

SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE

Table S1. Optimized parameters of the developed HRMS, LC-HRMS and MSⁿ methods.

HRMS parameters		MSⁿ parameters (Direct MSⁿ and LC-MSⁿ)	
End plate offset (V)	-500	Spray voltage (kV)	5
Capillary (V)	4500	Sheath gas flow rate	40
Nebuliser (Bar)	1.2	Auxiliary gas flow rate	15
Dry gas (L/min)	6.0	Sweep gas flow rate	5
Dry temperature (°C)	220	Capillary temperature (°C)	271
Funnel 1 RF (Vpp)	250	Capillary voltage (V)	3
Funnel 2 RF (Vpp)	280	Tube lens (V)	15
ISCID energy (eV)	0		
Hexapole RF (Vpp)	280		
Ion energy	4.0		
Low Mass (m/z)	80		
Collision energy(eV/z)	10		
Transfer time (μs)	45		
Collision RF (Vpp)	250		
Pre pulse storage (μs)	10		

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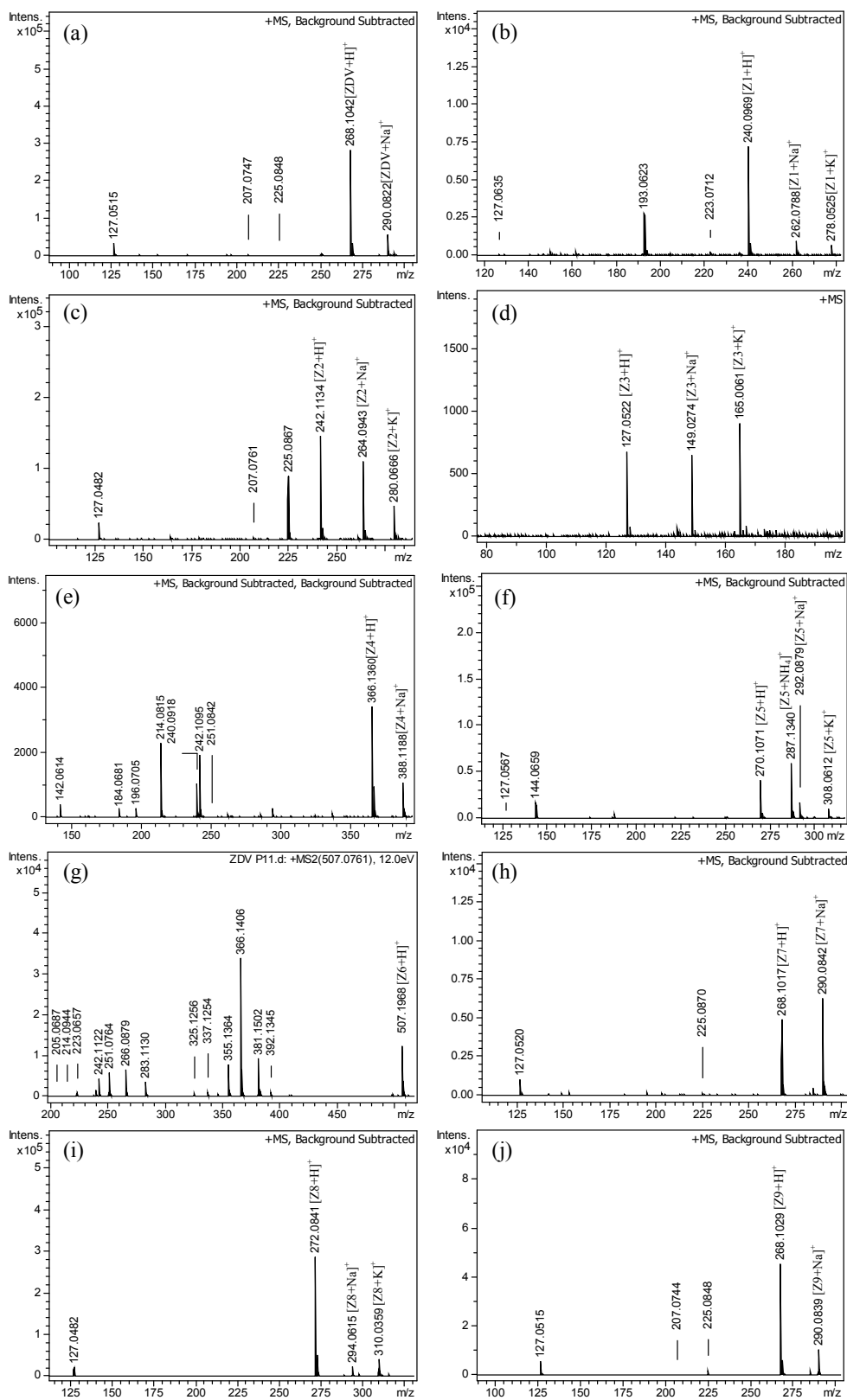
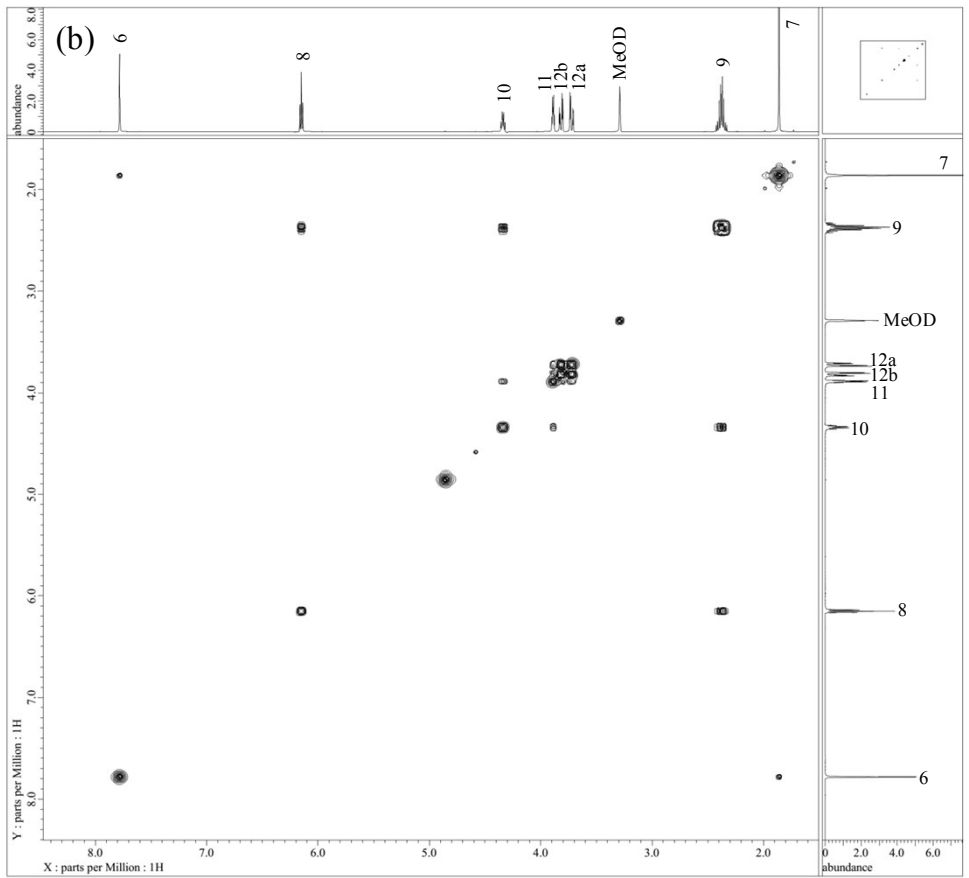
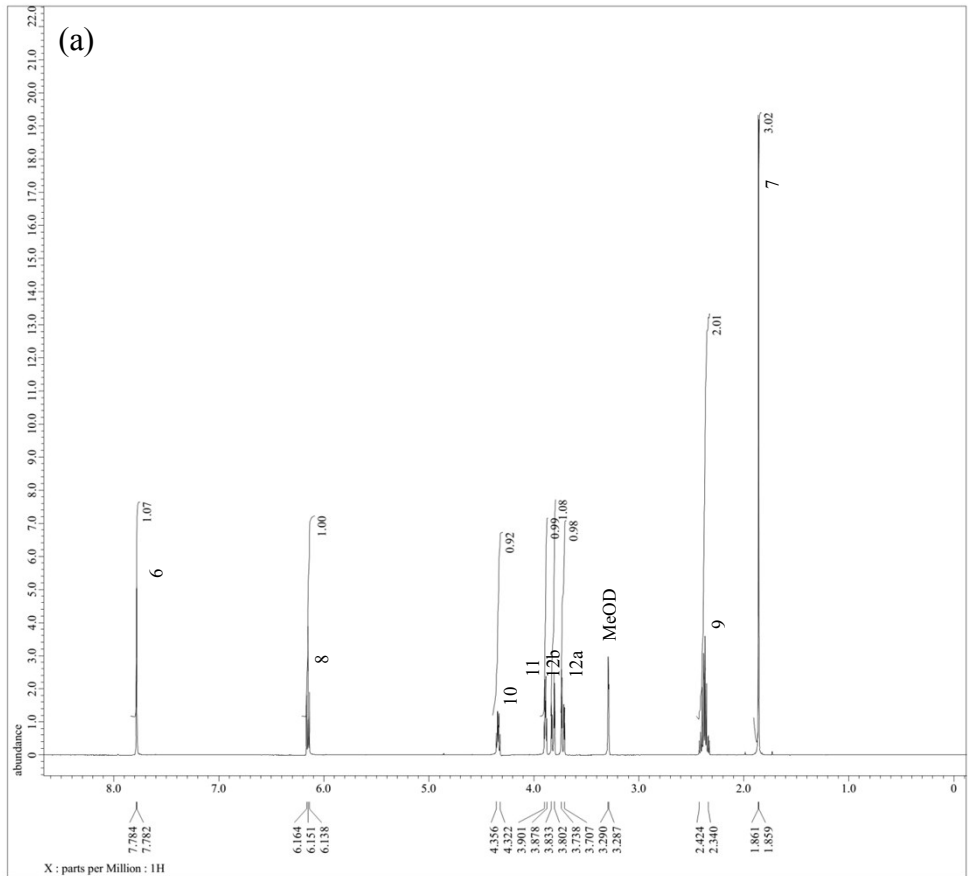
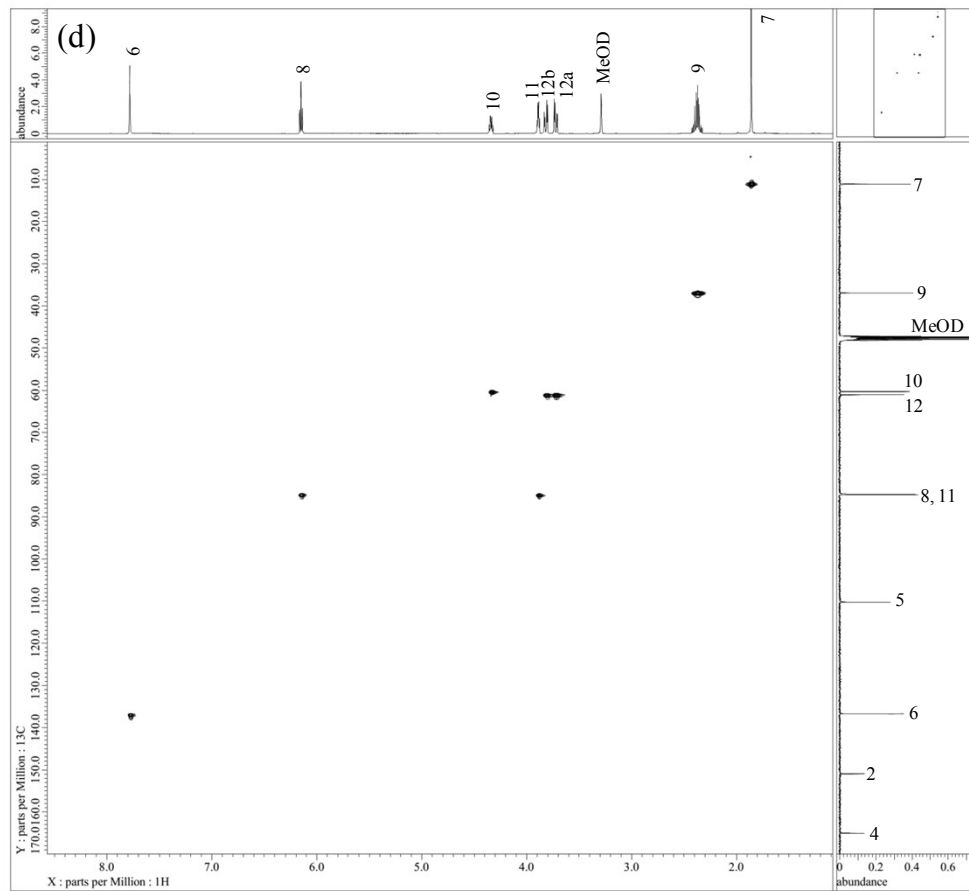
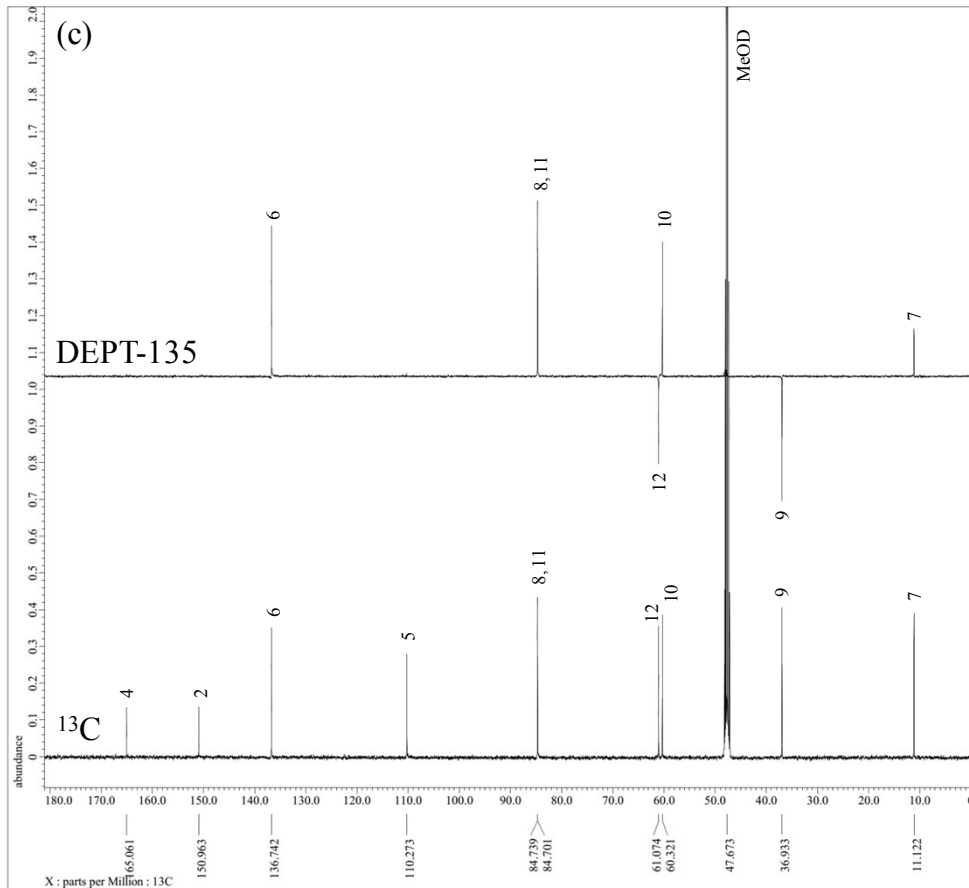


