

## Supplementary Material

### An enantiopure building block for naturally occurring hydroporphyrins and vitamin B<sub>12</sub> from Hagemann's ester

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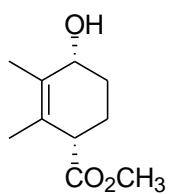
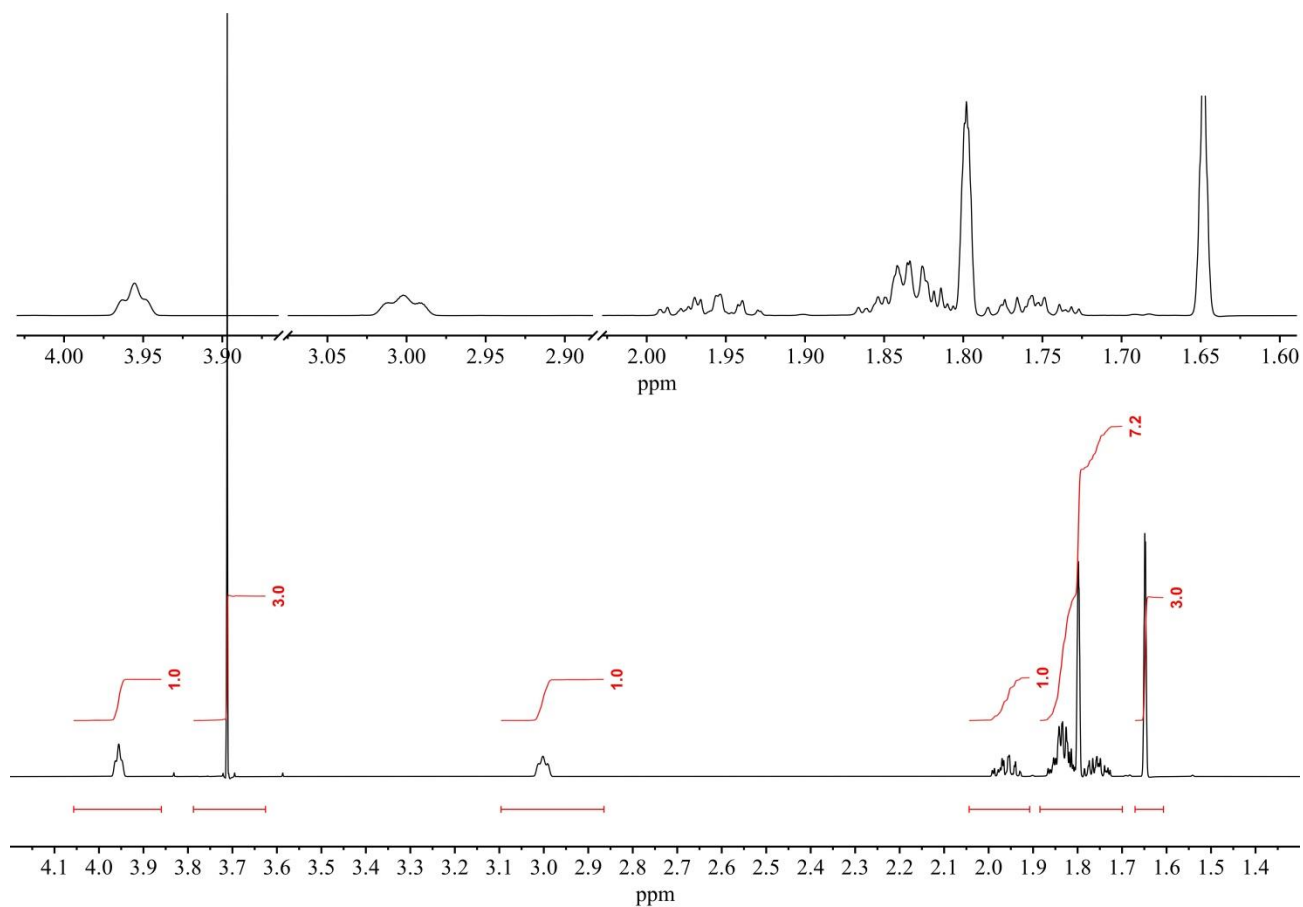
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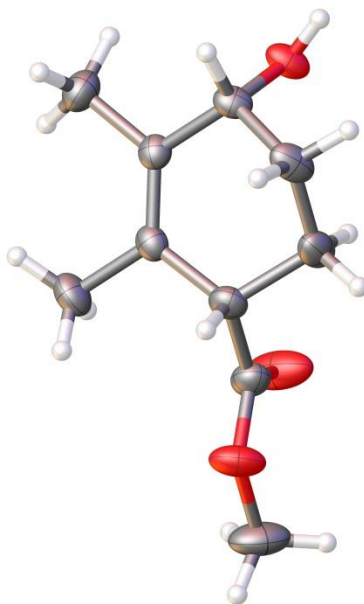
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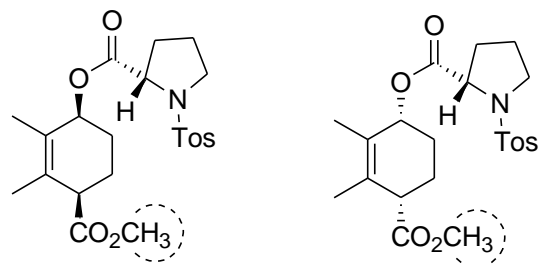
