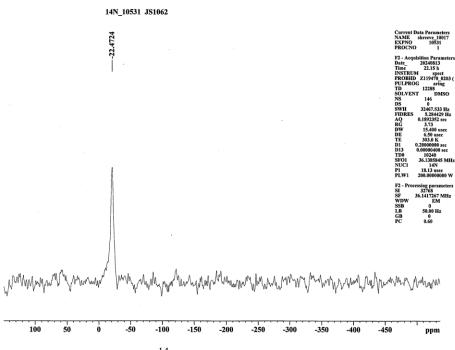


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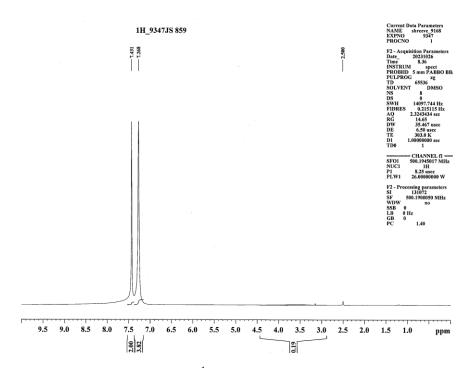


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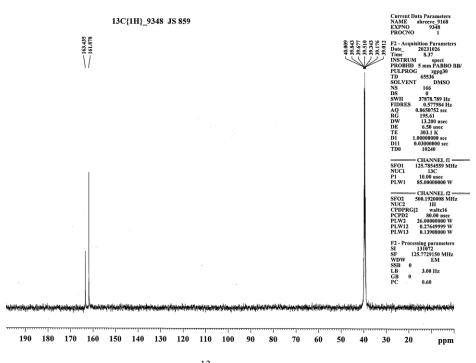


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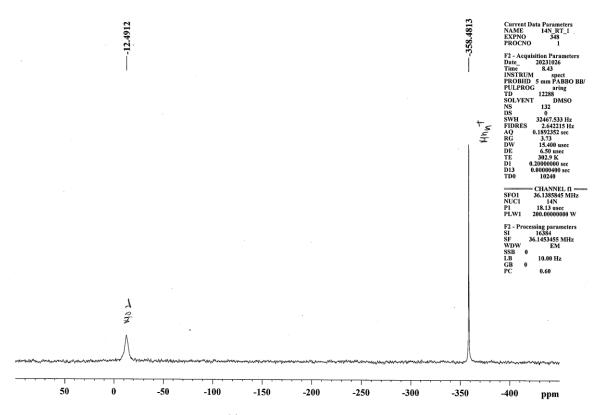


Figure S18: ¹⁴N NMR spectrum of compound 8.

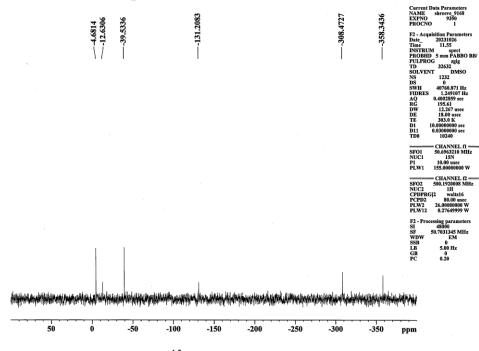


Figure S19: ¹⁵N NMR spectrum of compound 8.

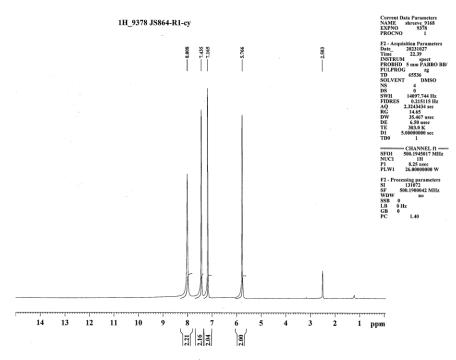


Figure S20: ¹H NMR spectrum of 9.

