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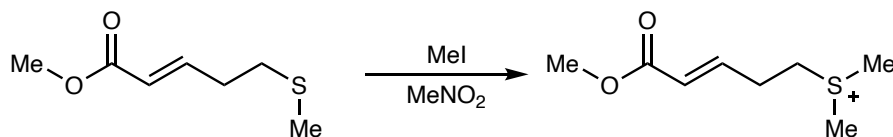
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Synthetic procedures

Methyl (*E*)-5-dimethylsulfonio-pent-2-enoate



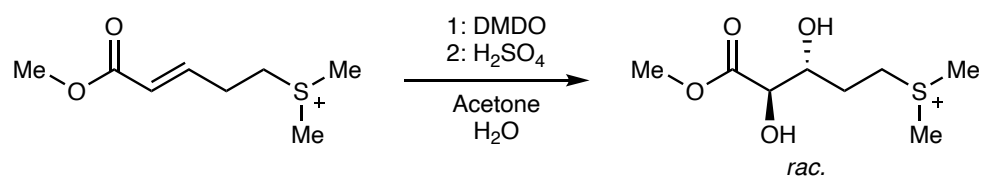
Iodomethane (713.6 mg, 5 mmol, 2.5 eq.) was added to a solution of methyl (*E*)-5-(methylthio)pent-2-enoate (321.0 mg, 2 mmol, 1 eq., obtained from Enamine Ltd., Kiev, Ukraine, product EN300-4784758) dissolved in 2.7 mL nitromethane and the resulting mixture stirred at room temperature for 20 h. Subsequently, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by preparative HPLC to remove the iodide counterion using a Phenomenex Synergi Fusion-RP C₁₈ column (80-4, 250 × 21.2) and an elution gradient [solvent A: H₂O + 0.1% TFA, solvent B: CH₃CN 83%, 0% B for 10 min, from 0% to 100% B in 35 min; flow rate: 15 mL min⁻¹]. Through this, we obtained 523.3 mg of methyl (*E*)-5-(dimethylsulfonio)pent-2-enoate as TFA salt (89%, colourless oil). To check for iodide, 4.5 mg of the obtained product was dissolved in 0.5 mL of H₂O, and 0.1 mL of a AgNO₃ solution (0.1016 N) was added. A slight precipitate formed which fully dissolved when concentrated NH₄ solution was added, indicating that no residual iodide was present in the sample.

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 6.93 (dt, *J* = 15.8, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 6.09 (dt, *J* = 15.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.46 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.94 (s, 6H), 2.78 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 167.7, 144.3, 125.2, 52.2, 42.8, 27.3, 25.2.

HRMS: Calculated for C₈H₁₅O₂S, ([M]⁺): 175.0787; found: 175.0786.

Methyl *anti*-2,3-dihydroxy-5-dimethylsulfonio-pentanoate



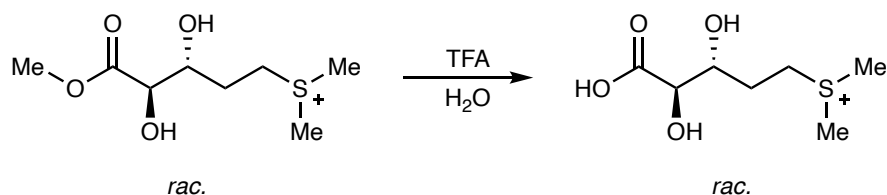
Dimethyldioxirane (DMDO) was prepared according to a known procedure⁴⁵ and obtained with a concentration of 50 mM. 4.8 mL of this DMDO solution (17.8 mg, 0.24 mmol, 2.2 eq) in acetone were added to 4.8 mL of an aqueous solution of the TFA salt of methyl (*E*)-5-(dimethylsulfonio)pent-2-enoate (32.6 mg, 0.11 mmol, 1 eq) and the resulting solution stirred for 16 h at room temperature. Subsequently 0.5 mL of H₂SO₄ (1 M) were added, followed by removal of the solvent under reduced pressure at 50 °C. The obtained residue was purified via preparative HPLC using a Nucleodur PolarTec 100-5 C₁₈ column (250 × 10 mm, Macherey-Nagel) with H₂O + 0.1% TFA as mobile phase at a flow rate of 4 mL min⁻¹. After removal of the solvent *in vacuo* we obtained 12.3 mg (34%, colourless oil) of methyl *anti*-2,3-dihydroxy-5-dimethylsulfonio-pentanoate as racemic TFA salt.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 4.13 (d, *J* = 5.2, 1H), 3.93 (m, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.51–3.33 (m, 2H), 2.91 (s, 3H), 2.89 (s, 3H), 2.14–1.95 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (76 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 174.2, 75.6, 72.3, 52.6, 42.5, 27.8, 25.9, 25.4.

HRMS: Calculated for C₈H₁₇O₄S, ([M]⁺): 209.0842; found, 209.0841.

***anti*-Gonydiol (*rac-anti-5*)**



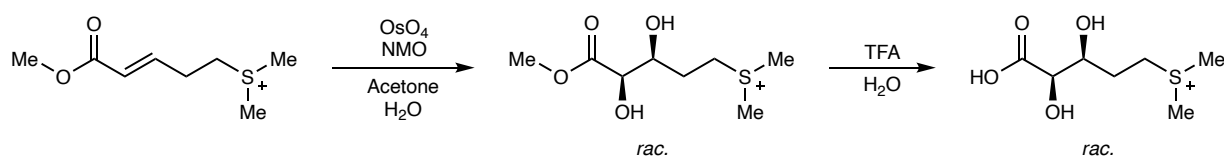
Methyl *anti*-2,3-dihydroxy-5-dimethylsulfonio-pentanoate (TFA salt, 6.1 mg, 0.019 mmol) was dissolved in 1.3 mL of H₂O, 0.78 mL of TFA were added, and the resulting solution was heated to 80 °C with stirring for 16 h. Subsequently the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue purified via preparative HPLC using a Nucleodur PolarTec 100-5 C₁₈ column (250 × 10 mm, Macherey-Nagel) with H₂O + 0.1% TFA as mobile phase at a flow rate of 4 mL min⁻¹. After concentration of the pure fraction *in vacuo* we obtained 4.8 mg of the TFA salt of *anti-5* (81%, colourless oil) in its racemic form.

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 4.16 (d, *J* = 4.4, 1H), 3.98 (m, 1H), 3.48–3.37 (m, 2H), 2.91 (s, 3H), 2.89 (s, 3H), 2.13–2.0 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 175.3, 75.3, 72.3, 42.6, 27.4, 25.9, 25.4.

HRMS: Calculated for C₇H₁₅O₄S, ([M+H]⁺): 195.0686; found: 195.0686.

syn-Gonydiol (*rac*-*syn*-5)



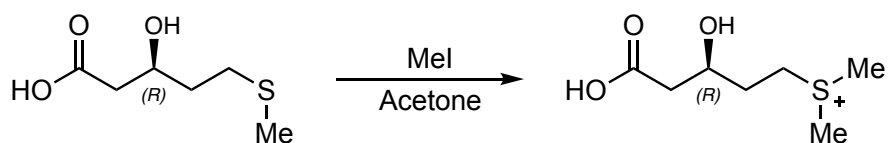
Methyl (*E*)-5-(methylthio)pent-2-enoate (TFA salt, 23,8 mg, 0.083 mmol, 1 eq.) was dissolved in a mixture of acetone/H₂O (7:3, 0.2 mL), 0.024 mL of an *N*-methylmorpholine-*N*-oxide (NMO) solution (470 mg mL⁻¹, 11.3 mg, 0.097 mmol, 1.2 eq.), and 2.5 μL of an OsO₄ solution (4% in H₂O, 100 μg, 393 nmol, 0.5 mol-%) were added and the solution stirred for 16 h at room temperature. After quenching with 20 mg of Na₂SO₃ the aqueous solution was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 2 mL) and the solvent removed under reduced pressure. Purification by preparative HPLC using a Nucleodur PolarTec 100-5 C₁₈ column (250 × 10 mm, Macherey-Nagel) with H₂O + 0.1% TFA as mobile phase at a flow rate of 5 mL min⁻¹ yielded 18 mg of the TFA salt of methyl *syn*-2,3-dihydroxy-5-(dimethylsulfonio)pentanoate (colourless oil) in a semipure form. Methyl *syn*-2,3-dihydroxy-5-(dimethylsulfonio)pentanoate (TFA salt, 12.4 mg, 0.038 mmol) was then dissolved in 2.6 mL of H₂O, 1.6 mL of TFA were added and the resulting solution heated to 80 °C with stirring for 4 h. Subsequently the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue purified via preparative HPLC with a SeQuant ZIC-HILIC column (200-5, 250 × 10, Merck) [solvent A: 98% H₂O, 2% CH₃CN + 0.1% FA, pH 2.7 solvent B: 10% H₂O, 90% CH₃CN, 5 mM NH₄OAc isocratic conditions: 71% B; flow rate: 5 mL min⁻¹]. After concentration under reduced pressure, the compound was converted to its TFA salt by repeatedly (3 ×) redissolving it in 1 mL of 1% TFA and subsequent removal of the solvent *in vacuo*. Through this we obtained 9.3 mg of the TFA salt of racemic *syn*-5 as colourless oil (53% over two steps).

¹H NMR (600 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 4.07 (d, *J* = 2.9, 1H), 4.04 (m, 1H), 3.48–3.37 (m, 2H), 2.91 (s, 3H), 2.90 (s, 3H), 2.16–2.06 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 175.9, 74.7, 72.0, 42.6, 29.0, 25.9, 25.4.

HRMS: Calculated for C₇H₁₅O₄S, ([M+H]⁺): 195.0686; found: 195.0685.

***R*-Gonyol (*R*-4)**



(*R*)-3-Hydroxy-5-(methylthio)pentanoic acid (117 mg, 0.713 mmol, 1 eq.) as obtained from Enamine Ltd. (Kiev, Ukraine, product EN300-1807922, 98% *ee* according to the manufacturer's specifications) was dissolved in 1.2 mL of acetone and 0.356 mL of iodomethane (2 M solution in *tert*-butyl methyl ether, 0.712 mmol, 0.99 eq) were added, and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 17 h. After thorough removal of the solvent under reduced pressure the obtained residue was purified by preparative HPLC using a Phenomenex Synergi Fusion-RP C₁₈ column (80-4, 250 × 21.2) with H₂O + 0.1% TFA as mobile phase at a flow rate of 15 mL min⁻¹ to obtain 118 mg of *R*-4 (57%, colourless oil) as TFA salt. To check for iodide, 4 mg of the obtained product was dissolved in 0.5 mL of H₂O and 0.1 mL of a AgNO₃ solution (0.1016 N) was added. No precipitate formed indicating that no residual iodide was present in the sample.

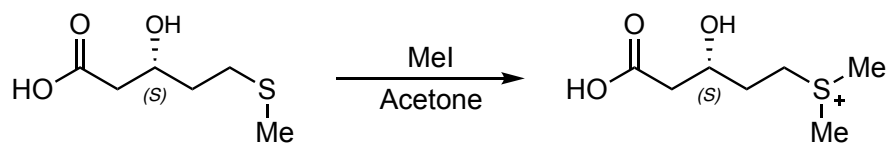
$[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{23} = -2.6$ ($c = 0.32$, MeOH);

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 4.12 (m, 1H), 3.49–3.33 (m, 2H), 2.91 (s, 3H), 2.90 (s, 3H), 2.51 (d, $J = 6.4$, 2H), 2.10 (m, 1H), 1.93 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (76 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 174.6, 67.7, 42.6, 42.3, 31.7, 25.8, 25.5.

HRMS: Calculated for C₇H₁₅O₃S, ([M+H]⁺): 179.0736; found: 179.0735.

***S*-Gonyol (*S*-4)**



(*S*)-3-Hydroxy-5-(methylthio)pentanoic acid (111 mg, 0.676 mmol, 1 eq.) as obtained from Enamine Ltd. (Kiev, Ukraine, product EN300-1807923, 100% *ee* according to the manufacturer's specifications) was dissolved in 1.1 mL of acetone and 0.338 mL of iodomethane (2 M solution in *tert*-butyl methyl ether, 0.676 mmol, 1 eq) were added and the resulting solution stirred at room temperature for 17 h. After removal of the solvent under reduced pressure the obtained residue was purified by preparative HPLC using a Phenomenex Synergi Fusion-RP C₁₈ column (80-4, 250 × 21.2) with H₂O + 0.1% TFA as mobile phase at a flow rate of 15 mL min⁻¹ to obtain 29 mg of *S*-4 (15%, colourless oil) as TFA salt. To check for iodide, 4 mg of the obtained product was dissolved in 0.5 mL of H₂O and 0.1 mL of a AgNO₃ solution (0.1016 N) was added. No precipitate formed indicating that no residual iodide was present in the sample.

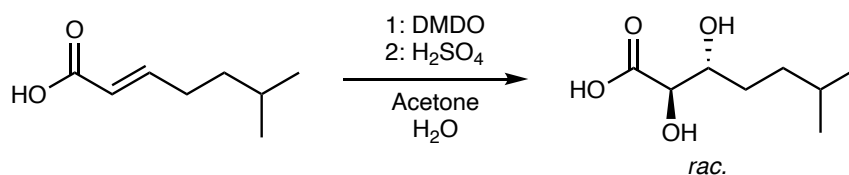
$[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{23} = +3.5$ ($c = 0.24$, MeOH);

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 4.12 (m, 1H), 3.49–3.33 (m, 2H), 2.91 (s, 3H), 2.90 (s, 3H), 2.51 (d, $J = 6.4$, 2H), 2.10 (m, 1H), 1.93 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (76 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 174.8, 67.7, 42.7, 42.3, 31.7, 25.8, 25.5.

HRMS: Calculated for C₇H₁₅O₃S, ([M+H]⁺): 179.0736; found: 179,0736

Carba-gonydiol (**12**, *anti*-2,3-dihydroxy-6-methylheptanoic acid)



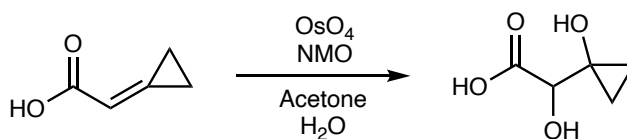
DMDO was prepared according to a known procedure⁴⁵ and obtained at a concentration of 74 mM. 18 mL of this DMDO solution (98.7 mg, 1.33 mmol, 2.1 eq) in acetone were added to (*E*)-6-methylhept-2-enoic acid (89 mg, 0.626 mmol, 1 eq., obtained from Enamine Ltd., Kiev, Ukraine, product EN300-7641056) in 4 mL acetone and the resulting solution stirred for 21 h at room temperature. Subsequently 20 mL of H₂SO₄ (0.1 M) were added followed by removal of the solvent under reduced pressure at 50 °C. The obtained residue was redissolved in 5 mL of H₂SO₄ (0.1 M) and extracted with EtOAc (3 ×). The organic phase was removed under reduced pressure followed by purification by preparative HPLC using a Phenomenex Synergi Fusion-RP C₁₈ column (80-4, 250 × 21.2) with an elution gradient [solvent A: H₂O + 0.1% TFA, solvent B: CH₃CN 83%, 0% B for 5 min, from 0% to 100% B in 25 min; flow rate: 15 mL min⁻¹]. Through this 14.9 mg of **12** (14%) as racemate was obtained as white solid.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃CN): δ 4.04 (d, *J* = 4.6, 1H), 3.69 (m, 1H), 1.54 (m, 1H), 1.48 (m, 2H), 1.42–1.33 (m, 2H), 0.89 (d, *J* = 3.1, 3H), 0.87 (d, *J* = 3.1, 3H).

¹³C NMR (76 MHz, CD₃CN): δ 174.0, 74.7, 73.8, 35.5, 30.7, 28.7, 23.0, 22.6.

HRMS: Calculated for C₈H₁₅O₄, ([M–H]⁻): 175.0976; found: 175.0974.

rac-Trigonic acid (6)



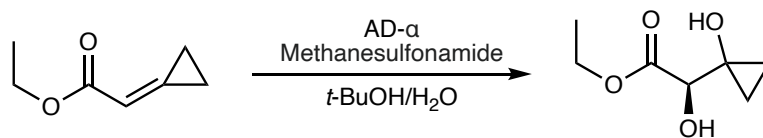
2-Cyclopropylideneacetic acid (397 mg, 4 mmol, 1 eq, obtained from Enamine Ltd., Kiev, Ukraine, product EN300-96997) was dissolved in a mixture of 3 mL acetone/H₂O (7:3), *N*-methylmorpholine-*N*-oxide (549.4 mg, 4.7 mmol, 1.2 eq.) and 80 μL of an OsO₄ solution (4% in H₂O, 3.2 mg, 12.6 μmol, 0.3 mol-%) were added and the solution stirred for 20 h at room temperature. After quenching by addition of 520 mg of Na₂SO₃ (dissolved in 3 mL of H₂O) the aqueous solution was acidified with 15 mL HCl and extracted with EtOAc (4 ×) followed by removal of the solvent under reduced pressure. Purification via preparative HPLC using a Phenomenex Synergi Fusion-RP C₁₈ column (80-4, 250 × 21.2) with an elution gradient [solvent A: H₂O + 0.1% TFA, solvent B: CH₃CN 83%, 0% B for 5 min, from 0% to 100% B in 25 min; flow rate: 15 mL min⁻¹] yielded 196 mg of racemic **6** (37%, white solid).

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃CN): δ 3.67 (s, 1H), 0.86–0.60 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (76 MHz, CD₃CN): δ 174.1, 76.1, 57.7, 12.4, 12.2.

HRMS: Calculated for C₅H₇O₄, ([M–H]⁻): 131.0350; found: 131.0348.

Ethyl *R*-2-hydroxy-2-(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)acetate



AD-mix- α (609 mg) was dissolved in 5 mL of a mixture of tert-butanol and H₂O (1:1), 41.5 mg of methanesulfonamide were added and the resulting biphasic solution cooled to 0 °C. Subsequently, ethyl 2-cyclopropylideneacetate (53.5 mg, 0.424 mmol, obtained from Enamine Ltd., Kiev, Ukraine, product EN300-105471) was added, and the mixture was stirred for 16 h at 0 °C. The reaction was quenched by addition of 262 mg of Na₂SO₃ and stirring for 30 min while warming to room temperature followed by extraction with EtOAc (3 \times). The obtained organic phase was washed with brine (2 \times), dried over Na₂SO₄ and the solvent removed under reduced pressure. Purification via preparative HPLC using a Phenomenex Synergi Fusion-RP C₁₈ column (80-4, 250 \times 21.2) with an elution gradient [solvent A: H₂O + 0.1% TFA, solvent B: CH₃CN 83%, 0% B for 5 min, from 0% to 100% B in 25 min; flow rate: 15 mL min⁻¹] yielded 9.2 mg (14%, colourless oil) of ethyl *R*-2-hydroxy-2-(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)acetate with an *ee* of 82% as determined after hydrolysis (see below).

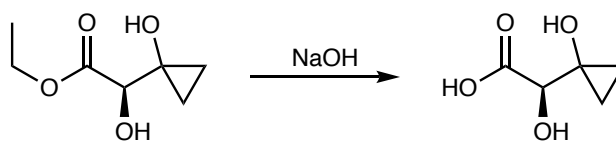
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¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃CN): δ 4.20 (q, $J = 7.3$, 2H), 3.65 (s, 1H), 2.17 (br s, 2H), 1.26 (t, $J = 7.3$, 3H), 0.84–0.59 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (76 MHz, CD₃CN): δ 174.8, 67.7, 42.7, 42.3, 31.7, 25.8, 25.5.

