# **Supporting Information**

for

# Selective Synthesis of Hydroxy Analogues of Valinomycin using Dioxiranes

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#### **1. Materials and Methods**

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra (400 MHz) were referenced to residual isotopic impurity (2.05 ppm) of acetone- $d_6$  solvent and/or TMS. The <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra (100 MHz) were referenced to the middle peak of acetone- $d_6$  solvent (30.83 ppm).

The mass spectra were obtained using a Micromass M@LDI<sup>™</sup>–LR (Waters MS Technologies, timeof-flight mass spectrometer equipped with a nitrogen UV laser (337 nm) reflectron optics, fast dual micro-channel plate (MCP) detector. Previous to MS analysis, the samples (dissolved in acetonitrile ) were mixed (1:1, v:v) with a 2,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid (DHB) solution [10 mg/mL, in acetonitrile (saturated with KCl)/water 50:50].

The HPLC analyses were run using a Supelcosil ABZ+plus column ( $150\times4.6$  mm, 5 mm) or a silica gel (Ascentis<sup>®</sup> Si, 250 × 2.1 mm, 5 mm). Preparative HPLC separations were carried out on a silica gel column (Ascentis<sup>®</sup> Si, 250 × 10 mm, 5 µm).

Acetone and other common solvents were purified by standard methods. Commercial Valinomycin (2) of >95% purity (HPLC) was used without further purification. Commercial 1,1,1-trifluoro-2-propanone (TFP) (bp 22 °C), was purified by fractional distillation over granular  $P_2O_5$ , stored over 5 Å molecular sieves, and routinely redistilled prior to use. Caroat<sup>®</sup> triple salt 2KHSO<sub>5</sub>·KHSO<sub>4</sub>·K<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (a gift from Peroxid-Chemie, Degussa, Germany) was our source of potassium peroxymonosulfate, employed in the synthesis of dioxirane **1b**. Solutions of 0.5-1.0 M methyl(trifluoromethyl)dioxirane (**1b**) in 1,1,1-trifluoropropanone (TFP) were obtained by adopting procedures, equipment, and precautions already reported in detail (Mello, R.; Fiorentino, M.; Fusco, C.; Curci, R. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1989**, *111*, 6749).

The following procedure is representative of valinomycin (2) oxidation using TFDO (1b):

**Monohydroxylation of valinomycin.** A standardized cold solution of TFDO (**1b**) in 1,1,1trifluoropropanone (TFP) (0.9 M, 1 mL, 0.9 mmol) is added in one portion to a stirred solution of VLM (**2**) (100 mg, 0.090 mmol) in acetone (2 mL) kept at 0 °C. The reaction progress is monitored by HPLC (30 minutes, linear gradient of 70-100% acetonitrile in water; flow rate: 1.0 mL/min; UV detector 220 nm). After 6 h reaction time at 0 °C, the solvent is removed under reduced pressure and the product mixture separated from the unreacted starting material by column chromatography (silica gel, ethyl ether/hexane 3:1). This allows the recover of unreacted valinomycin (55 mg, 0.049 mmol). The mixture of products thus separated in turn undergoes treatment with preparative HPLC (hexane/isopropanol 95:5, flow rate 2.0 mL/min, UV detector 220 nm), affording each reaction products as an amorphous solid in > 95% purity (HPLC): **3a** (16.0 mg , 14  $\mu$ mol), **3b** (10.0 mg , 8.9  $\mu$ mol), and **3c** (9.1 mg, 8.1  $\mu$ mol). Based on the amount valinomycin converted (45 mg), the yield of **3a**, **3b**, and **3c** is estimated as 35, 22, and 20%, respectively.

The NMR spectral data of compound **3a-c** are collected in Tables *S1-S6*. Spectra are shown in Figures *S1-S24*.

Structure assignment of compounds **3a**, **3b**, and **3c** was based on their 1D NMR (<sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, DEPT-135) and 2D NMR (COSY, NOESY, HMQC, HMBC) spectra. The procedure relied on sequence-specific assignments based on the residual NH<sub>i+1</sub>- $\alpha$ H<sub>i</sub> correlations provided by the corresponding <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H NOESY NMR spectra. (Cavanagh, J. et al. in *Protein NMR Spectroscopy: Principles and Practice*; Academic, 1996; Chapter 8) This approach was especially useful in discriminating compound **3b** from **3c**, since their structural divergences derive almost entirely from the different residues that are proximal to the hydroxylated valine moiety. For instance, the NMR structure determination of **3b** began by the assignment of the <sup>1</sup>H NMR six downfield doublet signals in the 8.06 ÷7.60 ppm range to the resonance of the six amide protons. In turn, by means of the COSY correlations, the signals in the 4.45÷4.20 ppm range could be attributed to the resonance of the  $\alpha$ -CH protons of the valine residues. As a result of dioxirane *O*-insertion into the  $\beta$ -CH bond of the D-Val residue, its  $\alpha$ -CH proton resonance (4.45 ppm) appears as a clean doublet, due to single coupling with the vicinal NH proton. The latter resonance was eventually identified as a doublet at 7.60 ppm by the corresponding COSY cross-peak.

### 2. NMR Spectral Data of Compound 3a-c.

	Residue					
	D-β-ОН-Нуі	D-Hyi	D-Val	L-Val	L-Lac	
NH	-	-	7.74 (d, 8.4) <sup><math>d,e</math></sup> 7.662 (d, 7.6) <sup><math>d</math></sup> 7.657 (d, 7.6) <sup><math>d</math></sup>	7.97 (d, 7.6) <sup>d</sup> 7.94 (d, 6.8) <sup>d</sup> 7.92 (d, 7.2) <sup>d</sup>	-	
α-C <i>H</i>	4.95 (s)	5.01 (d, 4.0) 5.00 (d, 3.6)	$\begin{array}{c} 4.43 \ (\text{dd}, 8.4, 7.2)^e \\ 4.39\text{-}4.34 \ (\text{m}, 2\text{H}) \end{array}$	4.26-4.18 (m, 3H)	5.43-5.35 (m, 3H)	
β-CH	$4.52 (s)^c$		2.39 - 2.14 (m, 8H)			
β-CH <sub>3</sub>	-	-	-	-	1.42 (d, 6.8) 1.409 (d, 6.8) 1.406 (d, 6.4)	
γ-CH <sub>3</sub>	1.28 (s) 1.24 (s)	1.08 - 0.96 (m, 48H)			-	

**Table S1.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR Chemical shift values (ppm) for compound **3a**.<sup>*a,b*</sup>

<sup>*a*</sup>Data are for spectra in acetone- $d_6$  at 400 MHz. <sup>*b*</sup>Signal multiplicity, *J* values (±0.4 Hz), and signal integration values (if >1) are specified in parentheses. <sup>*c*</sup>Resonance of the  $\beta$ -OH proton. <sup>*d*</sup>Assigned on the basis of the NOESY spectrum (Fig. S5). <sup>*e*</sup>Relative to the D-Hyi residue sequential to the D- $\beta$ -OH-Val residue.

