

Supporting Information for

Synthesis of Modified Bile Acids via Palladium-Catalyzed C(sp³)-H (Hetero)arylation

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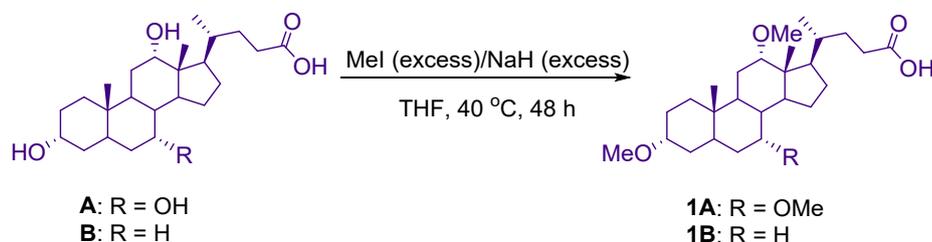
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1. Preparation of starting materials

General procedure for the synthesis of *O*-methylated cholic acid (CA) and deoxycholic acid (DCA) (1A-B)

To a suspension of NaH [(4.40 g, 183.5 mmol, 15 equiv, 55 % dispersion in mineral oil for cholic acid **A**)/(4.58 g, 191.0 mmol, 15 equiv for deoxycholic acid **B**)] in dry THF (100 mL) at 0 °C, a solution of **A** (5.0 g, 12.23 mmol, 1 equiv)/**B** (5.0 g, 12.73 mmol, 1 equiv) in THF (30 mL) was added. After allowing the reaction mixture to stir at room temperature for 1 h, it was cooled to 0 °C. After this, MeI [(7.61 mL, 122.3 mmol, 10 equiv for **A**) and (7.92 mL, 127.3 mmol, 10 equiv for **B**)] was slowly added to the mixture, and it was allowed to stir for 24 h at 40 °C. A second portion of NaH [(4.40 g for **A** and (4.58 g for **B**)] and MeI [(7.61 mL, 122.3 mmol, for **A**) and (7.92 mL, 127.3 mmol for **B**)] were added to the reaction mixture, and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir for another 24 h at 40 °C. Thereafter, the reaction mixture was quenched by slow addition of saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (50 mL) at 0 °C. Tetrahydrofuran were removed under reduced pressure. To the resulting suspension, ethyl acetate (100 mL) was added and the mixture was washed with water (3 × 50 mL). The organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (Hexanes/EtOAc, 70:30) to afford 4.63 g (84%) of compound **1A** and 4.71 g (88%) of compound **1B** as a white solid. TLC R_f = 0.36 (Hexanes/EtOAc, 70:30).

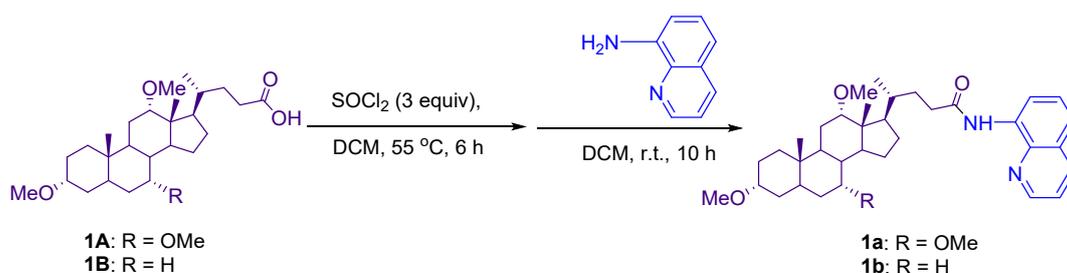


(4R)-4-((3R,7R,10S,12S,13R,17R)-3,7,12-trimethoxy-10,13-dimethylhexadecahydro-1H-cyclopenta[*a*]phenanthren-17-yl)pentanoic acid (1A). Compound **1A** was prepared by literature reported procedure¹ as a white solid; 5.01 g (91%); m.p. 64-68 °C (Lit. m.p. 65-70 °C).

(4R)-4-((3R,10S,12S,13R,17R)-3,12-dimethoxy-10,13-dimethylhexadecahydro-1H-cyclopenta[*a*]phenanthren-17-yl)pentanoic acid (1B). Compound **1B** was prepared by literature reported procedure² as a white solid; 4.71 g (88%); m.p. 140-144 °C (Lit. m.p. not reported).

General procedure for the synthesis of *O*-methylated *N*-(quinolin-8-yl)cholyl/deoxycholy amides (**1a-b**)

To a stirred solution of *O*-methylated cholic acid (**1A**) [or deoxycholic acid (**1B**)] [3.0 g, 1 equiv] in dry DCM (100 mL), thionyl chloride (3 equiv) was added at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred under reflux conditions at 55 °C for 6 h and was monitored by TLC. After the completion of the reaction, DCM and excess of thionyl chloride was removed under reduced pressure. To the resulting dry crude *O*-methylated cholyl/deoxycholy chloride, freshly distilled DCM (100 mL) and 8-aminoquinoline (1.2 equiv) were added and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 h. Thereafter, the resulting reaction mixture was washed with 1 M HCl (3 × 50 mL) solution to remove unreacted 8-aminoquinoline. The organic layer was separated, dried to afford crude product, which was purified by flash column chromatography (Hexanes/EtOAc, 90:10) to afford pure *O*-methylated *N*-(quinolin-8-yl)cholyl/deoxycholy amide (**1a-b**).

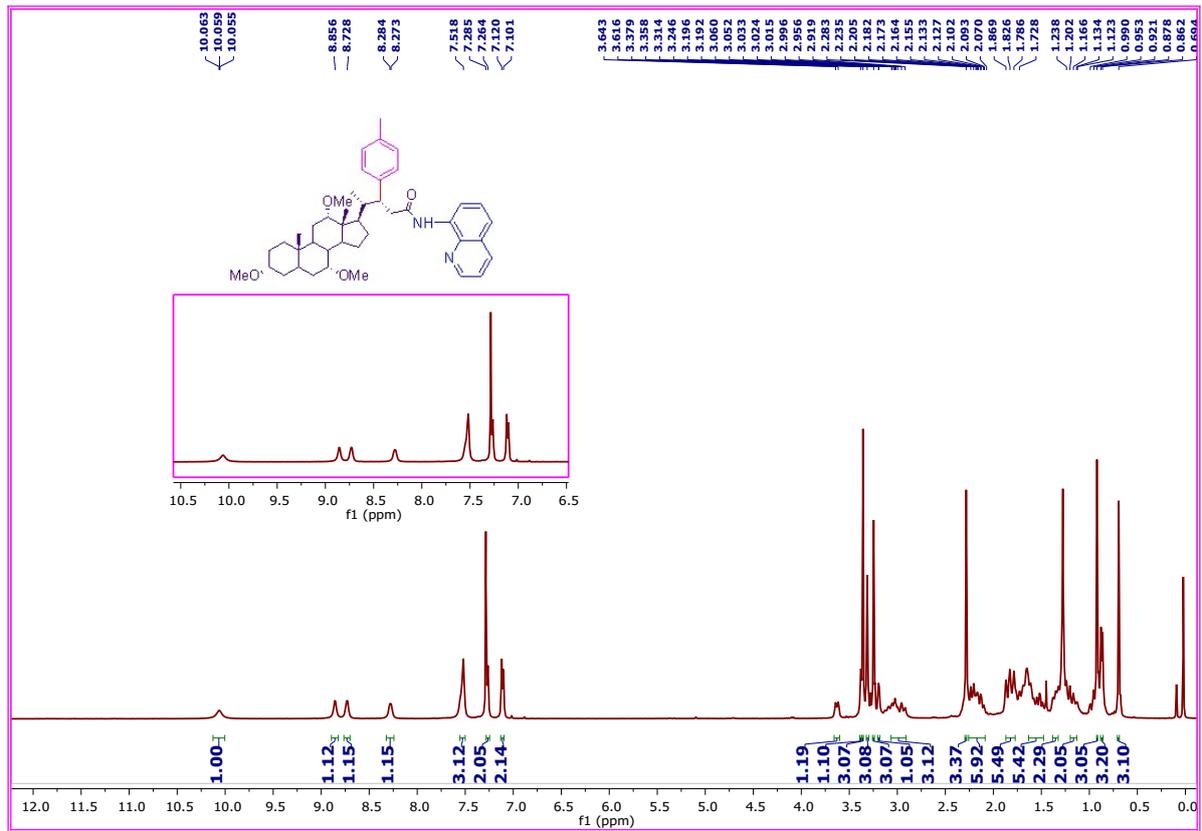


(4*R*)-*N*-(quinolin-8-yl)-4-((3*R*,7*R*,10*S*,12*S*,13*R*,17*R*)-3,7,12-trimethoxy-10,13-dimethylhexadecahydro-1*H*-cyclopenta[*a*]phenanthren-17-yl)pentanamide (**1a**).

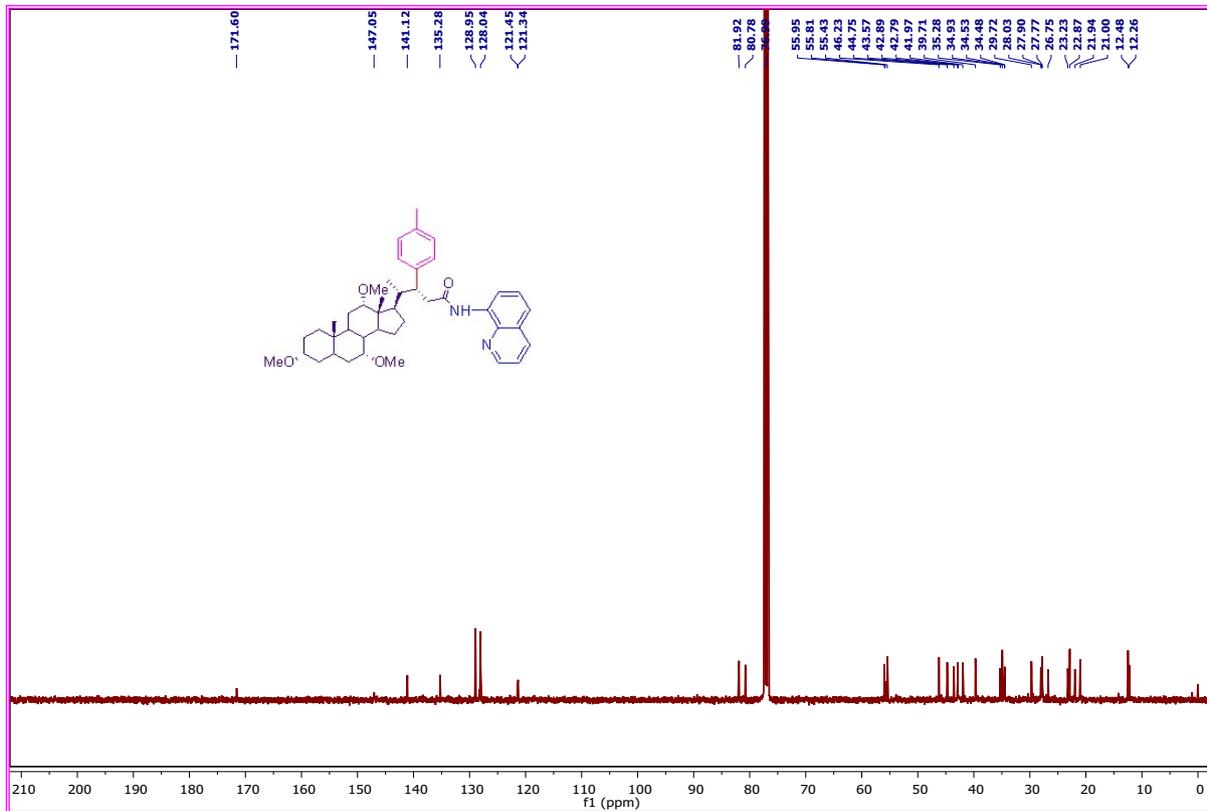
Compound **1a** was prepared by literature reported procedure³ as a white solid; 3.56 gm (93%); (Lit. m.p. 158-160 °C).

(4*R*)-4-((3*R*,10*S*,12*S*,13*R*,17*R*)-3,12-dimethoxy-10,13-dimethylhexadecahydro-1*H*-cyclopenta[*a*]phenanthren-17-yl)-*N*-(quinolin-8-yl)pentanamide (**1b**). White solid, 3.51 gm (90%); m.p. 150-152 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm) δ 9.84 (s, 1H), 8.87 - 8.77 (m, 2H), 8.18 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58 - 7.45 (m, 3H), 3.45 - 3.40 (m, 1H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.29 (s, 3H), 3.22 - 3.11 (m, 1H), 2.70 - 2.61 (m, 1H), 2.54 - 2.44 (m, 1H), 2.06 - 1.88 (m, 4H), 1.86 - 1.70 (m, 8H), 1.64 - 1.51 (m, 6H), 1.44 - 1.31 (m, 3H), 1.25 - 1.13 (m, 3H), 1.02 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (s, 3H), 0.69 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm) δ 172.4, 148.1, 138.4, 136.3, 134.7, 128.0, 127.5, 121.6, 121.2, 116.4, 82.3, 80.5, 55.7, 55.5, 48.9, 46.5, 46.4, 42.1, 36.1, 35.4, 35.2, 34.9, 34.9, 33.6, 32.6, 31.5, 27.5, 27.4, 26.8, 26.1, 23.7, 23.3, 22.0, 17.6, 12.8; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* Calcd for C₃₅H₅₁N₂O₃⁺ (M+H)⁺: 547.3894, found 547.3885.

