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More complex, less complicated? Explicit solvation of hydroxyl groups for the analysis of VCD spectra

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1. Additional spectra

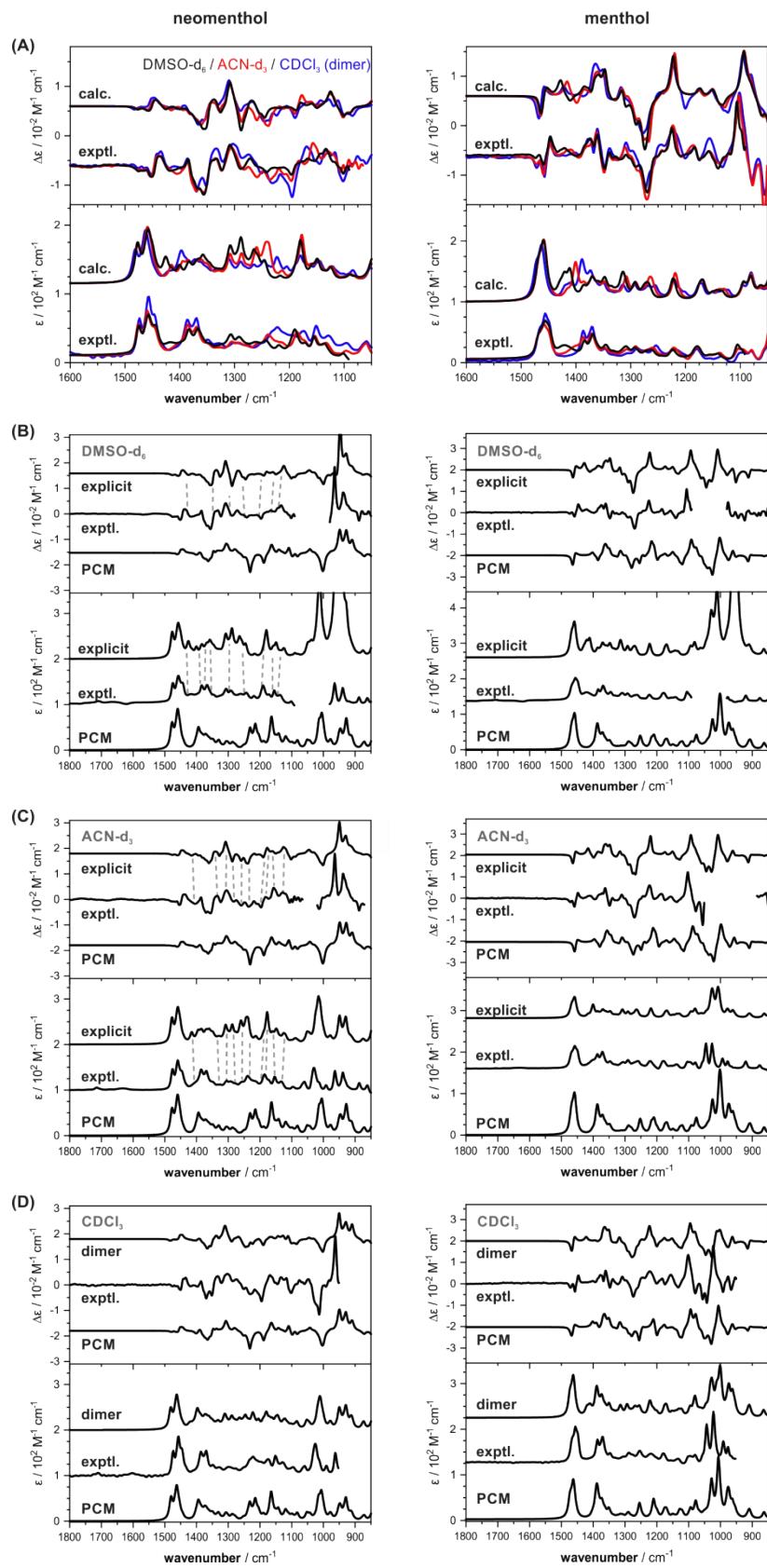


Figure S1. Experimental and calculated spectra of neomenthol (left) and menthol (right). Panel A shows an overlay of experimental and computed spectra to highlight similarities.

