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## Supporting Information

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### The Tuberculosis Drug Candidate SQ109 and its Analogs Have Multi-Stage Activity Against *Plasmodium falciparum*

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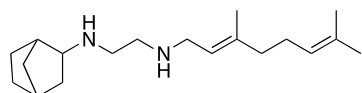
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## EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

### Chemistry

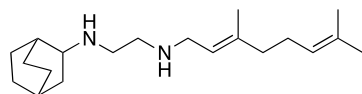
**General information:** All solvents and chemicals were used as purchased without further purification. The progress of all reactions was monitored using Merck silica gel 60 F254 plates mainly using chloroform/methanol/ammonia solutions as eluents. Norcamphor, 2-adamantanone, 3,3-dimethylallyl bromide, pyridinium chlorochromate and anhydrous methanol were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich; anhydrous ethylenediamine was purchased from TCI America; bicyclo[2.2.2]octan-2-one was purchased from Combi-Blocks; phenylacetaldehyde was purchased from Thermo Fisher Scientific; 3-phenoxybenzaldehyde was purchased from Ambeed Inc; 2-cyclohexylethanol was purchased from Alfa Aesar. <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker spectrometer (300 and 75 MHz), with TMS as an internal standard. Standard abbreviations indicating multiplicity were used as follows: s = singlet, d = doublet, dd = doublet of doublets, t = triplet, q = quadruplet, m = multiplet and br = broad. The structures of **10-14** and **22-26** were determined using <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C and HRMS. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra for the free amines were recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub>. HRMS experiments were performed on a micrOTOF-Q (Bruker) instrument while melting point data were collected using a Stuart Digital melting point apparatus (SMP30). qNMR data for new compounds were obtained at 600 MHz using a Bruker NEO spectrometer equipped with a Prodigy cryoprobe and a SampleXpress autosampler. Sample and trimethoxybenzene standard (TraceCERT®, Manufactured by Sigma-Aldrich Production GmbH, Switzerland) masses were typically ~5-10 mg and were measured on a Mettler balance with 0.001mg readability. 90-degree pulse excitation was used with 48 scans and a 1 minute recycle time. Data were processed using Mnova (Mestrelab Research) software.

*N*-(bicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-yl)-*N'*-(3,7-dimethylocta-2,6-dien-1-yl)ethane-1,2-diamine, **10**.



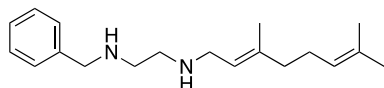
A mixture of the isoprenyl diamine (*E*)-*N'*-(3,7-dimethylocta-2,6-dienyl)ethane-1,2-diamine<sup>1,2</sup> (0.3 g, 2.72 mmol) and norcamphor (0.445 g, 2.27 mmol) in anhydrous methanol (15 mL) was stirred for 2 hours under nitrogen at room temperature. The reaction vessel was cooled to 0 °C and the resulting imine was reduced by adding NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.10 g, 2.27 mmol) gradually, the reaction was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred overnight. The reaction mixture was concentration *in vacuo* and water (15 mL) was added to quench excess NaBH<sub>4</sub>, the aqueous solution was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 20 mL), and the combined organic phase was washed with brine (20 mL), and the solution was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. The obtained crude product was purified via column chromatography on silica gel using CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH:NH<sub>4</sub>OH (88:10:2) as eluent to give a colorless oil (0.35 g, 53% yield) and converted to its HCl salt (an off-white solid; melting point: 165 °C – 169 °C) using a 1 M HCl solution in diethyl ether. Free base; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): δ<sub>H</sub> = 5.26 (m, 1H), 5.08 (m, 1H), 3.26 (2H, d, J = 9.0 Hz), 3.04 – 2.97 (m, 1H), 2.76 – 2.61 (4H), 2.28 – 2.25 (m, 1H), 2.14 – 1.94 (m, 5H), 1.93 – 1.82 (m, 3H), 1.65 (s, 3H), 1.61 (s, 3H), 1.57 (s, 3H), 1.52 – 1.41 (m, 1H), 1.36 – 1.12 (m, 5H), 0.68 – 0.57 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz); δ<sub>C</sub> = 137.82, 131.56, 124.19, 122.79, 59.76, 49.28, 48.08, 47.15, 39.70, 39.50, 38.19, 38.15, 36.74, 30.25, 26.56, 25.77, 20.61, 17.75, 16.37; HRMS (TOF-ESI) calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>2</sub> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 291.2800; found 291.2799.

*N*-(bicyclo[2.2.2]octan-2-yl)-*N'*-(3,7-dimethylocta-2,6-dien-1-yl)ethane-1,2-diamine, **11**.



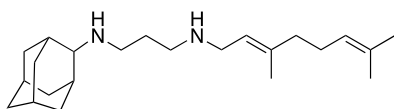
A mixture of isoprenyl diamine<sup>1,2</sup> (0.174 g, 0.885 mmol) and bicyclo[2,2,2]octan-2-one (0.10 g, 0.805 mmol) in anhydrous methanol (10 mL) was stirred for 2 hours under nitrogen at room temperature. The reaction vessel was cooled to 0 °C using an ice-bath and the resulting imine was reduced by adding NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.046 g, 1.21 mmol) gradually, the reaction was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred overnight. The reaction mixture was concentration *in vacuo* and water (15 mL) was added to quench excess NaBH<sub>4</sub>, the aqueous solution was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 20 mL), and the combined organic phase was washed with brine (20 mL), and the solution was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified via column chromatography on silica gel using CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH:NH<sub>4</sub>OH (88:10:2) as eluent to give an off-white semi-solid (0.13 g, 53% yield) and converted to its HCl salt (an off-white solid; melting point: 161 °C – 165 °C) using 1M HCl in diethyl ether. Free base; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): δ<sub>H</sub> = 5.28 (m, 1H), 5.07 (m, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 3.36 (d, 2H, J = 6.0 Hz), 2.93 – 2.86 (m, 4H), 2.10 – 1.80 (m, 6H), 1.70 – 1.24 (m, 18H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz); δ<sub>C</sub> = 140.47, 131.88, 123.98, 120.22, 56.12, 46.97, 46.25, 45.28, 39.77, 34.63, 27.77, 26.54, 25.83, 25.63, 25.13, 24.90, 24.53, 19.51, 17.83, 16.55; HRMS (TOF-ESI) calculated for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>36</sub>N<sub>2</sub> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 305.2957; found 305.2964

*N*-benzyl-*N'*-(3,7-dimethylocta-2,6-dien-1-yl)ethane-1,2-diamine, **12**.



