

Electronic Supplementary Information for

Models of the putative antimony(V)-diolate motifs in antileishmanial pentavalent antimonial drugs

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Table S1. Refinement Details for the Crystal Structures of Sb(tol)₃ and [(tol)₃Sb(μ-C₄H₈O₂)₂O].

	Sb(tol)₃	[(tol)₃Sb(μ-C₄H₈O₂)₂O]
Formula	C ₂₁ H ₂₁ Sb	C ₃₆ H ₄₄ O ₅ Sb ₂
FW	395.13	800.21
T (K)	101.1(6)	102(2)
λ (Å)	1.54184	1.54184
Crystal System	Trigonal	Orthorhombic
Space group	<i>R</i> $\bar{3}$	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁
<i>a</i> (Å)	12.6758(3)	12.17550(10)
<i>b</i> (Å)		13.5809(2)
<i>c</i> (Å)	19.8058(4)	20.6690(3)
Volume (Å ³)	2755.96(14)	3417.71(8)
<i>Z</i>	6	4
ρ _{calc} (Mg/m ³)	1.428	1.555
Size (mm ³)	0.21×0.14×0.04	0.12×0.06×0.05
θ range (°)	4.605-67.036	3.895-67.684
Total data	6111	51012
Unique data	1099	7095
Parameters	68	397
Completeness	100.0%	100.0%
<i>R</i> _{int}	4.87%	5.45%
<i>R</i> ₁ (<i>I</i> > 2σ)	2.11%	3.25%
<i>R</i> ₁ (all data)	2.16%	3.39%
<i>wR</i> ₂ (<i>I</i> > 2σ)	5.41%	8.52%
<i>wR</i> ₂ (all data)	5.43%	8.64%
<i>S</i>	1.098	1.078
Flack <i>x</i>	—	-0.015(9)

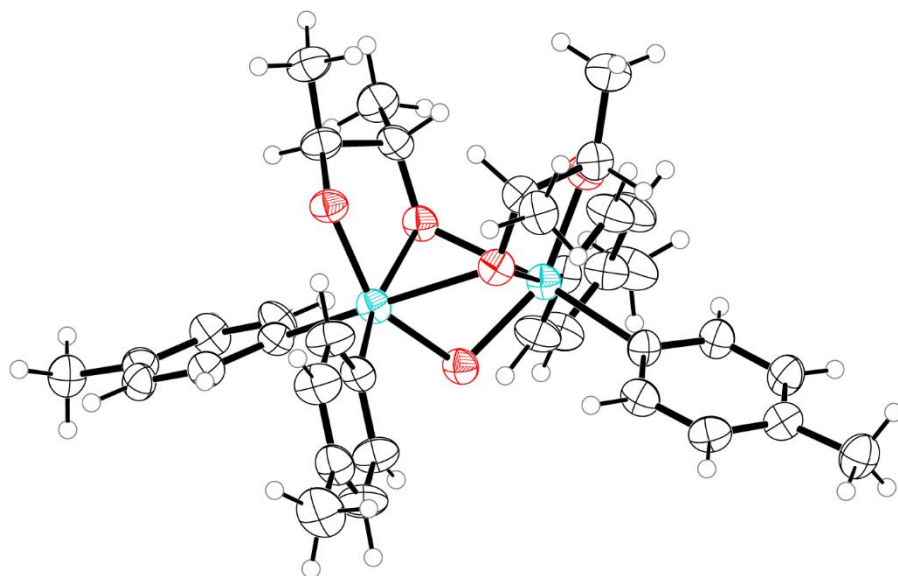


Figure S1. Thermal ellipsoid plot (50% probability, H atoms as spheres of arbitrary radius) of a hydrolysis decomposition product observed to form during the synthesis of butanediolate complexes. Color code: Sb teal, O red, C black, H white.

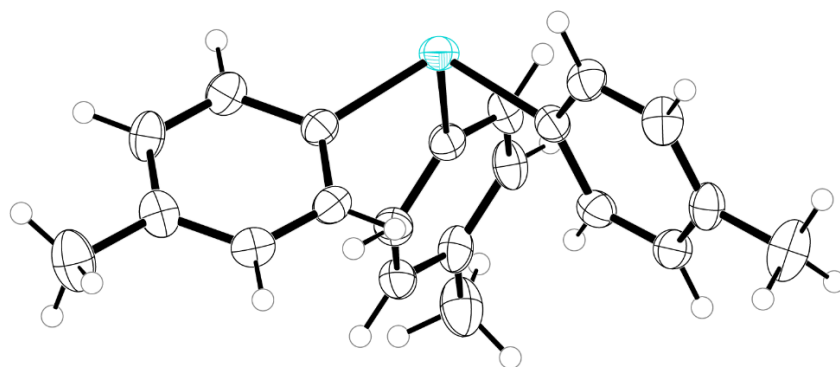


Figure S2. Thermal ellipsoid plot (50% probability, H atoms as spheres of arbitrary radius) of Sb(tol)₃. Color code: Sb teal, C black, H white.

