

## Supplementary Information

### Synthesis, Radical Scavenging Activity and Structure-Activity Relationship of Uric Acid Analogs.

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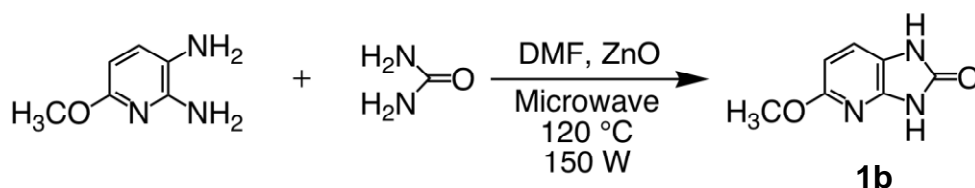
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#### 1. Preparation of Uric acid analogs

##### 1.1. General

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra (500 MHz) were measured on a JEOL JNM-A500 FT-NMR spectrometer with tetramethylsilane as an internal standard ( $\delta = 0.00$ ) in CD<sub>3</sub>OD or DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra (125 MHz) were obtained on the same spectrometer and the chemical shifts were referenced to the signals of CD<sub>3</sub>OD ( $\delta = 33.3$ ) or DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> ( $\delta = 39.5$ ). Melting points were determined using a Yanagimoto MP-J3 micro-melting point apparatus and uncorrected. Column chromatography was performed using Merck Silica gel 60. 6-Hydroxy-2-benzoxazolinone **4**, 5-indanol **7** were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich Chemical Co., 5-hydroxyoxindole **3a** was purchased from Apin Chemical Co. 5-hydroxyindole **5**, 6-hydroxyindole **6**, Benzimidazole **8** and 2-indanone **9** were purchased from Kanto Chemical Co., 1,1-diphenyl-2-picrylhydrazyl, hydroquinone, *p*-aminophenol and uric acid were purchased from Tokyo Kasei Kogyo Co. The regioisomers of **2a** and **3a** were synthesized according to the method reported by R. J. S. Beer *et al* (*J. chem. Soc.*, **1948**, 1605-1609) with some suitable modification.

##### 1-2 Preparation of 1,3-dihydro-7-methoxy-2H-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine-2-one (**1b**)



To solution of urea (0.45 g, 7.5 mmol) and *o*-6-methoxy-2,3-pyridinediamine (1.59 g, 7.5 mmol) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (12 mL) was added ZnO (442.5 mg, 5.44 mmol) and reacted for 5 hr under microwave irradiation condition (120°C, 150 W). Whole the reaction mixture was diluted with H<sub>2</sub>O, extracted with ethyl acetate twice. The organic layer was washed with sat. NaCl solution, dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was recrystallized from CHCl<sub>3</sub>: MeOH to brown crystal (459.5 mg, 37 %).

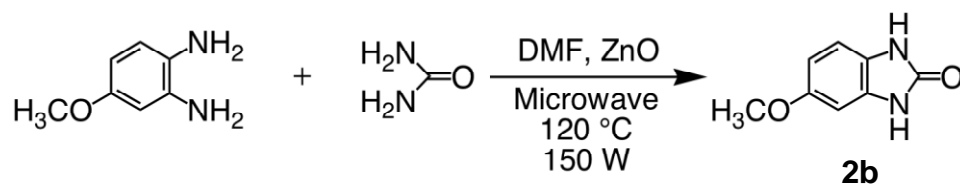
**<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 500 MHz)** δ 3.78 (*s*, 3H, -OCH<sub>3</sub>), 6.36 (*d*, 1H, *J* = 8.50 Hz, 8-H), 7.21 (*d*, 1H, *J* = 8.00 Hz, 9-H), 10.54 (*brs*, 1H, -NH-), 11.20 (*brs*, 1H, -NH-).

**<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 125 MHz)** δ 53 (-OCH<sub>3</sub>), 101 (8C), 117 (4C), 119 (9C), 142 (5C), 154 (7C), 159 (2C).

**FAB-MS:** *m/z*=166 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> (84 %), 165 [M]<sup>+</sup> (64 %), 138 (40 %), 137 (77 %), 136 (100 %), 107 (29 %), 89 (24 %), 77 (21 %).

**FAB-HRMS:** calcd. for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>8</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 166.0617, found 166.0633.

