

The A³-Mannich Coupling Reaction via Chiral Propargylglycine Ni(II) Complex: An Approach for Synthesizing Enantiomerically Enriched Unnatural α -Amino Acids

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EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

General information

All amines, aldehydes were obtained from commercial sources and used without further purification. The initial **2** complexes were prepared following literature protocols¹. TLC analyses were performed on glass plates coated with silica gel 60 F254. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (60×120 mesh) on a glass column.

Instrumentation

Melting points (mp) were determined by «Electrothermal». ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra («Mercury-300 Varian» 300 MHz respectively) were recorded using TMS as an internal standard (0 ppm). Elemental analyses were done by elemental analyzer EURO EA 3000. The enantiomeric purity of the amino acids was determined by HPLC («Waters Alliance 2695 HPLC System») on the chiral phase Diaspher-110- Chirasil-E-PA 6:0 mkm 4.0*250 mm, and a mixture of 20% MeOH and 80% 0:1 M aqueous solution NaH₂PO₄*2H₂O was used as the eluent. The optical rotation was measured on a Perkin Elmer-341 polarimeter, The X-Ray was done by Enraf-Nonius CAD4, LCMS analysis was done by Shimadzu LCMS 2020 with prominence-I LC-2030C 3D. The CD analyses was done by Chirascan™ V100.

General Procedures

A. General procedure of Mannich reaction with paraformaldehyde

A 2 g (0.0037 mol) sample of Ni^{II}-(*S*)-BPB-(*S*)-PGly complex, 0.336 g (0.011 mol) of paraformaldehyde, and 0.060 g (0.00037 mol) of FeCl₃ were added to a round-bottom flask connected to a reflux condenser and supplied with an argon gas flow. The mixture was dissolved in 20 ml toluene for 15-20 minutes. Then, 0.07 g (0.00037 mol) of CuI and (0.0074 mol) of amine mixed with a small amount of toluene were added. The reaction mixture was stirred under heating conditions at a temperature of 50-60°C. The course of the reaction was monitored by TLC (SiO₂, CHCl₃/CH₃COCH₃ = 3/1) until the traces of the initial complex were eliminated. Based on TLC data, the reaction took 0.5-3 hours.

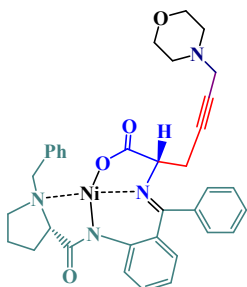
After completion of the reaction, the mixture was poured into distilled water (50 mL) under stirring for 15 min and extracted with methylene chloride (3 × 30 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with distilled water (2 × 20 mL), dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ for 30 min, and filtered. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was crystallized from acetone (20 mL) to afford the pure product.

B. General procedure for isolation of amino acids

Complexes **3a–d** were dissolved in MeOH (50 mL) and slowly added to 2 M HCl (50 mL). The reaction mixture was heated at 50 °C until the characteristic red color of the metal complex disappeared. The solution was then concentrated under reduced

pressure, diluted with water (50 mL), and the precipitated (S)-BPB·HCl was collected by filtration. The optically active α -amino acids **4a–d** were subsequently isolated from the aqueous layer by ion-exchange chromatography on Dowex-50 (H⁺ form) resin, using 5% aqueous NH₄OH as the eluent. The eluates were concentrated under reduced pressure, and the amino acids were purified by recrystallization from a water/EtOH mixture (1:2 v/v).

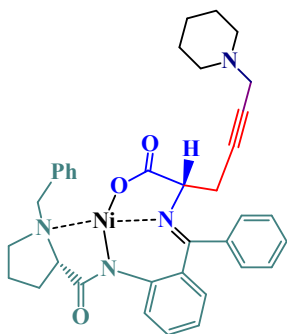
Complex 3a.



Method A. Yield 79% (1.85 g), Mp +213-214°C, the reaction duration is 1.5 hour. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +2503^0$ (c 0.15, CH₃OH): Anal Calc. for: C₃₅H₃₆N₄NiO₄ (635.38); C 66.16; H 5.71; N 8.82; Found: 66.56; H 5.99; N 9.21; MS, *m/z*: 635.15

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.01-2.15 (2H, m, γ , δ -Ha); 2.39-2.57 (6H, m); 2.67-2.82 (2H, m); 3.39-3.42 (2H, m); 3.46 (1H, dd, *J*=10.7, 6.1, α -H-Pro); 3.55-3.70 (7H, m); 3.98 (1H, dd, *J*=7.3, 3.0); 4.44 (1H, d, *J*=12.7, CH₂Ph); 6.63-6.69 (2H, m, H-3,4 C₆H₄); 7.01-7.06 (1H, m, C₆H₅); 7.16 (1H, ddd, *J*=8.6, 5.5, 3.1, H-5 C₆H₄); 7.18-7.28 m (3H, Ar); 7.32-7.39 (2H, m, H-3.3, Ph); 7.44-7.55 (3H, m, Ar); 8.00-8.05 (2H, m, H-2.2, Ph); 8.25 (1H, br, d, *J*=8.6, H-6, C₆H₄). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.6 (δ -CH₂, Pro); 24.2 (CH₂C $\equiv$ C); 30.8 (β -CH₂ Pro); 48.2 (CH₂-morpholin); 52.5 (α -CH₂, NCH₂ morpholin); 57.1 (δ -CH₂ Pro); 63.2 (CH₂ Ph); 66.8 (2C, OCH₂ morpholin,); 67.9 (NCH,CH₂); 70.2 (α -CH₂ Pro); 80.0 (2C, C $\equiv$ C); 120.7 (CH); 123.8 (CH); 126.1; 126.8 (CH); 127.8 (CH); 128.9 (2CH); 129.0 (CH); 129.1 (CH); 129.2 (CH); 130.0 (CH); 131.7 (2CH); 132.5 (CH); 133.2; 133.5 (CH); 134.1; 142.9; 178.7; 180.4:

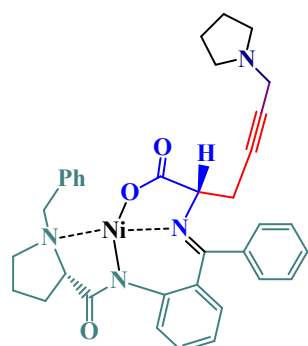
Complex 3b.



Method A. Yield 51% (1.2 g), Mp +186°C, the reaction duration is 3 hour. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +2278.67^0$ (c 0.15, CH₃OH): Anal Calc. for: C₃₅H₃₈N₄NiO₃ (633.41); C 68.26; H 6.05; N 8.85; Found: 68.70; H 6.39; N 9.20; MS, *m/z*: 633.20

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.16-1.46 (9H, m), 1.45-1.68 (5H, m), 1.98-2.22 (3H, m), 2.35-2.80 (9H, m, γ , δ -Ha), 3.46 (4H, t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, α -H-Pro), 3.62 (3H, t, *J* = 10.3 Hz), 3.92-4.05 (1H, m), 4.43 (1H, d, *J* = 12.7 Hz), 6.54-6.73 (2H, m, H-3,4 C₆H₄), 7.03 (1H, d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, C₆H₅), 7.10-7.27 (3H, m, H-5 C₆H₄, Ar), 7.35 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, Ph), 7.44-7.59 (3H, m, Ar), 8.03 (2H, d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, Ph), 8.25 (1H, d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, H-6, C₆H₄). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.55 (δ -CH₂, Pro), 23.61 (CH₂-piperidine), 24.36 (CH₂C $\equiv$ C), 25.42 (CH₂-piperidine), 29.39 (CH₂-piperidine), 29.72 (CH₂-piperidine), 30.87 (β -CH₂ Pro), 48.24 (CH₂-piperidine), 53.18 (α -CH₂, NCH₂ piperidine), 57.15 (δ -CH₂, Pro), 63.18 (CH₂, Ph), 68.00 (NCH,CH₂), 70.27 (α -CH₂, Pro), 76.83, 79.58 ($\equiv$ C), 80.21 (C $\equiv$), 120.69, 123.78, 126.14, 126.82, 127.73, 128.90, 128.97, 129.09, 129.14, 129.95, 131.64, 132.49, 133.24, 133.47, 134.09, 142.85, 171.82 (C-N), 178.69, 180.46 (C=O):

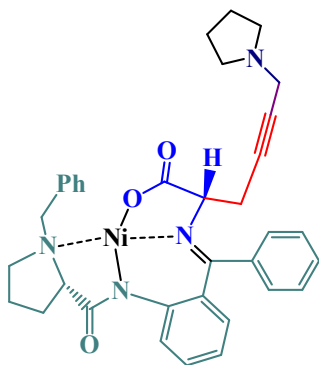
Complex 3c



Method A. Yield 67% (1.54 g), Mp +213-214°C, the reaction duration is 0.5 hour. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +2218.89^0$ (c=0.15, CH₃OH). Anal Calc. for: C₃₅H₃₆N₄NiO₃ (619.38) C 67.87; H 5.86; N 9.05; Found: C 70.13; H 5.99; N 9.49. MS, *m/z*: 619.15:

^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.73 (4H, s, CH_2 -pyrrolidine); 1.97-2.24 (2H, m); 2.36-2.91 (9H, m); 3.37-3.76 (6H, m); 3.97 (1H, dd, J = 7.0, 2.8 Hz, CH); 4.43 (1H, d, J = 12.7 Hz, CH_2Ph); 6.56-6.75 (2H m, H-3,4 C_6H_4); 7.01 (1H, d, J = 7.1 Hz, C_6H_5); 7.19 (3H, dt, J = 14.1, 11.3 Hz, Ph); 7.35 (1H, t, J = 7.5 Hz, H-5 C_6H_4); 7.48 (3H, d, J = 11.0 Hz, Ar); 8.03 (2H, d, J = 7.5 Hz, Ph); 8.25 (1H, d, J = 8.7 Hz, H-6, C_6H_4). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 23.54 (δ - CH_2 , Pro); 23.65; 23.795 (CH_2 -pyrrolidine); 23.91; 24.22 ($\text{CH}_2\text{C}=\text{C}$); 30.83 (β - CH_2 Pro); 43.89; 52.69 (CH_2 -pyrrolidine); 57.12 (δ - CH_2 Pro); 63.01; 63.12 (CH_2 Ph); 68.049, 70.24 (α - CH_2 Pro); 79.02 ($\equiv\text{C}$); 80.62 ($\text{C}\equiv$); 120.63; 123.73; 126.15; 126.18; 126.79; 127.74; 128.89; 129.03; 129.09; 129.24; 129.90; 131.65; 132.45; 133.22; 133.45; 134.15; 142.91; 171.76 (C-N) 178.69; 180.46 (C=O):

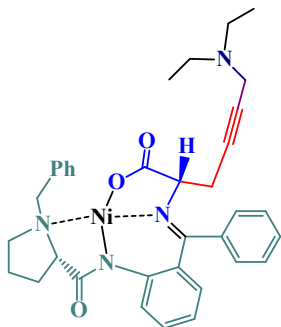
Complex 3d.



Method A. Yield 53% (1.21 g), Mp +179-180 $^\circ\text{C}$, the reaction duration is 1.5 hour. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20}$ +2192.45 $^\circ$ (c =0.15, CH_3OH). Anal Calc. for: $\text{C}_{37}\text{H}_{40}\text{N}_4\text{NiO}_3$ (646.25) C 68.64; H 6.23; N 8.65; Found: C 68.90; H 6.51; N 9.99. MS, m/z : 647.15

^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.18 1.41 (4H, m, azepam). 1.4-1.66 (9H, m, azepam), 1.96-2.28 (4H, m, azepam, CH_2 -Pro), 2.32-2.78 (9H, m, azepam, CH_2 -Pro), 3.35-3.70 (6H, m, azepam, CH-Pro), 3.95 (1H, dd, J = 7.3, 3.1 Hz, CH), 4.42 (1H, d, J = 12.7 Hz, CH_2Ph), 6.56-6.69 (2H, m, H-3,4 C_6H_4), 6.95-7.20 (3H, m, Ph and C_6H_5), 7.33 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz, H-5 C_6H_4), 7.41-7.59 (3H, m, Ar), 8.00 (2H, d, J = 7.0 Hz, Ph), 8.24 (1H, d, J = 8.6 Hz, H-6, C_6H_4). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 23.44 (δ - CH_2 , Pro), 24.19 (CH_2 -azepam), 26.60 (CH_2 -azepam), 27.85 (CH_2 -azepam), 30.78 (β - CH_2 Pro), 48.83, 55.30, 57.01 (δ - CH_2 Pro), 63.06 (CH_2 Ph), 67.96, 70.16 (α - CH_2 Pro), 120.55, 123.69, 126.07, 126.73, 127.67, 128.80, 128.87, 129.02, 129.82, 131.58, 132.36, 133.37, 133.13, 134.12, 142.85, 171.66, 178.69 (C-N), 180.34 (C=O):

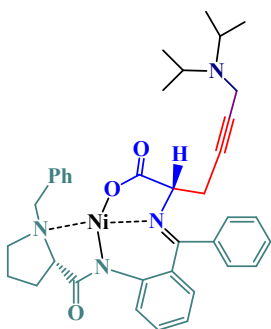
Complex 3e.



Method A. Yield 53% (1.21 g), Mp +215-216 $^\circ\text{C}$, the reaction duration is 3 hour. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20}$ +2543 $^\circ$ (c =0.15, CH_3OH). Anal Calc. for: $\text{C}_{35}\text{H}_{38}\text{N}_4\text{NiO}_3$ (621.39); C 67.65; H 6.16; N 9.02; Found: C 67.95; H 6.64; N 9.49. MS, m/z : 621.20

^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.06-1.10 (6H, t, J = 7.0 Hz, CH_3); 2.03-2.20 (2H, m, CH_2 -Pro); 2.44-2.81 (8H, m, $\text{CH}_2\text{-CH}_3$ *2, $\text{CH}_2\text{-C}\equiv$, and CH_2 -Pro); 3.42-3.72 (6H, m, CH_2 -Bz, CH-Pro); 3.97 (1H, dd, J = 7.2, 3.7 Hz, CH); 4.44 (1H, d, J = 12.7 Hz, CH_2 -Bz); 6.62-6.70 (2H, m, H-5,6 C_6H_4); 7.02 (1H, d, J = 7.1 Hz, H-4 C_6H_4); 7.13-7.26 (3H, m, Ar); 7.36 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz, Ph); 7.44 -7.59 (3H, m, Ar); 8.03 (2H, d, J = 7.2 Hz, Ph); 8.25 (1H, d, J = 8.6 Hz, H-3 C_6H_4). ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 12.35 (CH_3); 23.52 (δ - CH_2 , Pro); 24.32 ($\text{CH}_2\text{C}\equiv\text{C}$); 30.85 (β - CH_2 Pro); 41.88 ($\text{CH}_2\text{-CH}_3$), 47.21 ($\text{CH}_2\text{-CH}_3$), 57.05 (δ - CH_2 Pro); 63.13 (CH_2 Bz); 68.09, 70.23 (α - CH_2 Pro); 79.47 (2C, $\text{C}\equiv\text{C}$); 120.65 (CH); 123.74 (CH); 126.15 (CH); 126.83 (CH); 127.71 (CH); 128.88 (2CH); 129.02 (CH); 129.11 (CH); 129.90 (CH); 131.63 (CH); 132.47 (2CH); 133.18, 133.45; 134.10 (CH); 142.85; 171.74 (C=N); 178.64; 180.40 (C=O).

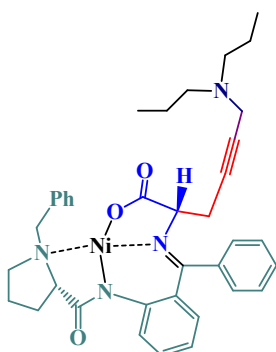
Complex 3f.



Method A. Yield 67% (1.65 g), Mp +125-126°C, the reaction duration is 1.5 hour. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +1486.13^0$ ($c=0.15$, CH₃OH). Anal Calc. for: C₃₇H₄₂N₄NiO₃ (649,45) C 68.43; H 6.52; N 8.63; Found: C 68.79; H 6.95; N 8.89. MS, m/z : 649.15

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.04-1.49 (22H, m, CH₃), 2.01-2.23 (4H, m, CH₂-Pro), 2.63 (5H, ddd, $J = 32.9, 21.6, 9.5$ Hz, CH₂-CH₃*2, CH₂-Pro), 3.48 (2H, dd, $J = 10.9, 5.9$ Hz, CH-Pro), 3.62 (3H, d, $J = 12.6$ Hz, CH₂-C $\equiv$), 3.72 (2H, s,), 3.93 (1H, t, $J = 5.8$ Hz, CH), 4.43 (1H, d, $J = 12.7$ Hz, CH₂-Bz), 6.60-6.72 (2H, m, H-5,6 C₆H₄), 7.00 (1H, d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, H-4 C₆H₄), 7.19 (3H, dd, $J = 16.8, 5.2$ Hz, Ar), 7.36 (2H, t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, Ph), 7.43-7.59 (3H, m, Ar), 8.05 (2H, d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, Ph), 8.23 (1H, d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, H-3 C₆H₄). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 19.64 and 19.73 (CH₃), 23.78 (δ -CH₂, Pro), 25.06(CH₂C $\equiv$ C), 29.74, 30.92 (β -CH₂ Pro), 35.21, 50.37, 57.25 (CH₂-Pro), 63.26 (CH₂-Bz), 68.06 (CH), 70.31 (CH), 120.76 (CH); 123.83 (CH); 126.07, 126.93, 127.67 (CH); 128.95 (CH); 129.01 (CH); 129.10 (CH), 129.18, 129.98 (CH), 131.61 (CH), 132.61 (CH);, 133.29, 133.48, 133.94 (CH); 142.85, 171.79 (C=O), 178.30 (C=N), 180.49(C=O).