HRMS: Calculated for C₇H₁₃O₄, ([M+H]⁺): 161.0814; found: 161.0813.

***R*-Trigonic acid (*R*-6)**



Ethyl (*R*)-2-hydroxy-2-(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)acetate (27.1 mg, 0.169 mmol) was dissolved in 2 mL NaOH (0.2 M) and stirred for 4 h at room temperature. The reaction mixture was washed with EtOAc and the remaining aqueous phase acidified by addition of 10 mL of HCl (1 M) followed by extraction with EtOAc (4 ×) and drying over Na₂SO₄. Purification by preparative HPLC using a Phenomenex Synergi Fusion-RP C₁₈ column (80-4, 250 × 21.2) with an elution gradient [solvent A: H₂O + 0.1% TFA, solvent B: CH₃CN 83%, 0% B for 5 min, from 0% to 100% B in 25 min; flow rate: 15 mL min⁻¹] yielded 2.8 mg (13%, white solid) of *R*-6. The enantiomeric excess of the *R*-enantiomer over the *S*-enantiomer was determined by means of chiral LC-HRMS to be 82%.

$[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = -46.5$ ($c = 0.47$, MeOH);

¹H NMR: see above.

¹³C NMR: see above.

HRMS: Calculated for C₅H₇O₄, ([M-H]⁻): 131.0350; found: 131.0350.

Distinct crystallization parameters

BurG (holo) (PDB ID 7PCC): 0.1 M Bicine (pH 9.0), 20% PEG 8K; 2 mM NAD⁺, 5 mM MgCl₂

BurG (apo) (PDB ID 7PCE): 0.1 M Na/K phosphate (pH 6.2), 0.2 M NaCl, 50% PEG 200

BurG:7 (PDB ID 7PCG): 0.1 M Tris (pH 8.5), 20% PEG 10K; 2 mM NAD⁺, 5 mM MgCl₂, 2 mM **7**

BurG:8 (PDB ID 7PCI): 0.05 M imidazole (pH 8.0), 20% PEG 6K, 2 mM NAD⁺, 5 mM MgCl₂, 2 mM **8**

BurG:11 (PDB ID 7PCL): 0.1 M Tris (pH 8.5), 20% PEG 10KJ; 2 mM NADH, 5 mM MgCl₂, 2 mM **10** (obtained from Enamine Ltd., Kiev, Ukraine, product EN300-124480)

BurG:13 (PDB ID 7PCM): 0.1 M Tris (pH 8.5), 0.8 M LiCl, 8% PEG 4K; 2 mM NAD⁺, 5 mM MgCl₂, 2 mM **12**

BurG:14 / BurG:6 (PDB ID 7PCN): 0.1 M imidazole (pH 8.0), 10% PEG 8K, 2 mM NAD⁺, 5 mM MgCl₂, 2 mM **5**

BurG-E232Q:12 (PDB ID 7PCO): 0.1 M Na acetate, 0.05 M Mg acetate, 10% PEG 8K, 2 mM NAD⁺, 5 mM MgCl₂, 2 mM **12**

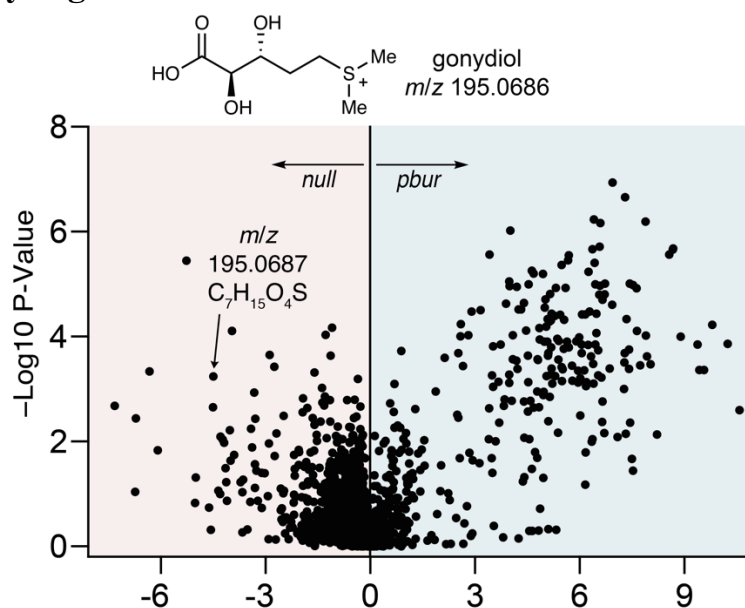
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Nucleotide sequence of synthetic *burG E232Q*

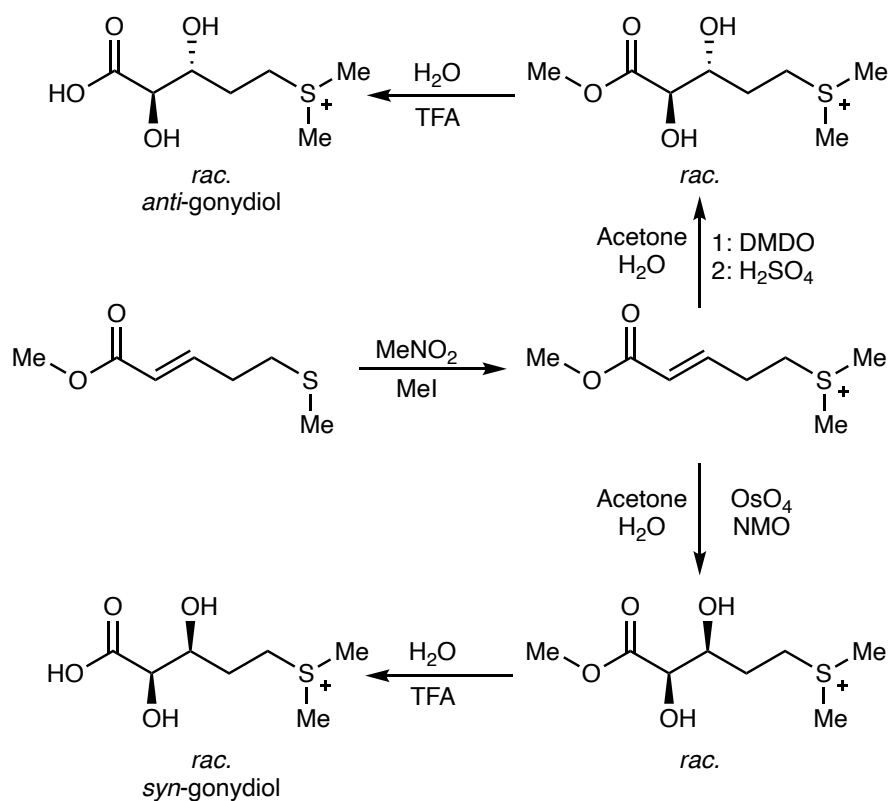
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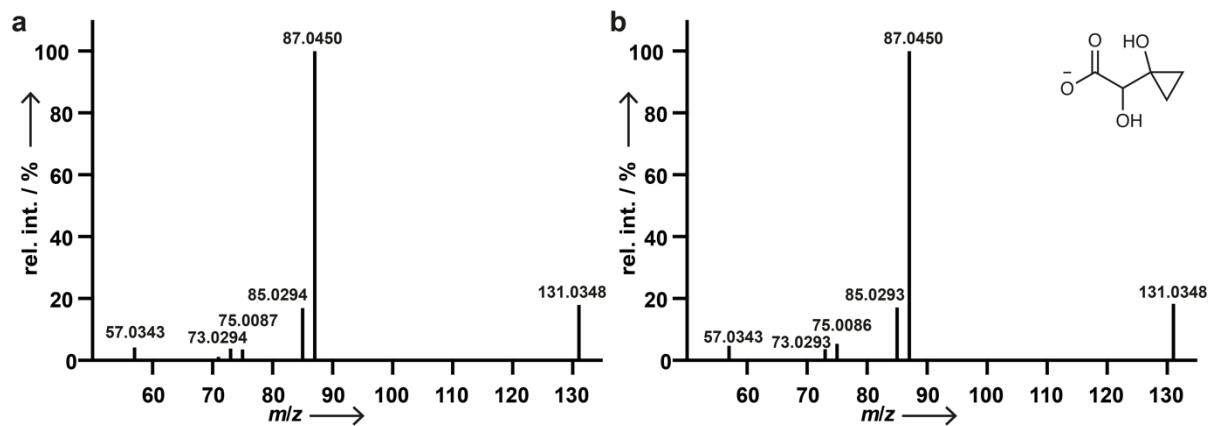
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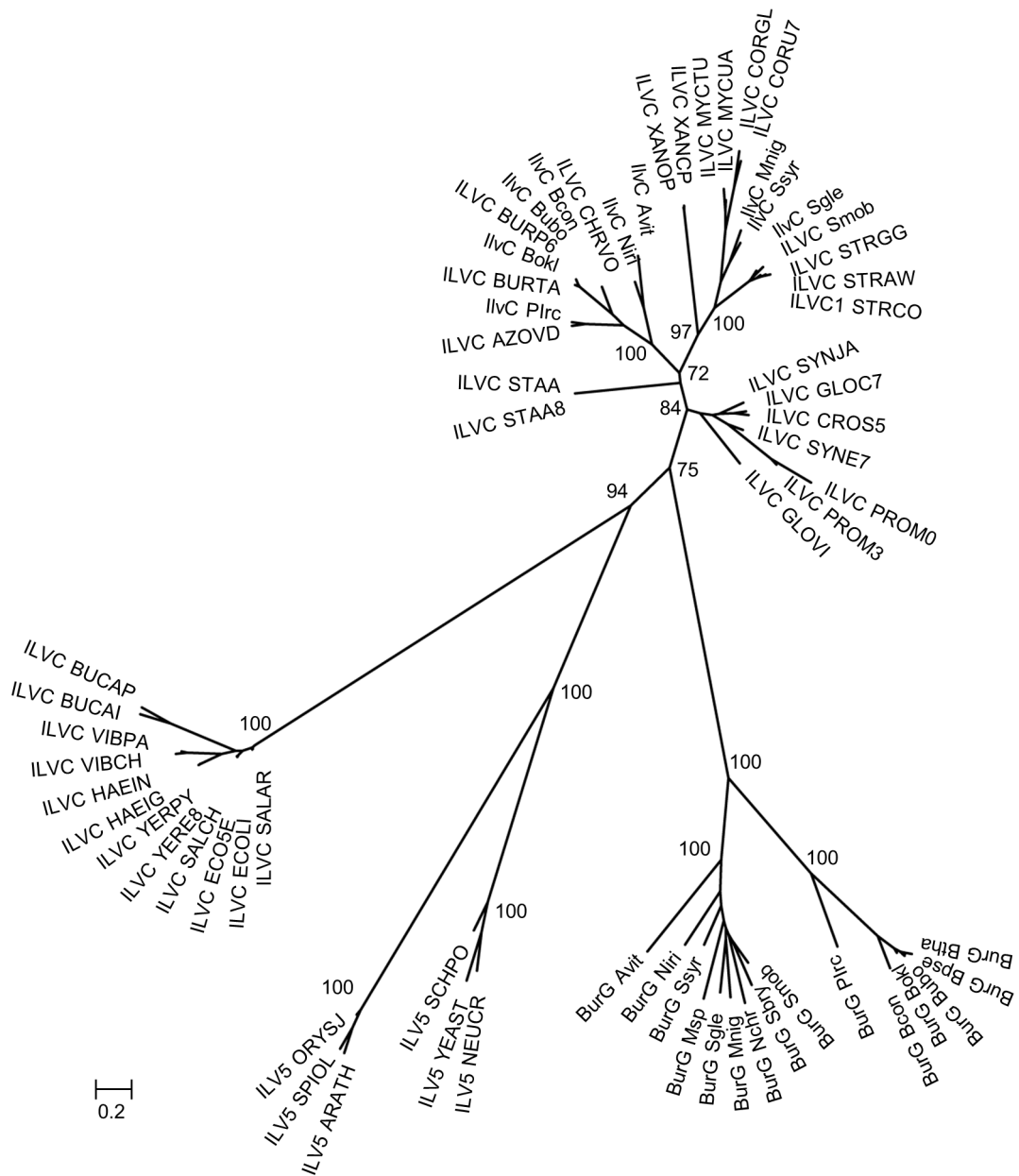
Supplementary Figure 1 | Comparative metabolomics analysis. Analysis of *B. thailandensis* *Pbur* vs. *B. thailandensis* *Pbur burG::Kan*; full, non-filtered view of metabolites in cell extracts (biological triplicates, $n = 3$) shows the upregulation of a compound with an m/z value of 195.0687 in the extract of *B. thailandensis* *Pbur burG::Kan* which corresponds to the biosynthetic intermediate gonydiol (**5**; m/z calculated: 195.0686). Accumulation of this compound in the gene-deletion mutant *B. thailandensis* *Pbur burG::Kan* indicates this compound as possible substrate for the corresponding enzyme BurG.



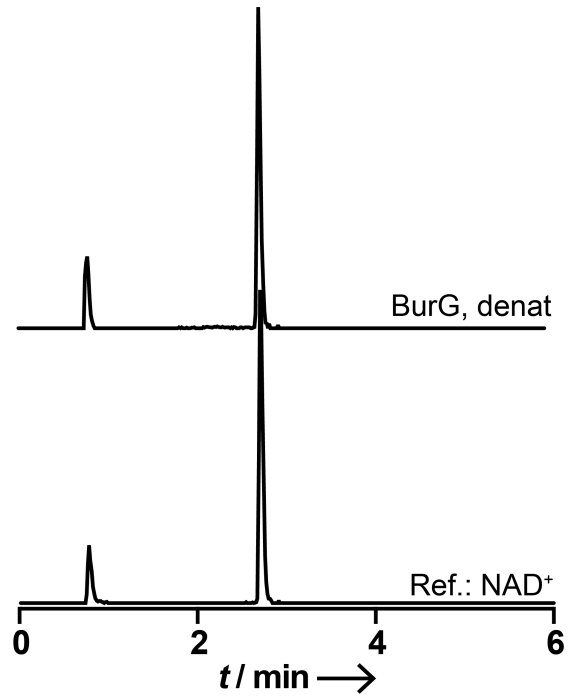
Supplementary Figure 2 | Synthesis of gonydiol. Route to synthetic *syn*- and *anti*-gonydiol (**5**) as racemic trifluoroacetate salts. TFA: trifluoroacetic acid; NMO: *N*-methylmorpholine *N*-oxide; DMDO: dimethyldioxirane.



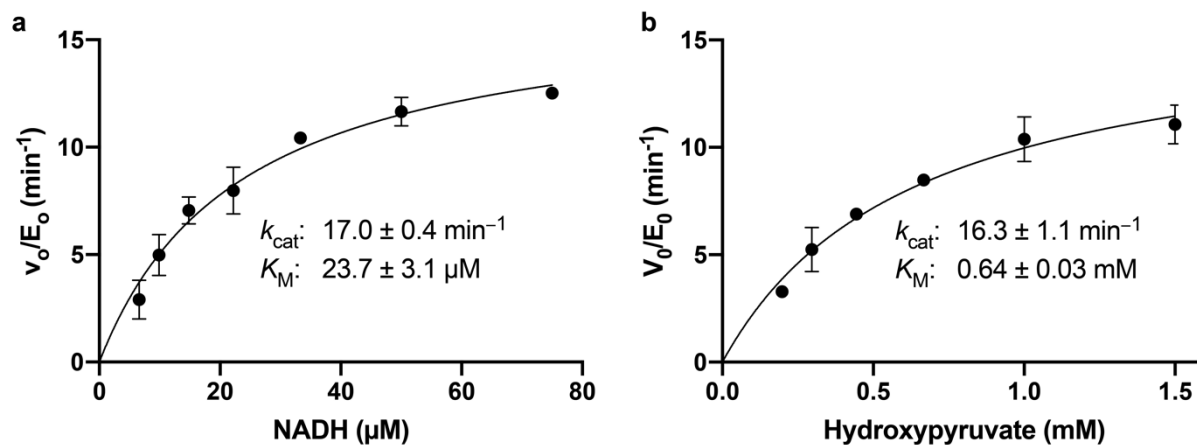
Supplementary Figure 3 | HR-MS² spectra of trigonic acid. Spectrum of **a**, enzymatically formed and **b**, synthetic trigonic acid acid (**6**). Spectra obtained with a normalized collision energy of 20 % in negative ion mode.



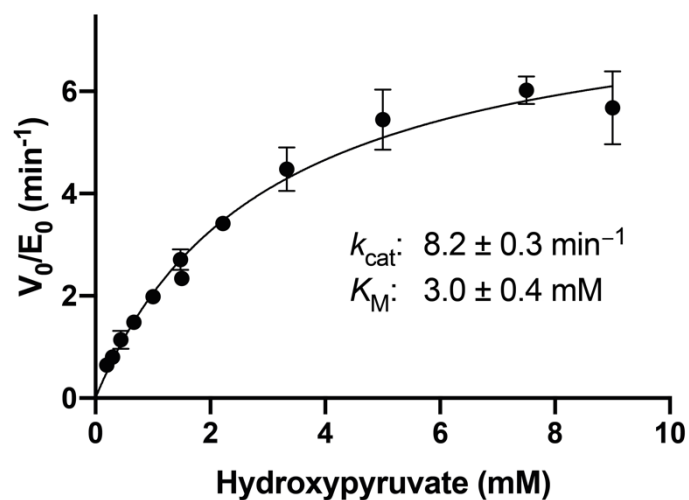
Supplementary Figure 4 | Extended phylogenetic tree. Phylogenetic analysis of amino acid sequences of BurG and other ketol-acid reductoisomerases (KARI, see Supplementary Table 6). The numbers at the nodes indicate the ultrafast bootstrap score (1,000 replicates, shown value: %) for reliability of the different groups. The scale bar shows amino acid substitutions per site.



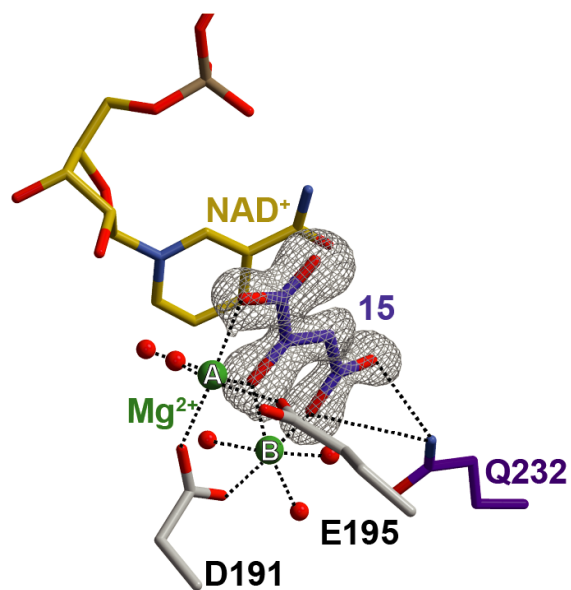
Supplementary Figure 5 | Detection of NAD⁺ in denatured preparations of BurG. HR-LCMS extracted ion monitoring of NAD⁺ (m/z of 664.1164 in negative ion mode); top: BurG preparation, bottom: commercial NAD⁺ standard. No ions corresponding to either NADH, NADP⁺ or NADPH were detected in positive or negative ion mode in the BurG preparation.