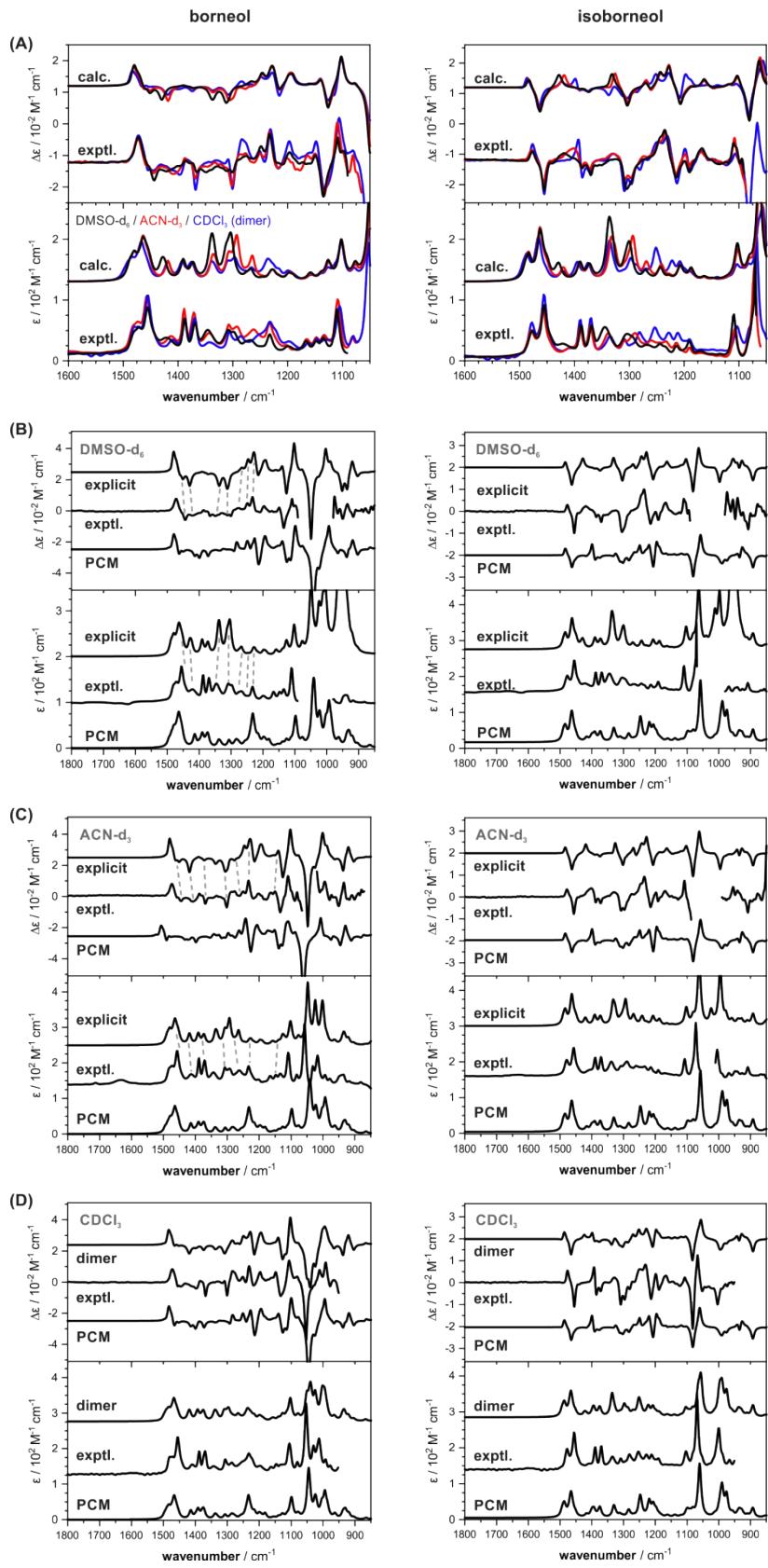


Figure S2. Experimental and calculated spectra of borneol (left) and isoborneol (right). Panel A shows an overlay of experimental and computed spectra to highlight similarities.