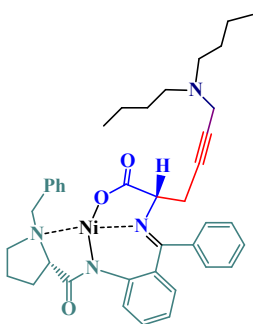
Complex 3g.



Method A. Yield 41% (0.99 g), Mp +88°C, the reaction duration is 2.5 hour. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +2000^0$ ($c=0.15$, CH₃OH). Anal Calc. for: C₃₇H₄₂N₄NiO₃ (649,45) C 68.43; H 6.52; N 8.63; Found: C 69.25; H 6.52; N 8.99. MS, m/z : 649.25

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.83 (6H, t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, CH₃*2), 1.48 (5H, dd, $J = 15.0, 7.5$ Hz,), 1.95-2.22 (4H, m, CH₂-CH₃*2,), 2.39-2.62 (7H, m, CH₂-CH₃*2, CH₂-C $\equiv$, CH₂-Pro), 2.61-2.85 (2H, m,), 3.46 (1H, dd, $J = 10.8, 6.0$ Hz, CH₂-Pro), 3.54-3.74 (5H, m, CH₂-Bz, CH-Pro), 3.96 (1H, dd, $J = 7.3, 3.4$ Hz, CH), 4.43 (1H, d, $J = 12.7$ Hz, CH₂-Bz), 6.66 (2H, dd, $J = 4.5, 1.9$ Hz, H-3,4 C₆H₄), 7.01 (1H, d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, C₆H₅), 7.10-7.27 (4H, m, H-5 C₆H₄, Ar), 7.36 (2H, t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, Ph), 7.42-7.57 (3H, m, Ar), 8.03 (2H, d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, Ph), 8.24 (1H, d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, H-3 C₆H₄). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.81 (CH₃), 20.26 (CH₃), 23.58 (δ -CH₂, Pro), 24.44 (CH₂C $\equiv$ C), 30.90 (β -CH₂ Pro), 42.95, 55.68, 57.11 (CH), 63.19 (CH₂ Ph), 68.13, 70.29 (α -CH₂ Pro), 76.66, 77.08 (C, C $\equiv$ C), 77.51 (C, C $\equiv$ C), 120.72, 123.84, 126.17, 126.89, 127.69, 128.93, 129.06, 129.16, 129.95, 131.65, 132.52, 133.23, 133.46, 134.11, 142.89, 171.77 (C=N), 178.60, 180.43 (C=O).

Complex 3h.

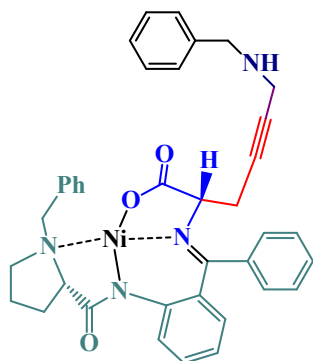


Method A. Yield 26% (0.65 g), Mp +91°C, the reaction duration is 2 hour. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +501^0$ ($c=0.15$, CH₃OH). Anal Calc. for: C₃₉H₄₆N₄NiO₃ (677,50) C 69.14; H 6.84; N 8.27; Found: C 69.51; H 7.30; N 8.65. MS, m/z : 677.25

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.86 (6H, t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, CH₃*2), 1.26 (7H, t, $J = 7.2$ Hz,), 2.43 (6H, dd, $J = 15.4, 8.1$ Hz, CH₂-CH₃*2, CH₂-C $\equiv$, CH₂-Pro), 2.72 (3H, d, $J = 17.2$ Hz,), 3.40-3.71 (7H, m, CH₂-Bz, CH-Pro, CH₂-Pro), 3.94-4.01 (1H, m, CH), 4.44 (1H, d, $J = 12.6$ Hz, CH₂-Bz), 6.60-6.69 (2H, m, H-3,4 C₆H₄), 7.02 (1H, d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, C₆H₅), 7.09-7.26

(4H, m, Ar), 7.35 (3H, t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, Ph), 7.40-7.59 (4H, m, Ar), 8.03 (2H, d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, Ph), 8.26 (1H, d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, H-3 C₆H₄). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.05 (CH₃), 20.65 (CH₃), 23.47 (δ -CH₂, Pro), 24.24 (CH₂C $\equiv$ C), 29.69, 30.90 (β -CH₂ Pro), 43.22, 53.55, 57.03 (CH), 63.13 (CH₂ Ph), 68.17, 70.28 (α -CH₂ Pro), 79.06 (C, C $\equiv$ C), 80.48 (C, C $\equiv$ C), 120.65, 123.80, 126.24, 126.85, 127.76, 128.89, 128.96, 129.11, 129.89, 131.67, 132.43, 133.20, 133.44, 134.20, 142.91, 171.71 (C=N), 178.79, 180.41 (C=O).

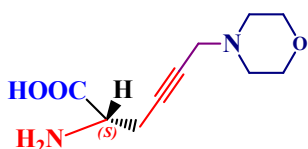
Complex 3i.



Method A. Yield 31% (0.75 g), Mp +150-152⁰C, the reaction duration is 3 hour. $[\alpha]_D^{20} +1745.88^0$ (c=0.15, CH₃OH). Anal Calc. for: C₃₈H₃₆N₄NiO₃ (655,41), C 69.64; H 5.54; N 8.55; Found: C 69.99; H 5.94; N 8.93.

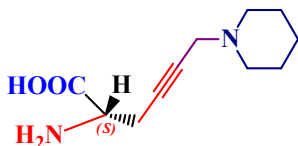
¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.96 (3, dt, $J = 21.2, 9.8$ Hz, γ , δ -Ha), 2.19-2.54 (3H, m), 2.69 (3H, dd, $J = 34.3, 9.5$ Hz, CH₂-C $\equiv$, and CH₂-Pro), 3.40 (1H, dd, $J = 10.7, 6.1$ Hz, α -H-Pro), 3.59 (6H, dd, $J = 25.0, 12.5$ Hz), 3.93-4.05 (1H, m, CH), 4.41 (1H, d, $J = 12.6$ Hz, CH₂Ph), 6.63 (2H, d, $J = 2.8$ Hz, H-3,4 C₆H₄), 6.99 (1H, d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, C₆H₅), 7.17 (8H, dd, $J = 25.9, 8.7$ Hz, H-5 C₆H₄, Ar), 7.36 (3H, d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, Ph), 7.49 (4H, dt, $J = 13.5, 6.8$ Hz, Ar), 8.03 (2H, d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, Ph), 8.25 (1H, d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, H-6, C₆H₄). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.45 (δ -CH₂, Pro), 24.35 (CH₂C $\equiv$ C), 30.24, 30.89 (β -CH₂ Pro), 31.58 (C $\equiv$ C-CH₂), 43.11 (NH-CH₂), 57.19 (δ -CH₂, Pro), 63.13 (CH₂ Ph), 68.14 (NCH₂CH₂), 70.32 (α -CH₂, Pro), 79.87 ($\equiv$ C), 80.38 (C $\equiv$), 120.65, 123.80, 126.23, 126.81, 127.82, 128.40, 128.89, 129.12, 129.26, 129.95, 131.66, 132.45, 133.29, 133.48, 134.11, 137.86, 142.94, 171.83 (C=N), 178.59, 180.53 (C=O).

(S)-2-amino-6-morpholinohex-4-ynoic acid-4a.

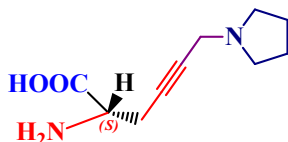


Method B. Yield 33%, Mp +190⁰C, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +12^0$ (C=0.1, 6N HCl), Anal Calcu. for: C₁₀H₁₆N₂O₃ (212,25) C 56.59; H 7.60; N 13.20; Found: C 56.99; H 7.98; N 13.56. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO+CF₃COOD) δ 2.89 – 2.99 (2H, m, CH₂ $\equiv$ C); 3.15 – 3.52 (4H, m, CH₂*2-morph); 3.74 – 3.94 (4H, m, CH₂*2-morph); 4.06-4.13 (3H, dd, $J = 11.9, 6.7$ Hz, CH₂-N and CH). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO+ CF₃COOD) δ 20.33 (CH₂-C $\equiv$); 50.19 CH₂-morph); 50.45 CH₂-morph); 63.30; 73.21 ($\equiv$ C), 83.80 (C $\equiv$); 113.11 CH₂-morph); 120.76 CH₂-morph); 169.00 (C=O).

(S)-2-amino-6-(piperidin-1-yl)hex-4-ynoic acid-4b



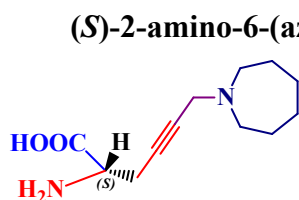
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(S)-2-amino-6-(pyrrolidin-1-yl)hex-4-ynoic acid-4c

Method B. Yield 31%, Mp +230-235°C, $[\alpha]_D^{20}=+19.5^0$ (C=0.1, 6N HCl), Anal Calcu. for: C₁₀H₁₆N₂O₂ (196,25): C 61.20; H 8.22; N 14.27; Found: C 61.70; H 8.75; N 14.76.

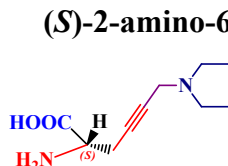
¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO) δ 2.01 (4H, s, CH₂); 2.86-2.99 (2H, m, CH₂-C); 3.02-3.79 (4H, m, CH₂); 3.99-4.19 (3H, m, CH₂-N and CH). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO) δ 20.25 (CH₂-C≡); 23.01 (CH₂); 42.58 (CH₂-N); 50.54 (CH₂); 52.22 (CH); 74.43 (≡C); 82.34 (C≡); 168.95 (C=O); 52.22 (CH); 74.43 (≡C); 82.34 (C≡); 168.95 (C=O).



(S)-2-amino-6-(azepan-1-yl)hex-4-ynoic acid-4d

Method B. Yield 53%, Mp +198-200°C, $[\alpha]_D^{20}=+19^0$ (C=0.1, 6N HCl), Anal Calcu. for: C₁₂H₂₀N₂O₂ (224,30): C 64.26; H 8.99; N 12.49; Found: C 64.72; H 9.45; N 12.92.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO) δ 1.68-1.87 (4H, d, J = 58.6 Hz, N-C₆H₈); 2.82-3.58 (6H, m, CH₂*2, N-C₆H₈); 3.92-4.18 (3H, m, CH₂-N and CH). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO) δ 20.26 (CH₂-C≡); 23.28 (CH₂*2); 25.51 (CH₂*2); 46.40 (CH₂-N); 50.55 (CH₂*2); 53.61 (CH); 74.02 (≡C); 82.97 (C≡); 168.93 (C=O).



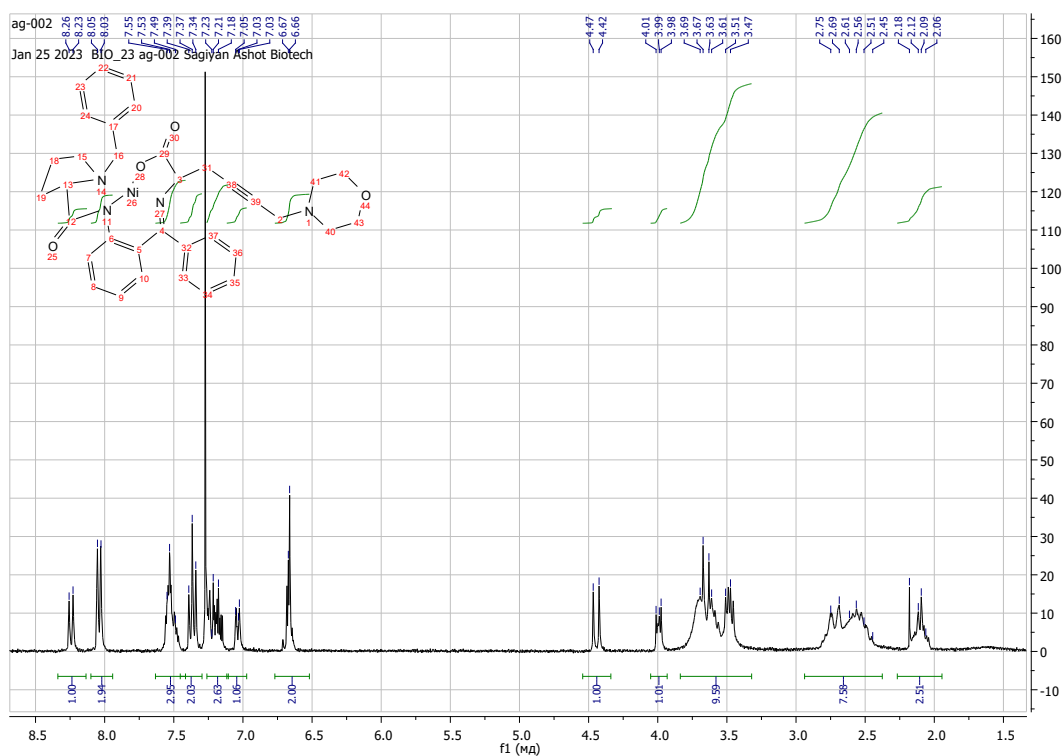
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Method B. Yield 20%, Mp +219-220°C, $[\alpha]_D^{20}=+18^0$ (C=0.1, 6N HCl), Anal Calcu. for: C₁₀H₁₈N₂O₂ (198,26): C 60.58; H 9.15; N 14.13; Found: C 60.89; H 9.65; N 14.59.

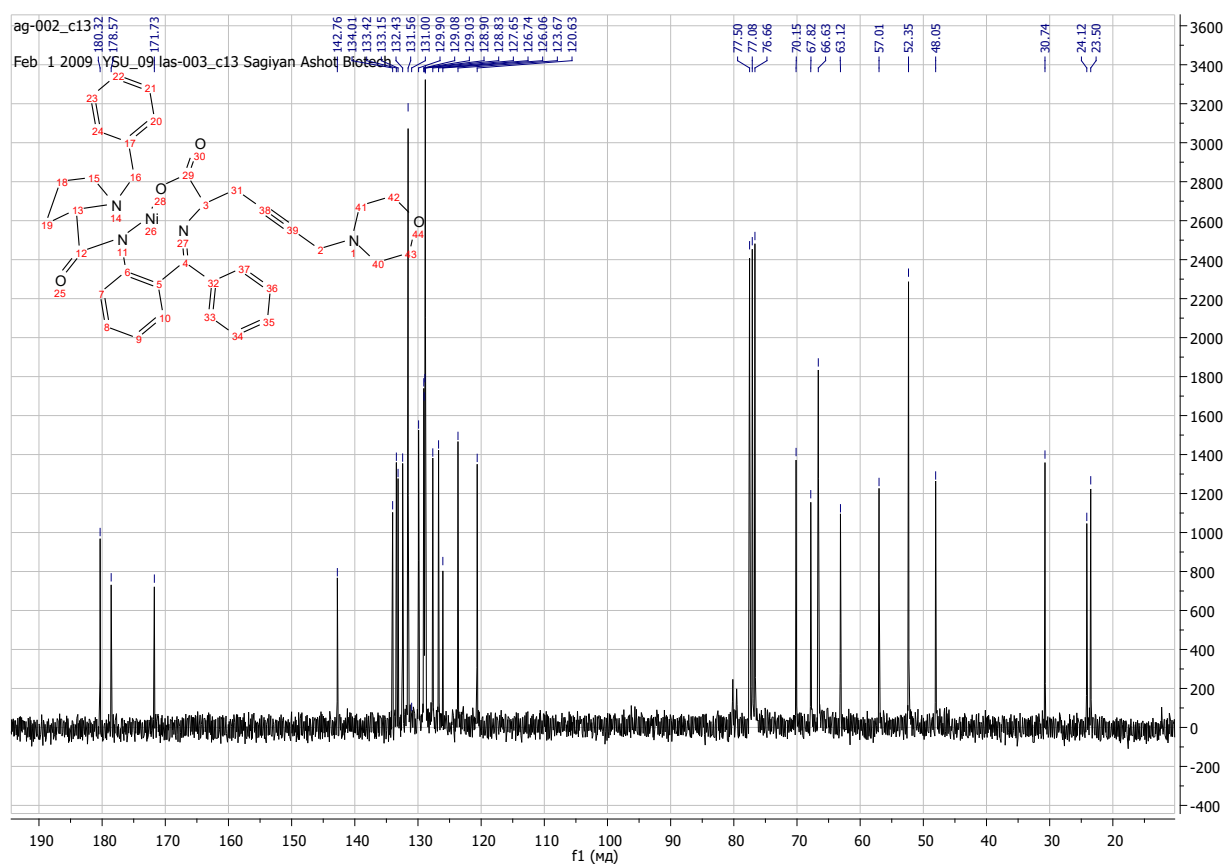
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NMR spectra