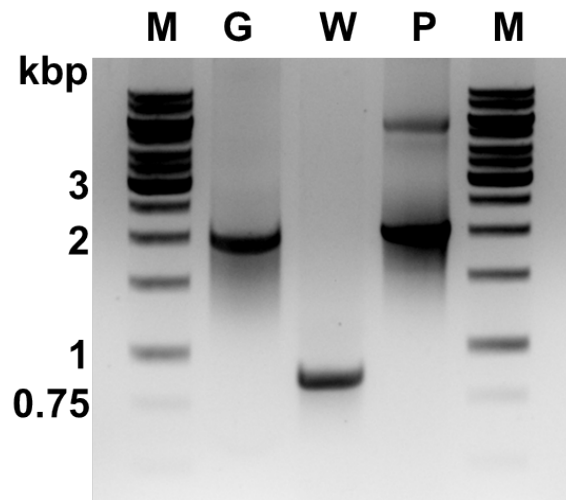
Supplementary Figure 6 | Michaelis Menten kinetics of BurG mediated reductions with hydroxypyruvate (8) and NADH as substrates. Error bars represent the standard deviation of the mean from biological duplicates ($n = 2$). **a**, Parameters determined for NADH with **8** at a fixed concentration (2 mM). **b**, Parameters determined for **8** with NADH at a fixed concentration (100 μM).



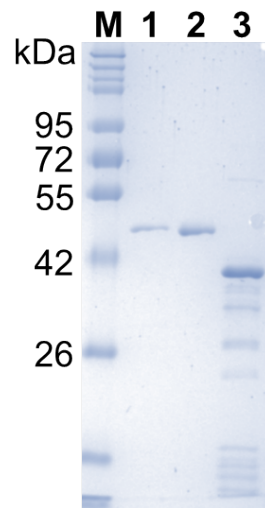
Supplementary Figure 7 | Michaelis Menten kinetics of BurG E232Q mediated reductions with hydroxypyruvate (8) and NADH as substrates. Error bars represent the standard deviation of the mean from technical duplicates ($n = 2$). Parameters determined for **8** with NADH at a fixed concentration ($100 \mu\text{M}$).



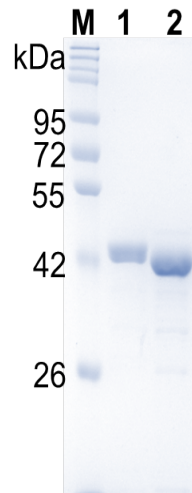
Supplementary Figure 8 | Complex structure of mutant BurG E232Q with bound enol-oxaloacetate (15) (PDB ID: 7PCT). The F_o-F_c electron density map for **15** bound to the Mg-atoms is shown as grey mesh contoured to 3σ . The ligand has been omitted for phasing. The introduced mutant Q232 is located on subunit B and marked in dark pink.



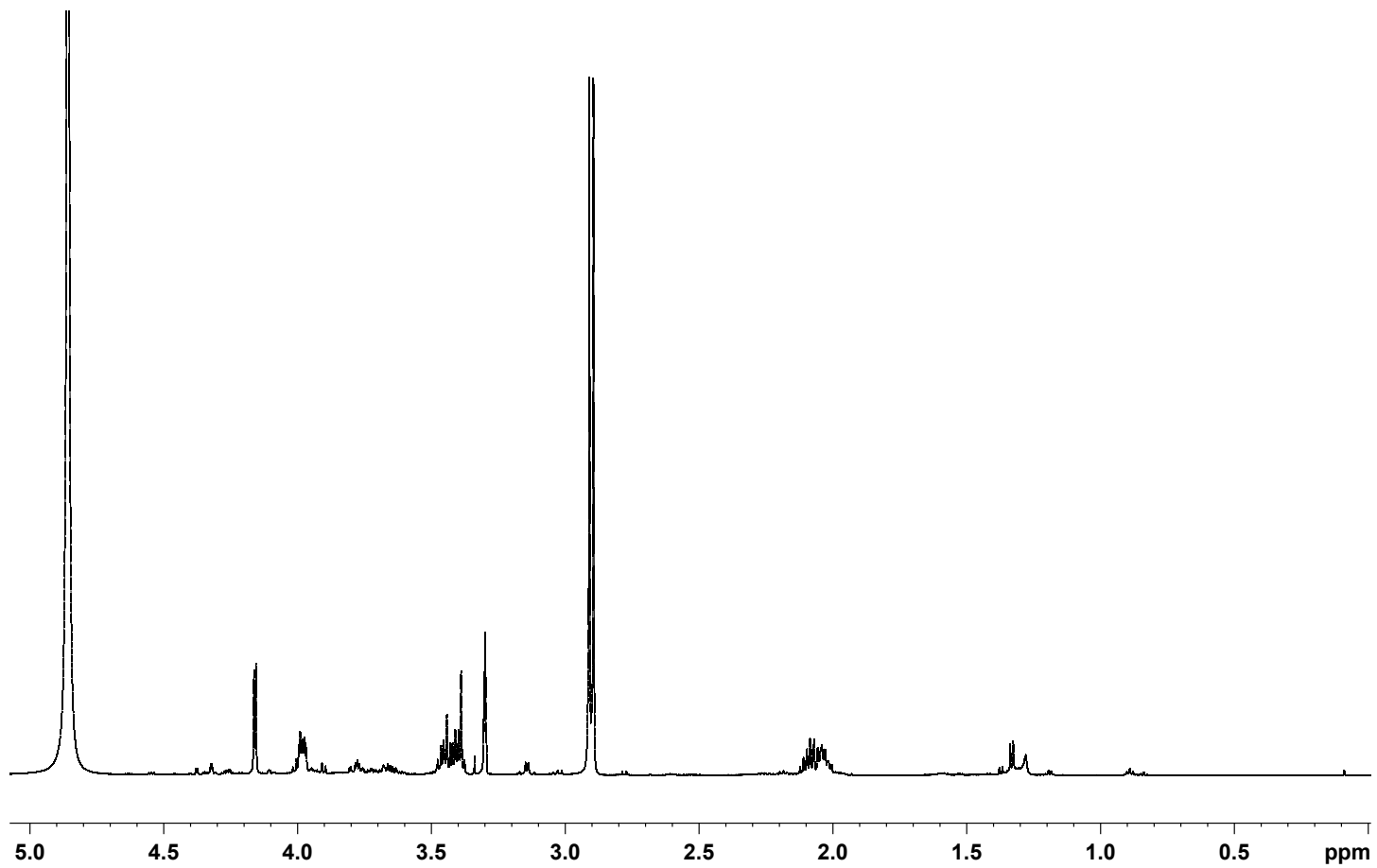
Supplementary Figure 9 | Verification of mutant strain. Agarose gel analysis of PCR products obtained with the primer pair Isomerase fw2 and Isomerase rv2 from: genomic DNA of *B. thailandensis* *Pbur burG::Kan* (lane G), genomic DNA of wild-type (lane W, expected size 839 bp) as a negative control, and pGEM-*burG::Kan* (lane P, expected size 1,871 bp) as a positive control. M: size marker.



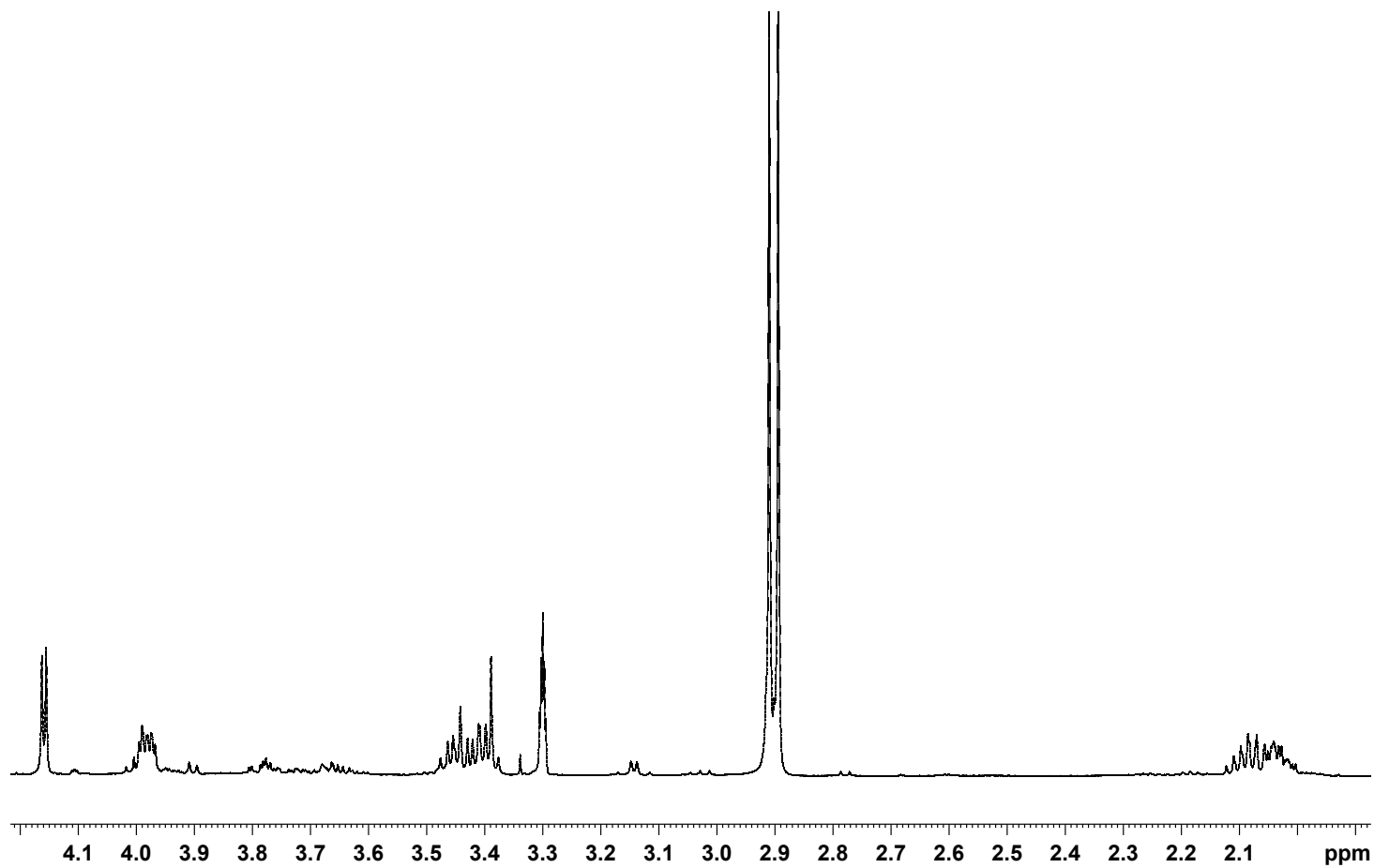
Supplementary Figure 10 | His₆-tagged enzyme preparations. Representative SDS-PAGE analysis of purified His₆-BurG (lane 1, 40.6 kDa), His₆-BurG E232Q (lane 2, 40.6 kDa), and His₆-BurC (lane 3, 39.9 kDa). M: size marker.



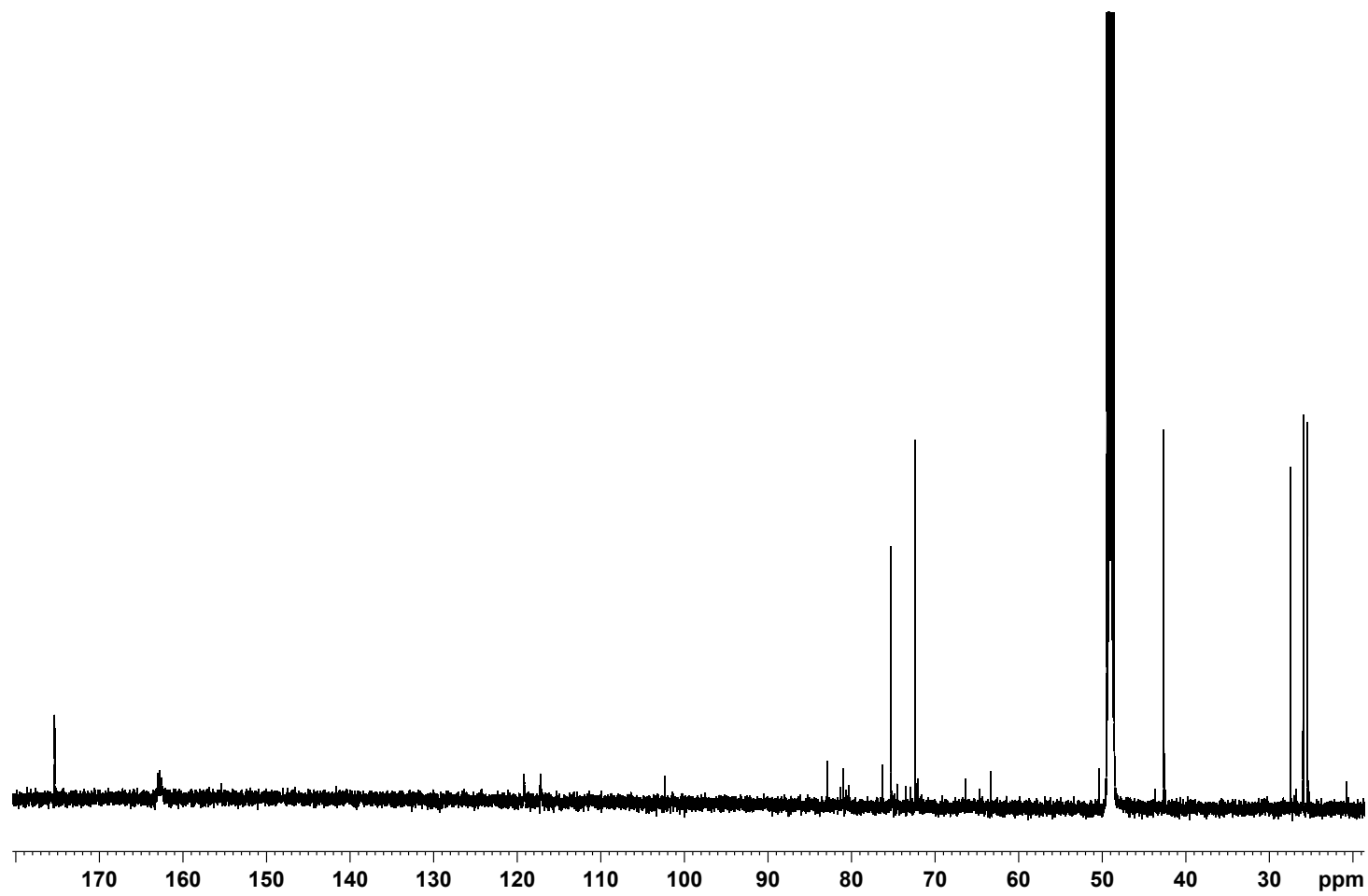
Supplementary Figure 11 | Tag-free enzyme preparations. Representative SDS-PAGE analysis of purified BurG (lane 1, 38.7 kDa) and BurG E232Q (lane 2, 38.7 kDa) after tag-cleavage by thrombin. M: size marker.



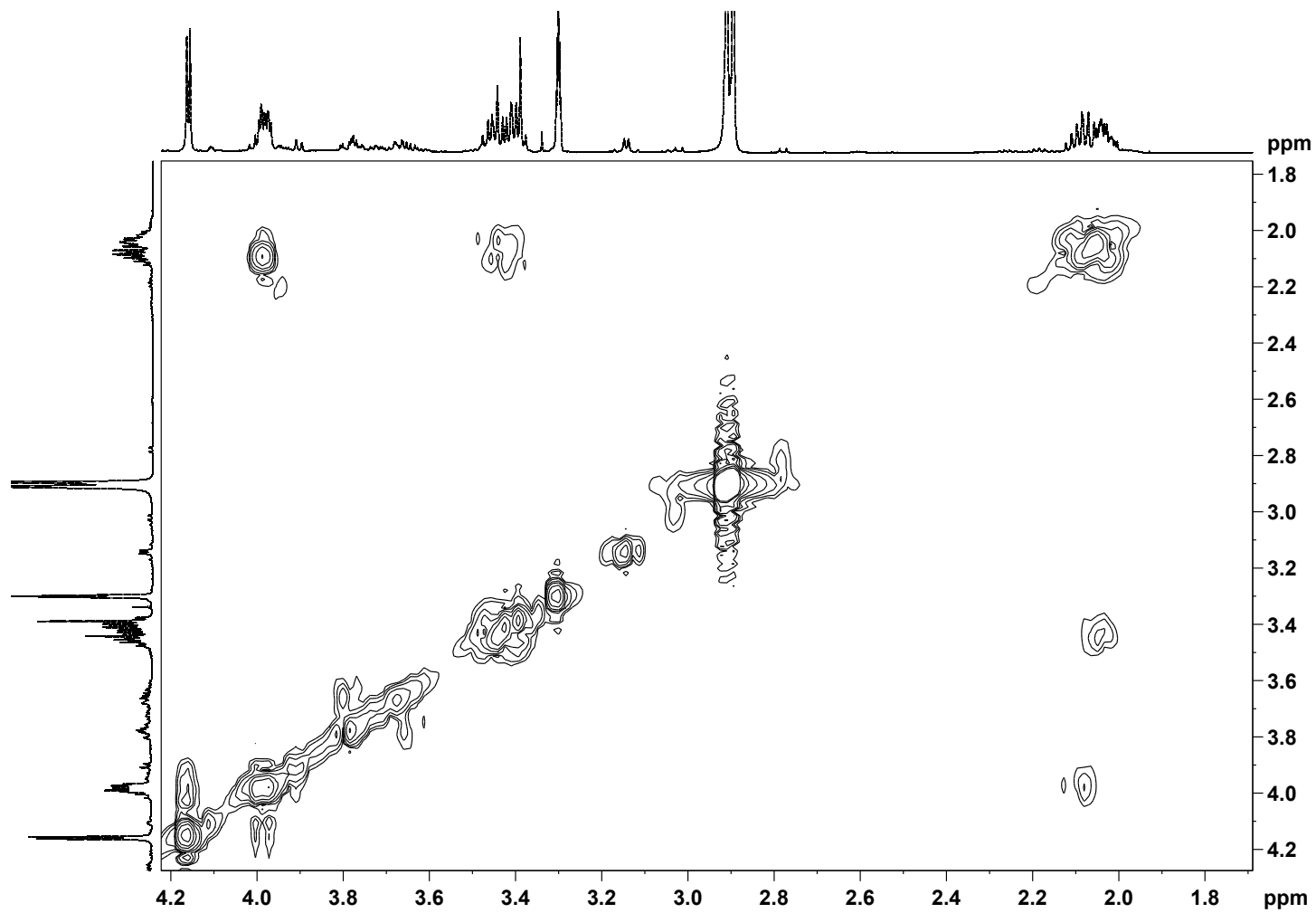
Supplementary Figure 12 | ^1H NMR spectrum of natural gonydiol (5; CD_3OD).



