

# **Chromophoric Nucleoside Analogs: Synthesis and Characterization of 6-Aminouracil-Based Nucleodyes**

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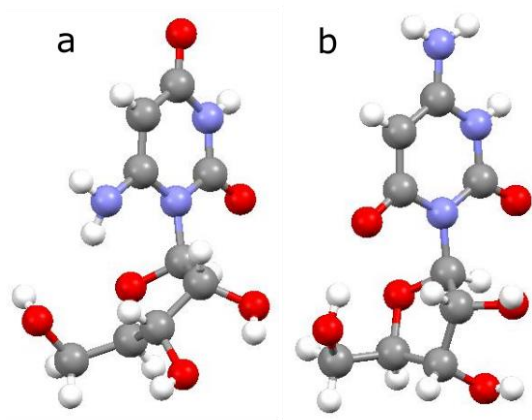
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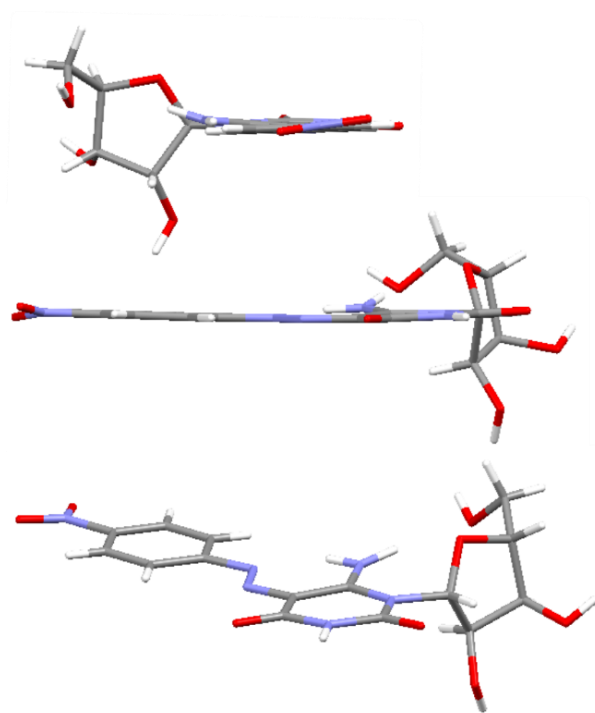
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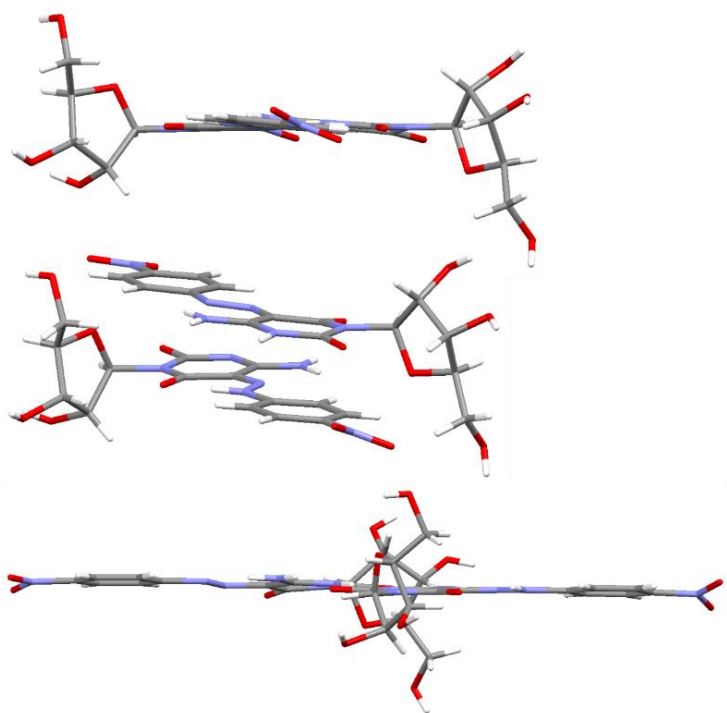
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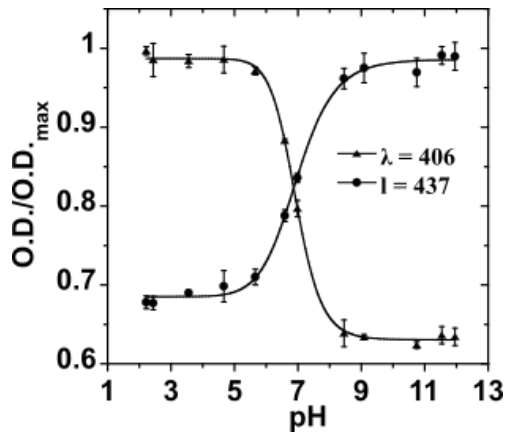
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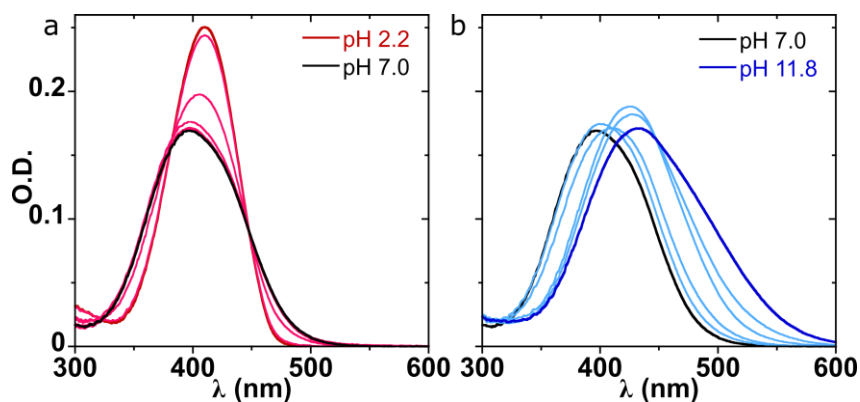
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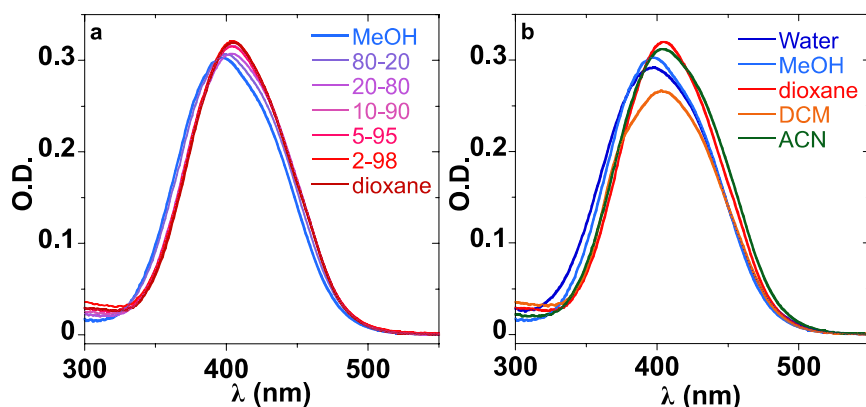
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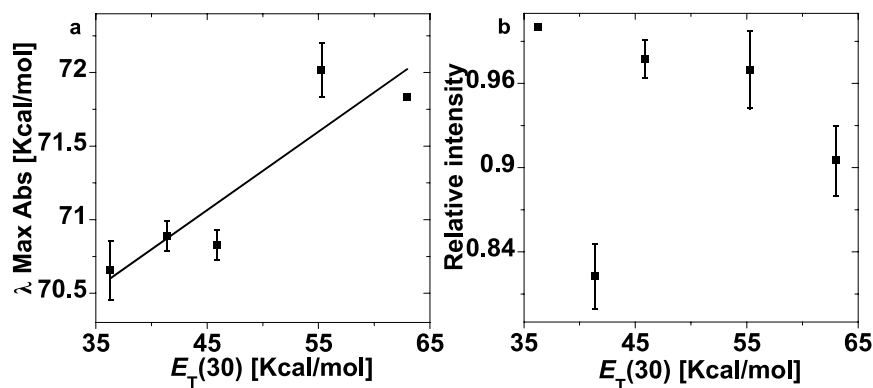
**Figure S4.** Correlation of optical density values to pH at Gaussian maxima  $\lambda = 406$  nm (red) and  $\lambda = 437$  nm (blue) for 5-(4-nitrophenylazo)-6-oxocytidine (**8**) give a slightly lower value than the wavelength maxima correlation indicating the transition at neutral pH ( $pK_{a1} = 7.0 \pm 0.1$ ).



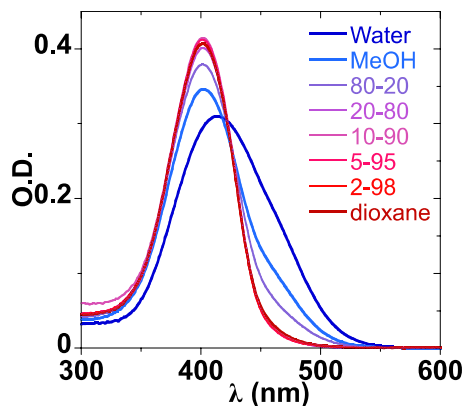
**Figure S5.** Split Figure 3a. Absorption spectra as function of pH for 6-amino-5-(4-nitrophenylazo) uridine **5** ( $5.9 \times 10^{-6}$  M). (a) pH 2.2 – 7.0 ( $pK_{a1} = 3.9 \pm 0.2$ ). (b) pH 7.0 – 11.8 ( $pK_{a2} = 8.8 \pm 0.1$ ).



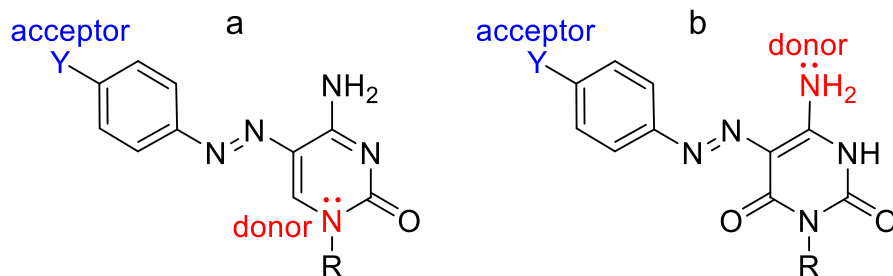
**Figure S6.** Absorption spectra as function of polarity for 6-amino-5-(4-nitrophenylazo) uridine (**5**,  $1 \times 10^{-5}$  M). (a) MeOH–dioxane solutions; (b) pure solvents.



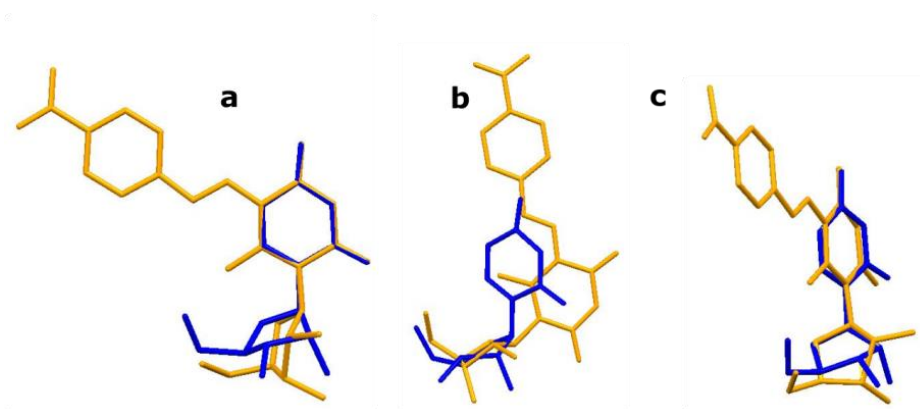
**Figure S7.** Assessing the effect of solvent polarity on absorption of **5** in pure solvents. (a) Correlation of absorption wavelength maxima and (b) absorption intensity (at the wavelength maxima) with  $E_T(30)$  values. The dramatic decrease in intensity (-18%) measured in pure DCM ( $E_T(30) = 41.4$  Kcal/mol) is likely due to solvent specific effects.



