

Supplementary Information

Cellular Engagement of the SARS-CoV-2 Macrodomein by GS-441524 and Enhanced In Vitro Inhibition by its Diphosphorylated Metabolite

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Synthesis of phosphorylated derivatives of GS-441524

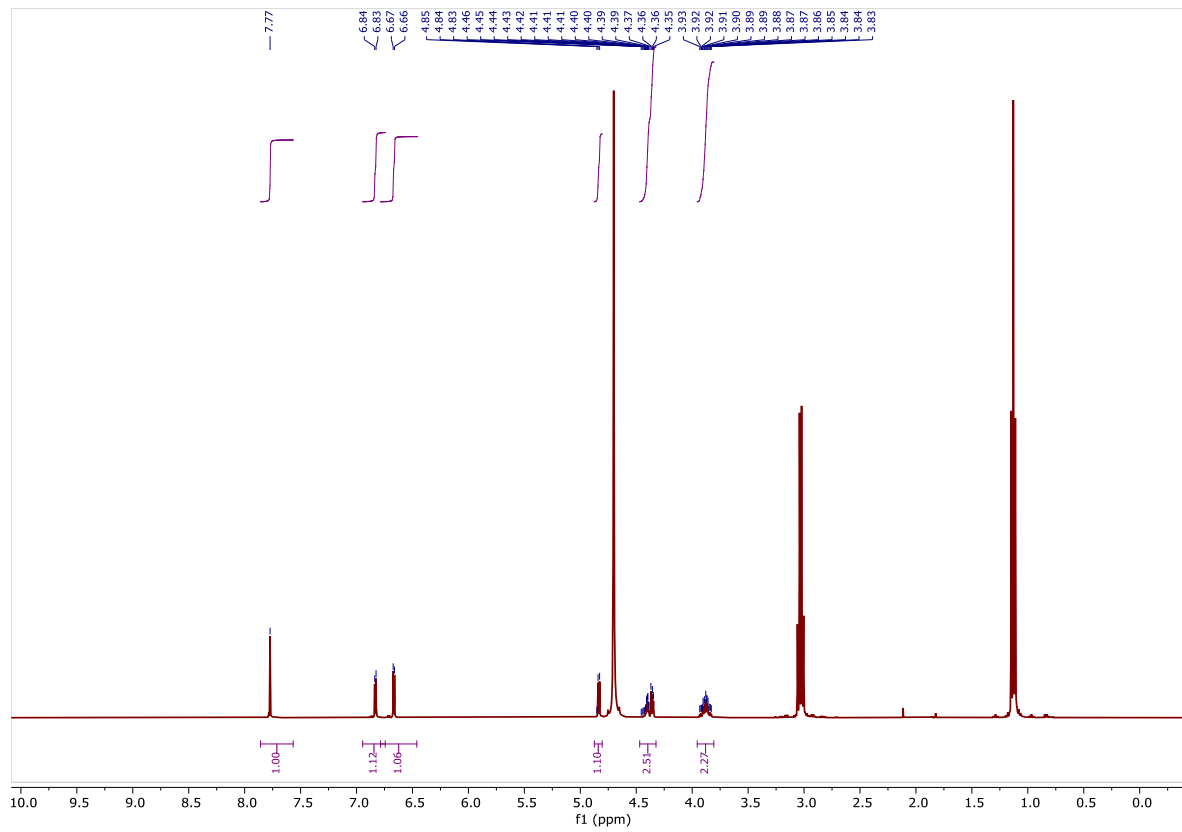
Reagents: Reagents and solvents were purchased from Fluorochem, Sigma–Aldrich and AlfaAesar. Trimethylphosphate and phosphorus(V)oxychloride were dried by distillation. CH₃CN was degassed under a positive stream of argon just before its use. Unless otherwise stated, all the reactions were performed under a positive atmosphere of argon by standard syringe, cannula and septa techniques. Reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC) using Merck silica gel 60 F254 plates and visualized by UV (254 nm). Purifications of nucleoside phosphates were performed using HPLC (Waters modular HPLC system) on a column packed with 10 μm C18 reversed phase (Phenomenex, Luna C18 (2) 100 Å). NMR spectra were measured on a Bruker AVANCE 400 in D₂O solutions at 25 °C. Chemical shifts (in ppm, δ scale) were referenced to the residual solvent signal in ¹H spectra. Coupling constants (*J*) are given in Hz. HPLC-MS analyses were performed on Shimadzu UFLC-MS-2020 system with ESI. Column: Acquity UPLC BEH C18 1.7 μm, 2.1x50 mm. Solvent A: H₂O + 0.1% HCOOH; Solvent B: CH₃CN + 0.1% COOH. Total flow 0.6 ml/min. Total time of the method 10 min. The mass spectrum was recorded in the range 100-1500 m/z both in positive and negative mode with event time 0.2 s. or in the range 350-1300 m/z in positive mode with event time 0.2 s.

