

Supplementary Information

Cyclopeptides containing the DEKS motif as conformationally restricted collagen telopeptide analogues: synthesis and conformational analysis

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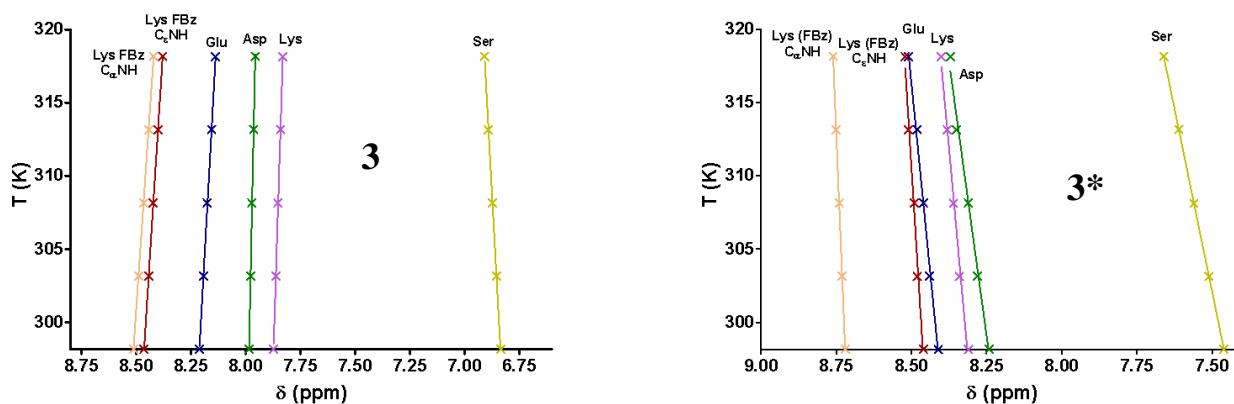
Figure S1.

A. δ_{NH} - and $\Delta\delta/T$ -values and $^3J_{\text{NH,C}_\alpha\text{H}}$ -coupling constants for the amide protons of the cyclohexapeptides **3, **3a**, **8**, **9** and the linear hexapeptide **10** in DMSO or water (marked with *).**

compoun d	δ_{NH} (ppm) ^a / $\Delta\delta/T$ (ppb/K) / $^3J_{\text{NH,C}_\alpha\text{H}}$ (Hz) ^a						
	Lys (FBz) C_αNH	Lys (FBz) $\text{C}_\epsilon\text{NH}$	Asp	Glu	Xaa	Ser	Lys
3 (Xaa=Lys)	8.51/-4.6/8.4	8.46/-4.2/5.6	7.98/-1.4/9.3	8.21/-3.7/3.0	7.87/-2.2/8.6	6.83/3.6/6.0	-
3* (Xaa=Lys)	8.72/2.0/7.4	8.46/3.0/5.8	8.24/6.6/9.1	8.41/4.8/4.0	8.31/4.4/7.5	7.46/10.0/6.5	-
3a* (Xaa=Lys)	-	-	8.27/6.9/9.1	8.44/4.0/4.0	8.31/4.0/7.4	7.45/9.0/6.7	8.77/2.4/7.5
8 (Xaa=Hnl)	8.52/-4.6/8.2	8.46/-4.0/5.4	7.97/-1.4/9.4	8.17/-3.6/2.6	7.82/-2.6/8.4	6.79/3.4/6.1	-
9 (Xaa=Aly)	8.51/-5.0/8.2	8.46/-5.0/5.4	7.97/-1.6/9.3	8.19/-4.0/2.5	7.86/-2.6/8.8	6.83/4.0/6.2	-
10 (Xaa=Lys)	8.09/-4.3/6.9	8.46/-4.7/5.5	8.29/-5.2/7.7	7.65/-2.0/8.1	7.85/-4.7/7.8	8.20/-6.0/6.8	-

^a at 298 K.

B. Temperature dependence of chemical shifts for the amide protons of **3, **3a**, **8**, **9** and **10** in DMSO or water (marked with *).**



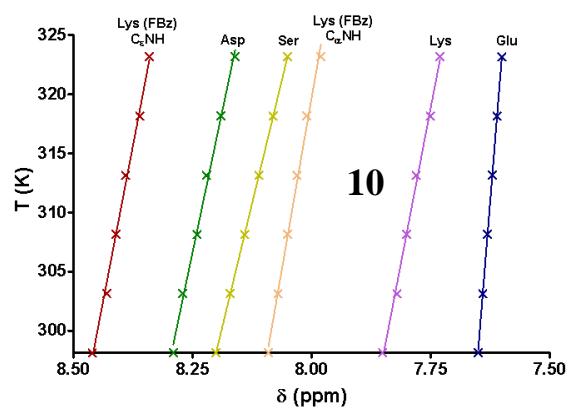
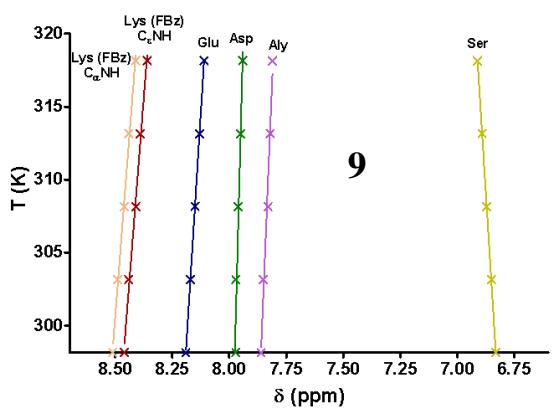
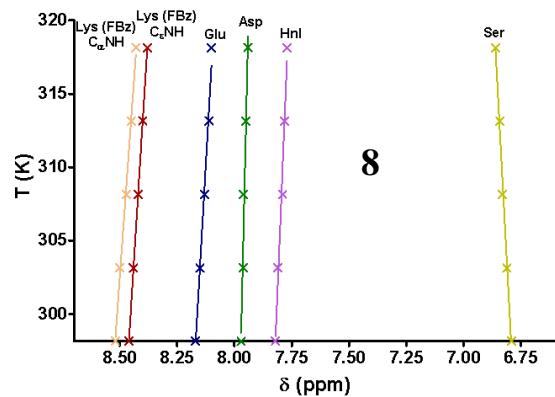
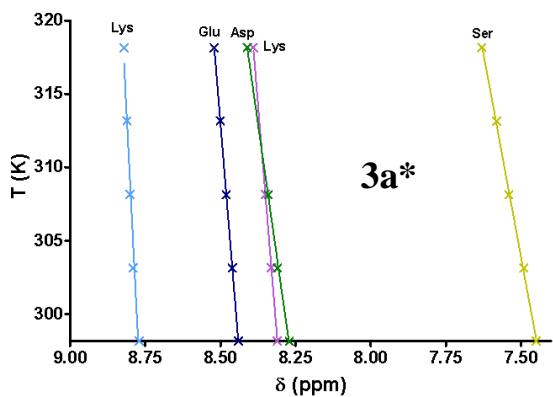


Figure S2.

Left: summary of $\Delta\delta/T$ amide NH temperature coefficients (> -2 ppb/K shown by ●), $^3J_{\text{NHCH}_\alpha}$ coupling constants (> 8 Hz represented by ↑ and < 6 Hz shown by ↓) and ROEs correlations summary in DMSO at 298 K; **right:** 20-lowest energy structures of 8 (top) and 9 (bottom). Grey bars indicate protons not stereospecifically assigned. For clarity only the side chain of pro is shown.

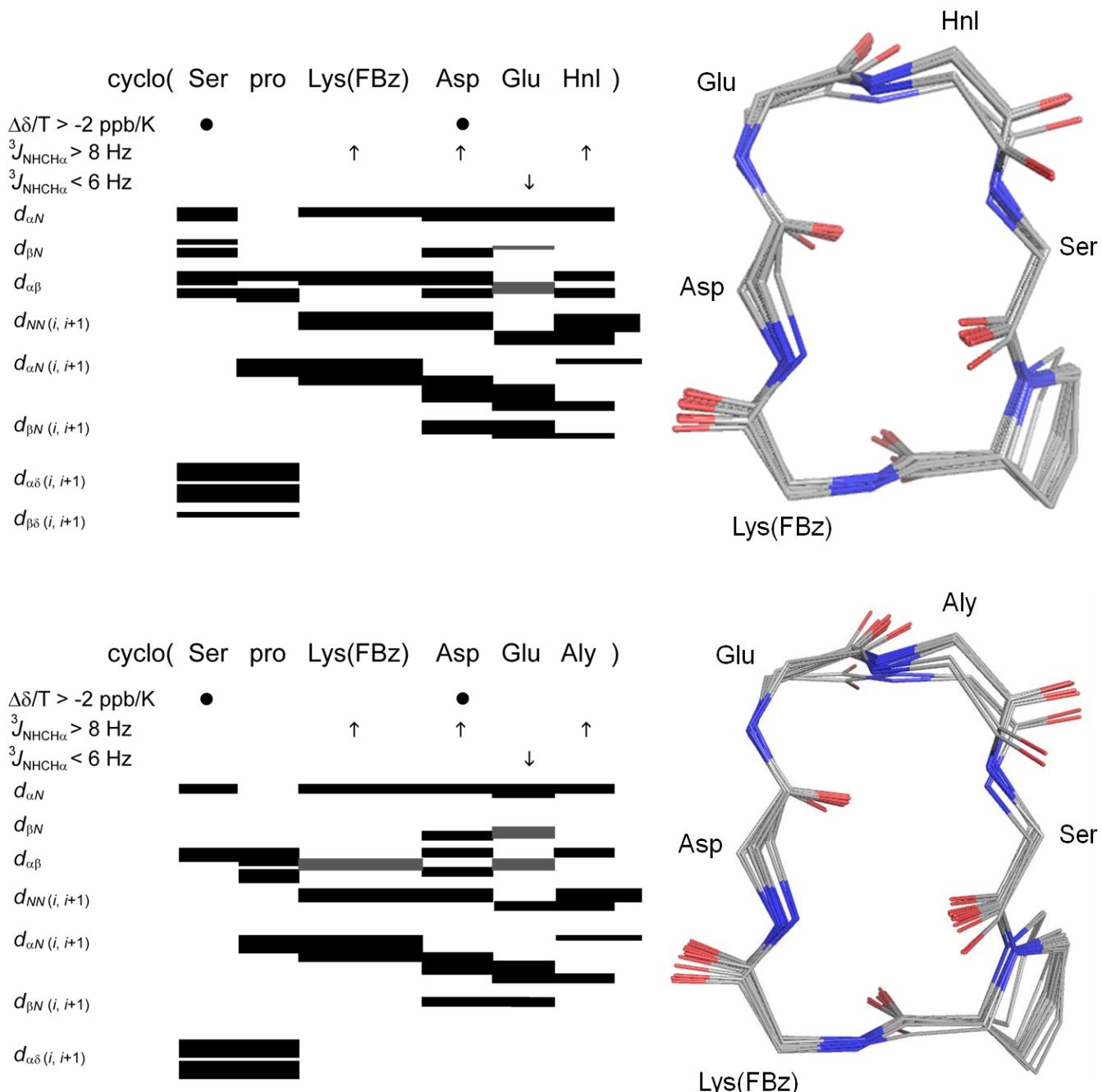


Table S1.**Distance restraints used in the structure calculation of compound 3**

A. ROE derived distance restraints used for calculating the solution structure of compound **3** cyclo(Ser-D-Pro-Lys(FBz)-Asp-Glu-Lys) in DMSO-d₆ at 298 K.