### 1-3. Preparation of 5-methoxy-2-benzimidazolinone **2b**



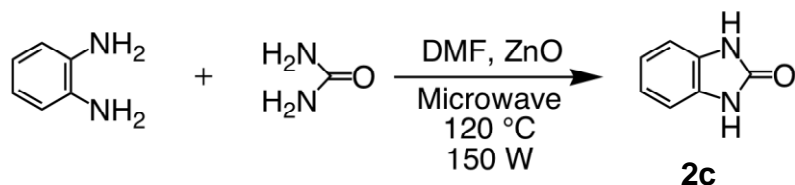
To solution of urea (0.55 g, 9.19 mmol) and 4-methoxy-1,2-phenylenediamine (1.94 g, 9.19 mmol) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (20 mL) was added ZnO (540.0 mg, 6.63 mmol) and reacted for 10 hr under microwave irradiation condition (120°C, 150 W). Whole the reaction mixture was diluted with H<sub>2</sub>O, extracted with ethyl acetate twice. The organic layer was washed with sat. NaCl solution, dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was recrystallized from CHCl<sub>3</sub>: MeOH to give yellow crystal (560 mg, 37 %).

**<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>OD, 500 MHz)** δ 3.69 (*s*, 3H, -OCH<sub>3</sub>), 6.55 (*dd*, 1H, *J* = 8.50 Hz, 2.14 Hz, 6-H), 6.59 (*d*, 1H, *J* = 2.14 Hz, 4-H), 6.85 (*d*, 1H, *J* = 8.54 Hz, 7-H).

**<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>OD, 125 MHz)** δ 56 (-OCH<sub>3</sub>), 108 (4C), 110 (6C), 124 (7C), 131 (9C), 157 (5C), 158

(2C).

#### 1-4. Preparation of 2-benzimidazolinone **2c**

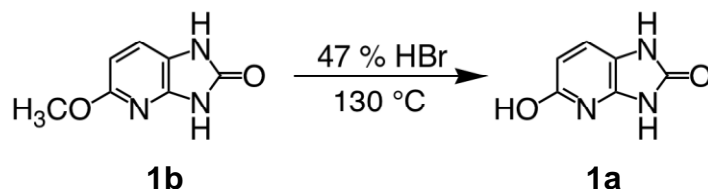


To solution of urea (0.20 g, 3.33 mmol) and *o*-phenylenediamine (0.36 g, 3.33 mmol) in *N,N*-dimethylformamide (8 mL) was added ZnO (196.7 mg, 2.42 mmol) and reacted for 6 hr under microwave irradiation condition (120°C, 150 W). Whole the reaction mixture was diluted with H<sub>2</sub>O, extracted with ethyl acetate twice. The organic layer was washed with sat. NaCl solution, dried over anhydrous MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was recrystallized from CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>: MeOH to give black crystal (37.3 mg, 8 %).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>OD, 600 MHz) δ 7.01 (s, 4H, 4,5,6,7-H).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>OD, 125 MHz) δ 110 (5C, 6C), 122 (4C, 7C), 130 (8C, 9C), 158 (2C).

#### 1-5 Preparation of 1,3-dihydro-7-hydroxy-2H-imidazo[4,5-b]pyridine-2-one (**1a**)



**1b** (100.0 mg, 0.61 mmol) was dissolved in 47 % aqueous HBr (1.0 mL) and stirred at 130 °C for 3 hr. After excess HBr and H<sub>2</sub>O were removed by evaporation, the crude product (101.2 mg) was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>) to give white solid (10.0 mg, 11%).

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 500MHz) δ 6.17 (*d*, 1H, *J* = 8.30 Hz, 7-H), 7.11 (*d*, 1H, *J* = 8.06 Hz, 8-H), 10.04 (*brs*, 1H, -OH), 10.40 (*s*, 1H, -NH-), 11.02 (*s*, 1H, -NH-).

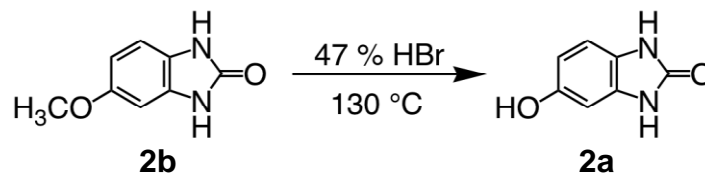
<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 125 MHz) δ 100 (8C), 116 (4C), 118 (9C), 142 (5C), 154 (7C), 158 (2C).

