

Surfactant-aided chiral palladium(II) catalysis exerted exclusively in water for the C–H functionalization of indoles

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Experimental

General

Nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectra were recorded on a JEOL ECX-500 or 600 spectrometer, operating at 500 or 600 MHz for ¹H and 125 or 150 MHz for ¹³C NMR in CDCl₃ unless otherwise noted. Tetramethylsilane (TMS) served as the internal standard ($\delta = 0$) for ¹H NMR and CDCl₃ was used as the internal standard ($\delta = 77.0$) for ¹³C NMR. Infrared (IR) spectra were obtained using a JASCO FT/IR-4200 spectrometer. Data are represented as frequency of absorption (cm⁻¹). High-performance liquid chromatography was carried out using following apparatuses; SHIMADZU LC-10ATvp (liquid chromatograph), SHIMADZU SPD-10A (UV detector) and SHIMADZU C-R8A (Chromatopac) using Daicel chiralpak® or chiralcel® columns. Preparative thin-layer chromatography (PTLC) was carried out using Wakogel B-5F from Wako Pure Chemical Industries, Ltd. High Resolution Mass Spectra (HRMS) were recorded using a JEOL JMS-T100TD (DART) spectrometer. Optical rotations were measured on a JASCO P1010 polarimeter using a 2 mL cell with 1 dm path length. Data are reported as follows: $[\alpha]_D^T$ (c in g/100 mL, solvent). Deionized water from a MILLIPORE MilliQ machine (Gradient A 10) was used as solvent without further treatment. All organic solvents used were commercially available dry solvents, which were distilled appropriately under an argon atmosphere or were stored over molecular sieves prior to use. All reagents used as additives were either distilled or recrystallized before use.

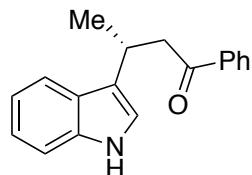
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Unless stated otherwise, commercially available reagents were used as received with the exception of the following substrates, which were prepared through reported methods. Analytical data for these compounds are in full agreement with reported data. Chiral 2,2'-bipyridine **L1** was synthesized using protocols described in literatures.^{1,2}

Typical Experimental Procedure for PdCl₂-Catalyzed Asymmetric 1,4-Addition of Indoles to α,β-Unsaturated Carbonyl Compounds in Water (Table 3, entry 7):

To degassed water (0.6 mL) were added PdCl₂ (2.7 mg, 0.015 mmol), sodium dodecylsulfate (SDS, 8.7 mg, 0.030 mmol), **L1** (6.0 mg, 0.018 mmol), and PhNMe₂ (4.4 mg, 0.036 mmol). After vigorous stirring for 1 h at room temperature, 1-phenyl-2-buten-1-one **1a** (43.9 mg, 0.30 mmol) and indole **2a** (42.2 mg, 0.36 mmol) were added to the resultant mixture. After stirring for 24 h, the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NaHCO₃ aqueous solution (1 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 15 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (20 mL) and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After concentrated under reduced pressure, the crude mixture was purified by preparative TLC ("hexane/AcOEt = 3/1) to afford the desired product **3aa** (62.2 mg, 79% yield) as a white solid. The obtained analytical data for the compound is in full agreement with reported data. The absolute configuration was determined by comparison of the order of retention time in the chiral HPLC analyses. The absolute configurations of optically active compounds were determined in the same way.

(*R*)-3-(1*H*-indol-3-yl)-1-phenylbutan-1-one (**3aa**)³



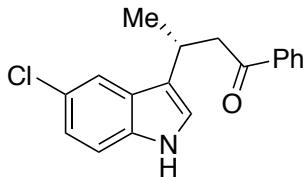
White solid; mp 100-101 °C.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz) δ: 1.45 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 3.23 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 16.4 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 16.3 Hz, 1H), 3.86-3.79 (m, 1H), 7.00 (s, 1H), 7.11 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.55-7.51 (m, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.98-7.93 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz) δ: 21.0, 27.1, 46.4, 111.3, 119.2 (2C), 120.2, 121.4, 121.9, 126.3, 128.1, 128.5, 132.9, 136.5, 137.2, 199.8.

HPLC (Dialcel Chiralcel OD-H, "hexane/ ⁱPrOH = 90/10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min); t_R = 19.9 min (*S*, minor), t_R = 29.8 min (*R*, major).

(R)-3-(5-chloro-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-1-phenylbutan-1-one (**3ab**)⁴



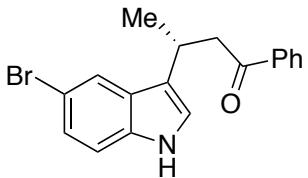
Colorless oil

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¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃); δ = 21.1, 27.0, 46.3, 112.2, 118.7, 121.3, 121.6, 122.3, 125.0, 127.4, 128.1, 128.6, 133.0, 134.8, 137.2, 199.5.

HPLC (Dialcel Chiralcel OD-H, "hexane/ *i*PrOH = 90/10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min); t_R = 14.9 min (*S*, minor), t_R = 20.6 min (*R*, major).

(R)-3-(5-bromo-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-1-phenylbutan-1-one (**3ac**)⁵



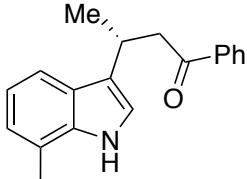
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¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃); δ = 21.1, 27.0, 46.3, 112.5, 112.6, 121.2, 121.5, 121.8, 124.8, 128.1 (2C), 128.6, 133.0, 135.1, 137.2, 199.4.

HPLC (Dialcel Chiralcel OD-H, "hexane/ *i*PrOH = 90/10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min); t_R = 15.2 min (*S*, minor), t_R = 19.0 min (*R*, major).

(R)-3-(7-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-1-phenylbutan-1-one (**3ad**)⁶



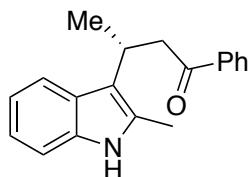
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¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃); δ = 16.6, 21.0, 27.3, 46.5, 117.0, 119.5, 120.0, 120.5, 122.0, 122.6, 125.8, 128.1, 128.5, 132.9, 136.137.3, 199.8.

HPLC (Dialcel Chiralcel OD-H, "hexane/ ⁱPrOH = 49/1, flow rate 1.0 mL/min); t_R = 49.9 min (*S*, minor), t_R = 54.8 min (*R*, major).

(*R*)-3-(2-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-1-phenylbutan-1-one (**3ae**)⁶



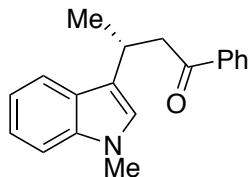
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¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃); δ = 12.0, 21.0, 27.3, 45.6, 110.5, 115.5, 118.9, 119.0, 120.6, 127.1, 128.0, 128.4, 130.3, 132.8, 135.5, 137.3, 200.0.

HPLC (Dialcel Chiralcel OD-H, "hexane/ ⁱPrOH = 90/10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min); t_R = 20.9 min (*S*), t_R = 23.2 min (*R*).

(*R*)-3-(1-methyl-1*H*-indol-3-yl)-1-phenylbutan-1-one (**3af**)⁶



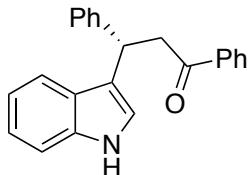
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¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃); δ = 1.44 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 3.20-3.25 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 16.4 Hz, 1H), 3.44-3.48 (dd, *J* = 4.9, 16.3 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.79-3.83 (m, 1H), 6.88 (s, 1H), 7.10 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃); δ = 21.1, 27.1, 32.6, 46.7, 109.3, 118.7, 119.3, 120.0, 121.6, 125.0, 126.7, 128.1, 128.5, 132.9, 137.2, 137.3, 199.7.

HPLC (Dialcel Chiralcel OD-H, "hexane/ *i*PrOH = 90/10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min); t_R = 19.1 min (*R*, major), t_R = 22.2 min (*S*, minor).

(*S*)-3-(1*H*-indol-3-yl)-1,3-diphenylpropan-1-one (**3ba**)⁴



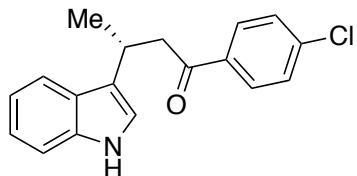
White solid; mp 128-130 °C.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃); δ = 3.72 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 16.5 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 18.4 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 7.01 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.16 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 7.40-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 7.97 (br, s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃); δ = 38.2, 45.2, 111.1, 119.3, 119.4, 119.5, 121.4, 122.1, 126.3, 126.6, 127.8, 128.1, 128.4, 128.6, 133.0, 136.6, 137.1, 144.2, 198.5.

HPLC (Dialcel Chiralcel OD-H, "hexane/ *i*PrOH = 90/10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min); t_R = 28.6 min (*S*, minor), t_R = 40.1 min (*R*, major).

(*R*)-3-(1*H*-indol-3-yl)-1-(4-chlorophenyl)-butan-1-one (**3ca**)



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IR(neat) ν = 1587, 1679, 3410 cm⁻¹.

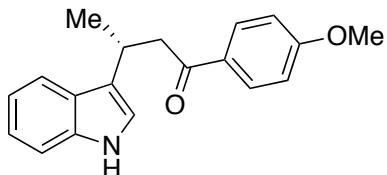
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¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃); δ = 20.9, 27.2, 46.4, 111.3, 119.1, 119.2, 120.2, 121.1, 122.0, 126.2, 128.8, 129.5, 135.5, 136.5, 139.3, 198.6.

HPLC (Dialcel Chiralcel OD-H, "hexane/ *i*PrOH = 90/10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min); t_R = 23.5 min (*S*, minor), t_R = 57.1 min (*R*, major).

DART-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₈H₁₇NOCl [M+H]⁺ 298.0999, Found 298.0994.
 $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +18.8$ ($c = 0.61$, CHCl₃).

(R)-3-(1*H*-indol-3-yl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-butan-1-one (**3da**)⁴



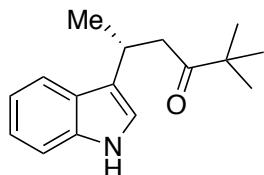
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¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃); $\delta = 1.43$ (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 3H), 3.15-3.20 (dd, $J = 9.2, 16.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.39-3.43 (dd, $J = 4.6, 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.84 (m, 4H), 6.89 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 6.99 (s, 1H), 7.11 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.18 (t, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 2H), 8.01 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃); $\delta = 21.0, 27.3, 46.1, 55.4, 111.2, 113.6, 119.2$ (2C), 120.2, 121.6, 121.9, 126.3, 130.4 (2C), 136.5, 163.3, 198.4.

HPLC (Dialcel Chiralcel OD-H, "hexane/ ¹PrOH = 90/10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min); $t_R = 25.0$ min (*S*, minor), $t_R = 61.3$ min (*R*, major).

(R)-5-(1*H*-indol-3-yl)-2,2-dimethylhexan-3-one (**3ea**)



Colorless oil

IR(neat) $\nu = 738, 1459, 1697, 2968, 3398$ cm⁻¹.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃); $\delta = 1.09$ (s, 9H), 1.34 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 3H), 2.79 (dd, $J = 8.7, 17.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.92 (dd, $J = 4.8, 17.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.68-3.72 (m, 1H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 7.09-7.12 (m, 1H), 7.16-7.19 (m, 1H), 7.34 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.97 (br, s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃); $\delta = 20.6, 26.2, 26.3, 44.2, 44.6, 111.2, 119.1, 119.3, 120.1, 121.7, 121.9, 126.3, 136.5, 215.1$.

HPLC (Dialcel Chiralcel OD-H, "hexane/ ¹PrOH = 90/10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min); $t_R = 8.5$ min (*S*, minor), $t_R = 10.0$ min (*R*, major).

DART-HRMS: Calcd for C₁₆H₂₁NO [M+H]⁺ 244.1701, Found 244.1712.

$[\alpha]_D^{30} = +1.36$ ($c = 0.38$, CHCl₃).

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Figure S1. ^1H NMR spectrum of **3aa**.

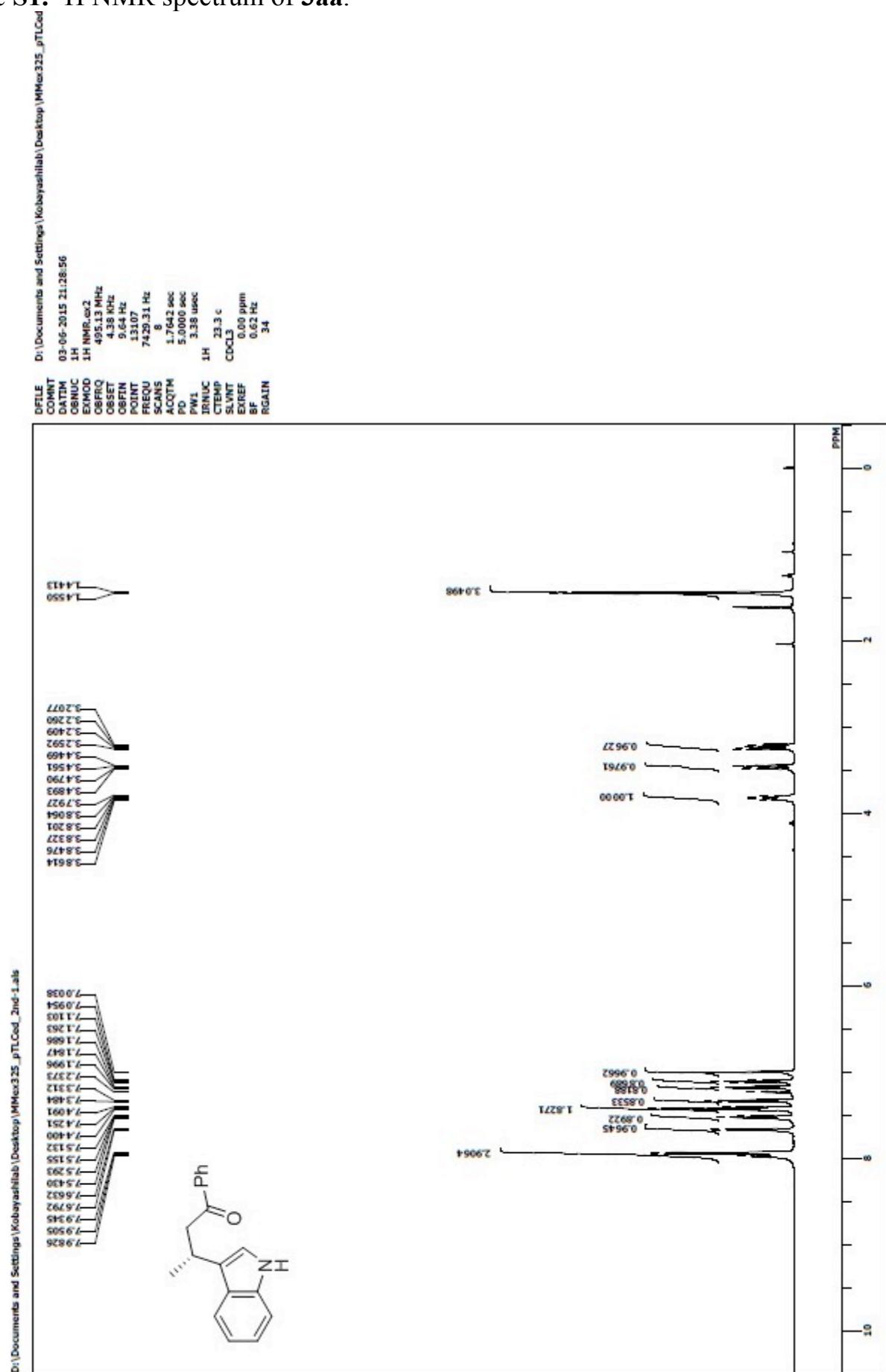


Figure S2. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **3aa**.