GS-441524 monophosphate

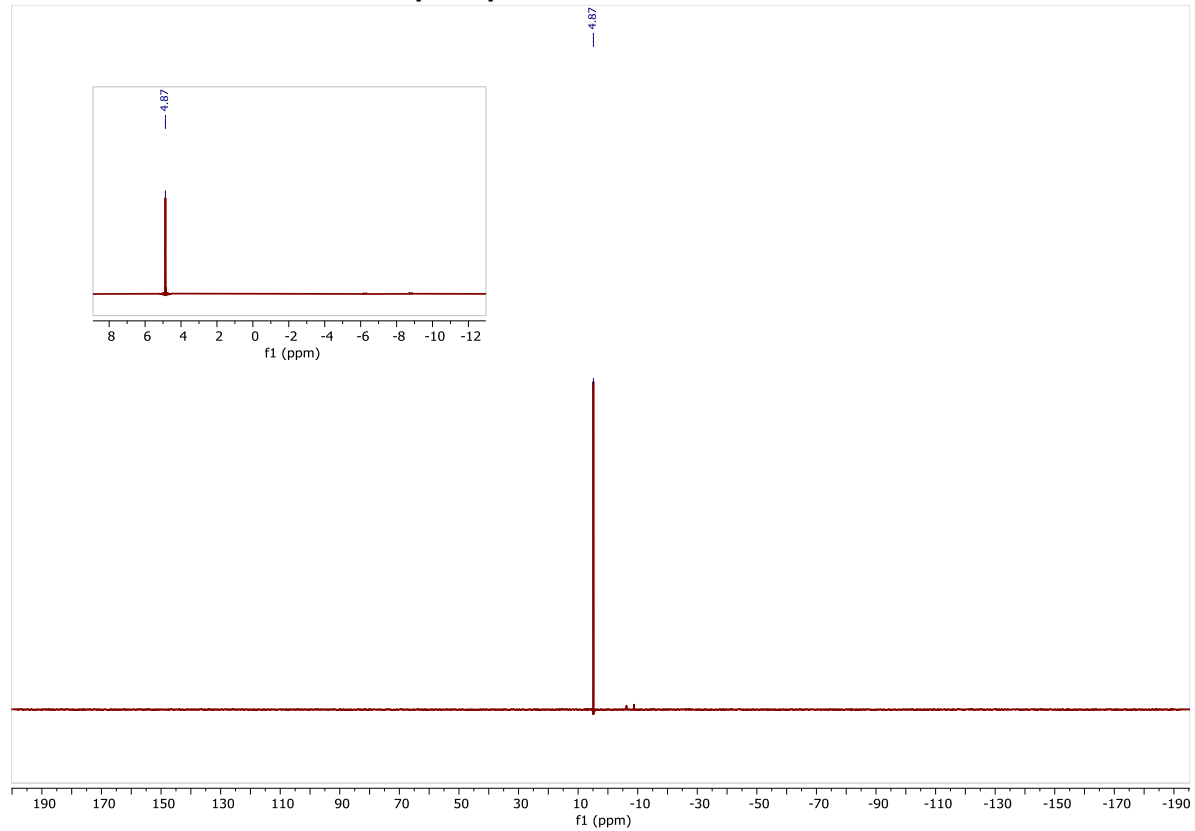
The commercially available nucleoside GS-441524 (CAS No.: 1191237-69-0, 10 mg, 0.034 mmol) was dried under vacuum for 2 hours at 50 °C. The solid was dissolved in dry trimethylphosphate (300 μL) and the resulting solution was cooled to 0 °C. Freshly distilled POCl₃ (1.2 equiv., 0.04 mmol, 6 mg, 4 μL) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 1 hour. The reaction was quenched by dropwise addition of cold 2M TEAB (1 mL). The mixture was concentrated on a rotary evaporator and the residue was co-evaporated several times with milli-Q water. The crude product was dissolved in water (ca 3 mL), filtered and purified by semi-preparative HPLC using a linear gradient of methanol (5→100%) in 0.1 M TEAB buffer. The appropriate fractions were combined and evaporated on a rotary evaporator. The viscous oil was co-evaporated three times with milli-Q water and the product was finally freeze-dried from water to obtain a white solid (11 mg, triethylammonium salt, 66% yield).

¹H NMR (400 MHz, D₂O) δ 7.77 (s, 1H), 6.83 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.83 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.47 – 4.32 (m, 3H), 3.95 – 3.81 (m, 2H). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, D₂O) δ 4.87. MS (calcd. for C₁₂H₁₄N₅O₇P): 371.063; found [M+H]⁺ 372.10; found [M-H]⁻ 370.10.

