

SUPPORTING INFORMATION FOR:

Design, Synthesis and Cyclization of 4-Aminobutyric Acid
Derivatives: Potential Candidates as Self-Immolate Spacers

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Synthesis of phenyl ester **6b.** The same procedure described above for the preparation of compound **6a** was followed except that **5** was used as a starting material. The product was purified by column chromatography (9:1 cyclohexane:EtOAc) to provide **6b** (0.128 g, 79%) as a clear, colorless oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3103, 3074, 3045, 3014, 2979, 2937, 2873, 1762, 1697, 1596, 1494, 1477, 1396, 1366. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): δ 7.42 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 7.12 – 7.07 (m, 1H), 3.35 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.89 (s, 3H), 2.58 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.97 (quint, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.48 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): δ 171.6, 155.7, 150.6, 129.3, 125.7, 121.4, 79.4, 48.0 & 47.4 (rotamers), 34.1, 31.3, 28.4, 23.0 & 22.8 (rotamers). HRMS: calc'd [M+H] $^+$ ($\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_4$): 294.1705. Found: (EI) 294.1711.

Synthesis of α -benzyl *tert*-butyl ester **8c.** The same procedure described above for the preparation of compound **8a** was followed except that benzyl bromide was used as the alkyl halide and only 1.2 equiv. of LHMDS was used. The product was purified by column chromatography (99:1 cyclohexane:EtOAc → 19:1 cyclohexane:EtOAc) to provide **8c** (0.188 g, 70%) as a thick, colorless oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3090, 3066, 3031, 3006, 2978, 2932, 2892, 1727, 1699, 1483, 1456, 1394, 1367. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): δ 7.32 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 3.43 – 3.08 (m, 2H), 2.99 – 2.67 (m, 2H), 2.81 (s, 3H), 1.93 – 1.79 (m, 1H), 1.73 – 1.60 (m, 1H), 1.54 – 1.38 (m, 9H), 1.38 – 1.28 (m, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): δ 174.2, 155.5, 139.1, 128.9, 128.2, 126.2, 80.3, 79.2, 47.2, 45.6, 38.5, 34.1, 29.9, 28.3, 27.9. HRMS: calc'd [M] $^+$ ($\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{33}\text{NO}_4$): 363.2410. Found: (EI) 363.1924.

Synthesis of acid **9b.** The same procedure described above for the preparation of compound **9a** was followed except that **8b** was used as a starting material. The product was purified by column

chromatography (5:1 cyclohexane:EtOAc) to provide **9b** (0.122 g, 99%) as a thick, colorless oil.
 $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3450, 2980, 2941, 1700, 1670, 1489, 1457, 1401, 1368. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): δ 10.77 (s, 1H), 5.80 – 5.67 (m, 1H), 5.14 – 5.10 (m, 2H), 3.40 – 3.16 (m, 2H), 2.81 (s, 3H), 2.46 – 2.35 (m, 2H), 2.33 – 2.22 (m, 1H), 1.90 – 1.78 (m, 1H), 1.75 – 1.64 (m, 1H), 1.43 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): δ 180.2, 155.9, 134.7, 117.3, 80.0, 46.9 & 46.5 (rotamers), 42.2, 36.1, 34.1, 29.9, 28.3. HRMS: calc'd [M] $^+$ ($\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_4$): 257.1627. Found: (EI) 257.1634.

Synthesis of acid **9c.** The same procedure described above for the preparation of compound **9a** was followed except that **8c** was used as a starting material. The product was purified by column chromatography (3:1 cyclohexane:EtOAc) to provide **9c** (143 mg, 96%) as a thick, colorless oil.
 $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3092, 3180, 3067, 3032, 2980, 2938, 1735, 1700, 1667, 1488, 1456, 1404, 1368. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): δ 10.90 (s, 1H), 7.34 – 7.15 (m, 5H), 3.45 – 3.19 (m, 2H), 3.14 – 3.00 (m, 1H), 2.84 – 2.73 (m, 1H), 2.77 (s, 3H), 2.73 – 2.64 (m, 1H), 1.94 – 1.82 (m, 1H), 1.78 – 1.67 (m, 1H), 1.54 – 1.34 (m, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): δ 180.2, 156.3, 138.6, 128.8, 128.4, 126.5, 80.5, 47.1 & 46.6 (rotamers), 44.4, 38.0, 34.1, 29.0, 28.2. HRMS: calc'd [M] $^+$ ($\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_4$): 307.1784. Found: (EI) 307.1783.

Synthesis of phenyl ester **10b.** The same procedure described above for the preparation of compound **10a** was followed except that **9b** was used as a starting material. The product was purified by column chromatography (93:7 cyclohexane:EtOAc) to provide **10b** (0.128 g, 86%) as a colorless oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3080, 3009, 2979, 2936, 2871, 1758, 1698, 1594, 1493, 1457, 1396, 1367. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): δ 7.37 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 5.94 – 5.80 (m, 1H), 5.22 – 5.08 (m, 2H), 3.48 – 3.21 (m, 2H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.75 – 2.65 (m,

1H), 2.60 – 2.39 (m, 2H), 2.04 (sextet, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 1.80 (sextet, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 1.46 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): δ 173.4, 155.6, 150.6, 134.7, 129.3, 125.7, 121.5, 117.5, 79.5, 47.0 & 46.4 (rotamers), 42.5, 36.5, 34.1, 29.4, 28.4. IR (cm^{-1}): HRMS: calc'd [M] $^+$ ($\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{27}\text{NO}_4$): 333.1940. Found: (EI) 333.1932.

Synthesis of phenyl ester **10c.** The same procedure described above for the preparation of compound **10a** was followed except that **9c** was used as a starting material. The product was purified by column chromatography (93:7 cyclohexane:EtOAc) to provide **10c** (0.146 g, 82%) as a colorless oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3091, 3068, 3033, 2993, 2978, 2931, 2867, 1756, 1696, 1594, 1494, 1481, 1396, 1367. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): δ 7.33 – 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.25 – 7.19 (m, 3H), 7.15 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2H), 3.52 – 3.18 (m, 2H), 3.13 – 2.84 (m, 3H), 2.81 (s, 3H), 2.04 (sextet, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 1.89 – 1.73 (m, 1H), 1.52 – 1.35 (m, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): δ 173.5, 155.6, 150.4, 138.5, 129.2, 129.0, 128.4, 126.6, 125.7, 121.4, 79.4, 47.1 & 46.3 (rotamers), 45.0, 38.5, 34.1, 29.8, 28.3. HRMS: calc'd [M+H] $^+$ ($\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{30}\text{NO}_4$): 384.2169. Found: (EI) 384.2167.

Synthesis of α -dibenzyl *tert*-butyl ester **11c.** The same procedure described above for the preparation of compound **11b** was followed except that benzyl bromide was used as the alkyl halide. The product was purified by column chromatography (93:7 cyclohexane:EtOAc) to provide **11c** (0.384 g, 93%) as a thick, colorless oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3088, 3065, 3032, 3006, 2978, 2935, 1698, 1496, 1482, 1455, 1395, 1366. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): δ 7.27 – 7.14 (m, 10H), 3.50 – 3.30 (br m, 2H), 3.02 (d, $J=14.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.83 (d, $J=14.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.66 (s, 3H), 1.78 – 1.65 (br m, 2H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.34 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): δ 174.5, 155.5, 137.3, 130.4, 128.0,

126.4, 81.1, 79.5, 50.2, 44.6 & 43.9 (rotamers), 42.0, 33.6, 31.1 & 30.4 (rotamers), 28.5, 27.9.

HRMS: calc'd [M]⁺ (C₂₈H₃₉NO₄): 453.2879 Found: (EI) 453.2866.

Synthesis of acid 12a. The same procedure described above for the preparation of compound **9a** was followed except that **11a** was used as a starting material. The product was purified by column chromatography (85:15 cyclohexane:EtOAc) to provide **12a** (0.166 g, 97%) as a thick, colorless oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3454, 3200, 2980, 2935, 1700, 1694, 1481, 1405, 1368. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 3.24 (br t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.83 (s, 3H), 1.82 – 1.74 (m, 2H), 1.46 (s, 9H), 1.25 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 182.9, 155.6, 79.4, 45.4 & 44.9 (rotamers), 40.6, 37.7, 34.0, 28.3, 24.9. HRMS: calc'd [M]⁺ (C₁₂H₂₃NO₄): 245.1627. Found: (EI) 245.1618.

Synthesis of acid 12b. The same procedure described above for the preparation of compound **9a** was followed except that **11b** was used as a starting material. The product was purified by column chromatography (5:1 cyclohexane:EtOAc) to provide **12b** (0.092 g, 90%) as a thick, colorless oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3430, 3270, 3080, 3010, 2980, 2935, 1730, 1700, 1488, 1454, 1404, 1368. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 5.84 – 5.70 (m, 2H), 5.19 – 5.11 (m, 4H), 3.25 (br t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.82 (s, 3H), 2.38 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 4H), 1.84 – 1.76 (m, 2H), 1.46 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 181.0, 155.6, 132.6, 118.8, 80.3, 47.6, 38.7, 34.1, 32.1, 28.3. HRMS: calc'd [M]⁺ (C₁₆H₂₇NO₄): 297.1940. Found: (EI) 297.1949.

Synthesis of acid 12c. The same procedure described above for the preparation of compound **9a** was followed except that **11c** was used as a starting material. The product was purified by column chromatography (85:15 cyclohexane:EtOAc) to provide **12c** (0.139 g, 94%) as a sticky

white solid. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3460, 3210, 3090, 3067, 3031, 2979, 2935, 1697, 1665, 1497, 1456, 1404, 1368. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): δ 7.33 – 7.19 (m, 10H), 3.55 – 3.31 (m, 2H), 3.13 (d, J = 13.7 Hz), 2.93 (d, J = 14.0 Hz), 2.69 (s, 3H), 1.80 – 1.70 (m, 2H), 1.47 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): δ 181.2, 155.9, 136.8, 130.2, 128.2, 126.8, 80.1, 50.3, 44.8 & 43.9 (rotamers), 42.1, 43.7, 30.6 & 29.4 (rotamers), 28.5. HRMS: calc'd [M] $^+$ ($\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{31}\text{NO}_4$): 397.2253. Found: (EI) 397.2241.

Synthesis of acid 12d. The same procedure described above for the preparation of compound **9a** was followed except that **11d** was used as a starting material. The product was purified by column chromatography (85:15 cyclohexane:EtOAc) to provide **12d** (0.095 g, 88%) as a thick, colorless oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3470, 2975, 2876, 1698, 1674, 1468, 1454, 1403, 1368. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): δ 3.30 – 3.13 (m, 2H), 2.83 (s, 3H), 2.22 – 2.10 (m, 2H), 1.92 – 1.80 (m, 2H), 1.76 – 1.63 (m, 4H), 1.62 – 1.50 (m, 2H), 1.45 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): δ 182.4, 155.5, 79.3, 51.7, 46.2 & 45.7 (rotamers), 36.4, 36.1, 34.0, 28.3, 24.9. HRMS: calc'd [M] $^+$ ($\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_4$): 271.1784. Found: (EI) 271.1776.

Synthesis of phenyl ester 13b. The same procedure described above for the preparation of compound **13a** was followed except that **12b** was used as a starting material. The product was purified by column chromatography (97:3 cyclohexane:EtOAc) to provide **13b** (0.085 g, 74%) as a colorless oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3080, 2979, 2934, 1752, 1697, 1642, 1594, 1494, 1457, 1396, 1367. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): δ 7.38 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (br d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 5.94 – 5.78 (m, 2H), 5.26 – 5.16 (m, 4H), 3.42 – 3.26 (m, 2H), 2.86 (s, 3H), 2.52 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 4H), 1.98 – 1.87 (m, 2H), 1.47 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): δ 174.0, 155.5, 150.7, 132.8, 129.4,

125.8, 121.6, 119.1, 79.6, 48.0, 44.7 & 44.3 (rotamers), 39.1, 34.1, 32.2 & 31.9 (rotamers), 28.5.

HRMS: calc'd [M]⁺ (C₂₂H₃₁NO₄): 373.2253. Found: (EI) 373.2267.

Synthesis of phenyl ester 13c. The same procedure described above for the preparation of compound **13a** was followed except that **12c** was used as a starting material. The product was purified by column chromatography (97:3 cyclohexane:EtOAc) to provide **13c** (0.092 g, 60%) as a colorless oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3091, 3066, 3032, 2980, 2934, 2874, 1750, 1693, 1594, 1495, 1456, 1398, 1367. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.44 – 7.26 (m, 12H), 7.23 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, J = 7.4 Hz), 3.66 – 3.44 (m, 2H), 3.28 (d, J = 13.7 Hz, 2H), 3.05 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 2H), 2.73 (s, 3H), 2.02 – 1.86 (m, 2H), 1.49 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 173.9, 155.5, 150.5, 136.8, 130.3, 129.3, 128.3, 126.9, 125.8, 121.4, 79.6, 50.8, 44.7 & 43.7 (rotamers), 42.3, 36.7, 30.5 & 29.5 (rotamers), 28.5. HRMS: calc'd [M]⁺ (C₃₀H₃₅NO₄): 473.2566. Found: (EI) 473.2557.

Synthesis of phenyl ester 13d. The same procedure described above for the preparation of compound **13a** was followed except that **12d** was used as a starting material. The product was purified by column chromatography (98:2 cyclohexane:EtOAc → 97:3 cyclohexane:EtOAc) to provide **13d** (0.135 g, 76%) as a colorless oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3103, 3095, 3047, 2974, 2934, 2878, 1750, 1699, 1597, 1494, 1458, 1399, 1367. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ 7.38 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (br d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 3.38 – 3.24 (m, 2H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.38 – 2.26 (m, 2H), 2.00 (br t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 1.83 – 1.60 (m, 6H), 1.46 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ 175.8, 155.5, 150.9, 129.3, 125.6, 121.4, 79.4, 52.3, 46.3 & 45.9 (rotamers), 36.6 & 36.2 (rotamers), 36.4, 34.2, 28.4, 25.0. HRMS: calc'd [M+H]⁺ (C₂₀H₃₀NO₄): 348.2169. Found: (EI) 348.2169.

Synthesis of phenyl ester 17b. The same procedure described above for the preparation of compound **17a** was followed except that **16b** was used as a starting material. The product was purified by column chromatography (93:7 cyclohexane:EtOAc) to provide **17b** (0.096 g, 58%) as a colorless oil. $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3120, 3084, 3024, 3008, 2982, 2938, 2898, 1778, 1747, 1698, 1593, 1493, 1476, 1396, 1369. ^1H NMR (CDCl_3): δ 7.38 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.23 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2H), 5.05 (dd, $J = 4.3$ & 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.64 – 3.48 (m, 1H), 3.43 – 3.29 (m, 1H), 2.89 (s, 3H), 2.38 – 2.13 (m, 2H), 1.51 (s, 9H), 1.46 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3): δ 168.7, 155.6, 152.8, 150.2, 129.5, 126.1, 121.2, 83.3, 79.8, 72.2, 45.0, 34.5, 29.7, 28.4, 27.7. HRMS: calc'd [M+H] $^+$ ($\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{31}\text{NO}_7$): 410.2173. Found: (EI) 410.2173.

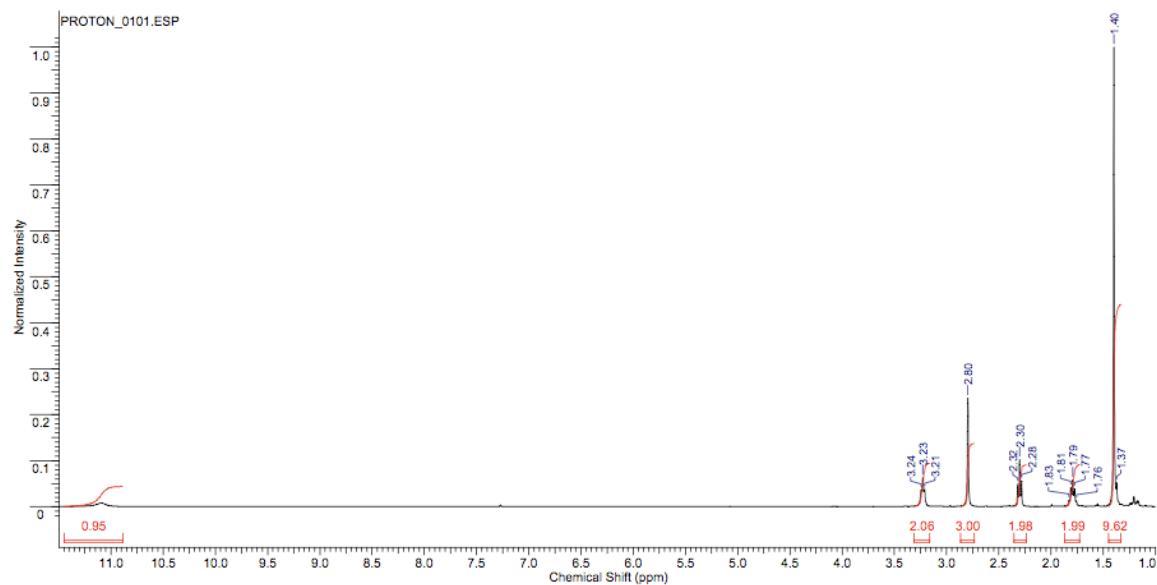


Figure S1. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound **5** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

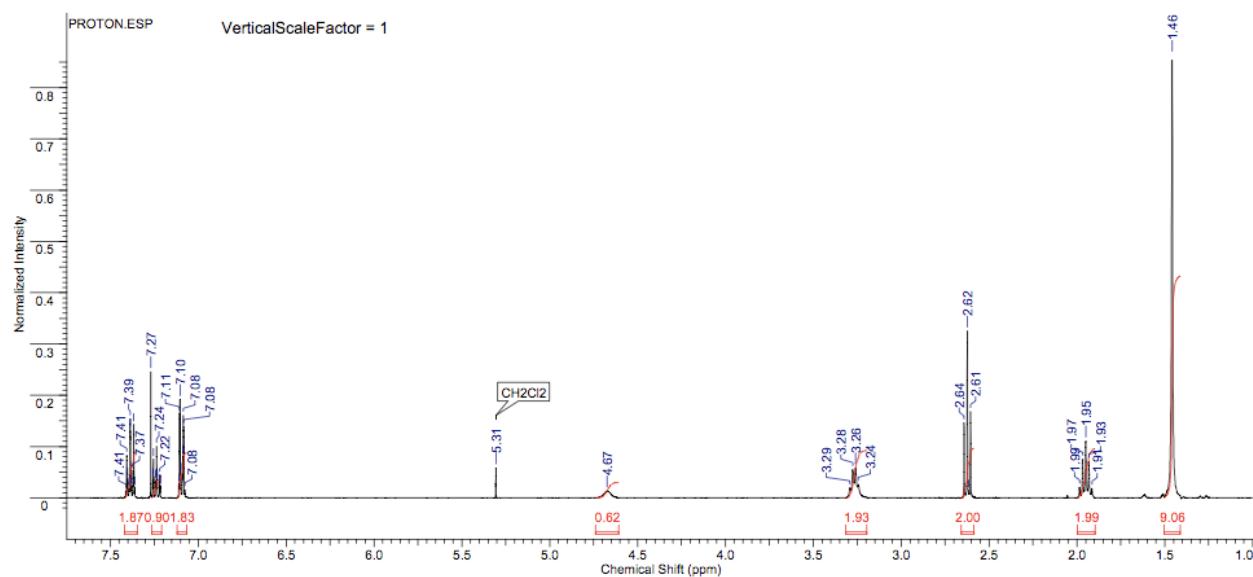


Figure S2. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound **6a** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

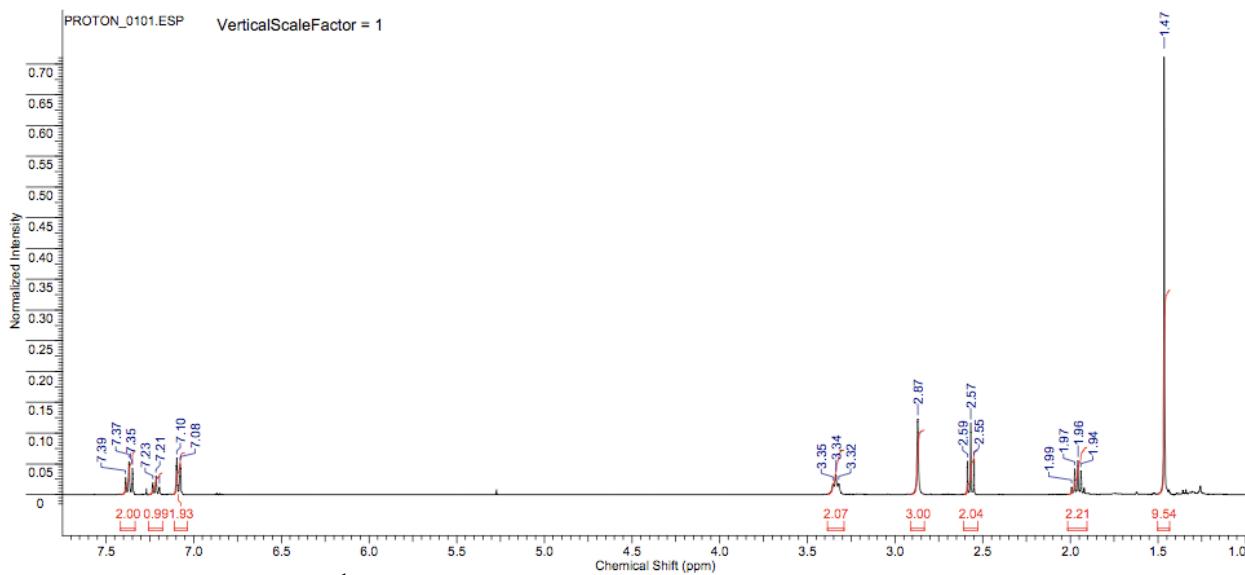


Figure S3. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound **6b** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

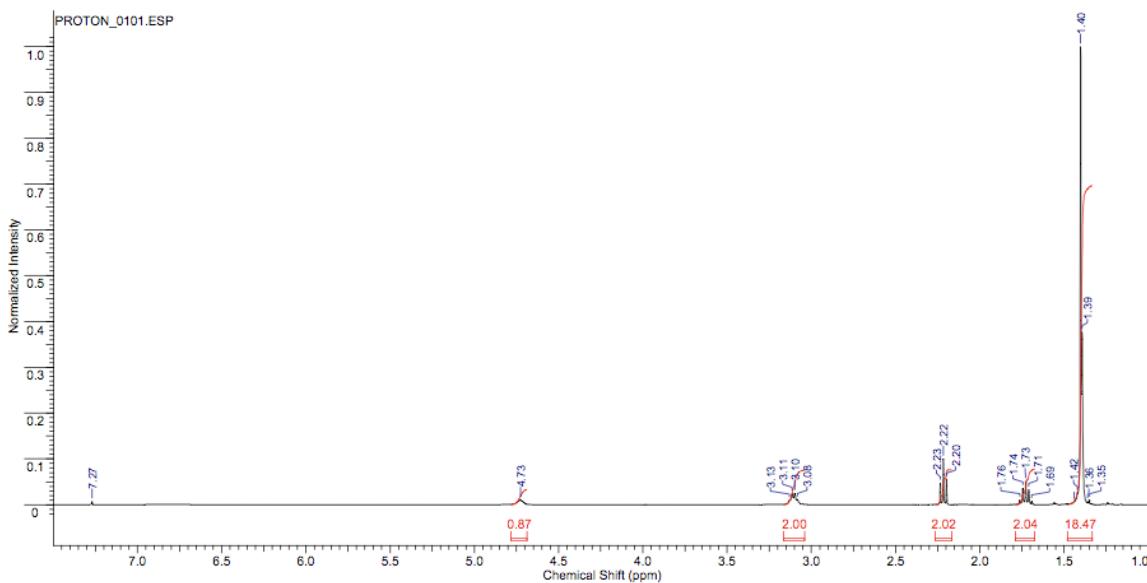


Figure S4. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound **7a** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

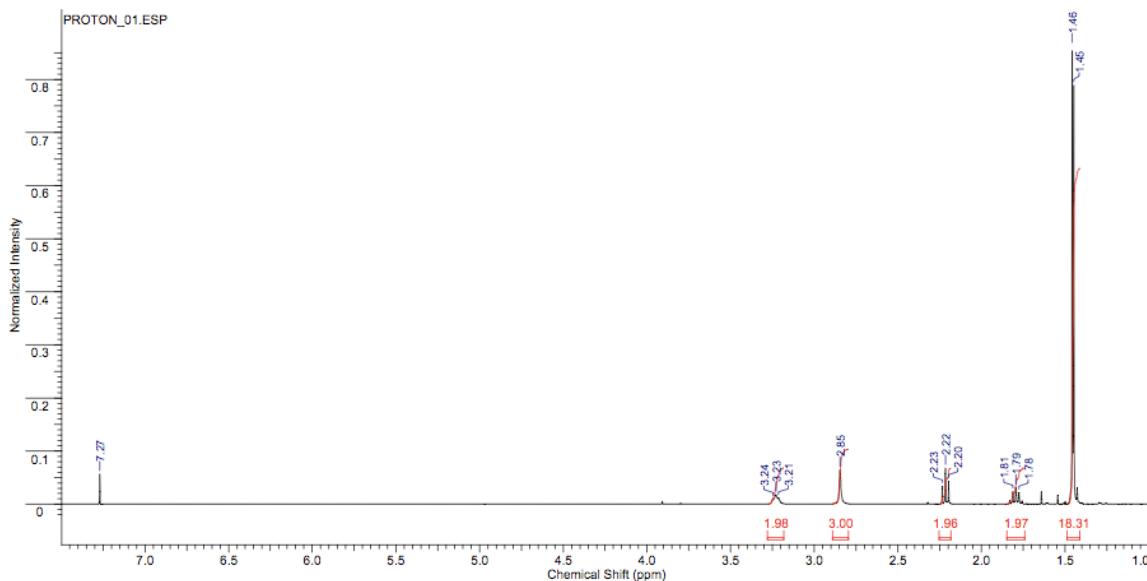


Figure S5. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound 7b (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