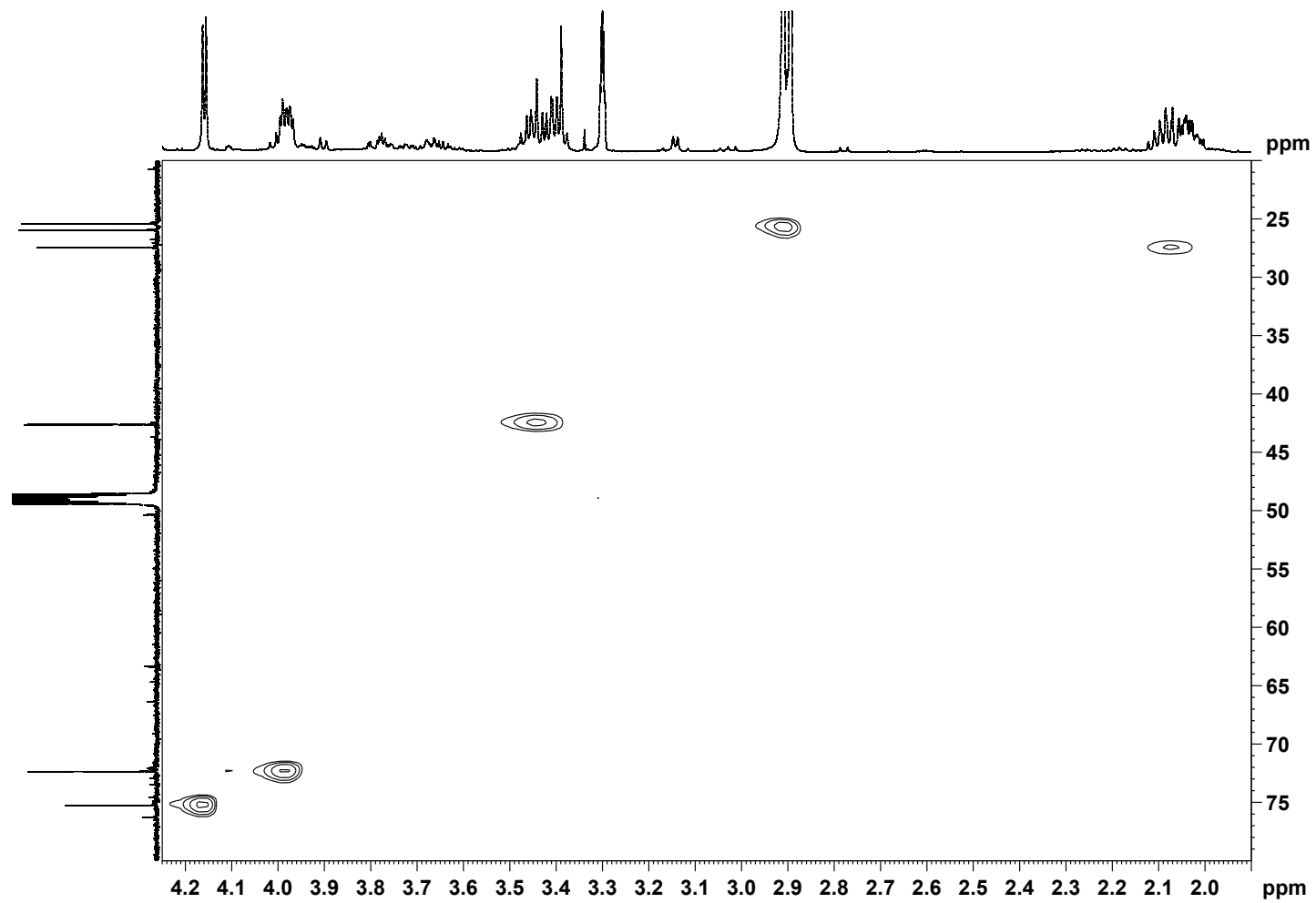
Supplementary Figure 13 | Zoom into ^1H NMR spectrum of natural gonydiol (**5**; CD_3OD).



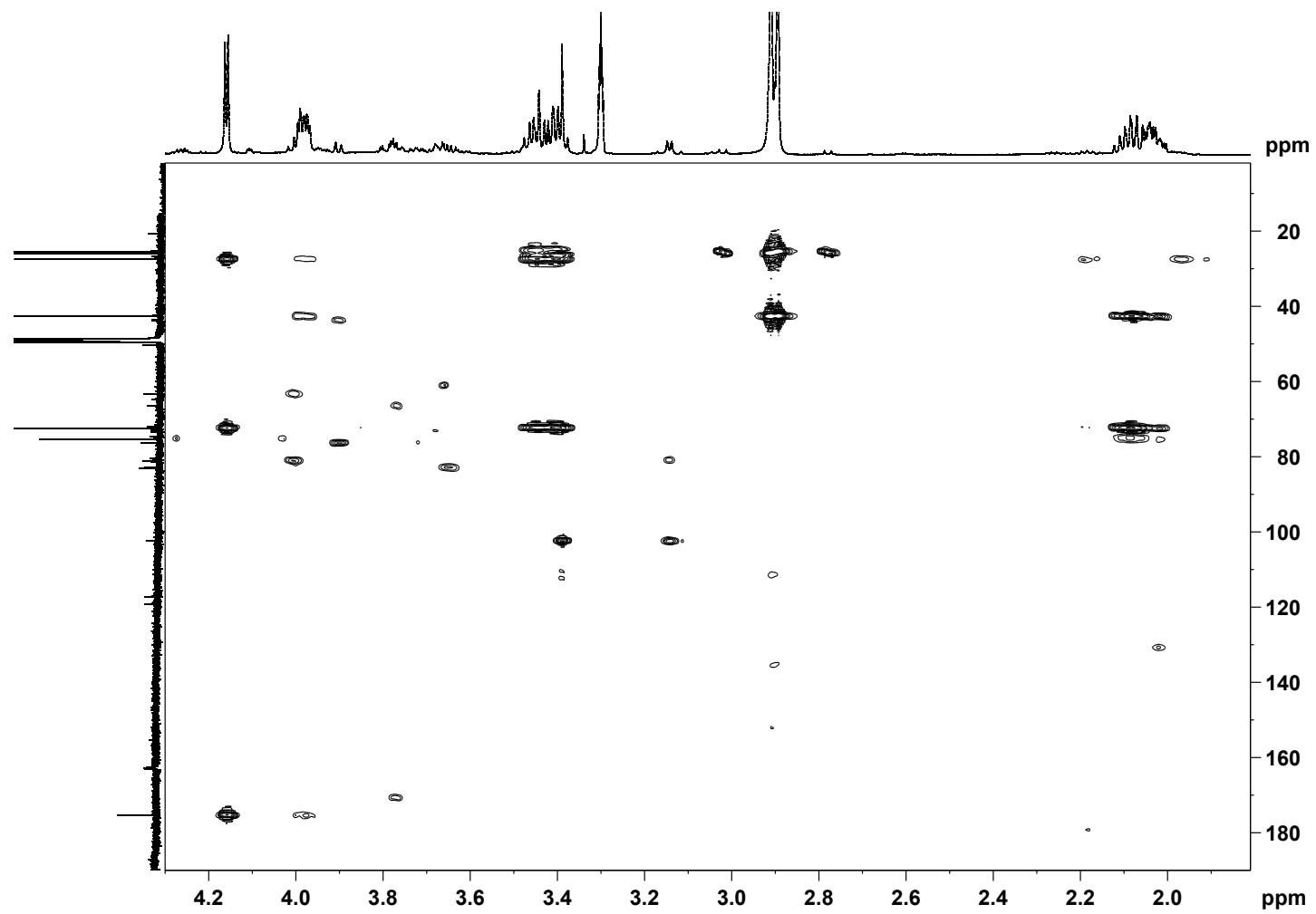
Supplementary Figure 14 | ^{13}C NMR spectrum of natural gonydiol (**5**; CD_3OD).



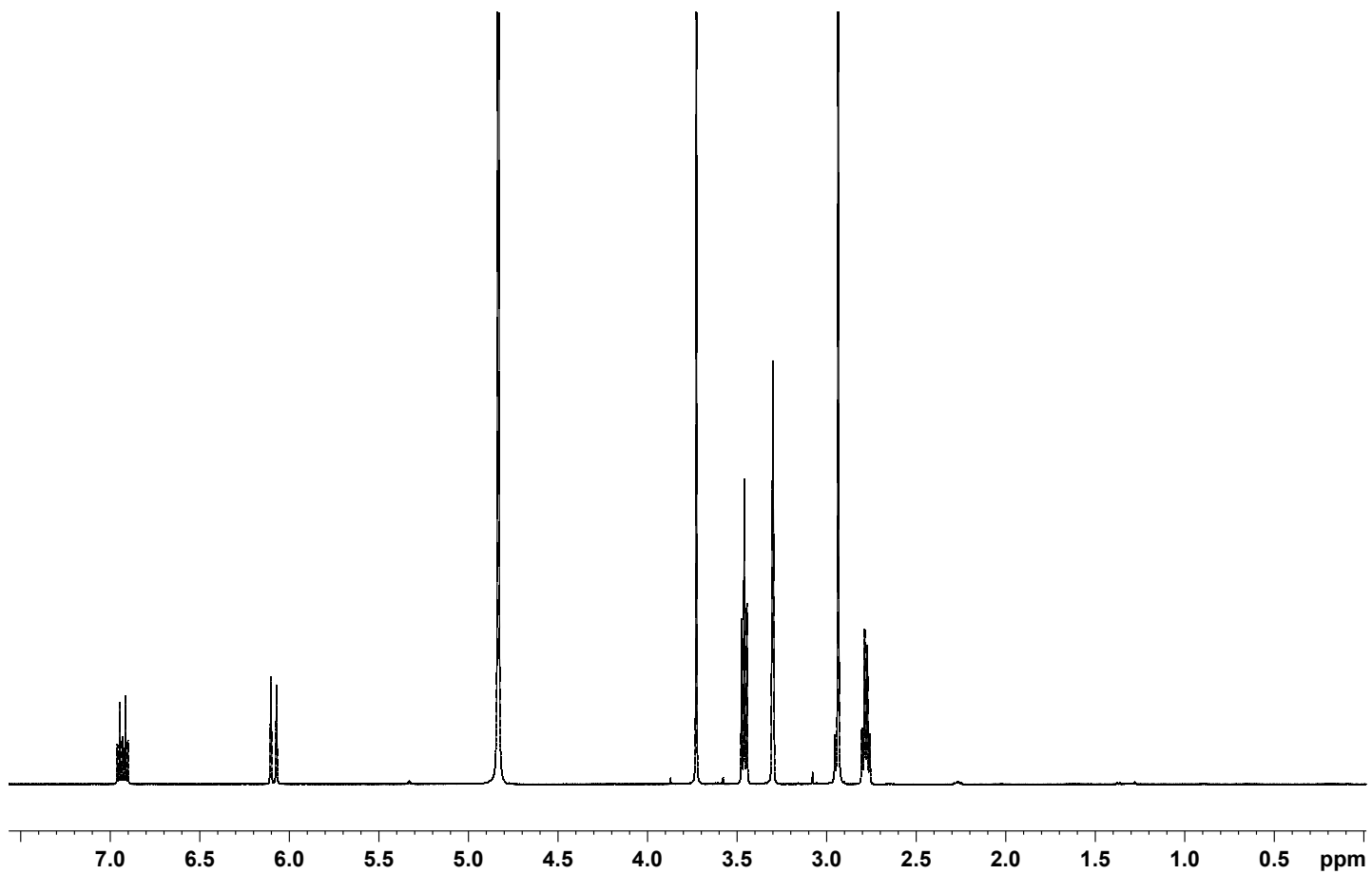
Supplementary Figure 15 | COSY spectrum of natural gonydiol (5; CD₃OD).



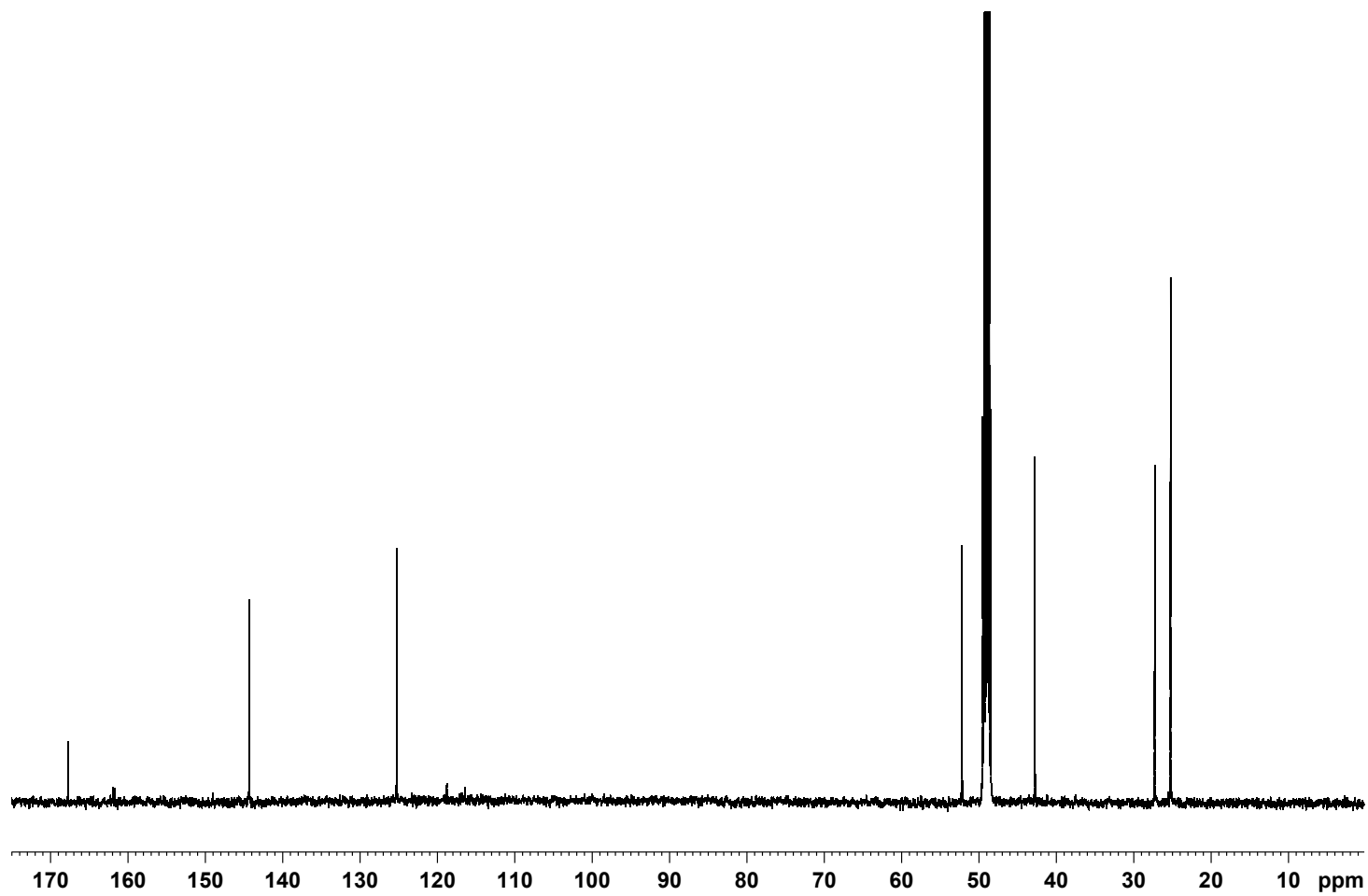
Supplementary Figure 16 | HSQC spectrum of natural gonydiol (5; CD₃OD).



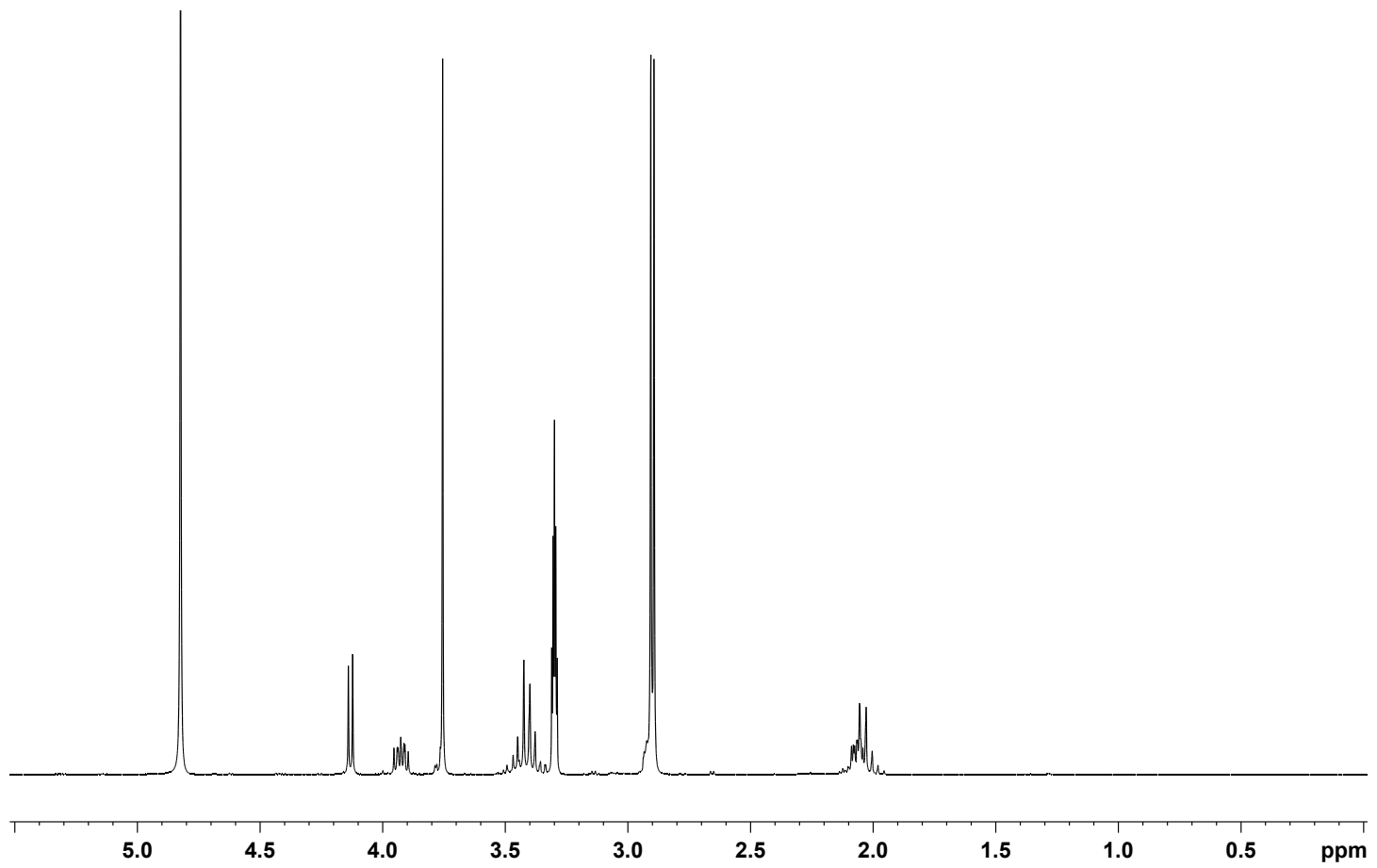
Supplementary Figure 17 | HMBC spectrum of natural gonydiol (5; CD₃OD).



