Supporting Information for

Substrate-Dependent Stereochemical Course of the (Z)-13 Desaturation Catalyzed by

the Processionary Moth Multifunctional Desaturase

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Experimental Section

General Methods. All commercially available chemicals and solvents were used without further purification as supplied with the following exceptions: dimethylformamide (DMF) and hexamethylphosphotriamide (HMPA) were distilled and kept over molecular sieves (3Å), diethyl ether and tetrahydrofuran (THF) were distilled over Na/benzophenone under inert atmosphere. All moisture- and air-sensitive reactions were carried out under a dry nitrogen or argon atmosphere with dry reagents and solvents in flame-dried round bottom flasks. All the organic extracts obtained from workup of crude reaction mixtures were dried over MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated with a rotatory evaporator under reduced pressure. C. antarctica lipase type B (CALB) was supplied as an immobilized preparation on a macroporous acrylic resin. Adsorption of T. lanuginosus lipase onto polypropylene support (EP100) was carried out following the methodology described by Gitlesen et al.¹ The activity of both immobilized lipase preparations was measured by use of the acylation of 1dodecanol in organic media.² Purification procedures were carried out by flash chromatography on silica gel (230-400 mesh) using compressed air, and most of the products were obtained as oils. Melting points (mp) were determined in soft glass capillary tubes and are uncorrected. Elemental analyses were conventional combustion analyses without discrimination between hydrogen and deuterium contents. LiAlD₄ and D_2 Deuterium content were 98% and 99.8%, respectively. Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using 0.2 mm silica gel coated Kieselgel 60 F₂₅₄ plates. Visualization of UV-inactive materials was accomplished by soaking the TLC plates in ethanolic solution of anisaldehyde and sulfuric acid (v/v/v, 96:2:2) or in ethanolic solution of phosphomolybdic acid (5%). Unless otherwise stated, most of ¹H NMR spectra were acquired at 500 MHz, and ¹³C NMR spectra, at 125 MHz in freshly neutralized CDCl₃ solutions, and chemical shifts are quoted in parts per million (ppm) on the δ scale downfield from Si(CH₃)₄ for ¹H, and CDCl₃ for ¹³C. GC/MS analysis was performed by chemical ionization (CI) using methane as ionization gas. All IR spectra were run in film. Optical rotations were measured at 25° in CHCl₃ solution at the specified concentration

(g/100 mL). Enantiomeric and diasteromeric excesses (ee and de) values were calculated by HPLC or NMR analysis of the corresponding (R)-(-)-MPA or (R)-(-)-9-AMA diastereomeric esters.

 $BrCH_2(CH_2)_4CH_2OMOM$ was prepared from 1,6-hexandiol in two steps on a multigram scale according a previously reported method.³

Preparation of alkynol 2. To a mixture of 3-butyn-1-ol (5.6 g, 80 mmol), 80 ml of dry HMPA and 100 ml of THF was added dropwise a solution of butyllitium (2.4 M) in hexanes (75 mL, 180 mmol) at -15° C. The resulting pale red mixture was stirred for 10 min and a solution of BrCH₂(CH₂)₄CH₂OMOM (9 g, 40 mmol) in 20 mL of THF was added dropwise at that temperature. Stirring was continued for 4 h at 0°C and then allowed to warm up to ambient temperature and stirred for another 12 h. The reaction mixture was poured into satd NaHCO₃ aqueous solution (200 ml) and extracted with hexane (3 x 150 ml). Solvent was evaporated and the residue purified by flash chromatography on silica gel using a gradient hexane/MTBE (0-35%) to afford 6.7 g of the expected alkynol **2** in 78% yield.

11,13-dioxatetradec-4-yn-1-ol (2). IR 3420, 2935, 2860, 1725, 1460, 1440, 1145, 1110, 1045, 920 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.68 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 3.52 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 2.43 (m, 2H), 2.17 (m, 2H), 2.03 (bb, 1H), 1.60 (m, 2H), 1.51 (m, 2H), 1.45-1.34 (ca, 4H); ¹³C NMR δ 96.3 (CH₂), 82.4 (C), 76.4 (C), 67.7 (CH₂), 61.3 (CH₂), 55.0 (CH₃), 29.5 (CH₂), 28.8 (CH₂), 28.6 (CH₂), 25.7 (CH₂), 23.1 (CH₂), 18.6 (CH₂); MS m/z 183 (100, M⁺⁺-CH₃O), 165 (55), 151 (20), 135 (30), 121 (35), 109 (50), 97 (50), 83 (60); Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₂₂O₃: C, 67.26; H, 10.35. Found: C, 67.25; H, 10.32.

Deuteration of alkynol 2. To a mixture of 6.45 g (30 mmol) of alkynol **2** and 0.93 g (1 mmol) of Wilkinson catalyst,⁴ 200 mL of degassed benzene was added under argon atmosphere to afford a reddish solution. The system was purged by a combination of vacuum and passing a D_2 stream throughout it, then D_2 atmosphere was kept from a balloon and the solution was stirred for 48 h. The mixture was filtered through a bed of Celite and the solvent evaporated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (0-3% MTBE/hexane) to give 5.06 g (75% yield) of the saturated tetradeuterated alcohol **3** after the eluent evaporation.

[**3,3,4,4-**²**H**₄]-**11,13-dioxatetradecan-1-ol (3)**. IR 3420, 2925, 2855, 2185, 2095, 1460, 1150, 1110, 1050, 920 cm ⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.63 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.52 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 1.63-1.51 (4H), 1.40-1.20 (8H); ¹³C NMR δ 96.2 (CH₂), 67.8 (CH₂), 62.8 (CH₂), 55.0 (CH₃), 32.4 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 29.2 (CH₂), 28.3 (CD₂, quint, *J* = 19 Hz), 26.1 (CH₂), 24.6 (CD₂, quint, *J* = 19 Hz); MS m/z 191 (100, M⁺-CH₃O), 161 (55), 151 (20), 141 (40); Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₂₂²H₄O₃: C, 64.82; H, 11.79. Found: C, 64.82; H, 11.62.

Preparation of 1-Bromoalkane 4. This reaction was accomplished according to the procedure described by Bates et al⁵ with some modifications. A solution of NBS (26 mmol, 4.63 g in 18 mL of DMF) was added dropwise at 0 °C to a stirred DMF solution (30 mL) containing 4.44 g (20 mmol) of the tetradeuterated alcohol and 6.84 g (26 mmol) of triphenylphosphine. Stirring was continued until TLC showed absence of starting material (ca. 1 h). The reaction was quenched by addition of 5 mL of methanol to the resulting pale

yellow mixture. After 5 minutes, ethyl ether was added, the organic layer washed with brine and carefully evaporated to dryness. Residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel using hexane (alkanes mixture) as eluent to obtain 4.50 g (79% yield) of the tetradeuterated bromide after solvent evaporation.

[3,3,4,4-²H₄]-1-Bromo-11,13-dioxatetradecane (4). IR 2925, 2855, 2190, 2095, 1460, 1440, 1280, 1215, 1145, 1110, 1050, 920 cm ⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.52 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 4H), 3.41 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 4H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 1.83 (t, *J*₁ = 7 Hz, 2H), 1.59 (m, 2H), 1.42-1.24 (ca, 8H); ¹³C NMR δ 96.2 (CH₂), 67.6 (CH₂), 54.9 (CH₃), 33.8 (CH₂), 32.4 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 29.2 (CH₂), 29.0 (CH₂), 27.6 (CD₂, quint, *J* = 19 Hz), 27.0 (CD₂, quint, *J* = 19 Hz), 26.1 (CH₂); MS m/z 287 (7, M^{*+}+1), 285 (9, M^{*+}+1), 255 (45), 253 (50), 225 (40), 223 (55), 173 (100), 155 (40), 141 (25), 123 (15), 111 (75), 97 (50). Calcd for C₁₂H₂₁²H₄BrO₂: C, 50.53; H, 8.87. Found: C, 50.52; H, 8.92.

Kinetic enzymatic resolution of alkynols 5. Reactions were performed in 250 ml sealed round bottom flasks. To a mixture of the racemic alkynol 12 g (101 mmol) and inmobilized lipase type B from *C. antarctica* (**5a**; 1 g , **5b**; 2.2 g) in 120 mL of diisopropyl ether was added vinyl acetate (17 mL, 180 mmol). The resulting mixture was reciprocally shaken (125 rpm) at ambient temperature until GC analysis showed a 45% conversion. The chilled suspension was filtered off, the solid washed with diethyl ether and the solvent was carefully distilled to give a residue that was purified by column chromatography on silica gel. A gradient of diethyl ether in pentane (0-30%) and a careful distillation of the eluent allowed the separation of the corresponding acetate ((*S*)-(-)-**6a**; 86% ee, ((*R*)-(+)-**6b**; 76% ee) from the complementary enantiomerically enriched alkynol ((*R*)-(+)-**6a**; 80% ee, ((*S*)-(+)-**6b**; 76% ee). Acetate hydrolysis and a second chemoenzymatic resolution (**a**; 80% conversion, **b**; 70% conversion) afforded the enantiomerically pure acetates **6**.

(*S*)-(-)-3-Acetoxy-1-hexyne (6a). In this case, after both consecutive resolutions 4.2 g were obtained (29%) with 98% ee. IR 3295, 2965, 2935, 2875, 1745 (CO), 1450, 1375, 1235, 1020 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 5.36 (dt, $J_1 = 7$ Hz, $J_2 = 2$ Hz, 1H), 2.45 (d, J = 2 Hz, 1H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 1.82-1.70 (2H), 1.53-1.38 (2H), 0.95 (t, J = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 170.0 (CO), 81.3 (C), 73.3 (CH), 63.6, 36.5 (CH₂), 21.0 (CH₃), 18.2 (CH₂), 13.9 (CH₃); MS m/z 141 (15, M⁺+1), 99 (100); Anal. Calcd for C₈H₁₂O₂: C, 68.54; H 8.63, Found: C; 68.47 H, 8.65; [α]_D= -110.8 (c 1, CHCl₃, 96% ee).

(*R*)-(+)-3-Acetoxy-5-hexyne (6b) In this case, after both consecutive resolutions 3.1 g were obtained (22%) with 96% ee. IR 3300, 2965, 2940, 2885, 1730 (CO), 1460, 1430, 1375, 1235, 1020 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 4.88 (m, 1H), 2.48 (m, 2H), 2.08 (s, 3H), 2.00 (t, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 1.82-1.64 (2H), 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 170.6 (CO), 79.6 (C), 72.8 (CH), 70.2 (CH), 25.8 (CH₂), 23.3 (CH₂), 21.0 (CH₃), 9.4 (CH₃); MS m/z 141 (75, M⁺⁺+1), 101 (100); Anal. Calcd for C₈H₁₂O₂: C, 68.54; H 8.63, Found: C; 68.49 H, 8.55; [α]_D= +62.0 (c 1, CHCl₃, 94% ee).

Acetate Saponification. Enantiomerically pure alcohols 5 were obtained by treatment of the corresponding acetoxy derivatives 6 (0.1 mmol/mL) with a mixture of K_2CO_3 in MeOH (20 mg/mL). Reaction evolution was monitored by TLC (16 h) and then the reaction mixture was neutralized with HCl (2 N), extracted with ethyl ether and the resulting solvent

mixture distilled. The final residue was purified by column chromatography (silica gel, pentane:diethyl ether 7:3) yielding the oily pure alkynols after eluent elimination.

(*S*)-(-)-1-Hexyn-3-ol ((*S*)-(-)-5a). This compound was isolated (2.45 g, 85% yield) starting from 4.20 g of acetate $[\alpha]_D$ = -15.2 (c 1, CHCl₃, 96% ee); (*R*)-(-)-5-Hexyn-3-ol ((*R*)-(-)-5b), This compound was isolated (1.82 g, 81% yield) starting from 3.20 g of acetate $[\alpha]_D$ = -4.0 (c 1, CHCl₃, 94% ee).

Preparation of alkynols 7. Coupling of alkynol **5** with bromoderivative **4** was similarly performed by the above described procedure for the preparation of compound **2**. Thus, to a solution of the corresponding enantiomerically resolved or enriched alkynol **5** (16 mmol) dissolved in 25 ml of dry HMPA and 25 ml of THF was added dropwise a solution of butyllitium (2.5 M) in hexanes (15 mL, 37.5 mmol) at -15° C. The resulting mixture was stirred for 10 min and a solution of **4** (BrCH₂CH₂CD₂CD₂(CH₂)₆OMOM) (2.30 g, 8 mmol) in 5 mL of THF was added dropwise at that temperature. Stirring was continued for 6 h at 0°C and then 10 h at room temperature. The reaction mixture was then poured into satd. NaHCO₃ (100 ml) and extracted with hexane (3 x 60 ml). Solvent was evaporated and the residue purified by flash chromatography on silica gel using a gradient hexane/MTBE (0-35%) to give the expected alkynols **7** with high yields.

[9,9,10,10⁻²H₄]-17,19-dioxa-5-icosyn-4-ol (7a). IR 3455, 2930, 2860, 2190, 2095, 1460, 1150, 1110, 1045, 920 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 4.62 (s, 2H), 4.36 (m, 1H), 3.52 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 2.19 (dt, *J*₁ = 7 Hz, *J*₂ = 2 Hz, 2H), 1.74 (bs, 1H), 1.72-1.54 (4H), 1.54-1.40 (4H), 1.40-1.18 (10H), 0.95 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 96.3 (CH₂), 85.4 (C), 81.3 (C), 67.8 (CH₂), 62.4 (CH), 55.0 (CH₃), 40.3 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.1 (CH₂), 28.4 (CH₂), 28.1 (CD₂, quint, *J* = 19 Hz), 28.0 (CD₂, quint, *J* = 19 Hz), 26.2 (CH₂), 18.6 (CH₂), 18.5 (CH₂), 13.7 (CH₃); MS m/z (CI) 285 (M⁺⁺+1–H₂O, 15), 269 (10), 253 (100), 241 (50), 151 (15), 139 (22), 125 (20), 111 (20), 97 (25);. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₃₀²H₄O₃: C, 71.47; H, 11.34 Found: C, 71.54; H, 11.37.

(*S*)-(-)-7a. This compound was obtained (2.10 g, 87% yield) from enantiomerically pure alkynol (*S*)-(-)-5a $[\alpha]_D$ = -4.0 (c 2, CHCl₃, 96% ee).

Enantiomerically enriched (**R**)-(+)-7**a**. This compound was obtained (1.91 g, 79% yield) from enantiomerically enriched alkynol (**R**)-(+)-5**a** in 90% yield $[\alpha]_D$ = +3.0 (c 2, CHCl₃, 76% ee).

[9,9,10,10-²**H**₄**]-17,19-dioxa-5-icosyn-3-ol (7b).** IR 3475, 2930, 2855, 2185, 2095, 1455, 1150, 1110, 1040, 920 cm ⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.62 (m, 1H), 3.52 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 2.41 (m, 1H), 2.27 (m, 1H), 2.20-2.13 (m, 2H), 1.98 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H) 1.62-1.51 (4H), 1.47 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 1.40-1.22 (10H), 0.96 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 96.3 (CH₂), 83.0 (C), 76.0 (C), 71.4 (CH), 67.8 (CH₂), 55.0 (CH₃), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 29.1 (CH₂), 29.0 (CH₂), 28.7 (CH₂), 28.2 (CD₂, quint, *J* = 19 Hz), 28.0 (CD₂, quint, *J* = 19 Hz), 27.2 (CH₂), 26.1 (CH₂), 18.6 (CH₂), 9.8 (CH₃); MS m/z 285 (M⁺⁺+1-H₂O, 4), 271 (100), 253 (40), 241 (20), 213 (25), 195 (10), 181 (5), 167 (10), 153 (15), 139 (15), 125 (20), 111 (20), 97 (20);. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₃₀²H₄O₃: C, 71.47; H, 11.34 Found: C, 71.45; H, 11.58.