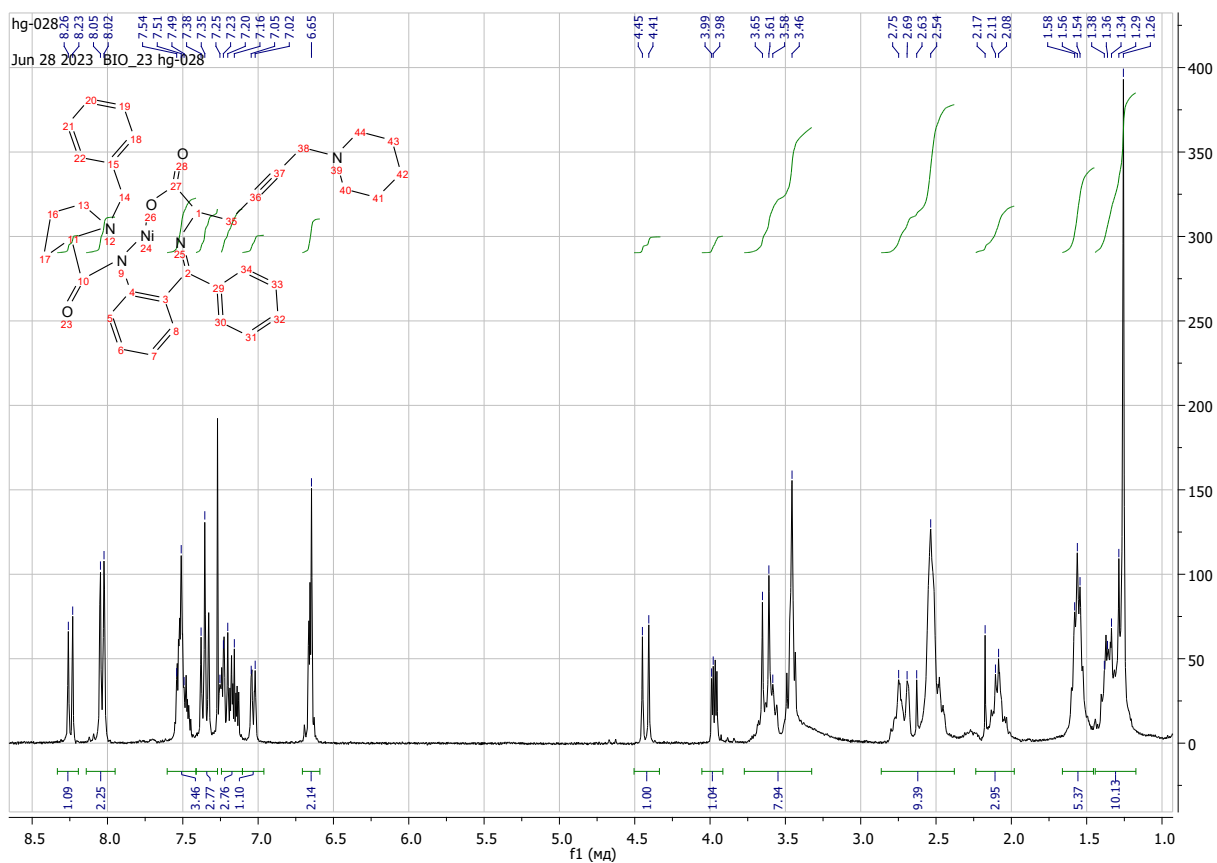
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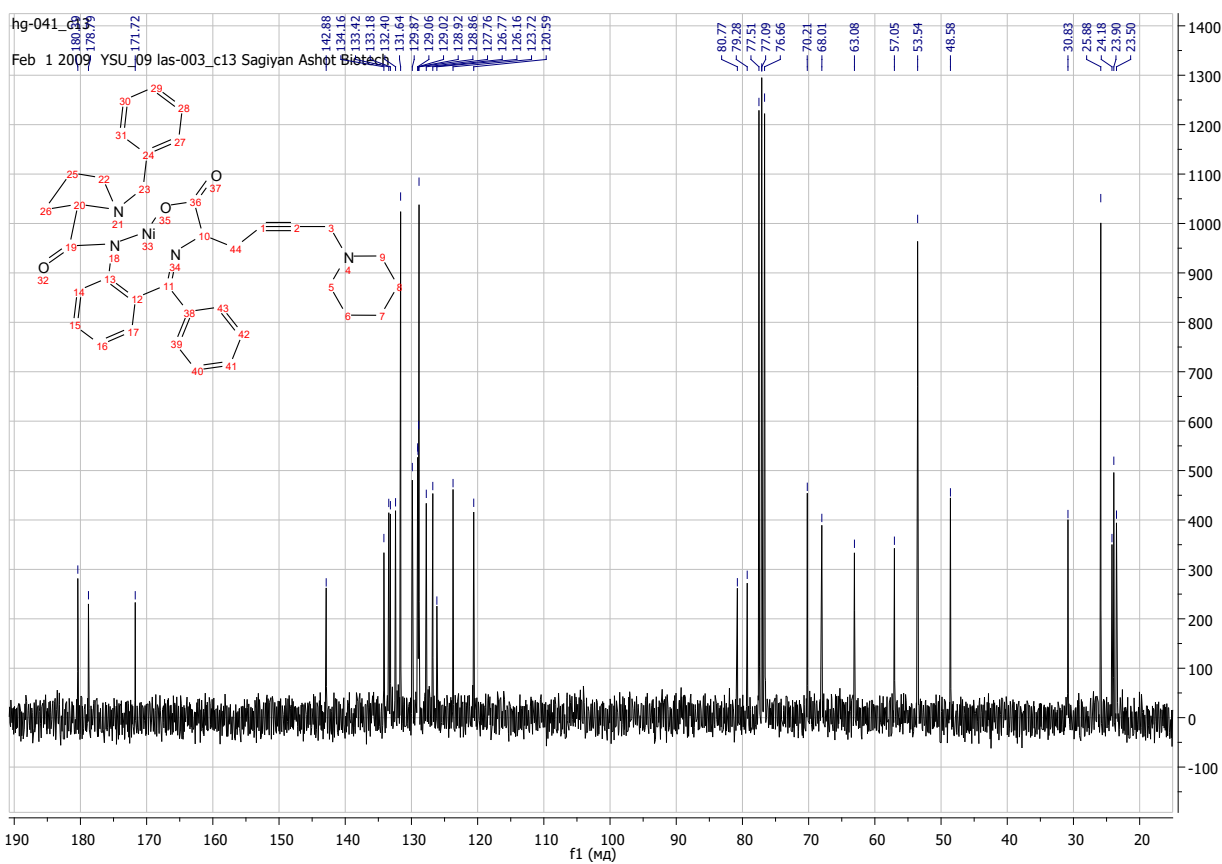
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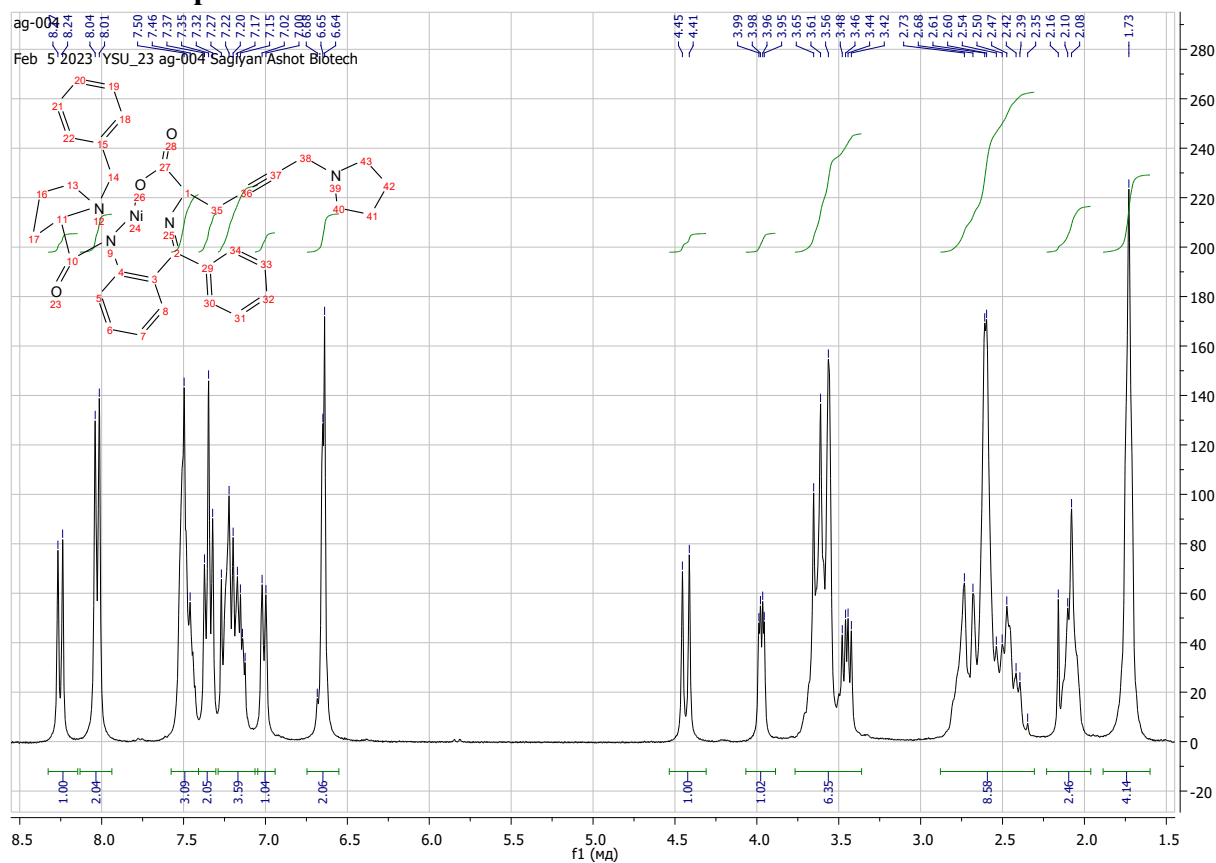
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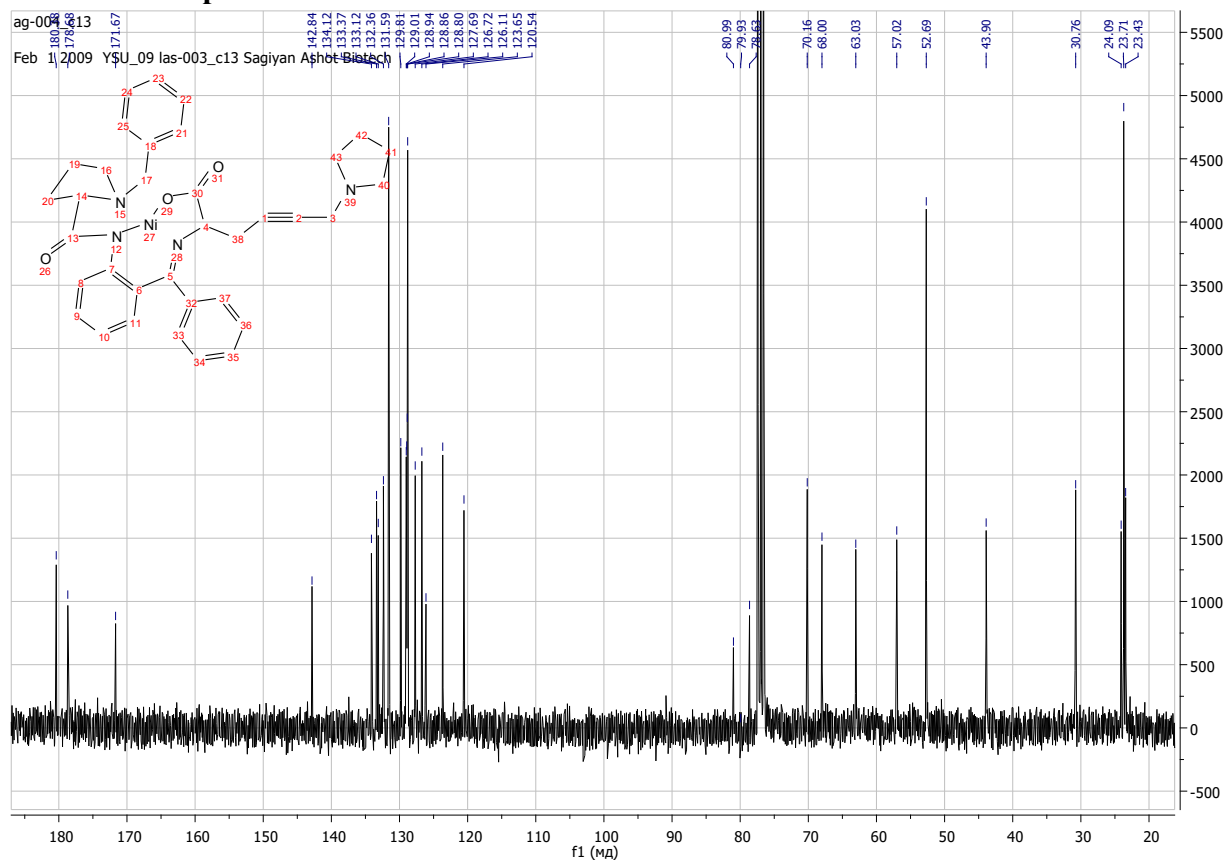
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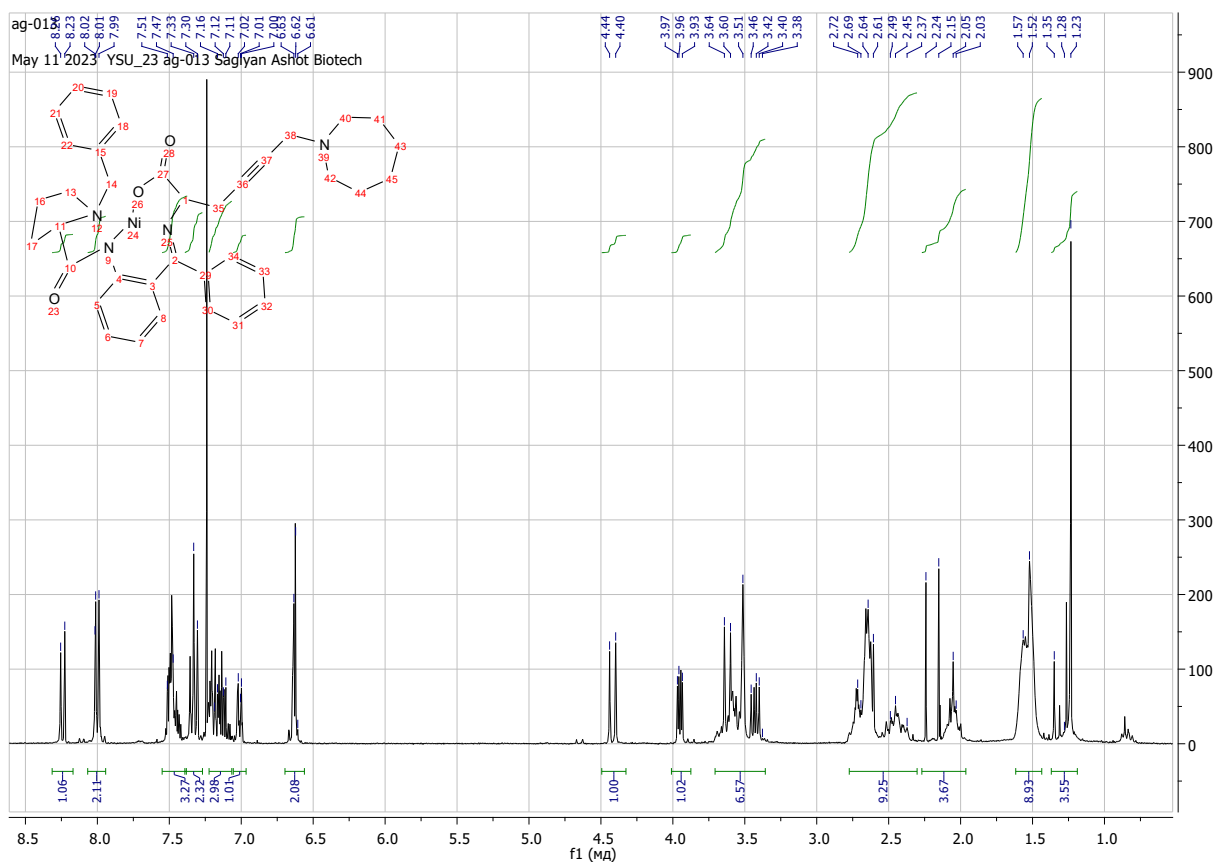
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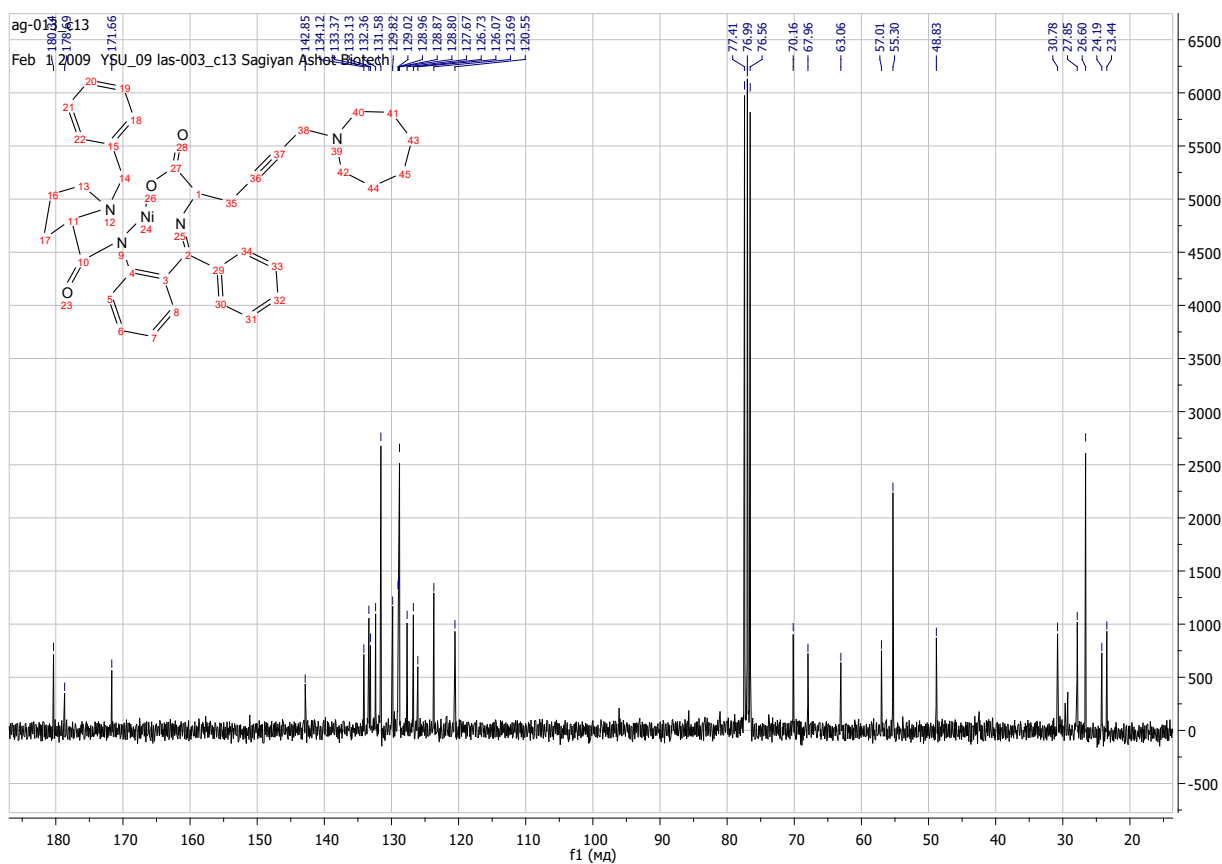
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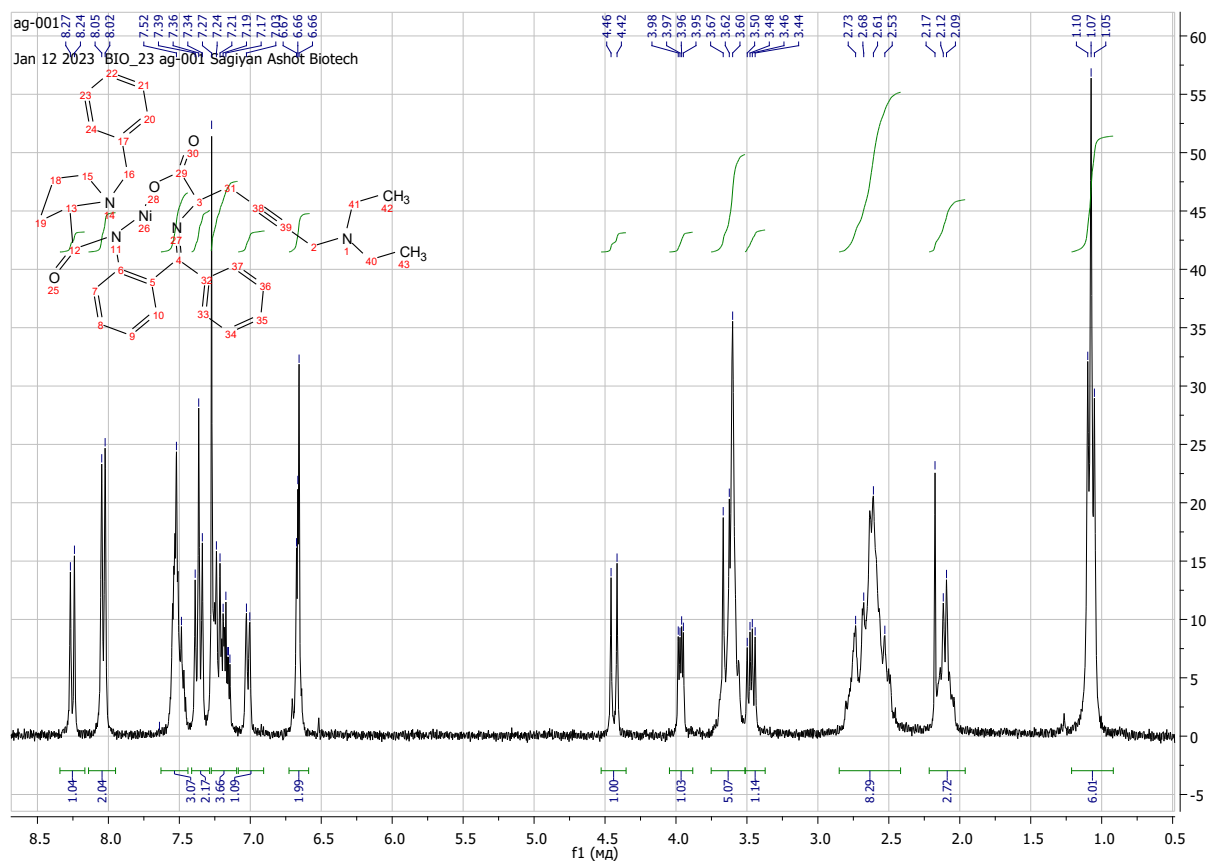
