

Supporting Information

Chemical synthesis of C6-tetrazole D-mannose building blocks and access to a bioisostere of mannuronic acid 1-phosphate

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S1. General Experimental

All reagents and solvents which were available commercially were purchased from Acros, Alfa Aesar, Fisher Scientific, Sigma Aldrich or TCI. All reactions in non-aqueous solvents were conducted in oven dried glassware with a magnetic stirring device under an inert atmosphere of nitrogen passed through a drying column using a vacuum manifold. Solvents were purified by passing through activated alumina columns and used directly from a Pure Solv-MD solvent purification system and were transferred under nitrogen. Reactions were followed by thin layer chromatography (TLC) using Merck silica gel 60F254 analytical plates (aluminium support) and were developed using short wave UV radiation (245 nm) and 5% sulfuric acid in methanol/ Δ . Purification *via* flash column chromatography was conducted manually using Sigma Aldrich silica gel 60 (0.043-0.063 mm) under a positive pressure of compressed air or *via* automation using a Büchi Reveleris X2 with pre-packed silica cartridges. Purification *via* strong ion exchange (SAX) chromatography was conducted on a Bio-Rad Biologic LP system using a Bio-Scale Mini UNOsphere Q (strong anion exchange) cartridge (column volume = 5 mL): flow rate (3.0 mL/min), 0 \rightarrow 100% 1.0 M NH_4HCO_3 over 33 min. Optical activities were recorded on an automatic Rudolph Autopol I or Bellingham and Stanley ADP430 polarimeter (concentration in g/100mL). ^1H NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz, ^{13}C NMR spectra at 100 MHz and ^{31}P NMR spectra at 161 MHz respectively using Bruker AV-III spectrometers. ^1H NMR resonances were assigned with the aid of gDQCOSY. ^{13}C NMR resonances were assigned with the aid of gHSQCAD. Coupling constants are reported in Hertz. Chemical shifts (δ , in ppm) are standardised against the deuterated solvent peak. NMR data were analysed using Mestrenova or iNMR software. ^1H NMR splitting patterns were assigned as follows: br. s (broad singlet), s (singlet), d (doublet), dd (doublet of doublets), ddd (doublet of doublet of doublets), app. t (apparent triplet), t (triplet), quartet (q) or m (multiplet and/or multiple resonances). HRMS (ESI) were obtained on Agilent 6530 Q-TOF, LQT Orbitrap XL1 or Waters (Xevo, G2-XS TOF or G2-S ASAP) Micromass LCT spectrometers using a methanol mobile phase in positive/negative ionisation modes, as appropriate.

S2. Experimental procedures for compounds 2-21

S2.1. 3-Propionitrile (phenyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside) amide 2

To a stirred solution of **1** (100 mg, 0.21 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), PyBOP (280 mg, 0.53 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) and DIPEA (75 μ L, $d = 0.742$, 0.43 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) in CH_2Cl_2 (2 mL), was added 3-aminopropionitrile (24 μ L, $d = 0.952$, 0.32 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) in CH_2Cl_2 (0.1 mL) at 0 °C. The mixture was left stirring for 40 min. and was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL). The organic layer was washed 1.0 M aq. HCl (2 x 10 mL), sat. aq. NaHCO_3 solution (2 x 10 mL) and brine (10 mL), dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification using silica gel flash column chromatography, eluting with EtOAc/toluene (0/100, 5/95, 10/90, 20/80) afforded **2** as a white solid (51 mg, 0.1 mmol, 47%). R_f 0.29 (EtOAc/toluene, 3/7); $[\alpha]_D^{22} +56.4$ (c. 7.5, CHCl_3); mp: 102-105 °C; **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (400 MHz; CDCl_3) δ 7.40 – 7.29 (15 H, m, Ar-H), 6.87 (1 H, t, $J = 6.1$ Hz, $\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 5.45 (1 H, d, $J = 1.5$ Hz, H_1), 4.88 (1 H, d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.72 (1 H, d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.68 (1 H, d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.64 (1 H, d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.53 (1 H, d, $J = 9.8$ Hz, H_5), 4.38 (1 H, s, C4-OH), 4.26 (1 H, app. t, $J = 9.5$ Hz, H_4), 3.94 (1 H, dd, $J = 2.8, 1.8$ Hz, H_2), 3.77 (1 H, dd, $J = 9.3, 3.0$ Hz, H_3), 3.64 (1 H, td, $J = 12.6, 6.2$ Hz, $\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 3.39 (1 H, ddt, $J = 13.8, 7.8, 5.9$ Hz, $\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CN}$), 2.66 (1 H, dd, $J = 11.7, 5.0$ Hz, $\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CN}$), 2.61 – 2.51 (1 H, m, $\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$); **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (101 MHz; CDCl_3) δ 172.1 ($\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 138.4 (C_q), 137.8 (C_q), 132.8 (C_q), 132.4, 129.4, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 127.8, 127.7, 117.4 ($\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 86.8 (C1), 78.5 (C3), 77.2 (C2), 73.3 (CH_2Ph), 73.1 (CH_2Ph), 70.9 (C5), 69.8 (C4), 35.1 ($\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 18.3 ($\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$); **HRMS** (ES^+) m/z [Found: ($\text{M}+\text{NH}_4$) $^+$ 536.2217 $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{34}\text{N}_3\text{O}_5\text{S}$ requires ($\text{M}+\text{NH}_4$) $^+$, 536.2219]; **IR** $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3401 (w, N-H_{amide}), 2249 (w, $\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 1655, 1530 (s, $\text{C}=\text{O}_{\text{amide}}$), 1496, 1454 (m, $\text{C}=\text{C}_{\text{aromatic}}$), 1102 (C-N).

S2.1.1. Elimination by-product 3

Elimination by-product **3** was isolated from the crude mixture containing **2** and as a colourless oil (46 mg, 90 μ mol, 44%). R_f 0.32 (EtOAc/toluene, 3/7); $[\alpha]_D^{22} +72.0$ (c. 7.5, CHCl_3); **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (400 MHz; CDCl_3) δ 7.49 – 7.28 (15 H, m, Ar-H), 6.73 (1 H, t, $J = 6.2$ Hz, $\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 6.23 (1 H, dd, $J = 3.5, 0.9$ Hz, H_4), 5.59 (1 H, d, $J = 5.3$ Hz, H_1), 4.70 (1 H, d, $J = 12.1$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.69 (1 H, d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.64 (1 H, d, $J = 12.1$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.60 (1 H, d, $J = 11.9$ CH_2Ph), 4.29 (1 H, app. t, $J = 3.8$ Hz, H_3), 3.85 (1 H, ddd, $J = 5.1, 4.1, 0.9$ Hz, H_2), 3.62 – 3.43 (2 H, m, $\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 2.69 – 2.52 (2 H, m, $\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$); **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (101 MHz; CDCl_3) δ 161.5 ($\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 143.6 (C5), 137.8 (C_q), 137.5 (C_q), 133.4 (C_q), 131.9, 129.4, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 117.9 ($\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 106.1 (C4), 85.1 (C1), 72.81 (C2), 72.5 (CH_2Ph), 71.2 (CH_2Ph), 68.3 (C3), 35.6 ($\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 18.2 ($\text{C(O)N(H)CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$); **HRMS** (ES^+) m/z [Found:

(M+NH₄)⁺ 518.2115 C₂₉H₃₂N₃O₄S requires (M+NH₄)⁺, 518.2114]; **IR** $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3354 (w, N-H_{amide}), 2248 (w, C≡N), 1655, 1517 (s, C=O_{amide}), 1454 (m, C=C_{aromatic}), 1057 (C-N).

S2.2. 3-propionitrile (phenyl 4-O-tert-butyl dimethylsilyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside) amide **4**

To a mixture of **2** (50 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), imidazole (20 mg, 0.29 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) and DMAP (5.9 mg, 50 μmol , 0.5 equiv.) in DMF (1 mL) was added TBDMSOTf (66 μL , $d = 1.151$, 0.29 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) dropwise. The reaction mixture was left stirring overnight at room temperature and was quenched with H₂O (0.1 mL). The mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure, and the remaining crude was reconstituted in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) and H₂O (5 mL). The organic layer was washed, separated, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to furnish a colourless oil. Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography, eluting with EtOAc/hexane (0/100, 10/90, 20/80) afforded **4** as a white solid (50 mg, 79 μmol , 80%). R_f 0.46 (EtOAc/hexane, 1/2); $[\alpha]_D^{26} +14.0$ (c . 1.0, CHCl₃); mp: 119-122 °C; **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 7.67 – 7.23 (15 H, m, Ar-H), 6.29 (1 H, t, $J = 6.1$ Hz, C(O)N(H)CH₂CH₂C≡N), 5.35 (1 H, d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, H₁), 4.57 (1 H, d, $J = 12.1$ Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.56 (1 H, d, $J = 11.8$ Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.50 (1 H, app. t, $J = 3.4$ Hz, H₄), 4.49 (1 H, d, $J = 11.8$ Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.47 (1 H, d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.19 (1 H, d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, H₅), 3.81 (1 H, dd, $J = 7.3, 2.6$ Hz, H₂), 3.56 (1 H, dd, $J = 5.2, 2.6$ Hz, H₃), 3.28 (1 H, dq, $J = 13.1, 6.6$ Hz, C(O)N(H)CH₂CH₂C≡N), 3.19 (1 H, td, $J = 13.2, 6.5$ Hz, C(O)N(H)CH₂CH₂C≡N), 2.31 (1 H, dt, $J = 16.6, 6.6$ Hz, C(O)N(H)CH₂CH₂C≡N), 2.25 – 2.12 (1 H, m, C(O)N(H)CH₂CH₂C≡N), 0.80 (9 H, s, C(CH₃)₃), 0.00 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂), -0.08 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 169.3 (C(O)N(H)CH₂CH₂C≡N), 137.9 (C_q), 137.8 (C_q), 133.5 (C_q), 133.0, 129.2, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 117.6 (C(O)N(H)CH₂CH₂C≡N), 84.1 (C1), 77.5 (C5), 74.2 (C2), 72.4 (CH₂Ph), 72.4 (CH₂Ph), 68.7 (C4), 35.3 (C(O)N(H)CH₂CH₂C≡N), 25.8 (C(CH₃)₃), 18.0 (C(CH₃)₃), -4.8 (Si(CH₃)₂), -5.0 (Si(CH₃)₂); **HRMS** (ES⁺) m/z [Found: (M+NH₄)⁺ 650.3082 C₃₅H₄₈N₃O₅SSi requires (M+NH₄)⁺, 650.3078]; **IR** $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3217 (w, N-H_{amide}), 2255 (w, C≡N), 1678, 1659 (s, C=O_{amide}), 1496, 1455 (m, C=C_{aromatic}), 1243 (s, Si-C), 1096 (s, C-N), 1068 (s, Si-O).

S2.3. Phenyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyl dimethylsilyl-6-C-(1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside **5**

Propionitrile **4** (60 mg, 0.11 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in toluene (10 mL) and TMSN₃ (84 μL , $d = 0.872$, 0.64 mmol, 6.0 equiv.) and Bu₂SnO (11 mg, 43 μmol , 0.4 equiv.) were added. The mixture was heated to 120 °C and stirred for 16 h. Upon completion, the mixture was cooled down to room temperature, diluted with EtOAc (50 mL) and washed with 0.1 M aq. HCl solution (50 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification of this crude material by silica gel flash column chromatography, eluting with MeOH/CH₂Cl₂ (0/100,

1/99, 2/98) afforded **5** as a brown oil (34 mg, 56 μ mol, 51%). R_f 0.71 (MeOH/CH₂Cl₂, 1/2); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +88.7 (c. 1.75, CHCl₃); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 7.47 – 7.26 (15 H, m, Ar-H), 5.64 (1 H, d, J = 8.9 Hz, H₅), 5.54 (1 H, d, J = 1.8 Hz, H₁), 4.74 (1 H, d, J = 11.7 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.73 (1 H, d, J = 11.8 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.69 (1 H, d, J = 11.7 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.65 (1 H, d, J = 11.8 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.41 (1 H, app. t, J = 8.8 Hz, H₄), 4.09 (1 H, app. t, J = 2.6 Hz, H₂), 3.84 (1 H, dd, J = 8.6, 2.8 Hz, H₃), 0.78 (9 H, s, C(CH₃)₃), 0.00 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂), -0.41 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 155.8 (C_q tetrazole), 137.6 (C_q), 137.1 (C_q), 132.8 (C_q), 132.2, 129.2, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 86.8 (C1), 79.7 (C3), 76.5 (C2), 73.3 (CH₂Ph), 72.7 (CH₂Ph), 71.0 (C4), 68.5 (C5), 25.6 (C(CH₃)₃), 17.9 (C(CH₃)₃), -4.3 (Si(CH₃)₂), -5.9 (Si(CH₃)₂); **HRMS** (ES⁺) m/z [Found: (M+H)⁺ 605.2628 C₃₂H₄₁N₄O₄SSi requires (M+H)⁺, 605.2618].

S2.4. Phenyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyl dimethylsilyl-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside **7**

S2.4.1. Phenyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-6-O-benzoyl-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside

To a stirred solution of **6**¹ (1.0 g, 2.21 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), pyridine (357 μ L, d = 0.978, 4.42 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), DMAP (81 mg, 0.7 mmol, 0.3 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was added BzCl dropwise (269 μ L, d = 1.211, 2.32 mmol, 1.05 equiv.) at 0 °C. The reaction was left stirring overnight at room temperature, and diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL). The mixture was washed with 1.0 M aq. HCl (10 mL), sat. aq. NaHCO₃ (10 mL) and brine (10 mL). The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude product. Purification by Reveleris[®] automated silica gel flash column chromatography (liquid injection onto column), eluting with EtOAc/hexane (0/100, 5/95 and 10/90) afforded phenyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-6-O-benzoyl-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside as a colourless oil (1.1 g, 2.0 mmol, 90%). R_f 0.37 (EtOAc/hexane, 1/2); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +48.2 (c. 7.5, CHCl₃); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 8.03 – 7.19 (20 H, m, Ar-H), 5.65 (1 H, d, J = 1.3 Hz, H₁), 4.69 (1 H, d, J = 12.1 Hz, CH₂Ph-attached to C2), 4.65 – 4.59 (2 H, m, H_{6a,b}), 4.61 (1 H, d, J = 12.7 Hz, CH₂Ph-attached to C2), 4.55 (1 H, d, J = 10.5 Hz, CH₂Ph-attached to C3), 4.52 (1 H, d, J = 10.1 Hz, CH₂Ph-attached to C3), 4.43 (1 H, dt, J = 9.6, 3.9 Hz, H₅), 4.15 (1 H, dd, J = 9.6 Hz, H₄), 4.04 (1 H, dd, J = 3.0, 1.6 Hz, H₂), 3.73 (1 H, dd, J = 9.5, 3.0 Hz, H₃), 2.64 (1 H, br. s, C4-OH); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 166.7 (C(O)Ph), 137.8 (C_q), 137.7 (C_q), 134.1 (C_q), 133.0 (C_q), 131.5, 130.1, 129.8, 129.1, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.5, 85.7 (C1), 79.6 (C3), 75.7 (C2), 72.1 (CH₂Ph), 71.9 (CH₂Ph), 71.7 (C5), 66.9 (C4), 64.1 (C6); **HRMS** (ES⁺) m/z [Found: (M+NH₄)⁺ 574.2257 C₃₃H₃₂O₆SNH₄ requires (M+NH₄)⁺, 574.2258]; **IR** ν_{max}/cm^{-1} 3477 (br. s, C4-OH), 1718 (s, C=O_{ester}), 1273 (s, C-O_{ester}), 1070 (s, C-O_{ether}), 1025 (s, C-OH).

S2.4.2. Phenyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyl dimethylsilyl-6-O-benzoyl-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside

To a mixture of phenyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-6-O-benzoyl-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside (900 mg, 1.62 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), imidazole (330 mg, 4.85 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) and DMAP

(99 mg, 0.81 mmol, 0.5 equiv.) in DMF (10 mL) was added TBDMSOTf (1.1 mL, d = 1.151, 4.85 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) dropwise. The reaction mixture was left stirring overnight at room temperature and was quenched with H₂O (2 mL). The mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure, and the remaining crude was reconstituted in CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) and H₂O (30 mL). The organic layer was washed, separated, dried over MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to furnish a colourless oil. Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography, eluting with EtOAc/hexane (0/100, 5/95, 10/90) afforded phenyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl-6-O-benzoyl-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside, as a colourless oil (846 mg, 1.27 mmol, 78%). R_f 0.75 (EtOAc/hexane, 1/2); [α]_D²⁶ +57.8 (c. 1.37, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 7.96 – 7.10 (20 H, m, Ar-H), 5.54 (1 H, d, *J* = 1.7, H₁), 4.61 (1 H, dd, *J* = 11.6, 1.8 Hz, H_{6b}), 4.57 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.57 (1 H, s, *J* = 11.9 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.52 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.8 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.50 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.39 (1 H, dd, *J* = 11.6, 5.8 Hz, H_{6a}), 4.35 – 4.29 (1 H, m, H₅), 4.19 (1 H, t, *J* = 9.1 Hz, H₄), 3.91 (1 H, dd, *J* = 2.7, 2.0 Hz, H₂), 3.61 (1 H, dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.9 Hz, H₃), 0.82 (9 H, s, C(CH₃)₃), 0.00 (6 H, d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, Si(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 166.4 (C(O)Ph), 138.1 (C_q), 138.1 (C_q), 132.8 (C_q), 131.3 (C_q), 130.1, 129.7, 129.0, 128.3, 128.3, 127.9, 127.6, 127.6, 127.5, 127.3, 85.7 (C1), 80.3 (C3), 76.2 (C2), 72.6 (C5), 72.1 (CH₂Ph), 71.8 (CH₂Ph), 68.2 (C4), 64.2 (C6), 26.0 (C(CH₃)₃), 18.2 (C(CH₃)₃), -3.8 (Si(CH₃)₂), -5.0 (Si(CH₃)₂); HRMS (ES⁺) *m/z* [Found: (M+NH₄)⁺ 688.3127 C₃₉H₅₀NO₆SSi requires (M+NH₄)⁺, 688.3123]; IR ν_{max} /cm⁻¹ 1713 (s, C=O_{ester}), 1276 (m, C-O_{ester}), 1253 (m, Si-C), 1096 (s, Si-O), 1024 (m, C-O_{ether}).

S2.4.3. Phenyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-*tert*-butyl dimethylsilyl-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside 7

To a stirred solution of phenyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl-6-O-benzoyl-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside (800 mg, 1.19 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in anhydrous MeOH and THF (7 mL, 1/1 v/v), Na (14 mg, 0.60 mmol, 0.5 equiv.) dissolved in anhydrous MeOH (2 mL) was added dropwise at room temperature. The mixture was stirred overnight, then neutralised with ion exchange Amberlite 120 (H⁺) resin (approximately 0.7 g, 10 min), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography, eluting with Et₂O/hexane (0/100, 5/95, 10/90) afforded **7** as a colourless oil (596 mg, 1.07 mmol, 90%). R_f 0.69 (EtOAc/hexane, 1/2); [α]_D²⁶ +81.3 (c. 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 7.35 – 7.13 (15 H, m, Ar-H), 5.37 (1 H, d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, H₁), 4.51 (2 H, d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.49 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.8 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.44 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.02 – 3.96 (1 H, m, H₄), 3.96 – 3.91 (1 H, m, H₅), 3.82 (1 H, dd, *J* = 2.8, 2.0 Hz, H₂), 3.72 (1 H, ddd, *J* = 11.5, 6.6, 2.4 Hz, H_{6b}), 3.64 (1 H, ddd, *J* = 11.6, 6.5, 5.2 Hz, H_{6a}), 3.53 (1 H, dd, *J* = 8.4, 2.9 Hz, H₃), 1.70 (1 H, t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, C6-OH), 0.78 (9 H, s, C(CH₃)₃), 0.00 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂), -0.05 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 138.1 (C_q), 138.0 (C_q), 134.0 (C_q), 132.0, 129.1, 128.4, 128.3, 127.9, 127.7, 127.7, 127.6, 86.2 (C1), 80.4 (C3), 76.4 (C2), 74.8 (C5), 72.5 (CH₂Ph), 72.0 (CH₂Ph), 67.9 (C4), 62.2 (C6), 26.0 (C(CH₃)₃), 18.2 (C(CH₃)₃), -3.8 (Si(CH₃)₂), -4.9

(Si(CH₃)₂); **HRMS** (ES⁺) *m/z* [Found: (M+NH₄)⁺ 584.2875 C₃₂H₄₆NO₅SSi requires (M+NH₄)⁺, 584.2850]; **IR** ν_{\max} /cm⁻¹ 1454 (w, C=C_{aromatic}), 1248 (m, C-Si), 1084 (s, Si-O).

S2.5. C-6 oxime thioglycoside **8**

S2.5.1. C6-aldehyde thioglycoside intermediate

To a stirred solution of **7** (60 mg, 0.11 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in DMSO (1 mL) was added Et₃N (44 μ L, *d* = 0.726, 0.32 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) and sulfur trioxide pyridine complex (51 mg, 0.32 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was left stirring for 1 h before it was diluted with EtOAc (30 mL) and H₂O (20 mL). The whole was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 15 mL) and the extracts were washed with H₂O (6 x 20 mL) and brine (20 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude aldehyde was obtained as a colourless oil (60 mg, 0.11 mmol, 98%) and was used immediately in the next step, without further purification. *R*_f 0.684 (EtOAc/hexane, 1/2); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -14.4 (c. 0.33, CHCl₃); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 9.77 (1 H, s, CHO), 7.56 – 7.25 (15 H, m, Ar-H), 5.56 (1 H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, H₁), 4.57 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.52 (2 H, s, CH₂Ph), 4.43 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.26 – 4.20 (2 H, m, H₄, H₅), 3.83 (1 H, dd, *J* = 6.2, 2.3 Hz, H₂), 3.60 (1 H, dd, *J* = 5.8, 2.5 Hz, H₃), 0.82 (9 H, s, C(CH₃)₃), 0.00 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂), -0.07 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 198.0 (CHO), 137.8 (C_q), 137.6 (C_q), 133.5 (C_q), 132.4, 131.8, 129.0, 128.5, 128.4, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.5, 83.8 (C1), 81.15 (C5), 77.2 (C3), 73.8 (C2), 72.5 (CH₂Ph), 72.3 (CH₂Ph), 68.9 (C4), 25.7 (C(CH₃)₃), 18.0 (C(CH₃)₃), -4.6 (Si(CH₃)₂), -5.0 (Si(CH₃)₂); **HRMS** (ES⁺) *m/z* [Found: (M+NH₄)⁺ 582.2723 C₃₂H₄₄NO₅SSi requires (M+NH₄)⁺, 582.2704].

S2.5.2. C-6 oxime thioglycoside **8**

The crude C-6 aldehyde (4.5 g, 7.97 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in THF (790 mL) and a solution of H₂NOH.HCl (554 mg, 7.97 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) dissolved in H₂O (15 mL) was added dropwise. The mixture was cooled to 0 °C and a solution of Na₂CO₃ (1.0 g, 9.56 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) dissolved in H₂O (9.5 mL) was added dropwise. The solution was slowly warmed to room temperature and stirred for 24 h. The mixture was diluted with H₂O (30 mL) and then extracted with EtOAc (4 x 300 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The obtained crude oil was purified using silica gel flash column chromatography, eluting with Et₂O/petroleum ether (0/100, 5/95, 10/90, 20/80) to furnish **8** as a colourless oil. *Cis* and *trans* (1/6.7) were isolated separately (major isomer: 2.82 g, 4.86 mmol, 71%, minor isomer: 416 mg, 0.72 mmol, 9%) and both were used in the next step; Major isomer *R*_f 0.78; minor isomer *R*_f 0.68; (EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1/2); major: $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +57.7 (c. 0.46, CHCl₃); minor: $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +41.3 (c. 1.0, CHCl₃); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) Major isomer δ 7.46 – 7.17 (16 H, m, Ar-H, HC=N), 5.40 (1 H, d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, H₁), 4.58 (1 H, d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.57 (1 H, m, H₅), 4.55 (1 H, d, *J* = 10.1 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.54 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.4

Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.50 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.06 (1 H, app. t, *J* = 9.0 Hz, H₄), 3.89 – 3.86 (1 H, m, H₂), 3.59 (1 H, dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.9 Hz, H₃), 0.81 (9 H, s, C(CH₃)₃), 0.00 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂), -0.01 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 149.3 (HC=N), 138.1 (C_q), 137.9 (C_q), 134.0 (C_q), 131.9, 129.1, 128.4, 128.4, 127.9, 127.85, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 86.3 (C1), 79.8 (C3), 76.3 (C2), 72.5 (C5), 72.5 (CH₂Ph), 72.2 (CH₂Ph), 69.8 (C4), 25.8 (C(CH₃)₃), 18.1 (C(CH₃)₃), -4.0 (Si(CH₃)₂), -4.6 (Si(CH₃)₂); **HRMS** (ES⁺) *m/z* [Found: (M+NH₄)⁺ 597.2815 C₃₂H₄₅N₂O₅SSi requires (M+NH₄)⁺, 597.2813].

S2.6. C-6 nitrile thioglycoside 9

Oxime **8** (120 mg, 0.21 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in dry acetonitrile (21 mL) and POCl₃ (19 μL, *d* = 1.645, 0.21 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added at room temperature. The solution was stirred for 5 min. at room temperature, heated up to 65 °C and then stirred for 3 h. The reaction was quenched with sat. aq. NaHCO₃ solution (20 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 60 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified using silica gel flash column chromatography, eluting with Et₂O/petroleum ether (0/100, 5/95, 10/90, 20/80) to furnish **9** as a yellow oil (47 mg, 84 μmol, 40%). *R*_f 0.90 (EtOAc/hexane, 1/2); [α]_D²² +39.4 (c. 0.53, CHCl₃); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 7.44 – 7.21 (15 H, m, Ar-H), 5.45 (1 H, d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, H₁), 4.76 (1 H, d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, H₅), 4.60 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.58 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.1 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.55 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.1 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.53 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.21 (1 H, app. t, *J* = 8.2 Hz, H₄), 3.84 (1 H, app. t, *J* = 2.9 Hz, H₂), 3.49 (1 H, dd, *J* = 8.2, 2.9 Hz, H₃), 0.89 (9 H, s, C(CH₃)₃), 0.18 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂), 0.05 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 137.5 (C_q), 137.1 (C_q), 132.9 (C_q), 131.5, 129.4, 129.3, 129.1, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.9, 127.6, 127.2, 124.4, 117.0 (C≡N), 85.9 (C1), 78.8 (C3), 75.3 (C2), 72.6 (CH₂Ph), 72.5 (CH₂Ph), 69.4 (C4), 64.7 (C5), 25.8 (C(CH₃)₃), 18.0 (C(CH₃)₃), -4.1 (Si(CH₃)₂), -4.8 (Si(CH₃)₂); **HRMS** (ES⁺) *m/z* [Found: (M+NH₄)⁺ 579.2732 C₃₂H₄₃N₂O₄SSi requires (M+NH₄)⁺, 579.2707].

S2.6.1. 4-postion deprotected by-product 10

Alcohol **10** was also isolated as a yellow oil (24 mg, 54 μmol, 26%) from the crude mixture containing **9**. *R*_f 0.82 (EtOAc/hexane, 1/2); [α]_D²² +15.4 (c. 0.95, CHCl₃); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 7.41 – 7.28 (15 H, m, Ar-H), 5.51 (1 H, d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, H₁), 4.87 (1 H, d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, H₅), 4.66 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.60 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.57 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.55 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.8 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.32 (1 H, app. t, *J* = 9.6 Hz, H₄), 3.96 (1 H, dd, *J* = 2.7, 2.0 Hz, H₂), 3.57 (1 H, dd, *J* = 9.3, 2.9 Hz, H₃), 2.92 (1 H, br. s, C4-OH); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 137.3 (C_q), 137.2 (C_q), 132.7 (C_q), 131.5, 129.4, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 128.3, 128.1, 128.0, 128.0, 116.6 (C≡N), 86.6 (C1), 78.4 (C3), 75.4 (C2), 72.5 (CH₂Ph), 72.4 (CH₂Ph), 68.3 (C4), 63.1 (C3); **HRMS** (ES⁺) *m/z* [Found: (M+NH₄)⁺ 465.1857 C₂₆H₂₉N₂O₄S requires (M+NH₄)⁺, 465.1843].

S2.7. PMB-protected C-6 tetrazole thioglycosides **11** and **12**

To a stirred solution of **5** (130 mg, 0.21 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in DMF (2 mL) was added successively, KI (53 mg, 0.32 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), K₂CO₃ (44 mg, 0.32 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) and PMBCl (58 μ L, *d* = 1.155, 0.43 mmol, 2.0 equiv.). The reaction was left stirring for 4 h and was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL). The organic layer was washed with 10% aq. Na₂S₂O₃ solution (10 mL) and brine (10 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified using silica gel flash column chromatography, eluting with acetone/toluene (1/250, 1/150, 1/100) to furnish isomers **11** and **12** (80 mg, 0.11 mmol, 53%) as oils.

S2.7.1. Phenyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyl dimethylsilyl-6-C-(1-para-methoxybenzyl- -tetrazol-5-yl)-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside **11**

N₁-regioisomer **11** was isolated as a yellow oil (42 mg, 58 μ mol, 28%). R_f 0.42 (acetone/toluene, 1/50); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +25.4 (c. 0.53, CHCl₃); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 7.56 – 7.39 (16 H, m, Ar-H), 7.36 (2 H, d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, Ar-H PMB), 6.82 (2 H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, Ar-H PMB), 5.76 (1 H, d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, H₁), 5.68 (1 H, d, *J* = 9.4 Hz, H₅), 5.66 (1 H, d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, CH₂Ph-PMB), 5.63 (1 H, d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, CH₂Ph-PMB), 4.83 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, CH₂Ph-attached to C2), 4.81 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, CH₂Ph-attached to C3), 4.78 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.1 Hz, CH₂Ph-attached to C2), 4.75 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.7 Hz, CH₂Ph-attached to C3), 4.59 (1 H, app. t, *J* = 9.4 Hz, H₄), 4.22 – 4.19 (1 H, m, H₂), 3.87 (3 H, s, OCH₃), 3.86 – 3.84 (1 H, m, H₃), 0.79 (9 H, s, C(CH₃)₃), 0.00 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂), -0.53 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 159.7 (C_q PMB), 152.0 (C_q tetrazole), 137.8 (C_q), 137.5 (C_q), 133.5 (C_q), 131.1 (C_q), 129.9, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 125.7, 114.1, 86.5 (C1), 80.1 (C3), 76.4 (C2), 72.9 (CH₂Ph-attached to C2), 72.1 (CH₂Ph-attached to C3), 70.0 (C4), 67.7 (C5), 55.2 (CH₂Ph PMB), 50.8 (OCH₃), 25.6 (C(CH₃)₃), 17.8 (C(CH₃)₃), -4.5 (Si(CH₃)₂), -6.1 (Si(CH₃)₂); **¹³C-GATED** (101 MHz; CDCl₃): 86.5 (¹J_{C1-H1} = 172 Hz, C1); **HRMS** (ES⁺) *m/z* [Found: (M+H)⁺ 725.3177 C₄₀H₄₉N₄O₅SSi requires (M+H)⁺, 725.3187].