(*R*)-(-)-7b. This compound was obtained (1.71 g, 71% yield) from enantiomerically pure alkynol (*R*)-(-)-5b; $[\alpha]_D$ = -4.0 (c 2, CHCl₃, 94% ee).

Enantiomerically enriched (*S*)-(+)-7b. This compound was obtained (1.76 g, 73% yield) from enantiomerically enriched alkynol (*S*)-(+)-5b; $[\alpha]_D = +2.5$ (c 2, CHCl₃, 76% ee).

Kinetic enzymatic resolution of enantiomerically enriched alkynols (*R*)-(+)-7a and (*S*)-(+)-7b. In this case, resolutions were performed using inmobilized lipase from *Thermomyces lanuginosus* (TL) in 250 ml sealed round bottom flasks. To a mixture of the corresponding enantiomerically enriched alcohol 7 (4 mmol) and inmobilized lipase (EP100, 5 g) in 100 mL of diisopropyl ether was added vinyl acetate (0.74 mL, 8 mmol). The resulting mixture was reciprocally shaken (125 rpm) at room temperature. The reaction evolution was followed by GC and quenched according to the initial enantiomeric excess. The suspension was filtered off, the solid support washed with Et₂O and the solvent was evaporated under vacuum to give a residue that was purified by column chromatography on silica gel. A gradient of MTBE in hexane (0-30%) allowed the separation of the formed acetate **8** from the residual alcohol **7**.

(*R*)-(+)-[9,9,10,10⁻²H₄]-4-Acetoxy-17,19-dioxa-5-icosyne ((*R*)-(+)-8a). This acetate was obtained as an enantiomerically pure compound (1.10 g, 78% yield, 82% conversion) starting from 1.21 g (4 mmol) of alkynol (*R*)-(+)-7a; IR 2930, 2855, 2190, 2100, 1740, 1460, 1370, 1225, 1150, 1105, 1045, 915 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 5.36 (tt, *J*₁ = 7 Hz, *J*₂ = 2 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.52 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 2.19 (dt, *J*₁ = 7 Hz, *J*₂ = 2 Hz, 2H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 1.71 (m, 2H), 1.59 (m, 2H), 1.52-1.40 (m, 4H), 1.40-1.20 (m, 8H), 0.94 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 169.8 (CO), 96.3 (CH₂), 86.0 (C), 77.6 (C), 67.7 (CH₂), 64.3 (CH), 54.9 (CH₃), 37.1 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 29.0 (CH₂), 28.1 (CH₂), 28.0 (CD₂, quint, *J* = 19 Hz), 27.9 (CD₂, quint, *J* = 19 Hz), 26.1 (CH₂), 20.9 (CH₃), 18.5 (CH₂), 18.2 (CH₂), 13.5 (CH₃); MS m/z 345 (M⁺⁺+1, 2), 343 (M⁺⁺-1, 3), 313 (5), 285 (15), 271 (10), 253 (100), 235 (15), 165 (25), 151 (20), 137 (25), 123 (30), 109 (25), 95 (15). Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₃₂²H₄O₄: C, 69.72; H, 10.54 Found: C 69.41; H, 10.66; [α]_D= +58.0 (c 2, CHCl₃, 98% ee).

(*S*)-(+)-[9,9,10,10-²H₄]-17,19-dioxa-5-icosyn-3-ol (*S*)-(+)-7b. This alkynol was obtained enantiomerically pure (0.82 g, 68% yield) starting from alkynol (*S*)-(+)-7b (60% of initial ee) after a 30% enzymatic conversion to the unwanted acetate. IR 3475, 2930, 2855, 2185, 2095, 1455, 1150, 1110, 1040, 920 cm ⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.62 (m, 1H), 3.52 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 2.41 (m, 1H), 2.27 (m, 1H), 2.20-2.13 (m, 2H), 1.98 (d, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H) 1.62-1.51 (4H), 1.47 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 1.40-1.22 (10H), 0.96 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 96.3 (CH₂), 83.0 (C), 76.0 (C), 71.4 (CH), 67.8 (CH₂), 55.0 (CH₃), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 29.1 (CH₂), 29.0 (CH₂), 28.7 (CH₂), 28.2 (CD₂, quint, *J* = 19 Hz), 28.0 (CD₂, quint, *J* = 19 Hz), 27.2 (CH₂), 26.1 (CH₂), 18.6 (CH₂), 9.8 (CH₃); MS m/z 285 (M⁺+1-H₂O, 4), 271 (100), 253 (40), 241 (20), 213 (25), 195 (10), 181 (5), 167 (10), 153 (15), 139 (15), 125 (20), 111 (20), 97 (20);. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₃₀²H₄O₃: C, 71.47; H, 11.34 Found: C, 71.45; H, 11.58; [α]_D= +4 (c 2, CHCl₃, 94% ee).

Acetate Saponification of (*R*)-(+)-8a. Alkynol (*R*)-(+)-7a (1.03 g, 3 mmol) was obtained by treatment of acetate (*R*)-(+)-8a with a mixture of K₂CO₃ in MeOH (250 mg/10 mL) for 16 h. Neutralization with HCl (1 N), followed by the usual work up and purification by flash chromatography on silica gel according the above conditions allowed obtaining the pure alcohol in high yields. (*R*)-(+)-7a (0.81 g, 90%); $[\alpha]_D = +4.0$ (c 2, 96% ee).

Hydrogenation of methoxymethane protected alkynols 8. General Procedure.

To a mixture of alkynol **7** (0.76 g, 2,5 mmol) and 275 mg (0.3 mmol) of RhCl(PPh₃)₃, was added 15 mL of degassed benzene. The reaction mixture was purged passing a stream of H₂ through, then H₂ atmosphere was kept from the balloon and the solution was stirred for 48 h. The mixture was filtered through a bed of Celite and the solvent was evaporated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (0-30% MTBE/hexane) to give the pure stereoisomer **9** (64-86% yields).

[9,9,10,10-²**H**₄**]-17,19-dioxaicosan-4-ol** (**9a**). IR 3440, 2930, 2850, 2185, 2090, 1460, 1150, 1110, 1045, 915 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.59 (m, 1H), 3.52 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 1.65-1.51 (2H), 1.51-1.20 (18H), 0.93 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 96.3 (CH₂), 71.6 (CH), 67.8 (CH₂), 55.0 (CH₃), 39.6 (CH₂), 37.5 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.5 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 28.8 (quint, *J* = 18 Hz, CD₂), 28.5 (quint, *J* = 18 Hz, CD₂), 26.2 (CH₂), 25.6 (CH₂), 18.8 (CH₂), 14.1 (CH₃); MS *m*/*z* 289 (M⁺+1-H₂O, 15), 273 (35), 257 (100), 245 (75), 231 (25), 207 (20), 151 (30), 137 (35), 111 (45), 97 (70); Calcd for C₁₈H₃₄²H₄O₃: C, 70.53; H, 12.50 Found: C 70.60; H, 12.56; Compounds (*S*)-**9a** (0.47 g, 62% yield; [α]_D = +0.5 (c=3, CHCl₃) and (*R*)-**9a** (0.48 g, 64% yield; [α]_D = -0.7 (c=2, CHCl₃) were obtained from compounds (*S*)-**7a** and (*R*)-**7a**, respectively.

[9,9,10,10-²**H**₄**]-17,19-dioxaicosan-3-ol** (**9b**). IR 3430, 2925, 2855, 2185, 2085, 1460, 1150, 1105, 1035, 920 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.59 (m, 1H), 3.52 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 1.65-1.20 (20H), 0.94 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 96.3 (CH₂), 73.2 (CH), 67.8 (CH₂), 55.0 (CH₃), 36.9 (CH₂), 30.1 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.5 (CH₂), 29.5 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 28.5 (quint, *J* = 18 Hz, CD₂), 26.2 (CH₂), 25.6 (CH₂), 9.8 (CH₃); MS *m*/*z* 289 (M⁺⁺+1-H₂O, 10), 273 (40), 257 (100), 245 (80), 229 (20), 216 (10), 169 (10), 155 (15), 138 (30), 127 (25), 113 (30), 99 (35); Calcd for C₁₈H₃₄²H₄O₃: C, 70.53; H, 12.50 Found: C 70.47; H, 12.36; Compounds (*S*)-**9b** (0.62 g, 82% yield; [α]_D = +4.5 (c=3, CHCl₃) and (*R*)-**9b** (0.64 g, 84% yield; [α]_D = -4.6 (c=3, CHCl₃) were obtained from compounds (*S*)-**7b** and (*R*)-**7b**, respectively.

Preparation of Mesyl Esters 10. General Procedure These products were prepared by the procedure described by Abad *et al.*⁶ A solution of saturated alcohol **9** (0.45 g, 1.5 mmol) and Et₃N (675 μ L, 4.5 mmol) in 20 ml of CH₂Cl₂ was treated with CH₃SO₂Cl (160 μ L, 2 mmol) and the mixture was stirred under argon for 2 h at ambient temperature (TLC monitoring). The reaction mixture was washed with H₂O (2 x 5 mL), dried, concentrated and the residue purified by flash chromatography on silica gel using as eluent hexane/MTBE 85:15 to give the expected products in 87-90% yields).

[9,9,10,10-²H₄]-17,19-dioxaicosan-4-yl methanesulfonate 10a. IR 2930, 2850, 2185, 2090, 1460, 1355, 1170, 1110, 1045, 905 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 4.71 (m, *J* = 6 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.52 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 3.00 (s, 3H), 1.76-1.54 (6H), 1.50-1.20 (14H), 0.95 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 96.2 (CH₂), 83.9 (CH₂), 67.7 (CH₂), 54.9 (CH₂), 38.5 (CH₃), 36.4 (CH₂), 34.4 (CH₂), 34.3 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 29.2 (CH₂), 29.2 (CH₂), 29.1 (CH₂), 28.4 (quint, *J* = 19 Hz, CD₂), 28.3 (quint, *J* = 19 Hz, CD₂), 26.1 (CH₂), 24.8 (CH₂), 18.2 (C), 13.7 (CH₃); Compounds (*S*)-(-)-10a (0.52 g, 90%; [α]= -3.0 (c=3, CHCl₃) and (*R*)-(+)-10a (502 mg, 87%; [α]_D = +3.0 (c=3, CHCl₃) were obtained from (*S*)-9a and (*R*)-9a, respectively.

[9,9,10,10-²H₄]-17,19-dioxaicosan-3-yl methanesulfonate 10b. IR 2930, 2850, 2185, 2090, 1460, 1355, 1170, 1110, 1045, 905 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 4.66 (quint, *J* = 6 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.52 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 3.00 (s, 3H), 1.81-1.54 (6H), 1.50-1.20 (14H), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 96.3 (CH₂), 85.2 (CH), 67.8 (CH), 54.9 (CH₃), 38.5 (CH₃), 33.9 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.5 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 29.2 (CH₂), 29.2 (CH₂), 28.5 (quint, *J* = 19 Hz, CD₂), 27.3 (CH₂), 26.1 (CH₂), 24.9 (CH₂), 9.1 (CH₃); Compounds (*S*)-10b (0.51 g, 88%; [α]_D = ±0.0 (c=3, CHCl₃)) and (*R*)-10b (504 mg, 87%; [α]_D = ±0.0 (c=3, CHCl₃)) were obtained from (*S*)-9b and (*R*)-9b, respectively.

Reduction of mesylates . General Procedure. Mesyl derivative **10** was dissolved in Et_2O (14 ml) and treated with $LiAlD_4$ (8 molar equiv.) for 36 h at 20 °C (TLC monitoring). The reaction mixture was quenched by carefully adding of stechiometric amounts of H_2O , the resulting white precipitate was filtered out through Celite and the organic layer concentrated to give a residue that after purification by flash chromatography on silica gel using a gradient of 0-10% MTBE in hexane, gave the corresponding pure deuterated products **11** with 93-98% yields.

[11,11,12,12,17-²**H**₅**]-2,4-dioxaicosane (11a).** Compounds (*S*)-**11a** (362 mg, 93%) and (*R*)-**11a** (360 mg, 95%) were obtained from 0.52 g (1.35 mmol) of (*S*)-**10a** and 0.50 g (1.30 mmol) of (*R*)-**10a**, respectively; IR 2955, 2925, 2855, 2185, 2140, 2090, 1730, 1465, 1375, 1150, 1100, 1045, 915 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.52 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.36 (s, 3H) 1.63-1.55 (2H), 1.40-1.18 (17H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 96.4 (CH₂), 67.8 (CH₂), 55.0 (CH₃), 31.8 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.5 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 28.9 (t, *J* = 19 Hz, CHD), 28.7 (quint, *J* = 19 Hz, CD₂), 28.6 (quint, *J* = 19 Hz, CD₂), 26.2 (CH₂), 22.6 (CH₂), 14.0 (CH₃); MS *m*/*z* 309 (M⁺⁺+28+1, 5), 290 (M⁺⁺-1, 20), 274 (10), 260 (100), 246 (20), 230 (45); Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₃₃²H₅O₂: C, 74.16; H, 13.15. Found: C, 74.03; H, 13.19.

[11,11,12,12,18-²**H**₅**]-2,4-dioxaicosane (11b).** Compounds (*S*)-**11b** (378 mg, 98%) and (*R*)-**11b** (361 mg, 94%) were obtained from 0.51 g (1.35 mmol) of (*S*)-**10b** and 0.50 g (1.30 mmol) of (*R*)-**10b**, respectively; IR 2925, 2850, 2185, 2140, 2090, 1465, 1380, 1210, 1150, 1110, 1045, 920 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.52 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.36 (s, 3H) 1.63-1.55 (2H), 1.40-1.18 (17H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 96.3 (CH₂), 67.8 (CH₂), 55.0 (CH₃), 31.5 (t, *J* = 19 Hz, CHD), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 28.9 (quint, *J* = 19 Hz, CD₂), 28.6 (quint, *J* = 19 Hz, CD₂), 26.2 (CH₂), 22.6 (CH₂), 14.0 (CH₃); MS *m*/*z* 309 (M⁺⁺+28+1, 5), 290 (M⁺⁺-1, 25), 274 (M⁺⁺-2, 90), 260 (100), 246 (20), 230 (45), 128 (15), 113 (10), 99 (15). Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₃₃²H₅O₂: C, 74.16; H, 13.15. Found: C, 74.03; H, 13.19.

Alcohol deprotection. General Procedure. Enantiotopically deuterated compounds 11a and 11b were deprotected to the corresponding alcohols by treatment with a 0.5M solution of HCl in MeOH for 36 h at ambient temperature (1 mmol/10 mL). The solution was neutralized with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃, concentrated and the residue extracted with CH₂Cl₂, dried, and purified by flash chromatography on silica gel using a gradient of 0-30% MTBE in hexane, obtaining the corresponding pure deuterated alcohols in 83-90% yields.