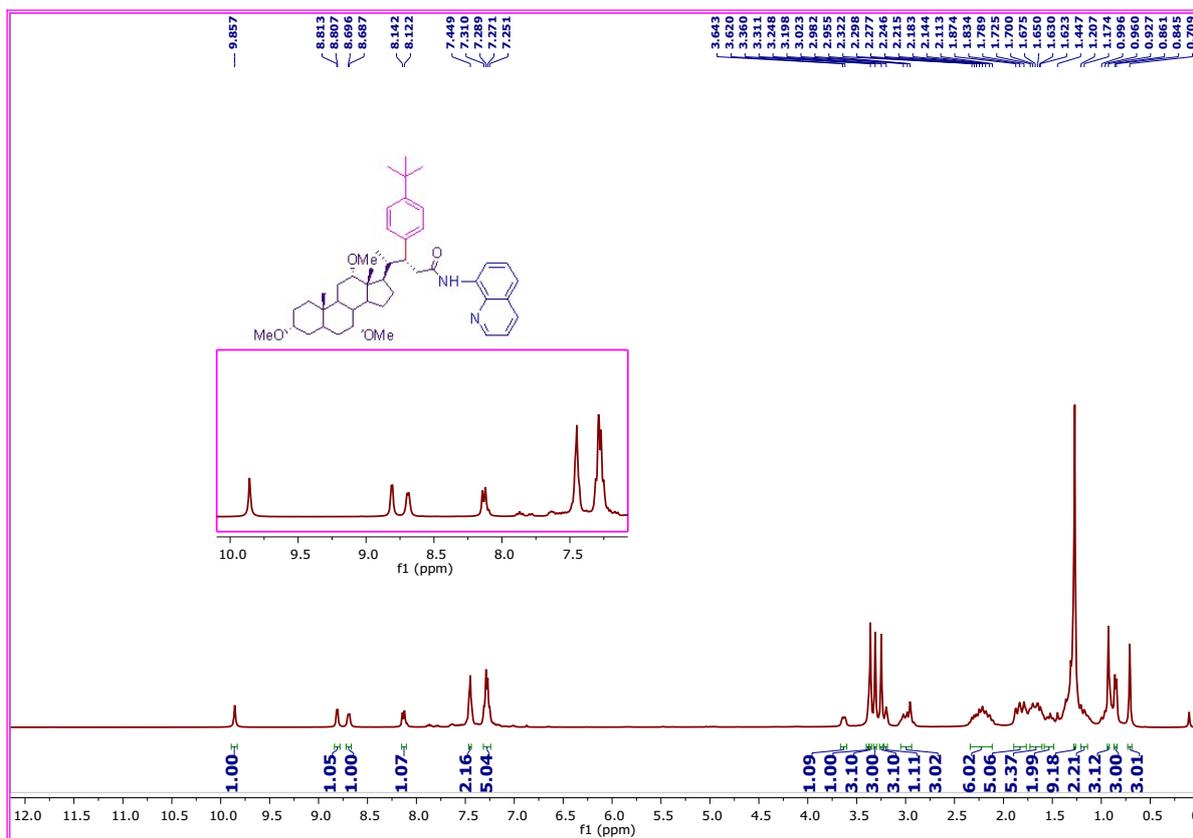
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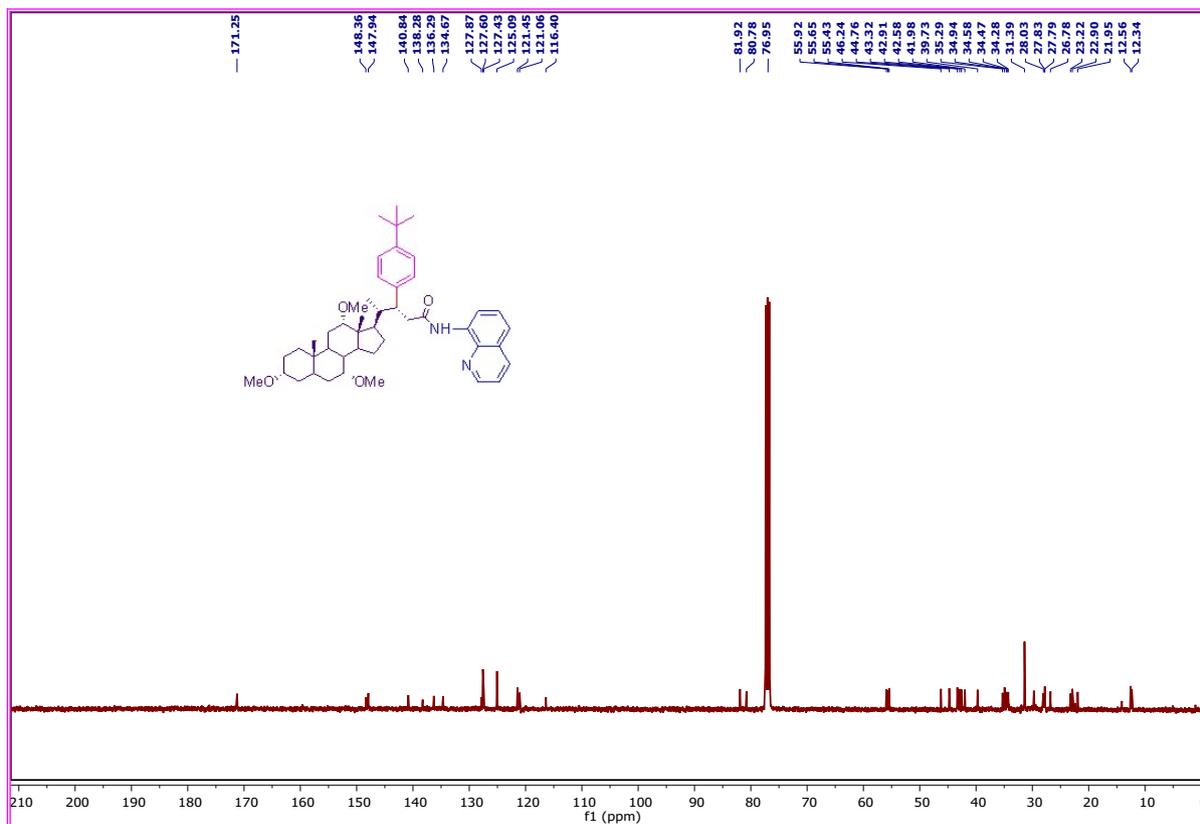
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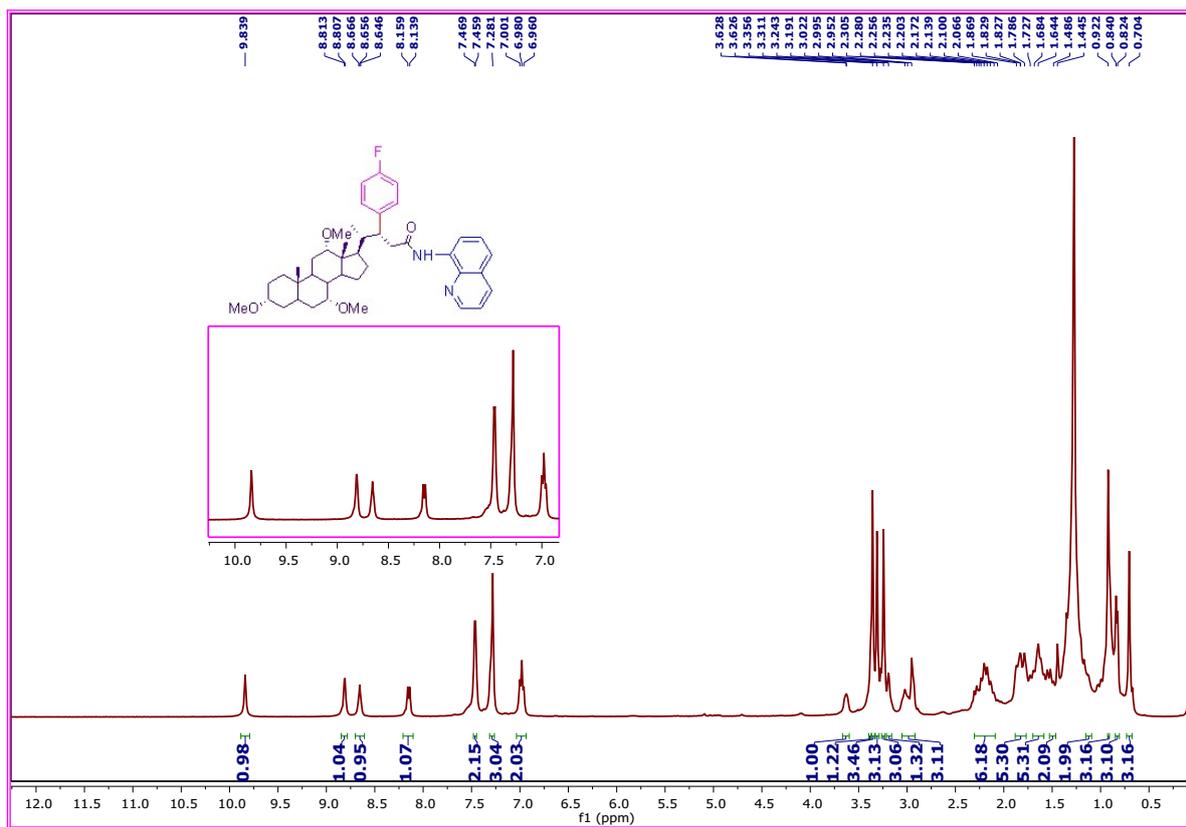
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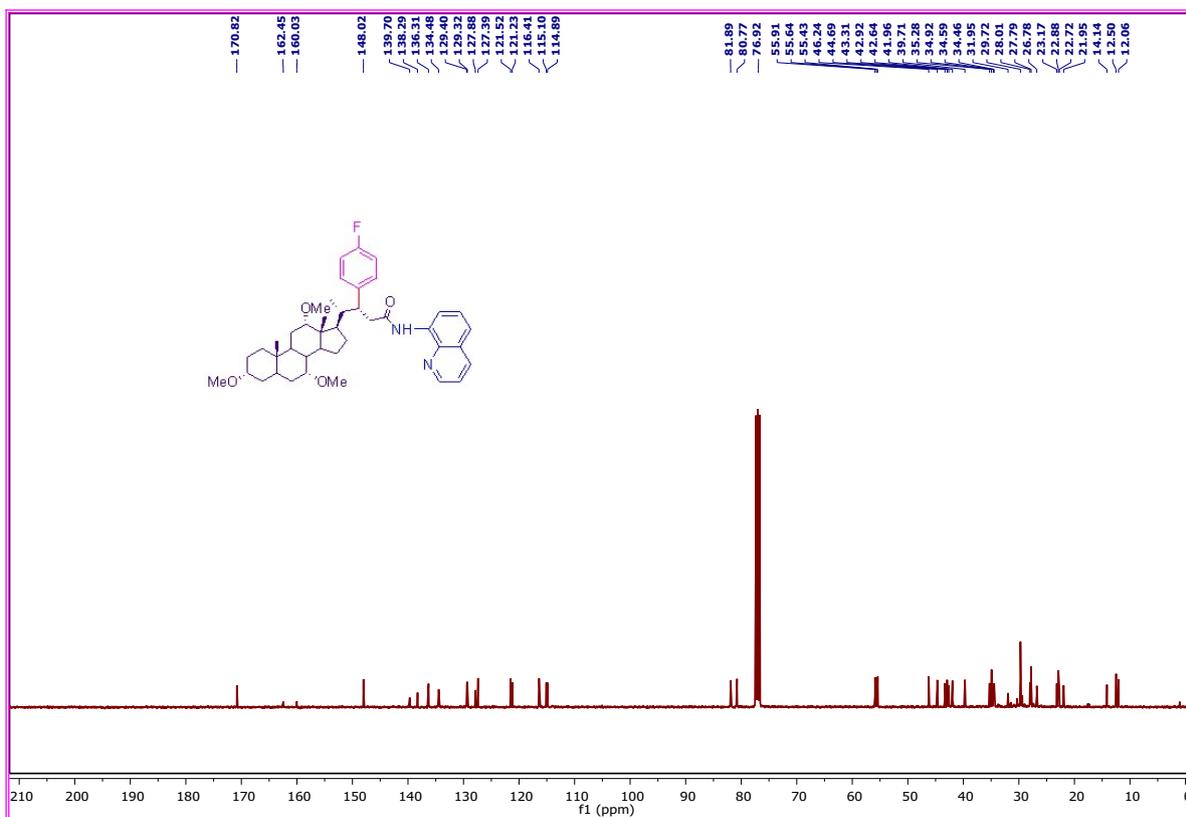
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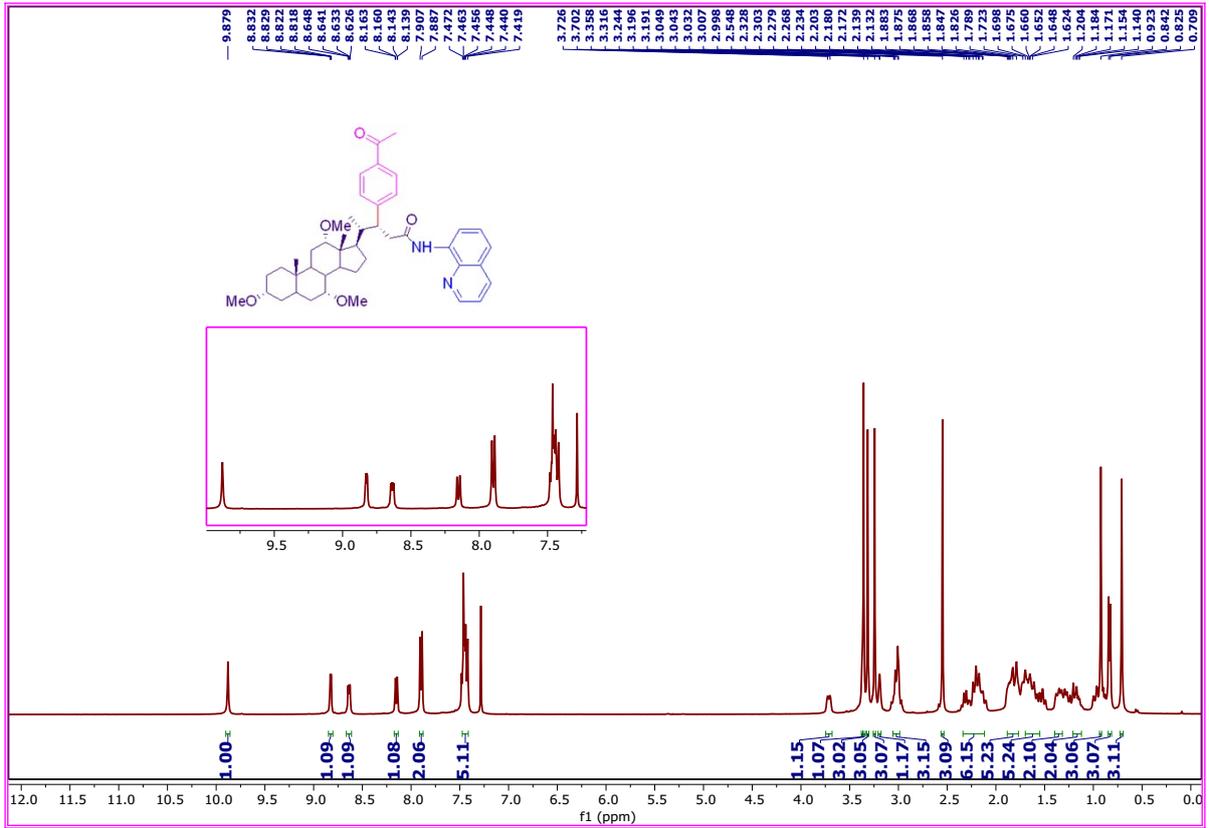
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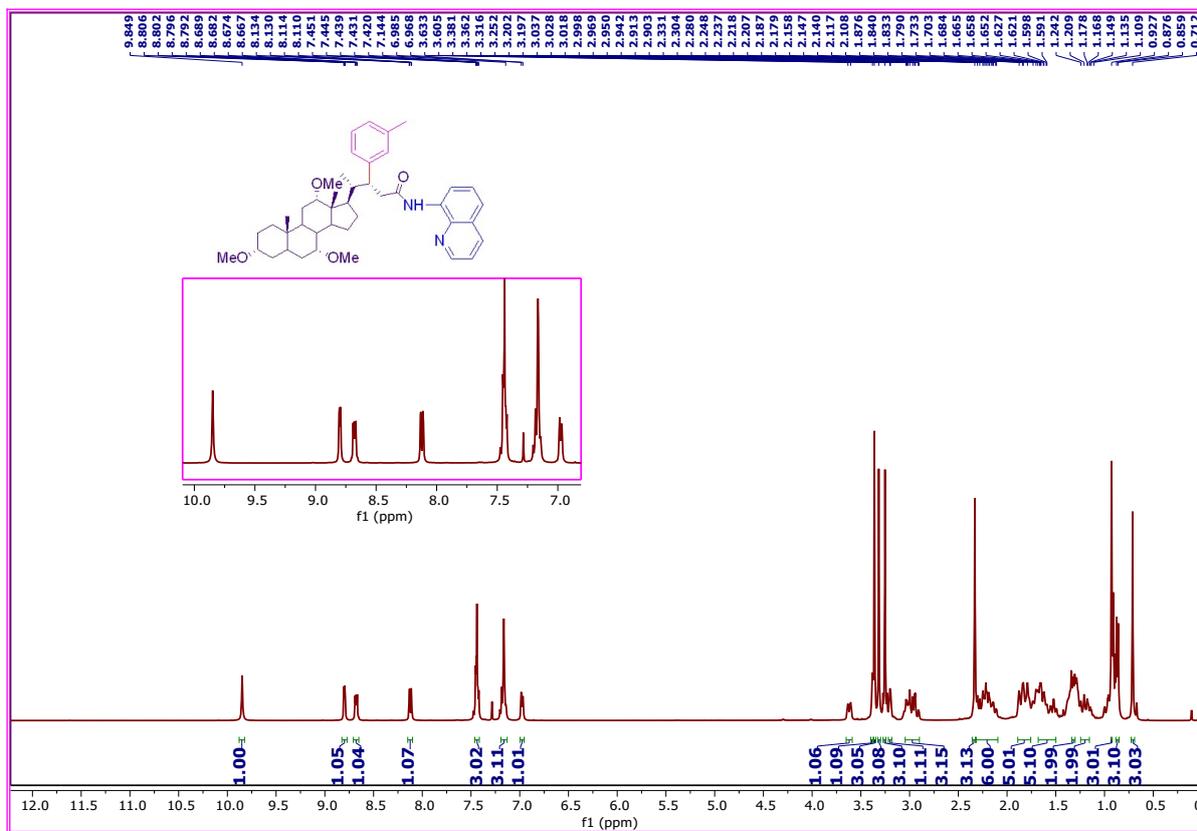
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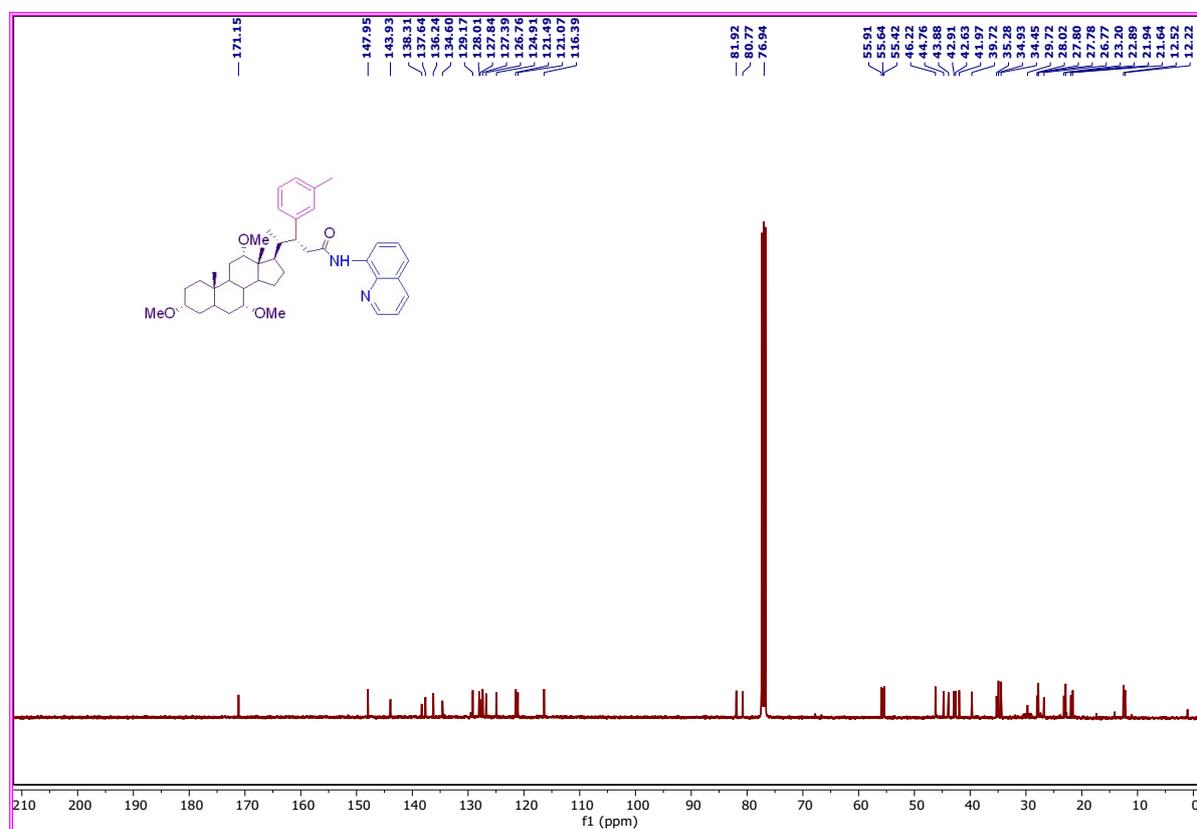
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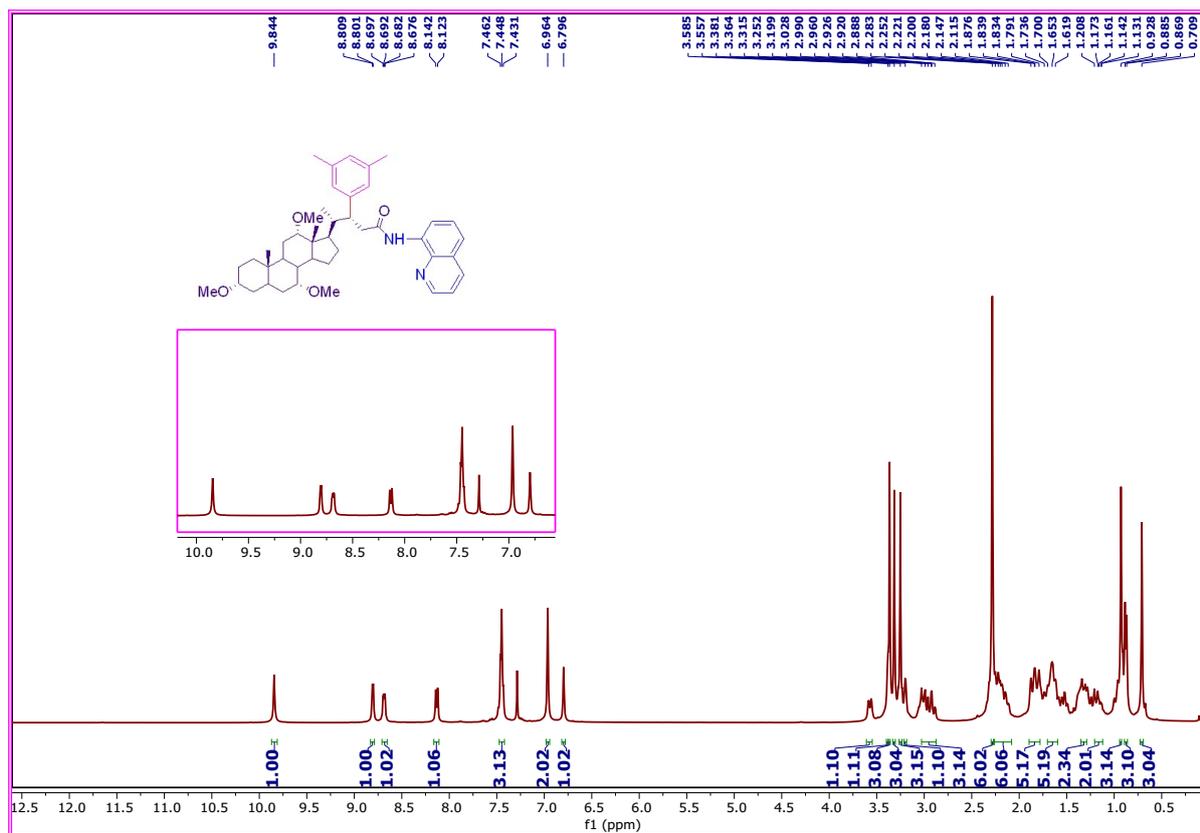
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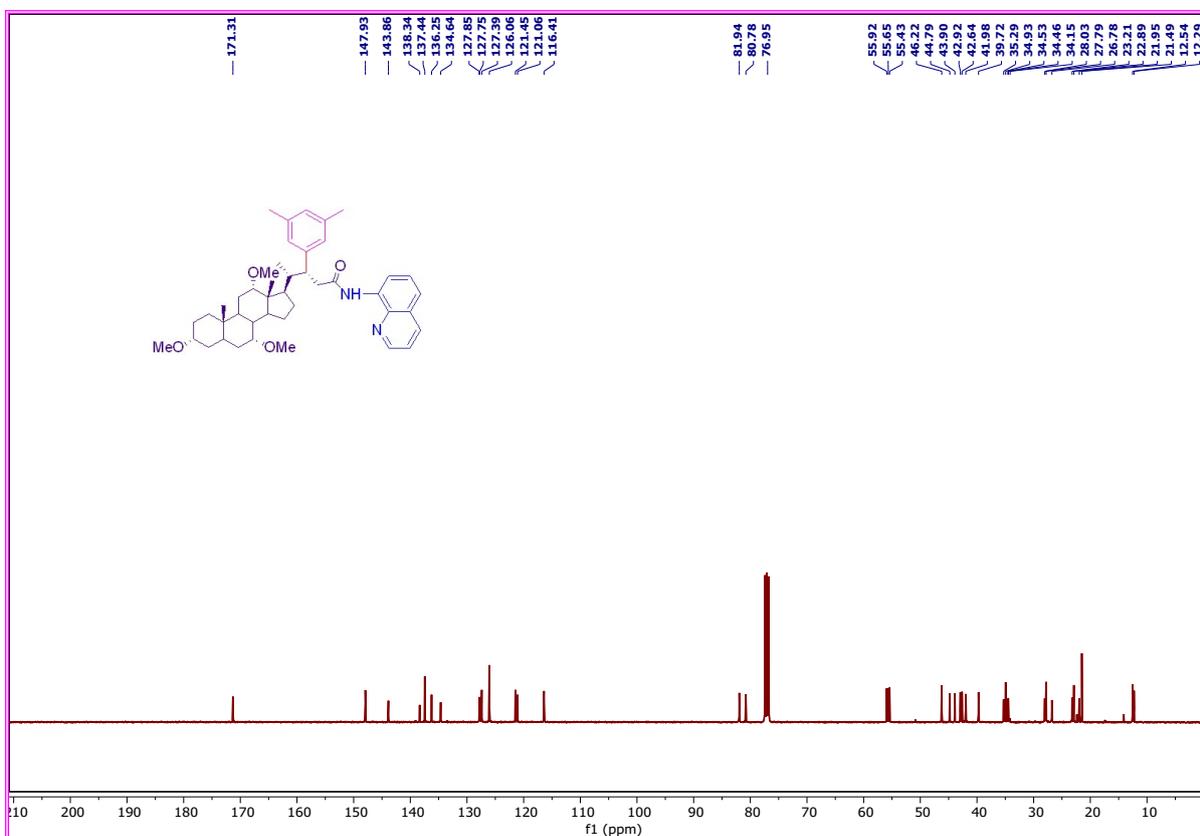
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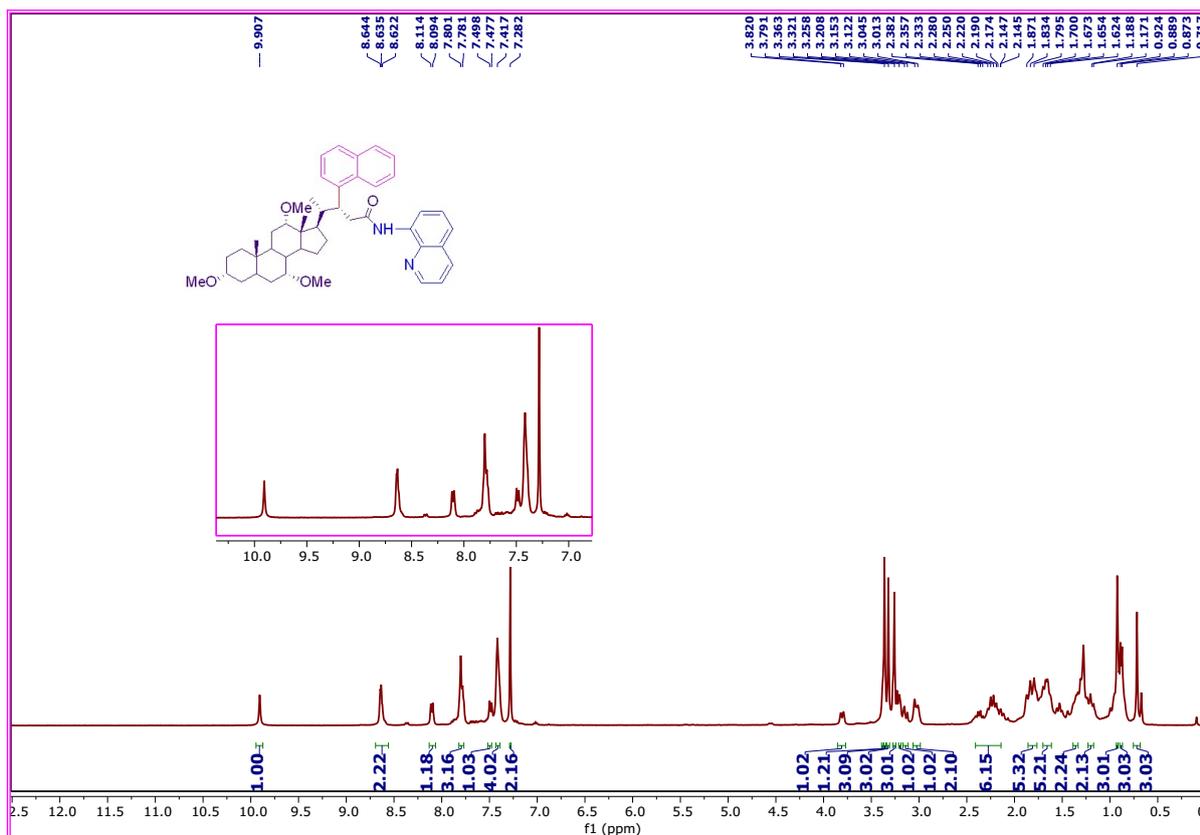
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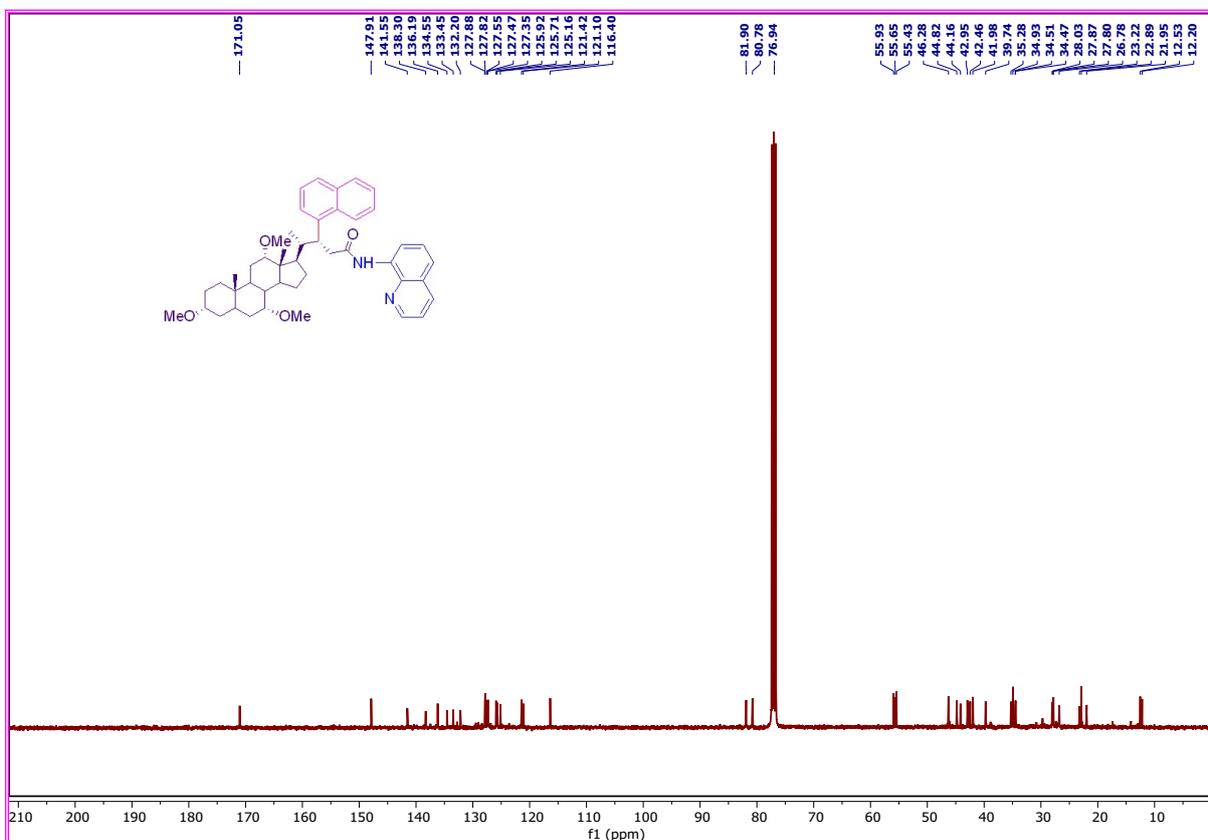
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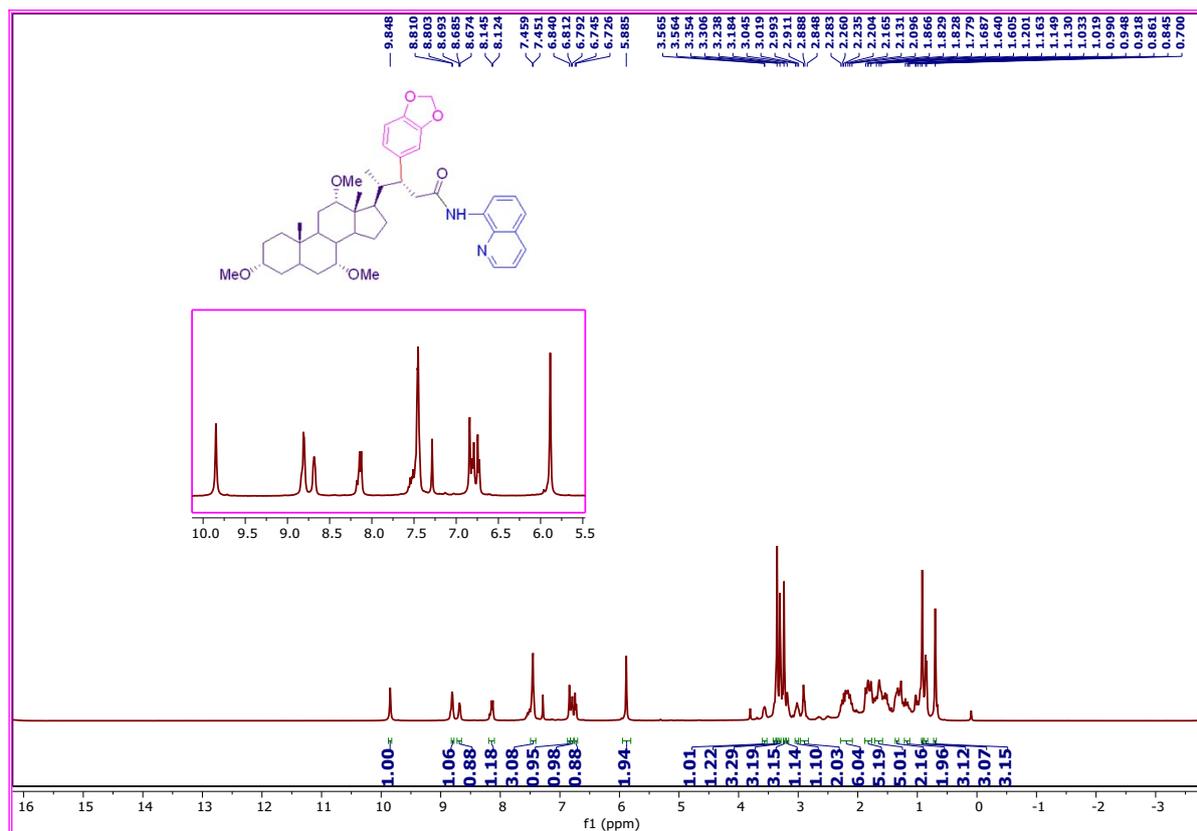
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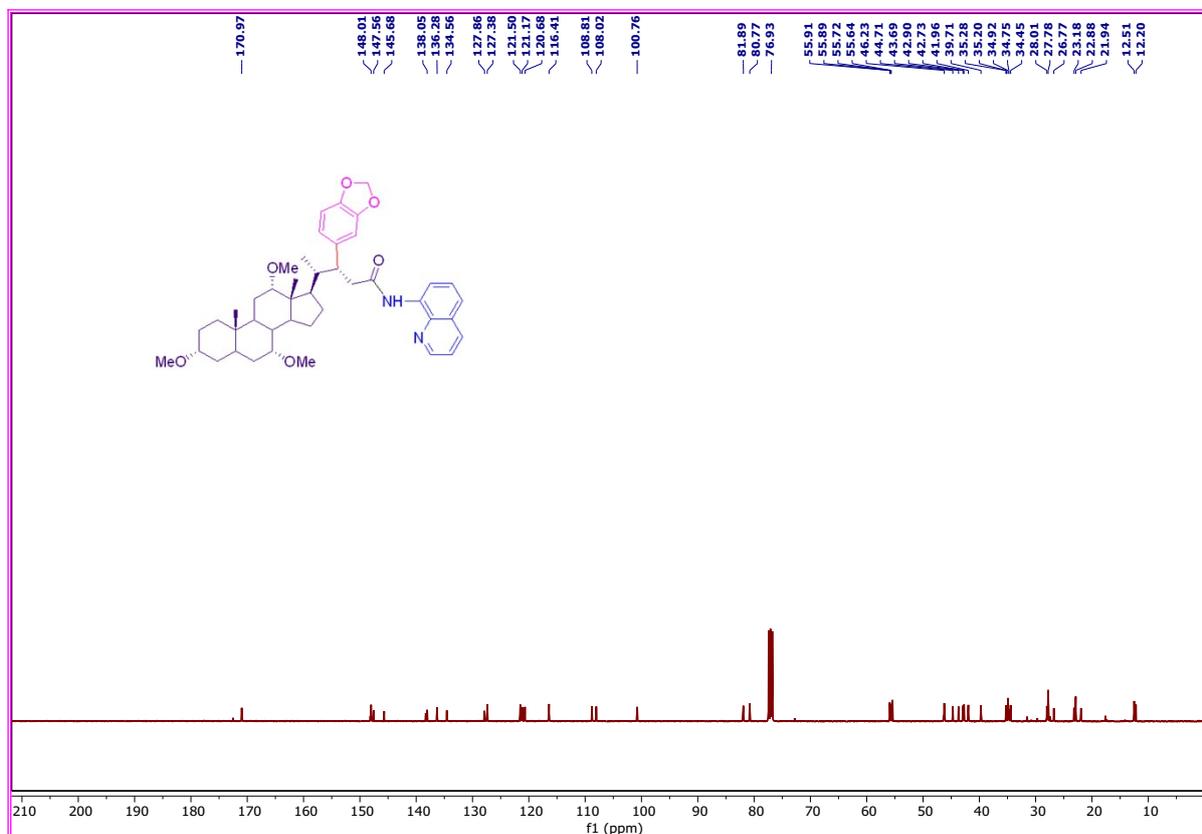