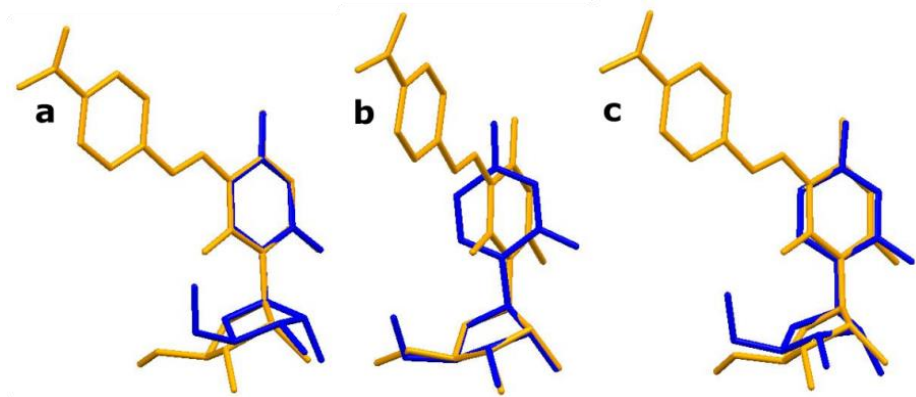
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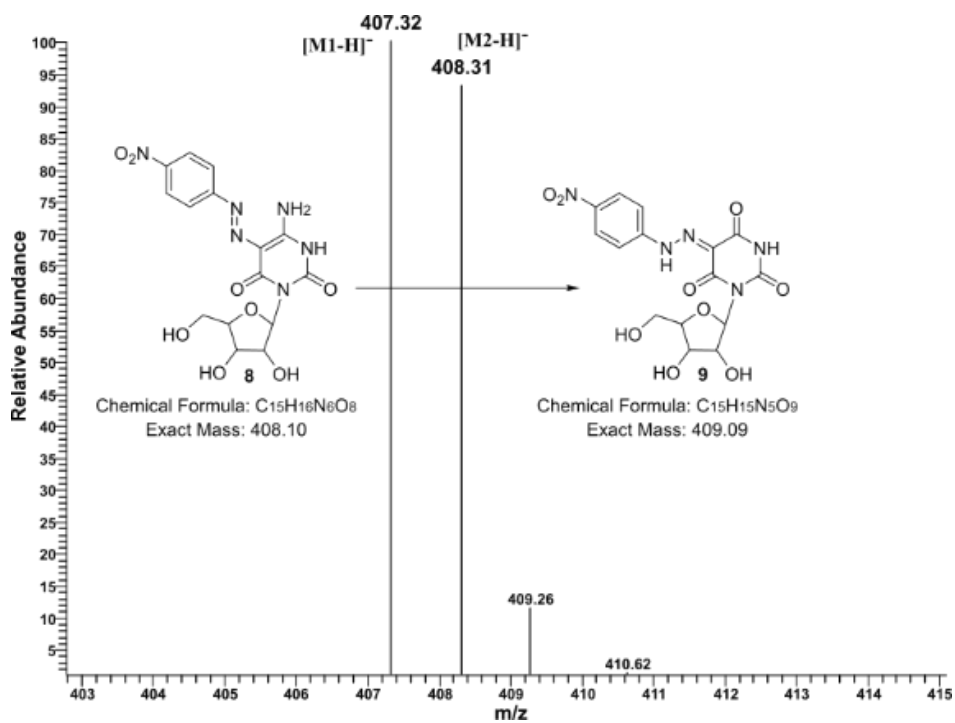
**Figure S9.** Design strategy for (a) cytidine and (b) 6-oxocytidine azo nucleodyes. R = ribofuranose or 2'-dexyribofuranose.



**Figure S10.** Overlap of uridine and 6-amino-5-(4-nitrophenylazo) uridine (**5**). a. pyrimidine core; b. sugar pucker; c. sugar and nucleobase.



**Figure S11.** Overlap of cytidine and 5-(4-nitrophenylhydrazono)-6-oxocytidine (**8b**). a. pyrimidine core; b. sugar pucker; c. sugar and nucleobase.



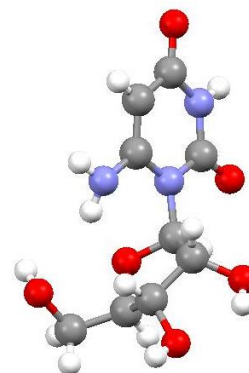
**Figure S12.** LR-MS analysis of crystallization solution gave the masses of both 5-(4-nitrophenylazo)-6-oxocytidine (**8**) and 5-(4-nitrophenylhydrazono)-6-oxouridine (**9**).

## X-ray crystal structures

The single crystal X-ray diffraction studies were carried out on a single crystal diffractometer equipped with Cu K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 1.5478$ ) and a Charge-Coupled-Device (CCD) Detector. Crystals were mounted on a Cryoloop with Paratone oil. Data were collected in a nitrogen gas stream at 100(2) K using  $\phi$  and  $\omega$  scans. The data were integrated using the Bruker SAINT software program and scaled using the SADABS software program. Solution by direct methods (SHELXT) produced a complete phasing model consistent with the proposed structure. All nonhydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically by full-matrix least-squares (SHELXL-2014). All hydrogen atoms were placed using a riding model. Their positions were constrained relative to their parent atom using the appropriate HFIX command in SHELXL-2014. All other hydrogen atoms (H-bonding) were located in the difference map. Their relative positions were restrained using DFIX commands and their thermals freely refined. Crystallographic data are summarized in Tables S1–S5.

**Table S1.** Crystal data and structure refinement for Tor100, 6-aminouridine (**4**), CCDC 1437719.

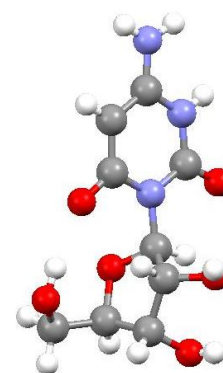
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Formula weight	259.22	
Temperature	100.0 K	
Wavelength	1.54178 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P 1 21 1	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 7.0881(3) Å	$\alpha = 90^\circ$ .
	b = 6.6887(3) Å	$\beta = 96.219(2)^\circ$ .
	c = 11.6839(6) Å	$\gamma = 90^\circ$ .
Volume	550.68(4) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z	2	
Density (calculated)	1.563 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	1.148 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	272	
Crystal size	0.167 x 0.113 x 0.095 mm <sup>3</sup>	
Theta range for data collection	3.805 to 68.031°.	
Index ranges	-8 <= h <= 8, -8 <= k <= 8, -14 <= l <= 13	
Reflections collected	17032	
Independent reflections	1962 [R(int) = 0.0344]	
Completeness to theta = 68.000°	97.6 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	0.1665 and 0.0631	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	



Data / restraints / parameters	1962 / 7 / 187
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.080
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0232, wR2 = 0.0612
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0232, wR2 = 0.0613
Absolute structure parameter	0.04(3)
Extinction coefficient	n/a
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.181 and -0.180 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S2.** Crystal data and structure refinement for Tor87, 6-oxocytidine (**7**), CCDC 1437716.

Report date	2014-07-02
Identification code	NF141b
Empirical formula	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>15</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>7</sub>
Molecular formula	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>13</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>6</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> O
Formula weight	277.24
Temperature	100.0 K
Wavelength	1.54178 Å
Crystal system	Orthorhombic
Space group	P 21 21 21
Unit cell dimensions	a = 7.11510(10) Å      α = 90°. b = 8.9631(2) Å      β = 90°. c = 18.7210(4) Å      γ = 90°.
Volume	1193.90(4) Å <sup>3</sup>
Z	4
Density (calculated)	1.542 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Absorption coefficient	1.161 mm <sup>-1</sup>
F(000)	584
Crystal size	0.251 x 0.153 x 0.142 mm <sup>3</sup>
Crystal color, habit	Colorless Block
Theta range for data collection	4.724 to 68.193°.
Index ranges	-8<=h<=7, -10<=k<=9, -21<=l<=22
Reflections collected	7838
Independent reflections	2168 [R(int) = 0.0216]
Completeness to theta = 68.000°	99.7 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.7530 and 0.6907
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>

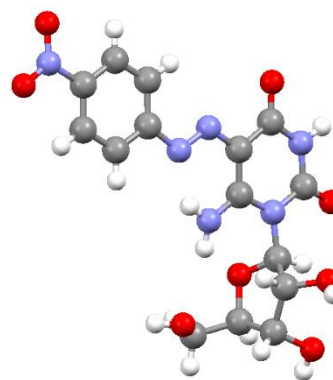




Data / restraints / parameters	2168 / 8 / 204
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.097
Final R indices [I>2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0237, wR2 = 0.0618
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0241, wR2 = 0.0620
Absolute structure parameter	0.00(6)
Extinction coefficient	n/a
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.176 and -0.165 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>

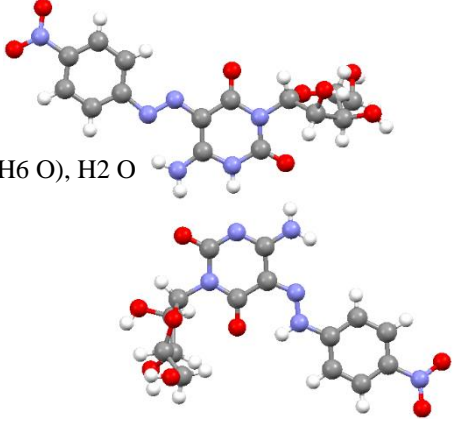
**Table S3.** Crystal data and structure refinement for Tor82, 6-amino-5-(4-nitrophenylazo) uridine (**5**), CCDC 1437715.

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Molecular formula	C15 H16 N6 O8, 2(H2 O)	
Formula weight	444.37	
Temperature	100.0 K	
Wavelength	1.54178 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P 1 21 1	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 4.9790(2) Å	α = 90°.
	b = 10.7305(4) Å	β = 96.594(2)°.
	c = 16.8422(7) Å	γ = 90°.
Volume	893.88(6) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z	2	
Density (calculated)	1.651 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	1.217 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	464	
Crystal size	0.157 x 0.035 x 0.021 mm <sup>3</sup>	
Crystal color, habit	Yellow Needle	
Theta range for data collection	2.641 to 68.853°.	
Index ranges	-5<=h<=5, -12<=k<=12, -20<=l<=20	
Reflections collected	21896	
Independent reflections	3239 [R(int) = 0.0331]	
Completeness to theta = 68.000°	99.8 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	



Max. and min. transmission	0.7531 and 0.6752
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>
Data / restraints / parameters	3239 / 11 / 320
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.047
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0242, wR2 = 0.0605
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0259, wR2 = 0.0614
Absolute structure parameter	0.06(7)
Extinction coefficient	n/a
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.209 and -0.168 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>

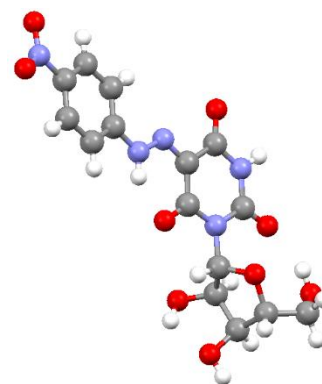
**Table S4.** Crystal data and structure refinement for Tor90, 5-(4-nitrophenylazo)-6-oxocytidine (**8**), CCDC 1437718.

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Molecular formula	2(C15 H16 N6 O8), 0.5(C2 H6 O), H2 O	
Formula weight	857.72	
Temperature	100.0 K	
Wavelength	1.54178 Å	
Crystal system	Triclinic	
Space group	P 1	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 7.7143(2) Å b = 10.5890(3) Å c = 11.4023(3) Å	
Volume	904.32(4) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z	1	
Density (calculated)	1.575 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	1.129 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	447	
Crystal size	0.113 x 0.032 x 0.021 mm <sup>3</sup>	
Crystal color, habit	Orange Needle	
Theta range for data collection	3.920 to 68.399°.	
Index ranges	-9<=h<=9, -11<=k<=12, -13<=l<=13	
Reflections collected	21045	
Independent reflections	6016 [R(int) = 0.0439]	
Completeness to theta = 68.000°	97.8 %	

Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.7531 and 0.6937
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>
Data / restraints / parameters	6016 / 91 / 590
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.035
Final R indices [I>2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.0506, wR2 = 0.1301
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0648, wR2 = 0.1402
Absolute structure parameter	0.08(13)
Extinction coefficient	n/a
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.462 and -0.260 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>

**Table S5.** Crystal data and structure refinement for Tor89Cu, 5-(4-nitrophenylhydrazono)-6-oxouridine (**9**), CCDC 1437717.