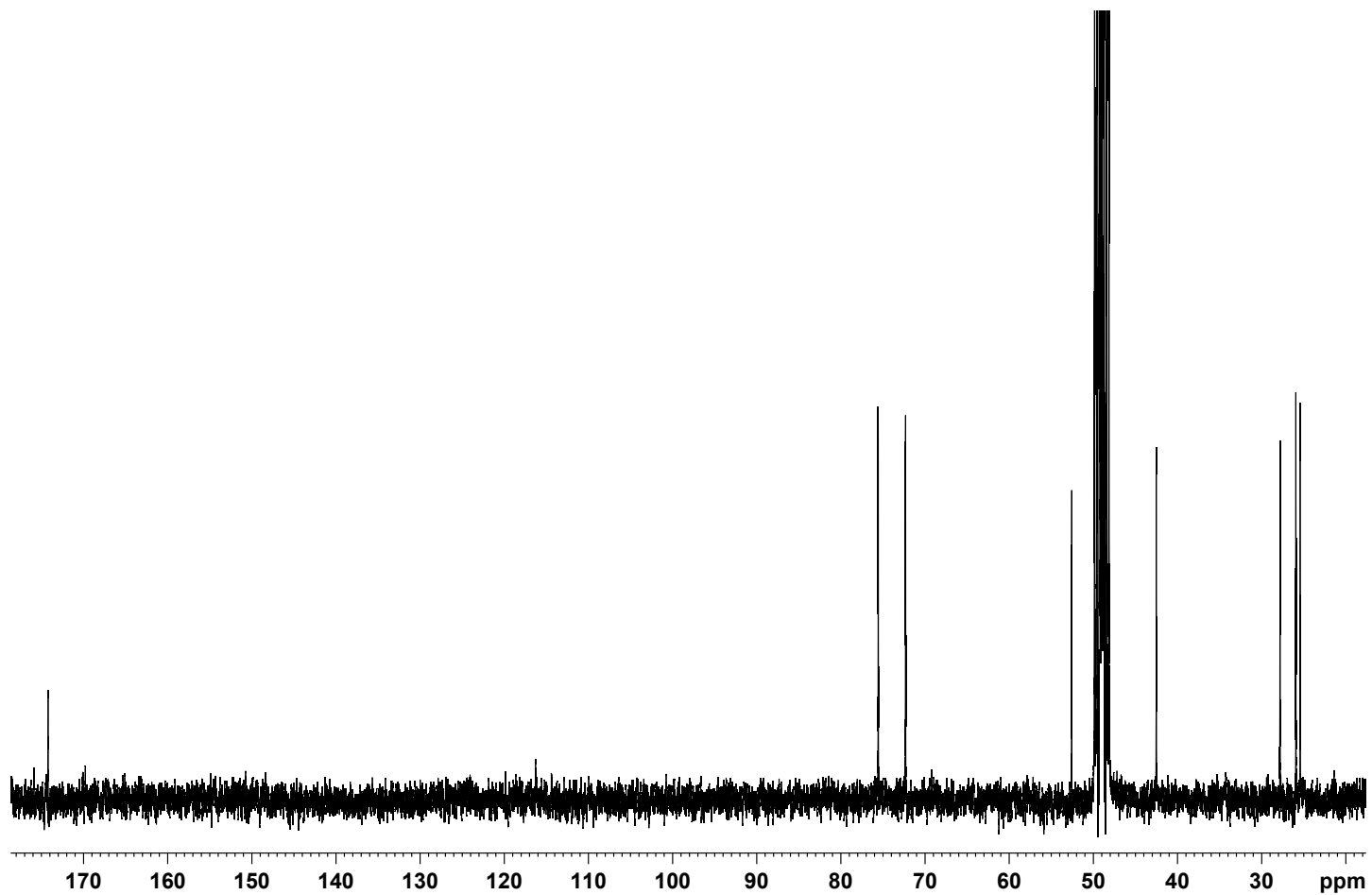
Supplementary Figure 18 | ^1H NMR spectrum of methyl (*E*)-5-dimethylsulfonio-pent-2-enoate (CD_3OD).



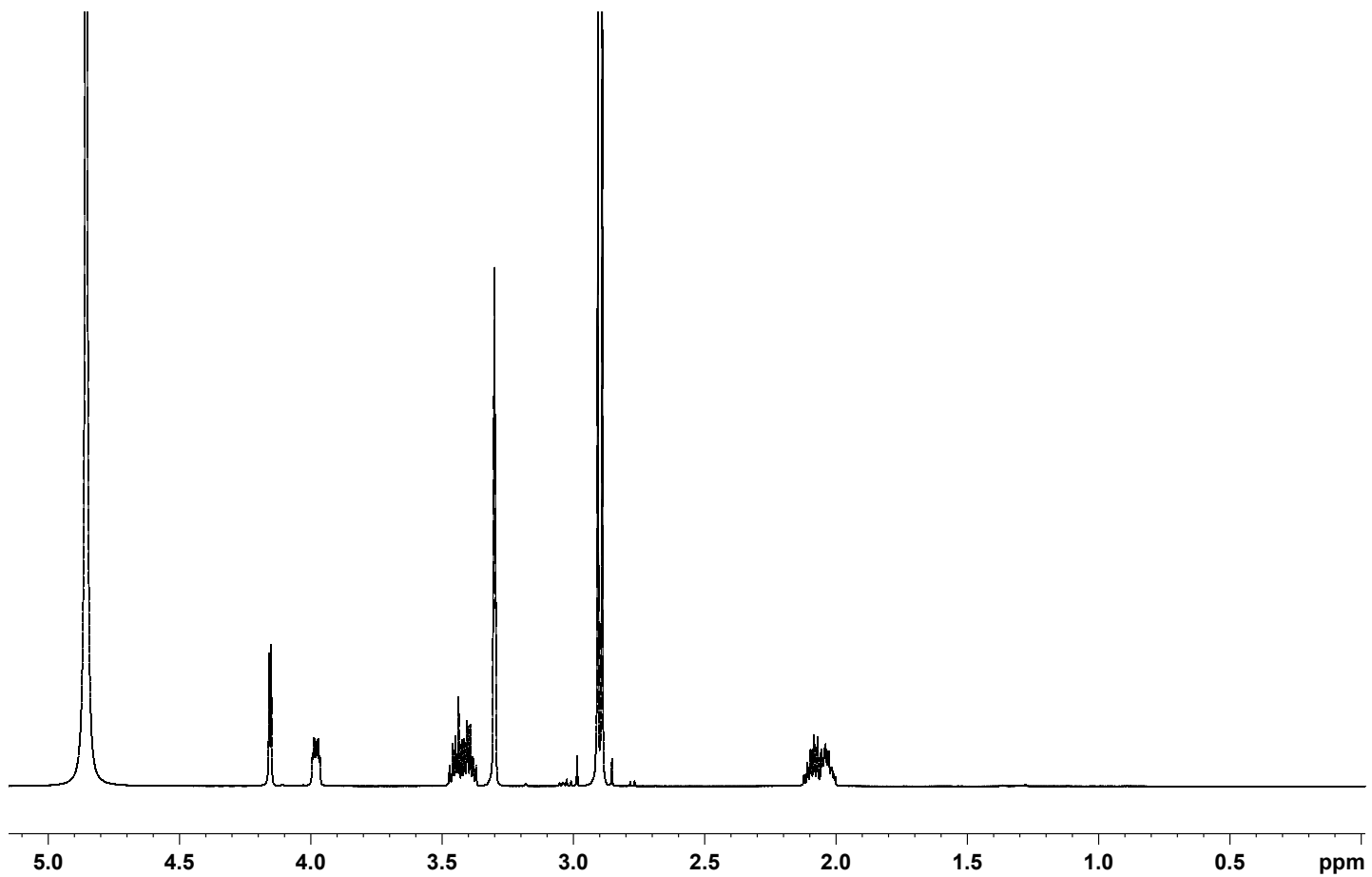
Supplementary Figure 19 | ^{13}C NMR spectrum of methyl (*E*)-5-dimethylsulfonio-pent-2-enoate (CD_3OD).



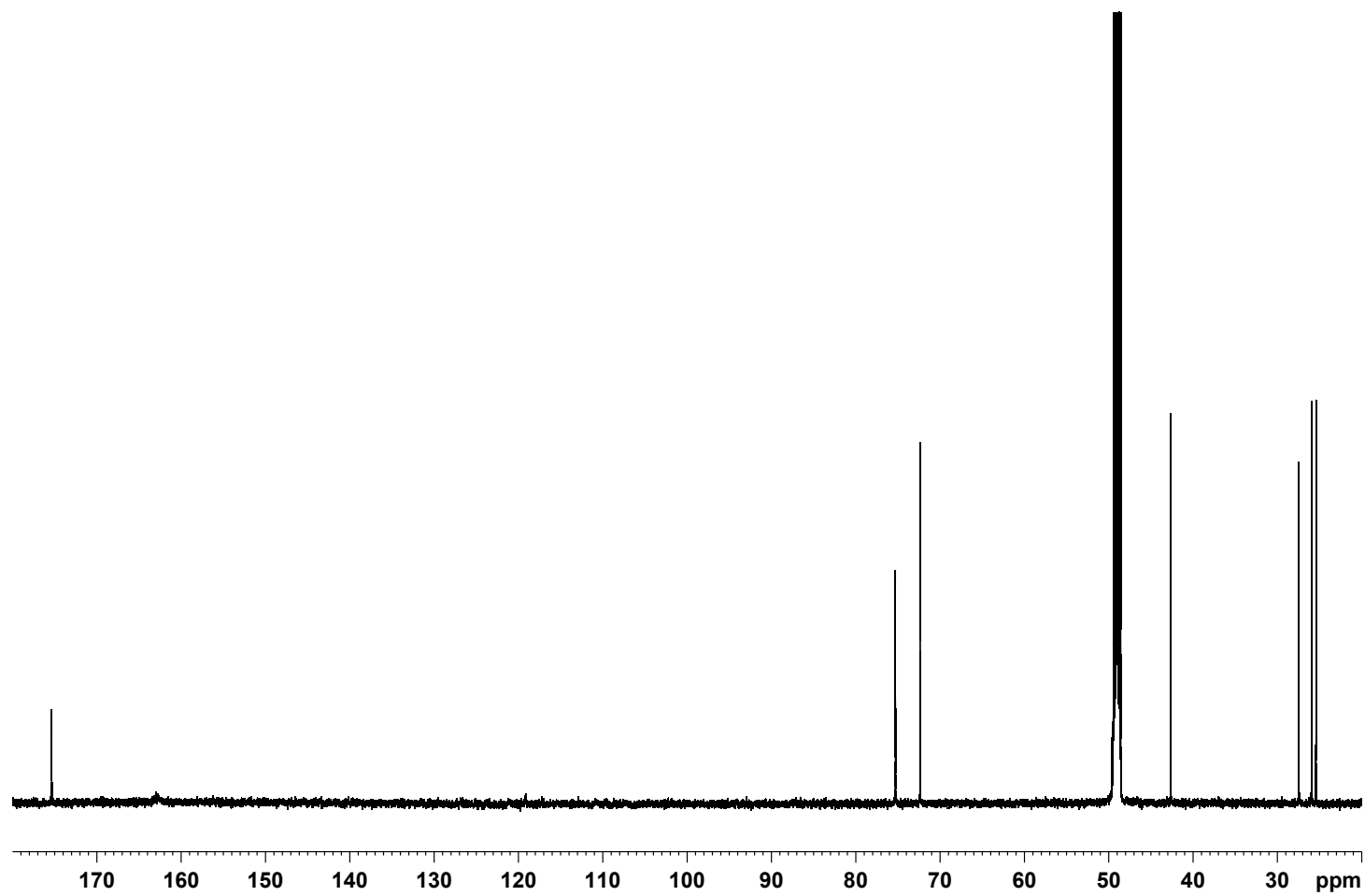
Supplementary Figure 20 | ¹H NMR spectrum of methyl *anti*-2,3-dihydroxy-5-dimethylsulfonio-pentanoate (CD₃OD).



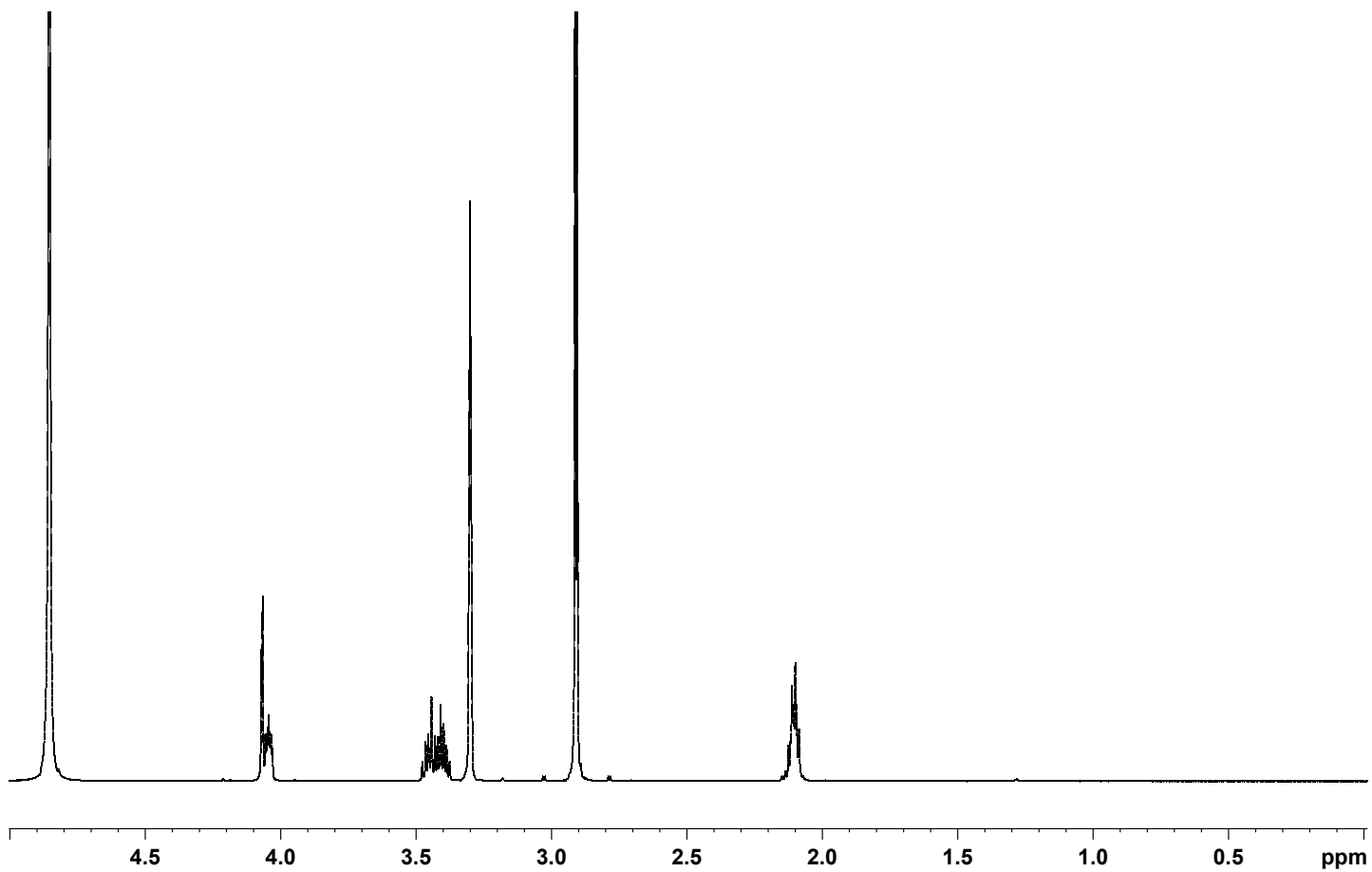
Supplementary Figure 21 | ^{13}C NMR spectrum of methyl *anti*-2,3-dihydroxy-5-dimethylsulfonio-pentanoate (CD_3OD).



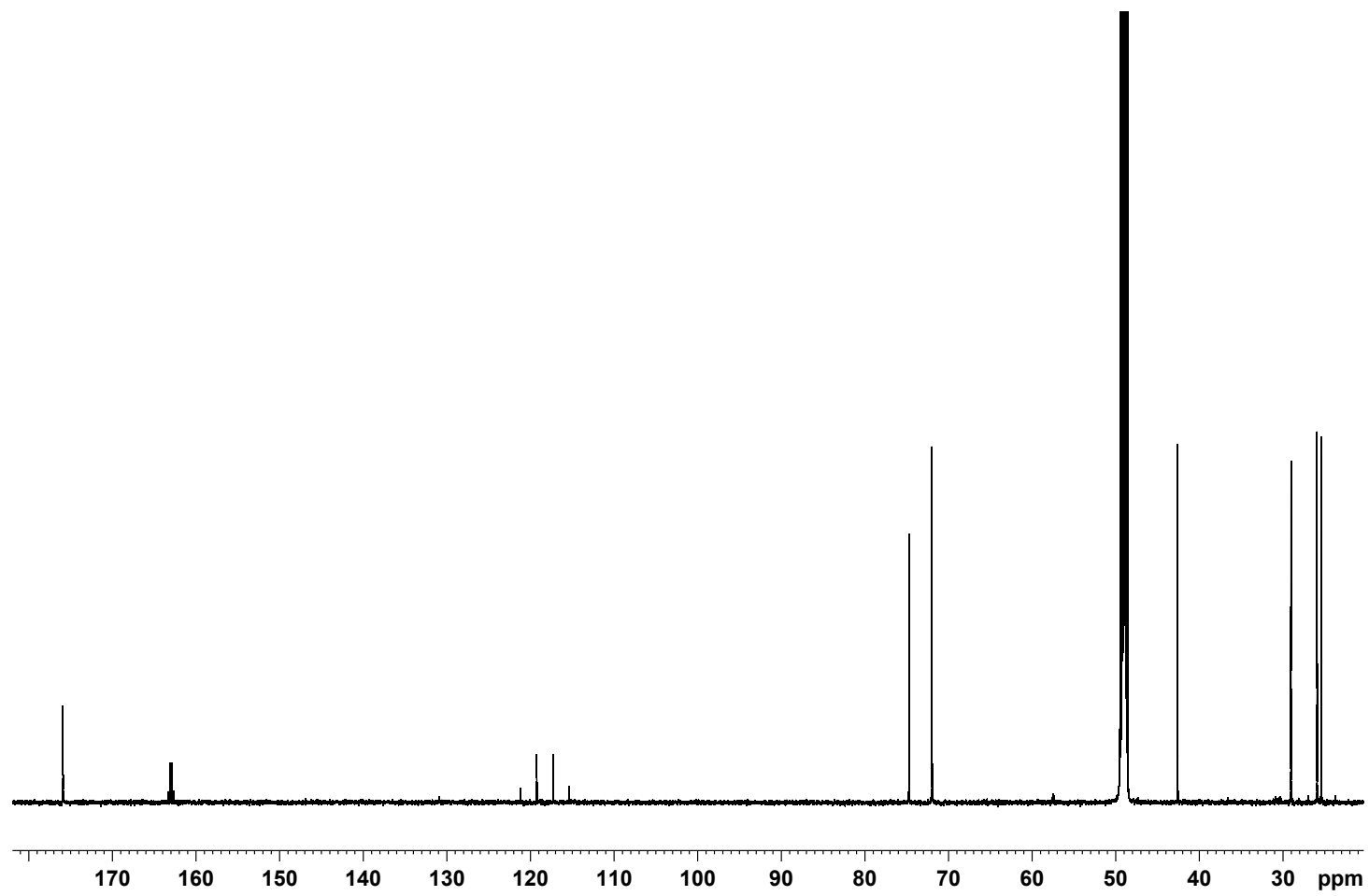
Supplementary Figure 22 | ^1H NMR spectrum of *anti*-gonydiol (*anti*-5; CD_3OD).