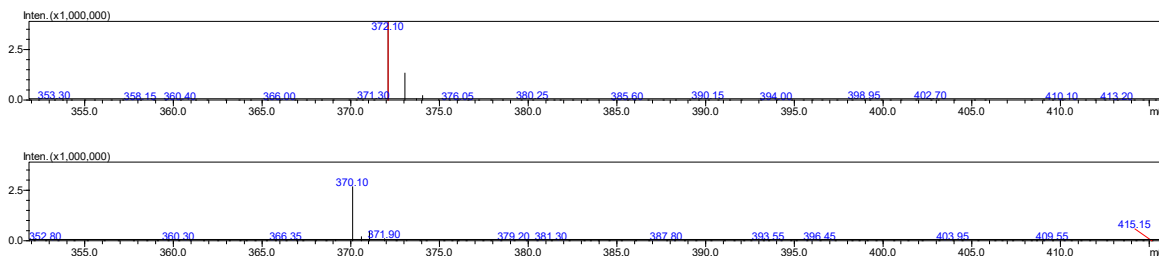
¹H NMR of GS-441524 monophosphate



³¹P NMR of GS-441524 monophosphate



Mass analysis of GS-441524 monophosphate

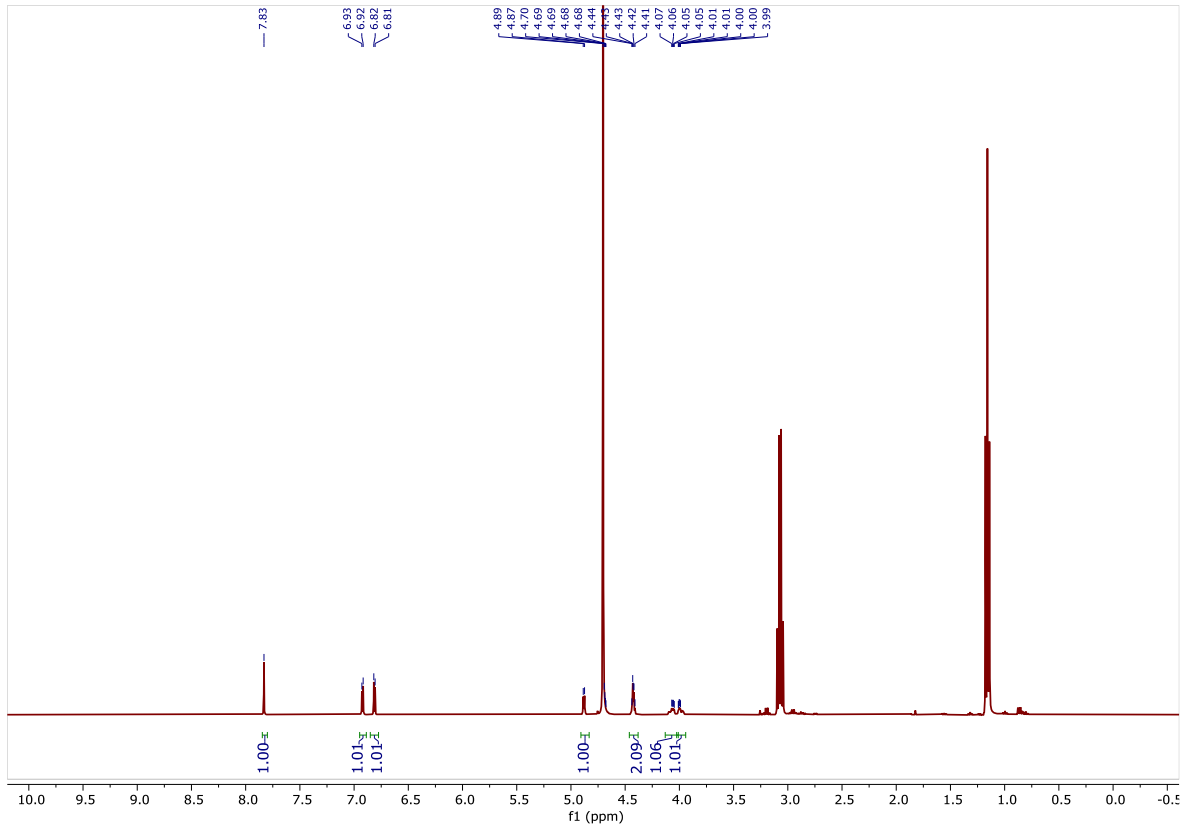


GS-441524 diphosphate

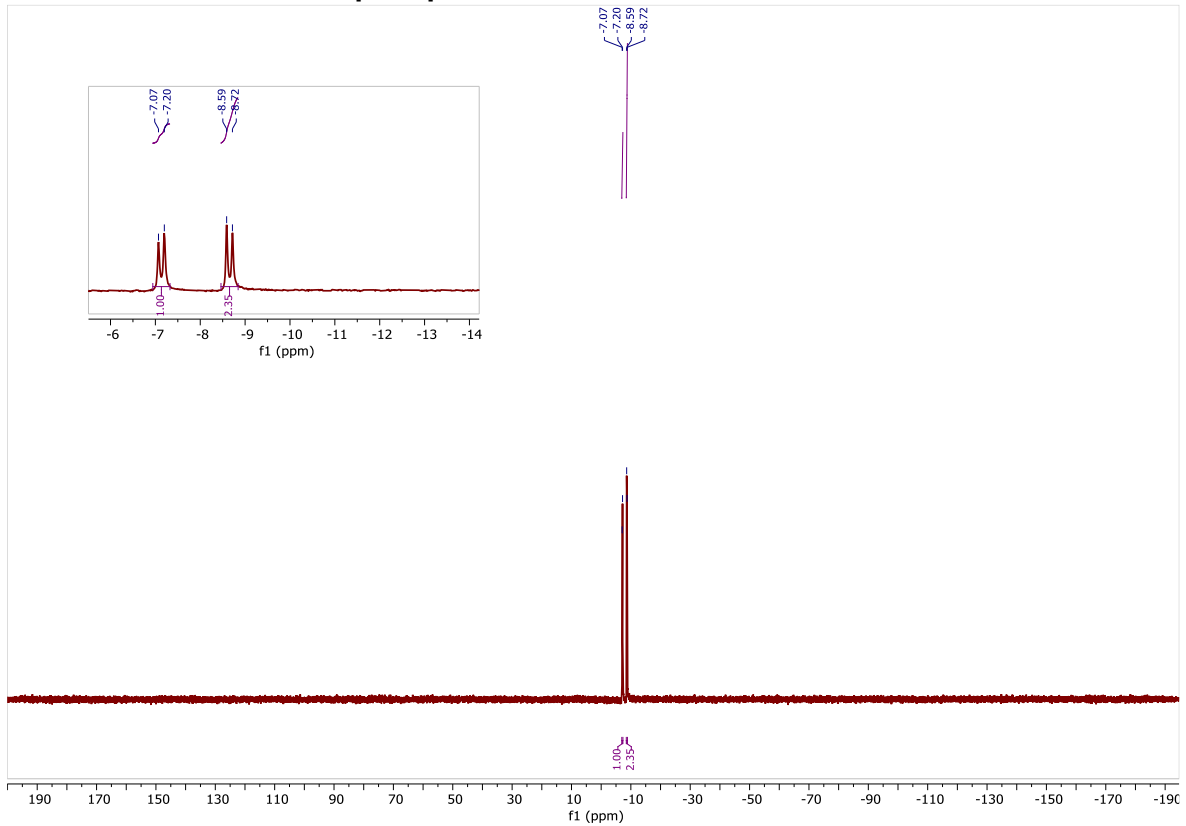
The commercially available nucleoside GS-441524 (CAS No.: 1191237-69-0, 50 mg, 0.172 mmol) was dried under vacuum for 2 hours at 50 °C. The solid was dissolved in dry trimethylphosphate (750 μ L) and the resulting solution was cooled at 0 °C. Freshly distilled POCl₃ (1.2 equiv., 0.206 mmol, 32 mg, 19.3 μ L) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 1 hour. Then, an ice-cold solution of tributylammonium orthophosphate (5 equiv., 0.86 mmol, 402 mg) and tributylamine (5 equiv., 0.86 mmol, 159 mg, 204 μ L) in anhydrous acetonitrile (2 mL) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1.5 hour at 0 °C and then quenched by dropwise addition of cold 2M TEAB (1 mL). The mixture was concentrated on a rotary evaporator and the residue was co-evaporated several times with milli-Q water. The crude product was dissolved in water (ca 3 mL), filtered and purified by semi-preparative HPLC using a linear gradient of methanol (5 \rightarrow 100%) in 0.1 M TEAB buffer. The appropriate fractions were combined and evaporated on a rotary evaporator. The viscous oil was co-evaporated three times with milli-Q water and the product was finally freeze-dried from water to obtain a white solid (25 mg, triethylammonium salt, 23% yield).

¹H NMR (401 MHz, D₂O) δ 7.83 (s, 1H), 6.92 (d, J = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (dd, J = 5.9, 2.5 Hz, 2H), 4.06 (dd, J = 6.3, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 4.03 – 3.94 (m, 1H). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, D₂O) δ -8.24 (d, J = 19.4 Hz), -8.88 (d, J = 19.9 Hz), -20.67 (t, J = 19.7 Hz). MS (calcd. for C₁₂H₁₅N₅O₁₀P₂): 451.029; found [M+H]⁺ 452.05; found [M-H]⁻ 449.95.

