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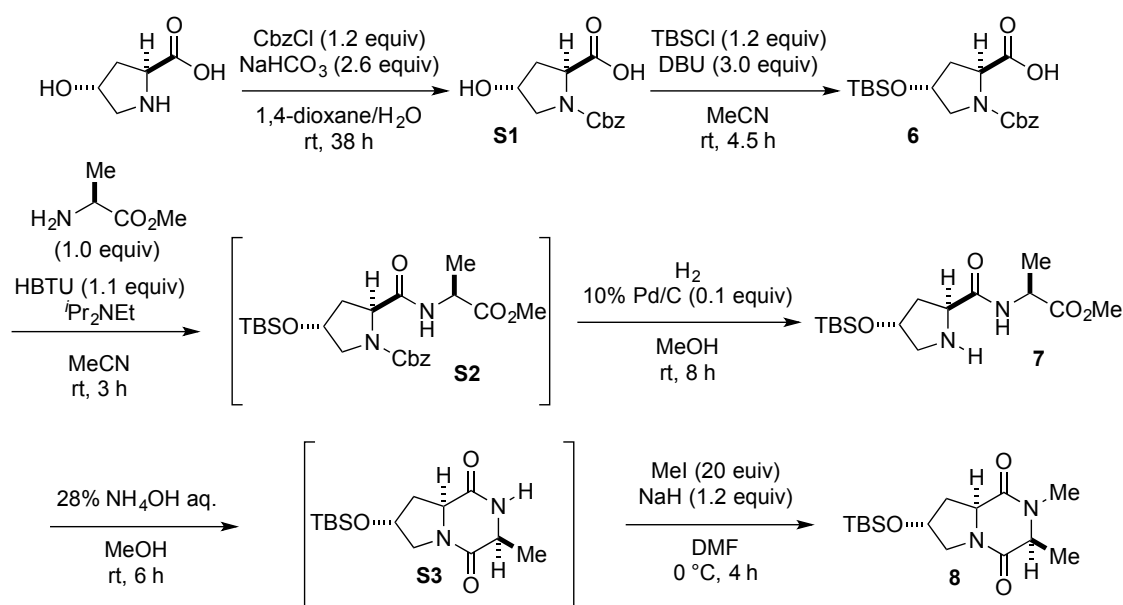
1. General

¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at room temperature on a JEOL JNM-ECS-400 NMR spectrometer at 400 and 100 MHz, respectively. The proton chemical shift values are reported in parts per million (ppm) downfield from tetramethylsilane and referenced to the proton resonance of CHCl₃ (δ 7.26), CD₃OD (δ 3.31), D₂O (δ 4.79) or ^tBuOH (δ 1.23). The carbon chemical shift values are reported in parts per million (ppm) downfield from tetramethylsilane and referenced to the carbon resonance of CDCl₃ (δ 77.0), CD₃OD (δ 49.0) or THF-*d*₈ (δ 67.2). Chemical shifts are reported in ppm and *J* values in Hz. The data are presented in the following order: chemical shift, signal area integration in natural numbers, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, quint = quintet, m = multiplet and/or multiple resonances, and br = broad) and coupling constant. ESI-MS spectra were measured on a Bruker micrOTOF-QII-RSL. Anhydrous methanol (MeOH), dichloromethane (CH₂Cl₂) and tetrahydrofuran (THF) were purchased from Kanto. Other solvents used were purchased from Wako Pure Chemical Industries, Ltd. (Wako) or Tokyo Chemical Industry Co. Ltd. (TCI), and were used as received. Reactions conducted below room temperature were cooled using a PSL-1400 (Tokyo Rikakikai Co., Ltd.) or a PSL-1810 (Eyela). Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on Silica gel 60 F254-coated glass plates (Merck); visualization of the developed chromatogram was performed by ultraviolet illumination (254 nm) and/or staining with cerium molybdate stain (Hanesian's stain). Flash

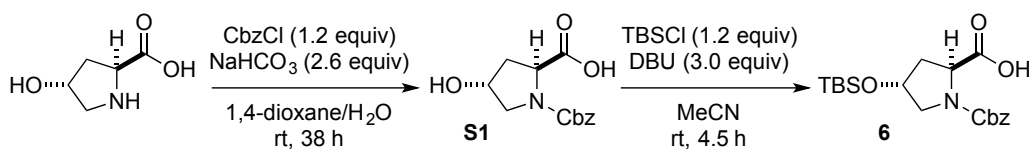
column chromatography was performed using silica gel 60N (40-50 μm , Kanto Chemical Co., Inc.) and CHROMATOREX® NH (NH-DM1020, 100-200 mesh, Fuji Silysia Chemical, Ltd.). Gel permeation chromatography (GPC) was performed using a Recycling Preparative HPLC LC-918 (Japan Analytical Industry Co., Ltd.) equipped with two polystyrene columns (YMC-GPC T2000 and YMC-GPC T4000). Reversed-phase HPLC experiments were conducted using an LC-20AP pump, equipped with SPD-M20A detector and CTO-20AC column oven (Shimadzu). Freeze-drying was performed using a freeze dryer (FDU-1200, Eyela) equipped with a Chemistry-HYBRID pump RC 6 (Eyela) for thermally unstable compounds. A MI129 pH ISFET Portable Meter (Mettler Toledo) was used to measure pH.

2. Synthesis of epidithiodiketopiperazines **4** and **5**

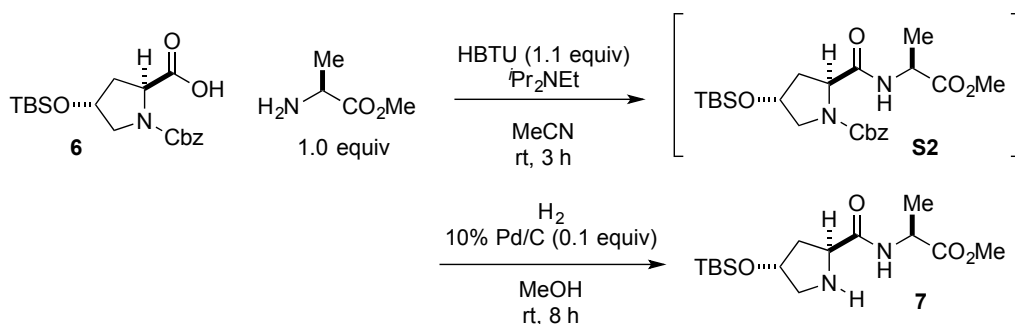
The previously developed synthetic route to (\pm)-PS-ETP-1 (**3**),^[S1] whose structure is shown in Fig.2 in the main text, has two problems for the synthesis of optically active ETPs. First, introduction of the sulfur functionality into the diketopiperazine (DKP) unit required multiple steps, including radical bromination, removal of overreacted bromine by reduction, hydrolysis, and substitution with toxic H_2S gas, to avoid elimination of the hydroxyl group upon enolate formation. Second, racemization occurred even if optically pure DKP was used. To circumvent these problems, we used the DKP **8** as an intermediate, which can be constructed from alanine and hydroxyproline derivatives, instead of the ETP starting from serine and proline derivatives that we used previously.^[S1] The diketopiperazine **8** was synthesized according to the previously reported procedure (Scheme S1).^[S1-S3] The procedures described here were not optimized.



Scheme S1. Synthesis of diketopiperazine **8**.

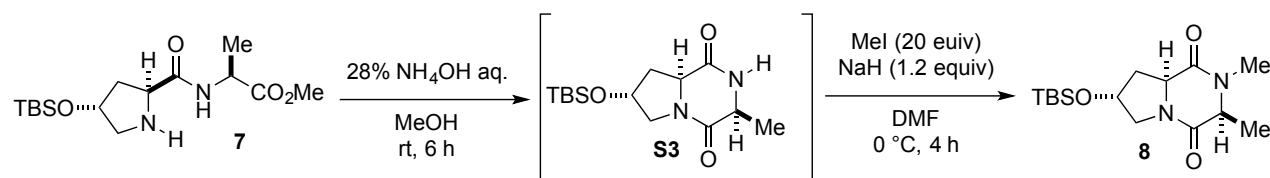
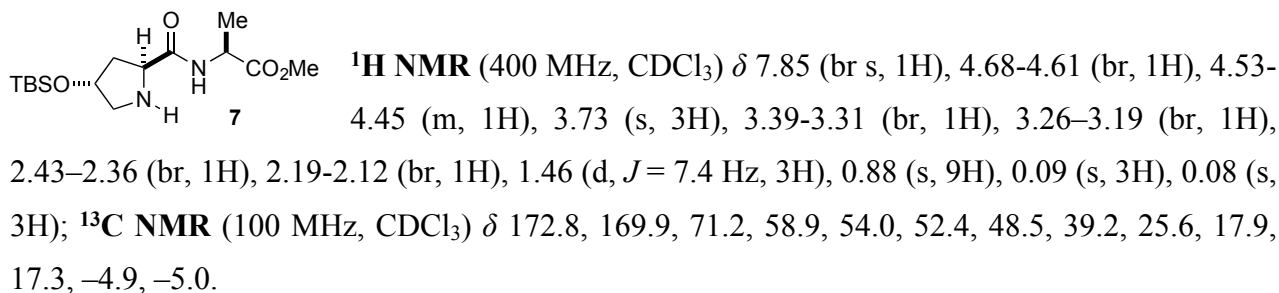


A solution of benzyl chloroformate (1.33 mL, 9.33 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (2.59 mL) was added dropwise to a stirred solution of *trans*-4-hydroxy-L-proline (1.02 g, 7.78 mmol) and sodium hydrogen carbonate (1.70 g, 20.2 mmol) in water (7.78 mL) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 38 h, then diethyl ether (20 mL) was poured into it at room temperature. The aqueous layer was washed with diethyl ether (20 mL \times 2), and acidified with hydrochloric acid to pH 2. The resulting mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (20 mL \times 3). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and evaporated to afford the crude carboxylic acid intermediate **S1**, which was used for the next reaction without purification. To a solution of the crude **S1** and DBU (3.56 mL, 23.3 mmol) in acetonitrile (19.4 mL, 0.4 M) was added *tert*-butyldimethylsilyl chloride (1.41 g, 9.32 mmol) under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4.5 h at room temperature, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (chloroform/methanol = 100/0 to 95/5 to 90/10) to give **6** (1.52 g, 2 steps 52%, as a colorless oil). The NMR spectra for **6** were identical with reported data.^[S4]

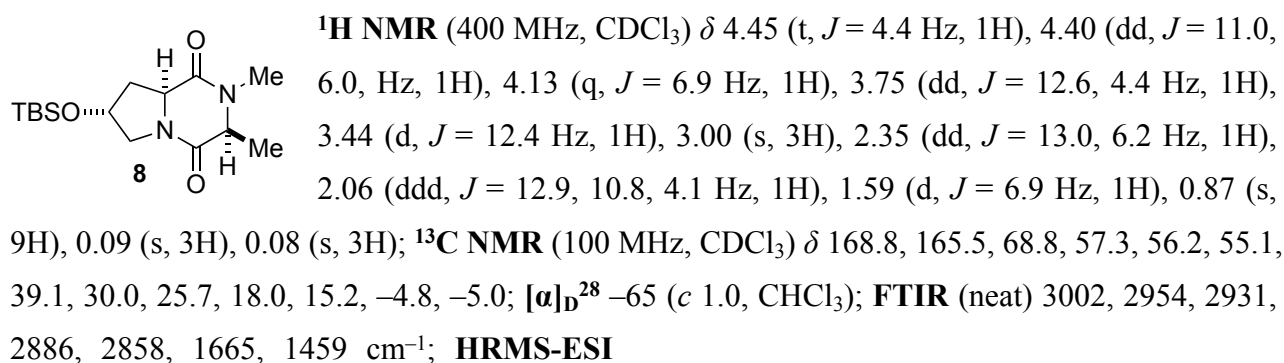


To a solution of **6** (605 mg, 1.59 mmol), L-alanine methyl ester (222 mg, 1.59 mmol) and HBTU [*N,N,N',N'*-tetramethyl-*O*-(benzotriazol-1-yl)uronium: 665 mg, 1.75 mmol] in acetonitrile (5.3 mL, 0.3 M) was added *t*Pr₂NEt (333 μ L, 1.91 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 3 h at room temperature, and then water (10 mL) was added to it. The aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (20 mL \times 3). The organic layer was washed with hydrochloric acid (2 M, 60 mL), water (60 mL), 2.5% sodium hydrogen carbonate (60 mL), water (60 mL) and brine (60 mL), and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. After removal of the solvent, the resulting crude **S2** was used for the next reaction without purification.

To a solution of the crude **S2** in methanol (15.6 mL, 0.1 M) was added 10% Pd/C (166 mg, 10 mol% Pd). The reaction mixture was stirred under a hydrogen atmosphere (balloon) for 8 h, then diluted with ethyl acetate, and passed through Celite® to remove Pd/C. The eluate was evaporated and the residue was washed with ethyl acetate, dried under reduced pressure, and purified by flash column chromatography (chloroform) to give the corresponding *sec*-amine **7** (396 mg, 2 steps 75%, as a colorless oil).

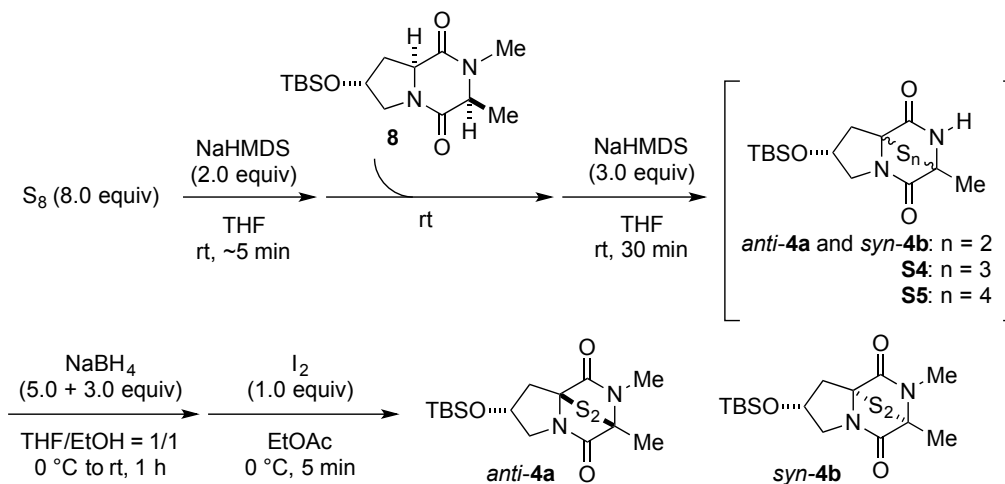


To a solution of **7** (255 mg, 771 μmol) in methanol (48.3 mL, 15 mM) was added 28% aqueous NH₄OH solution (3.1 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred for 6 h at room temperature, then concentrated *in vacuo*, and the residue was roughly purified by flash column chromatography (chloroform/methanol = 100/0 to 98/2) to give the corresponding diketopiperazine **S3** (225 mg). To a solution of **S3** (225 mg, 754 μmol) and methyl iodide (940 μL, 15.1 mmol) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (7.5 mL, 0.1 M) was added sodium hydride (48.3 mg, 905 μmol) at 0 °C under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 4 h under a nitrogen atmosphere and for 1 h at room temperature, and then saturated NH₄Cl aq (5 mL) was added to it. The aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (10 mL × 3). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (chloroform) to give **8** (245 mg, 99%, as a colorless amorphous solid).