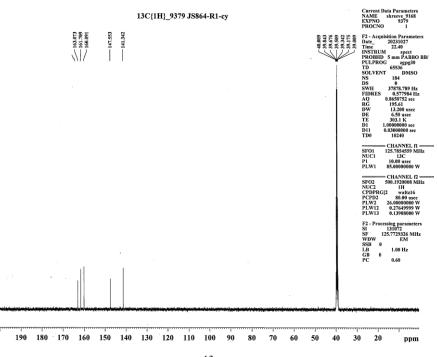


Figure S21: ¹³C NMR spectrum of 9.

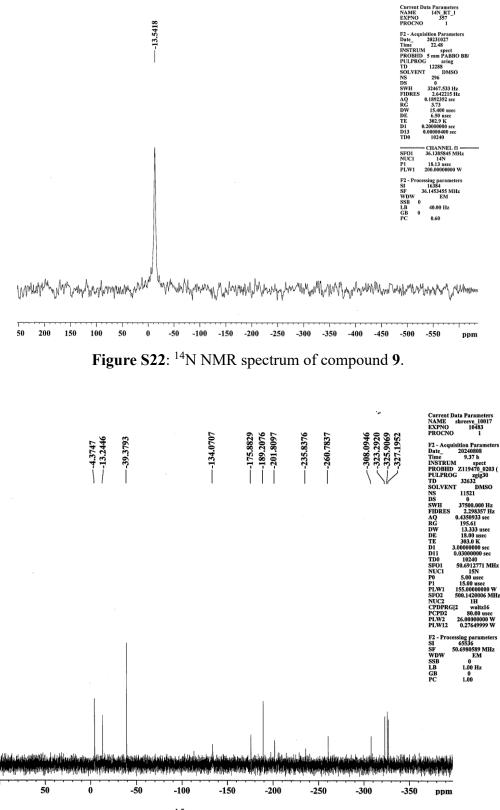


Figure S23: ¹⁵N NMR spectrum of compound 9.

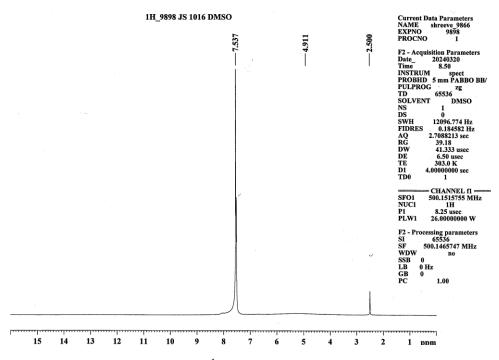


Figure S24: ¹H NMR spectrum of 10.

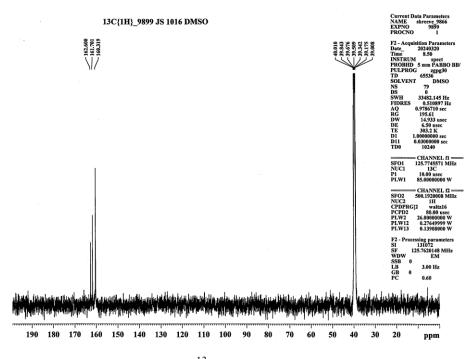
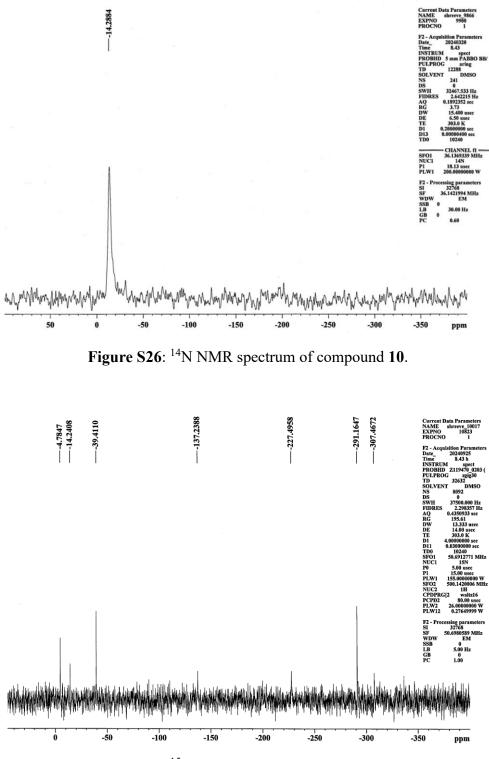
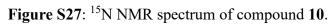


Figure S25: ¹³C NMR spectrum of 10.





