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Pactamycin, first reported in 1962, is a potent antitumor antibiotic produced by the soil bacterium *Streptomyces pactum*. Structurally, it contains a cyclopentitol core unit, a 3-aminoacetophenone (3AAP), a 6-methylsalicylic acid (6-MSA), and a *N*,*N*dimethyl urea. The aminocyclopentitol ring is derived from glucose, possibly via *N*-acetyl glucosamine (GlcNAc), the 3-aminoacetophenone (3AAP) moiety is derived from 3aminobenzoic acid (3ABA), and the 6-MSA moiety is produced from acetate by an iterative type I polyketide synthase. Despite some knowledge of its biosynthetic origin, details of the mode of formation of this unique natural product are still elusive.

Using genetic, chemical complementation, and biochemical studies we demonstrate that 3ABA is processed by a set of discrete polyketide synthase proteins, i.e. an AMP-forming acyl-CoA synthetase (PtmS), an acyl carrier protein (ACP) (PtmI), and a β ketoacyl-ACP synthase (PtmK), to give 3-[3-aminophenyl]3-oxopropionyl-ACP, which is then glycosylated by a broad spectrum *N*-glycosyltransferase, PtmJ (Chapter 2). This is the first example of glycosylation of an ACP-bound polyketide intermediate in natural product biosynthesis. Additionally, we demonstrate that PtmO is a hydrolase that is responsible for the release of the glycosylated β -ketoacid product from the ACP, and the free β -ketoacid product subsequently undergoes non-enzymatic decarboxylation.

In addition to the β-ketoacyl-ACP synthase gene *ptmK*, the pactamycin biosynthetic gene cluster also contains a gene (*ptmR*) that encodes a β-ketoacyl-acyl carrier protein (β-ketoacyl-ACP) synthase (KAS) III. KAS III catalyzes the first step in fatty acid biosynthesis, involving a Claisen condensation of the acetyl-CoA starter unit with the first extender unit, malonyl-ACP, to form acetoacetyl-ACP. KAS III-like proteins have also been reported to catalyze acyltransferase reactions using coenzyme A esters or discrete ACP-bound substrates. Through in vivo and in vitro characterizations of the KAS III-like protein PtmR, we discovered that this enzyme directly transfers a 6-methylsalicylyl moiety from an iterative type I polyketide synthase (PtmQ) to the aminocyclopentitol unit in pactamycin biosynthesis (Chapter 3). PtmR is highly promiscuous, recognizing a wide array of *S*-acyl-*N*-acetylcysteamines as substrates to produce a suite of pactamycin derivatives with diverse alkyl and aromatic features. The results suggest that KAS III-like proteins may be used as versatile tools for modifications of complex natural products for drug discovery.

The pronounced biological activity displayed by pactamycin spans across all three phylogenetic domains. Unfortunately the indiscriminate cytotoxicity of pactamycin towards mammalian cells has suppressed its development toward therapeutic application. Nevertheless, we believe pactamycin is a wellspring of promising biological activity that is waiting to be harnessed. Our previous work demonstrated, through biosynthetic manipulations, production of new pactamycin analogs with pronounced antimalarial activity, lacking significant antibacterial activity, and are about 10–30 times less toxic than pactamycin toward mammalian cells. Furthermore, we have developed a chemoenzymatic process using the promiscuous KAS III-like protein PtmR to produce new pactamycin analogs.

Continuing our efforts to draw further on the bountiful activity of the aminocyclitol core of pactamycin, we have taken a third approach by synthesizing the core aminocyclopentitol ring which could open up a diverse library of biologically active compounds. In Chapter 4, we describe an efficient, modular, and asymmetric synthesis of several aminocyclopentitol compounds resembling the pactamycin pharmacophore believed responsible for its biological activity. The outlined synthesis work has generated four promising biologically active compounds, two of which display modest activity against Gram-positive bacteria, whereas the other two compounds exhibit potent anticancer activity against A375 melanoma cells. ©Copyright by Corey Brumsted November 14, 2017 All Rights Reserved

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Chapter 1. Introduction

1.1 Natural Products

All organisms utilize a vast network of processes known as primary metabolism to interconvert organic compounds into energy and to support other essential life functions. Secondary metabolism comprises the processes responsible for the synthesis of chemical compounds within an organism that are generally non-essential to the dayto-day survival of the organism, though these compounds can offer distinct evolutionary advantages to the organism. The building blocks for secondary metabolites, or natural products, come from primary metabolism, which therefore provides the templates for these structurally diverse compounds. As such, the chemical structures produced vary significantly from organism to organism, and the actual function of the compound and/or its relationship to the organism is often unknown or poorly understood.¹ Natural products are sometimes utilized by the producing organism or sequestered from dietary sources and used as a defense tool against predators, such as the case of the potent sodium ion channel disrupter batrachotoxin from the dendrobatidae family of poison dart frogs.^{2,3} Additionally, natural products may provide protection from other environmental hazards like ultraviolet radiation as is likely the case for the natural sunscreen compounds gadusol and the related mycosporin-like amino acids found in marine animals.⁴ Some organisms utilize natural products to attract their mates. For instance, the American Cockroach produces the secondary metabolite, periplanone B, as a sex attractant.^{5,6,7,8} Male Cardinal birds (*Cardinalis cardinalis*) use the red pigment canthaxanthin (Figure 1.1), one of the many highly colored carotenoids, in their plumage

to attract females for mating.⁹ Since evolution has favored functional roles for secondary metabolites in nature, they are predisposed to be biologically active compounds, and as such they have historically occupied a considerable role in modern medicine.

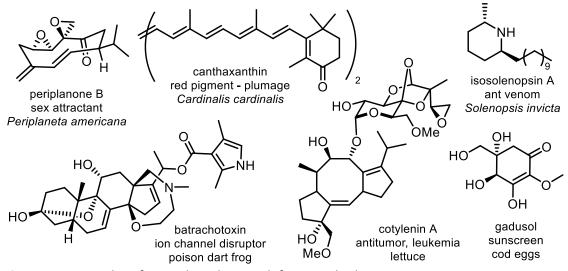


Figure 1.1. Examples of natural products with functional roles in nature

1.2 The Importance of Natural Products

Natural products have been the lifeblood of drug discovery for decades and their role is especially prominent in the areas of infectious disease and cancer chemotherapy. These compounds have served as the structural scaffolds that medicinal chemistry has exploited for the development of new pharmaceutical therapies over the years. In fact a large portion of drugs to date are either unaltered natural products themselves or inspired by natural product motifs.^{10,11,12,13} Additionally they have been the inspiration that has driven advancements in other fields, especially synthetic organic chemistry.

The isolation of the secondary metabolite morphine from the opium poppy Papaver somniferum over 200 years ago, initiated the modern era of drug discovery. Despite the current disturbing state of the opioid epidemic, morphine and its analogs have saved countless lives in relieving acute and chronic pain from surgery, lifethreatening injuries, car accidents, cancer, etc. It is inconceivable in modern times to undergo major surgery without morphine or it's analogs.^{14,15} The cinchona alkaloid quinine, isolated in 1820, was one of the only effective treatments for malaria following World War II and continues to remain on the World Health Organization's "List of Essential Medicines that satisfy the priority healthcare needs of the population of a country".¹⁶ Prior to the age of antibiotics initiated by Alexander Fleming's discovery of the beta-lactam natural product penicillin, people were literally dying in hospitals from cuts and scratches. The introduction of penicillin not only revolutionized drug discovery but revolutionized human existence on this planet, saving an immeasurable amount of lives.¹⁷ In fact, life expectancy around the world has nearly *doubled* from 40 years, in the 20th century, to 77 years now.¹⁰ Until the 1990s, roughly 80% of all drugs were natural products or natural product inspired compounds. Although, the percentage of natural product drugs or natural product inspired derivatives dropped between 1990 and 2000, this is largely credited to the pharmaceutical industry's overestimation of, and consequently over-reliance on combinatorial approaches to bringing new non-natural product derived drugs to market. Despite this heavy investment in combinatorial approaches, as of 2014, only three de novo combinatorial sourced drugs (sorafenib,

atuluren and vemurafenib) were approved.^{6,18,19} The overall trend, as noted in numerous detailed reviews, suggests that natural products will remain at the forefront of drug discovery for the foreseeable future.⁶⁻¹⁰ Moreover, the importance of natural products and their vital role in modern medicine was recently underscored in awarding the 2015 Nobel Prize in Physiology and Medicine for the discovery of two classes of natural products, the avermectins and separately artemisinin. The avermectins have nearly eradicated river blindness and elephantitis, two parasitic scourges that plagued some of the poorest countries in the world, while the discovery of artemisinin is credited with the sweeping reduction in malaria patient mortality rates.^{20,21} The meaningful impact of natural products on human health and society is great and the importance is fundamental.

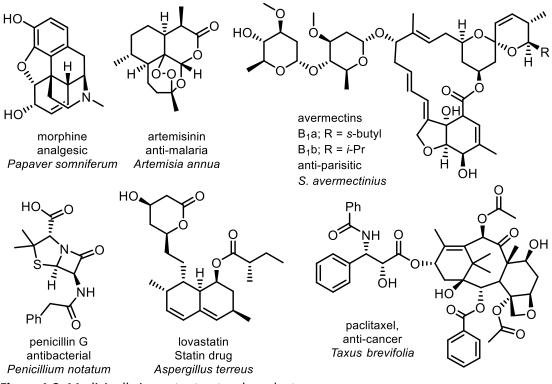


Figure 1.2. Medicinally important natural products

1.3 Classes of Natural Products

Natural products can be loosely categorized by characteristic biosynthetic machinery and/or intermediates. Some important natural products classified generally by their biosynthesis are isoprenoids, alkaloids, ribosomal and non-ribosomal peptides, polyketides, and aminocyclitols. There is however much overlap as secondary metabolites are often the result of a biosynthetic intermediate(s) entering multiple pathways.

1.3.1 Isoprenoids

Isoprenoids, also known as terpenoids, are found in all organisms and make up a structurally diverse collection of natural products. Some notable examples of terpenoid natural products include the anticancer drugs paclitaxel and ingenol, as well as the important terpenoids cholesterol, vitamin A, and menthol. Terpenoids consist of iterations of 5-carbon building blocks of isoprene units formed from the condensation of isopentenyl diphosphate (IPP) or its isomer, dimethylallyl diphosphate (DMAPP). The condensation products often re-arrange and cyclize through carbocation rearrangements, resulting in the tremendous structural diversity of isoprenoids. Terpenoids are categorized by the number of C_5 subunits that they are made of: monoterpenes (C_{10}) consist of two C_5 units, sesquiterpenes (C_{15}) contain three C_5 units, diterpenes (C_{20}) contain four C_5 units, sesterterpenes (C_{25}) contain five C_5 units, triterpenes (C_{30}) contain six C_5 units and tetraterpenes (C₄₀) eight C₅ units. Both monomers, IPP and DMAPP, are products of the mevalonate pathway (MVA) found in mammals, plants, bacteria and fungi or the methylerythritol phosphate pathway (MEP), which is not found in mammals but present in many pathogenic bacteria, plants, and malaria parasites.^{22,23}

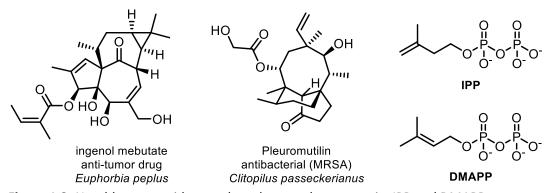


Figure 1.3. Notable terpenoid natural products and starter units IPP and DMAPP

1.3.2 Alkaloids

Alkaloids are organic amines, containing at least one nitrogen and often multiple. They have historically been found in plants and are biosynthetically derived from amino acids. The alkaloid carbon skeleton can be formed or acquired through other secondary metabolic processes while one or more of the incorporated nitrogen atoms comes from one or multiple amino acids.¹ For example, the steroidal backbone of cyclopamine (Figure 1.4) is biosynthesized through the typical terpene pathway via a series of head-totail combinations of DMAPP and IPP units forming the intermediate cholesterol, which gets oxidized, followed by a transamination from gamma-aminobutyric acid, then cyclization to the final compound.²⁴ The majority of alkaloids come from a small number of amino acid building blocks. Nitrogen incorporation can occur through many different processes but imine formation/transamination and Mannich reactions are used frequently in the biosynthesis of alkaloids.¹

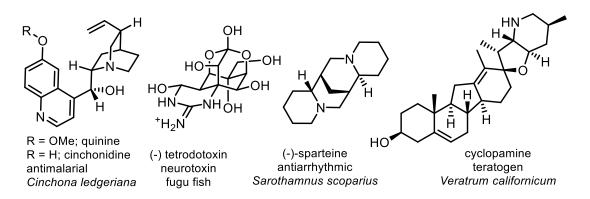


Figure 1.4. Examples of some alkaloids of interest

1.3.3 Ribosomal and Non-ribosomal Peptides

While peptides hold tremendous potential for therapeutic applications, a major obstacle is that oral administration is often not feasible due to inactivation or degradation of the peptide by enzymes in the GI tract, thereby requiring injection. Developments in drug delivery, however, hold some promise to overcoming this hurdle. The opioid peptide, β -endorphin, is a ribosomal peptide produced in the pituitary gland, and is several times more potent than morphine at pain relief, though addiction and withdrawal symptoms are still an issue. Pyrroloquinoline quinone (Figure 1.5) is a biologically important antioxidant and ribosomal peptide found in soil, human breast milk, plants and interstellar dust.^{1,25,26,27} The prenylated small molecule and ribosomal peptide, ComX, is an extra-cellular signaling molecule isolated from *B. subtilus*.^{28,29}

Ribosomal peptides constitute proteins and polypeptides synthesized on the ribosome. The biosynthesis of ribosomal peptides occurs using genes of DNA that encode the construction of a precursor peptide. After the precursor peptide is synthesized, it is hydrolytically cleaved followed by post translational modifications that allow the formation of peptides that are not encoded by DNA.¹

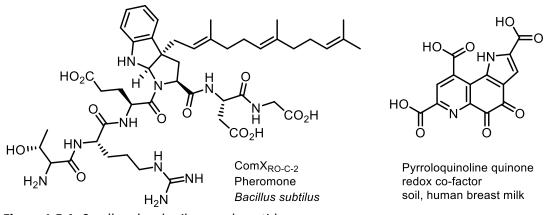


Figure 1.5 A. Small molecule ribosomal peptides

Non-ribosomal peptides are comprised of proteinogenic and non-proteinogenic peptides and typically biosynthesized by an array of modular enzymes known as non-ribosomal peptide synthase enzymes (NRPS). A starter unit amino acid is loaded, and the peptidyl backbone is built up iteratively in an assembly line like, building-block fashion, then hydrolyzed or cyclized by a terminal thioesterase to form either linear or macrocyclic peptides. Though this description is overly simplistic, the assembly line logic can be used to predict the structure of non-ribosomal peptides from a biosynthetic gene cluster with a high degree of accuracy. Some medicinally significant natural products from NRPS's include the beta-lactam antibiotics like penicillin G, the cephalosporins, and no-cardicin A, the macrocyclic peptides including the arylomycins (Figure 1.5) and the important anticancer agents vinblastine and vincristine.^{1,30,31,32,33,34}

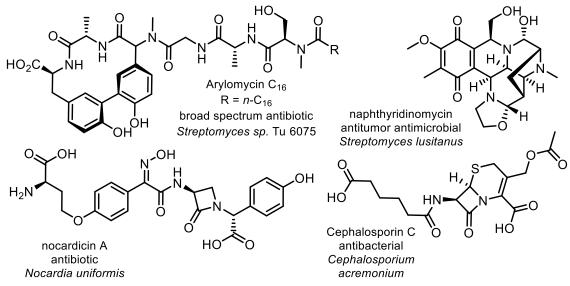
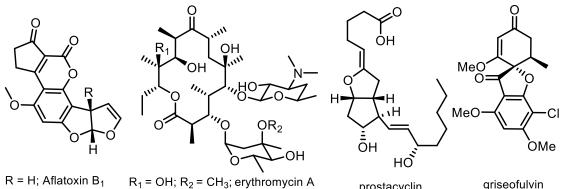


Figure 1.5 B. Structures of some important natural products from NRPSs

1.3.4 Polyketides

Polyketides and fatty acids derive from the acetate pathway and encompass an enormous array of natural products, many of which are biologically active and medicinally useful compounds. For instance, the prostaglandins are modified fatty acids that are distributed throughout different tissues of humans and animals in minute concentrations as chemical messengers and effect different functions of the body.¹ As such the prostaglandins have considerable potential as therapeutics like the prostaglandin prostacyclin, which is used for pulmonary hypertension (Figure 1.6). Other important polyketides include the erythromycin antibiotics or the carcinogenic fungal toxins, the aflatoxins, which are a serious contaminant commonly found in apples and peanuts. Additionally the statins and previously mentioned avermectins (Figure 1.2) are considerably noteworthy pharmaceutically relevant polyketides.^{14, 15} Polyketides are derived biosynthetically from starter units of acetyl/propionyl/benzoyl thioester (CoA) building blocks and extended through a series of Claisen condensation reactions with substituted or unsubstituted malonyl thioesters (CoAs) similar to fatty acids. These building blocks are loaded by an acyl transferase (AT) onto an acyl carrier protein (ACP) or to a beta keto-acyl synthase (KS) which catalyzes the decarboxylative condensation between the malonate thioester and the acetyl group in the chain elongation step.^{35,36}



 $R = OH; Aflatoxin B_1$ carcinogenic toxins *Aspergillus flavus*

 $R_1 = OH; R_2 = CH_3;$ erythromycin A $R_1 = H; R_2 = CH_3;$ erythromycin B antibacterial (mainly against gram +) *Streptomyces erythreus*

prostacyclin pulmonary hypertension endothelial cells

griseofulvin antifungal *P. griseofulvum*

Figure 1.6. Examples of some important polyketides

1.3.5 Aminocyclitols

Aminocyclitols are a subclass of cyclitols, 5 or 6-membered polyhydroxylated carbon rings or carbasugars, containing an amine functionality and are generally microbial in origin. Aminocyclopentitols, the 5-membered ring variants of aminocyclitols, are a small but important class of pharmaceutically active natural products.^{37,38} Some relevant natural or nature inspired aminocyclopentitols include the antiviral carbocyclic nu-

cleosides such as neplanocin A and Baraclude[®], the neuramidase inhibitor and influenza drug Rapivab[®], the anticancer and antidiabetic glycosidase inhibitors trehazolin and mannostatins, as well as the interleukin-1 receptor associated kinase 4 (IRAK4) inhibitors that can be used to treat chronic inflammatory diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis and inflammatory bowel disease (Figure 1.7).^{39,40,41} Some aminocyclitols are also active insecticides and fungicides with agricultural applications. Pactamycin (**1**, Figure 1.7) is an antitumor antibiotic aminocyclopentitol with pronounced cytotoxicity that spans across all three phylogenetic domains.^{42,43,44}

Biosynthetically, aminocyclitols are made from simple carbohydrates via sugar phosphate cyclase enzymes, with the exception of aminocyclopentitols. The 5membered ring formation of aminocyclopentitols is less understood, but cyclization is expected to occur through radical SAM mediated processes on amino-sugar derived substrates as evident by the biosynthetic genes encoding their involvement.^{45,46,47,48,49} However, direct evidence of such processes has yet to be fully elucidated.

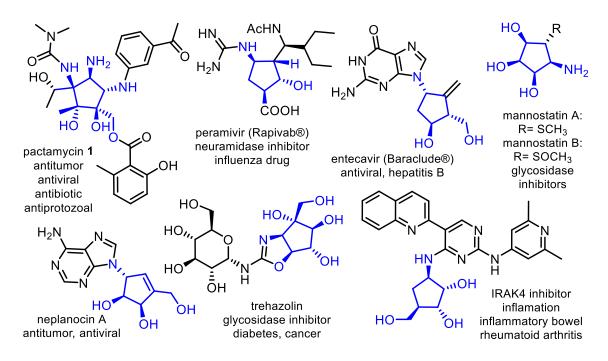


Figure 1.7 Bioactive aminocyclopentitol (blue) units and clinically used drugs

1.4 Pactamycin

1.4.1 Background

Pactamycin (1) is an aminocyclopentitol natural product that was first isolated from the culture broth of *Streptomyces pactum* in the 1960's at the former Upjohn Chemical Company.³¹ In the ensuing time since its discovery, pactamycin attracted the attention of generations of biologists and chemists alike due to its rich bioactivity profile and complex chemical structure. Nearly a decade after its discovery, a remarkable structure elucidation study of pactamycin involving chemical degradation and spectroscopic data resulted in a proposed structure in 1970, which was corrected in 1972 by X-ray crystallography.^{50,51,52}

Pactamycin was first reported as a potential antitumor antimicrobial therapeutic displaying significant cytotoxicity *in vitro* and *in vivo* activity but development has been hampered due to its indiscriminate toxicity towards mammalian cells and its structural complexity.³¹ It was later found to strongly inhibit protein synthesis by binding to the

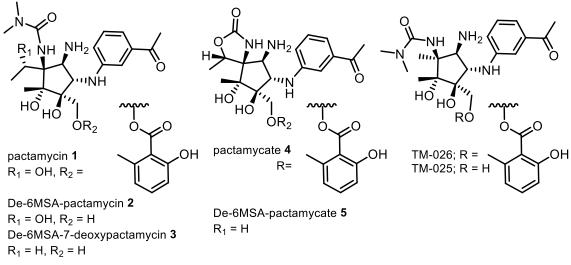


Figure 1.8. Pactamycin and some biosynthetically derived bioactive analogs

30S ribosomal subunit of most organisms.^{53,54} Hanessian recently demonstrated that the pactamycin derivative, de-6-MSA-pactamycin shares the same ribosomal binding site as pactamycin, using x-ray crystallography.⁵⁵ Interestingly, de-6-MSA-pactamycin and derivatives of de-6-MSA-pactamycin however do *not* share the same universal cytotoxicity profile as pactamycin, and in fact display diminished toxicity towards mammalian cells and selectivity over pactamycin towards malaria parasites.^{56,57} This suggests that an interaction of the 6-MSA portion of pactamycin within the binding site is at least in part responsible for its broad toxicity. This could be tremendously useful in designing biologically active de-6-MSA-pactamycin analogs and selectively curtailing the non-specific tox-

icity displayed by pactamycin itself. However, based on work from the Mahmud lab, other structural features also appear to play a significant role in moderating the cytotoxicity and selectivity of pactamycin analogs, such as the 2°-hydroxyethyl side chain or lack thereof in pactamycin or derivative TM-026 (Figure 1.8).⁵⁸ For instance, TM-026 has the 6-MSA moiety intact yet retains none or reduced antibacterial activity and lacks the broad cytotoxicity of pactamycin.⁴⁴ To address the structure activity relationships (SARs) involved in the toxicity associated with pactamycin as well as to prepare new bioactive analogs, several research groups have undertaken different approaches toward this end.^{44,59,60,61,62,63,64}

1.4.2 Total Syntheses of Pactamycin

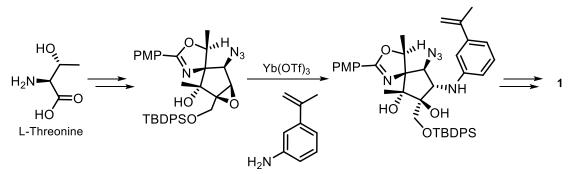


Figure 1.9. Summary of the Hanessian synthesis of 1

The challenging aminocyclopentitol core of pactamycin (**1**) has been the target of numerous synthetic attempts towards pactamycin over the years.^{65,66,67,68,69,70,71} In 2011, Hanessian reported the first total synthesis of pactamycin, providing remarkable closure to a longstanding synthetic challenge. ^{72,73} Utilizing L-threonine as a strategic synthetic

chiron containing carbons C1, C2, C7 and C8, as well as the hydroxyethyl sidechain and the C1 nitrogen, they obtained pactamycin in 29-steps and 3% yield, despite a number of unforeseen and taxing setbacks (Figure 1.9).⁶² They reached the cyclopentane ring through a series of well documented transformations. They performed a number of functional group transformations and stereochemical inversions providing their key intermediate epoxide in 21-steps (Figure 1.9). A stereoselective epoxide ring opening appended the aniline portion to the aminocyclopentitol ring which completed the entire carbon skeleton of pactamycin. After a number of challenging functional group interconversions on the highly substituted aminocyclopentitol ring which presented further inopportune setbacks, they delivered both pactamycin and separately pactamycate. Notably, the 1st total synthesis of pactamycin was reported 50 - years after its discovery, which speaks volumes to the structural complexity of this molecule.

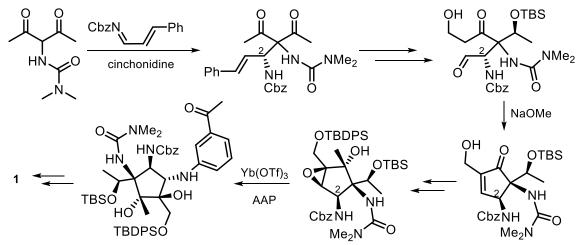


Figure 1.10. Summary of the Johnson synthesis of pactamycin (1)

In 2013, Johnson reported their own total synthesis of pactamycin, enantioselectively from acetyl acetone in an astonishing 15 steps (1.9% overall yield). ^{74,75} Johnson's

strategy relied on setting the C2 stereocenter early, albeit with incorrect stereochemical configuration which turned out beneficial as it aided diastereoselection later on and was easily epimerized to the correct one. An asymmetric Mannich addition of a urea malonate nucleophile onto the Cbz-protected cinnamaldehyde imine (Figure 1.10) appended the remaining carbons for the aminocyclitol ring and set the (incorrect) C2 stereocenter. Utilizing the urea early in the synthesis obviated some of the issues faced by Hanessian when installing the urea on the condensed aminocyclopentitol ring later on. A desymmetrizing reduction set the hydroxyethyl stereocenter on the sidechain, and later corrected their C2 stereocenter in a base mediated epimerizing intramolecular aldol condensation forming the cyclopentenone ring. Several functional group transformations brought them to an epoxide similar to Hanessian's late stage intermediate, similarity that was then exploited in a familiar asymmetric epoxide ring opening, this time however with unprotected 3AAP which formed the entire pactamycin skeleton. Following deprotection and appendage of the 6-MSA moiety, Johnson's expeditious total synthesis of pactamycin was complete. Both Hanessian and Johnson have since prepared a number of novel and biologically active pactamycin derivatives with improved therapeutic application.

1.4.3 Analogs of Pactamycin

As previously mentioned, one of the major hurtles in developing therapeutic applications for pactamycin is its structural complexity. While the Hanessian group and separately the Johnson group significantly advanced the challenge utilizing a traditional tactic, by first obtaining pactamycin by total synthesis, then preparing derivatives from the final product and synthetic intermediates; the Mahmud group has employed a multi-pronged, and somewhat less conventional strategy in obtaining novel pactamycin derivatives. ^{45-47, 49, 51-53, 61-64}

The approaches taken by the Mahmud group rely on biosynthetic manipulations as well as chemoenzymatic and synthetic approaches. Accordingly, by utilizing this multi-faceted strategy, the Mahmud group has produced numerous highly potent biologically active pactamycin derivatives. Through biosynthetic manipulations, the Mahmud group has demonstrated the production of new pactamycin analogs with pronounced antimalarial activity, lacking significant antibacterial activity, which are about 10–30 times less toxic than pactamycin toward mammalian cells (Figure 1.8). Additionally pactamycin derivatives TM-101 and TM-102 displayed nanomolar activity against P. falciparum, no antibacterial activity and reduced cancer cytotoxicity versus pactamycin, resulting in an improved selectivity index.⁵² Furthermore, we recently discovered that an acyltransferase (PtmR), used by S. pactum in the biosynthesis of pactamycin is capable of accepting a variety of substrates and developed a chemoenzymatic process to produce novel pactamycin analogs.⁵³ Continuing our efforts to draw further on the bountiful activity of the aminocyclitol core of pactamycin, we have taken a third approach by synthesizing the core aminocyclopentitol ring believed responsible for much of pactamycin's bioactivity. This synthesis work has since generated four new biologically active aminocyclitols, two of which display modest inhibitory activity against Gram-positive bacteria. Importantly, these synthesis efforts have also produced two novel and promising aminocyclopentitols, both of which display potent activity against melanoma (A375 cells), on par with pactamycin derivative TM-026.

1.4.4 Pactamycin biosynthesis

In *S. pactum*, pactamycin is derived from three major metabolic pathways: 1) the shikimate pathway delivers dehydroshikimic acid (DHS), the precursor of the 3-aminobenzoic acid that leads to the 3-aminoacetophenone moiety; 2) the amino sugar metabolic pathway supplies the precursor for the aminocyclopentitol moiety; and 3) the acetate pathway produces 6-methylsalicylic acid by iterative type I polyketide synthase. Early feeding studies by Rinehart and Weller using isotopically labeled precursors had established glucose, methionine and acetate as critical starting units in pactamycin bio

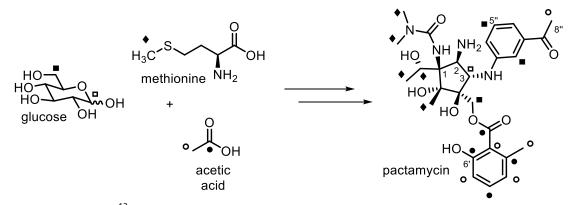


Figure 1.11. Early ¹³C-labeling experiments detailing the biosynthetic origin of pactamycin

synthesis (Figure 1.11).^{76,77} This pioneering work demonstrated that both the *N*- and *C*-

methyl groups on the *N*, *N*-dimethyl urea and on the aminocyclitol ring come from methionine (presumably via SAM-dependent methylations) and remarkably, the hydroxymethine carbon and the methyl group attached are formed via two-iterative *C*methylations. Additionally this established the origin of the 6-MSA portion of the molecule as coming from a polyketide pathway. Furthermore, the carbons C-5" and C-3" of the aminoacetophenone (AAP) moiety came from C-6 of glucose. The 3AAP unit is derived from 3-aminobenzoic acid, a shunt product of dehydroshikimic acid (DHS). Several years later, Rinehart and coworkers again employed feeding experiments, this time using ¹³C-labeled 3-aminobenzoic acid, demonstrated that ABA is in fact a direct precursor while the C-8" methyl of the AAP moiety is derived from acetate which sug

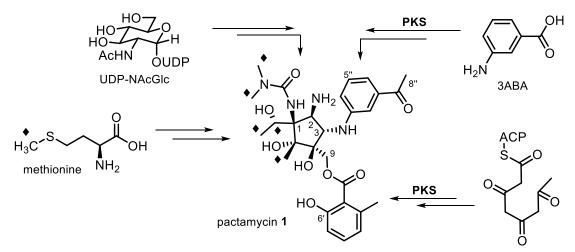


Figure 1.12. Pactamycin biosynthesis pathways

gests a polyketide origin.⁷⁸ Decades later, after discovery of the biosynthetic gene cluster responsible for the production of pactamycin, more detailed knowledge of the biosynthesis has started to emerge.^{79,80} Conversion of DHS to 3ABA was shown to be catalyzed by PtmT (or PctV), a unique PLP-dependent aminotransferase-aromatase enzyme.^{81,82} Further, Kudo has shown that a glycosyltransferase, PctL (or PtmJ), is able to catalyze, although at a low rate, the coupling between 3-aminoacetophenone and UDP-*N*-acetyl-α-D-glucosamine; this reaction was proposed to occur prior to formation of the cyclopentane ring. The mode of formation of the cyclopentitol ring in pactamycin is not yet determined. However, the early incorporation studies by Rinehart indicated that this portion of the molecule is derived from glucose, presumably via *N*-acetylglucosamine (GlcNAc). Analysis of the biosynthetic gene cluster reveals that a radical SAM enzyme (PtmC) is likely responsible for the ring formation, however, there is no direct evidence of such a process to date. Interestingly, radical carbocyclizations forming 5-membered

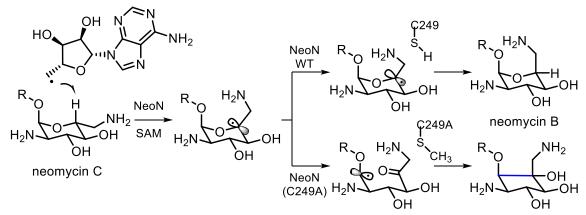


Figure 1.13. Radical SAM mediated carbocyclization of an aminosugar

rings using synthetic iron-sulfur clusters similar to those found in radical SAM enzymes were demonstrated in the late 1970s.^{83,84,85} Although not until recently has such a transformation been demonstrated enzymatically. A recently disclosed result from the Kudo lab revealed that a point mutant (but not the wild-type) of the radical SAM epimerase

from neomycin B biosynthesis, NeoN (C249), mediates the direct conversion of an aminopyranoside in neomycin C to an aminocyclopentitol (Figure 1.13).⁸⁶ The putative radical SAM-mediated carbocyclization (by PtmC) in pactamycin biosynthesis in addition to the radical SAM point mutant NeoN (C249A) mediated cyclization motivated our bioinspired radical cyclization approach to the synthesis of a pactamycin inspired aminocyclopentitol. In addition to the 5-membered ring formation in pactamycin biosynthesis, a number of transformations are unknown. Specifically, the timing, conversion and glycosylation of 3AAP prior to cyclization of the aminosugar is yet to be determined. Some of the tailoring steps that are used to decorate the aminocyclopentitol ring, such as Cmethylation of C-7 (by PtmH) and *N*-methylation of the urea (by ptmD) have been elucidated. Others processes such as carbamoylation of the primary amine at C-1 to form the urea, C-methylation of the ring, hydroxylation, deacetylation, hydrolysis and appendage of the 6-MSA unit to the C-9 primary alcohol have yet to be determined.^{52,53,68,69}

1.4.5 Research Objectives

To decipher the biosynthetic pathway to pactamycin in *S. pactum* and to produce new analogs of pactamycin, we pursued the following research objectives:

1. Elucidate details and timing of the formation of the 3AAP moiety in the biosynthesis of pactamycin in relation to glycosylation of ABA and formation of the aminocyclopentitol ring using chemical complementation and isotopic labeling experiments.

2. Synthesize [¹³C]GlcNAc-[¹³C]3ABA and appropriate *N*-acetylcysteamine (NAC) thioester as mimics of the acyl-carrier protein-bound substrates for chemical complementation studies.

3. Synthesize 6-MSA-SNAC to determine whether PtmR is responsible for attaching the 6-MSA unit to pactamycin and prepare other NAC compounds to exploit the relaxed substrate specificity of PtmR to obtain novel pactamycin derivatives.

4. Synthesize aminocyclopentitol compounds as potential surrogates for the pactamycin pharmacophore, and test their antibacterial and anticancer activities.

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Chapter 2. Formation of 3-Aminoacetophenone Moiety and Evidence for Glycosylation of An Acyl Carrier Protein-bound Polyketide Intermediate in Pactamycin Biosynthesis Since its discovery more than 50 years ago, pactamycin (**1**) has attracted considerable attention from chemists and biologists alike due to its unique chemical structure and potent biological activity. Its chemical structure consists of a highly decorated cyclopentitol core unit, a 3-aminoacetophenone (3AAP), a 6-methylsalicylic acid (6-MSA), and a *N*,*N*-dimethylurea (Figure 2.1). It has been proposed that the core cyclopentitol unit is derived from glucose (Glc) or *N*-acetylglucosamine (GlcNAc).¹ The 3AAP moiety is derived from 3-aminobenzoic acid (3ABA), a shunt product of dehydroshikimic acid (DHS). Conversion of DHS to 3ABA is catalyzed by PtmT (or PctV), a unique PLP-dependent aminotransferase-aromatase enzyme.²⁻⁴ The 6-MSA moiety is produced by the iterative type

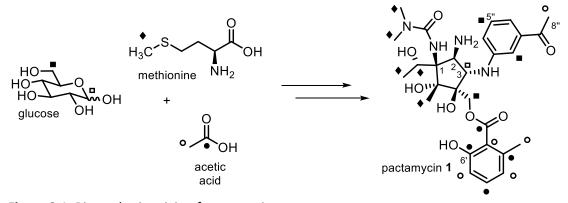


Figure 2.1. Biosynthetic origin of pactamycin

polyketide synthase PtmQ (PctS).⁵ A number of tailoring processes, e.g., amination, carbamoylation (urea formation), *C*- and *N*-methylations, and hydroxylation, are involved in the pathway prior to the attachment of the 6-MSA unit by PtmR in the last step, resulting in a highly decorated aminocyclopentitol unit that is rich in stereocenters (Figure 2.1) Although direct involvement of 3ABA in pactamycin biosynthesis had been established,^{2,3} the process underlying its conversion to the 3AAP moiety was not well understood. On the basis of the putative functions of genes within the pactamycin cluster, two plausible pathways have been proposed for the formation of the 3AAP moiety. The first one involves the putative AMP-forming acyl-CoA synthetase PtmS (PctU), which may convert 3ABA to 3ABA-AMP, followed by coupling between 3ABA-AMP and acetyl-CoA to give β -ketoacyl CoA ester.⁶ Hydrolysis of the β -ketoacyl-CoA by the putative hydrolase PtmO (PctQ) followed by a decarboxylation reaction would give 3AAP (Figure 2.2, path A).⁶

The other pathway involves PtmS and discrete polyketide enzymes, PtmI (PctK) (an acyl carrier protein, ACP), and PtmK (PctM) (a β-ketoacyl-ACP synthase, KAS) (Figure 2.2, path B).⁵ PtmK is similar to KAS I/II, which is responsible for the elongation steps in fatty acid biosynthesis.^{7,8} In this scenario, PtmS is proposed to activate 3ABA and load it to the ACP PtmI (PctK), whereas PtmK is proposed to catalyze condensation between 3ABA-ACP and malonyl-ACP. PtmO is proposed to act as a hydrolase, which cleaves the PKS product from the ACP (PtmI), or as an acyltransferase, which is involved in the load-ing of malonyl-CoA to the ACP. However, no experimental evidence is available to support any of these pathways or to determine the mode of formation of the 3AAP moiety. The mode of formation of the cyclopentitol unit in pactamycin is also unknown. Through incorporation studies using isotopically labeled precursors, Rinehart and co-workers have shown that this portion of the molecule is derived from glucose, presumably via *N*-

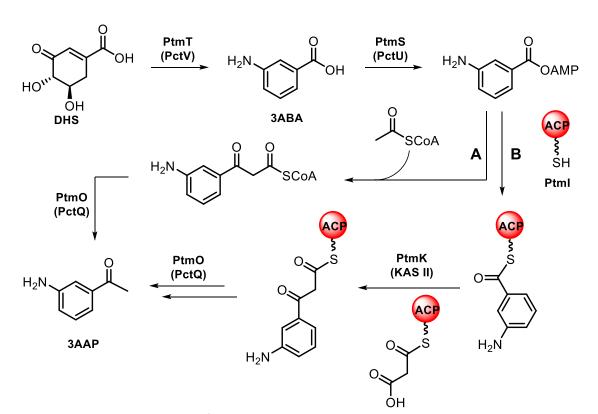


Figure 2.2. Proposed pathways from 3ABA to 3AAP

acetylglucosamine

tion of the pactamycin biosynthetic gene clusters in *Streptomyces pactum*, it was proposed that a radical SAM-dependent enzyme (PtmC or PctE), a putative glycosyltransferase (PtmJ or PctL), and a putative deacetylase (PtmG or PctI) are involved in the formation of the cyclopentitol core, and that this process is similar to the formation of the mitosane core structure during mitomycin biosynthesis.^{5,6,9} In mitomycin biosynthesis, however, D-glucosamine (or its derivative) is assembled into the mitosane unit through condensation with 3-amino-5-hydroxybenzoic acid (AHBA). Although details for this reaction are not available, it was proposed that a PtmJ (PctL) homologue, MitB, mediates

(GlcNAc). More recently, following the identifica-

the condensation reaction, followed by an unknown mechanism to complete the C-C bond formation.¹⁰ In fact, the glycosyltransferase PtmJ (PctL) from *S. pactum* has been shown to catalyze a coupling reaction between UDP-*N*-acetyl-α-D-glucosamine and 3AAP.⁶ The product would then need to undergo deacetylation, possibly by the *N*-deacetylase homologue PtmG (PctI) followed by radical-mediated rearrangement by PtmC (PctE) to form the cyclopentitol ring structure. Inactivation of the *ptmC* and *ptmJ* genes indeed abolished the production of pactamycin.⁵

Despite the ability of PtmJ (PctL) to glycosylate 3AAP, our incorporation studies showed that 3AAP is not able to rescue the production of pactamycin in the *ΔptmT* mutant strain of *S. pactum*, which lacks the ability to produce 3ABA,² suggesting that 3AAP is not an intermediate in the pactamycin pathway (data not shown).³ These results prompted us to investigate the mode of formation of the 3AAP unit in pactamycin biosynthesis and the timing of the glycosylation reaction catalyzed by PtmJ. In the present study, we used genetic, chemical complementation, and biochemical approaches to interrogate the formation of the 3AAP unit of pactamycin and the timing of the glycosylation reaction. The results revealed the involvement of discrete polyketide synthase proteins in the formation of the 3AAP unit and an unprecedented glycosylation of an ACPbound polyketide intermediate.

RESULTS:

Involvement of the discrete polyketide synthase proteins in 3AAP formation.

During our recent study on the tailoring processes in pactamycin biosynthesis, we discovered that ptmS (PctU), ptmI (PctK), ptmK (PctM), and ptmO (PctQ) are not involved in the transfer of 6-MSA to the aminocyclopentitol unit, but they seem to play a critical role in the early steps of the pathway.¹¹ To confirm that result and to explore the role of these genes in pactamycin biosynthesis, in this study we inactivated the ptml, ptmK, or ptmO genes in *AptmH* mutant strain, which produces pactamycin analogues, TM-025 and TM-026 (Figure S1). The $\Delta ptmH$ mutant was used because the products are chemically more stable and produced in higher yields than pactamycin. The mutants were constructed by in-frame deletion strategy, except for $\Delta ptmH/ptmK::aac(3)IV$, which was generated using a gene disruption method, as attempts to obtain in-frame deletion mutants of ptmK were unsuccessful. The resulting $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmI$, $\Delta ptmH/ptmK::aac(3)IV$, and $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmO$ mutants were cultured and the products were analyzed by ESI-MS. As expected, the results showed that inactivation of ptmI, ptmK, or ptmO in the $\Delta ptmH$ mutant entirely abolished the production of TM-025/TM-026 (Figure S2a-c). In addition, the mutants did not give any detectable intermediates, which based on our observation with other S. pactum mutants, indicates that the gene products are involved early in the pathway.^{5,12} Chemical incorporation experiments with 3-ABA in these mutants did not give any products, consistent with the notion that these discrete polyketide synthase enzymes play a role in the conversion of 3ABA to the 3AAP moiety.

Synthesis and evaluation of N-acetylcysteamine (NAC) thioesters of 3ABA and 3-[3-aminophenyl]3-oxopropionate (3AP-3OP).

Based on the above results, we hypothesized that 3ABA is activated by PtmS and loaded onto the acyl carrier protein PtmI. Claisen condensation between 3ABA-ACP and malonyl-ACP catalyzed by PtmK would give 3-[3-aminophenyl]3-oxopropionyl-ACP. To test this hypothesis, we synthesized *N*-acetylcysteamine (NAC) thioesters of 3ABA and 3-[3-

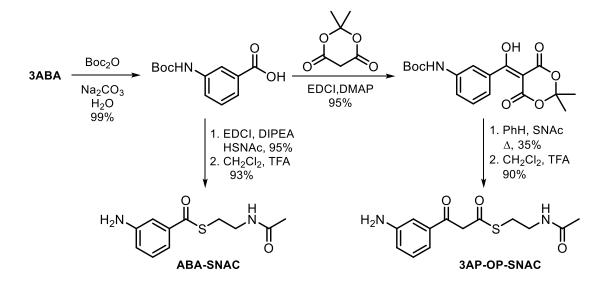


Figure 2.3. Synthesis of ABA-SNAC and 3AP-OP-SNAC

aminophenyl]3-oxopropionate (3AP-3OP), which mimics the β-ketoacyl-ACP. 3ABA-SNAC was synthesized from Boc-protected 3ABA and NAC in the presence of 1-ethyl-3-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)carbodiimide (EDCI) and 4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP) followed by Boc removal using trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) (Figure 2.3). 3AP-3OP-SNAC was also synthesized from Boc-protected 3ABA employing a dehydrative coupling reaction with Meldrum's acid (Figure 2.3). Thermal decarboxylation and *in situ* trapping of the

resulting β -ketoketene with NAC, followed by Boc removal, provided 3AP-3OP-SNAC. The compound was added to the cultures of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$ mutant,² which is unable to produce 3ABA, and the products were analyzed by ESI-MS and MS/MS. The results showed the recovery of TM-025/TM-026 production by the mutant (Figure S3), providing strong evidence for the involvement of 3ABA-ACP and 3-[3-aminophenyl]3oxopropionyl-ACP (3AP-3OP-ACP) in the pactamycin pathway.

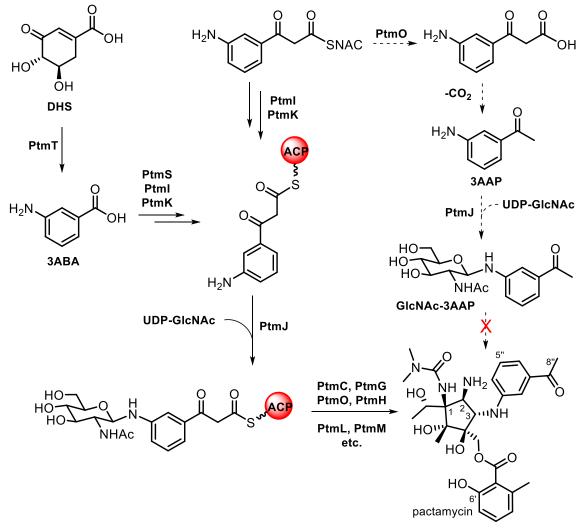


Figure 2.4. Proposed pathway to pactamycin

3AP-3OP-SNAC was also added to cultures of $\Delta ptmS$, $\Delta ptmI$, $\Delta ptmK$, $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmI$, and $\Delta ptmH/ptmK::aac(3)IV$ mutants. Interestingly, the compound was unable to rescue the production of pactamycin or TM-025/TM-026 in these mutants. However, as discrete polyketide and fatty acid synthases usually work in concert, this result is not entirely unexpected. We propose that PtmS, PtmI, and PtmK need to form a suitable complex to function properly and that the synthetic β -ketoacyl intermediate has to be loaded initially onto PtmI, presumably through the ketosynthase. (Figure 2.4).

Isolation of GlcNAc-3AAP in culture broths of mutants incubated with 3AP-3OP-SNAC. Whereas the $\Delta ptmS$, $\Delta ptmI$, $\Delta ptmK$, $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmI$, and $\Delta ptmH/ptmK::aac(3)IV$ mutants incubated with 3AP-3OP-SNAC did not produce pactamycin or TM-025/TM-026, they produced a new product with a molecular formula of C₁₆H₂₂N₂O₆ (*m/z* 361.1370 [M+Na]⁺ , Figure S2d-e). Further analysis of the product by MS/MS and direct comparisons of the product with synthetically prepared authentic compound confirmed the identity of the product to be GlcNAc-3AAP. This product may be due to unspecific hydrolysis of the NAC thioester by the putative hydrolase PtmO. The resulting β -ketoacid would then undergo non-enzymatic decarboxylation to give 3AAP, which is subsequently glycosylated by the glycosyltransferase PtmJ to give GlcNAc-3AAP (Figure 2.4, dashed arrows). The latter compound, however, is accumulated in the culture, suggesting that it is not an intermediate in pactamycin biosynthesis as previously suggested.⁶ To confirm that GlcNAc-3AAP is not involved in the pathway, the compound was chemically synthesized and added to cultures of the $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$ and $\Delta ptmJ$ mutants. Since PtmT is an aminotransferase responsible for the synthesis of 3ABA, the $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$ mutant lacks the ability to produce any pactamycin analogs. If GlcNAc-3AAP is involved in the pathway, it should be able to rescue the production of TM-025/TM-026 and pactamycin in $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$ and $\Delta ptmJ$, respectively. As expected, analysis of the extracts by ESI-MS showed that GlcNAc-3AAP did not give any products in these mutants. Similarly, incorporation experiments with 3AAP in cultures of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$ and $\Delta ptmJ$ mutants also did not give any pactamycin products, confirm

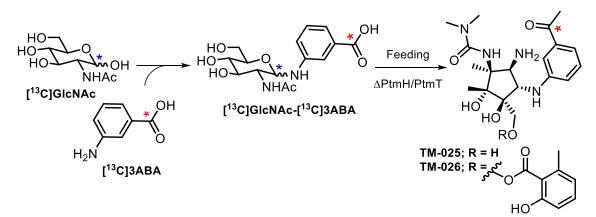


Figure 2.5 Synthesis of $[^{13}C]$ GlcNAc- $[^{13}C]$ 3ABA and feeding $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$

ing that 3AAP is not involved in the pathway. Further, GlcNAc-3ABA was synthesized and added to cultures of the same mutants. Surprisingly, this compound was able to rescue the production of TM-025/TM-026 in the $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$ mutant but not in the $\Delta ptmJ$ mutant (figures S4 and S5). The results raised a question whether the compound was incorporated into the pathway intact or underwent hydrolysis (of the sugar) to give

3ABA, which is a natural precursor of pactamycin. To address this question, we synthesized doubly ¹³C-labeled [¹³C]GlcNAc-[¹³C]3ABA by coupling of *N*-acetyl-[1-¹³C]glucosamine and 3-amino-[1-¹³C]benzoic acid and added the compound into the cultures of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$ mutant (Figure 2.5). MS analysis of the products (TM-025 and TM-026) showed *m/z* values of 396.19 and 530.23, respectively (Figure 2.6 and Figure S5), which indicate the products only bear single isotope enrichment, indicating that the compound undergoes hydrolysis to [¹³C]3ABA.

Characterization of the hydrolase PtmO.

The formation of GlcNAc-3AAP from 3AP-3OP-SNAC in cultures of $\Delta ptmS$, $\Delta ptmI$, $\Delta ptmK$, $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmI$, and $\Delta ptmH/ptmK::aac(3)/V$ mutants is believed to be due to unspecific hydrolysis of the NAC thioester by the putative hydrolase PtmO, followed by nonenzymatic decarboxylation and glycosylation by PtmJ. To confirm that PtmO is responsible for the hydrolysis of 3AP-3OP-SNAC, the compound was added to cultures of the $\Delta ptmO$ mutant. As expected, the mutant neither produced pactamycin nor GlcNAc-3AAP, suggesting the hydrolytic activity of PtmO and its important role in pactamycin biosynthesis. This was subsequently biochemically confirmed by incubating 3AP-3OP-SNAC with purified recombinant PtmO, which gave 3AAP as product (figure S9). No product was observed when boiled PtmO was used. The results confirm the activity of PtmO as a hydrolase, and also indicate that the β -ketoacid product can indeed undergo a spontaneous decarboxylation reaction.

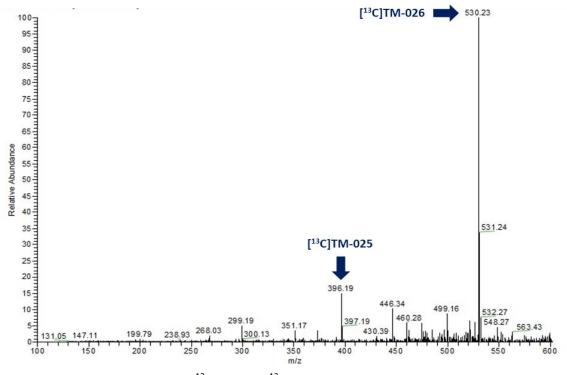


Figure 2.6. MS result of feeding [¹³C]GlcNAc-[¹³C]3ABA to $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$

PtmJ is a promiscuous glycosyltransferase.

Although GlcNAc-3AAP is not an intermediate in the pactamycin pathway, its production by the *S. pactum* strains when incubated with 3AAP indicates the relaxed substrate specificity of PtmJ. To explore the extent of the promiscuity of PtmJ, we tested a number of phenylamines, i.e. aniline (AN), 3-fluoroaniline (3FAN), and 4-fluoroaniline (4FAN), by incorporating the compounds individually to the cultures of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$ mutant. Analysis of the extracts of the culture broths by ESI-MS revealed the ability of the mutant to glycosylate the phenylamines to give GlcNAc-AN, GlcNAc-3FAN, and GlcNAc-4FAN (Figure S5). The products were isolated chromatographically and their chemical structures were characterized by NMR. Interestingly, besides the GlcNAc products, glucosyl aniline (Glc-AN), Glc-3FAN, and Glc-4FAN were also produced, suggesting that PtmJ not only recognizes NDP-GlcNAc, but also NDP-glucose, as donor sugar. To rule out the possibility that other glycosyltransferases are involved in this reaction, we added 3AAP, AN, 3FAN, and 4FAN individually to cultures of the $\Delta ptmJ$ mutant.⁵ Analysis of the extracts by ESI-MS did not show any glycosylated 3AAP or ANs, confirming that PtmJ is the sole enzyme responsible for the formation of the glycosylated phenylamines in *S. pactum*.

To confirm the activity of PtmJ and its promiscuity in vitro, we cloned the gene in the expression vector pRSET B and transferred the plasmid into *E. coli* BL21 Δ DE3 pLysS. The expression of the gene was induced by isopropyl β -D-thiogalactopyranoside (IPTG) to give a high amount of recombinant protein. However, the PtmJ protein was mostly produced in insoluble form. Attempts to obtain more soluble protein by modifying growth and induction conditions, e.g., varying growth temperature, time of induction, and/or IPTG concentration as well as by using an alternative expression vector (pET20b) were not successful. We subsequently carried out enzymatic reactions using whole cell extracts. These extracts were incubated with 3AAP, AN, 3FAN, 4FAN, and 3ABA individually in the presence of UDP-GlcNAc and Mg²⁺. The reaction mixtures were incubated for 4 h at 28 °C and the products were analyzed by ESI-MS. The results showed the formation of GlcNAc-3AAP, GlcNAc-AN, and GlcNAc-3FAN in these reactions, whereas those using extracts of *E. coli* harboring empty vector did not give any products (Figure S6). Parallel experiments using cell-free extract (soluble portion only) also gave similar results, suggesting that PtmJ was actually produced in soluble form, albeit in a low quantity. Interestingly, despite its structure similarity to 3AAP, 3ABA was not processed by PtmJ (Figure S7). In addition to the above *in vitro* experiments, we carried out *in vivo* enzymatic reactions by adding the individual substrates directly to the cultures of *E. coli* harboring the gene 2 h after IPTG induction. The cultures were agitated in an incubator shaker for 16 h, and the products were extracted with EtOAc and *n*-BuOH. Analysis of the products by ESI-MS revealed the production of GlcNAc-3AAP, GlcNAc-AN, GlcNAc-3FAN but not GlcNAc-3ABA, which is consistent with the results of the *in vitro* assays. None of these products were observed in cultures of *E. coli* harboring empty pRSET B fed with the substrates, indicating that their formation is catalyzed solely by PtmJ.

The proposed timing of glycosylation in pactamycin biosynthesis.

The above results unambiguously showed that neither 3ABA nor 3AAP is the natural substrate for PtmJ. The data also ruled out the possibility of free 3AAP and GlcNAc-3AAP as intermediates in the pathway, suggesting that the glycosylation reaction must take place during the conversion from 3ABA to the 3AAP moiety, which is catalyzed by discrete polyketide synthase enzymes (Figure 2.4). Therefore, it may be proposed that the substrate for PtmJ is an ACP-bound polyketide intermediate. Although both 3ABA-SNAC and 3AP-3OP-SNAC, which mimics the β -ketoacyl-ACP, can rescue the production of TM-025/TM-026 in $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$ mutant, by default the latter intermediate is a more likely substrate for PtmJ.