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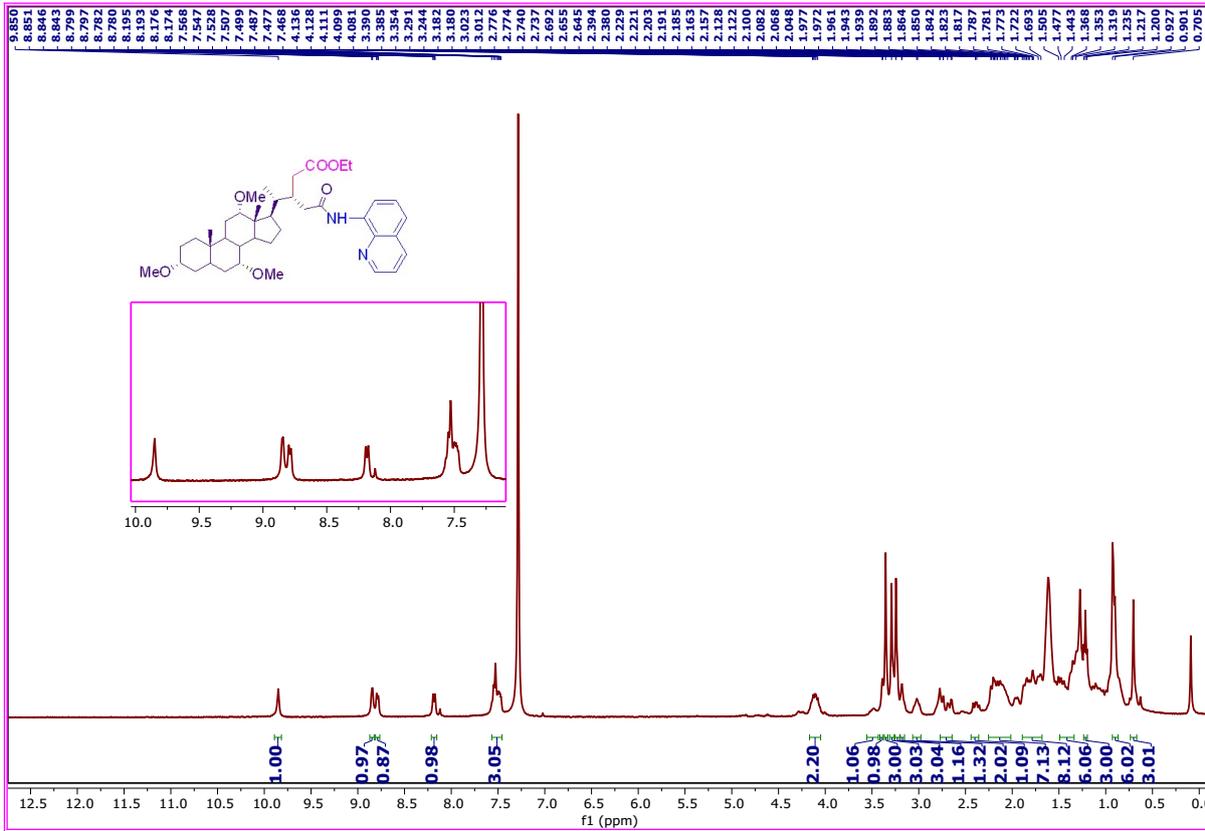
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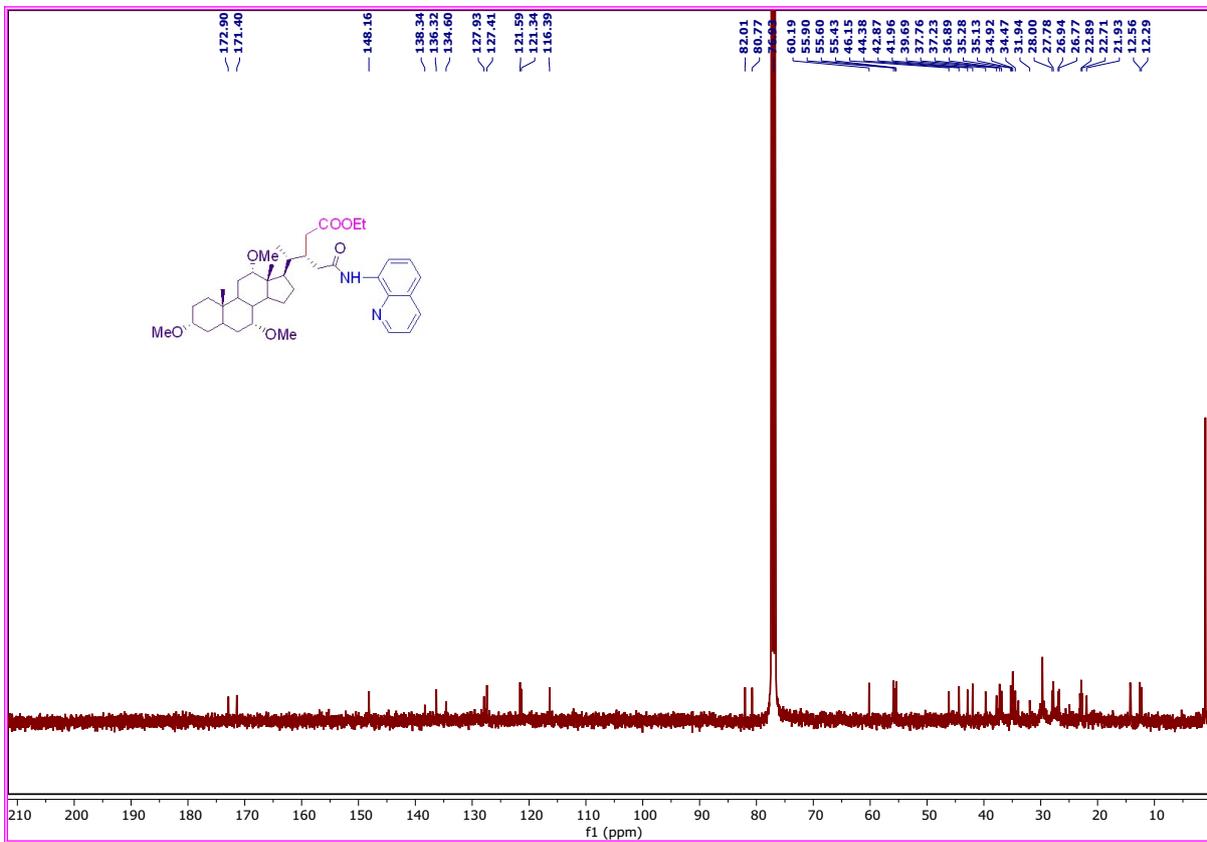
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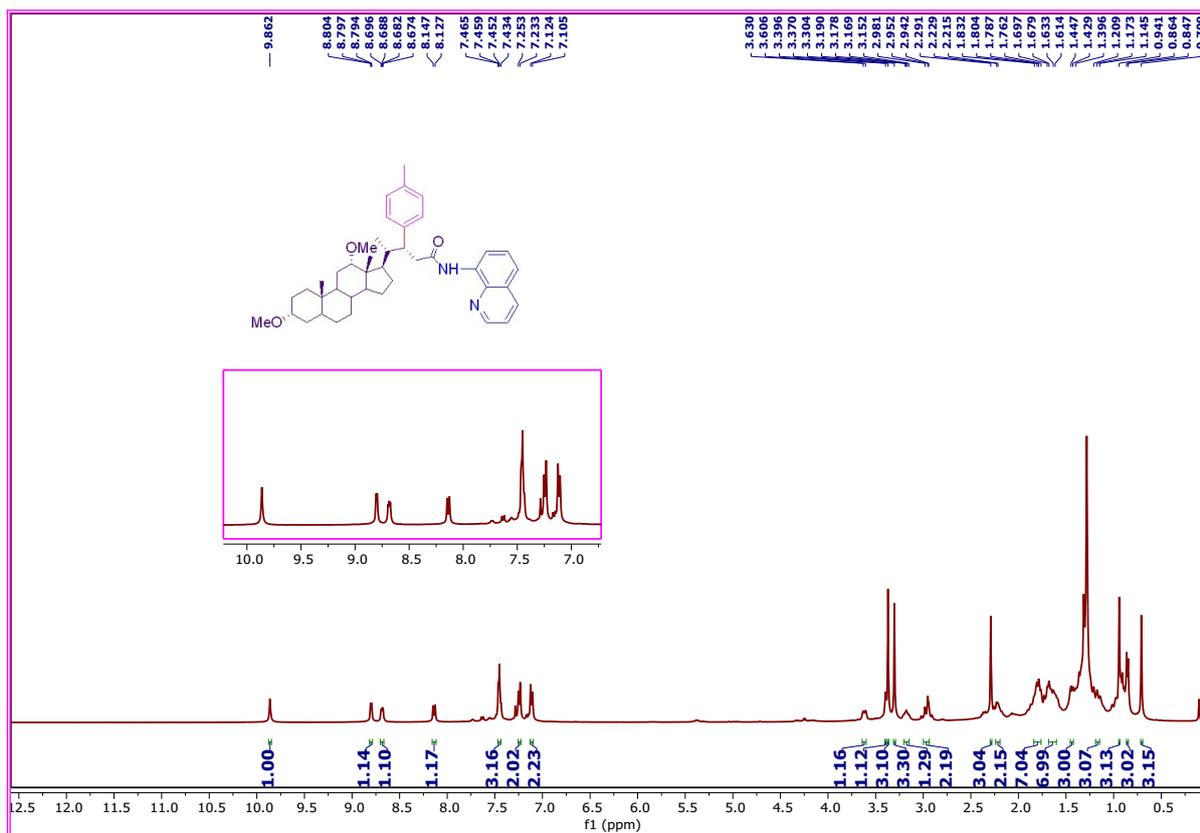
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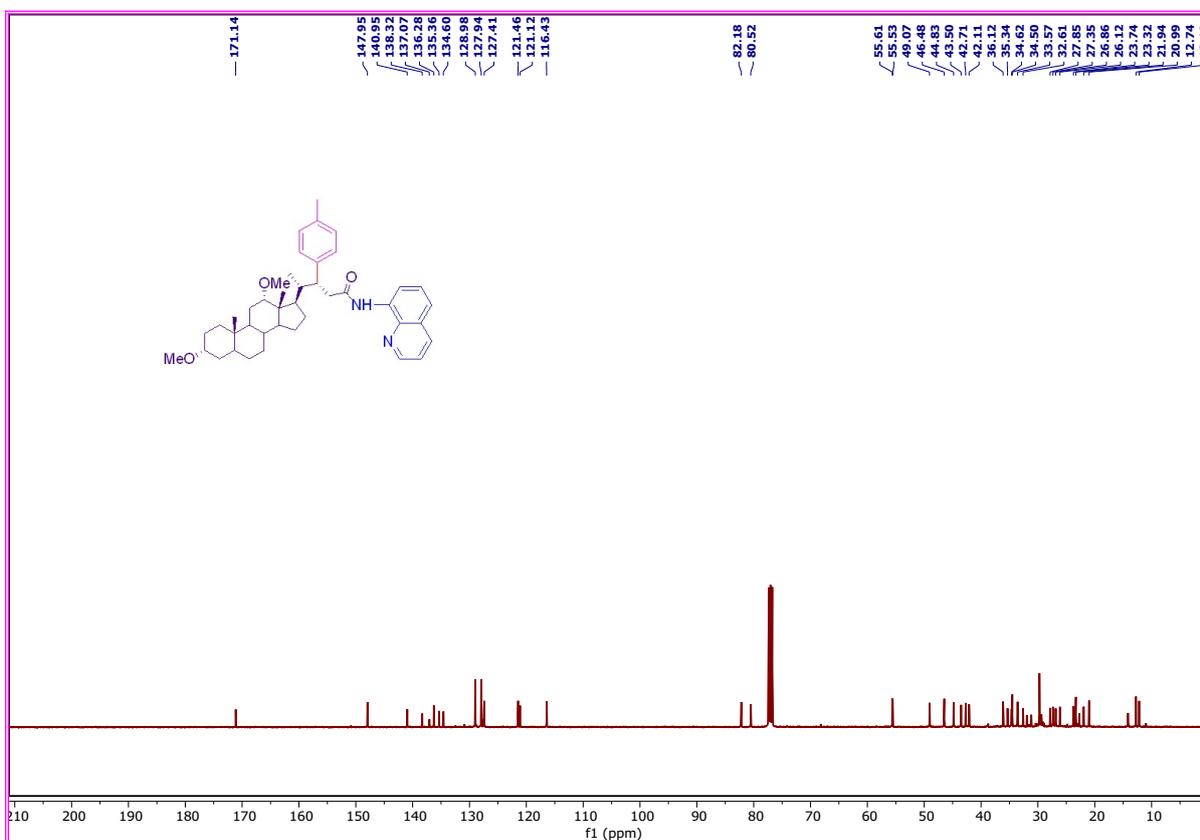
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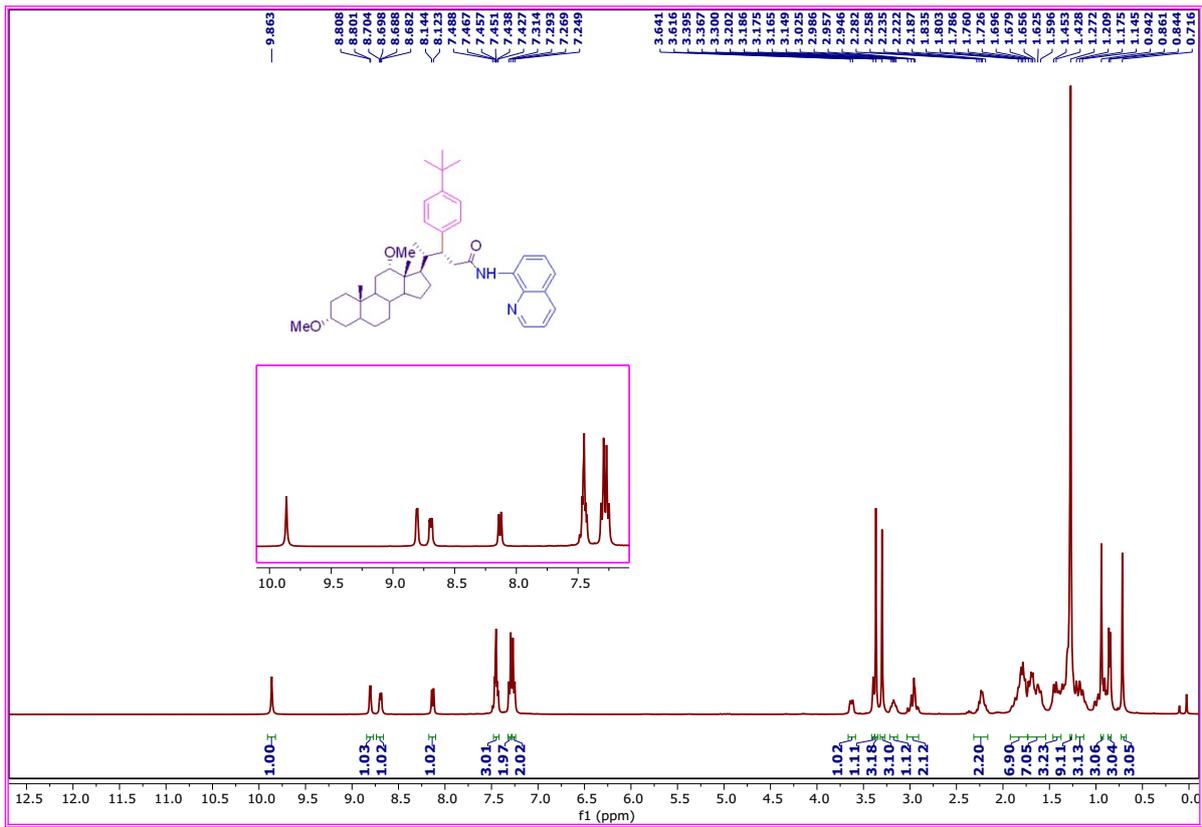
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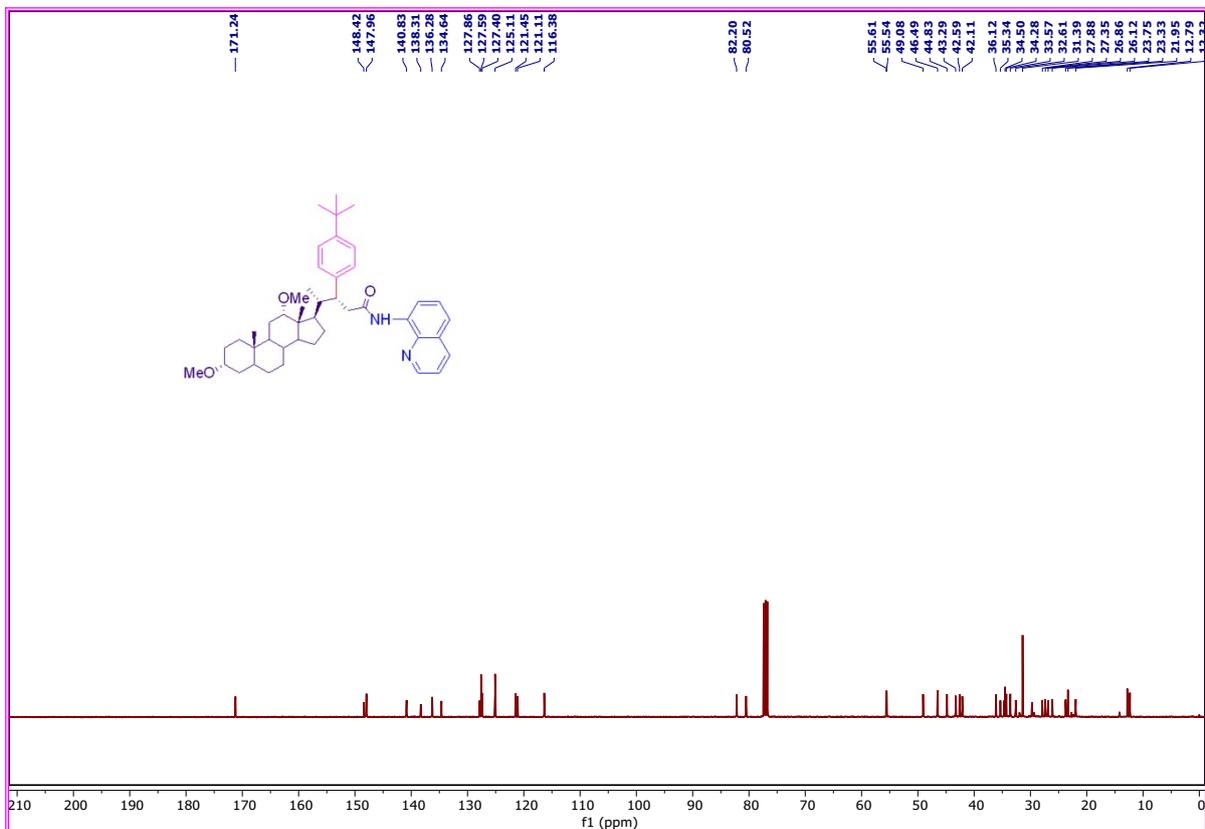
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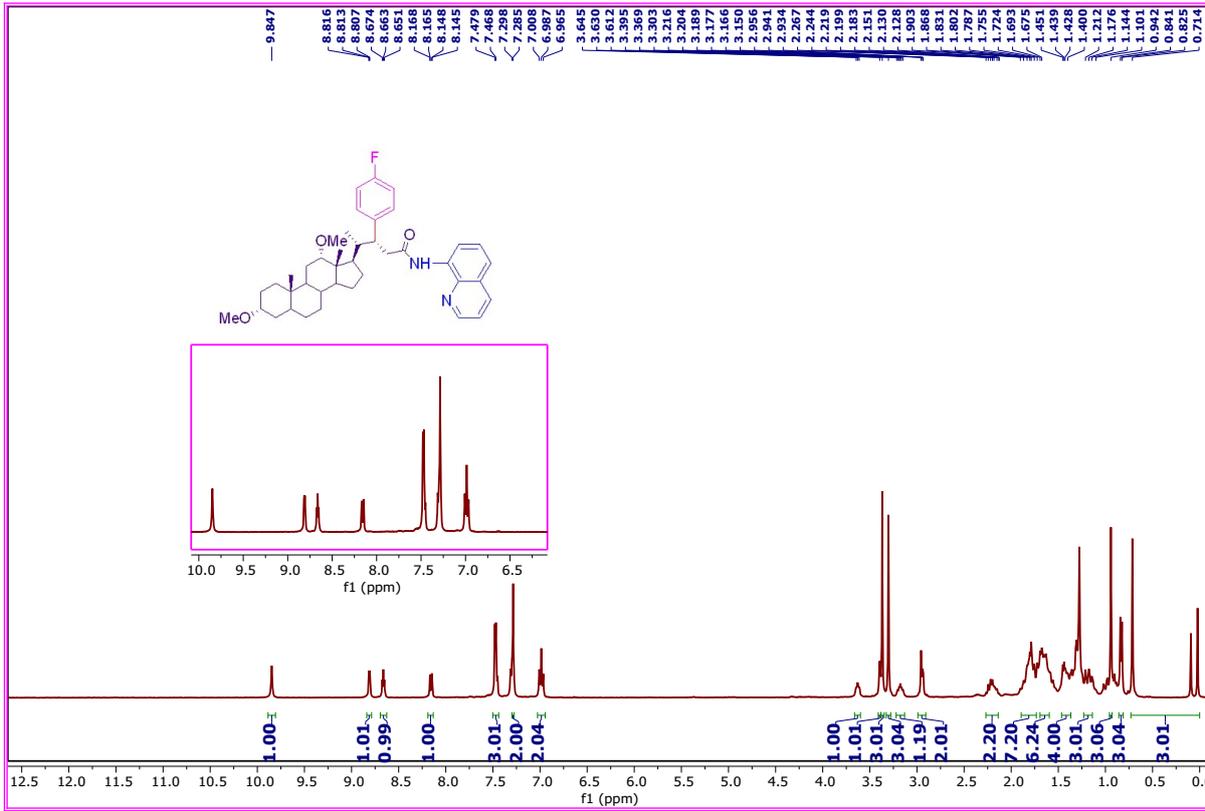
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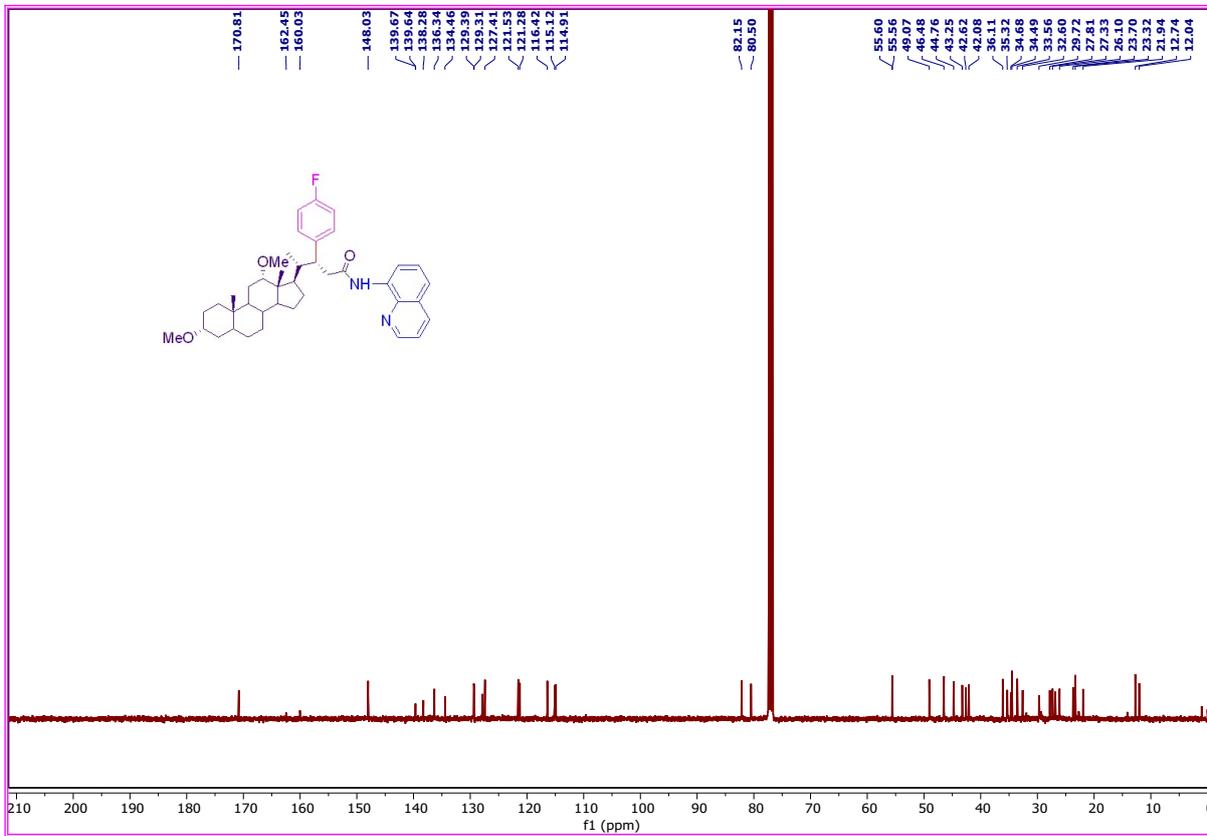
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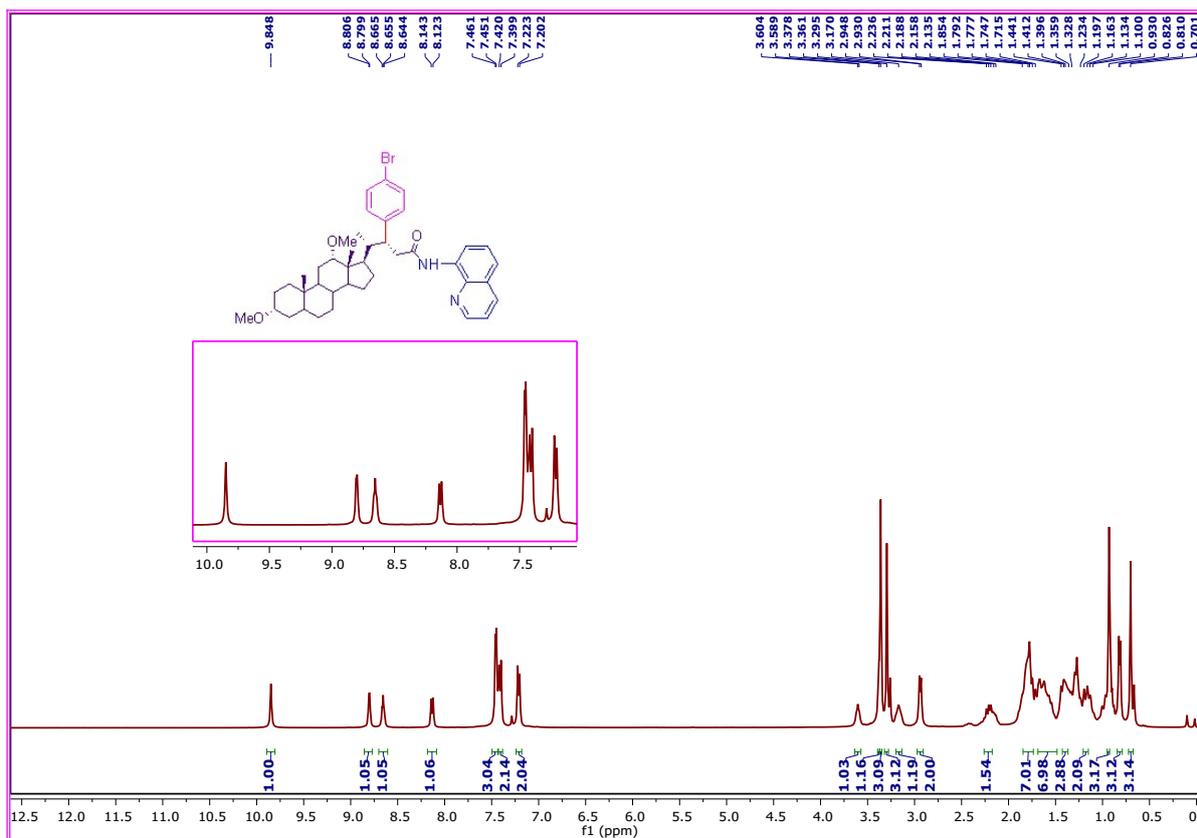
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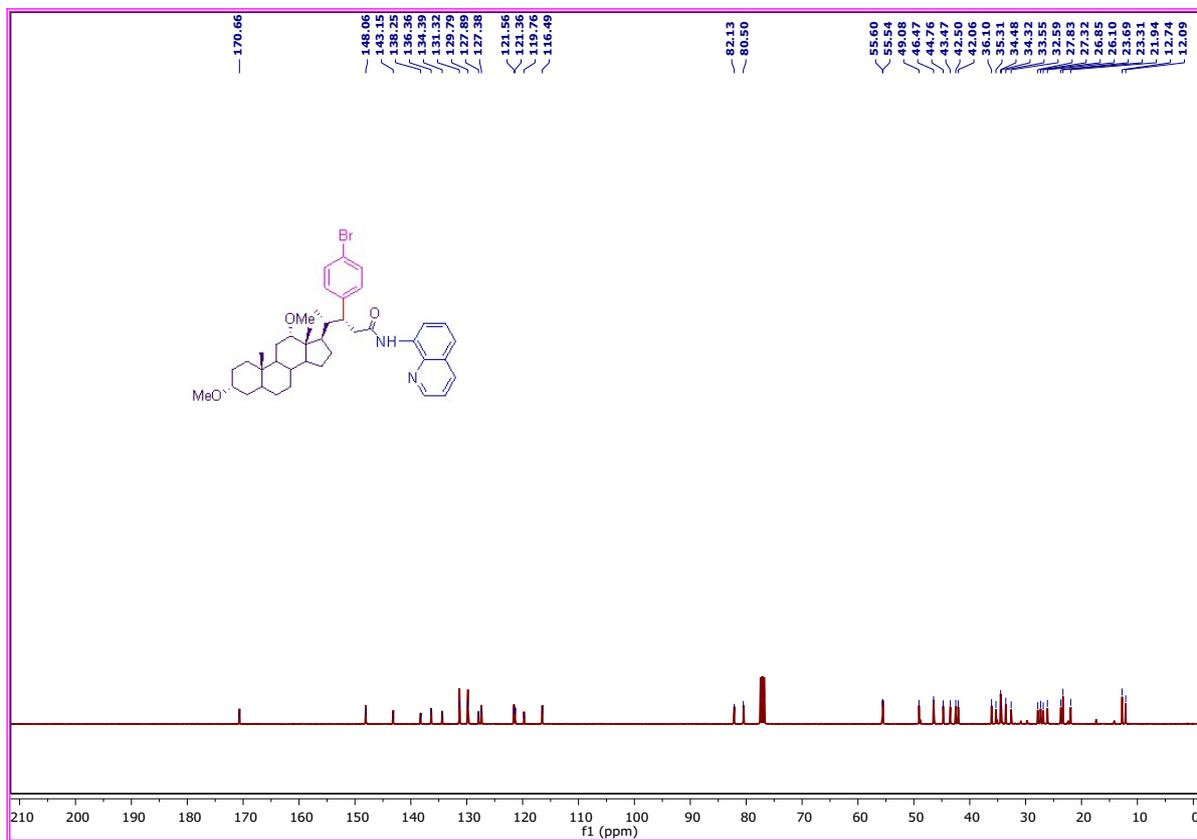
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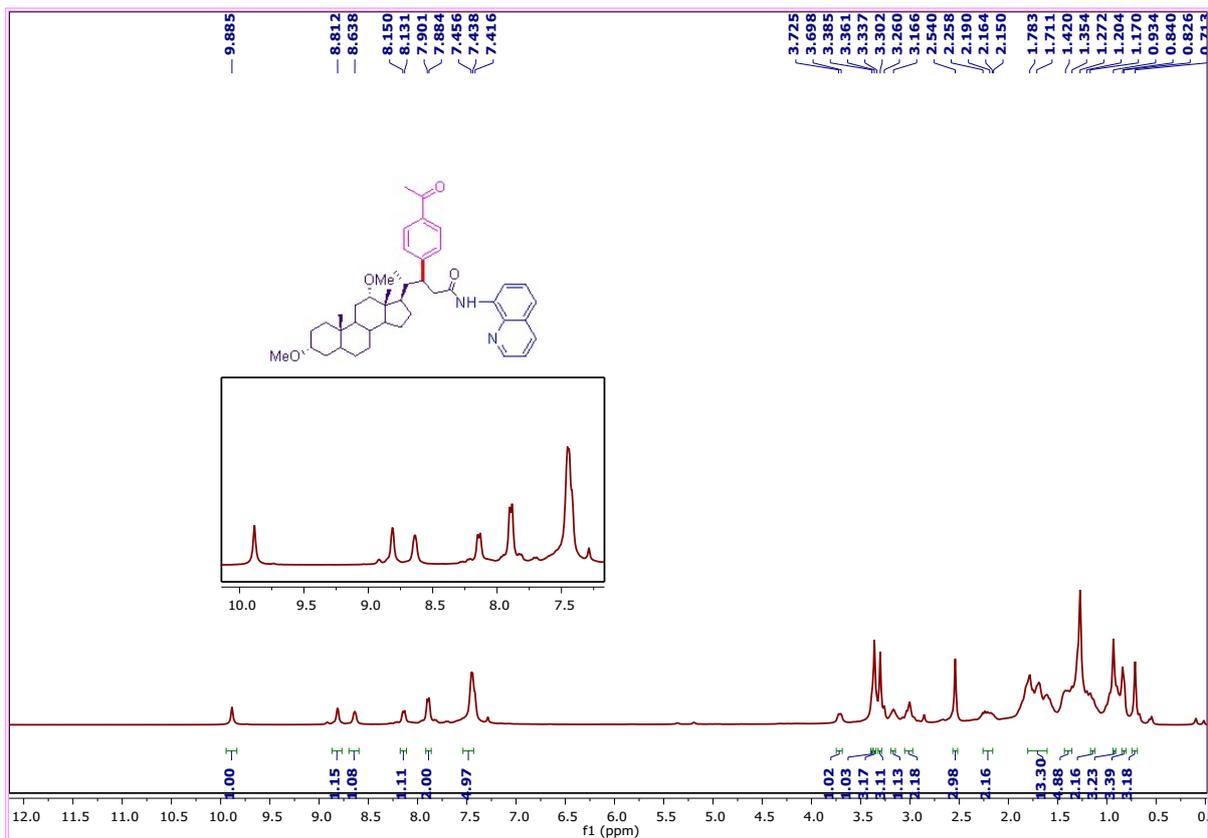
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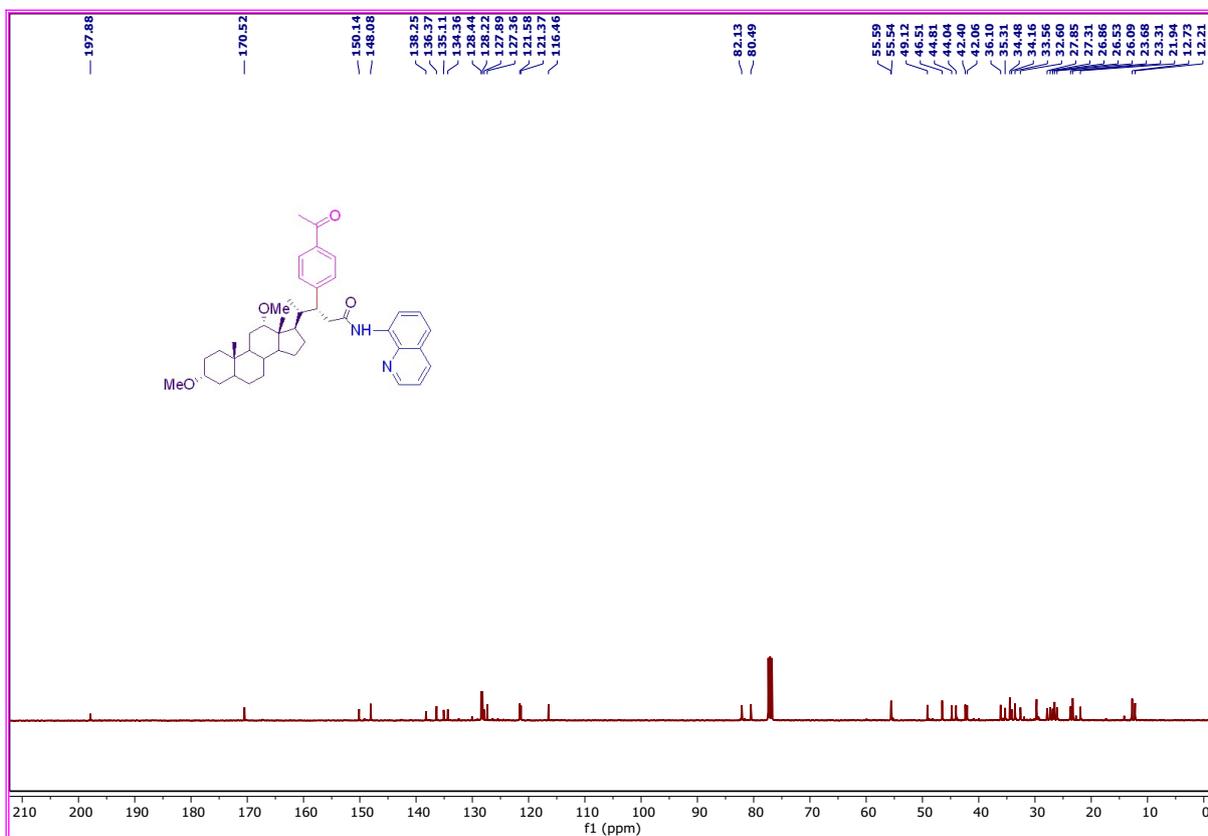
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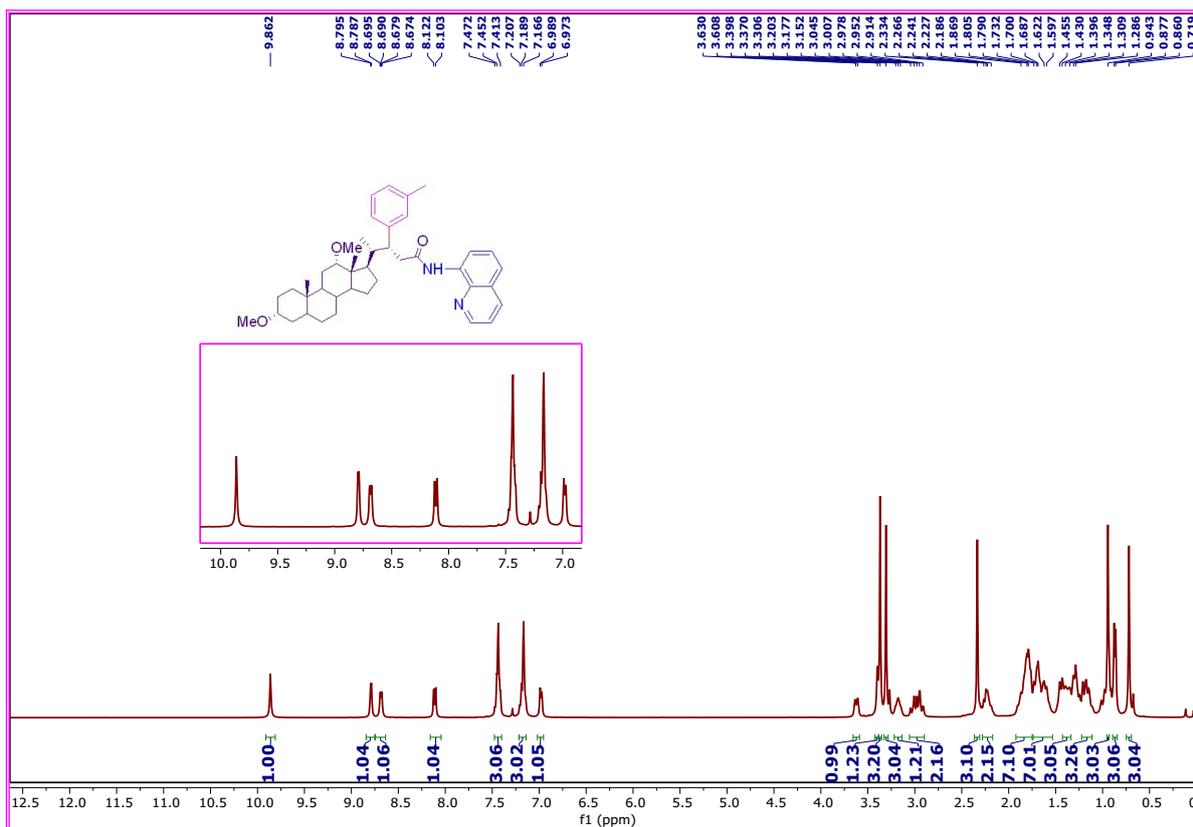