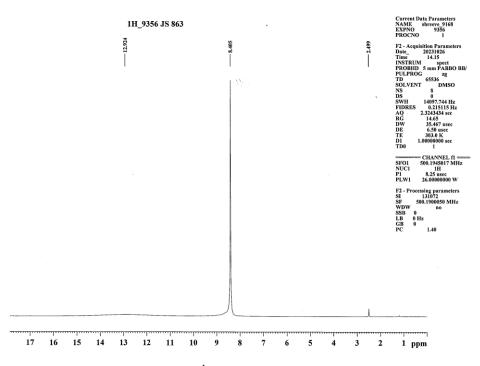


Figure S28: ¹H NMR spectrum of 11.

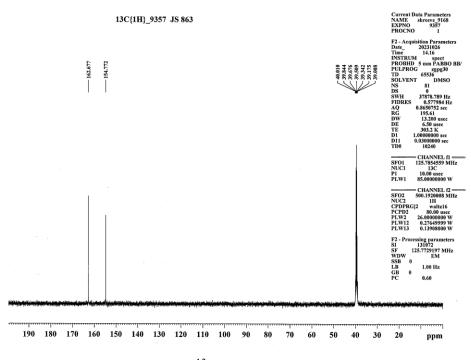
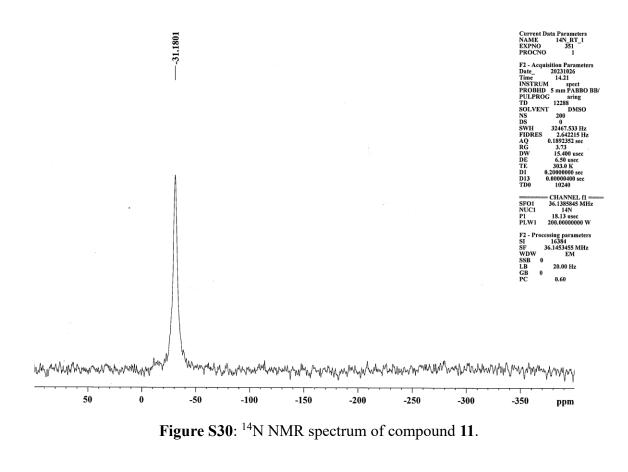


Figure S29: ¹³C NMR spectrum of 11.



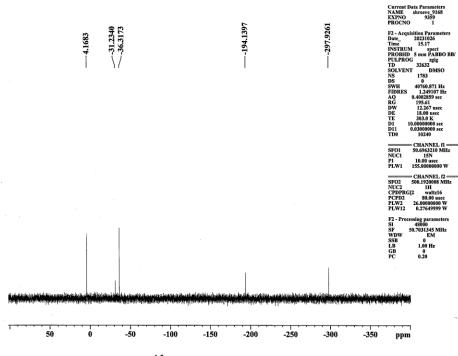


Figure S31: ¹⁵N NMR spectrum of compound 11.

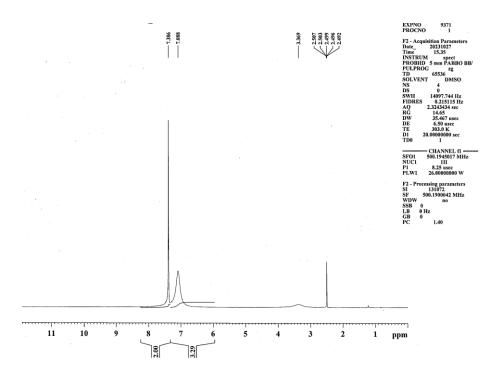


Figure S32: ¹H NMR spectrum of 12.