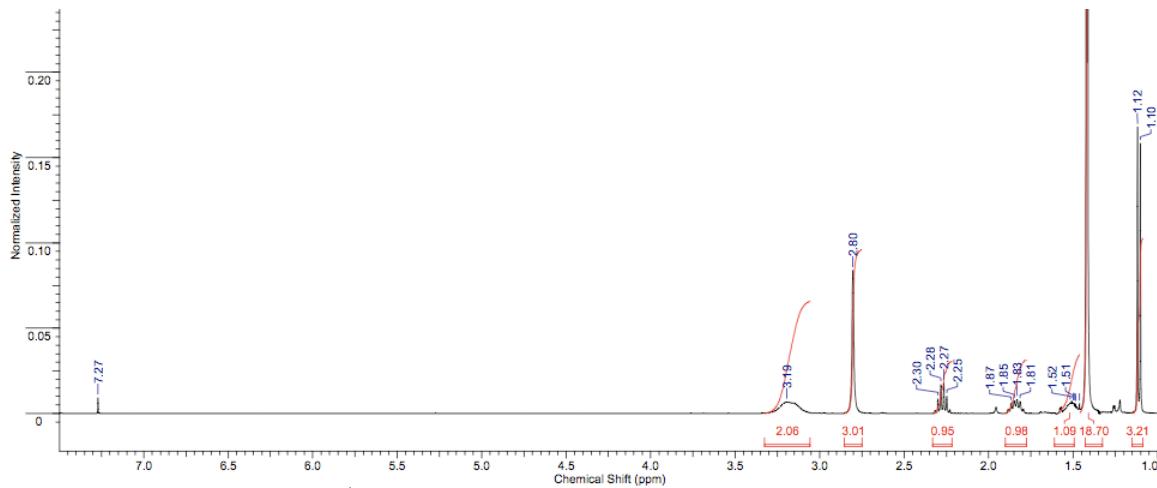


Figure S6. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound 8a (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

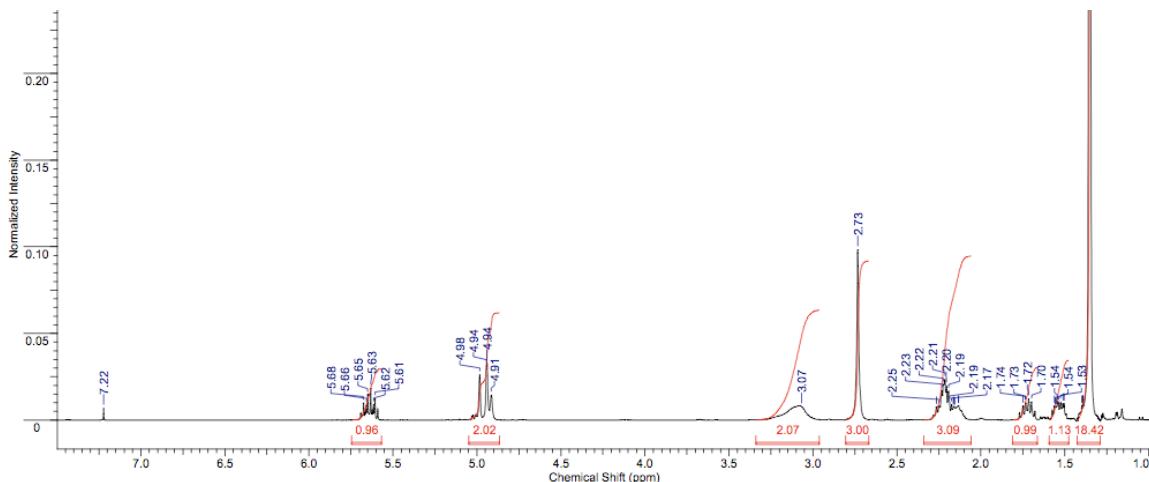


Figure S7. ^1H NMR Spectrum of Compound **8b** (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

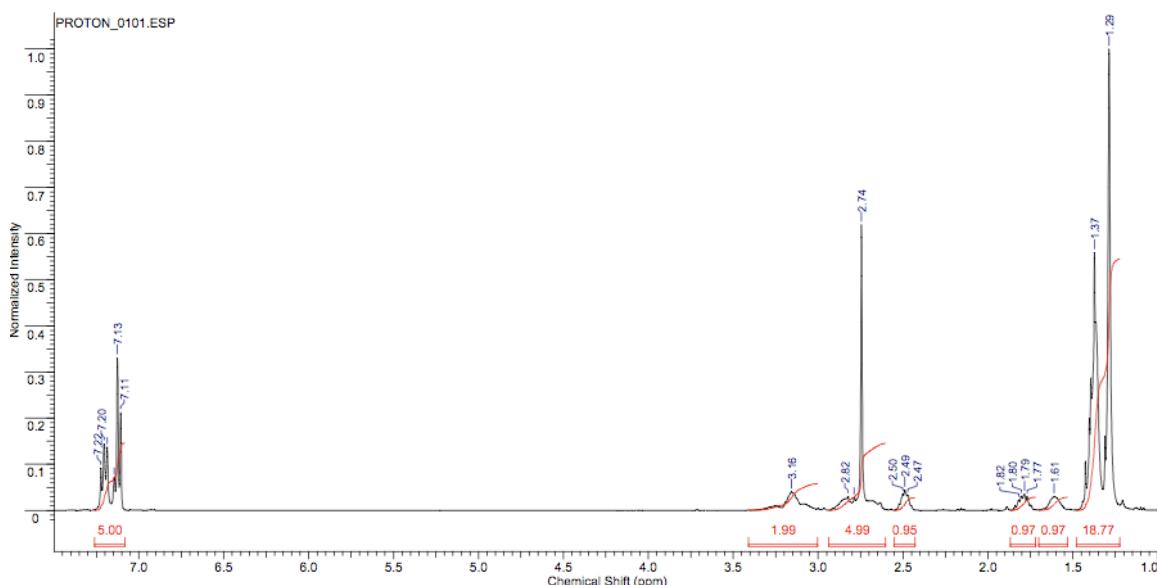


Figure S8. ^1H NMR Spectrum of Compound **8c** (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

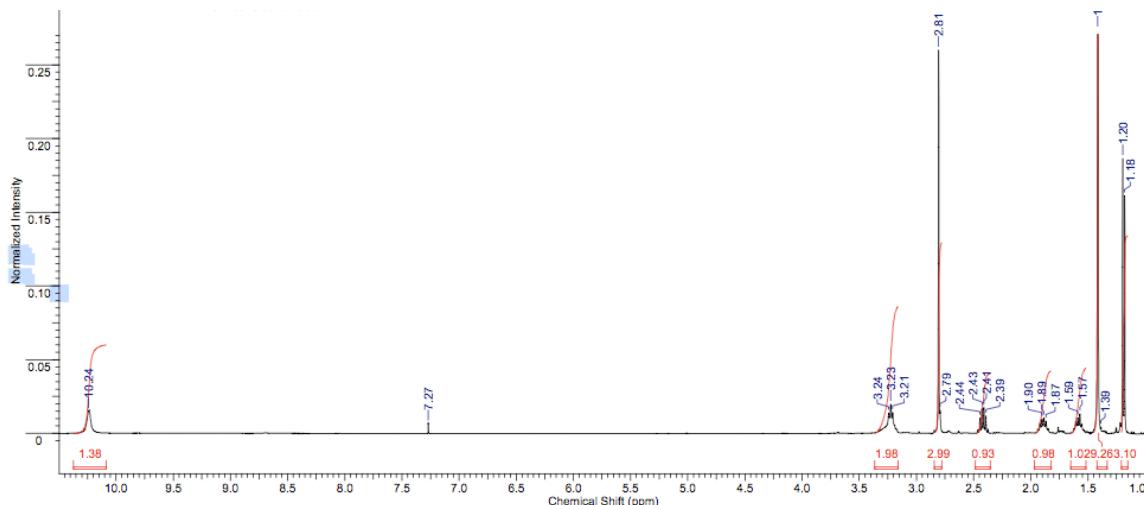


Figure S9. ^1H NMR Spectrum of Compound **9a** (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

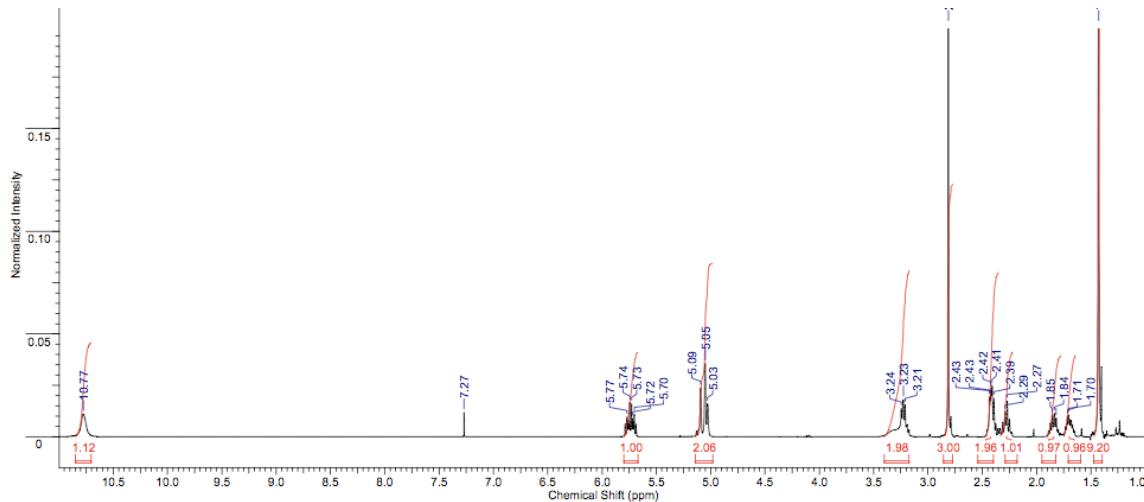


Figure S10. ^1H NMR Spectrum of Compound **9b** (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

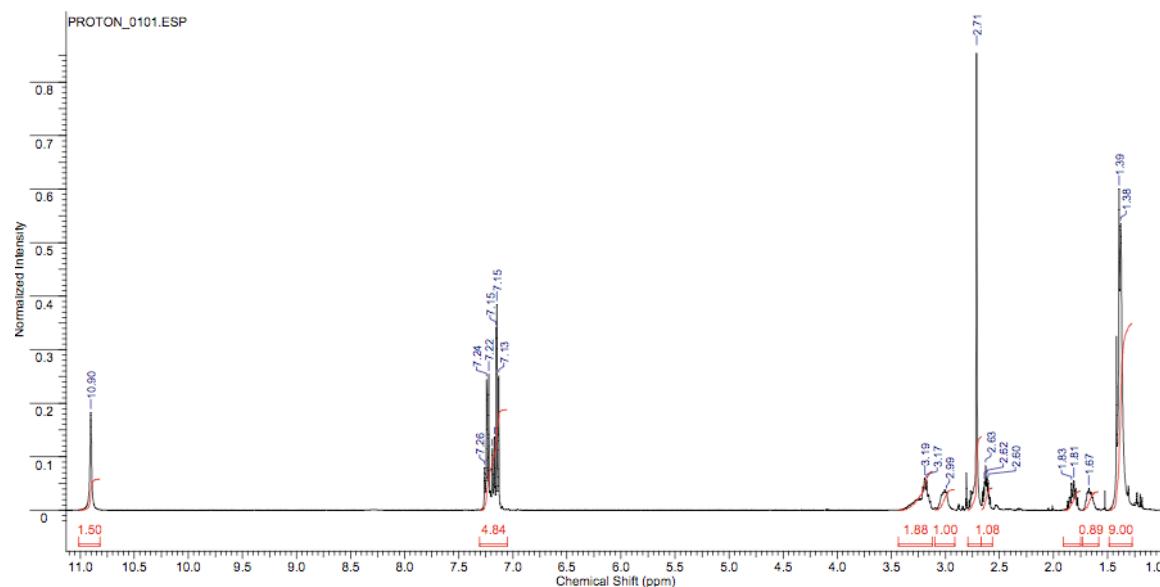


Figure S11. ^1H NMR Spectrum of Compound 9c (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

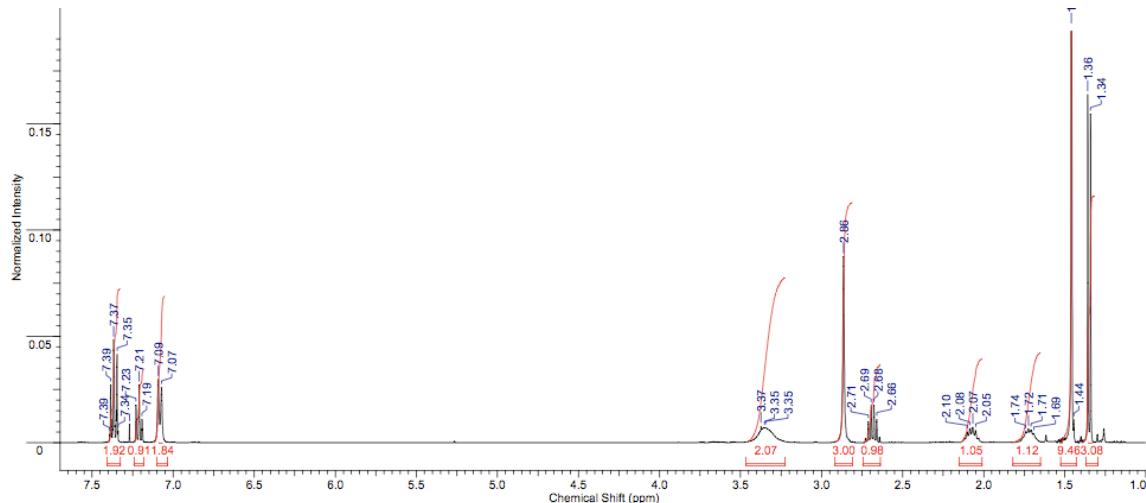


Figure S12. ^1H NMR Spectrum of Compound 10a (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

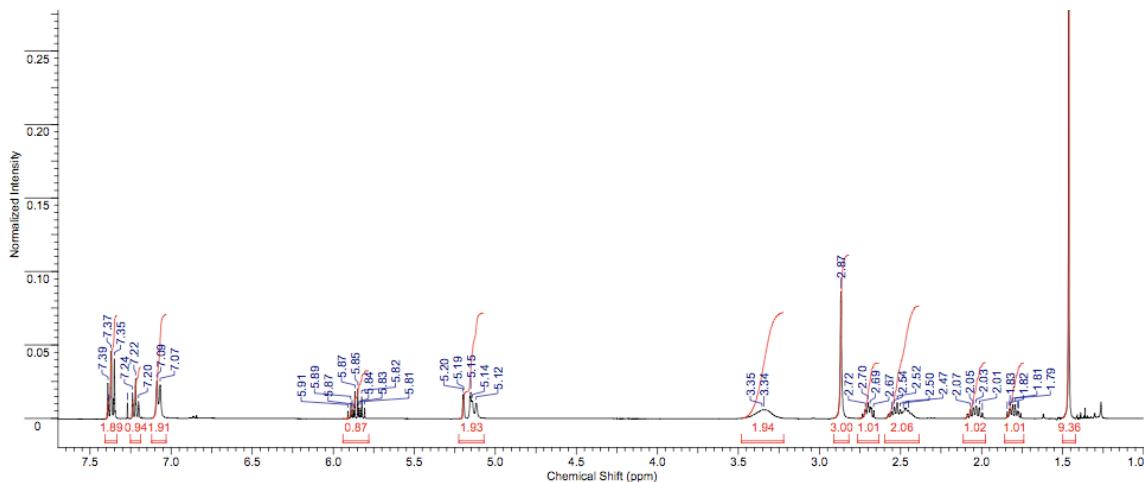


Figure S13. ^1H NMR Spectrum of Compound **10b** (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

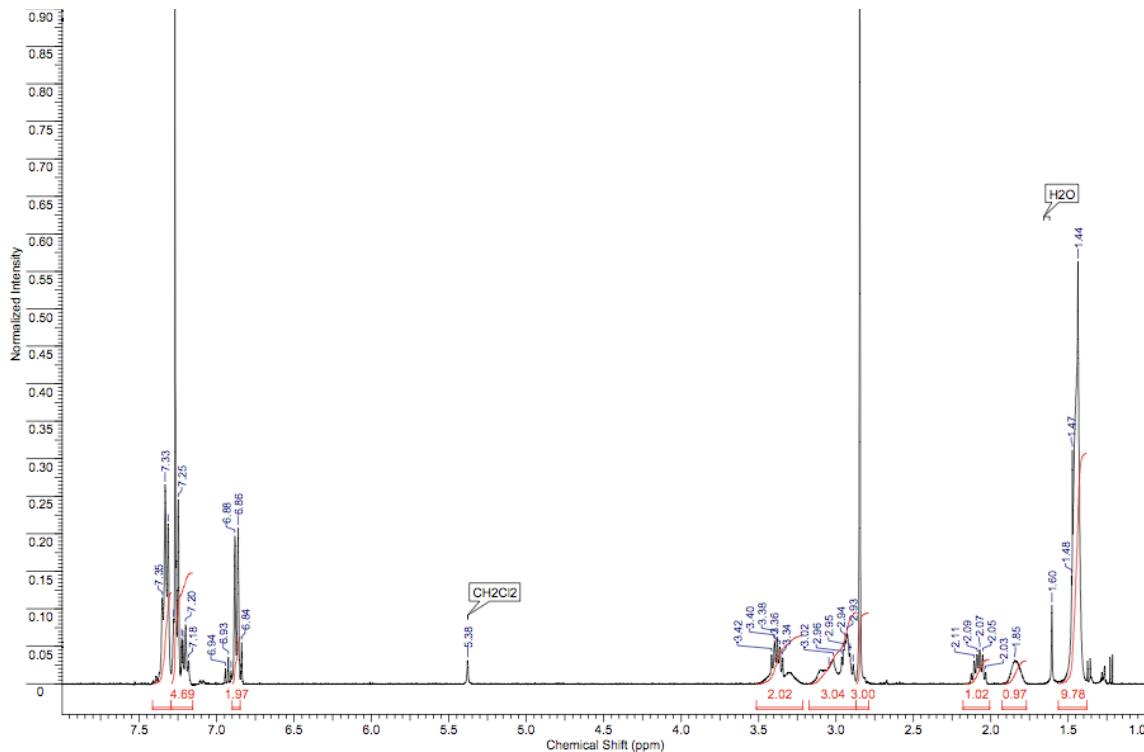


Figure S14. ^1H NMR Spectrum of Compound **10c** (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

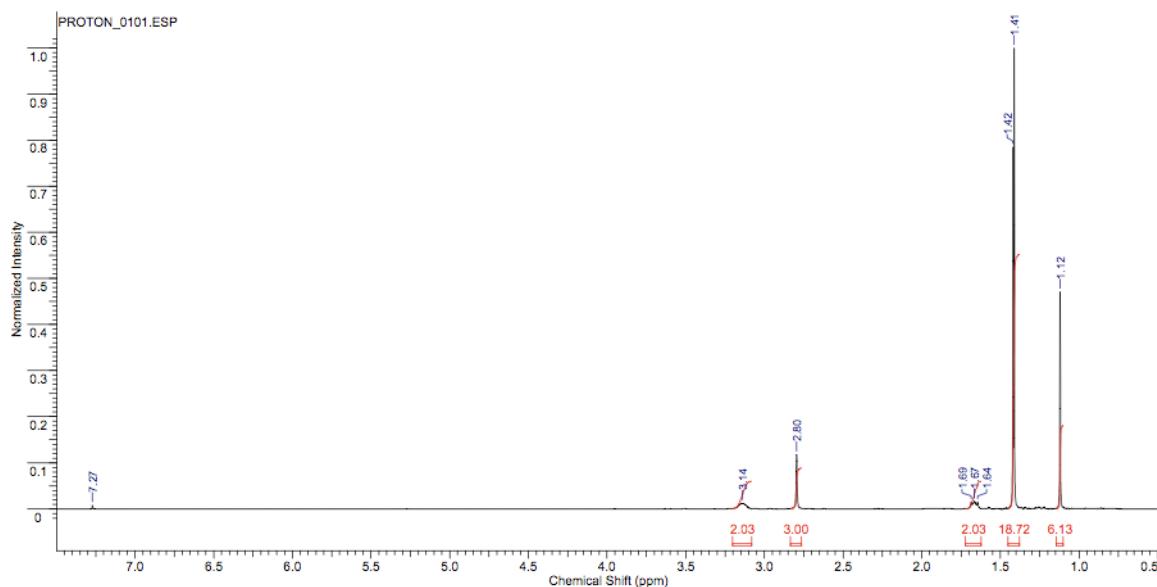


Figure S15. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound 11a (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

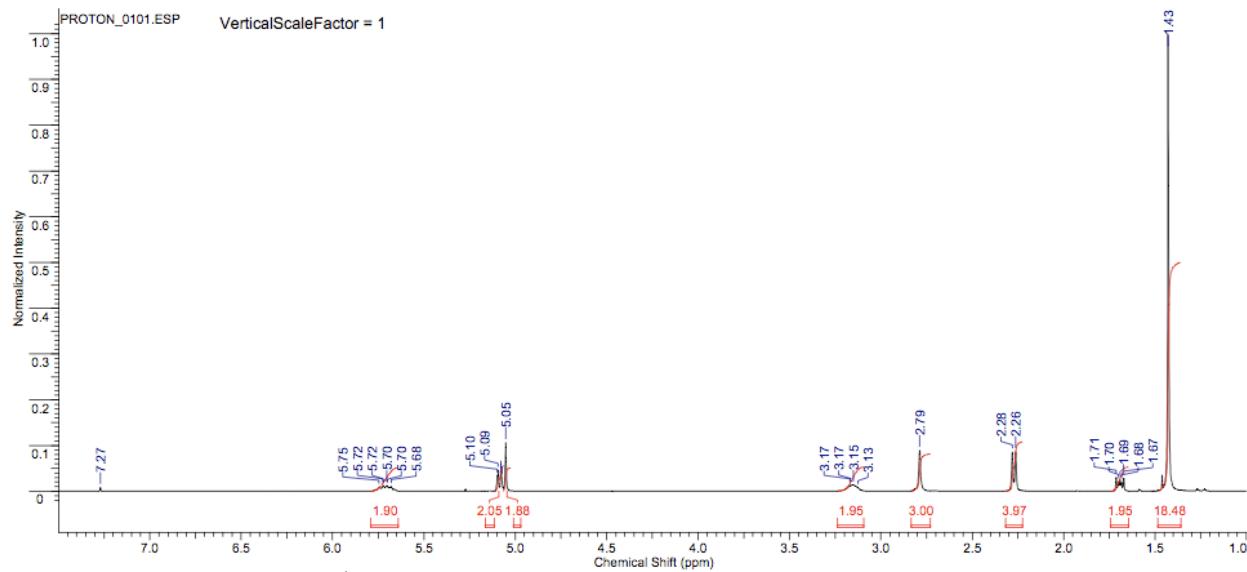


Figure S16. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound 11b (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

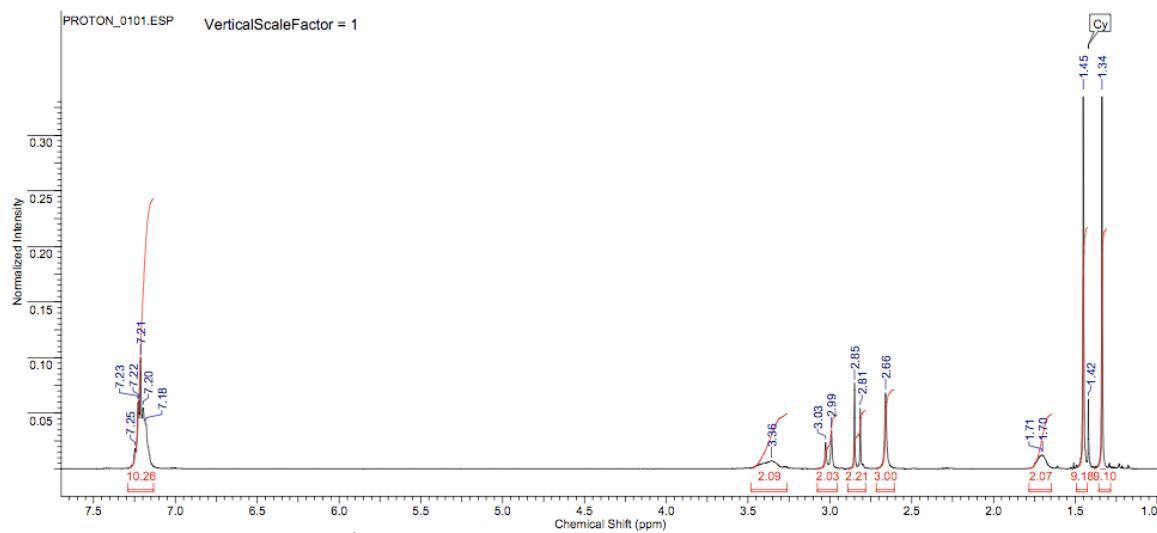


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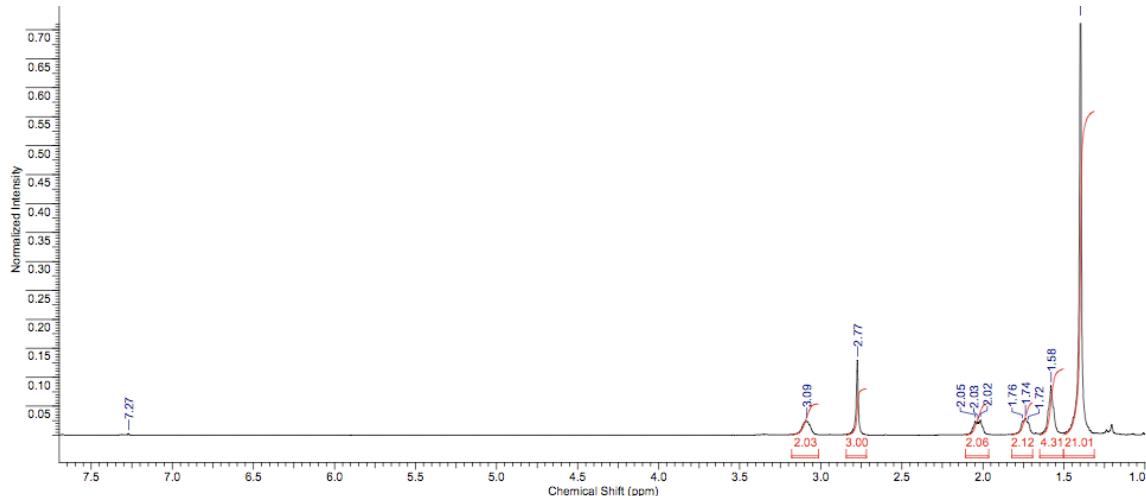


