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#### **Routes to Highly Functionalised Oligobenzamide Proteomimetics**

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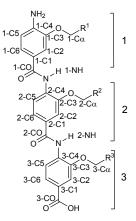
## **General Experimental Considerations**

All commercial solvents and reagents were used without further purification unless stated otherwise. All non-aqueous reactions were performed under an atmosphere of nitrogen and using anhydrous solvents. Water-sensitive reactions were performed in oven-dried glassware, cooled under nitrogen before use, or flame dried and cooled, under vacuum if stated. Solvents were removed under reduced pressure using a Büchi rotary evaporator. Ether refers to diethyl ether and petrol refers to petroleum spirit (b.p. 40-60 °C). Flash column chromatography was carried out using silica (35-70  $\mu$ m particles) or alumina (neutral, Brockman activity 1), with crude reaction mixtures loaded in the initial solvent system or its least polar constituent. Thin layer chromatography was carried out on commercially available silica pre-coated aluminium plates (Kieselgel 60 F254, Merck) or commercially available alumina pre-coated glass plates (neutral, Brockman activity 1). Strong cation exchange columns were carried out using SCX, 5.0 g pre-packed cartridge, Supelco.

Proton and carbon NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance 500, Avance DPX300 or DRX500 spectrophotometer with an internal deuterium lock. Carbon NMR spectra were recorded with composite pulse decoupling using the waltz 16 pulse sequence. Chemical shifts are quoted in parts per million downfield of tetramethylsilane, and coupling constants (J) are given in Hz. NMR spectra were recorded at 300 K unless otherwise stated. Infra-red spectra were recorded using a Perkin-Elmer Spectrum One FT-IR spectrophotometer. Melting points were determined using a Griffin and George melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Nominal mass spectrometry was routinely performed on a Bruker HCT Ultra spectrometer using electrospray (+) ionization. Nominal and accurate mass spectrometry using electrospray ionisation was carried out by staff or the candidate in the School of Chemistry using a Micromass LCT-KA111, Bruker MicroTOF or Bruker MaXis Impact TOF mass spectrometer. Mass-directed HPLC purifications were run on an Agilent 1260 Infinity Preparative HPLC system equipped with a Waters XBridge<sup>TM</sup> Prep C18 19 × 100 mm column, 5 µm particle size, on an acetonitrile or methanol/water gradient (5-95% acetonitrile or methanol over 8 minutes) and an Agilent 6120 Quadrupole system equipped with a quadrupole MS detector, using electrospray ionisation (ESI).

## **Oligobenzamide Nomenclature**

To simplify the numbering and NMR assignment of oligobenzamides, we have devised a sequential nomenclature, where each of the monomer building blocks is considered separately. The monomers are numbered from 1 to 3 starting from the *N*-terminal. Within each monomer, the numbering is the same: the carbons from the aminobenzoic acid are numbered using the standard system (the aromatic carbon bearing the carboxylic acid is C1, the one bearing the amine is C4). Then, the lateral chain is numbered: the carbon attached to the oxygen is the C $\alpha$ , and the numbering of the aliphatic part of the side chain continues with C $\beta$ , etc. In the case of aromatic side chains,

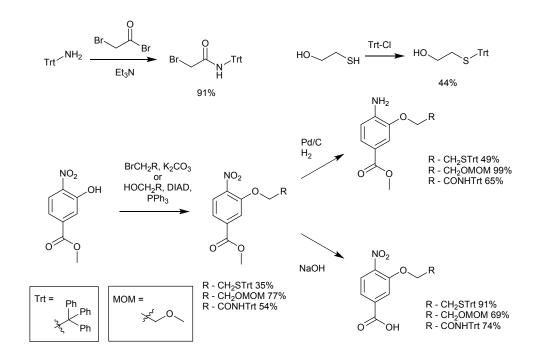


the aromatic carbons are numbered CAr1, CAr2, etc. The numbering of the protons is based on the carbon numbering. To differentiate each individual carbon/proton, the monomer number is added as a prefix to the carbon/proton number representative examples are given above.

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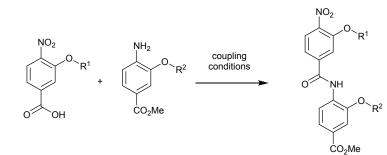
## **Supplementary Figures and Schemes**

Scheme S1. General Synthesis of Oligobenzamides



Scheme S2. Synthesis of Building Blocks

# Table S1 - Attempted Coupling Conditions



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Entry	R <sup>1</sup>	<b>R</b> <sup>2</sup>	Conditions	Conversion by	
				crude NMR	
1	O	OMOM	HATU, DIPEA	No conversion	
2	C Trt H	OMOM	SOCl <sub>2</sub>	No conversion	
3	0	omom روب	Ghosez's	~5%	
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4	O , z <sup>s</sup> N H H	OMOM	Cl <sub>2</sub> PPh <sub>3</sub>	No conversion	
5	<sup>ب</sup> رير OMOM	0	Ghosez's	~5%	
		r <sup>2</sup> r <sup>2</sup> H	Reagent		
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				conversion	
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## **Synthesis**

## **Standard Procedures**

## **Standard Procedure A - Ester Hydrolysis**

An aqueous sodium hydroxide solution (2 M, 1 ml per 100 mg of ester) was added to a solution of the ester in methanol (~5 ml per 100 mg of ester) and stirred at room temperature until the starting material had been consumed, as observed by TLC. The reaction mixture was concentrated by half *in vacuo* then adjusted to pH 3 by the addition of 1M HCl (aq.); the resulting precipitate was isolated by filtration, dried *in vacuo* and used without further purification in subsequent steps.

## Standard Procedure B – Tin mediated nitro reduction

Tin (II) chloride dihydrate (5 equivalents) was added in one portion to a solution of the nitro compound in ethyl acetate (5 ml per 100 mg) and the reaction stirred at 50 °C under a calcium chloride drying tube for 24 hours. The reaction was then allowed to cool to room temperature and poured into 2 M sodium hydroxide solution (5 ml per 100 mg of starting material). The organic layer was separated, washed with 2 M sodium hydroxide solution ( $2 \times 5$  ml per 100 mg of starting material) and brine (5 ml per 100 mg of starting material), dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography to give the desired compound.

## Standard Procedure C – Nitro reduction by hydrogenation

Palladium on charcoal (10 %) was added against a flow of nitrogen to a solution of the nitro compound in methanol (10 ml per 100 mg) under a nitrogen atmosphere, the atmosphere was then replaced with hydrogen and the reaction stirred vigorously until complete by TLC (typically 2 hours). The hydrogen atmosphere was vented and the reaction mixture filtered through a pad of Celite with methanol, concentrated *in vacuo* and purified by flash column chromatography.

## **Standard Procedure D - Coupling**

Dichlorotriphenylphosphorane (4.5 equivalents) was added to a solution of nitro-acid compound (1.2 equivalents) in chloroform (5 ml per 100 mg of amine) and the reaction heated to reflux with stirring under nitrogen. After 2 hours at reflux, the amine ester compound (1 equivalent) was added as solution in chloroform (1 ml) and the reaction was heated to reflux for a further 24 hours. The reaction mixture was then concentrated *in vacuo* and partitioned between ethyl acetate (5 ml per 100 mg of amine) and H<sub>2</sub>O (5 ml per 100 mg of amine). The organic layer was separated and washed with saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution (5 ml per 100 mg of amine), dried over magnesium sulphate and

concentrated *in vacuo*. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography to give the desired compound.

### **Standard Proceedure E – Removal of Allyl Groups**

Allyl functionalised trimers were treated with palladium tetrakistriphenylphosphine (10 mol%) and sodium toluenesulfinate (1.2 eq) in THF (1ml/mg) overnight, concentrated in vacuo and purified by column chromatography eluting with Et<sub>2</sub>O in DCM.

#### Standard Procedure F – Side chain introduction by Mitsunobu reaction

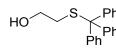
De-allylated nitro ester trimers were dissolved in THF (1 ml/10 ml substrate) and PPh<sub>3</sub> (2 eq.), alcohol (2 eq.) and DIAD (2 eq.) added sequentially. The reaction was stirred overnight at r.t., concentrated *in vacuo*. Amine products were isolated by SCX column and used without further purification.

## **Highly Functionalised Trimers**

### 2-Bromo-N-(triphenylmethyl)-acetamide, S1

ution of tritylamine (500 mg, 1.93 mmol) and triethylamine (0.73 triethylamine (0.73 mL, 5.25 mmol) in DCM (10 mL) with rapid stirring under an inert atmosphere. The reaction was stirred and allowed to warm to room temperature over 15 hours. The reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and immediately purified by column chromatography eluting with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. Fractions containing product were concentrated in vacuo to a black solid which upon trituration with MeOH gave the product as a colourless solid (608 mg, 91%). m.p. 201-203 °C (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); R<sub>f</sub> 0.35 (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); v<sub>max</sub>/cm<sup>-1</sup> (solid state) 3261, 3053, 3032, 1660; δ<sub>H</sub> (500 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 7.75 (1H, s, NH), 7.33 (10H, m, Ar-H), 7.25  $(5H, d, J = 6.9 \text{ Hz}, \text{Ar-H}), 3.91 (2H, s, CH_2); \delta_C (125 \text{ MHz}; CDCl_3) 164.3 (Carbonyl), 144.1$ (trityl), 128.6 (trityl), 128.2 (trityl), 127.3 (trityl), 30.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>) guaternary carbon not observed; *m*/*z* (ES) 404 (100%, MH<sup>+</sup>), 402 (100%, MH<sup>+</sup>), 243 (50%, Trt<sup>+</sup>); HRMS Found: 402.0475;  $C_{21}H_{18}NOBr [M+Na]^+$  requires 402.0464.

#### S-trityl-mercapto-ethanol, S2

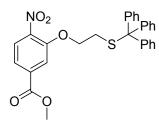


S Ph Ph Ph Ph Ph and heated to reflux for 4 hours, the reaction was allowed to cool,

concentrated in vacuo and triturated with 1:2 EtOAc-Hexane to yield the desired compound as a colourless solid (466 mg, 44%). m.p. 108-110 °C (Hexane); v<sub>max</sub>/cm<sup>-1</sup> (film) 3336 (broad), 3063, 2926, 1592;  $\delta_{\rm H}$  (500 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 7.50 (6H, d, J = 7.8 Hz, trityl), 7.34 (6H,

m, trityl), 7.27 (3H, m, trityl), 3.42 (2H, t, J = 6.2 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.53 (2H, t, J = 6.2 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.93 (1H, s, OH);  $\delta_{\rm C}$  (125 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 144.8 (trityl), 129.7 (trityl), 128.1 (trityl), 126.8 (trityl), 66.74 (CH<sub>2</sub>S), 35.26 (CH<sub>2</sub>O), quaternary carbon not observed; m/z (ES) [MH]<sup>+</sup> 343, [2M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 663; HRMS Found: 343.1143; C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>20</sub>OS [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> requires 343.1127

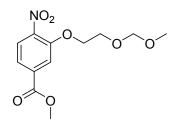
#### Methyl 4-nitro-3-{2-[(triphenylmethyl)sulfanyl]ethoxy}benzoate, S3



Diisopropyl azodicarboxylate (DIAD) (0.09 mL, 0.45 mmol) was added to a cooled solution (0 °C) of methyl 3-hydroxy-4nitrobenzoate (88 mg, 0.45 mmol), *S*-trityl mercaptoethanol (200 mg, 0.63 mmol) and triphenylphosphine (116 mg, 0.45 mmol) in anhydrous THF (5 mL) under an inert atmosphere and reaction allowed to warm to room temperature with stirring. After 3 days the

reaction was concentrated *in vacuo*, dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (2 × 10 mL), saturated aqueous sodium bicarbonate (3 × 10 mL) and brine (10 mL), dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to a yellow oil. The oil was purified by column chromatography eluting with 1:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>–petrol and 7:3 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>–petrol sequentially to give the product as a colourless oil which crystallized to colourless needles on standing (79 mg, 35%). m.p. 79-81 °C (7:3 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, Petrol);  $R_f$  0.35 (1:1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, Petrol);  $v_{max}$ /cm<sup>-1</sup> (Solid State) 3054, 2478, 2254, 2159, 2028, 1974, 1727;  $\delta_{\rm H}$  (500 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 7.70 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, Ar-H), 7.57 (1H, dd, J = 8.5, 1.6 Hz, Ar-H), 7.38 (7H, d, J = 7.8 Hz, trityl and Ar-H), 7.22 (6H, t, J = 7.8 Hz, trityl), 7.13 (3H, t, J = 7.8 Hz, trityl), 3.87 (3H, s, CO<sub>2</sub>Me), 3.64 (2H, t, J = 6.8 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>S), 2.63 (2H, t, J = 6.8 Hz, OCH<sub>2</sub>);  $\delta_{\rm C}$  (125 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 165.1, 151.4, 144.5, 142.5, 134.7, 129.6, 128.1, 126.9, 125.3, 121.6, 115.7, 68.3, 67.0, 52.8, 33.7; HRMS Found: 522.1339; C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>S [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> requires 522.1346.

