Selective modification of hydroxyl groups in lignin model compounds by rutheniumcatalyzed transfer hydrogenation

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General considerations

All chemicals were purchased from TCI, ACBR or Sigma-Aldrich and used without further purification unless otherwise indicated. For reactions under protective atmosphere, solvents and liquid reagents used in the experiments involving glass reactors were dried and degassed and stored in a glovebox. The NMR spectra were recorded using 500 and 600 MHz NMR spectrometers. The measured NMR spectra were calibrated against the residual solvent signal as internal standard. The NMR signals assignments were based on 2D NMR (NOESY, DEPT, COSY, HSQC and HMBC). High resolution mass spectroscopy (HRMS) was carried out on a micrOTOF spectrometer (Electrospray (ESI)) with a time of flight (TOF) mass analyzer. The product distribution was monitored by both GC/MS and GC/FID. The GC/MS instrument was equipped with an MS detector (EI), HP-5MS column ($30m \times 250 \ \mum \times 0.25 \ \mum$) using He as the carrier gas with the following temperature program: injector 250 °C, oven Tinitial = 50 °C (4 min), rate 10 °C/min, Tfinal=300 °C, hold 5 min; The GC/FID instrument was equipped with HP-1 column ($30m \times 320 \ \mum \times 0.25 \ \mum$), and He as the carrier gas, using the following temperature program: injector 220 °C, oven T initial = 50 °C (2 min), rate 10 °C/min, Tfinal = 300 °C, hold 2 min. Flash column chromatography was carried out on automated purification system using pre-packed columns with 20-40 µm particle size.

All intermediates and the lignin model compounds were synthesized from substituted acetophenones according to literature procedures.¹ All new intermediates (**20-27**) from the synthesis of the monomeric compounds were characterized by NMR spectroscopy and high resolution mass spectroscopy. In order to simplify the assignment of the NMR spectra in the experimental descriptions, the atoms in lignin-type compounds were numbered following standard practices for lignin derivatives.²



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Ethyl 3-(4-(benzyloxy)-3-methoxyphenyl)-2-(4-methoxyphenoxy)-3-oxopropanoate (20)



Ethyl 3-(4-(benzyloxy)-3-methoxyphenyl)-2-bromo-3-oxopropanoate (7.0 g, 0.017 mole) was dissolved in acetone (50 mL) and to this K_2CO_3 (2.5 g, 0.018 mole) and 4-methoxyphenol (2.3 g, 0.018 mole) were added. The reaction mixture was allowed to reflux. After two hours, the reaction mixture was cooled down to room temperature. Water was added to the reaction mixture

and the acetone was evaporated under vacuum. The water suspension was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 30 mL). Organic fractions were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated. The resulting oil was purified by flash chromatography (hexane : ethyl acetate) and dried under vacuum. Yield: 3.8 g, 50%.

1-(4-(benzyloxy)-3-methoxyphenyl)-2-(4-methoxyphenoxy)propane-1,3-diol (21)



Compound **20** (3.8 g, 8 mmol) was dissolved in a mixture of $CHCI_3$ (6 mL) and MeOH (3 mL). NaBH₄ (0.32 g, 8 mmol) was added to the solution in small portions. The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. Next, unreacted NaBH₄ was quenched with water (5 ml) and the solvents were removed under vacuum. The mixture was extracted with dichloromethane (3 x

10). Organic fractions were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated. The resulting oil was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate) and dried under vacuum. Yield: 2.2 g, 64%.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz): δ_{H} 7.32-7.37 (2H, m, H2^{''} and H6^{''}), 7.26-7.32 (2H, m, H3^{''} and H5^{''}), 7.20-7.26 (1H, m, H4^{''}), 6.87-6.92 (1H, br, H2), 6.75-6.96 (2H, m, H5 and H6), 6.67-6.75 (4H, H2['], H3['], H5['] and H6[']) 5.03-5.09 (2H, multiple overlapping singlets 7^{''} from diastereoisomers), 4.86-4.94 (1H, m, Hα), 4.10-4.17 (1H, m, Hβ), 3.78-3.79 (3H, multiple overlapping singlets OCH₃ from diastereoisomers), 3.71-3.87 (2H, m, <u>H2</u>₂γ), 3.65-3.70 (3H, multiple overlapping singlets OCH₃ from diastereoisomers), 2.75-2.94 (1H, br, OHα), 2.20-2.38 (1H, br, OHβ). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ_{C} 154.80 (C4[']), 151.69 (C1[']), 149.78 (C3), 147.83 (C4), 137.08 (C1^{''}), 133.64, 133.59 (C1), 128.56, 128.48 (C3^{''} and C5^{''}), 127.87 (C4^{''}), 127.27 (C2^{''} and C6^{''}), 118.59 (C6), 118.35, 118.14 (C2['] and C6[']), 114.83, 114.74 (C3['] and C5^{''}), 113.99 (C5), 110.04 (C2), 83.51 (Cβ), 73.87 (Cα), 71.10 (C7^{''}), 61.40 (Cγ), 56.09 (OCH₃3), 55.68 (OCH₃4[']). [M+Na]⁺ calculated 433.1627 found 433.1604.

