Rapid Synthesis of Cyclic Oligomeric Depsipeptides with Positional, Stereochemical, and Macrocycle Size Distribution Control

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Johnston et al. Supplementary Experimental Results

Details on MCO reaction profile from monomer 5:

The total isolated yield of macrocycles from the inaugural reaction (without salt additive) was 64% (18, 24, 30, and 36 ring atoms). The sizes of macrocycles reported in the main text are the only sizes that were isolated from the reaction (with or without salt additives). No other ring-sizes, such as 6- or 12- membered rings were detected by liquid chromatography/mass spectrometry (LCMS) analysis.

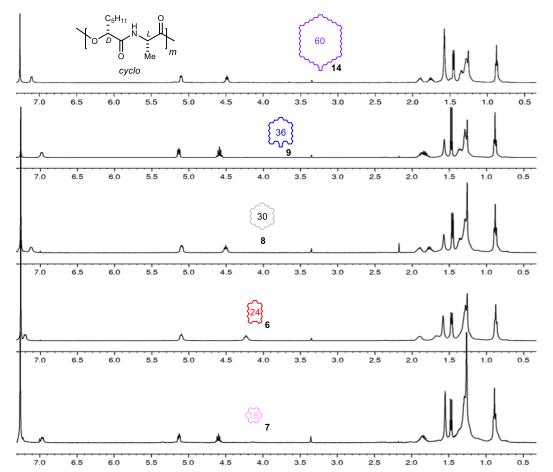
Details on MCO reaction profile from monomer 13:

- The sizes of macrocycles reported in the main text are the only sizes that were isolated from the reaction (24, 36, and 60 ring atoms). Neither monocyclized (12-membered ring; m = 2) nor 48-membered rings (m = 8) were observed in conditions with or without salt additives.
- 12-membered ring formation without a Thorpe-Ingold-inducing functionality is known to be difficult, which may explain why this size was not observed.
- The 48-membered ring was not observed. The linear chain may reside in a conformation that is more favorable to couple in a linear fashion rather than cyclize. Linear acylated-DIAD by-products that correspond to a 48-membered chain have been observed in small amounts by LCMS.

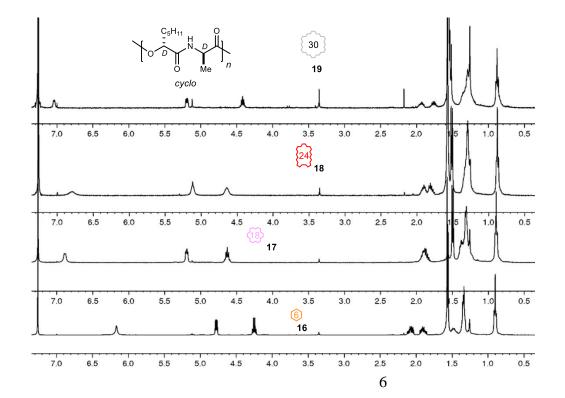
Further examination of salt effects in MCO with monomer 20:

- Using 5 equiv of salt additive is key to achieving optimal yield in this MCO. Much less than 5 equiv did not have an effect, and much greater than 5 equiv seemed to inhibit the reaction.
- To test if these observations were due to a salt concentration effect, the reaction was run at twice the optimal concentration (10 mM) with 2.5 equiv salt additive. These conditions *did not* afford product even though they had the same overall salt concentration as optimal conditions (5 equiv salt at 5 mM, 31% yield).
- However, 5 equiv salt at twice the optimal concentration (10 mM) did afford product in 24% yield.

Stacked NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of D,L-Macrocycles 6,7,8,9,14



Stacked NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of D,D-macrocycles 16,17,18,19



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Glassware was flame-dried under vacuum for all non-aqueous reactions. All reagents and solvents were commercial grade and purified prior to use when necessary. Benzene and dichloromethane (CH₂Cl₂) were dried by passage through a column of activated alumina as described by Grubbs.¹ Blay^{2,3} and IndaBOX^{4 5}ligands were prepared according to literature procedures. Bromonitromethane (90% technical grade) was used as received. NIS was recrystallized from dioxane/CCl₄. Flash column chromatography were performed using Sorbent Technologies 230-400 mesh silica gel with solvent systems indicated. Analytical thin layer column chromatography was performed using Sorbent Technologies 250 µm glass-backed UV254 silica gel plates, and were visualized by fluorescence upon 250 nm radiation and/or the by use of ceric ammonium molybdate (CAM), phosphomolybdic acid (PMA), or potassium permanganate (KMnO₄). Solvent removal was effected by rotary evaporation under vacuum (~ 25-40 mm Hg). All extracts were dried with MgSO₄ unless otherwise noted.

Preparative HPLC was performed on an Agilent 1260 system (column: Zorbax Eclipse XDB-C18; 21.2 mm x 150 mm, 5 µm, flow rate 8 mL/min) with 210 nm monitoring wavelength and acetonitrile/water (+0.1% TFA) gradient as indicated.

Nuclear magnetic resonance spectra (NMR) were acquired on a Bruker AV-400 (400 MHz), Bruker DRX-500 (500 MHz), or Bruker AV II-600 (600 MHz) instrument. Chemical shifts are measured relative to residual solvent peaks as an internal standard set to δ 7.26 and δ 77.0 (CDCl₃), and δ 2.50 and δ 39.5 (DMSO-*d*₆), unless otherwise specified. Ratios of diastereomers and isomeric products were measured directly from integration of ¹H NMR absorptions of protons common to the components. Reported chemical shifts and integrations for amides resulting from Umpolung Amide Synthesis (UmAS) correspond to only the major diastereomer. Mass spectra were recorded on a Thermo Electron Corporation MAT 95XP-Trap mass spectrometer by use of the ionization method noted by the Indiana University Mass Spectrometry Facility. IR spectra were recorded on a Nicolet Avatar 360 spectrophotometer and are reported in wavenumbers (cm⁻¹) as neat films on a NaCl plate (transmission). Melting points were measured on a Meltemp melting point apparatus and are not corrected. Optical rotations were measured on a Perkin Elmer-341 polarimeter.

General Procedures

Umpolung Amide Synthesis (UmAS): A round-bottom flask was charged with bromonitroalkane (1 equiv, 0.2 M), amine (1.2 equiv), 2-Me-THF, and H₂O (5 equiv). The mixture was cooled to 0 °C and treated with NIS (1 equiv) followed by K_2CO_3 (2 equiv) and an O₂ balloon. The heterogeneous solution was stirred for 2 days at 0 °C, and then treated at 0 °C with 1 N HCl and poured into CH₂Cl₂. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂, and the combined organic layers were washed with satd aq Na₂S₂O₃, dried, and concentrated. The crude residue was subjected to flash column chromatography to afford the amide.

Supporting Information Appendix

One-Pot UmAS: A round-bottom flask was charged with nitroalkane (1 equiv, 0.2 M), amine (2.0 equiv), DME, and H₂O (5 equiv). The mixture was then treated with DBTCE (1.2 equiv) followed by NaI (0.1 equiv), K₂CO₃ (2 equiv) and an O₂ balloon. The heterogeneous solution was vigorously stirred for 1-2 days at ambient temperature, and then treated at 0 °C with 1 N HCl and poured into CH₂Cl₂. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂, and the combined organic layers were washed with satd aq Na₂S₂O₃, dried, and concentrated. The crude residue was subjected to flash column chromatography to afford the amide.

Global Deprotection: A flame-dried round-bottomed flask under inert atmosphere was charged with AlCl₃ (10 equiv), and toluene (0.05 M relative to amide) at 0 °C. Then MOM and benzyl-protected depsipeptide (1.0 equiv) were dissolved in a small amount of toluene and added dropwise to the stirring solution. The reaction was allowed to slowly warm to ambient temperature and stir until starting material was no longer present by TLC. The mixture was then cooled to 0 °C and quenched with satd aq Rochelle's salt. The heterogeneous solution was stirred at ambient temperature until two distinct layers were apparent, and then diluted with EtOAc and water. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc, and the combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried, and concentrated to a residue that was subjected to preparative HPLC. Preparative HPLC was performed on an Agilent 1260 system (column: Zorbax Eclipse XDB-C18; 21.2 mm x 150 mm, 5 μ m, flow rate 8 mL/min) with 210 nm monitoring wavelength and gradient of 5 to 95% acetonitrile in water (+0.1% TFA) over 30 min. The desired fractions were then diluted with EtOAc, washed with water (three times), followed by brine, and then dried and concentrated.⁶

Didepsipeptide MCO: A flame-dried round-bottomed flask under inert atmosphere was charged with a salt additive (2.5 equiv), *seco*-acid (1 equiv), PPh₃ (6 equiv), and benzene to bring the final concentration of *seco*-acid to 0.02 M. DIAD (5.0 equiv) was then added to the stirred solution in 15 aliquots over 120 minutes. The reaction was allowed to stir at ambient temperature for 24 h, and then concentrated to afford a residue that was subjected to the MCO Purification Protocol.

Methoxymethylene ether (MOM) Deprotection: A flame-dried round-bottom flask under argon atmosphere was charged with MOM-protected amide (1 equiv, 0.05 M) in CH_2Cl_2 . Thiophenol (5 equiv) was added to the solution, followed by Et_2O •BF₃ (5 equiv). The reaction was allowed to stir for 1 h at room temperature and then poured into CH_2Cl_2 . The organic solution was washed twice with satd aq NaHCO₃, followed by brine, and then dried and concentrated. The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography to furnish the alcohol.

Benzyl Deprotection: A round-bottom flask was charged with benzyl ester (1 equiv, 0.1 M) in MeOH. 10% Pd/C (1 mass equiv) was added to the stirring solution and a light vacuum (60 Torr) was applied, followed by backflush

using a hydrogen balloon. The reaction was allowed to stir for 1 h and then filtered through Celite and concentrated to furnish the carboxylic acid.

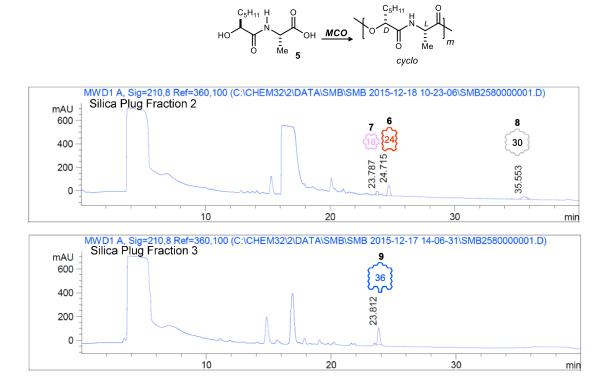
Mitsunobu: A flame-dried round-bottom flask under inert atmosphere was charged with PPh₃ (2 equiv), DIAD (2 equiv), and benzene, and was stirred at ambient temperature for 30 m. The alcohol (1 equiv, 0.05 M) was added to the solution, followed by the carboxylic acid (1.1 equiv). The reaction was stirred for 24 h, and then concentrated to afford a residue that was subjected to flash column chromatography.

Tetradepsipeptide MCO: A flame-dried round-bottomed flask under inert atmosphere was charged with a salt additive (5 equiv), *seco*-acid (1 equiv in CH₂Cl₂, 0.38 M), PPh₃ (3 equiv), and benzene to bring the final concentration of *seco*-acid to 0.005 M. DIAD (2.5 equiv) was then added to the stirred solution in 5 aliquots over 40 minutes. The reaction was allowed to stir at ambient temperature for 24 h, and then concentrated to afford a residue that was subjected to the MCO purification protocol.

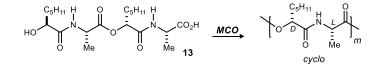
General MCO Purification Information

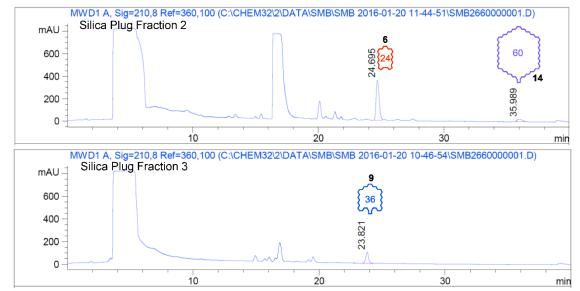
MCO Purification Protocol: The crude residue was filtered through a plug (1.9 cm x 8.2 cm) of silica gel to remove excess Mitsunobu reagents, and to roughly separate macrocyclic products into two fractions prior to separation using preparatory HPLC. [Some macrocycles exhibited similar R_f by prep-HPLC, but very different R_f when using normal phase silica gel; see figures below.] A stepwise MeOH/DCM gradient allowed the crude mixture to be separated into three fractions (Fraction 1: 0.5-1% MeOH/DCM; Fraction 2: 2-3% MeOH/DCM; Fraction 3: 20% MeOH DCM) prior to prep HPLC purification. The contents of Fraction 1 (Mitsunobu reagent byproducts only) were discarded, and Fractions 2 & 3 were dissolved (separately) in DMSO and subjected to prep HPLC purification. Preparative HPLC was performed on an Agilent 1260 system (column: Zorbax Eclipse XDB-C18; 21.2 mm x 150 mm, 5 μ m, flow rate 8 mL/min) with 210 nm monitoring wavelength and gradient of 5 to 95% acetonitrile in water (+0.1% TFA) over 40 min. Fractions containing macrocyclic products were then diluted with EtOAc and washed twice with satd aq NaHCO₃, followed by brine, and then dried and concentrated.⁶

Sample prep HPLC traces from MCO of didepsipeptide 5:

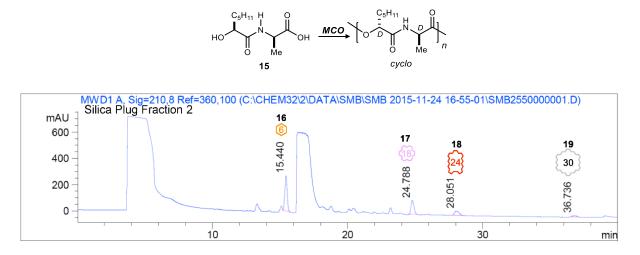


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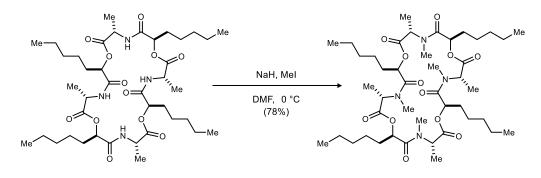




Sample prep HPLC traces from MCO of didepsipeptide 15:



Experimental and Characterization Data for Reported Compounds



(–)-Verticilide (*nat*-1). A flame-dried round-bottom flask was charged with *N*-H depsipeptide **6** (20.0 mg, 25.1 µmol) and dry DMF (500 µL) at 0 °C. Methyl iodide (62.5 µL, 1.00 mmol) was then added to the reaction mixture, and NaH (6.0 mg, 251 µmol in DMF (250 µL)) was added slowly to the reaction mixture in 50 µL aliquots over 15 minutes. The reaction was allowed to stir at 0 °C for 25 m, and it was then quenched by the dropwise addition of satd aq NH₄Cl. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc, and the combined organic layers were washed with satd aq NaHCO₃, satd aq Na₂S₂O₃, water and brine, and then dried and concentrated to afford a residue that was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 1-5% methanol in dichloromethane) to afford (-)-verticilide (16.7 mg, 78%) as a colorless oil. $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -47 (*c* 0.21, MeOH)⁷; R_f = 0.21 (5% MeOH/DCM); IR (film) 2955, 2920, 2851, 1746, 1667, 1539, 1466, 1378, 1199, 1019 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₄₄H₇₆N₄NaO₁₂ [M+Na]⁺ 875.5357, found 875.5341.

(+)-Verticilide (*ent*-1) was prepared following an identical procedure. Preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, $R_t = 25.2$ m) afforded (+)-verticilide with spectroscopic data identical to its enantiomer, except $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +48 (*c* 0.16, MeOH).