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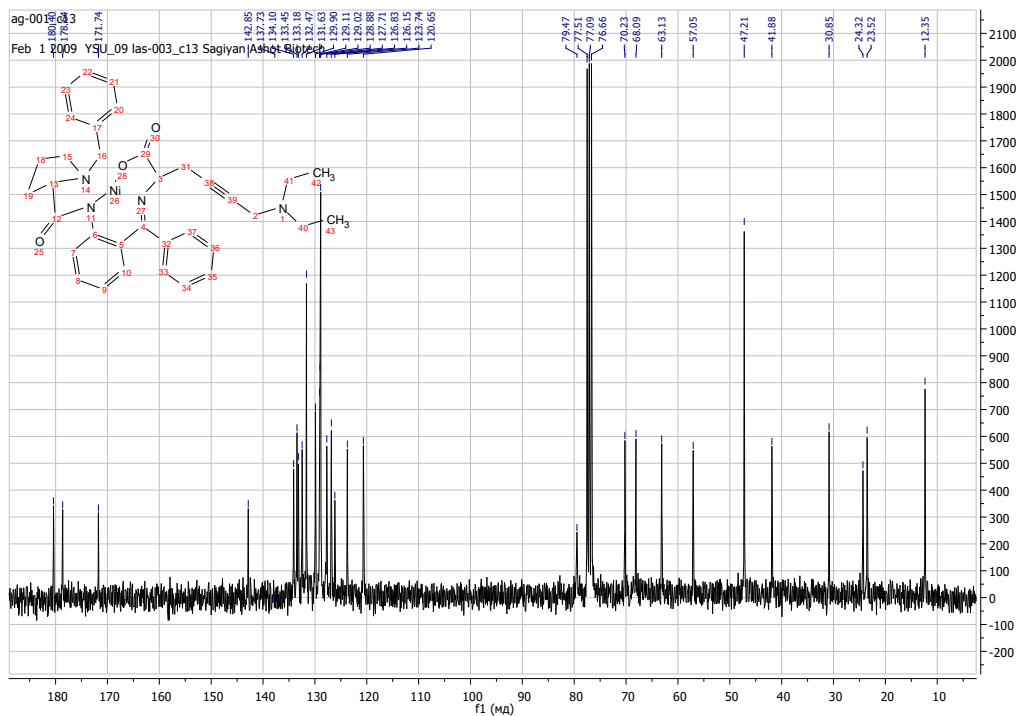
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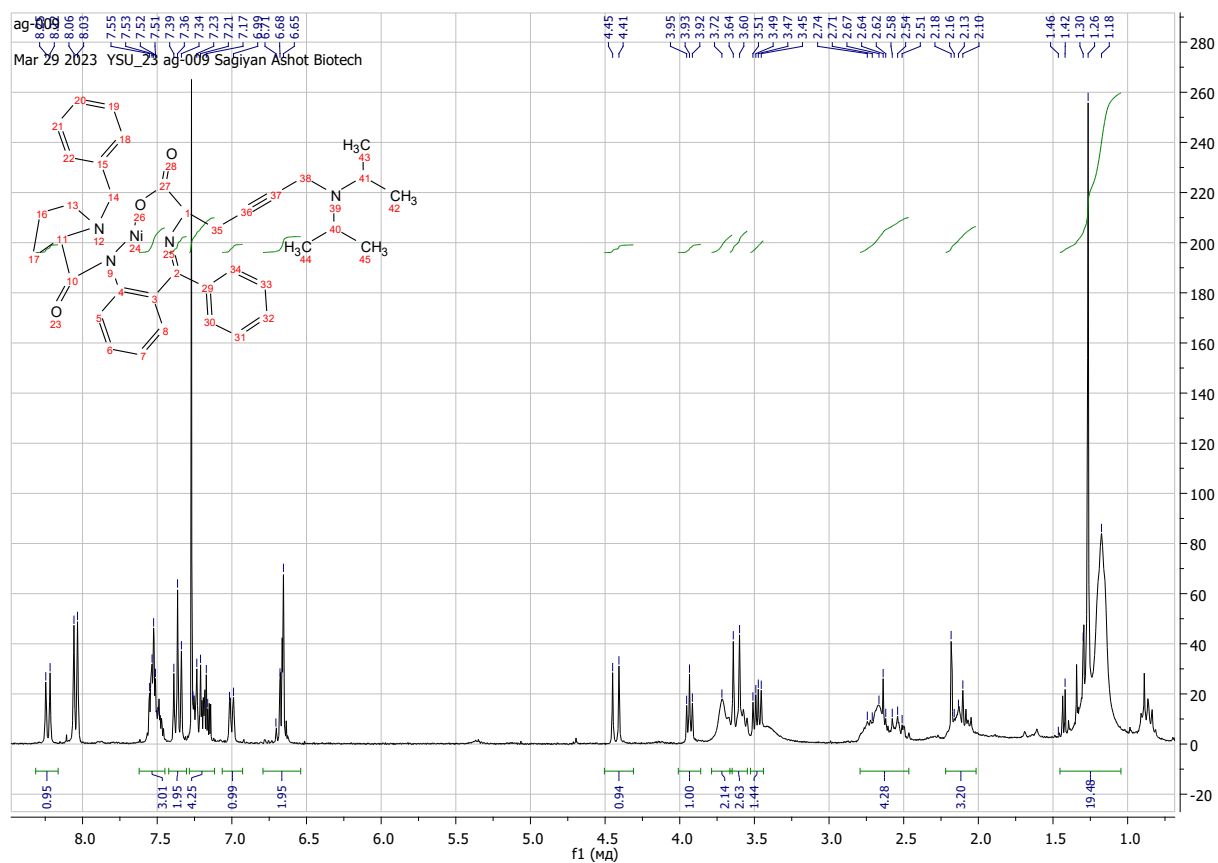
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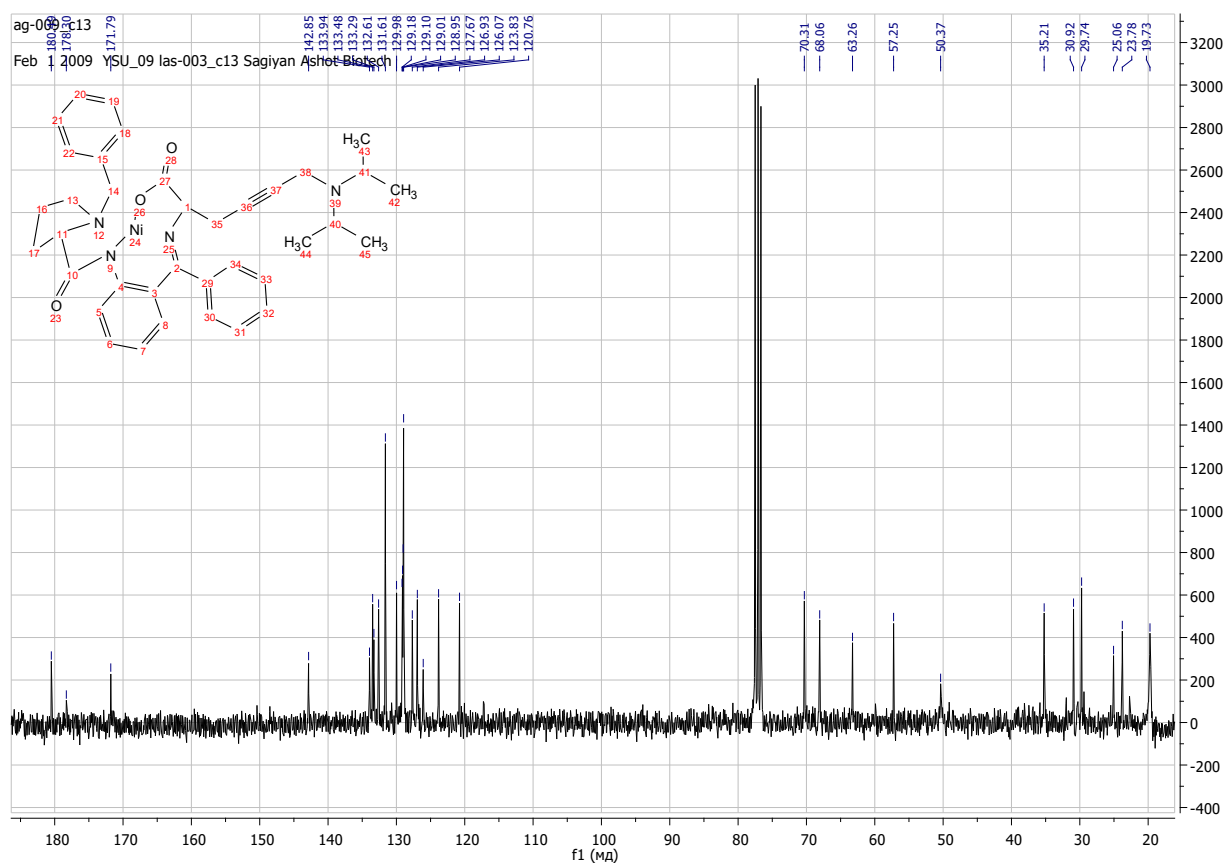
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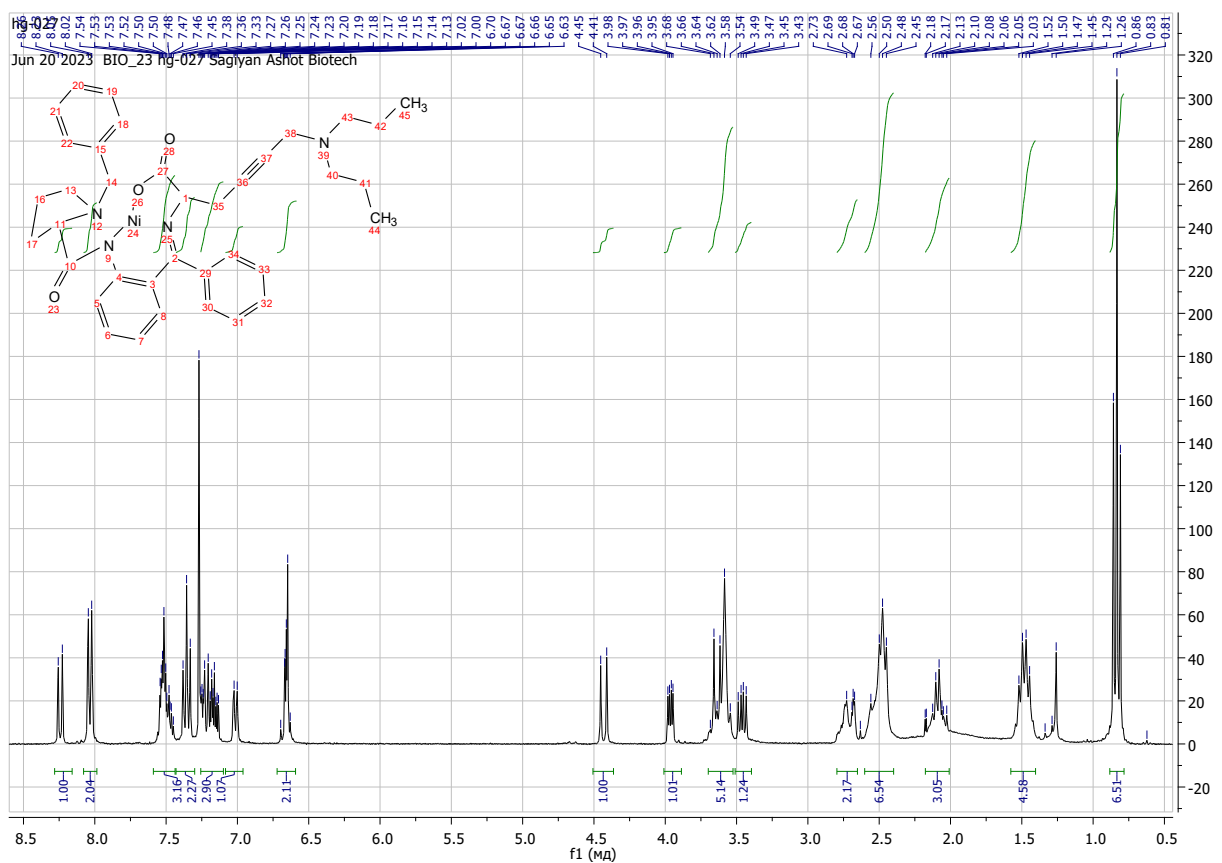
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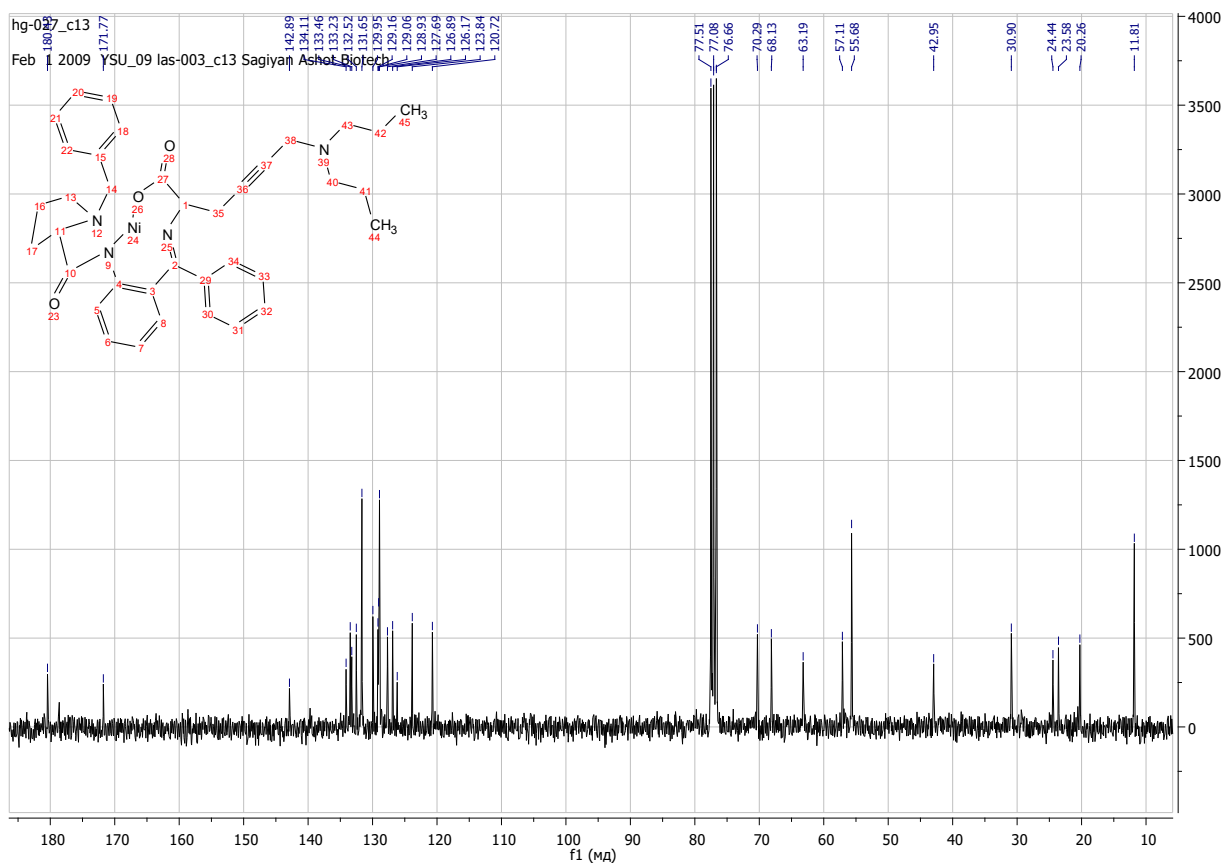
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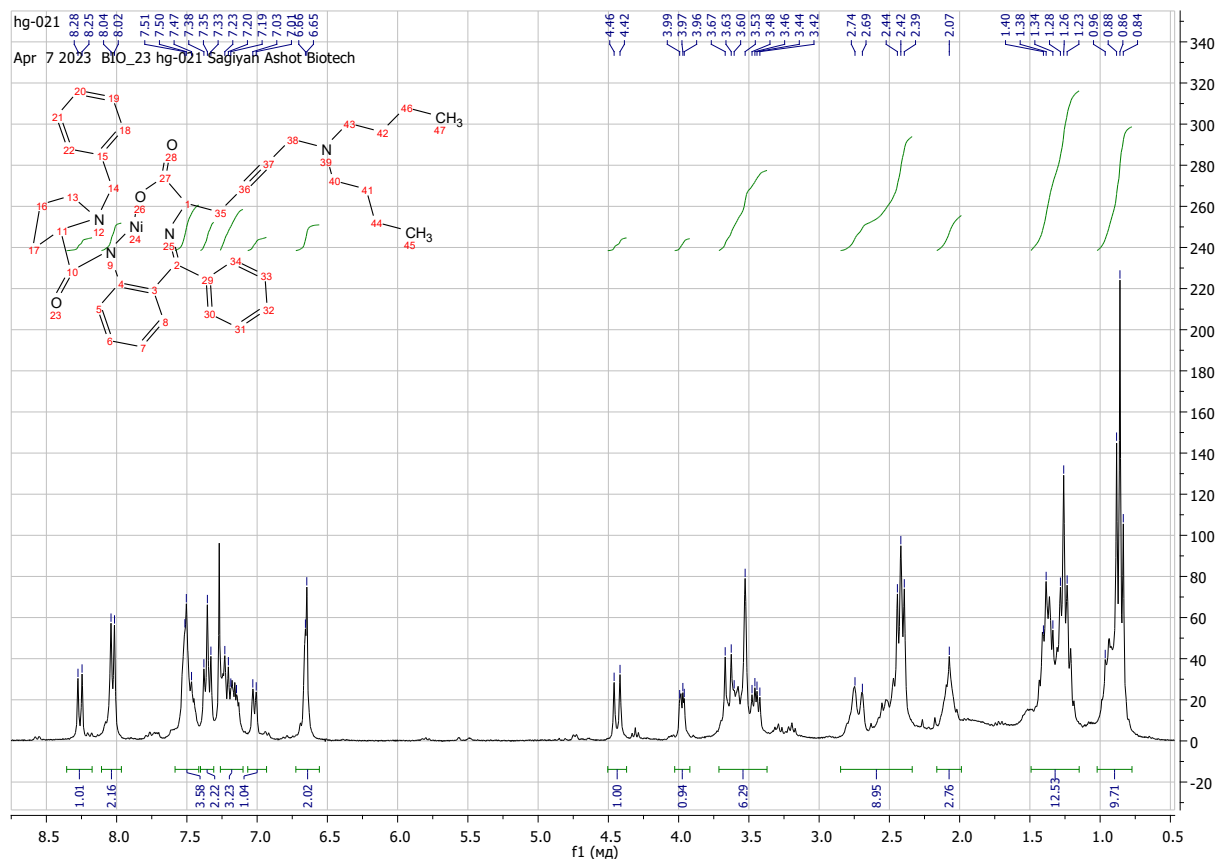
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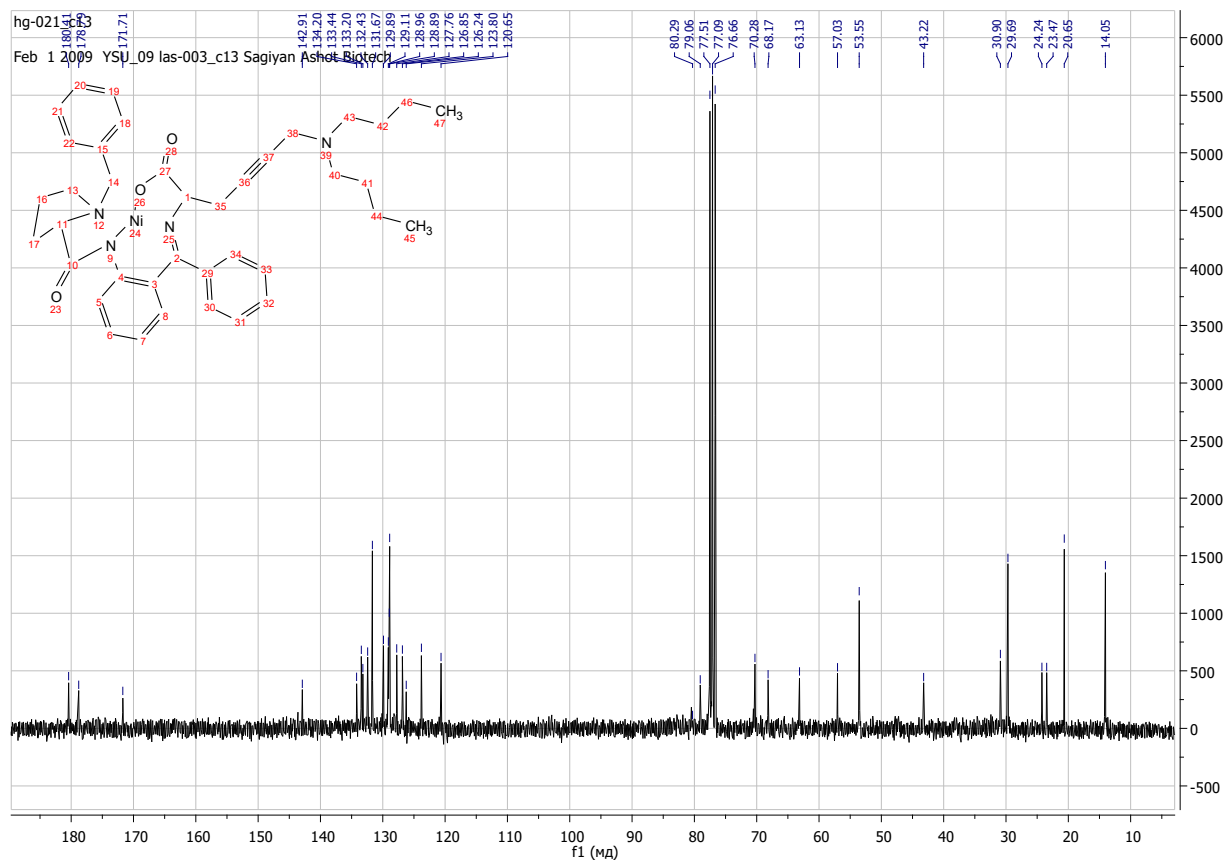