Figure S18. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound 11d (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

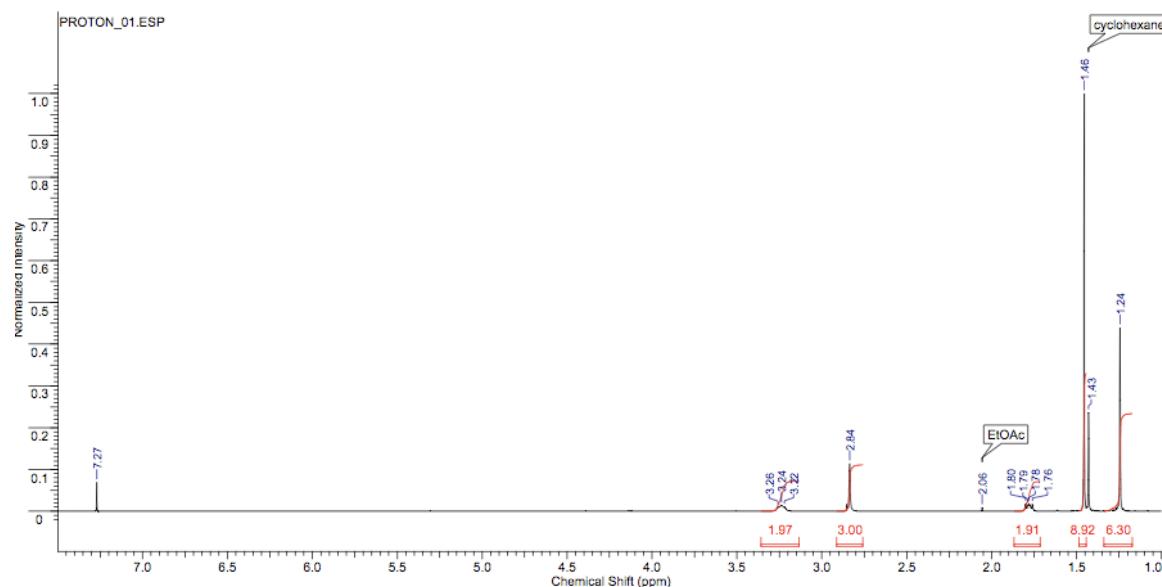


Figure S19. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound 12a (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

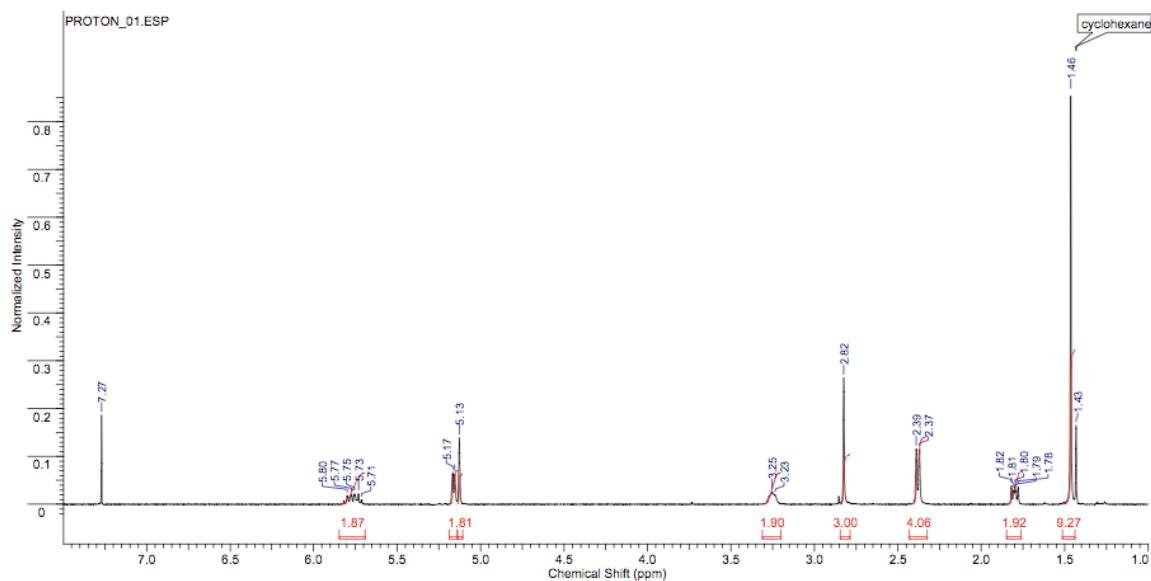


Figure S20. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound 12b (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

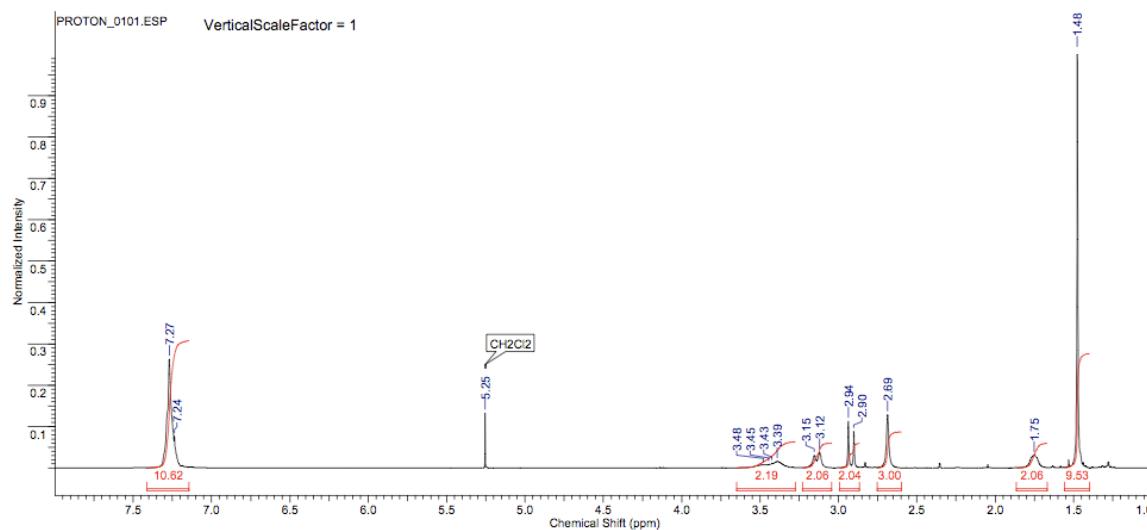


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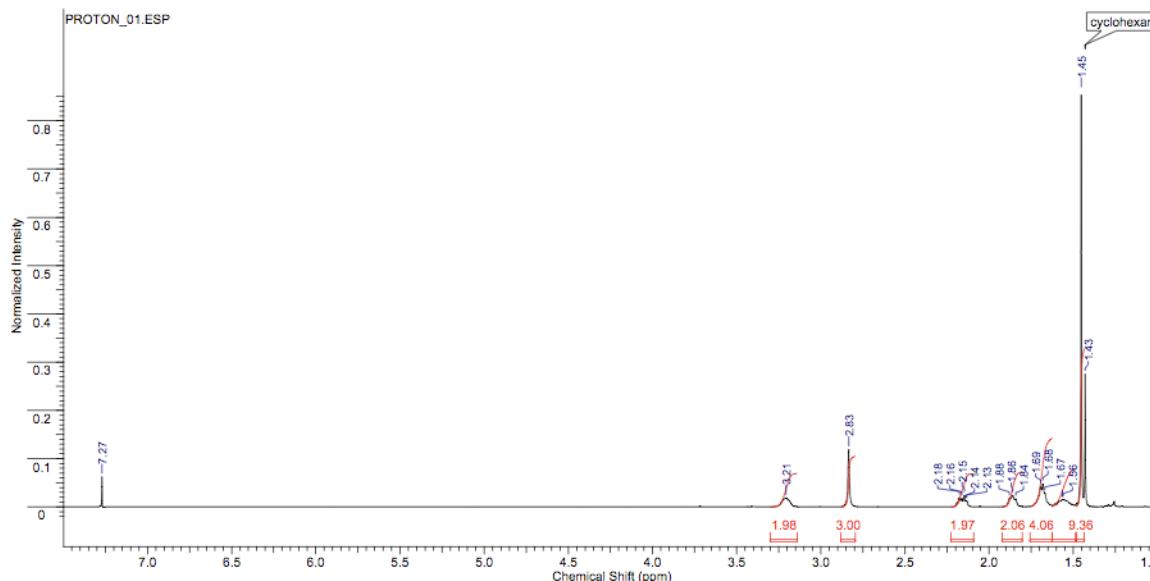


Figure S22. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound **12d** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

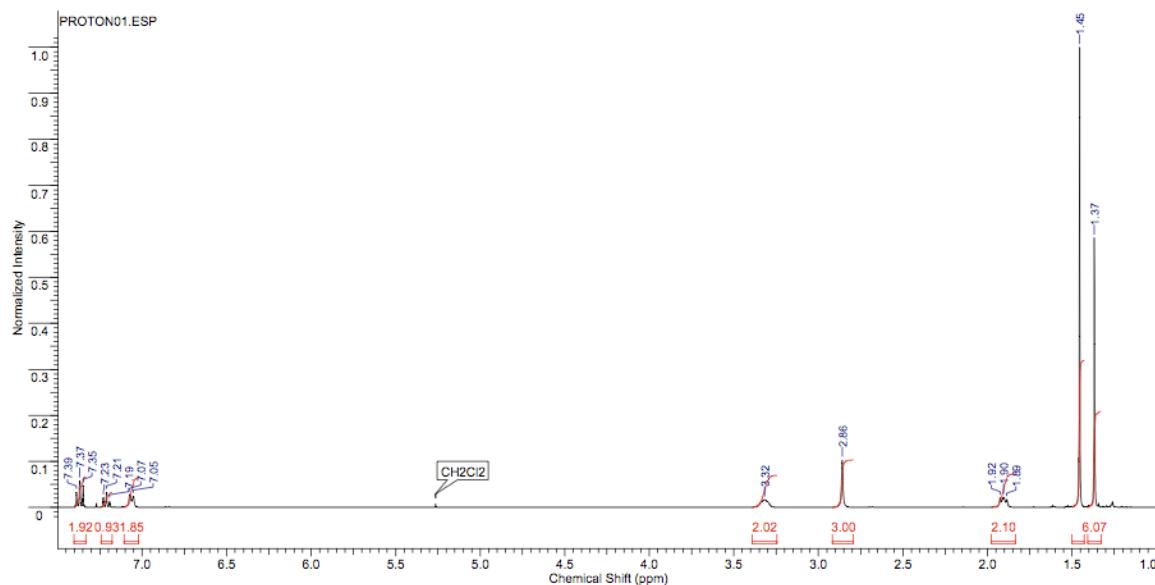


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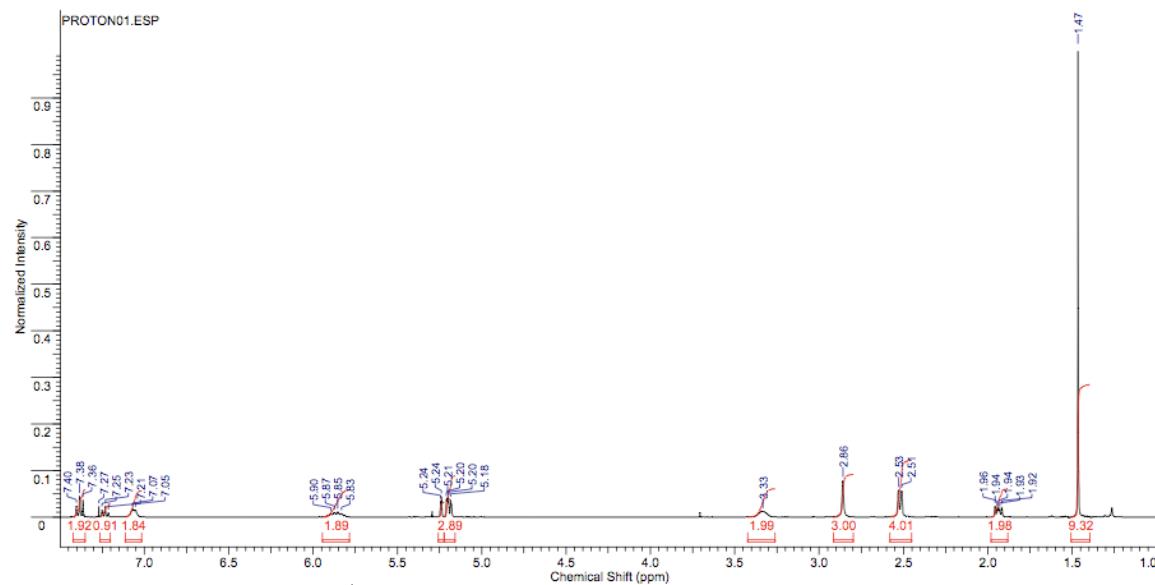


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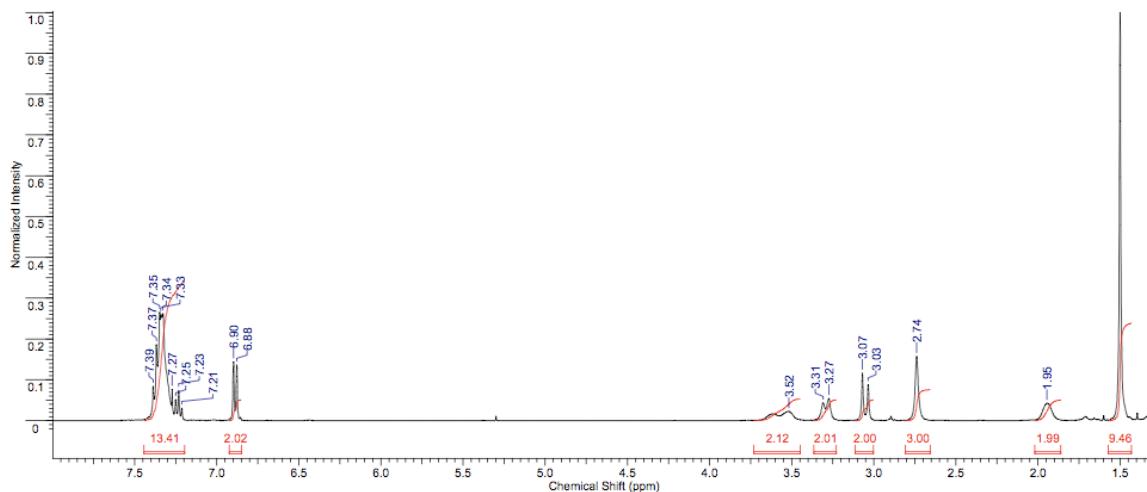


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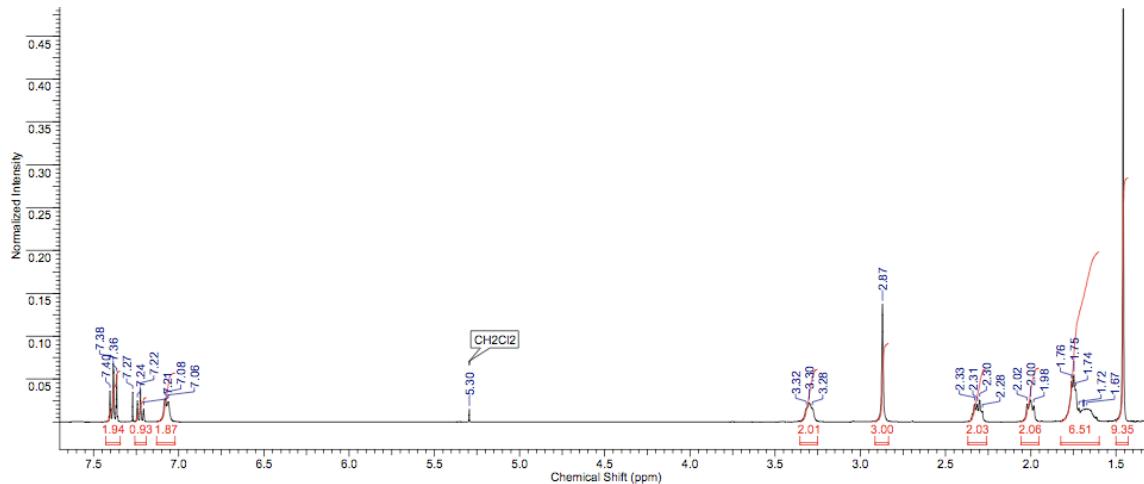


Figure S26. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound 13d (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

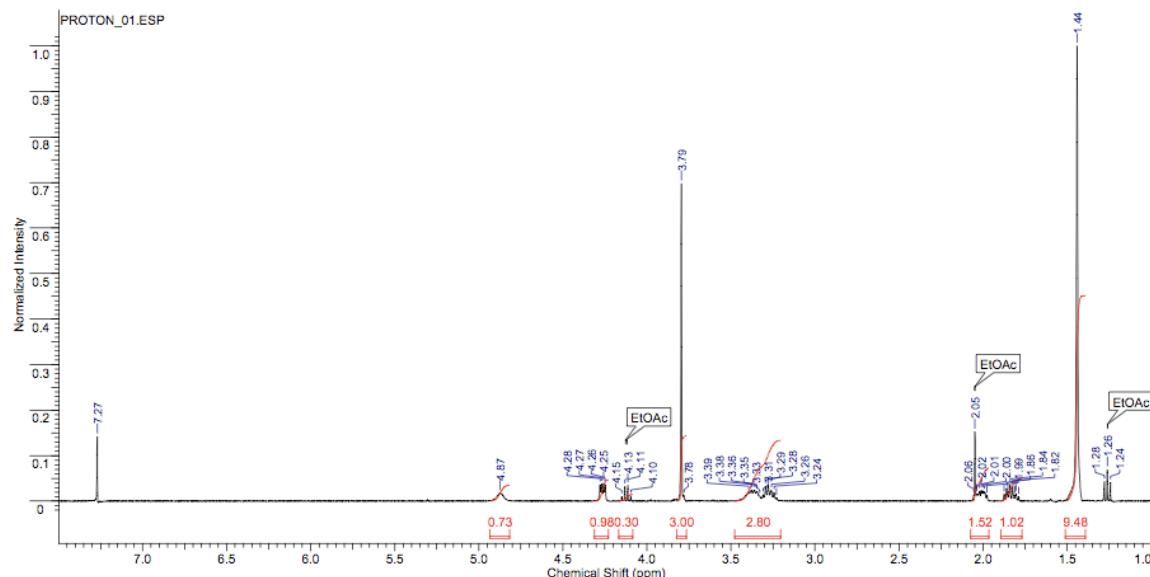


Figure S27. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound 15 (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

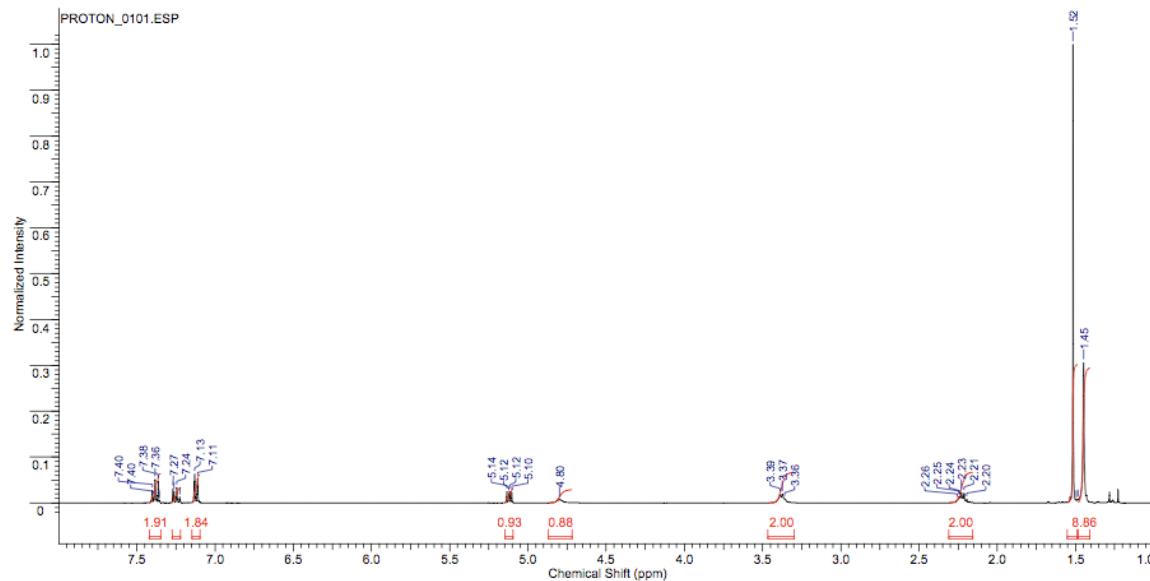


Figure S28. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound 16a (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

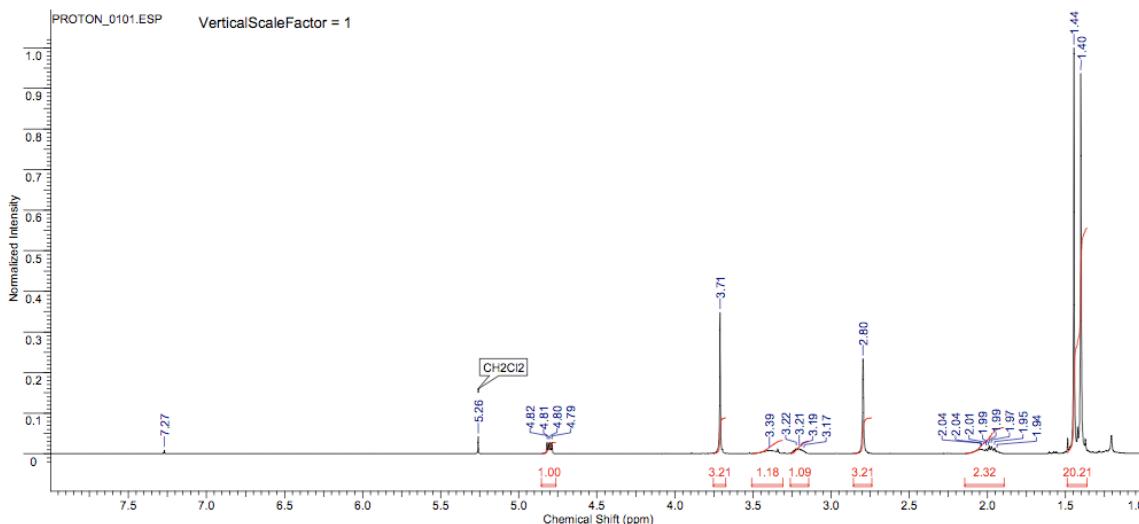


Figure S29. ^1H NMR Spectrum of Compound **16b** (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

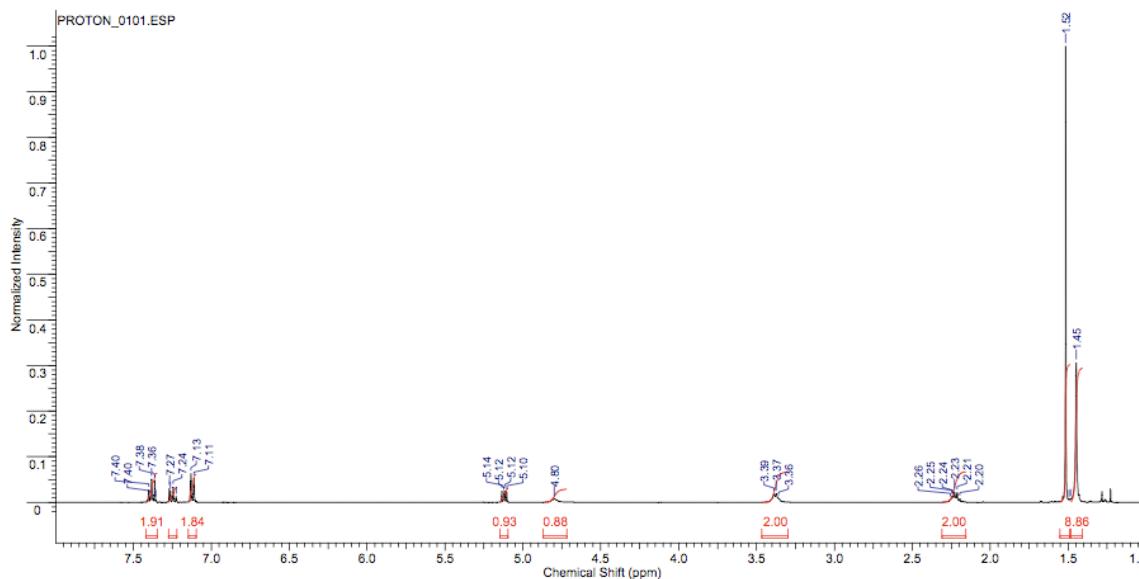


Figure S30. ^1H NMR Spectrum of Compound **17a** (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