Johnston et al. Supporting Information Appendix Comparison of prepared (-)-verticilide and literature values: ⁷									
1 H δ Literature	Mult, J values	¹ H δ Synthesis	Mult, J values						
0.88	m	0.82-0.89	br m				-		
1.30	m	1.06-1.31		¹³ C Literature values	¹³ C Synthesis values	Difference	¹³ C Literature values	¹³ C Synthesis values	Difference
1.31	m	1.06-1.31	br m	13.88 (3C)	13.89	0.01	31.2	31.16	0.04
1.38	d, J = 7.2 Hz	1.38	d, J = 7.2 Hz	13.9	13.95	0.05	31.36 (2C)	31.32	0.04
1.39	d, J = 7.4 Hz	1.39	d <i>, J</i> = 7.5 Hz	13.93	14	0.07	31.4 (3C)	31.39	0.01
1.41	d, J = 7.4 Hz	1.41	d, J = 7.3 Hz	14	14.1	0.1	31.5	31.46	0.04
1.45	d, J = 7.3 Hz	1.45	d, J = 7.4 Hz	14.2	14.2	0	51.5	51.47	0.03
1.59	d, J = 7.3 Hz	1.59	d, J = 7.0 Hz	14.8	14.8	0	51.76	51.63	0.13
1.78	m	1.73-1.90	br m	15	15	0	51.85	51.72	0.13
2.89	S	2.89	S	15.9	15.88	0.02	51.94	51.87	0.07
2.91	S	2.91	S	22.39 (3C)	22.39	0	54.4	54.4	0
2.96	S	2.96	S	22.42 (2C)	22.42	0	70.7	70.65	0.05
3.01	S	3.01	S	24.76 (2C)	24.74	0.02	70.8	70.72	0.08
3.18	S	3.18	S	24.82	24.82	0	71	70.91	0.09
4.56	q, J = 7.3 Hz	4.56	q, J = 7.3 Hz	24.83	24.96	0.13	71.3	71.22	0.08

25.07

29.45

30.65

30.71

30.83

30.87

30.93

30.97

31.09

0.03

0.05

0.01

0.02

0.09

0.1

0.05

0.03

0.01

71.6

169.2

169.3

169.8

169.9 (2C)

170

170.8 (2C)

171

171.2

25.1

29.4

30.66

30.73

30.92

30.97

30.98

31

31.1

Jo $C \epsilon$

dd, J = 11.0, 2.4 Hz

q, J = 7.3 Hz

dd, J = 9.9, 3.3 Hz

dd, J = 8.5, 5.0 Hz

q, J = 7.2 Hz

m (overlapping)

dd, J = 8.4, 5.4 Hz

q, J = 7.3 Hz

q, J = 7.5 Hz

5.11

5.3

5.32

5.36

5.4 5.42

5.45

5.53

5.54

5.11

5.30

5.32

5.36

5.40

5.42

5.45

5.53

5.54

dd, J = 10.6, 2.5 Hz

 $q_{J} = 7.4 \, Hz$

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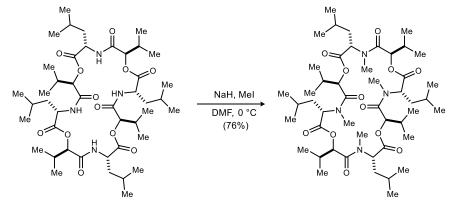
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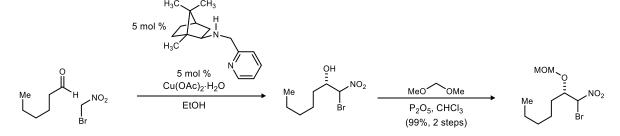
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(-)-Bassianolide (nat-2). A flame-dried vial was charged with the N-H depsipeptide (7.0 mg, 8.2 µmol) and dry DMF (164 µL) at 0 °C. Methyl iodide (20.4 µL, 328 µmol) was added to the reaction mixture, and NaH (2.0 mg, 82 µmol in DMF (82 µL)) was then added dropwise. The reaction was allowed to stir at 0 °C for 25 m, and it was then guenched by the dropwise addition of satd ag NH₄Cl. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc, and the combined organic layers were washed with satd aq NaHCO₃, satd aq Na₂S₂O₃, water and brine, and then dried and concentrated to afford a residue that was subjected to preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, $R_t = 25.0$ min) to afford (-)-bassianolide (5.7 mg, 76%) as an amorphous solid. $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -60 (c 0.11, CHCl₃); R_f = 0.23 (10% acetone/CHCl₃); IR (film) 2957, 2922, 2852, 1738, 1669, 1460, 1375, 1261, 1203, 1091, 1019 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₄₈H₈₄N₄NaO₁₂ [M+Na]⁺ 931.5983, found 931.5953.

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Comparison of prepared (-)-bassianolide and literature values:	9

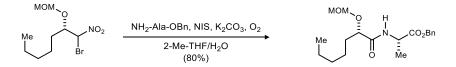
				¹³ C Literature values	¹³ C Synthesis values	Difference	¹³ C Literature values	¹³ C Synthesis values	Difference
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0.52	d, J = 7.0 Hz	0.55	d, J = 6.8 Hz	15.7	15.7	0	30.7	30.8	0.1
				17.8	17.9	0.1	30.9	30.9	0
0.63	d, J = 7.0 Hz	0.67	d, J = 7.6 Hz	18.1	18	0.1	31	31.2	0.2
0.83-1.00	m	0.84-1.04	m	18.2	18.2	0	31.6	31.6	0
1.28	m			18.4	18.4	0	36.7	36.74	0.04
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1.51	m			18.6	18.6	0	37.6	37.6	0
1.58	m	1.58	m	18.7	18.7	0	37.9	37.9	0
1.68-1.85	m	1.68-1.88	m	20.2	20.1	0.1	38.5	38.5	0
2.07		1.00 1.00		20.6	20.6	0	53.3	53.2	0.1
	m	2.00-2.25	br m	20.8	20.7	0.1	54.2	54.2	0
2.15-2.22	m			20.8	20.8	0	54.3	54.23	0.07
2.82	S	2.89	S	21	21	0	57.5	57.5	0
2.85	S	3.01	S	21.3	21.2	0.1	74.2	74.2	0
2.98	S	3.04	S	23.4	23.3	0.1	74.3	74.3	0
3.01	S	3.1	S	23.5	23.4	0.1	75.2	75.2	0
3.22	S	3.25	S	23.5	23.5	0	76.8	76.8	0
4.39	dd, J = 11.6, 4.0 Hz	4.43	dd, J = 10.6, 4.4 Hz	23.6	23.6	0	168.7	168.6	0.1
		_		23.7	23.7	0	169.1	169.1	0
4.96	d, J = 2.3 Hz	4.99	d, J = 2.8 Hz	24.7	24.7	0	169.4	169.4	0
5.15	d <i>, J</i> = 7.7 Hz	5.16	br m	24.9	24.8	0.1	170.2	170.2	0
5.25	d, J = 6.9 Hz	5.28	d, J = 6.8 Hz	24.9	24.9	0	170.3	170.24	0.06
5.41	d <i>, J</i> = 7.9 Hz	5.45	d, J = 8.0 Hz	25.2	25.2	0	170.5	170.5	0
5.41	dd, J = 12.1, 4.2 Hz	5.45	dd, J = 11.8, 4.3 Hz	25.4	25.4	0	170.8	170.8	0
5.48	d, J = 2.2 Hz	5.5	d, J = 2.0 Hz	28.2	28.2	0	171	171	0
5.59	dd, J = 12.2, 4.6 Hz	5.62	dd, J = 12.3, 4.4 Hz	29.6	29.55	0.05	171.4	171.3	0.1
	dd, $J = 12.2, 4.0$ Hz dd, $J = 12.2, 4.3$ Hz	5.65	dd, J = 12.3, 4.4 Hz	29.7	29.58	0.12	171.5	171.5	0
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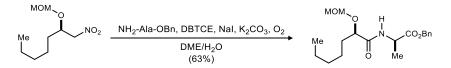
(2*S*)-1-Bromo-2-(methoxymethoxy)-1-nitroheptane (3). Following the Blay³ enantioselective Henry procedure, Blay ligand (79.5 mg, 326 μ mol) and Cu(OAc)₂•H₂O (65.0 mg, 326 μ mol) stirred at ambient temperature in EtOH (26 mL) for 1 h. The royal blue solution was then cooled to -20 °C and hexanal (800 μ L, 6.51 mmol) was added and allowed to stir for 10 m before bromonitromethane (4.54 mL, 65.1 mmol) addition. After stirring for 5 days at -20 °C, the reaction was quenched dropwise at -20 °C with pre-chilled 1 N HCl and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. Following drying and concentration under reduced pressure, the crude alcohol was dissolved in CHCl₃ (33 mL), treated with P₂O₅ (9.24 g, 65.1 mmol) and dimethoxymethane (11.5 mL, 76.1 mmol), and stirred at ambient temperature overnight. The reaction was cooled to 0 °C, quenched slowly with satd aq NaHCO₃, and then poured into CH₂Cl₂. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The organic layers were dried and concentrated to an oil that was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 0.5-5% diethyl ether in hexanes) to afford the title compound in 2:1 d.r. as a pale yellow oil (1.84 g, 99%, 2 steps).

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The diastereomers were determined to be 84% ee by chiral HPLC analysis (Chiralcel OZ-H, 2% ^{*i*}PrOH /hexanes, 0.4 mL/min, $t_r(d_1e_1, \text{minor}) = 11.3 \text{ min}$, $t_r(d_1e_2, \text{major}) = 12.3 \text{ min}$, $t_r(d_2e_1, \text{minor}) = 13.2 \text{ min}$, $t_r(d_2e_2, \text{major}) = 13.8 \text{ min}$). $R_f = 0.52$ (10% EtOAc/hexanes); IR (film) 2956, 2929, 2863, 1575, 1462, 1328, 1156, 1104, 1010, 923 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.12 (d, J = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 5.92 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (ddd, J = 8.2, 5.6, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (ddd, J = 7.6, 5.4, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (s, 3H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 1.82-1.66 (series of m, 4H), 1.48-1.26 (series of m, 12H), 0.91-0.88 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 97.3, 97.0, 84.0, 80.8, 79.3, 79.2, 56.4 (2C), 31.6, 31.43, 31.39, 30.2, 24.8, 23.1, 22.4 (2C), 13.92, 13.91; HRMS (CI): Exact mass calcd for C₉H₁₇BrNO₄ [M-H]⁺ 282.0335, found 282.0331.

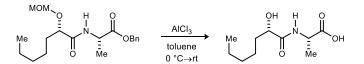


Benzyl ((*S*)-2-(methoxymethoxy)heptanoyl)-*L*-alaninate (4). Following the UmAS general procedure, bromonitroalkane (1400 mg, 4.927 mmol) and amine (1060 mg, 5.912 mmol) afforded a mahogany colored oil. The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 10-20% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the major diastereomer as a waxy yellow solid (1380 mg, 80%). Mp = 44-47 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -71 (*c* 0.13, CHCl₃); R_f = 0.41 (30% EtOAc/hexanes); IR (film) 3263, 2953, 1741, 1652, 1533, 1458, 1220, 1156, 1126, 1099, 1067, 1018, 753, 700 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39-7.32 (m, 5H), 7.08 (br d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H), 5.15 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (dq, *J* = 7.3, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 4.07 (dd, *J* = 6.2, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (s, 3H), 1.80-1.70 (m, 2H), 1.43 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.41-1.26 (br m, 6H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 172.7, 172.1, 135.3, 128.6, 128.5, 128.2, 96.1, 77.4, 67.2, 56.2, 47.5, 32.8, 31.6, 24.3, 22.5, 18.6, 14.0; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₁₉H₂₉NNaO₅ [M+Na]⁺ 374.1943, found 374.1936.

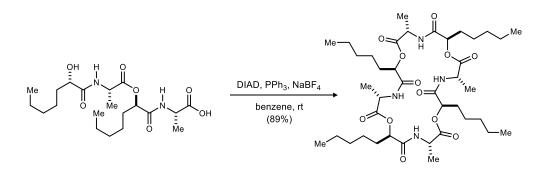


Benzyl ((*R*)-2-(methoxymethoxy)heptanoyl)-*D*-alaninate (*ent*-4). Following the One-Pot UmAS general procedure, nitroalkane (940 mg, 4.58 mmol) and amine (1.64 g, 9.16 mmol) afforded an orange oil. The residue was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 10-30% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to afford the major

diastereomer as a waxy yellow solid (1.02 g, 63%), with spectroscopic data identical to its enantiomer, except $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +70 (*c* 0.12, CHCl₃).



((*S*)-2-Hydroxyheptanoyl)-*L*-alanine (5). Following the Global Deprotection general procedure, the amide (215 mg, 699 µmol) stirred at ambient temperature for 25 m to afford a yellow residue. Preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, $R_t = 12.2$ m) provided the *seco*-acid (114 mg, 75%) as a tan crystalline solid. Mp = 70-72 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -14 (*c* 0.17, CHCl₃); $R_f = 0.28$ (20% MeOH/DCM); IR (film) 3386, 2925, 2855, 1729, 1649, 1535, 1459, 1378, 1300, 1220, 1154 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 7.76 (br d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 5.45 (br s, 1H), 4.21 (br dq, *J* = 7.2, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.65-1.57 (m, 1H), 1.49-1.40 (m, 1H), 1.36-1.30 (m, 2H), 1.28 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.19 (br m, 4H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), COO*H* not observed; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 173.9, 173.5, 70.7, 47.1, 34.2, 31.1, 24.1, 22.0, 17.6, 13.9; HRMS (CI): Exact mass calcd for C₁₀H₁₈NO₃ [M-OH] 200.1281, found 200.1282.



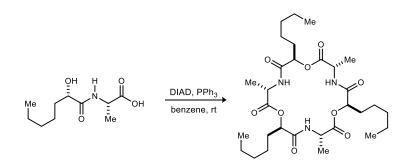
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4,10,16,22-tetraazacyclotetracosan-2,5,8,11,14,17,20,23-octaone (6). Following the Tetradepsipeptide MCO general procedure, the *seco*-acid (20.0 mg, 48.0 µmol) with NaBF₄ (26.4 mg, 240 µmol) were stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h to afford a pale yellow oil. Preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, $R_t = 24.8$ m) provided the 24-membered macrocycle (17.0 mg, 89%) as a white solid. Mp = 205-207 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -6.3 (*c* 0.13, CHCl₃); $R_f = 0.21$ (50% EtOAc/Hexanes); IR (film) 3275, 2956, 2929, 2860, 1746, 1657, 1458, 1377, 1247, 1159, 1065 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.21 (br d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (dq, *J* = 7.2, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.91-1.86 (m, 1H), 1.70-1.60 (m, 1H) 1.46 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.36-1.25 (br m, 6H), 0.89-0.85 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 170.94, 170.87, 74.2, 48.5, 31.34, 31.27, 24.8, 22.4, 15.9, 13.8; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₄₀H₆₉N₄O₁₂ [M+H]⁺ 797.4912, found 797.4877.

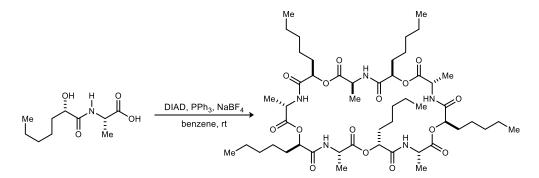
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(3*R*,6*S*,9*R*,12*S*,15*R*,18*S*,21*R*,24*S*)-3,9,15,21-Tetramethyl-6,12,18,24-tetrapentyl-1,7,13,19-tetraoxa-4,10,16,22-tetraazacyclotetracosan-2,5,8,11,14,17,20,23-octaone (*ent*-6) was prepared following an identical procedure from *ent*-13. Preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, $R_t = 24.8$ m) provided the 24-membered macrocycle with spectroscopic data identical to its enantiomer, except $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +6.4 (*c* 0.25, CHCl₃).

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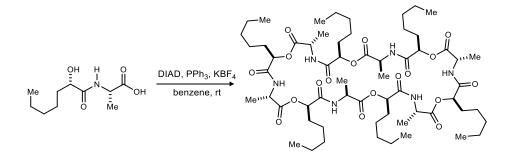
(3*S*,6*R*,9*S*,12*R*,15*S*,18*R*)-3,9,15-Trimethyl-6,12,18-tripentyl-1,7,13-trioxa-4,10,16-triazacyclooctadecane-2,5,8,11,14,17-hexaone (7). Following the Didepsipeptide MCO general procedure, the *seco*-acid (15.0 mg, 69.0 µmol) without a salt additive was stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h to afford a pale yellow oil. Preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, $R_t = 23.8$ m) provided the 18-membered macrocycle (1.2 mg, 9%) as a colorless oil. $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -23 (*c* 0.10, CHCl₃); $R_f = 0.27$ (4% MeOH/DCM); IR (film) 3209, 2922, 2853, 1756, 1696, 1556, 1457, 1380, 1260, 1211, 1171, 1106 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.96 (br d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (dq, *J* = 7.4, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.91-1.77 (m, 2H), 1.47 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.37-1.29 (br m, 6H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 171.5, 169.5, 74.9, 48.5, 31.4, 31.3, 24.5, 22.4, 17.4, 14.0; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₃₀H₅₁N₃NaO₉ [M+Na]⁺ 620.3523, found 620.3516.



(3S,6R,9S,12R,15S,18R,21S,24R,27S,30R)-3,9,15,21,27-Pentamethyl-6,12,18,24,30-pentapentyl-1,7,13,19,25-pentaoxa-4,10,16,22,28-pentaazacyclotriacontane-2,5,8,11,14,17,20,23,26,29-decaone (8). Following the Didepsipeptide MCO general procedure, the*seco*-acid (15.0 mg, 69.0 µmol) with NaBF₄ (19.0 mg, 173 µmol) were stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h to afford a pale yellow oil. Preparative HPLC (5-95%)

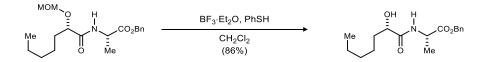
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aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, $R_t = 35.5$ m) provided the 30-membered macrocycle (2.60 mg, 19%) as a colorless oil. $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +3.3 (*c* 0.30, CHCl₃); $R_f = 0.25$ (3% MeOH/DCM); IR (film) 3315, 2957, 2924, 2854, 1747, 1664, 1547, 1458, 1380, 1261, 1200, 1117 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.12 (br d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (dq, *J* = 7.2, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.91-1.86 (m, 1H), 1.80-1.71 (m, 1H), 1.45 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.39-1.28 (br m, 6H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 172.1, 170.2, 74.3, 48.5, 31.4, 31.3, 24.6, 22.4, 17.0, 13.9; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₅₀H₈₅N₅NaO₁₅ [M+Na]⁺ 1018.5940, found 1018.5908.