DISCUSSION:

3-Aminobenzoic acid (3ABA) is a common small molecule used in synthetic organic chemistry, but its occurrence in nature is rare. Consequently, its biosynthesis has only been established very recently.^{2,3} In pactamycin biosynthesis, 3ABA has been shown to be the precursor of the 3AAP moiety.^{1,2,13} In this study, we showed that the conversion of 3ABA to 3AAP moiety is catalyzed by a set of discrete polyketide synthase enzymes, PtmS, PtmI, and PtmK. PtmS is a putative AMP-forming acyl-CoA synthetase, which is postulated to convert 3ABA to 3ABA-AMP and then load it to the ACP Ptml. PtmK is similar to β -ketoacyl-ACP synthases (KAS) I/II, which are responsible for the elongation steps in fatty acid biosynthesis.^{7,8} Another stand-alone KAS protein (PtmR) in the pathway was also considered as a candidate enzyme involved in 3AAP formation; however, we recently identified that this protein catalyzes the transfer of 6-MSA from the iterative type I PKS, PtmQ, to an aminocyclopentitol unit.¹¹ The putative hydrolase PtmO is proposed to catalyze the cleavage of the PKS product from PtmI. Inactivation of ptmS, ptmI, ptmK, or ptmO in S. pactum or $\Delta ptmH$ entirely abolished the production of pactamycin, TM-025/TM-026, or any other intermediates, indicating that the gene products are necessary for pactamycin biosynthesis, and are most likely involved early in the pathway. As observed in many discrete polyketide and fatty acid synthases, PtmS, PtmI, and PtmK may be produced as a multi-protein complex that works in concert. PtmS shares high sequence similarity with the adenylation domains in the loading modules of the rifamycin and ansamitocin PKSs (RifA and AsmA, respectively).^{14,15} The latter proteins are part of multifunctional multimodular type I polyketide synthases that convert 3-amino-5-hydroxybenzoic acid (AHBA) to AHBA-AMP, which is then loaded onto an acyl carrier protein (ACP).^{15,16} The ability of 3AP-3OP-SNAC to rescue the production of TM-026 in $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$ (which contains a complete set of *ptmS*, *ptmI*, and *ptmK*) but not in mutant strains lacking either one of these genes supports this notion. However, further detailed studies are necessary to illuminate the nature of interactions between these discrete polyketide proteins.

Although 3AAP and GlcNAc-3AAP have been proposed to be part of pactamycin biosynthesis, these compounds appeared to have no direct involvement in the pathway. In addition, incorporation experiments and biochemical studies have also ruled out the possibility of glycosylation of 3ABA. While PtmJ can glycosylate 3AAP, this enzyme does not process 3ABA. Interestingly, GlcNAc-3ABA was able to rescue the production of TM-025/TM-026 when fed to $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$. However, incorporation studies using [¹³C]GlcNAc-[¹³C]3ABA revealed that this compound was first hydrolyzed to 3ABA before being incorporated into the pathway. On the other hand, 3ABA-SNAC and 3-[3aminophenyl]3-oxopropionyl-SNAC, which resembles ACP-bound non-glycosylated polyketide extension of 3ABA, were both able to rescue the production of TM-025/TM-026 in $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$. These results not only confirmed the role of PKS in 3AAP formation but also indicated that glycosylation takes place after the formation of 3-[3aminophenyl]3-oxopropionyl-ACP. While it is possible that 3ABA-SNAC is hydrolyzed to 3ABA prior to incorporation into the pathway, hydrolysis of 3AP-3OP-SNAC and sponta-

neous decarboxylation will result in 3AAP, which is not involved in the pactamycin biosynthesis. Therefore, the production of TM-026 by $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$ when incubated with 3AP-3OP-SNAC strongly suggests that 3AP-3OP-ACP is indeed involved in the pathway. Also, since 3AAP is not involved in the pathway, the glycosylation reaction should take place prior to PKS product hydrolysis, i.e., on an ACP-bound polyketide intermediate. Previously, Liu and coworkers reported the ability of the methymycin glycosyltransferase DesVII to process a NAC thioester of synthetically prepared linear polyketide chains.¹⁷ The result demonstrated the ability of a glycosyltransferase to process a linear polyketide intermediate, albeit less efficiently in comparison to when the natural substrate (a 12 membered ring methymycin aglycone) was used.¹⁷ Furthermore, the fact that Glc-NAc-3AAP is not directly involved in pactamycin biosynthesis also suggests that additional modifications of the sugar moiety are required before the glycosylated β -ketoacyl product is cleaved from the ACP. These may include deacetylation of the GlcNAc moiety by the deacetylase PtmG, urea formation by the carbamoyltransferase PtmB, and/or rearrangement and cyclization to an aminocyclopentitol intermediate by the radical SAM protein PtmC. On the other hand, although UDP-GlcNAc has been proposed to be the sugar donor for the PtmJ reaction, the use of other activated sugars (e.g., modified UDP-GlcNAc) has not been ruled out. It is entirely possible considering the highly broadspectrum nature of PtmJ. There are a number of enzymes within the pathway that have been proposed to be involved in the modifications of the cyclopentitol unit, such as the oxidoreductase PtmN, the aminotransferase PtmA, the carbamoyltransferase PtmB, and

the deacetylase PtmG.^{5,6} However, their functions have not been biochemically characterized. In fact, inactivation of these genes in *S. pactum* completely abolished the production of pactamycin with no intermediate compounds detected, suggesting that they are involved in the early steps of the biosynthetic pathway (unpublished data). Therefore, instead of modifying the cyclopentitol unit, several of these proteins may function as UDP-GlcNAc modifying enzymes. A similar set of enzymes have been reported in the biosynthesis of 2,3-diamino-2,3-dideoxy- α -D-glucopyranose (UDP-GlcN3N), which is part of lipid A variants found in certain Gram-negative bacteria, e.g., *Acidithiobacillus ferroxidans, Leptospira interrogans*, and *Legionela pneumophila*.¹⁸

In conclusion, this study reveals new insights into the formation of 3AAP moiety of pactamycin, involving a set of discrete polyketide synthase proteins, and provides compelling evidence for the glycosylation of an ACP-bound polyketide intermediate by a highly broad-spectrum glycosyltransferase, PtmJ. In addition, we show that PtmO is a hydrolase enzyme that is responsible for the release of the glycosylated β -ketoacid product from the ACP, and the free β -ketoacid subsequently undergoes non-enzymatic decarboxylation. However, whether the oxidoreductase PtmN, the aminotransferase PtmA, the carbamoyltransferase PtmB, the deacetylase PtmG, and/or the radical SAM enzyme PtmC function before or after the release of the glycosylated polyketide intermediate remain to be determined. Further investigations on the unique biotransformation from a sugar molecule to a cyclopentitol (ribomimetic) are warranted, and will significantly advance our knowledge of how such transformations occurs in nature.

EXPERIMENTAL:

General: All chemical reactions were performed under an argon or nitrogen atmosphere employing oven-dried glassware. Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using silica plates (60 Å) with a fluorescent indicator (254 nm), which were visualized with a UV lamp and ceric ammonium molybdate (CAM) solution. Chromatographic purification of products was performed on silica gel (60 Å, 72–230 mesh). Proton NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker 400, 500 or 700 MHz spectrometers. Proton chemical shifts are reported in ppm (δ) relative to the residual solvent signals as the internal standard (CDCl₃: $\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.26; D₂O: $\delta_{\rm H}$ 4.79). Multiplicities in the ¹H NMR spectra are described as follows: s = singlet, bs = broad singlet, d = doublet, bd = broad doublet, t = triplet, bt = broad triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet; coupling constants are reported in Hz. Carbon NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker 300 (75 MHz) spectrometer with complete proton decoupling. Carbon chemical shifts are reported in ppm (δ) relative to the residual solvent signal as the internal standard (CDCl₃: δ 77.16), or with sodium 2,2dimethylsilapentane-5-sulphonate (DSS) (δ 0.0) as an external standard. Low-resolution electrospray ionization (ESI) mass spectra were recorded on a ThermoFinnigan liquid chromatograph-ion trap mass spectrometer, and high-resolution electrospray mass spectra were recorded on a Waters/Micromass LCT spectrometer. Size exclusion chromatography was done on Sephadex LH-20 (Pharmacia).

Construction of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmI$, $\Delta ptmH/ptmK::aac(3)IV$, and $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmO$ mutants (Figure S1). The target genes were inactivated using gene in-frame deletion strategy. Two ~1 kb PCR fragments upstream (HindIII/EcoRI) and downstream (EcoRI/XbaI), of the *ptmI* and *ptmO* genes were fused and cloned into the HindIII/XbaI sites of pBluescript II SK(-) vector. The PCR products of *ptmI* and *ptmO* were excised and cloned into the HindIII/XbaI sites of pTMN002 to generate pTMM052 and pTMM08, respective-ly. All plasmids were then individually introduced into the $\Delta ptmH$ mutant strain of *S. pactum* by conjugation using the *E. coli* donor strain ET12567/pUZ8002. Apramycin resistant strains representing single crossover mutants were obtained and subsequently grown on BTT agar plates containing apramycin (50 µg/mL). Apramycin sensitive colonies were counter-selected by replica plating on BTT agar with and without apramycin (50 µg/mL). The resulting double-crossover candidate strains were confirmed by PCR amplification with F1 and R2 primers flanking the respective targeted gene.

Construction of $\Delta ptmH/ptmK::aac(3)IV$ (figure S1): The *ptmK* gene (1.7 kb) was inactivated using a gene disruption strategy. The internal fragment (0.88 kb) of *ptmK* was generated by PCR using a forward primer containing a HindIII site and a reverse primer containing a Xbal site, and *S. pactum* genomic DNA as a template. The PCR product was cloned into the HindIII/Xbal sites of pTMN002 to generate pTMM055. Plasmid pTMM055 was introduced into the *S. pactum* $\Delta ptmH$ strain by conjugation, as described by Kieser et al.¹ The freshly harvested spores and the overnight-grown *E. coli* ET12567/pUZ8002 containing plasmid pTMM055 were mixed and plated onto MS agar plates containing MgCl₂ (10 mM). After incubation at 30 °C for 18 h, the plates were overlaid with sterile water (1 mL) containing nalidixic acid (1 mg/mL) and apramycin (1 mg/mL) and incubated at 30 °C for 5-7 days. The exconjugant (single crossover) colonies were purified by plating onto BTT agar plates supplemented with apramycin (50 μ g/mL). Disruption of *ptmK* was confirmed by PCR amplification.

Synthesis of ABA-SNAC:

Synthesis of 3-((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)amino)benzoic acid: 3-aminobenzoic acid (1 g, 7.29 mmol) was added to an aqueous 1M solution of Na_2CO_3 (16 mL, 16 mmol, 2.2 eq.) and 0.025 mL of MeOH was added, followed by Boc-anhydride (1.67 g, 7.65 mmol, 1.05 eq) and the reaction stirred 12 h at room temperature. After reaching completion, the reaction was diluted with water and the pH was adjusted to pH 9 with 1M NaOH, washed with EtOAc (3 x 20 mL), the aqueous acidified with 1M HCl to pH 4 and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 30 mL), dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and volatiles removed in vacuo. 1.71 g, 99 %.²²

Synthesis of *S*-(2-acetamidoethyl) 3-((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)amino)benzothioate: 3-((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)amino) benzoic acid (237 mg, 1 mmol) was added under argon to a solution of Et_3N (0.288 mL, 2.07 mmol, 2.07 eq) in anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 (7.4 mL) and successively added EDCI-HCI (197.5 mg, 1.03 mmol, 1.03 eq) *N*-hydroxybenzotriazole (135.12 mg, 1.03 mmol, 1.03 eq) and *N*-acetylcysteamine (166.9 mg, 1.4 mmol, 1.4 eq.). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 25 minutes when TLC indicated reaction completion, then diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 mL), washed successively with saturated NaHCO₃ solution (1 x 5 mL), H₂O (1 x 10 mL), 1M HCl (1x 15 mL), and brine (1 x 5 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and volatiles removed in vacuo. The colorless residue was dissolved in EtOAc (10 mL) and added CuSO₄-impregnated silica gel (CuSO₄–SiO₂, 2.4 g)¹⁹ and stirred 10 minutes to remove excess thiol, then passed through a small silica gel column to provide 217 mg (64% yield) of the title compound as a sticky foam. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94 (s, 1H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 9 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (br s, 1H), 5.95 (br s, 1H), 3.53 (dd, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 3.22 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 9H). HR-ESI-MS: observed *m/z* 361.12061 [M+Na]⁺, calculated. for C₁₆H₂₂N₂O₄SNa *m/z* 361.11925 [M+Na]⁺.

Synthesis of *S*-(2-acetamidoethyl) 3-aminobenzothioate (**3**-ABA-SNAC): Compound **5** (0.420 mmol, 100 mg) was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (0.320 mL, 1.31 M) under N₂, then cooled in an ice bath. TFA (0.320 mL, 7.4 eq.) was added dropwise at 0 °C and stirred for 10 h at 0-10 °C when TLC indicated reaction completion. The mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) and the reaction quenched at 0 °C by dropwise addition of NaHCO₃-phosphate buffer solution (300 mg NaHCO₃ in 10 mL of pH 7 phosphate buffer), then extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (5 x 10 mL) and dried over MgSO₄, filtered and volatiles removed *in vacuo*. Preparative TLC (Et₂O–MeOH = 200:10) provided analytically pure material. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.38 (d, *J* = 8, 1H), 7.25 (m, 2H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8, 1H), 5.98 (brs, 1H), 4.21-3.50 (brs, 1H), 3.55 (q, *J* = 6, 2H), 3.23 (t, *J* = 6, 2H), 1.99 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 192.5, 170.4, 146.8, 137.8, 129.6, 120.1, 117.6, 113.0, 77.3,

77.0, 76.8, 39.8, 28.6, 23.3 ppm. HR-ESI-MS: observed *m/z* 261.06675 [M+Na]⁺; calculated. for C₁₁H₁₄N₂O₂SNa *m/z* 261.06682 [M+Na]⁺.

Synthesis of 3AP-OP-SNAC:

Synthesis of *tert*-butyl(3-((2,2-dimethyl-4,6-dioxo-1,3-dioxan-5-ylidene) (hydroxy) methyl)phenyl) carbamate (SI-2): Under an atmosphere of nitrogen, Boc-ABA (4.21 mmol, 1 g), was suspended in CH₂Cl₂ (21 mL, 0.2 M) and added N, N'dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP) (5.47 mmol, 669 mg, 1.3 eq.) followed by EDCI-HCI (4.84 mmol, 929 mg, 1.15 eq.). Meldrum's acid (4.42 mmol, 637 mg, 1.05 eq.) was then added at room temperature and the reaction was stirred at this temperature for 14 h until the reaction was complete as indicated by TLC (Et₂O-EtOAc = 1: 2, vanillin stain). The reaction was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL), washed with 0.5 M HCl (3 x 20 mL), then H₂O (1 x 100 mL) and brine (1 x 50 mL). The organics were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and volatiles were removed in vacuo to yield the title compound (1.47 g, 96%) as an orange foam which was used in the next step without further purification. ¹HNMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 15.39 (s, 1H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.47-7.27 (m, 2H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 1.84 (s, 6H), 1.51 (s, 9H). LRMS ESI-(+) found *m*/*z* 364.2 [M+H]⁺; *m*/*z* 386.2 [M+Na]⁺. HR-ESI-MS: observed *m*/z 386.12136 [M+Na]⁺, calculated. for C₁₈H₂₁NO₇Na *m*/z 386.12102 [M+Na]⁺. ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 189.3, 152.6, 138.6, 133.9, 128.9, 124.0, 123.1, 119.0, 105.1, 91.2, 81.1, 28.4, 27.0 ppm; IR data (cm⁻¹): 3333, 2981, 1727, 1673, 1559, 1397, 1289, 1236, 1159, 460.

Synthesis of S-(2-acetamidoethyl) 3-(3-((tert-butoxycarbonyl)amino)phenyl)-3oxopropanethioate (Boc-3AP-OP-SNAC): Meldrum's adduct (SI-2, 0.949 mmol, 345 mg) was added to a solution of N-acetylcysteamine (1.72 mmol, 102 mg) in benzene (9.5 mL, 0.1 M) under argon. The mixture was placed in a 90 °C oil bath and stirred 12 h at this temperature until the reaction was complete by consumption of starting material by TLC. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and concentrated to a low volume under vacuum, then diluted with EtOAc (25 mL). The resulting solution was added CuSO₄–SiO₂ (1 g) and stirred at room temperature for 1 h under N₂, and added CuSO₄ -impregnated silica gel $(CuSO_4 - SiO_2, 1 g)^{20}$ and stirred for 10 min to remove excess thiol, then passed through a small silica gel column to provide a mixture of Boc-3AP-OP-SNAC and its enol tautomer in a ratio of 3:2 (116 mg, 32%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.99 (s, 1H), 7.90 (s, 1H), 7.80 (s, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.39 (m, 3H), 6.94 (s, 1H), 6.23 (s, 2H), 6.03 (s, 1H), 4.15 (s, 2H), 3.42 (m, 4H), 3.05 (m, 4H), 1.92 (s, 3H), 1.89 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 18H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.8, 192.7, 192.2, 170.9, 170.7, 169.3, 153.0, 152.9, 139.6, 139.2, 136.6, 133.5, 129.5, 129.4, 124.0, 122.9, 122.0, 121.0, 118.6, 116.5, 97.3, 80.9, 77.6, 77.2, 76.7, 60.5, 53.9, 39.9, 39.2, 29.5, 28.4, 28.3, 23.3, 23.1, 21.1, 14.3 ppm. IR data (cm⁻¹): 3320, 3077, 2978, 1702, 1608, 1588, 1544, 1240, 1160. HR-ESI-MS: observed *m*/*z* 403.13066 [M+Na]⁺, calculated. for $C_{18}H_{24}N_2O_5SNa m/z 403.12981 [M+Na]^+$.

Synthesis of *S*-(2-Acetamidoethyl)3-(3-Aminophenyl)-3-Oxopropanethioate (**3AP-OP-SNAC**): Boc-3AP-OP-SNAC (0.263 mmol, 100 mg) was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (0.2 mL,

1.78 M) under N₂, then cooled in an ice bath. TFA was added dropwise at 0 °C and stirred for 8 h at a temperature range of 0 to 10 °C until the reaction was completed by TLC. The mixture was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) and the reaction was guenched at 0 °C by dropwise addition of NaHCO₃-phosphate buffer solution (300 mg NaHCO₃ in 10 mL, pH 7, phosphate buffer), then extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (5 x 10 mL) and dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and volatiles removed in vacuo. After chromatography (Et₂O-MeOH = 100:5 to 50:5), the title compound was obtained as a yellow oil (59 mg, 80%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 13.34 – 12.70 (m, 1H), 8.03 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 6.93 (m, 6H), δ 6.84 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 6.26 (s, 1H), 5.36 (s, 1H), 4.33 (s, 2H), 3.42 (m, 4H), 3.04 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.94 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 1.80 (s, 3H), 1.79 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 193.9, 192.9, 192.6, 169.2, 169.1, 149.1, 149.0, 136.6, 132.6, 129.2, 129.2, 119.2, 117.5, 116.4, 113.9, 112.7, 111.3, 96.5, 53.5, 40.4, 40.1, 39.8, 39.5, 39.2, 39.0, 38.7, 38.3, 38.0, 28.5, 27.7, 27.0, 22.5 ppm. LR-ESI-MS: found *m/z* 281 [M+H]⁺; *m/z* 303.1 [M+Na]⁺. IR data (cm⁻¹): 3409, 3005, 2918, 1658, 1435, 1022, 953, 706. HR-ESI-MS: observed *m*/z 303.07806 [M+Na]⁺, calculated. for C₁₃H₁₆N₂O₃SNa *m*/z 303.07738 [M+Na]⁺.

Synthesis of N-Acetyl-D-glucosaminyl-1-aminoacetophenone (GlcNAc-1-AAP). *N*-acetyl-D-glucosamine (GlcNAc) (2.0 mmol, 442 mg) and 3AAP (2.0 mmol, 135 mg) were added 15 mL MeOH followed by 5.0 mL of acetic acid, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature 18h. After removal of the solvent, the residue was directly purified by silica-gel chromatography using CHCl₃–CH₃OH (20:1 to 6:3). The glycosylated product was recrystallized from the MeOH solution to give a yellow compound (50 mg). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.34 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (dd, *J* = 14, 6 Hz, 2H), 6.93 (dd, *J* = 8, 2 Hz, 1H), 4.86 (s, 10H), 4.63 (d, *J* = 9 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (dd, *J* = 20, 11 Hz, 2H), 3.71 (d, *J* = 5 Hz, 1H), 3.55 (d, *J* = 10 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 3.33 (d, *J* = 19 Hz, 3H), 2.55 (d, *J* = 6 Hz, 3H), 1.98 (d, *J* = 5 Hz, 3H).

Synthesis of [¹³**C**]**GlcNAc-[¹³C**]**3ABA.** *N*-acetyl-D-[1-¹³C]glucosamine ([¹³C]GlcNAc) (0.146 mmol, 20.1 mg) and [1'-¹³C] 3-aminobenzoic acid ([¹³C]3ABA) (0.146 mmol, 32.4 mg) were mixed with 2.18 mL of MeOH and 0.73 mL of AcOH, and the mixture was stirred 18h at room temperature. The reaction was concentrated *in vacuo* and applied to a column of silica-gel (CH₂Cl₂-CH₃OH, 80:20 to 0:100) to give the title compound as a mixture of both alpha and beta anomers (7.5 mg, ¹H NMR (300 MHz, D₂O–MeOD) δ 7.33 (br s, 2H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 9 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 10 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (d, *J* = 9 Hz, 1H), 3.86 -3.41 (m, 6H), 1.98 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, D₂O–MeOD) δ 175.8, 147.4, 147.5, 129.5, 129.4, 126.0, 120.8, 117.3, 115.3, 104.3, 86.9, 82.4, 78.3, 76.6, 72.3, 62.8, 56.5, 22.8 ppm. HR-ESI-MS: observed *m*/*z* 365.12301 [M+Na]⁺, calculated. for $C_{13}^{13}C_2H_{20}N_2O_7Na m/z$ 365.12298 [M+Na]⁺.

Incorporation experiments. $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmI$, $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmO$, and $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmK::aprR$ mutant strains were streaked on BTT agar [glucose (1%), yeast extract (0.1%), beef extract (0.1%), casein hydrolysate (0.2%), agar (1.5%), pH 7.4] and incubated at 30 °C for 3 days. Spores of the mutant strains were grown in Erlenmeyer flasks (125 mL) each containing 30 mL seed medium [glucose (1%), yeast extract (0.1%), beef extract (0.1%), casein hydrolysate (0.2%), pH 7.4] for 3 days at 28°C and 200 rpm.

The seed cultures of each strain (1 mL each) were used to inoculate 2 x 50 mL Erlenmeyer flasks containing production medium, modified Bennett medium [glucose (1%), yeast extract (0.1%), beef extract (0.1%), soytone (0.2%), pH 7.4] (10 mL in each flask). After incubation for 16 h under the same condition, each mutant strain was fed with 3.0 mM of 3AP-3OP-SNAC and the last flask of each strain was used as a control (No feeding). The feeding was repeated every 12 h for 2 days. After 5 days of incubation, the cultures were centrifuged and the metabolites of each group were extracted twice with equal volume of EtOAc and once with 1.5 volume of *n*-BuOH. The organic solvent was evaporated in vacuo. The residues were dissolved in MeOH and were analyzed by MS and HPLC.

Cloning and construction of expression plasmids of *ptmO* and *ptmJ*. The *ptmO* gene was amplified using the primers ptmO-BgIII and ptmO-EcoRI, and *ptmJ* gene was amplified using the primers ptmJ-EcoRI and ptmJ-HindIII. The PCR products were respectively cloned into BamHI and EcoRI sites and EcoRI and HindIII sites of the pRSET B to generate the expression vector pTMM080 (pRSET B-ptmO) and pTMM067 (pRSET B-ptmJ) and were introduced into the *E. coli* BL21 (DE3) pLysS (Invitrogen). The empty vector pRSET B was introduced into the *E. coli* BL21 (DE3) pLysS to be used as a control. Additionally, ptmJ was also cloned into NdeI and EcoRI sites of the pET-28b and was subsequently transformed to *E. coli* BL21 (DE3) pLysS. For protein expression of *ptmJ* and *ptmO*, the bacteria were grown in LB medium supplemented with chloramphenicol (50 μ g/mL) and ampicillin (100 μ g/mL) at 37 °C for 16 h. An aliquot (1 mL) of overnight

grown culture was used to inoculate a fresh LB medium (100 mL in 500 mL flask), supplemented with the same antibiotics, at a temperature of 37 °C under shaking of 230 rpm and was grown until an OD_{600} of 0.6 was reached. Recombinant protein expression was induced with isopropyl β -D-thiogalactopyranoside (IPTG) to a final concentration of 0.1 mM and cultivated further. Fifteen milliliters of culture were harvested from the induced culture by centrifugation at 5000 rpm at 4 °C for 20 min.

Enzyme assay of PtmO. Enzyme assays (100 μ L) were performed at 30 °C for 6 h in 25 mM phosphate buffer (pH 7.5) containing recombinant PtmO (50 μ L) or boiled PtmO (50 μ L) with 3AP-3OP-SNAC (2 mM). After incubation for 5 h at 30 °C, the reaction was quenched with 100 μ L MeOH and analyzed by ESI-MS and HPLC.

Enzyme assay of PtmJ (PctL). The PtmJ reaction (100 μ L) was performed using 40 μ L of the whole cells or 40 μ L of the cell free extract and 60 μ L solution containing 2 mM substrate (aniline, 3-floroaniline, 4-flouroaniline, 3-aminoacetophenone, or 3-aminobenzoic acid) and 2 mM UDP-*N*-Acetylglucosamine. The reactions were performed at 28 °C for 6 hours. The whole cells and cell-free extract of the empty vector were used as control. The reaction was quenched by addition of 100 μ L methanol and the precipitated protein was removed by centrifugation. The resultant supernatants were used for mass spectrometry analyses.

Biotransformation (PtmJ) assay

E. coli (BL21) harboring *ptmJ* in pRSETB was grown as described above (5 x 150ml flasks containing 50ml LB medium). Two hours after induction with IPTG, the substrate, (ani-

line, 3-floroaniline, 3-aminoacetophenone or 3-aminobenzoic acid) at a final concentration of 2 mM, was added to the broth culture. The reaction mixture was incubated at 16 °C on a rotary shaker (200 rpm) overnight. the *E. coli* (BL21) strain containing pRSETB alone was employed as a negative control. The reaction was quenched by centrifugation to obtain the supernatant. The supernatant was extracted twice with ethyl acetate (1:1) and once with *n*-butanol (1:1). The *n*-butanol extract was evaporated to dryness and dissolved in 5 mL methanol and used for monitoring glycosylated products by ESI-MS.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Formation of 3-Aminoacetophenone Moiety and Evidence for Glycosylation of An Acyl Carrier Protein-bound Polyketide Intermediate in Pactamycin Biosynthesis

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Supporting Figures

Figure S1. PCR analysis of **a**) $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmI$, **b**) $\Delta ptmH/ptmK$::aac(3)IV, and **c**) $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmO$.

Figure S2. ESI-MS (+) analysis of **a**) $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmI$, **b**) $\Delta ptmH/ptmK$::aac(3)IV, **c**) $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmO$, chemical complementation of **d**) $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmI$, **e**)

 $\Delta ptmH/ptmK$::aac(3)IV, and **f**) $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmO$ with 3AP-3OP-SNAC.

Figure S3. ESI-MS (+) analysis of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$ mutant fed with 3AP-3OP-SNAC.

Figure S4. ESI-MS (+) analysis of △*ptmJ* mutant fed with NAcGlc-3ABA

Figure S5. ESI-MS analysis of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$ mutant fed with **a**) GlcNAc-3ABA, and **b**) [¹³C]GlcNAc-[¹³C]3ABA.

Figure S6. ESI-MS (+) analysis of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$ mutant fed with phenylamines. **a**) control, **b**) aniline (AN), **c**) 3-fluoroaniline (3FAN), **d**) 4-fluoroaniline (4FAN).

Figure S7. ESI-MS (+) analysis of glycosylation of 3AAP, AN, and 3FAN by cell-free extracts of *Escherichia coli* containing PtmJ.

Figure S8. ESI-MS (+) analysis of glycosylation of 3ABA by cell-free extracts of *Escherichia coli* containing PtmJ.

Figure S9. HPLC analysis (215 nm) of the hydrolase activity of PtmO NMR data of all synthetic compounds used in this study can be found in Appendix A

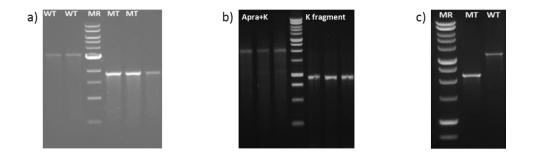


Figure S1. PCR analysis of **a**) Δ*ptmH*/Δ*ptmI*, **b**) Δ*ptmH*/*ptmK*::aac(3)IV, and **c**) Δ*ptmH*/Δ*ptmO*.

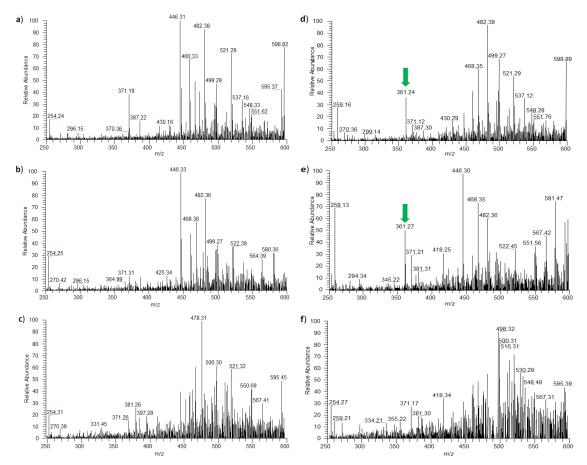


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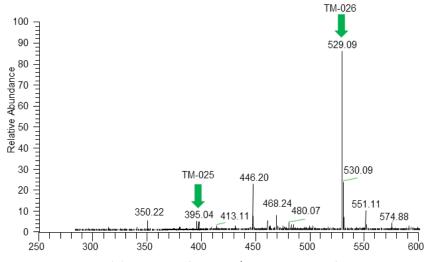


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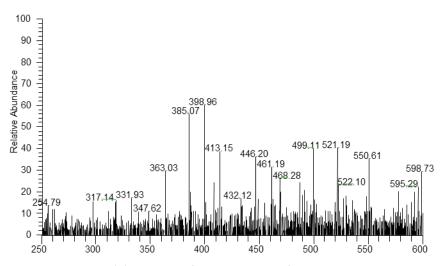


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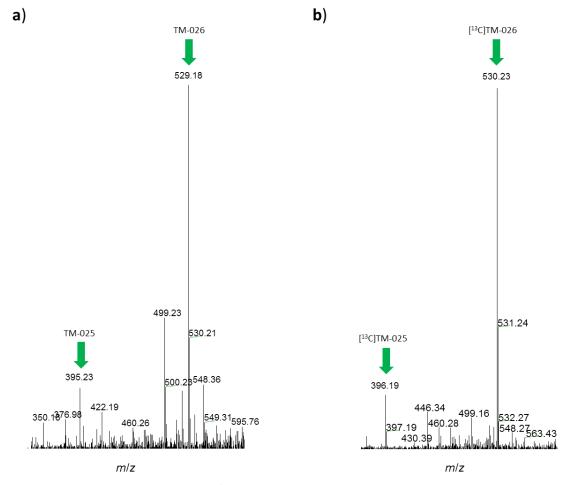


Figure S5. ESI-MS analysis of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmT$ mutant fed with **a**) GlcNAc-3ABA, and **b**) [¹³C]GlcNAc-[¹³C]3ABA.

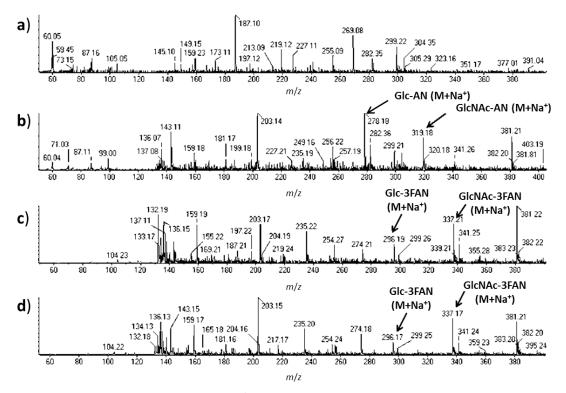


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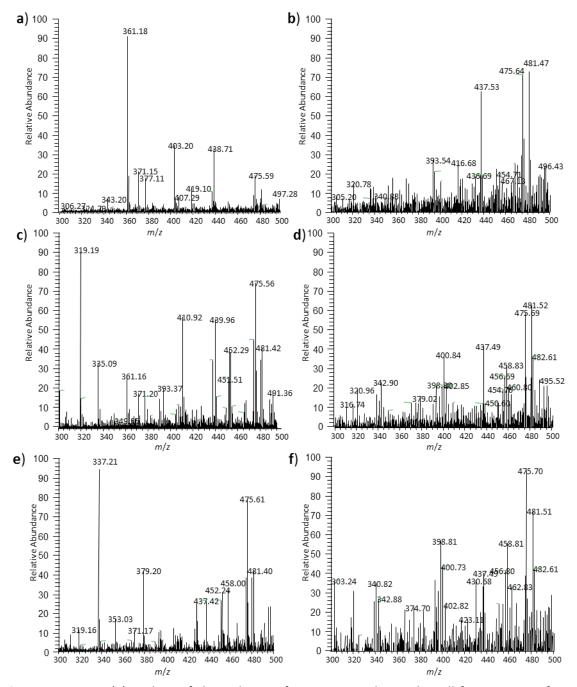


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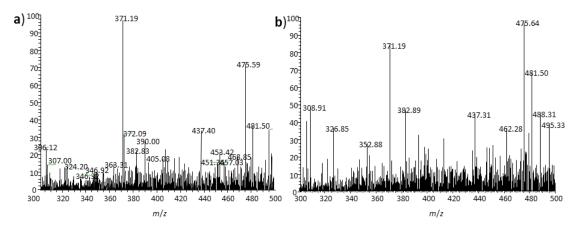


Figure S8. ESI-MS (+) analysis of glycosylation of 3ABA by cell-free extracts of *Escherichia coli* containing PtmJ.

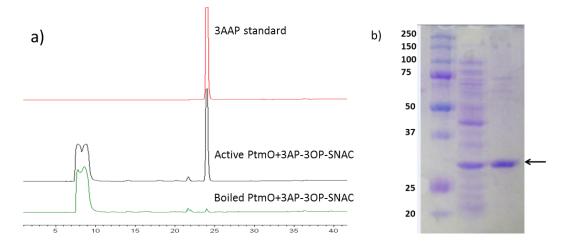


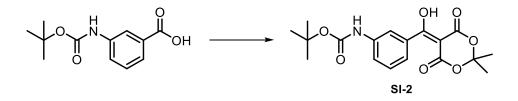
Figure S9. a) HPLC analysis (215 nm) of the hydrolase activity of PtmO, and b) SDS-page gel of purified PtmO protein.

General Experimental conditions:

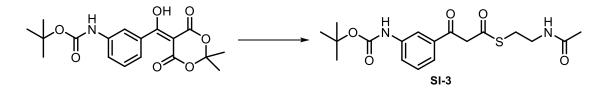
All reactions were carried out under an inert, argon atmosphere in oven-dried glassware at 170°C unless indicated otherwise. Flash column chromatography was carried out with SiliaFlash P60, 60 Å silica gel. Reactions and column chromatography were monitored with EMD silica gel 60 F254 plates and visualized with potassium permanganate, ceric ammonium molybdate, iodine, or vanillin stains. Benzene (PhH), methylene chloride (DCM), and triethylamine (Et₃N) were distilled over calcium hydride prior to use. All other reagents and solvents were used without further purification from commercial sources. Instrumentation: FT-IR spectra were obtained on NaCl plates with a PerkinElmer Spectrum Vision spectrometer. Proton and carbon NMR spectra (¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR) were recorded in deuterated chloroform (CDCl₃) unless otherwise noted on a Bruker 700 MHz Avance III Spectrometer with carbon-optimized cryoprobe and Bruker 400 MHz DPX-400 spectrometer and calibrated to residual solvent peaks. Multiplicities are abbreviated as follows: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, sept = septet, br = broad, m = multiplet.



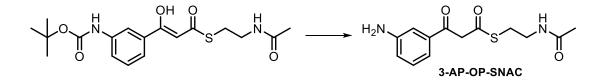
<u>Synthesis of 3-((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)amino)benzoic acid (SI-1)</u>: 3-aminobenzoic acid (1 g, 7.29 mmol) was added to a 1M aqueous solution of Na₂CO₃ (16.05 mL, 16.05 mmol, 2.2 eq) and 25 μ L of methanol was added, followed by boc-anhydride (1.67 g, 7.65 mmol, 1.05 eq) and the reaction stirred 12 h at room temperature. After reaching completion, the reaction was diluted with water and the pH was adjusted to pH 9 with 1M NaOH, washed with EtOAc (3 x 20 mL), and the aqueous was added 1M HCl until pH = 4 was achieved and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 30 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and volatiles were removed *in vacuo* (1.71g, 99 %). Analytical data matched reported data.²²



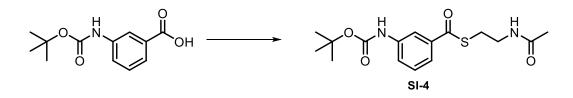
Synthesis of tert-butyl (3-((2,2-dimethyl-4,6-dioxo-1,3-dioxan-5-ylidene)(hydroxy) methyl) phenyl) carbamate (SI-2): Under an atmosphere of nitrogen SI-1 (4.21mmol, 1 g), was suspended in DCM (21 mL, 0.2M) and added N, N'-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP) (5.47 mmol, 669 mg, 1.3 eq) followed by EDCI-HCl (4.84 mmol, 929 mg, 1.15 eq). Meldrum's acid²¹ (4.42 mmol, 637 mg, 1.05eq) was added at room temperature and the reaction was stirred at this temperature for 14 h until the reaction was complete as indicated by TLC (EtOAc-Et₂O = 2:1, vanillin stain). The reaction was diluted with DCM (20 mL), washed with 0.5M HCl (20 mL x 3), then H₂O (100 mL), and brine (50 mL). The organics were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and solvent removed in vacuo to yield SI-2 (1.47 g, 96%) as an orange foam which was used in the next step without further purification. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 15.39 (s, 1H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.47-7.27 (m, 2H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 1.84 (s, 6H), 1.51 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 189.27, 152.60, 138.57, 133.90, 128.85, 124.04, 123.05, 119.00, 105.13, 91.20, 81.14, 28.44, 26.98; IR data (cm⁻¹): 3333, 2981, 1727, 1673, 1559, 1397, 1289, 1236, 1159, 460. HR-ESI-MS Theoretical [M+Na]⁺: 386.12102 *m/z*, Observed [M+Na]⁺: 386.12136 *m/z*. LRMS (ESI+) found 364.2 *m/z* = [M+H], 386.2 *m/z* = [M+Na].



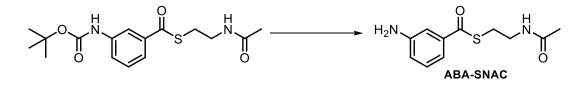
S-(2-acetamidoethyl) 3-(3-((tert-butoxycarbonyl)amino)phenyl)-3-Synthesis of oxopropanethioate (SI-3): The meldrums adduct SI-2 (0.949mmol, 345mg) was added to a solution of N-Acetylcysteamine (1.72 mmol, 102 mg) in benzene (9.5 mL, 0.1M) under argon. The mixture was placed in a 90°C oil bath and stirred 12h at this temperature until the reaction was complete by consumption of starting material on TLC. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and concentrated to a low volume under vacuum, then diluted with EtOAc (25mL). The resulting solution was added $CuSO_4$ -SiO₂ (1g)²¹ and stirred at room temperature for 1 h under N₂, and passed through a small column of SiO₂ to provide SI-3 as mixture of its keto and enol tautomers in a ratio of 3:2 (116 mg, 32%). LRMS (ESI+) found: 403 m/z = M+Na. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.99 (s, 1H), 7.90 (s, 1H), 7.80 (s, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.39 (m, 3H), 6.94 (s, 1H), 6.23 (s, 2H), 6.03 (s, 1H), 4.15 (s, 2H), 3.42 (m, 4H), 3.05 (m, 4H), 1.92 (s, 3H), 1.89 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 18H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.81, 192.73, 192.17, 170.88, 170.66, 169.27, 152.97, 152.88, 139.56, 139.22, 136.55, 133.49, 129.54, 129.36, 124.01, 122.94, 121.99, 121.03, 118.62, 116.47, 97.32, 80.96, 77.58, 77.16, 76.74, 60.48, 53.88, 39.88, 39.19, 29.52, 28.41, 28.26, 23.26, 23.14, 21.11, 14.27; IR data (cm⁻¹): 3320, 3077, 2978, 1702, 1608, 1588, 1544, 1240, 1160. HR-ESI-MS Observed [M+Na]⁺: 403.13066 *m/z*, Theoretical [M+Na]⁺: *m/z* 403.12981.



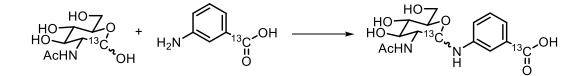
Synthesis of S-(2-acetamidoethyl) 3-(3-aminophenyl)-3-oxopropanethioate (3-AP-OP-SNAC): SI-3 (0.263 mmol, 100 mg) was dissolved in DCM (0.200 mL, 1.31M) under N₂, then cooled in an ice bath. TFA (0.200 mL, 7.4eq) was added dropwise at 0°C and stirred for 8h at 0-10°C when TLC indicated reaction completion. The mixture was diluted with DCM (10 mL) and the reaction quenched at 0 °C by dropwise addition of NaHCO₃phosphate buffer solution (300 mg NaHCO₃ in 10 mL of pH 7 phosphate buffer), then extracted with DCM (5x10 mL) and dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and volatiles removed in vacuo. After chromatography (Et₂O-MeOH =100:5 to 50:5) the title compound was obtained as a yellow oil (59 mg, 80%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, d_6 -DMSO) δ 13.34 – 12.70 (m, 1H), 8.03 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 6.93 (m, H), δ 6.84 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.26 (s, 1H), 5.36 (s, 1H), 4.33 (s, 2H), 3.42 (m, 4H), 3.04 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.94 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.80 (s, 3H), 1.79 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, d₆-DMSO) δ 193.92, 192.94, 192.56, 169.22, 169.12, 149.06, 148.99, 136.63, 132.56, 129.23, 129.17, 119.18, 117.53, 116.39, 113.85, 112.67, 111.27, 96.51, 53.52, 40.35, 40.08, 39.80, 39.52, 39.24, 38.96, 38.69, 38.29, 38.00, 28.49, 27.73, 27.02, 22.45. Enol-tautomer: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 13.08 (s, 1H), 7.40 – 7.04 (m, 3H), 6.83 (d, J = 8, 1H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 6.07-5.92 (m, 1H), 4.01-3.75 (m, 2H), 3.54 (dd, J = 13, 7 Hz, 2H), 3.17 (t, J = 6 Hz, 2H), 2.01 (s, 3H). Ketotautomer: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.40 – 7.04 (m, 3H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 1H), 6.00 (brm, 2H), 4.23 (s, 2H), 4.01-3.75 (brm, 2H), 3.50 (dd, *J* = 13, 7 Hz, 2H), 3.14 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 1.97 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 194.7, 192.9, 192.3, 169.9, 147.1, 146. 8, 136.9, 133.6, 129.8, 129.6, 120.5, 118.9, 118.5, 116.7, 114.2, 112.7, 97.0, 53.8, 39.9, 39.2, 29.3, 28.1, 23.3 ppm. HRMS-ESI(+): Theoretical [M+Na]⁺: 303.07738 *m/z*; observed [M+Na]⁺: 303.07806 *m/z*; IR data (cm⁻¹): 3409, 3005, 2918, 1658, 1435, 1022, 953, 706.



Synthesis of *S*-(2-acetamidoethyl) 3-((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)amino)benzothioate (SI-4): Boc-ABA (SI-1, 237 mg, 1 mmol) was added under argon to a solution of Et₃N (0.288 mL, 2.07 mmol, 2.07 eq) in anhydrous DCM (7.4 mL) and successively added EDCI-HCI (197.5 mg, 1.03 mmol, 1.03 eq) *N*-hydroxybenzotriazole (135.12 mg, 1.03 mmol, 1.03 eq) and *N*-Acetylcysteamine (166.85 mg, 1.4 mmol, 1.4 eq). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 25 minutes when TLC indicated reaction completion, then diluted with DCM (3 mL), washed successively with saturated NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL), H₂O (10 mL), 1M HCI (15 mL), and brine (5 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and volatiles removed *in vacuo*. The colorless residue was dissolved in EtOAc (10mL) and added CuSO₄ impregnated silica gel (CuSO₄ - SiO₂, 2.4g)¹ and stirred 10 minutes to remove excess thiol, then passed through a small silica gel column to provide 217 mg (64% yield) of the title compound as a sticky foam. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.94 (s, 1H), 7.63 (t, *J* = 9 Hz, 2H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (br s, 1H), 5.95 (br s, 1H), 3.53 (dd, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 3.22 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 9H). Theoretical [M+Na]⁺: *m/z* 361.11925, observed [M+Na]⁺: *m/z* 361.12061.



Synthesis of *S*-(2-acetamidoethyl) 3-aminobenzothioate (3-ABA-SNAC): Boc-3-ABA-SNAC (0.420 mmol, 100 mg) was dissolved in DCM (0.320 mL, 1.31 M) under N₂, then cooled in an ice bath. TFA (0.320 mL, 7.4eq) was added dropwise at 0°C and stirred for 10h at 0-10°C when TLC indicated reaction completion. The mixture was diluted with DCM (10 mL) and the reaction quenched at 0°C by dropwise addition of NaHCO₃-phosphate buffer solution (300 mg NaHCO₃ in 10 mL of pH 7 phosphate buffer), then extracted with DCM (5x10 mL) and dried over MgSO₄, filtered and volatiles removed *in vacuo*. Preparative TLC (Et₂O-MeOH =200:10) provided analytically pure material. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.38 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.25 (m, 2H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 5.98 (brs, 1H), 4.21-3.50 (brs, 1H), 3.55 (q, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 3.23 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 1.99 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 192.51, 170.35, 146.82, 137.76, 129.62, 120.09, 117.57, 113.03, 77.29, 77.04, 76.79, 39.75, 28.58, 23.27. HR-ESI-MS: calculated for C₁₁H₁₄N₂O₂SNa, [M+Na]⁺: *m/z* 261.06682, observed [M+Na]⁺: *m/z* 261.06675.



Synthesis of *N*-acetyl-D-glucosaminyl-1-aminobenzoic acid ([¹³C]GlcNAc-[¹³C]3ABA): *N*-acetyl-D-[1-¹³C]glucosamine ([¹³C]GlcNAc) (0.146 mmol, 20.1 mg) and [1'-¹³C] 3-aminobenzoic acid ([¹³C]3ABA) (0.146 mmol, 32.4 mg) were suspended in methanol (2.18 mL) and acetic acid (0.73 mL), and the mixture was stirred 18 h at room temperature. The reaction was concentrated *in vacuo* and applied to column of silica-gel (CH₂Cl₂-CH₃OH, 80:20 to 0:100) to give the title compound as a mixture of both anomers (7.5 mg, ¹H NMR (300 MHz, D₂O-MeOD = 3:1) δ 7.33 (br s, 2H), 7.12 (t, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 9 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 10 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (d, *J* = 9 Hz, 1H), 3.86 -3.41 (m, 6H), 1.98 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, D₂O-MeOD) δ 175.8, 147.4, 147.5, 129.5, 129.4, 126.0, 120.80, 117.30, 115.3, 104.3, 86.9, 82.4, 78.3, 76.6, 72.3, 62.8, 56.5, 22.8. HR-ESI-MS(+): Observed [M+Na]⁺: *m/z* 365.12201. Theoretical [M+Na]⁺: *m/z* 365.12298.

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A Highly Promiscuous β -Ketoacyl-ACP Synthase (KAS) III-like Protein Is Involved in Pactamycin Biosynthesis

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β-Ketoacyl-acyl carrier protein synthase (KAS) enzymes play a central role in type I (modular) and type II (dissociable) fatty acid synthases (FASs) and polyketide synthases (PKSs), as well as in chalcone synthases.¹ In the type II dissociable FASs, three types of KAS enzymes are known: KAS I (FabB) and KAS II (FabF) are responsible for the elongation steps, whereas KAS III (FabH) catalyzes the initiation step, involving a Claisen condensation of the acetyl-CoA starter unit with the first extender unit, malonyl-ACP, to form acetoacetyl-ACP (Figure S1a).¹ In Streptomyces, KAS III can also recruit alternative starter units, such as isobutyryl-CoA and methylbutyryl-CoA, to form branched chain fatty acids. Less efficiently, it can also catalyze acyl-CoA:ACP transacylase (ACAT) reactions.²

Over the past decade, a number of KAS III-like enzymes have been reported to have unusual catalytic functions. The cloN2 gene of the clorobiocin cluster in *Streptomyces roseochromogenes* var. *oscitans* has been found through a gene inactivation study to be responsible for the transfer of the pyrrolylcarbonyl unit to the sugar moiety of clorobiocin.³ The KAS III-like protein CerJ uses malonyl-CoA analogs to form sugar esters in cervimycin biosynthesis (Figure S1b),⁴ whereas ChIB6 from the chlorothricin pathway transfers a 3-chloro-6-methoxy-2-methylbenzoyl moiety from a discrete ACP, ChIB2, to a sugar moiety of chlorothricin (Figure S1c).⁵ The 3-chloro-6-methoxy-2-methylbenzoyl unit is derived from a 6-methylsalicylyl (6-MSA) unit, a product of an iterative type I PKS (ChIB1). Incorporation of this PKS product to the sugar moiety of chlorothricin requires multiple intermediary acyl transfer reactions involving two discrete KAS III-like proteins (ChIB3 and ChIB6) and a discrete ACP (ChIB2; Figure S1c).⁵

Genes encoding proteins homologous to ChIB6 have been found in a number of natural products biosynthetic gene clusters, such as *aviN* of the avilamycin A cluster in *Streptomyces viridochromogenes* Tü57,⁶ *evrI* of the evernimicin cluster in *Micromonospora carbonacea* var. *africana* ATCC 39149,⁷ *calO4* of the calicheamicin cluster in *Micromonospora echinospora* subsp. *calichensis*,⁸ *pokM2* of the polyketomycin cluster in *Streptomyces diastatochromogenes* Tü6028,⁹ *tiaF* of the tiacumicin cluster in *Dactylosporangium aurantiacum* subsp. *hamdenensis* NRRL 18085,¹⁰ and *esmD1* of the esmeraldin pathway in *Streptomyces* antibiotics Tü 2706.¹¹ Except esmeraldin, all of these natural products contain one or more sugar moieties decorated by 6-MSA or orsellinic acid derivatives. However, in contrast to the chlorothricin pathway, they lack the genes that code for the second KAS III and the discrete ACP in their clusters.

A gene encoding a protein homologous to KAS III was also found in the pactamycin cluster in *Streptomyces pactum* (Figure S2).¹² This gene (*ptmR*) may be involved in the attachment of 6-MSA, which is synthesized by the iterative type I PKS PtmQ,¹² to the aminocyclopentitol core unit in pactamycin biosynthesis. Also present in the cluster are genes that code for a KAS I protein (PtmK), a discrete ACP (PtmI), and a putative hydrolase/acyltransferase (PtmO). The roles of these genes in pactamycin biosynthesis are currently unknown, but their possible involvement in the attachment of 6-MSA cannot

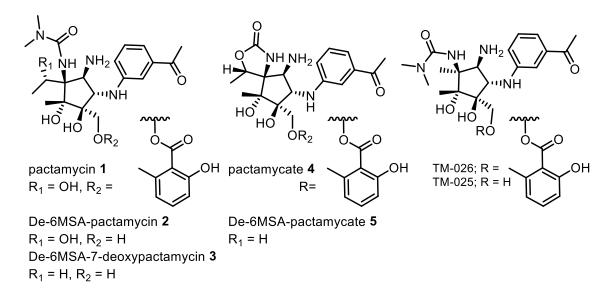
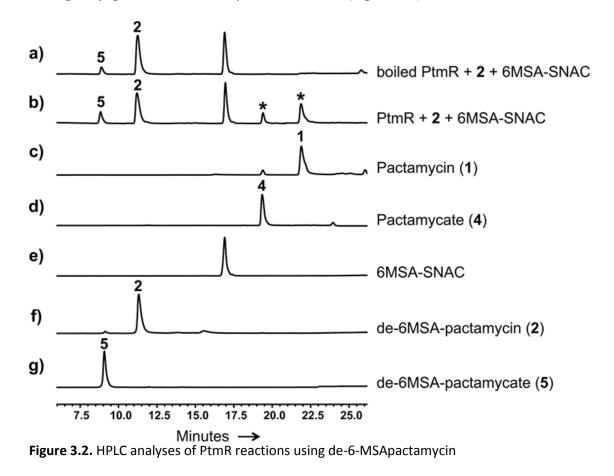


Figure 3.1. Pactamycin (1) and derivatives obtained from biosynthetic manipulations

To investigate the involvement of *ptml*, *ptmK*, *ptmO*, and *ptmR* in the transfer of the 6-MSA moiety, we generated mutant strains of *S. pactum* by either in-frame deletion or gene disruption with *aac(3)IV* (Figures S3 and S4) and characterized their products by ESI-MS and HPLC. Inactivation of *ptml*, *ptmK*, or *ptmO* completely abrogated the production of pactamycin and its analogs (Figure S5),¹² suggesting that these genes are involved in the early steps of the pathway, not in the attachment of 6-MSA, which occurs later in the pathway.^{12,13} On the other hand, the *Δptm*R mutant produced de-6-MSA-pactamycin (**2**) and its degradation product, de-6-MSA-pactamycate (**5**; Figures 2.1, S6a, and S7), consistent with the absence of 6-MSA-transferase activity in this mutant. Furthermore, we inactivated ptmR in a mutant strain of *S. pactum*, *Δptm*H, which produces 7-deoxy-7-demethylpactamycin (TM-026, **6**).¹⁴ The double gene knockout mutant, *Δptm*H/*Δptm*R, produces de-6-MSA-7-deoxy-7-demethylpactamycin (TM-025, 7; Figures 2.1).

S6g and S8), confirming the function of PtmR as a 6-MSA-transferase. These results were further corroborated by a gene complementation experiment, in which an integrative plasmid harboring intact *ptmR* was introduced into $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmR$. As expected, the resulting conjugants were able to produce TM-026 (Figure S6f).



To characterize the catalytic function of PtmR in vitro, we cloned the gene in the expression vector pET-20b(+) and heterologously expressed it in *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3) pLysS to give a 39-kDa C-terminal His6-tagged protein (Figure S9). Initial enzymatic experiments were carried out using cell-free extracts of *E. coli* containing PtmR,

with de-6-MSApactamycin (2), de-6-MSA-7-deoxypactamycin (3), de-6-MSApactamycate (5), or TM-025 (7) as substrates. The synthetically prepared *N*-acetylcysteamine (NAC) thioester of 6-MSA, which mimics an ACP-bound substrate, was used as a model acyl donor substrate. ESI-MS and HPLC analyses of the reaction products revealed the conversion of the de-6-MSA analogs to their corresponding 6-MSA esters (Figures S10 and S11). Similar experiments using purified PtmR protein and de-6-MSA-pactamycin also gave pactamycin and its degradation product, pactamycate (Figure 3.2), which unambiguously confirm the 6-MSA-transferase activity of PtmR. Incubations of the enzyme and TM-025 with 6-MSA free acid as a substrate did not give any products, indicating PtmR only recognizes an activated substrate (data not shown). Moreover, addition of 6-MSA to $\Delta ptmQ$ and $\Delta ptmQ/\Delta ptmH$ cultures did not give pactamycin or TM-026 (Figure S12), suggesting that free 6-MSA is not involved in the pathway.