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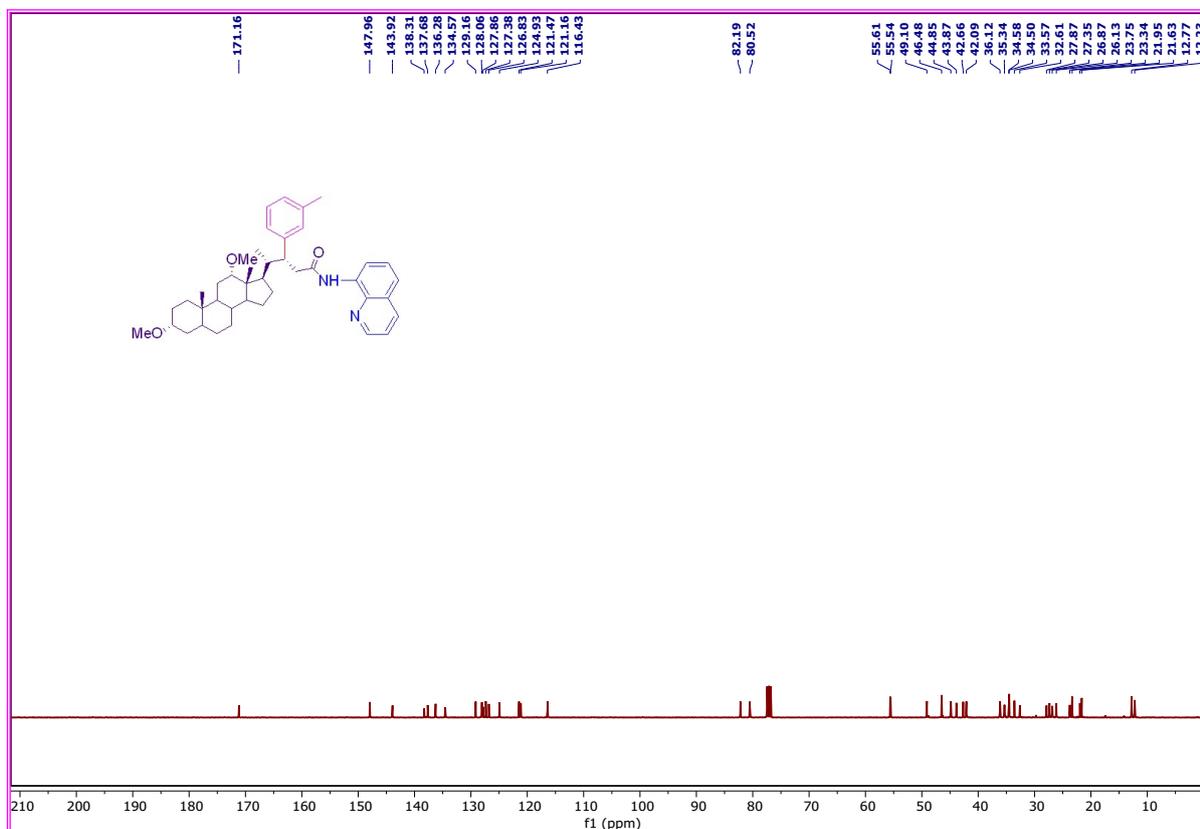
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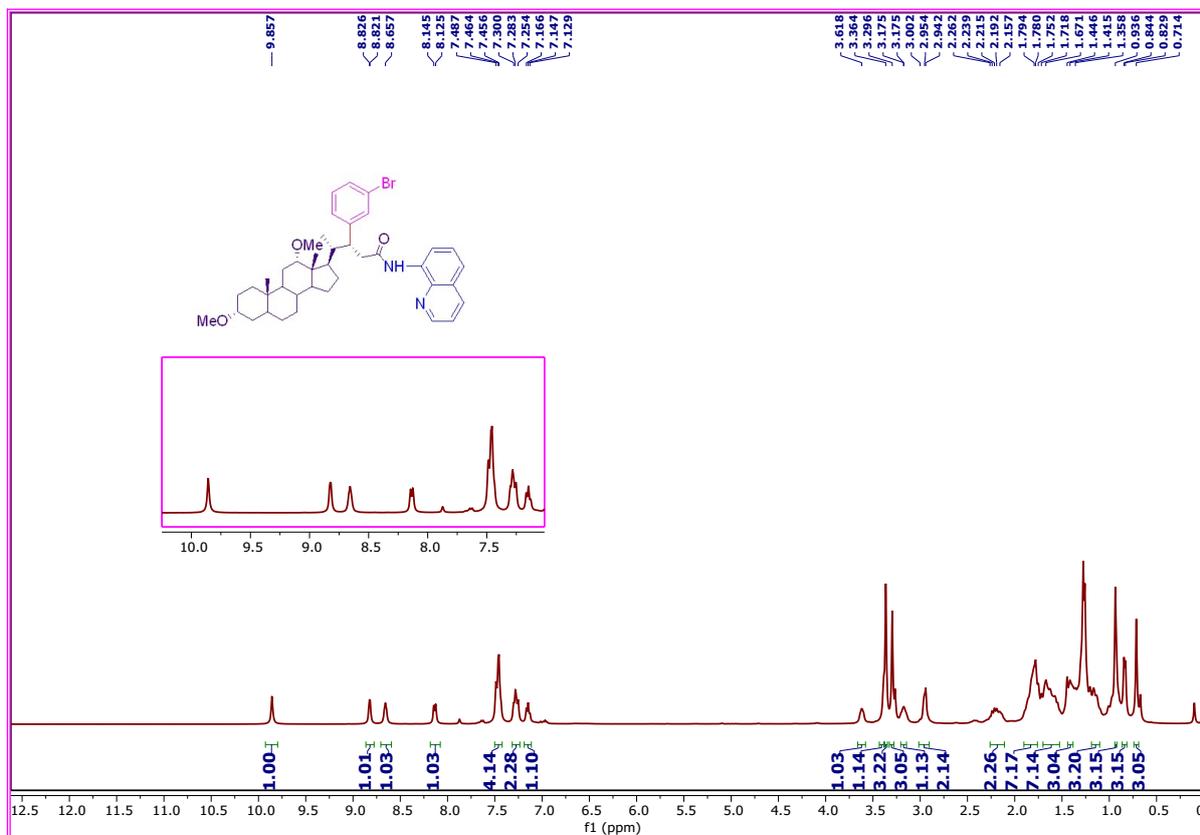
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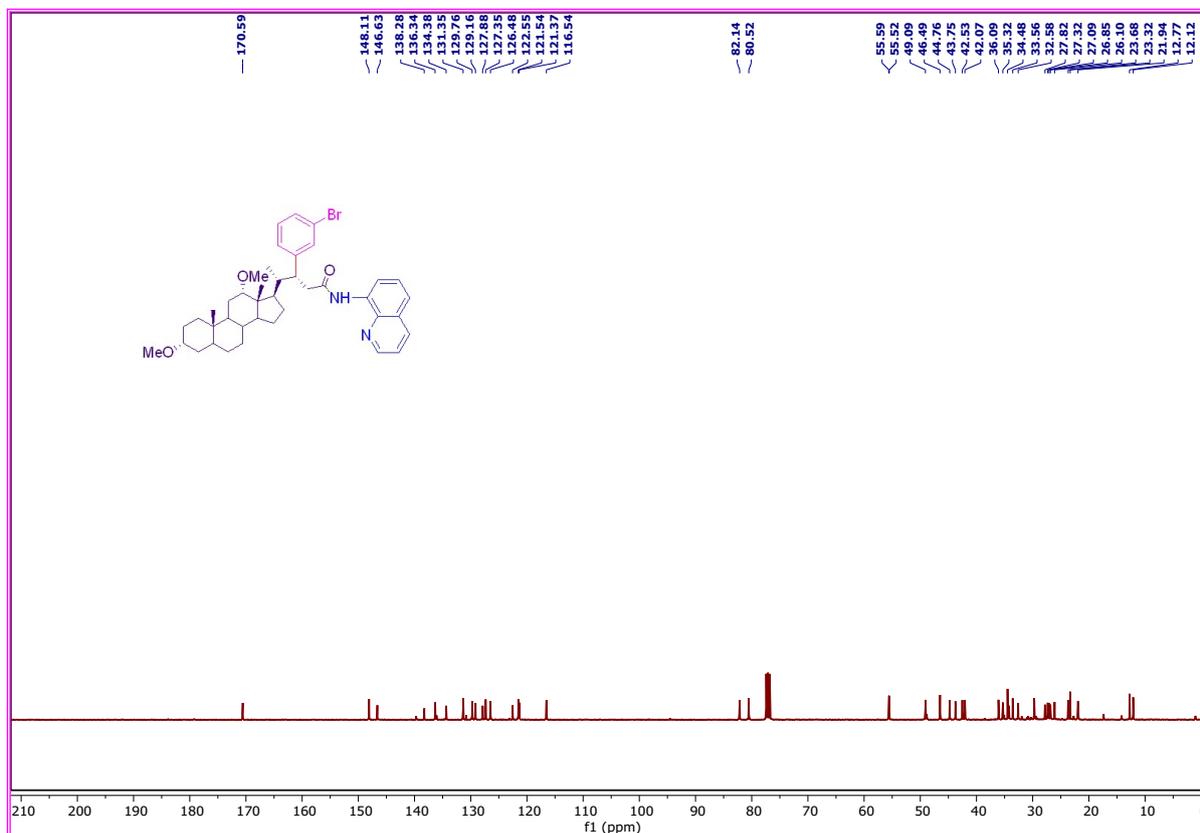
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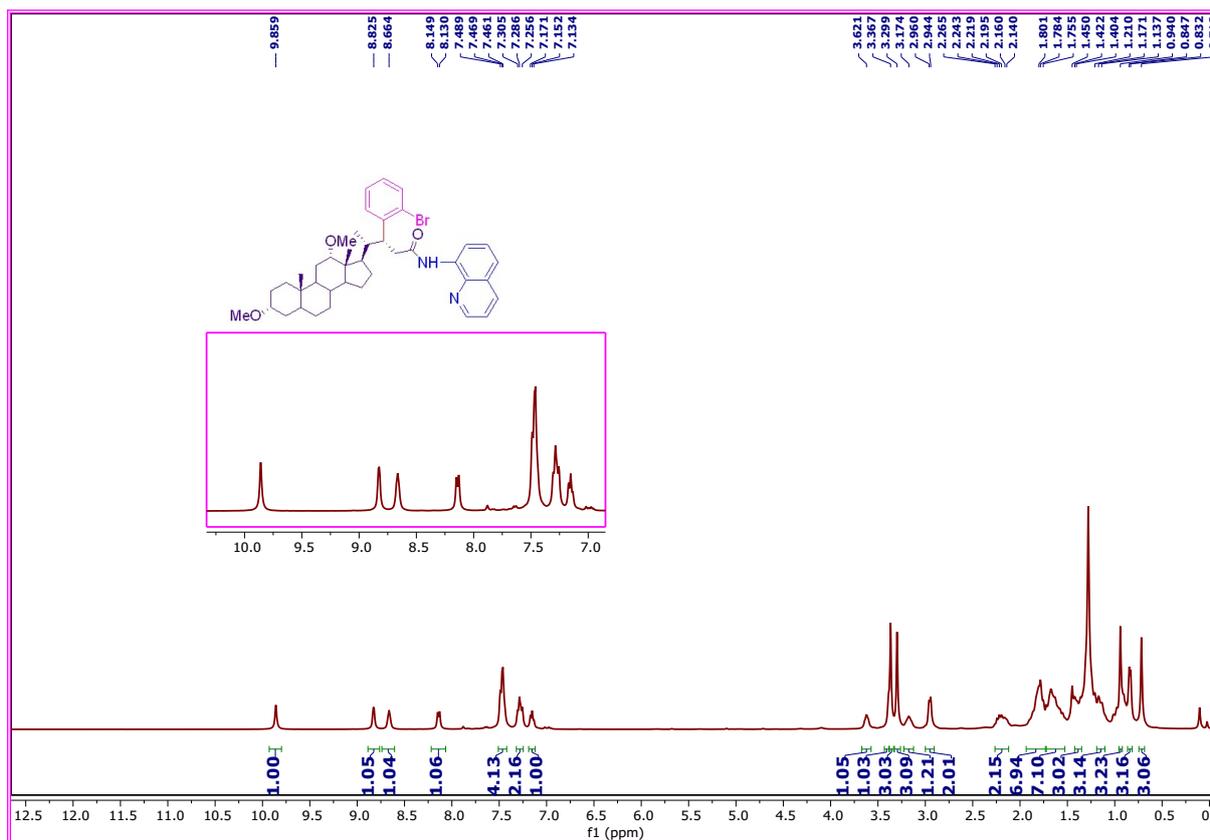
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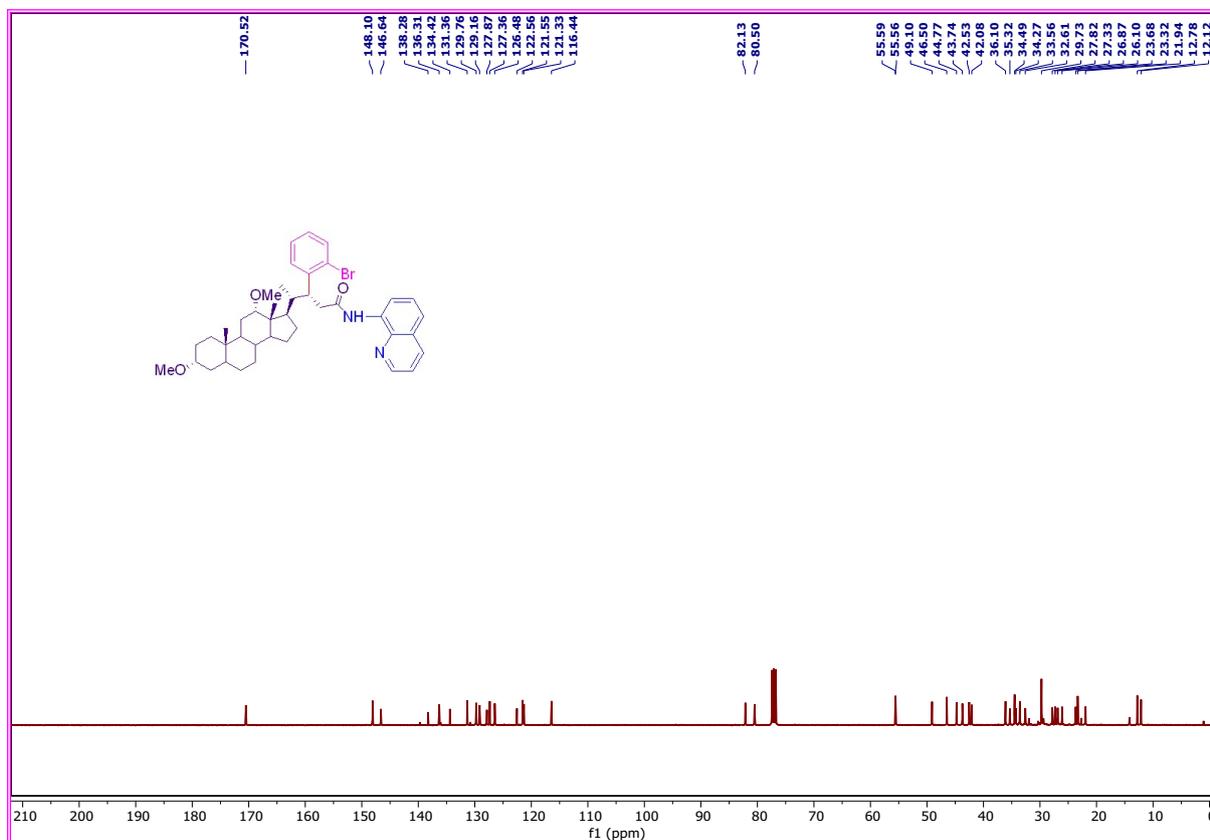
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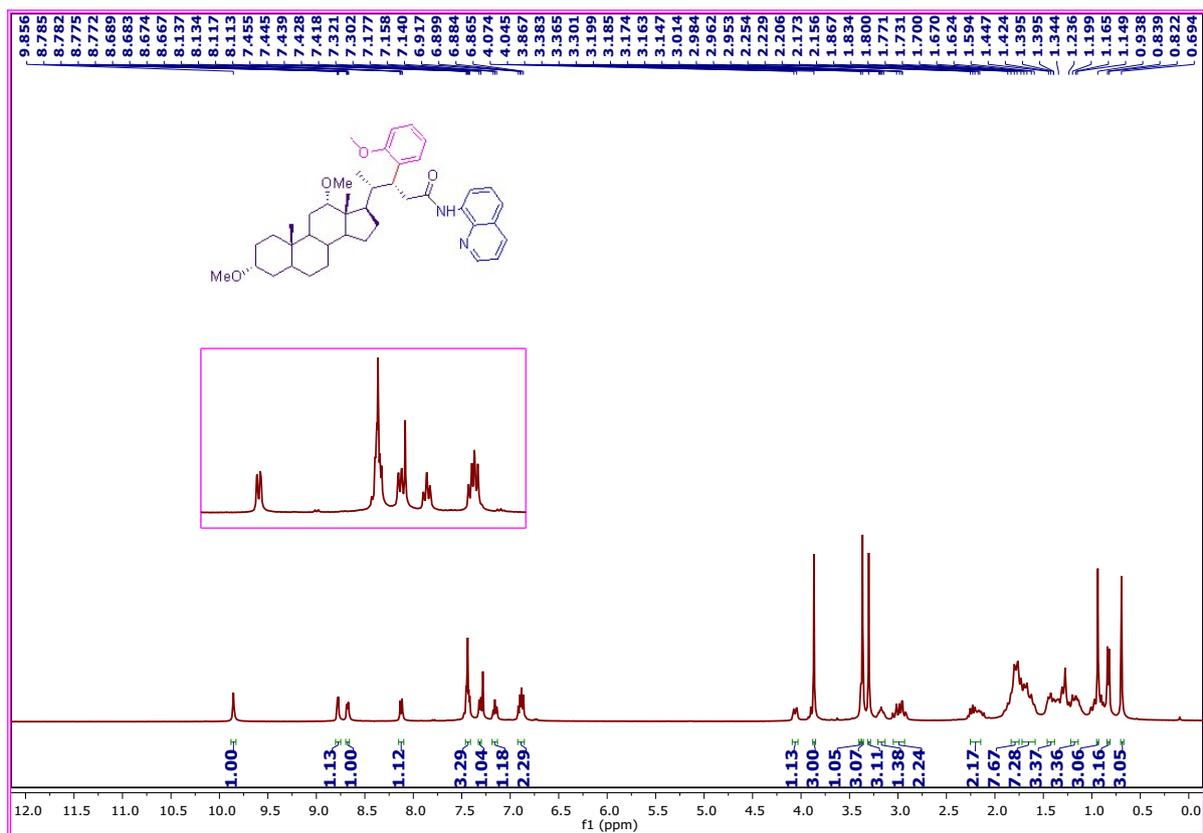
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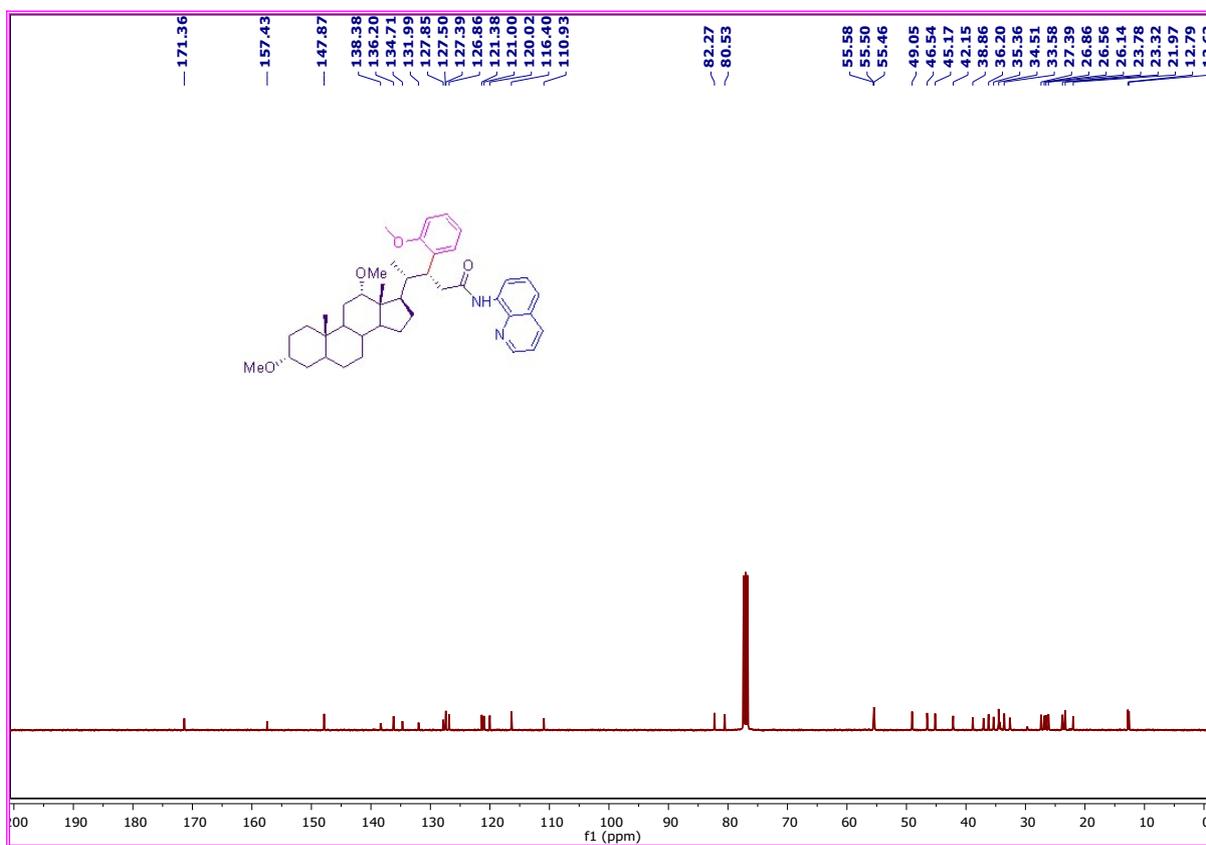
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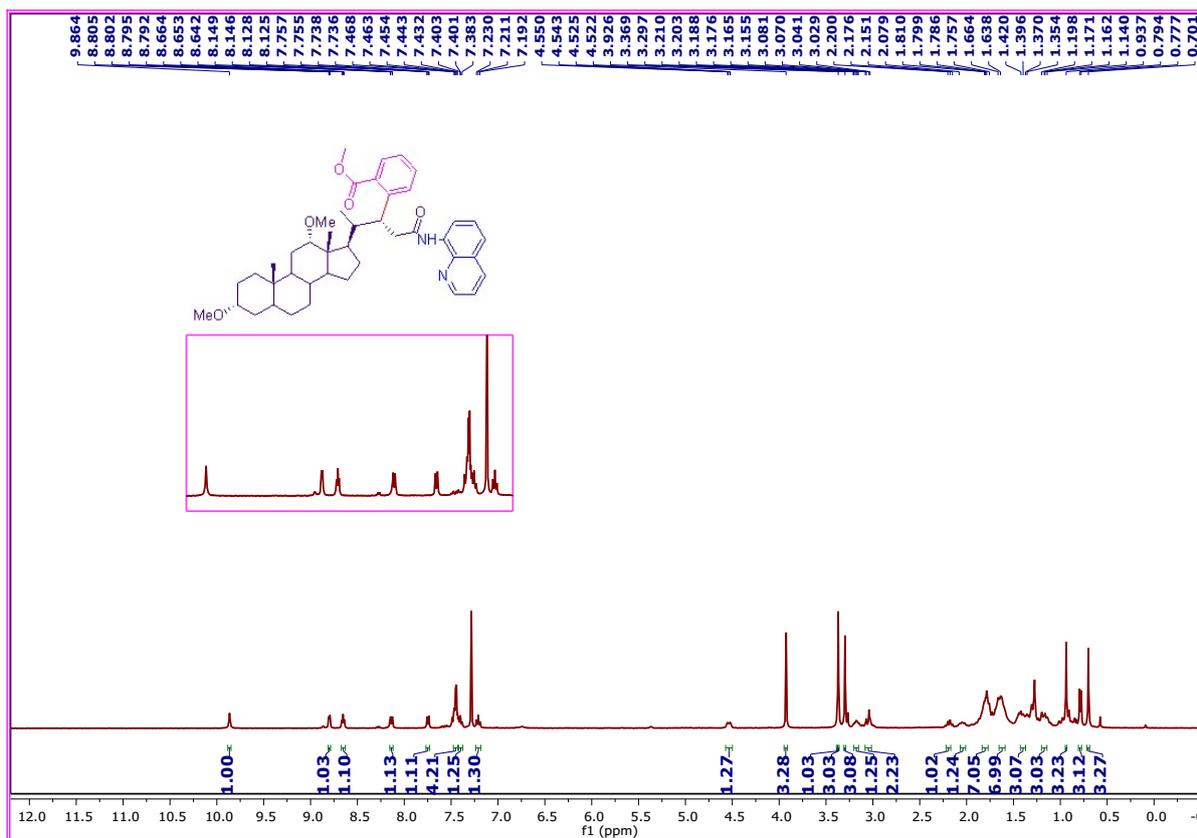
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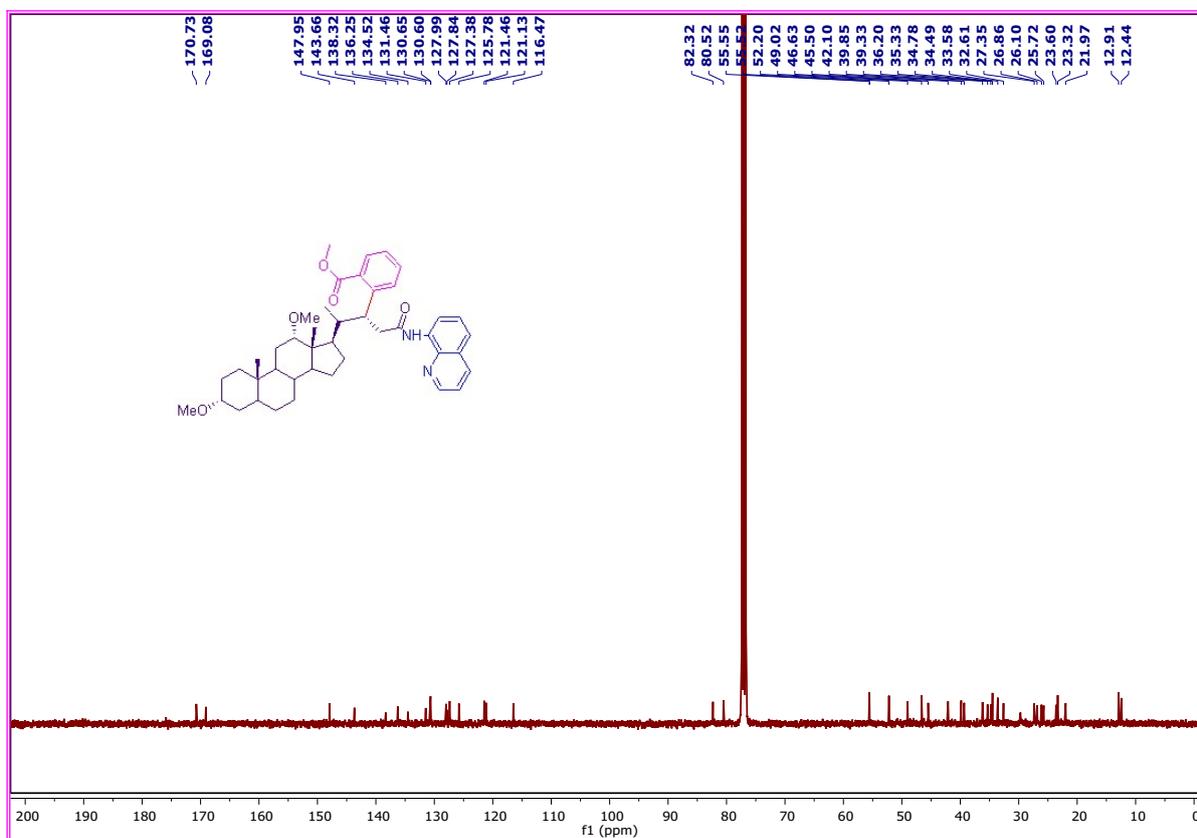
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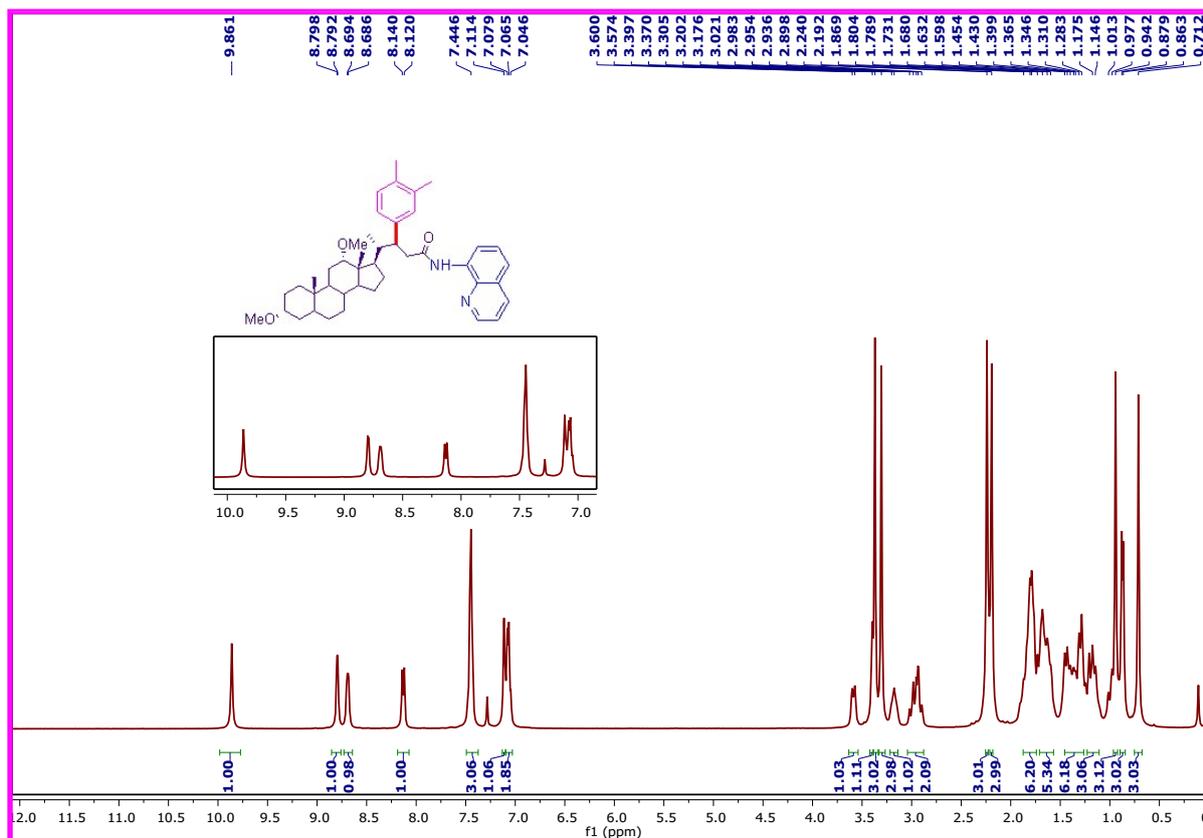
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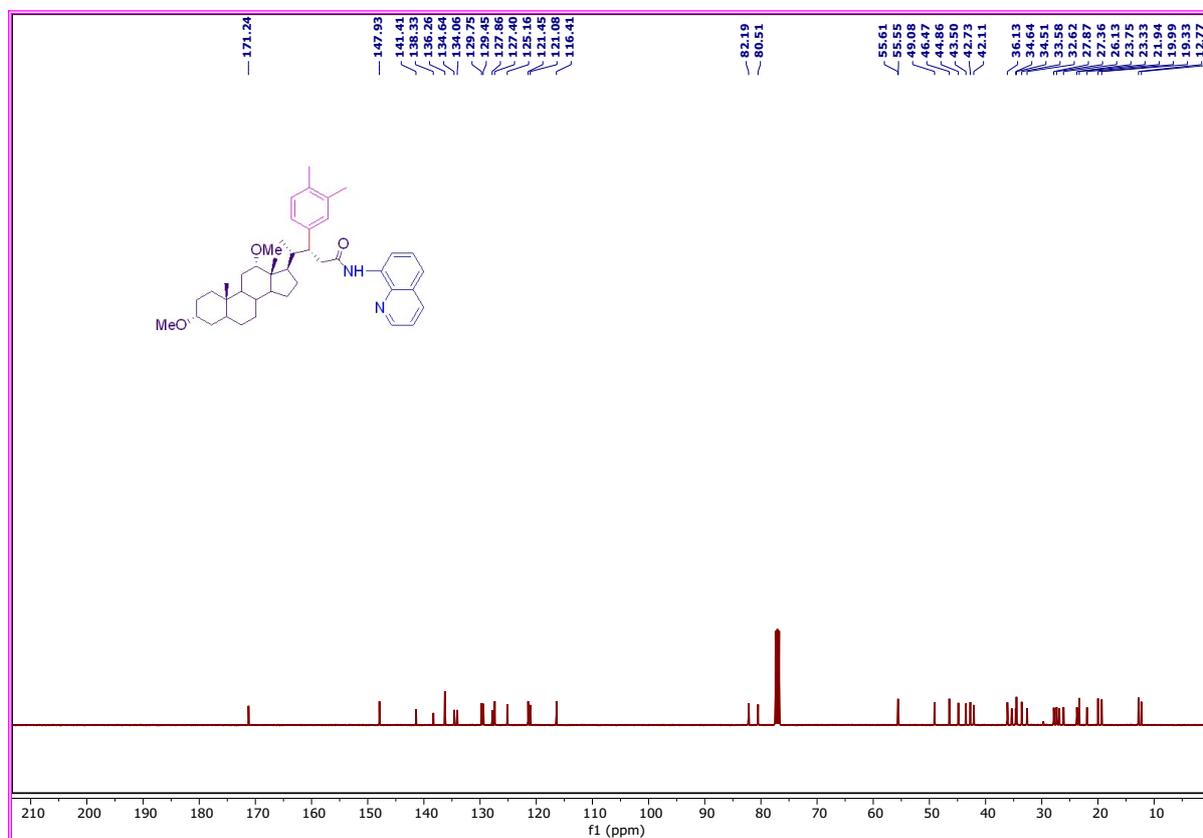
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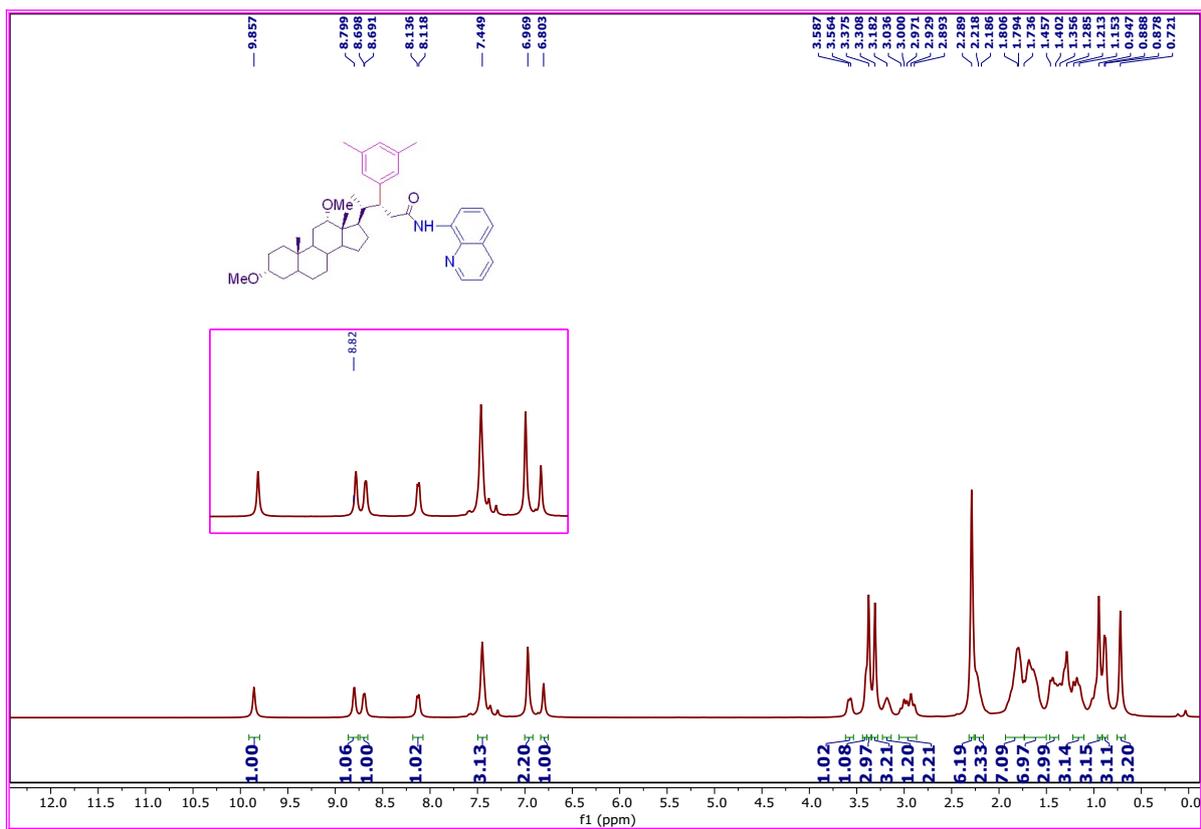
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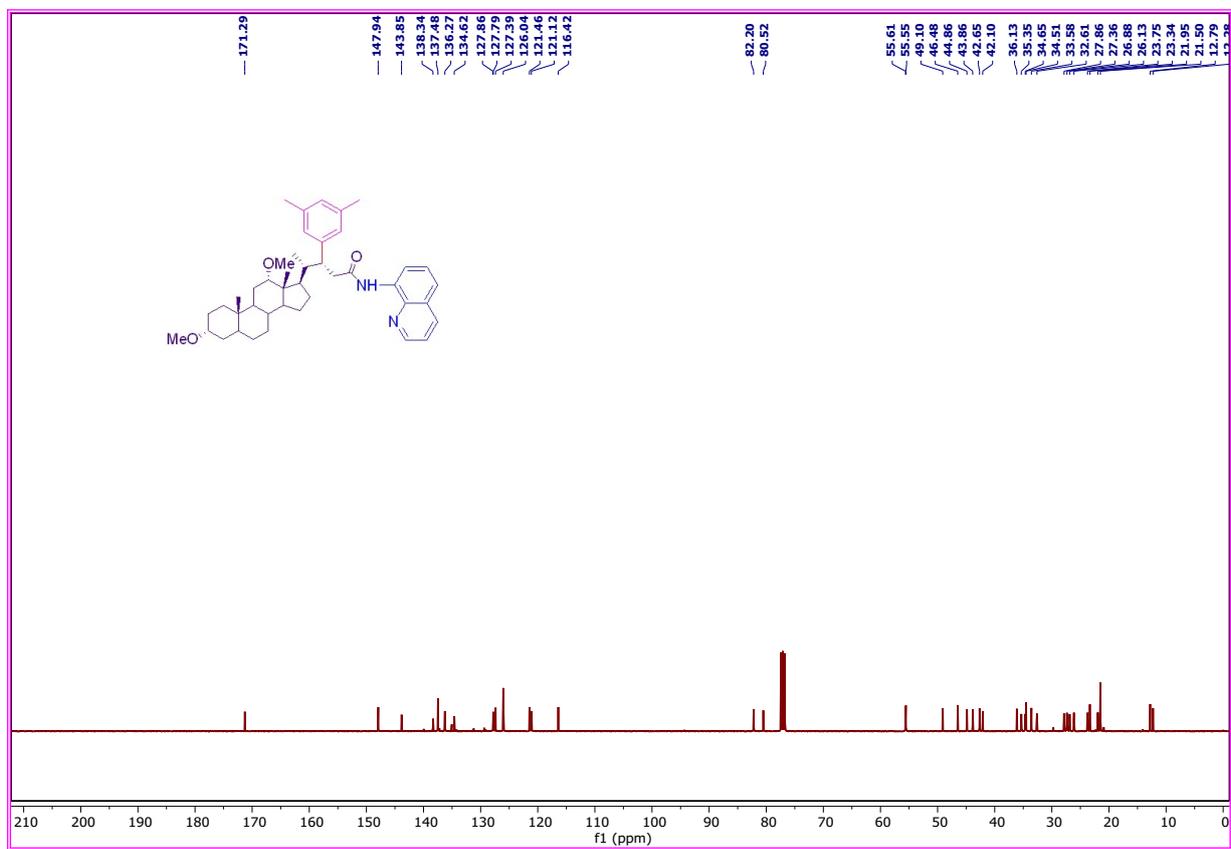