(3*S*,6*R*,9*S*,12*R*,15*S*,18*R*,21*S*,24*R*,27*S*,30*R*,33*S*,36*R*)-3,9,15,21,27,33-Hexamethyl-6,12,18,24,30,36-hexapentyl-1,7,13,19,25,31-hexaoxa-4,10,16,22,28,34-hexaazacyclohexatriacontan-

2,5,8,11,14,17,20,23,26,29,32,35-dodecaone (**9**). Following the Didepsipeptide MCO general procedure, the *seco*-acid (15.0 mg, 69.0 µmol) with KBF₄ (21.8 mg, 173 µmol) were stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h to afford a pale yellow oil. Preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, $R_t = 23.8$ m) provided the 36-membered macrocycle (6.0 mg, 44%) as an opaque film. [α]_D²⁰ -12 (*c* 0.10, CHCl₃); $R_f = 0.10$ (4% MeOH/DCM); IR (film) 3286, 2955, 2925, 2856, 1748, 1656, 1542, 1454, 1376, 1260, 1189, 1158, 1115, 1062, 1018 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.95 (br d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (dq, *J* = 7.3, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 1.92-1.76 (m, 2H), 1.47 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.40-1.25 (br m, 6H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 171.4, 169.4, 74.8, 48.4, 31.3, 31.2, 24.4, 22.4, 17.3, 13.9; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₆₀H₁₀₁N₆Na₂O₁₈ [M-H+2Na]⁺ 1239.6968, found 1239.6981.

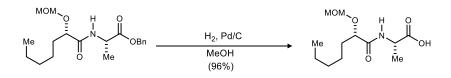


Benzyl ((*S*)-2-hydroxyheptanoyl)-*L*-alaninate (10). Following the general MOM deprotection procedure, the amide (434 mg, 1.23 mmol) afforded a crude pale yellow oil. Flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 20-40% ethyl

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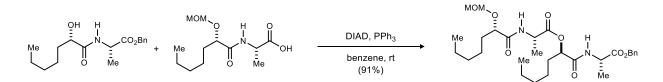
acetate in hexanes) afforded the alcohol (325 mg, 86%) as a pale yellow oil. $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -23 (*c* 0.43, CHCl₃); R_f = 0.25 (30% EtOAc/hexanes); IR (film) 3393, 3034, 2955, 2929, 2859, 1743, 1655, 1524, 1455, 1386, 1307, 1200, 1155, 1083, 1058 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39-7.32 (m, 5H), 6.94 (br d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (d, *J* = 12.3 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, *J* = 12.3 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (dq, *J* = 7.2, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.13 (ddd, *J* = 8.3, 4.7, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.56 (br d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 1.86-1.77 (m, 1H), 1.67-1.57 (m, 1H), 1.44 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.40-1.25 (br m, 6H), 0.89 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 173.4, 172.8, 135.3, 128.6, 128.5, 128.1, 72.1, 67.2, 47.8, 34.8, 31.5, 24.5, 22.5, 18.4, 14.0; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₁₇H₂₅NNaO₄ [M+Na]⁺ 330.1681, found 330.1667.

Benzyl ((*R*)-2-hydroxyheptanoyl)-*D*-alaninate (*ent*-10) was prepared following an identical procedure from *ent*-4. Flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 20-40% ethyl acetate in hexanes) afforded the alcohol with spectroscopic data identical to its enantiomer, except $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +31 (*c* 0.72, CHCl₃).



((*S*)-2-(Methoxymethoxy)heptanoyl)-*L*-alanine (11). Following the general benzyl-deprotection procedure, the amide (492 mg, 1.40 mmol) afforded the acid (351 mg, 96%) as an analytically pure orange oil. $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -39 (*c* 0.26, CHCl₃); R_f = 0.28 (20% MeOH/DCM); IR (film) 3407, 2955, 2932, 2860, 1733, 1657, 1531, 1457, 1216, 1155, 1101, 1037 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.04 (br d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (s, 2H), 4.60 (dq, *J* = 7.2, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (dd, *J* = 6.2, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (s, 3H), 1.80-1.70 (m, 2H), 1.48 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.42-1.26 (br m, 6H) 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), COO*H* not observed; ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 175.5, 173.2, 96.3, 77.5, 56.2, 47.8, 32.7, 31.5, 24.3, 22.5, 17.9, 14.0; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₁₂H₂₃NNaO₅ [M+Na]⁺ 284.1474, found 284.1478.

((*R*)-2-(Methoxymethoxy)heptanoyl)-*D*-alanine (*ent*-11) was prepared following an identical procedure from *ent*-4, affording the acid with spectroscopic data identical to its enantiomer, except $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +41 (*c* 0.20, CHCl₃).



Benzyl ((*R*)-2-((((*S*)-2-(methoxymethoxy)heptanoyl)-*L*-alanyl)oxy)heptanoyl)-*L*-alaninate (12). Following the Mitsunobu general procedure, alcohol (340 mg, 1.11 mmol) and acid (310 mg, 1.19 mmol) were reacted at

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ambient temperature for 24 h to afford a crude brown oil. Flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 15-35% ethyl acetate in hexanes) provided the tetradepsipeptide (550 mg, 91%) as a white solid. Mp = 114 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ -17 (*c* 0.27, CHCl₃); R_f = 0.22 (30% EtOAc/hexanes); IR (film) 3310, 2955, 2930, 2859, 1747, 1657, 1535, 1456, 1378, 1344, 1201, 1156, 1104, 1059, 1032 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38-7.30 (m, 5H), 7.10 (br d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (br d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H), 4.68 (s, 2H), 4.59 (dq, *J* = 7.3, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (dq, *J* = 7.0, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (dd, *J* = 6.3, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (s, 3H), 1.93-1.68 (series of m, 4H), 1.47 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.43 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz 3H), 1.38-1.26 (br m, 12H), 0.89-0.85 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 173.0, 172.4, 172.2, 169.3, 135.6, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1, 96.3, 77.5, 74.7, 66.9, 56.3, 48.4, 48.0, 32.6, 31.6, 31.5, 31.2, 24.5, 24.3, 22.5, 22.4, 17.5, 17.3, 14.0, 13.9; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₂₉H₄₆N₂NaO₈ [M+Na]⁺ 573.3152, found 573.3126.

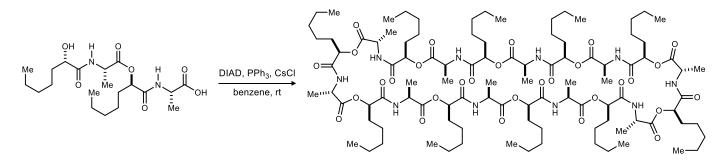
Benzyl ((*S*)-2-((((*R*)-2-(methoxymethoxy)heptanoyl)-*D*-alanyl)oxy)heptanoyl)-*D*-alaninate (*ent*-12) was prepared following an identical procedure, but using *ent*-10 and *ent*-11. Flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 15-35% ethyl acetate in hexanes) afforded the tetradepsipeptide with spectroscopic data identical to its enantiomer, except $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +12 (*c* 0.10, CHCl₃).

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((*R*)-2-((((*S*)-2-Hydroxyheptanoyl)-*L*-alanyl)oxy)heptanoyl)-*L*-alanine (13). A flame-dried round-bottomed flask under inert atmosphere was charged with AlCl₃ (169 mg, 1.27 mmol) and CH₂Cl₂ (1.3 mL) at 0 °C. The MOM and benzyl-protected depsipeptide (70.0 mg, 127 µmol) was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (500 µL) and added dropwise to the stirring solution. The reaction was allowed to slowly warm to ambient temperature and stir for 15 m, and then poured into ice water. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc, and the combined organic layers were washed with water and brine, dried, and concentrated to a yellow residue that was subjected to preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, R_t = 17.5 m) to afford the *seco*-acid (51.3 mg, 97%) as a colorless foam. [α]_D²⁰ +6 (*c* 0.10, CHCl₃); R_f = 0.16 (10% MeOH/DCM); IR (film) 3316, 2956, 2929, 2859, 1746, 1655, 1537, 1457, 1379, 1304, 1210, 1155, 1062 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41 (br d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (br s, 1H), 5.21 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.53 (dq, *J* = 7.2, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (br dq, *J* = 6.9, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 1.97-1.77 (series of m, 3H), 1.68-1.58 (m, 1H), 1.49 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.47 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H), 1.42-1.15 (br m, 12H), 0.91-0.86 (m, 6H), COOH and OH not observed; ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 174.3, 173.8, 173.2, 172.3, 74.6, 72.0, 48.47, 48.42, 34.4, 31.4 (2C), 31.2, 24.5, 24.4,

Johnston et al. 22.5, 22.4, 17.0 (2C), 13.97, 13.92; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₂₀H₃₆N₂NaO₇ [M+Na]⁺ 439.2420, found 439.2440.

((*S*)-2-((((*R*)-2-Hydroxyheptanoyl)-*D*-alanyl)oxy)heptanoyl)-*D*-alanine (*ent*-13) was prepared following an identical procedure, but from *ent*-12. Preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, $R_t = 17.5$ m) afforded the *seco*-acid with spectroscopic data identical to its enantiomer, except $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -7 (*c* 0.10, CHCl₃).

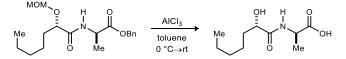


(3S,6R,9S,12R,15S,18R,21S,24R,27S,30R,33S,36R,39S,42R,45S,48R,51S,54R,57S,60R)-

3,9,15,21,27,33,39,45,51,57-Decamethyl-6,12,18,24,30,36,42,48,54,60-decapentyl-

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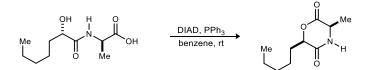
2,5,8,11,14,17,20,23,26,29,32,35,38,41,44,47,50,53,56,59-icosaone (14). Following the Tetradepsipeptide MCO general procedure, the *seco*-acid (18.0 mg, 43.0 µmol) with CsCl (36.2 mg, 215 µmol) was stirred for 24 h at ambient temperature to afford a pale yellow oil. Preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, R_t = 36.0 m) provided the 60-membered macrocycle (2.5 mg, 15%) as a colorless oil. $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +33 (*c* 0.11, CHCl₃); R_f = 0.27 (4% MeOH/DCM); IR (film) 3312, 2957, 2925, 2855, 1750, 1658, 1545, 1456, 1381, 1261, 1195, 1157, 1064, 1020, 803 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.09 (br d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (dq, *J* = 7.2, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.95-1.86 (m, 1H), 1.80-1.71 (m, 1H), 1.45 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.39-1.25 (br m, 6H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 171.9, 170.2, 74.2, 48.5, 31.3, 31.2, 24.5, 22.3, 16.9, 13.9; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₁₀₀H₁₇₀N₁₀NaO₃₀ [M+Na]⁺ 2015.2014, found 2015.2047.



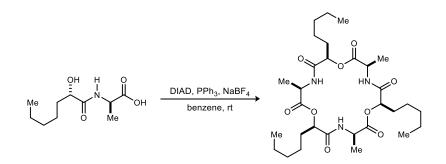
((*S*)-2-Hydroxyheptanoyl)-*D*-alanine (15). Following the global deprotection general procedure, the amide¹⁰ (202 mg, 575 µmol) was stirred at ambient temperature for 25 m to afford a yellow residue. Preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, $R_t = 12.7$ m) provided the *seco*-acid (93.7 mg, 75%) as a tan solid. Mp = 85-87 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -25 (*c* 0.40, CHCl₃); $R_f = 0.40$ (20% MeOH/DCM); IR (film) 3315, 2923,

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2854, 1732, 1626, 1537, 1457, 1292, 1258, 1210, 1158, 1128, 1080, 1020 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 7.75 (br d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (br s, 1H), 4.14 (br dq, *J* = 7.7, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.64-1.56 (m, 1H), 1.49-1.40 (m, 1H), 1.36-1.30 (m, 2H), 1.27 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.19 (br m, 4H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), COO*H* not observed; ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 173.9, 173.5, 70.8, 47.3, 34.2, 31.1, 24.1, 22.0, 17.7, 13.9; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₁₀H₁₈NO₄ [M-H]⁻ 216.1236, found 216.1246.



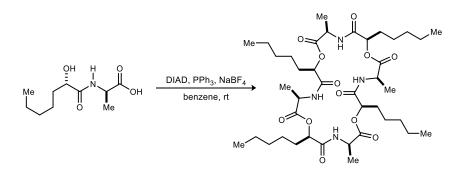
(*3R*,*6R*)-3-Methyl-6-pentylmorpholine-2,5-dione (16). Following the Didepsipeptide MCO general procedure, the *seco*-acid (20.0 mg, 92.0 μmol) without a salt additive was stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h to afford a pale yellow oil. Preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, $R_t = 15.5$ min) provided the 6-membered macrocycle (6.1 mg, 33%) as a viscous oil. $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +6.1 (*c* 0.28, CHCl₃); $R_f = 0.17$ (2% MeOH/DCM); IR (film) 3376, 2923, 2855, 1730, 1651, 1531, 1458, 1260, 1153, 1120 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.17 (br s, 1H), 4.78 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (q, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.12-2.03 (m, 1H), 1.94-1.85 (m, 1H), 1.49 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 1.61-1.53 (m, 1H), 1.50-1.43 (m, 1H), 1.37-1.32 (br m, 4H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 168.4, 168.1, 78.2, 49.3, 31.3, 30.3, 24.2, 22.3, 17.5, 13.9; HRMS (CI): Exact mass calcd for C₁₀H₁₈NNaO₃ [M+H]⁺ 200.1281, found 200.1279.



(*3R*,6*R*,9*R*,12*R*,15*R*,18*R*)-3,9,15-Trimethyl-6,12,18-tripentyl-1,7,13-trioxa-4,10,16-triazacyclooctadecane-2,5,8,11,14,17-hexaone (17). Following the Didepsipeptide MCO general procedure, the *seco*-acid (20.0 mg, 92.0 µmol) with NaBF₄ (25.1 mg, 230 µmol) were stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h to afford a pale yellow oil. Preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, $R_t = 24.8$ min) provided the 18-membered macrocycle (5.3 mg, 29%) as an opaque film. $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +26 (*c* 0.25, CHCl₃); $R_f = 0.30$ (3% MeOH/DCM); IR (film) 3277, 2952, 2853, 1753, 1663, 1542, 1456, 1218 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ

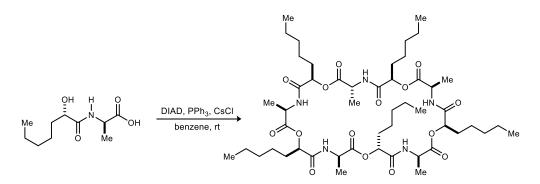
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6.89 (br d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (dd, J = 5.5, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (dq, J = 7.1, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.96-1.81 (m, 2H), 1.49 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.39-1.26 (br m, 6H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 169.8, 169.6, 74.3, 48.9, 31.6, 31.3, 24.6, 22.4, 17.5, 13.9; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₃₀H₅₁N₃NaO₉ [M+Na]⁺ 620.3523, found 620.3547.



(3R,6R,9R,12R,15R,18R,21R,24R)-3,9,15,21-Tetramethyl-6,12,18,24-tetrapentyl-1,7,13,19-tetraoxa-

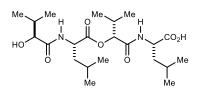
4,10,16,22-tetraazacyclotetracosan-2,5,8,11,14,17,20,23-octaone (**18**). Following the Didepsipeptide MCO general procedure, the *seco*-acid (20.0 mg, 92.0 µmol) and NaBF₄ (25.1 mg, 230 µmol) were stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h to afford a pale yellow oil. Preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, $R_t = 28.2$ min) provided the 24-membered macrocycle as a white solid (5.0 mg, 27%). Mp = 173-175 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +32 (*c* 0.13 CHCl₃); $R_f = 0.26$ (3% MeOH/DCM); IR (film) 3281, 2924, 2854, 1750, 1655, 1543, 1458, 1260, 1060 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.79 (br m, 1H), 5.13 (br dd, *J* = 6.5, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (br dq, *J* = 6.9, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 1.94-1.88 (m, 1H), 1.83-1.77 (m, 1H), 1.51 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.35-1.25 (br m, 6H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 170.7, 169.6, 74.9, 48.4, 31.3, 31.1, 24.4, 22.4, 17.5, 13.9; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₄₀H₆₈N₄NaO₁₂[M+Na]⁺ 819.4731, found 819.4739.



