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Amiloride as a new RNA-binding scaffold with activity against HIV-1 TAR

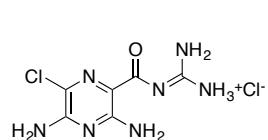
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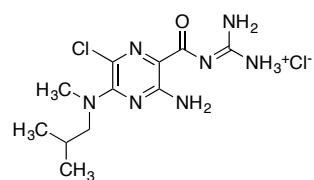
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Section A: Chemistry

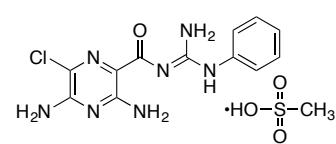
1. Structures of commercially available amiloride derivatives used in displacement assay and SOFAST NMR experiments:



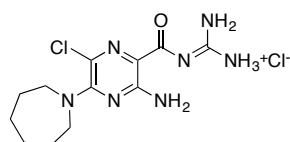
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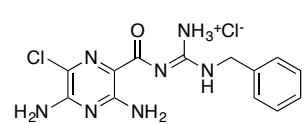
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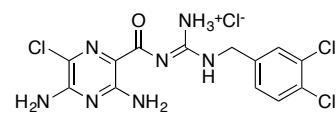
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Figure S1: Structures of commercially available amiloride derivatives tested in assays.

2. Synthetic Procedures and Characterization Data:

General Procedures: All reactions were conducted in oven-dried glassware under an inert atmosphere of nitrogen or argon using magnetic stirring. Dry solvents were obtained using the PureSolv™ solvent purification system prior to use. All other chemical reagents were purchased from commercial sources and were used without further purification. Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed either on aluminum backed silica gel or aluminum oxide (neutral) plates purchased from Merck. Column chromatography was performed on flash grade silica gel (40-63 µm) purchased from Silicycle Inc. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Unity 500 MHz or Varian Inova 400 MHz spectrometers; the corresponding ¹³C NMR resonant frequencies were 126 and 101 MHz, respectively. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane (TMS) with the solvent resonance as an internal standard (Ex: CDCl₃: 7.26 ppm). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, br = broad, m = multiplet), coupling constants (Hz), and integration. Broad singlet peaks, speculated to arise from NH protons, are also noted. In case of ¹³C NMR, chemical shifts are reported in ppm with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl₃: 77.16 ppm). Extra peaks from solvents and other known impurities are marked as X on the spectra and not integrated in ¹H NMR or picked in ¹³C-NMR (**SI-3**). High-resolution mass spectroscopy (HRMS) was performed on an Agilent LCMS time-of-flight (TOF) mass spectrometer using either electrospray ionization (ESI) or atmospheric pressure chemical ionization (APCI). HPLC analyses were performed on Shimadzu LC system using a Phenomenex-C₁₈ reverse phase column using water (with 0.1% v/v of TFA) and acetonitrile as eluents. All compounds tested in binding or activity assays are >95% pure by ¹H NMR and HPLC analyses unless otherwise noted.

General Procedure A: Nucleophilic Aromatic Substitution on Pyrazine with amines.

To a solution of 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester (0.050 g, **2**) in dimethyl formamide (DMF, 0.1 M total reaction concentration) in a round bottom flask under inert atmosphere of nitrogen was added diisopropyl ethylamine (5 eq) and the mixture was allowed to stir for 5 min. Appropriate amine (1.1 eq) was added to this solution, portion-wise with stirring under nitrogen atmosphere. The resulting dark reddish brown solution was stirred at room temperature until thin layer chromatography showed no presence of starting material **2** (18 - 24h). Upon completion, the reaction flask was transferred to a rotary evaporator and the volatiles were removed to dryness. The resulting brown residue was partitioned between water and ethyl acetate. The organic layer was

separated and washed with water (3X 10 mL) and brine (1X 10 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting yellow oil was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel to yield the C(5) functionalized derivatives **3a-n**, **5**, **12**, **15**. TLC retention factors (Rf), purification conditions, ¹H and ¹³C NMR, and HRMS data are supplied under each individual intermediate or derivative.

General Procedure B: Guanidinylation reaction to convert methyl ester intermediates final acyl guanidines.

To a solution of appropriate methyl ester intermediates **3a-3n**, **6-8**, and **13**, **16**, **21a-f**, **23** in tetrahydrofuran (THF, 0.1 M total reaction concentration) or DMF, was added a 2M solution of guanidine in methanol (5 eq). The resulting white cloudy or pale yellow clear reaction mixture was heated to 60 °C on a oil bath and allowed to stir for 24h, or until maximum conversion to the product was observed. After completion, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting pale yellow/white residue was purified using flash column chromatography on silica gel, to yield the final acyl guanidines **4a-n**, **9-11**, **14**, **17**, **22a-f**, **24** as off white or yellow solids. These solids were then treated with a 2M solution of HCl in diethyl ether at 0 °C in a ice water bath for 10 min, triturated with diethyl ether (3 X 10 mL) and dried under high vacuum overnight. TLC retention factors (Rf), reaction yields, ¹H and ¹³C NMR, HRMS data, and HPLC purities are supplied under each individual intermediate or derivative.

General Procedure C: Sonogashira cross-coupling reactions.

To a solution of methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-(dimethylamino) pyrazine-2-carboxylate **15** or amiloride **18** in DMF (0.1 M total reaction concentration) was added Phenylacetylene (2.0 equiv), triethylamine (5 equiv). The resulting yellowish orange solution was then degassed by bubbling argon gas through it for 30 min. Cul (0.01 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (0.025 equiv) was then added to this solution upon which the color of the solution changes to orange-brown. This solution is then heated to 85 °C and stirred for 18h or until thin layer chromatography indicated complete consumption of the starting compound **15** or **18**. The reaction mixture was then separated between equal volumes of ethyl acetate and brine 50 mL, and the phases were separated. The organic phases were then combined and washed with water (3 X 25 mL) and brine (1 X 25 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Resulting brown oil was then purified by flash chromatography to yield product **16** and **19** as yellow oils that solidified upon standing. TLC retention

factors (Rf), reaction yields, ¹H and ¹³C NMR, HRMS data, and HPLC purities are supplied under each individual intermediate or derivative.

General Procedure D: Suzuki cross-coupling reactions.

To a solution of methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-(dimethylamino) pyrazine-2-carboxylate **15** in a 1:1 mixture of THF and water (0.1 M total reaction concentration) was added appropriate boronic acid (1.2 equiv), Na₂CO₃ (5 equiv). The resulting clear or yellowish solution was then degassed by bubbling argon gas through it for 30 min. Pd(PPh₃)₄ catalyst (0.05 equiv) was then added to this solution upon which the color of the solution changes to deep yellow. This solution is then heated to 65 °C on an oil bath and stirred for 18h or until thin layer chromatography indicated complete consumption of the starting compound **15**. The reaction mixture was then separated between equal volumes of ethyl acetate and brine 50 mL, and the phases were separated. The organic phases were then washed with water (3 X 25 mL) and brine (1 X 25 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Resulting yellow solid residue was then purified by flash chromatography to yield products **21a-f** and **23** as yellow solids. TLC retention factors (Rf), reaction yields, ¹H and ¹³C NMR, HRMS data, are supplied under each individual intermediate or derivative.

Characterization Data for Amilorides and Intermediates -

Methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (3a)¹: Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and pyrrolidine. 80% yield, Rf: 0.35 (5:1 - Hexanes: EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.9 (s, 3H), 3.7 (m, 4H), 1.9 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.4, 154.2, 151.3, 120.3, 110.5, 51.9, 50.1, 25.5. HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₀H₁₃ClN₄NaO₂ [M+Na]: 279.0619, Found: 279.0618 (± 0.525 ppm).

Methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-(piperidin-1-yl) pyrazine-2-carboxylate (3b)²: Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and piperidine. 83% yield, Rf 0.3 (5:1- Hexanes: EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.9 (s, 3H), 3.5 (m, 4H), 1.6 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.3, 154.9, 153.9, 123.8, 112.6, 52.1, 49.2, 25.7, 24.3. HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₁H₁₆ClN₄O₂ [M+H]: 271.0956, Found: 271.0962 (± 1.9 ppm).

Methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-(phenethylamino)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (3c)¹: Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and phenethylamine. 97% yield, Rf: 0.25 (5:1 -

Hexanes: EtOAc); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.4-7.2 (m, 5H), 5.6 (bs, 1H, NH), 3.9 (s, 3H), 3.74 (q, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.95 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.8, 155.8, 151.7, 138.7, 129.0, 127.0, 121.8, 110.6, 52.3, 42.8, 35.4. Overlap of peaks observed in the aromatic region. HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{16}\text{ClN}_4\text{O}_2$ [M+H]: 307.0956, Found: 307.0957 (± 1.4 ppm).

Methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-((4-fluorophenethyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (3d): Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and 2-(4-fluorophenyl)ethan-1-amine. 88% yield, Rf: 0.35 (5:1 - Hexanes: EtOAc); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.2-7.1 (m, 2H), 7.0-6.9 (m, 2H), 5.6 (bs, 1H, NH), 3.9 (s, 3H), 3.6 (m, 2H), 2.9 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.8, 162.9, 161.0, 155.8, 151.6, 134.4, 130.4 (d, $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 21$ Hz), 121.7, 115.8 (d, $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 21$ Hz), 110.7, 52.3, 42.8, 34.6. One extra peak in the aromatic region, due to strongly split fluorine substituted carbon in aromatic ring. The 1 bond C-F coupling pattern for this peak is indiscernible in this spectrum.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{15}\text{ClFN}_4\text{O}_2$ [M+H]: 325.0862, Found: 325.0868 (± 1.7 ppm).

Methyl 3-amino-5-(benzylamino)-6-chloropyrazine-2-carboxylate (3e)^{1, 2}: Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and benzylamine. 91% yield, Rf: 0.35 (5:1 - Hexanes: EtOAc); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.5-7.2 (m, 5H), 5.9 (bs, 1H, NH), 4.7 (m, 2H), 3.9 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.8, 155.8, 151.6, 137.8, 129.1, 128.1, 128.0, 121.6, 111.0, 52.3, 45.5. HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{ClN}_4\text{O}_2$ [M+H]: 293.0800, Found: 293.0807 (± 2.6 ppm).

Methyl 5-((3-(1*H*-imidazol-1-yl)propyl)amino)-3-amino-6-chloropyrazine-2-carboxylate (3f): Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and 3-(1*H*-imidazol-1-yl)propan-1-amine. 86% yield, Rf: 0.3 (90:9:1 – DCM: MeOH: NH_4OH); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.5 (s, 1H), 7.1 (s, 1H), 6.9 (s, 1H), 5.8 (bs, 1H, NH), 4.0 (m, 2H), 3.9 (s, 3H), 3.5 (m, 2H), 2.1 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.7, 155.6, 151.7, 137.5, 129.9, 121.4, 119.1, 110.9, 52.3, 44.6, 38.5, 30.7; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{16}\text{ClN}_6\text{O}_2$ [M+H]: 311.1018, Found: 311.1025 (± 2.1 ppm).

Methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-((3-(2-oxopyrrolidin-1-yl)propyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (3g): Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and 1-(3-aminopropyl)pyrrolidin-2-one. 91% yield. Rf: 0.3 (90:9:1 – DCM: MeOH: NH_4OH); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 6.8 (bs, 1H, NH), 3.9 (s, 3H), 3.5-3.3 (m, 6H), 2.4 (t, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.1 (p, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2H), 1.8 (p, $J = 6.2$ Hz,

2H). ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 176.3, 166.8, 155.8, 151.8, 122.2, 110.0, 52.1, 47.6, 40.0, 37.7, 31.0, 26.3, 18.2.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{19}\text{ClN}_5\text{O}_3$ [M+H]: 328.1171, Found: 328.1172 (\pm 0.8 ppm).

Methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-((2-(piperazin-1-yl)ethyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (3h): Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and 2-(piperazin-1-yl)ethan-1-amine. 88% yield, Rf: 0.15 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH_4OH); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 3.9-4.0 (s, 3H), 3.75-3.55 (m, 4H), 3.5-3.3 (m, 6H), 3.0-2.7 (m, 2H), 2.65-2.5 (m, 4H), 2.44 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.5, 154.8, 154.1, 123.9, 113.4, 61.1, 53.2, 52.5, 48.2, 38.9; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{20}\text{ClN}_6\text{O}_2$ [M+H]: 315.1331, Found: 315.1333 (\pm 1.3 ppm)

Methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-((4-sulfamoylphenethyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (3i): Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and 4-(2-aminoethyl)benzenesulfonamide. 29% yield, Rf: 0.22 (90:9:1 – DCM: MeOH: NH_4OH); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD) δ 7.4-7.2 (m, 2H), 7.1-6.9 (m, 2H), 3.7 (s, 3H), 3.65-3.5 (m, 2H), 2.95-2.8 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-d_6) δ 166.6, 156.3, 151.9, 144.2, 142.8, 129.9, 126.4, 120.4, 109.2, 51.9, 42.7, 34.7; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{17}\text{ClN}_5\text{O}_4\text{S}$ [M+H]: 386.0684, Found: 386.0682 (\pm 0.5 ppm)

Methyl 5-((2-(1*H*-indol-3-yl)ethyl)amino)-3-amino-6-chloropyrazine-2-carboxylate (3j): Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and tryptamine. 73% yield. Rf: 0.15 (90:9:1 – DCM: MeOH: NH_4OH); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.45-8.2 (bs, 1H, NH), 7.7-7.6 (m, 1H), 7.5-7.3 (m, 1H), 7.3-7.1(m, 2H), 7.1-6.95(m, 1H), 5.7 (bs, 1H, NH), 3.9 (s, 3H), 3.85-3.65 (m, 2H), 3.2-2.95 (m, 2H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.8, 155.9, 151.8, 136.8, 127.4, 122.5, 122.5, 121.9, 119.8, 118.9, 112.7, 111.7, 110.4, 52.3, 41.7, 25.2.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{17}\text{ClN}_5\text{O}_2$ [M+H]: 346.1065, Found: 346.1071 (\pm 1.6 ppm)

Methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-((3,4-difluorobenzyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (3k): Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and (3,4-difluorophenyl)methanamine. 72% yield, Rf: 0.4 (5:1 - Hexanes: EtOAc); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.24-7.10 (m, 2H), 7.10-7.0 (m, 1H), 5.9 (bs, 1H, NH), 4.7-4.55 (m, 2H), 3.95-3.85 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.7, 155.6, 151.4, 149.0, 134.9, 123.8, 121.4, 117.8(d, $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}}$ = 17.4 Hz), 116.9 (d, $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}}$ = 17.6 Hz), 111.4, 52.4, 44.4. Peak overlap seen in aromatic region, which leads to one less peak than expected. The 1 bond C-F coupling patterns are indiscernible in this spectrum ; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{12}\text{ClF}_2\text{N}_4\text{O}_2$ [M+H]: 329.0611, Found: 329.0613 (\pm 0.4 ppm)

Methyl 5-((2-(1*H*-benzo[*d*]imidazol-2-yl)ethyl)amino)-3-amino-6-chloropyrazine-2-carboxylate (3l):

Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and 2-(1*H*-benzo[*d*]imidazol-2-yl)ethan-1-amine. 72% yield, Rf: 0.2 (90:9:1 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62-7.5 (m, 2H), 7.2 (m, 2H), 6.5 (bs, 1H, NH), 4.0-3.9 (m, 2H), 3.8 (s, 3H), 3.3-3.1 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.0, 155.6, 152.5, 151.7, 122.8, 122.8, 121.9, 115.1, 110.5, 52.2, 39.7, 28.7.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₅H₁₆CIN₆O₂[M+H]: 347.1018, Found: 347.1020 (± 0.6 ppm)

Methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-((tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)methyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (3m):

Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and racemic-(tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)methanamine. 86% yield, Rf: 0.4 (5:1 - Hexanes: EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.9 (bs, 1H, NH), 4.11 (qt, J = 6.4, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 3.98 - 3.88 (m, 4H), 3.82 (dt, J = 8.4, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (ddd, J = 13.7, 6.1, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 3.47 -3.39 (m, 1H), 2.05 (ddt, J = 13.9, 11.2, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 2.00 -1.91 (m, 2H), 1.68 -1.56 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.5, 155.5, 151.6, 121.6, 110.3, 77.0 (overlapping with CDCl₃ solvent peak), 68.2, 52.0, 44.9, 28.8, 25.9.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₁H₁₆CIN₄O₃[M+H]: 287.0911, Found: 287.0907 (± 1.4 ppm)

Methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-((2-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)ethyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (3n):

Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and 2-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)ethan-1-amine. 56% yield. Rf: 0.2 (90:9:1 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ – 6.4 (bs, 1H, NH), 3.9-3.7 (s, 3H), 3.41 (tdd, J = 6.1, 4.5, 0.9 Hz, 2H), 2.9-1.9 (m, 13H) – Broad peak observed for 8H in piperazine ring which overlaps with one methylene peak (2H), and N-CH₃ (3H) peak.; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.8, 155.9, 151.7, 121.8, 110.1, 55.7, 55.4, 52.8, 52.2, 46.2, 37.8.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₃H₂₂CIN₆O₂[M+H]: 329.1487, Found: 329.1490 (± 0.8 ppm)

3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4a)^{1, 3}: Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **3a**. 67% yield. Rf: 0.2 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 3.88-3.56 (m, 4H), 1.86 (dq, J = 10.6, 6.6, 4.9 Hz, 4H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 165.5, 155.8, 154.5, 151.6, 120.0, 109.0, 50.8, 25.3.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₀H₁₅CIN₇O [M+H] – 284.1021, Found: 284.1023 (± 0.57 ppm). HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 7.458 min, Purity – 97%.

3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-(piperidin-1-yl)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4b)^{2, 3}: Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **3b**. 69% yield, Rf: 0.3 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H

NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 3.71 (q, J = 12.8, 9.2 Hz, 4H), 1.89-1.52 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 166.0, 156.0, 155.6, 154.8, 122.3, 111.3, 49.2, 25.9, 24.2.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₁H₁₇CIN₇O – 298.1178, Found: 298.1178 (± 0.2 ppm). HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 7.923 min, Purity – 98%

3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-(phenethylamino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4c)^{3, 4:}

Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **3c**. 88% yield, Rf: 0.30 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.38 - 7.10 (m, 5H), 3.70 (dd, J = 8.6, 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.93 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 165.7, 156.3, 155.8, 152.8, 139.2, 128.8, 128.3, 126.2, 121.2, 108.4, 42.8, 34.9.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₄H₁₇CIN₇O – 334.1178, Found – 334.1176 (± 0.8 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 8.229 min, Purity – 99%

3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-((4-fluorophenethyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4d)^{3:}

Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **3d**. 86% yield, Rf: 0.35 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.36 - 7.21 (m, 2H), 7.09 - 6.96 (m, 2H), 3.70 (dd, J = 8.2, 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.93 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 172.7, 165.7, 162.8, 156.4, 155.9, 152.9, 135.2, 130.45 (d, J_{C-F} = 6.7 Hz), 121.2, 114.85 d, (J_{C-F} = 21.4 Hz), 108.5, 42.7, 34.0.; One extra peak in the aromatic region, due to strongly split fluorine substituted carbon in aromatic ring. The 1 bond C-F coupling pattern for this peak is indiscernible in this spectrum.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₄H₁₆CIFN₇O – 352.1083, Found – 352.1081 (± 0.5 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 8.392 min, Purity – 99%.

3-amino-5-(benzylamino)-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4e)^{1, 2, 4:} Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **3e**. 58% yield, Rf: 0.15 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.57 - 7.12 (m, 5H), 4.71 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 2H).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 165.7, 156.4, 155.9, 153.0, 138.6, 128.1, 127.3, 126.9, 121.1, 108.8, 44.3.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₃H₁₅CIN₇O – 320.1021, Found: 320.1023 (± 0.6 ppm).; HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 7.940 min, Purity – 95%.

5-((3-(1*H*-imidazol-1-yl)propyl)amino)-3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4f): Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **3f**. 89% yield, Rf: 0.12 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 9.04 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.86 - 7.68 (m, 1H), 7.66 - 7.52 (m, 1H), 4.39 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.62 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 2.42 - 2.21 (m, 2H).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 165.8, 156.2, 155.9, 153.1, 135.4, 122.2, 121.2, 120.0, 108.8, 47.3 (overlapping with CD₃OD peak), 38.0,

29.3.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₂H₁₇CIN₉O – 338.1239, Found – 338.1239 (\pm 0.2 ppm); HPLC analysis:

Ret. time – 5.437 min, Purity – 98%

3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-((3-(2-oxopyrrolidin-1-yl)propyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4g):

Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **3g**. 70% yield, Rf: 0.25 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 3.62 - 3.57 (m, 2H), 3.54 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 3.44 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.54 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 2.14 (p, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.93 (p, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 177.4, 165.7, 156.2, 155.8, 152.8, 121.3, 108.5, 48.2 (overlapping with CD₃OD peak), 40.5, 38.2, 30.8, 25.9, 17.6.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₃H₂₀CIN₈O₂ – 355.1392, Found – 355.1392 (\pm 0.33 ppm). HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 6.317 min, Purity – 94%

3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-((2-(piperazin-1-yl) ethyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide(4h):

Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **3h**. 27% yield, Rf <0.1 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, D₂O) δ 3.75 (d, J = 0.9 Hz, 2H), 3.51 (m, 8H), 3.35 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 2H).; ¹³CNMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 166.9, 156.8, 156.3, 155.7, 123.8, 114.3, 54.7, 53.2, 46.2, 35.1.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₂H₂₁CIN₉O – 342.1552, Found – 342.1554 (\pm 0.7 ppm).; HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 4.926 min, Purity – 95%

3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-((4-sulfamoylphenethyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4i):

Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **3i**. 19% yield, Rf <0.1 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.37 - 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.10 - 6.94 (m, 2H), 3.71 (dd, J = 8.2, 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.94 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.23 (s, 2H); ¹³CNMR (126 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 166.0, 156.4, 156.0, 152.8, 139.8, 129.4, 129.0, 126.9, 120.8, 109.0, 43.3, 34.9.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₄H₁₈CIN₈O₃S – 413.0906, Found – 413.0907 (\pm 0.82 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 6.897 min, Purity – 96%

5-((2-(1*H*-indol-3-yl)ethyl)amino)-3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4j):

Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **3j**. 39% yield, Rf: 0.2 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.61 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.18 - 6.92 (m, 3H), 3.92 - 3.67 (m, 2H), 3.10 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 165.7, 156.5, 155.9, 153.0, 137.0, 127.6, 122.4, 121.3, 121.2, 118.5, 118.2, 111.9, 111.1, 108.4, 42.1, 24.6.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₆H₁₈CIN₈O – 373.1287, Found – 373.1285 (\pm 0.6 ppm).; HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 8.181 min, Purity – 99%

3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-((3,4-difluorobenzyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4k):

Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **3k**. 72% yield, Rf: 0.3 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.36 - 7.28 (m, 1H), 7.21 (tt, J = 5.7, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 4.66 (s, 2H).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 165.7, 156.2, 155.8, 152.8, 150.9 (dd, J_{C-F} = 82.7, 12.6 Hz), 148.9 (dd, J_{C-F} = 81.8, 12.6 Hz), 136.3, 124.2, 121.1, 117.0 (d, J_{C-F} = 17.4 Hz), 116.7 (d, J_{C-F} = 17.6 Hz), 109.0, 43.4.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₃H₁₃ClF₂N₇O – 356.0833, Found – 356.0831 (± 0.9 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 8.126 min, Purity – 98% .

5-((2-(1*H*-benzo[d]imidazol-2-yl)ethyl)amino)-3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)pyrazine-2-

carboxamide (4l): Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **3l**. 56% yield, Rf: 0.1 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.77 (dt, J = 6.7, 3.3 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (dd, J = 6.2, 3.1 Hz, 2H), 4.05 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 3.56 (t, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 3.37 (s, 1H, NH).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 165.7, 155.9, 155.8, 153.0, 152.0, 131.2, 126.3, 121.0, 113.6, 109.2, 39.2, 26.8.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₅H₁₇ClN₉O – 374.1239, Found – 374.1236 (± 0.75 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 5.874 min, Purity – 99%

3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-(((tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)methyl)amino)pyrazine-2-

carboxamide (4m): Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **3m**. 44% yield, Rf: 0.3 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 4.20 (qd, J = 6.9, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (dt, J = 8.3, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.67 - 3.48 (m, 2H), 2.11 - 1.88 (m, 3H), 1.68 (ddd, J = 11.6, 8.3, 5.9 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 165.7, 156.3, 155.8, 153.0, 121.1, 108.7, 77.2, 67.9, 44.9, 28.7, 25.4.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₁H₁₇ClN₇O₂ – 314.1127, Found – 314.1128 (± 0.42 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 6.746 min, Purity – 95%

3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-((2-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)ethyl)amino)pyrazine-2-

carboxamide (4n): Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **3o**. 88% yield, Rf: 0.15 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR analysis performed at 50 °C to enable sharpening of peaks and resolve overlapping peaks. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD, 50 °C) δ 3.94 (t, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 3.88 - 3.53 (m, 8H), 3.48 (t, J = 5.3 Hz, 2H), 3.00 (s, 3H).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 165.8, 156.1, 155.8, 153.4, 121.5, 109.4, 55.9, 50.2, 49.3, 42.4, 35.8.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₃H₂₃ClN₉O – 356.1709, Found – 356.1706 (± 0.66 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 4.995 min, Purity – 98%

Methyl 3-amino-5-((2-((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)amino)ethyl)amino)-6-chloropyrazine-2-carboxylate (5):

Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and *tert*-butyl (2-aminoethyl)carbamate. 80% yield, Rf: 0.35 (1:1 Hexanes: EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.4-6.3 (bs, 1H, NH), 5.05-4.92 (bs, 1H, NH), 3.9 (s, 3H), 3.59-3.47 (m, 2H), 3.46-3.35 (m, 2H), 1.46 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.8, 157.2, 155.7, 152.1, 121.9, 110.5, 80.3, 52.3, 43.1, 39.9, 28.6. HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₃H₂₁CIN₅O₄ – 346.1277, Found – 346.1279 (± 0.8 ppm).

Methyl 3-amino-5-((2-aminoethyl)amino)-6-chloropyrazine-2-carboxylate (6): To a solution of Boc protected derivative **5** in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) was added trifluoroacetic acid (TFA, 1 mL), and resulting yellow solution was stirred at room temperature for 20 h or until thin layer chromatography indicated complete consumption of starting material. The volatiles were removed under reduced pressure and the resulting yellow-brown oil was triturated thrice with Et₂O to yield a yellow amorphous solid, which was thoroughly dried under high vacuum before being used in further reactions.; 91% yield.; Rf <0.1 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH).; Analytical sample prepared by recrystallization from hot ethanol. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 3.7 (s, 3H), 3.65-3.55 (m, 2H), 3.04-3.03 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 166.5, 156.1, 152.3, 120.7, 109.5, 51.9, 39.4 (partially overlapping with DMSO-d₆ peak), 38.9.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₈H₁₃CIN₅O₂ – 246.0751, Found – 246.0751 (± 0.4 ppm).

Methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-((2-(dibenzylamino)ethyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (7): To a solution of amine **6** (0.050 g, 0.2 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (2 mL) was added DIEA (0.177 mL, 1.2 mmol, 6 equiv) and resulting yellow solution was stirred for 10 min at room temperature. Benzyl bromide (0.050 mL, 0.42 mmol, 2.05 equiv) was then added and the resulting solution was stirred for 48h at room temperature. The reaction mixture was then partitioned between equal volume of EtOAc and water (1:1 - 25 mL: 25 mL) in a separatory funnel. The phases were separated and the organics were washed with water (3 X 25 mL) and brine (1 X 25 mL), dried over sodium sulfate and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield a yellow brown oil, which was purified by flash chromatography over silica gel using 5:1 EtOAc: Hexanes as the eluent (Rf = 0.25). To yield dibenzyl product **7** in 54% yield.; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42 - 7.31 (m, 8H), 7.30 - 7.24 (m, 2H), 6.24 (bs, 1H, NH), 3.92 (s, 3H), 3.65 (s, 4H), 3.44 (q, J = 5.3 Hz, 2H), 2.72 (t, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.9, 155.9, 151.7, 139.1, 129.1, 128.8, 127.5, 121.9, 110.2, 58.7, 52.2, 51.3, 38.6.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₂₂H₂₅CIN₅O₂ [M+H] – 426.1691, Found – 426.1682 (± 2.2 ppm).

Methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-((2-((4-methylphenyl)sulfonamido)ethyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (8): To a solution of amine **6** (0.050 g, 0.2 mmol) in THF (2 mL) was added DIEA (0.177 mL, 1.2 mmol, 6 equiv) and the resulting yellow solution was stirred for 10 min at room temperature. A solution of tosyl chloride (0.0465 g, 0.25 mmol, 1.2 equiv) in THF 1 mL was added and the resulting solution was stirred for 24h at rt. The reaction mixture was then partitioned between equal volume of EtOAc and water (1:1 50 mL: 50 mL) in a separatory funnel. The phases were separated and the organics were washed with water (3 X 25 mL) and brine (1 X 25 mL), dried over sodium sulfate and concentrated under reduced pressure to yield a clear oil, which was purified by flash chromatography over silica gel using 3:2 EtOAc: Hexanes as the eluent. ($R_f = 0.32$). To yield dibenzyl product **8** in 90% yield. 1H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 7.70 - 7.47 (m, 2H) partially overlaps with NH peak, 7.30 (q, $J = 12.1, 11.0$ Hz, 2H) partially overlaps with NH peak, 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.48 - 3.26 (m, 2H), 2.98 (t, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H).; ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 166.6, 156.1, 151.8, 143.2, 137.9, 130.2, 127.2, 120.5, 109.3, 51.9, 41.5, 41.0 (peaks partially overlapping with DMSO- d_6 peak), 21.6.; Calculated for $C_{15}H_{19}ClN_5O_4S$ [M+H] – 400.0841, Found – 400.0840 (± 0.55 ppm).

3-amino-5-((2-aminoethyl)amino)-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (9): Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **6**. $R_f = 0.1$ (DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH – 85: 13: 2). 21% yield.; 1H NMR (500 MHz, D₂O) δ 3.76 (dd, $J = 6.7, 4.8$ Hz, 2H), 3.73 (bs, 1H, NH), 3.33 (bs, 1H, NH), 3.26 (t, $J = 5.9$ Hz, 2H).; ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, D₂O) [Chemical shifts referenced to assumed guanidine carbon at 165.5] δ 165.5, 155.4, 154.9, 153.1, 121.6, 109.3, 39.4, 38.5.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $C_8H_{14}ClN_8O$ [M+H] – 273.094, Found – 273.0974 (± 0.3 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 4.751 min, Purity – 98%

3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-((2-(dibenzylamino)ethyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (10): Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **7**. $R_f = 0.3$ (DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH – 85: 13: 2). 51% yield.; 1H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.57 (dd, $J = 6.9, 2.4$ Hz, 4H), 7.45 - 7.35 (m, 6H), 4.43 (s, 4H), 3.71 (t, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.37 (s, 2H).; ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 165.8, 155.8, 155.7, 152.5, 131.6, 130.0, 129.3, 129.2, 121.2, 109.4, 58.6, 50.0, 36.6.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $C_{22}H_{26}ClN_8O$ [M+H] – 453.1913, Found – 453.1914 (± 0.5 ppm).; HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 8.491 min, Purity – 99%

3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-((2-((4-methylphenyl)sulfonamido)ethyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (11): Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **8**. $R_f = 0.3$ (DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH – 85: 13: 2). 83% yield.; 1H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.69 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz,

2H), 3.54 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 3.17 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CD_3OD) δ 165.7, 156.2, 152.9, 143.4, 137.5, 129.6, 129.3, 126.7, 121.2, 108.7, 41.2, 40.9, 20.4.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{20}\text{ClN}_8\text{O}_3\text{S}$ [M+H] – 427.1062, Found – 427.1058 (\pm 1.1 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 7.498 min, Purity – 99%.

Methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-(prop-2-yn-1-ylamino)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (12): Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and propargyl amine. 85% yield, Rf: 0.3 (5:1 - Hexanes: EtOAc); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 5.78 - 5.59 (bs, 1H, NH), 4.21 (ddd, J = 5.4, 2.7, 1.7 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 2.27 (t, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H). ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.7, 155.5, 150.9, 121.4, 111.5, 79.3, 72.3, 52.4, 31.2.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{10}\text{ClN}_4\text{O}_2$ [M+H] – 241.0487, Found – 241.0489 (\pm 1.0 ppm)

Methyl 3-amino-5-(((1-benzyl-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)methyl)amino)-6-chloropyrazine-2-carboxylate (13): Adapted from a literature procedure.⁵ To a solution of benzyl bromide (0.068 mL, 0.58 mmol, 1 equiv) in water + acetone (1:1, 5 mL) was added sodium azide (0.038 g, 0.58 mmol, 1 equiv). The resulting clear solution was stirred at room temperature for 18h. After 18h the reaction mixture was partitioned between ethyl acetate and water (1:1, 25 mL: 25 mL) in a separatory funnel and the phases were separated. The organic phase was washed with sat. NaHCO_3 solution (1 X 20 mL) and brine (1 X 20 mL). The organic phase was collected, dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and concentrated to 20% of the final volume (~ 7 mL final volume left) on a rotary evaporator and was used in the next reaction as is. (**Caution:** Due to potentially explosive nature of resultant benzyl azide,⁶ this mixture is not concentrated to dryness) To this ethyl acetate solution, was added alkyne **12** (0.140 g, 0.58 mmol, 1 equiv) as a solution in isopropanol (2 mL), sodium ascorbate (0.052 g, 0.26 mmol, 0.45 equiv), copper sulfate (0.022 g, 0.09 mmol, 0.15 equiv), dichloromethane (1 mL) and water (2 mL). The resulting solution turns bluish green and is stirred for 18h at room temperature. The reaction mixture was then partitioned between water and ethyl acetate (1:1 – 25 mL: 25 mL) and the phases were separated. The organics were washed with water (1 X 25 mL), sat NaHCO_3 (1 X 25 mL), and brine (1 X 25 mL). The aqueous layers were combined and back extracted with EtOAc (1 X 25 mL). The organic phases are then combined and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting residue was purified by flash chromatography over silica gel. Rf – 0.2 (95:5 – DCM: MeOH). 75% yield.; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.50 - 7.22 (m, 6H), 6.14 (bs, 1H, NH), 5.54 (s, 2H), 4.73 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.91 (s, 3H).; ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.7, 155.6, 151.3, 134.6, 129.4, 129.1, 128.3, 121.7, 111.0, 54.7, 52.3, 36.9. Peak

overlap observed in aromatic region burying the triazole carbon peaks; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₆H₁₇CIN₇O₂ [M+H] – 374.1127, Found – 374.1124 (\pm 0.74 ppm)

3-amino-5-(((1-benzyl-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)methyl)amino)-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (14): Synthesized by General Procedure B from starting material **13**. R_f = 0.3 (DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH – 85: 13: 2). 68% yield.; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 8.00 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.51 - 7.14 (m, 5H), 5.56 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 2H), 4.70 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 165.8, 156.2, 155.8, 152.7, 144.3, 134.9, 128.9, 128.6, 128.1, 124.6, 121.1, 109.2, 54.5, 35.7. HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₆H₁₈CIN₁₀O [M+H] – 401.1348, Found – 401.1347 (\pm 0.4 ppm).; HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 7.364 min, Purity – 93%

Methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-(dimethylamino)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (15)^{1, 7}: Synthesized by General Procedure A, using 5,6 dichloropyrazine methyl ester **2** and dimethyl amine. 80% yield, R_f: 0.3 (4:1 - Hexanes: EtOAc); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.85 (s, 4H), 3.15 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.6, 154.6, 154.0, 121.9, 112.2, 52.3, 41.2.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₈H₁₂CIN₄O₂ [M+H] - 231.0649, Found – 231.0653 (\pm 0.5 ppm).

Methyl 3-amino-5-(dimethylamino)-6-(phenylethynyl)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (16): Synthesized by General Procedure C using starting material **15** and phenyl acetylene. 83% yield, R_f = 0.3 (3:2 – Hexanes: EtOAc); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.56 - 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.35 - 7.16 (m, 3H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.30 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.5, 156.7, 153.6, 131.1, 128.3, 123.1, 114.6, 113.7, 91.7, 88.6, 52.1, 40.2. Peak overlap observed in the aromatic region.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₆H₁₇N₄O₂ [M+H] – 297.1352, Found – 297.1351 (\pm 0.2 ppm).

3-amino-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-(dimethylamino)-6-(phenylethynyl)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (17): Synthesized by General Procedure B using starting material **16**. 57% yield, R_f = 0.1 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH).; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.62 - 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.43 (tt, J = 3.0, 1.7 Hz, 3H), 3.46 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 165.7, 157.1, 155.7, 154.2, 130.9, 128.9, 128.6, 122.7, 114.0, 111.9, 91.8, 87.9, 39.8. HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₆H₁₈N₇O [M+H] – 324.1567, Found – 324.1566 (\pm 0.37 ppm).; HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 8.560 min, Purity – 97%

3,5-diamino-N-(diaminomethylene)-6-(phenylethynyl)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (19)^{4, 8}: Synthesized by General Procedure C using commercial amiloride hydrochloride **18** and phenyl acetylene. 61% yield, R_f < 0.1 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH).; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.75 - 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.50 - 7.37 (m, 3H); ¹³C

NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 165.9, 158.2, 156.2, 155.8, 131.6, 129.0, 128.5, 122.3, 114.5, 111.9, 92.9, 83.5.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₄H₁₄N₇O [M+H] – 296.1254, Found – 296.1255 (± 0.35 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 7.454 min, Purity – 95%

3,5-diamino-N-(diaminomethylene)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (20)^{1, 4}: To a suspension of 10% palladium on carbon (0.048 g, 0.038 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in methanol under a nitrogen atmosphere was added a solution of amiloride hydrochloride **18** (0.100 g, 0.38 mmol, 1 equiv). A hydrogen filled balloon was attached to the reaction flask and the solution was stirred for 48h at room temperature and monitored by HPLC analysis. When the HPLC analysis showed that the starting material peak at 5.743 min was significantly diminished, the reaction was worked up by filtering off the catalyst on a bed of Celite. The solvent was then removed under reduced pressure and the resulting white residue was re-crystallized from a mixture of ethanol+ water (1:1) and dried under high vacuum to yield **20** as a white solid. 88% yield.; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, D₂O) δ 7.33 (s, 1H), 3.71 (bs, 0.5H, NH), 3.31 (bs, 0.5H, NH).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, D₂O) [Chemical shifts referenced to assumed guanidine carbon at 165.5] δ 165.5, 154.5, 153.8, 152.2, 123.2, 110.4.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₆H₁₀N₇O[M+H] – 196.0941, Found – 196.0943 (± 0.8 ppm).; HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 3.921 min, Purity – 91%.

Methyl 3-amino-5-(dimethylamino)-6-phenylpyrazine-2-carboxylate (21a): Synthesized by General Procedure D using starting material **15** and benzeneboronic acid. 51% yield.; Rf = 0.25 (4:1 Hexanes: EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.58 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 2.83 (s, 6H).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.7, 156.1, 153.9, 140.4, 132.5, 128.7, 128.0, 127.6, 113.2, 52.2, 41.0. HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₄H₁₇N₄O₂ [M+H] – 273.1346, Found - 273.1347 (± 0.55 ppm).

Methyl 6-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-3-amino-5-(dimethylamino)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (21b): Synthesized by General Procedure D using starting material **15** and [1,1'-biphenyl]-4-ylboronic acid. 92% yield.; Rf = 0.3 (3:1 Hexanes: EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.73 - 7.52 (m, 6H), 7.47 - 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.37 - 7.29 (m, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 2.86 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.4, 155.8, 153.6, 140.8, 140.1, 139.1, 131.8, 128.8, 128.1, 127.3, 127.2, 127.0, 113.1, 52.0, 40.8. Peak overlap observed in aromatic region of the spectrum.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₂₀H₂₁N₄O₂ [M+H] – 349.1659, Found – 349.1660 (± 1.0 ppm).

Methyl 3-amino-6-(4-cyanophenyl)-5-(dimethylamino)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (21c): Synthesized by General Procedure D using starting material **15** and (4-cyanophenyl)boronic acid. 86% yield.; Rf = 0.2 (3:2

Hexanes: EtOAc); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.73 - 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.68 - 7.64 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 2.82 (s, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.4, 156.1, 154.1, 144.9, 132.7, 129.6, 128.5, 119.3, 114.3, 110.8, 52.5, 41.3. HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}_5\text{O}_2$ [M+H] – 298.1299, Found – 298.1298 (\pm 0.52 ppm).

Methyl 3-amino-5-(dimethylamino)-6-(naphthalen-2-yl)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (21d): Synthesized by General Procedure D using starting material **15** and naphthalen-2-ylboronic acid. 88% yield.; Rf = 0.3 (4:1 Hexanes: EtOAc); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.05 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.90-7.75 (m, 3H), 7.72 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.53 - 7.35 (m, 2H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 2.84 (s, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.7, 156.3, 153.9, 137.9, 133.8, 133.0, 132.3, 128.4, 128.4, 127.9, 126.8, 126.4, 126.2, 126.1, 113.4, 52.3, 41.0.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_4\text{O}_2$ [M+H] – 323.1503, Found – 323.1501 (\pm 0.45 ppm).

Methyl 3-amino-5-(dimethylamino)-6-(*p*-tolyl)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (21e): Synthesized by General Procedure D using starting material **15** and *p*-tolylboronic acid. 94% yield.; Rf = 0.35 (4:1 Hexanes: EtOAc); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.51 - 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.23 - 7.10 (m, 2H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 2.84 (s, 6H), 2.37 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.8, 156.1, 153.8, 137.6, 137.4, 132.8, 129.4, 127.9, 113.1, 52.2, 40.9, 21.5; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{19}\text{N}_4\text{O}_2$ [M+H] – 287.1503, Found – 287.1505 (\pm 0.78 ppm).

Methyl 3-amino-5-(dimethylamino)-6-(4-fluorophenyl)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (21f): Synthesized by General Procedure D using starting material **15** and (4-fluorophenyl)boronic acid. 63% yield.; Rf = 0.3 (4:1 Hexanes: EtOAc); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.55 (ddq, J = 7.8, 4.5, 1.1 Hz, 2H), 7.11 - 7.02 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 2.81 (s, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.3, 163.4, 160.9, 155.9, 153.6, 136.2, 131.3, 129.45 (d, $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 8.4$ Hz), 115.4 (d, $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 21.6$ Hz), 113.0, 52.0, 40.7. One extra peak in the aromatic region, due to strongly split fluorine substituted carbon in aromatic ring. 1 bond C-F coupling pattern for this peak is indiscernible in this spectrum. ; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{16}\text{FN}_4\text{O}_2$ [M+H] – 291.1252, Found – 291.1253 (\pm 0.78 ppm).

3-amino-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-(dimethylamino)-6-phenylpyrazine-2-carboxamide (22a) ^{4,} ^{9:} Synthesized by General Procedure B using starting material **22a**. 70% yield. Rf = 0.2 (85:13:2 – DCM:MeOH:NH₄OH); ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD) δ 7.62 -7.56 (m, 2H), 7.50 (dd, J = 8.4, 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.45 - 7.40 (m, 1H), 2.95 (s, 6H). ^{13}C NMR (126 MHz, CD_3OD) δ 166.4, 155.7, 155.5, 153.6, 139.5, 132.4, 128.5, 128.0, 110.6, 40.5. Peak overlap in the aromatic region of spectrum. HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_7\text{O}$ [M+H] – 300.1567, Found – 300.1566 (\pm 0.49 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 8.261 min, Purity – 96%

6-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-3-amino-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-(dimethylamino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (22b):

Synthesized by General Procedure B using starting material **22b**. 51% yield. Rf = 0.3 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.79 - 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.71 - 7.65 (m, 4H), 7.48 (dd, J = 8.5, 6.9 Hz, 2H), 7.41 - 7.35 (m, 1H), 2.95 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 167.5, 158.0, 156.7, 155.7, 141.7, 141.5, 139.8, 132.8, 129.8, 129.4, 128.5, 127.9, 127.7, 111.7, 41.1.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₂₀H₂₂N₇O [M+H] – 376.1880, Found – 376.1878 (± 0.68 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 9.358 min, Purity – 97%

3-amino-6-(4-cyanophenyl)-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-(dimethylamino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (22c):

Synthesized by General Procedure B using starting material **22c**. 54% yield. Rf <0.2 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.87 - 7.83 (m, 2H), 7.82 - 7.79 (m, 2H), 2.92 (s, 6H).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 166.4, 163.2, 161.2, 156.6, 155.2, 154.1, 136.1, 130.6, 116.0, 115.8, 111.0, 41.2. HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₅H₁₇N₈O [M+H] – 325.1520, Found – 325.1519 (± 0.37 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 7.818 min, Purity – 99%

3-amino-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-(dimethylamino)-6-(naphthalen-2-yl)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (22d):

Synthesized by General Procedure B using starting material **22d**. 66% yield. Rf = 0.2 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 8.08 - 7.89 (m, 4H), 7.75 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.59 - 7.51 (m, 2H), 2.92 (s, 6H).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 167.6, 158.0, 156.8, 155.6, 138.1, 134.6, 134.2, 133.2, 129.3, 129.2, 128.7, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 126.9, 111.9, 41.3; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₈H₂₀N₇O [M+H] – 350.1724, Found – 350.1729 (± 1.37 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 8.725 min, Purity – 99%

3-amino-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-(dimethylamino)-6-(p-tolyl)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (22e): Synthesized by General Procedure B using starting material **22e**. 31% yield. Rf = 0.3 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.50 - 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.31 (dt, J = 6.8, 1.0 Hz, 2H), 2.93 (s, 6H), 2.42 (s, 3H).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 166.5, 156.3, 155.8, 154.1, 138.0, 136.9, 132.6, 129.1, 127.9, 110.4, 40.2, 20.2.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for C₁₅H₂₀N₇O [M+H] – 314.1724, Found: 314.1724 (± 0.45 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 8.378 min, Purity – 97%

3-amino-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-(dimethylamino)-6-(4-fluorophenyl)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (22f):

Synthesized by General Procedure B using starting material **22f**. 55% yield. Rf <0.2 (85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.75 - 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.22 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 2.91 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 166.4, 163.2, 161.2, 156.6, 155.2, 154.4, 136.1, 130.6 (d, J_{C-F} = 6.6 Hz), 116.0(d, J_{C-F} =

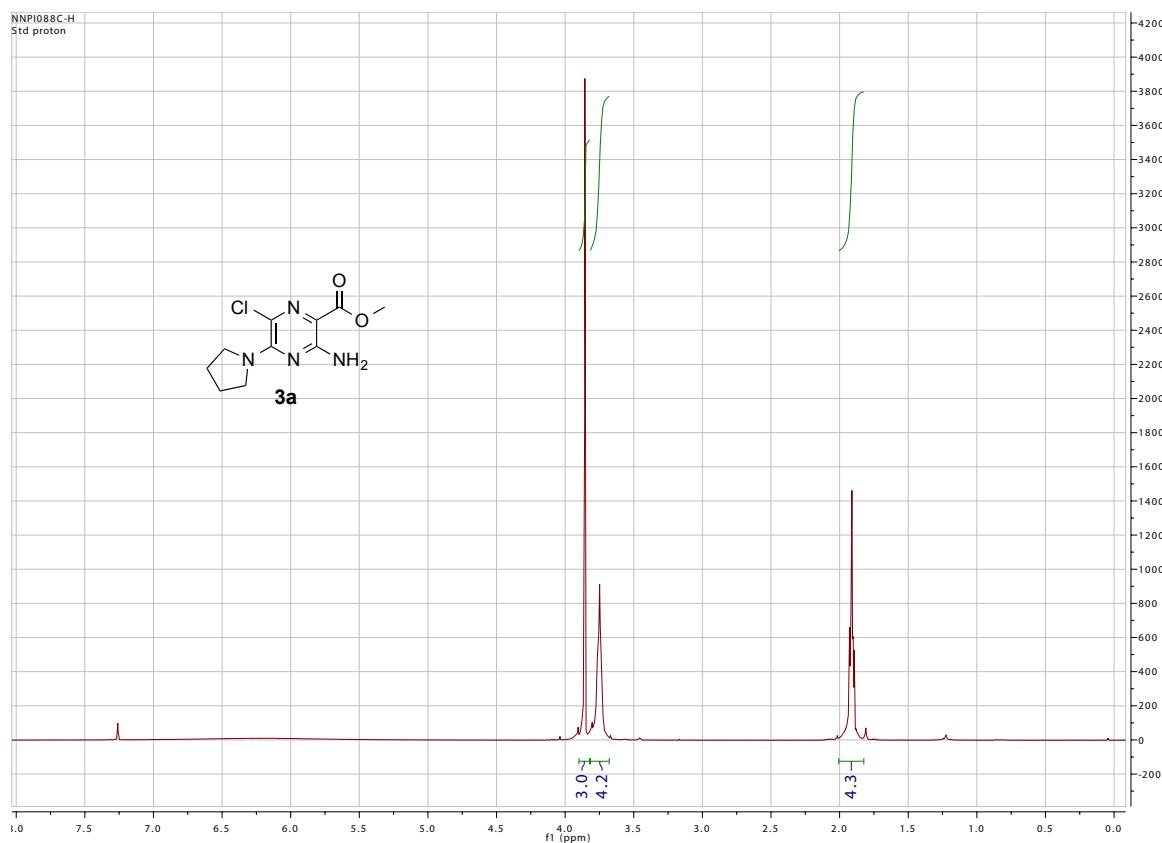
21.2 Hz), 111.0, 41.2. 1 bond C-F coupling pattern is indiscernible in this spectrum.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $C_{14}H_{17}FN_7O$ [M+H] – 318.1473, Found – 318.1473 (\pm 0.37 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 8.127 min, Purity – 99%

Methyl 5-((2-(1*H*-indol-3-yl)ethyl)amino)-3-amino-6-phenylpyrazine-2-carboxylate (23): Synthesized by General Procedure D using starting material **3j** and phenylboronic acid. 89% yield.; R_f = 0.35 (1:1 Hexanes: EtOAc).; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.14 (bs, 1H, NH), 7.61 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.45 - 7.27 (m, 6H), 7.26 - 7.19 (m, 1H), 7.18 - 7.09 (m, 1H), 6.88 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.39 (bs, 1H, NH), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.76 (q, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 3.06 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.0, 156.0, 153.4, 136.7, 132.5, 129.2, 128.7, 128.6, 127.4, 122.5, 122.3, 119.8, 118.9, 113.1, 111.5, 52.2, 41.5, 25.1. Peak overlap observed in aromatic region of the spectrum.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $C_{22}H_{22}N_5O_2$ [M+H] – 388.1768, Found – 388.1768 (\pm 0.575 ppm).

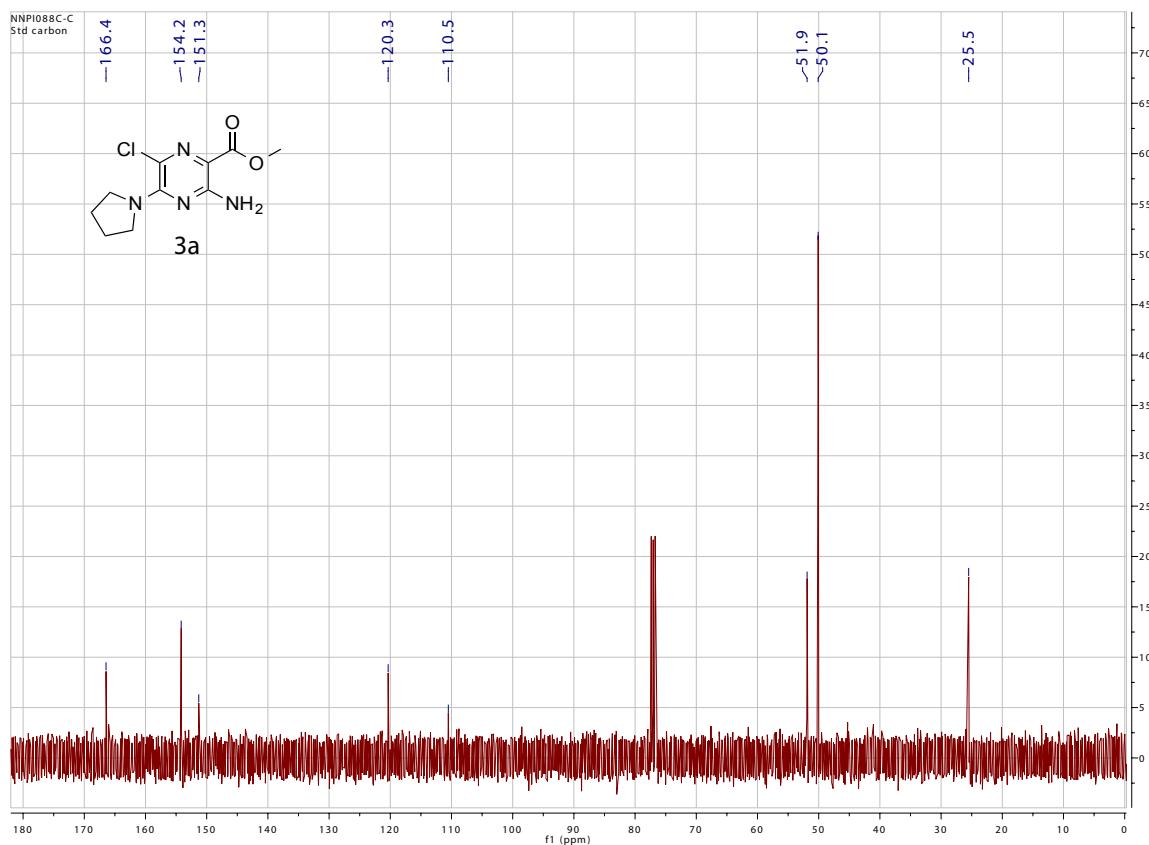
5-((2-(1*H*-indol-3-yl)ethyl)amino)-3-amino-N-(diaminomethylene)-6-phenylpyrazine-2-carboxamide (24): Synthesized by General Procedure B using starting material **23**. 62% yield.; R_f <0.2 ((85:13:2 – DCM: MeOH: NH₄OH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.54 (dt, J = 8.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.43 - 7.29 (m, 6H), 7.12 - 7.08 (m, 2H), 7.01 (ddd, J = 8.0, 7.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 3.11 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H).; ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 166.7, 156.4, 155.3, 154.4, 136.7, 136.1, 132.2, 129.5, 129.3, 127.8, 123.4, 121.7, 119.1, 112.2, 112.1, 109.4, 42.1, 24.7. Peak overlap observed in aromatic region of the spectrum.; HRMS (ESI+): Calculated for $C_{22}H_{23}N_8O$ [M+H] – 415.1989, Found – 415.1939 (\pm 0.45 ppm); HPLC analysis: Ret. time – 8.901 min, Purity – >99%