Atom A	Atom B	Upper distance restraint (Å) and comment
Ser1 H α	Ser1 HN	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Ser1 H α	Ser1 H β 1	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium
Ser1 H α	Ser1 H β 2	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Ser1 H β 1	Ser1 HN	$\leq 6.0 \text{ \AA}$, very weak
Ser1 H β 2	Ser1 HN	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Ser1 H α	D-Pro2 HD1	$\leq 2.7 \text{ \AA}$, strong
Ser1 H α	D-Pro2 HD2	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium
Ser1 H β 1	D-Pro2 HD1	$\leq 6.0 \text{ \AA}$, very weak
Ser1 HN	Asp4 HN	$\leq 6.0 \text{ \AA}$, very weak
D-Pro2 H α	Lys(FBz)3 HN	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium
D-Pro2 H α	Lys(FBz)3 H ^{ortho*}	$\leq 6.0 \text{ \AA}$, very weak (+ 0.5 Å correction)
Lys(FBz)3 H α	Lys(FBz)3 HN	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Lys(FBz)3 HE*	Lys(FBz)3 HZ	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium (+ 1 Å correction)
Lys(FBz)3 HZ	Lys(FBz)3 H ^{ortho*}	$\leq 2.7 \text{ \AA}$, strong (+ 1 Å correction)
Lys(FBz)3 H α	Asp4 HN	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Lys(FBz)3 HN	Asp4 HN	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium
Asp4 H α	Asp4 HN	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Asp4 H β 2	Asp4 HN	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Asp4 H α	Asp4 H β 1	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Asp4 H α	Asp4 H β 2	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Asp4 H α	Glu5 HN	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium
Asp4 H β 1	Glu5 HN	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium
Glu5 H α	Glu5 HN	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium
Glu5 H α	Glu5 H β 1	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium
Glu5 H α	Glu5 H β 2	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium
Glu5 H α	Glu5 HG*	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium (+ 1 Å correction)

Glu5 H β 1	Glu5 HN	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Glu5 H β 2	Glu5 HN	$\leq 6.0 \text{ \AA}$, very weak
Glu5 HG*	Glu5 HN	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak (+ 1 \AA correction)
Glu5 H α	Lys6 HN	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Glu5 HN	Lys6 HN	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium
Glu5 H β 1	Lys6 HN	$\leq 6.0 \text{ \AA}$, very weak
Lys6 H α	Lys6 HN	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Lys6 H β 1	Lys6 HN	$\leq 6.0 \text{ \AA}$, very weak
Lys6 H β 2	Lys6 HN	$\leq 6.0 \text{ \AA}$, very weak
Lys6 H α	Ser1 HN	$\leq 6.0 \text{ \AA}$, very weak
Lys6 HN	Ser1 HN	$\leq 2.7 \text{ \AA}$, strong

*Represents protons not stereospecifically assigned. Their distance restraints have been adjusted with standard pseudoatom corrections. (K. Wüthrich, M. Billeter and W. Braun, *J. Mol. Biol.*, 1983, **169**, 949-961.)

B. ϕ angle restraints (\AA) used for calculating the solution structure of compound **3** cyclo(Ser-D-Pro-Lys(FBz)-Asp-Glu-Lys) in DMSO-d₆ at 298 K.

Residue	$^3J_{\text{NHCH}\alpha} (\text{Hz})$	ϕ restraints
Ser	6.0	
D-Pro	-	
Lys(FBz)	8.4	$-120^\circ \pm 30$
Asp	9.3	$-120^\circ \pm 30$
Glu	3.0	$-65^\circ \pm 30$
Lys	8.6	$-120^\circ \pm 30$

C. H-bonds distance restraints (\AA) used for calculating the solution structure of compound **3** cyclo(Ser-D-Pro-Lys(FBz)-Asp-Glu-Lys) in DMSO-d₆ at 298 K.

Carbonyl group	Amide NH group	Distance	Lower bound	Upper bound
Ser1-CO	Asp4-NH	1.88	0.30	0.32
Ser1-CO	Asp4-N	2.88	0.30	0.32
Asp4-CO	Ser1-NH	1.88	0.30	0.32
Asp4-CO	Ser1-N	2.88	0.30	0.32

Table S2.**Distance restraints used in the structure calculation of compound 8**

A. ROE derived distance restraints used for calculating the solution structure of compound **8** in cyclo(Ser-d-Pro-Lys(FBz)-Asp-Glu-Hnl) in DMSO-d₆ at 298 K.

Atom A	Atom B	Upper distance restraint (Å) and comment
Ser1 H α	Ser1 HN	≤ 3.5 Å, medium
Ser1 H α	Ser1 H β 1	≤ 3.5 Å, medium
Ser1 H α	Ser1 H β 2	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Ser1 H β 1	Ser1 HN	≤ 6.0 Å, very weak
Ser1 H β 2	Ser1 HN	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Ser1 H α	D-Pro2 HD1	≤ 2.7 Å, strong
Ser1 H α	D-Pro2 HD2	≤ 2.7 Å, strong
D-Pro2 H α	D-Pro2 H β 1	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
D-Pro2 H α	D-Pro2 H β 2	≤ 3.5 Å, medium
D-Pro2 H α	Lys(FBz)3 HN	≤ 3.5 Å, medium
Lys(FBz)3 H α	Lys(FBz)3 HN	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Lys(FBz)3 H α	Lys(FBz)3 H β 1	≤ 3.5 Å, medium
Lys(FBz)3 HE*	Lys(FBz)3 HZ	≤ 3.5 Å, medium (+ 1 Å correction)
Lys(FBz)3 HZ	Lys(FBz)3 H ^{ortho} *	≤ 2.7 Å, strong (+ 1 Å correction)
Lys(FBz)3 H α	Asp4 HN	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Lys(FBz)3 HN	Asp4 HN	≤ 2.7 Å, strong
Asp4 H α	Asp4 HN	≤ 3.5 Å, medium
Asp4 H β 2	Asp4 HN	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Asp4 H α	Asp4 H β 1	≤ 3.5 Å, medium
Asp4 H α	Asp4 H β 2	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Asp4 H α	Glu5 HN	≤ 2.7 Å, strong
Asp4 H β 1	Glu5 HN	≤ 3.5 Å, medium
Glu5 H α	Glu5 HN	≤ 3.5 Å, medium
Glu5 H α	Glu5 H β *	≤ 3.5 Å, medium (+ 1 Å correction)
Glu5 H α	Glu5 HG*	≤ 3.5 Å, medium (+ 1 Å correction)
Glu5 H β *	Glu5 HN	≤ 6.0 Å, very weak (no correction)

Glu5 HG*	Glu5 HN	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak (+ 1 \AA correction)
Glu5 H α	Hnl6 HN	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Glu5 HN	Hnl6 HN	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium
Hnl6 H α	Hnl6 HN	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium
Hnl6 H α	Hnl6 H β 1	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Hnl6 H α	Hnl6 H β 2	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Hnl6 H α	Ser1 HN	$\leq 6.0 \text{ \AA}$, very weak
Hnl6 HN	Ser1 HN	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium

*Represents protons not stereospecifically assigned. Their distance restraints have been adjusted with standard pseudoatom corrections. (K. Wüthrich, M. Billeter and W. Braun, *J. Mol. Biol.*, 1983, **169**, 949-961.)

B. ϕ angle restraints (\AA) used for calculating the solution structure of compound **8** in cyclo(Ser- D-Pro-Lys(FBz)-Asp-Glu-Hnl) in DMSO-d₆ at 298 K.

Residue	$^3J_{\text{NHCH}\alpha} (\text{Hz})$	ϕ restraints
Ser	6.1	
D-Pro	-	
Lys(FBz)	8.2	$-120^\circ \pm 30$
Asp	9.4	$-120^\circ \pm 30$
Glu	2.6	$-65^\circ \pm 30$
Hnl	8.4	$-120^\circ \pm 30$

C. H-bonds distance restraints (\AA) used for calculating the solution structure of compound **8** in cyclo(Ser- D-Pro-Lys(FBz)-Asp-Glu-Hnl) in DMSO-d₆ at 298 K.

Carbonyl group	Amide NH group	Distance	Lower bound	Upper bound
Ser1-CO	Asp4-NH	1.88	0.30	0.32
Ser1-CO	Asp4-N	2.88	0.30	0.32
Asp4-CO	Ser1-NH	1.88	0.30	0.60
Asp4-CO	Ser1-N	2.88	0.30	0.48

Table S3.**Distance restraints used in the structure calculation of compound 9**

A. ROE derived distance restraints used for calculating the solution structure of compound **9** in cyclo(Ser-D-Pro-Lys(FBz)-Asp-Glu-Aly) in DMSO-d₆ at 298 K.

Atom A	Atom B	Upper distance restraint (Å) and comment
Ser1 H α	Ser1 HN	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Ser1 H α	Ser1 H β 1	≤ 3.5 Å, medium
Ser1 H α	D-Pro2 HD1	≤ 2.7 Å, strong
Ser1 H α	D-Pro2 HD2	≤ 2.7 Å, strong
D-Pro2 H α	D-Pro2 H β 1	≤ 2.7 Å, strong
D-Pro2 H α	D-Pro2 H β 2	≤ 3.5 Å, medium
D-Pro2 H α	Lys(FBz)3 HN	≤ 2.7 Å, strong
Lys(FBz)3 H α	Lys(FBz)3 HN	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Lys(FBz)3 H α	Lys(FBz)3 H β * [*]	≤ 3.5 Å, medium (+ 1 Å correction)
Lys(FBz)3 HE*	Lys(FBz)3 HZ	≤ 3.5 Å, medium (+ 1 Å correction)
Lys(FBz)3 HZ	Lys(FBz)3 H ^{ortho} *	≤ 2.7 Å, strong (+ 1 Å correction)
Lys(FBz)3 H α	Asp4 HN	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Lys(FBz)3 HN	Asp4 HN	≤ 3.5 Å, medium
Asp4 H α	Asp4 HN	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Asp4 H β 2	Asp4 HN	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Asp4 H α	Asp4 H β 1	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Asp4 H α	Asp4 H β 2	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Asp4 H α	Glu5 HN	≤ 3.5 Å, medium
Asp4 H β 1	Glu5 HN	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Glu5 H α	Glu5 HN	≤ 3.5 Å, medium
Glu5 H α	Glu5 H β * [*]	≤ 3.5 Å, medium (+ 1 Å correction)
Glu5 H β * [*]	Glu5 HN	≤ 3.5 Å, medium (+ 1 Å correction)
Glu5 HG*	Glu5 HN	≤ 5.0 Å, weak (+ 1 Å correction)
Glu5 H α	Aly6 HN	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Glu5 HN	Aly6 HN	≤ 5.0 Å, weak
Aly6 H α	Aly6 HN	≤ 5.0 Å, weak

Aly6 H α	Aly6 H β 1	$\leq 5.0 \text{ \AA}$, weak
Aly6 H α	Ser1 HN	$\leq 6.0 \text{ \AA}$, very weak
Aly6 HN	Ser1 HN	$\leq 3.5 \text{ \AA}$, medium

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B. ϕ angle restraints (\AA) used for calculating the solution structure compound **9** in cyclo(Ser- D-Pro-Lys(FBz)-Asp-Glu-Aly) in DMSO-d₆ at 298 K.

Residue	$^3J_{\text{NHCH}\alpha}$ (Hz)	ϕ restraints
Ser	6.2	
D-Pro	-	
Lys(FBz)	8.2	$-120^\circ \pm 30$
Asp	9.3	$-120^\circ \pm 30$
Glu	2.5	$-65^\circ \pm 30$
Aly	8.8	$-120^\circ \pm 30$

C. H-bonds distance restraints (\AA) used for calculating the solution structure of compound **9** in cyclo(Ser- D-Pro-Lys(FBz)-Asp-Glu-Aly) in DMSO-d₆ at 298 K.

