Sulfur-Incorporating CTV Analogues: The Synthesis of Cyclotrithioguaiacylene.

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Experimental Section.

General. 1,¹ 2² and 4-(*N*,*N*-dimethylcarbamoylthio)-3-methoxybenzaldehyde (7)² were prepared according to literature procedures. Unless otherwise stated, all the reactions were run under an inert atmosphere of dinitrogen. CH₂Cl₂ and THF were distilled from P₂O₅ and sodium/benzophenone, respectively. ¹H NMR spectra of all new compounds (3-6, 8, 9, 11 and 12) were assigned using 2D NOESY experiments, which confirmed that α' -H (or 5-H) are deshielded by comparison with α -H (or 2-H and 6-H), and that *ax*-H are deshielded by comparison with *eq*-H.³ ¹³C NMR spectra of all new compounds were assigned using 2D ¹H/¹³C NMR HSQC and HMBC experiments. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 1¹, 2,² and 10² were in agreement with literature data.

4-(*N*,*N*-dimethylcarbamoylthio)-3-methoxybenzene methanol (8). NaBH₄ (0.250 g, 6.25 mmol) was added to a solution of 4-(*N*,*N*-dimethylcarbamoylthio)-3-methoxybenzaldehyde **7** (1.00 g, 4.18 mmol) in methanol (60 mL). After 2 hr stirring at room temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched by addition of H₂O (30 mL) and extracted with dichloromethane (3 × 50 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄) and filtered. Solvent removal by rotary evaporation followed by drying under vacuum afforded **8** (0.972 g) in 96% yield as a colorless solid. Mp. 129-130 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 3.00 (br s, 3H; NCH₃), 3.12 (br s, 3H; NCH₃), 3.86 (s, 3H; OCH₃), 4.66 (d, ³*J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H; CH₂), 6.91 (d, ³*J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H; 6-H), 6.99 (d, ⁴*J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H; 2-H), 7.41 (dd, ³*J* = 7.8 Hz, ⁴*J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H; 5-H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 37.1 (NCH₃), 56.2 (OCH₃), 65.0 (CH₂O), 109.9 (2-C), 115.7 (4-C), 119.1 (6-C), 138.2 (5-C), 145.2 (1-C), 160.4 (3-C), 166.6 (CO); IR (ATR) v 1639 (SC=O) cm⁻¹; Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₅NO₃S·1/4H₂O (249.56): C, 53.8; H, 6.4; N, 5.7. Found: C, 54.0; H, 6.8; N, 5.7%.

4-(*N*,*N*-dimethylcarbamoylthio)-3-methoxybenzyl formate (9). A solution of **8** (0.500 g, 2.07 mmol) in formic acid (5 mL) was heated at 70 °C for 24 hr. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the solid residue washed with water to afford **9** (0.490 g, 1.82 mmol) in 90% yield. Mp. 93-94 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.99 (br s, 3H; NCH₃), 3.08 (br s, 3H; NCH₃), 3.85 (s, 3H; OCH₃); 5.18 (s, 2H; CH₂), 6.93 (s, 1H; 2-H), 6.95 (d, ³*J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H; 6-H), 7.43 (d, ³*J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H; 5-H), 8.12 (s, 1H; CHO) ppm; ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 36.9 (N(CH₃)₂), 56.1 (OCH₃), 65.2 (CH₂), 111.1 (2-C), 117.0 (4-C), 120.5 (6-C), 138.2 (5-C), 138.8 (1-C), 160.1 (3-C), 160.6 (HCO), 165.9 (SCO) ppm; IR (ATR) *v* 1711 (HC=O), 1653 (SC=O) cm⁻¹; Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₁₅NO₄S (269.32): C, 53.5; H, 5.6; N, 5.2; S, 11.9. Found: C, 53.6; H, 5.3; N, 5.0; S, 12.4%.

2,7,12-trihydroxy-3,8,13-trimethylsulfenyl-10,15-dihydro-5H-tribenzo[a,d,g]cyclononene (10).¹ *Tert*-butylthiol (0.225 mL, 2.08 mmol) was added to a suspension of NaH (0.050 g, 2.08 mmol) in THF at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at this temperature for 15 min, then transferred to a solution of **2** (0.100 g, 0.200 mmol) in THF. The resulting reaction mixture was heated at reflux for 12 hr, and quenched by addition of 10% aqueous HCl. The residue was purified by column chromatography (silica gel; CH₂Cl₂/CH₃OH 95:5), which afforded **10** (0.090 g, 0.197 mmol) in 98% yield as a colorless solid.

Attempted deprotection of 6 to 3. Solid AgNO₃ (0.050 g, 0.255 mmol) was added to a solution of 6 (0.050 g, 0.085 mmol) in EtOH (50 mL), and the reaction mixture stirred at room temperature for 2 days. The resulting precipitate was removed by filtration, and the filtrate concentrated to dryness. It was subsequently retaken into CH_2Cl_2 , and stirred for 6 hr with a 6 N aqueous HCl solution (25 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 and the combined organic layers dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated to dryness.

X-ray crystallography of compound 12. The crystal structure analysis was performed at low temperature (T = 110K) on an Oxford Diffraction X'Calibur CCD diffractometer using CuK α radiation ($\lambda = 1.5418$ Å). The structure was solved by direct methods with the program SIR92,⁴ and full matrix least-square refinements on F² in SHELXL-97⁵ were performed with anisotropic displacements for non-H atoms. Hydrogen atoms were located in difference Fourier maps and refined isotropically according to a riding model. CCDC 800716 contains the detailed crystallographic data. These data can be obtained free of charge from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.ik/data_request/cif.

 Table S 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for 12.

Identification code Empirical formula Formula weight Temperature Wavelength Crystal system Space group Unit cell dimensions	12 C29 H34 Cl4 O9 S3 764.54 110(2) K 1.54180 Å monoclinic $P 2_1 / c$ a = 16.8059(4) Å b = 12.0718(2) Å c = 21.4038(5) Å	α= 90°. β= 127.012(3)°. γ = 90°.	
Volume	3467.4(2) Å ³		
Z	4		
Density (calculated)	1.465 Mg/m ³		
Absorption coefficient	5.244 mm ⁻¹		
F(000)	1584		
Crystal size	$0.130 \times 0.089 \times 0.043 \text{ mm}^3$		
Theta range for data collection	3.29 to 76.39°.		
Index ranges	-21<=h<=18, -14<=k<=15, -25<=l<=26		
Reflections collected	25730		
Independent reflections	7233 [R(int) = 0.0274]		
Completeness to theta = 76.39°	99.6 %	2	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F^2		
Data / restraints / parameters	7233/0/412		
Goodness-of-fit on F^2	1.045		
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0426, WR2 = 0.1102		
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0546, wR2 = 0.1147		
Largest diff. peak and hole	1.192 and -0.598 e.Å ⁻³		

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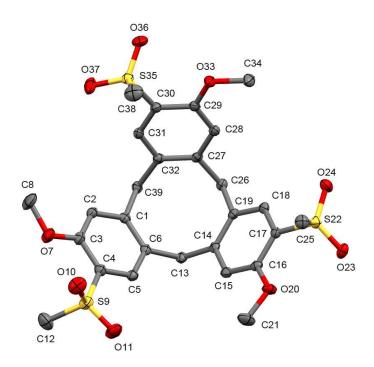


Figure S 1. ORTEP-3 view of **12** in space group $P2_1/c$. Atomic displacement ellipsoids are plotted at the 50% probability level. Hydrogen atoms and solvent molecules were removed for clarity. The dihedral angles formed by the least square planes of the three phenyl moieties are 66.87(6), 74.78(7)° and 74.05(7)°.