[7,7,8,8,13⁻²H₅]-1-hexadecanol (12a) Compounds (*S*)-12a (212 mg, 86%) and (*R*)-12a (220 mg, 89%) were isolated from 292 mg of (*S*)-11a and (*R*)-11a, respectively; m.p. 48-49 °C; IR 3260, 2960, 2915, 2850, 2175, 2130, 2075, 1460, 1210, 1060, 755 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 3.63

(t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 1.64-1.48 (2H), 1.48-1.18 (21H), 0.88 (t, J = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 62.7 (CH₂), 32.7 (CH₂), 31.8 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.5 (CH₂), 29.5 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 28.9 (t, J = 19 Hz, CHD), 28.6 (quint, J = 19 Hz, CD₂), 25.8 (CH₂), 22.6 (CH₂), 14.0 (CH₃); MS *m*/*z* 246 (M⁺⁺-1, 100), 230 (95), 187 (5), 173 (10), 158 (15), 144 (10), 129 (10), 114 (10), 100 (15). Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₉²H₅O: C, 77.65; H, 13.86. Found: C, 77.57; H, 13.69.

[7,7,8,8,14-²H₅]-1-hexadecanol (12b) Compounds (*S*)-12b (230 mg, 93%) and (*R*)-12b (223 mg, 90%) were obtained from 292 mg of (*S*)-11b and (*R*)-11b, respectively; m.p. 48-50 °C; IR 3330, 2955, 2915, 2850, 2175, 2135, 2080, 1460, 1210, 1060, 755 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 3.64 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 1.64-1.48 (2H), 1.48-1.18 (21H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 62.8 (CH₂), 32.7 (CH₂), 31.5 (t, *J* = 19 Hz, CHD), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 29.2 (CH₂), 28.9 (quint, *J* = 19 Hz, CD₂), 28.6 (quint, *J* = 19 Hz, CD₂), 25.7 (CH₂), 22.5 (CH₂), 14.0 (CH₃); MS *m*/*z* 246 (M⁺⁺-1, 100), 230 (95), 187 (5), 173 (10), 158 (15), 144 (10), 129 (10), 114 (10), 100 (15); Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₉²H₅O: C, 77.65; H, 13.86 Found: C, 77.58; H, 13.71.

Preparation of Carboxylic Acids. Compounds **1** were prepared according to a method previously reported involving the alcohol oxidation in two steps.³

[7,7,8,8,13⁻²H₅]-hexadecanoic acid 1a. Compounds (*S*)-1a (102 mg, 78%) and (*R*)-1a (106 mg, 81%) were obtained from 124 mg (0.5 mmol) of alcohols (*S*)-12a and (*R*)-12a, respectively. m.p. 60-62; IR 3020, 2915, 2850, 2175, 2125, 2080, 1695, 1460, 1405, 1295, 1200, 935, 755 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 2.35 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.68-1.58 (m, 2H), 1.40-1.16 (21H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 180.5 (CO), 34.1 (CH₂), 31.8 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.2 (CH₂), 29.1 (CH₂), 28.9 (t, *J* = 19 Hz, CHD), 28.6 (quint, *J* = 19 Hz, CD₂), 28.6 (quint, *J* = 19 Hz, CD₂), 24.7 (CH₂), 22.7 (CH₂), 14.1 (CH₃); MS m/z (Methyl ester), 304 (20, M⁺⁺+28), 276 (100, M⁺⁺+1); Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₇²H₅O₂: C, 73.50; H, 12.34 Found: C, 73.44; H, 12.14.

[7,7,8,8,14-²H₅]-hexadecanoic acid 1b. Compounds (*S*)-1b (104 mg, 79%) and (*R*)-1b (105 mg, 80%) were obtained from 124 mg (0.5 mmol) of (*S*)-12b and (*R*)-12b, respectively. m.p. 60-62°; IR 3020, 2915, 2850, 2180, 2135, 2080, 1700, 1460, 1405, 1295, 1210, 940, 755 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 2.35 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.68-1.58 (m, 2H), 1.40-1.16 (21H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 180.5 (CO), 34.1 (CH₂), 31.5 (t, *J* = 19 Hz, CHD), (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 29.2 (CH₂), 29.1 (CH₂), 28.7 (quint, *J* = 19 Hz, CD₂), 28.6 (quint, *J* = 19 Hz, CD₂), 24.7 (CH₂), 22.6 (CH₂), 14.0 (CH₃); MS m/z (Methyl ester), 304 (20, M⁺+28), 276 (100, M⁺+1); Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₇²H₅O₂: C, 73.50; H, 12.34 Found: C, 73.46; H, 12.10.

Aryl acetic esters preparation of the different stereoisomers of alkynols 5 and 7 (13 and 14). Carbodiimide (ECD, 0.14 mmol) was added to a mixture of the corresponding alcohol (0.10 mmol), DMAP (0.10 mmol) and (R)-(-)-MPA (or 9-AMA) (0.14 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (3 ml). The mixture was stirred for 2 h at room temperature, washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution and the organic layer concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel using a gradient of 0-20% MTBE in hexane (75-90% isolated yields).

(*S*)-3-Hex-1-ynyl-(*R*)-α-O-methyl-α-phenyl acetate (Ester (*S*)-13a) (From CALB resolved acetate). IR 3290, 2960, 2930, 2870, 1750 (CO), 1450, 1240, 1170, 1100, 990 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 7.50-7.41 (2H), 7.40-7.30 (3H), 5.40 (dt, $J_1 = 6.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 2$ Hz, 1H), 4.79 (s, 1H), 3.43 (s, 3H), 2.46 (d, J = 2 Hz, 1H), 1.68-1.55 (2H), 1.29-1.12 (2H), 0.78 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 169.6 (CO), 135.9 (C), 128.7 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 82.2 (CH), 80.7 (CH), 73.9 (C), 64.1 (CH), 57.3 (CH₃), 36.3 (CH₂), 17.7 (CH₂), 13.3 (CH₃); [α]_D = -112.0 (c 2, CHCl₃, 96% de).

(*R*)-3-Hex-1-ynyl-(*R*)-α-O-methyl-α-phenyl acetate (Ester (*R*)-13a) (From CALB residual alcohol). IR 3290, 2960, 2930, 2870, 1750 (CO), 1450, 1240, 1170, 1110, 990 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 7.50-7.42 (2H), 7.42-7.30 (3H), 5.40 (dt, $J_1 = 6.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 2$ Hz, 1H), 4.79 (s, 1H), 3.43 (s, 3H), 2.36 (d, J = 2 Hz, 1H), 1.82-1.70 (2H), 1.48-1.36 (2H), 0.92 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 169.6 (CO), 135.6 (C), 128.6 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 127.0 (CH), 82.4 (CH), 80.3 (CH), 73.8 (C), 64.3 (CH), 57.2 (CH₃), 36.3 (CH₂), 18.0 (CH₂), 13.4 (CH₃); [α]_D = -10.6 (c 2, CHCl₃, 60% de).

(*R*)-3-Hex-5-ynyl-(*R*)-α-O-methyl-α-phenyl acetate (Ester (*R*)-13b) (From CALB resolved acetate). IR 3300, 2975, 2940, 2875, 1750 (CO), 1460, 1260, 1185, 1100 cm⁻¹; ⁻¹H NMR δ 7.50-7.42 (2H), 7.42-7.30 (3H), 4.94 (m, 1H), 4.78 (s, 1H), 3.44 (s, 3H), 2.33 (m, 2H), 1.81 (t, J = 3 Hz, 1H), 1.80-1.62 (2H), 0.88 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 170.4 (CO), 136.2 (C), 128.6 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 127.1 (CH), 82.6 (CH), 79.1 (CH), 73.8 (C), 70.3 (CH), 57.3 (CH₃), 25.9 (CH₂), 23.2 (CH₂), 9.3 (CH₃); [α]_D = -62.0 (c 1, CHCl₃, 94% de).

(*S*)-3-Hex-5-ynyl-(*R*)-α-O-methyl-α-phenyl acetate (Ester (*S*)-13b) (From CALB residual alcohol). IR 3310, 2975, 2940, 1745 (CO), 1460, 1245, 1180, 1100 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 7.50-7.42 (2H), 7.42-7.30 (3H), 4.92 (m, 1H), 4.78 (s, 1H), 3.43 (s, 3H), 2.48 (m, 2H), 1.97 (t, J = 3 Hz, 1H), 1.68-1.50 (2H), 0.63 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 170.3 (CO), 136.3 (C), 128.7 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 82.5 (CH), 79.4 (CH), 73.8 (C), 70.4 (CH), 57.3 (CH₃), 25.9 (CH₂), 23.6 (CH₂), 9.0 (CH₃); [α]_D = -100.6 (c 1, CHCl₃, 64% de).

(*S*)-[9,9,10,10⁻²H₄]-17,19-dioxa-4-eico-5-ynyl-(*R*)-α-O-methyl-α-phenyl acetate (Ester (*S*)-14a) (From CALB resolved acetate). IR 2935, 2850, 2190, 2090, 1750 (CO), 1455, 1245, 1150, 1110, 1050, 920 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 7.47-7.41 (2H), 7.39-7.28 (3H), 5.41 (tt, $J_1 = 6.5 \text{ Hz}$, $J_2 = 2 \text{ Hz}$, 1H), 4.78 (s, 1H), 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.52 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.42 (s, 3H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 2.17 (dt, $J_1 = 7 \text{ Hz}$, $J_2 = 2 \text{ Hz}$, 2H), 1.65-1.52 (4H), 1.45 (t, J = 7 Hz, 3H), 1.42-1.10 (10H), 0.77 (t, J = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 169.7 (CO), 136.1 (C), 128.6 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 96.3 (CH₂), 86.6 (C), 82.3 (CH), 77.3 (C), 67.8 (CH₂), 65.0 (CH), 57.3 (CH₃), 55.0 (CH₃), 36.9 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.1 (CH₂), 28.1 (CH₂), 26.1 (CH₂), 18.5 (CH₂), 17.9 (CH₂), 13.3 (CH₃); [α]_D = -60.6 (c 2, CHCl₃, 96% de).

(*R*)-[9,9,10,10-²H₄]-17,19-dioxa-4-eico-5-ynyl-(*R*)-α-O-methyl-α-phenyl-acetate (Ester (*R*)-14a) (From CALB residual alcohol). IR 2935, 2850, 2190, 2090, 1750 (CO), 1455, 1245, 1150, 1110, 1050, 920 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 7.47-7.41 (2H), 7.39-7.28 (3H), 5.40 (tt, $J_1 = 6.5$ Hz, $J_2 = 2$ Hz, 1H), 4.78 (s, 1H), 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.52 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.43 (s, 3H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 2.09 (dt, $J_1 = 7$ Hz, $J_2 = 2$ Hz, 2H), 1.72 (m, 2H), 1.59 (m, 2H), 1.46-1.16 (14H), 0.90 (t, J = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 169.8 (CO), 135.9 (C), 128.5 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 127.1 (CH), 96.3 (CH₂), 86.5 (C), 82.6 (CH), 76.9 (C), 67.8 (CH₂), 65.3 (CH), 57.3 (CH₃), 55.0

(CH₃), 36.9 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.1 (CH₂), 28.1 (CH₂), 26.1 (CH₂), 18.4 (CH₂), 18.2 (CH₂), 13.5 (CH₃); $[\alpha]_D = +15.0$ (c 0.5, CHCl₃, 96% de).

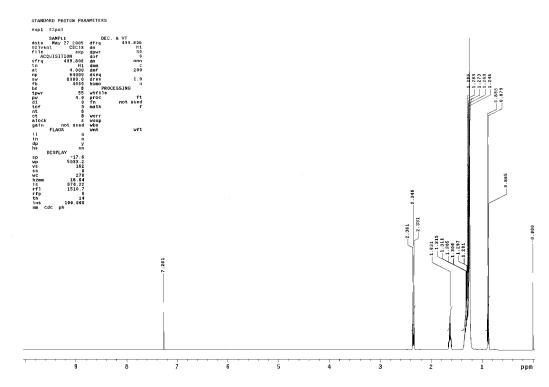
(*R*)-[9,9,10,10⁻²H₄]-17,19-dioxa-3-eico-5-ynyl-(*R*)-α-O-methyl-α-phenyl acetate (Ester (*R*)-14b) (From CALB resolved acetate). IR 2930, 2850, 2190, 2095, 1745 (CO), 1450, 1255, 1175, 1105, 1040, 920 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ7.49-7.42 (2H), 7.39-7.28 (3H), 4.90 (m, 1H), 4.77 (s, 1H), 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.52 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.44 (s, 3H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 2.28 (m, 2H), 2.00 (m, 2H), 1.80-1.50 (4H), 1.42-1.16 (10H), 0.87 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ170.3 (CO), 136.3 (C), 128.4 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 127.0 (CH), 96.3 (CH₂), 82.7 (CH), 82.4 (C), 74.7 (C), 74.6 (CH), 67.8 (CH₂), 57.3 (CH₃), 55.0 (CH₃), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.1 (CH₂), 28.6 (CH₂), 26.1 (CH₂), 25.9 (CH₂), 23.5 (CH₂), 18.5 (CH₂), 9.3 (CH₃); $[\alpha]_{D}$ = -13.0 (c 1, CHCl₃, 94% de).

(*S*)-[9,9,10,10⁻²H₄]-17,19-dioxa-3-eico-5-ynyl-(*R*)-α-O-methyl-α-phenyl acetate (Ester (*S*)-14b) (From CALB and TL residual alcohol). IR 2930, 2850, 2190, 2095, 1745 (CO), 1450, 1255, 1175, 1105, 1040, 920 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 7.49-7.42 (2H), 7.39-7.28 (3H), 4.87 (m, 1H), 4.77 (s, 1H), 4.62 (s, 2H), 3.51 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.42 (s, 3H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 2.43 (m, 2H), 2.10 (m, 2H), 1.70-158 (4H), 1.43 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 1.40-1.18 (10H), 0.62 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR δ 170.2 (CO), 136.4 (C), 128.5 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 96.3 (CH₂), 82.6 (CH), 82.4 (CH), 74.9 (C), 74.5 (CH), 67.8 (CH₂), 57.2 (CH₃), 54.9 (CH₃), 36.9 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.3 (CH₂), 29.1 (CH₂), 28.6 (CH₂), 26.1 (CH₂), 25.9 (CH₂), 23.8 (CH₂), 18.6 (CH₂), 8.9 (CH₃); $[\alpha]_D$ = -50.1 (c 2, CHCl₃, 94% de).

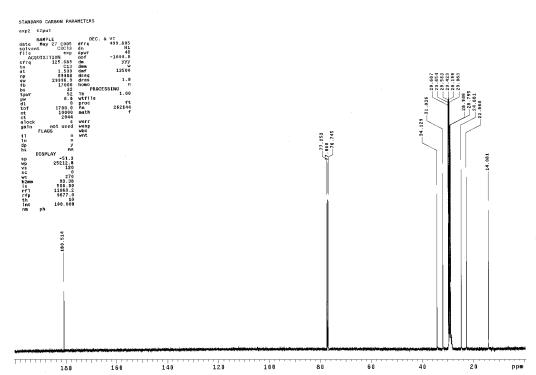
In Vivo Gland Culture Procedure. In these experiments, newly-emerged virgin *T. pityocampa* females were briefly anesthetized on ice and pheromone glands were everted and impregnated (1 μ L every 3 hours x 4 times) with the DMSO solutions of stereospecifically deuterated probes 1 (10 mg/mL each). The *in vivo* incubation proceeded for 36 h. In order to obtain the methyl ester derivatives of the gland lipids for analysis, the pheromone glands were excised and soaked in chloroform methanol (2:1) at 25 °C for 1 h and base-methanolized in 0.5 M KOH for 1 h. After this time, the organic solution was neutralized with 1 N HCl, washed with satd. NaHCO₃ aqueous solution, extracted with hexane, concentrated and the residue was treated with a freshly prepared diazomethane solution. Ten glands were used for each assay.