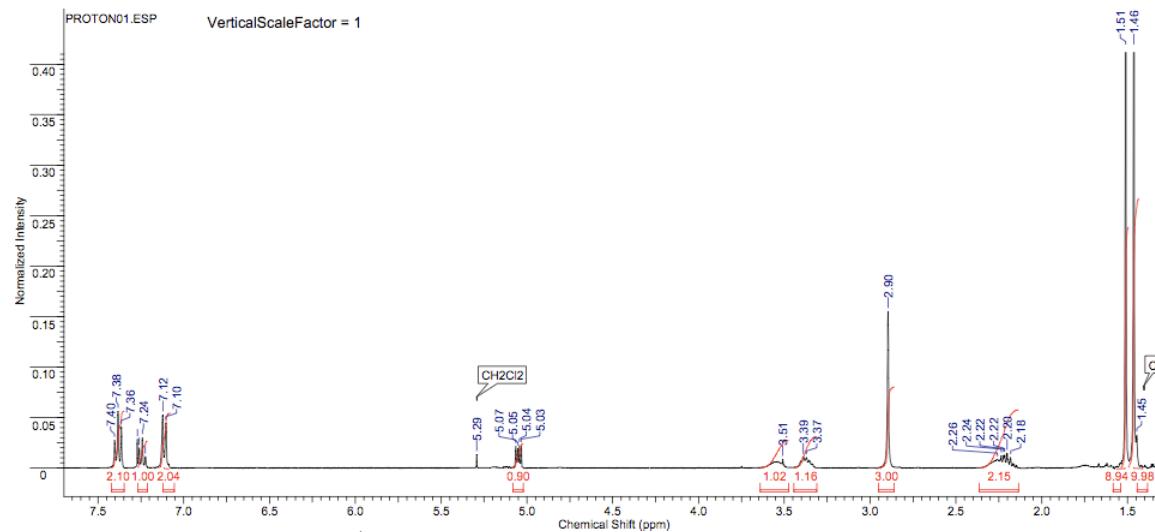


Figure S31. ¹H NMR Spectrum of Compound 17b (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

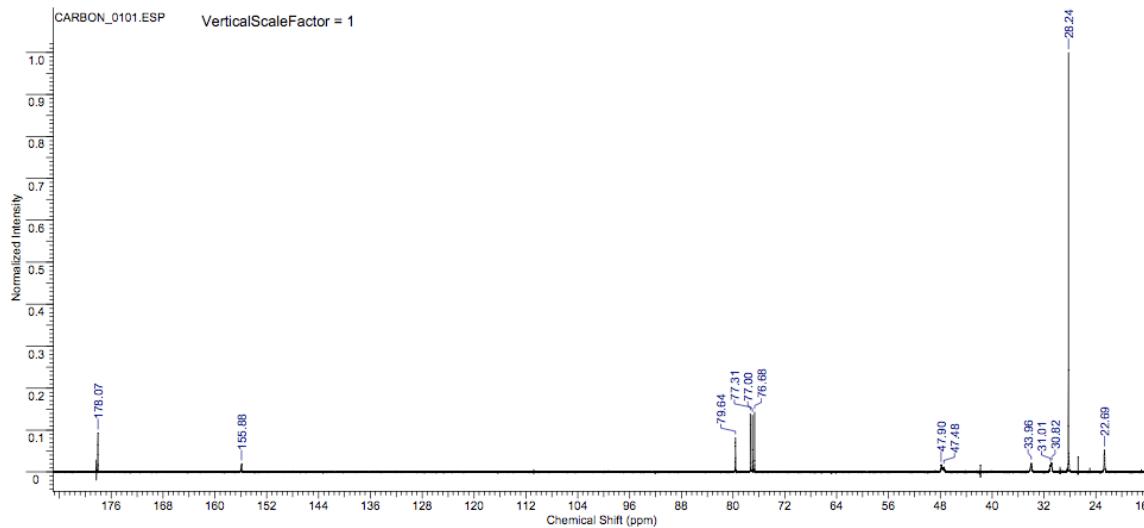


Figure S32. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound 5 (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

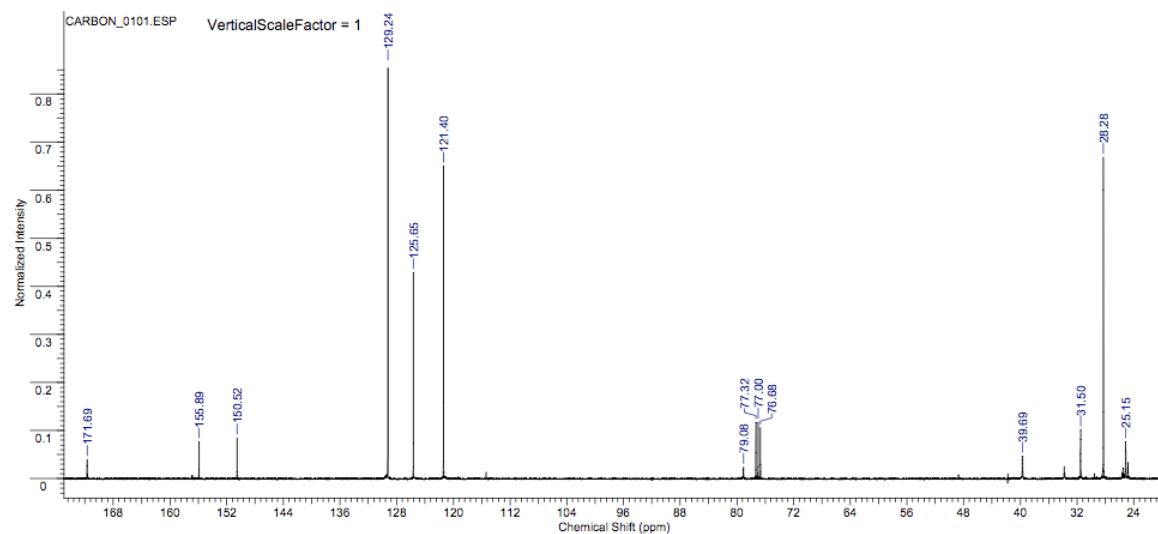


Figure S33. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound **6a** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

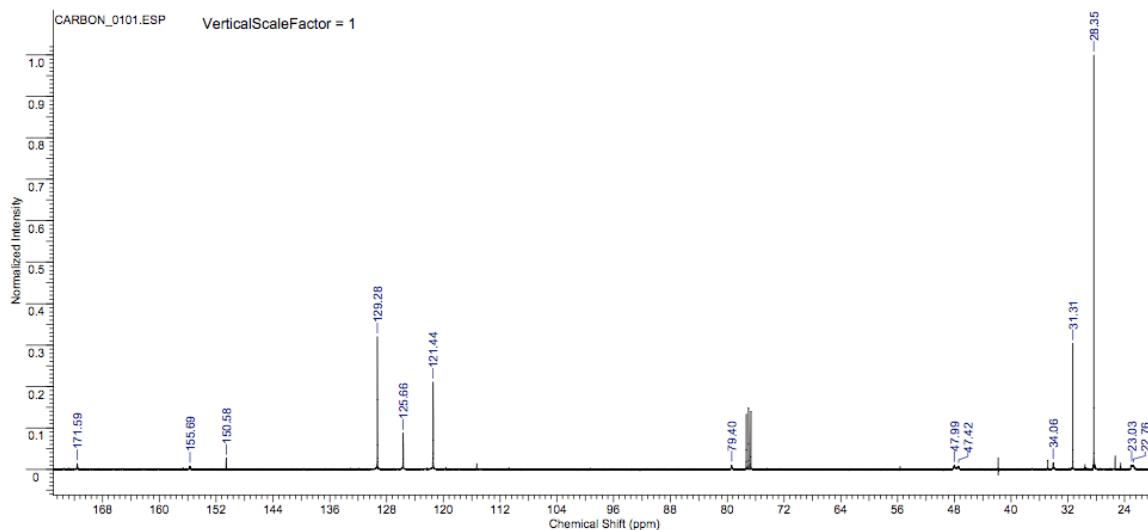


Figure S34. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound **6b** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

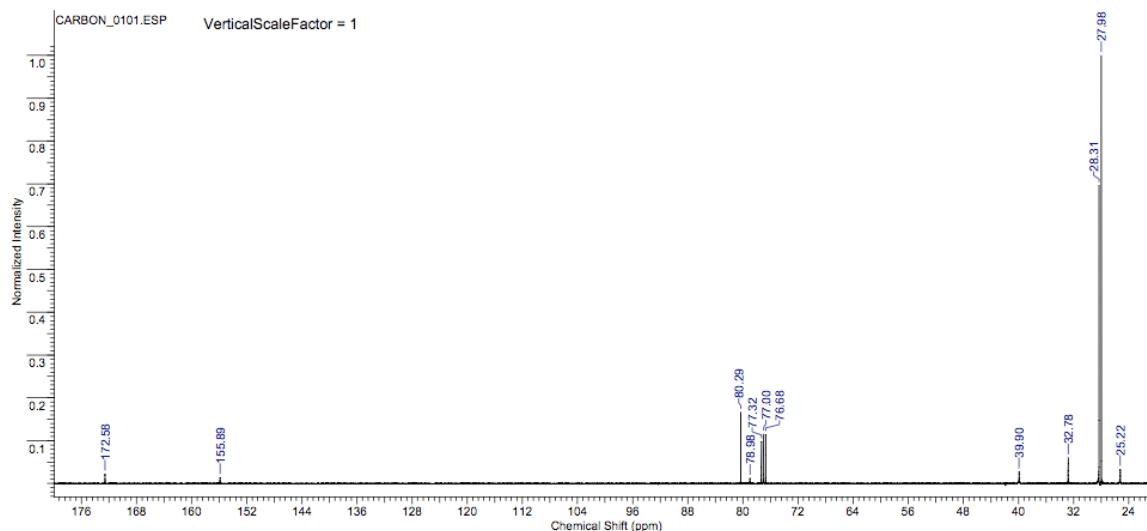


Figure S35. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound 7a (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

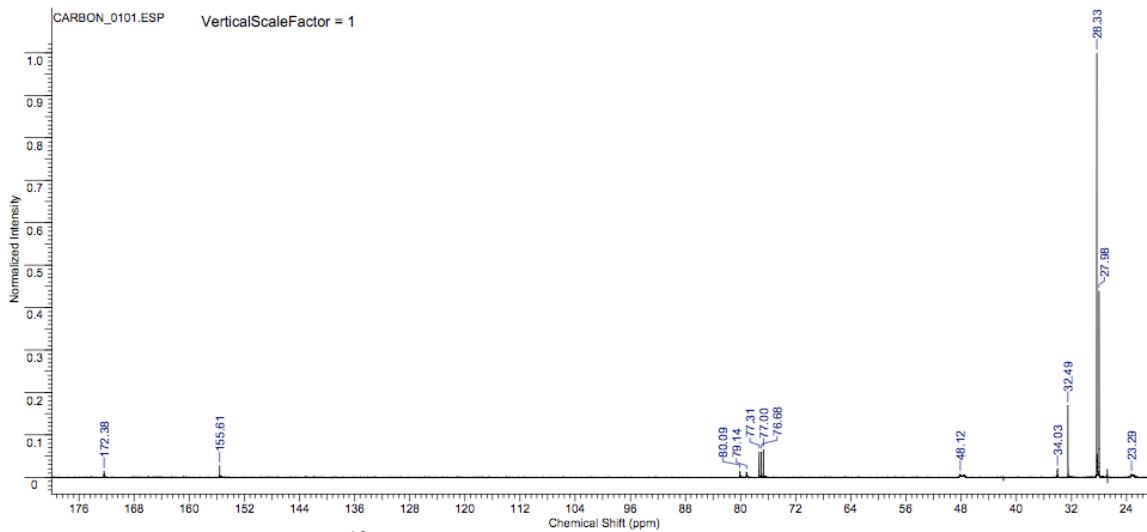


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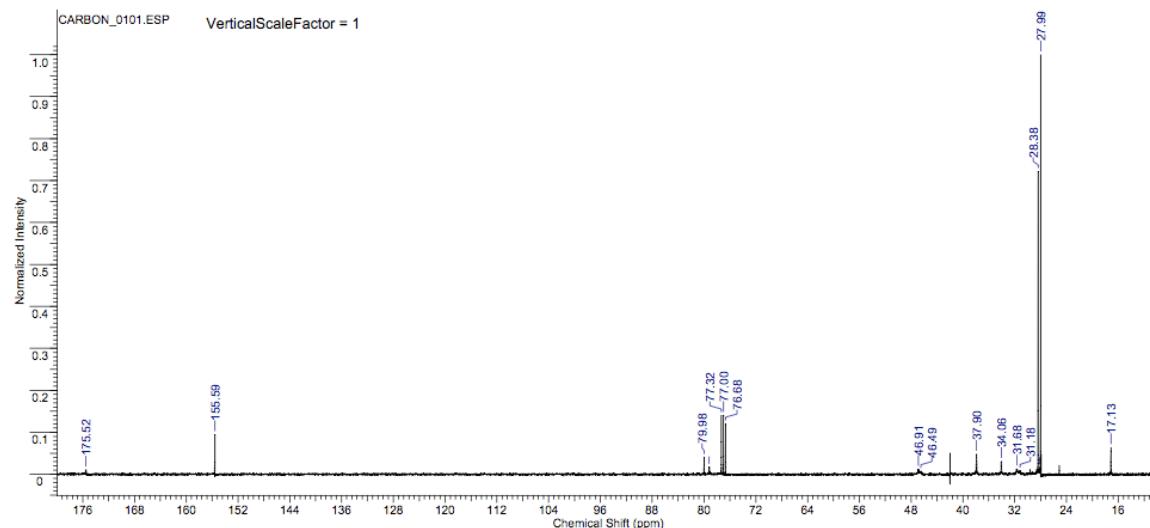


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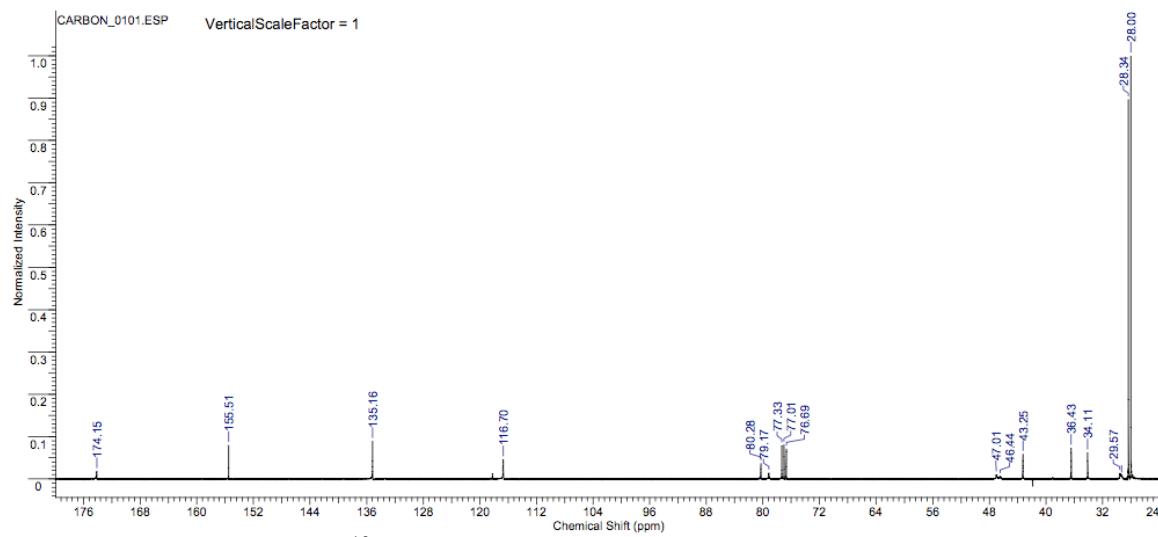


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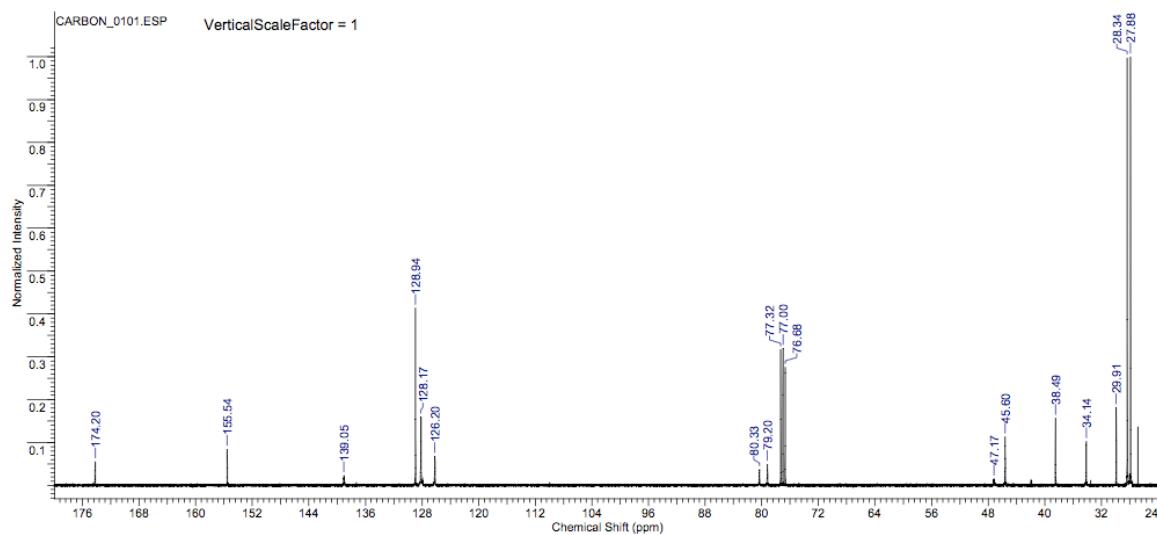


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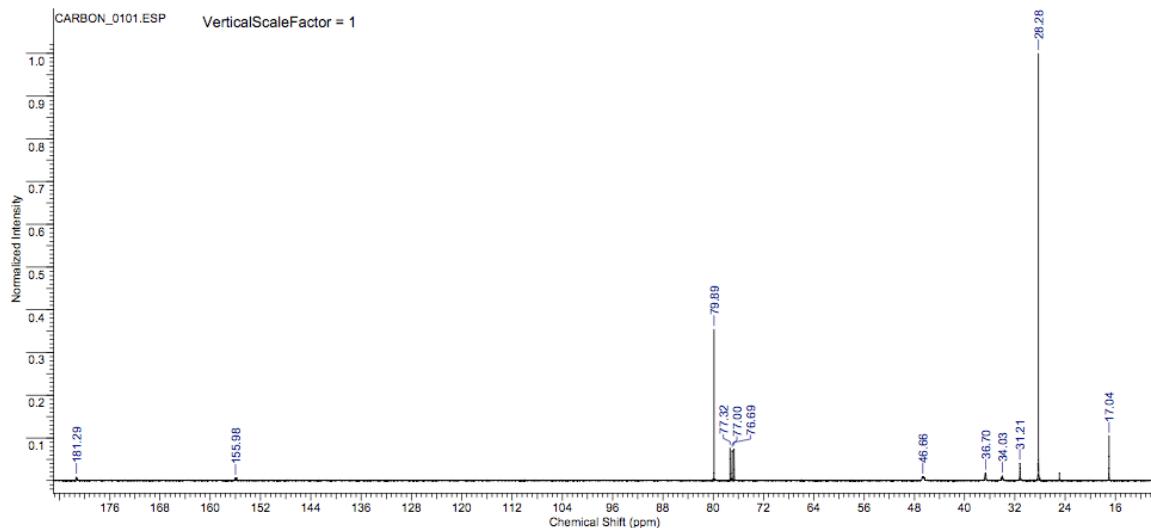


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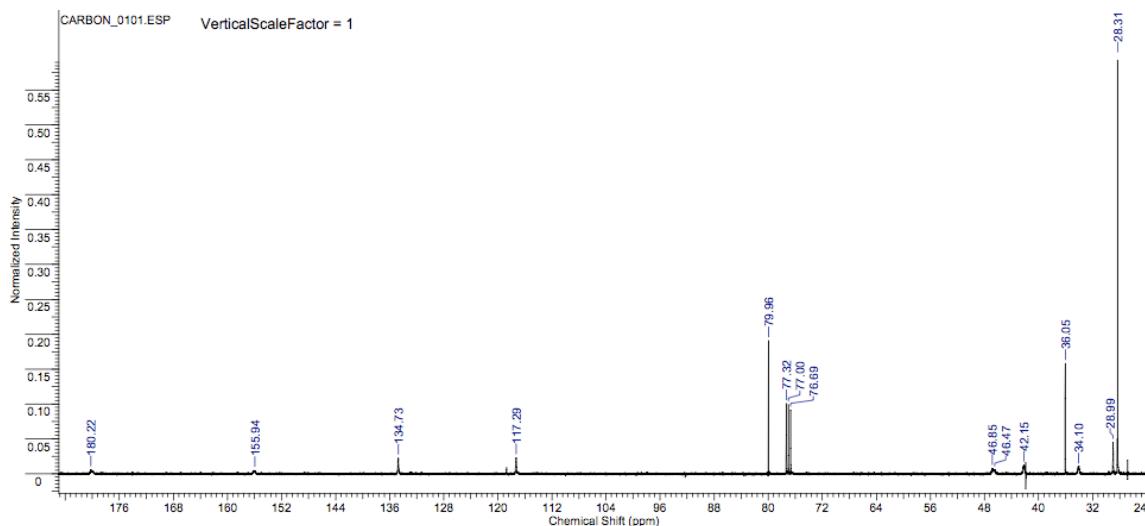


Figure S41. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound **9b** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

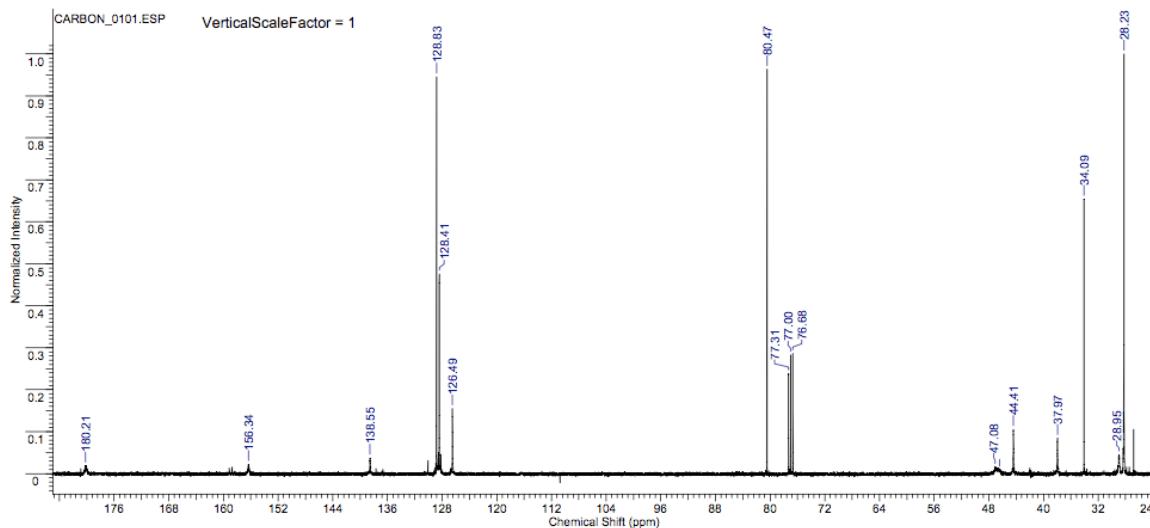


Figure S42. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound **9c** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

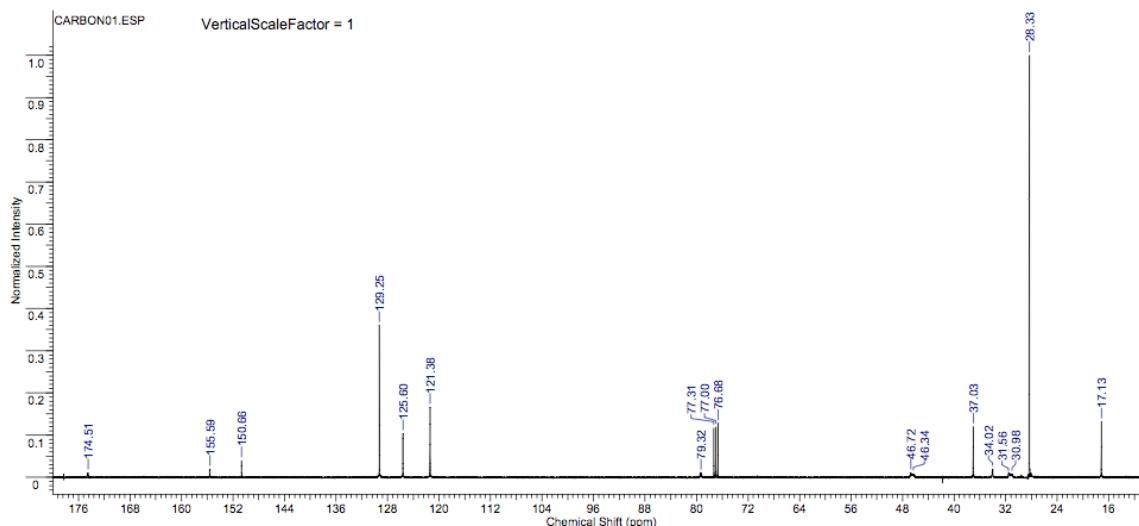


Figure S43. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound 10a (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

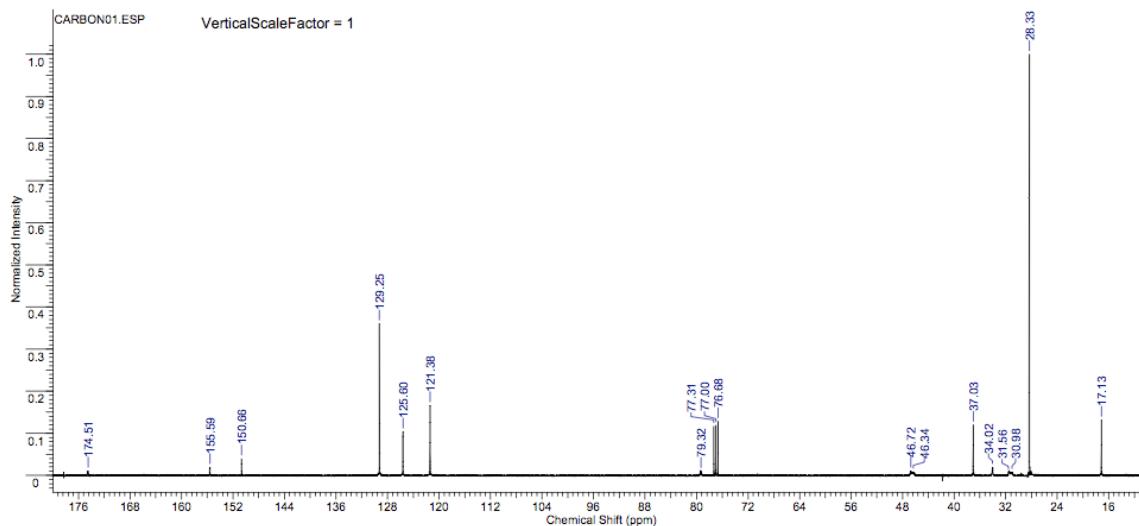


Figure S44. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound 10b (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