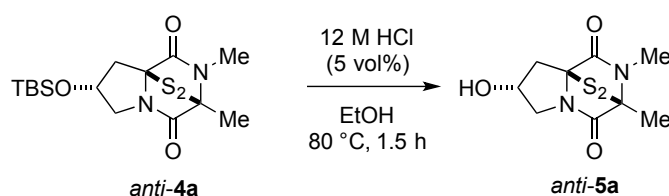
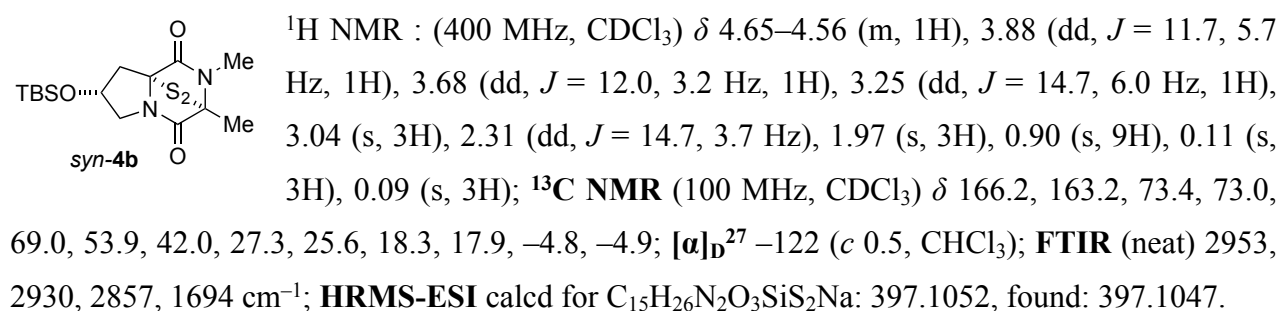
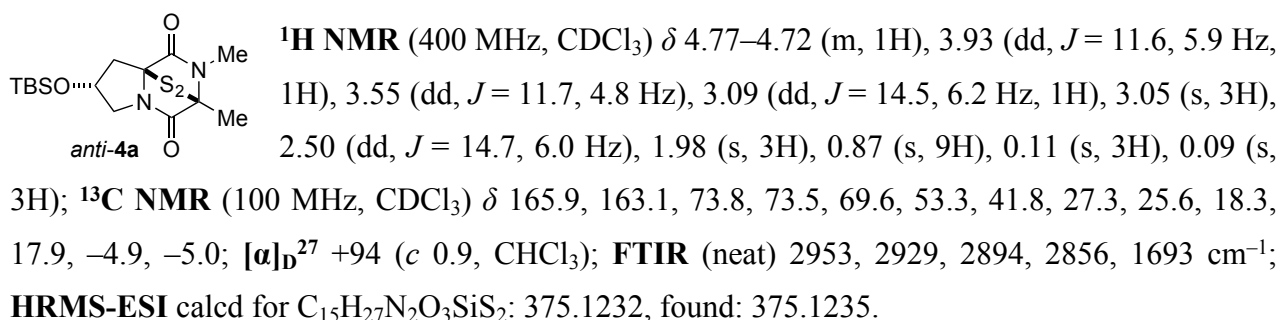
calcd for C₁₅H₂₉N₂O₃Si [M+H]⁺: 313.1947, found: 313.1945.

The epidithioketopiperazines *anti-4a*, *syn-4b*, *anti-5a* and *syn-5b*, were synthesized according to the methodology reported by Nicolaou (Scheme S1).^[S5, S6] The procedures described here were not optimized.

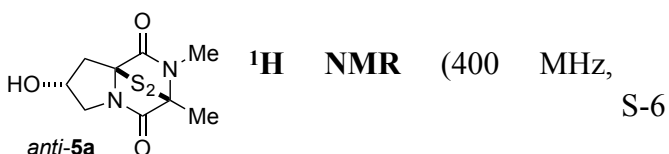


To a suspension of elemental sulfur S₈ (26.5 mg, 830 μmol) in THF (520 μL, 0.2 M) at room temperature under argon was added dropwise NaHMDS (310 μL, 1 M in THF) over a couple of minutes. The color changed from yellow to dark blue, dark orange and finally to light orange, and to the resulting solution was added dropwise a solution of **8** (32.4 mg, 104 μmol) in tetrahydrofuran (520 μL, 0.2 M) at room temperature over a couple of minutes, until the reaction mixture turned light brown. Then, additional NaHMDS (310 μL, 1 M in THF) was added and the resulting mixture was stirred for 30 min at room temperature. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NHCl₄aq (5 mL), and the aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (10 mL × 3). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The reaction mixture was roughly purified by flash column chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate = 100/0 to 70/30) to give a mixture of products, including epidithiodiketopiperazine *anti-4a* and *syn-4b*, epitriiodiketopiperazines **S4** and epitetrathiodiketopiperazines **S5** (24.3 mg). The crude mixture was dissolved in degassed tetrahydrofuran/ethanol (1/1, 1.11 mL, 50 mM) at 0 °C. To the stirred solution was added NaBH₄ (10.5 mg, 277 μmol) under argon and stirring was continued at room temperature. The reaction was monitored by reversed-phase TLC (hexane/ethyl acetate = 1/2), and after stirring for 1 h, the reaction was not completed. Therefore, further NaBH₄ (6.3 mg, 166 μmol) was added at room temperature and the reaction mixture was stirred for 5 min at room temperature. Upon completion of the reaction, the solution was cooled to 0 °C, quenched by addition of saturated aqueous ammonium chloride (2 mL), and extracted with ethyl acetate (5 mL × 3). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate

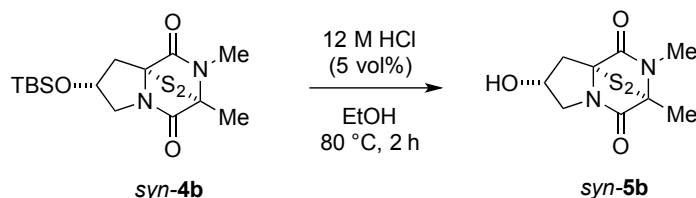
and concentrated *in vacuo*. To a solution of the crude product in ethyl acetate (5 mL) was added 1.0 equivalent of I₂ in ethyl acetate (0.55 mL). The mixture was stirred for 5 min at 0 °C, then quenched with 10% aqueous sodium thiosulfate solution (3 mL), and the resulting mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (5 mL × 3). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate = 100/0 to 90/10) to give *anti-4a* (9.2 mg, 3 steps 24%) together with *syn-4b* (5.0 mg, 3 steps 13%). The relative stereochemistry of *anti-4a* was determined by X-ray analysis (See, **Figure S1** and **Table S1**).



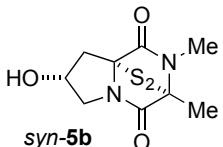
To a solution of *anti-4a* (5.8 mg, 15.5 μmol) in EtOH (730 μL, 20 mM) was added 12 M HCl (40 μL) at room temperature. The mixture was heated to 80 °C, and stirring for 1.5 h at 80 °C. Then, the reaction was quenched with saturated sodium hydrogen carbonate (0.5 mL) at room temperature, and the whole was extracted with ethyl acetate (2 mL × 3). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. After evaporation of the solvent, the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate = 2/1) to give *anti-5a* (3.6 mg, 90%).



CDCl₃) δ 4.79–4.75 (m, 1H), 3.88 (dd, J = 12.2, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (ddd, J = 12.4, 2.8, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (dd, J = 14.9, 3.7, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (s, 3H), 2.56 (dd, J = 14.7, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 1.99 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.3, 163.4, 73.8, 73.6, 69.6, 53.1, 41.7, 27.4, 18.3; [α]_D²³ +105 (c 0.4, CHCl₃); FTIR (neat): 3433 (br), 2929, 1681 cm⁻¹; HRMS-ESI calcd for C₉H₁₂N₂O₃S₂Na: 283.0187, found: 283.0188.



To a solution of *syn-4b* (2.5 mg, 6.67 μ mol) in EtOH (640 μ L) was added 12 M HCl (30 μ L) at room temperature. The mixture was heated to 80 °C and stirred at the same temperature for 2.0 h. Then, the reaction was quenched with saturated sodium hydrogen carbonate (0.5 mL) at room temperature, and the mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (2 mL x 3). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. After evaporation of the solvent, the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate = 1/2) to give *syn-5b* (1.5 mg, 88%). In order to obtain sufficient solubility of *syn-5b*, THF-*d*₈ was used for ¹³C NMR.



¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.68 (tt, J = 5.1, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (dt, J = 12.6, 1.8 Hz), 3.86 (dd, 12.9, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 3.23 (dd, J = 15.6, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (s, 3H), 2.49 (dt, J = 15.6, 1.38 Hz, 1H), 2.00 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, THF-*d*₈) δ 165.8, 162.6, 74.1, 73.6, 68.1, 53.6, 41.7, 26.1, 17.6; [α]_D²⁴ -153 (c 0.2, EtOH); FTIR (neat) 3431 (br), 2923, 1680 cm⁻¹; HRMS-ESI calcd for C₉H₁₂N₂O₃S₂Na: 283.0187, found: 283.0189.

3. X-Ray analysis of *anti*-4a

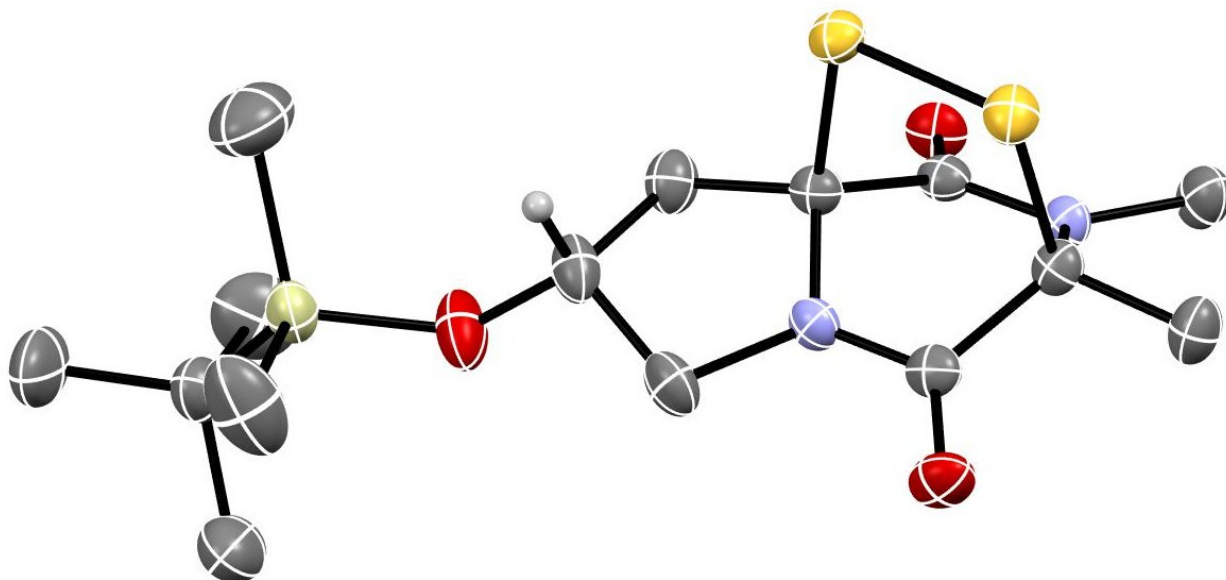


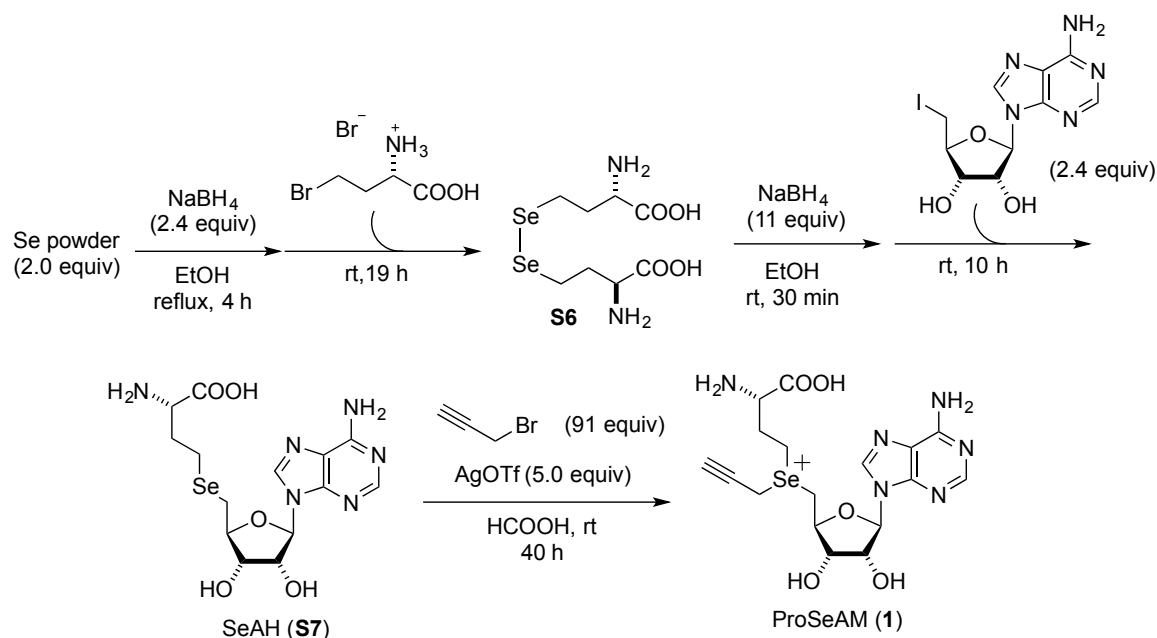
Figure S1. ORTEP drawing of *anti*-4a (CCDC 1825180). H atoms are omitted for the sake of clarity, except on the chiral carbon.