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Formula weight	409.32	
Temperature	100.0 K	
Wavelength	1.54178 Å	
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	
Space group	P 21 21 21	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 6.7215(4) Å	α = 90°.
	b = 10.5793(6) Å	β = 90°.
	c = 22.9108(14) Å	γ = 90°.
Volume	1629.16(17) Å <sup>3</sup>	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.669 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Absorption coefficient	1.218 mm <sup>-1</sup>	
F(000)	848	
Crystal size	0.083 x 0.025 x 0.025 mm <sup>3</sup>	
Crystal color, habit	Yellow Needle	
Theta range for data collection	3.859 to 69.421°.	
Index ranges	-8<=h<=8, -12<=k<=11, -27<=l<=27	
Reflections collected	19571	



Independent reflections	2981 [R(int) = 0.0556]
Completeness to theta = 68.000°	99.8 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.7001 and 0.6086
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>
Data / restraints / parameters	2981 / 5 / 282
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.048
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0419, wR2 = 0.1033
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0475, wR2 = 0.1068
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Largest diff. peak and hole	0.443 and -0.260 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>

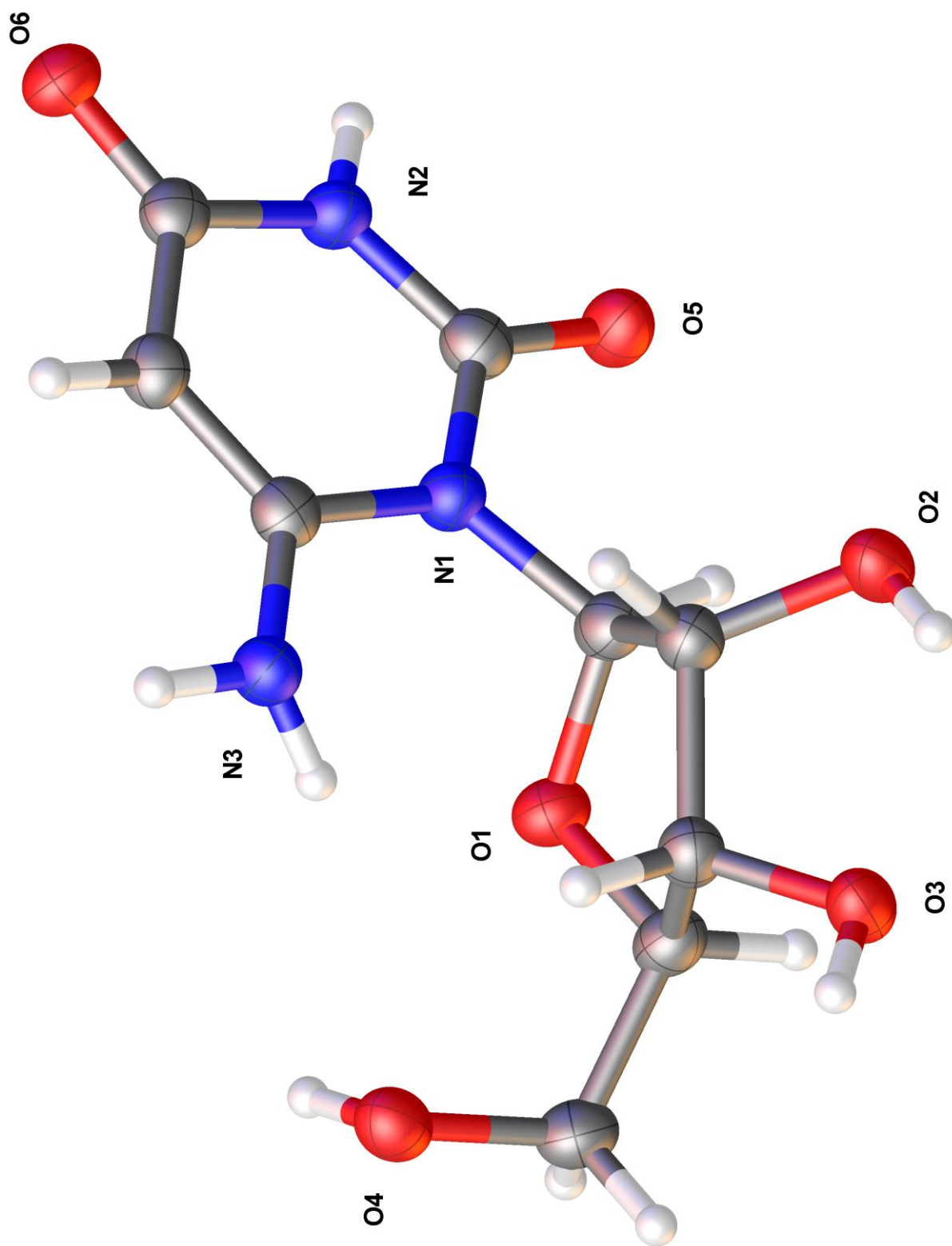
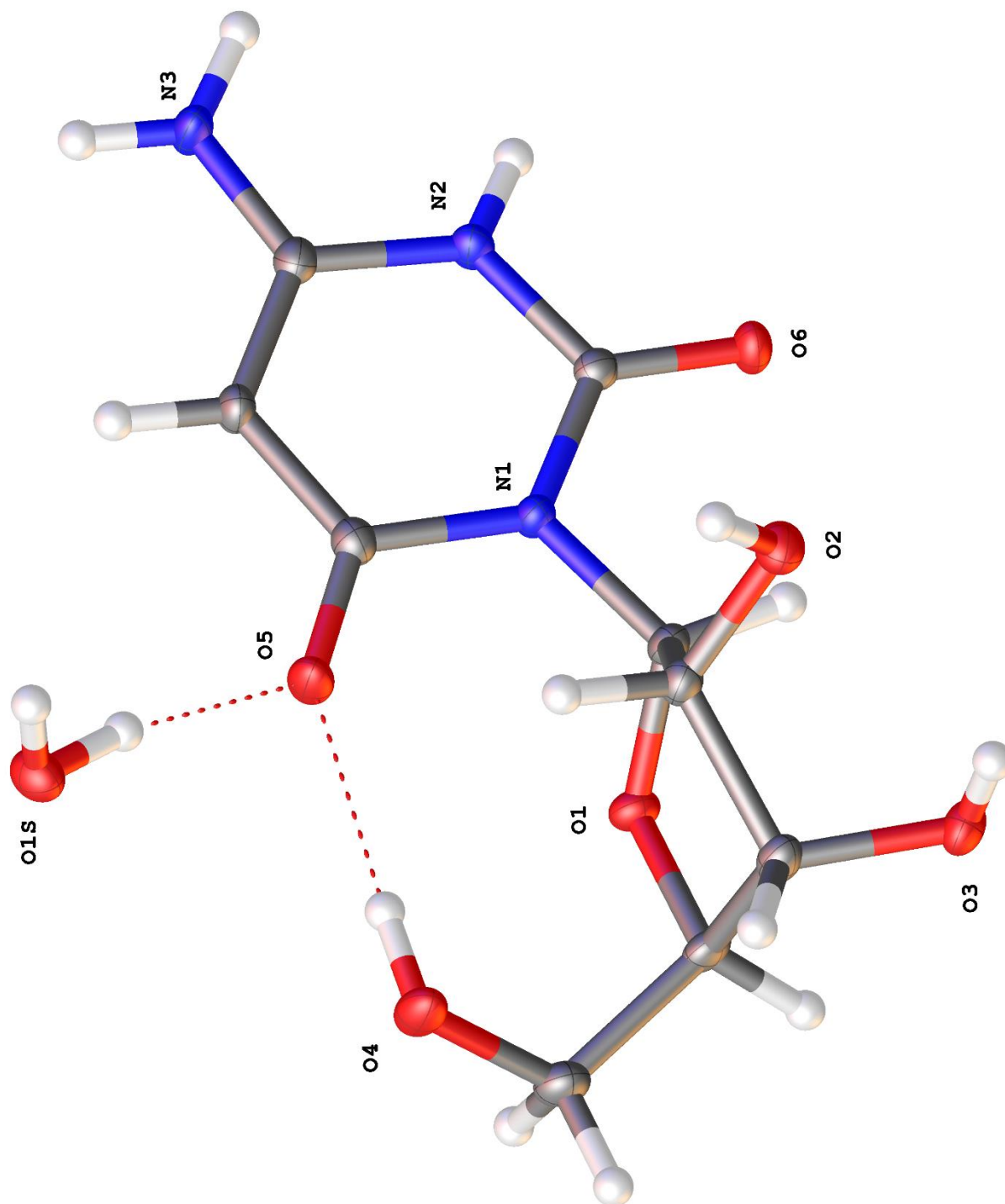
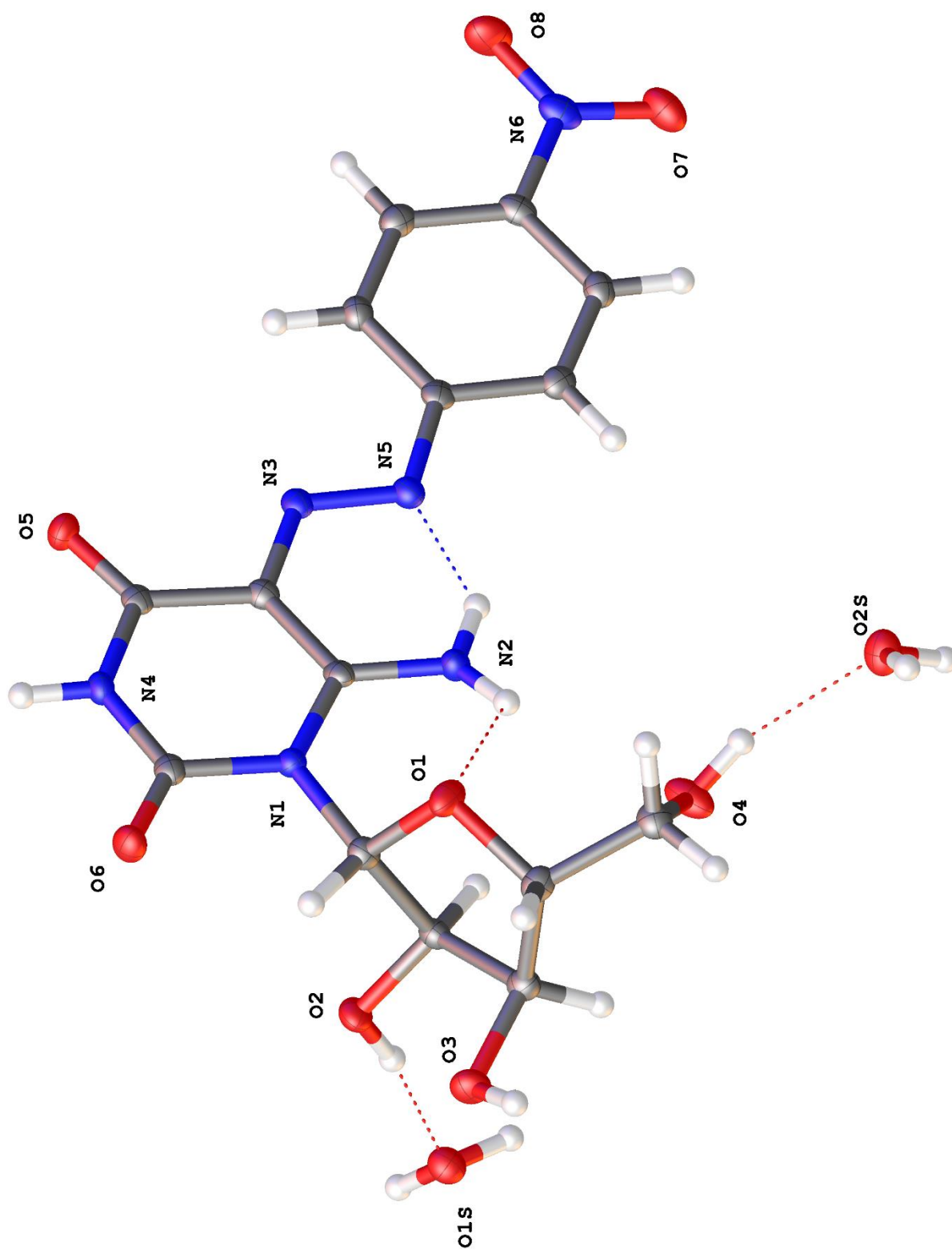