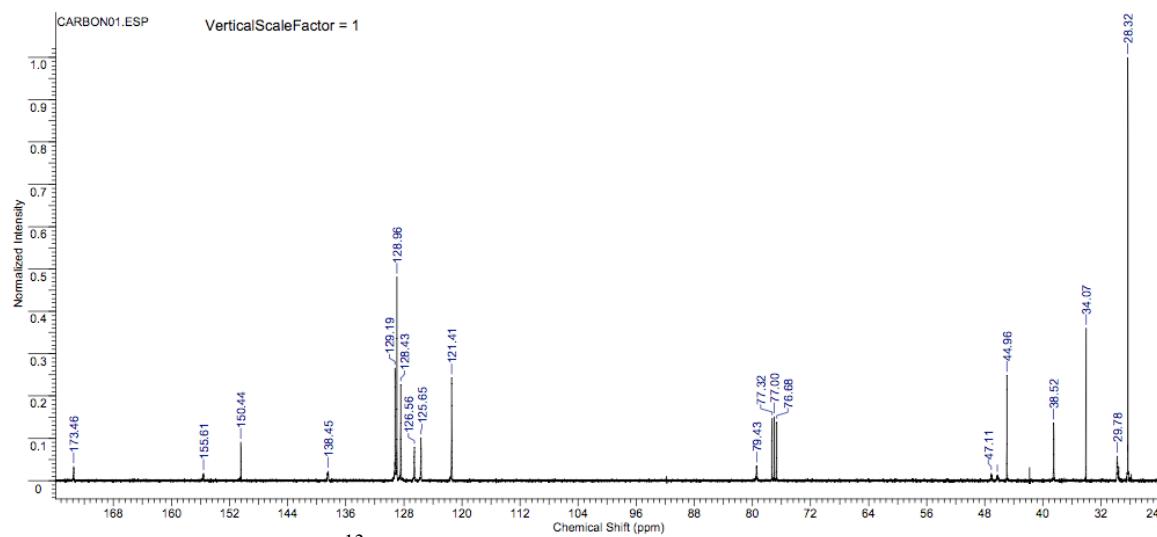


Figure S45. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound 10c (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

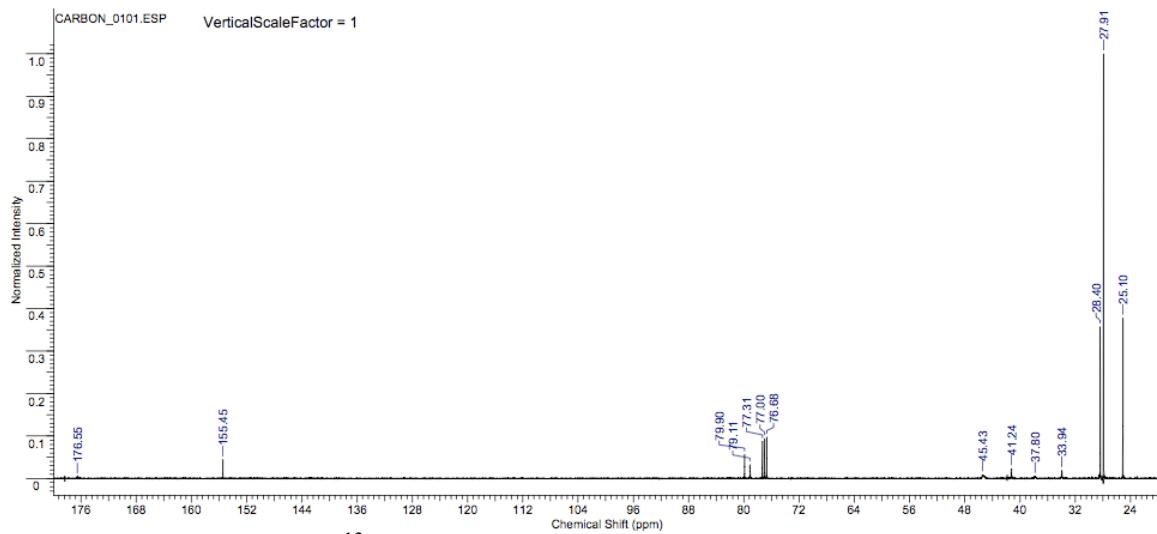


Figure S46. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound 11a (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

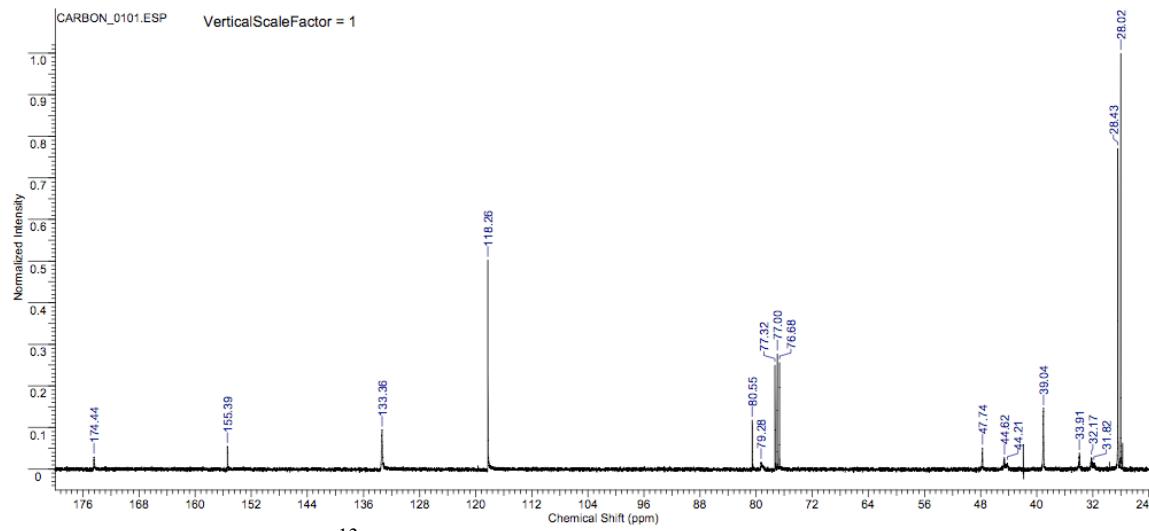


Figure S47. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound 11b (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

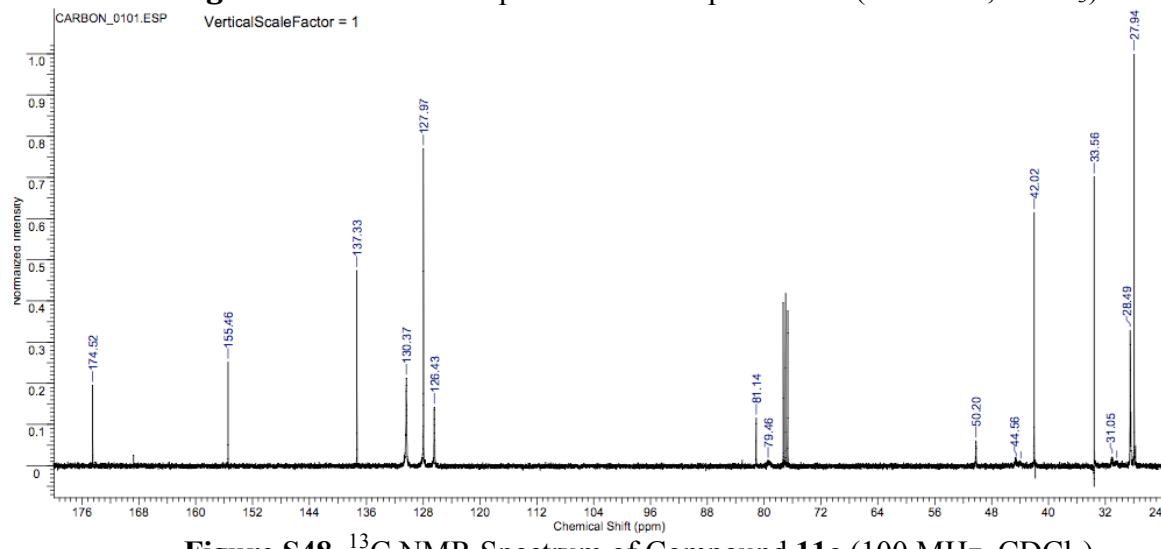


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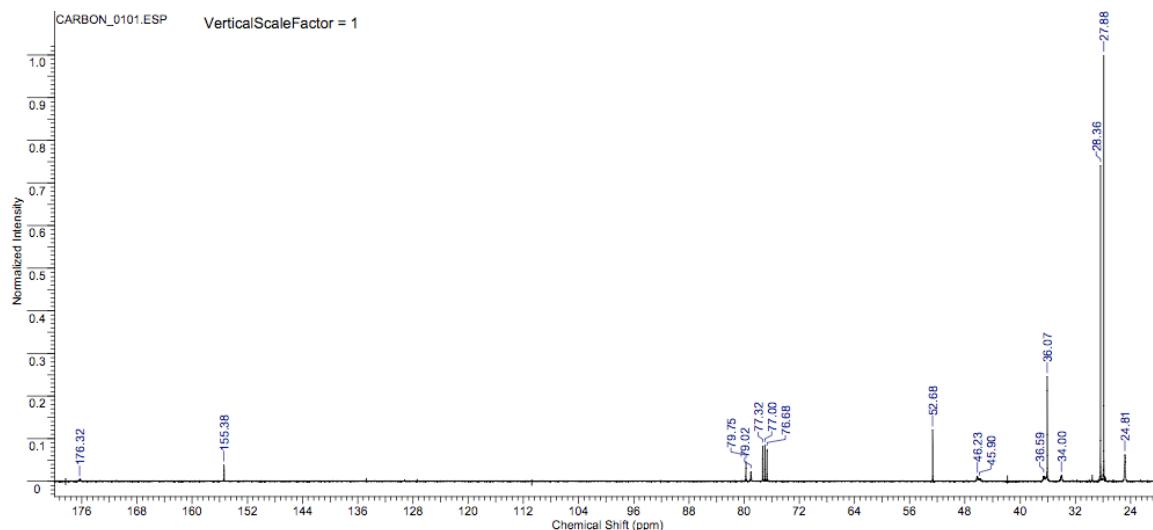


Figure S49. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound **11d** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

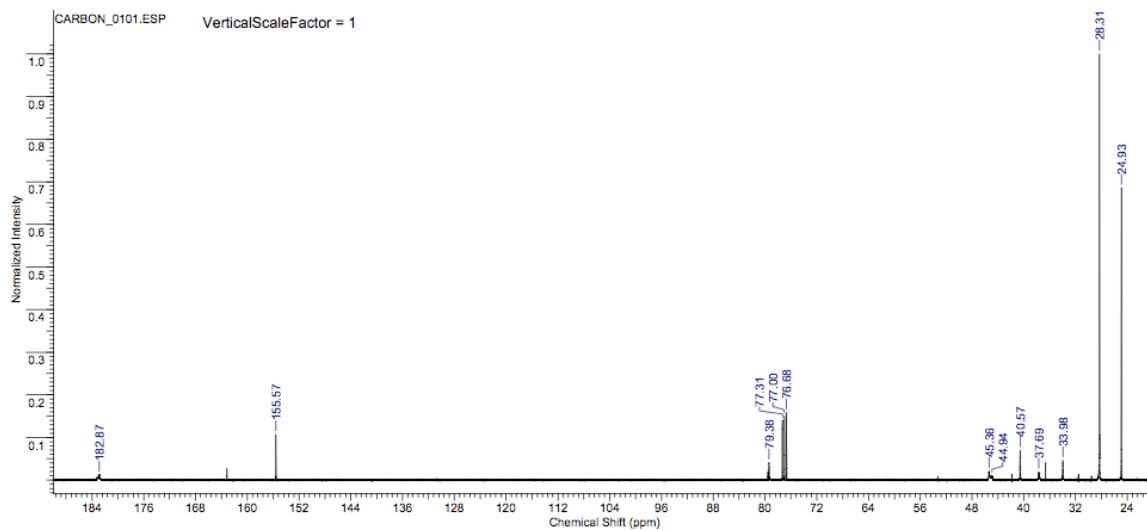


Figure S50. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound **12a** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

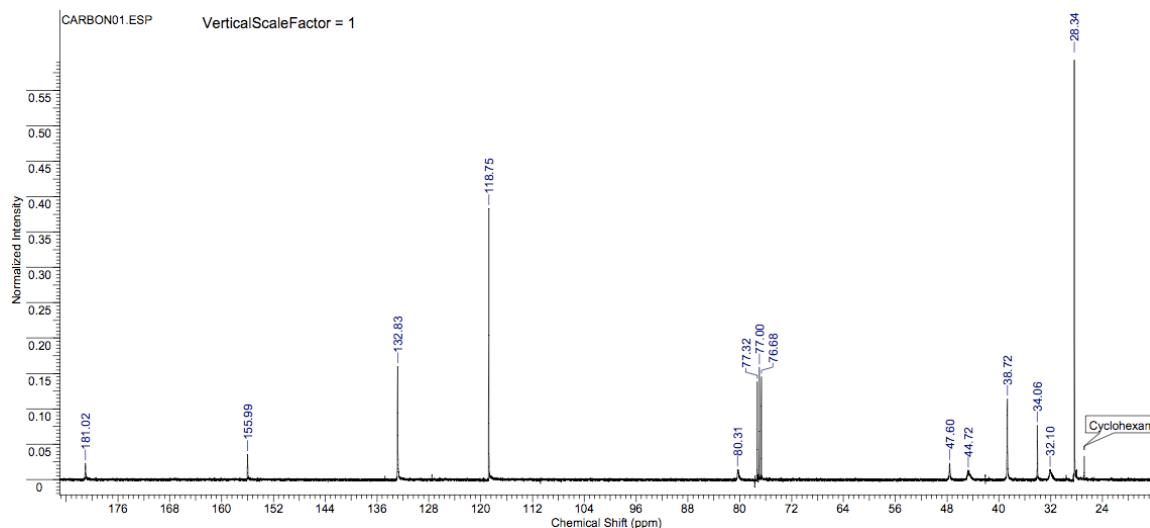


Figure S51. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound **12b** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

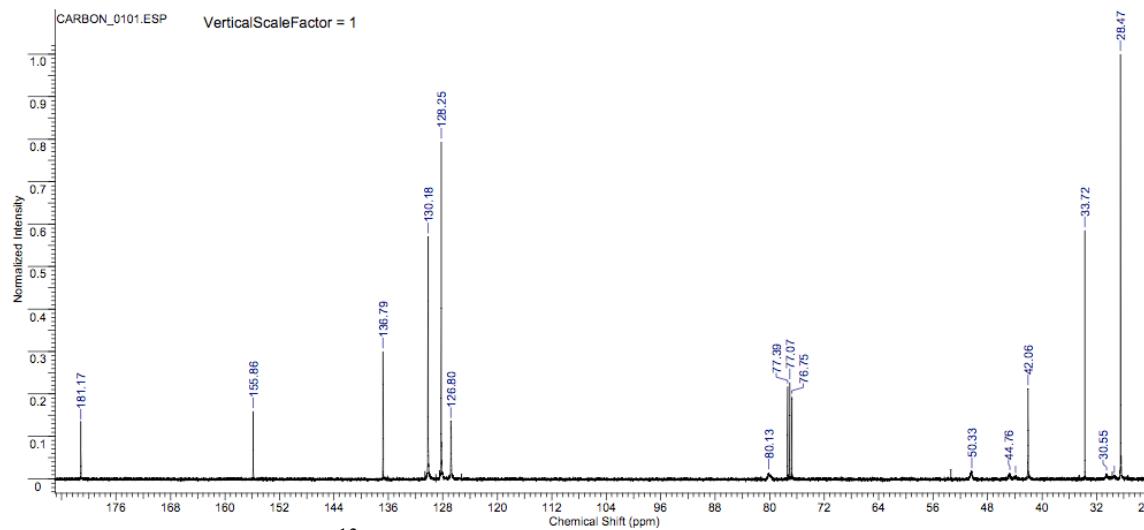


Figure S52. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound **12c** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

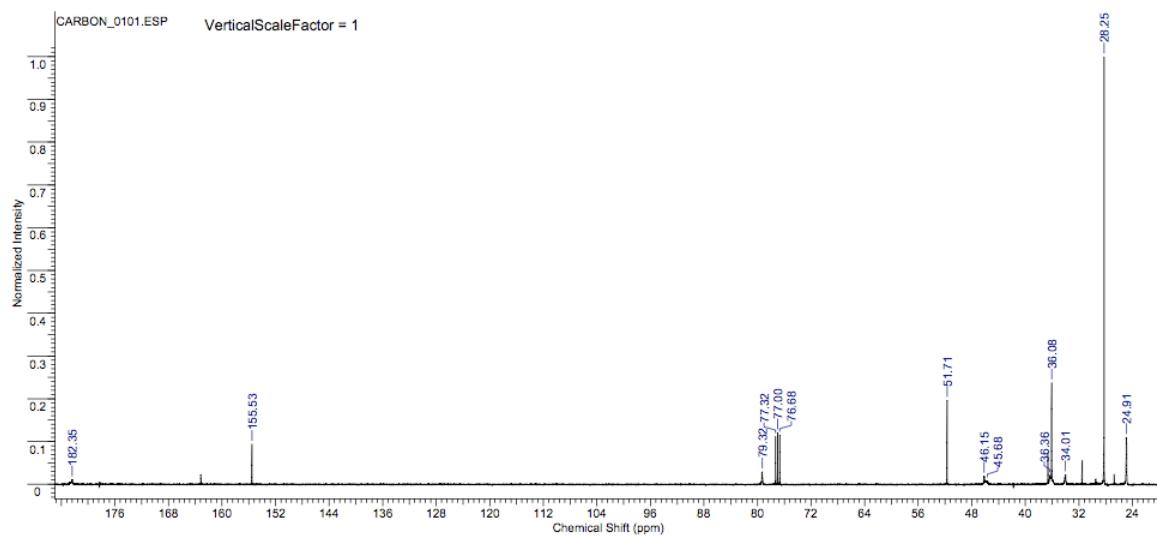


Figure S53. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound **12d** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

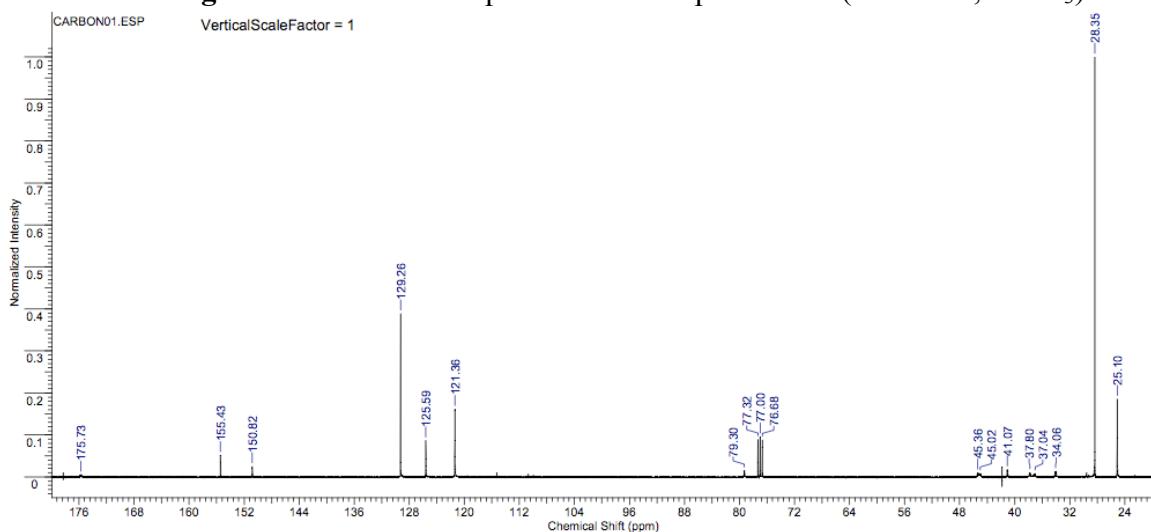


Figure S54. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound **13a** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

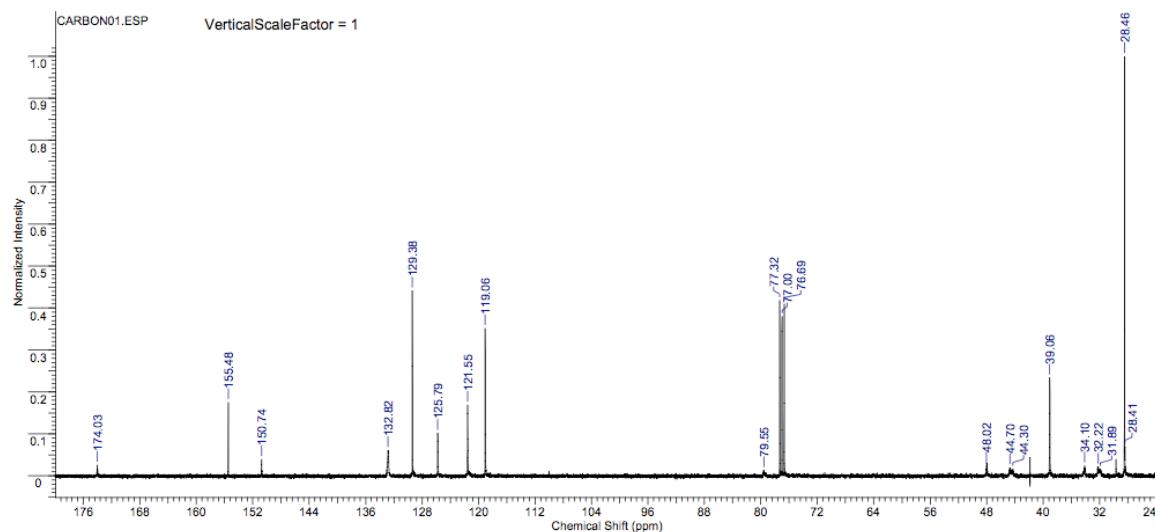


Figure S55. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound **13b** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

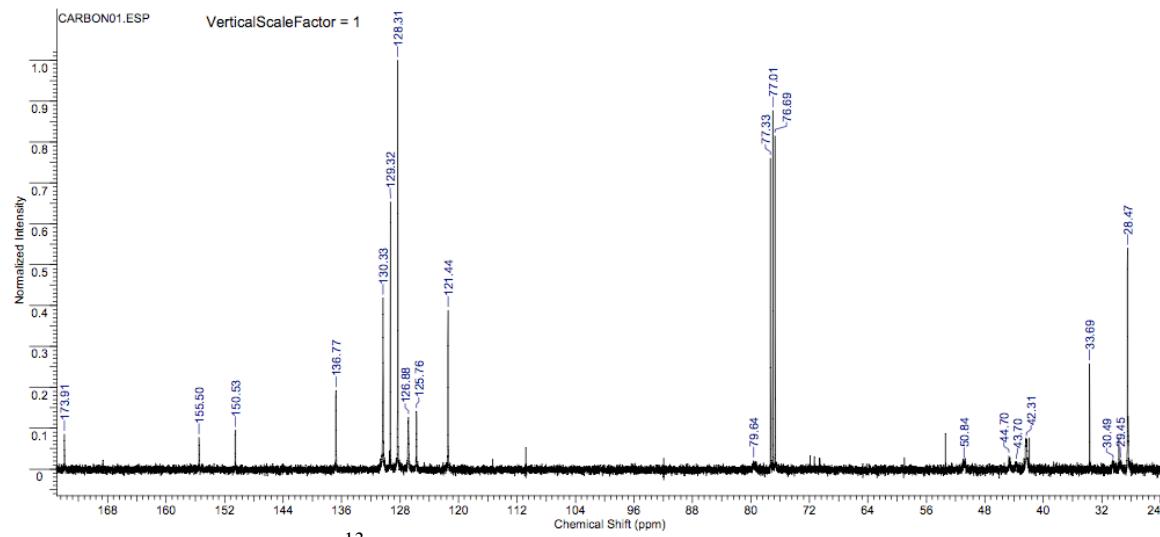


Figure S56. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound **13c** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

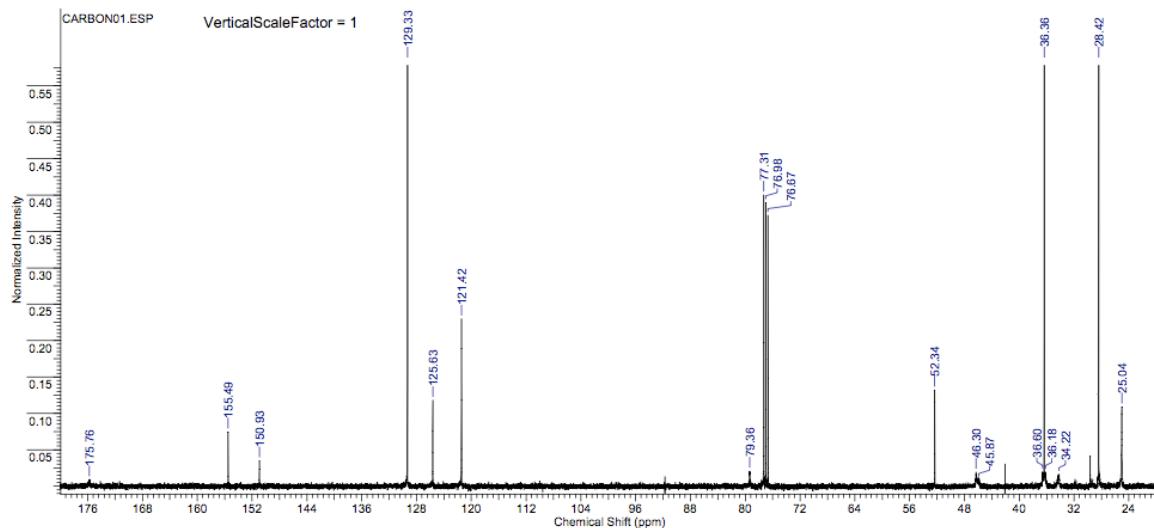


Figure S57. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound 13d (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