(3R,6R,9R,12R,15R,18R,21R,24R,27R,30R)-3,9,15,21,27-Pentamethyl-6,12,18,24,30-pentapentyl-1,7,13,19,25-pentaoxa-4,10,16,22,28-pentaazacyclotriacontane-2,5,8,11,14,17,20,23,26,29-decaone (19). Following the Didepsipeptide MCO general procedure, the *seco*-acid (15.0 mg, 69.0 µmol) with CsCl (29.1 mg, 173 µmol) were stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h to afford a pale yellow oil. Preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, R_t = 36.8 min) provided the 30-membered macrocycle (3.7)

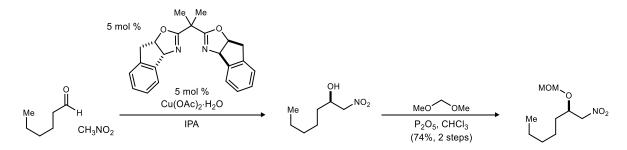
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mg, 27%) as an opaque film. $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ +6.0 (*c* 0.10, CHCl₃); $R_f = 0.37$ (3% MeOH/DCM); IR (film) 3298, 2924, 2853, 1749, 1656, 1544, 1458, 1378, 1261 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.03 (br d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (dq, *J* = 6.8, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 1.96-1.89 (m, 1H), 1.78-1.69 (m, 1H), 1.52 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.39-1.28 (br m, 6H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 171.9, 170.3, 74.5, 49.0, 31.7, 31.3, 24.6, 22.4, 17.3, 13.9; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₅₀H₈₅N₅NaO₁₅[M+Na]⁺ 1018.5940, found 1018.5942.



((*R*)-2-((((*S*)-2-Hydroxy-3-methylbutanoyl)-*L*-leucyl)oxy)-3methylbutanoyl)-*L*-leucine (20). Compound 20 was prepared following an analogous 6-step sequence to 13. Preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, $R_t =$ 18.3 min) provided the *seco*-acid (170 mg, 36%, 6 steps) as a pale yellow oil. $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ -30 (*c* 0.13, CHCl₃); $R_f = 0.19$ (10%

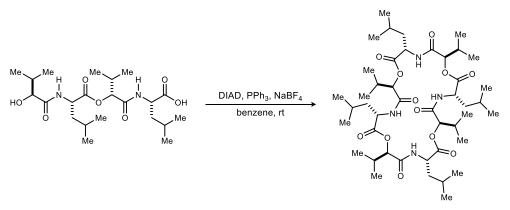
MeOH/DCM); IR (film) 3314, 2961, 2931, 2874, 1740, 1656, 1545, 1469, 1369, 1237, 1155, 1022 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ 8.07 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.56 (br s, 1H), 4.76 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (ddd, J = 10.2, 8.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (ddd, J = 11.0, 8.5, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (d, J = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 2.14 (qqd, J = 6.8, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.02 (qqd, J = 6.8, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 1.80 (ddd, J = 13.0, 10.3, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 1.66-1.45 (m, 5H), 0.93-0.84 (m, 18H), 0.79 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3H), 0.77 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), COO*H* not observed; ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- d_6) ppm 173.8, 173.6, 171.9, 168.6, 77.9, 75.1, 50.1, 49.7, 39.7, 39.5, 31.2, 30.0, 24.2, 24.0, 22.9, 22.8, 21.2, 20.8, 19.1, 18.8, 16.5, 16.0; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C₂₂H₄₀N₂NaO₇ [M+Na]⁺ 467.2733, found 467.2714.



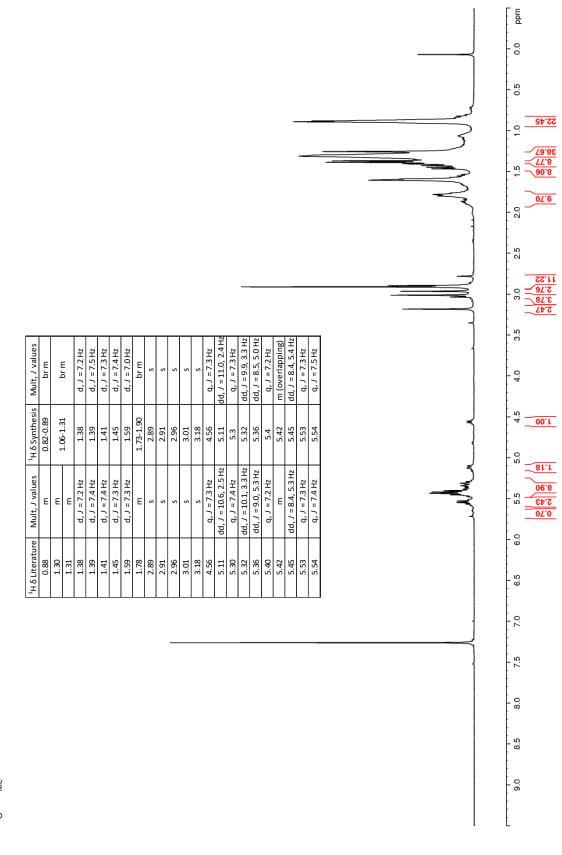
(*R*)-2-(Methoxymethoxy)-1-nitroheptane (S1). Following the Evans¹¹ enantioselective Henry procedure, IndaBOX (117 mg, 326 μ mol) and Cu(OAc)₂•H₂O (65.0 mg, 326 μ mol) stirred at ambient temperature in IPA (26 mL) for 1 h. The cerulean blue solution was then cooled to 0 °C and hexanal (800 μ L, 6.51 mmol) was added and allowed to stir for 10 m before nitromethane (3.50 mL, 65.1 mmol) addition. After stirring for 4 days at 0 °C, the reaction was quenched dropwise at 0 °C with pre-chilled 1 N HCl and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. Following drying and concentration under reduced pressure, the crude alcohol was dissolved in CHCl₃ (32.6 mL), treated with P₂O₅ (9.24 g, 65.1 mmol) and dimethoxymethane (11.5 mL, 130 mmol), and stirred at

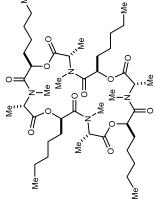
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ambient temperature overnight. The reaction was cooled to 0 °C, quenched slowly with satd aq NaHCO₃, and then poured into CH₂Cl₂. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The organic layers were dried and concentrated to an oil that was subjected to flash column chromatography (SiO₂, 3-6% diethyl ether in hexanes) to afford the title compound as a pale yellow oil (990 mg, 74%, 2 steps). The enantiopurity was determined to be 96% ee by chiral HPLC analysis (Chiralcel OD-H, 2% ^{*i*}PrOH /hexanes, 0.4 mL/min, $t_r(e_1, \text{ major}) = 16.4 \text{ min}$, $t_r(e_2, \text{ minor}) = 18.9 \text{ min}$). [α]_D²⁰ -10 (*c* 0.60, CHCl₃); R_f = 0.16 (6% Et₂O/hexanes); IR (film) 2932, 2861, 1558, 1463, 1385, 1156, 1138, 1105, 1032, 919 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.67 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (dd, *J* = 12.4, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (dd, *J* = 12.4, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (dddd, *J* = 8.1, 6.1, 6.1, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 3.35 (s, 3H), 1.71-1.56 (m, 2H), 1.38-1.29 (br m, 6H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) ppm 96.2, 79.1, 74.9, 55.9, 32.3, 31.6, 24.5, 22.5, 13.9; HRMS (CI): Exact mass calcd for C₉H₁₉N₁O₄Na [M+Na]⁺ 228.1212, found 228.1207.

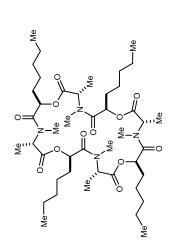


(3*S*,6*R*,9*S*,12*R*,15*S*,18*R*,21*S*,24*R*)-3,9,15,21-Tetraisobutyl-6,12,18,24-tetraisopropyl-1,7,13,19-tetraoxa-4,10,16,22-tetraazacyclotetracosan-2,5,8,11,14,17,20,23-octaone (S2). Following the Tetradepsipeptide MCO general procedure, the *seco*-acid (20.0 mg, 45.0 µmol) with NaBF₄ (24.7 mg, 225 µmol) was stirred for 18 h at ambient temperature to afford a chunky white solid. Preparative HPLC (5-95% aqueous acetonitrile, 210 nm, flow rate: 8 mL/min, R_t = 26.2 m) provided the 24-membered macrocycle (6.0 mg, 31%) as a white powder. [*α*]_D²⁰ -21 (*c* 0.11, MeOH); R_f = 0.1 (3% MeOH/DCM); IR (film) 3353, 2958, 2922, 2852, 1736, 1654, 1557, 1459, 1261, 1099, 1157, 1020, 800 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 9.06 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (ddd, *J* = 12.3, 9.6, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.31 (ddd, *J* = 12.7, 12.7, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 2.06 (br qqd, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 1.50-1.42 (br m, 1H), 1.39-1.36 (ddd, 12.7, 12.7, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 0.98 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.81 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H), 0.77 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) ppm 171.9, 168.4, 79.4, 49.2, 40.7, 29.9, 23.10, 23.07, 20.2, 18.5, 18.2; HRMS (ESI): Exact mass calcd for C44H₇₆N₄NaO₁₂ [M+Na]⁺ 875.5357, found 875.5361. Johnston et al. Figure 1. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of (*nat-*1)





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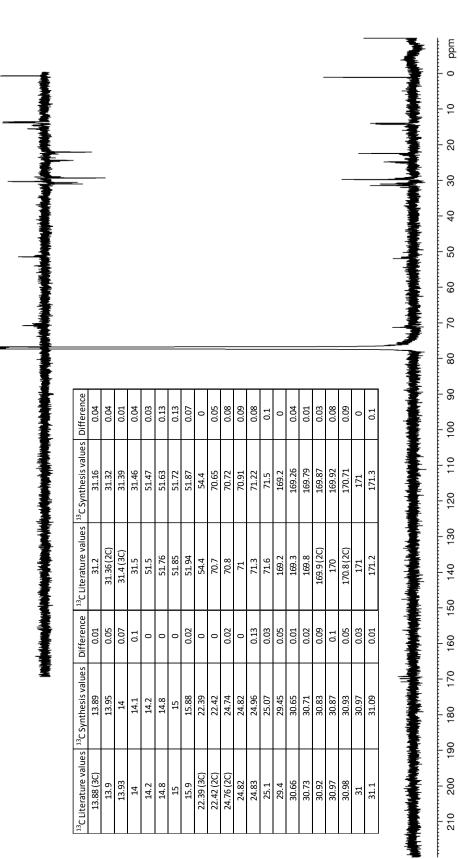


Figure 3. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of (*nat-2*)

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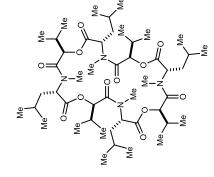
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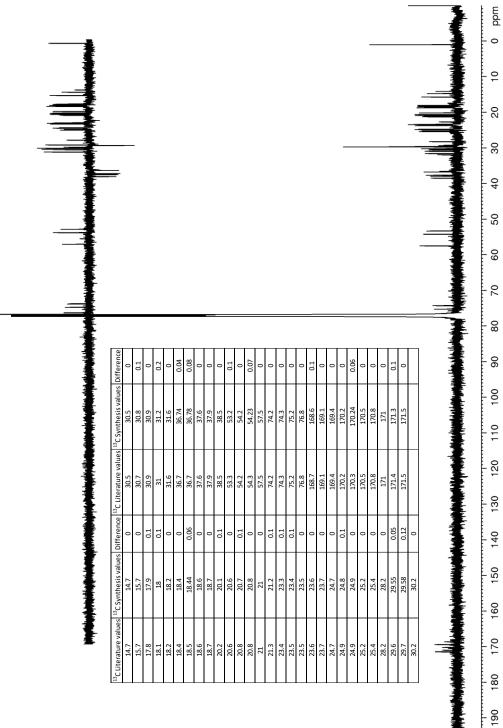
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Figure 4. ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) of (*nat-2*)

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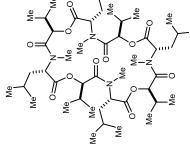
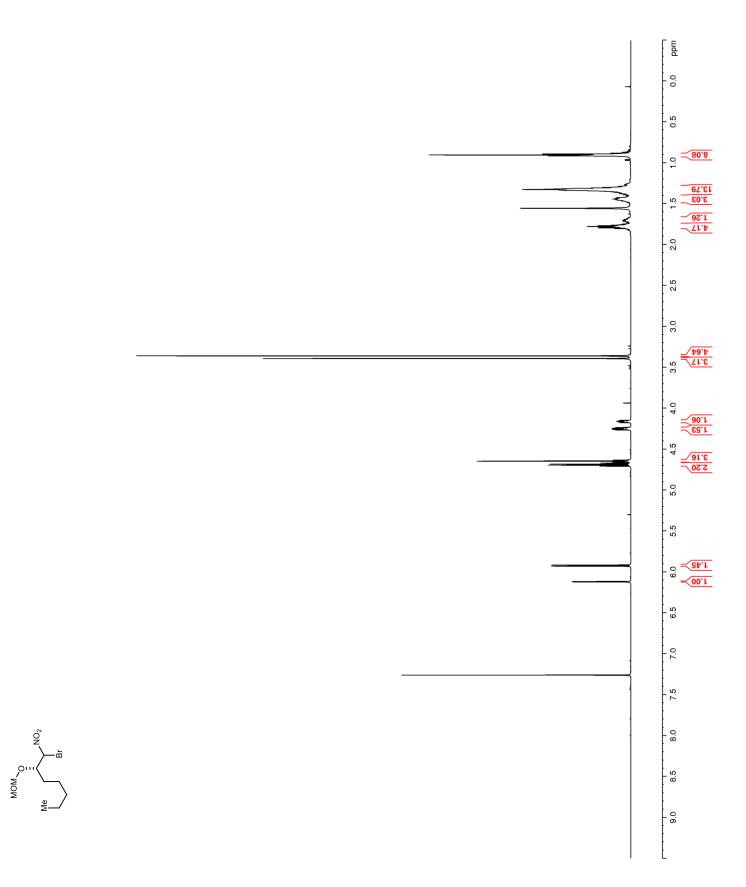
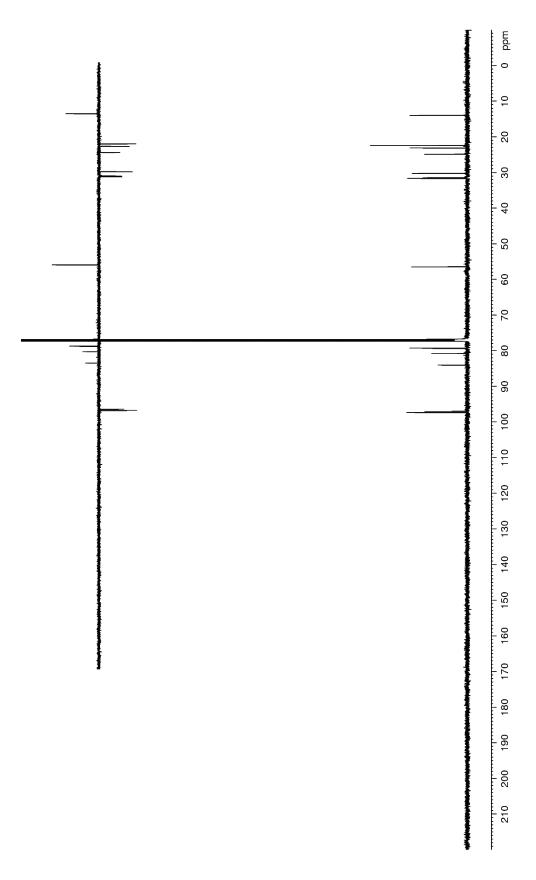
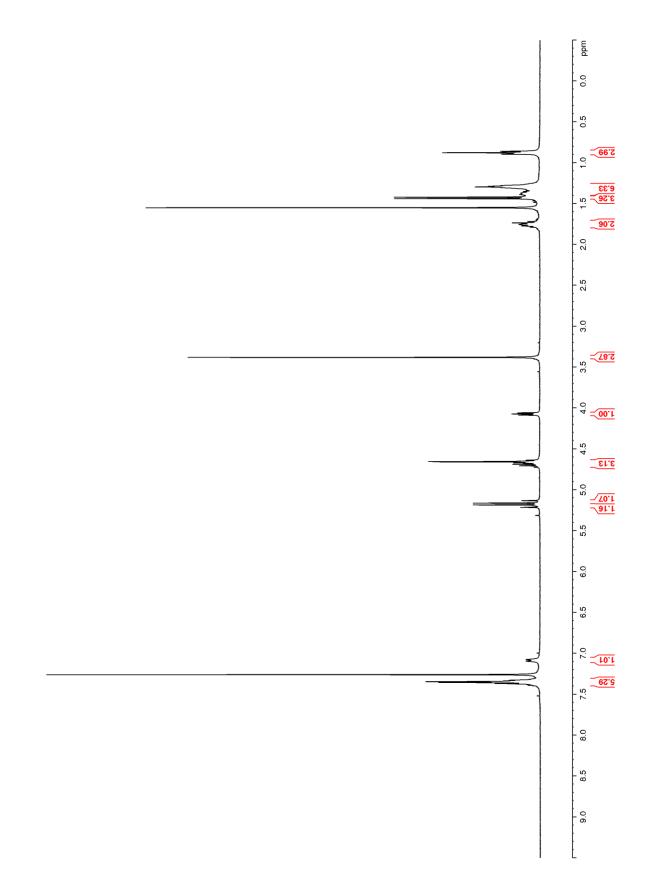