To a solution of isoprenyl diamine<sup>1,2</sup> (0.46 g, 2.34 mmol) in anhydrous methanol (15 mL) was added benzaldehyde (0.298 g, 2.81 mmol) and stirred for 2 hours under nitrogen at room temperature. The reaction vessel was cooled to 0 °C and the resulting imine was reduced by adding NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.11 g, 2.81 mmol) gradually, the reaction was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred overnight. The reaction mixture was concentration *in vacuo* and water (15 mL) was added to quench excess NaBH<sub>4</sub>, the aqueous solution was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 20 mL), and the combined organic phrase was washed with brine (20 mL), and the solution was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> after which it was concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified via column chromatography on silica gel using CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH:NH<sub>4</sub>OH (88:10:2) as eluent to give a white semi-solid (0.41 g, 61% yield) and converted to its HCl salt (a off-white solid; melting point: 258 °C – 261 °C) using 1M HCl in diethyl ether. Free base; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): δ<sub>H</sub> = 7.32 – 7.23 (m, 5H), 5.24 (m, 1H), 5.09 (m, 1H), 3.79 (s, 2H), 3.22 (d, 2H, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 2.78 – 2.71 (m, 4H), 2.09 – 2.00 (m, 6H), 1.67 (s, 3H), 1.62 (s, 3H), 1.59 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): δ<sub>C</sub> = 140.47, 137.95, 131.58, 128.44, 128.20, 126.97, 124.18, 122.68, 54.02, 48.83, 47.10, 39.70, 26.57, 25.77, 17.76, 16.37; HRMS (TOF-ESI) calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>30</sub>N<sub>2</sub> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 287.2487; found 287.2502.

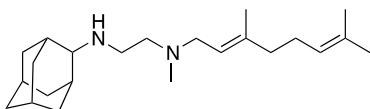
*N*-(adamantan-2-yl)-*N'*-(3,7-dimethylocta-2,6-dien-1-yl)propane-1,3-diamine, **13**.



In a 1000 mL round-bottom flask was placed 1,3-propanediamine (20 mL) and dichloromethane (250 mL, reagent grade) and the solution stirred at -78°C. To this solution was added dropwise a solution of crude geranyl bromide<sup>1,2</sup> (1.78 mL, 9.18 mmol) in dichloromethane (150 mL), the resulting solution was then stirred overnight at room temperature under nitrogen. The organic solution was washed with water (4 x 200 mL) to remove excess diamine, brine (100 mL) and then dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, the organic solution was concentrated *in vacuo* to obtain a crude product which was purified via column chromatography on silica gel using CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH:NH<sub>4</sub>OH (88:10:2) as eluent to yield *N*-geranyl propane-1,3-diamine as a yellowish oil (1.12g, 58%), used in the next step.

A mixture of the *N*-geranyl propane-1,3-diamine (0.37 g, 1.76 mmol) and 2-adamantanone (0.24 g, 1.60 mmol) in anhydrous methanol (10 mL) was stirred for 2 hours under nitrogen at room temperature. The reaction vessel was cooled to 0 °C and the resulting imine was reduced by adding NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.067g, 1.76 mmol) gradually, the reaction was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred overnight. The reaction mixture was concentration *in vacuo* and water (30 mL) was added to quench the reaction, the aqueous solution was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 20mL), and the combined organic phrase was washed with brine (20mL), and the solution was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified via column chromatography on silica gel using CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH:NH<sub>4</sub>OH (88:10:2) as eluent to give an off-white semi-solid (0.23 g, 42% yield) and converted to its HCl salt (a white solid; melting point: 276 °C – 279 °C) using 1M HCl in diethyl ether. Free base; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): δ<sub>H</sub> = 5.25 (t, 1H, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 5.08 (t, 1H, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 3.23 (d, 2H, *J* = 9.0 Hz) 2.71 – 2.65 (m, 5H), 2.09 – 1.81 (m, 13H), 1.78 – 1.65 (m, 10H), 1.63 (s, 3H), 1.59 (s, 3H), 1.51 (d, 2H, *J* = 12.0 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): δ<sub>C</sub> = 137.80, 131.61, 124.24, 122.84, 62.00, 48.66, 47.45, 45.94, 39.74, 38.05, 37.65, 32.01, 31.46, 30.50, 27.92, 27.72, 26.60, 25.81, 17.78, 16.40; HRMS (TOF-ESI) calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>41</sub>N<sub>2</sub> 9[M + H] 345.3270; found 345.3268.

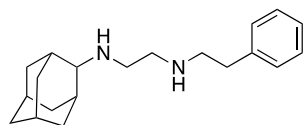
*N*-(adamantan-2-yl)-*N'*-(3,7-dimethylocta-2,6-dien-1-yl)-*N'*-methylethane-1,2-diamine, **14**.



To a solution of SQ109 (0.5 g, 1.51 mmol) in CH<sub>3</sub>OH (10 mL) was added 37% formaldehyde in water (0.71 mL, 9.06 mmol) and stirred at room temperature for 1 hour then heated at 50°C for an additional hour under nitrogen. The solution was then cooled using an ice-bath before NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.37 g, 9.82 mmol) was added slowly and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature overnight. The reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo*, the crude residue was dissolved

in ethyl acetate (30 mL) and washed successively with water (2 x 20 mL) and brine (20 mL). The organic phase was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* and the crude product was purified via column (silica gel) chromatography using CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH:NH<sub>4</sub>OH (88:10:2) as eluent to afford **14** as a white semi-solid; yield 0.15 g (29%) and converted to its HCl salt (a white solid; melting point: 191 °C – 195 °C) using 1M HCl in diethyl ether. Free base; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): δ<sub>H</sub> = 5.23 (m, 1H), 5.09 (m, 1H), 3.00 (d, 2H, J = 9.0 Hz), 2.72 (m, 3H), 2.52 (t, 2H, J = 6.0 Hz), 2.20 (s, 3H), 2.13 – 1.78 (m, 13H), 1.75 – 1.65 (m, 7H), 1.63 (s, 3H), 1.60 (s, 3H), 1.52 (d, 2H, J = 12.0 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz); δ<sub>C</sub> = 138.56, 131.62, 124.29, 121.51, 62.05, 57.04, 55.39, 44.51, 42.13, 39.93, 38.05, 37.73, 32.02, 31.44, 27.92, 27.68, 26.61, 25.84, 17.81, 16.50; HRMS (TOF-ESI) calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>41</sub>N<sub>2</sub> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 345.3270; found 345.3279.