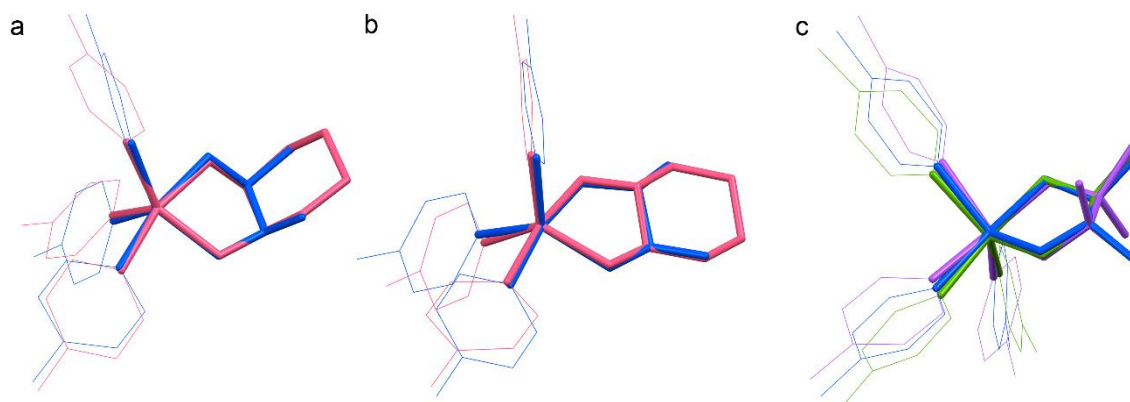


Figure S3. Overlays of: a) **2** (blue) and **3** (pink). b) **4** (blue) and **5** (pink). c) **1** (purple), **4** (blue), and **6** (green).

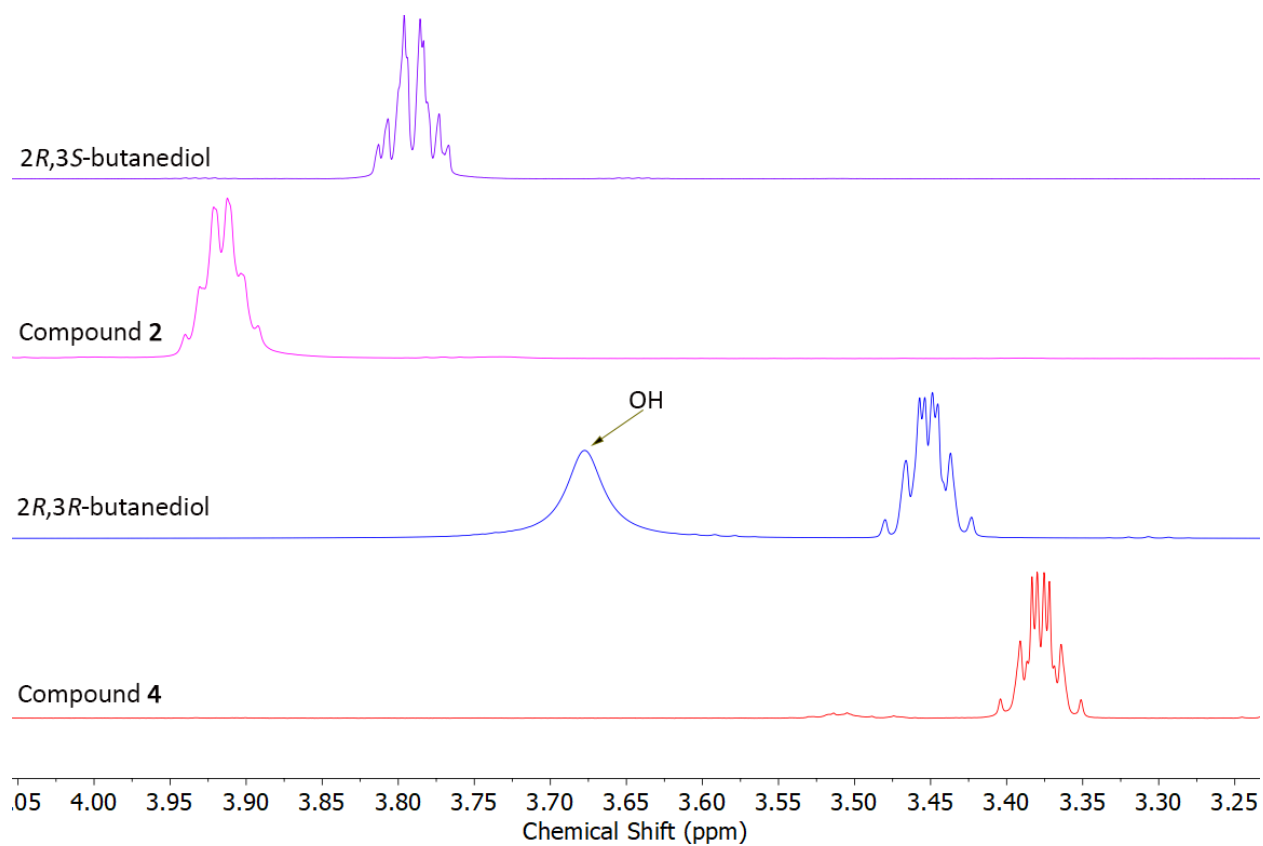


Figure S4. Stacked ^1H NMR spectra showing shift in backbone CH resonances. Color code: unbound $2R,3S$ -butanediol purple, compound **2** pink, unbound $2R,3R$ -butanediol blue, compound **4** red.