Carbonyl group	Amine group	Distance	Lower bound	Upper bound
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Figure S3.

2D ROESY spectrum for the amide region of cyclohexapeptide 3 in water. The highlighted cross peaks indicate the observed $d_{NN}(i,i+1)$ correlations.

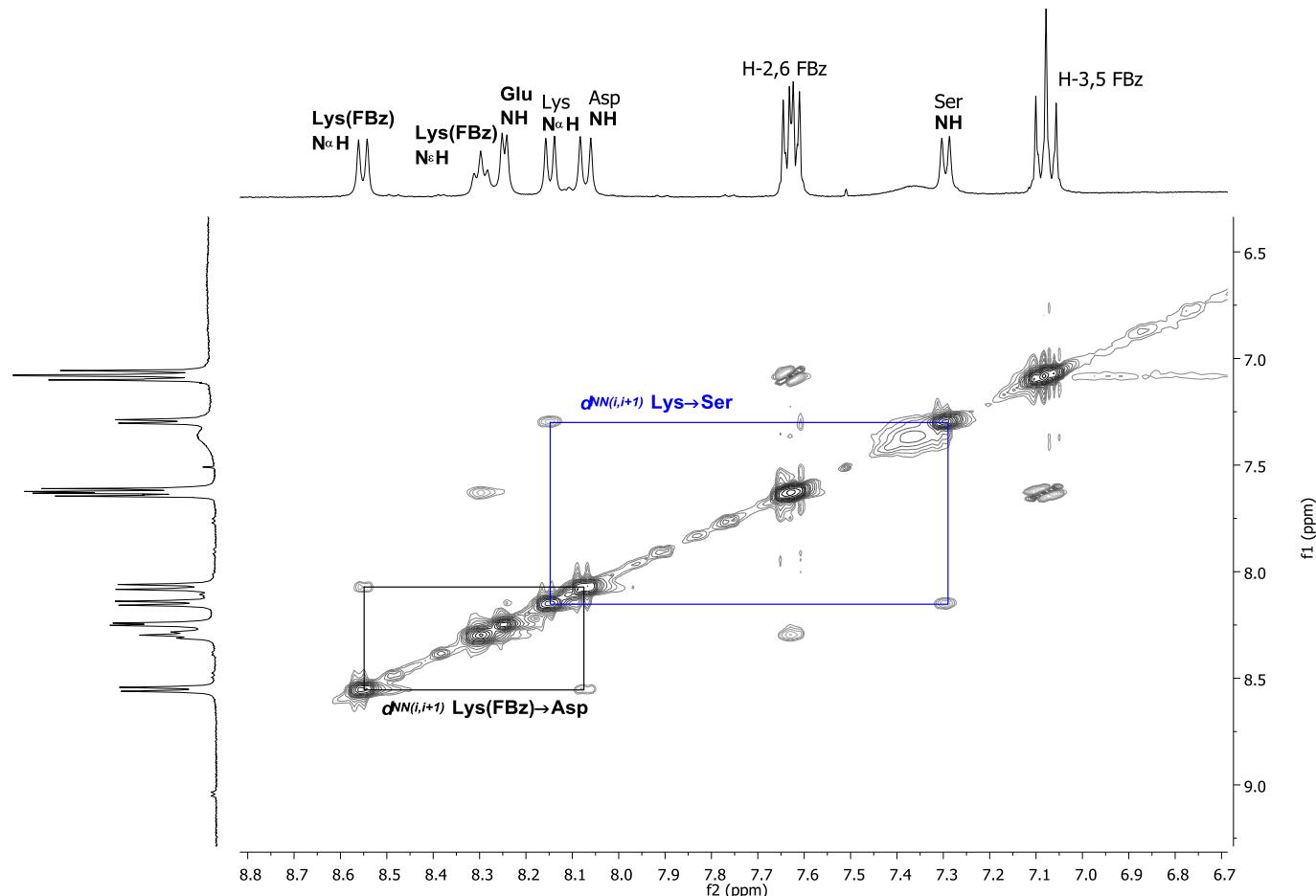


Figure S4.

Comparison of ECD spectra of **3, **8** and **10** at varying concentrations.** Similar shapes and molar ellipticities at different concentrations indicate no aggregation in solution. Compound **9** was only measured at a concentration of 0.125 mg/mL in order to reduce substance consumption.

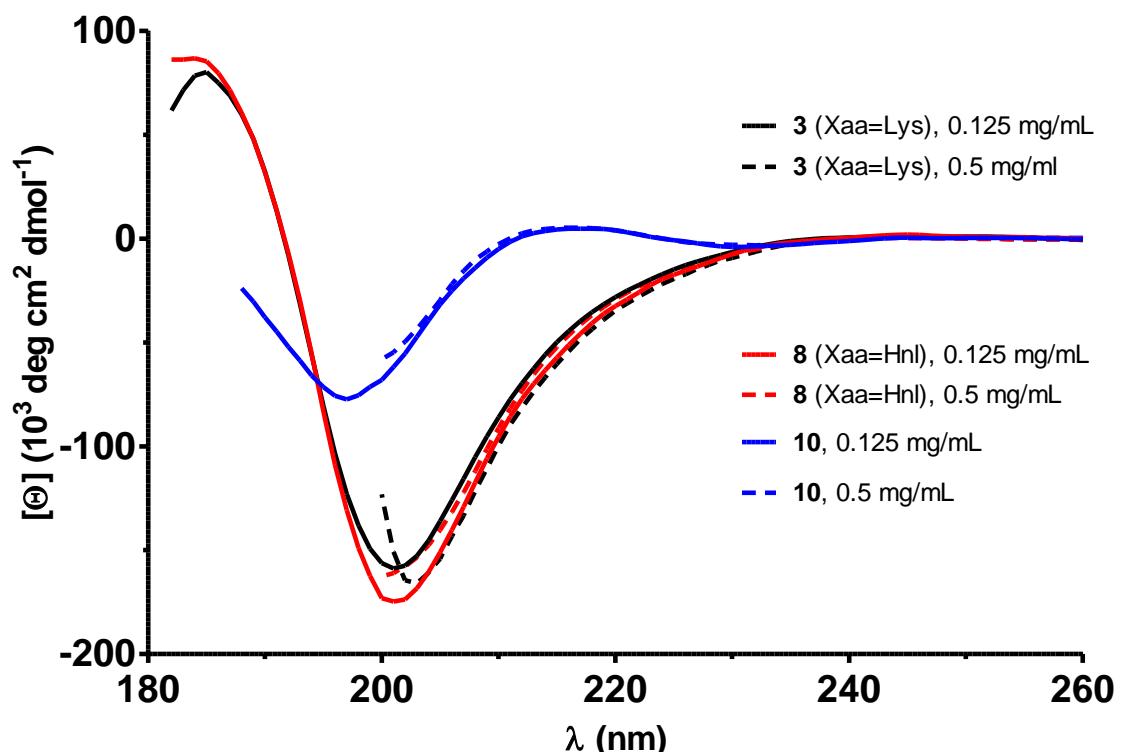
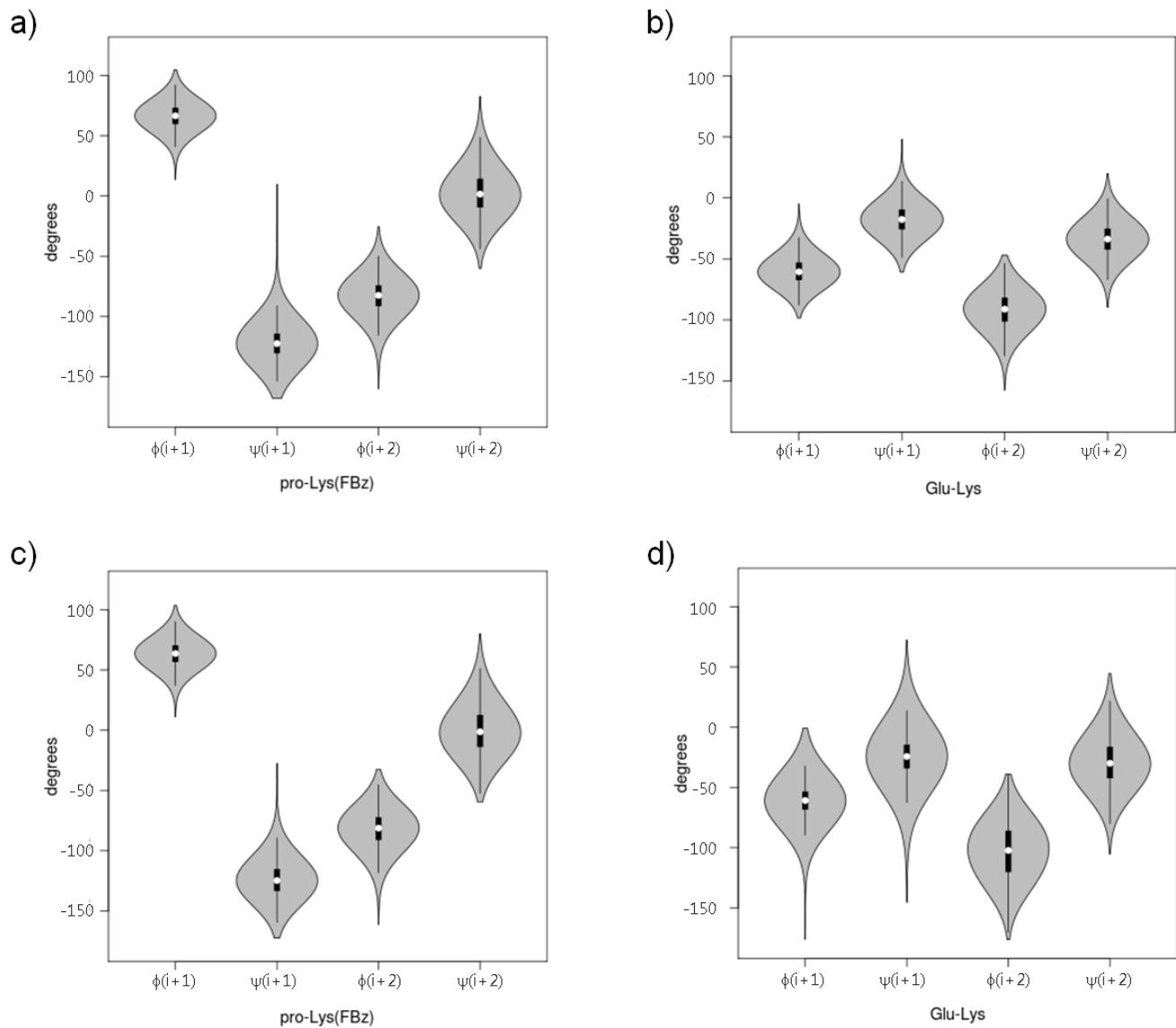


Figure S5.

Violin plot representation of Phi (ϕ) and Psi (ψ) dihedral angles of cyclo(Ser-pro-Lys(FBz)-Asp-Glu-Xaa) involved in β -turns around pro (D-Pro) and Lys(FBz), and Glu and Xaa, extracted from four 100 ns MD simulations. Xaa = Lys (3): a) and b) in DMSO, c) and d) in water; Xaa = Aly (9): e) and f) in DMSO, g) and h) in water.