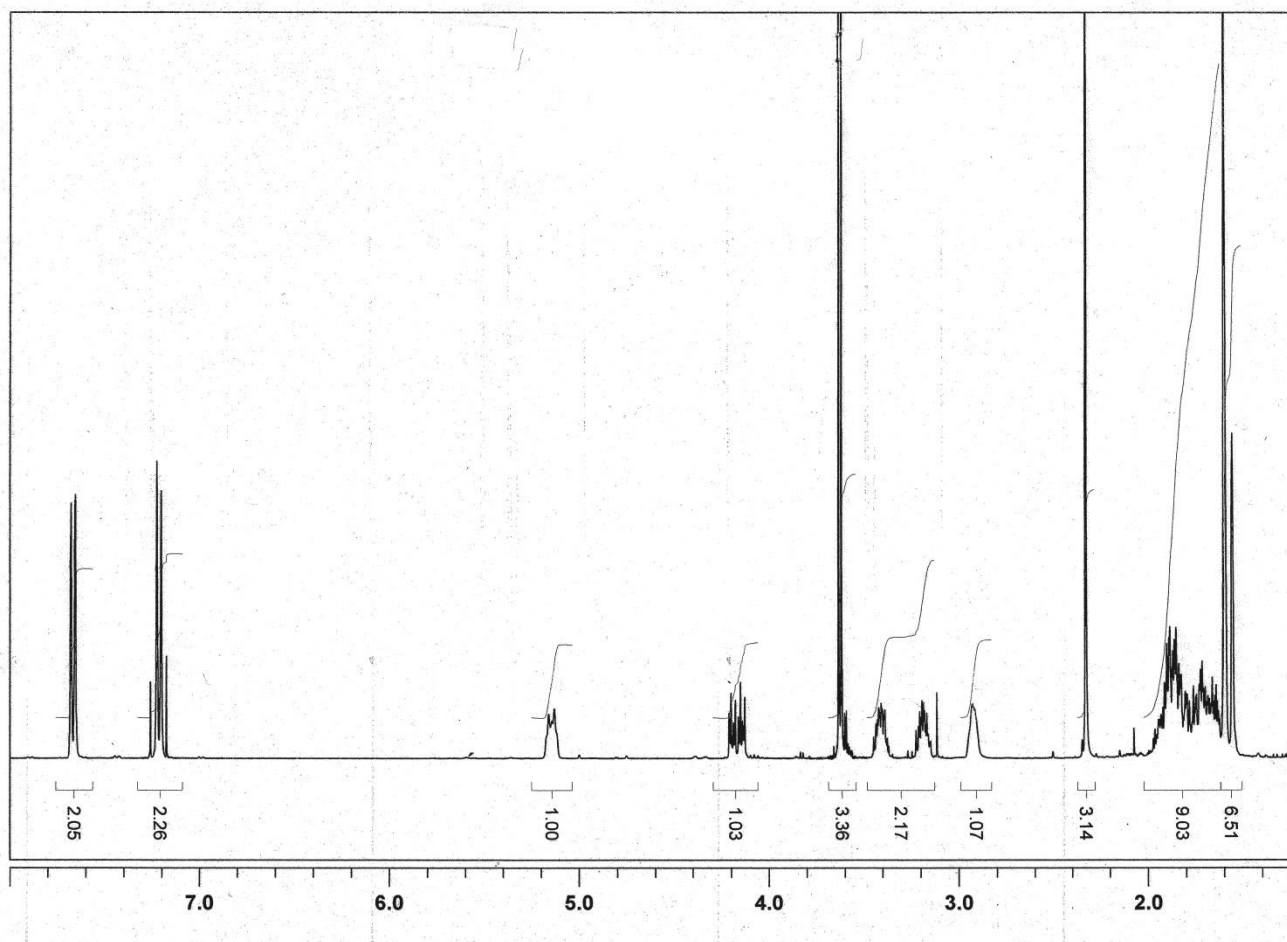
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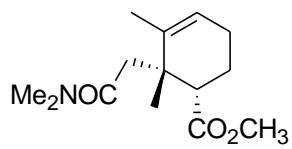
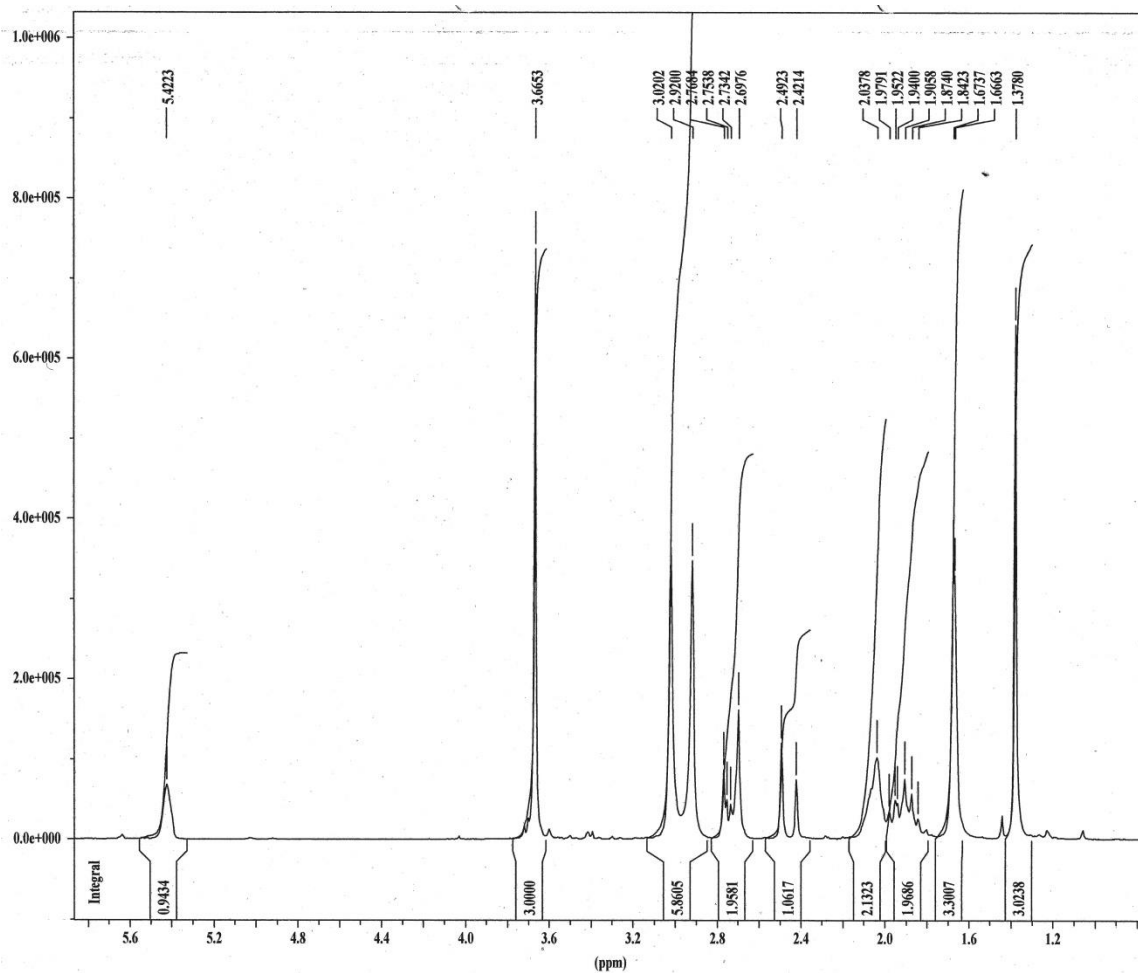
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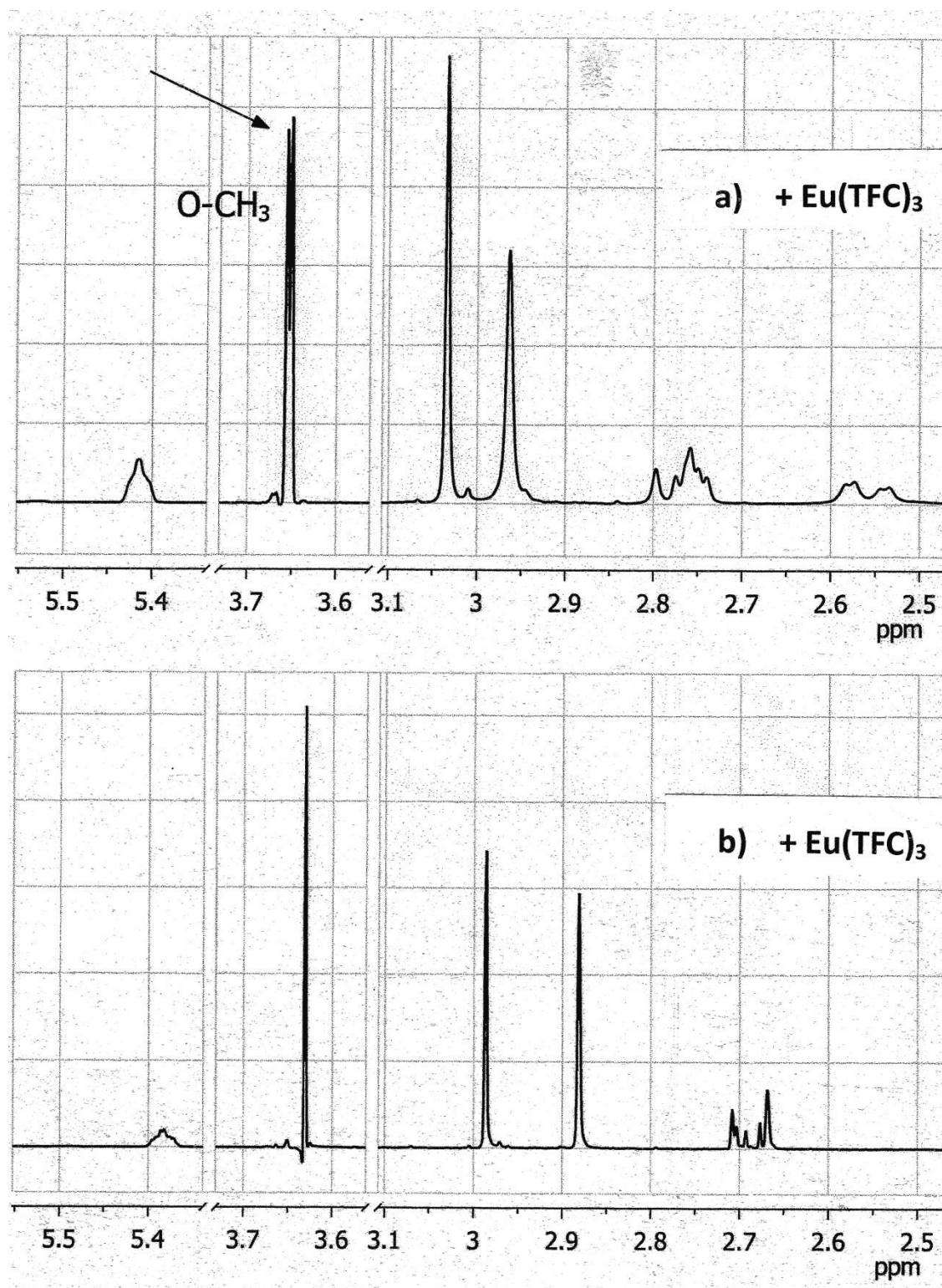
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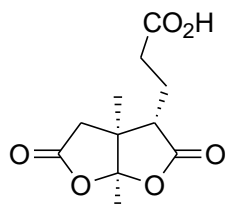
**X-Ray crystal-structure analysis of *rac*-5:** C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>3</sub> M 184.23, thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50% level. Monoclinic, space group P2<sub>1</sub>/n, D<sub>c</sub> = 1.1212 [Mg/m<sup>3</sup>], Z = 8, unit cell a = 1289.2(2), b = 776.60(10), c = 2114.1(3) [pm],  $\alpha = 90^\circ$ ,  $\beta = 107.420(10)^\circ$ ,  $\gamma = 90^\circ$ , V = 2.0196(5) [nm<sup>3</sup>],  $\mu(\text{MoK}\alpha) = 0.088[\text{mm}^{-1}]$ , wR<sub>2</sub> = 0.1388. Deposition Number: CCDC 2040266.