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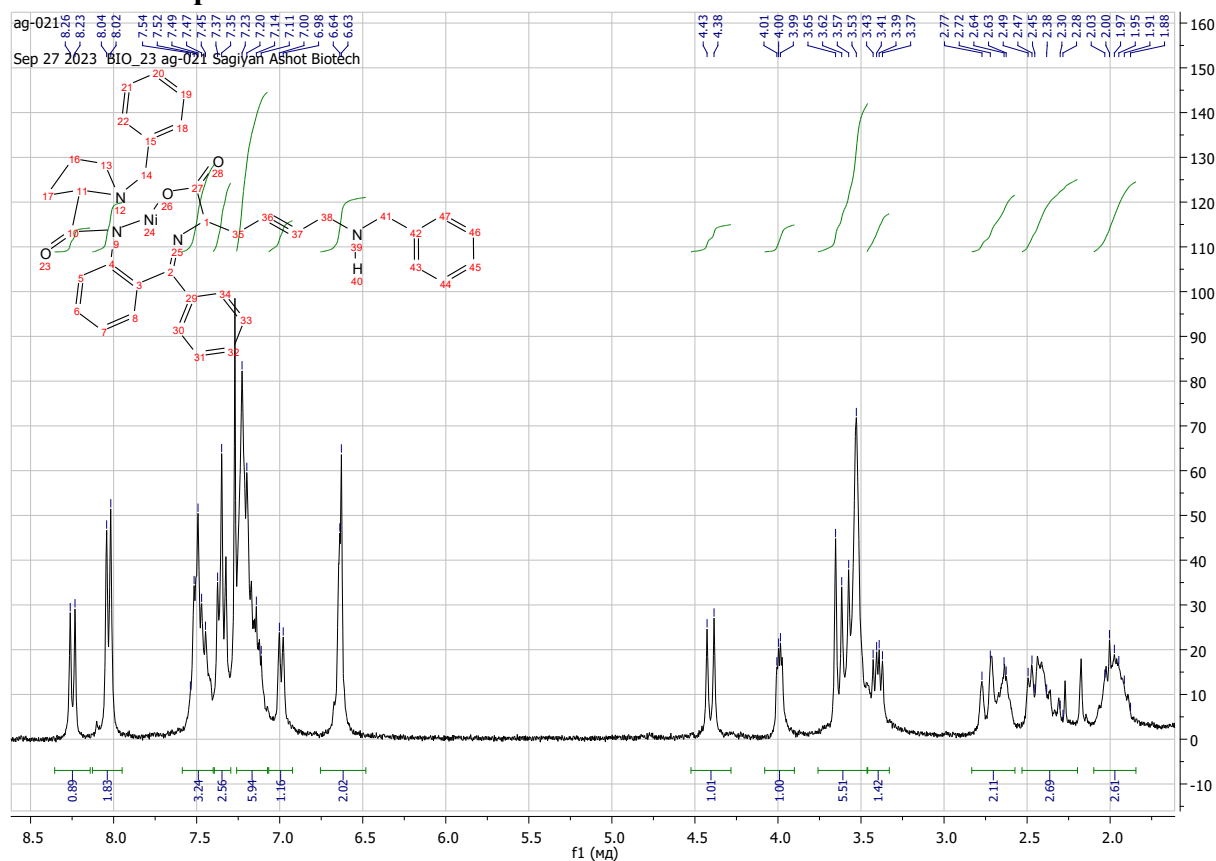
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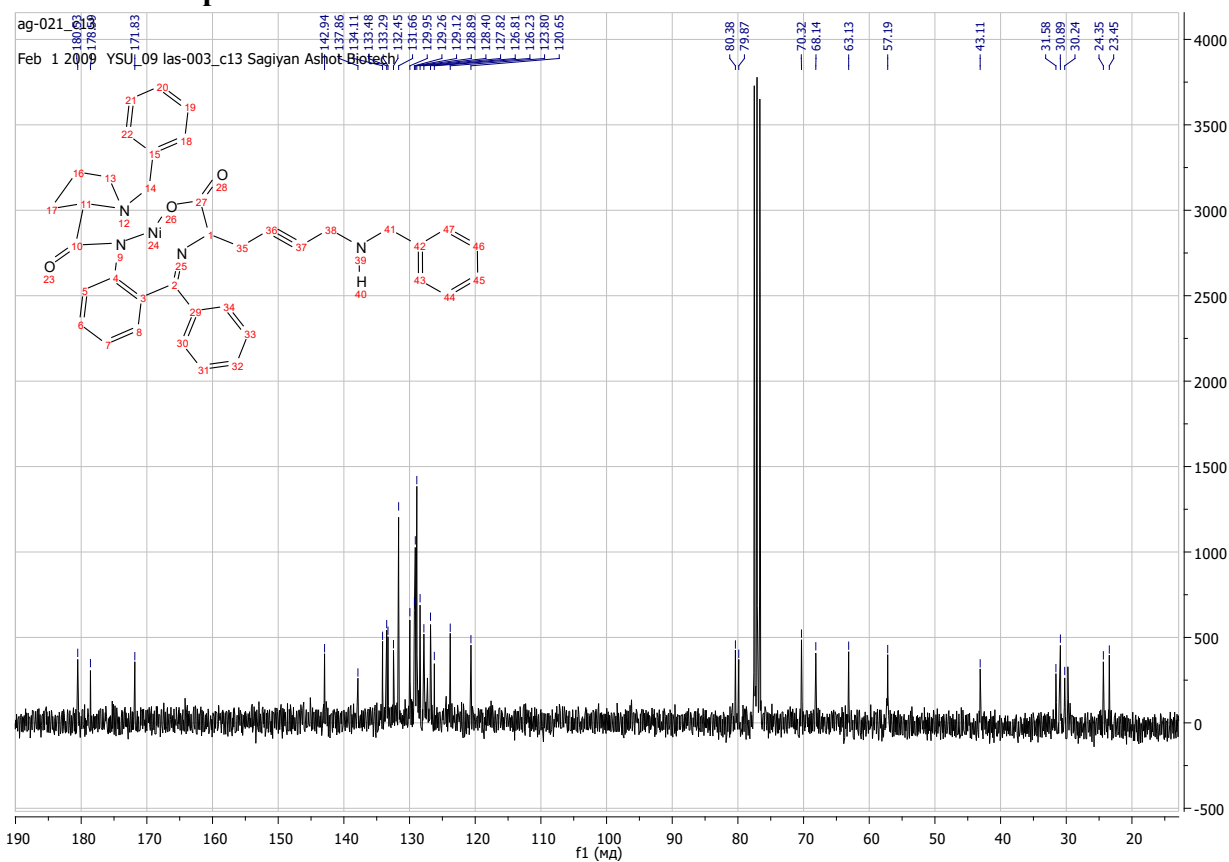
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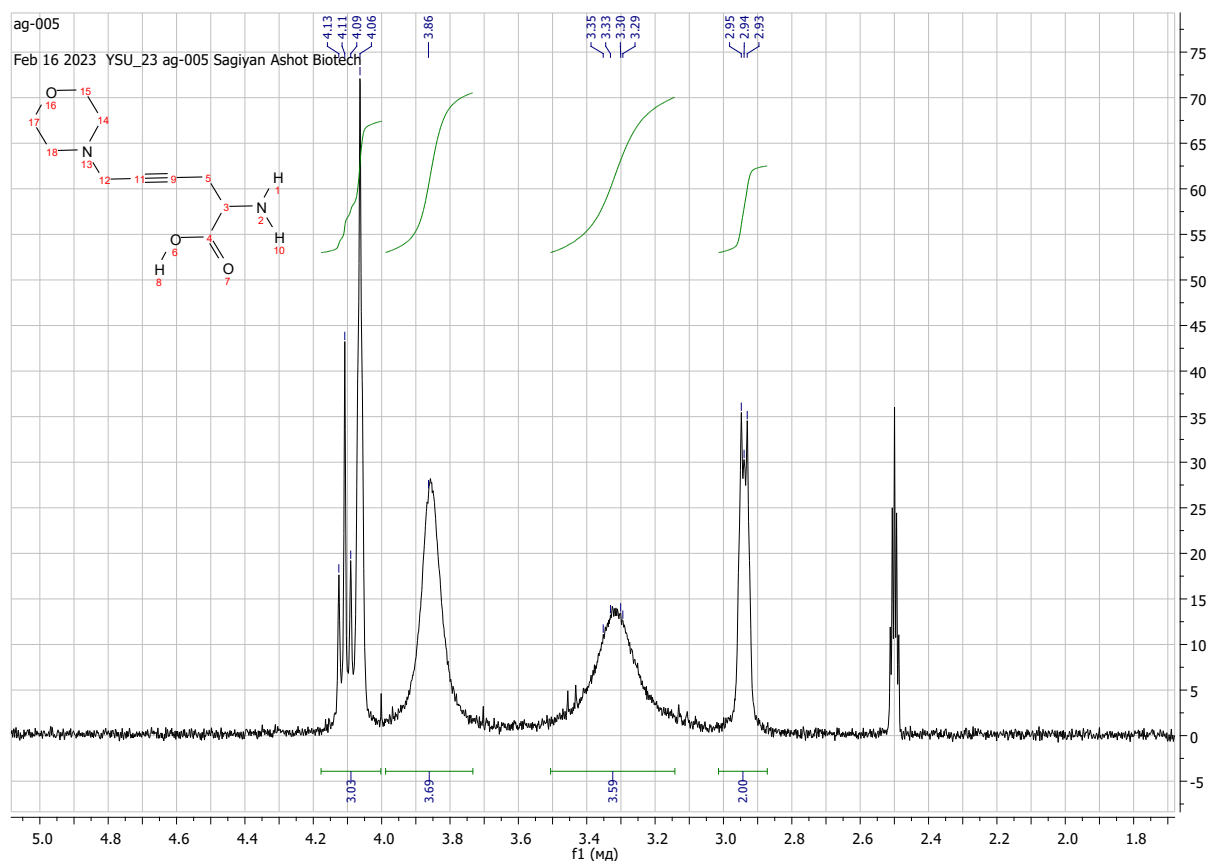
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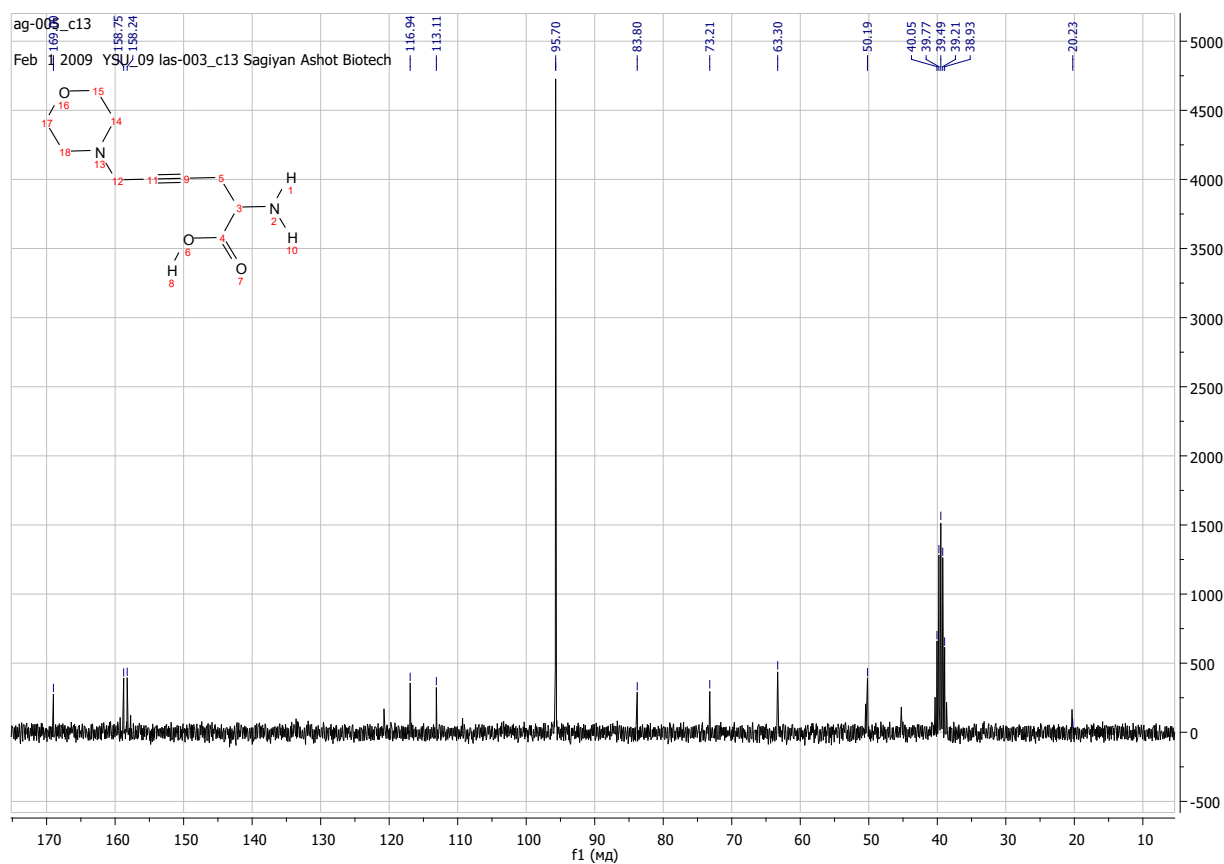
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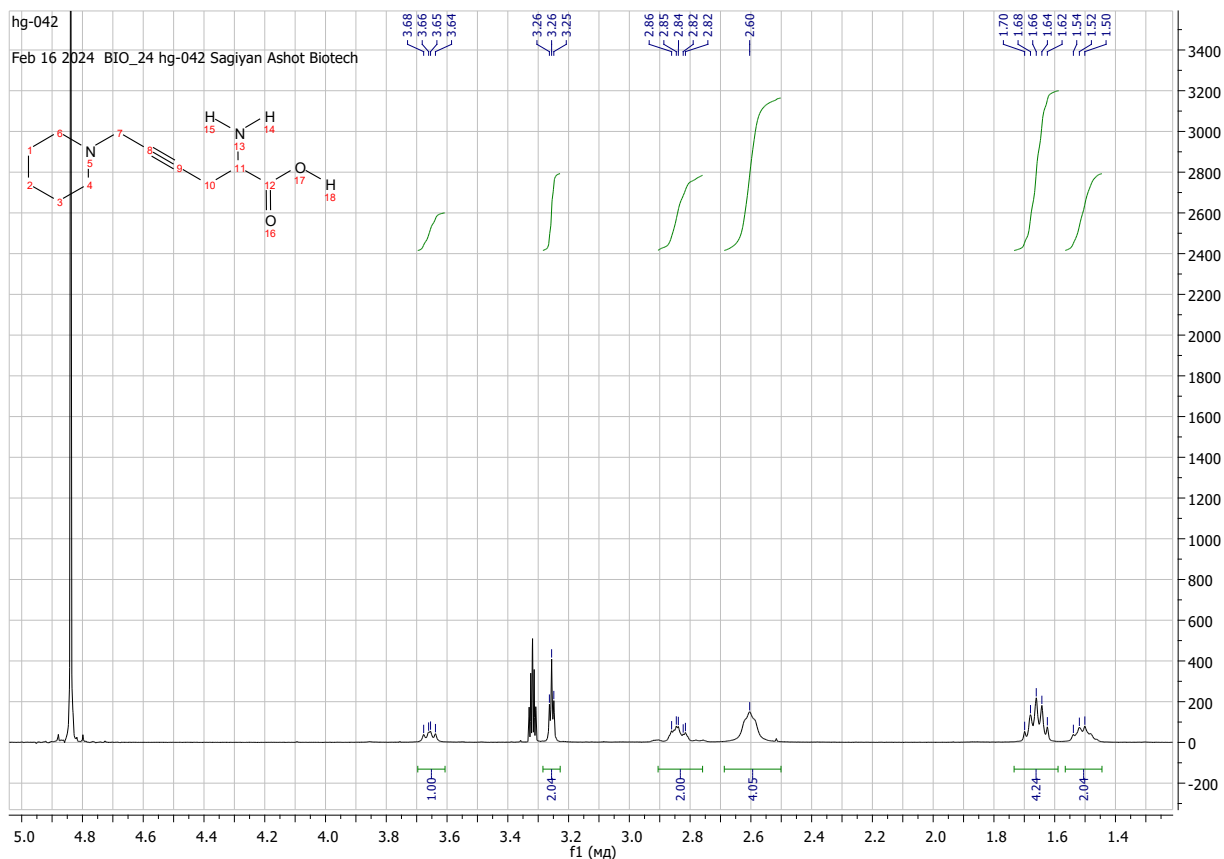
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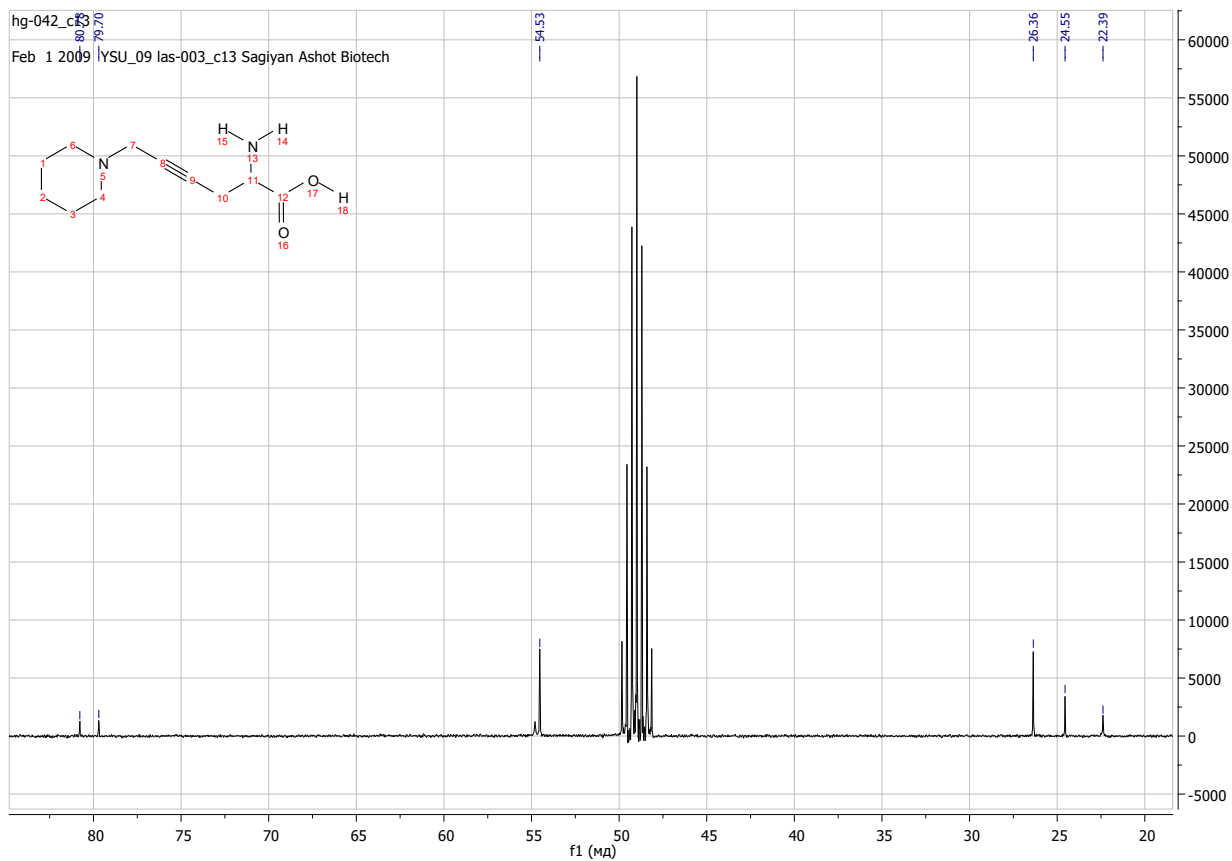