#### Methyl 3-[2-(methoxymethoxy)ethoxy]-4-nitrobenzoate, S4

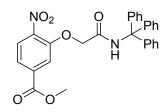


1-Bromo-2-(methoxymethoxy)ethane (0.41 mL, 3.55 mmol) was added to a solution of methyl 3-hydroxy-4-nitrobenzoate (500 mg, 2.54 mmol) and potassium carbonate (1.7 g, 12.7 mmol) in DMF (10 mL) and heated to 50 °C for 24 hours, allowed to cool and partitioned between EtOAc (20 mL) and H<sub>2</sub>O (20 mL). The organic layer was separated and washed with

H<sub>2</sub>O (20 mL) and brine (20 mL), dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, concentrated *in vacuo* to give a yellow solid and purified by column chromatography eluting with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> to give the desired product as a pale yellow solid (209 mg, 29%). m.p. 58-60 °C (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>);  $R_f$  0.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>);  $v_{max}/cm^{-1}$  (Solid state) 2966, 2942, 2891, 1726;  $\delta_H$  (500 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 7.83 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, Ar-H), 7.77 (1H, s, Ar-H), 7.69 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, Ar-H), 4.70 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.35 (2H, t, J = 4.6 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.96 (3H, s, CO<sub>2</sub>Me), 3.94 (2H, t, J = 4.6 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.38 (3H, s, OMe);  $\delta_C$  (125 MHz;

CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 165.1, 151.7, 142.6, 134.8, 125.3, 121.6, 115.7, 96.6, 69.4, 65.3, 55.2, 52.8; HRMS Found: 308.0746; C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>7</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> requires 308.0741.

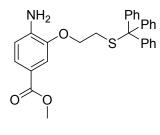
#### Methyl 3-[(triphenylmethyl)carbamoyl]methoxy-4-nitrobenzoate, S5



2-Bromo-*N*-(triphenylmethyl)-acetamide (600 mg, 1.58 mmol) was added to a solution of methyl 3-h ydroxy-4-nitrobenzoate (258mg, 1.31 mmol) and potassium carbonate (900 mg, 6.58 mmol) in DMF (10 mL) and heated to 50 °C for 24 hours then allowed to cool and partitioned between EtOAc (20 mL) and H<sub>2</sub>O

(20 mL). The organic layer was separated and washed with saturated aqueous solution of sodium bicarbonate (20ml), H<sub>2</sub>O (20 ml) and brine (20 ml), dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, concentrated *in vacuo* to an orange solid which was recrystallised from methanol to give a white solid (155.4 mg, 23%), m.p. 205 °C (MeOH),  $v_{max}$ /cm<sup>-1</sup> (film) 3407, 3058, 2950, 2512, 2159, 1976, 1728;  $\delta$ H (500 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 8.14 (1H, s (broad), N-H), 8.02 (1H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, Ar-H), 7.80 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1.7, Ar-H), 7.74 (1H, d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, Ar-H), 7.34-7.26 (15H, m, trityl), 4.68 (2H, s (broad), CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.98 (3H, s (broad), OMe);  $\delta$ C (125 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 164.9, 164.6, 150.2, 144.2, 135.8, 128.6, 128.0, 127.2, 126.4, 122.8, 155.5, 91.9, 70.6, 68.3, 53.0; HRMS Found: 519.1533; C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> requires 519.1527.

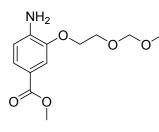
#### Methyl 3-{2-[(triphenylmethyl)sulfanyl]ethoxy}-4-aminobenzoate, S6



Prepared using procedure C from methyl 3-{2-[(triphenylmethyl)sulfanyl]ethoxy}-4-nitrobenzoate (220 mg, 0.44 mmol) and purified by alumina column chromatography eluting with 1% ethyl acetate–DCM followed by 1% MeOH–DCM to give a pale yellow oil (101 mg, 49%),  $v_{max}/cm^{-1}$  (film) 3486, 3374, 3057, 2948, 1704, 1615;  $\delta$ H (300 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 7.52 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.6

Hz, Ar-H), 7.45 (6H, m, Trityl and Ar-H), 7.25 (10H, m, Trityl), 6.63 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, Ar-H), 3.83 (5H, m, OMe and CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.65 (2H, t, J = 6.3 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>);  $\delta$ C (75 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 144.8, 144.6, 141.4, 129.5, 128.0, 126.8, 124.4, 119.3, 113.2, 112.6, 66.99, 51.72, 31.54; HRMS Found: 492.1603; C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>S [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> requires 492.1604.

#### Methyl 3-[2-(methoxymethoxy)ethoxy]-4-aminobenzoate, S7

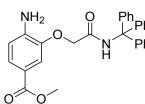


Prepared using procedure C from methyl 3-[2-(methoxymethoxy)ethoxy]-4-nitrobenzoate (416 mg, 1.46 mmol) to give a pale yellow oil (369 mg, 99%),  $v_{max}/cm^{-1}$  (film) 3480, 3365, 2949, 2887, 1704;  $\delta_{\rm H}$  (500 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 7.56 (1H, d, J =8.2 Hz, Ar-H), 7.48 (1H, s, Ar-H), 6.67 (1H, d, J = 7.8 Hz, Ar-H), 4.71 (2H, s, OCH<sub>2</sub>O), 4.38 (2H, s (broad), NH<sub>2</sub>), 4.22 (2H, t, J =

4.4 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.92 (2H, t, J = 4.4 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.86 (3H, s, OMe), 3.39 (3H, s, OMe);  $\delta_{C}$  (125)

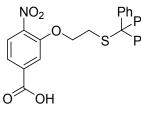
MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 167.2, 145.0, 141.8, 124.5, 119.2, 113.3, 113.0, 96.5, 68.1, 66.1, 55.3, 51.6; HRMS Found: 278.0999; C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>5</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> requires 278.0999.

### Methyl 3-[(triphenylmethyl)carbamoyl]methoxy-4-aminobenzoate, S8



from using procedure methyl Prepared [(triphenylmethyl)carbamoyl]methoxy-4-nitrobenzoate (220 mg, 0.44 mmol) to give a beige solid (153 mg, 65%), m.p. 132-134 °C,  $v_{max}/cm^{-1}$  (film) 3338, 3056, 2949, 2581, 1966, 1671;  $\delta_{H}$  (500 MHz;  $d_6$ -DMSO) 8.76 (1H, s, NH), 7.42 (1H, dd, J = 8.2, 1.8 Hz, Ar-H), 7.36 (1H, d, J = 1.4 Hz, Ar-H), 7.28-7.17 (15H, m, trityl), 6.68 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, Ar-H), 5.72 (2H, s (broad), NH<sub>2</sub>), 4.75 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.79 (3H, s, OMe);  $\delta_{\rm C}$  (125 MHz;  $d_6$ -DMSO) 167.1, 166.2, 144.4, 143.8, 128.4, 127.7, 127.5, 126.5, 124.3, 112.9, 112.4, 69.2, 61.8, 51.3, 48.5; HRMS Found: 489.1790, C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> requires 489.1785.

### 4-Nitro-3-{2-[(triphenylmethyl)sulfanyl]ethoxy}benzoic acid, S9



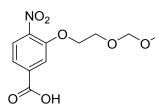
Prepared using procedure A from methyl 4-Nitro-3-{2 [(triphenylmethyl)sulfanyl]ethoxy} benzoate (220 mg, 0.44 mmol) to give a colourless solid (195 mg, 91%), m.p. 194-196 °C v<sub>max</sub>/cm<sup>-1</sup> (film) 3057, 2654, 1693; δ<sub>H</sub> (500 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 7.94 (1H, d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, Ar-H), 7.65 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1.4, Ar-H),

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7.56 (1H, s, Ar-H), 7.37-7.24 (15H, m, trityl), 3.99 (2H, t, J = 6.2 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.54 (2H, t, J = 6.2 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>); δ<sub>C</sub> (125 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 165.6, 150.1, 144.1, 142.1, 129.0, 128.0, 126.8, 124.9, 121.6, 115.4, 67.56, 66.19, 30.64; HRMS Found: 508.119; C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>S [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> requires 508.1189.

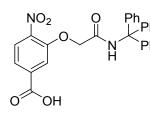
## 3-[2-(Methoxymethoxy)ethoxy]-4-nitrobenzoic acid, 1



Prepared using procedure А from methyl 3-[2-(methoxymethoxy)ethoxy]-4-nitrobenzoate (400 mg, 1.4 mmol) to give a colourless solid, (262.6 mg, 69%), m.p. 131-133 °C;  $v_{max}/cm^{-1}$  (film) 3063, 2938, 2542, 2159, 2025, 1691;  $\delta_{H}$  (500 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 7.90-7.87 (2H, m, Ar-H), 7.81 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.4

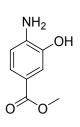
Hz, Ar-H), 4.76 (2H, s, OCH<sub>2</sub>O), 4.41 (2H, t, J = 4.4 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.00 (2H, t, J = 4.4 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.44 (3H, s, OMe); δ<sub>C</sub> (125 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 169.4, 151.7, 143.3, 133.8, 125.4, 122.4, 116.3, 96.6, 69.5, 65.4, 55.3; HRMS Found: 294.0571, C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NO<sub>7</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> requires 294.0584;

## 3-[(Triphenylmethyl)carbamoyl]methoxy-4-nitrobenzoic acid, S10



Prepared using procedure А from methyl 3-[(triphenylmethyl)carbamoyl]methoxy-4-nitrobenzoate (220mg, 0.44 mmol) to give an off white solid (157mg, 74%); m.p. 222-224 °C; v<sub>max</sub>/cm<sup>-1</sup> (film) 3398, 3059, 2828, 2581, 1961, 1699; δ<sub>H</sub> (500 MHz;  $d_6$ -Acetone) 8.21 (1H, s (broad), NH), 8.07 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, Ar-H), 7.93 (1H, d, J = 1.4 Hz, Ar-H), 7.84 (1H, dd, J = 8.5, 1.6 Hz, Ar-H), 7.32-7.25 (15H, m, trityl), 4.98 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>);  $\delta_C$  (125 MHz; CDCl3) 166.1, 165.7, 151.4, 145.7, 143.1, 136.5, 129.6, 128.5, 127.7, 126.4, 123.3, 117.0, 70.92, 69.22, 49.6; HRMS Found: 505.1362;  $C_{28}H_{22}N_2O_6$  [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> requires 505.137.

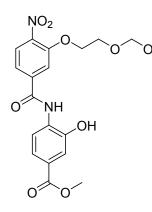
#### Methy 3-Hydroxy-4-aminobenzoate, 2



4-amino-3-hydroxybenzoic acid (1 g, 6 mmol) was heated to reflux in methanol (20 ml) and sulphuric acid (2 ml) for 16 hours, allowed to cool to r.t. and sodium bicarbonate added until gas evolution ceased. The resulting solid was removed by filtration and the filtrate concentrated *in vacuo*, suspended in water (20 ml) and extracted with ethyl acetate ( $3 \times 30$  ml). The combined organics were washed with brine (20 ml), dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* 

to yield the *title compound* as a beige solid (854 mg, 85%).  $v_{\text{max}}$ /cm<sup>-1</sup> (solid state) 3398, 3315, 2948, 2583, 1705, 1604;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (500 MHz;  $d_6$ -DMSO) 9.40 (1H, s, OH), 7.26 (2H, m, Ar-H), 6.60 (1H, d, J = 8.7 Hz, Ar-H), 5.36 (2H, s, NH), 3.74 (3H, s, OMe);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (125 MHz;  $d_6$ -DMSO) 166.4, 142.7, 142.3, 122.5, 116.5, 116.2, 114.5, 112.4, 51.1; HRMS *m/z* (ESI) Found: 190.0493, C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>8</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> requires 190.0475.