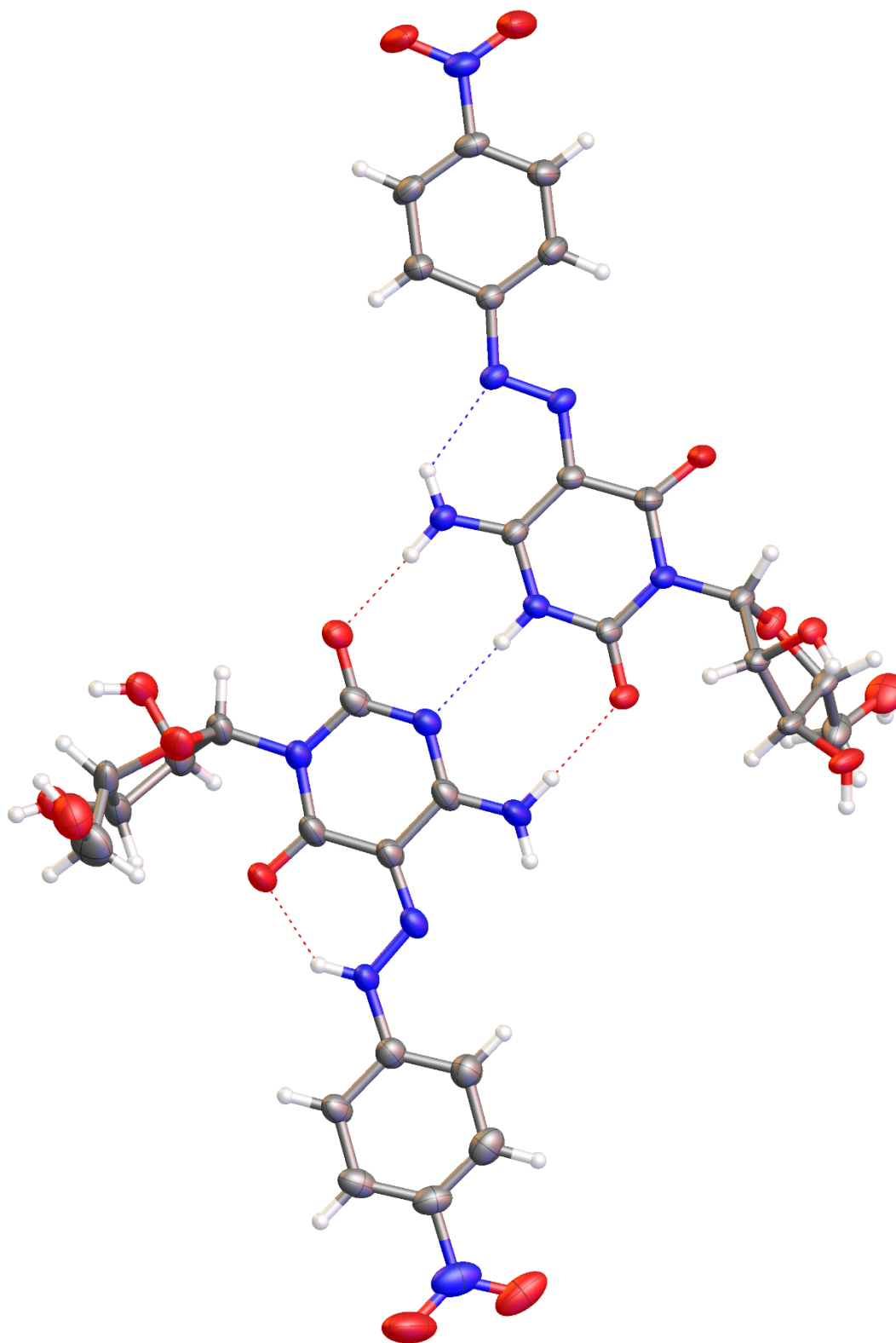
Figure S13. Crystal structure of 6-aminouridine (**4**) (Tor100, 50% contour percent probability).



**Figure S14.** Crystal structure of 6-oxocytidine (**7**) (Tor87, 50% contour percent probability).

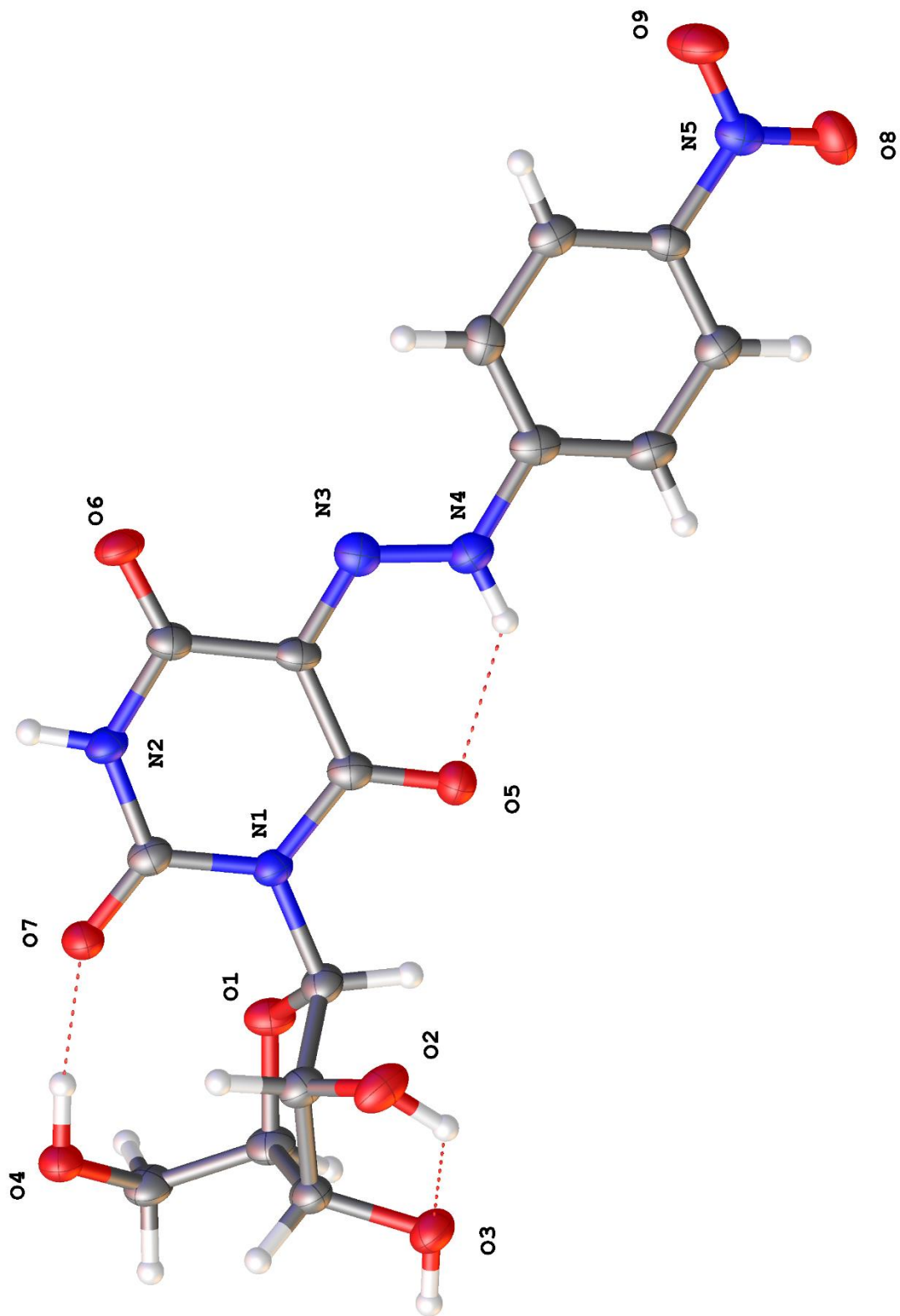


**Figure S15.** Crystal structure of 6-amino-5-(4-nitrophenylazo) uridine (**5**) (Tor82, 50% contour percent probability).

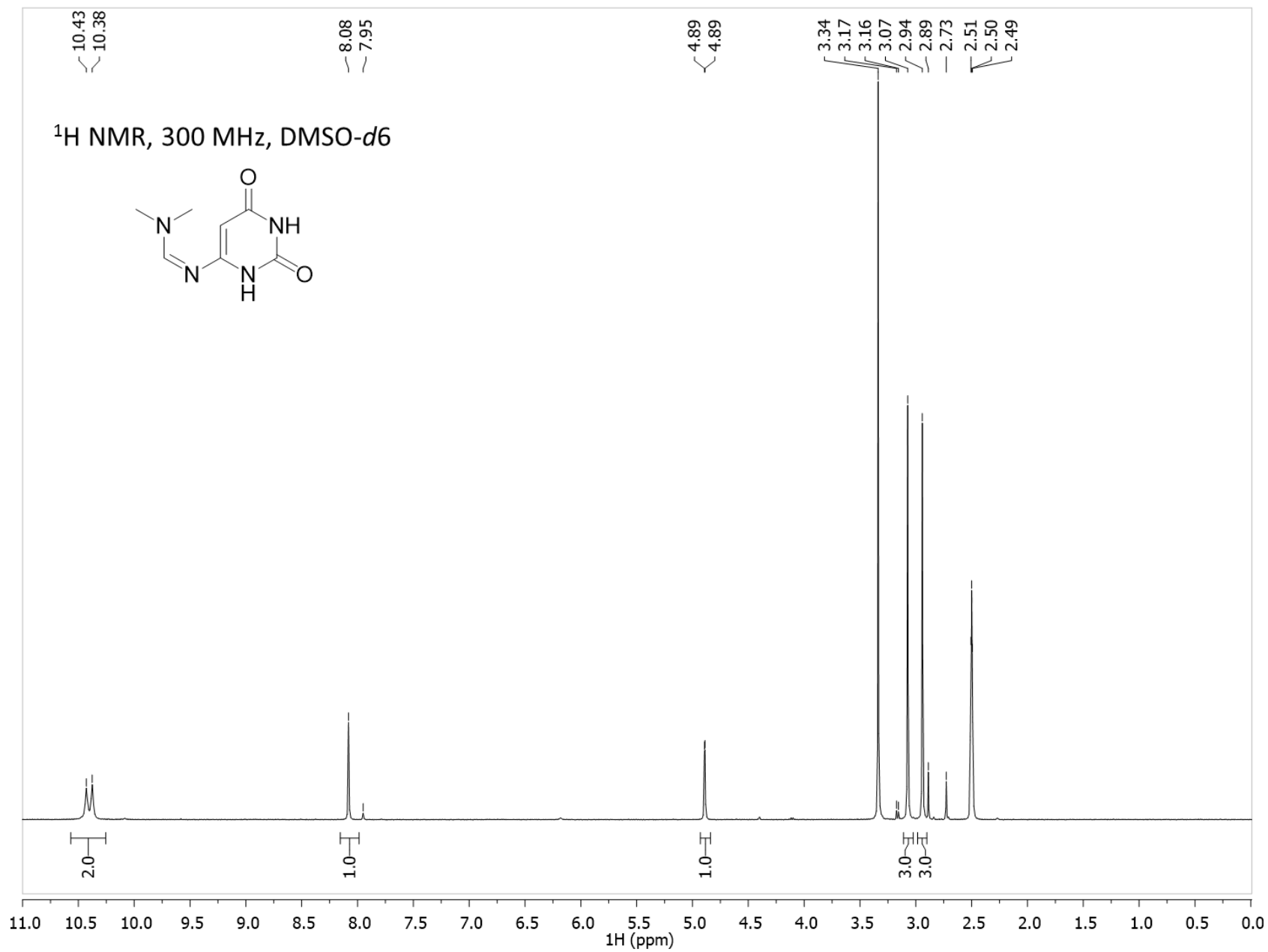


**Figure S16.** Crystal structure of 5-(4-nitrophenylazo)-6-oxocytidine (**8**) (Tor90, 50% contour percent probability).