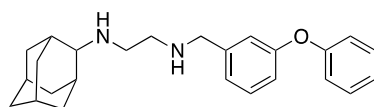
*N*-(adamantan-2-yl)-*N'*-phenethylethane-1,2-diamine, **22**.



To a stirred solution of ethylene diamine (1.5 g, 25 mmol) in 10 mL of anhydrous methanol was added slowly phenylacetaldehyde (1.39 mL, 12.5 mmol) over 5 minutes, the solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours after which it was cooled to 0 °C before slowly adding NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.57 g, 14.98 mmol), the resulting solution was stirred overnight at room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and water (20 mL) was added to quench excess NaBH<sub>4</sub> after which the solution was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 20 mL) and washed with brine (20 mL). The organic phase was dried using Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford the crude product which was purified via column (silica gel) chromatography using CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH:NH<sub>4</sub>OH (88:10:2) as eluent to afford *N*-phenethylethane-1,2-diamine (1.17 g, 57% yield) which was then used in the next step.

In a 50 mL round bottom flask was placed *N*-phenethylethane-1,2-diamine (0.65 g, 3.96 mmol), 2-adamantanone (0.66 g, 4.39 mmol) and anhydrous methanol (15 mL), the resulting solution was then stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The solution was then cooled using an ice-bath before NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.166 g, 4.36 mmol) was added slowly and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature overnight. The reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo*, water (20 mL) was added to the crude product and extracted with ethyl acetate (2 x 20mL), the combined organic layer was then washed with brine (20 mL). The organic phase was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* and the crude product was purified via column (silica gel) chromatography using CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH:NH<sub>4</sub>OH (88:10:2) as eluent to afford **22** as a white semi-solid (0.68 g, 57 % yield) and converted to its HCl salt (an off-white solid; melting point: 286 °C – 291 °C) using 1M HCl in diethyl ether. Free base; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): δ<sub>H</sub> = 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 2.92 – 2.87 (m, 2H), 2.83 – 2.78 (m, 2H), 2.76 – 2.66 (m, 5H), 1.96 – 1.78 (m, 7H), 1.77 – 1.63 (m, 5H), 1.47 (d, 2H, J = 15.0 Hz), 1.30 (s, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz); δ<sub>C</sub> = 140.31, 128.82, 128.49, 126.14, 61.90, 51.21, 50.00, 46.51, 38.07, 37.67, 36.61, 32.27, 31.38, 27.92, 27.73; HRMS (TOF-ESI) calculated for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>30</sub>N<sub>2</sub> ([M + H]<sup>+</sup>) 299.2487, found 299.2493.

*N*-(adamantan-2-yl)-*N'*-(3-phenoxybenzyl)ethane-1,2-diamine, **23**.

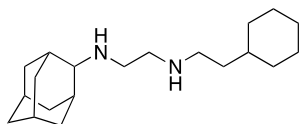


To a stirred solution of ethylene diamine (0.91 g, 15.1 mmol) in 10 mL of anhydrous methanol was added slowly 3-phenoxybenzaldehyde (1.5g, 7.57 mmol) over 5 minutes, the solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours after which it was cooled to 0 °C before slowly adding NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.34 g, 9.08 mmol), the resulting solution was stirred overnight at room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and water (20 mL) was added to quench excess NaBH<sub>4</sub> after which the solution was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 20 mL) and washed with brine (20 mL). The organic phase was dried using Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford the crude product which was purified via column (silica gel) chromatography using CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH:NH<sub>4</sub>OH (88:10:2) as eluent to afford *N*-(3-phenoxybenzyl)ethane-1,2-diamine (1.09 g, 59% yield) as a colorless oil which was used in the next step.

In a 50 mL round bottom flask was placed *N*-(3-phenoxybenzyl)ethane-1,2-diamine (0.65 g, 2.68 mmol), 2-adamantanone (0.443 g, 2.95 mmol) and anhydrous methanol (15 mL), the resulting solution was then stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The solution was then cooled to 0 °C before NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.134 g, 3.54 mmol) was added slowly and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature overnight. The reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo*, water (20 mL) was added to the crude product and extracted with ethyl acetate (2 x 20 mL), the combined organic layer was then washed with brine (20 mL). The organic phase was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated *in vacuo* and the crude product was purified via column (silica gel) chromatography using CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>OH:NH<sub>4</sub>OH (88:10:2) as eluent to afford **23** as a colorless oil, (0.61 g, 59 % yield) and converted to its HCl salt (a white solid; melting point: 266 °C – 269 °C)

using 1M HCl in diethyl ether. Free base;  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 300 MHz):  $\delta_{\text{H}} = 7.37 - 7.25$  (m, 3H), 7.12 – 6.99, (m, 5H), 6.91 – 6.87 (m, 1H), 3.78 (s, 2H), 2.78 – 2.68 (m, 5H), 1.96 (d, 2H,  $J = 12.0$  Hz), 1.86 – 1.62 (m, 12H), 1.50 (d, 2H,  $J = 12.0$  Hz).  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 75 MHz);  $\delta_{\text{C}} = 157.45, 157.35, 142.86, 129.82, 129.73, 123.27, 123.04, 118.97, 118.58, 117.40, 61.95, 53.66, 49.25, 46.49, 38.04, 37.68, 32.17, 31.44, 27.89, 27.69$ ; HRMS (TOF-ESI) calculated for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{32}\text{N}_2\text{O}$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ) 377.2593; found 377.2596.

*N*-(adamantan-2-yl)-*N'*-(2-cyclohexylethyl)ethane-1,2-diamine, **24**.