**FAB-MS**: *m/z*=152 [M+H]<sup>+</sup> (39 %), 151 [M]<sup>+</sup> (19 %), 138 (39 %), 137 (76 %), 136 (100 %), 107 (28 %), 89 (25 %), 77 (21 %).

**FAB-HRMS**: calcd. for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 152.0460, found 152.0472.

Mp. : over 300 °C (decomp.)

1-6. Preparation of 5-hydroxy-2-benzimidazolinone **2a**



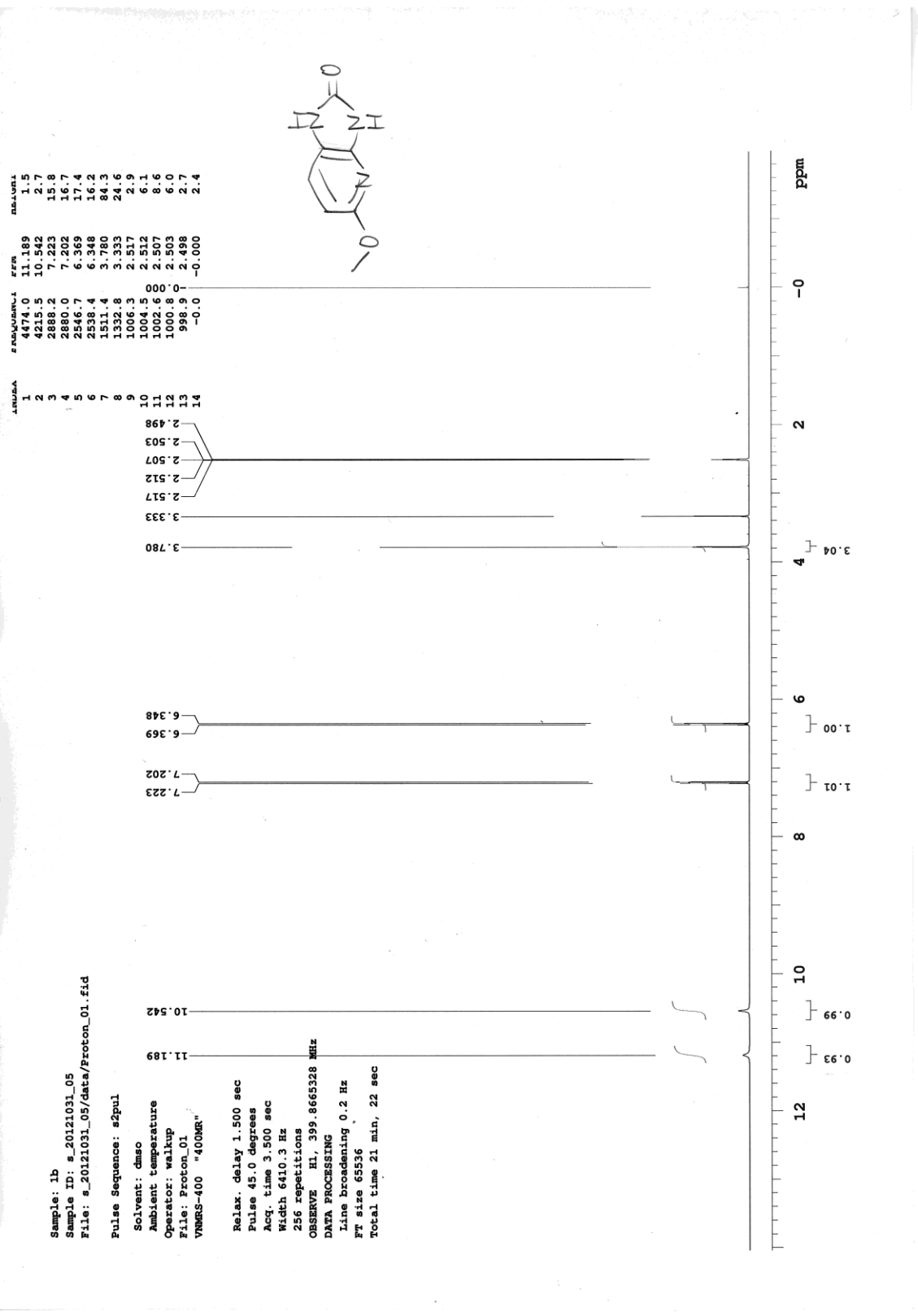
**2b** (80.6 mg, 0.49 mmol) was dissolved in 47 % aqueous HBr (1.0 mL) and stirred at 130 °C for 3 hr. After excess HBr and H<sub>2</sub>O were removed by evaporation, the crude product (81.5 mg) was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>) to give white solid (65.6 mg, 89 %).