Fig. S1. HRMS line spectra of zidovudine (ZDV) (a) and its degradation products Z1-Z9 (b-j, respectively) under ESI +ve mode.





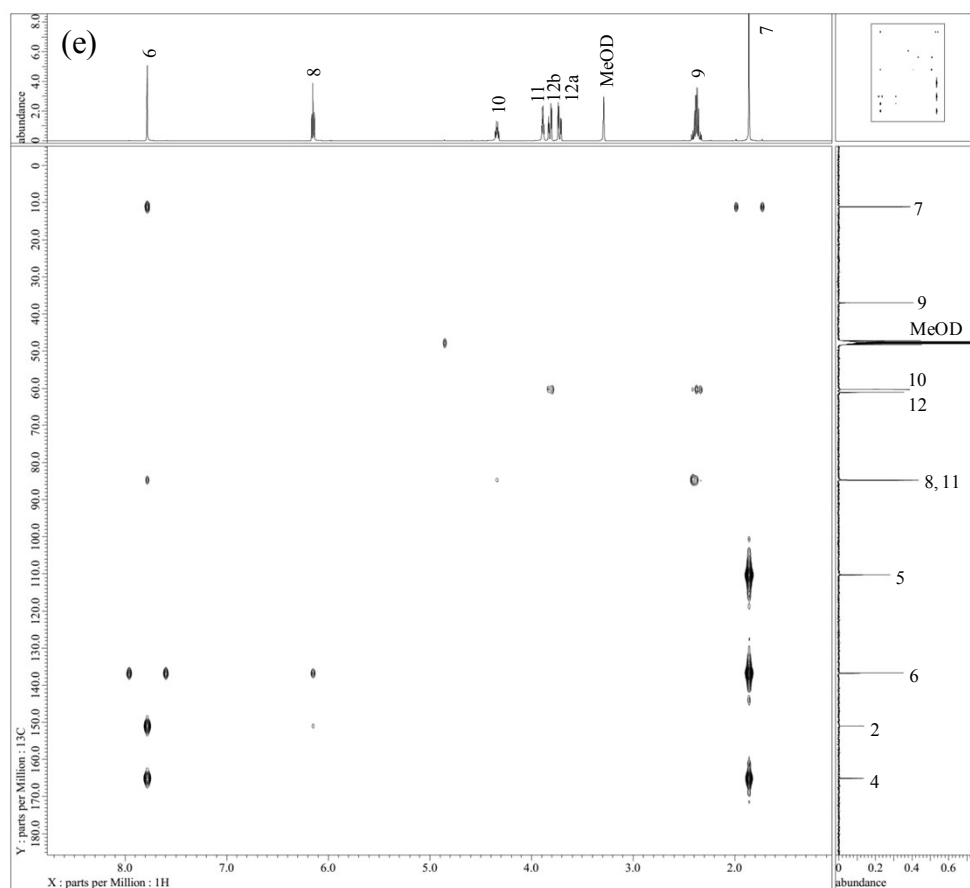


Fig. S2. NMR spectra of zidovudine (ZDV), ^1H (a); COSY (b); ^{13}C and DEPT-135 (c); HSQC (d), and HMBC (e).