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for *anti-4a*

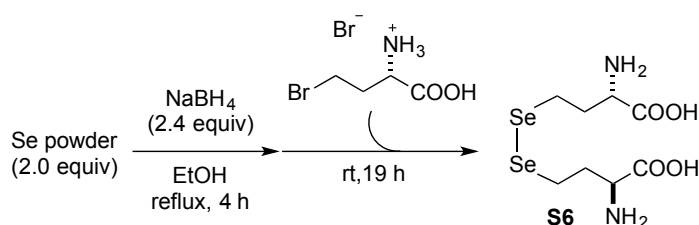
Empirical formula	C ₁₅ H ₂₆ N ₂ O ₃ S ₂ Si
Formula weight	374.59
Temperature	170 K
Wavelength	1.54187 Å
Crystal system	Orthorhombic
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 7.68141(14)$ Å $b = 10.8441(2)$ Å $c = 23.4756(4)$ Å
<i>V</i>	1955.48(6) Å ³
<i>Z</i>	4
<i>D</i> _X	1.272 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	3.177 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	800
Crystal size	0.83 x 0.16 x 0.14 mm ³
Theta range for data collection	3.77 to 68.24°.
Index ranges	-9 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 8, -13 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 13, -28 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 28
Reflections collected	21681
Independent reflections	3550 [<i>R</i> _{int} = 0.0421]
Completeness to theta = 68.24°	99.5 %
Absorption correction	Numerical
Max. and min. transmission	0.6879 and 0.2858
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on <i>F</i> ²
Data / restraints / parameters	3550 / 0 / 217
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.081
Final <i>R</i> indices [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	<i>R</i> (<i>F</i>) = 0.0267, <i>wR</i> (<i>F</i> ²) = 0.0656
<i>R</i> indices (all data)	<i>R</i> (<i>F</i>) = 0.0278, <i>wR</i> (<i>F</i> ²) = 0.0661
Absolute structure parameter	-0.012(5)
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.216 and -0.189 e.Å ⁻³

4. Synthesis of ProSeAM (1)

ProSeAM (1)^[S7-S8] was synthesized as reported ^[S9] with a few modifications, especially for purification (Scheme S2). In our procedure, Sep-Pak[®] (Waters Sep-Pak[®] Vac 6cc C18-500mg cartridge) and/or reversed-phase HPLC were used to obtain reproducibility in the synthesis of (*S*)-selenohomocystine (S6) and (*S*)-Se-adenosylselenohomocysteine (SeAH: S7). The reaction conditions described here were not optimized.

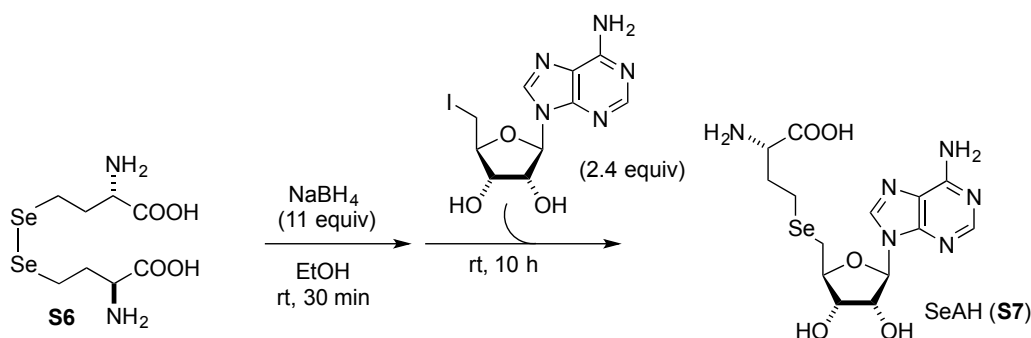
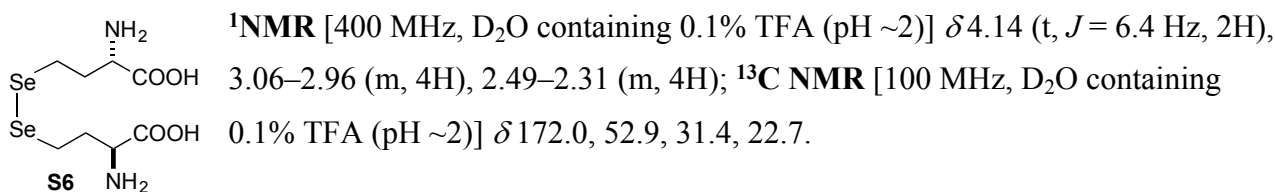


Scheme S2. Synthetic scheme for ProSeAM (1).

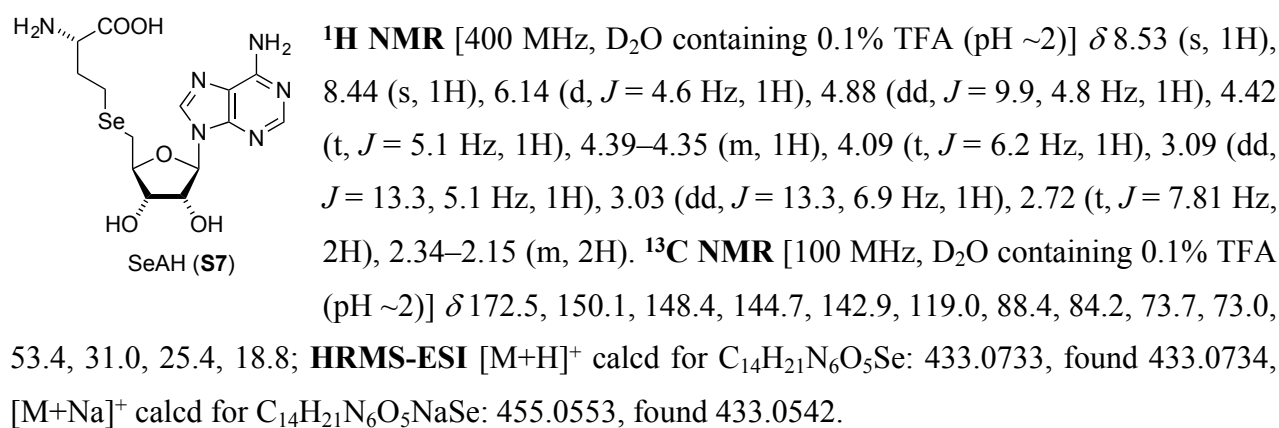


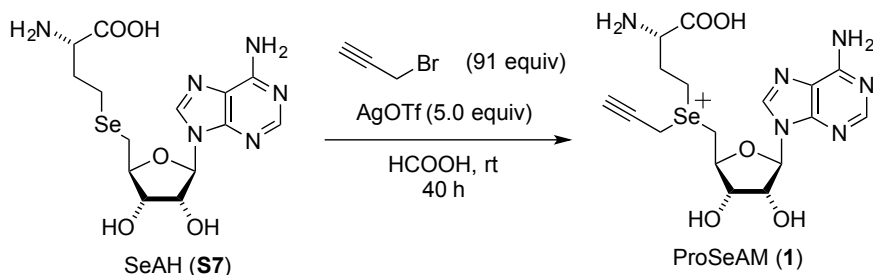
Se powder (135.7 mg, 1.72 mmol) was suspended in EtOH (15 mL) at room temperature. The suspension was stirred at 95 °C under reflux in an Ar atmosphere (balloon) for 15 min. To the resulting suspension was added NaBH₄ (77.4 mg, 2.04 mmol) at 95 °C, and stirring was continued for 4 h at 95 °C under Ar. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, and (*S*)-2-amino-4-bromobutyric acid hydrobromide (225.9 g, 0.86 mmol), purchased from Aldrich, was added to it. After further stirring for 19 h at room temperature under Ar, the reaction was quenched with 2 M HCl (2.0 mL). The solid precipitate was collected on a paper filter, and washed with H₂O containing 0.1% TFA. The filtrate was concentrated by rotary evaporation. The residue was dissolved in H₂O containing 0.1%TFA, and then purified by reversed-phase HPLC using a Senshu

Pak PEGASIL ODS100 ($\phi 10 \times 250$ mm) with 16% MeOHaq containing 0.1% TFA (3.0 mL/min flow rate, detected at 254 nm, 20 °C, t_r 11.9 min). The fraction containing **S6** was concentrated in a freeze-dryer to give **S6** in 89% yield (138.2 mg, 0.38 mmol). The NMR spectrum of **S6** was consistent with reported data.^[S9]

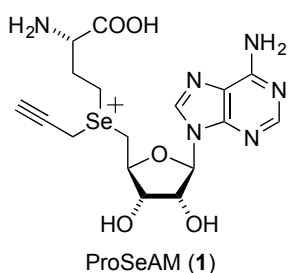


To a solution of **S6** (36.6 mg, 0.101 mol) in EtOH was added NaBH_4 (43.0 mg, 1.13 mmol) at room temperature under Ar. The mixture was stirred for 30 min at room temperature, then 5'-iodo-5'-deoxyadenosine^[S9] (91.5 mg, 0.243 mmol) was added at room temperature under Ar, and stirring was continued for 10 h. The solvent was removed in a rotary evaporator, and the residue was dissolved in H_2O and roughly purified using Sep-Pak[®] (Waters Sep-Pak[®] Vac 6cc C18-500mg cartridge) with stepwise elution (H_2O , 2.5% MeOHaq, 10% MeOHaq, 50% MeOHaq and 100% MeOH). Fractions (2.5% MeOHaq, and 10% MeOHaq) containing SeAH (**S7**) were combined and freeze-dried to give SeAH (**S7**) in 18% yield (15.6 mg, 0.036 mmol). The ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra of **S7** were consistent with reported data.^[S9]





SeAH (**S7**: 15.6 mg, 36 μmol) was dissolved in formic acid (720 μL), and the mixture was stirred at 0 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 15 min. To the mixture were added propargyl bromide (164 μL , 2.18 mmol, 61 equiv) and silver triflate (29.3 mg, 0.114 mmol) at 0 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. The mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature, and stirred for 22 h in a reaction flask protected from sunlight. Monitoring by reversed-phase TLC (10% MeOH) showed that SeAH (**S7**) still remained. Therefore, additional propargyl bromide (82 μL , 1.09 mmol) and silver triflate (16.9 mg, 0.066 mmol) dissolved in formic acid (100 μL), were added and stirring was continued for a further 18 h. Upon complete consumption of SeAH (**S7**), the reaction mixture was diluted with water (4 mL), and then washed with diethyl ether (5 mL x 3). Freeze-drying afforded a residue, which was dissolved in H_2O and roughly purified by Sep-Pak[®] (Waters Sep-Pak[®] Vac 6cc C18-500mg cartridge) with stepwise elution (H_2O , 50% MeOHaq, and 100% MeOH) in order to remove excess silver triflate. The eluate was freeze-dried. Because isolated ProSeAM (**1**) is unstable under neutral or basic conditions,^[S7, S8] **1** was dissolved in H_2O or D_2O , and which pH was controlled at about 2 with TFA, as follows. The residue was dissolved in H_2O (pH controlled to about 2 with TFA), and then purified by reversed-phase HPLC using an ATLANTIS[™] T3C18 ($\phi 10 \times 250$ mm) column with 5% MeOHaq containing 0.1% TFA (2.0 ml/min flow rate, detected at 254 nm, 20 $^{\circ}\text{C}$) to selectively give two diastereomers of the corresponding propargylated adduct, at 15.0 min (high polar adduct) and 15.9 min (less polar adduct). We used the biologically active fraction (less polar adduct at 15.9 min) in this study; this fraction was concentrated by freeze-drying to give ProSeAM (**1**) in 3.5 % yield (0.6 mg, 1.3 μmol ; calculated on the basis of the formula $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_6\text{O}_5\text{Se}$ without considering the counter anion). To avoid decomposition of isolated ProSeAM (**1**), the sample dissolved in D_2O (the pH was controlled to about 2 with TFA) and directly transferred from the NMR tube to an Eppendorf tube without removing D_2O (the pH was controlled about 2 with TFA, 2.1 mM). The stock solution (2.1 mM) in D_2O (the pH was controlled about 2 with TFA) was kept in a deep freezer. All the biological assays described below were conducted using samples diluted with 2 mM TFA in H_2O .



¹H NMR [400 MHz, D₂O containing 0.1% TFA (pH ~2)] δ 8.47 (s, 1 H), 8.47 (s, 1H) 6.16 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 4.67–4.53 (m, 1 H), 4.21 (br d, J = 1.4 Hz, 2H), 4.00 (dd, J = 12.6, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 3.96–3.90 (m, 2H), 3.67–3.52 (m, 2H), 3.22 (t, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 2.46–2.35 (m, 2H), 2.21 (s, 2H); **HRMS-ESI** calcd for C₁₇H₂₃N₆O₅Se: 471.0896, found 471.0898.

5. Assay for PMT-inhibitory activity of ETPs using ProSeAM (1): Fig 3b

HEK293T cell lysate (30 μ g) in 3 μ L of lysis buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 50 mM KCl, 10% glycerol, 0.1% Tween-20) was mixed with 0.5 μ L of the indicated concentrations of ETPs in 1 x reaction buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, total reaction volume was 19.5 μ L), and incubated for 10 min at rt. Then, 0.5 μ L of 2 mM ProSeAM (final concentration was 50 μ M) was added to the reaction tube and incubation was continued for 2 h at 20 °C; in all cases, ProSeAM (1) was freshly prepared. The reaction was stopped by adding four volumes of ice-cold acetone. The reaction tube was centrifuged at 15,000 x g for 5 min, and the precipitate was washed once with ice-cold acetone. The pellet was resolved in 15.5 μ L of 1 x PBS +0.2% SDS, then 4 μ L of 5 x click reaction buffer and 0.5 μ L of 10 mM Azide-PEG4-Biotin (Click Chemistry Tools: Bioconjugate Technology Company, Scottsdale, AZ, USA) were added, and the mixture was incubated for 60 min at rt. The click reaction was stopped with four volumes of ice-cold acetone. The pellet was resolved in 10 μ L of Laemmli SDS-sample buffer. Proteins were separated on 12.5% acrylamide gel and transferred to a nitrocellulose membrane (Pall Corporation, Port Washington, NY, USA), which was then incubated with streptavidin-HRP (Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc., Waltham, MA, USA) for 1 h at rt. The membrane was washed three times with 1x PBS, and incubated with the Western Lightning Plus-ECL Kit (Perkin Elmer, Waltham MA, USA) according to the manufacturer's protocol. Chemiluminescence was detected with X-ray film (RX-U, Fuji Film, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan). Signal intensity of bands was measured with ImageJ software. IC₅₀ values for histone were calculated from the intensity of the 17 kDa band, and those for non-histones from the integrated band intensity from 20 kDa to 250 kDa. The signal intensity of anti- α -tubulin was used for normalization as a loading control. Three experiments were conducted independently, and IC₅₀ values are shown as mean \pm SEM.