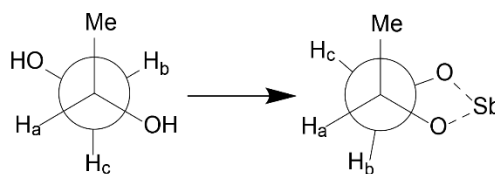
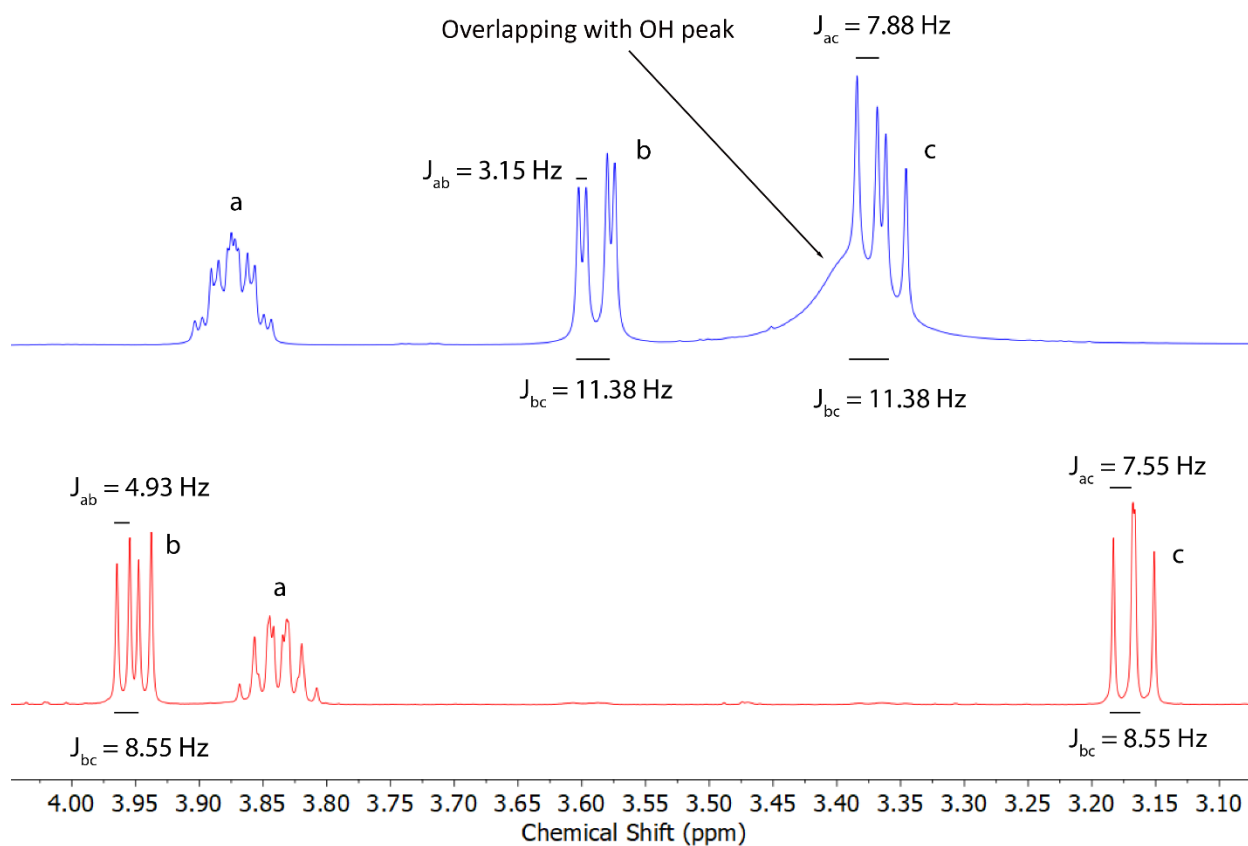


Figure S5. *Top (blue):* ^1H NMR spectrum of free (*S*)-1,2-propanediol. Peaks are arbitrarily labeled based on the labelling scheme used for the Newman projections. *Middle (red):* ^1H NMR spectrum of **6**. *Bottom:* Newman projections displaying conformational change of (*S*)-1,2-propanediol upon binding to Sb.