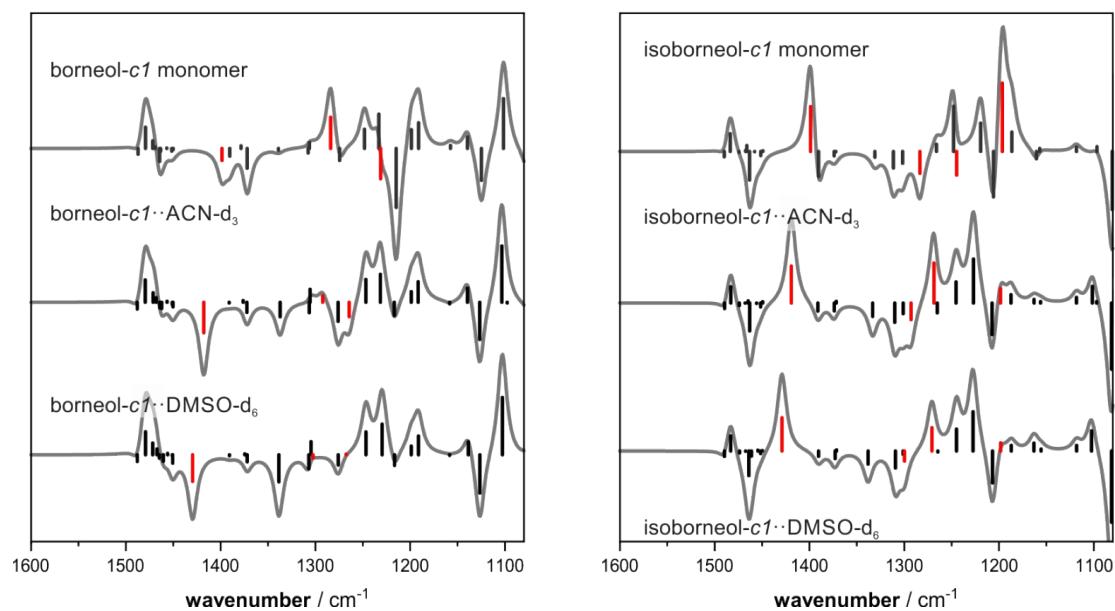
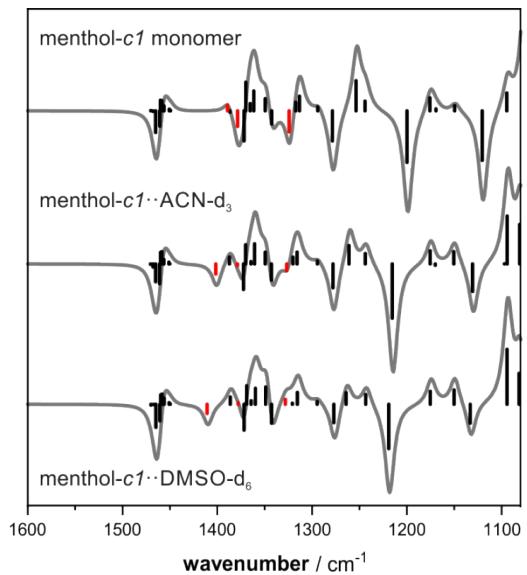


Figure S3. Line spectra of the conformer *c*1 of menthol, borneol and isoborneol.