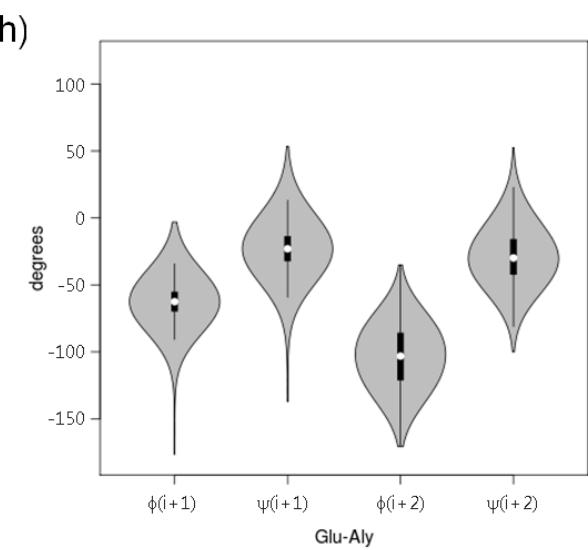
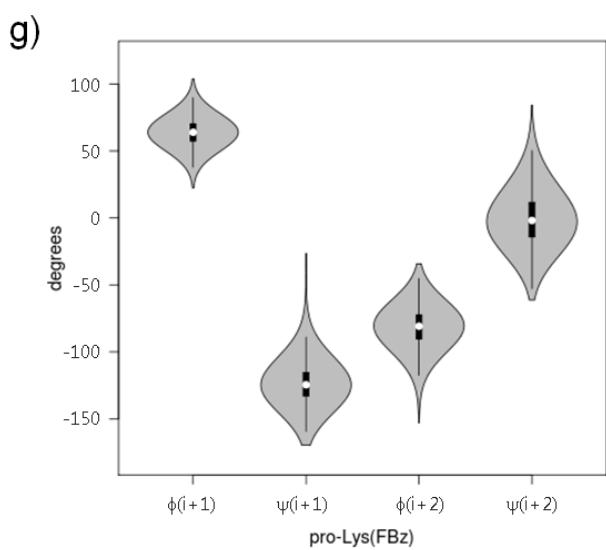
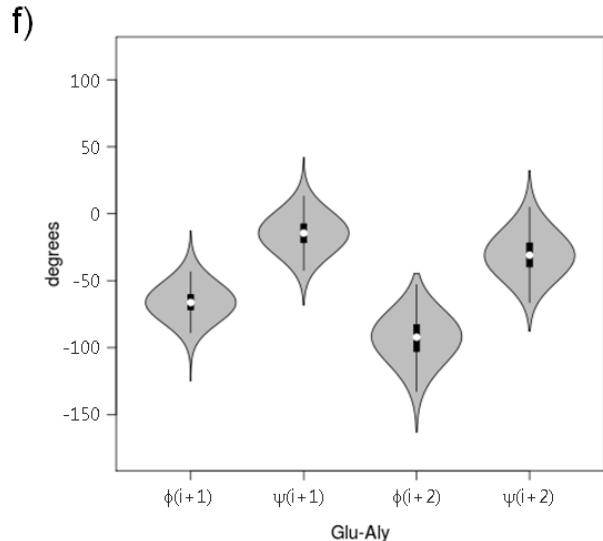
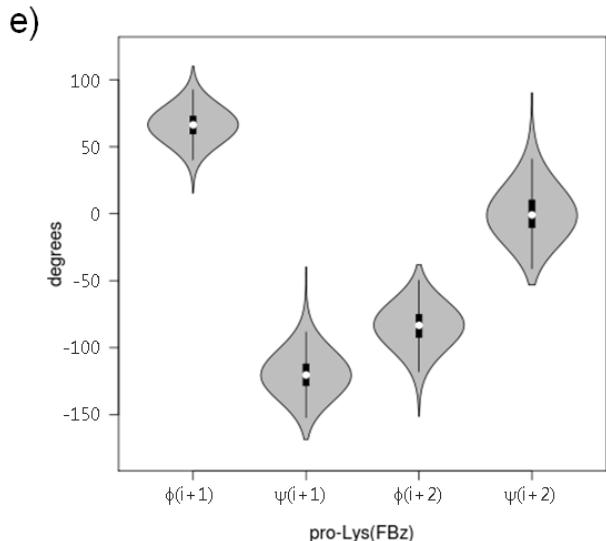
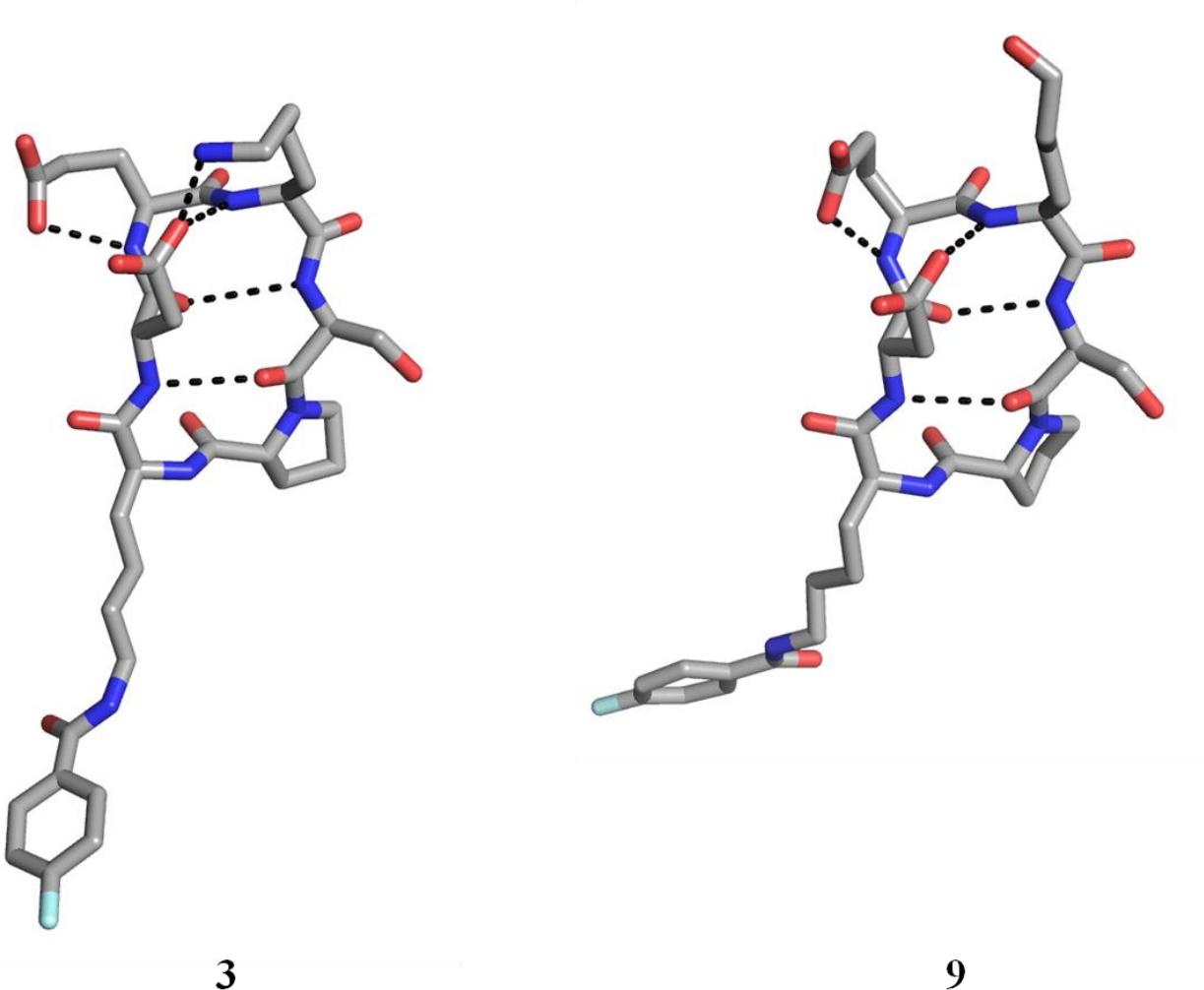


Figure S6.

Representative structures of the cyclohexapeptides 3 and 9 from the clusters obtained using the means algorithm* along 100 ns MD simulations in DMSO. Dashed black lines stand for hydrogen bond contacts.



*J. Shao, S. W. Tanner, N. Thompson and T. E. Cheatham, III. *J. Chem. Theory Comput.* 2007, **3**, 2312-2334.

Figure S7.

B-factors representation derived from 100 ns trajectory of cyclo(Ser-pro-Lys(FBz)-Asp-Glu-Lys) (3) and cyclo(Ser-pro-Lys(FBz)-Asp-Glu-Aly) (9) in DMSO and water. Low B-factors represent high structural order.