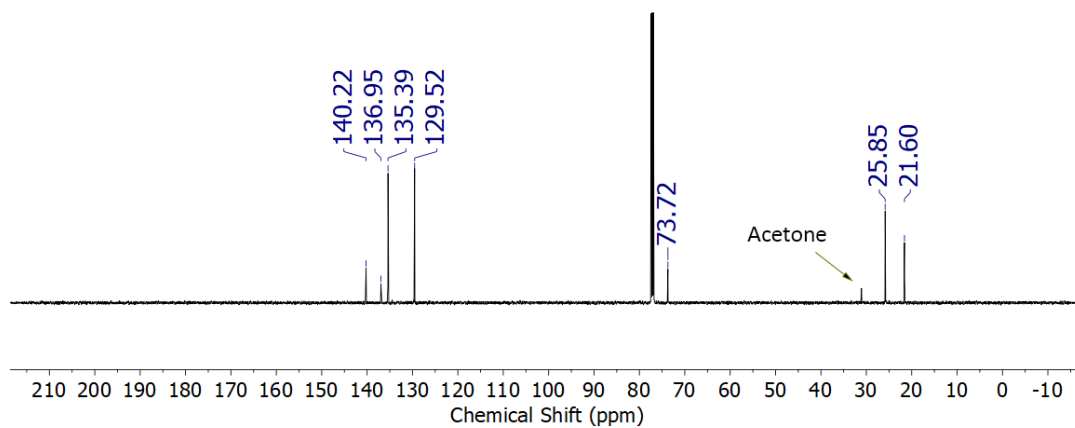
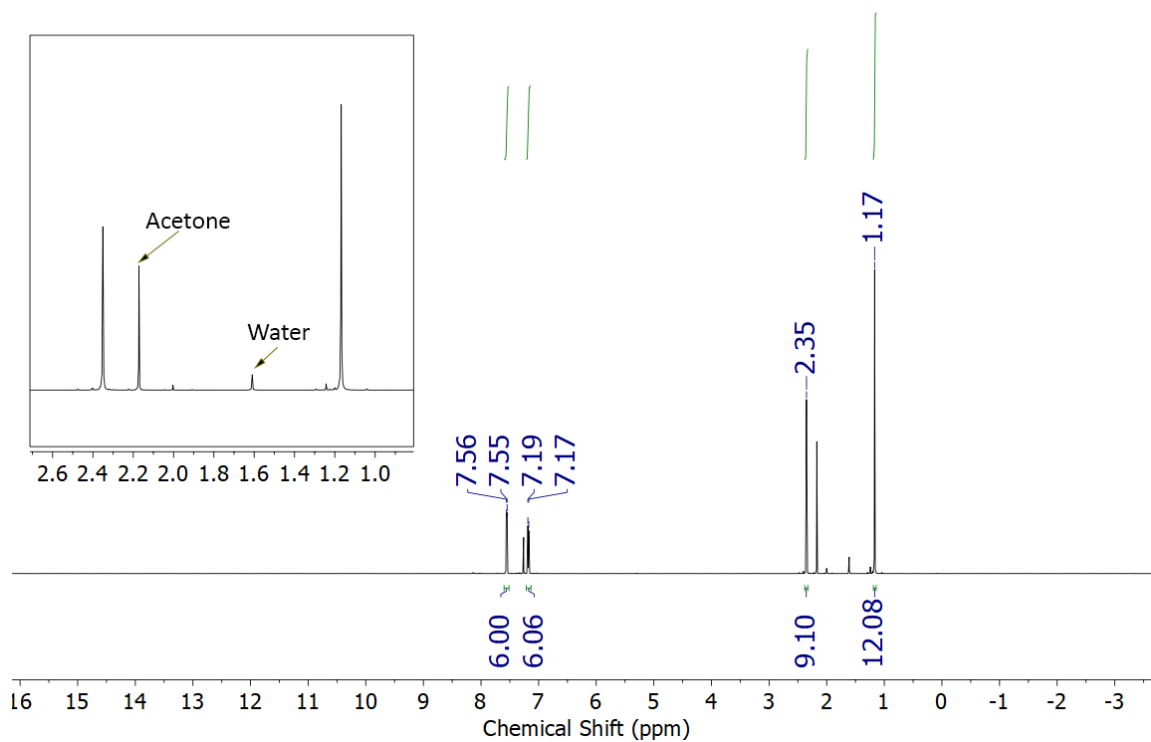


Figure S6. *Top:* ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **1**. *Bottom:* ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **1**.