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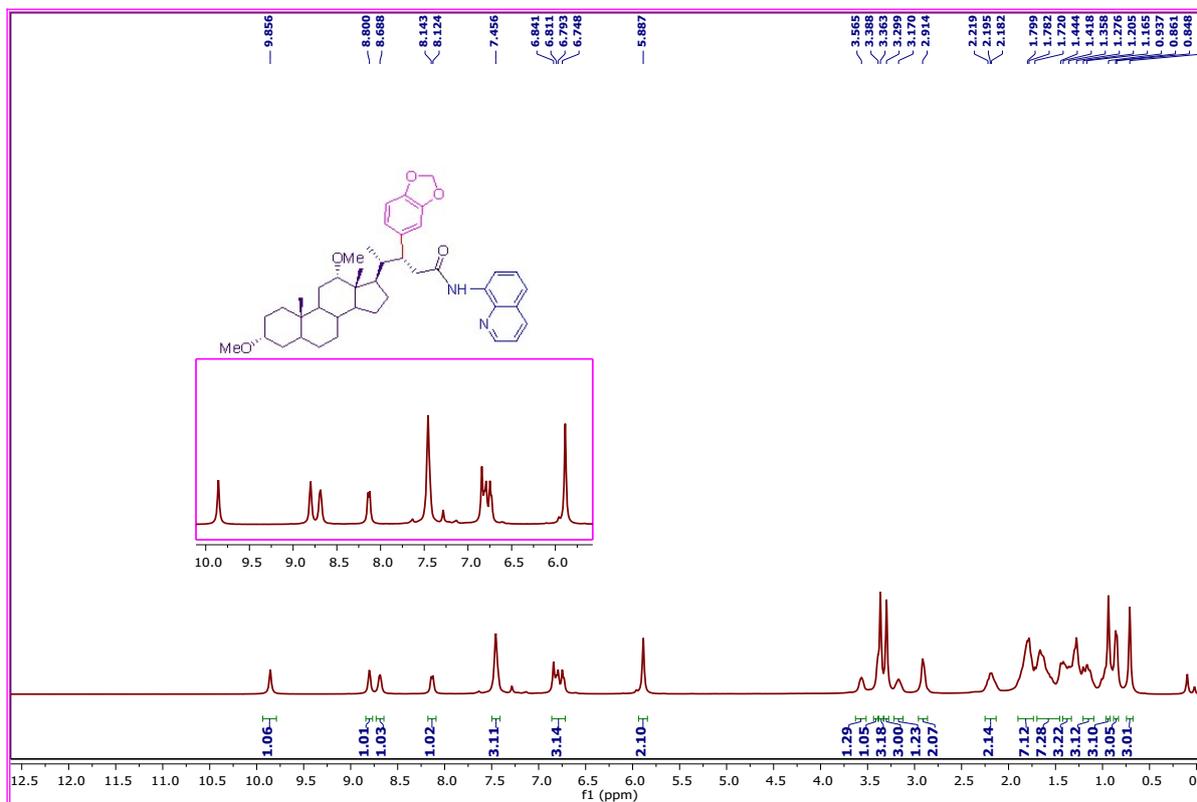
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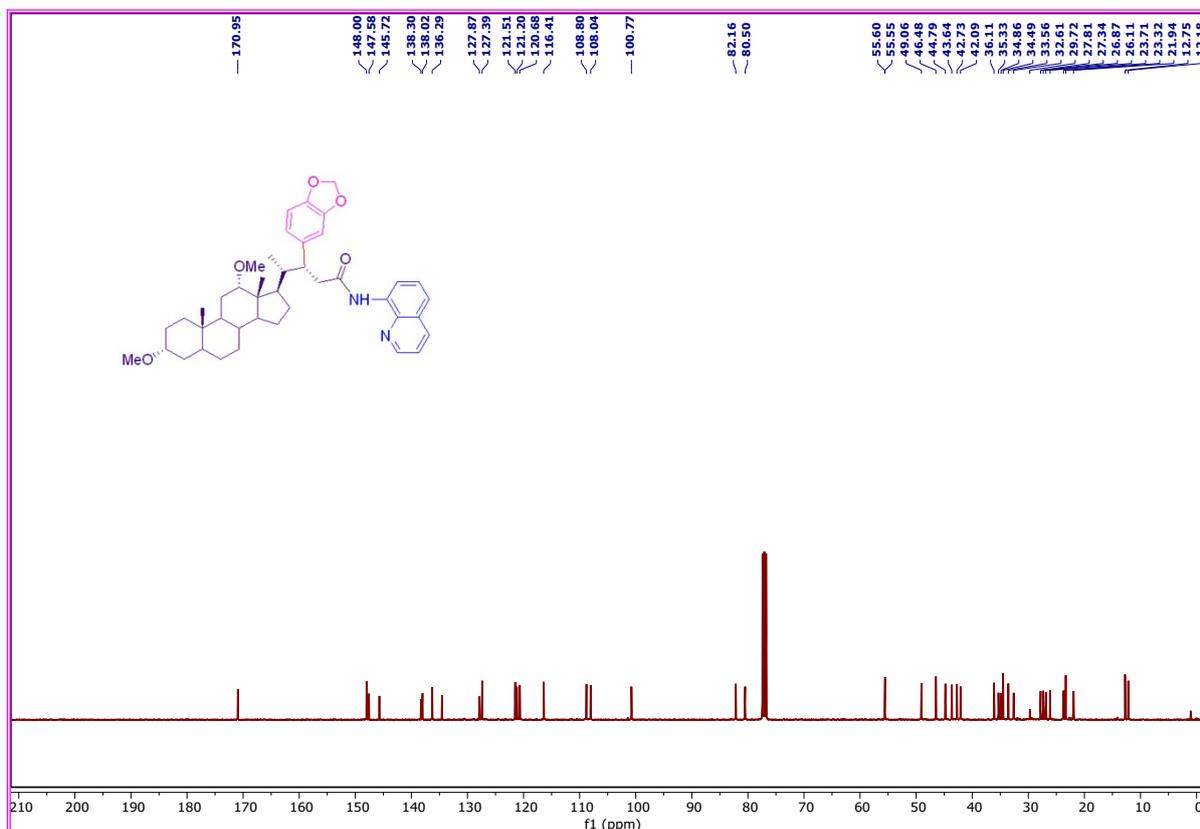
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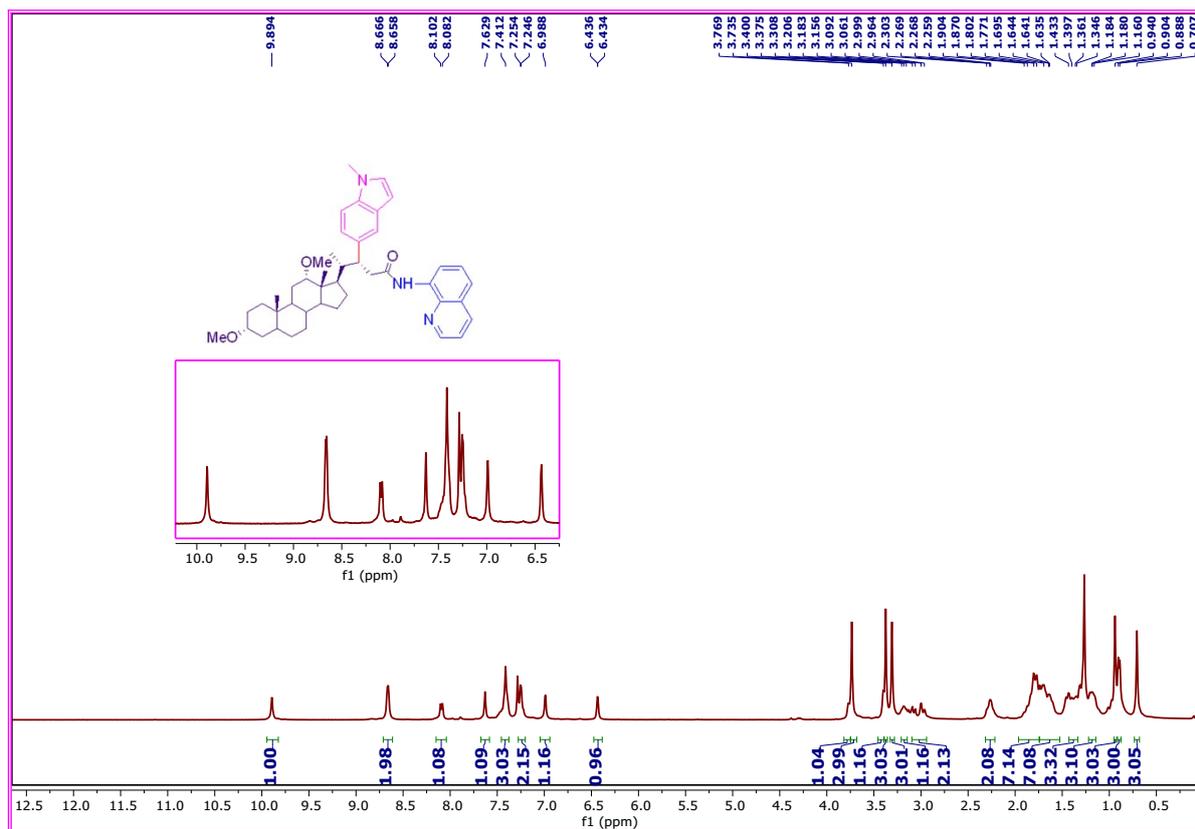
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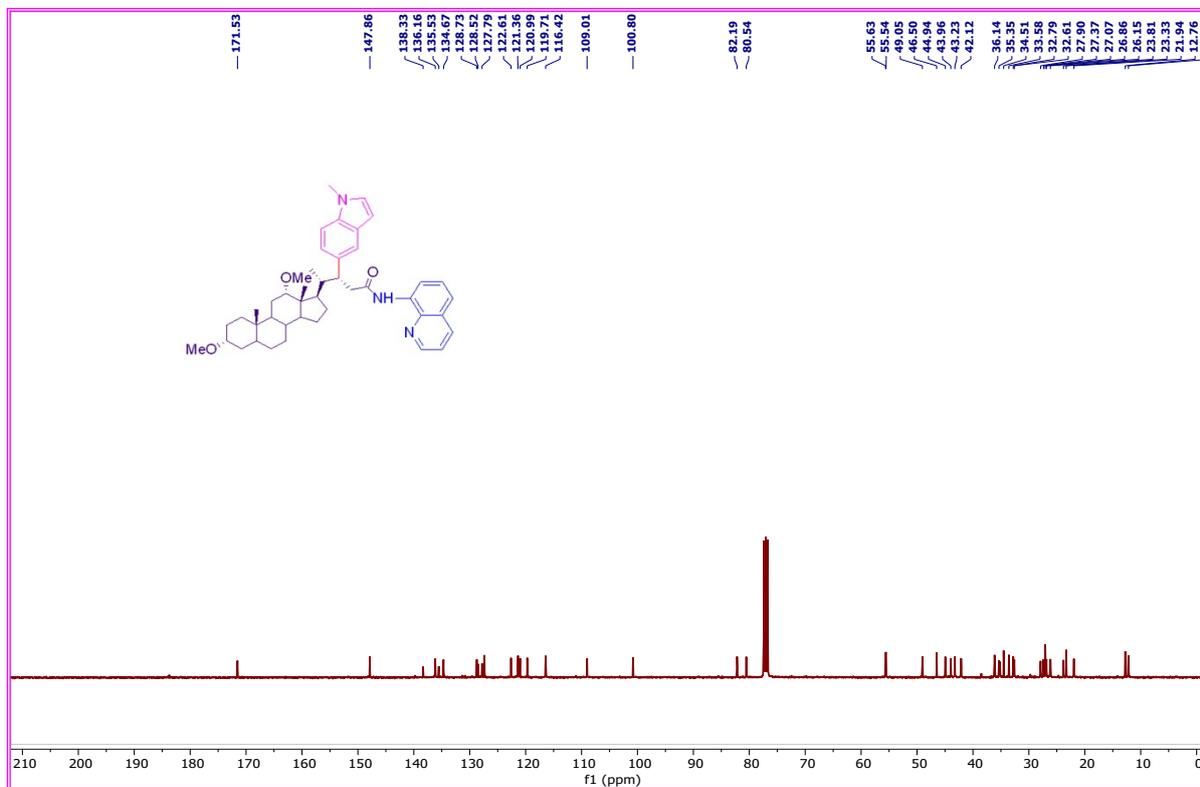
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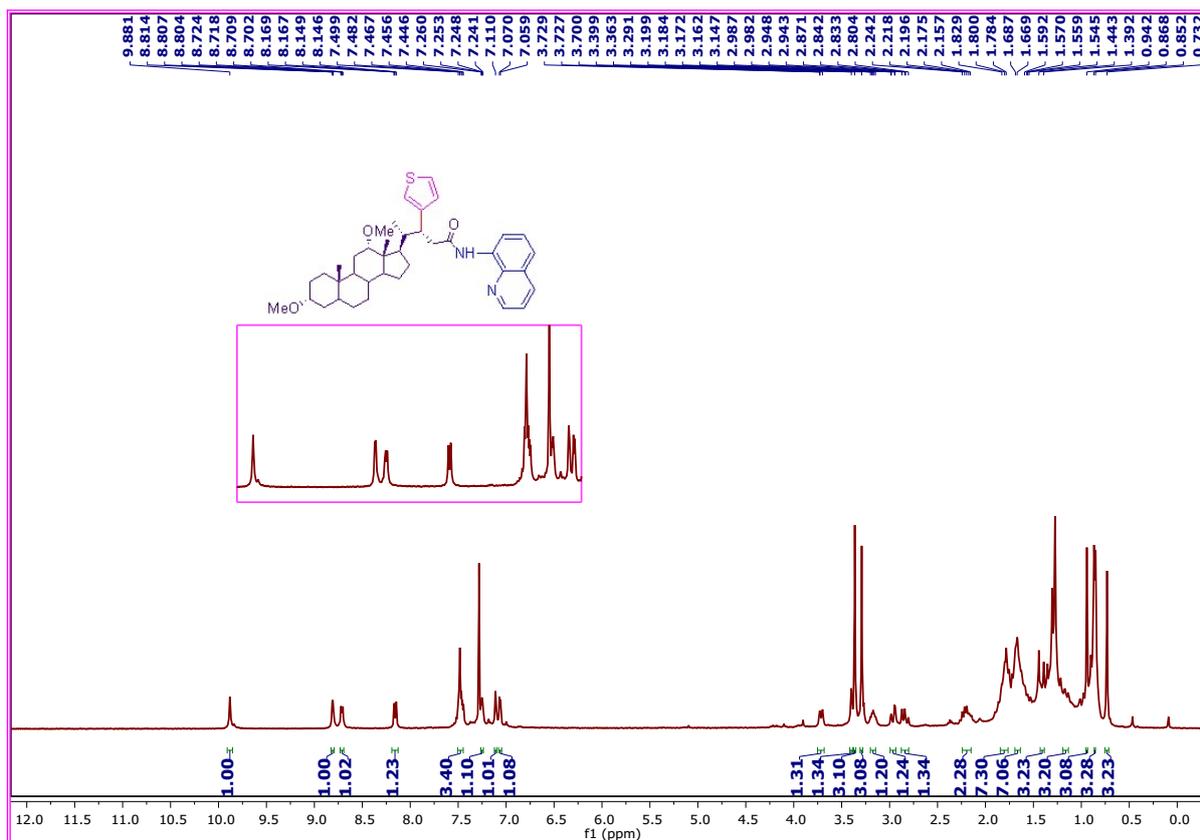
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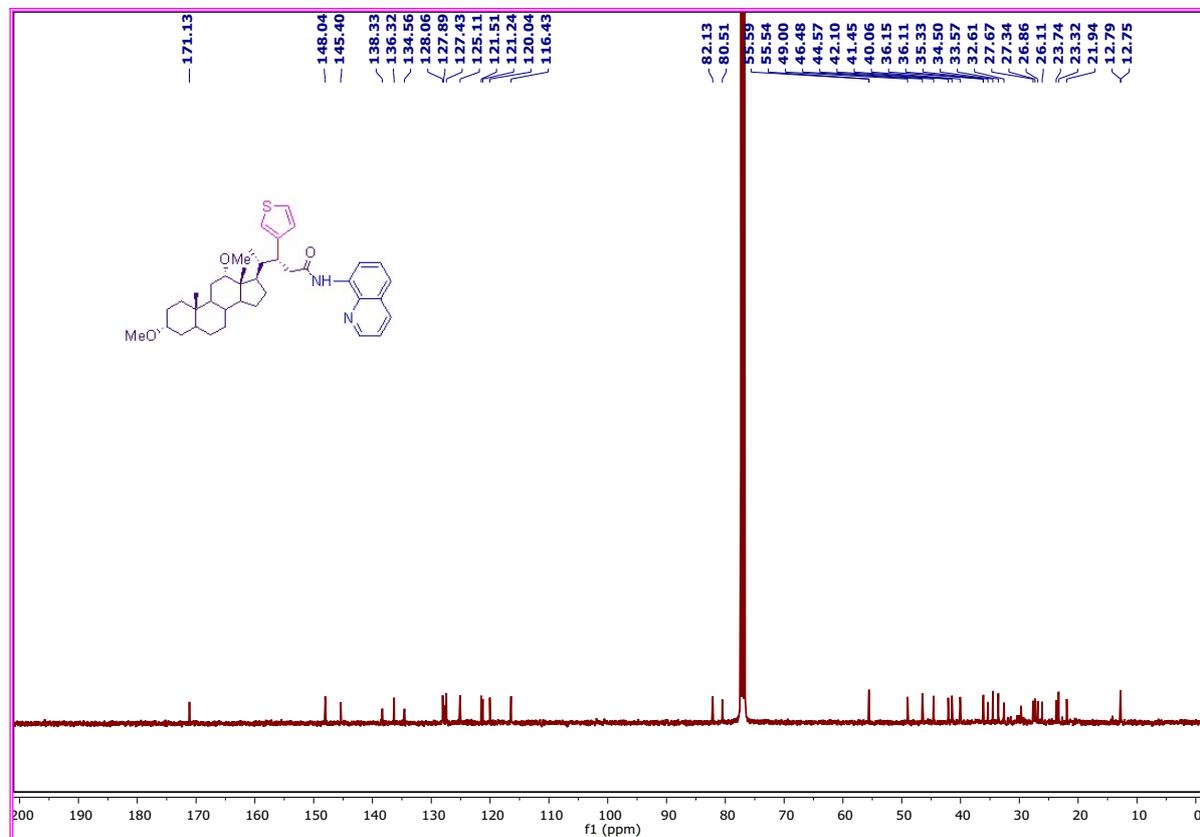
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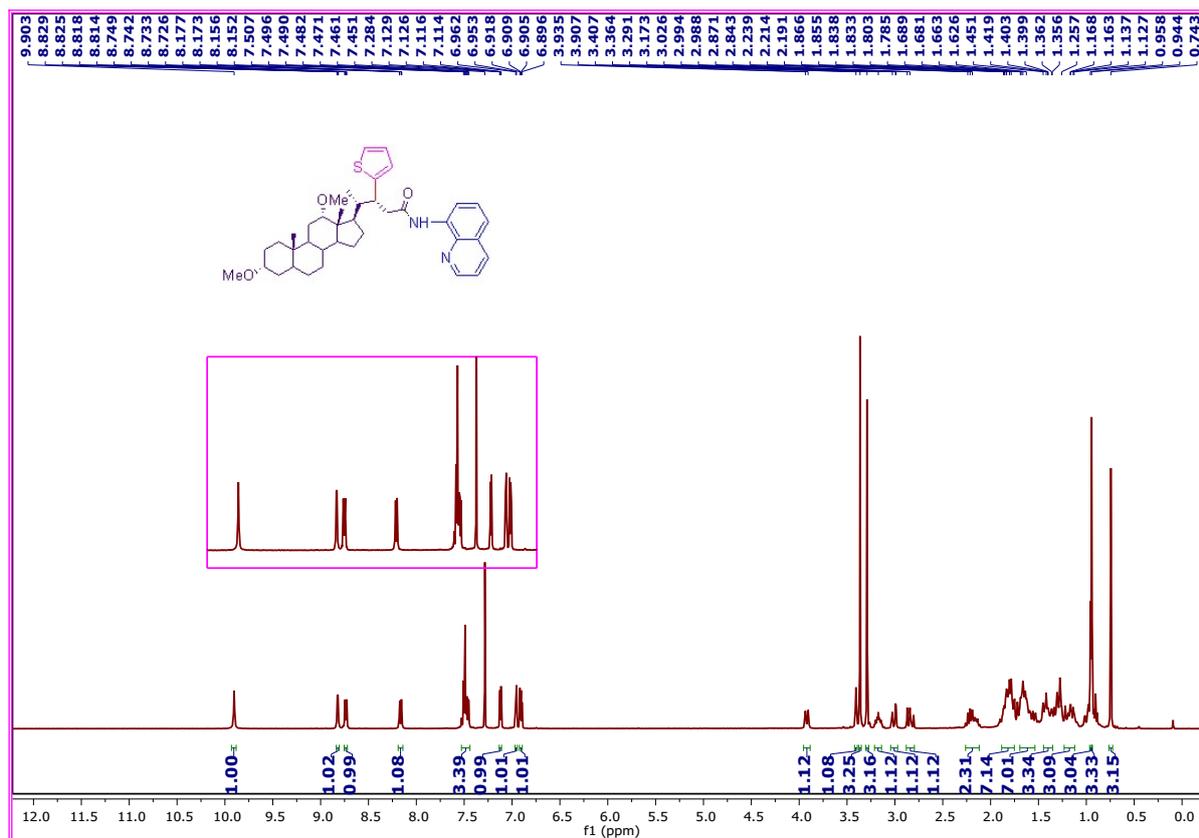
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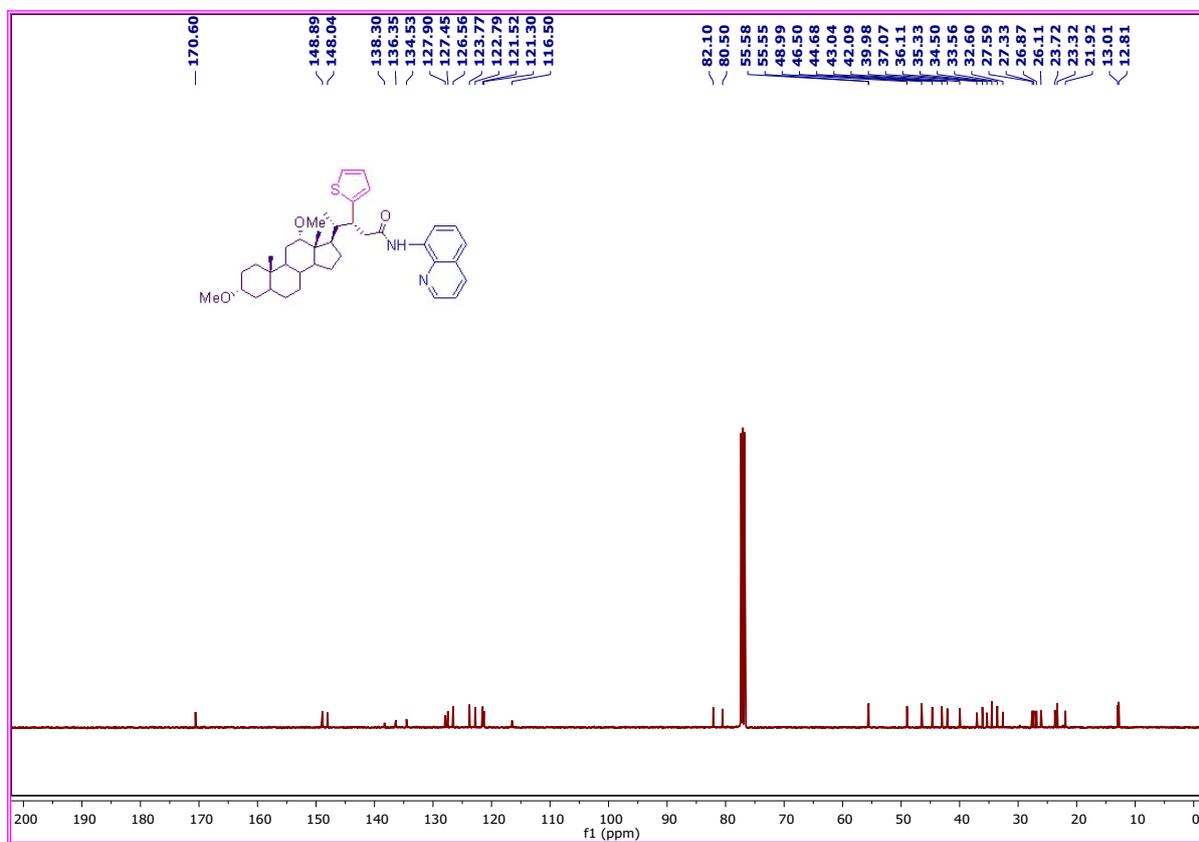
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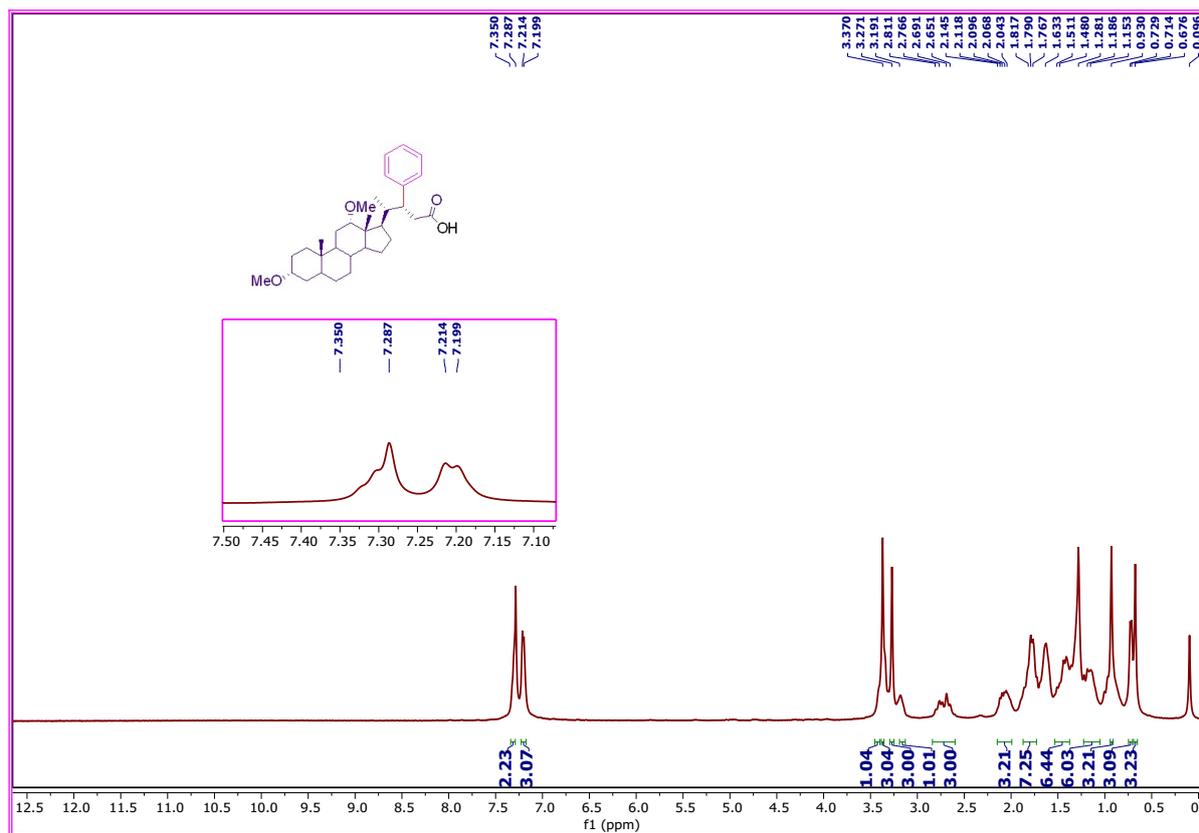
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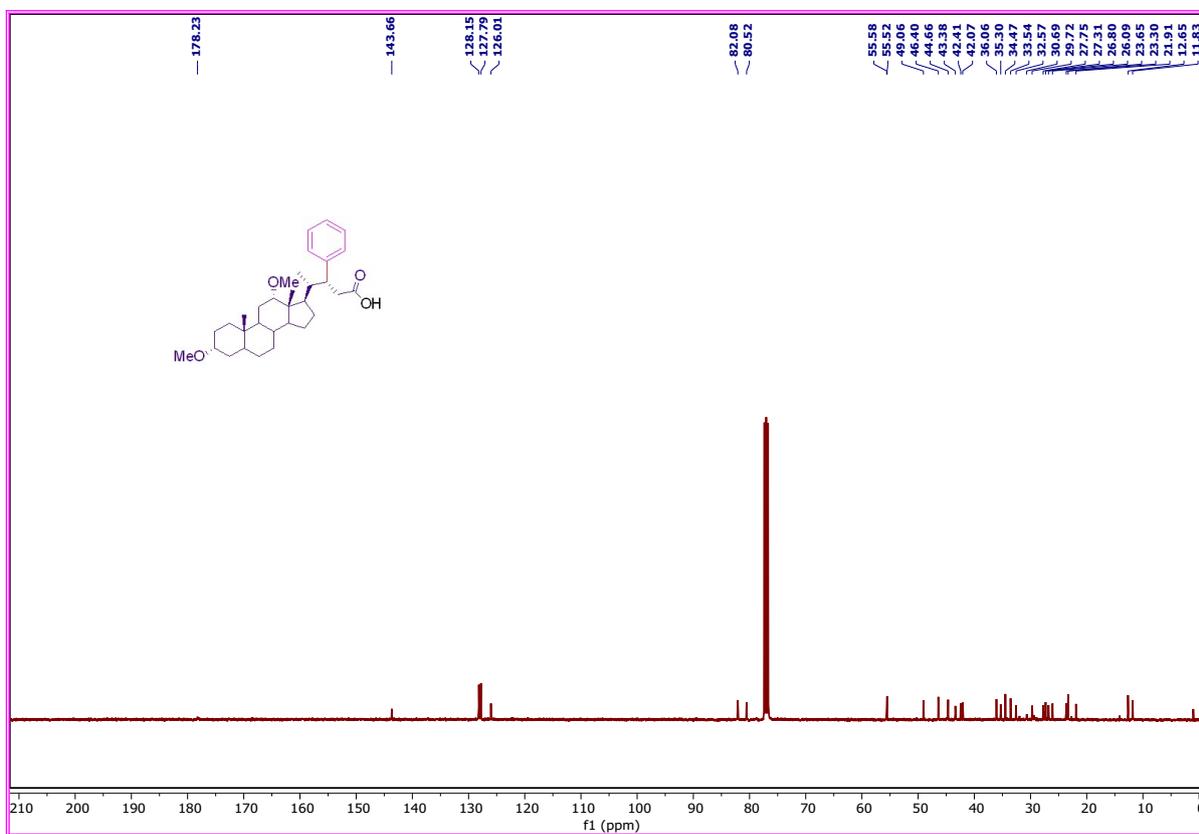
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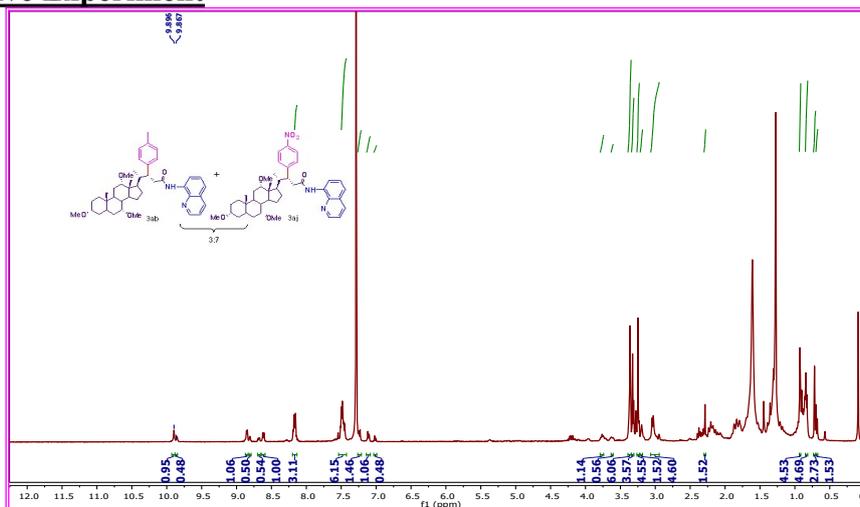
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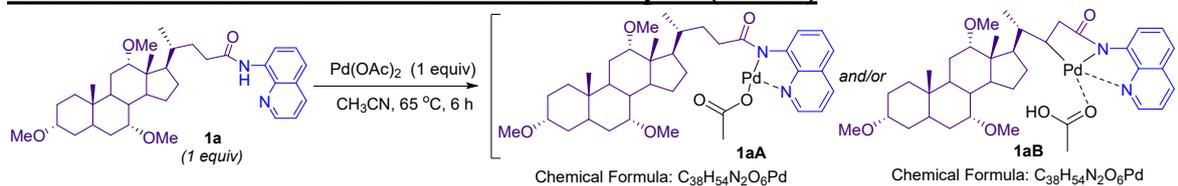
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3. Competitive Experiment



