

## Supplementary information

### Direct and one-pot conversion of polyguluronates and alginates into alkyl-L-guluronamide-based surfactant compositions

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**Fig.1**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of the mixture of lactone, furanose and pyranose guluronate monomers **1-3**. In Fig.1a, full spectrum; in Fig.1b, zoom of the anomeric  $^1\text{H}$  area.

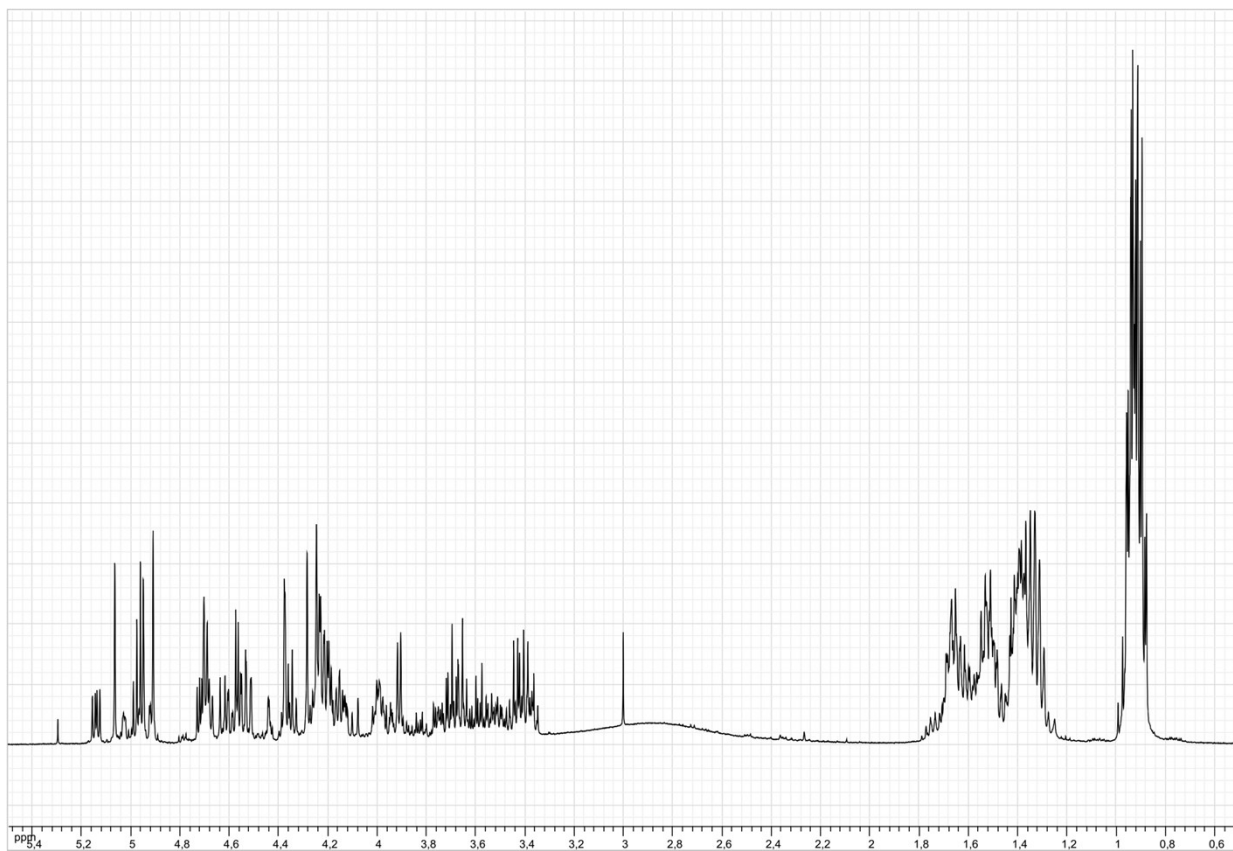


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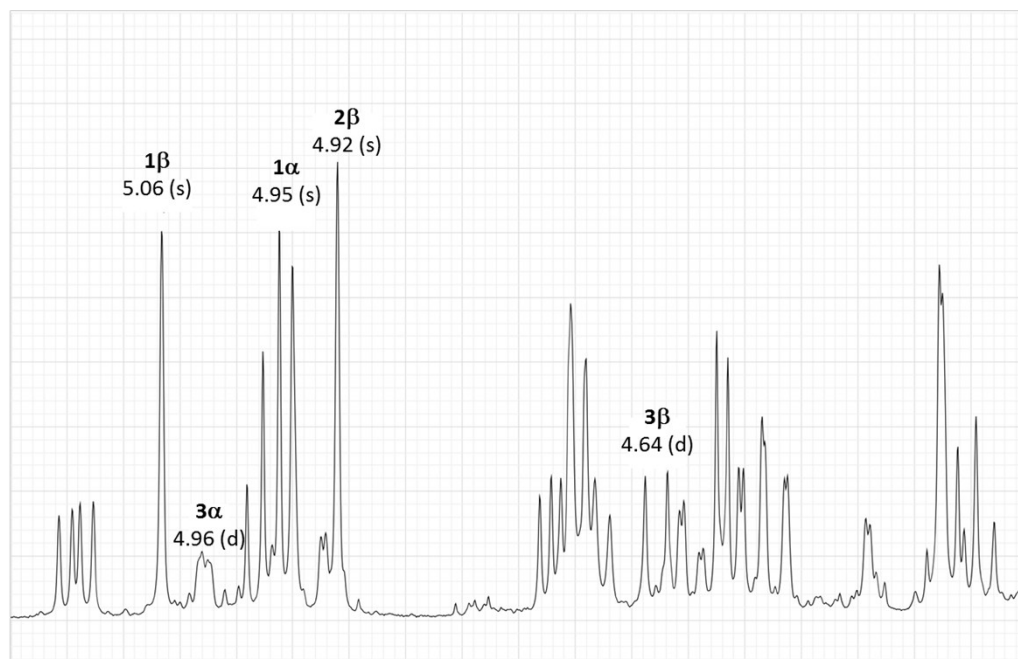


Fig.1b

**Fig.2**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction I** enriched enriched in isomer **4 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulf (major product) and isomer **4 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulf (minor product), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **GulC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>12</sub>** composition. In Fig.2a, full spectrum; in Fig.2b, zoom of the anomeric  $^1\text{H}$  area.

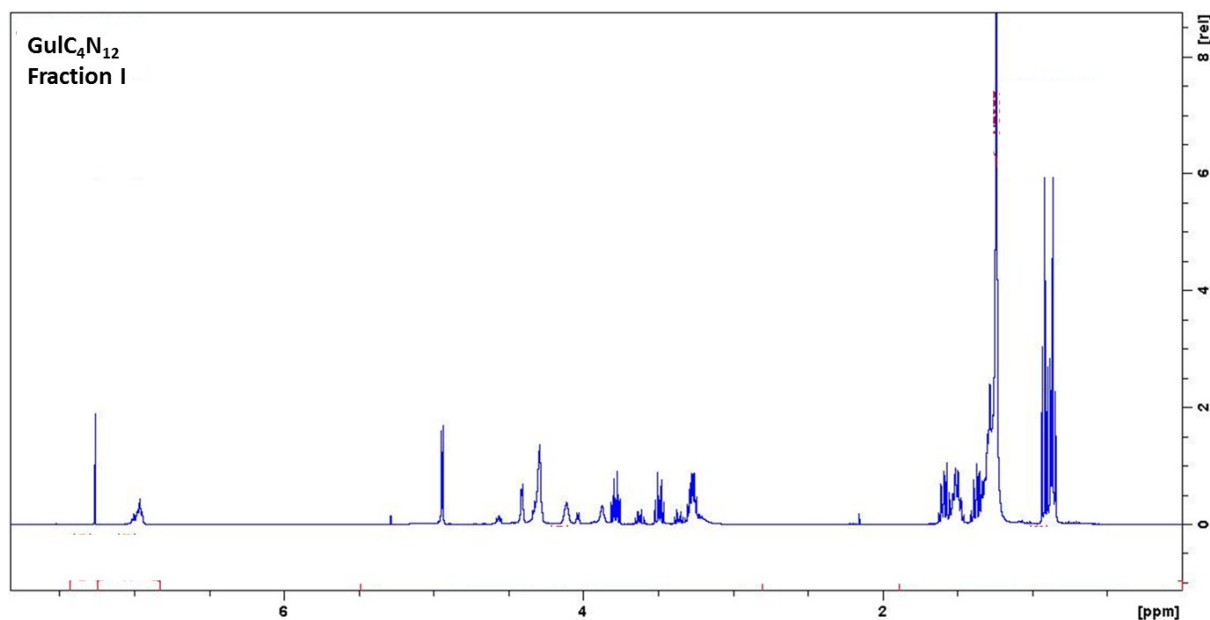


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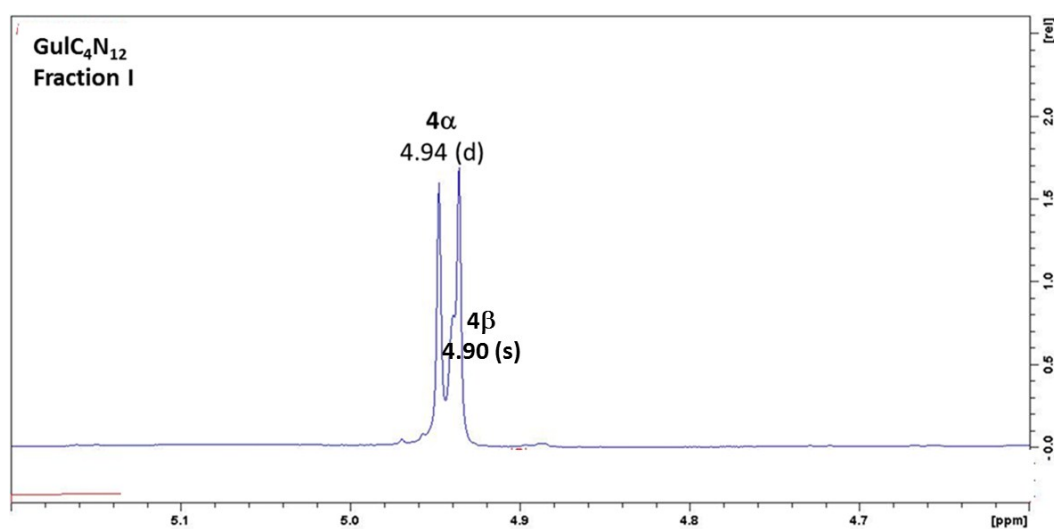


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**Fig.3**  $^{13}\text{C}$  (JMod) NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction I** enriched in isomer **4 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulf (major product) and isomer **4 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulf (minor product), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **GulC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>12</sub>** composition. In Fig.3a, full spectrum; in Fig.3b, zoom of the anomeric  $^{13}\text{C}$  area.

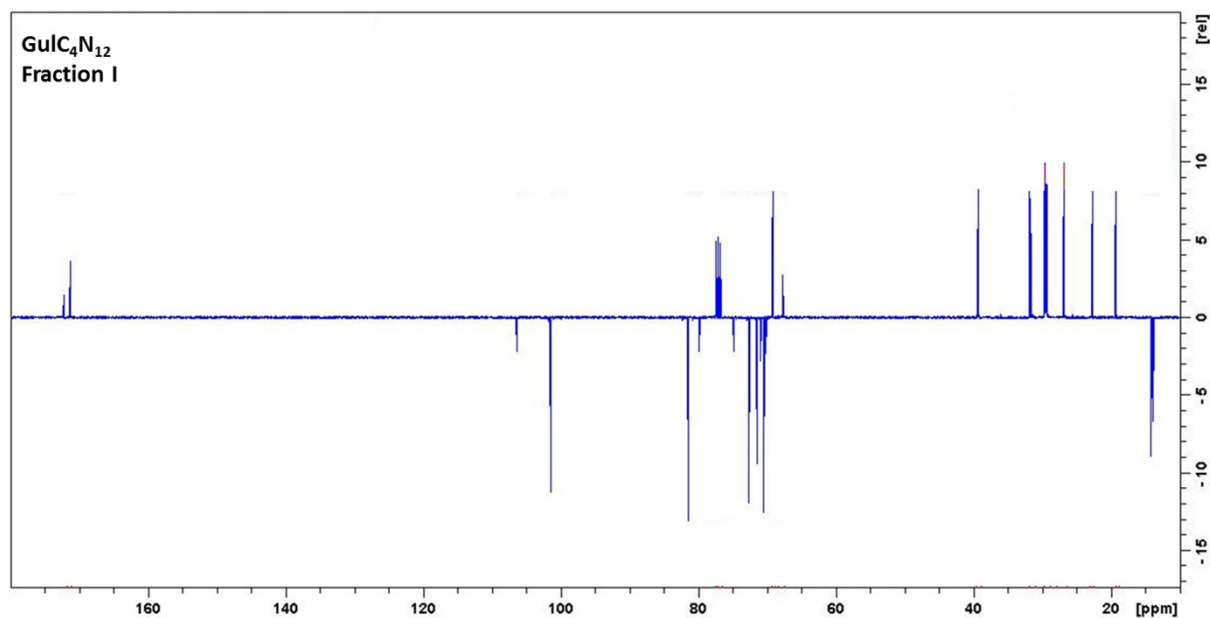


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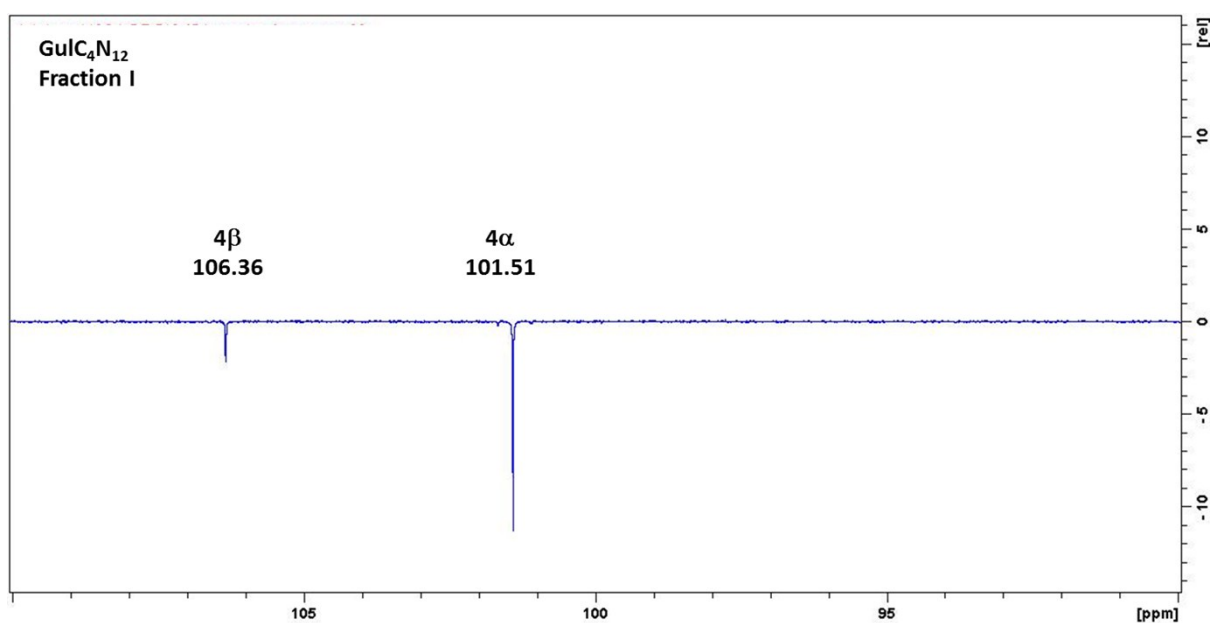


Fig.3b

**Fig.4**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction II** enriched in isomer **6 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulp, (major product) and isomer **4 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulf (minor product), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **GulC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>12</sub>** composition. In Fig.4a, full spectrum; in Fig.4b, zoom of the anomeric  $^1\text{H}$  area.