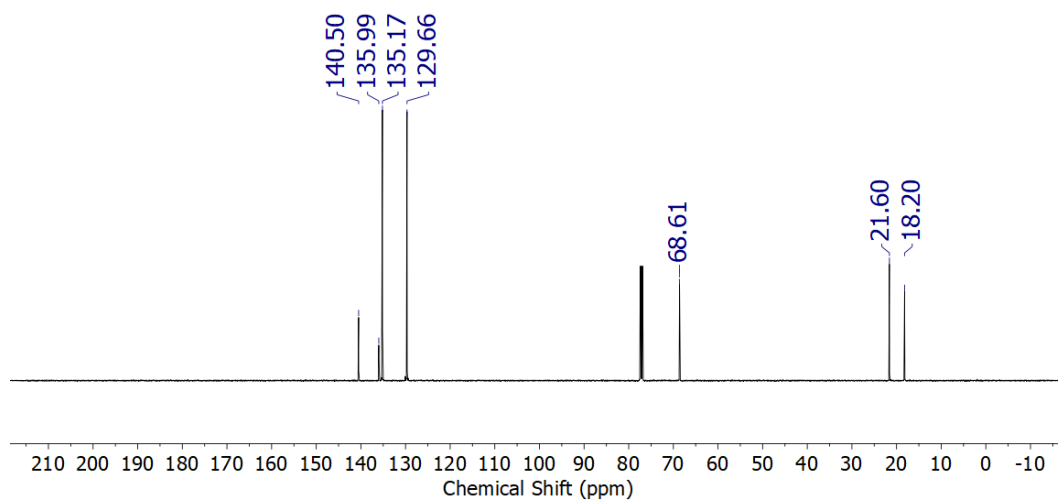
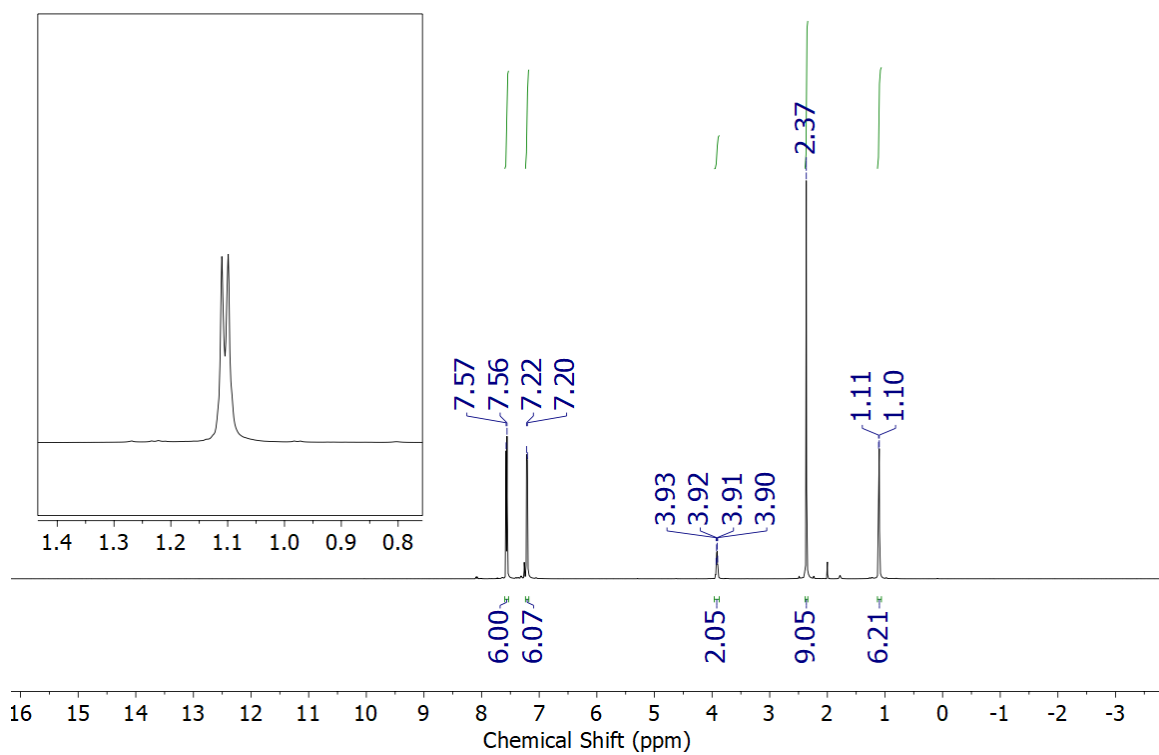


Figure S7. *Top:* ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of **2**. *Bottom:* $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of **2**.