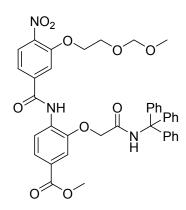
O2N-[O-MOM-Hydroxyethyl(3-HABA)]-[(3-HABA)]-COOMe, 3



PyBOP (1664 mg, 3.2 mmol) and diisopropylethylamine (1.2 ml, 6.67 mmol) were added sequentially to a solution of 3-[2-(Methoxymethoxy)ethoxy]-4-nitrobenzoic acid (725 mg, 2.67 mmol) in dichloromethane (30 ml) and the reaction stirred for 30 minutes. After which time methy 3-hydroxy-4-aminobenzoate (446 mg, 2.67 mmol) was added and the reaction stirred at r.t. overnight. The reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and re-dissolved in dimethylformamide (20 ml). Caesium carbonate (3.8 g, 13.55 mmol) was added and the reaction stirred at r.t. for

overnight. The reaction mixture was then poured into ethyl acetate (40 ml) and washed copiously with water and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography eluting with 5:95 ether/dichloromethane to give the *title compound* as a yellow solid (491 mg, 44%)..  $v_{max}$ /cm<sup>-1</sup> (solid state) 2952, 2869, 1716, 1674, 1524; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, *d*<sub>6</sub>-DMSO)  $\delta$  10.39 (s, 1H, OH), 9.84 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.89 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 7.66 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.50 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 4.64 (s, 2H, O-CH<sub>2</sub>-O), 4.51 – 4.39 (t, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.92 – 3.80 (m, 5H, OMe and CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.28 (s, 3H, OMe); HRMS found 421.1245, C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>9</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 421.1241

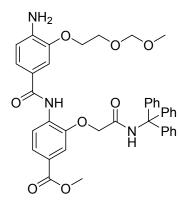
## O<sub>2</sub>N-[*O*-MOM-hydroxyethyl(3-HABA)]-[*O*-(N-Trt)carbamoylmethoxy-(3-HABA)]-COOMe, S11



2-Bromo-*N*-(triphenylmethyl)-acetamide (217 mg, 0.57 mmol) was added to a suspension of methyl 3-hydroxy-4-{3-[2-(methoxymethoxy)ethoxy]-4-nitrobenzamido}benzoate (200 mg, 0.48 mmol) and potassium carbonate (331 mg, 2.4 mmol) in dimethylformamide (20 ml) and the reaction heated to 50 °C overnight. The reaction mixture was then poured into water (20 ml) and the resulting precipitate collected by filtration. The precipitate was purified by column chromatography eluting with 5:95 ether/dichloromethane to give the *title compound* as a pale

yellow solid (138 mg, 40%).  $v_{max}$ /cm<sup>-1</sup> (solid state) 3381, 2964, 2821, 1969; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  9.49 (s, 1H, Amide N-H), 8.53 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.86 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.63 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.27 (m, J = 11.9, 6.7 Hz, 10H, Trityl), 7.20 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.14 – 7.08 (m, 5H, Trityl), 4.68 (s, 4H, O-CH<sub>2</sub>-O and O-CH<sub>2</sub>-CONR), 4.21 – 4.13 (t, J = 4.2 Hz 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.92 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.76 – 3.71 (t, J = 4.2 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.40 (s, 3H, OMe); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  167.50, 166.14, 163.51, 152.20, 147.51, 143.83, 141.61, 139.23, 133.67, 128.70, 128.62, 128.50, 128.16, 128.03, 127.48, 126.24, 125.72, 120.71, 119.05, 117.13, 114.03, 96.57, 71.16, 71.07, 69.40, 65.25, 55.27, 52.28; HRMS found 720.2555, C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>37</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>10</sub> requires [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 720.2551

## H<sub>2</sub>N-[*O*-MOM-hydroxyethyl(3-HABA)]-[*O*-(N-Trt)carbamoylmethoxy-(3-HABA)]-COOMe, S12

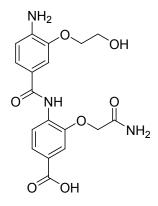


Using standard procedure C on 0.19 mmol scale to give the title compound as a colourless oil (74 mg, 56%).  $v_{max}/cm^{-1}$  (solid state) 3343, 2950, 1673; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.57 (s, 1H, Amide N-H), 8.49 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.73 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.1 Hz, 1H, Ar-H ), 7.57 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 7.36 (d, J = 1.1, 1H, Ar-H), 7.25 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 7.15 (dd, J = 7.4, 2.8 Hz, 10H, Trityl), 7.05 (dd, J = 6.7, 2.7 Hz, 5H, Trityl), 6.45 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 4.62 (s, 2H, O-CH<sub>2</sub>-O), 4.61 (s, 2H, O-CH<sub>2</sub>-CON), 4.20 (s, 2H, NH<sub>2</sub>), 4.14 – 4.07 (t, J = 4.4 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.83 (s,

3H, OMe), 3.79 - 3.74 (t, J = 4.4 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.32 (s, 3H, OMe); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  166.36, 166.26, 165.19, 145.87, 145.79, 144.08, 141.14, 133.17, 128.46, 128.13, 127.31, 125.28, 125.00, 123.46, 120.81, 119.83, 113.51, 113.44, 111.73, 104.21, 96.64, 70.64, 69.46, 68.28, 66.14, 63.78, 55.33, 52.20.

#### H<sub>2</sub>N-[O-hydroxyethyl(3-HABA)]-[O-carbamoylmethoxy-(3-HABA)]-COOH, 5

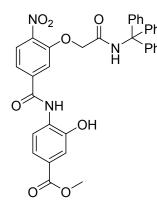
#### H<sub>2</sub>N-[O-MOM-hydroxyethyl(3-HABA)]-[O-(N-



Trt)carbamoylmethoxy-(3-HABA)]-COOMe (35 mg, 0.05 mmol) was dissolved in 1:1 tetrahydrofuran/methanol (5 ml) and treated with 1M sodium hydroxide solution (3 ml) for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was then acidified to pH 1 with concentrated HCl and stirred overnight. The reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and purified by mass directed preparative HPLC.  $v_{max}/cm^{-1}$  (solid state) 3408, 1663; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz,  $d_6$ -DMSO)  $\delta$  9.67 (s, 1H, Amide N-H), 8.13 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.62 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.8

Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.51 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.45 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.41 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.67 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 4.62 (s, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.01 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.75 (t, J = 4.7 Hz, 2H, CH<sub>2</sub>); HRMS found 390.1301 C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>7</sub> requires [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 390.1295

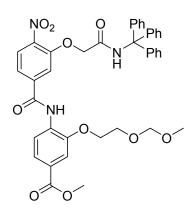
#### O2N-[O-(N-Trt)carbamoylmethoxy-(3-HABA)]-[(3-HABA)]-COOMe, S13



PyBOP (530 mg, 1.02 mmol) and diisopropylethylamine (0.4 ml, 2.12 mmol) were added sequentially to a solution of methyl 3-[(triphenylmethyl)carbamoyl]methoxy-4-aminobenzoate (410 mg, 0.85 mmol) in dichloromethane (30 ml) and the reaction stirred for 30 minutes. After which time methy 3-hydroxy-4-aminobenzoate (156 mg, 0.93 mmol) was added and the reaction stirred at r.t. overnight. The reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and redissolved in dimethylformamide (20 ml). Caesium carbonate (1.4 g, 4.25 mmol) was added and the reaction stirred at r.t. overnight.

The reaction mixture was then poured into ethyl acetate (40 ml) and washed copiously with water and brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography eluting with 5:95 ether/dichloromethane to give the *title compound* as a yellow solid (230 mg, 43%).  $v_{max}$ /cm<sup>-1</sup> (solid state) 2956, 1709; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>)  $\delta$  8.74 (s, 1H, NH) 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.67 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.50 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.30 – 7.12 (m, 15H, trityl), 5.02 (s, 2H, 1-C<sub>a</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.83 (s, 3H, OMe); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO)  $\delta$  165.88, 165.83, 163.59, 150.39, 149.07, 144.31, 140.75, 139.25, 130.06, 128.38, 127.61, 126.62, 126.57, 125.29, 123.54, 120.30, 119.97, 115.86, 114.53, 69.40, 67.60, 52.03; HRMS found 632.2037 C<sub>36</sub>H<sub>29</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> requires [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 632.2027

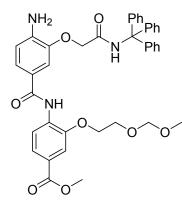
## O<sub>2</sub>N-[*O*-(N-Trt)carbamoylmethoxy-(3-HABA)]-[ *O*-MOM-hydroxyethyl (3-HABA)]-COOMe, S14



1-Bromo-2-(methoxymethoxy)ethane (41  $\mu$ l, 0.35 mmol) was added to a suspension of O2N-[O-(N-Trt)carbamoylmethoxy-(3-HABA)]-[(3-HABA)]-COOMe (200 mg, 0.32 mmol) and potassium carbonate (218 mg, 1.58 mmol) in dimethylformamide (20 ml) and the reaction heated to 50 °C overnight. The reaction mixture was then poured into water (20 ml) and the extracted with ethyl acetate (30 ml). The organic layers were washed with brine, dried over MgSO4 and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residues was purified by column

chromatography eluting with 40% ethyl acetate in petrol to give the *title compound* as a pale yellow solid (135 mg, 58%)  $v_{max}$ /cm<sup>-1</sup> (solid state) 3394, 2950, 1692, 1519; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  9.06 (s, 1H), 8.61 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.21 (s, 1H), 8.12 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.71 – 7.62 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.24 (m, 15H), 4.75 (s, 2H), 4.69 (s, 2H), 4.34 (t, J = 4.2 Hz, 2H), 3.98 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 3.30 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  166.41, 164.94, 162.50, 150.81, 144.21, 140.74, 140.61, 132.14, 128.68, 128.67, 128.06, 127.23, 126.82, 126.15, 124.17, 119.71, 119.29, 114.22, 113.33, 96.78, 70.65, 69.46, 68.29, 66.33, 55.42, 52.25; HRMS Found 720.2568 C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>37</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>10</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 720.2552.

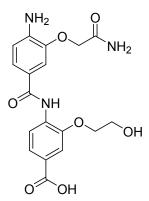
## H<sub>2</sub>N-[*O*-(N-Trt)carbamoylmethoxy-(3-HABA)]-[ *O*-MOM-hydroxyethyl (3-HABA)]-COOMe, S15



Using standard procedure C on 0.19 mmol scale to give the title compound as a colourless solid (62 mg, 50%)  $v_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$  (solid state) 3422, 3360, 2923, 1699; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.83 (s, 1H, Amide), 8.64 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H, Amide), 7.77 (d, J = 8.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.62 (s, 2H, Ar-H), 7.40 - 7.50 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.12 - 7.31 (m, 15H, Trityl), 6.74 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (s, 4H, 1-C<sub> $\alpha$ </sub>H<sub>2</sub> and NH<sub>2</sub>), 4.28 (t, J = 4.5 Hz, 2H, 2-C<sub> $\alpha$ </sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 4.16 (s, 2H), 3.86 - 3.97 (m, 5H, 2-C<sub> $\beta$ </sub>H<sub>2</sub> and OMe), 3.27 (s, 3H, OMe); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  166.5, 164.5, 146.6,

144.3, 140.4, 133.3, 128.5, 128.1, 127.2, 124.7, 124.2, 122.7, 118.7, 114.3, 113.0, 112.0, 96.6, 70.4, 69.2, 68.5, 66.2, 55.3, 52.1; HRMS Found 690.2834  $C_{40}H_{39}N_3O_8$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 690.2810.

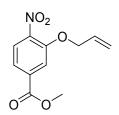
#### H<sub>2</sub>N-[O-carbamoylmethoxy-(3-HABA)]-[O-hydroxyethyl-(3-HABA)]-COOH, S16



 $H_2N-[O-(N-Trt)carbamoylmethoxy-(3-HABA)]-[$  O-MOMhydroxyethyl (3-HABA)]-COOMe (62 mg, 0.09 mmol) was dissolved in 1:1 tetrahydrofuran/methanol (10 ml) and treated with 1M sodium hydroxide solution (3 ml) for 2 hours. The reaction mixture was then acidified to pH 1 with concentrated HCl and stirred overnight. The product was observed by crude LS-MS but appeared to be unstable and could not be isolated.

#### Late Stage Derivatisaion

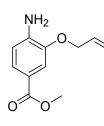
#### Methyl 4-nitro-3-(prop-2-en-1-yloxy)benzoate, S17



Allyl Bromide (610  $\mu$ L, 7.10 mmol) was added to a solution of methyl 3hydroxy-4-nitrobenzoate (1g, 5.07 mmol) and potassium carbonate (3.5 g, 25.35 mmol) in DMF (50 mL) and heated to 50 °C for 24 hours, allowed to cool and partitioned between EtOAc (50 mL) and H<sub>2</sub>O (50 mL). The organic layer was separated and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (30 mL) and

brine (30 mL), dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, concentrated *in vacuo* to give a yellow solid (891 mg, 74%)  $v_{\text{max}}$ /cm<sup>-1</sup> (solid state) 2934, 1719, 1613; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.81 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, 5C-H), 7.72 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H, 2C-H), 7.67 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H, 6-CH), 6.03 (ddt, J = 17.3, 10.3, 5.0 Hz, 1H, 2'-CH), 5.49 (dq, J = 17.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H, 3'-CH<sub>trans</sub>), 5.34 (dq, J = 10.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H, 3'-CH<sub>cis</sub>), 4.73 (dt, J = 5.1, 1.6 Hz, 2H, 1'-CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.95 (s, 3H, OMe);<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  165.10, 151.32, 142.62, 134.73, 131.26, 125.27, 121.51, 118.64, 115.86, 70.17, 52.80; HRMS found 260.0562, C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>5</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> requires 260.0535.