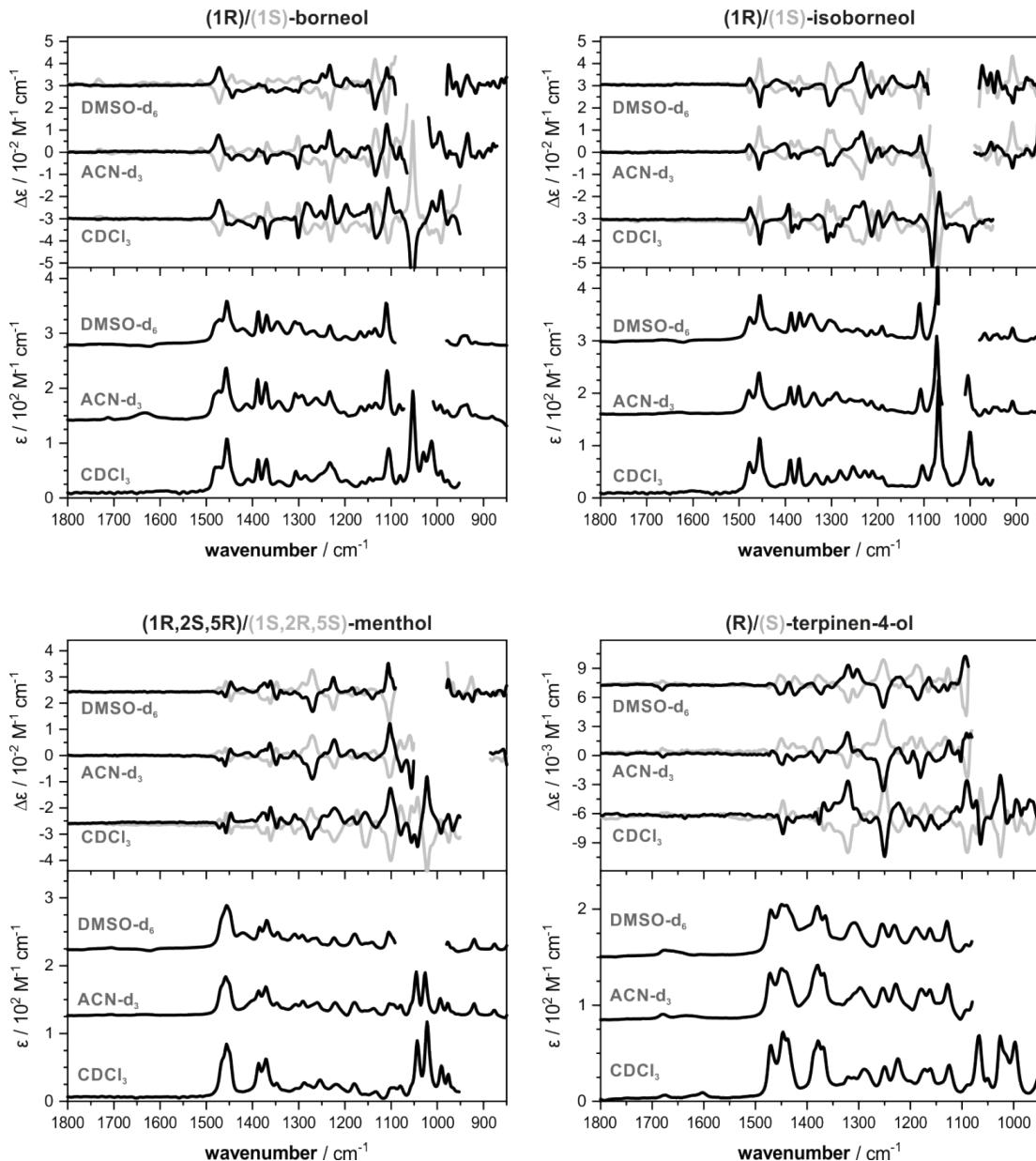


Figure S4. Experimental spectra of the enantiomers of borneol, isoborneol, menthol and terpinen-4-ol. The enantiomers of the other alcohols were not available.

2. Conformational analysis of neomenthol

Table S4. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the conformers of **neomenthol** solvated with the IEFPCM of **DMSO**.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]	α_{OH} [deg]	α_{iPr} [deg]
neomenthol-c1	0.00	0.00	36.5	40.8	179.8	176.0
neomenthol-c2	0.19	0.33	26.5	23.3	-60.6	177.4
neomenthol-c3	0.31	0.29	21.5	25.1	62.6	176.7
neomenthol-c4	1.24	1.53	4.5	3.1	178.6	-78.7
neomenthol-c5	1.56	1.75	2.6	2.1	64.7	-78.4
neomenthol-c6	1.56	1.80	2.6	2.0	-71.1	-82.0
neomenthol-c7	1.57	1.90	2.6	1.7	176.6	55.4
neomenthol-c8	1.83	2.14	1.7	1.1	58.1	56.1
neomenthol-c9	1.90	2.28	1.5	0.9	-60.9	62.9

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -468.211562$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -468.249376$ hartree.

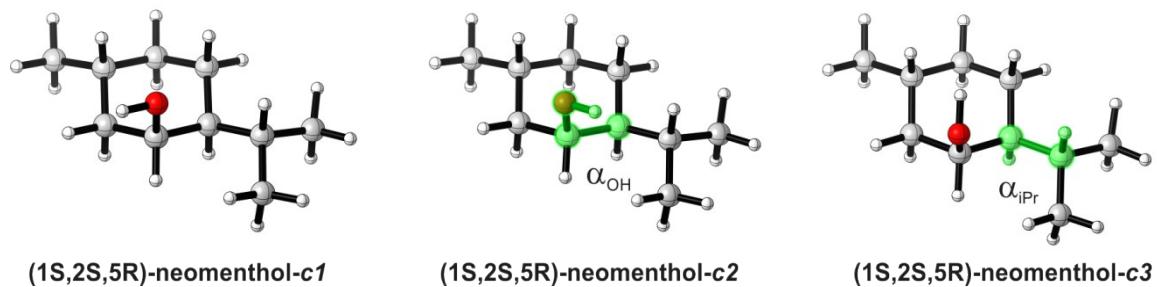


Figure S5. Conformers of (1S,2S,5R)-neomenthol and torsional angle definition.

Table S5. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the conformers of **neomenthol explicitly solvated** with one molecule of **DMSO-d₆** and implicitly by its IEFPCM.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
neomenthol-c1···(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	0.00	0.00	33.1	53.0
neomenthol-c1···(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	0.21	0.33	23.3	30.2
neomenthol-c2···(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	0.58	1.19	12.5	7.1
neomenthol-c2···(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	0.77	1.82	9.0	2.4
neomenthol-c3···(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	1.25	2.06	4.0	1.6
neomenthol-c4···(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	1.35	2.27	3.4	1.1
neomenthol-c4···(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	1.54	2.87	2.5	0.4
neomenthol-c3···(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	1.55	2.57	2.4	0.7
neomenthol-c6···(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	1.68	2.76	2.0	0.5
neomenthol-c7···(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	1.69	2.74	1.9	0.5
neomenthol-c9···(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	1.76	2.84	1.7	0.4
neomenthol-c7···(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	1.82	2.43	1.5	0.9
neomenthol-c6···(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	1.87	3.06	1.4	0.3
neomenthol-c9···(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	1.88	2.47	1.4	0.8
neomenthol-c5···(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	2.64	3.76	0.4	0.1
neomenthol-c5···(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	2.87	4.42	0.3	0.0
neomenthol-c8···(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	2.97	4.37	0.2	0.0
neomenthol-c8···(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	3.15	4.60	0.2	0.0

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -1021.456372$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -1021.510299$ hartree.