Table S2. <sup>13</sup>C NMR Chemical shift values (ppm) for compound 3a.<sup>a</sup>

	Residue						
	D-β-ОН-Нуі	D-Hyi	D-Val	L-Val	L-Lac		
С=О	173.5, 173.4,	173.5, 173.4, 173.22, 173.16, 173.0, 172.2, 172.0, 171.4, 171.3, 171.0					
α- <i>C</i> H	80.8	80.12 80.08	59.9 59.8 59.6	61.3 61.2 61.1	72.05 71.09 [2]		
β- <i>C</i> H	72.6 <sup>b</sup>	32.17 [2]	32.17 [2] 31.8, 31.61, 31.58, 31.1, 30.88, 30.86				
β- <i>C</i> H <sub>3</sub>	-	-	-	-	18.38 18.35 [2]		
γ- <i>C</i> H <sub>3</sub>	27.8 27.3	20.7 [4], 20.6, 20.5, 20.4 [2], 20.3 [2], 20.2, 19.93, 19.89, 19.7, 18.07, 18.02					

<sup>*a*</sup>Data are for spectra in acetone- $d_6$  at 100 MHz. <sup>*b*</sup>Resonance of the C-OH carbon.

	Residue					
	D-β-OH-Val	D-Hyi	D-Val	L-Val	L-Lac	
NH	7.60 (d, 8.8)	-	7.72 (d, 8.0) <sup>d</sup> 7.64 (d, 8.4) <sup>d</sup>	$8.06 (d, 6.8)^{d}$ 7.89 (d, 7.6) <sup>d</sup> 7.87 (d, 7.6) <sup>d</sup>	-	
α-CH	4.45 (d, 8.8)	$5.04 (d, 3.6)^e$	4.36 (pseudo-t, 8.0)	4.24-4.16 (m, 2H)	5.39-5.30 (m, 3H)	
a en		5.02 (d, 3.2) 5.01(d, 3.6)	4.32-4.28 (m, 2H)		e.e., e.e. (iii, 511)	
β-CH	$4.57 (s)^{c}$		2.40-2.14 (m, 8H)	-		
$\beta$ -CH <sub>3</sub>	-	-			1.43-1.39 (m, 9H)	
γ <b>-</b> CH <sub>3</sub>	1.35 (s) 1.31 (s)	1.10-0.97 (m, 48H)			-	

**Table S3.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR Chemical shift values (ppm) for compound **3b**.<sup>*a,b*</sup>

<sup>*a*</sup>Footnote *a*, Table *S1*. <sup>*b*</sup>Footnote *b*, Table *S1*. <sup>*c*</sup>Resonance of the  $\beta$ -OH proton. <sup>*d*</sup>Assigned on the basis of the NOESY spectrum (Fig. *S11*). <sup>*e*</sup>Relative to the D-Hyi residue sequential to the D- $\beta$ -OH-Val residue.

	Residue					
	D-β-OH-Val	D-Hyi	D-Val	L-Val	L-Lac	
С=О	173.9, 173.40, 173.38, 173.25, 173.19, 173.0, 172.1, 172.0, 171.5, 171.2, 171.0, 170.7					
α- <i>C</i> H	62.9	80.2 [2] 80.1	60.1 59.8	61.3 61.2 61.0	72.3 72.0 71.7	
β- <i>С</i> Н	72.6 <sup>b</sup>	32.2 [2] 32.1	31.5, 31.2, 31.11, 31.10, 30.9		-	
β- <i>C</i> H <sub>3</sub>	-			-	18.6 18.44 18.36	
γ- <i>C</i> H <sub>3</sub>	28.9 28.7	20.64 [2], 20.58 [3], 20.4, 20.32 [2], 20.28, 20.2, 20.0 [2], 19.9, 18.14, 18.09 [2]				

**Table S4.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR Chemical shift values (ppm) for compound **3b**.<sup>*a*</sup>

<sup>*a*</sup>Footnote *a*, Table *S2*. <sup>*b*</sup>Resonance of the *C*-OH carbon.

	Residue					
	L-β-OH-Val	D-Hyi	D-Val	L-Val	L-Lac	
NH	7.70 (d, 7.2)	-	7.81 (d, 7.6) <sup>d</sup> 7.67 (d, 8.0) <sup>d</sup> 7.66 (d, 8.0) <sup>d</sup>	7.95 (d, 7.2) <sup>d</sup> 7.88 (d, 7.2) <sup>d</sup>	-	
α-CH	4.37 (d, 7.2)	5.04 (d, 3.6, 2H) 5.02 (d, 4.0)	4.37 (pseudo-t, 8.0) 4.31 (pseudo-t, 7.6) 4.30 (pseudo-t, 8.0)	4.28-4.22 (m, 2H)	5.37-5.28 (m, 3H)	
β-CH	$4.52 (s)^c$	2.40-2.19 (m, 8H)			-	
β-CH <sub>3</sub>	-	-	-	-	1.44-1.40 (m, 9H)	
γ-CH <sub>3</sub>	1.34 (s) 1.33 (s)	1.08-0.94 (m, 48H)			-	

**Table S5.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR Chemical shift values (ppm) for compound **3c**.<sup>*a,b*</sup>

<sup>*a*</sup>Footnote *a*, Table *S1*. <sup>*b*</sup>Footnote *b*, Table *S1*. <sup>*c*</sup>Resonance of the  $\beta$ -OH proton. <sup>*d*</sup>Assigned on the basis of the NOESY spectrum (Fig. *S19*). <sup>*e*</sup>Relative to the D-Hyi residue sequential to the L- $\beta$ -OH-Val.