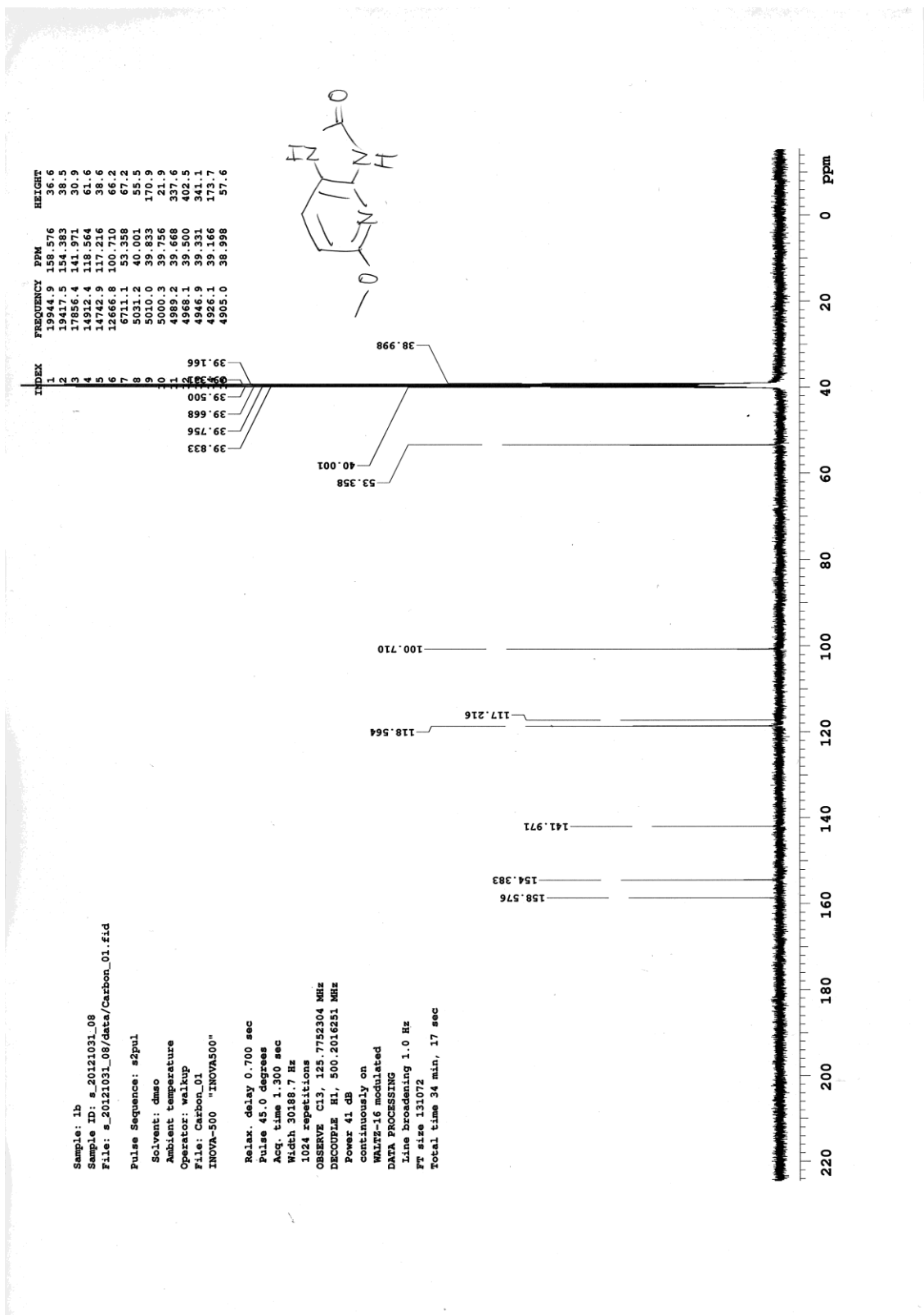
<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>OD, 500 MHz) δ 6.49 (*dd*, 1H, *J* = 8.50 Hz, 2.14 Hz, 6-H), 6.53 (*d*, 1H, *J* = 1.83, 4-H), 6.83 (*d*, 1H, *J* = 8.28 Hz, 7-H).

<sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>OD, 125 MHz) δ 98 (4C), 109 (6C), 110 (1C), 123 (7C), 131 (3C), 153 (5C), 158 (2C).