Table S2. IC₅₀ values of ETPs **4**, **5** and chaetocin (**2**).

	IC ₅₀ [μM] (Histone)	IC ₅₀ [μM] (Non-histone)
<i>anti-4a</i>	2.63 ± 0.41	31.6 ± 21.3
<i>syn-4b</i>	55.3 ± 16	78.1 ± 14.5
<i>anti-5a</i>	6.68 ± 1.4	10.3 ± 3.61
<i>syn-5b</i>	34.8 ± 10.3	6.25 ± 1.11
2	2.21 ± 0.79	6.02 ± 2.38

6. Quantitative MS/MS analysis for identification of protein substrates: Fig 4a

HEK293T cells were cultured for at least six doubling times in DMEM+10% dialyzed FBS containing either light-carbon-containing lysine (12C) or stable-isotope-labeled (13C) lysine with a SILAC labeling kit (Pierce # 89983). The lysates (150 μ g) in lysis buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 50 mM KCl, 10% glycerol, 0.1% Tween-20) were mixed with (13C) or without (12C) 250 μ M labeled *syn-5b* in 1 x reaction buffer (50 mM Tris- HCl, pH 8.0), and incubated for 10 min at rt. Then 250 μ M ProSeAM (**1**) was added to the reaction tube and incubation was continued for 2 h at 20 °C. The reaction was stopped by adding four volumes of ice-cold acetone. The reaction tube was centrifuged at 15,000 x g for 5 min, and the precipitate was washed once with ice-cold acetone. The pellet was resolved in 39 μ L of 1 \times PBS + 0.2% SDS, then 10 μ L of 5 \times click reaction buffer and 1 μ L of 10 mM Azide-PEG4-Biotin (Click Chemistry Tools) were added. The mixture was incubated for 60 min at rt. The click reaction was stopped with four volumes of ice-cold acetone. The pellet was resolved in 75 μ L of binding buffer (1 \times PBS, 0.1% Tween-20, 2% SDS, 20 mM DTT) and sonicated for 10 s. The 12C and 13C samples were mixed in one tube, then 3 mg of Dynabeads M-280 Streptavidin (Life Technologies Japan Ltd., Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan) in 450 μ L of IP buffer (TBS, 0.1% Tween-20) was added, and the mixture was incubated for 30 min at rt (the final SDS concentration in the reaction mixture was 0.5%). The protein-bound beads were washed 3 times with wash buffer (1 \times PBS, 0.1% Tween-20, 0.5% SDS) and then washed twice more with 100 mM ammonium bicarbonate (ABC) buffer. The protein-bound beads were analyzed by mass spectrometry. Acetonitrile (1/10 volume) and DTT (20 mM) were added to the protein-bound Dynabeads in 100 mM ABC buffer, and the mixture was incubated for 30 min at 56 °C. Then, iodoacetamide (IAA) was added and the mixture was incubated for 30 min at 37 °C in the dark. The protein samples were digested with 1 μ g Lys-C (Promega), and the protein fragments were applied to a liquid chromatograph (EASY-nLC 1000; Thermo Fisher Scientific, Odense, Denmark) coupled to a Q Exactive Hybrid Quadrupole-Orbitrap Mass Spectrometer (Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc., San Jose, CA, USA) with a nanospray ion source in the positive mode. The peptides were separated on a NANO-HPLC capillary column C18 (0.075-mm inner diameter 150 mm length, 3 mm particle size; Nikkyo Technos, Tokyo, Japan). Mobile phase “A” was comprised of water with 0.1% formic acid, and mobile phase “B” was comprised of acetonitrile with 0.1% formic acid. Two different slopes were used for a 120 min gradient at a flow rate of 300 nL/ min: 0%–30% B in 100 min and then 30%–65% B in 100-120 min. The parameters of the mass spectrometer were as follows: spray voltage, 2.3 kV; capillary temperature, 275 °C; mass-to-charge ratio, 350–1800; normalized collision energy, 28%. Raw data were acquired with the Xcalibur software (Thermo Fisher Scientific). The MS and MS/MS data were searched against the Swiss-Prot database using Proteome Discoverer 1.4 (Thermo Fisher Scientific) with the MASCOT search engine

software, version 2.4.1 (Matrix Science, London, United Kingdom). The search parameters were as follows: enzyme, Lys-C; quantitation, SILAC K (+6); static modifications, carbamidomethyl (Cys); dynamic modifications, oxidation (Met); precursor mass tolerance, 6 ppm; fragment mass tolerance, 20 mDa; maximum missed cleavages, 1. The proteins were considered identified when the false discovery rates (FDR) were less than 1%. For substrate identification, proteins with at least a 2-fold decrease were defined as hit protein targets against *syn-5b*. In total, 90 proteins were identified as substrates of *syn-5b* sensitive MTases (**Table S3**).

7. Purification of recombinant PRMT1 and HNRNPK

Full-length cDNA corresponding to mouse PRMT1 (NCBI ID: NM_019830) and mouse HNRNPK (NCBI ID: NM_001301341) were obtained by PCR from a C57BL/6 mouse cDNA library. The cDNAs obtained were cloned into the pET19b vector to generate N-terminal His-tagged constructs (pET19b-PRMT1, pET19b-HNRNPK). *Escherichia coli* BL21 (pLysS) strains were transformed with pET19b plasmids, and the bacteria were cultured in 2× YT medium with ampicillin (100 µg/mL) and 0.2 mM isopropyl β-D-1-thiogalactopyranoside (IPTG) for 18-24 h at 16 °C. The cells were pelleted and lysed with 1× PBS/0.5% NP-40 by sonication with a Branson Sonifier (S-250D, Branson Ultrasonics Corp., CT, USA) for 5 min on ice. The lysates were centrifuged at 15,000 × g for 10 min, and the supernatants were incubated with Ni-NTA Agarose (Qiagen, Valencia, CA, USA) for 1 h at 4 °C with gentle agitation. The agarose beads were washed 5 times with wash buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl, pH 7.4, 25 mM imidazole) and then eluted with elution buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl pH 7.4, 250 mM imidazole). The purified proteins were dialyzed with 1× PBS/10% glycerol, and their concentration was measured using the Bradford Protein Assay Kit (BioRad Laboratories, Hercules, CA, USA).

8. Effect of *anti-4a* and *syn-5b* on PRMT-1-catalyzed methylation of HNRNPK: Fig 4b

HNRNPK (1 μg) was incubated in 1 \times Reaction buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.0, reaction volume was 20 μL) with His-PRMT1 (0.2 μg) and the indicated amounts of inhibitors for 20 min at rt. SAM (20 μM final) was then added to the reaction tube and incubation was continued for 20 min at 30 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. The reaction was stopped by adding Laemmli SDS-sample buffer. Proteins were resolved on a 10% acrylamide SDS-PAGE gel, and transferred to a nitrocellulose membrane (Pall Corporation, Port Washington, NY, USA). The membrane was incubated with anti-His antibody or anti-ADMA antibody overnight at 4 $^{\circ}\text{C}$, then washed three times with 1 \times PBS/0.1% Tween20, incubated with appropriate HRP-conjugated secondary antibody for 1 h at rt, washed again three times with 1 \times PBS/0.1% Tween20, and incubated with the Western Lightning Plus-ECL Kit (Perkin Elmer, Waltham MA, USA) according to the manufacturer's protocol. Chemiluminescence was detected with X-ray film (RX-U, Fuji Film, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan). Antibodies used were obtained as follows: anti-6xHis antibody (Wako); anti-ADMA antibody (#13522, Cell Signaling Technology). IC_{50} values were calculated from the signal intensity of anti-ADMA antibody normalized to that of anti-His antibody. Four experiments were conducted independently IC_{50} values are shown as mean \pm SEM.

9. Effect of *syn-5b* on HeLa cells:

HeLa cells (2×10^5) were seeded on 12-well plates, and cultured in DMEM with 10% FCS overnight at 37 °C, 5% CO₂. Cells were washed once with 1xPBS, then fresh DMEM with 10% FCS and *syn-5b* were added to each well. Cells were cultured for an additional 24 h and collected. Cell pellets were lysed with 20 μL Laemmli SDS-sample buffer. Proteins were resolved on a 12.5% acrylamide SDS-PAGE gel, and transferred to a nitrocellulose membrane for western blot analysis as described in section 8. Anti- α -tubulin antibody (clone B-5-1-2, Sigma-Aldrich, St. Louis, MO, USA) was used as a loading control for normalization of the intensity of anti-ADMA antibody. Three experiments were conducted independently. The determined IC₅₀ value (22.7 ± 3.6 μM) is the mean \pm SEM.

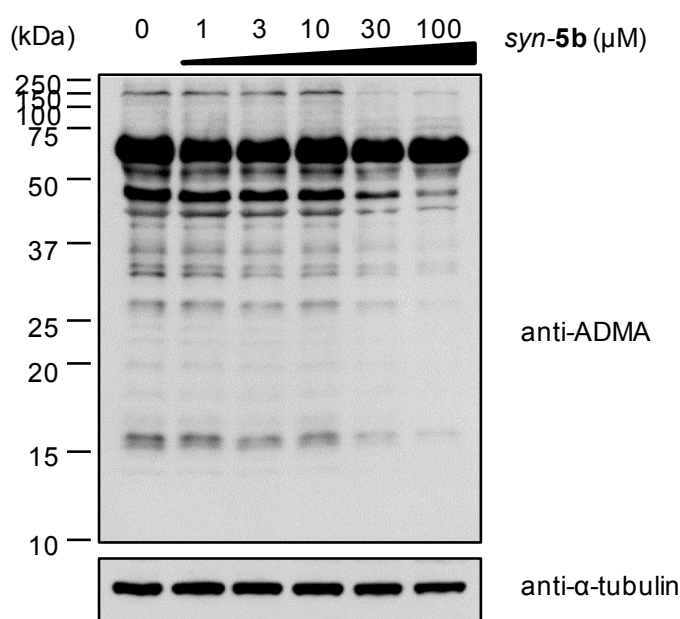


Figure S2. HeLa cells were treated with *syn-5b* at the indicated concentrations for 24 h

10. G9a-inhibitory activity of *anti-4a*, *syn-4b*, *anti-5a* and *syn-5b*

Inhibitory activities of compounds towards G9a was measured using an AlphaLISA enzymatic assay.^[S10,S11] Briefly, recombinant human G9a proteins (final concentration 0.0675 nM) (BPS Bioscience, San Diego, CA, USA) were pre-treated with each compound for 10 min and then incubated with biotinylated histone H3 peptide (1-21) (final concentration 100 nM) and SAM (final concentration 15 μ M) in 10 μ L of assay buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl [pH 9.0], 50 mM NaCl, 0.01% Tween-20, 1 mM DTT). After 60 min at room temperature, anti-H3K9me2 acceptor beads (final concentration 20 μ g/mL) and streptavidin donor beads (final concentration 20 μ g/mL) were added and incubation was continued for 60 min at room temperature. The α signal was detected using an EnSpire Alpha plate reader (PerkinElmer, Waltham, MA, USA).

Table S4. G9a-inhibitory activity of ETPs *in vitro*

Entry	ETPs	IC ₅₀ [μ M]
1	Chaetocin (2)	7.2 \pm 0.37
2	<i>anti-4a</i>	1.2 \pm 0.17
3	<i>syn-4b</i>	2.7 \pm 0.65
4	<i>anti-5a</i>	1.4 \pm 0.14
5	<i>syn-5b</i>	2.5 \pm 0.60

We found significantly different inhibition trends of *syn-5b* between AlphaLISA enzymatic assay using G9a, which catalyzes H3K9 dimethylation (Table S4), and chemical methylome assay using ProSeAM (**1**), shown in Figure 3 (main text). For example, in the AlphaLISA enzymatic assay, all of the newly developed chiral ETPs, *anti-4a*, *syn-4a*, *anti-5a* and *syn-5b*, showed slightly stronger G9a-inhibitory activity than the parent chaetocin (**2**). In marked contrast, when we assessed the ProSeAM (**1**)-mediated protein-labeling pattern upon treatment with ETPs as shown in Figure 3a (main text), *syn-5b* more strongly inhibited non-histone substrates than the histone bands, whereas other ETPs (*anti-4a*, *syn-4b* and *anti-5a*) inhibited histone bands rather than non-histone bands. Subsequent quantitative MS/MS analysis using **1** led to identification of the target substrate of *syn-5b* shown in Figure 4a (main text). Table S3 shows that the substrates of protein arginine methyltransferase (PRMT) constitute the majority, while those of PKMT are minor (methylation on only R: 17 proteins, both R and K: 4 proteins, only K: 3 proteins).

We would like to emphasize that the observed difference of inhibition trends of *syn-5b* between chemical methylome assay using ProSeAM (**1**) and AlphaLISA enzymatic assay using recombinant G9a highlights the advantage of chemical methylome analysis for identifying the targets of inhibitor candidates among poorly characterized PMT substrates. Further investigations to elucidate the molecular mechanism of the target selectivity switching between *syn-5b* and other ETPs are in progress.