However, in saphenamycin biosynthesis, it is proposed that 6-MSA is first activated by a 6-MSA adenylase (EsmD2) to its AMP derivative and loaded onto a carrier protein (EsmD3) before being transferred to saphenic acid by EsmD1, a ChIB6 homologue.¹¹ In fact, a gene encoding a putative AMP-forming acyl-CoA synthetase is present in the pactamycin cluster. The gene product (PtmS) has been proposed to catalyze the activation of 3-aminobenzoic acid (3ABA), the precursor of the 3-aminoacetophenone moiety of pactamycin.^{12,15} However, its role in the pactamycin pathway has yet to be experimentally established.

To investigate the possible involvement of PtmS in the 6-MSA transfer, we inac-

tivated the gene in *S. pactum* by in frame-deletion and analyzed the products by ESI-MS. Similar to the *AptmI*, *AptmK*, and *AptmO* mutants, *AptmS* was not able to produce pactamycin or its analogs (Figure S13), suggesting that it is involved in an early step of the pathway. However, the results cannot rule out the possibility of PtmS playing a dual role in the pathway that is activating both 3ABA and 6-MSA. This may also be the case with the discrete ACP Ptml. To test this possibility, we carried out coculture experiments using $\Delta ptmQ/\Delta ptmH + \Delta ptmI$ and $\Delta ptmQ/\Delta ptmH + \Delta ptmS$. Cocultures of $\Delta ptmQ/\Delta ptmH +$ $\Delta ptmJ$ (which lacks the glycosyltransferase activity)¹² were used as a positive control. It is expected that the $\Delta ptmQ/\Delta ptmH$ mutant product (TM-025) will be taken up by $\Delta ptmJ$ and converted to TM-026. A similar phenomenon should occur in the $\Delta ptmQ/\Delta ptmH +$ $\Delta ptml$ and $\Delta ptmQ/\Delta ptmH + \Delta ptmS$ cultures. However, if Ptml and PtmS are involved in the 6-MSA attachment, no conversion from TM-025 to TM-026 should be observed. As expected, the $\Delta ptmQ/\Delta ptmH + \Delta ptmJ$ cultures produced TM-026 as a major metabolite (Figure S14). The same result was also observed in the cultures of $\Delta ptmQ/\Delta ptmH +$ $\Delta ptmI$ and $\Delta ptmQ/\Delta ptmH + \Delta ptmS$, indicating that both PtmI and PtmS do not play a role in 6-MSA attachment. Altogether, the results show that PtmR is responsible for a direct transfer of the 6-MSA moiety from the iterative type I PKS PtmQ to the aminocyclopentitol unit in pactamycin biosynthesis (Figure 3.3).

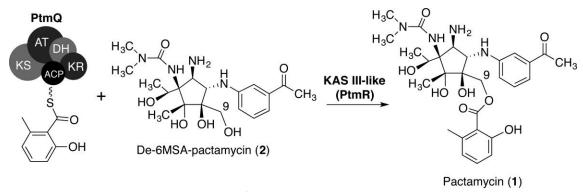


Figure 3.3. Proposed catalytic activity of PtmR.

The fact that PtmR not only processes de-6-MSApactamycin but also de-6-MSA-7-deoxypactamycin, de-6-MSA pactamycate, and TM-025 indicates that it has relaxed substrate specificity in regard to the aminocyclitol moiety. To explore if PtmR can also transfer acyl groups other than 6-MSA, we synthesized an additional 13 NAC thioesters with a variety of alkyl and aromatic features ranging from acetyl-SNAC to 3aminobenzoyl-SNAC to cycloheptanecarbonyl SNAC (Table 1) and incubated them with TM-025 and a cell-free extract of *E. coli* containing PtmR. ESI-MS analysis of the enzymatic reactions revealed the ability of PtmR to use all 13 NAC thioesters, resulting in a suite of new pactamycin analogs with diverse functionalities (Table 3.1 and Figures S10, S15–S17).Parallel experiments with benzoyl-CoA, acetyl-CoA, propionyl-CoA, and butyryl-CoA did not give any products (Figure S18), indicating that PtmR does not recognize CoA esters as substrates. Scaled-up enzymatic reactions using 4-chlorobutyryl-SNAC furnished TM-107, whose complete chemical structure was determined by 1D and 2D NMR spectroscopic data (Figures S48–S52). The ability of PtmR to utilize a broad range of substrates is somewhat surprising, as so far KAS III-like proteins, e.g., CloN2, ChIB6, CalO4, AviN, and Evrl, have only been associated with the transfer of an aryl or pyrrolylcarbonyl group to a sugar moiety. A phylogenetic analysis of PtmR and homologous proteins showed that PtmR falls within a clade of KAS III-like enzymes, but it forms a separate subclade together with a number of hypothetical proteins from *Streptomyces niveiscabiei* NRRL B-24457, *Streptomyces acidizcabies* 84–104, and *Streptomyces sp.* DSM 15324 (Figure S19). Genome mining studies revealed that these genes are part of gene clusters that resemble the pactamycin cluster of *S. pactum.* Similar to *ptmR*, they are also located next to a gene encoding an iterative type I PKS (6-MSA synthase). Therefore, we predict that the encoding proteins are also responsible for the attachment of 6-MSA or its analogs to the corresponding natural products.

In conclusion, the present work showed that a highly promiscuous KAS III-like enzyme is responsible for the attachment of 6-MSA directly from an iterative type I PKS to an aminocyclopentitol unit in pactamycin biosynthesis. The results also serve as a starting point for the development of KAS III-like proteins as versatile tools for creation of new libraries of complex natural products.

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TM-025	бн		ö		R
R	Product	HR ESI-M	AS (m/z)	Mol.	Relative
		Calcd	Observed	Formula	Conversion ^a
ţ,	TM-026	529.2657 $[M+H]^+$	529.2664 [M+H] ⁺	$C_{27}H_{36}N_4O_7\\$	100%
	TM-104	437.2395 [M+Na] ⁺	437.2396 M+Na] ⁺	$C_{21}H_{32}N_4O_6$	71%
	TM-105	473.2371 [M+Na] ⁺	473.2383 [M+Na] ⁺	$C_{22}H_{34}N_4O_6$	87%
\sim	TM-106	465.2708 [M+H] ⁺	465.2718 [M+H] ⁺	$C_{23}H_{36}N_4O_6$	91%
CI	TM-107	499.2318 [M+H] ⁺	499.2327 [M+H] ⁺	C23H35CIN4O6	100%
O d d d	TM-108	465.2708 $[M+H]^+$	465.2718 [M+H] ⁺	$C_{23}H_{36}N_4O_6$	83%
LL,	TM-109	479.2864 $[M+H]^+$	479.2874 [M+H] ⁺	$C_{24}H_{38}N_4O_6$	61%
$\gamma \gamma \dot{\gamma}$	f TM-110	505.3021 [M+H] ⁺	505.3025 $[M+H]^+$	$C_{26}H_{40}N_4O_6$	44%
\sim	TM-111	479.2864 $[M+H]^+$	479.2872 [M+H] ⁺	$C_{24}H_{38}N_4O_6$	20%
j.	TM-112	499.2551 [M+H] ⁺	499.2558 [M+H] ⁺	$C_{26}H_{34}N_4O_6$	43%
H ₂ N	TM-113	514.2660 [M+H] ⁺	514.2690 [M+H] ⁺	$C_{26}H_{35}N_5O_6$	17%
Qi,	, TM-114	513.2708 [M+H] ⁺	513.2738 [M+H] ⁺	$C_{27}H_{36}N_4O_6$	95%
,	, TM-115	505.3021 [M+H] ⁺	505.3022 [M+H] ⁺	$C_{26}H_{40}N_4O_6$	57%
	TM-116	519.3177 $[M+H]^+$	519.3182 [M+H] ⁺	$C_{27}H_{42}N_4O_6$	87%

Table 3.1. Conversion of TM-025 to various pactamycin analogs

^{*a*}Based on relative intensity of (+)-ESI-MS substrate (m/z 395) and observed product peak.

METHODS

Construction of *AptmR* and *AptmH/AptmR* Mutant Strains. The target genes were inactivated using a gene in-frame deletion strategy (Figure S3). Two ~ 1 kb PCR fragments upstream (HindIII/EcoRI) and downstream (EcoRI/XbaI) of the ptmR gene were fused and cloned into the HindIII/Xbal site of pBluescript II SK(-) vector to generate pTMM056 (Table S2). The fused PCR fragment was excised and cloned into the HindIII/Xbal site of pTMN002 to generate pTMM057. The plasmid was then introduced into the wildtype, and the Δptm H mutant strains of S. pactum ATCC 27456 by conjugation using E. coli ET12567/pUZ8002 as a donor strain. Apramycin resistant strains representing single crossover mutants were obtained and grown on BTT [glucose (1%), yeast extract (0.1%), beef extract (0.1%), casein hydrolysate (0.2%), agar (1.5%), pH 7.4] agar plates containing apramycin (50 μg mL⁻¹). Subsequently, apramycin sensitive colonies were counterselected by replica plating on BTT agar with and without apramycin (50 μ g mL⁻¹). The resulting double crossover candidate strains were confirmed by PCR amplification with ptmR-F1 and ptmR-R2 primers (Table S3) flanking the respective targeted gene (Figure S3).

Complementation of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmR$ **Mutant**. For complementation of the $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmR$ mutant, the ptmR gene was amplified by PCR using the primers PtmRpET-F and PtmR-C-R (Table S3). The PCR products were digested with BglII and EcoRI and ligated into the BamHI/EcoRI sites of the cloning vector pBluescript II SK(–) to generate pTMM058. DNA sequencing confirmed the correct sequence of the construct. The resulting plasmid was digested with NdeI/EcoRI, and the DNA fragment was ligated into the integration vector pTMW50, predigested with the same restriction enzymes, to generate pTMM059. The pTMM059 plasmid was then transferred into E. coli ET12567/pUZ8002, which was subsequently used to transform the Δptm H strain by conjugation.¹⁶ Selection of the exconjugants (Δptm H/ Δptm R mutants) was performed on BTT agar containing apramycin (50 µg mL⁻¹) and ampicillin (100 µg mL⁻¹).

Analysis of $\Delta ptmR$, $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmR$, and $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmR + pTMM059$ Metabolic Profiles. The $\Delta ptmR$, $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmR$, and $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmR + pTMM059$ strains were grown on BTT agar at 30°C for 3 days. Single colonies were used to inoculate the BTT seed cultures [medium for $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmR + pTMM059$ was supplemented with apramycin (10 µg mL⁻¹) and ampicillin (20 µg mL⁻¹)] and incubated at 30 °C for 2 days. Production cultures were prepared in modified Bennett's medium (50 mL)¹² and inoculated with seed cultures [10% (v/v)]. The production cultures were incubated at 30 °C for 5 days under vigorous shaking (200 rpm). The mycelia were centrifuged, and the supernatants were extracted twice with equal volumes of EtOAc followed by extraction with *n*-BuOH. The organic solvent from each extraction was evaporated *in vacuo* and the residues dissolved in MeOH and analyzed by reversed-phase HPLC and/or ESI-MS. Analysis of the metabolites of the mutants and those complemented with ptmR was carried out by reversedphase HPLC with a C-18 column (Supelcosil LC-18-DB 15 cm × 4.6 cm, 5 μ m) using H₂O [95% (v/v)] and CH₃CN [5% (v/v)] containing TFA [0.1% (v/v)] as a mobile phase at a 1 mL min⁻¹ flow rate.

Construction of $\Delta ptml$, $\Delta ptmO$, and $\Delta ptmS$ Mutant Strains. The target genes were inactivated using a gene in-frame deletion strategy (Figure S3a).

Construction of ptmK::aac(3)IV Mutant. The ptmK gene (1.7kb) was inactivated using a gene disruption strategy (Figure S3b).

Feeding Experiments with 6-MSA to $\Delta ptmQ$ and $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmQ$ Mutants. The $\Delta ptmQ$ and $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmQ$ mutants were streaked on BTT agar [glucose (1% (w/v)), yeast extract (0.1% (w/v)), beef extract (0.1% (w/v)), casein hydrolysate (0.2% (w/v)), agar (1.5% (w/v)), pH 7.3] and incubated at 30 °C for 3 days. Spores of the $\Delta ptmQ$ and $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmQ$ mutants were individually grown in two Erlenmeyer flasks (125 mL) containing seed medium [glucose (1% (w/v)), yeast extract (0.1% (w/v)), beef extract (0.1% (w/v)), casein hydrolysate (0.2% (w/v)), pH 7.3; 50 mL] for 3 days at 30 °C and 200 rpm. Each of these seed cultures (10 mL) was used to inoculate four Erlenmeyer flasks (250 mL) containing modified Bennett's medium (100 mL). After incubation for 18 h under the same conditions, the cultures were grouped into two groups: the first group was supplemented with 6-MSA (5 mM, 250 µL), and the second group was used as a control.

The feeding was repeated every 12 h for 2 days. All experiments were done in triplicate. After 5 days of incubation, the cultures were centrifuged. The metabolites of each group were extracted with ethyl acetate (2×100 mL). The organic solvent was evaporated using a rotary evaporator, and the products were analyzed by MS.

Coculture Experiments. For details on coculture experiments with $\Delta ptmJ$, $\Delta ptmI$, $\Delta ptmS$, and $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmQ$ mutants, see the Supporting Information.

Production of PtmR. The *ptmR* gene was amplified using primer pairs PtmR-pET-F and PtmR-pET-R (Table S3). High fidelity Taq DNA polymerase (Invitrogen) was used for PCR, and the resulting 1.0-kb PCR product was cloned into the pET-20b(+) vector (Novagen) to generate expression vector pTMM060, which was introduced into E. coli BL21(DE3) pLysS (Invitrogen). For protein production, the bacteria were grown in LB medium supplemented with ampicillin (100 µg mL–1) and chloramphenicol (25 µg mL⁻¹) at 30 °C with shaking at 250 rpm until an OD600 of 0.8–1 was reached. The culture was shaken at 16 °C for 1 h. Protein expression was induced by the addition of IPTG (0.5 mM) with further cultivation for 36 h. The cells were harvested by centrifugation and resuspended in so-dium phosphate buffer (40 mM, pH 7.5) containing NaCl (300 mM) and imidazole (10 mM) and then disrupted by sonication. After centrifugation of the sample, the supernatamt was directly loaded onto a Ni-NTA spin column (Qiagen). The recombinant PtmR

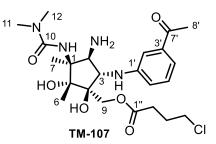
and imidazole (250 mM). The PtmR-containing fractions were dialyzed (3 times, 5 h each) in 1 L of solution containing sodium phosphate buffer (20 mM, pH 7), MgCl₂ (10 mM), glycerol (10% (w/ v)), and dithiothreitol (0.5 mM) at 4 °C.

Acyltransferase Assay: The acyltransferase reaction was typically carried out in 50 μL mixtures containing TM-25 or de-6-MSApactamycin (1 mM), NAC thioester (2 mM), purified PtmR or a cell free extract of *E. coli* containing PtmR (47 μL), and MgCl2 (10 mM) in sodium phosphate buffer (50 mM, pH 7.5). Boiled protein or cell free extract of empty pET-20b(+) was used as a negative control. The reaction was incubated at 30 °C. After 4 h, the reaction was quenched by the addition of one volume of MeOH, centrifuged at 14 000 rpm for 15 min, and the supernatants were analyzed by reversed-phase HPLC and/or ESI-MS.

Scaled-up Enzymatic Reaction and Isolation of TM-107: Scaled-up enzymatic reactions (100 μ L × 100, 10 mL total) were carried out using the cell free extract of *E. coli* containing PtmR in sodium phosphate buffer (40 mM, pH 7.5, contains 10 mM MgCl₂ and 10% (w/v) glycerol), TM-025 (1 mM), and 4-chlorobutyryl- SNAC (2 mM). The mixtures were incubated at 30 °C for 3 h. The reactions were then quenched by the addition of one volume of MeOH and centrifuged at 14 000 rpm for 15 min. The supernatants were pooled and subjected to rotary evaporator to remove MeOH, and the aqueous mixture was extracted twice with two volumes of EtOAc. The EtOAc extract was dried in vacuo, and the residue was dissolved in MeOH (400 μ L) and subjected to reverse-phase HPLC (YMC-Pack ODS-A, 250 × 10 mm I.D., 5 μ m; solvent gradient: CH₃CN-H₂O (5:95) to

CH₃CN (100%) containing TFA [0.1% (v/v)] over 60 min, flow rate 4.7 mL min⁻¹, detection at 254 nm) to give TM-107 (1.2 mg). TM-107. A white powder, $[\alpha]D = +37^{\circ}$ (c 0.267, MeOH, 20 °C). UV (MeOH): λ max 240 nm (ϵ 1.6 × 103), 264 nm (ϵ 4.65 × 102), and 354 nm (ϵ 24.4). IR (KBr, MeOH): v = 3359, 2919, 2856, 1679, 1536, 1483, 1206, and 1138 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (700 MHz, CD₃OD) ¹³CNMR (175 MHz, CD₃OD):

Table 3.2. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR shifts for TM107



position	δ _H (ppm) int., multipl. (Hz)	δ _c (ppm)
2'	7.36 (1H, m)	111.3
4′	7.32 (1H, m)	117.5
51	7.29 (1H, t, 8)	129.0
6′	7.03 (1H, m)	118.0
NH	6.64 (1H, brs)	-
9	4.31 (2H, q, 12)	64.6
3	4.14 (1H, d, 9)	65.3
2	3.73 (1H, d, 9)	64.0
4''	3.45 (2H, m)	43.4
11, 12	2.98 (6H, s)	35.4
8'	2.59 (3H, s)	25.5
2''	2.22 (1H, m); 1.94 (1H, m)	30.3
311	1.8 (2H, m)	27.2
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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

A Highly Promiscuous &-Ketoacyl-ACP Synthase (KAS) III-like Proteinis Involved in Pactamycin Biosynthesis

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Supporting methods

General. All chemicals were obtained either from Sigma Aldrich, EMD, TCI, or Pharmacia. Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using silica gel plates (60 Å), which were visualized using a UV lamp and ceric ammonium molybdate (CAM) solution. Chromatographic purification of products was performed on silica gel (60 Å, 72– 230 mesh). NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker 400, 500, or 700 MHz spectrometers. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm (δ) relative to the residual solvent signals as the internal standard. Multiplicities in the ¹H NMR spectra are described as follows: s = singlet, bs = broad singlet, d = doublet, bd = broad doublet, t = triplet, bt = broad triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet; coupling constants are reported in Hz. (ESI) mass spectra were recorded on a Thermo-Finnigan liquid chromatograph-ion trap mass spectrometer. High-resolution ESI mass spectra were recorded on a ThermoElectron LTQ-Orbitrap Discovery mass spectrometer with a dedicated Accela HPLC system. **General DNA manipulations.** Genomic DNA of *S. pactum* ATCC 27456 was prepared by standard protocol1 or using the DNeasy Tissue Kit (Qiagen). DNA fragments were recovered from an agarose gel by using the QIAquick Gel Extraction Kit (Qiagen). Restriction endonucleases were purchased from Invitrogen or Promega. Preparation of plasmid DNA was done by using a QIAprep Spin Miniprep Kit (Qiagen). All other DNA manipulations were performed according to standard protocols.^{1,2} PCR was performed in 30 cycles by using a Mastercycler gradient thermocycler (Eppendorf) and Platinum *Taq* high fidelity DNA polymerase (Invitrogen). Oligodeoxyribonucleotides for PCR primers were synthesized by Sigma-Genosys. The nucleotide sequences of the gene fragments were determined at the Center for Genome Research and Biocomputing (CGRB) Core Laboratories, Oregon State University. ORFs were analyzed by FramePlot3 analysis and BLAST program.⁴

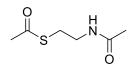
Construction of Δ*ptm***I, Δ***ptm***O, and Δ***ptm***S mutant strains. The target genes were inactivated using a gene in-frame deletion strategy (Figure S3a). Two ~1 kb PCR fragments upstream (HindIII/EcoRI) and downstream (EcoRI/XbaI) of the** *ptml, ptmO* **and** *ptmS* **genes were fused and cloned into the HindIII/XbaI site of pBluescript II SK(-) vector to generate pTMM051, pTMM007, and pTMM015, respectively. The PCR products of** *ptmI* **and** *ptmO* **were excised and cloned into the HindIII/XbaI site of pTMN002 to generate pTMM052, pTMM08, and pTMM016, respectively. All plasmids were then individually introduced into** *S. pactum* **ATCC 27456 strain by conjugation using the** *E. coli* **donor** strain ET12567/pUZ8002. Apramycin resistant strains representing single crossover mutants were obtained and subsequently grown on BTT agar plates containing apramycin (50 μg mL⁻¹). Apramycin sensitive colonies were counter-selected by replica plating on BTT agar with and without apramycin (50 μg mL⁻¹). The resulting double-crossover candidate strains were confirmed by PCRamplification with HindIII/Xbal primers flanking the respective targeted gene.

Construction of *ptmK::aac(3)IV* **mutant.** The *ptmK* gene (1.7 kb) was inactivated using a gene disruption strategy (Figure S3b). The internal fragment (0.88 kb) of *ptmK* was generated by PCR using a forward primer containing a HindIII site and a reverse primer containing an Xbal site and *S. pactum* genomic DNA as template. The PCR product was cloned into the HindIII/Xbal sites of pTMN002 to generate pTMM055. Plasmid pTMM055 was introduced into *S. pactum* strain by conjugation, as described in our previous publication.5 Briefly, the freshly harvested spores and the overnight-grown *Escherichia coli* ET12567/pUZ8002 containing plasmid pTMM055 were mixed and plated onto an MS agar plate containing 10 mM MgCl2 (10 mM). After incubation at 30 °C for 18 h, the plate was overlaid with sterile water (1 mL) containing nalidixic acid (1mg mL⁻¹) and apramycin (1 mg mL⁻¹) and incubated at 30 °C for 5-7 days. The exconjugant (single crossover) colonies were purified by plating on BTT agar plates supplemented with apramycin (50 μg mL⁻¹). The disruption of *ptmK* was confirmed by PCR amplification (Figure S3).

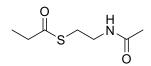
Co-culture experiments. The $\Delta ptmJ$, $\Delta ptmI$, $\Delta ptmS$, and $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmQ$ mutants were streaked on BTT agar [glucose (1%), yeast extract (0.1%), beef extract (0.1%), casein hydrolysate (0.2%), agar (1.5%), pH 7.3] and incubated at 30 °C for 3 days. Spores of the $\Delta ptmJ$, $\Delta ptmI$, $\Delta ptmS$ and $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmQ$ mutants were individually grown in Erlenmeyer flasks (125 mL) containing seed medium [glucose (1%), yeast extract (0.1%), beef extract (0.1%), casein hydrolysate (0.2%), pH 7.3] (50 mL) for 3 days at 30 °C and 200 rpm. The seed culture of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmQ$ mutant (5 mL each) was then transferred to 3 Erlenmeyer flasks (150 mL) containing modified Bennett's medium (50 mL), and to each of these cultures was added the seed culture (5 mL) of $\Delta ptmJ$, $\Delta ptmS$, or $\Delta ptmI$ individually and grown at 30 °C and 200 rpm. All experiments were done in triplicate. Each of the mutants was also grown individually in modified Bennett's medium (50 mL) as control. After five days of incubation, the cultures were centrifuged and the metabolites of each control and co-cultures were extracted from the broths with ethyl acetate (2 x 50 mL). The organic solvent was evaporated using rotary evaporator and the products were analyzed by ESI-MS.

Chemical synthesis of NAC thioesters. *S*-(2-acetamidoethyl) 2-hydroxy-6methylbenzothioate (6-MSA-SNAC): To 2-hydroxy-6-methyl-benzoic acid (100 mg, 0.66 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) was added HOBT (1.05 eq, 0.69 mmol, 92 mg), EDCI (1.05 eq, 0.69 mmol, 131 mg), HSNAc (1.4 eq, 0.92 mmol, 110 mg), then triethylamine (2 eq, 1.32 mmol, 133 mg) at 0 °C and stirred 18 h gradually reaching room temperature. The reaction was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) and washed successively with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL), H₂O (10 mL), 1M HCl (15 mL), then brine (5 mL). The organic fraction was then dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and the solvent removed *in vacuo*. The product was purified by flash column chromatography (Hexane – EtOAc = 6:1, 4:1) to give pure 6-MSA-SNAC (40 mg, 25%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.23 (br t, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 5.98 (brs, 1H), 3.58 (brq, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 3.24 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 2.00 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 197.7, 170.9, 157.9, 137.9, 133.3, 123. 5, 123.1, 115.7, 39.3, 29.8, 23.2, 22.8. HR ESI-MS: *m/z* 276.0667 [M+Na]⁺, calculated for C₁₂H₁₅NO₃SNa 276.0665.

Other NAC thioesters were synthesized using a standard procedure described above.

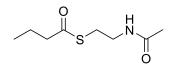


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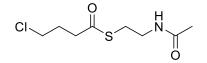


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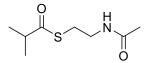
MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 200.8, 170.4, 39.7, 37.5, 28.4, 23.2, 9.6. HR-ESI-MS: calculated for C₇H₁₃NO₂SNa *m*/z 198.05592 [M+Na]⁺, found *m*/z 198.05628.



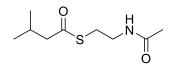
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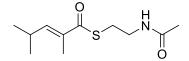
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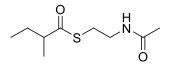
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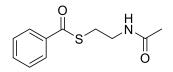
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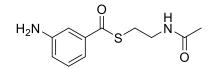
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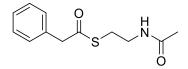
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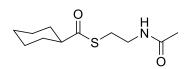
Benzoyl-SNAC: ¹H NMR (700 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.12 – 7.86 (m, 2H), 7.71 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.52 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 6.03 (s, 1H), 3.55 (brq, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 3.24 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 1.99 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 192.3, 170.5, 136.7, 133.8, 128.7, 127.3, 39.8, 28.6, 23.2. HR-ESI-MS: calculated for C₁₁H₁₃NO₂SNa *m/z* 246.05592 [M+Na]⁺, found *m/z* 246.05498.



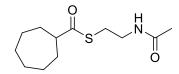
3-Aminobenzoyl-SNAC: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, d_6 -DMSO) δ 8.05 (brs, 1H), 7.22 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 7.07 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 5.66 (brs, 1H), 3.24 (brq, J = 6 Hz, 2H), 3.05 (t, J = 6 Hz, 2H), 1.78 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, d_6 -DMSO) $\delta = 191.2$, 169.2, 148.5, 137.2, 129.4, 119.4, 114.6, 111.8, 38.2, 28.1, 22.5. HR-ESI-MS: calculated for $C_{11}H_{14}N_2O_2SNa m/z$ 261.06682 [M+Na]⁺, found m/z 261.06675.



Phenylacetyl-SNAC: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.55 – 7.01 (m, 1H), 5.80 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 2H), 3.41 (brq, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 3.01 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 1.88 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 198.0, 170.3, 133.4, 129.5, 128.8, 127.6, 50.5, 39.5, 28.9, 23.1. HR-ESI-MS: calculated for C₁₂H₁₅NO₂SNa *m/z* 260.07157 [M+Na]⁺, found *m/z* 260.07188.



Cyclohexanecarboxylyl-SNAC: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 5.79 (br s, 1H), 3.43 (brq, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 3.04 – 2.98 (m, 2H), 2.51 (t, *J* = 12, 4 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (s, 3H), 1.94-1.88 (m, 2H), 1.82-1.76 (m, 2H), 1.70 – 1.63 (m, 1H), 1.45 (ddd, *J* = 24, 12, 3 Hz, 2H), 1.34 – 1.16 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 204.5, 170.3, 54.5, 39.8, 31.3, 28.2, 28.1, 26.4, 23.2. HR-ESI-MS: calculated for C₁₁H₁₉NO₂SNa *m/z* 252.10287 [M+Na]⁺, found *m/z* 252.10200.



Cycloheptanecarboxylyl-SNAC: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 5.79 (brs, 1H), 3.43 (brq, J = 6 Hz, 2H), 3.00 (t, J = 6 Hz, 2H), 2.71 – 2.60 (m, 1H), 1.96 (s, 3H), 1.94 – 1.89 (m, 2H), 1.76-1.70 (m, 2H), 1.68 – 1.61 (m, 2H), 1.60-1.40 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 204.5, 170.3, 54.6, 39.9, 31.4, 28.2, 28.2, 26.4, 23.2. HR-ESI-MS: calculated for C₁₂H₂₁NO₂SNa *m/z* 266.11852 [M+Na]⁺, found *m/z* 266.11771.

Supporting Tables

Table S1. Bacterial strains used in this study

Strains	Relevant genotype/comments	Source/Ref
Escherichia coli DH10B	F ⁻ mcrA Δ(mrr-hsdRMS- mcrBC)¢80lacZΔM15 ΔlacX74 recA1 endA1 araD139 Δ(ara, leu)7697 galU galK λ ⁻ rspL nupG	GibcoBRL
Escherichia coli BL21(DE3) pLysS	F ⁻ ompT hsdS _B (r _B ⁻ m _B ⁻) gal dcm (DE3) pLysS (CmR)	Promega
E. coli ET12567(pUZ8002)	dam dcm hsdS, pUZ8002	6
Streptomyces pactum ATCC 27456	Wild-type pactamycin producing strain	ATCC
S. pactum ∆ptmH	ptmH in-frame deletion mutant	5
S. pactum ∆ptmR	ptmR in-frame deletion mutant	This study
S. pactum AptmH/AptmR	in-frame deletion of <i>ptmR</i> in ∆ptmH	This study
∆ptmH/∆ptmR/TMM058	∆ptmH/∆ptmR mutant complemented with pTMM058	This study
S. pactum ∆ptmI	ptml in-frame deletion mutant	This study
S. pactum ∆ptmO	ptmO in-frame deletion mutant	This study
S. pactum ptmK::aac(3)IV	ptmK disruption mutant	This study
S. pactum ∆ptmS	ptmS disruption mutant	This study

Table S2.	Plasmids	used in	this study
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Plasmid	Description	Source/Ref
pBlueScript II SK(-)	ColE1-based phagemid vector with f1 (-) and pUC origins; T3, T7 and lac promoters; bla.	Stratagene
pET-20b(+)	f1 (-) and pBR322 origins; <i>pelB</i> ; T7 promoter; <i>bla</i> ; C- terminal histag.	Novagen
pTMN002	pJTU1278+ derivative containing a 1 kb aac(3)/V apramycin resistance cassette from pOJ446	7
pTMM007	Two 1 kb PCR fragments upstream and downstream of the ptmO gene in pBlueScript II SK(-)	This study
pTMW008	Two 1 kb PCR fragments upstream and downstream of the ptmO gene in pTMN002	This study
pTMW050	pTMX12b derivative containing PermE* promoter from pJTU695 and MCS	5
pTMM051	Two 1 kb PCR fragments upstream and downstream of the ptml gene in pBlueScript II SK(-)	This study
pTMM052	Two 1 kb PCR fragments upstream and downstream of the ptml gene in pTMN002	This study
pTMM015	Two 1 kb PCR fragments upstream and downstream of the ptmS gene in pBlueScript II SK(-)	This study
pTMM016	Two 1 kb PCR fragments upstream and downstream of the ptmS gene in pTMN002	This study
pTMM055	0.88 kb PCR fragment of the ptmK gene in pTMN002	This study
pTMM056	Two 1 kb PCR fragments upstream and downstream of the ptmR gene in pBlueScript II SK(-)	This study
pTMW057	Two 1 kb PCR fragments upstream and downstream of the ptmR gene in pTMN002	This study
pTMM058	pTMW050 containing complete structural gene of ptmR	This study
pTMN059	pBlueScrip II SK- containing complete structural gene of ptmR	This study
pTMN060	pET-20b(+) containing complete structural gene of ptmR	This study

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Primer	Sequence
ptml-F1	5'-CCCAAGCTTGCTGCAGACCATGGACGAAT-3'
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ptml-F2	5'-CCGGAATTCGTCCATCGTGTCGTCTCTCC-3'
ptml-R2	5'-GCTCTAGAAGGTGGTACGCGACCGTGTCCA-3'
ptmR-F1	5'-CCCAAGCTTACGCCTACGGGTTCGGGCTGT-3'
ptmR-R1	5'-CCGGAATTCTGTTCTCACTCTTCCGATGT-3'
ptmR-F2	5'-CCGGAATTCTGGTGAGCGCGGCCAAGGAC-3'
ptmR-R2	5'-TGCTCTAGATCGGTACGGCCGTCCTGGCT-3'
ptmR-pET-F	5'-GAAGATCTACATATGGTGAGAACACCGGGCATTTTCCT-3'
ptmR-pET-R	5'-CGCGGAATTCGCCCACGCGCCGCTC-3'
ptmR-C-R	5'-CGCGGGAATTCTCACCACGCGCCGCTCCCCT-3'
ptmS-F1	5'-CCCAAGCTTGTGTGGAGCAGGTCAGGTTC-3'
ptmS-R1	5'-CCGGAATTCGGCGGAGGTCATCCGAGTCC-3'
ptmS-F2	5'- CCGGAATTCCCGCTTCTGCCGGGAGCGTCT-3'
ptmS-R2	5'-TGCTCTAGAGCCAGGTGGTCGAGGTGGATG-3'
ptmO-F1	5'- CCCAAGCTTGAGCTGCTGGCGGTGAACAT-3'
ptmO-R1	5'-CCGGAATTCGCCGAGGTCGTACGGTTCCT-3'
ptmO-F2	5'-CCGGAATTCGCTCCATCTGTTCGACTGG-3'
ptmO-R2	5'-TGCTCTAGAACTGCAGGGTCGCGGGTTGC-3'
ptmK-F1	5'-CCCAAGCTTGATGGTGGTCTGCGAGGT-3'
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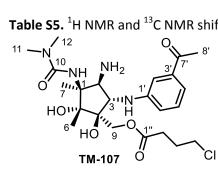
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Species	Accession number	Protein
Streptomyces pactum	A8R0K3_9ACTO	KASIII/ACP-Shuttle AT-like, PtmR
Streptomyces acidiscabies	WP_010359166	KASIII/ACP-Shuttle AT-like
Streptomyces niveiscabiei NRRL B- 24457	WP_055718178.1	Hypothetical protein/FabH
Streptomyces sp. DSM 15324	WP_067252534.1	Hypothetical protein
Streptomyces antibioticus	AFB35630	KASIII/ACP-Shuttle AT-like, EsmD1
Dactylosporangium aurantiacum subsp. hamdenensis	ADU85987.1	ACP-Shuttle AT, TiaF
Micromonospora echinospora	AAM70354.1	ACP-Shuttle AT CalO4
Nocardiopsis dassonvillei	ZP_04334033.1	ACP-Shuttle AT
Saccharopolyspora erythraea	YP_001107471.1	ACP-Shuttle AT
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Streptomyces antibioticus	AAZ77676.1	ACP-Shuttle AT, ChIB3
Streptomyces diastatochromogenes	ACN64832.1	ACP-Shuttle AT
Streptomyces rishiriensis	AAG29787.2	ACP-Shuttle AT
Streptomyces roseochromogenes	AAN65231.1	ACP-Shuttle AT, CloN2
Streptomyces sp. Tü6071	ABB69750.1	ACP-Shuttle AT
Streptomyces viridochromogenes Tü57	AF333038_20	ACP-Shuttle AT, AviN
Actinobacillus pleuropneumoniae	ZP_00134992.2	FabB
Citrobacter sp. 30_2	ZP_04562837.1	FabB
Escherichia coli	NP_416826.1	FabB
Shigella boydii	YP_001881145.1	FabB
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Escherichia coli	NP_415613.1	FabF
Staphylococcus aureus	NP_645683.1	FabF
Streptococcus pneumoniae	NP_344945.1	FabF
Thermus thermophilus	YP_143679.1	FabF
Streptomyces coelicolor	NP_626634.1	KAS III
Streptomyces echinatus	AAV84077.1	KAS III
Streptomyces glaucescens	Q54206.1	KAS III
Streptomyces griseus	AAQ08929.1	KAS III
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Streptomyces roseofulvus	AAC18104.1	KAS III
Streptomyces sp. A2991200	CAM58805.1	KAS III
Streptomyces sp. CM020	ACI88883.1	KAS III
Streptomyces sp. R1128	AAG30195.1	KAS III
Streptomyces antibioticus	AAZ77679.1	KAS III-like, ChIB6
Streptomyces galilaeus	AAF70109.1	KAS III-like
Streptomyces galilaeus	BAB72048.1	KAS III-like
Streptomyces peucetius	AAA65208.1	KAS III-like, EviR
Streptomyces sp. SPB74	WP_008748182.1	KAS III-like
Streptomyces tendae	AEI91069.1	KAS III -like, CerJ

Table S4. Sources and accession numbers of KAS III homologues

Escherichia coli	NP_415610.1	Malonyl-CoA-(ACP)-AT
Saccharopolyspora erythraea	YP_001102990.1	Type I PKS
Streptomyces antibioticus	AAF82408.1	Type I PKS
Streptomyces fradiae	AAB66504.1	Type I PKS
Streptomyces griseoruber	AAP85336.1	Type I PKS
Streptomyces nanchangensis	AAP42874.1	Type I PKS
Streptomyces sp. 307-9	ADC79637.1	Type I PKS
Streptomyces violaceusniger	ABJ97437.1	Type I PKS

Table S5. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR shifts for TM107



position	δ _H (ppm) int., multipl. (Hz)	δ _c (ppm)
2'	7.36 (1H, m)	111.3
4'	7.32 (1H, m)	117.5
51	7.29 (1H, t, 8)	129.0
6'	7.03 (1H, m)	118.0
NH	6.64 (1H, brs)	-
9	4.31 (2H, q, 12)	64.6
3	4.14 (1H, d, 9)	65.3
2	3.73 (1H, d, 9)	64.0
4‴	3.45 (2H, m)	43.4
11, 12	2.98 (6H, s)	35.4
8'	2.59 (3H, s)	25.5
2''	2.22 (1H, m); 1.94 (1H, m)	30.3
3''	1.8 (2H, m)	27.2
7	1.66 (3H, s)	13.5
6	1.42 (3H, s)	14.9
7'	-	200.1
10	-	159.2
1″	-	172.8
3'	-	137.9
1'	-	149.0
5	-	81.3
4	-	82.1
1	-	65.1

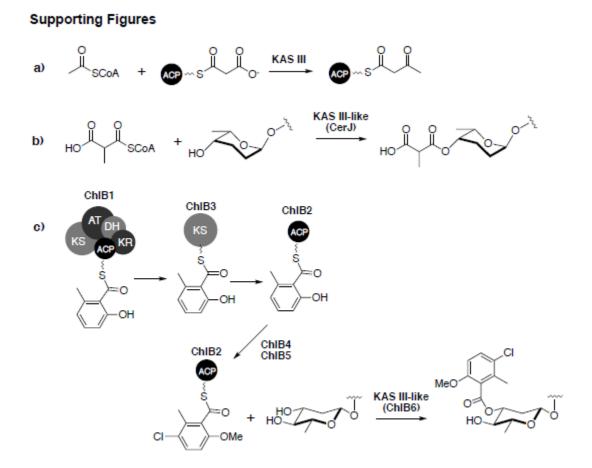
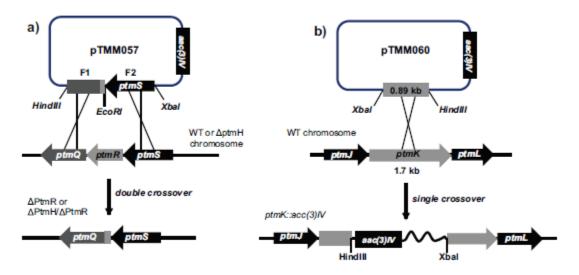
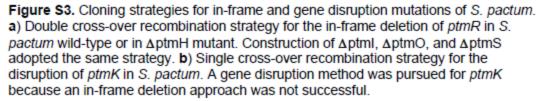


Figure S1. Distinct catalytic activities of KAS III and KAS III-like proteins. Only partial structures of the cervimycins and chlorothricin are shown.



Figure S2. Genetic organization of the pactamycin biosynthetic gene cluster. *ptml*, *ptmK*, *ptmO*, *ptmR*, and *ptmS* (red arrows) are genes being knocked out in this study.





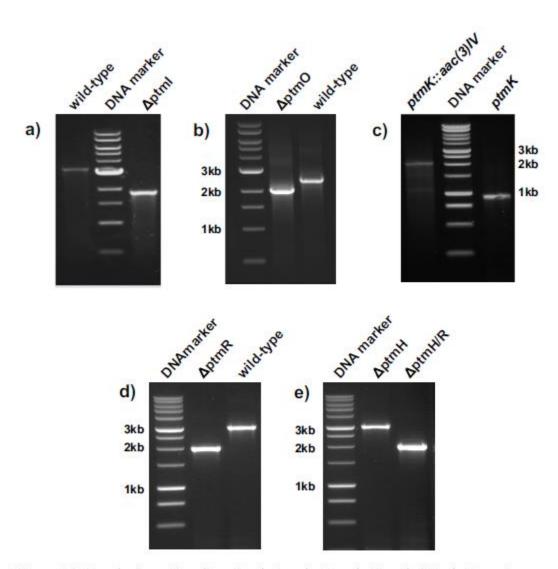


Figure S4. Genotypic confirmation of Δptml, ΔptmO, ΔptmR, ΔptmH/ΔptmR, and *ptmK::aac(3)/V* mutants by PCR. **a.** DNA gel electrophoresis of PCR product of Δptml. **b.** DNA gel electrophoresis of PCR product of ΔptmO. **b.** DNA gel electrophoresis of PCR product of ΔptmC. **b.** DNA gel electrophoresis of PCR product of ΔptmR. **e.** DNA gel electrophoresis of PCR product of ΔptmR. **e.** DNA gel electrophoresis of PCR product of ΔptmR.

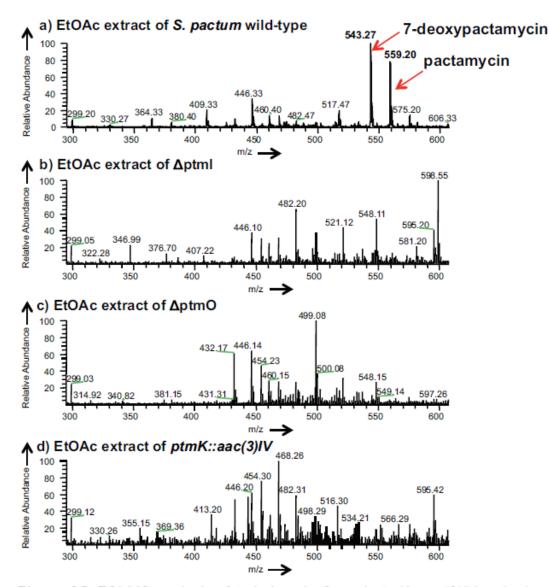


Figure S5. ESI-MS analysis of Δ ptmI, Δ ptmO, and *ptmK*::*aac*(3)/V mutants.

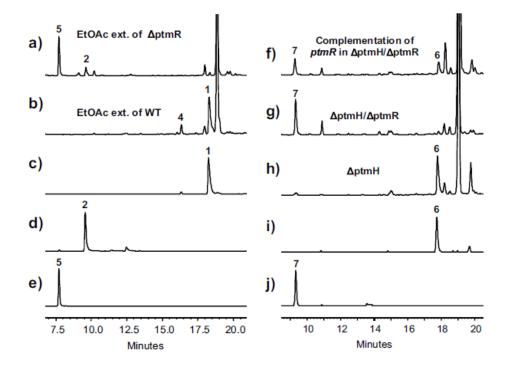


Figure S6. HPLC analyses of ΔptmR and ΔptmH/ΔptmR mutant strains of *S. pactum.* **a**, EtOAc extract of ΔptmR. **b**, EtOAc extract of wild-type. **c**, pactamycin standard. **d**, de-6MSA-pactamycin standard. **e**, de-6MSA-pactamycate standard. **f**, EtOAc extract of ΔptmH/ΔptmR complemented with intact *ptmR*. **g**, EtOAc extract of ΔptmH/ΔptmR. **h**, EtOAc extract of ΔptmH. **i**, TM-026 standard. **j**, TM-025 standard.

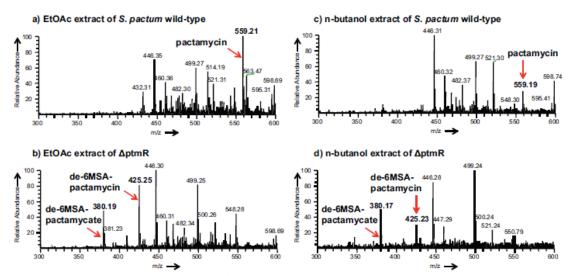


Figure S7. ESI-MS analysis of Δ ptmR mutant. a. EtOAc extract of a culture of *S*. pactum wild-type. b. EtOAc extract of a culture of Δ ptmR mutant. c. Butanol extract of a culture of *S*. pactum wild-type. d. Butanol extract of a culture of Δ ptmR mutant.

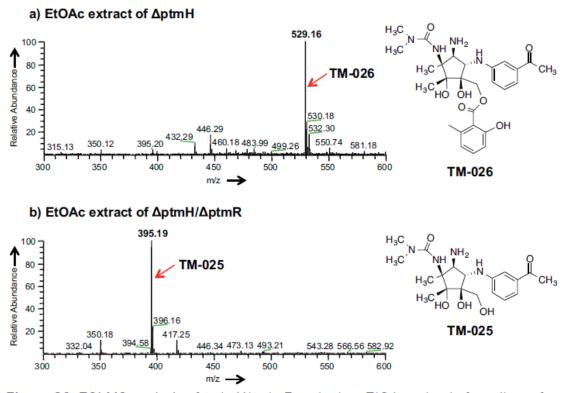


Figure S8. ESI-MS analysis of Δ ptmH/ Δ ptmR mutant. **a**, EtOAc extract of a culture of Δ ptmH mutant, which produces TM-026 (*m*/*z* 529). **b**, EtOAc extract of a culture of Δ ptmH/ Δ ptmR double mutant.

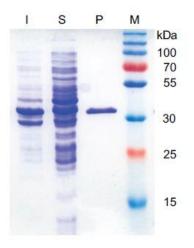


Figure S9. SDS PAGE of purified PtmR. I, insoluble proteins; S, soluble proteins (cell free extract); P, purified PtmR, M, protein marker.

a) pET-20b(+) + de-6MSA-pactamycin + 6MSA-SNAC

e) pET-20b(+) + TM-025 + 6MSA-SNAC

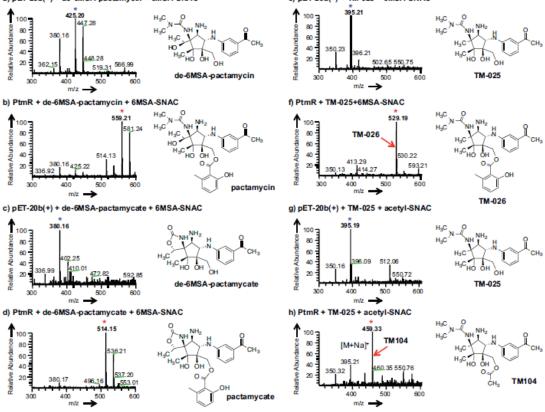


Figure S10. ESI-MS spectra of de-6MSA-pactamycin, de-6MSA-pactamycate, and TM-025 incubated with cell free extracts of cultures of *E. coli* harboring empty vector pET-20b(+) and that harboring *ptmR* in the presence of 6MSA-SNAC or acetyI-SNAC. Blue stars represent the substrates and red stars represent the products.

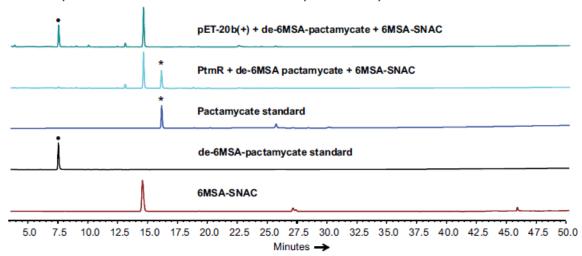


Figure S11. HPLC profile of PtmR enzymatic reaction using de-6MSA-pactamycate and 6MSA-SNAC. Filled circles represent de-6MSA-pactamycate and stars represent pactamycate.

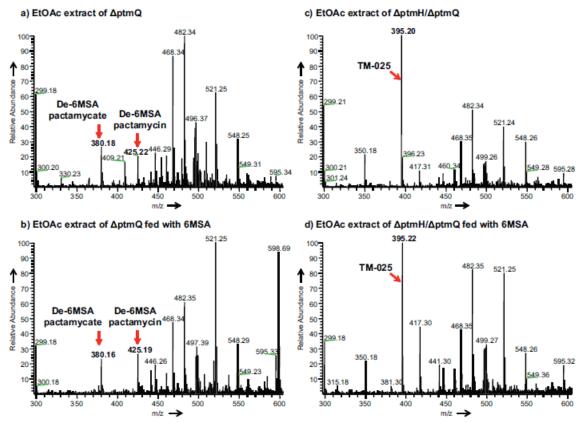


Figure S12. Feeding experiments with 6MSA to the $\Delta ptmQ$ and $\Delta ptmQ/\Delta ptmH$ strains of *S. pactum.* **a**, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmQ$. **b**, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmQ$ fed with 6MSA. **c**, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmQ/\Delta ptmH$. **d**, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmQ/\Delta ptmH$. **d**, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmQ/\Delta ptmH$ fed with 6MSA.

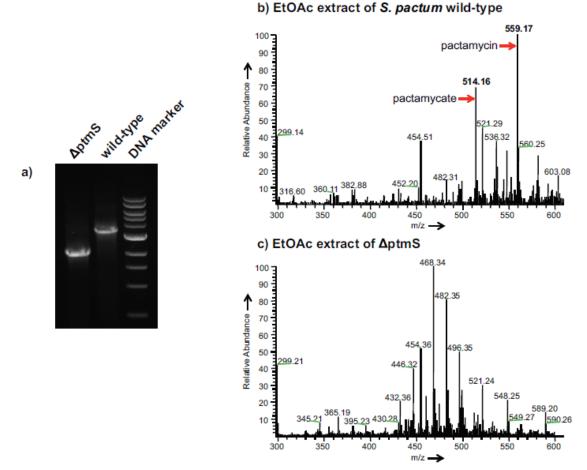


Figure S13. Genotypic and phenotypic analyses of $\Delta ptmS$. **a**, DNA gel electrophoresis of PCR product of $\Delta ptmS$. **b**, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of *S. pactum* wild-type. **c**, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmS$.

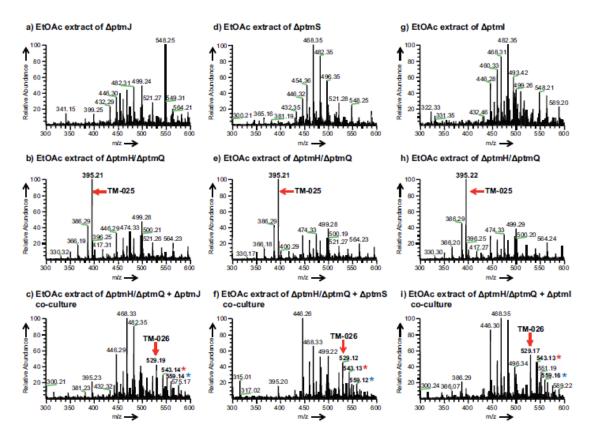


Figure S14. ESI-MS analysis of co-culture products. a, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmJ$. b, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmQ$. c, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmQ$ + $\Delta ptmJ$ co-culture. d, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmS$. e, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmQ$. f, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmS$. e, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmQ$. f, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmQ$. h, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmQ$. i, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmI$. h, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmQ$. i, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmI$. h, ESI-MS spectrum of EtOAc extract of $\Delta ptmH/\Delta ptmQ$. indicates 7-deoxypactamycin, blue star indicates pactamycin. The production of 7-deoxypactamycin and pactamycin suggests that to some extent TM-025 and/or TM-026 are also modified by a radical SAM-dependent methyltransferase and a hydroxylase in the $\Delta ptmJ$ strain.

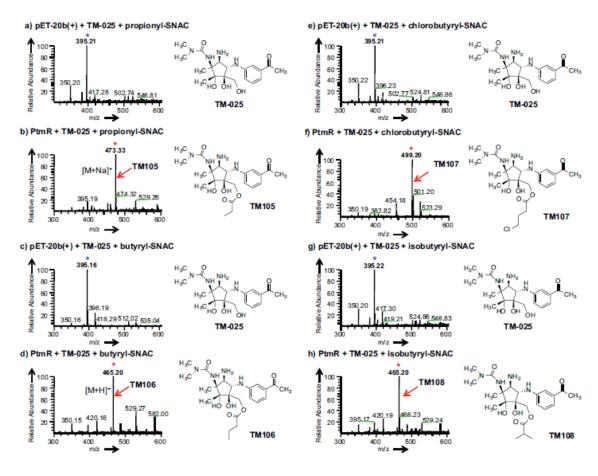


Figure S15. ESI-MS spectra of TM-025 incubated with cell free extracts of cultures of *E. coli* harboring empty vector pET-20b(+) and that harboring *ptmR* in the presence of propionyl-, butyryl-, chlorobutyryl-, or isobutyryl-SNAC. Blue stars represent the substrates and red stars represent the products.

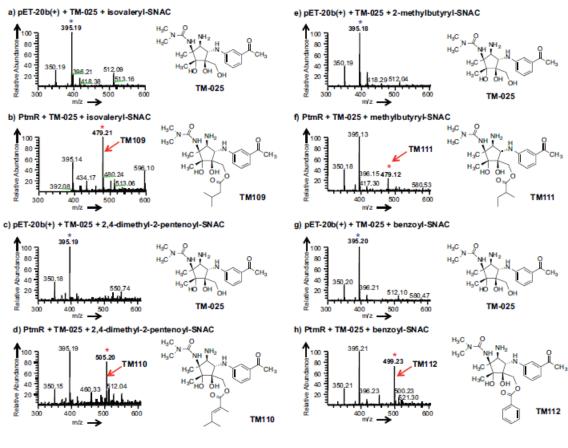
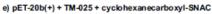


Figure S16. ESI-MS spectra of TM-025 incubated with cell free extracts of cultures of *E. coli* harboring empty vector pET-20b(+) and that harboring *ptmR* in the presence of isovaleryl-, 2,4-dimethyl-2-pentenoyl-, 2-methylbutyryl-, or benzoyl-SNAC. Blue stars represent the substrates and red stars represent the products.

a) pET-20b(+) + TM-025 + 3-aminobenzoyl-SNAC



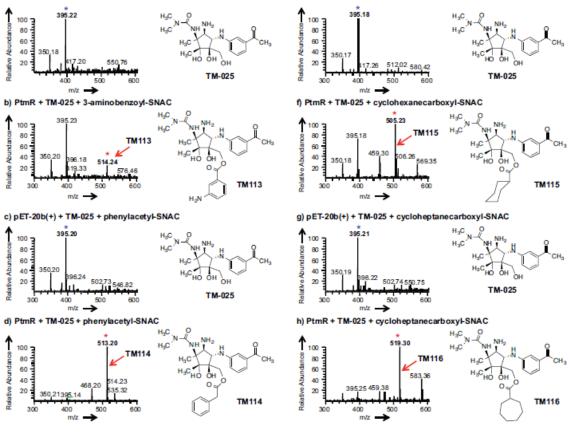


Figure S17. ESI-MS spectra of TM-025 incubated with cell free extracts of cultures of *E. coli* harboring empty vector pET-20b(+) and that harboring *ptmR* in the presence of 3-aminobenzoyl-, phenylacetyl-, cyclohexanecarbonyl-, or cycloheptanecarbonyl-SNAC. Blue stars represent the substrates and red stars represent the products.