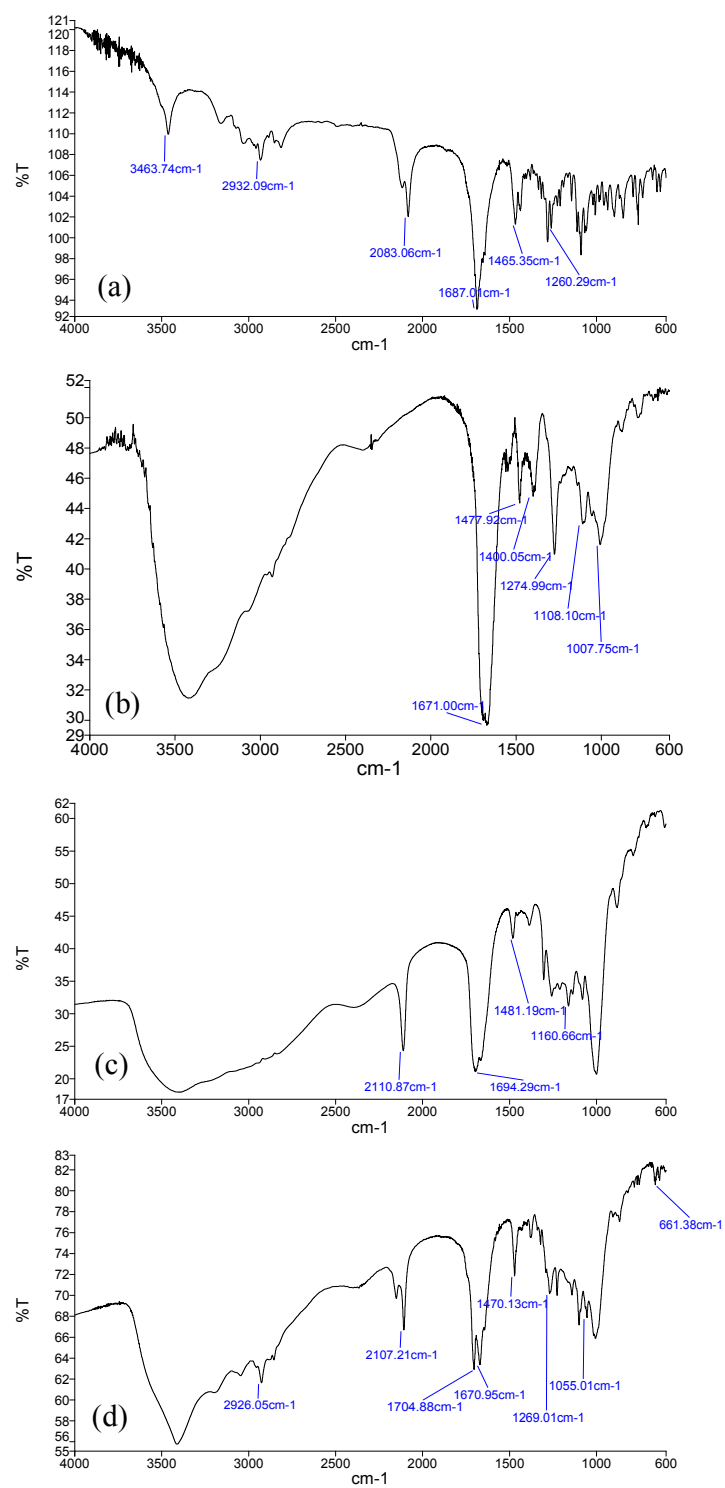
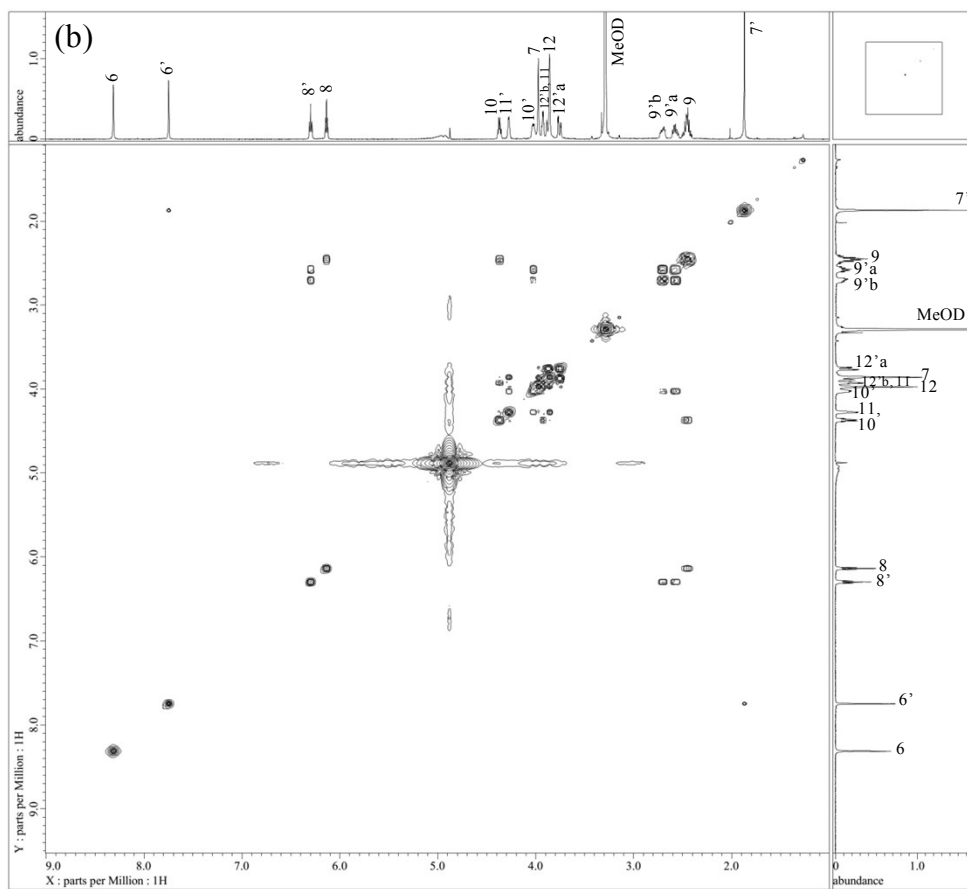
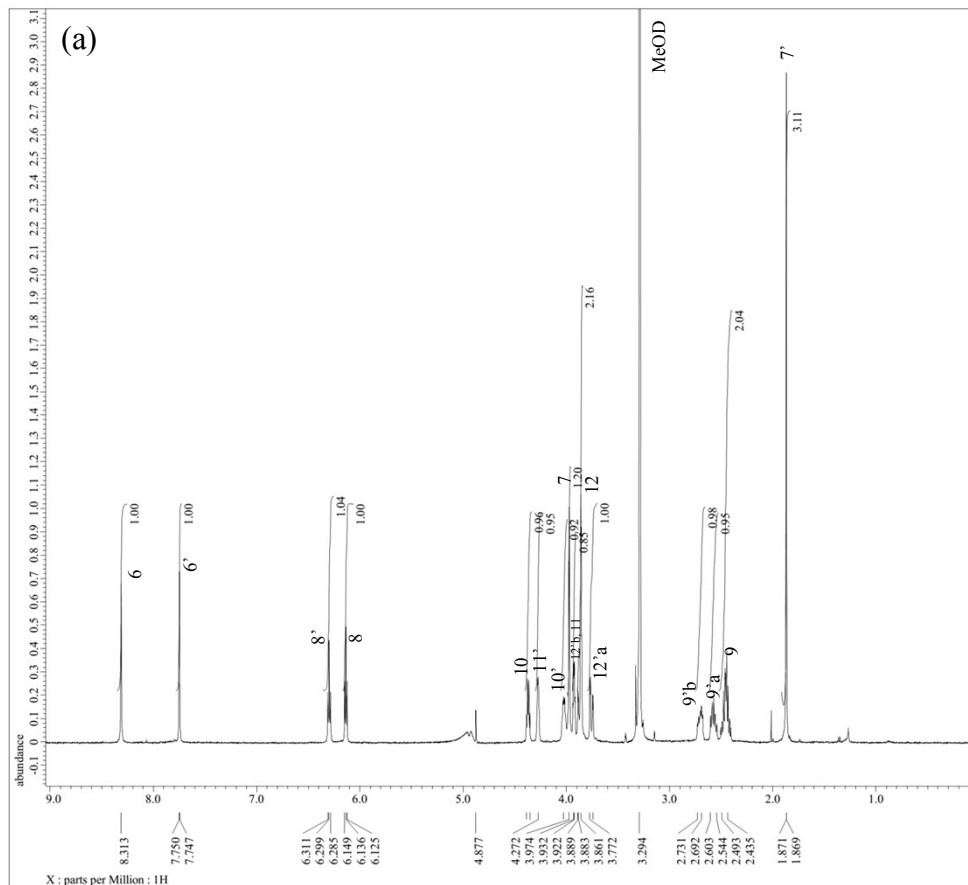
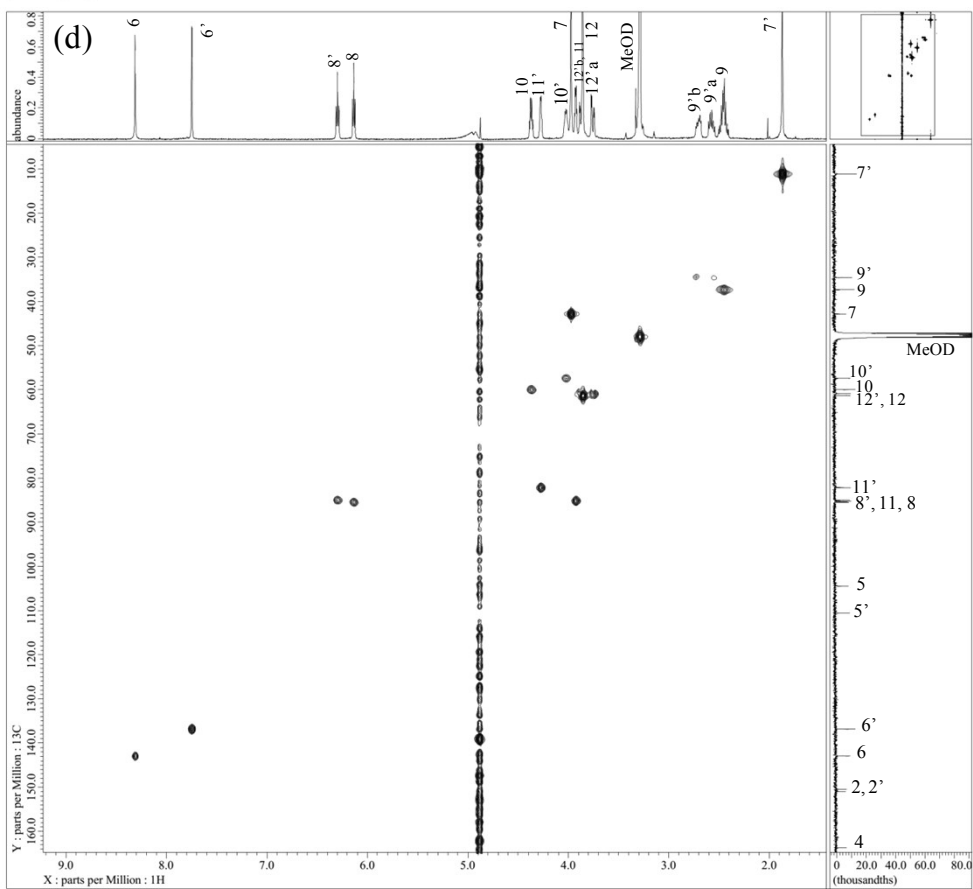
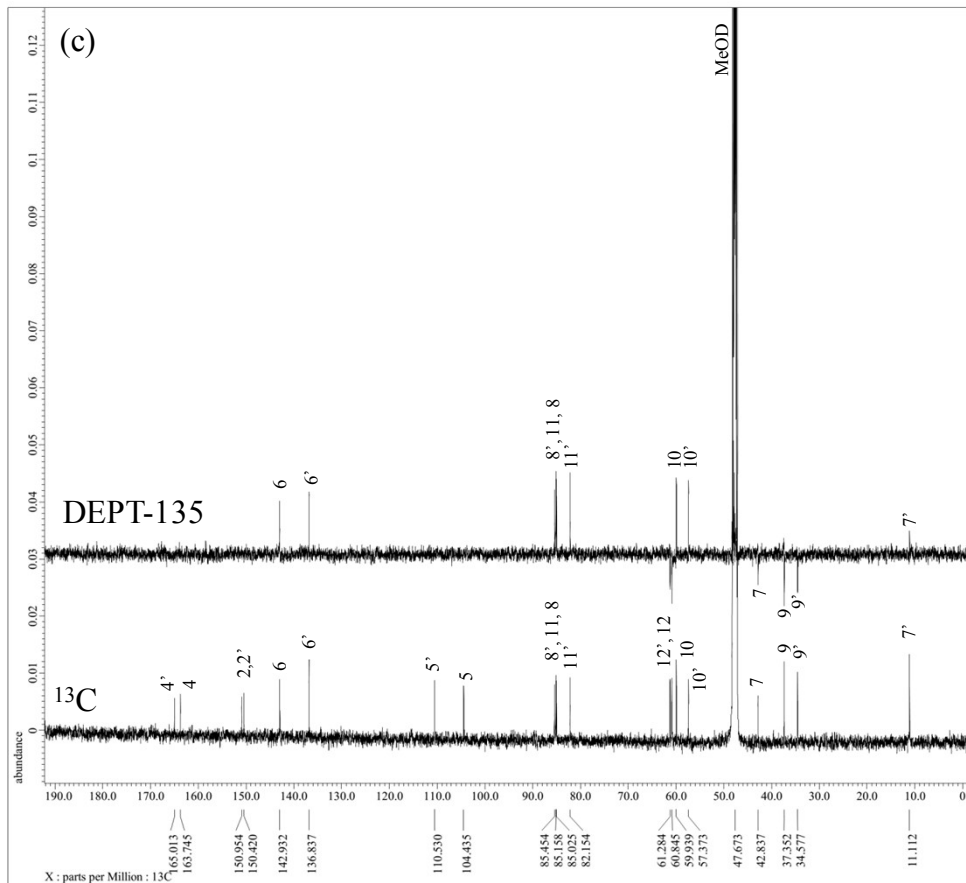


Fig. S3. IR spectra of zidovudine (ZDV, a) and its degradation products Z5, Z7 and Z9 (b-d, respectively).