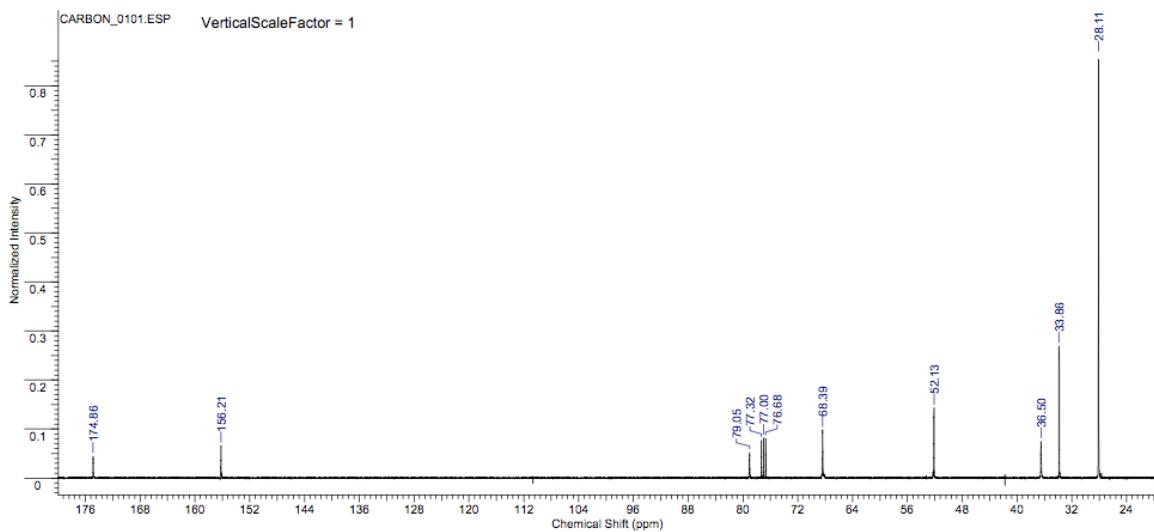


Figure S58. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound 15 (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

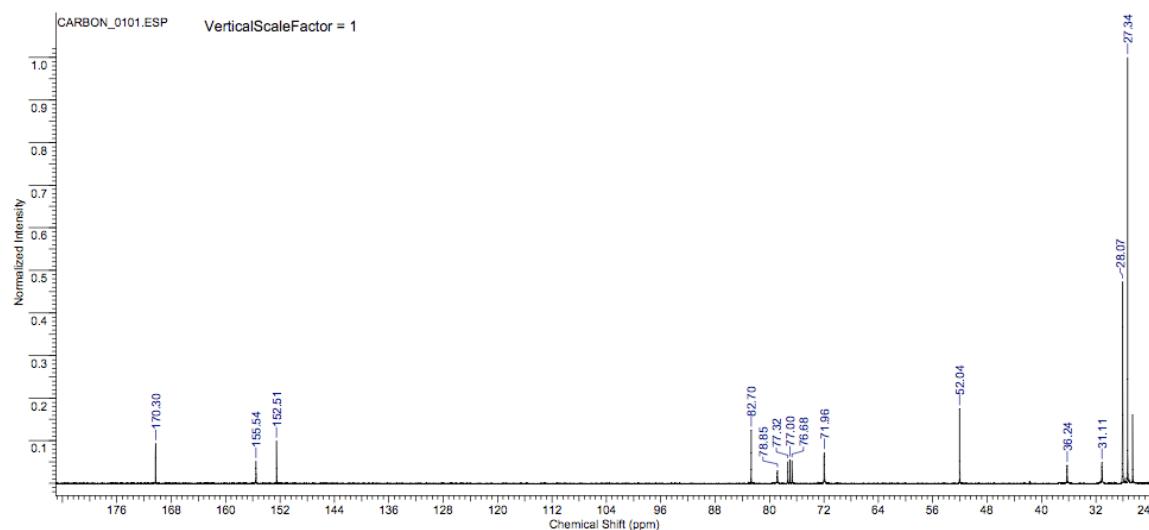


Figure S59. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound 16a (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

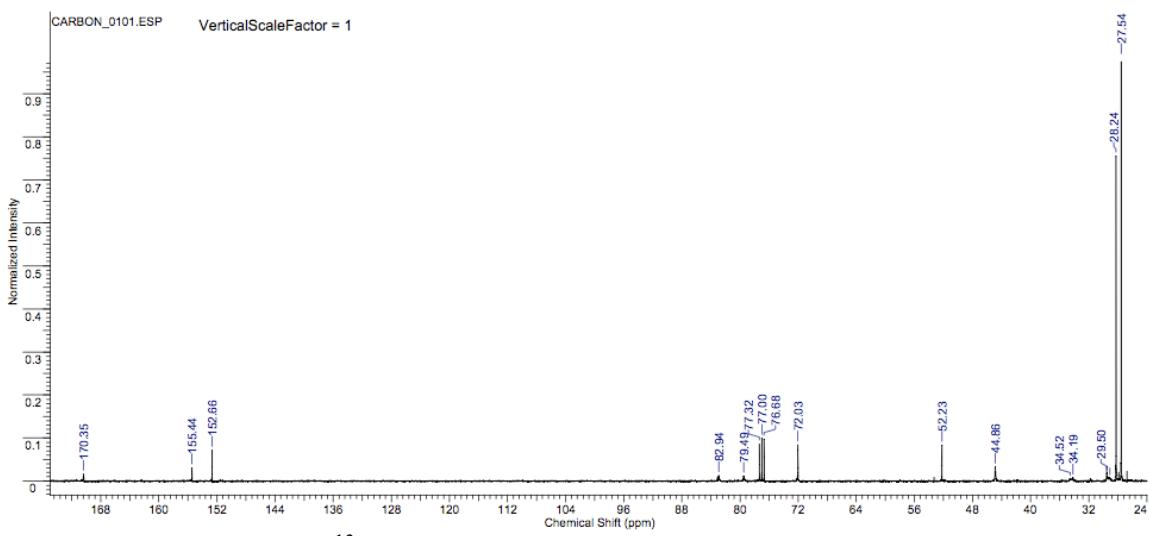


Figure S60. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound 16b (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

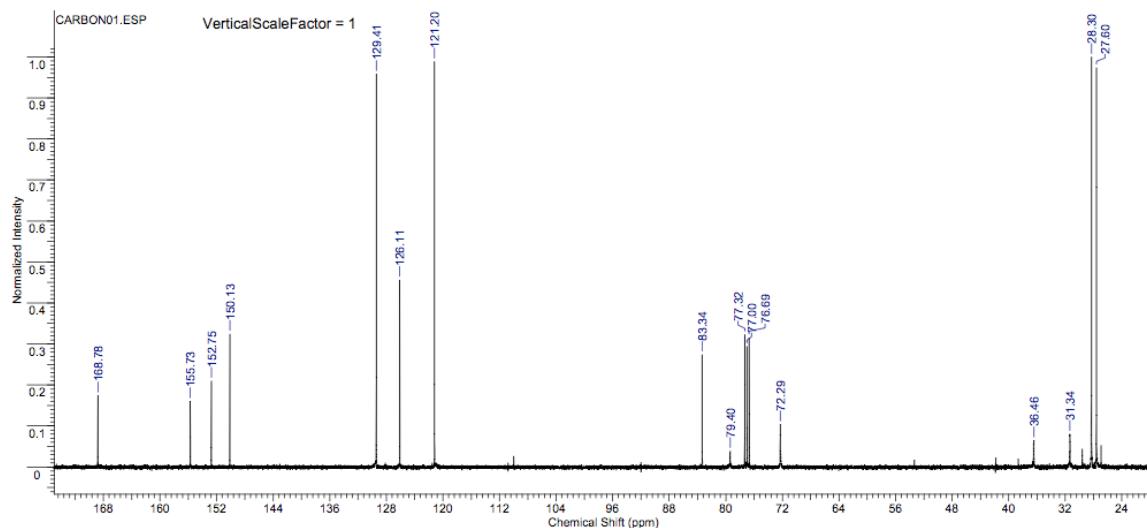


Figure S61. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound 17a (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

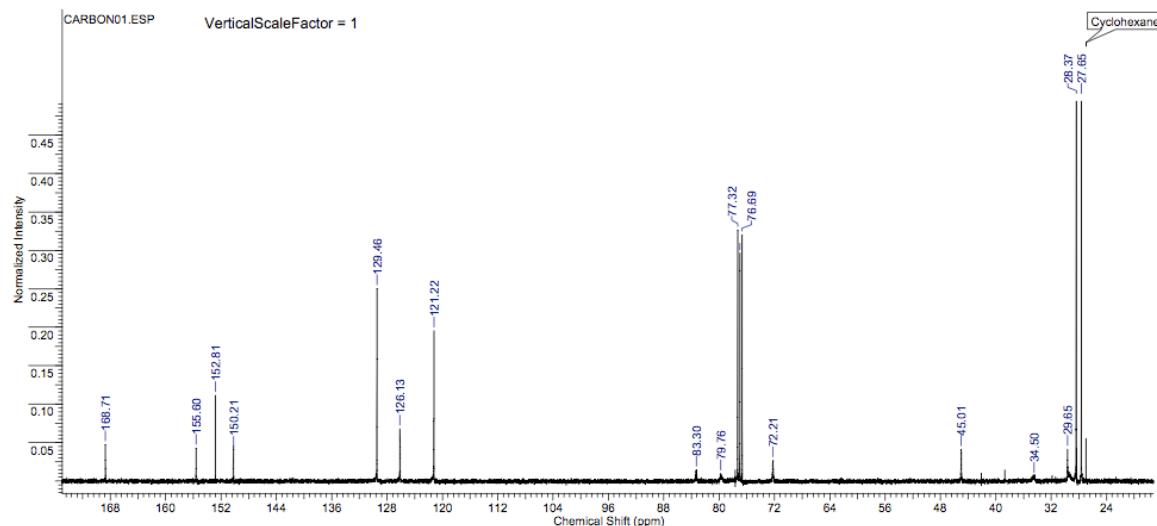


Figure S62. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of Compound 17b (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

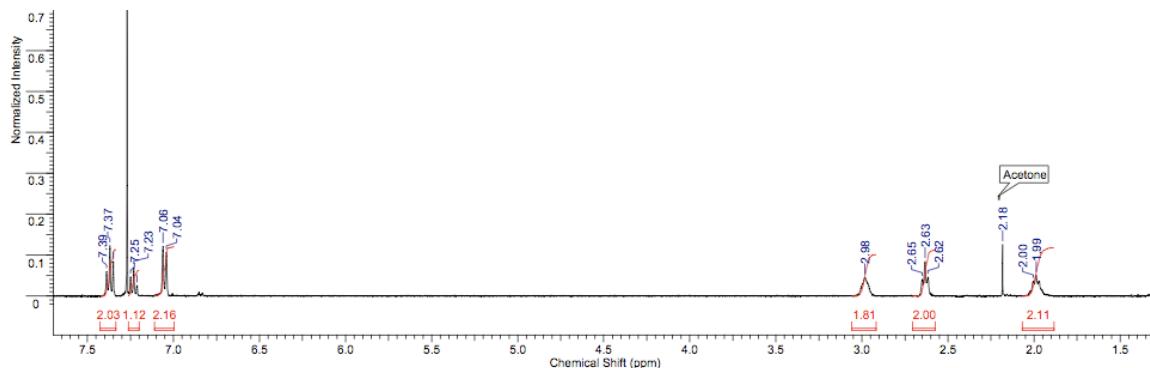


Figure S63. ¹H NMR Spectrum of **3a**·TFA (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

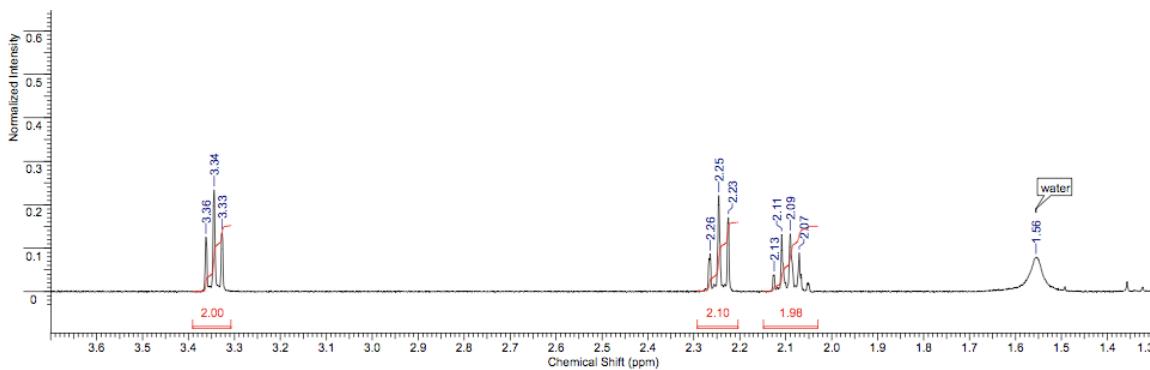


Figure 64. ¹H NMR Spectrum of **18a** (400 MHz, CDCl₃). HRMS calc'd [M]⁺ (C₄H₇NO): 85.0528. Found: (EI) 85.0530.

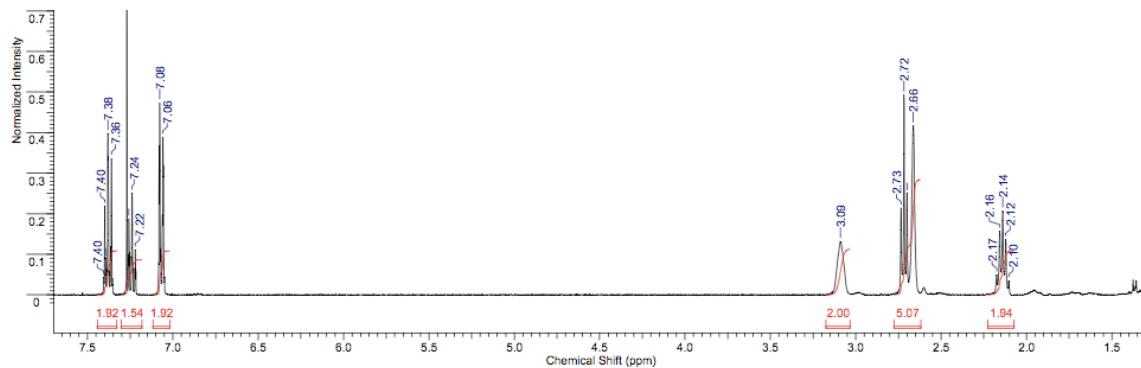


Figure S65. ¹H NMR Spectrum of **3b**·TFA (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

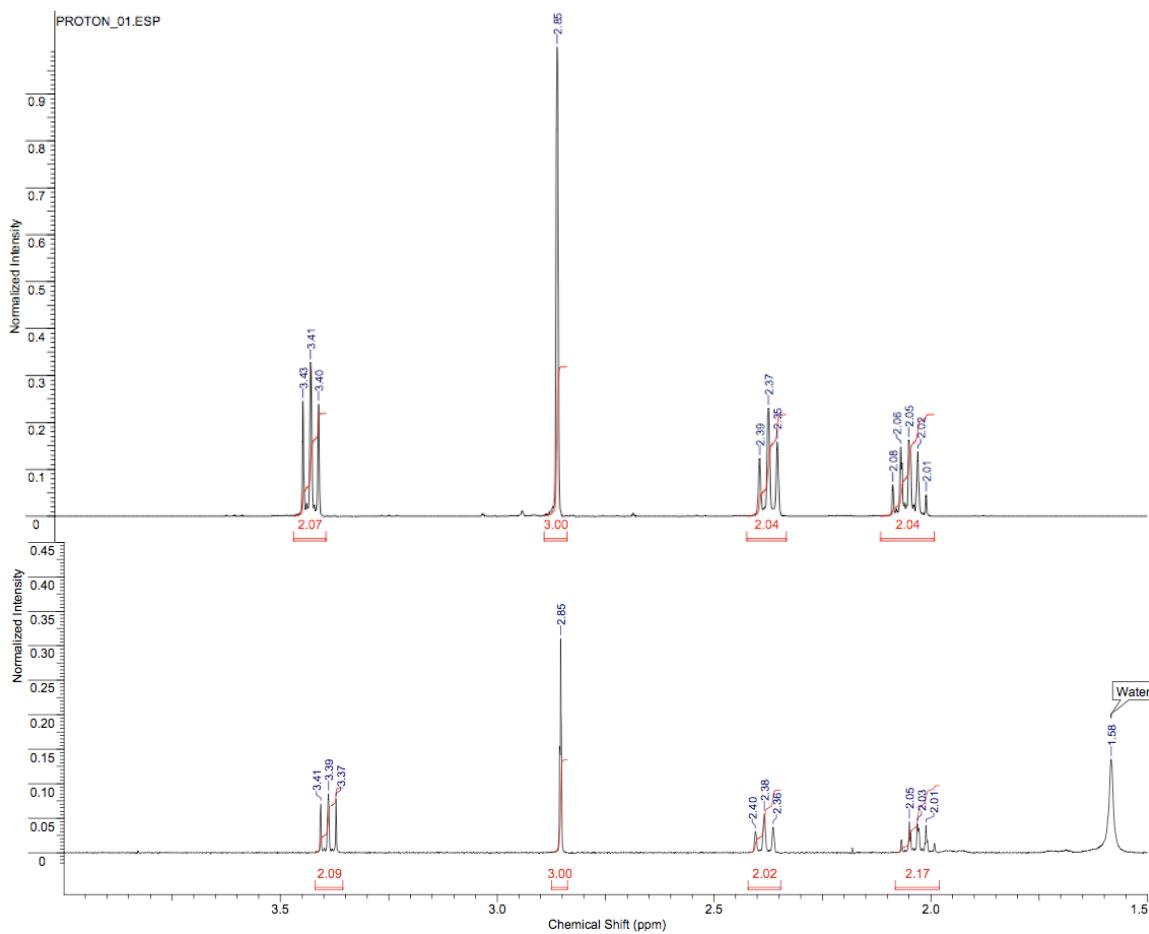


Figure S66. ^1H NMR Spectrum of a) Commercial NMP and b) **18b** (400 MHz, CDCl_3). HRMS calc'd $[\text{M}]^+$ ($\text{C}_5\text{H}_9\text{NO}$): 99.0684. Found: (EI) 99.0681.

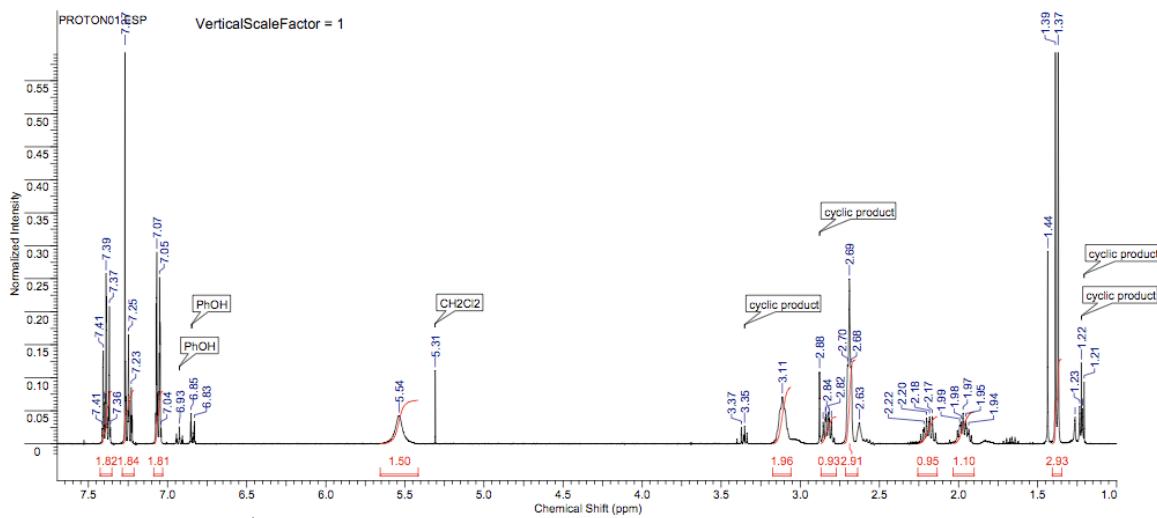


Figure S67. ^1H NMR Spectrum of **3c**·TFA (400 MHz, CDCl_3). Upon addition of H_2O immediately prior to freeze drying, some material cyclized to form **18c** and PhOH.

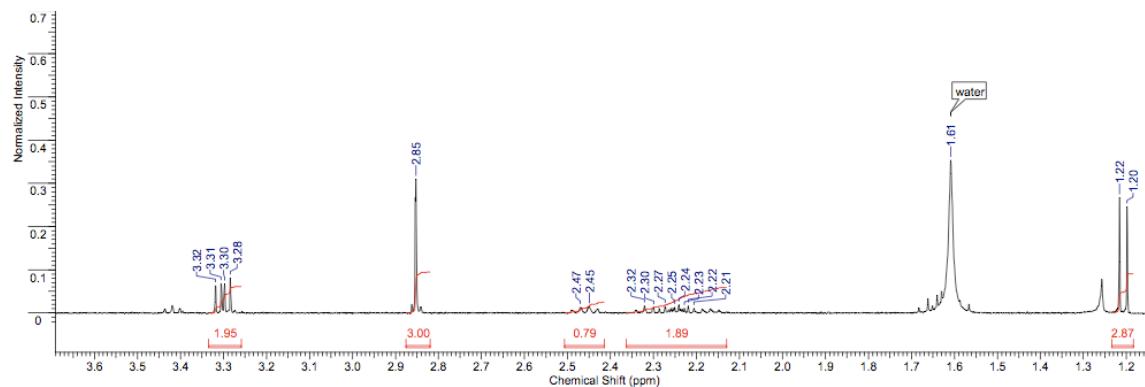


Figure S68. ¹H NMR Spectrum of **18c** (400 MHz, CDCl₃). HRMS calc'd [M]⁺ (C₆H₁₁NO): 113.0841. Found: (EI) 113.0841.

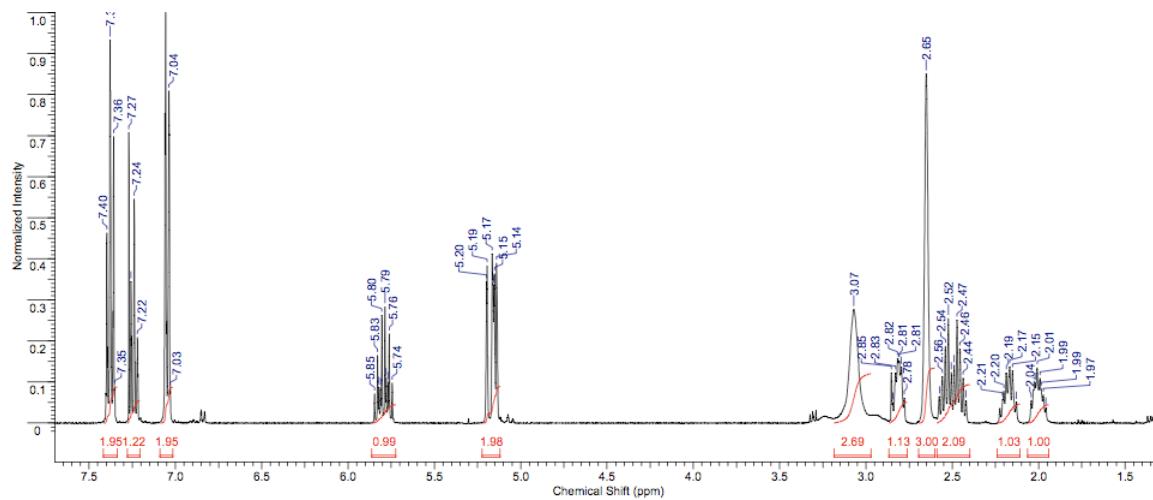


Figure S69. ¹H NMR Spectrum of **3d**-TFA (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

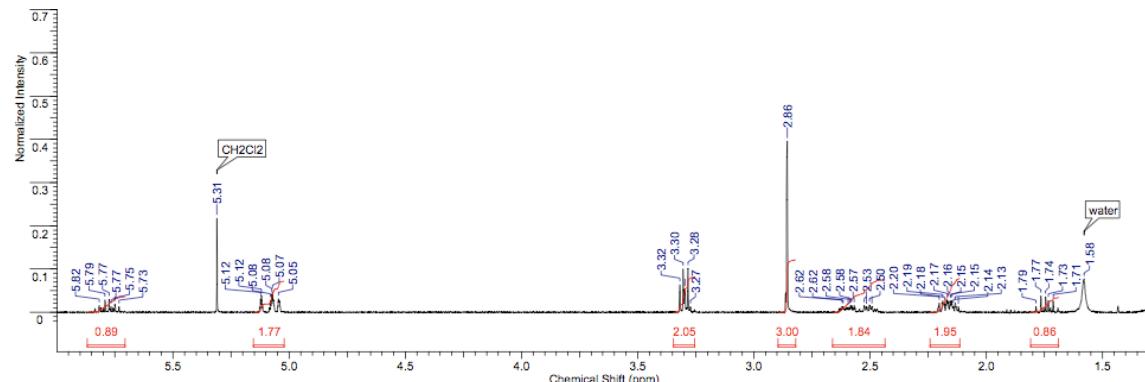


Figure S70. ¹H NMR Spectrum of **18d** (400 MHz, CDCl₃). HRMS calc'd [M+H]⁺ (C₈H₁₄NO)⁺: 140.1070. Found: (EI) 140.1079.