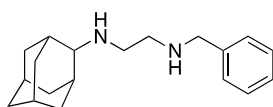


To solution of 2-cyclohexylethanol (2 g, 15.6 mmol) in anhydrous dichloromethane (60 mL) was added pyridinium chlorochromate (5 g, 23.2 mmol), silica gel (5 g) and celite (5 g) and the mixture stirred overnight under nitrogen. The resulting reaction mixture was filtered via silica gel and celite until the filtrate becomes colorless. The filtrate was concentrated *in vacuo* to obtain the corresponding crude aldehyde (2-cyclohexylacetaldehyde) as a yellow oil (1.3 g) and used in the next step without further purification.

To a stirred solution of ethylenediamine (1.24 g, 20.6 mmol) in 20 mL of anhydrous methanol was added slowly 2-cyclohexylacetaldehyde (1.3 g, 10.3 mmol) over 5 minutes, the solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours after which it was cooled to 0 °C before slowly adding  $\text{NaBH}_4$  (0.47 g, 12.4 mmol), the resulting solution was stirred overnight at room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and water (20 mL) was added to quench excess  $\text{NaBH}_4$  after which the solution was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 20 mL) and washed with brine (20 mL). The organic phase was dried using  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford the crude product which was purified via column (silica gel) chromatography using  $\text{CHCl}_3:\text{CH}_3\text{OH}:\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  (88:10:2) as eluent to afford *N*-(2-cyclohexylethyl)ethane-1,2-diamine (0.61 g, 35% yield) as a colorless oil which was used in the next step.

In a 50 mL round bottom flask was placed *N*-(2-cyclohexylethyl)ethane-1,2-diamine (0.60 g, 3.5 mmol), 2-adamantanone (0.635 g, 4.23 mmol) and anhydrous methanol (20 mL), the resulting solution was then stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The solution was then cooled to 0 °C before  $\text{NaBH}_4$  (0.2 g, 5.3 mmol) was added slowly and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature overnight. The reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo*, water (30 mL) was added to the crude product and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 20 mL), the combined organic layer was then washed with brine (20 mL). The organic phase was dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and concentrated *in vacuo* and the crude product was purified via column (silica gel) chromatography using  $\text{CHCl}_3:\text{CH}_3\text{OH}:\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  (88:10:2) as eluent to afford **24** as a colorless oil (0.3686 g, 35% yield) and converted to its HCl salt (a white solid; melting point: 284 °C – 287 °C) using 1M HCl solution in diethyl ether. Free base  $^1\text{H NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 300 MHz):  $\delta_{\text{H}} = 2.69 - 2.66$  (m, 5H), 2.59 (t, 2H,  $J = 6.0, 9.0$  Hz), 1.94 – 1.89 (m, 4H), 1.86 – 1.76 (m, 5H), 1.75 – 1.53 (m, 10H), 1.50 – 1.08 (m, 8H), 0.96 – 0.79 (m, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 75 MHz);  $\delta_{\text{C}} = 61.94, 50.00, 47.48, 46.36, 38.00, 37.71, 37.64, 35.7, 33.48, 32.19, 31.39, 27.86, 27.68, 26.67, 26.38$ ; HRMS (TOF-ESI) calculated for  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{36}\text{N}_2$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ) 305.2957; found 305.2957.

*N*-(adamantan-2-yl)-*N'*-benzylethane-1,2-diamine, **25**.

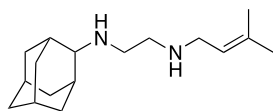


To a stirred solution of ethylene diamine (1.77 g, 29.5 mmol) in 20 mL of anhydrous methanol was added slowly benzaldehyde (1.57 g, 14.8 mmol) over 5 minutes, the solution was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours after which it was cooled to 0 °C before slowly adding  $\text{NaBH}_4$  (1.12 g, 29.5 mmol), the resulting solution was stirred overnight at room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* and water (40 mL) was added to quench excess  $\text{NaBH}_4$  after which the solution was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 20 mL) and the combined organic layer was washed with brine (20 mL). The organic phase was dried using  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford the crude product which was purified via column (silica gel) chromatography using  $\text{CHCl}_3:\text{CH}_3\text{OH}:\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  (88:10:2) as eluent to afford *N*-benzylethane-1,2-diamine (1.0583 g, 48% yield) as a yellowish oil which was used in the next step.

In a 50 mL round bottom flask was placed *N*-benzylethane-1,2-diamine (1.06 g, 7.05 mmol), 2-adamantanone (0.988 g, 6.4 mmol) and anhydrous methanol (20 mL), the resulting solution was then stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The solution was then cooled to 0 °C before  $\text{NaBH}_4$  (0.484 g, 12.8 mmol) was added slowly and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature overnight. The reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo*, water (30 mL) was added to the crude product and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 20 mL), the combined organic layer was then washed with brine (20 mL). The organic phase was dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and concentrated *in vacuo* and the crude product was purified

via column (silica gel) chromatography using  $\text{CHCl}_3:\text{CH}_3\text{OH}:\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  (88:10:2) as eluent to afford **25** as a yellowish oil (0.69 g, 38% yield) and converted to its HCl salt (as a white solid; melting point: 293 °C – 296 °C) using 1M HCl solution in diethyl ether. Free base;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 300 MHz):  $\delta_{\text{H}} = 7.29 - 7.22$  (m, 4H), 7.21 – 7.16 (m, 1H), 3.75 (s, 2H), 2.69 – 2.60 (m, 5H), 1.92 (d, 2H,  $J = 12.0$  Hz), 1.83 – 1.60 (m, 10H), 1.53 (s, 2H), 1.44 (d, 2H,  $J = 12.0$  Hz).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 75 MHz):  $\delta_{\text{C}} = 140.59, 128.30, 128.08, 126.78, 61.80, 53.88, 49.36, 46.46, 37.95, 37.57, 32.16, 31.33, 27.81, 27.62$ ; HRMS (TOF-ESI) calculated for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ) 285.2331; found 285.2340.