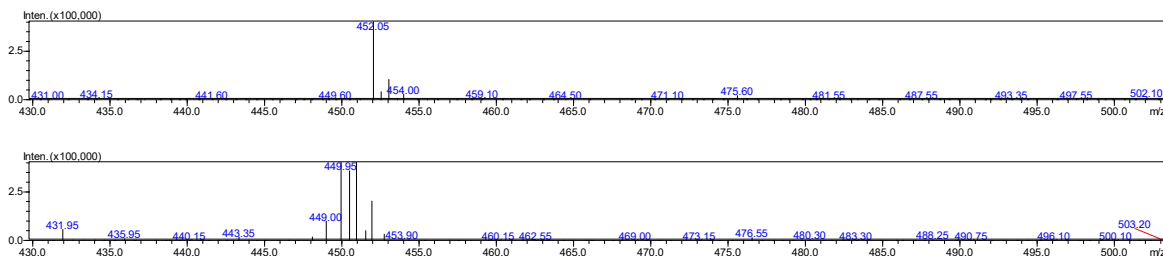
¹H NMR of GS-441524 diphosphate



³¹P NMR of GS-441524 diphosphate



Mass analysis of GS-441524 diphosphate

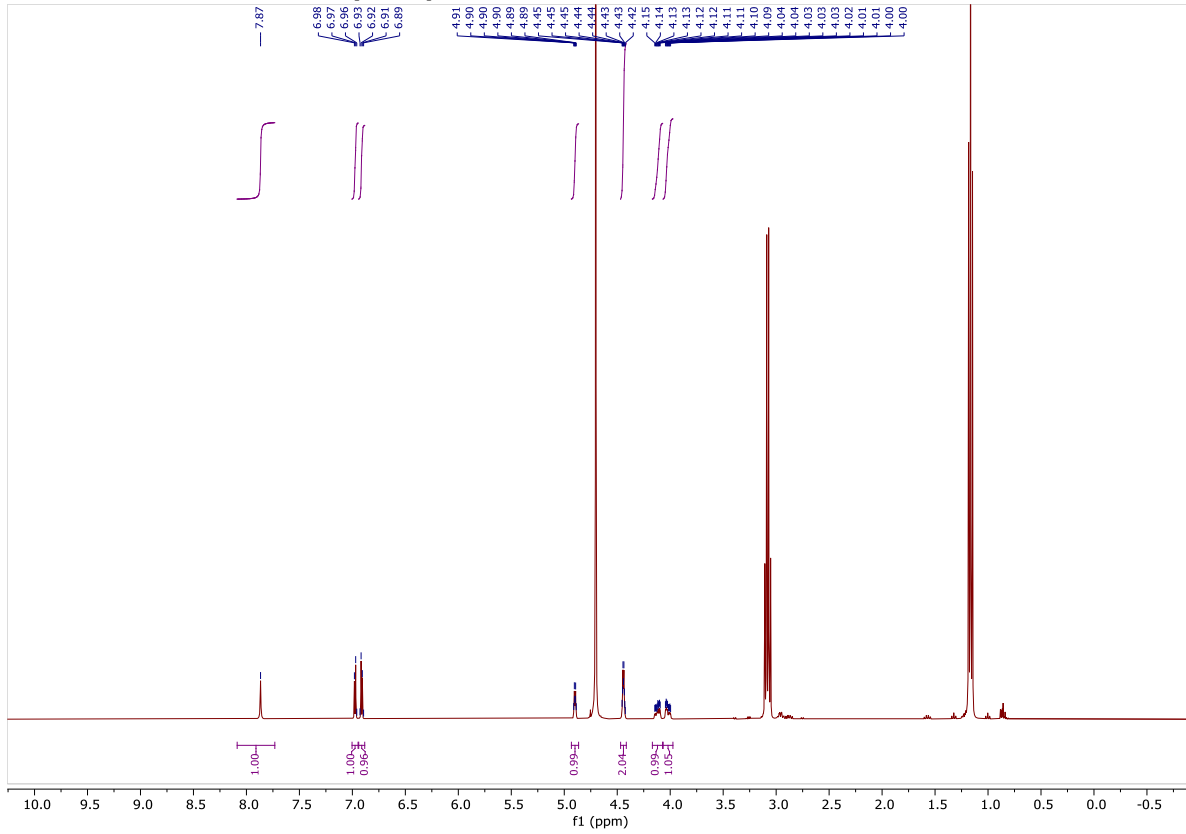


GS-441524 triphosphate

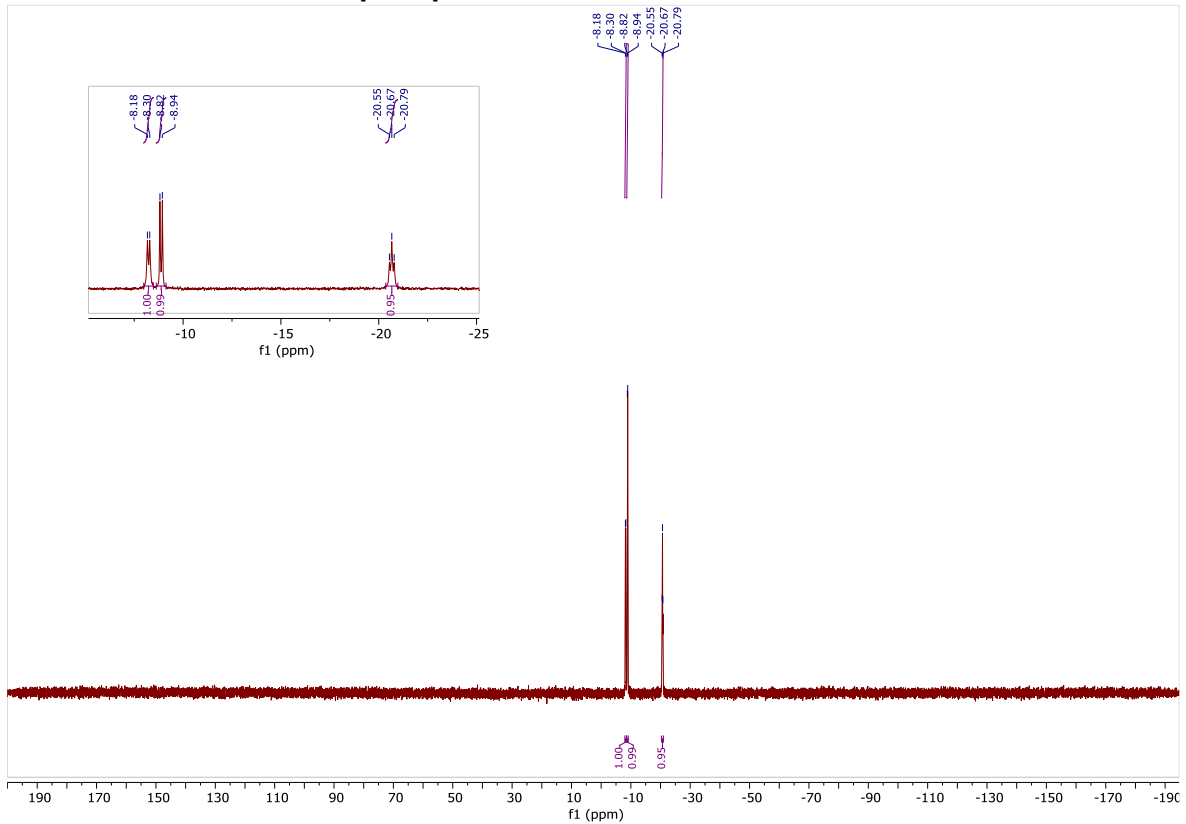
The commercially available nucleoside GS-441524 (CAS No.: 1191237-69-0, 50 mg, 0.172 mmol) was dried under vacuum for 2 hours at 50 °C. The solid was dissolved in dry trimethylphosphate (750 μ L) and the resulting solution was cooled at 0 °C. Freshly distilled POCl₃ (1.2 equiv., 0.206 mmol, 32 mg, 19.3 μ L) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 1 hour. Then, an ice-cold solution of tributylammonium pyrophosphate (5 equiv., 0.86 mmol, 471 mg) in anhydrous acetonitrile (6 mL) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 hour at 0 °C and then quenched by dropwise addition of cold 2M TEAB (1 mL). The mixture was concentrated on a rotary evaporator and the residue was co-evaporated several times with milli-Q water. The crude product was dissolved in water (ca 3 mL), filtered and purified by semi-preparative HPLC using a linear gradient of methanol (5 \rightarrow 100%) in 0.1 M TEAB buffer. The appropriate fractions were combined and evaporated on a rotary evaporator. The viscous oil was co-evaporated three times with milli-Q water and the product was finally freeze-dried from water to obtain a white solid (83 mg, triethylammonium salt, 58% yield).