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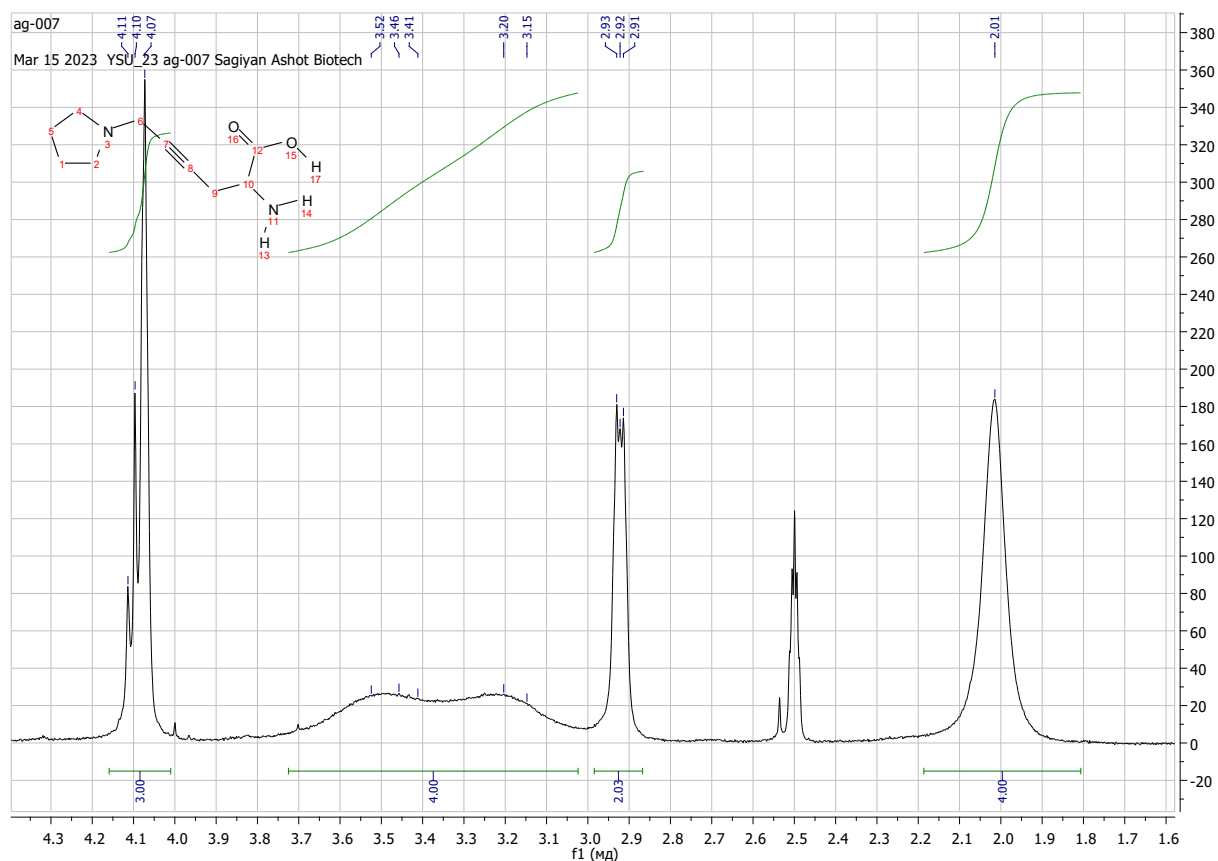
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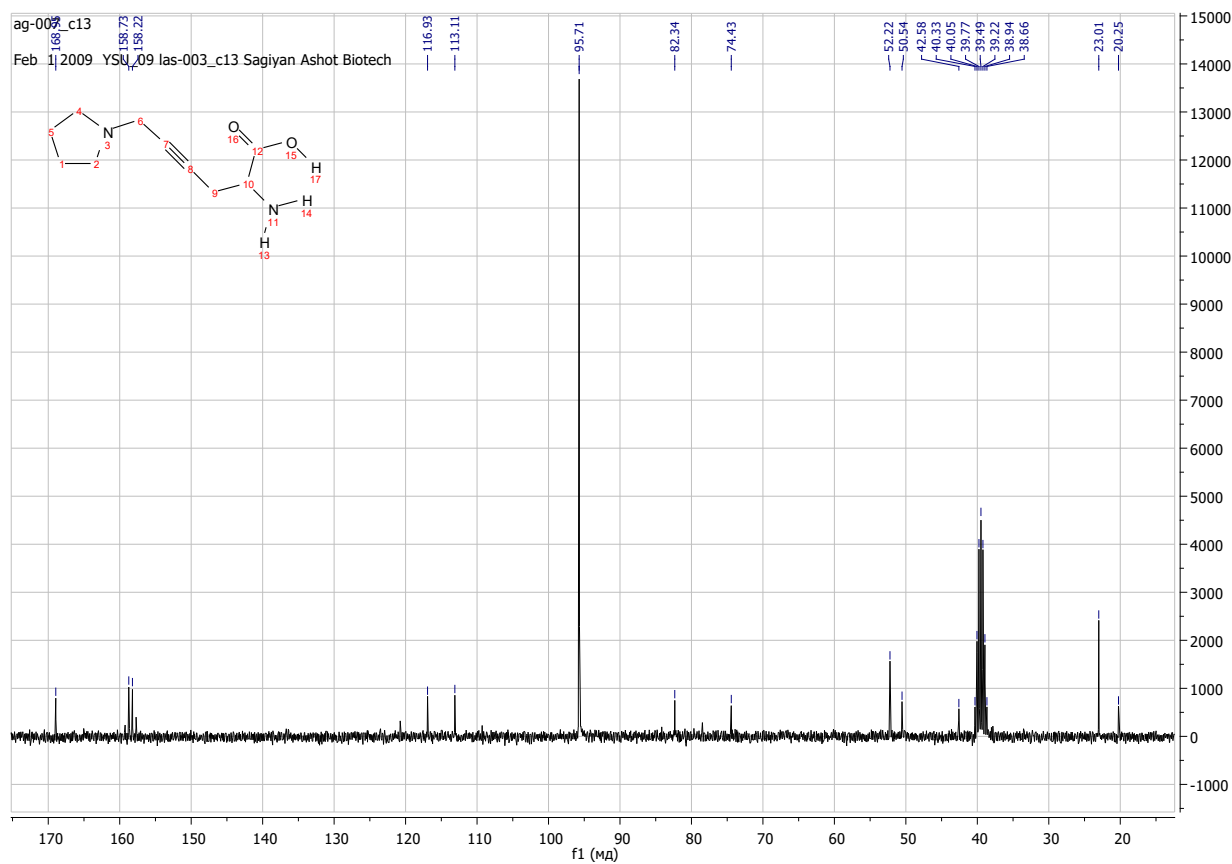
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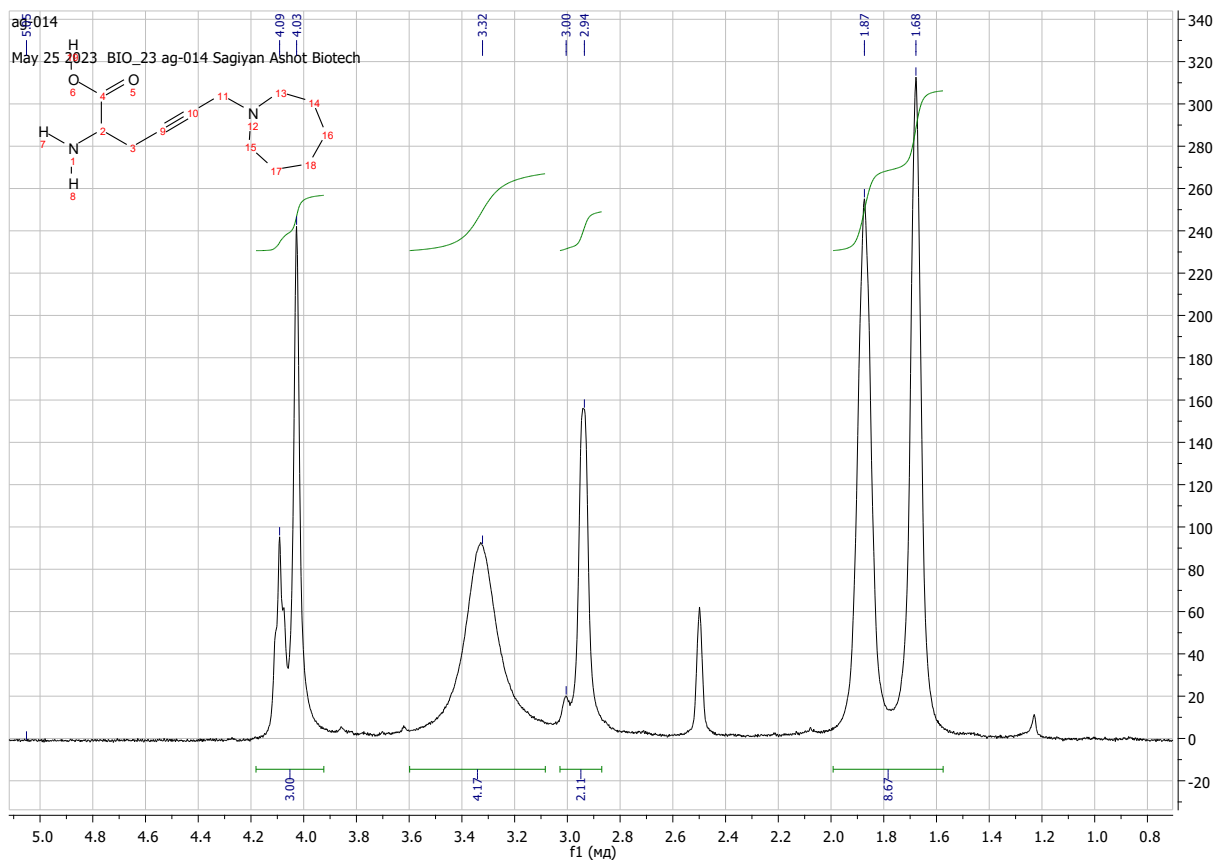
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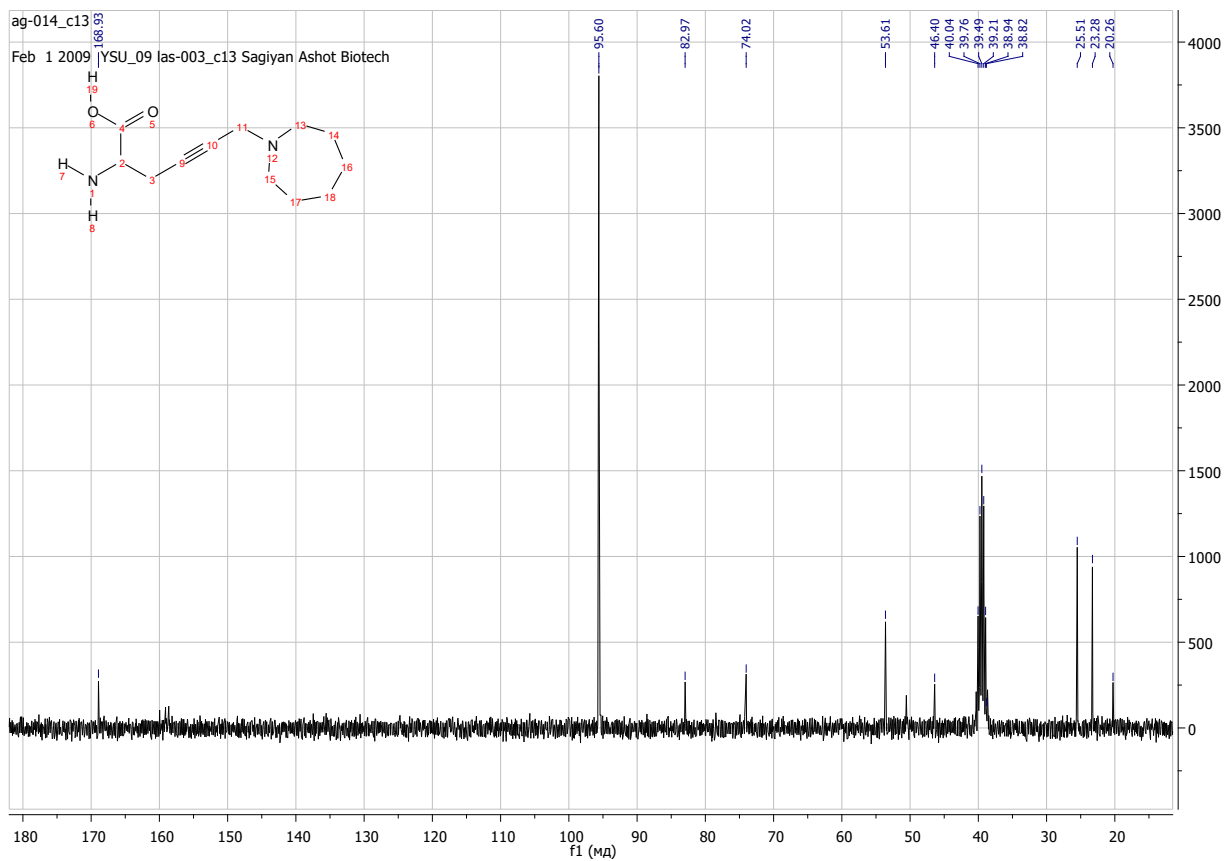
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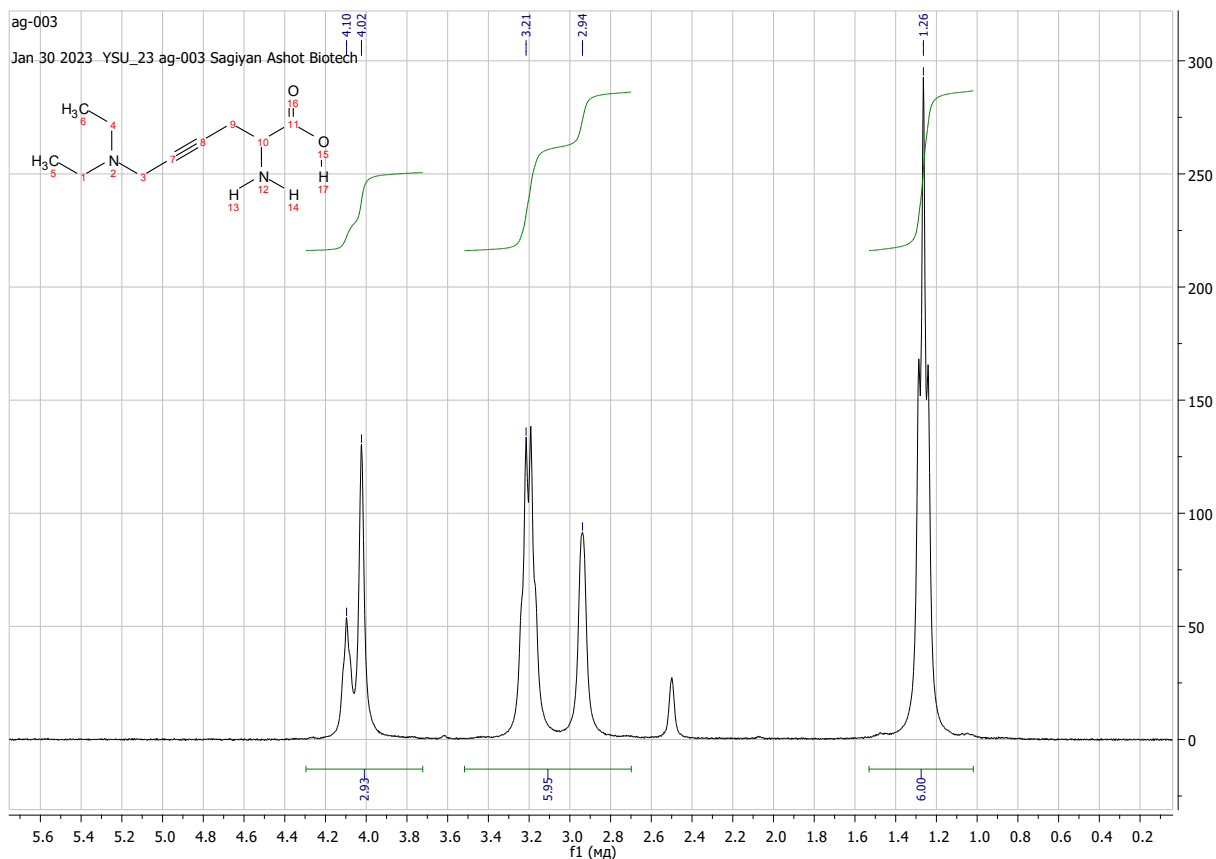
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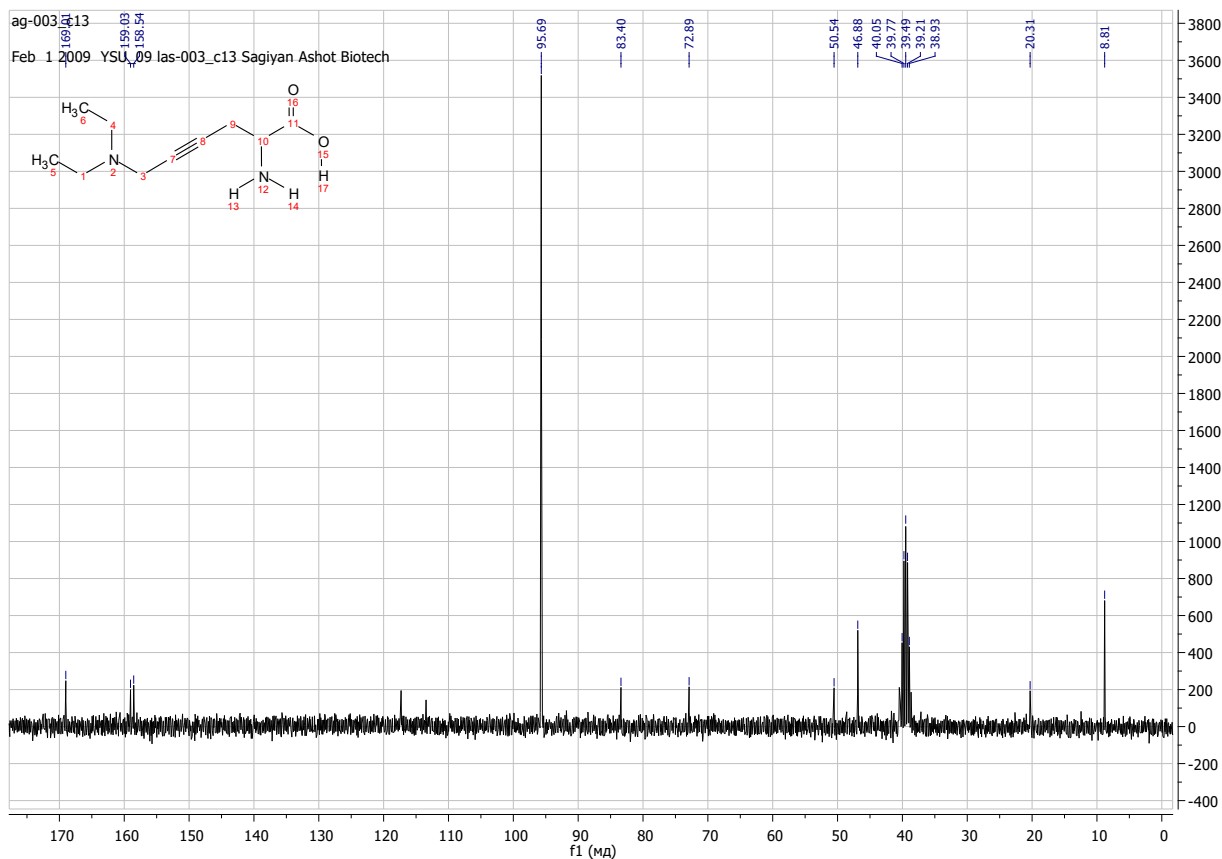
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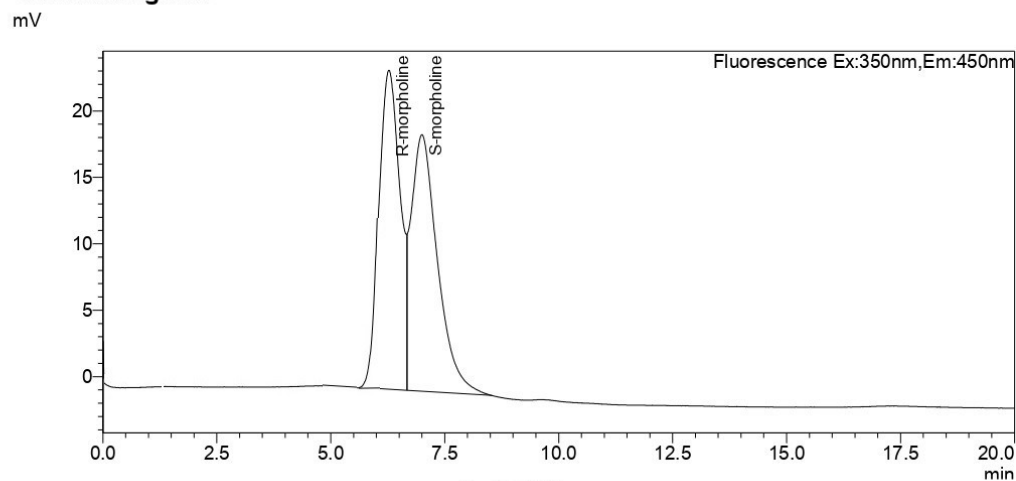