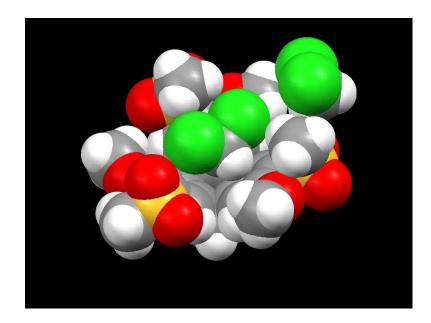


Figure S 2. CPK view of 12 with two co-crystallized CH_2Cl_2 molecules, one of them trapped within the molecular cavity, showing two edge-to-face aromatic $CH \cdots \pi$ interactions (both at 2.81

Å), and weaker CH…Cl (2.97 and 3.21 Å) and Cl…O interactions (3.80 Å) between guest and host.

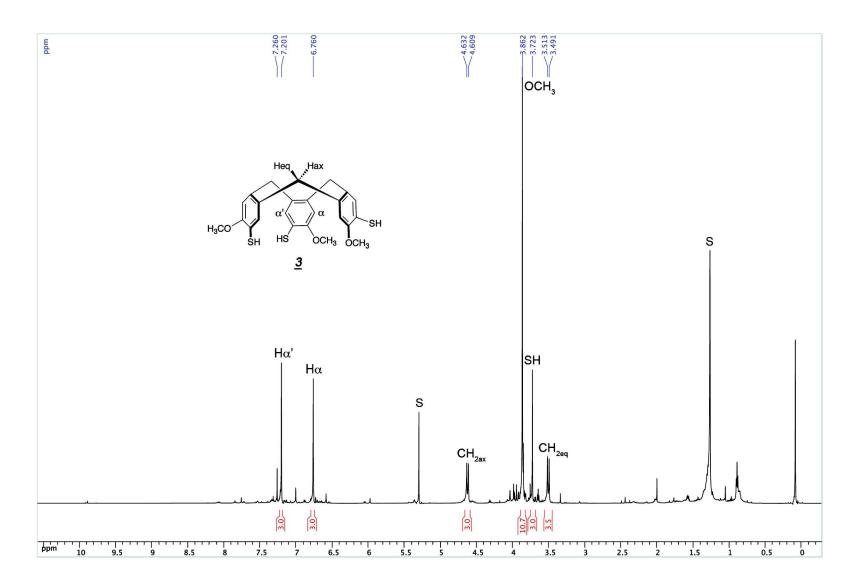


Figure S 3: ¹H NMR spectrum of cyclotrithioguaiacylene **3** obtained via Newman-Kwart rearrangement.

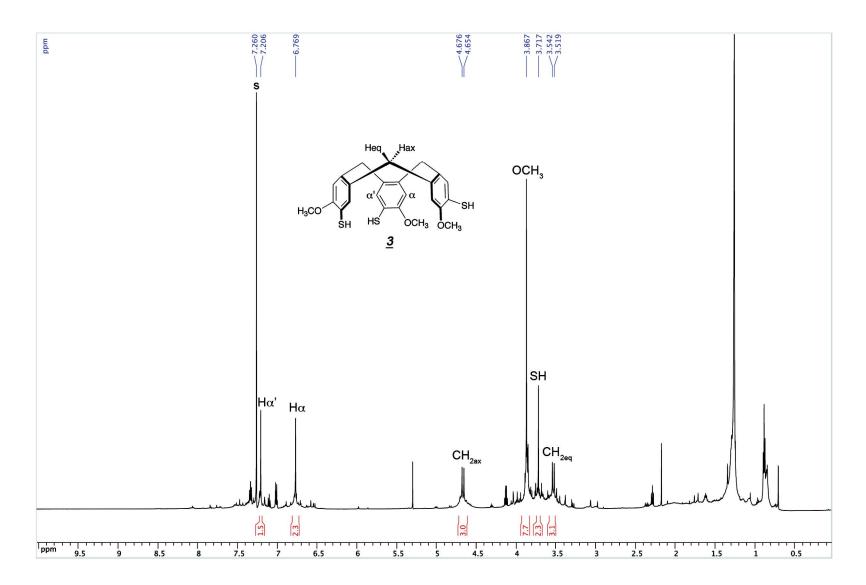


Figure S 4: ¹H NMR spectrum of cyclotrithioguaiacylene **3** obtained from **6**.

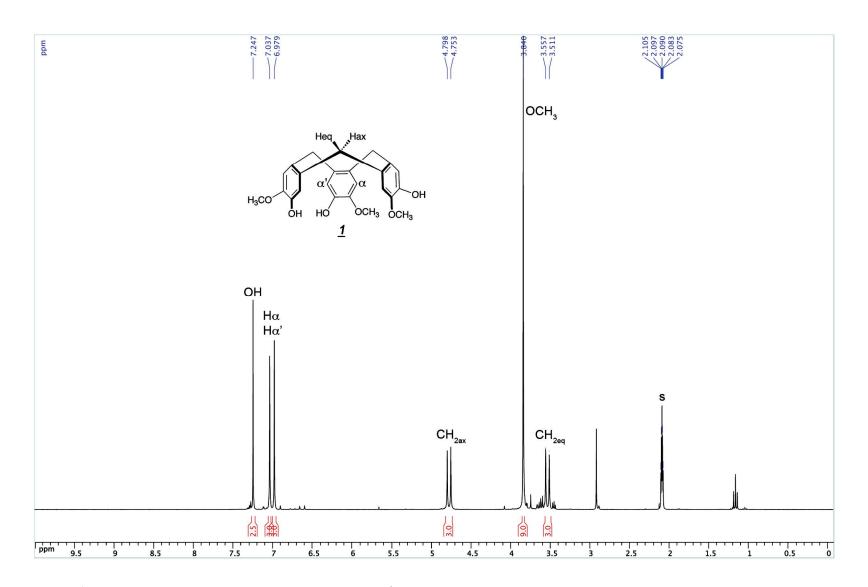


Figure S 5: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **1** (300 MHz, d⁶-acetone).