S2.7.2. Phenyl 2,3-di-O-benzyl-4-O-tert-butyl dimethylsilyl-6-C-(2-para-methoxybenzyl- tetrazol-5-yl)-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside **12**

N₁-regioisomer **12** was isolated as a yellow oil (38 mg, 52 μ mol, 25%). R_f 0.48 (acetone/toluene, 1/50); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +40.6 (c. 0.86, CHCl₃); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 7.43 – 7.21 (18 H, m, Ar-H), 6.87 (2 H, d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, Ar-H PMB), 5.67 (1 H, d, *J* = 14.1 Hz, CH₂Ph-PMB), 5.62 (1 H, d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, CH₂Ph-PMB), 5.56 (1 H, d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, H₁), 5.40 (1 H, d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, H₅), 4.67 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.3 Hz, CH₂Ph-attached to C2), 4.60 (1 H, app. t, *J* = 9.1 Hz, H₄), 4.57 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.4 Hz, CH₂Ph-attached to C2), 4.56 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.9 Hz, CH₂Ph-attached to C3), 4.52 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, CH₂Ph-attached to C3), 4.01 – 3.99

(1 H, m, H₂), 3.79 (3 H, s, OCH₃), 3.70 (1 H, dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.9 Hz, H₃), 0.50 (9H, s, C(CH₃)₃), -0.11 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂), -0.55 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 164.4 (C_q tetrazole), 160.1 (C_q PMB), 138.0 (C_q), 133.9 (C_q), 131.8 (C_q), 130.6 (C_q), 129.0, 128.3, 128.3, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 125.0, 114.3, 86.5 (C1), 80.2 (C3), 75.7 (C2), 72.1 (CH₂Ph-attached to C2), 71.6 (CH₂Ph-attached to C3), 70.4 (C4), 69.1 (C5), 56.5 (CH₂Ph PMB), 55.3 (OCH₃), 25.5 (C(CH₃)₃), 17.7 (C(CH₃)₃), -4.1 (Si(CH₃)₂), -5.9 (Si(CH₃)₂); **¹³C-GATED** (101 MHz; CDCl₃): 86.5 (¹*J*_{C1-H1} = 168 Hz, C1); **HRMS** (ES⁺) *m/z* [Found: (M+H)⁺ 725.3192 C₄₀H₅₀N₄O₅SSi requires (M+H)⁺, 725.3187].

S2.8. Phenyl 2,3-di-*O*-benzyl-4-*O*-*tert*-butyl dimethylsilyl-6-*C*-(1*H*-tetrazol-5-yl)-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside triethylammonium salt

To a stirred solution of **5** (75 mg, 0.12 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) was added Et₃N (17 μ L, *d* = 0.726, 0.12 mmol, 1.0 equiv.). The reaction was left stirring for 1 h and then was dried *in vacuo*, giving the title compound as a yellow oil (80 mg, 0.11 mmol, 94%). [α]_D²² -42.4 (*c.* 0.46, CHCl₃); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 7.51 – 7.26 (15 H, m, Ar-H), 5.62 (1 H, d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, H₅), 5.56 (1 H, d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, H₁), 4.77 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.74 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.8 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.71 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.67 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.3 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.53 (1 H, app. t, *J* = 9.1 Hz, H₄), 4.13 (1 H, app. t, *J* = 2.2 Hz), 3.86 (1 H, dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.9 Hz, H₃), 3.05 (6 H, q, *J* = 7.3 Hz, N(CH₂CH₃)₃), 1.23 (9 H, t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, N(CH₂CH₃)₃), 0.75 (9 H, s, C(CH₃)₃), 0.00 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂), -0.43 (3 H, s, Si(CH₃)₂); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 159.6 (C_q tetrazole), 138.2 (C_q), 138.1 (C_q), 134.3 (C_q), 131.9, 128.9, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.9, 127.8, 127.6, 127.4, 86.9 (C1), 81.0 (C3), 77.2 (C2), 73.1 (CH₂Ph), 72.3 (CH₂Ph), 71.7 (C4), 69.8 (C5), 45.2 (N(CH₂CH₃)₃), 25.7 (C(CH₃)₃), 17.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 8.5 (N(CH₂CH₃)₃), -4.4 (Si(CH₃)₂), -5.9 (Si(CH₃)₂).

S2.9. Bn-protected C-6 tetrazole thioglycosides **13** and **14**

To a stirred solution of phenyl 2,3-di-*O*-benzyl-4-*O*-*tert*-butyl dimethylsilyl-6-*C*-(1*H*-tetrazol-5-yl)-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside triethylammonium salt (80 mg, 0.11 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in DMF (1.1 mL) was added BnBr (20 μ L, *d* = 1.438, 0.17 mmol, 1.5 equiv.). The reaction was left stirring for 3 h and was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL). The organic layer was washed with brine (10 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified using silica gel flash column chromatography, eluting with acetone/toluene (1/250, 1/150, 1/100) to furnish the inseparable isomers **13** and **14** as colourless oil in 1/1.2 ratio (24 mg, 34 μ mol, 31%). R_f 0.80 (EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1/50); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 7.41 – 7.18 (40 H, m, Ar-H), 5.73 (1 H, d, *J* = 14.3 Hz, CH₂Ph benzyl tetrazole, N₂-isomer), 5.68 (1 H, d, *J* = 14.2 Hz, CH₂Ph benzyl tetrazole, N₂-isomer), 5.57 (1 H, d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, H₁ N₁-isomer), 5.56 (1 H, d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, H₁ N₂-isomer), 5.54 (2 H, d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, CH₂Ph benzyl tetrazole, N₁-isomer), 5.50 (1 H, d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, H₅ N₁-isomer), 5.40 (1 H, d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, H₅ N₂-isomer), 4.67 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.65 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.63 (1 H, d, *J* =

12.2 Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.61 (1 H, d, $J = 11.9$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.60 (1 H, m, H_4 N_2 -isomer) 4.59 (1 H, d, $J = 11.7$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.57 (1 H, d, $J = 12.3$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.54 (2 H, s, CH_2Ph), 4.43 (1 H, app. t, $J = 9.1$ Hz, H_4 N_1 -isomer), 4.04 (1 H, app. t, $J = 2.8$ Hz, H_2 N_1 -isomer), 4.00 (1 H, app. t, $J = 2.6$ Hz, H_2 N_2 -isomer), 3.70 (1 H, dd, $J = 8.9, 2.9$ Hz, H_3 N_1 and N_2 -isomers), 0.63 (9 H, s, $C(CH_3)_3$), 0.51 (9 H, s, $C(CH_3)_3$), -0.11 (3 H, s, $Si(CH_3)_2$), -0.17 (3 H, s, $Si(CH_3)_2$), -0.54 (3 H, s, $Si(CH_3)_2$), -0.68 (3 H, s, $Si(CH_3)_2$); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz; $CDCl_3$) 164.5 (C_q tetrazole, N_2 -isomer), 152.3 (C_q tetrazole, N_1 -isomer), 138.0 (C_q), 137.9 (C_q), 137.8 (C_q), 137.5 (C_q), 134.5 (C_q), 133.9 (C_q), 133.6 (C_q), 133.5 (C_q), 132.8, 131.8, 131.0, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.3, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 86.5 ($C1$, N_1 or N_2 -isomer), 86.4 ($C1$, N_1 or N_2 -isomer), 80.2 ($C3$, N_1 or N_2 -isomer), 80.1 ($C3$, N_1 or N_2 -isomer), 76.3 ($C2$, N_1 -isomer), 75.7 ($C2$, N_2 -isomer), 72.9 (CH_2Ph), 72.1 ($2C$, CH_2Ph), 71.6 (CH_2Ph), 70.4 ($C4$, N_2 -isomer), 69.9 ($C4$, N_1 -isomer), 69.1 ($C5$, N_2 -isomer), 67.8 ($C5$, N_1 -isomer), 56.9 (CH_2Ph tetrazole, N_2 -isomer), 51.2 (CH_2Ph tetrazole, N_1 -isomer), 25.6 ($C(CH_3)_3$), 25.5 ($C(CH_3)_3$), 17.8 ($C(CH_3)_3$), 17.7 ($C(CH_3)_3$), -4.2 ($Si(CH_3)_2$), -4.5 ($Si(CH_3)_2$), -5.9 ($Si(CH_3)_2$), -6.0 ($Si(CH_3)_2$); ^{13}C -GATED (101 MHz; $CDCl_3$): 86.5 and 86.4 ($^1J_{C1-H1} = 168$ Hz, $C1$); HRMS (ES⁺) m/z [Found: (M+H)⁺ 695.3084 $C_{39}H_{47}N_4O_4SSi$ requires (M+H)⁺, 695.3082].

S2.10. C-6 nitrile thioglycoside 16

S2.10.1. C-6 aldehyde thioglycoside intermediate

To a stirred solution of **15**² (420 mg, 0.77 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in dimethyl sulfoxide (7.7 mL) was added Et_3N (323 μ L, $d = 0.726$, 2.32 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) and sulfur trioxide pyridine complex (369 mg, 2.32 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was left stirring for 1 h before it was diluted with EtOAc (25 mL) and H_2O (20 mL). The whole was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 20 mL) and the extracts were washed with H_2O (5 x 30 mL) and brine (2 x 30 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude aldehyde was obtained as a yellow oil (400 mg, 0.74 mmol, 96%) and was carried on the next step without further purification. R_f 0.83 (EtOAc/hexane, 1/2); $[\alpha]_D^{22} +40.5$ (c. 1.0, $CHCl_3$); 1H NMR (400 MHz; $CDCl_3$) δ 9.73 (1 H, s, CHO), 7.49 – 7.27 (20 H, m, Ar-H), 5.59 (1 H, t, $J = 6.3$ Hz, H_1), 4.69 (1 H, d, $J = 12.9$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.63 (1 H, d, $J = 12.8$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.59 (2 H, d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.55 (1 H, d, $J = 11.9$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.54 (1 H, d, $J = 12.5$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.49 (1 H, d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, H_5), 4.08 (1 H, app. t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, H_4), 3.94 – 3.91 (1 H, m, H_2), 3.87 (1 H, dd, $J = 7.6, 2.8$ Hz, H_3); ^{13}C NMR (101 MHz; $CDCl_3$) δ 197.6 (CHO), 137.6 (C_q), 137.6 (C_q), 137.6 (C_q), 133.5 (C_q), 131.6, 129.1, 128.5, 128.4, 128.0, 128.0, 128.0, 127.9, 127.9, 127.9, 127.6, 84.9 ($C1$), 77.4 ($C3$), 77.2 ($C5$), 75.0 ($C2$), 74.7 ($C4$), 74.3 (CH_2Ph), 72.3 (CH_2Ph), 72.2 (CH_2Ph). These data were consistent with literature values.²

S2.10.2. C-6 oxime thioglycoside intermediate

The crude aldehyde from the previous step (4.72 g, 8.73 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in THF (873 mL) and a solution of H₂NOH.HCl (606 mg, 8.73 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) dissolved in H₂O (17.5 mL) was added dropwise. The mixture was cooled to 0 °C and a solution of Na₂CO₃ (1.1 g, 10.5 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) dissolved in H₂O (10.5 mL) was added dropwise. The solution was slowly warmed to room temperature and stirred for 24 h. The mixture was diluted with H₂O (200 mL) and then extracted with EtOAc (4 x 400 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The obtained crude oil was purified using silica gel flash column chromatography, eluting with Et₂O/petroleum ether (0/100, 5/95, 10/90, 20/80) to furnish the title compound as a colourless oil. *Cis* and *trans* (1/7) isomers were isolated separately (major isomer: 3.8 g, 6.54 mmol, 78%, minor isomer: 550 mg, 0.99 mmol, 11%) and both were used for the next step. Major isomer R_f 0.70; minor isomer R_f 0.62 (EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1/2); major: $[\alpha]_D^{22} +87.7$ (c. 3.1, CHCl₃); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) major isomer δ 7.46 (1 H, d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, HC=N), 7.47 – 7.25 (20 H, m, Ar-H), 5.49 (1 H, d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, H₁), 4.86 (1 H, d, *J* = 10.9 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.73 (1 H, dd, *J* = 10.5, 5.6 Hz, H₅), 4.68 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.4 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.66 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.7 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.65 (1 H, d, *J* = 10.7 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.64 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.3 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.61 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.7 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.01 (1 H, app. t, *J* = 9.4 Hz, H₄), 4.01– 3.98 (1 H, m, H₂), 3.87 (1 H, dd, *J* = 9.2, 2.9 Hz, H₃); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 148.7 (HC=N), 138.1 (C_q), 137.7 (C_q), 133.9 (C_q), 131.7 (C_q), 129.1, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.5, 128.0, 127.8, 127.8, 127.8, 127.6, 86.1 (C1), 79.5 (C3), 76.4 (1 C, C2 or C4), 76.3 (1 C, C2 or C4), 75.1 (CH₂Ph), 72.4 (CH₂Ph), 72.3 (CH₂Ph), 70.6 (C5); **HRMS** (ES⁺) *m/z* [Found: (M+Na)⁺ 578.1993 C₃₃H₃₃NO₅SNa requires (M+Na)⁺, 578.1977].

S2.10.3 C-6 nitrile thioglycoside 16

The previously synthesised oxime (4.35 g, 7.83 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in dry MeCN (783 mL) and POCl₃ (729 μ L, d = 1.645, 7.83 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added at room temperature. The solution was stirred for 5 min. at room temperature, heated up to 65 °C and then stirred for 3 h. The reaction was quenched with sat. aq. NaHCO₃ solution (20 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 300 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified using silica gel flash column chromatography, eluting with EtOAc/petroleum ether (0/100, 5/95, 10/90, 20/80) to furnish **16** as a yellow oil (2.5 g, 4.65 mmol, 59%). R_f 0.76 (EtOAc/hexane, 1/2); $[\alpha]_D^{22} +71.0$ (c. 0.93, CHCl₃); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 7.38 – 7.28 (20 H, m, Ar-H), 5.48 (1 H, d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, H₁), 4.88 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.9 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.88 (1H, d, *J* = 9.7 Hz, H₅), 4.68 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.1 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.66 (2 H, d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.63 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.60 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.7 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.19 (1 H, app.t, *J* = 9.2 Hz, H₄), 3.93 (1 H, app. t, *J* = 2.6 Hz, H₂), 3.71 (1 H, dd, *J* = 8.9, 2.9 Hz, H₃); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 137.5 (C_q), 137.3 (C_q), 137.2

(C_q), 132.7 (C_q), 131.5 (C_q), 129.3, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 128.0, 127.9, 117.1 (C≡N), 86.2 (C1), 78.4 (C3), 76.1 (C4), 75.8 (C2 or CH₂Ph), 75.7 (C2 or CH₂Ph), 72.7 (CH₂Ph), 72.6 (CH₂Ph), 62.2 (C5); **HRMS** (ES⁺) *m/z* [Found: (M+H)⁺ 538.2068 C₃₃H₃₃NO₄S requires (M+H)⁺, 358.2052].

S2.11. Phenyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl-6-*C*-(1*H*-tetrazol-5-yl)-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside **17**

C6-nitrile thioglycoside **16** (2.5 g, 4.65 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in toluene (465 mL) and TMSN₃ (3.7 mL, *d* = 0.872, 27.9 mmol, 6.0 equiv.) and Bu₂SnO (463 mg, 1.86 mmol, 0.4 equiv.) were added. The mixture was heated to 120 °C and stirred for 16 h. Upon completion, the mixture was cooled down to room temperature, diluted with EtOAc (400 mL) and washed with 0.1 M aq. HCl (250 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude product. Purification of the crude material by silica gel flash column chromatography, eluting with MeOH/CH₂Cl₂ (0/100, 2/98, 5/95) afforded **17** as a brown oil (1.5 g, 2.58 mmol, 55%). R_f 0.65 (MeOH/CH₂Cl₂, 1/9); [α]_D²² +95.0 (*c.* 1.96, CHCl₃); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 7.37 – 7.08 (20 H, m, Ar-H), 5.61 (1 H, d, *J* = 9.7 Hz, H₅), 5.54 (1 H, d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, H₁), 4.71 (2 H, d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.70 (1 H, d, *J* = 10.5 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.65 (2 H, d, *J* = 11.8 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.38 (1 H, d, *J* = 10.7 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.19 (1 H, app. t, *J* = 9.4 Hz, H₄), 4.08 (1 H, dd, *J* = 2.7, 2.1 Hz, H₂), 3.99 (1 H, dd, *J* = 9.2, 2.9 Hz, H₃); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 155.0 (C_q tetrazole), 137.6 (C_q), 137.1 (C_q), 137.0 (C_q), 132.8 (C_q), 132.0, 129.3, 128.7, 128.6, 128.6, 128.4, 128.4, 128.4, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 86.8 (C1), 79.4 (C3), 76.6 (C2 and C4), 75.0 (CH₂Ph), 73.3 (CH₂Ph), 72.8 (CH₂Ph), 66.5 (C5); **HRMS** (ES⁺) *m/z* [Found: (M+H)⁺ 581.2251 C₃₃H₃₄N₄O₄S requires (M+H)⁺, 581.2223].

S2.12. PMB-protected C-6 tetrazole thioglycosides **18** and **19**

To a stirred solution of **17** (920 mg, 1.37 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in DMF (10 mL) was added successively, KI (341 mg, 2.06 mmol, 1.5 equiv.), K₂CO₃ (227 mg, 1.65 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) and PMBCl (279 μ L, *d* = 1.155, 2.06 mmol, 1.5 equiv.). The reaction was left stirring for 16 h and was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (30 mL). The organic layer was washed with 10% aq. Na₂S₂O₃ solution (30 mL) and brine (30 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified using silica gel flash column chromatography, eluting with EtOAc/petroleum ether (5/95, 10/90, 15/85) to furnish isomers **18** and **19** (732 mg, 1.04 mmol, 76%) as colourless oils.

S2.12.1. Phenyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl-6-*C*-(1-*para*-methoxybenzyl-tetrazol-5-yl)-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside **18**

N₁-regioisomer **18** was isolated as a yellow oil (374 mg, 0.53 mmol, 39%). R_f 0.72 (EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1/2); [α]_D²² +48.5 (*c.* 2.75, CHCl₃); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 7.39 – 6.95 (21 H, m, Ar-H), 7.00 (2 H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, Ar-H PMB), 6.65 (2 H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, Ar-H PMB), 5.61 (1 H, d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, H₁), 5.45 (1 H, d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, H₅), 5.28 (1 H, d, *J* =

15.0 Hz, CH₂Ph-PMB), 5.19 (1 H, d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, CH₂Ph-PMB), 4.72 (2 H, d, *J* = 12.5 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.70 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.7 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.67 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.0 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.65 (1 H, d, *J* = 12.3 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.45 (1 H, app. t, *J* = 9.6 Hz, H₄), 4.33 (1 H, d, *J* = 10.6 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.08 (1 H, dd, *J* = 2.7, 2.0 Hz, H₂), 3.93 (1 H, dd, *J* = 9.2, 2.8 Hz, H₃), 3.70 (3 H, s, OCH₃); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 159.6 (C_q PMB), 152.2 (C_q tetrazole), 137.8 (C_q), 137.5 (C_q), 137.5 (C_q), 133.3 (C_q), 130.7 (C_q), 129.3, 129.3, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.8, 127.7, 125.6, 114.1, 86.3 (C1), 79.7 (C3), 76.4 (C2), 76.0 (C4), 75.1 (CH₂Ph), 72.8 (CH₂Ph), 72.5 (CH₂Ph), 65.6 (C5), 55.2 (OCH₃), 50.5 (CH₂Ph PMB); **¹³C-GATED** (101 MHz; CDCl₃): 86.3 (¹*J*_{C1-H1} = 172 Hz, C1); **HRMS** (ES⁺) *m/z* [Found: (M+H)⁺ 701.2829 C₄₁H₄₂N₄O₄S requires (M+H)⁺, 701.2798].

S2.12.2. Phenyl 2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl-6-*C*-(2-*para*-methoxybenzyl-tetrazol-5-yl)-1-thio- α -D-mannopyranoside 19

N₂-regioisomer **19** was isolated as a yellow oil (355 mg, 0.51 mmol, 37%). R_f 0.73 (EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1/2); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 7.38 – 7.13 (21 H, m, Ar-H), 6.84 (2 H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, Ar-H PMB), 6.76 (2 H, d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, Ar-H PMB), 5.57 (1 H, d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, H₁), 5.52 (1 H, d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, H₅), 5.27 (1 H, d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, CH₂Ph-PMB), 5.18 (1 H, d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, CH₂Ph-PMB), 4.63 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.5 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.63 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.59 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.58 (1 H, app. t, *J* = 9.9 Hz, H₄), 4.56 (1 H, d, *J* = 11.5 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.08 – 4.06 (1 H, m, H₂), 3.94 (1 H, dd, *J* = 9.3, 1.2 Hz, H₃), 4.33 (1 H, d, *J* = 10.7 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.23 (1 H, d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, CH₂Ph), 3.67 (1 H, s, OCH₃); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; CDCl₃) δ 164.3 (C_q tetrazole), 160.0 (C_q PMB), 138.1 (C_q), 138.1 (C_q), 137.8 (C_q), 133.8 (C_q), 132.0 (C_q), 129.4, 129.3, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1, 128.1, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 125.3, 114.3, 86.6 (C1), 79.8 (C3), 76.3 (C2), 76.0 (C4), 75.1 (CH₂Ph), 72.4 (CH₂Ph), 72.2 (CH₂Ph), 67.1 (C5), 56.5 (CH₂Ph PMB), 55.3 (OCH₃); **¹³C-GATED** (101 MHz; CDCl₃): 86.6 (¹*J*_{C1-H1} = 168 Hz, C1); **HRMS** (ES⁺) *m/z* [Found: (M+H)⁺ 701.2829 C₄₁H₄₂N₄O₄S requires (M+H)⁺, 701.2798].

S2.13. 3-aminopropyl (6-*C*-tetrazol-5-yl)- α / β -D-mannopyranoside 20

S2.13.1. 3-(benzyloxycarbonylamino) propyl (2,3,4-tri-*O*-benzyl-6-*C*-(2-*para*-methoxybenzyl-tetrazol-5-yl)- α / β -D-mannopyranoside

A solution of **18** and **19** (290 mg, 0.41 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and 3-(benzyloxycarbonylamino)-1-propanol (259 mg, 1.24 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ (4.1 mL) was stirred over activated MS4Å for 1 h before NIS (139 mg, 0.62 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) was added. The mixture was cooled to -40 °C before AgOTf (53 mg, 0.21 mmol, 0.5 equiv.) was added. The reaction was warmed up to 0 °C and stirred for 3 h. Upon completion, Et₃N was added until pH = 7, and subsequently diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL). The organic layer was washed with 10% aq. Na₂S₂O₃ solution (20 mL), brine (20 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography, eluting with EtOAc/petroleum (30/70, 40/60 and 50/50) afforded the title

compound as a colourless oil in an anomeric mixture of $\alpha/\beta = 1/1$ ratio (110 mg, 0.14 mmol, 34%). R_f 0.66 (EtOAc/toluene, 3/7); **$^1\text{H NMR}$** (400 MHz; CDCl_3) 7.40 – 7.22 (23 H, m, Ar-H), 7.19 – 7.09 (6 H, m, Ar-H PMB), 6.83 – 6.73 (4 H, m, Ar-H PMB), 5.65 (1 H, d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, CH_2Ph PMB), 5.60 (1 H, d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, CH_2Ph PMB), 5.60 (1 H, d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, CH_2Ph PMB), 5.55 (1 H, d, $J = 14.4$ Hz, CH_2Ph PMB), 5.09 (1 H, d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 5.03 (1 H, d, $J = 12.4$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.96 (1 H, d, $J = 12.6$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.92 (1 H, d, $J = 9.9$ Hz, H_5 α -anomer), 4.85 (1 H, d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, H_1 α -anomer), 4.83 (1 H, d, $J = 12.6$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.78 (1 H, d, $J = 12.5$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.73 (1 H, d, $J = 11.2$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.69 (2 H, d, $J = 10.7$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.63 (2 H, d, $J = 11.8$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.62 (1 H, d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, H_5 β -anomer), 4.59 (1 H, d, $J = 11.7$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.55 (1 H, d, $J = 3.0$ Hz, H_1 β -anomer), 4.53 (1 H, d, $J = 12.8$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.49 (2 H, app. t, $J = 9.7$ Hz, H_4 α and β -anomer), 4.47 (1 H, d, $J = 12.8$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.28 (1 H, d, $J = 10.7$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 4.24 (1 H, d, $J = 10.7$ Hz, CH_2Ph), 3.96 (1 H, d, $J = 2.7$ Hz, H_2 β -anomer), 3.95 (1 H, dd, $J = 9.4, 2.9$ Hz, H_3 α -anomer), 3.93 – 3.88 (1 H, m, $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHCbz}$ α -anomer), 3.90 – 3.79 (2 H, m, H_2 α -anomer, $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHCbz}$ β -anomer), 3.72 (3 H, s, OCH_3 α -anomer), 3.70 (3 H, s, OCH_3 β -anomer), 3.59 (1 H, dd, $J = 9.4, 2.7$ Hz, H_3 β -anomer), 3.56 – 3.50 (1 H, m, $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHCbz}$ α -anomer), 3.47 – 3.40 (1 H, m, $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHCbz}$ β -anomer), 3.28 (4 H, m, $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHCbz}$ α and β -anomer), 1.78 (4 H, dt, $J = 12.9, 6.9$ Hz, $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHCbz}$ α and β -anomer); **$^{13}\text{C NMR}$** (101 MHz; CDCl_3) δ 164.5 (C_q tetrazole α -anomer), 164.0 (C_q tetrazole β -anomer), 160.0 (C_q PMB), 156.4 ($\text{C}=\text{O}$ CBz), 138.6 (C_q), 138.4 (2 C, C_q), 138.2 (2 C, C_q), 138.1 (C_q), 138.1 (C_q), 136.6 (C_q), 130.0 (C_q), 130.0 (C_q), 129.1, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 127.7, 127.7, 127.7, 127.6, 127.6, 127.4, 114.3, 102.2 (C_1 β -anomer), 98.9 (C_1 α -anomer), 81.8 (C_3 β -anomer), 79.9 (C_3 α -anomer), 77.2 (2 C, C_4 , α and β -anomer), 75.0 (C_2 α -anomer), 74.8 (CH_2Ph), 74.2 (CH_2Ph), 74.2 (C_2 β -anomer), 74.1 (CH_2Ph), 72.9 (CH_2Ph), 72.5 (2 C, CH_2Ph), 71.7 (CH_2Ph), 69.8 (C_5 β -anomer), 67.6 ($\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHCbz}$ α -anomer), 66.6 (CH_2Ph), 66.4 (C_5 α -anomer), 65.8 ($\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHCbz}$ β -anomer), 56.4 (2 C, CH_2Ph PMB), 55.2 (2 C, OCH_3), 38.4 ($\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHCbz}$ α -anomer), 38.2 ($\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHCbz}$ β -anomer), 29.7 ($\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHCbz}$ β -anomer), 29.5 ($\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHCbz}$ α -anomer); **$^{13}\text{C-GATED}$** (101 MHz; CDCl_3): 102.2 ($^1J_{\text{C}_1-\text{H}_1} = 156$ Hz, C_1 β -anomer); **HRMS** (ES^+) m/z [Found: $(\text{M}+\text{H})^+$ 800.3693 $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{51}\text{N}_5\text{O}_8$ requires $(\text{M}+\text{H})^+$, 800.3659].

S2.13.2. 3-aminopropyl (6-C-tetrazol-5-yl)- α/β -D-mannopyranoside 20

3-(benzyloxycarbonylamino) propyl (2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl-6-C-(2-paramethoxybenzyl-tetrazol-5-yl)- α/β -D-mannopyranoside (30 mg, 38 μmol , 1.0 equiv.) was dissolved in a mixture of EtOH/THF (0.6 mL, 1.5/1 v/v), after which Pd/C (10%) (20 mg, 19 μmol , 0.5 equiv.), $\text{Pd}(\text{OH})_2/\text{C}$ (20%) (13 mg, 19 μmol , 0.5 equiv.) and 0.1 M aq. HCl (380 μL , 38 μmol , 1.0 equiv.) were added. The mixture was stirred for 56 h under an atmosphere of hydrogen (1 atm, balloon) at room temperature. TLC analysis (hexane/EtOAc, 1/2) showed complete conversion of starting material to a lower R_f spot.

The reaction mixture was filtered through Celite[®], followed by solvent removal *in vacuo* to give white powder **20** in an anomeric mixture of $\alpha/\beta = 3/1$ (11 mg, 36 μmol , 96%). R_f 0.27 ($\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{MeCN}$, 1/2); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; D_2O) δ 4.86 (1 H, s, H_1 α -anomer), 4.82 (1 H, d, $J = 9.8$ Hz, H_5), 4.74 (1 H, s, H_1 β -anomer), 4.61 (1 H, d, $J = 9.9$ Hz, H_5 β -anomer), 4.15 (1 H, app. t, $J = 9.9$ Hz, H_4 α -anomer), 4.08 (app. t, $J = 9.9$ Hz, H_4 β -anomer), 4.03 (1 H, d, $J = 3.2$ Hz, H_2 β -anomer), 4.01 – 3.98 (1 H, m, H_2 α -anomer), 3.87 (1 H, dd, $J = 9.8, 3.4$ Hz, H_3 α -anomer), 3.84 – 3.76 (2 H, m, $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3\cdot\text{Cl}$ α and β -anomer), 3.73 (1 H, dd, $J = 9.8, 3.2$ Hz, H_3 β -anomer), 3.56 (2 H, ddd, $J = 17.3, 9.7, 4.5$ Hz, $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3\cdot\text{Cl}$ α and β -anomer), 3.17 – 3.07 (2 H, m, $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3\cdot\text{Cl}$ α -anomer), 3.02 (2 H, td, $J = 12.6, 7.2$ Hz, $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3\cdot\text{Cl}$ β -anomer), 1.99 (2 H, dq, $J = 13.6, 6.7$ Hz, $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3\cdot\text{Cl}$ α -anomer), 1.91 – 1.82 (2 H, m, $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3\cdot\text{Cl}$ β -anomer); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; D_2O) δ 160.1 (2 C, C_q tetrazole), 100.6 (C_1 β -anomer), 100.5 (C_1 α -anomer), 72.7 (C_3 β -anomer), 70.5 (C_3 α -anomer), 70.5 (C_2 β -anomer), 70.2 (C_5 β -anomer), 70.0 (C_2 α -anomer), 69.6 (C_4 β -anomer), 69.5 (C_4 α -anomer), 67.6 ($\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3\cdot\text{Cl}$ β -anomer), 66.6 (C_5 α -anomer), 65.3 ($\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3\cdot\text{Cl}$ α -anomer), 37.6 ($\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3\cdot\text{Cl}$ β -anomer), 37.4 ($\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3\cdot\text{Cl}$ α -anomer), 26.7 ($\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3\cdot\text{Cl}$ α -anomer), 26.6 ($\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3\cdot\text{Cl}$ β -anomer); **¹³C-GATED** (101 MHz; D_2O): 100.5 ($^1J_{\text{C}_1-\text{H}_1} = 172$ Hz, C_1 α -anomer); **HRMS** (ES^+) m/z [Found: $(\text{M}+\text{H})^+$ 276.1309 $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_5\text{O}_5$ requires $(\text{M}+\text{H})^+$, 276.1308].