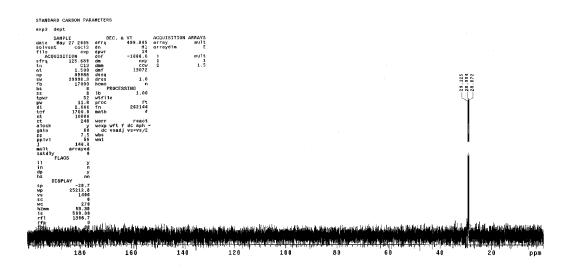
Instrumental Analysis of the Biological Extracts. The GC-MS analysis of biological extracts was performed by Chemical Ionization (CI) using methane as ionization gas. The system was equipped with a non-polar HP5-MS capillary column (30 m x 0.25 mm I.D, 0.25 μ m stationary phase thickness) and using the following program: from 100 °C to 220 °C at 5 °C/min and then to 300 °C at 7 °C/min after an initial delay of 1 min. Analyses were carried out on methanolyzed lipidic extracts from pheromone glands with the equipment and conditions described above. Kinetic isotope effects were calculated from the ratios of formed products from each probe which afforded a cluster of ions, analyzed as methyl esters, and are based on the abundance of the respective molecular ions in the range m/z 265-274 in which the most abundant ones corresponded to the molecular ion of the resulting isotopomers.

$\begin{array}{l} \textbf{1a} \ CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2(CH_2)_2(CD_2)_2(CH_2)_5COOH \\ {}^{1}\text{H} \ NMR \end{array}$

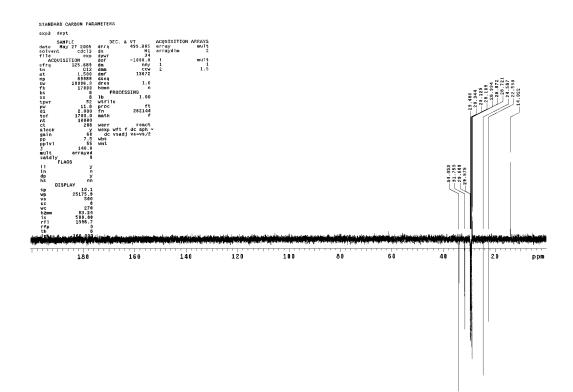


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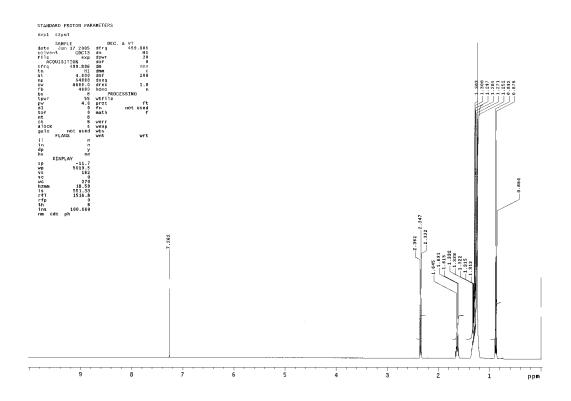




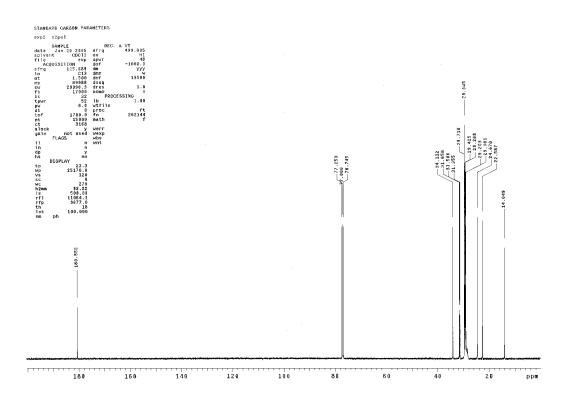
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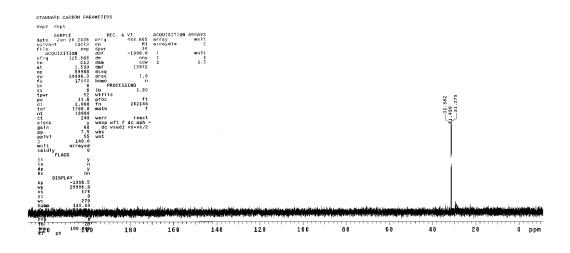


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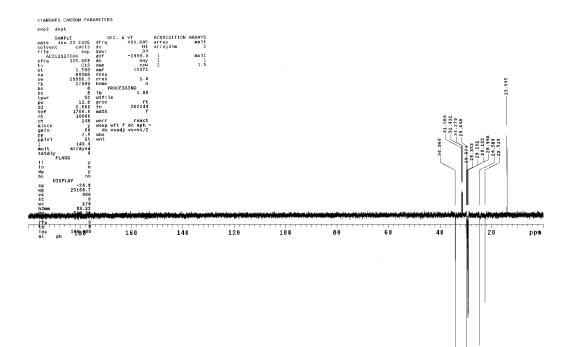




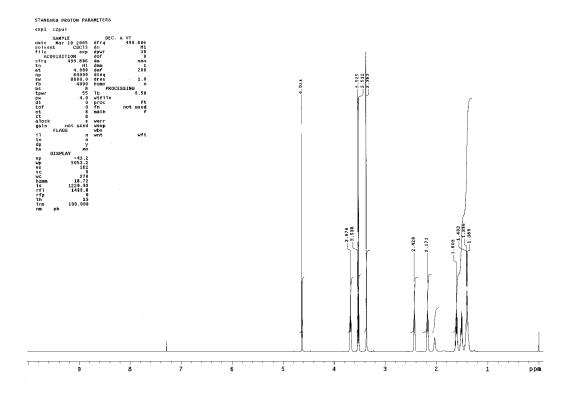




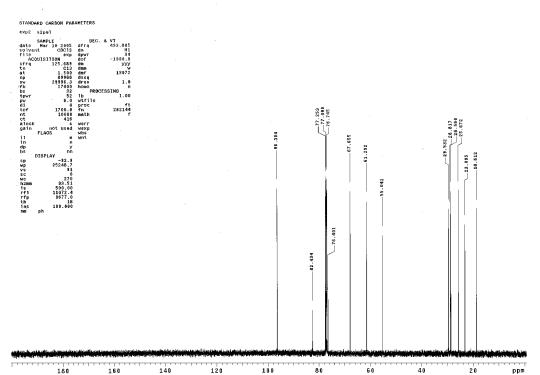
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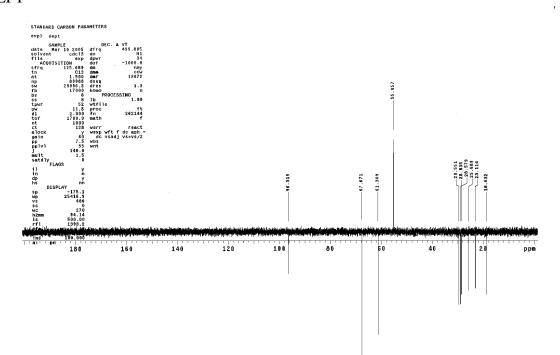


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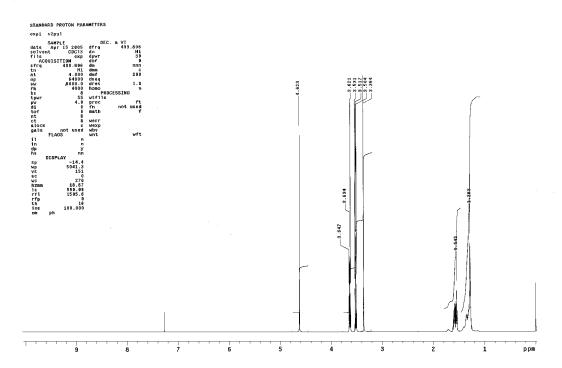


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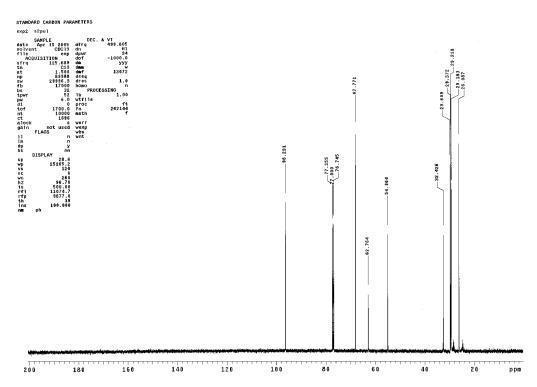




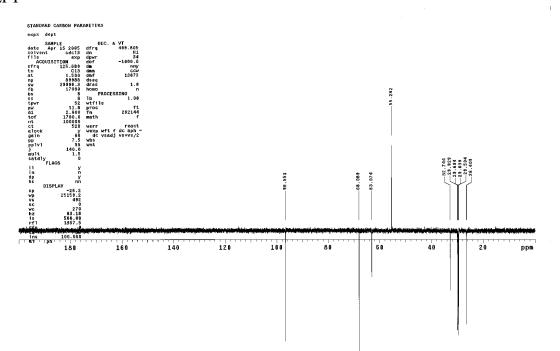
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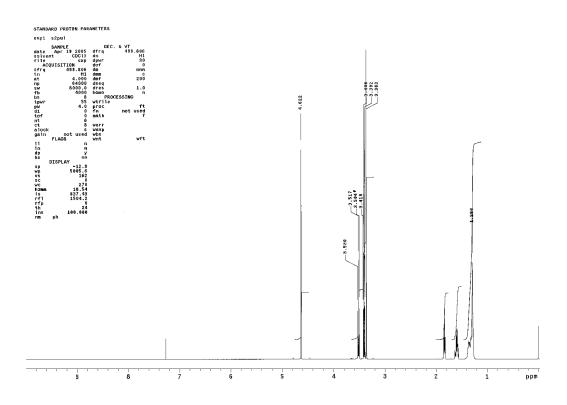




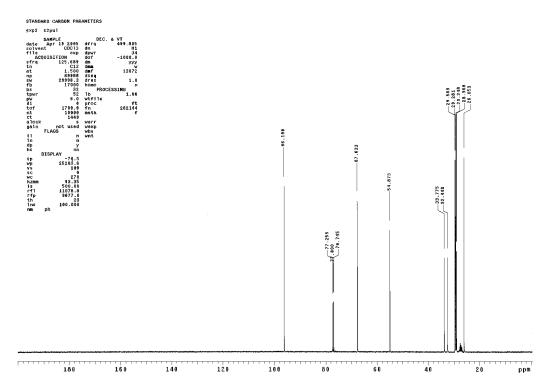
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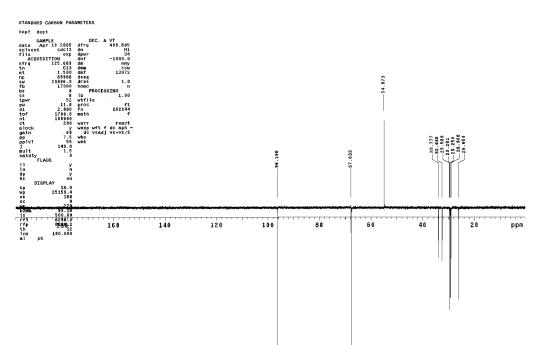
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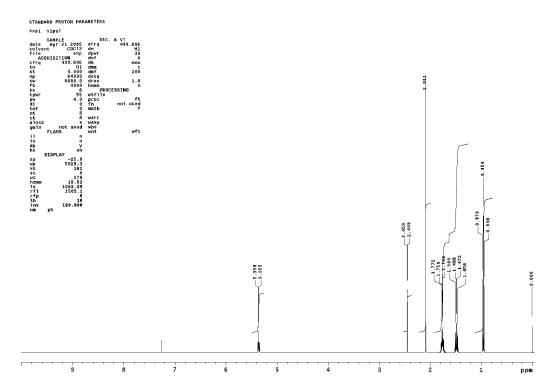
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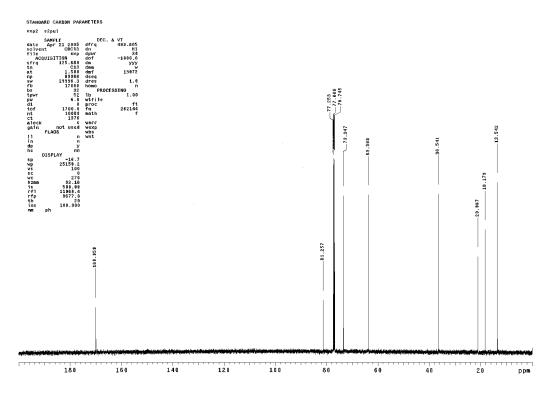




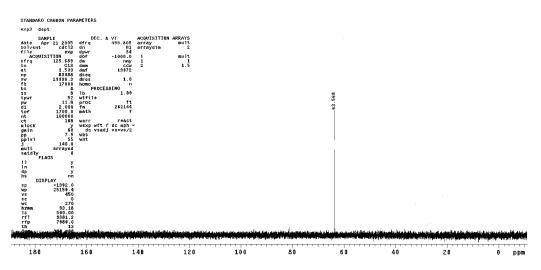


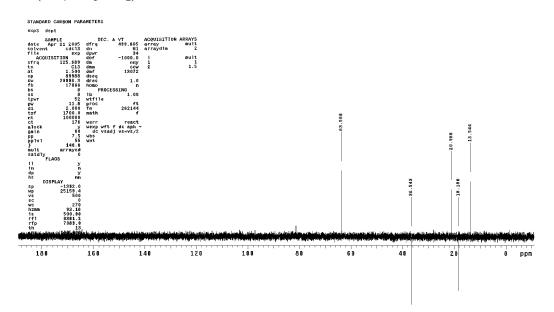
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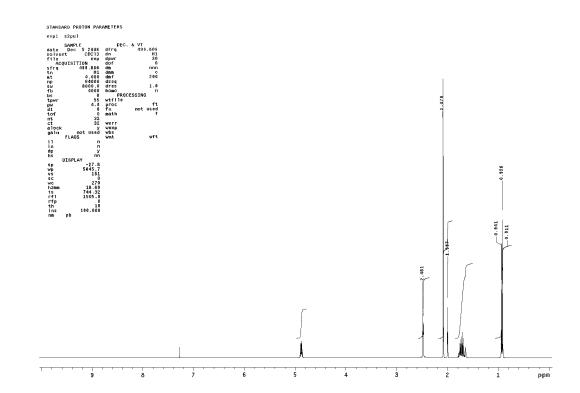