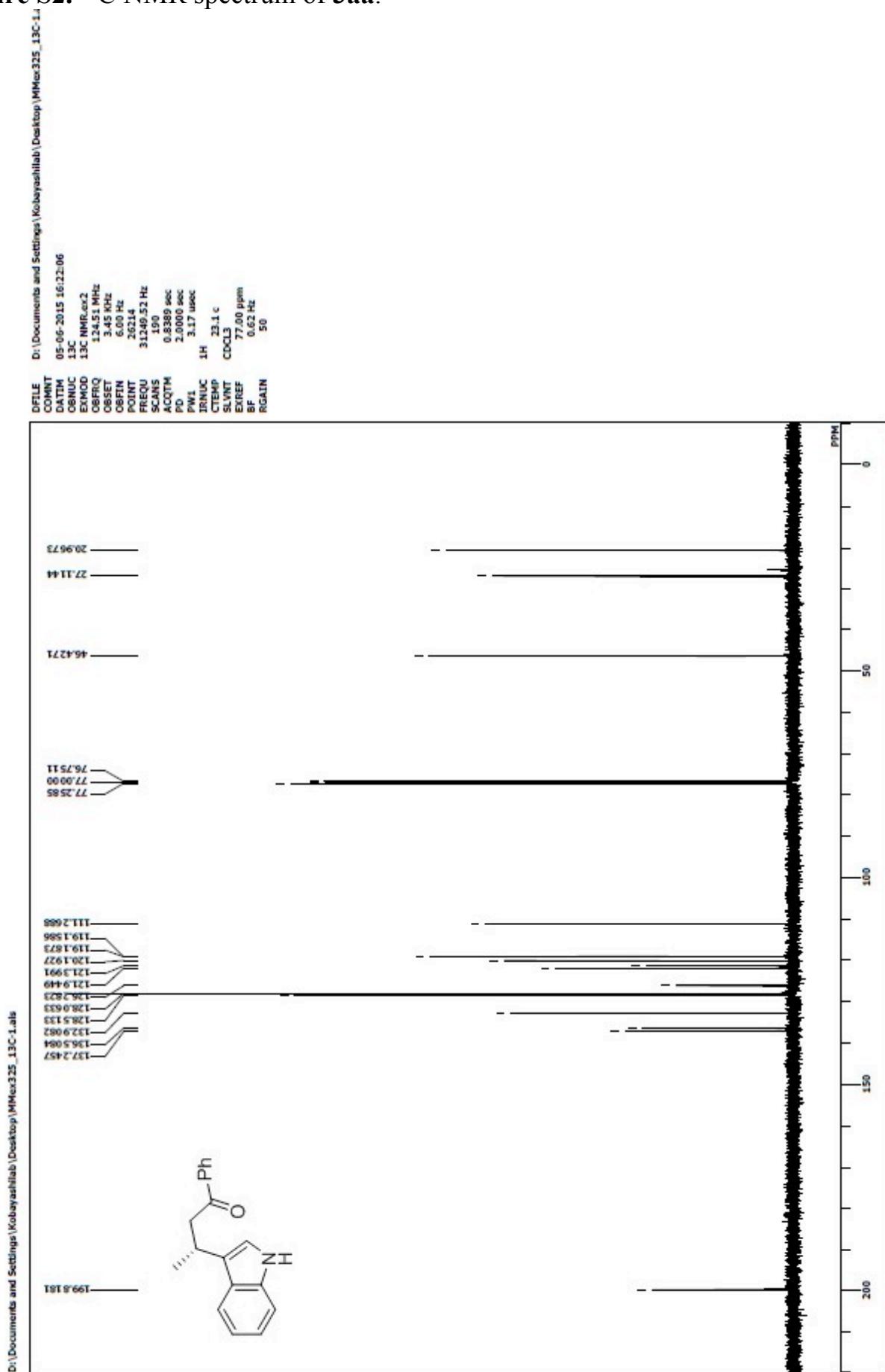


Figure S3. HPLC spectrum of racemic and chiral **3aa**.

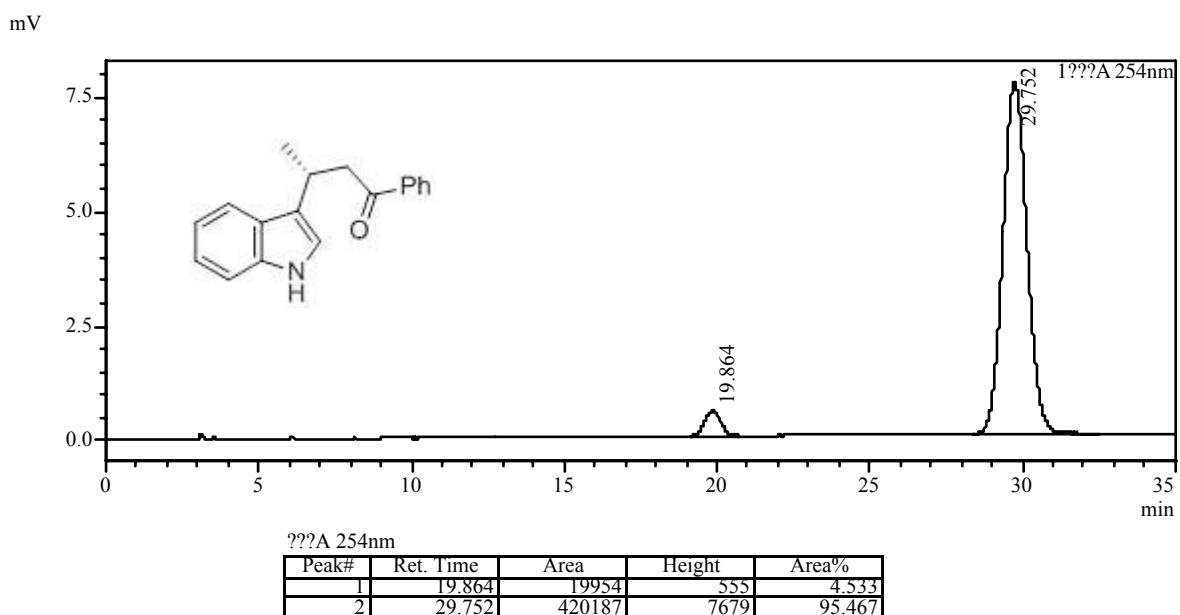
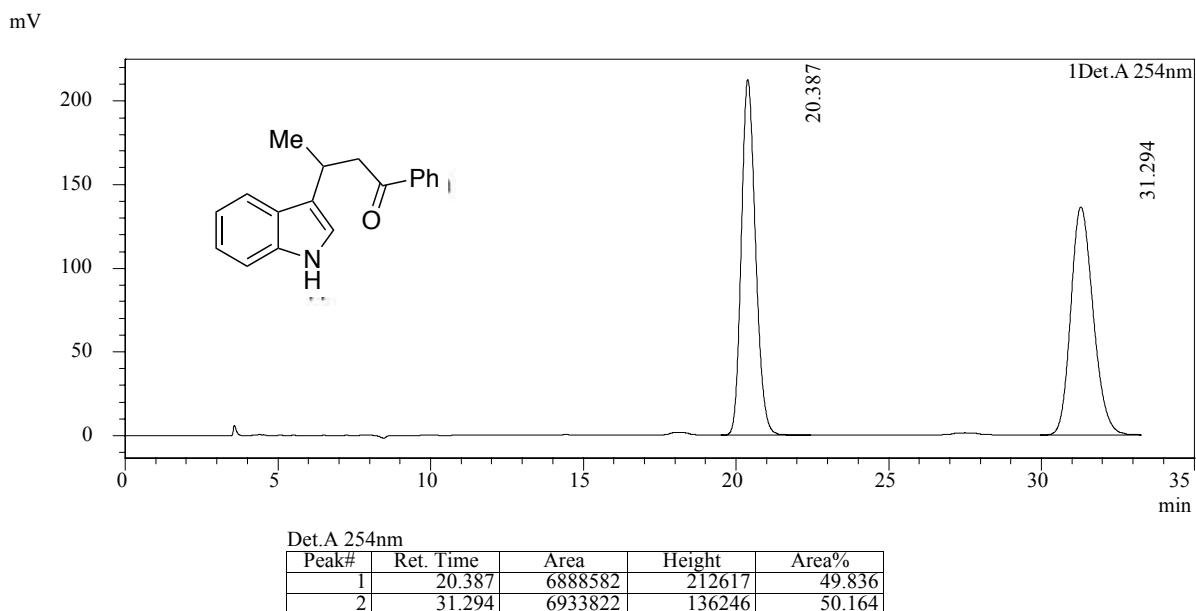


Figure S4. ^1H NMR spectrum of **3ab**.

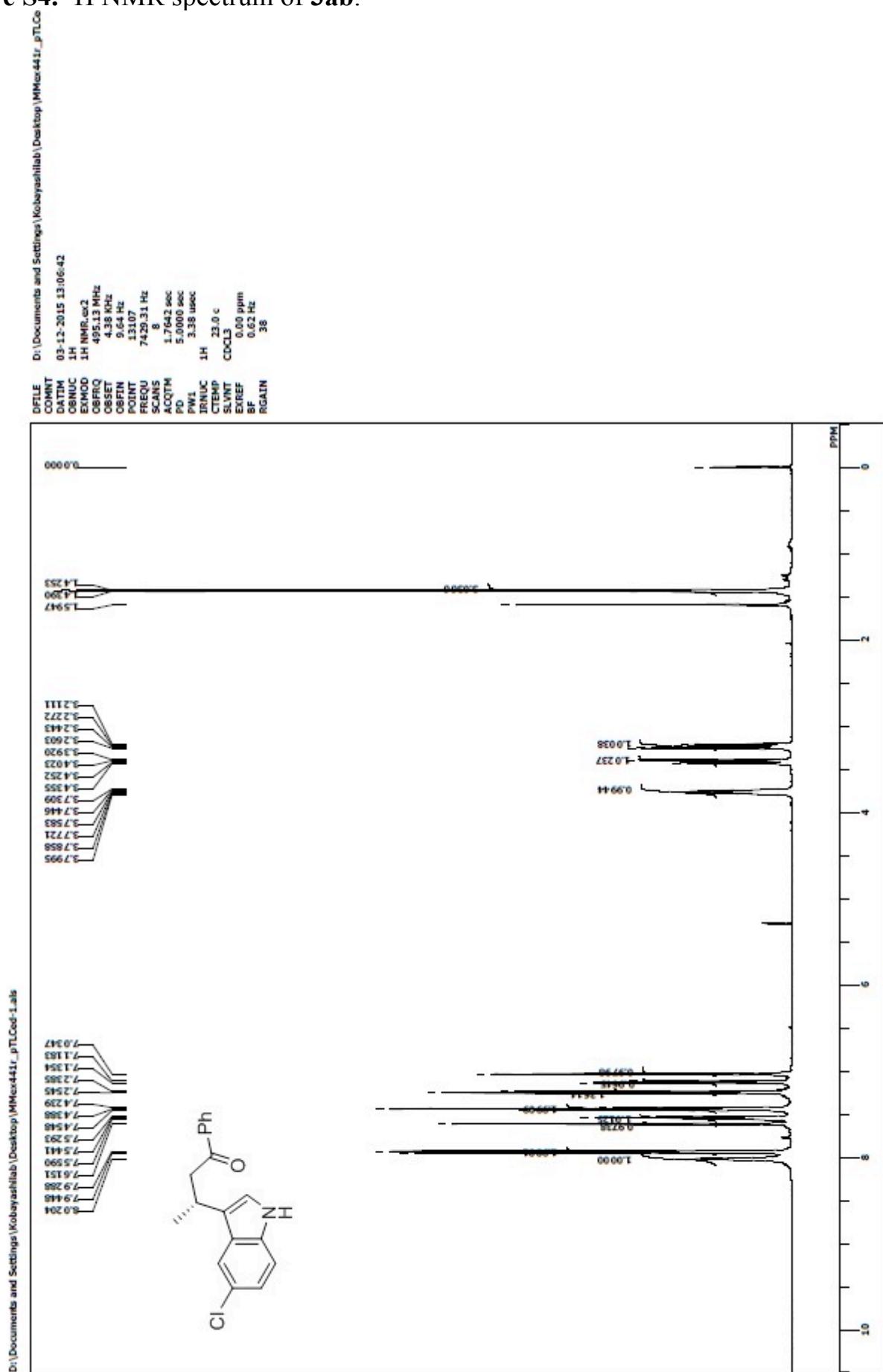


Figure S5. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **3ab**.