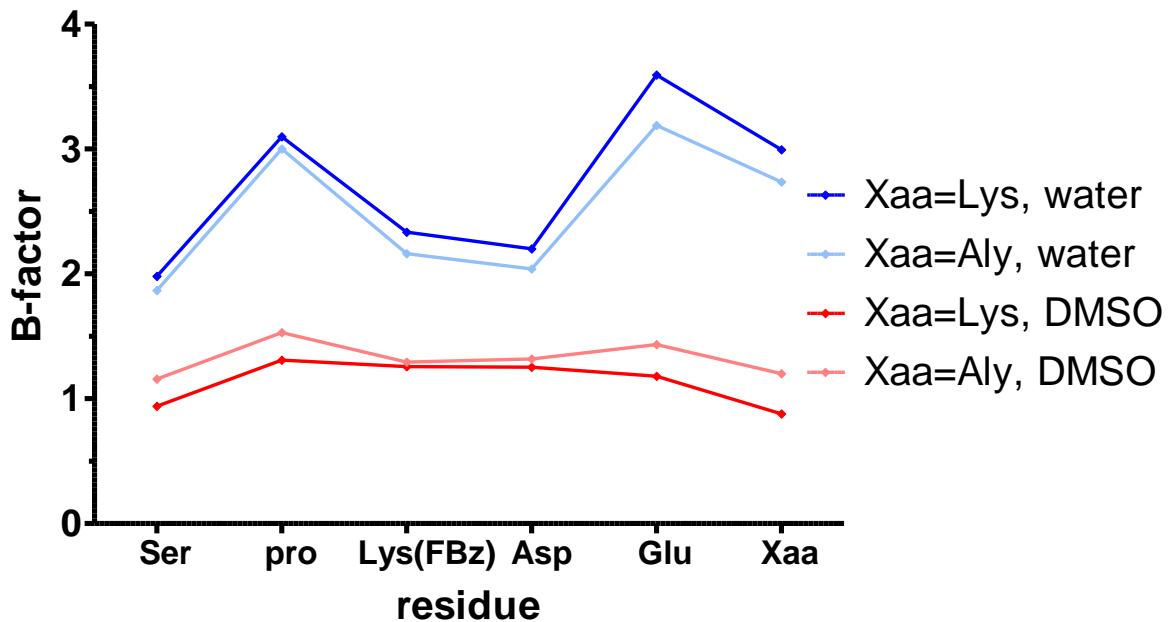
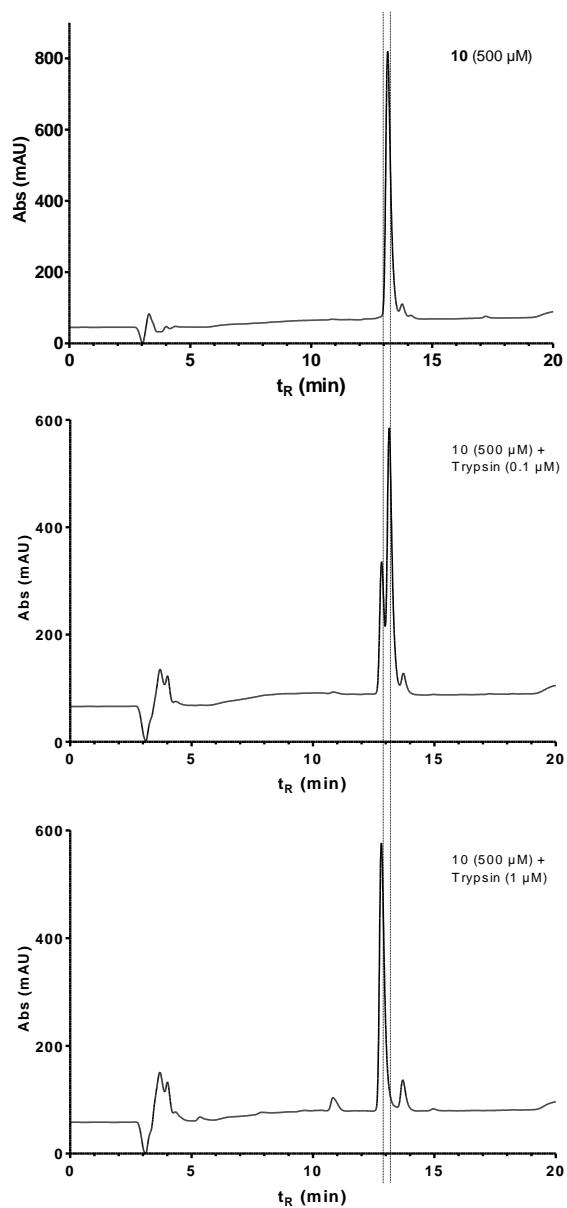
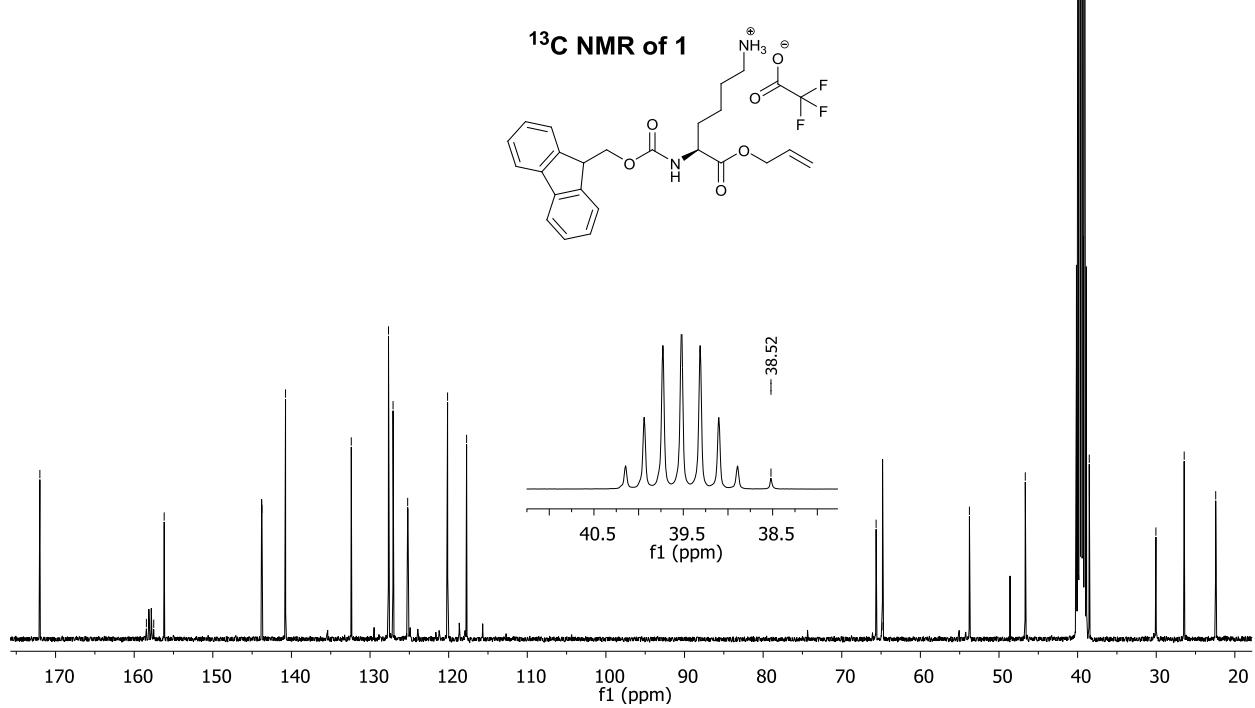
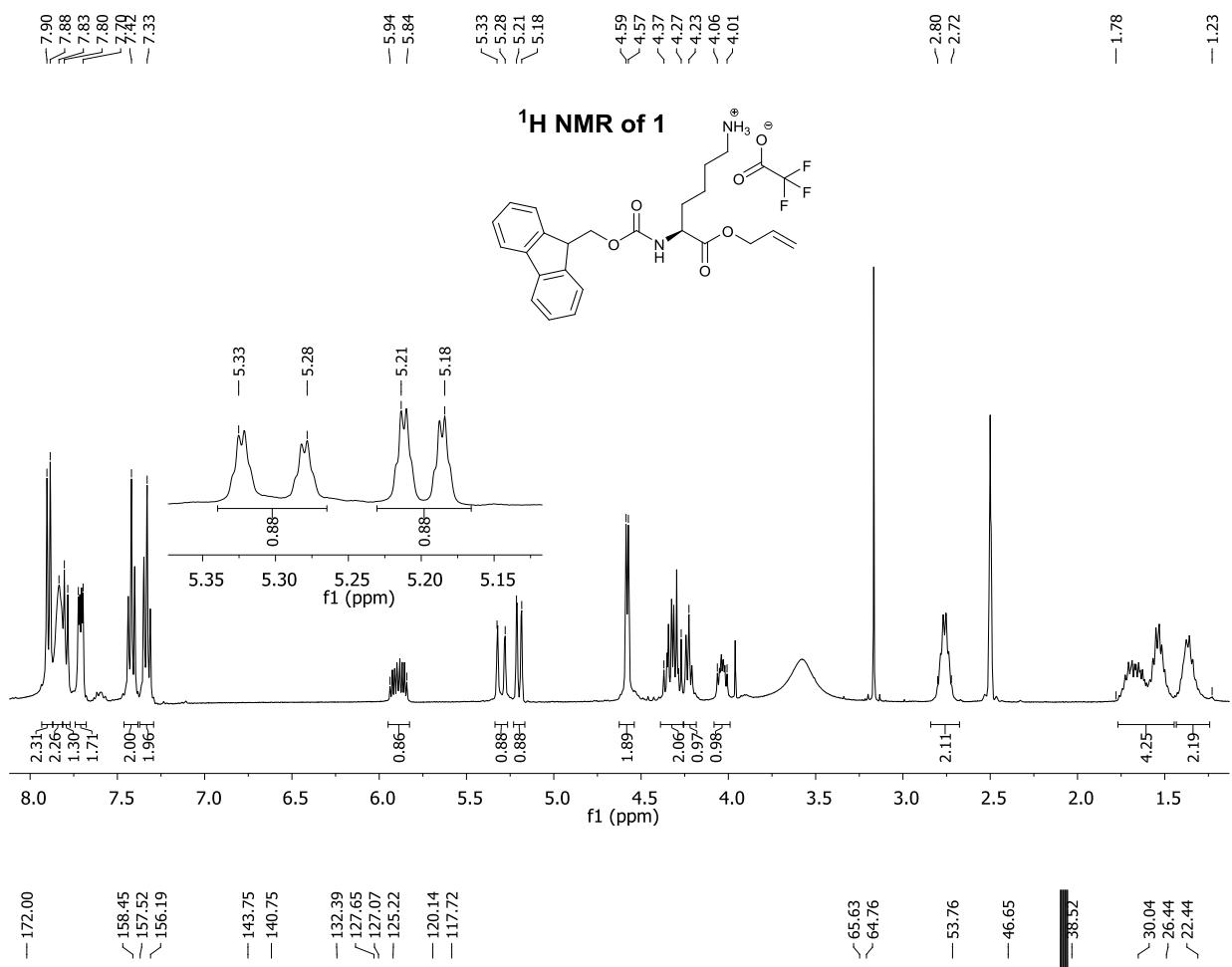