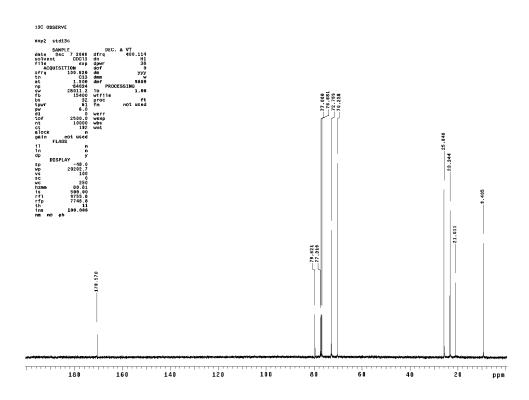




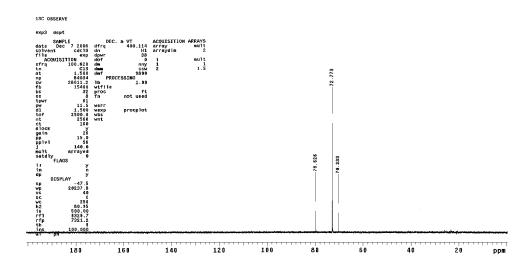


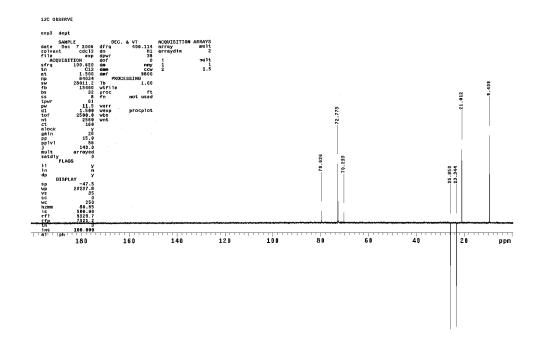
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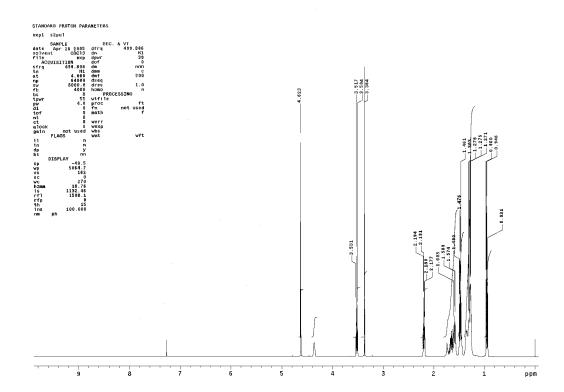


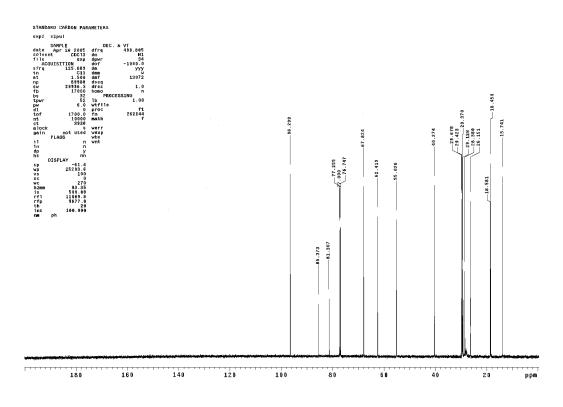
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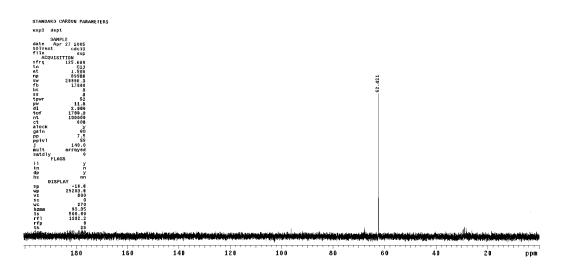


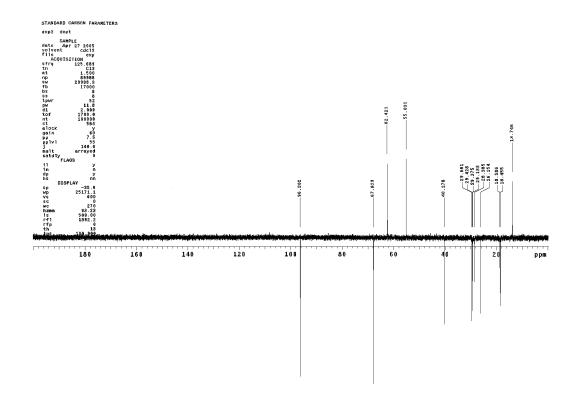
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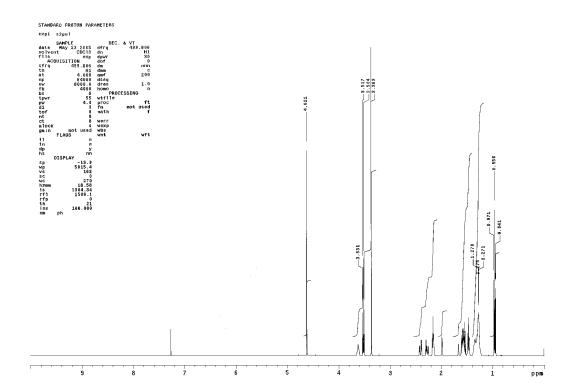


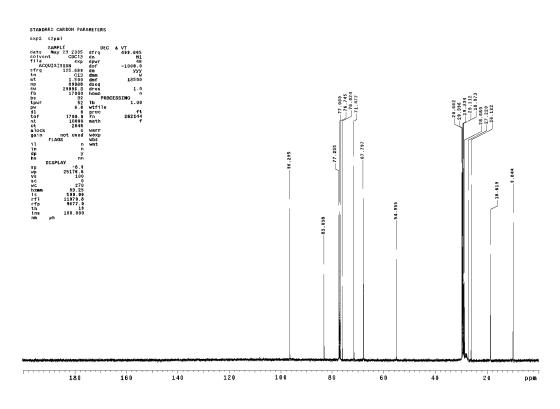
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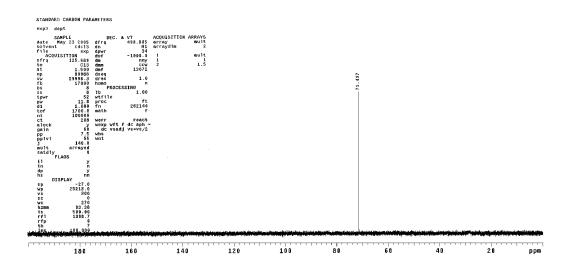


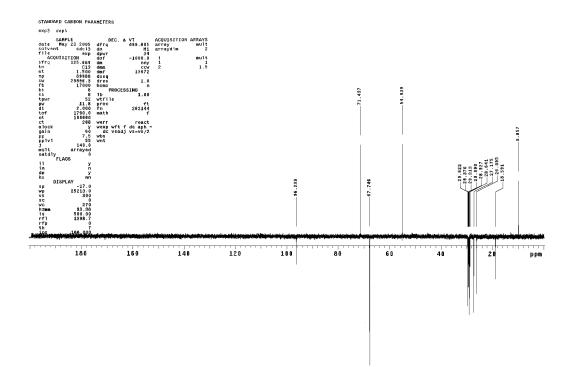
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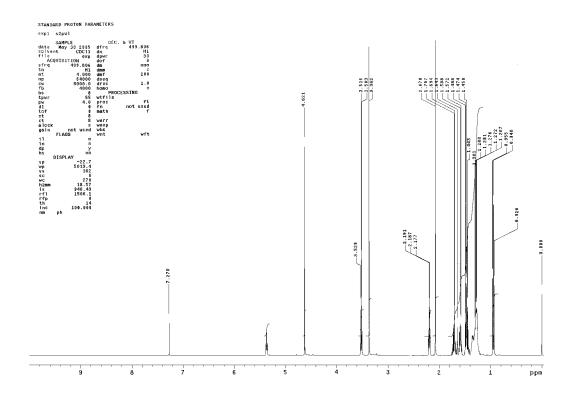


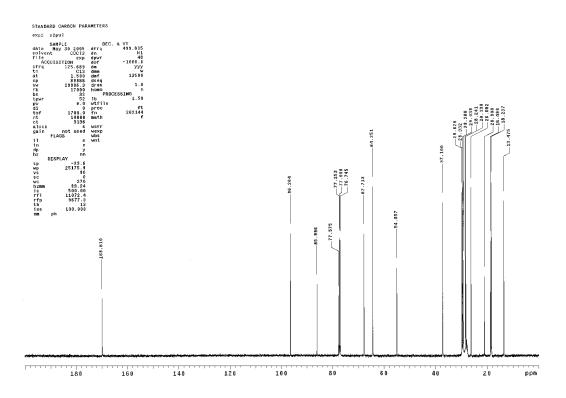
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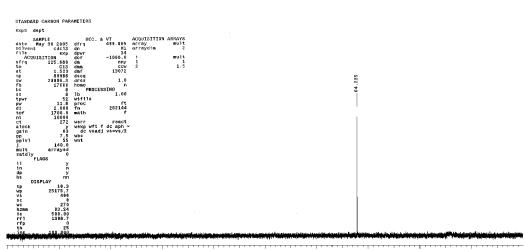


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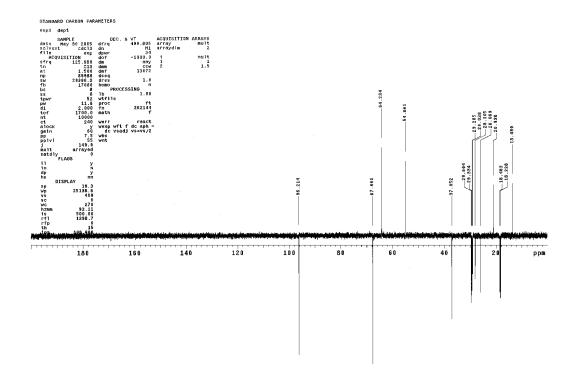




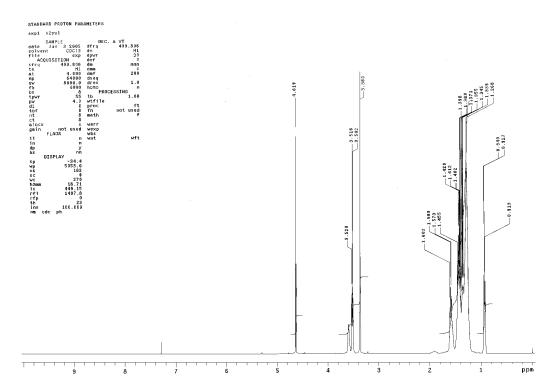
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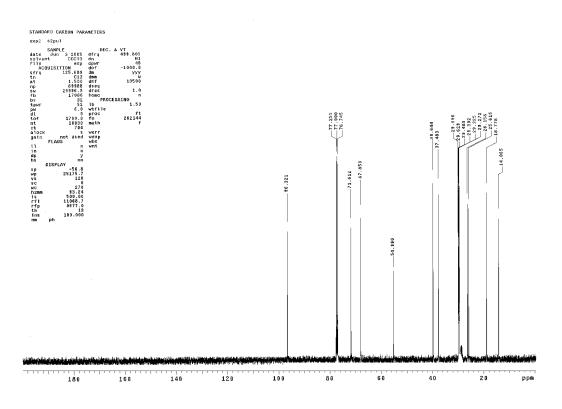


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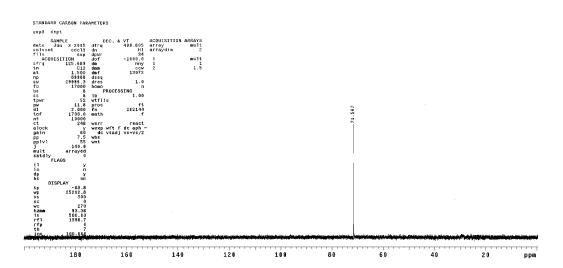


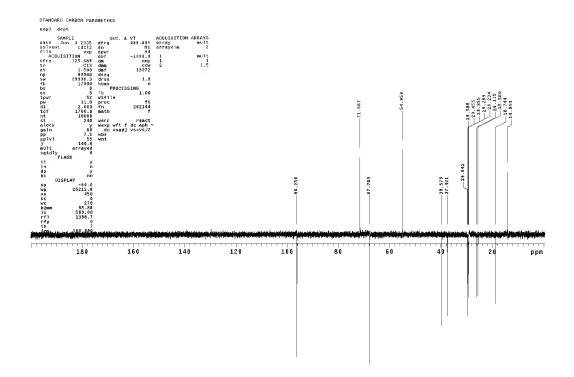
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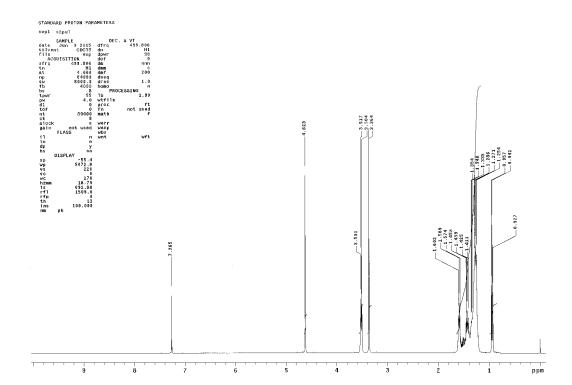


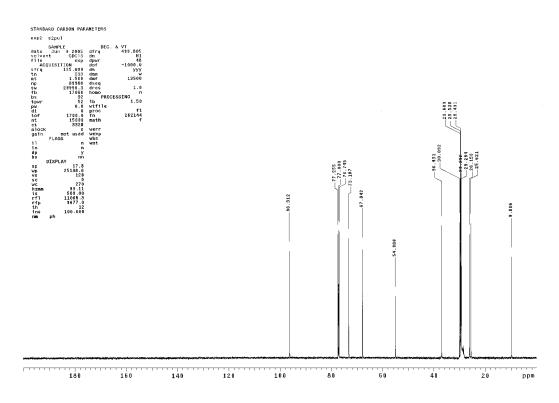
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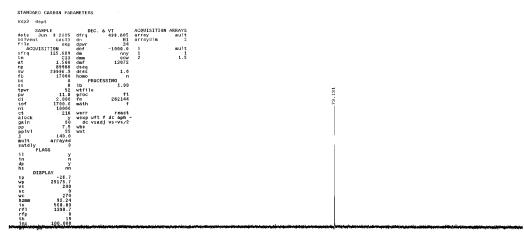


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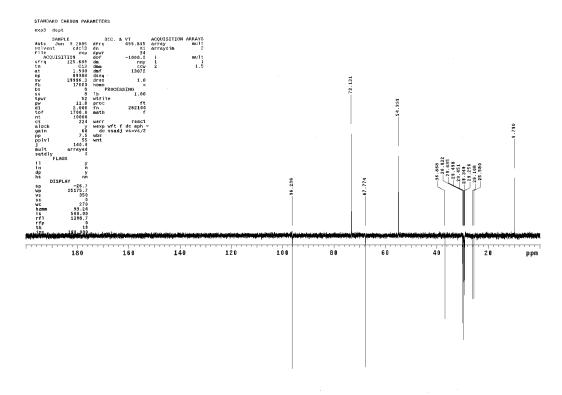