**Table S6.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR Chemical shift values (ppm) for compound **3c**.<sup>*a*</sup>

	Residue					
	L-β-OH-Val	D-Hyi	D-Val	L-Val	L-Lac	
<i>C</i> =0	173.2, 173.0, 172.16, 172.14, 172.12, 171.87, 171.85, 171.82, 171.54, 171.45					
α- <i>C</i> H	63.6	80.2 80.1 79.8	60.4         61.1           60.2         61.0           59.8         61.0		72.16 72.14 71.03	
β- <i>С</i> Н	72.08 <sup>b</sup>	32.3 32.24 32.15 31.5, 31.2, 31.11, 31.10, 30.9 -			-	
CH <sub>3</sub>	28.6 (γ-CH <sub>3</sub> ) 28.2 (γ'-CH <sub>3</sub> )	20.7 [2], 20.5 [2], 20.4 [2], 20.36, 20.2 [2], 20.1, 20.0, 19.9, 18.8, 18.7, 18.6, 18.4, 18.2, 18.03, 18.00				

<sup>*a*</sup>Footnote *a*, Table *S2*. <sup>*b*</sup>Resonance of the *C*-OH carbon.

### 3. 1D-, 2D NMR, and MALDI spectra of compound 3a.

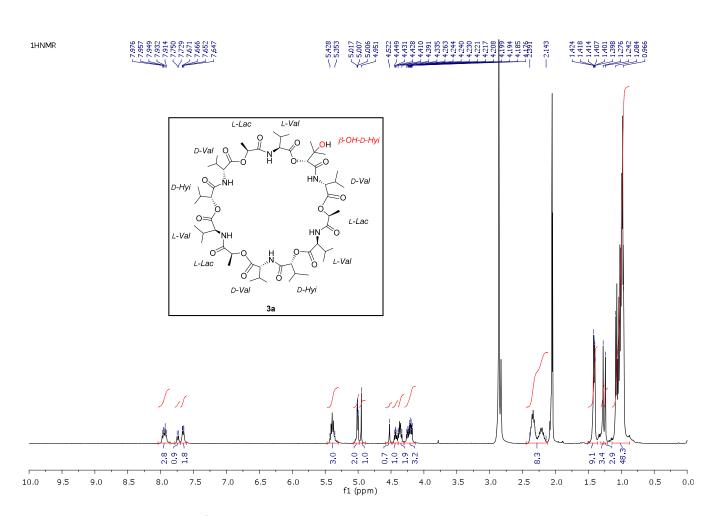
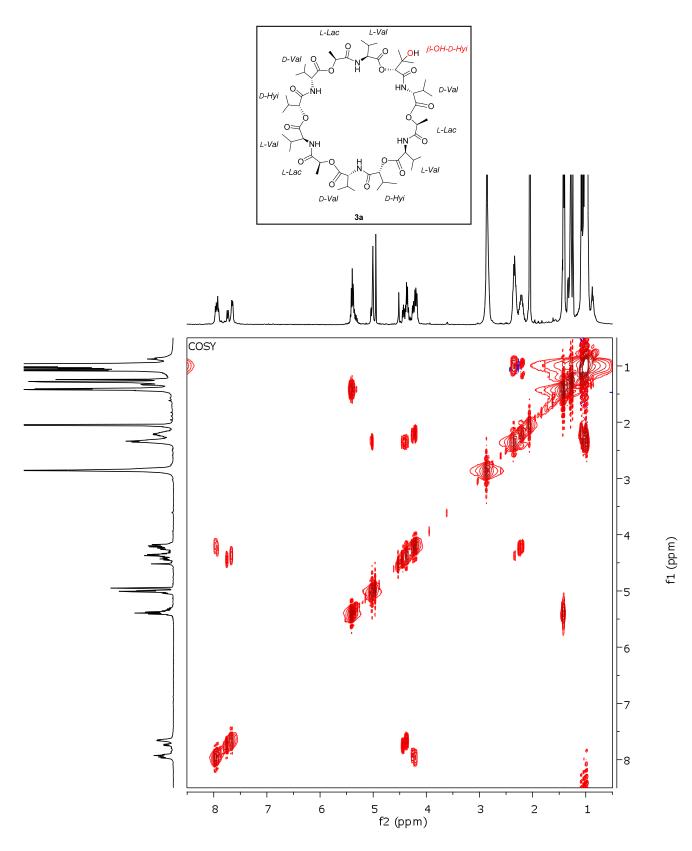
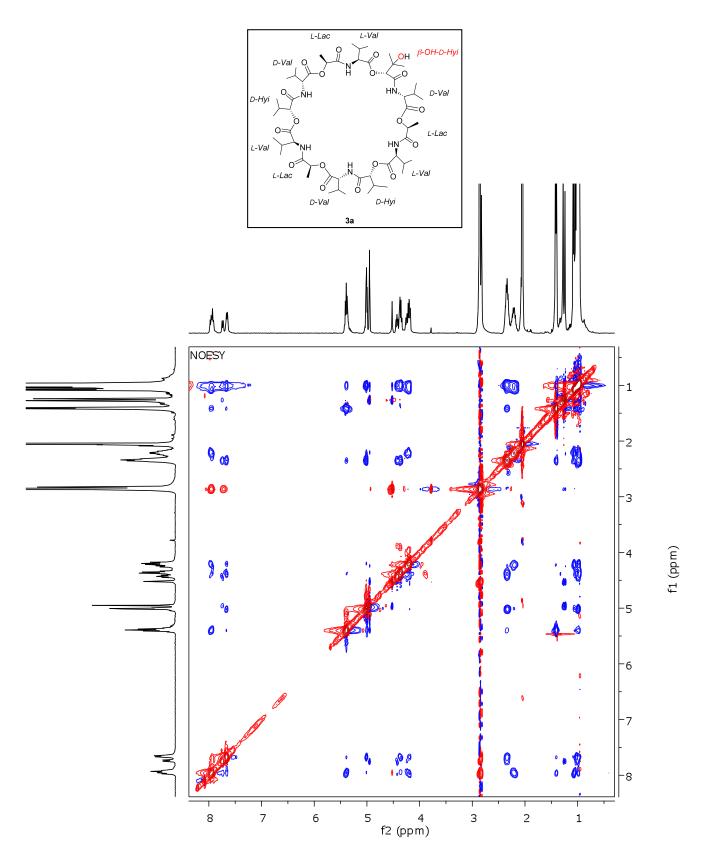


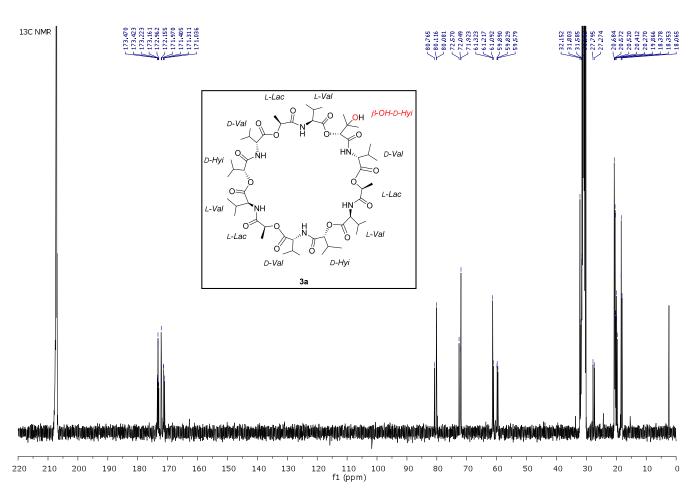
Figure S1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 3a (acetone- $d_6$ , 400 MHz).