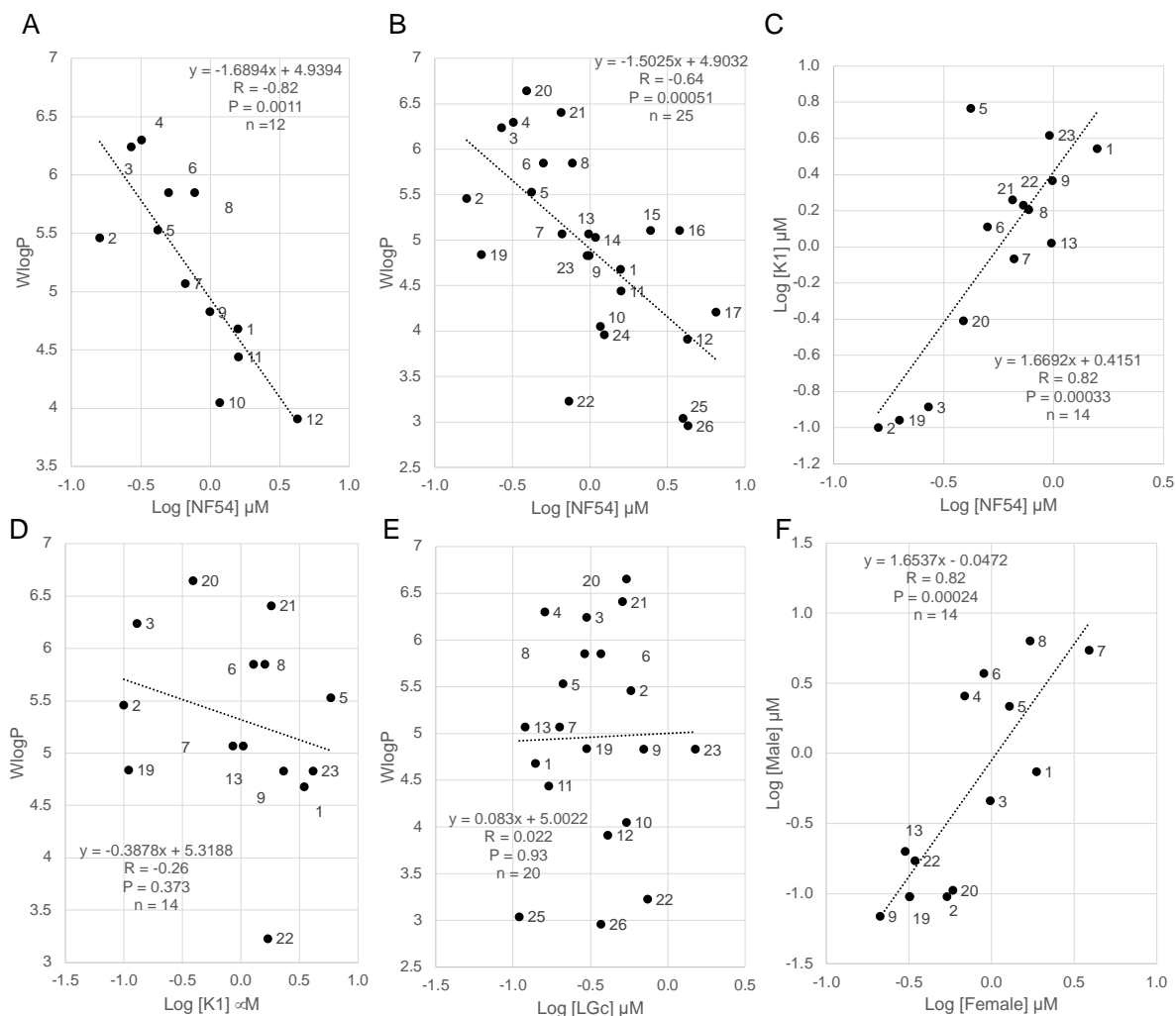
*N*-(adamantan-2-yl)-*N'*-(3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl)ethane-1,2-diamine, **26**.



A solution of ethylene diamine (10 mL) in dichloromethane (100 mL) was stirred at -78°C and 3,3-dimethylallyl bromide in dichloromethane (150 mL) was added dropwise over 30 – 45 minutes, the resulting solution was then stirred overnight at room temperature under nitrogen. The organic solution was washed with water (3 x 100 mL) to remove excess diamine, brine (100 mL) and then dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , the organic solution was concentrated *in vacuo* to obtain a crude product which was purified via column chromatography on silica gel using  $\text{CHCl}_3:\text{CH}_3\text{OH}:\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  (88:10:2) as eluent to yield *N*-(3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl)ethane-1,2-diamine as a colorless oil (0.1941 g, 15%) which was used in the next step.