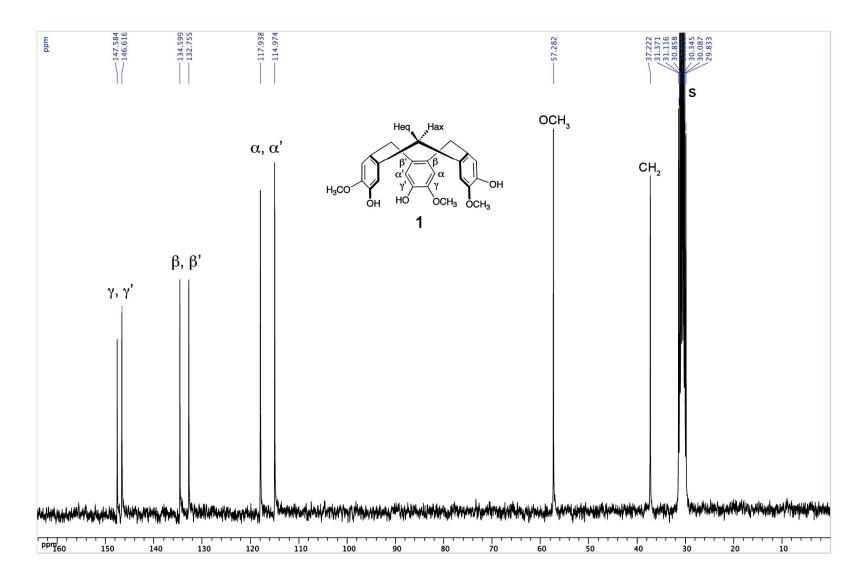


Figure S 6: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **1** (75 MHz, d⁶-acetone).

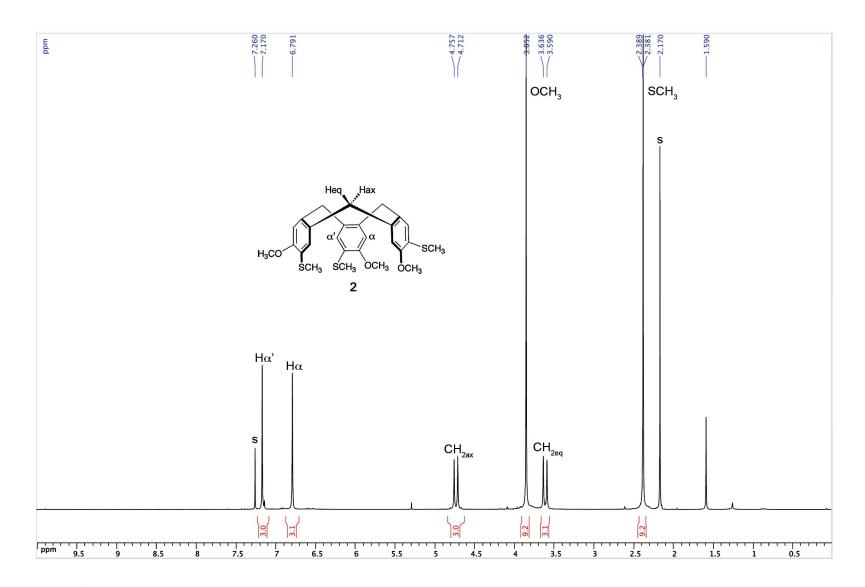


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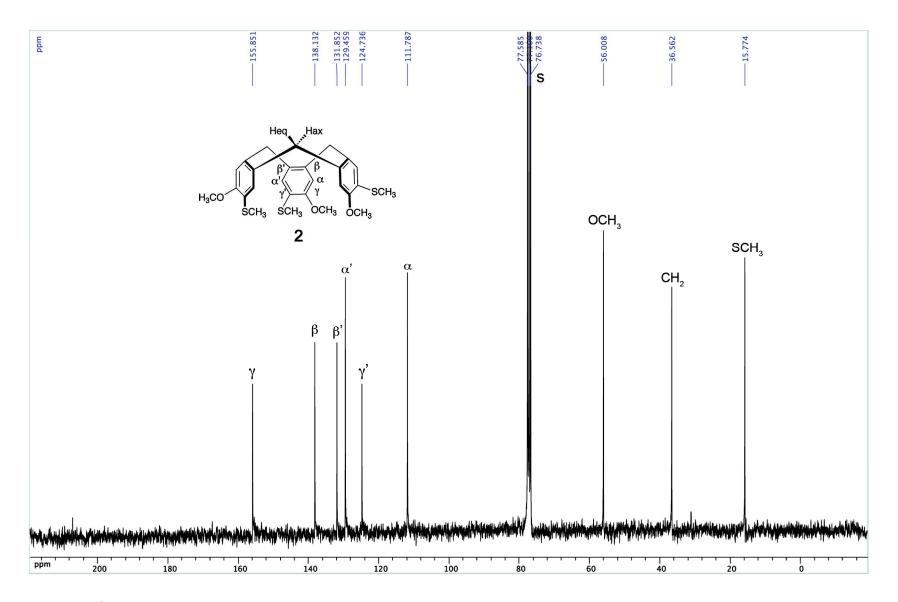


Figure S 8: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound **2** (75 MHz, CDCl₃).

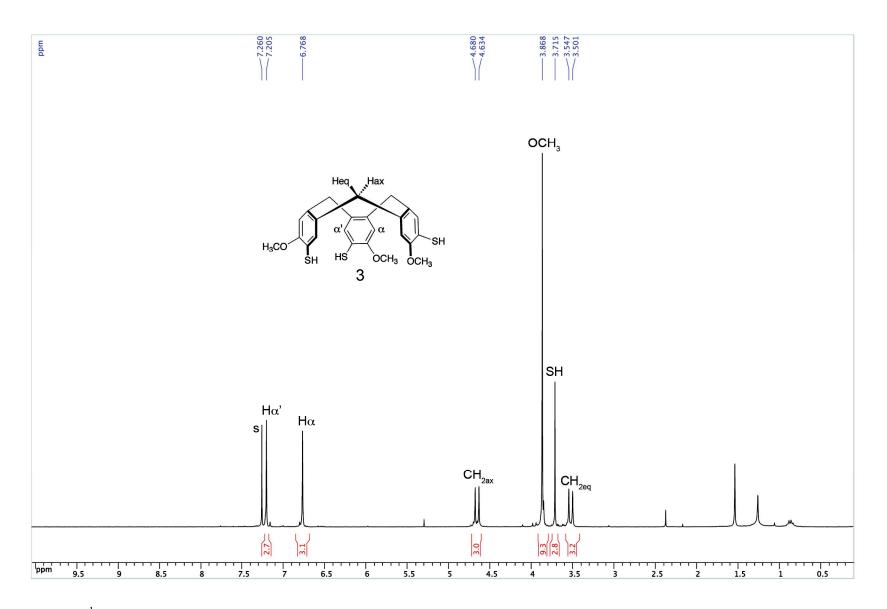


Figure S 9: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **3** (300 MHz, CDCl₃).