¹H NMR (401 MHz, Deuterium Oxide) δ 7.87 (s, 1H), 6.97 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, J = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.93 – 4.86 (m, 1H), 4.44 (dd, J = 3.4, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 4.17 – 4.07 (m, 1H), 4.07 – 3.97 (m, 1H). ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, Deuterium Oxide) δ -8.24 (d, J = 19.4 Hz), -8.88 (d, J = 19.9 Hz), -20.67 (t, J = 19.7 Hz). MS (calcd. for C₁₂H₁₆N₅O₁₃P₃): 530.996; found [M+H]⁺ 531.90; found [M-H]⁻ 529.70.

¹H NMR of GS-441524 triphosphate



³¹P NMR of GS-441524 triphosphate



Mass analysis of GS-441524 triphosphate

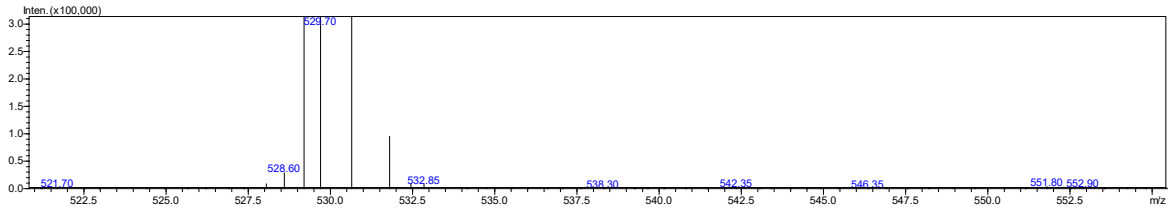
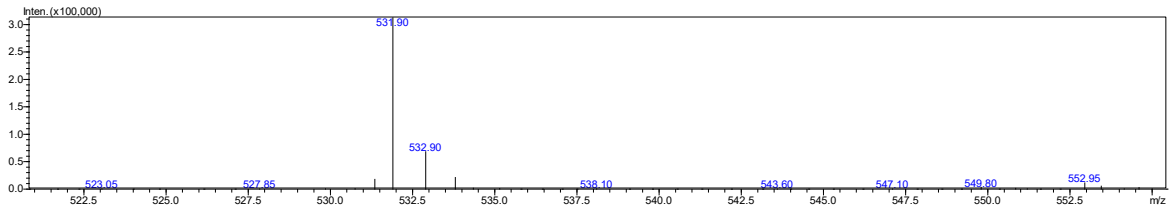