Ethyl 3-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-2-(4-methoxyphenoxy)-3-oxopropanoate (23)



Compound **22** was dissolved in acetone (100 mL) and K_2CO_3 (5.15 g, 0.037 mole) and 4-methoxyphenol (4.62 g, 0.037 mole) were added to this solution. The reaction mixture was allowed to reflux. After two hours, the reaction mixture was allowed to cool down to room temperature. Next, water was added to the reaction mixture and the acetone was evaporated under vacuum. The water suspension was extracted with

EtOAc ($3 \times 30 \text{ mL}$). Organic fractions were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated. The resulting oil was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate) and dried under vacuum. Yield: 13.8 g, 98%.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz): δ_{H} 7.71-7.80 (1H, dd, J = 2.15 Hz, 8.61 Hz), 7.54-7.57 (1H, d, J=2.10 Hz), 6.65-6.87 (5H, m), 5.54 (1H, s), 4.17-4.25 (2H, q, J = 7.20 Hz), 3.88 (3H, s), 3.84 (3H, s), 3.68 (3H, s), 1.17 (3H, t, J = 7.18). The obtained NMR spectrum is consistent with the literature.³

Ethyl 2-bromo-3-oxo-3-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)propanoate (24)

$$H_{3}CO \xrightarrow{3}{}^{2} \xrightarrow{\beta}{}^{\beta} \xrightarrow{\gamma} OCH_{2}C$$

$$H_{3}CO \xrightarrow{4}{}^{5} \xrightarrow{6} Br$$

$$OCH_{3}$$

Ethyl 3-oxo-3-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)propanoate (2.8 g, 0.01 mole) was dissolved in
 ethyl acetate (50 mL). To this, Amberlyst 15 (1g) and *N*-bromosuccineimide (2 g, 0.01 mole) were added. The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at 90 °C. Next, the reaction mixture was filtered, washed with saturated Na₂CO₃ (2 x 30 mL) and water (30mL). The

¹H NMR (CDCl₃ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz): δ_{H} 7.20 (2H, s, H2 and H6), 5.54 (1H, s, H β), 4.18-4.25 (2H, q, J=7.23 Hz, OCH₂CH₃ γ), 3.87 (3H, s, OCH₃4), 3.84 (6H, s, OCH₃4 and OCH₃5), 1.17-1.22 (1H, t, J=7.18 Hz, OCH₂CH₃ γ). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): 186.86 (C α), 165.27 (C γ), 153.17 (C3 and C5), 143.72 (C4), 128.21 (C1), 106.88 (C2 and C6), 63.37 (OCH₂CH₃ γ), 61.04 (OCH₃4), 56.37 (OCH₃3 and OCH₃5), 46.61 (C β), 13.94 (OCH₂CH₃ γ). [M+Na]⁺ calculated 383.0106 found 383.0081.

organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄, evaporated and the resulting oil was dried under vacuum. Yield: 3.5 g, 96%.

Ethyl 2-(4-methoxyphenoxy)-3-oxo-3-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)propanoate (25)



Compound **24** (3.5 g, 0.01 mole) was dissolved in acetone (50 mL) and to this K_2CO_3 (1.38 g, 0.01 mole) and 4-methoxyphenol (1.24 g, 0.01 mole) were added. The reaction mixture was allowed to reflux. After two hours, the reaction mixture was allowed to cool down to room temperature. Water was added to the reaction mixture and the

acetone was evaporated under vacuum. The water suspension was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 30 mL). The organic fractions were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated. The resulting oil was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate) and dried under vacuum. ¹H NMR-purity 87%. Yield: 2.3 g, 57%.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz): δ_{H} 7.35 (2H, s, H2 and H6), 6.82-6.88 (2H, m, H2' and H6'), 6.70-6.77 (2H, m, H3' and H5'), 5.52 (1H, s, H β), 4.18-4.27 (2H, m, OCH₂CH₃ γ), 3.86 (3H, s, OCH₃4), 3.81 (6H, s, OCH₃3 and OCH₃5), 3.67 (3H, s, OCH₃4'), 1.17 (3H, m, OCH₂CH₃ γ). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): 190.29 (C α), 166.99 (C γ), 155.17 (C4'), 153.02 (C3 and C5), 150.99 (C1'), 143.50 (C4), 128.68 (C1), 116.84 (C2'and C6'), 114.82 (C3'and C5'), 107.13 (C2 and C6), 82.75 (C β), 62.42 (OCH₂CH₃ γ), 60.99 (OCH₃4), 56.24 (OCH₃3 and OCH₃5), 55.64 (OCH₃4'), 14.07 (OCH₂CH₃ γ). [M+Na]⁺ calculated 427.1363 found 427.1332.