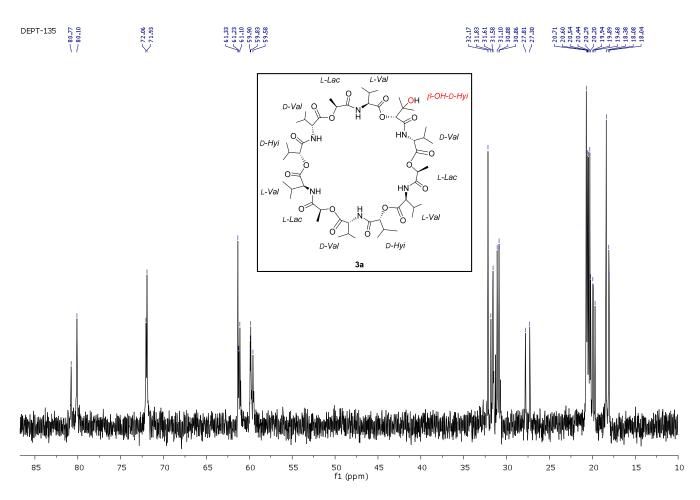
**Figure S2.** COSY NMR spectrum of compound **3a** (acetone- $d_6$ , 400 MHz).



**Figure** *S***3.** NOESY NMR spectrum of compound **3a** (acetone- $d_6$ , 400 MHz,  $t_{mix} = 0.35$  sec).



**Figure S4.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound **3a** (acetone- $d_6$ , 100 MHz).



**Figure** *S***5.** <sup>13</sup>C DEPT-135 NMR spectrum of compound **3a** (acetone- $d_6$ , 100 MHz).

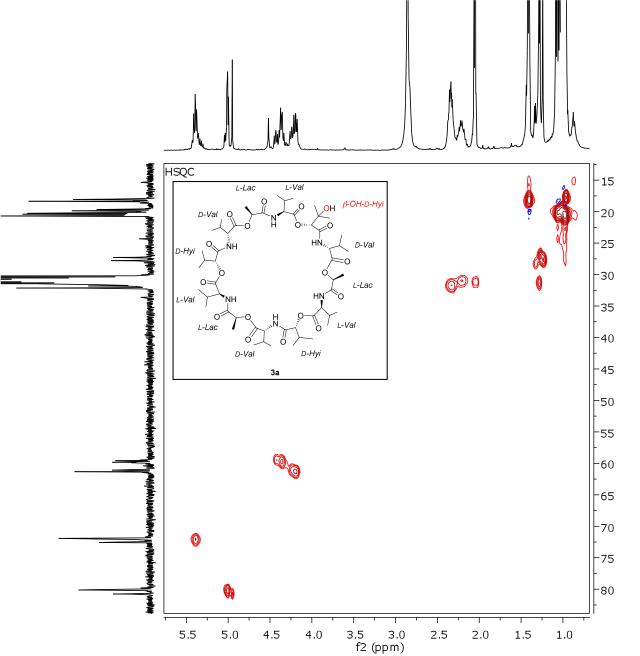


Figure S6. HSQC NMR spectrum of compound 3a (acetone- $d_6$ , 400 MHz).

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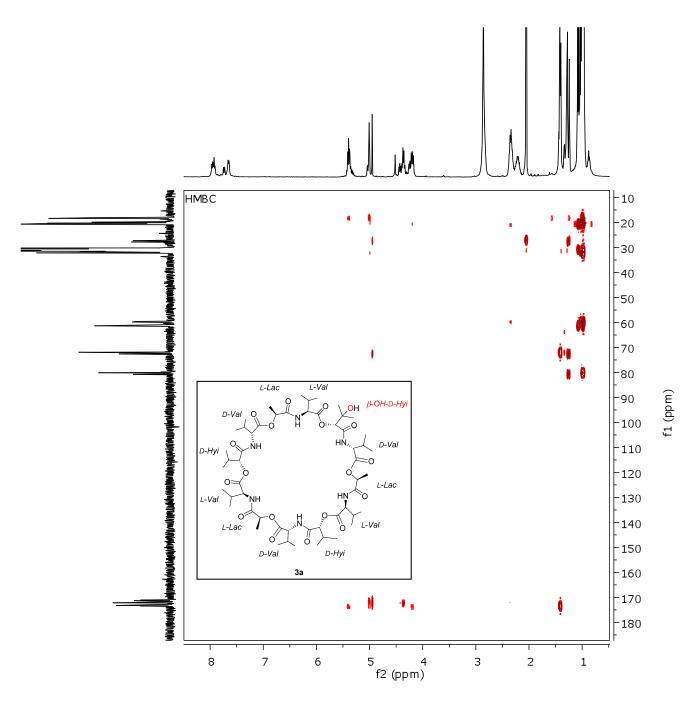


Figure S7. HMBC NMR spectrum of compound 3a (acetone- $d_6$ , 400 MHz).