Figure S1

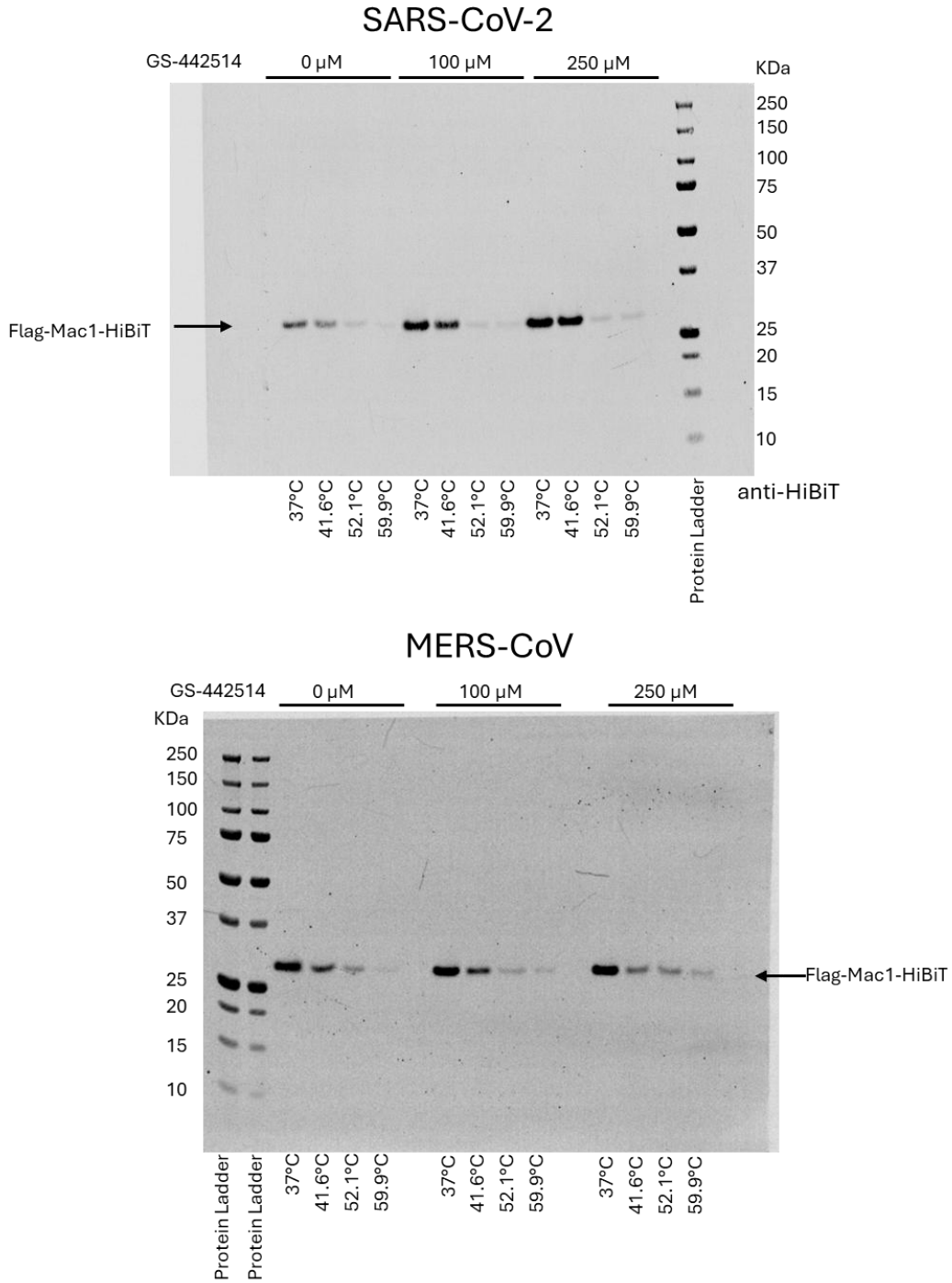


Figure S1: Full-length blots for Figure 1E. Western blot showing a dose-dependent stabilization of SARS-CoV-2 Mac1 but not MERS-CoV Mac1 at different temperatures using anti-HiBiT antibody.