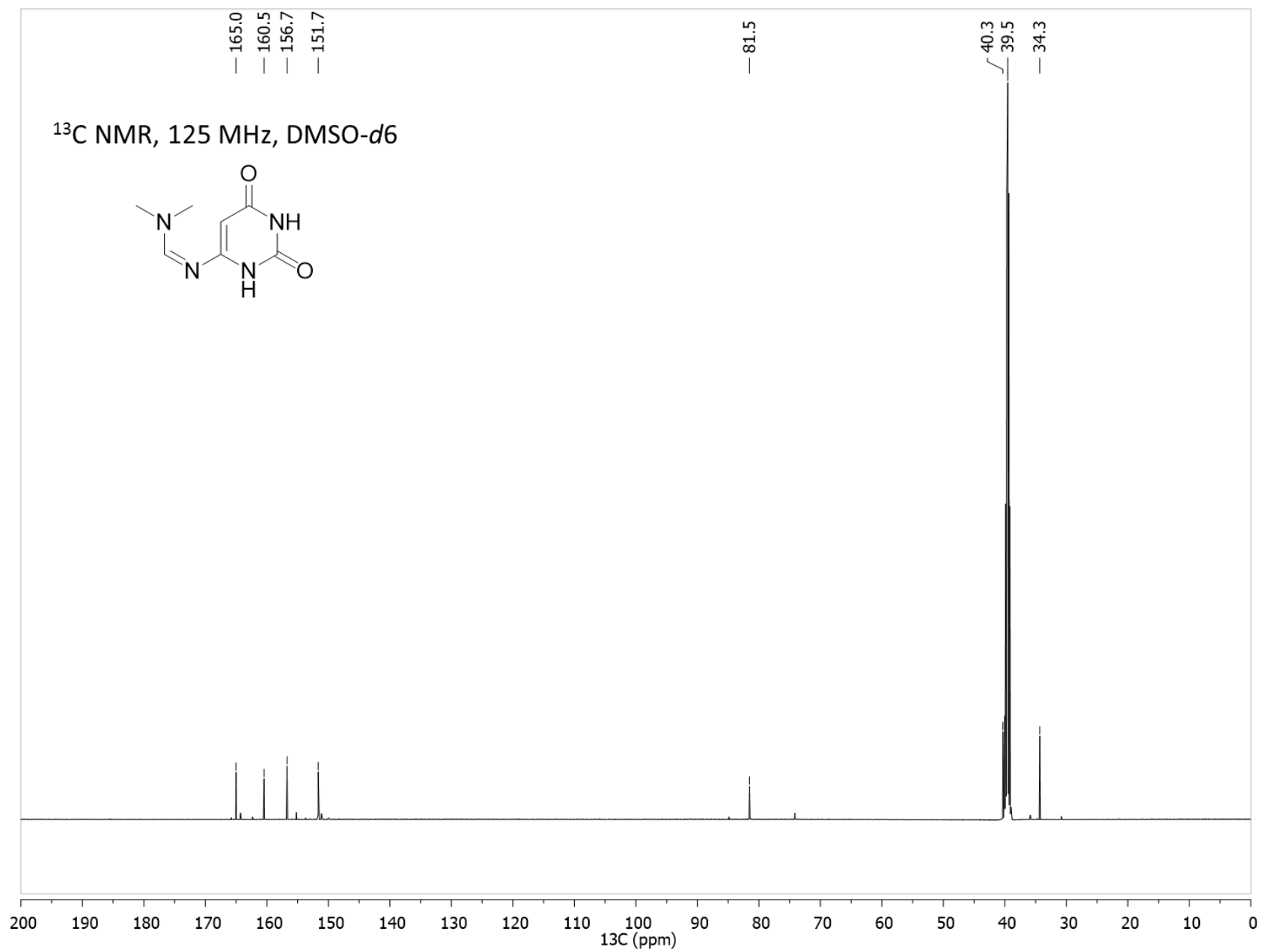




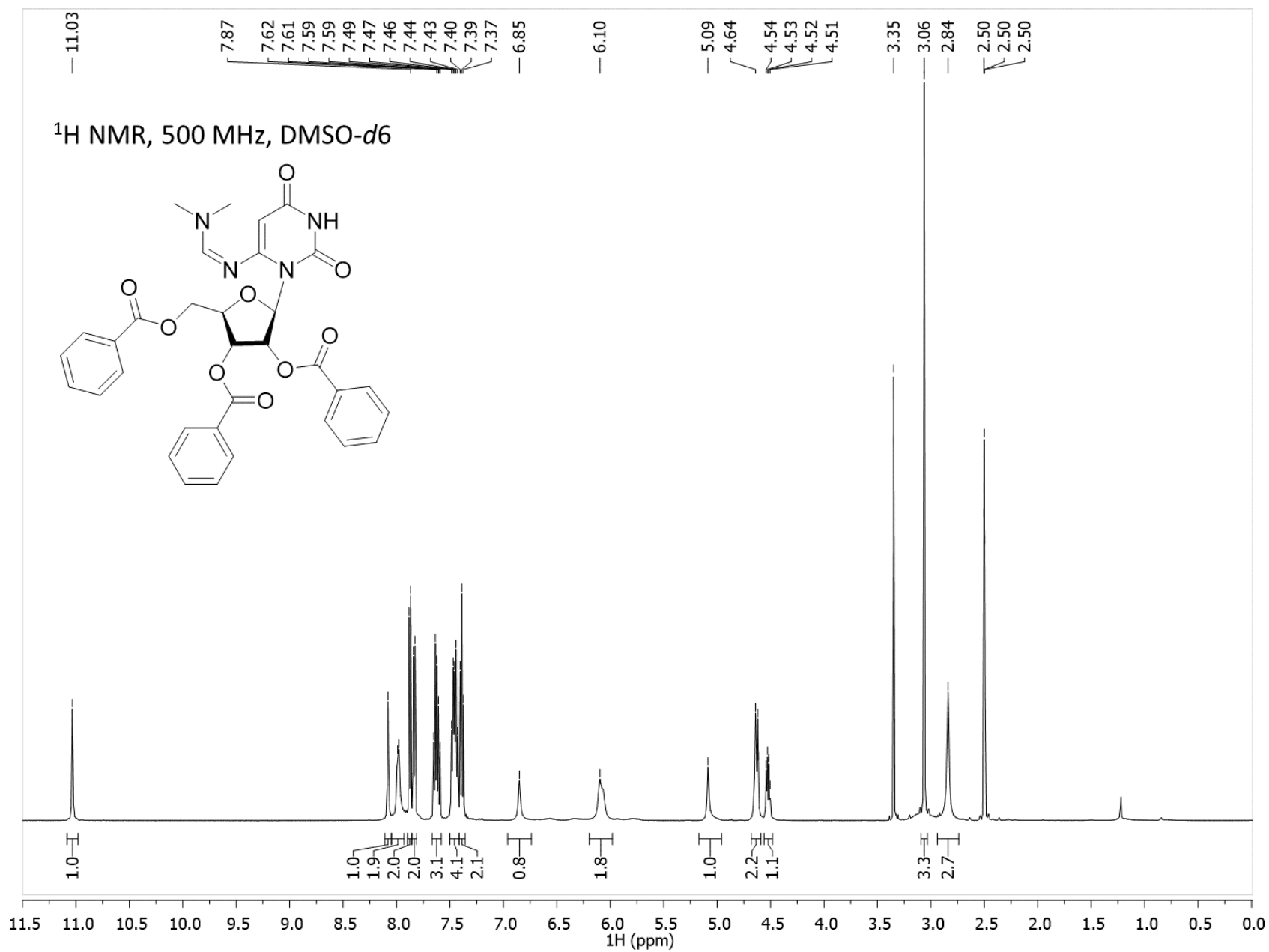
**Figure S17.** Crystal structure of 5-(4-nitrophenylhydrazono)-6-oxouridine (9) (Tor89Cu, 50% contour percent probability).



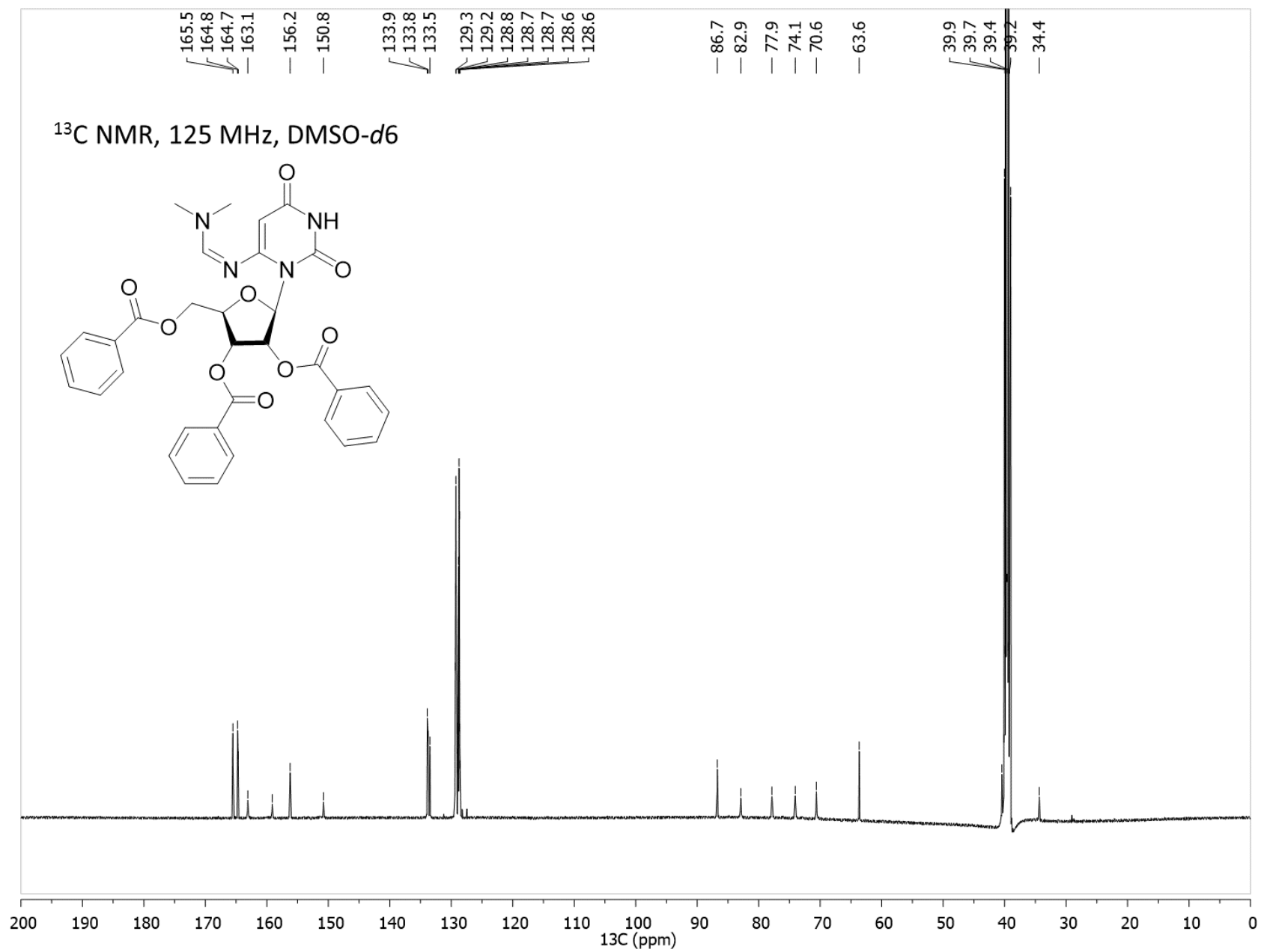
**Figure S18.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of *N*<sup>6</sup>-DMF 6-amino uracil (**2**) (traces of DMF and MeOH)



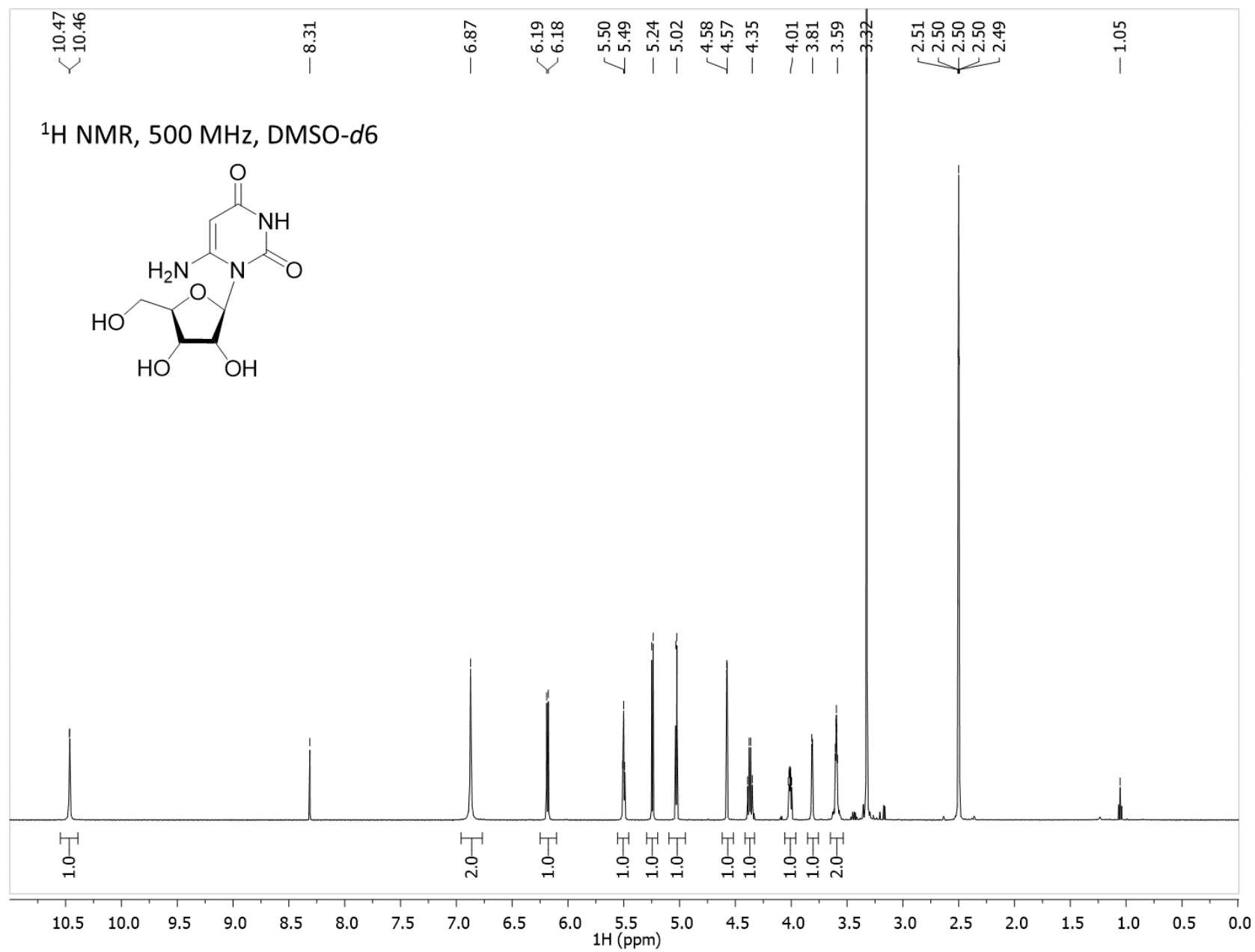
**Figure S19.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR of *N*<sup>6</sup>-DMF 6-amino uracil (**2**)