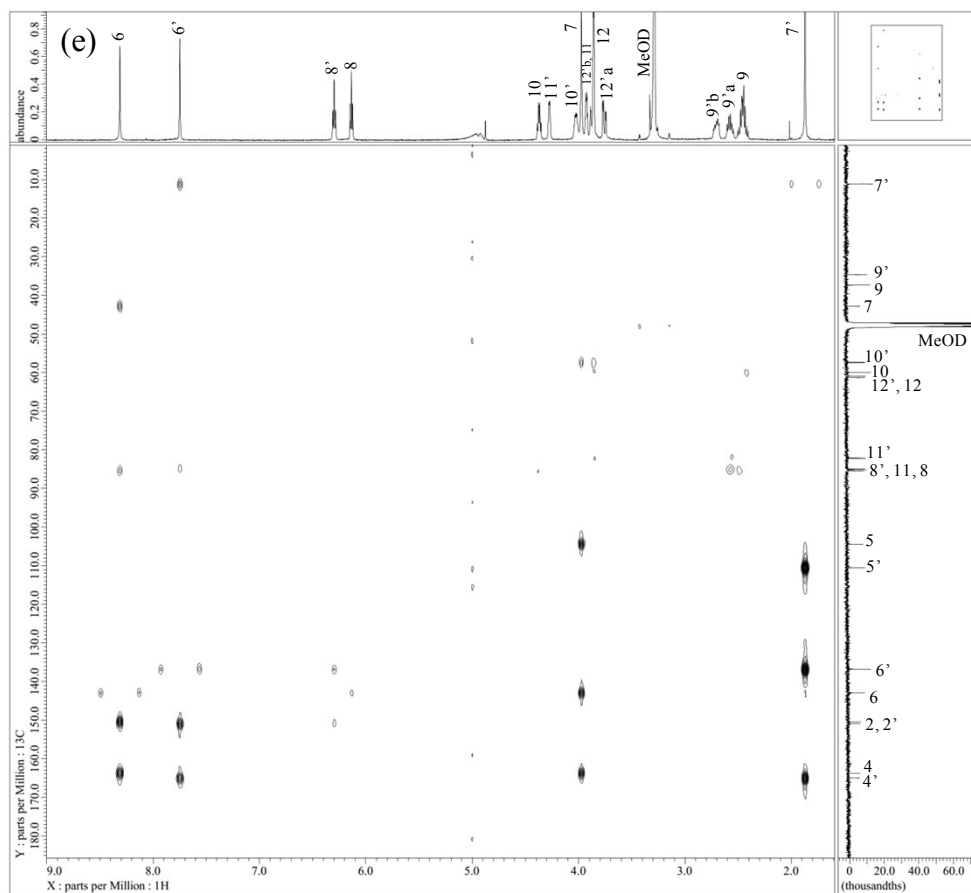
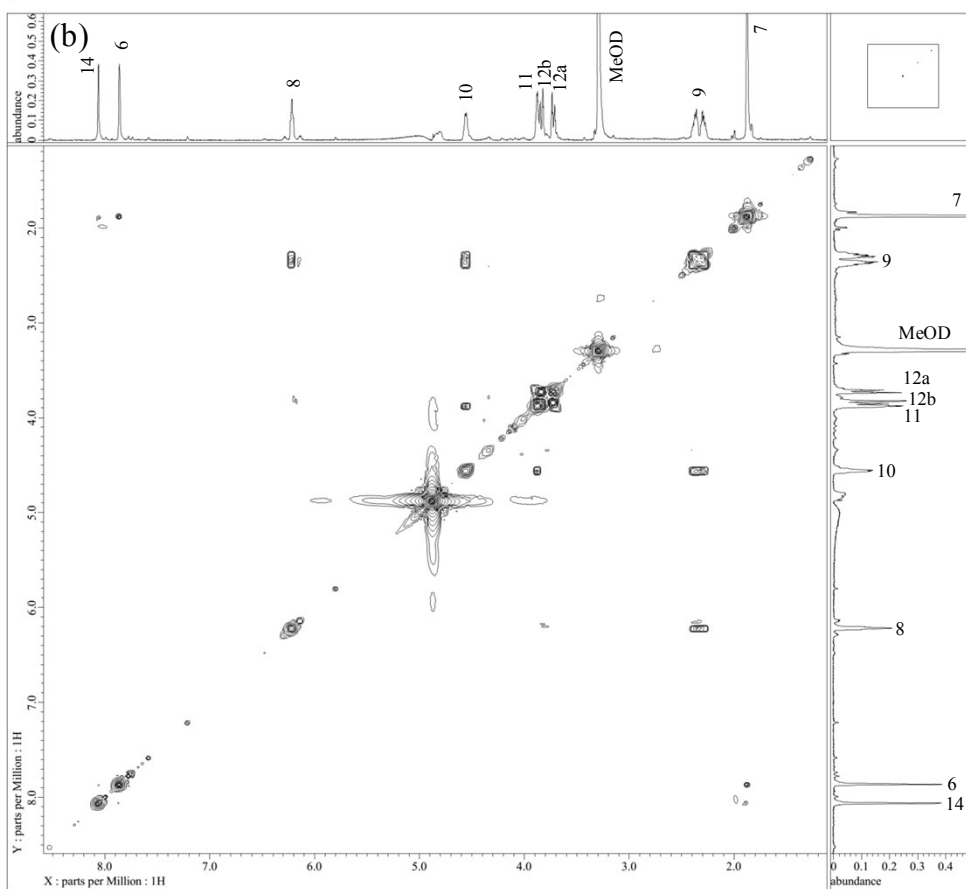
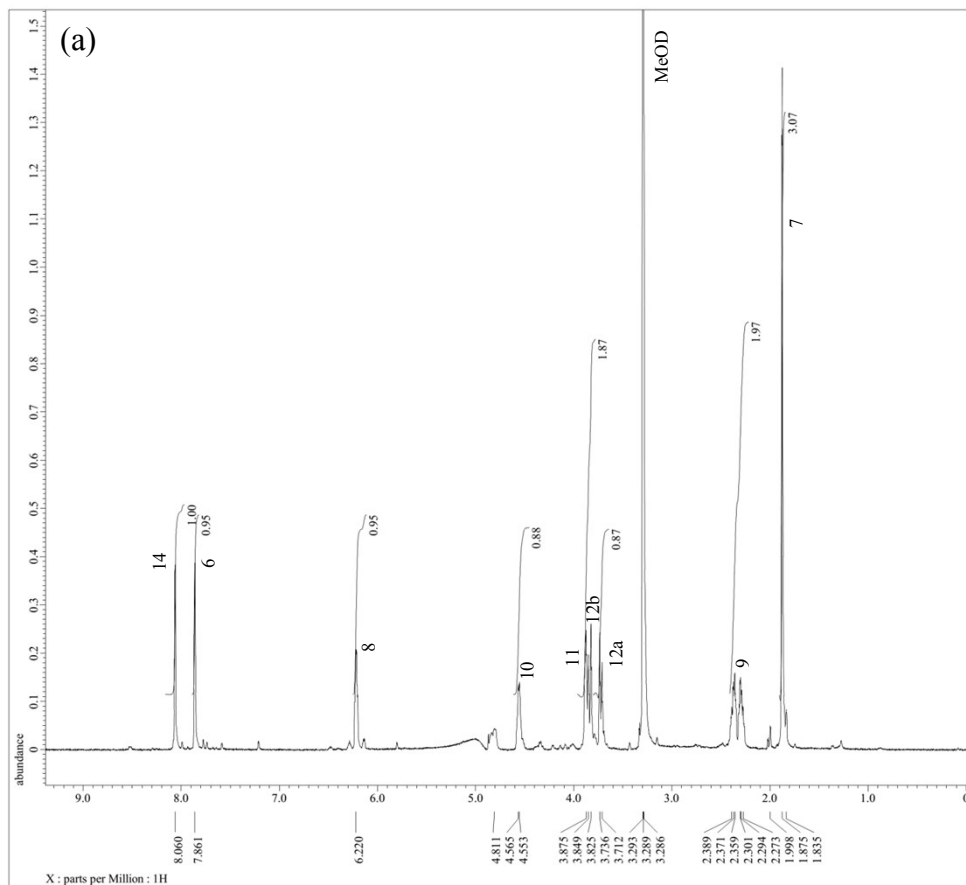
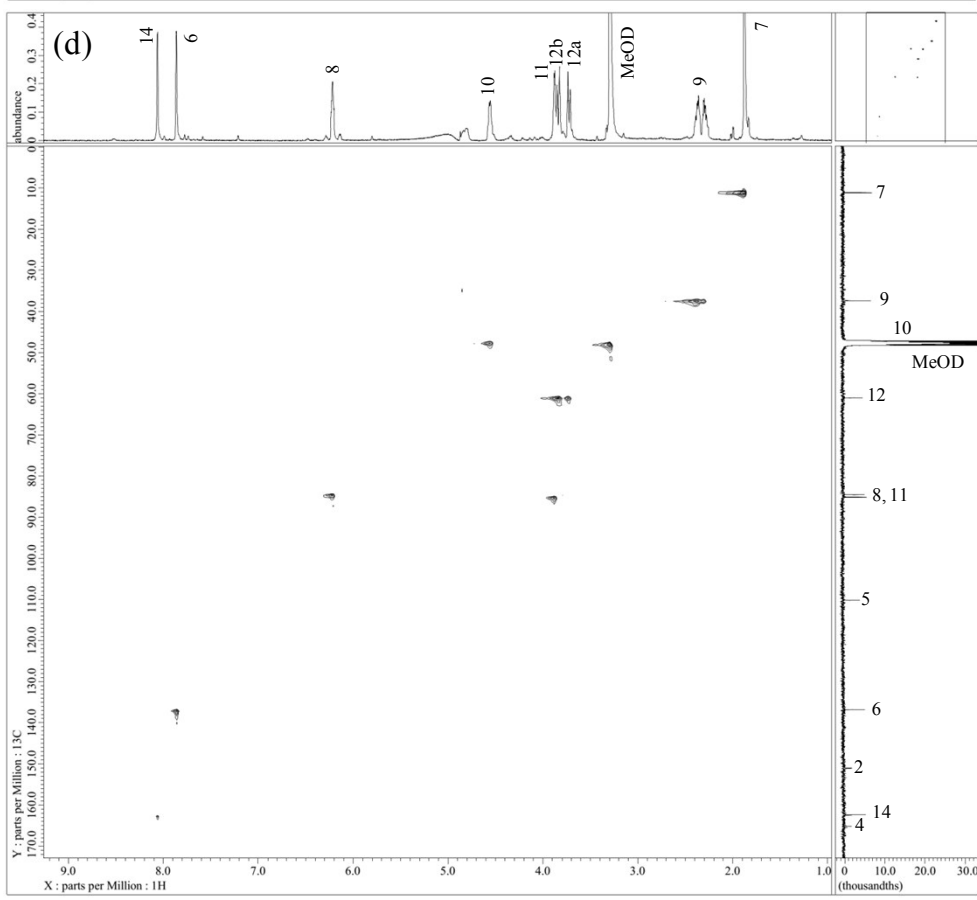
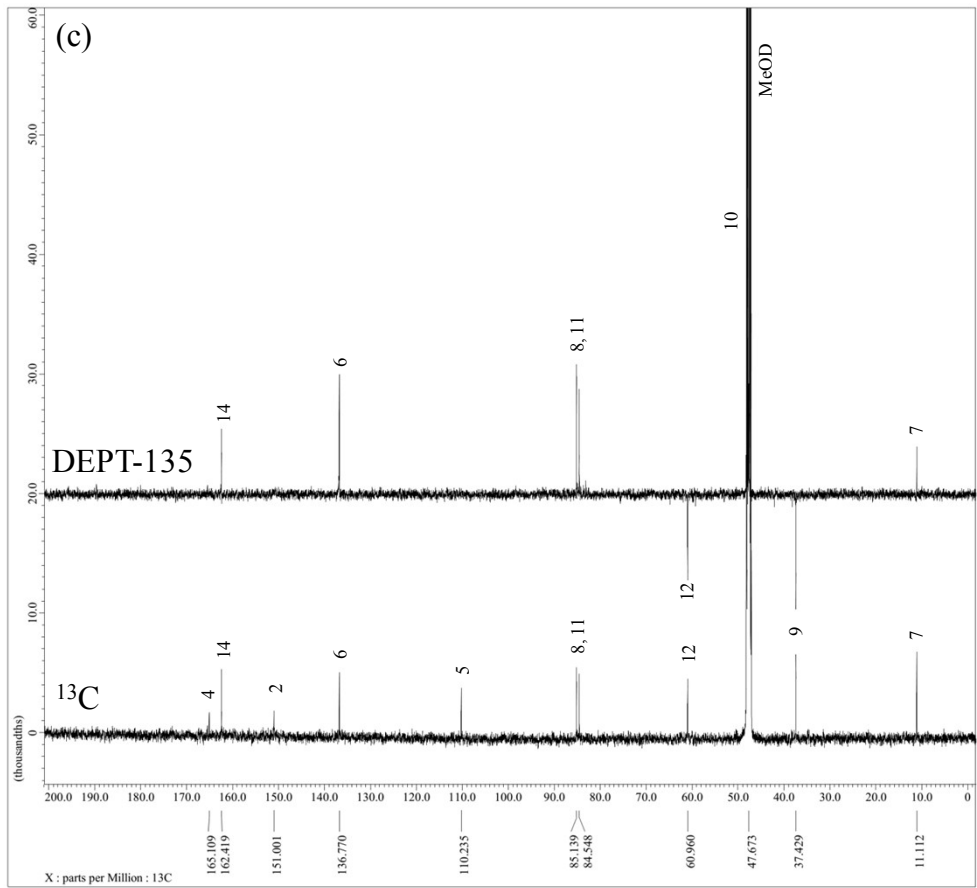


Fig. S4. NMR spectra of degradation product Z6, ^1H (a); COSY (b); ^{13}C and DEPT-135 (c); HSQC (d), and HMBC (e).