5-5-Bis-Ethyl 3-(4-(benzyloxy)-3-methoxyphenyl)-2-(4-methoxyphenoxy)-3-oxopropanoate (26)



5-5-Bis-Ethyl 3-(4-(benzyloxy)-3-methoxyphenyl)-2-bromo-3-oxopropanoate (4.0 g, 0.005 mole) was dissolved in acetone (50mL) and to this K₂CO₃ (1.22 g, 0.01 mole) and 4-methoxyphenol (1.36 g, 0.01 mole) were added. The reaction mixture was allowed to reflux. After two hours, the reaction mixture was allowed to cool down to room temperature. Water was added to the reaction mixture and the acetone was evaporated under vacuum. The water suspension was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 30 mL). The organic fractions were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated. The resulting oil was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate) and dried under vacuum. Yield: 4.2 g, 93%.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz): $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.60-7.75 (2H, m, H2), 7.47-7.59 (2H, m, H6), 6.80 - 7.15 (10H, m, H2΄, H3΄, H4΄ H5΄ and H6΄), 6.75-6.83 (4H, m, H2΄ and H3΄), 6.64-6.72 (4H, m, H3´and H5´), 5.50-5.57 (2H, m, Hβ), 4.75-4.84 (4H, m,

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H7^{''}), 4.08 - 4.22 (2H, m, OC<u>H₂</u>CH₃γ), 3.80-3.93 (6H, m, OC<u>H₃</u>3), 3.59-3.68 (6H, m, OC<u>H₃</u>4[']), 1.06-1.16 (6H, m, OCH₂C<u>H₃γ</u>). ¹³C (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ_{C} 190.26 (<u>Cα</u>), 166.85(<u>Cγ</u>), 155.11 (C4[']), 152.88 (C3), 151.20 (C4), 151.03 (C1[']), 137.14 (C1^{''}), 132.35 (C1), 129.21 (C5), 128.05, 127.84, 127.72 (C2^{''}, C3^{''}, C4^{''}, C5^{''} and C6^{''}), 125.70 (C6), 116.93 (C2[']and C6[']), 114.78 (C3[']and C5[']), 112.85 (C2), 82.19 (Cβ), 74.64 (C7^{''}), 62.32 (O<u>C</u>H₂CH₃γ), 56.11, 55.45 (O<u>C</u>H₃3), 55.61 (O<u>C</u>H₃4[']), 14.01 (OCH₂<u>C</u>H₃γ). Based on the NMR spectra, a diastereomeric mixture of products was formed. [M+Na]⁺ calculated 921.3093 found 921.3123.

5-5-Bis-1-(4-(benzyloxy)-3-methoxyphenyl)-2-(4-methoxyphenoxy)propane-1,3-diol (27)



Compound **26** (4.2 g, 0,0047 mole) was dissolved in a mixture of $CHCl_3$ (6mL) and MeOH (3 mL). Next, NaBH₄ (0.40 g, 0.010 mole) was added to the solution by small portions. The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. Then, unreacted NaBH₄ was quenched with water (5 mL) and the solvents were removed under vacuum. The mixture was extracted with dichloromethane (3 x 10 mL). The organic fractions were combined, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated. The resulting oil was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate) and dried under vacuum. Yield: 1.2 g, 32%.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz): δ_{H} 6.60 - 7.16 (22H, m, Ar), 4.84-4.92 (2H, m, Hα), 4.63-4.75 (4H, m, H7^{''}), 4.08 - 4.17 (2H, m, Hβ), 3.57-3.90 (4H, m, H₂γ), 3.81-3.83 (6H, m, OC<u>H₃</u>3), 3.65-3.69 (6H, m, OC<u>H₃</u>4'). ¹³C (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ_{C} 154.69 (C4'), 153.09 (C3), 151.58 (C1'), 145.27 (C4), 137.83 (C1^{''}), 135.68 (C1), 132.63, 132.69 (C5), 128.03,

127.86, 127.52 (C2'', C3'', C4'', C5'' and C6''), 121.39 (C6) 118.25, 118.10 (C2' and C6'), 114.75, 114.78 (C3' and C5'), 109.87 (C2), 83.01 (C β), 74.57, 74.52 (C7''), 73.90 (C α), 61.37 (C γ), 56.09 (OCH_33), 55.68 (OCH_34'). Note: According to the spectra, several diastereoisomers are formed. [M+Na]⁺ calculated 841.3194 found 841.3174.