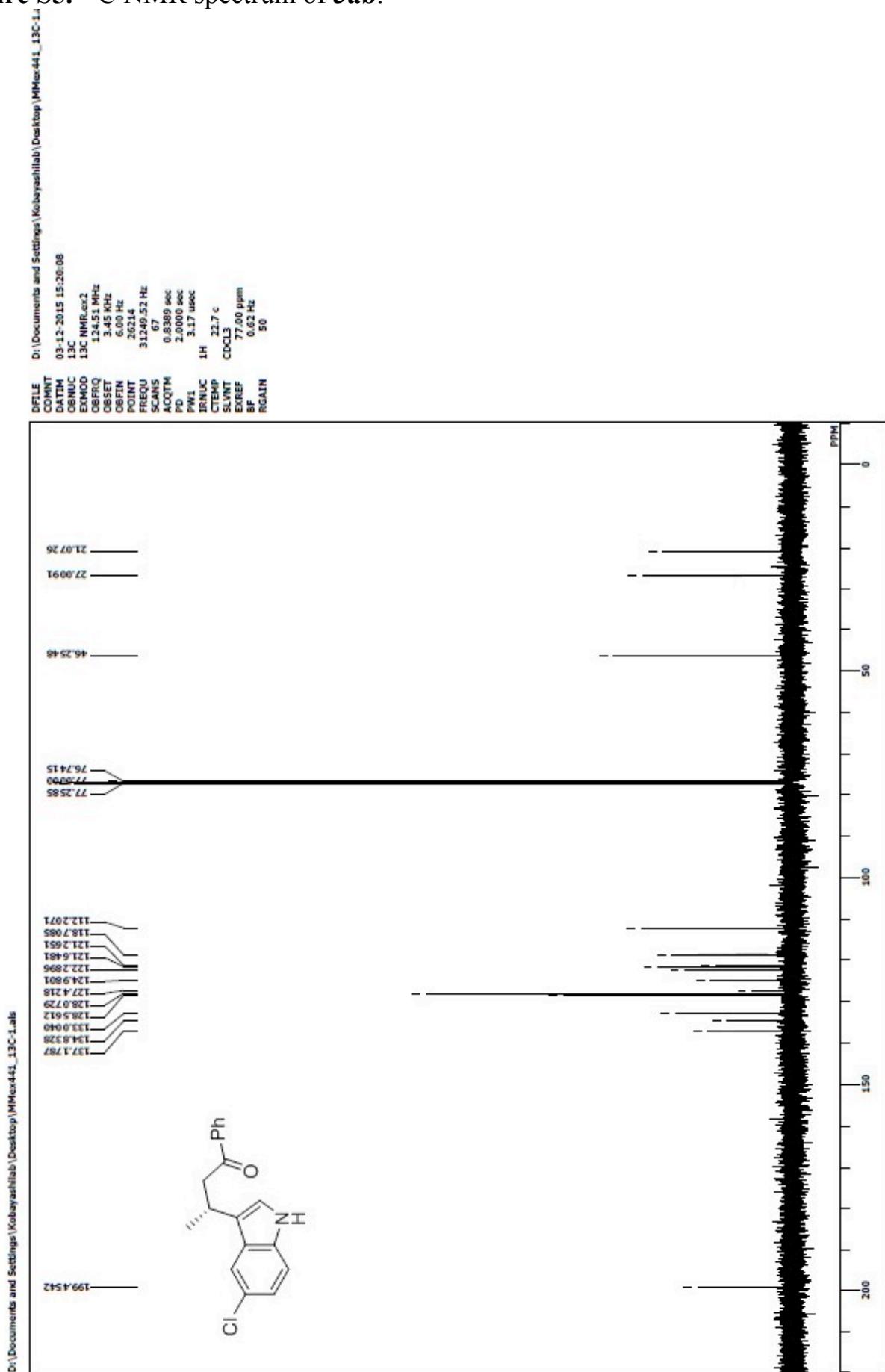
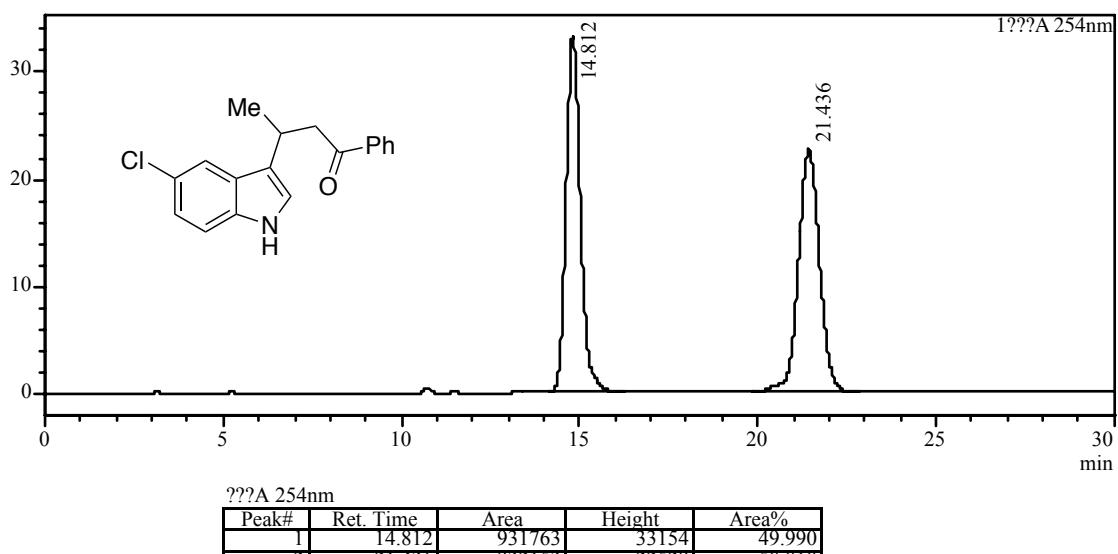


Figure S6. HPLC spectrum of racemic and chiral **3ab**.

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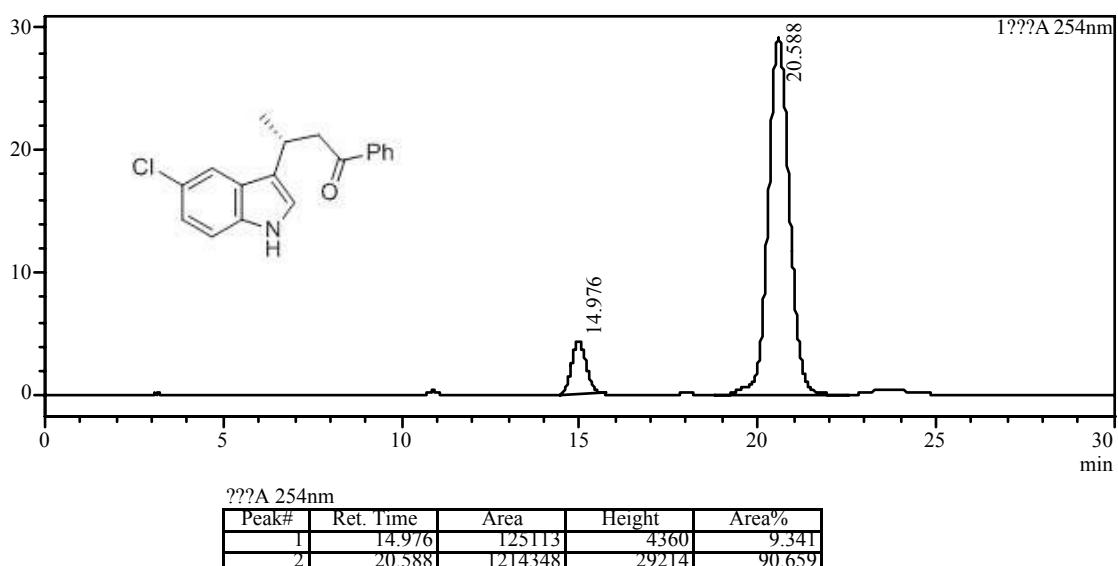


Figure S7. ^1H NMR spectrum of **3ac**.

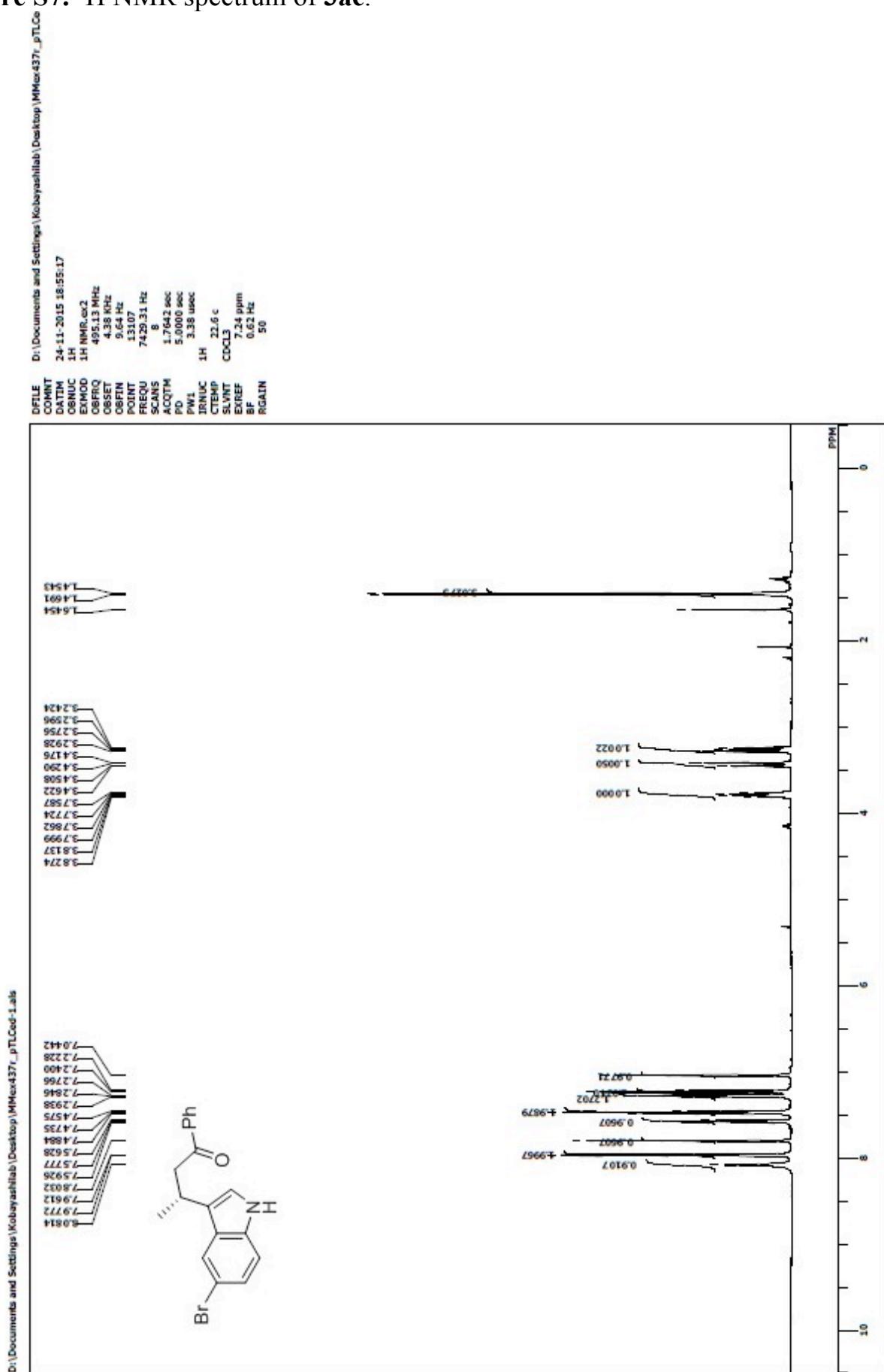


Figure S8. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **3ac**.

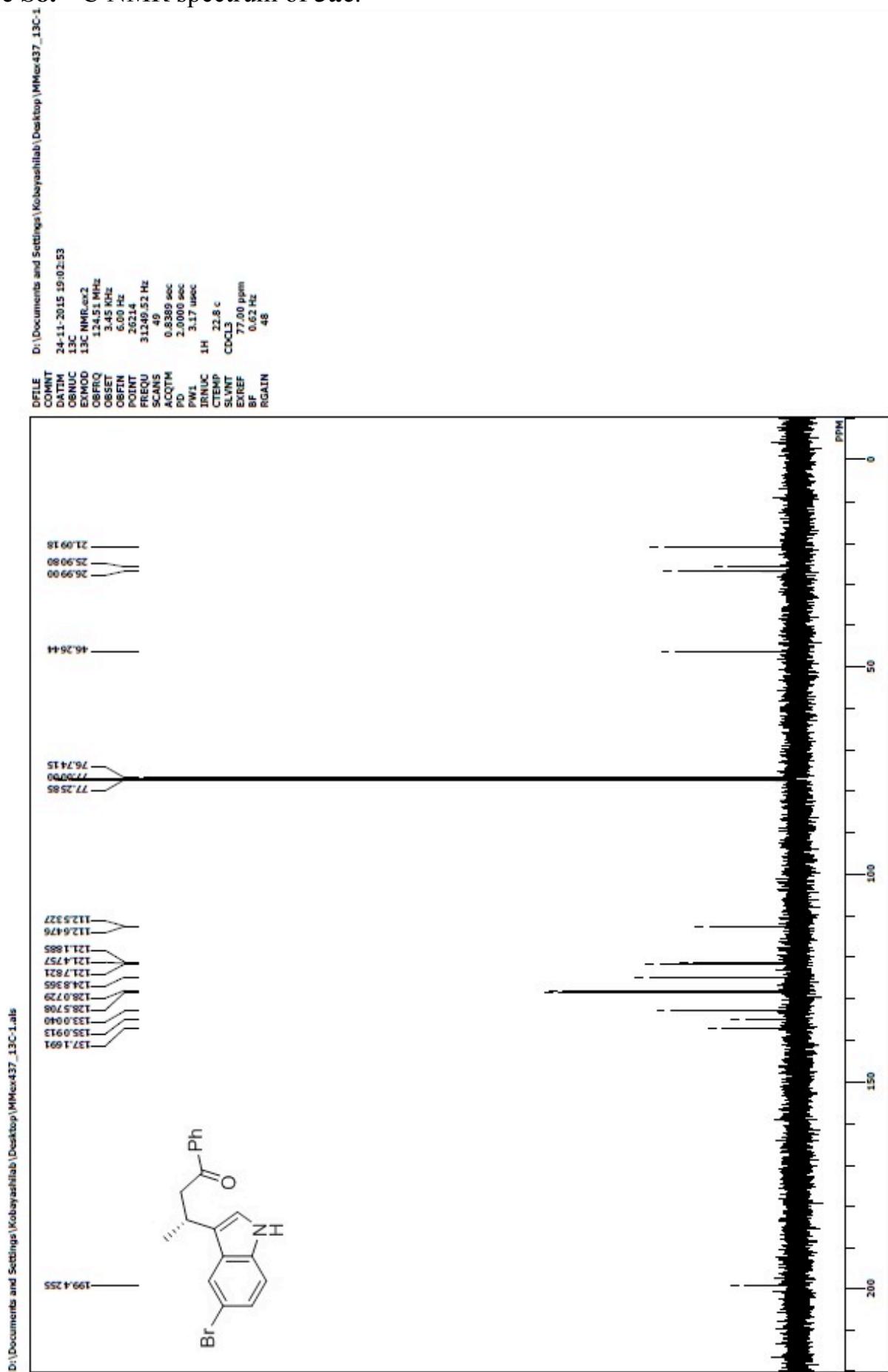
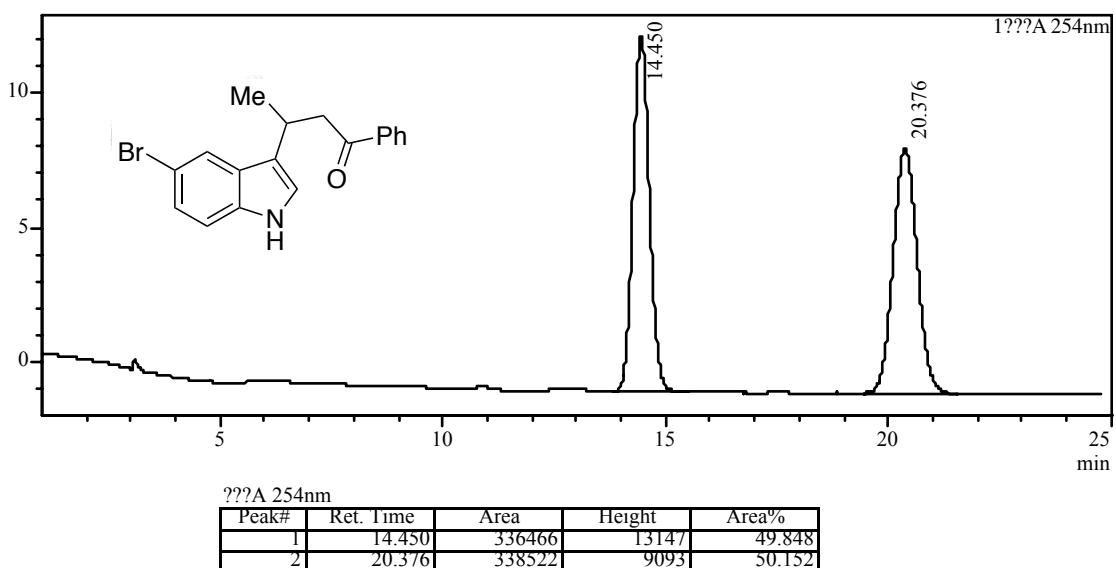


Figure S9. HPLC spectrum of racemic and chiral **3ac**.