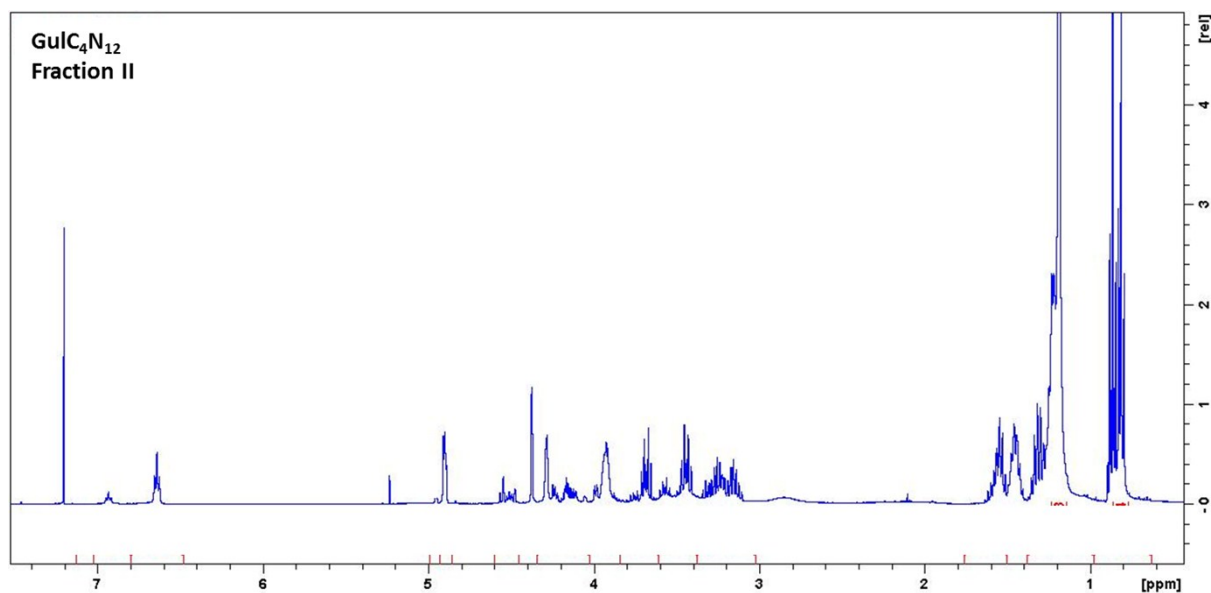


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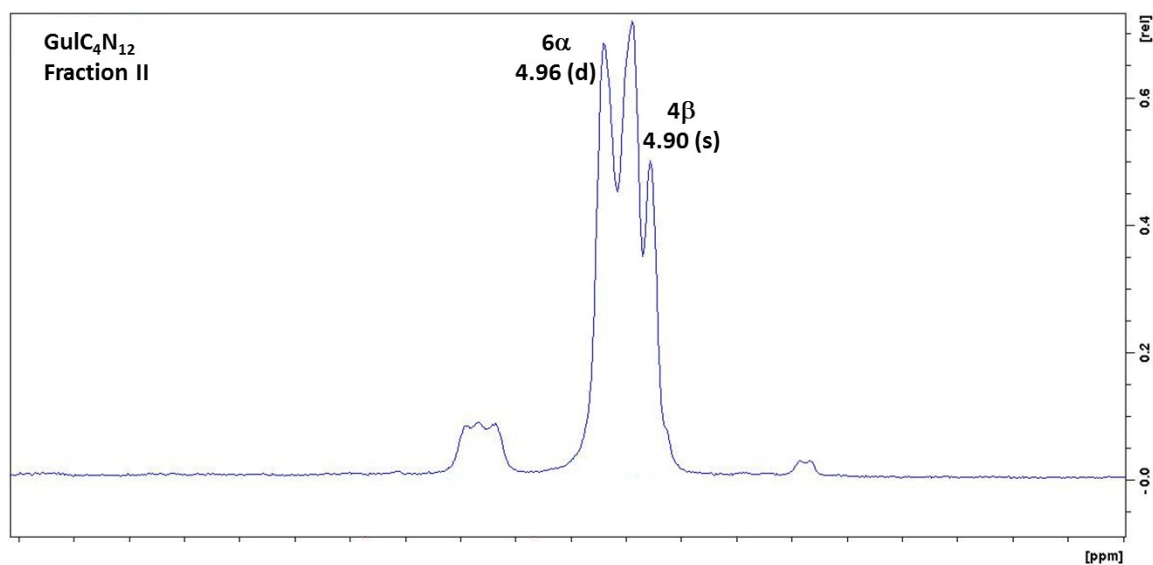


Fig.4b

**Fig.5**  $^{13}\text{C}$  (JMod) NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction II** enriched in isomer **6 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulp, (major product) and isomer **4 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulp (minor product), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **GulC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>12</sub>** composition. In Fig.5a, full spectrum; in Fig.5b, zoom of the anomeric  $^{13}\text{C}$  area.

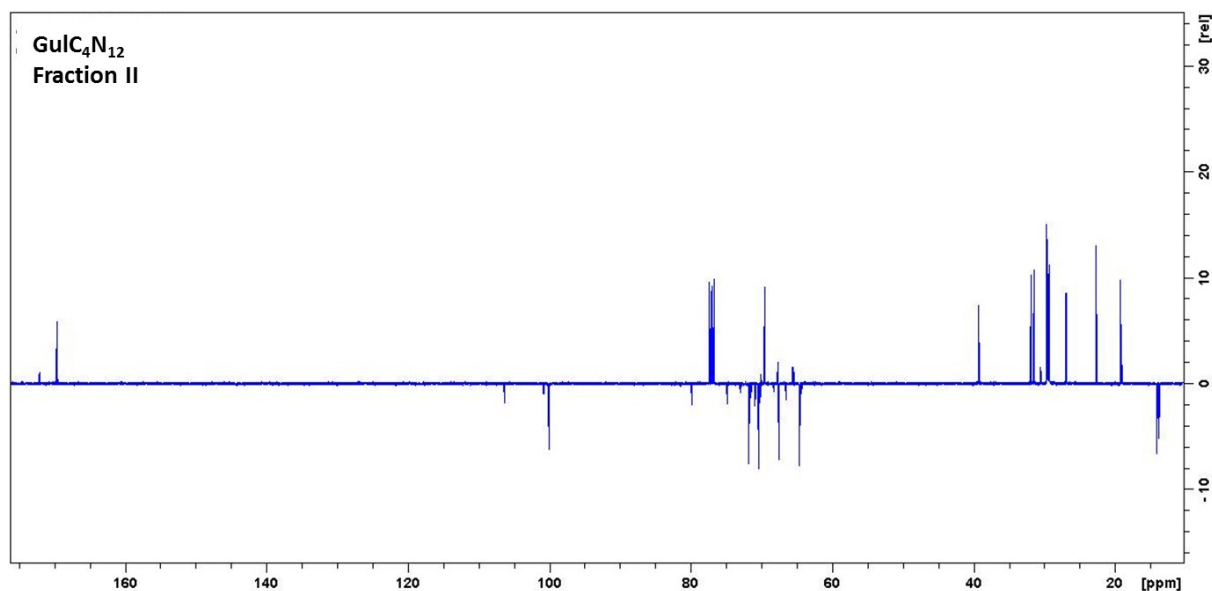


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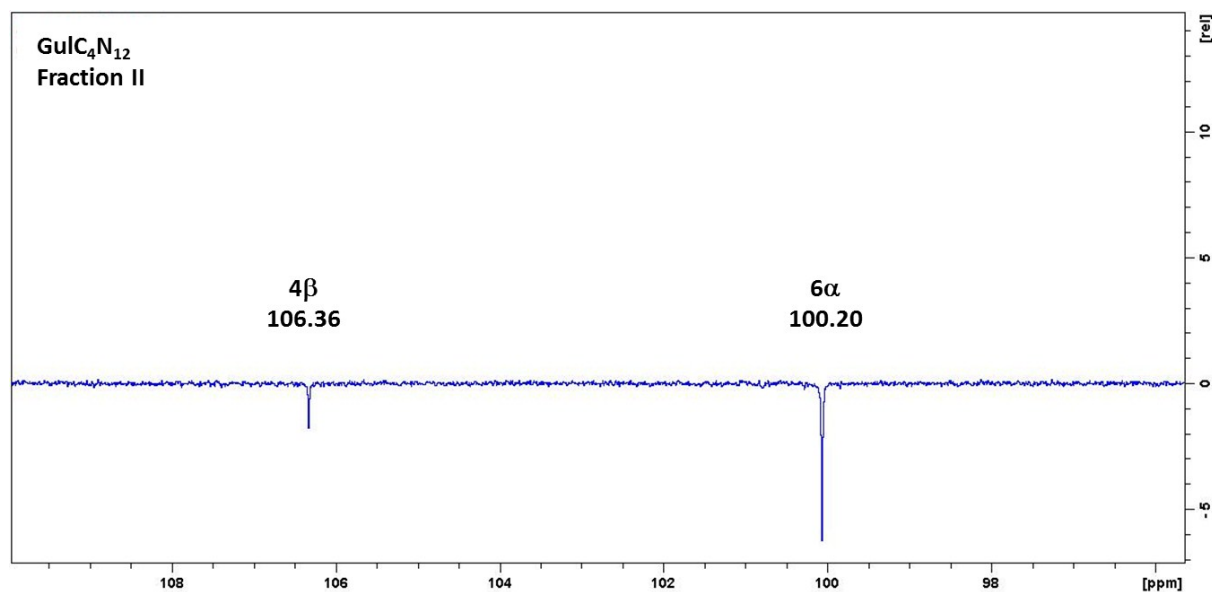


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**Fig.6**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction III** enriched in isomer **6 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulp, isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **GulC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>12</sub>** composition. In Fig.6a, full spectrum; in Fig.6b, zoom of the anomeric  $^1\text{H}$  area.

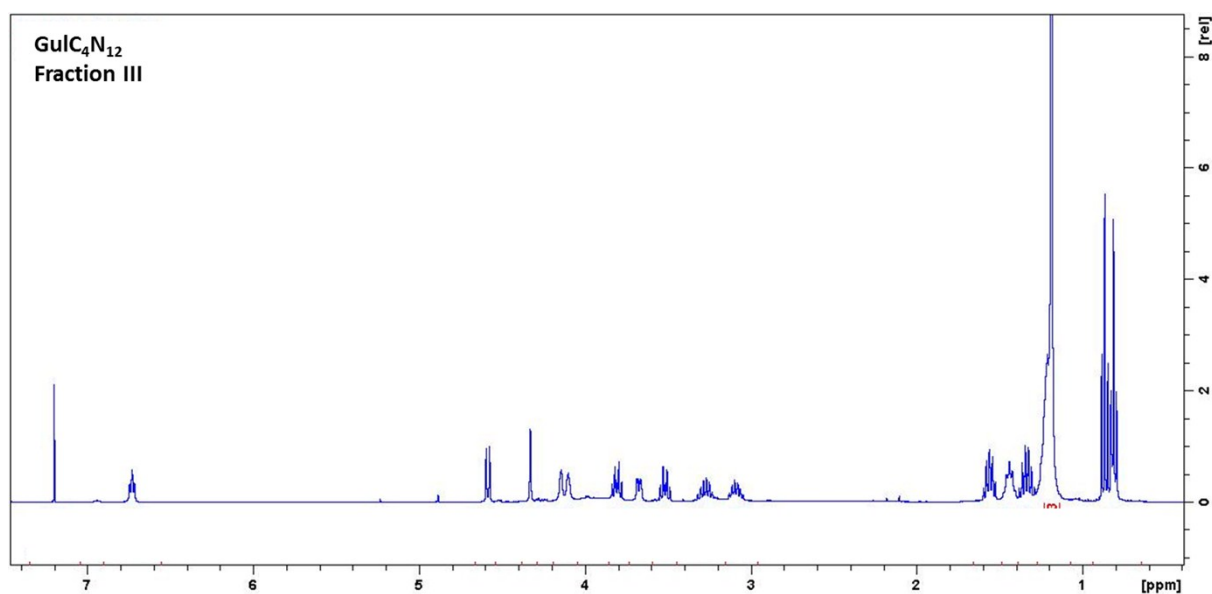


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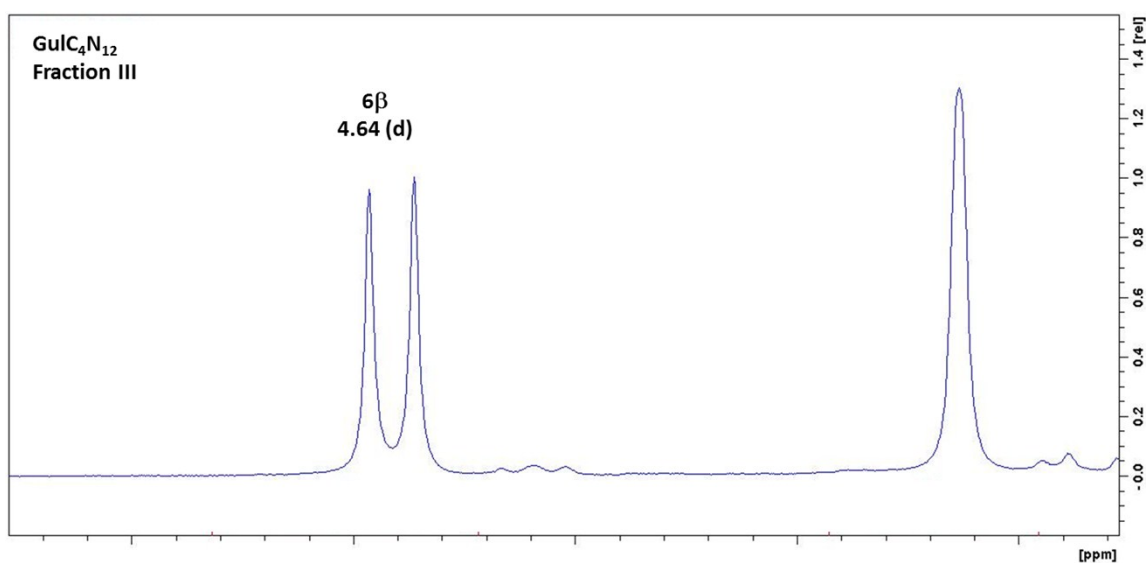


Fig.6b

**Fig.7**  $^{13}\text{C}$  (JMod) NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction III** enriched in isomer **6 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulp, isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **GulC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>12</sub>** composition. In Fig.7a, full spectrum; in Fig.7b, zoom of the anomeric  $^{13}\text{C}$  area.