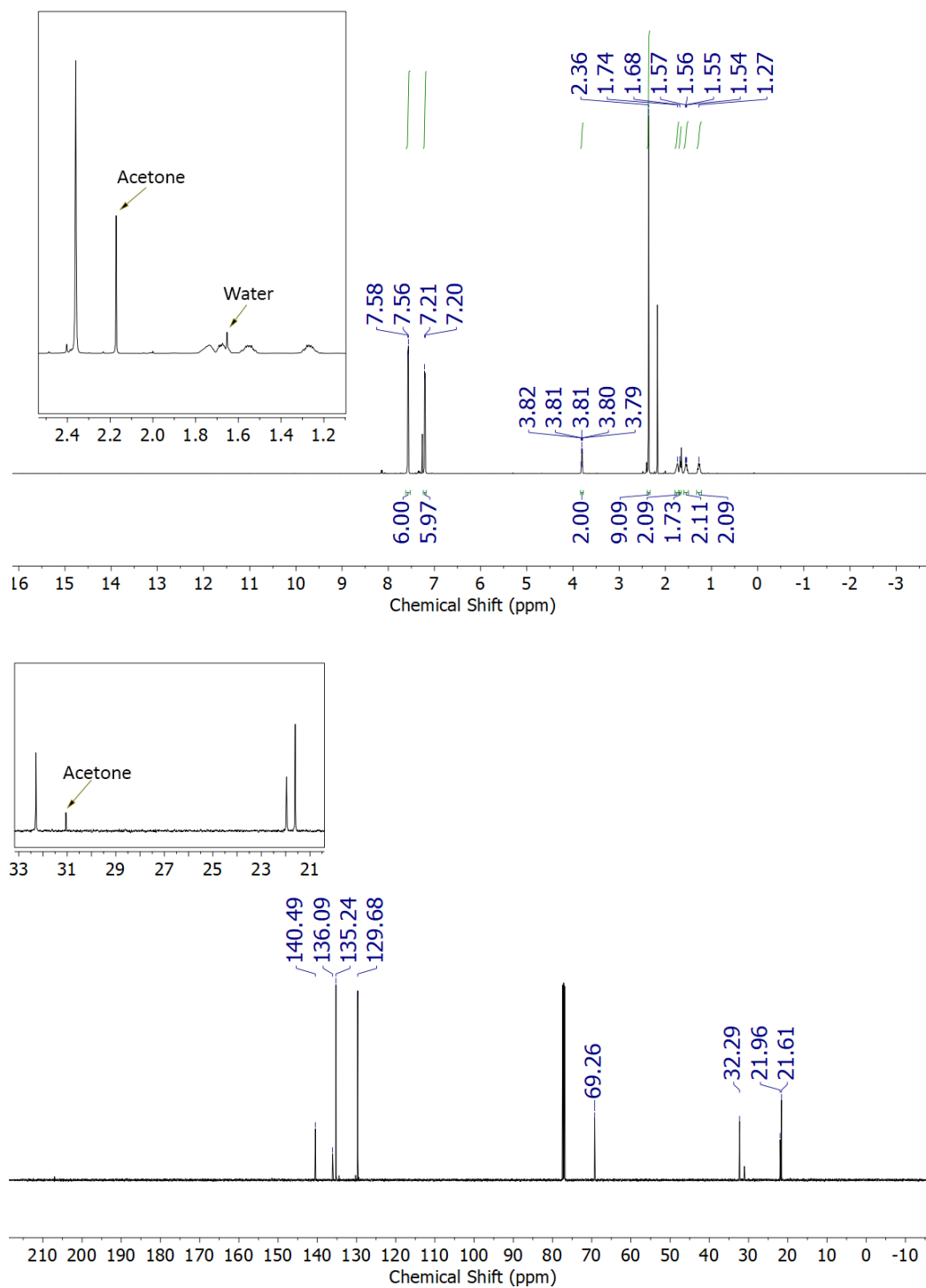


Figure S8. *Top:* ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of **3**. *Bottom:* $