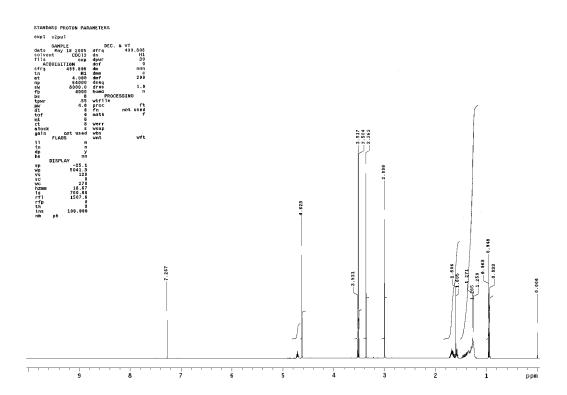
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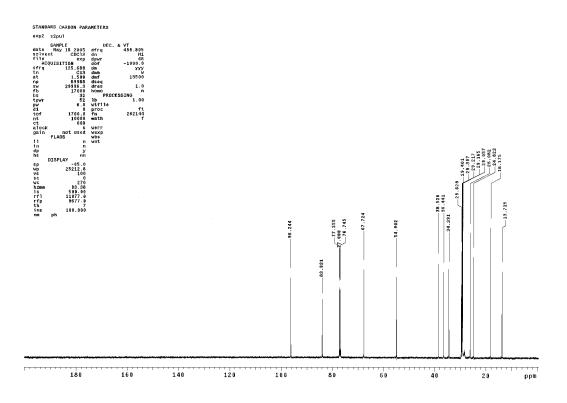


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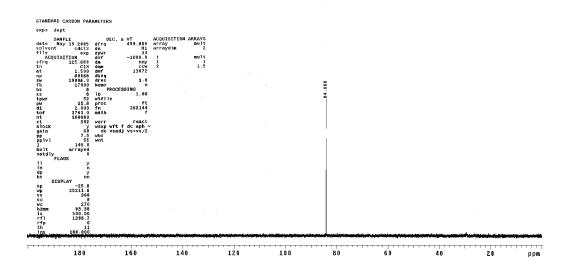


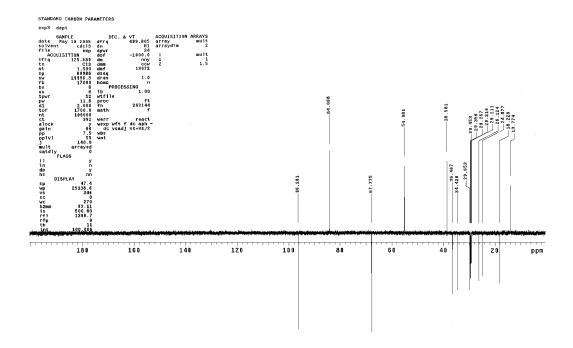
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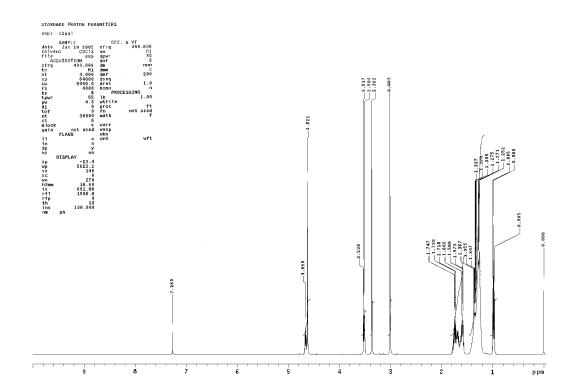


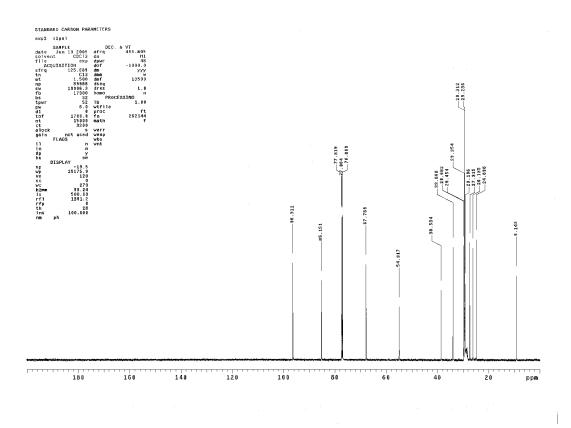
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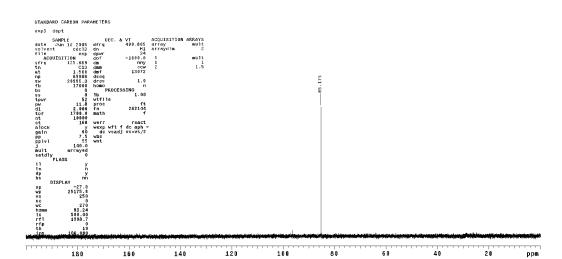


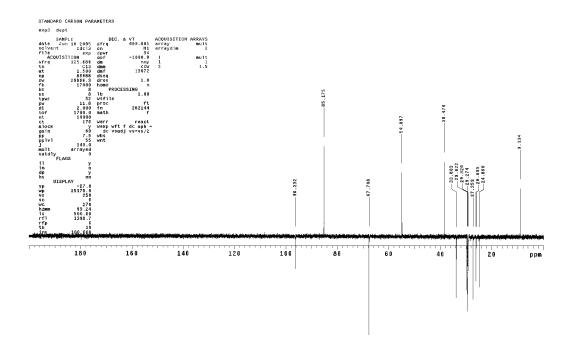
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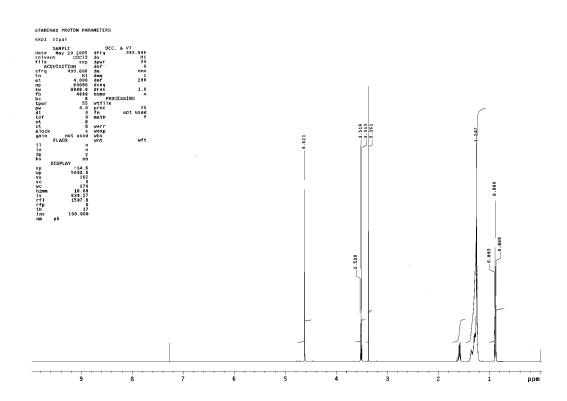


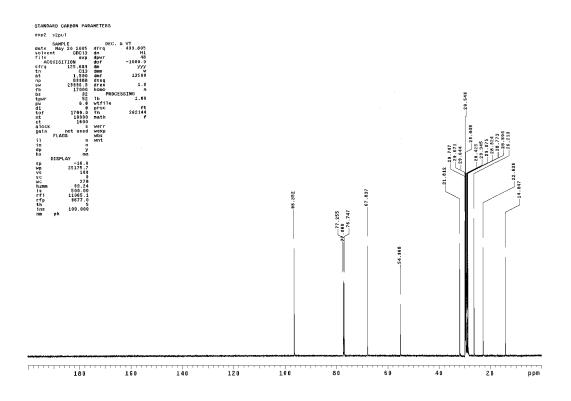
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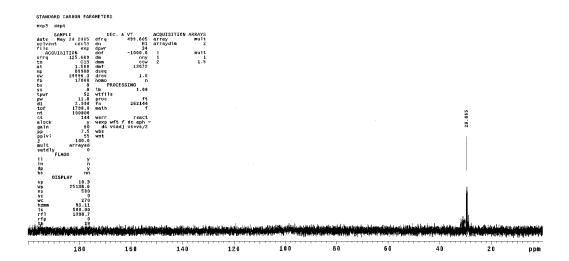


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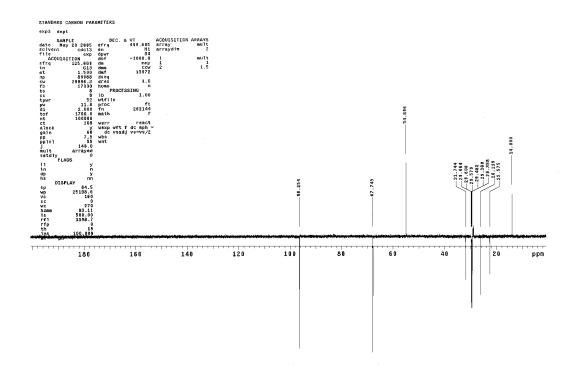




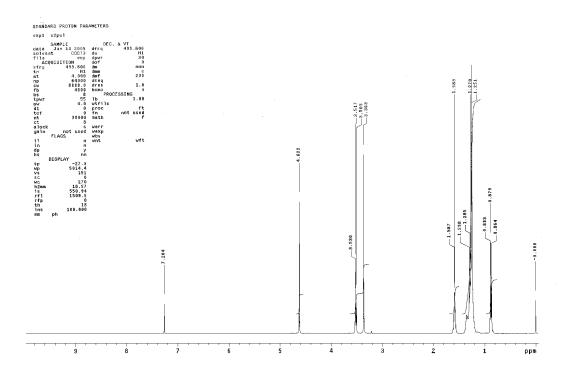
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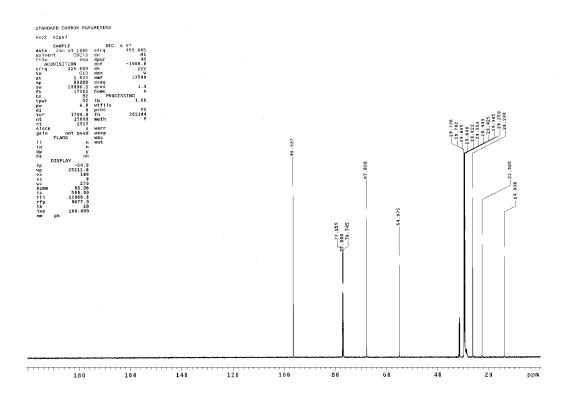


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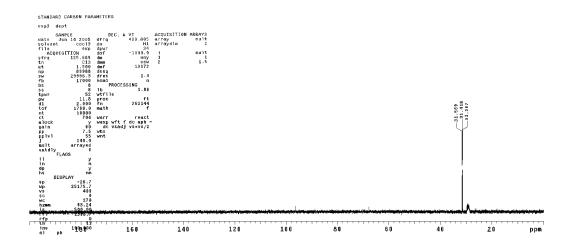


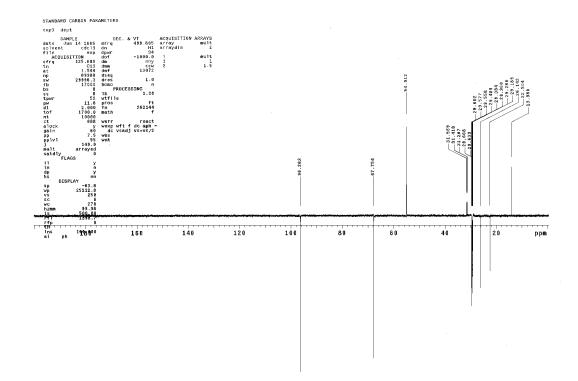
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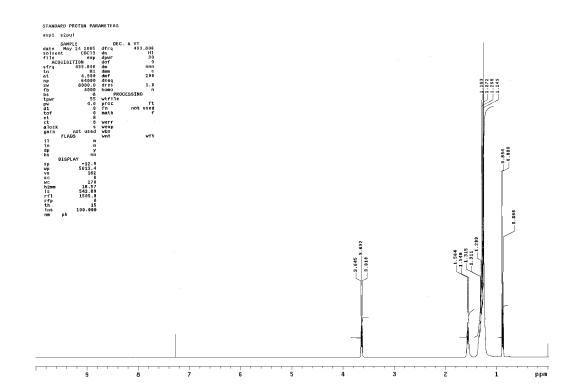


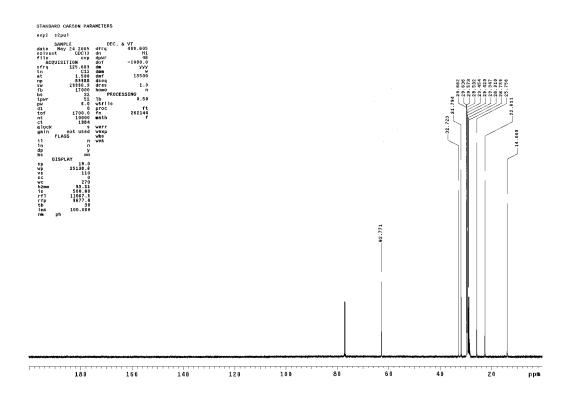
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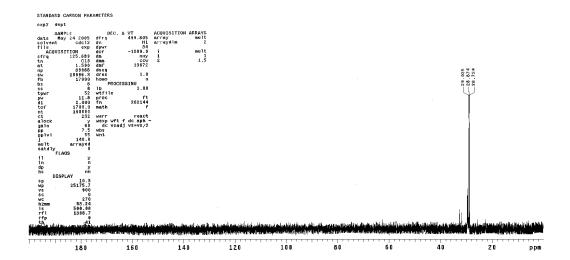


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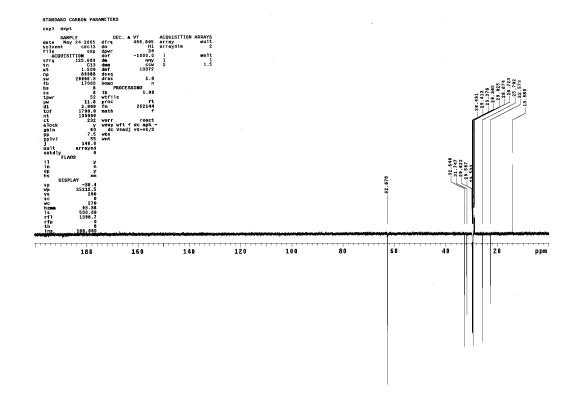




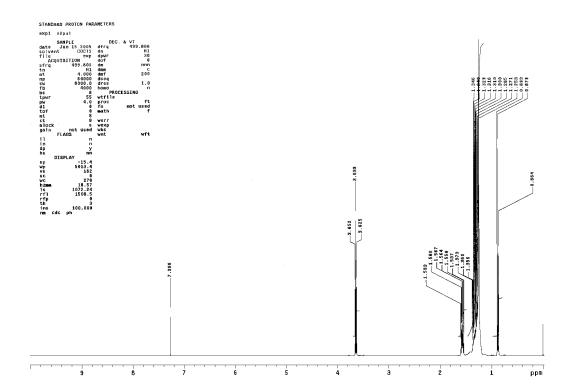
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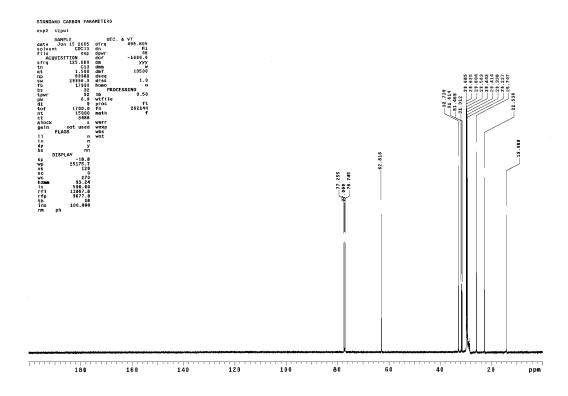


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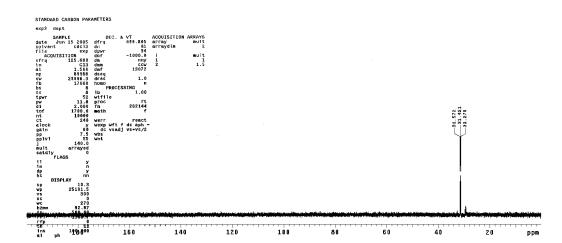