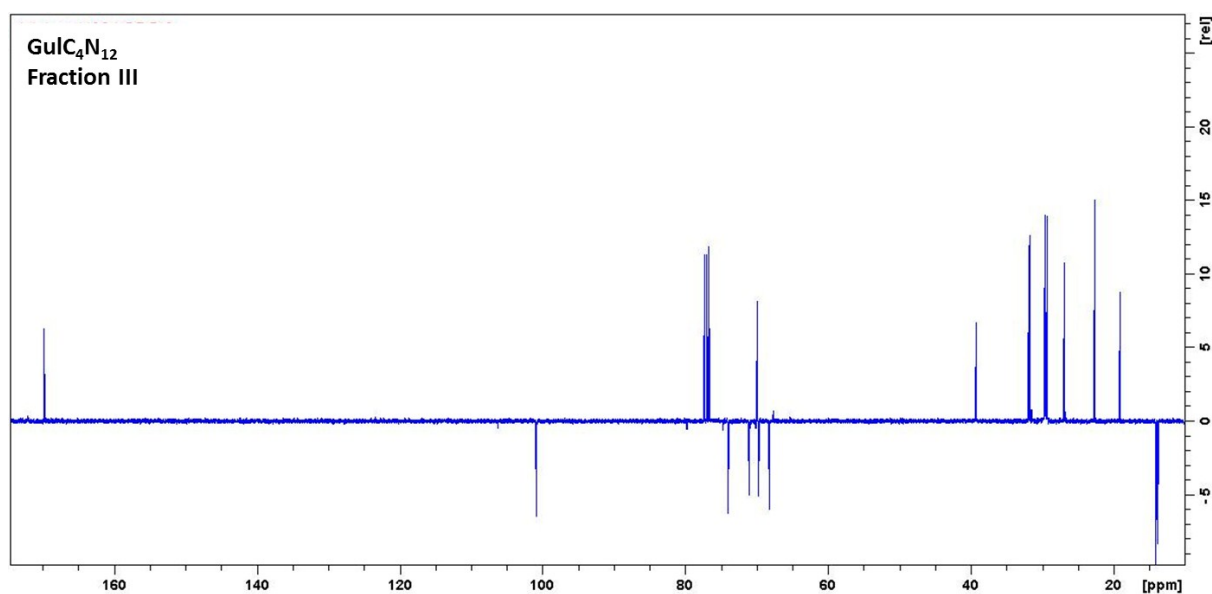


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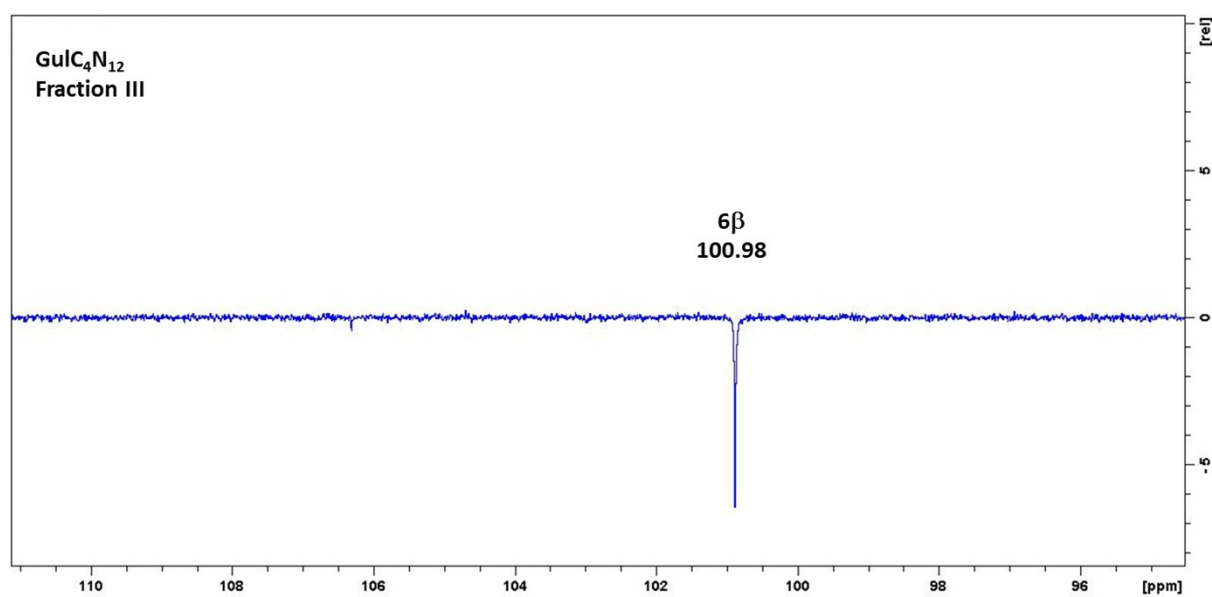


Fig.7b



**Fig.8**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction I** enriched enriched in isomer **5 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulf (major product) and isomer **5 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulf (minor product), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **GulC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>18</sub>** composition. In Fig.8a, full spectrum; in Fig.8b, zoom of the anomeric  $^1\text{H}$  area.

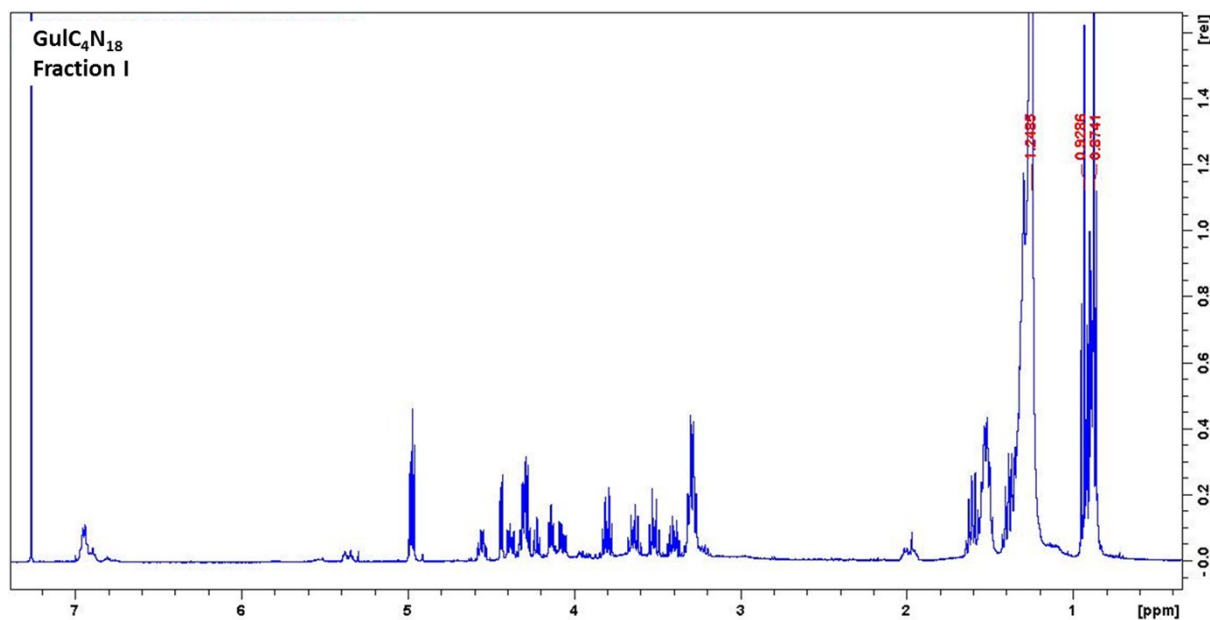


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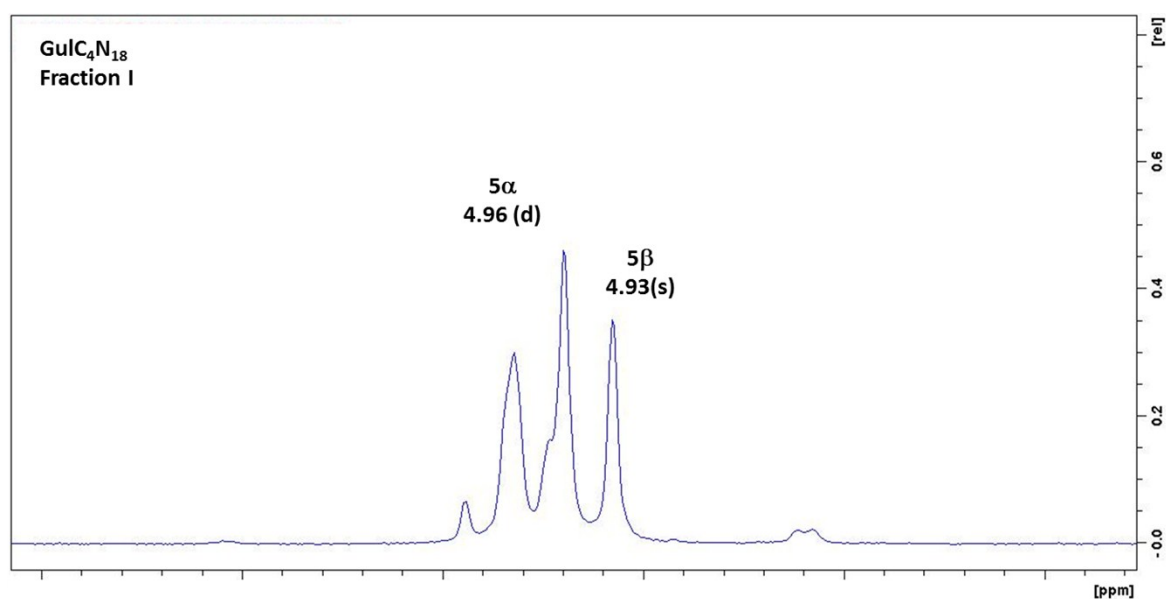


Fig.8b

**Fig.9**  $^{13}\text{C}$  (JMod) NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction I** enriched in isomer **5 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulf (major product) and isomer **5 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulf (minor product), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **GulC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>18</sub>** composition. In Fig.9a, full spectrum; in Fig.9b, zoom of the anomeric  $^{13}\text{C}$  area.

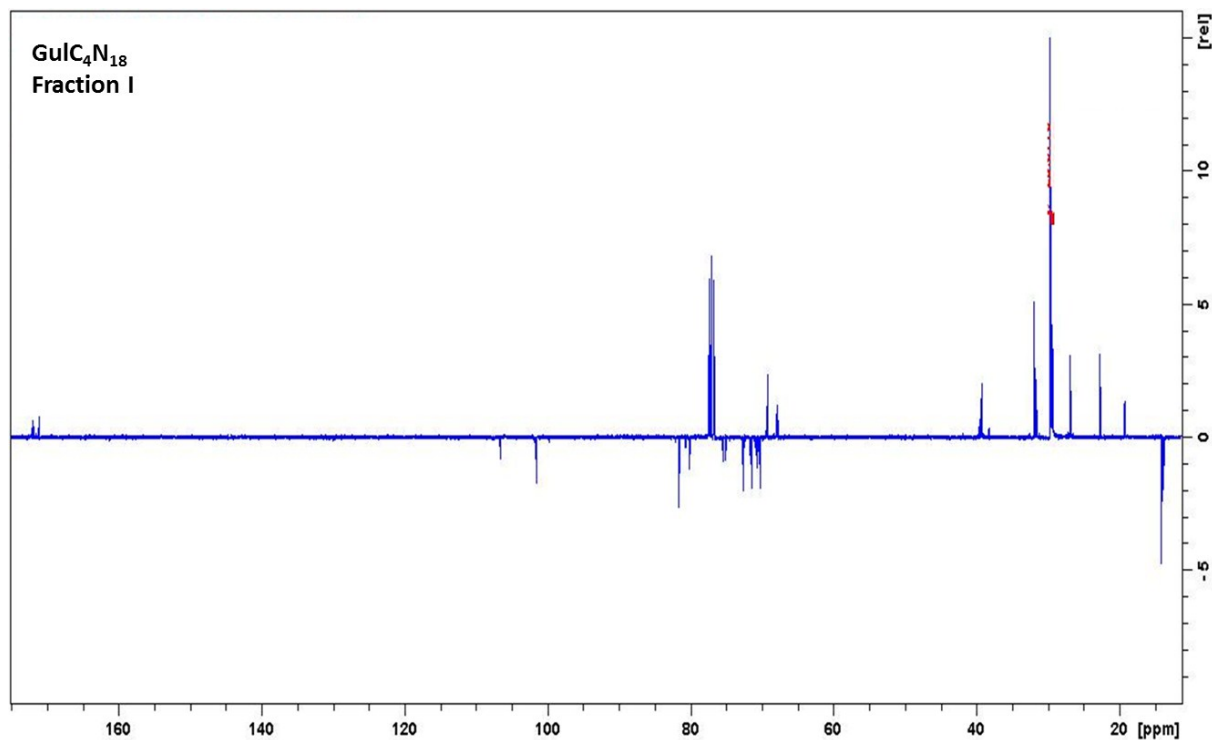


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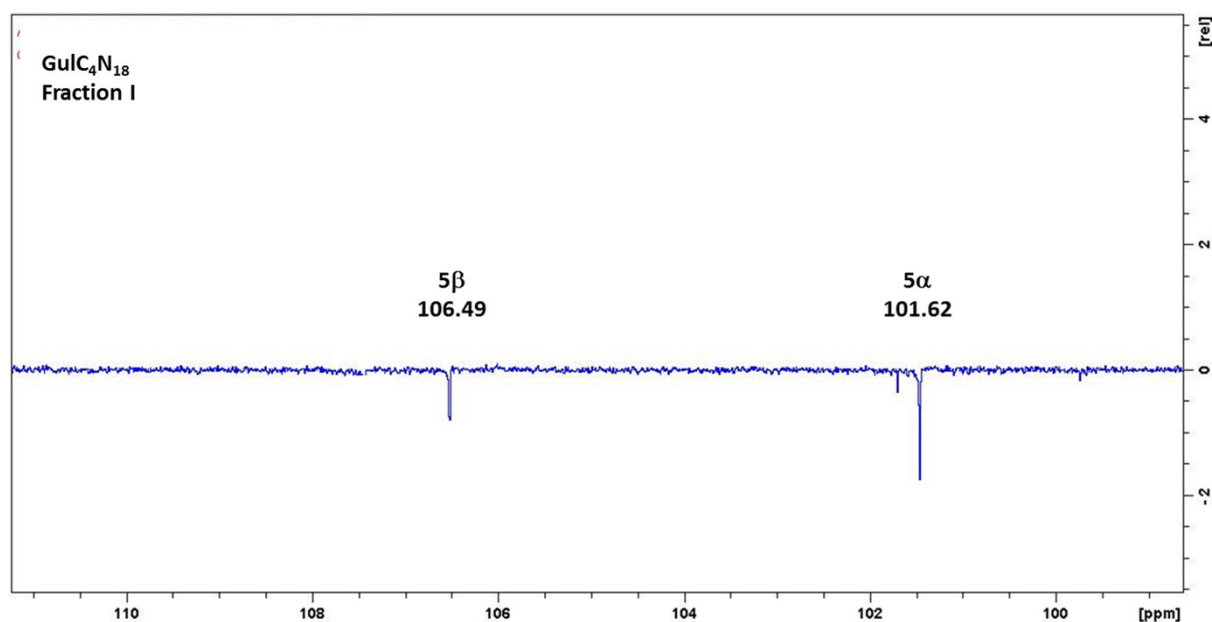


Fig.9b

**Fig.10**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction II** enriched in isomer **7 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulp, (major product) and isomers **5 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulp and **7 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulp (minor products), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **GulC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>18</sub>** composition. In Fig.10a, full spectrum; in Fig.10b, zoom of the anomeric  $^1\text{H}$  area.