#### Methyl 4-amino-3-(prop-2'-en-1'-yloxy)benzoate, S18



Prepared using standard procedure B on a 2.1 mmol scale (397 mg, 91%).  $v_{\text{max}}$ /cm<sup>-1</sup> (solid state) 3367, 2991, 1692; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 7.55 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H, 6-CH), 7.46 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H, 2-CH), 6.67 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H, 5-CH), 6.08 (ddt, J = 17.2, 10.6, 5.4 Hz, 1H, 2'-CH), 5.42 (dq, J = 17.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H, 3'-CH<sub>trans</sub>)), 5.30 (dq, J = 10.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H, 3'-CH<sub>cis</sub>)), 4.61 (dt, J = 5.4, 1.4 Hz, 2H, 1-CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.86 (s, 3H, OMe); <sup>13</sup>C

NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.27, 145.01, 141.38, 133.04, 124.28, 119.46, 117.88, 113.33, 112.68, 69.30, 51.68; HRMS found 208.0969, C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 208.0968

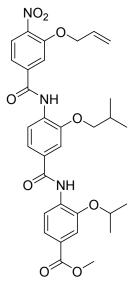
#### 4-Nitro-3-(prop-2'-en-1'-yloxy)benzoic acid, S19

NO<sub>2</sub> NO<sub>2</sub> O Prepared using standard procedure A on a 2.52 mmol scale (535 mg, 95%).  $v_{max}/cm^{-1}$  (solid state) 2824, 2598, 2538, 1683; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO) δ 13.60 (s, 1H, OH), 7.96 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, 5-CH), 7.75 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H, 2-CH), 7.63 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H, 6-CH), 6.02 (ddt, J = 17.2, 10.5, 4.9 Hz, 1H, 2'-CH), 5.41 (dq, J = 17.3, 1.7 Hz, 1H, 3'C-H<sub>trans</sub>), 5.29 (dq, J = 10.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H, 3'C-H<sub>cis</sub>), 4.83 (dt, J = 4.9, 1.6 Hz, 2H, 1'-CH<sub>2</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO) δ 165.71, 150.32, 142.18, 135.57, 132.32, 124.98, 121.47, 117.88, 115.73, 69.59; HRMS m/z (ESI) Found: 222.041033, C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>9</sub>NO<sub>5</sub> [M-H]<sup>-</sup> Requires 222.040796.

#### Trimers

The allyl bearing trimers were prepared in parallel using the methods and building blocks described previously<sup>2-7</sup> (Standard Procedures A, B, C and D), checking at pertinent times during the synthesis by crude NMR and LC-MS, to afford the below compounds. Compounds were either pure following final precipitation or purified by preparative HPLC.

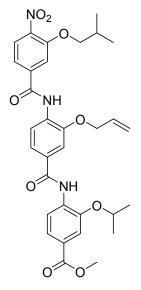
#### O2N-[O-Allyl(3-HABA)]-[O-iBu (3-HABA)]-[O-iPr (3-HABA)]-COOMe, 6a



 $v_{\text{max}}$ /cm<sup>-1</sup> (solid state) 3421, 2975, 1704, 1680; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.85 (s, 1H, Amide N-H), 8.76 (s, 1H, Amide N-H), 8.63 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 8.60 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.93 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.71 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.69 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.59 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.42 (m, 2H), 6.06 (ddt, J = 17.2, 10.2, 5.0 Hz, 1H, 1-C<sub>β</sub>H), 5.52 (ddd, J = 17.1, 2.7, 1.5 Hz, 1H, 1-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>trans</sub>), 5.38 (ddd, J = 10.7, 2.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H1-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>cis</sub>), 4.83 – 4.67 (m, 3H, 1-C<sub>α</sub>H<sub>2</sub> and 3-C<sub>α</sub>H), 3.98 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, 2- C<sub>α</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.90 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.22 (dp, J = 13.3, 6.7 Hz, 1H, 2-C<sub>β</sub>H), 1.46 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 6H, 3-C<sub>β</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 3-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.11 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H, 2-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 2-C<sub>δ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.74, 164.22, 162.98, 152.15, 147.84, 145.79, 141.96, 139.64, 132.93, 131.13, 130.68, 130.64, 126.02, 125.11, 123.31, 119.01, 118.93, 118.59, 117.71, 114.49, 113.14,

110.62, 75.26, 71.88, 70.31, 52.09, 28.25, 22.23, 19.31; HRMS found 628.2276, C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>35</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>9</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> requires 628.2265

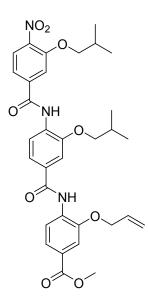
#### O2N-[O-iBu(3-HABA)]-[O-Allyl (3-HABA)]-[O-iPr (3-HABA)]-COOMe



 $v_{\text{max}}$ /cm<sup>-1</sup> (solid state) 3428, 2961, 1792, 1714; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.81 (s, 1H, Amide N-H), 8.73 (s, 1H, Amide N-H), 8.61 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 8.57 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.88 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.68 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.63 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.59 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.57 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.41 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.38 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.11 (ddt, J = 17.2, 10.6, 5.4 Hz, 1H, 2-C<sub>β</sub>H), 5.47 (ddd, J = 17.3, 2.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H, 2-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>trans</sub>), 5.39 (ddd, J = 10.5, 2.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H, 2-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>cis</sub>), 4.86 – 4.68 (m, 3H, 2-C<sub>α</sub>H<sub>2</sub> and 3-C<sub>α</sub>H), 3.94 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, 1-C<sub>α</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.88 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.16 (dt, J = 13.3, 6.6 Hz, 1H, 1-C<sub>β</sub>H), 1.45 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 6H, 3-C<sub>β</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 3-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.06 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H, 1-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 1-C<sub>δ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.69,

164.09, 163.23, 152.75, 147.39, 145.78, 141.70, 139.55, 132.88, 132.03, 130.82, 130.54, 125.81, 125.10, 123.24, 119.22, 119.19, 119.05, 118.58, 117.47, 113.95, 113.12, 111.06, 76.07, 71.87, 69.82, 52.06, 28.20, 22.22, 19.00; HRMS found 606.2456, C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>35</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>9</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 606.2446

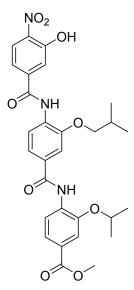
### O2N-[ O-iBu(3-HABA)]-[O-iBu (3-HABA)]-[ O-Allyl(3-HABA)]-COOMe, 6c



 $v_{\text{max}}$ /cm<sup>-1</sup> (solid state) 3435, 2956, 1714, 1679; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.83 (s, 1H, Amide N-H), 8.78 (s, 1H, Amide N-H), 8.66 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 8.64 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.94 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.77 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.66 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.64 – 7.57 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.46 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.42 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.16 (ddt, J = 17.2, 10.6, 5.4 Hz, 1H, 3-C<sub>β</sub>H), 5.52 (dd, J = 17.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H, 3-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>trans</sub>), 5.43 (dd, J = 10.5, 1.1 Hz, 1H, 3-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>cis</sub>), 4.75 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 2H, 3-C<sub>α</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 4.04 – 3.95 (m, 4H, 1-C<sub>α</sub>H<sub>2</sub> and 2-C<sub>α</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.92 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.32 – 2.10 (m, 2H, 1-C<sub>β</sub>H and 2-C<sub>β</sub>H), 1.14 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H, 1-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 1-C<sub>δ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.10 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H, 2-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 2-C<sub>δ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.63, 164.33, 163.08, 152.82, 147.78, 146.53, 141.72, 139.61, 132.27, 132.25, 130.77,

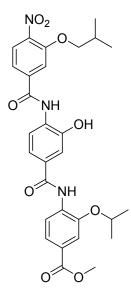
130.44, 125.92, 125.12, 123.71, 119.07, 118.89, 118.76, 118.62, 117.39, 113.74, 112.05, 110.54, 76.08, 75.20, 69.76, 52.12, 28.28, 28.22, 19.36, 19.03; HRMS found 620.2609, C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>37</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>9</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 620.2602

#### O2N-[(3-HABA)]-[O-iBu (3-HABA)]-[O-iPr (3-HABA)]-COOMe, 7a



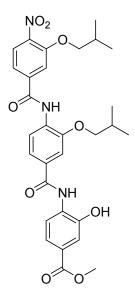
Prepared using standard procedure E on 0.58 mmol scale (267 mg, 81%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  10.61 (s, 1H, OH), 8.87 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.77 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.64 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 8.28 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.74 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.68 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.63 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.61 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.47 (dd, J = 8.8, 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.44 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 4.78 (hept, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H, 3-C<sub>a</sub>H), 4.00 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H, 2-C<sub>a</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.92 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.24 (dp, J = 13.4, 6.6 Hz, 1H, 2-C<sub>β</sub>H), 1.46 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 6H3-C<sub>β</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 3-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.12 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H, 2-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 2-C<sub>δ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>); HRMS Found: 566.212; C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>31</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>9</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 566.2133

#### O2N-[O-iBu(3-HABA)]-[(3-HABA)]-[O-iPr(3-HABA)]-COOMe, 7b



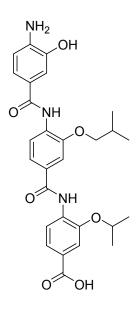
Prepared using standard procedure E on a 0.4 mmol scale (168 mg, 75%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, *d*<sub>6</sub>-DMSO) δ 10.34 (s, 1H, OH), 9.86 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 9.22 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.25 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 8.00 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.88 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.83 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.66 – 7.60 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.58 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.49 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.44 (dd, J = 8.3, 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 4.82 – 4.69 (m, 1H, 3-C<sub>α</sub>H), 4.05 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H, 1-C<sub>α</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.33 (s, 3H, OMe) 2.06 (sept, 6.6 Hz, 1H, 1-C<sub>β</sub>H), 1.36 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 6H, 3-C<sub>β</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 3-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 0.99 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H, 1-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 1-C<sub>δ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>); HRMS Found 566.2126; C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>31</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>9</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 566.2133.

#### O2N-[O-iBu(3-HABA)] O-iBu(3-HABA)]-[(3-HABA)]-COOMe, 7c



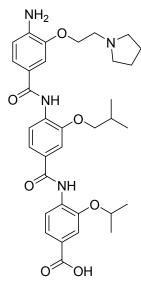
Prepared using standard procedure E on a 1 mmol scale (442 mg, 74%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz,  $d_6$ -DMSO)  $\delta$  10.37 (s, 1H, OH), 9.81 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 9.54 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.02 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.96 (app.t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.80 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.66 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.64 – 7.59 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.53 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.48 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 4.03 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, 1-C<sub> $\alpha$ </sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.93 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H, 2-C<sub> $\alpha$ </sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.83 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.17 – 1.97 (m, 2H, 1-C<sub> $\beta$ </sub>H and 2-C<sub> $\beta$ </sub>H), 1.01 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H, 1-C<sub> $\gamma$ </sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 1-C<sub> $\delta$ </sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 0.99 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H, 2-C<sub> $\gamma$ </sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 2-C<sub> $\delta$ </sub>H<sub>3</sub>); HRMS Found 580.2288; C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>33</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>9</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 580.2289.