^1H NMR spectrum of compound 9, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound **9**, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of compound 9, 298K, CDCl₃ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HSQC NMR spectrum of compound ${\bf 9},$ 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



COSY NMR spectrum of compound ${\bf 9},$ 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



^1H NMR spectrum of compound 9, 298K, acetone-d_6, 500 MHz



^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound **9**, 298K, acetone-d_6, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of compound 9, 298K, acetone-d₆, 500 MHz



HSQC NMR spectrum of compound **9**, 298K, acetone-d₆, 500 MHz



 ^1H NMR spectrum of compound 10, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^1H NMR spectrum of compound $\textbf{11}\text{, }298\text{K}\text{, }\text{CDCl}_3$ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound 11, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of compound 11, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HSQC NMR spectrum of compound 11, 298K, CDCl₃ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



COSY NMR spectrum of compound 11, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



^1H NMR spectrum of compound 12, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound 12, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of compound 12, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HSQC NMR spectrum of compound $12,\,298\text{K},\,\text{CDCl}_3$ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MH



COSY NMR spectrum of compound $\boldsymbol{12},$ 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^1H NMR spectrum of compound 13, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



^1H NMR spectrum of compound 14, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound 14, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of compound 14, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HSQC NMR spectrum of compound 14, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MH



COSY NMR spectrum of compound $14,\,298\text{K},\,\text{CDCl}_3$ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



^1H NMR spectrum of compound 14, 298K, acetone-d_6, 500 MHz



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound 14, 298K, acetone-d_6, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of compound $\mathbf{14},\,298K,\,acetone\text{-}d_6,\,500~\text{MHz}$



HSQC NMR spectrum of compound $\mathbf{14},$ 298K, acetone-d_6, 500 MHz



 ^1H NMR spectrum of compound 15, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound 15, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of compound $15,\,298K,\,CDCI_3$ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HSQC NMR spectrum of compound $15,\,298\text{K},\,\text{CDCl}_3$ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



COSY NMR spectrum of compound $15,\,298\text{K},\,\text{CDCl}_3$ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^1H NMR spectrum of compound 16, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound 16, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of compound 16, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HSQC NMR spectrum of compound 16, 298K, CDCI_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



COSY NMR spectrum of compound $\mathbf{16},$ 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^1H NMR spectrum of compound 17, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound 17, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of compound $17,\,298\text{K},\,\text{CDCl}_3$ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HSQC NMR spectrum of compound 17, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



COSY NMR spectrum of compound 17, 298K, CDCl₃ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



^1H NMR spectrum of compound 18, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^1H NMR spectrum of compound 19, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound 19, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz







HSQC NMR spectrum of compound $19,\,298\text{K},\,\text{CDCl}_3$ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



COSY NMR spectrum of compound 19, 298K, CDCl₃ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



^1H NMR spectrum of compound 20, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound 20, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of compound **20**, 298K, CDCl₃ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HSQC NMR spectrum of compound ${\bf 20},$ 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



COSY NMR spectrum of compound ${\bf 20},$ 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^1H NMR spectrum of compound **21**, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound 21, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of compound **21**, 298K, CDCl₃ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HSQC NMR spectrum of compound **21**, 298K, CDCl₃ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



COSY NMR spectrum of compound $\boldsymbol{21},$ 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



^1H NMR spectrum of compound 22, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



^1H NMR spectrum of compound 23, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



^1H NMR spectrum of compound 24, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound 24, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of compound 24, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HSQC NMR spectrum of compound 24, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



COSY NMR spectrum of compound 24, 298K, CDCl $_3$ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^1H NMR spectrum of compound 25, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound 25, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of compound $25,\,298K,\,CDCI_3$ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HSQC NMR spectrum of compound $25,\,298\text{K},\,\text{CDCl}_3$ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



COSY NMR spectrum of compound ${\bf 25},$ 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^1H NMR spectrum of compound 26, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound **26**, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of compound $\mathbf{26},$ 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HSQC NMR spectrum of compound 26, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



COSY NMR spectrum of compound $\mathbf{26},$ 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



^1H NMR spectrum of compound 27, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



^{13}C NMR spectrum of compound 27, 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of compound **27**, 298K, CDCl₃ with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HSQC NMR spectrum of compound $\boldsymbol{27},$ 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



COSY NMR spectrum of compound $\boldsymbol{27},$ 298K, CDCl3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



^1H NMR spectrum of extracted lignin, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HMBC NMR spectrum of extracted lignin, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



HSQC NMR spectrum of extracted lignin, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz



^1H NMR spectrum of modified lignin, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz

HMBC NMR spectrum of modified lignin, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz

HSQC NMR spectrum of modified lignin, 298K, CDCl_3 with 0.05% v/v TMS, 500 MHz