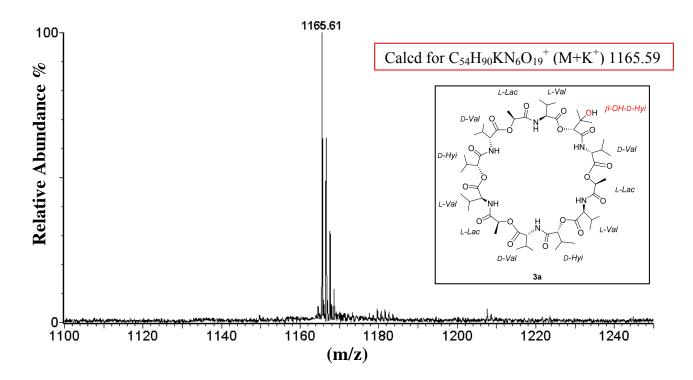
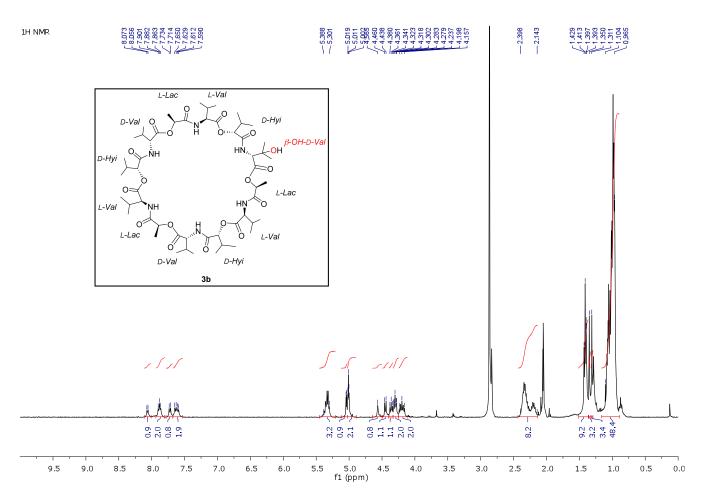


Figure S8. MALDI-ToF mass spectrum of compound 3a in the presence of KCl.



**Figure S9.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound **3b** (acetone- $d_6$ , 400 MHz).

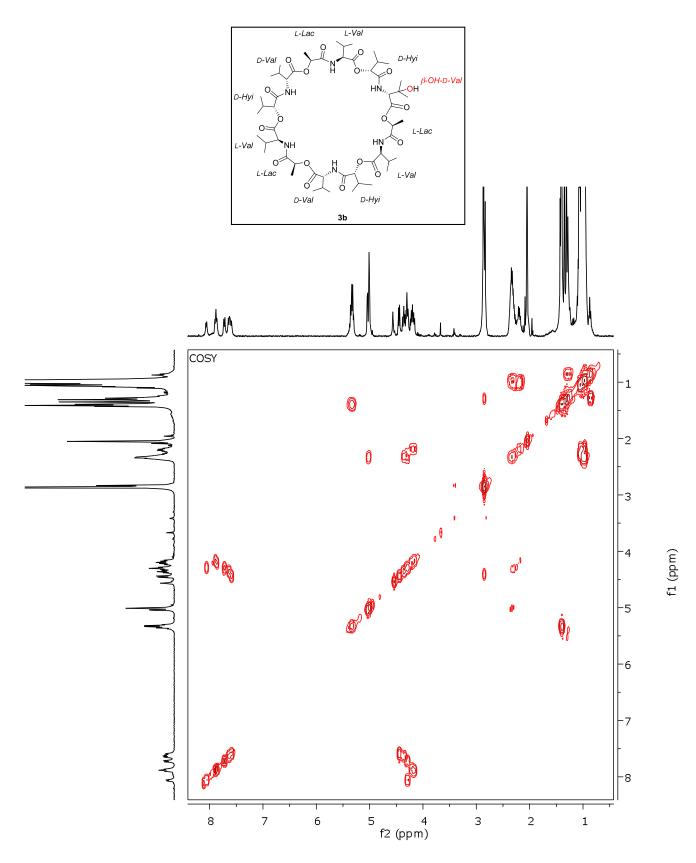
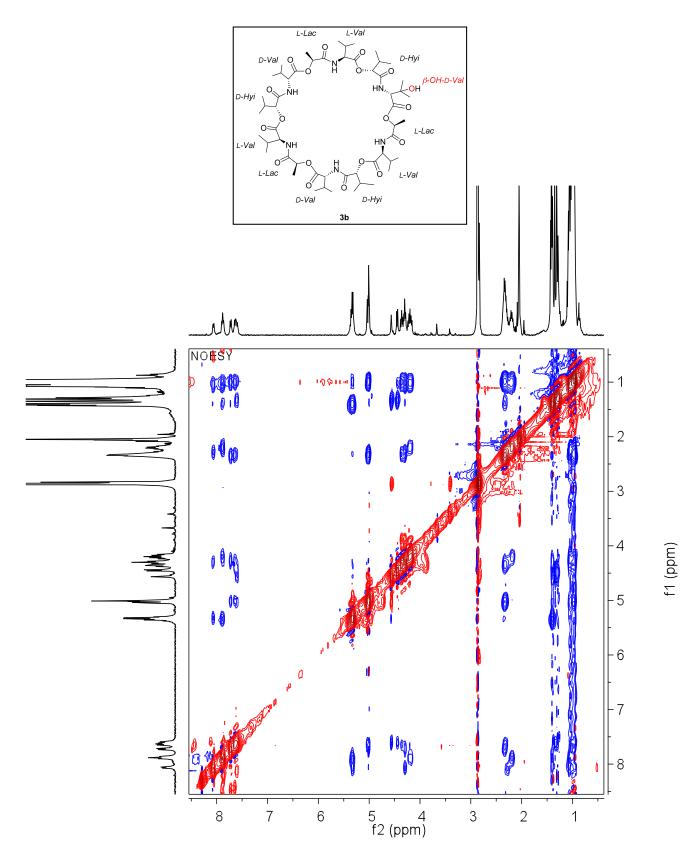
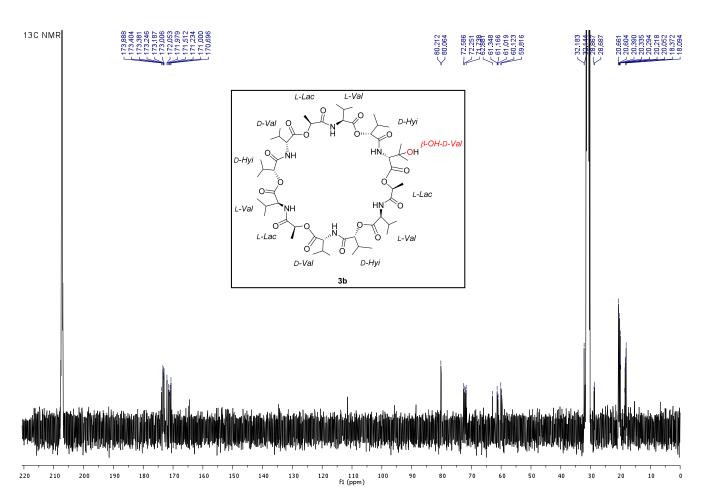