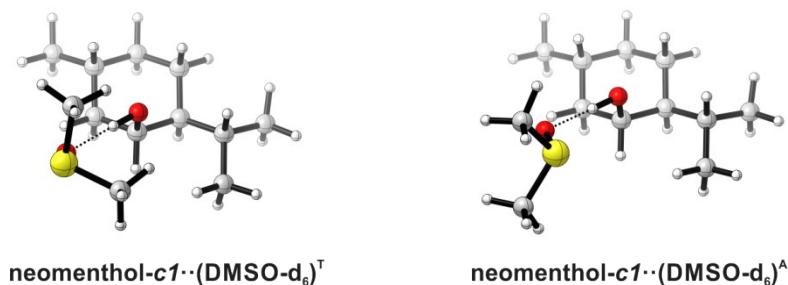


Figure S6. Structures of the DMSO-solvated conformer *c1* of neomenthol. The difference between the two structures is the relative orientation of the DMSO molecule: Methyl groups are pointing towards (T) or away (A) from the molecule.

Table S6. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the conformers of **neomenthol** solvated with the IEFPCM of **acetonitrile**.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
neomenthol-c1	0.00	0.00	36.5	40.7
neomenthol-c2	0.19	0.33	26.5	23.2
neomenthol-c3	0.31	0.28	21.5	25.3
neomenthol-c4	1.24	1.53	4.5	3.1
neomenthol-c5	1.56	1.75	2.6	2.1
neomenthol-c6	1.56	1.79	2.6	2.0
neomenthol-c7	1.57	1.90	2.6	1.6
neomenthol-c8	1.83	2.14	1.7	1.1
neomenthol-c9	1.90	2.29	1.5	0.9

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -468.211497$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -468.249312$ hartree.

Table S7. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the conformers of **neomenthol explicitly solvated** with one molecule of **acetonitrile-d₃** and implicitly by its IEFPCM.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
neomenthol-c1··(ACN-d ₃)	0.00	0.00	50.9	57.2
neomenthol-c2··(ACN-d ₃)	0.53	0.70	20.7	17.7
neomenthol-c3··(ACN-d ₃)	1.00	1.34	9.3	6.0
neomenthol-c4··(ACN-d ₃)	1.20	1.09	6.7	9.0
neomenthol-c9··(ACN-d ₃)	1.57	1.66	3.6	3.5
neomenthol-c7··(ACN-d ₃)	1.58	1.90	3.5	2.3
neomenthol-c6··(ACN-d ₃)	1.59	1.66	3.5	3.5
neomenthol-c5··(ACN-d ₃)	2.26	2.74	1.1	0.6
neomenthol-c8··(ACN-d ₃)	2.57	3.21	0.7	0.3

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -600.986709$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -601.037189$ hartree.

Table S8. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the conformers of **neomenthol** solvated with the IEFPCM of **chloroform**.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
neomenthol-c1	0.00	0.00	36.8	39.1
neomenthol-c2	0.20	0.32	26.5	22.9
neomenthol-c3	0.34	0.21	20.7	27.6
neomenthol-c4	1.19	1.50	4.9	3.1
neomenthol-c7	1.53	1.88	2.8	1.6
neomenthol-c6	1.56	1.77	2.6	2.0
neomenthol-c5	1.58	1.76	2.5	2.0
neomenthol-c8	1.85	2.16	1.6	1.0
neomenthol-c9	1.92	2.31	1.4	0.8

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -468.210028$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -468.247834$ hartree.

Table S9. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the **dimers of neomenthol** solvated with the IEFPCM of **chloroform**. Only dimers build based on the three lowest energy conformers are considered.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
neomenthol-(c1···c3)	0.00	0.07	31.0	24.4
neomenthol-(c1···c2)	0.26	0.00	19.9	27.5
neomenthol-(c1···c1)	0.47	0.50	14.0	11.9
neomenthol-(c2···c2)	0.55	0.22	12.3	19.1
neomenthol-(c2···c3)	0.70	0.55	9.4	10.9
neomenthol-(c3···c3)	1.00	1.55	5.8	2.0
neomenthol-(c2···c1)	1.30	1.47	3.4	2.3
neomenthol-(c2···c3)	1.42	1.79	2.8	1.3
neomenthol-(c3···c3)	1.86	2.23	1.3	0.6

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -936.424386$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -936.484766$ hartree.

3. Conformational analysis of menthol

Table S10. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the conformers of **menthol** solvated with the IEFPCM of **DMSO**.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]	α_{OH} [deg]	α_{iPr} [deg]
menthol-c1	0.00	0.00	32.8	35.1	-64.2	-67.4
menthol-c2	0.04	0.08	30.8	30.9	-178.1	-65.9
menthol-c3	0.15	0.18	25.6	25.8	68.2	-65.7
menthol-c4	1.22	1.38	4.2	3.4	-62.3	79.1
menthol-c5	1.25	1.52	4.0	2.7	-178.7	79.9
menthol-c6	1.79	1.96	1.6	1.3	71.3	80.4
menthol-c7	2.66	2.86	0.4	0.3	-179.8	-150.4
menthol-c8	2.71	2.84	0.3	0.3	-69.3	-152.3
menthol-c9	2.97	3.05	0.2	0.2	64.1	158.9

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -468.213208$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -468.25096$ hartree.