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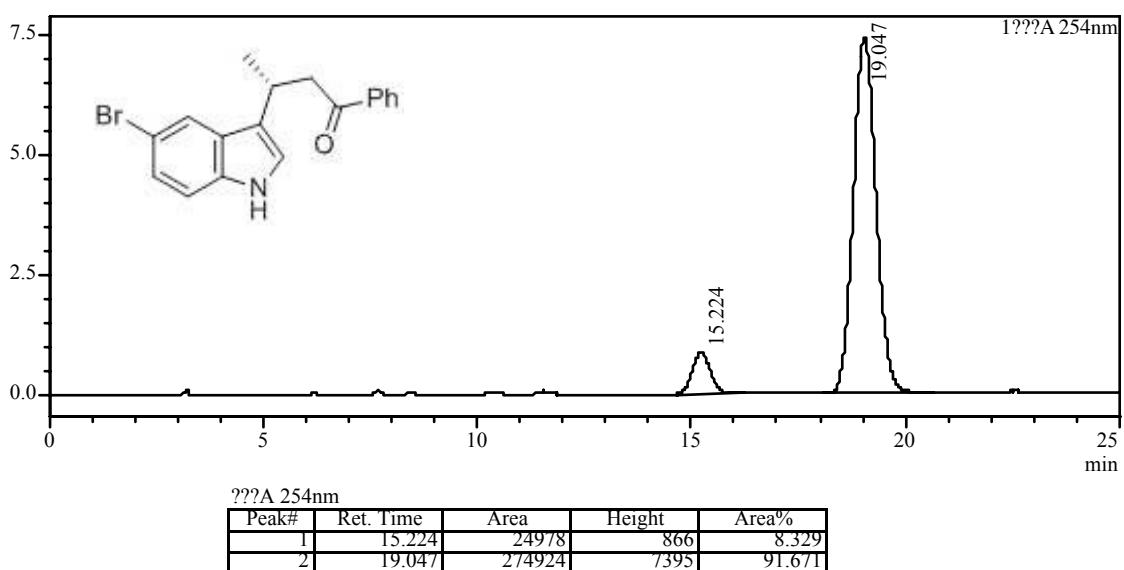


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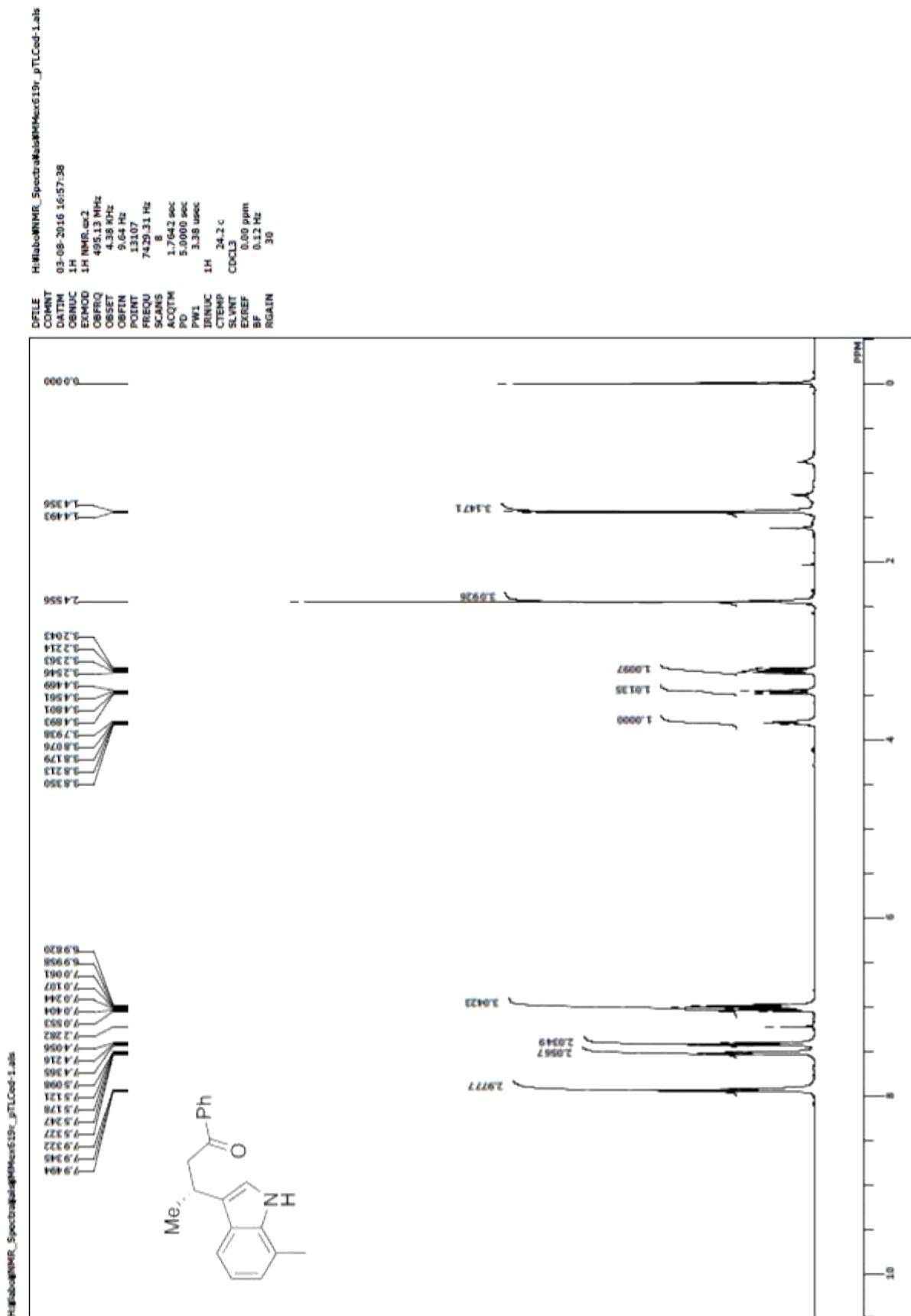


Figure S11. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **3ad**.

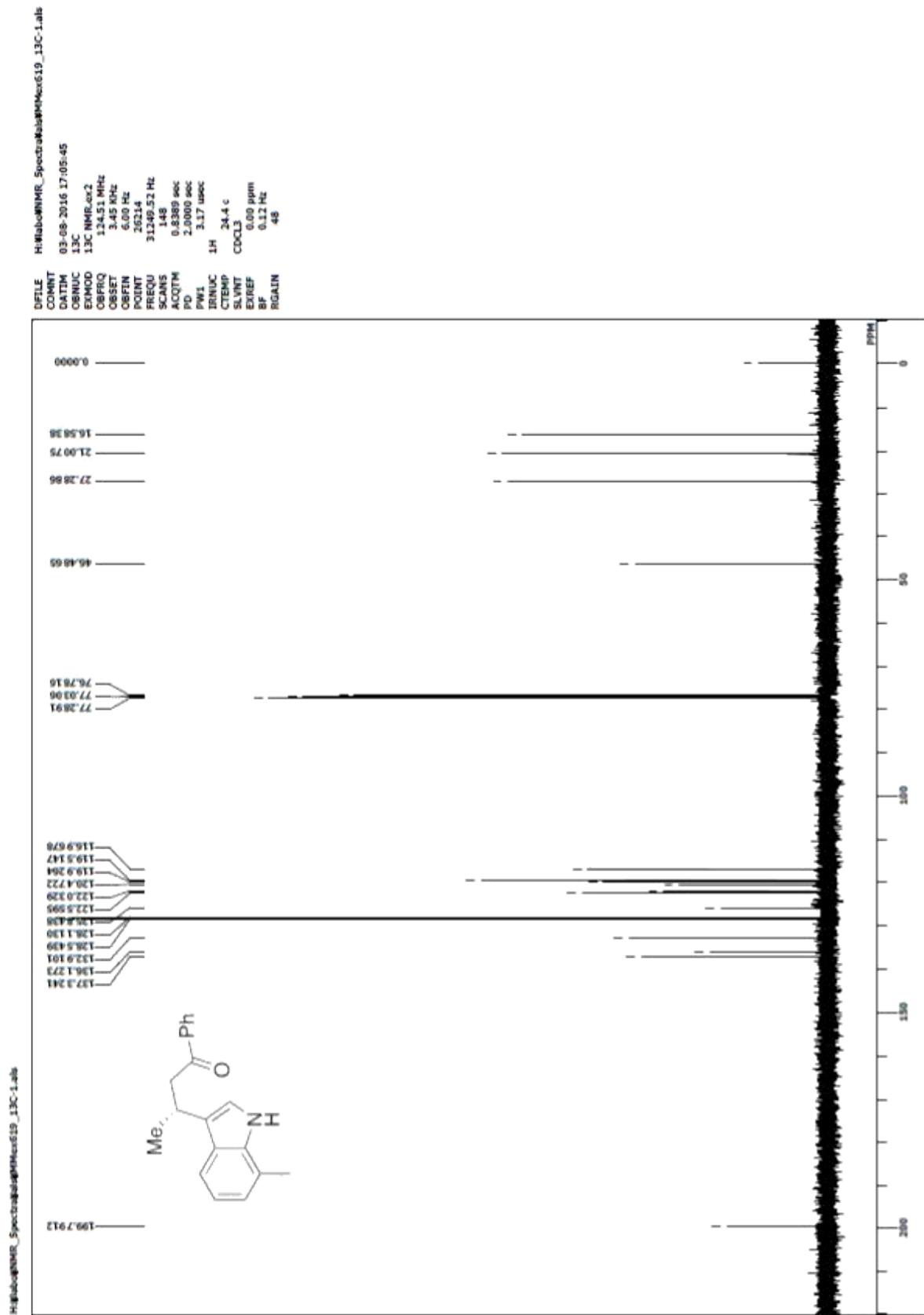
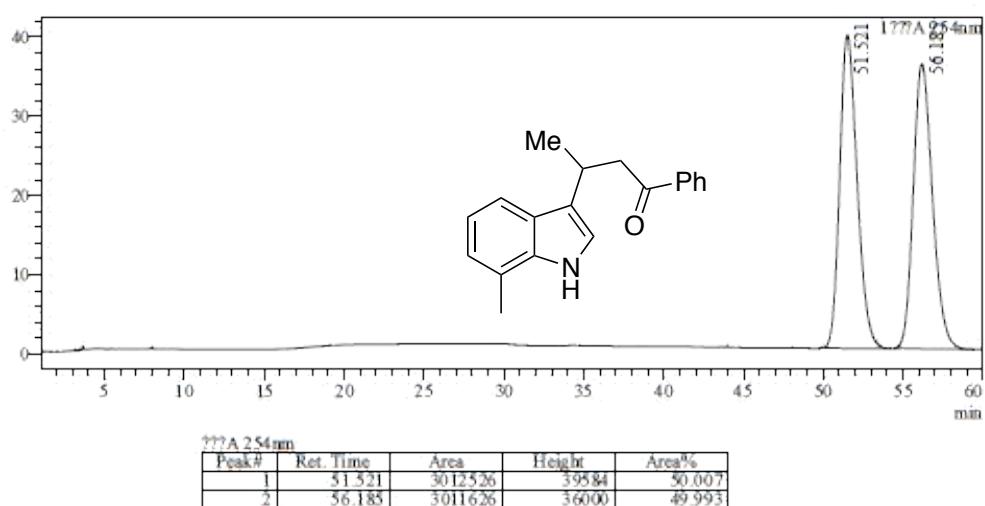


Figure S12. HPLC spectrum of racemic and chiral **3ad**.

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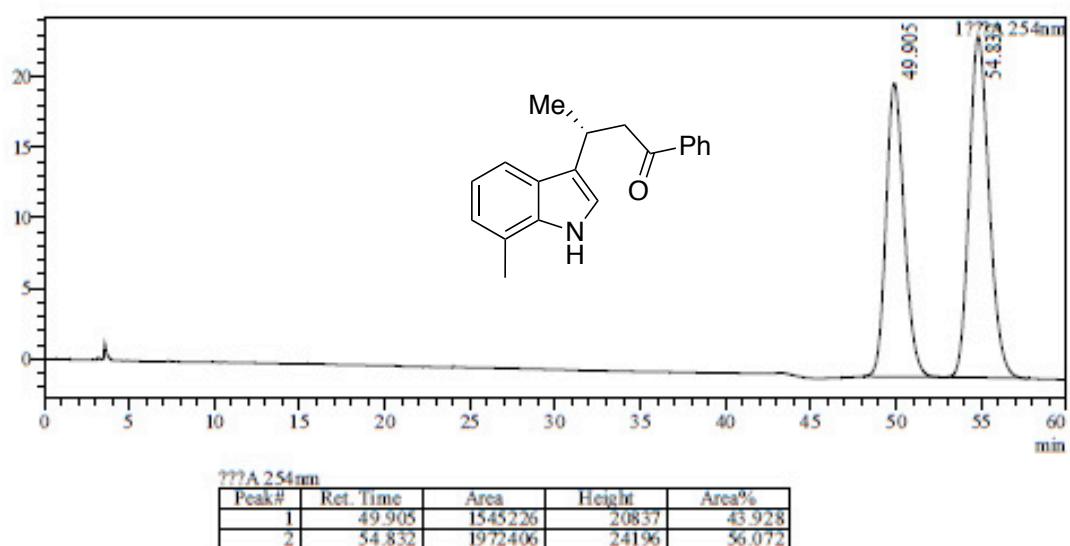


Figure S13. ^1H NMR spectrum of 3ae.