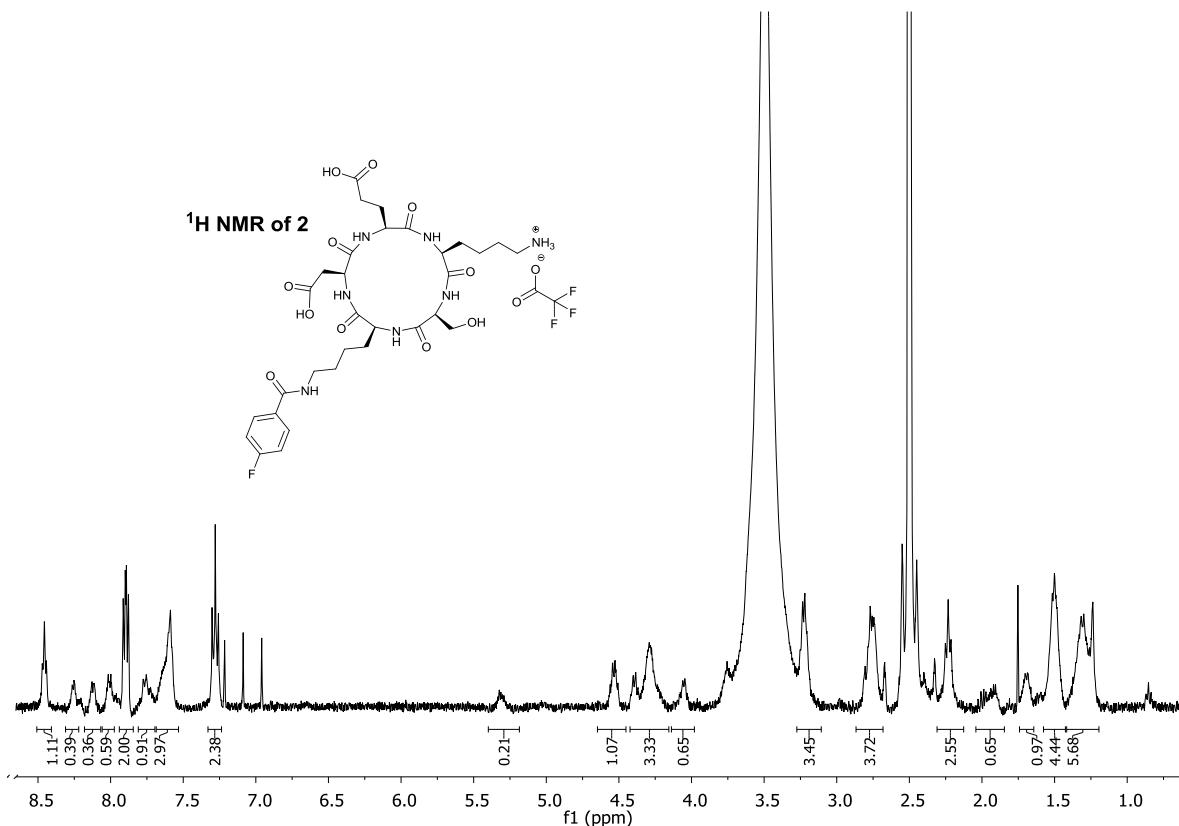
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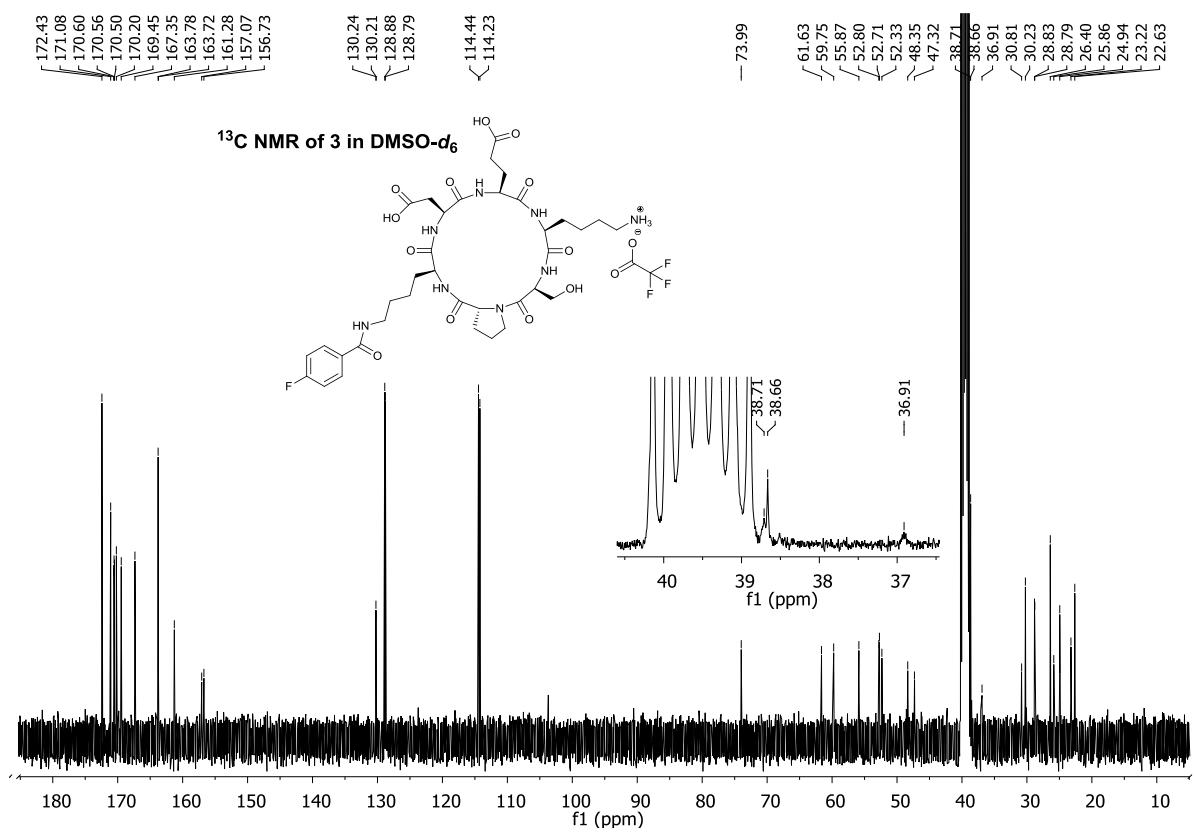
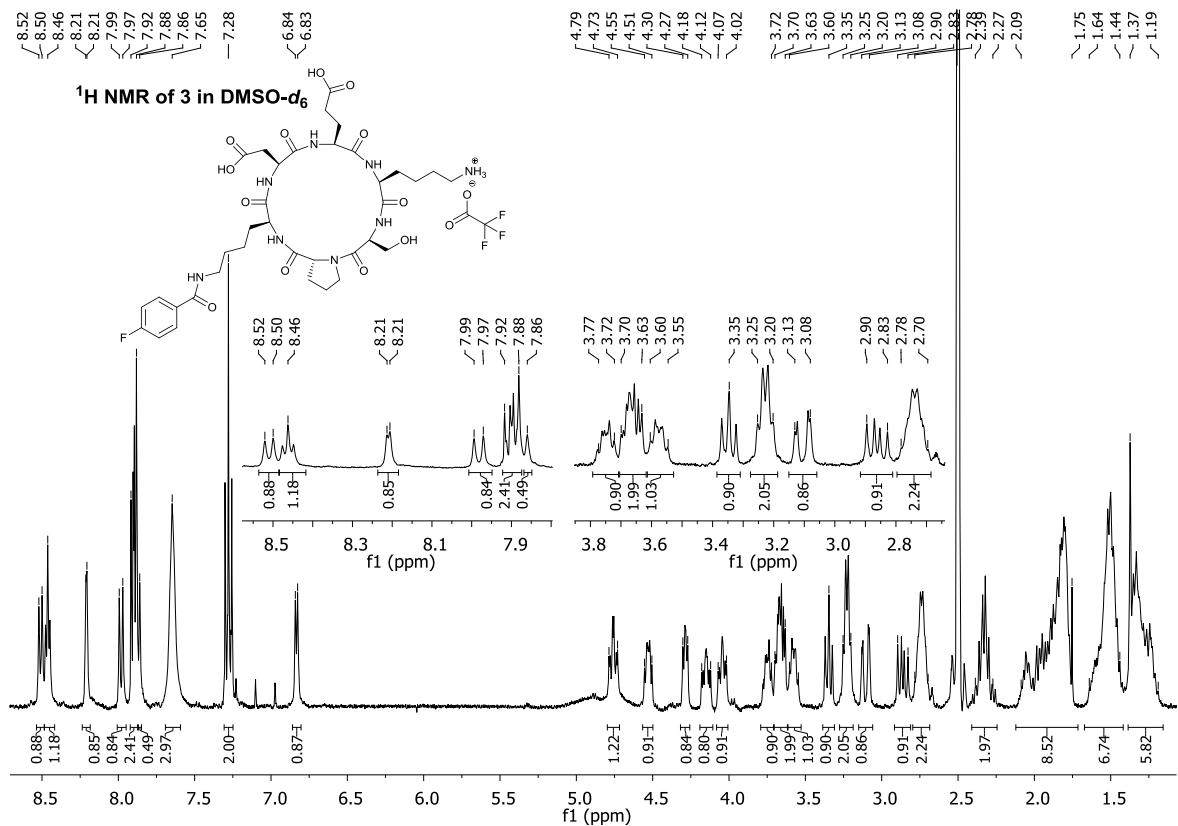
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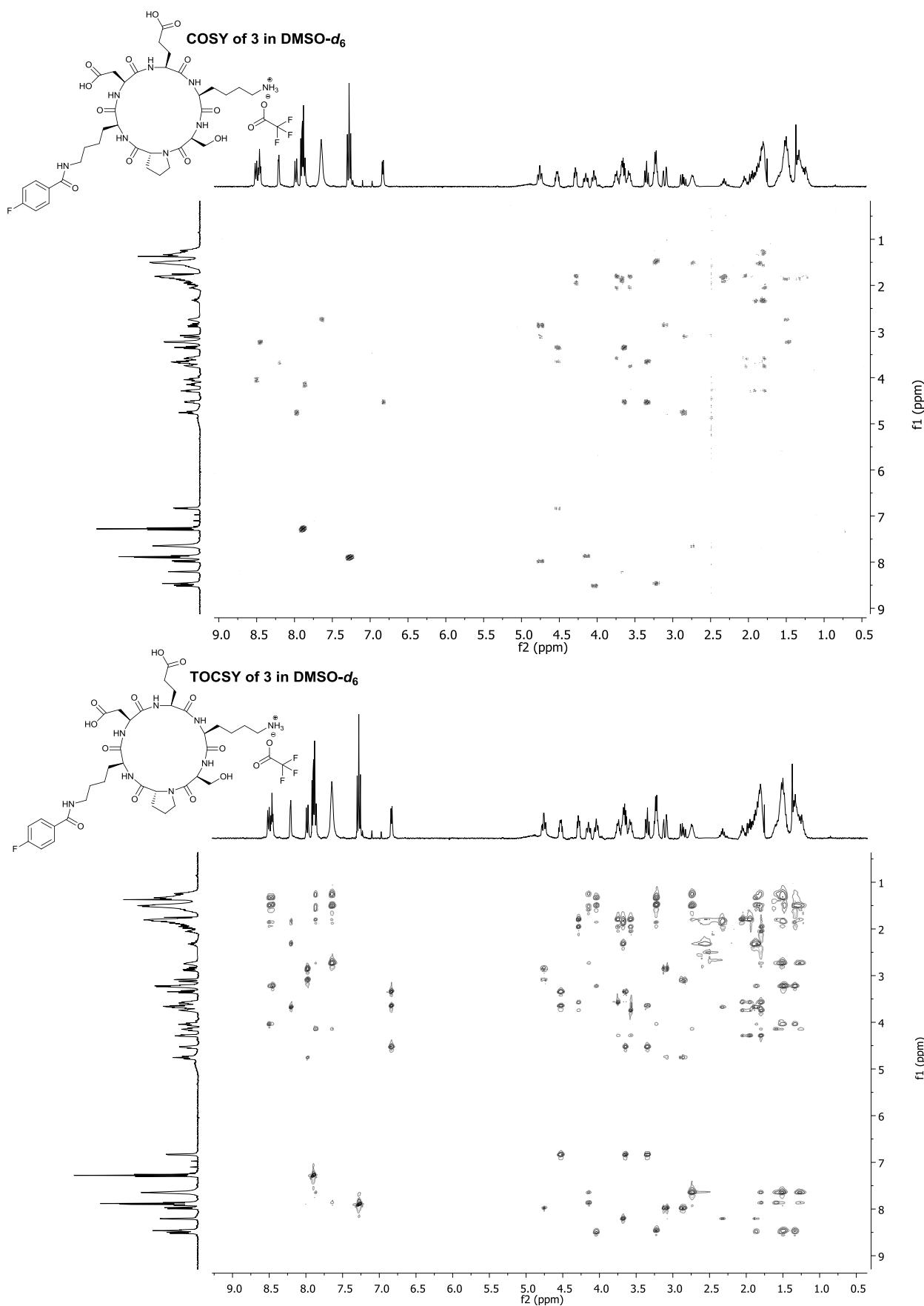