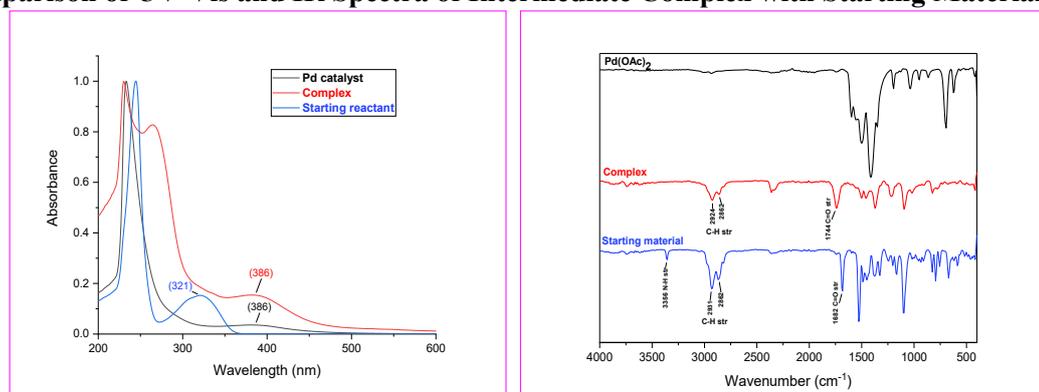
4. Characterization Data of Intermediate Complex (Crude)