3. ^1H -NMR and ^{13}C -NMR spectra of compounds 3a - 24

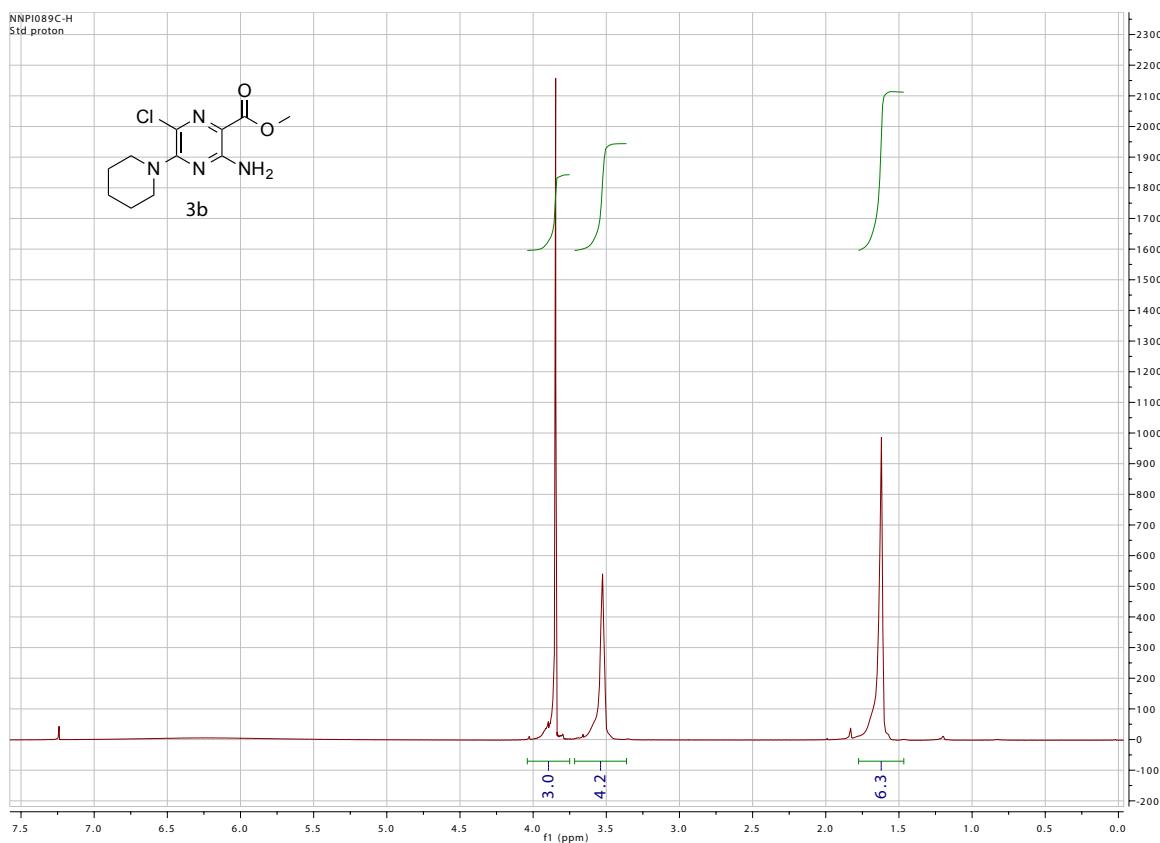
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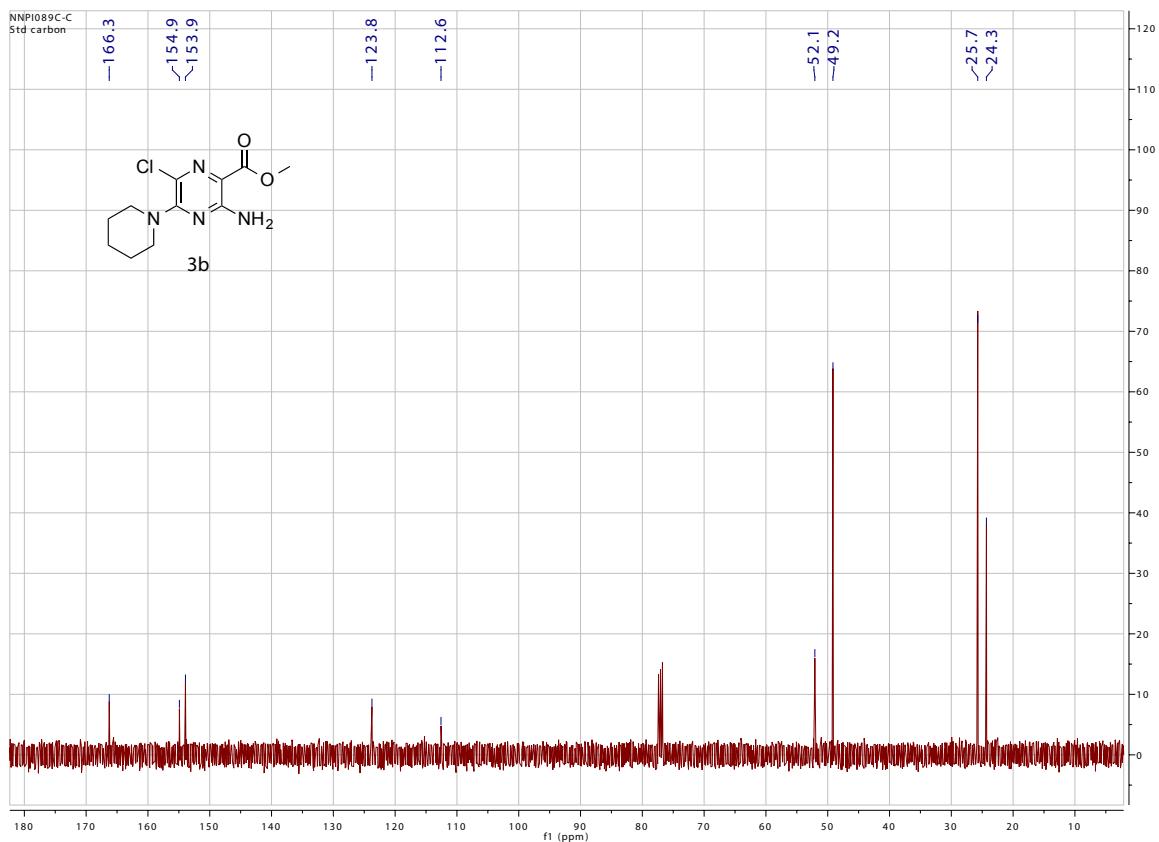
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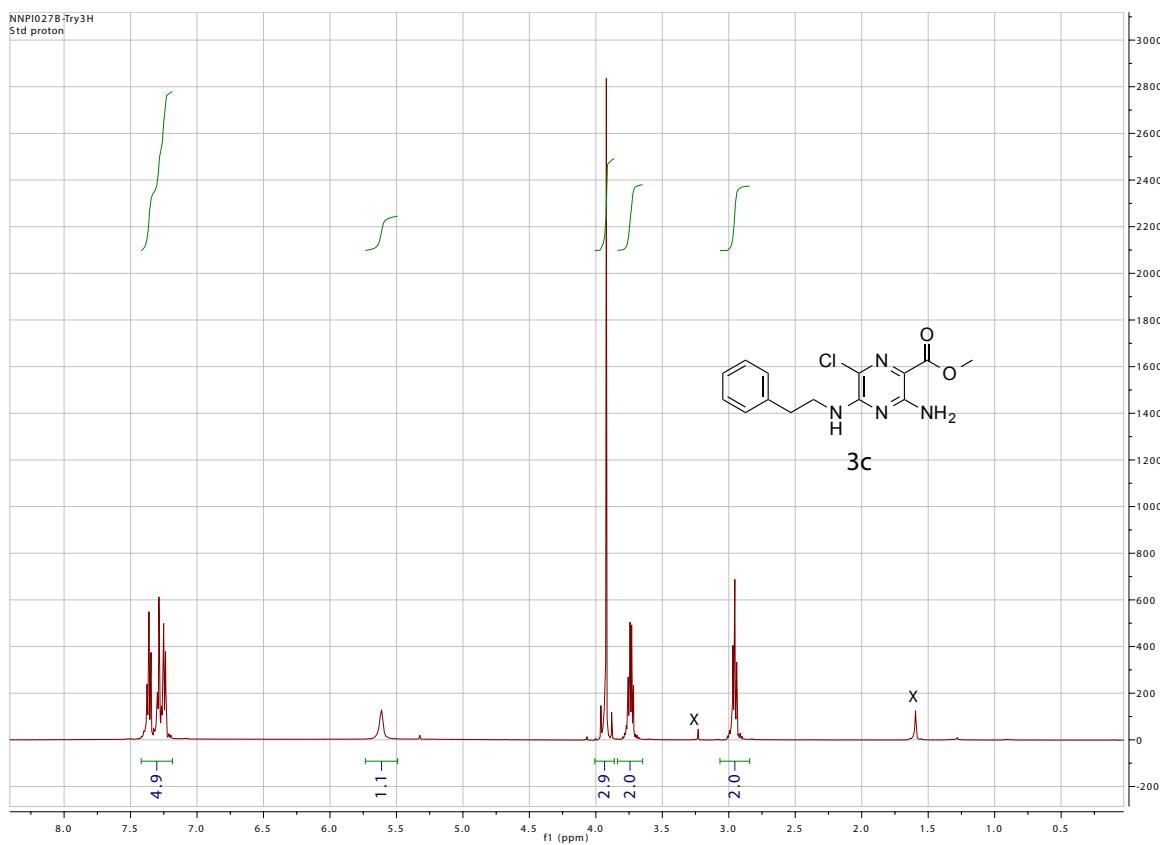
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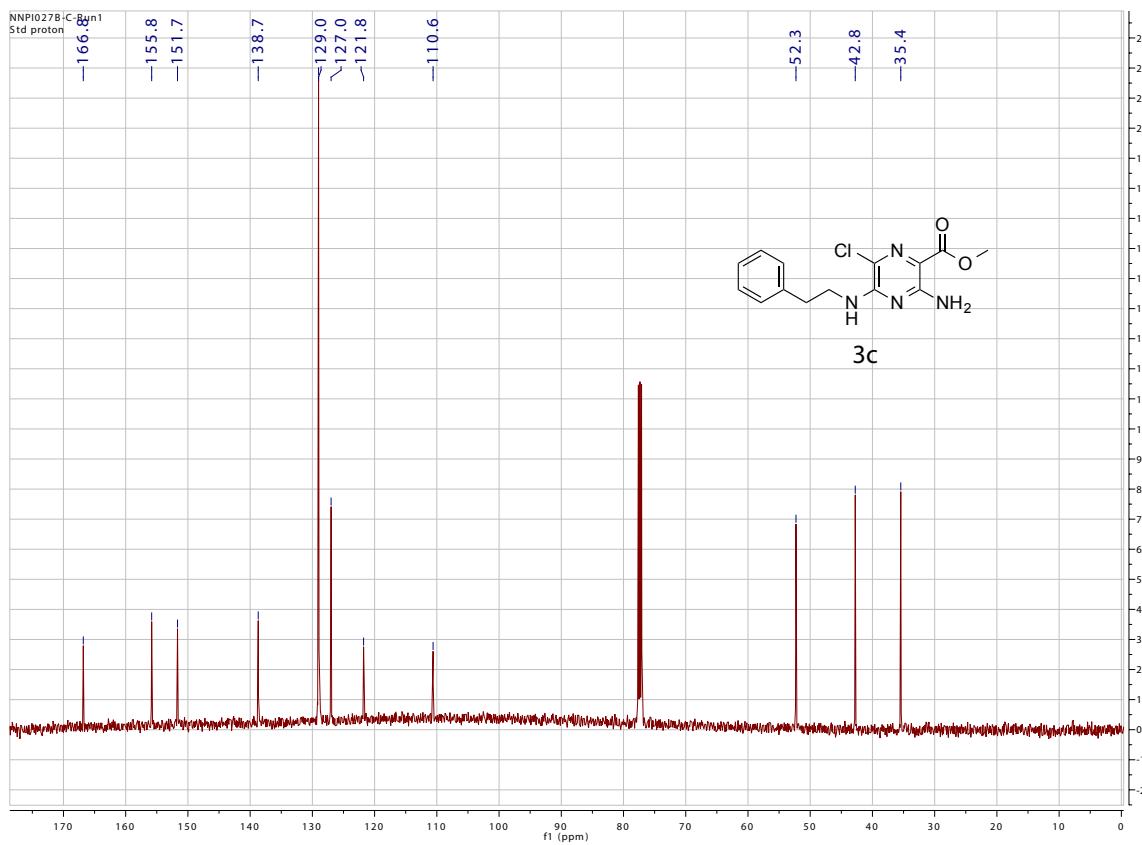
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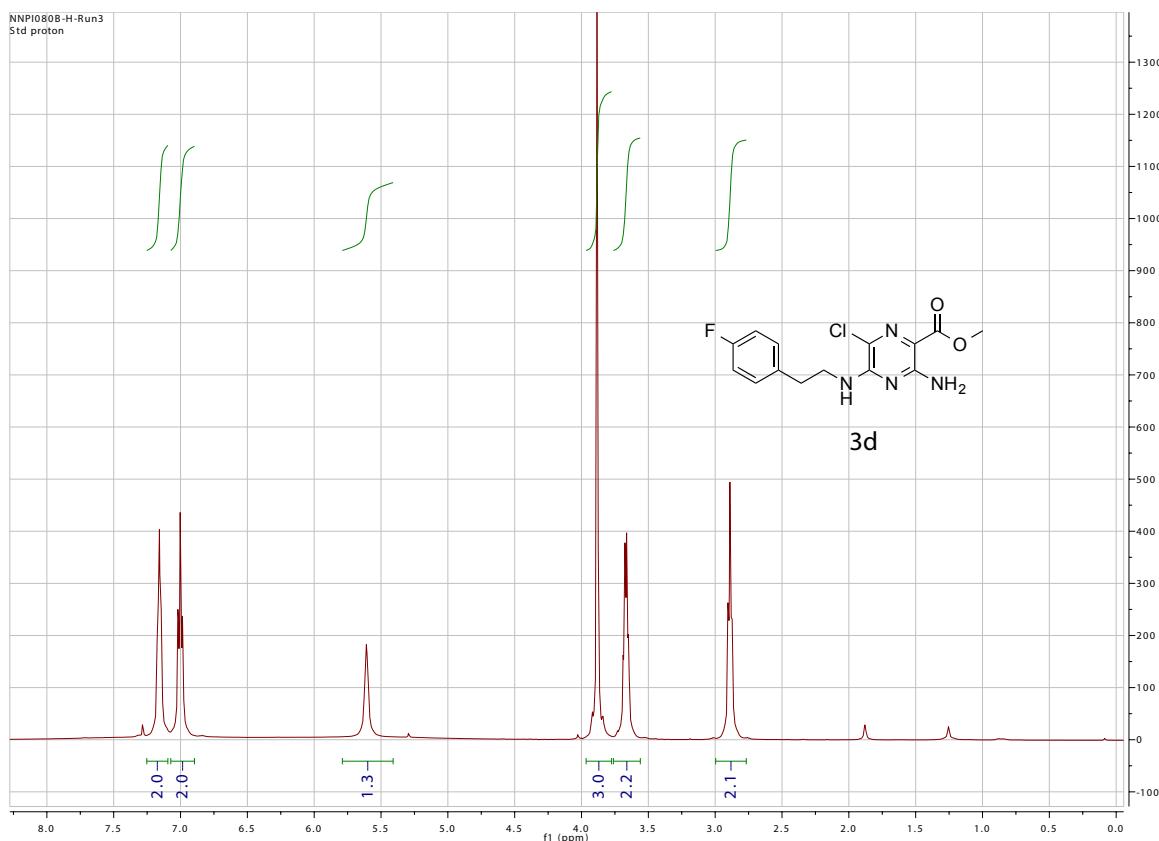
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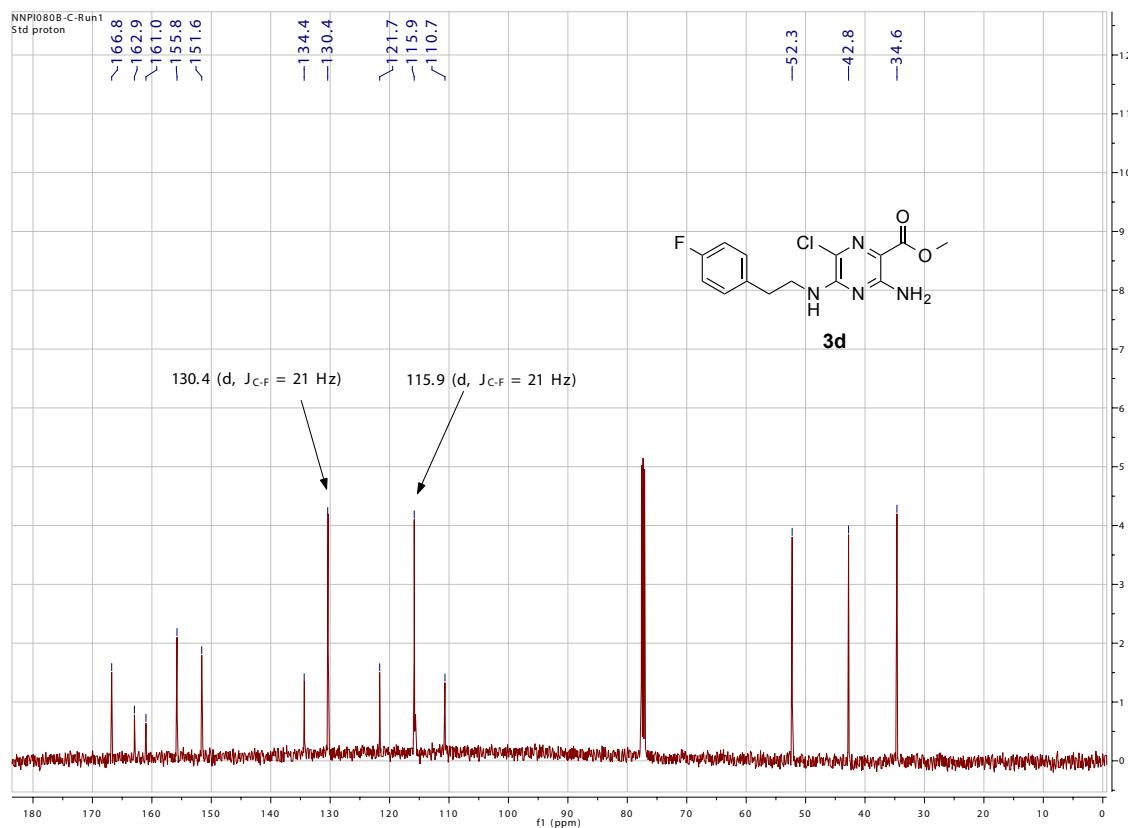
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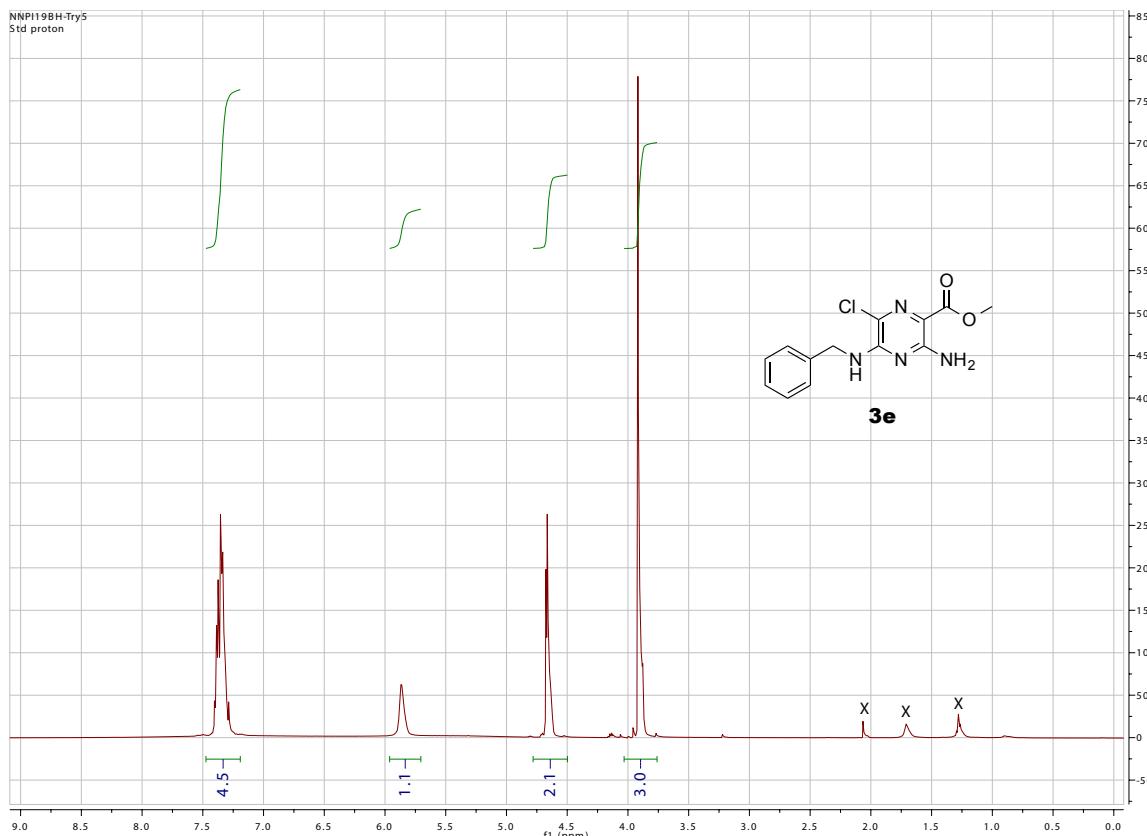
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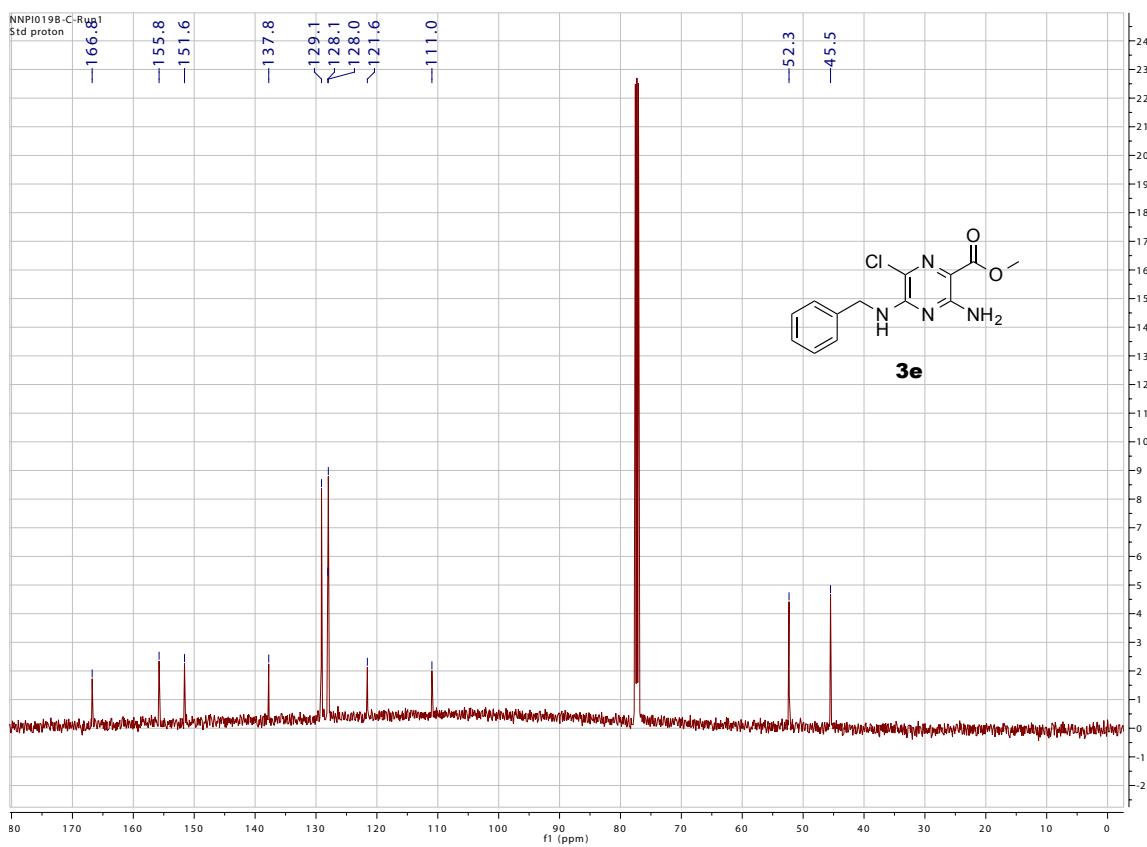
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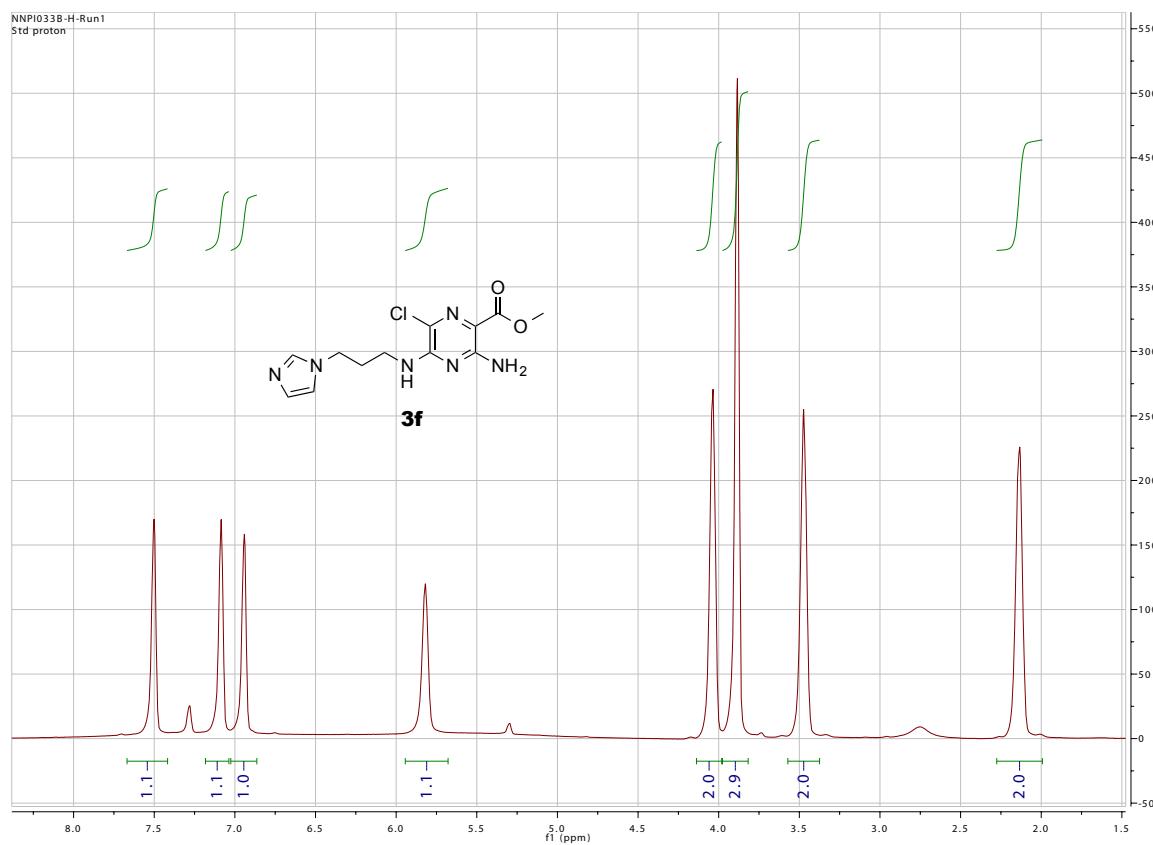
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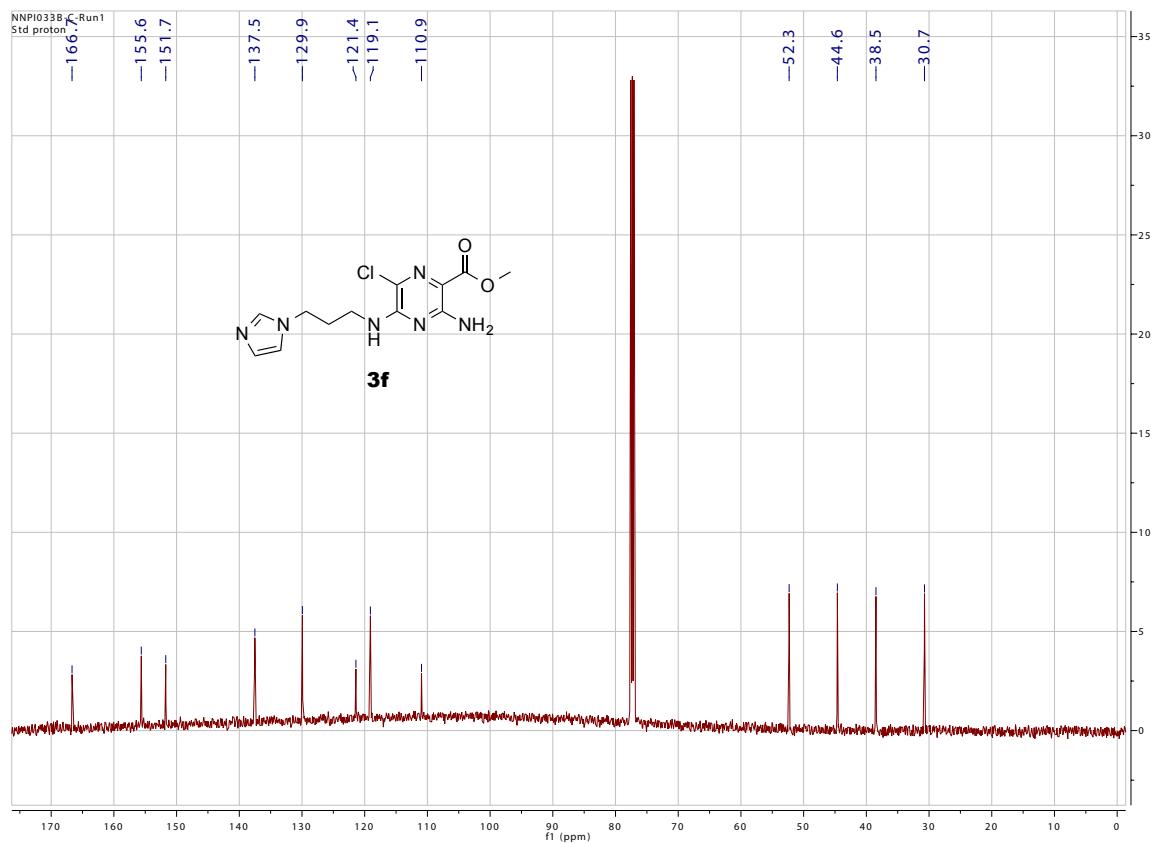
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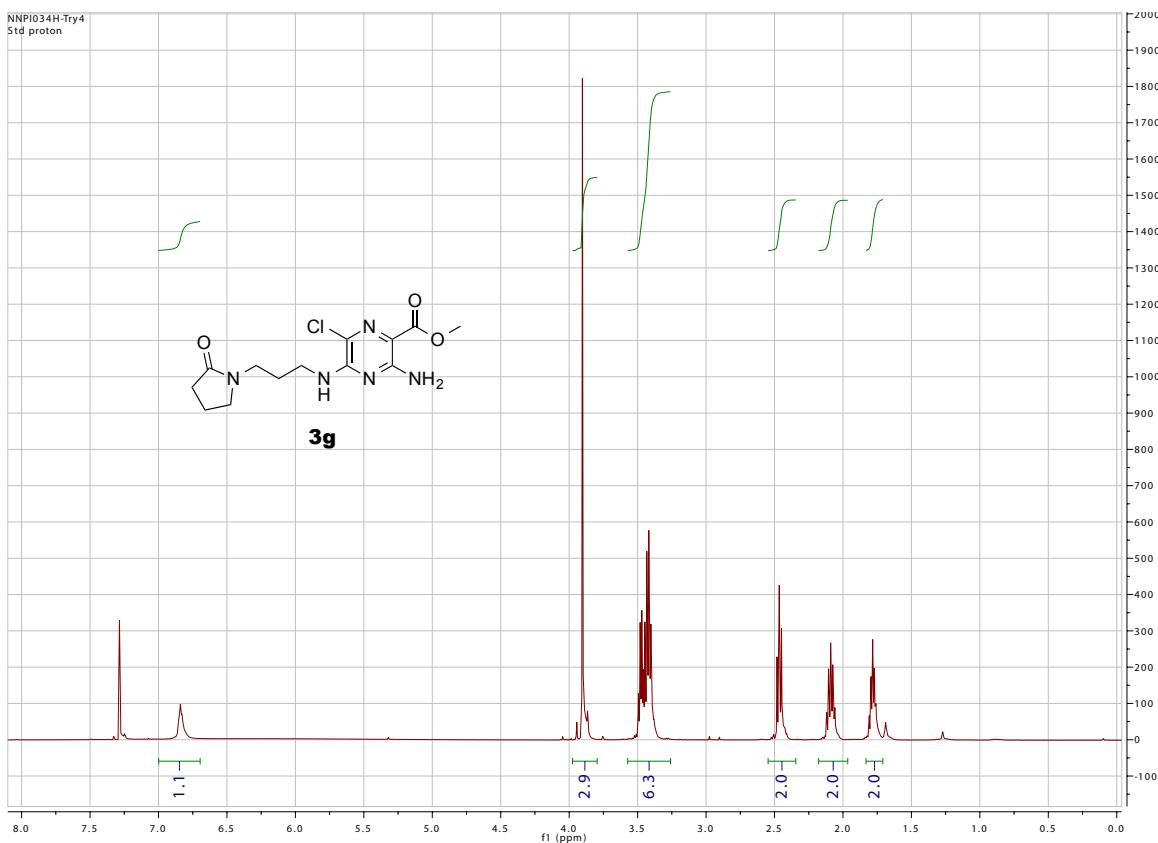
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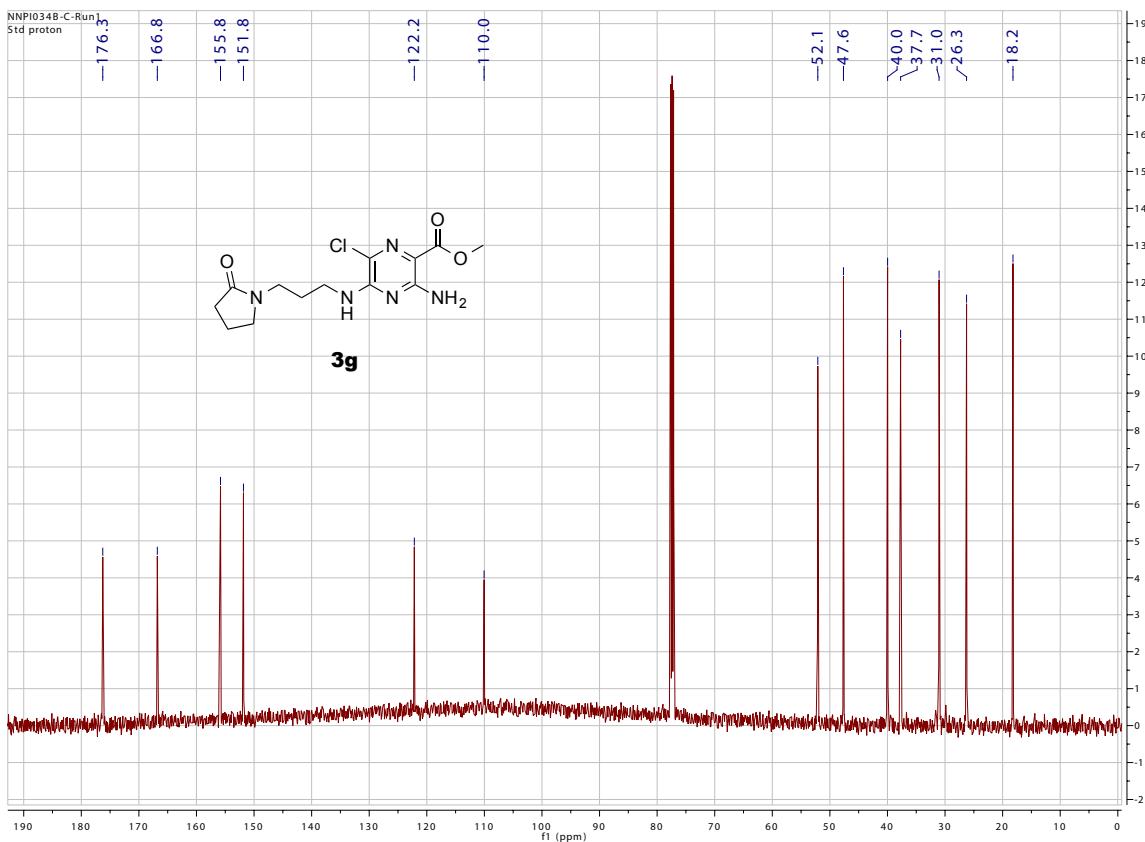
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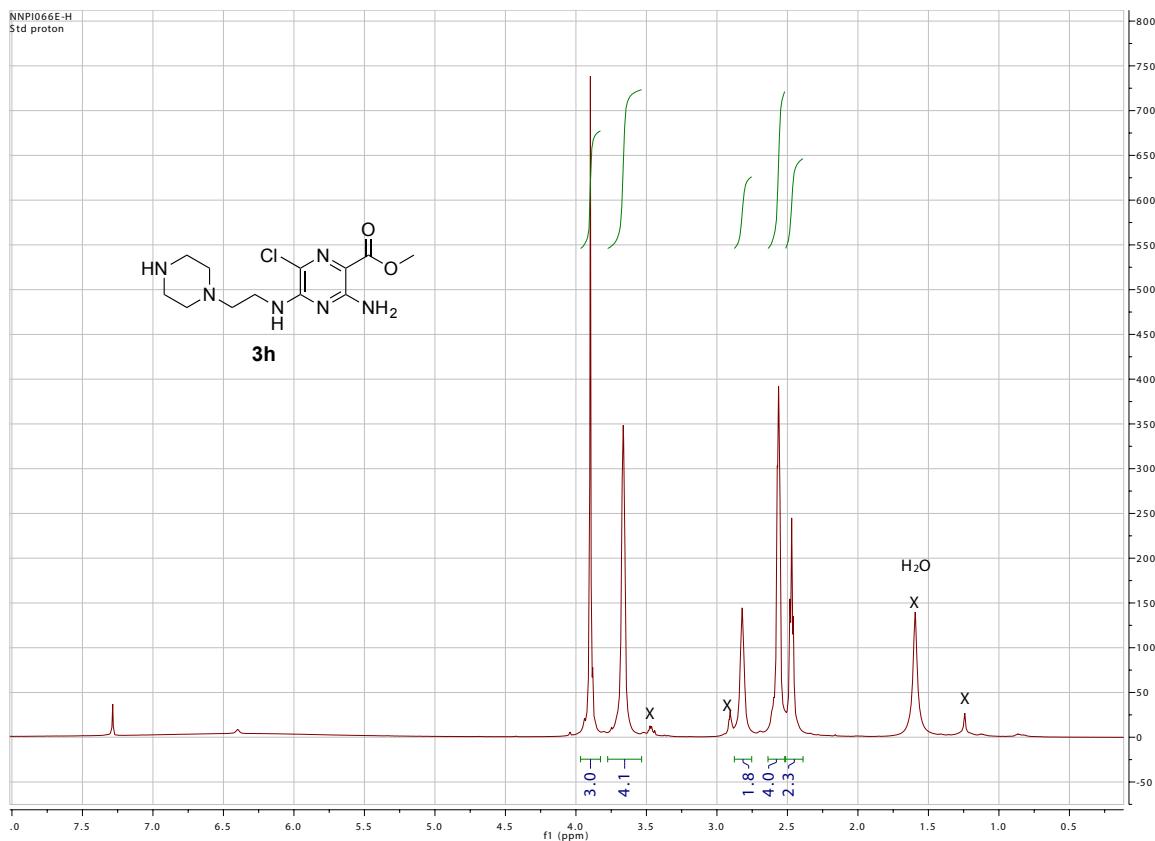
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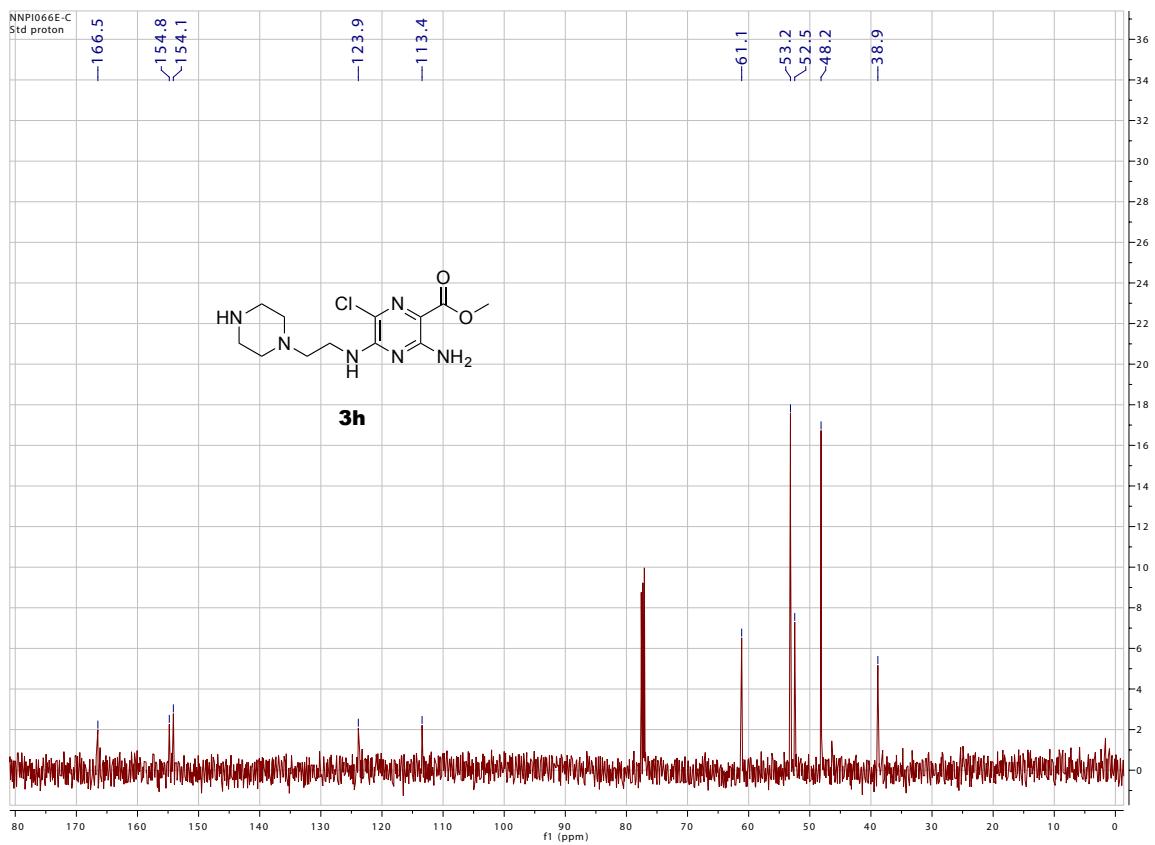
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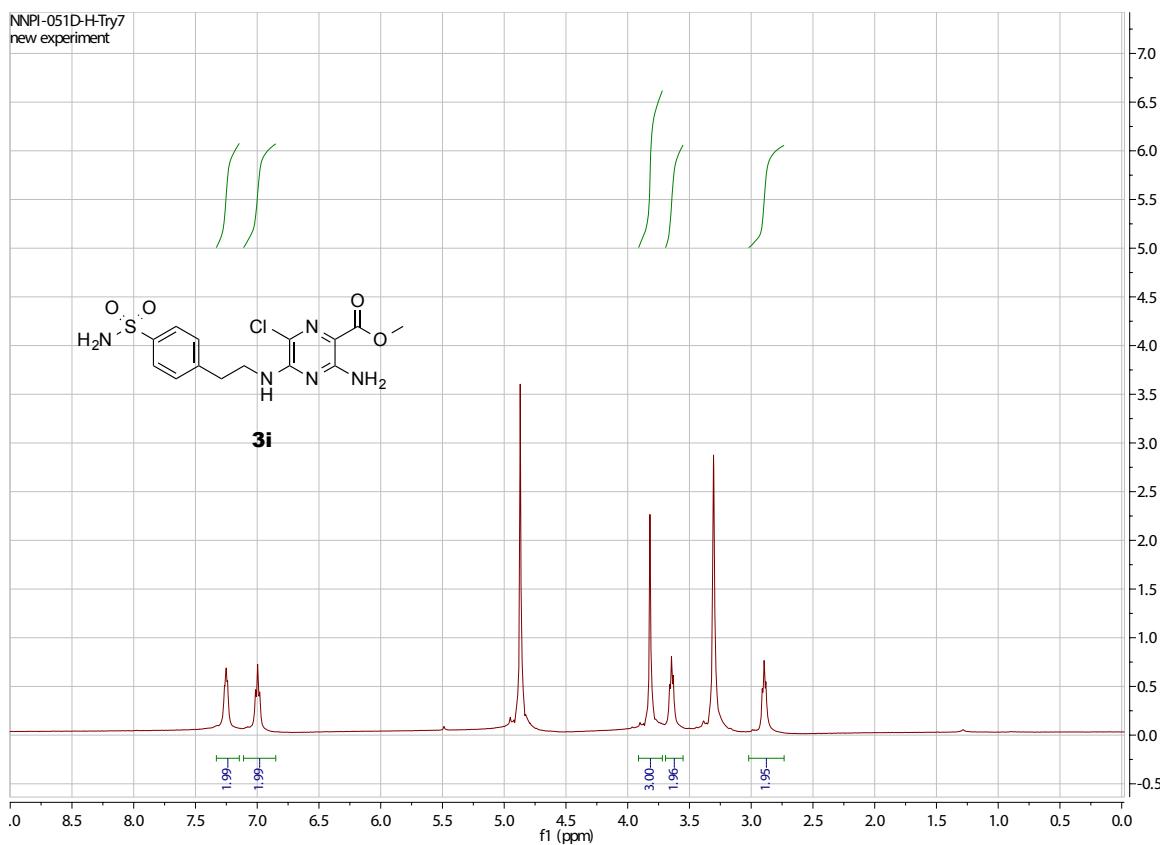
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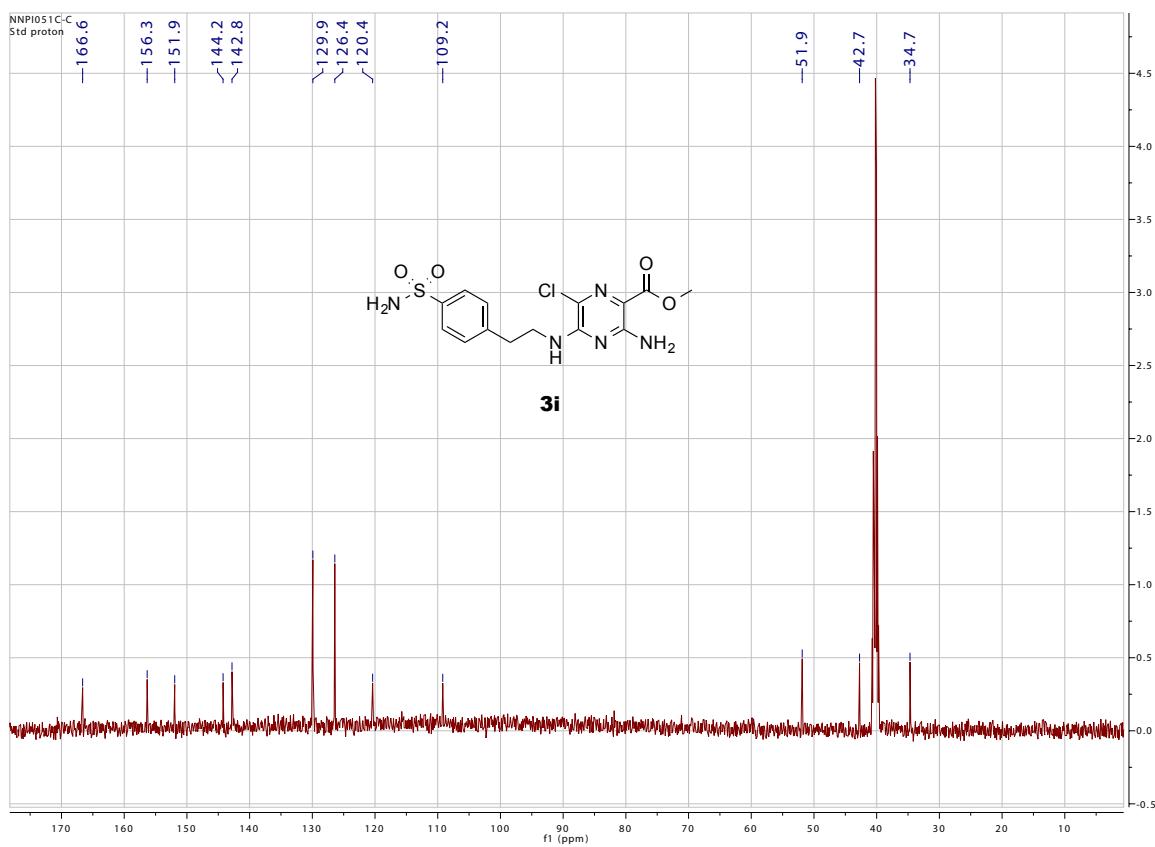
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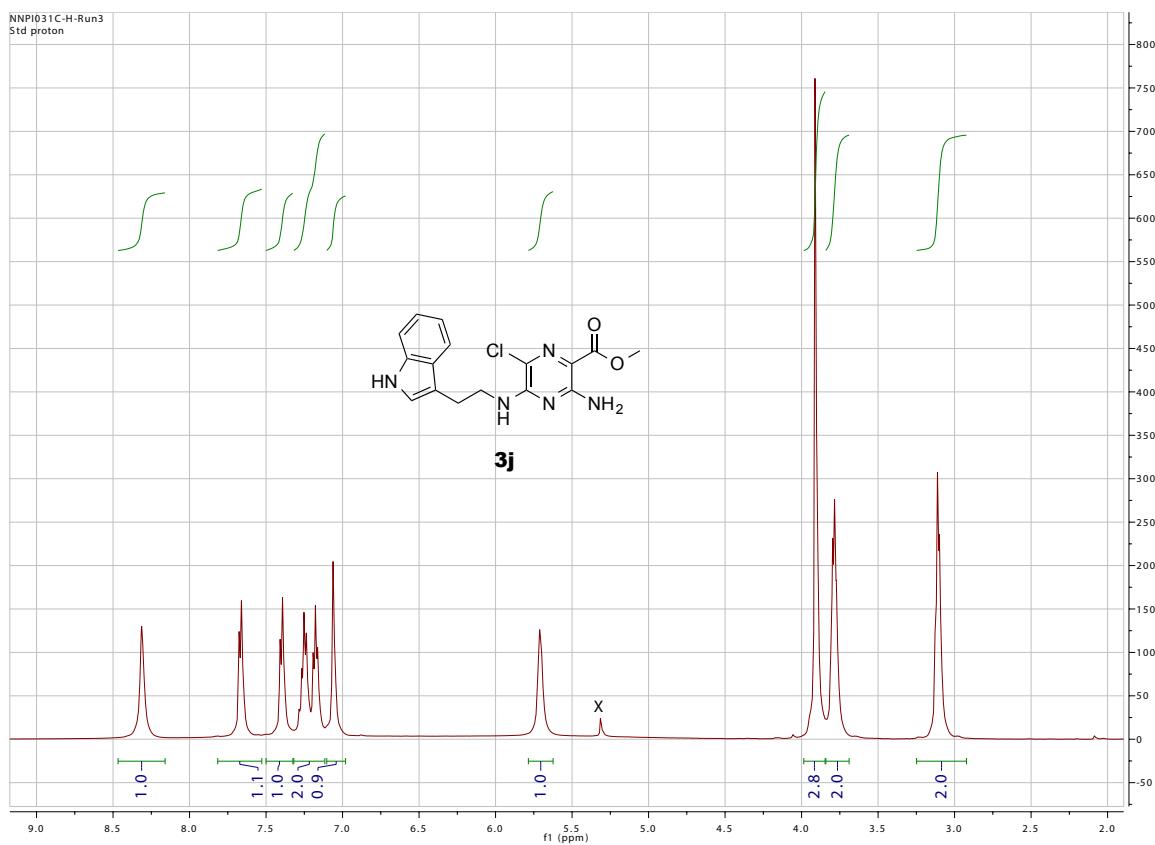
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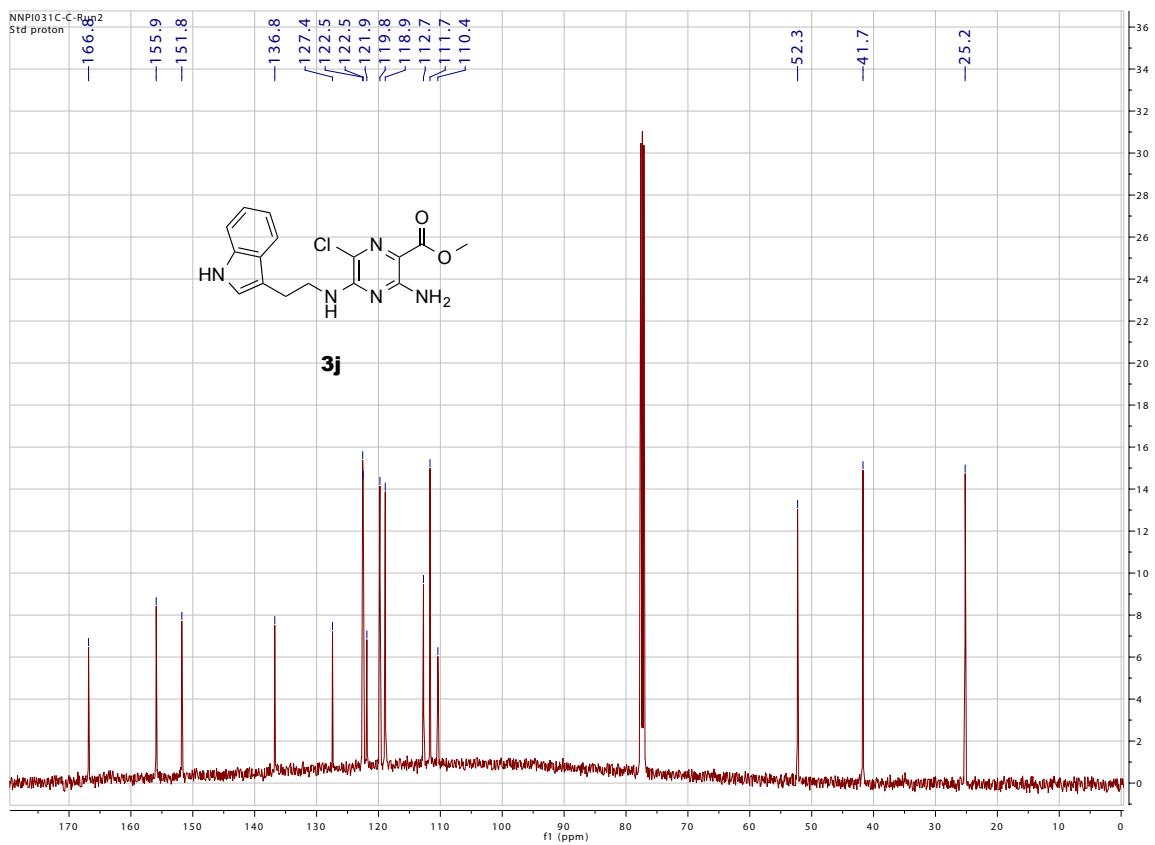
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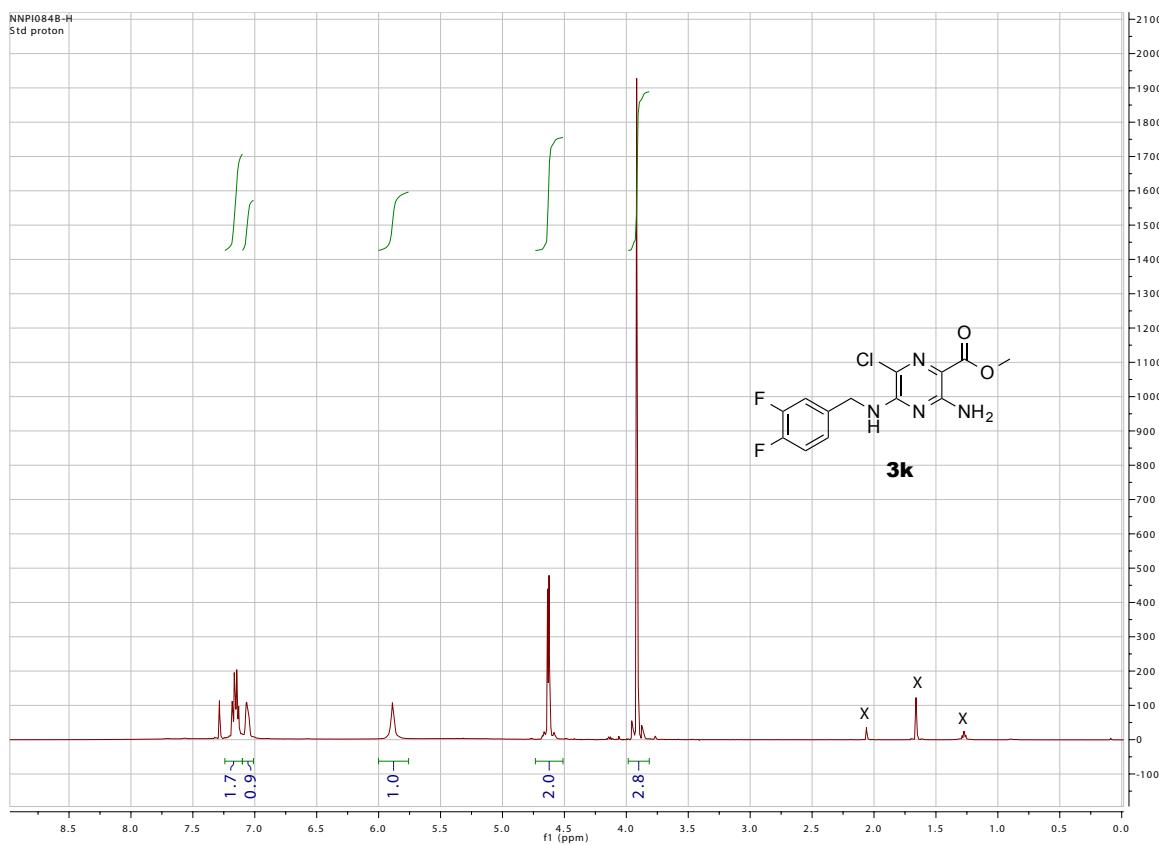
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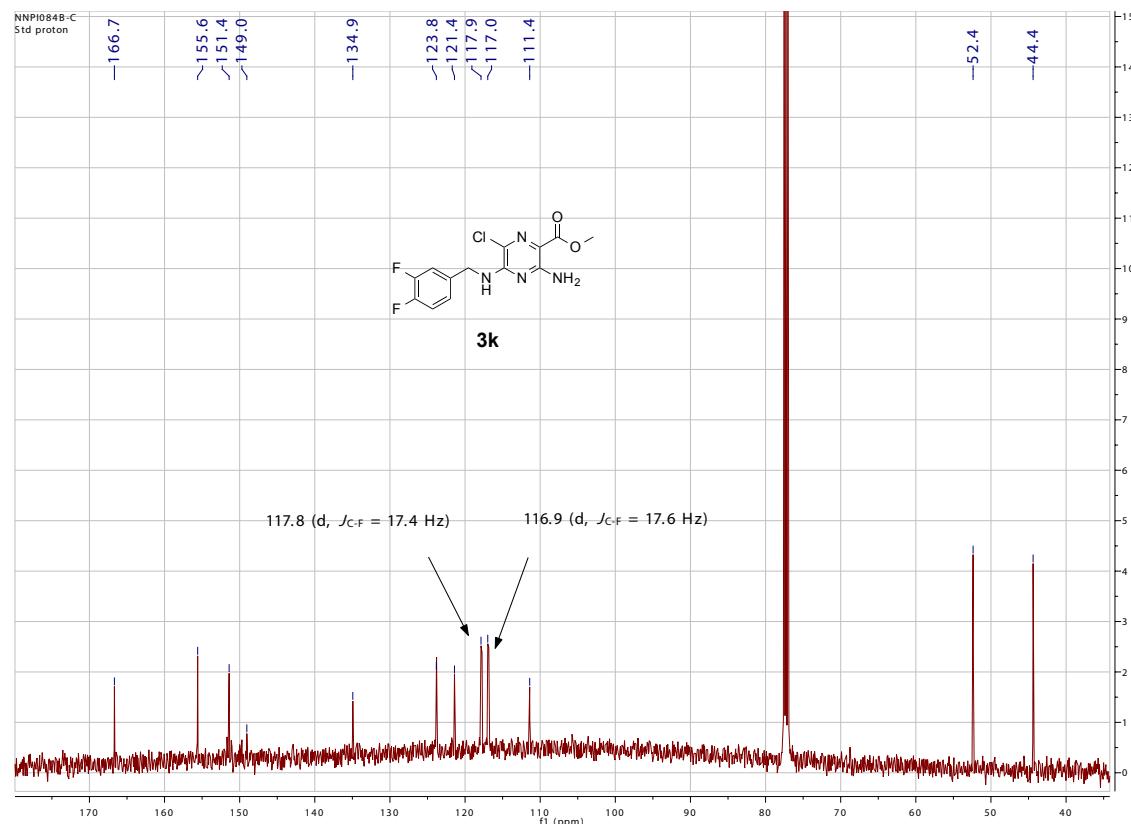
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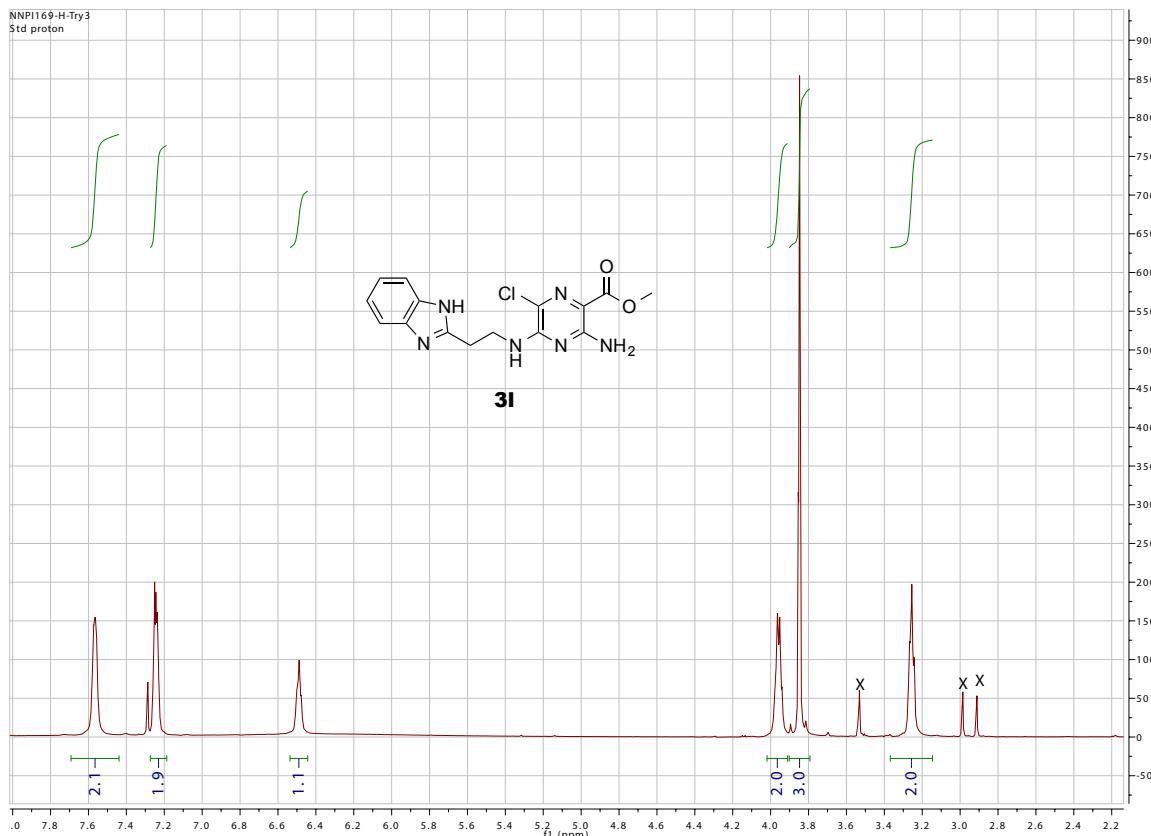
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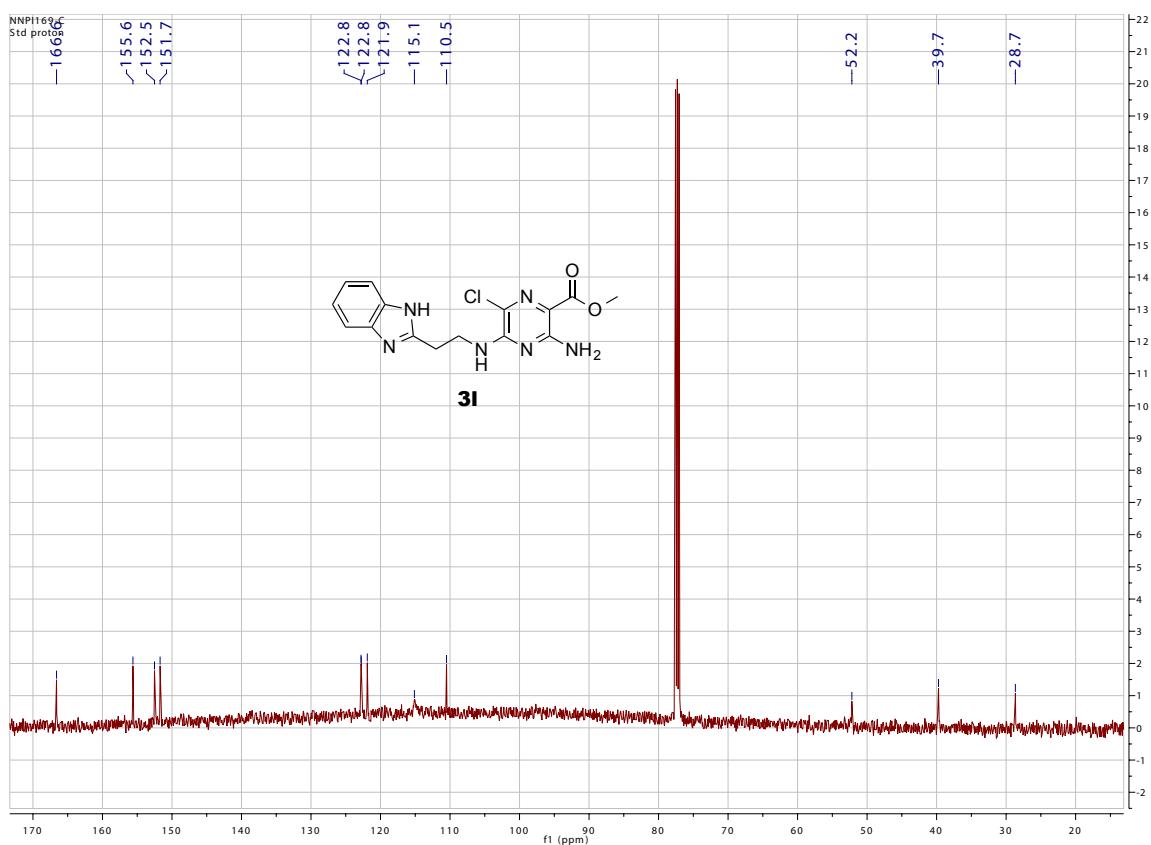
¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) of Methyl 3-amino-6-chloro-5-((3,4-difluorobenzyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxylate (3k): Peak splitting corresponding to C-F coupling seen at 117.9 ppm ($J = 17.4$ Hz) and 117.0 ppm ($J = 17.6$ Hz). Peak overlap seen in aromatic region, which leads to one less peak than expected. The 1 bond C-F coupling patterns are indiscernible in this spectrum.