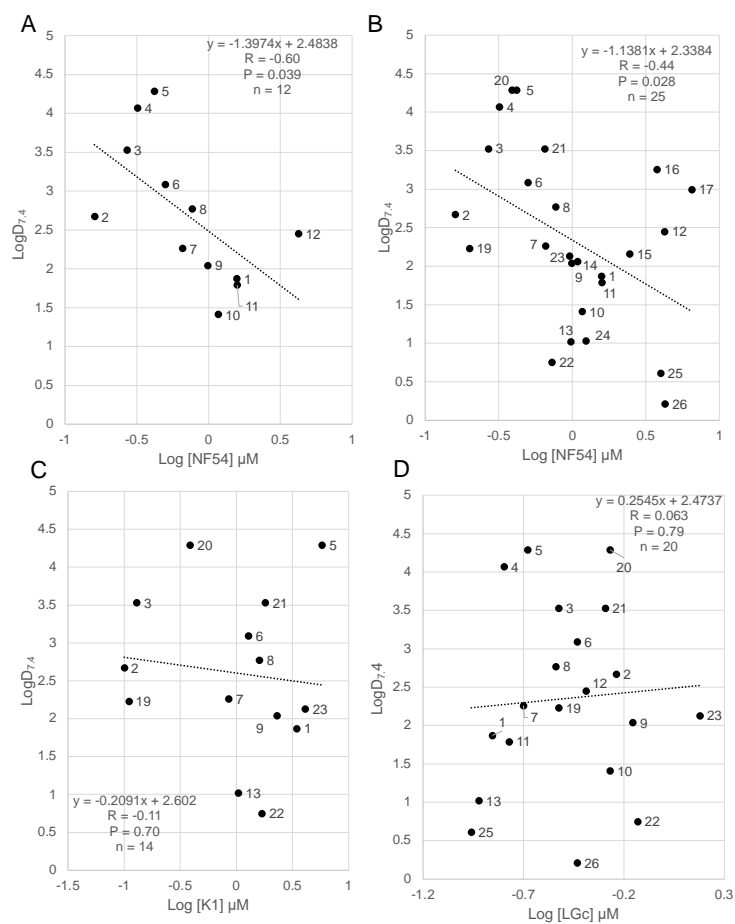
A mixture of the *N*-(3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl)ethane-1,2-diamine (0.194 g, 1.51 mmol) and 2-adamantanone (0.207 g, 1.38 mmol) in anhydrous methanol (10 mL) was stirred for 2 hours under nitrogen at room temperature. The reaction vessel was cooled to 0 °C and the resulting imine was reduced by adding  $\text{NaBH}_4$  (0.104 g, 2.75 mmol) gradually, the reaction was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred overnight. The reaction mixture was concentration *in vacuo* and water (20 mL) was added to quench the reaction, the aqueous solution was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 20 mL), and the combined organic phase was washed with brine (20 mL), and the solution was dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$  and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified via column chromatography on silica gel using  $\text{CHCl}_3:\text{CH}_3\text{OH}:\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  (88:10:2) as eluent to give an off-white semi-solid (0.27 g, 73% yield) and converted to its HCl salt (a off-white solid; melting point: 205 °C – 210 °C) using 1M HCl solution in diethyl ether.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 300 MHz):  $\delta_{\text{H}} = 5.26$  (t, 1H,  $J = 6.0$  Hz), 3.24 (d, 2H,  $J = 9.0$  Hz), 2.75 – 2.71 (m, 5H), 2.19 (s, 2H), 1.97 (d, 2H,  $J = 12.0$  Hz), 1.86 – 1.75 (m, 6H), 1.74 – 1.66 (m, 7H), 1.64 (s, 3H), 1.51 (d, 2H,  $J = 12.0$  Hz).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 75 MHz):  $\delta_{\text{C}} = 134.80, 122.70, 62.06, 49.24, 47.09, 46.35, 38.03, 37.68, 32.16, 31.43, 27.89, 27.69, 25.89, 18.06$ . HRMS (TOF-ESI) calculated for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2$  ( $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ ) 263.2487; found 263.2495.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION FIGURES