M. p. : over 300 °C (decomp.)

2. Scanned copies of the <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra



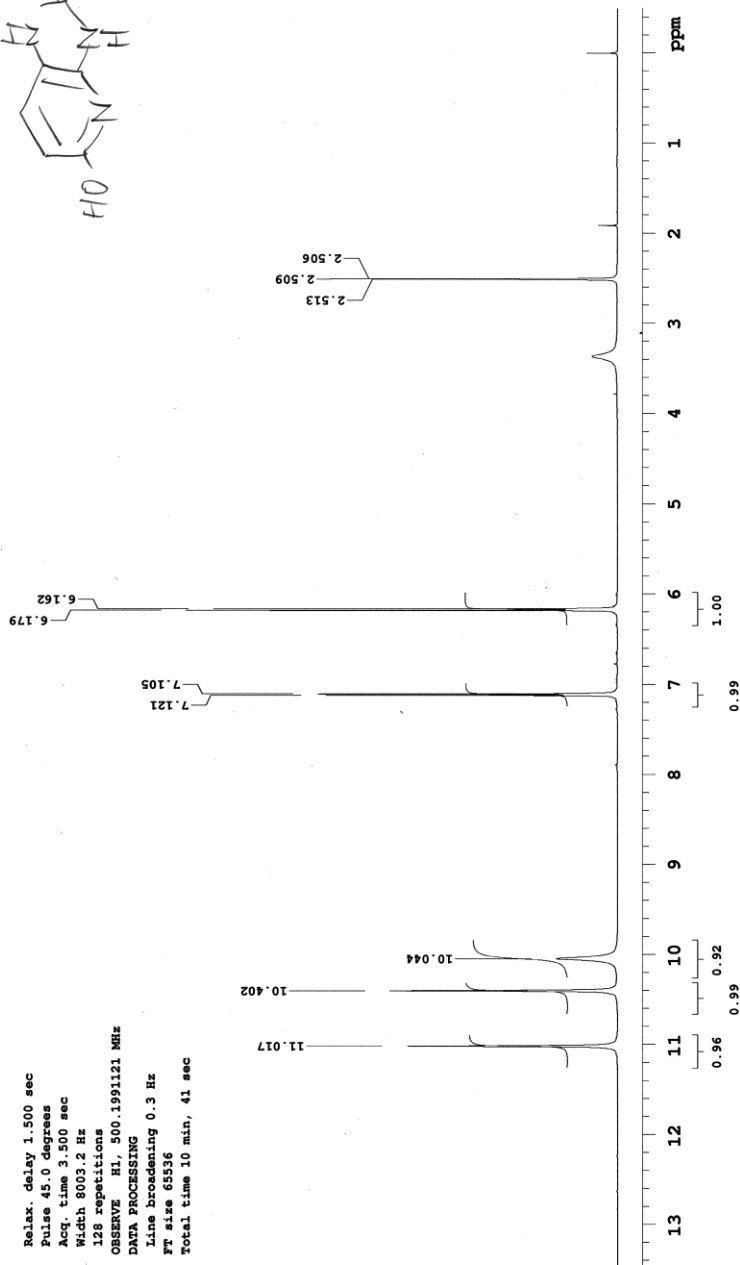


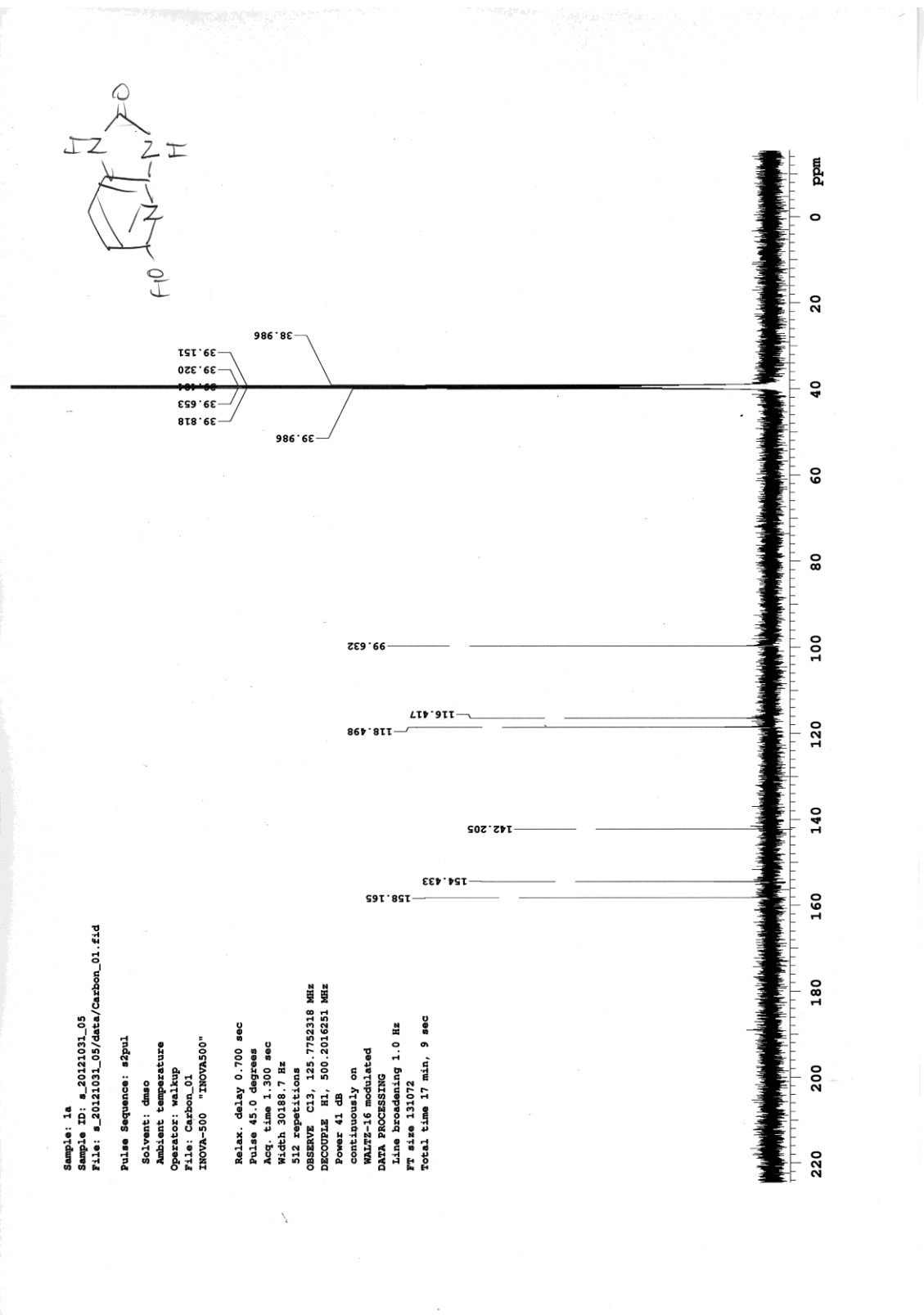
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### 3. DPPH radical scavenging activity

The measurement procedure is a modification of the method of Yamaji *et al* (Yamaji, K.; Sarker, K. P.; Maruyama, I.; Hizukuri, S. *Planta Med.*, **2002**, *60*, 16). Sample (500  $\mu\text{M}$ ) and DPPH (50  $\mu\text{M}$ ) was mixed in a solution of MES buffer (pH 7.4) and ethanol (3:2) at 25 °C. The decrease in absorbance at 517 nm was recorded on a stopped-flow Rapid-Scan Spectrophotometer RSP-1000 (UNISOKU Co., Ltd.) for 60 sec. The second-order rate constant was calculated based on a decreasing curve fitting method (UNISOKU Spectroscopy & Kinetics, NISOKU Co., Ltd.).

### 4. Prediction of pKa values

Apparent pKa values of all UA analogs were theoretically calculated by using ACD/pKa DB (version 9.0) software.

### 4. Determination of cytotoxicity.

HL-60 cells ( $5 \times 10^5$  cells/mL) were plated onto a six-well multi-plate and incubated with the test compound in DMSO (0.5-100  $\mu\text{M}$ ) at 37 °C for 24 h under a 5% CO<sub>2</sub> atmosphere. Only the cells treated with DMSO were used as a non-treated control. The concentration of DMSO was set at 1 v/v %. The incubation mixture was centrifuged at 1,000 rpm for 5 min, and the pellet was suspended in 2 mL of PBS(-). The cells were stained with trypan blue, and the viable cells were counted by a Vi-CELL™ cell viability analyzer (Beckman Coulter Inc.). Cell viability was calculated by the following equation. Cell Viability (%) = (treated viable cells)/(non-treated control viable cells) x 100.