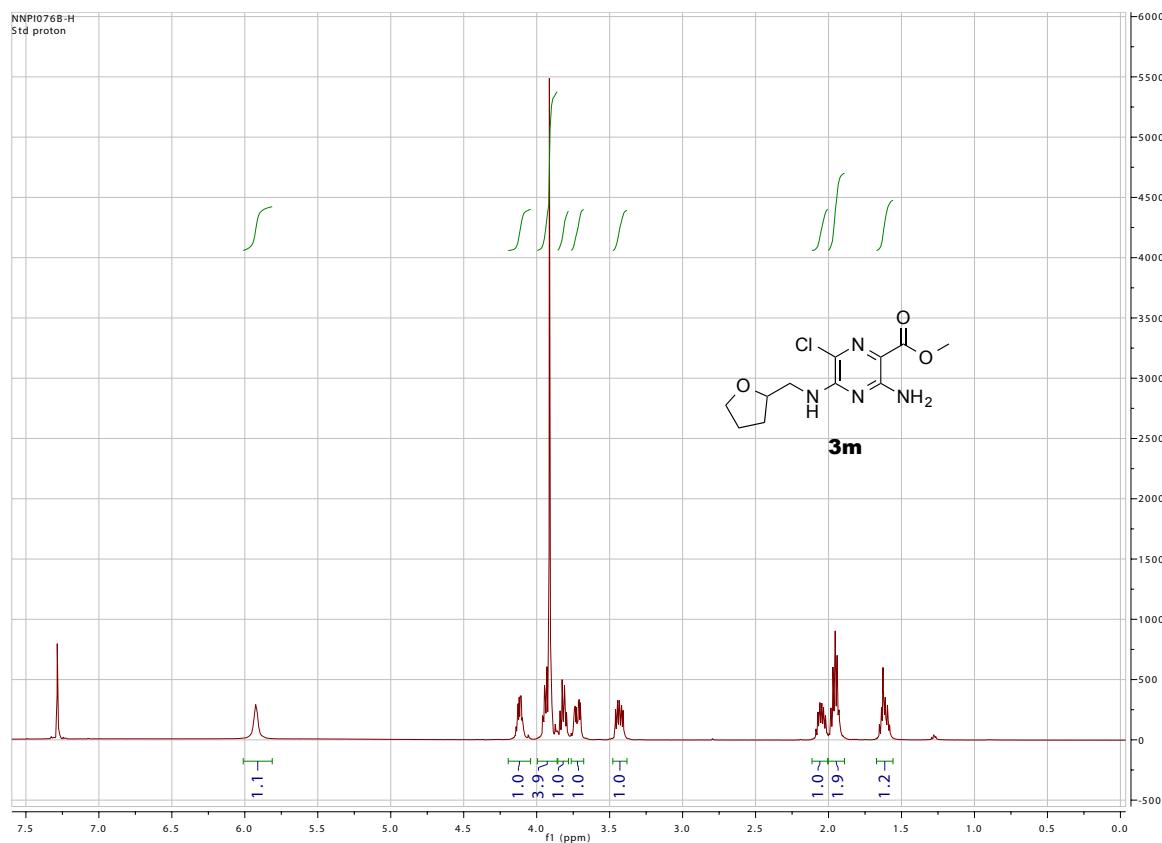
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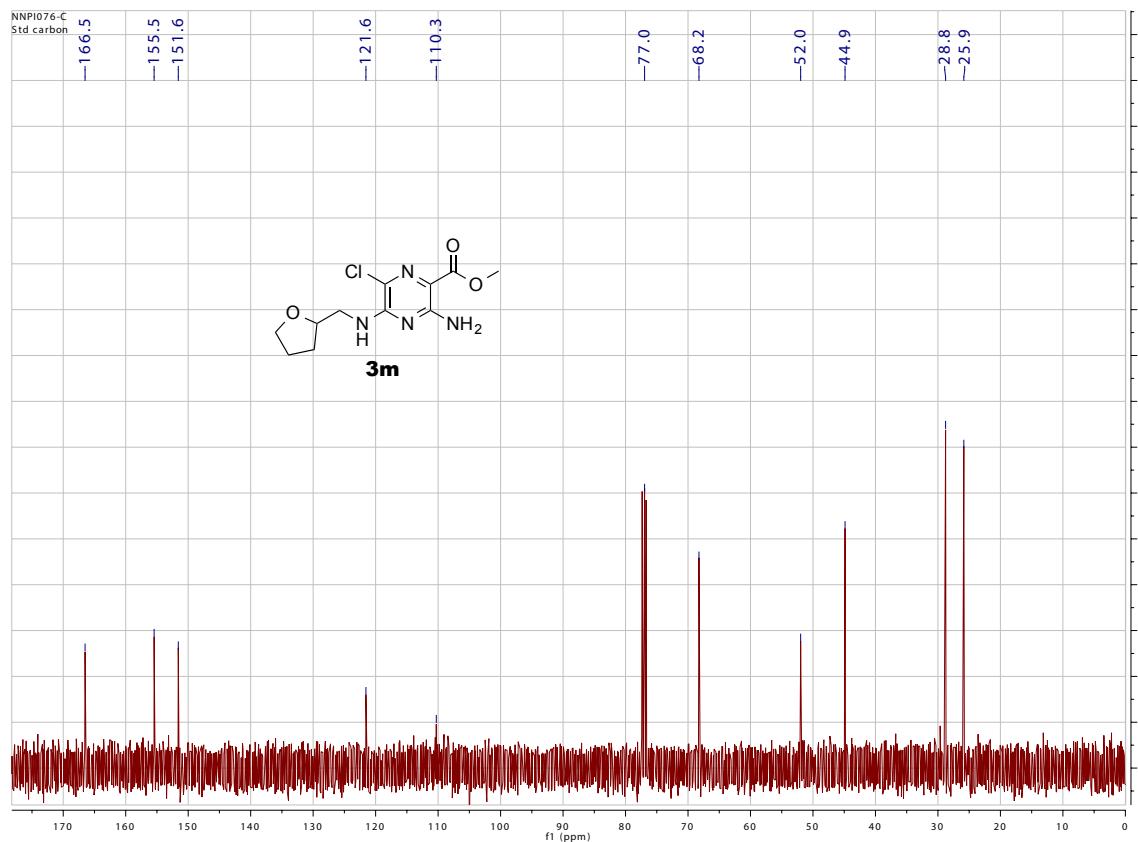
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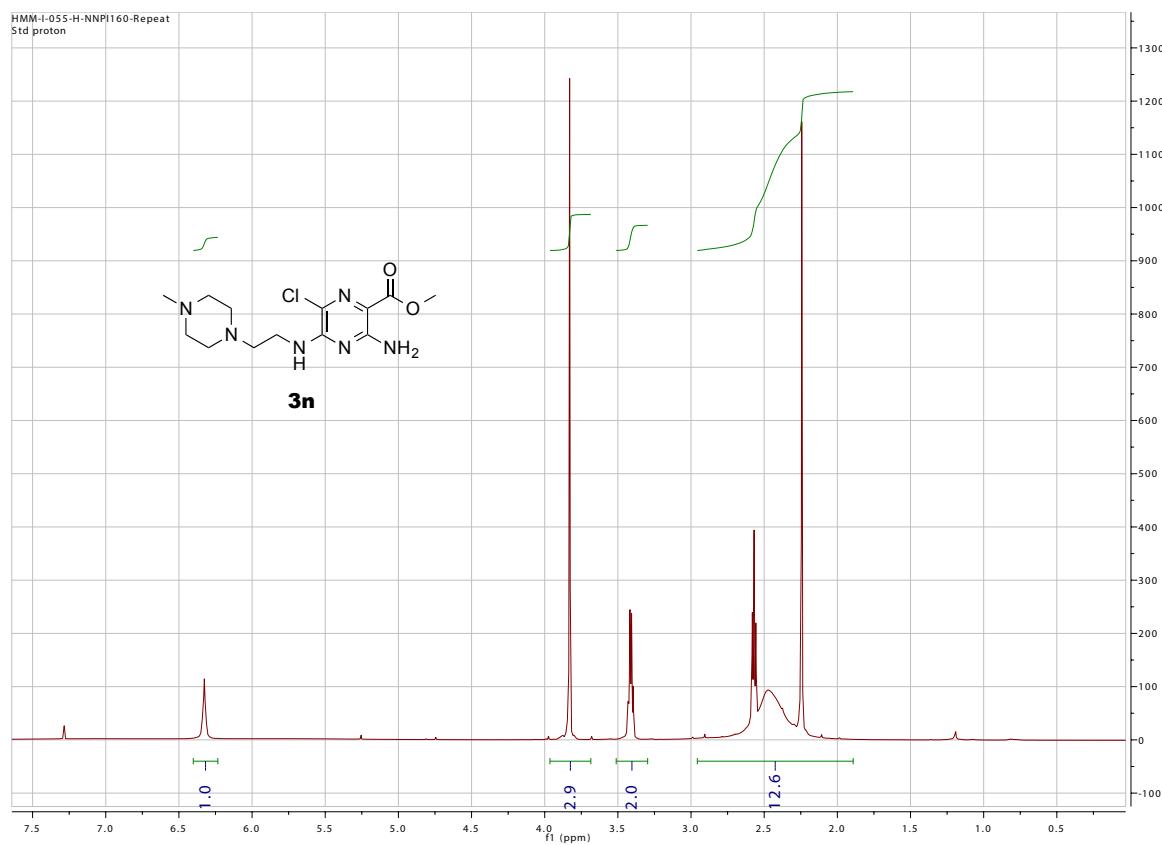
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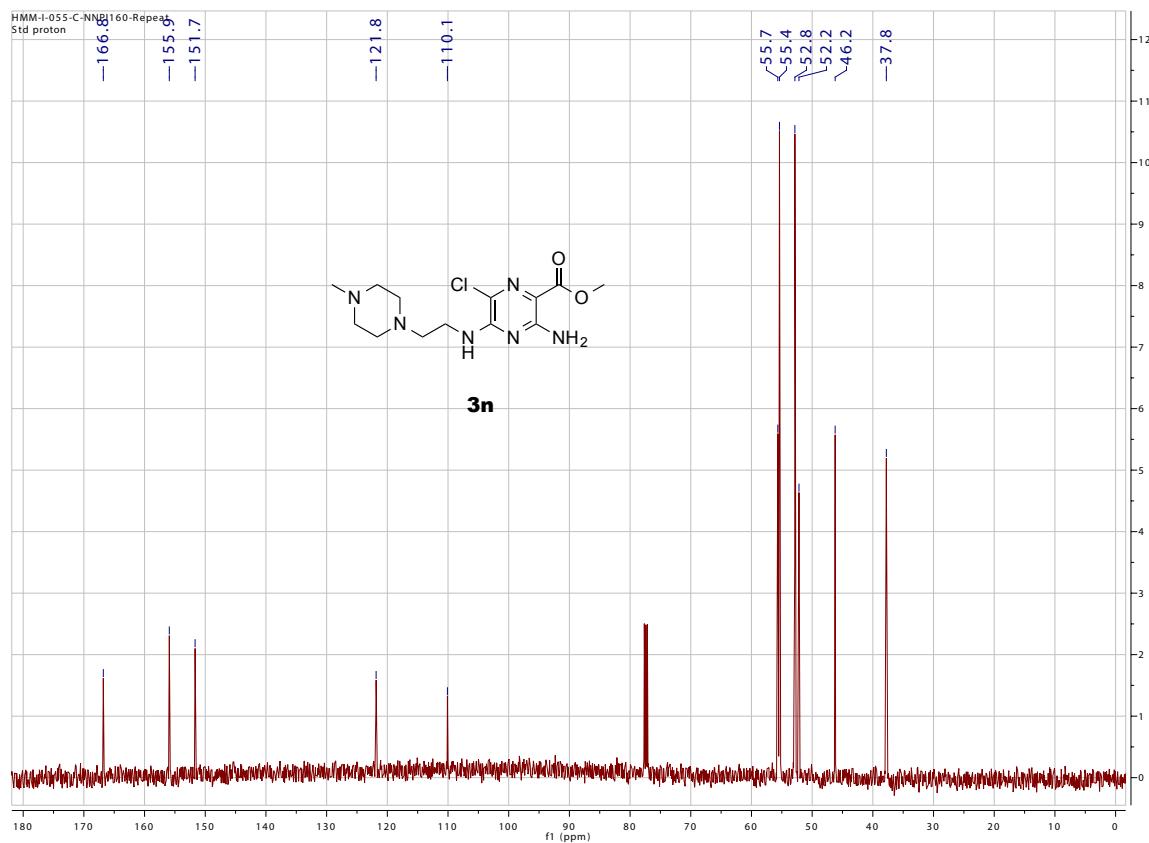
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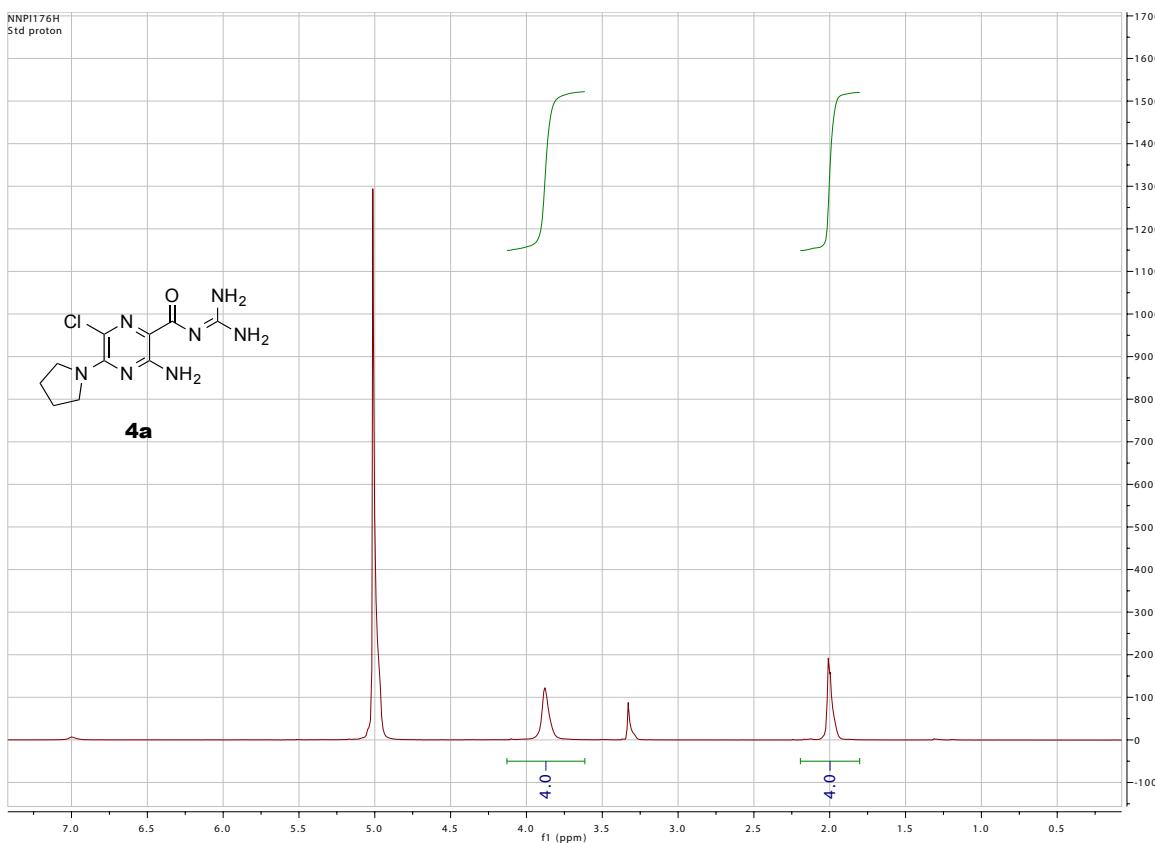
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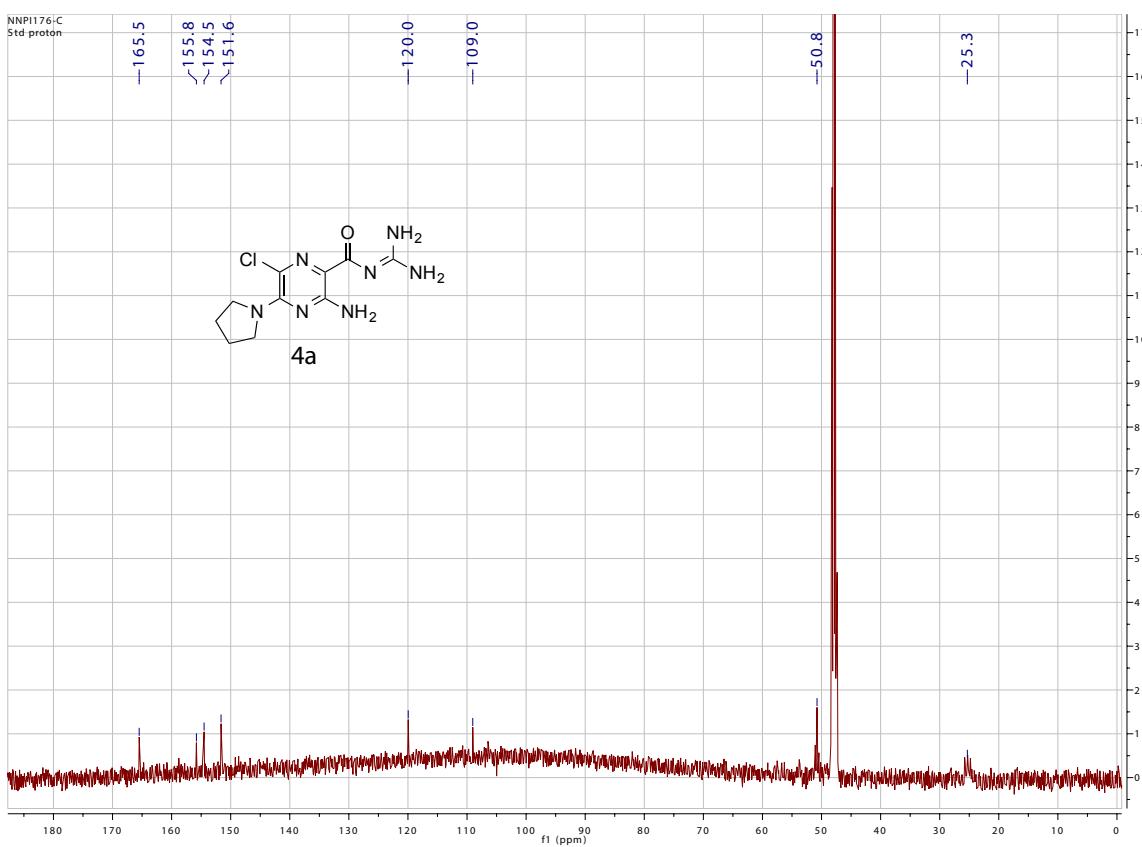
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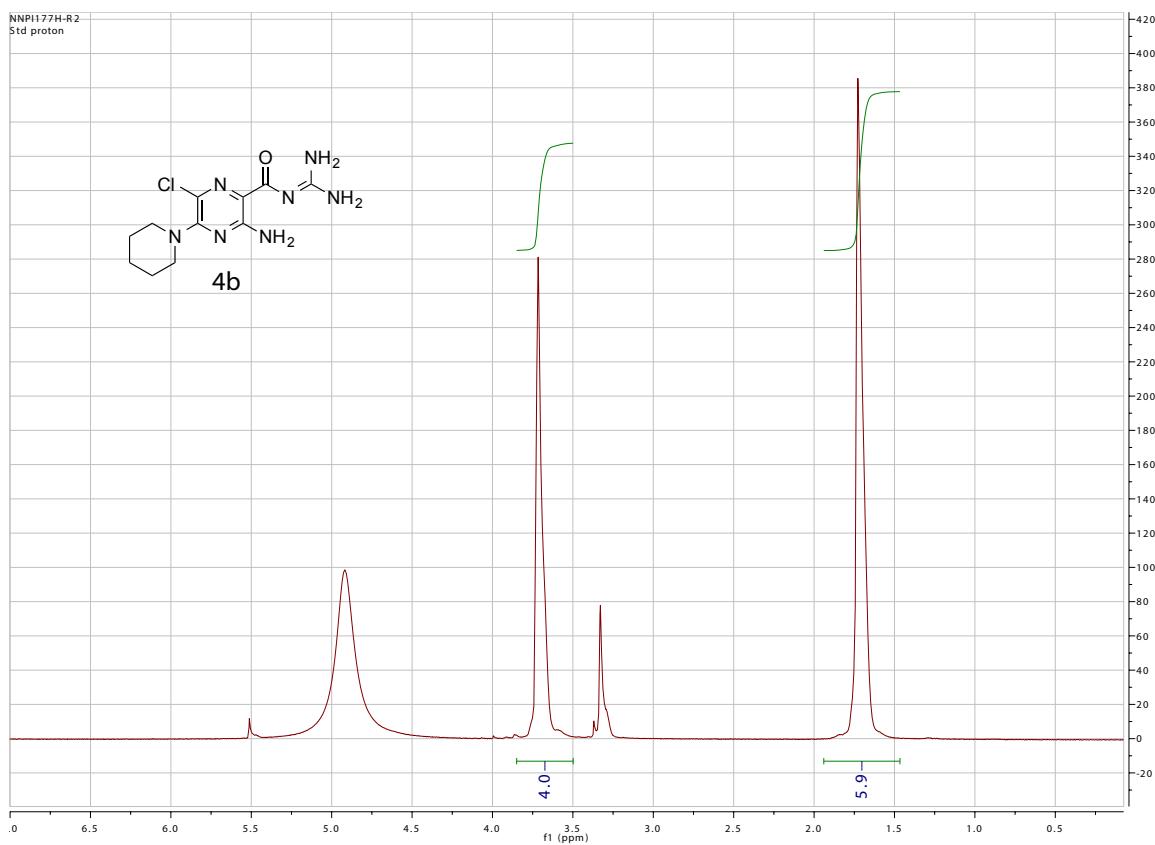
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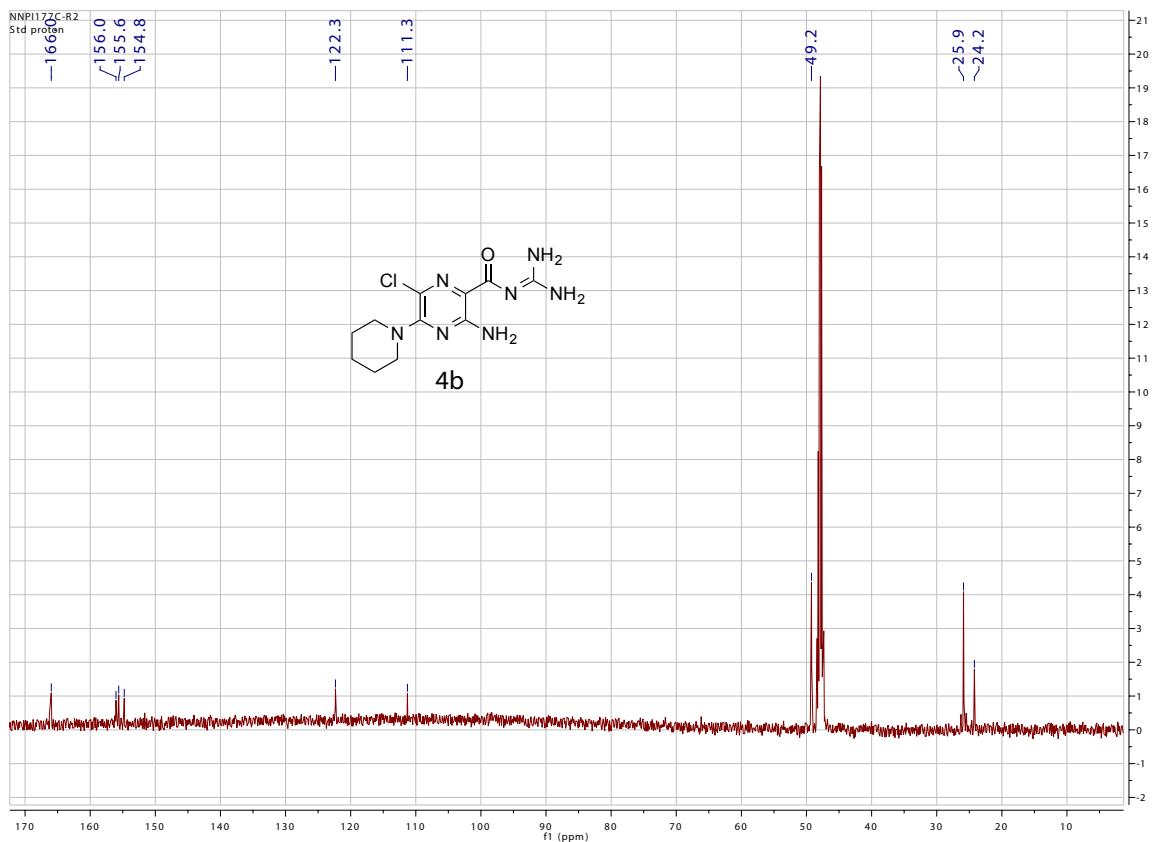
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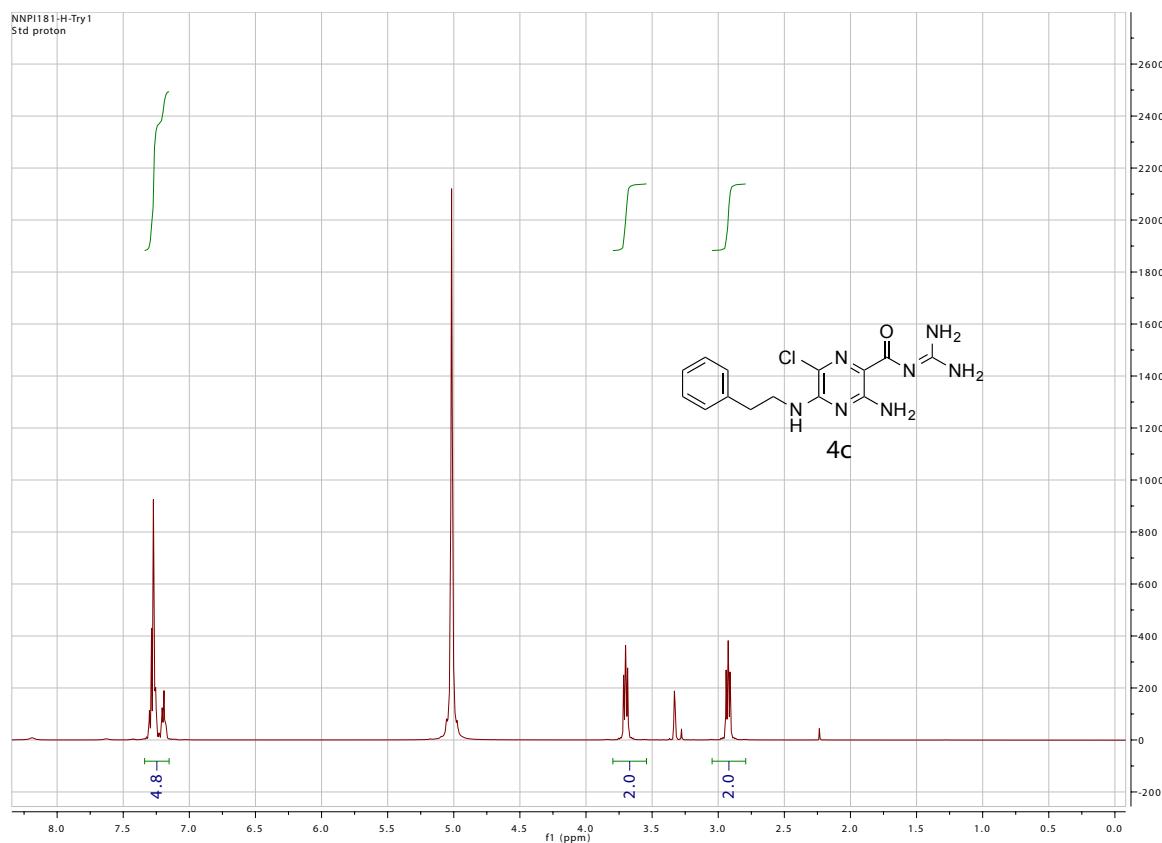
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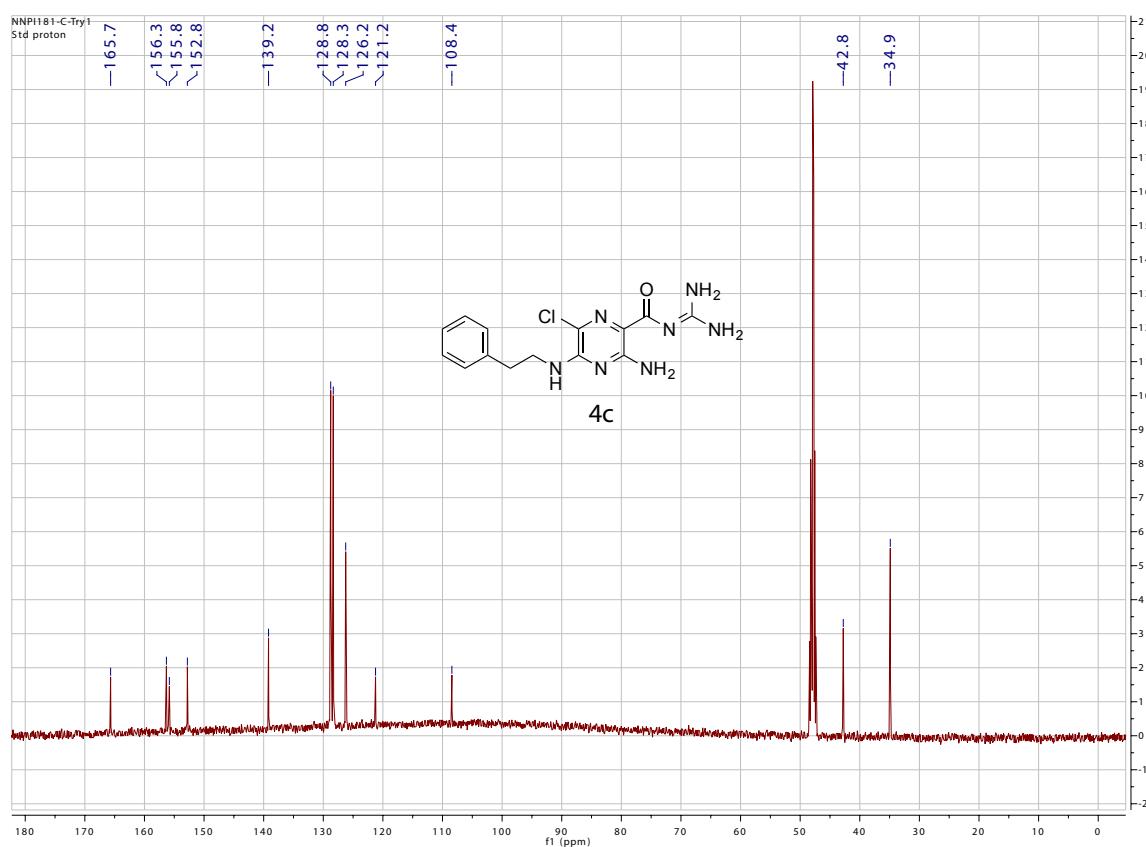
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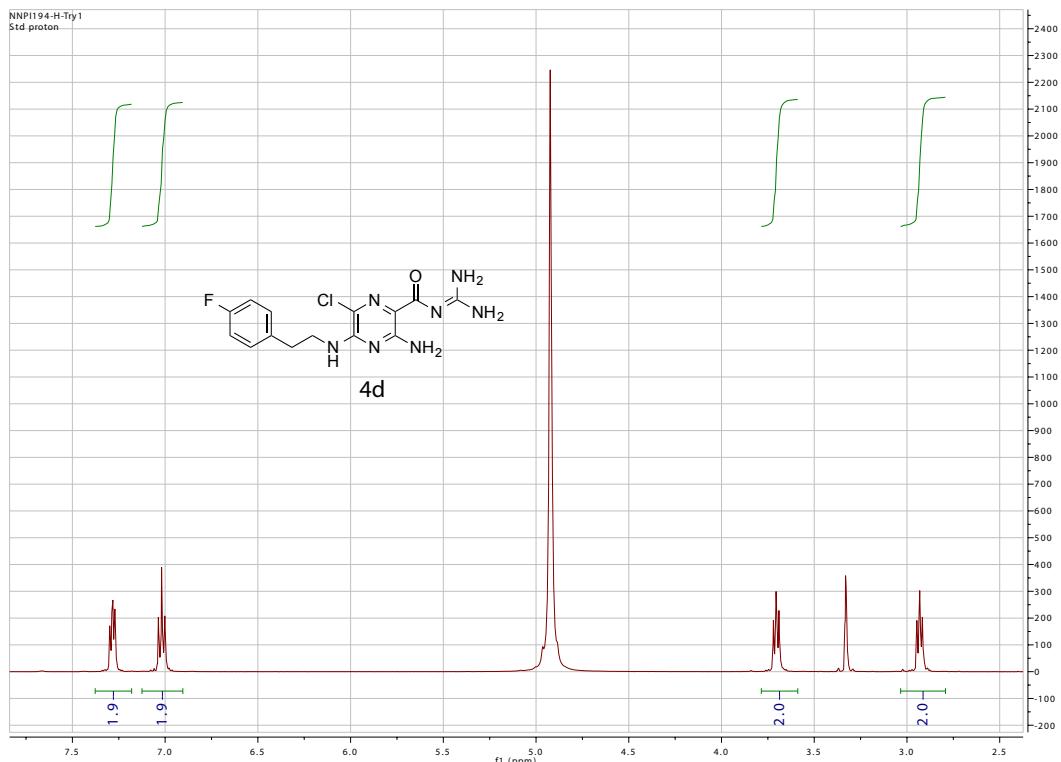
¹H NMR (CD₃OD) of 3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-(phenethylamino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4c):



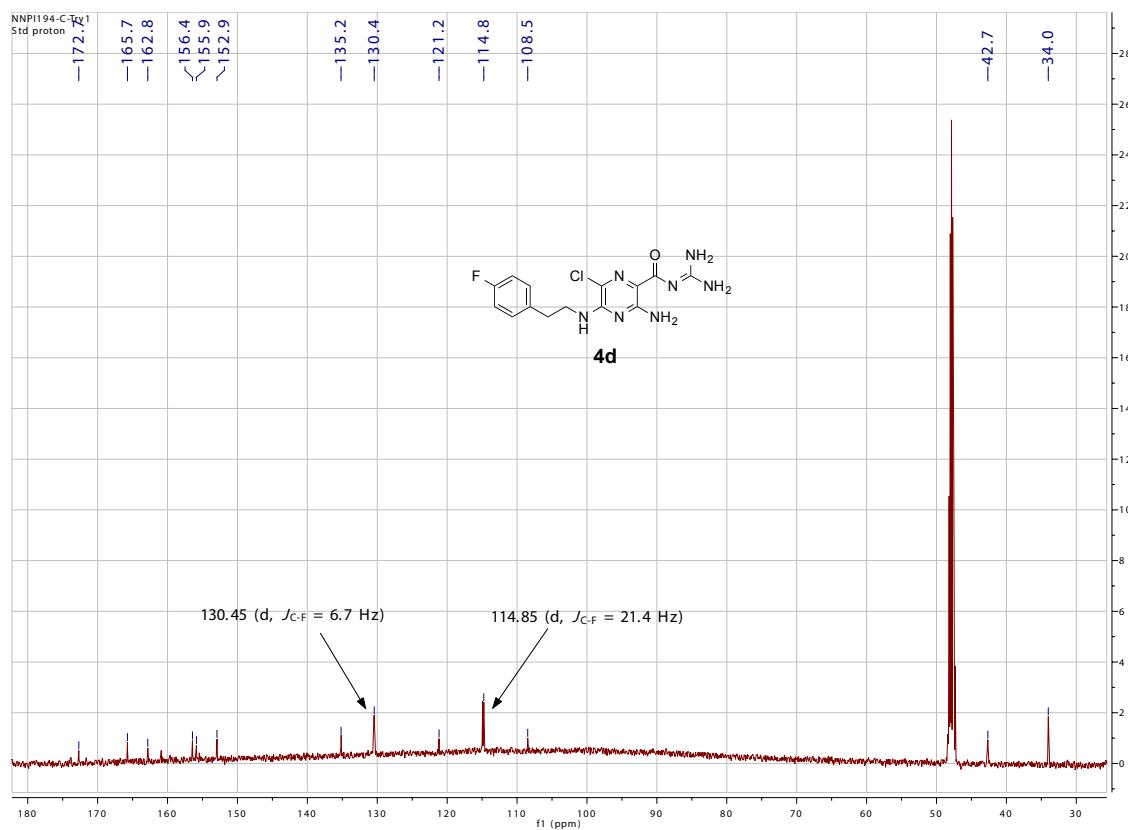
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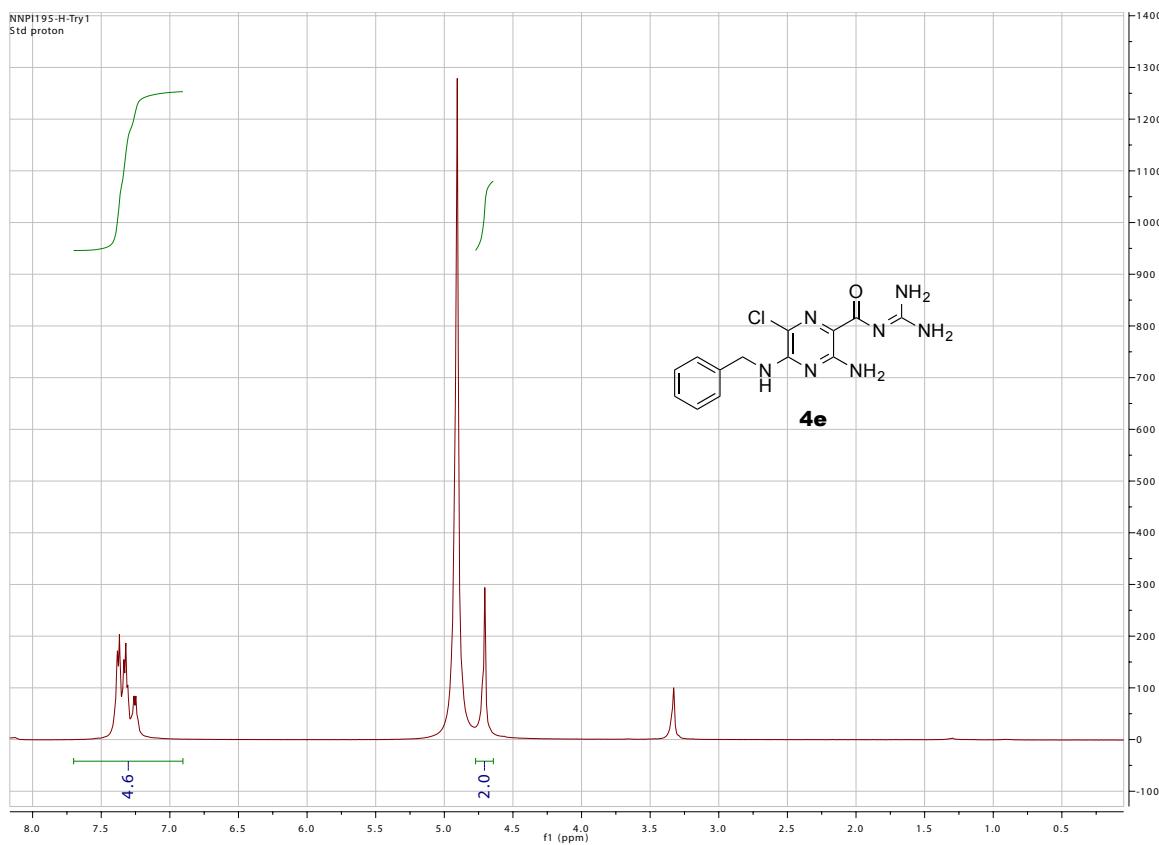
¹H NMR (CD₃OD) of 3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-((4-fluorophenethyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4d):



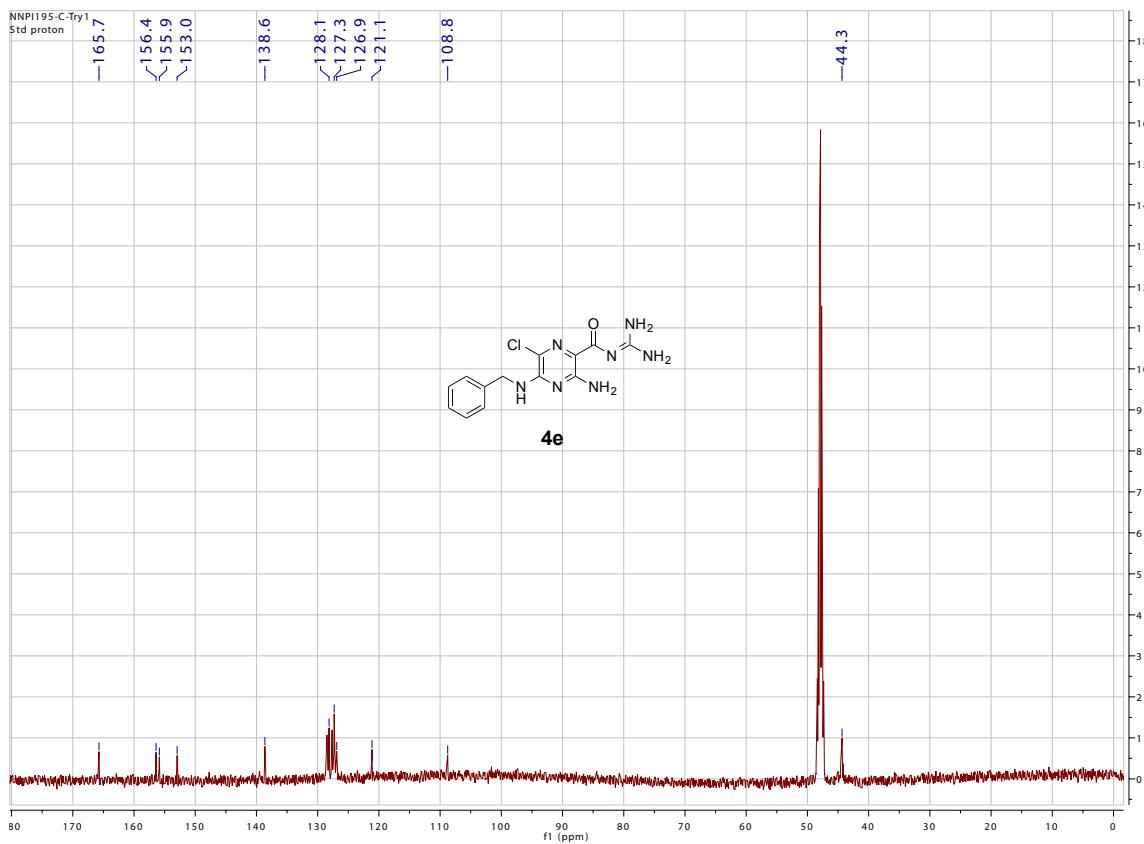
¹³C NMR (CD₃OD) of 3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-((4-fluorophenethyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4d): Doublets due to C-F coupling seen at 130.45 (d, $J_{C-F} = 6.7$ Hz) and 114.85 (d, $J_{C-F} = 21.4$ Hz). One extra peak in the aromatic region, due to strongly split fluorine substituted carbon in aromatic ring. 1 bond C-F coupling pattern for this peak is indiscernible in this spectrum.



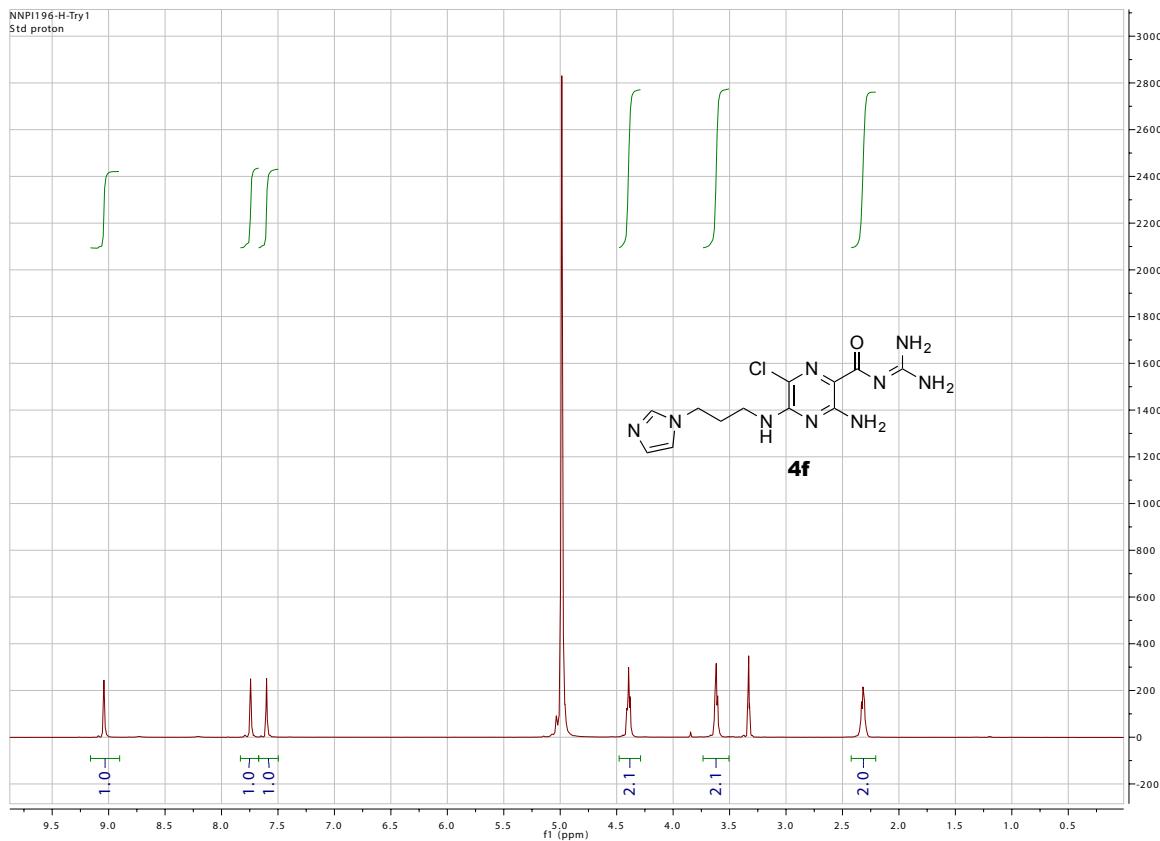
¹H NMR (CD₃OD) of 3-amino-5-(benzylamino)-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4e):



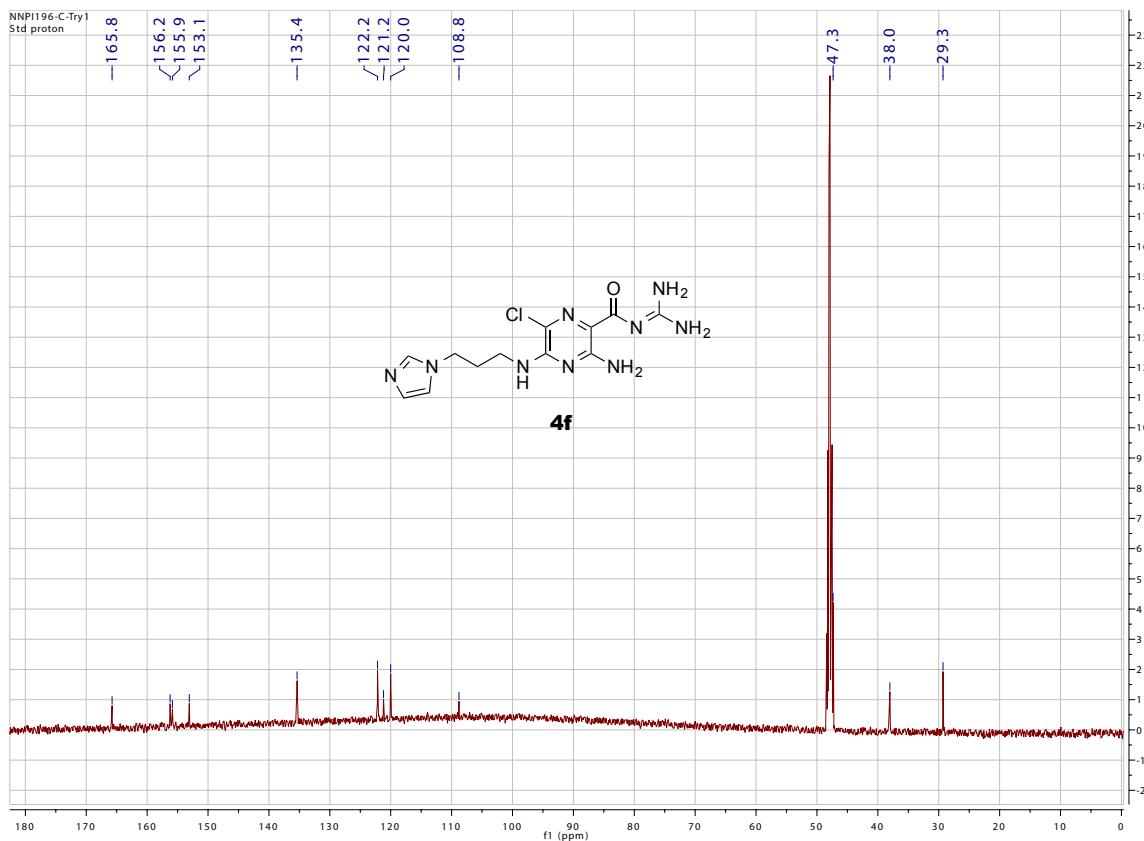
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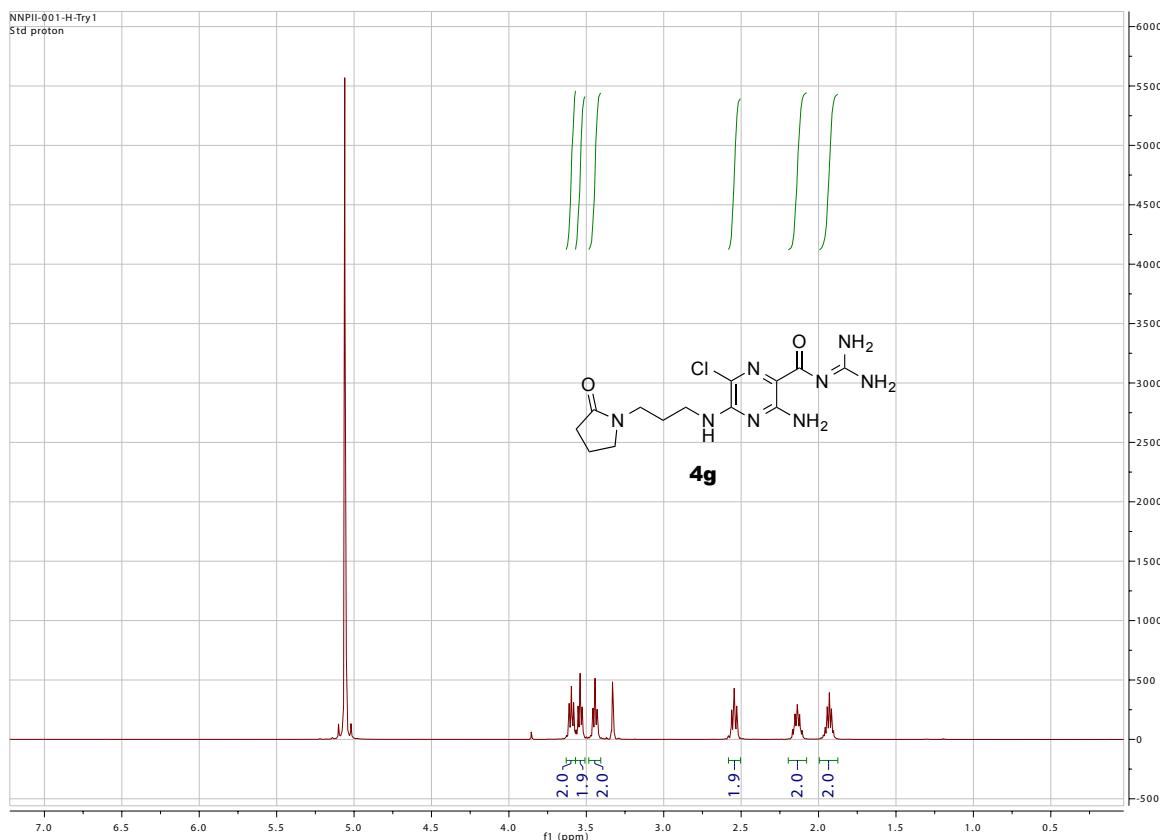
¹H NMR (CD₃OD) of 5-((3-(1*H*-imidazol-1-yl)propyl)amino)-3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4f):



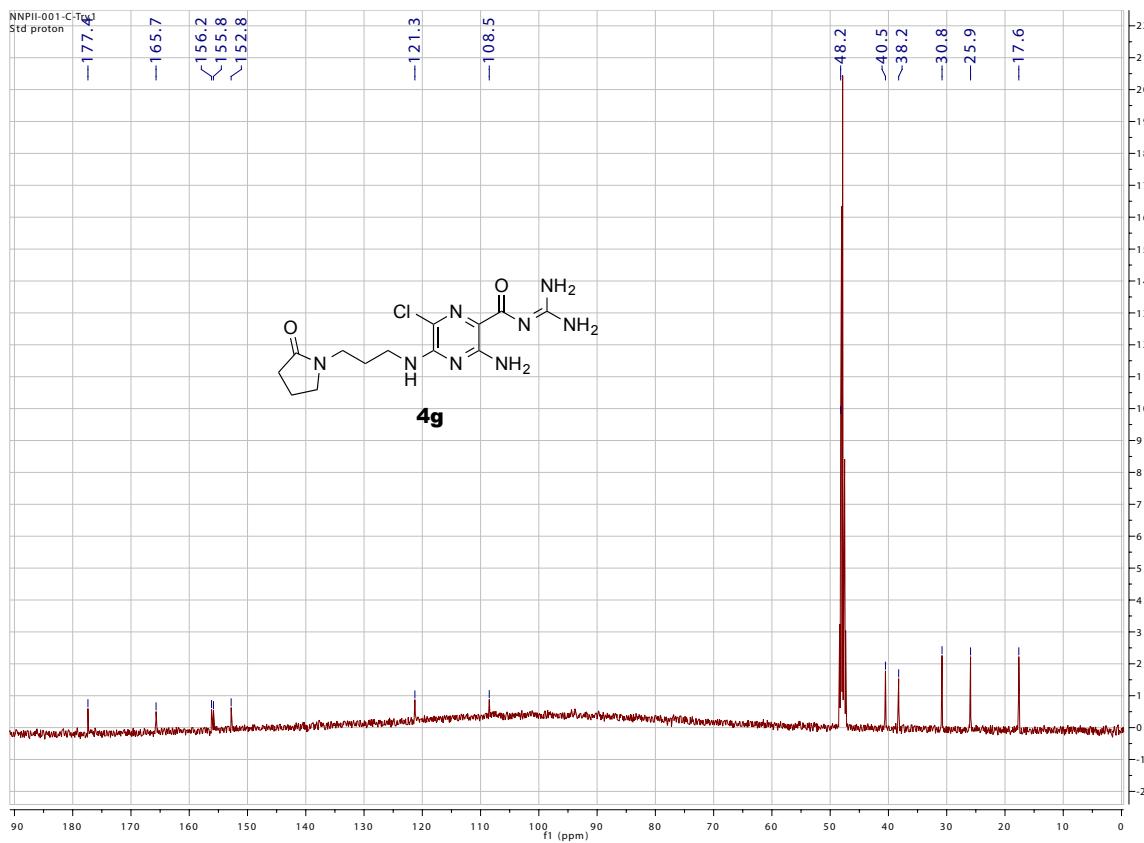
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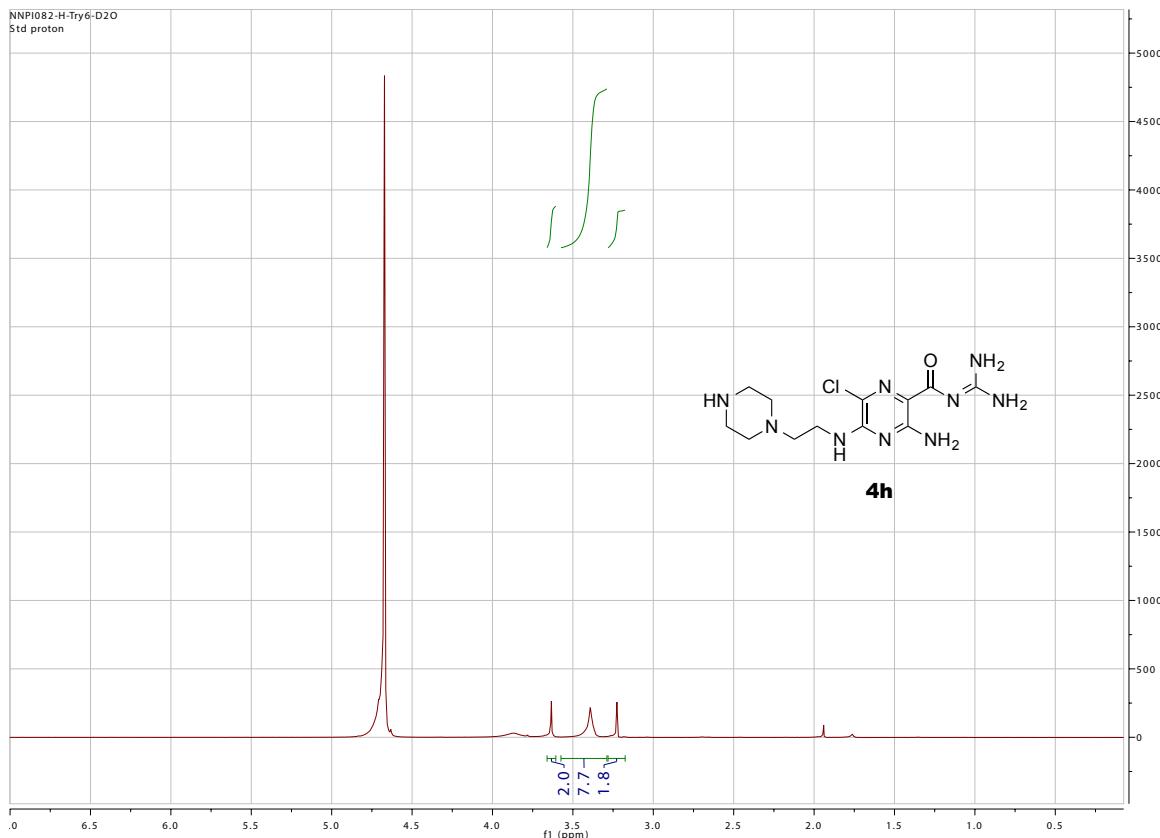
¹H NMR (CD₃OD) of 3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-((3-(2-oxopyrrolidin-1-yl)propyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4g):



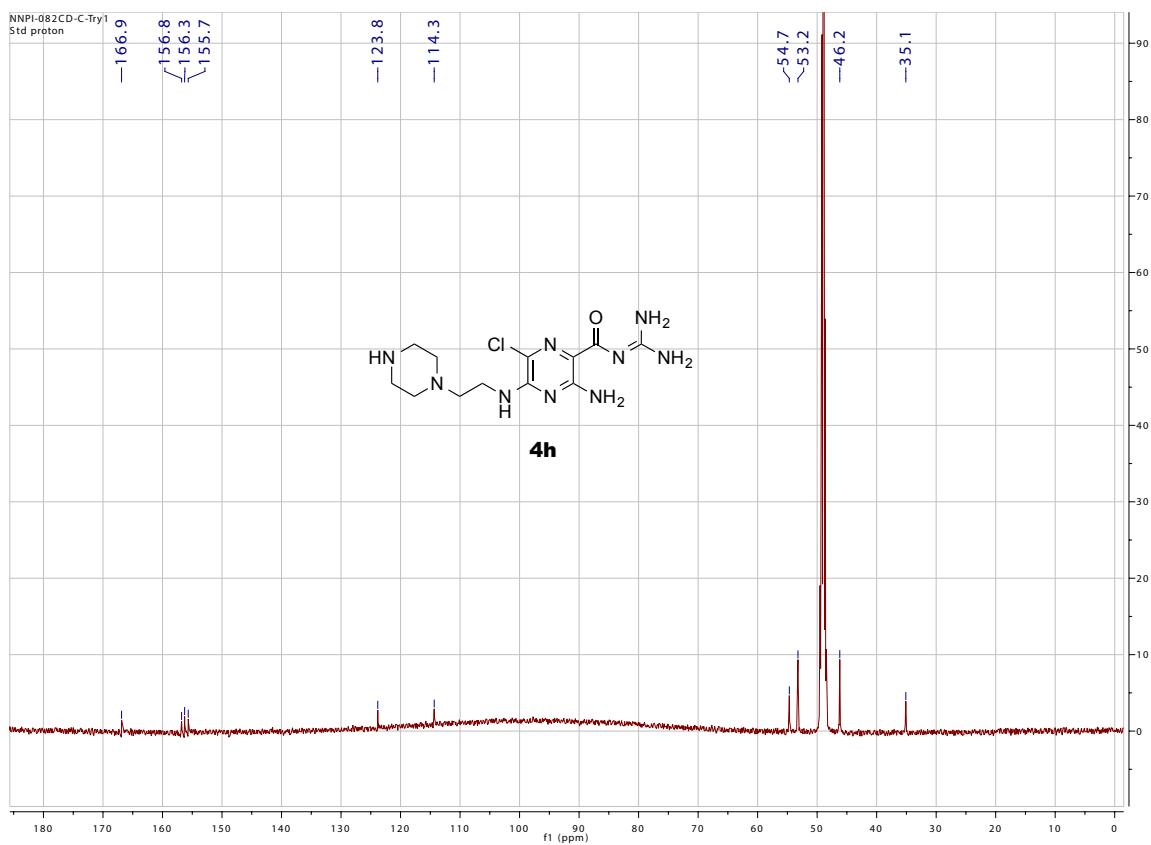
¹³C NMR (CD₃OD) of 3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-((3-(2-oxopyrrolidin-1-yl)propyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4g): One alkyl peak overlapped by solvent at 48.2



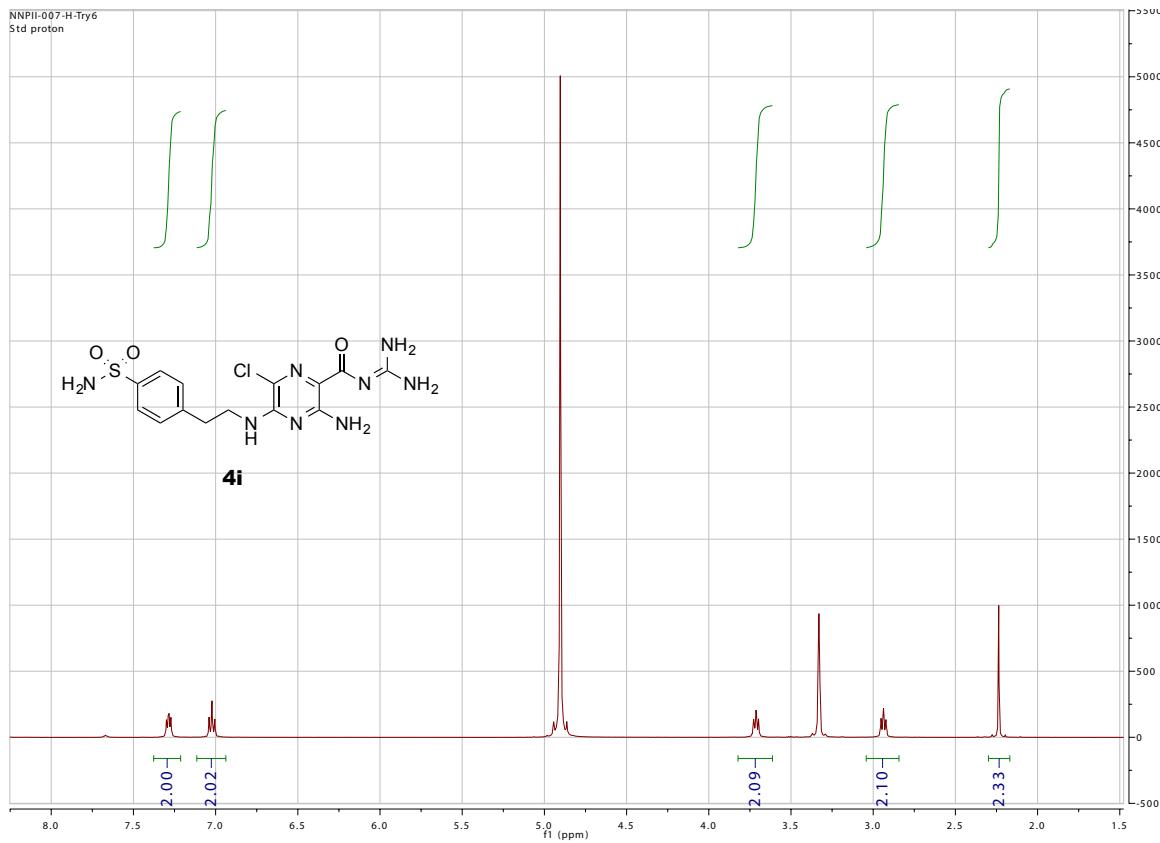
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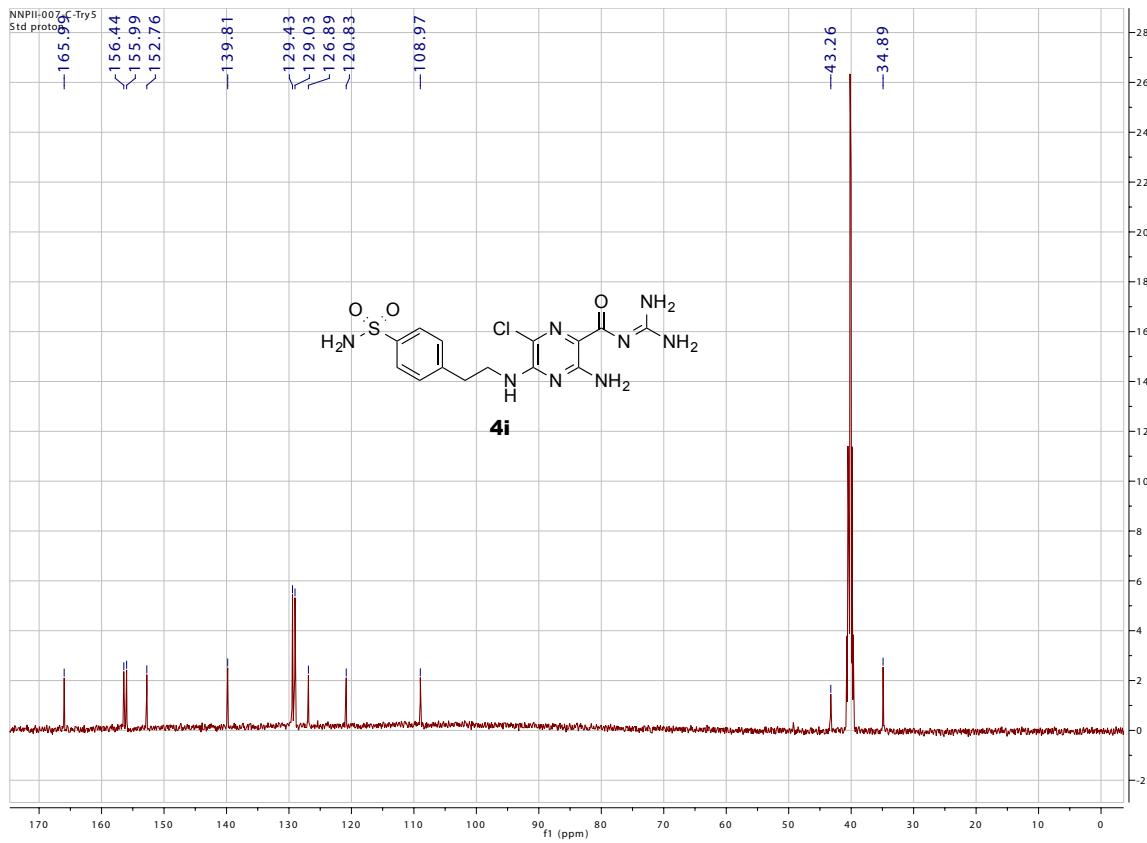
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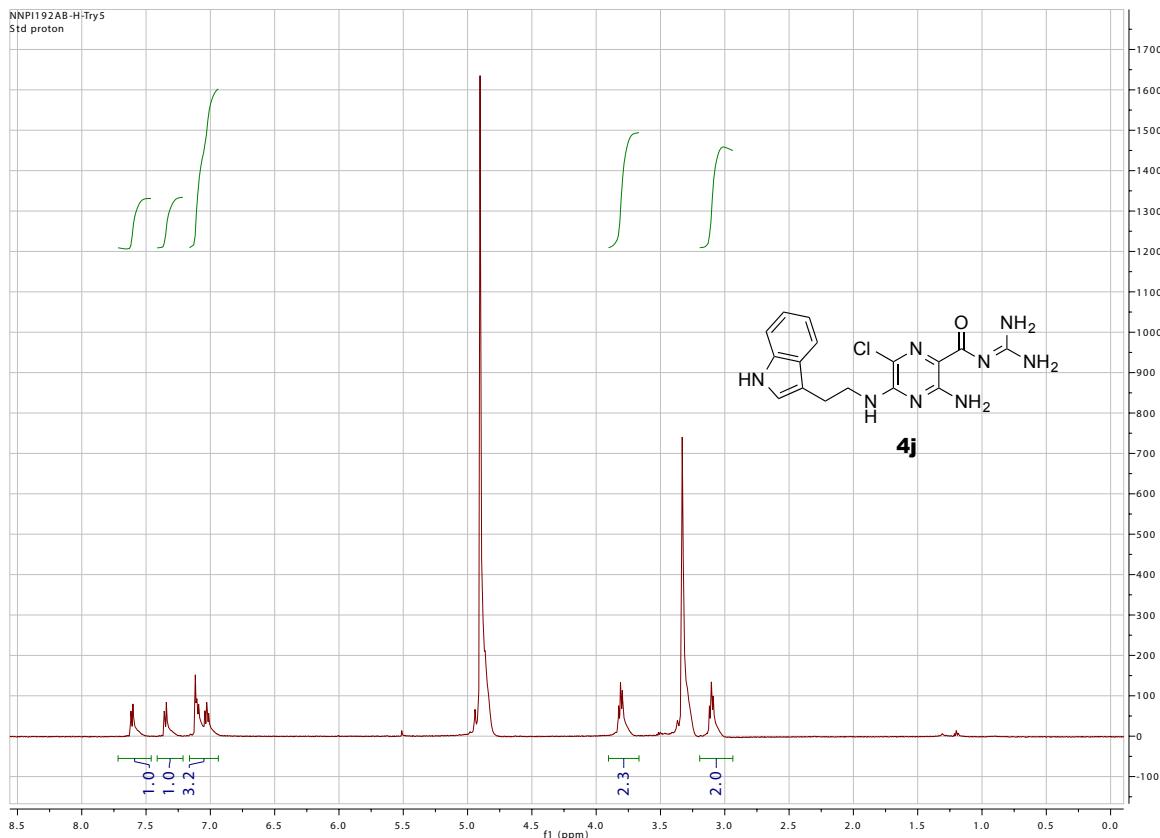
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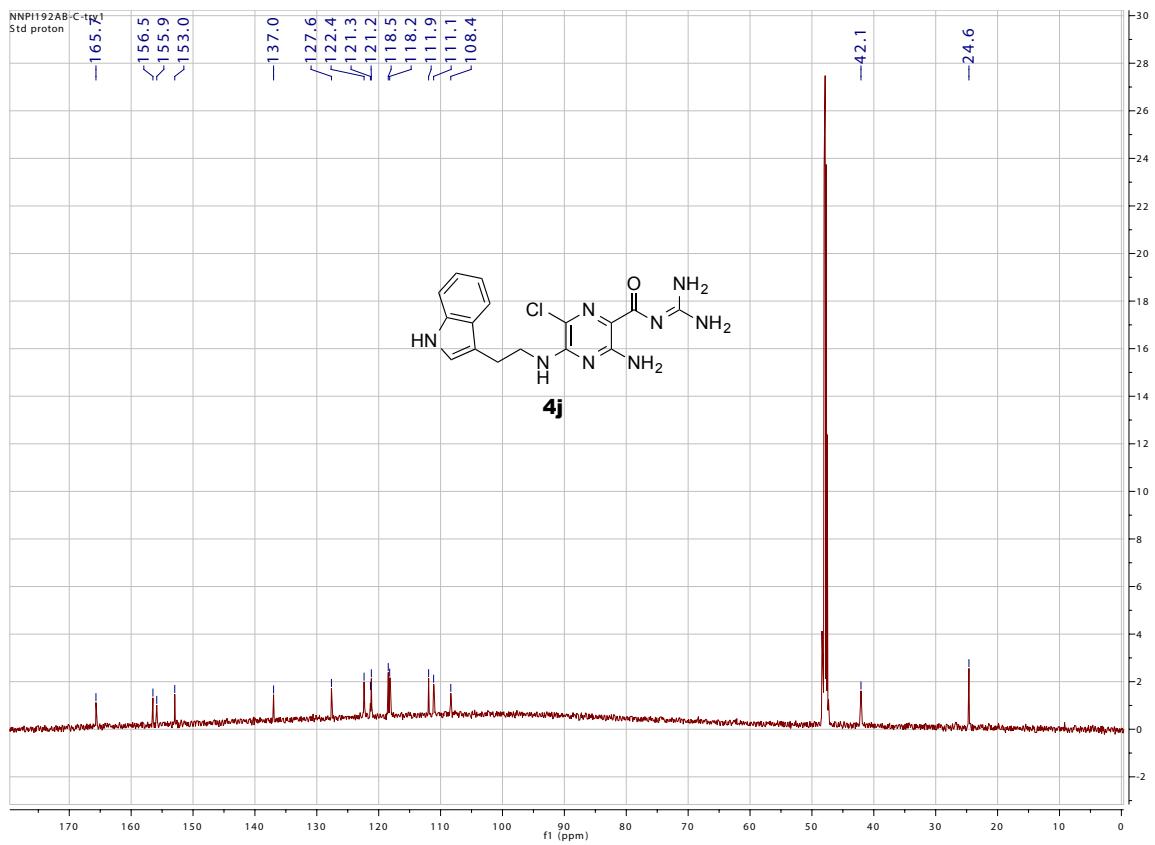
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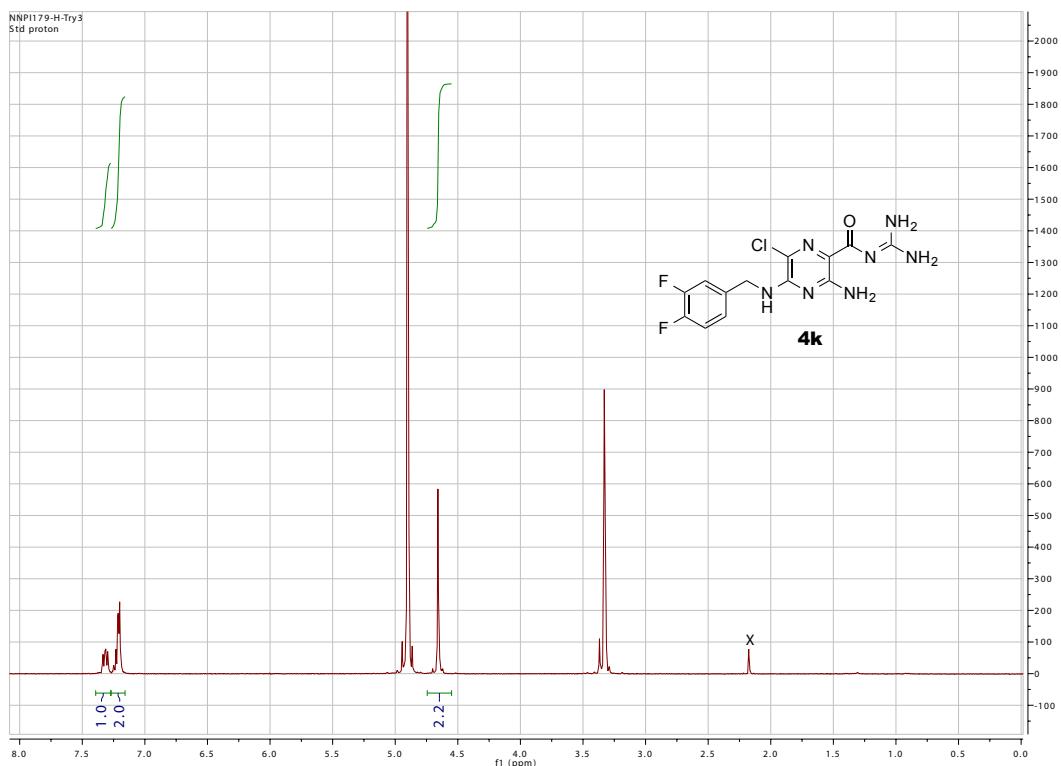
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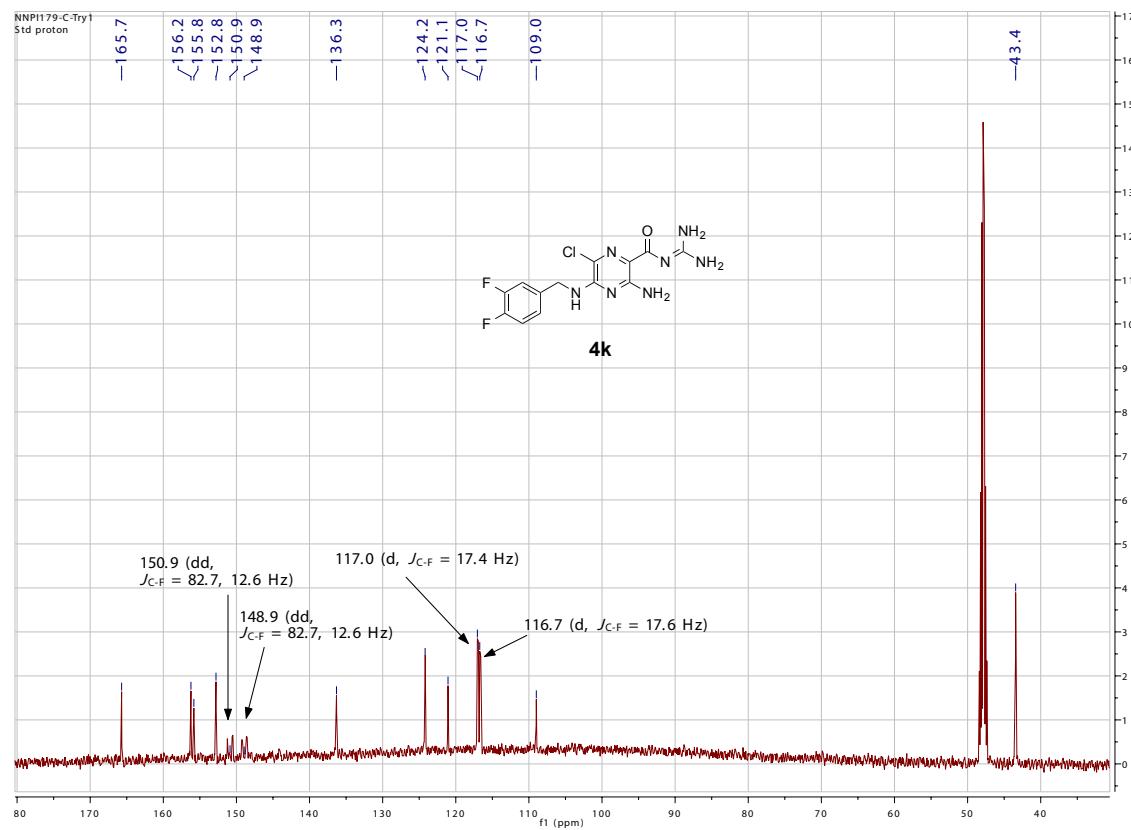
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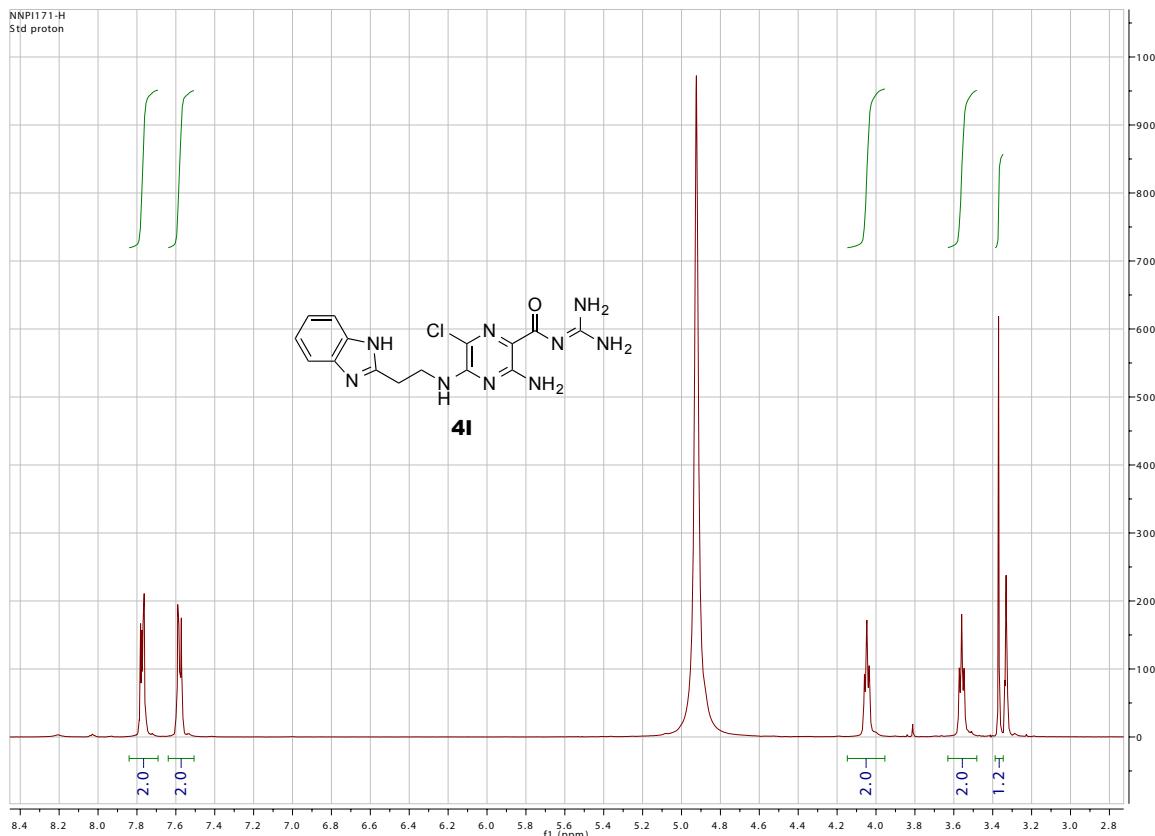
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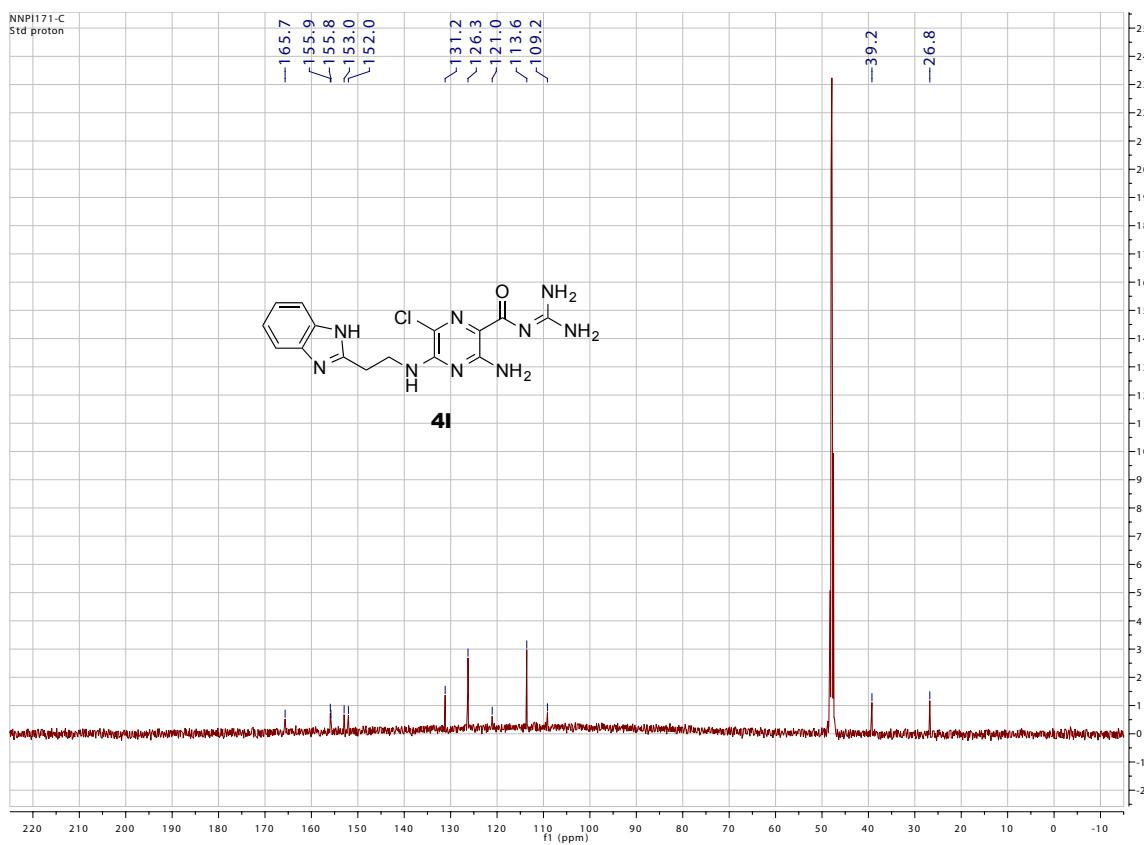
¹³C NMR (CD_3OD) of 3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-((3,4-difluorobenzyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4k): Peak splitting corresponding to C-F coupling seen at 150.9 (dd, $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 82.7, 12.6$ Hz), 148.9 (dd, $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 81.8, 12.6$ Hz), 117.0 (d, $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 17.4$ Hz), 116.7 (d, $J_{\text{C}-\text{F}} = 17.6$ Hz).