S2.14. (6-C-tetrazol-5-yl)- α -D-mannopyranoside 1-phosphate (*bis*-ammonium salt) 21

S2.14.1. Fully protected C-6 tetrazole 1-phosphates

A mixture of **18** and **19** (730 mg, 1.04 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was stirred with activated MS4Å for 1h in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL). Dibenzyl phosphate (580 mg, 2.08 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) was added, and the solution was stirred for further 30 min. before being cooled down to -30 °C. NIS (350 mg, 1.56 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) and AgOTf (133 mg, 0.52 mmol, 0.5 equiv.) were added successively and the reaction mixture was stirred for further 3.5 h, allowing the temperature to reach 0 °C. When TLC analysis indicated conversion to a lower R_f value, the reaction was quenched by the addition of Et_3N (1.4 mL, $d = 0.726$, 10.4 mmol, 10.0 equiv.) and diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL). The organic layer was washed with 10% aq. $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ solution (30 mL), brine (30 mL), dried over MgSO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography, eluting with $\text{EtOAc}/\text{toluene}$ (5/95, 10/90 and 30/70) afforded the protected 1-phosphate regioisomeric mixture as a colourless oil in a 50/50 ratio (650 mg, 0.75 mmol, 72%). R_f 0.66 ($\text{EtOAc}/\text{toluene}$, 3/7); **¹H NMR** (400 MHz; CDCl_3) δ 7.38 – 7.27 (35 H, m, Ar-H), 7.14 (2 H, d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, Ar-H PMB), 7.07 (2 H, d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, Ar-H PMB), 6.93 (2 H, d, $J = 6.7$ Hz, Ar-H), 6.82 (2 H, d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, Ar-H), 6.75 (2 H, d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, Ar-H PMB), 6.65 (2 H, d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, Ar-H PMB), 5.76 (1 H, dd, $J = 6.3, 1.8$ Hz, H_1 N_2 -isomer), 5.69 (1 H, dd, $J = 6.3, 2.1$ Hz, H_1 N_1 -isomer), 5.65 (1 H, d, $J = 14.0$ Hz, CH_2Ph PMB), 5.61 (1 H, d, $J = 14.2$ Hz, CH_2Ph

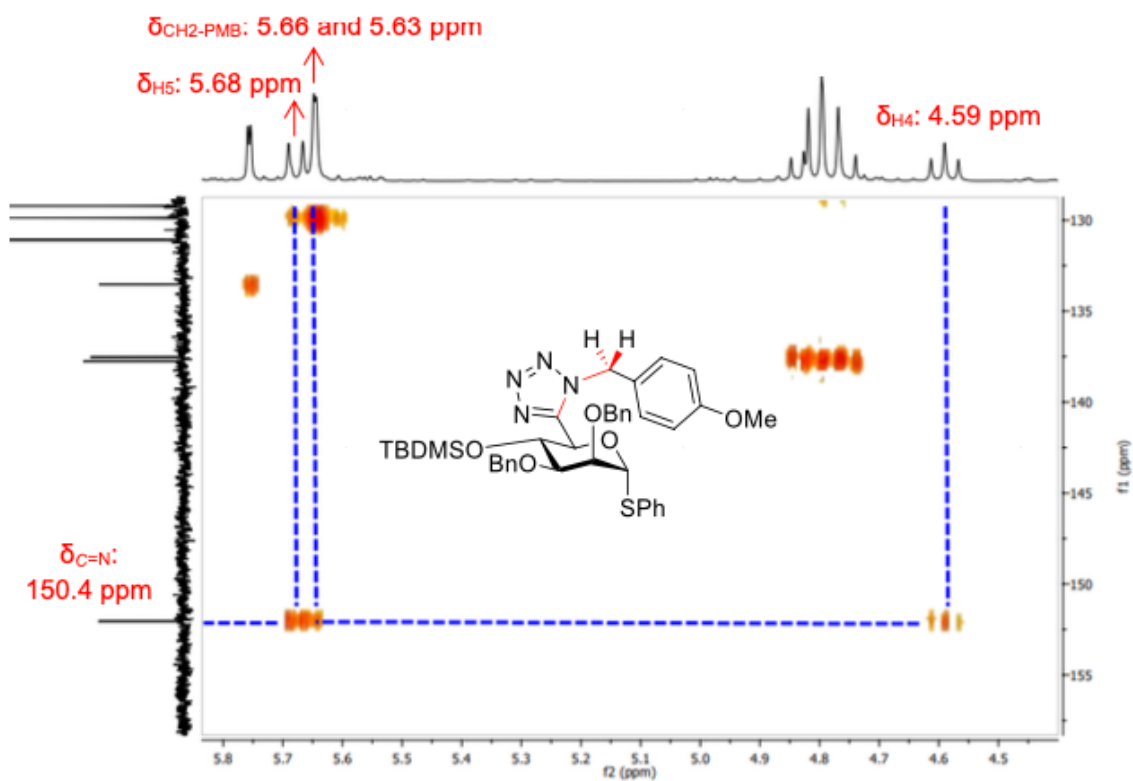
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S2.14.2. (6-C-tetrazol-5-yl)- α -D-mannopyranoside 1-phosphate (*bis*-ammonium salt) **21**

A suspension of the protected 1-phosphate regioisomeric mixture (190 mg, 0.22 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), 10% Pd/C (140 mg, 0.13 mmol, 0.6 equiv.), 20% Pd(OH)₂/C (92 mg, 0.13 mmol, 0.6 equiv.) and 5% aq. NaHCO₃ (739 μL , 0.44 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) in a mixture of EtOH/THF (4.4 mL, 1.5/1 v/v) was stirred under an atmosphere of hydrogen (1 atm, balloon) at room temperature for 24 h. TLC analysis (hexane/EtOAc, 1/2) showed complete conversion of starting material to a lower R_f spot. The reaction mixture was filtered through Celite[®], followed by solvent removal *in vacuo*. Purification *via* strong anion exchange chromatography was conducted manually using a Bio-Scale[™] Mini UNOsphere[™] Q (strong anion exchange) cartridge) and lyophilisation afforded **21** as a white powder (53 mg, 0.16 mmol, 72%). R_f 0.42 ($\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{MeCN}$, 1/2); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -3.0 (c. 1.0, H_2O); **^1H NMR** (400 MHz; D_2O) δ 5.41 (1 H, dd, $J = 7.9, 1.7$ Hz, H_1), 5.08 (1 H, d, $J = 9.7$ Hz,

H₅), 4.05 (1 H, app. t, $J = 9.6$ Hz, H₄), 4.02 – 3.97 (2 H, m, H₂ and H₃); **¹³C NMR** (101 MHz; D₂O) δ 160.8 (C_q tetrazole), 96.1 (C1), 70.5 (C2), 69.7 (C3), 69.4 (C4), 67.1 (C5); **³¹P NMR** δ_P (162 MHz, D₂O) -2.15 (s); **HRMS** (ES⁻) m/z [Found: (M-H)⁻ 297.0236 C₆H₁₀N₄O₈P requires (M-H)⁻, 297.0233].

S3. HMBC spectrum for N₁-protected tetrazole 11

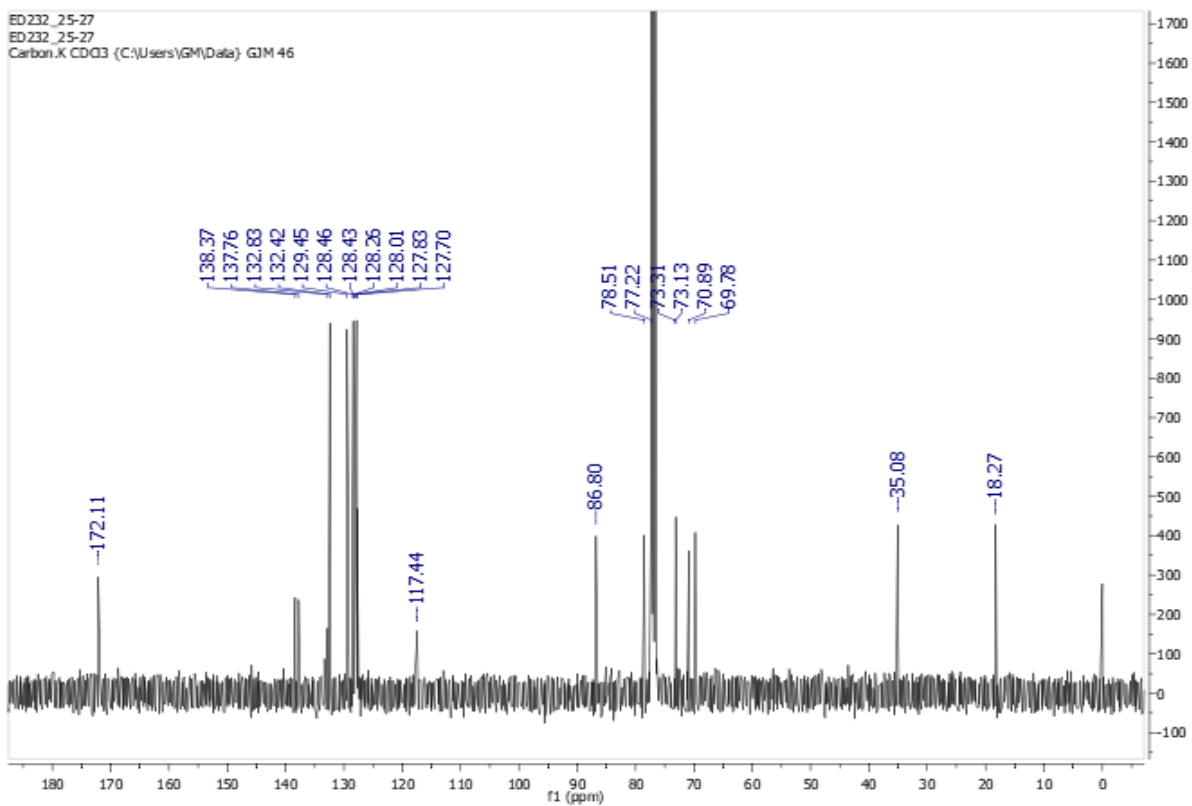
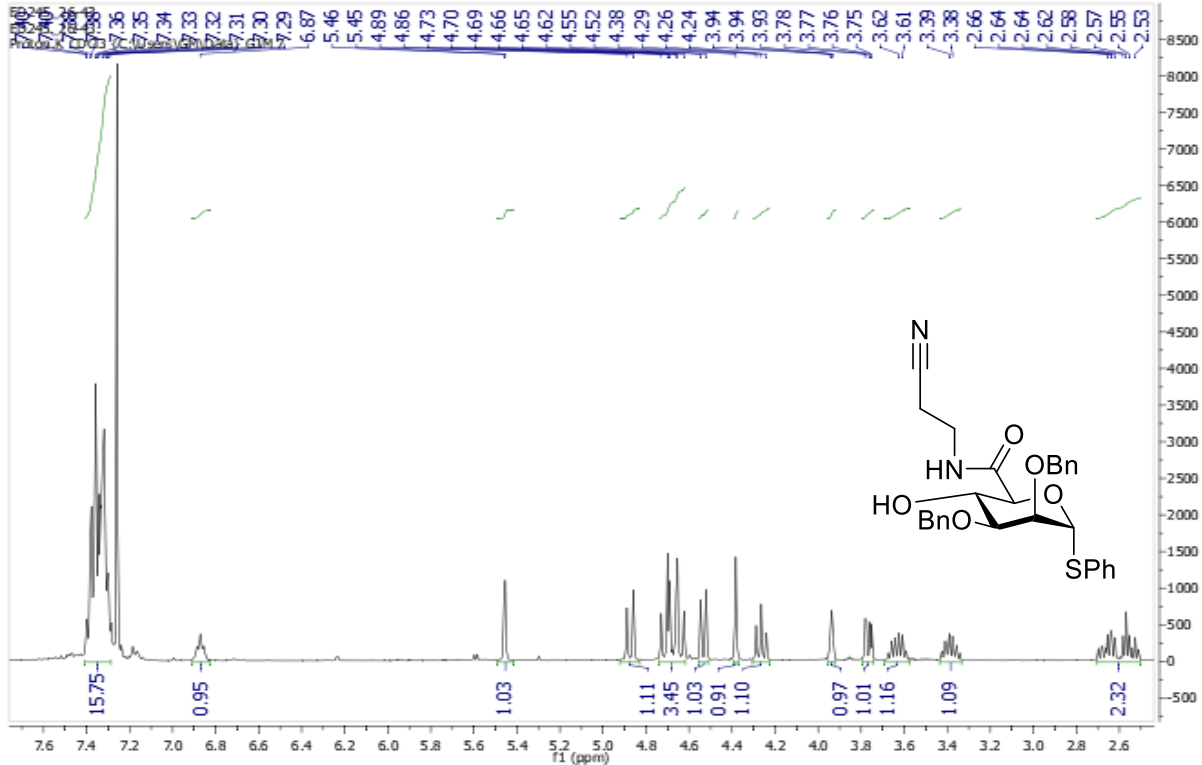