#### H<sub>2</sub>N-[(3-HABA)]-[O--<sup>i</sup>Bu(3-HABA)]-[O-<sup>i</sup>Pr(3-HABA)]-COOH, 8a



Prepared by standard procedures C and A and purification by mass directed HPLC (14.4 mg, 62%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, *d*<sub>6</sub>-DMSO)  $\delta$ 9.30 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.86 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.28 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.61 – 7.53 (m, 4H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.19 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 2.1 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.64 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 4.76 – 4.67 (m, 1H, 3-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H), 3.97 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H, 2-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 1.90 – 1.79 (m, 1H, 2-C<sub>\beta</sub>H), 1.35 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 6H, 3-C<sub>\beta</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 3-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.03 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 6H, 2-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 2-C<sub>\beta</sub>H<sub>3</sub>); HRMS found 522.2244 C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>31</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 522.2234

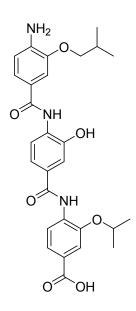
## H<sub>2</sub>N-[2-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)ethoxy(3-HABA)]-[*O*--<sup>*i*</sup>Bu(3-HABA)]-[*O*--<sup>*i*</sup>Pr(3-HABA)]-COOH, 8b



Prepared by standard procedure F followed by standard procedures C and A and purification by mass directed HPLC (7.8 mg, 36%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, *d*<sub>6</sub>-DMSO) δ 9.16 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 9.00 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.50 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 8.20 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.89 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.56 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.46 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 7.37 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.70 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 4.61 (dt, J = 12.1, 6.1 Hz, 1H,  $3-C_{\alpha}H$ ), 4.10 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H, 1- $C_{\beta}H^2$ ), 3.95 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H,  $2-C_{\beta}H_2$ ), 2.83 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H, 1- $C_{\alpha}H_2$ ), 2.58 – 2.51 (m, 4H, pyrrolidine 2 × CH<sub>2</sub>) 2.14 (dt, J = 13.1, 6.5 Hz, 1H,  $2-C_{\beta}H$ ), 1.73 – 1.65 (m, 4H, pyrrolidine 2 × CH<sub>2</sub>) 1.31 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 6H,  $3-C_{\beta}H_3$  and  $3-C_{\gamma}H_3$ ), 1.25 – 1.09 (m, 5H), 1.08 – 0.97 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H,  $2-C_{\gamma}H_3$  and  $2-C_{\delta}H_3$ ). HRMS Found

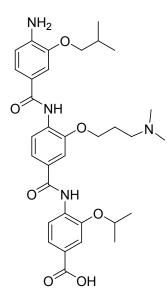
619.3136 C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>42</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 619.3126

#### H<sub>2</sub>N-[O-<sup>i</sup>Bu(3-HABA)]-[(3-HABA)]-[O-<sup>i</sup>Pr(3-HABA)]-COOH, 8c



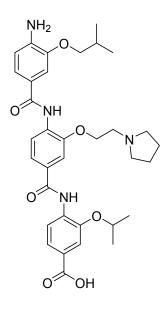
Prepared by standard procedures C and A and purification by mass directed HPLC (11.8 mg, 51%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, *d*<sub>6</sub>-DMSO)  $\delta$ 9.26 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 9.15 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.22 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.99 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.63 – 7.52 (m, 4H) 7.47 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.77 – 4.69 (m, 1H, 3-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H), 3.81 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H, 1-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 2.13 – 2.02 (m, 1H, 1-C<sub>\beta</sub>H), 1.36 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 6H, 3-C<sub>\beta</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 3-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.02 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 6H, 1-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 1-C<sub>\delta</sub>H<sub>3</sub>); HRMS found 522.2241 C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>31</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 522.2234

H<sub>2</sub>N-[ *O*--<sup>*i*</sup>Bu(3-HABA)]-[ 3-(dimethylamino)propoxy (3-HABA)]-[*O*-<sup>*i*</sup>Pr(3-HABA)]-COOH, 8d



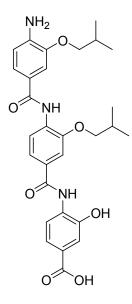
Prepared by standard procedure F followed by standard procedures C and A and purification by mass directed HPLC (11 mg, 49%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz,  $d_6$ -DMSO)  $\delta$  9.28 (s, 1H, Amide N-H), 9.04 (s, 1H, Amide N-H), 8.22 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 8.11 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.64 – 7.55 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.37 – 7.33 (m, 1H, Ar-H) 6.70 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 4.74 – 4.66 (m, 1H, 3-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H), 4.20 (t, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H, 2-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.80 (t, J = 5.4 Hz, 2H, 2-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 2.41 (m, 2H, 2-C<sub>\beta</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 2.14 (s, 6H, 2 × NMe), 1.97 (m, 1H, 1-C<sub>\beta</sub>H) 1.35 (dd, J = 6.0, 1.8 Hz, 6H, 3-C<sub>\beta</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 3-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.02 (dd, J = 6.7, 3.1 Hz, 6H, 1-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 1-C<sub>\beta</sub>H<sub>3</sub>); HRMS Found 607.3138, C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>42</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 607.3126.

## H<sub>2</sub>N-[ *O*--*i*Bu(3-HABA)]-[ 2-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)ethoxy (3-HABA)] -[*O*-*i*Pr(3-HABA)]-COOH, 8e



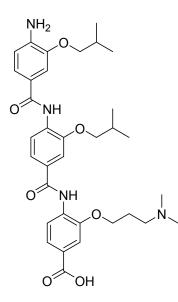
Prepared by standard procedure F followed by standard procedures C and A and purification by mass directed HPLC (6.2 mg, 29%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz,  $d_6$ -DMSO)  $\delta$  9.28 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 9.26 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.39 – 8.25 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 8.08 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.72 – 7.50 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 7.33 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 4.74 – 4.63 (m, 1H, 3-C<sub>a</sub>H), 4.29 (m, 2H, 2-C<sub>β</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.80 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, 1-C<sub>a</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 2.84 (m, 2H, 2-C<sub>a</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 2.09 (m, 1H, 1-C<sub>β</sub>H), 1.60 – 1.50 (m, 4H, pyrrolidine 2 × CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.35 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 6H, 3-C<sub>β</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 3-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.03 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H, 1-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 1-C<sub>δ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>); HRMS Found 619.3142, C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>42</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 619.3126j

#### H<sub>2</sub>N-[O-<sup>i</sup>Bu(3-HABA)]-[O-<sup>i</sup>Bu(3-HABA)]-[(3-HABA)]-COOH, 8f



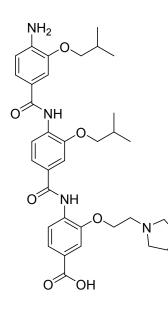
Prepared by standard procedures C and A and purification by mass directed HPLC (5.5 mg, 20%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz,  $d_6$ -DMSO)  $\delta$  9.47 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.99 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.24 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.92 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.64 – 7.58 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.50 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.45 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.35 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.31 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.70 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 3.96 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H, 1-C<sub>a</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.79 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, 2-C<sub>a</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 2.18 – 2.01 (m, 2H, 1-C<sub>β</sub>H and 2-C<sub>β</sub>H), 1.05 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H, 1-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 1-C<sub>δ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.02 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H, 2-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 2-C<sub>δ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>); HRMS found 536.23994 C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>33</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 536.2391

#### H<sub>2</sub>N-[*O*-<sup>*i*</sup>Bu (3-HABA)]- [*O*--<sup>*i*</sup>Bu(3-HABA)]- [3-(dimethylamino)propoxy (3-HABA)]-COOH, 8g



Prepared by standard procedure F followed by standard procedures C and A and purification by mass directed HPLC (15 mg, 70%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, *d*<sub>6</sub>-DMSO)  $\delta$  9.50 (s, 1H, Amide N-H), 9.00 (s, 1H, Amide N-H), 8.25 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 8.00 (t, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.64 – 7.59 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.35 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 4.19 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 2H, 3-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.10 – 2.99 (m, 3H, 3-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 2.64 – 2.57 (s, 6H, 2 × NMe), 2.19 – 2.01 (m, 4H, 1-C<sub>\beta</sub>H, 2-C<sub>\beta</sub>H and 3-C<sub>\beta</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 1.05 (t, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 6H, 1-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 1-C<sub>\delta</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.01 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 6H, 2-C<sub>\alpha</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 2-C<sub>\delta</sub>H<sub>3</sub>); HRMS Found 621.3293 C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>44</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 621.3288.

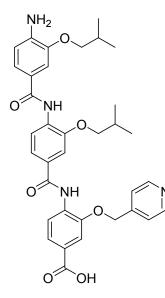
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Prepared by standard procedure F followed by standard procedures C and A and purification by mass directed HPLC (16 mg, 72%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz,  $d_6$ -DMSO)  $\delta$  9.83 (s, 1H, Amide-NH), 8.99 (s, 1H, Amide-NH), 8.25 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 8.04 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.77 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 7.69 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.64 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.61 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.35 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.30 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.71 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 4.45 (t, J = 4.4 Hz, 2H,  $3-C_{\alpha}H_2$ ), 4.01 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H,  $1-C_{\alpha}H_2$ ), 3.79 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H,  $2-C_{\alpha}H_2$ ), 3.59 (m, 2H,  $3-C_{\beta}H_2$ ), 2.15 (dt, J = 13.5, 6.6 Hz, 1H,  $1-C_{\beta}H$ ), 2.08 (dt, J = 13.2, 6.7 Hz, 1H,  $2-C_{\beta}H$ ),1.93-1.86 (m, 4H, pyrrolidine 2 × CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.27 – 1.22 (m, 4H, pyrrolidine 2 × CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.05 (d, J = 1.2

6.7 Hz, 6H,  $1-C_{\gamma}H_3$  and  $1-C_{\delta}H_3$ ), 1.02 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H,  $2-C_{\gamma}H_3$  and  $2-C_{\delta}H_3$ ); HRMS Found 633.3294  $C_{35}H_{44}N_2O_7$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 633.3282

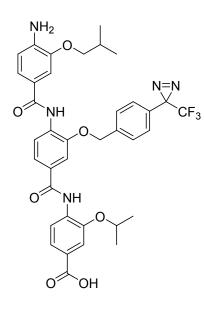
H<sub>2</sub>N-[*O*-<sup>*i*</sup>Bu (3-HABA)]- [*O*--<sup>*i*</sup>Bu(3-HABA)]- [pyridin-4-ylmethoxy (3-HABA)]-COOH, 8i



Prepared by standard procedure F followed by standard procedures C and A and purification by mass directed HPLC (8.7 mg, 40%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz,  $d_6$ -DMSO)  $\delta$  9.57 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.99 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.22 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 8.04 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 8.01 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.71 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.66 – 7.52 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 7.51 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.44 (dt, J = 7.6, 3.8 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.35 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.31 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.71 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 5.41 (s, 2H, 3-C<sub>a</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.90 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H, 1-C<sub>a</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.79 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, 2-C<sub>a</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 2.19 – 2.03 (m, 2H, 1-C<sub>b</sub>H and 2-C<sub>b</sub>H), 1.04 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H, 1-C<sub>y</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 1-C<sub>b</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.02 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H, 2-C<sub>y</sub>H<sub>3</sub>

and 2-C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>3</sub>); HRMS Found 627.2820 C<sub>35</sub>H<sub>38</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 627.2813

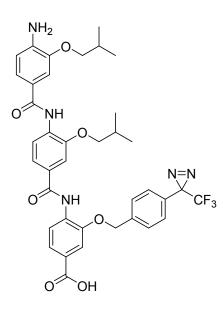
#### H<sub>2</sub>N-[ O-<sup>i</sup>Bu(3-HABA)]-[O-TFD (3-HABA)]-[O-<sup>i</sup>Pr(3-HABA)]-COOH, 8j



Prepared following standard procedure E followed by standard procedure C. The resulting material was dissolved in THF and cooled to 0 °C and sodium hydride (1 eq.) added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 minutes at 0 °C before 3-[4-(iodomethyl)phenyl]-3-(trifluoromethyl)-3H-diazirine **9** (prepared using literature methods)<sup>8</sup> (1.1 eq.) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred overnight and allowed to warm to r.t. The reaction mixture was then diluted with methanol and treated with 1M NaOH (aq.). Finally the reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and purified by mass directed HPLC (2.05 mg, 16%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.82 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.64 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 8.57 (m, 2H, Amide NH and Ar-H), 7.71

(d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.63 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 7.55 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.37 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.33 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 7.08 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 6.60 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 5.21 (s, 2H, 2-C<sub>a</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 4.73 – 4.64 (m, 1H, 3-C<sub>a</sub>H), 3.75 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H, 1-C<sub>a</sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 2.11 – 2.04 (m, 1H, 1-C<sub>β</sub>H), 1.39 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 6H, 3-C<sub>β</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 3-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 0.97 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 6H, 2-C<sub>γ</sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 2-C<sub>δ</sub>H<sub>3</sub>); HRMS Found: 720.2639; C<sub>37</sub>H<sub>36</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 720.2639.

#### H<sub>2</sub>N-[ *O*--<sup>*i*</sup>Bu(3-HABA)]-[*O*-<sup>*i*</sup>Bu(3-HABA)]-[*O*-*TFD*(3-HABA)]-COOH, 8k



Prepared following standard procedure E followed by standard procedure C. The resulting material was dissolved in THF and cooled to 0 °C and sodium hydride (1 eq.) added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 minutes at 0 °C before 3-[4-(iodomethyl)phenyl]-3-(trifluoromethyl)-3H-diazirine **9** (prepared using literature methods)<sup>8</sup> (1.1 eq.) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred overnight and allowed to warm to r.t. The reaction mixture was then diluted with methanol and treated with 1M NaOH (aq.). Finally the reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and purified by mass directed HPLC (4.6 mg, 44%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.79 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.76 (s, 1H, Amide NH), 8.72 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 8.68 (d, *J* =

8.4 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.88 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 7.72 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 7.58 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 7.53 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 7.44 (s, 1H, Ar-H), 7.40 – 7.33 (m, 2H, Ar-H), 7.30 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 2H, Ar-H), 6.78 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Ar-H), 5.31 (s, 2H, 3-C<sub> $\alpha$ </sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.96 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H, 1-C<sub> $\alpha$ </sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 3.90 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, 2-C<sub> $\alpha$ </sub>H<sub>2</sub>), 2.31 – 2.04 (m, 2H, 1-C<sub> $\beta$ </sub>H and 2-C<sub> $\beta$ </sub>H), 1.14 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H, 1-C<sub> $\gamma$ </sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 1-C<sub> $\delta$ </sub>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.10 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 6H, 2-C<sub> $\gamma$ </sub>H<sub>3</sub> and 2-C<sub> $\delta$ </sub>H<sub>3</sub>); HRMS Found: 734.2780; C<sub>38</sub>H<sub>38</sub>F<sub>3</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> requires 734.2796.