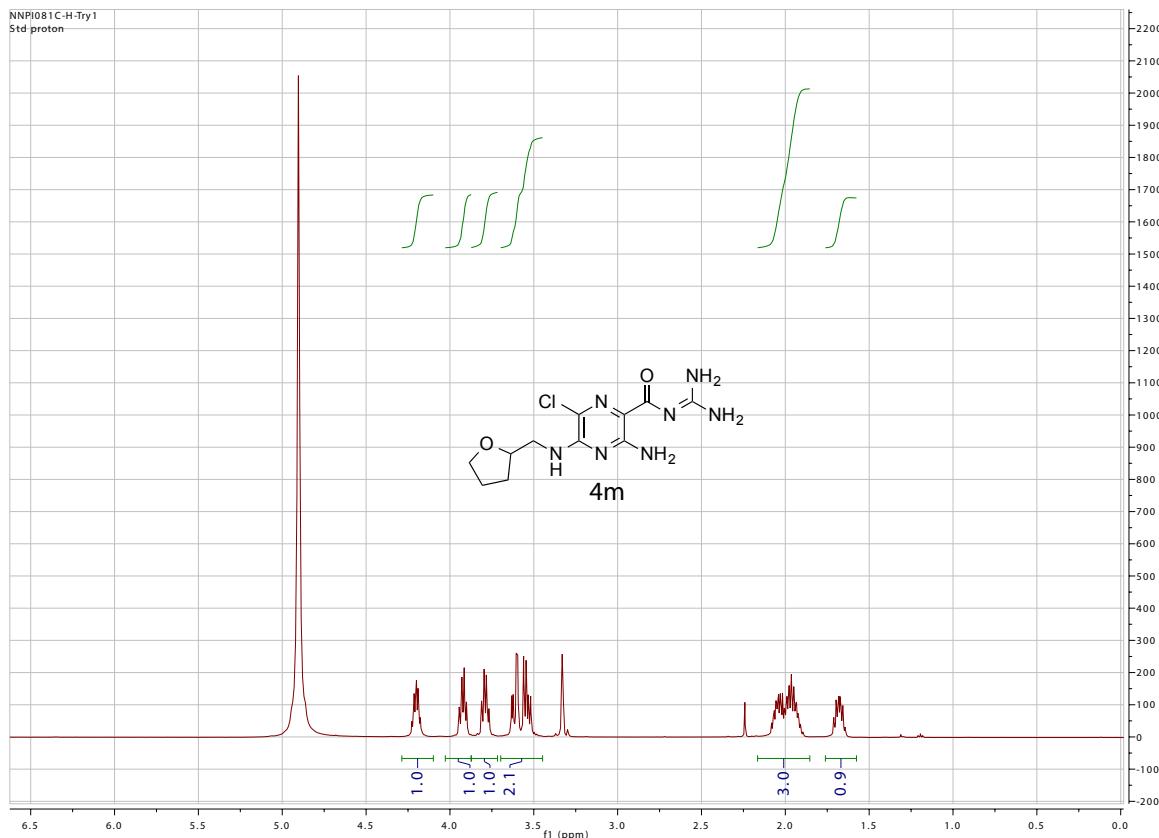
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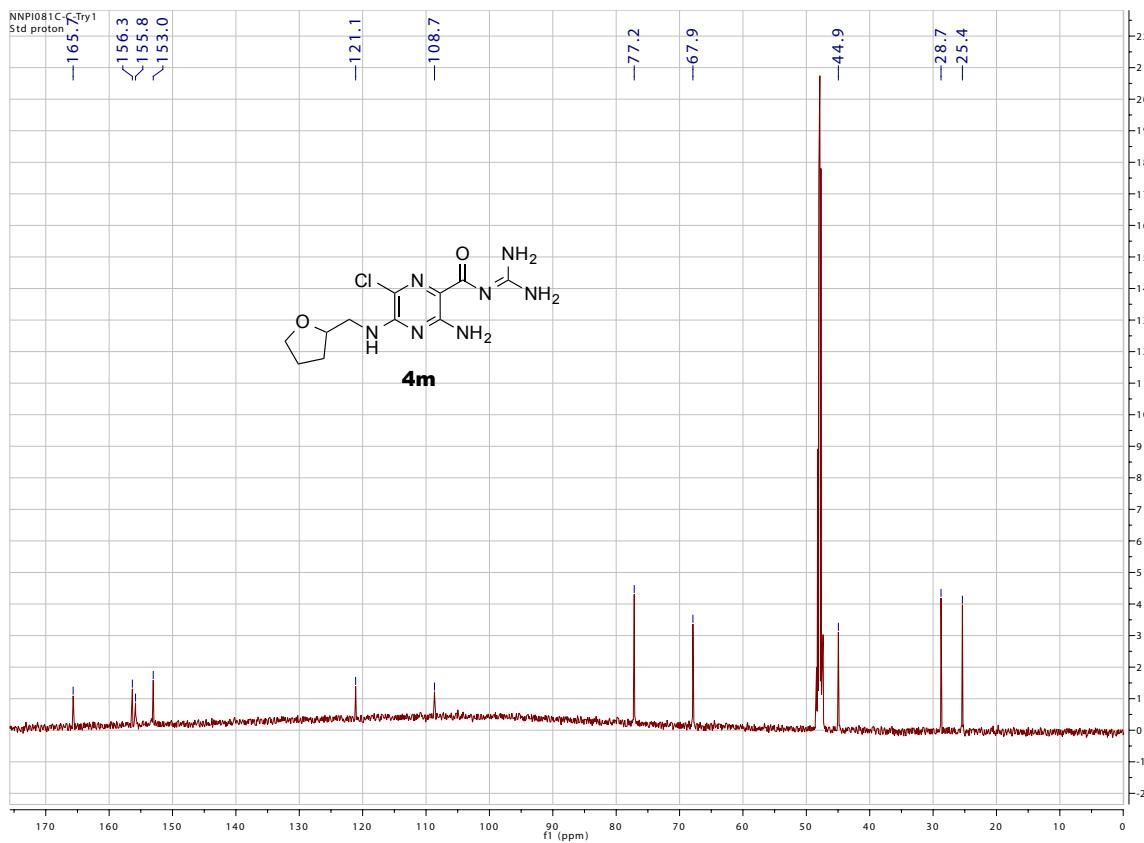
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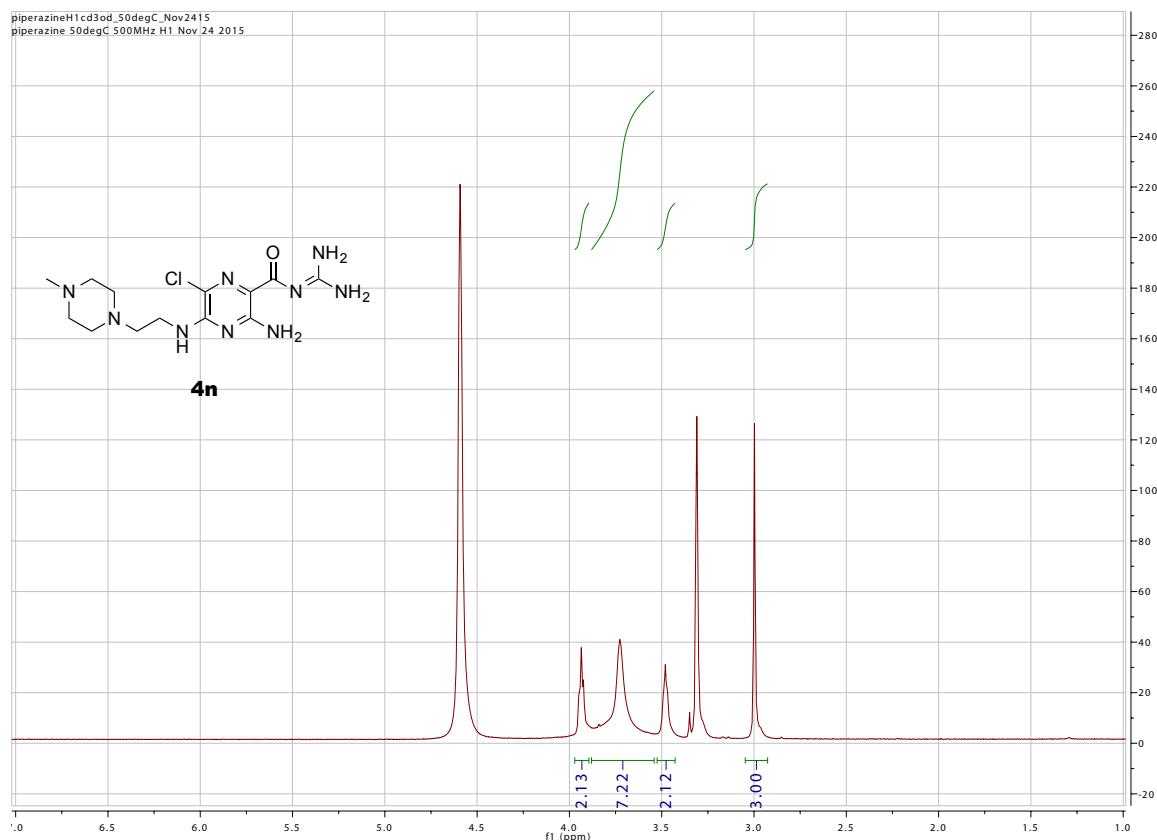
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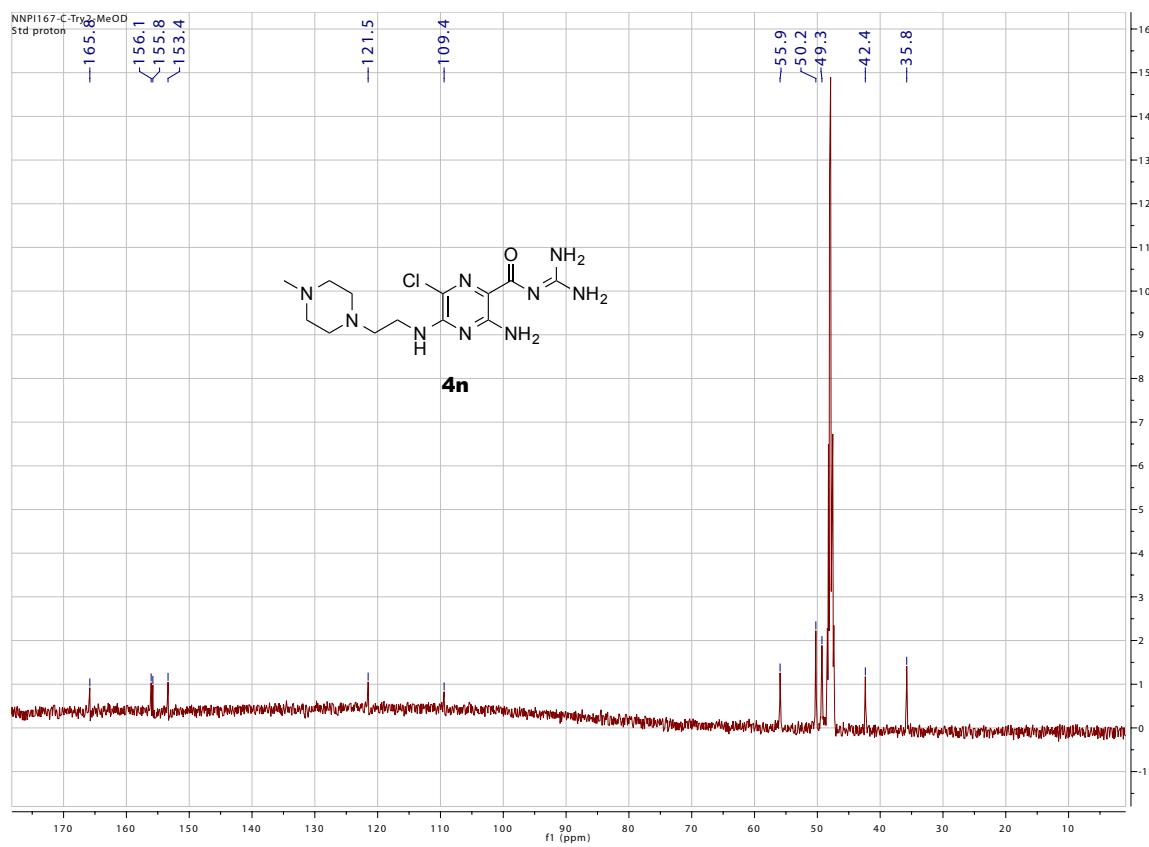
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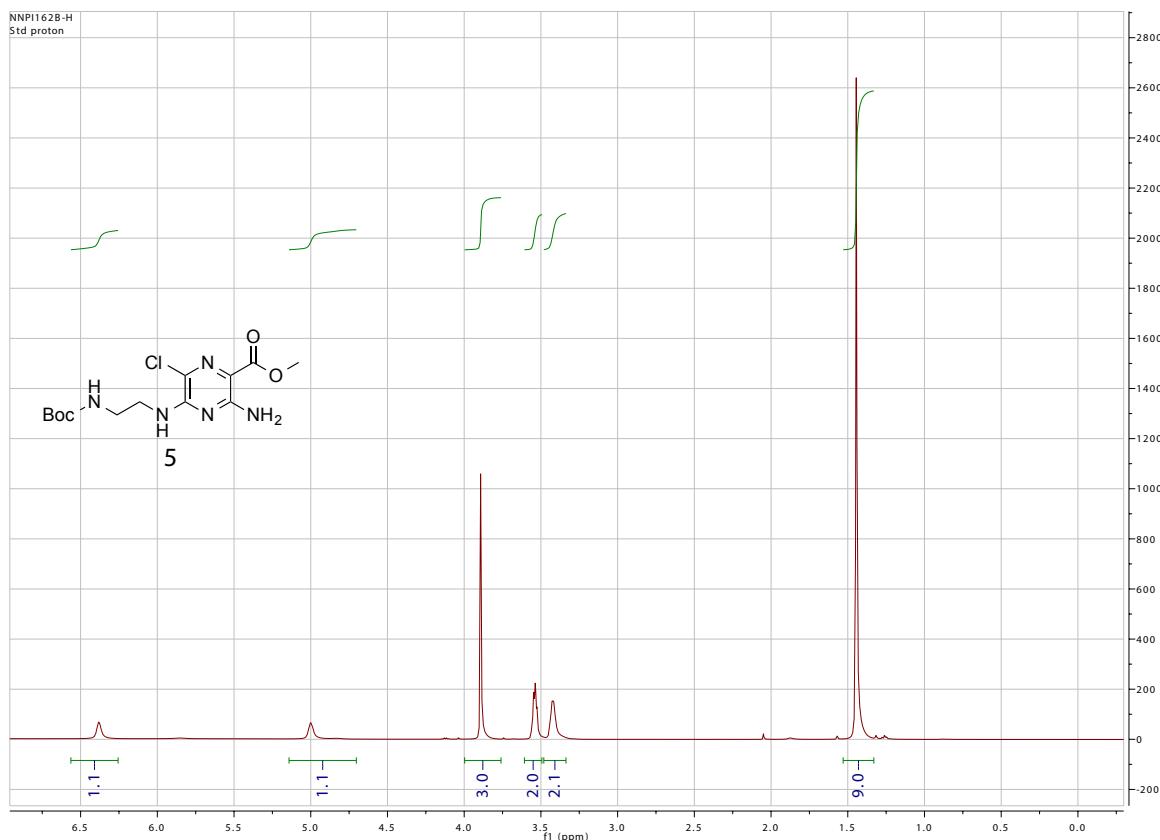
¹H NMR (CD₃OD, 50 °C) of 3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-((2-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)ethyl)amino)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4n):