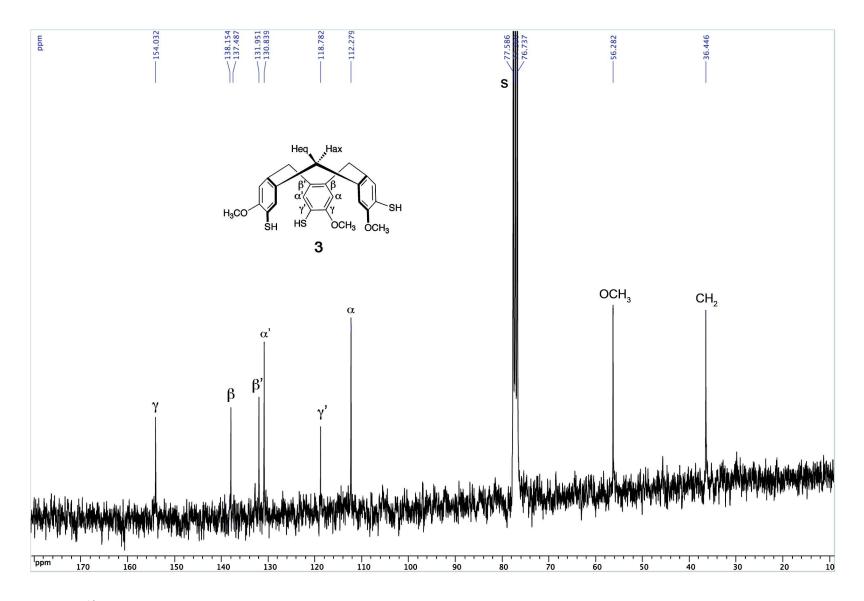


Figure S 10: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 3 (75 MHz, CDCl₃).

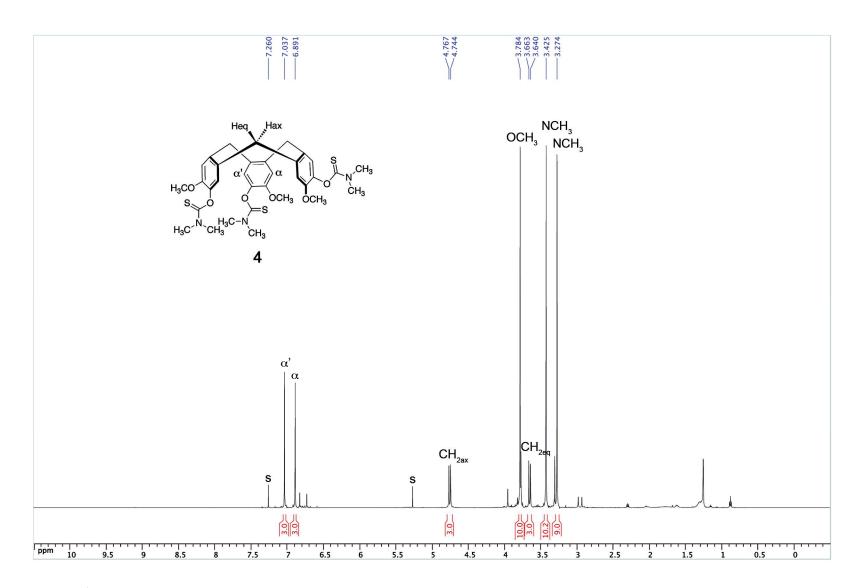


Figure S 11: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 4 (600 MHz, CDCl₃).

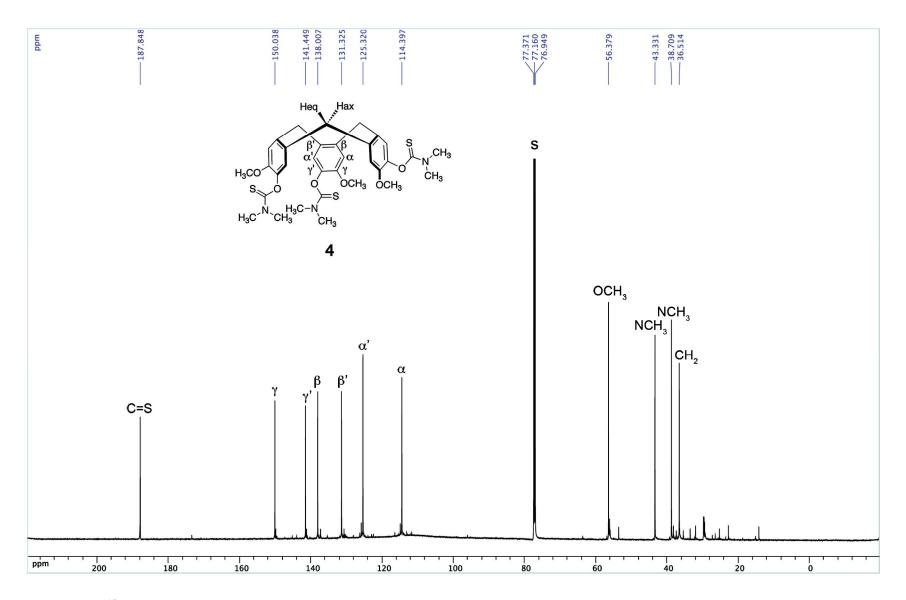


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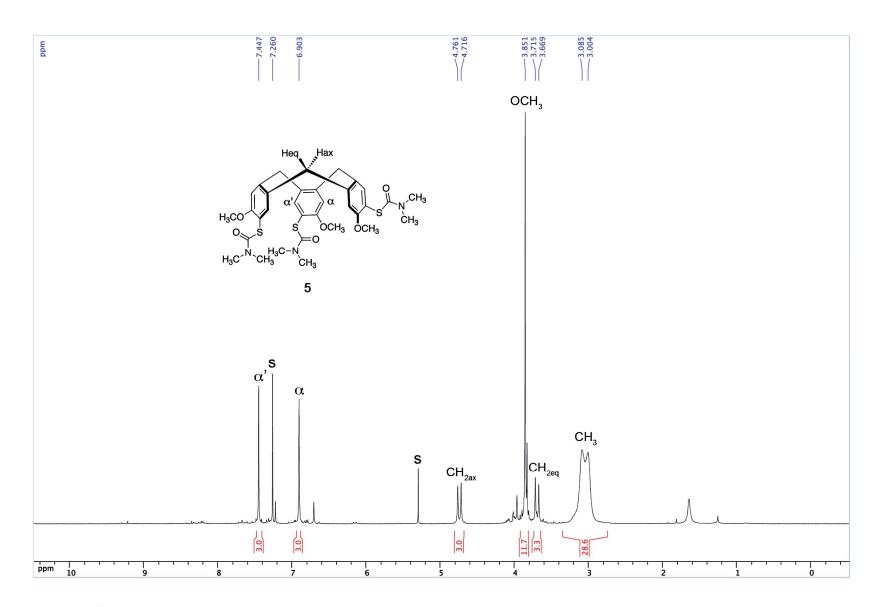


Figure S 13: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **5** (300 MHz, CDCl₃).