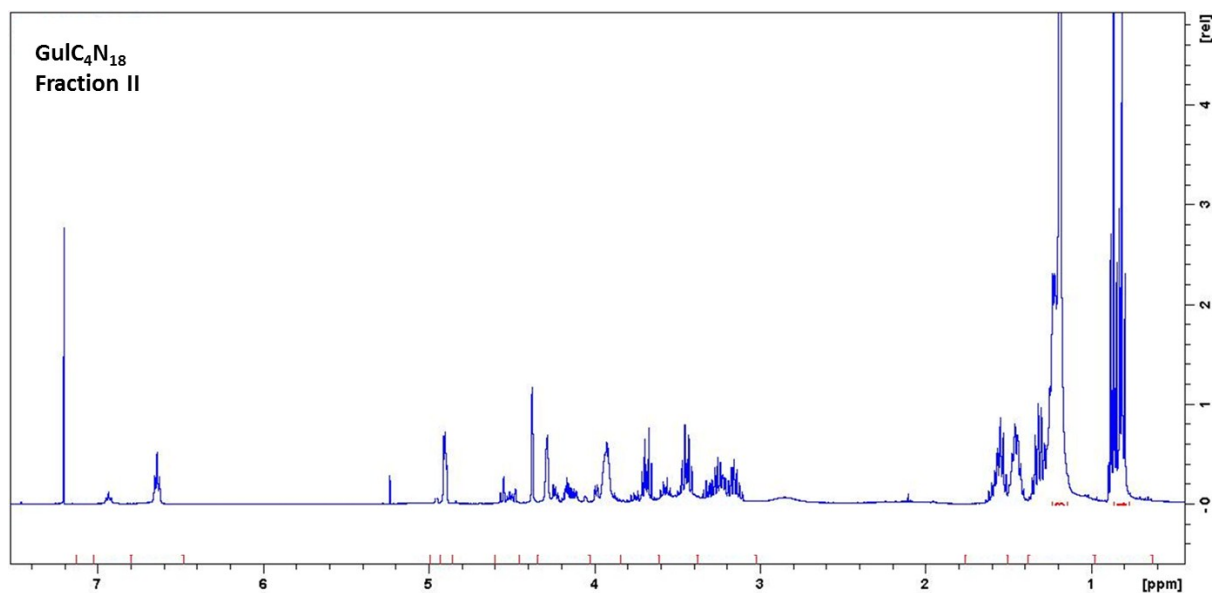


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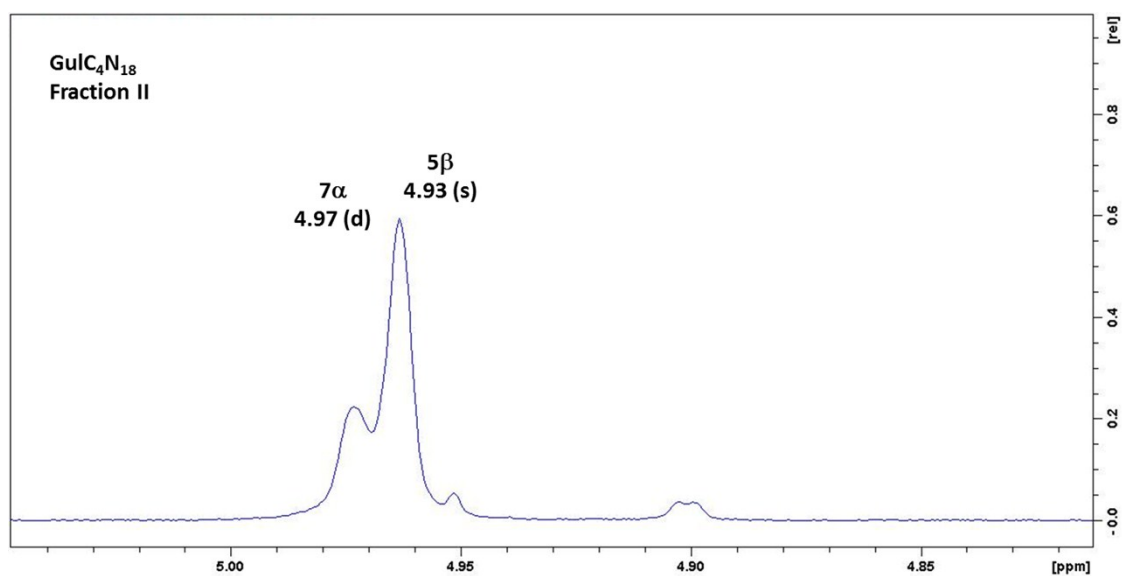


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**Fig.11**  $^{13}\text{C}$  (JMod) NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction II** enriched in isomer **7 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulp, (major product) and isomers **5 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulp and **7 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulp (minor products), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **GulC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>18</sub>** composition. In Fig.11a, full spectrum; in Fig.11b, zoom of the anomeric  $^{13}\text{C}$  area.

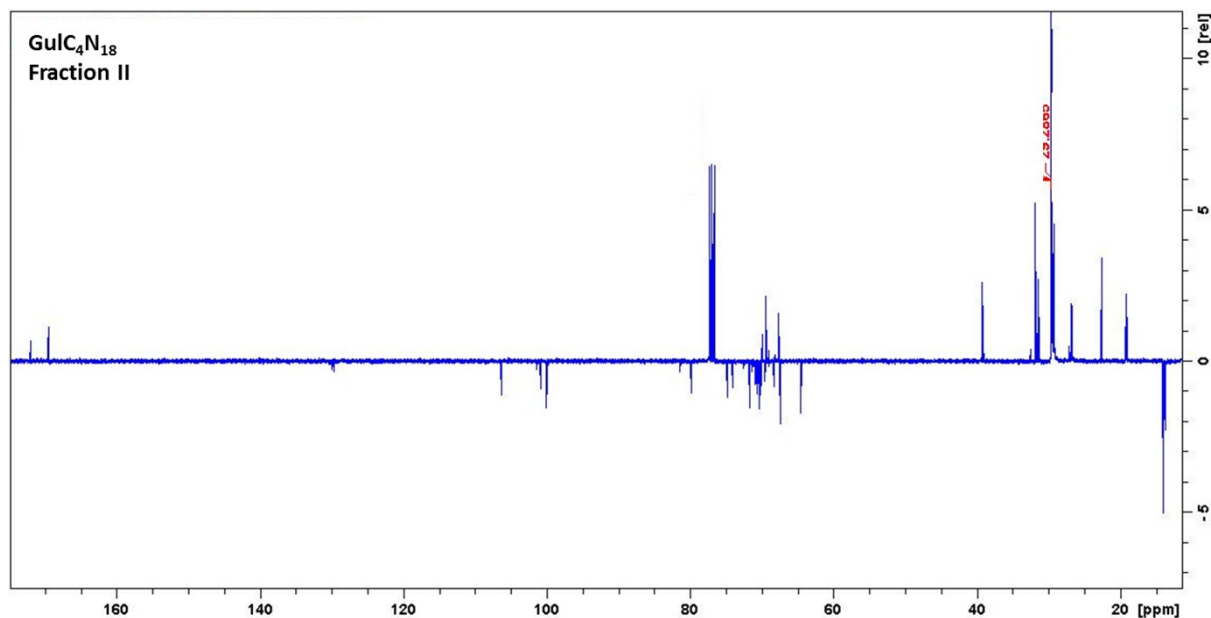


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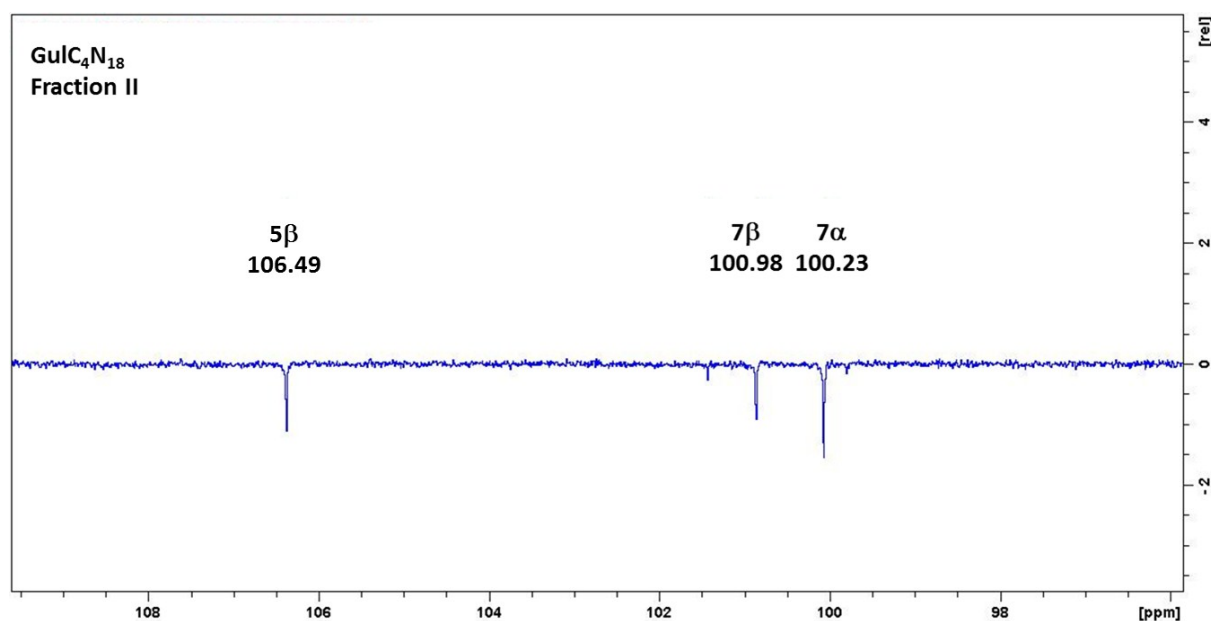


Fig.11b

**Fig.12**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction III** enriched in isomer **7 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulp, isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **GulC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>18</sub>** composition. In Fig.12a, full spectrum; in Fig.12b, zoom of the anomeric  $^1\text{H}$  area.

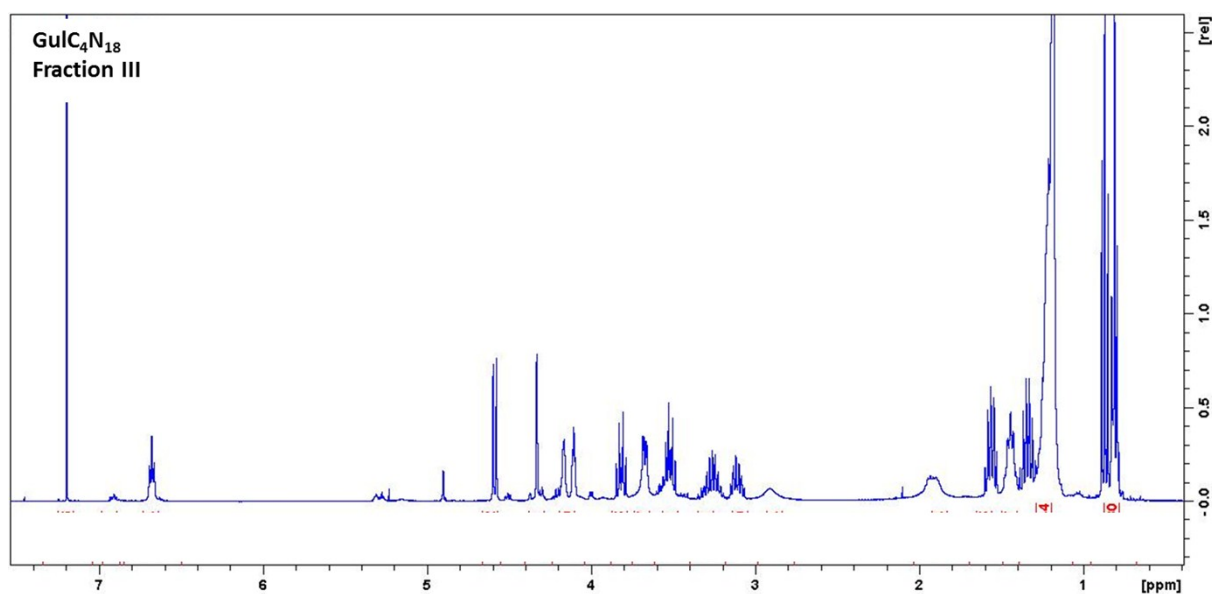


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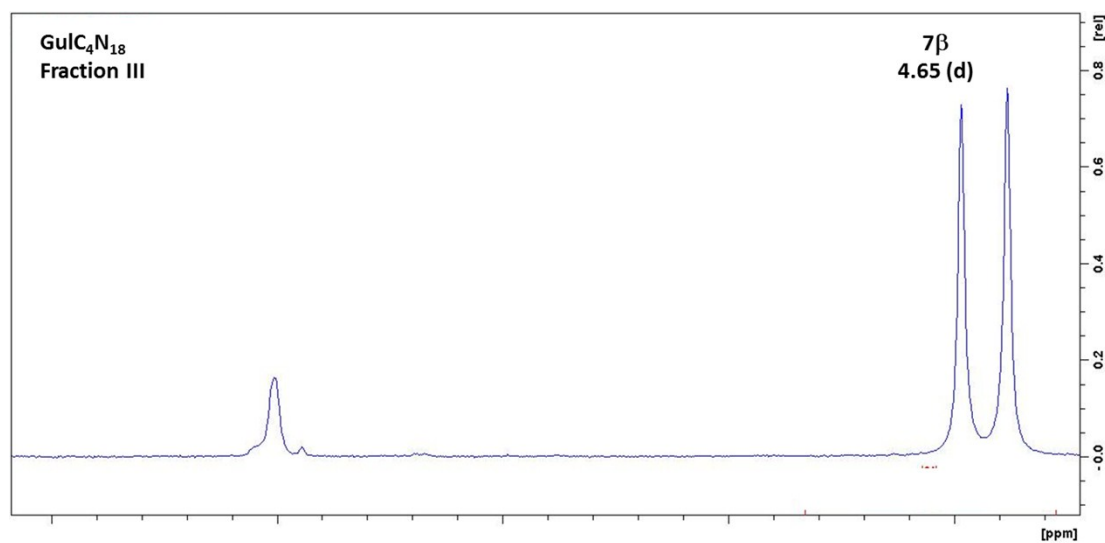


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**Fig.13**  $^{13}\text{C}$  (JMod) NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction III** enriched in isomer **7 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulp, isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **GulC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>18</sub>** composition. In Fig.13a, full spectrum; in Fig.13b, zoom of the anomeric  $^{13}\text{C}$  area.

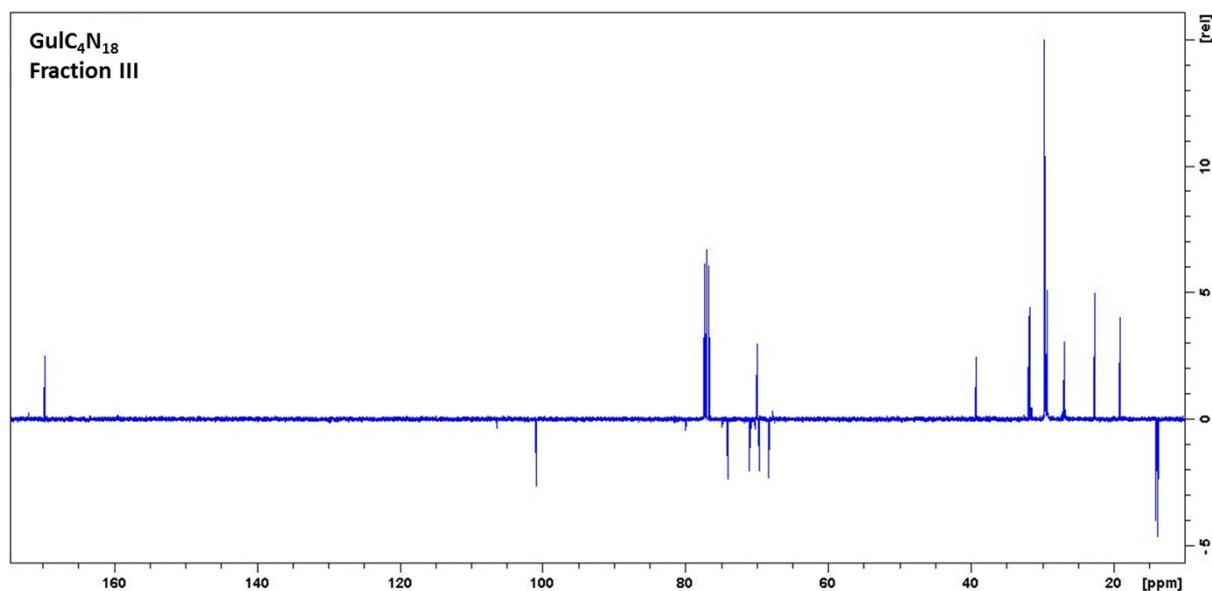


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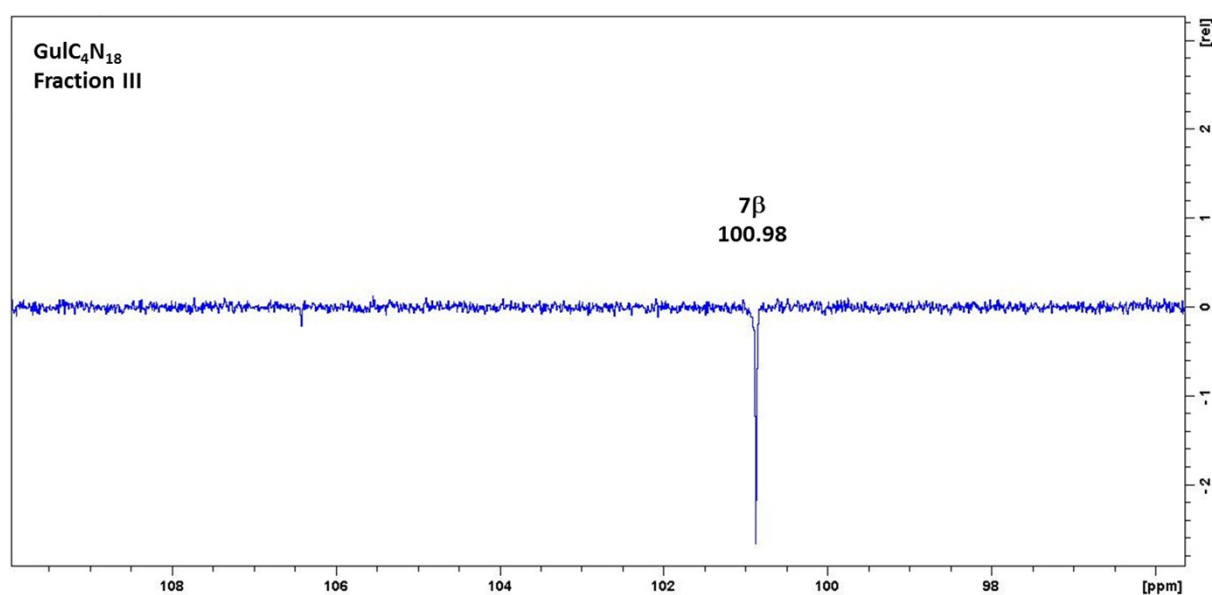


Fig.13b

**Fig.14**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction I** enriched in isomer **8 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -D-Manf (major product) and isomer **4 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulf (minor product), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **AlgC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>12</sub>** composition. In Fig.14a, full spectrum; in Fig.14b, zoom of the anomeric  $^1\text{H}$  area.