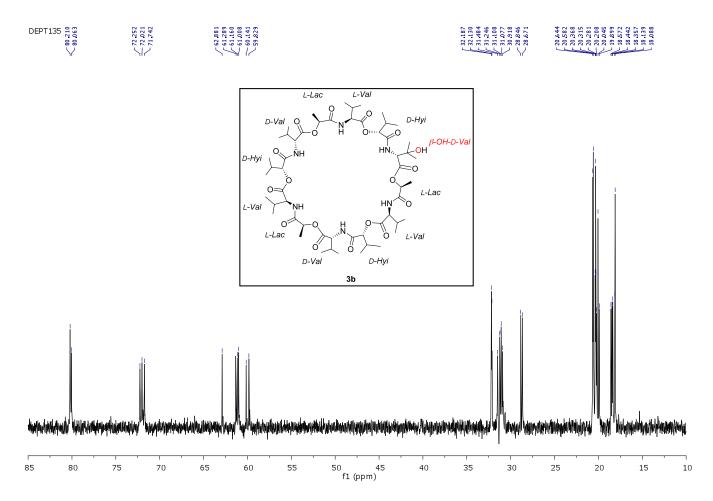
Figure S10. COSY NMR spectrum of compound 3b (acetone- $d_6$ , 400 MHz).



**Figure** *S11***.** NOESY NMR spectrum of compound **3b** (acetone- $d_6$ , 400 MHz,  $t_{mix} = 0.35$  sec).



**Figure** *S12*. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound **3b** (acetone- $d_6$ , 100 MHz).



**Figure** *S13***.** <sup>13</sup>C DEPT-135 NMR spectrum of compound **3b** (acetone- $d_6$ , 100 MHz).

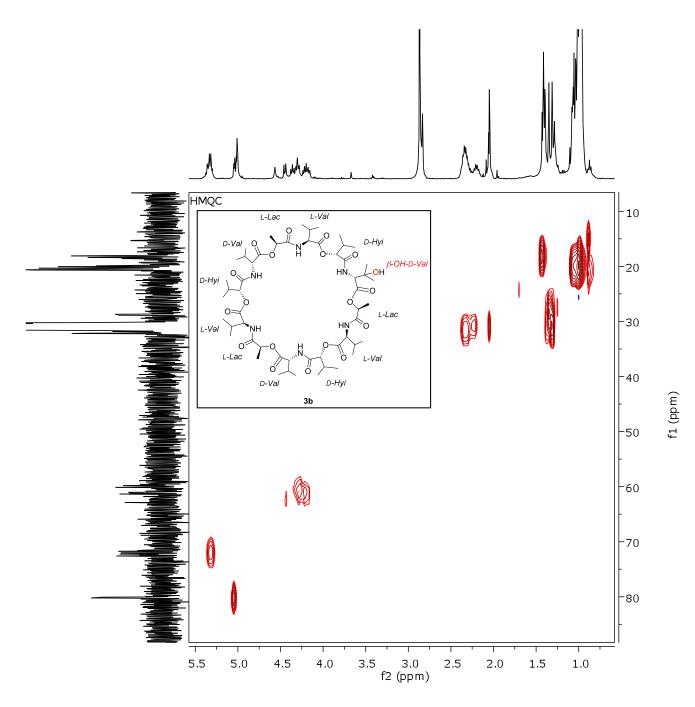
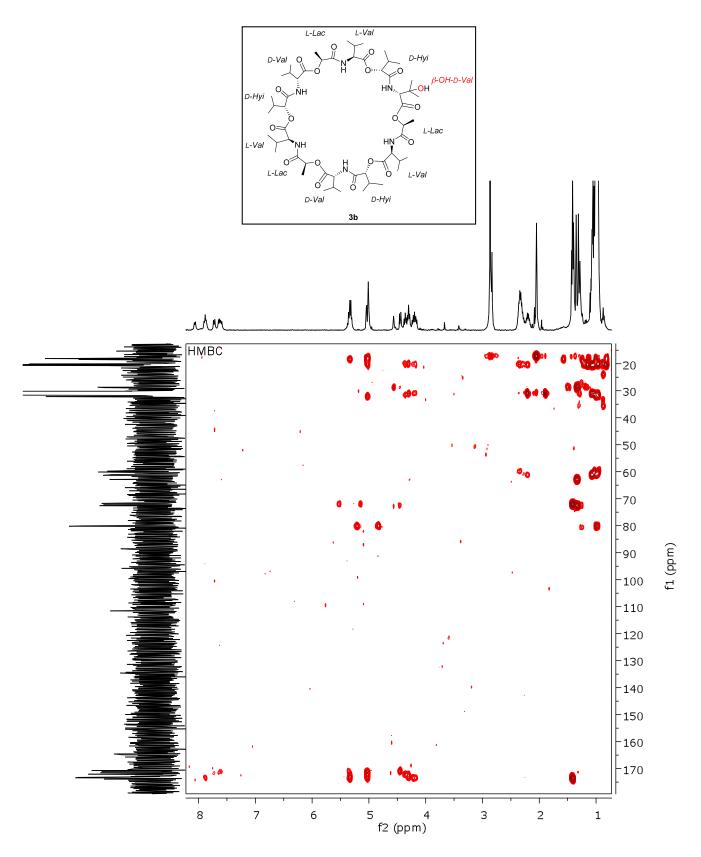


Figure S14. HMQC NMR spectrum of compound **3b** (acetone- $d_6$ , 400 MHz).