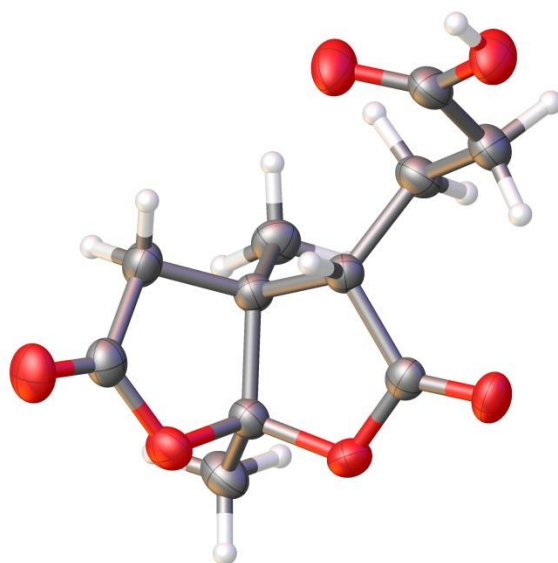
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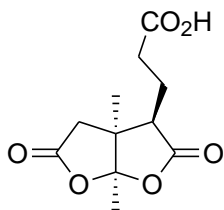
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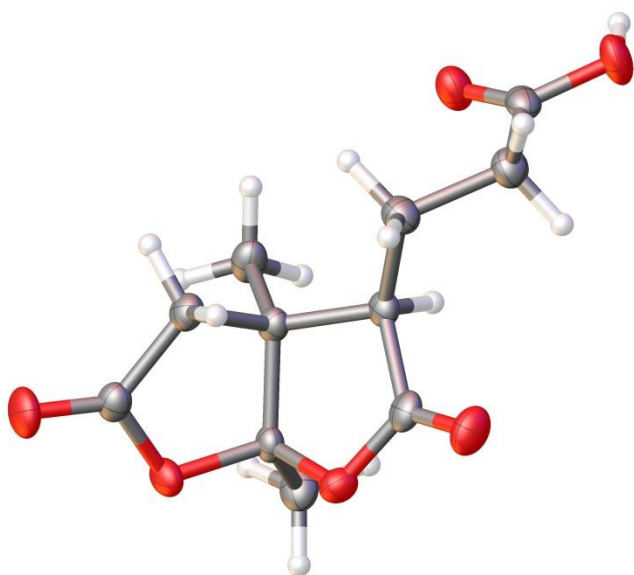
**Compound *rac-8***