11. Cytotoxicity of *anti-4a*, *syn-4b*, *anti-5a* and *syn-5b*

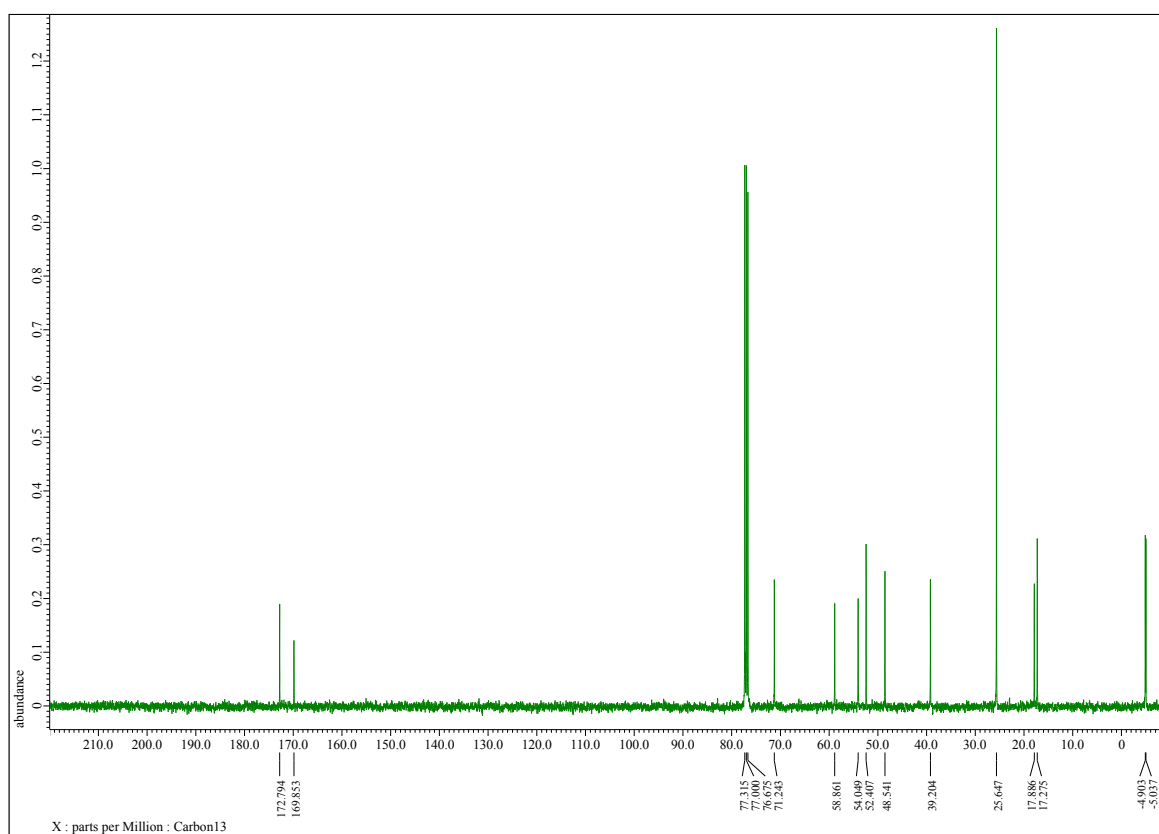
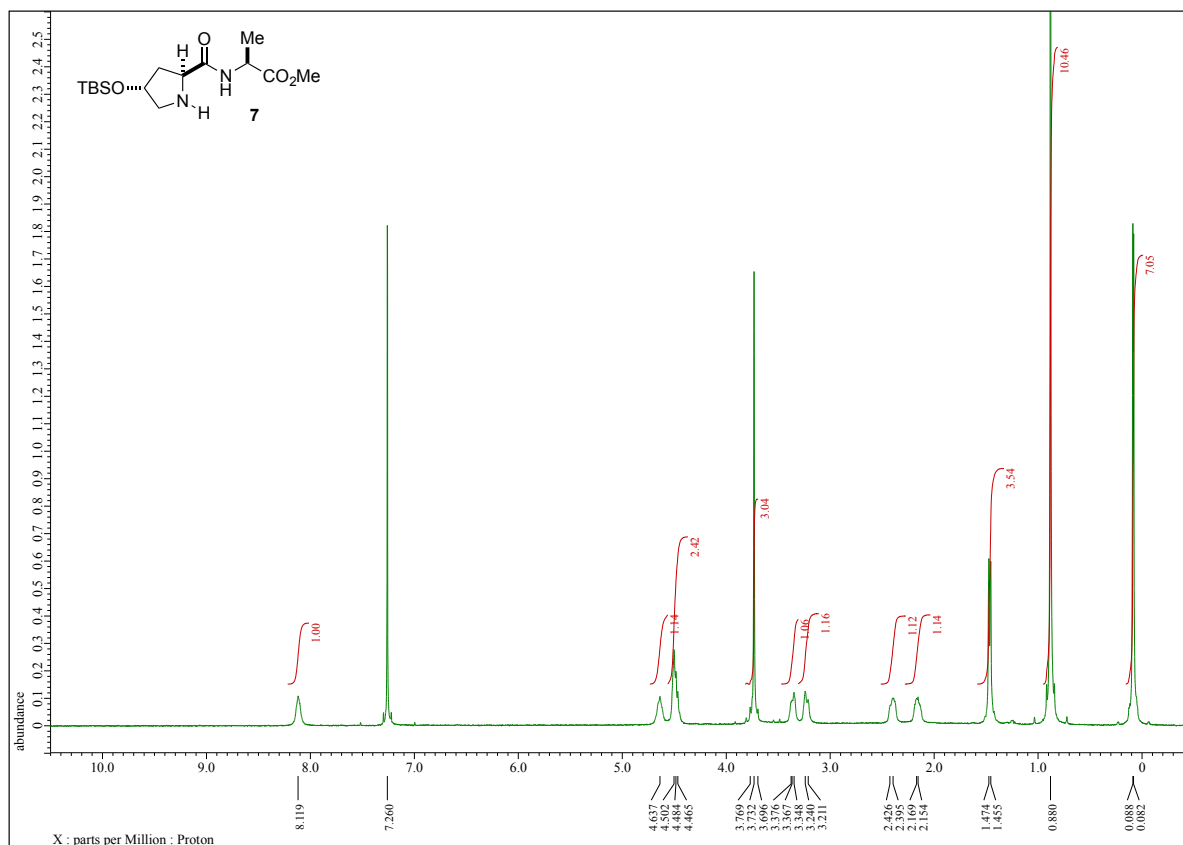
As we previously reported,^[S1] the newly developed ETPs show far weaker cytotoxicity than chaetocin (**2**). COS-7 cells (2×10^3 cells/well) were seeded on 96-well plates, and cultured in DMEM with 10% FCS overnight at 37 °C, 5% CO₂. Cells were treated with test compounds for 72 h, then 10 μ L of alamarBlue (Biosource International) was added to each well. The cell viability was determined based on the increase of fluorescence (excitation 560 nm/emission 590 nm) during 2-3 h incubation. IC₅₀ values were calculated by Origin software, and data are presented as mean \pm S.D. (n = 3, three independent experiments).

Table S5. Cytotoxicity of ETPs. COS-7 cells were treated with the ETPs over the course of 72 h, and cell viability was determined by alamarBlue assay.

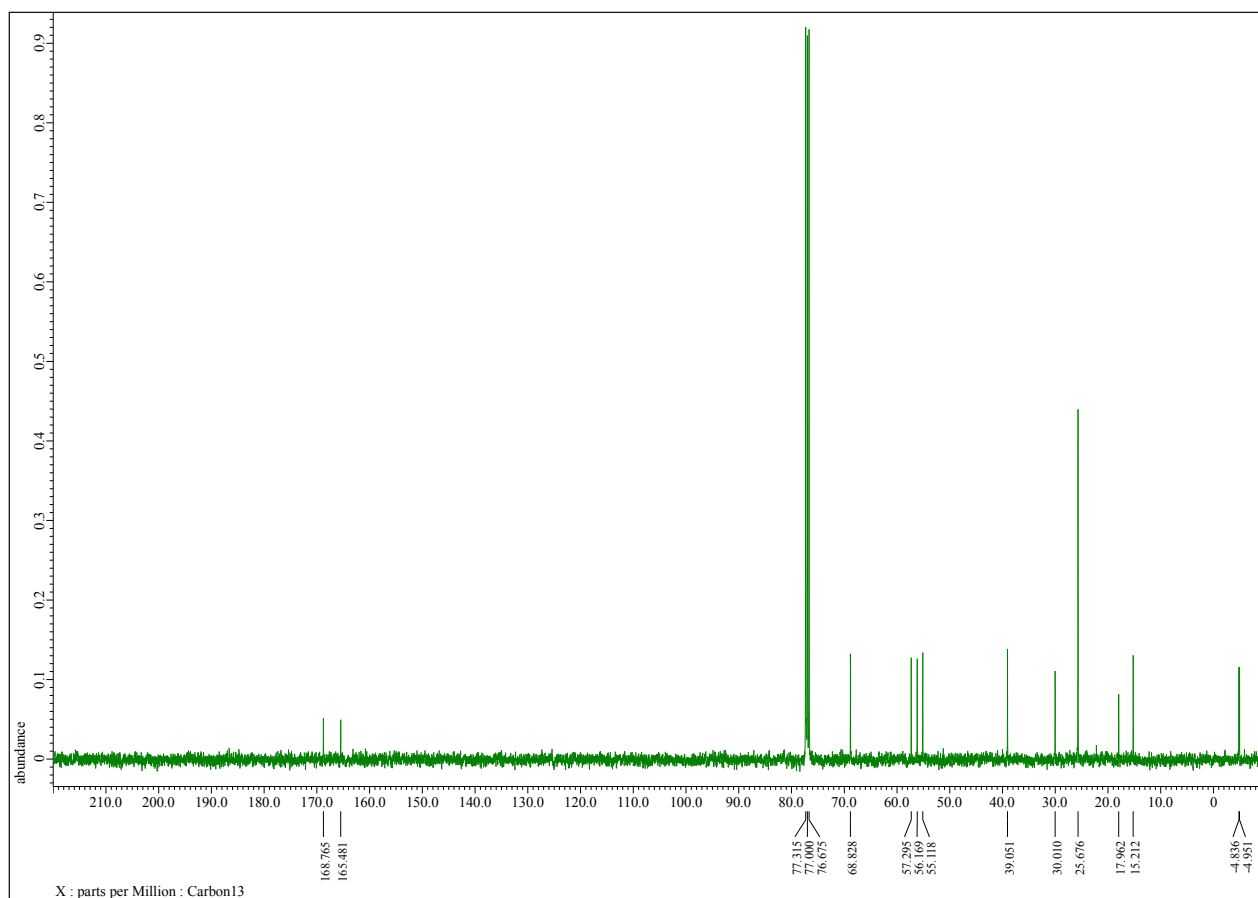
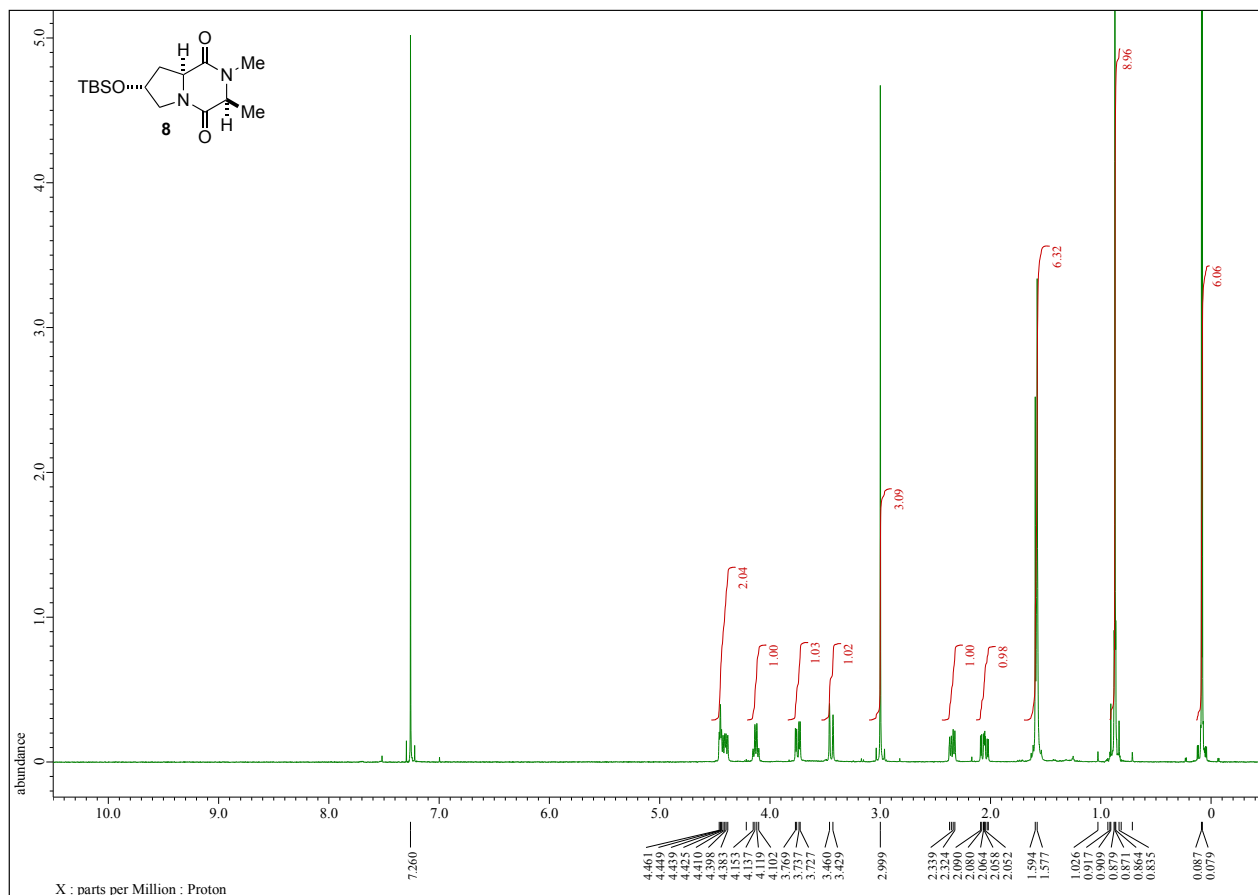
Entry	ETPs	IC ₅₀ [μ M]
1	Chaetocin (2)	0.26 \pm 0.026
2	<i>anti-4a</i>	>30
3	<i>syn-4b</i>	>30
4	<i>anti-5a</i>	>30
5	<i>syn-5b</i>	>30