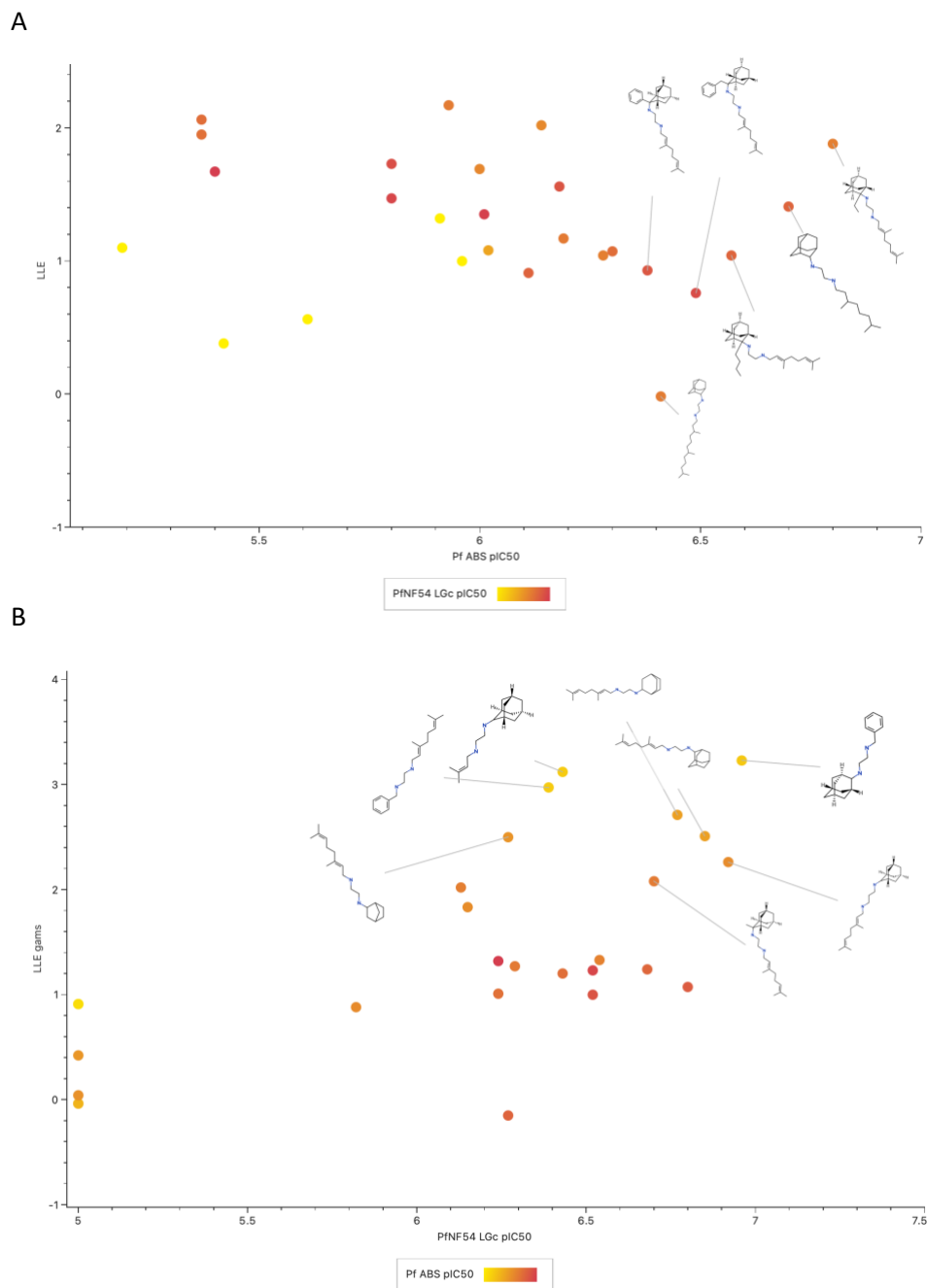


**Figure S1.** Correlations between *Pf*ABS and late-stage gametocyte viability inhibition by SQ109 and its analogs ( $\log IC_{50}$ ,  $\mu M$ ) with WlogP; drug-sensitive (*Pf*NF54) and drug-resistant (*Pf*K1) inhibition activity correlations; and male/female gamete inhibition correlation results. (A) Correlation between *Pf*NF54 activity and WlogP for the 12 compounds in SAR-1:  $R=-0.82$ ,  $P=0.0011$ . (B) As in A but for the 25 (out of 26 total) compounds with measurable activity in SAR-1, SAR-2 and SAR-3:  $R=-0.64$ ,  $P = 0.00051$ . (C) Correlation between  $\log IC_{50}$  for *Pf*NF54 and *Pf*K1 cell lines:  $R=0.82$ ,  $n=14$ ,  $P=0.00033$ . (D) Correlation between  $\log Pf$ K1  $IC_{50}$  and WlogP:  $R=-0.26$ ,  $n=14$ ,  $P=0.37$ . (E) Correlation between gametocyte inhibition ( $\log Pf$ LGc,  $\mu M$ ) and WlogP:  $R=0.022$ ,  $n=20$ ,  $P=0.93$ . (F) Correlation between  $\log IC_{50}$  values for male and female gamete inhibition:  $R=0.82$ ,  $n=14$ ,  $P=0.00024$ .





**Figure S2.** Correlations between *Pf*ABS and late-stage gametocyte viability inhibition by SQ109 and its analogs ( $\log IC_{50}$ ,  $\mu M$ ) with  $\log D_{7.4}$ . (A) Correlation between *Pf*NF54 activity and  $\log D_{7.4}$  for the 12 compounds in SAR-1:  $R = -0.60$ ,  $P = 0.039$ . (B) As in A but for the 25 compounds with activity  $< 10 \mu M$  in SAR-1, SAR-2 and SAR-3:  $R = -0.44$ ,  $P = 0.028$ . (C) Correlation between  $\log PfK1 IC_{50}$  and  $\log D_{7.4}$ :  $R = -0.11$ ,  $n = 14$ ,  $P = 0.70$ . (D) Correlation between gametocyte inhibition ( $\log PfLGc$ ,  $\mu M$ ) and  $\log D_{7.4}$ :  $R = 0.63$ ,  $n = 20$ ,  $P = 0.79$ .



**Figure S3.** *Pf*ABS and late-stage gametocyte (LGc) activity by SQ109 and its analogs associated to ligand-lipophilicity efficiency (LLE). LLE was calculated for efficiency as (A) ABS activity ( $\text{pIC}_{50}^{\text{ABS}} - \text{clogP}$ ) or efficiency against (B) late-stage gametocyte ( $\text{pIC}_{50}^{\text{LG}} - \text{clogP}$ ). Calculations, clogP predictions and the plots were generated in StarDrop.