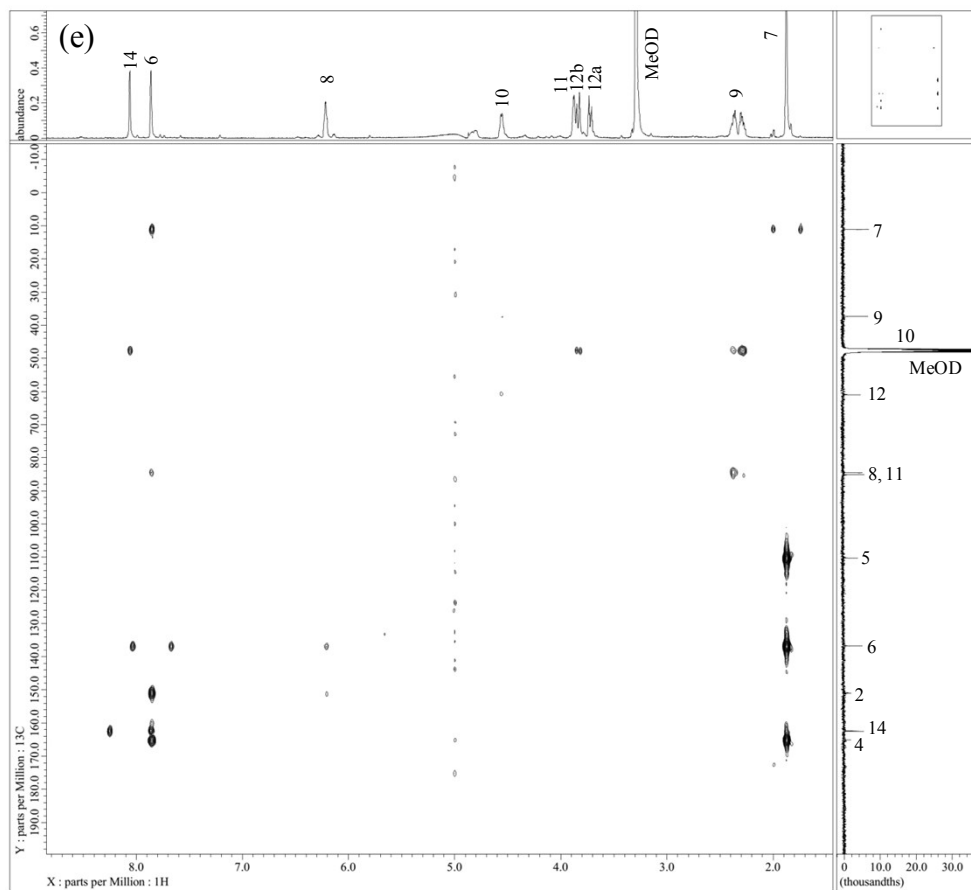
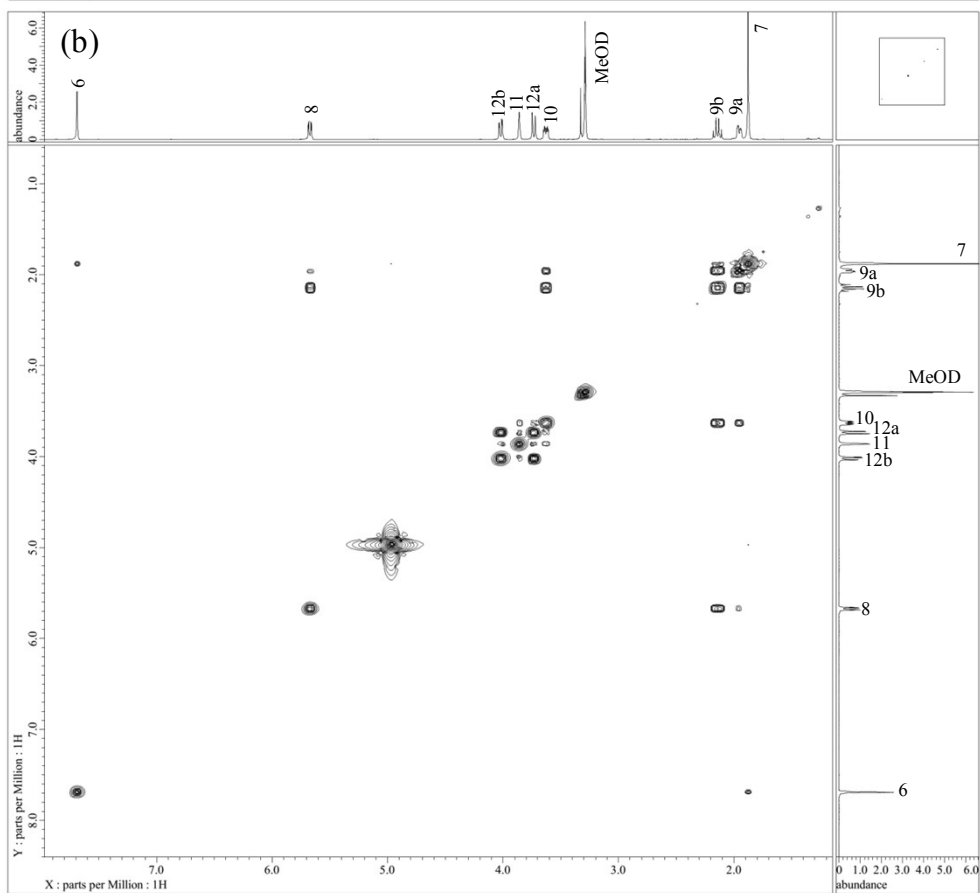
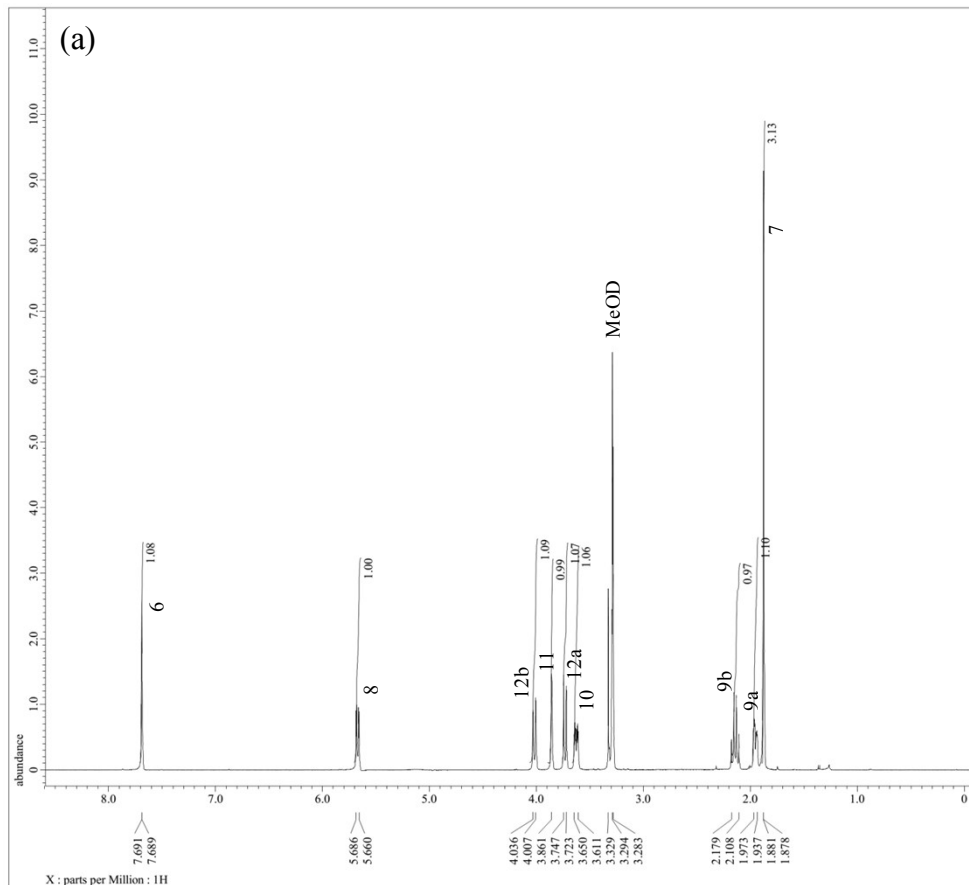
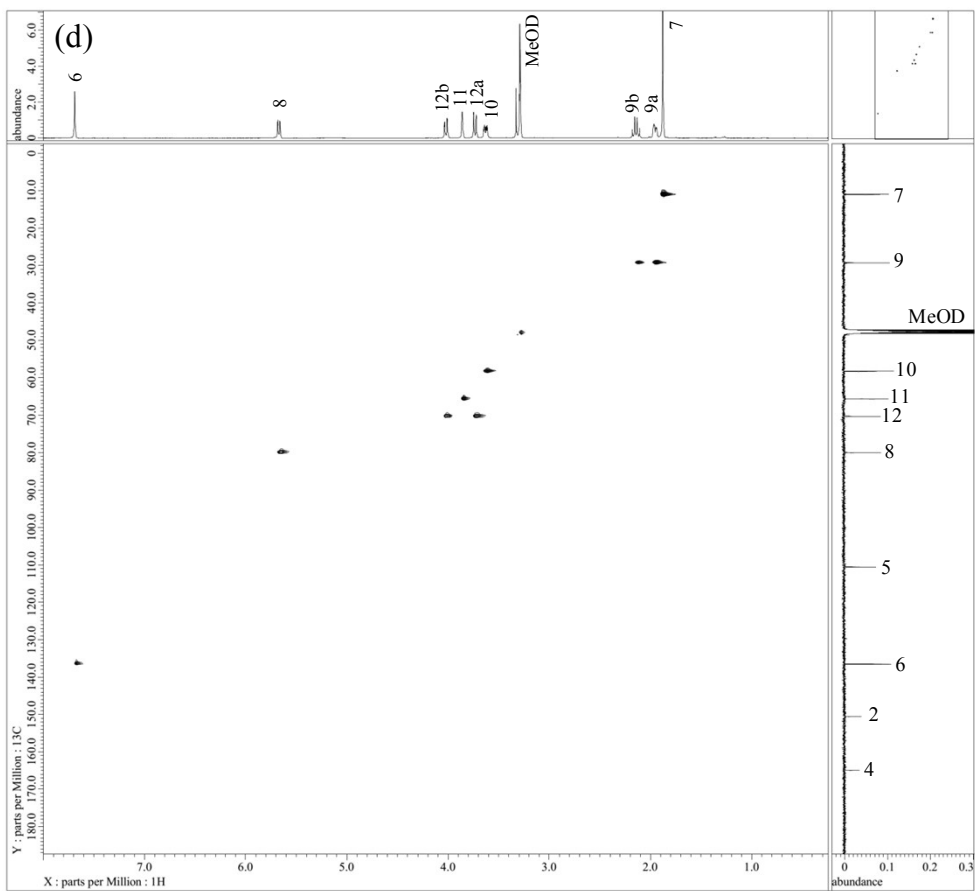
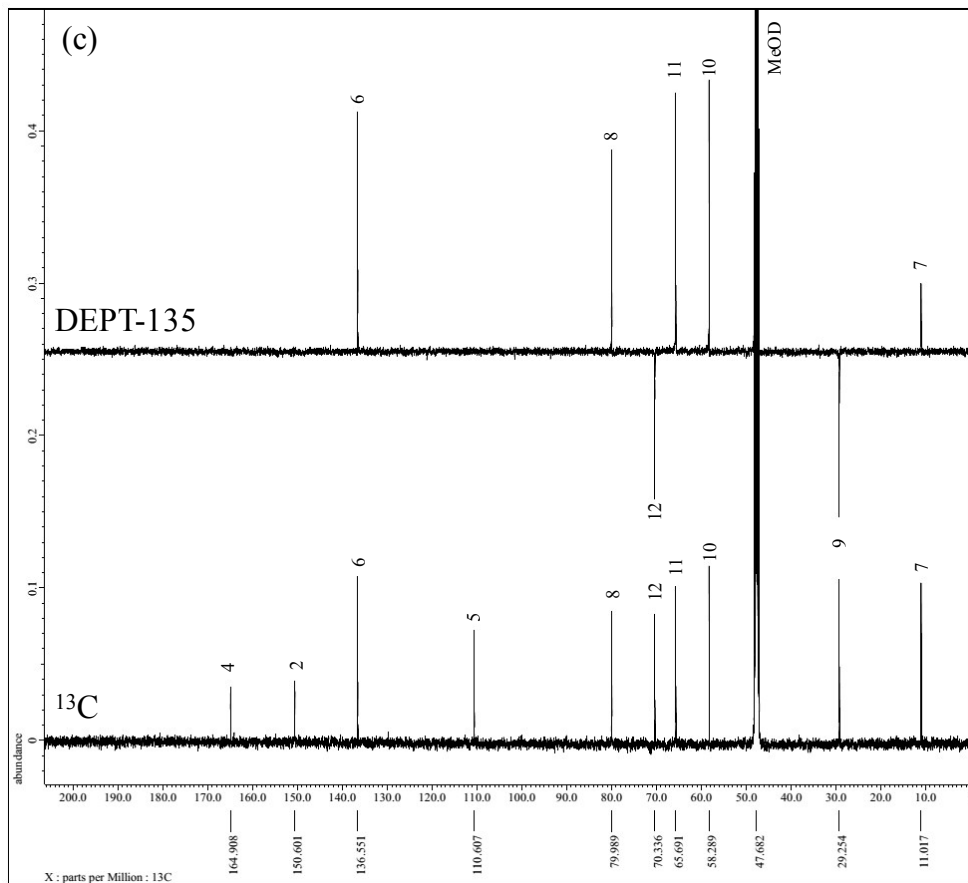