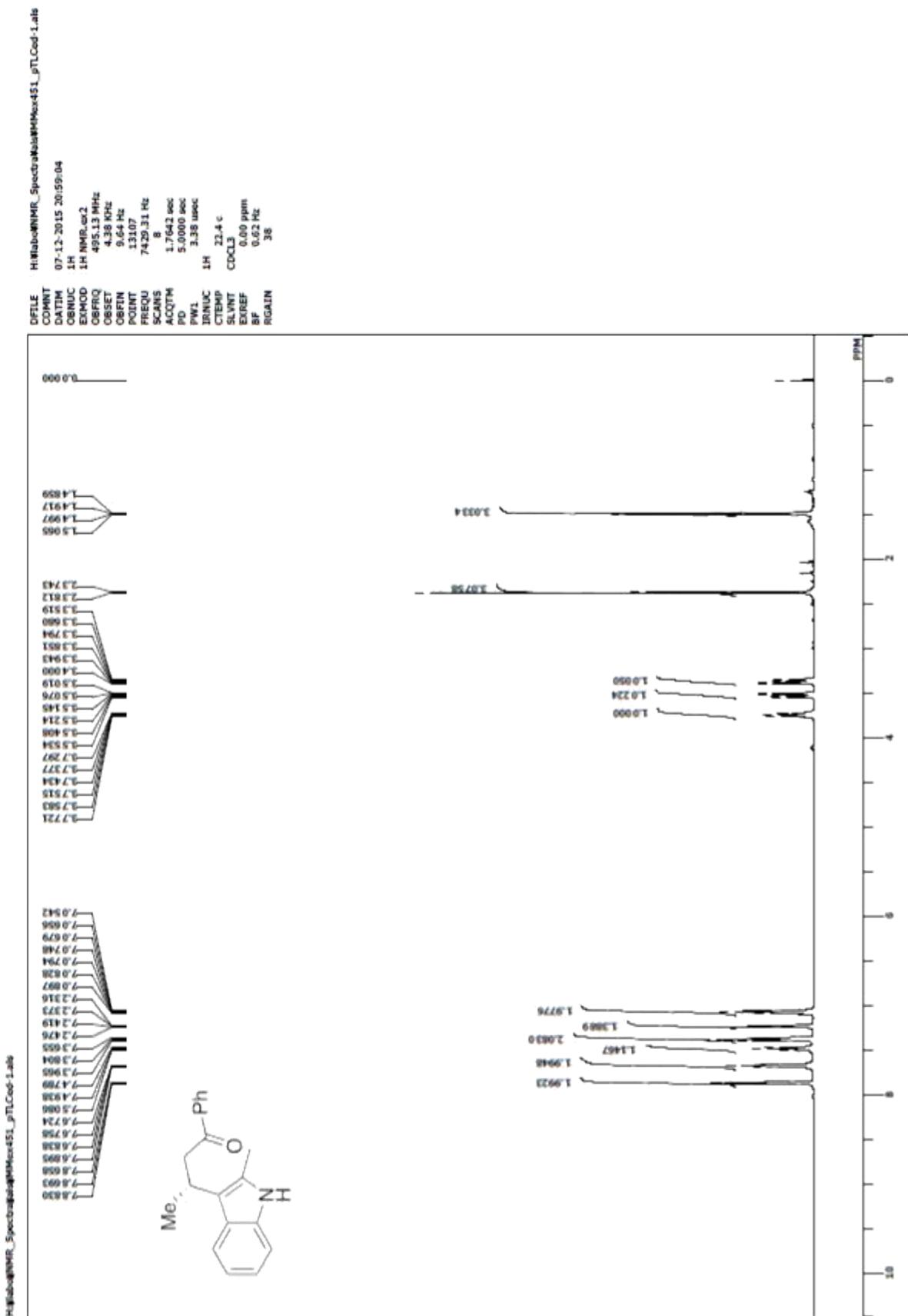


Figure S14. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **3ae**.

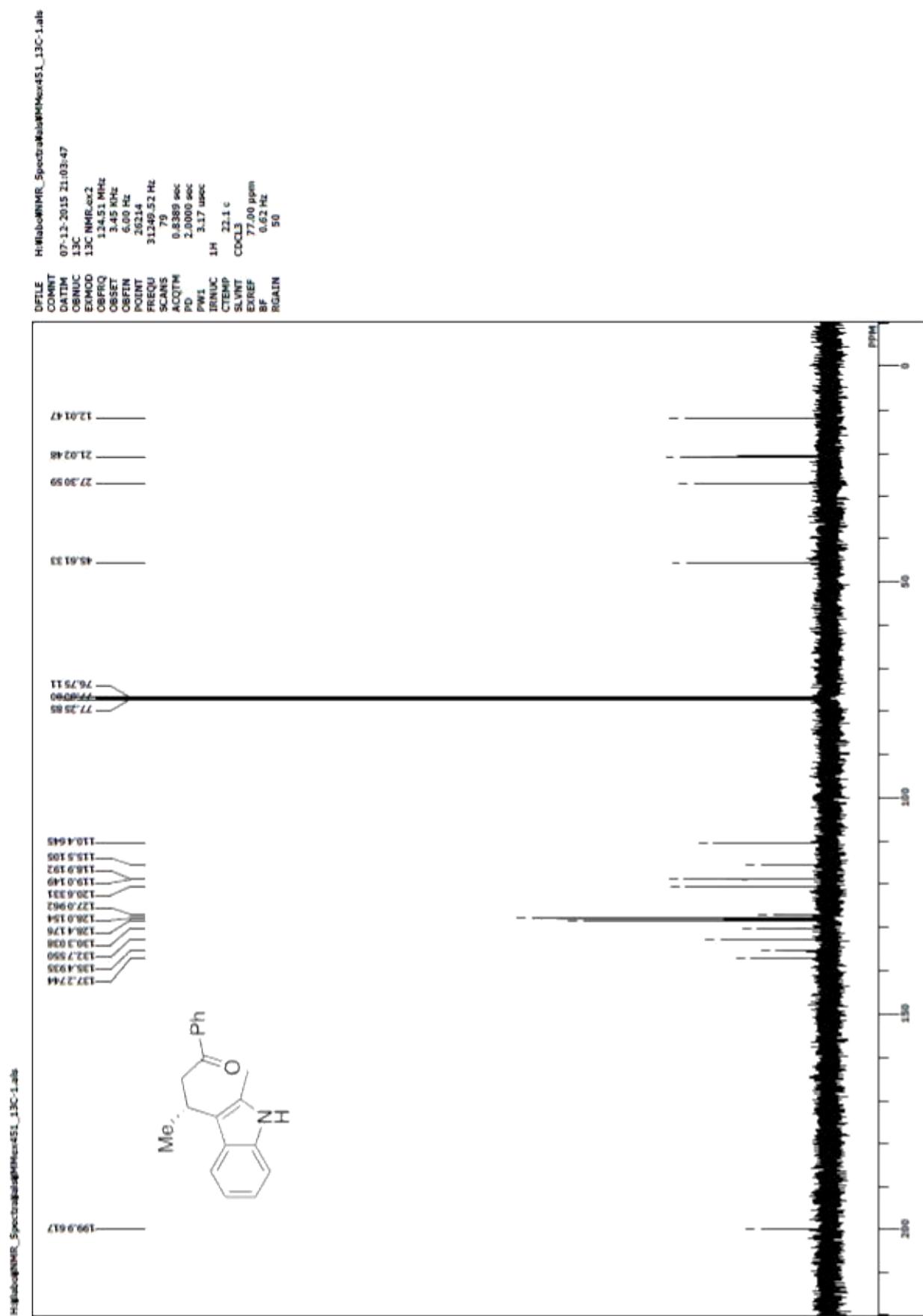


Figure S15. ^1H NMR spectrum of **3af**.

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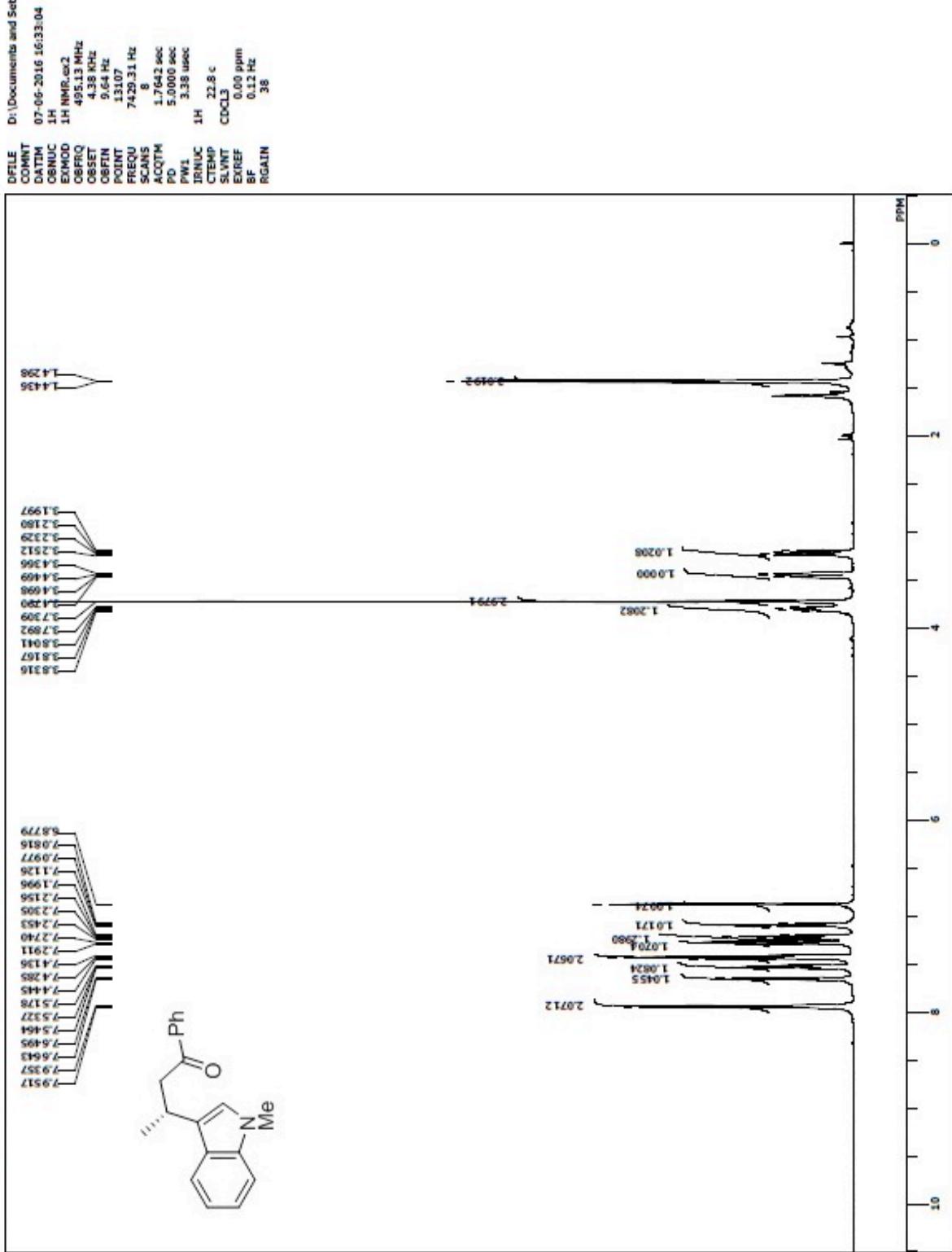


Figure S16. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **3af**.

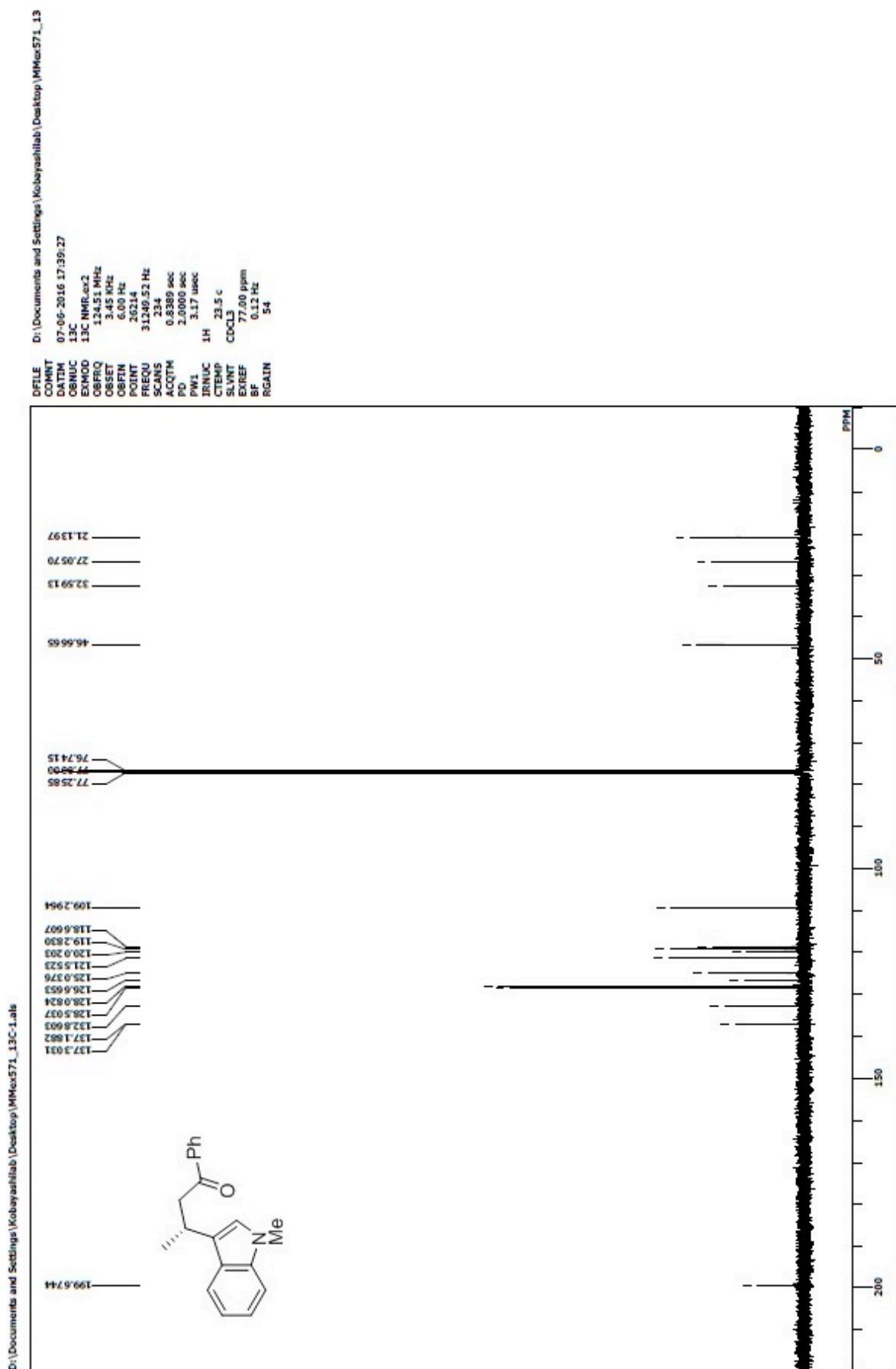


Figure S17. HPLC spectrum of racemic and chiral **3af**.