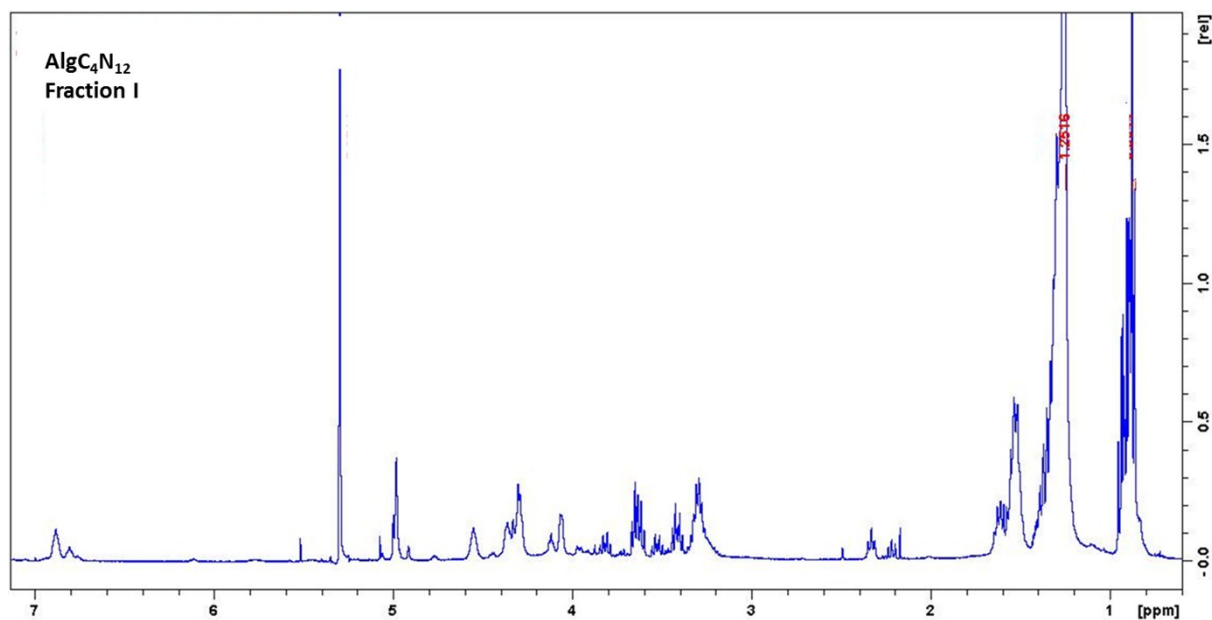


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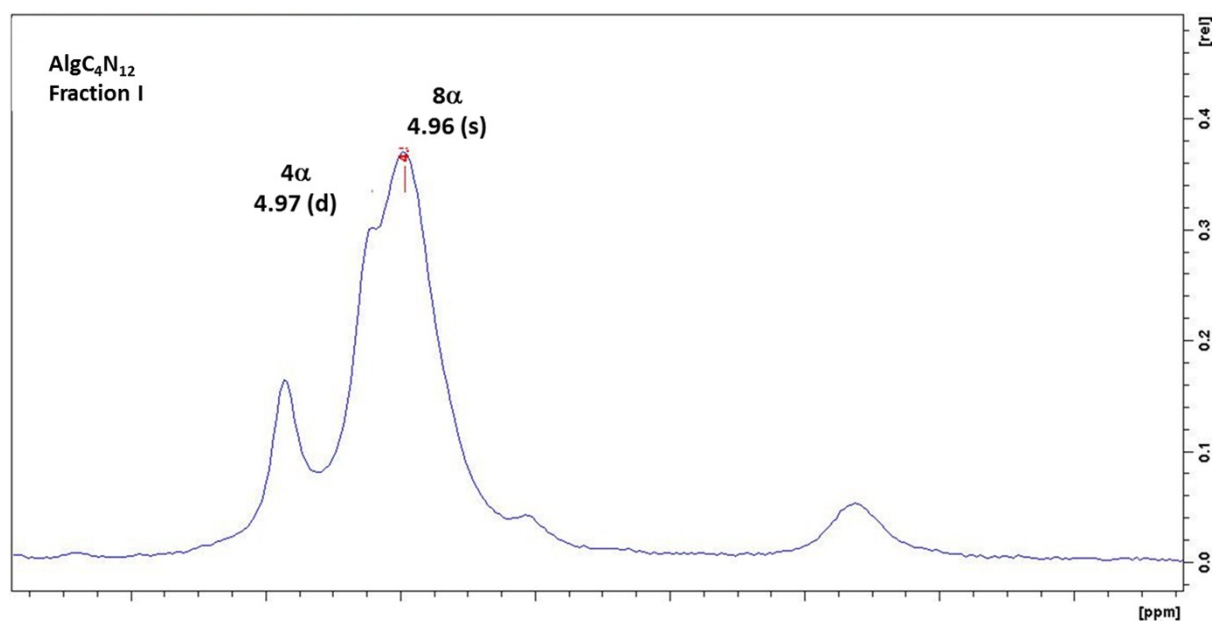


Fig.14b

**Fig.15**  $^{13}\text{C}$  (JMod) NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction I** enriched in isomer **8 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -D-Manf (major product) and isomer **4 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulf (minor product), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **AlgC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>12</sub>** composition. In Fig.15a, full spectrum; in Fig.15b, zoom of the anomeric  $^{13}\text{C}$  area.

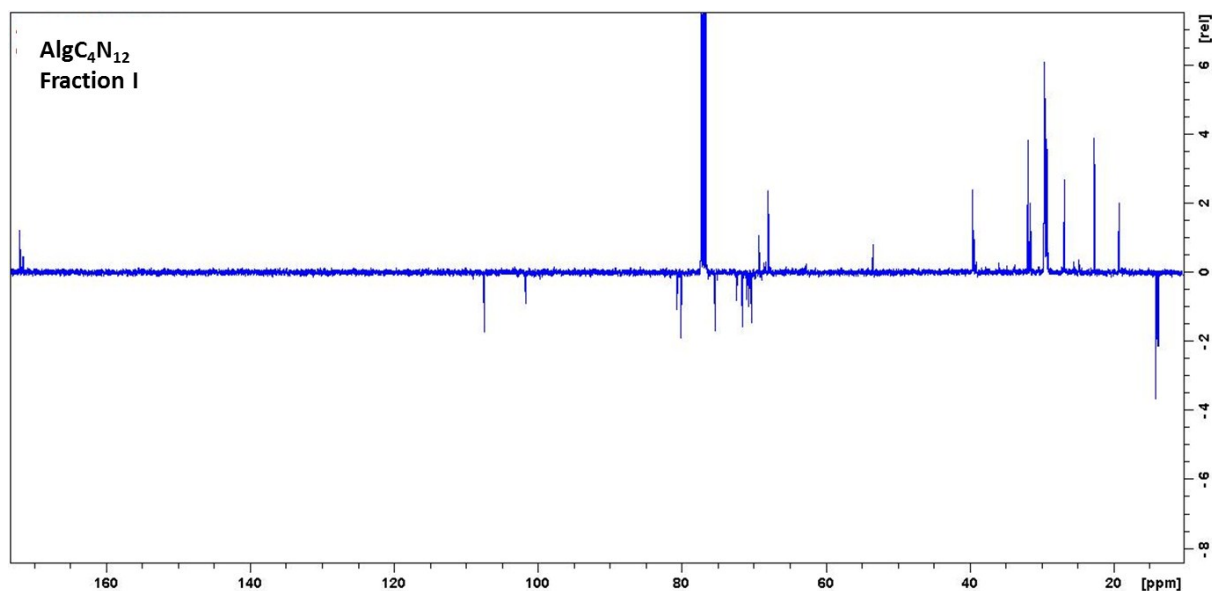


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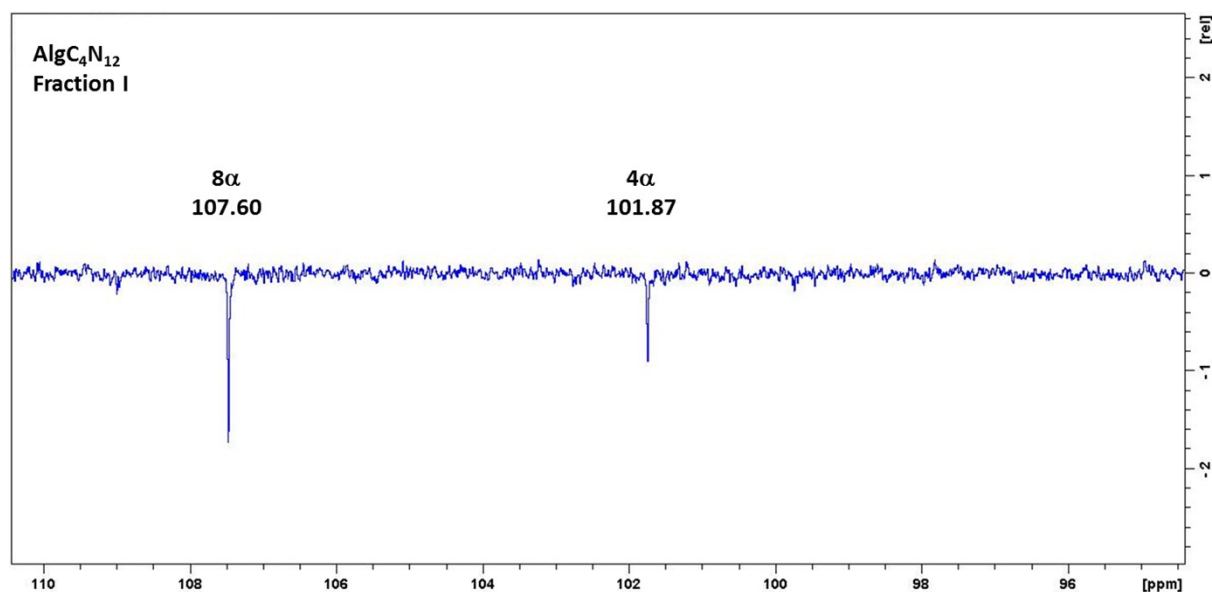


Fig.15b



**Fig.16**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction II** enriched in isomer **4 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulf (major product) and isomers **4 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulf and **10 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -D-Manp (minor products), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **AlgC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>12</sub>** composition. In Fig.16a, full spectrum; in Fig.16b, zoom of the anomeric  $^1\text{H}$  area.

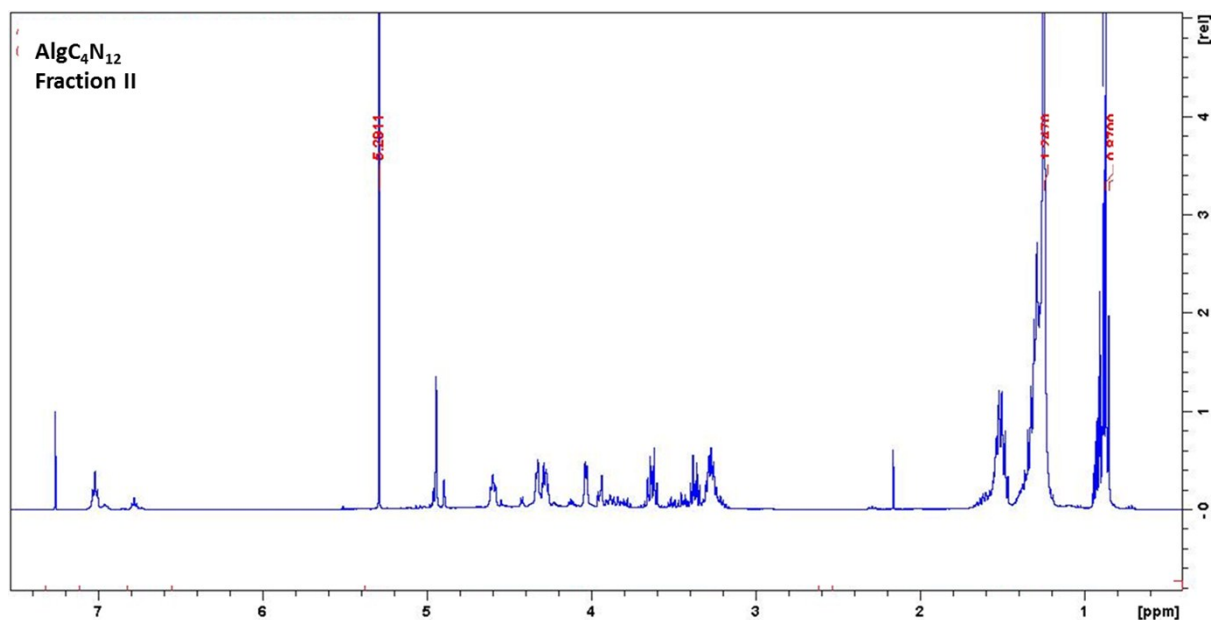


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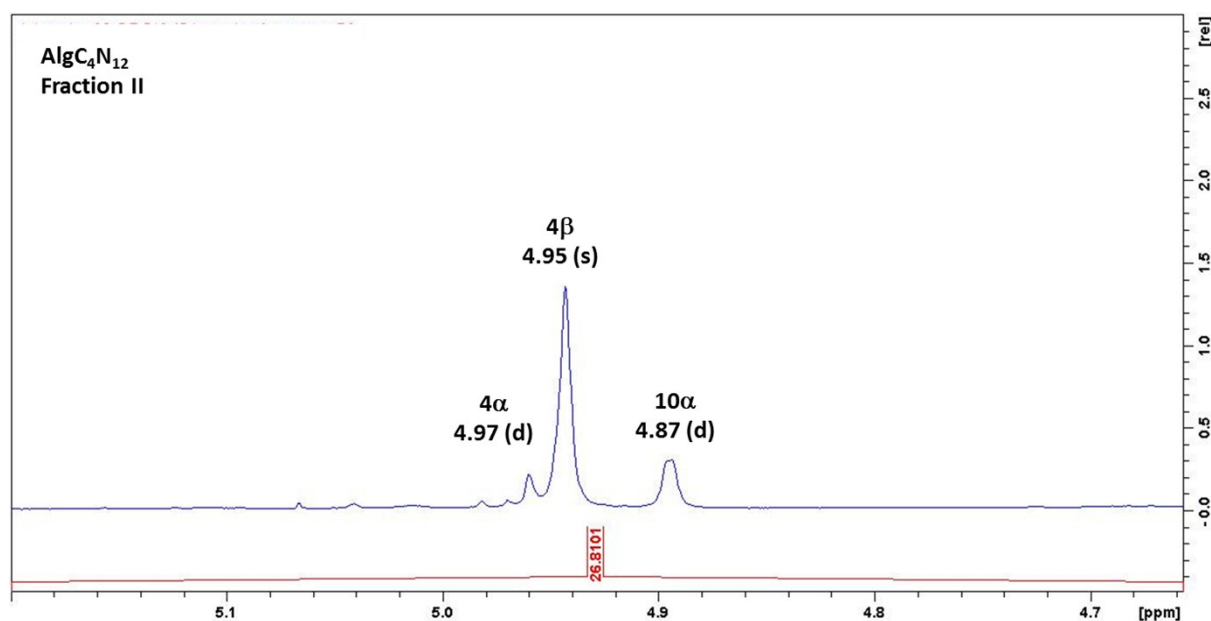


Fig.16b

**Fig.17**  $^{13}\text{C}$  (JMod) NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction II** enriched in isomer **4 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulf (major product) and isomers **4 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulf and **10 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -D-Manp (minor products), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **AlgC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>12</sub>** composition. In Fig.17a, full spectrum; in Fig.17b, zoom of the anomeric  $^{13}\text{C}$  area.