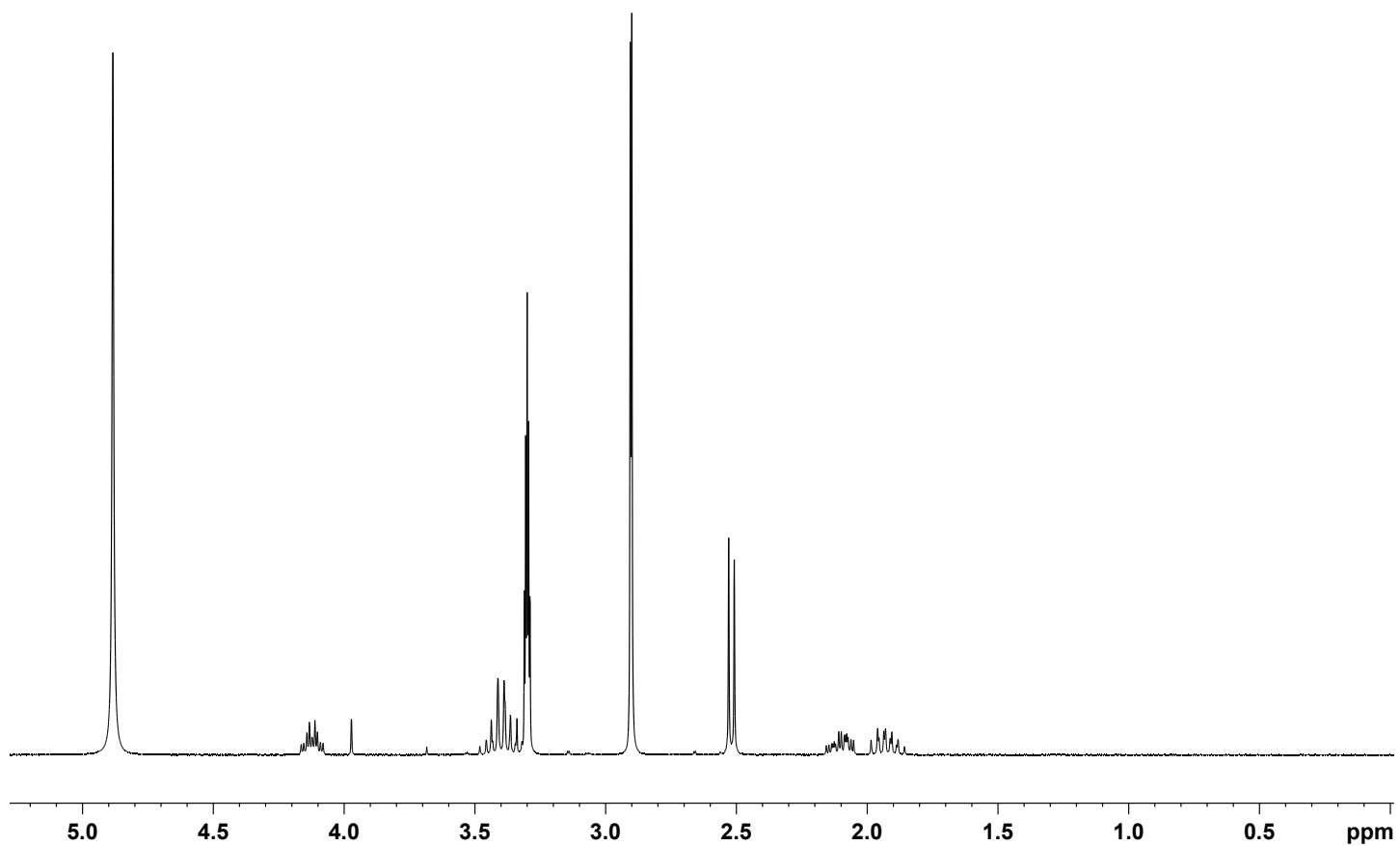
Supplementary Figure 23 | ^{13}C NMR spectrum of *anti*-gonydiol (*anti*-5; CD_3OD).



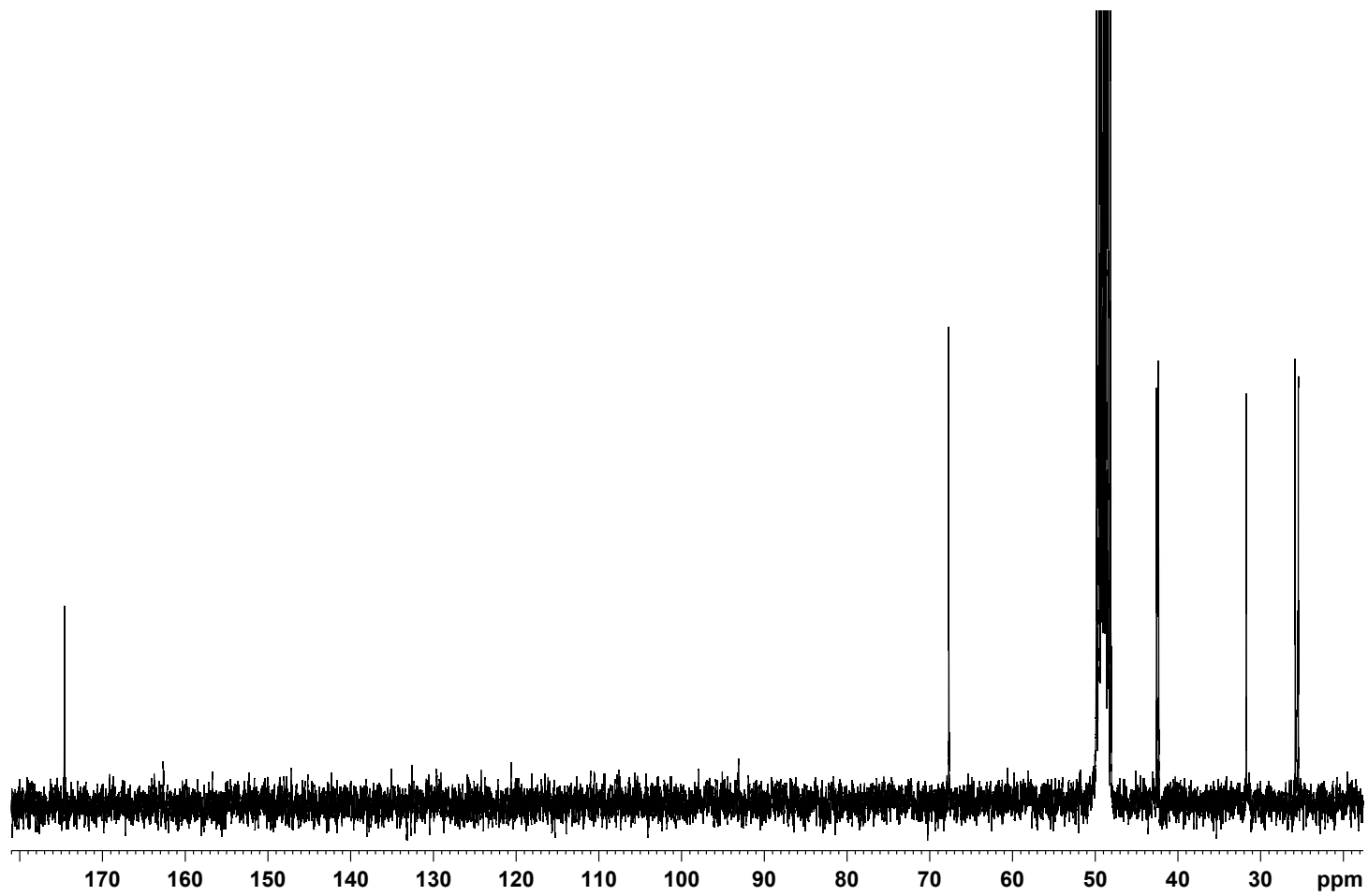
Supplementary Figure 24 | ¹H NMR spectrum of *syn*-gonydiol (*syn*-5; CD₃OD).



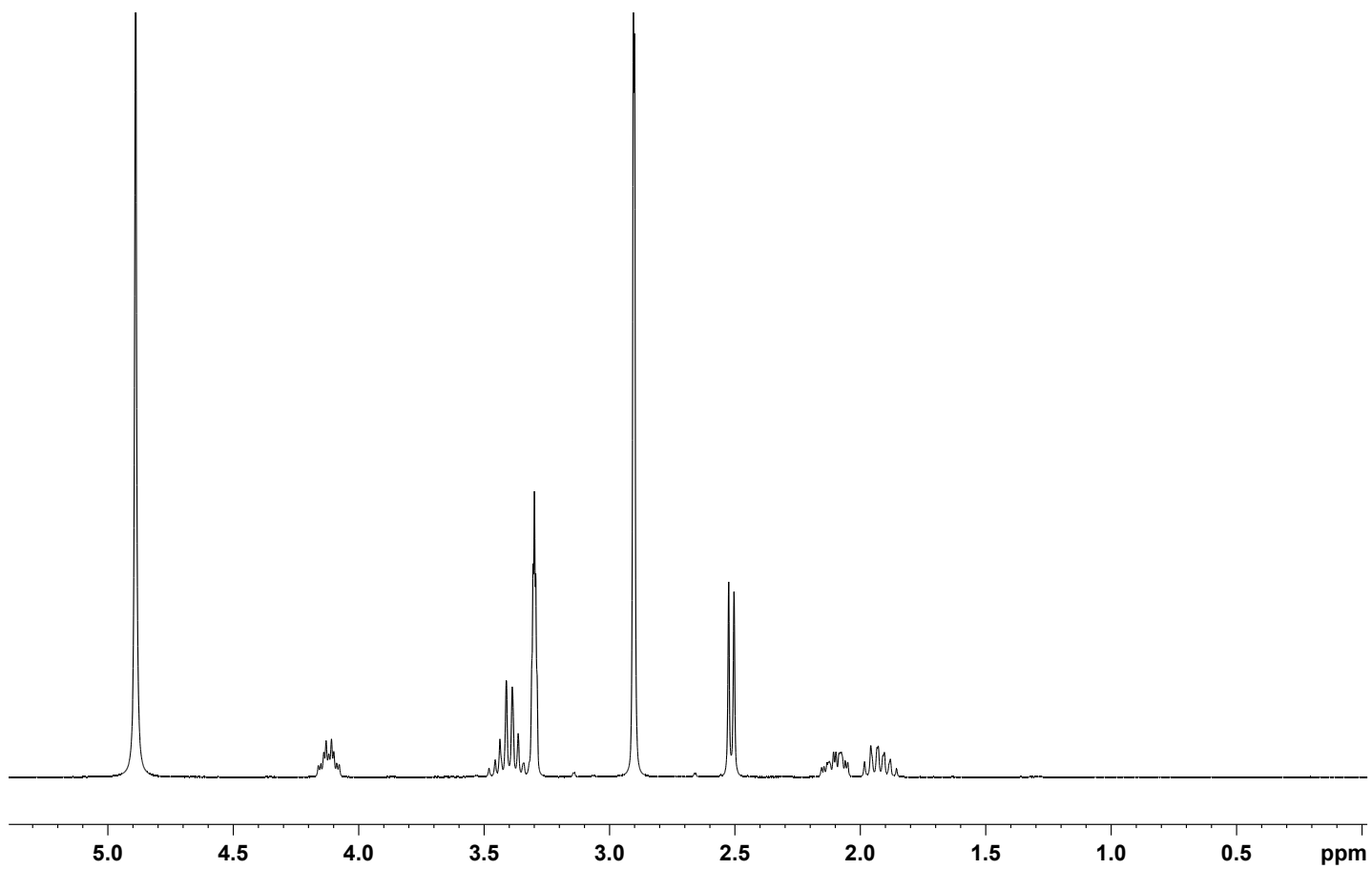
Supplementary Figure 25 | ^{13}C NMR spectrum of *syn*-gonydiol (*syn*-5; CD_3OD).



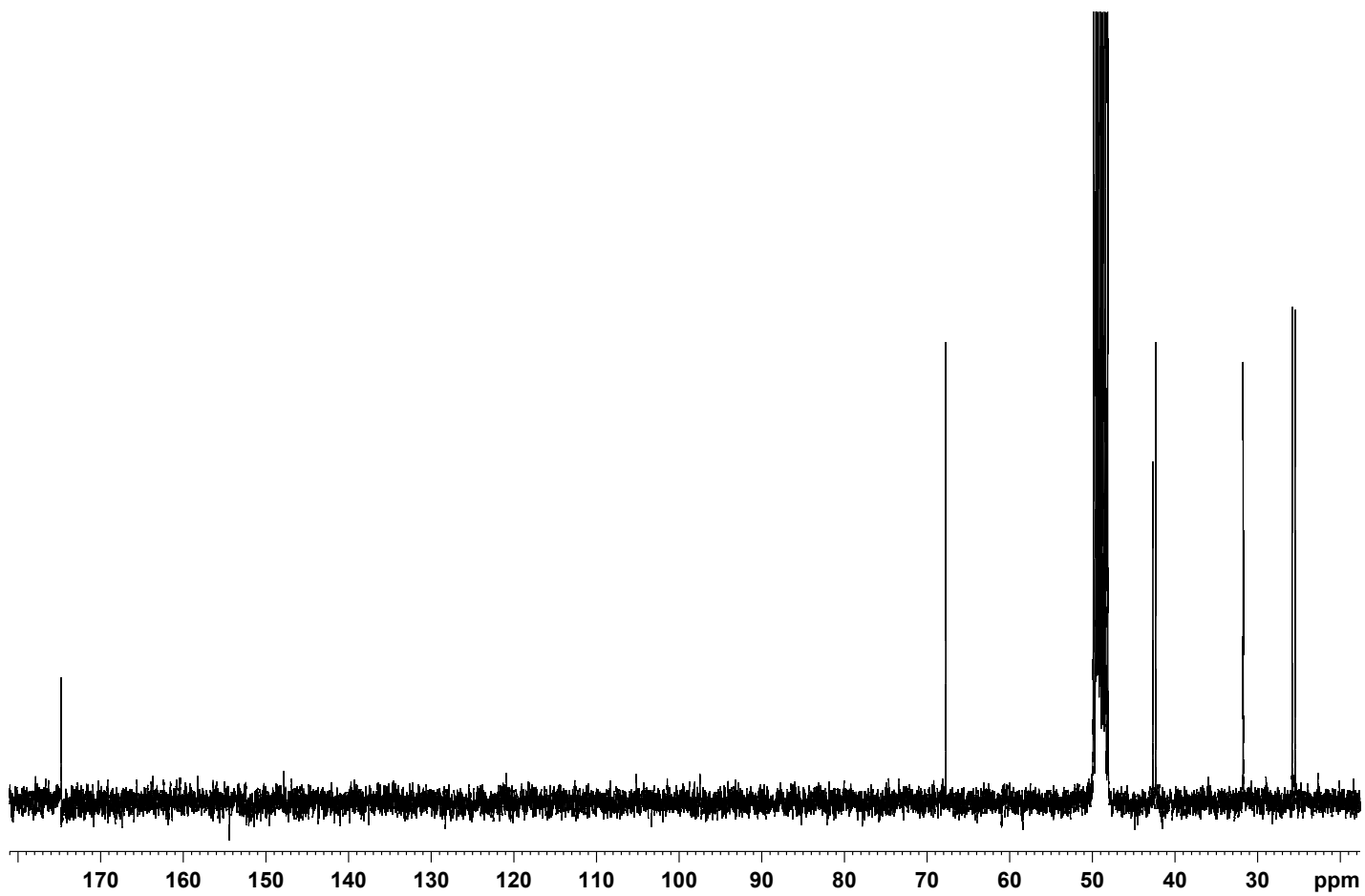
Supplementary Figure 26 | ^1H NMR spectrum of *R*-gonyol (*R*-4; CD_3OD).



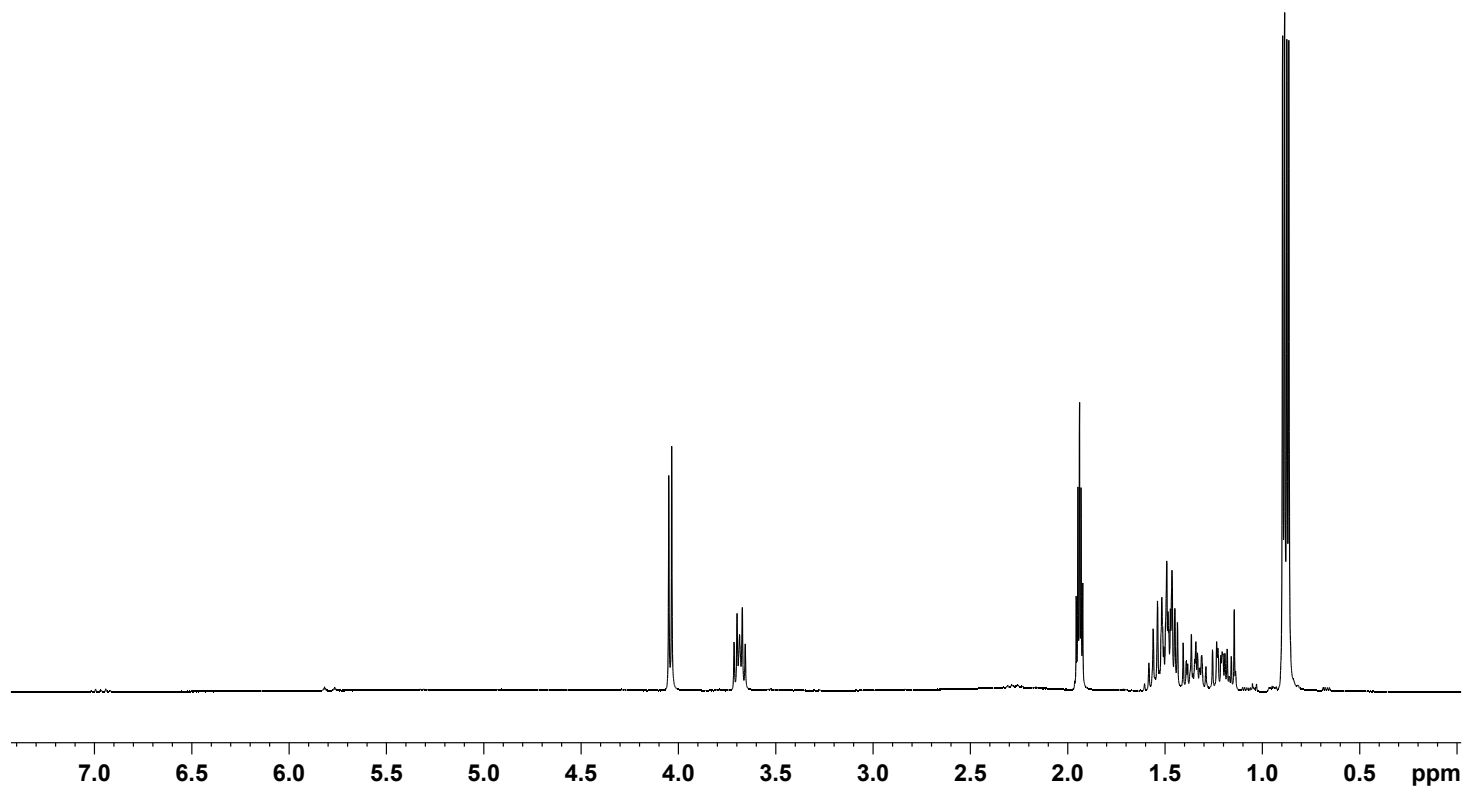
Supplementary Figure 27 | ^{13}C NMR spectrum of *R*-gonyol (*R*-4; CD_3OD).