**X-Ray crystal-structure analysis of *rac-8*:** C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>6</sub> M 242.22, thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50 % level. Monoclinic, space group P2<sub>1</sub>/c, D<sub>c</sub> = 1.422 [Mg/m<sup>3</sup>], Z = 4, unit cell a = 675.30(10), b = 1701.1(2), c = 1037.70(10) [pm],  $\alpha = 90^\circ$ ,  $\beta = 108.340(10)^\circ$ ,  $\gamma = 90^\circ$ , V = 1.1315(2) [nm<sup>3</sup>],  $\mu(\text{MoK}\alpha) = 0.117$  [mm<sup>-1</sup>], wR<sub>2</sub> = 0.1129. Deposition Number: CCDC 2040263.

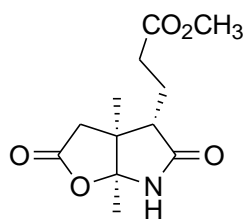


**Compound *epi-rac-8***

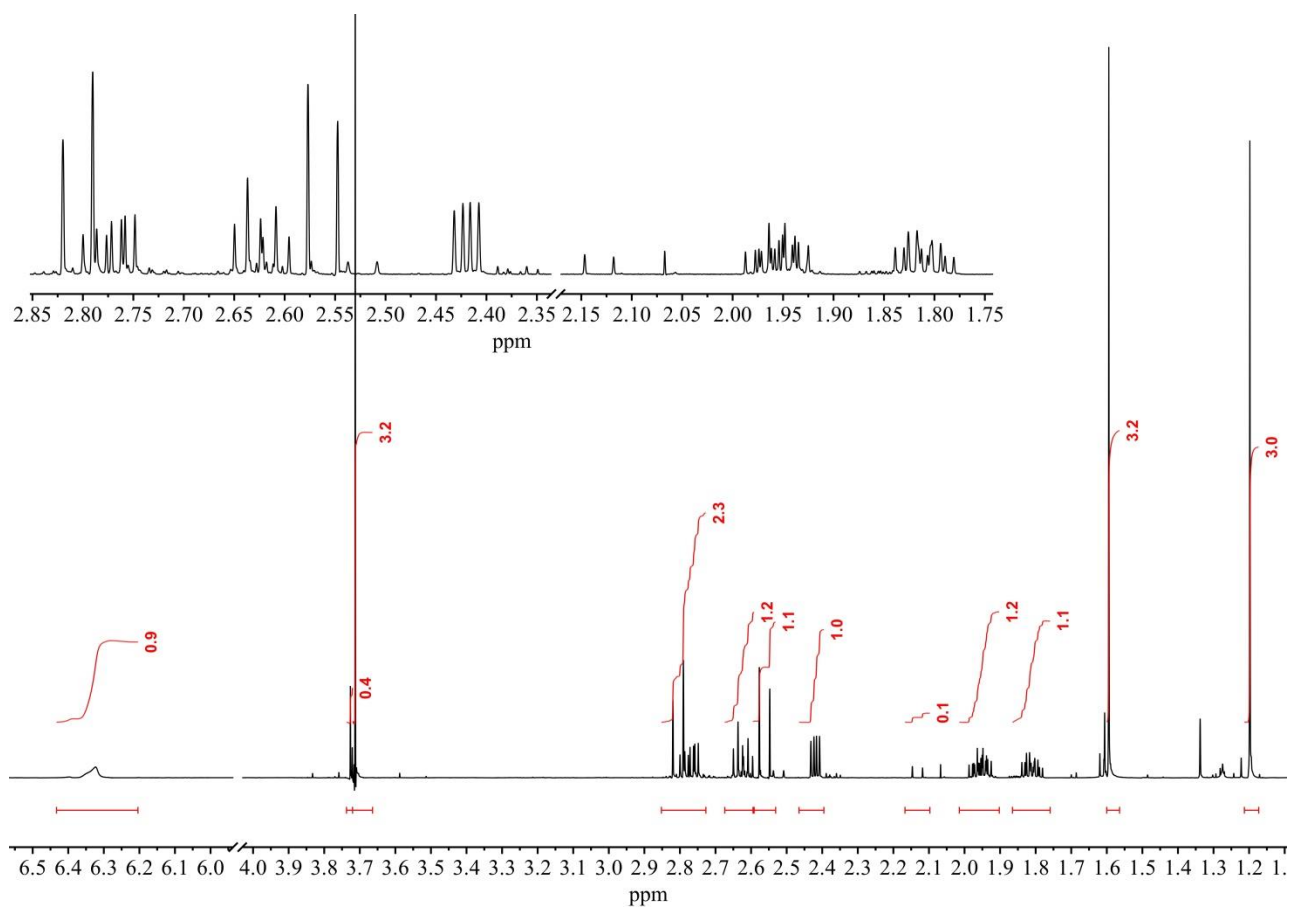
**X-Ray crystal-structure analysis of *epi-rac-8*:** C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>6</sub> M 242.22, thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50 % level. Monoclinic, space group P2<sub>1</sub>/c, D<sub>C</sub> = 1.433 [Mg/m<sup>3</sup>], Z = 4, unit cell a = 811.00(10), b = 2001.5(3), c = 714.8(3) [pm], α = 90°, β = 104.62(2)°, γ = 90°, V = 1.1224(5) [nm<sup>3</sup>], μ(MoKα) = 0.118 [mm<sup>-1</sup>], wR<sub>2</sub> = 0.1762. Deposition Number: CCDC 2040267.