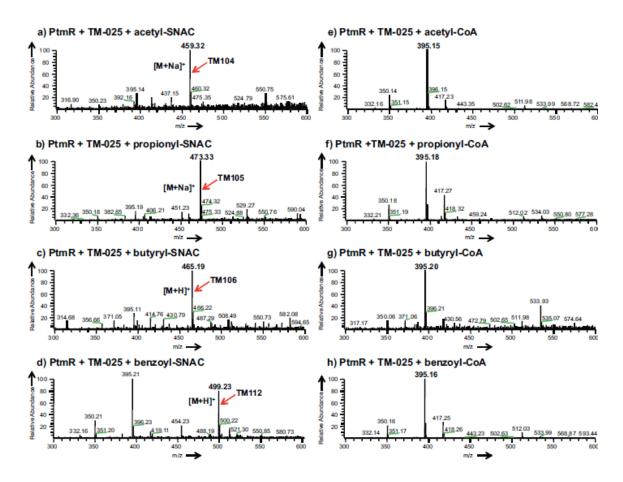


Figure S18. ESI-MS spectra of TM-025 (m/z 395) incubated with cell free extracts of cultures of *E. coli* harboring empty vector pET-20b(+) and that harboring *ptmR* in the presence of NAC and CoA esters of acetate, propionate, butyrate, and benzoate.

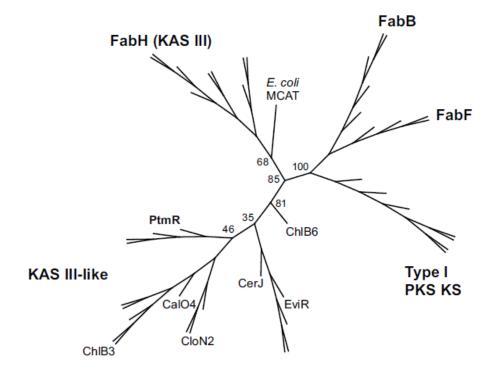
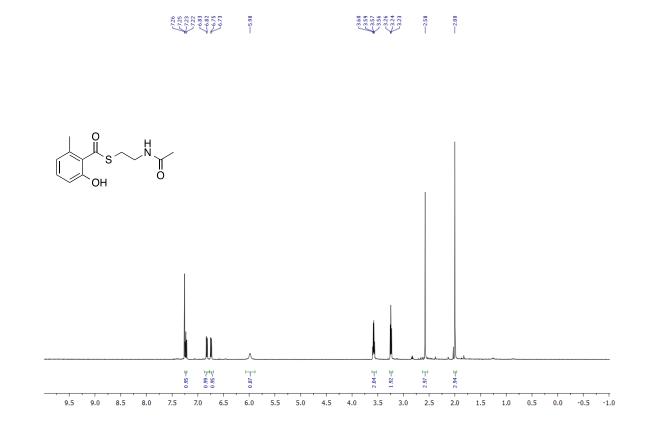


Figure S19. Phylogenetic analysis of PtmR and homologous proteins. Full-length amino acid sequences were aligned with MUSCLE and the best protein model was determined by RaxML (WAG+G).^{8, 9} RaxML was then used to build the phylogenetic tree. Computations were performed on the CGRB servers. The source and accession number of the proteins are listed in Table S4.

Figure S20. ¹H NMR Spectrum of 6-MSA-SNAC.



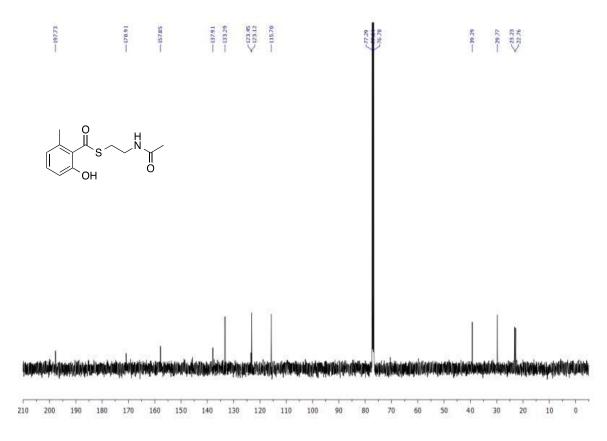


Figure S21. ¹³C NMR Spectrum of 6-MSA-SNAC.

Figures S22–S47 (¹H and ¹³C NMR data for SNAC compounds; See Appendix B page 212)

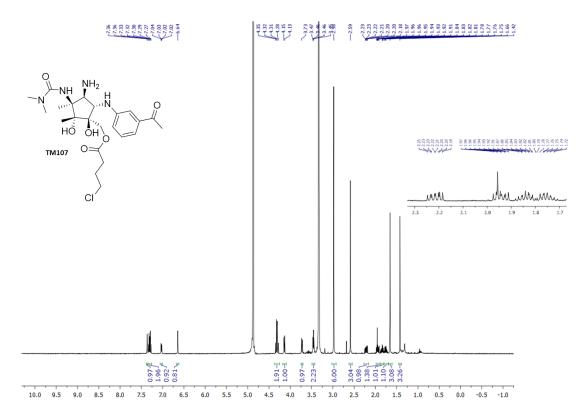


Figure S48. ¹H NMR (MeOD) spectrum of TM107

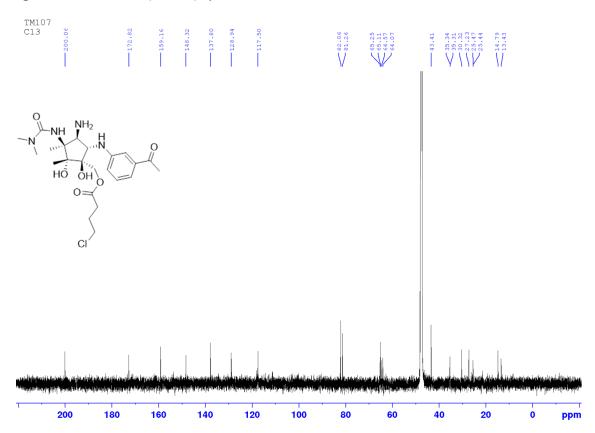


Figure S49. ¹³C NMR (MeOD) spectrum TM107

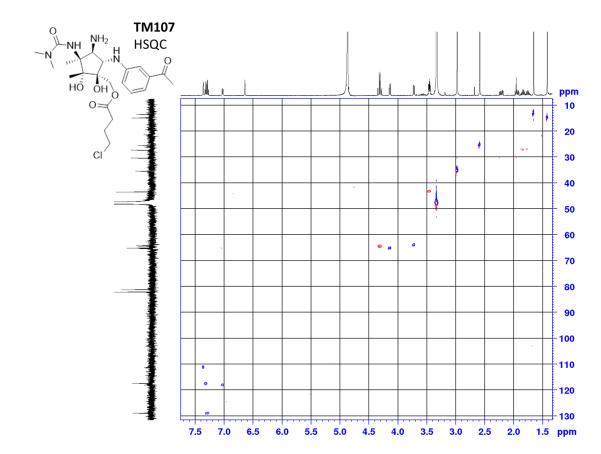


Figure S50. HSQC (MeOD) spectrum of TM-107.

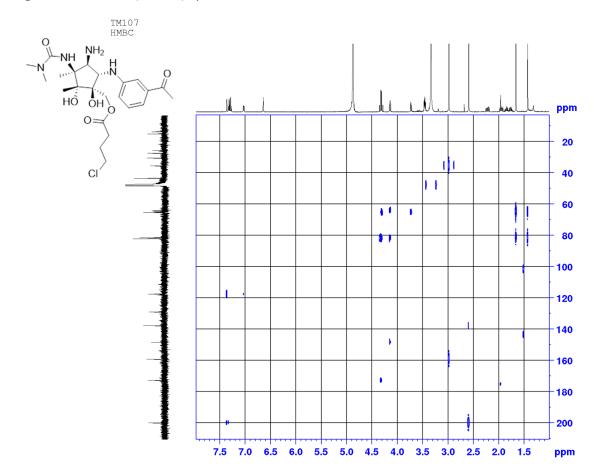


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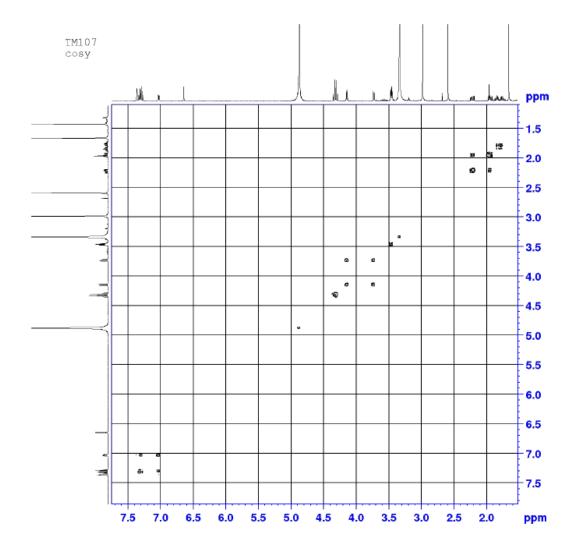


Figure S52. COSY (MeOD) spectrum of TM-107.

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Chapter 4. Asymmetric Total Synthesis of a Pactamycin-Inspired Aminocyclopentitol Using a Sml₂ Mediated Imino-Pinacol Coupling Strategy Natural products continue to play a vital role in drug discovery. Approximately two-thirds of small molecule pharmaceuticals currently on the market are natural products or derived from natural product structures.¹ Pactamycin (1) is a potent antitumor antibiotic produced by the soil bacterium *Streptomyces pactum,* originally isolated in the 1960s.² The pronounced biological activity displayed by pactamycin

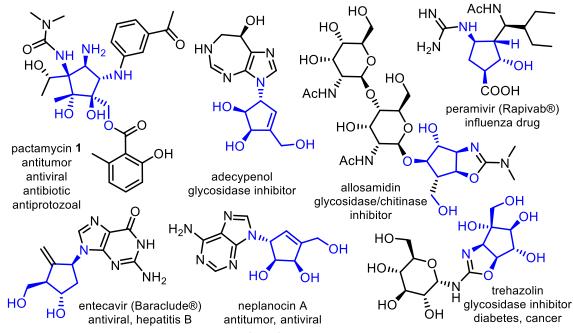


Figure 4.1. Bioactive aminocyclopentitol (blue) units in natural products and clinically used drugs

spans across all three phylogenetic domains.^{2,3,4,5} Pactamycin is an aminocyclopentitol natural product, a family of microbial secondary metabolites of rich bioactivity whose structures derive from carbohydrates (Figure 4.1).⁶ Aminocyclopentitols cover a broad swath of biological activity some of which include glycosidase inhibitors, antitumor, antibacterial and antiviral agents.

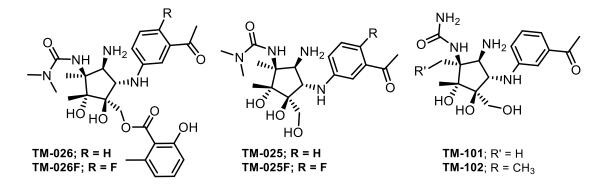


Figure 4.2. Biosynthetically modified pactamycin congeners

Unfortunately the indiscriminate cytotoxicity of pactamycin towards mammalian cells has suppressed its development toward therapeutic application. Nevertheless, we believe pactamycin is a wellspring of promising biological activity that is waiting to be harnessed. Accordingly, we have demonstrated, through biosynthetic manipulations, production of new pactamycin analogs with pronounced antimalarial activity, that lack significant antibacterial activity, and are about 10–30 times less toxic than pactamycin toward mammalian cells (Figure 4.2).^{7,8,9} Recently, we discovered that the acyltransferase (PtmR), used by *S. pactum* in the biosynthesis of pactamycin is capable of accepting a variety of substrates and developed a chemoenzymatic process to produce novel pactamycin analogs.¹⁰ Continuing our efforts to draw further on the bountiful activity of the aminocyclitol core of pactamycin, we have taken a third approach by synthesizing the core aminocyclopentitol ring which could open up a diverse library of biologically active compounds.

The intricate aminocyclopentitol structure of pactamycin, harboring 6-

contiguous stereocenters, has garnered considerable attention from the synthesis community over the years and only recently culminated in the landmark total synthesis by Hanessian in 2011 followed up by an elegant and efficient total synthesis by Johnson in 2013.^{11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21}

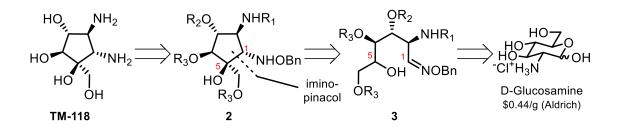


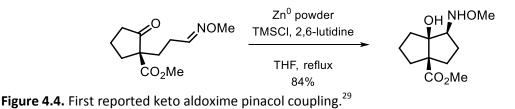
Figure 4.3. Retrosynthesis of TM-118.

The structurally complex aminocyclitol core is expected to be responsible for the bioactivity of pactamycin and its congeners. As such we set out to synthesize the aminocyclopentitol core lacking the aromatic rings, methyl groups and the *N*, *N*-dimethyl urea, all of which have been shown to affect the cytotoxicity of pactamycin or its analogs to some extent.^{8,9,22,23} The overarching goal would be to obtain modular access to a structurally unique aminocyclopentitol, that itself or a direct precursor could be derivatized to suit further SAR studies. To achieve the synthesis of the desired aminocyclopentitol ring, we surveyed general methods to synthesize highly functionalized cyclopentylamino alcohols.^{24,25,26,27} The most attractive in terms of starting material cost, flexibility and efficiency would be an intramolecular imino-pinacol coupling strategy starting from a suitable carbohydrate such as glucosamine (Figure 4.3).

Our retrosynthetic analysis to obtain the desired aminocyclopentitol starts with

deprotection of **2**. An orthogonally protected diamine (**2**) would allow further functionalization/derivatization at nearly any position imparting a high degree of synthetic flexibility to support future SAR studies. Diamine (**2**) could be constructed in a key imino-pinacol cyclization step from a **1**, 5-keto-aldoxime ether, after oxidation of **3**.

Oxime ether (**3**) was chosen as oxime ethers are resistant to hydrolysis, tautomerization, as well as the reverse ring closing reaction to reform a pyranose ring, unlike



their imine counterparts. Additionally oxime-ethers are good radical acceptors (approximately an order of magnitude faster than imines in 5-exo cyclizations) a requisite for the imino-pinacol coupling.²⁸ Reductive pinacol carbocyclizations between oxime ethers

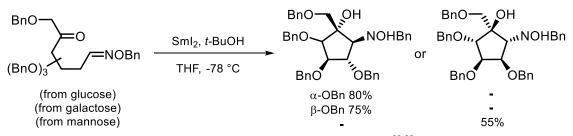


Figure 4.5. Imino pinacol coupling from carbohydrate precursors.³²⁻³⁵

and carbonyls were first demonstrated by Corey in 1983 using Zn⁰/TMSCl (Figure 4.4).²⁹ Electro-reduction and tributyltin hydride were later revealed to also affect imino-pinacol couplings.^{30,31} The scope and generality was greatly expanded to substrates derived from carbohydrates with the use of SmI₂ (Figure 4.5).^{32,33,34,35} The keto-oxime ether used in our study would come from a suitably protected carbohydrate derived from Dglucosamine. Aside from cost benefit, glucosamine had multiple advantages that we wished to exploit. Firstly, it contains most of the desired functionality, and 3 out of 5 of the necessary stereocenters in the product. Secondly, the stereochemistry at C-2 and C-4 of the carbohydrate was anticipated to be critical, based off of reported findings on similar systems, to obtain the desired diastereoselectivity in the key imino-pinacol coupling step. We based our strategy around the assumption that the undesired diastereomers resulting from configurations A and C (Figure 4.6) would be minimized due to the unfavorable stereoelectronic interactions. Configuration expected С is to

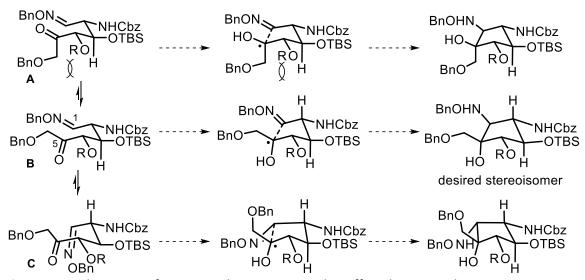


Figure 4.6. Substrate configurations that are expected to effect diastereoselection.

suffer from 1,3-allylic strain caused by the aldoxime double bond and the substituents at C2, and therefore not expected to contribute substantially to the final product. Configuration **A** is expected to experience considerable 1,3-diaxial interactions, as well as strong destabilizing electronic effects between the C5 oxygen and the negative charge developing at the N-OBn nitrogen in the transition state. While configuration **B** would lead to the product with the desired *all-trans* stereochemistry with the newly formed stereocenters at carbons 1 and 5. Unlike pinacol couplings between two carbonyls that both contain oxygen, Sml₂ induced coupling between ketones and aldoximes favor *trans* 1,5products as coordination between the metal and the aldoxime heteroatoms is not favored. The opposite *trans*-coupled product, epimeric at C1 and C5 (not shown) is expected not to form as it would result from a configuration that encompasses all of the negative stereoelectronic contributions from both configurations **A** and **C**.^{31-35,36,37}

The forward synthesis (Figure 4.7) commenced with Cbz-protection of the glucosamine nitrogen under aqueous conditions, followed by benzylidene acetalization of the 4, 6-hydroxy groups, then bis-silulation of the remaining anomeric and the C-3 hydroxyls with 2 eq of TBSCI/imidazole providing the bis-TBS benzylidene acetal (4) as a single diastereomer in 53% yield over 3-steps. After considerable experimentation, screening a number of known methods, we had not found suitable conditions to affect the reductive benzylidene ring opening to expose the free C-6 hydroxyl.^{38,39} During our route scouting we identified Et₃SiH/TFA as a high yielding reagent combination for this substrate selectively C4-OH that exposes the (6, Figure 4.7).

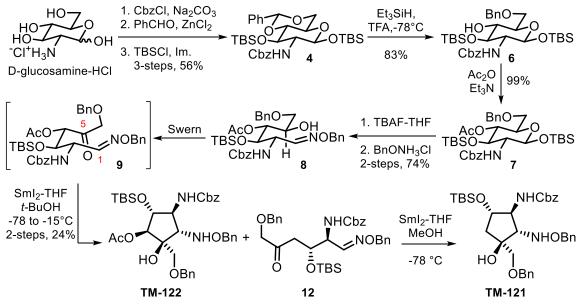


Figure 4.7. Synthesis scheme to aminocyclopentitols and deoxyaminocyclopentitols.

Although we later developed new conditions that exclusively provide the exposed C6hydroxyl intermediate (**5**, Figure 4.10), our first attempts at synthesizing the aminocyclopentitol ring proceeded through the 4-OH intermediate (**6**, Figure 4.7).

Our initial efforts to a protected aminocyclopentitol (**2**, Figure 4.3) accessed the 4-OH glucopyranose intermediate (**6**) in good yield from reductive benzylidene ring opening of acetal (**4**) with Et₃SiH/TFA (Figure 4.7). The C4 hydroxyl group on the pyranose ring proved particularly unreactive as a nucleophile. We found benzylation ineffective under a variety of conditions (Ag₂O/BnBr; NaH, BnBr NaH/PMBCI/NaI; BaO/Ba(OH)₂; BnBr/NaI/DIPEA/130 °C; PMBCI/TBAI/DIPEA/130 °C), even *O*-acylation with benzoyl chloride and stoichiometric quantities of DMAP was challenging with this substrate.³⁹ However, acetylation (Ac₂O/DMAP/Et₃N) gave the 4-OAc compound in high yield. We

were aware this protecting group might be problematic during the imino-pinacol cyclization due to potential elimination of the alpha acetoxy group. Deoxygenation of alphaacetoxy ketones with Sml₂ is a known and generally efficient reaction usually carried out in large volume excesses of MeOH, HMPA and/or ethylene glycol - mixtures that are known to strongly enhance the reduction potential of Sml₂, so we were unsure at the time whether de-acetoxylation would compete with the intramolecular radical coupling in the absence of such excesses of these reagents.^{40,41} Despite the possible pitfalls, we decided to carry the 4-OAc substrate forward to the imino-pinacol coupling stage for several reasons. Firstly, while Sml₂ was our first choice to affect the reductive pinacol coupling reaction, other radical promotors (Mg⁰/TMSCl, Bu₃SnH/AIBN, TTMSH/AIBN, Et_3B/O_2 , NiCl₂/TMSCl/Mg⁰) are capable of generating ketyl radicals and effective at promoting pinacol coupling reactions and could be attempted.^{29-31,42,43,44,45} Furthermore, SmI₂ is fairly unique in its ability to promote des-acetoxy eliminations. Secondly, we reasoned if deoxygenation were to occur, the linear deoxy-byproduct might undergo cyclization and produce a structurally unique mono-deoxy-aminocyclitol product that would be an interesting substrate for later SAR studies.

Eager to assess the cyclization, we carried the 4-OAc substrate (**7**) forward. A regioselective desilylation exposed the anomeric hydroxyl group in high yield providing both alpha and beta diastereomers which could be allowed to equilibrate to the alpha diastereomer, then subjected to dehydrative ring opening (BnONH₃Cl, pyridine) to form the 5-hydroxy aldoxime (**8**) in moderate yield. Oxidation to the 5-keto 1-aldoxime ether would provide the imino-pinacol precursor. After screening a number of oxidation conditions (DMSO-Ac₂O, IBX, DMP, TPAP-NMO) we observed the desired 5-ketoaldoxime ether product, but the reactions were not clean. Additionally, we found the desired 5ketoaldoxime ether product (9) to be thermally unstable, which would restrict our reagent choices for the oxidation and ultimately the imino-pinacol coupling conditions as well. We were pleased to find that a modified Swern oxidation [(COCl)₂, DMSO, THF, then DIPEA, -78 °C to -20 °C] successfully, and cleanly, delivered the 5-ketoaldoxime 9.46 As mention above, the instability of **9** would limit the reagent system that could be employed for the imino-pinacol cyclization to those capable of forming the requisite ketyl radical at low temperatures such as SmI_2 or Et_3B/O_2 . Gratifyingly, a one-pot Swern oxidation/Sml₂ mediated reductive cyclization (Sml₂/THF/t-BuOH) produced the desired aminocyclopentitol TM-123, albeit in low yield (2 steps, 14%). The major reaction products in this 1-pot sequence were identified as the N-cyclized pyrrolidine aldoxime (11 not shown, 14% yield) and the linear des-acetoxy ketone (12, 35% yield). We observed the N-cyclized compound, pyrollidine **11**, was formed when the 5-ketoaldoxime **9** from the Swern step was warmed to room temperature. The pyrrolidine byproduct could be suppressed by keeping the Swern oxidation below -15 °C after addition of DIPEA, resulting in a modest increase in yield to 24%, however the linear des-acetoxy 12 product could not. Though, after isolation of the linear des-acetoxy 12 then re-subjecting it to the reductive cyclization conditions, provided the deoxy-aminocyclopentitol TM-122. Interestingly, we also found that the des-acetoxy-aminocyclopentitol TM-122 could be obtained

clean and directly from the Swern oxidation/Sml₂-reductive coupling sequence simply by switching the proton donor from *t*-BuOH to MeOH.⁴¹ This reaction sequence efficiently accesses the 4-deoxy-diaminocyclopentitol ring effectively, comprising of 3-steps in one pot: alcohol oxidation, elimination-deoxygenation, and C-C coupling. Though we were pleased to have successfully reached the protected diamino-cyclopentitol TM-122 as well as delivering a novel and efficient entry into deoxy-aminocyclopentitols such as TM-121, we sought a higher yield of the target compound. We had hoped to improve the Swern/reductive coupling steps by taking advantage of the tunability of Sml₂ by swapping proton donors, lone pair donors, metal halide additives etc., but this was overall unsuccessful. It became clear that a more robust protecting group at the 4-OH position of the pyranose was necessary.

We eventually obtained the liberated C-6 alcohol (**5**, Figure 4.10) through a regioselective reductive benzylidene ring opening. However, during the course of investigating suitable protecting groups for C4-hydroxyl in **6** and the C-6 hydroxyl in **5** we found that anionic benzylation (NaH, DMF) of **5** resulted not only in facile *N*-benzylation but also cyclization of the carbamate to the 2,3-oxazolidinone. Though we later discovered that with strict temperature control (-20° C to -15° C) both side reactions can be suppressed completely to give the desired 6-OBn **14**.

However, using the oxazolidinone intrigued us, because we reasoned that a fully protected imino-pinacol substrate (**15**), could be prepared very rapidly from **16** (Figure 4.8). Nevertheless, we were cognizant that the pinacol coupling proposed with this sub-

strate would be expected to yield a strained *trans*-fused bicyclo[3.3.0] octane-like ring system, which is rarely synthesized but not unprecedented; we felt that rapid access to the pinacol substrate (**15**) justified the effort.^{47,48}

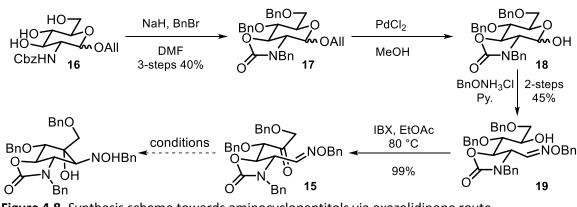


Figure 4.8. Synthesis scheme towards aminocyclopentitols via oxazolidinone route.

The synthesis of oxazolidinone aldoxime ether (**15**) commenced with anionic benzylation (NaH, DMF then BnBr) and *in-situ* carbamate cyclization of *N*-Cbz 1-allyl glucosamine **16** which afforded the orthogonally protected oxazolidinone (**17**, 3 steps; 50 %). Cleavage of the allyl ether (PdCl₂, 1 eq, MeOH, rt) at C-1 exposed the anomeric hydroxyl providing hemiacetal (**18**) which eluded characterization due to apparent palladium contamination evident by broadened ¹H NMR signals in the purified material. However, we found that using the Pd-contaminated hemi-acetal (**18**) in the subsequent dehydrative ring opening with *O*-Benzylhydroxyl amine still produced the desired 5hydroxyaldoxime ether (**19**) in reasonable yield (2 steps, 45% yield). Oxidation (IBX, EtOAc, 75-80 °C) of the secondary alcohol, 5-hydroxyaldoxime ether (**19**), to the 5ketoaldoxime ether (**15**) proceeded uneventfully in high yield (99%). As expected, the 5ketoaldoxime ether (**15**) is stable at room temperature unlike substrates with an exposed nitrogen (*N*HCbz). With the cyclization substrate (**15**) in hand, we proceeded to the imino-pinacol coupling. Remarkably, no reaction occurred in the presence of

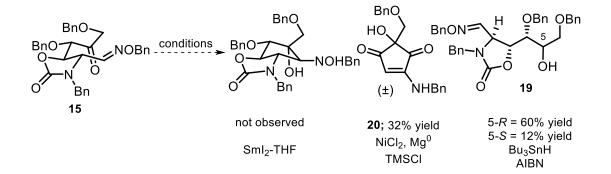


Figure 4.9. Summary of conditions and results for the oxazolidinone pinacol coupling.

Sml₂ in THF at room temperature. In fact it is completely inert to Sml₂-THF with or without proton donors, organic amines or metal halides unless heat was applied. When heated at 50 °C for 5 min, a new TLC spot was observed at the expected *rf* range, the starting material was consumed, and mass spectrometry data from the reaction mixture indicated a product m/z value that matched the desired product. However, the TLC spot disappeared before the compound could be isolated, suggesting the *trans*-fused cyclopentane ring system likely formed but was unstable and short-lived. The experiment was repeated, and to our dismay produced the same result: formation of a single new spot with the expected m/z value followed by loss of the TLC spot prior to reaction workup. Surprisingly, we did not observe any of the 5-hydroxy reduction product (**19**) under these conditions. Other radical initiators capable of generating the necessary ketyl radical from an aliphatic ketone were also screened in order to affect the cyclization of the 5-ketoaldoxime (**15**) to the desired aminocyclopentitol and the conditions leading to reduction products are summarized in Figure 4.9. Interestingly, tributyltin hydride/AIBN produced exclusively ca. 6:1 mixtures of the diastereomeric alcohols, while the Sml₂ conditions did not. When **15** was treated with Rieke nickel (NiCl₂/TMSCl/Mg⁰)⁴⁵, a new spot had formed and upon isolation and characterized as the benzylamino-cyclopentene dione (**20**). However, **20** was found to be a racemic mixture and also missing key functional features, which unfortunately precludes the utility of this compound in our synthesis of the target molecule. Having attempted a number of conditions to obtain the desired aminocyclopentitol from two different ketoaldoximes (**15** and **9**) with limited success, we turned to aldoxime (**21**, Figure 4.10) that after oxidation would produce not only a less-strained pinacol product (than the oxazolidinone) but also utilizes the more robust (-OBn) protecting group at the C4-hydroxyl.

Turning our attention to aldoxime **21** (Figure 4.10), we screened several reported conditions to selectively open the benzylidene ring in **4** to provide **5**. One promising condition (cyanuric chloride, NaBH₄) provided the desired 4-OBn **5** selectively but suffered a low yield (10%). By switching from TFA-Et₃SiH in our first route (Figure 4.9) to a Lewis acid system, Bu₂BOTf-Et₃SiH (Figure 4.10), completely reversed the selectivity, favoring the desired, free C6 alcohol **5** in high yield (86%). To our knowledge, this reagent combination is new for this type of transformation and has not been reported.^{38,39}

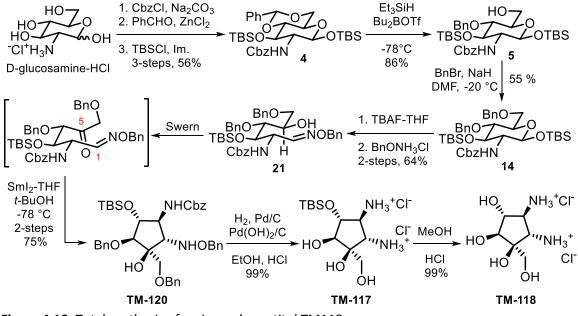


Figure 4.10. Total synthesis of aminocyclopentitol TM118.

Benzylation (NaH, BnBr, -20 °C) of the C-6 hydroxyl provided benzylated intermediate (14) in modest yield (55%), suffering from competitive *N*-benzylation of the 6-*O*-benzyl product (14) with *O*-benzylation of the starting material (5). *N*-Benzylation could be suppressed completely by keeping the reaction below -20 °C and quenching the reaction at 50% conversion. Selective removal of the anomeric-TBS group (TBAF, THF, 0° C) afforded the corresponding free lactol. Literature methods for this transformation use AcOH-TBAF to buffer the basicity of the fluoride anion, but we found the reaction sluggish requiring over 48 h to reach completion.⁴⁹ By omitting AcOH, the reaction was complete within 10 m, selective and high yielding (90%). Dehydrative ring opening of the lactol, provided both *E/Z*-isomers of the 5-hydroxy-aldoxime ether **21** in 64% yield. After screening a number of oxidation conditions to obtain the 1,5-keto-aldoxime as the

imino-pinacol precursor, we settled on modified Swern conditions [(COCI)₂, DMSO, DI-PEA, -78° C] with the observation that the product ketone was unstable above 0 °C.⁴⁶ As the reductive keto-aldoxime cyclization was expected to occur at low temperatures, we therefore attempted to telescope the Swern and imino-pinacol coupling steps to overcome the instability issue of the intermediate ketone.³² To our delight, the Swern/iminopinacol coupling successfully produced the desired orthogonally protected aminocyclopentitol TM-120 as a mixture of two out of four possible diastereomers (Figure 4.10 and Figure 4.11, 75% yield).

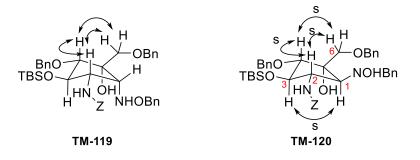


Figure 4.11. Key NOE correlations of the imino-pinacol products TM-119 and TM-120.

We have successfully repeated this two-step conversion on gram scale. Importantly, this strategy grants convenient access to differentially protected cyclopentyl diamines utilizing an imino-pinacol coupling strategy. Notably, Chiara and co-workers attempted similar imino-pinacol couplings with protected 2-amino-carbamate 1-aldoxime ethers but reportedly suffered from *N*-cyclization and a mixture of many products.⁵⁰ In our hands we found the *N*-cyclized compound was the major decomposition product from the ketone starting material if allowed to warm above 0 °C.

While formation of the desired stereoisomer TM-120, can be rationalized by the stereoelectronic effects noted in figure 4.6, the formation of diastereomer TM-119 is less straightforward. Interestingly, a similar erosion of stereoinduction was reported in a series of otherwise completely diastereoselective imino-pinacol couplings. The anomalous result occurred with a substrate containing an *O*-acetate vicinal to the radical accepting aldoxime.⁵¹ As carbonyl oxygens are sometimes capable of directing Sml₂ mediated reactions, ⁵² we hypothesize that coordination of an organosamarium with the NH-carbobenzyloxy group is responsible for overriding the otherwise inherent stereoelectronic biases highlighted in figure 4.6, forming the diastereomer TM-119.

At this stage in the synthesis, the protected aminocyclopentitol TM-120 can be used as a branching point for derivatization/SAR studies, but for our immediate purposes we desired the free aminocyclopentitol TM-118. However, to our dismay, a number of hydrogenation conditions failed to deliver any desired product even with extended reaction times and higher temperatures. Interestingly, the one electron reductant, LiDBB, furnished the desired putative intermediate (TM-117; by MS and ¹H NMR) but left the highly water soluble aminocyclitol as an intractable mixture of mostly inorganic impurities after aqueous workup.³⁹ A number of non-aqueous workup/purification conditions also failed to provide TM-117. It is noteworthy, however, that LiDBB has not been previously demonstrated to cleave the N-O bond in hydroxylamines. Seeking alternate debenzylation conditions, an intriguing paper caught our attention that reported a mixture of Pd(OH)₂/C and Pd/C affords "a more reactive hydrogenation catalyst than either catalyst alone".⁵³ Upon adaptation of their method, we were pleasantly surprised to find that the catalyst combination successfully debenzylated the aminocyclopentitol at 0 °C (H₂, EtOH, conc. HCl) in less than 3h to provide the desired TM-117 as the sole product (99% yield). Encouraged by this result, we hoped to debenzylate and remove the TBS group in 1-pot by switching from EtOH to MeOH as the hydrogenation solvent, however, this was unsuccessful.⁵⁴ We observed that after full conversion to TM-117, followed by a filtration and solvent exchange to MeOH, full desilylation had occurred providing the desired final product TM-118 in nearly quantitative yield (99%). With the desired product TM-118 and a number of novel aminocyclopentitols in hand from our synthetic routes, we were eager to test the bioactivity.

Biological Activity

Preliminary biological testing of TM-118, TM-117, and fully protected aminocyclitol TM-120 against four bacterial strains (two Gram-positive and two Gram-negative), indicated that TM-117 and TM-120 displayed modest activity against Gram-positive *Staphylococcus aureus*. While TM-120 also displayed modest inhibitory activity, similar to pactamycin, versus Gram-negative *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (Figure 4.12). Importantly, further biological evaluation of some of the synthetic intermediates

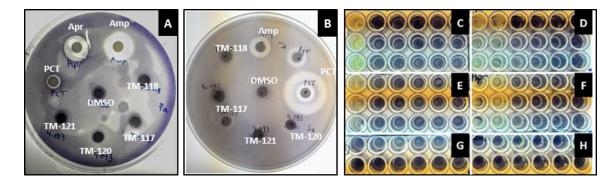


Figure 4.12. Antibacterial testing of pactamycin analogs. Agar diffusion assay of pactamycin analogs against *P. aeruginosa* (**A**) and *S. aureus* (**B**). PCT = pactamycin; Amp = ampicillin; Apra = apramycin; DMSO; 10 uL of 10 mM each. Microdilution assay of TM-117 and other antibiotics *S. aureus* (**C**-**F**). (**C**) TM-117 (1mM to 1 nM); (**D**) pactamycin (1mM to 1 nM); (**E**) ampicillin (1mM to 1 nM); (**F**) apramycin (1mM to 1 nM); (**G**) DMSO; (**H**) cells.

containing the aminocyclopentitol ring revealed that deoxy-aminocyclopentitol TM-121 and acetate-TM-122 exhibited potent anticancer activity against melanoma (A375 cells, Figure 4.13). This result is on par with the anticancer activity observed with pactamycin derivative TM-026. These are important preliminary biological results and should be followed up with more rigorous studies to establish selectivity, toxicity and whether the mechanism of action is unique or similar to pactamycin.

In conclusion, we have developed an efficient asymmetric route to the aminocy-

clopentitol TM-118. Moreover, we have demonstrated that the synthetic precursors,

TM-117 and aminocyclopentitol TM-120, are modestly active against Gram-positive bacteria. In addition, we have found that aminocyclopentitols TM-121 and TM-122 are also significantly bioactive molecules and display promising cancer cell toxicity.

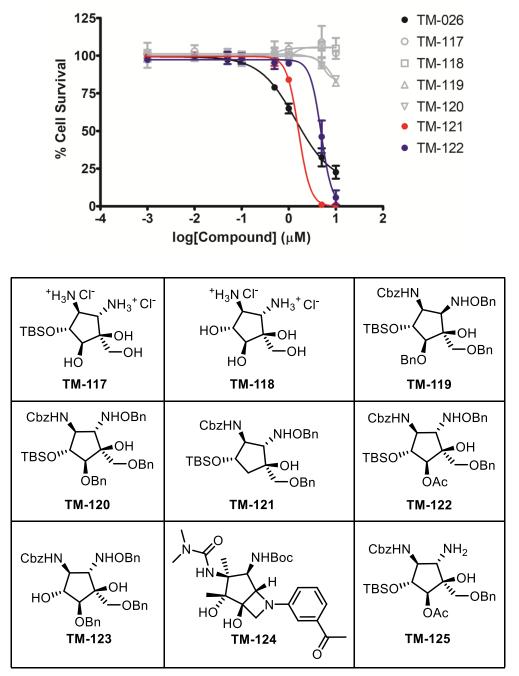


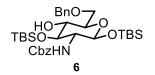
Figure 4.13. Antitumor activity of pactamycin analogs. Dose response curve (above) and structures of synthetic pactamycin analogs (below) screened against melanoma A375 cells.

Supporting information

General: All reactions were carried out under an inert Argon atmosphere in oven-dried glassware unless indicated otherwise. Flash column chromatography was carried out with SiliaFlash P60, 60 Å silica gel. Reactions and column chromatography were monitored with EMD silica gel 60 F254 plates and visualized with potassium permanganate, ceric ammonium molybdate, iodine, or vanillin stains. Molecular sieves were preactivated by heating for 2h at 200 °C under vacuum. Tetrahydrofuran (THF), and diethyl ether (Et_2O) were freshly distilled from a sodium benzophenone ketyl. Triethylamine (Et₃N), diisopropylethyl amine (DIPEA), pyridine (Py), dichloromethane (DCM) and acetonitrile (MeCN) were distilled over calcium hydride prior to use. DMSO and t-BuOH were stored over 3 Å molecular sieves. Sml₂ was freshly prepared using a modified version of Imamoto's method (reagent was heated only until color change occurred then cooled to room temperature and stirred a minimum of 18 h under an atmosphere of argon prior to use).⁵⁵ All syringes were purged with argon 3 x prior to use. All other reagents and solvents were used without further purification from commercial sources. Instrumentation: FT-IR spectra were obtained on NaCl plates with a PerkinElmer Spectrum Vision spectrometer. Proton and carbon NMR spectra (¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR) were recorded in deuterated chloroform (CDCl₃) unless otherwise noted on a Bruker 700 MHz Avance III Spectrometer with carbon-optimized cryoprobe and Bruker 400 MHz spectrometer and calibrated to residual solvent peaks. Multiplicities are abbreviated as follows: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, sept = septet, br = broad, m = multiplet.

Synthesis of benzyl ((3*R*,4*R*,5*S*,6*R*)-2,4,5-trihydroxy-6-(hydroxymethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*pyran-3-yl)carbamate (**S1**)⁵⁶: An aqueous solution of *D*-glucosamine-HCl (0.27 M, 0.163 mol, 35 g) was cooled in an ice-bath 15 m and added Na₂CO₃ (0.358 mol, 37.9 g, 2.2 eq), followed by a dropwise addition of benzylchloroformate (24.4 mL, 0.171 mol, 1.05 eq) at 0°C. The reaction was held at this temperature for 1h before slowly warming to room temperature and stirring 14h. TLC (EtOAc-MeOH = 9:1). indicated reaction completion. The product was collected by filtration and the solids were washed successively on the funnel with water (2 x 100 mL) on the filter, then toluene (2 x 50 mL) then CH_2Cl_2 (2 x 50 mL). The resulting solids were dried under vacuum on funnel (12 h), then transferred to a round bottom flask and any residual water was azeotropically removed by 2 cycles of addition and evaporation of toluene (2 x 300 mL) at 35 °C. Remaining volatiles were removed *in vacuo* and used in the next step without further purification.

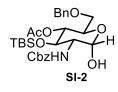
Synthesis benzvl ((2R,4aR,6S,7R,8R,8aR)-6,8-bis((tert-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)-2of phenylhexahydropyrano[3,2-d][1,3]dioxin-7-yl)carbamate (4): ZnCl₂ was fused prior to the reaction by adding ZnCl₂ to a dry preweighed round bottom flask and fused under vacuum with a flame until bubbling ceased. The flask was then allowed to cool to room temperature while under high vacuum. The flask containing fused ZnCl₂ (37.2 g, 0.243 mol, 2 eq) was backfilled with argon and added benzaldehyde (449 mL, 0.27 M) and stirred 10 min at room temperature. Starting material **S1** was then added at room temperature and stirred 24 h under argon. TLC indicated reaction completion (EtOAc-MeOH = 10:1). The reaction mixture was poured onto an equal volume of ice water, then warmed to room temperature and the crude product collected by filtration as an amorphous white solid. Successive washes with EtOAc, Hexanes then Et₂O on the filter to remove residual benzaldehyde, then the solids were dried by azeotropic distillation with toluene (2 x 250 mL) & volatiles were removed in vacuo (24 h). The resulting white solids (41.0 g, 0.102 mol) were dissolved in anhydrous DMF (157 mL, 0.65 M) and added TBSCI (33.9 g, 0.225 mol, 2.2 eq), then imidazole (20.87 g, 0.306 mmol, 3 eq) was added and stirred 24h at RT until reaction reached completion as indicated by TLC (Hexane-EtOAc = 4:1). The mixture was diluted with EtOAc (500 mL), and washed with 0.1 M HCl (2 x 250 mL), the aqueous extracted with EtOAc (3 x 500 mL), organics combined and washed with water (3 x 500 mL), brine (250 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered and volatiles removed in vacuo. The resulting gummy foam was purified by flash chromatography and eluted with Hexane-Et₂O = 10:1 to yield **4** (55 g, 55.5% yield). $[\alpha]_D$ = -29° (c 5.4, DMSO, 23 °C). IR (film): 3355, 3067, 3036, 2954, 2929, 1714 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.53 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.33 (m, 8H), 5.52 (s, 1H), 5.09 (brs, 1H), 5.06 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 1H), 4.32 – 4.28 (m, 1H), 4.21 (brs, 1H), 3.85 – 3.74 (m, 1H), 3.50 (d, *J* = 4 Hz, 2H), 3.18 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 0.91 (s, 9H), 0.84 (s, 9H), 0.13 (s, 3H), 0.10 (s, 3H), 0.01 (s, 3H), -0.02 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.4, 137.3, 136.3, 129.0, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 128.1, 126.3, 101.7, 95.7, 82.5, 71.1, 68.8, 66.7, 66.1, 62.0, 25.7, 25.5, 18.1, 17.9, -4.1, -4.2, -5.3. HR-ESI (+)-MS: Theoretical C₃₃H₅₂NO₇Si₂ [M+H]⁺ = *m/z* 630.32768; Observed [M+H]⁺ = *m/z* 630.32888.



benzyl ((2*S*,3*R*,4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-6-((benzyloxy)methyl)-2,4-bis((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)-5hydroxytetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-3-yl)carbamate (**6**): Benzylidine **4** (7.9 mmol, 5 g) in anhydrous DCM (79.5 mL, 0.1 M) was added Et₃SiH (12.76 mL, 0.08 mol, 9.3 g) and 3 Å Mol sieves (beads) then cooled to 0°C and allowed to stir 1.5h at 0°C. Trifluoroacetic acid (6.03 mL, 8.99 g, 0.079 mol; freshly distilled from 0.1% TFAA; TFA Bp = 71°C) was added slowly over 15 m via syringe at 0°C. TLC (Hexane-EtOAc=4:1) indicated reaction completion. Reaction was quenched by dropwise addition of Et₃N (13 mL, 12eq, 0.095 mol) at 0°C. The quenched reaction was incubated 12h at -20°C, then filtered through 2 x 3 in. pad of SiO₂, rinsed with 200 mL DCM, and the organics washed with NaHCO₃, water (150 mL), brine (100 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered and volatiles removed *in vacuo*. The resulting pale yellow oil was purified by flash chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc = 100:20) to yield **6** (4.1 g, 83%). $[\alpha]_D = -5^\circ$ (c 20, DCM, 27 °C); IR (film) 3441, 2929, 2856, 1703, 1521 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 – 7.29 (m, 10H), 5.06 (s, 2H), 4.91 (d, *J* = 6 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (d, *J* = 6 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.93 – 3.82 (m, 1H), 3.76 (m, 2H), 3.56 – 3.43 (m, 2H), 3.19 – 3.05 (m, 1H), 2.50 (d, *J* = 2 Hz, 1H), 0.89 – 0.86 (m, 18H), 0.19 – -0.05 (m, 12H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.5, 137.6, 136.4, 128.5, 128.2, 128.1, 127.7, 127.7, 95.4, 74.7, 73.7, 73.7, 73.6, 70.7, 66.7, 60.7, 25.8, 25.6, 18.2, 17.9, -4.2, -4.9, -5.4. HR-ESI (+)-MS: Theoretical C₃₃H₅₃NO₇Si₂ [M+H]⁺ = *m/z* 632.34303; Observed [M+H]⁺ = *m/z* 632.34409.

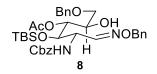
(2R,3R,4R,5R,6S)-5-(((benzyloxy)carbonyl)amino)-2-((benzyloxy)methyl)-4,6-bis((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-yl acetate (**7**): Alcohol **6** (4.73 g, 7.49 mmol) was dissolved in DCM (25 mL) and pyridine (12.6 mL), then DMAP (0.183 g, 1.49 mmol, 0.2 eq) followed by Ac₂O (1.23 mL, 1.33 g, 11.23 mmol, 1.5 eq) and stirred 24h at room temperature. TLC (Hexane-EtOAc = 4:1) indicated reaction completion. Reaction mixture was diluted with DCM, washed with water (2 x 500 mL), 0.1 M HCl (2 x 200 mL), water (2 x 500mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and volatiles removed in vacuo. The resulting oil was purified by flash chromatography (Pet. Ether-EtOAc = 10:1) to yield **7** (5.045 g, 99% yield). [α]_D = +78 ° (c 20, DCM, 27 °C); IR (film) 3355, 2930, 2857, 1749,

1717 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (700 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 – 7.30 (m, 10H), 5.10 – 5.03 (m, 2H), 4.91 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (t, *J* = 9 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.51 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (t, *J* = 9 Hz, 1H), 3.64 – 3.58 (m, 1H), 3.58 – 3.51 (m, 2H), 3.07 (m, 1H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 0.89 (s, 9H), 0.83 (s, 9H), 0.13 (s, 3H), 0.08 (s, 3H), 0.00 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.0, 155.4, 138.1, 136.2, 128.5, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 127.7, 127.6, 94.7, 73.7, 73.5, 73.0, 71.5, 70.5, 66.8, 61.6, 25.6, 25.6, 21.3, 18.0, 17.9, -4.2, -4.5, -5.4 ppm.

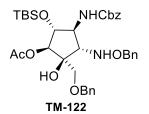


(2*R*,3*R*,4*R*,5*R*,6*S*)-5-(((benzyloxy)carbonyl)amino)-2-((benzyloxy)methyl)-4-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)-6-hydroxytetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-yl acetate (**SI-2**): A solution of **7** (1 g, 1.49 mmol) in THF (5.95 mL) was cooled to 0 °C, then a solution of TBAF-THF (1.47 mL, 1.47 mmol, 0.99 eq, 1M in THF) was added slowly under argon. After 15 m stirring at this temperature, TLC (H-E = 2:1) indicated reaction completion. The mixture was diluted with TBME (200 mL) and washed with water (3 x 50mL), brine (1 x 50 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and volatiles removed *in vacuo*. The resulting waxy solids were purified by flash chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc = 20:10) to yield the α-diastereomer (824 mg, 99%). [α]_D = + 39° (c 8, DCM, 27 °C); IR (film) 3419, 3350, 3032, 2928, 2856, 1739, 1722, 1516, 1230 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (700 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 – 7.29 (m, 10H), 5.24 (brs, 1H), 5.12 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.95 – 4.84 (m, 2H), 4.53 (m, 2H), 4.09 (m,

1H), 3.90 (m, 1H), 3.53 (m, 1H) , 3.46 (m, 1H), 1.98 (s, 1H), 0.84 (s, 1H), 0.04 – 0.01 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.8, 155.8, 137.5, 136.2, 129.9, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 127.8, 92.3, 73.5, 72.7, 70.6, 69.8, 69.1, 67.1, 55.9, 25.6, 21.2, 17.8, -4.4, -4.5.



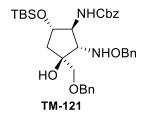
(2*R*,3*R*,4*R*,5*S*,*E*)-1-(benzyloxy)-5-(((benzyloxy)carbonyl)amino)-6-((benzyloxy)imino)-4-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)-2-hydroxyhexan-3-yl acetate (**8**): Lactol **SI-2**(2.49 g, 4.45 mmol) in DCM-Pyridine (1:1, 4.45 mL) and added BnONH₂·HCl (1.06g, 6.68 mmol, 1.5 eq) then stirred 48h when TLC (Hexane-EtOAc = 2:1) indicated reaction was essentially complete. Volatiles were removed *in vacuo*, and title compound was purified by flash chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc = 400:100) to yield 320 mg recovered starting material, a mixture of *E*/*Z*- diastereomers (305 mg, 10%) and pure *E*-diastereomer (1.89 g, 63%; or 83%-combined yield brsm). [α]_D = -25 ° (c 2.2, DCM, 24 °C); IR (film) 3425, 3089, 3065, 3032, 2954, 2930, 2858, 1730, 1498, 1455 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.62 (d, *J* = 2 Hz, 1H), 7.42 – 7.31 (m, 15H), 5.68 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 5.08 – 4.99 (m, 3H), 4.64 – 4.46 (m, 4H), 3.95 – 3.85 (m, 1H), 3.50 (dd, *J* = 9, 3 Hz, 1H), 3.37 (dd, *J* = 9, 6 Hz, 1H), 2.47 (d, *J* = 6 Hz, 1H), 1.90 (s, 3H), 0.93 (s, 9H), 0.23 – 0.15 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.4, 155.9, 146.9, 137.5, 136.8, 136.2, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 76.3, 73.5, 70.7, 70.4, 70.2, 67.9, 67.0, 53.3, 25.8, 20.8, 18.0, -4.7, -5.0. HR-ESI (+)-MS: Theoretical $C_{36}H_{48}N_2O_8Si$ [M+H]⁺ = m/z 665.32527; Observed [M+H]⁺ = m/z 665.32583.



(15,25,35,45,5R)-3-((benzyloxy)amino)-4-(((benzyloxy)carbonyl)amino)-2-

((benzyloxy)methyl)-5-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)-2-hydroxycyclopentyl acetate (**TM-122**): Under argon, oxalyl chloride (0.051 mL, 76.4 mg, 0.602 mmol, 2 eq) was dissolved in dry THF (1.2 mL) and cooled to -78° C. A solution of DMSO-THF (0.4 mL, 3 M, 1.2 mmol, 4 eq) was added slowly at -78° C and allowed to stir 15m at -78 °C (bubbling had ceased). A solution of **8** in THF (2 mL, 0.301 mmol, 0.15 M) was slowly added at -78 °C and stirred at this temperature 15m, then warmed to -62 °C and stirred 15 m at this temperature. The reaction was cooled back to -78 °C and DIPEA (0.362 mL, 2.08 mmol, 5.95 eq) was added slowly. The reaction was stirred 1h at -78 °C, then warmed to -20 °C and stirred at this temperature 16 h when TLC (Hexane-EtOAc = 2:1) indicated reaction was complete. The reaction mixture was cooled to -78 °C and slowly diluted with THF (8.44 mL, [0.025M] final concentration) to avoid warming then subjected to 3 x freeze pump thaw cycles, and backfilled with argon. The resulting slurry was held at -78 °C for 15 m. A separate flask was evacuated and backfilled 3 times with argon, then dry degassed *t*-BuOH was added, cooled to 0 °C and added a solution of Sml₂-THF (3 mL, 0.903

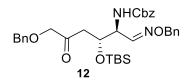
mmol, 0.1M) under argon and stirred 30 m at 0°C, then cooled to -78 °C. The Swern slurry was then transferred dropwise via cannula into the cold solution of Sml₂-THF-t-BuOH. The reaction was incubated 12h at -78 °C then guenched by bubbling a stream of dry air at -30°C, then added a saturated solution of NaHCO₃ (6 mL), then EtOAc (30 mL) and warmed to room temperature. The mixture was stirred vigorously for 30 minutes. The organics were separated and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 30 mL), washed with 10% Na₂S₂O₄ (1 x 15 mL), brine (1 x 25 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and volatiles removed in vacuo. The resulting oil was purified by flash chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc = 5:1) to vield linear deoxy-12 (TM-121, 65 mg, 35%); N-cyclized-11 (14 mg, 7%) and TM-122 (32 mg, 16% yield, 2 steps). [α]_D = +12° (c 1, DCM, 27 °C); IR (film) 3400, 2926, 1718, 1700 cm^{-1} . ¹H NMR (700 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 – 7.29 (m, 15H), 6.07 (brs, 1H), 5.14 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 5.11 (s, 2H), 5.05 (d, J = 9 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.53 (d, J = 11 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (d, J = 11 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (t, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 3.79 - 3.71 (m, 2H), 3.59 (d, J = 10 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (s, 1H), 3.30 (brs, 1H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 0.85 (s, 9H), 0.03 - -0.03 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.0, 155.9, 137.5, 137.1, 136.1, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 128.2, 128.0, 128.0, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.5, 126.8, 79.0, 77.4, 77.0, 76.2, 73.6, 72.2, 71.1, 66.8, 57.7, 25.4, 20.8, 17.7, -5.0. HR-ESI (+)-MS: Theoretical C₃₄H₄₆N₂O₆Si $[M+H]^{+} = m/z$ 665.32527; Observed $[M+H]^{+} = m/z$ 665.32916



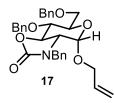
benzyl((1S,2S,3S,5S)-2-((benzyloxy)amino)-3-((benzyloxy)methyl)-5-((tert-

butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)-3-hydroxycyclopentyl)carbamate (TM-121):

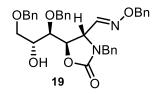
TM-121 was obtained using the same procedure as TM-122, except MeOH (0.018 mL, 0.45 mmol, 6 eq) was used in place of *t*-BuOH. TM-123 $[\alpha]_D = +10^{\circ}$ (c 1.4, DCM, 25 °C); IR (film) 3412, 3339, 3064, 3031, 2953, 2927, 2855, 1702, 1518, 1497 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (700 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 – 7.17 (m, 15H), 6.14 (brs, 1H), 5.14 (d, *J* = 9 Hz, 1H), 5.11 (s, 2H), 4.67 (d, *J* = 11 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (d, *J* = 11 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.53 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (dd, *J* = 14, 7 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (dd, *J* = 14, 6 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (d, *J* = 9 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (d, *J* = 10 Hz, 1H), 3.30 (d, *J* = 5 Hz, 1H), 3.23 (s, 1H), 2.04 (dd, *J* = 13, 7 Hz, 1H), 1.77 (dd, *J* = 13, 8 Hz, 1H), 0.87 (s, 9H), 0.04 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.1, 137.8, 137.5, 136.4, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 128.2, 127.9, 127.9, 79.2, 76.2, 75.1, 73.6, 73.5, 72.9, 66.8, 62.2, 43.7, 25.8, 18.0, -4.8. HR-ESI (+)-MS: Theoretical C₃₄H₄₆N₂O₆Si [M+H]⁺ = *m/z* 607.31979; Observed [M+H]⁺ = *m/z* 607.32047.