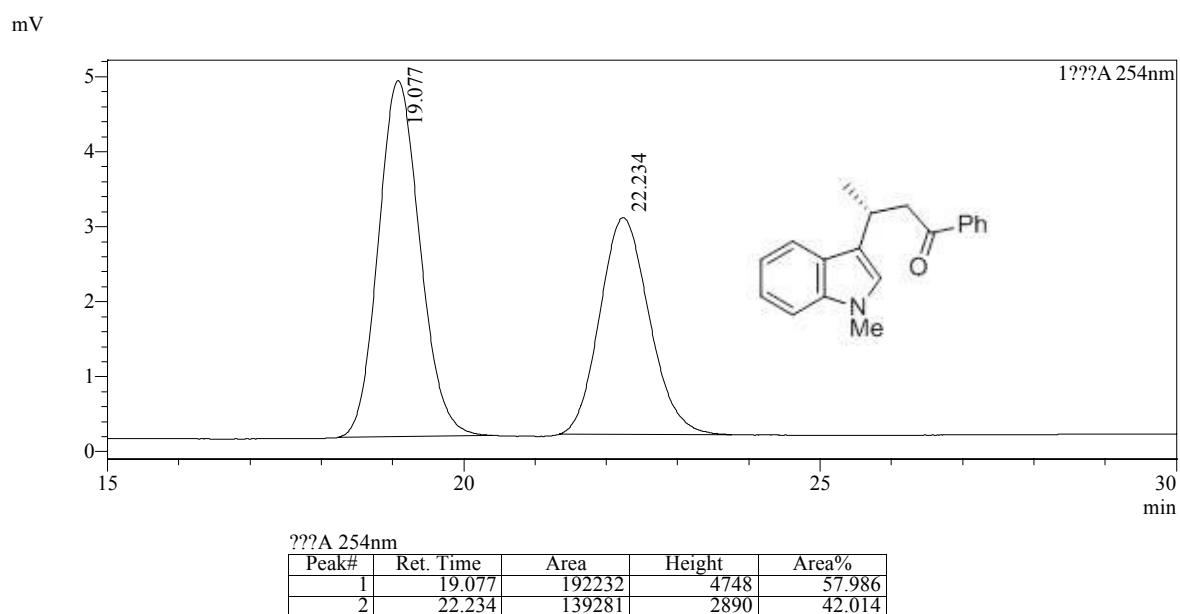
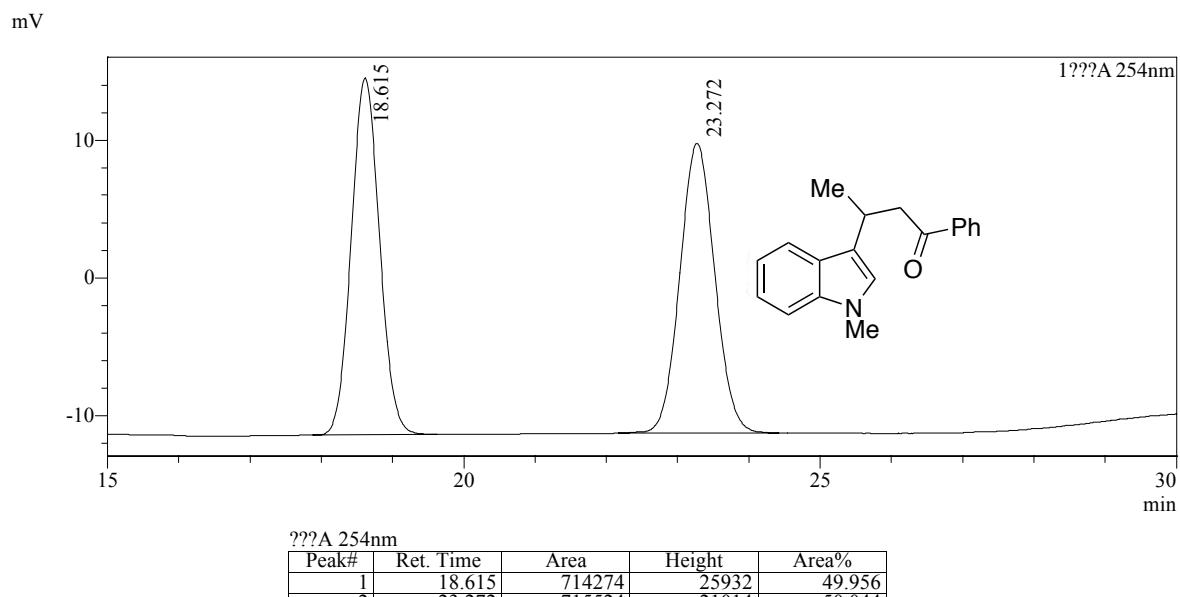


Figure S18. ^1H NMR spectrum of **3ba**.

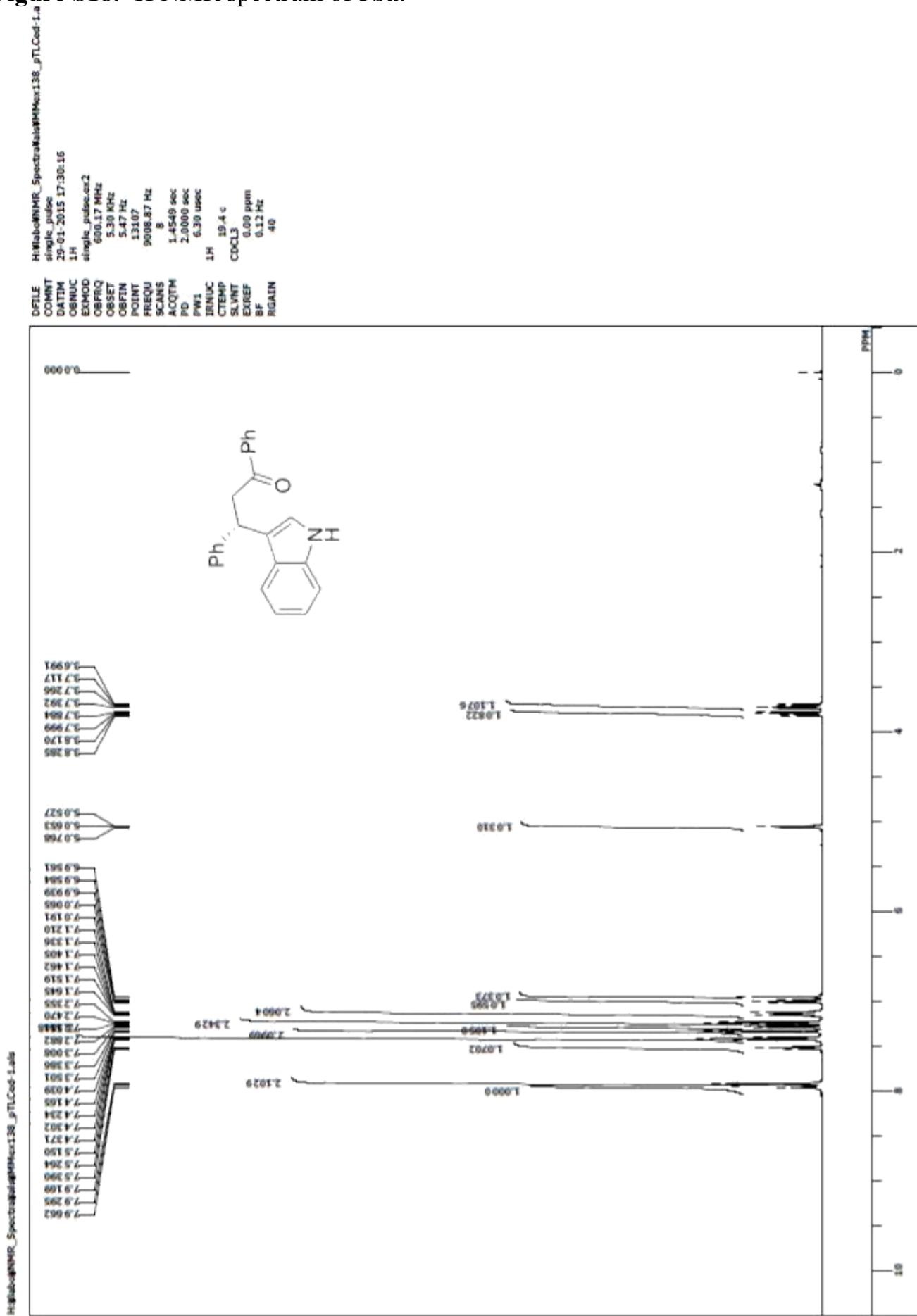


Figure S19. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **3ba**.

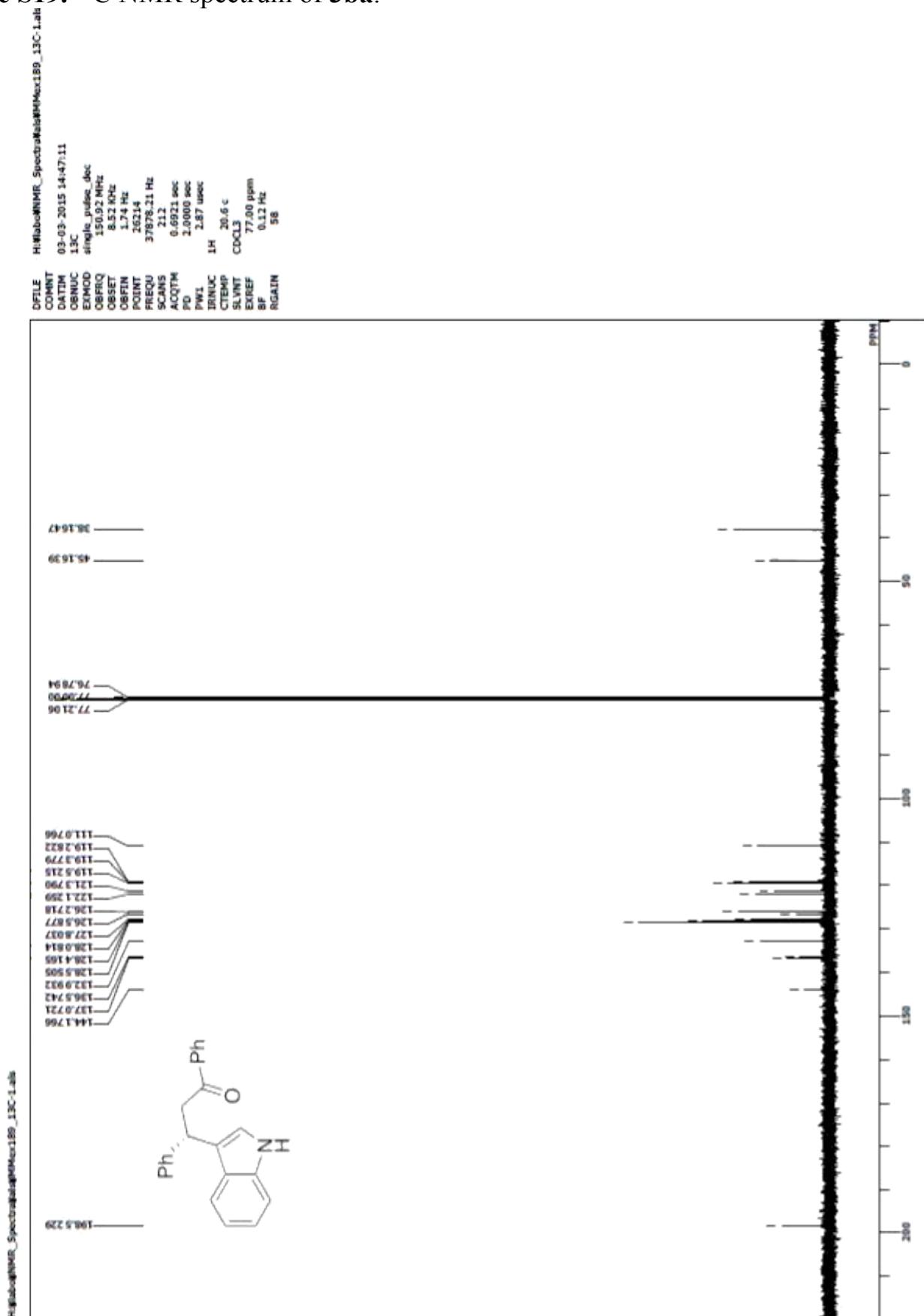


Figure S20. HPLC spectrum of racemic and chiral **3ba**.

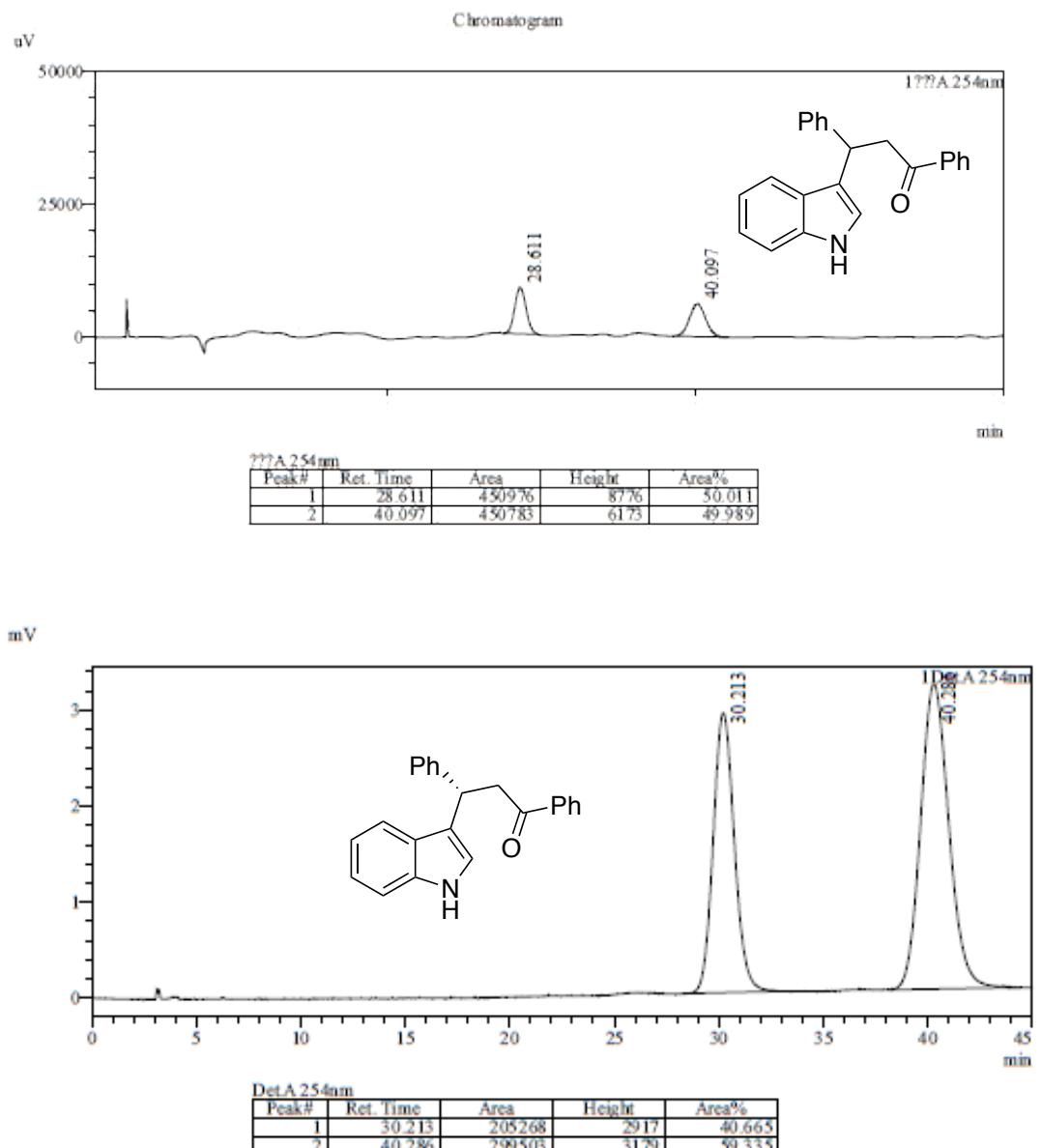


Figure S21. ^1H NMR spectrum of **3ca**.