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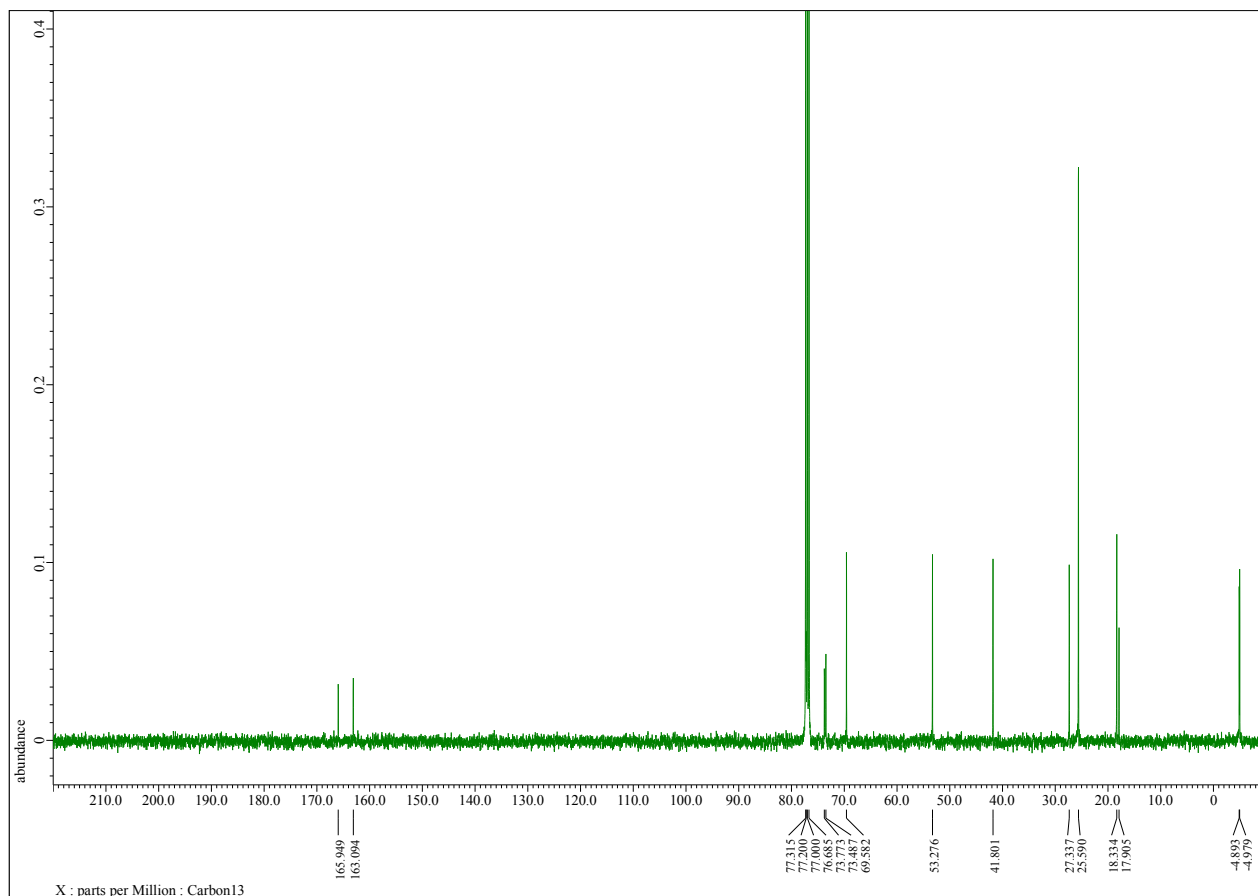
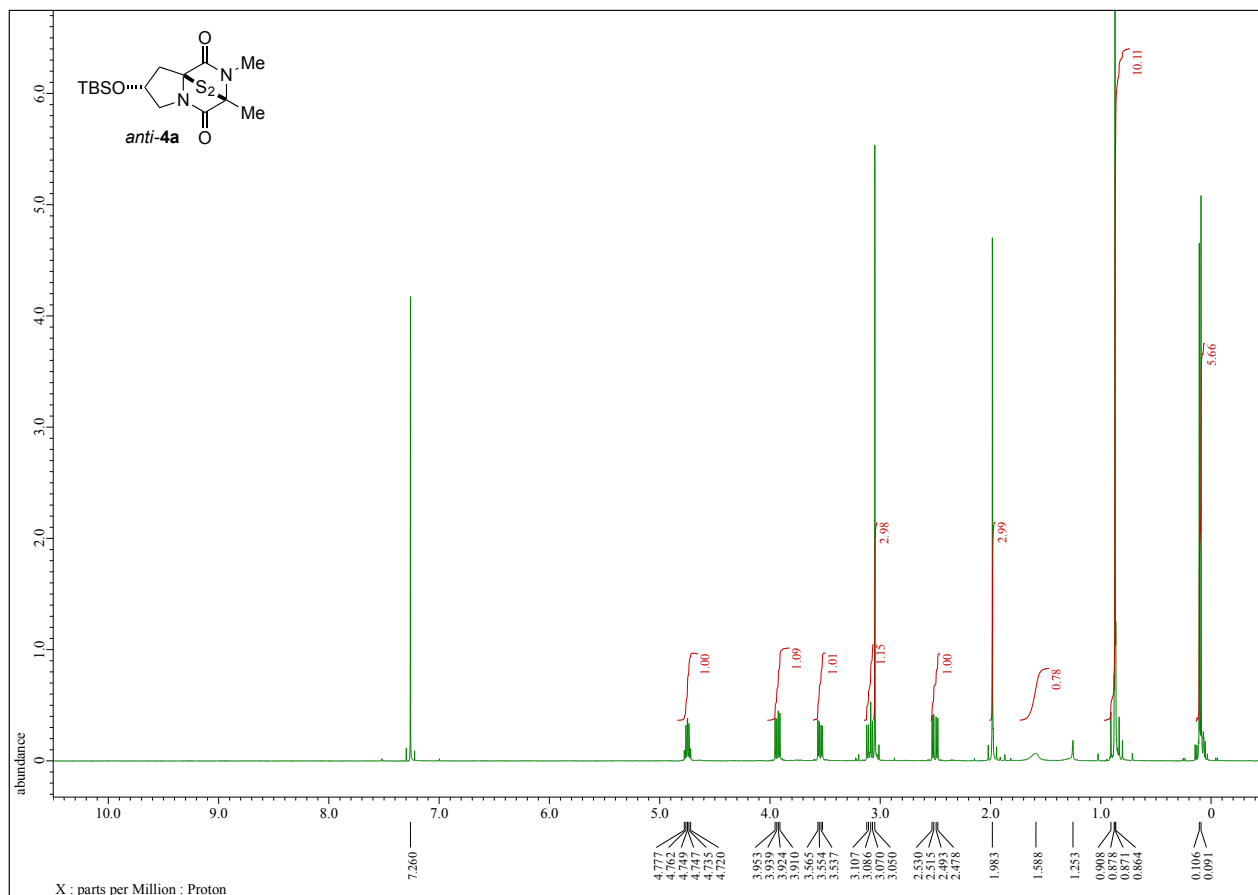
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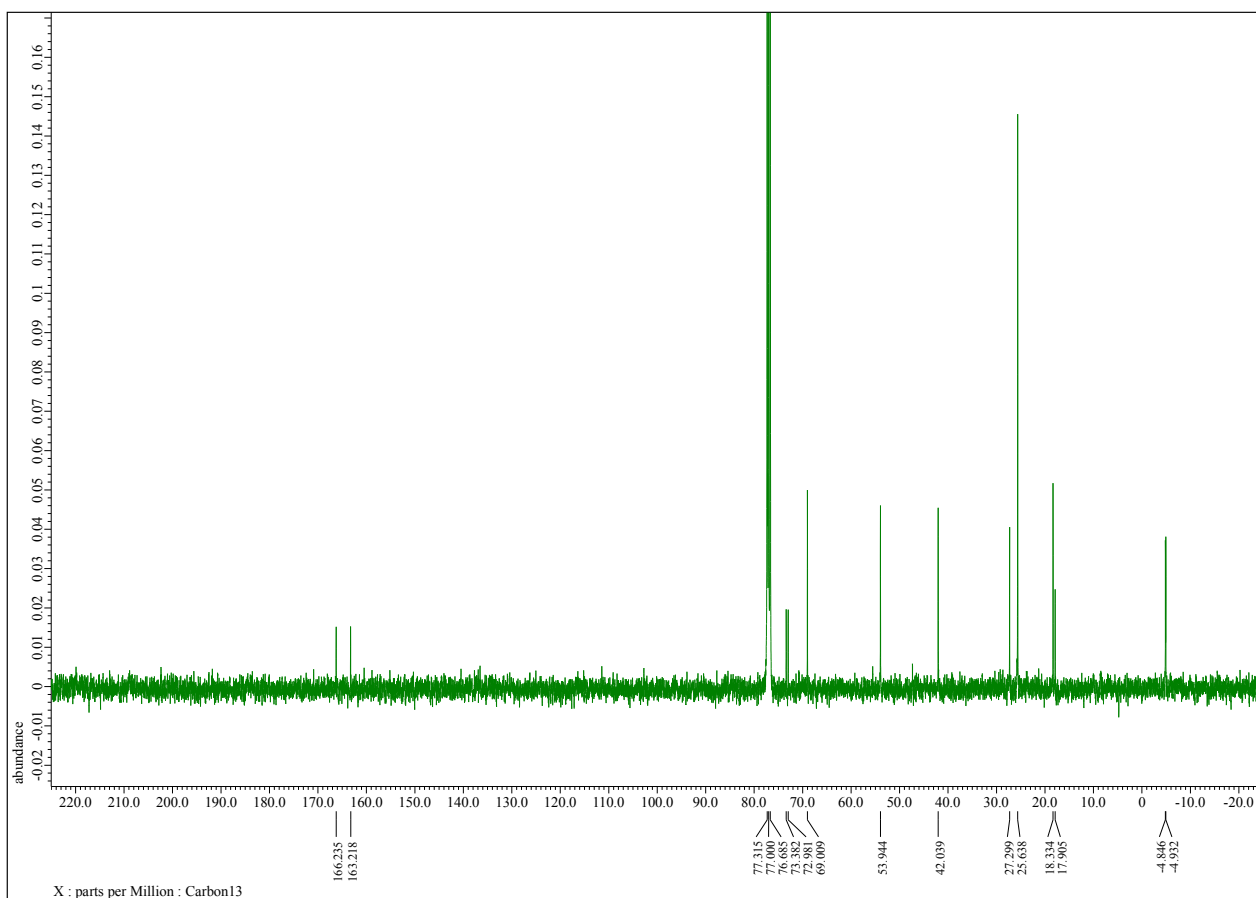
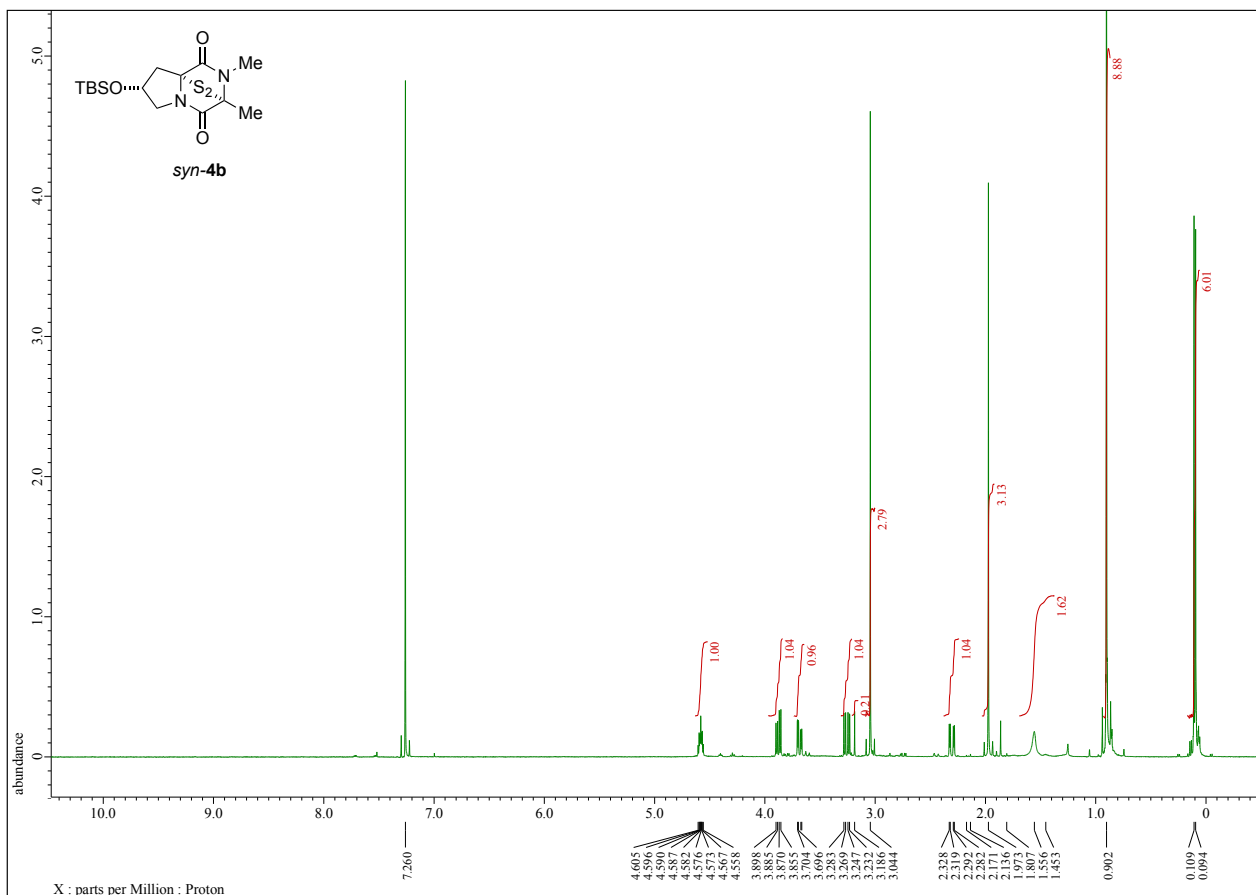
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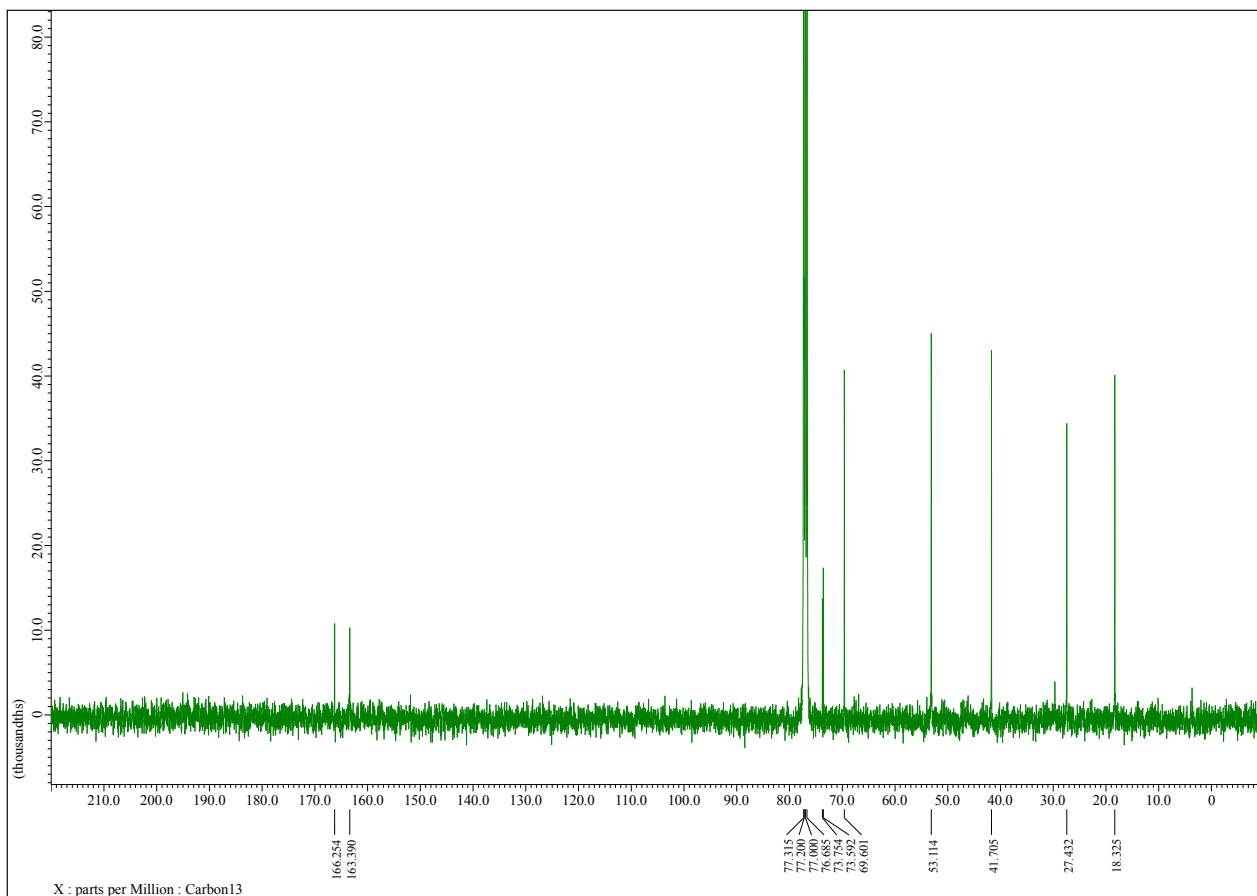