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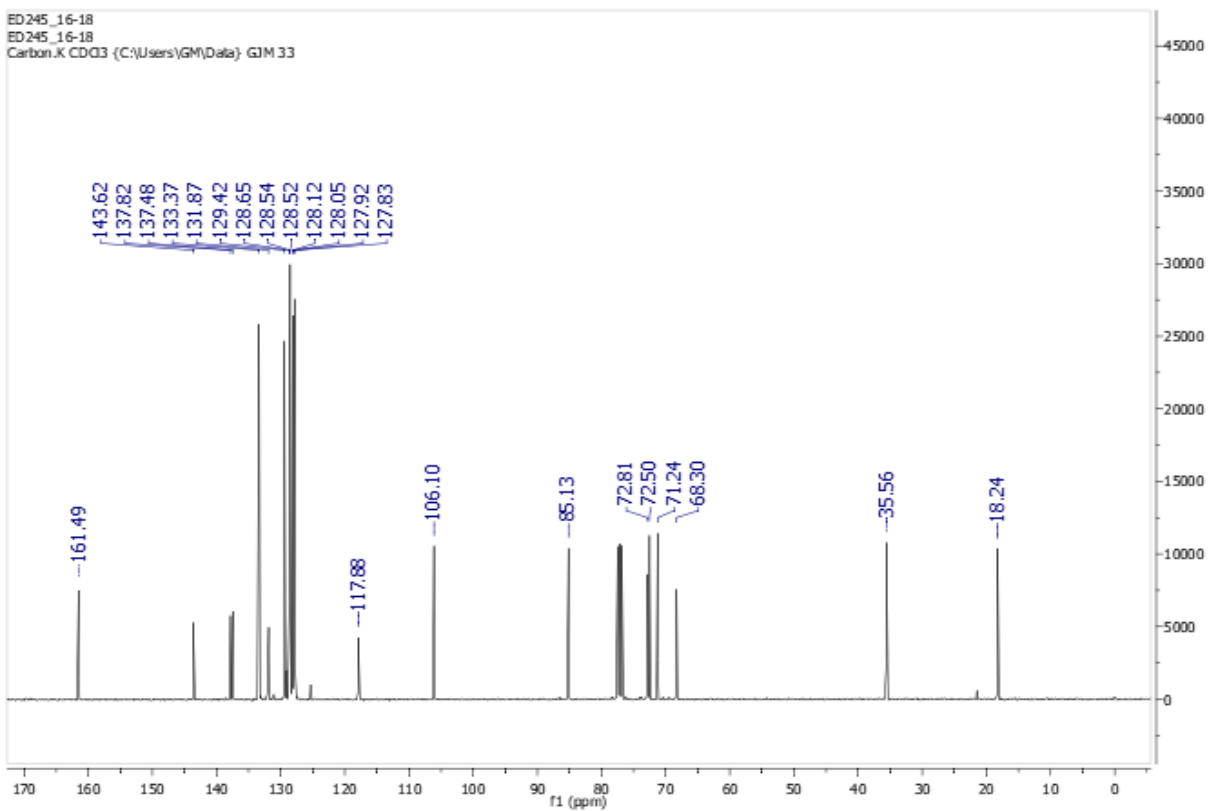
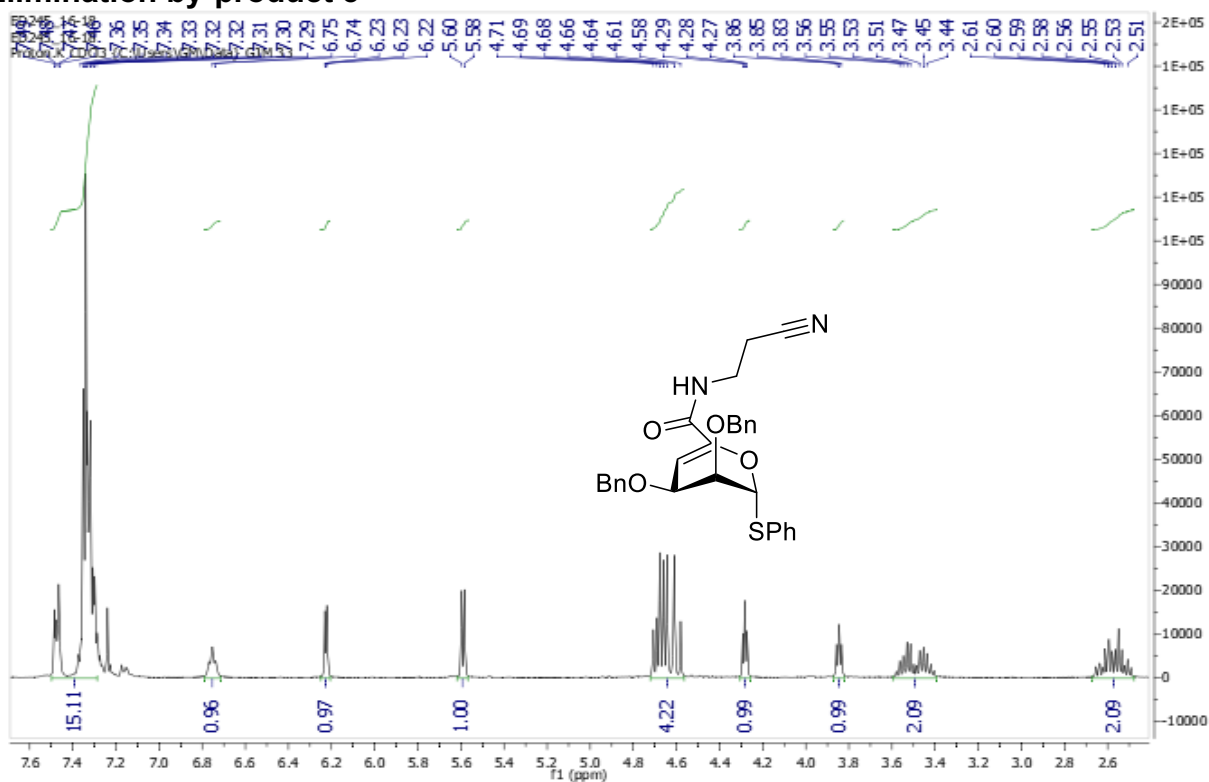
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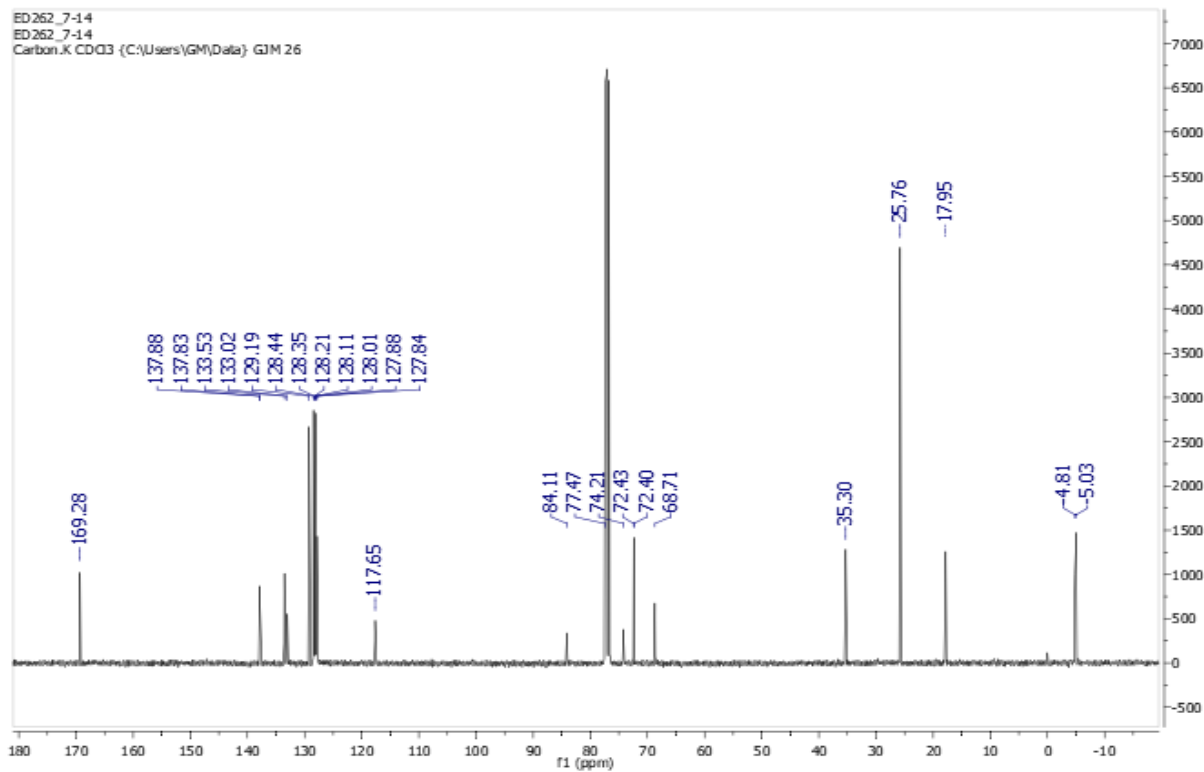
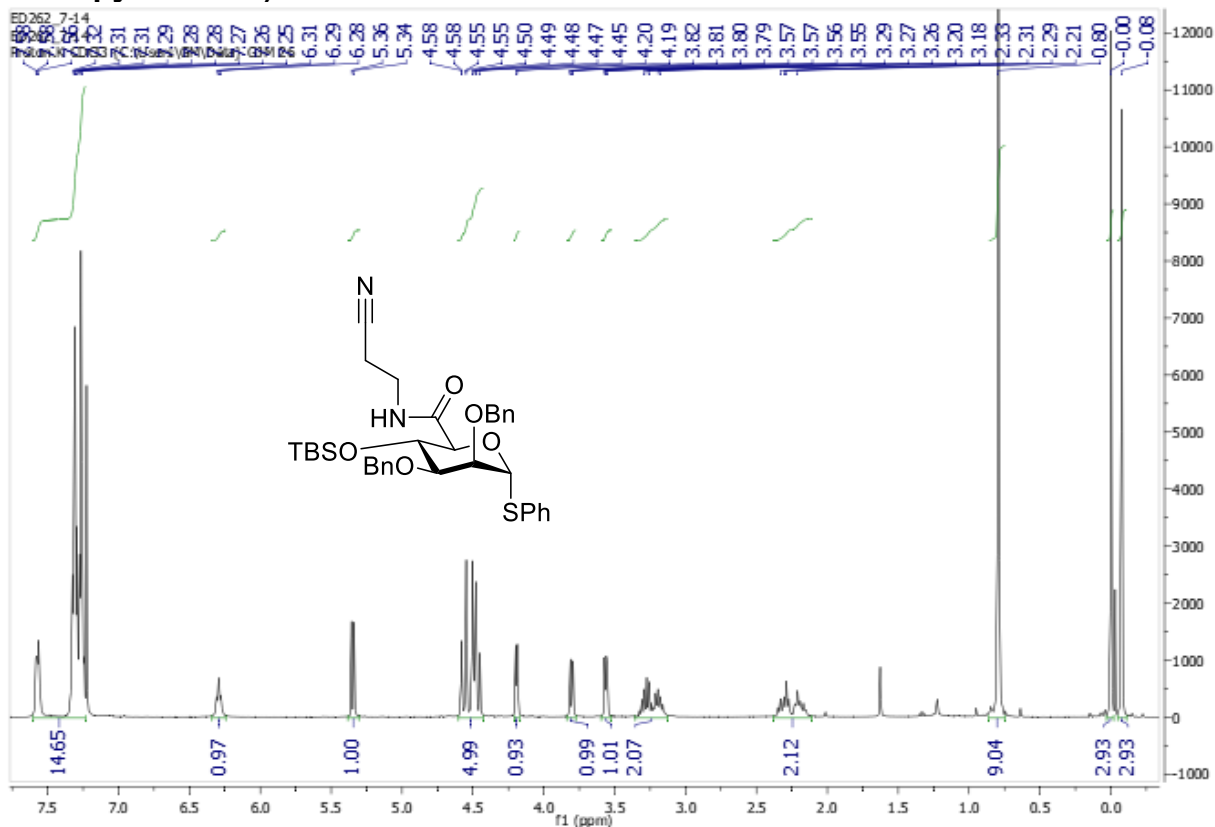
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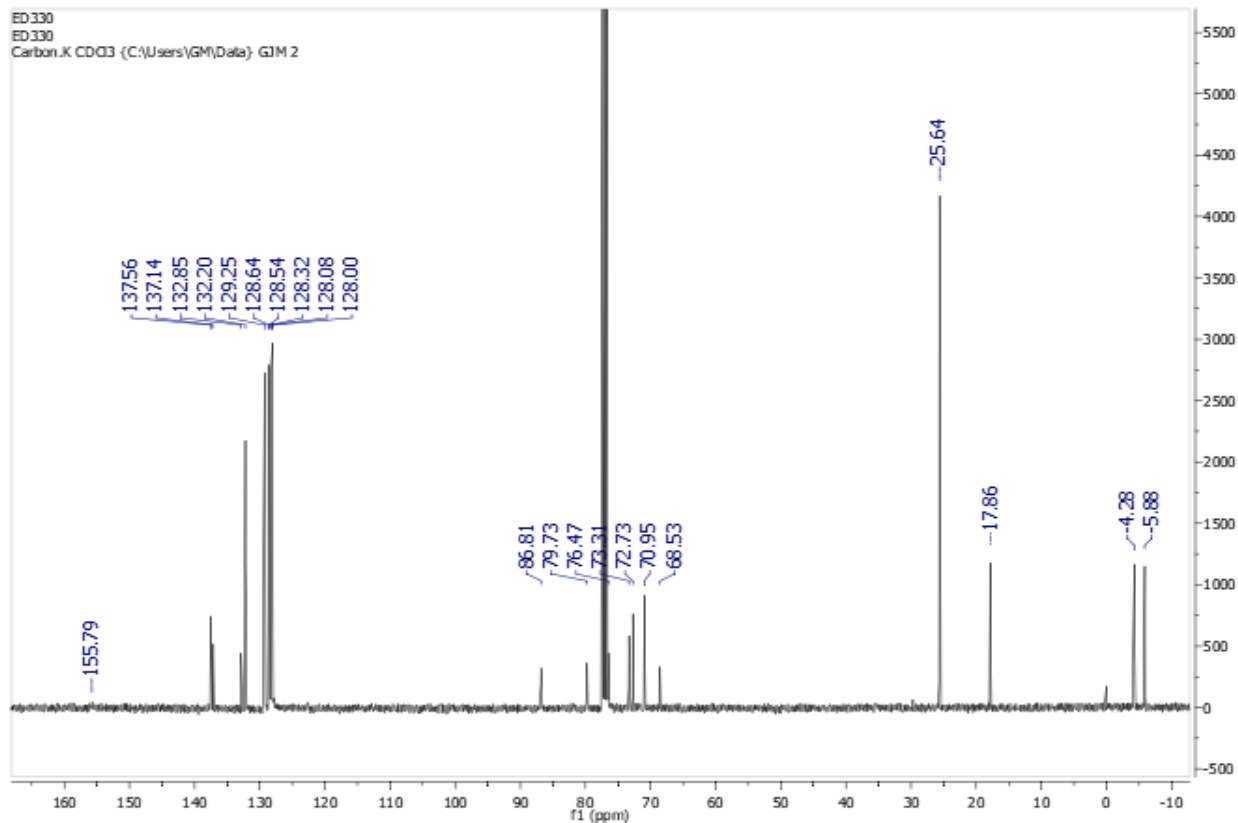
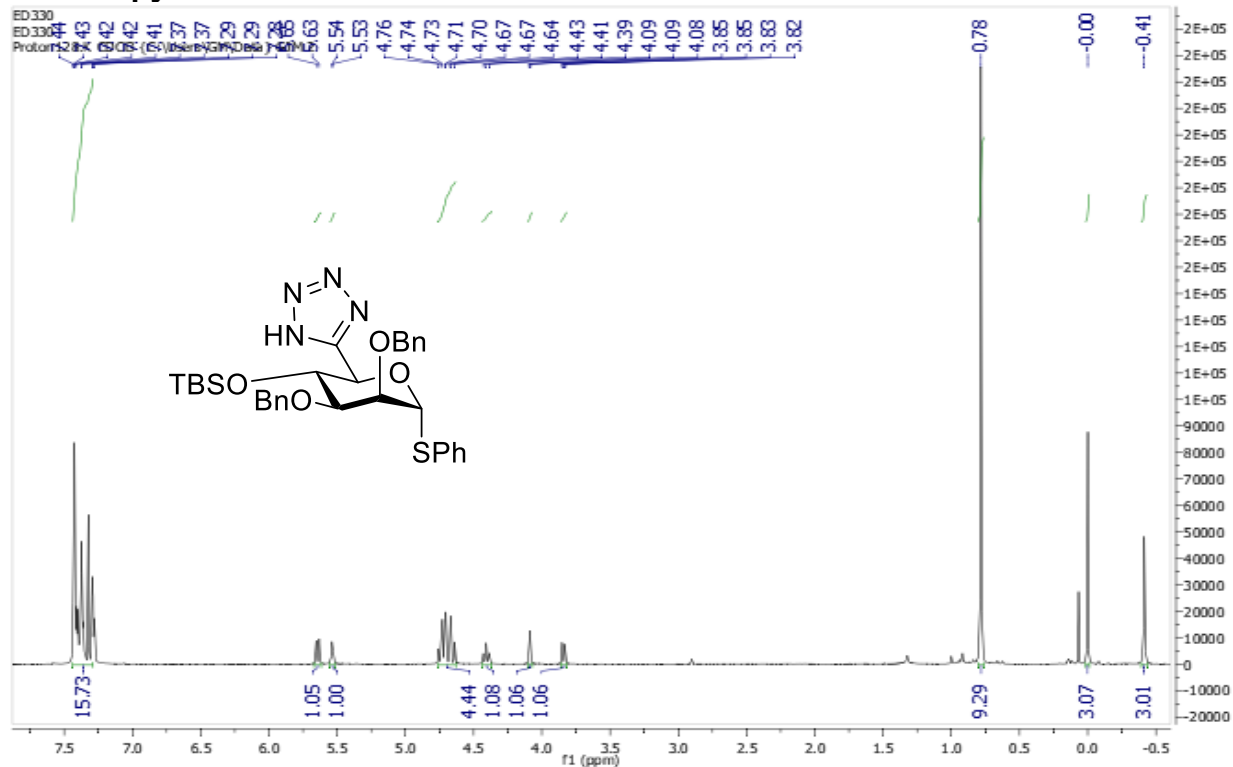
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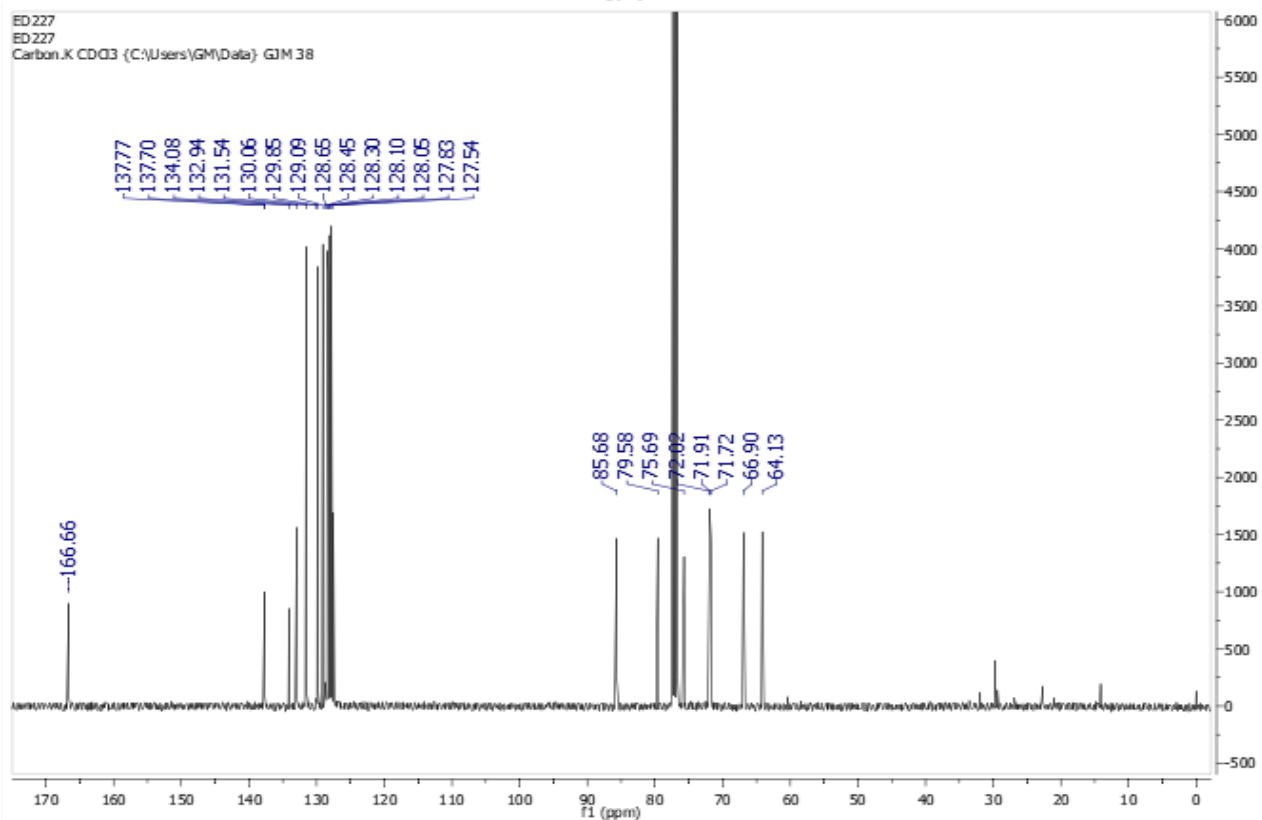
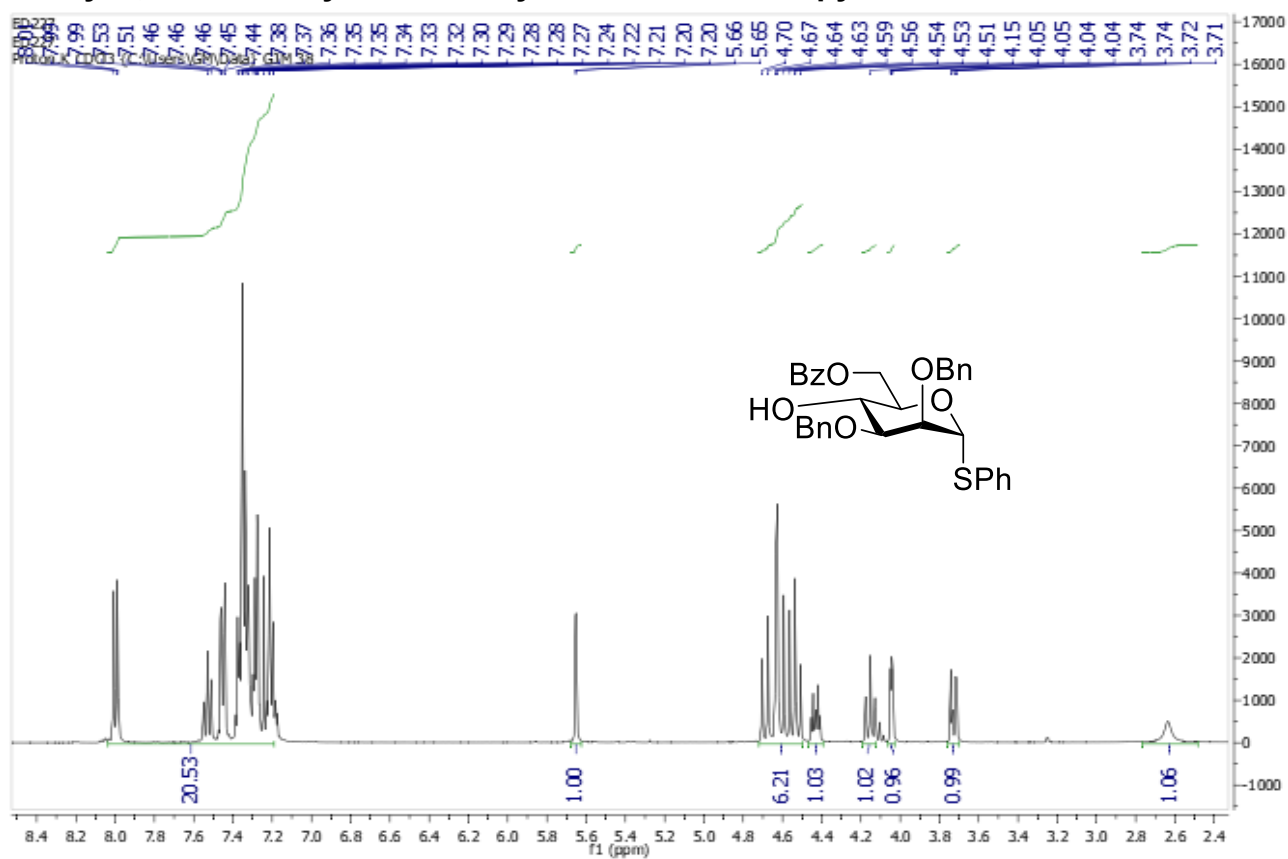
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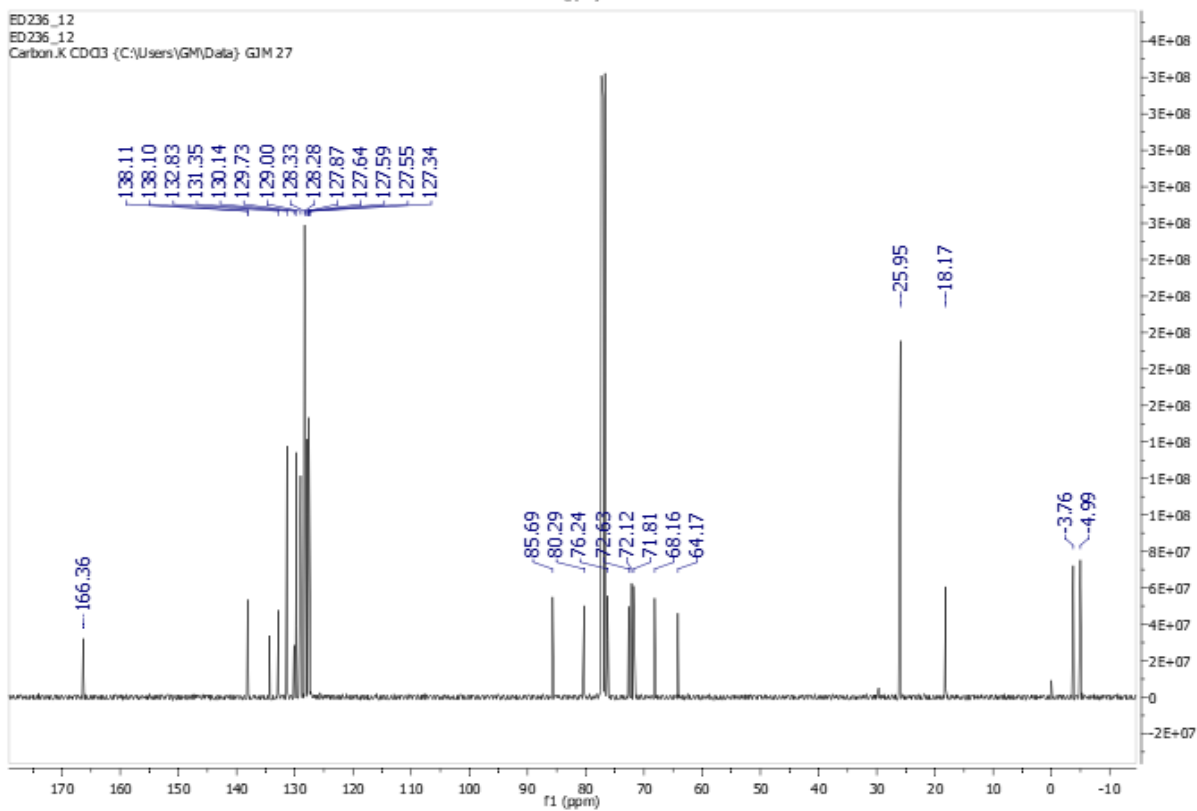
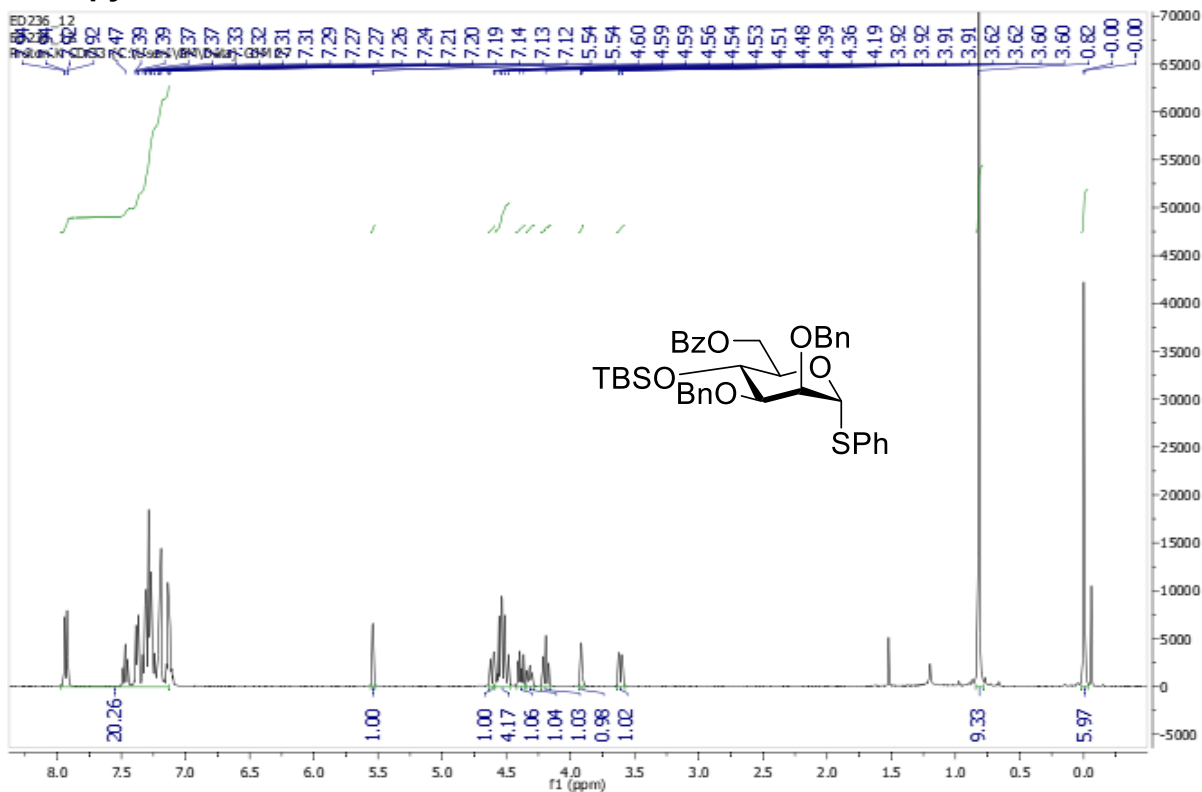
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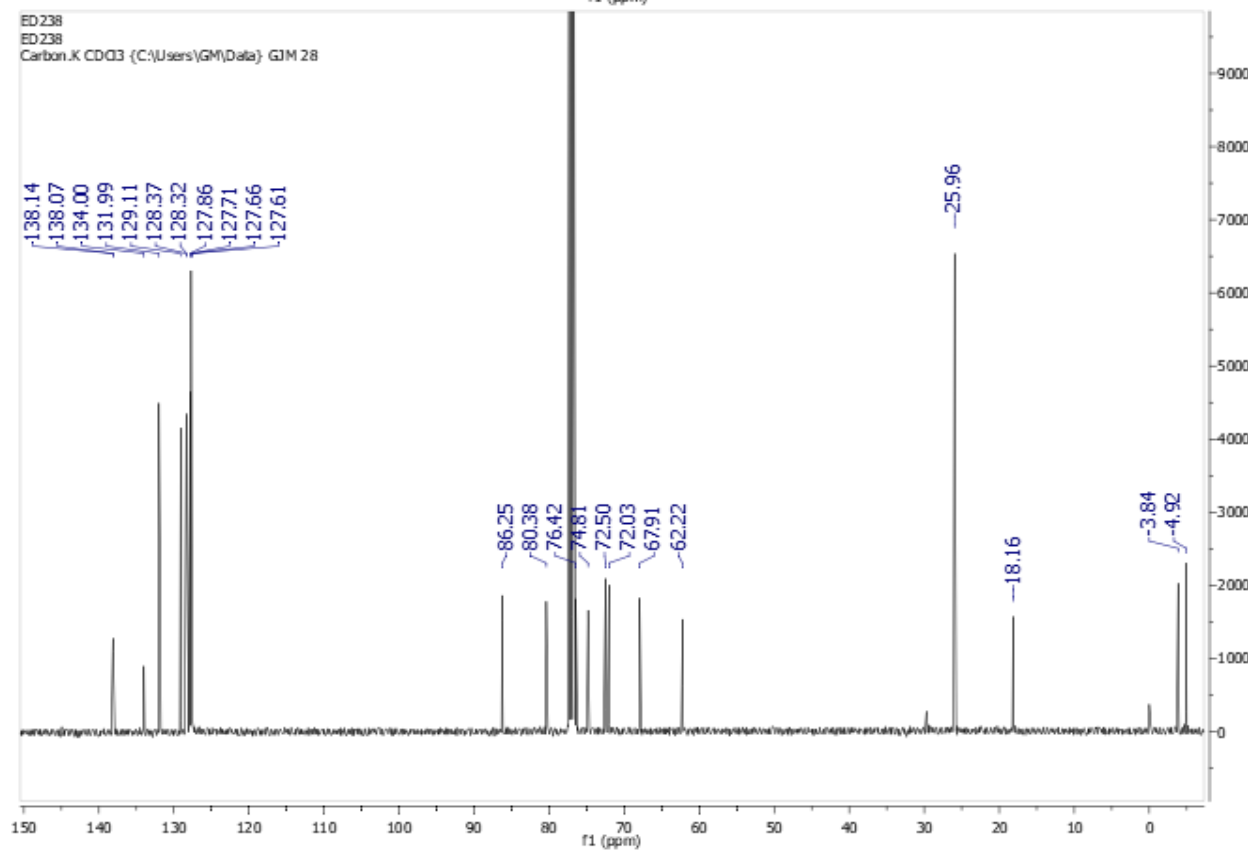
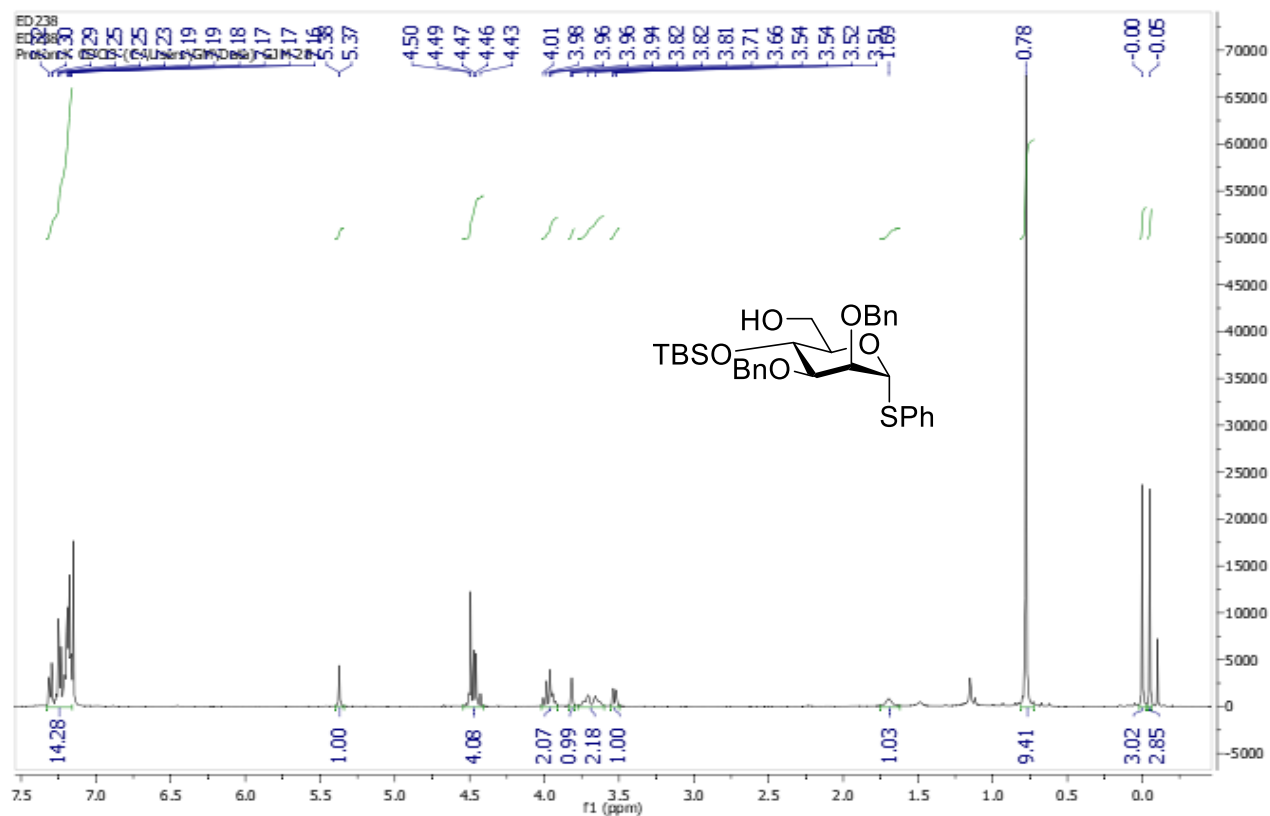
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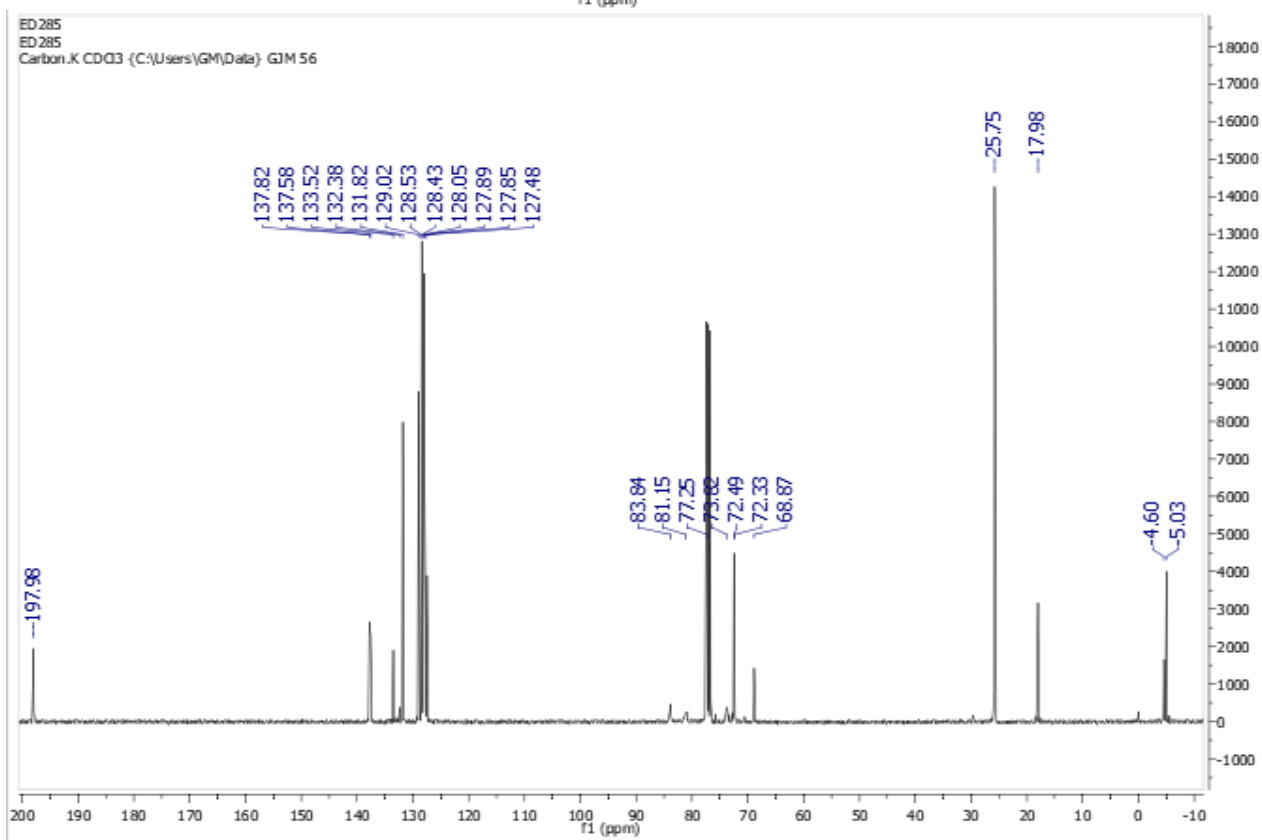
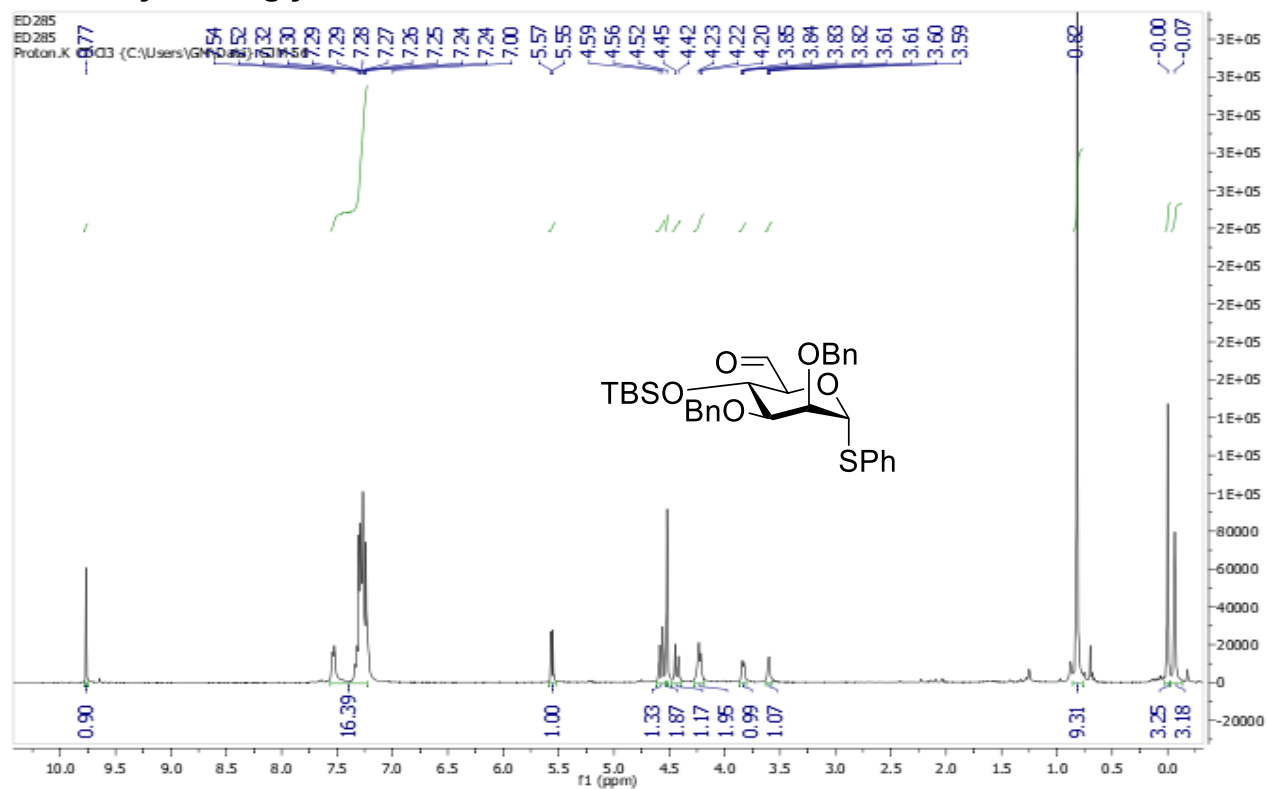
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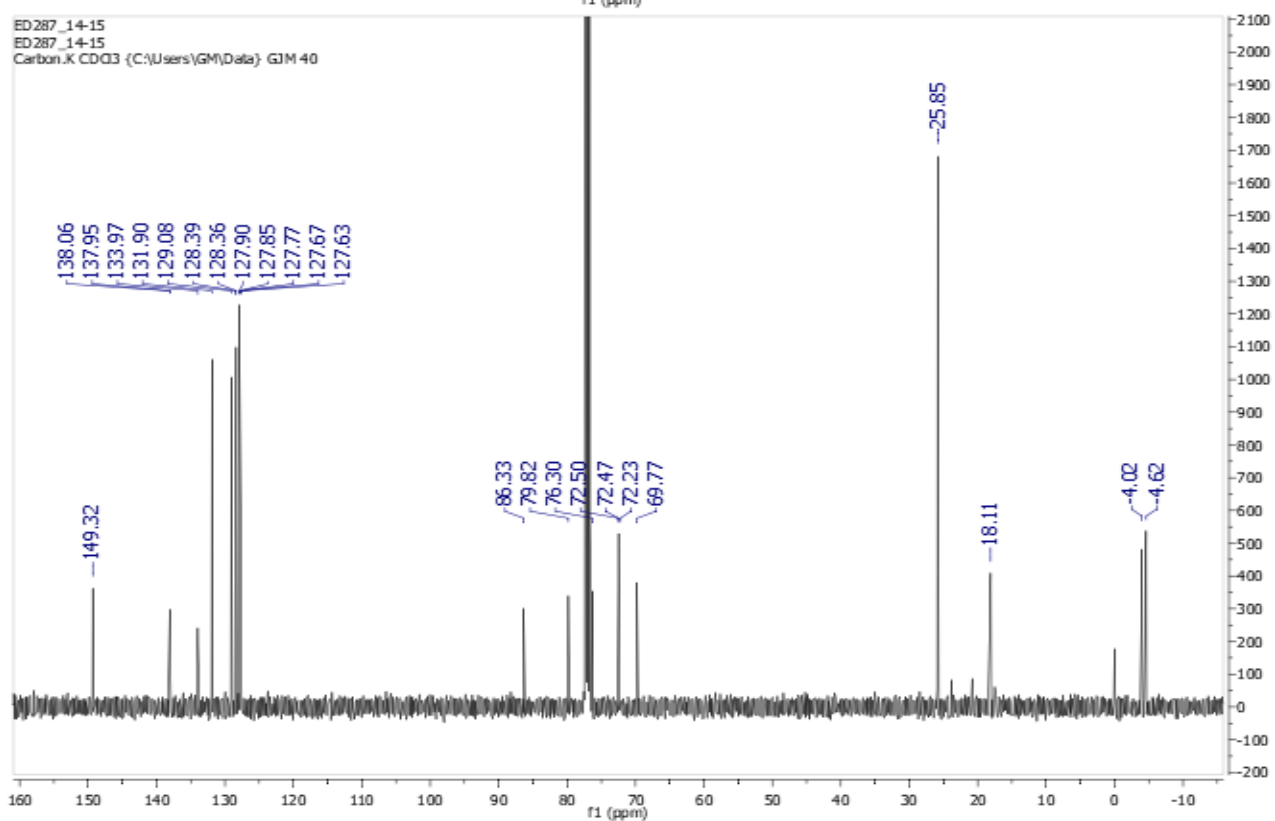
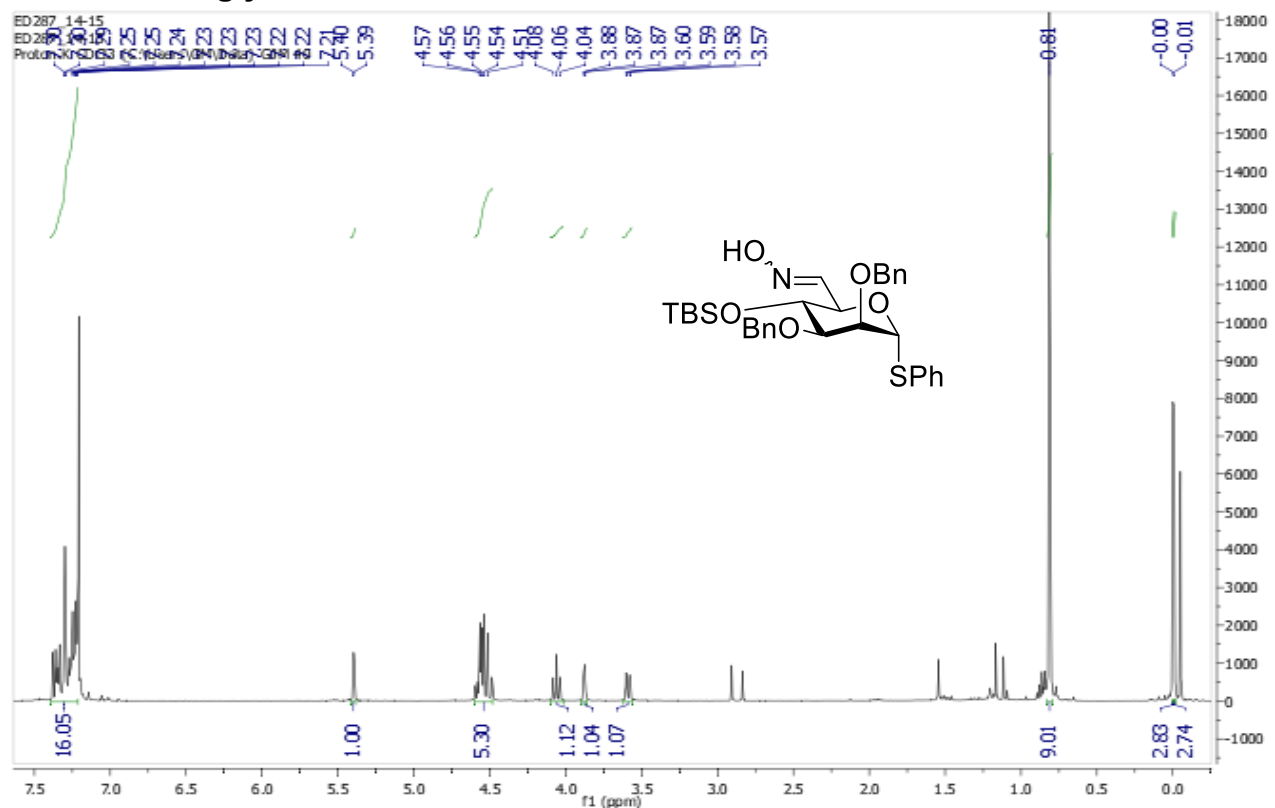
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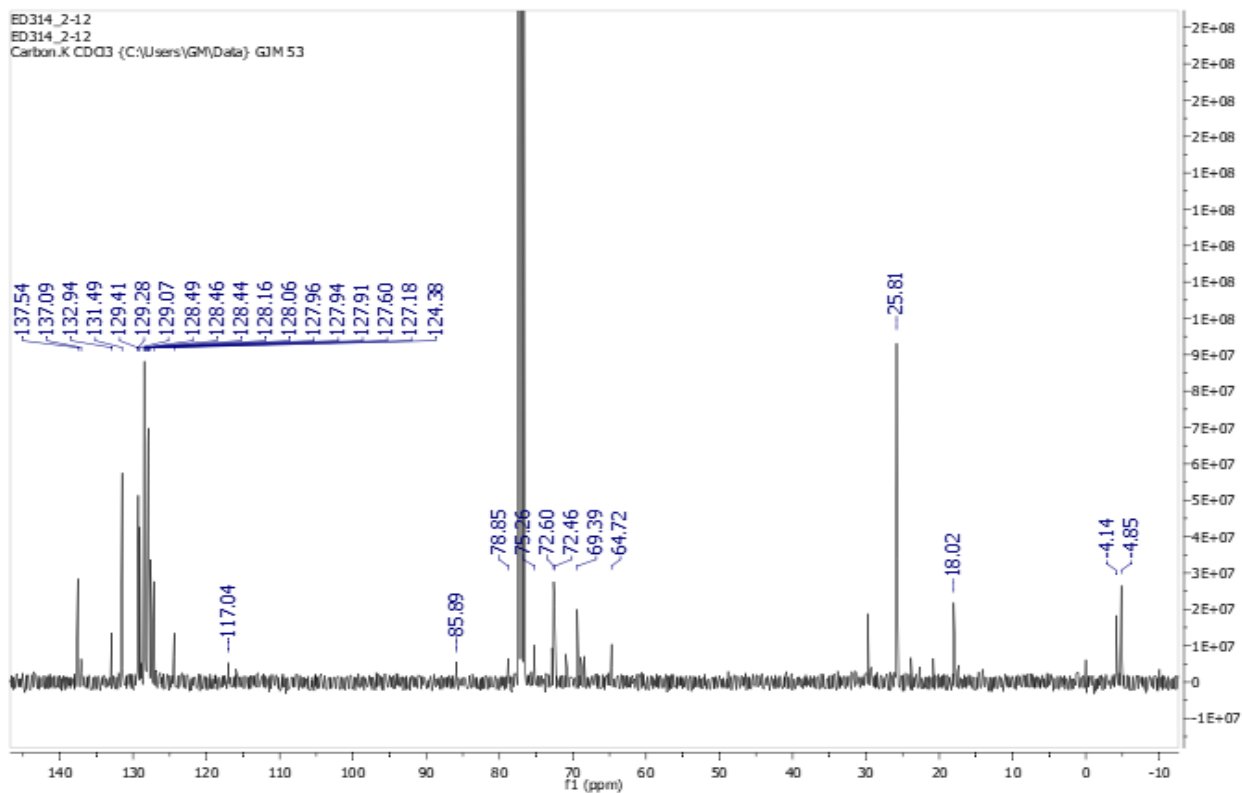
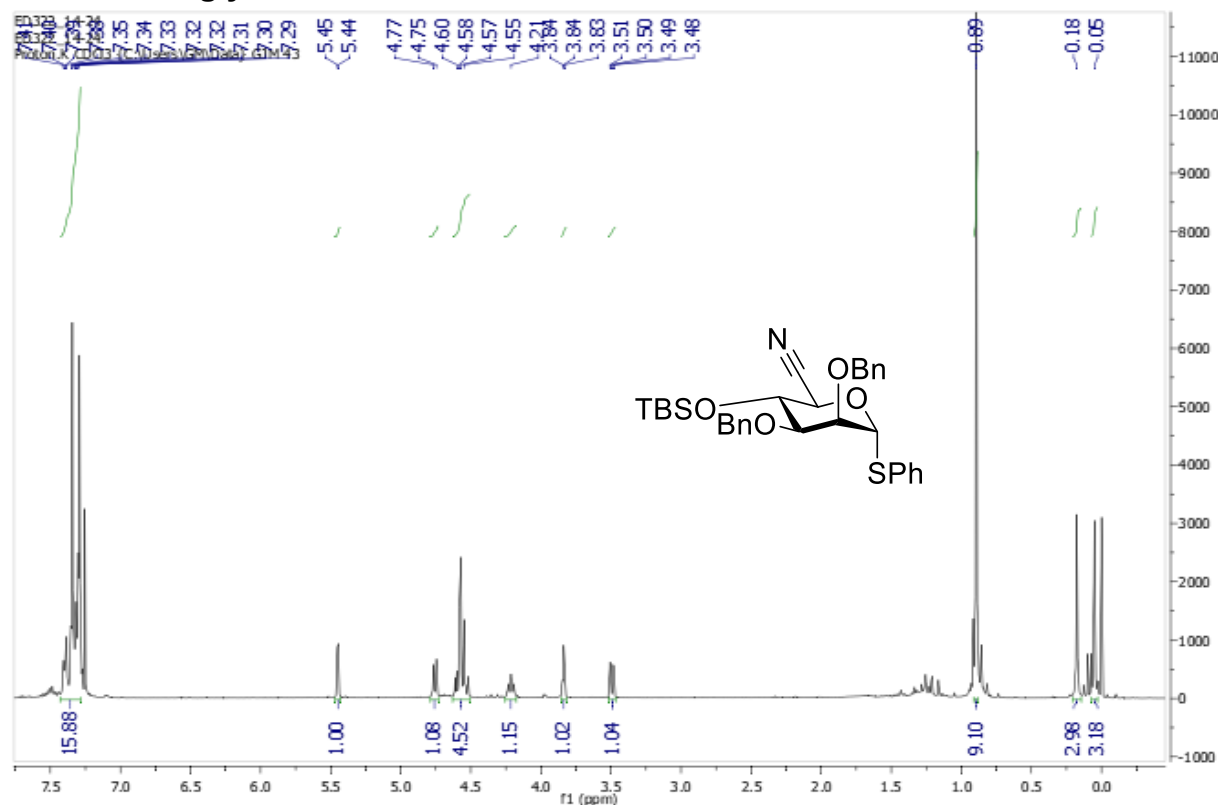
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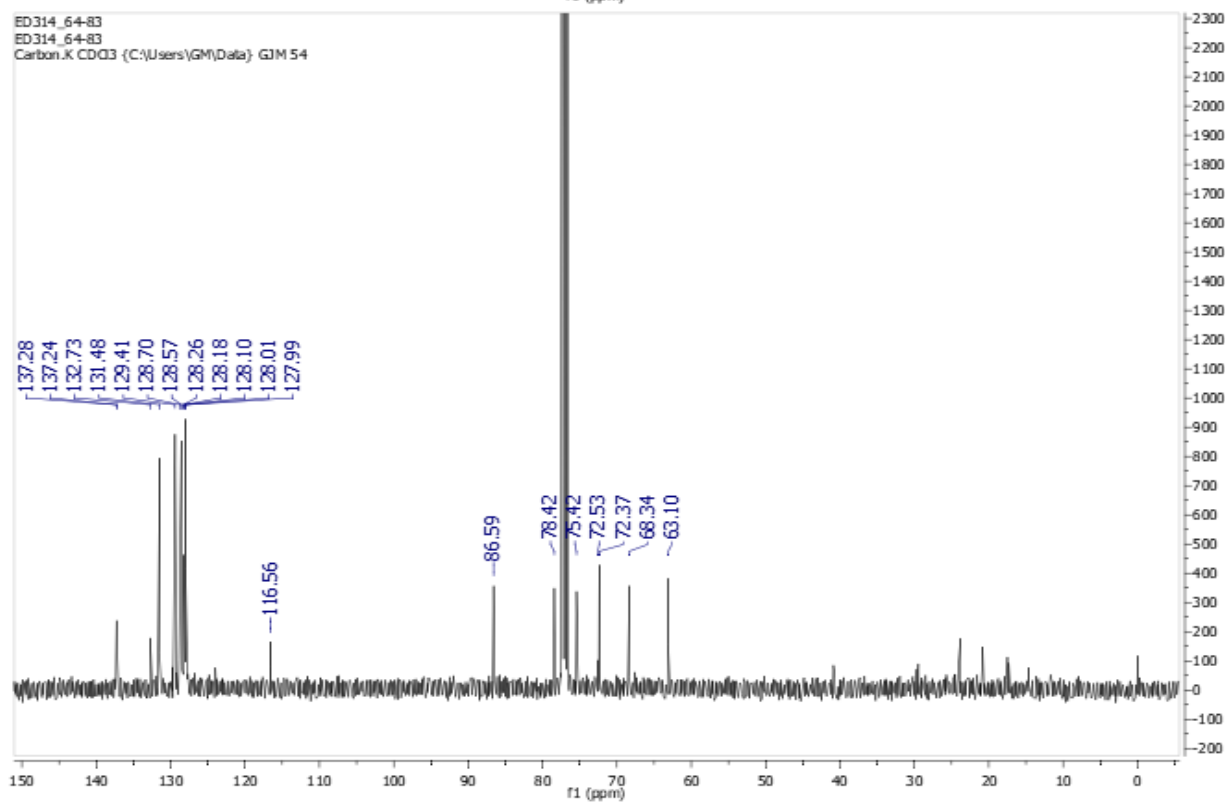
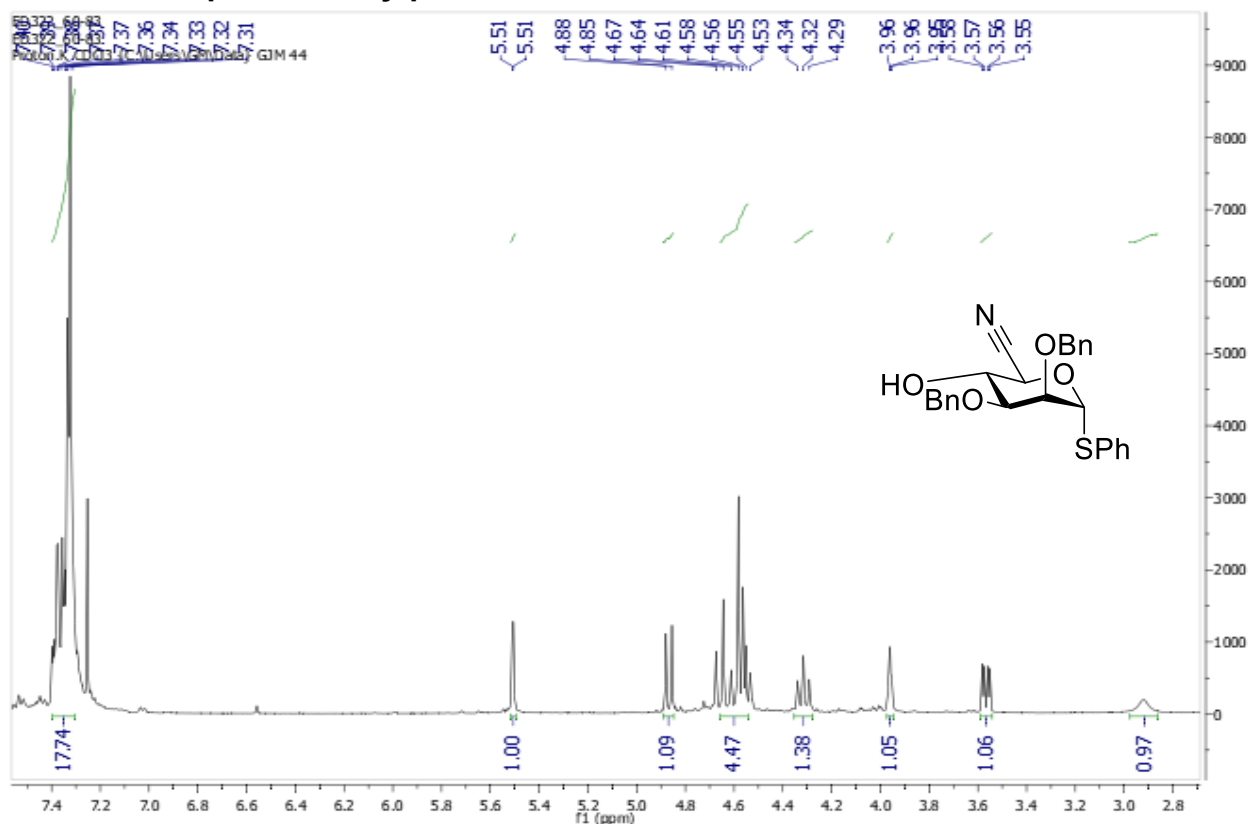
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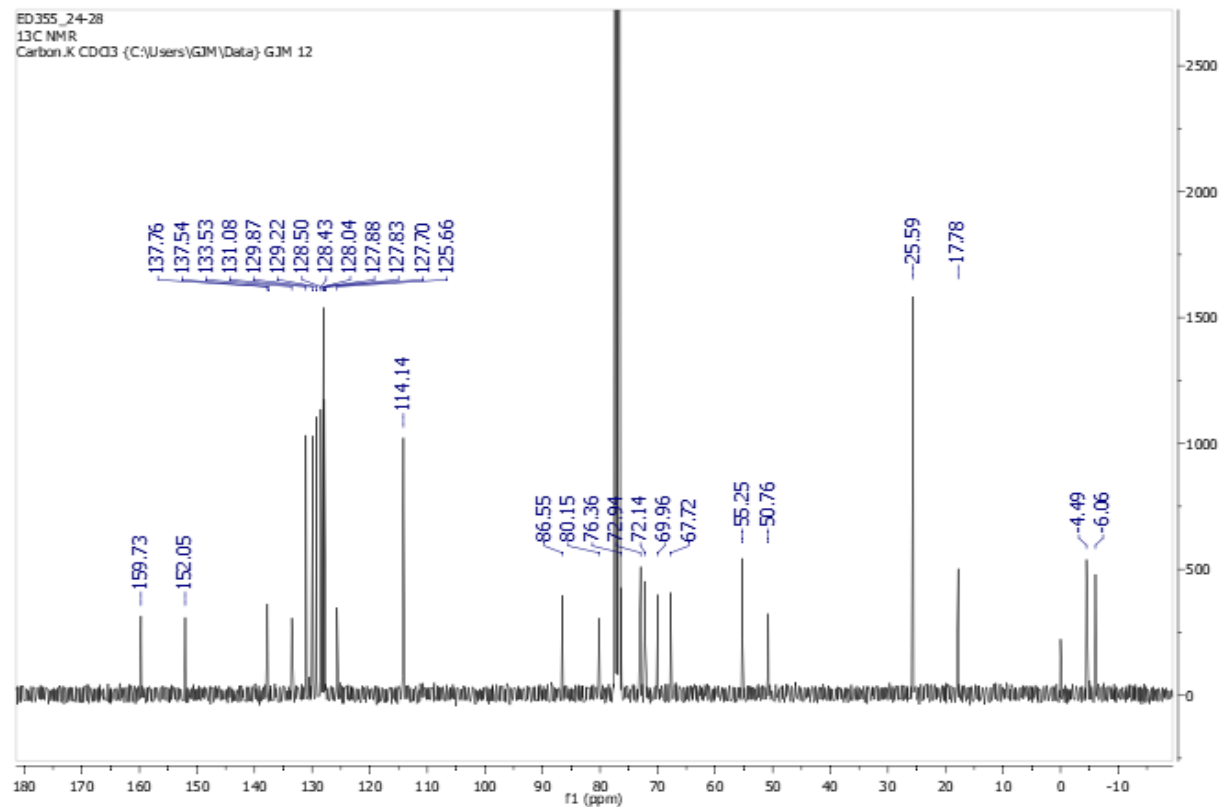
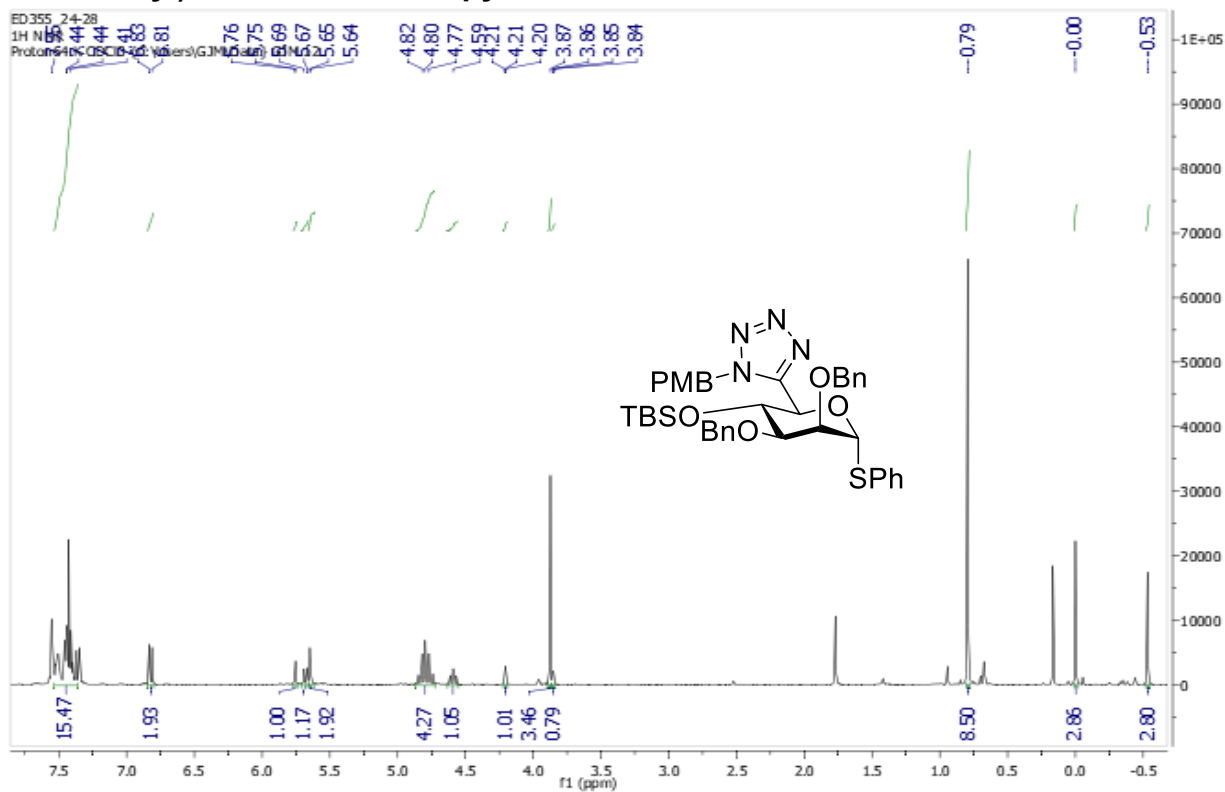
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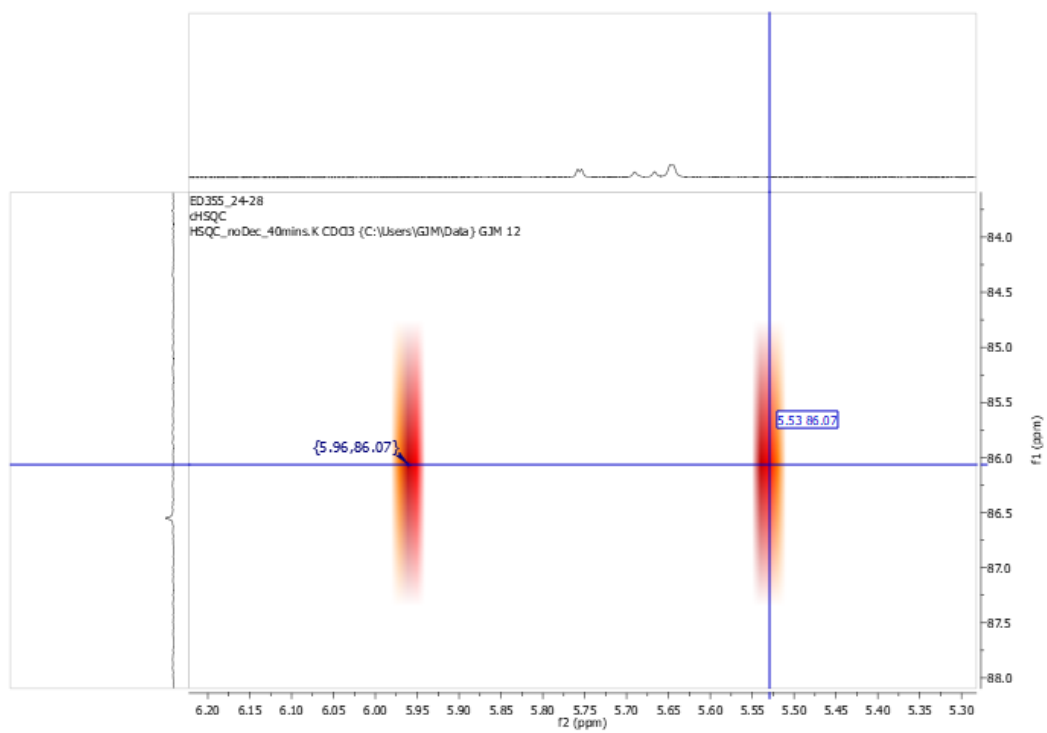
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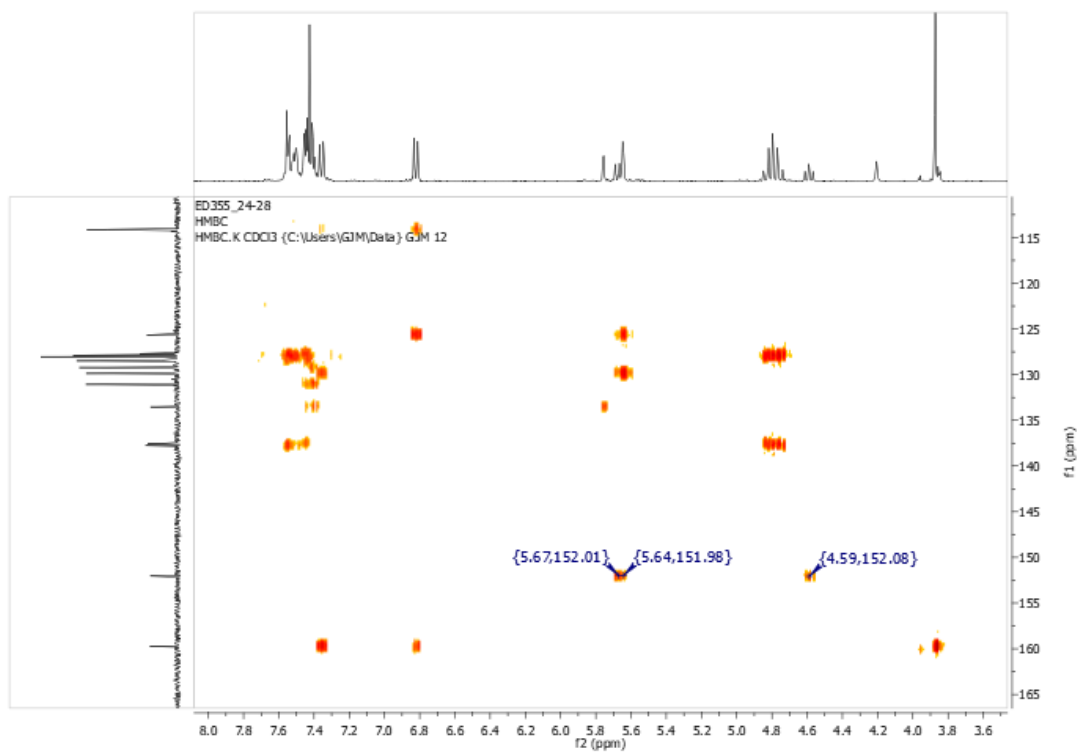
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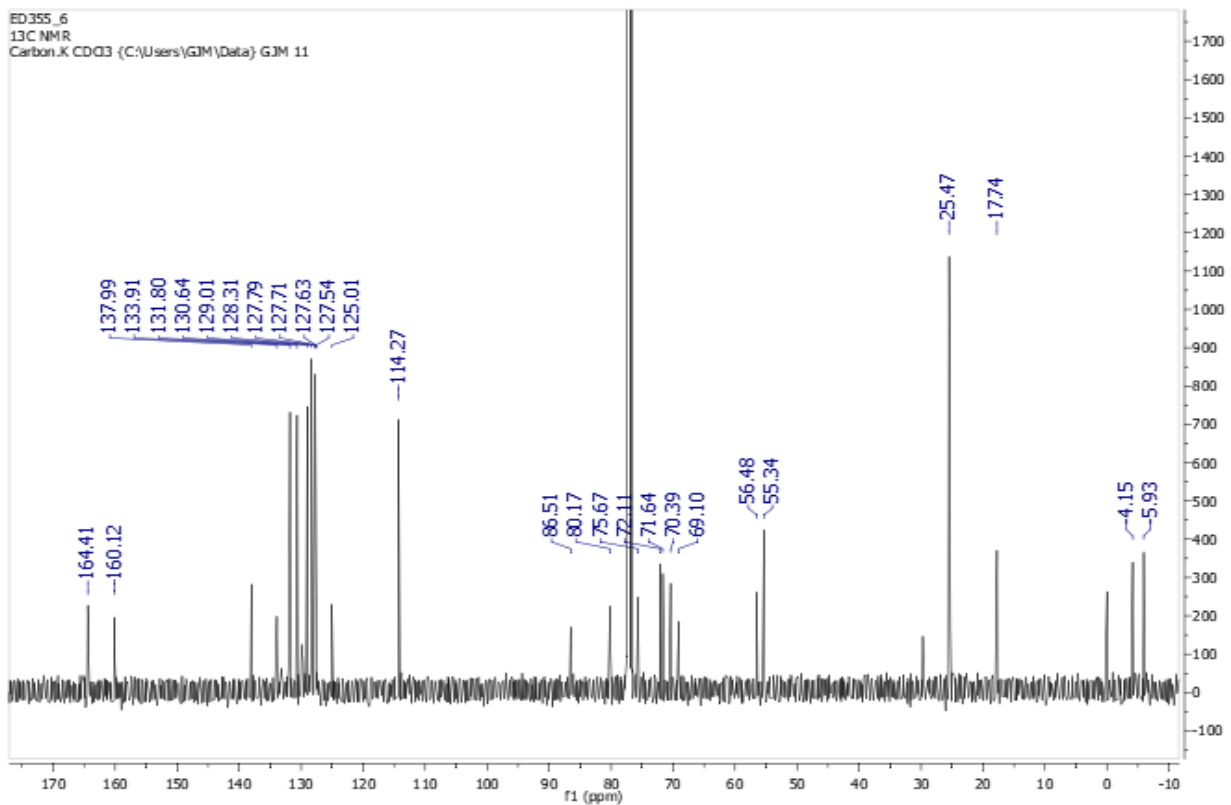
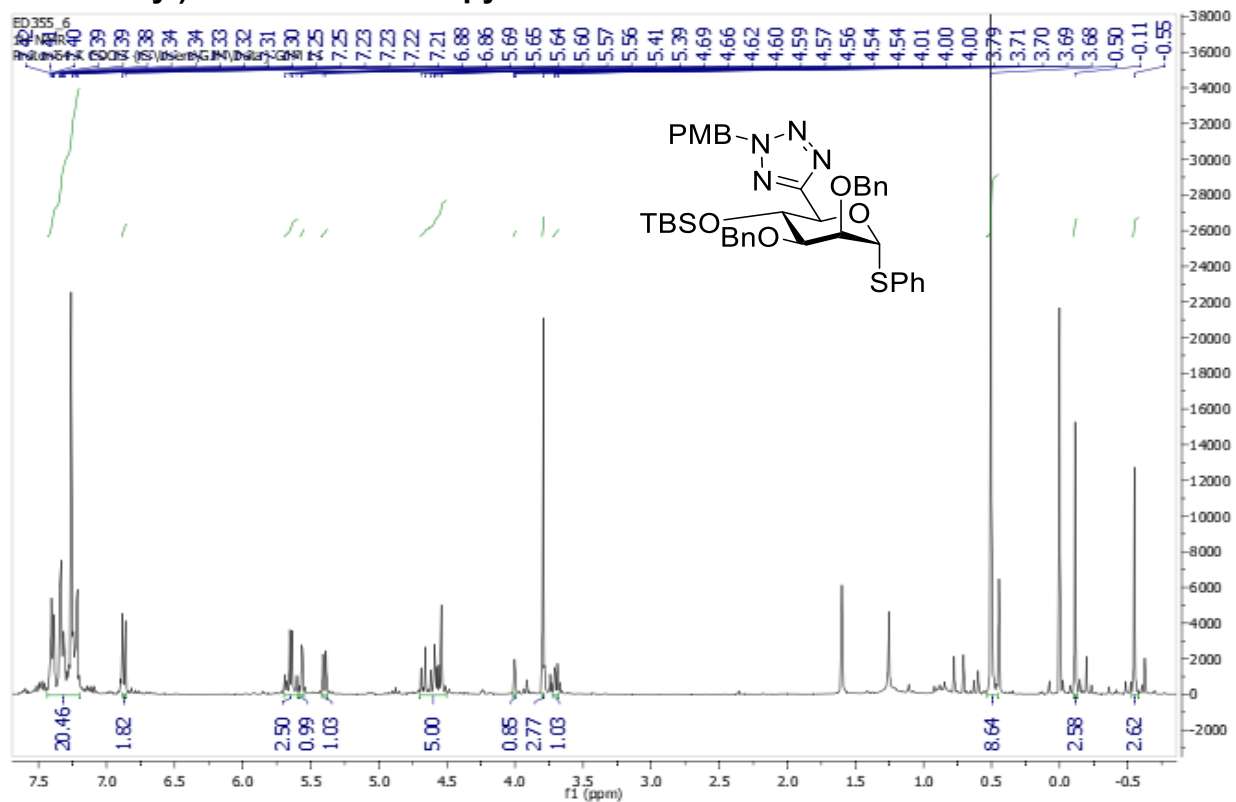
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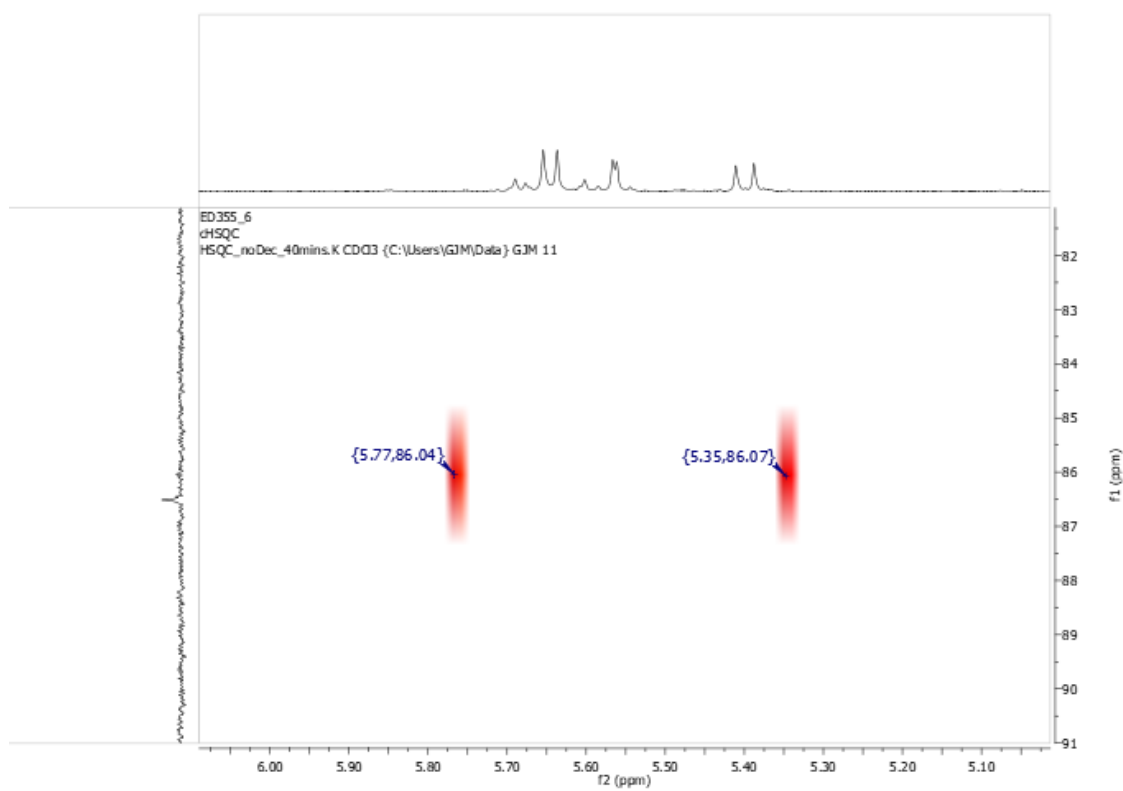
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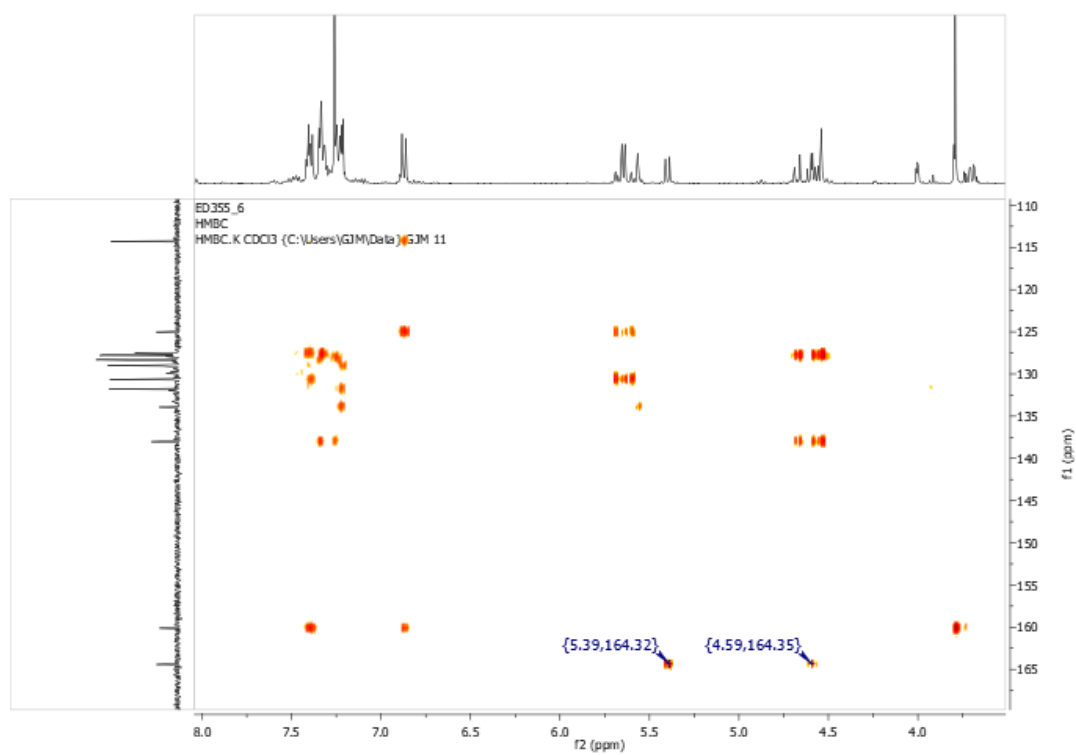
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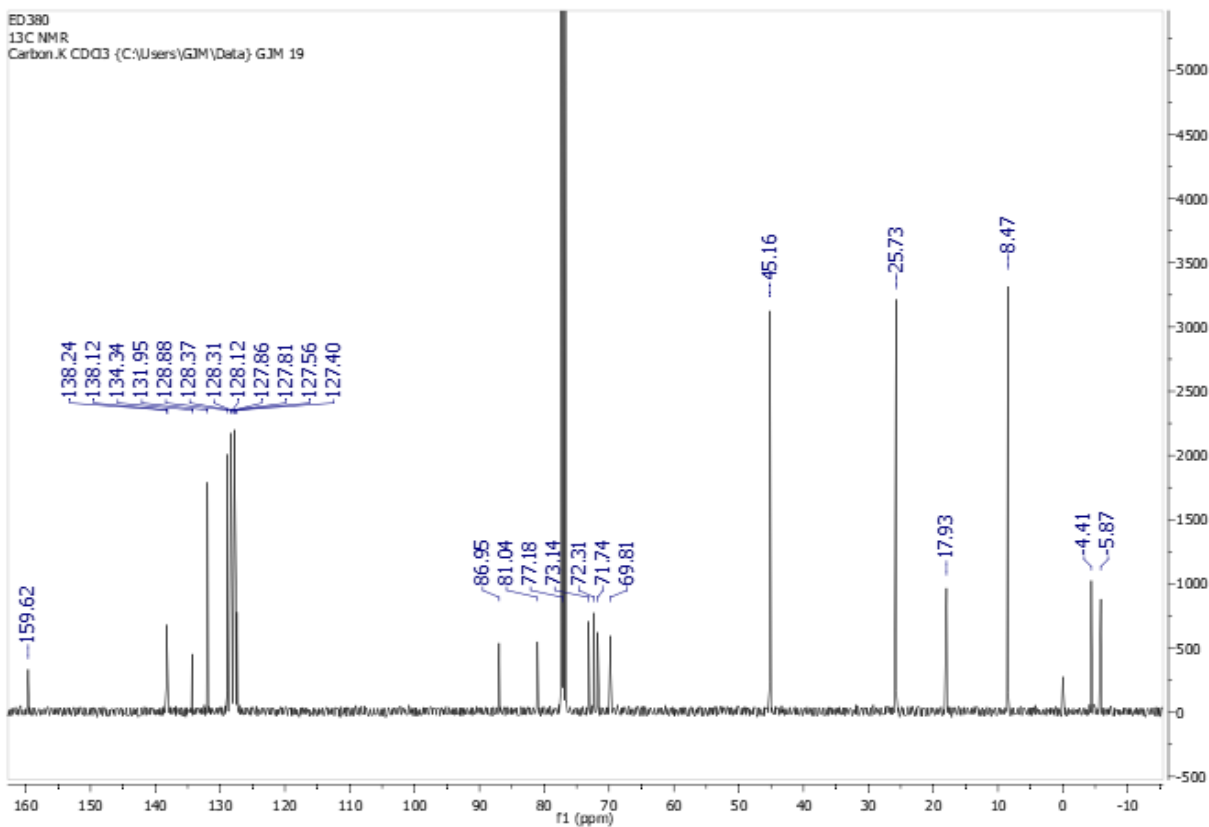
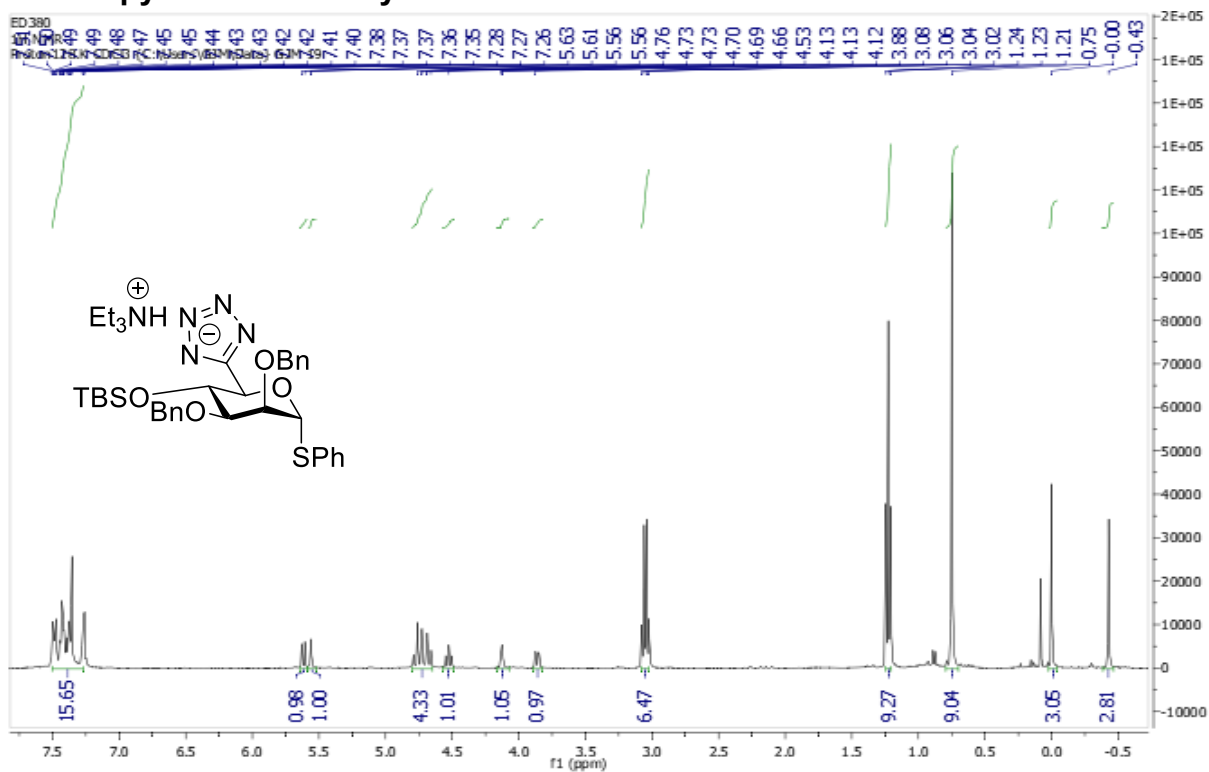
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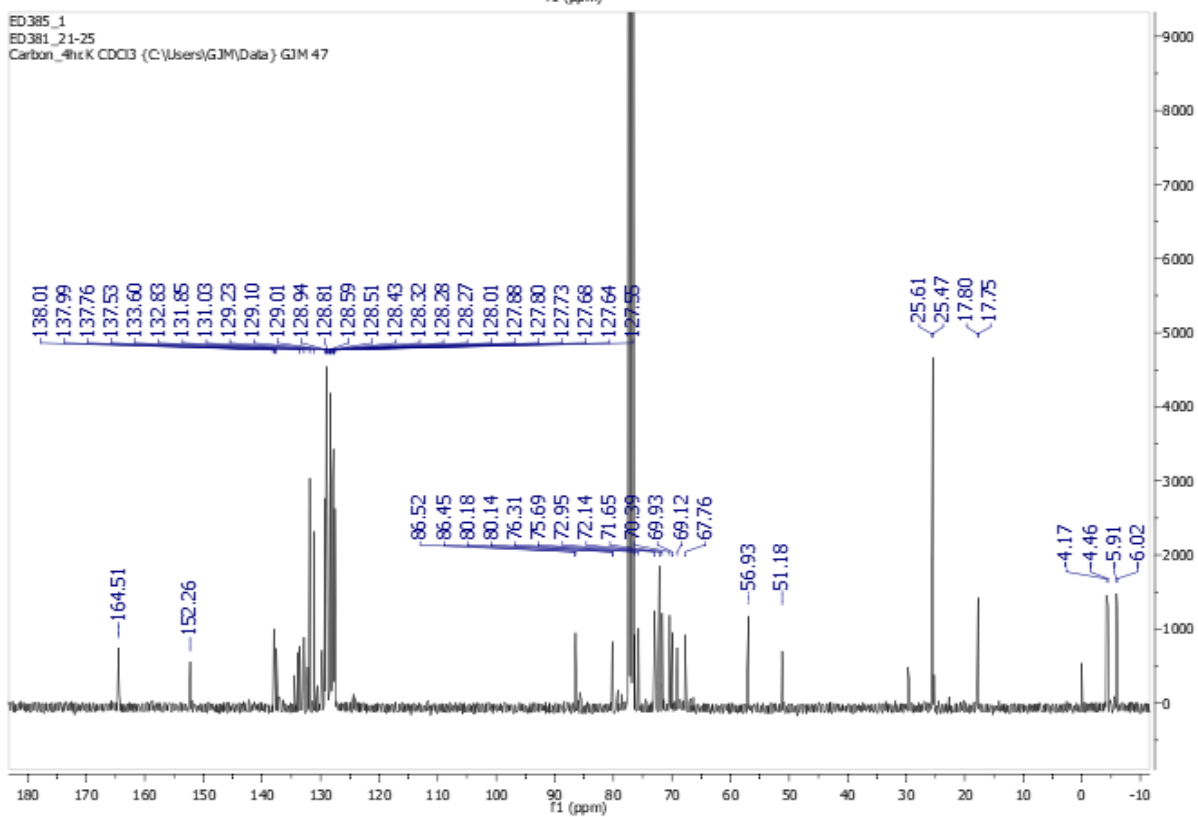
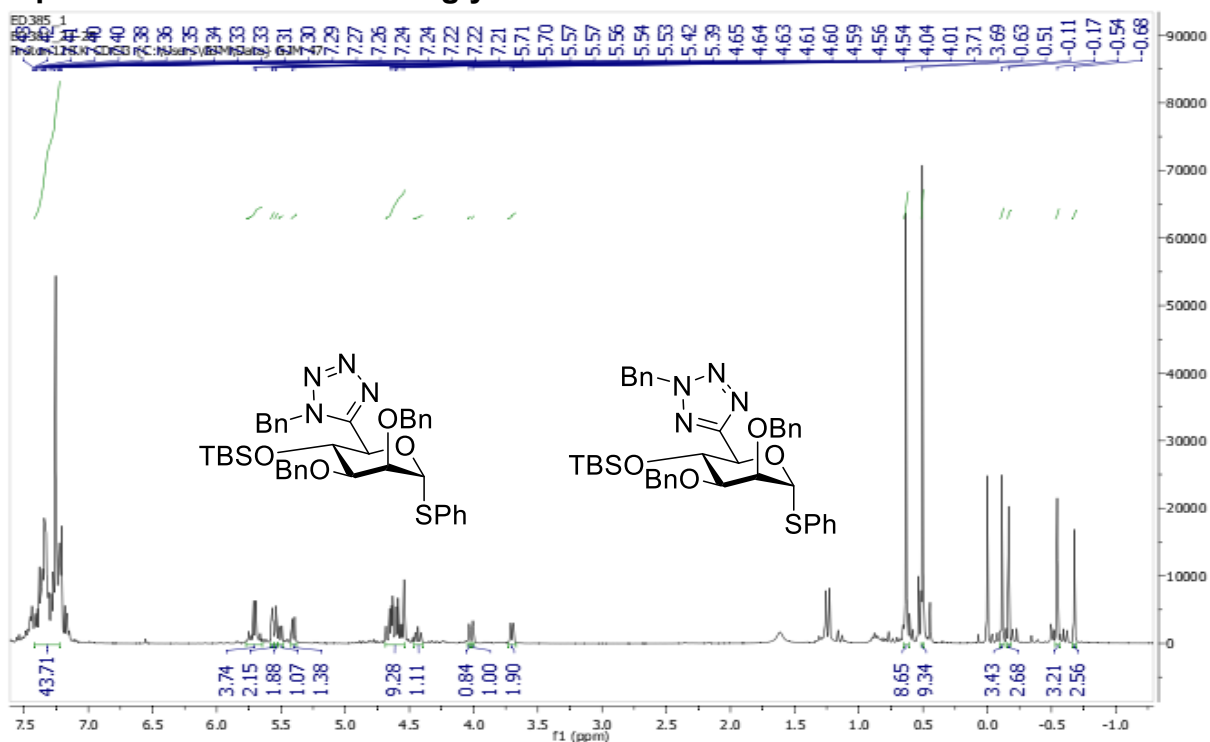
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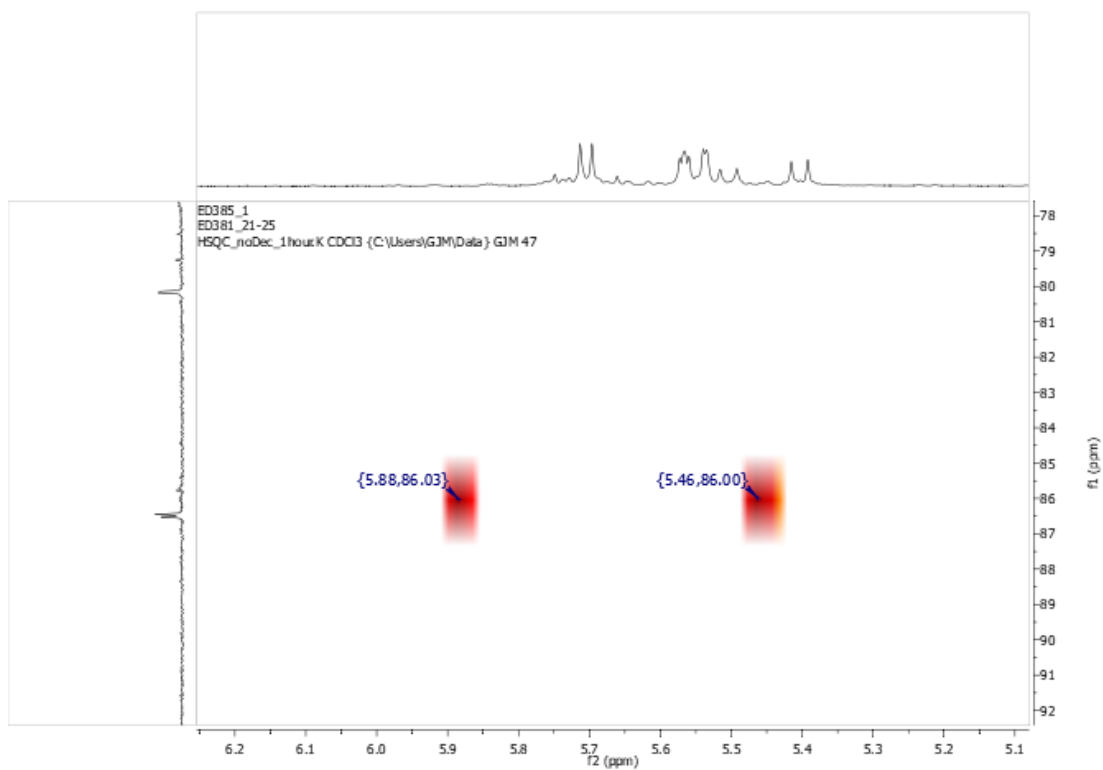
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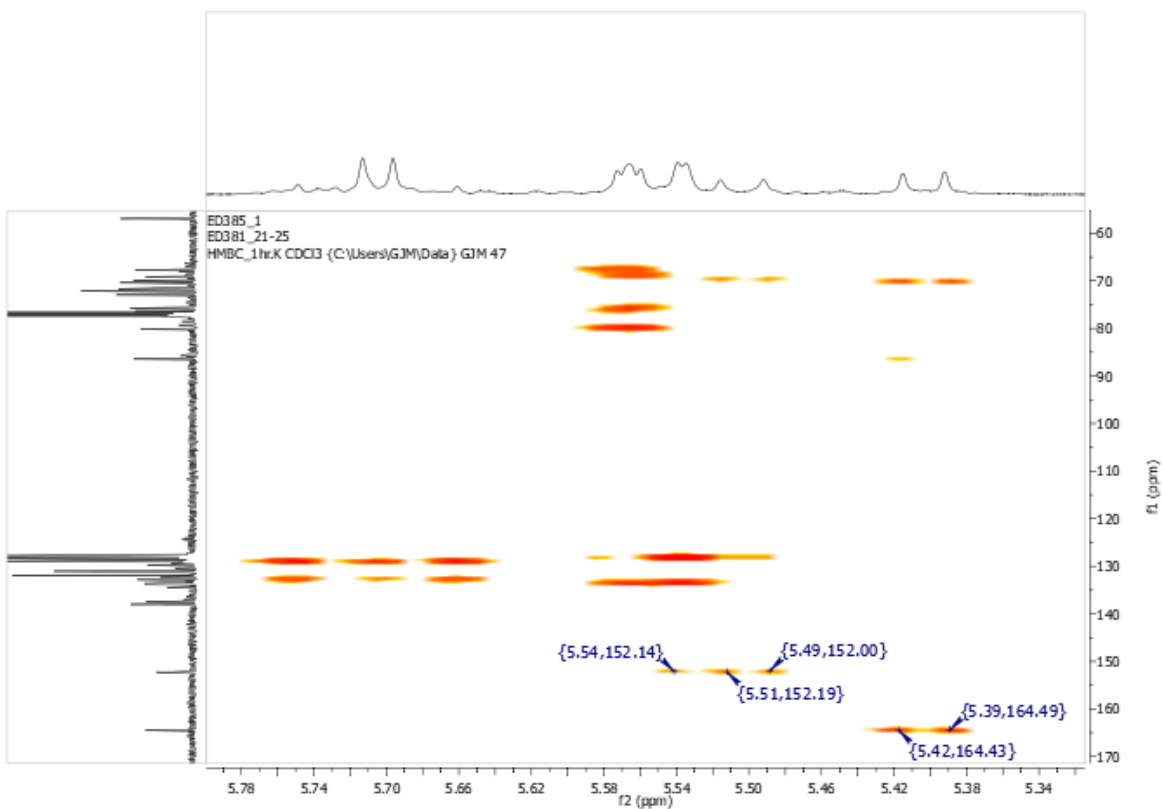
Bn protected C6-tetrazole thioglycosides 13 and 14



