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# High-yielding syntheses of hydrophilic, conjugatable chlorins and bacteriochlorins

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### **1. General procedure for the hydrolysis of side product in the synthesis of 3.**

All side products from the synthesis of **3** (~ 5 g) were combined and suspended in ethanol (100 mL). To this was added aq KOH (5 M, 200 mL), and the suspension was refluxed for 18 h, at which point the solution was allowed to cool to RT and was filtered to remove the hydrolyzed product. The porphyrin **1**, was purified as described previously.<sup>1</sup>

## 2. NMR spectra and HPLC traces



