**Figure** *S15***.** HMBC NMR spectrum of compound **3b** (acetone- $d_6$ , 400 MHz).

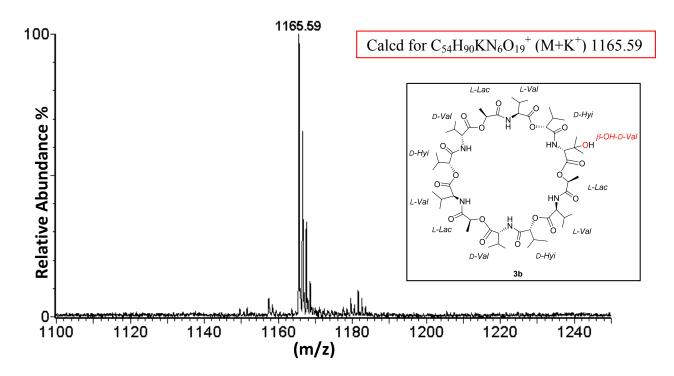
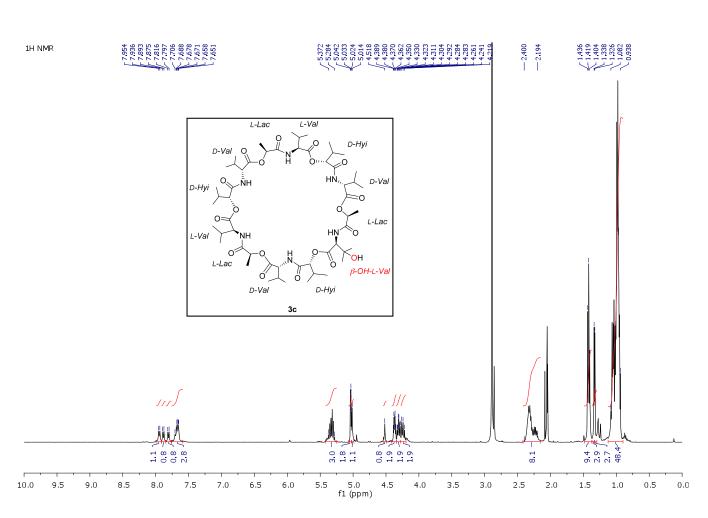


Figure *S16*. MALDI-ToF mass spectrum of compound **3b** in the presence of KCl.



**Figure** *S17.* <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound **3c** (acetone- $d_6$ , 400 MHz).

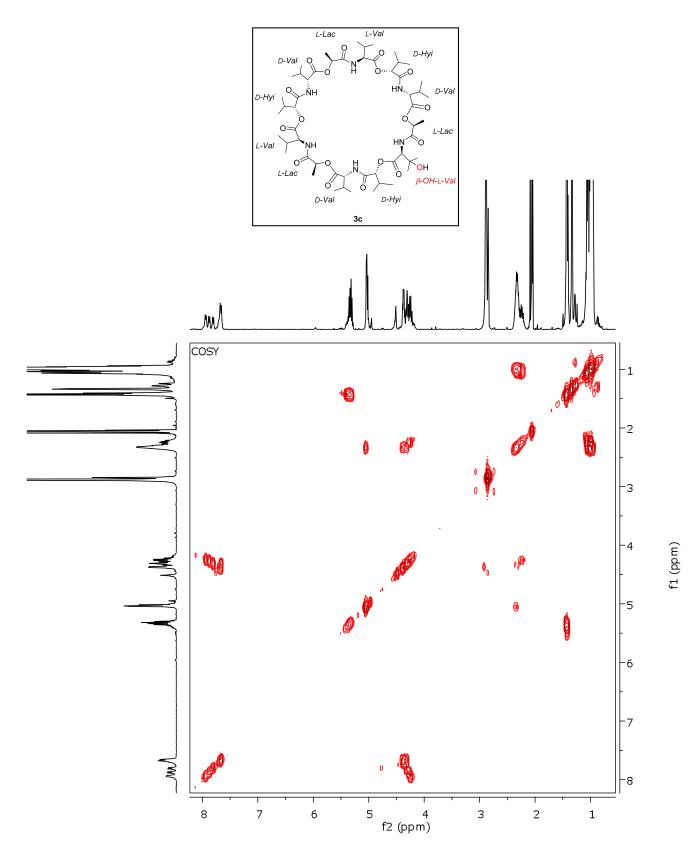
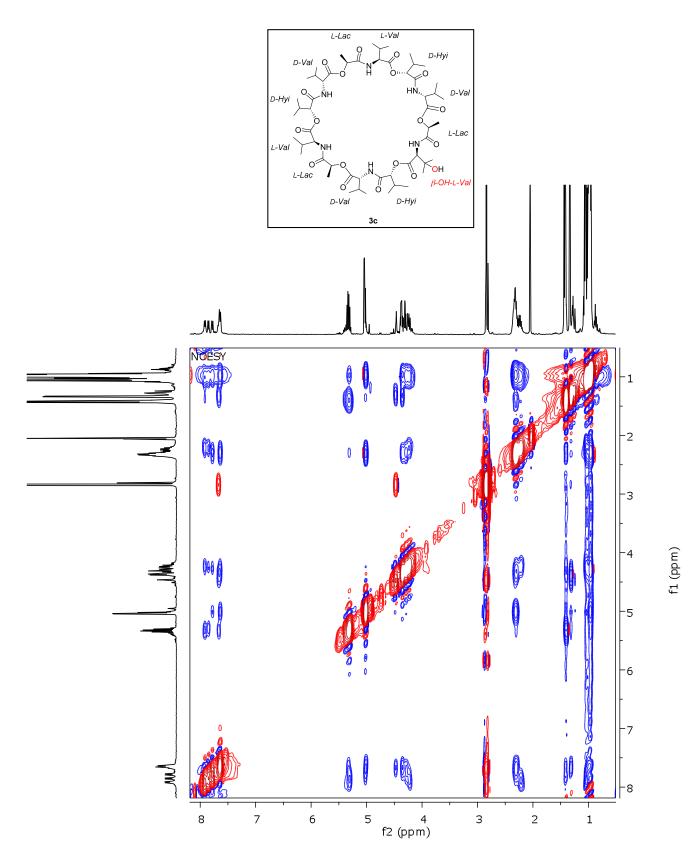
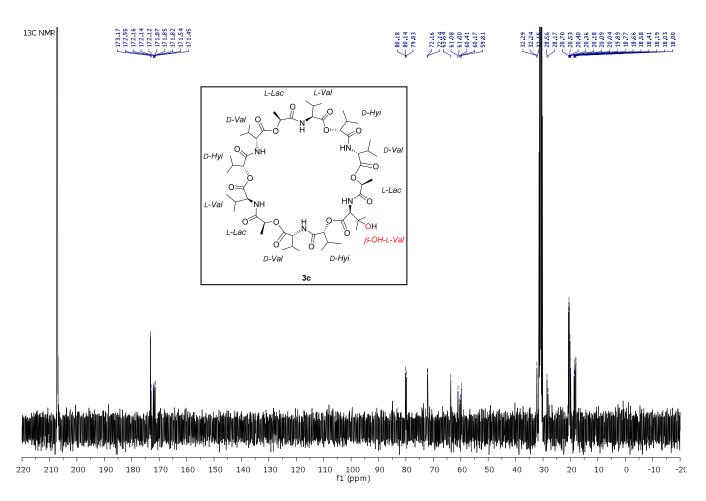


Figure S18. COSY NMR spectrum of compound 3c (acetone- $d_6$ , 400 MHz).