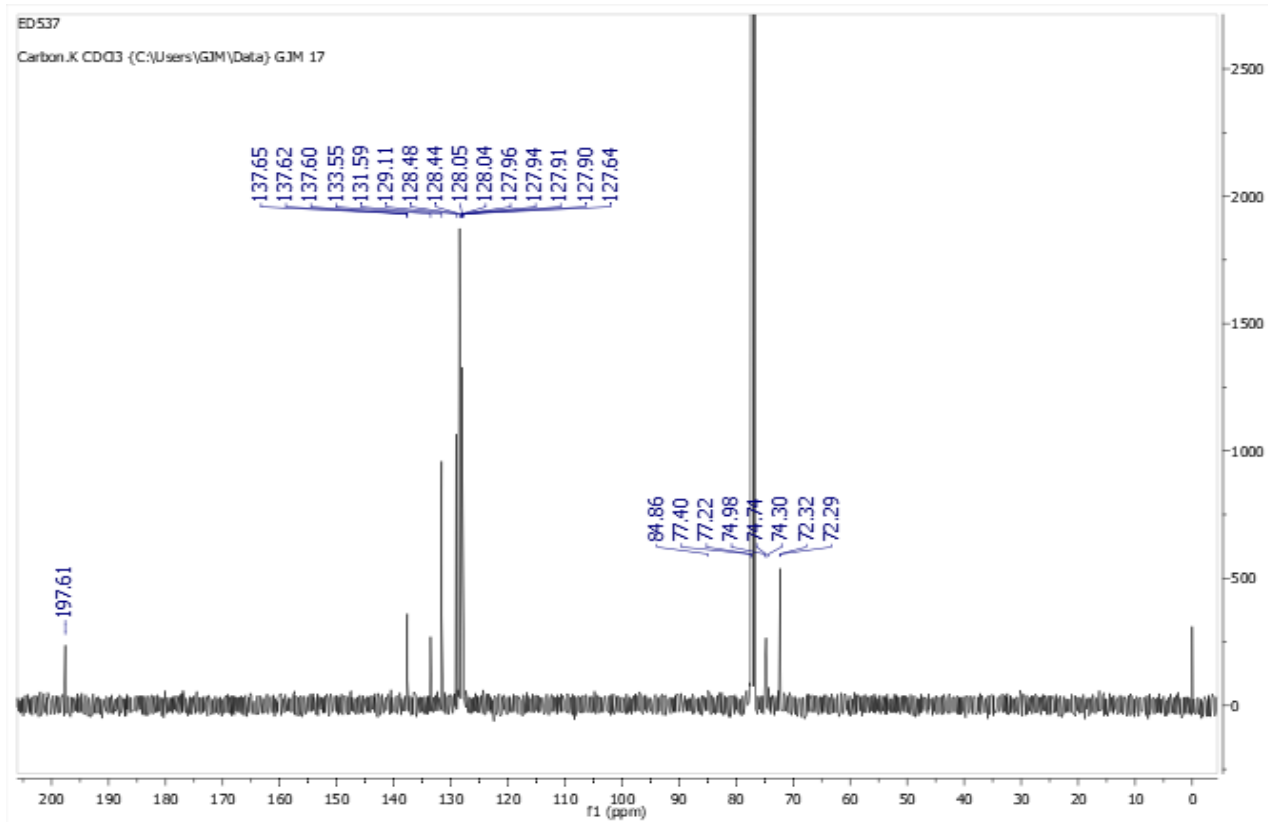
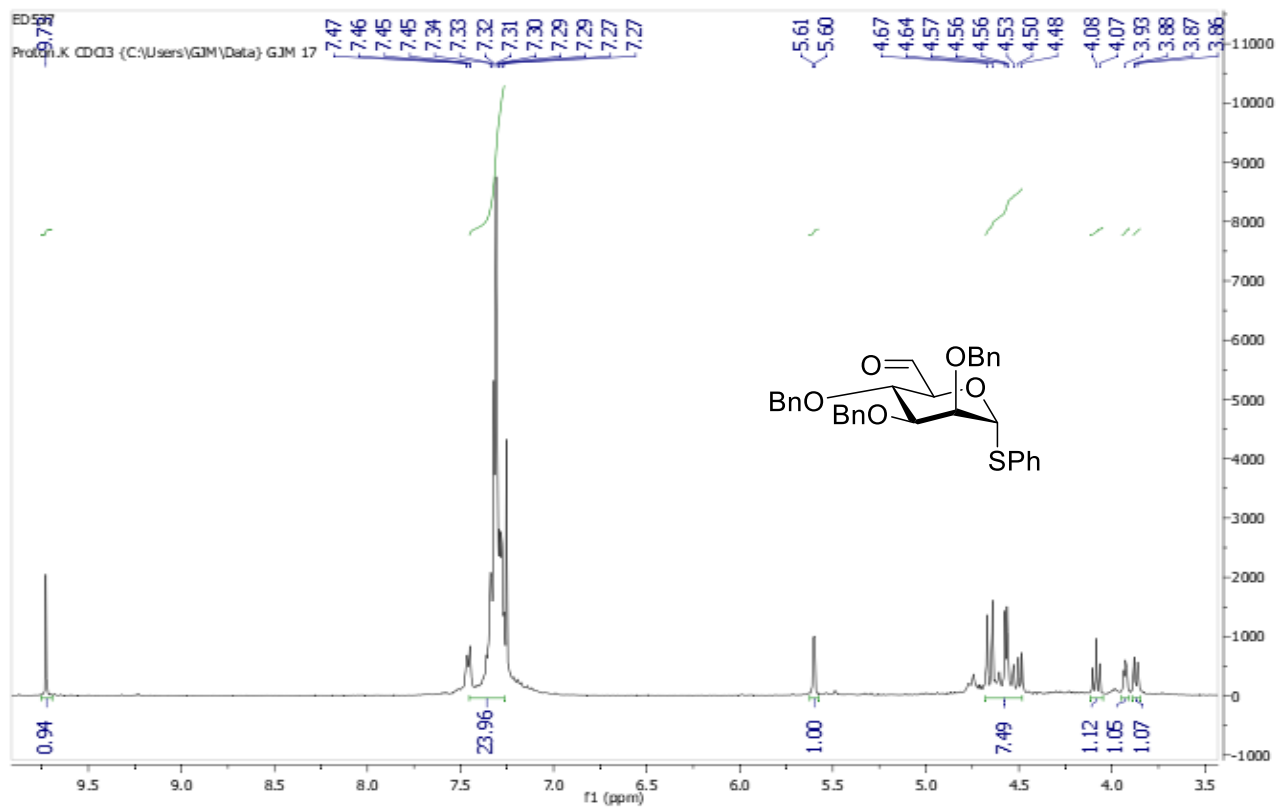
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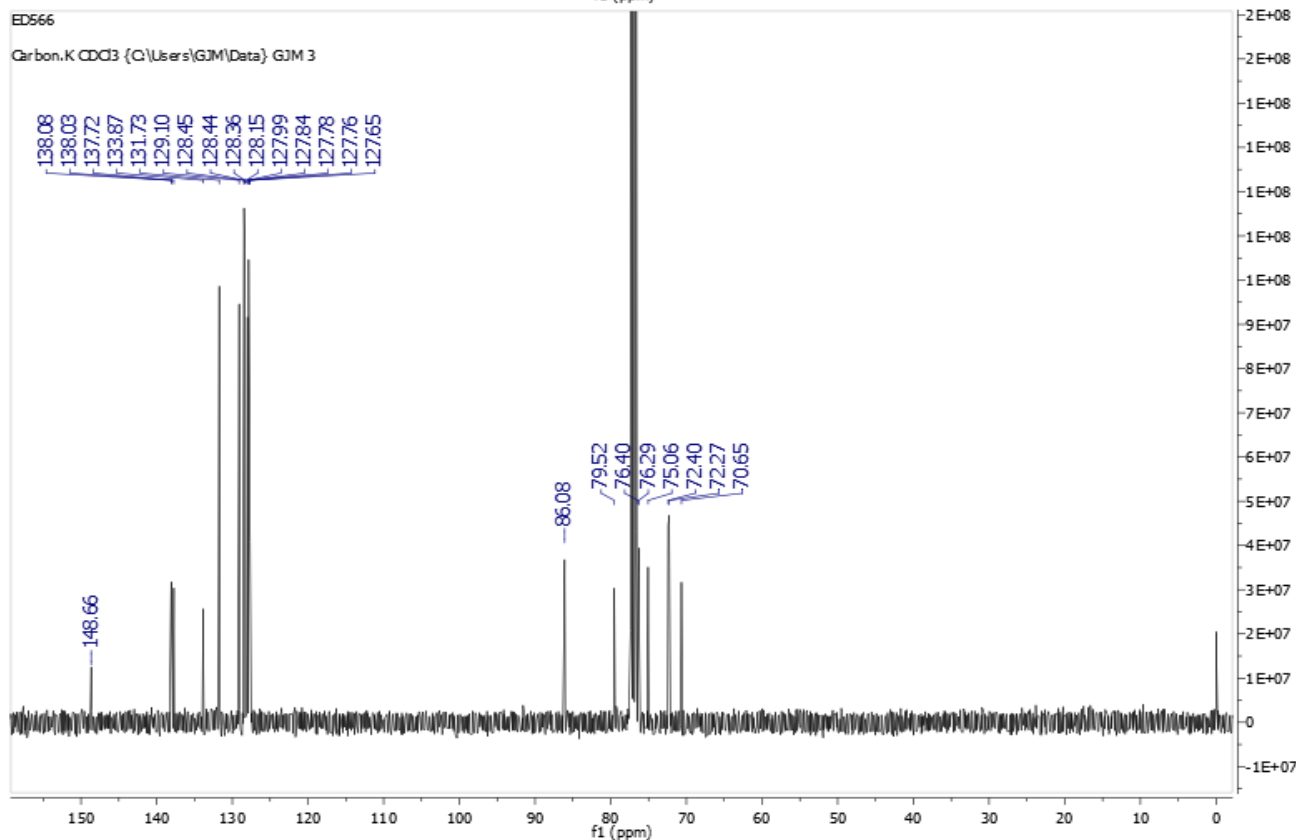
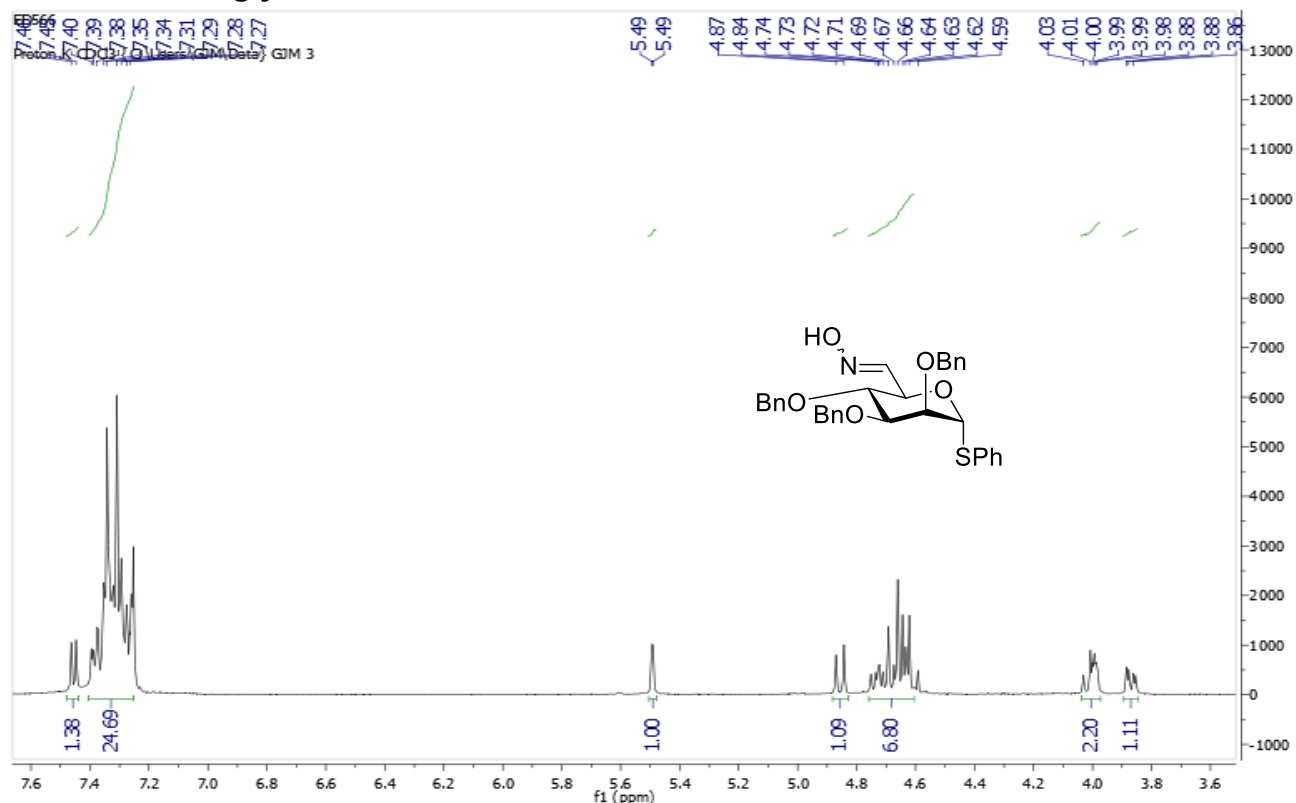
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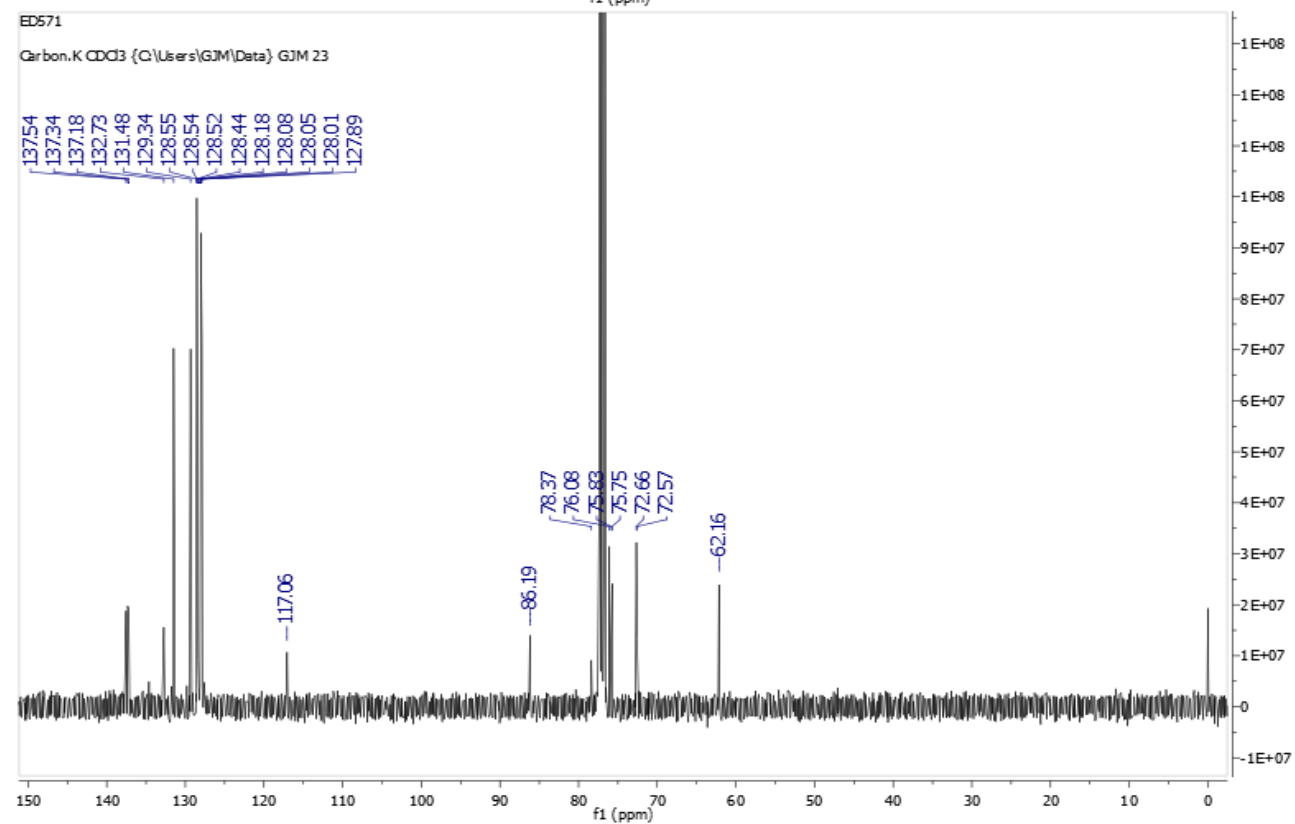
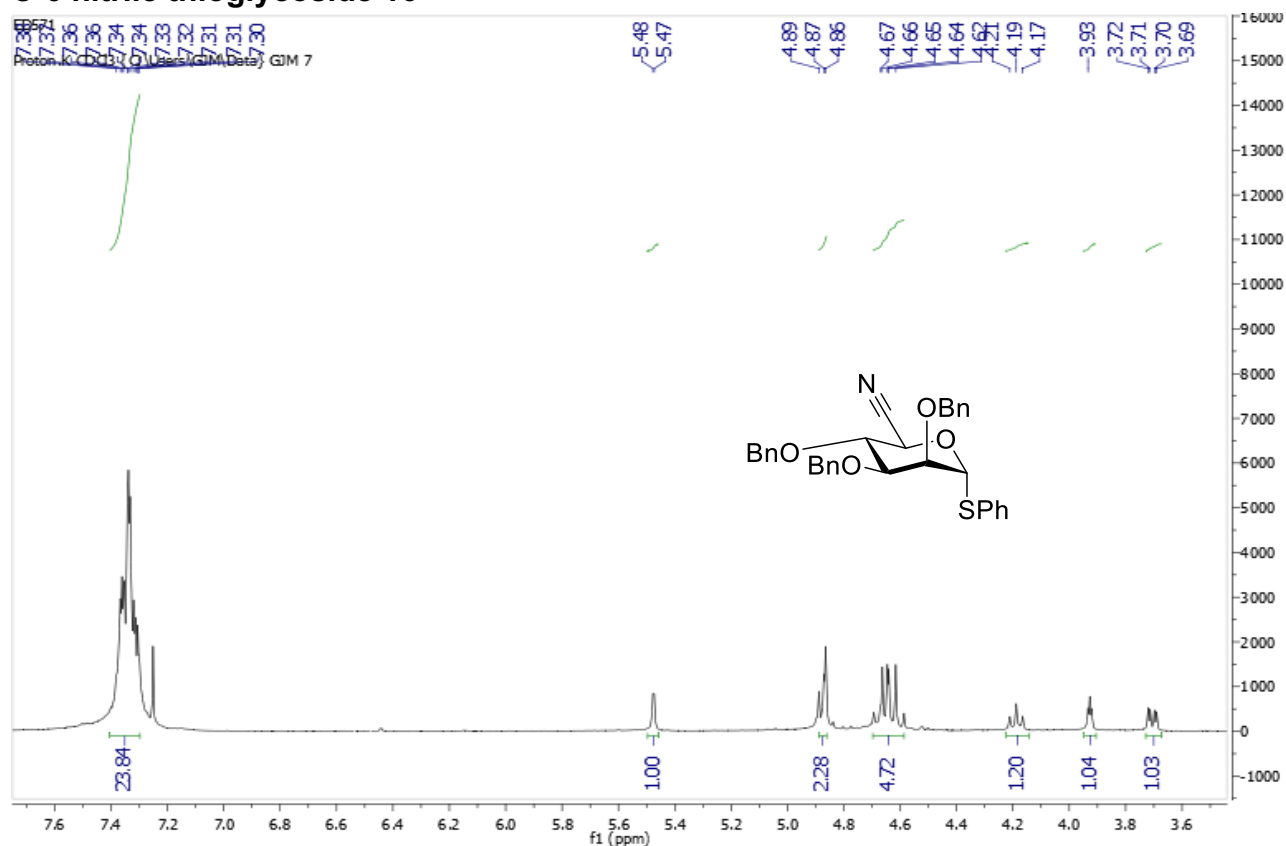
C-6 Aldehyde thioglycoside intermediate