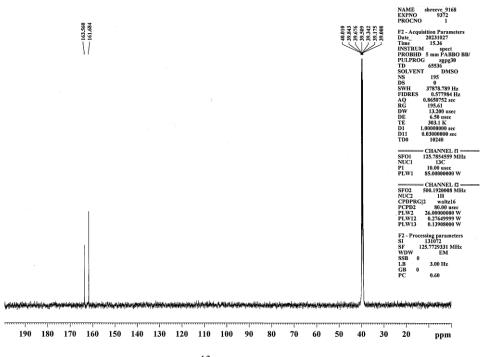


Figure S33: ¹³C NMR spectrum of 12.

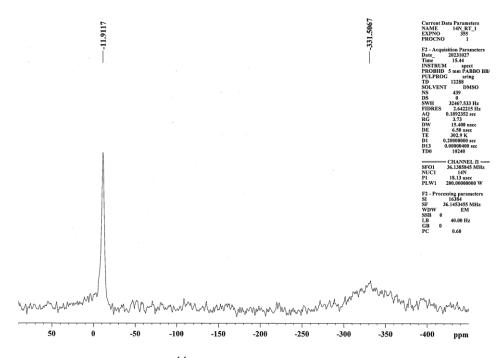


Figure S34: ¹⁴N NMR spectrum of compound 12.

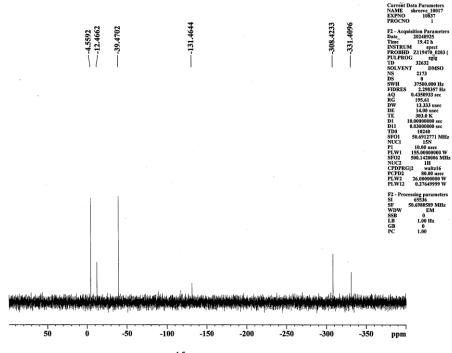


Figure S35: ¹⁵N NMR spectrum of compound 12.

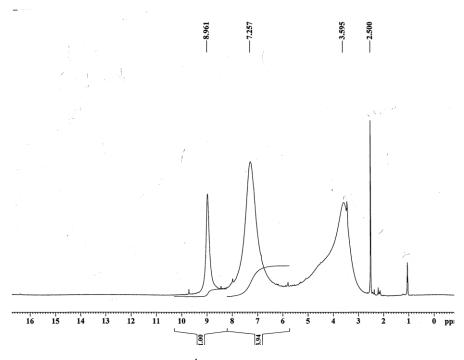


Figure S36: ¹H NMR spectrum of 13.

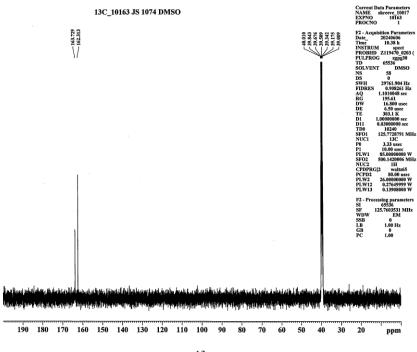


Figure S37: ¹³C NMR spectrum of 13.

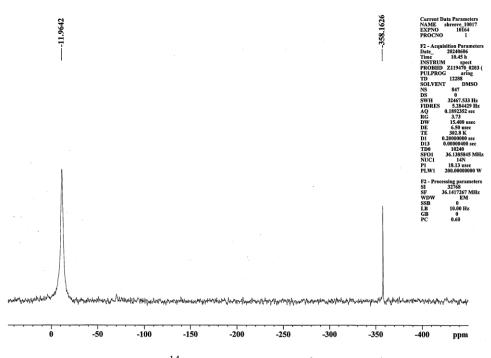


Figure S38: ¹⁴N NMR spectrum of compound 13.

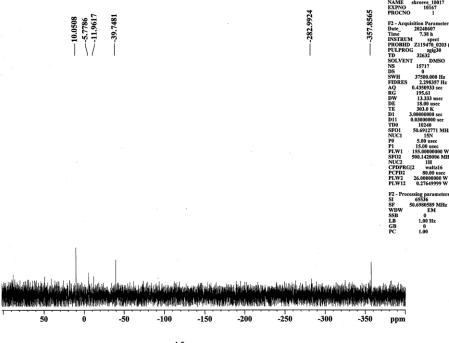


Figure S39: ¹⁵N NMR spectrum of compound 13.