Fig. S5. NMR spectra of degradation product Z5, ^1H (a); COSY (b); ^{13}C and DEPT-135 (c); HSQC (d), and HMBC (e).





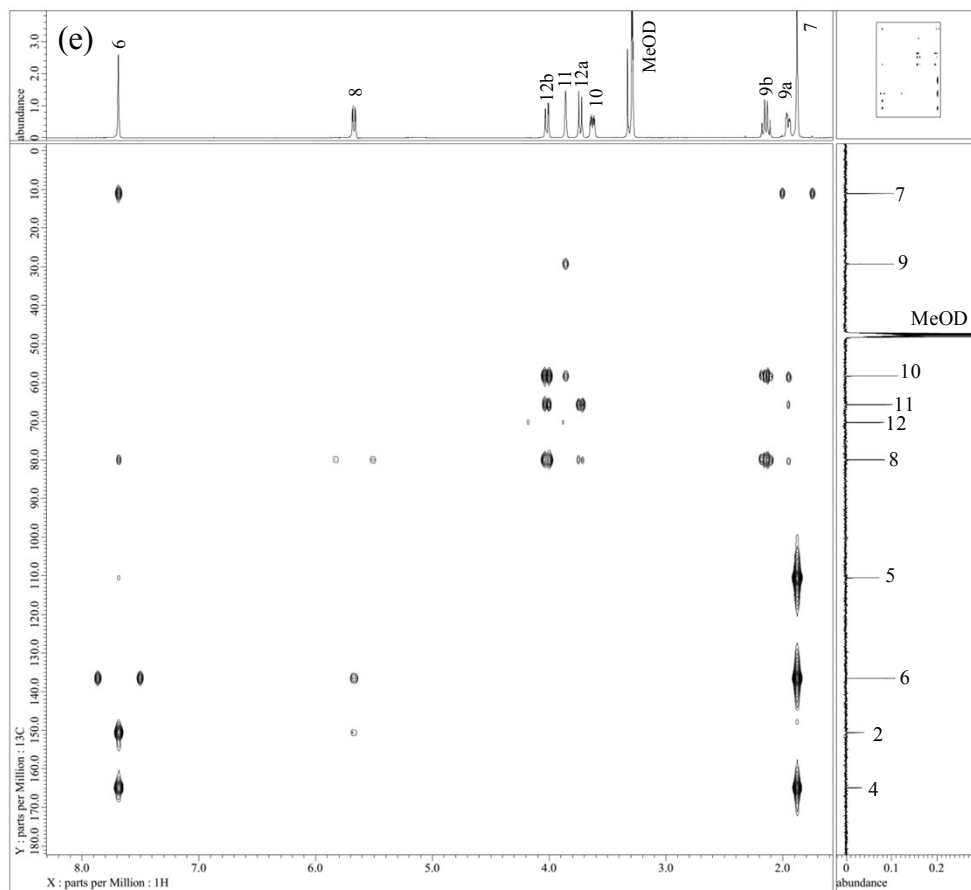
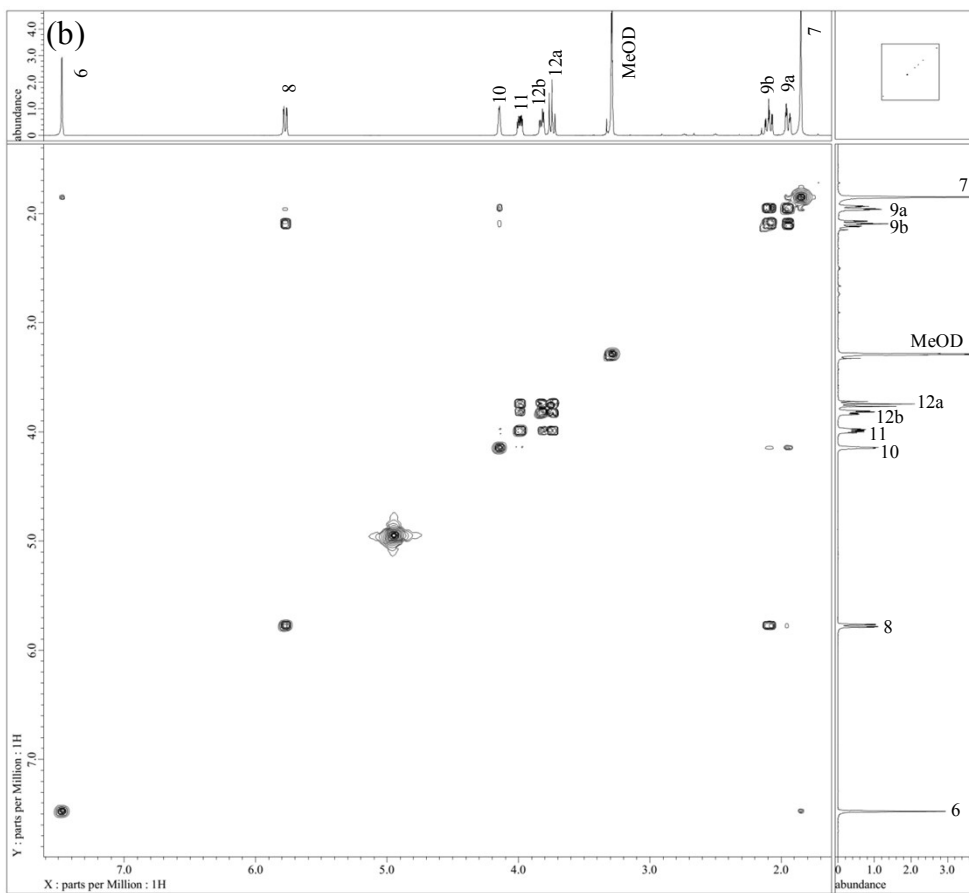
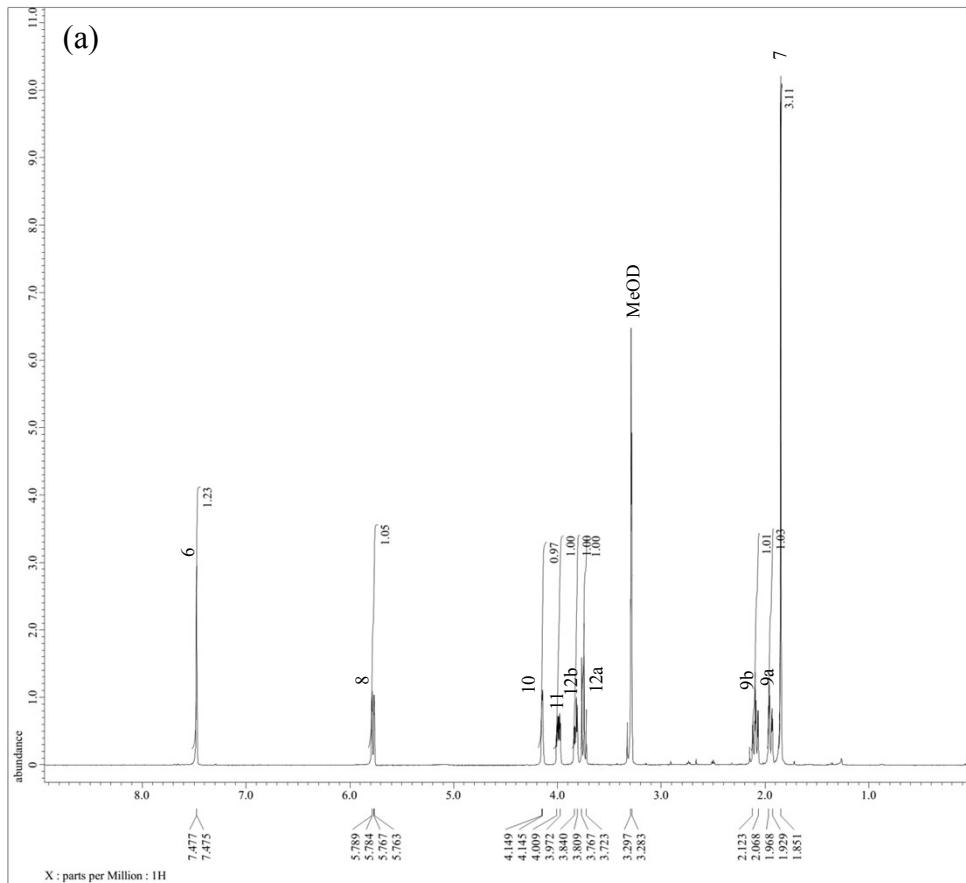
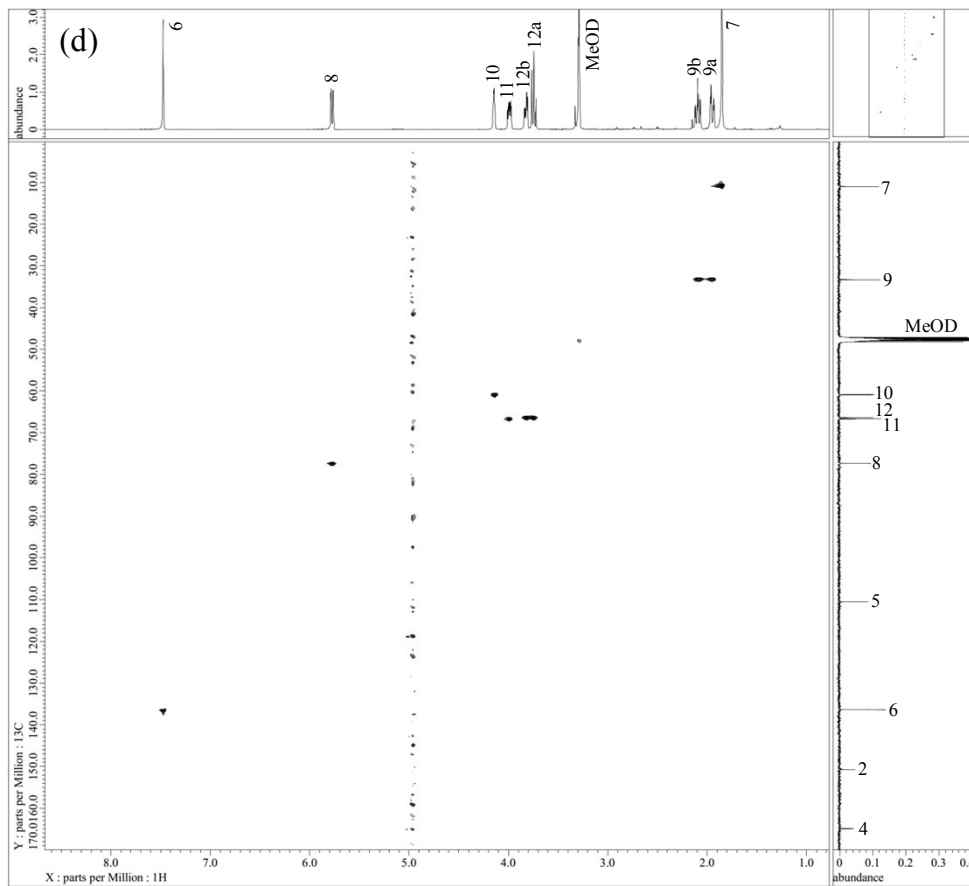
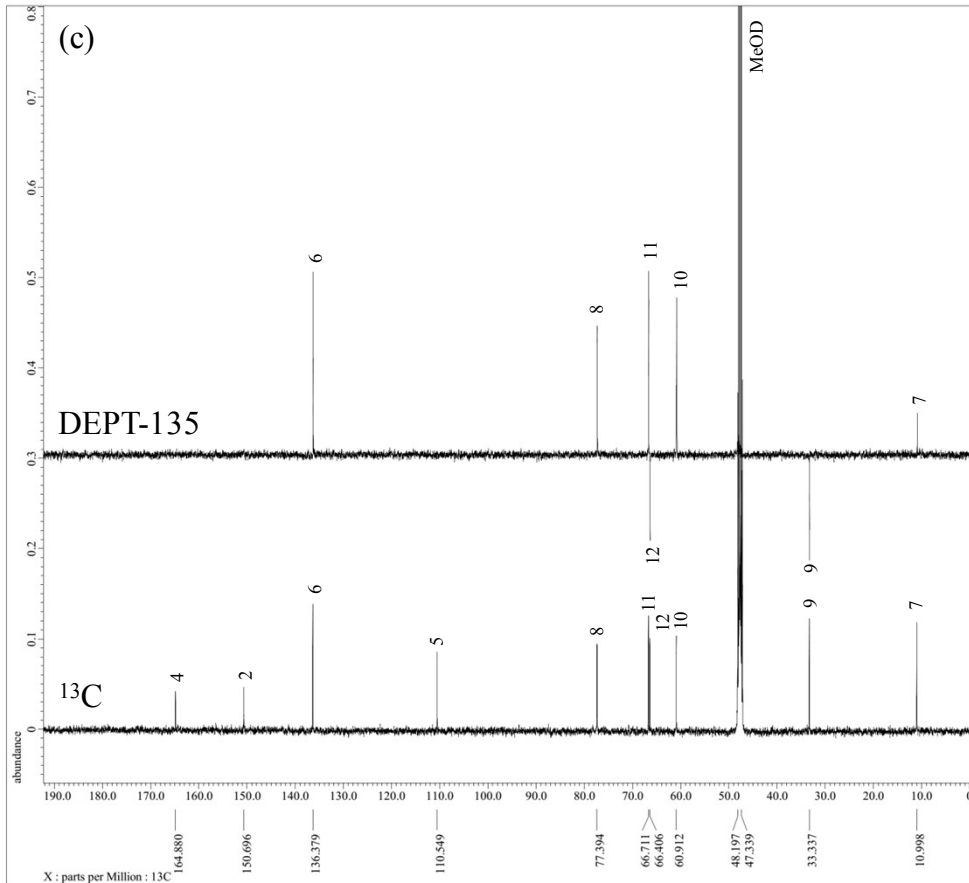