### **Competition Assays**

Competition assays and protein expression were carried out as previously reported.<sup>2,9</sup>

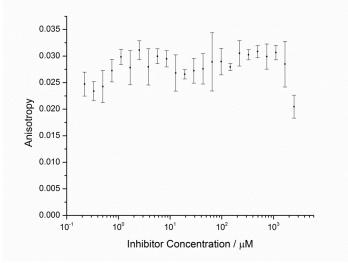


Figure S1. Inhibition profile of helix 2 mimetic compound 5

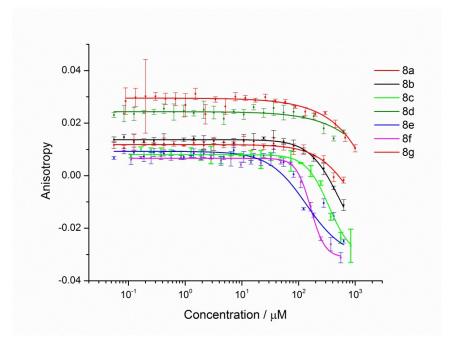


Figure S2. Inhibition curves for compounds 8a-g

## **Photo-Crosslinking Experiments**

A solution containing the photo-crosslinking compound (150  $\mu$ M) and p300 (100  $\mu$ M) in assay buffer was prepared and analysed by LC-MS on a Bruker HCT Ultra. Separate solutions containing only compound or only protein were treated identically. The solutions were then irradiated with UV light (365 nm) for 1 hour whilst cooled in an ice bath. The LC-MS analysis was then repeated. The protein signals were examined for any increase of adduct formation.

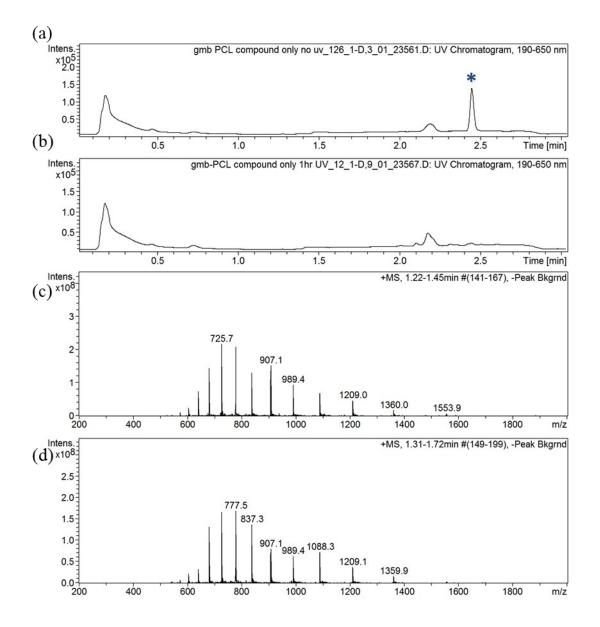
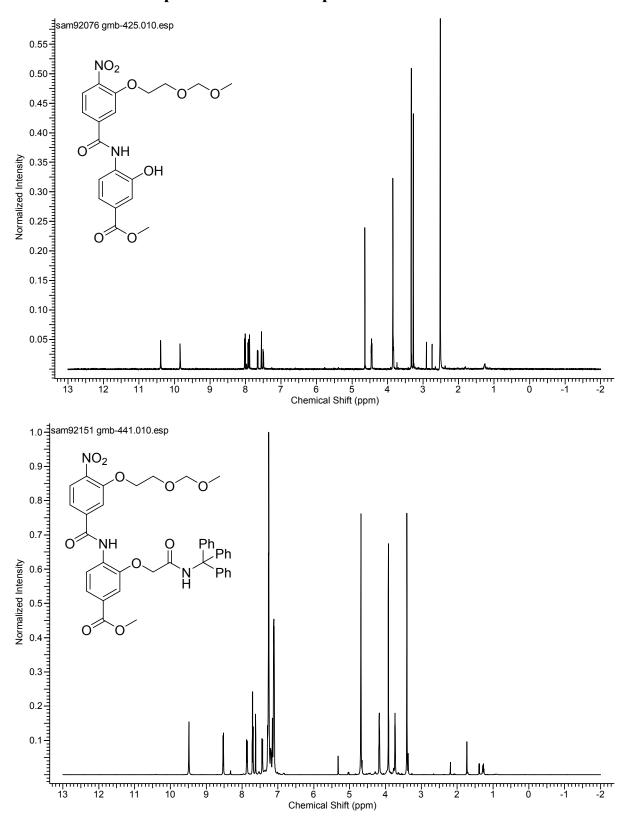
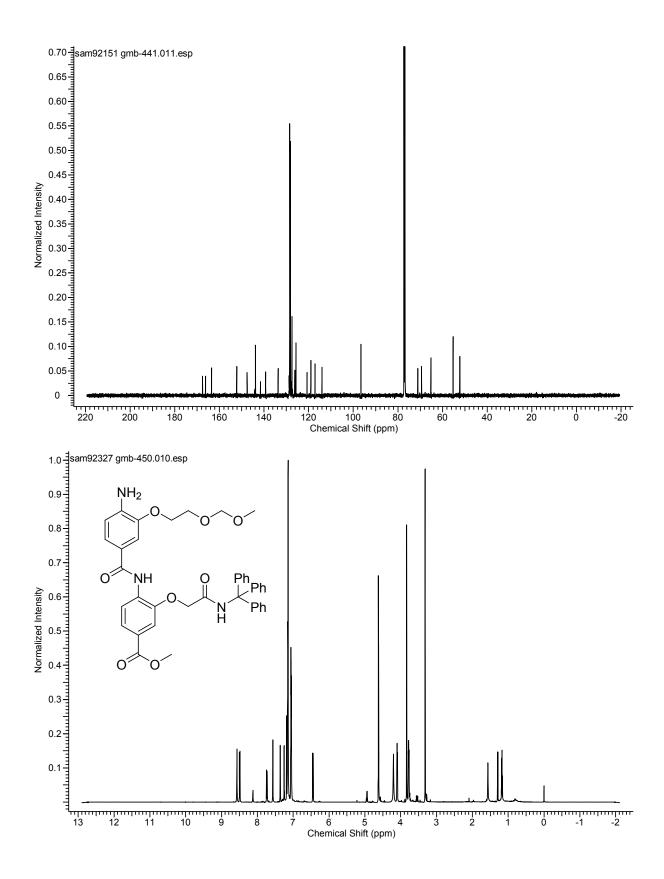


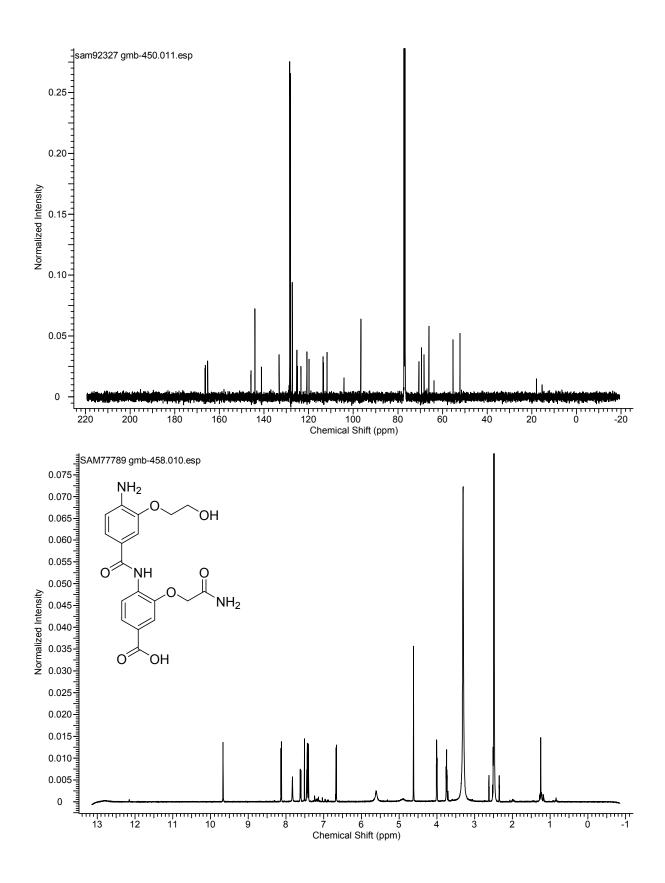
Figure S3 - Analytical data for photo-crosslinking experiments. (a) Chromatogram of 150 μM compound 8k in buffer prior to UV irradiation. The peak corresponding to compound 129 is denoted by the asterisk (b) Chromatogram of 150 μM compound 8k in buffer post UV irradiation (365 nm, 1 hour) (c) mass spectrum of protein before UV irradiation (365 nm, 1 hour) (d) mass spectrum of protein after UV activation (365 nm, 1 hour)

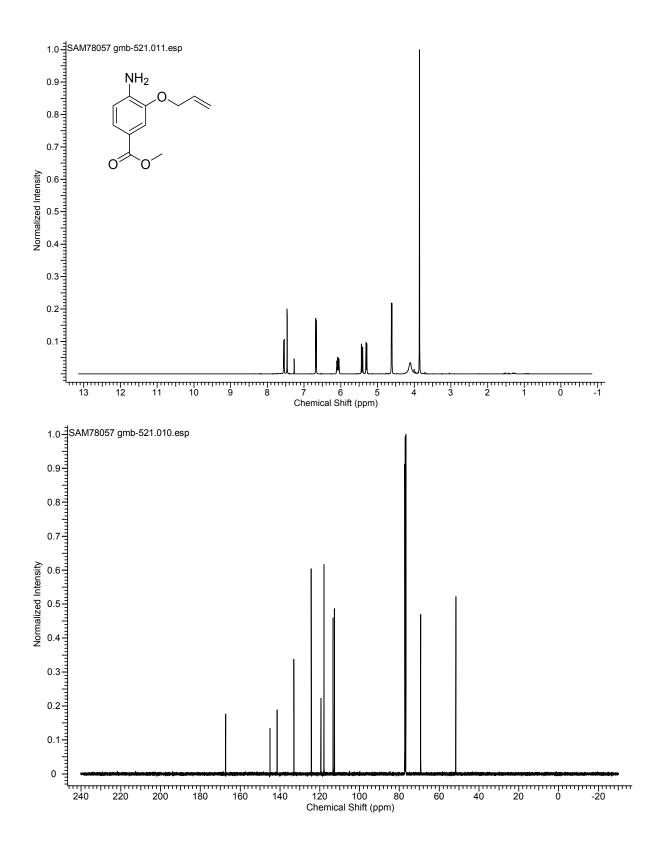
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9+	1208.8	1209.1	
10+	1088.1	1088.3	
11+	989.2	98934	
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14+	777.5	777.5	
15+	725.7	725.7	