Crude Complex

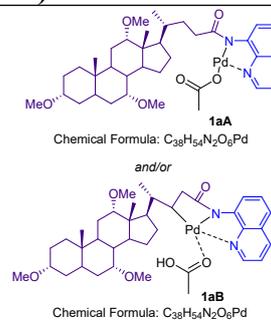
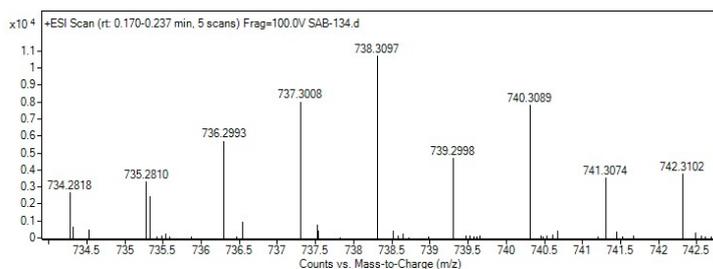
Confirmed by HRMS and comparison of its UV-Vis and IR spectra with that of 1a

Comparison of UV-Vis and IR Spectra of Intermediate Complex with Starting Materials



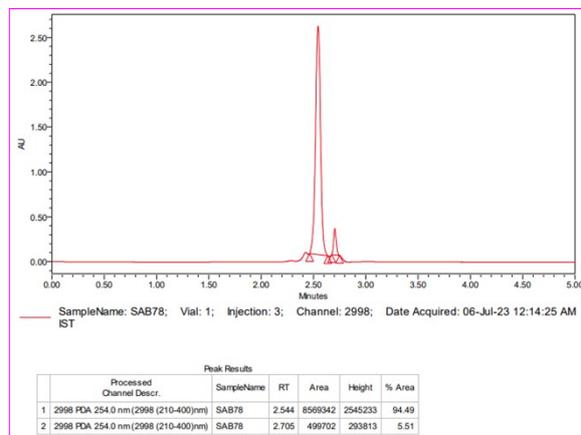
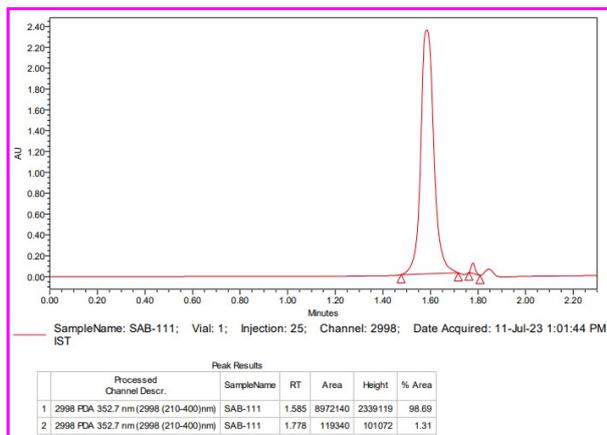
HRMS of the Intermediate Complex (Crude)

detected in crude complex
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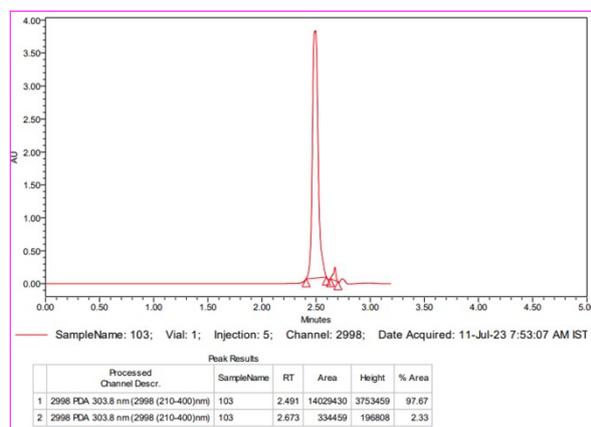
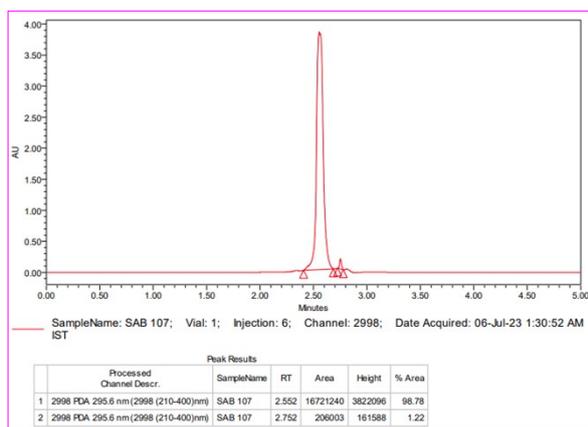