HPLC analysis of (*S*, *R*)-2-amino-6-morpholinohex-4-ynoic acid-4a

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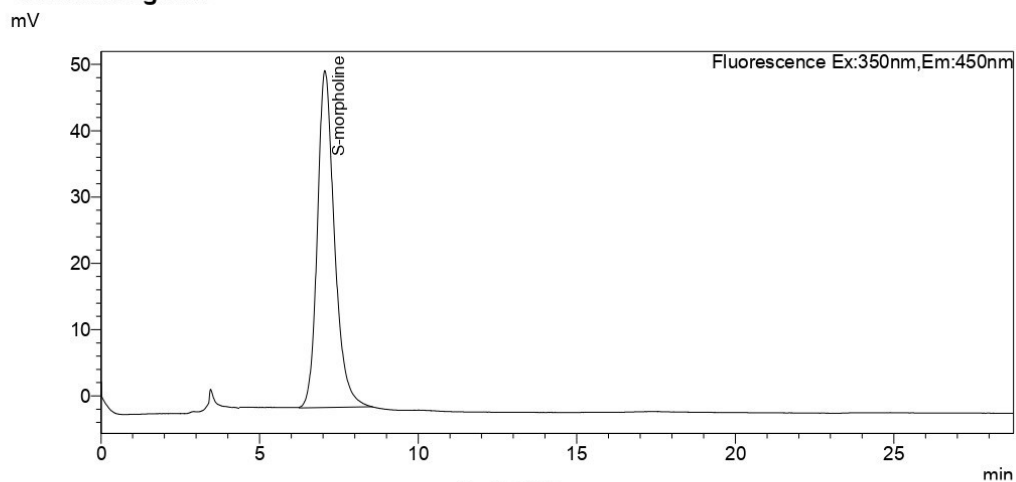
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HPLC analysis of 4a