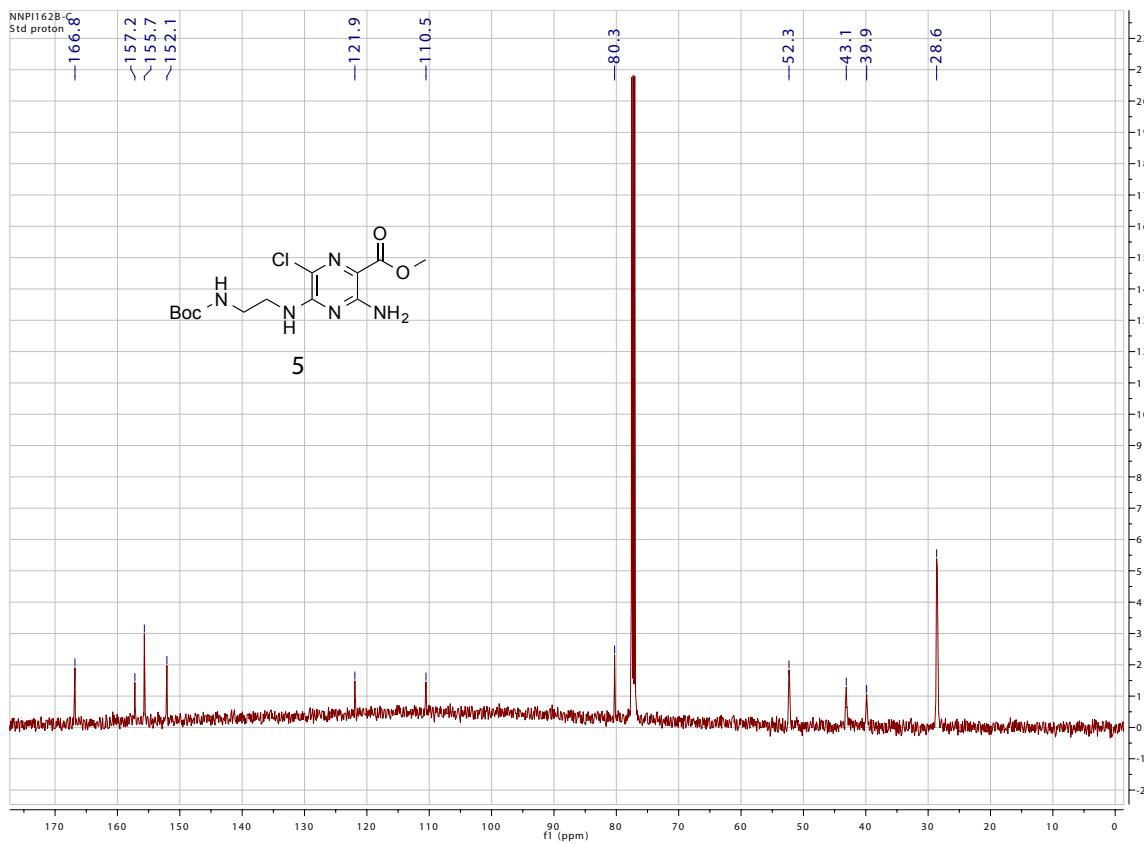
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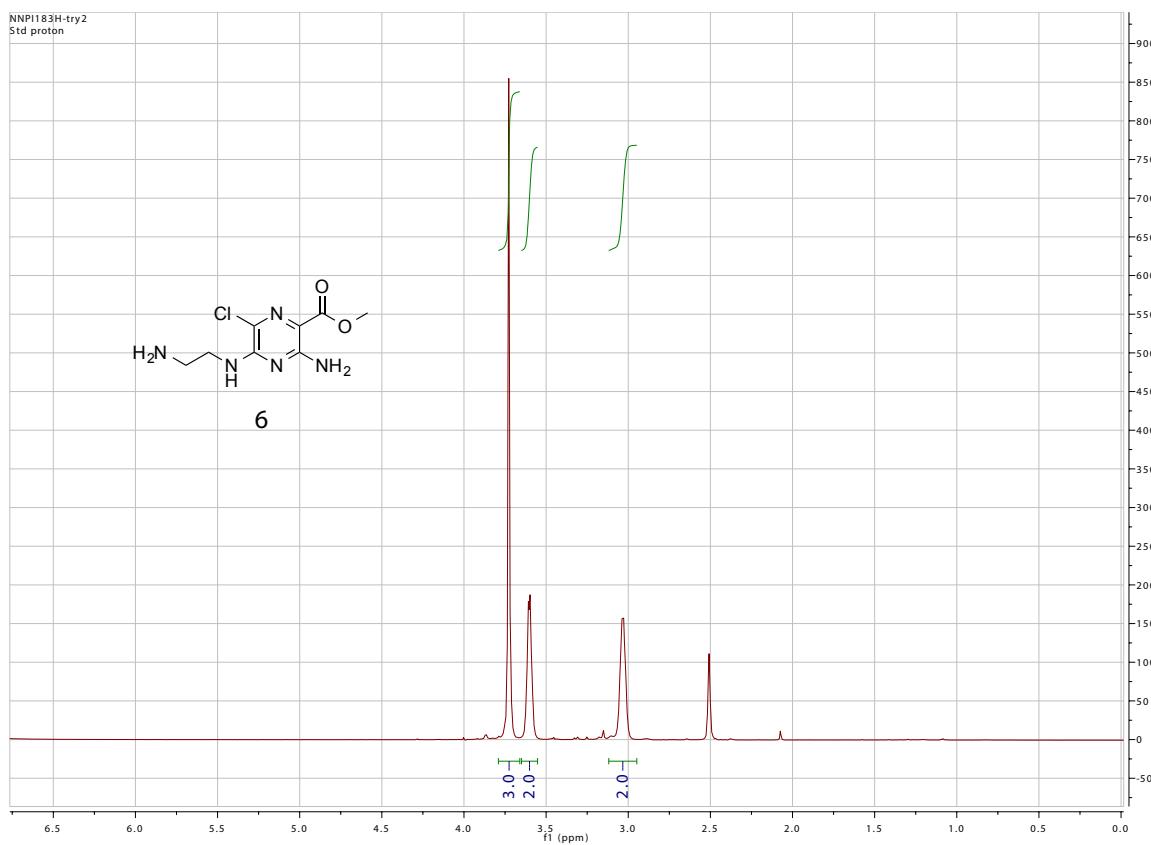
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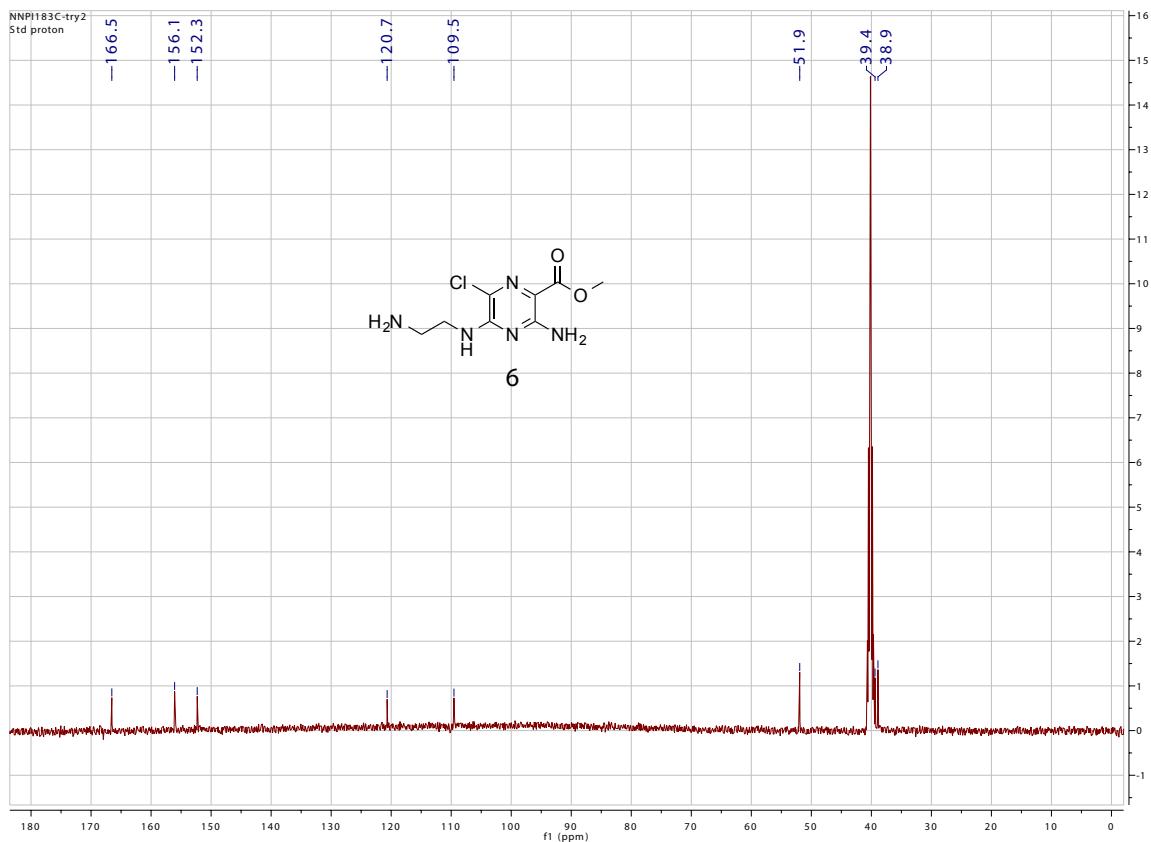
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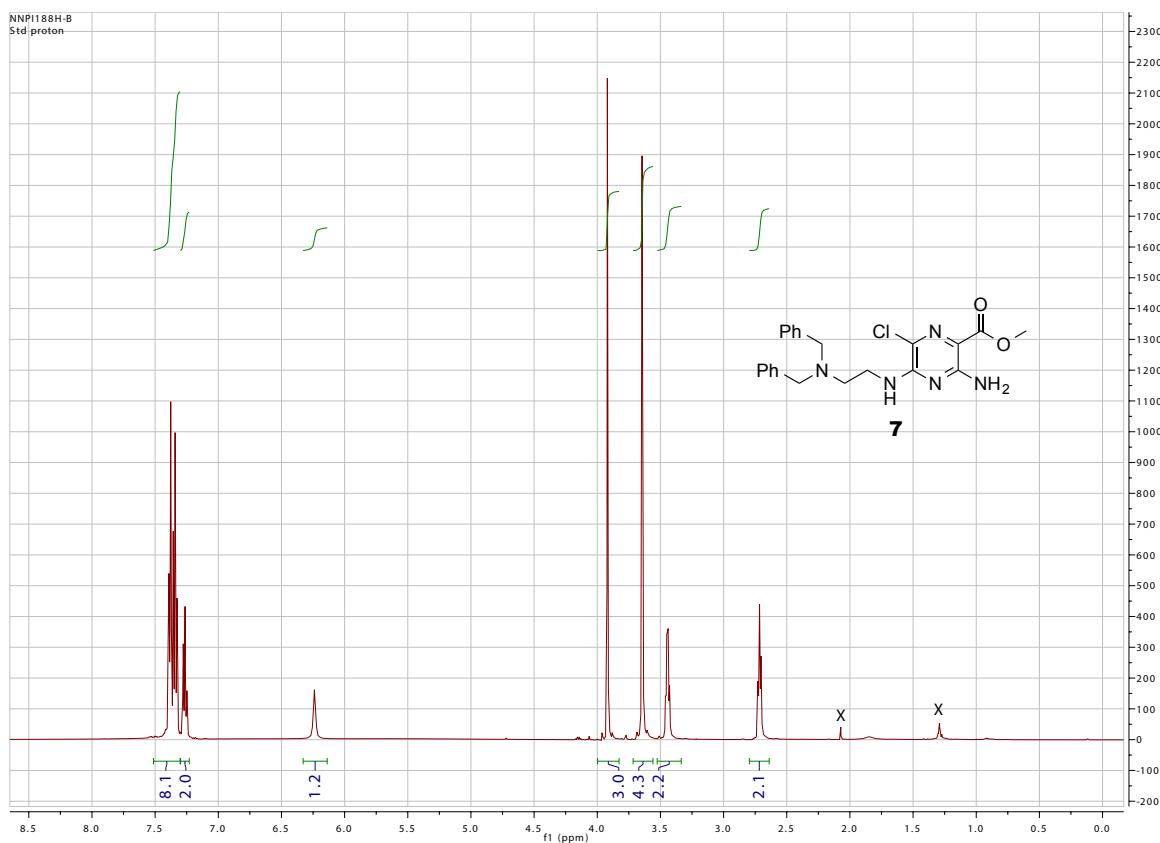
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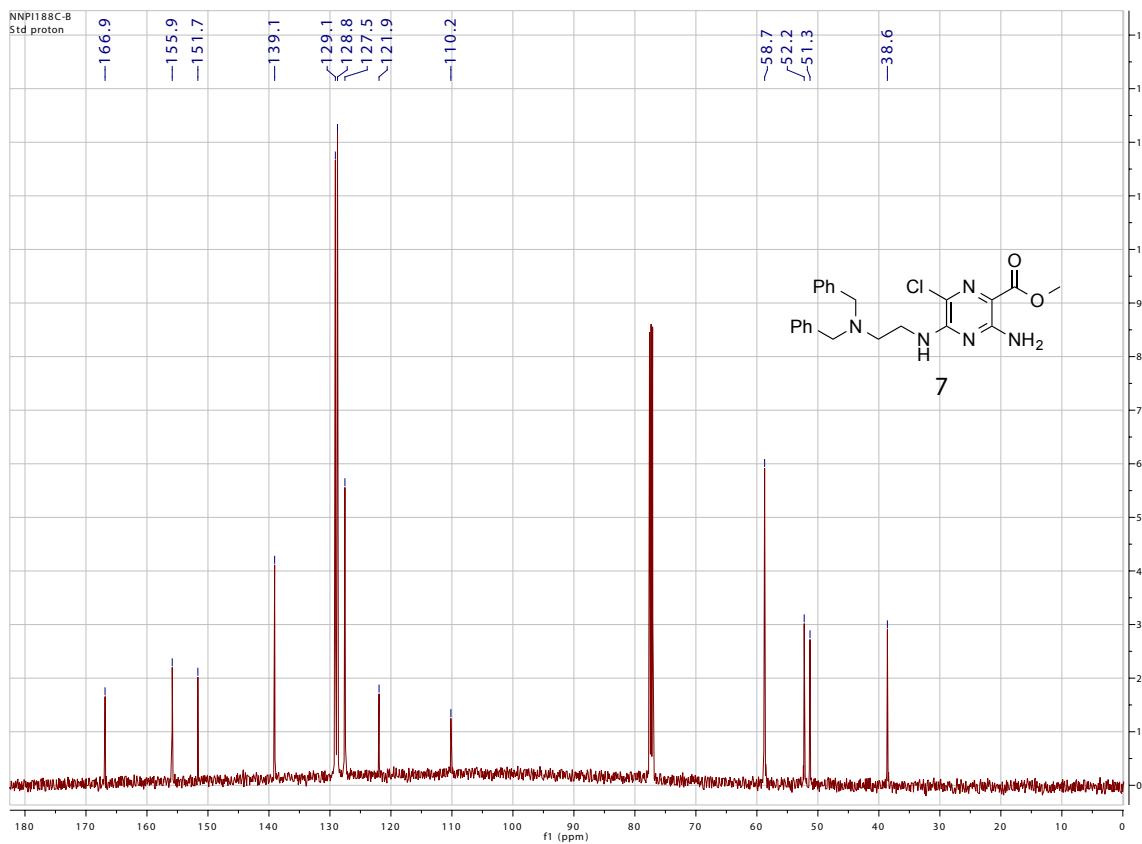
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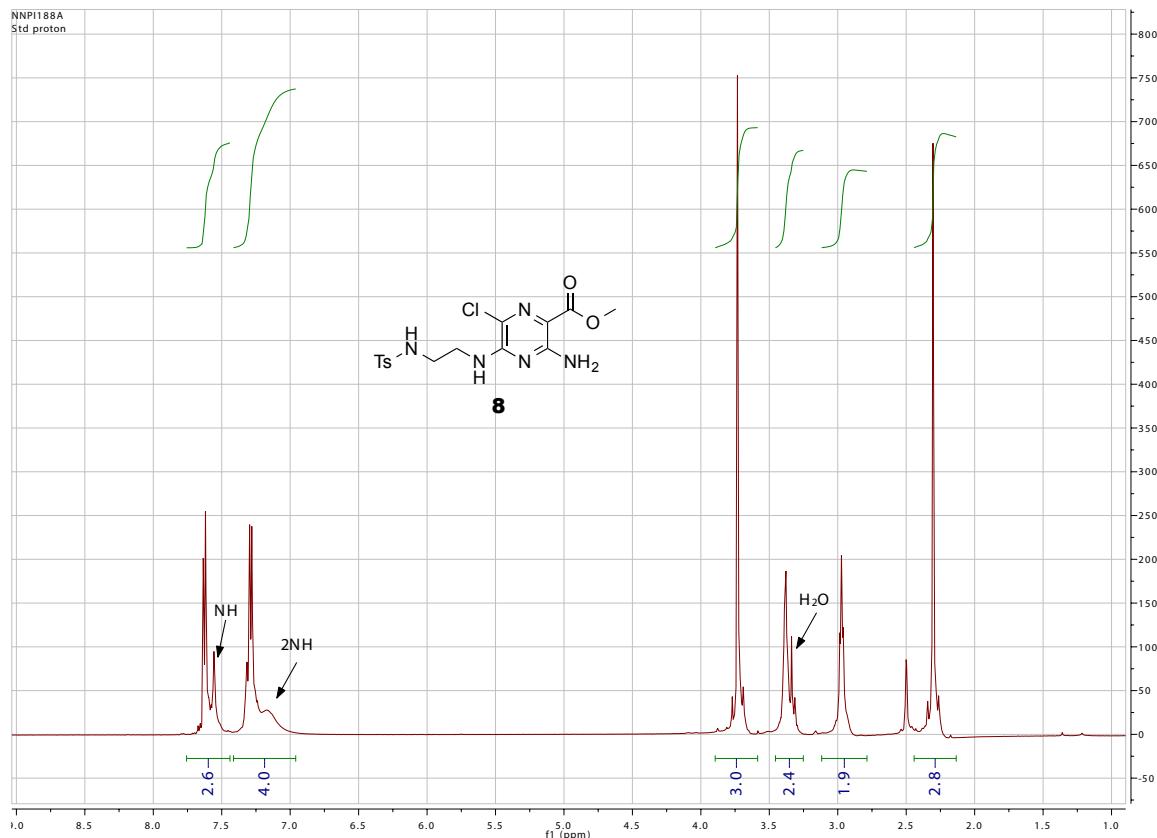
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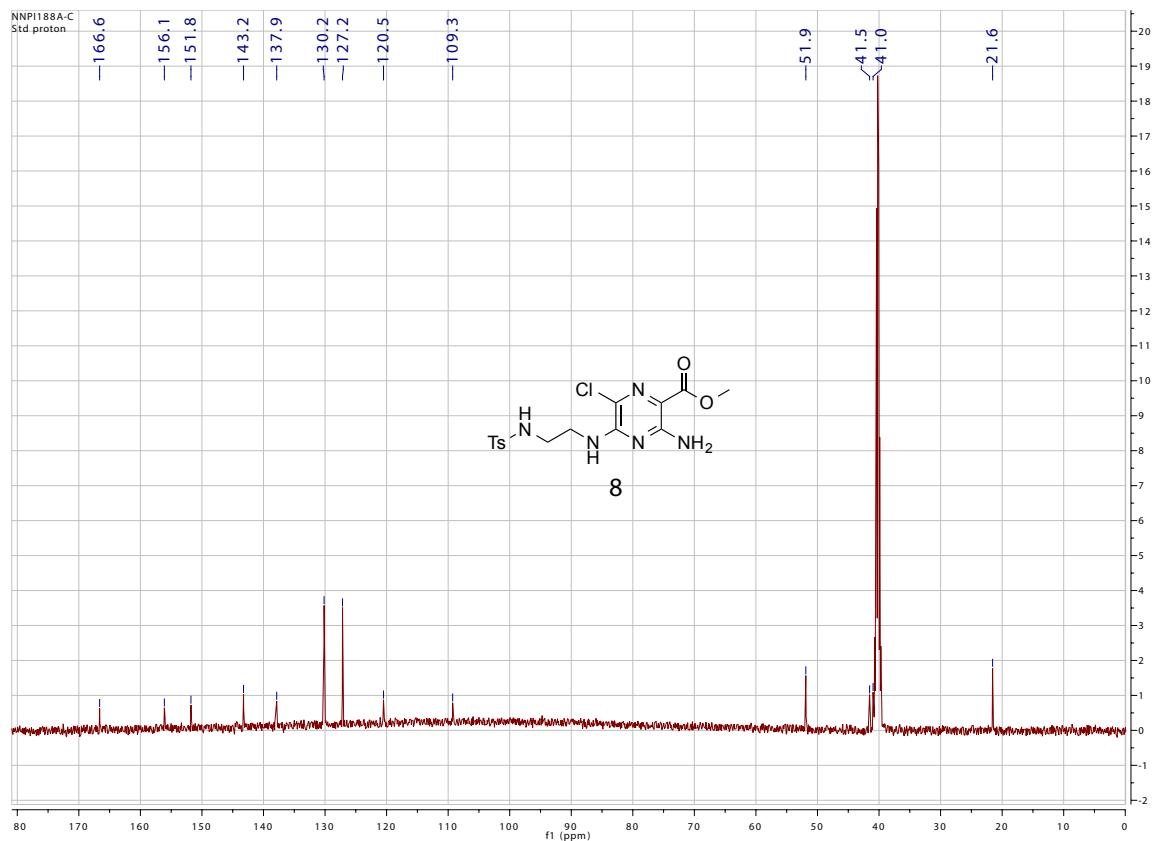
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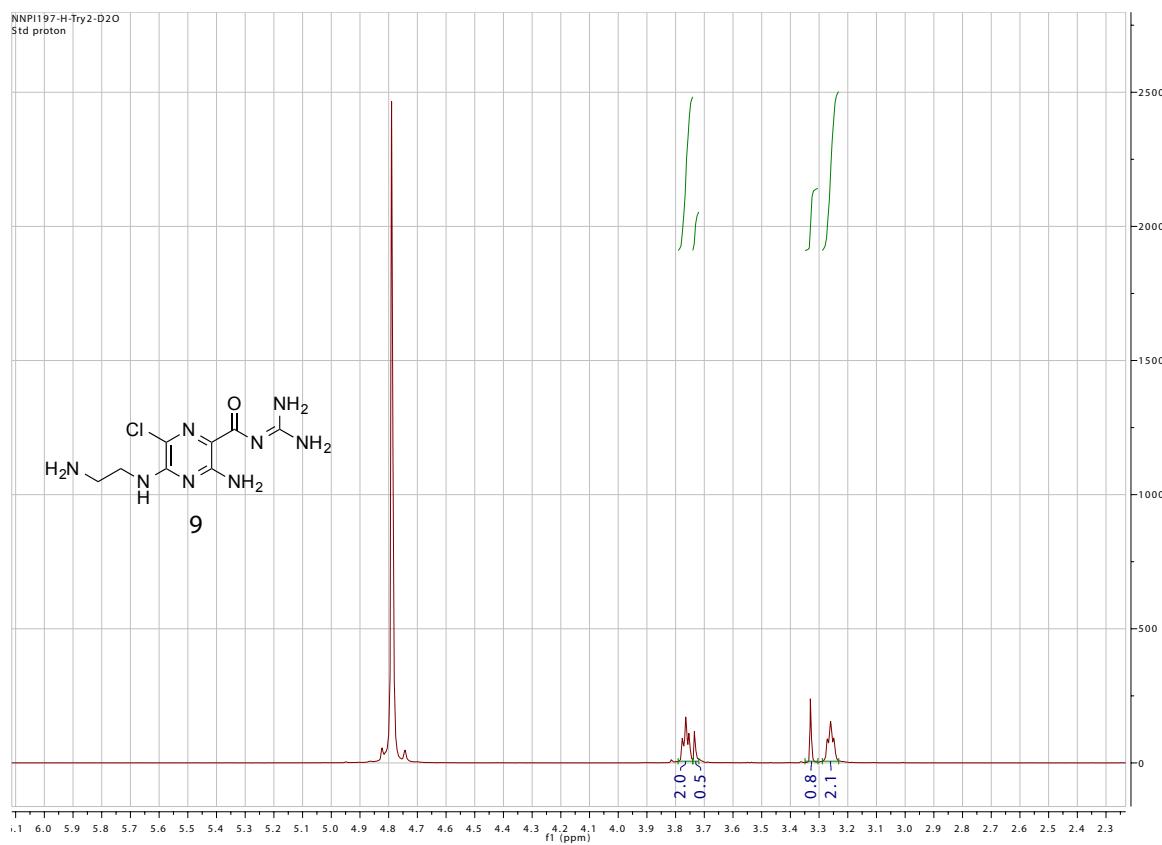
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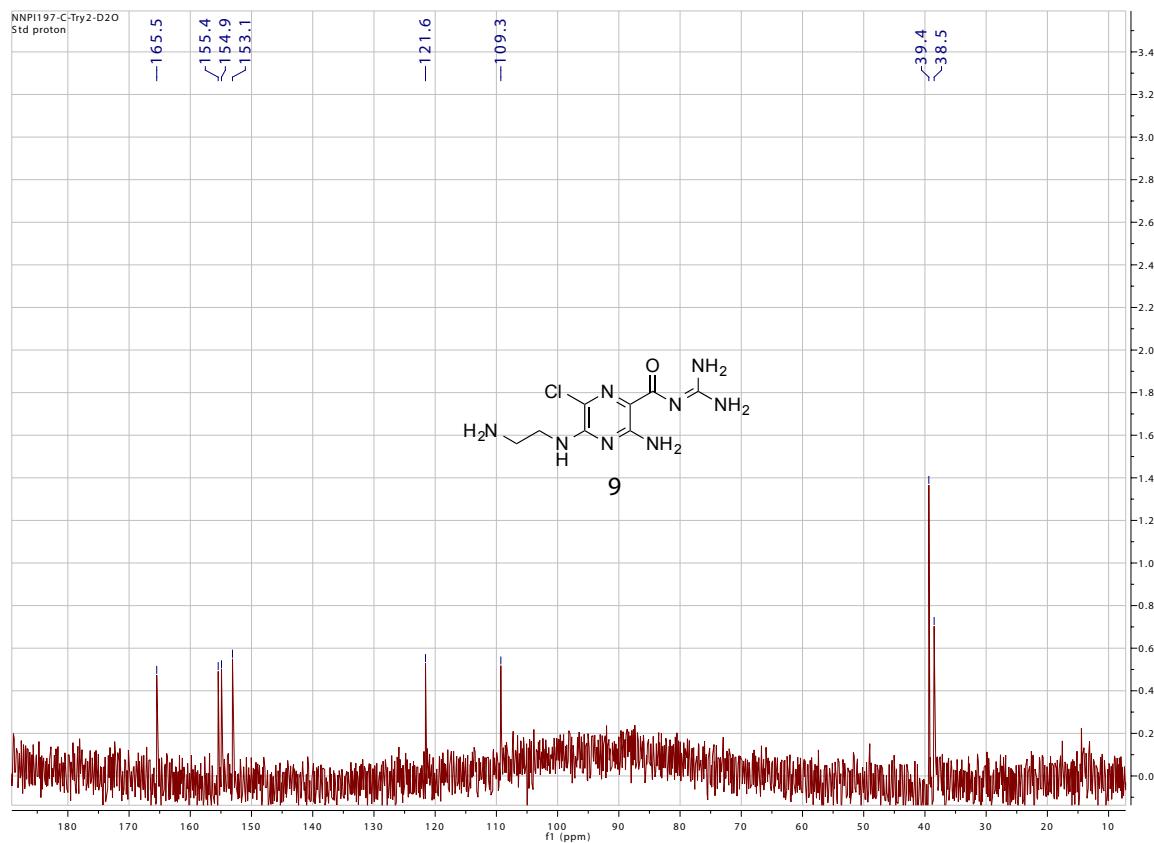
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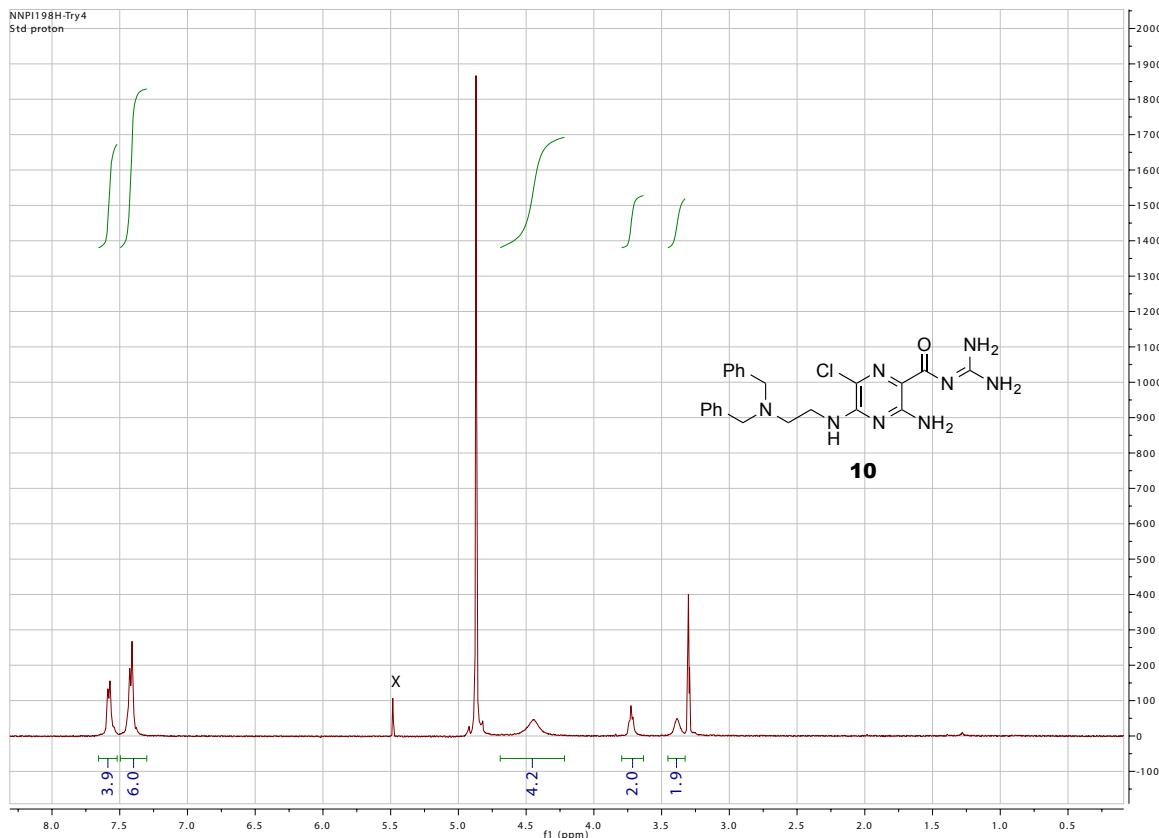
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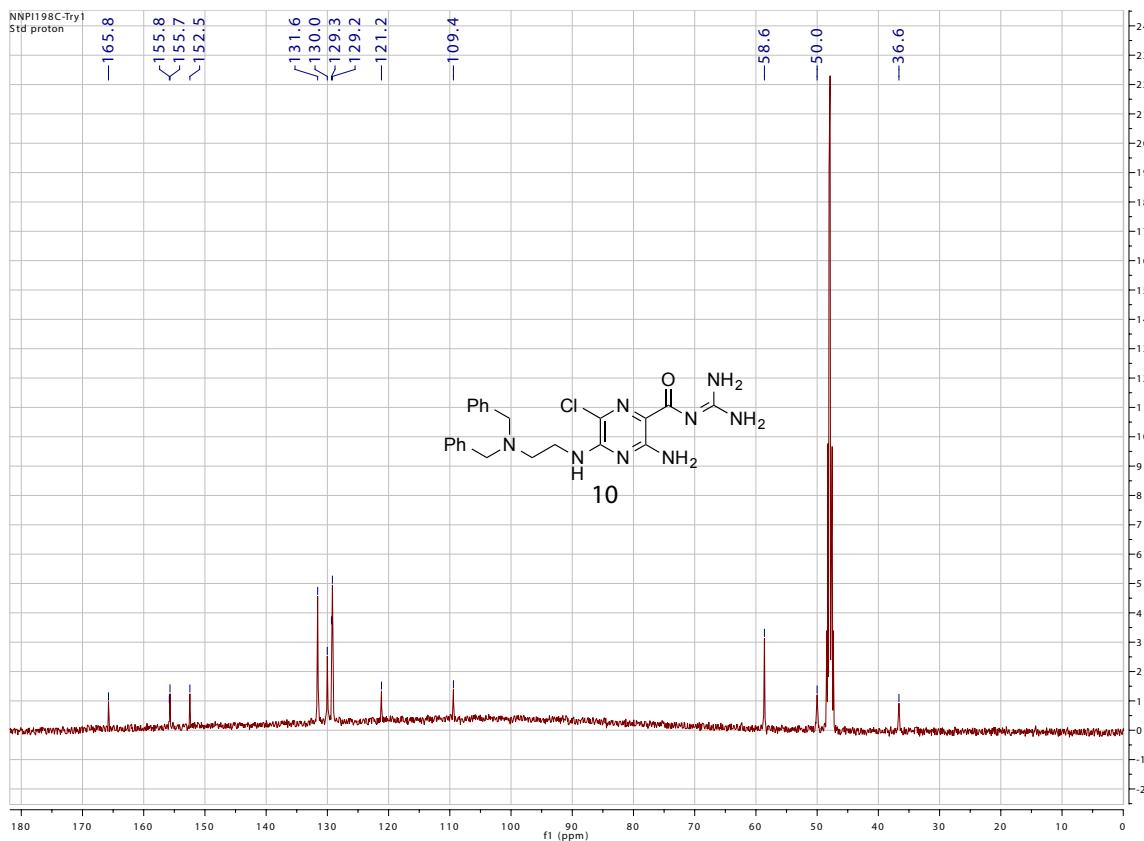
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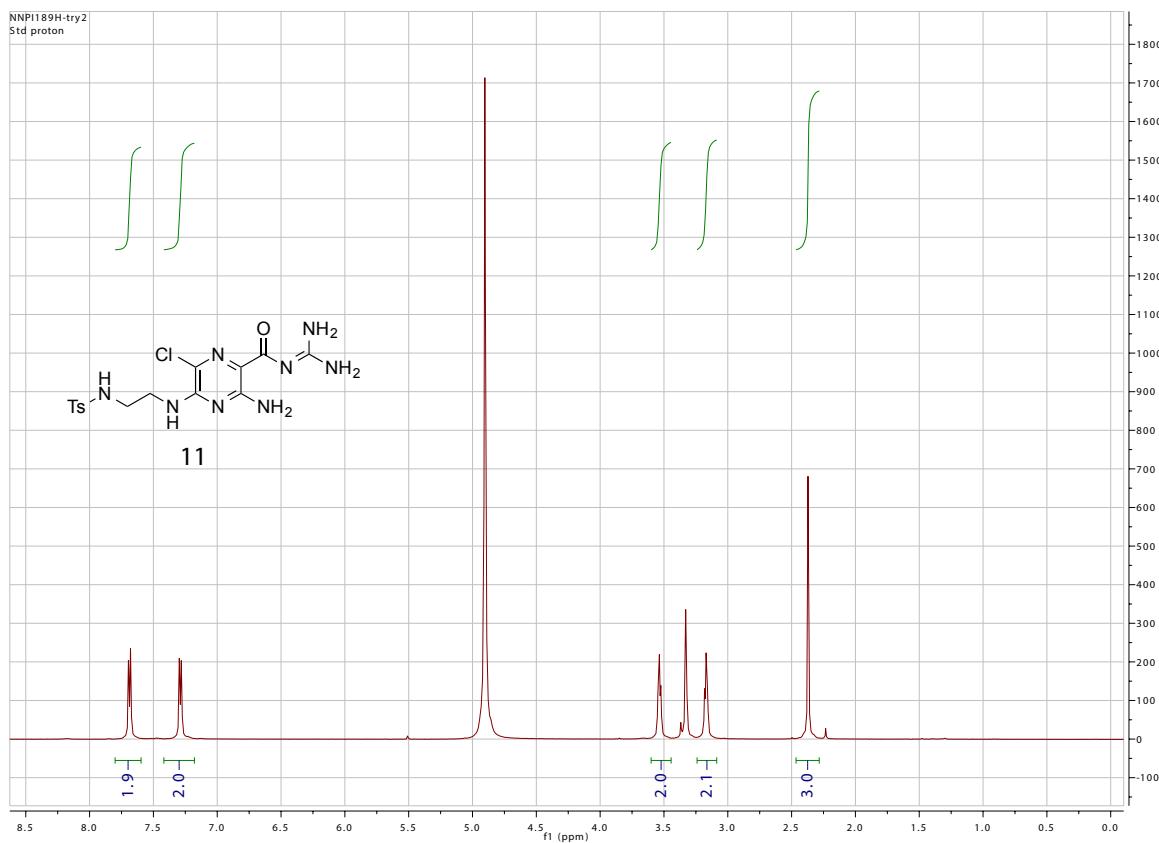
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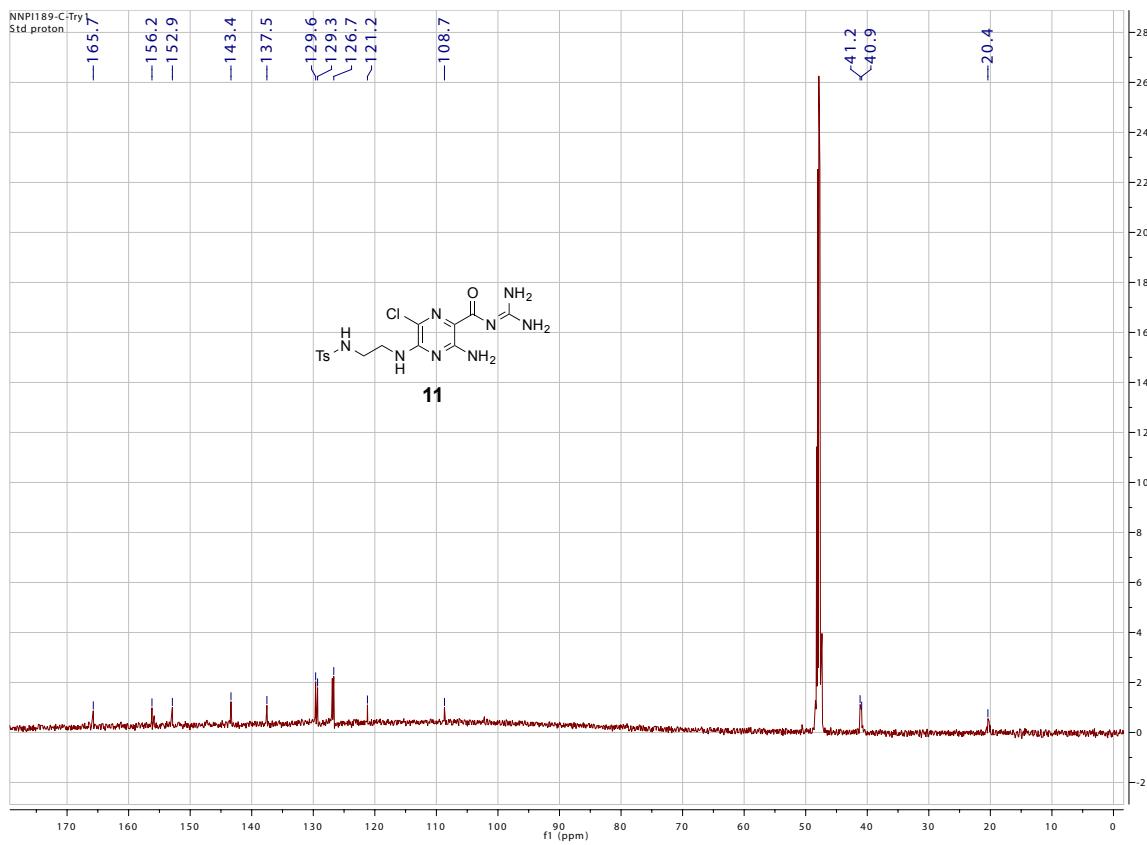
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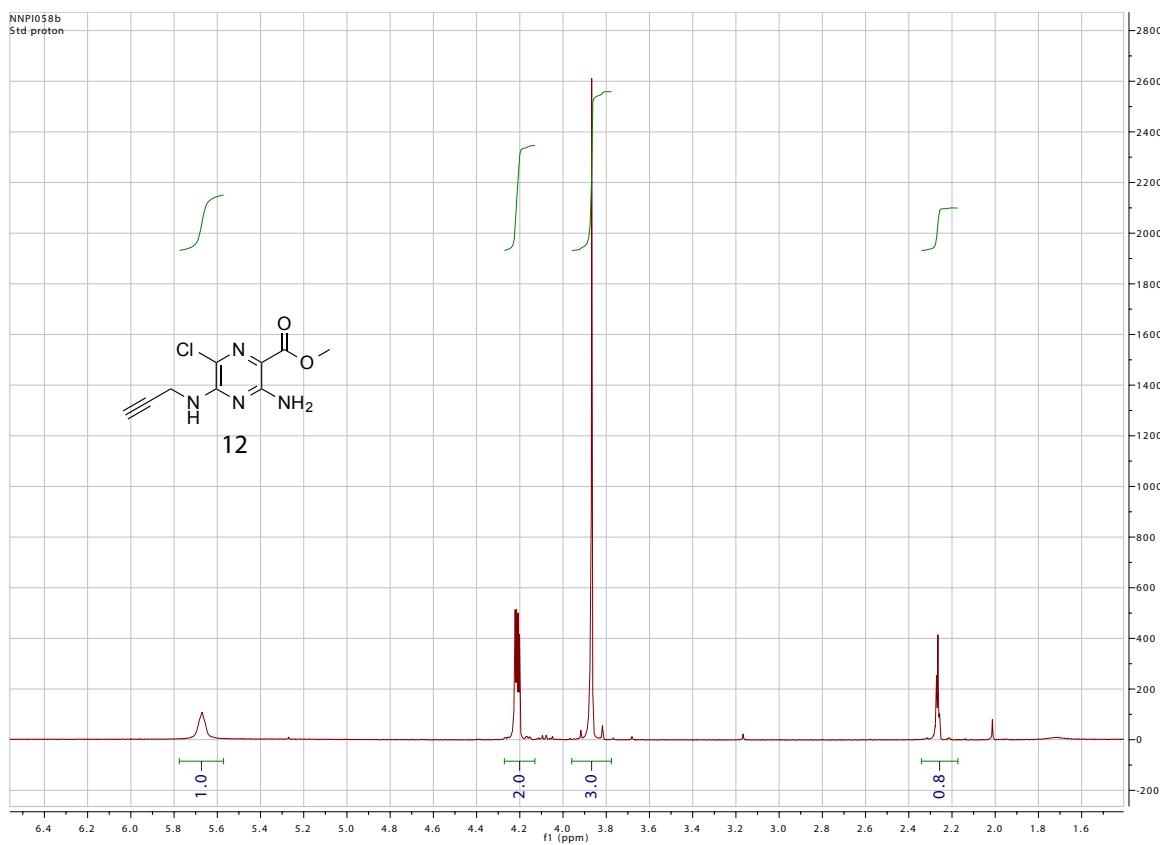
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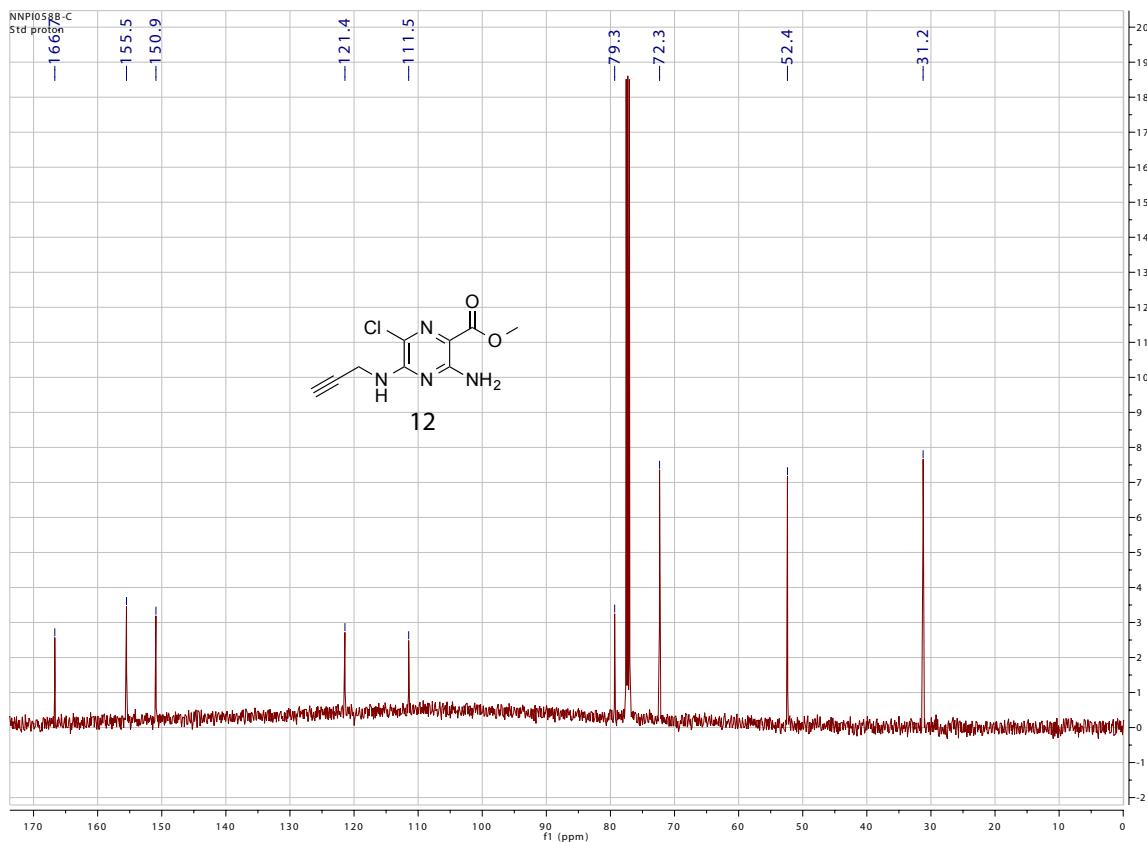
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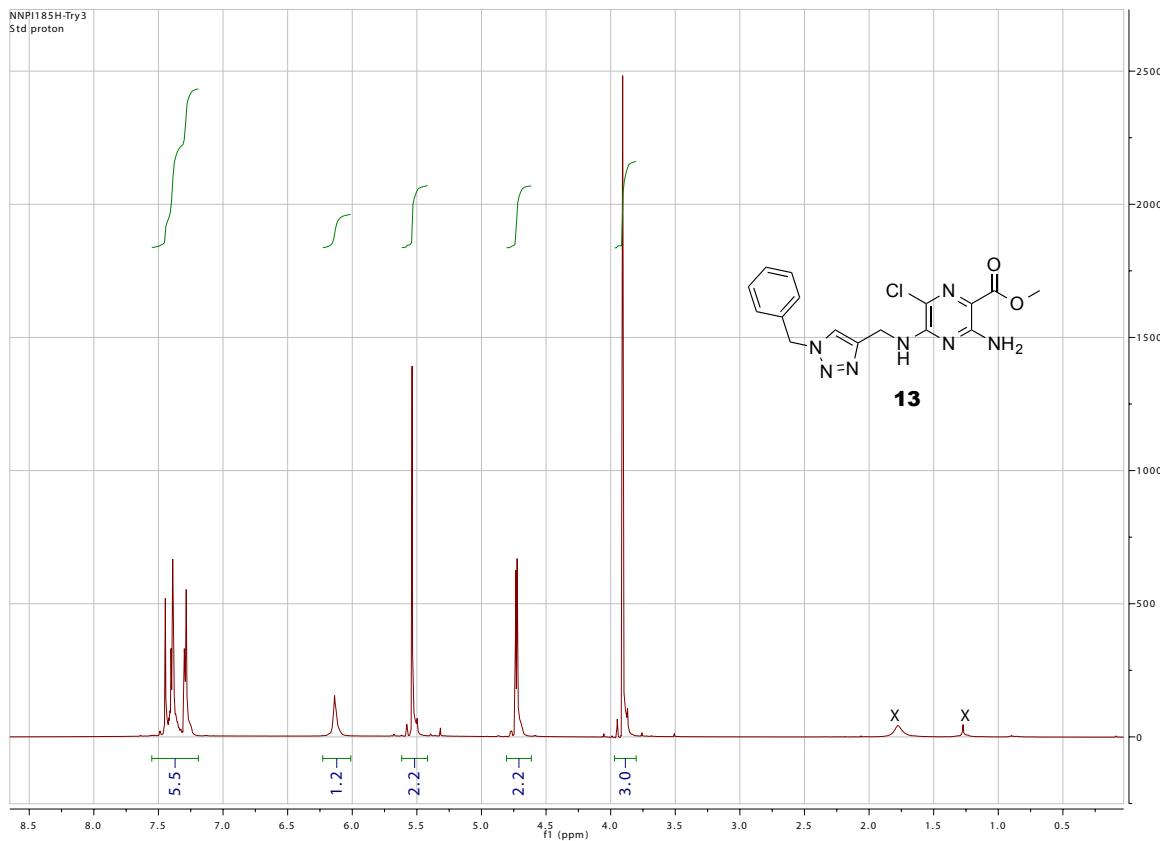
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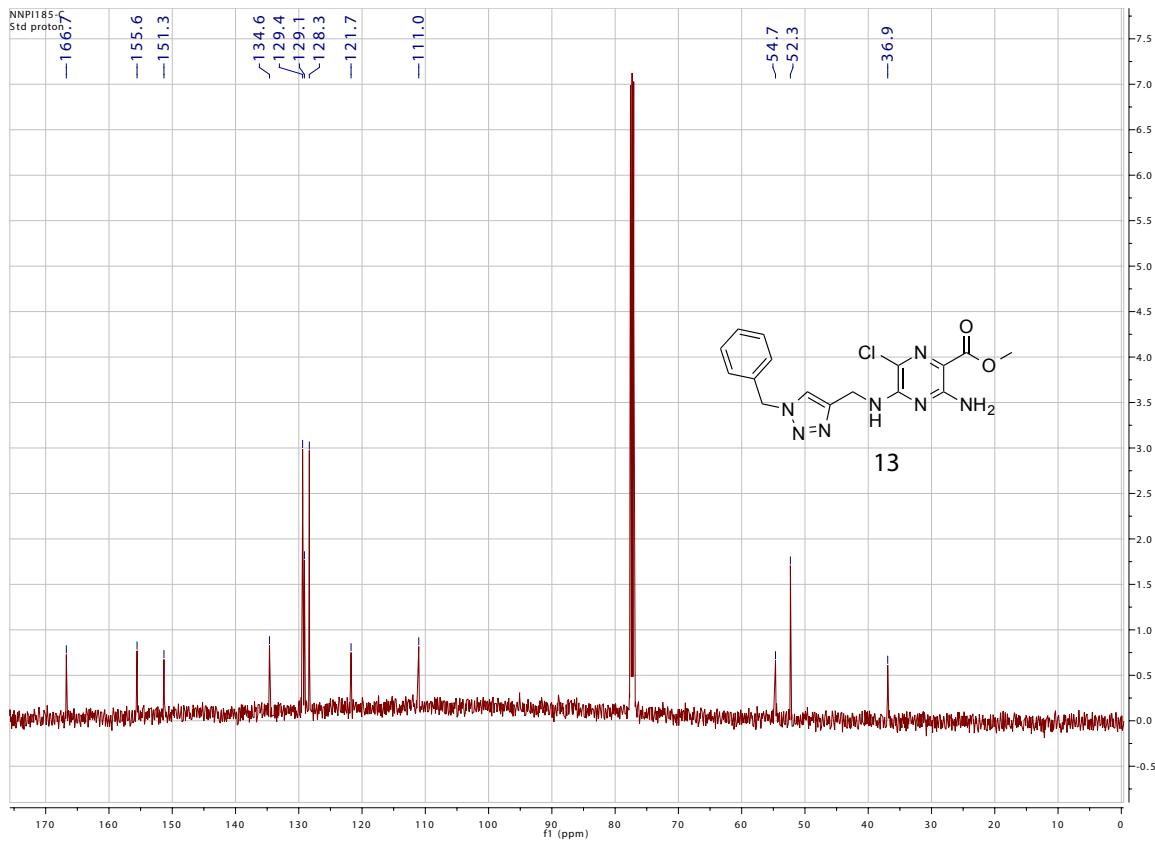
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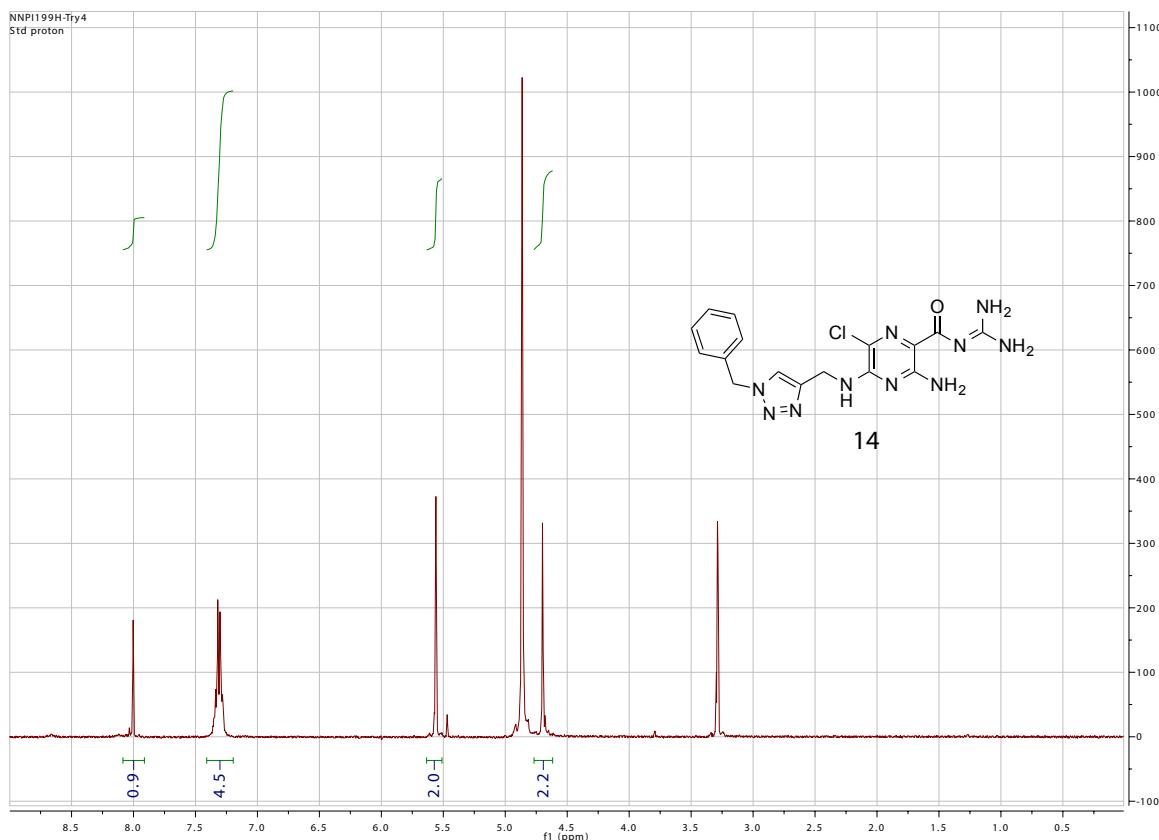
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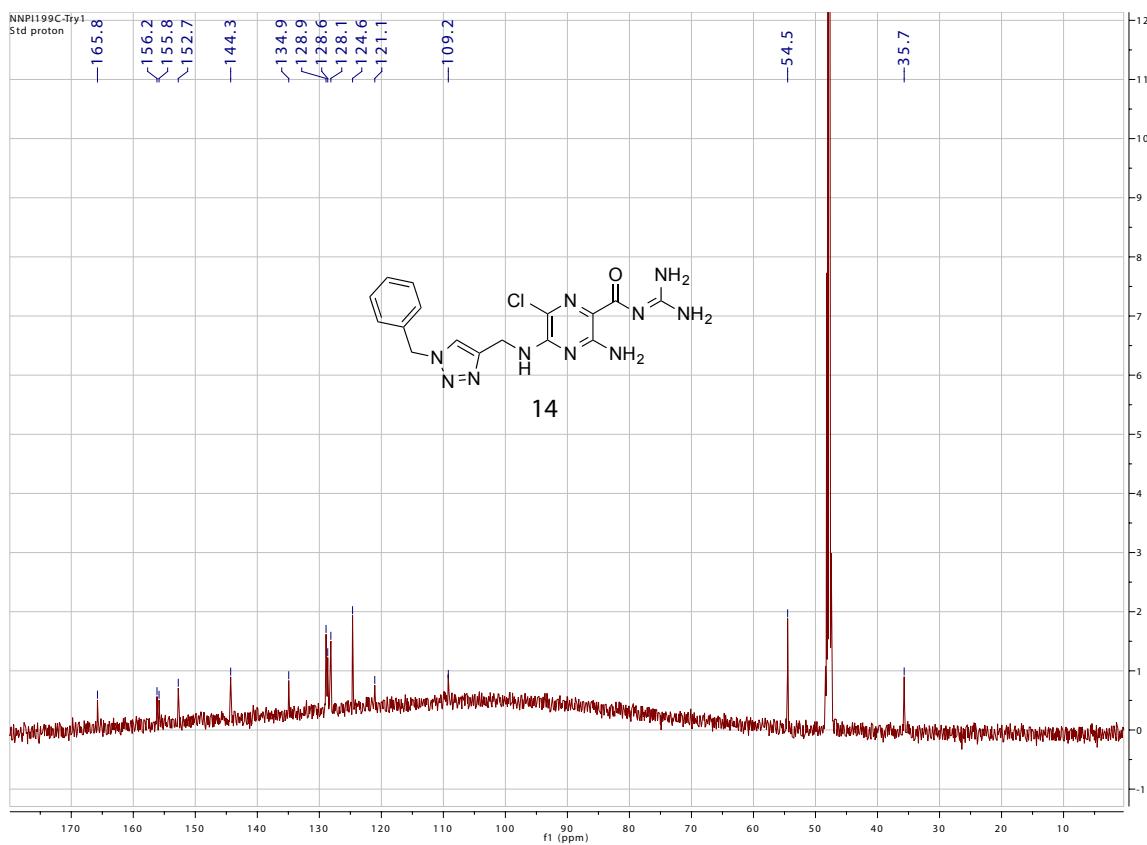
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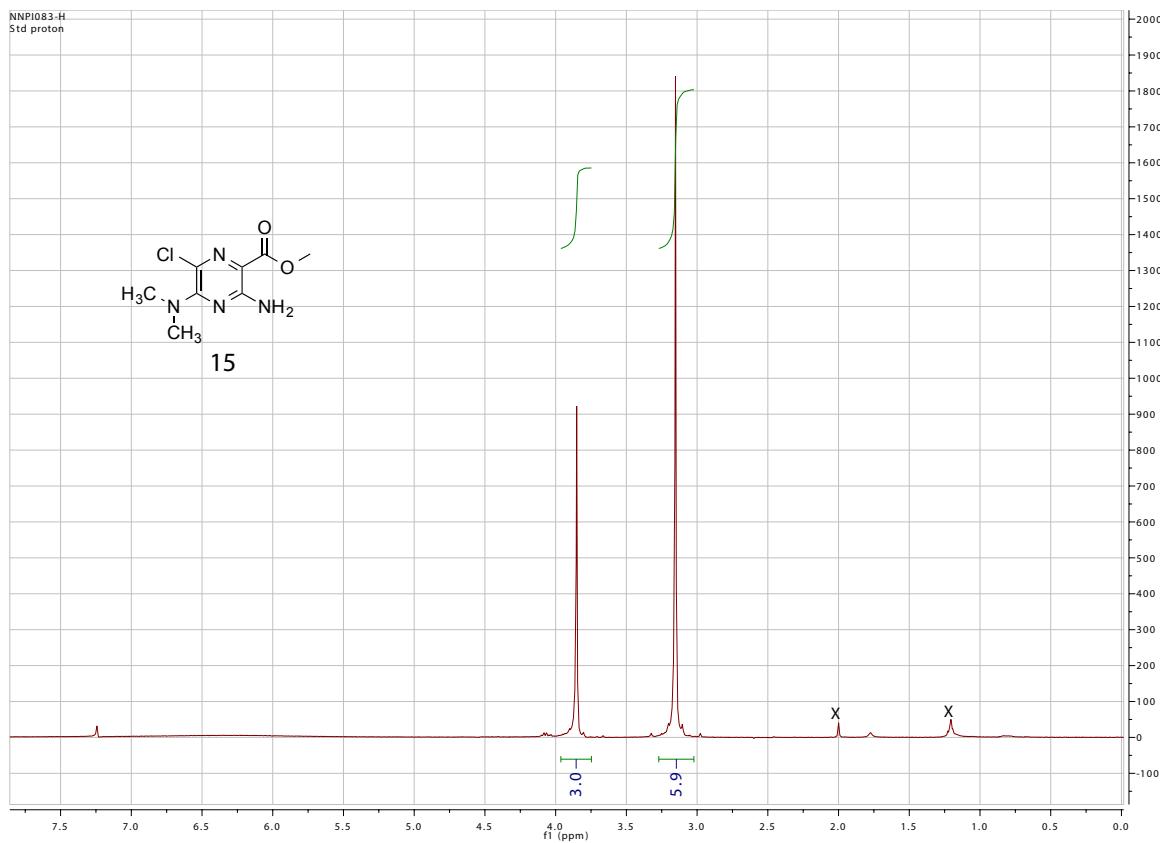
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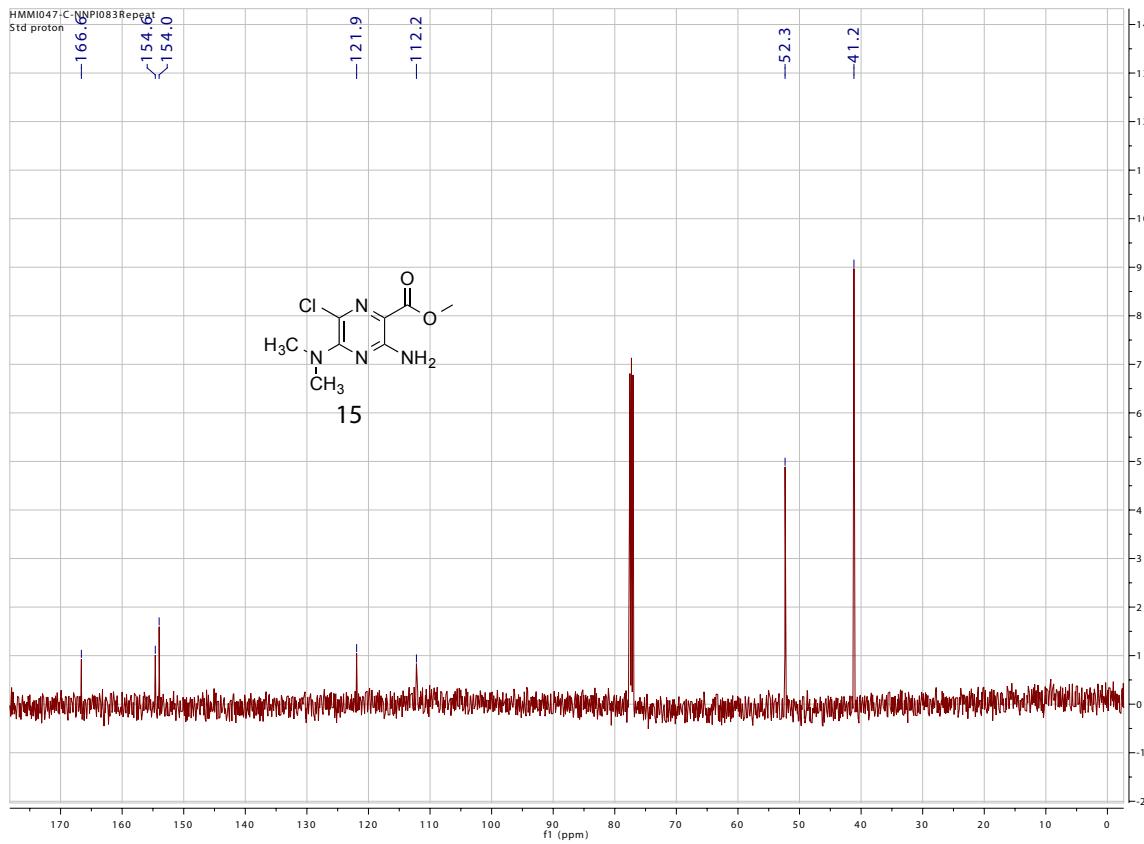
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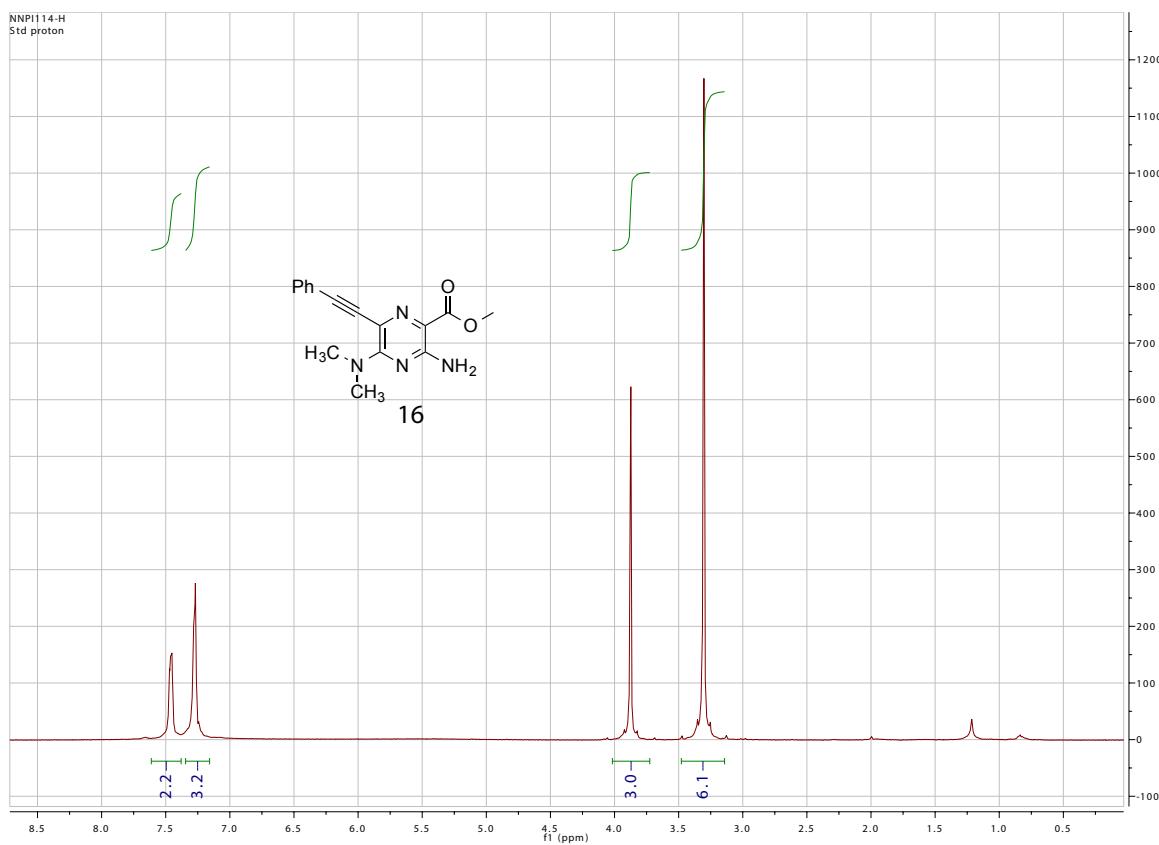
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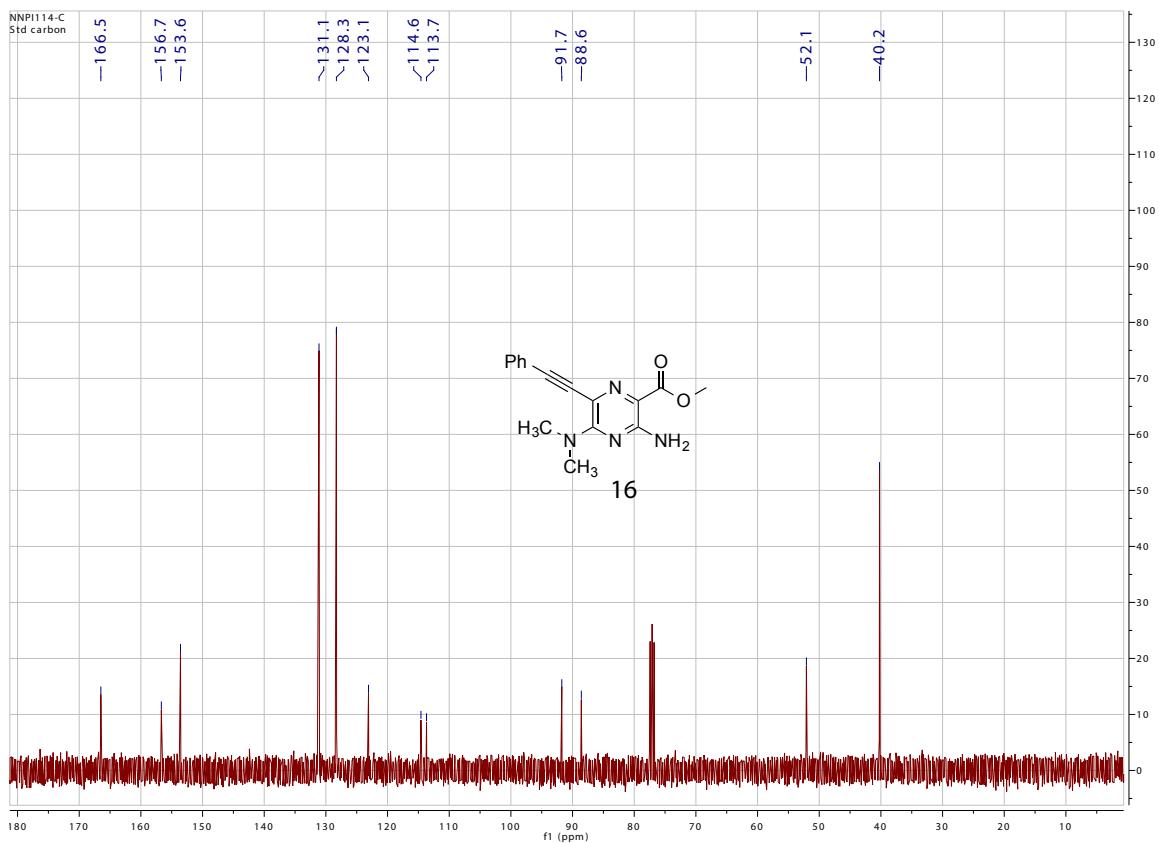
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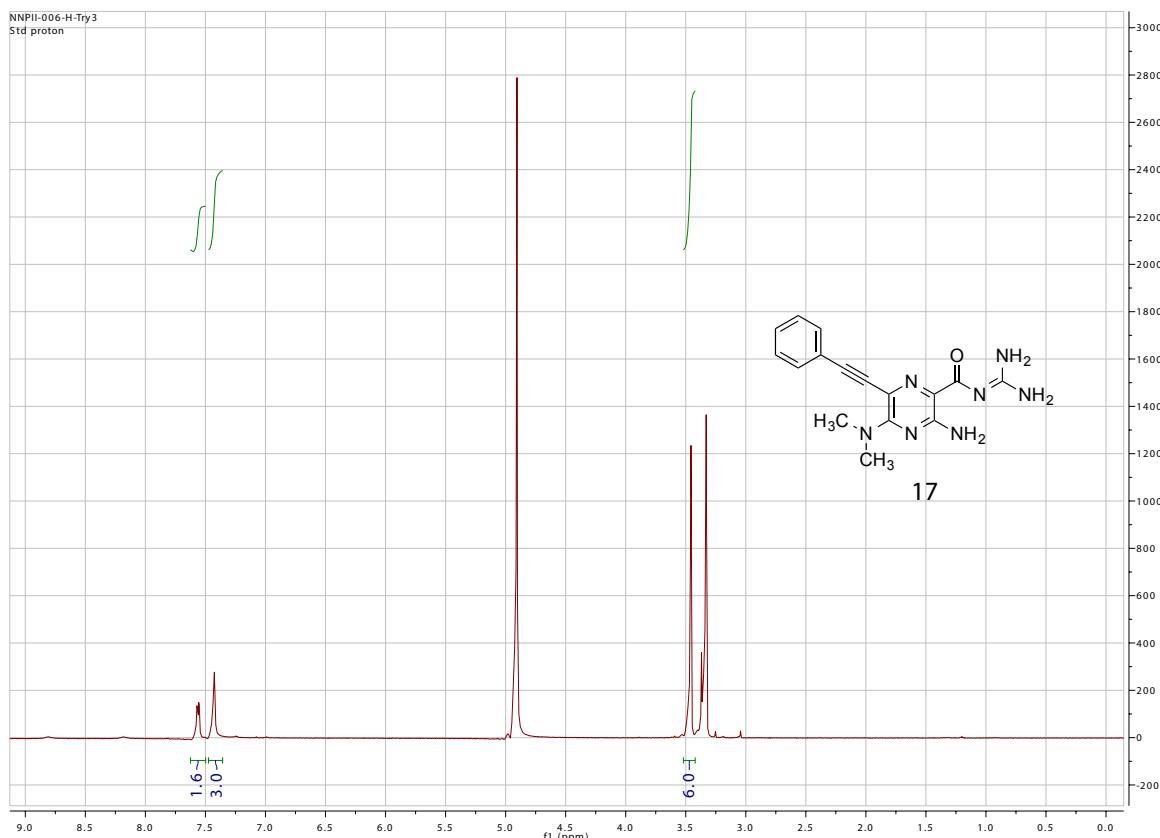
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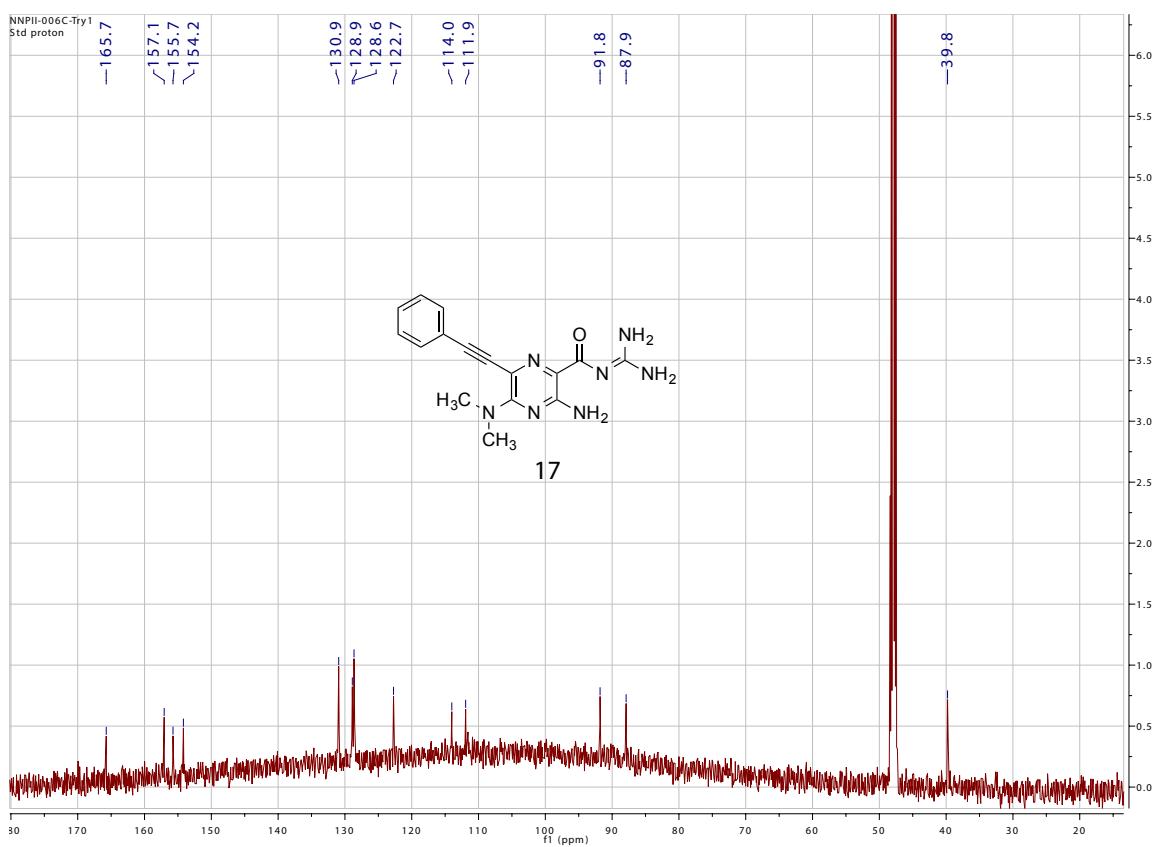
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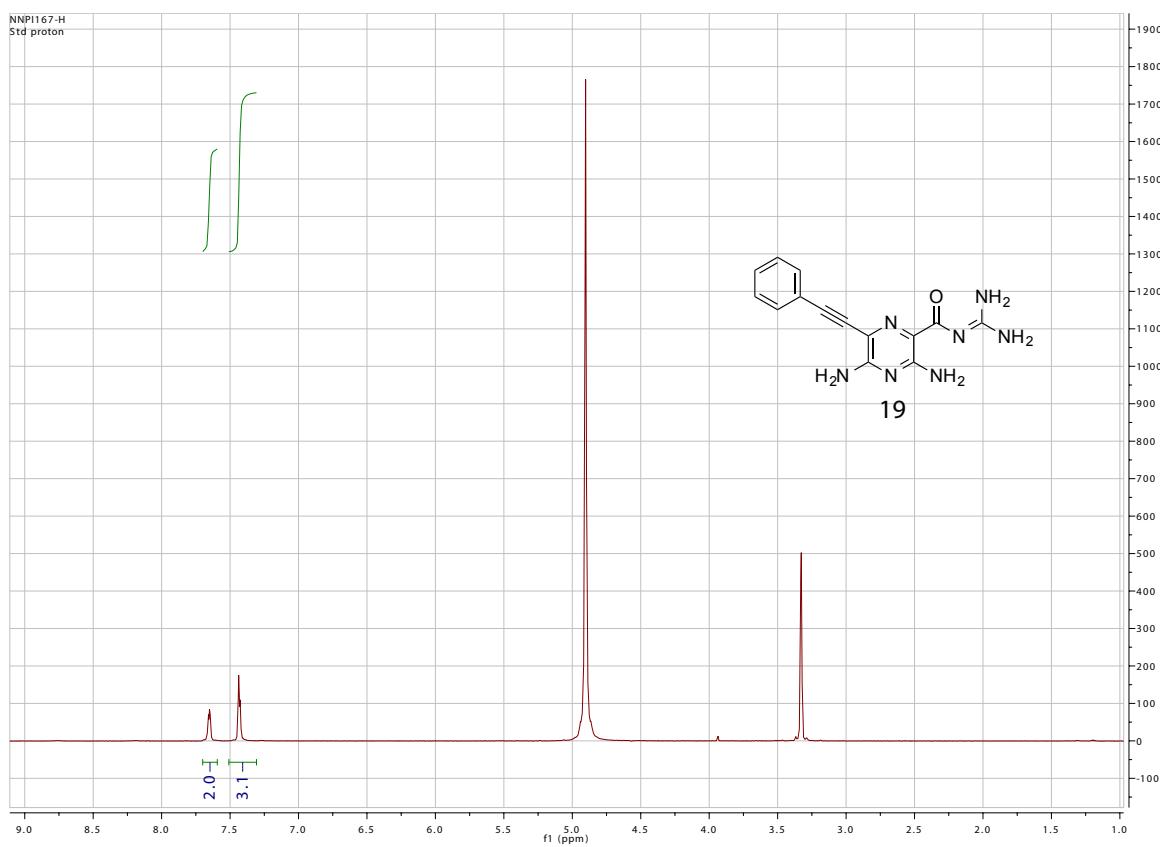
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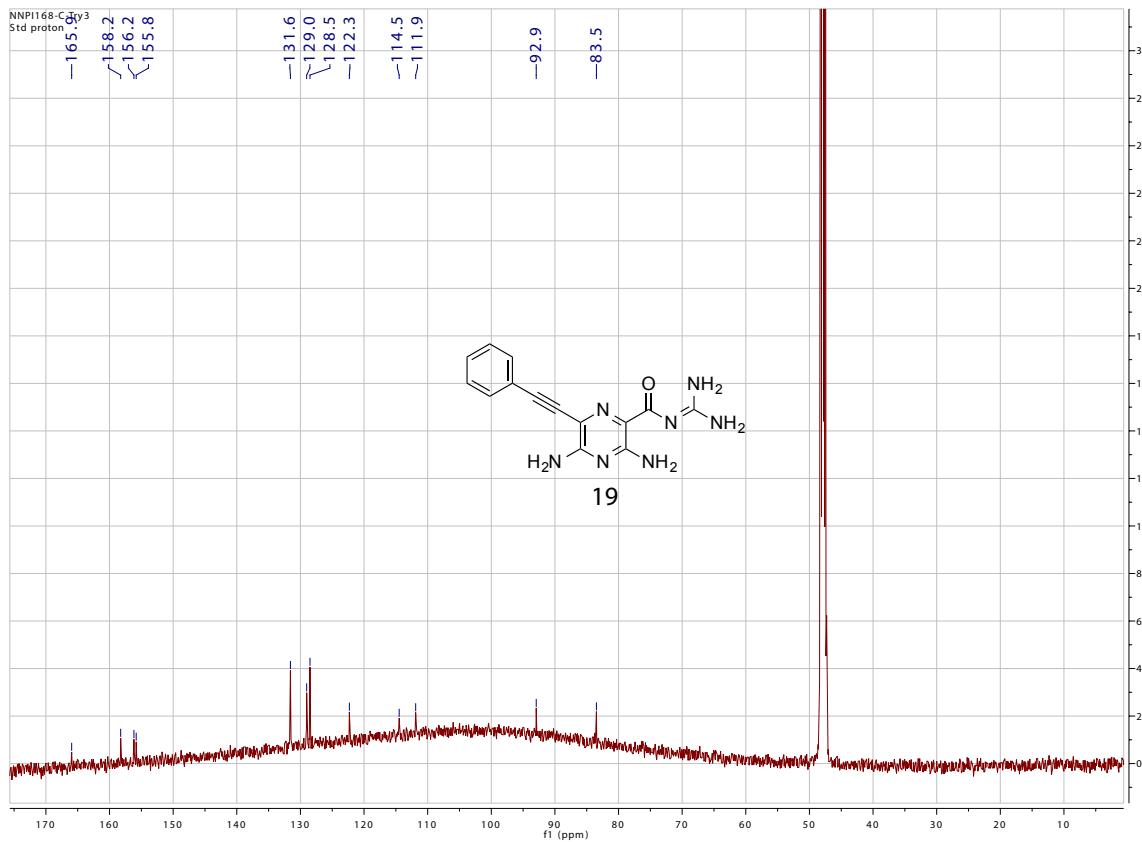
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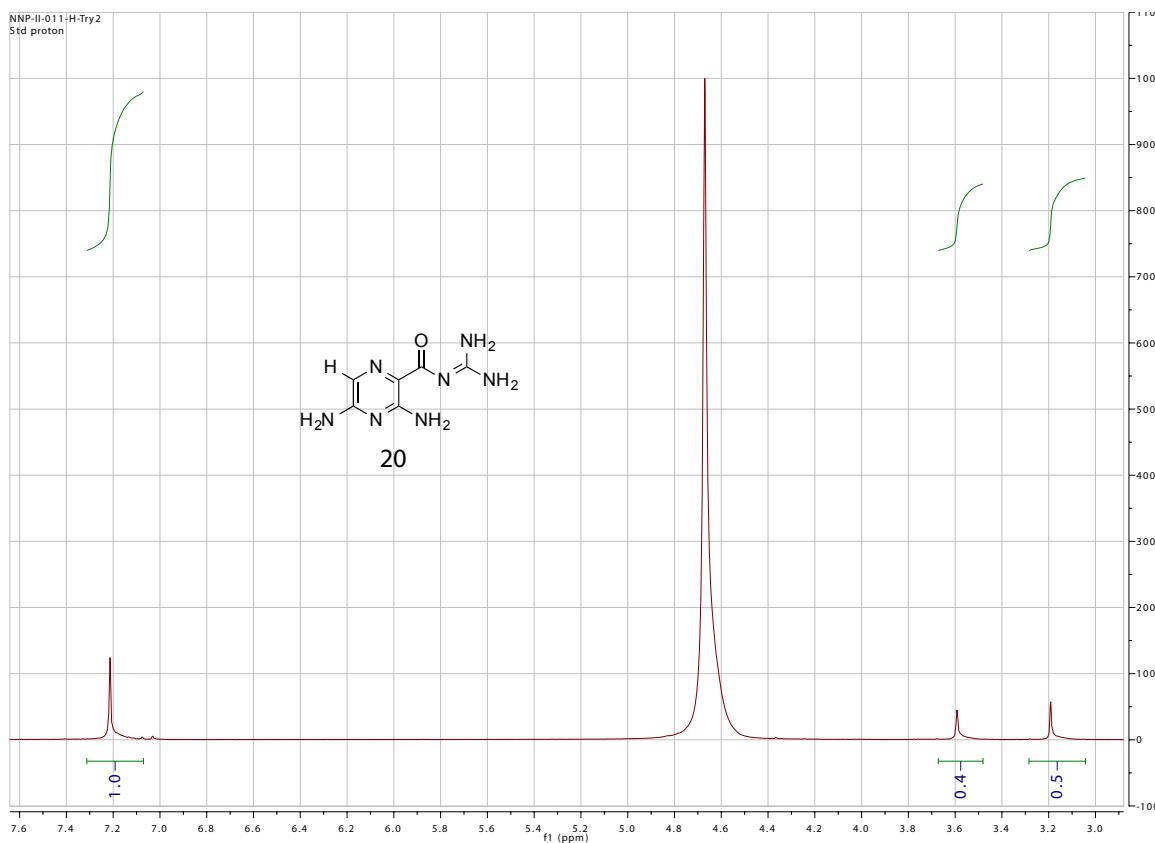
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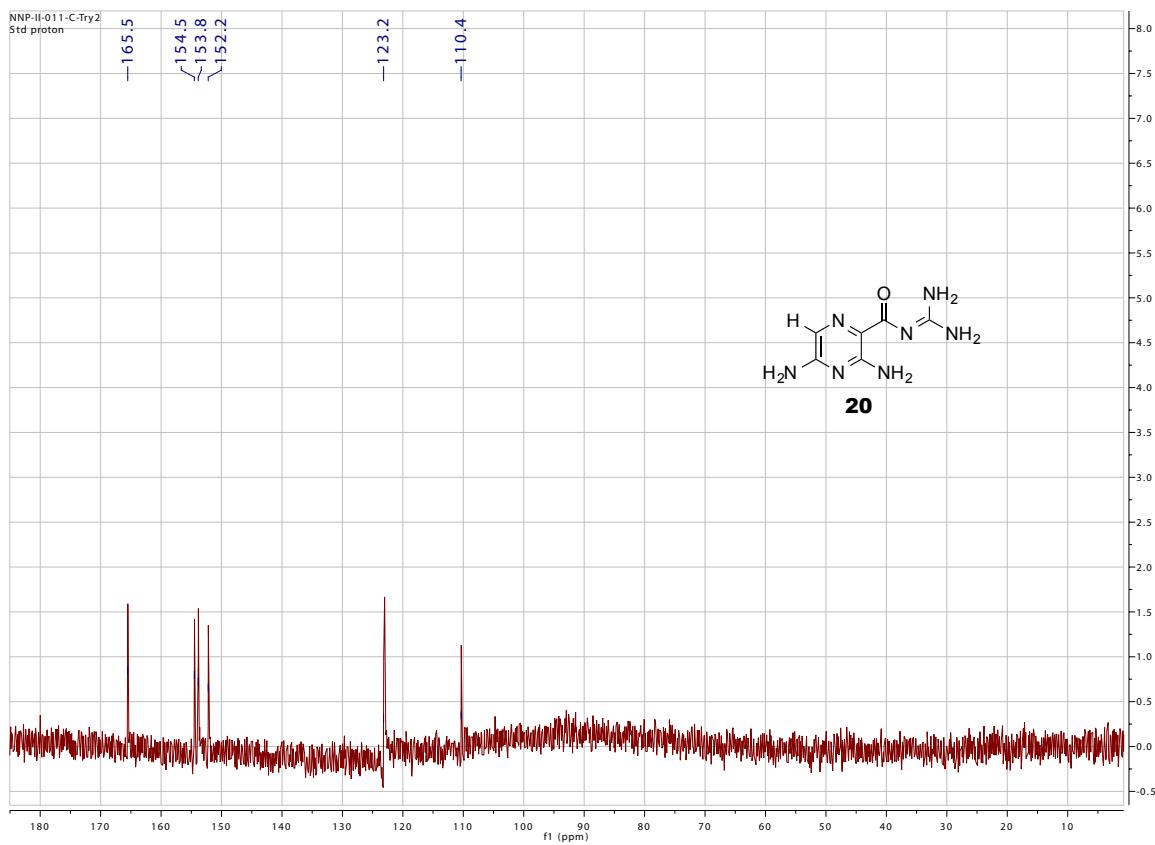
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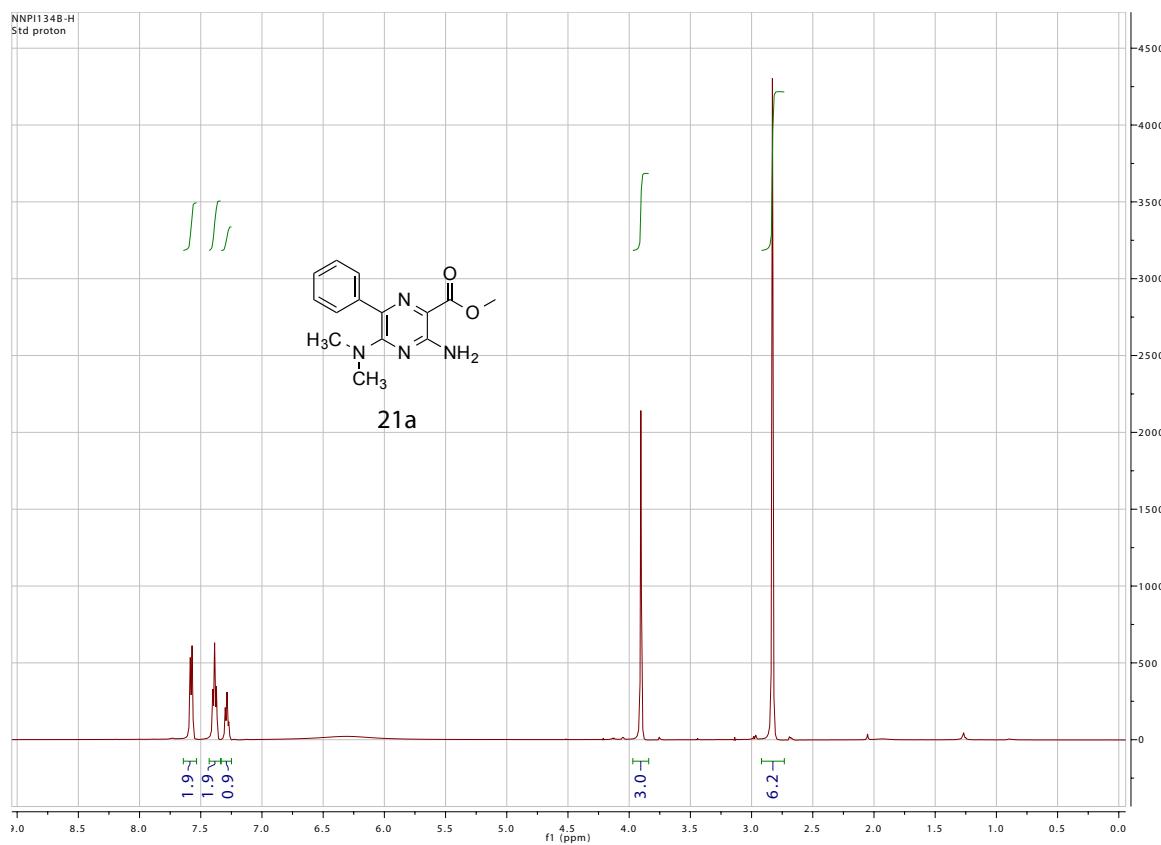
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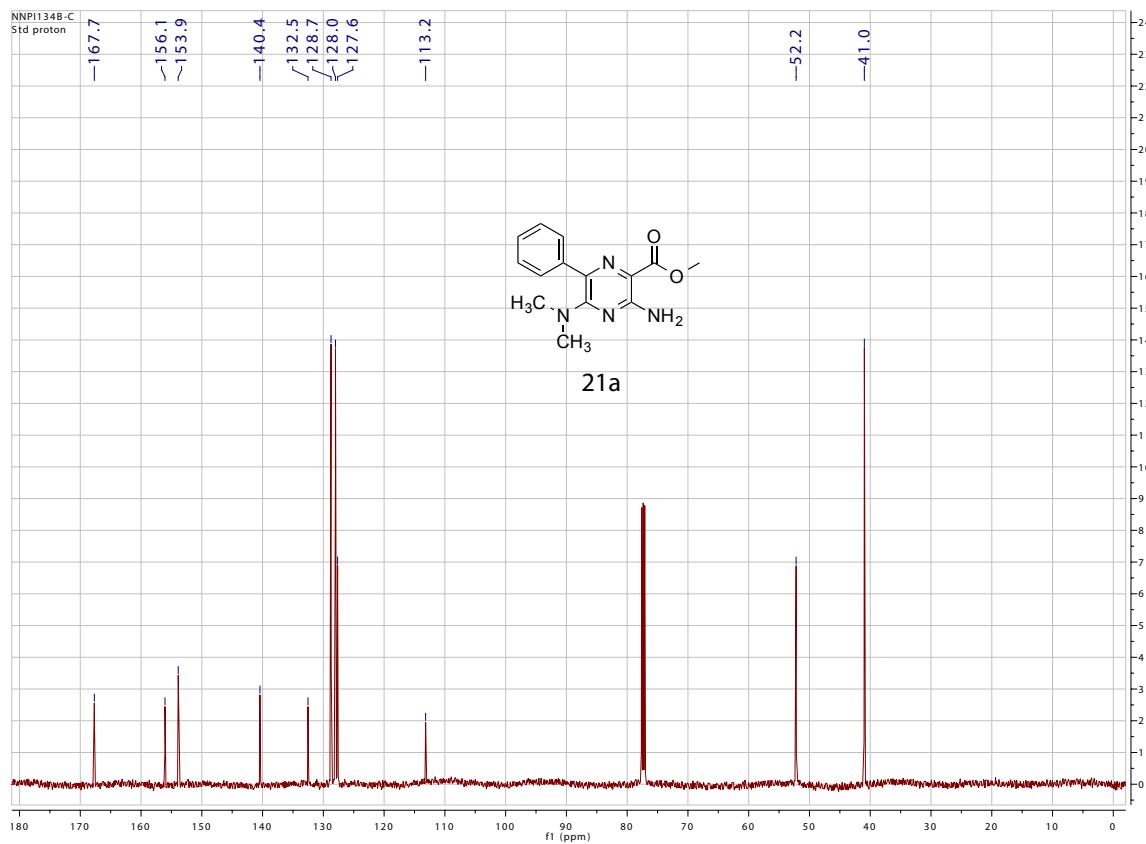
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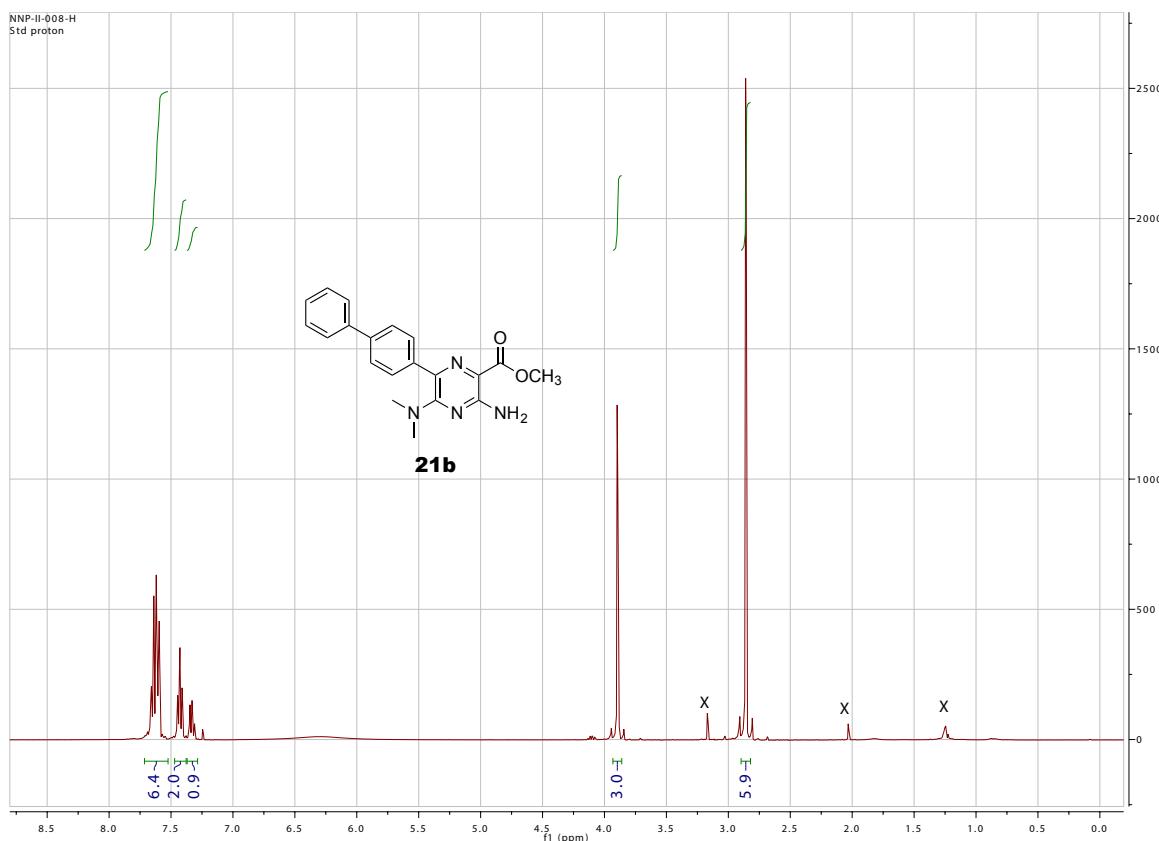
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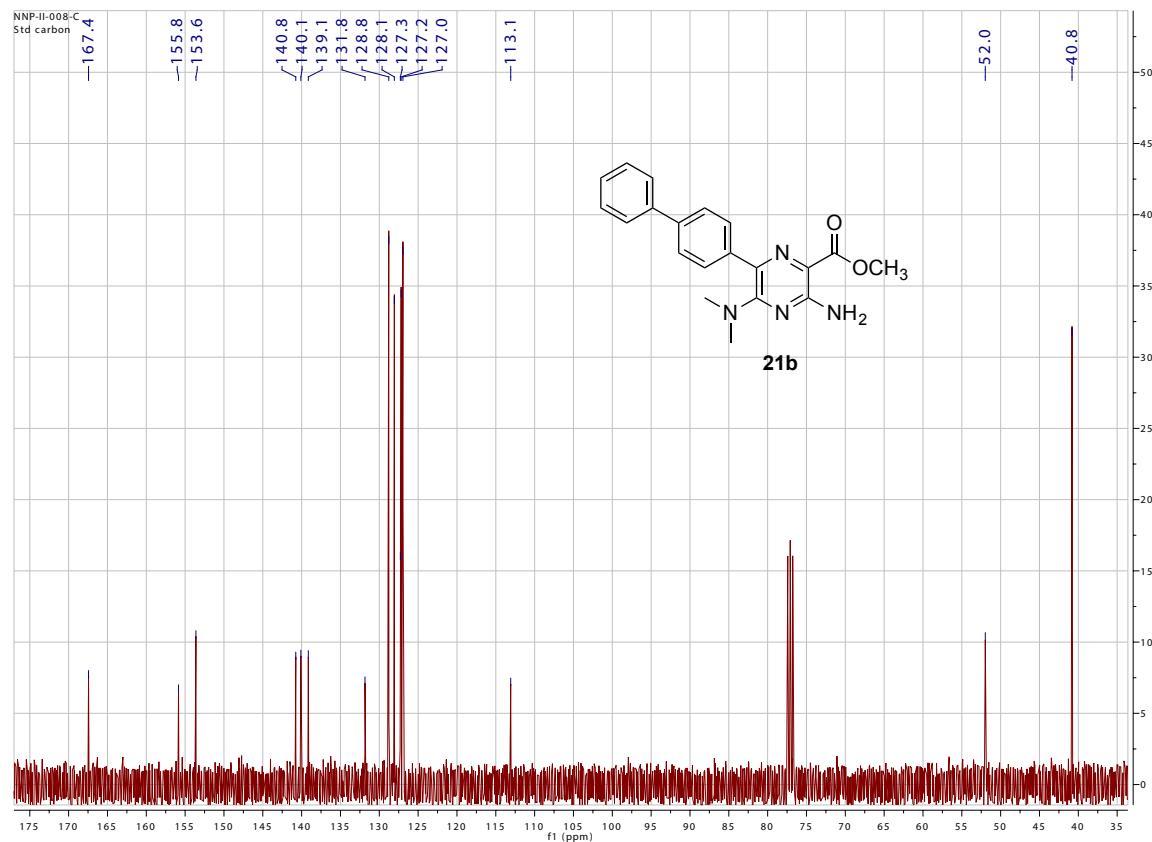
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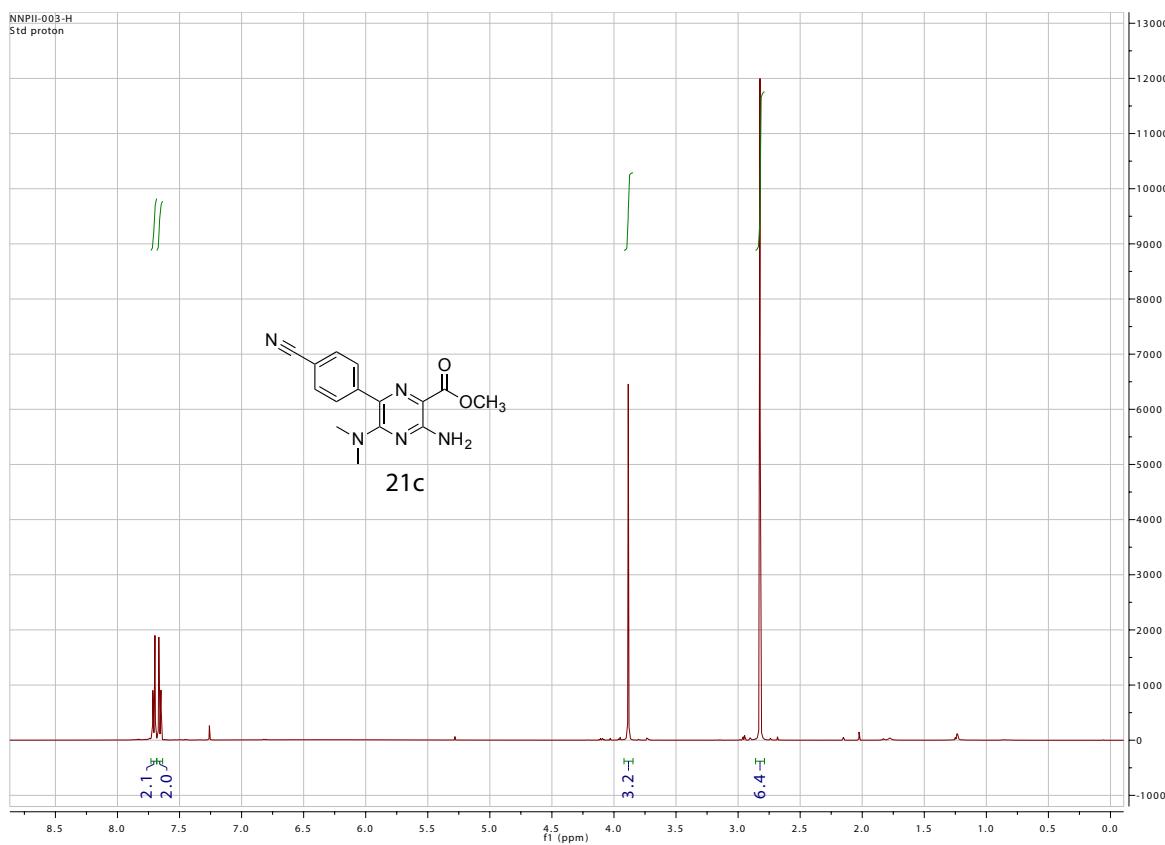
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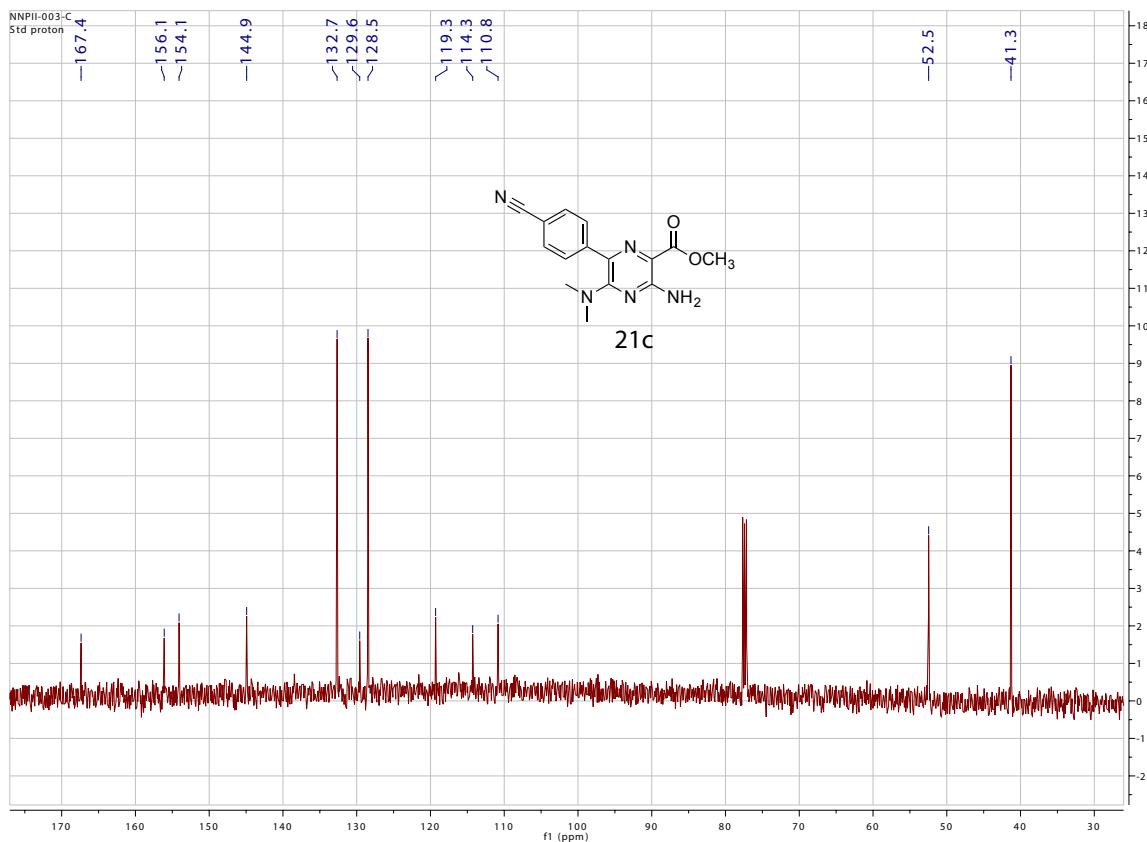
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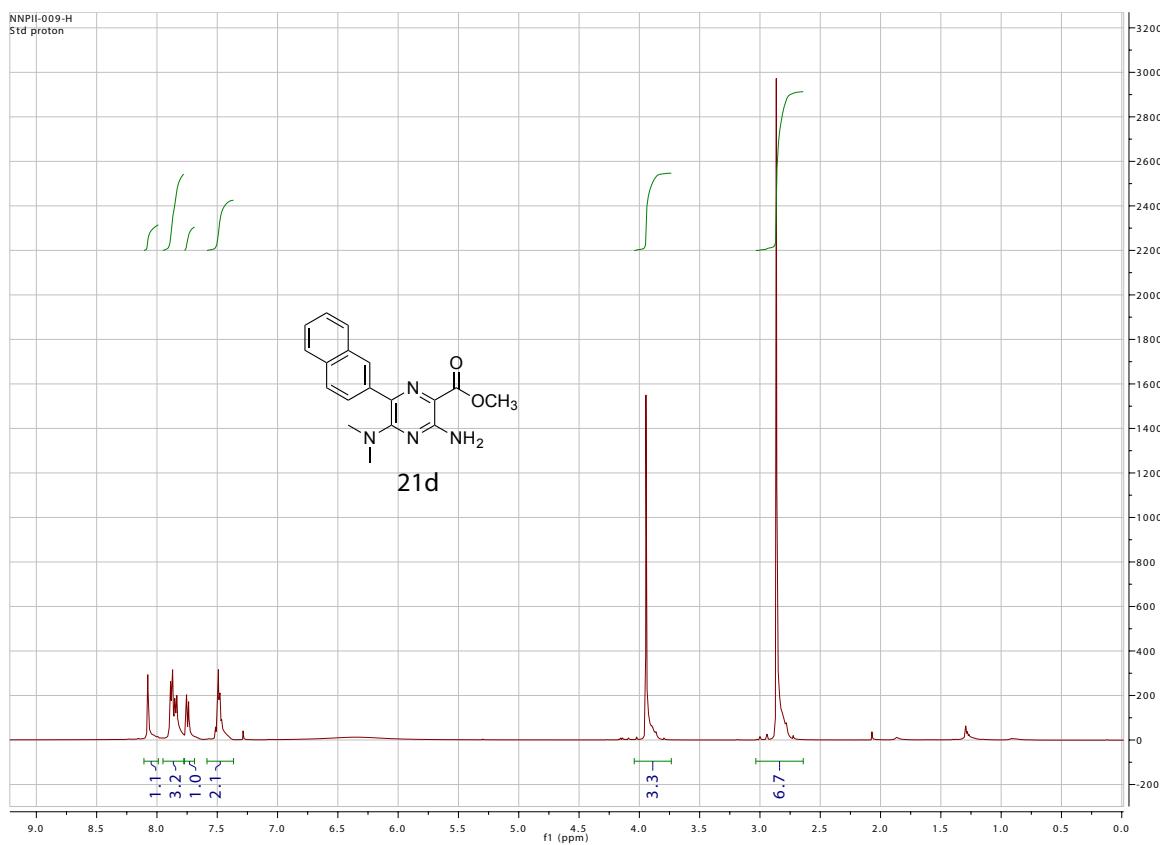
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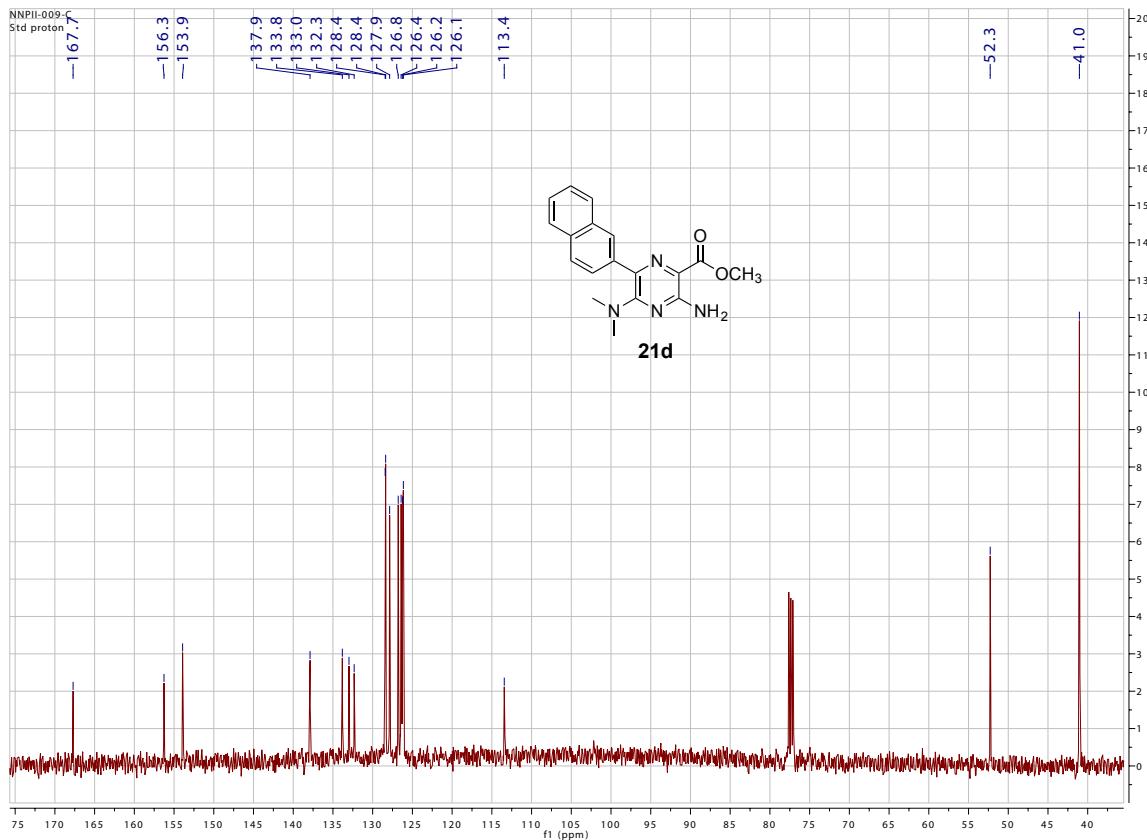
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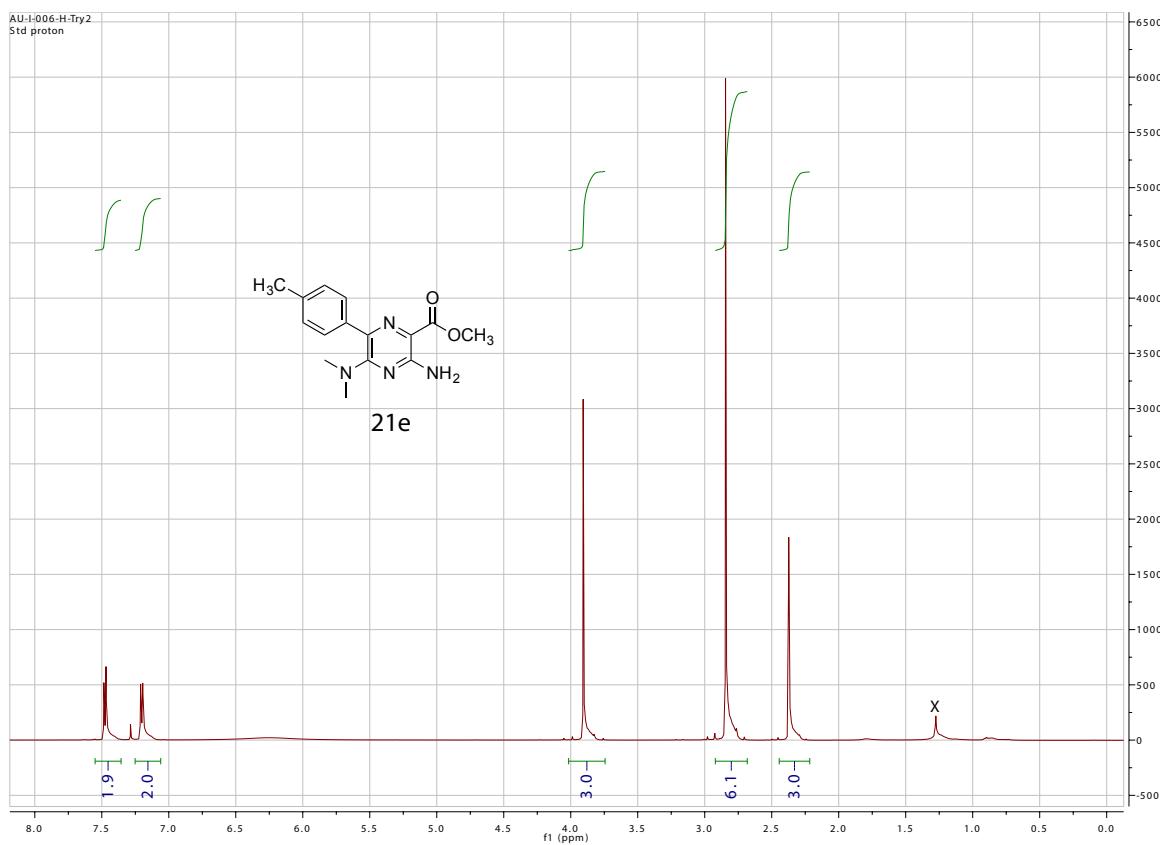
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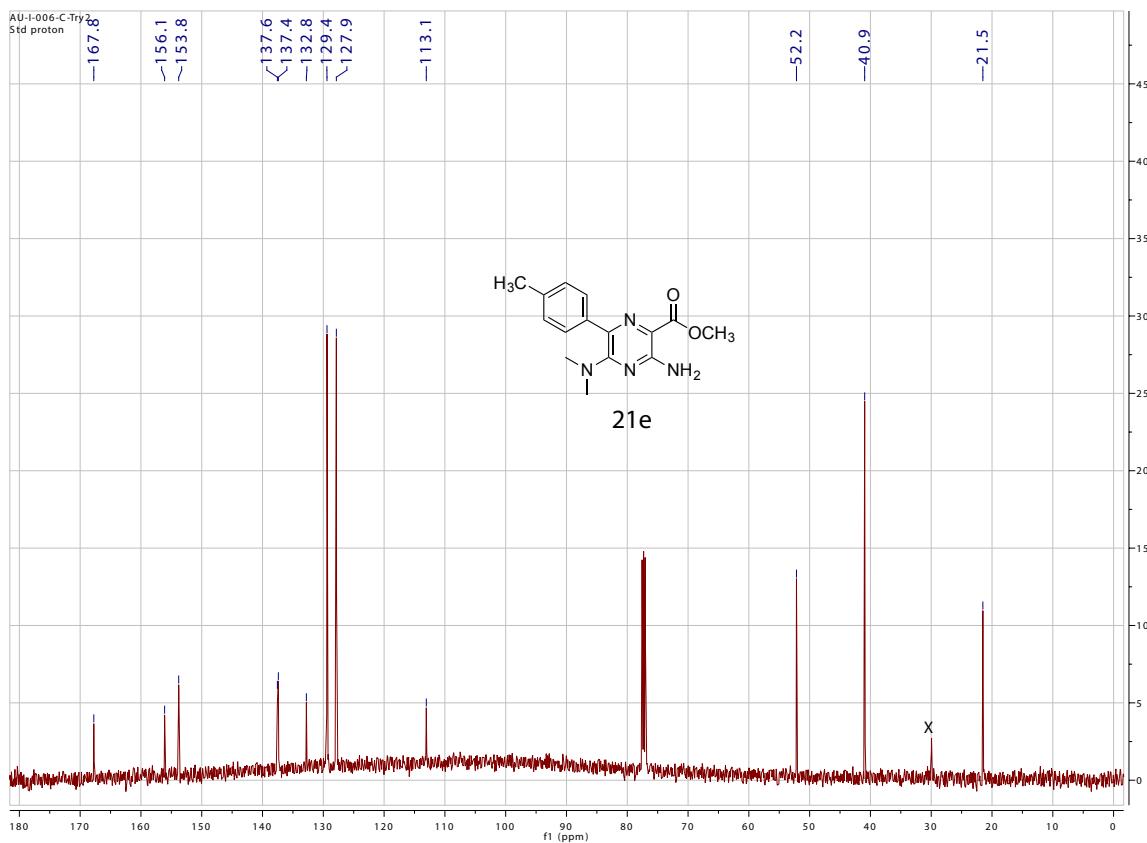
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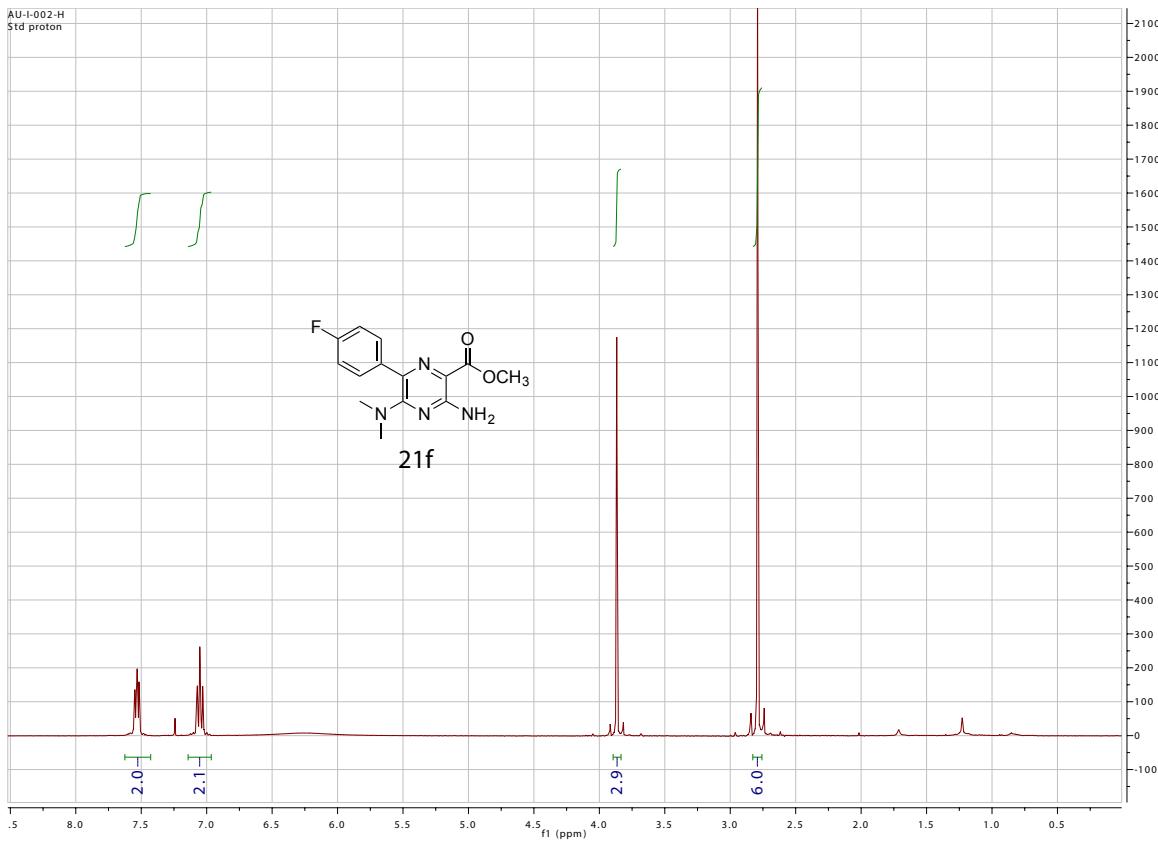
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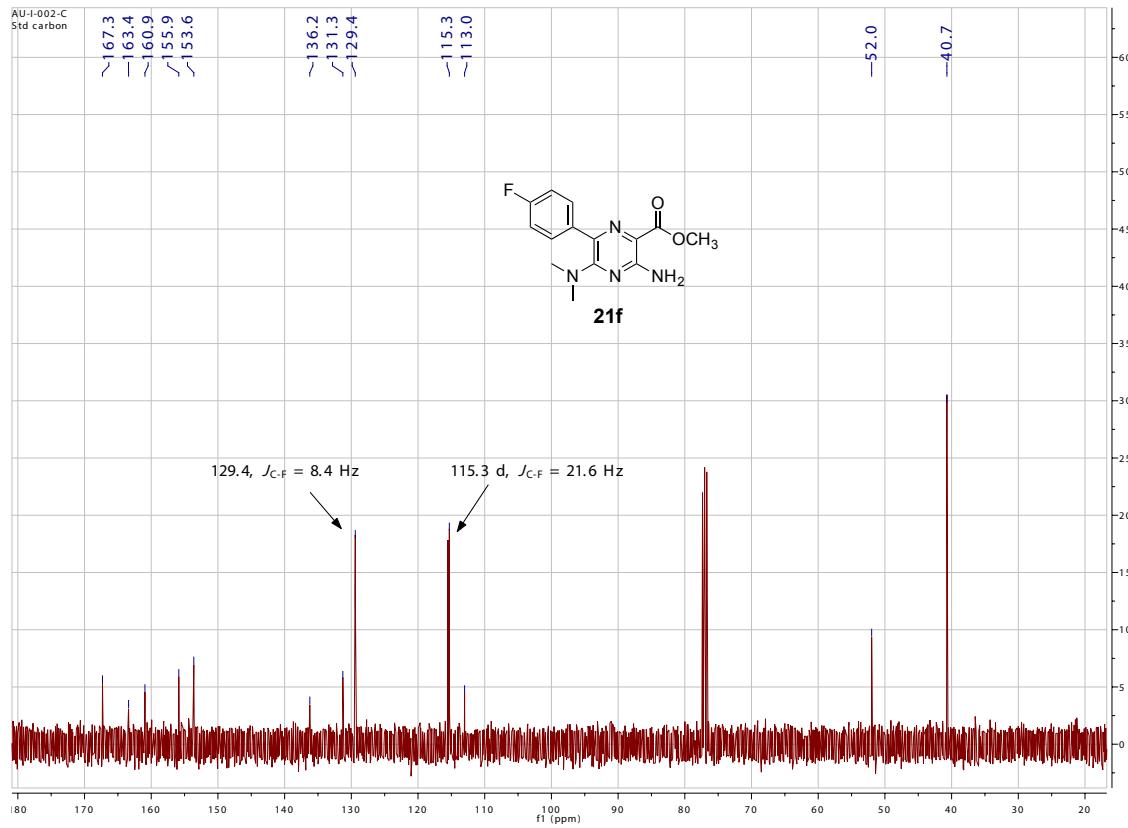
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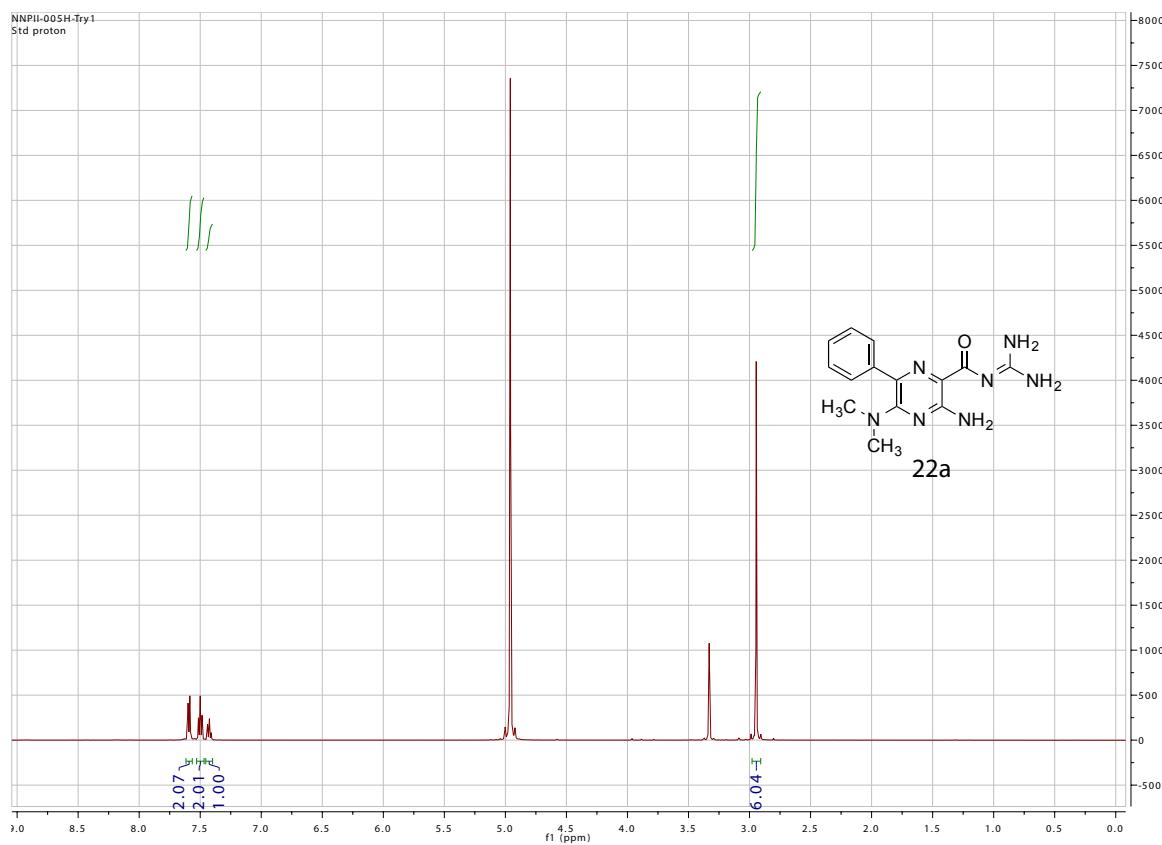
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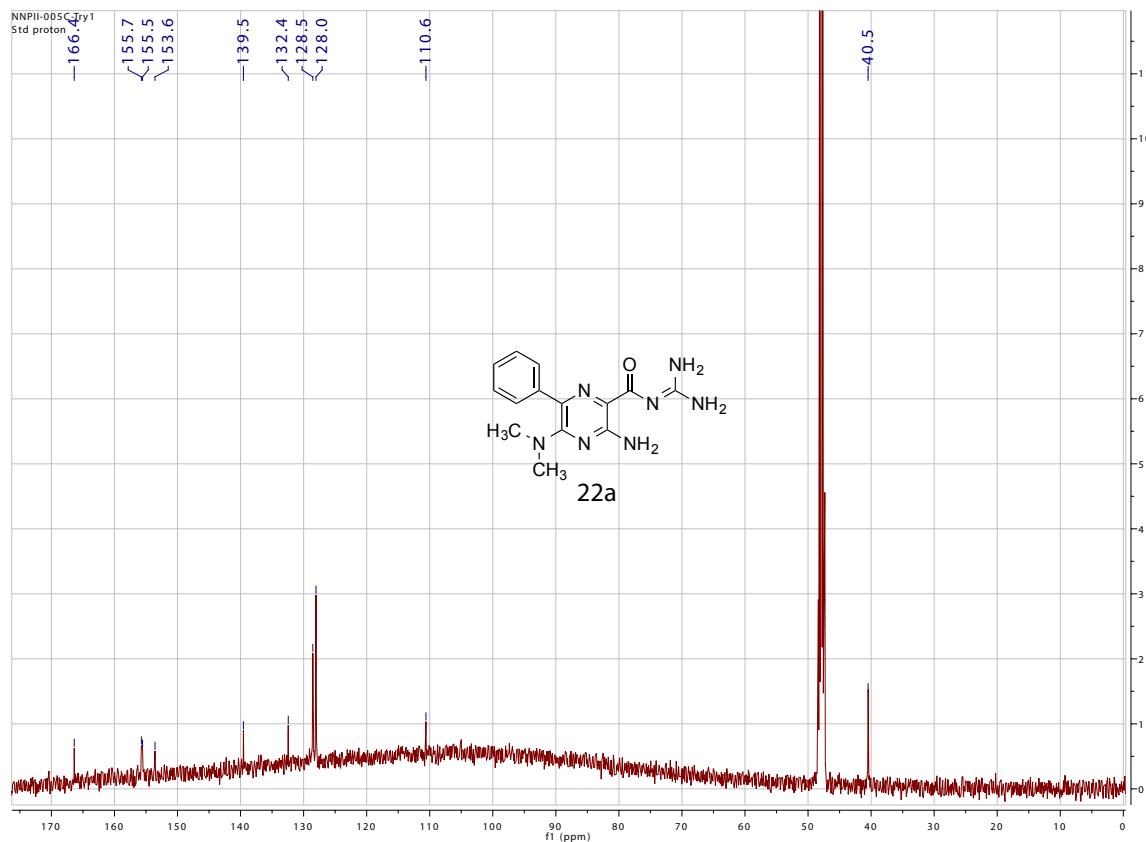
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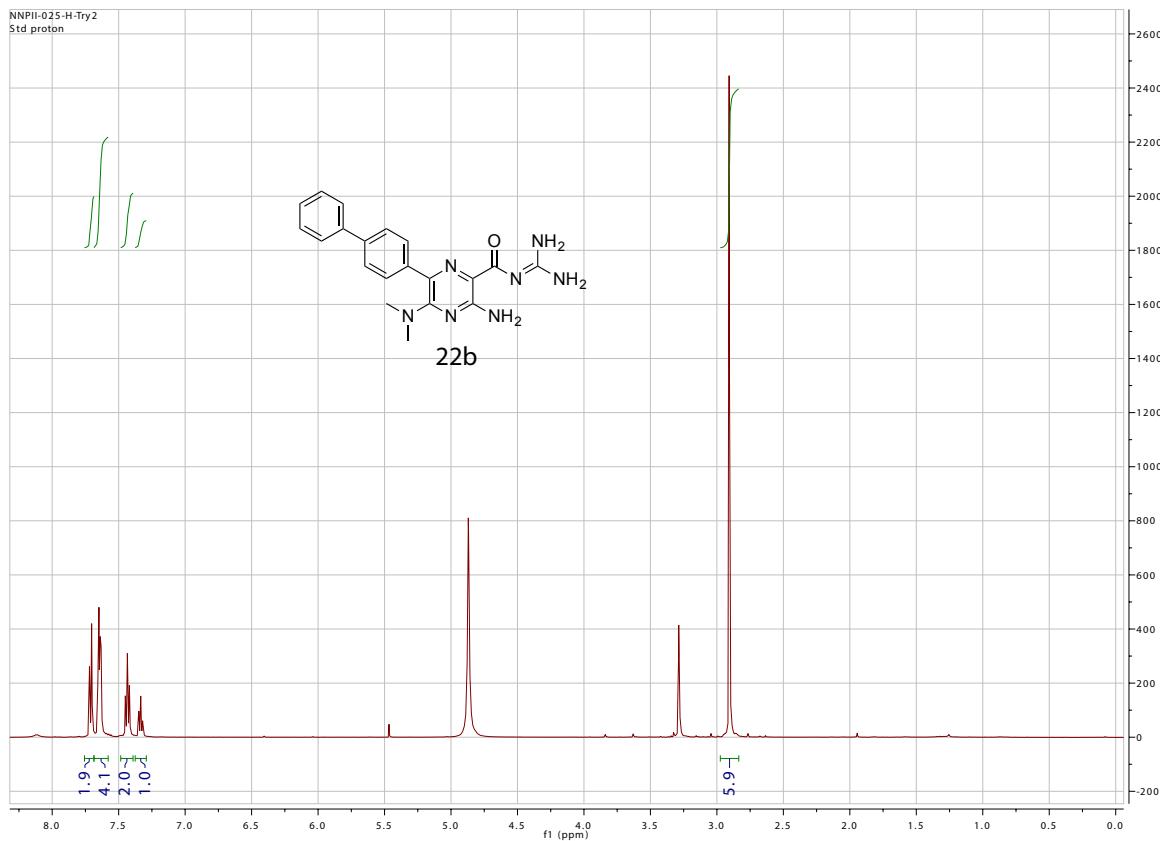
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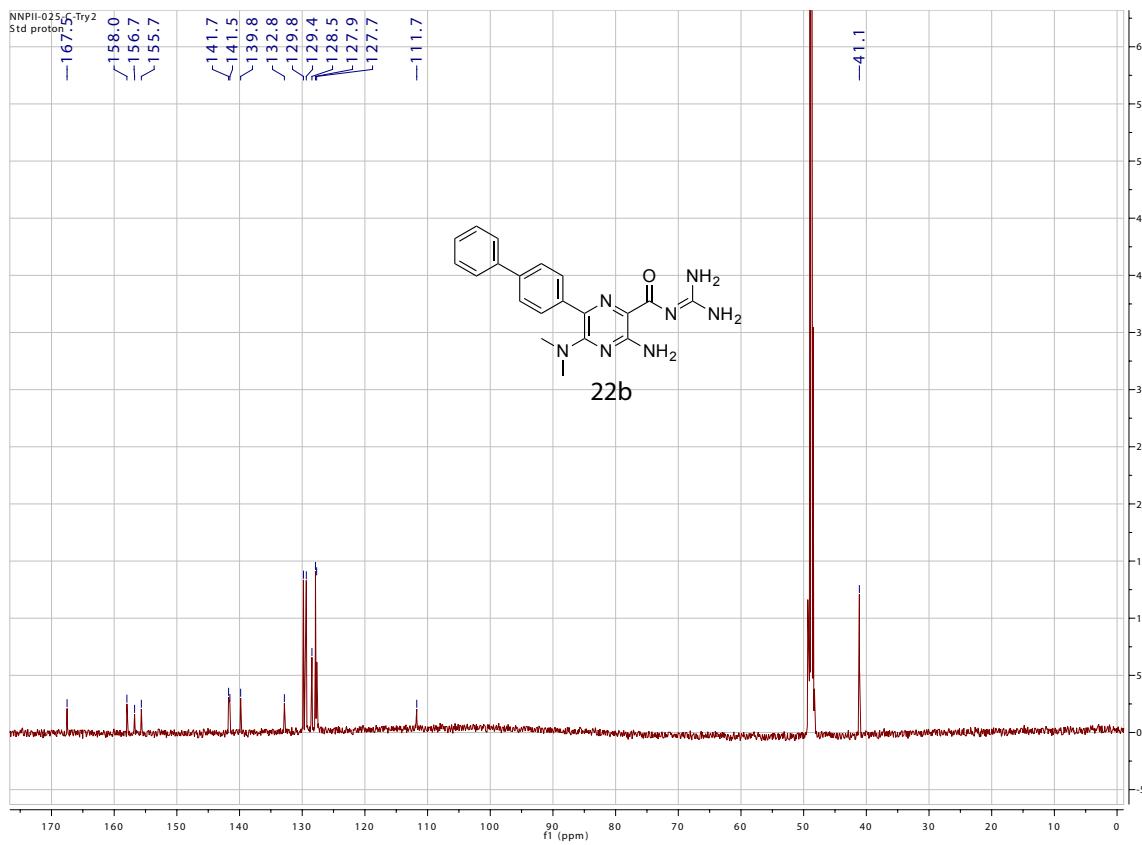
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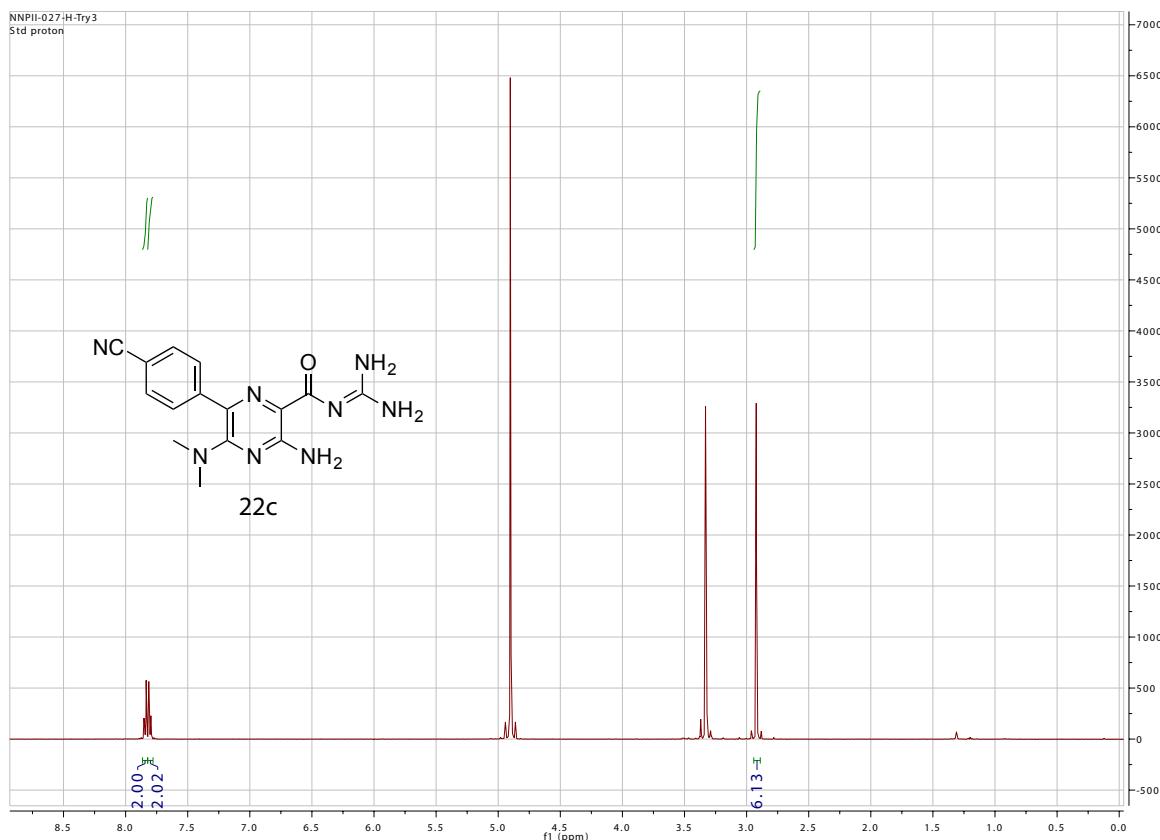
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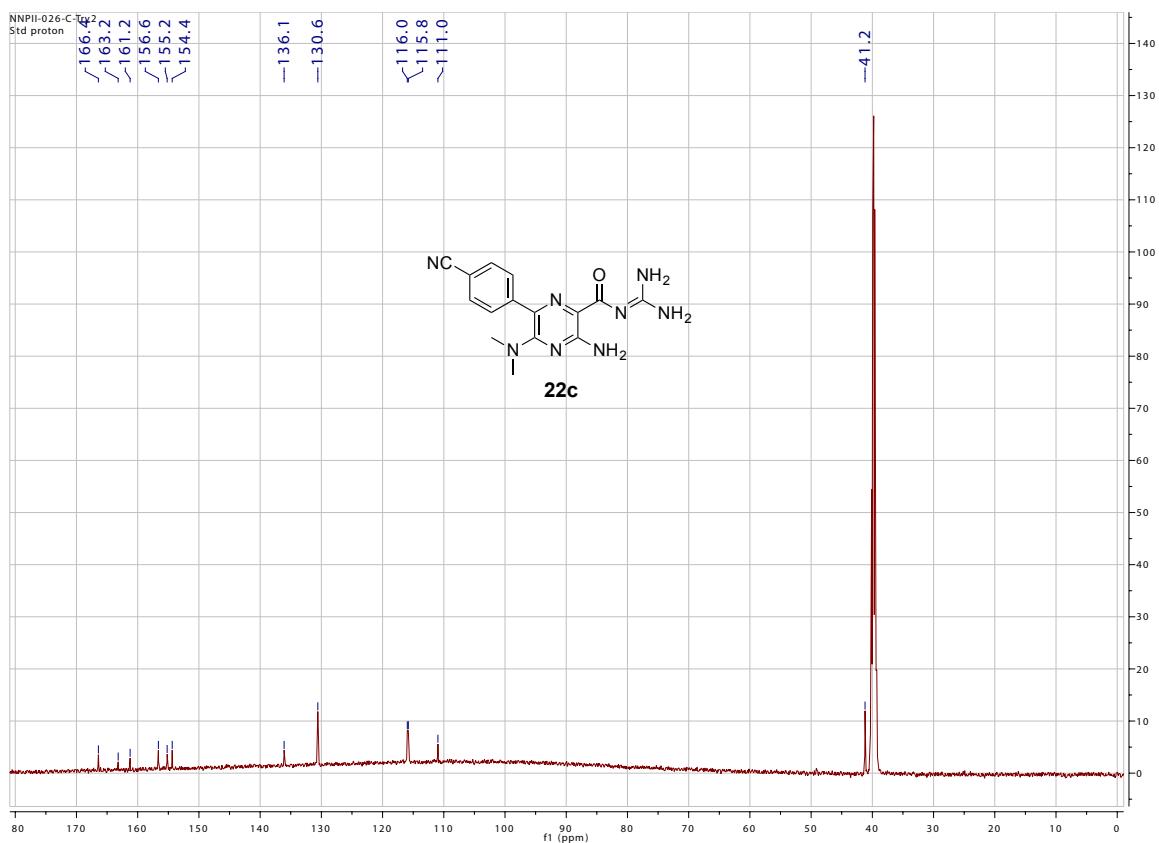
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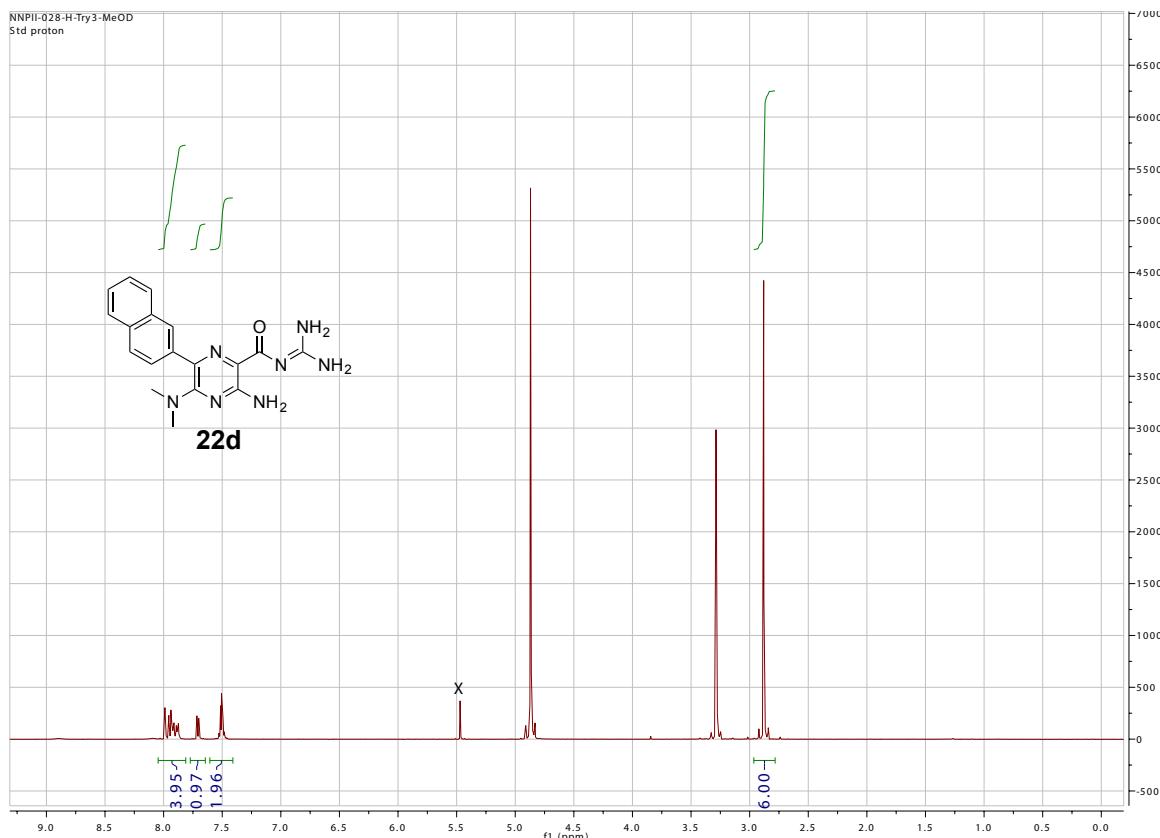
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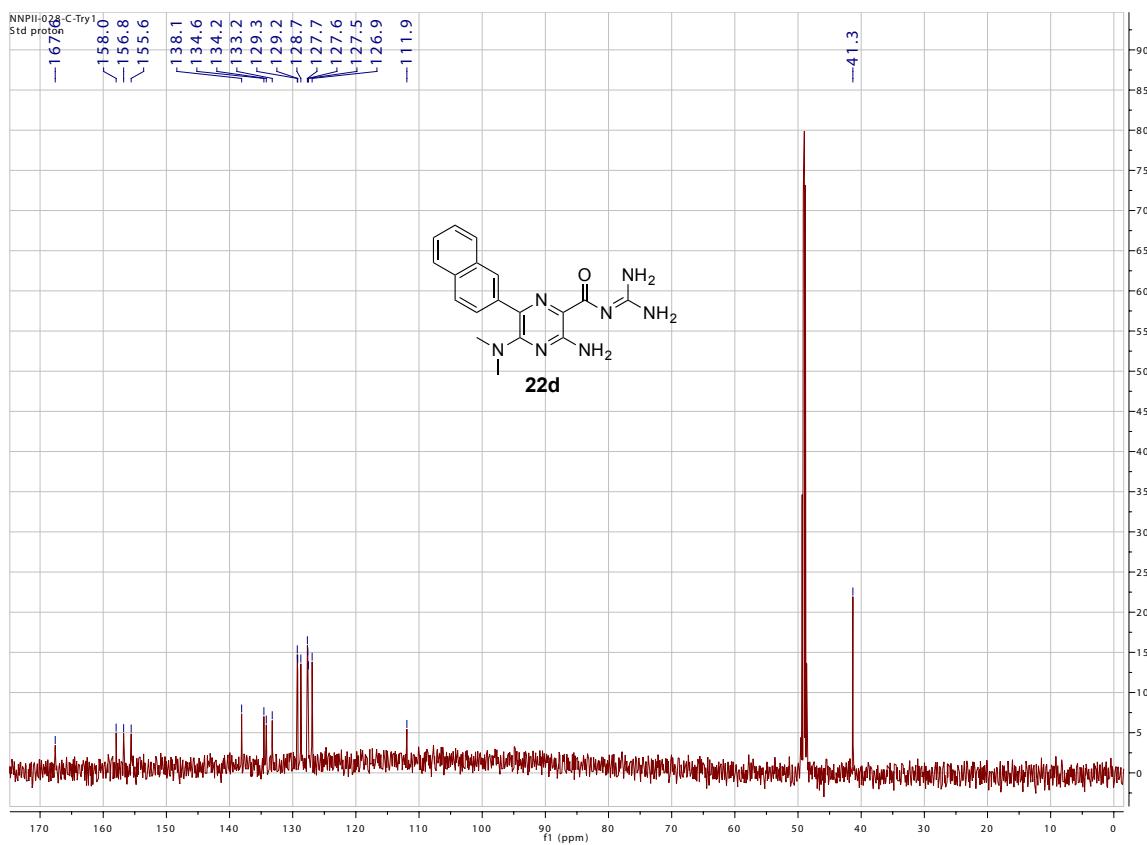
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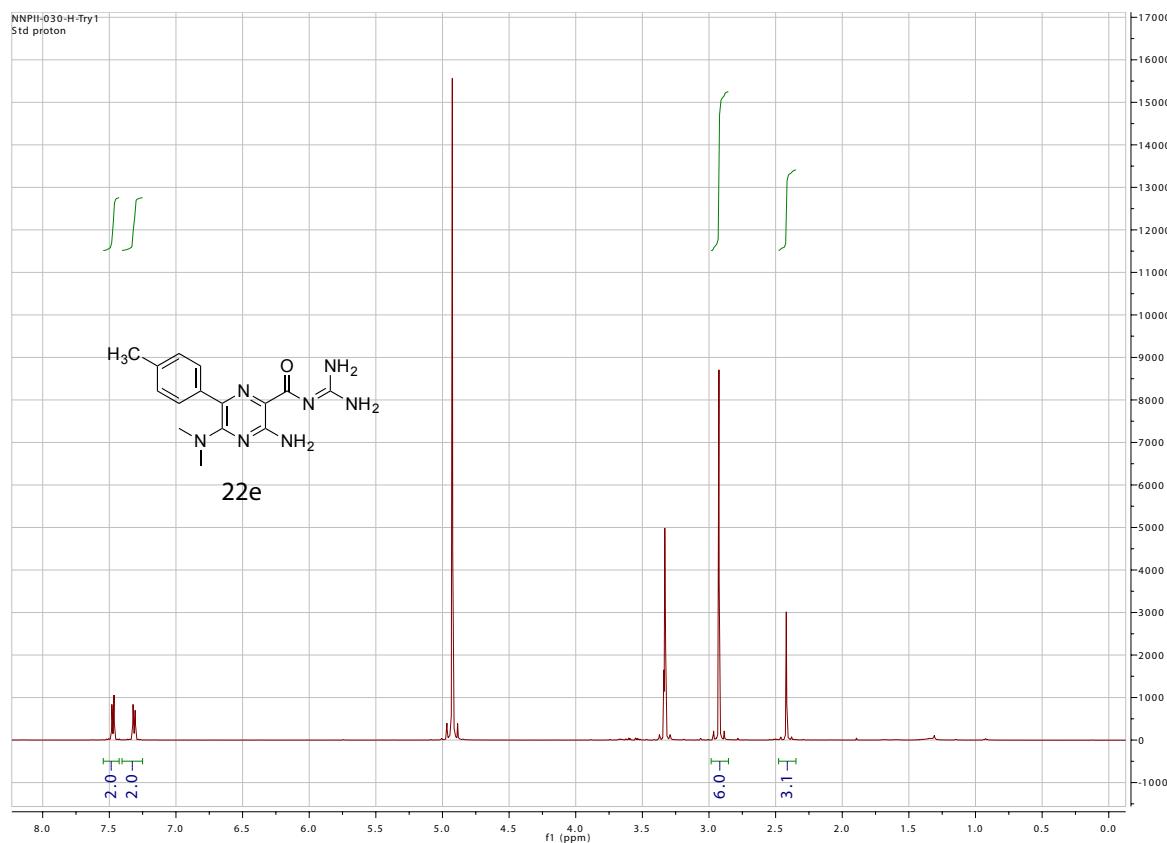
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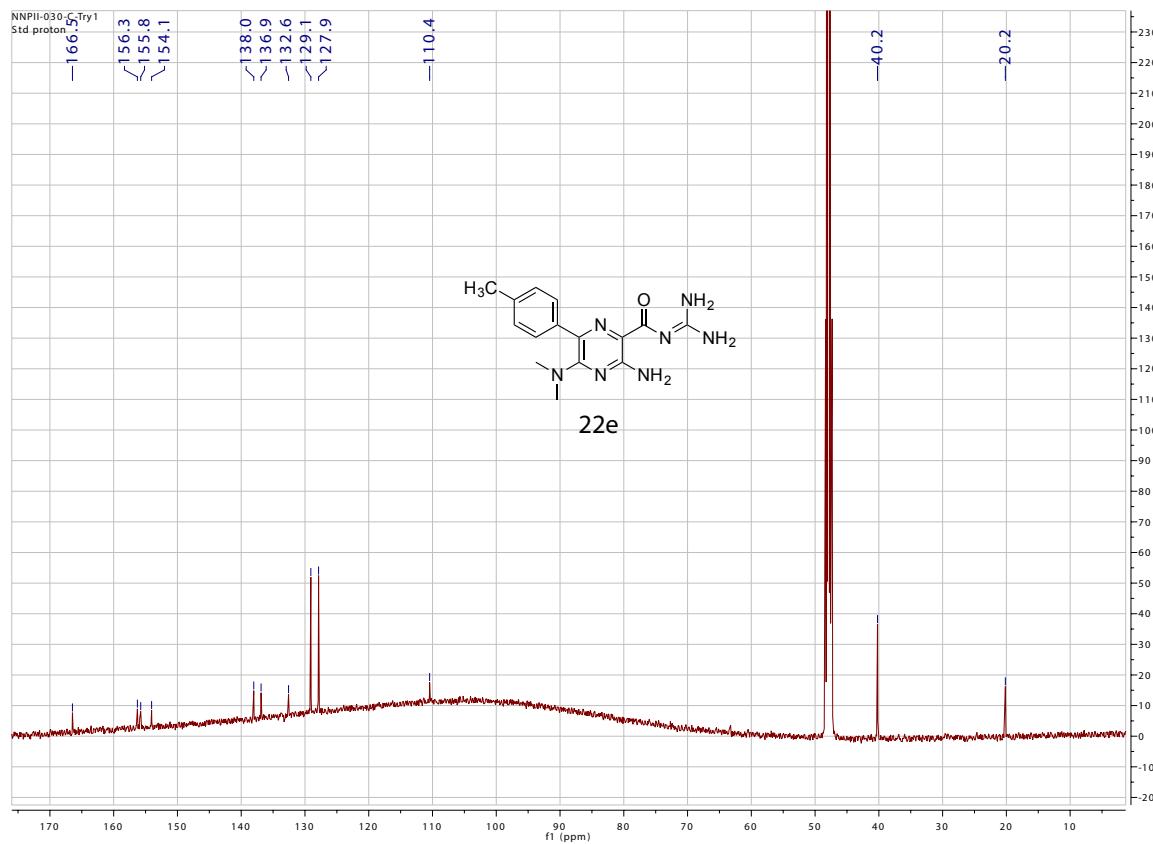
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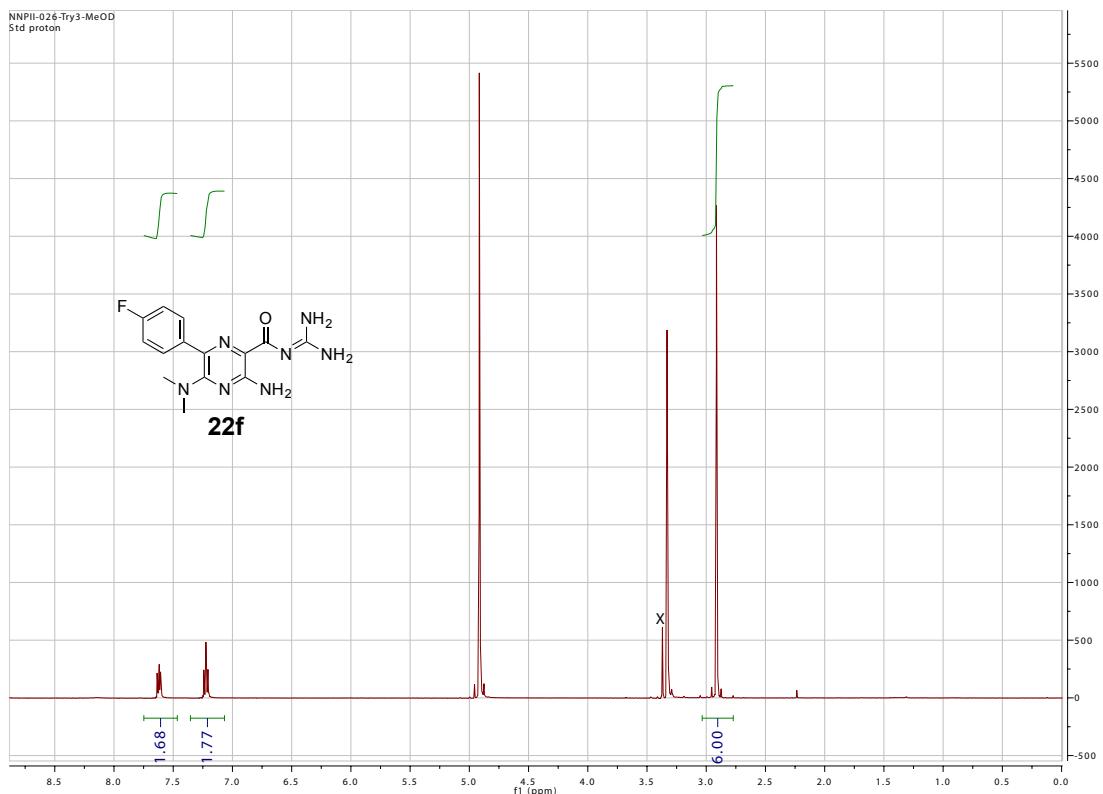
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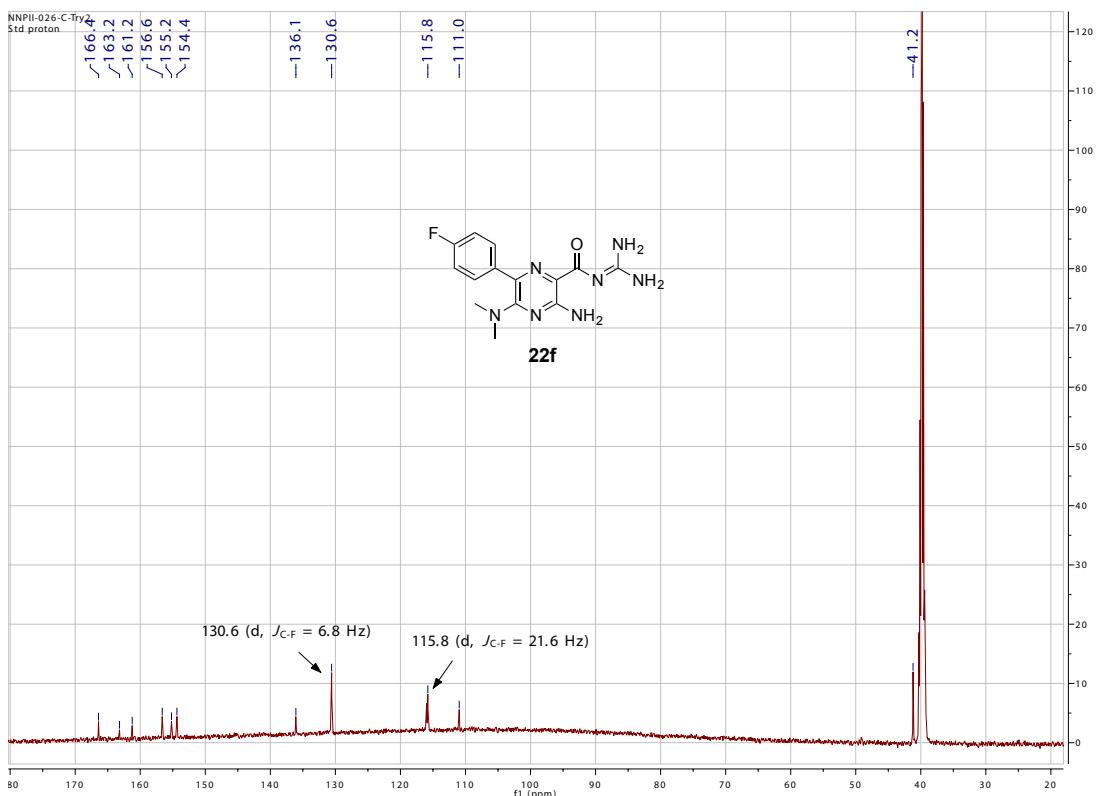
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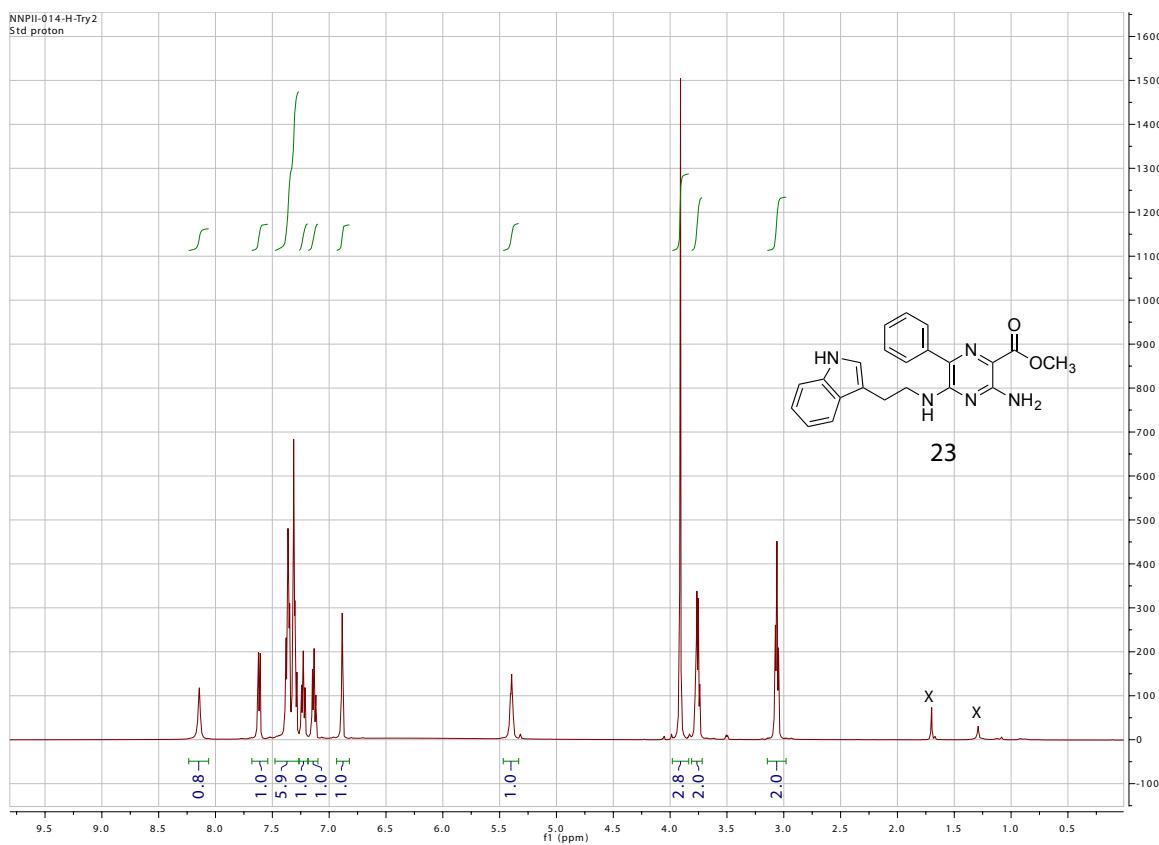
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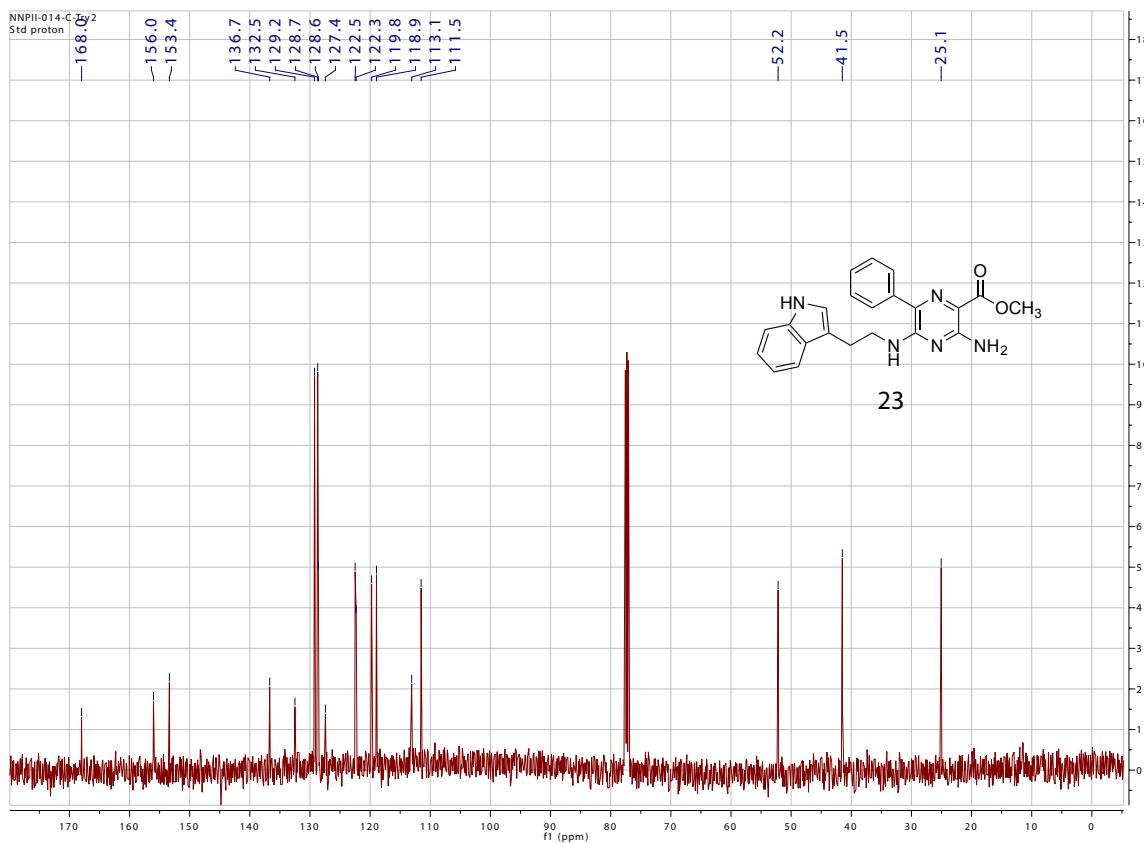
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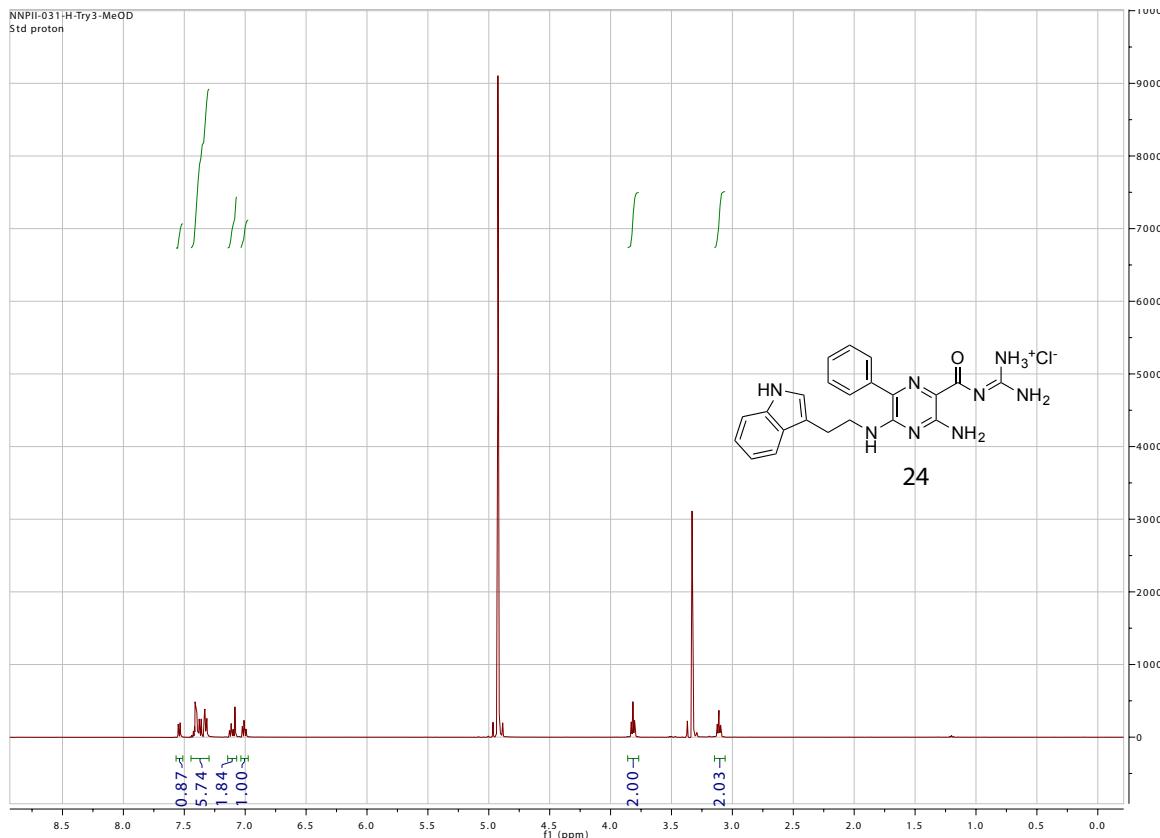
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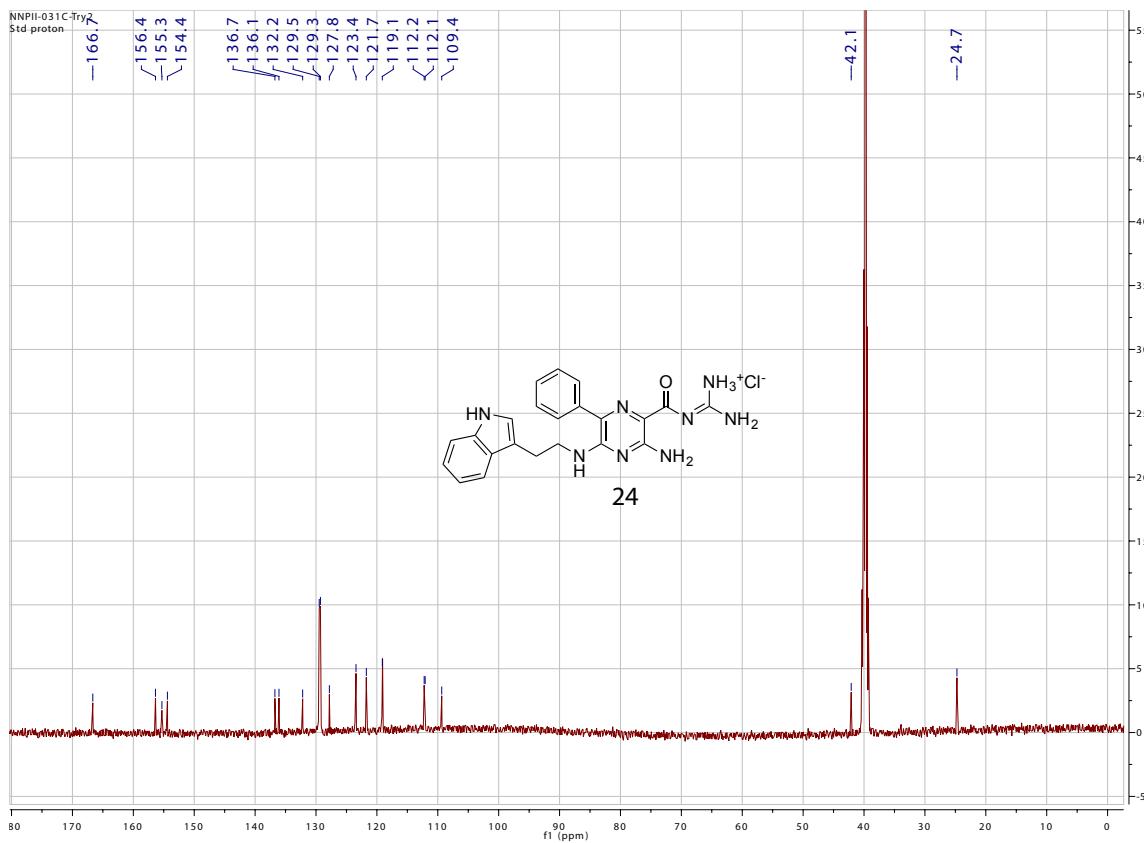
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¹H NMR (CD₃OD) of 5-((2-(1H-indol-3-yl)ethyl)amino)-3-amino-N-(diaminomethylene)-6-phenylpyrazine-2-carboxamide (24):



¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆) of 5-((2-(1H-indol-3-yl)ethyl)amino)-3-amino-N-(diaminomethylene)-6-phenylpyrazine-2-carboxamide (24): Peak overlap observed in aromatic region of the spectrum.



4. HPLC chromatograms for final amiloride derivatives

HPLC chromatogram of 3-amino-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)-5-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (4a):

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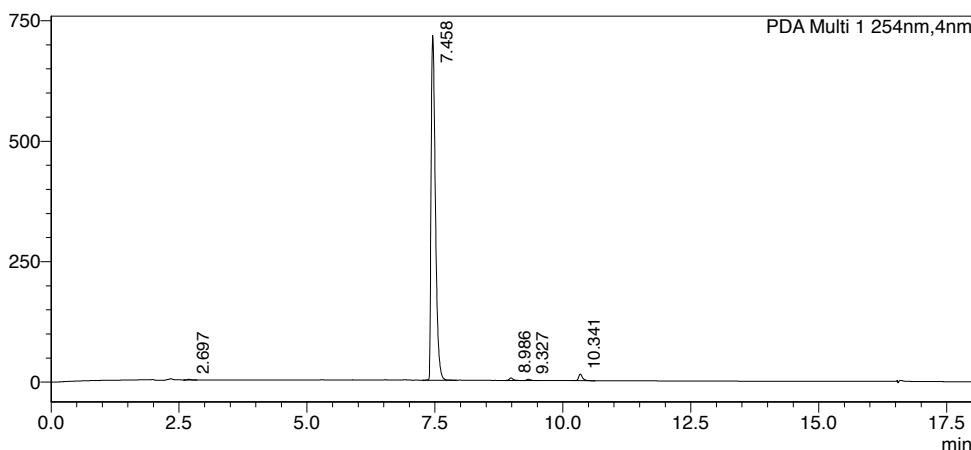
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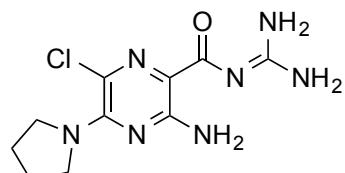
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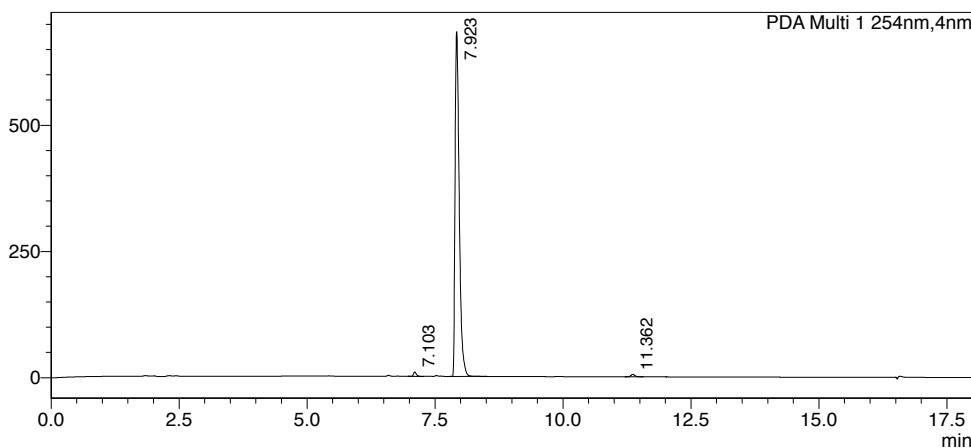


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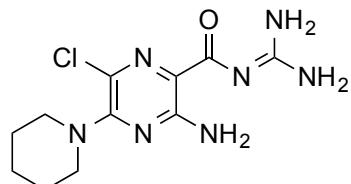
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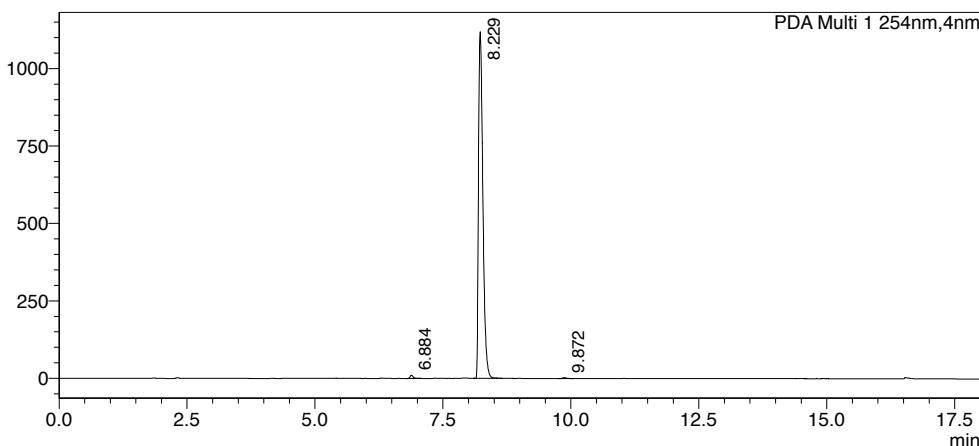


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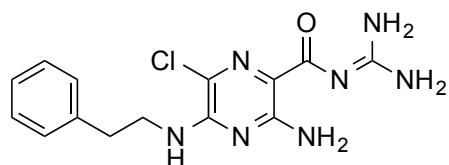
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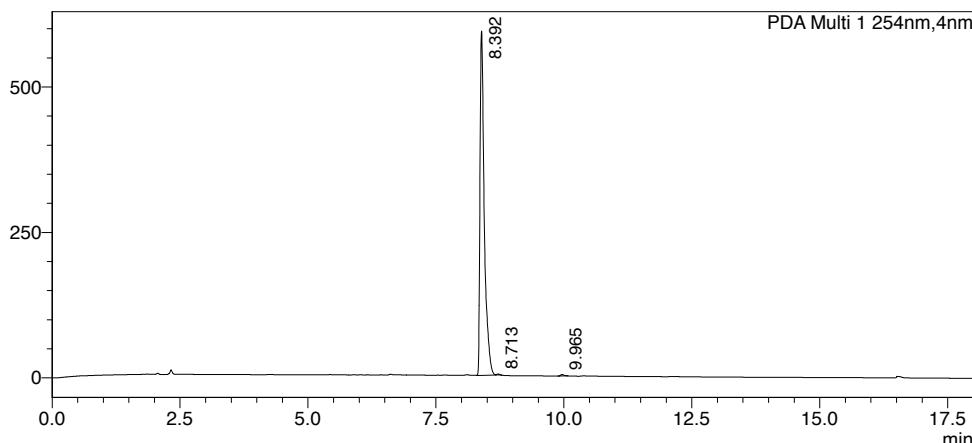
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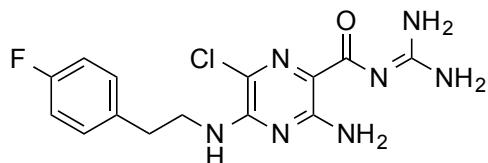
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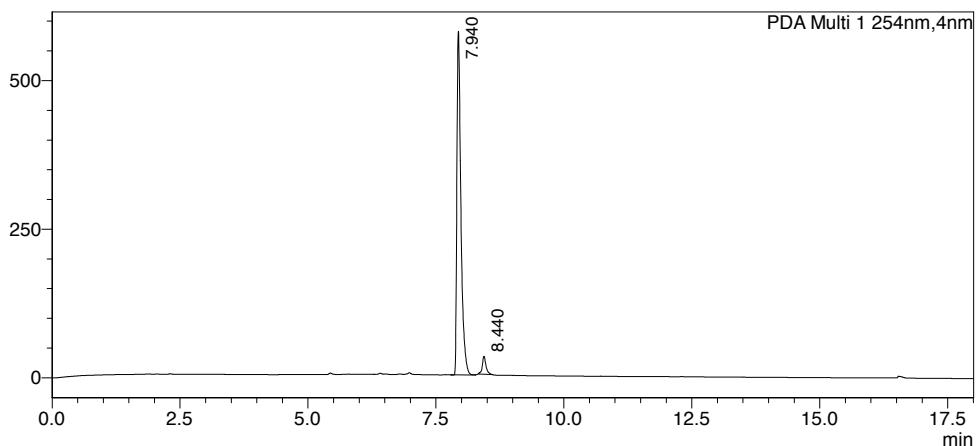


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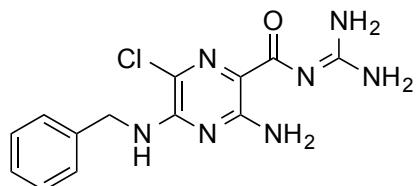
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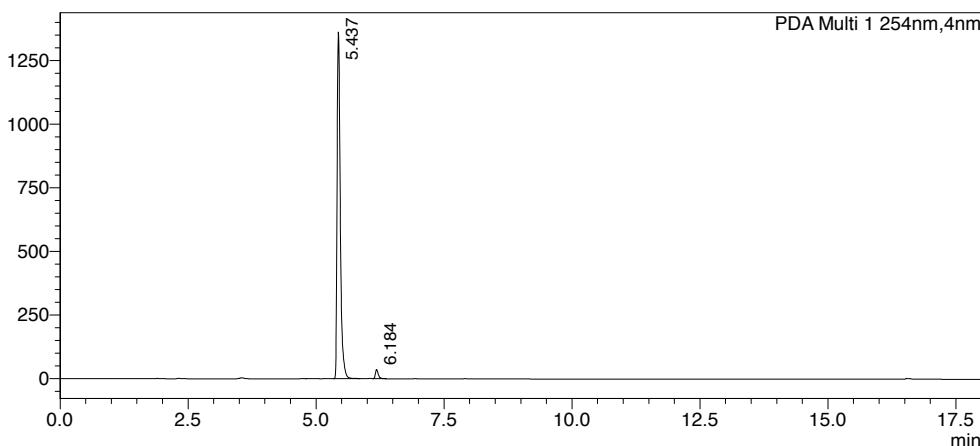
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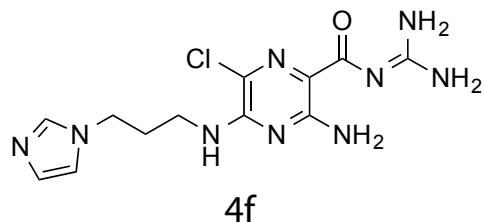
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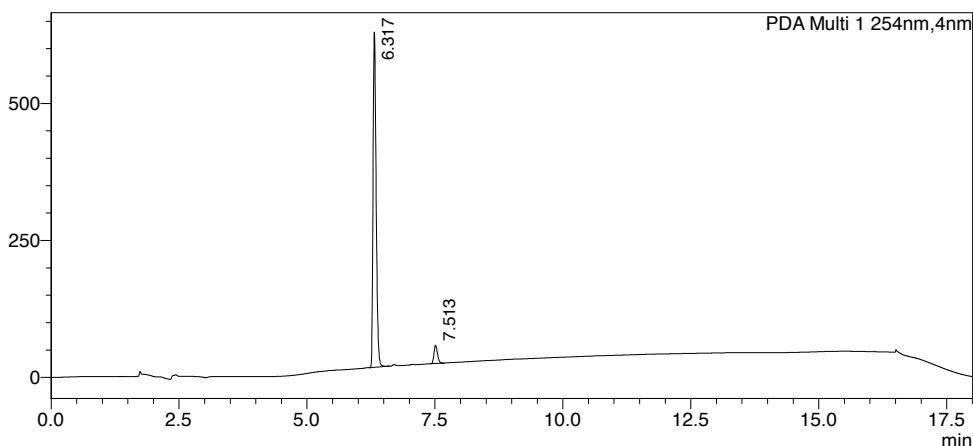


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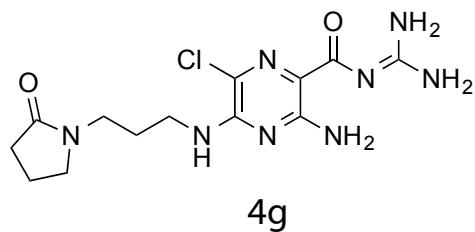
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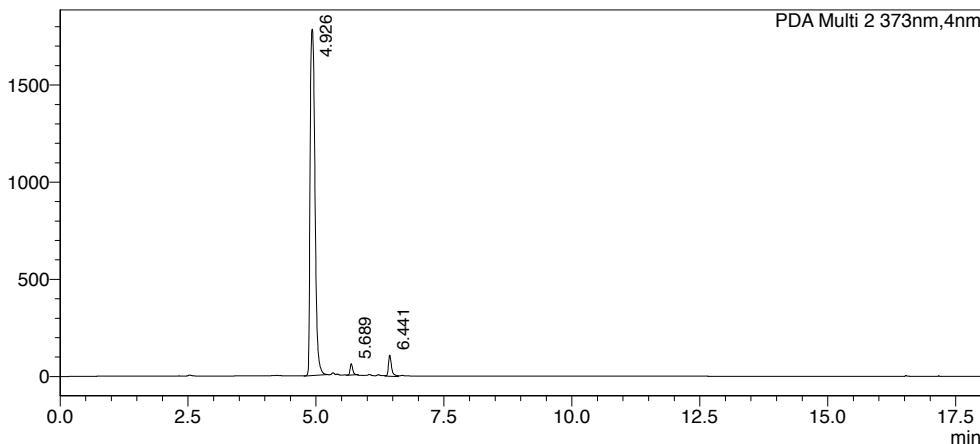