Figure S2

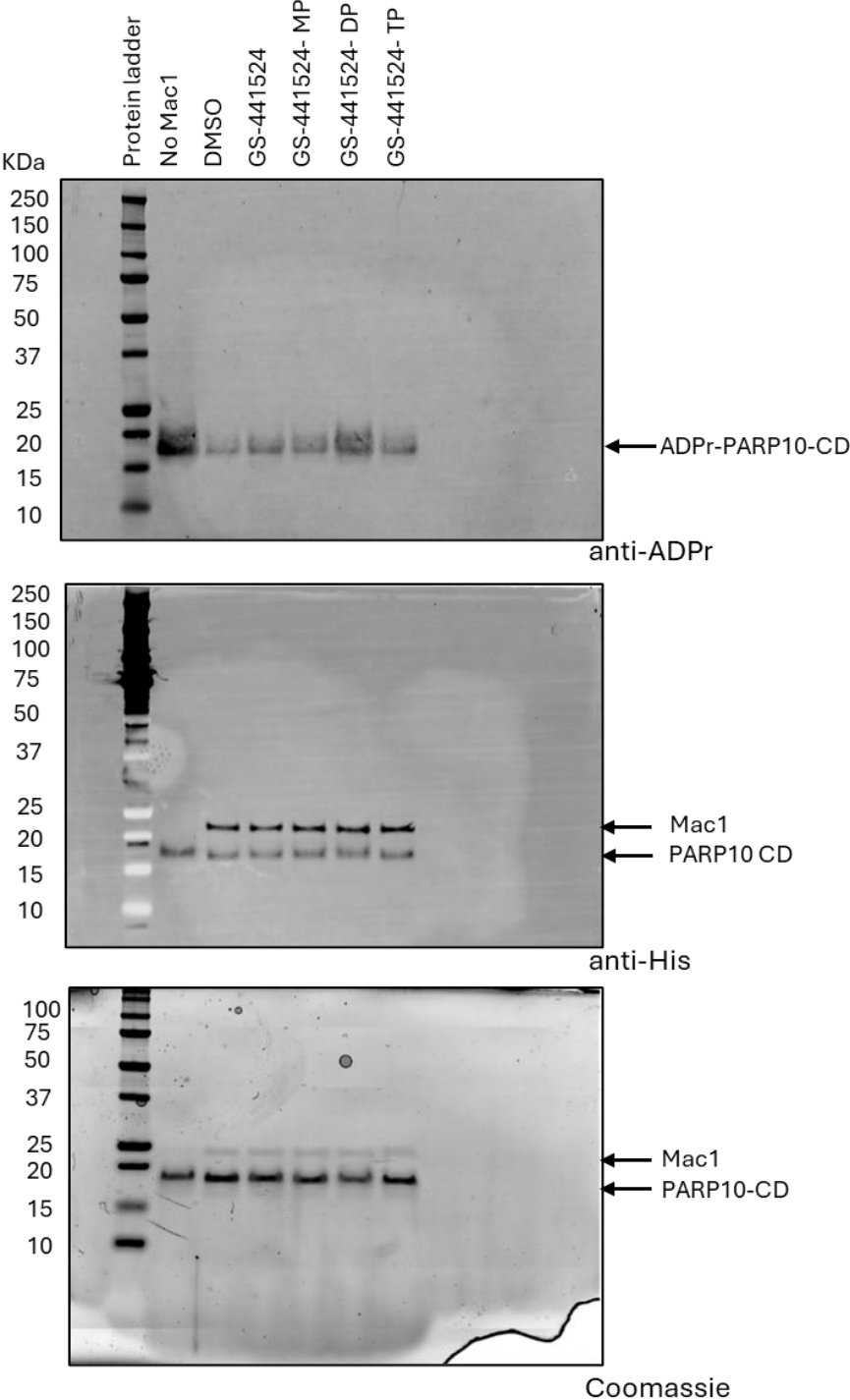
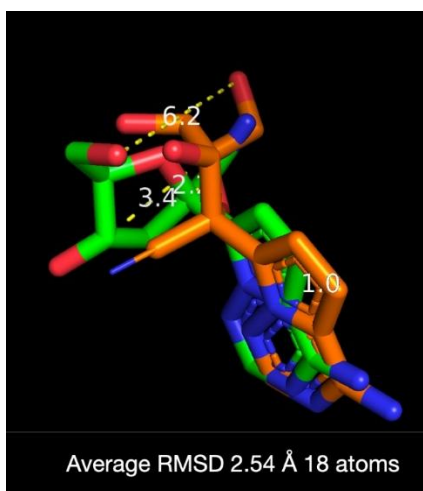


Figure S2: Full-length Gels and blots for Figure 2D. Western blot showing inhibition of Mac1, indicated by increased ADP-ribosylated substrate signal upon treatment with GS-441524 or its phosphorylated derivatives compared with DMSO control. His-tagged PARP-10 ADP-ribosylated substrate and the His-tagged Mac1 used in the reaction are probed using anti-His antibody and monitored using Coomassie stain to show equal input amounts across different treatments.

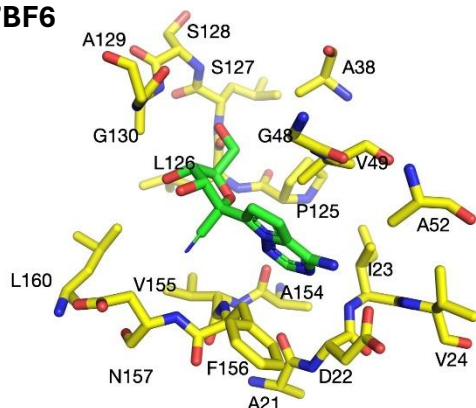
Figure S3

A



B

7BF6



Docked

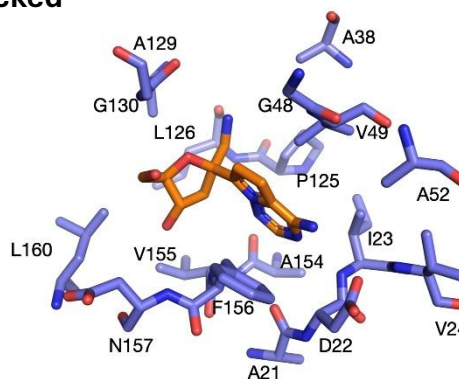


Figure S3: A. Comparison of docked GS-441524 with its crystal structure (PDB: 7BF6), demonstrating excellent agreement between the predicted and observed structures bound to SARS-CoV-2 Mac1. B. Comparison of network interactions of GS-441524 with the SARS-CoV-2 Mac1 in the crystal structure vs the docked pose. Residues within 5 Å of either the

docked ligand or the ligand in the crystal structure (7BF6) are shown. In the predicted structure, the ribose adopts a flipped conformation, positioning S128 and S127 approximately 6 Å away; consequently, these residues are not observed in the docked pose.