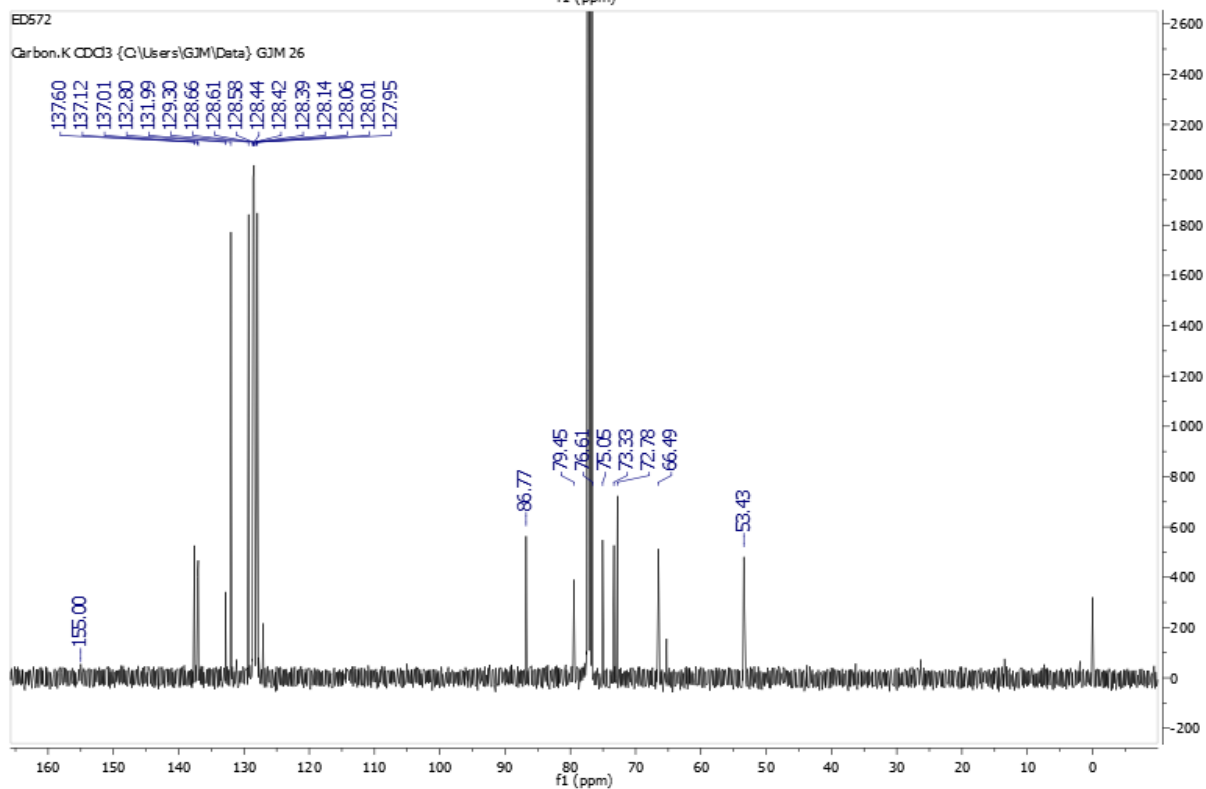
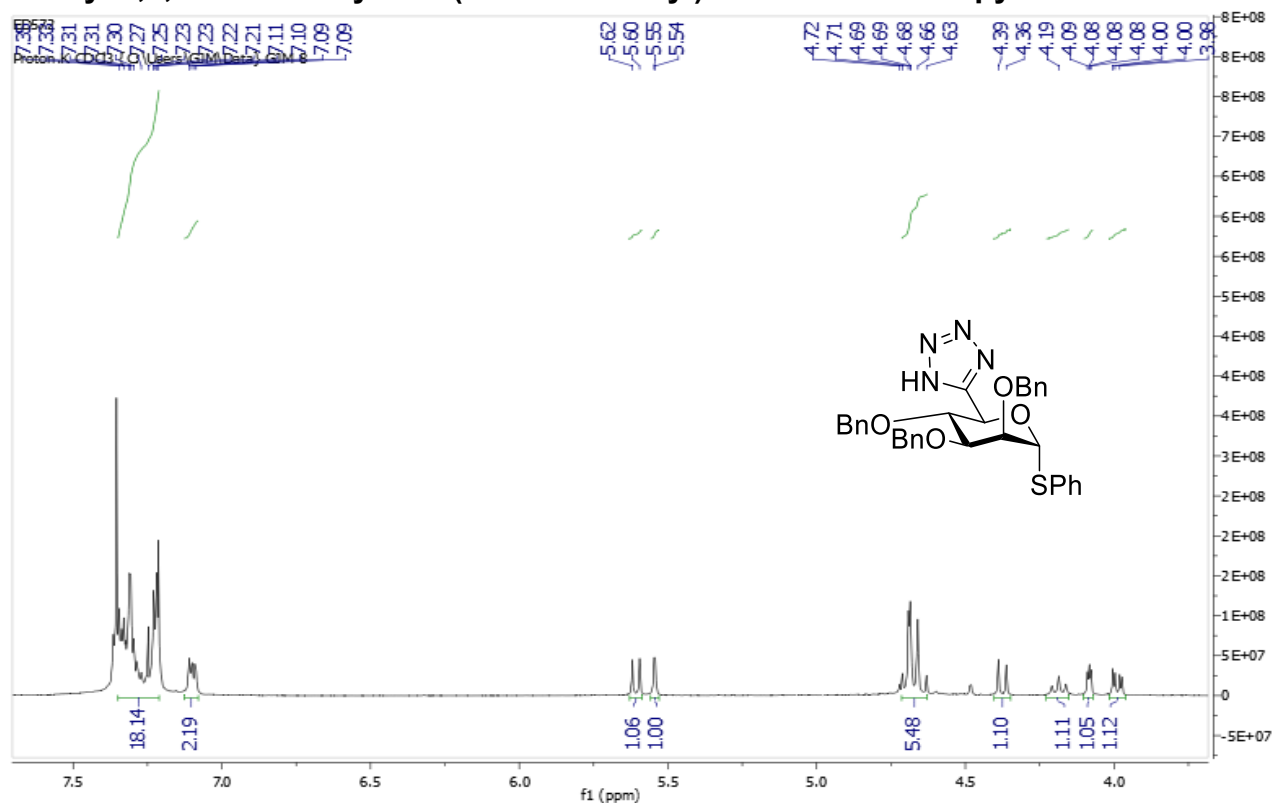
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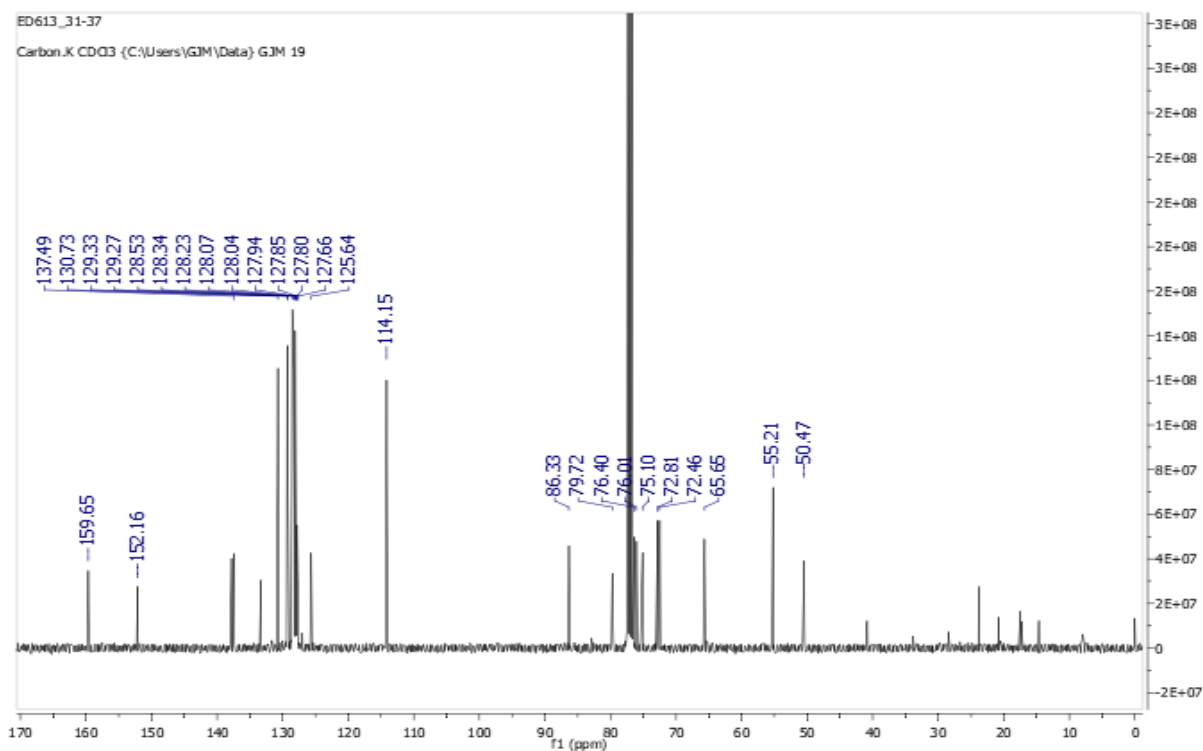
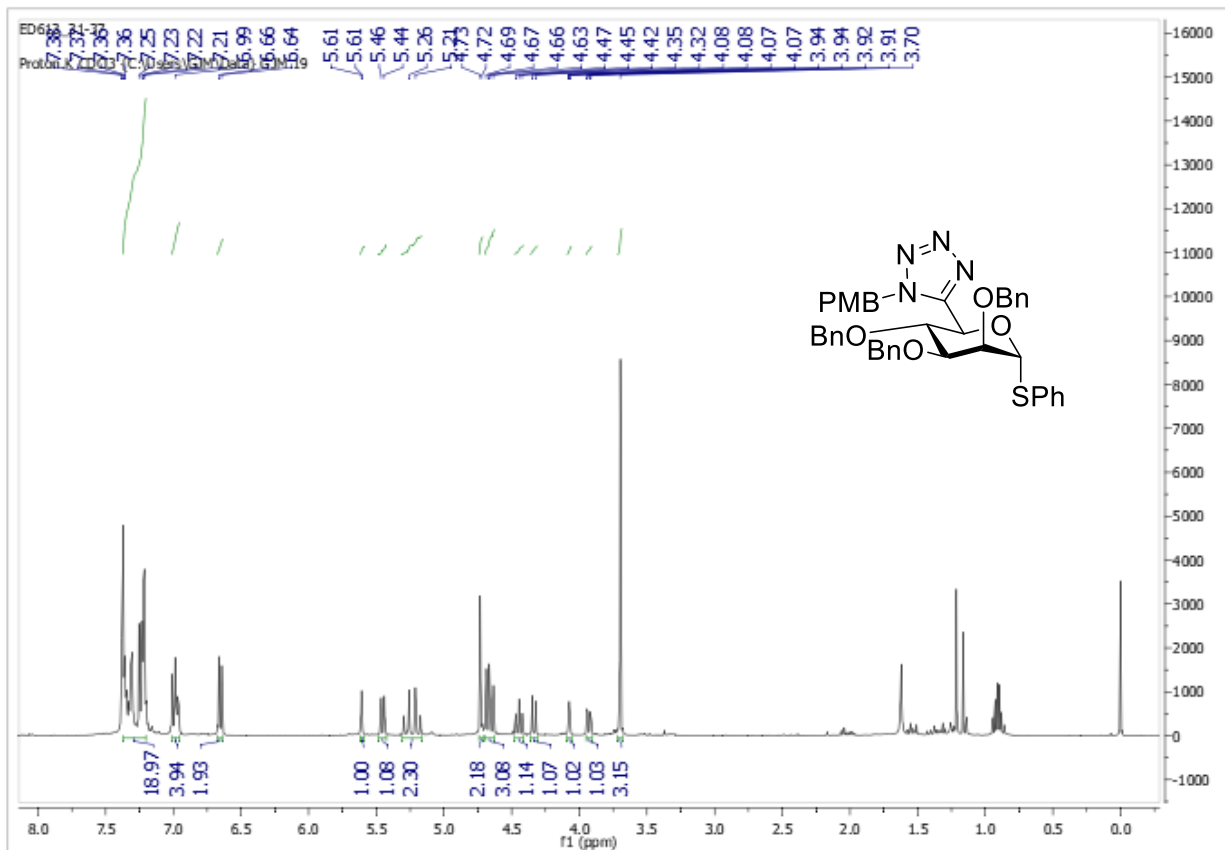
C-6 nitrile thioglycoside 16