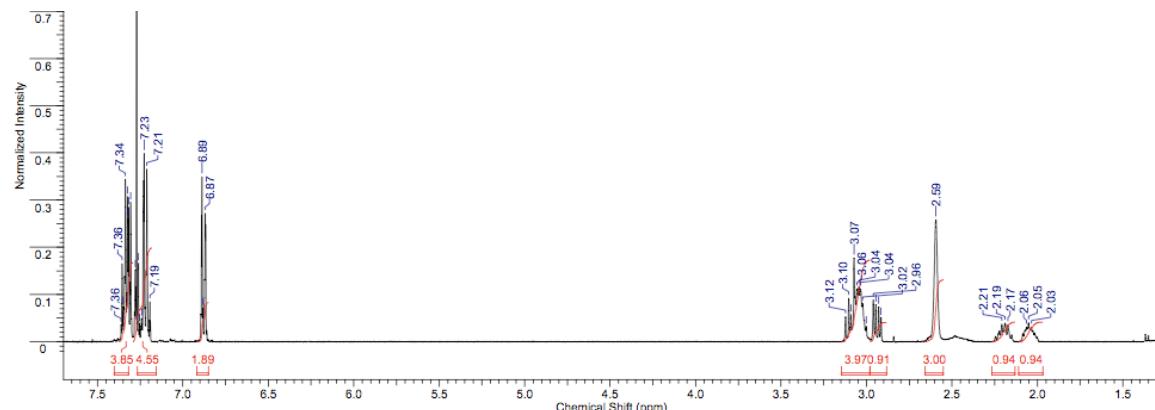


Figure S71. ^1H NMR Spectrum of **3e**-TFA (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

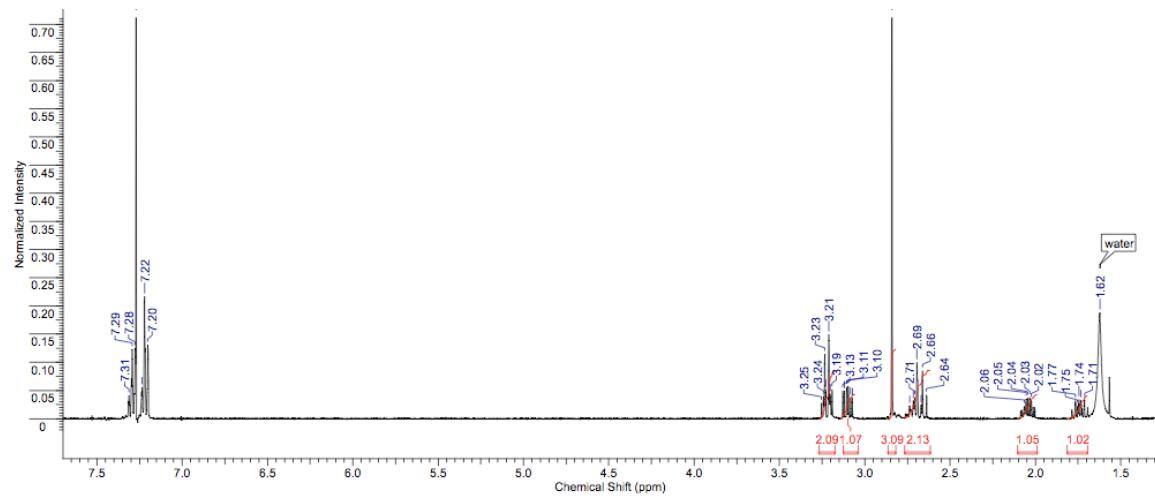


Figure S72. ^1H NMR Spectrum of **18e** (400 MHz, CDCl_3). HRMS calc'd $[\text{M}]^+$ ($\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}$): 189.1154. Found: (EI) 181.1156.

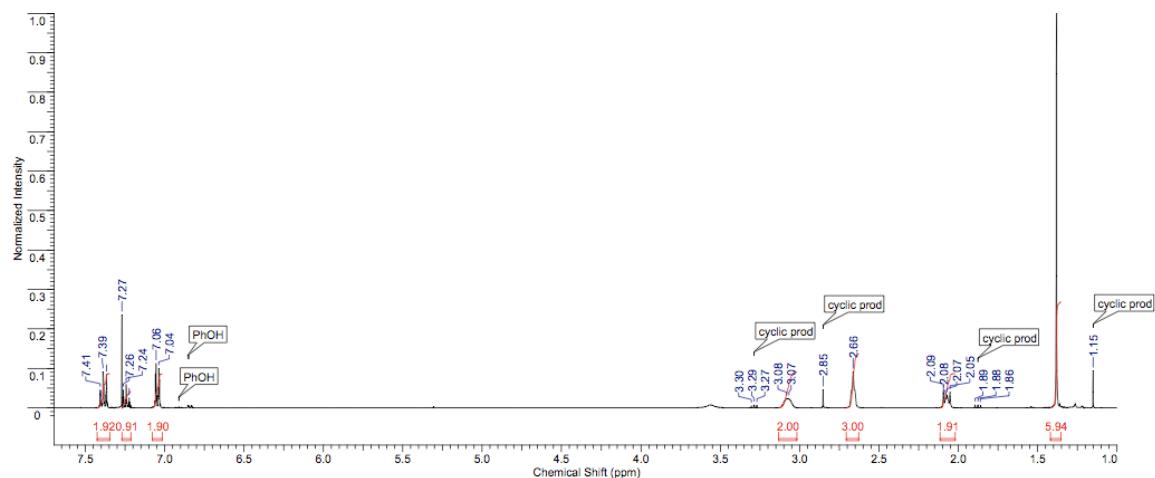


Figure S73. ^1H NMR Spectrum of **3f**-TFA (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

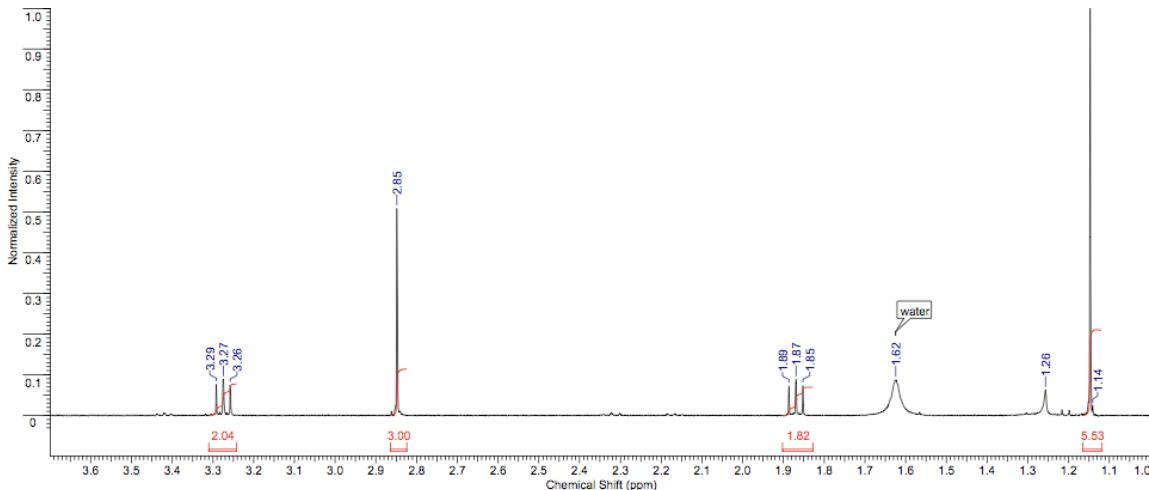


Figure S74. ^1H NMR Spectrum of **18f** (400 MHz, CDCl_3). HRMS calc'd $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ ($\text{C}_7\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}$): 128.1070. Found: (EI) 128.1079.

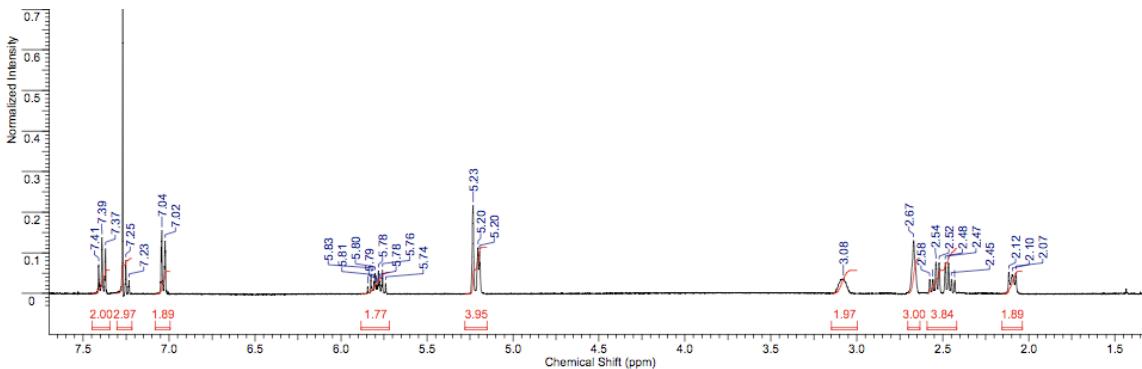


Figure S75. ^1H NMR Spectrum of **3g** \cdot TFA (400 MHz, CDCl_3)

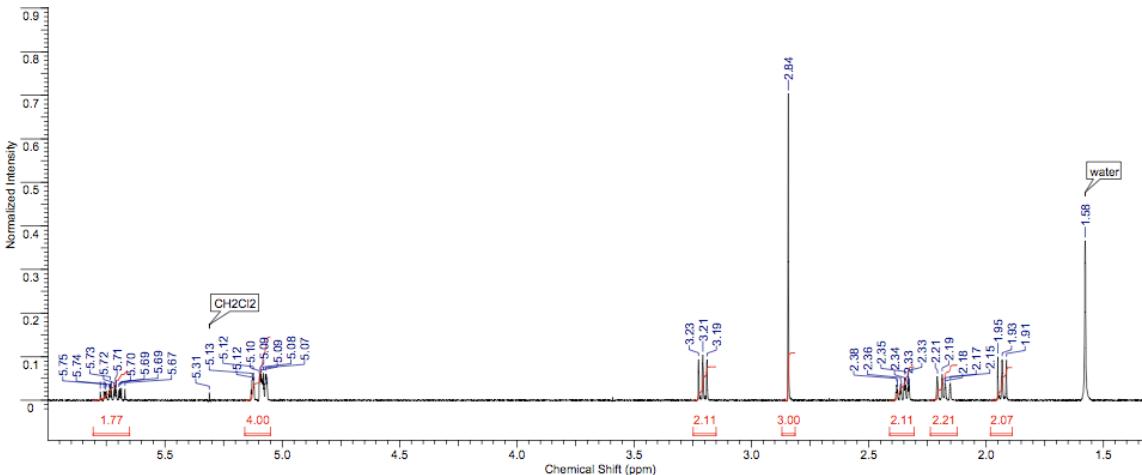


Figure S76. ^1H NMR Spectrum of **18g** (400 MHz, CDCl_3). HRMS calc'd $[\text{M}]^+$ ($\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}$): 179.1310. Found: (EI) 179.1308.

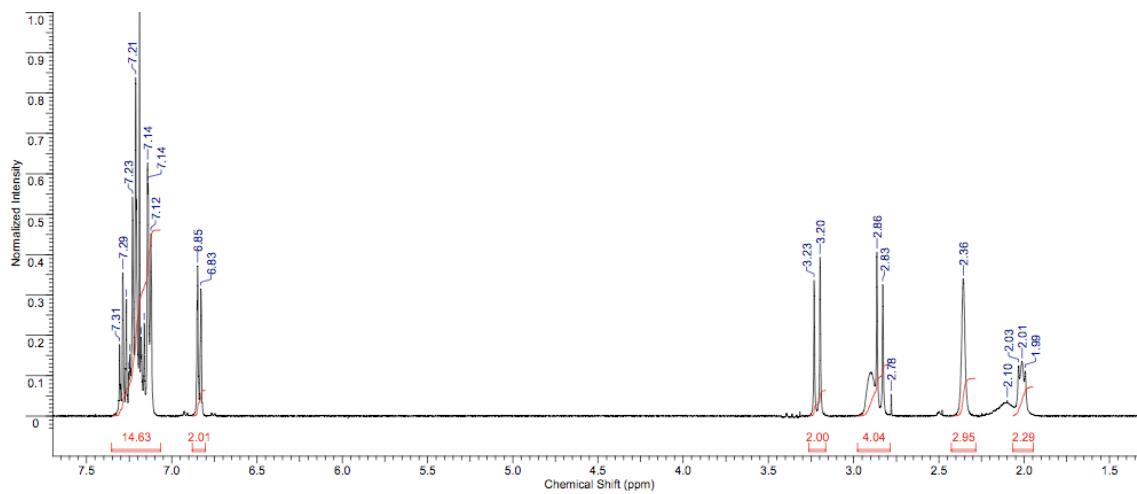


Figure S77. ¹H NMR Spectrum of **3h**·TFA (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

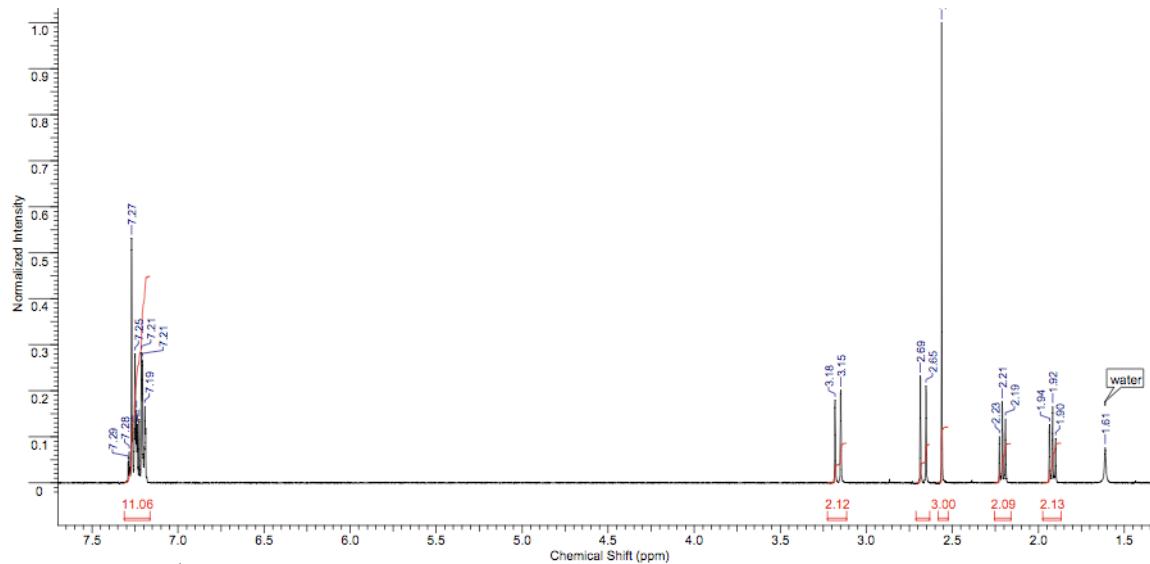
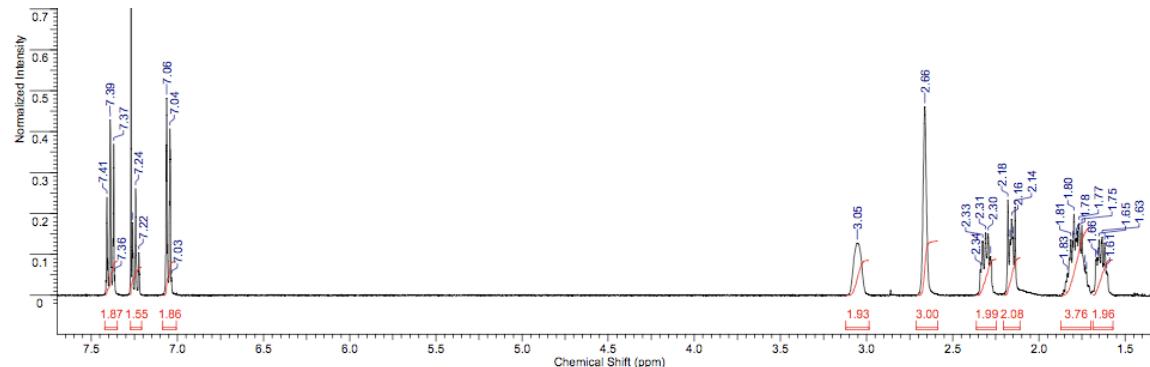


Figure S78. ¹H NMR Spectrum of **18h** (400 MHz, CDCl₃). HRMS calc'd [M]⁺ (C₁₉H₂₁NO): 279.1623. Found: (EI) 279.1623.



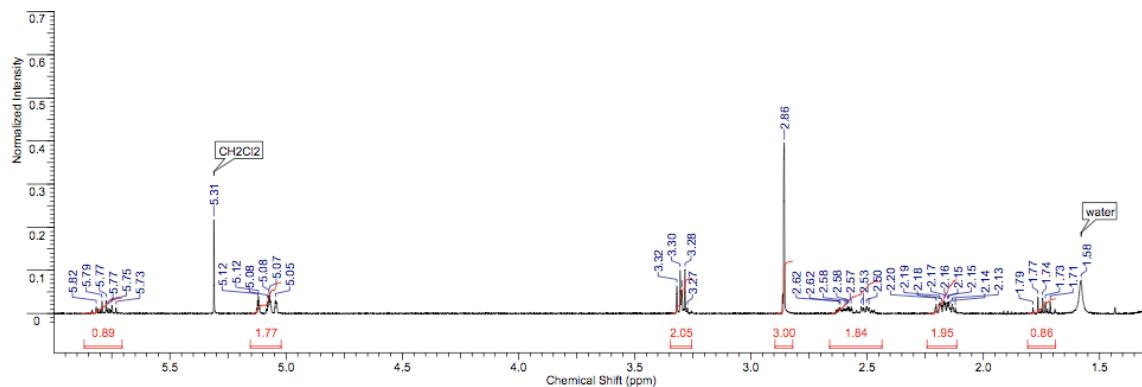


Figure S80. ^1H NMR Spectrum of **18i** (400 MHz, CDCl_3). HRMS calc'd $[\text{M}]^+$ ($\text{C}_9\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}$): 153.1154. Found: (EI) 153.1156.

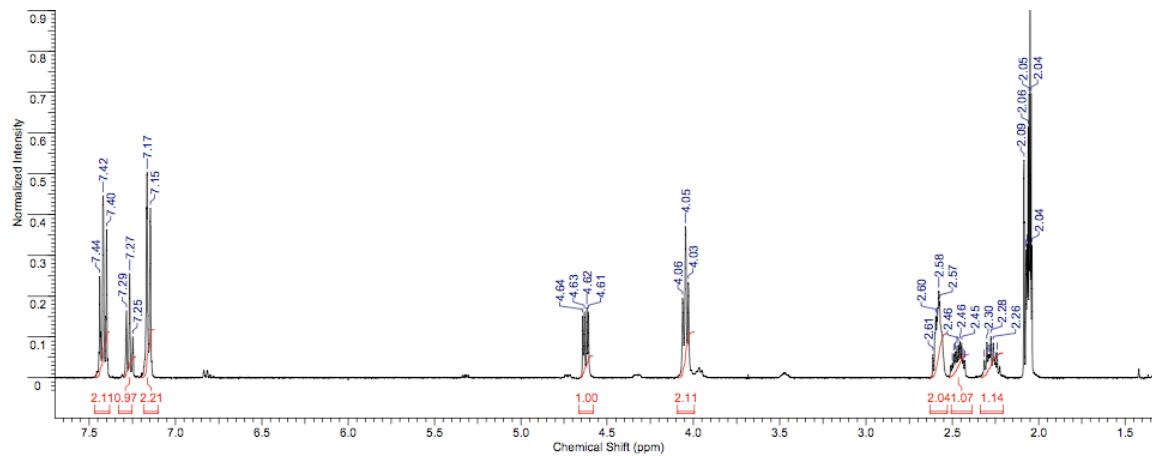


Figure S81. ^1H NMR Spectrum of **3j**·TFA (400 MHz, Acetone- d_6)

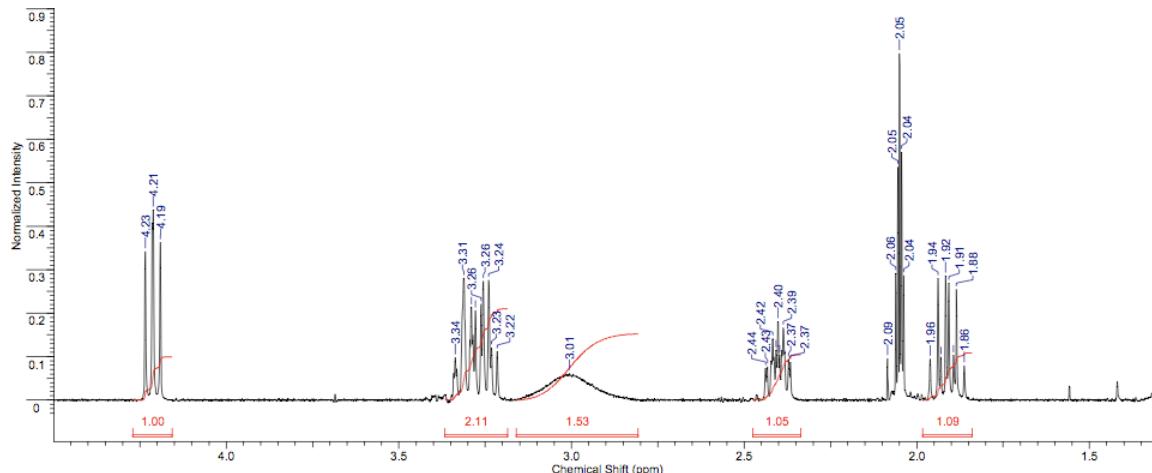


Figure S82. ^1H NMR Spectrum of **18j** (400 MHz, Acetone- d_6). HRMS calc'd [M] $^+$ ($\text{C}_4\text{H}_7\text{NO}_2$): 101.0477. Found: (EI) 101.0479.

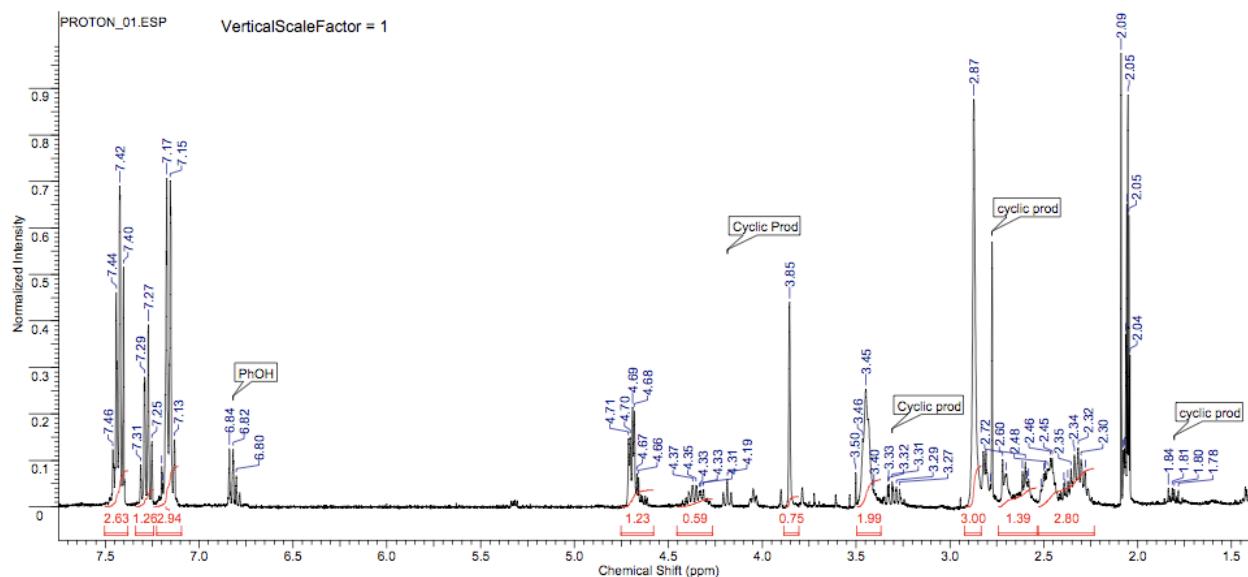


Figure S83. ¹H NMR Spectrum of 3k·TFA (400 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆). Upon addition of H₂O immediately prior to freeze drying, some material cyclized to form **18k** and PhOH.

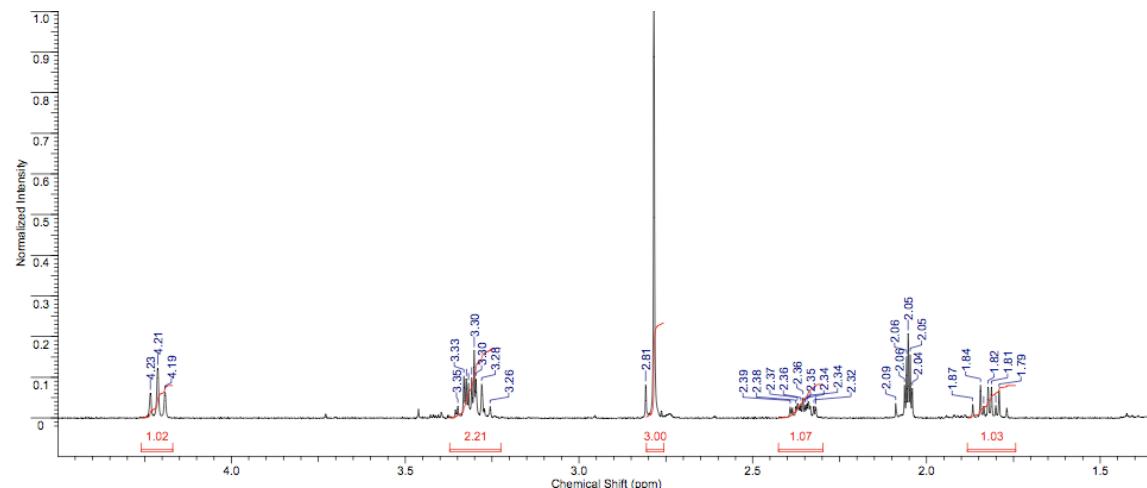


Figure S84. ¹H NMR Spectrum of **18k** (400 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆). HRMS calc'd [M]⁺ (C₅H₉NO₂): 115.0633. Found: (EI) 115.0633.