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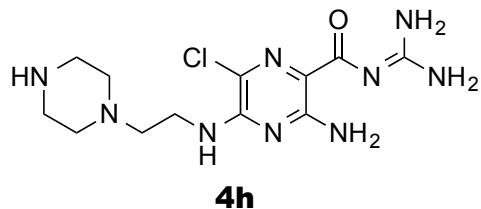
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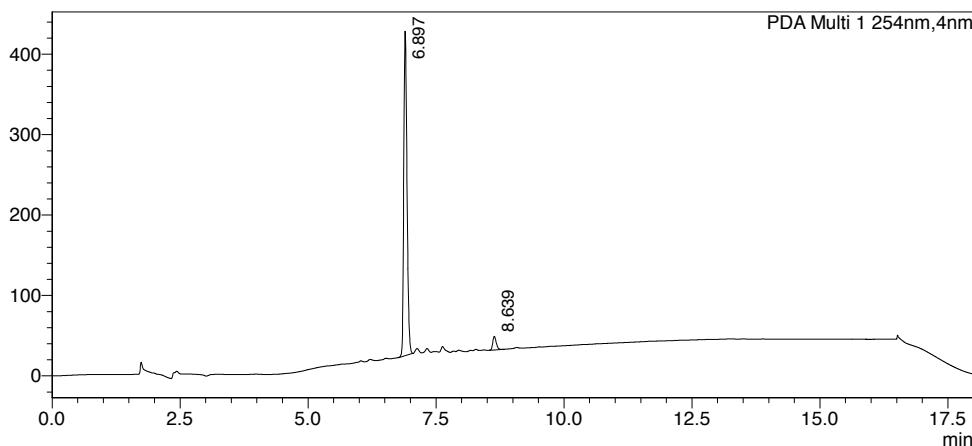


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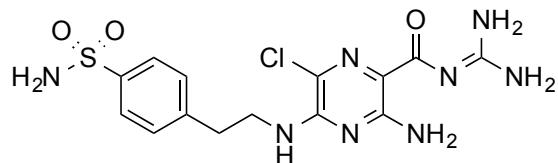
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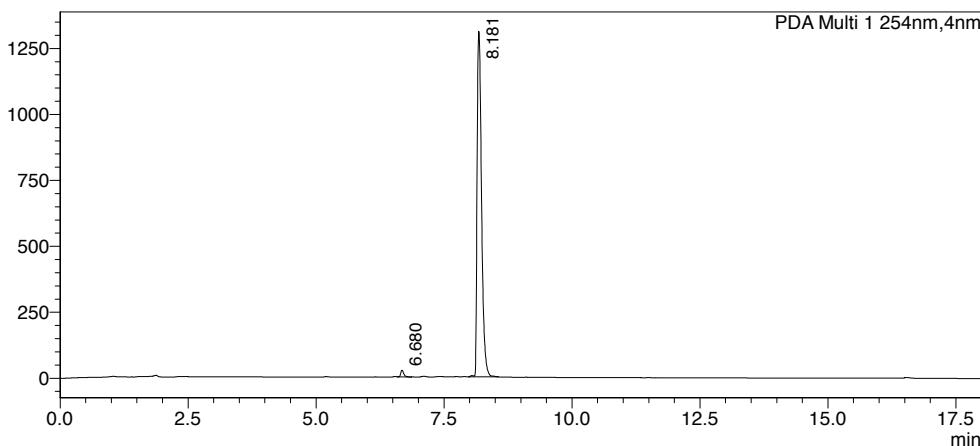


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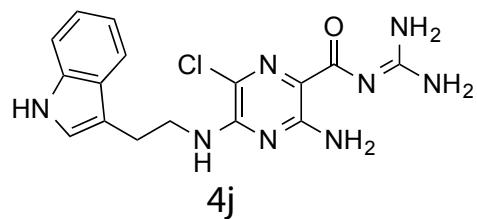
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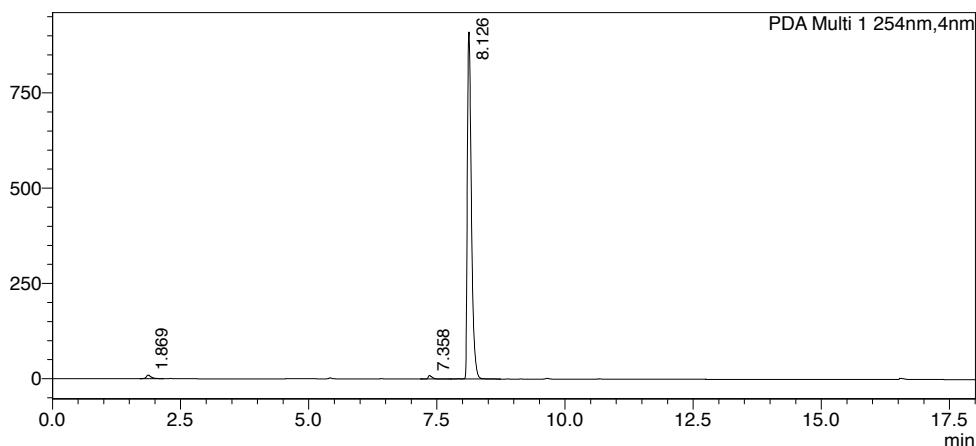


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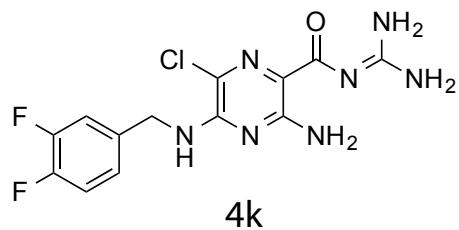
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3	8.126	5013931	900086	97.636
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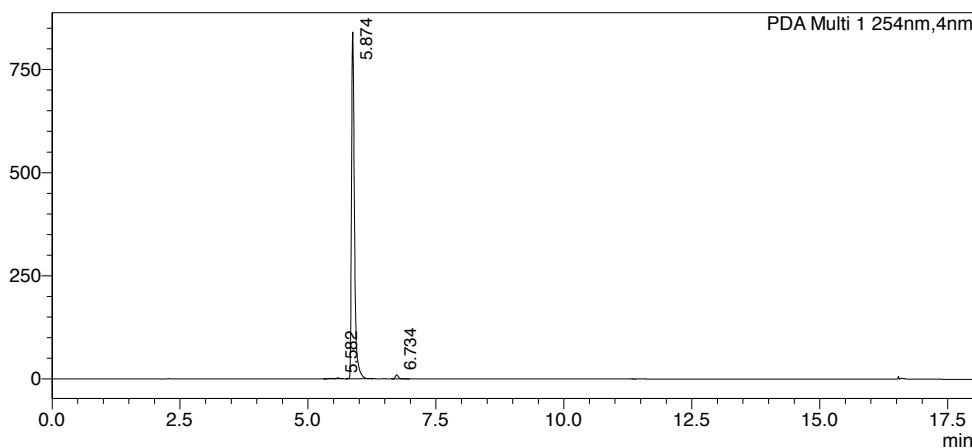


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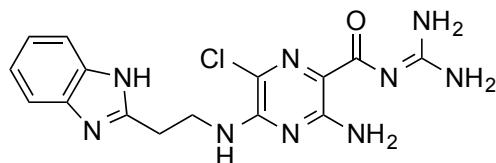
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2	5.874	3395273	786736	98.506
3	6.734	40585	9761	1.177
Total		3446773	798425	100.000



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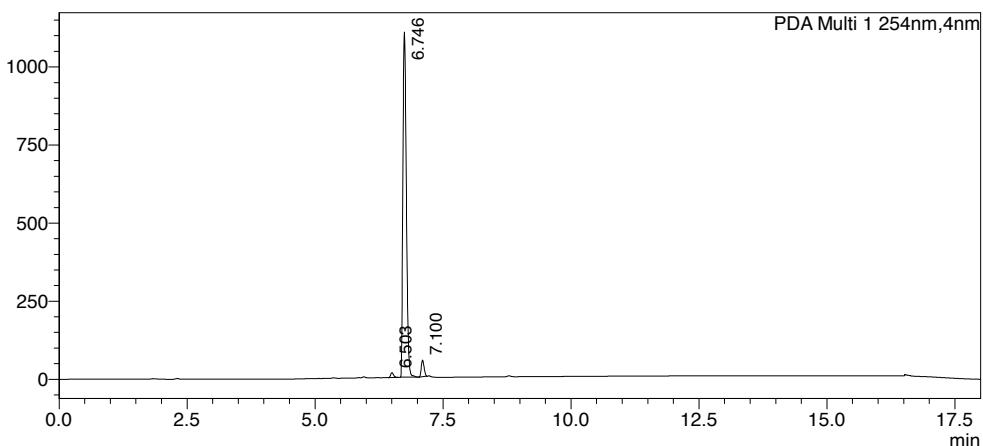


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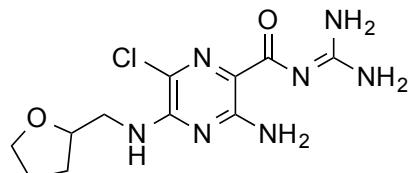
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3	7.100	200858	51909	3.683
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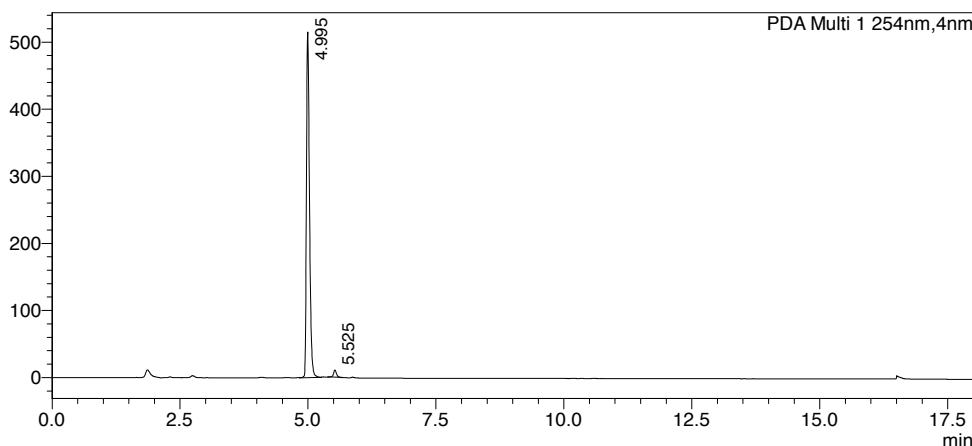


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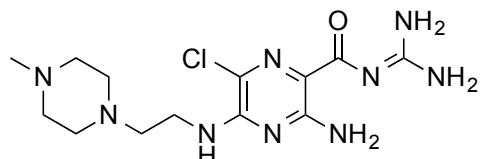
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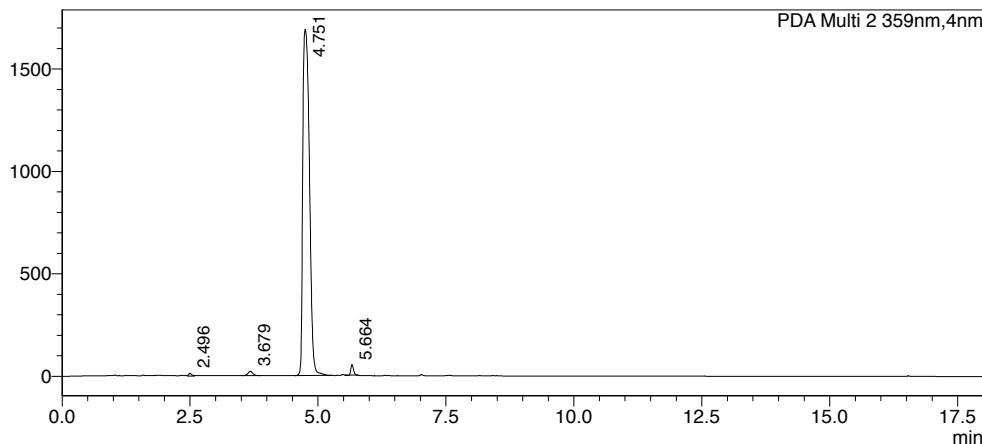


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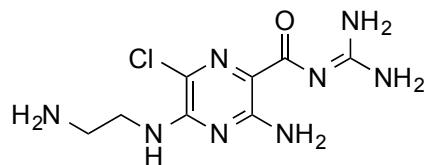
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2	3.679	138640	0.886
3	4.751	15274054	97.562
4	5.664	182735	1.167
Total		15655807	100.000



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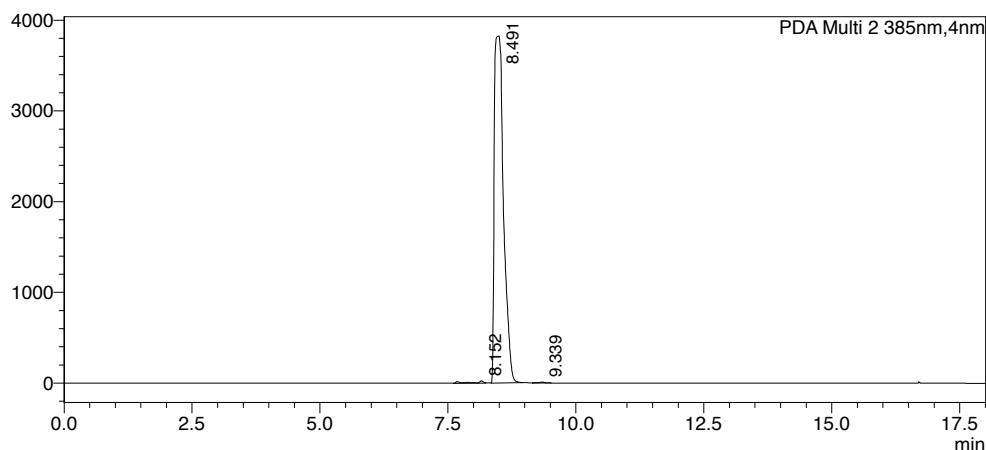


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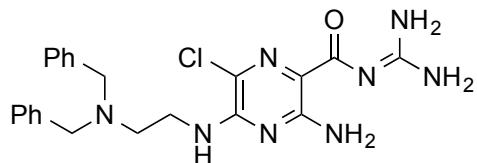
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3	9.339	72505	0.150
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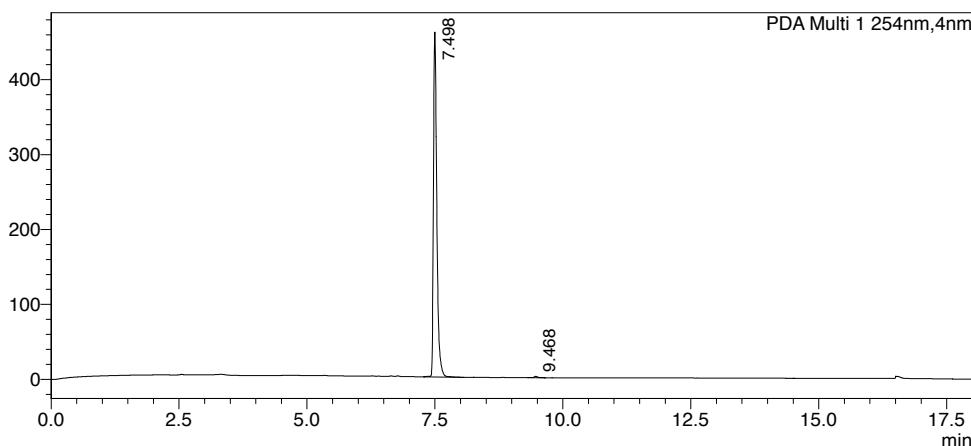


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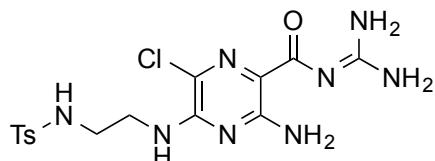
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2	9.468	8379	1758	0.394
Total		2124368	456654	100.000



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3-amino-5-(((1-benzyl-1*H*-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)methyl)amino)-6-chloro-N-(diaminomethylene)pyrazine-2-carboxamide (14):

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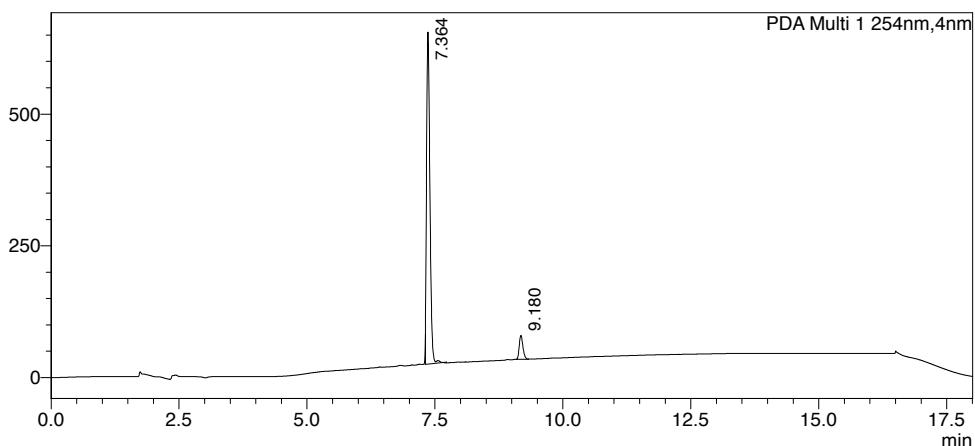


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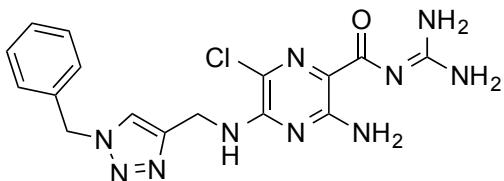
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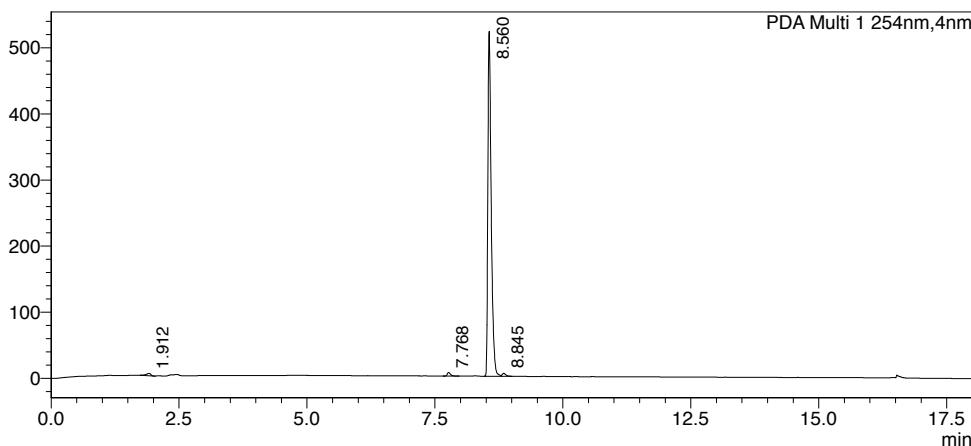
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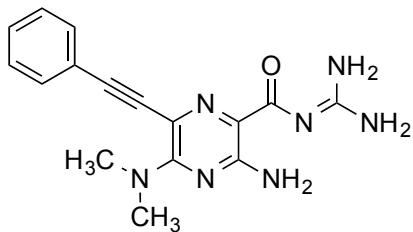
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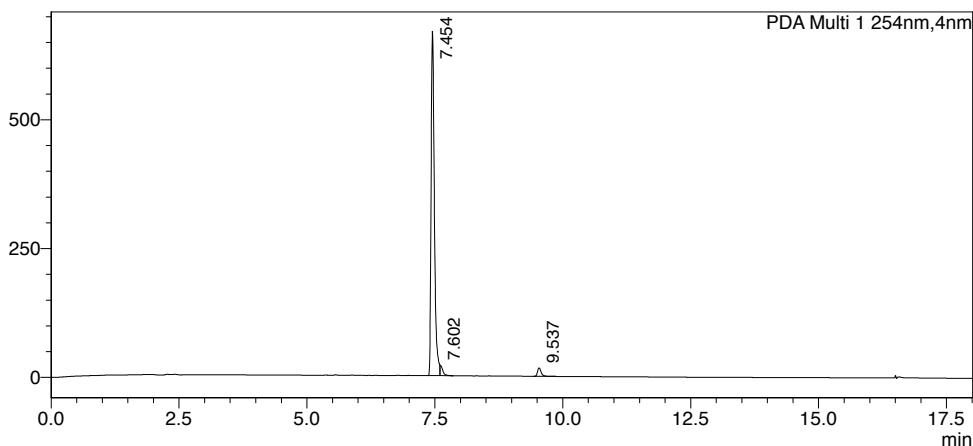


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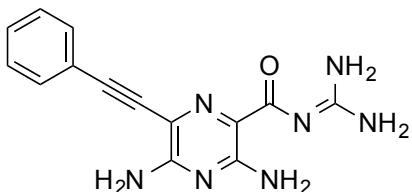
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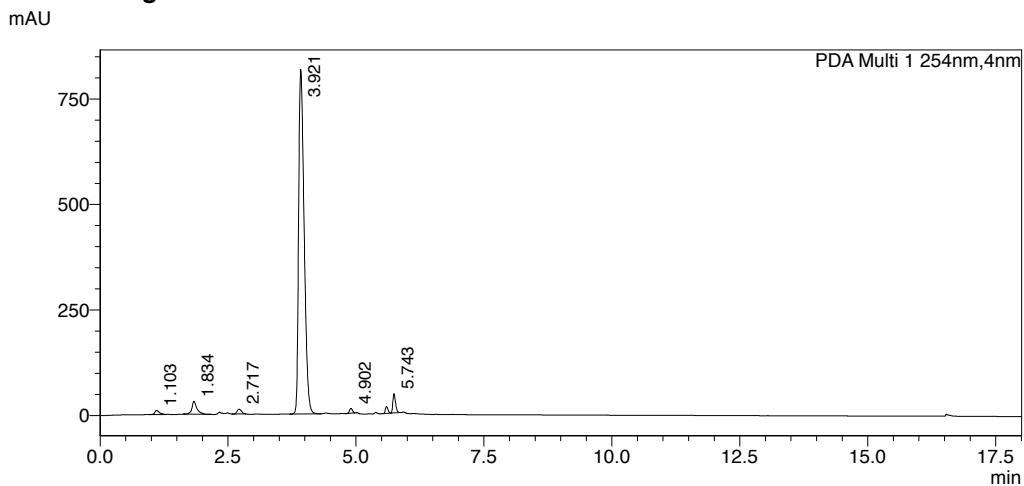
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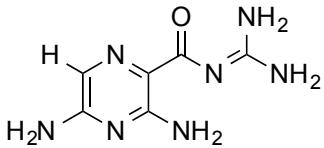
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4	3.921	6109888	805909	90.936
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Total		6718870	912020	100.000



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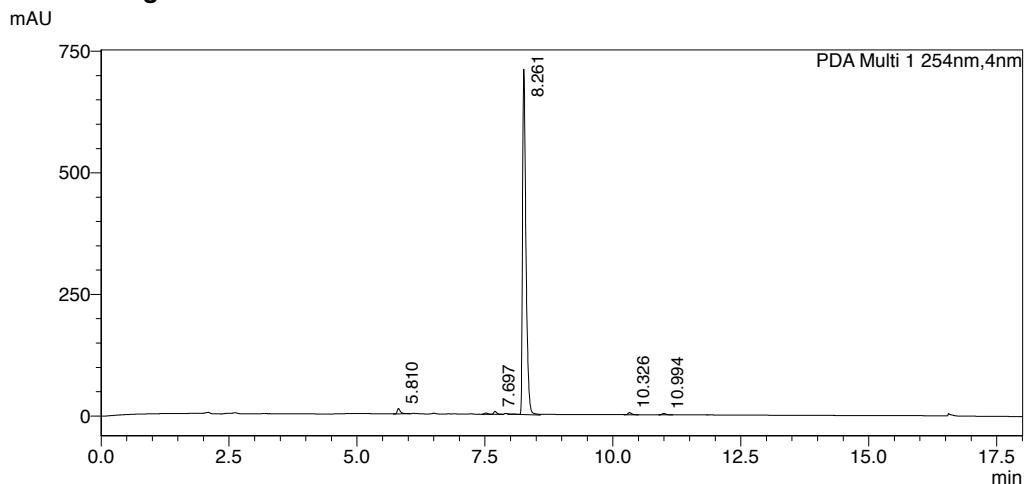
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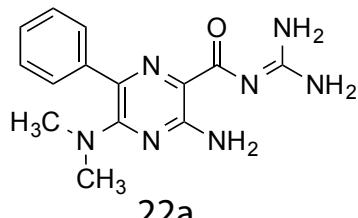
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5	10.994	15168	2732	0.442
Total		3429859	710583	100.000





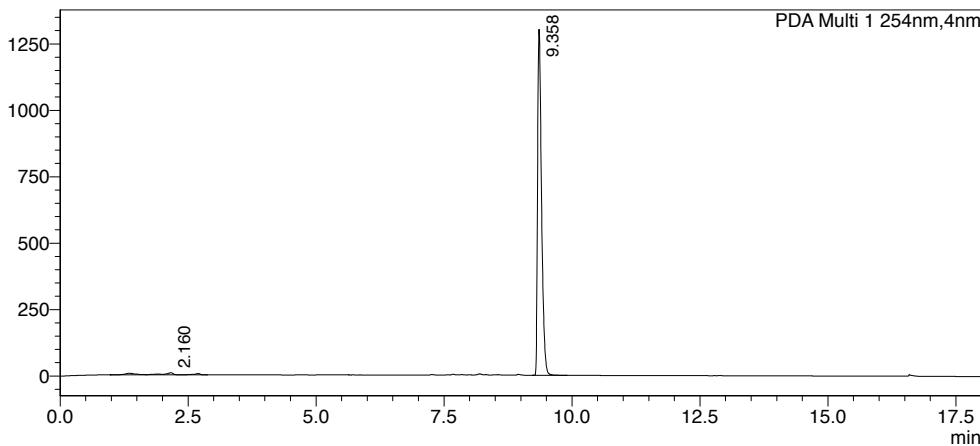
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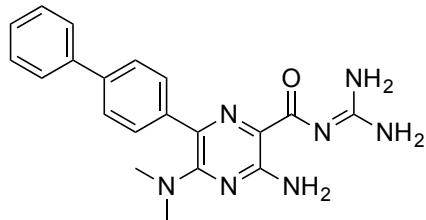
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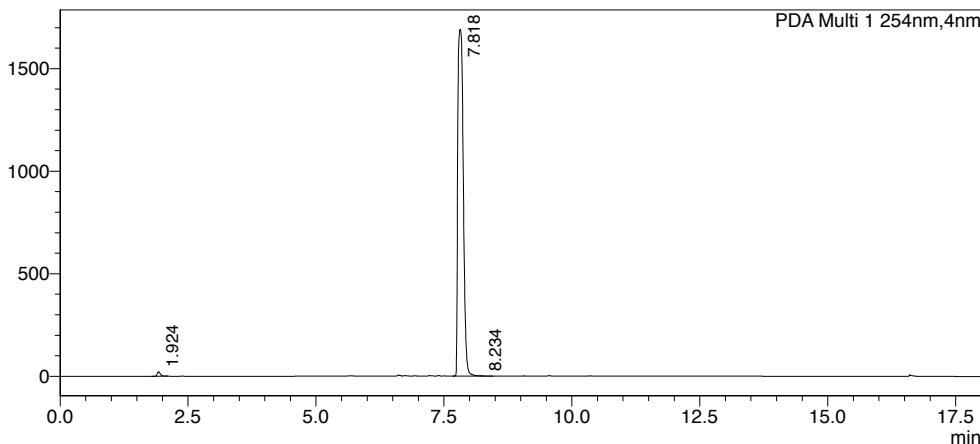
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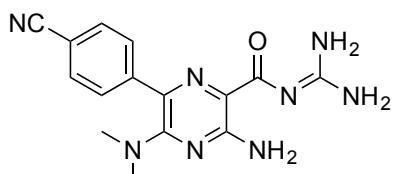
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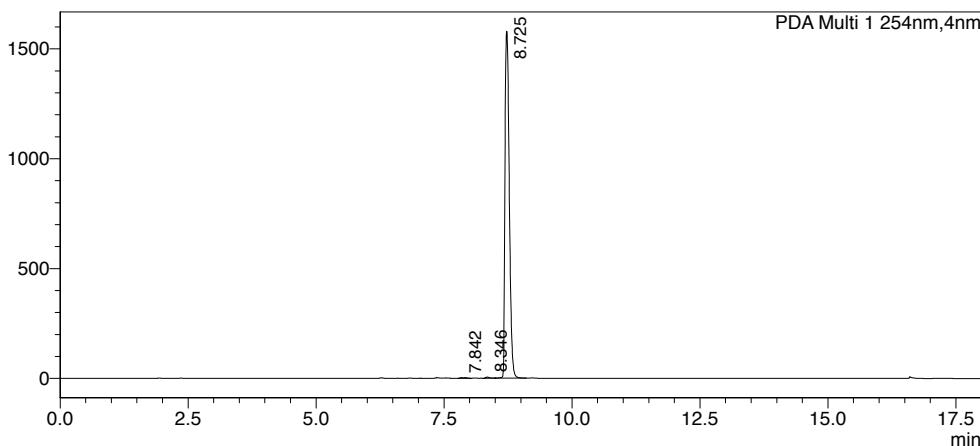


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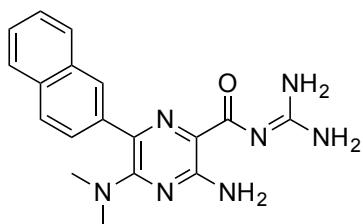
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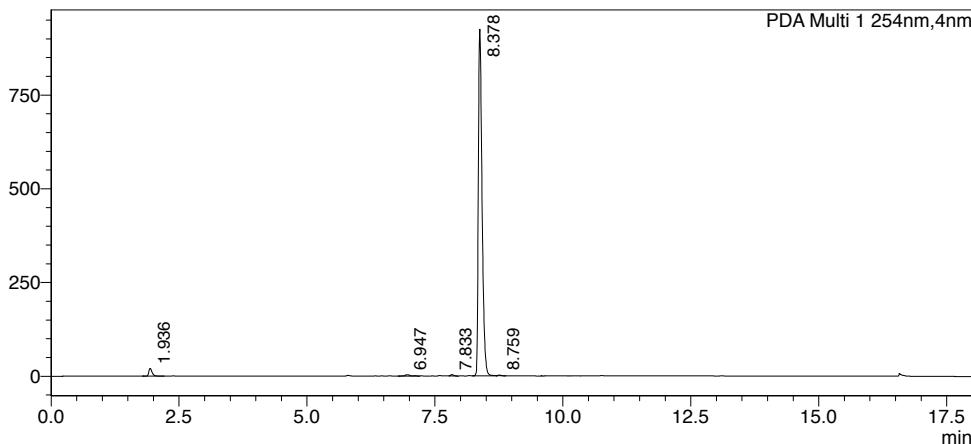
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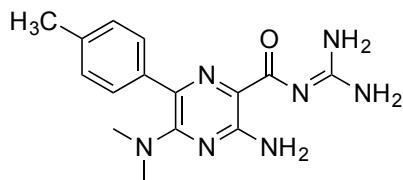
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3	7.833	14263	3490	0.295
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5	8.759	6924	1848	0.143
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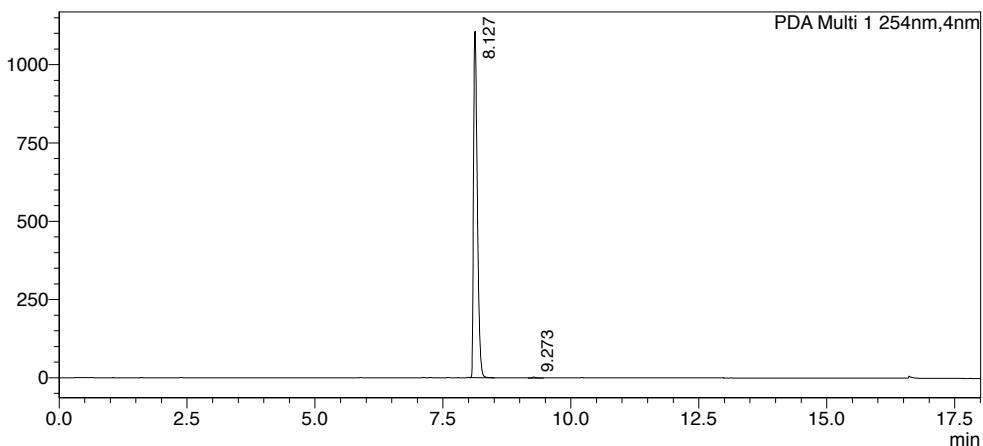


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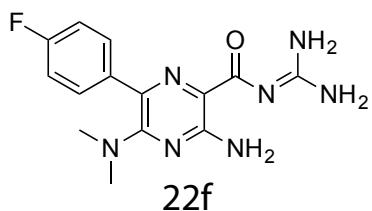
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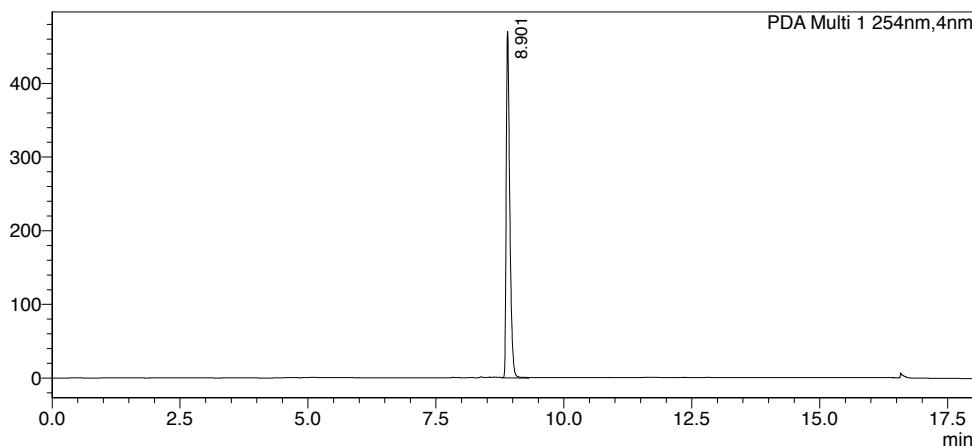


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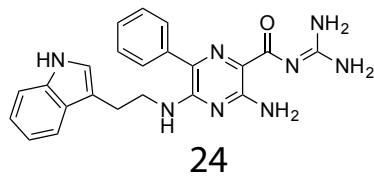
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Section B: Biological Assays:

5. Procedures for Biological Assays:

RNA Preparation

HIV-1 TAR RNA was prepared by *in vitro* transcription. Synthetic template DNA was purchased (Integrated DNA Technologies) containing the T7 promoter and the wtTAR template sequence. DNA was annealed in 3 mM MgCl₂ by heating to 95°C for 5 min followed by cooling on ice for 30 min. The transcription reaction ran for ~12 hours at 37°C in optimized conditions [0.1M Tris, 0.03M MgCl₂, 0.03M DTT, 2 mM spermine, 0.25 μM DNA template, 3 units/μl T7 RNA polymerase (New England BioLabs) and 3 mM ¹³C/¹⁵N labeled nucleotide triphosphates (Cambridge Isotope Laboratories Inc) or unlabeled nucleotide triphosphates]. RNA was purified using 20% (w/v) denaturing polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (PAGE) with 8M urea and 1X TBE [89 mM Tris base, 89 mM boric acid, 2 mM EDTA]. Purified RNA was extracted by gel electro-elution in 1X TAE [40 mM Tris base, 40 mM acetate 1mM EDTA] buffer and further purified by ethanol precipitation. The purified RNA pellet was dissolved in water to ~ 50 μM RNA, heated to 95°C for 5 min and cooled on ice for 1 hour to anneal.

Displacement Assays

For Tat-displacement assays, TAR RNA was diluted to 150 nM in Tris-HCl assay buffer [50 mM Tris-HCl, 50 mM KCl, 0.01% (v/v) Triton X-100 at pH ~7.4]. The Tat peptide, N-(5-FAM)-AAARKKRRQRRRAAK(TAMRA)-C (Lifetein, purity > 95%) was dissolved into the same assay buffer to 60 nM. Small molecules were diluted to 3 mM in assay buffer and serially diluted to 0.03 μM. All three components were combined in a 384 well plate (Corning® low volume black round bottom, polystyrene, untreated), such that final assay concentrations were 50 nM TAR, 20 nM Tat peptide and (1 mM-0.01 μM) small molecule. This ratio of TAR to Tat peptide was selected because it gave the highest fluorescence signal, indicating that ~100% Tat peptide was bound by TAR before addition of small molecules, to maximize the signal change during the experiment. TAR was excluded for the Tat-only control and 100-fold excess tRNA (bulk tRNA from baker's yeast) was added for the tRNA control. Similarly, a 100-fold excess of 30-mer (dA-dT) alternating DNA duplex (purchased as a duplex from IDT technologies) was added for the DNA control. Fluorescence intensity (excitation 485 nm, emission 590 nm) was measured on a Clariostar monochromator microplate reader (BMG Labtech). The signal was baseline corrected to the Tat- only control and points with assay interference were excluded from analysis.

CD_{50} values were fit with OriginPro (OrginLab) using dose response curve fitting (Eq. 1 and 2) and the instrumental weighting method.

$$y = A1 + \frac{(A2-A1)}{(1+10^{((Logx0-x)p)})} \quad \text{Eq. 1}$$

$$CD_{50} = 10^{Logx0} \quad \text{Eq. 2}$$

where A1 is the minimum signal, A2 is the maximum signal, p is the hill slope, and Logx0 is the Log of the concentration of half response. Assays were minimally conducted in triplicate and reported error is the standard deviation from the mean. Each replicate contained three technical replicates.

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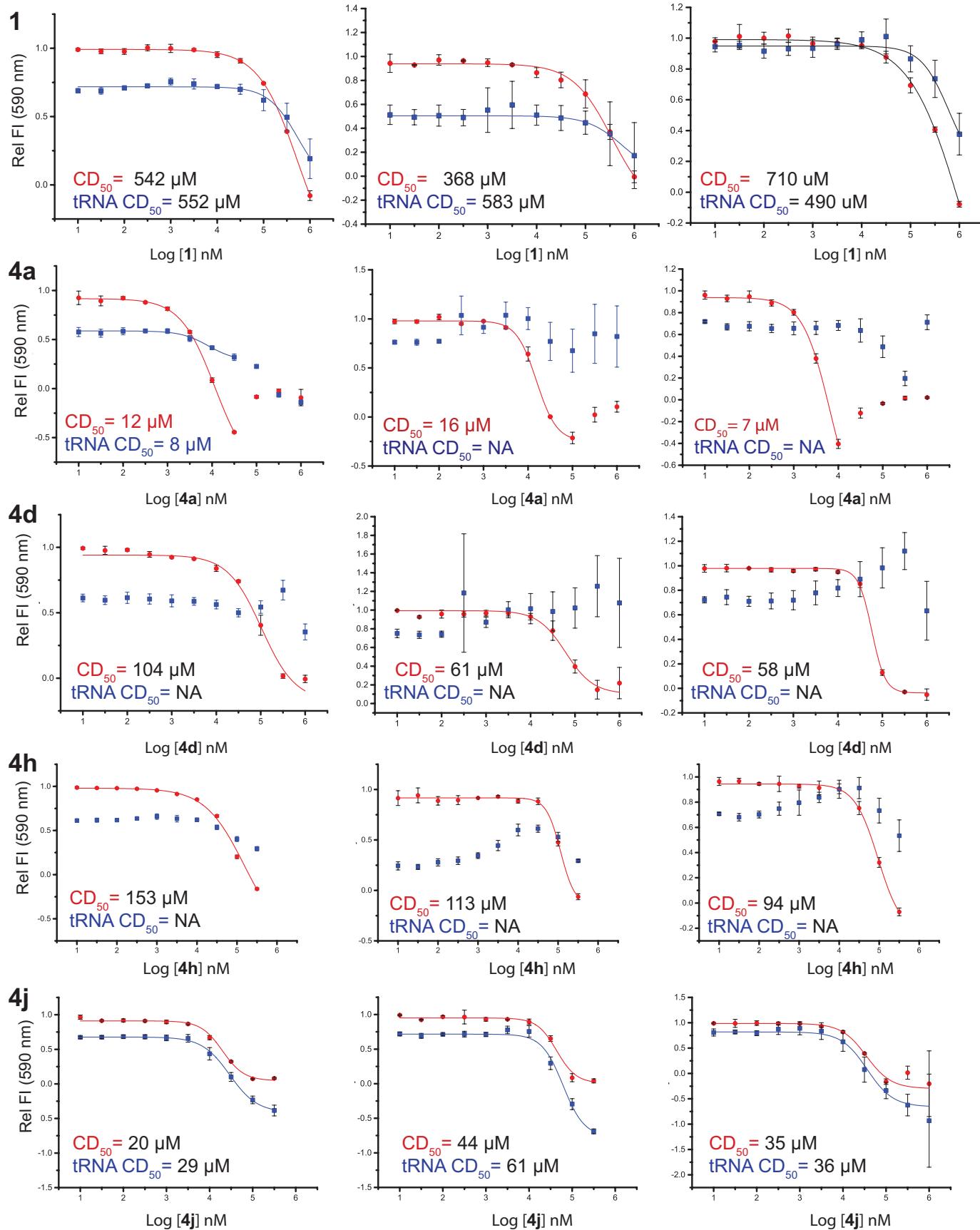
Synthesized $^{13}\text{C}/^{15}\text{N}$ -labeled TAR RNA was exchanged into phosphate NMR buffer [15 mM $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4/\text{Na}_2\text{HPO}_4$, 25 mM NaCl, 0.1 mM EDTA, 10% (v/v) D_2O at pH ~ 6.4] to a concentration of 50 μM RNA. Small molecules were stored in DMSO at 20 mM and added to TAR such that the final amount of DMSO in the NMR sample was 1% (v/v). Equivalent volumes of DMSO were added to the free TAR controls to compensate for minor changes induced by DMSO. Aromatic 2D SOFAST [$^1\text{H}-^{13}\text{C}$] HMQC spectra¹⁸ were collected at 25°C (Fig. 1, Bulgeless and UUCG comparison) or 37°C (all other spectra: Fig. 3, SI-6) on a 600 MHz Bruker spectrometer equipped with an HCPN cryogenic probe (**4f**, **24**, **4e**, **22d**, **22c** and **22b**), an 800 MHz Agilent spectrometer equipped with an HCN cryogenic probe (**1**, **19**, **4g**, **4j**, **4l**, **4m**, **22a**, **17**, **4n**) or an 800 MHz Agilent spectrometer equipped with HCN room-temp probe (all other amiloride derivatives). Spectra were processed using nmrPipe²² and SPARKY.²³ To generate the heat maps shown in Figure 1, 3, and SI-6, chemical shift perturbations between free TAR and TAR bound by small molecule were calculated with equation 3.

$$\Delta\delta = \sqrt{(\Delta\delta_H)^2 + \left(\frac{\gamma_H}{\gamma_C}\Delta\delta_C\right)^2} \quad \text{Eq. 3}$$

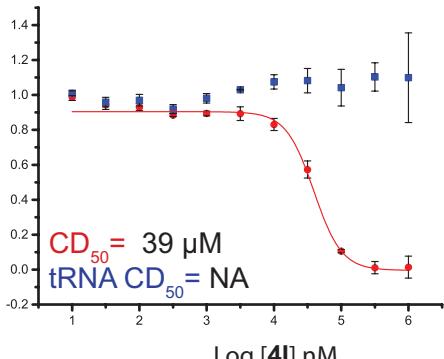
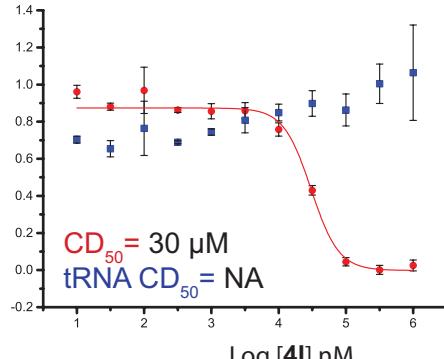
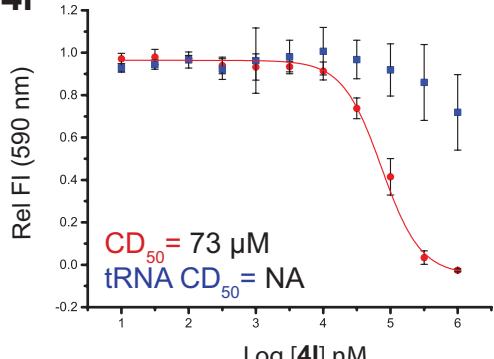
Where $\Delta\delta$ is the change in chemical shift (in ppm) and γ is the gyromagnetic ratio for ^{13}C and ^1H nuclei. Assignments for WT-TAR,¹⁰ UUCG-TAR,¹¹ and bulgeless-TAR,¹² were previously reported.

6. Representative set of binding curves obtained from Tat peptide displacement assays

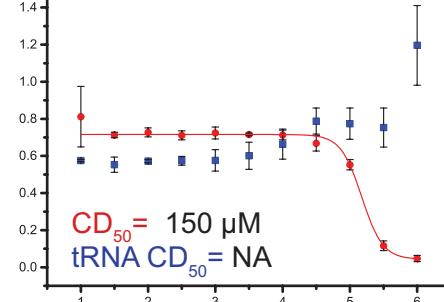
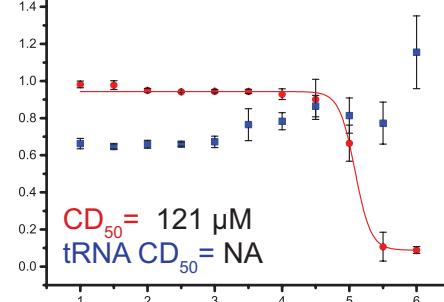
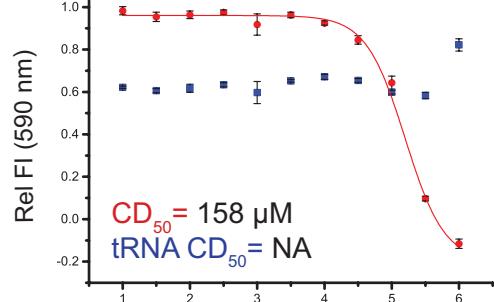
The competitive dose to displace 50% Tat from wtTAR (CD_{50}) was minimally measured in triplicate for each DMA analog with three readings being taken for each replicate. The CD_{50} was also measured in the presence of 100-fold excess tRNA (blue) to test for TAR specificity.



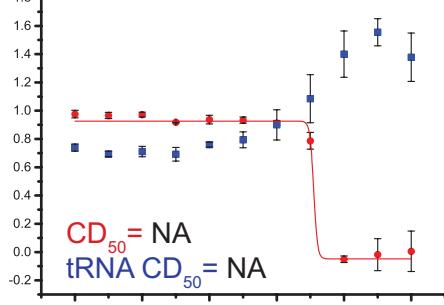
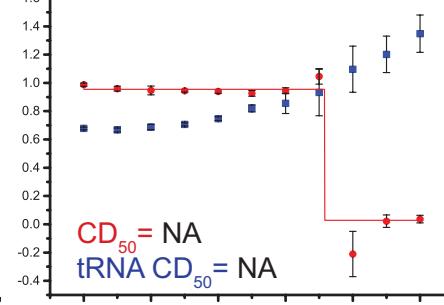
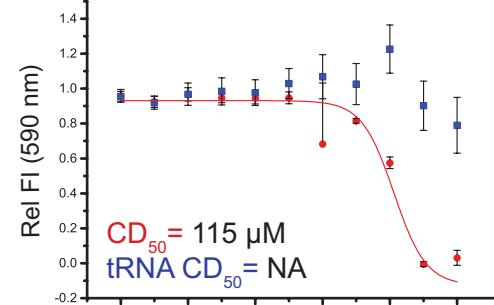
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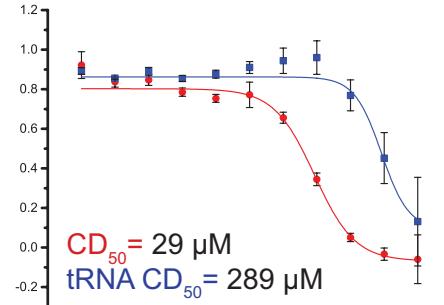
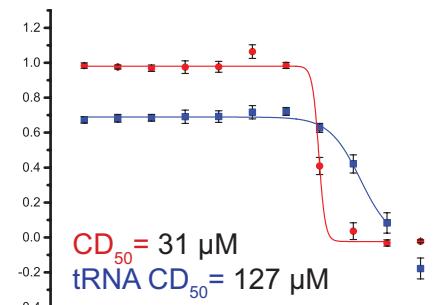
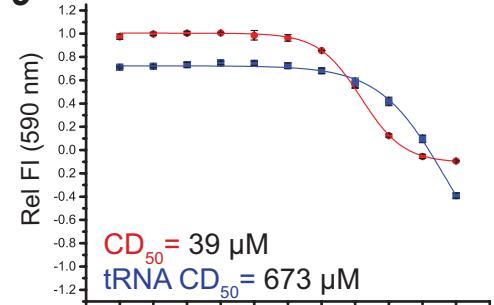
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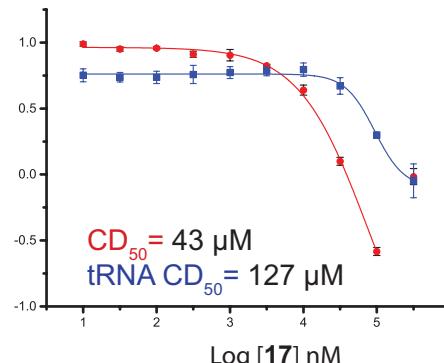
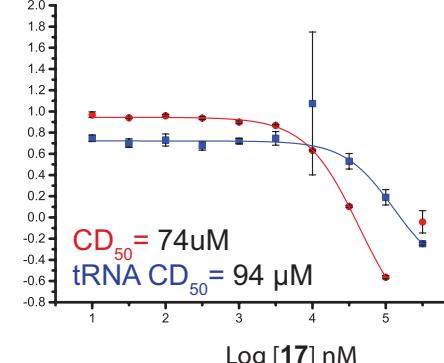
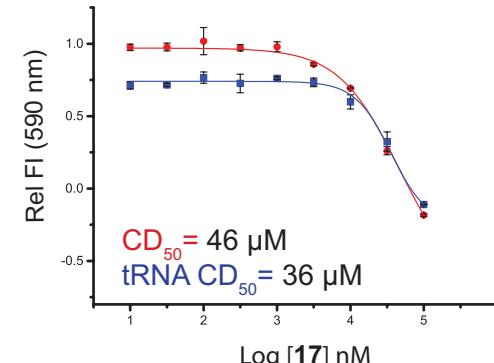
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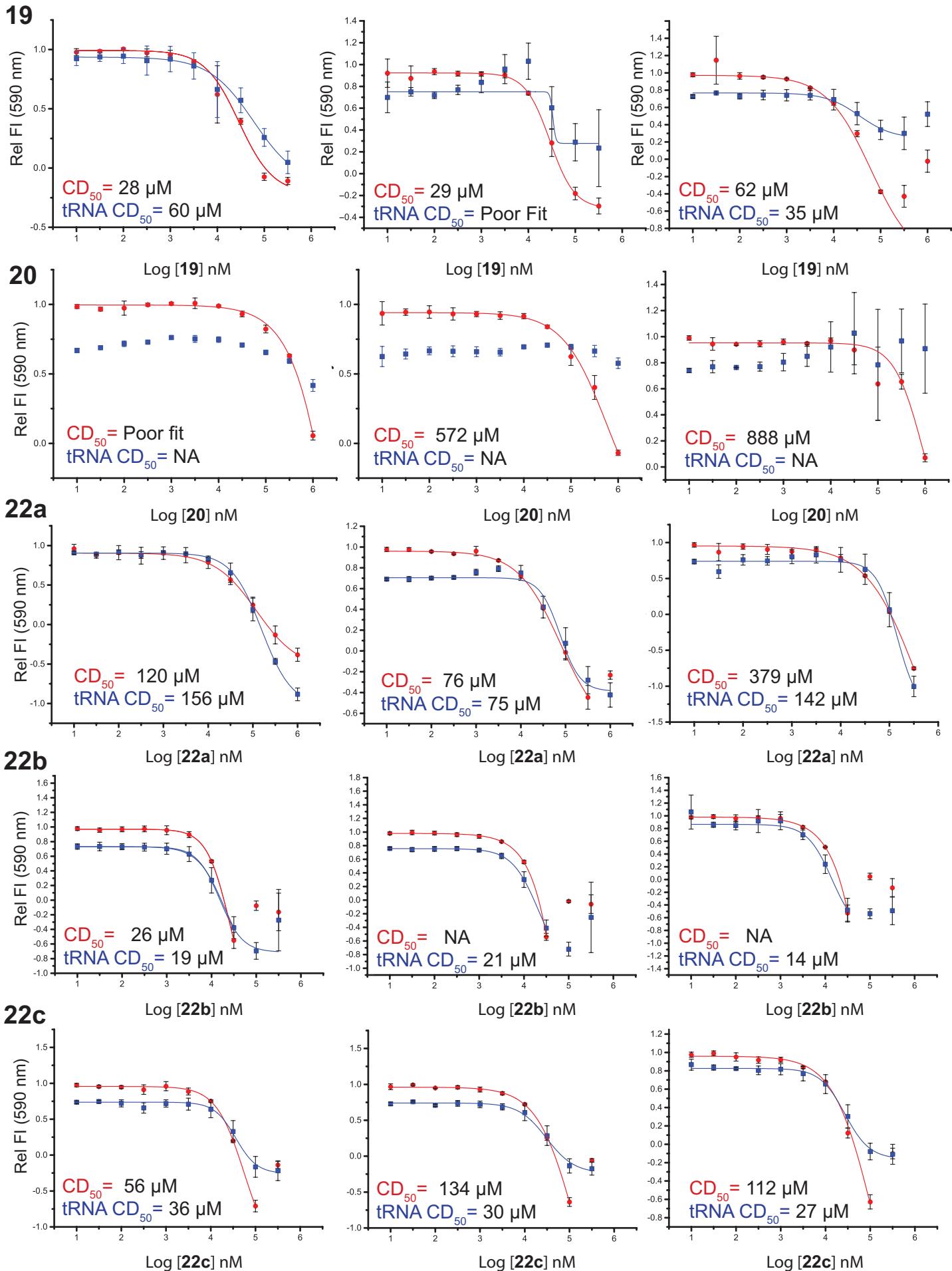


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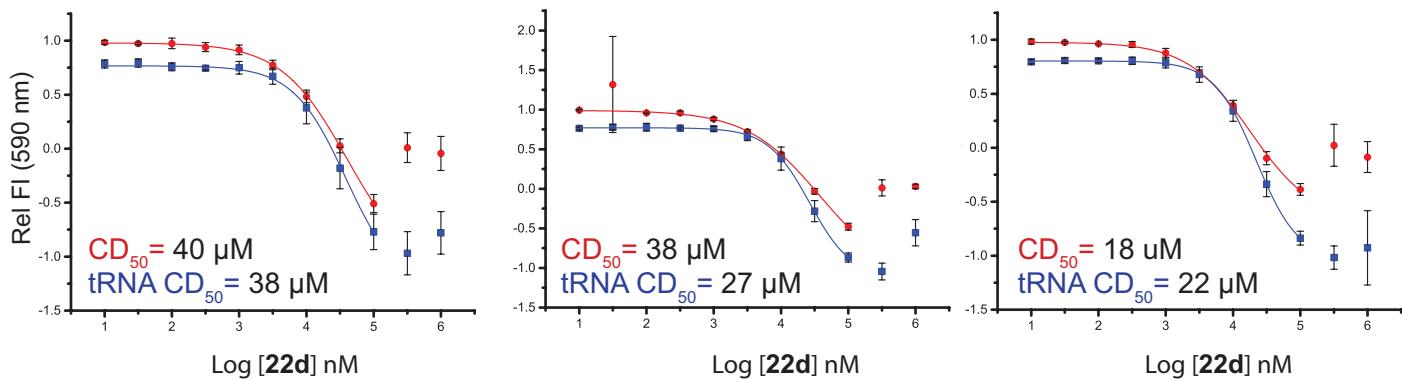


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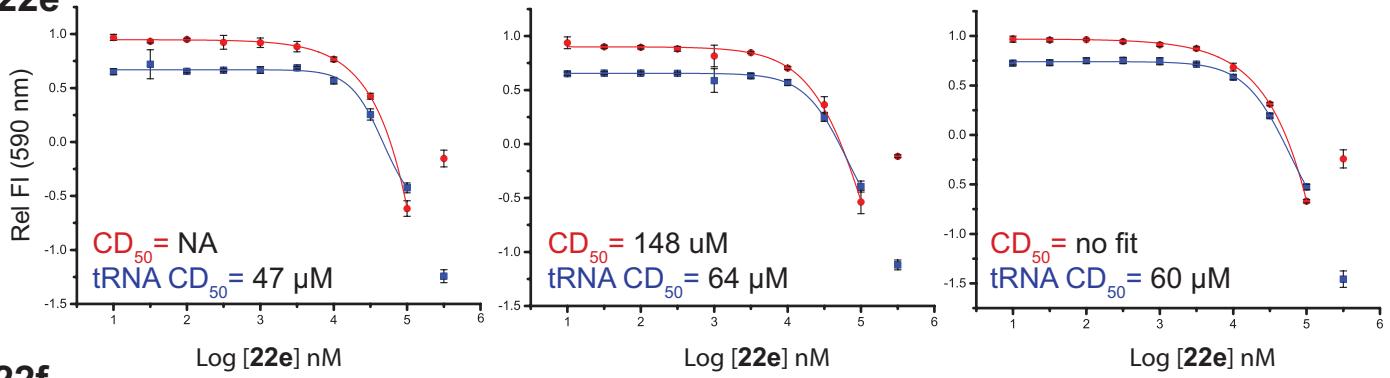




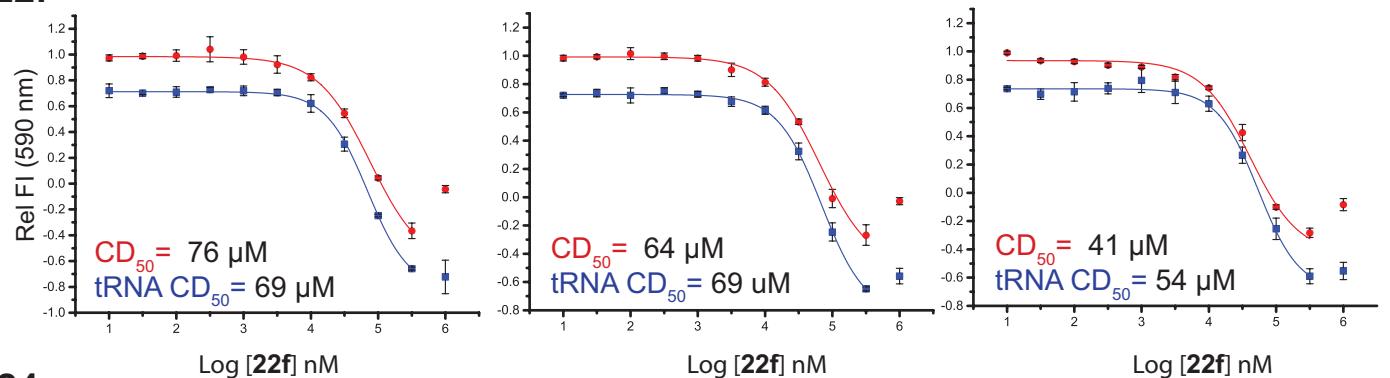
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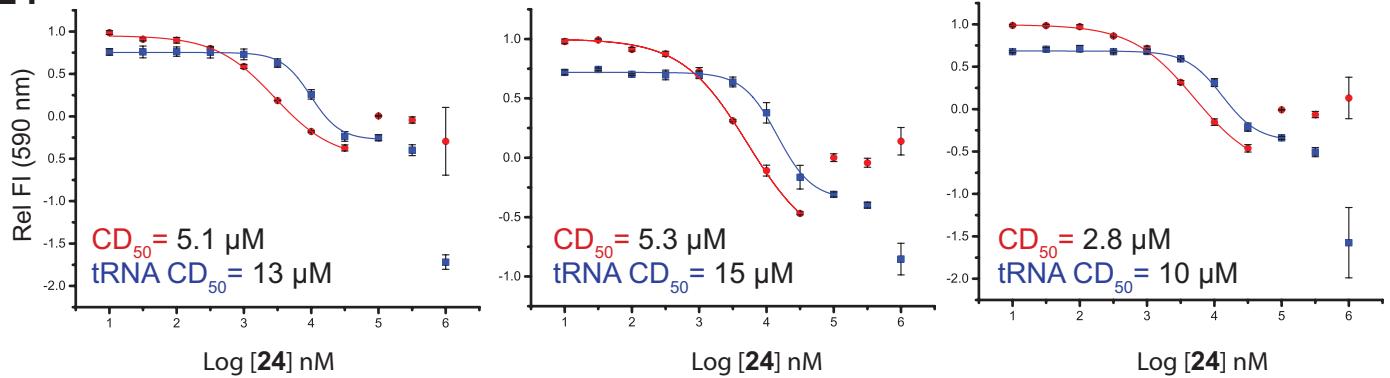
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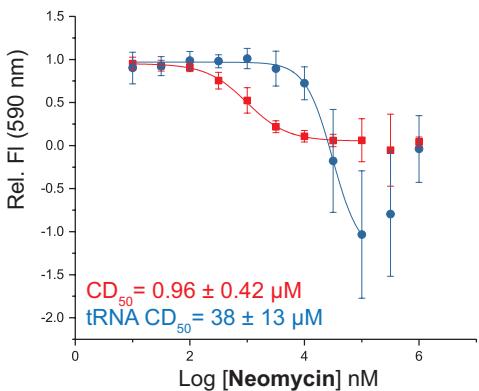
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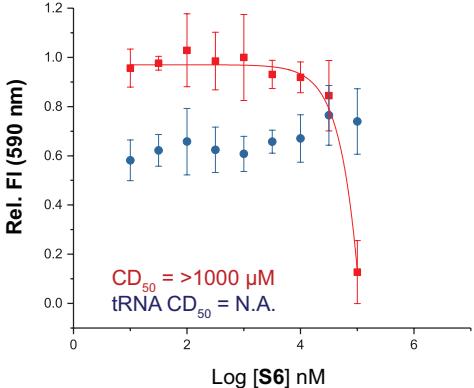
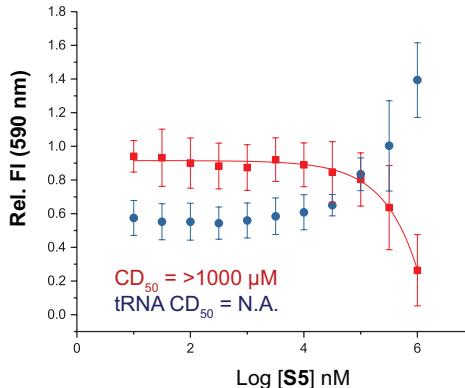
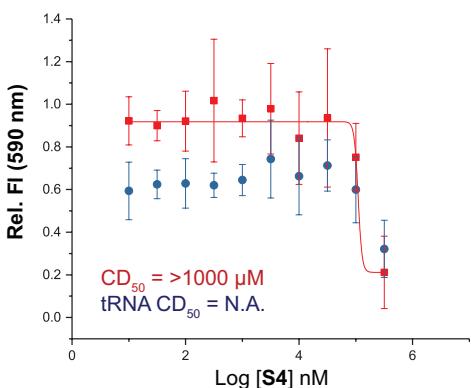
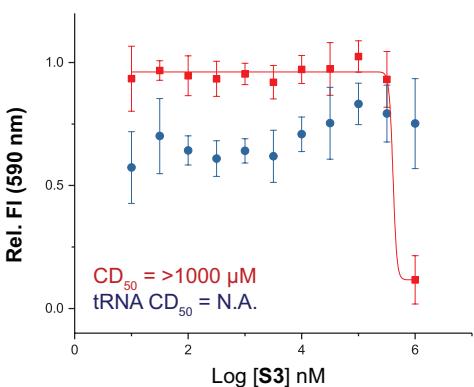
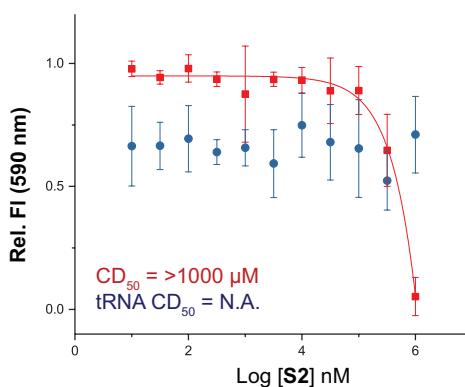
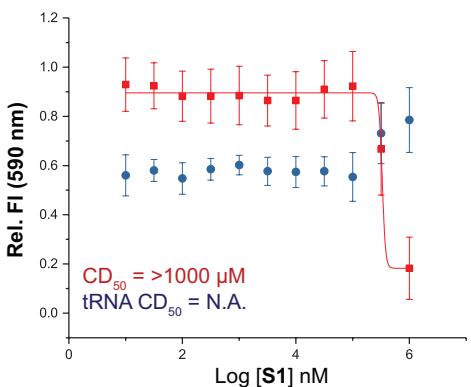
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Displacement assay results for control Neomycin B



Displacement assay results for commercial amiloride derivatives S1-S6



Displacement assay results for selected amiloride derivatives with and without 30-mer (dA-dT) DNA as control.