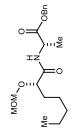
Figure 5. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) of 3

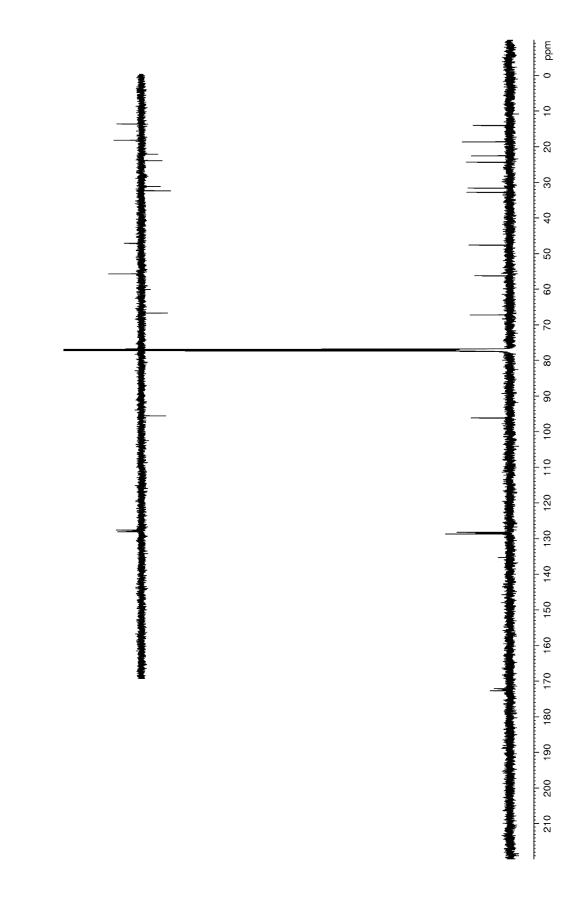


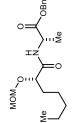


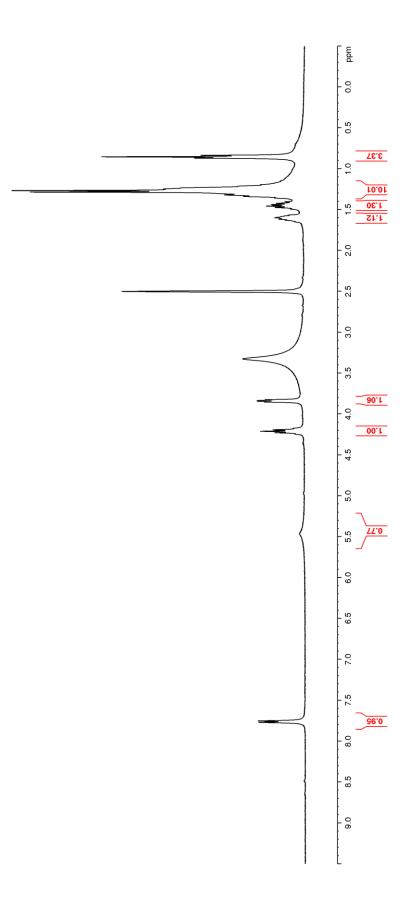


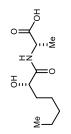


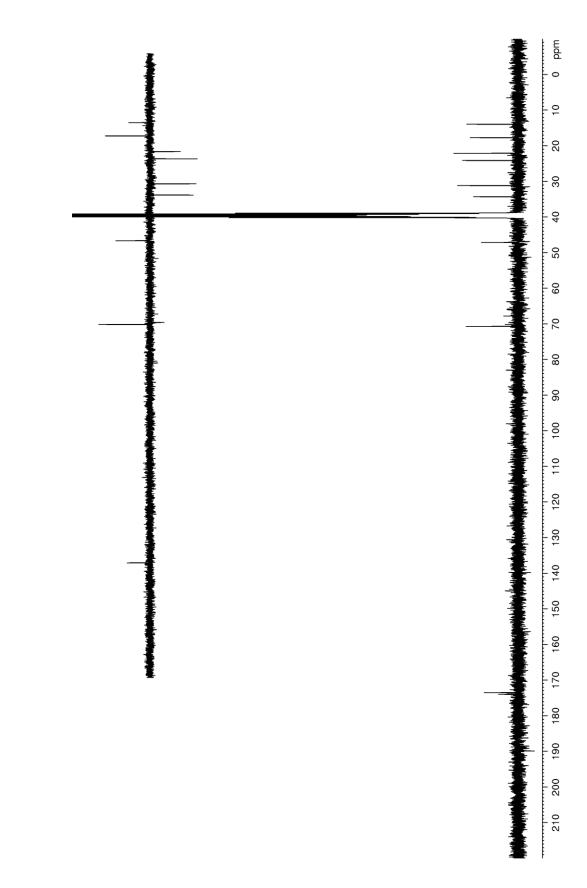


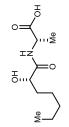












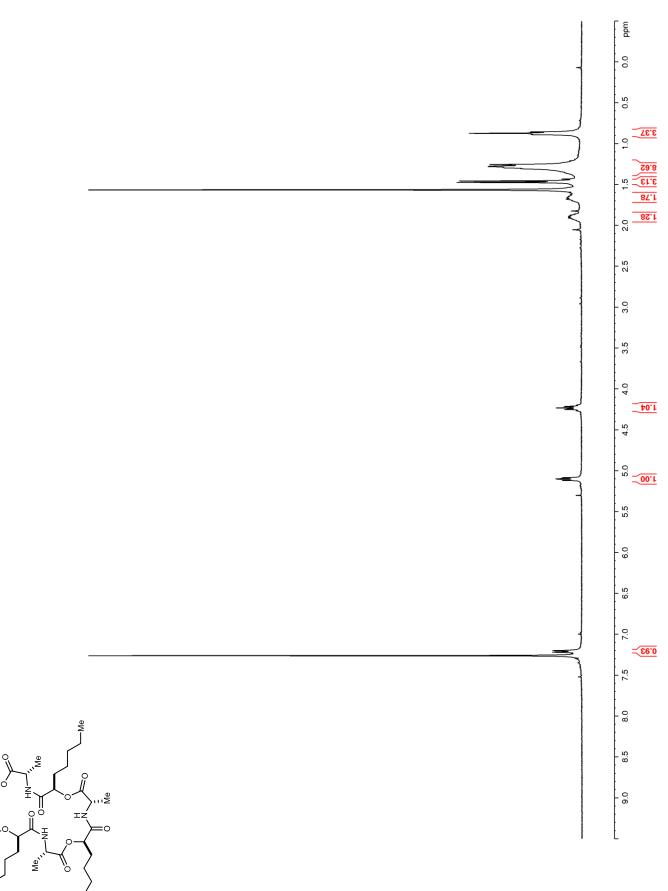


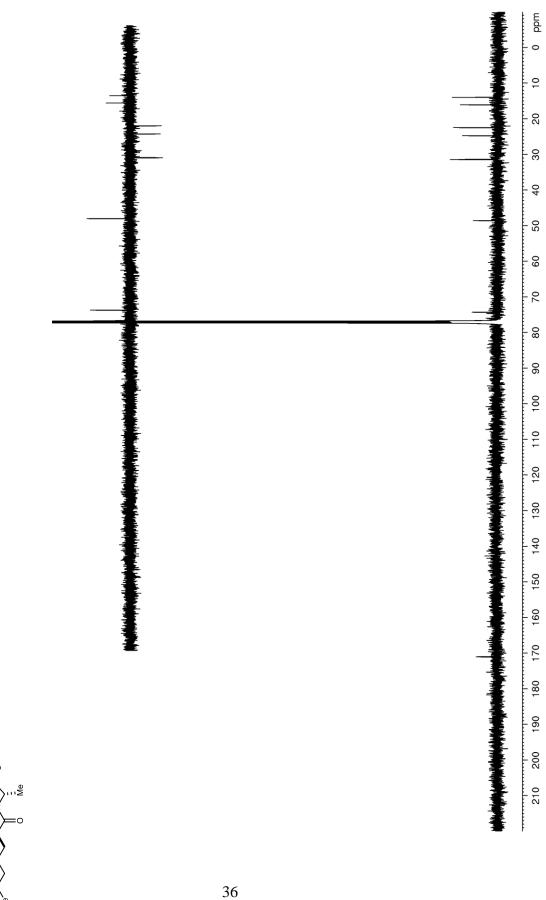
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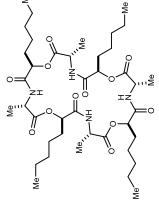
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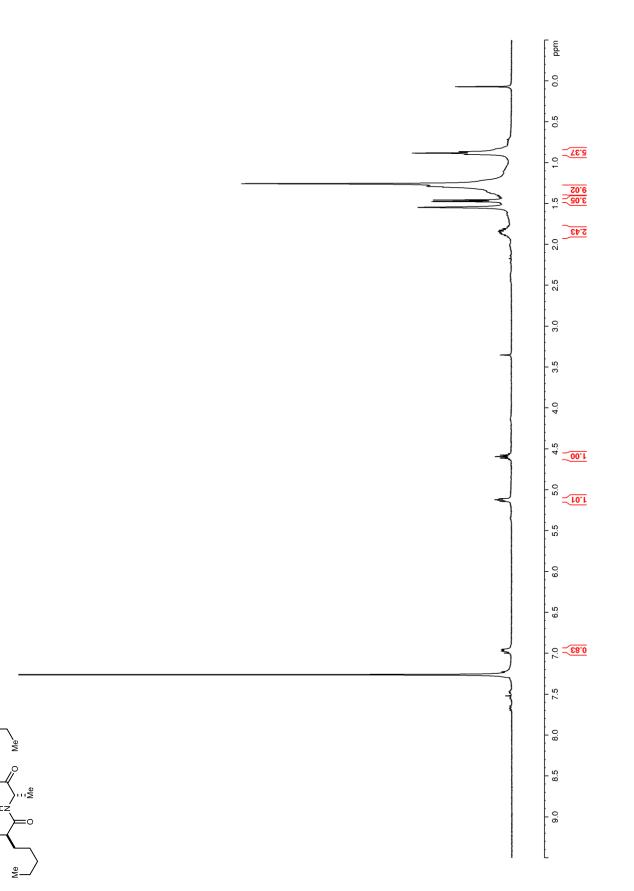




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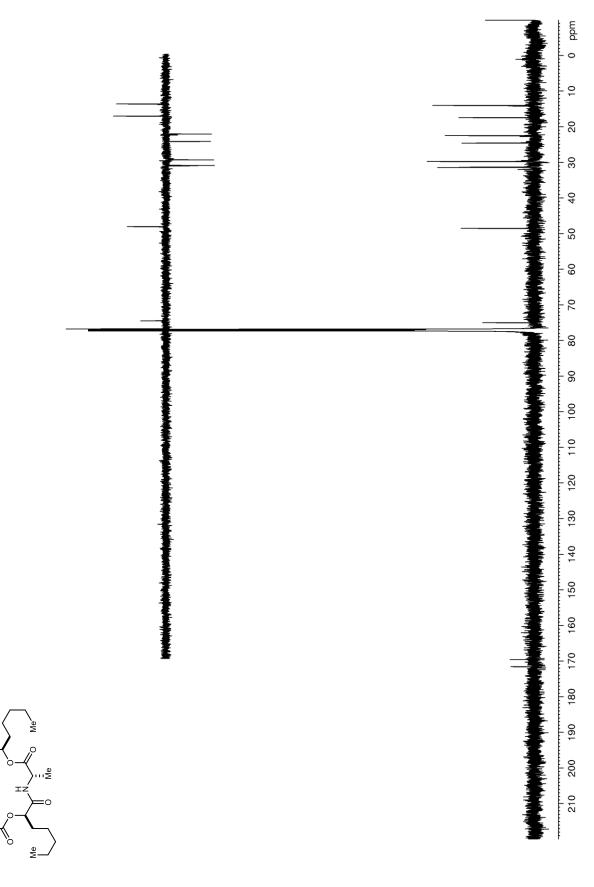
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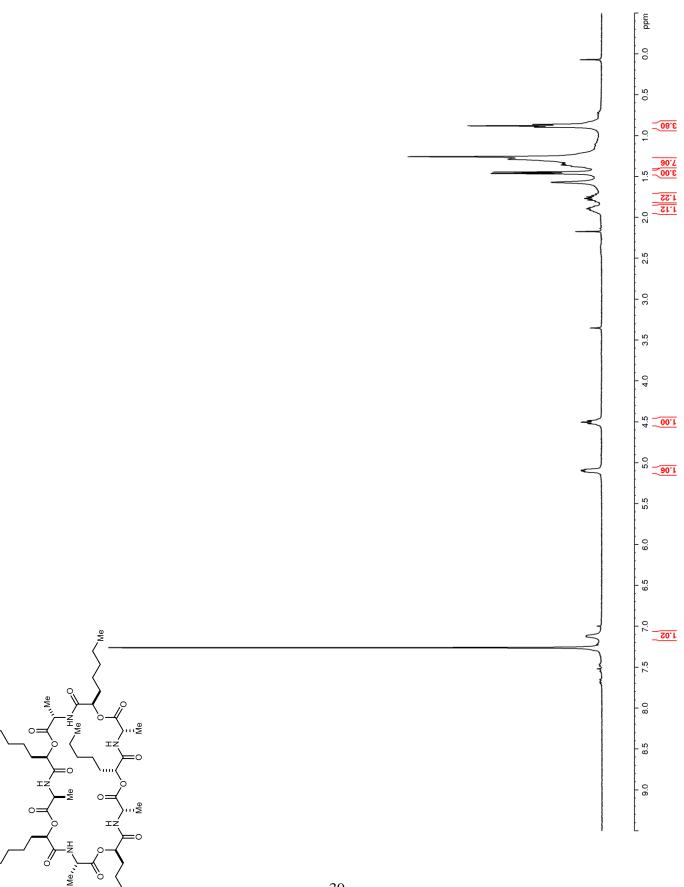
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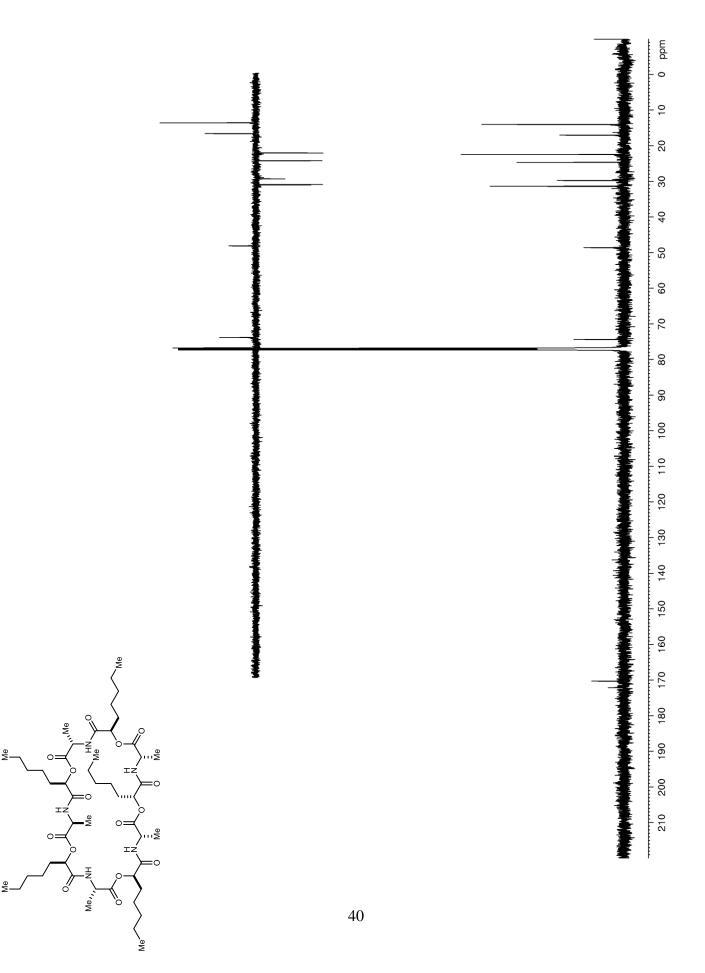
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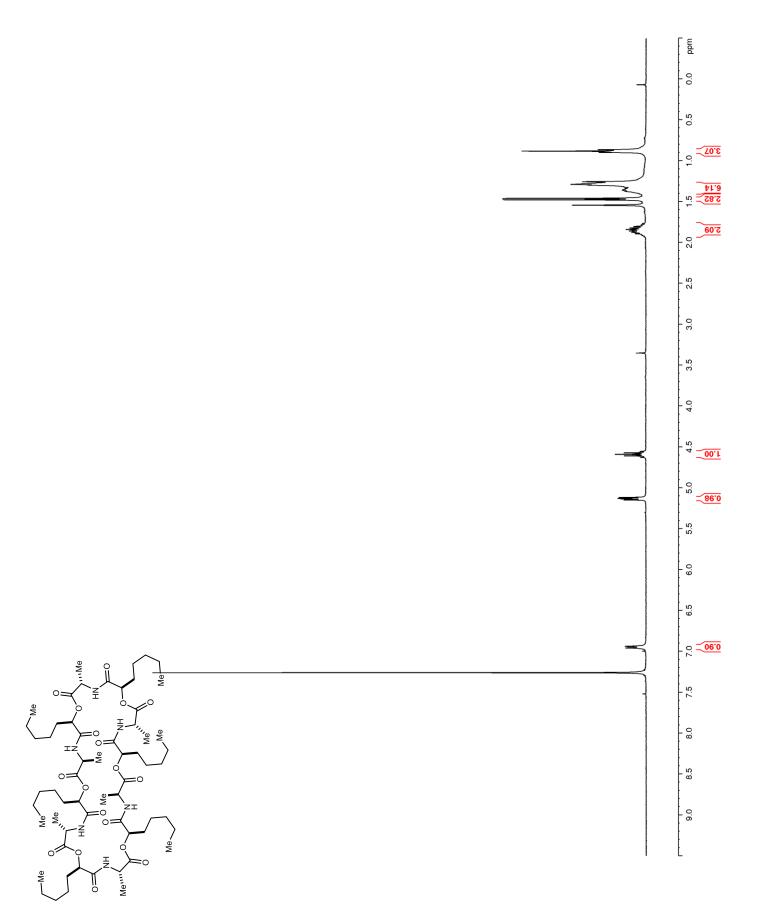