Figure S7. Conformers of (1R,2S,5R)- menthol and torsional angle definition.

Table S11. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the conformers of **menthol explicitly solvated** with one molecule of **DMSO-d₆** and implicitly by its IEFPCM.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
menthol-c2··(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	0.00	0.18	24.93	21.06
menthol-c2··(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	0.19	0.00	18.18	28.70
menthol-c1··(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	0.37	0.50	13.34	12.24
menthol-c3··(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	0.37	0.50	13.34	12.33
menthol-c3··(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	0.39	0.31	12.94	17.10
menthol-c1··(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	0.55	0.98	9.88	5.45
menthol-c5··(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	1.34	1.86	2.59	1.24
menthol-c5··(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	1.59	2.25	1.70	0.65
menthol-c4··(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	1.80	2.65	1.19	0.33
menthol-c4··(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	1.99	2.49	0.87	0.43
menthol-c7··(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	2.63	4.07	0.29	0.03
menthol-c7··(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	2.67	3.07	0.27	0.16
menthol-c8··(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	3.07	3.47	0.14	0.08
menthol-c9··(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	3.08	3.29	0.14	0.11
menthol-c9··(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	3.23	3.71	0.11	0.05
menthol-c8··(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	3.39	4.24	0.08	0.02

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -1021.458018$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -1021.510874$ hartree.

Table S12. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the conformers of **menthol** solvated with the IEFPCM of **acetonitrile**.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
menthol-c1	0.00	0.00	32.7	34.9
menthol-c2	0.03	0.07	31.0	31.1
menthol-c3	0.15	0.18	25.6	25.8
menthol-c4	1.22	1.37	4.2	3.4
menthol-c5	1.24	1.50	4.0	2.8
menthol-c6	1.79	1.95	1.6	1.3
menthol-c7	2.65	2.85	0.4	0.3
menthol-c8	2.71	2.83	0.3	0.3
menthol-c9	2.97	3.04	0.2	0.2

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -468.213136$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -468.250881$ hartree.

Table S13. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the conformers of **menthol explicitly solvated** with one molecule of **acetonitrile-d₃** and implicitly by its IEFPCM.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
menthol-c2··(ACN-d ₃)	0.00	0.00	39.2	44.0
menthol-c3··(ACN-d ₃)	0.20	0.33	27.9	25.2
menthol-c1··(ACN-d ₃)	0.27	0.43	24.7	21.4
menthol-c5··(ACN-d ₃)	1.26	1.19	4.7	5.9
menthol-c4··(ACN-d ₃)	1.63	1.72	2.5	2.4
menthol-c7··(ACN-d ₃)	2.64	2.90	0.5	0.3
menthol-c8··(ACN-d ₃)	2.89	2.79	0.3	0.4
menthol-c9··(ACN-d ₃)	2.95	2.83	0.3	0.4

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -600.986709$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -601.037189$ hartree.

Table S14. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the conformers of **menthol** solvated with the IEFPCM of **chloroform**.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
menthol-c2	0.00	0.00	33.6	35.9
menthol-c1	0.03	0.06	31.7	32.4
menthol-c3	0.22	0.28	23.0	22.4
menthol-c5	1.16	1.39	4.7	3.4
menthol-c4	1.21	1.40	4.4	3.4
menthol-c6	1.83	1.93	1.5	1.4
menthol-c7	2.58	2.79	0.4	0.3
menthol-c8	2.61	2.40	0.4	0.6
menthol-c9	2.97	3.04	0.2	0.2

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -468.211550$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -468.249284$ hartree.

Table S15. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the **dimers of menthol** solvated with the IEFPCM of **chloroform**. Only dimers build based on the three lowest energy conformers are considered.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
menthol-(c2···c1)	0.00	0.40	25.1	12.2
menthol-(c1···c1)	0.29	0.07	15.3	21.3
menthol-(c3···c1)	0.36	0.00	13.6	23.9
menthol-(c2···c3)	0.40	0.91	12.7	5.1
menthol-(c2···c2)	0.43	0.30	12.1	14.3
menthol-(c3···c2)	0.61	0.49	8.9	10.4
menthol-(c1···c2)	0.81	0.56	6.4	9.3
menthol-(c1···c3)	0.87	1.15	5.7	3.4
menthol-(c3···c3)	0.90	1.58	5.5	1.6

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -936.428049$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -936.488877$ hartree.

4. Conformational analysis of borneol

Table S16. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations of the conformers of **borneol** solvated with in the IEFPCM of **DMSO**.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
borneol-c1 (gauche -)	0.00	0.00	44.5	42.4
borneol-c2 (trans)	0.23	0.15	30.1	32.9
borneol-c3 (gauche +)	0.33	0.32	25.5	24.7

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -467.002864$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -467.037716$ hartree.