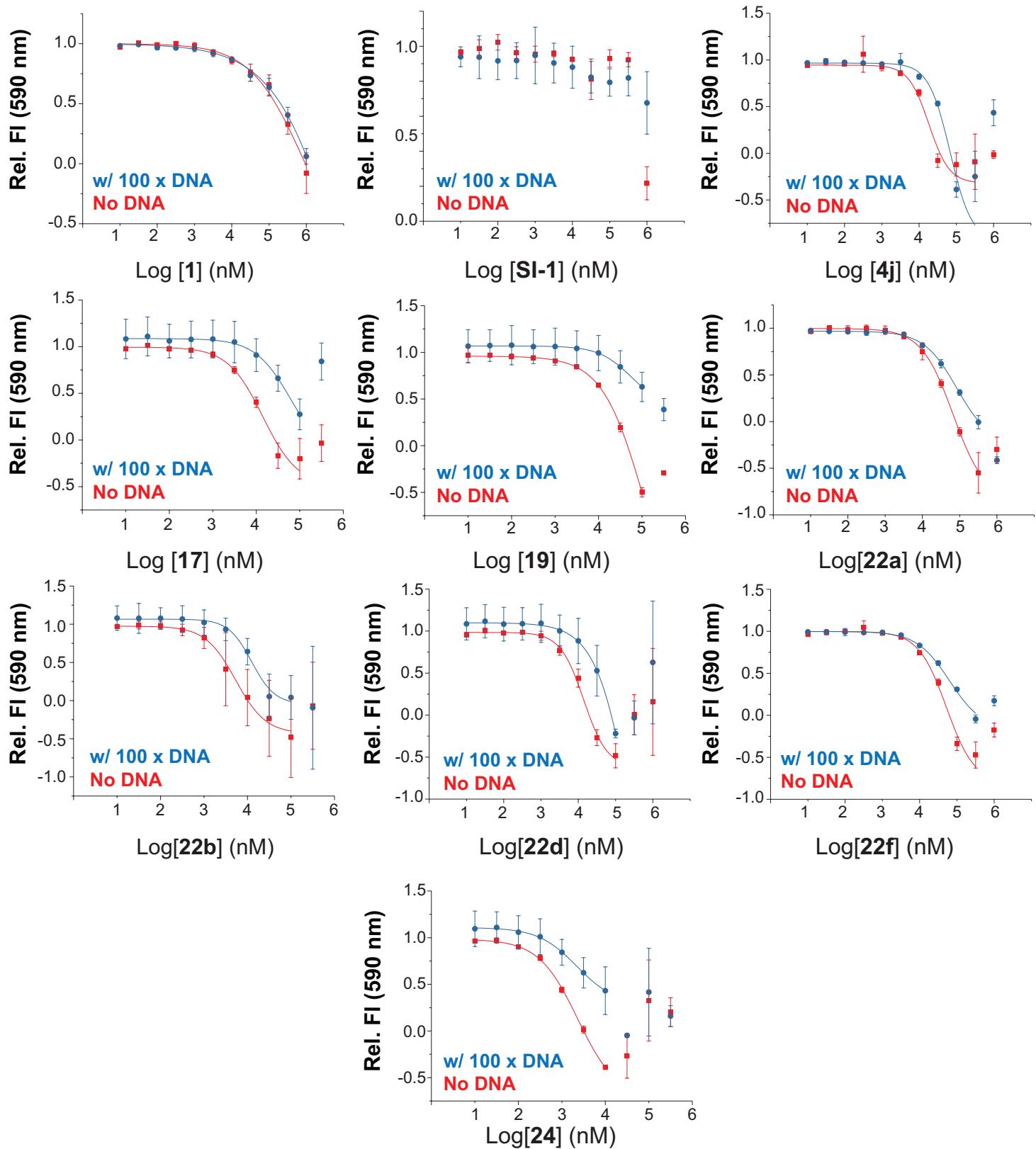
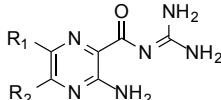
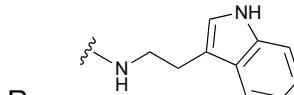
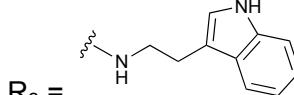
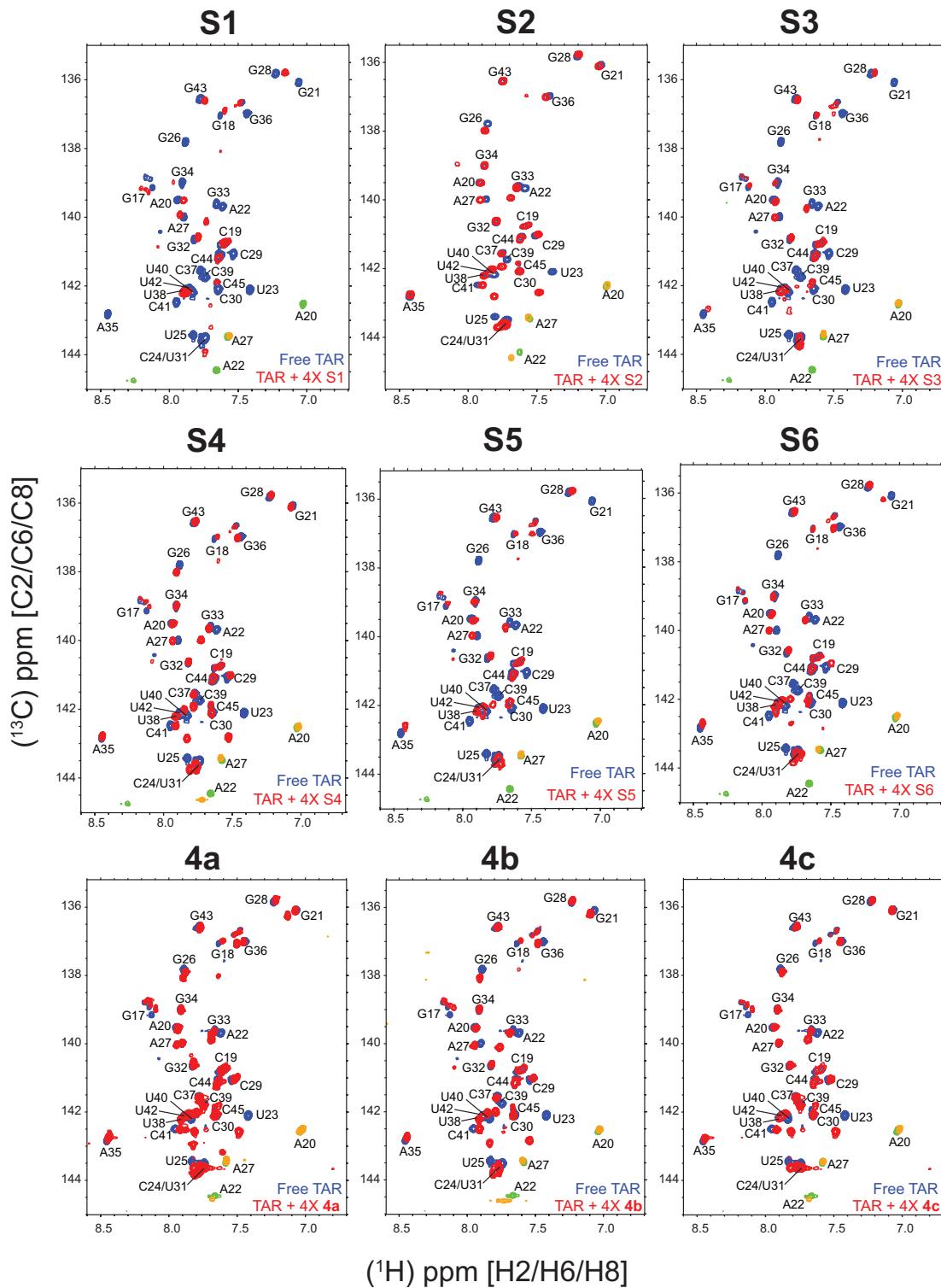


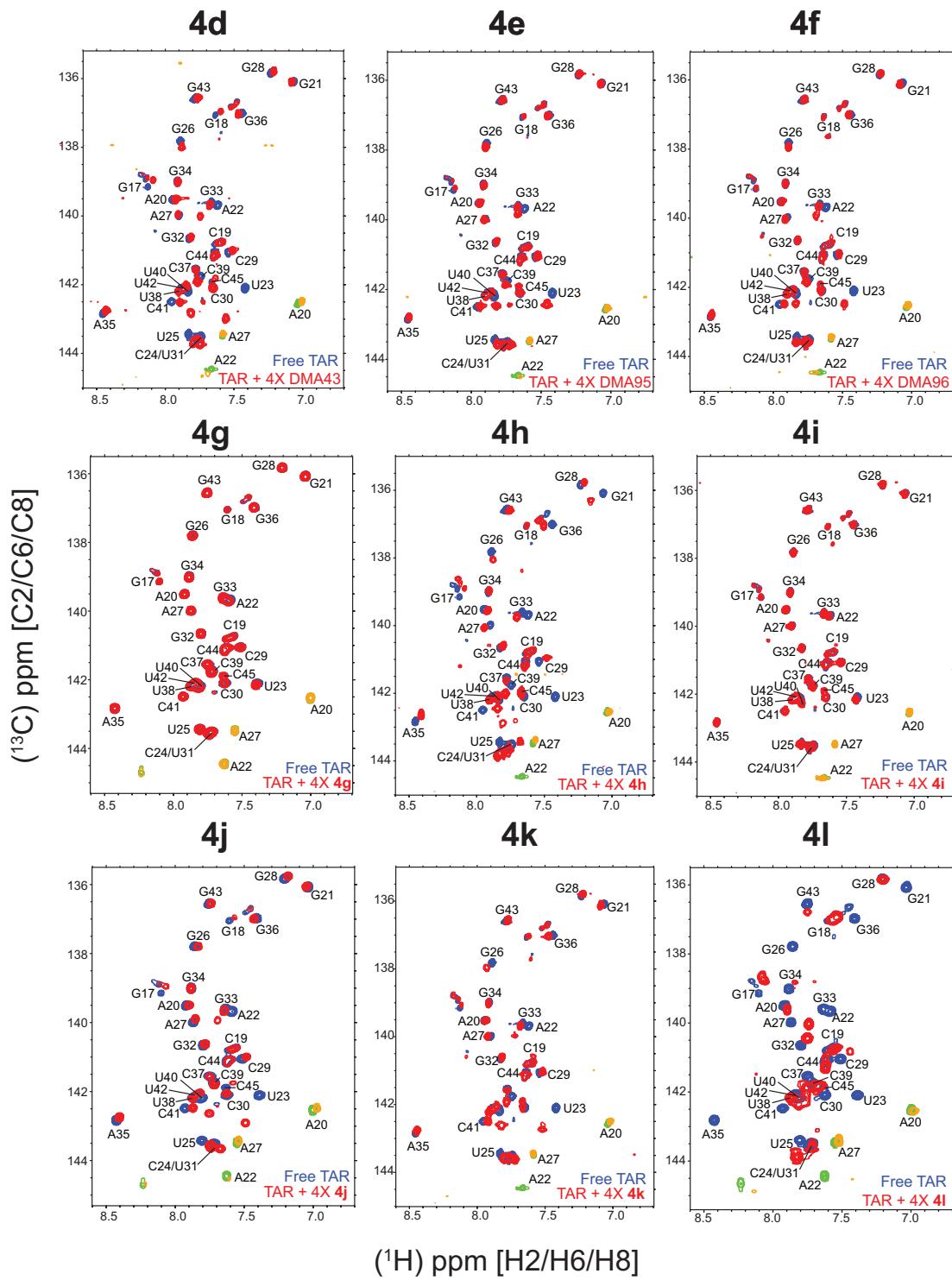
Table S1: Tat peptide displacement screening for select amiloride derivatives with DNA.

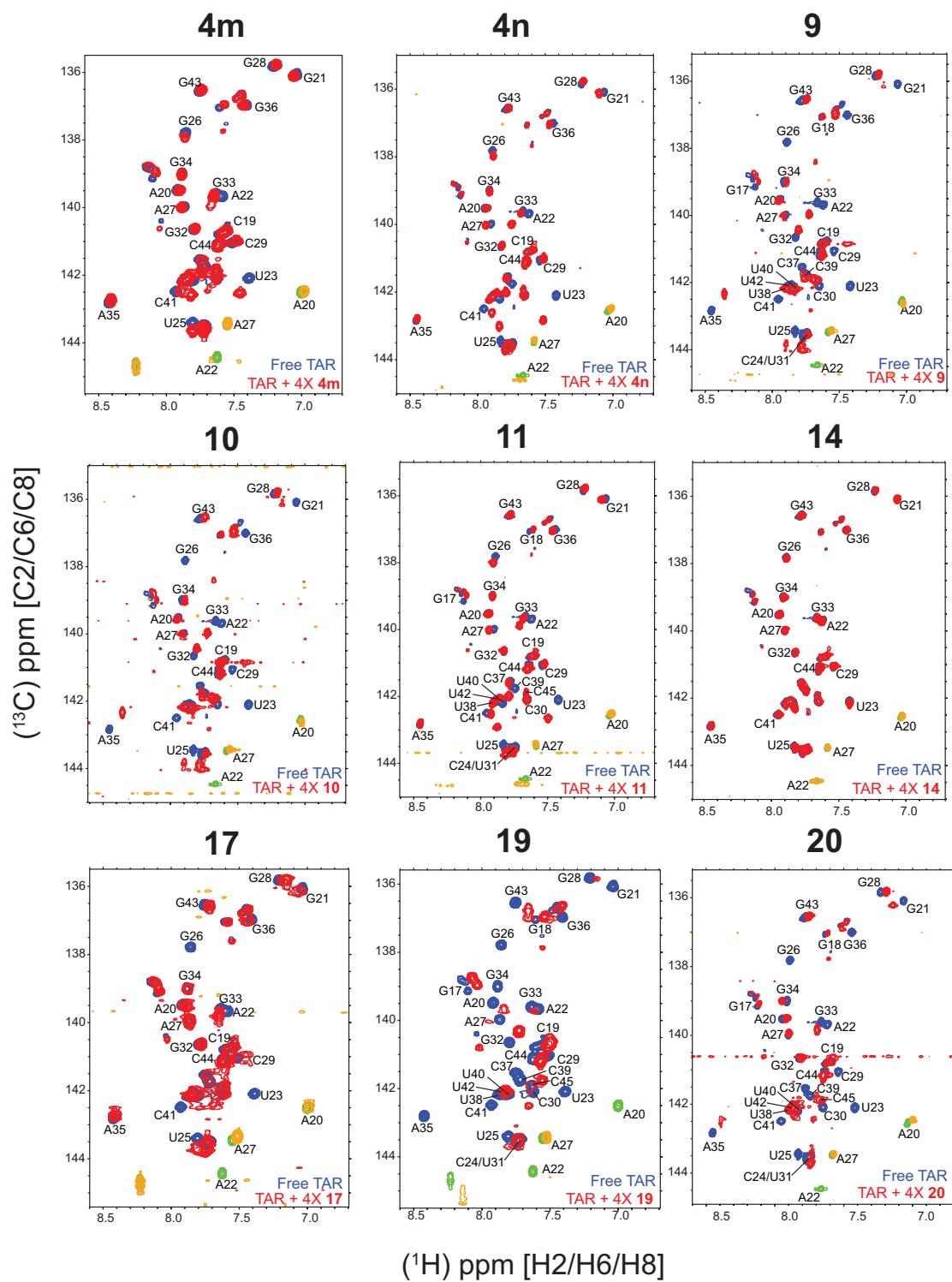
Amiloride	 R_1 R_2	CD_{50} Tat disp. w/ DNA (μM)
C(5) Substitutions ($R_1 = Cl$)		
1	$R_2 = -N(CH_3)_2$	1300 ± 5900
S1	$R_2 = -NH_2$	No Displacement
4j	$R_2 =$ 	68 ± 26
C (6) Substitutions		
17	$R_1 = C\equiv C-Ph$ $R_2 = N(CH_3)_2$	64 ± 24
19	$R_1 = C\equiv C-Ph$ $R_2 = NH_2$	58 ± 11
22a	$R_1 = Ph$ $R_2 = N(CH_3)_2$	84 ± 20
22b	$R_1 = (p-C_6H_4)-Ph$ $R_2 = N(CH_3)_2$	12 ± 1.9
22d	$R_1 = \beta\text{-naphthyl}$ $R_2 = N(CH_3)_2$	380 ± 540
22f	$R_1 = (p-C_6H_4)-F$ $R_2 = N(CH_3)_2$	63 ± 21
C(5) and C(6) Substitutions		
24	$R_1 = Ph$ $R_2 =$ 	2.2 ± 0.42

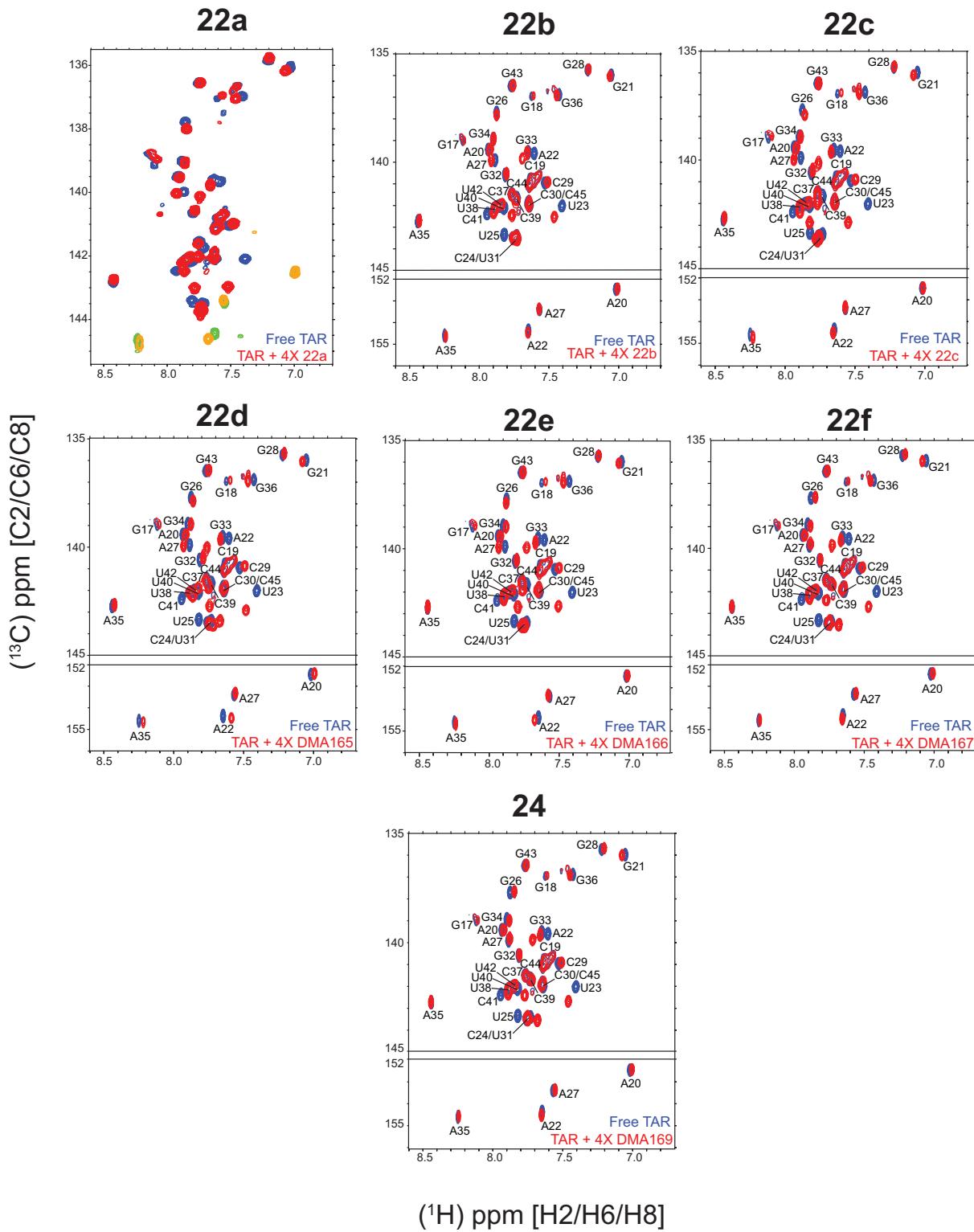
7. 2D SOFAST- [^1H - ^{13}C] HMQC NMR spectra of amiloride derivatives against TAR:

The effect of each DMA analog on the aromatic spectra of TAR was measured using a 2D SOFAST-HMQC NMR experiment. The free TAR spectra are shown in blue and the spectra of TAR with 4-fold excess small molecule are shown in red. * C2H2 peaks are folded over in the spectral window.









NMR broadening analysis

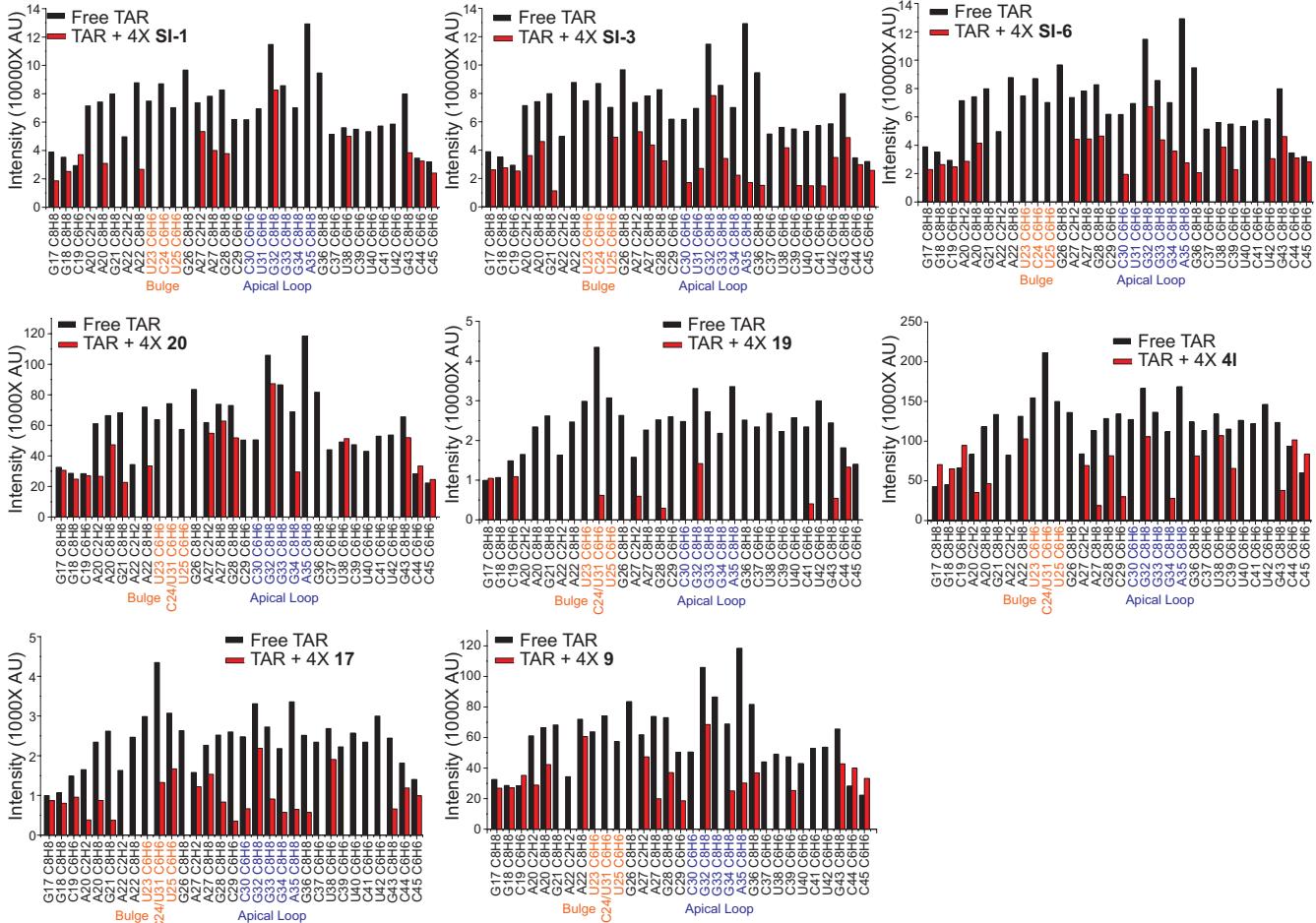


Figure S2: Comparison of peak intensities between Free TAR (black) and TAR in the presence of 4X excess molecule (red) for the eight DMA analogs that induced significant broadening to the TAR spectrum. Resonance intensities were measured in SPARKY (citation in experimental) from the ^{13}C - ^1H SOFAST-HMQC NMR experiment.

8. Heat maps of perturbations to TAR SOFAST NMR spectra –

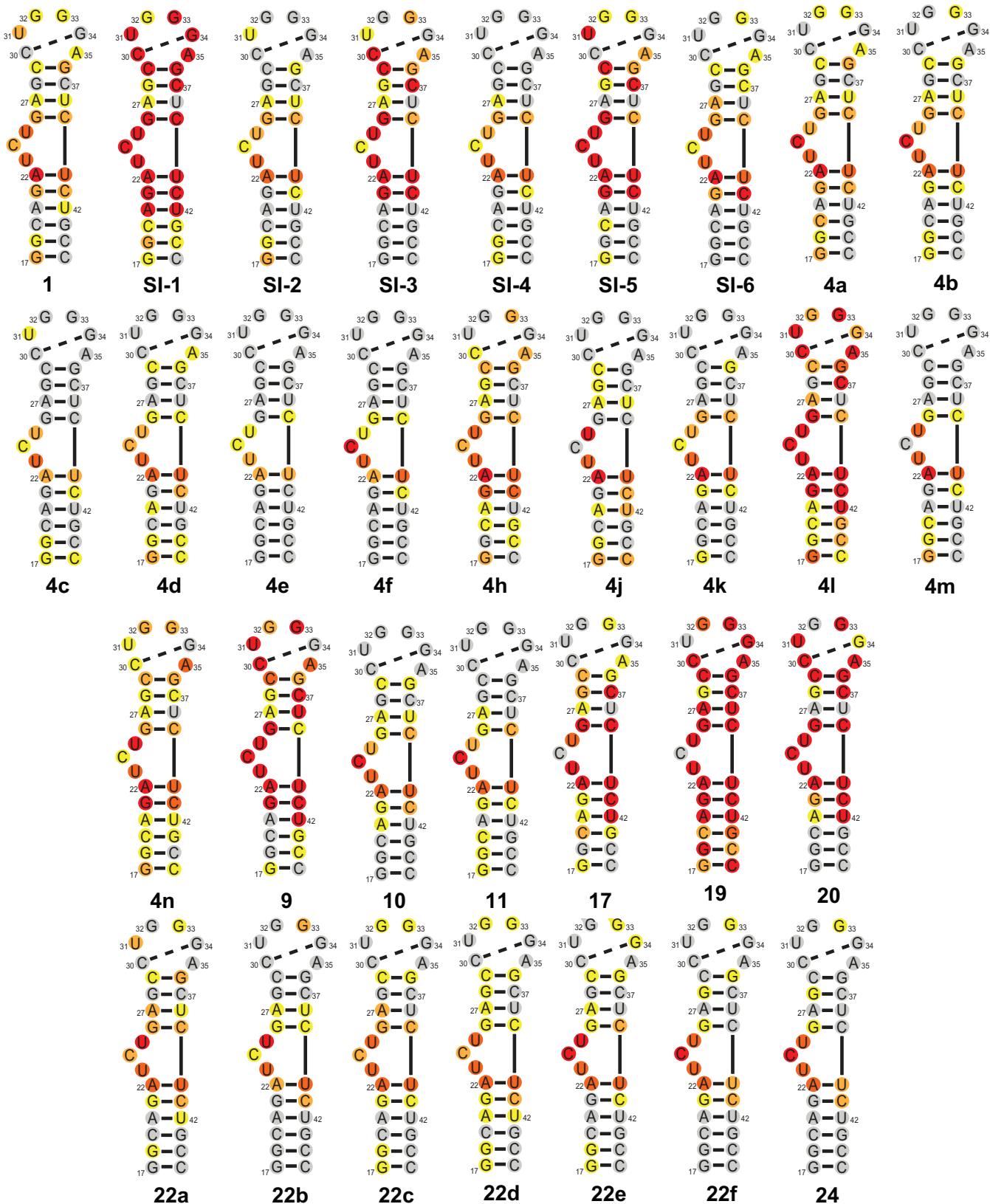


Figure S3: Heat maps showing the magnitude of chemical shift perturbations in the TAR aromatic spectrum between free TAR and DMA-bound TAR for each DMA analog.

9. Vector plots of magnitude and directions of perturbations to select TAR nucleotides by amilorides

Vector plots showing change in magnitude and direction of chemical shift perturbations in the TAR aromatic spectrum between free TAR and DMA-bound TAR for each DMA analog. The peaks listed under “Peak Missing” could not be identified in the DMA-bound spectra due to broadening or too large of a chemical shift change. Perturbations less than 0.25 ppm are considered negligible and are not included in the plot.

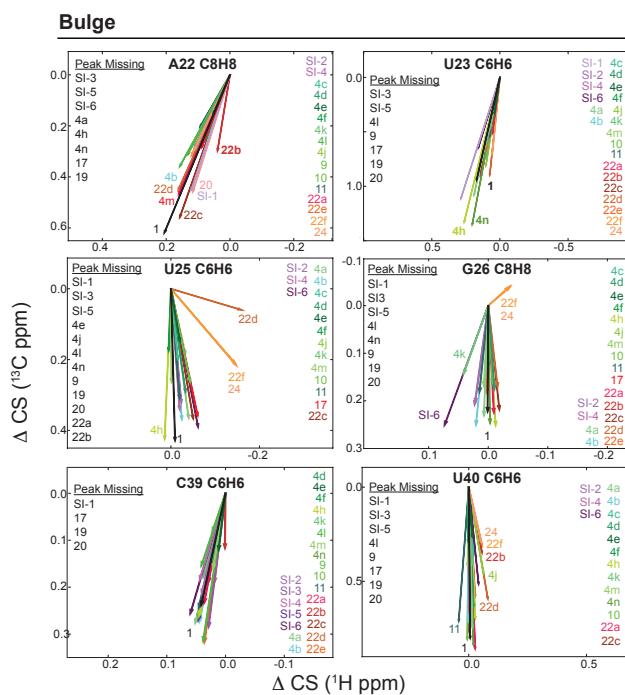


Figure S4: Vector plots for perturbations caused to signals for nucleotide residues in the bulge of HIV-1-TAR.

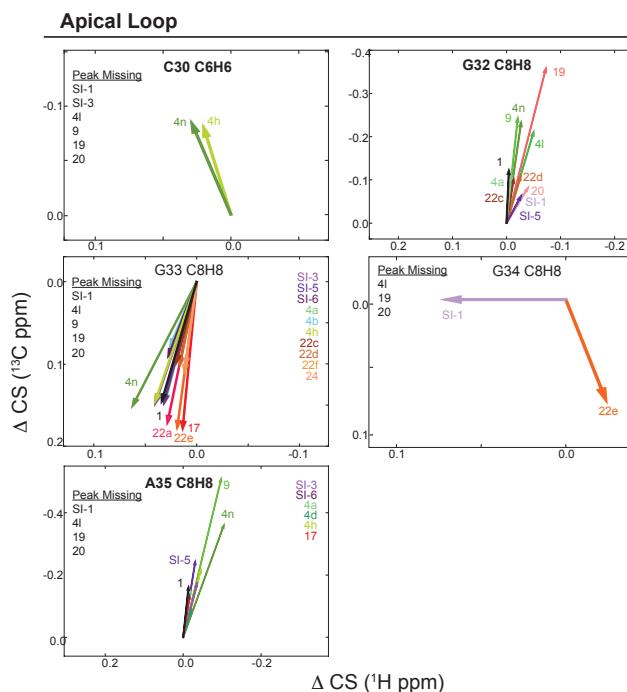


Figure S5: Vector plots for perturbations caused to signals for nucleotide residues in the apical loop of HIV-1-TAR.

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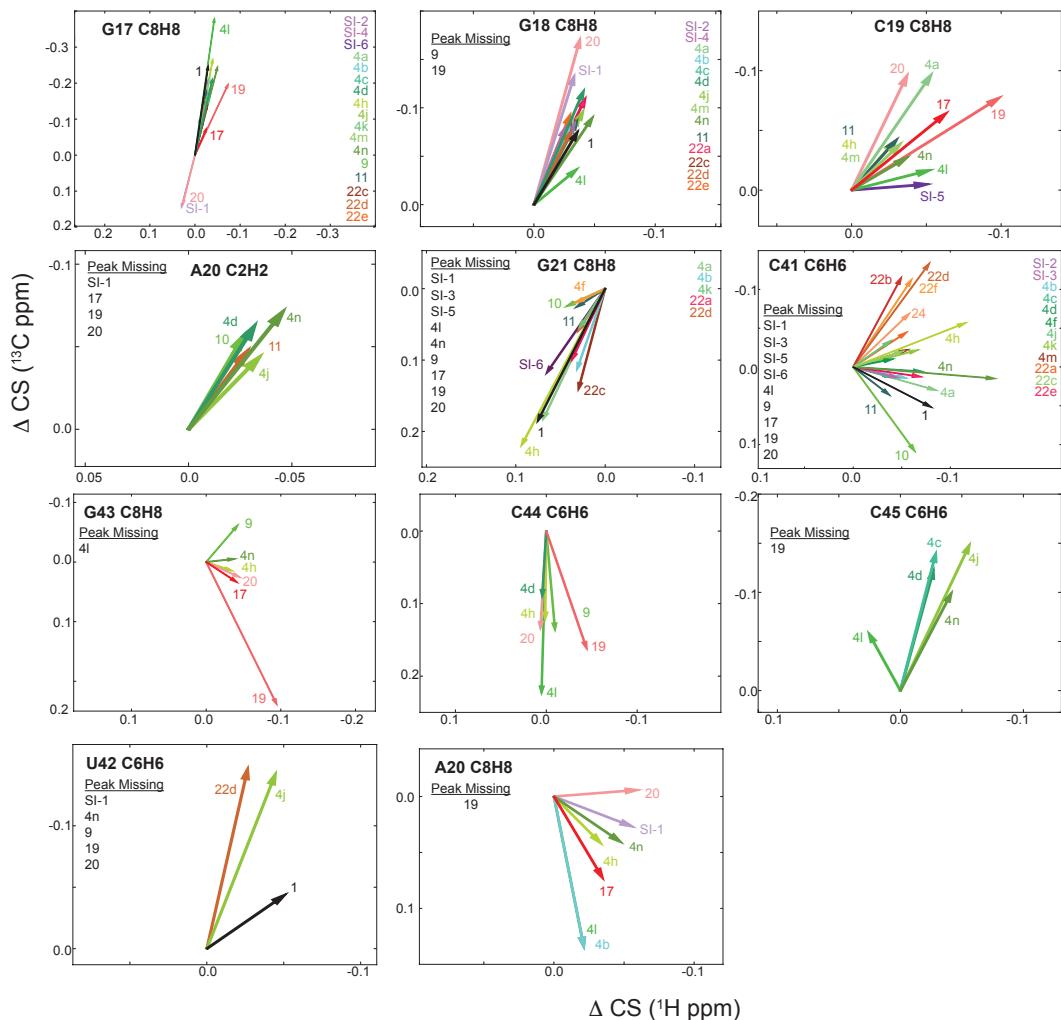


Figure S6: Vector plots for perturbations caused to signals for nucleotide residues in the lower helix of HIV-1-TAR.

Upper Helix

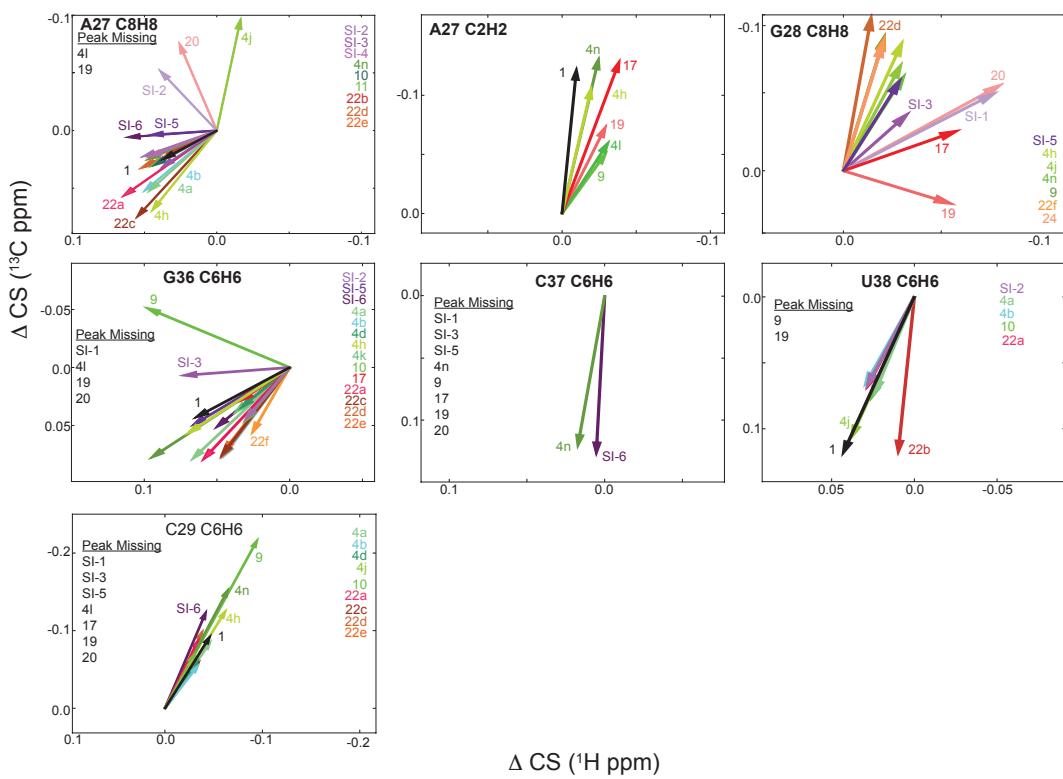


Figure S7: Vector plots for perturbations caused to signals for nucleotide residues in the upper helix of HIV-1-TAR.

10. Dynamic light scattering (DLS) experiments-

To assess aggregation in assay conditions, dynamic light scattering experiments were performed.^{13, 14} All measurements were performed on a Wyatt Dynapro Nanostar instrument using a 659 nm/100 mW laser at 100% power and a 90° detection angle at 25 °C. All measurements were performed in a 50 mM phosphate buffer with 4 mM MgCl₂ and 0.5 mM EDTA at pH 7.3. Wild type HIV-1 TAR RNA was purchased from Dharmacon as a solid and dissolved in DEPC treated water to yield a 1mM stock solution, which was annealed by heating to 90 °C and snap cooling on ice for 2 hours. This stock solution was further diluted to make the 75 nM and 50 μM solutions using the above mentioned buffer to be used in the experiments. Stock solutions of amiloride analogs in DMSO (50 mM) were diluted to 1mM concentration also using above buffer. Acquisition times of 10s were collected in 20 replicates, and analyzed using the cumulant fit tool in the Dynamics (6.11.1.3) software with phosphate buffer as the referenced solvent.

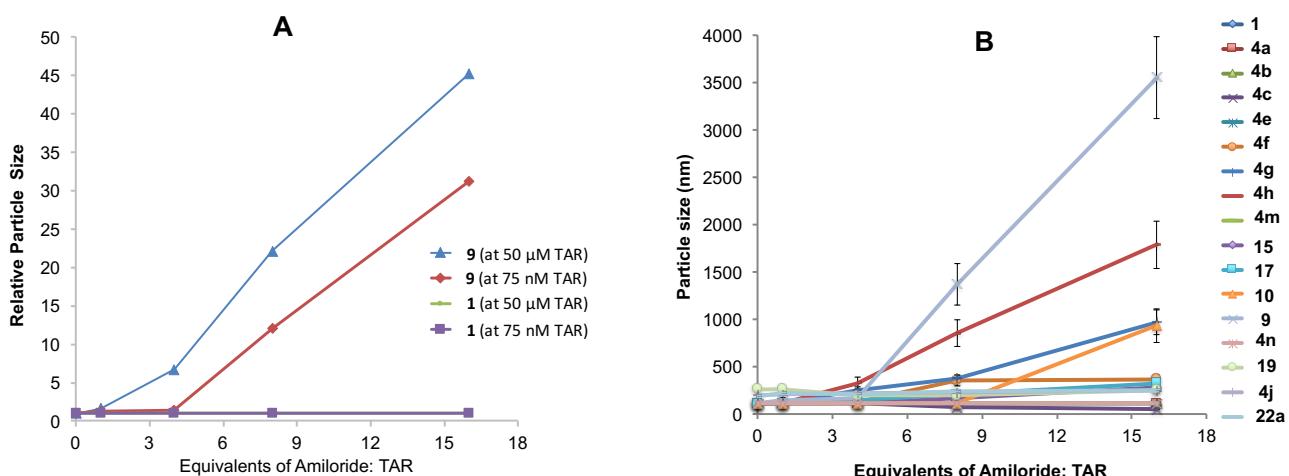


Figure S8: Change in particle sizes upon treatment of TAR with select amiloride derivatives as measured by dynamic light scattering. A. Results for screening of a representative set of amilorides vs TAR - Conditions: 75 nM TAR, (1, 4, 8, 16) × DMA; Buffer: 10 mM Na₂HPO₄, 0.1 mM EDTA, 50 mM KCl, pH = 7.3.; B. Results for DLS experiments at two different RNA concentrations (75 nM and 50 μM) with DMA-1 and DMA-148

As seen in figure S8 above, the molecules were first analyzed at concentrations ranging from 75 nM to 800 μM. Only two molecules resulted in detectable scattering signals: **4c**, which displayed no activity in the displacement assay but binding by NMR, and **10**, which displayed interference in the displacement assay. Measurements were then made at four different small molecule:TAR ratios: 0:1:1, 4:1, 8:1, and 16:1, at a concentration similar to that used in the displacement assay (75 nm). While particles of 80 nm size were observed in TAR-only solutions, most DMA analogs demonstrated no increase in particle size or count. Compound **9**, which displayed broadening by NMR, showed a 30-fold increase in particle size, whereas **4h**, showed similar albeit smaller particle size change, which indicated that the observed large perturbations in the NMR assays, and potent displacement activity of this compound may have resulted from aggregation. Finally, **4g**, which was observed to be inactive in the displacement assay and have weak binding in the NMR and ITC experiments, as well as **10**, which showed interference in the displacement assay and weak perturbations in the NMR experiments, both showed increase in particle size at 1:8 and 1:16 ratios. Furthermore, at the high concentrations of TAR used in the NMR assays (50 μM), most amiloride derivatives showed no increase in particle size whereas **9** showed similar 30-fold increase in particle size. Interestingly, at both the low (75 nM) and high (50 μM) concentrations of TAR, the same particle size of 80 nm was observed, consistent with the formation of discrete aggregates. We are currently in the process of de-convoluting this observation but can conclude that presence of large aggregates is likely not responsible for the NMR signal broadening.

Section C. Docking:

11. Procedure for docking of amilorides to TAR conformers:

Docking runs were conducted by using the program Internal Coordinate Mechanics (ICM, Molsoft) v. ICM-3.8,¹⁵ to evaluate the interaction energies of the set of amiloride derivatives against the ensemble of 20 TAR RNA conformers previously reported.¹⁶ Each TAR conformer was uploaded to ICM in PDB format and converted to an ICM object, including optimizing hydrogens. Binding pockets for each conformer were identified using the PocketFinder module of ICM using a tolerance value of 4.6. All atoms within 5 Å of the predicted binding pockets were used to generate receptor maps and atom occupancy was weighted. The 2D structures of all amiloride derivatives were generated in ChemDraw Professional (15.1.). The guanidine groups were protonated ($pK_a \sim 8.7$ based on literature evidence as discussed in the text), and basic nitrogens on substituents at C5 positions were also protonated where appropriate. These structures were uploaded to ICM in SDF file format and converted to 3D structures. The ligand is allowed to be fully flexible during docking, while the TAR receptors remain rigid. Docking was run with a thoroughness value of 10, flexible ring sampling level 2, and covalent geometry relaxed. Each ligand: conformer complex was assigned an ICM score that is representative of a binding free energy (kcal/mol). These scores were used to calculate the fractional population of all 20 conformers for each ligand using the Boltzmann distribution, $P = \frac{e^{-\Delta G_i/RT}}{\sum_{i=1}^n e^{-\Delta G_i/RT}}$, where P is the population of conformer i , ΔG is the binding free energy given by the docking score, R is the gas constant and T is the temperature (298K). A population-weighted average score was given as the final score for each ligand.

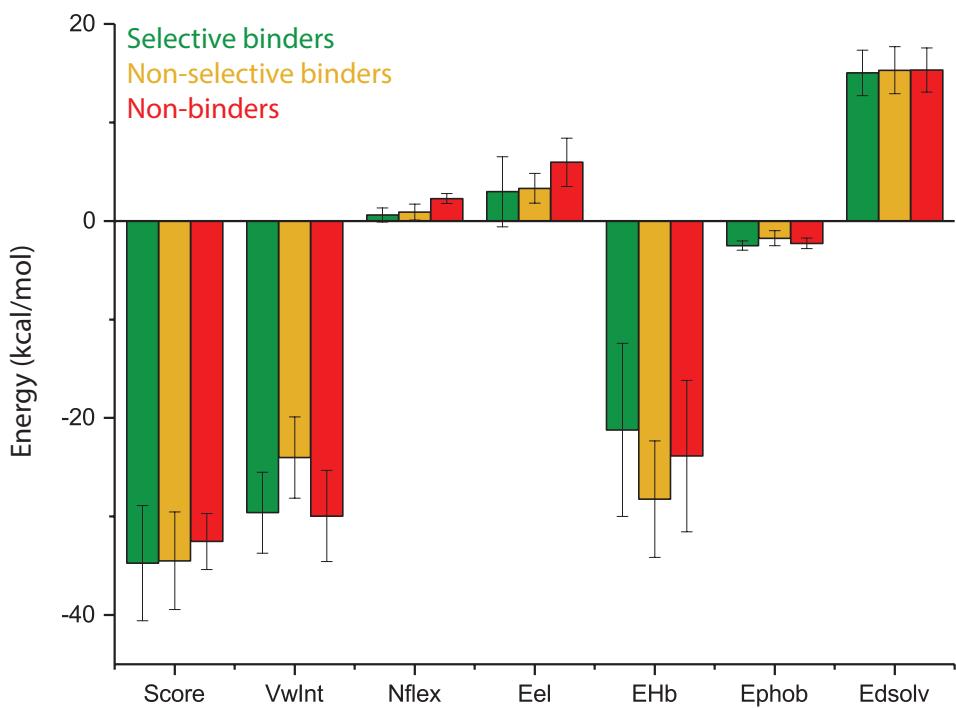


Figure S9: Correlation of components of scoring function with amiloride derivative selectivity performance in Tat displacement assay Average docking predicted energy terms for the preferred poses (>25% populated) of selective TAR binders (group A, green), non-selective TAR binders (group B, yellow) and non-bindlers (group D, red). The score is equal to the sum of the individual energy terms: van der Waals (VwInt), number of rotatable bonds (Nflex), solvation electrostatics (Eel), hydrogen bonding (EHb), hydrophobic energy of exposing the surface to water (Ephob), and the desolvation of exposed hydrogen bond donors and acceptors (Edsolv). Error bars represent the standard deviation over all ligands in the specified group.

Table S2: ICM Docking scores of amiloride derivatives.

Amiloride Derivative	Boltzmann-weighted binding scores (kcal•mol ⁻¹)
1	-35.56782313
4a	-27.841998
4b	-31.349704
4c	-29.73672976
4d	-35.97159142
4e	-29.24569534
4f	-29.37329605
4g	-33.62527575
4h	-42.9942
4i	-36.33301053
4j	-38.02843844
4k	-32.43513072
4l	-41.35554419
4m	-35.90501215
4n	-33.6490109
9	-34.1002509
10	-41.32299994
11	-30.54097496
14	-33.09232398
17	-40.17249638
19	-35.52643949
20	-31.99297286
22a	-28.98598285
22b	-36.83502557
22c	-31.76839435
22d	-34.85600707
22e	-31.58446004
22f	-29.12839243
24	-50.5804

Section D: Cheminformatics:

Cheminformatics were determined using the Wenderski-Tan parameters as calculated by IJchem (ChemAxon).¹⁷ Tanimoto coefficients were calculated using Openbabel 2.3.2,¹⁸ while adherence to the Lipinski's rules was predicted for each amiloride derivative using the MolProp TK function of OpenEye. AlogPS v.2.1 was used to determine logP and logS of the neutral compounds. Charges were determined using the pKa prediction tool from MarvinView (ChemAxon), and taking the species predicted to be have the greatest abundance at pH 7.4. PCA and LDA analyses on the cheminformatics parameters was conducted using XLstat, a plugin for Microsoft Excel. Statistical significance was determined using the multiple t-test algorithm in GraphPad Prism 6. (**SI11-14**). None of the 34 derivatives were identified as Pan Assay Interference (PAINS) compounds using the online PAINS analysis tool.¹⁹

12. Tanimoto coefficients

Tanimoto Coefficients were calculated using the fingerprint method from OpenBabel. To produce the heatmap of Tanimoto coefficients for all vs. all small molecules, the SDF file of each DMA derivative generated during docking (see pages S124-S125) was used as a Tanimoto reference, and the coefficient calculated for every other DMA derivative.

Table S3: Tanimoto coefficients for amiloride derivatives

	1	4a	4b	4c	4c	11	20	19	4e	4f	4g	4h	4i	4j	4k	4l	4m	15	22a	17	10	9	22b	22c	4n	22d	22e	22f	24	
1	1.000	0.721	0.895	0.776	0.745	0.669	0.854	0.523	0.816	0.760	0.782	0.841	0.694	0.669	0.745	0.721	0.707	0.590	0.628	0.591	0.755	0.822	0.607	0.591	0.841	0.623	0.615	0.587	0.474	
4a	0.854	1.000	0.963	0.845	0.812	0.663	0.615	0.474	0.797	0.840	0.902	0.832	0.758	0.731	0.755	0.786	0.816	0.614	0.564	0.535	0.753	0.888	0.548	0.535	0.832	0.561	0.554	0.559	0.518	
4b	0.822	0.963	1.000	0.817	0.786	0.645	0.593	0.469	0.777	0.825	0.784	0.804	0.735	0.742	0.762	0.825	0.607	0.548	0.528	0.730	0.837	0.532	0.520	0.804	0.544	0.538	0.543	0.505		
4c	0.776	0.845	0.817	1.000	0.960	0.689	0.559	0.506	0.836	0.773	0.781	0.752	0.894	0.861	0.791	0.778	0.744	0.663	0.595	0.565	0.768	0.792	0.572	0.560	0.752	0.592	0.585	0.589	0.624	
4d	0.745	0.812	0.786	0.960	1.000	0.667	0.537	0.489	0.804	0.746	0.753	0.724	0.861	0.831	0.817	0.751	0.719	0.644	0.575	0.546	0.741	0.761	0.559	0.546	0.724	0.571	0.565	0.614	0.605	
11	0.669	0.663	0.645	0.659	0.667	1.000	0.482	0.447	0.716	0.634	0.638	0.713	0.772	0.635	0.667	0.633	0.607	0.580	0.516	0.500	0.739	0.747	0.503	0.493	0.713	0.513	0.508	0.498	0.470	
20	0.721	0.615	0.593	0.559	0.537	0.482	1.000	0.656	0.588	0.548	0.563	0.606	0.500	0.482	0.537	0.519	0.510	0.426	0.640	0.597	0.544	0.645	0.597	0.606	0.635	0.625	0.593	0.485		
19	0.523	0.474	0.469	0.586	0.489	0.447	0.656	1.000	0.518	0.441	0.433	0.468	0.469	0.447	0.453	0.438	0.422	0.614	0.910	0.494	0.595	0.590	0.610	0.603	0.577	0.477				
4e	0.816	0.797	0.771	0.836	0.804	0.716	0.588	0.518	1.000	0.741	0.738	0.787	0.751	0.746	0.913	0.747	0.703	0.696	0.611	0.579	0.862	0.831	0.602	0.588	0.787	0.607	0.610	0.585	0.540	
4f	0.760	0.840	0.825	0.773	0.746	0.634	0.548	0.441	0.741	1.000	0.823	0.748	0.700	0.677	0.705	0.754	0.772	0.598	0.514	0.497	0.684	0.788	0.516	0.505	0.748	0.511	0.522	0.511	0.486	
4g	0.782	0.902	0.884	0.781	0.753	0.638	0.563	0.443	0.738	0.823	1.000	0.779	0.716	0.683	0.702	0.731	0.749	0.594	0.526	0.500	0.710	0.810	0.511	0.500	0.779	0.523	0.517	0.522	0.488	
4h	0.841	0.832	0.804	0.752	0.724	0.713	0.606	0.468	0.787	0.748	0.779	1.000	0.678	0.656	0.724	0.733	0.690	0.592	0.548	0.529	0.872	0.939	0.532	0.520	1.000	0.545	0.538	0.526	0.469	
4i	0.694	0.758	0.735	0.884	0.861	0.772	0.469	0.751	0.700	0.716	0.678	0.781	0.700	0.771	0.777	0.677	0.619	0.541	0.523	0.696	0.711	0.526	0.515	0.678	0.538	0.532	0.536	0.581		
4j	0.669	0.731	0.710	0.861	0.831	0.635	0.492	0.447	0.746	0.677	0.683	0.656	0.791	1.000	0.712	0.749	0.656	0.609	0.524	0.500	0.701	0.686	0.510	0.500	0.656	0.529	0.515	0.520	0.474	
4k	0.745	0.755	0.742	0.791	0.817	0.667	0.537	0.481	0.913	0.705	0.702	0.724	0.717	0.712	1.000	0.712	0.672	0.660	0.566	0.538	0.794	0.761	0.559	0.546	0.724	0.563	0.565	0.521		
4l	0.721	0.786	0.762	0.778	0.751	0.633	0.519	0.453	0.747	0.754	0.731	0.723	0.723	0.707	0.749	0.712	0.690	0.576	0.525	0.508	0.701	0.748	0.527	0.532	0.723	0.522	0.533	0.521	0.545	
4m	0.707	0.816	0.825	0.744	0.719	0.607	0.510	0.438	0.703	0.772	0.749	0.690	0.677	0.656	0.672	0.690	1.000	0.590	0.500	0.492	0.652	0.724	0.495	0.477	0.690	0.497	0.492	0.497	0.475	
15	0.590	0.614	0.607	0.663	0.644	0.580	0.426	0.422	0.696	0.598	0.594	0.592	0.619	0.609	0.660	0.576	0.590	1.000	0.0476	0.470	0.634	0.608	0.465	0.457	0.592	0.474	0.470	0.462	0.483	
22a	0.628	0.564	0.548	0.595	0.575	0.516	0.640	0.614	0.514	0.526	0.548	0.541	0.524	0.566	0.525	0.500	0.476	1.000	0.682	0.572	0.576	0.962	0.933	0.548	0.922	0.977	0.926	0.727		
17	0.591	0.535	0.528	0.565	0.546	0.500	0.597	0.579	0.497	0.500	0.529	0.523	0.500	0.538	0.508	0.492	0.470	0.682	1.000	0.552	0.545	0.660	0.654	0.529	0.677	0.669	0.640	0.530		
10	0.755	0.753	0.730	0.768	0.761	0.739	0.544	0.494	0.862	0.710	0.872	0.699	0.701	0.794	0.701	0.764	0.700	0.634	0.572	1.000	0.844	0.556	0.544	0.872	0.569	0.565	0.549	0.512		
9	0.895	0.868	0.837	0.792	0.761	0.747	0.645	0.482	0.831	0.788	0.810	0.939	0.711	0.686	0.761	0.748	0.724	0.608	0.576	0.545	0.844	1.000	0.558	0.545	0.939	0.572	0.565	0.551	0.487	
22b	0.607	0.548	0.532	0.578	0.559	0.503	0.615	0.595	0.602	0.516	0.511	0.532	0.526	0.510	0.559	0.527	0.495	0.465	0.962	0.660	0.556	0.558	1.000	0.941	0.532	0.954	0.985	0.893	0.706	
22c	0.591	0.535	0.520	0.565	0.546	0.493	0.597	0.590	0.588	0.505	0.500	0.520	0.515	0.500	0.546	0.532	0.477	0.457	0.933	0.654	0.544	0.545	0.941	1.000	0.520	0.926	0.955	0.868	0.691	
4n	0.841	0.832	0.804	0.752	0.724	0.713	0.606	0.468	0.787	0.779	1.000	0.678	0.656	0.724	0.723	0.729	0.592	0.548	0.529	0.872	0.939	0.532	0.520	1.000	0.545	0.538	0.526	0.469		
22d	0.623	0.661	0.544	0.592	0.571	0.513	0.635	0.610	0.607	0.511	0.523	0.545	0.538	0.529	0.497	0.474	0.992	0.677	0.569	0.572	0.954	0.926	0.545	1.000	0.669	0.919	0.733			
22e	0.615	0.554	0.538	0.585	0.565	0.608	0.625	0.603	0.610	0.522	0.577	0.538	0.532	0.515	0.565	0.533	0.492	0.470	0.977	0.669	0.563	0.565	0.985	0.955	0.538	0.969	1.000	0.714		
22f	0.587	0.559	0.543	0.589	0.614	0.498	0.593	0.577	0.585	0.511	0.522	0.526	0.536	0.520	0.605	0.521	0.497	0.462	0.926	0.640	0.549	0.551	0.893	0.868	0.526	0.919	0.906	1.000	0.715	
24	0.474	0.518	0.505	0.624	0.605	0.470	0.485	0.486	0.488	0.469	0.581	0.472	0.545	0.475	0.483	0.727	0.530	0.512	0.487	0.706	0.691	0.469	0.733	0.714	0.715	1.000				

Table S4: Wanderski-Tan cheminformatic parameters used to classify amiloride derivatives

Comp No.	Class (NMR)	Class (CD50)	MW	logD	HBA	HBD	RotB	tPSA	nStere o	nStere o/MW	Fsp3	relPS A	N	O	Rings	ArRin gs	RngL g	SysRi ngs	SysRR *	VWSA	logP	logS	Char ge
1	Bind	Selective	257.68	0.05	8	3	2	136.51	0	0.00	0.25	0.42	7	1	1	6	1	1.00	327.86	-0.02	-2.43		
4a	Bind	Non-selective	283.72	0.45	8	3	2	136.51	0	0.00	0.40	0.38	7	1	2	6	2	1.00	361.84	0.8	-2.65	0	
4b	Bind	Interference	297.75	0.90	8	3	2	136.51	0	0.00	0.45	0.35	7	1	2	6	2	1.00	389.81	1.31	-2.82	0	
4c	Bind	Interference	333.78	1.42	8	4	5	145.30	0	0.00	0.14	0.34	7	1	2	6	2	1.00	429.23	1.87	-3.6	0	
4d	Bind	Non-selective	351.77	1.57	8	4	5	145.30	0	0.00	0.14	0.33	7	1	2	6	2	1.00	436.60	1.91	-3.91	0	
11	Bind	Interference	426.88	0.56	10	5	6	191.47	0	0.00	0.20	0.35	8	3	2	6	2	1.00	545.81	0.77	-3.68	0	
20	Bind	Non-selective	195.19	-1.71	8	4	1	159.29	0	0.00	0.00	0.66	7	1	1	6	1	1.00	240.25	-1.54	-1.81	0	
19	Bind	Selective	295.31	0.79	8	4	3	159.29	0	0.00	0.00	0.43	7	1	2	6	2	1.00	366.30	-1.08	-2.21	0	
4e	Bind	Interference	319.75	1.14	8	4	4	145.30	0	0.00	0.08	0.37	7	1	2	6	2	1.00	397.86	0.68	-3.96	0	
4f	Bind	Interference	337.77	-0.69	9	4	6	163.12	0	0.00	0.25	0.38	9	1	2	6	2	1.00	431.58	1.53	-3.37	0	
4g	No Bind	None	354.80	-1.06	9	4	6	165.61	0	0.00	0.46	0.35	8	2	2	6	2	1.00	469.49	0.83	-2.81	0	
4h	Bind	Non-selective	342.81	-2.91	9	5	5	165.15	0	0.00	0.50	0.36	9	1	2	6	2	1.00	464.55	0.53	-3.15	1	
4i	No Bind	None	412.85	0.03	10	5	6	205.46	0	0.00	0.14	0.40	8	3	2	6	2	1.00	510.53	-0.16	-2.96	0	
4j	Bind	Selective	372.82	1.52	8	5	5	161.09	0	0.00	0.13	0.34	8	1	3	6	2	1.50	469.14	1.14	-3.61	0	
4k	Bind	Interference	355.73	1.42	8	4	4	145.30	0	0.00	0.08	0.35	7	1	2	6	2	1.00	411.74	2.3	-4.29	0	
4l	Bind	Non-selective	373.81	0.71	9	5	5	173.98	0	0.00	0.13	0.38	9	1	3	6	2	1.50	460.96	1.78	-3.93	0	
4m	Bind	Non-selective	313.75	-0.17	9	4	4	154.53	1	0.00	0.45	0.39	7	2	1	6	2	1.00	401.09	1.75	-3.94	0	
15	No Bind	None	400.83	0.99	10	4	6	176.01	0	0.00	0.13	0.35	10	1	3	6	3	1.00	499.16	0.54	-2.95	0	
22a	Bind	Selective	299.34	1.26	8	3	3	136.51	0	0.00	0.14	0.33	7	1	2	6	2	1.00	419.45	1.56	-3.49	0	
17	Bind	Selective	323.36	1.73	8	3	4	136.51	0	0.00	0.13	0.31	7	1	2	6	2	1.00	438.02	0.77	-2.96	0	
10	Bind	Interference	453.95	2.47	8	5	9	149.74	0	0.00	0.18	0.24	8	1	3	6	3	1.00	624.20	1.35	-4.02	1	
9	Bind	Non-selective	273.70	-3.36	8	5	4	172.94	0	0.00	0.25	0.50	8	1	1	6	1	1.00	342.60	3.05	-4.48	1	
22b	Bind	Selective	375.44	2.90	8	3	4	136.51	0	0.00	0.10	0.26	7	1	3	6	3	1.00	527.44	-0.62	-2.63	0	
22c	Bind	Selective	324.35	1.11	9	3	3	160.30	0	0.00	0.13	0.37	8	1	2	6	2	1.00	436.24	2.56	-4.02	0	
4n	Bind	Interference	356.84	-1.25	9	5	5	152.98	0	0.00	0.54	0.31	9	1	2	6	2	1.00	500.32	0.67	-3.39	1	
22d	Bind	Selective	349.40	2.24	8	3	3	136.51	0	0.00	0.11	0.28	7	1	3	6	2	1.50	482.01	-1.1	-3.08	0	
22e	Bind	Selective	313.37	1.77	8	3	3	136.51	0	0.00	0.20	0.30	7	1	2	6	2	1.00	451.67	0.64	-3.21	0	
22f	Bind	Selective	317.33	1.40	8	3	3	136.51	0	0.00	0.14	0.32	7	1	2	6	2	1.00	426.25	0.92	-3.34	0	
24	Bind	Selective	414.47	2.73	8	5	6	161.09	0	0.00	0.09	0.29	8	1	4	6	3	1.33	559.04	3.05	-4.79	0	

13. Cheminformatic parameters

The Wanderski-Tan cheminformatic parameters were used to classify each of the small molecules. The protonation state of each molecule was determined using Marvinview's pKa plugin; the most common species at pH 7.4 was used to determine cheminformatic parameters. Then an SDF file containing all of the small molecule structures was imported to an Instant Jchem database. 18 cheminformatic parameters were calculated using the IJchem built-in Chemical Terms calculators. The remaining two parameters, logP and logS, were calculated using the webservice AlogPS v. 2.1; since logP and logS concern neutral molecules, these values used the neutral state rather than the charged states used for the 18 IJchem parameters. PCA analysis of cheminformatic parameters was conducted using XLSTAT plugin for Excel.

14. Correlation matrices

Table S5: Results of multiple t-tests between selective and non-selective binding groups

	P value	Mean - Selective	Mean - Non-Selective	Difference	SE of difference	t ratio
logD	0.001462	1.745	-0.774286	2.51929	0.648257	3.88625
ArRings	0.010179	2.5	1.42857	1.07143	0.364682	2.93798
relPSA	0.019623	0.323	0.428571	-0.105571	0.0404172	2.61204
Fsp3	0.027941	0.117	0.267143	-0.150143	0.0617028	2.43332
SysRings	0.044446	2.2	1.71429	0.485714	0.221436	2.19347
VWSA	0.046824	457.556	386.841	70.7146	32.6464	2.16608
HBD	0.068881	3.5	4.28571	-0.785714	0.400934	1.95971
tPSA	0.077518	146.083	158.243	-12.1599	6.41646	1.8951
Rings	0.082215	2.5	1.85714	0.642857	0.345131	1.86264
HBA	0.131099	8.1	8.42857	-0.328571	0.205734	1.59707
MW	0.180574	338.519	304.964	33.5547	23.893	1.40438
nStereo	0.244007	0	0.142857	-0.142857	0.117803	1.21268
O	0.244007	1	1.14286	-0.142857	0.117803	1.21268
N	0.253830	7.3	7.71429	-0.414286	0.349129	1.18663
SysRR	0.556221	1.133	1.07143	0.0615714	0.102293	0.601913
logP	0.580132	0.784	1.18286	-0.398857	0.705388	0.565444
logS	0.851402	-3.334	-3.41	0.0760001	0.398761	0.19059
RotB	0.982565	3.7	3.71429	-0.0142857	0.642899	0.0222208

15. LDA results

LDA plots of cheminformatic data were constructed using the Discriminatory Analysis plugin from XLSTAT.

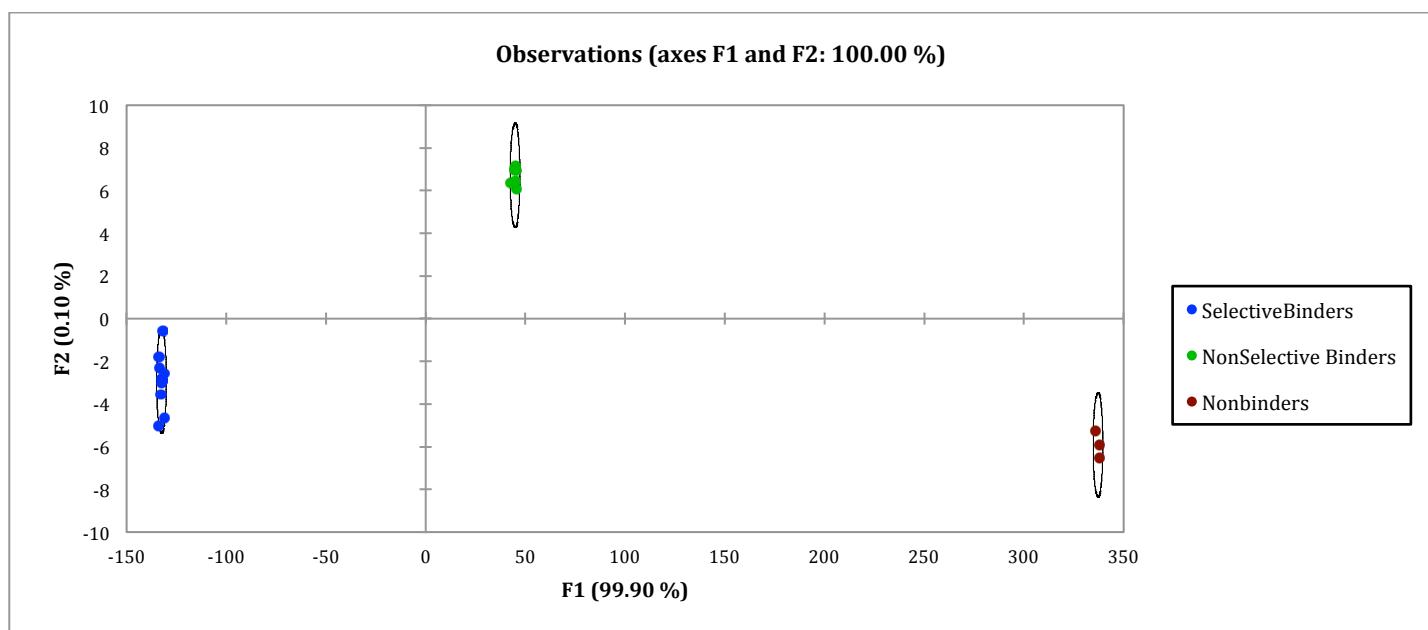


Figure S10: LDA analysis of Non-selective, Selective, and Nonbinding DMA derivatives. The 3 major binding categories show major separation in F1 and minor separation in F2.

Table S6: Confusion matrix for estimated sample

from \ to	1	2	4	Total	% correct
Selective	10	0	0	10	100.00%
NonSelective	0	7	0	7	100.00%
Nonbinding	0	0	3	3	100.00%
Total	10	7	3	20	100.00%

Table S7: Confusion matrix for cross-validation

from \ to	1	2	4	Total	% correct
Selective	7	1	2	10	70.00%
NonSelective	2	4	1	7	57.14%
Nonbinding	1	0	2	3	66.67%
Total	10	5	5	20	65.00%

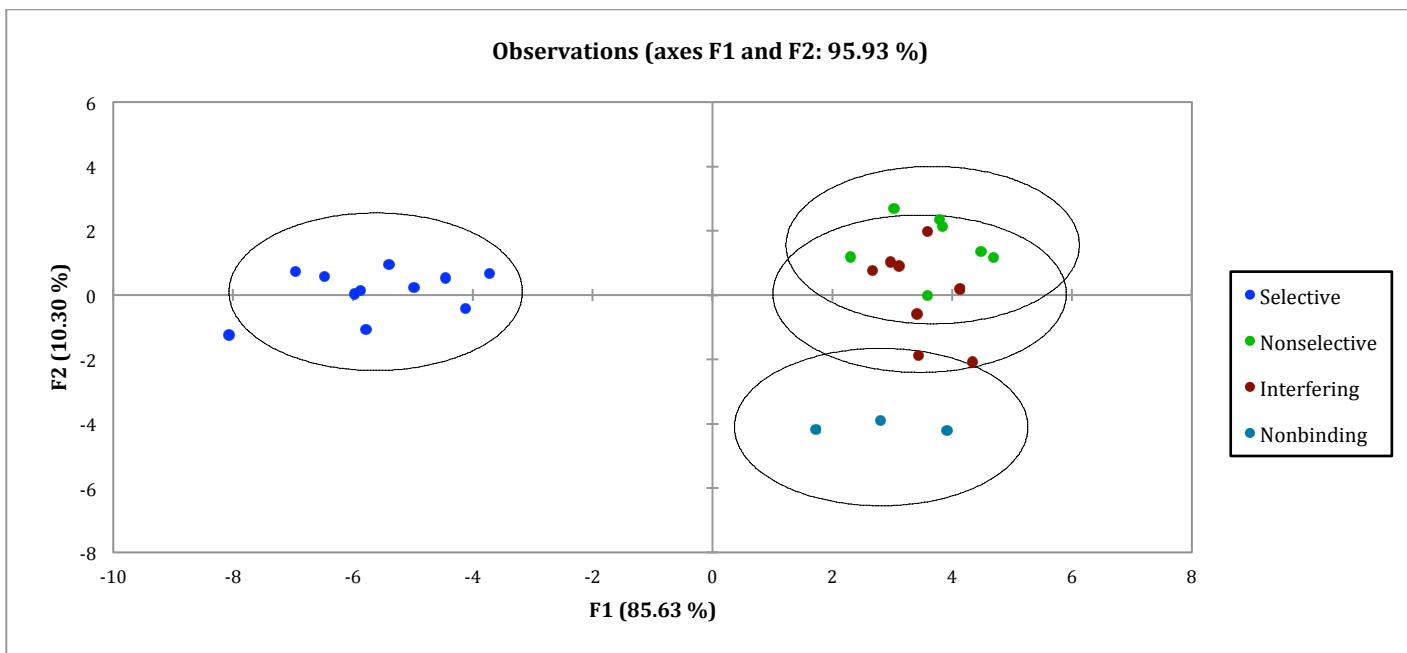


Figure S11: Addition of Interfering data shows significant overlap with the nonselective and nonbinding categories.

Table S8: Confusion matrix for estimated sample, with interfering data included.

from \ to	1	2	3	4	Total	% correct
Selective	11	0	0	0	11	100.00%
NonSelective	0	5	2	0	7	71.43%
Interfering	0	0	8	0	8	100.00%
Nonbinding	0	0	0	3	3	100.00%
Total	11	5	10	3	29	93.10%

Table S9: Confusion matrix for cross-validation, with interfering data included

from \ to	1	2	3	4	Total	% correct
Selective	7	1	2	1	11	63.64%
NonSelective	0	4	3	0	7	57.14%
Interfering	0	4	1	3	8	12.50%
Nonbinding	0	0	3	0	3	0.00%
Total	7	9	9	4	29	41.38%

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