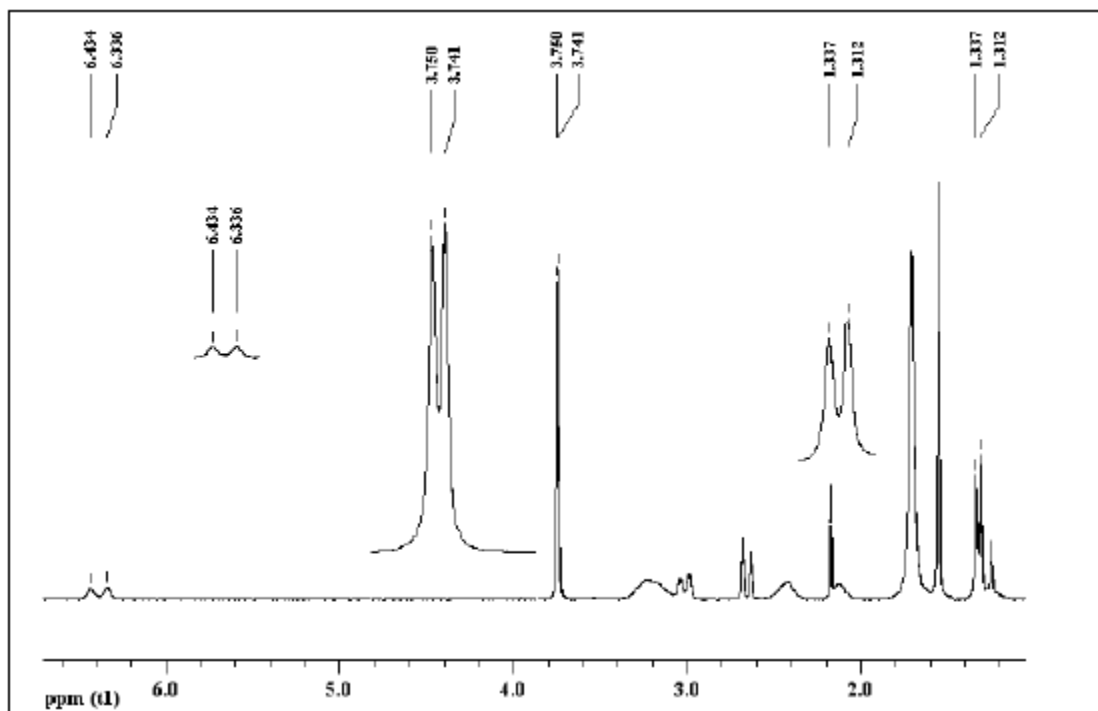


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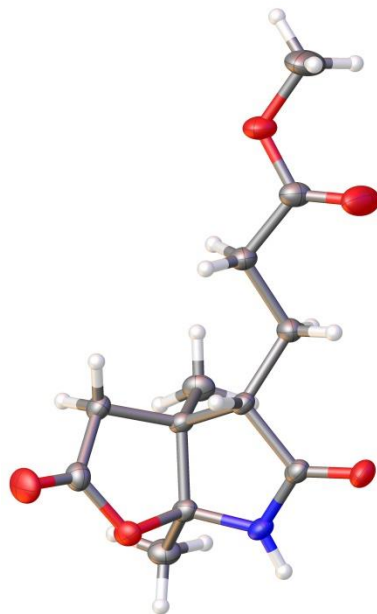
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 3 + trace of 2-*epi*-3

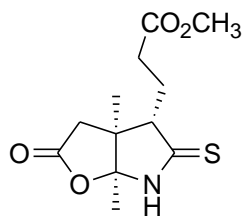


$^1\text{H}$  NMR (360 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) shift experiment on *rac*-3 with  $\text{Eu}(\text{TFC})_3$ . Split off of -NH,  $-\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3$  and  $1-\text{CH}_3$  signals.

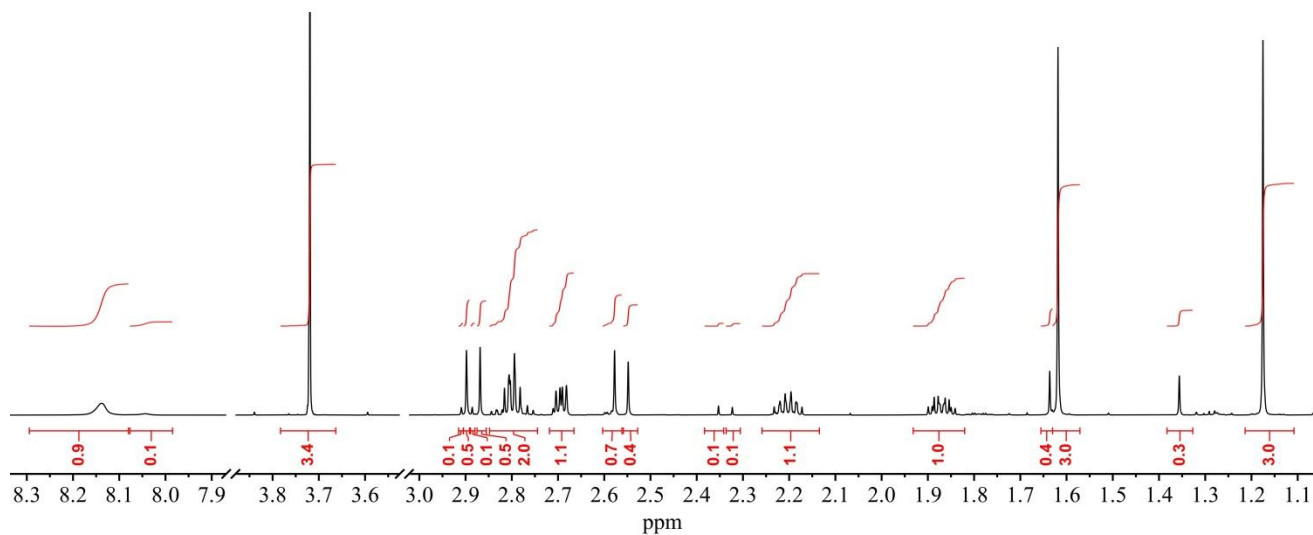
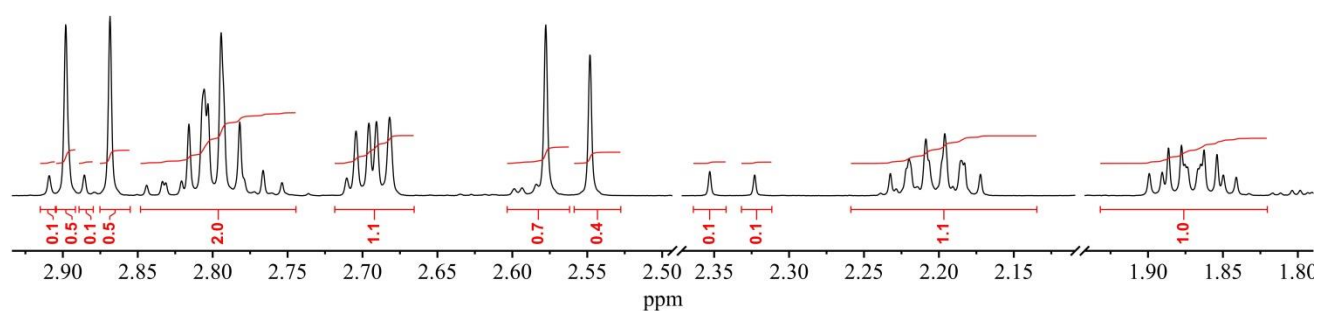


**X-Ray crystal-structure analysis of *rac*-3:**  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_3$  M 255.27, thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50 % level. Triclinic, space group P-1,  $D_c = 1.340$  [ $\text{Mg}/\text{m}^3$ ],  $Z = 2$ , unit cell  $a = 669.80(10)$ ,  $b = 859.80(10)$ ,  $c = 1189.1(2)$  [pm],  $\alpha = 98.470(10)^\circ$ ,  $\beta = 104.930(10)^\circ$ ,  $\gamma = 101.950(10)^\circ$ ,  $V = 0.63259(16)$  [ $\text{nm}^3$ ],  $\mu(\text{MoK}\alpha) = 0.105$  [ $\text{mm}^{-1}$ ],  $wR_2 = 0.1297$ . Deposition Number : CCDC 2040265.