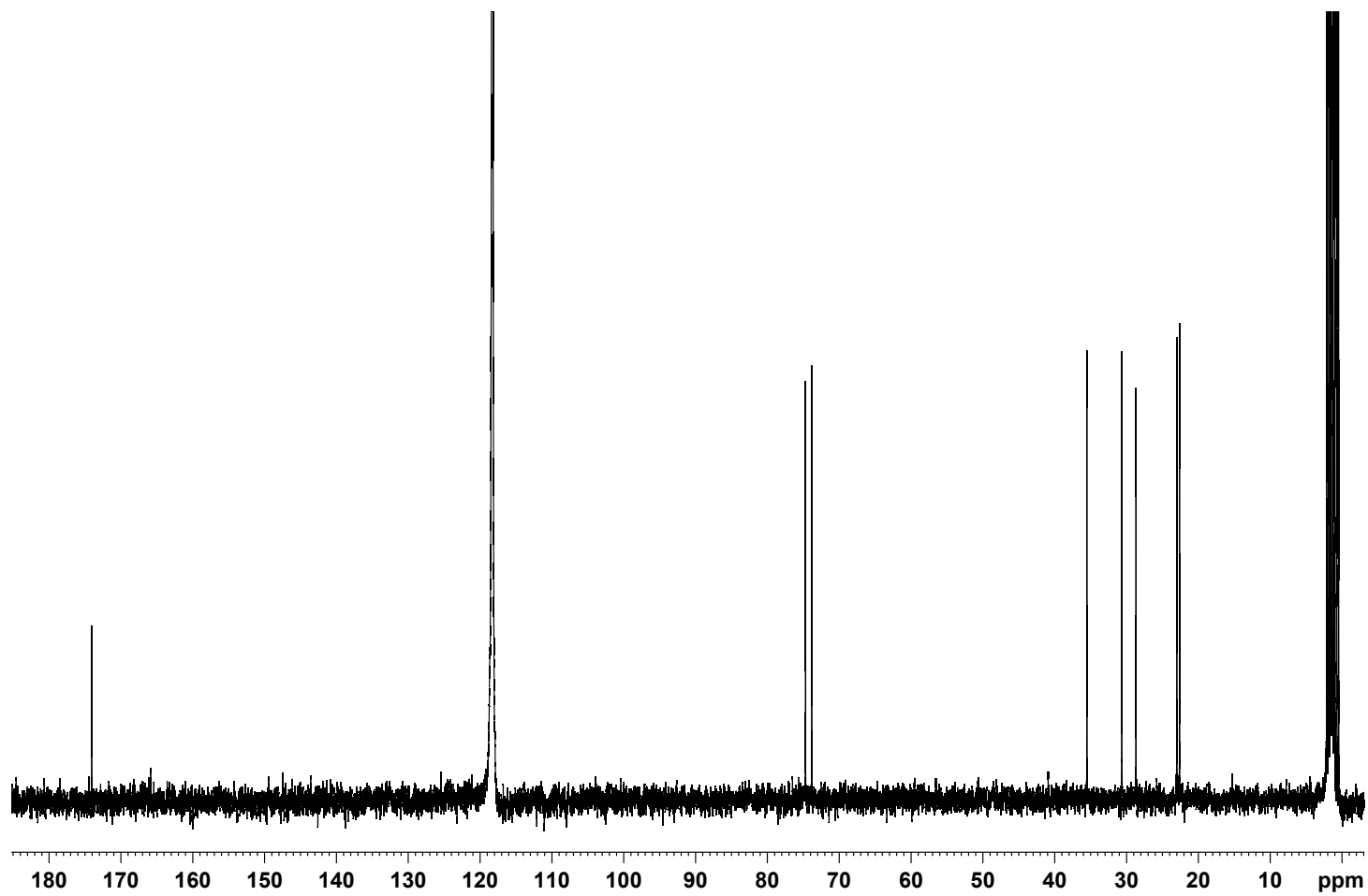
Supplementary Figure 28 | ¹H NMR spectrum of *S*-gonyol (*S*-4; CD₃OD).



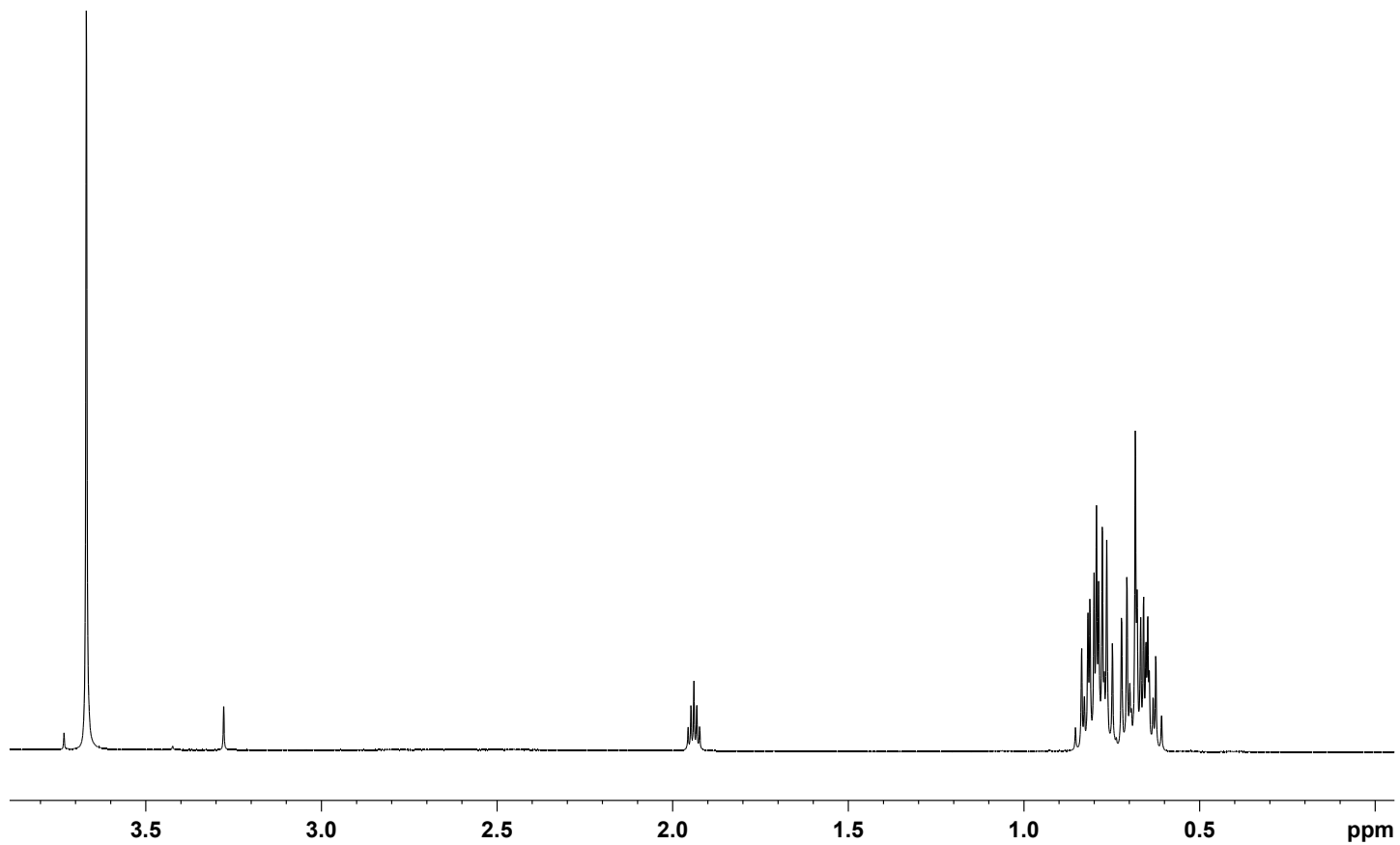
Supplementary Figure 29 | ^{13}C NMR spectrum of *S*-gonyol (*S*-4; CD_3OD).



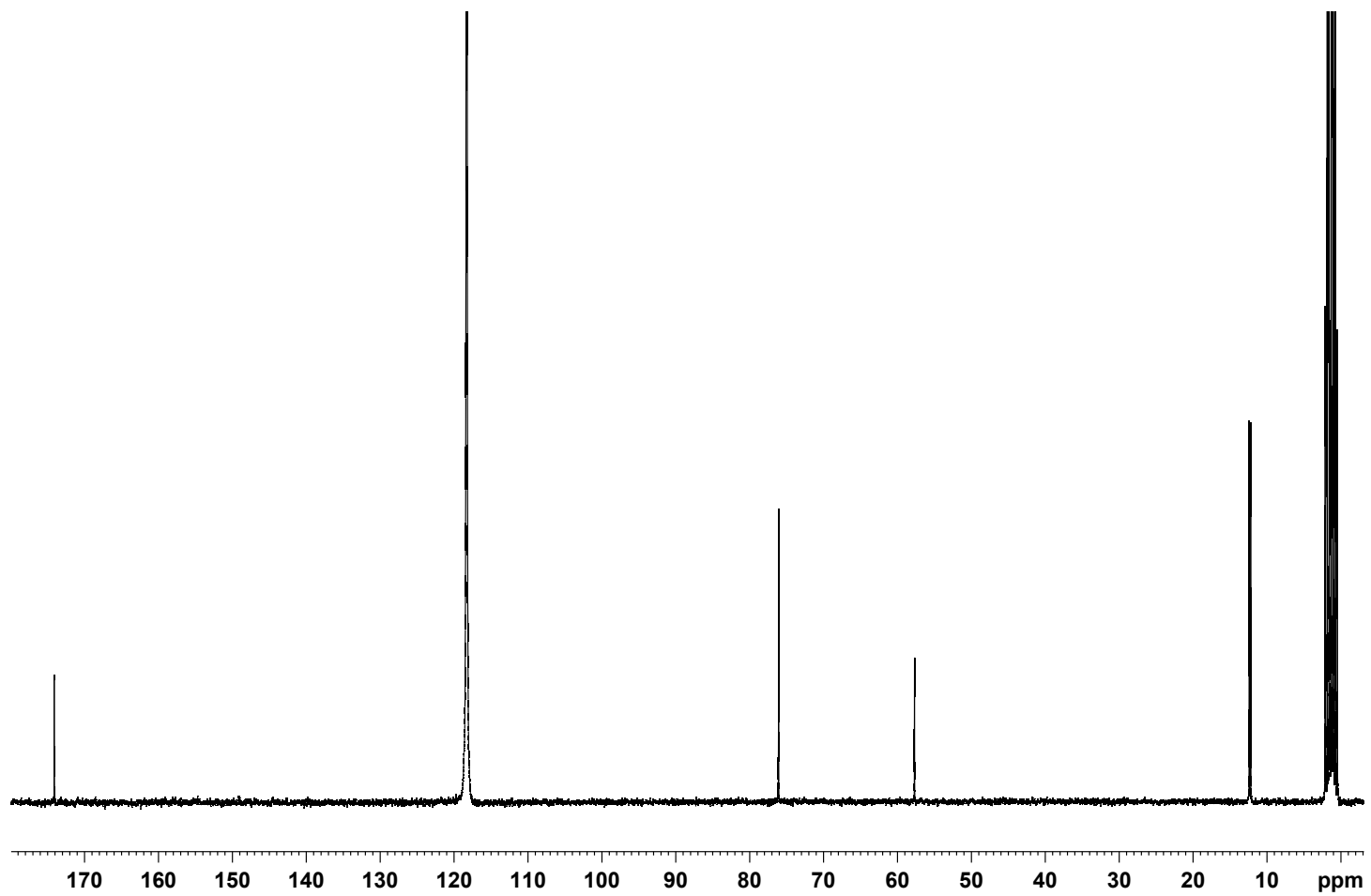
Supplementary Figure 30 | ^1H NMR spectrum of carba-gonydiol (12; CD_3CN).



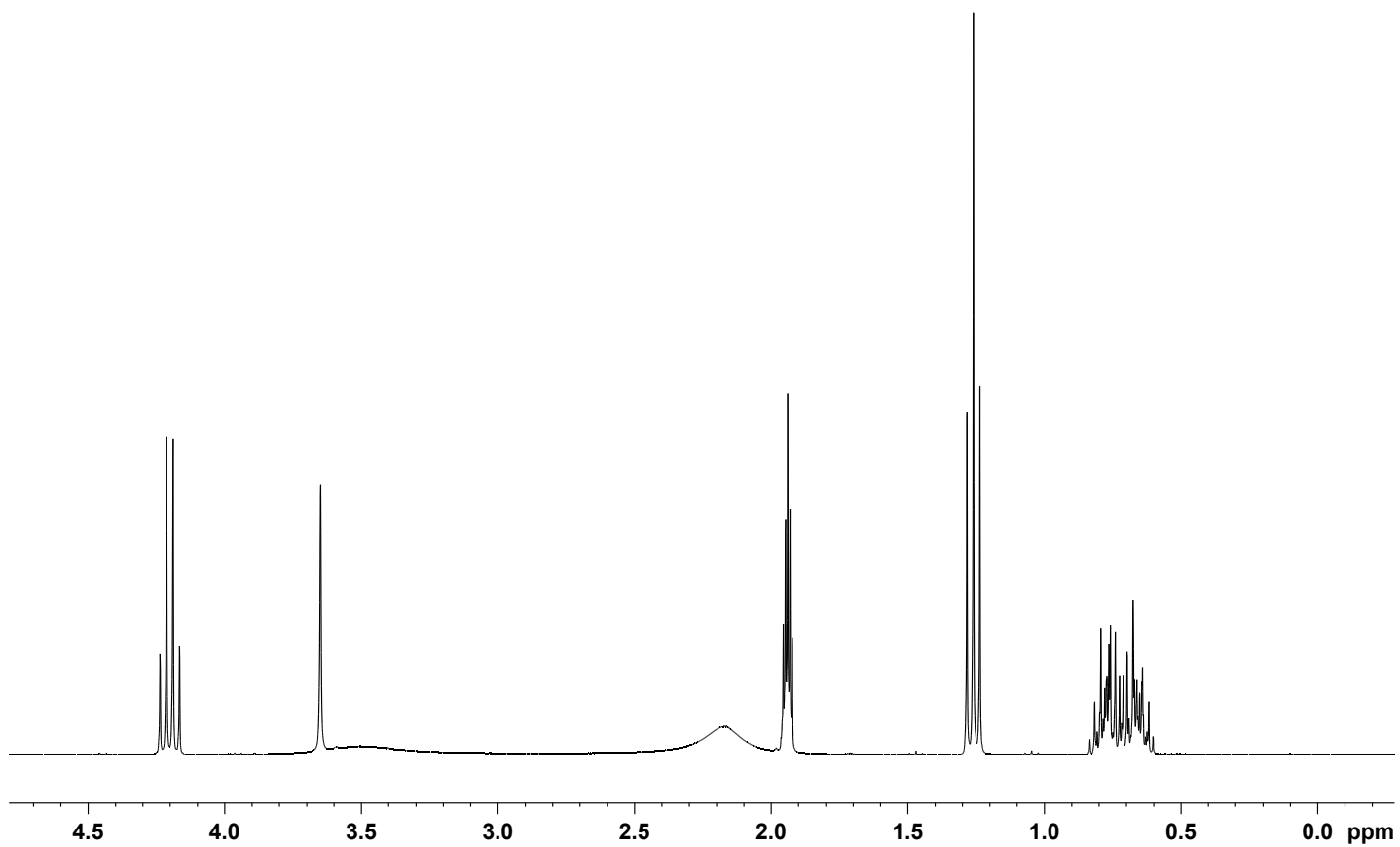
Supplementary Figure 31 | ^{13}C NMR spectrum of carba-gonydiol (12; CD_3CN).



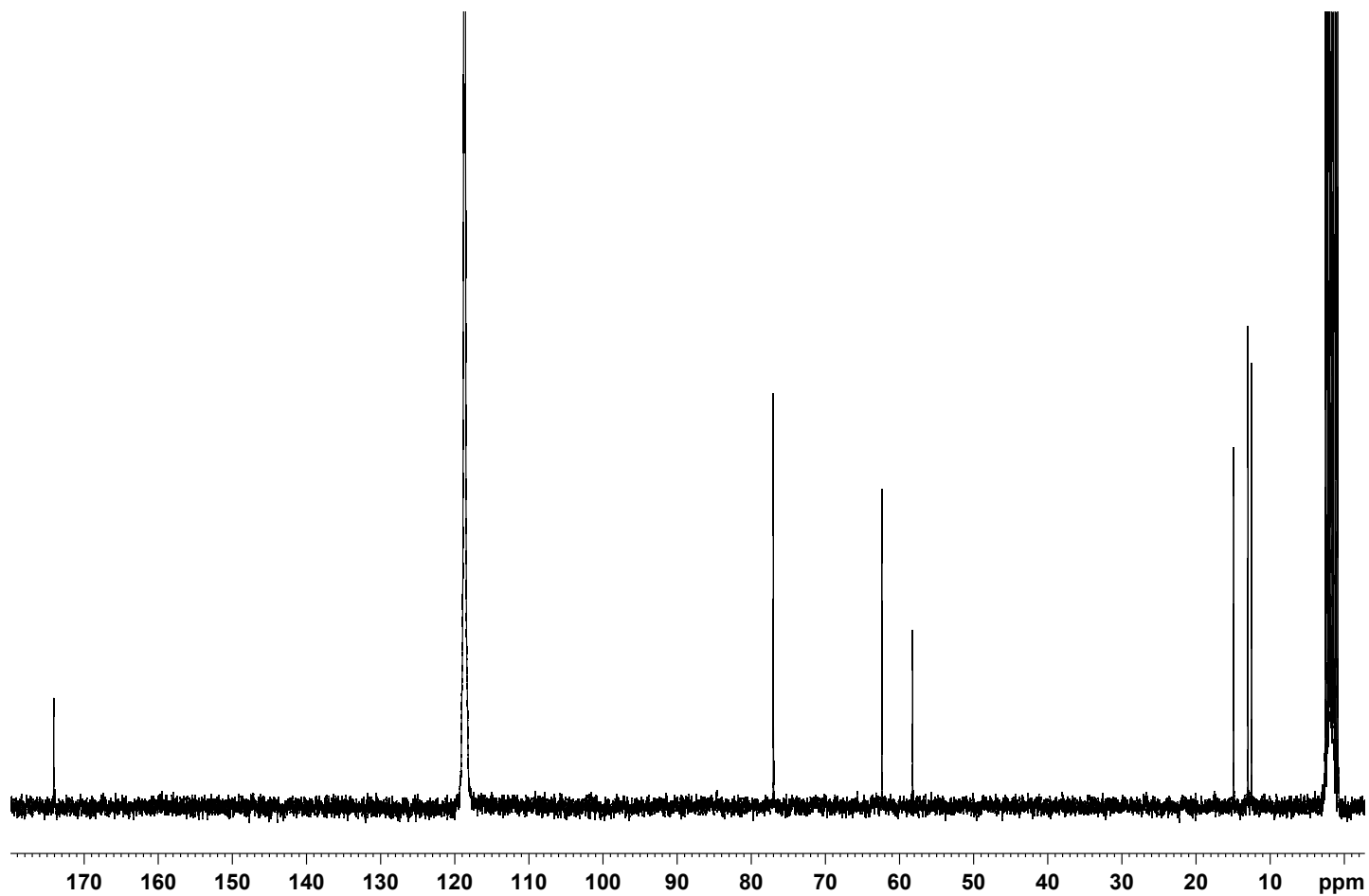
Supplementary Figure 32 | ¹H NMR spectrum of trigonic acid (6; CD₃CN).



Supplementary Figure 33 | ^{13}C NMR spectrum of trigonic acid (6; CD_3CN).

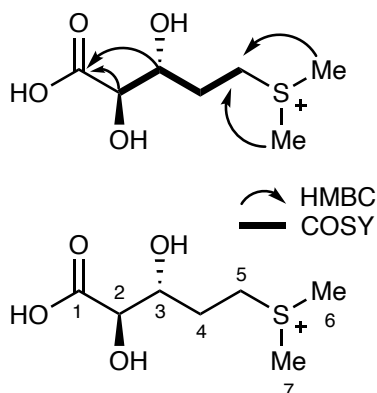


Supplementary Figure 34 | ¹H NMR spectrum of ethyl *R*-2-hydroxy-2-(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)acetate (CD₃CN).