**Figure** *S19***.** NOESY NMR spectrum of compound **3c** (acetone- $d_6$ , 400 MHz,  $t_{mix} = 0.35$  sec).



**Figure** *S20***.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound **3**c (acetone- $d_6$ , 100 MHz).

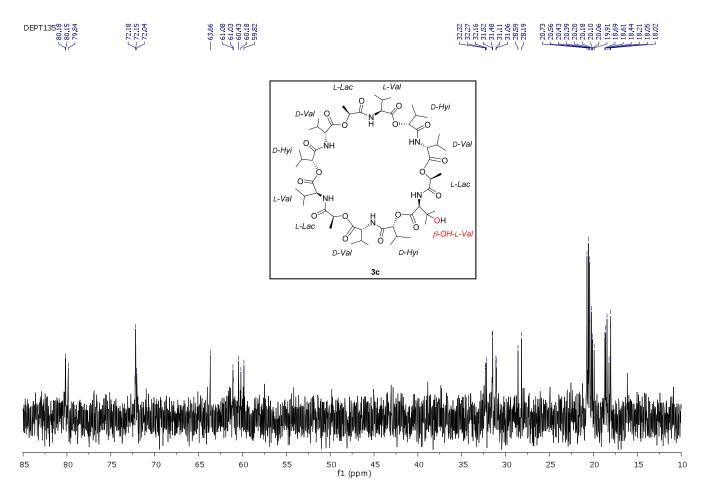
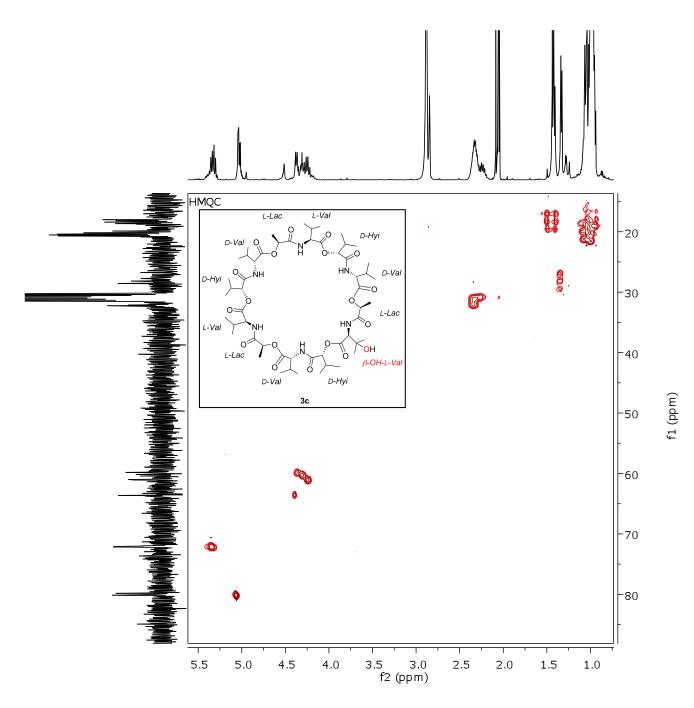
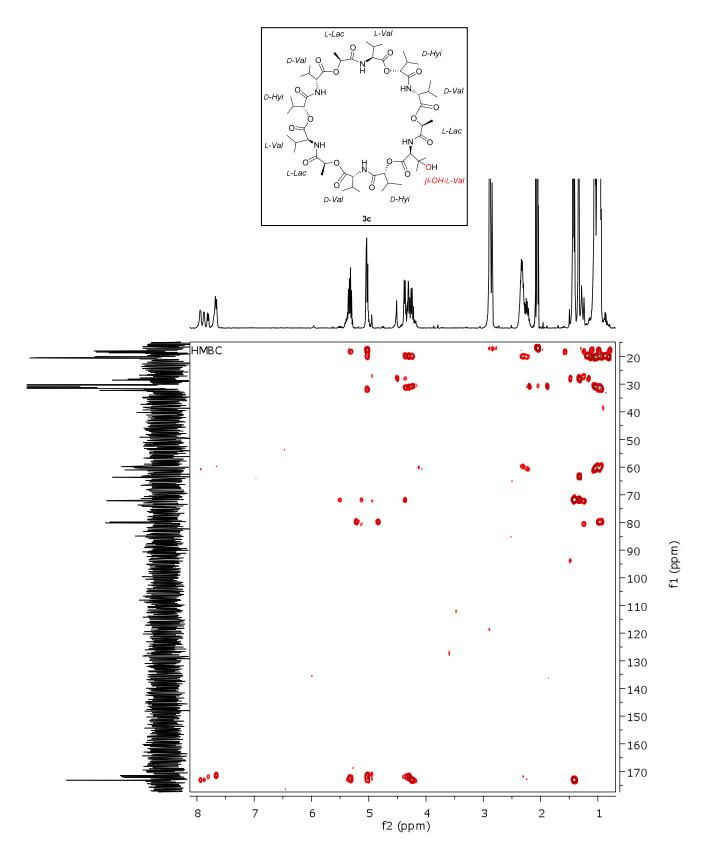


Figure S21. <sup>13</sup>C DEPT-135 NMR spectrum of compound 3c (acetone- $d_6$ , 100 MHz).



**Figure S22.** HMQC NMR spectrum of compound **3c** (acetone- $d_6$ , 400 MHz).



**Figure S23.** HMBC NMR spectrum of compound **3c** (acetone- $d_6$ , 400 MHz).

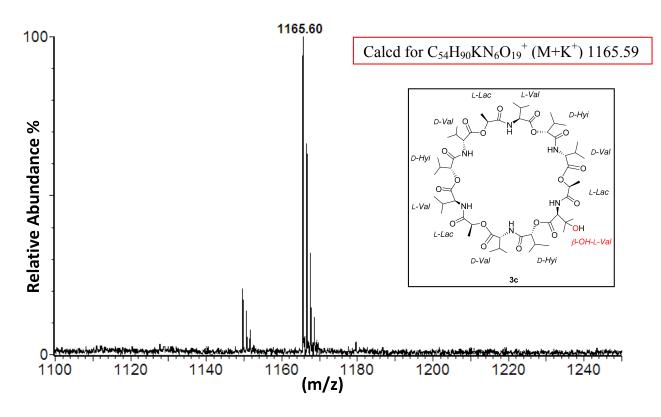


Figure S24. MALDI-ToF mass spectrum of compound 3c in the presence of KCl.