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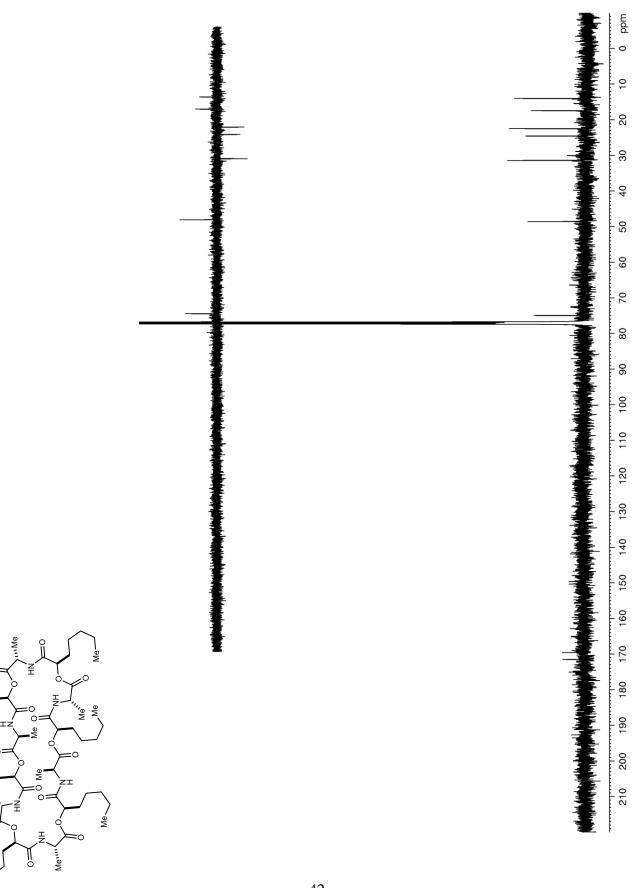




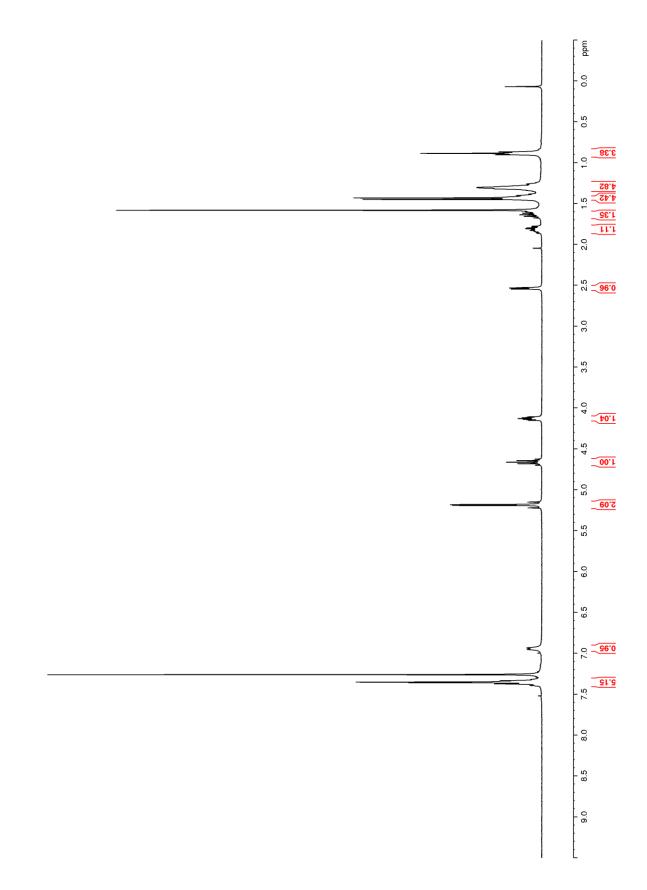
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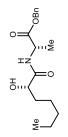
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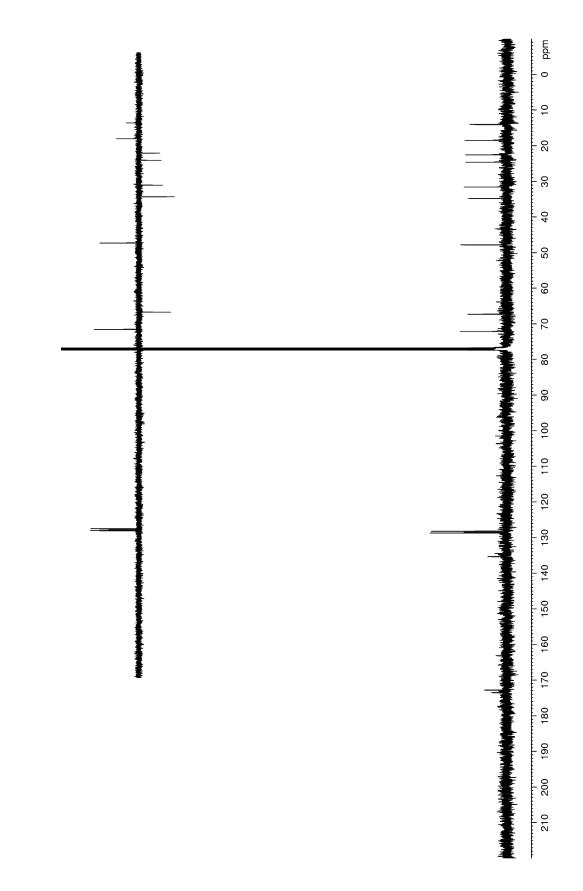
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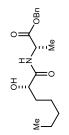


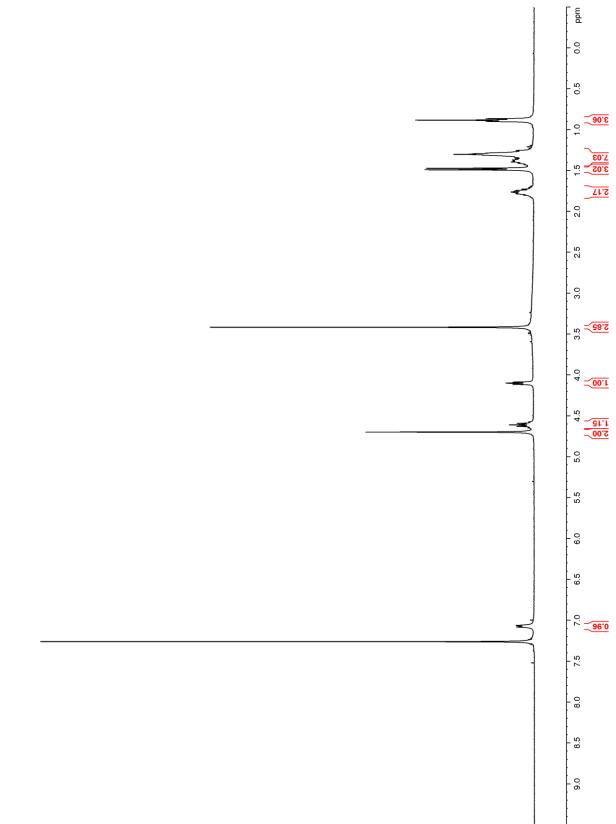
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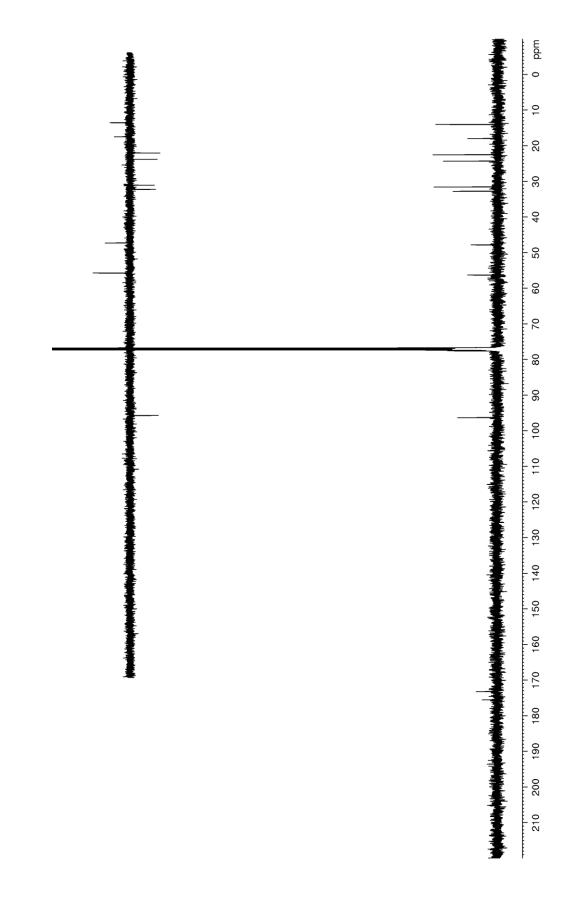


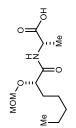




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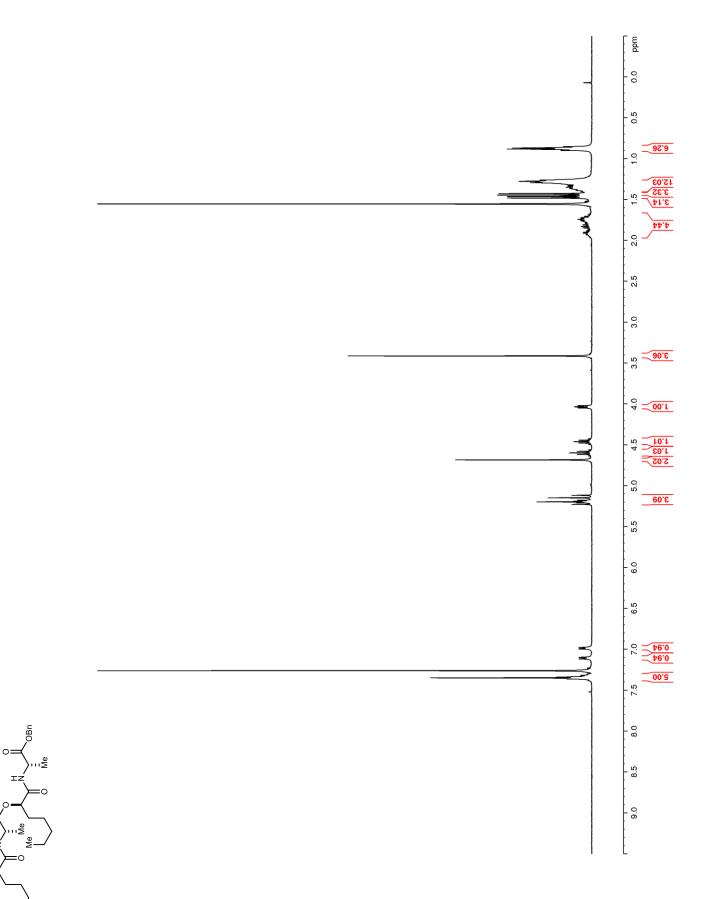


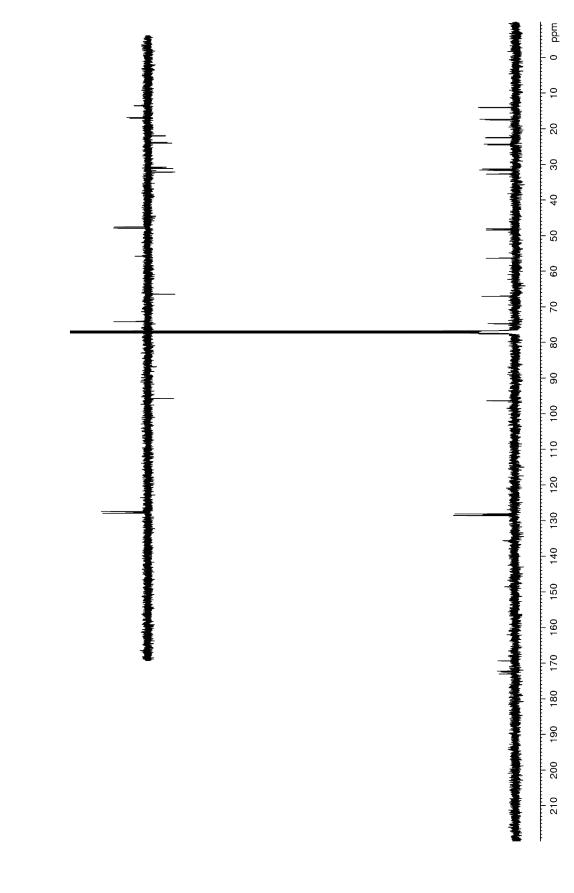


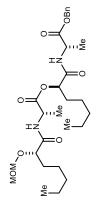
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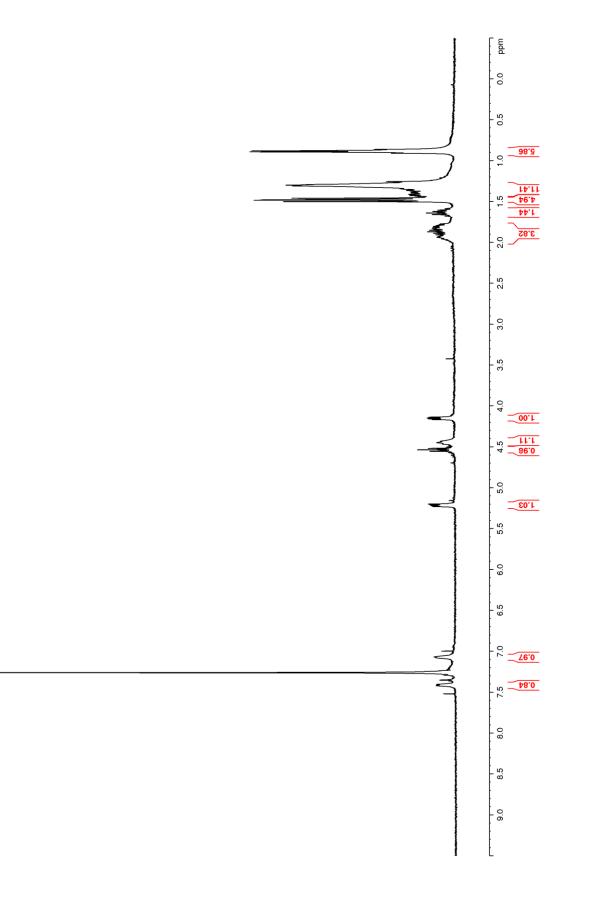
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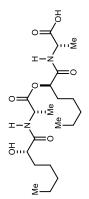
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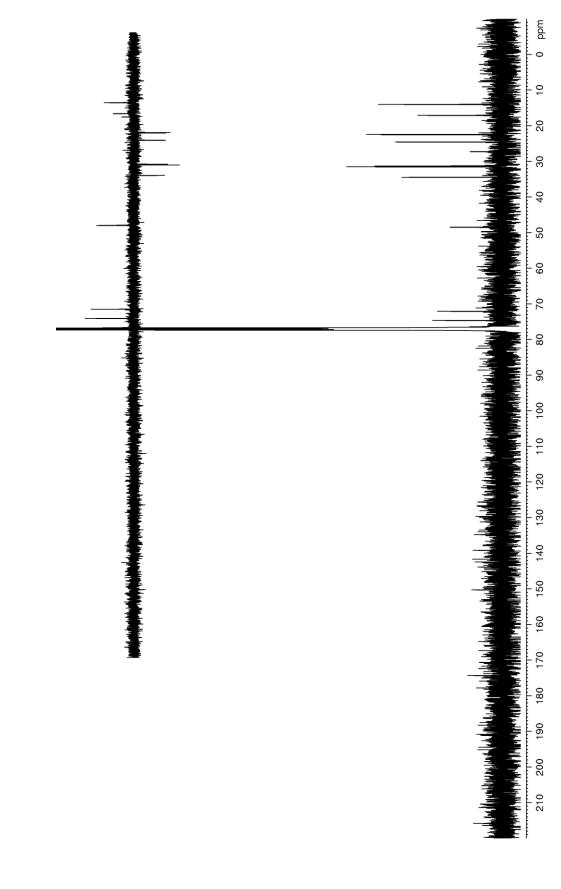