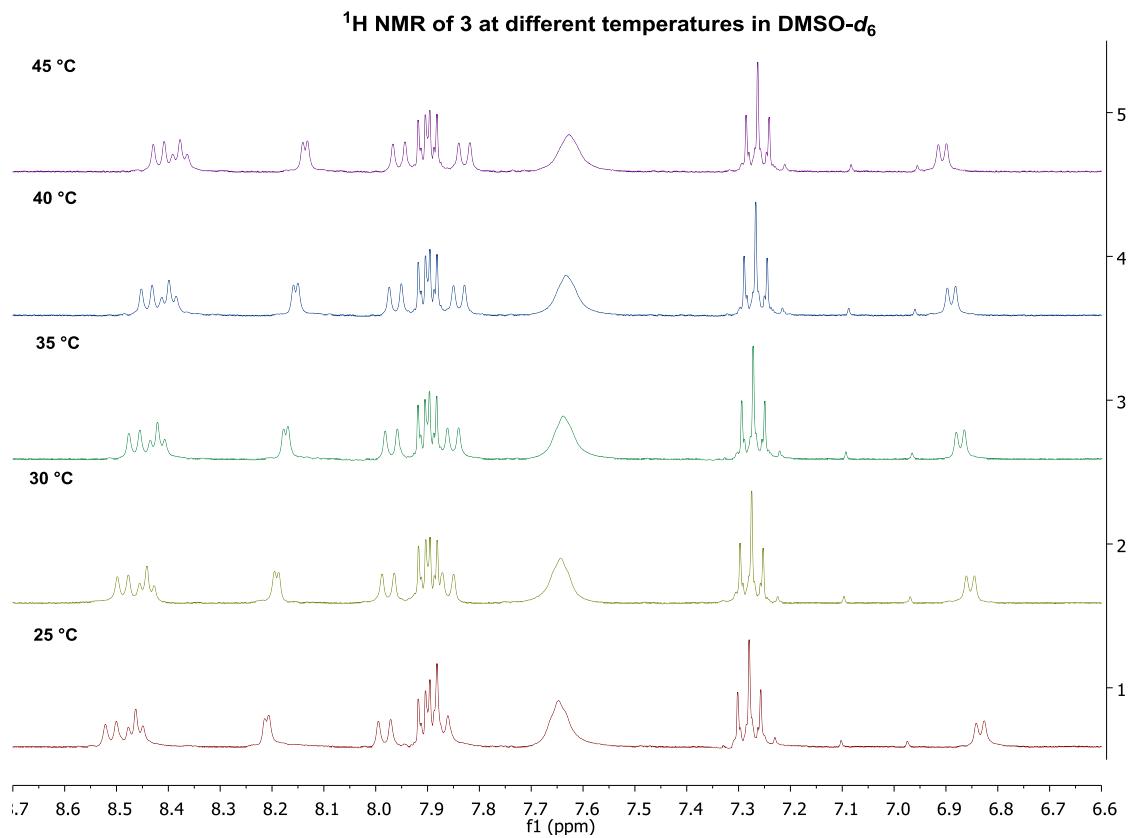
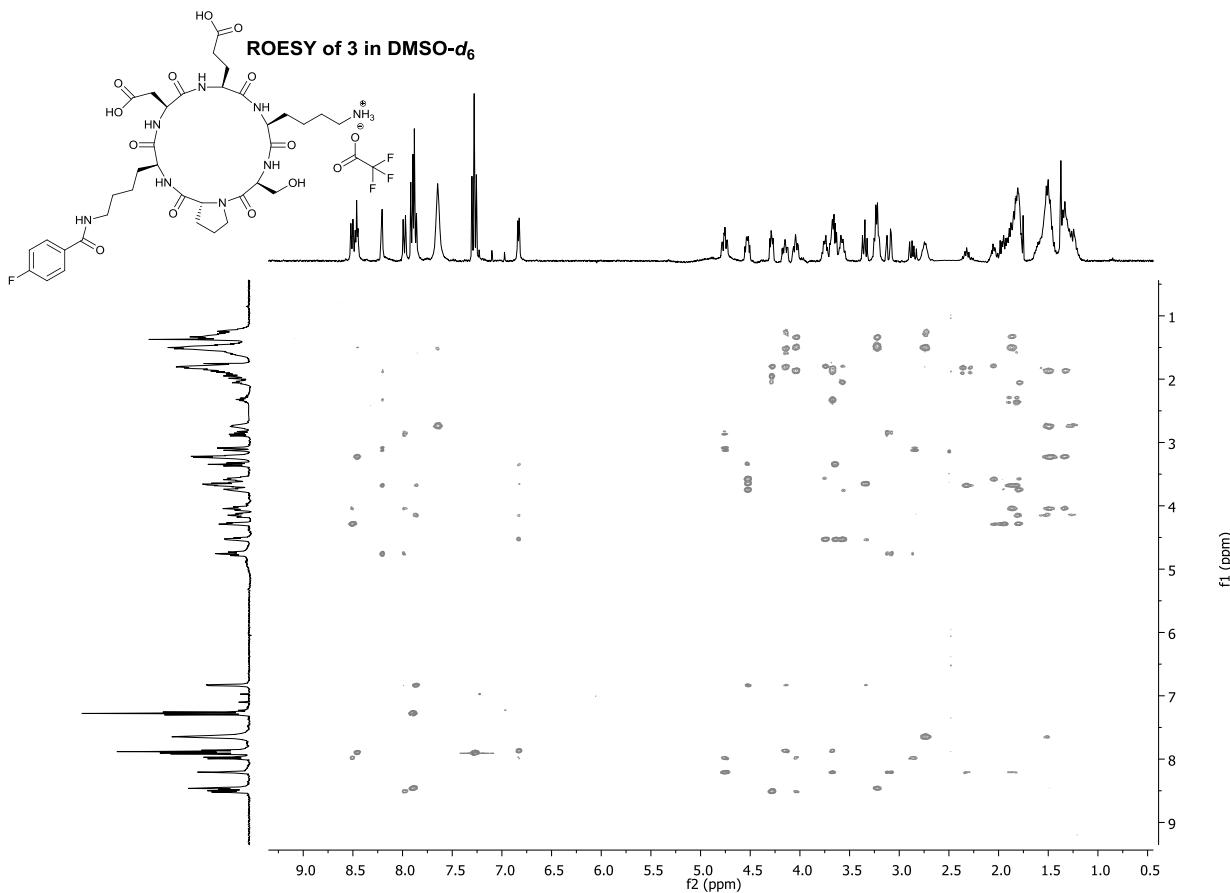
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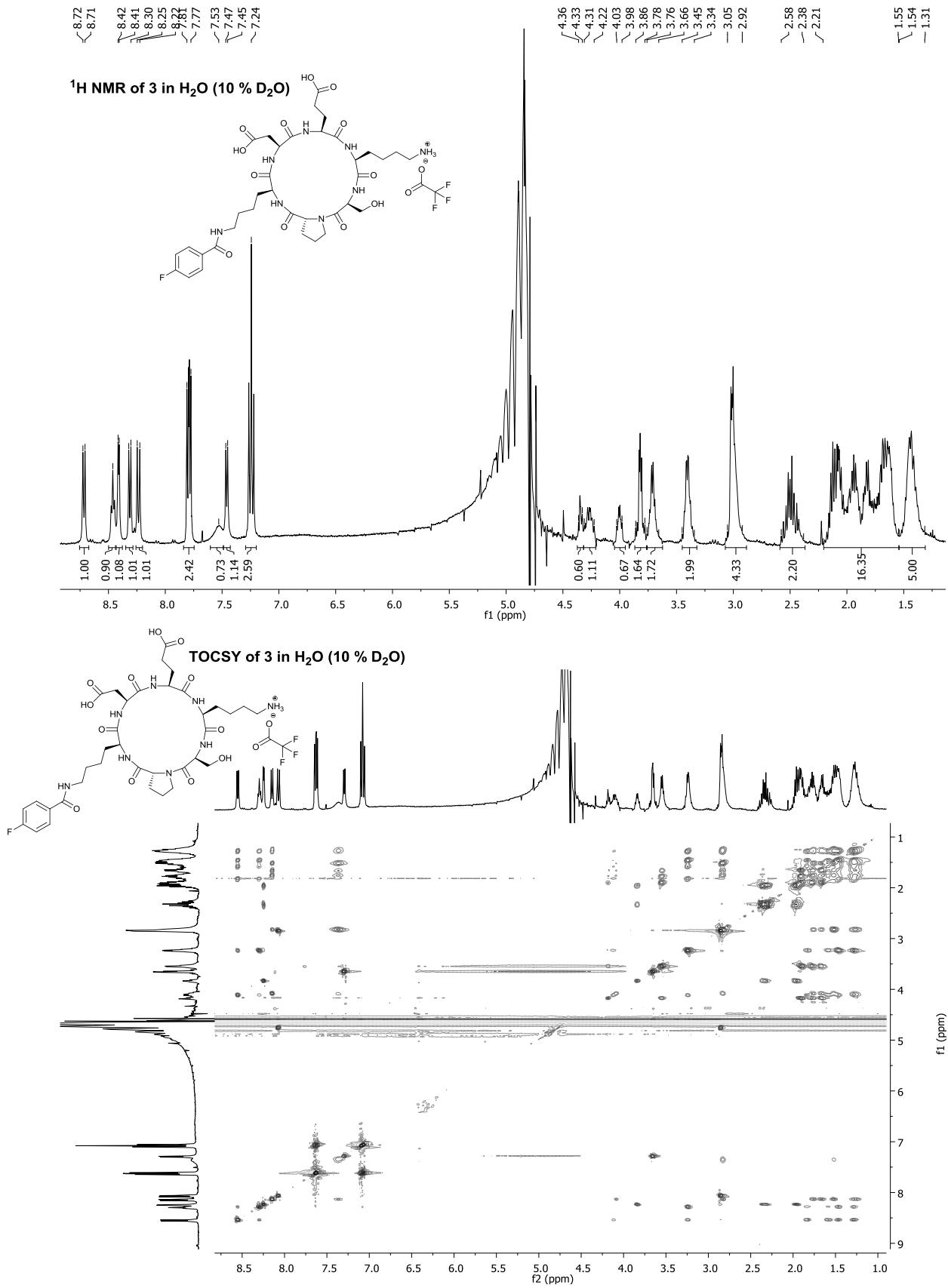


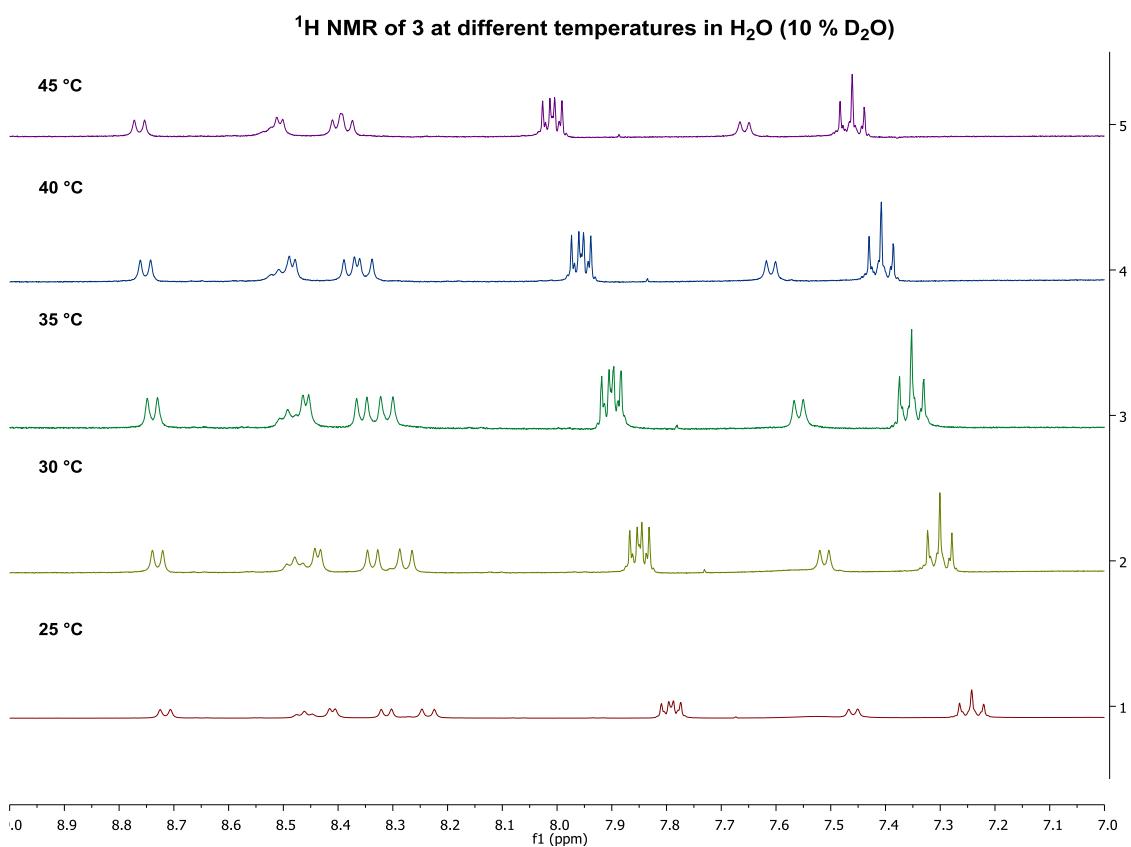
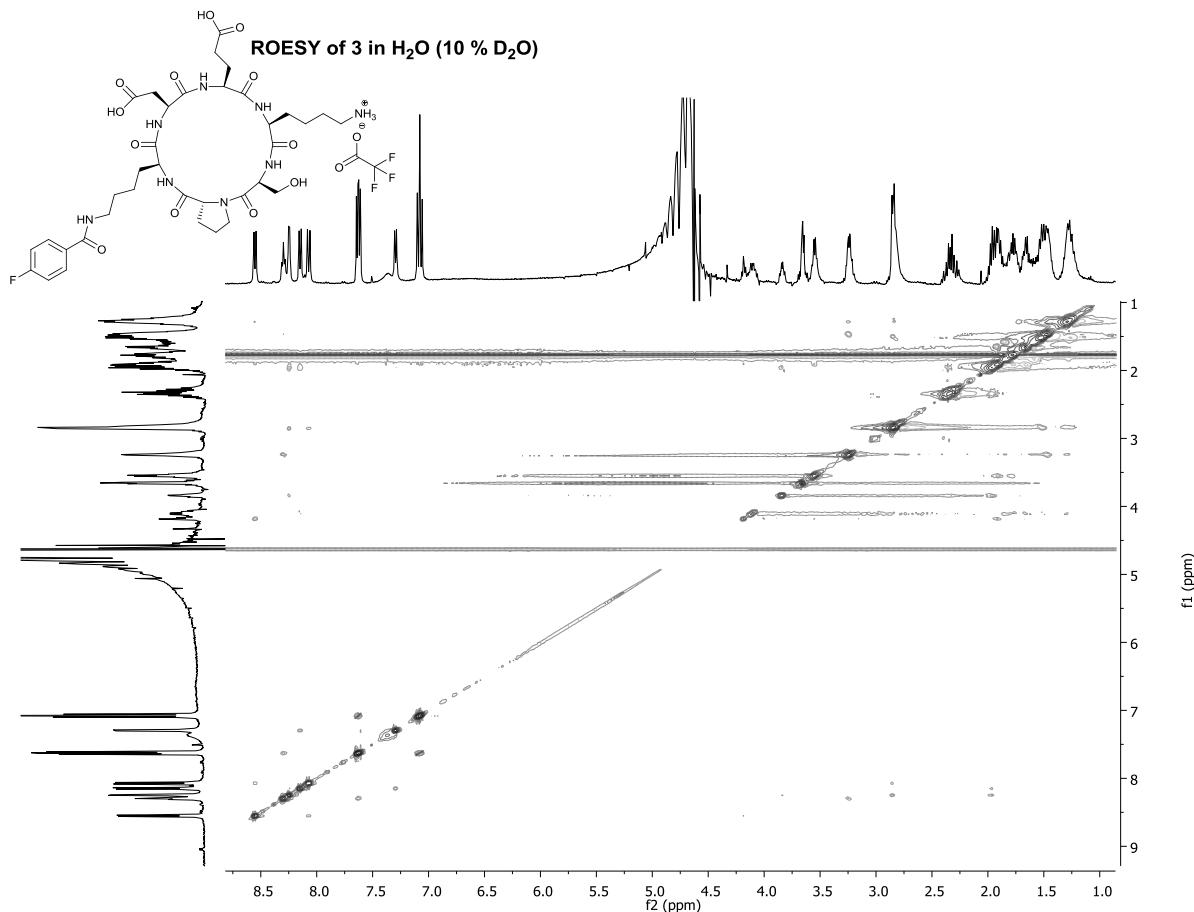