Fig. S6. NMR spectra of degradation product Z7, ^1H (a); COSY (b); ^{13}C and DEPT-135 (c); HSQC (d), and HMBC (e).





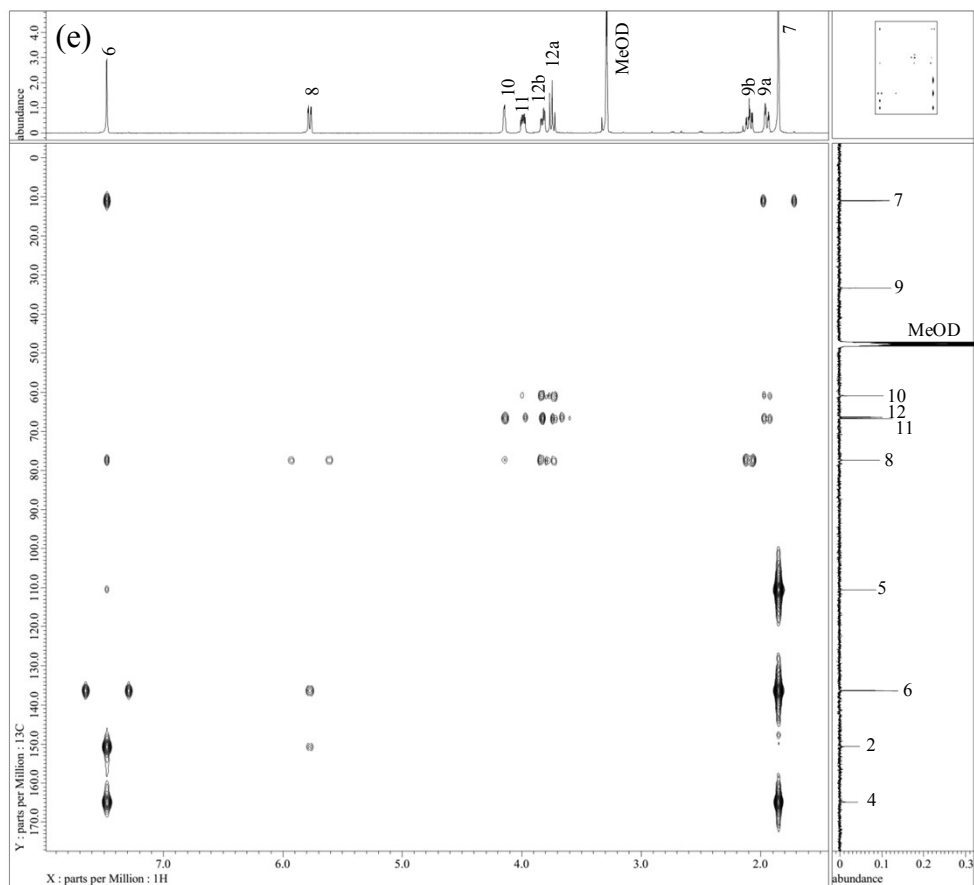
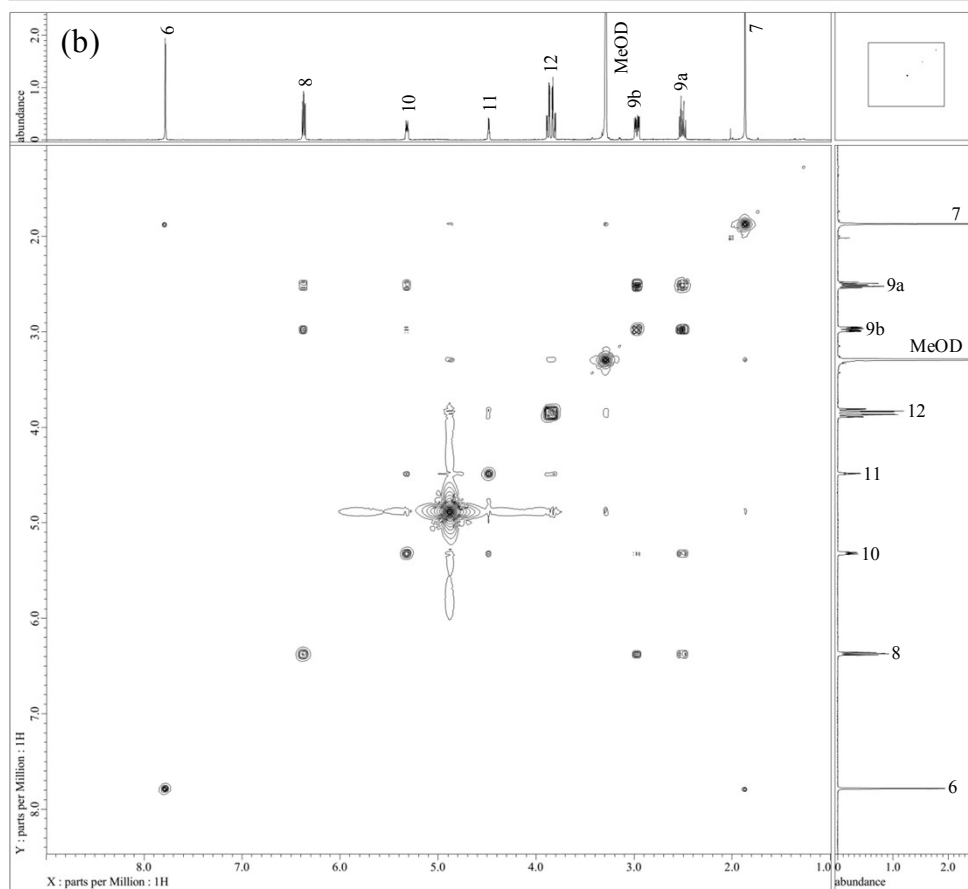
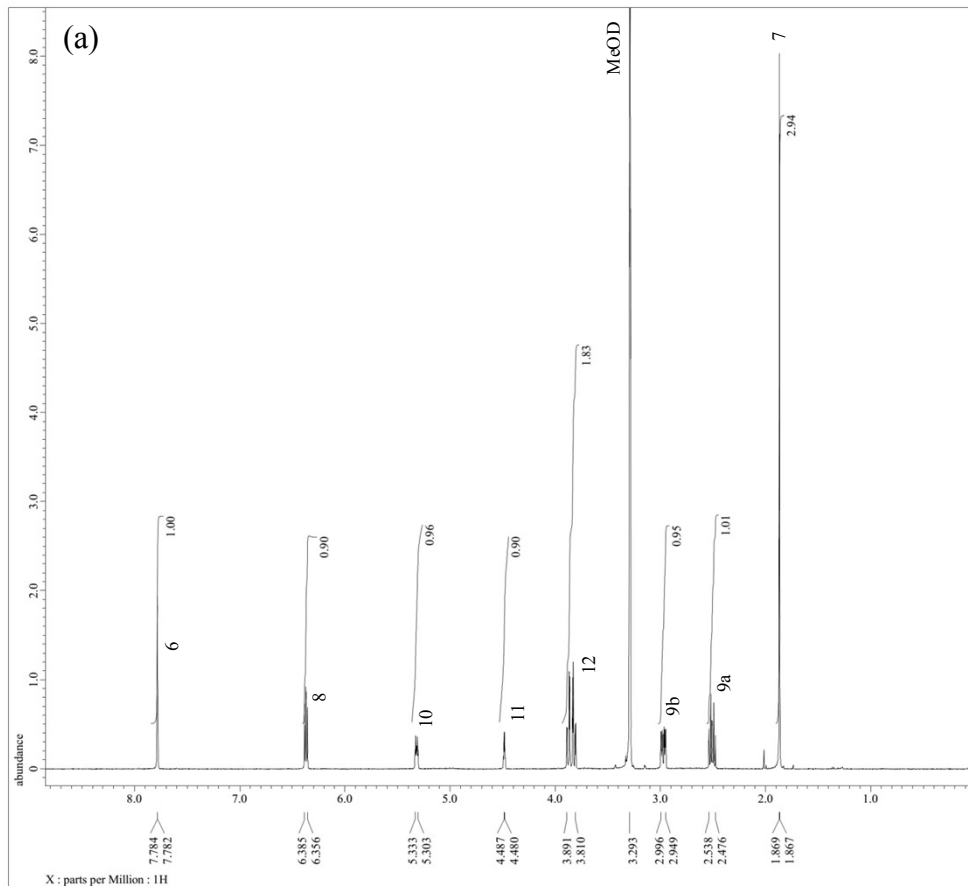
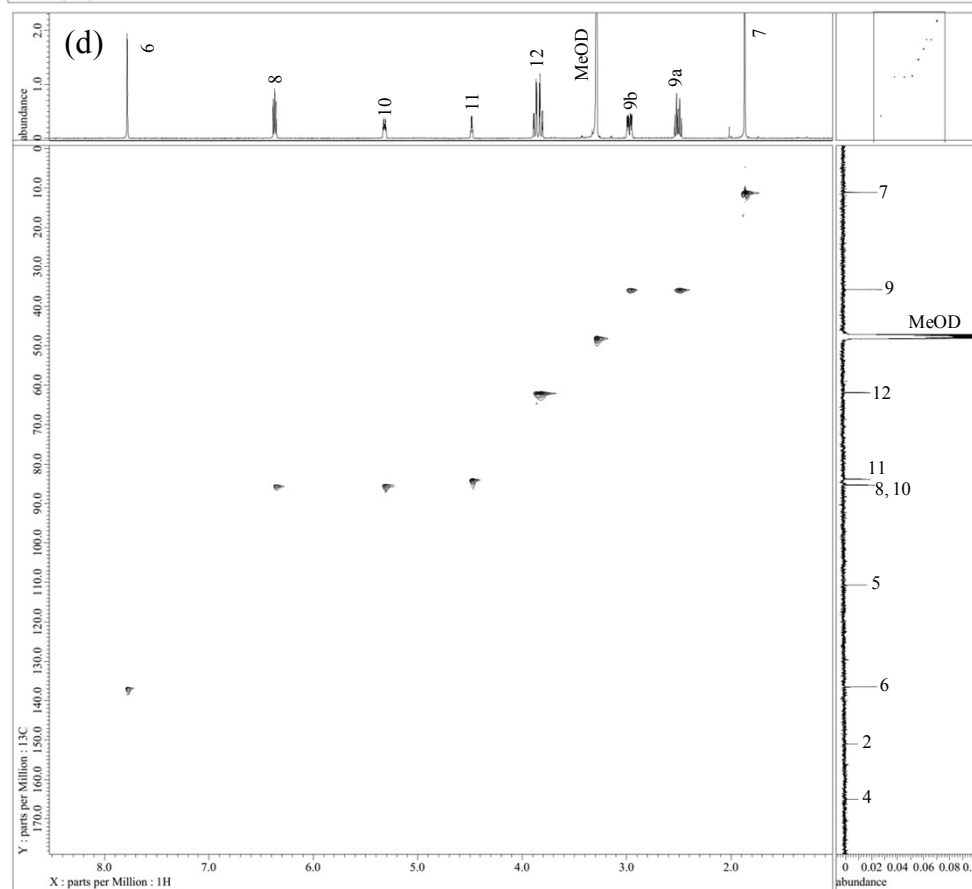