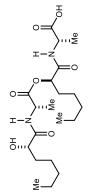












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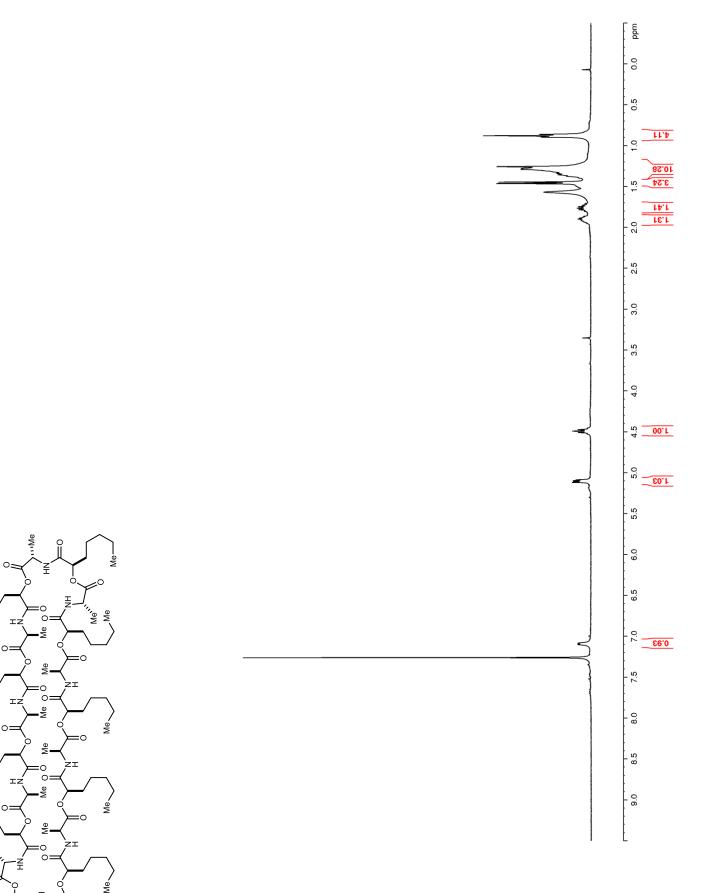
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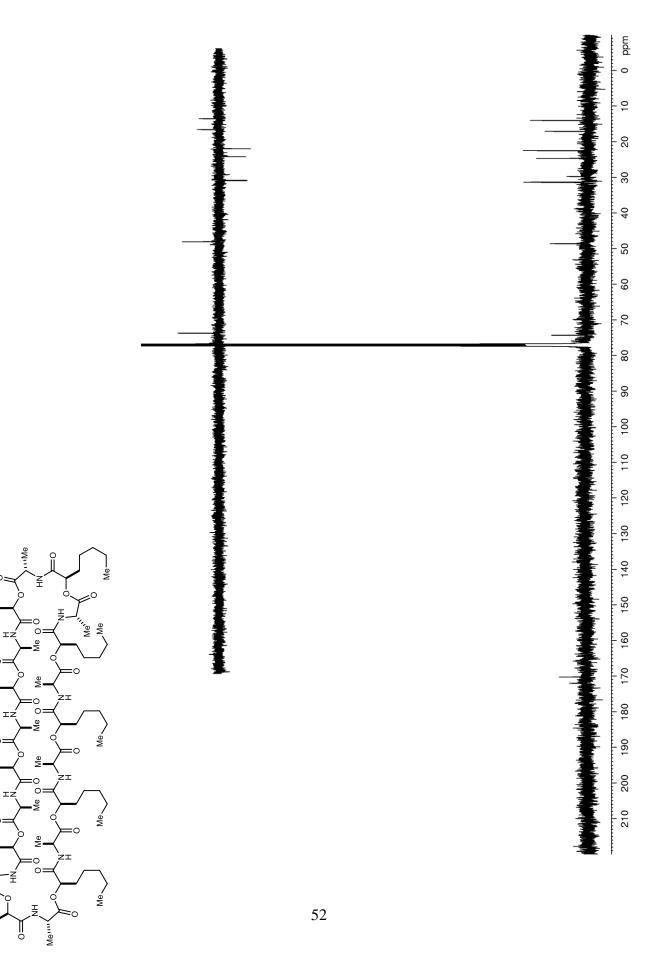
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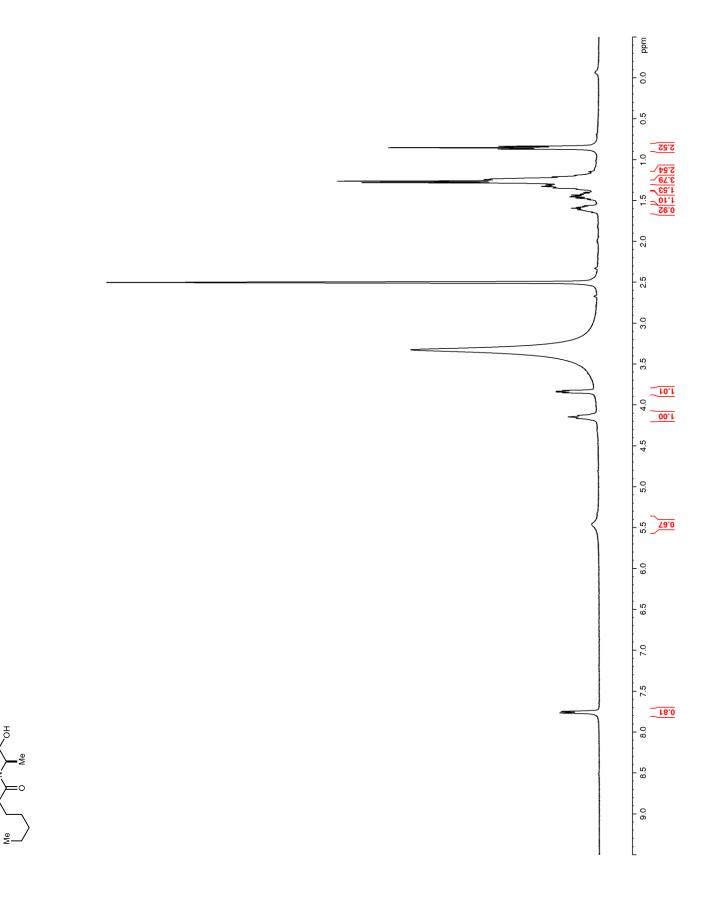
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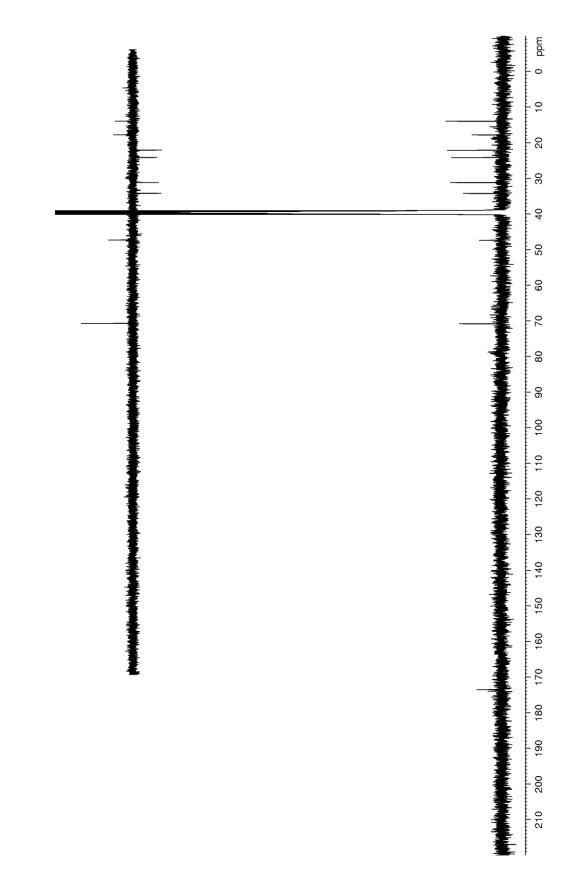
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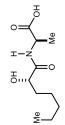
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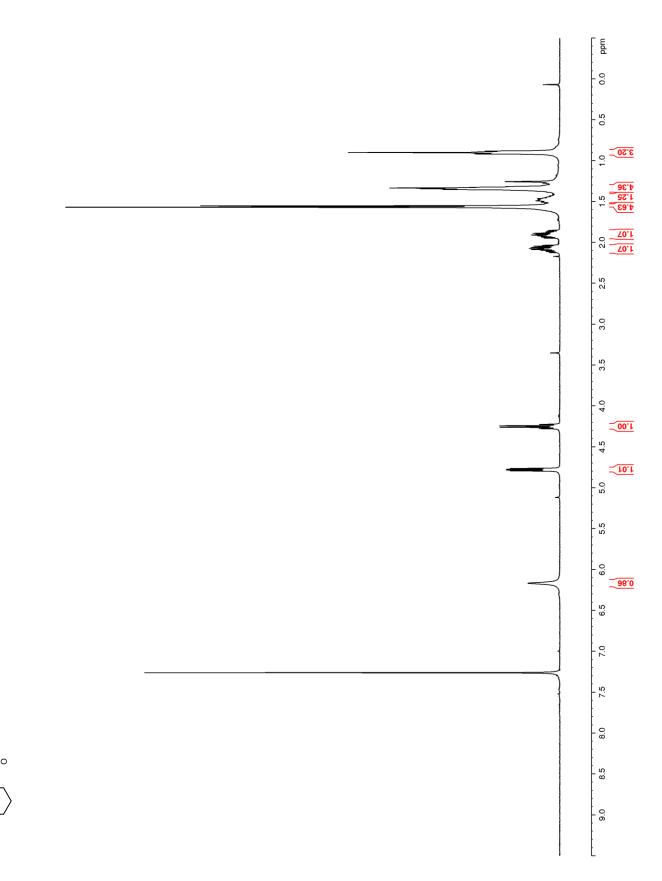


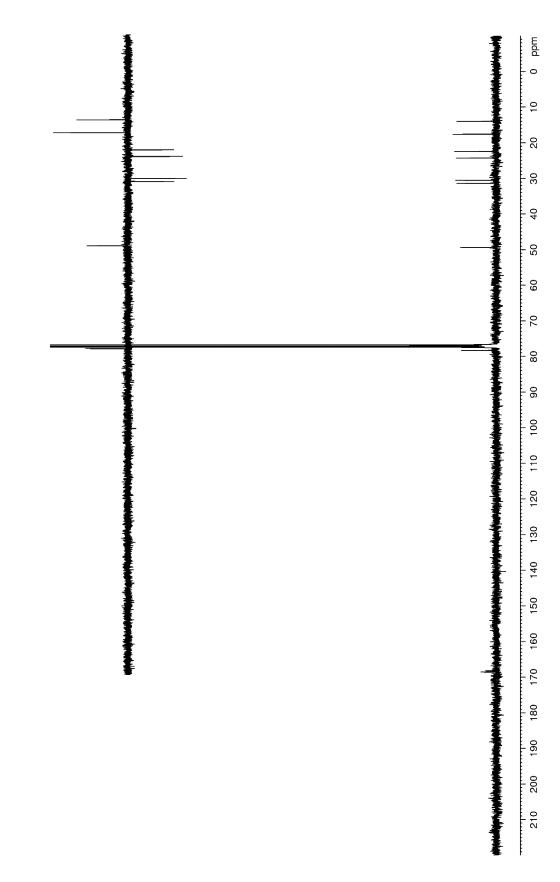




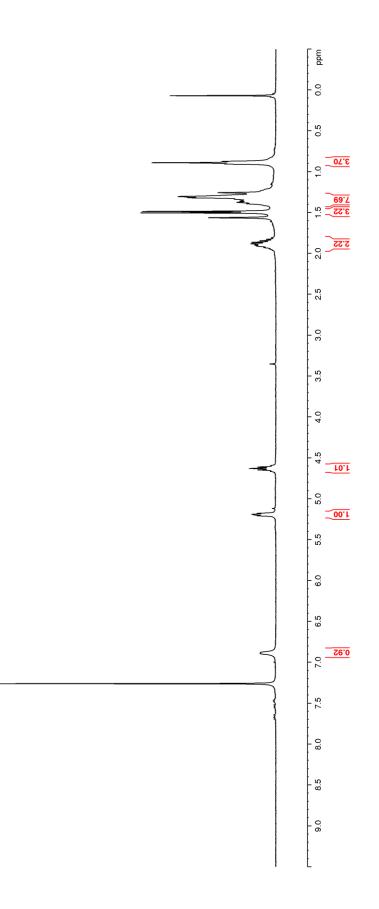
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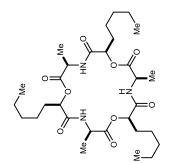
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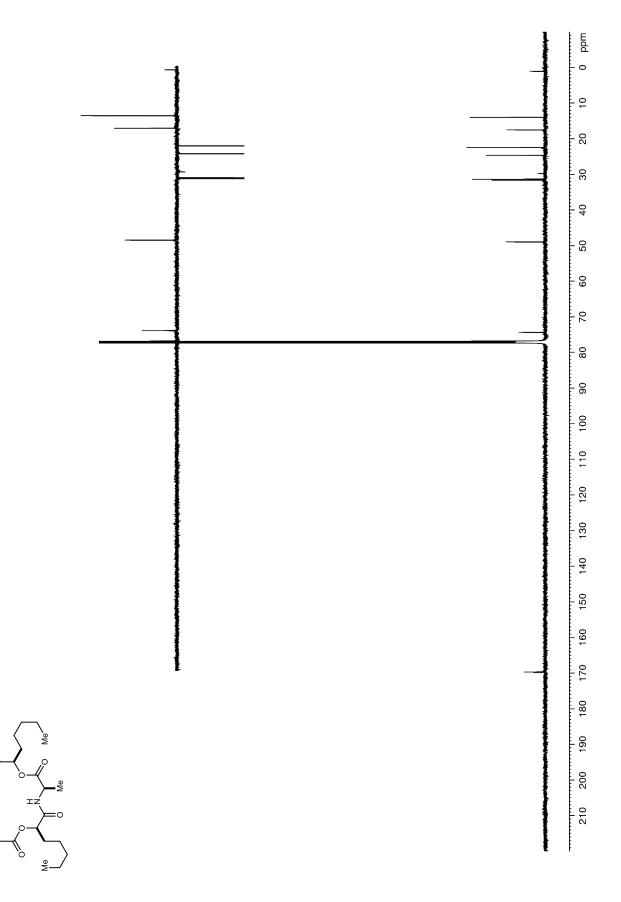