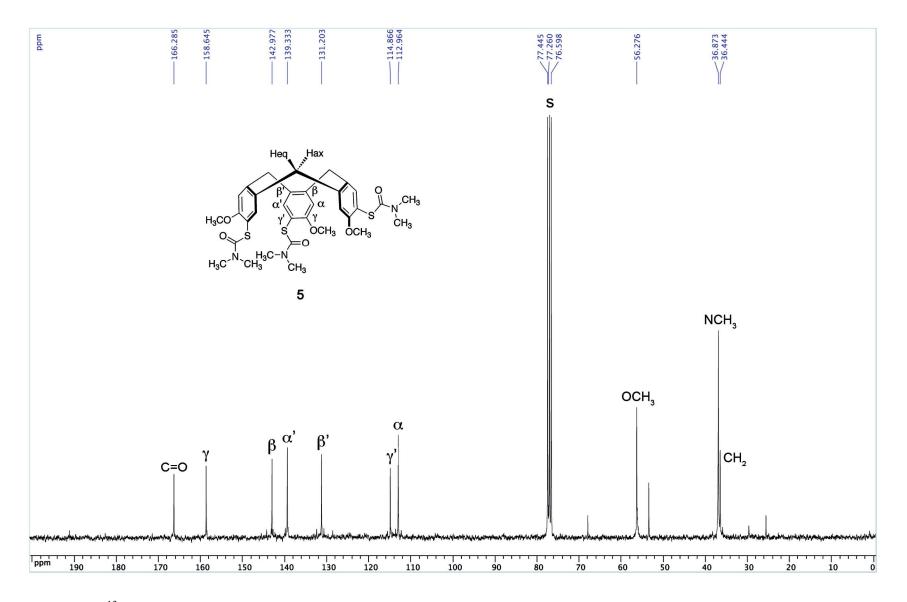


Figure S 14: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 5 (75 MHz, CDCl₃).

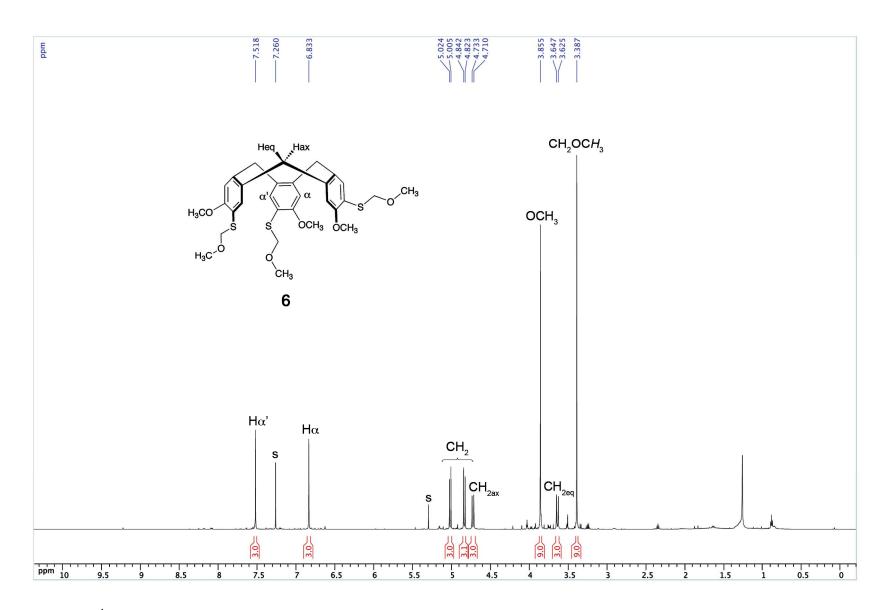


Figure S 15: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 6 (600 MHz, CDCl₃).

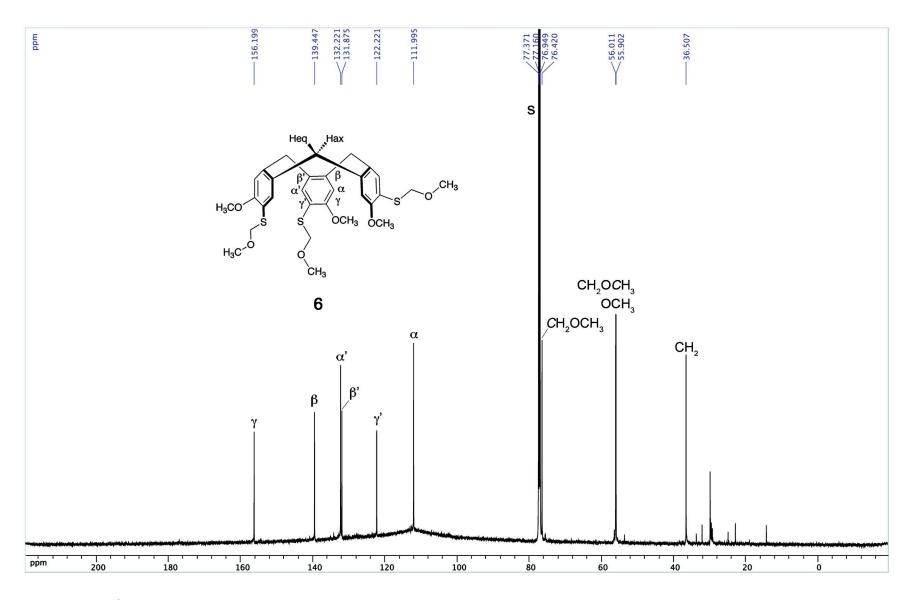


Figure S 16: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 6 (75 MHz, CDCl₃).

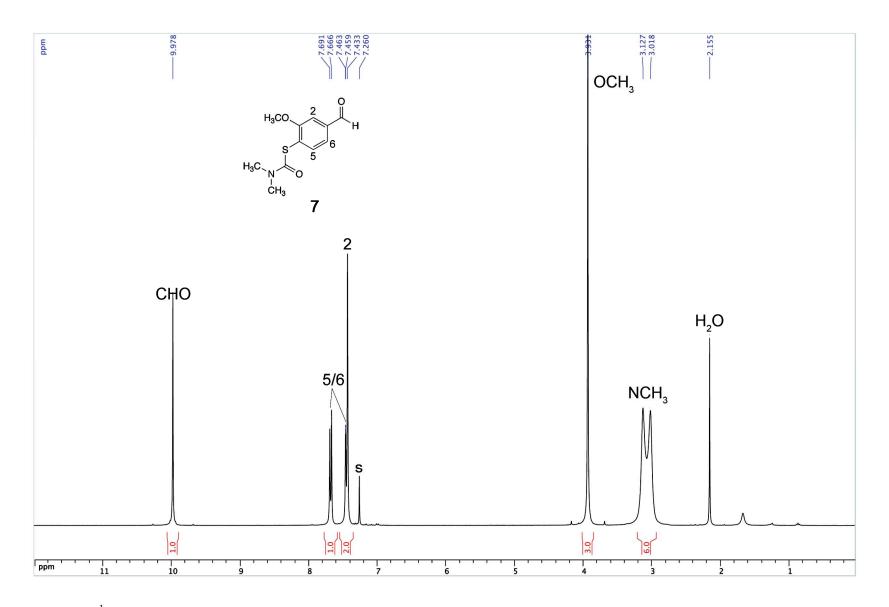


Figure S 17: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 7 (300 MHz, CDCl₃).