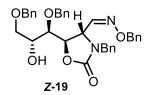
benzyl ((5*S*,6*R*,*E*)-6-(3-(benzyloxy)-2-oxopropyl)-8,8,9,9-tetramethyl-1-phenyl-2,7-dioxa-3-aza-8-siladec-3-en-5-yl)carbamate (**12**): $[\alpha]_D = -19^\circ$ (c 2, DCM, 27 °C); IR (film): 3432, 3064, 3032, 2952, 2928, 2856, 1723, 1497 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (700 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.28 (m, 15H), 5.47 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 5.14 – 5.04 (m, 4H), 4.63 – 4.49 (m, 3H), 4.48 – 4.41 (m, 1H), 3.99 (s, 1H), 2.56 (dd, *J* = 17, 5 Hz, 1H), 2.47 (dd, *J* = 17, 7 Hz, 1H), 0.86 – 0.82 (m, 9H), 0.13 – -0.10 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 206.2, 156.0, 147.4, 137.2, 137.1, 136.2, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.7, 127.7, 127.5, 76.4, 75.5, 73.4, 68.6, 67.2, 54.8, 42.4, 25.8, 25.7, 17.9, -4.8. HR-ESI (+)-MS: Theoretical [M+H]⁺ = *m/z* 605.30414 Observed [M+H]⁺ = *m/z* 605.30474.



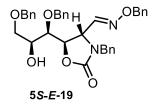
(3a*R*,4*S*,6*R*,7*S*,7a*R*)-4-(allyloxy)-3-benzyl-7-(benzyloxy)-6-((benzyloxy)methyl)tetrahydro-4H-pyrano[3,4-d]oxazol-2(3H)-one (**17**): To a dry flask under argon, NaH (60% mineral oil suspension, 4.08 g, 84.5 mmol, 5 eq) was added, then washed with hexanes (2 x 10 mL) under argon. DMF (120 mL) was transferred to the flask containing NaH via cannula and cooled to 5°C. A solution of **16** in DMF (48 mL, 16.9 mmol, 0.35M) was transferred dropwise via cannula to the cold solution of NaH-DMF. The mixture was stirred 15 m then warmed slowly to room temperature and stirred for 4h at this temperature. Then BnBr (9.97 mL, 14.36 g, 5 eq) was added dropwise (exotherm) and stirred at ambient temperature 4h. After reaction completion as judged by TLC, the mixture was quenched by pouring into ice water (500 mL) then extracted with EtOAc (2 x 200 mL), washed with 1M HCl (1 x 100 mL) then water (4 x 500 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ (1 x 100 mL), brine (1 x 50 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and volatiles removed *in vacuo*. The title compound was obtained after purification by flash chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc = 2:1) to yield **17** (4.7 g, 54% yield). [α]_D = +38° (c 0.5, DCM, 25 °C); IR (film): 3031, 2917, 2869, 1765 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (700 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44 – 7.30 (m, 13H), 7.27 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 5.76 (ddd, *J* = 16, 11, 6 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (d, *J* = 17 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (d, *J* = 11 Hz, 2H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 11 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (d, *J* = 3 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (dd, *J* = 12, 10 Hz, 1H), 4.64 – 4.48 (m, 4H), 4.45 (s, 2H), 4.02 (dd, *J* = 13, 5 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (t, *J* = 9 Hz, 1H), 3.76 – 3.70 (m, 2H), 3.67 (dd, *J* = 12, 6 Hz, 1H), 3.64 – 3.61 (m, 1H), 3.35 (dd, *J* = 12, 3 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.1, 137.8, 137.5, 135.3, 133.1, 128.8, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.9, 127.8, 127.8, 127.7, 118.2, 94.4, 77.4, 77.2, 77.0, 76.8, 74.9, 73.5, 73.0, 72.6, 68.9, 67.7, 61.1, 48.7.



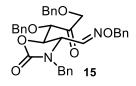
(*E*)-3-benzyl-5-((1*R*,2*R*)-1,3-bis(benzyloxy)-2-hydroxypropyl)-2-oxooxazolidine-4carbaldehyde *O*-benzyl oxime (**19**): The crude lactol (500 mg, 1.05 mmol) from the previous step, in pyridine (5 mL) was added $BnONH_3Cl$ (427 mg, 2.683 mmol, 2.55 eq) under argon and stirred 8h. TLC (H-E=2:1) indicated complete consumption starting material. Volatiles were removed *in vacuo* and purified by flash chromatography (Pet. ether-EtOAc = 5:1) to yield 260 mg, 45% 2-steps (combined *E/Z* isomers), *E*-isomer (160 mg): $[\alpha]_D = -35^\circ$ (c 7.5, DCM, 25 °C); IR (film) 3437, 3091, 3031, 2925, 2858, 1756, 1495, 1454 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (700 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 – 7.26 (m, 12H), 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 7.16 (t, *J* = 8 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 6 Hz, 2H), 5.11 – 5.06 (m, 2H), 4.67 (dd, *J* = 7, 2 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (d, *J* = 15 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.53 – 4.48 (m, 2H), 4.42 (d, *J* = 11 Hz, 1H), 4.12 – 4.07 (m, 1H), 4.04 – 3.99 (m, 1H), 3.98 (t, *J* = 10 Hz, 1H), 3.71 – 3.61 (m, 2H), 3.50 (dd, *J* = 8, 2 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.2, 146.7, 137.5, 137.2, 137.1, 135.2, 128.7, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 128.0, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 77.3, 76.5, 76.4, 74.2, 73.5, 70.3, 69.8, 56.1, 46.5.



(*Z*)-3-benzyl-5-((1*R*,2*R*)-1,3-bis(benzyloxy)-2-hydroxypropyl)-2-oxooxazolidine-4carbaldehyde *O*-benzyl oxime (*Z*-19): *Z*-isomer (75 mg): $[\alpha]_D = -46^\circ$ (c 2.9, DCM, 27 °C); IR (film) 3437, 3091, 3031, 2923, 2867, 1755, 1496, 1454 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (700 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 – 7.24 (m, 16H), 7.22 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (t, *J* = 8 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 6.71 (d, *J* = 6 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (t, *J* = 6 Hz, 1H), 4.60 (dd, *J* = 6, 1 Hz, 1H), 4.55 – 4.46 (m, 3H), 4.36 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (d, *J* = 15 Hz, 1H), 4.01 – 3.96 (m, 1H), 3.63 (dd, *J* = 10, 3 Hz, 1H), 3.57 – 3.54 (m, 2H), 2.32 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.5, 149.4, 137.6, 137.6, 136.5, 135.2, 128.7, 128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.4, 128.2, 128.0, 128.0, 128.0, 128.0, 128.0, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.7, 127.4, 78.4, 76.5, 76.4, 74.1, 73.4, 70.4, 69.7, 52.6, 47.3.

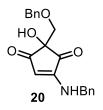


(*E*)-3-benzyl-5-((1*R*,2*S*)-1,3-bis(benzyloxy)-2-hydroxypropyl)-2-oxo oxazolidine-4carbaldehyde *O*-benzyl oxime (*5S-E-19*): A solution of ketone-**15** in benzene (50 mg, 0.087mmol, 1.75 mL, 0.05M) was added AIBN (3.8 mg, 0.27 eq) and degassed by 3x freeze-pump-thaw cycles), backfilled with argon and heated at reflux 4h. A separate flask containing a solution of Bu₃SnH-benzene (0.750 mL, 0.092 mmol, 0.12 M, 1.07 eq) was added AIBN (2.4 mg, 0.014 mmol) and carefully degassed (3 x freeze-pump-thaw cycles and backfilled with argon) then added dropwise over 1h via syringe. After 15h, TLC indicated reaction complete. The reaction was cooled to room temperature, then diluted with CH₃CN (3 mL) and washed with hexanes (1 x 30 mL), the CH₃CN layer was separated and the volatiles were removed *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc = 2:1) provided pure **5***R***-***E***-19** (30 mg, 60 % yield) and **5***S E***-19** (6 mg, 12 % yield); [α]_D = -41° (c 0.4, DCM, 27 °C); IR (film) 3437, 3091, 3031, 2925, 2858, 1755, 1495, 1454 cm^{-1. 1}H NMR (700 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41 – 7.23 (m, 19H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (dd, *J* = 6, 3 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 4.68 – 4.61 (m, 2H), 4.56 (d, *J* = 11 Hz, 1H), 4.53 (dd, *J* = 7, 5 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (d, *J* = 15 Hz, 1H), 3.95 – 3.91 (m, 1H), 3.58 – 3.56 (m, 1H), 3.56 – 3.53 (m, 2H), 2.21 (d, *J* = 6 Hz, 1H). 13 C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.2, 156.4, 146.7, 128.7, 128.5, 128.5, 128.2, 128.0, 77.7, 76.5, 76.3, 74.4, 73.4, 70.7, 69.1, 56.5, 46.5.



(*E*)-3-benzyl-5-((*S*)-1,3-bis(benzyloxy)-2-oxopropyl)-2-oxooxazolidine-4-carbaldehyde *O*-benzyl oxime(**15**): Aldoxime *E*-**19** (500 mg, 0.86 mmol) was dissolved in EtOAc (8.33 mL, 0.103 M) and added IBX (615.4 mg, 2.20 mmol, 2.55 eq). The resulting suspension was heated 6 h at 75 - 80 °C when TLC (Hexane-EtOAc = 2:1) indicated the reaction was complete. The reaction was cooled to room temperature, diluted with 1 mL EtOAc and the IBX & IBA-byproduct(s) were filtered off through 1 inch of silica gel topped with celite and washed with EtOAc (3 x 1 mL). The volatiles were removed *in vacuo* resulting in pure *E*-**15** as a colorless oil (490 mg, 98% yield). [α]_D = -53° (c 2.5, DCM, 25 °C); IR (film) 3064, 3031, 2927, 2871, 1761, 1737, 1496, 1454, 1416 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45 – 7.17 (m, 17H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 2H), 7.00 – 6.94 (m, 1H), 5.10 – 5.02 (m, 2H), 4.71 (d, *J* = 15 Hz, 1H), 4.64 – 4.57 (m, 2H), 4.53 – 4.43 (m, 3H), 4.37 – 4.28 (m, 2H), 4.06 – 4.01 (m, 1H), 3.92 (d, *J* = 15 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (d, *J* = 2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz,

CDCl₃) δ 206.3, 156.4, 145.8, 136.9, 136.9, 135.5, 134.9, 128.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 128.1, 81.3, 77.2, 76.6, 76.3, 74.2, 73.5, 55.6, 46.5. HR-ESI (+)-MS: Theoretical C₂₀H₁₉NO₄ [M+H]⁺ = m/z 338.13868; Observed [M+H]⁺ = m/z 338.13890.



(±)-4-(benzylamino)-2-((benzyloxy)methyl)-2-hydroxycyclopent-4-ene-1,3-dione (**20**): A dry flask containing Mg turnings (2.4 mg, 0.1 mmol, 2 eq) was subjected to 3 x evacuate/backfill cycles with argon and stirred vigorously for 1.5 h to activate. Then anhydrous NiCl₂ (1.3 mg, 0.01 mmol, 0.2 eq) was added under argon followed by **15** as a THF solution (0.250 mL, 0.050 mmol, 0.2M) and TMSCI (0.038 mL, 32 mg, 0.3 mmol, 6 eq). The mixture was stirred 4h at room temperature then heated at reflux 12h. TLC (Hexane-EtOAc = 3:2) indicated reaction complete. The reaction was cooled to room temperature and added 1M HCl (1 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 x 5 mL), organics washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (2 x 2 mL), washed with brine and dried over Na₂SO₄ filtered and volatiles removed *in vacuo*. The title compound was obtained pure after flash chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc = 2:1) to provide **20** (5.5 mg, 32% yield). [α]_D = 0° (c 1.0, DCM, 25 °C); IR (film) 3366, 3306, 2919, 2851, 1751, 1682, 1608 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (700 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42 – 7.21 (m, 10 H), 6.00 (s, 1H), 5.85 (brs, 1 H), 4.55 – 4.48

(m, 1H), 4.47 – 4.40 (m, 1H), 3.75 (d, J = 9 Hz, 1 H), 3.73 (d, J = 9 Hz, 1 H), 2.92 (brs, 1H). ¹³C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 197.7, 196.3, 158.2, 137.2, 135.1, 129.2, 128.5, 128.4, 127.8, 127.6, 127.5, 110.5, 73.8, 73.7, 71.0, 48.2. HR-ESI (+)-MS: Theoretical C₂₀H₁₉NO₄ [M+H]⁺ = m/z 338.13868; Observed [M+H]⁺ = m/z 338.13890.

Synthesis of benzyl ((2*S*,3*R*,4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-5-(benzyloxy)-2,4-bis((tert-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)-6-(hydroxymethyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-3-yl)carbamate (**5**): Benzylidene **4** (20 g, 31.78 mmol) was dissolved in dry DCM (252.7 mL, 0.125 M) under argon and cooled to -78°C. Et₃SiH (15.2 mL, 11.1 g, 95.3 mmol) was then added under argon followed by a dropwise addition of a solution of 1M Bu₂BOTf –DCM (65.1 mL, 65.1 mmol, 1M, 2.05 eq). The reaction was stirred 3.5 h at -78 °C when TLC (Hexane-EtOAc = 4:1) indicated reaction complete. The reaction was quenched at -78 °C with Et₃N (61 mL, 45 g, 444 mmol, 14 eq), then dropwise added MeOH (61 mL). The reaction mixture was allowed to warm slowly to -20 °C over 12 h, then warmed to room temperature and filtered through a 2 x 2 inch pad of SiO₂ and the volatiles were removed *in vacuo*. MeOH (3 x 100mL) was added and evaporated by rotovapor to remove any boron adducts. The residue was chromatographed over SiO₂, (Hexane-Et₂O = 100:0; 5:1, 2:1) to provide pure **5** (15.7 g, 87% yield). [α]_D = -4° (c 8.7, DMSO, 24 °C). IR (film): cm⁻¹ 3349, 3033, 2954, 2929, 2884, 2856, 1709; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 – 7.27 (m, 10H), 5.05 (s, 2H), 4.90 (brd, *J* =

8 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (brd, J = 9 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (m, 1H), 3.79 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (brd, J = 11 Hz, 1H), 3.44 – 3.36 (m, 2H), 3.26 – 3.13 (m, 1H), 0.89 – 0.83 (m, 18H), 0.11 – -0.03 (m, 12H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.5, 138.1, 136.2, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.6, 127.3, 95.4, 79.3, 75.0, 74.5, 73.9, 66.7, 62.2, 61.2, 25.8, 25.5, 18.0, 17.8, -4.0, -4.1, -4.5, -5.3. HR-ESI (+) MS: Theoretical C₃₃H₅₄NO₇Si₂ [M+H]⁺ = m/z 632.3433; Observed [M+H]⁺ = m/z 632.33078.

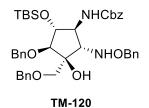
Synthesis of benzyl ((2*S*,3*R*,4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-5-(benzyloxy)-6-((benzyloxy)methyl)-2,4-bis((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-3-yl)carbamate (**6**): Sodium hydride (4.06 g, 0.102 mol, 4.75 eq, 60% in min. oil) in a dry 3-neck flask under argon equipped with a thermometer, was washed with dry hexanes (1 x 30 mL) to remove the mineral oil. An-hydrous DMF (43 mL) was added and the mixture was cooled to -45 °C. A separate flask containing **5** (13.5 g, 0.021 mol) under argon was dissolved in THF (65 mL) then *slowly* transferred into NaH-DMF at -45 °C such that the internal temperature remained stable between -45 °C and -40 °C. Additional anhydrous THF (20 mL) was used to transfer the residual **5** into the NaH-DMF. BnBr was then added slowly under argon at this temperature (no exotherm was observed). Reaction was warmed to -25 °C and mild gas evolution was apparent. The reaction was incubated at -25 °C to -20 °C for 4h and quenched

with a saturated solution of NaHCO₃ (100 mL) at -20 °C and warmed to room temperature with vigorous stirring. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (2 x 300 mL), the organic layers combined and washed with water (5 x 500 mL), brine (1 x 75 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and the volatiles removed *in vacuo*. The residue was pure by flash chromatography (H-E=100:0; 20:1) to yield pure **6** (8.5 g, 55% yield); $[\alpha]_D = +9^\circ$ (c 1.65, DMSO, 24 °C). IR (film): 3349, 3065, 3032, 2952, 2928, 2887, 2856, 1709 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 – 7.23 (m, 15H), 5.07 (brs, 2H), 4.88 (brd, J = 7 Hz, 1H), 4.83 – 4.74 (m, 2H), 4.63 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.56 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (m, 1H), 3.69 (brs, 2H), 3.54 - 3.47 (m, 2H), 3.32 - 3.19 (m, 1H), 0.93 - 0.83 (m, 18H), 0.18 – -0.04 (m, 12H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.5, 138.3, 136.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.5, 127.4, 127.3, 127.2, 95.4, 79.4, 74.7, 74.2, 74.1, 73.3, 69.1, 66.6, 61.0, 25.8, 25.62, 18.0, 17.9, -4.0, -4.1, -4.6, -5.3; HR-ESI (+)-MS: Theoretical $C_{40}H_{60}NO_7Si_2^+[M+H]^+ = m/z$ 722.39028; Observed $[M+H]^+ = m/z$ 722.39292. The pure over-alkylated side product SI-3 was also obtained 6 g, 34% yield. SI-3 HR-ESI (+)-MS: Theoretical $C_{47}H_{66}NO_7Si_2^+[M+H]^+ = m/z 812.43723$; Observed $[M+H]^+ = m/z 812.43836$.

Synthesis of benzyl ((3*R*,4*R*,5*R*,6*R*)-5-(benzyloxy)-6-((benzyloxy)methyl)-4-((tertbutyldimethylsilyl)oxy)-2-hydroxytetrahydro-2H-pyran-3-yl)carbamate (**SI-4**): Under argon, 6 (7 g, 9.7 mmol) was dissolved in dry THF (39 mL) and cooled to 0 °C, stirred 20 m at this temperature, then a 1M solution of TBAF-THF (9.6 mL, 9.6 mmol, 0.98 eq) was slowly added and the reaction stirred 15 m at 0 °C. TLC (Hexane-EtOAc = 2 : 1) indicated reaction complete. The reaction was diluted with Et₂O (300 mL), then washed with water (3 x 300 mL), dried over Na_2SO_4 , and solvents removed in vacuo. Crude (5.3 g) can be carried into the next reaction without further purification, or pure lactol can be obtained by flash chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc = 4:1, 2:1). IR (film): 3410, 3035, 2929, 2859, 1698 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 – 7.15 (m, 16H), 5.23 (brs, 1H), 5.14 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (brd, J = 10 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.57 – 4.48 (m, 3H), 4.08 – 4.00 (m, 1H), 3.92 – 3.86 (m, 2H), 3.67 - 3.60 (m, 2H), 3.48 - 3.42 (m, 1H), 3.03 (brs, 1H), 0.92 - 0.83 (m, 9H), 0.10 - -0.02 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.8, 138.0, 137.8, 136.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 127.8, 127.7, 127.5, 127.4, 92.5, 79.1, 74.7, 73.4, 72.6, 71.2, 69.0, 67.0, 55.8, 25.8, 17.8, -4.0, -4.2; ESI (+)-MS: Theoretical $C_{34}H_{46}NO_7SiNa^+$ [M+Na]⁺ = m/z 630.28575; Observed $[M+H]^+ = m/z 630.28560$.

Synthesis of benzyl ((5*S*,6*R*,*E*)-6-((1*R*,2*R*)-1,3-bis(benzyloxy)-2-hydroxypropyl)-8,8,9,9tetramethyl-1-phenyl-2,7-dioxa-3-aza-8-siladec-3-en-5-yl)carbamate (**7**): A suspension of

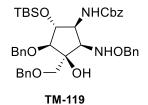
BnONH₃Cl (2.77 g, 17.5 mmol, 2.0 eq) in pyridine (50 mL) was added lactol SI-4 (5.3 g, 8.73 mmol), then stirred at room temperature 48 h. The reaction was diluted with Et₂O (300 mL), washed with 0.1M HCl (2 x 350 mL), water (3 x 350 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ (50 mL), water (1 x 100 mL), brine (50 mL) and dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and volatiles removed *in vacuo*. The title compound was obtained pure after flash chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc = 100:0, 100:10, 80:10) as a mixture of E/Z-isomers (ratio 7:3) 7 (4 g, 64% yield). [a]_D = +1° (c 10, DMSO, 24 °C); IR (film): 3434, 3065, 3032, 2953, 2929, 2884, 2857, 1725 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.61 (d, J = 3 Hz, 1H), 7.45 – 7.12 (m, 20H), 5.66 (d, J = 7 Hz, 1H), 5.21 – 5.05 (m, 3H), 5.02 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.67 – 4.61 (m, 1H), 4.60 – 4.36 (m, 5H), 4.32 (brs, 1H), 3.98 – 3.87 (m, 1H), 3.69 – 3.53 (m, 3H), 2.66 (brs, 1H), 0.92 – 0.79 (m, 9H), 0.35 – -0.41 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) § 156.0, 152.8, 148.5, 138.2, 137.9, 137.4, 137.0, 136.4, 136.3, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.2, 128.0, 127.9, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 79.2, 77.7, 73.4, 73.3, 72.9, 72.6, 71.4, 70.9, 70.5, 67.0, 66.9, 53.1, 49.9, 25.9, 18.0, -4.6. HR-ESI (+)-MS: Theoretical $C_{41}H_{53}N_2O_7Si^+$ [M+H]⁺ = m/z 713.36165 Observed $[M+H]^{+} = m/z 713.36285.$



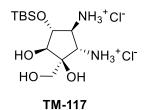
Synthesis of benzyl ((1S,2S,3S,4S,5R)-4-(benzyloxy)-2-((benzyloxy)amino)-3-

((benzyloxy)methyl)-5-((tert-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)-3-hydroxycyclopentyl)carbamate (TM-120): Oxalyl chloride (0.241 mL, 0.356 g, 2.8 mmol, 2 eq) was added to a flame dried round bottom flask under argon, then THF (5.4 mL) was added and cooled to -78 °C then stirred 15 min at this temperature. A solution of DMSO (0.40 mL, 5.6 mmol, 4 eq) in THF (2.4 mL) was slowly added under argon at -78°C, stirred 15m at this temperature, then the alcohol 7 (1 g, 1.4 mmol) in THF (7 mL, 0.2M) was slowly added and stirred 30 m before warming to -60 °C and stirring at this temperature for another 30 m. The reaction was added DIPEA (1.4 mL, 8 mmol, 5.7 eq). The reaction was warmed to -35 °C and stirred 1h at this temperature. Additional DIPEA (1.4 mL, 8 mmol, 5.7 eg) added and reaction stirred at -20 °C for 45 h. TLC (Hexane-EtOAc = 3:1) indicated reaction completion. The mixture was diluted with THF (38 mL, 0.025 M) and was then degassed thoroughly via 3- freeze-pump-thaw cycles and stirred at -78 °C under argon. To a separate oven dried flask was added t-BuOH (0.671 mL, 7.018 mmol, 5 eq) and sparged with argon for 2 min then added to a flask containing freshly prepared Sml₂-THF (0.1M, 49.1 mL, 4.91 mmol, 3.5 eq) at 0 °C stirred 15 m at this temperature, then cooled to -78 °C. The Swern suspension was cannula transferred slowly into the SmI₂-t-BuOH –THF solution at -78 °C warmed slowly to -20 °C over 12 h. TLC (Hexane-EtOAc – 3:1) indicated reaction complete (the reaction remained dark blue-green). The reaction was quenched at -50 °C by passing dry air into the reaction mixture and the color changed from dark bluegreen to yellow. The reaction stirred 20 m, then warmed to -20 °C and added a 1:1 ratio of saturated solution of Rochelle's salt-NaHCO₃ (pH = 8.5; 57 mL, 1:1, *40 mL/mmol sub-

strate) and warmed to room temperature. The organics were separated and the aqueous was extracted with Et₂O (2 x 150mL), until TLC indicated no organic products remained. Organics were combined and washed with $10\% Na_2S_2O_3$ (1 x 100 mL) then brine (20 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered, and volatiles removed *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (Hexane-EtOAc = 100:0; 50:10, 40:10) to provide TM-120 $(400 \text{ mg}); [\alpha]_{D} = -7^{\circ} (c 1, DMSO, 24 ^{\circ}C); IR (film) 3328, 3065, 3031, 2927, 2855, 1703 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 – 7.19 (m, 20H), 6.21 (brs, 1H), 5.12 (m, 2H), 4.94 (d, J = 9 Hz, 2H), 4.72 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (d, J = 11 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.56 (d, J = 11 Hz, 1H), 4.53 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (t, J = 7 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (dd, J = 16, 7 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (d, J = 7 Hz, 1H), 3.56 (dd, J = 10 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (d, J = 10 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (d, J = 7 Hz, 1H), 3.13 (s, 1H), 0.91 (s, 9H), 0.09 (s, 3H), 0.07 (s, 3H).¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.9, 137.7, 137.7, 137.6, 136.4, 128.6, 128.4, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.7, 127.1, 85.0, 79.7, 76.3, 74.1, 73.7, 72.3, 71.6, 66.8, 57.3, 25.7, 17.9, -4.5, -4.6. HR-ESI (+)-MS: Theoretical C₄₁H₅₃N₂O₇Si⁺ [M+H]⁺ = m/z 713.36165 Observed $[M+H]^+ = m/z$ 713.36215.



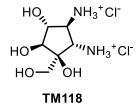
TM-119 (350 mg) $[\alpha]_D = -6^\circ$ (c 1, DMSO, 24 °C); IR (film) 3414, 3089, 3064, 3031, 2952, 2928, 2884, 2856, 1726 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃)) δ 7.42 – 7.17 (m, 20H), 5.98 (brs, 1H), 5.26 (d, J = 10 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (dd, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (dd, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 4.77 – 4.56 (m, 4H), 4.50 (d, J = 11 Hz, 1H), 4.47 (d, J = 11 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (td, J = 10, 5 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (dd, J = 7, 5 Hz, 1H), 3.80 – 3.72 (m, 2H), 3.70 (d, J = 9 Hz, 1H), 3.59 (d, J = 9 Hz, 1H), 2.85 – 2.58 (m, 1H), 0.87 (s, 9H), 0.22 – -0.24 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 155.8, 138.4, 136.7, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 128.3, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.6, 127.5, 88.8, 81.6, 80.9, 77.2, 77.0, 76.8, 75.9, 74.1, 73.0, 69.3, 66.4, 65.8, 56.3, 25.7, 17.9, -4.7, -4.9. HR-ESI (+)-MS: Theoretical C₄₁H₅₃N₂O₇Si⁺ [M+H]⁺ = m/z 713.36165; Observed [M+H]⁺ = 713.36201.



Synthesis of (1S,2S,3R,4S,5S)-4,5-diamino-3-((tert-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy)-1-

(hydroxymethyl)cyclopentane-1,2-diol - dihydrochloride salt (TM-117): A solution of **8** (8 mg, 0.0112 mmol) in EtOH (0.200 mL, 0.056 M) was cooled in an ice-bath and stirred 10 min. Concentrated HCl (0.005 mL, 0.058 mmol, 5.2 eq) was added followed by 10 % Pd/C (8 mg) then 10% Pd(OH)₂/C (8 mg). The flask was evacuated and back-filled 2x with H₂ gas from a balloon (double) and stirred 3h at 0°C. Consumption of starting material was monitored by TLC (Hexane-EtOAc=3:2) and ESI(+) MS. Filtered through celite (2 cm x 0.5 cm) and volatiles were removed *in vacuo* to provide TM-117 (4.05 mg 99%). [α]_D =

+26° (c 0.1, DMSO, 24 °C); IR (film) 3420, 3000, 2910, 1020 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, D₂O-CD₃OD = 5:1) δ 4.16 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (d, *J* = 7 Hz, 1H), 3.65 (s, 2H), 3.61 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 3.48 (t, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 0.80 (s, 9H), 0.08 (s, 3H), 0.07 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, D₂O-CD₃OD= 5:1) δ 77.2, 76.2, 74.9, 61.9, 58.4, 56.5, 24.9, 17.1, -5.1, -5.7. HR-ESI-MS (+): Theoretical C₁₂H₂₉N₂O₄Si [M+H]⁺ = m/z 293.18911; Observed [M+H]⁺ = m/z 293.18958.



Synthesis of (1*S*, 2*S*, 3*R*, 4*S*, 5*S*)-4,5-diamino-1-(hydroxymethyl)cyclopentane-1,2,3-triol (**TM-118**): A dry flask containing TM-117 (4.07 mg, 0.0112 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (0.100 mL) under argon, cooled to 0 °C then stirred 10 min under argon. Concentrated HCl (0.035 mL, 0.407 mmol, 36 eq) was added at 0 °C and warmed to RT. Starting material was completely consumed as monitored by ESI(+) MS (48h). Volatiles were removed *in vacuo* at 0 °C to provide TM-118 as the dihydrochloride salt (2.77 mg, 99%). [α]_D = +53° (c 0.1, DMSO, 24 °C); IR (film) 3424, 3000, 2915, 1023 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, D₂O) δ 4.15 (t, *J* = 9 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (d, *J* = 9 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (t, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, D₂O) δ 75.9, 74.9, 73.8, 61.8, 58.3, 55.4. HR-ESI (+)-MS: Theoretical C₆H₁₄N₂O₄: [M+H]⁺ = *m/z* 179.10263; Observed [M+H]⁺ = *m/z* 179.10250.

Cell Culture

A375 (CRL-1619) melanoma cells were obtained from ATCC. Cells were monolayer cultured in DMEM (Invitrogen) supplemented with 10% FBS (Atlanta Biologicals) and 1% penicillin/ streptomycin (Cellgro). Cells were maintained in 75 cm² flasks (Greiner Bio-One) in a humidified atmosphere with 5% CO₂ at 37 °C. Experiments were performed in white, opaque 96 well plates (Greiner Bio-One) and incubated under the same conditions. Cells did not exceed passage number 30.

Dose Response Curves

A375 melanoma cells (7000 cell/well in 200 μ L culture medium in a 96-well plate) were treated with pactamycin analogs at different doses (10, 5, 1, 0.5, 0.1, 0.05, 0.01, and 0.001 μ M) in triplicate for 48h. Percent viability relative to DMSO vehicle control was quantified using the CellTiter-Glo[®] 2.0 Assay (Promega) according to the manufacturer's protocol. Data were fit to a 4-parameter variable slope IC₅₀ curve using GraphPad Prism 5.0 software.

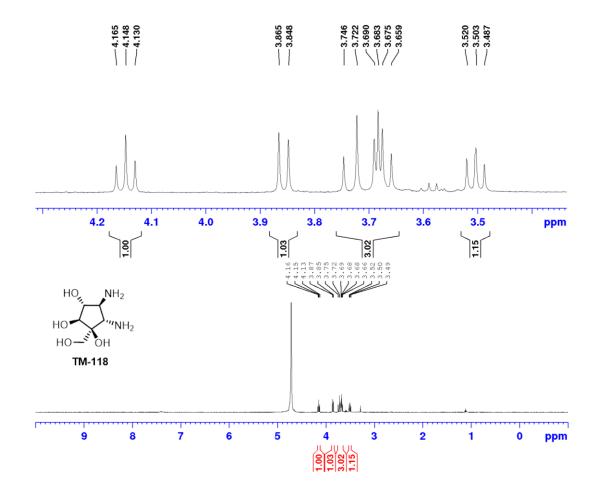


Figure 4.14. ¹H NMR data for TM-118 (D₂O).

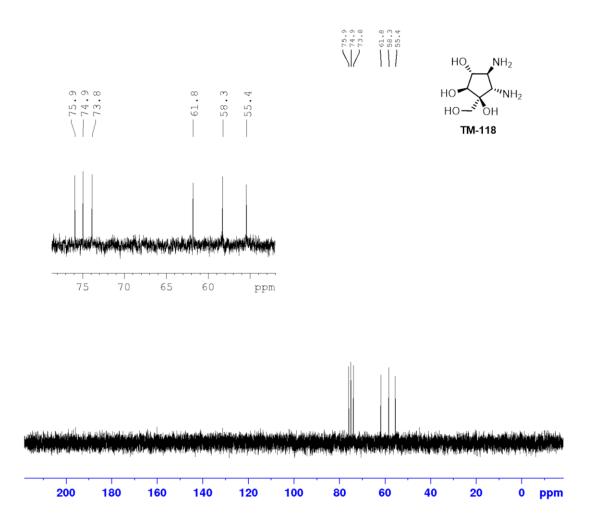


Figure 4.15. ¹³C NMR of TM-118 (D₂O)

For accompanying NMR data See Appendix C (page 242)

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Chapter 5. Conclusion

Pactamycin is a structurally complex aminocyclopentitol natural product that displays a range of diverse biological activities. Despite a basic understanding of its biosynthetic origin, details of the mode of formation of this unique natural product were still elusive. To decipher the biosynthetic pathway to pactamycin in *S. pactum* we used genetic, chemical complementation, isotopic labeling, and biochemical studies. In chapter 2 we demonstrated that 3ABA is processed by a set of discrete polyketide synthase proteins, i.e. an AMP-forming acyl-CoA synthetase (PtmS), an acyl carrier protein (ACP) (PtmI), and a β -ketoacyl-ACP synthase (PtmK), to give 3-[3-aminophenyl]3-oxopropionyl-ACP, which is then glycosylated by a broad spectrum *N*-glycosyltransferase, PtmJ. This is the first example of glycosylation of an ACP-bound polyketide intermediate in natural product biosynthesis. Additionally, we demonstrate that PtmO is a hydrolase that is responsible for the release of the glycosylated β -ketoacid product from the ACP, and the free β -ketoacid product subsequently undergoes non-enzymatic decarboxylation.

While the marked biological activity displayed by pactamycin traverses all three phylogenetic domains, the unfortunate and indiscriminate cytotoxicity towards mammalian cells has hampered its therapeutic development. Nonetheless, pactamycin is a bountiful resource of biological activity awaiting to be channeled.

In chapter 3, we report the in vivo and in vitro characterization of a KAS III-like protein (PtmR), which directly transfers a 6-MSA unit from an iterative type I polyketide synthase to the aminocyclopentitol component in pactamycin biosynthesis. We have demonstrated here that PtmR has a very relaxed substrate specificity capable of recognizing a wide array of *S*-acyl-*N*-acetylcysteamines as substrates, and we developed a chemoenzymatic process to produce a library of pactamycin analogs with diverse alkyl and aromatic features. Our results suggest that KAS III-like proteins have great potential as tools for modifying complex natural products for drug discovery.

Continuing our efforts to draw further on the bountiful activity of the aminocyclitol core of pactamycin, we have undertaken a *de novo* synthesis of the core aminocyclopentitol-ring. Our successful synthesis of this aminocyclitol could open up a diverse library of biologically active compounds. We have now demonstrated an efficient, asymmetric synthesis of several aminocyclopentitol compounds resembling the pactamycin pharmacophore believed responsible for its biological activity. As a result of our synthetic endeavor in chapter 4, we have produced four novel and biologically active aminocyclopentitols. Two of these synthetic congeners display potent anticancer activity against melanoma A375 cells.

This study not only illuminated fundamental details about the biosynthesis of an intriguing natural product, pactamycin, but also utilized that knowledge to the construction of a diverse array of new medicinally relevant compounds. Furthermore, we have employed the mechanistic tools inspired by those that nature uses to build complex molecules, to synthetically construct more accessible and also significantly bioactive molecules exemplified by TM-122 and TM-123.

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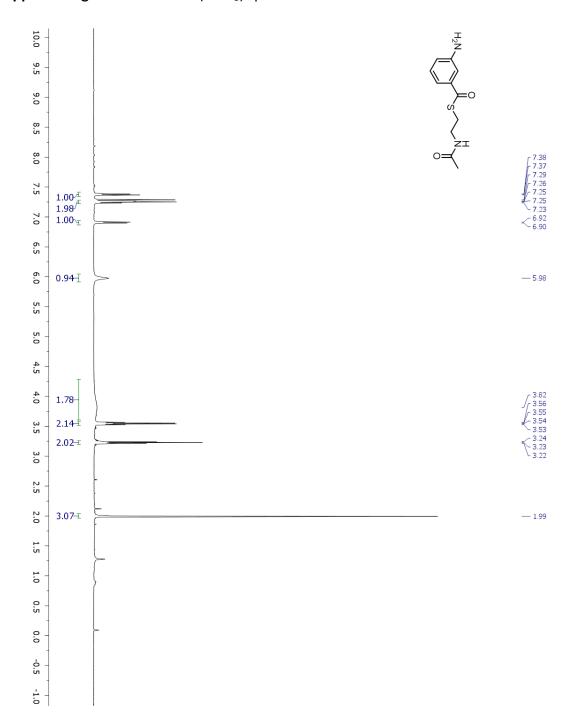
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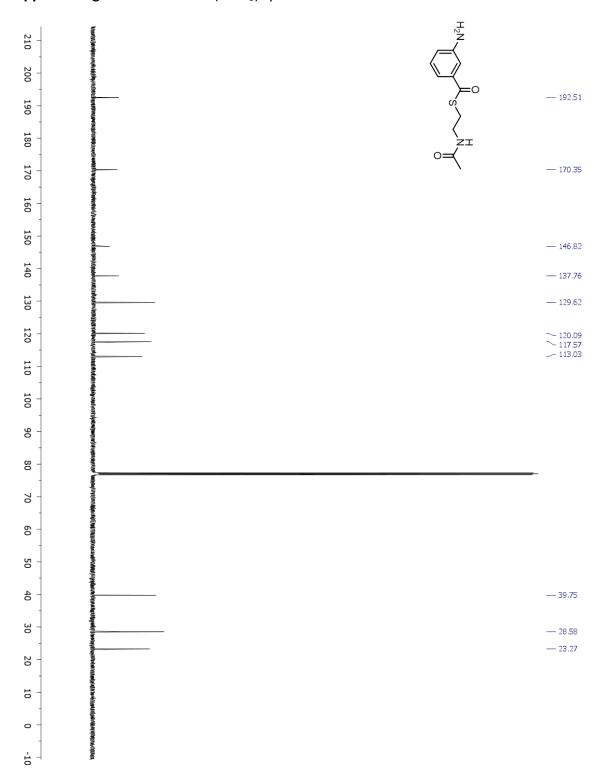
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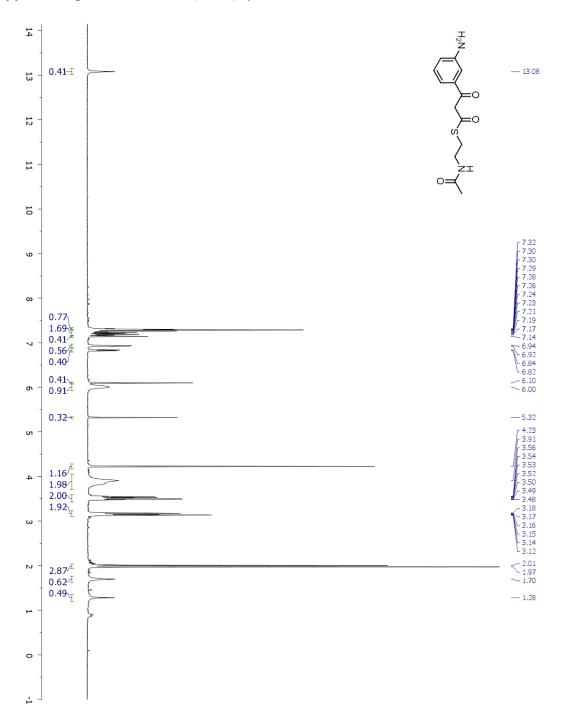
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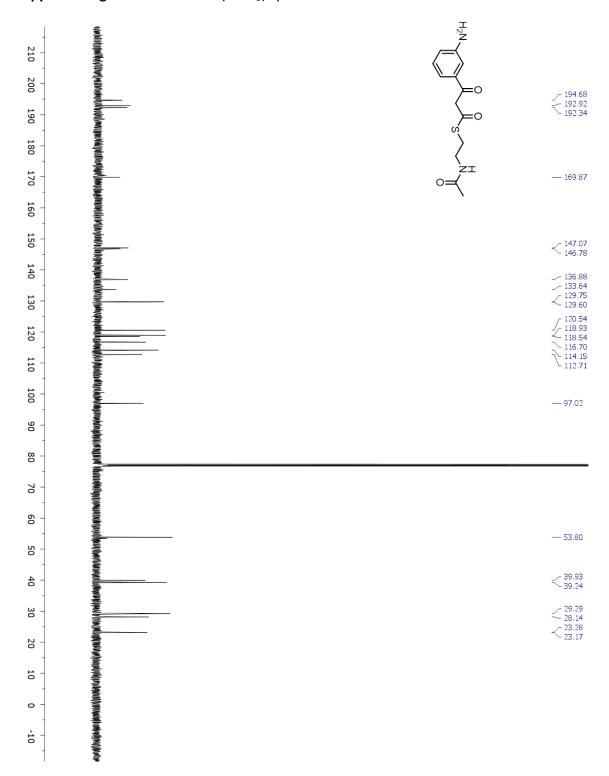
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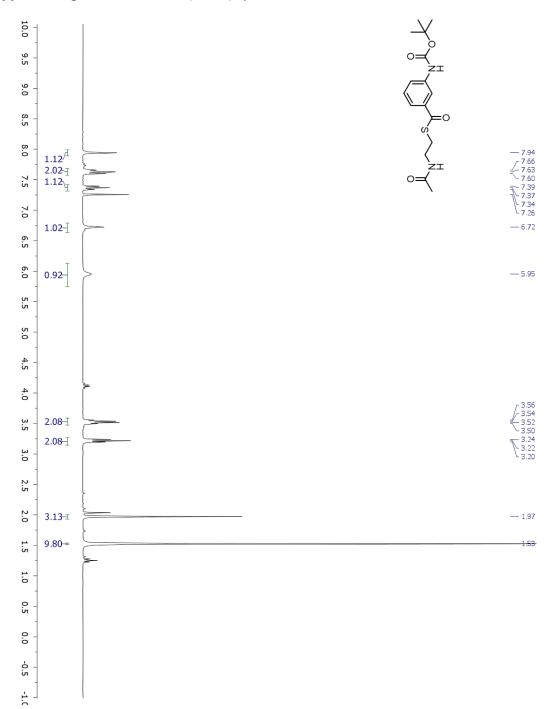
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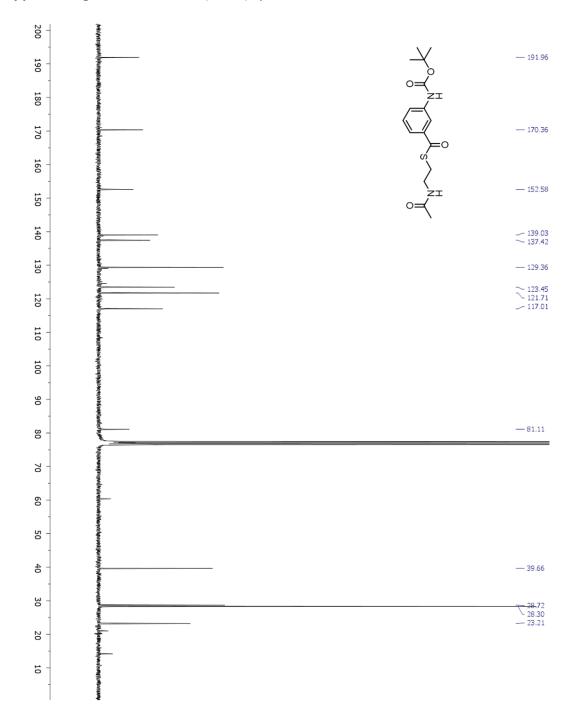
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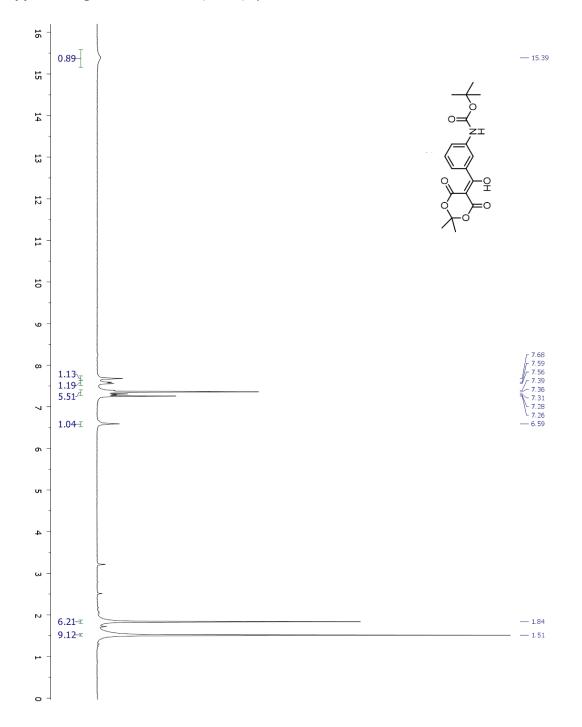
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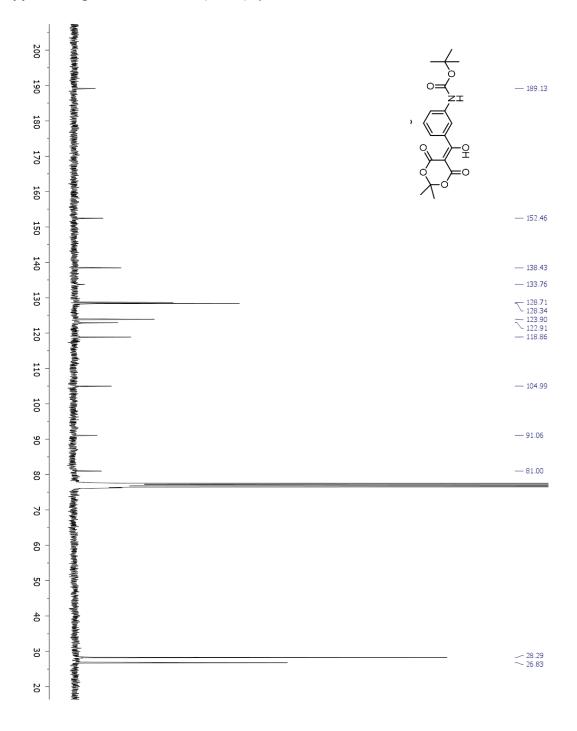
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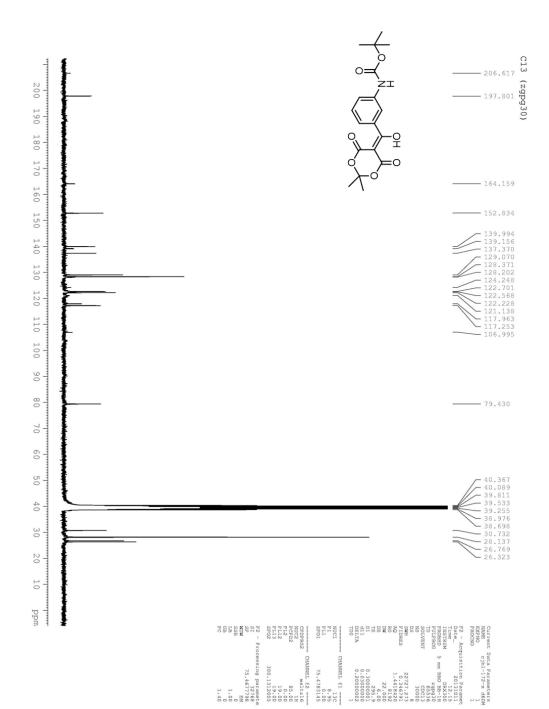
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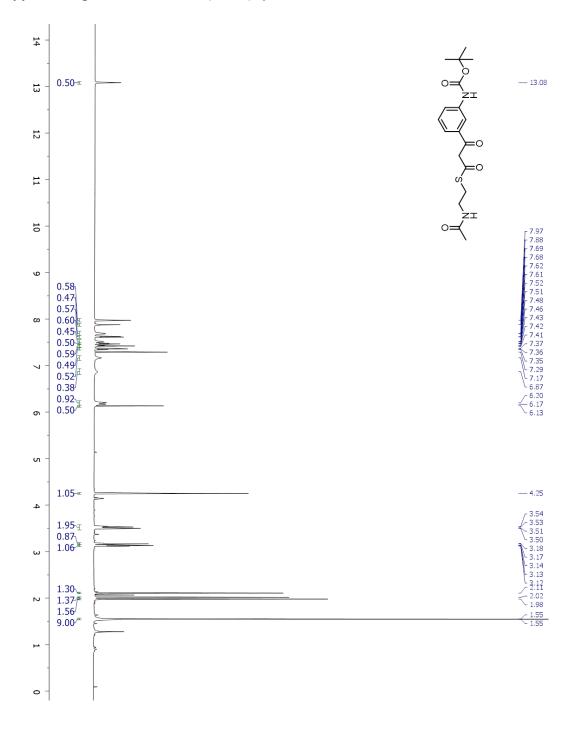
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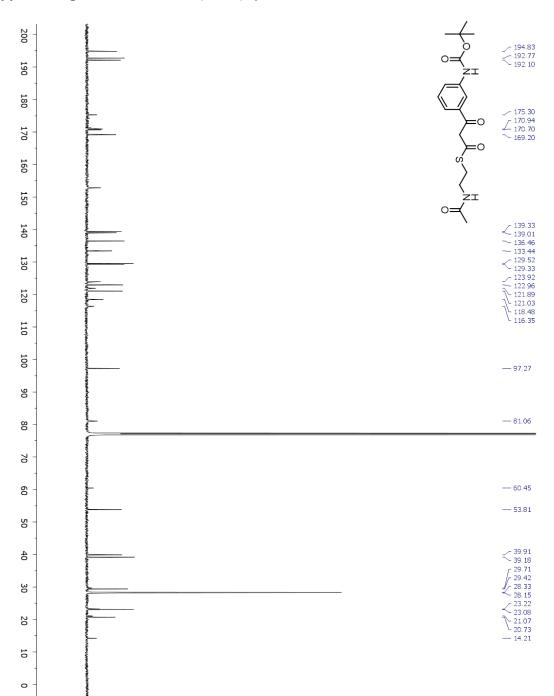
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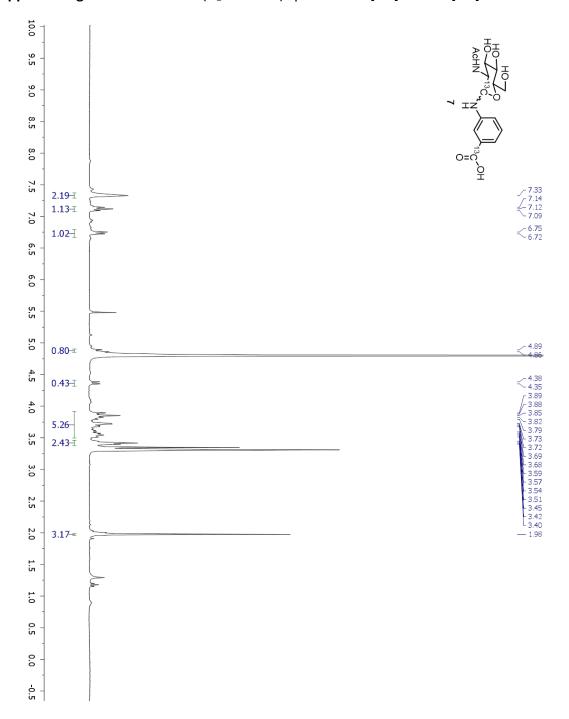
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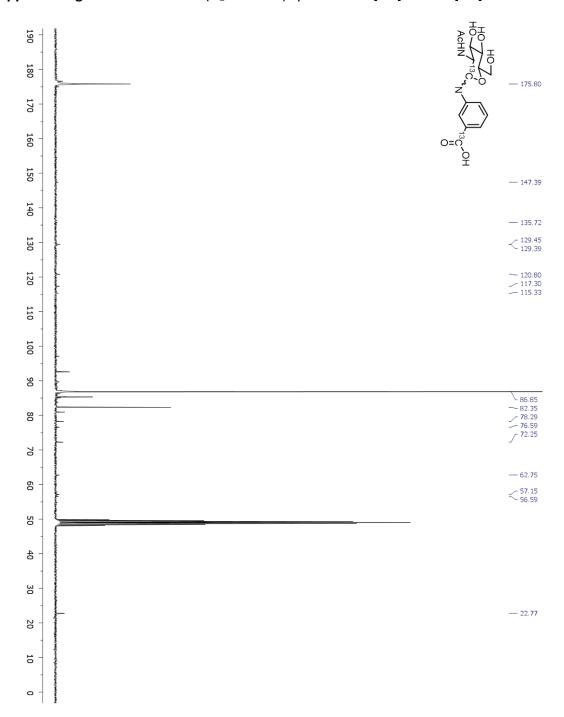
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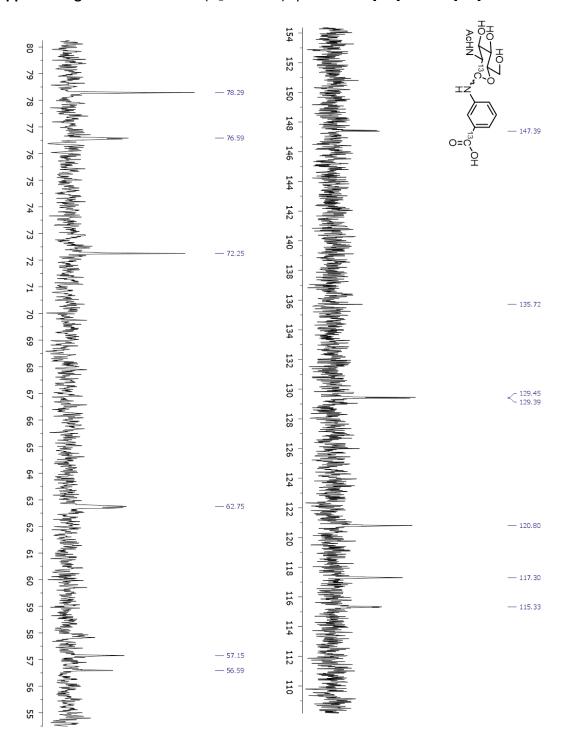
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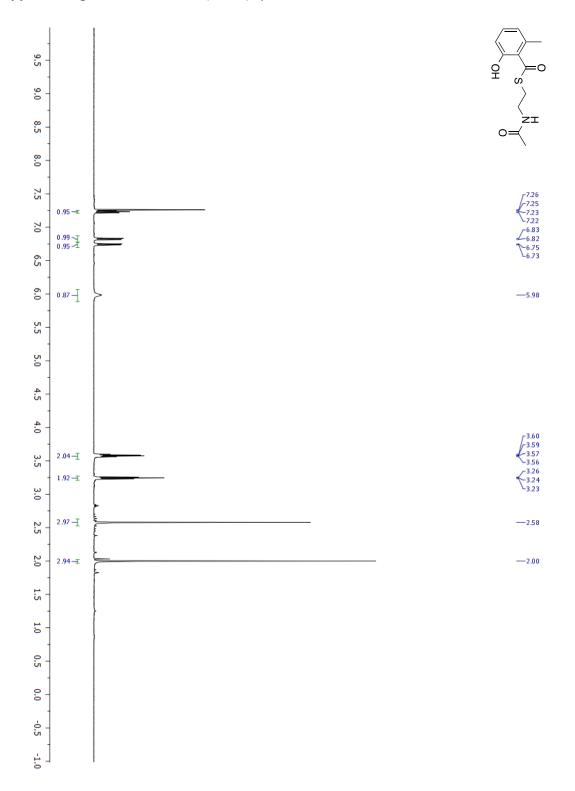