5. HPLC Profiles of 3

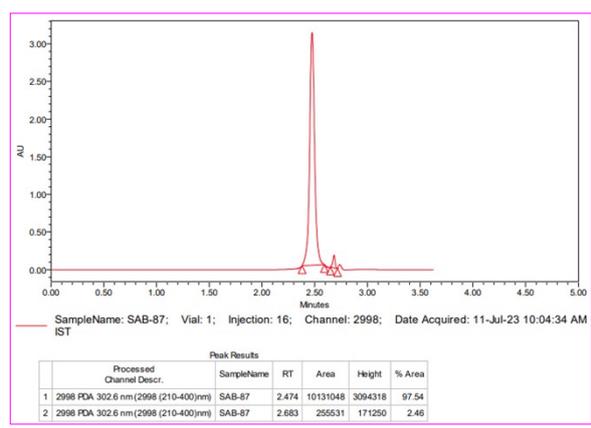
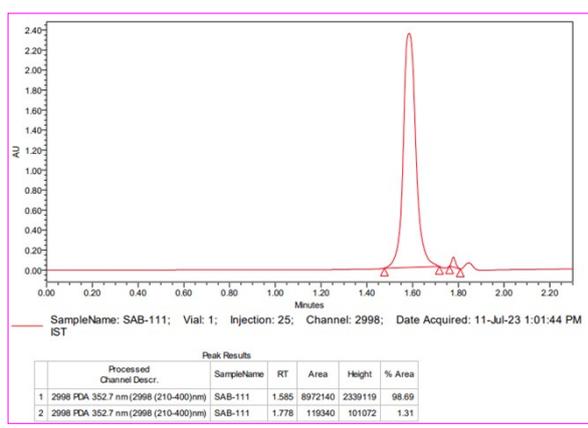
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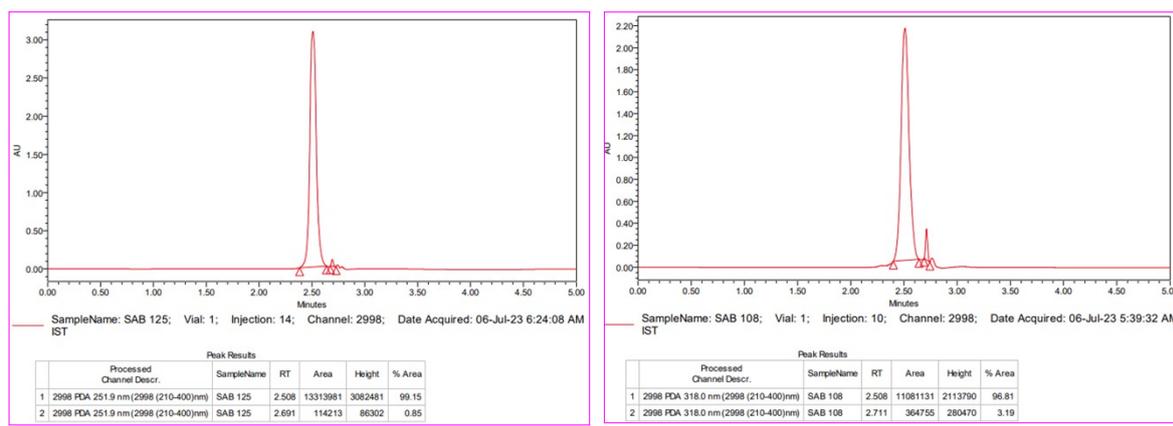
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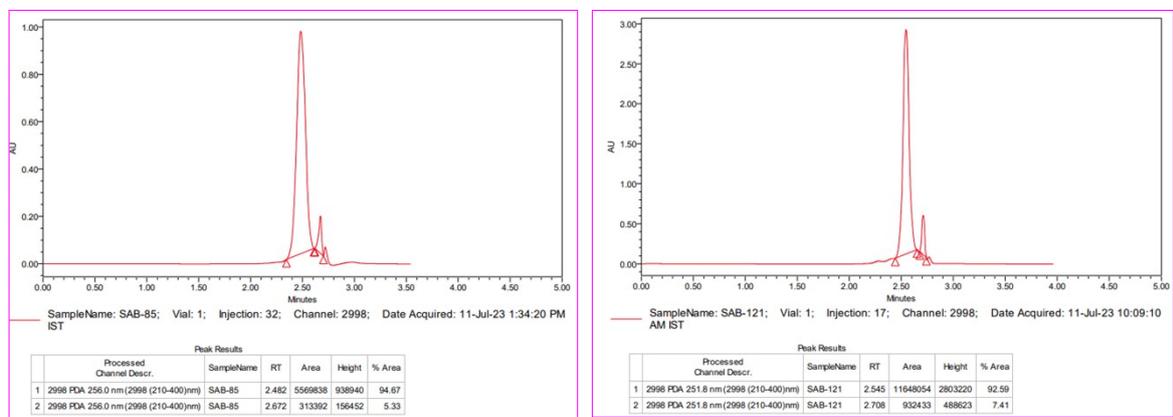
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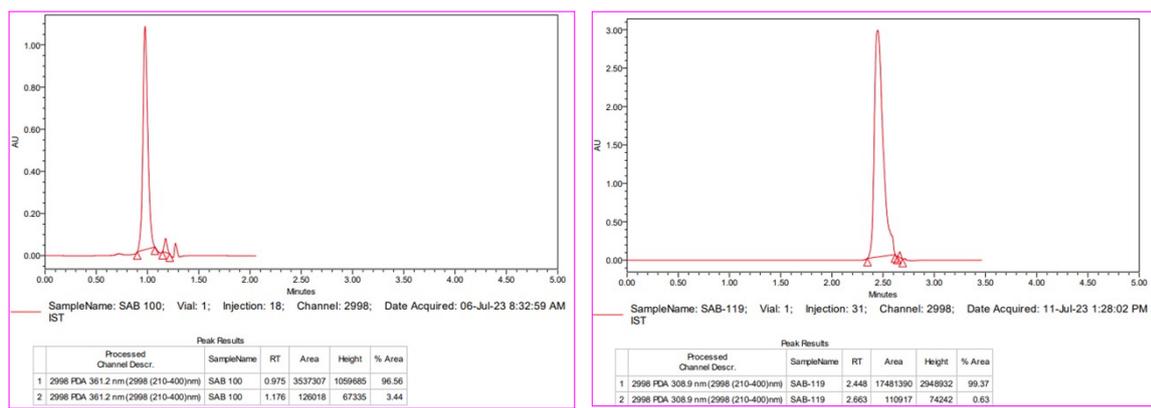
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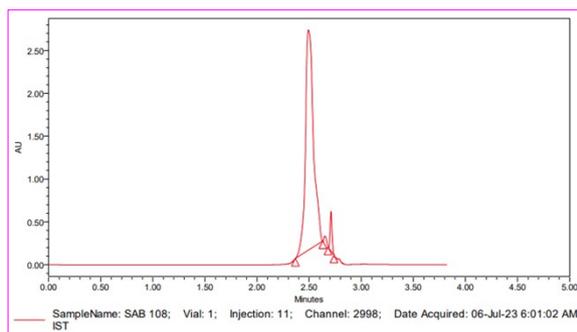
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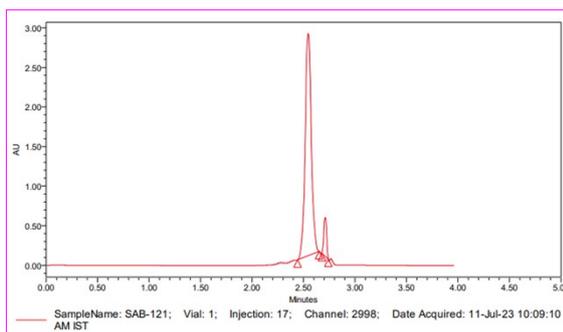
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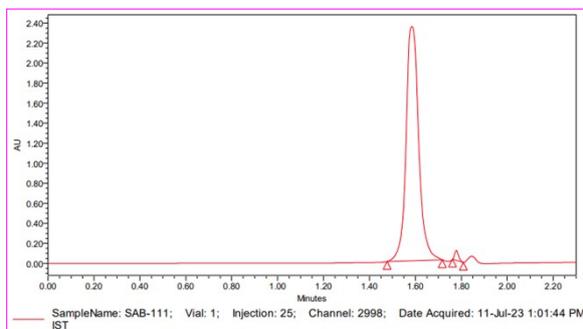


| Peak Results | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|-------|----------|---------|--------|
| Processed Channel Descr. | SampleName | RT | Area | Height | % Area |
| 1 2998 PDA 247.5 nm(2998 (210-400)nm) | SAB 108 | 2.493 | 13810061 | 2568803 | 96.08 |
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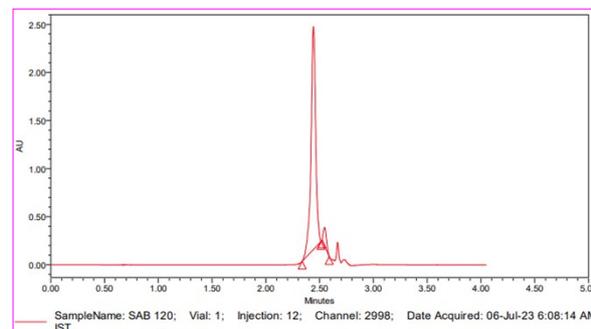


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| 1 2998 PDA 251.8 nm(2998 (210-400)nm) | SAB-121 | 2.545 | 11648054 | 2803220 | 92.59 |
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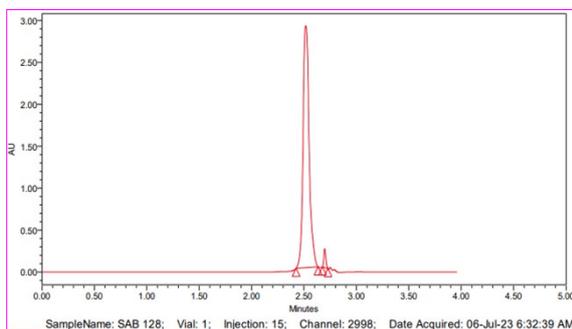


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| 1 2998 PDA 352.7 nm(2998 (210-400)nm) | SAB-111 | 1.585 | 8972140 | 2339119 | 98.69 |
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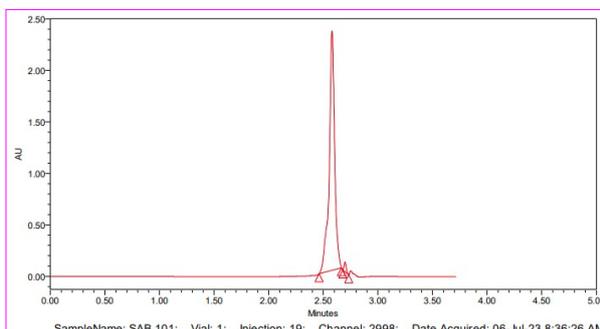


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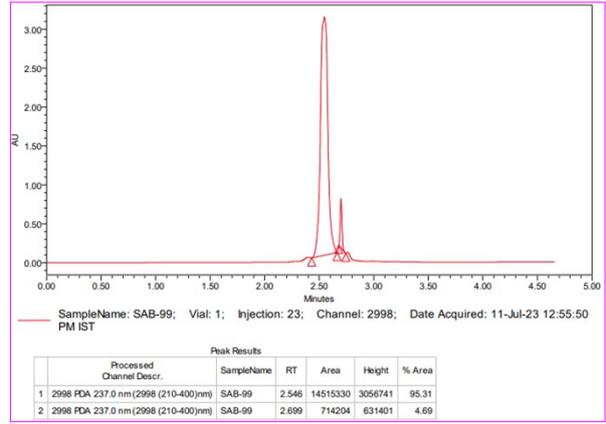
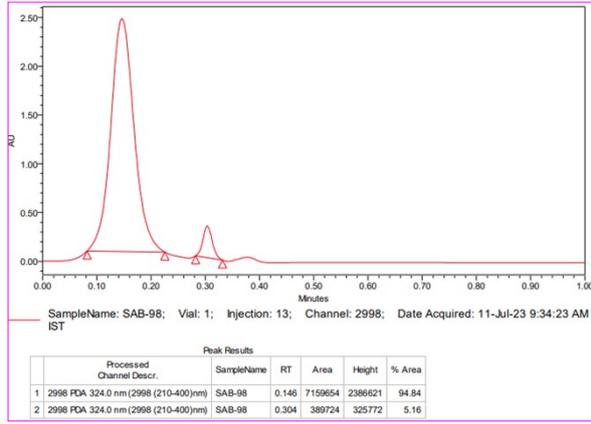


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| 1 2998 PDA 254.2 nm(2998 (210-400)nm) | SAB 128 | 2.517 | 11598420 | 2882990 | 97.51 |
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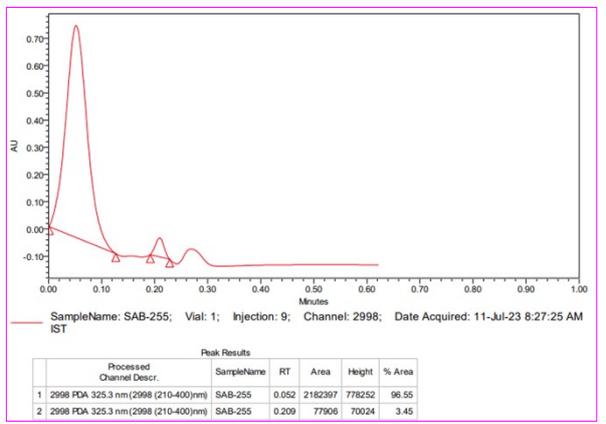
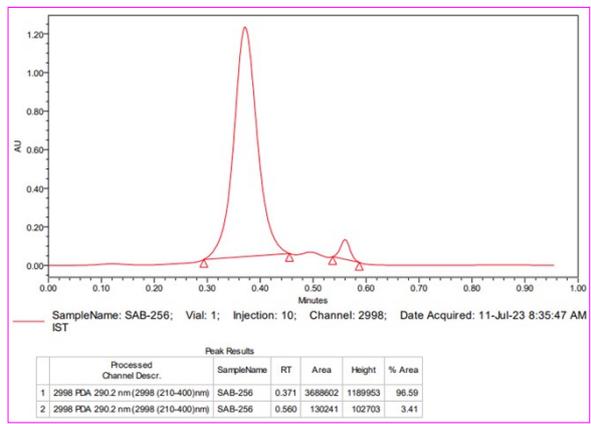


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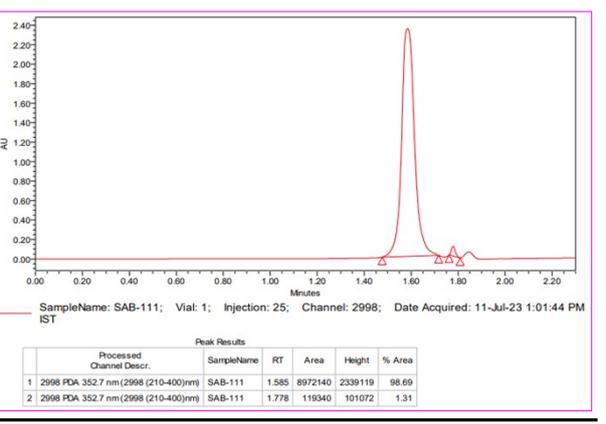
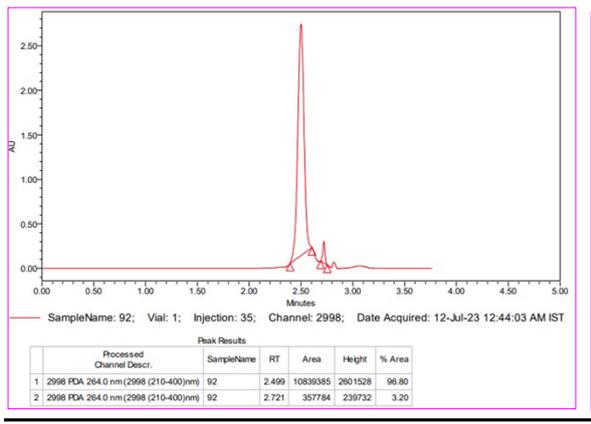
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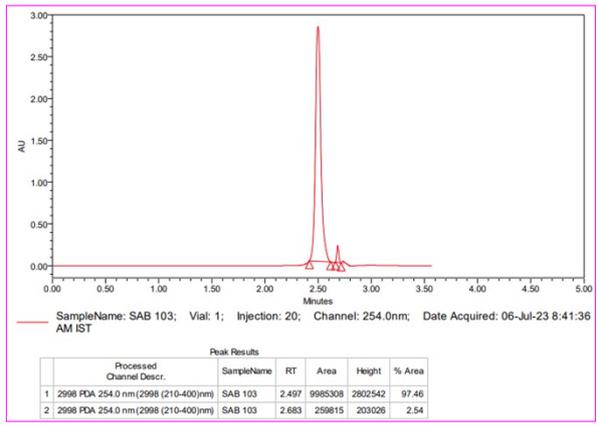
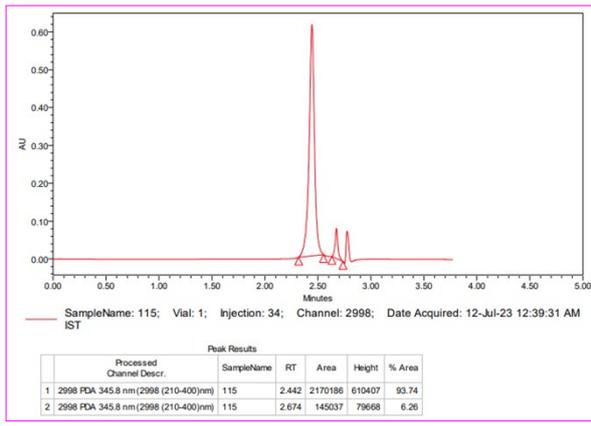
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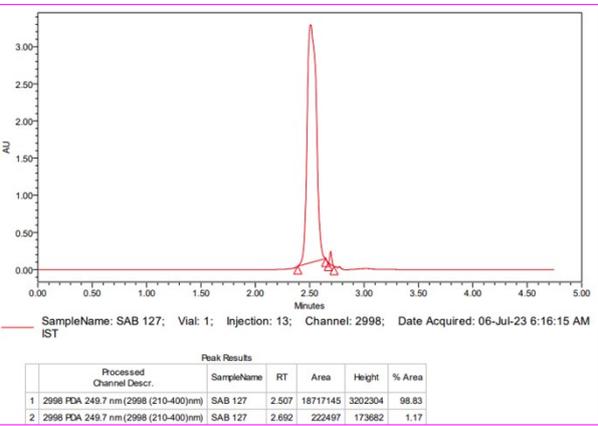
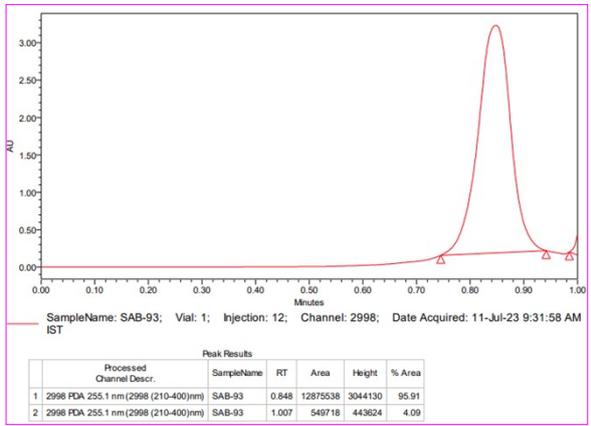
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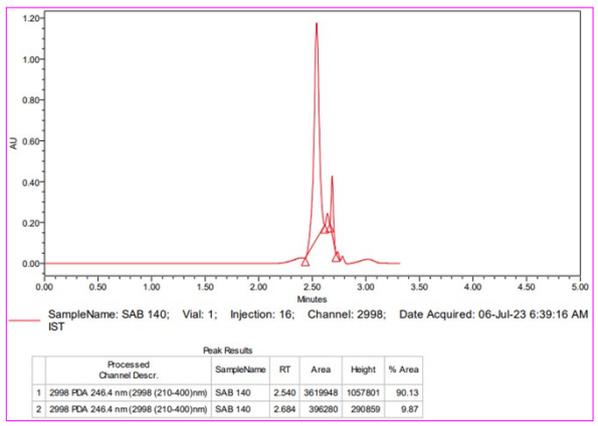
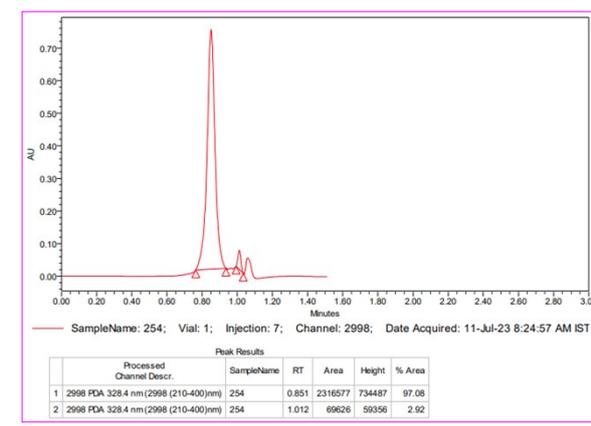
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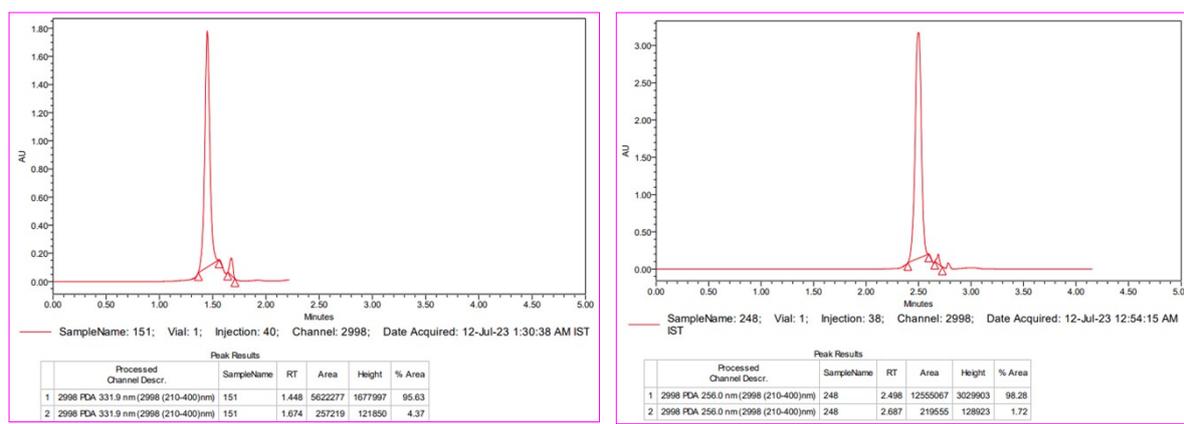
HPLC Profile of 3as & 3bs



HPLC Profile of 3bt & 3bu



HPLC Profile of 3bv & 3ax



6. X-Ray Crystallographic Study of **3aa**

A transparent block-shaped crystal was cut to obtain a single crystal, which was chosen by using a polarizing microscope. The crystal was immersed in Paratone-N oil and mounted on goniometer head with nylon loop. To obtain the crystal structure data, a Kappa APEX II diffractometer was used. The diffractometer was equipped with CCD detector and a sealed-tube monochromated MoK α radiation which was used for centering and screening the crystal, determining unit cell for primary evaluation and data collection (with crystal to detector distance 50 mm). The temperature at which data collection was done is 298 K. An APEX3⁴ program was used for the data integration, and SAINT¹ program was used to fit the reflections and obtaining F^2 and $\sigma(F^2)$ values. Lorentz and polarization effects were also corrected. To obtain a final structure solution, space group was decided along with absorption correction (SADABS)⁴, using a subroutine XPREP.⁴ The data was merged and required files were generated for proper analysis and refinement. The direct method was used in structure solution using SHELXS program of SHELXTL package followed by refinement using SHELXL.^{5,6} The anisotropic refinement parameters were used to refine all NHAs (non-hydrogen atoms) and the hydrogen atoms present were refined as riding atoms with individual isotropic displacement parameters. All the figures presented were drawn using MERCURY 2023 1.0⁷

Crystal data for **3aa**. C₄₂H₅₆N₂O₄, Mr = 652.88 g/mol, orthorhombic, space group $P2_12_12_1$ (No. 19), a = 9.2466(7) Å, b = 11.7371(8) Å, c = 33.379(3) Å, $\alpha = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 90^\circ$, $\gamma = 90^\circ$, V = 3622.6(5) Å³, Z = 4, T = 296.15 K, $D_{\text{calcd}} = 1.197 \text{ g/cm}^3$; Full matrix least-square on F^2 ; $R_1 = 0.0446$, $wR_2 = 0.0924$ for 5377 observed reflections [$I > 2\sigma(I)$] and $R_1 = 0.0701$, $wR_2 = 0.1021$ for all 7340 reflections; number of parameters = 443; GOF = 1.024.

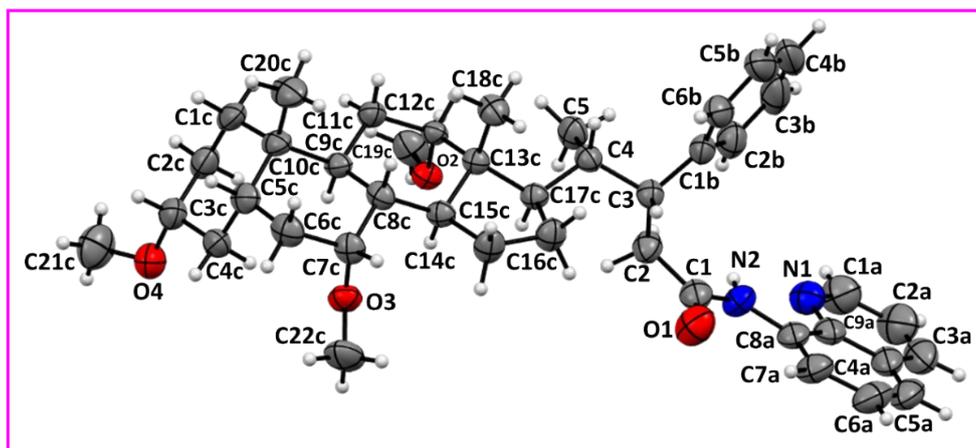


Figure S1. ORTEP view of the asymmetric unit in **3aa**. Non-hydrogen atoms are depicted as ellipsoids with 30% probability. Hydrogen atoms are represented by spheres with random radius.

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