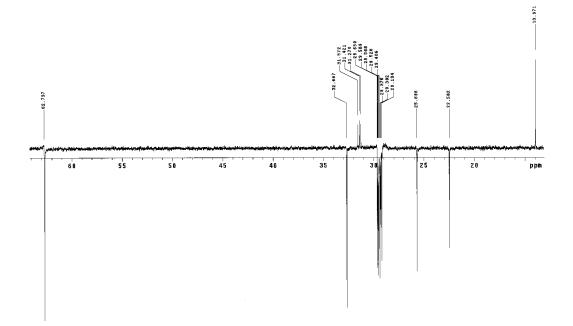
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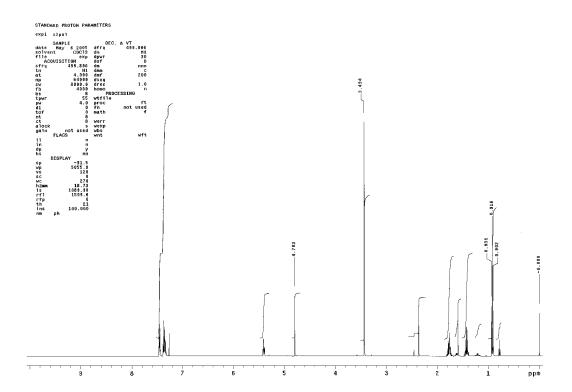


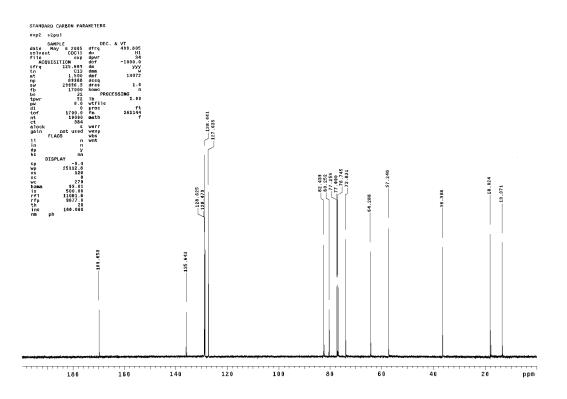
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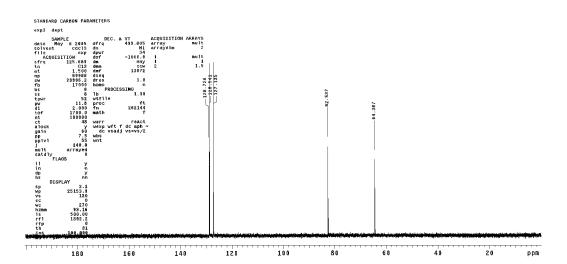


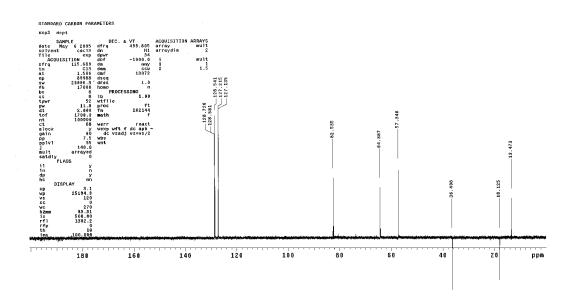
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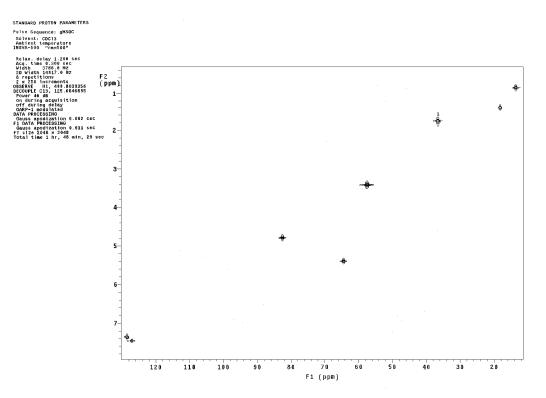


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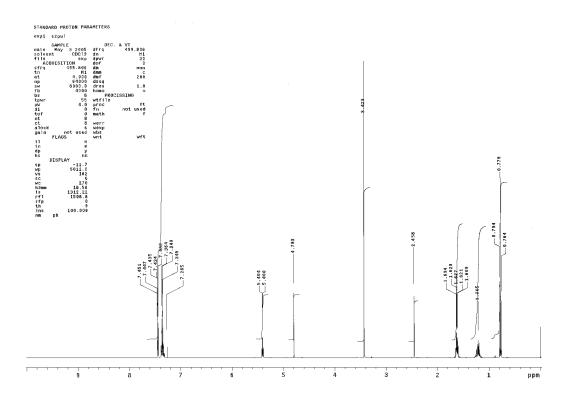


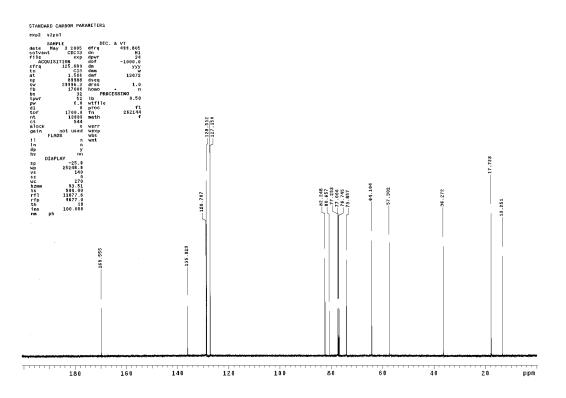
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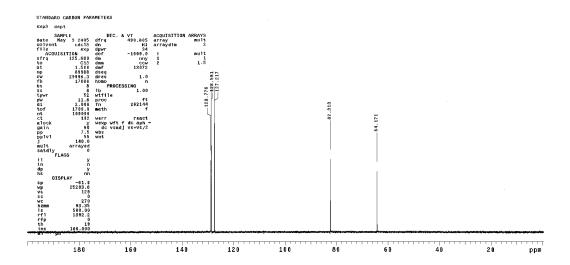


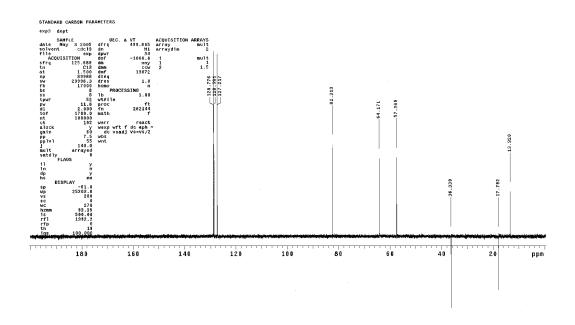
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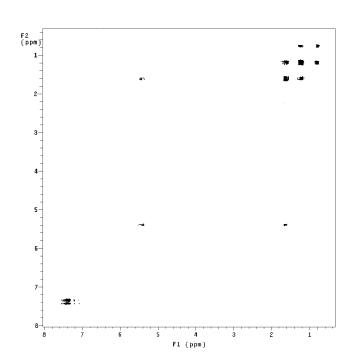
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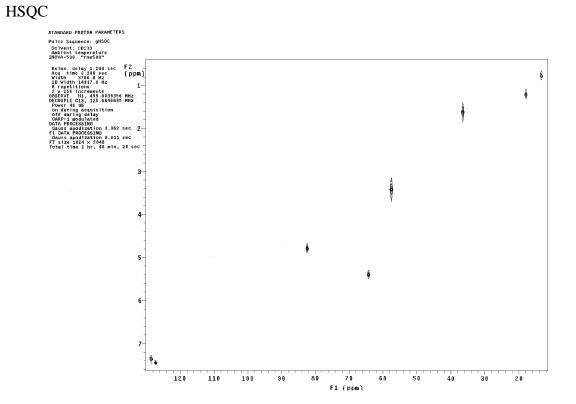




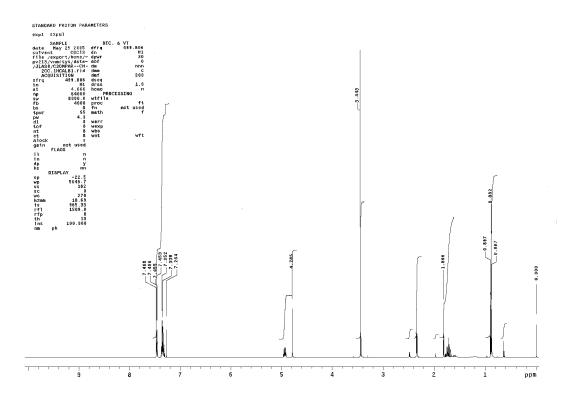
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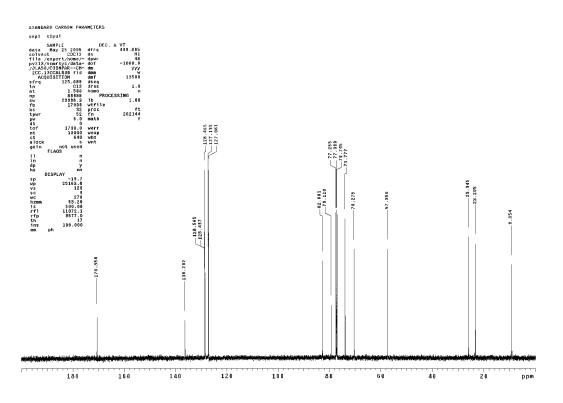




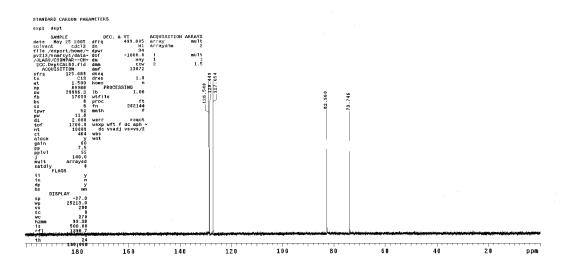


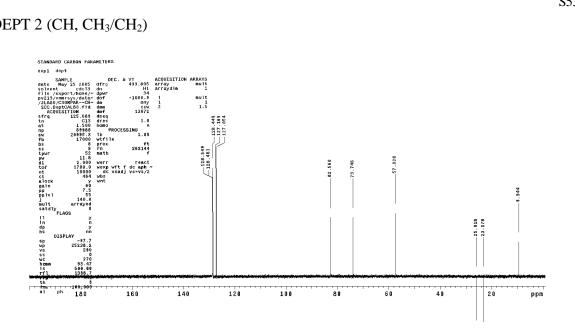
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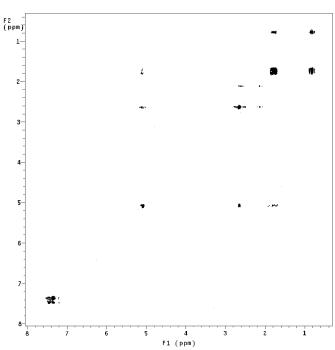
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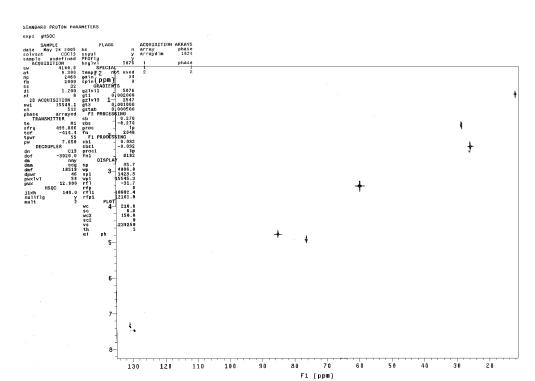




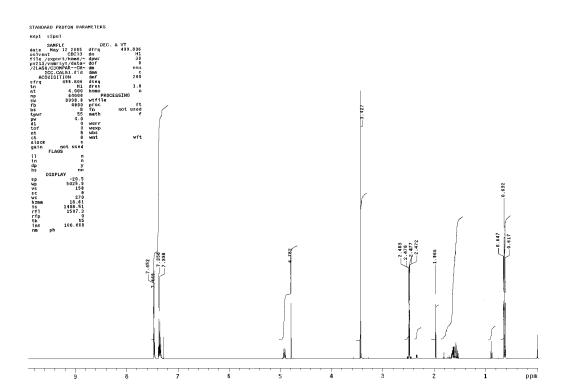
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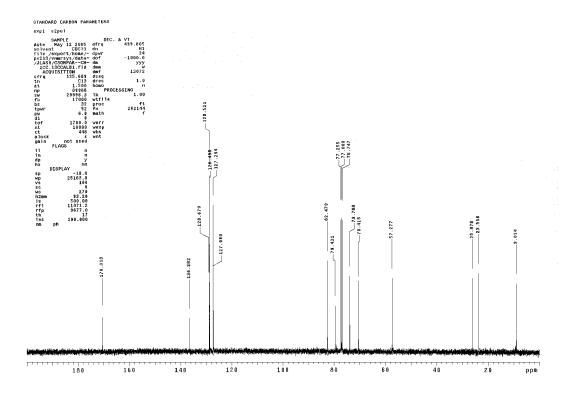




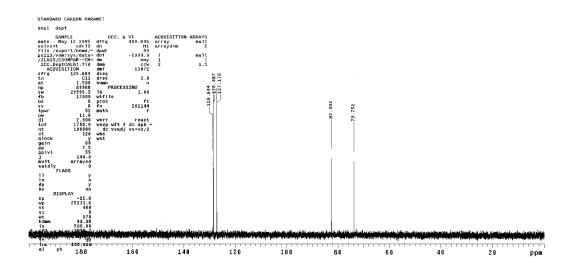


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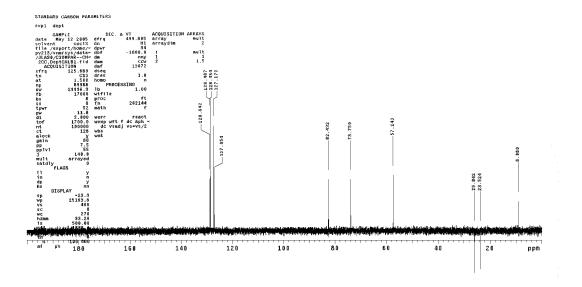




DEPT 1(CH)