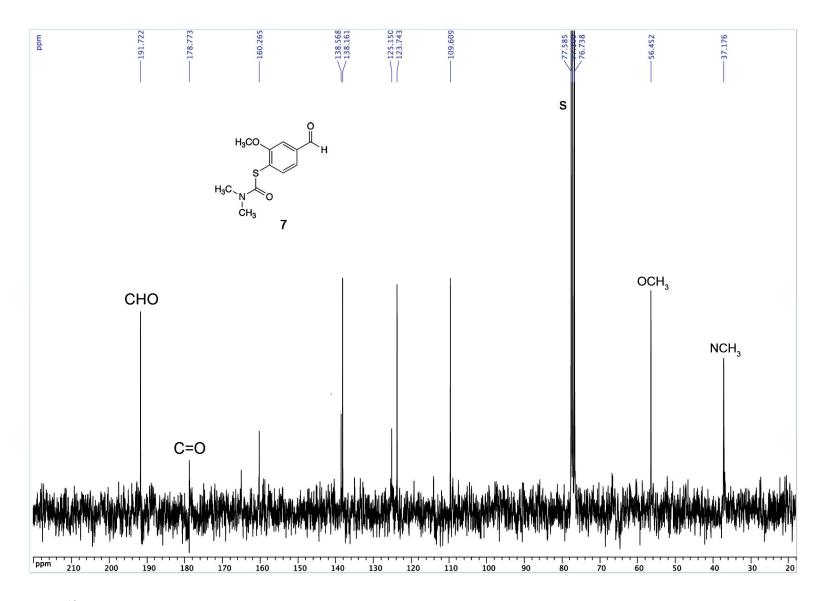


Figure S 18: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 7 (75 MHz, CDCl₃).

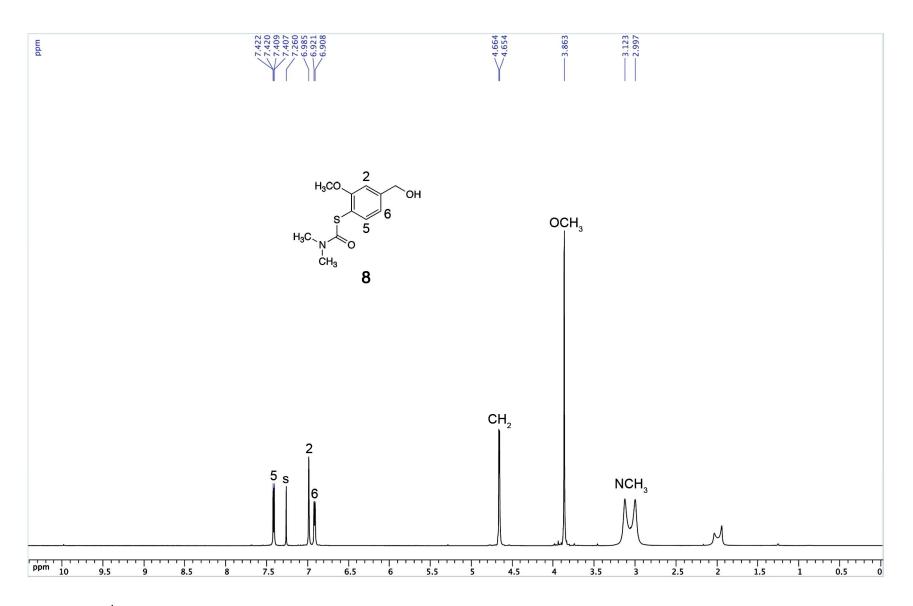


Figure S 19: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound **8** (300 MHz, CDCl₃).

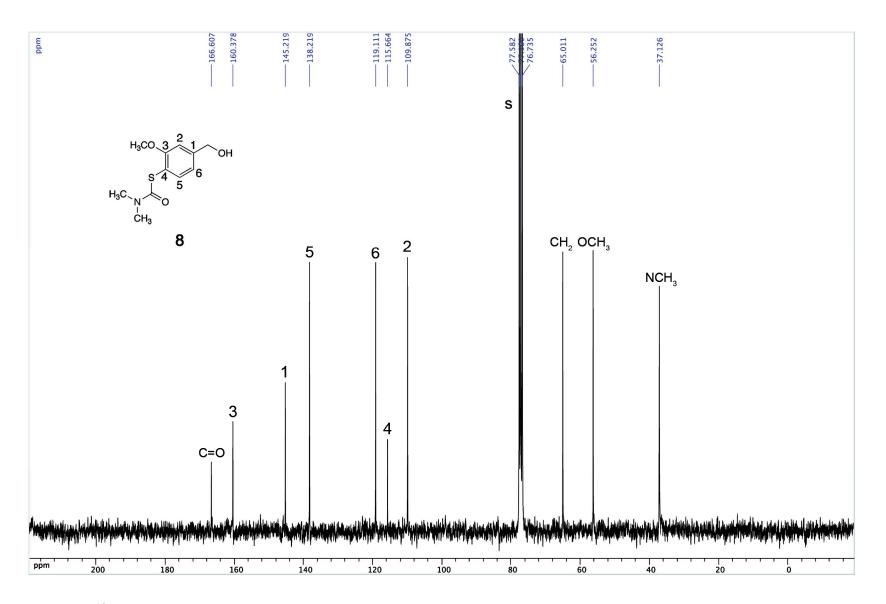


Figure S 20: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 8 (75 MHz, CDCl₃).