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of **3**.

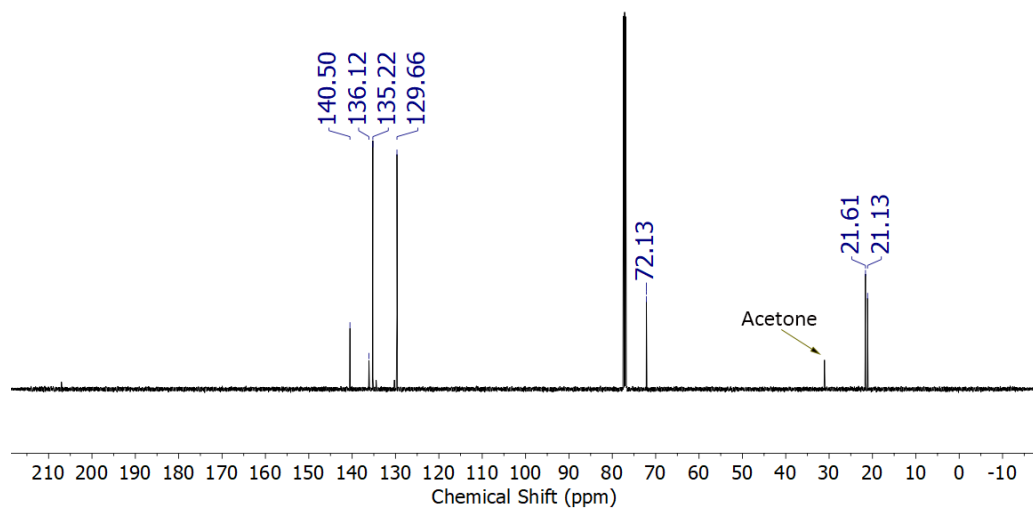
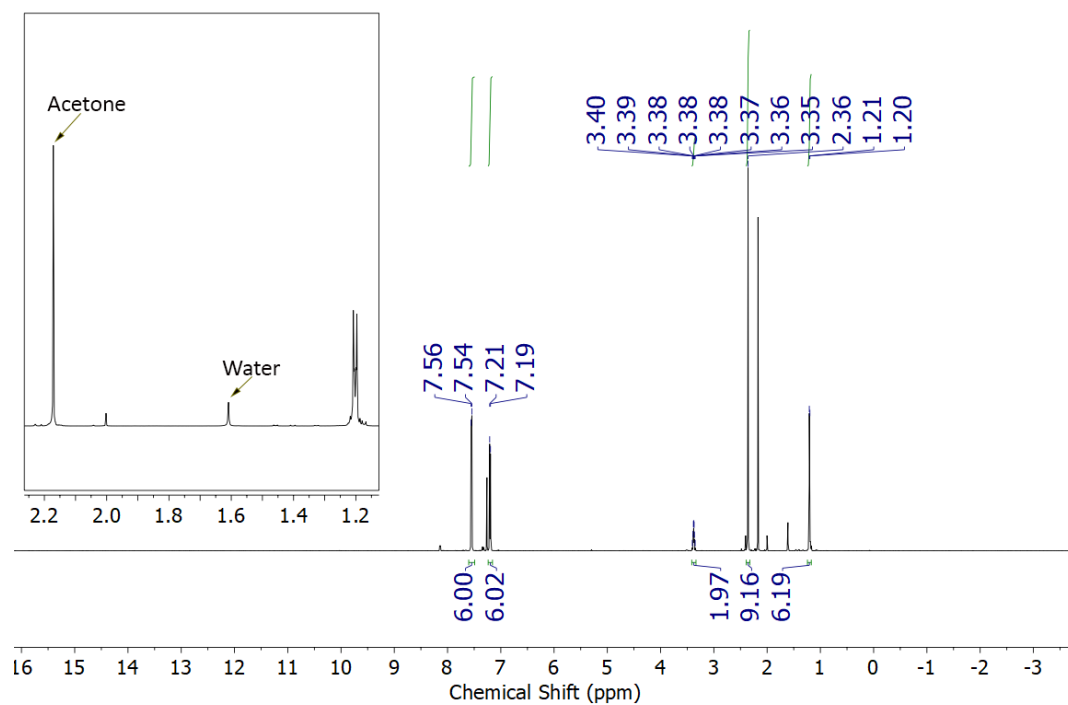