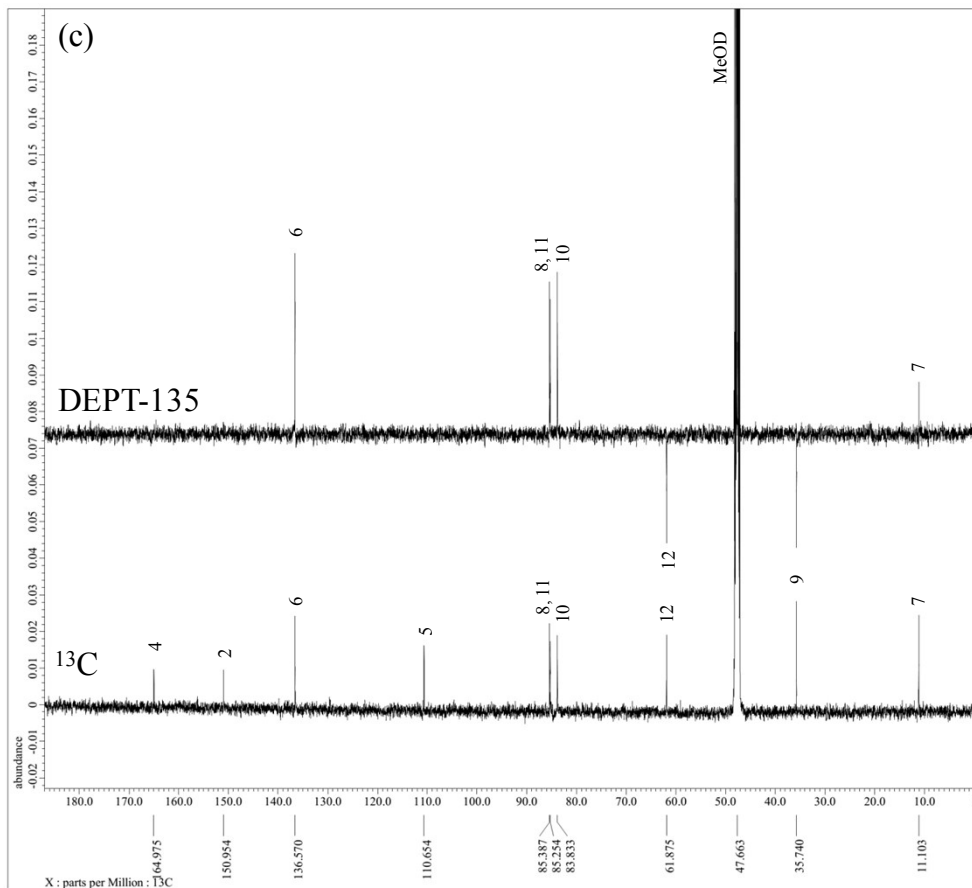


Fig. S7. NMR spectra of degradation product Z9, ^1H (a); COSY (b); ^{13}C and DEPT-135 (c); HSQC (d), and HMBC (e).





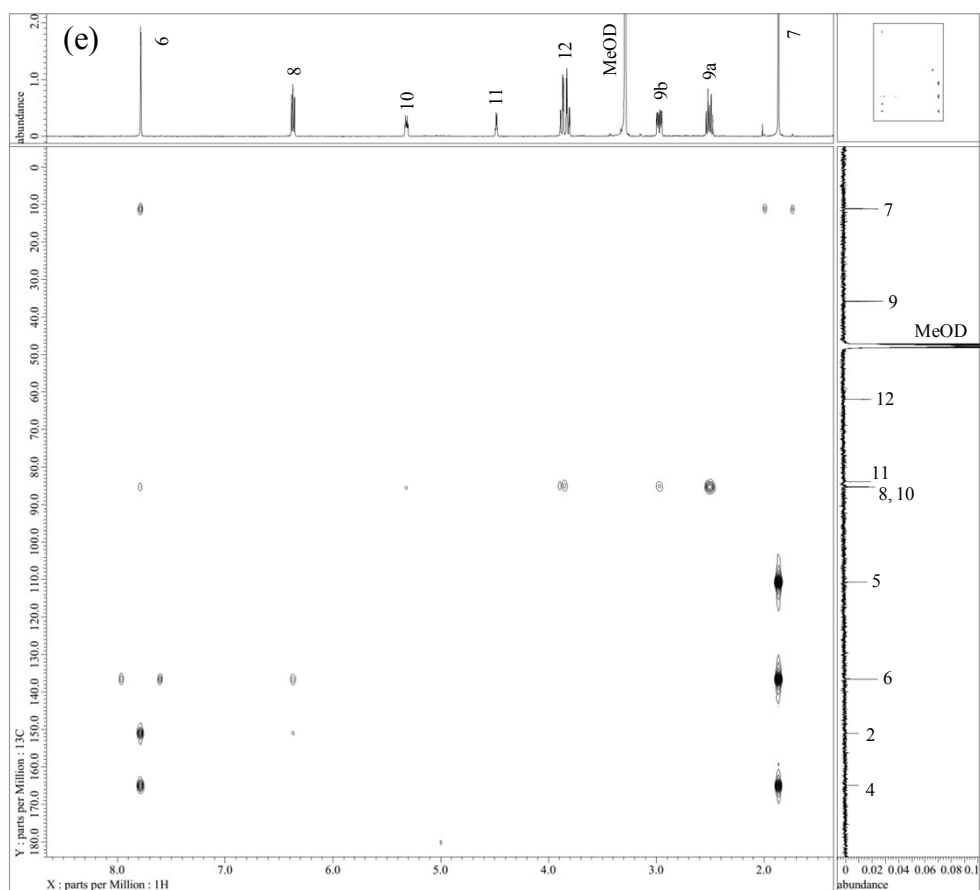


Fig. S8. NMR spectra of degradation product Z8, ^1H (a); COSY (b); ^{13}C and DEPT-135 (c); HSQC (d), and HMBC (e).