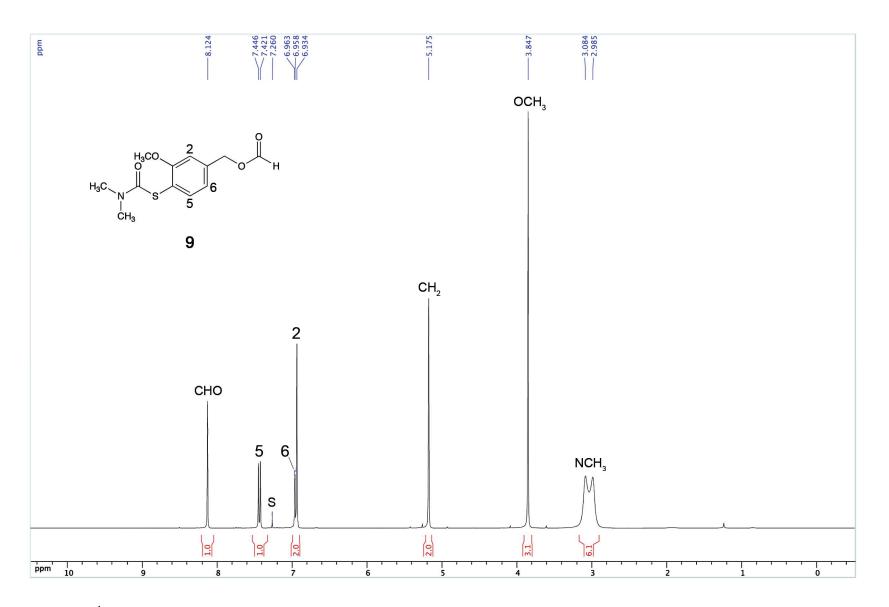


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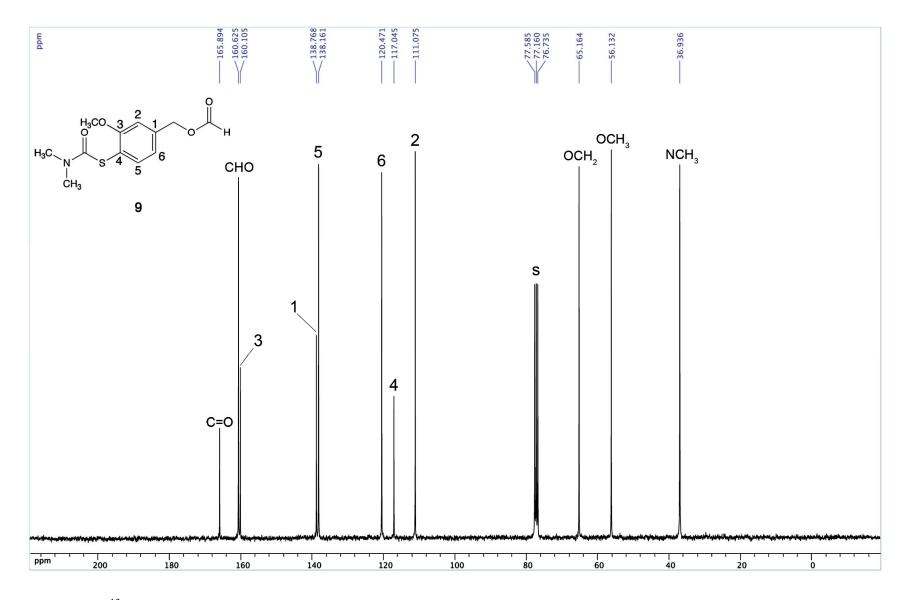


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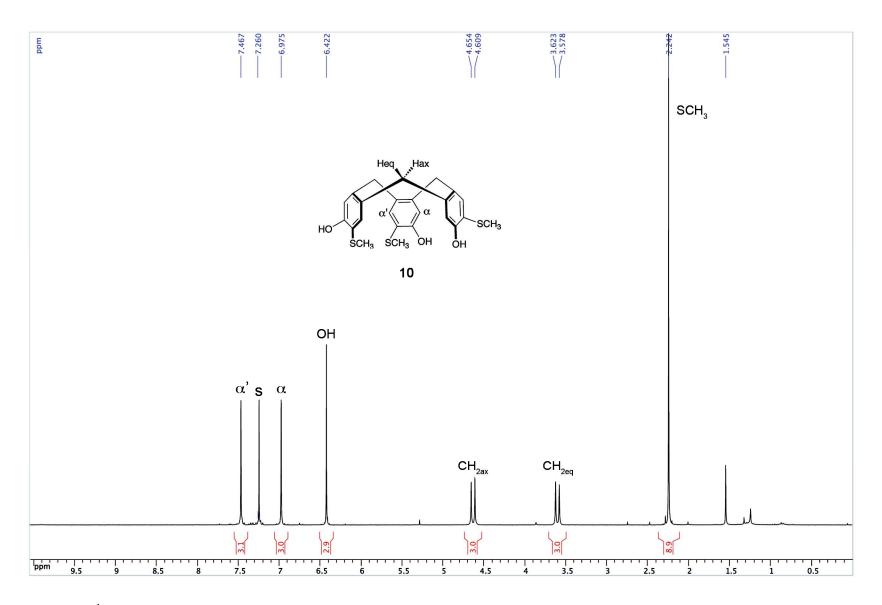


Figure S 23: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 10 (300 MHz, CDCl₃).