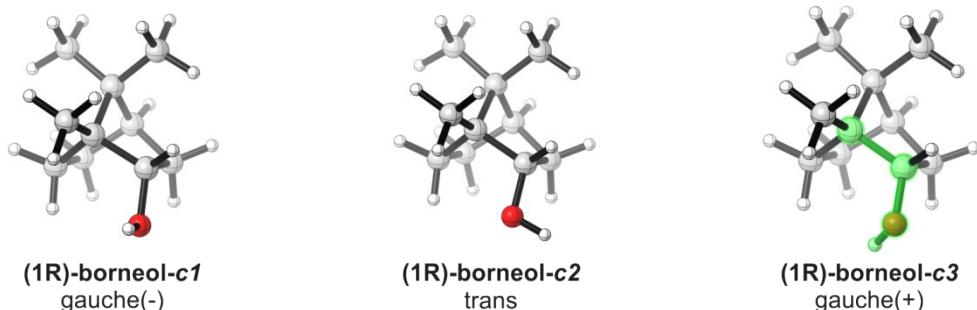


Figure S8. Conformers of (1R,2S)-borneol. The torsional angle C_Q-C^*-O-H , which is used to differentiate the conformers, is highlighted for borneol-c3.

Table S17. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations of the conformers of **borneol explicitly solvated** with one molecule of **DMSO-d₆** and implicitly by its IEFPCM.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
borneol-c1···(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	0.19	0.20	21.2	22.6
borneol-c1···(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	0.00	0.24	29.2	21.0
borneol-c2···(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	0.25	0.00	19.1	31.7
borneol-c2···(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	0.15	0.23	22.7	21.6
borneol-c3···(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	1.29	3.45	3.3	0.1
borneol-c3···(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	1.11	1.39	4.5	3.0

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -1020.247645$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -1020.298426$ hartree.

Table S18. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations of the conformers of **borneol** solvated with the IEFPCM of **acetonitrile**.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
borneol-c1	0.00	0.00	44.3	42.1
borneol-c2	0.23	0.14	30.3	33.2
borneol-c3	0.33	0.31	25.4	24.7

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -467.002793$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -467.037641$ hartree.

Table S19. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations of the conformers of **borneol explicitly solvated** with one molecule of **acetonitrile-d₃** and implicitly by its IEFPCM.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
borneol-c1··(ACN-d ₃)	0.00	0.63	47.1	22.1
borneol-c2··(ACN-d ₃)	0.07	0.00	41.8	63.9
borneol-c3··(ACN-d ₃)	0.86	0.90	11.1	13.9

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -599.778254$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -599.826429$ hartree.

Table S20. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations of the conformers of **borneol** solvated with in the IEFPCM of **chloroform**.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
borneol-c1	0.00	0.00	43.3	39.2
borneol-c2	0.16	0.03	33.2	37.2
borneol-c3	0.36	0.30	23.5	23.6

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -467.001217$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -467.036017$ hartree.

Table S21. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations of the **dimers of borneol** solvated with in the IEFPCM of **chloroform**.

conformer (D···A)	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
borneol-(c1···c1)	0.17	0.14	18.4	21.4
borneol-(c1···c2)	0.59	0.71	9.0	8.2
borneol-(c1···c3)	0.23	0.53	16.6	11.0
borneol-(c2···c1)	0.00	0.00	24.3	27.0
borneol-(c2···c2)	0.77	0.67	6.7	8.7
borneol-(c2···c3)	0.25	0.27	16.1	17.2
borneol-(c3···c1)	1.15	1.80	3.5	1.3
borneol-(c3···c2)	1.78	2.48	1.2	0.4
borneol-(c3···c3)	1.02	1.02	4.3	4.8

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -934.006835$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -934.062585$ hartree.

5. Conformational analysis of isoborneol

Table S22. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the conformers of **isoborneol** solvated with in the IEFPCM of **DMSO**.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
isoborneol-c1 (gauche +)	0.00	0.00	69.0	68.1
isoborneol-c2 (trans)	0.69	0.62	21.6	23.8
isoborneol-c3 (gauche -)	1.18	1.26	9.3	8.1

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -467.002486$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -467.037312$ hartree.

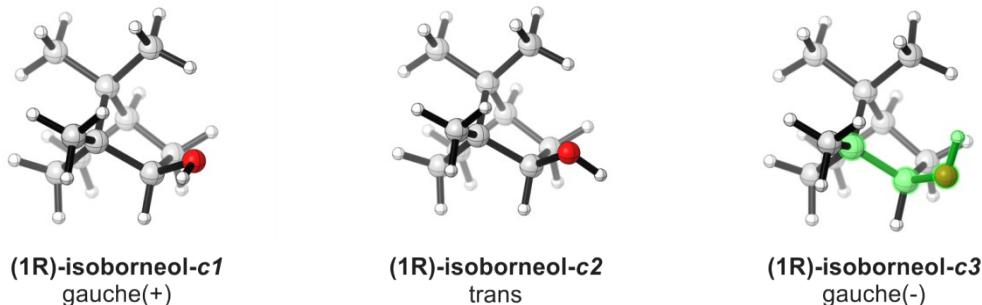


Figure S9. Conformers of (1R,2R)-isoborneol. The torsional angle C_Q-C^*-O-H , which is used to differentiate the conformers, is highlighted for isoborneol-c3.