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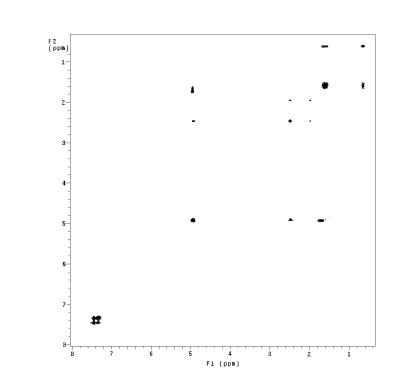
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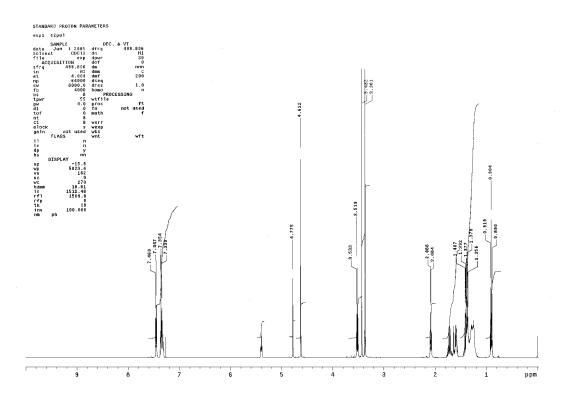
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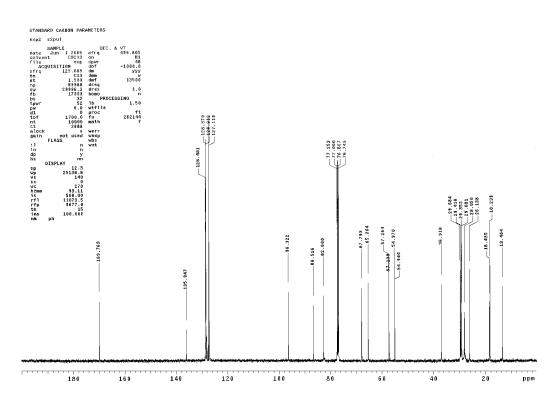
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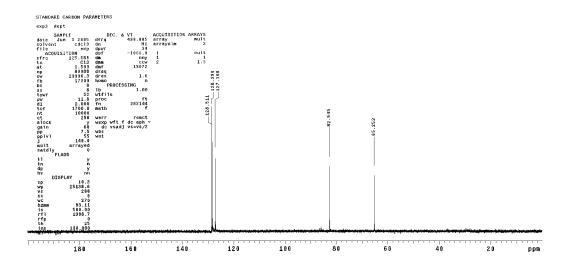
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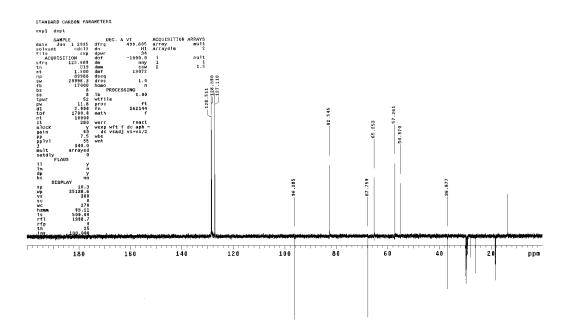
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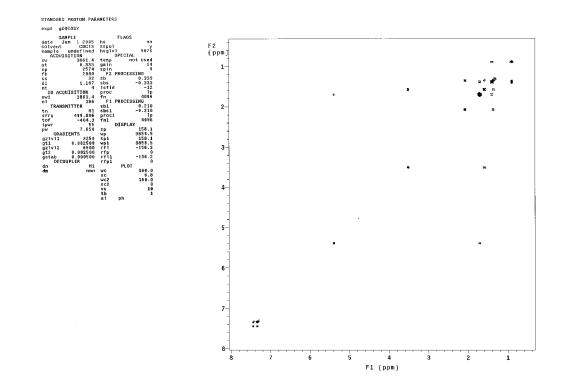




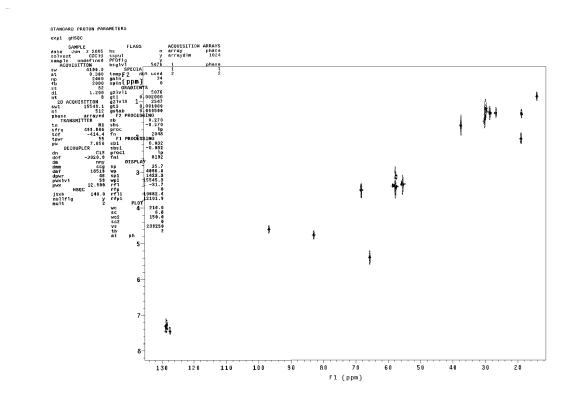


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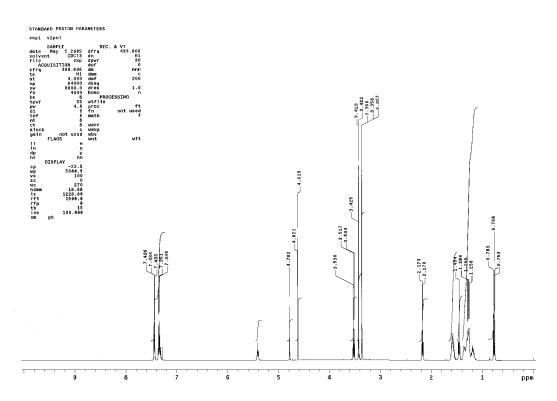


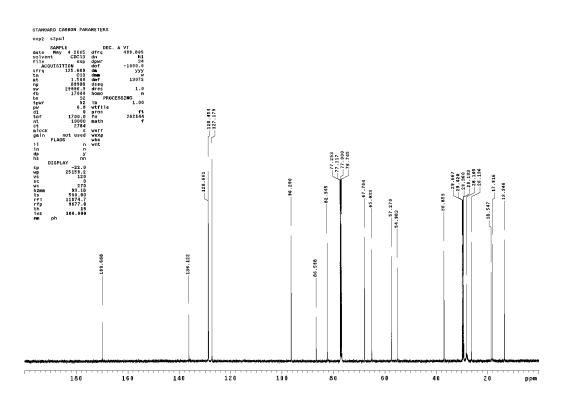


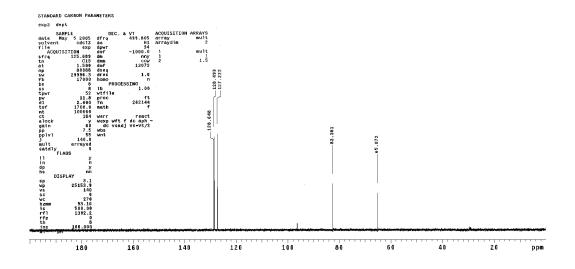
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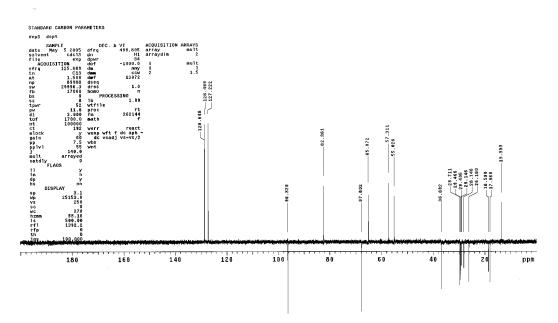
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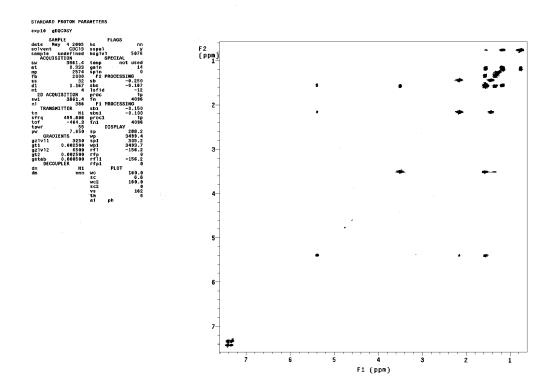


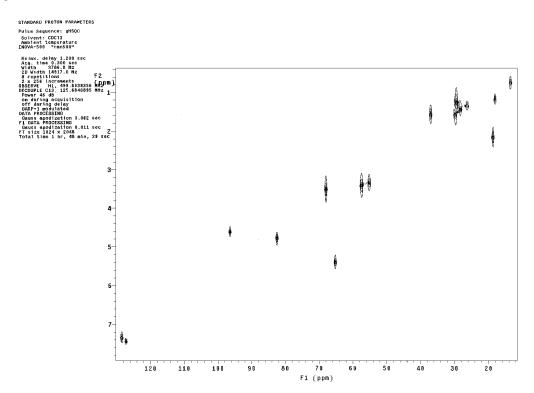




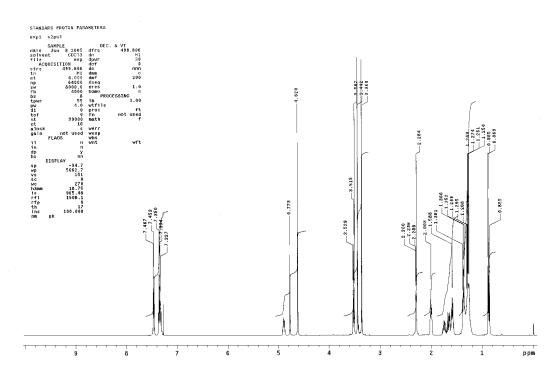
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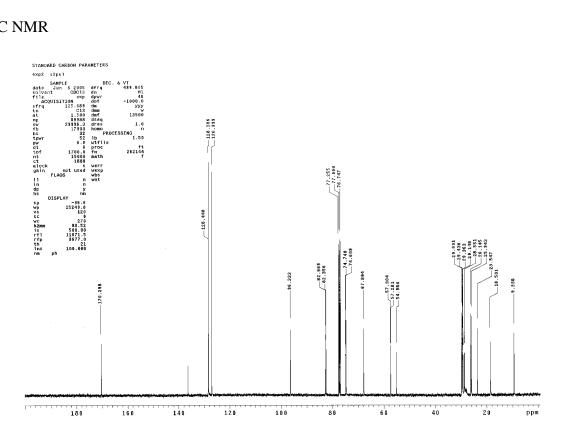


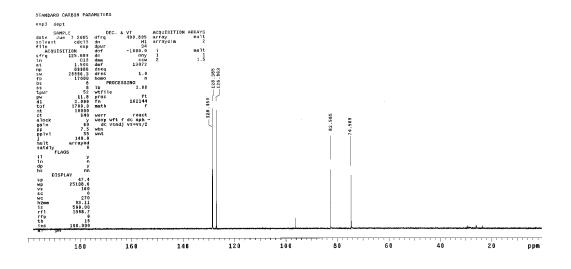




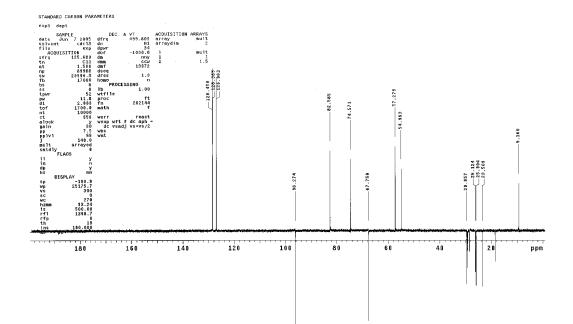
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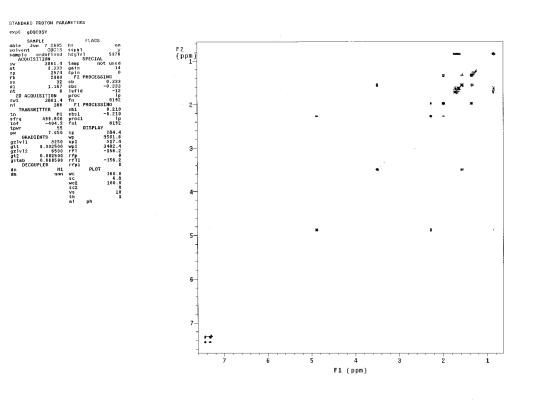


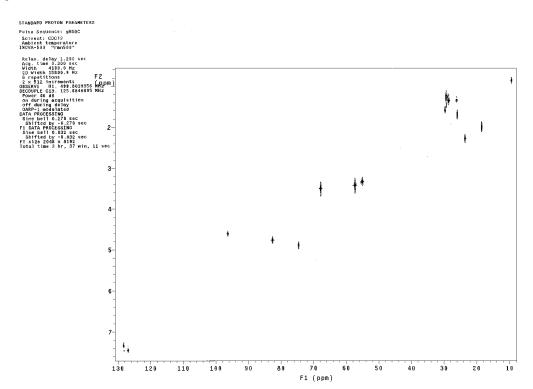




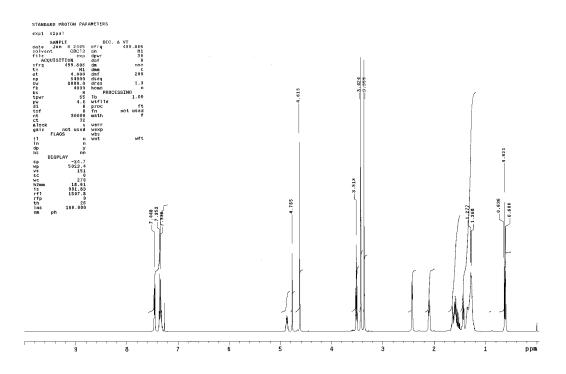
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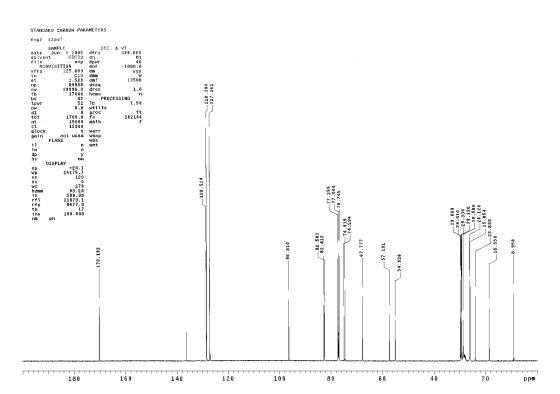


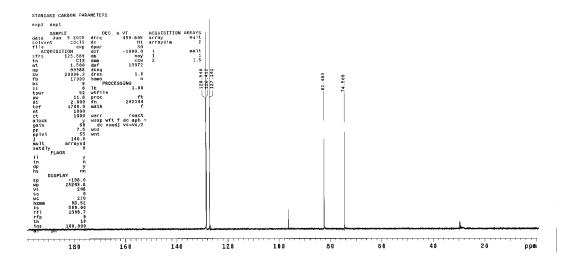




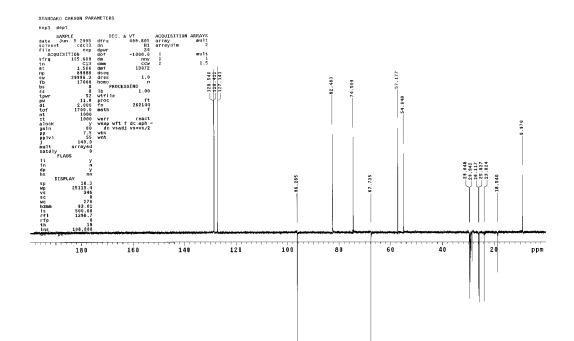
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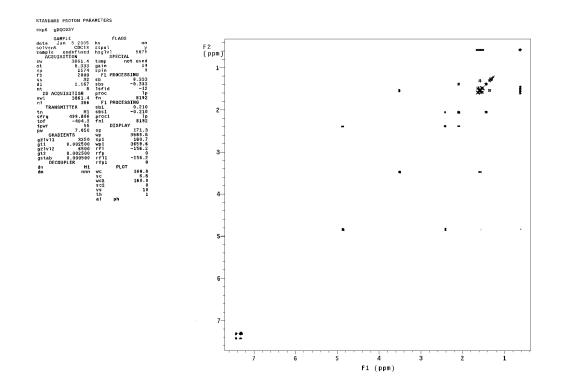


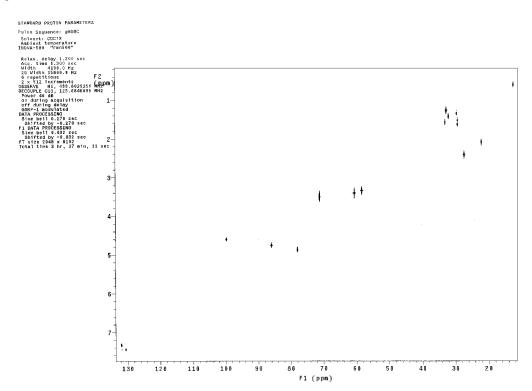




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