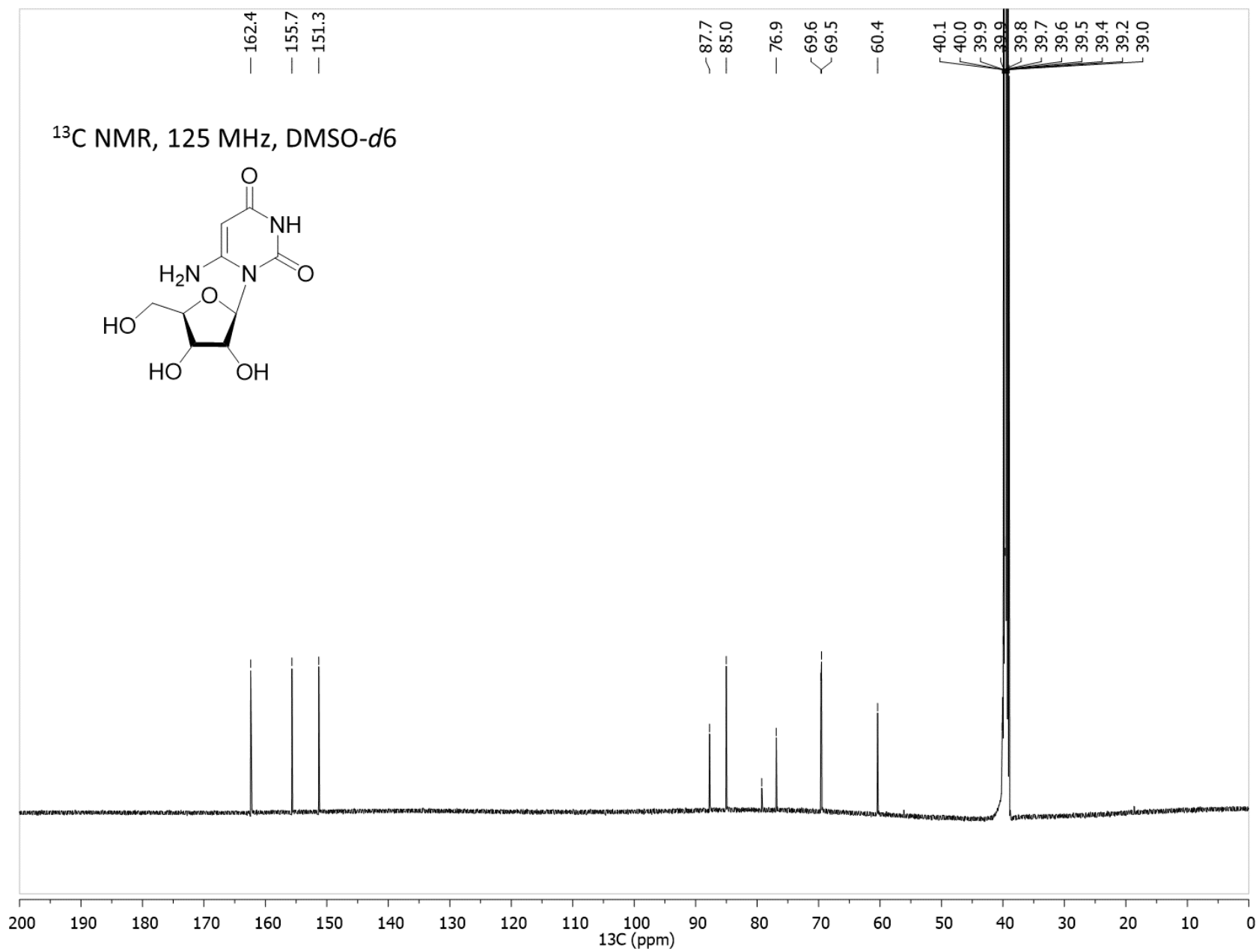
**Figure S20.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of *N*<sup>6</sup>-DMF 2',3',5'-tri-*O*-benzoyl 6-amino uridine (**3**)



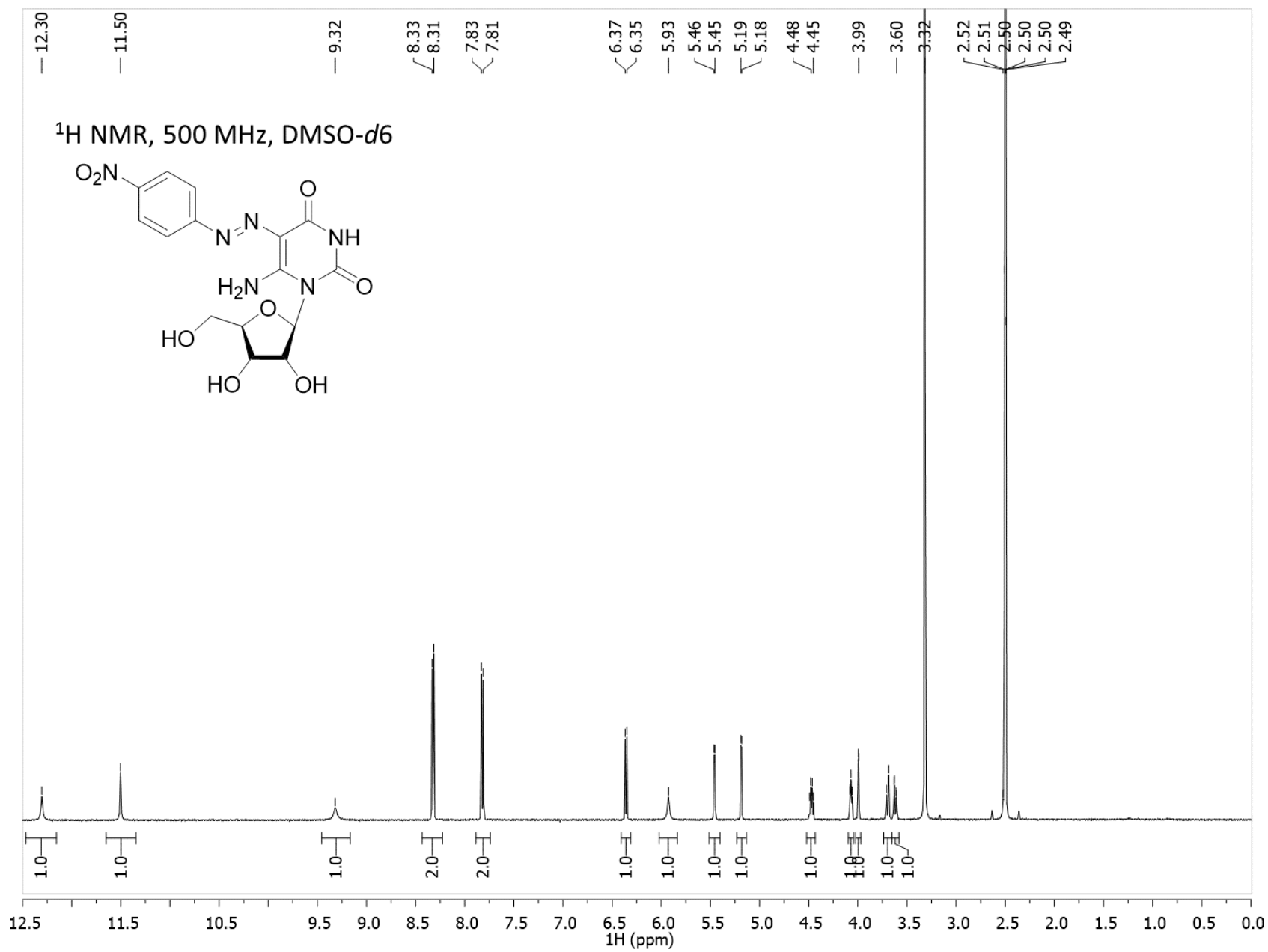
**Figure S21.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR of *N*<sup>6</sup>-DMF 2',3',5'-tri-*O*-benzoyl 6-amino uridine (**3**)