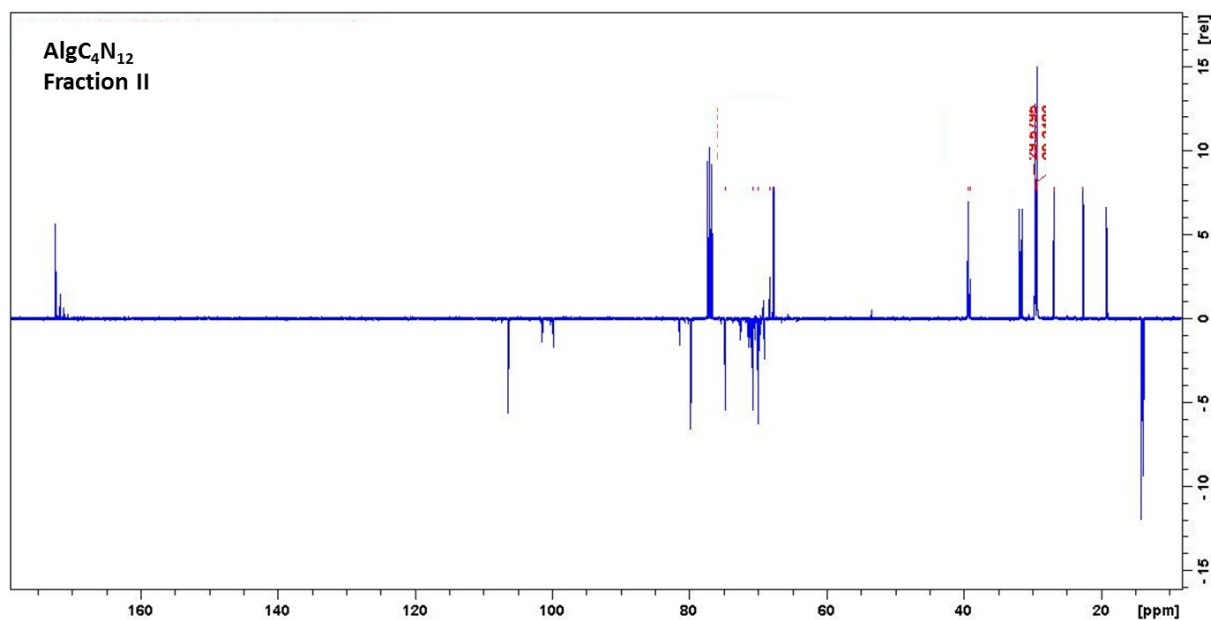


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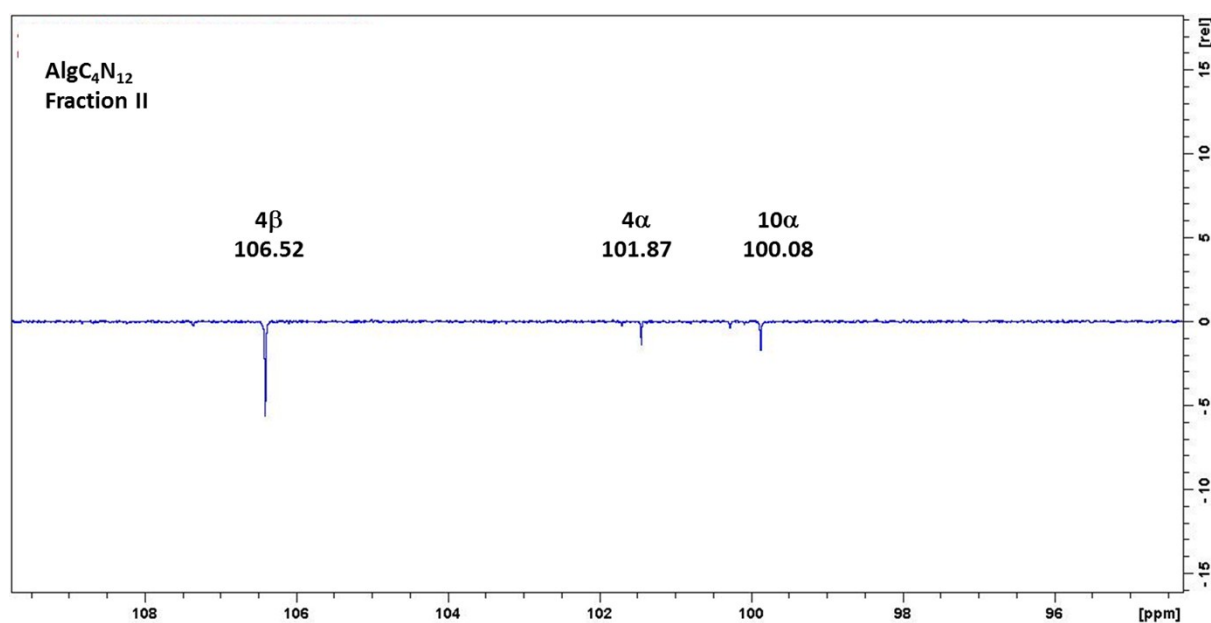


Fig.17b

**Fig.18**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction III** enriched in isomer **6 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulp isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **AlgC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>12</sub>** composition. In Fig.18a, full spectrum; in Fig.18b, zoom of the anomeric  $^1\text{H}$  area.

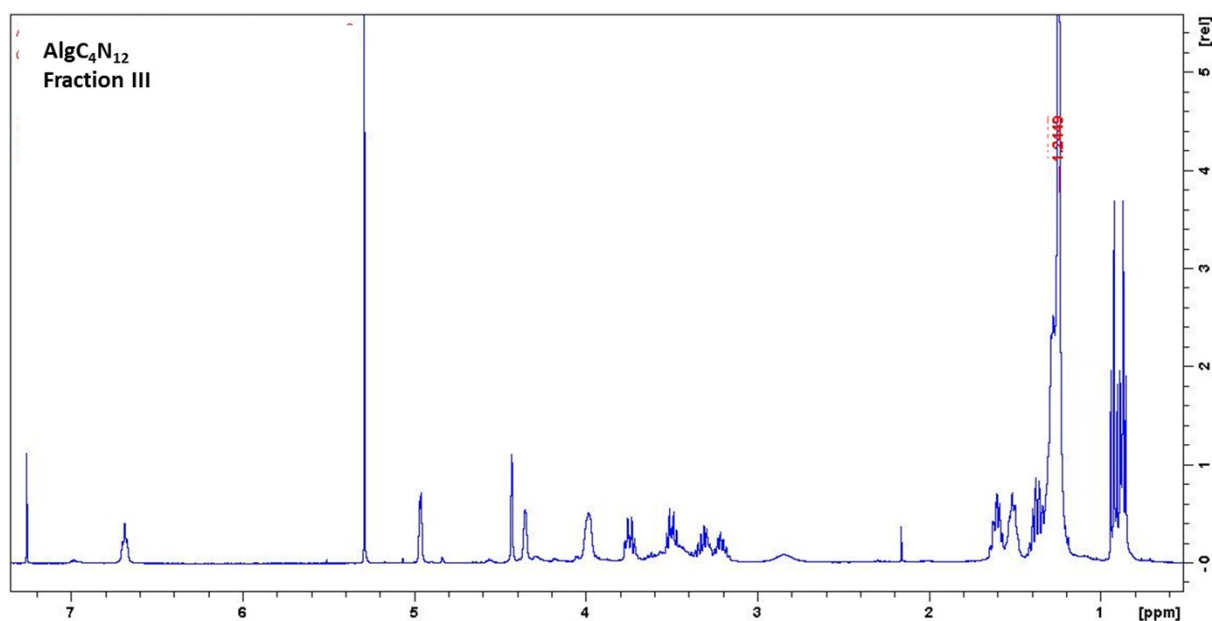


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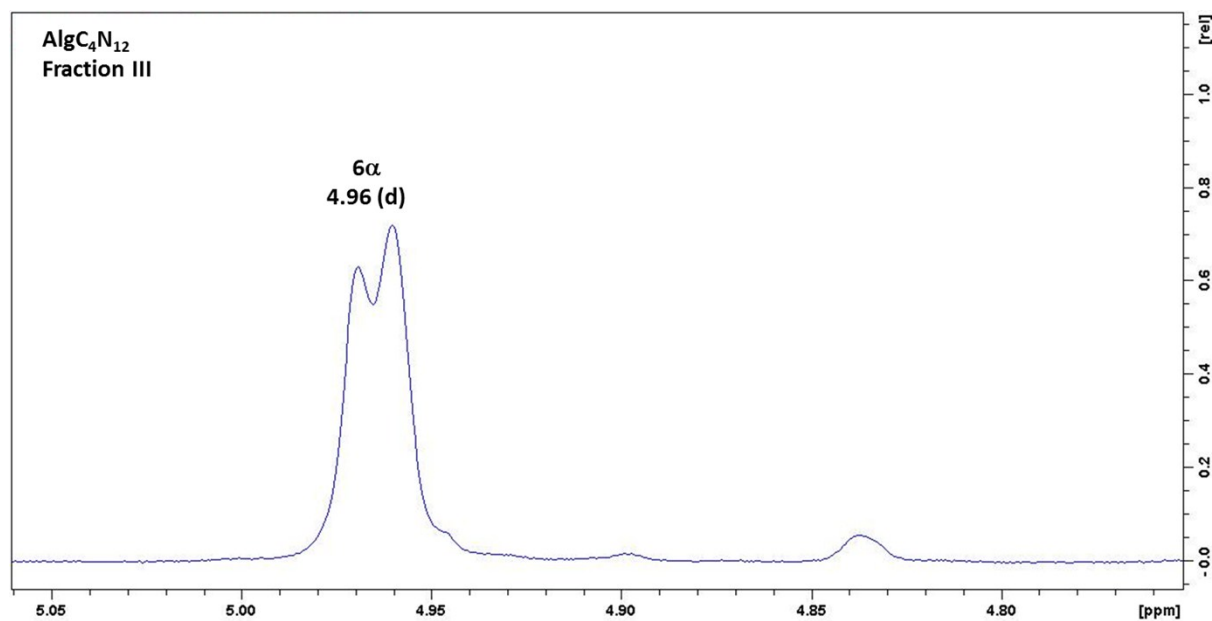


Fig.18b

**Fig.19**  $^{13}\text{C}$  (JMod) NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction III** enriched in isomer **6 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulp isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **AlgC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>12</sub>** composition. In Fig.19a, full spectrum; in Fig.19b, zoom of the anomeric  $^{13}\text{C}$  area.

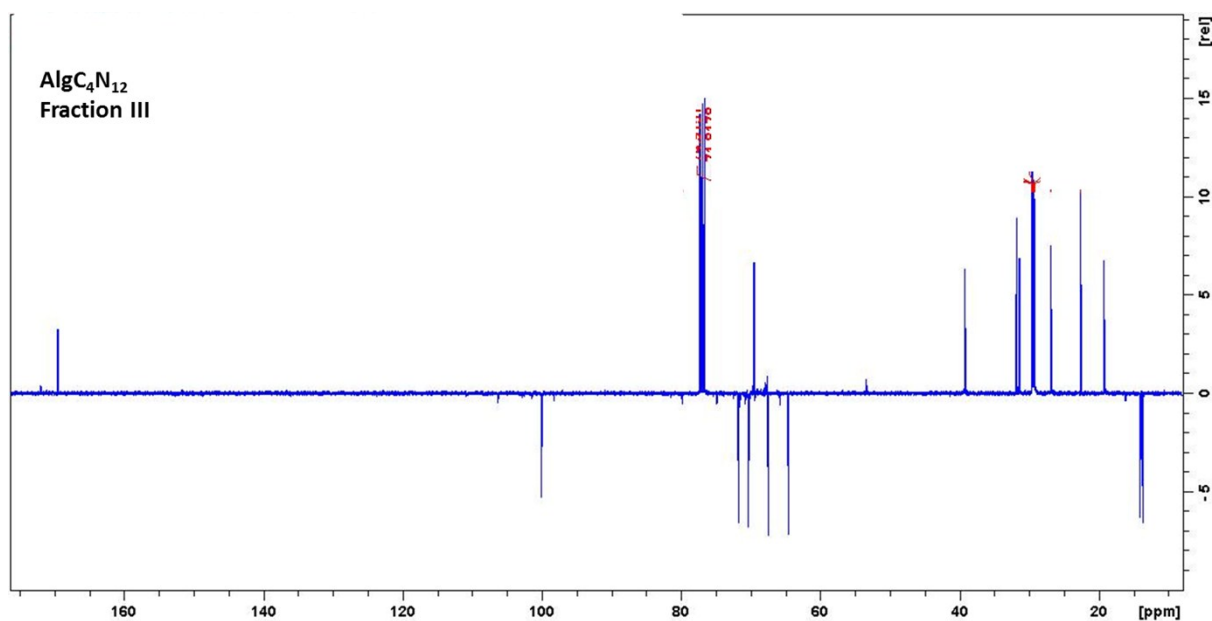


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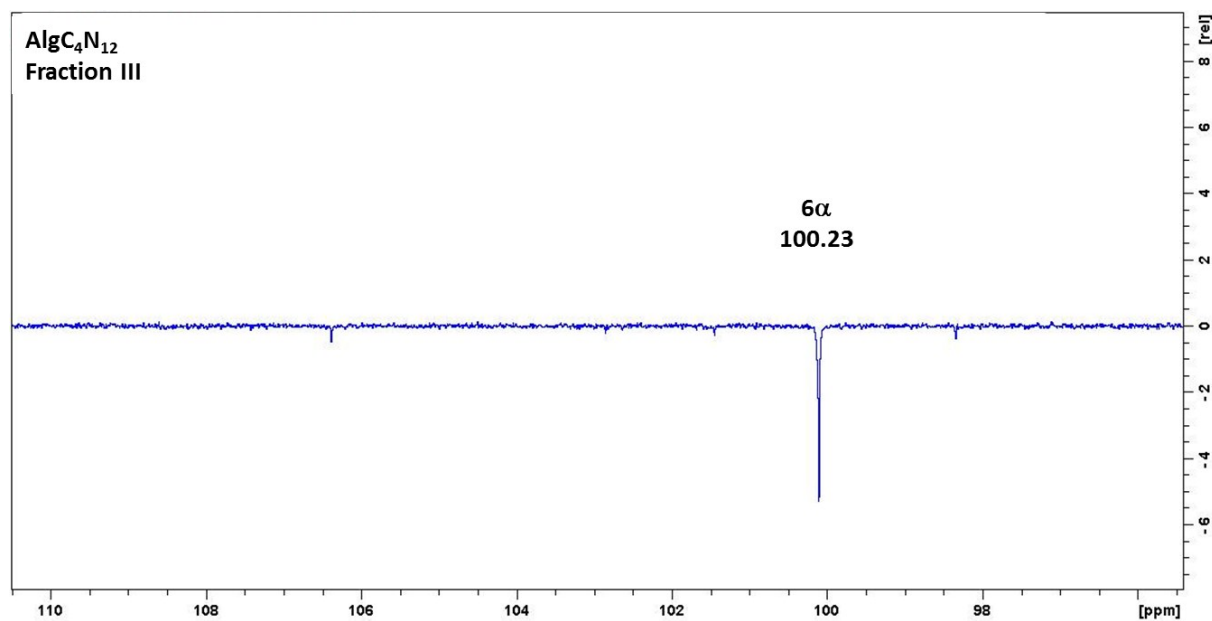


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**Fig.20**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction IV** enriched in isomer **6 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulp isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **AlgC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>12</sub>** composition. In Fig.20a, full spectrum; in Fig.20b, zoom of the anomeric  $^1\text{H}$  area.