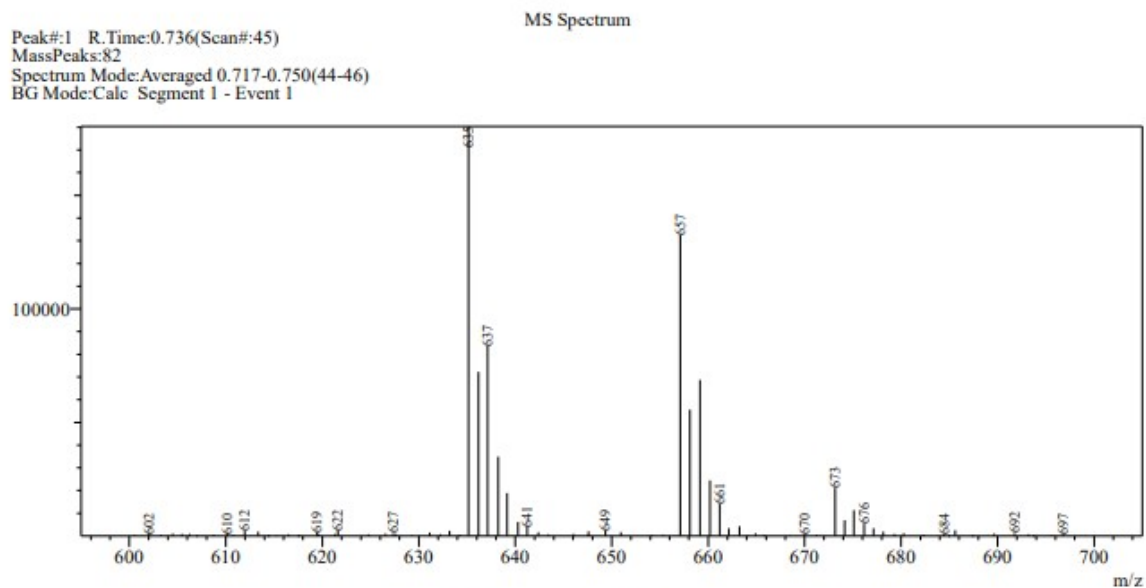
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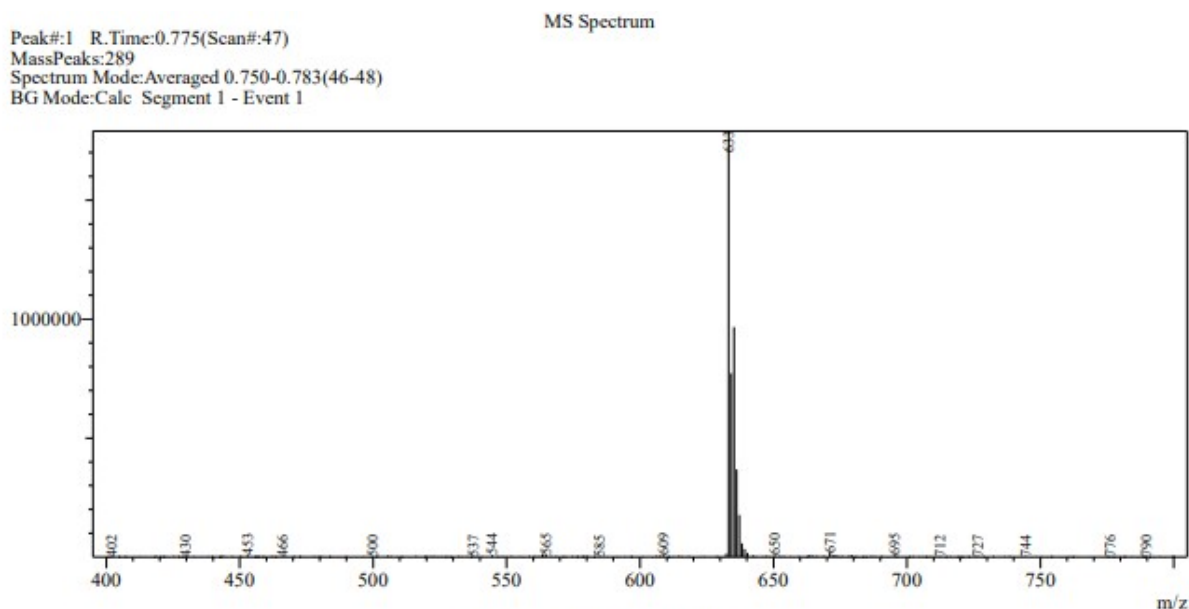
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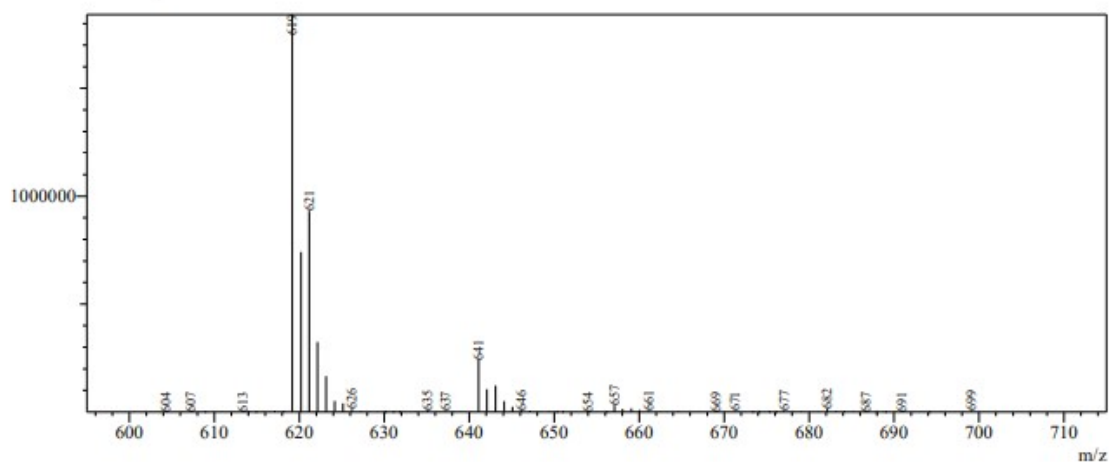
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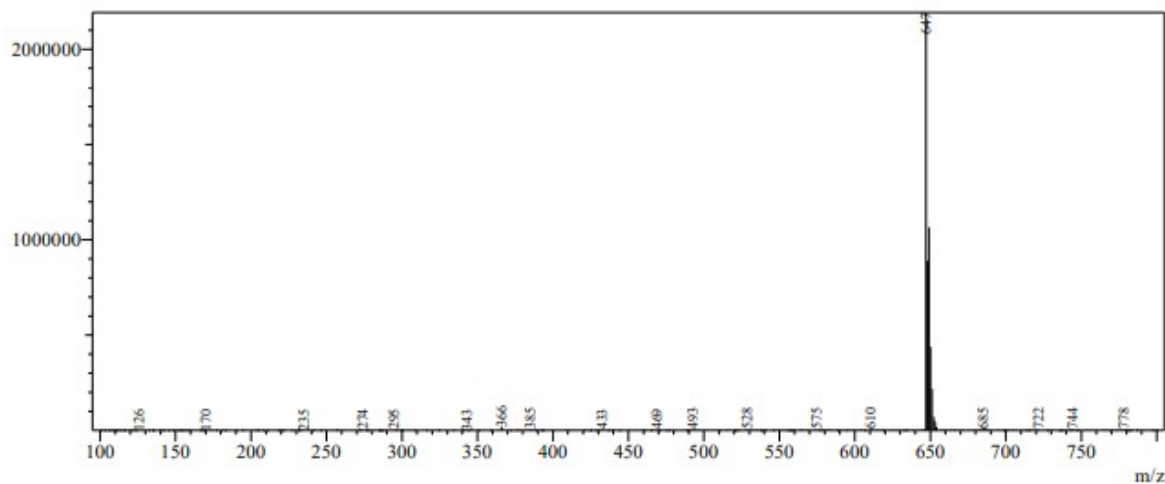
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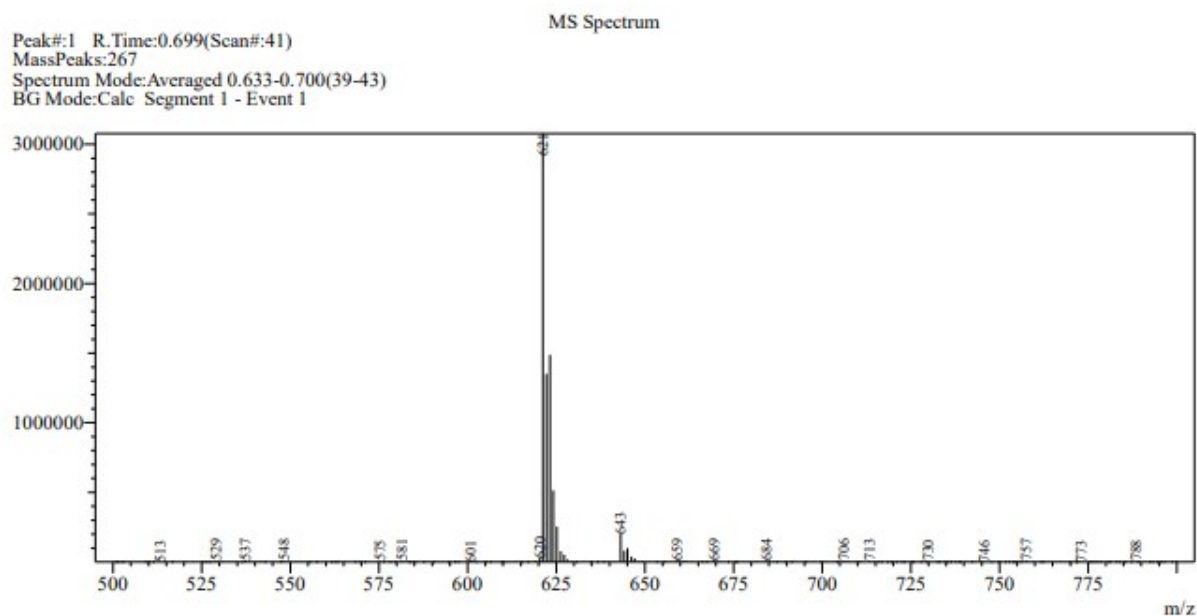
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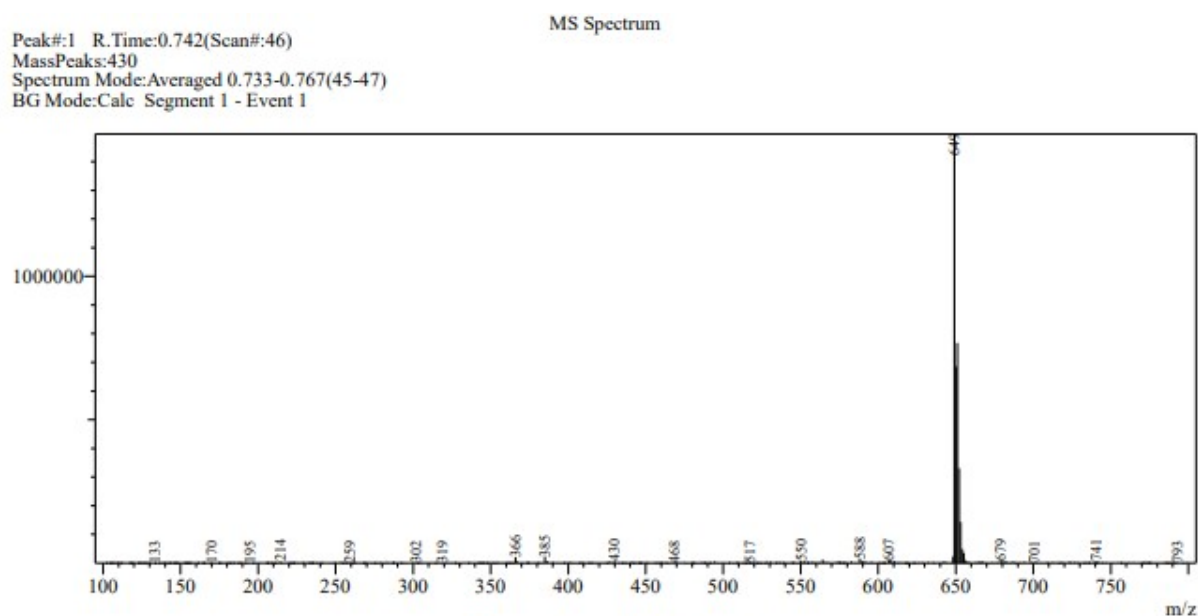
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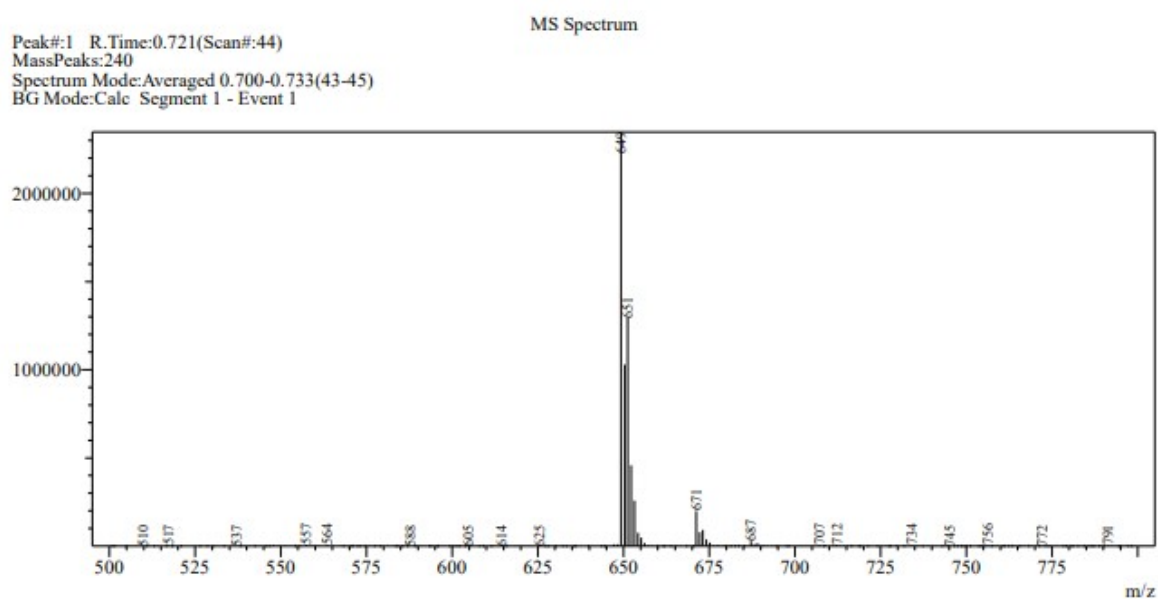
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X-Ray study

The diffraction measurements of crystals of compounds **3a**, **3c** and **3e** were carried out at temperature of 100K on a XtaLAB Synergy-S diffractometer using Mo-K α radiation, ω -scans rotation. A multi-scan absorption correction for all samples was performed using CrysAlisPro 1.171.43.92a (Rigaku Oxford Diffraction, 2023) using spherical harmonics, implemented in SCALE3 ABSPACK scaling algorithm. The structures were solved by direct method and refined using the software package SHELXTL. In all structural models, all hydrogen atoms were positioned geometrically and refined using riding model. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically by full-matrix least squares methods. Crystallographic and experimental data and depositions numbers are listed in table 1.

Table 1. Crystallographic and experimental data

Crystal Data			
Compound	3a	3c	3e
Depositions Number	2355404	2355346	2355349
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Formula Weight	635.39	619.39	621.40
Crystal System	Orthorhombic	Monoclinic	Orthorhombic
Space group	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	P2 ₁	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁
a, b, c [Å]	7.9906(1), 13.1337(1), 28.5419(3)	9.8518(2), 9.0638(1), 16.7122(3)	8.0669(1), 11.4585(1), 32.7459(4)
α , β , γ [deg.]	90, 90, 90	90, 90.598(1), 90	90, 90, 90
V [Å ³]	2995.36(5)	1492.23(4)	3026.85(6)
Z	4	2	4
D(calc) [g/cm ³]	1.409	1.378	1.364
μ (MoK α) [mm ⁻¹], T _{min} , T _{max}	0.695 0.62623, 1.00000	0.693, 0.43958, 1.00000	0.683, 0.66803, 1.00000
F(000)	1336	652	1312
Crystal Size [mm]	0.30×0.15×0.10	0.30×0.16×0.10	0.32×0.24×0.10
Data Collection			
Temperature (K)	100	100	100
Radiation [Å]	MoK α 0.71073	MoK α 0.71073	MoK α 0.71073
$\theta_{\min}$, $\theta_{\max}$ [Deg]	2.1, 33.0	2.1, 33.6	2.2, 33.7
Dataset	-11≤h≤11; -20≤k≤19; -40≤l≤42	-14≤h≤15; -13≤k≤13; -25≤l≤25	-12≤h≤12; -17≤k≤15; -50≤l≤51
Tot., Uniq. Data, R(int)	106683, 10298, 0.027	54508, 10491, 0.047	113657, 11103, 0.022
Observed data [I > 2.0 σ (I)]	9974	9696	10858
Refinement			
Nref, Npar	10298, 397	10491, 388	11103, 390
R, wR2, S	0.0219, 0.0570, 1.02	0.0320, 0.0805, 1.04	0.0220, 0.0595, 1.06

The full crystallographic data in CIF format are available at: <https://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/about-us/> (free of charge), deposition number are CCDC 2355404, 2355346, 2355349.

Molecular docking

The structures of the compounds were build using ChemBioOffice 2010 (ChemBio3D Ultra 12.0). Minimization of the ligand free energy was performed using the MM2 force field and the truncated Newton-Raphson method. The crystallographic structure of collagenase G (PDB ID: 2Y50) was used in analysis. Water molecules were removed, and polar hydrogens were added according to software producer's suggested protocol of macromolecule preparation. Docking of ligands to the enzyme was performed using AutoGrid 4 and AutoDock Vina software². Ligands were ranked based on an energy-dependent score function, and protein-ligand interactions were modeled on a grid to speed up calculations. Interaction modes were identified as well as bond types and lengths were determined.

Determination of collagenase activity

Collagenase activity was determined by a method based on the measurement of free amino groups that are released during substrate hydrolysis³. The reaction mixture consisted of 0.05 M HEPES buffer (4-(2-hydroxyethyl)-1-piperazineethanesulfonic acid) with pH 7.2, 10 mg/ml gelatin and 0.025 mg/ml collagenase, the reaction was carried out at 37 °C. To determine the concentration of amino groups, the ortho-phthalaldehyde (OPA) reagent was used consisting of 0.2 M borate buffer with pH 9.7, 0.1667 mg/ml OPA and 1.18 mM mercaptoethanol. Aliquots of 50 µL were taken every 30 minutes, and the reaction was stopped by adding 10 µL of 30% trichloroacetic acid. Then 1.5 mL of OPA reagent and 1.5 mL of water were added to the resulting sample, and the A340 value was recorded after 5-minute incubation at a temperature of 27 °C.

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