Supplementary Figure 35 | ^{13}C NMR spectrum of ethyl *R*-2-hydroxy-2-(1-hydroxycyclopropyl)acetate (CD_3CN).

Supplementary Tables



Supplementary Table 1. NMR shifts of gonydiol.

Gonydiol (5)		
CD ₃ OD (151/600 MHz, 298 K)		
Position	δ_{C}	δ_{H} (m, J [Hz])
1	175.4	-
2	75.3	4.16 (d, 4.4)
3	72.4	3.98 (m)
4	27.5	2.13–2.0 (m)
5	42.6	3.48–3.37 (m)
6/7	26.0/25.4	2.91 (s)/2.89 (s)

Supplementary Table 2. X-ray data collection and refinement statistics.

	<i>BurG (holo)</i> <i>NAD⁺, Mg²⁺</i>	<i>BurG (apo)</i>	<i>BurG:7</i> <i>NAD⁺, Mg²⁺</i>	<i>BurG:8</i> <i>NAD⁺, Mg²⁺</i>	<i>BurG:11</i> <i>NAD⁺, Mg²⁺</i>
Crystal parameters					
Space group	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	P3 ₁ 21	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁
Cell constants	a = 75.5 Å b = 82.7 Å c = 100.9 Å	a = b = 61.3 Å c = 190.0 Å	a = 75.6 Å b = 83.3 Å c = 101.2 Å	a = 75.7 Å b = 84.5 Å c = 46.2 Å	a = 75.7 Å b = 84.0 Å c = 101.8 Å
CPs / AU ^a	2	2	2	1	2
Data collection					
Beam line	X06SA, SLS	X06SA, SLS	X06SA, SLS	X06SA, SLS	X06SA, SLS
Wavelength (Å)	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Resolution range (Å) ^b	301.85 (1.95–1.85)	30–2.9 (3.0–2.9)	30–1.9 (2.0–1.9)	30–1.9 (2.0–1.9)	30–2.05 (2.15–2.05)
No. observations	239383	46397	209399	105003	153538
No. unique reflections ^c	54278	9678	49898	23699	40538
Completeness (%) ^b	99.4 (99.7)	99.0 (100)	97.7 (99.5)	98.4 (99.1)	97.8 (98.6)
R _{merge} (%) ^{b, d}	9.6 (57.0)	6.5 (58.8)	8.5 (57.1)	7.4 (56.9)	9.7 (55.8)
I/σ (I) ^b	8.8 (2.5)	14.2 (2.0)	10.2 (2.1)	11.9 (2.7)	8.5 (2.9)
Refinement (REFMAC5)					
Resolution range (Å)	30–1.85	30–2.9	30–1.9	30–1.9	30–2.05
No. refl. working set	51548	9184	47391	22473	38498
No. refl. test set	2713	483	2494	1181	2026
No. non hydrogen	5574	2527	5545	2756	5541
No. of cofactors	2	-	2	1	2
No. of Mg ²⁺ atoms	4	-	4	2	4
No. of ligands	-	-	2	1	2
Solvent	261	10	214	70	220
R _{work} /R _{free} (%) ^c	18.5/21.6	21.9/24.7	19.5/22.8	19.8/22.5	18.8 /21.8
r.m.s.d. bond (Å) / (angle) ^f	0.003/1.2	0.002/1.2	0.003/1.2	0.002/1.2	0.002/1.3
Average B-factor (Å ²)					
Protein	24.5	86.5	29.6	30.3	25.4
Ligand	21.9	-	28.9	28.8	22.3
Solvent	29.8	-	32.1	35.6	29.9
Ramachandran Plot (%) ^g	97.4/2.4/0.2	96.8/3.0/0.2	98.5/1.3/0.2	97.8/2.0/0.2	98.2/1.6/0.2
Clashscore, all atoms ^h	2.7	2.4	2.5	1.9	2.5
PDB accession code	7PCC	7PCE	7PCG	7PCI	7PCL

^[a] Asymmetric unit

^[b] The values in parentheses for resolution range, completeness, R_{merge} and I/σ (I) correspond to the highest resolution shell

^[c] Data reduction was carried out with XDS and from a single crystal. Friedel pairs were treated as identical reflections

^[d] $R_{\text{merge}}(I) = \frac{\sum_{\text{hkl}} \sum_j |I(\text{hkl})_j - \langle I(\text{hkl}) \rangle|}{\sum_{\text{hkl}} \sum_j I(\text{hkl})_j}$, where $I(\text{hkl})_j$ is the j^{th} measurement of the intensity of reflection hkl and $\langle I(\text{hkl}) \rangle$ is the average intensity

^[e] $R = \frac{\sum_{\text{hkl}} (|F_{\text{obs}}| - |F_{\text{calc}}|)}{\sum_{\text{hkl}} |F_{\text{obs}}|}$, where R_{free} is calculated without a sigma cut off for a randomly chosen 5% of reflections, which were not used for structure refinement, and R_{work} is calculated for the remaining reflections

^[f] Deviations from ideal bond lengths/angles

^[g] Percentage of residues in favoured region / allowed region / outlier region

^[h] Number of steric overlaps (> 0.4 Å) per 1000 atoms⁵²

Supplementary Table 2. X-ray data collection and refinement statistics (continued).

	<i>BurG:13</i> <i>NADH, Mg²⁺</i>	<i>BurG:14 (NADH, Mg²⁺)/</i> <i>BurG:6 (NAD⁺, Mg²⁺)</i>	<i>BurG-E232Q:12</i> <i>NAD⁺, Mg²⁺</i>	<i>BurG-E232Q:15</i> <i>NAD⁺, Mg²⁺</i>
Crystal parameters				
Space group	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	P2 ₁	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	P2 ₁
Cell constants	a = 75.8 Å b = 83.6 Å c = 100.7 Å	a = 55.9 Å b = 76.1 Å c = 79.1 Å β = 105.1°	a = 75.7 Å b = 83.4 Å c = 104.8 Å	a = 55.3 Å b = 76.0 Å c = 78.2 Å β = 106.1°
CPs / AU ^a	2	2	2	2
Data collection				
Beam line	X06SA, SLS	X06SA, SLS	X06SA, SLS	X06SA, SLS
Wavelength (Å)	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Resolution range (Å) ^b	30–2.05 (2.15–2.05)	30–1.6 (1.7–1.6)	30–1.55 (1.65–1.55)	30–1.35 (1.45–1.35)
No. observations	177924	257794	321312	420339
No. unique reflections ^c	40243	82909	93303	139870
Completeness (%) ^b	98.5 (99.3)	98.2 (99.2)	96.4 (98.1)	97.3 (96.4)
R _{merge} (%) ^{b, d}	11.2 (59.6)	9.1 (57.3)	8.2 (54.9)	6.8 (53.6)
I/σ (I) ^b	8.2 (2.4)	8.1 (2.0)	8.2 (2.1)	8.3 (2.0)
Refinement (REFMAC5)				
Resolution range (Å)	30–2.05	30–1.6	30–1.55	30–1.35
No. refl. working set	38214	78752	88624	132865
No. refl. test set	2012	4145	4665	6993
No. non hydrogen	5437	5932	5765	6080
No. of cofactors	2	2/2 ⁱ	2	2
No. of Mg ²⁺ atoms	4	4	4	4
No. of ligands	2	2/4 ⁱ	2	2 ^j
Solvent	112	473	430	761
R _{work} /R _{free} (%) ^c	20.3/23.9	13.5/15.9	16.9/19.7	15.6/16.9
r.m.s.d. bond (Å) / (angle) ^f	0.003/1.3	0.006/1.4	0.007/1.5	0.006/1.4
Average B-factor (Å ²)				
Protein	30.9	18.9	18.7	14.0
Ligand	29.1	15.5	17.4	12.9
Solvent	27.8	28.6	26.7	25.6
Ramachandran Plot (%) ^g	96.8/3.0/0.2	97.7/2.1/0.2	97.7/2.1/0.2	98.3/1.5/0.2
Clashscore, all atoms ^h	2.4	2.3	2.4	1.4
PDB accession code	7PCM	7PCN	7PCO	7PCT

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^[d] $R_{\text{merge}}(I) = \frac{\sum_{\text{hkl}} \sum_j |I(\text{hkl})_j - \langle I(\text{hkl}) \rangle|}{\sum_{\text{hkl}} \sum_j I(\text{hkl})_j}$, where $I(\text{hkl})_j$ is the j^{th} measurement of the intensity of reflection hkl and $\langle I(\text{hkl}) \rangle$ is the average intensity

^[e] $R = \frac{\sum_{\text{hkl}} (|F_{\text{obs}}| - |F_{\text{calc}}|)}{\sum_{\text{hkl}} |F_{\text{obs}}|}$, where R_{free} is calculated without a sigma cut off for a randomly chosen 5% of reflections, which were not used for structure refinement, and R_{work} is calculated for the remaining reflections

^[f] Deviations from ideal bond lengths/angles

^[g] Percentage of residues in favoured region / allowed region / outlier region

^[h] Number of steric overlaps (> 0.4 Å) per 1000 atoms⁵²

^[i] The active site contains **14** and NADH as well as **6**, DMS and NAD⁺ with occupancies of 0.5, respectively

^[j] **15**: The metabolite is enol-oxaloacetate and was co-purified from the *E. coli* lysate (Supplementary Fig. 8).

Supplementary Table 3. Bacterial strains used in this study.

Strain	Relevant characteristics	Source or reference
<i>E. coli</i>		
TOP10	General cloning host strain	Invitrogen
XL1-Blue	General cloning host strain; Tet ^R	Stratagene
Rosetta2 (DE3)	Protein production host strain carrying rare codon; Cm ^R	Novagen
BL21 (DE3)	Protein production host strain	NEB
pET28a- <i>burC</i>	Overexpressing <i>burC</i>	This study
pET28a- <i>burG</i>	Overexpressing <i>burG</i>	This study
pET28a- <i>burG</i> E232Q	Overexpression <i>burG</i> E232Q	This study
<i>B. thailandensis</i>		
E264	Prototroph; environmental isolate	DSMZ
E264 <i>Pbur</i>	Promotor of <i>burA</i> was exchanged with $\Delta PthaA$; Tet ^R	⁹
E264 <i>Pbur</i> , <i>burG</i> :: <i>Kan</i>	Kan cassette inserted into <i>burG</i> ; Tet ^R Kan ^R	This study

Supplementary Table 4. Primers used in this study.

Primer	Nucleotide sequence (5' to 3')	Source or reference
Isomerase fw	TCG ACG ATG AAC GGC ACC CG	This study
Isomerase rv	AAG CGC TCG GCG AGC CAT CG	This study
Isomerase fw2	CGT GAT CGG CTA CGG CAT CC	This study
Isomerase rv2	GCG TAG TCG TTC GAT GCC TG	This study
burC4-fw-NdeI	GGT CAT ATG GAT AGC TTC ATC GAA CTG CAA	This study
burC-rv-EcoRI	GGT GAA TTC TCA GTC GGT CAG GCT GAC GAG	This study
burG-fw-NheI	GGT GCT AGC AAC GAT CTC ATC TAT CAG GAC GAA CAC	This study
burG-rv-HindIII	GGT AAG CTT TCA TCG CGC GGC CTC AGG TTC G	This study

Supplementary Table 5. Vectors and plasmids used in this study.

Plasmid	Relevant characteristics	Source or reference
Vectors		
pGEM [®] T-easy	TA cloning vector; Amp ^R	Promega
pCR [™] 2.1	TA cloning vector; Kan ^R	Invitrogen
pJET 1.2	Blunt end cloning vector; Amp ^R	ThermoScientific
pET28a(+)	His6-tagged protein overexpression vector using the T7 bacteriophage promoter; Kan ^R	Novagen
Plasmids		
pGEM-Isomerase	pGEM T-easy containing <i>burG</i> from <i>B. thailandensis</i> ; Amp ^R	This study
pGEM- <i>burG</i> ::Kan	pGEM-Isomerase inserting Kan ^R in <i>burG</i> ; Amp ^R Kan ^R	This study
pCR- <i>burC</i>	pCR 2.1 containing <i>burC</i> from <i>B. thailandensis</i> ; Kan ^R	This study
pET28a- <i>burC</i>	pET28a encoding <i>burC</i> ; Kan ^R	This study
pJET- <i>burG</i>	pJET 1.2 containing <i>burG</i> ; Amp ^R	This study
pET28a- <i>burG</i>	pET28a encoding <i>burG</i> ; Kan ^R	This study
pJET- <i>burG</i> E232Q	pJET 1.2 containing synthetic <i>burG</i> E232Q; Amp ^R	This study
pET28a- <i>burG</i> E232Q	pET28a encoding <i>burG</i> E232Q; Kan ^R	This study

Supplementary Table 6. KARI sequences used for phylogenetic analysis.

Protein	Source	Accession No.
Dimeric bacterial KARI		
IlvC_Avit	<i>Agrobacterium vitis</i>	WP_070165060.1
ILVC_AZOVD	<i>Azotobacter vinelandii</i> DJ	C1DFH7.1
IlvC_Bcon	<i>Burkholderia contaminans</i> (multi species)	WP_098551046.1
IlvC_Bokl	<i>Burkholderia oklahomensis</i> (multi species)	WP_010102500.1
IlvC_Bubo	<i>Burkholderia ubonensis</i> (multi species)	WP_042585926.1
ILVC_BURP6	<i>Burkholderia pseudomallei</i> 668	A3N7K4.1
ILVC_BURTA	<i>Burkholderia thailandensis</i> E264	Q2SZP8
ILVC_CHRVO	<i>Chromobacterium violaceum</i> ATCC 12472	Q7P0H9.1
ILVC_CORGL	<i>Corynebacterium glutamicum</i> ATCC 13032	Q57179.1
ILVC_CORU7	<i>Corynebacterium urealyticum</i> DSM 7109	B1VG26.1
ILVC_CROSS	<i>Crocospaera subtropica</i> ATCC 51142	B1WNP1.1
ILVC_GLOC7	<i>Gloeotheca citrifomis</i> PCC 7424	B7KF23.1
ILVC_GLOVI	<i>Gloeobacter violaceus</i> PCC 7421	Q7NH80.1
IlvC_Mnig	<i>Micromonospora nigra</i>	WP_091084837.1
ILVC_MYCTU	<i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i> H37Rv	P9WKJ7.2
ILVC_MYCUA	<i>Mycobacterium ulcerans</i> Agy99	A0PPY3
IlvC_Niri	<i>Nitrospirillum iridis</i>	WP_184805695.1
ILVC_PROM0	<i>Prochlorococcus marinus</i> str. MIT 9301	A3PEE9.1
ILVC_PROM3	<i>Prochlorococcus marinus</i> str. MIT 9303	A2CB87.1
IlvC_Plrc	<i>Pseudomonas</i> sp. lrc hel s3b6	WP_003228216.1
IlvC_Ssyr	<i>Saccharothrix syringae</i>	WP_033431529.1
ILVC_STAA	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	6VO2
ILVC_STAA8	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> subsp. <i>aureus</i> NCTC 8325	Q2FWK4.1
LVC_STRAW	<i>Streptomyces avermitilis</i> MA-4680	Q59818.2
ILVC1_STRCO	<i>Streptomyces coelicolor</i> A3(2)	Q9Z565.1
IlvC_Sgle	<i>Streptomyces glebosus</i> (multi species)	WP_085925153.1
ILVC_STRGG	<i>Streptomyces griseus</i> subsp. <i>griseus</i> NBRC 13350	B1VZ72.1
ILVC_Smob	<i>Streptomyces mobaraensis</i> DSM 40847	EME98748.1
ILVC_SYNE7	<i>Synechococcus elongatus</i> PCC 7942	Q31MY7.2
ILVC_SYNJA	<i>Synechococcus</i> sp. JA-3-3Ab	Q2JXL2.1
ILVC_XANOP	<i>Xanthomonas oryzae</i> pv. <i>oryzae</i> PXO99A	B2SNG5
ILVC_XANCP	<i>Xanthomonas campestris</i> pv. <i>campestris</i> ATCC 33913	Q8P5L5
Pseudodimeric bacterial KARI		
ILVC_BUCAI	<i>Buchnera aphidicola</i> subsp. <i>Acyrtosiphon pisum</i> APS	P57655
ILVC_BUCAP	<i>Buchnera aphidicola</i> subsp. <i>Schizaphis graminum</i> Sg	O51888
ILVC_ECOLI	<i>E. coli</i>	P05793.4
ILVC_ECO5E	<i>E. coli</i>	B5YY23.1
ILVC_HAEIN	<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> ATCC 51907	P44822
ILVC_HAEIG	<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> PittEE	A5UHH1.1
ILVC_SALAR	<i>Salmonella arizonae</i> ATCC BAA-731	A9MJN4
ILVC_SALCH	<i>Salmonella choleraesuis</i> SC-B67	Q57HU2
ILVC_VIBCH	<i>Vibrio cholerae</i> ATCC 39315	Q9KVI4
ILVC_VIBPA	<i>Vibrio parahaemolyticus</i> RIMD 2210633	Q87TN4
ILVC_YERE8	<i>Yersinia enterocolitica</i> NCTC 13174	A1JI57
ILVC_YERPY	<i>Yersinia pseudotuberculosis</i> strain YPIII	B1JQ26

Eucaryotic KARI		
ILV5_ARATH	chloroplastic <i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i>	Q05758
ILV5_NEUCR	mitochondrial <i>Neurospora crassa</i> ATCC 24698	P38674
ILV5_ORYSJ	chloroplastic <i>Oryza sativa</i> subsp. <i>japonica</i>	Q65XK0
ILV5_SCHPO	mitochondrial <i>Schizosaccharomyces pombe</i> ATCC 24843	P78827
ILV5_SPIOL	chloroplastic <i>Spinacia oleracea</i>	Q01292
ILV5_YEAST	mitochondrial <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> ATCC 204508	P06168
BurG in <i>Burkholderia pseudomallei</i> complex bacteria		
BurG_Bcon	<i>Burkholderia contaminans</i>	WP_047853400.1
BurG_Bokl	<i>Burkholderia oklahomensis</i>	WP_010107715.1
BurG_Bpse	<i>Burkholderia pseudomallei</i>	WP_009975226.1
BurG_Btha	<i>Burkholderia thailandensis</i> E264	ABC34926.1
BurG_Bubo	<i>Burkholderia ubonensis</i>	WP_059480468.1
BurG orthologues in other bacteria		
BurG_Avit	<i>Agrobacterium vitis</i>	WP_071204337.1
BurG_Mnig	<i>Micromonospora nigra</i>	WP_091082404.1
BurG_Msp	<i>Micromonospora</i> sp. MMS20-R2-29	MBM7086350.1
BurG_Niri	<i>Nitrospirillum iridis</i>	WP_184807076.1
BurG_Nchr	<i>Nocardiopsis chromatogenes</i>	WP_017624912.1
BurG_Plrc	<i>Pseudomonas</i> sp. Irchel s3b6	WP_095144278.1
BurG_Sbry	<i>Streptomyces bryophytorum</i>	MBM9435269.1
BurG_Sgle	<i>Streptomyces glebosus</i>	GFE12740.1
BurG_Smob	<i>Streptomyces mobaraensis</i> DSM 40847	EME99410.1
BurG_Ssyr	<i>Saccharothrix syringae</i>	WP_033429234.1

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