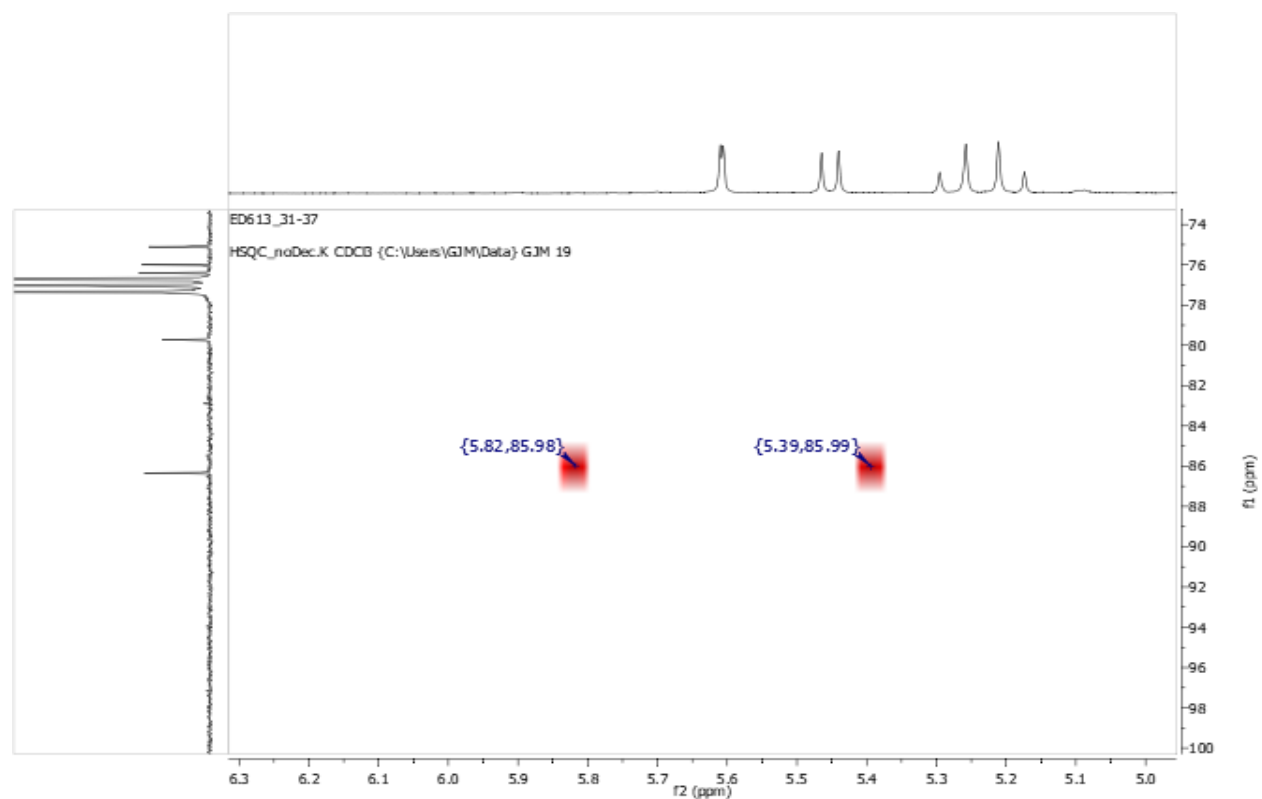
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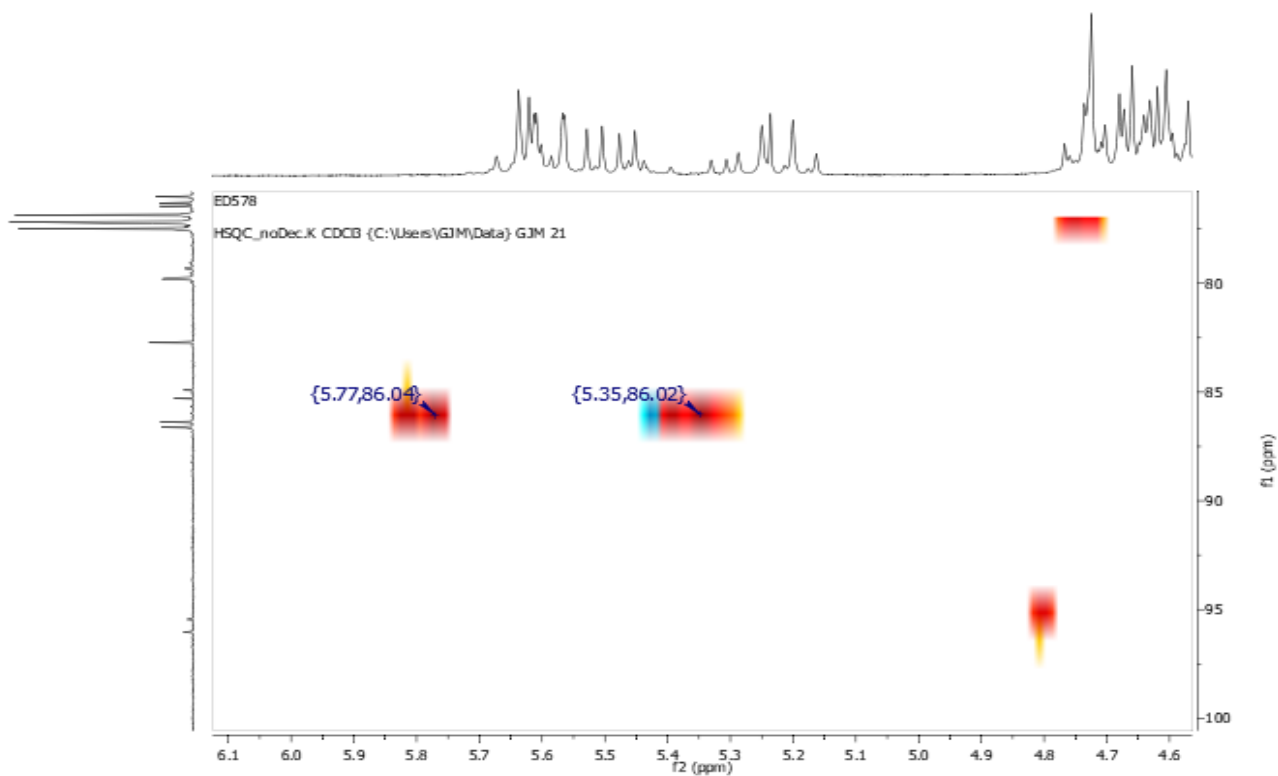
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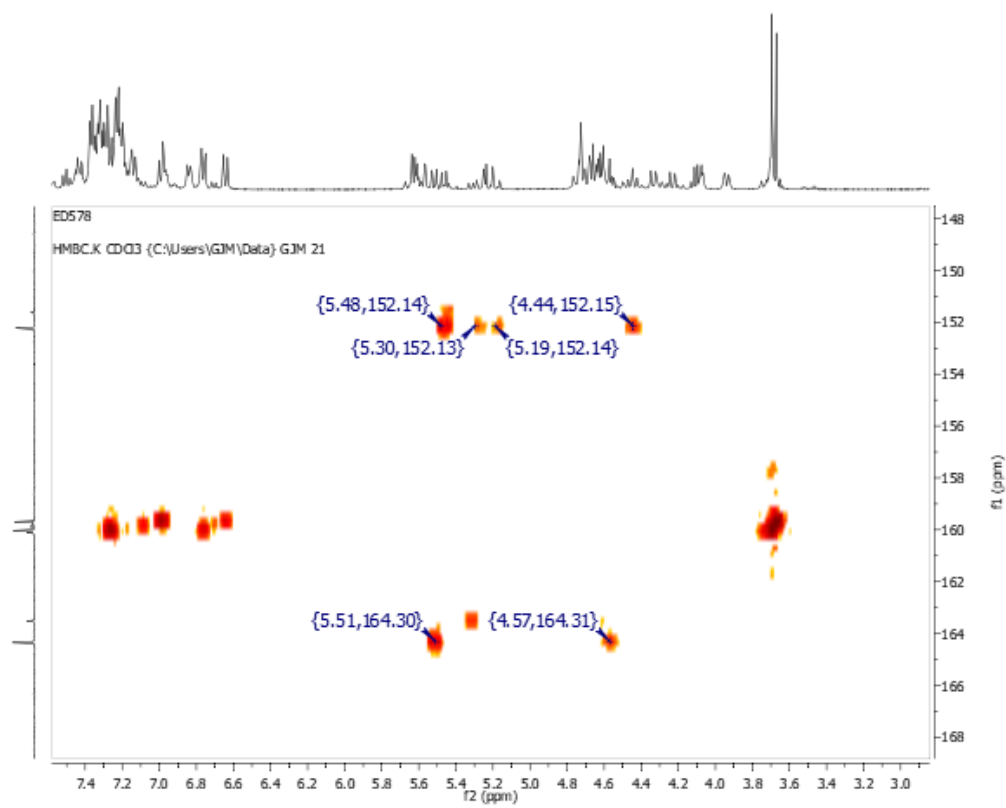
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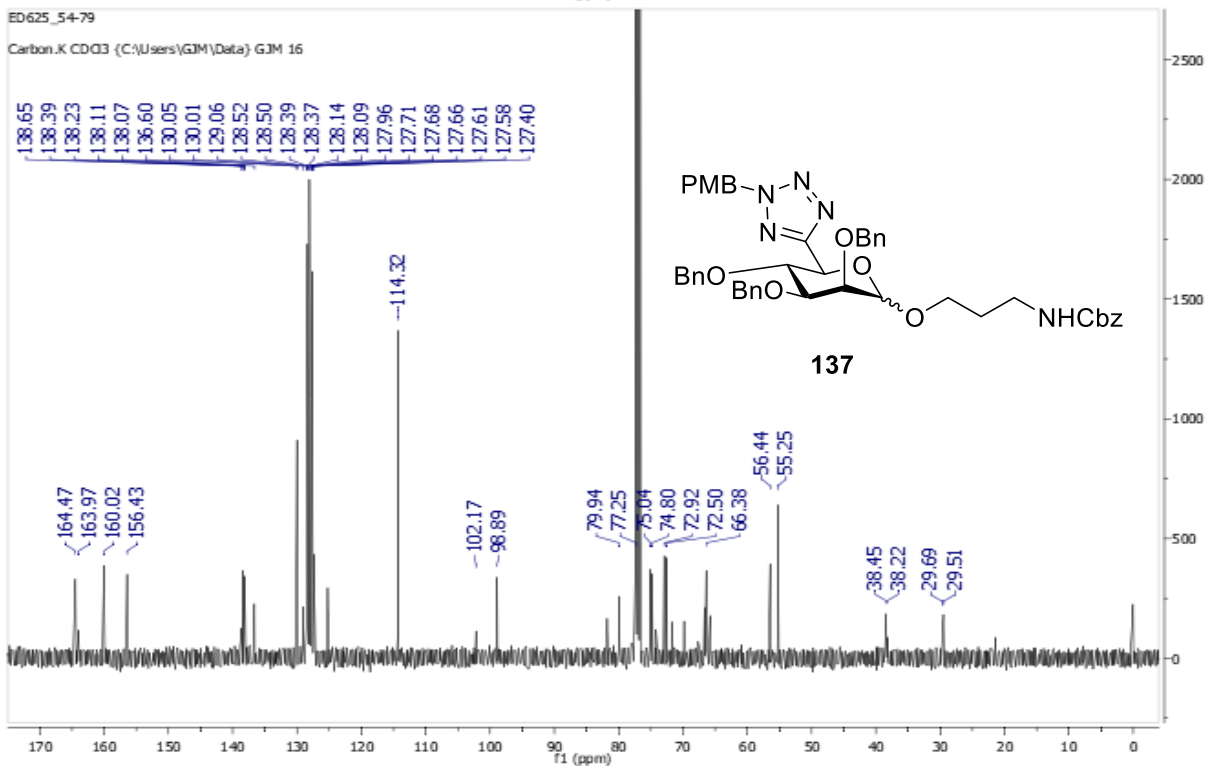
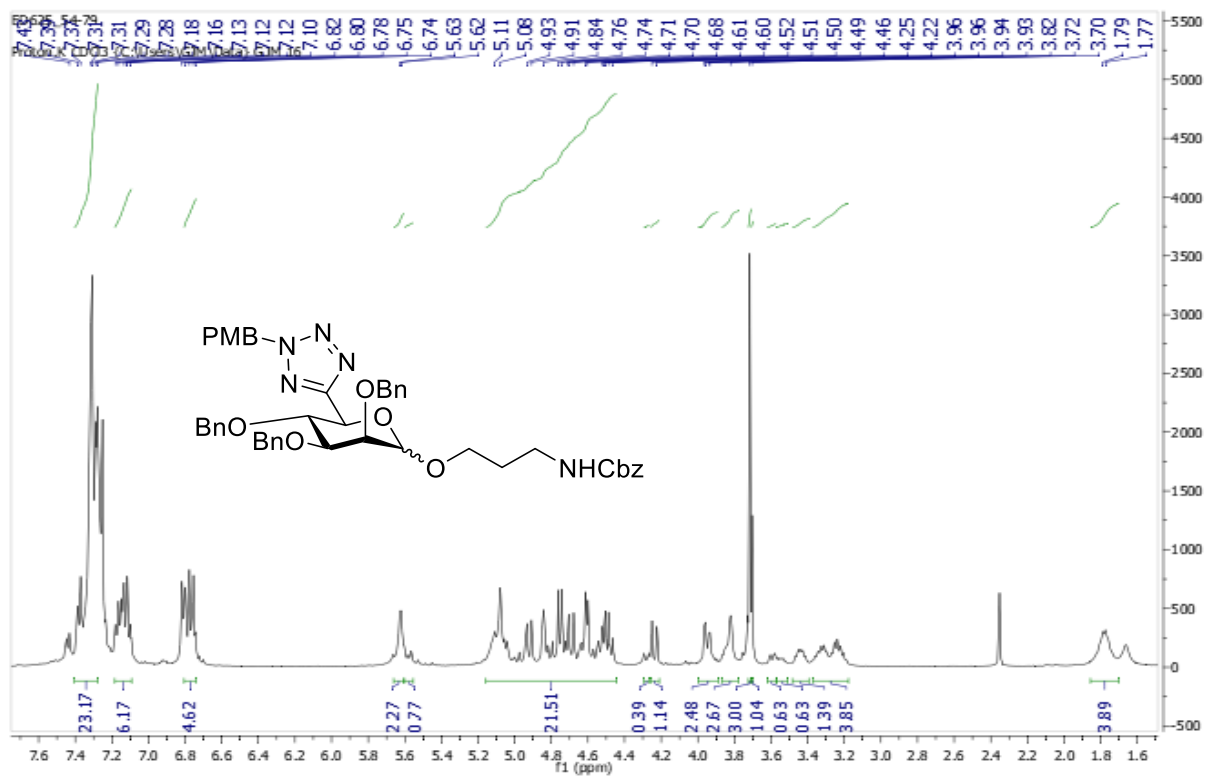
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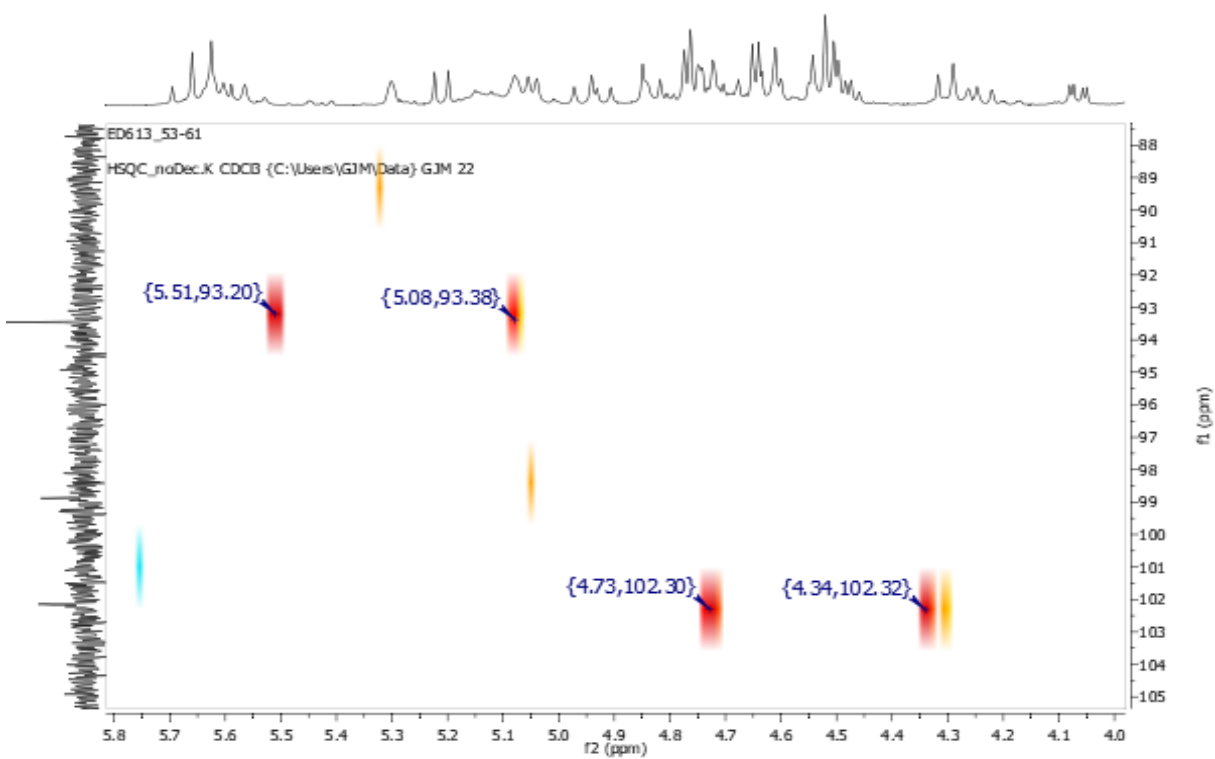
HMBC of both isomers