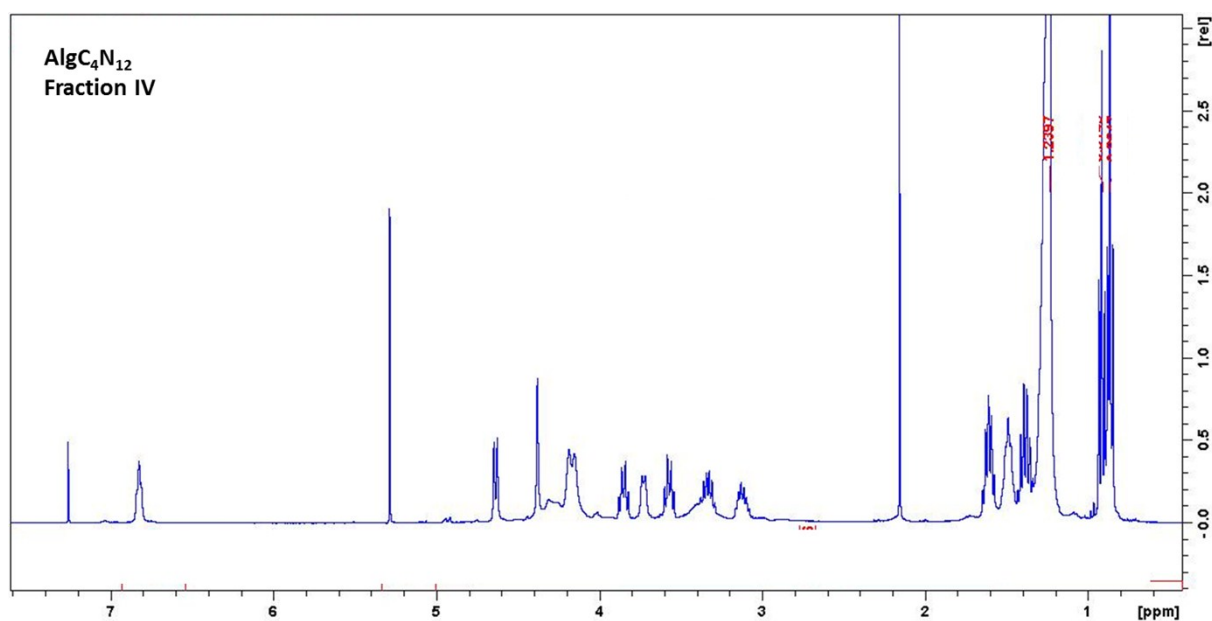


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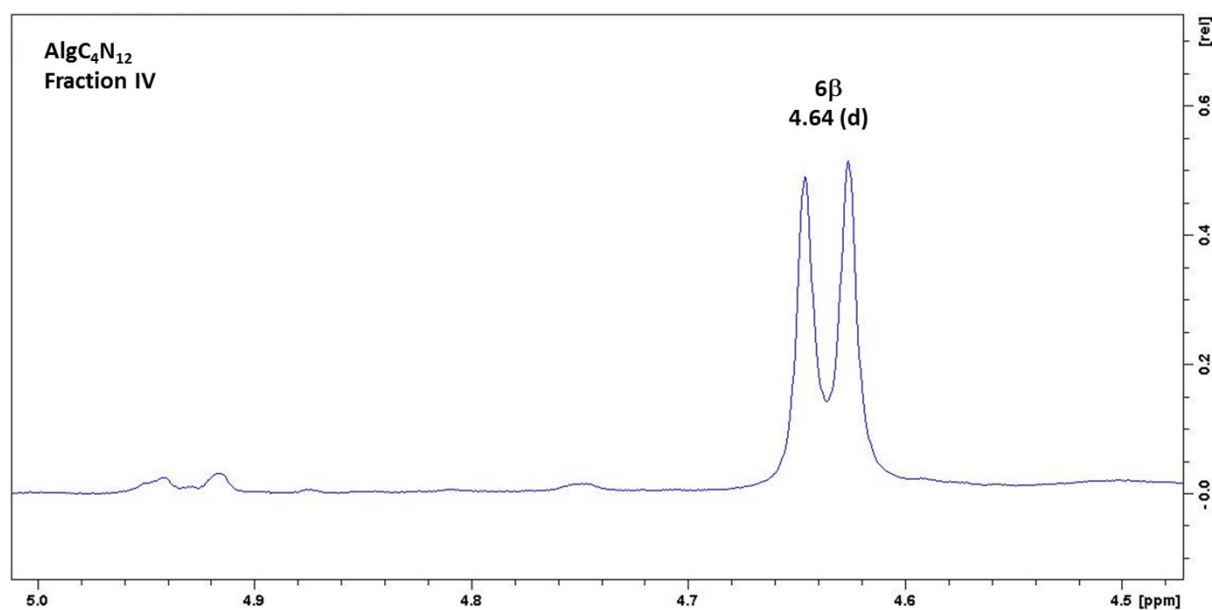


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**Fig.21**  $^{13}\text{C}$  (JMod) NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction IV** enriched in isomer **6 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulp isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **AlgC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>12</sub>** composition. In Fig.21a, full spectrum; in Fig.21b, zoom of the anomeric  $^{13}\text{C}$  area.

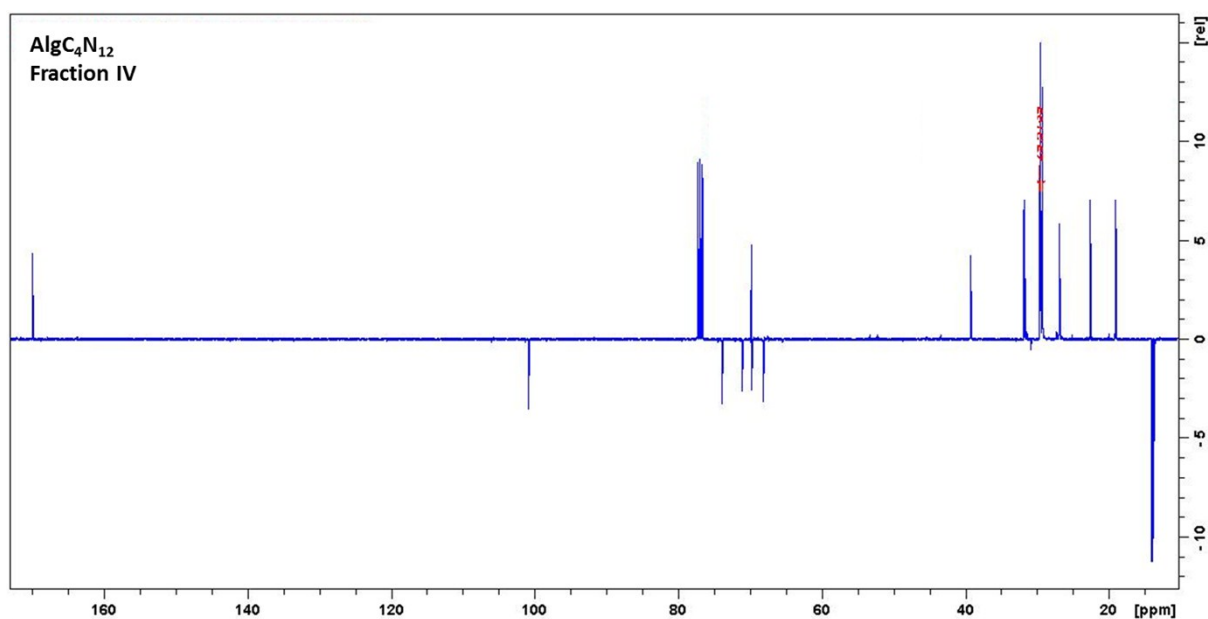


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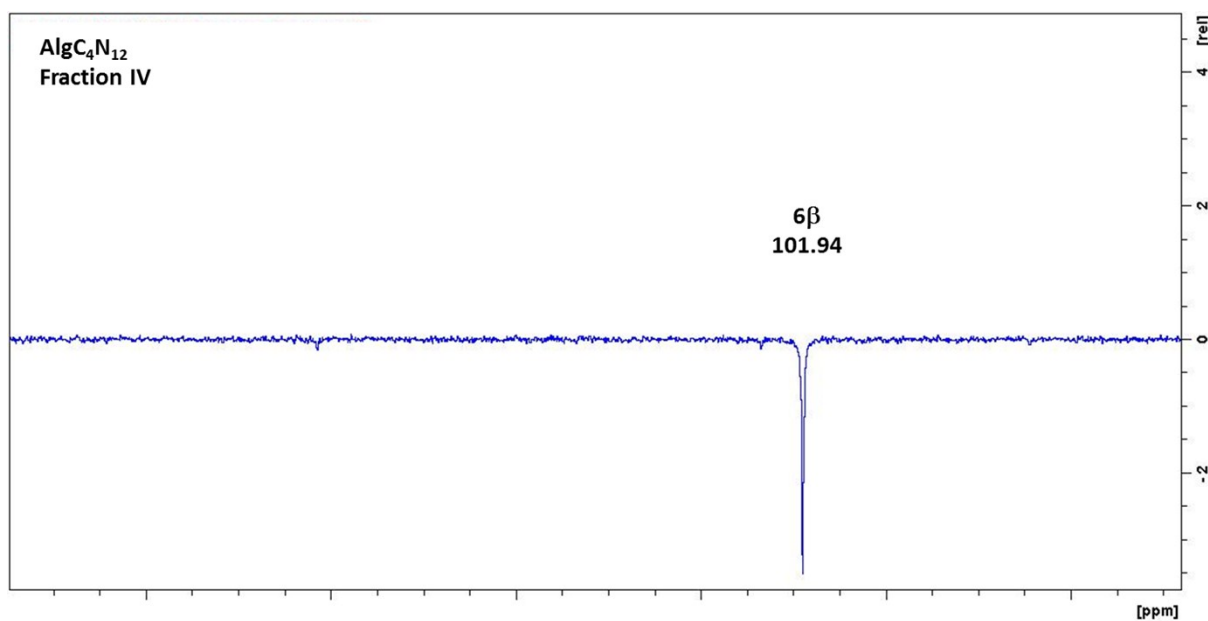


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**Fig.22**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction I** enriched in isomer **9 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -D-Manf (major product) and isomers **5 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulf and **11 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -D-Manp (minor products), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **AlgC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>18</sub>** composition. In Fig.22a, full spectrum; in Fig.22b, zoom of the anomeric  $^1\text{H}$  area.

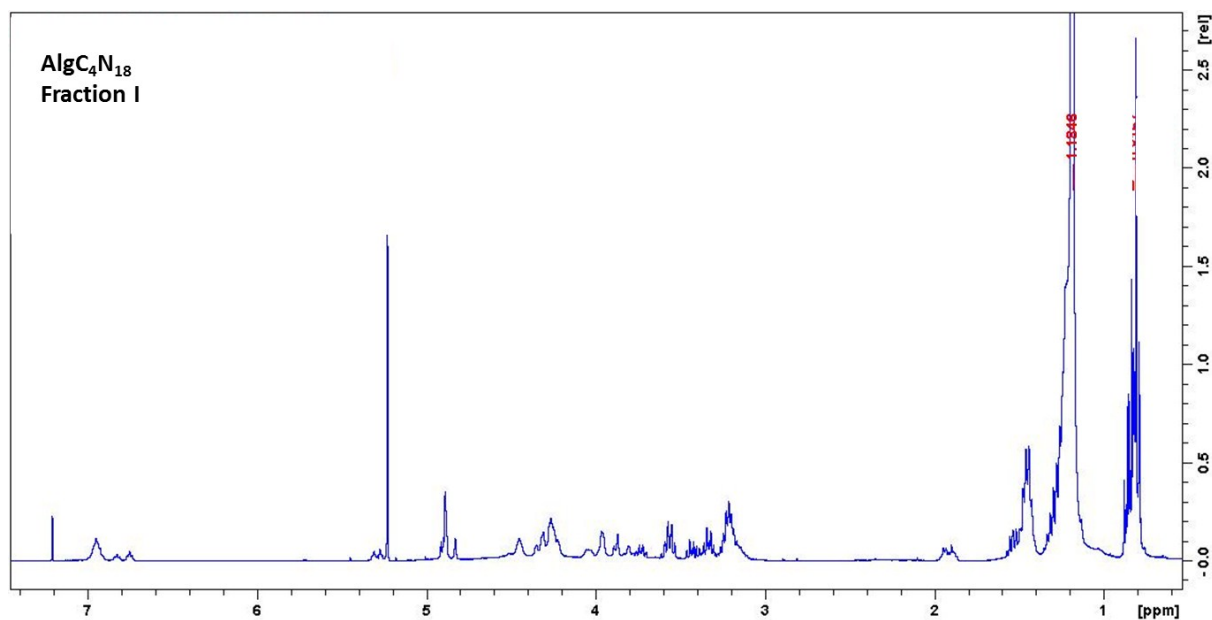


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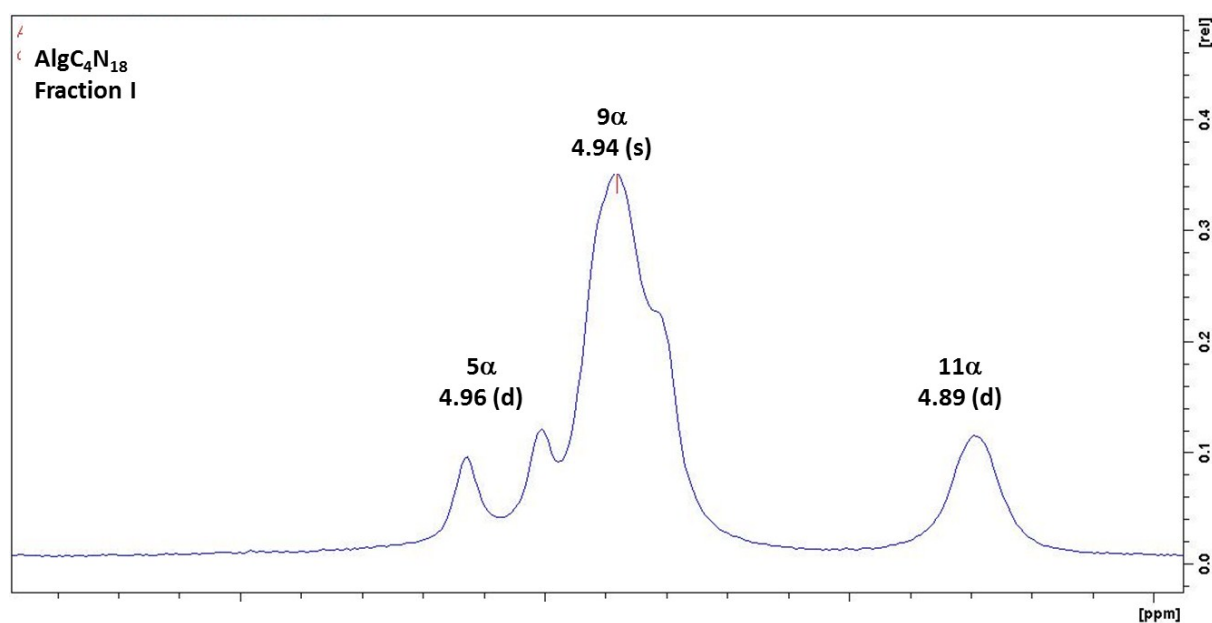


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**Fig.23**  $^{13}\text{C}$  (JMod) NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction I** enriched in isomer **9 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha\text{-D-Manf}$  (major product) and isomers **5 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha\text{-L-Gulf}$  and **11 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha\text{-D-Manp}$  (minor products), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **AlgC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>18</sub>** composition. In Fig.23a, full spectrum; in Fig.23b, zoom of the anomeric  $^{13}\text{C}$  area.