Figure S9. *Top:* ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of **4**. *Bottom:* $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of **4**.

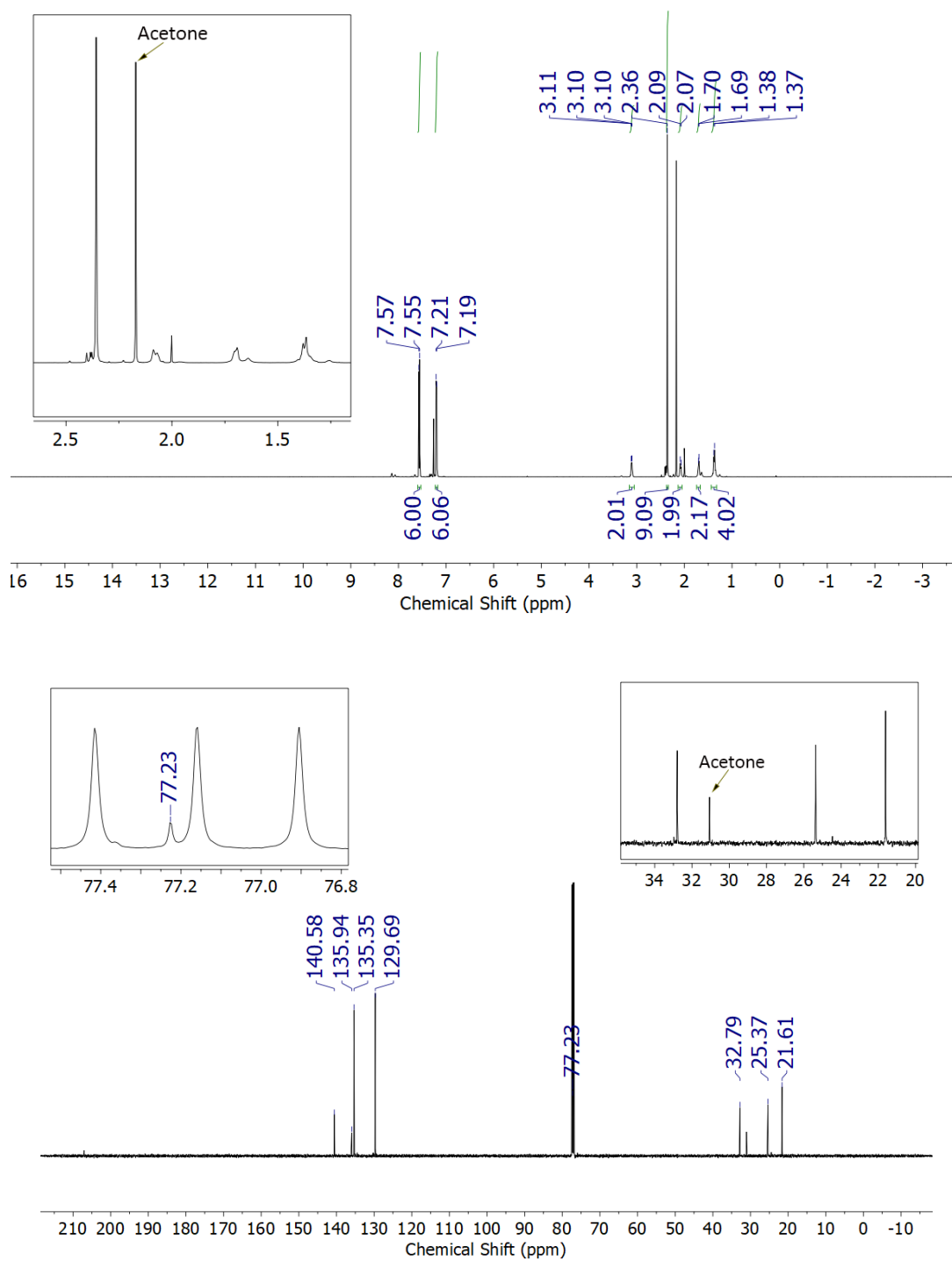


Figure S10. Top: ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of **5**. Bottom: ^{13}C $\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (126 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of **5**.

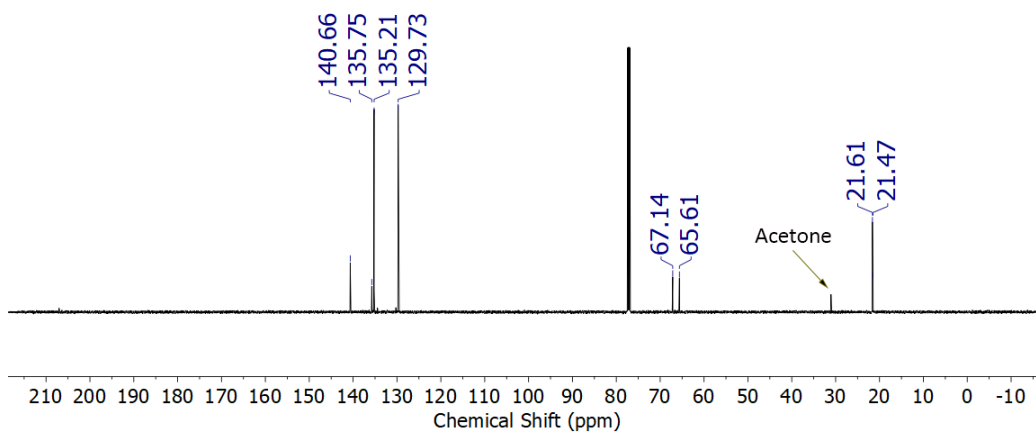
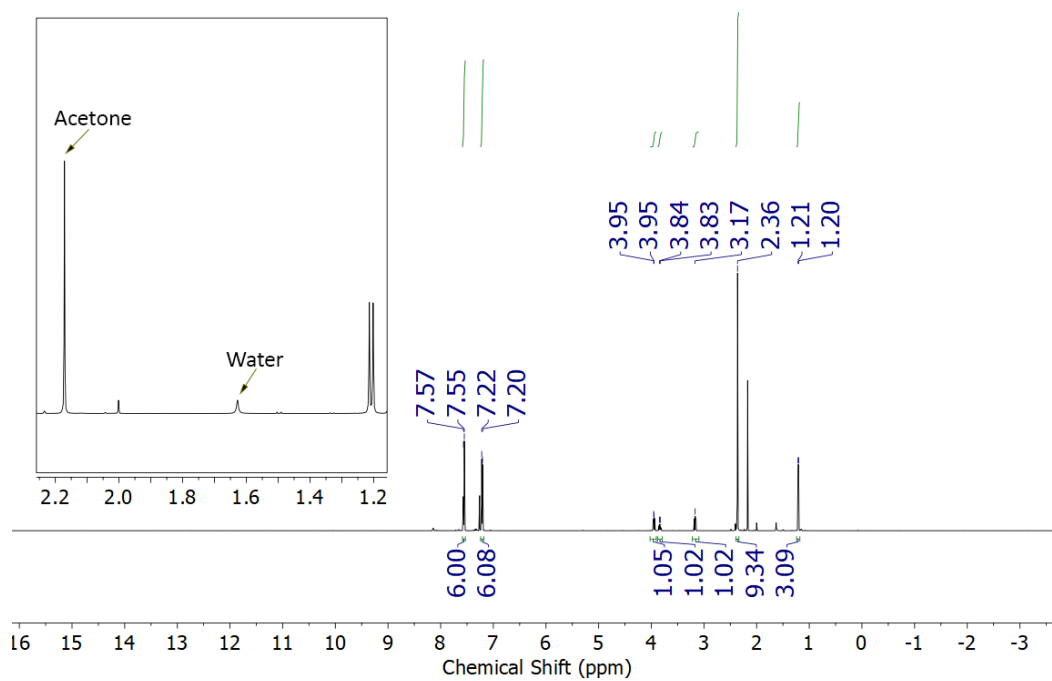


Figure S11. *Top:* ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **6**. *Bottom:* ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of **6**.