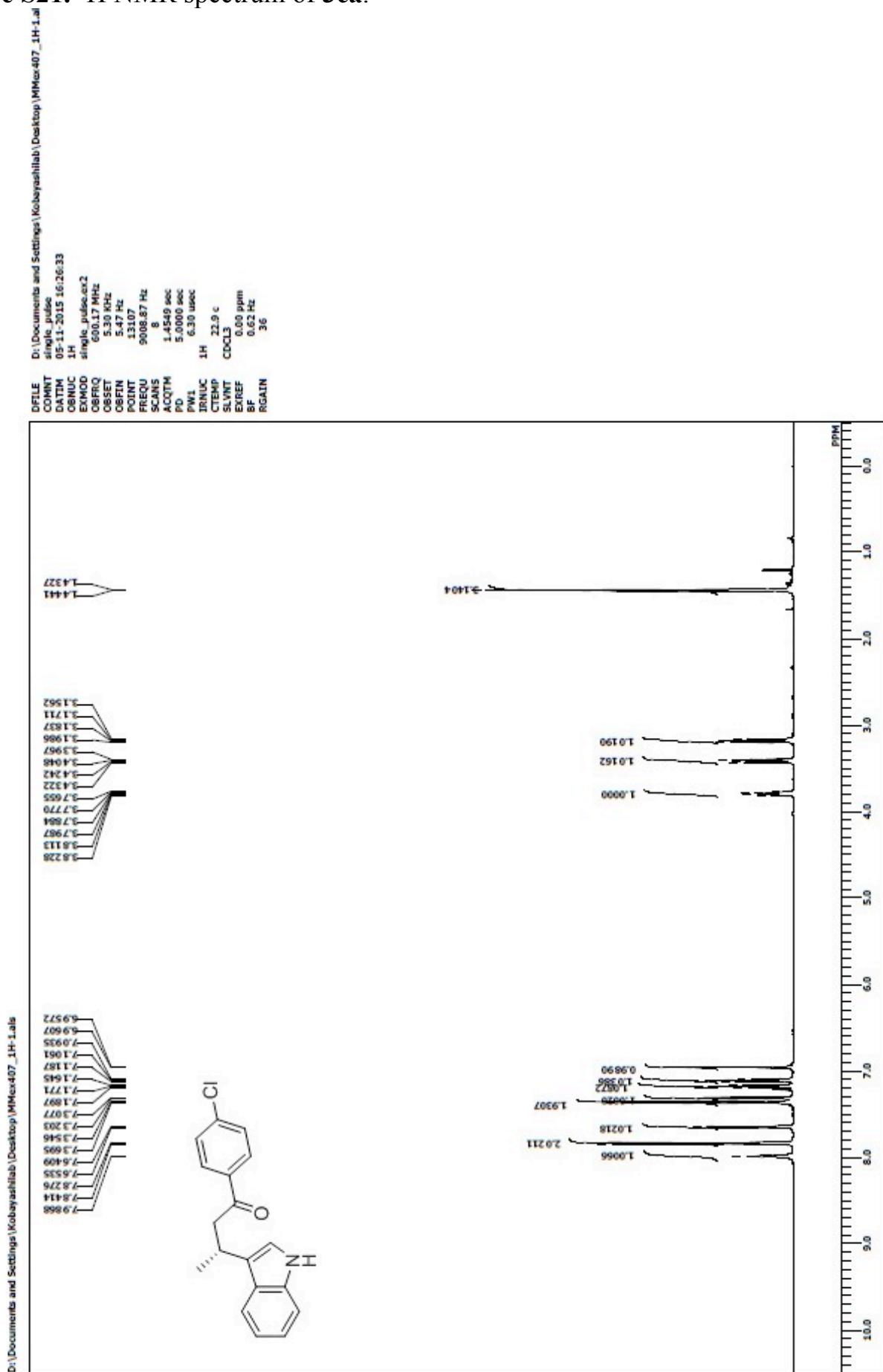


Figure S22. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **3ca**.

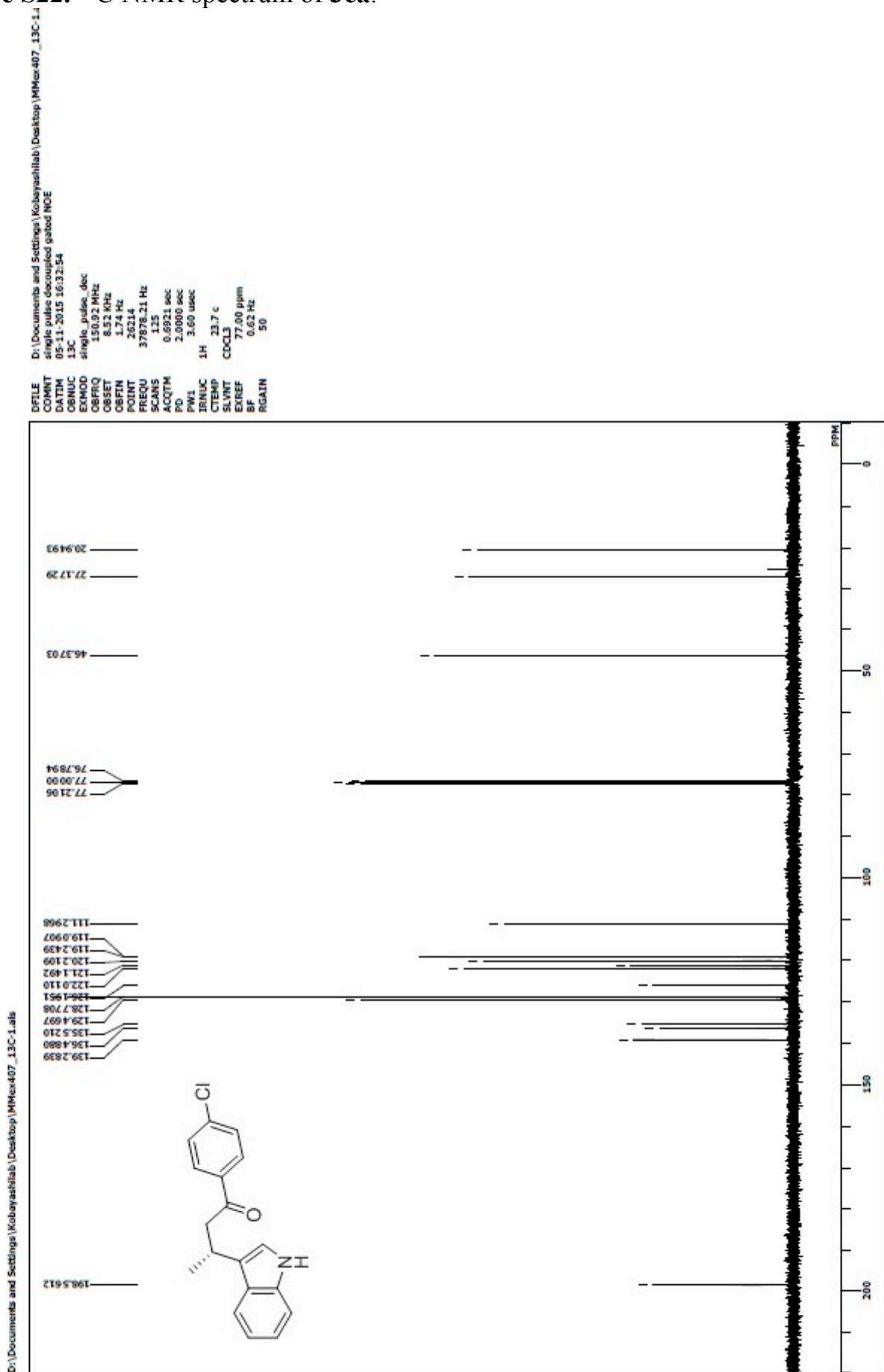
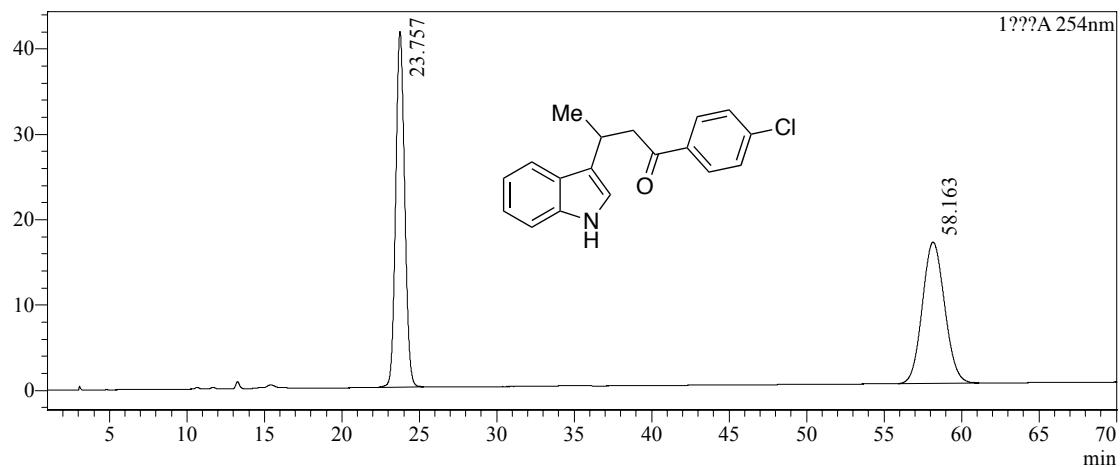


Figure S23. HPLC spectrum of racemic and chiral **3ca**.

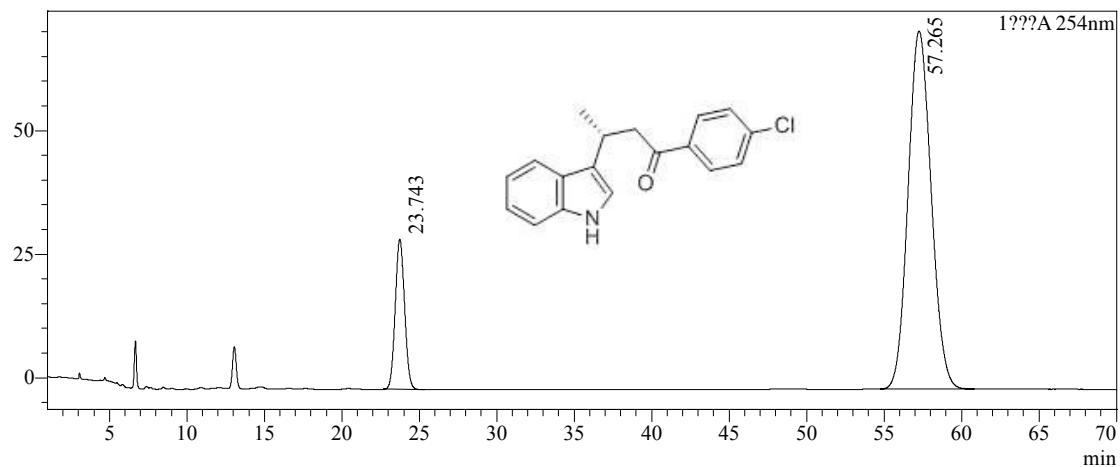
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mV



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Figure S24. ^1H NMR spectrum of **3da**.

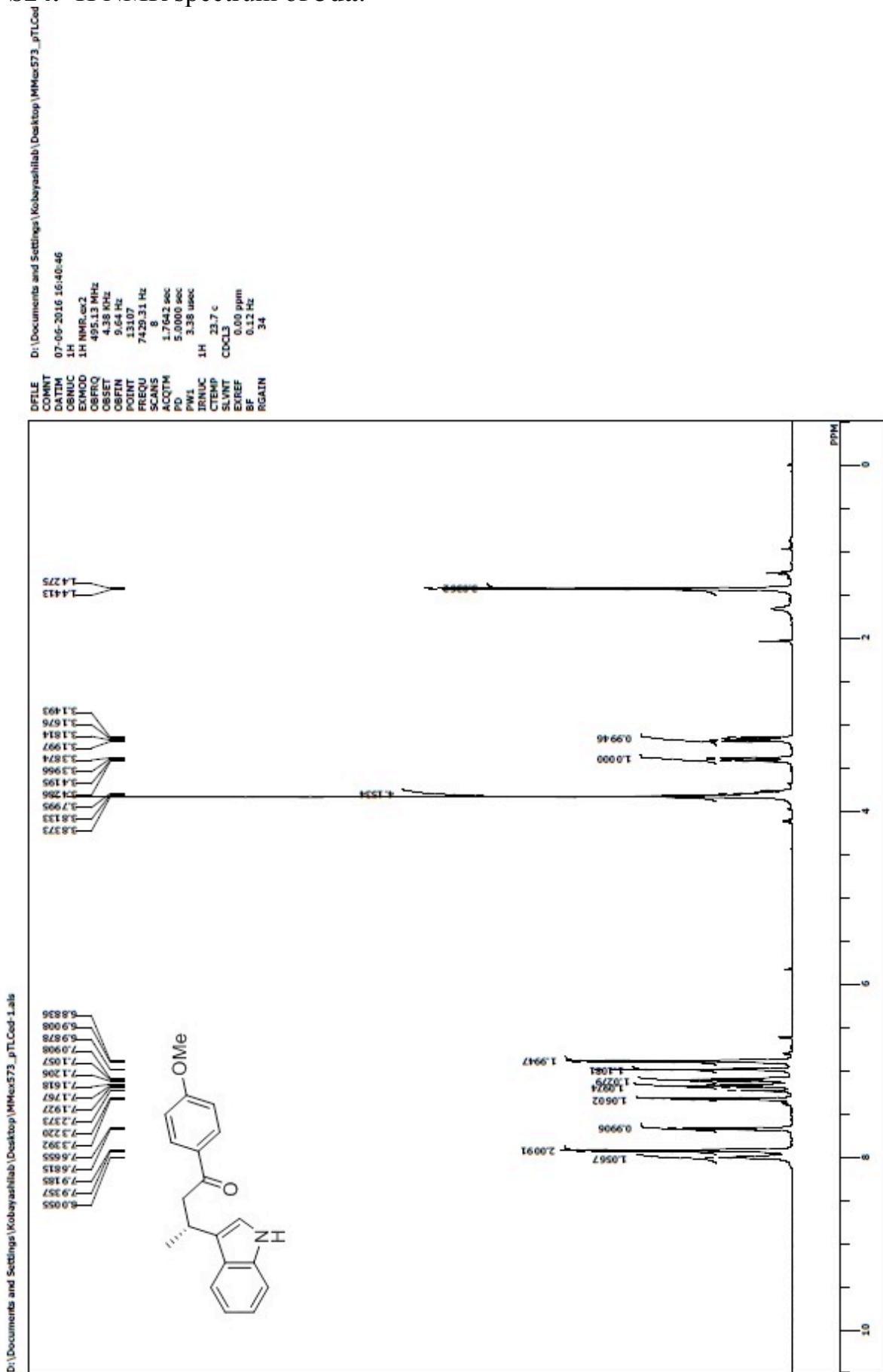


Figure S25. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **3da**.