**Figure S22.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of 6-amino uridine (**4**)

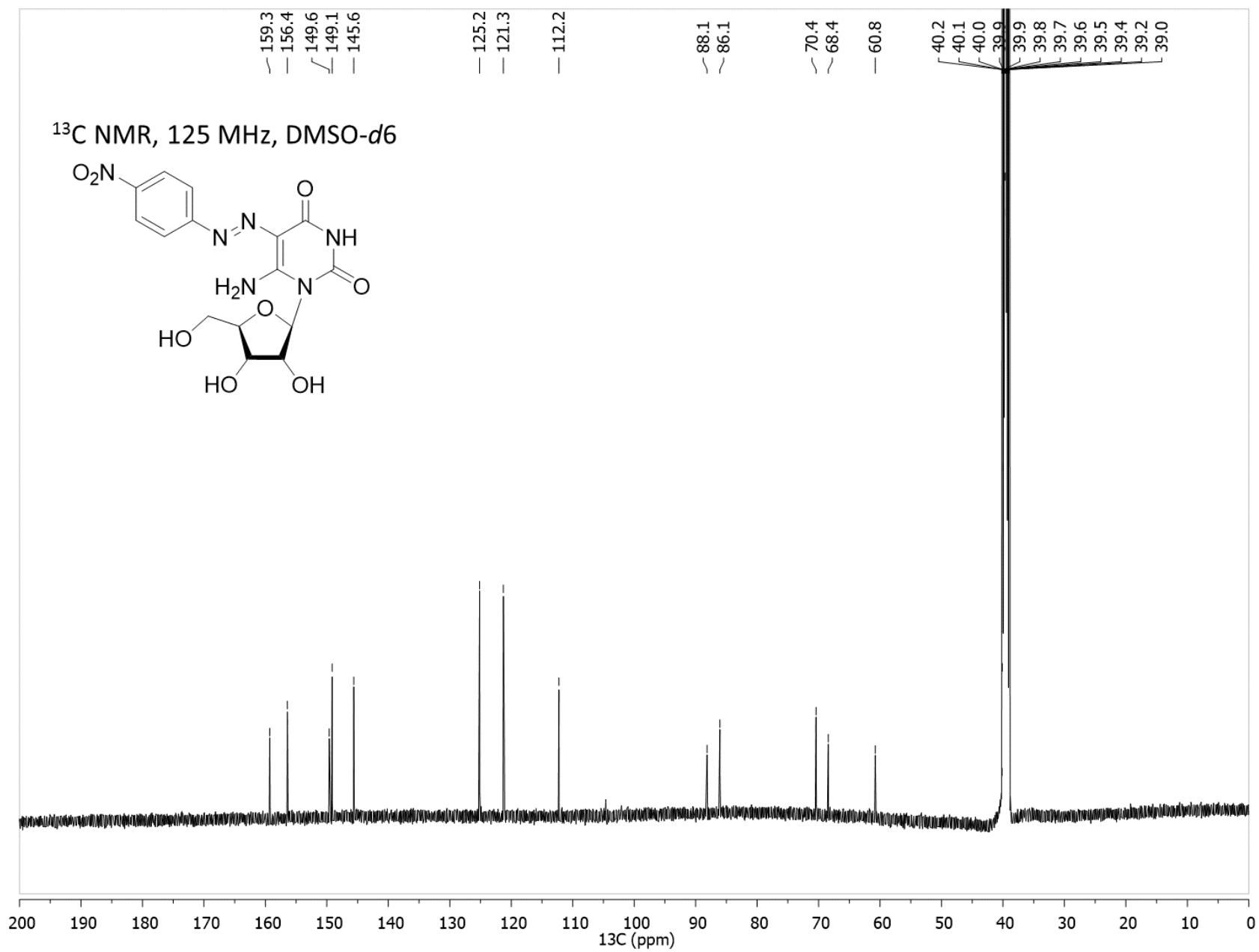


**Figure S23.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR of 6-amino uridine (**4**)

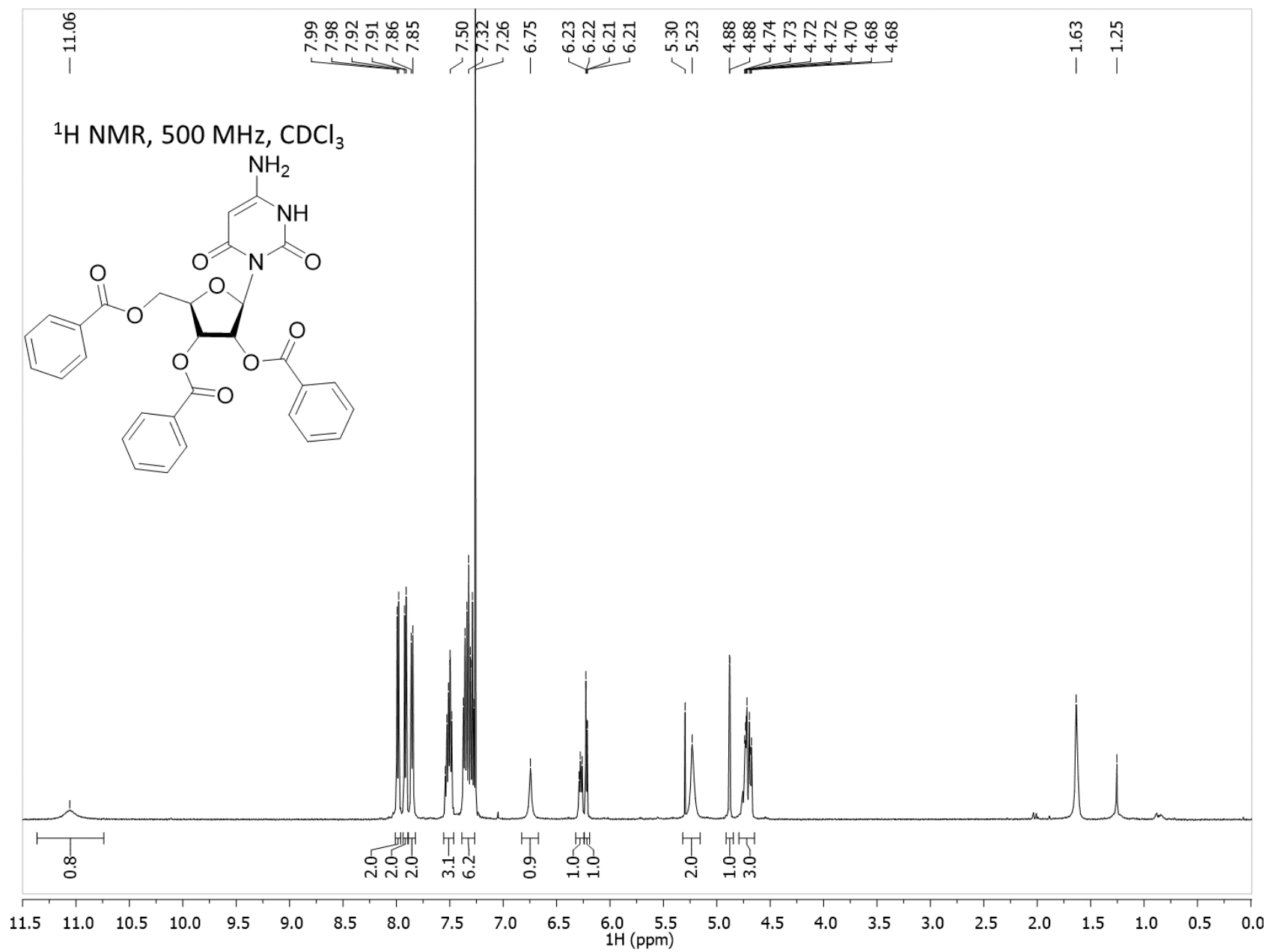


**Figure S24.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of 6-amino-5-(4-nitrophenylazo) uridine (**5**)

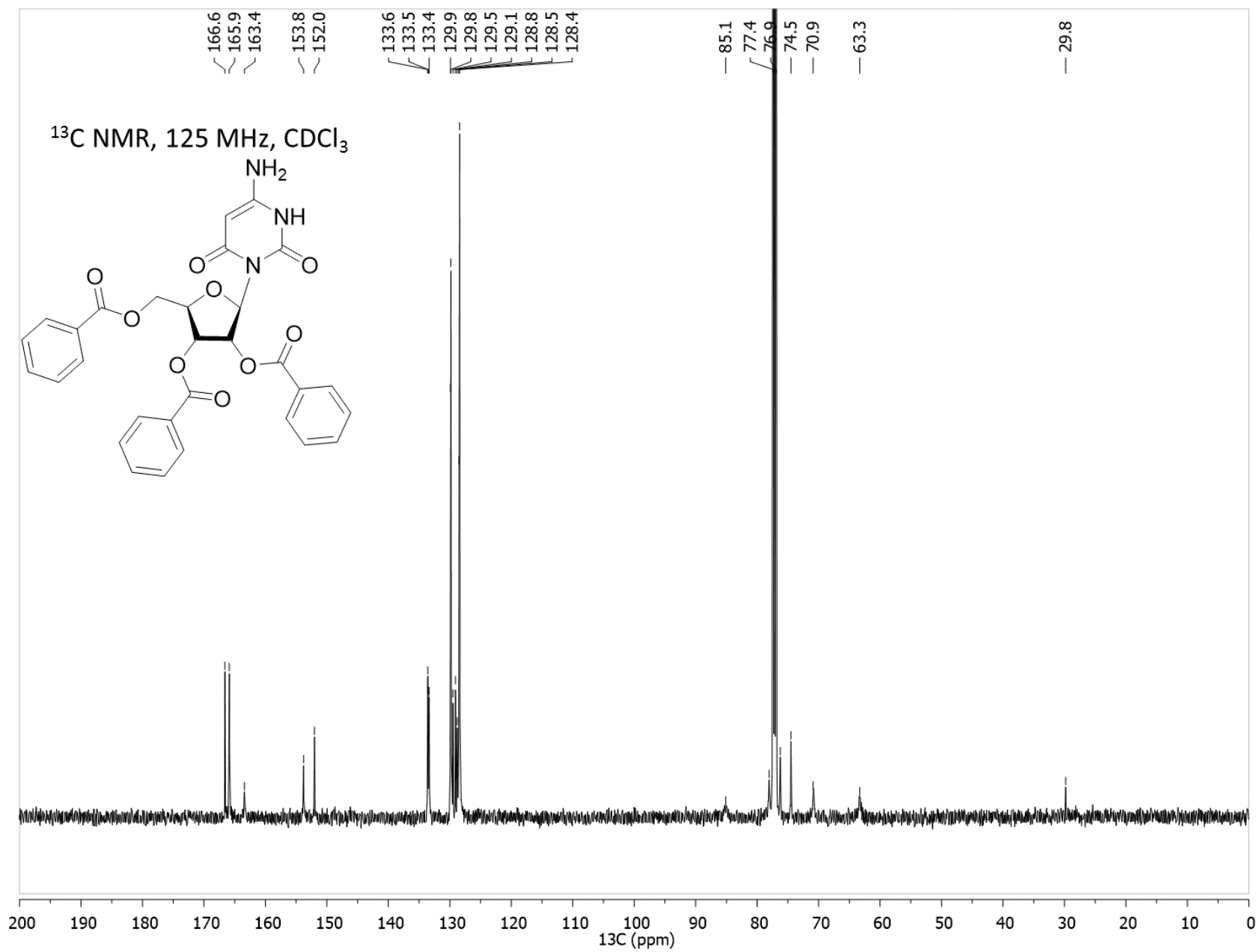




**Figure S25.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR of 6-amino-5-(4-nitrophenylazo) uridine (5)



**Figure S26.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of 2',3',5'-tri-O-benzoyl 6-oxocytidine (**6**).



**Figure S27.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR of 2',3',5'-tri-O-benzoyl 6-oxocytidine (6).



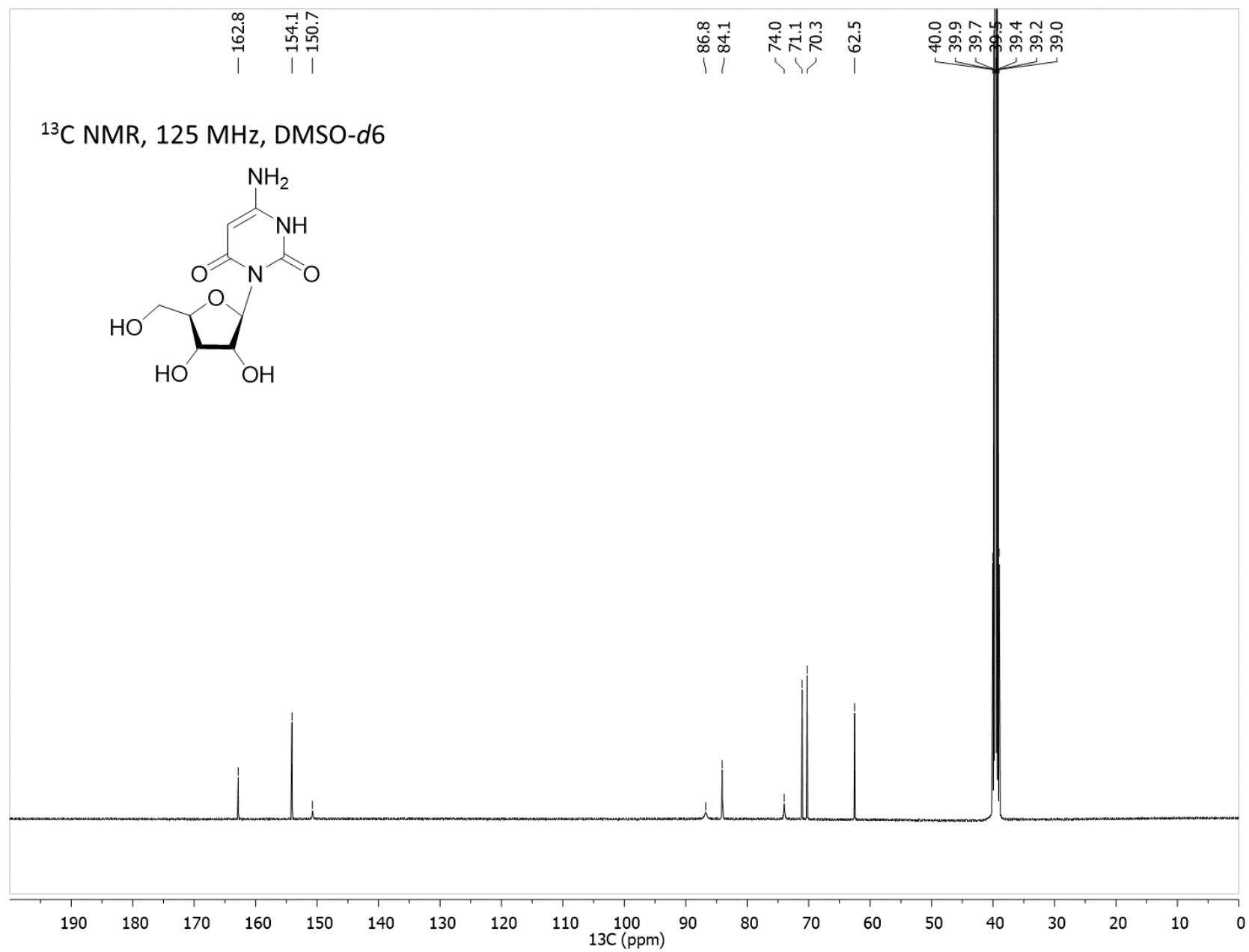
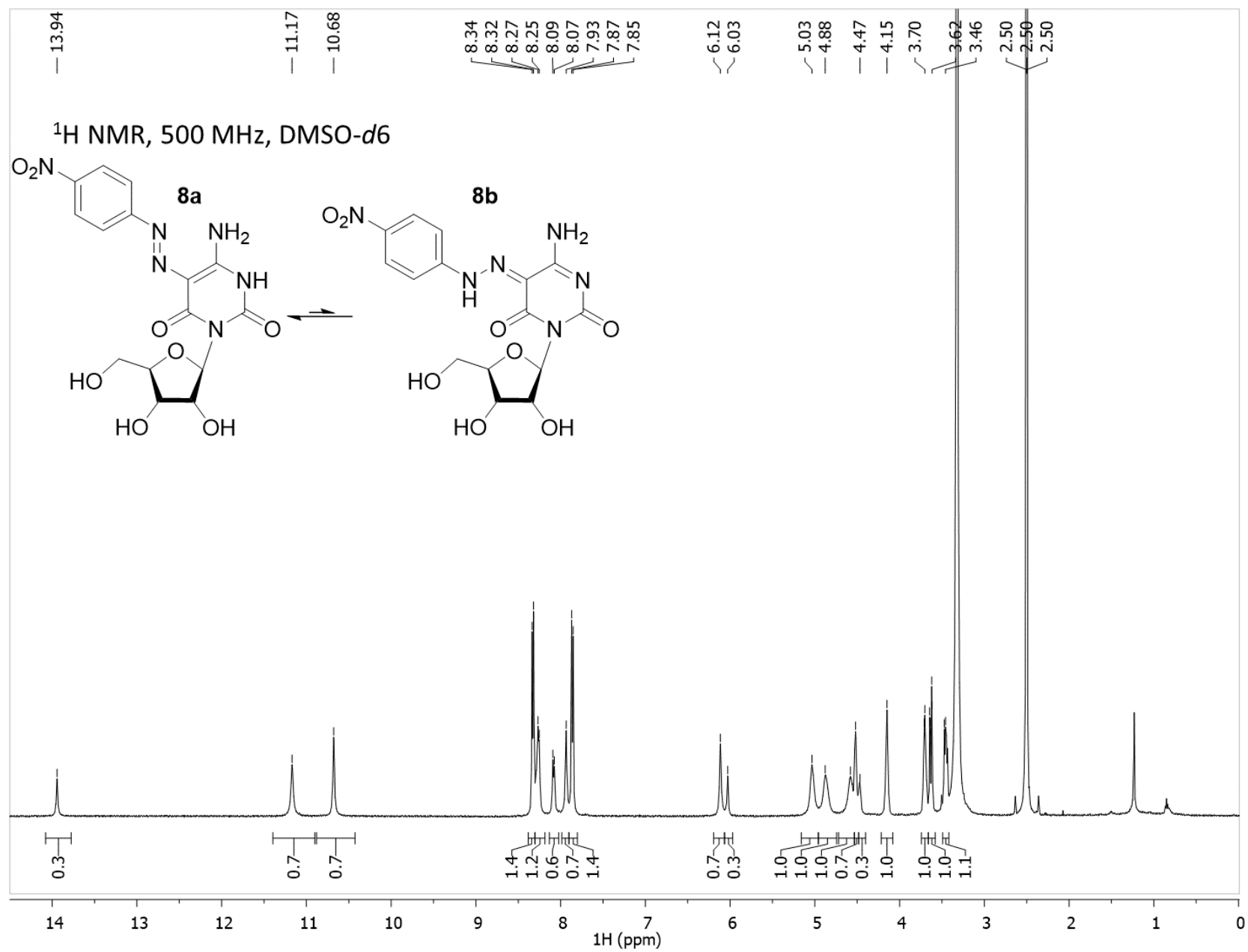
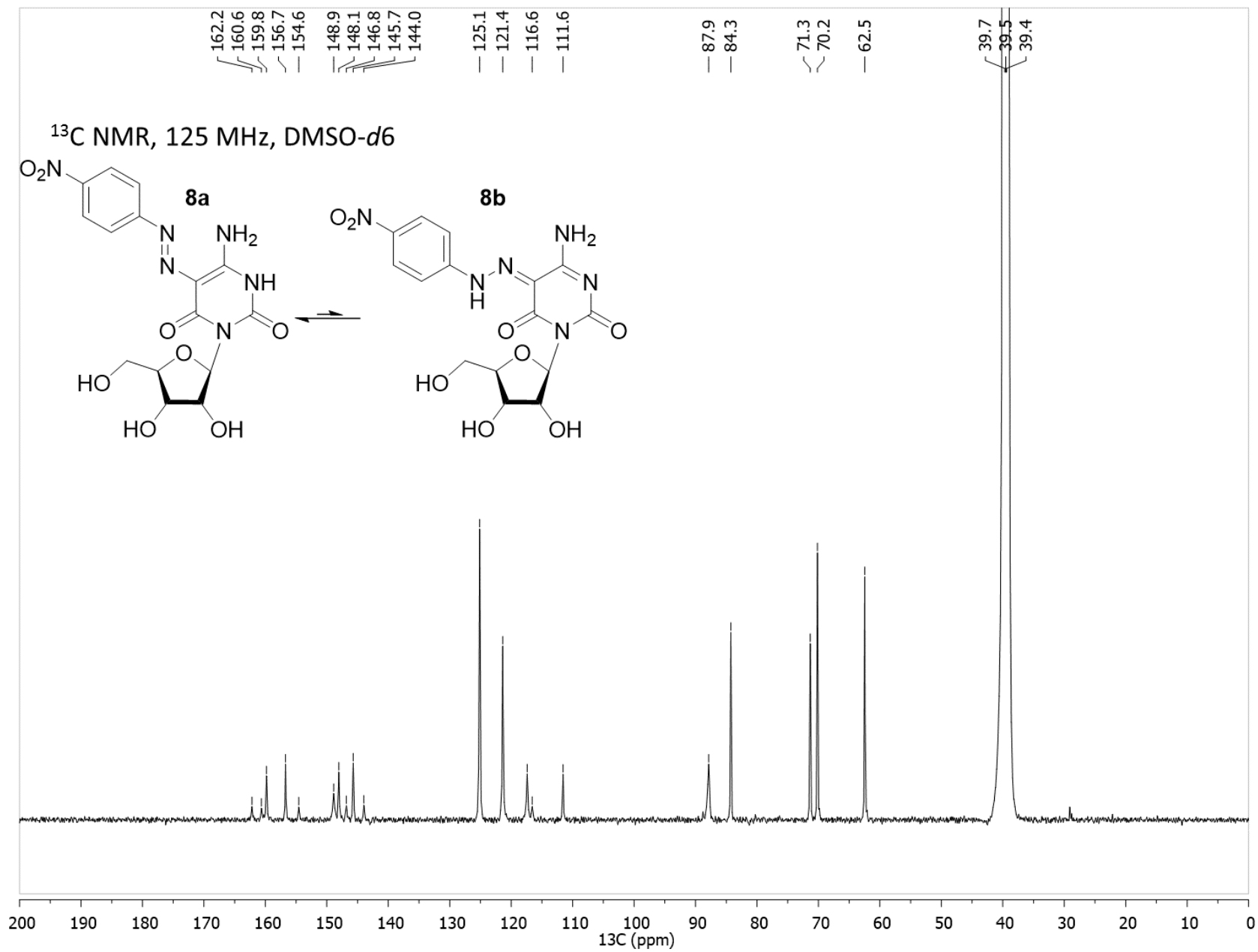