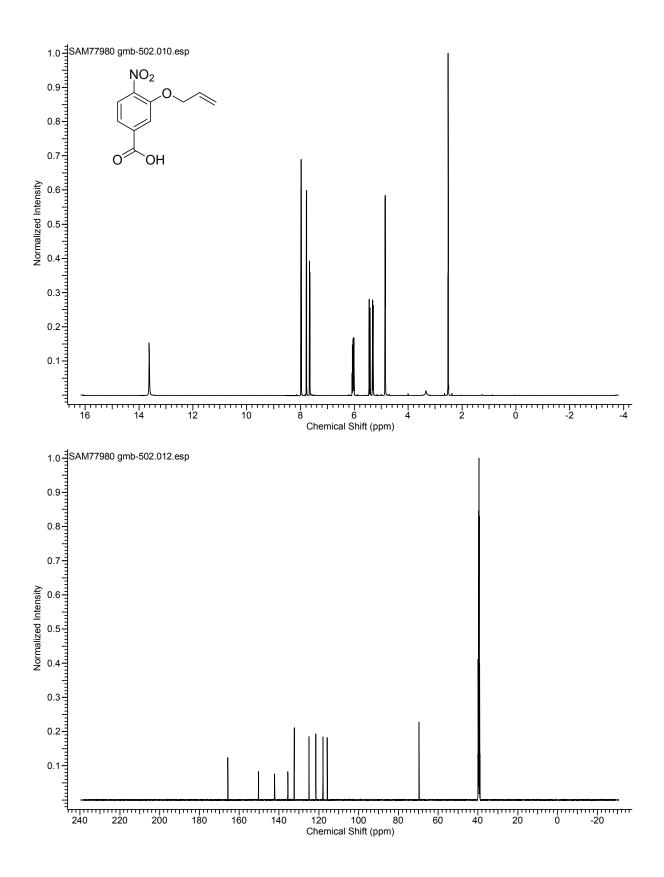


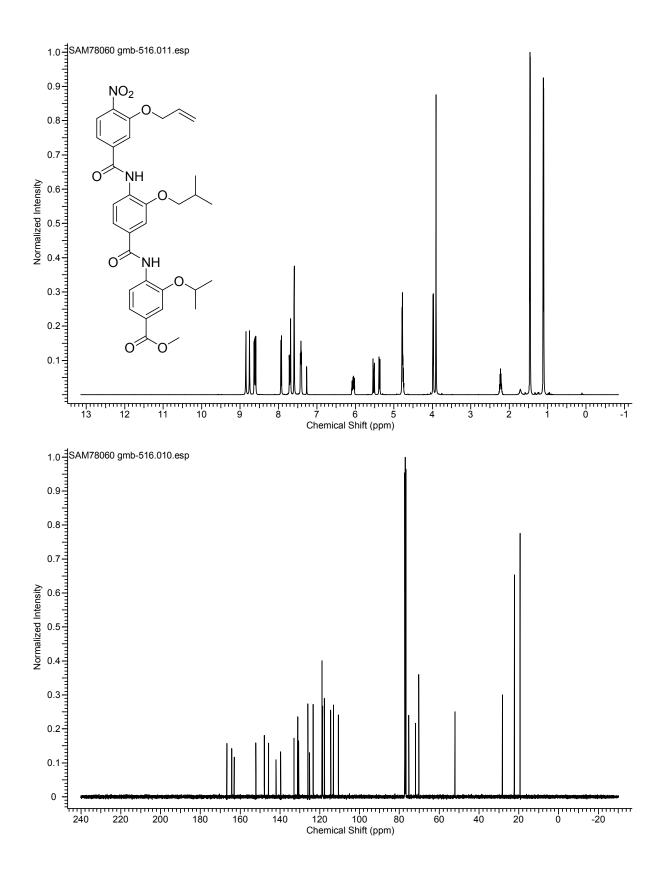
# NMR and HPLC Spectra for final compounds