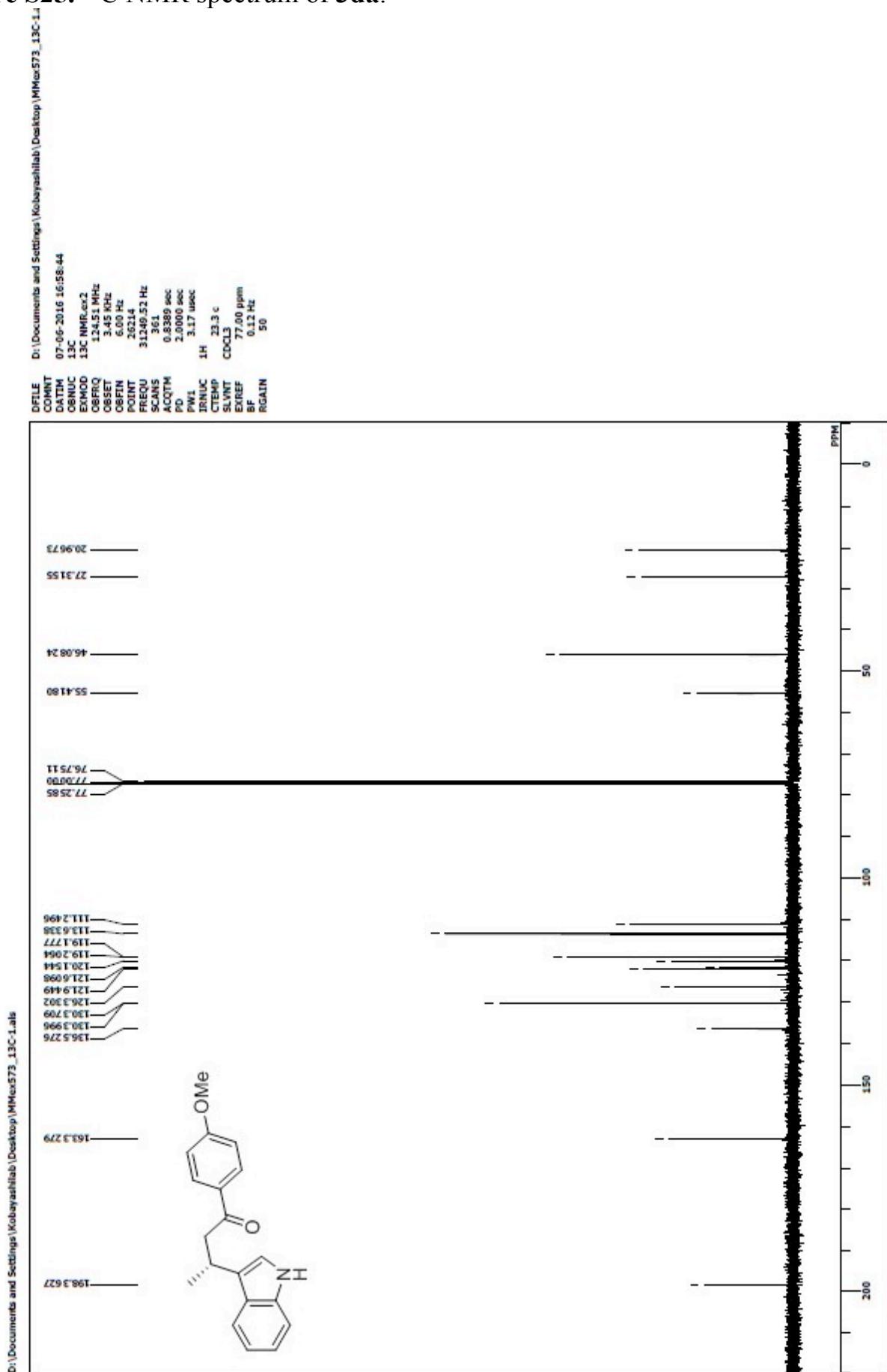
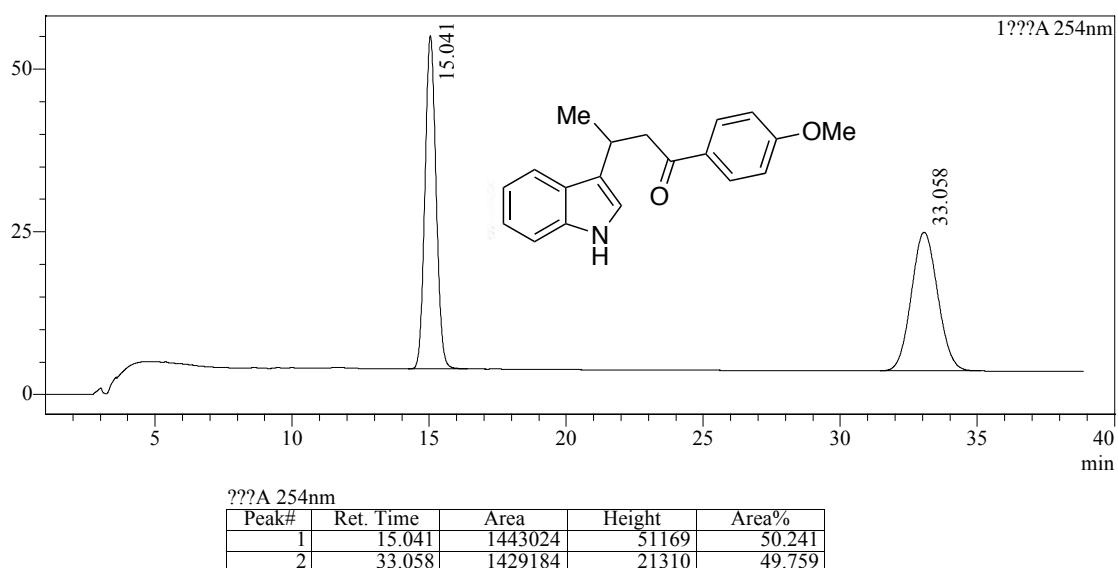


Figure S26. HPLC spectrum of racemic and chiral **3da**.

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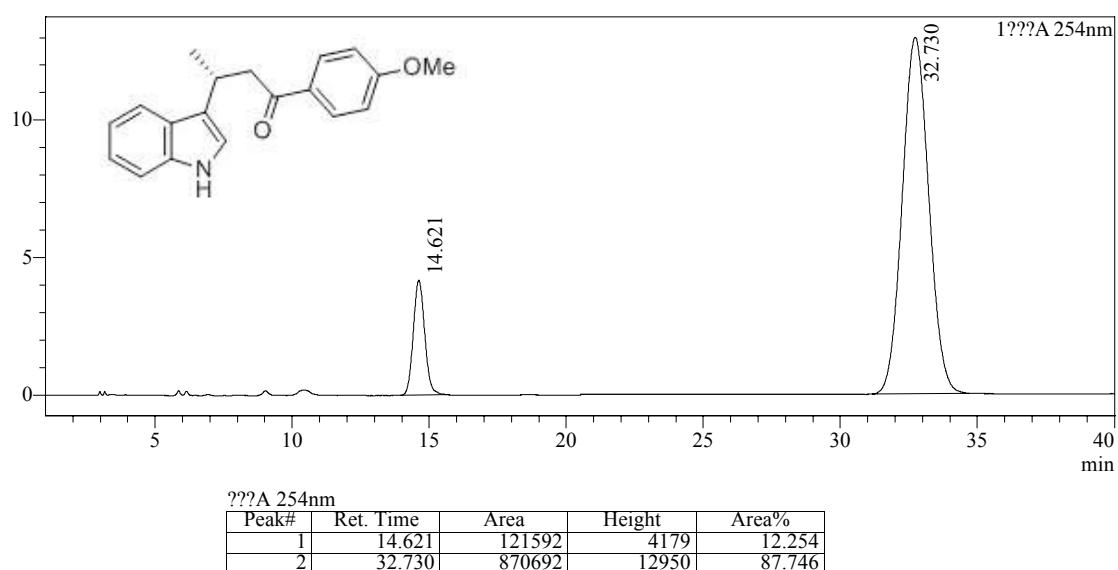


Figure S27. ^1H NMR spectrum of **3ea**.

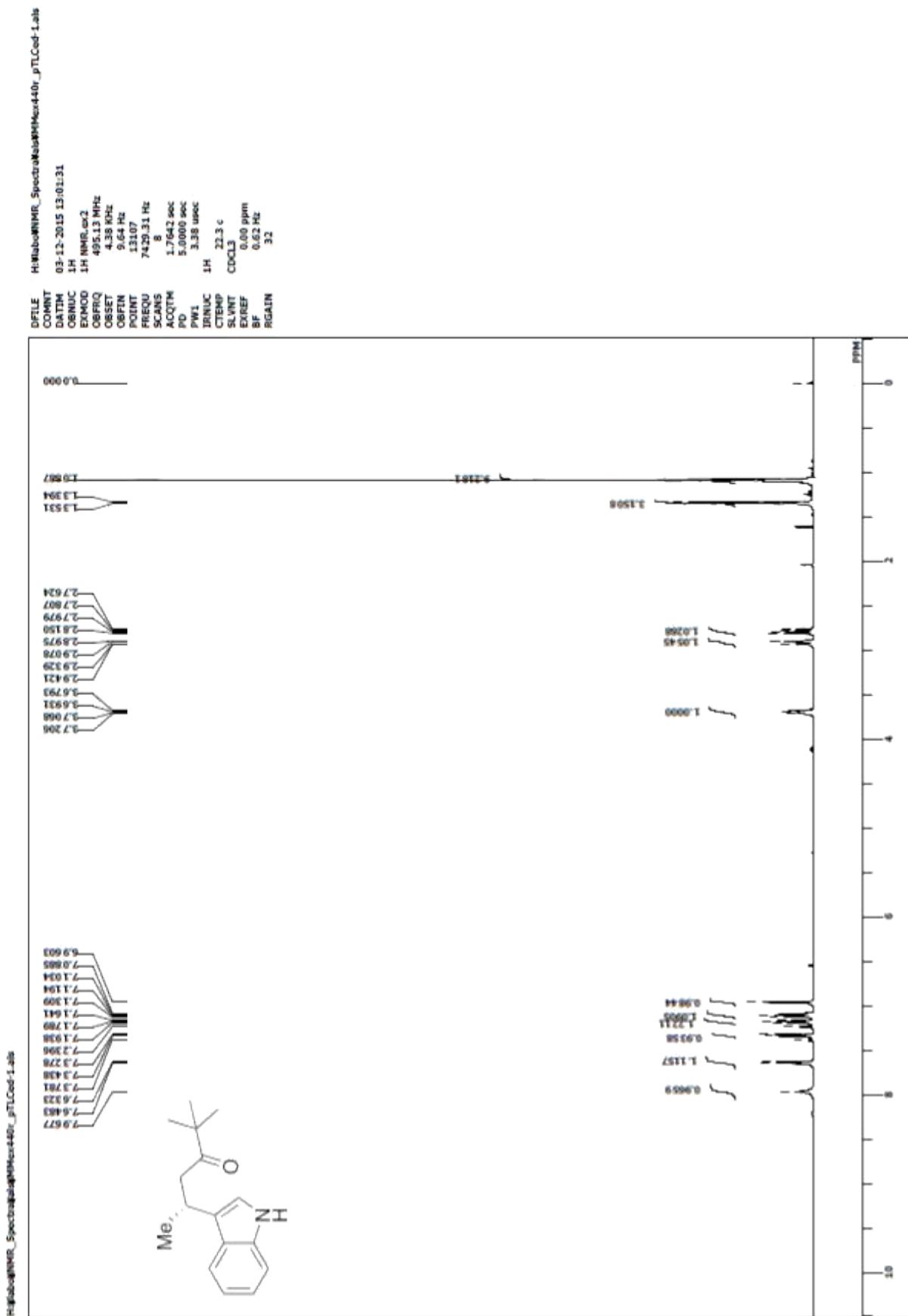


Figure S28. ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **3ea**.

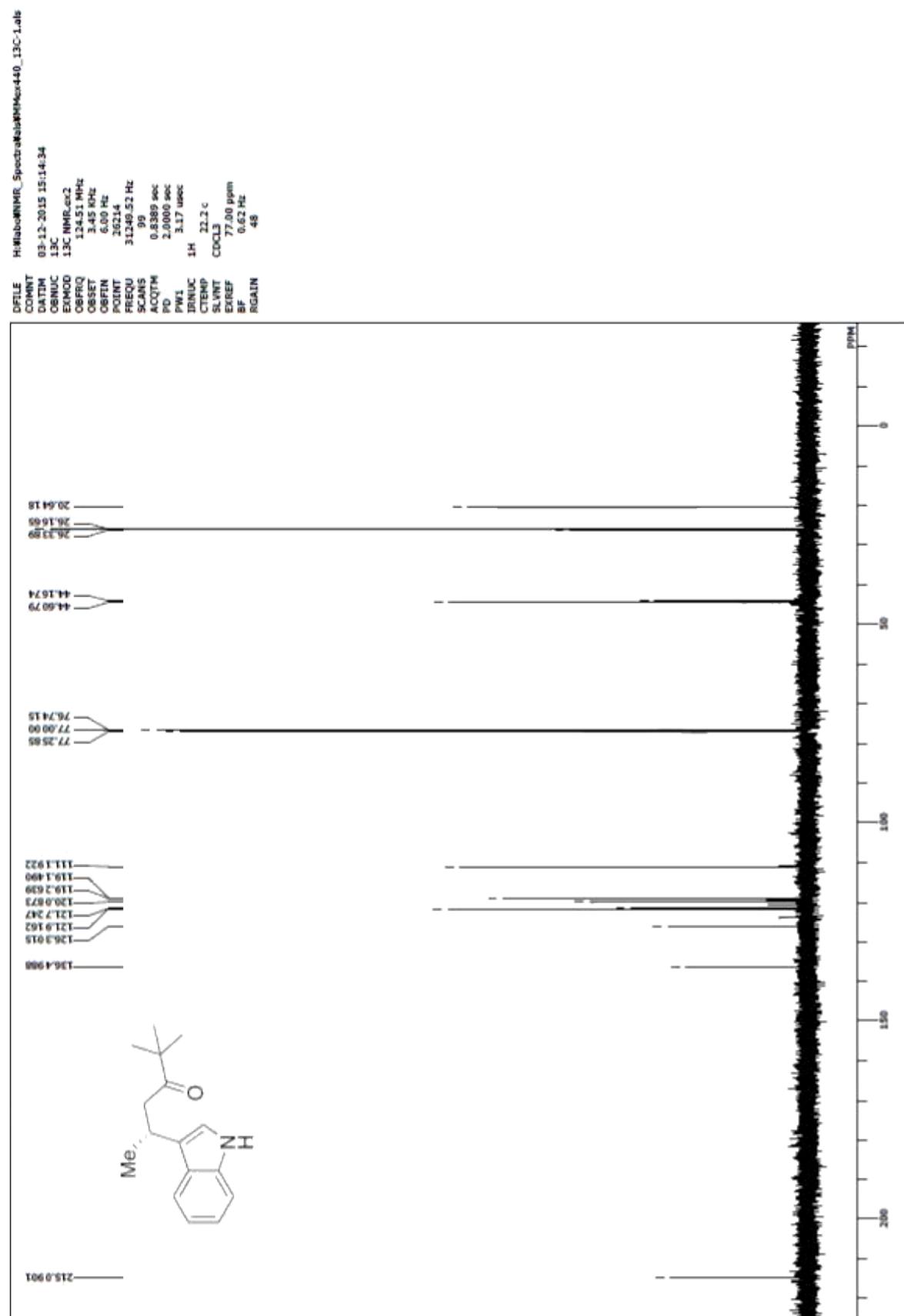


Figure S29. HPLC spectrum of racemic and chiral **3ea**.