Table S23. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the conformers of **isoborneol explicitly solvated** with one molecule of **DMSO-d₆** and implicitly by its IEFPCM.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
isoborneol-c1···(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	0.00	0.00	64.9	37.5
isoborneol-c1···(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	1.14	0.40	9.4	19.2
isoborneol-c2···(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	0.70	0.47	20.1	16.9
isoborneol-c2···(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	1.86	0.33	2.8	21.4
isoborneol-c3···(DMSO-d ₆) ^T	1.87	1.18	2.8	5.1
isoborneol-c3···(DMSO-d ₆) ^A	4.11	5.09	0.1	0.0

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -1020.003261$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -1020.051375$ hartree.

Table S24. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the conformers of **isoborneol** solvated with in the IEFPCM of **acetonitrile**.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
isoborneol-c1	0.00	0.00	69.1	68.3
isoborneol-c2	0.69	0.63	21.6	23.7
isoborneol-c3	1.19	1.26	9.3	8.0

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -467.002423$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -467.037248$ hartree.

Table S25. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the conformers of **isoborneol explicitly solvated** with one molecule of **acetonitrile-d₃** and implicitly by its IEFPCM.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
isoborneol-c1··(ACN-d ₃)	0.00	0.20	52.9	32.7
isoborneol-c2··(ACN-d ₃)	0.47	0.00	24.0	46.2
isoborneol-c3··(ACN-d ₃)	0.49	0.46	23.2	21.1

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -599.777611$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -599.824916$ hartree.

Table S26. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the conformers of **isoborneol** solvated with in the IEFPCM of **chloroform**.

conformer	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
isoborneol-c1	0.00	0.00	70.3	69.3
isoborneol-c2	0.70	0.65	21.4	23.2
isoborneol-c3	1.27	1.32	8.3	7.5

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -467.000972$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -467.035766$ hartree.

Table S27. Relative zero-point corrected and Gibbs Free Energies, ΔE_{ZPC} and ΔG_{298K} , and the corresponding Boltzmann populations for the **dimers of isoborneol** solvated with in the IEFPCM of **chloroform**.

Conformer (D···A)	ΔE_{ZPC} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	ΔG_{298K} [kcal mol ⁻¹]	pop- ΔE_{ZPC} [%]	pop- ΔG_{298K} [%]
isoborneol-(c1···c1)	0.04	0.24	32.5	20.9
isoborneol-(c1···c2)	1.35	2.05	3.6	1.0
isoborneol-(c1···c3)	0.96	0.58	6.9	11.9
isoborneol-(c2···c1)	0.63	0.44	12.0	15.1
isoborneol-(c2···c2)	1.92	1.50	1.4	2.5
isoborneol-(c2···c3)	1.47	0.97	2.9	6.1
isoborneol-(c3···c1)	0.00	0.00	34.9	31.6
isoborneol-(c3···c2)	1.52	1.67	2.7	1.9
isoborneol-(c3···c3)	1.43	0.74	3.1	9.0

^{a)} referenced to $E_{ZPC} = -934.00639$ hartree and $G_{298K} = -934.061331$ hartree.

6. Cartesian coordinates of selected structure

neomenthol-c1

C	0.05406900	-1.30985000	0.51687600
C	-0.71893000	-0.22479300	-0.25688700
C	0.02908800	1.11734600	-0.18002500
C	1.49459900	0.98499200	-0.60589300
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C	1.51501500	-1.42597500	0.06730000
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H	0.39040300	2.45518600	1.21763500

neomenthol-c2

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neomenthol-*c*1···(ACN-d₃)

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neomenthol-*c*1···(DMSO-d₆)^A

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C	-3.21477000	1.55759600	-0.38209200
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O	-0.02436400	-0.09576000	-0.65932800
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H (Iso=2)	5.00962400	0.73343500	1.46992500
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H (Iso=2)	5.73201900	-0.37482000	-1.41999200
H (Iso=2)	4.38371400	0.37005900	-2.32147600
H (Iso=2)	5.19011600	1.29187000	-1.01166900
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S	3.67516100	-0.38557000	-0.18888100

neomenthol-*c*1···(DMSO-d₆)^T

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C	1.10630700	1.45995700	-1.01539800
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H	3.50113900	2.09161500	1.40005000
H	0.45494700	-0.51219400	-1.52594500
C	2.05415000	3.70877600	-0.33439800
H	1.13390000	4.21798100	-0.63444200
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H	2.74122900	3.73444100	-1.18652200
C	1.89886300	-2.20139900	0.20313300
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H (Iso=2)	-4.89499900	-1.93742600	0.18491800
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H (Iso=2)	-3.11942500	-1.86439900	0.46394300
O	-2.62330100	0.72788200	-0.65451000
S	-4.02039100	0.24773700	-0.26449500