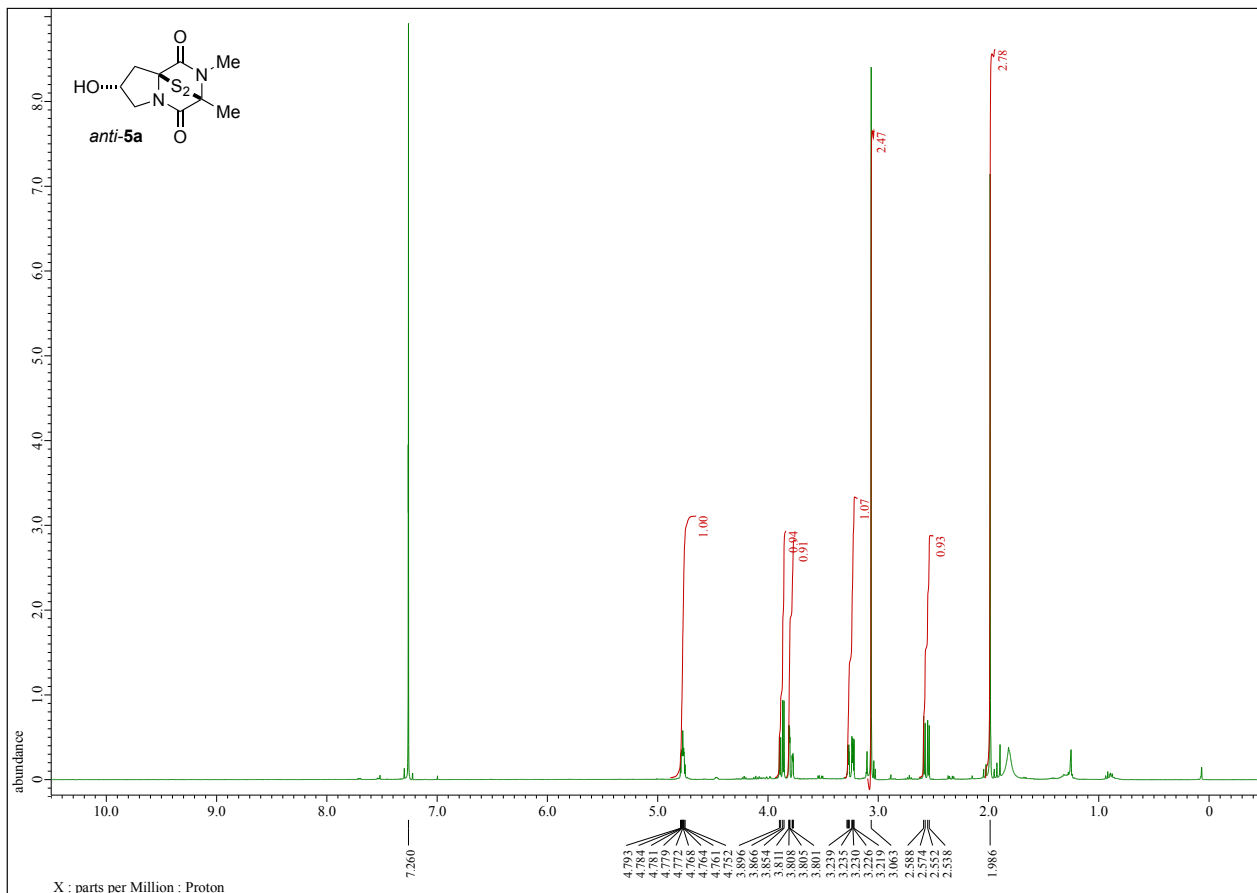
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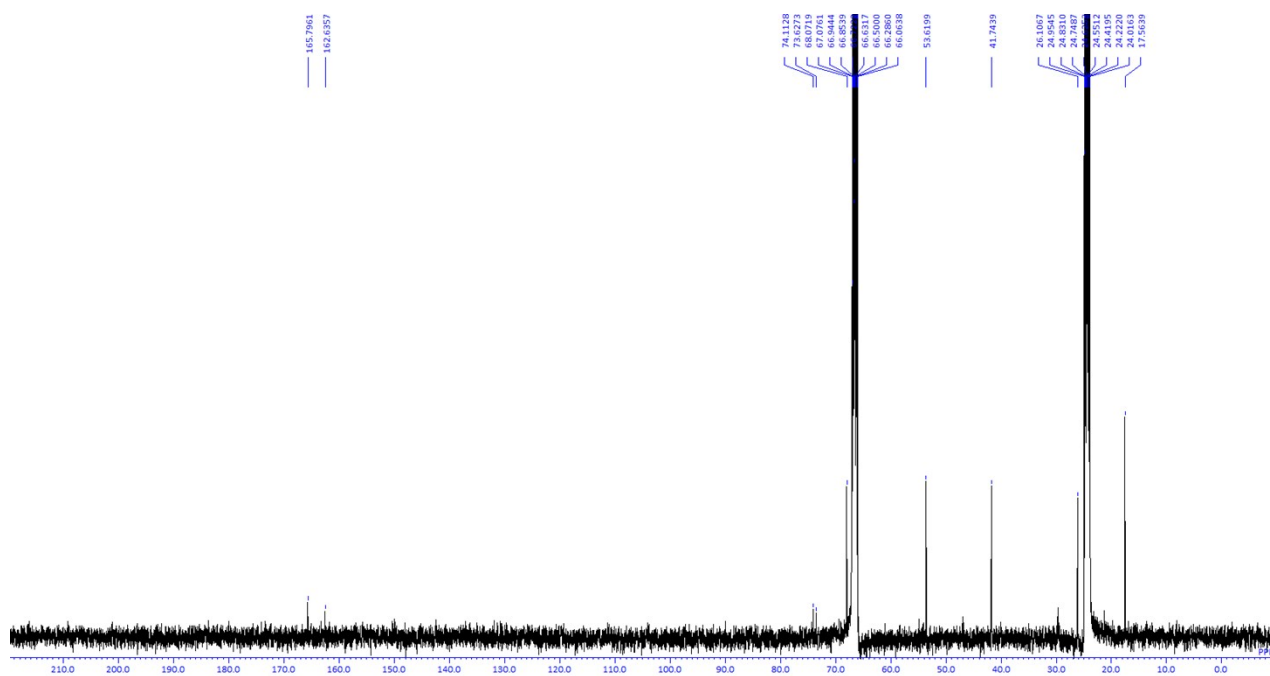
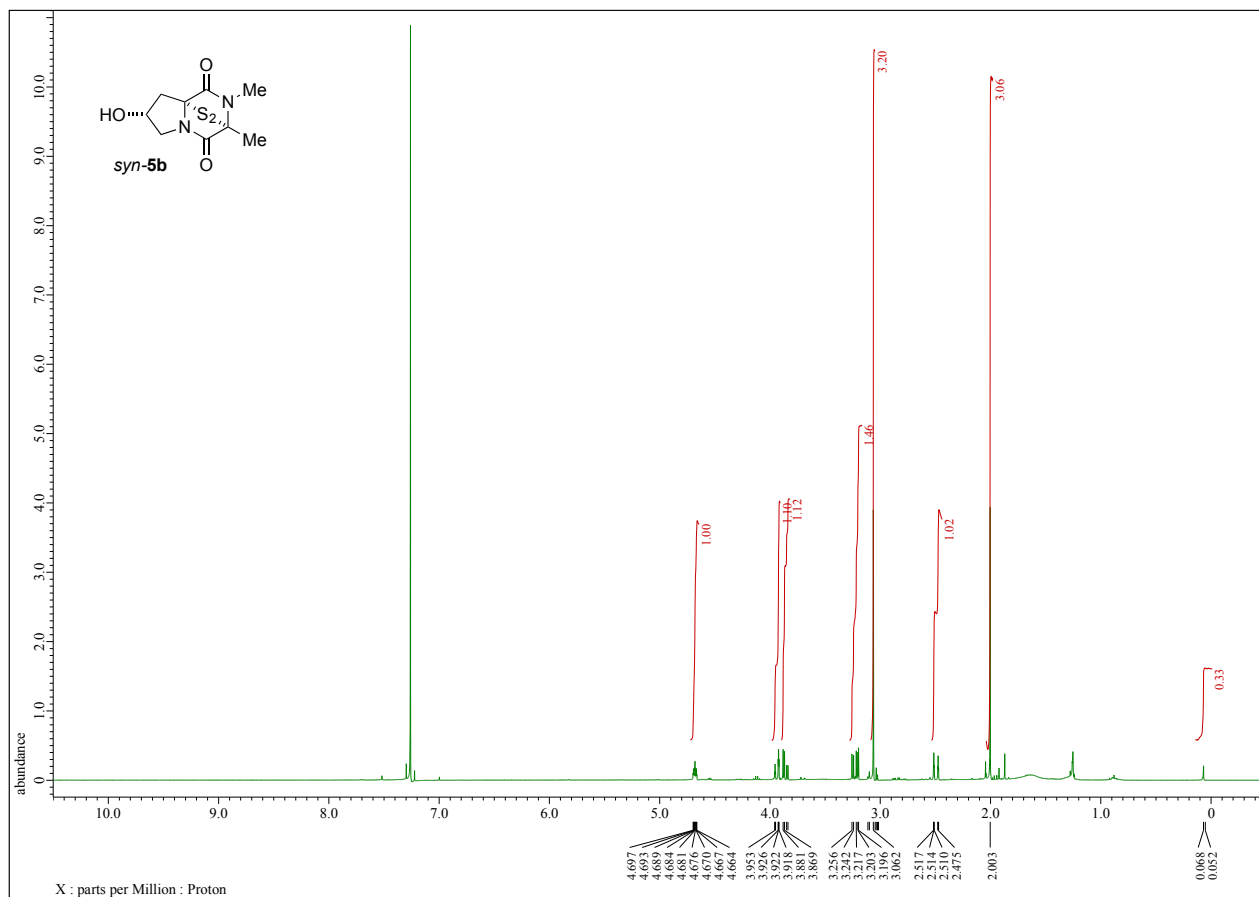
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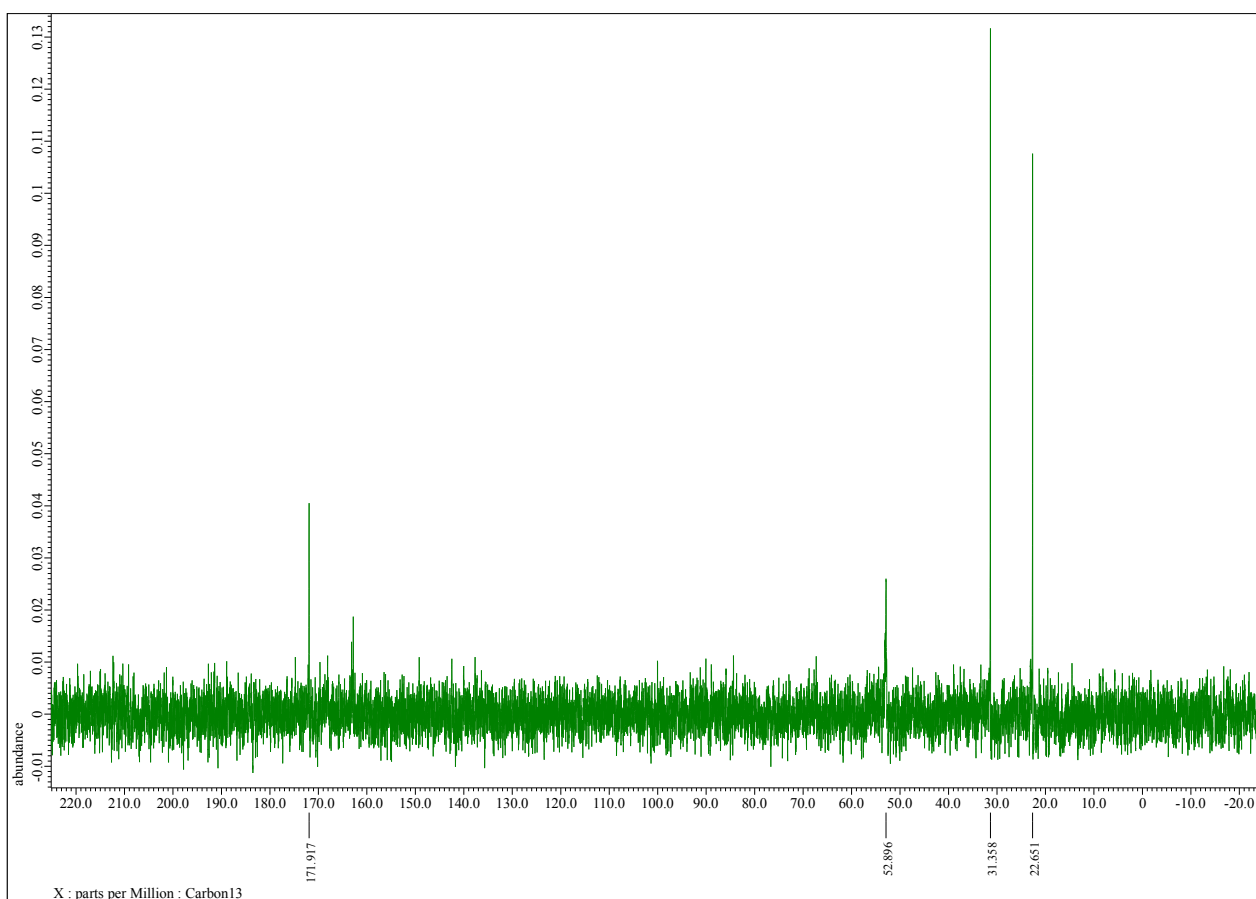