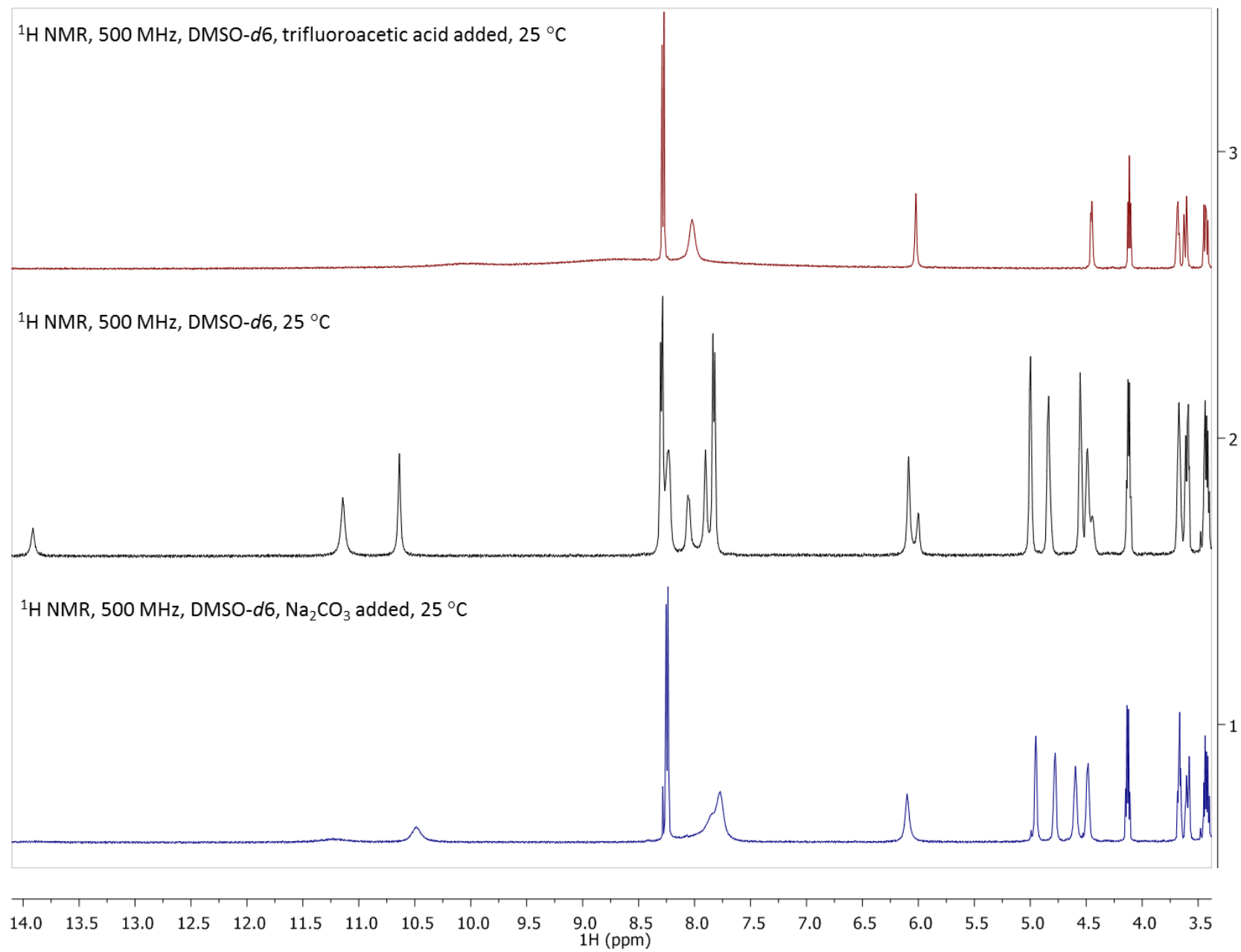
Figure S29. <sup>13</sup>C NMR of 6-oxocytidine (7)



**Figure S30.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR of 5-(4-nitrophenylazo)-6-oxocytidine (**8**)

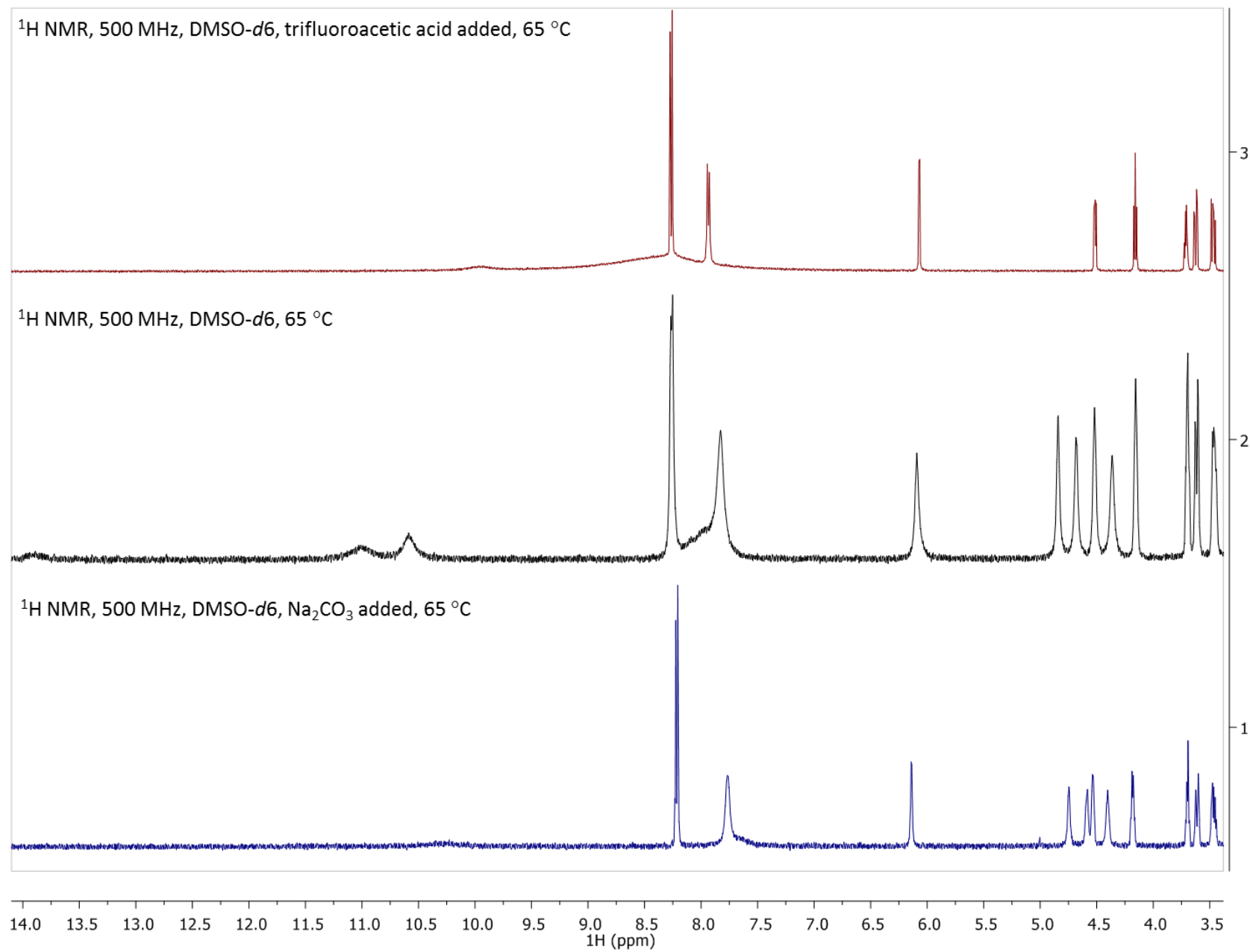


**Figure S31.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR of 5-(4-nitrophenylazo)-6-oxocytidine (**8**)



**Figure S32.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR study of 5-(4-nitrophenylazo)-6-oxocytidine (**8**),  $25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$





**Figure S33.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR study of 5-(4-nitrophenylazo)-6-oxocytidine (**8**), 65 °C