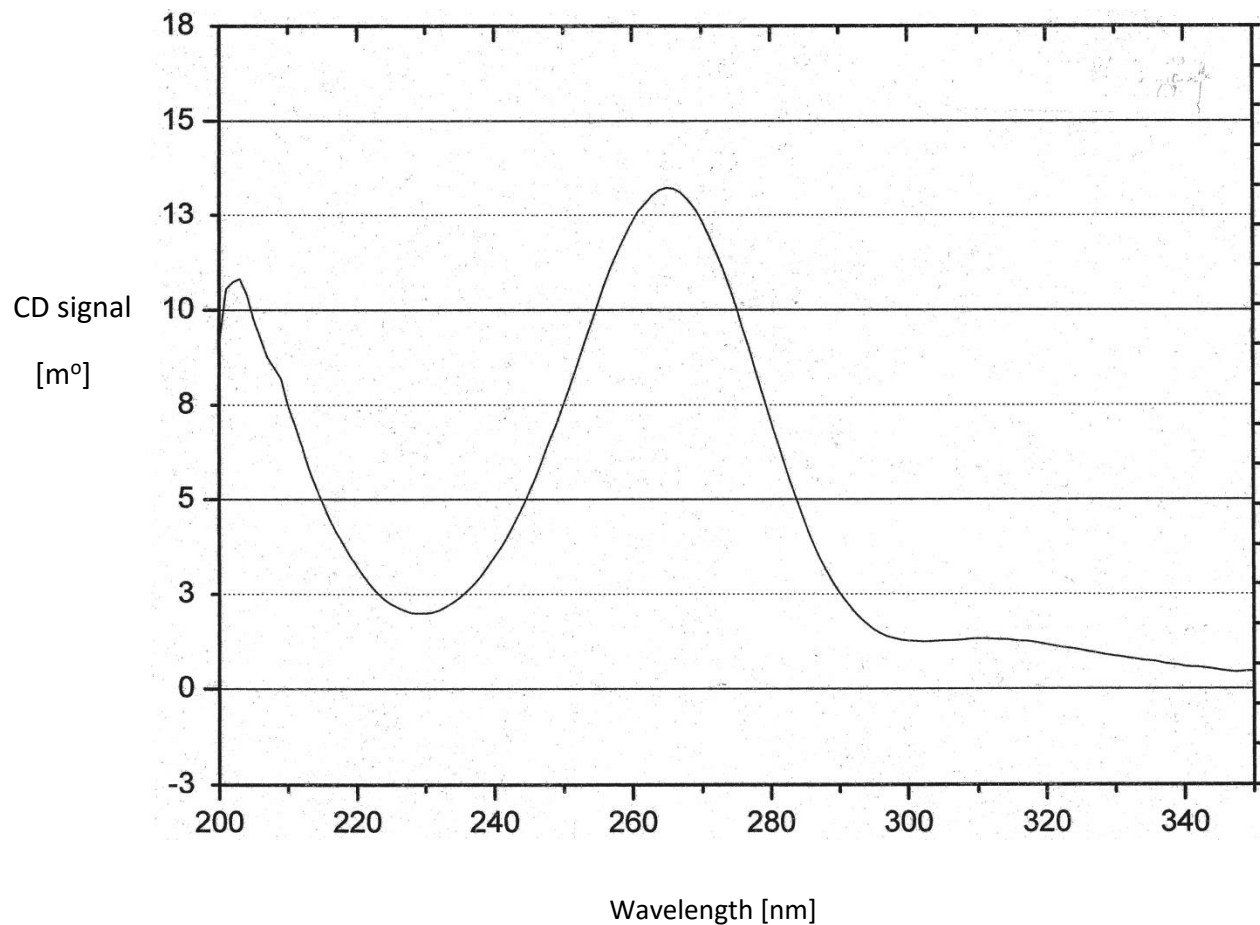


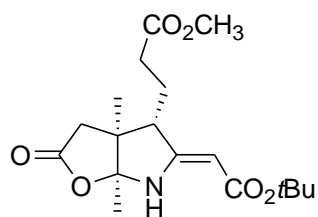
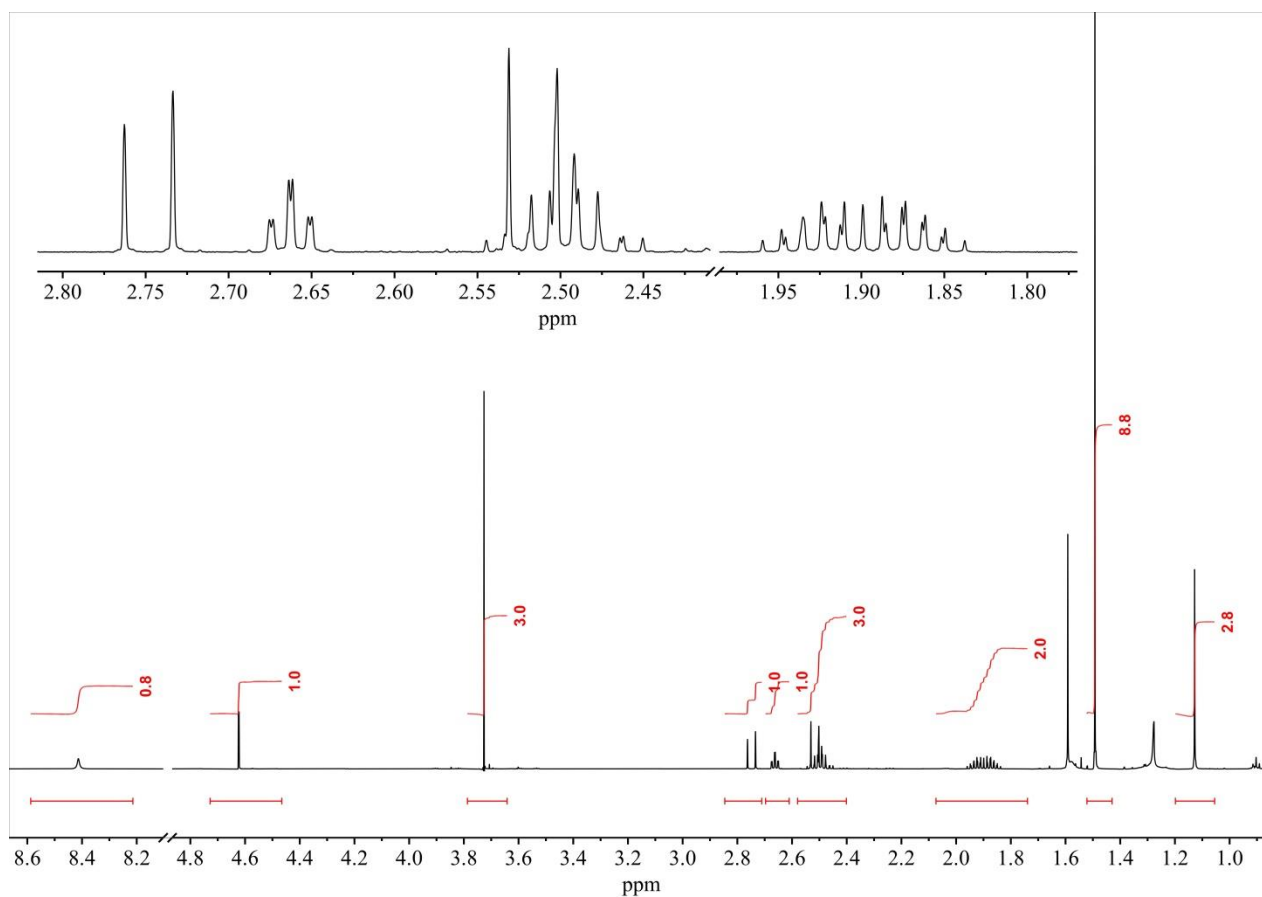
**Compound 10**

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 10 + ca. 10 % of 2-*epi*-10**

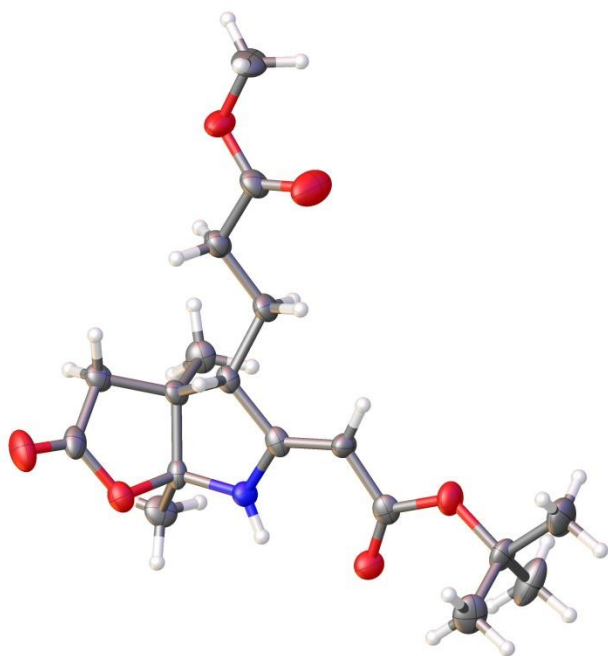


CD spectrum in CH<sub>3</sub>OH [c = 9.40 × 10<sup>-5</sup> M, Θ(λ) = 1415 (267 nm)]



**Compound 12/rac-12****<sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**

**X-Ray crystal-structure analysis of *rac*-12:**  $C_{18}H_{27}NO_6$  M 353.41, thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50 % level. Monoclinic, space group  $P2_1/n$ ,  $D_c = 1.247$  [ $Mg/m^3$ ],  $Z = 4$ , unit cell  $a = 669.1(2)$ ,  $b = 3324.9(6)$ ,  $c = 852.5(2)$  [pm],  $\alpha = 90^\circ$ ,  $\beta = 96.91(2)^\circ$ ,  $\gamma = 90^\circ$ ,  $V = 1.8828(8)$  [ $nm^3$ ],  $\mu(MoK\alpha) = 0.093$  [ $mm^{-1}$ ],  $wR_2 = 0.2179$ . Deposition Number: CCDC 2040264.



**CD spectrum of 12 in  $CH_3OH$**  [ $c = 2.86 \times 10^{-5} M$ ,  $\Theta(\lambda) = 7944$  (265)]