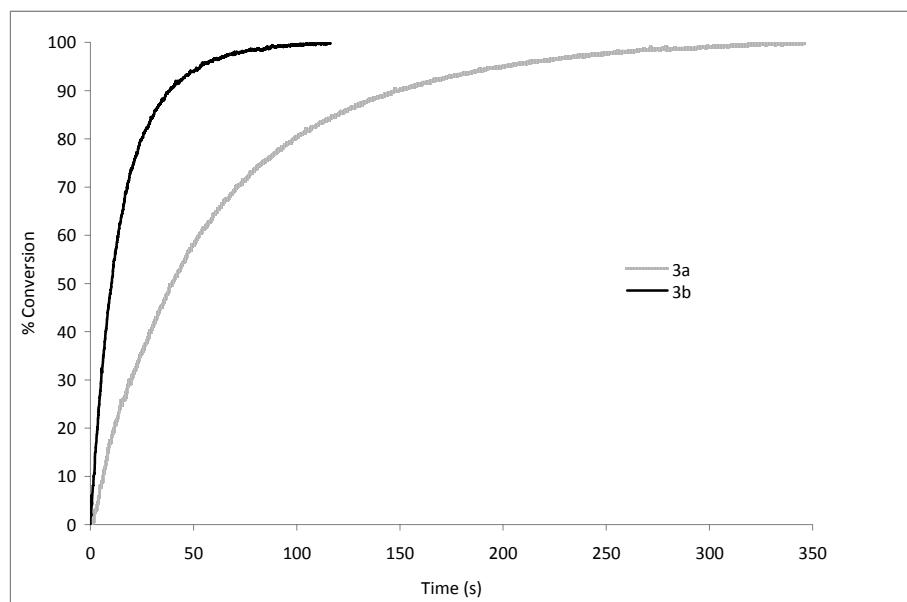


Figure S85. Cyclization kinetics for compounds **3a** and **3b**.

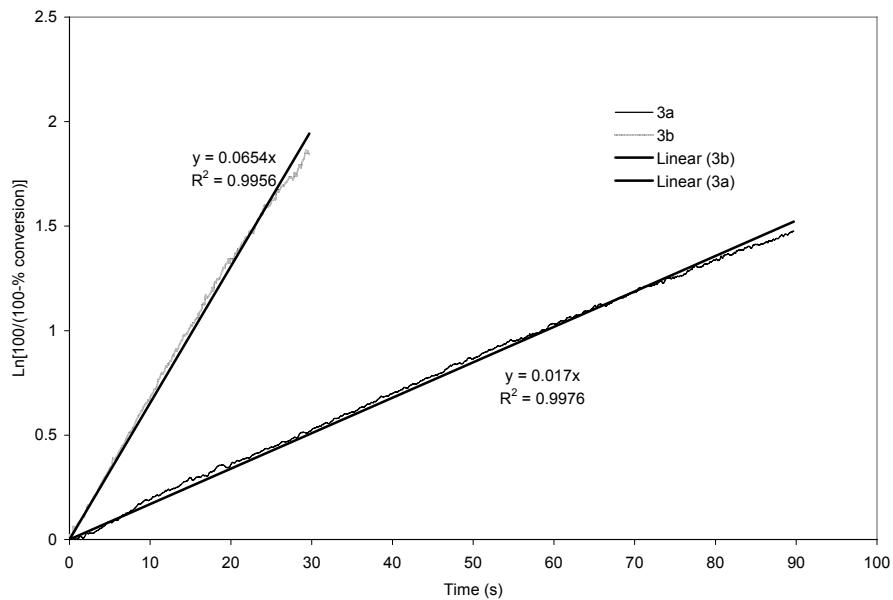


Figure 86. Determination of first order rate constant by $\ln[A]_0/[A]$ vs t graph for compounds **3a** and **3b**.

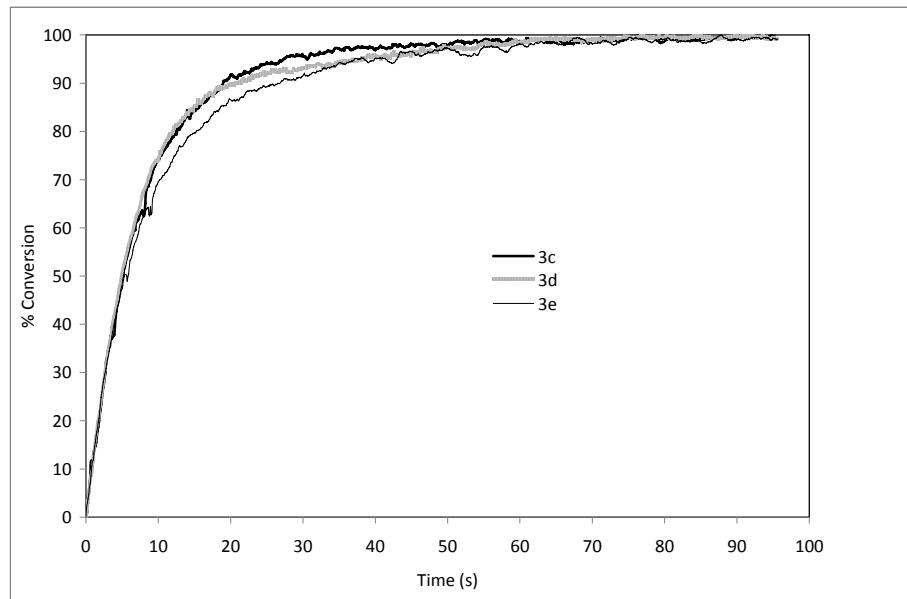


Figure S87. Cyclization kinetics for compounds **3c**, **3d**, and **3e**.

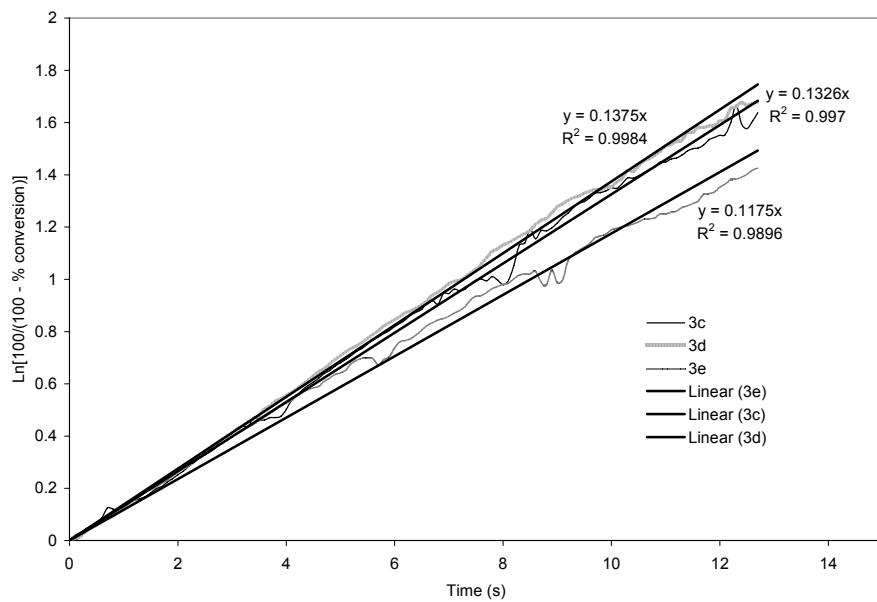


Figure 88. Determination of first order rate constant by $\ln[A]_0/[A]$ vs t graph for compounds **3c**, **3d**, and **3e**.

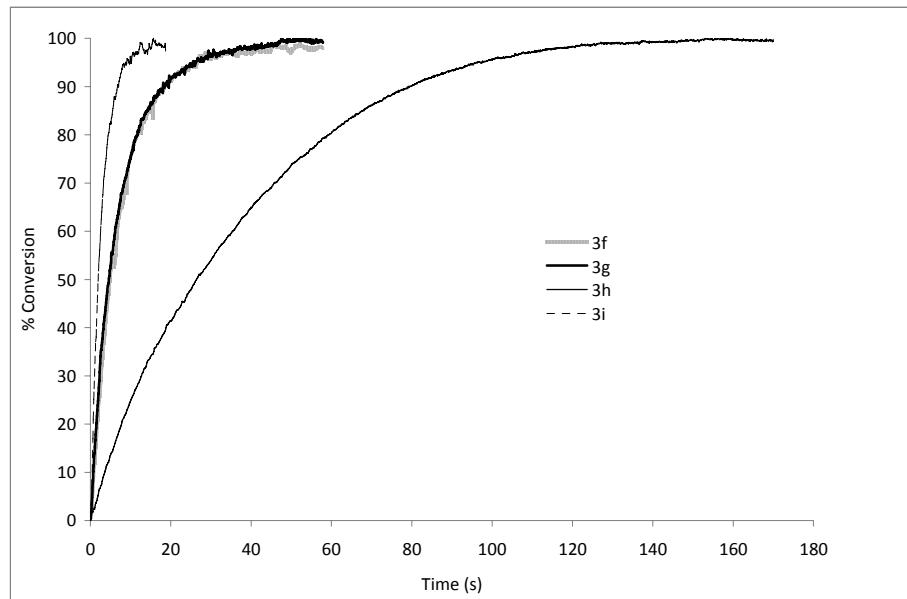


Figure S89. Cyclization kinetics for compounds **3f**, **3g**, **3h**, and **3i**.

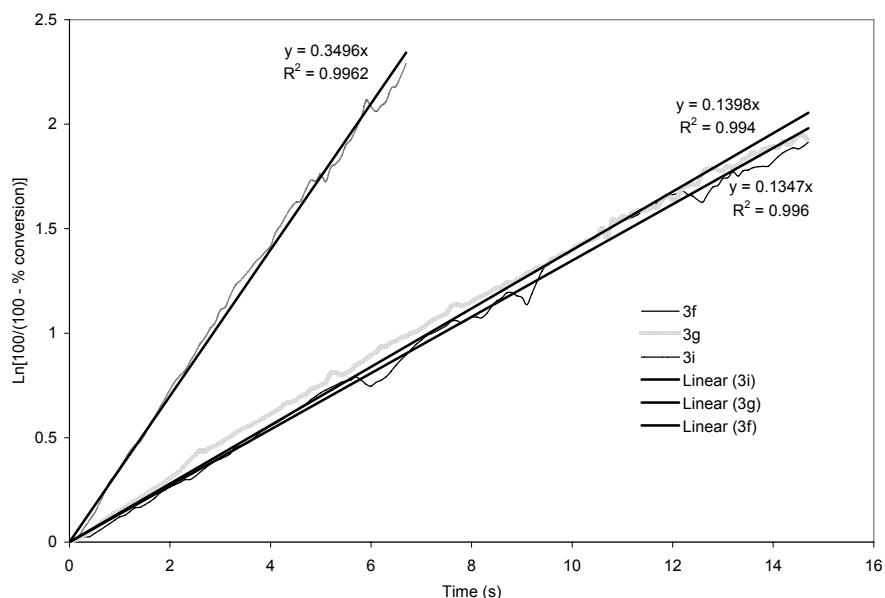


Figure 90. Determination of first order rate constant by $\ln[A]_0/[A]$ vs t graph for compounds **3f**, **3g**, and **3i**.

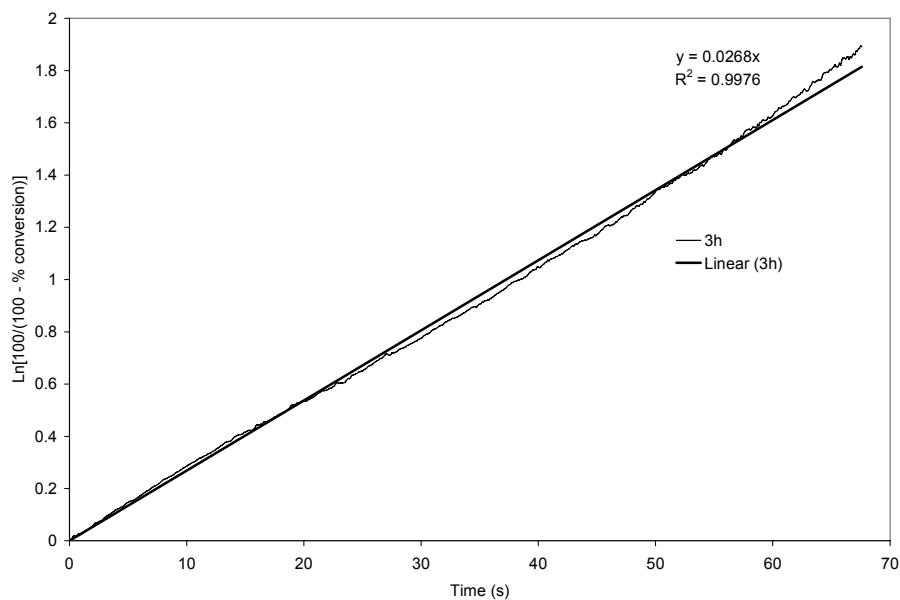


Figure 91. Determination of first order rate constant by $\ln[A]_0/[A]$ vs t graph for compound **3h**.

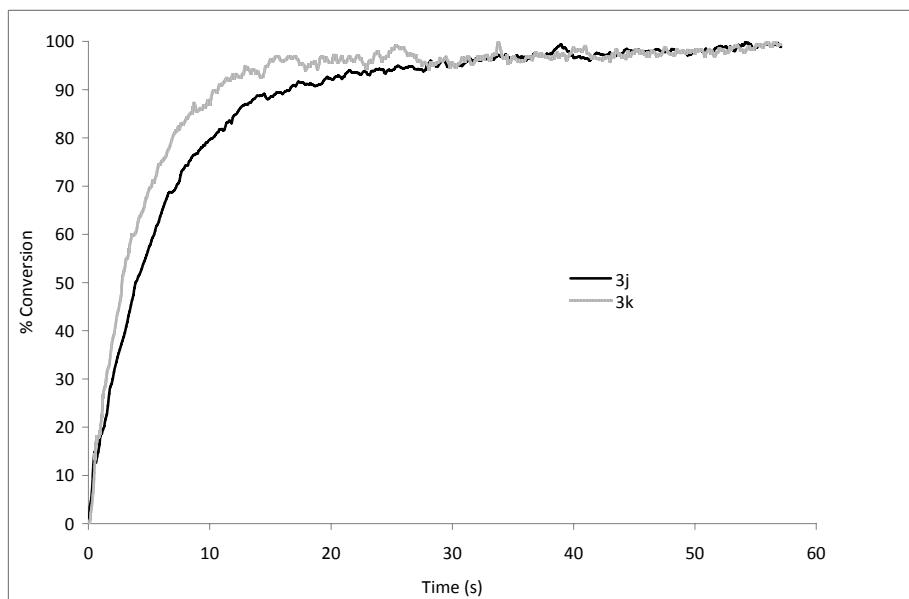


Figure S92. Cyclization kinetics for compounds **3j** and **3k**.

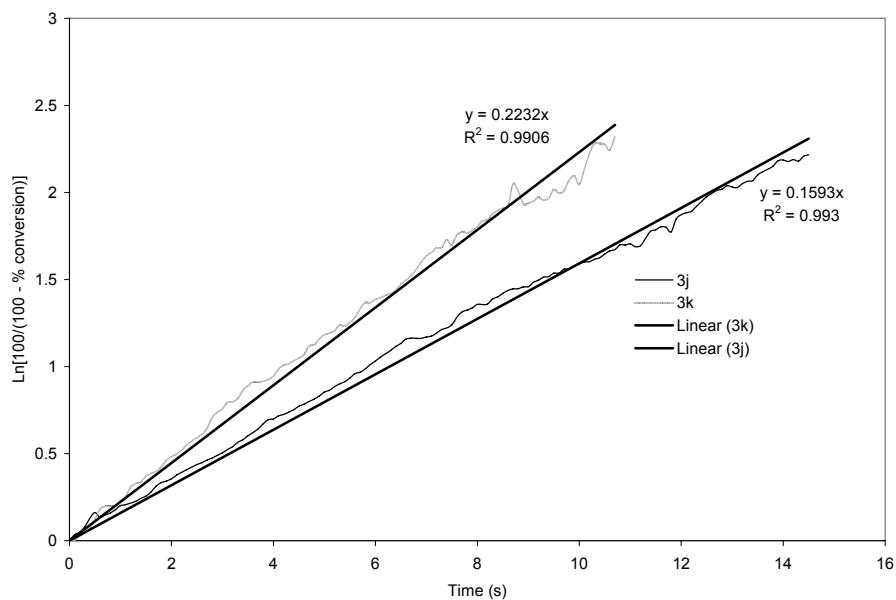


Figure 93. Determination of first order rate constant by $\ln[A]_0/[A]$ vs t graph for compounds **3j** and **3k**.

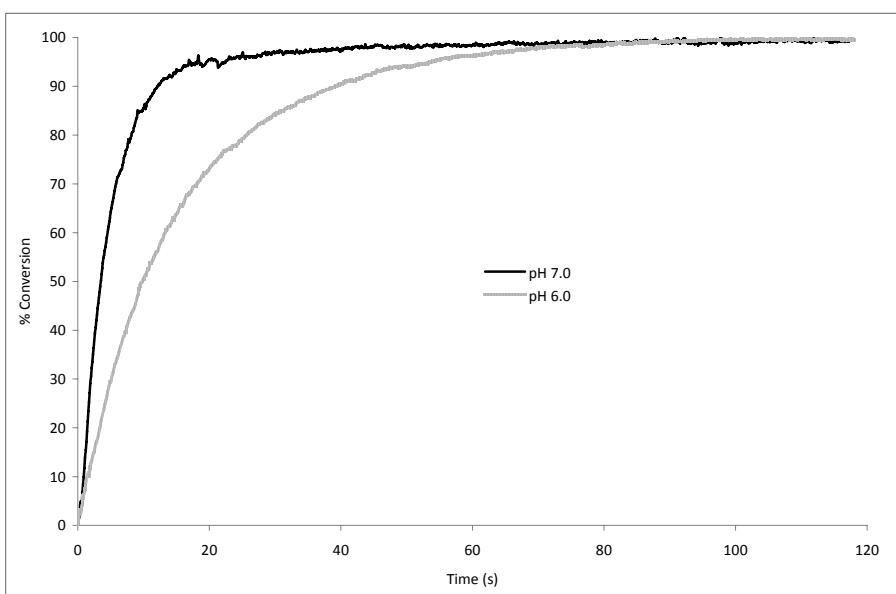


Figure S94. Cyclization rate of **3i** at pH 7.0 and 6.0.

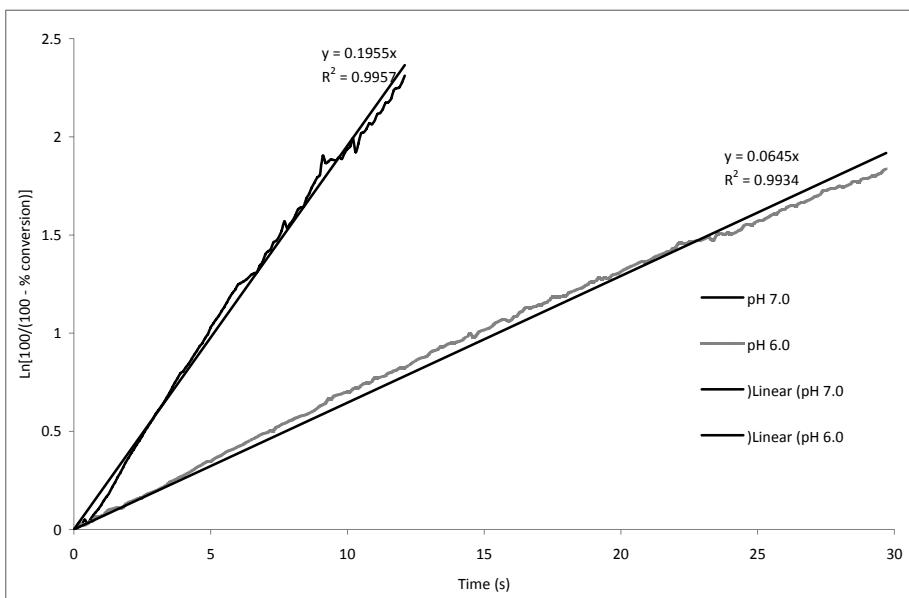


Figure 95. Determination of first order rate constant by $\ln[A]_0/[A]$ vs t graph for compounds **3i** at pH 7.0 and 6.0.

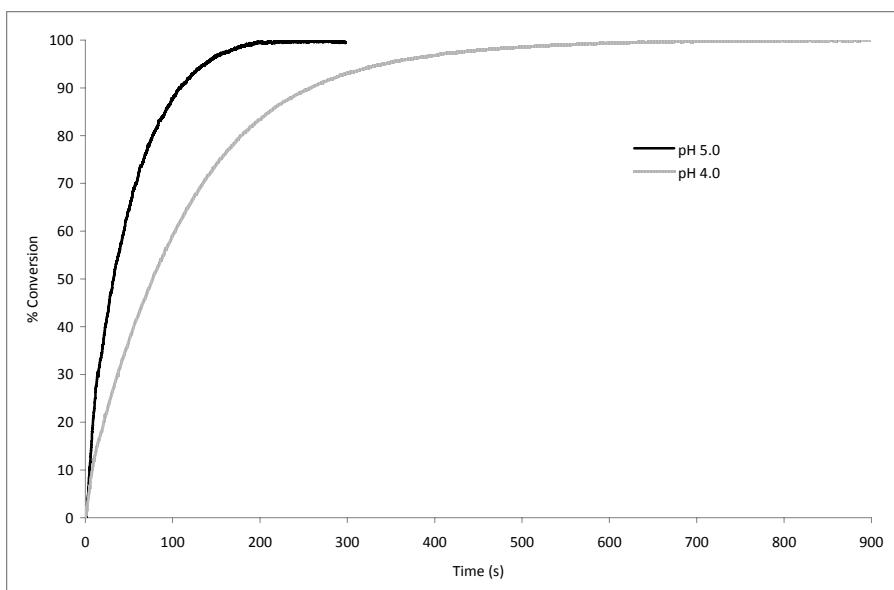


Figure 96. Cyclization of **3i** and pH 5.0 and 4.0.

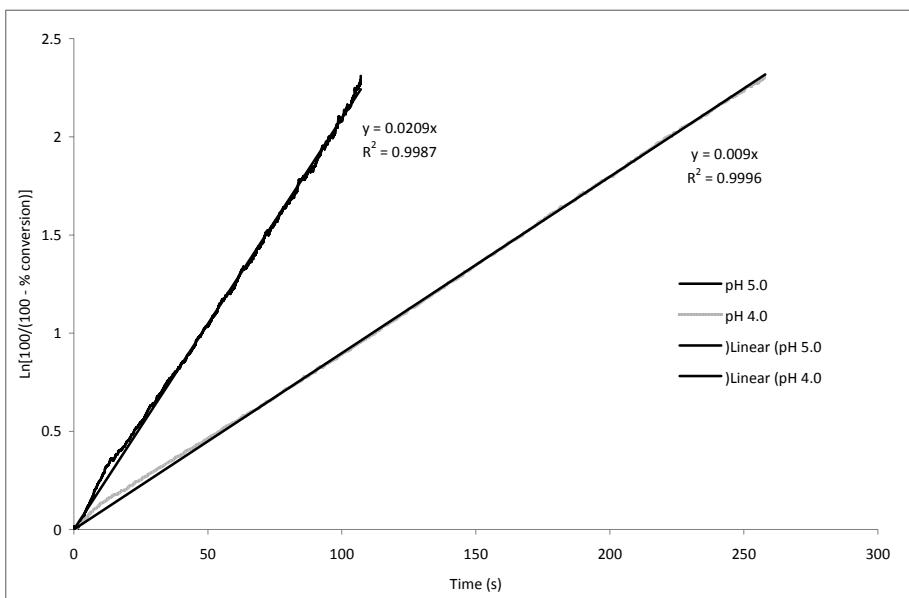


Figure 97. Determination of first order rate constant by $\ln[A]_0/[A]$ vs t graph for compounds **3i** at pH 5.0 and 4.0.

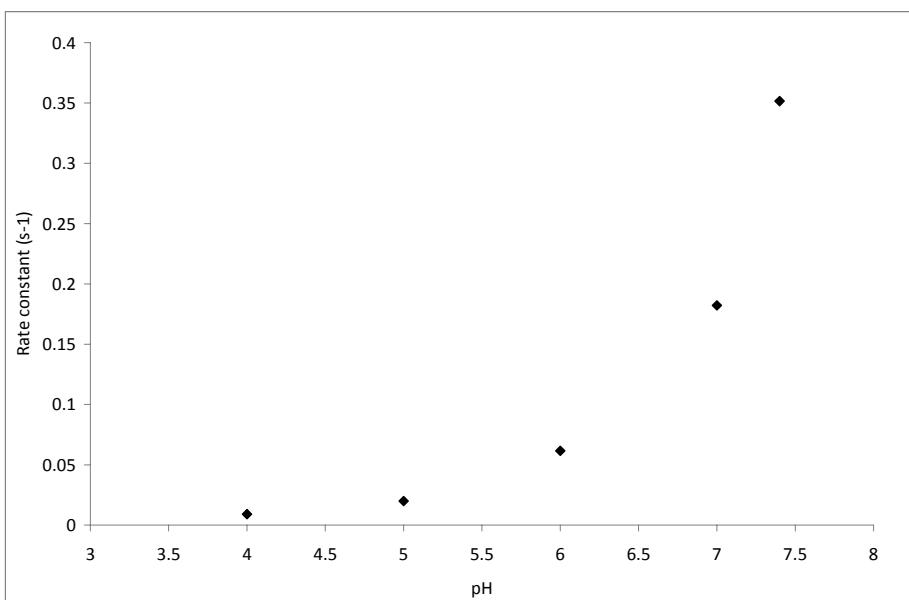


Figure S98. pH dependence of the cyclization rate of **3i**.