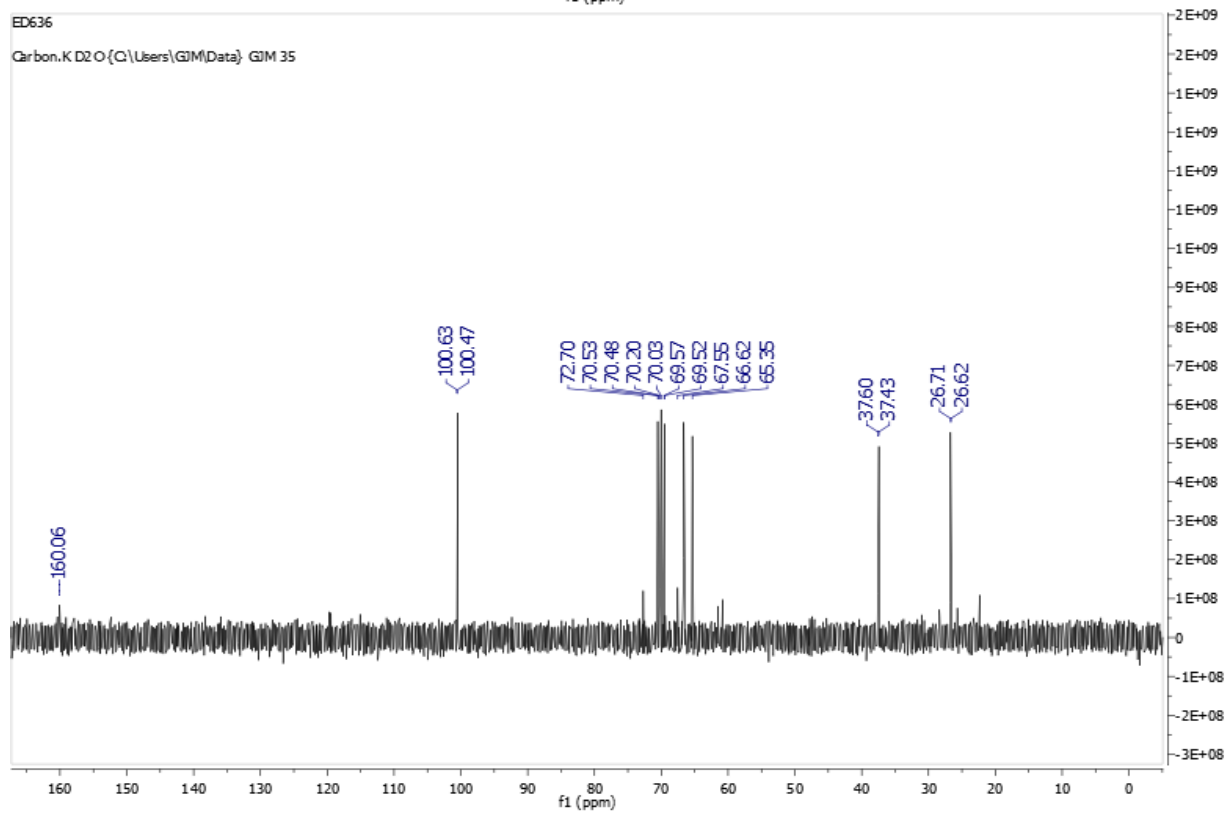
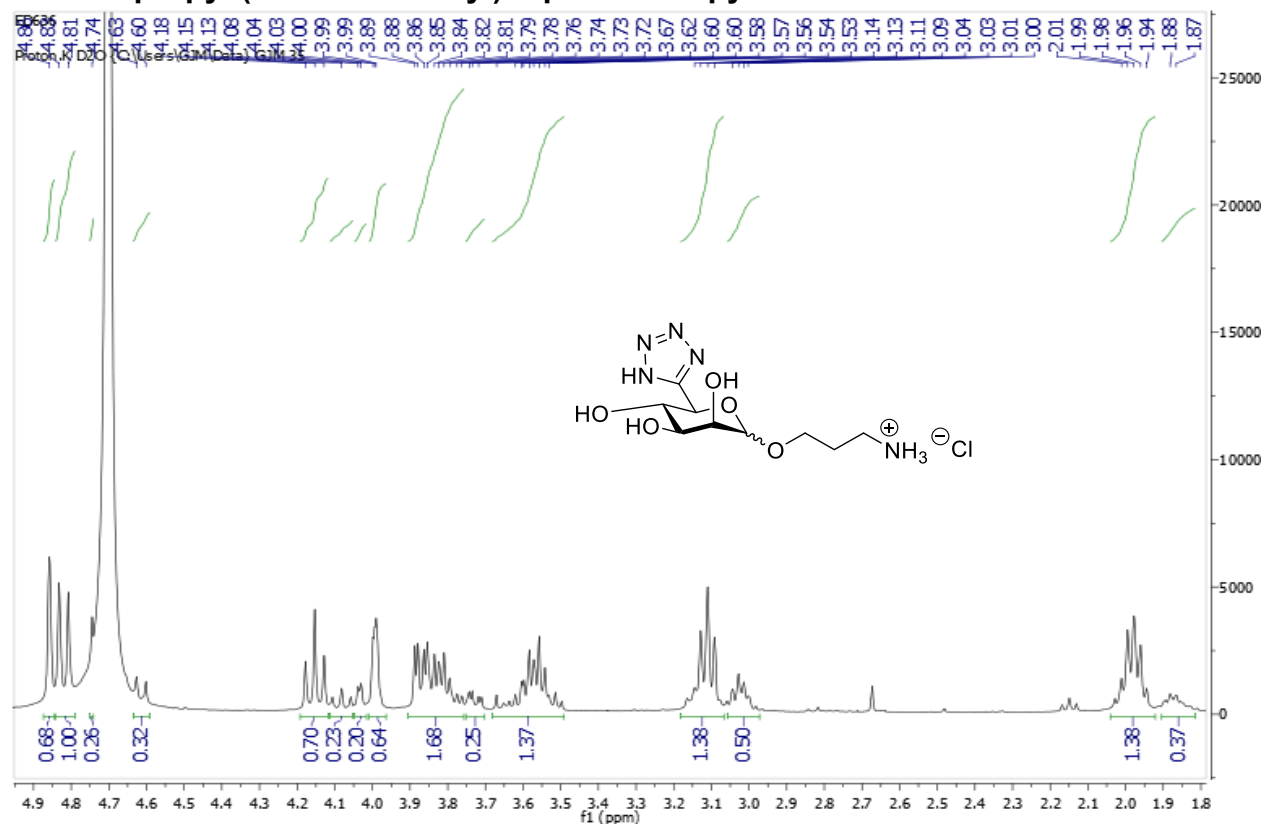
3-(benzyloxycarbonylamino) propyl (2,3,4-tri-O-benzyl-6-C-(2-para-methoxybenzyl-tetrazol-5-yl)- α/β -D-mannopyranoside



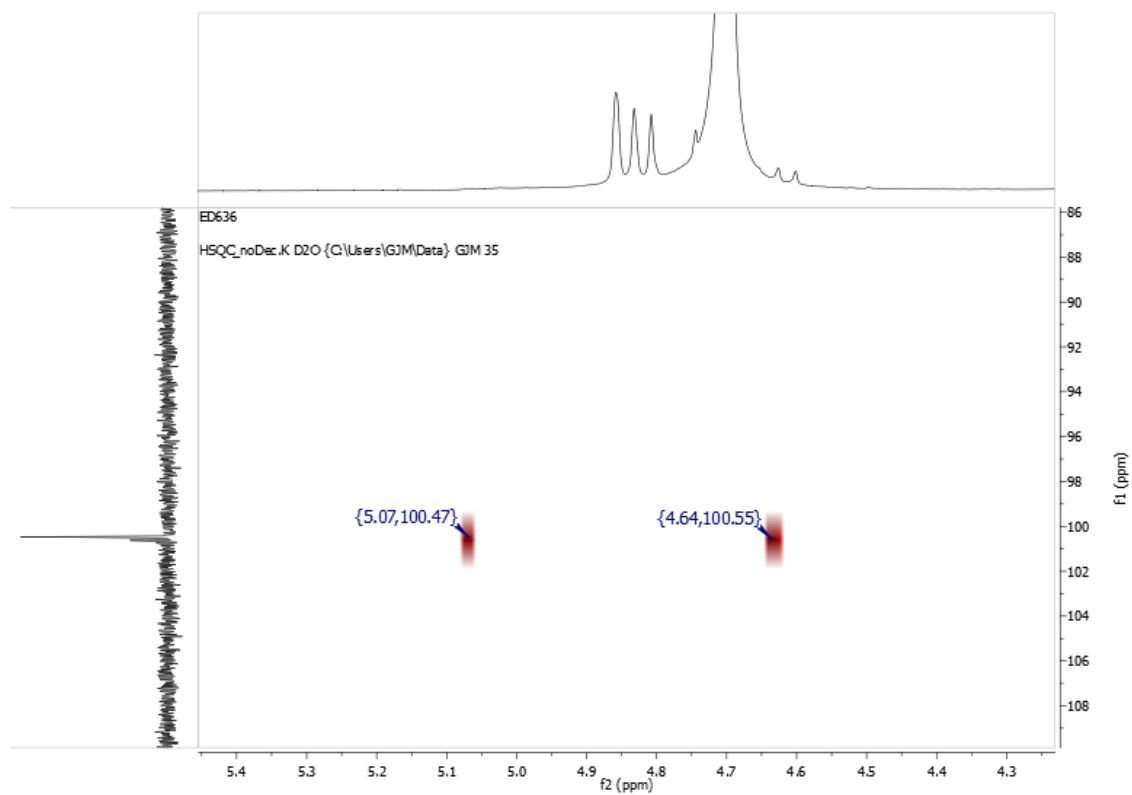
Coupled HSQC (showing only β -anomer $^1J_{C1-H1}$ coupling)



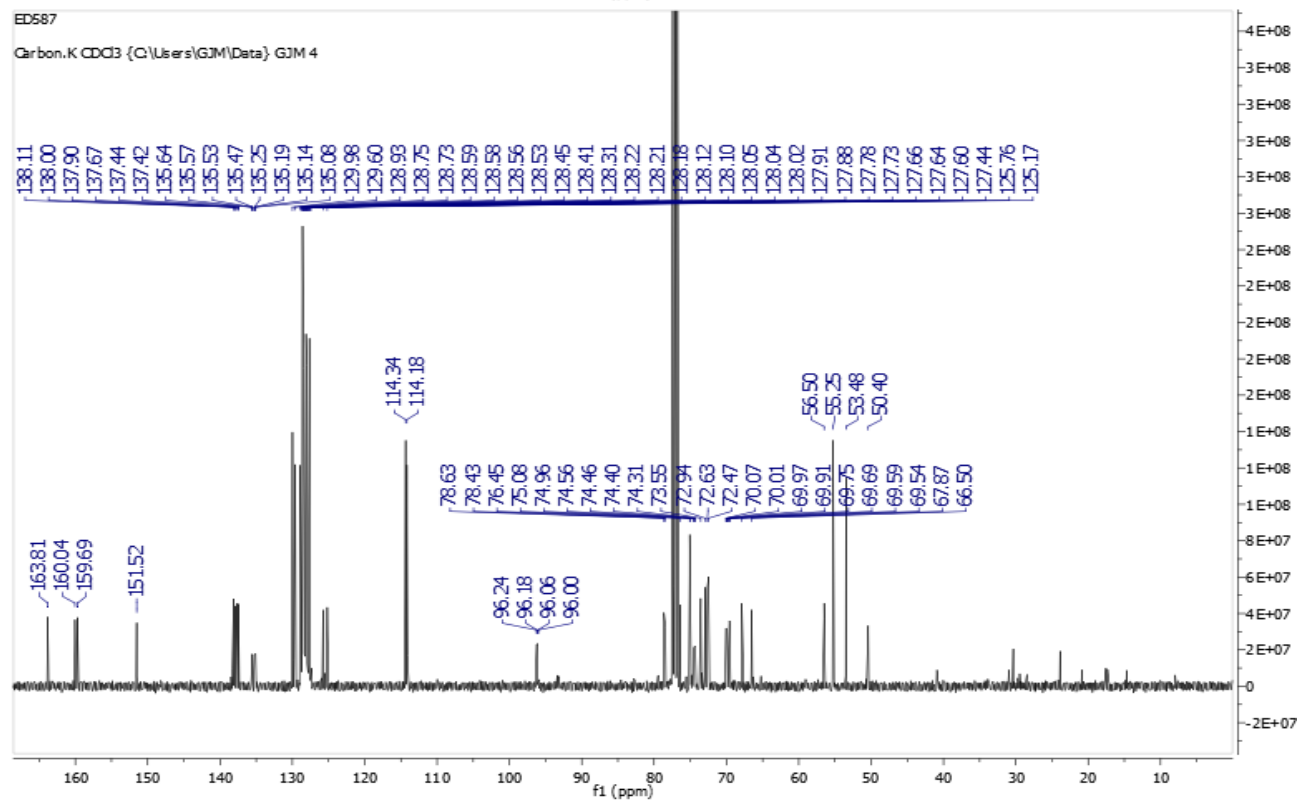
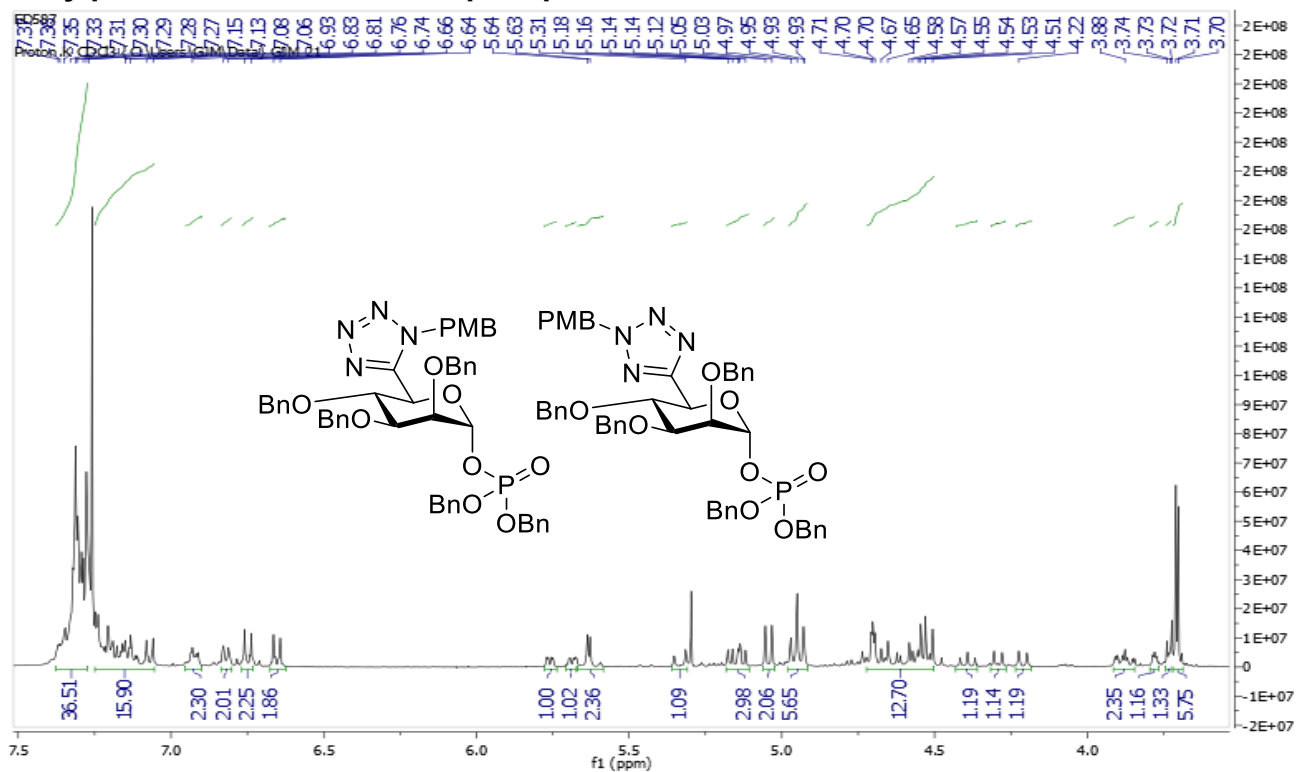
3-aminopropyl (6-C-tetrazol-5-yl)- α/β -D-mannopyranoside 20



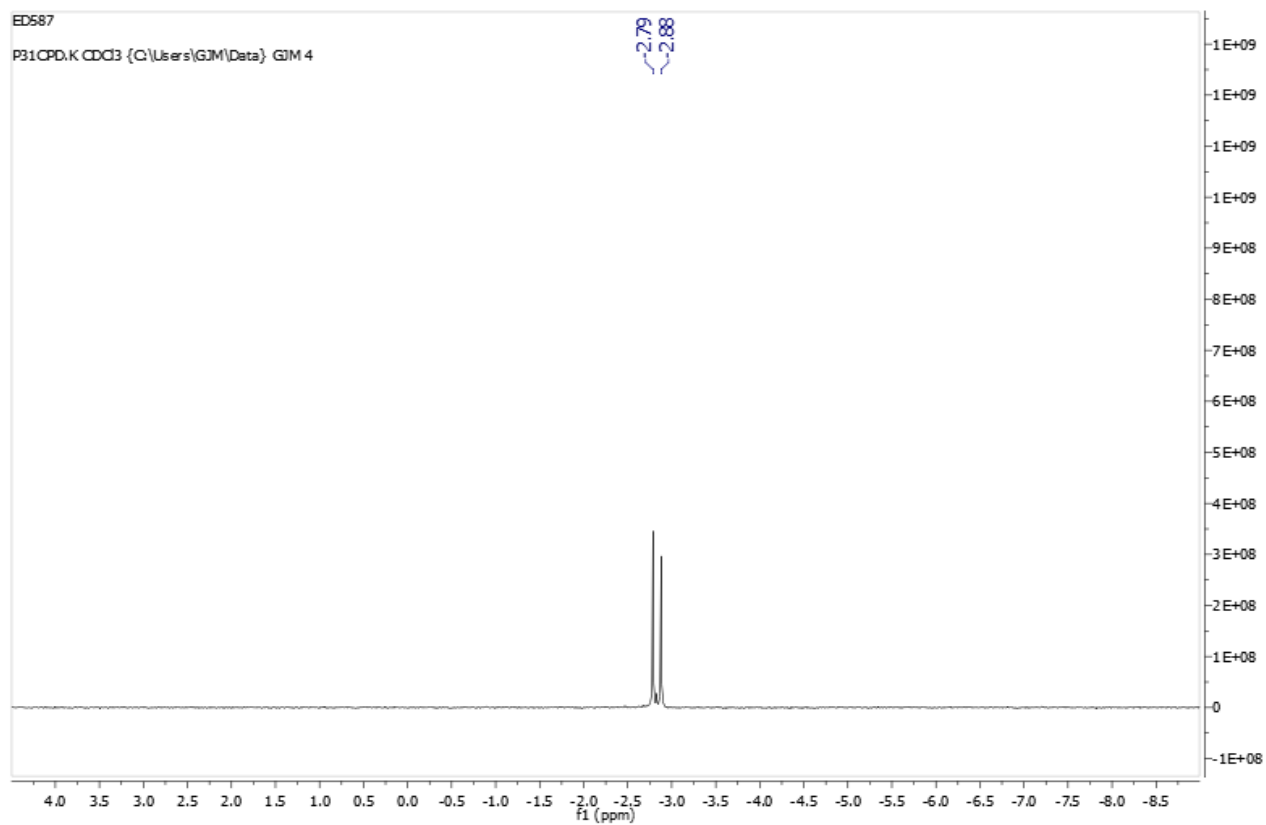
Coupled HSQC



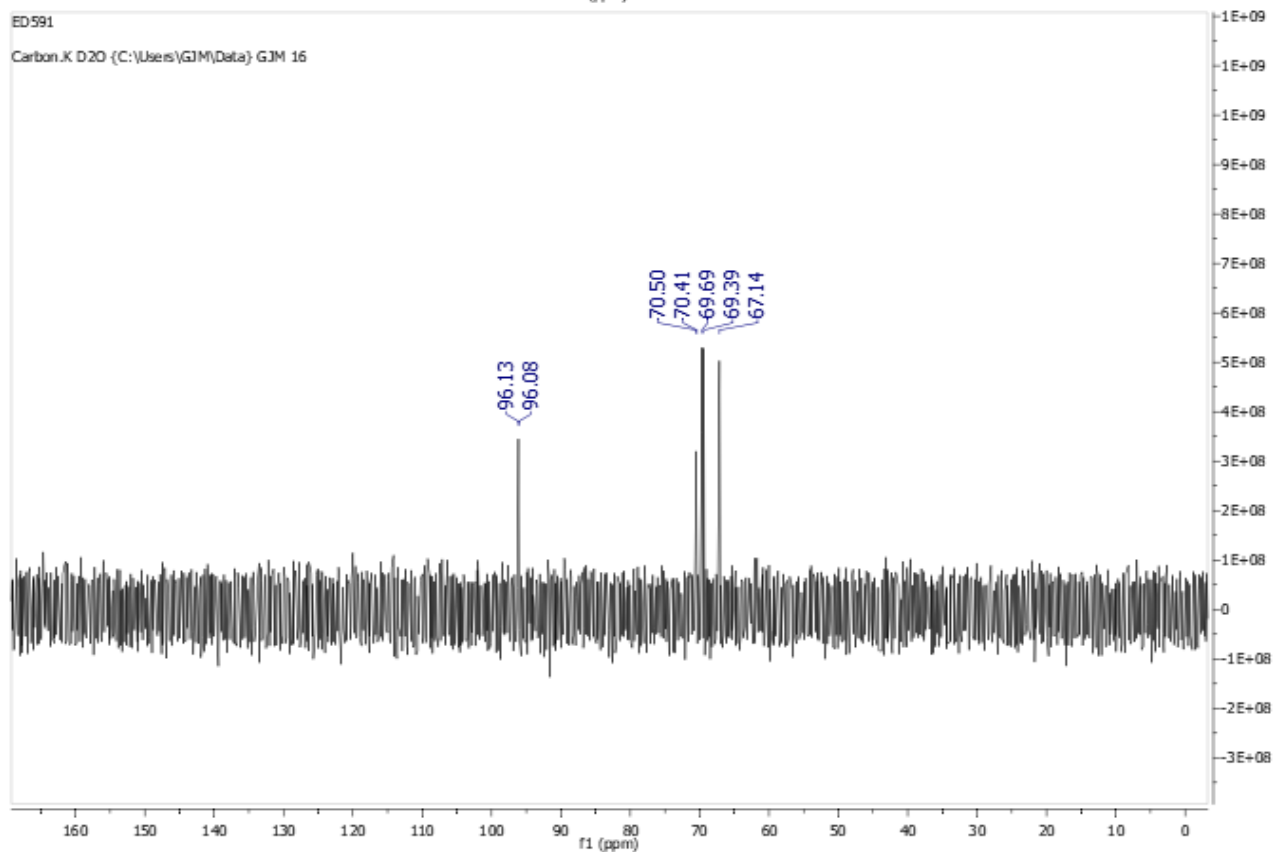
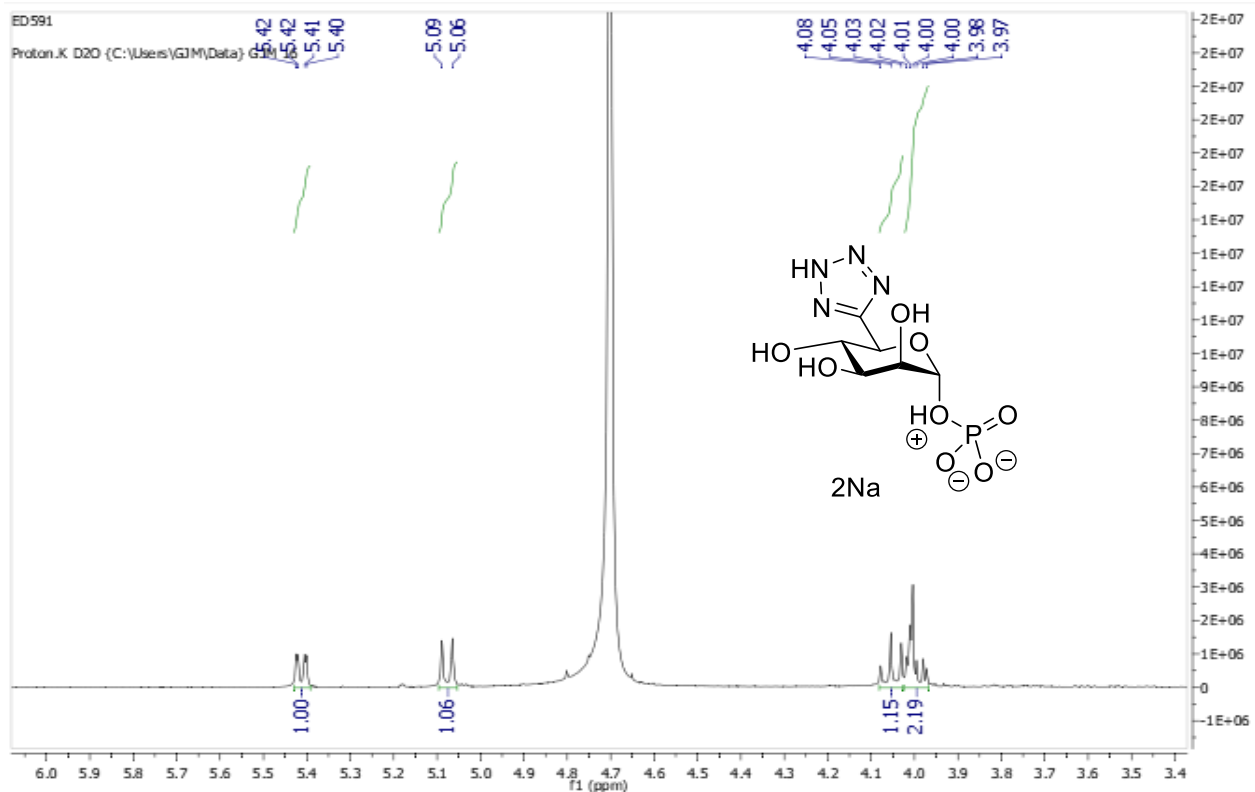
Fully protected C6-tetrazole 1-phosphates



^{31}P NMR



(6-C-tetrazol-5-yl)-1-phosphate- α -D-mannopyranoside 21



^{31}P NMR