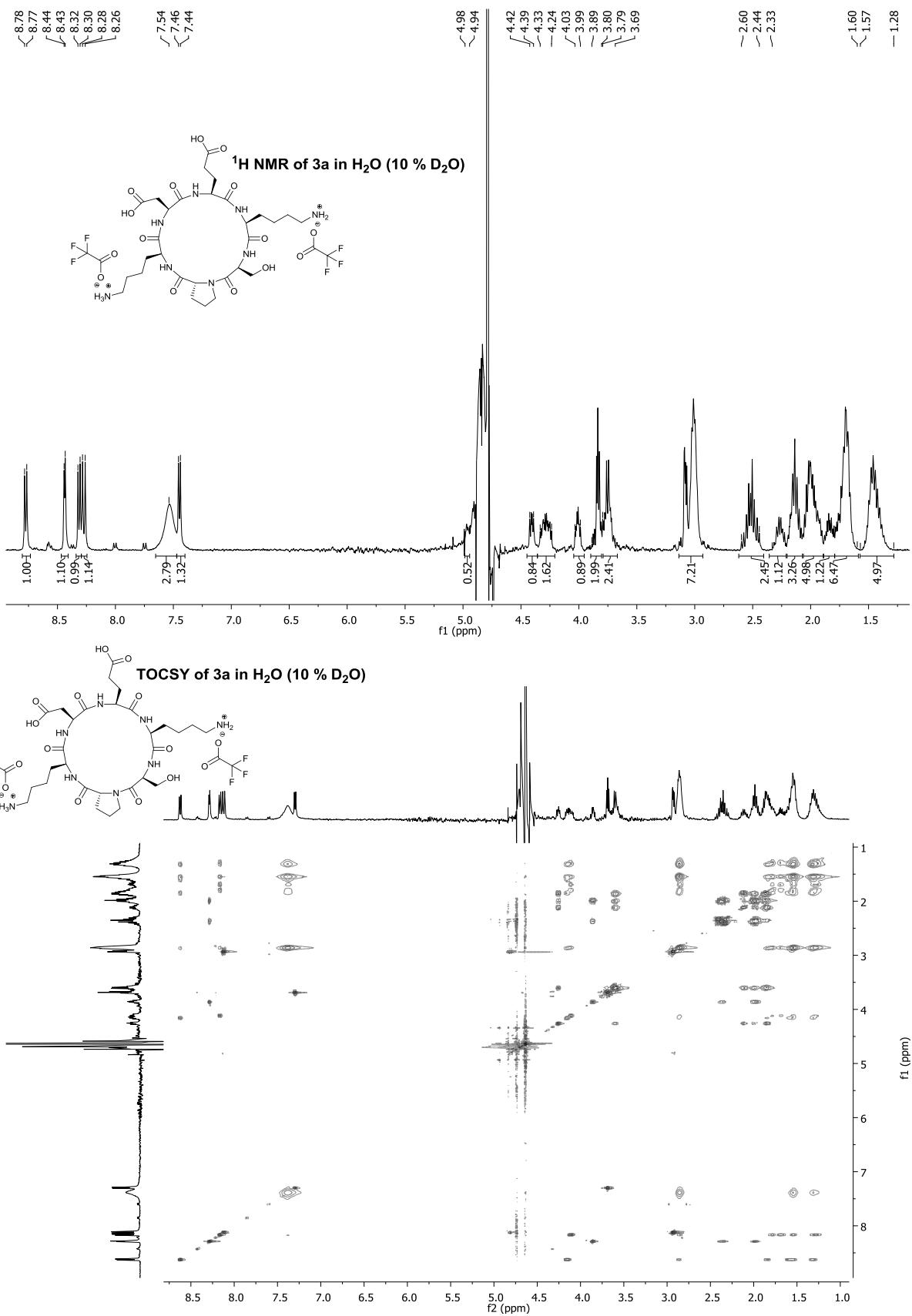


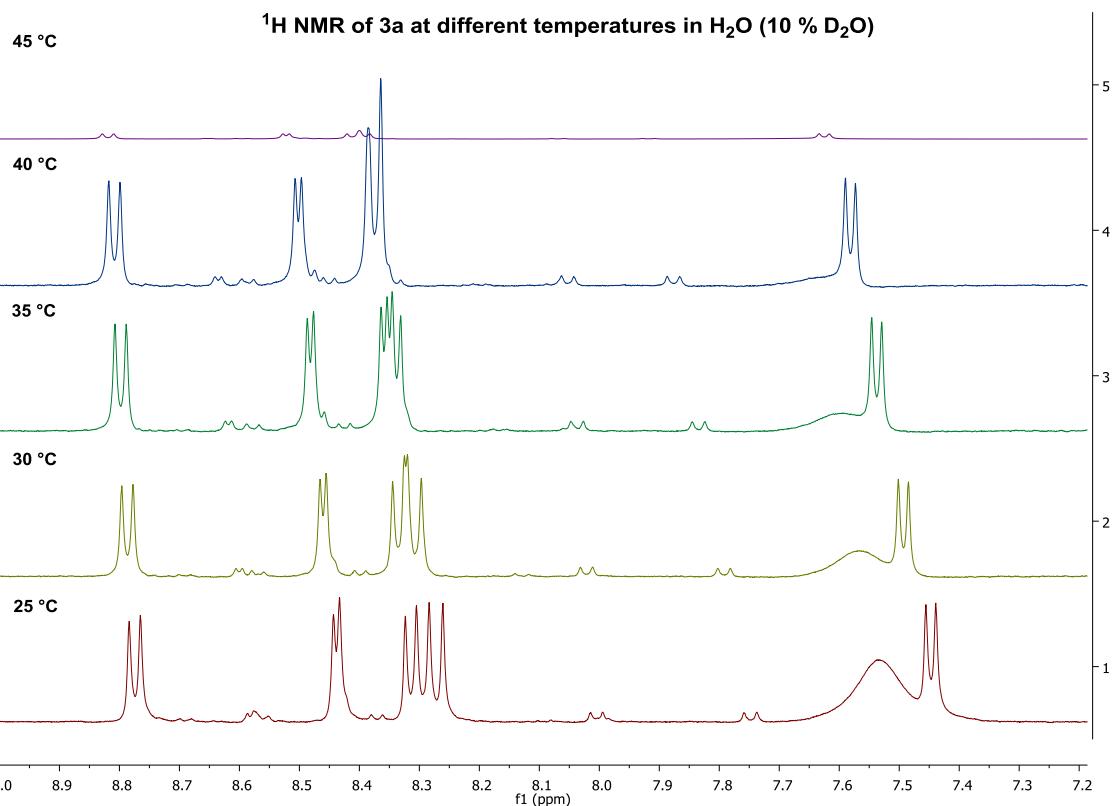












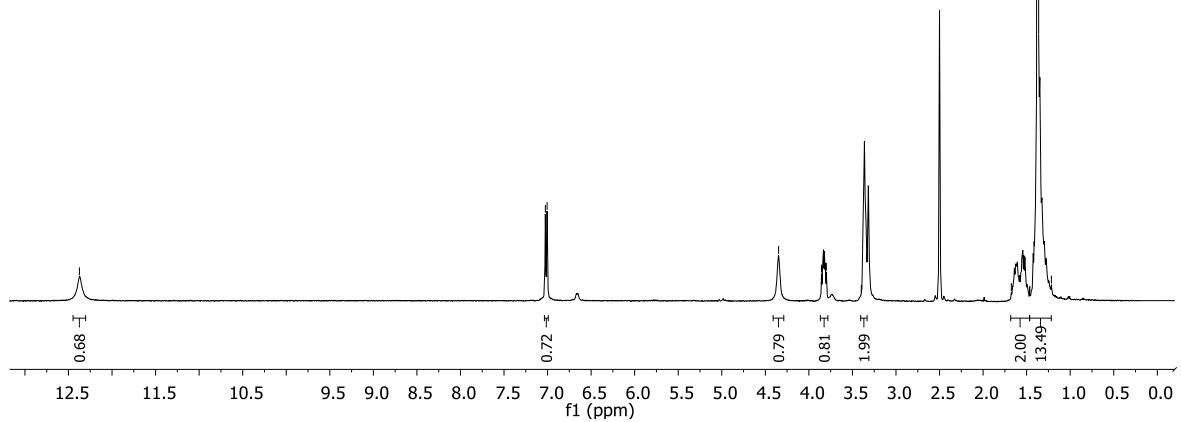
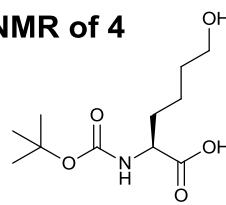
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—4.35
—3.85
—3.80
—3.40
—3.33

/1.68
/1.47
/1.38
/1.22

¹H NMR of 4



—174.25

—155.57

—77.89

—60.48

—53.48

—32.04
—30.66
—28.21
—22.25

¹³C NMR of 4