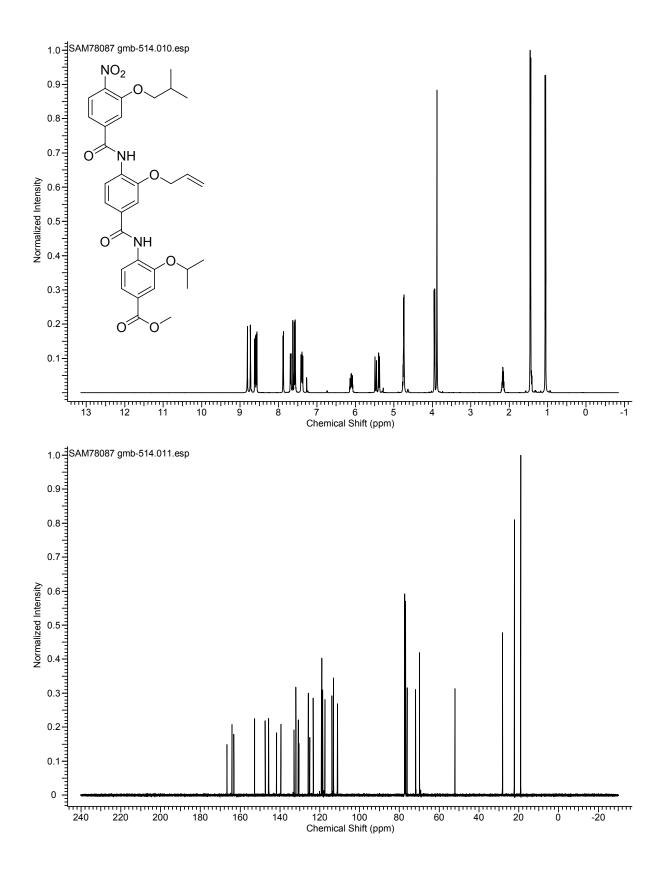


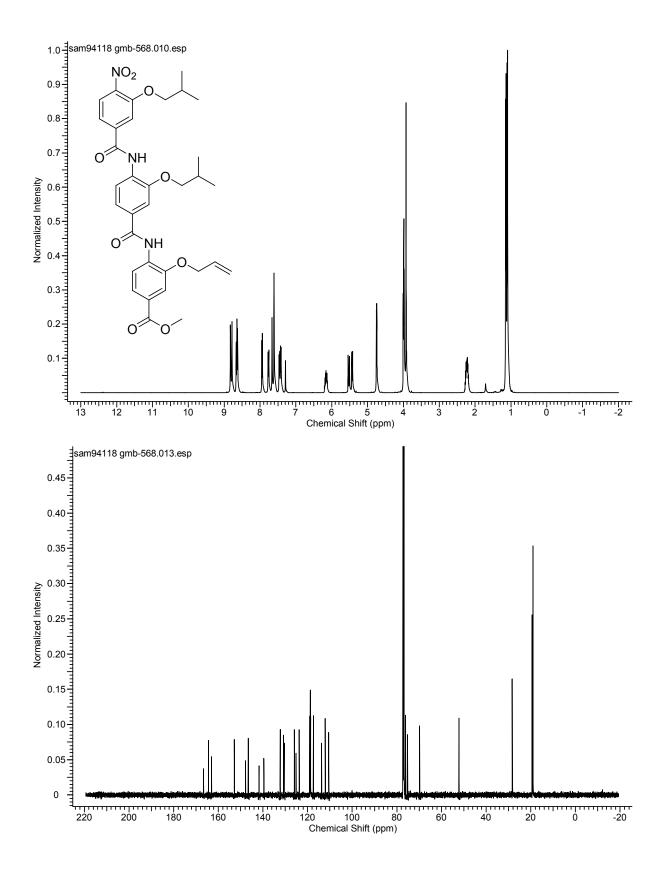


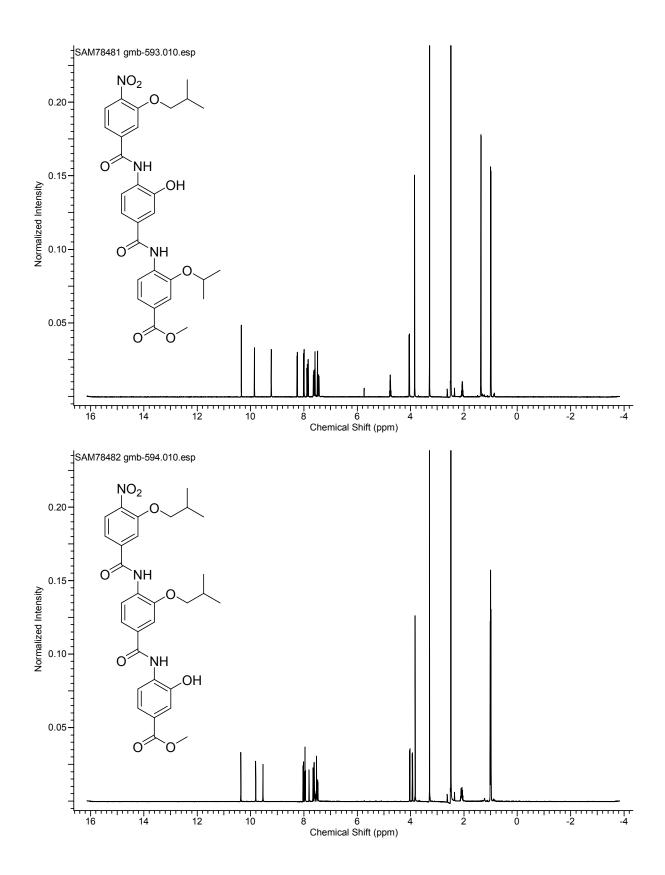


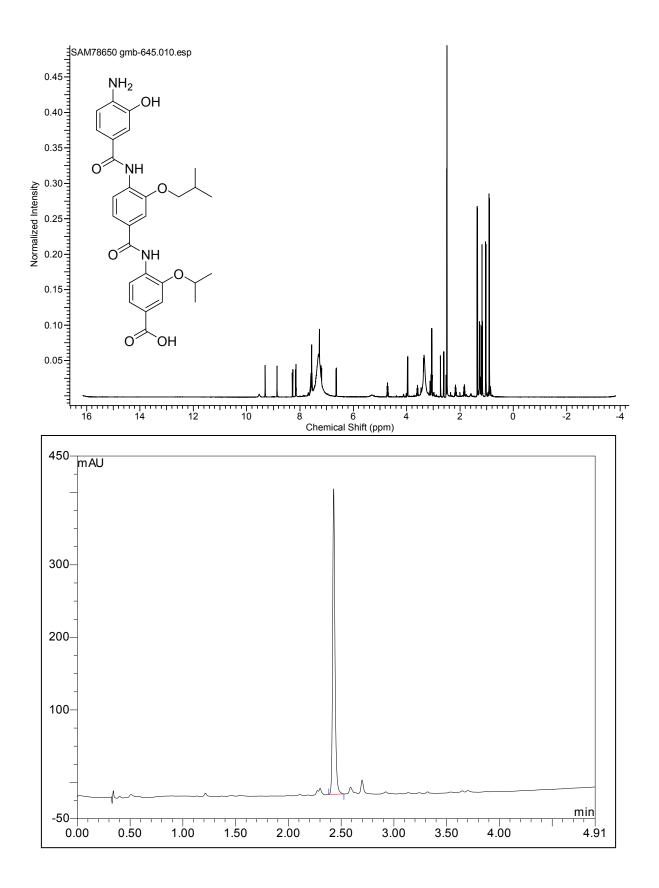


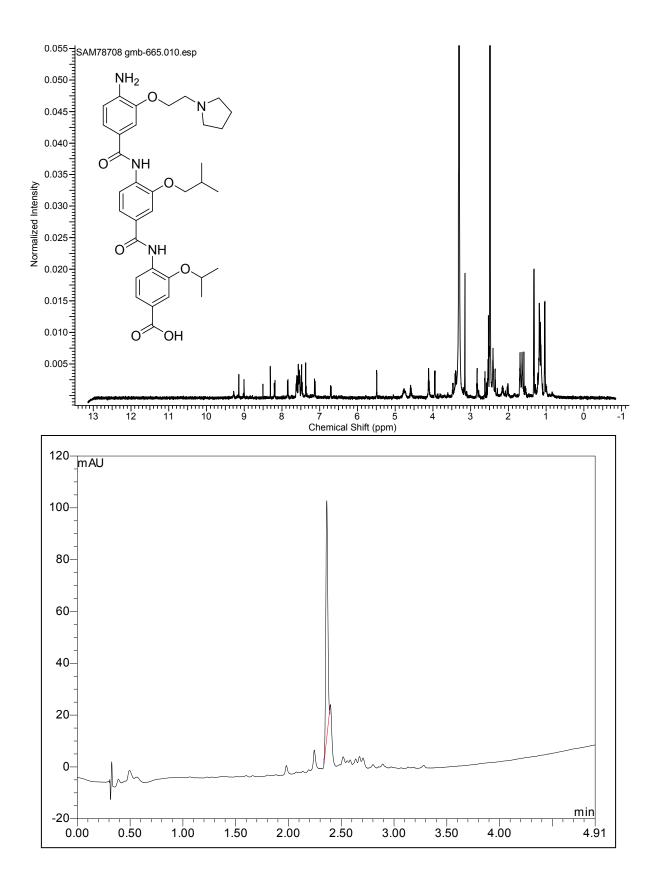


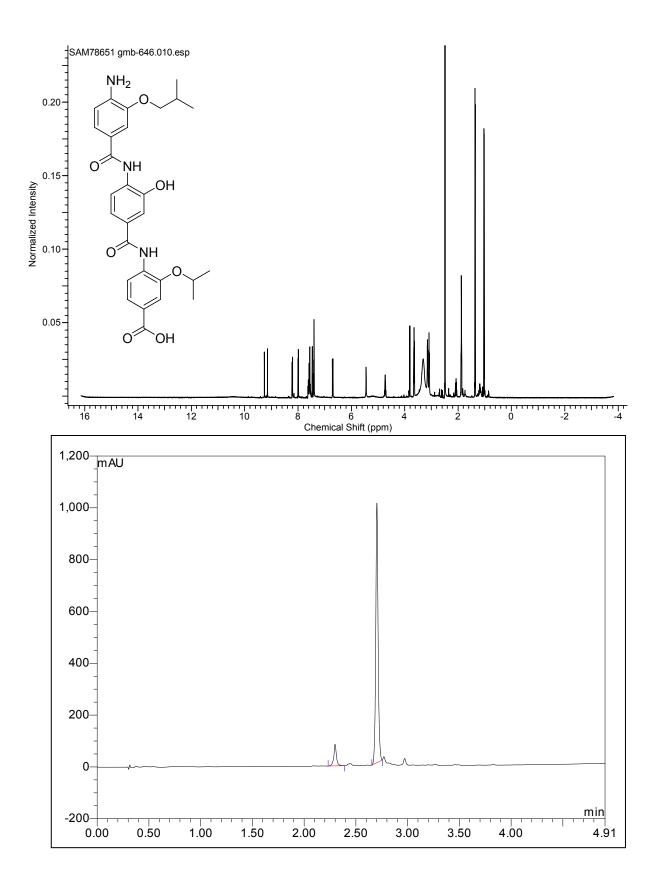


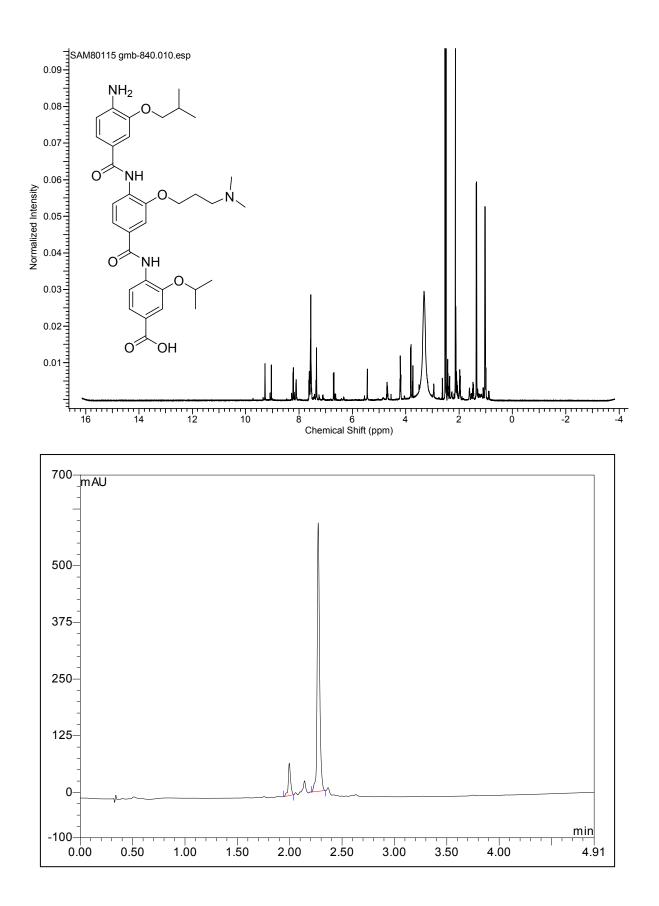


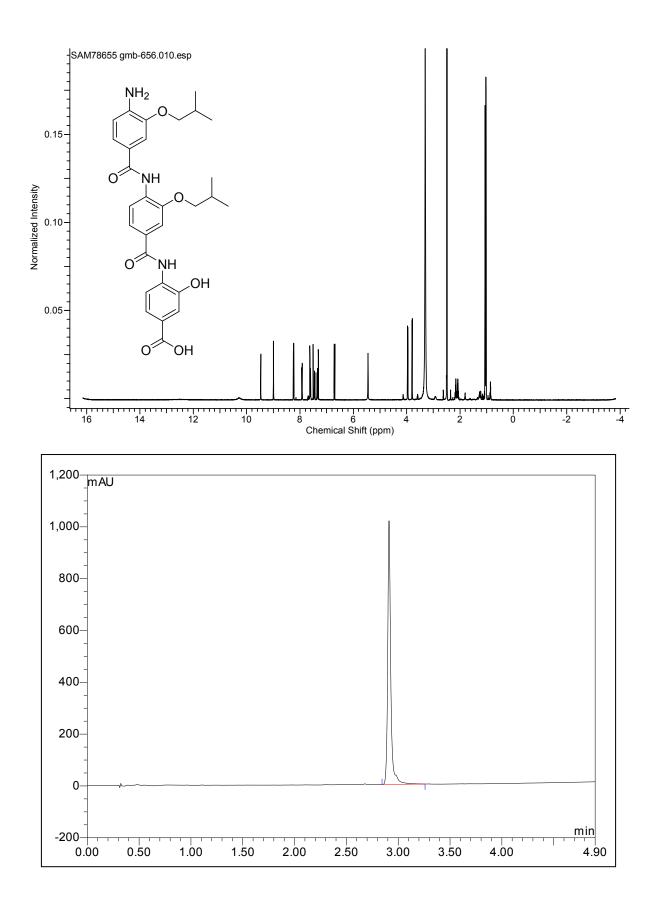


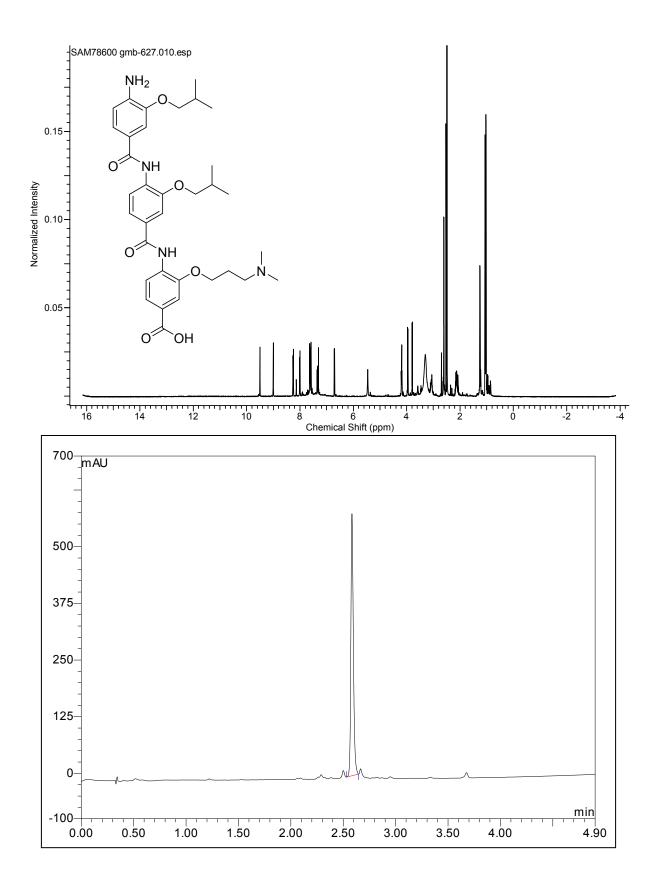


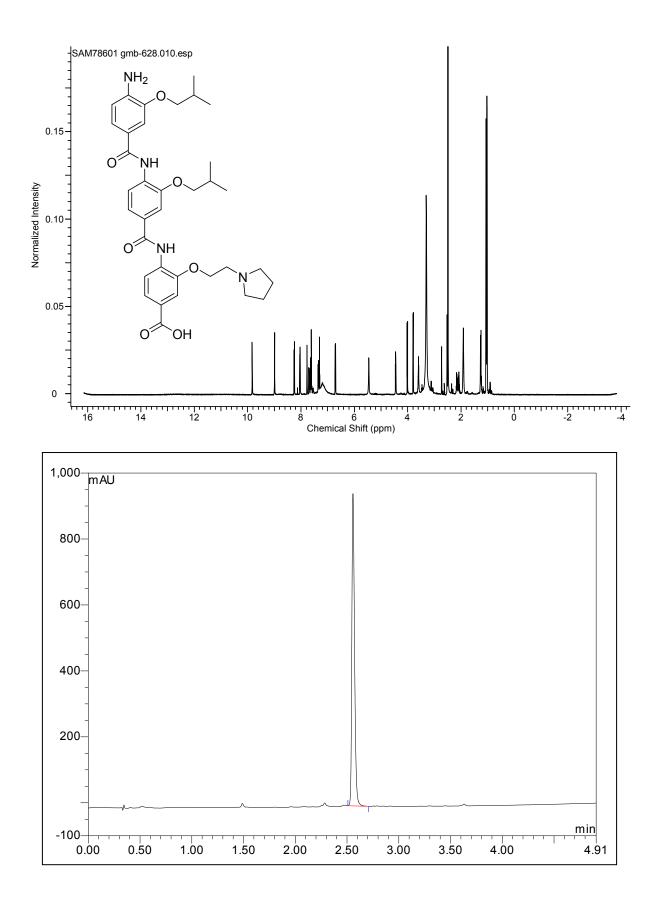


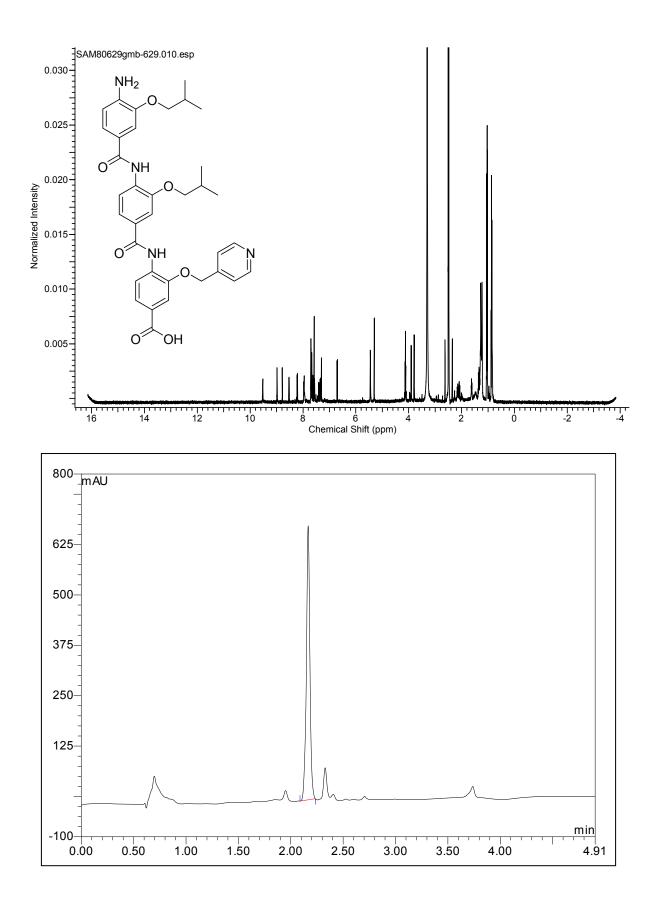


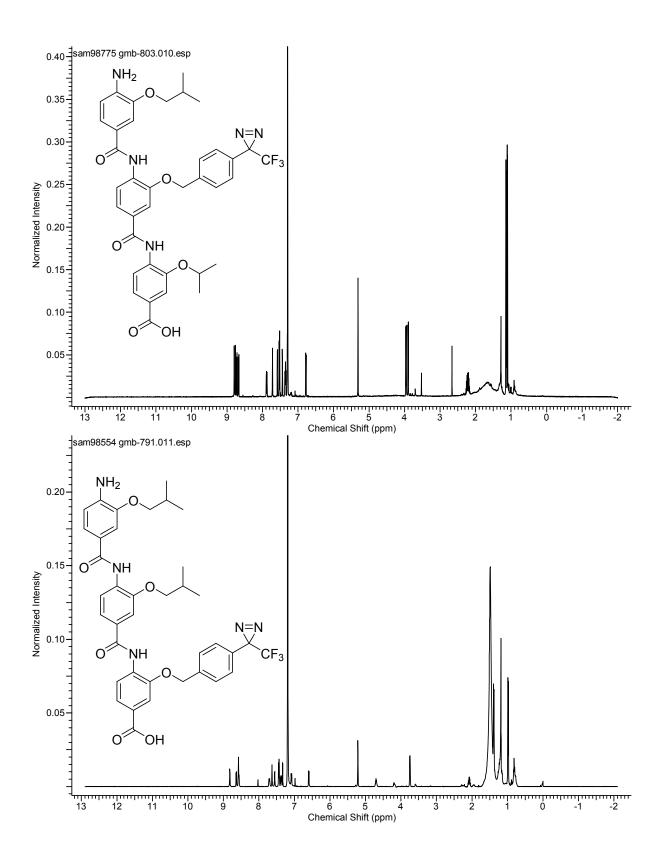












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