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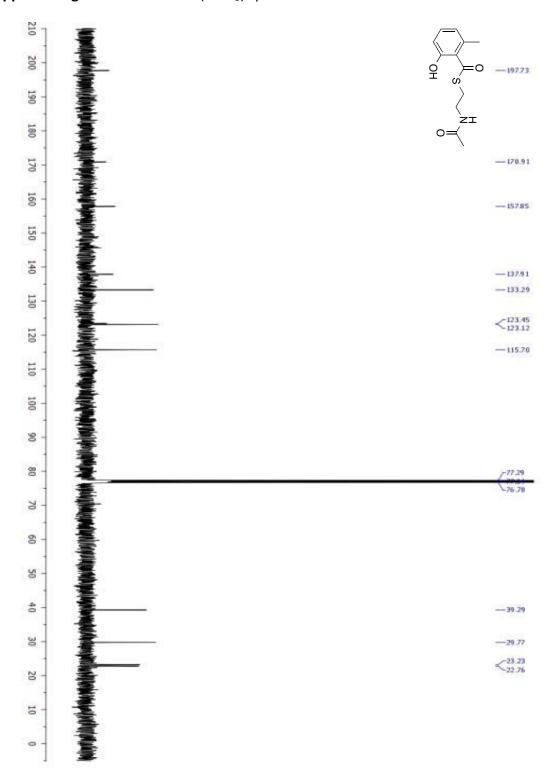


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6.2 Appendix B: Chapter 3 NMR Data

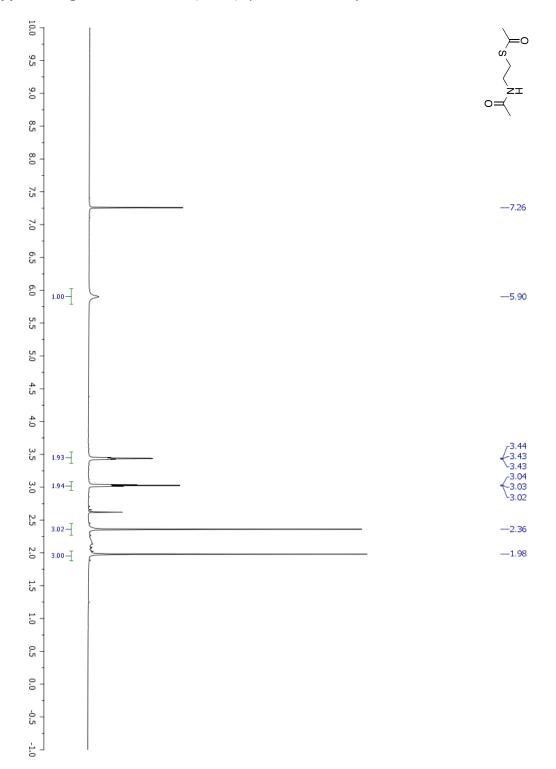


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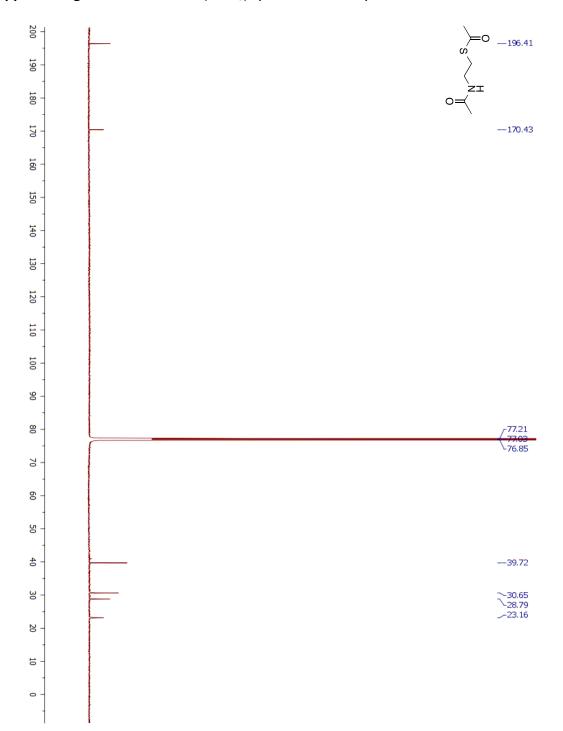


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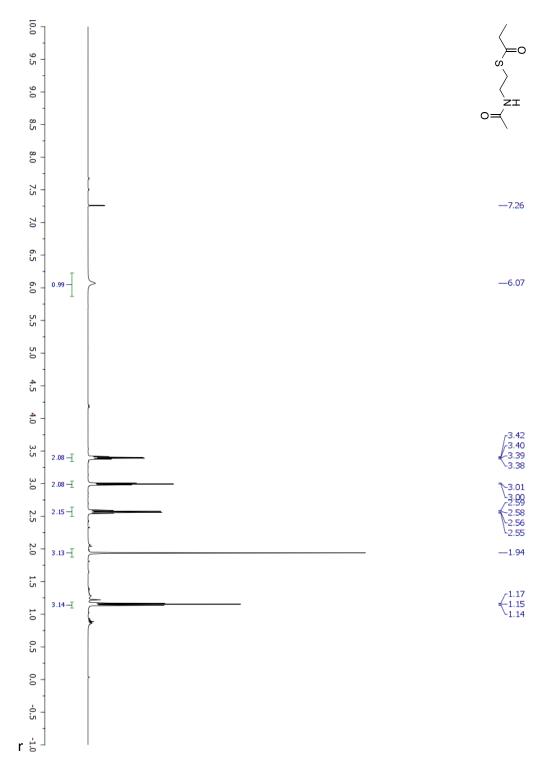
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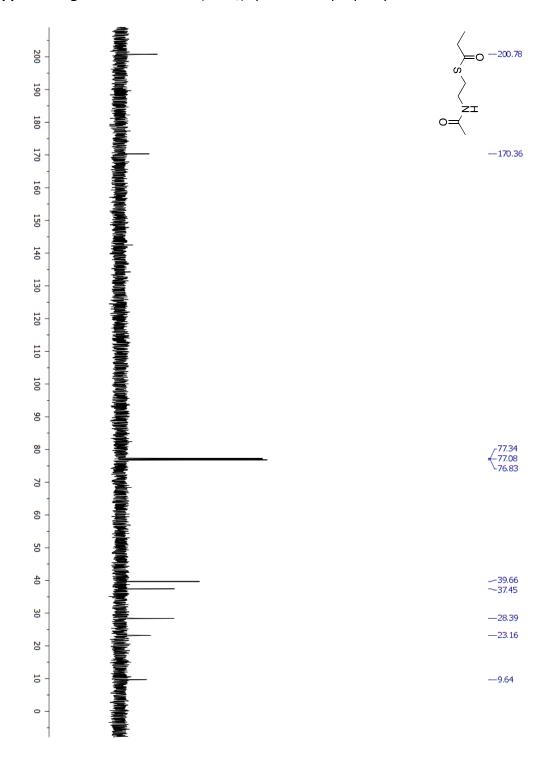
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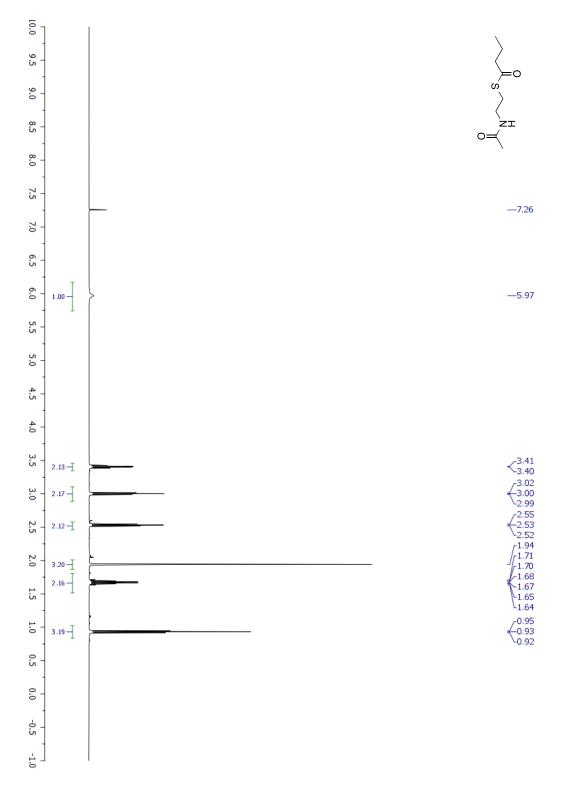
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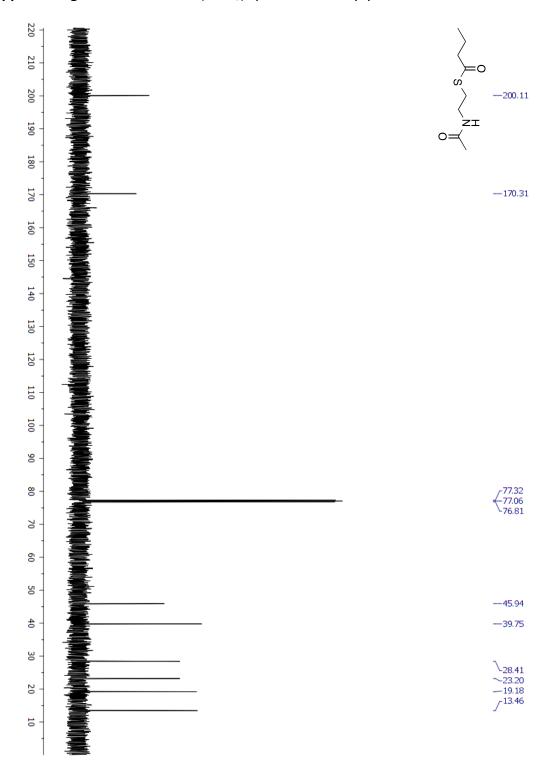
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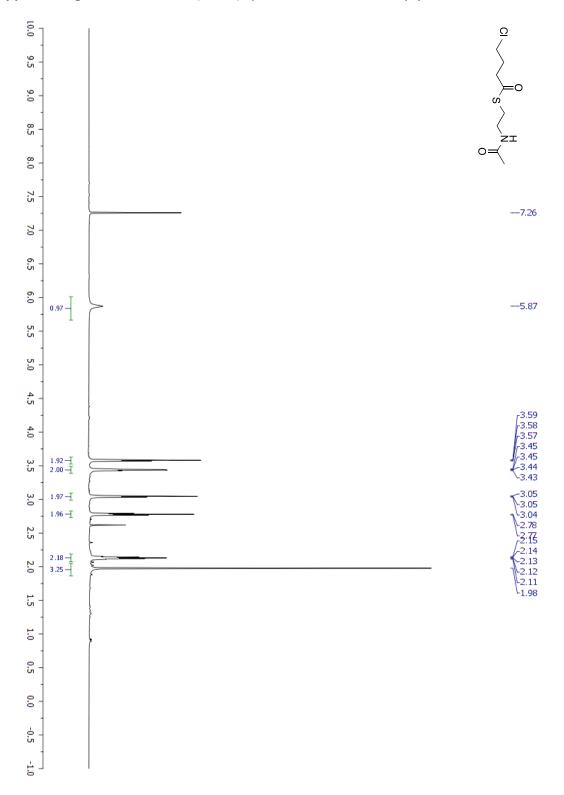
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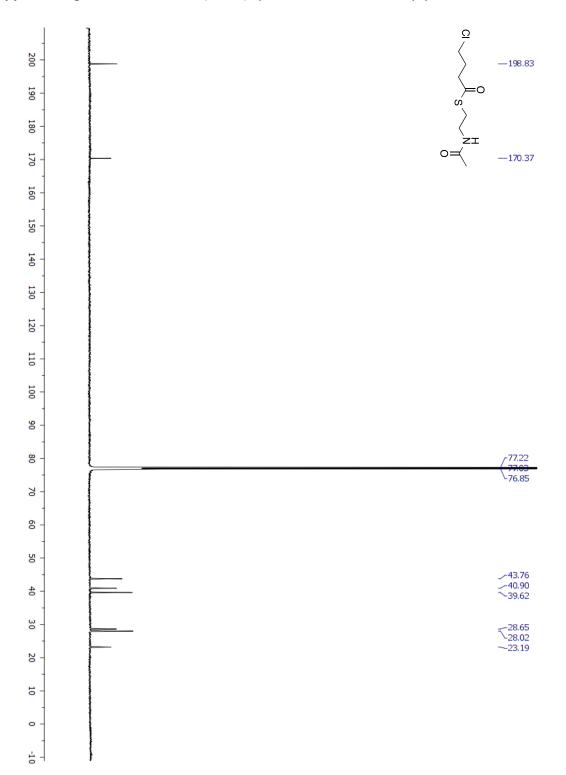
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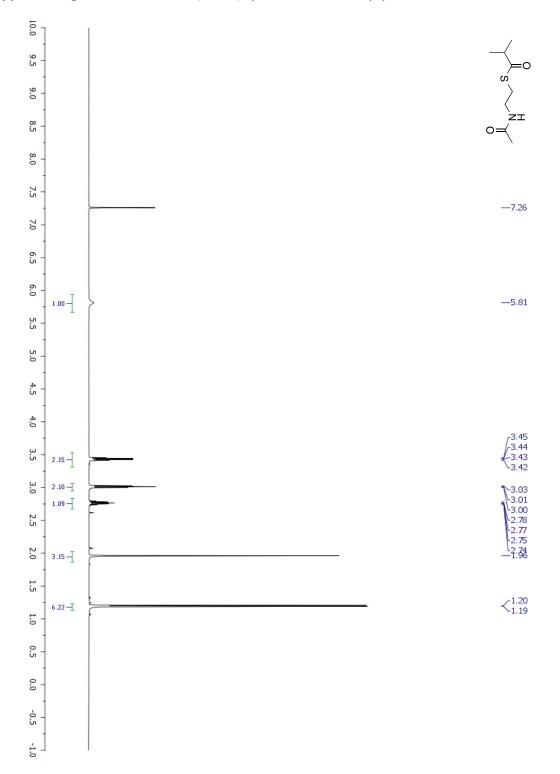
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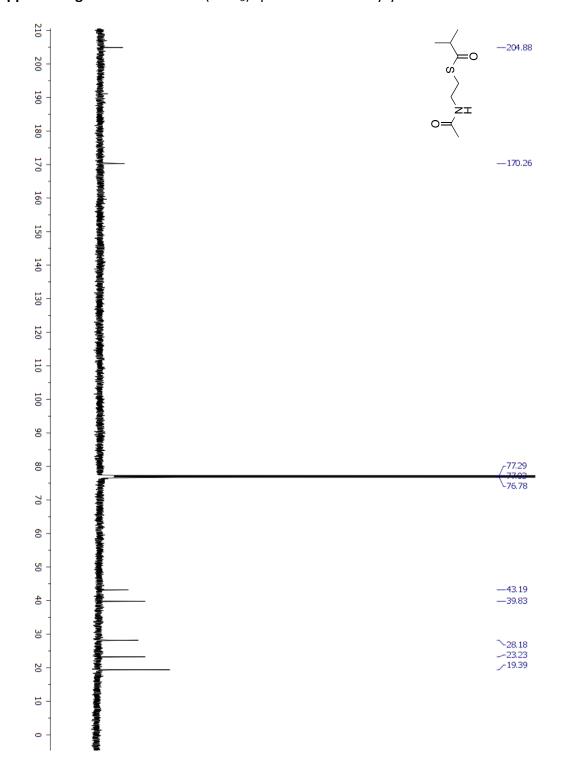
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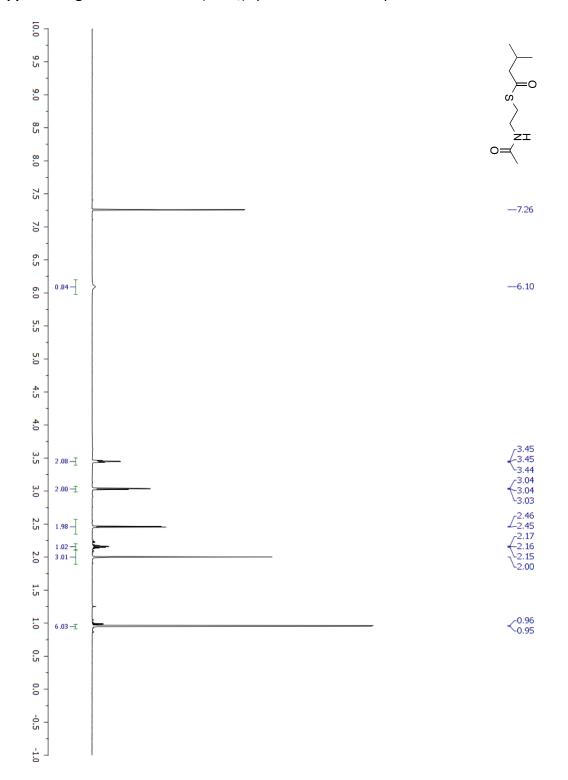
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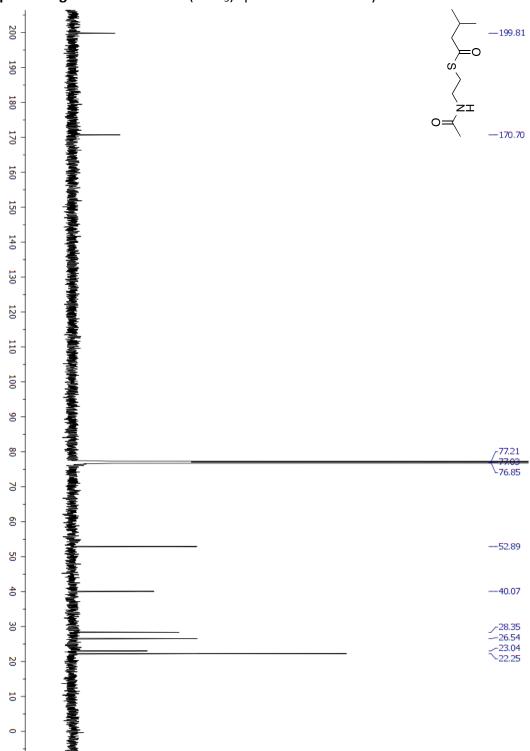
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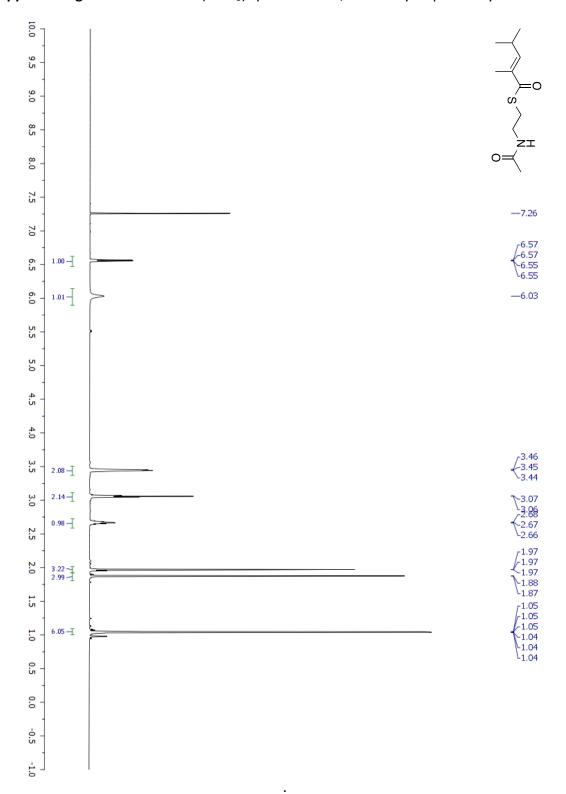
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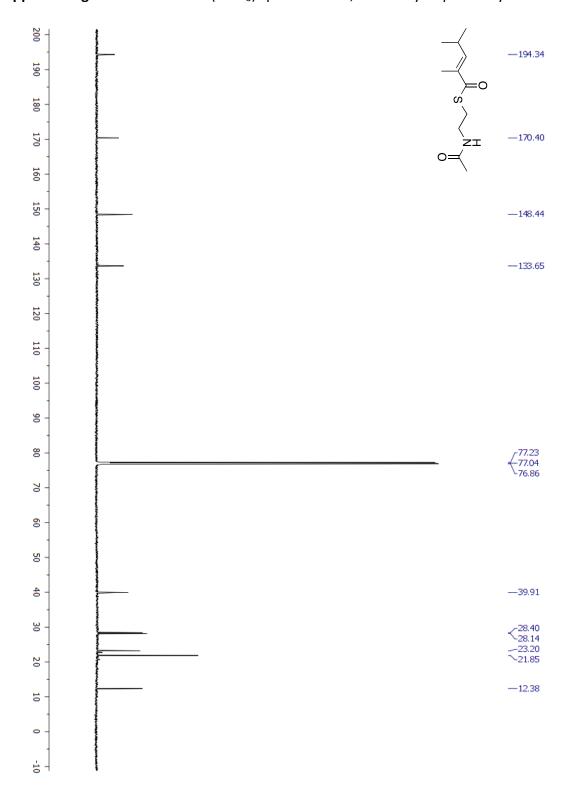
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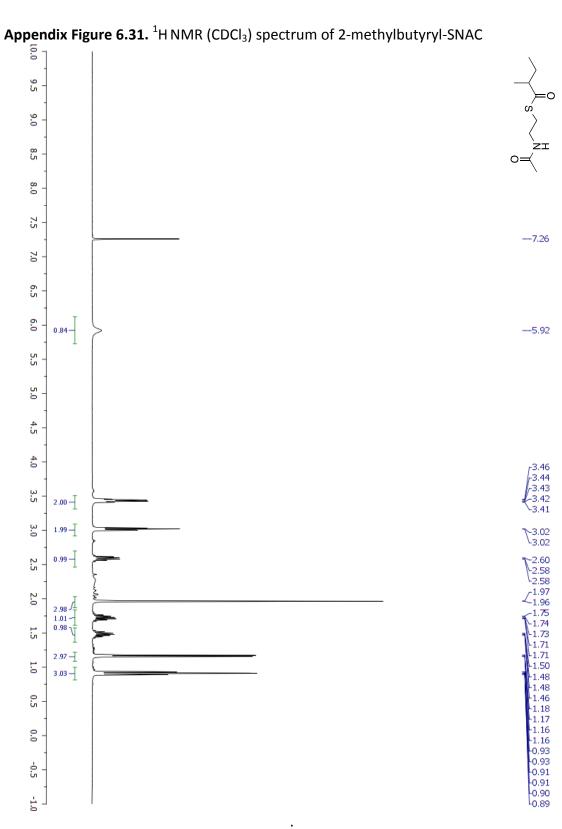
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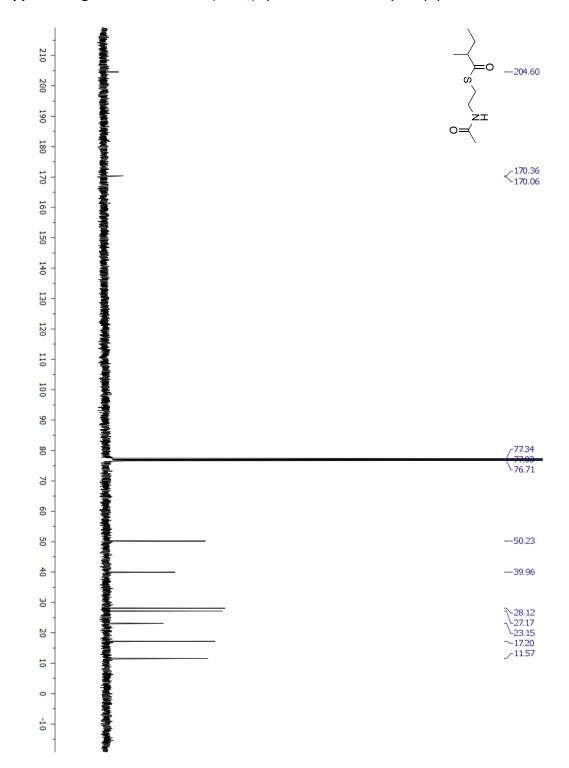


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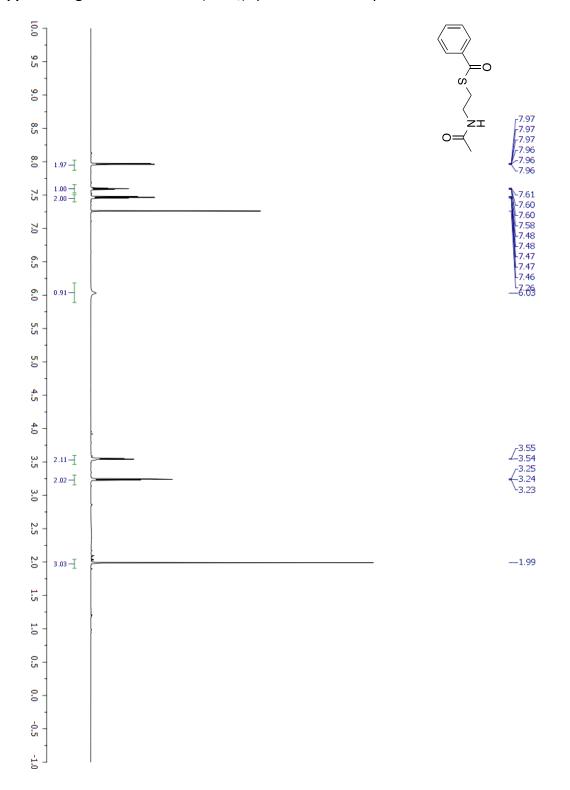


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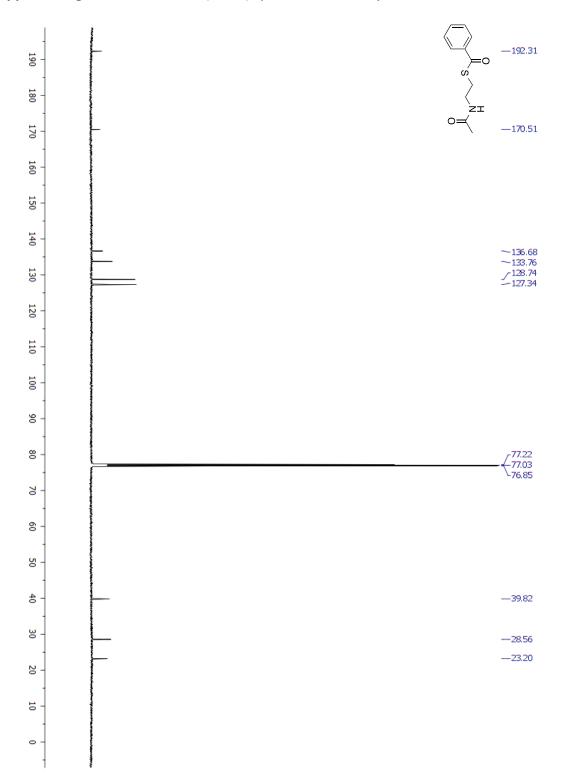




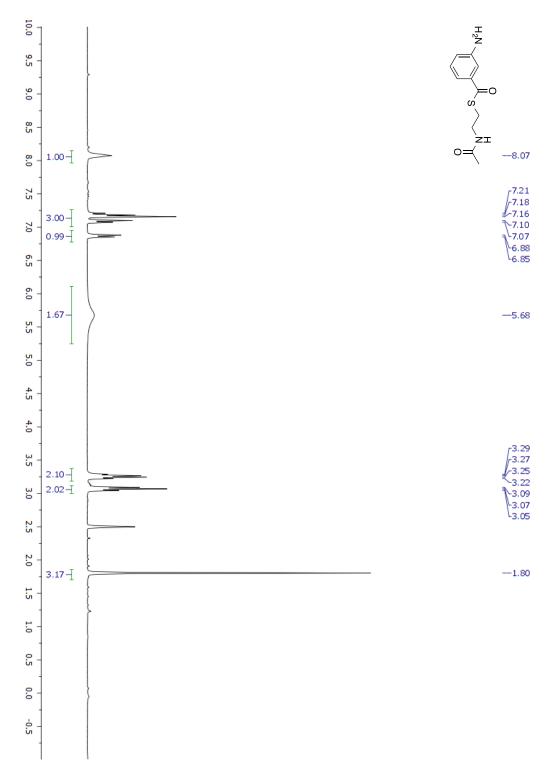
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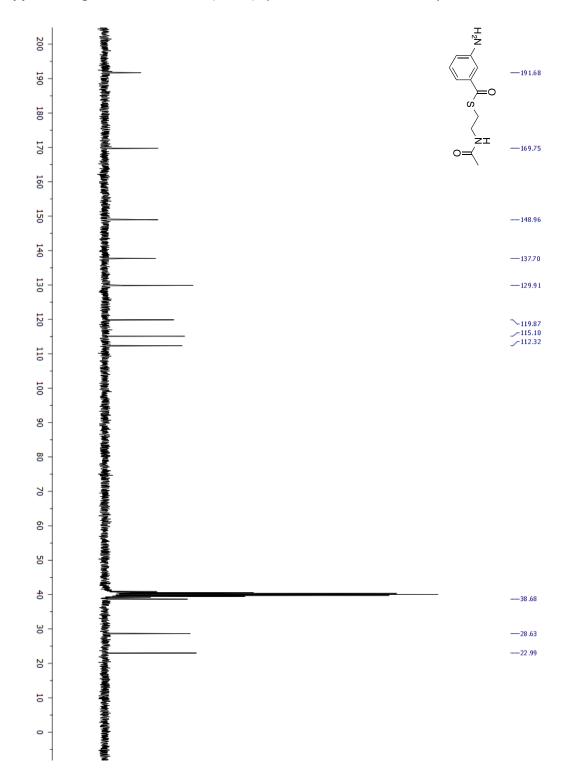
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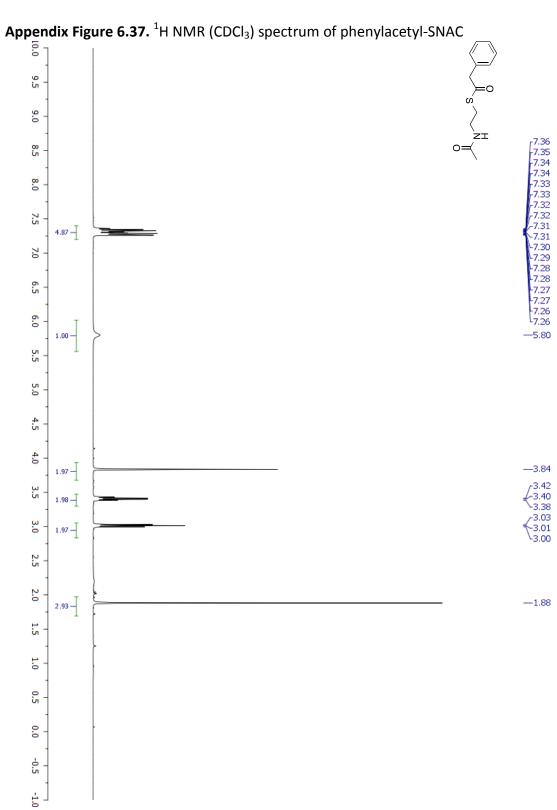
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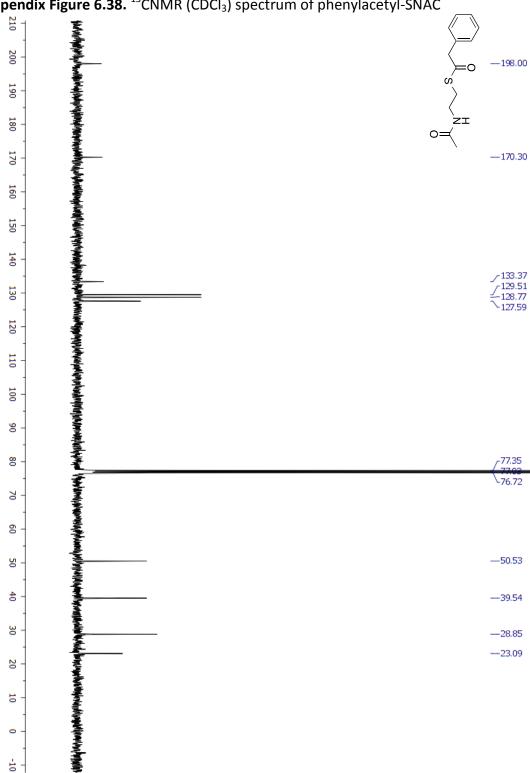


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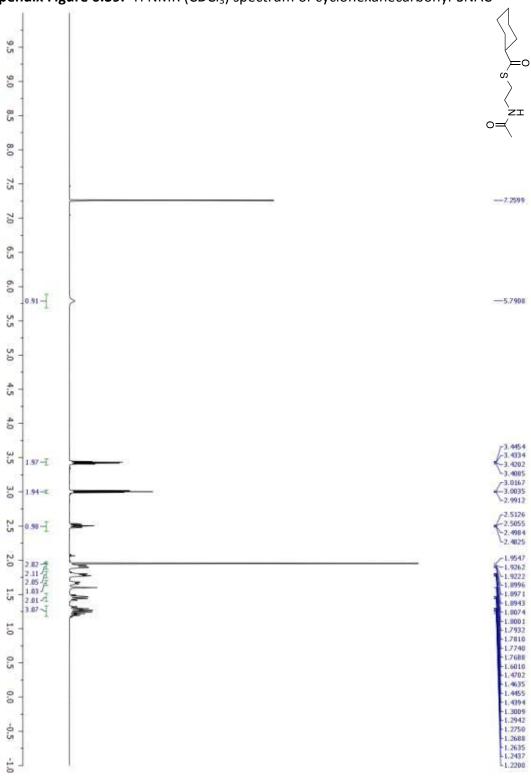


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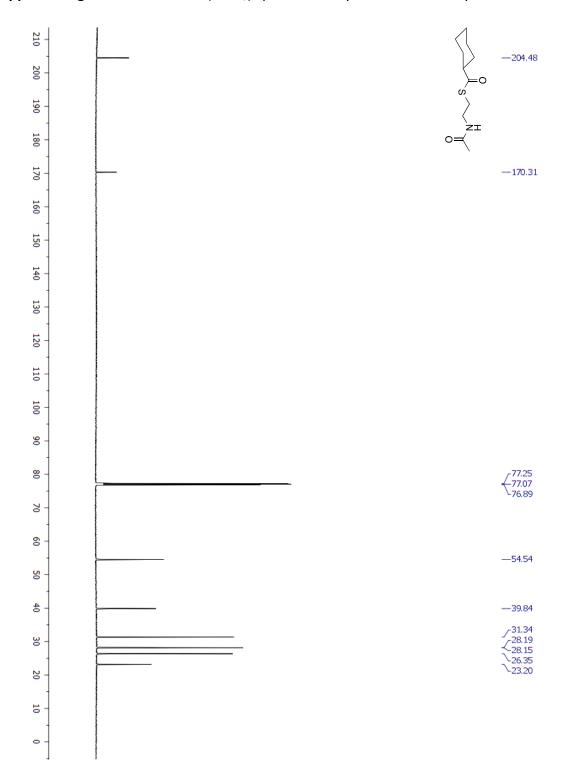




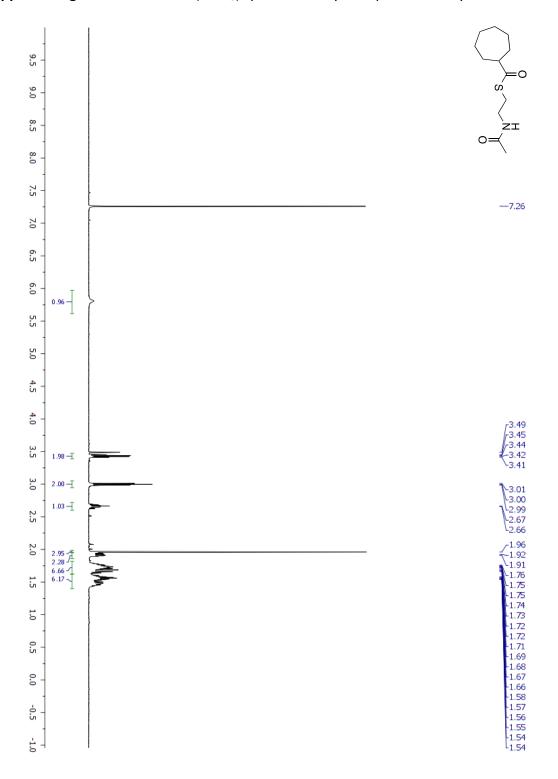
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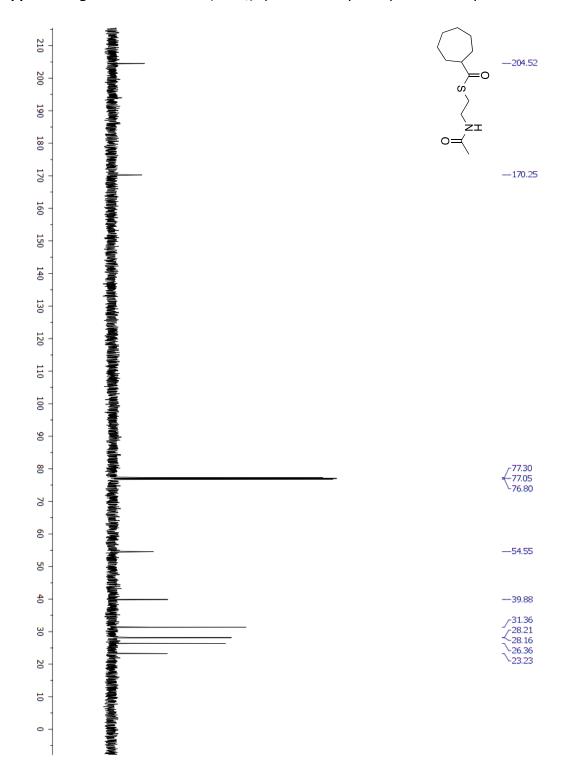
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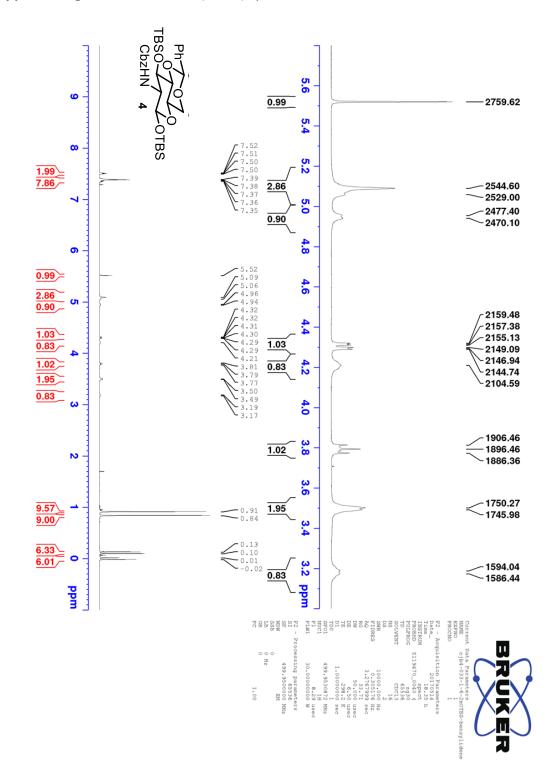


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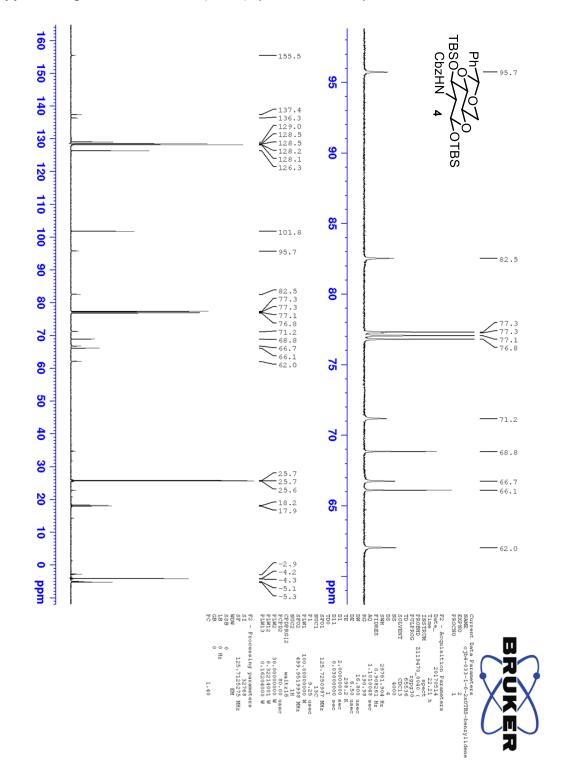


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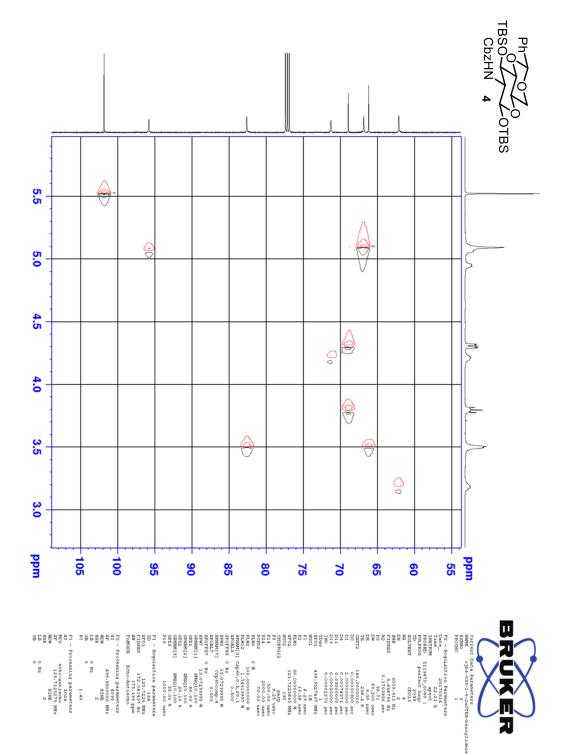
6.3 Appendix C: Chapter 4 NMR Data