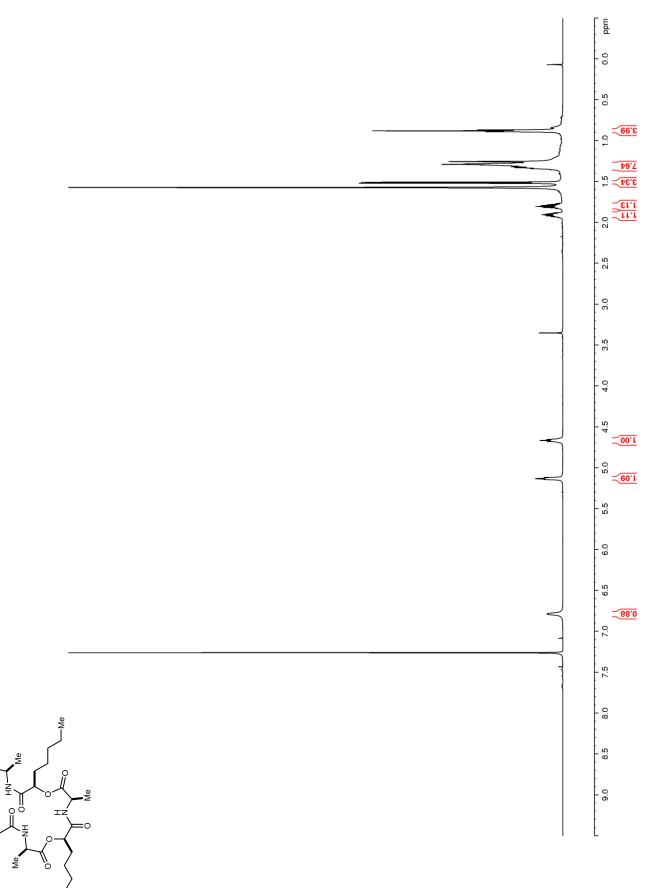


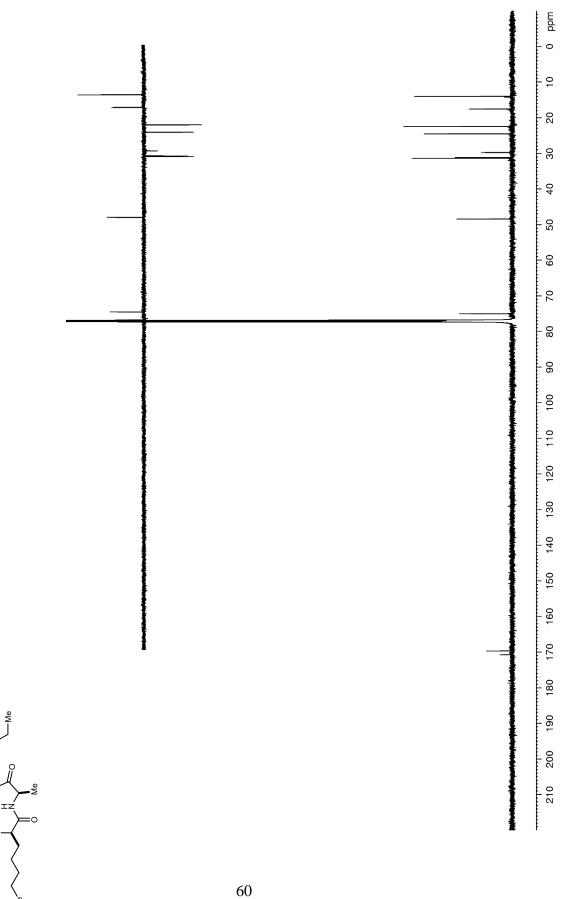
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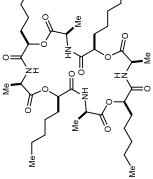


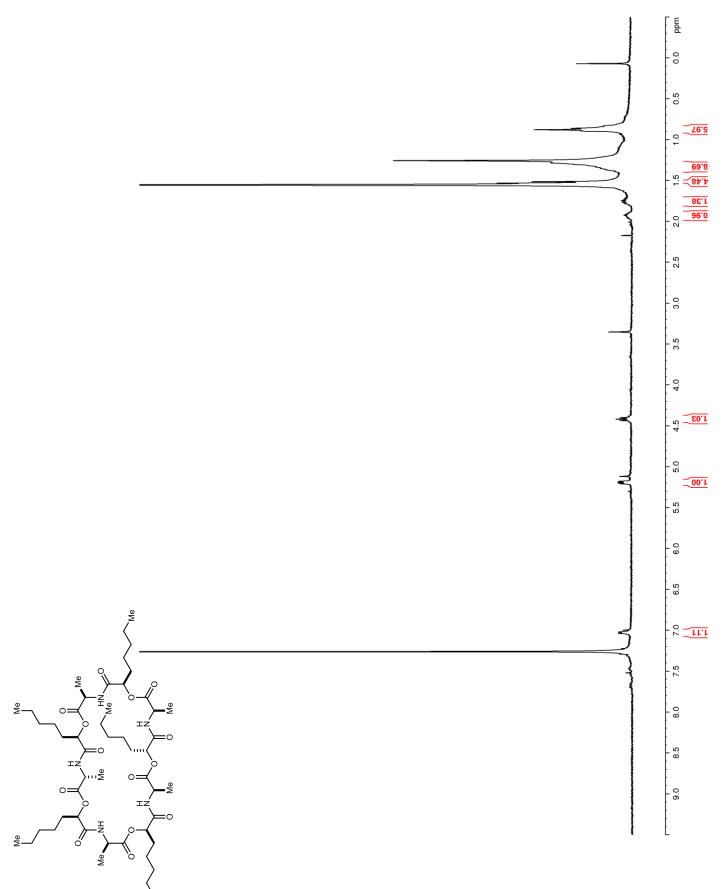
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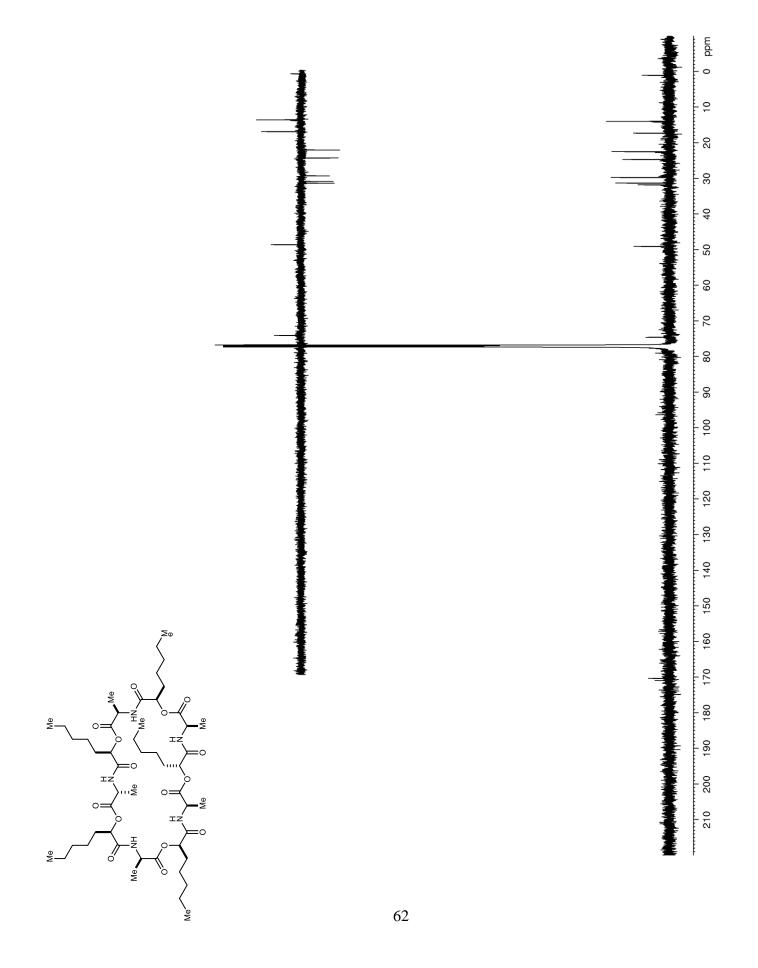
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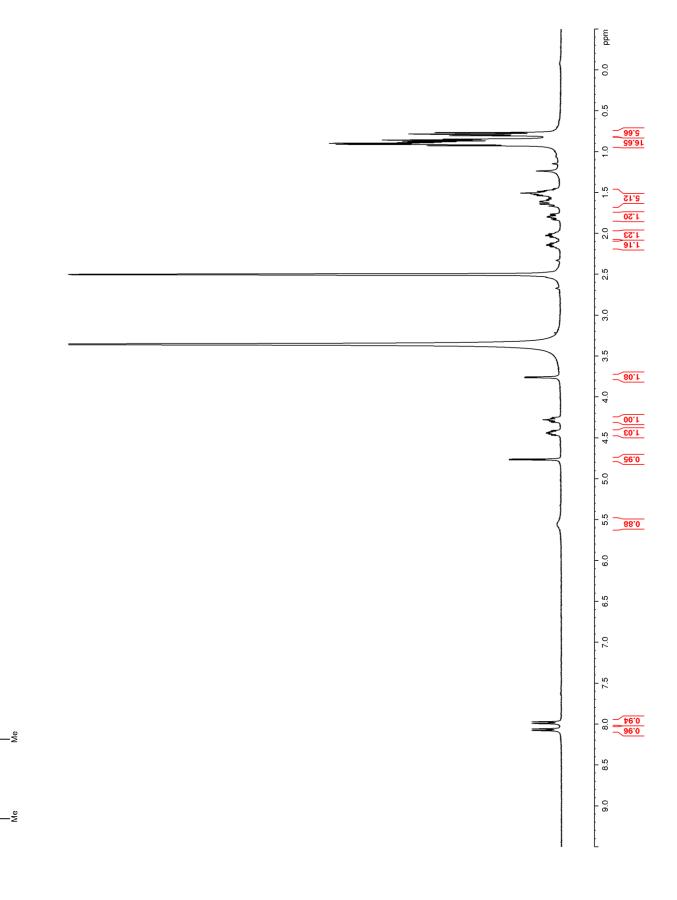




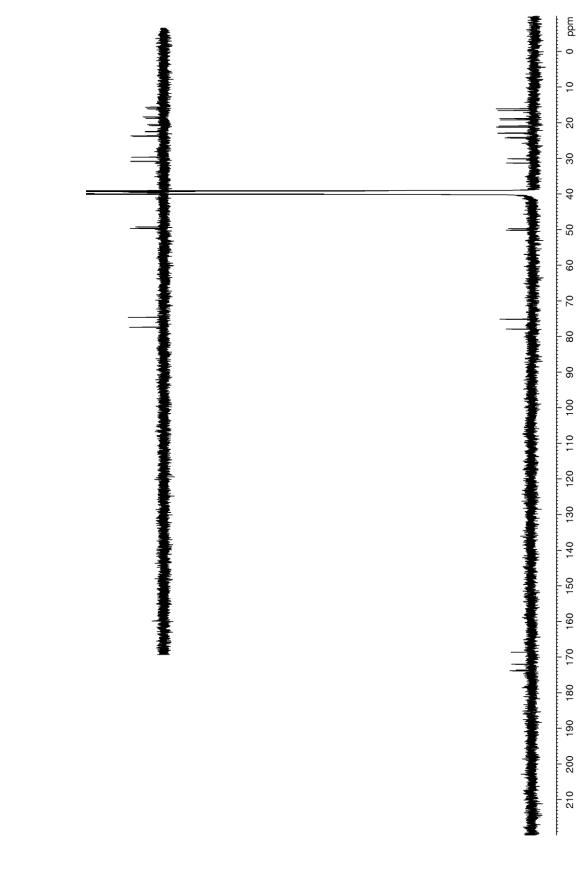


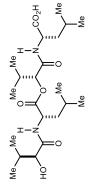
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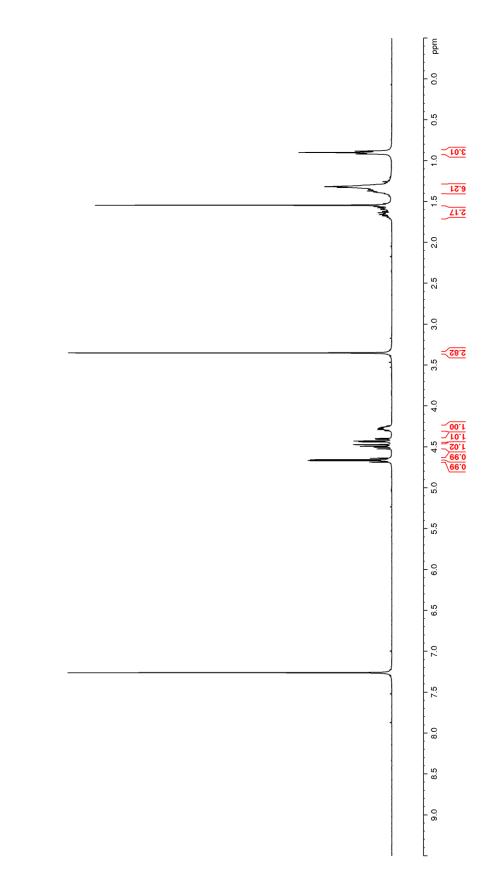
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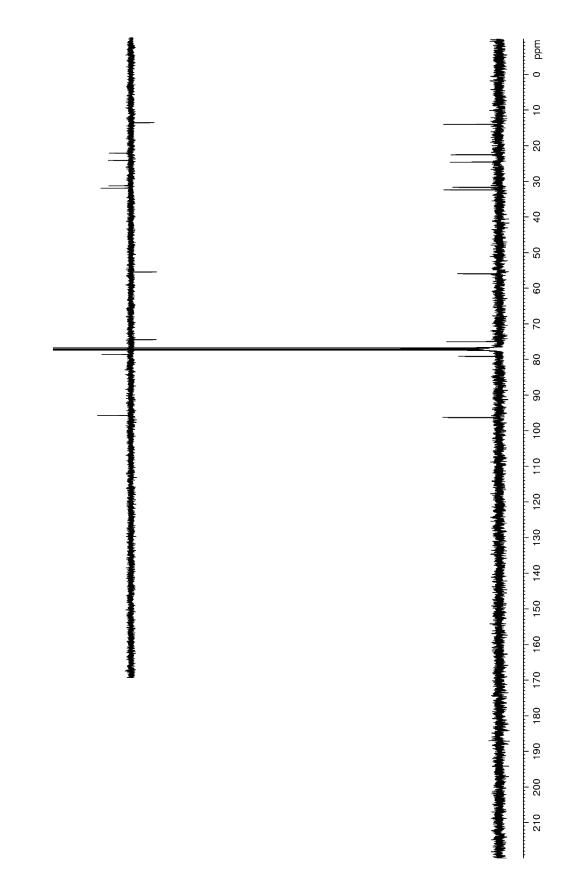










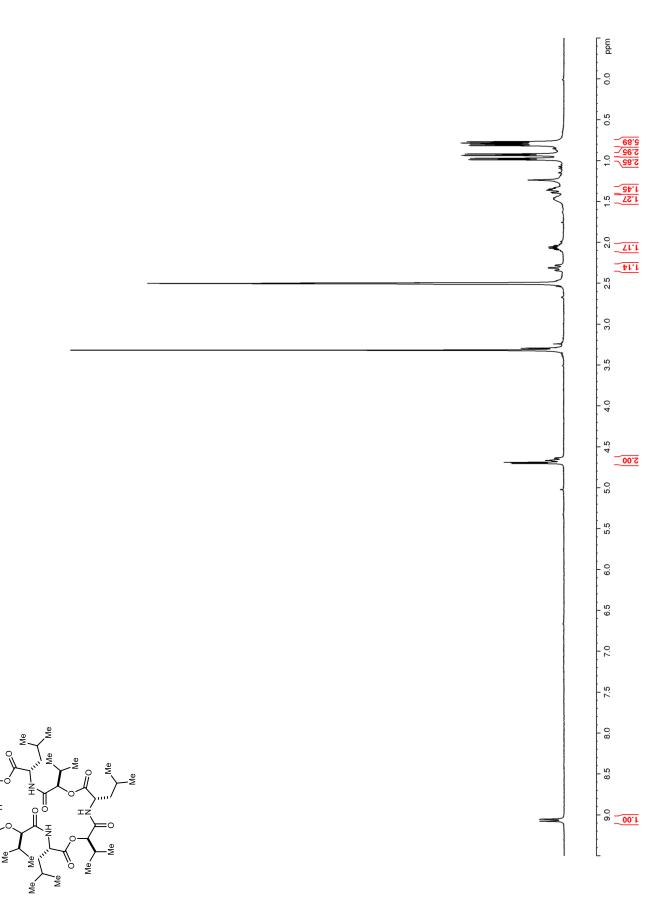


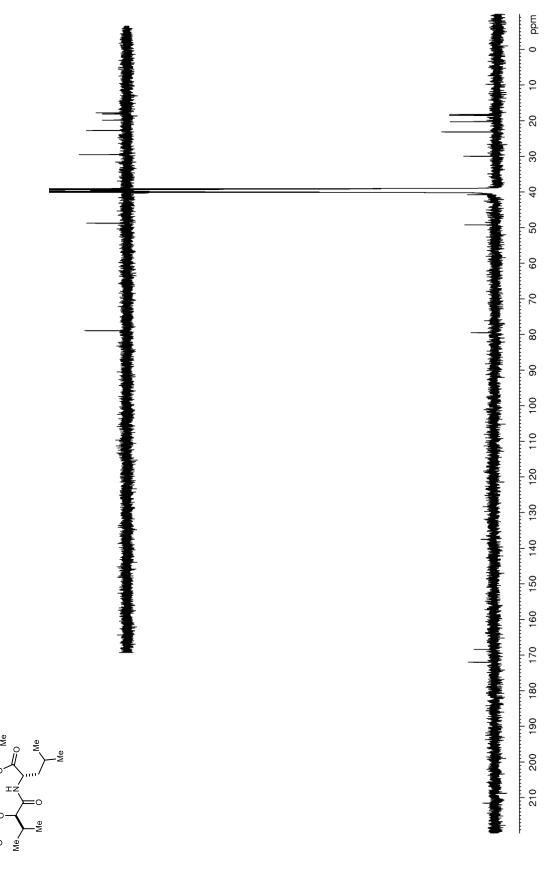


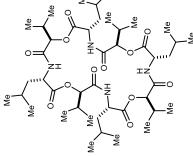
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