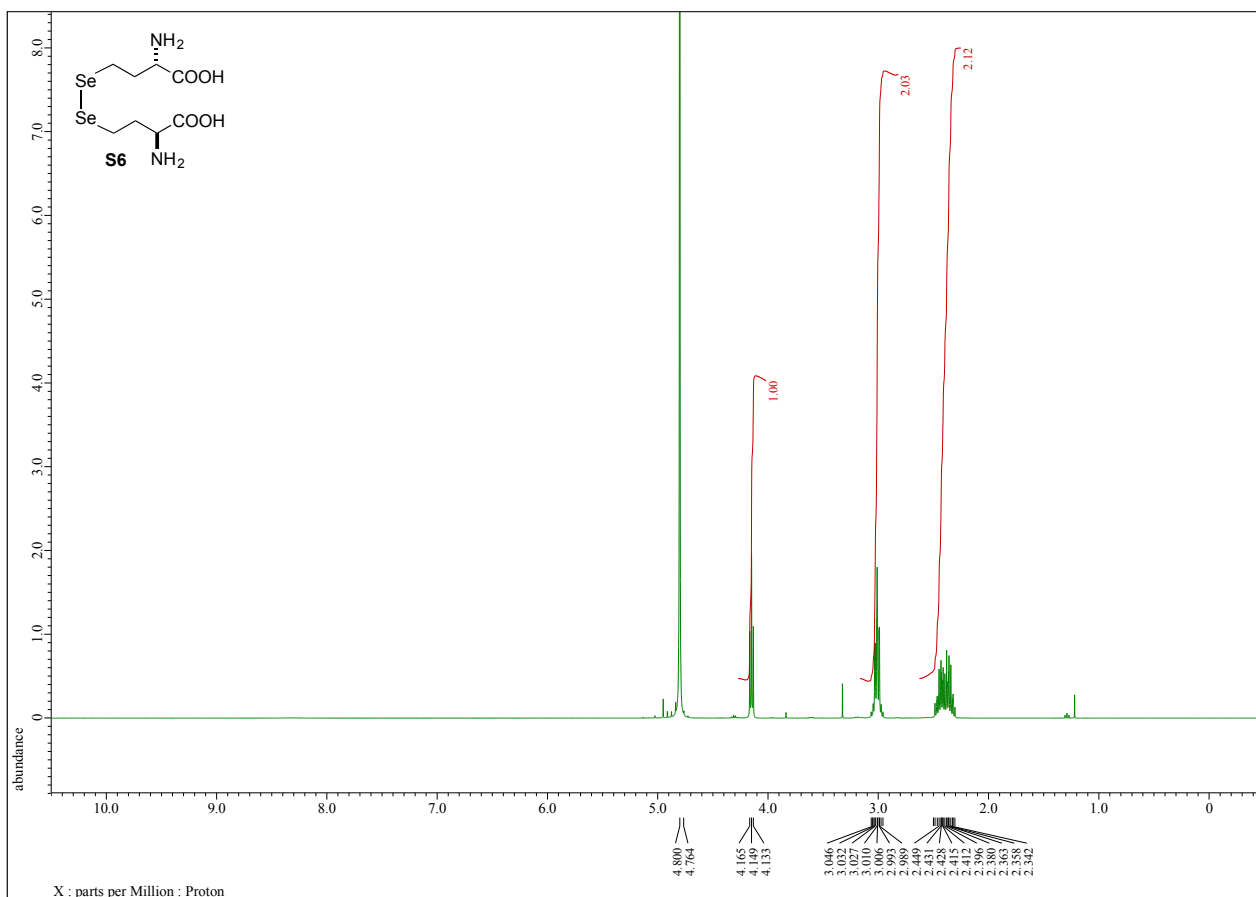
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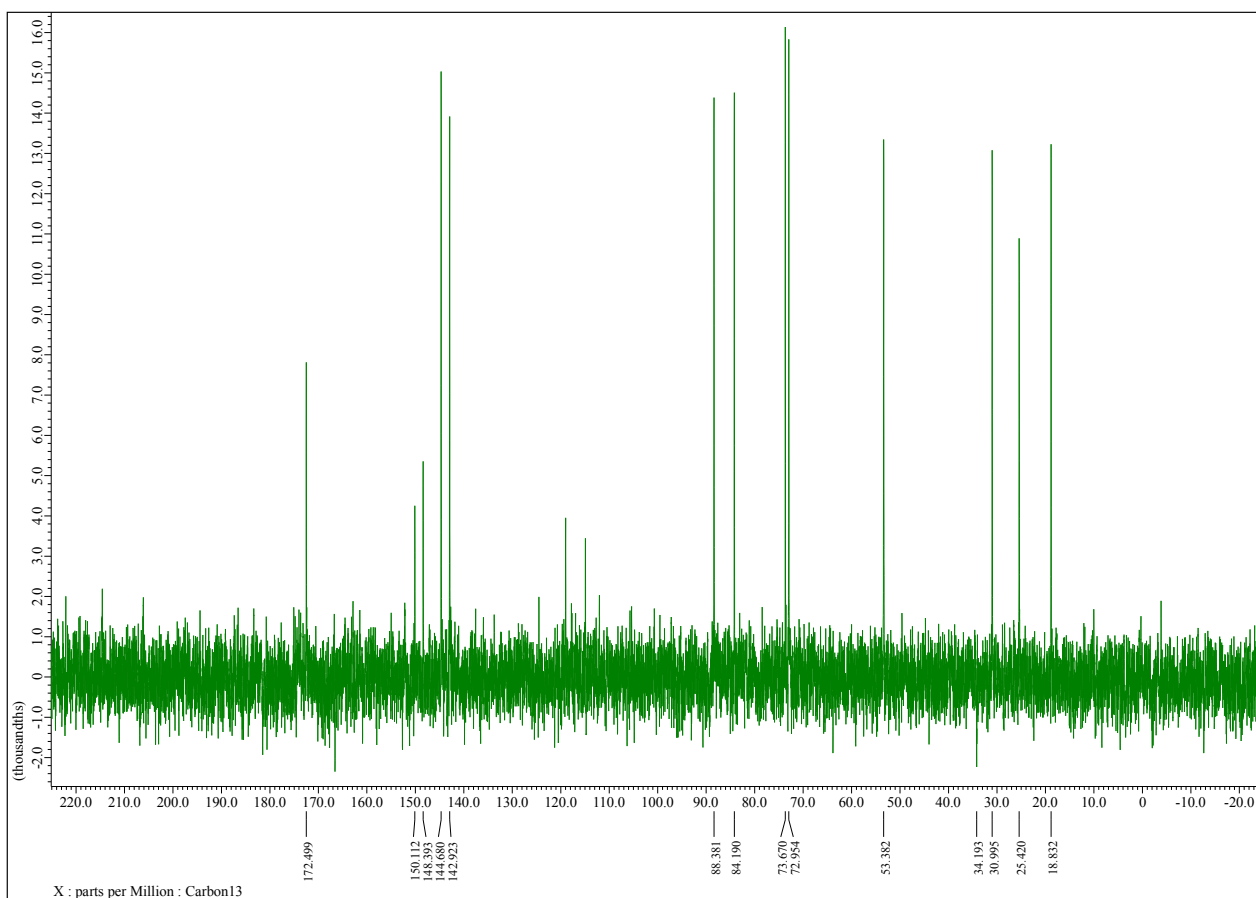
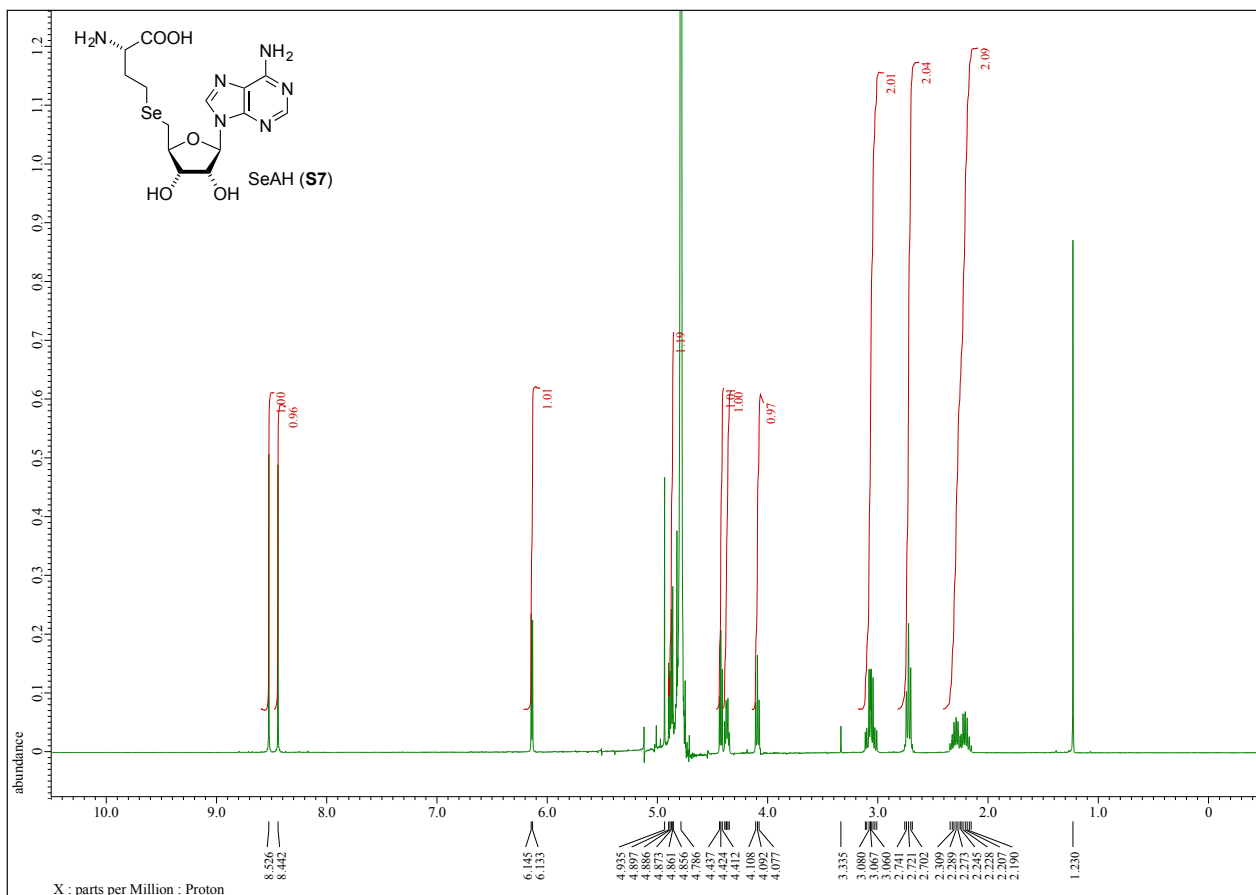
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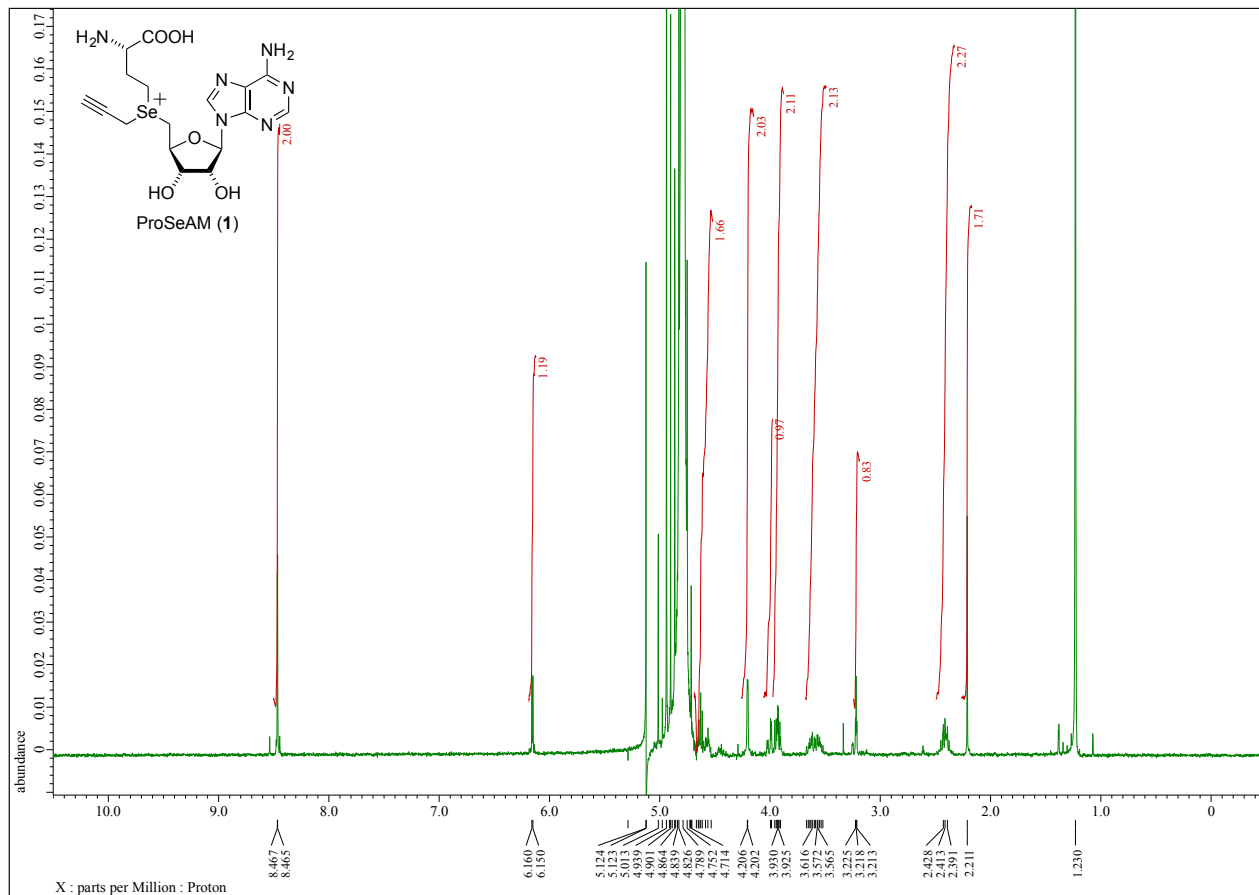
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