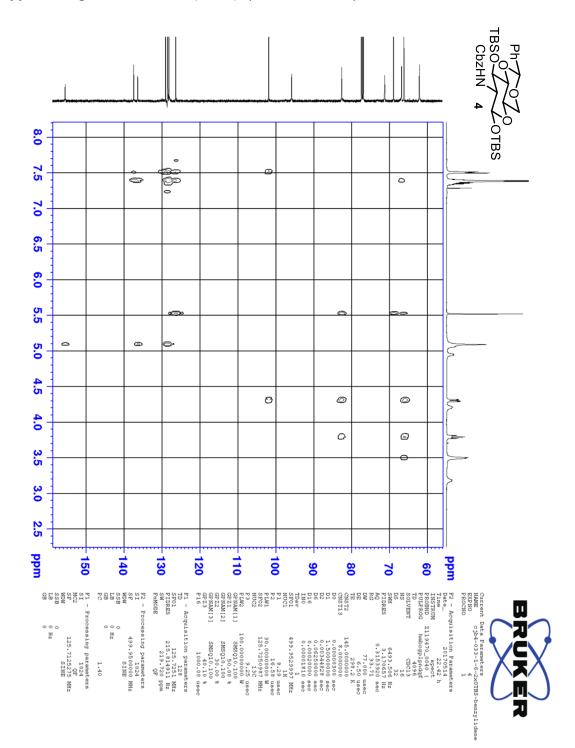
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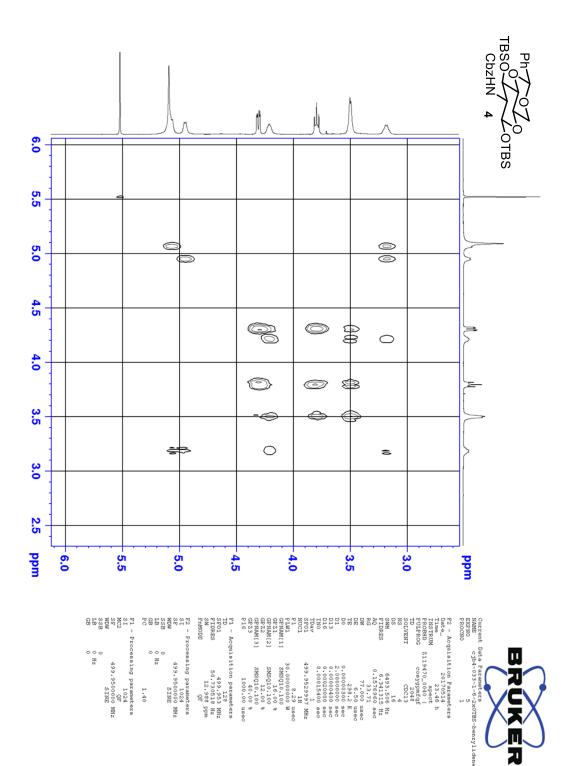
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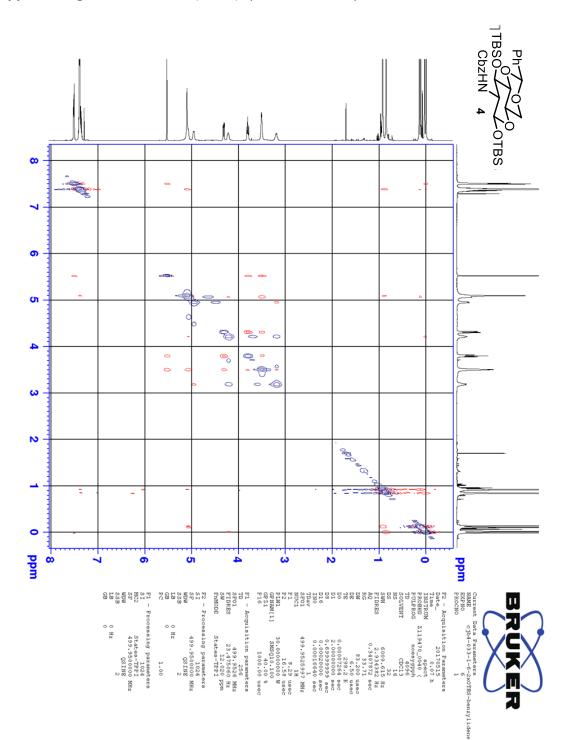
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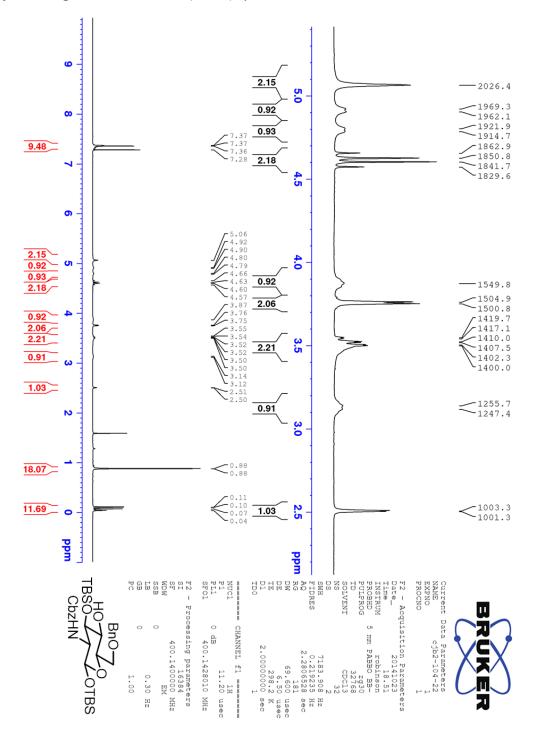
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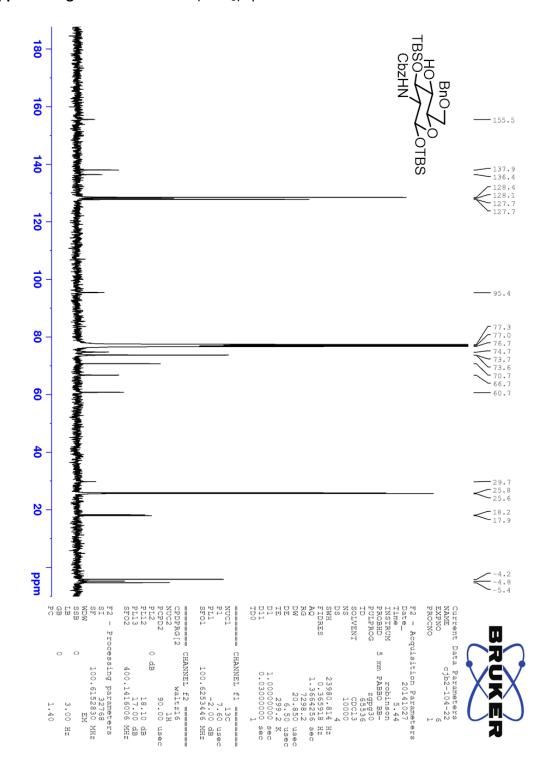
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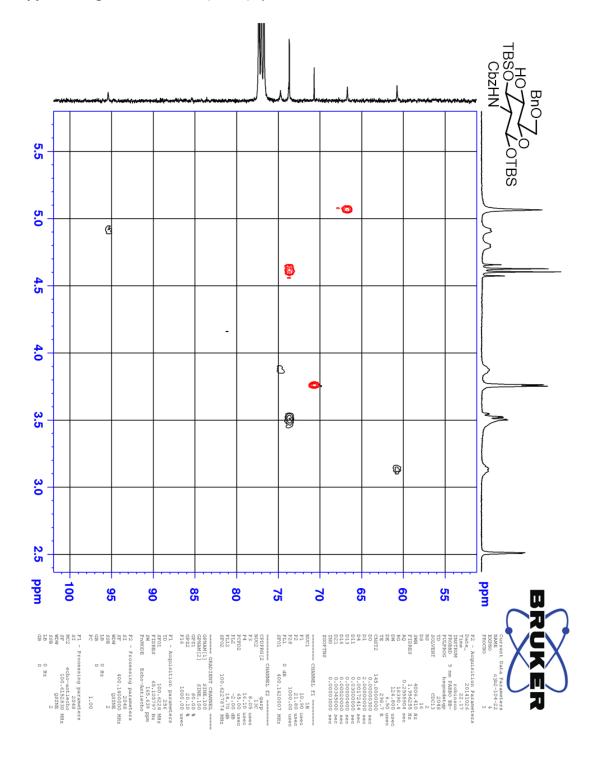
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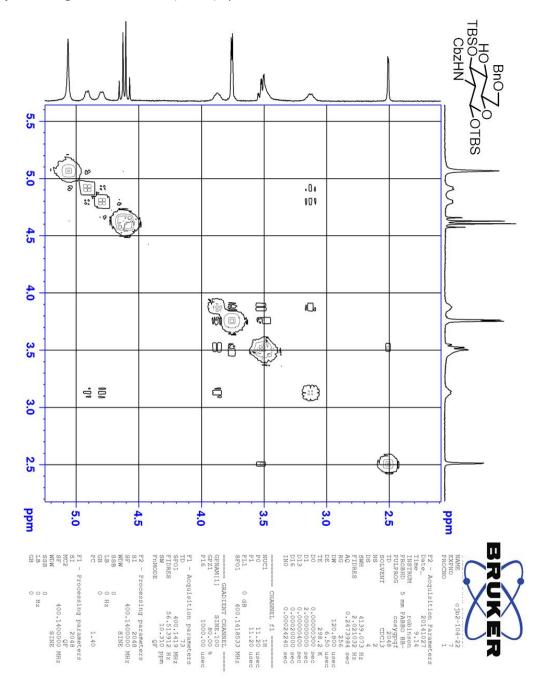
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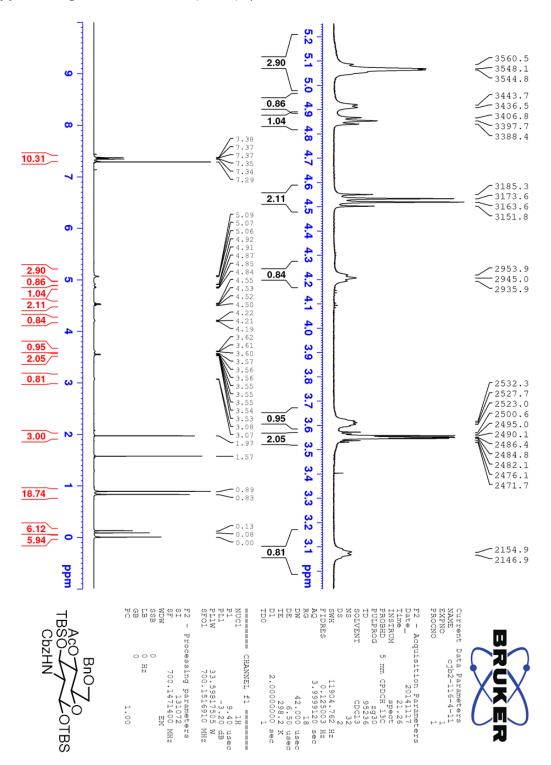
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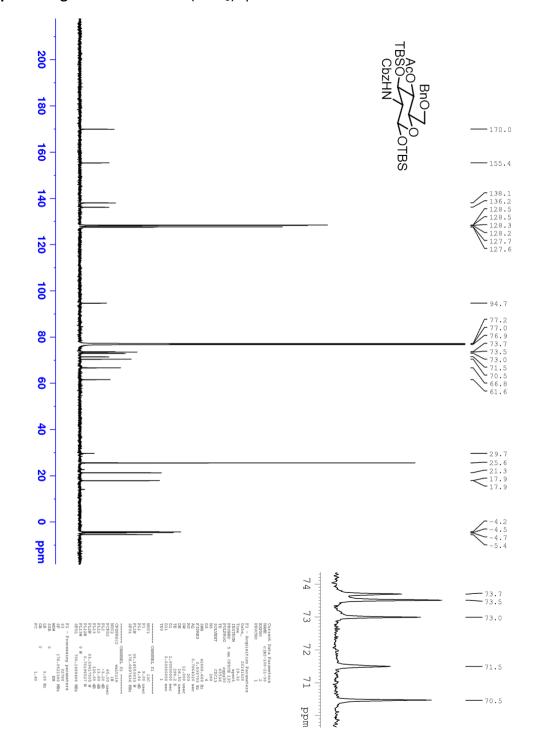
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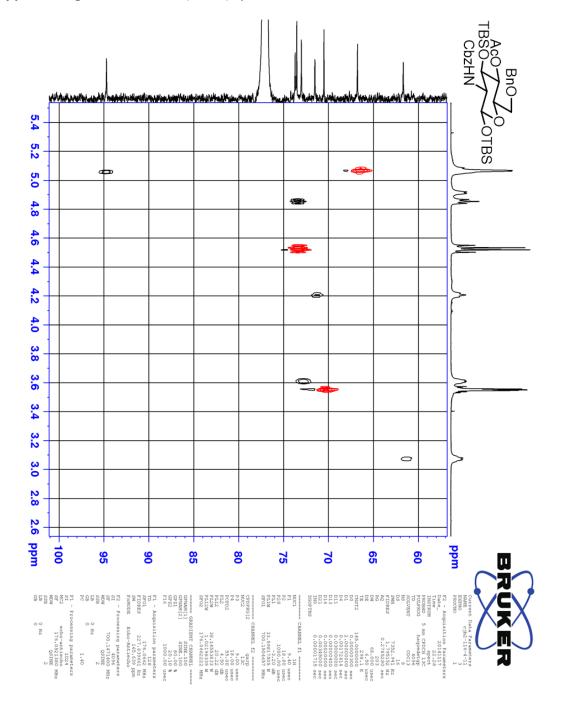
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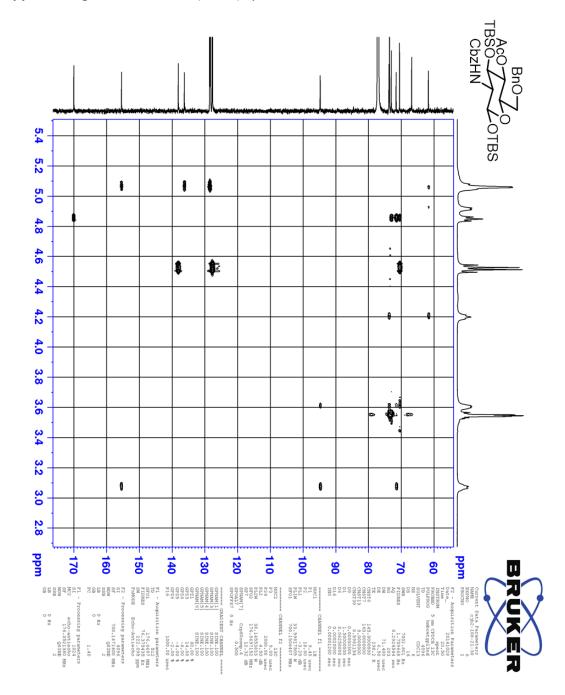
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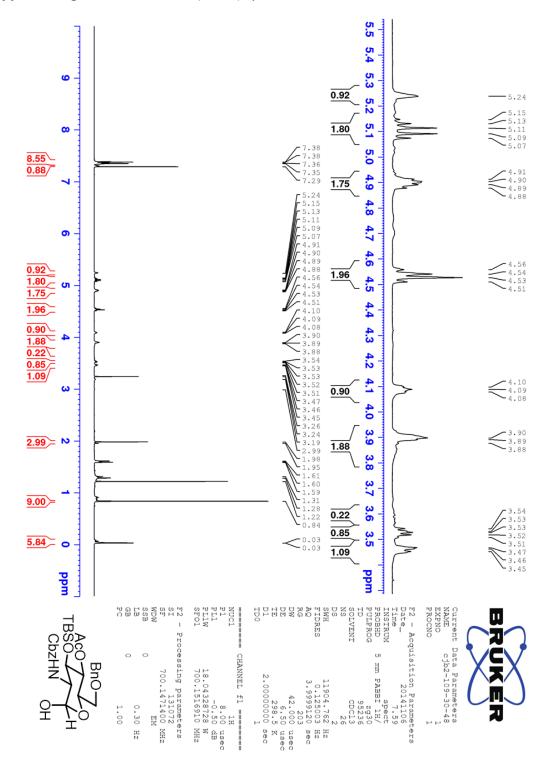
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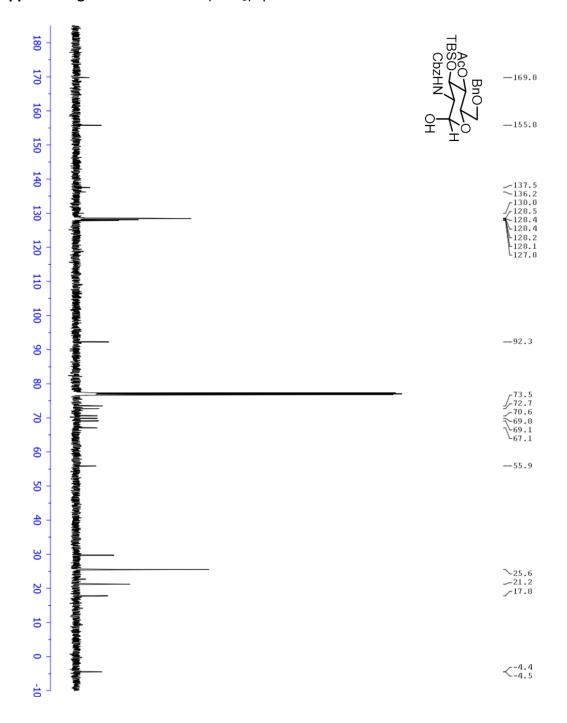
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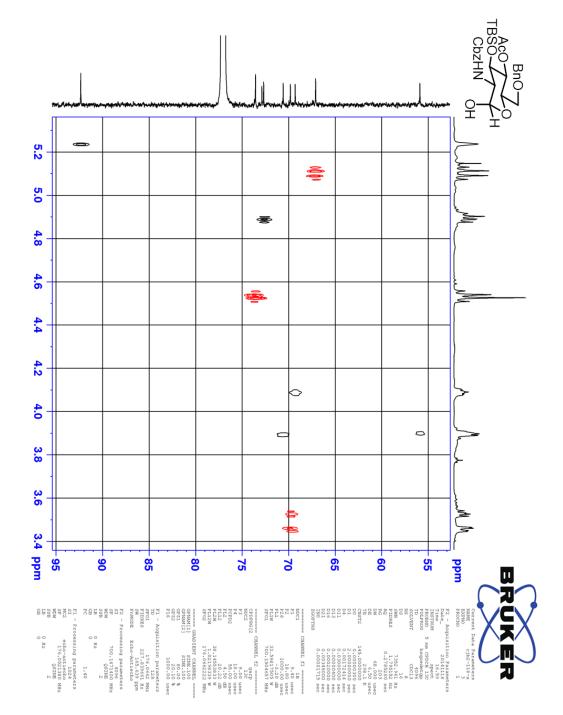
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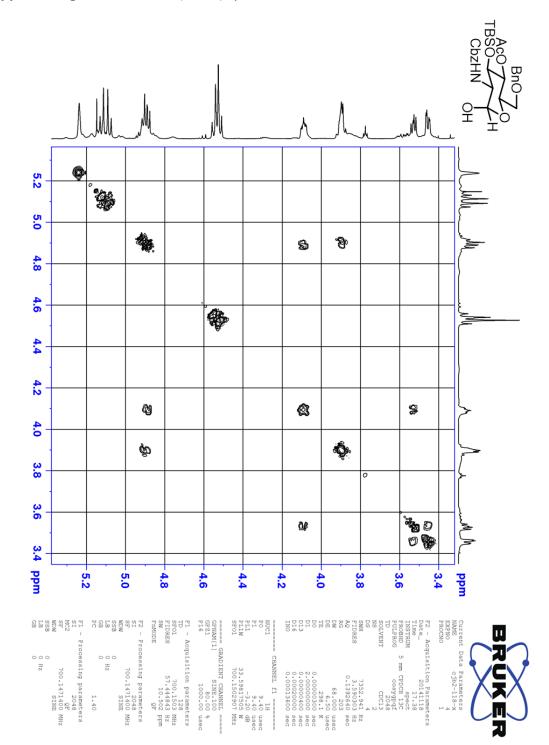
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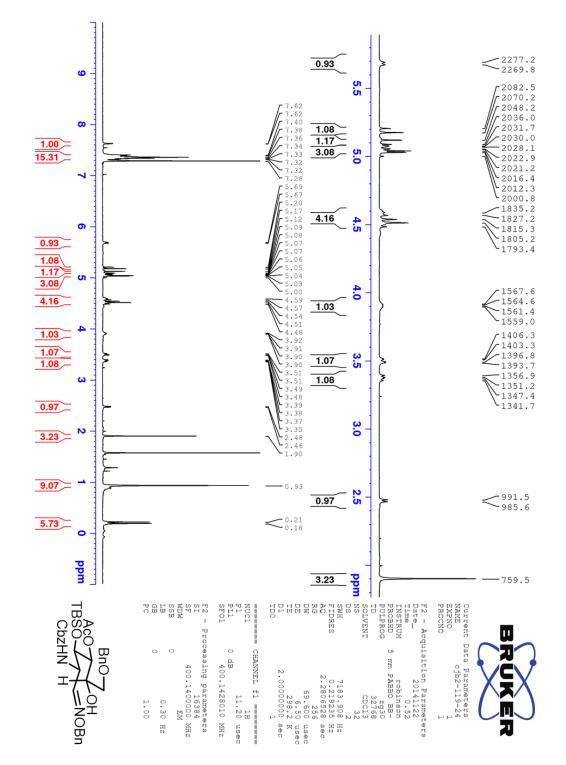
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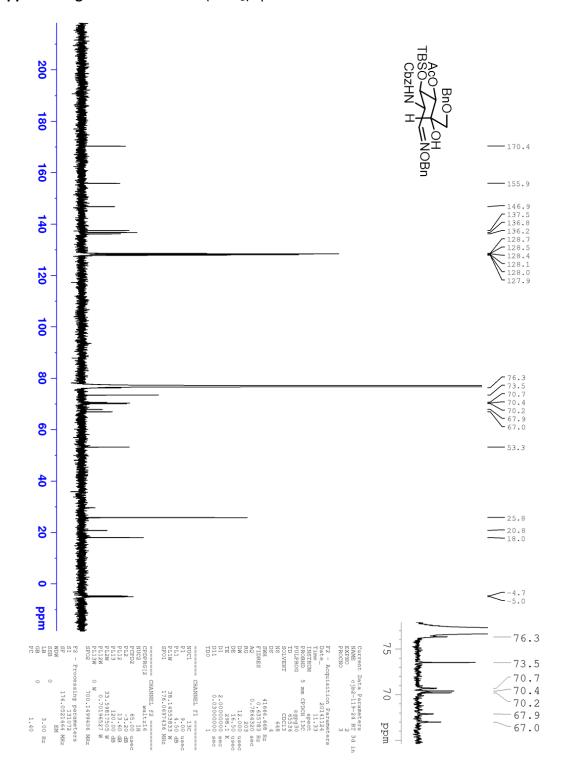
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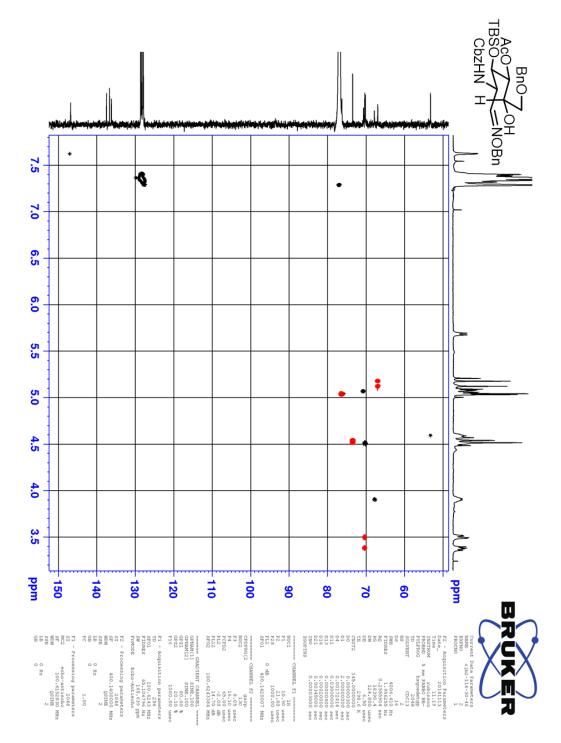
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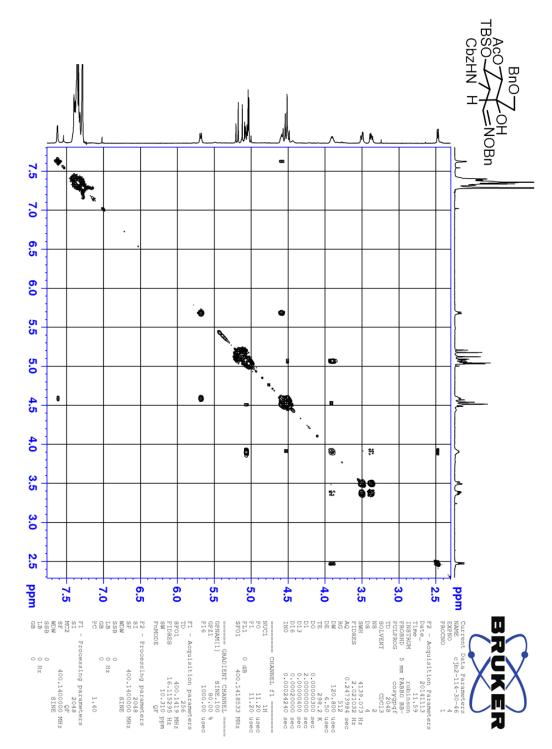
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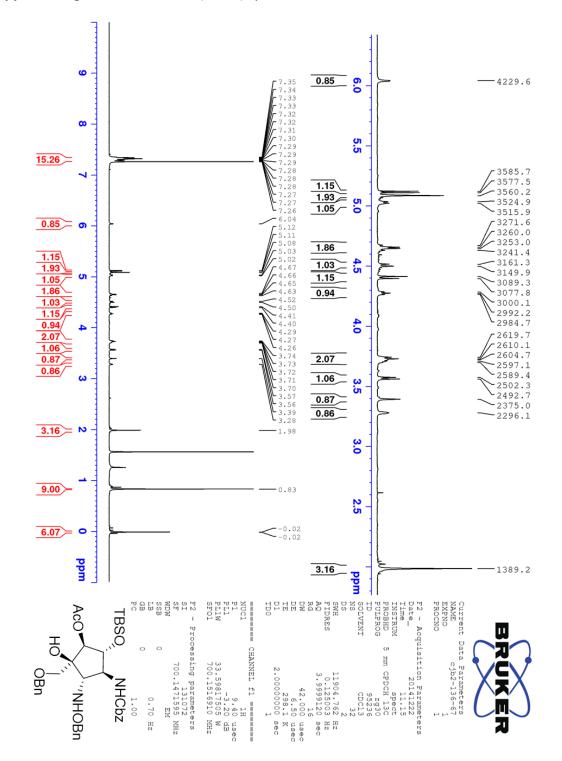
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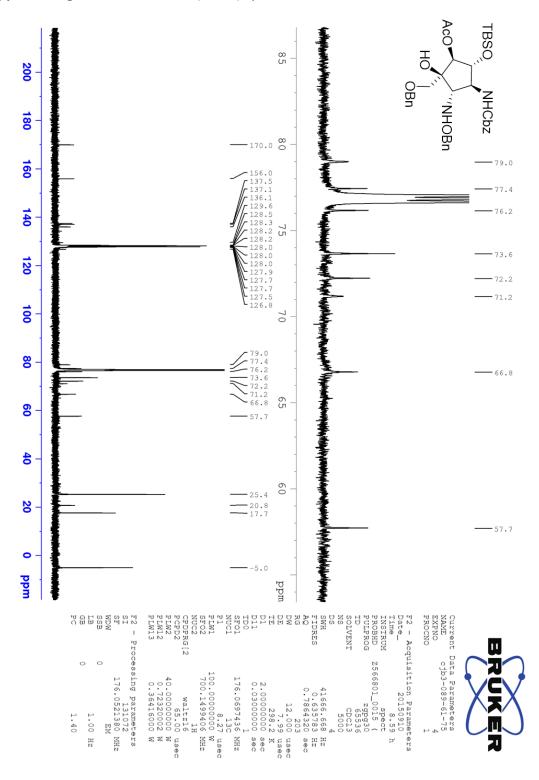
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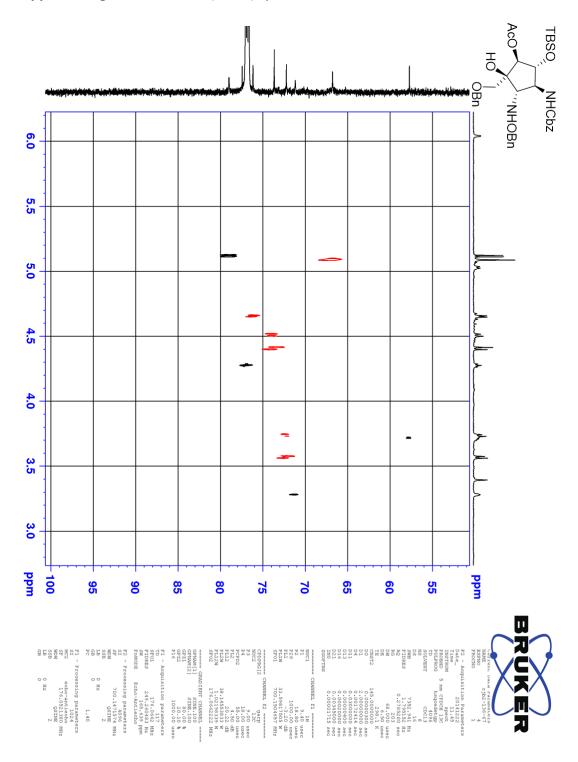
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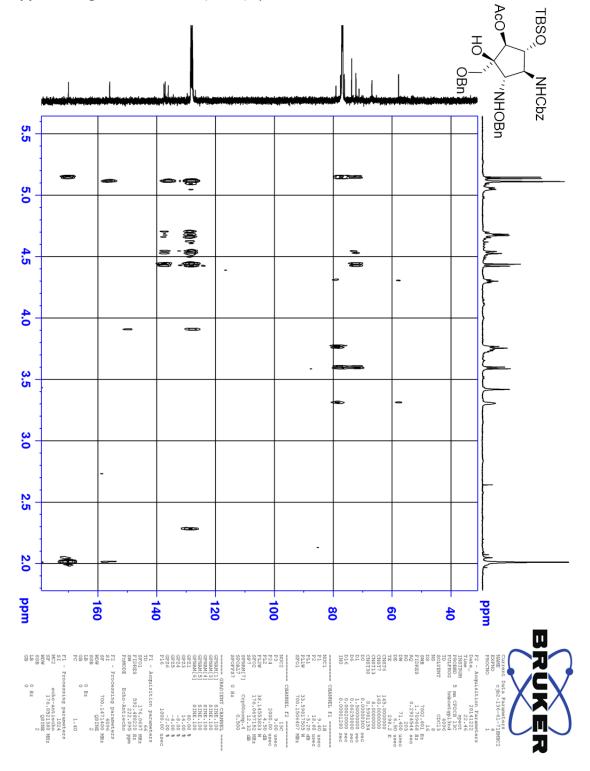
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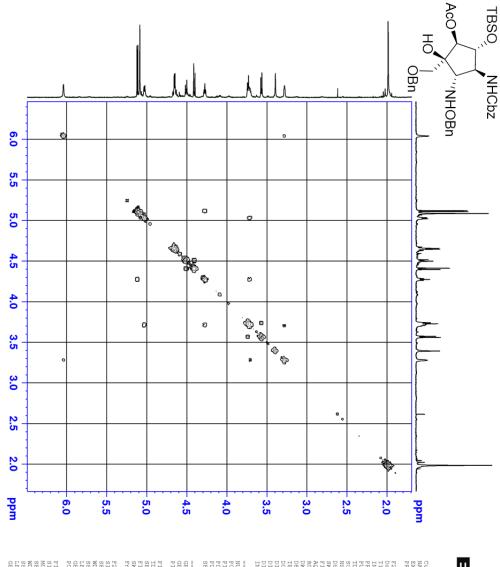
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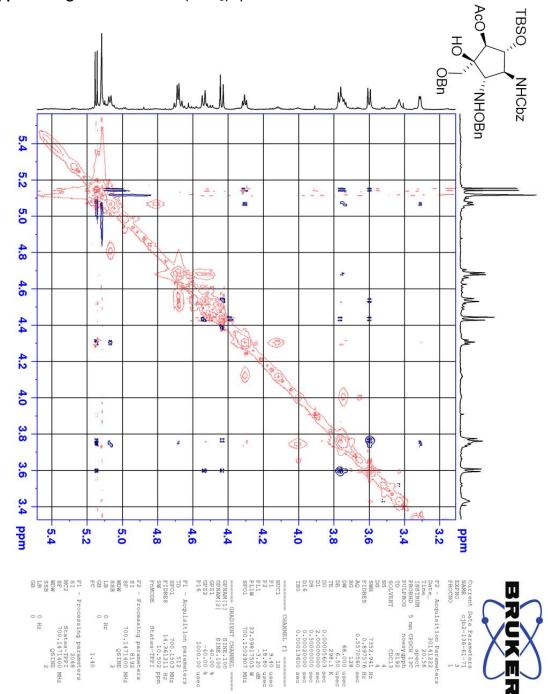


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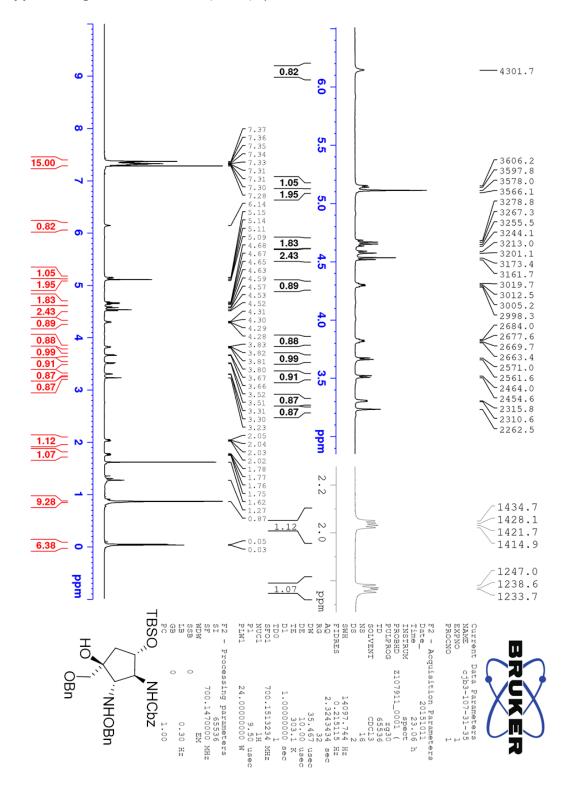
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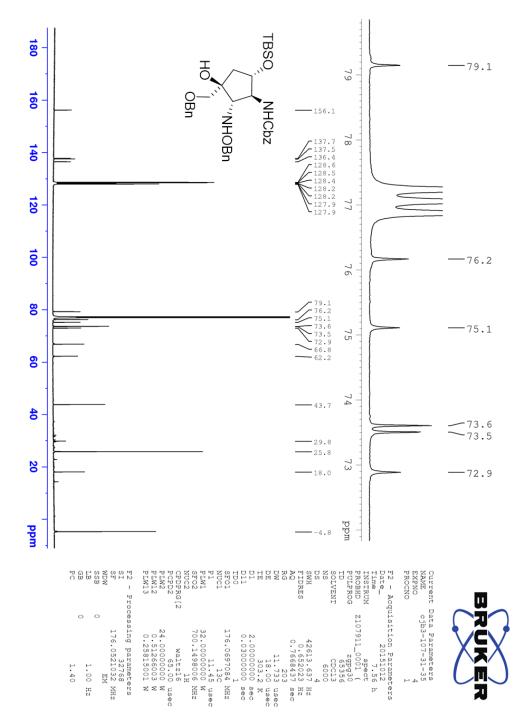


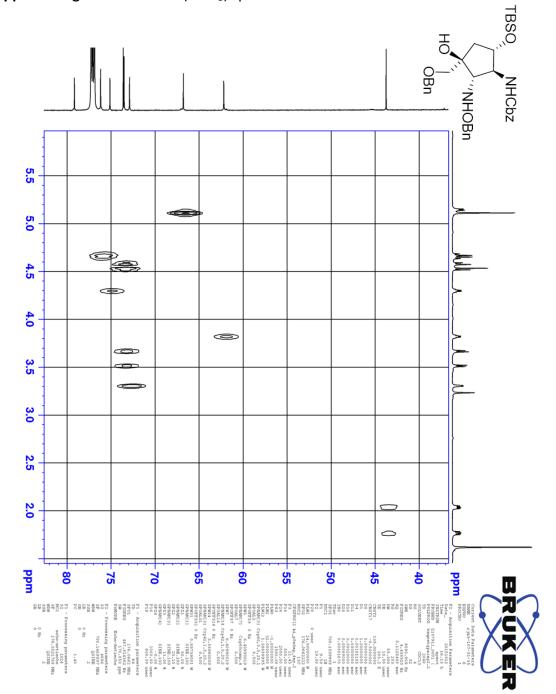
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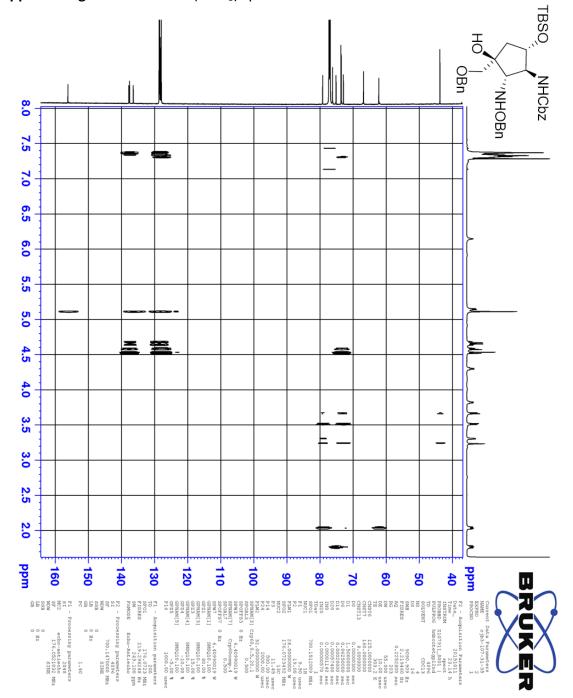


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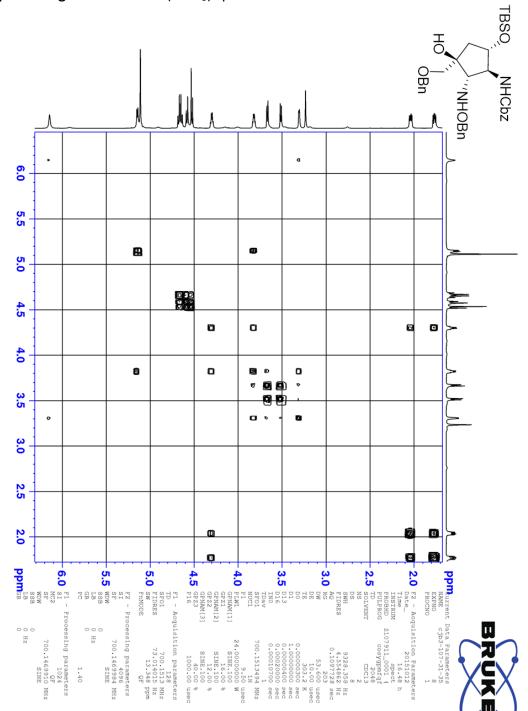




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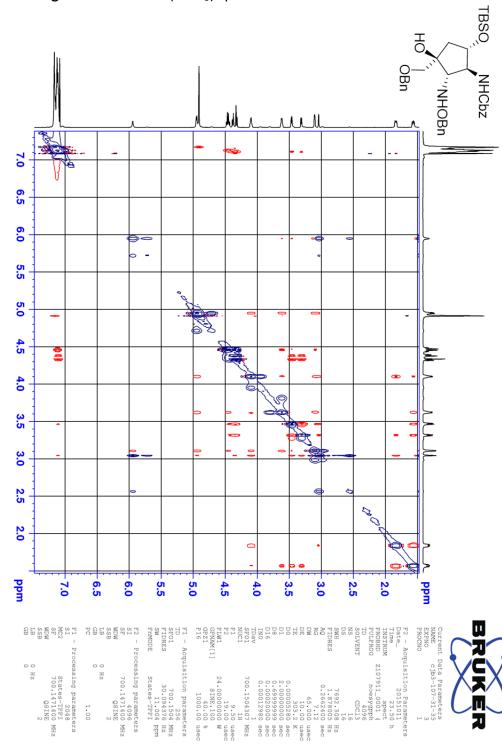


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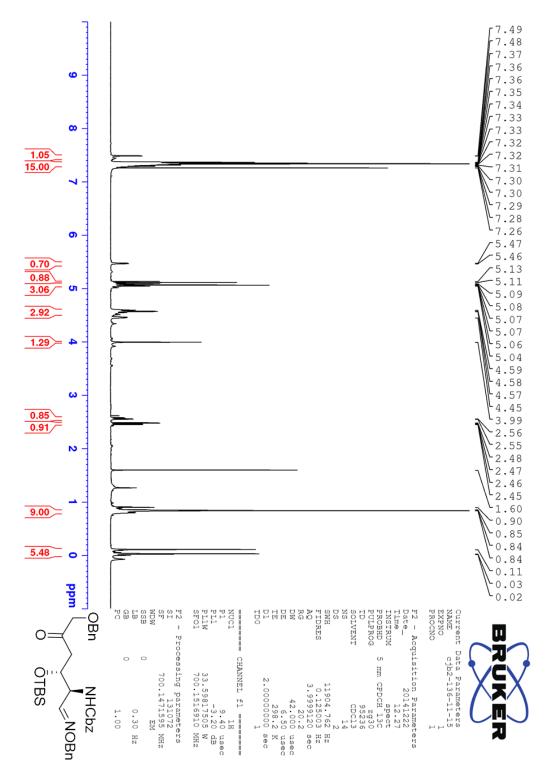
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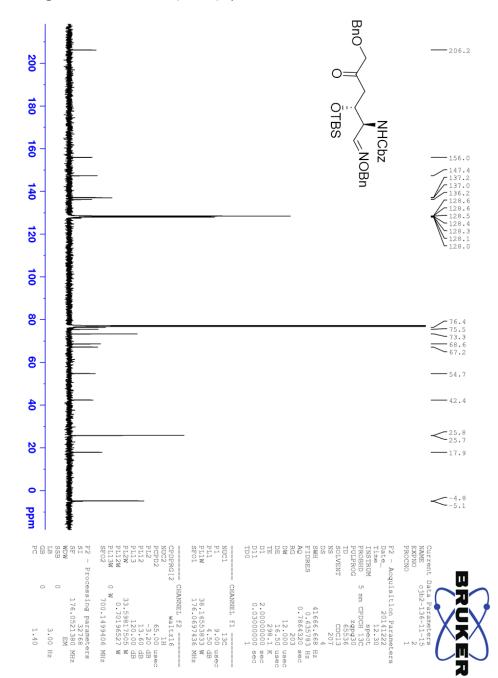
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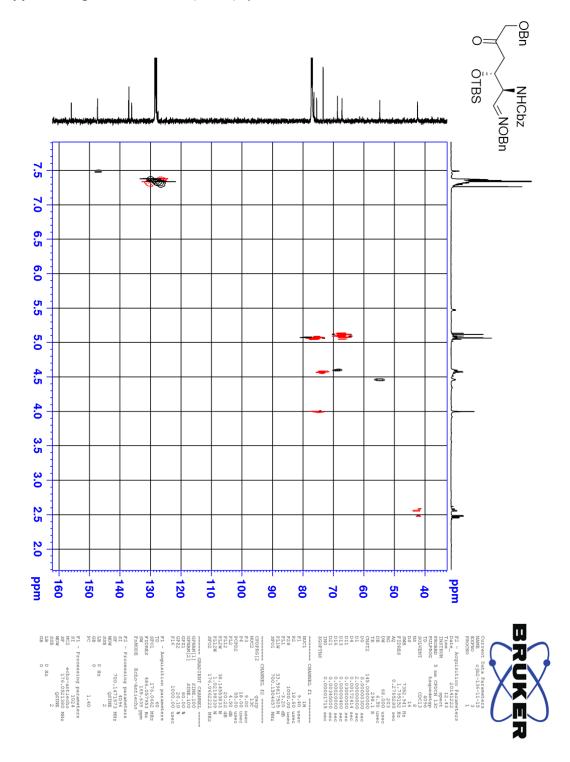
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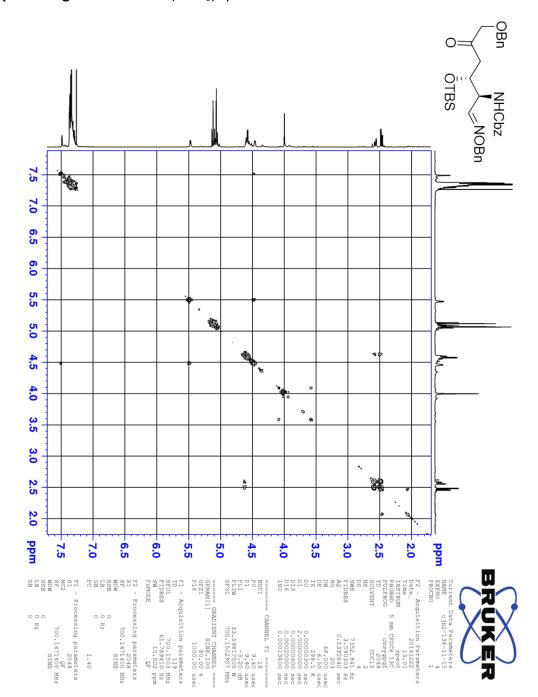
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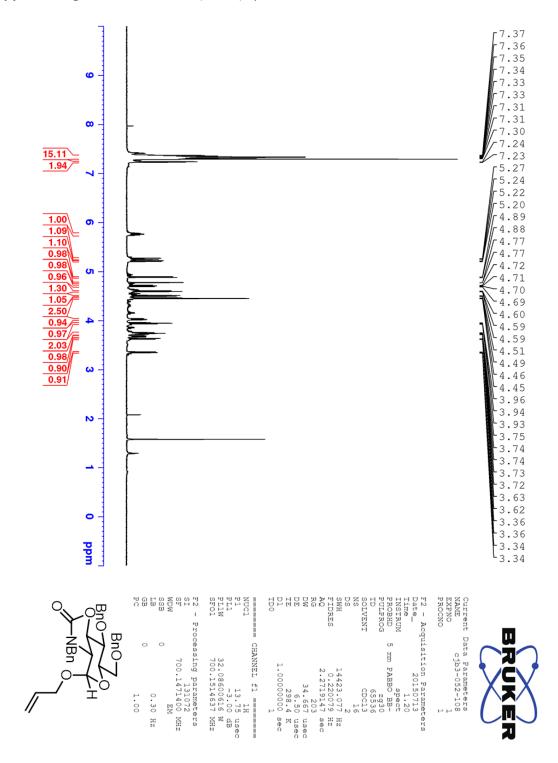
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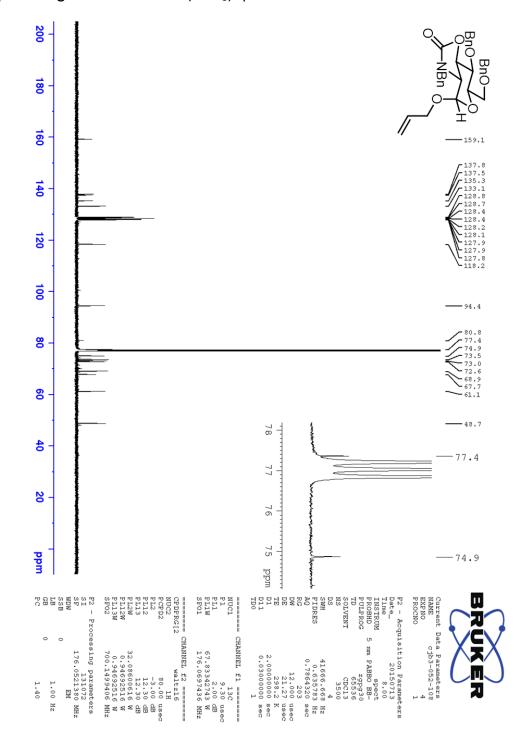
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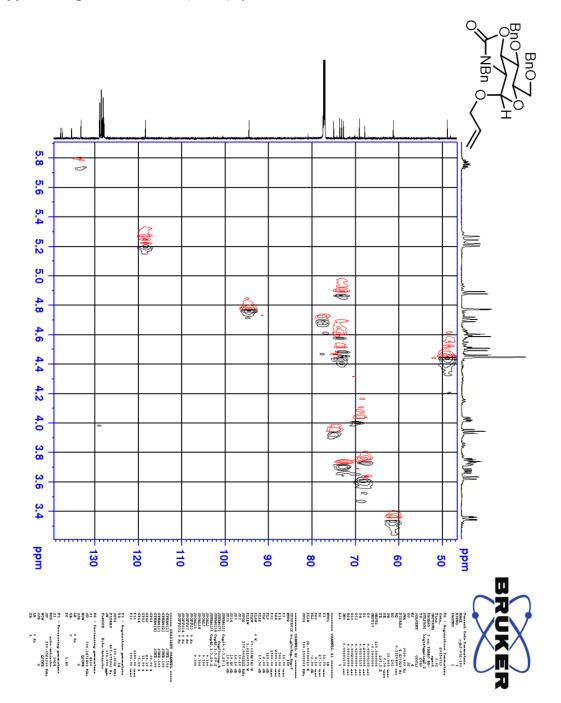
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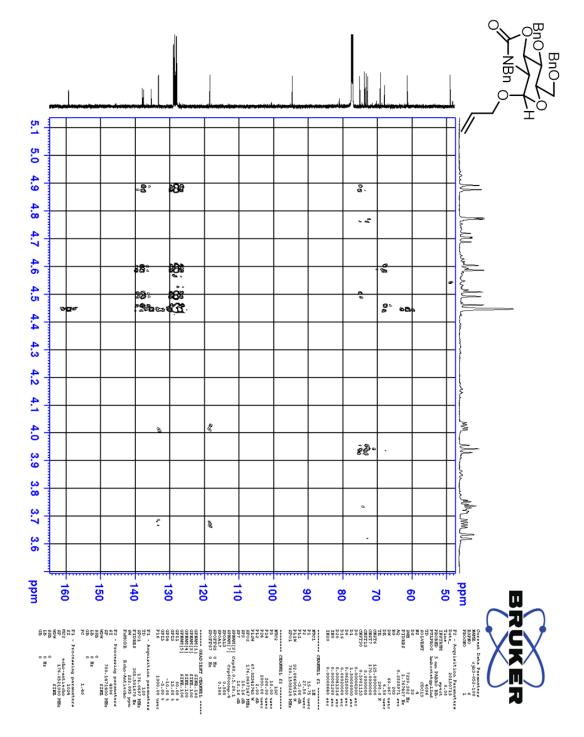
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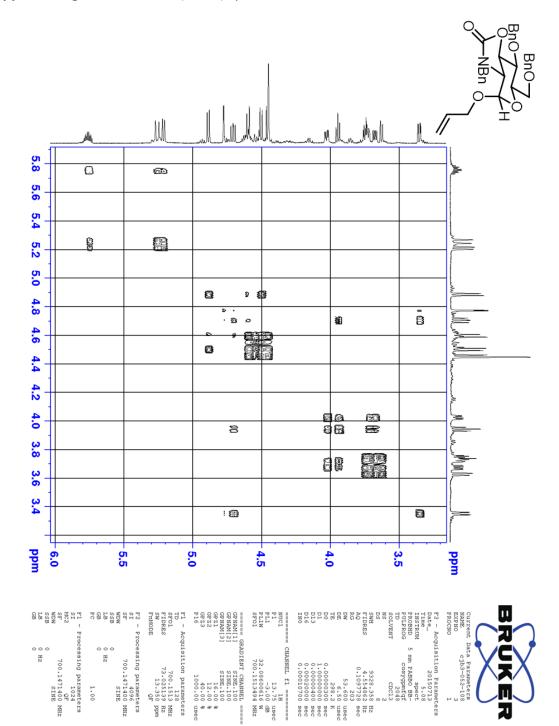
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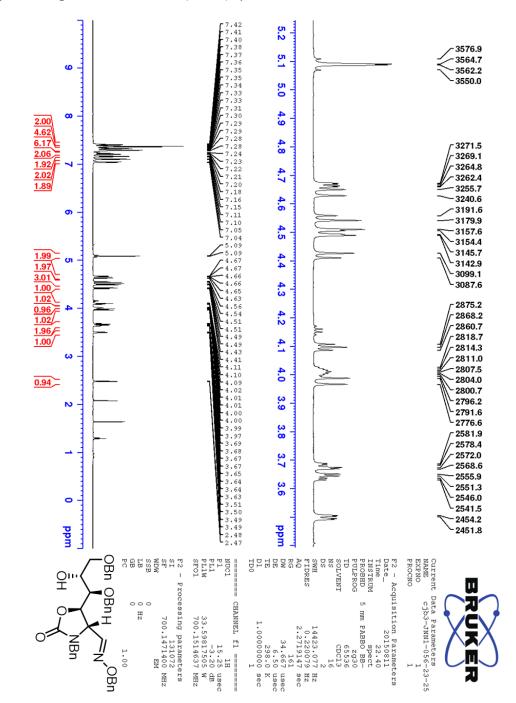
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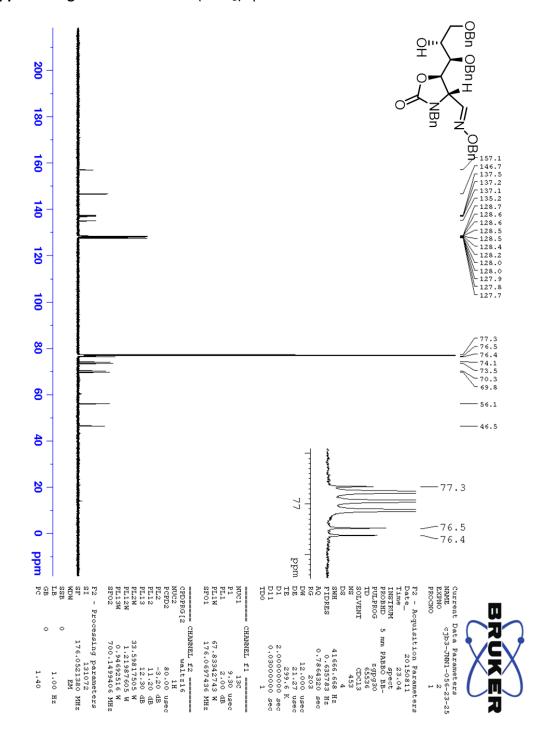
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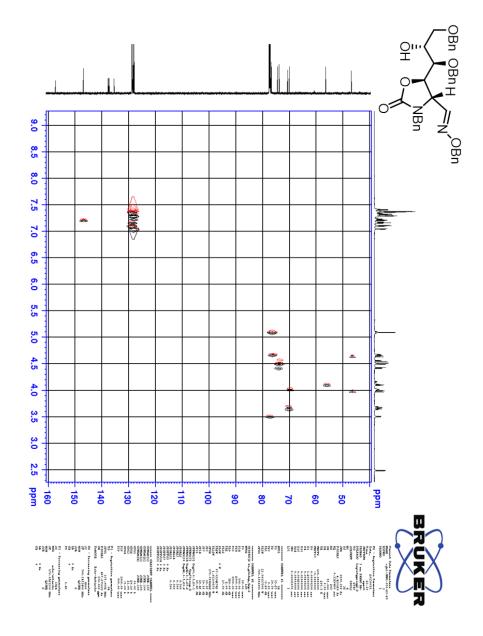
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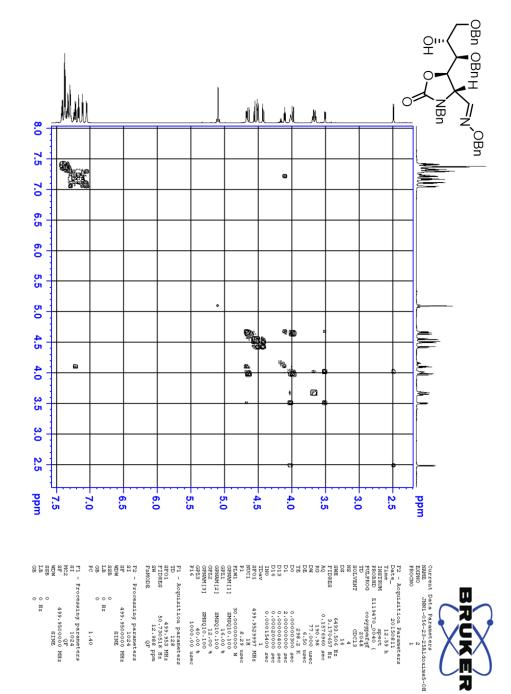
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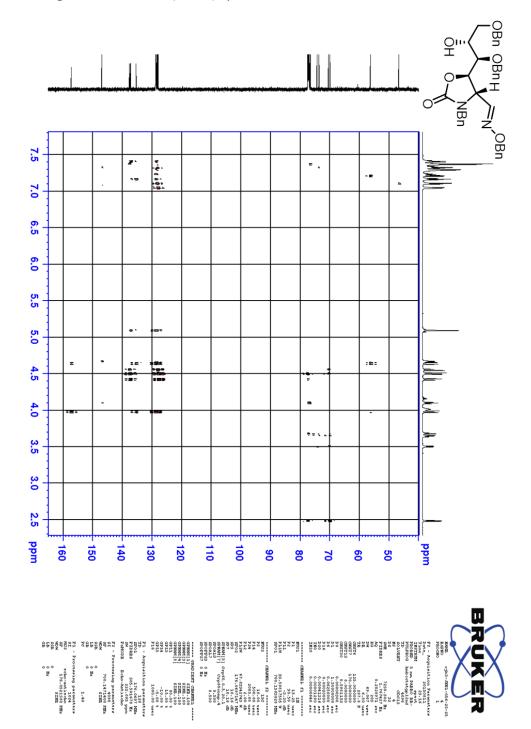
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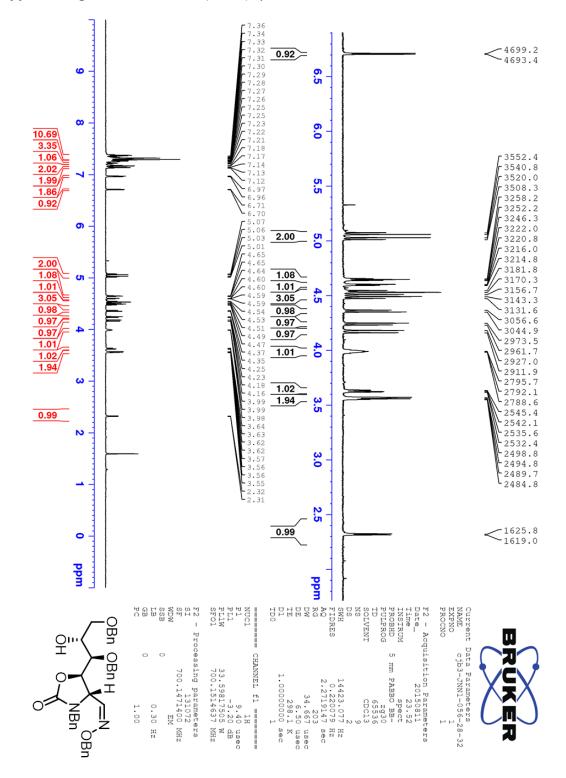
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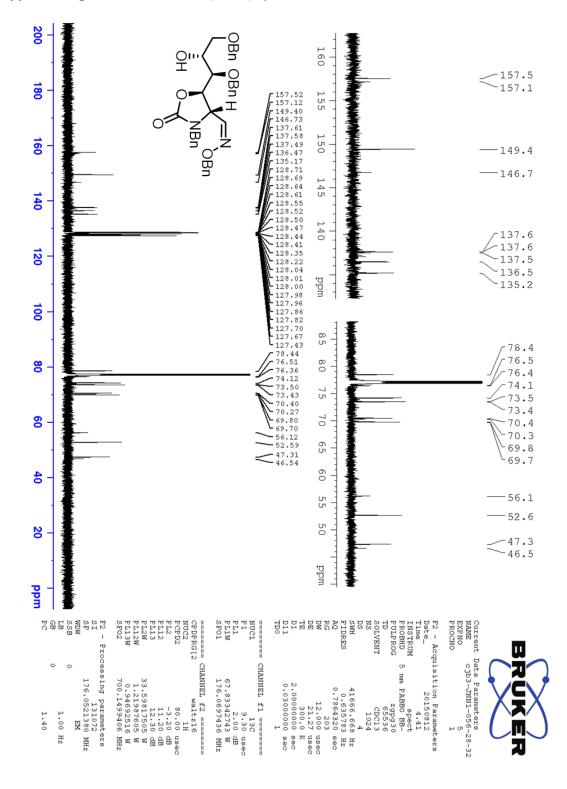
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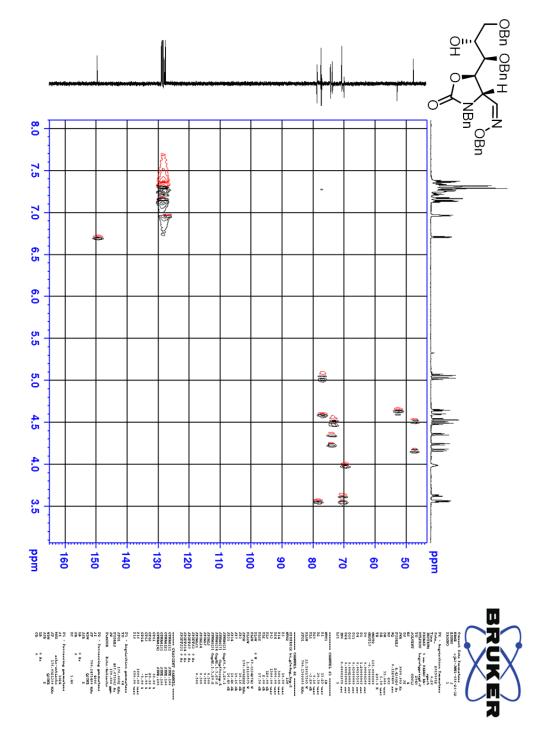
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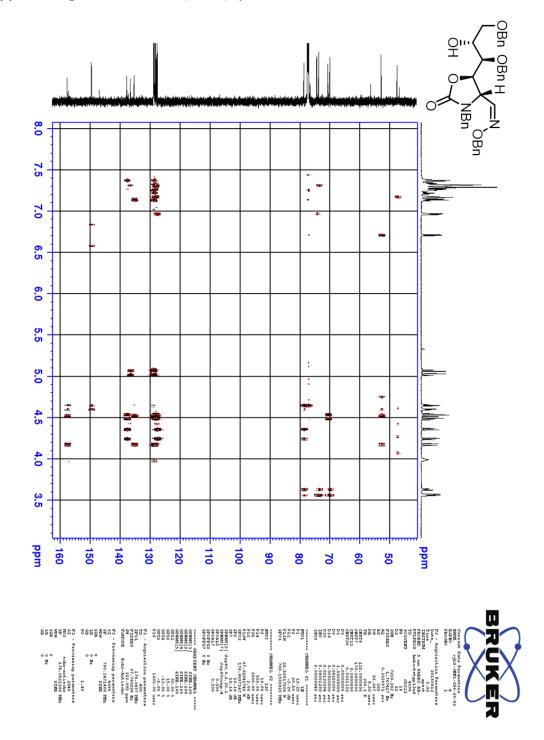
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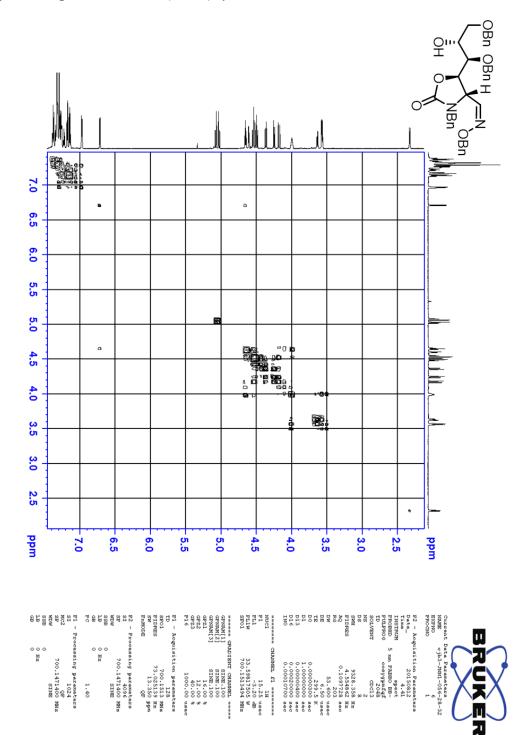
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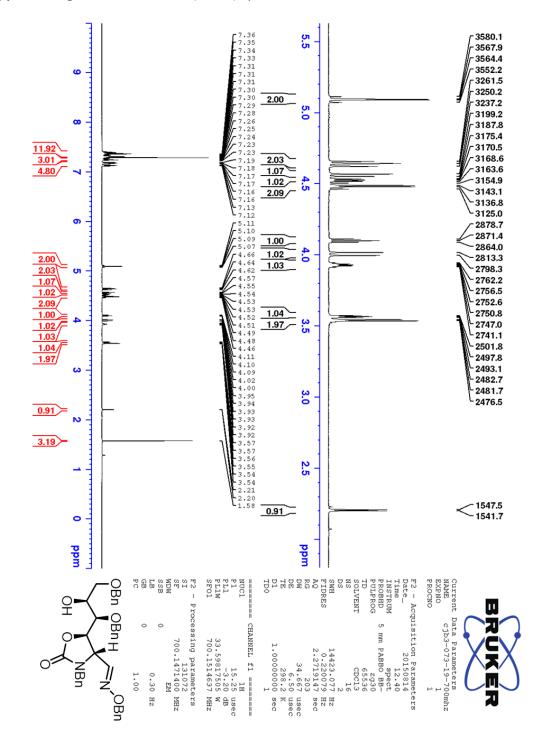
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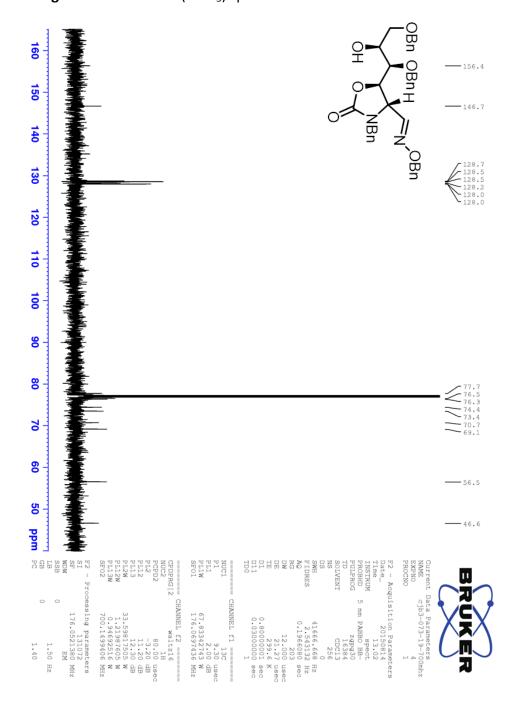
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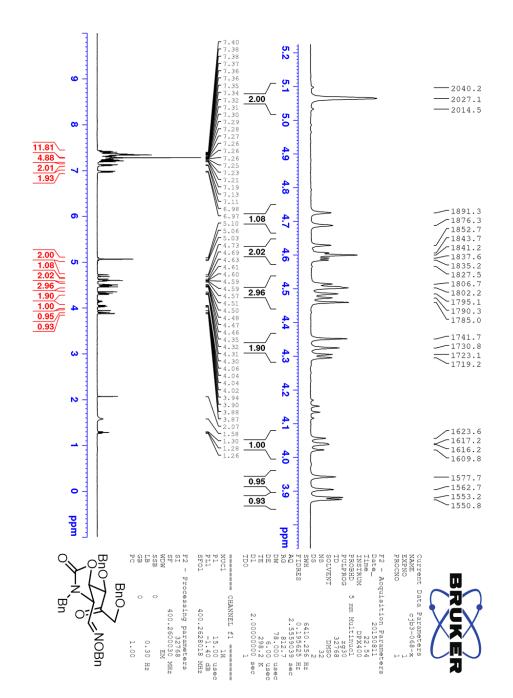
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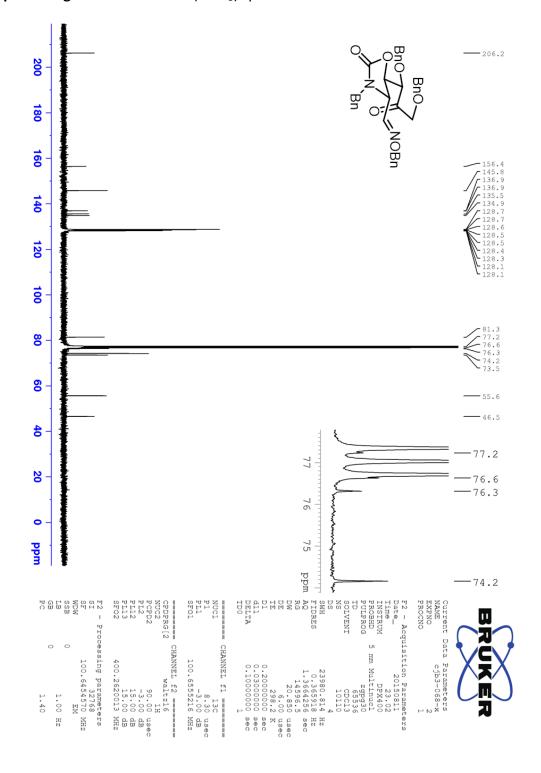
Appendix Figure 6.96: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) spectrum of 55-E-19