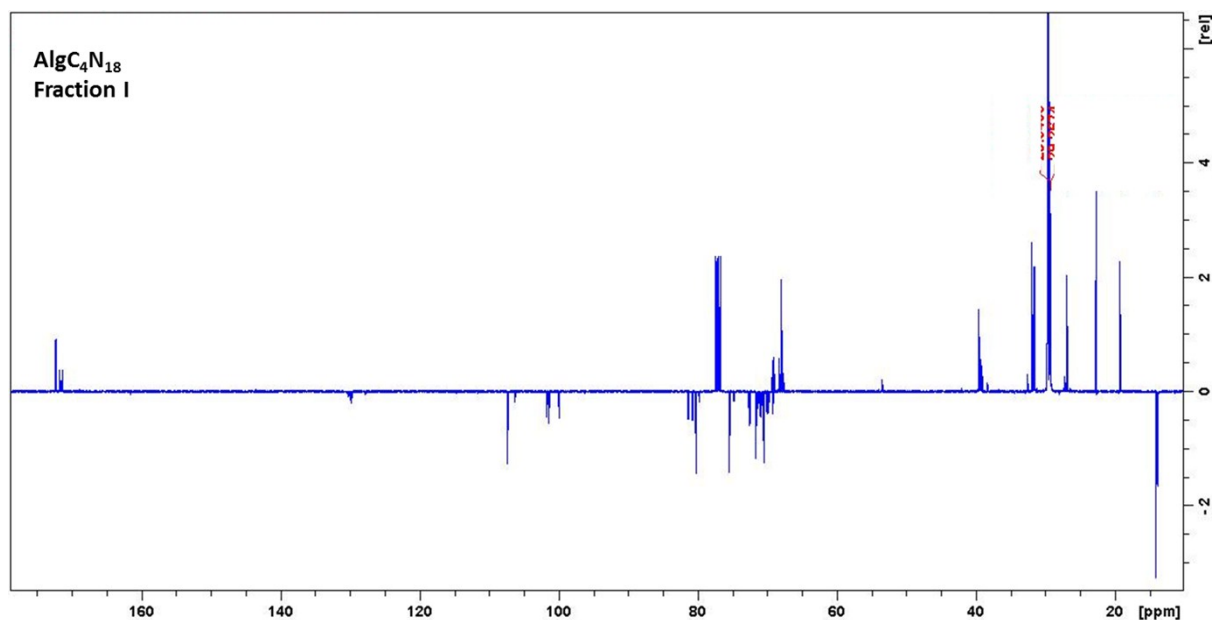


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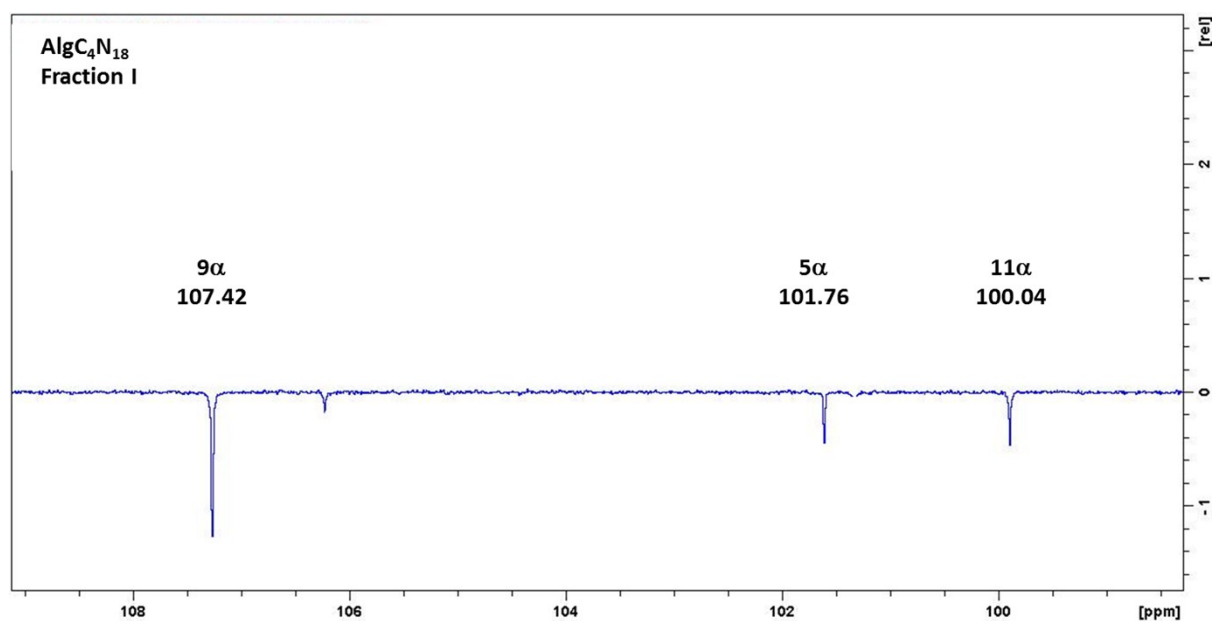


Fig.23b



**Fig.24**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of a **Fraction II** enriched in isomer **7 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulp (major product) and isomers **7 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulp and **5 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulf (minor products), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **AlgC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>18</sub>** composition. In Fig.24a, full spectrum; in Fig.24b, zoom of the anomeric  $^1\text{H}$  area.

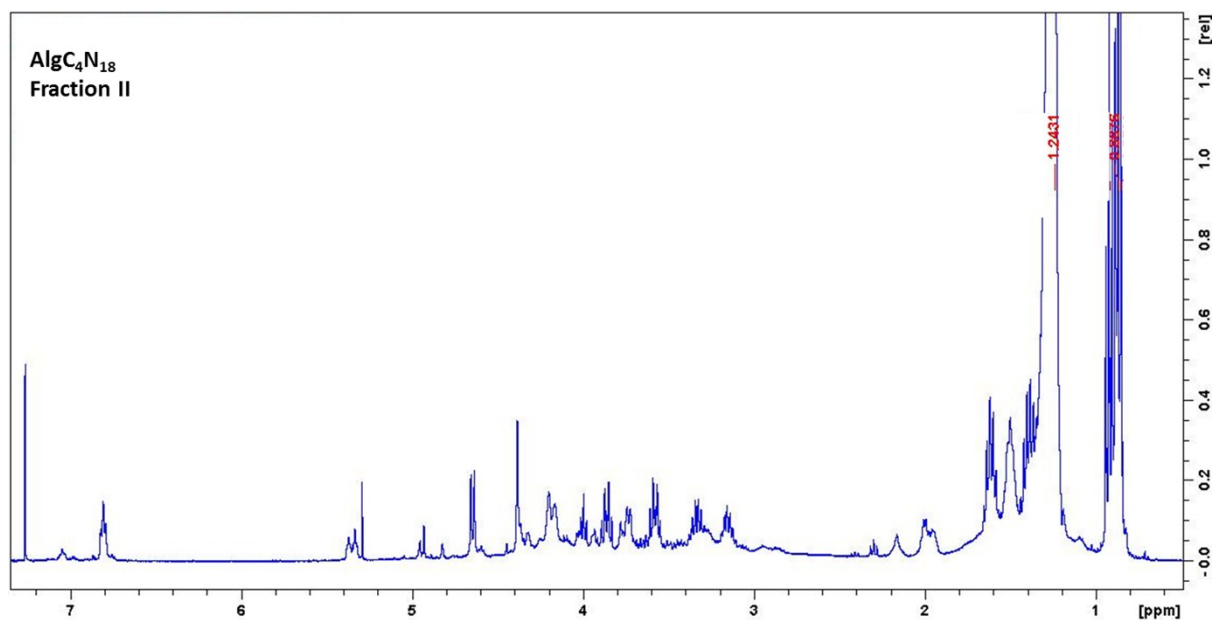


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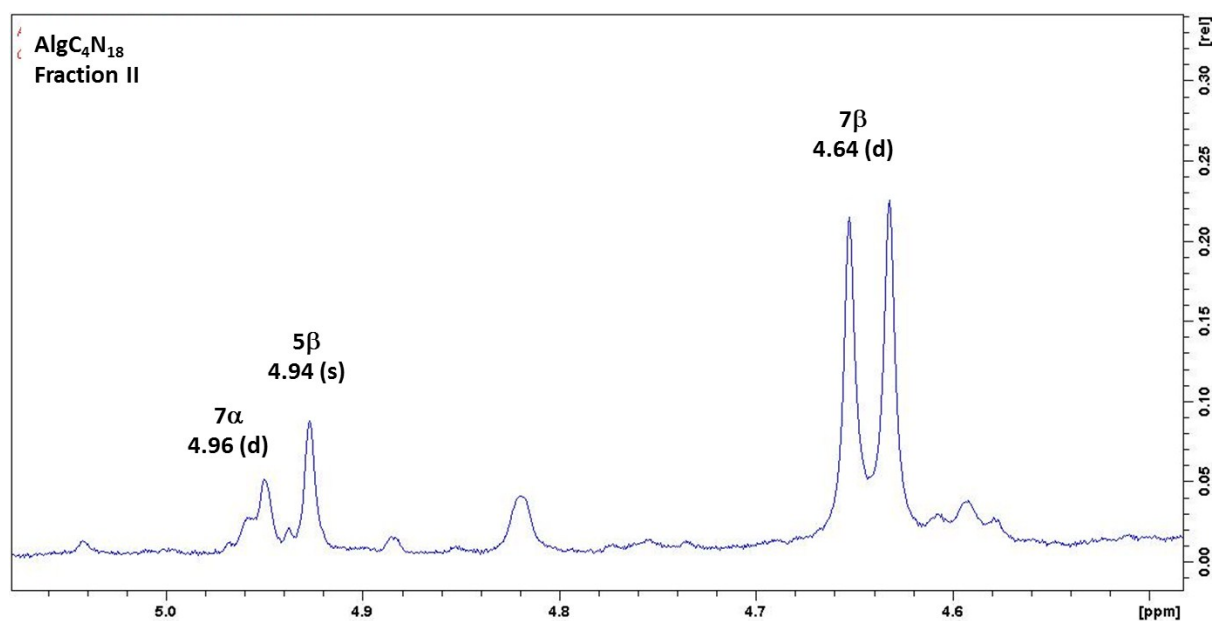


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**Fig.25**  $^{13}\text{C}$  (JMod) NMR spectrum ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) of **Fraction II** enriched in isomer **7 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulp (major product) and isomers **7 $\alpha$** ,  $\alpha$ -L-Gulp and **5 $\beta$** ,  $\beta$ -L-Gulp (minor products), isolated after silica gel column chromatography of the **AlgC<sub>4</sub>N<sub>18</sub>** composition. In Fig.25a, full spectrum; in Fig.25b, zoom of the anomeric  $^{13}\text{C}$  area.

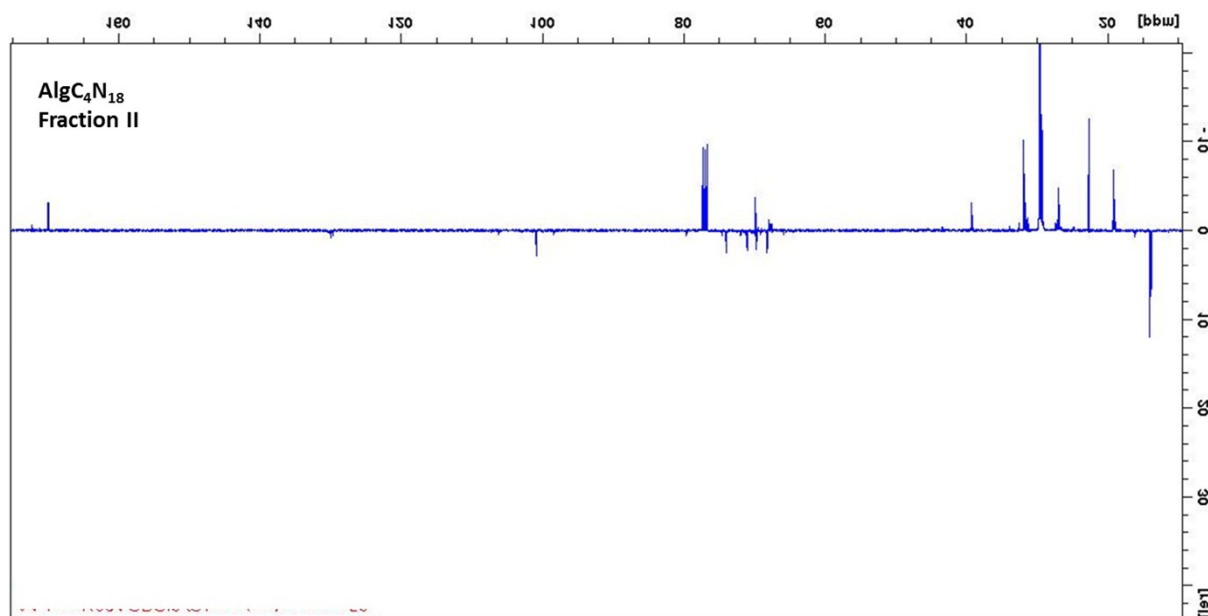


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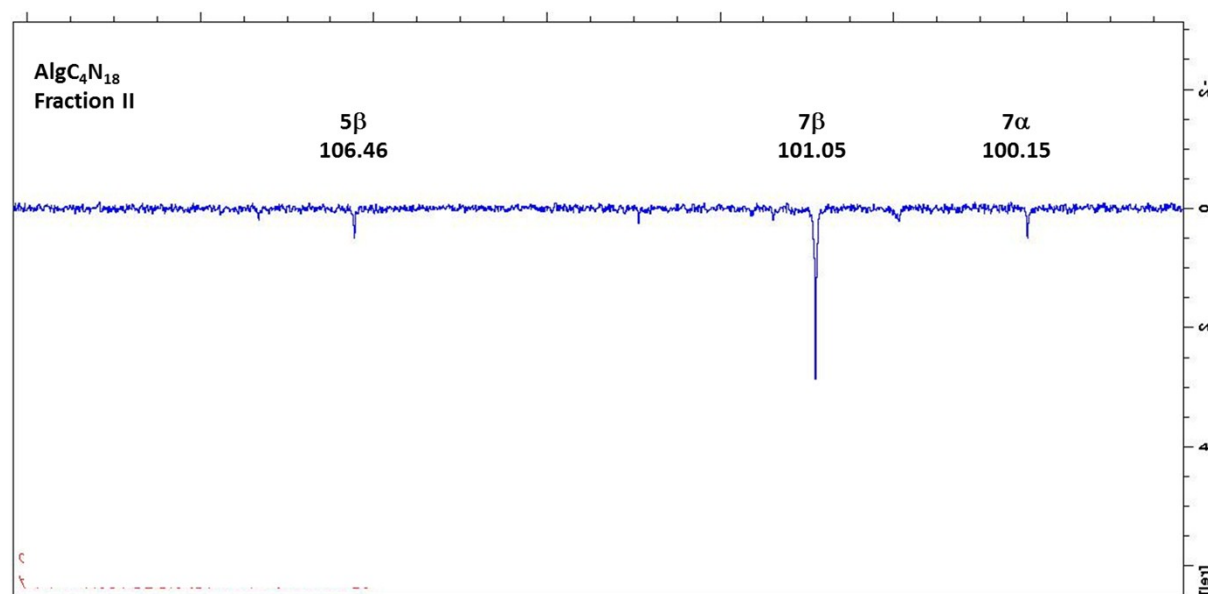


Fig.25b