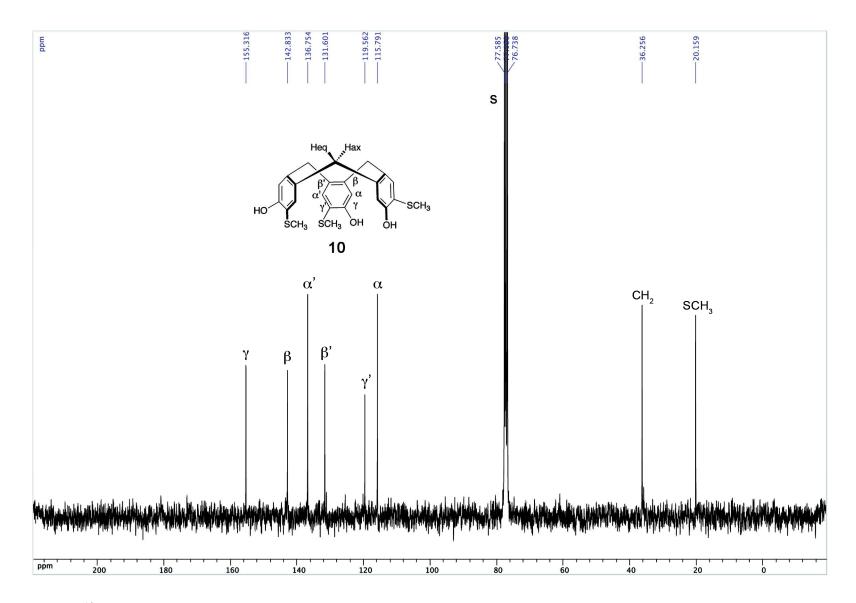


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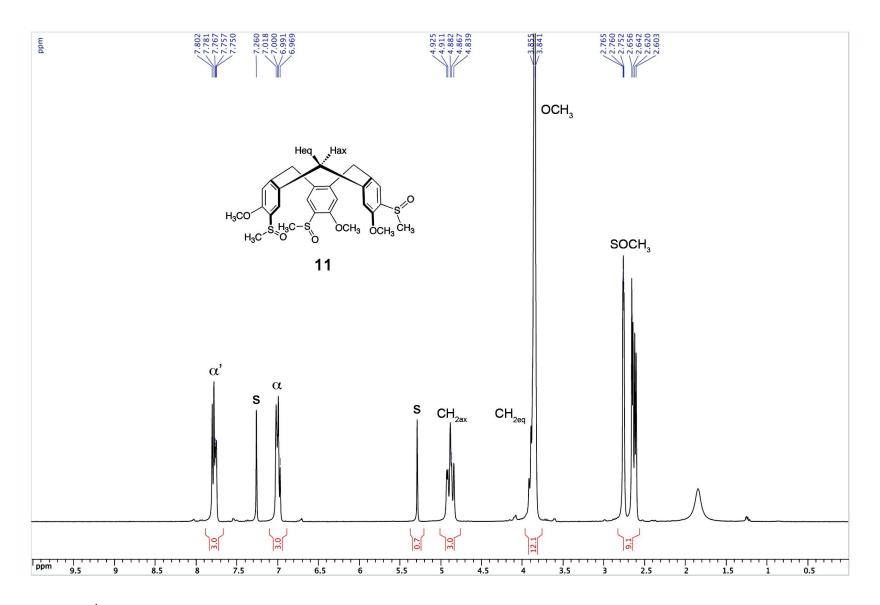


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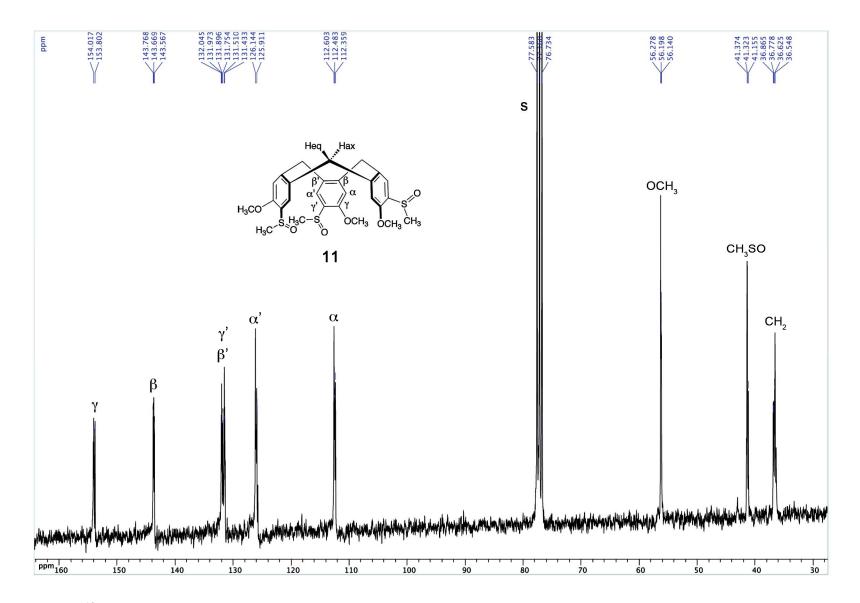


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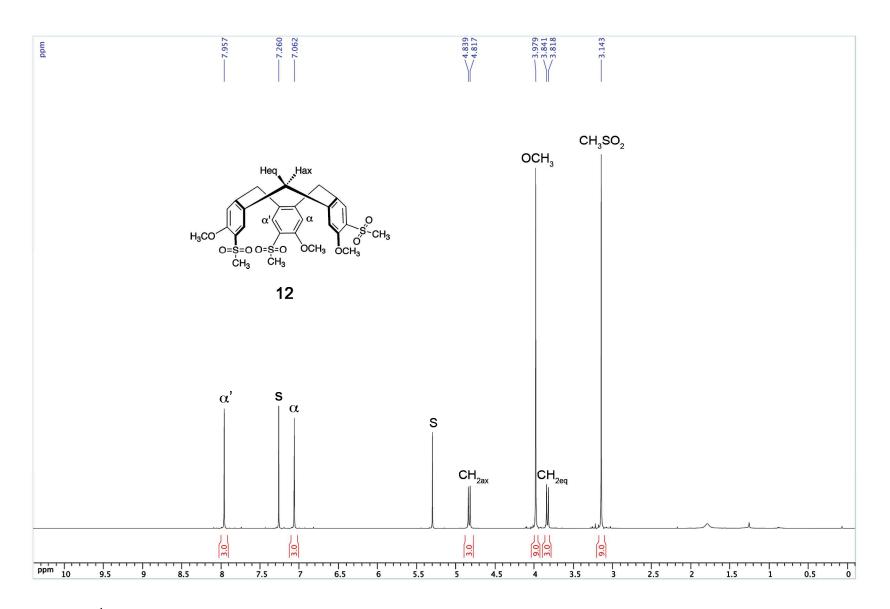


Figure S 27: ¹H NMR spectrum of compound 12 (300 MHz, CDCl₃).

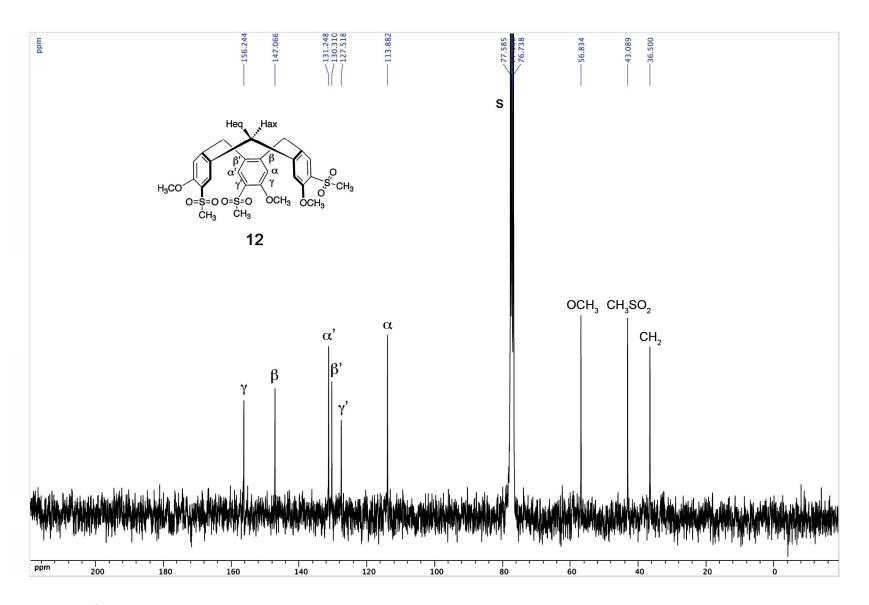


Figure S 28: ¹³C NMR spectrum of compound 12 (75 MHz, CDCl₃).