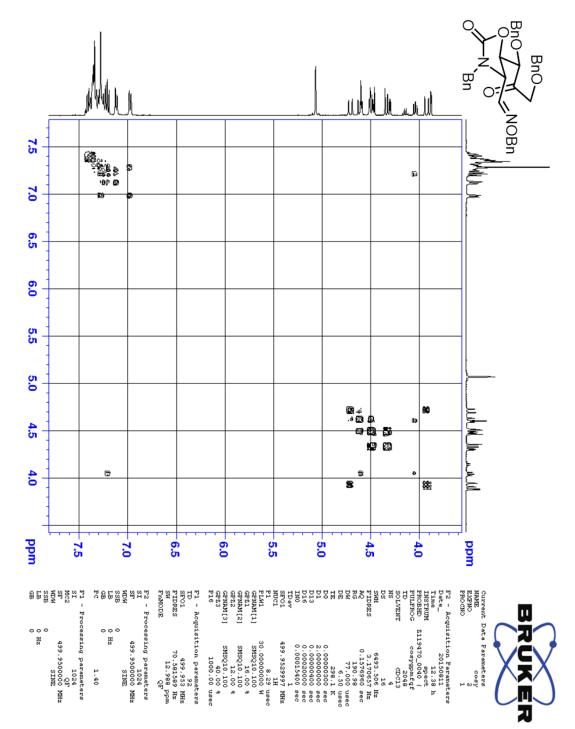
Appendix Figure 6.97: ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) spectrum of 55-E-19



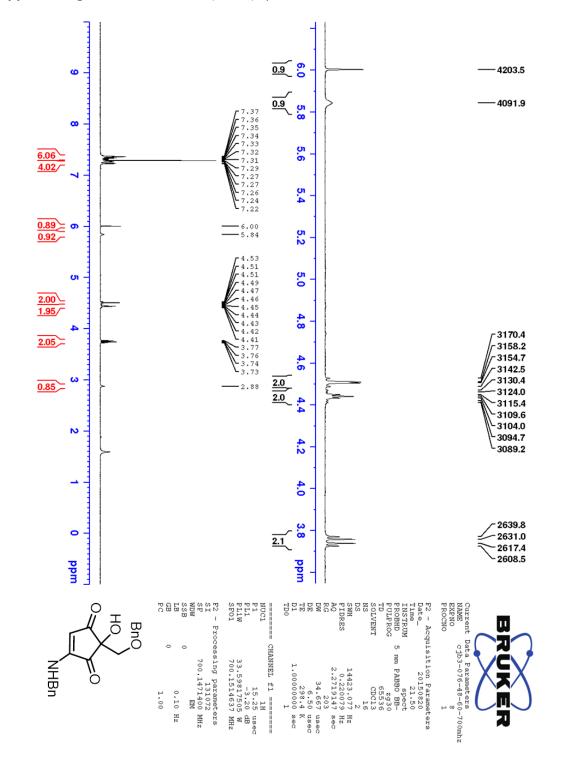
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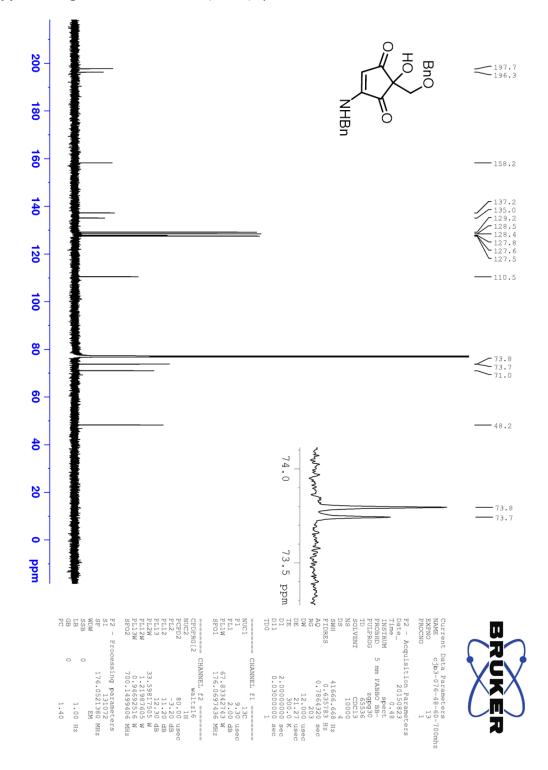
Appendix Figure 6.99: ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) spectrum of **15**



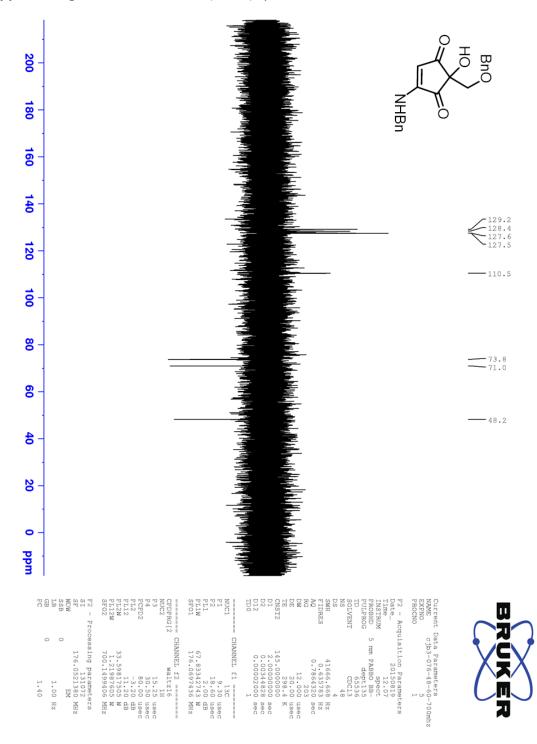
Appendix Figure 6.100: COSY (CDCl₃) spectrum of 15



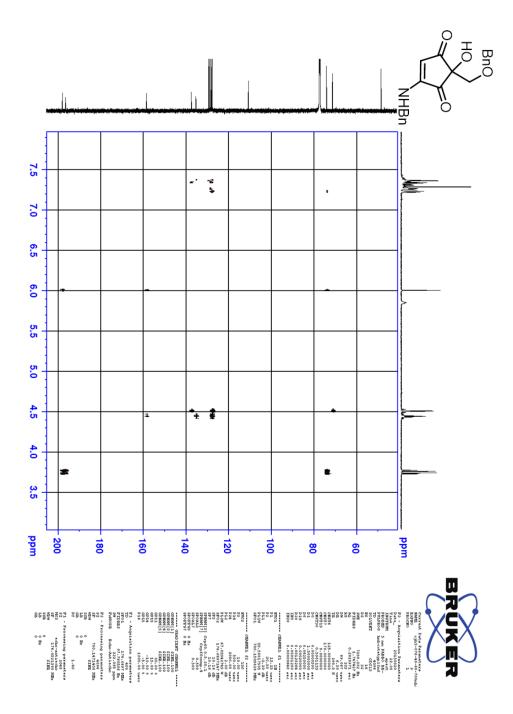
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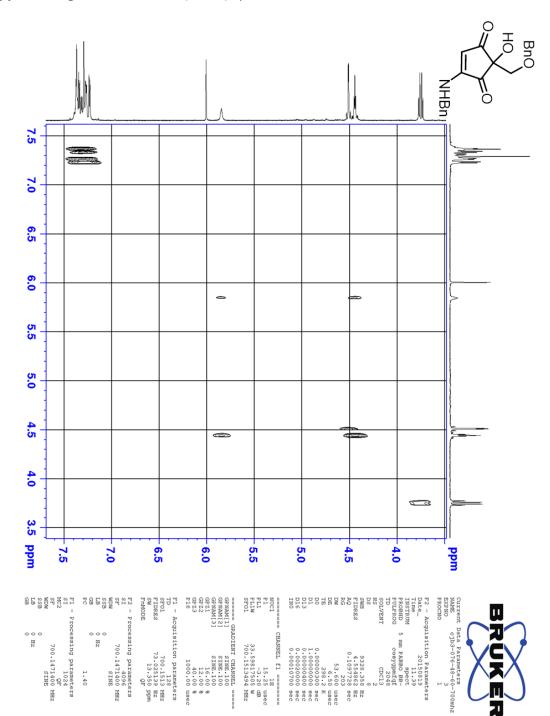
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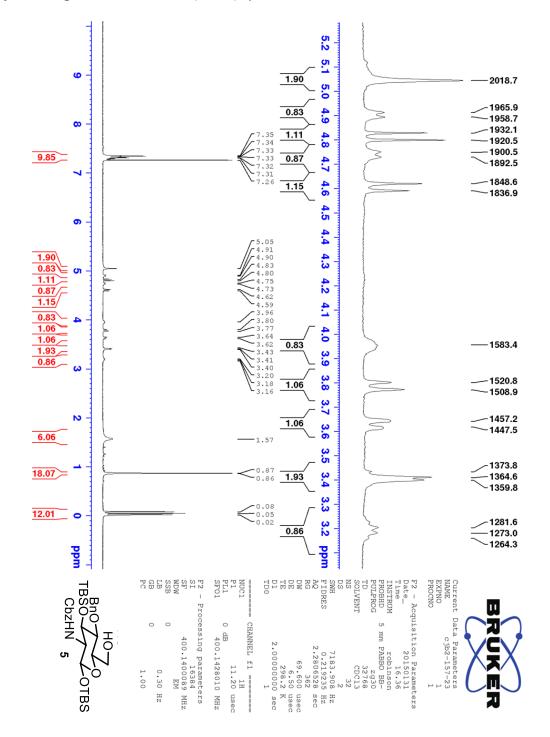
Appendix Figure 6.103: DEPT135 (CDCl₃) spectrum of 20



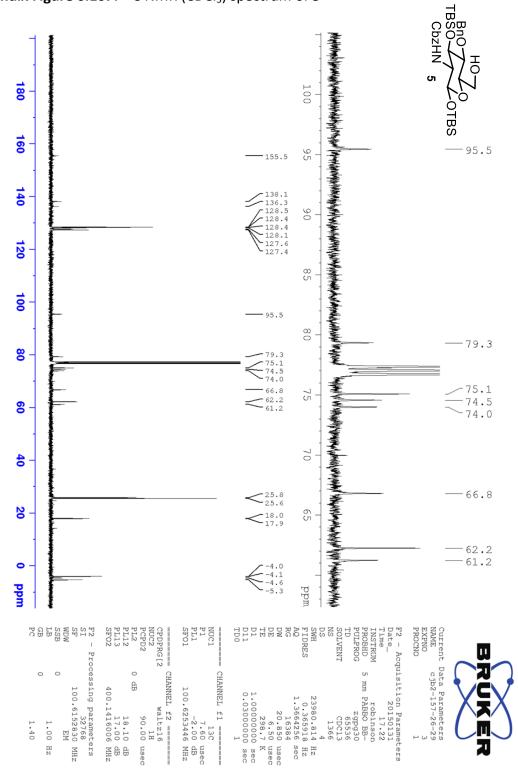
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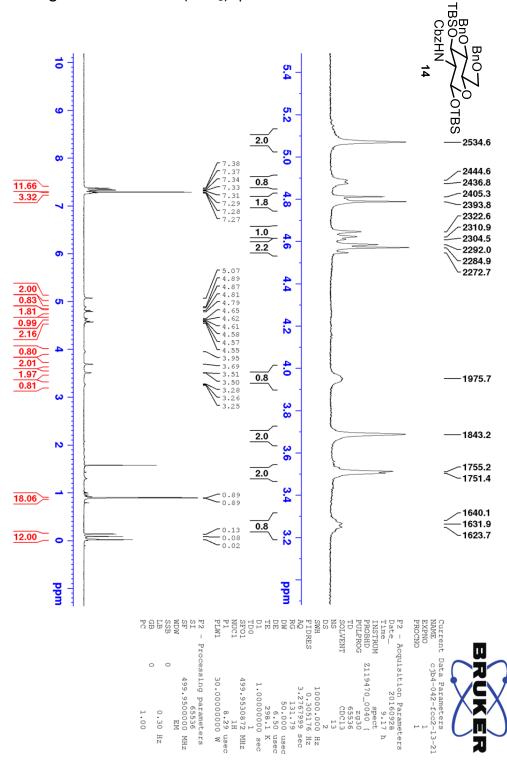
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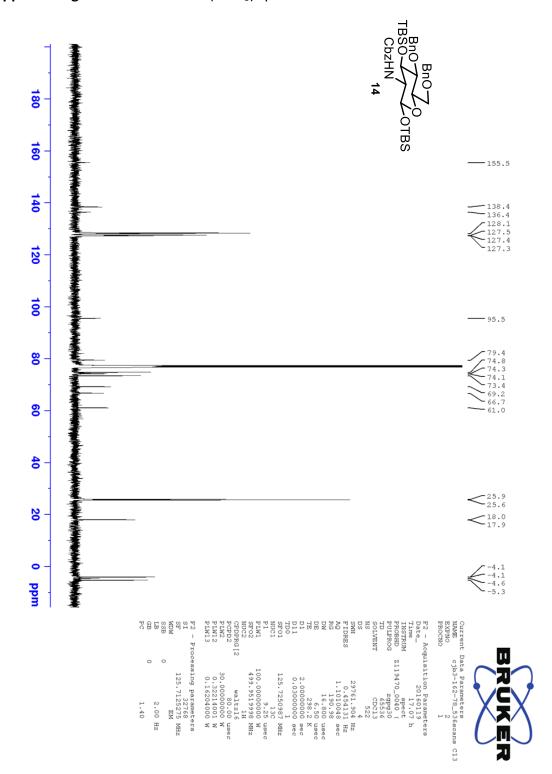
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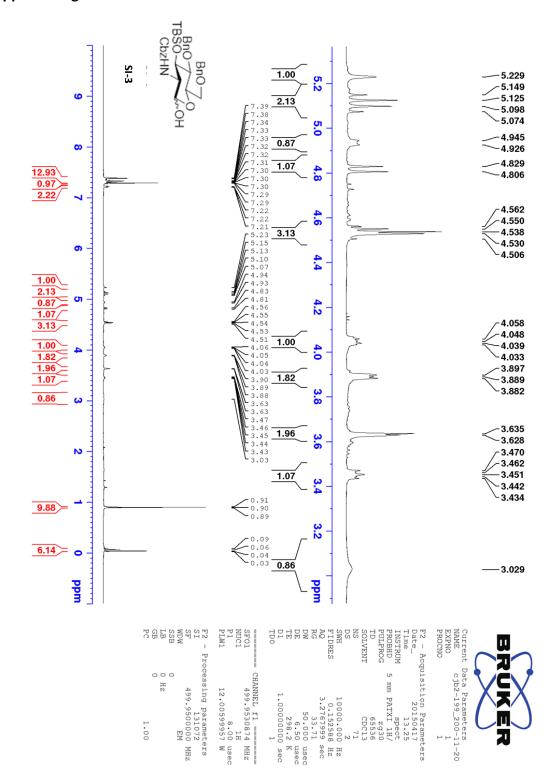
Appendix Figure 6.107: ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) spectrum of 5



Appendix Figure 6.108: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) spectrum of 14



Appendix Figure 6.109: ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) spectrum of 14



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Appendix Figure 6.110: ¹H NMR lactol SI-3

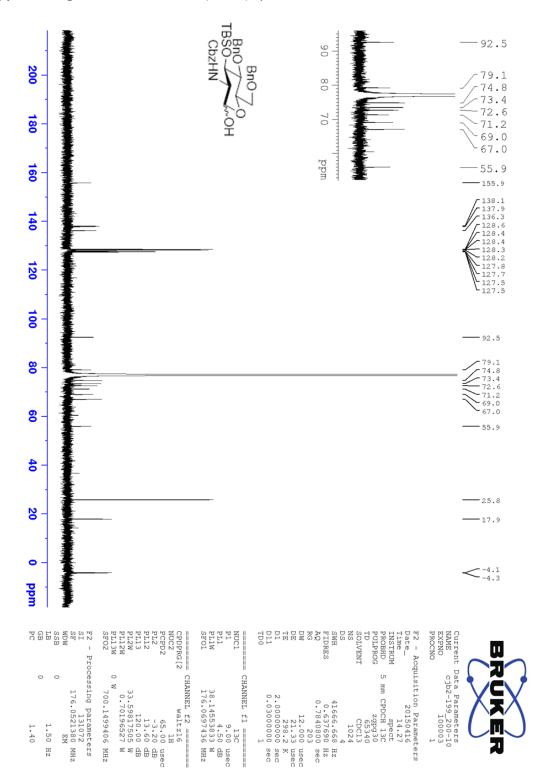
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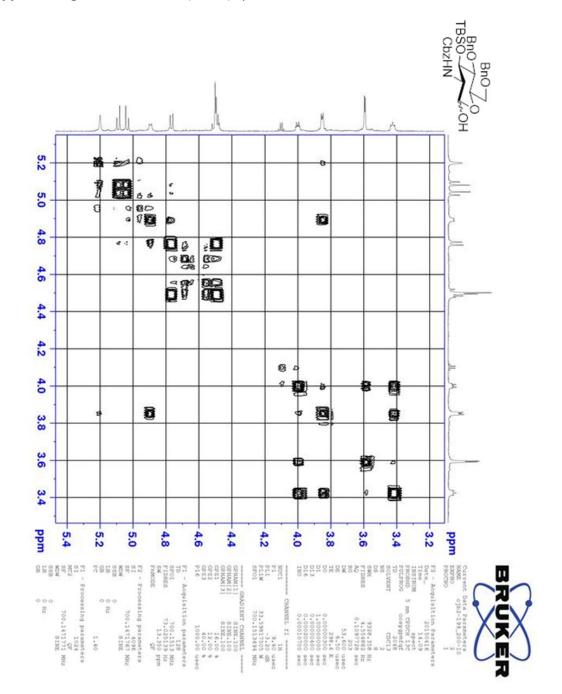
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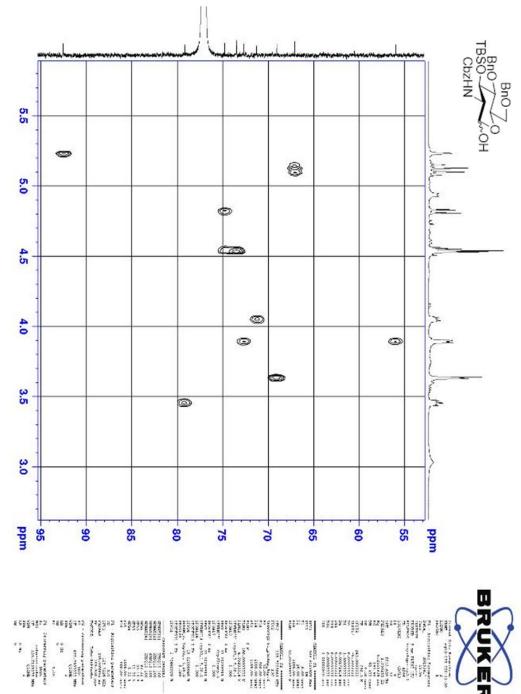
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Appendix Figure 6.111: ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) spectrum of SI-3



Appendix Figure 6.112: COSY (CDCl₃) spectrum of lactol SI-3

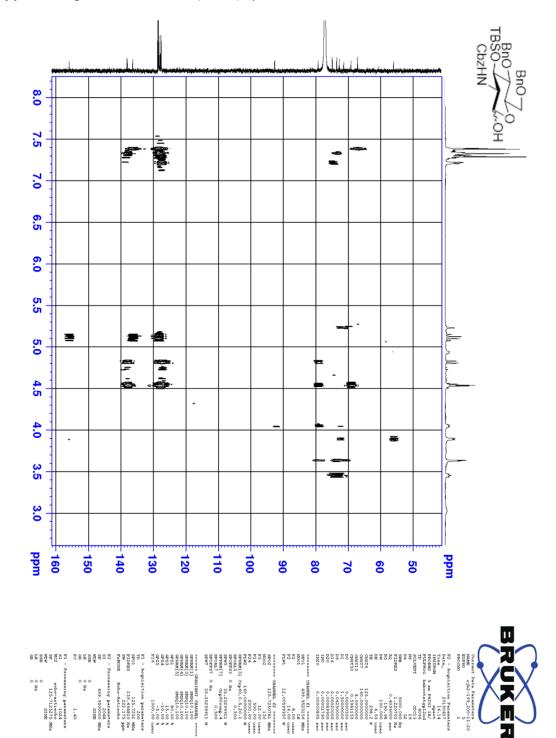


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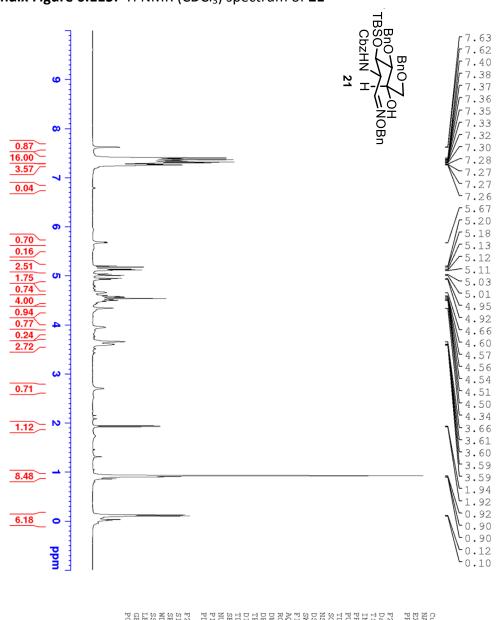
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Appendix Figure 6.113: HSQC (CDCl₃) spectrum of lactol SI-3

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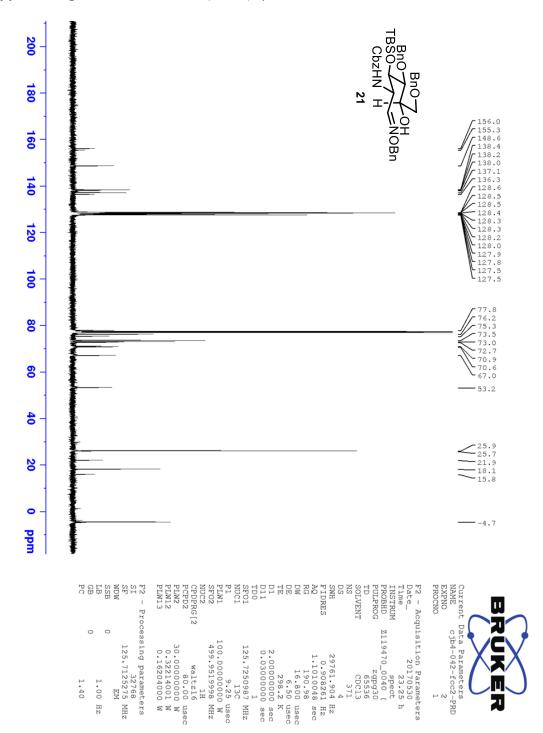


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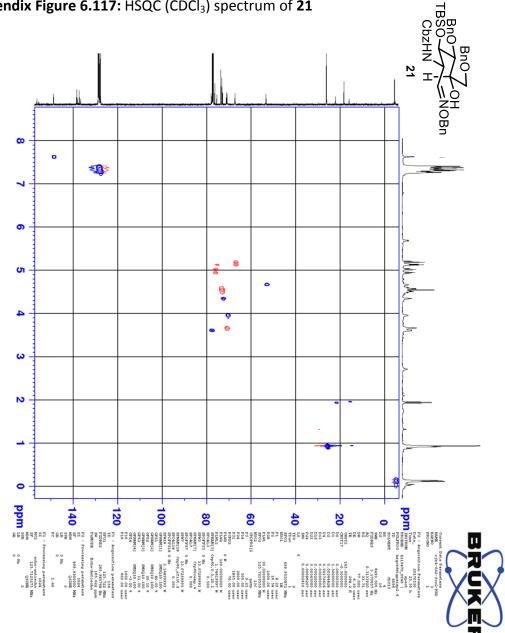


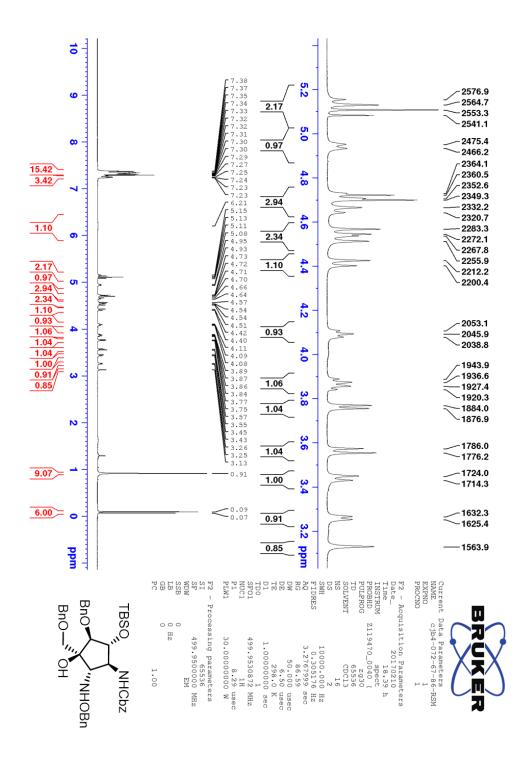
Appendix Figure 6.115: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) spectrum of 21

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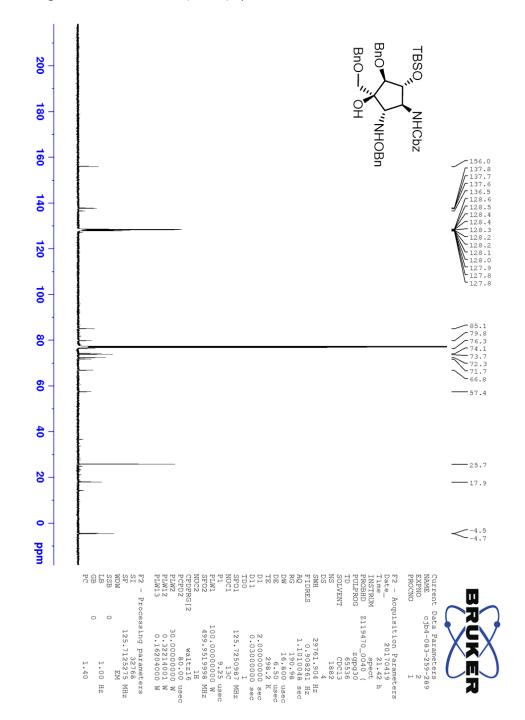


Appendix Figure 6.116: ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) spectrum of 21

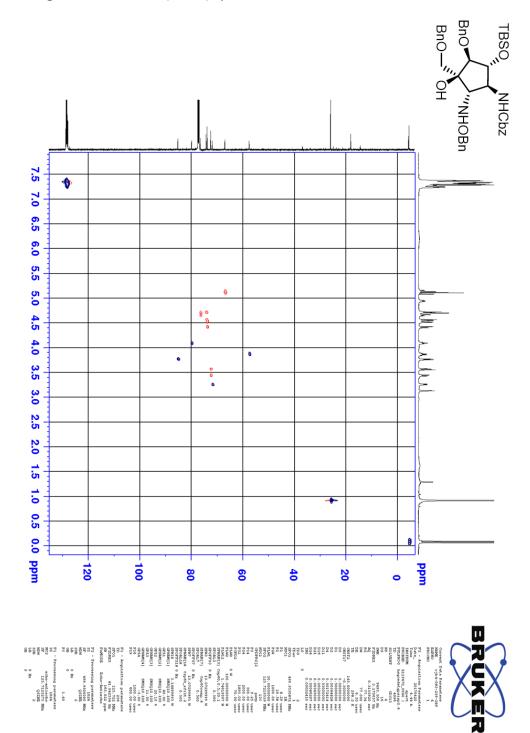




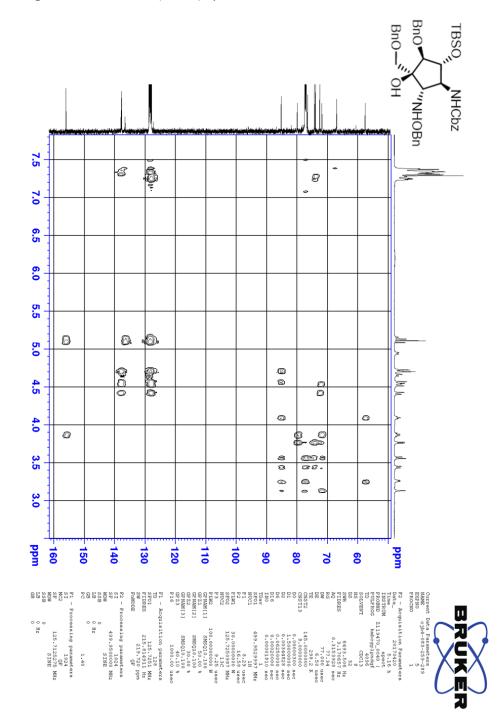
Appendix Figure 6.118: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) spectrum of TM-120



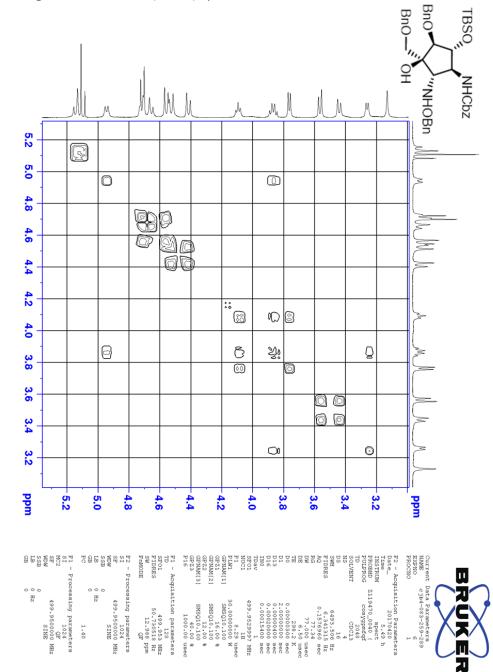
Appendix Figure 6.119: ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) spectrum of TM-120



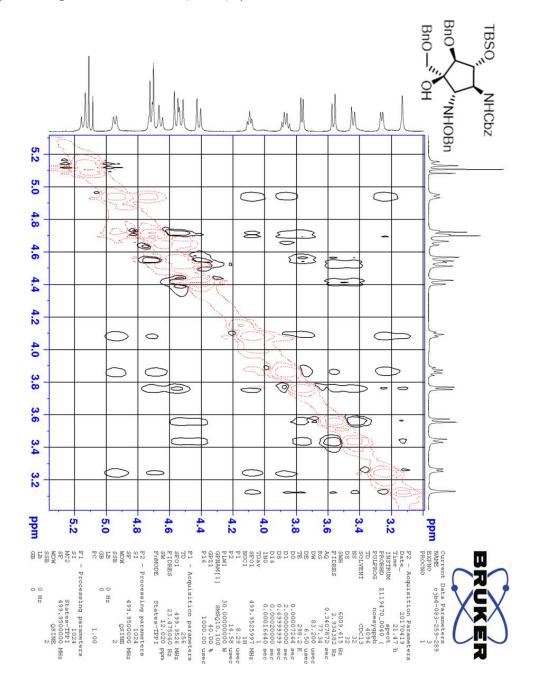
Appendix Figure 6.120: HSQC (CDCl₃) spectrum of TM-120



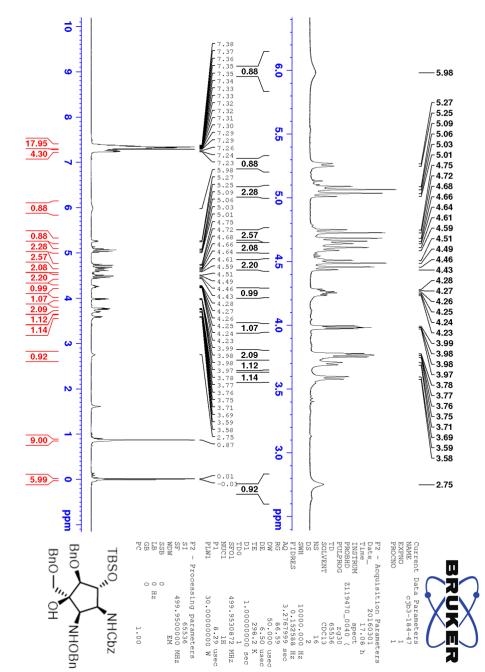
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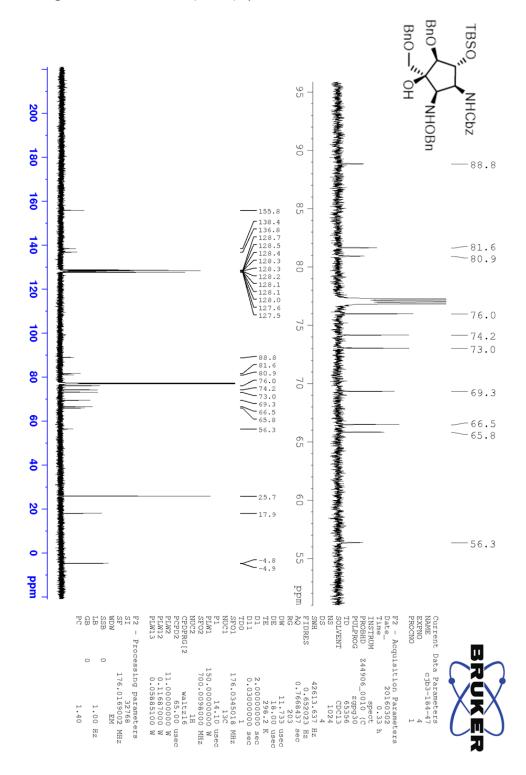
Appendix Figure 6.122: COSY (CDCl₃) spectrum of TM-120



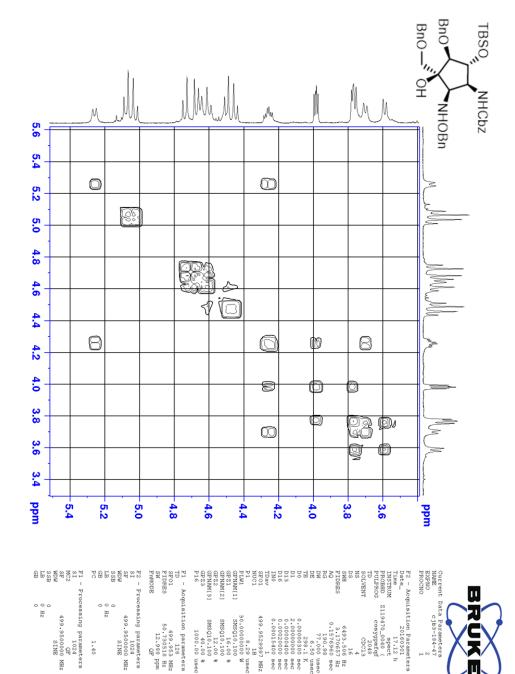
Appendix Figure 6.123: NOESY (CDCl₃) spectrum of TM-120



Appendix Figure 6.124: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) spectrum of TM-119



Appendix Figure 6.125: ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) spectrum of TM119



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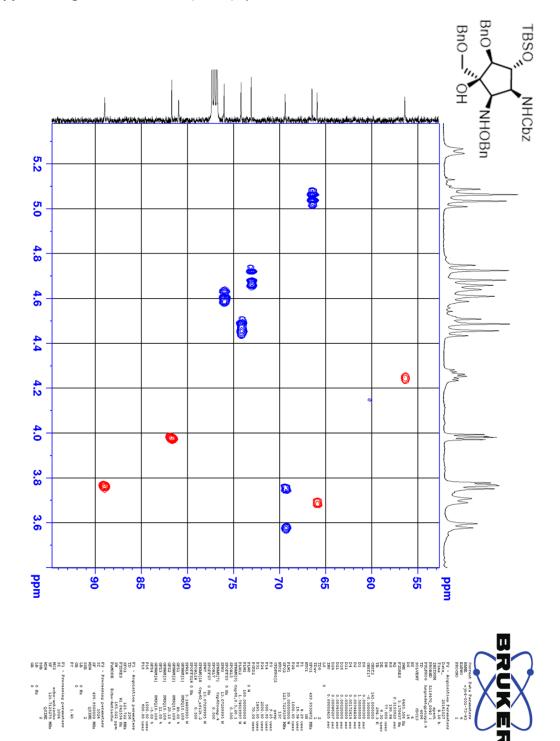
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Appendix Figure 6.126: COSY (CDCl₃) spectrum of TM-119

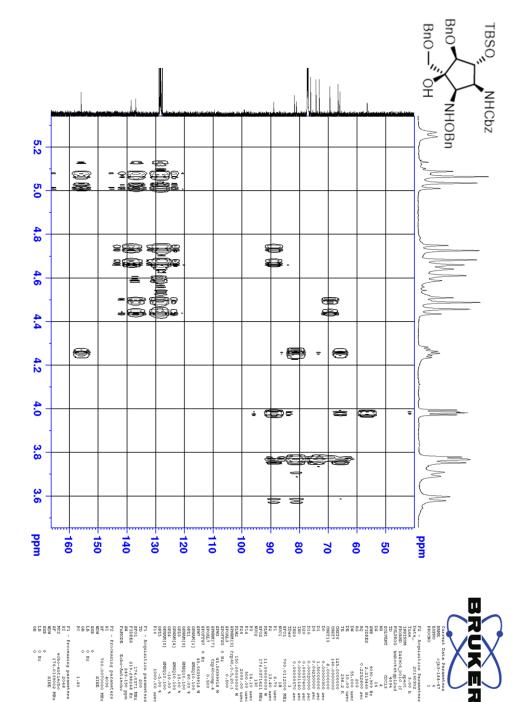


Appendix Figure 6.127: HSQC (CDCl₃) spectrum of TM-119

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Appendix Figure 6.128: HMBC (CDCl₃) spectrum of TM-119

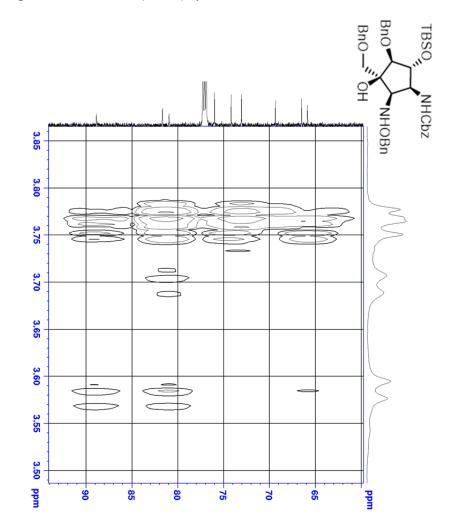
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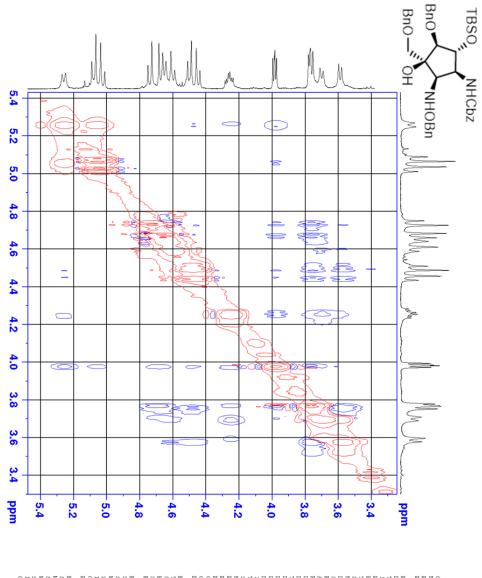
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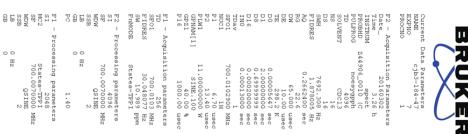
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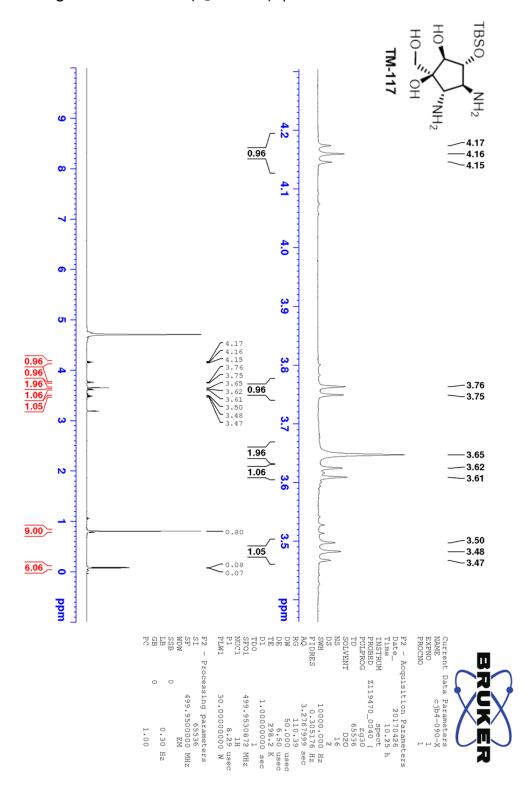
Appendix Figure 6.129: HMBC (CDCl₃) spectrum of TM-119



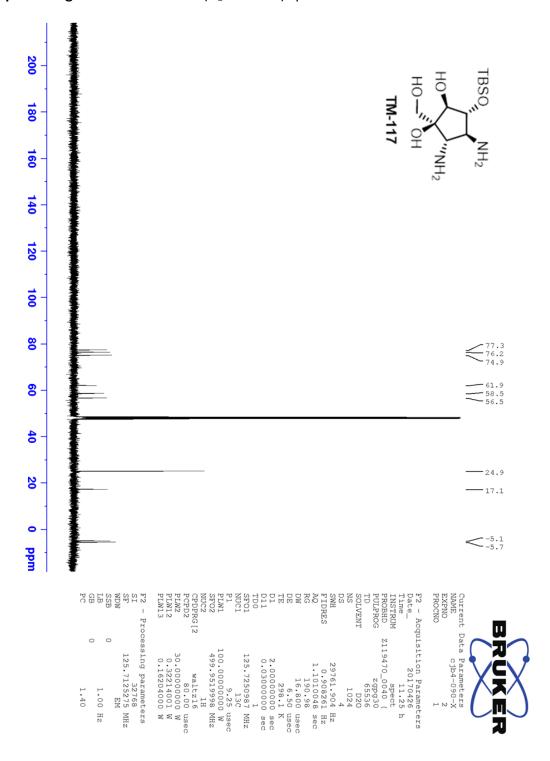
Appendix Figure 6.130: NOESY (CDCl₃) spectrum of TM-119



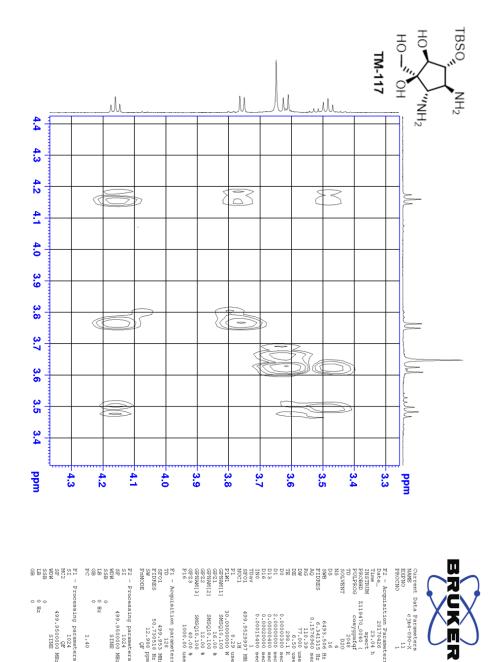
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Appendix Figure 6.131: ¹H NMR (D₂O-MeOD) spectrum of TM-117



Appendix Figure 6.132: ¹³C NMR (D₂O-MeOD) spectrum of TM-117



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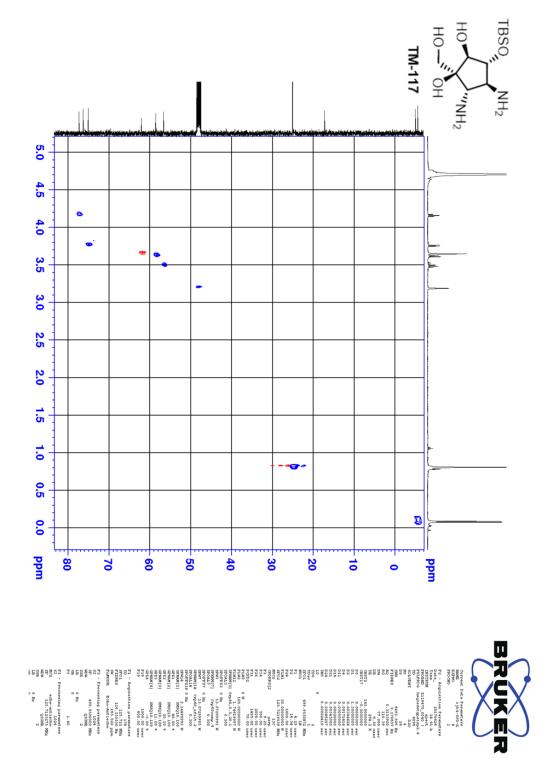
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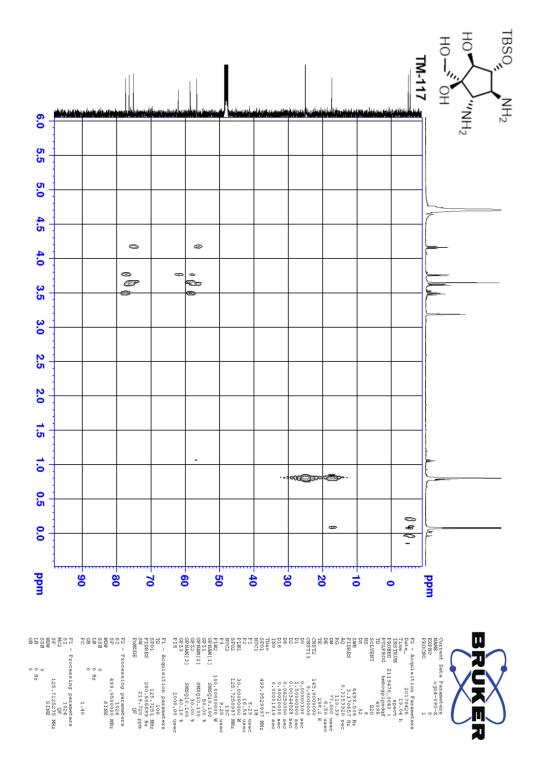
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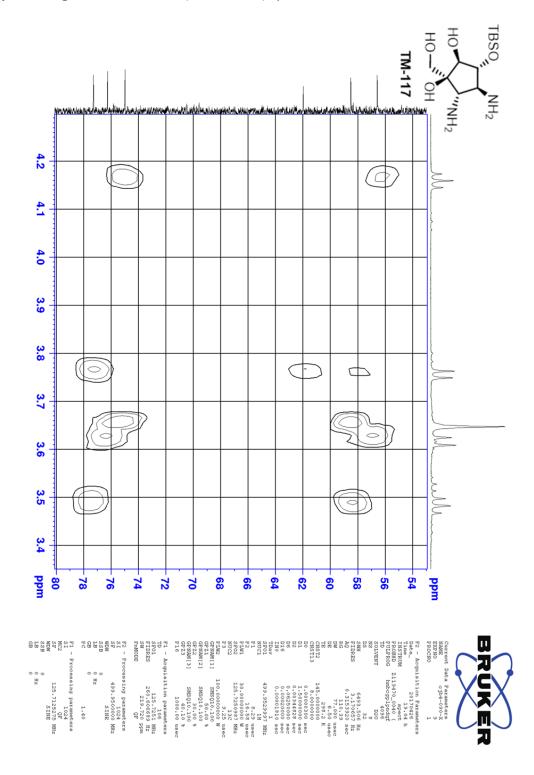
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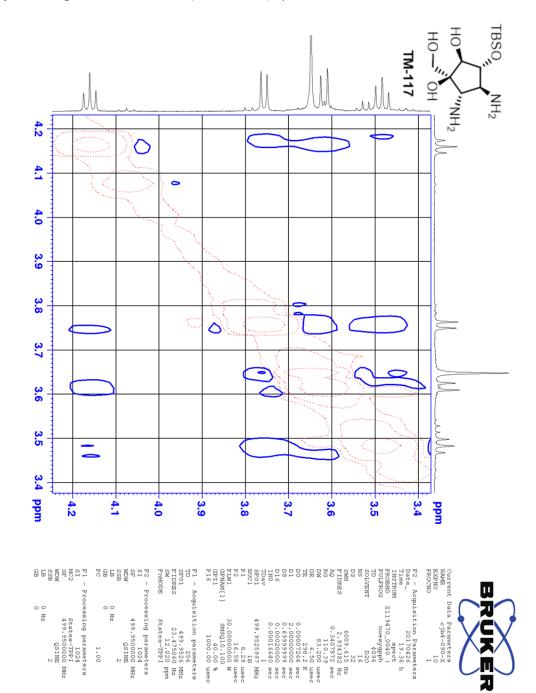
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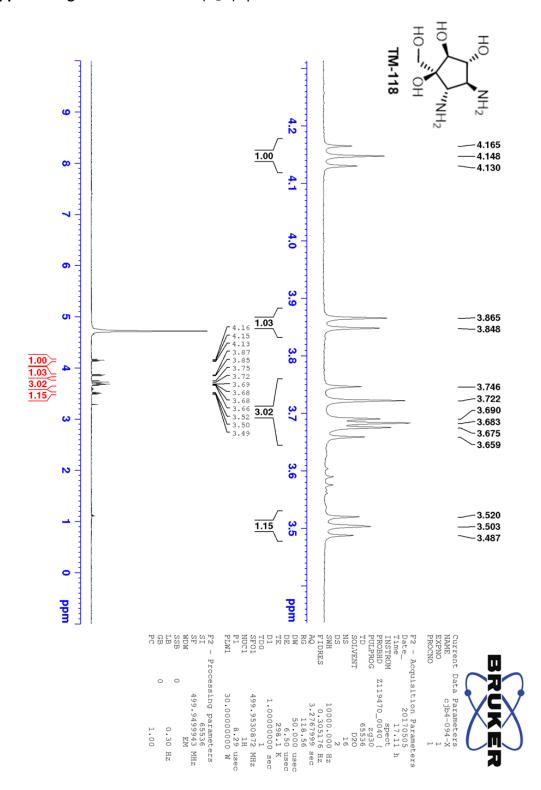
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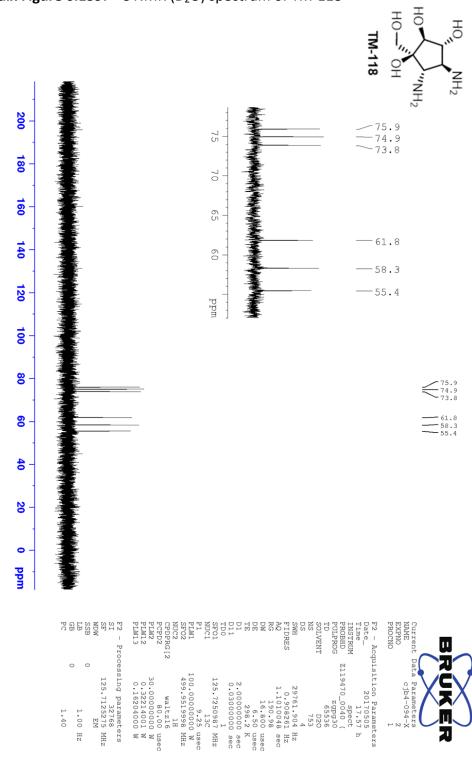
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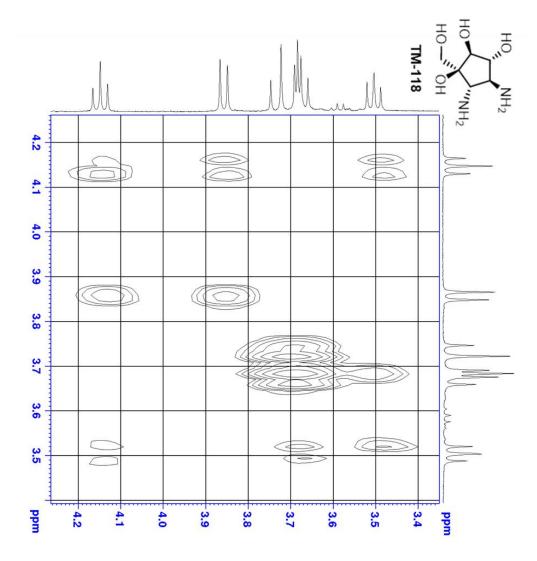
Appendix Figure 6.137: NOESY (D₂O-MeOD) spectrum of TM-117



Appendix Figure 6.138: ¹H NMR (D₂O) spectrum of TM-118

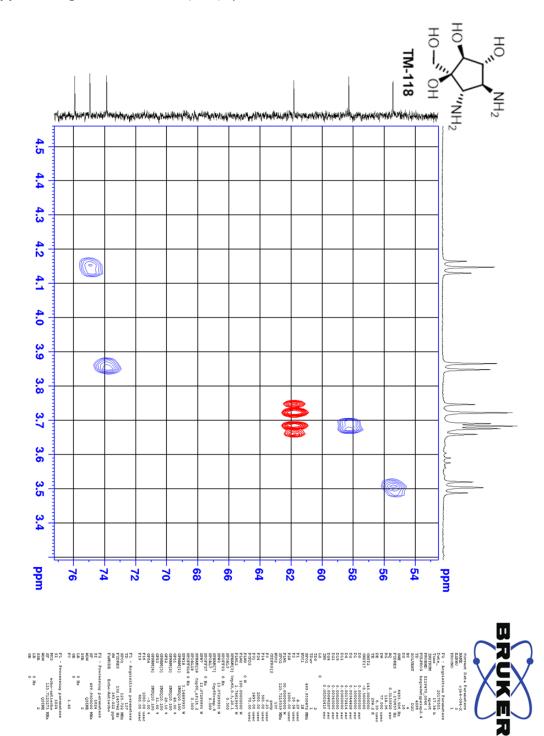


Appendix Figure 6.139: ¹³C NMR (D₂O) spectrum of TM-118

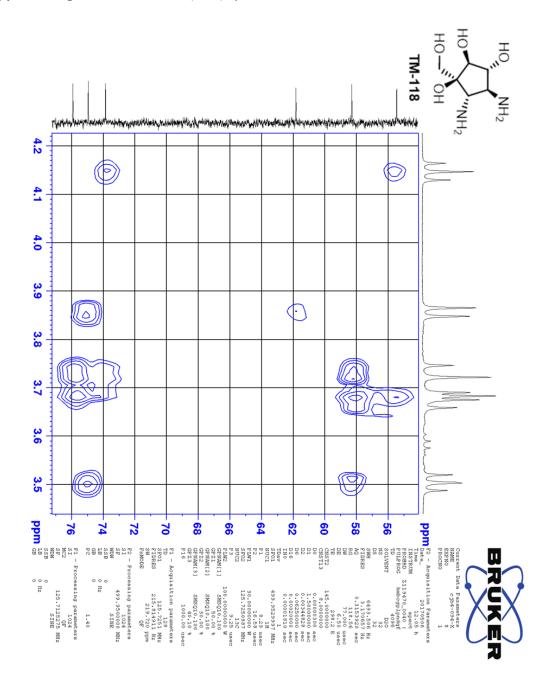


Appendix Figure 6.140: COSY (D₂O) spectrum of TM-118





Appendix Figure 6.141: HSQC (D₂O) spectrum of TM-118



Appendix Figure 6.142: HMBC (D₂O) spectrum of TM-118