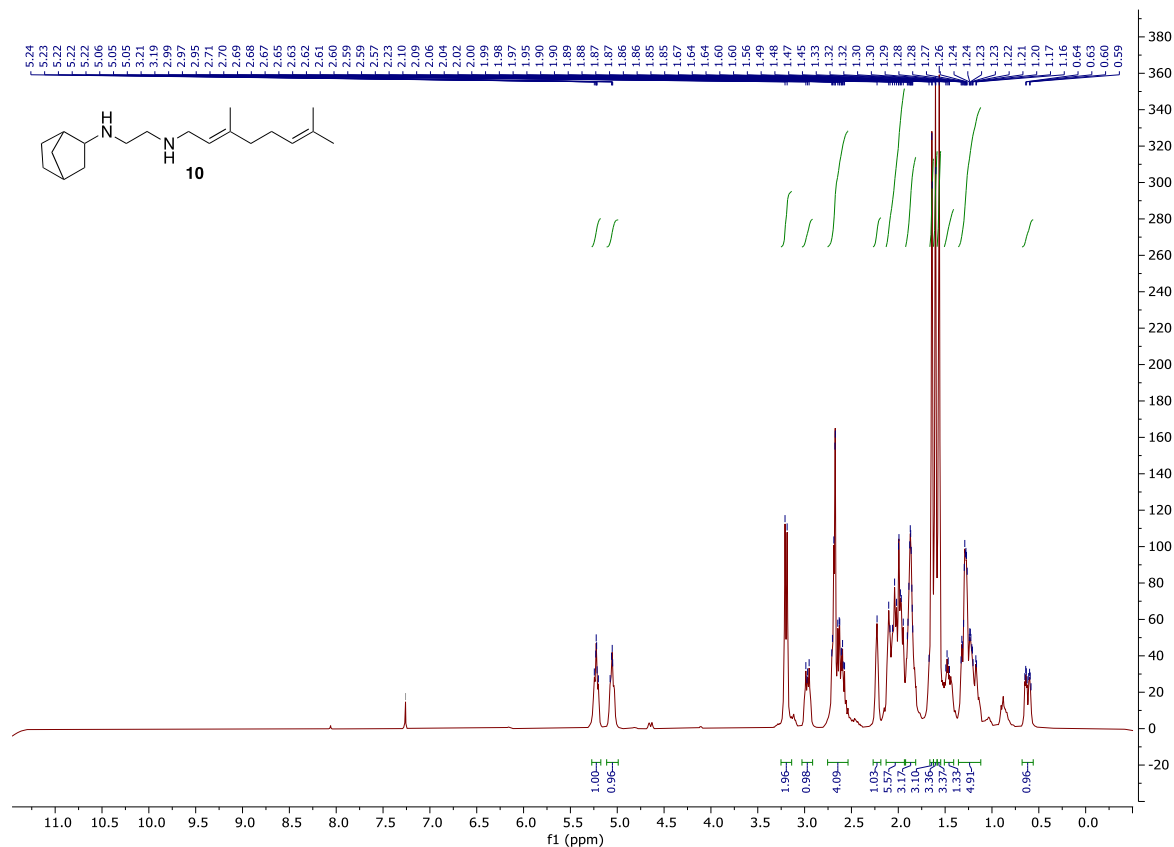


Figure S4:  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **10**

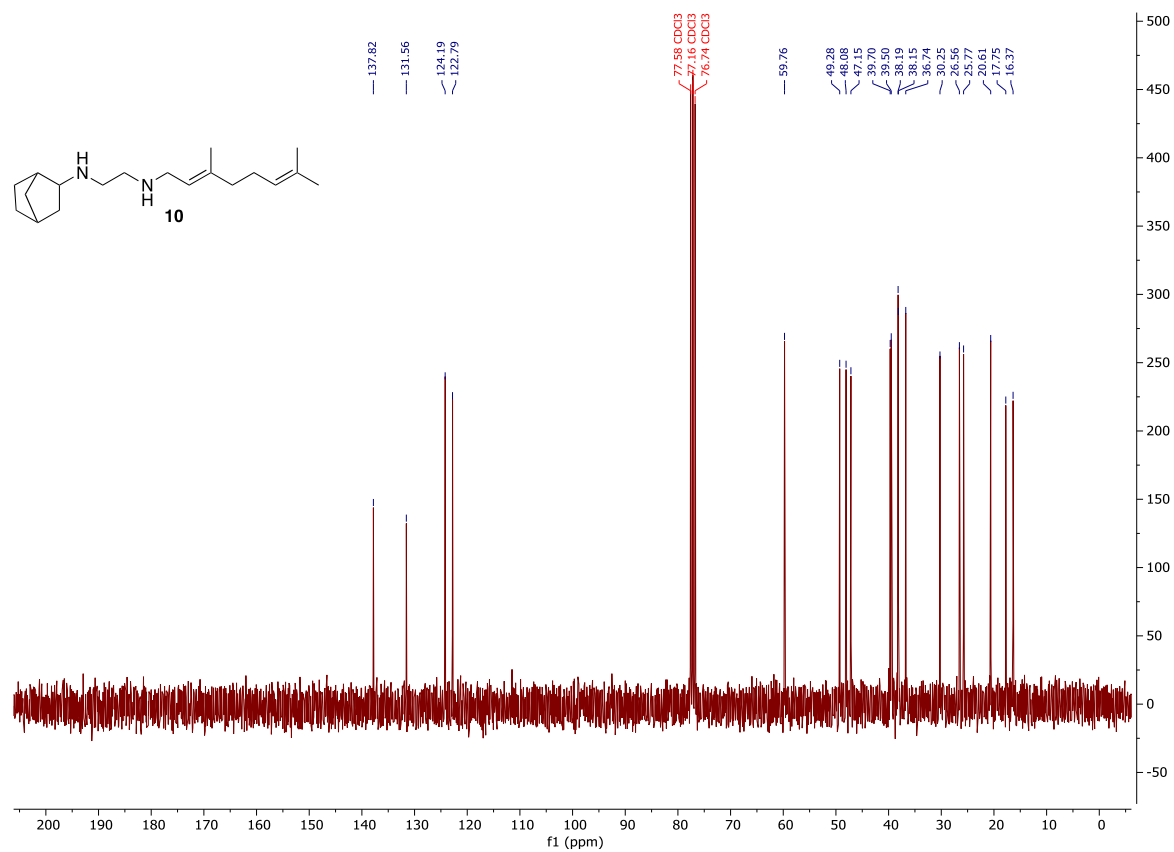
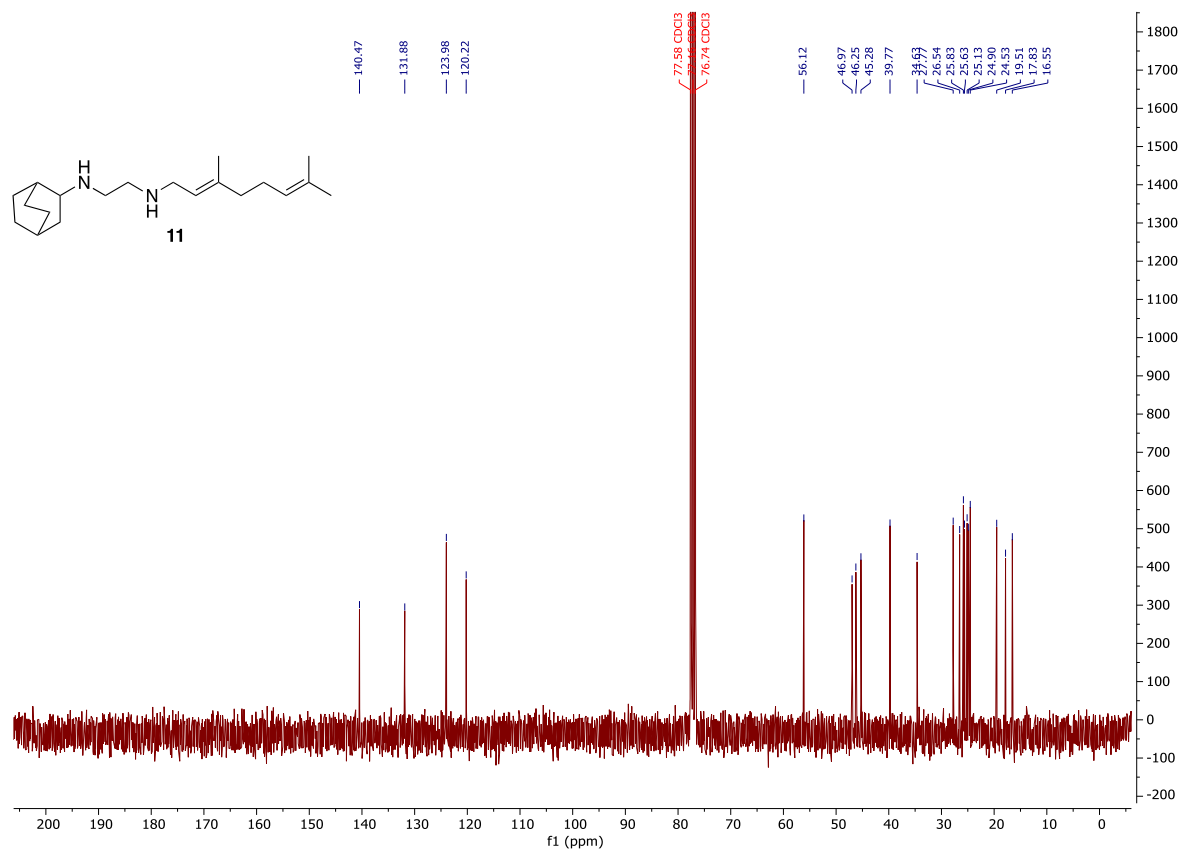
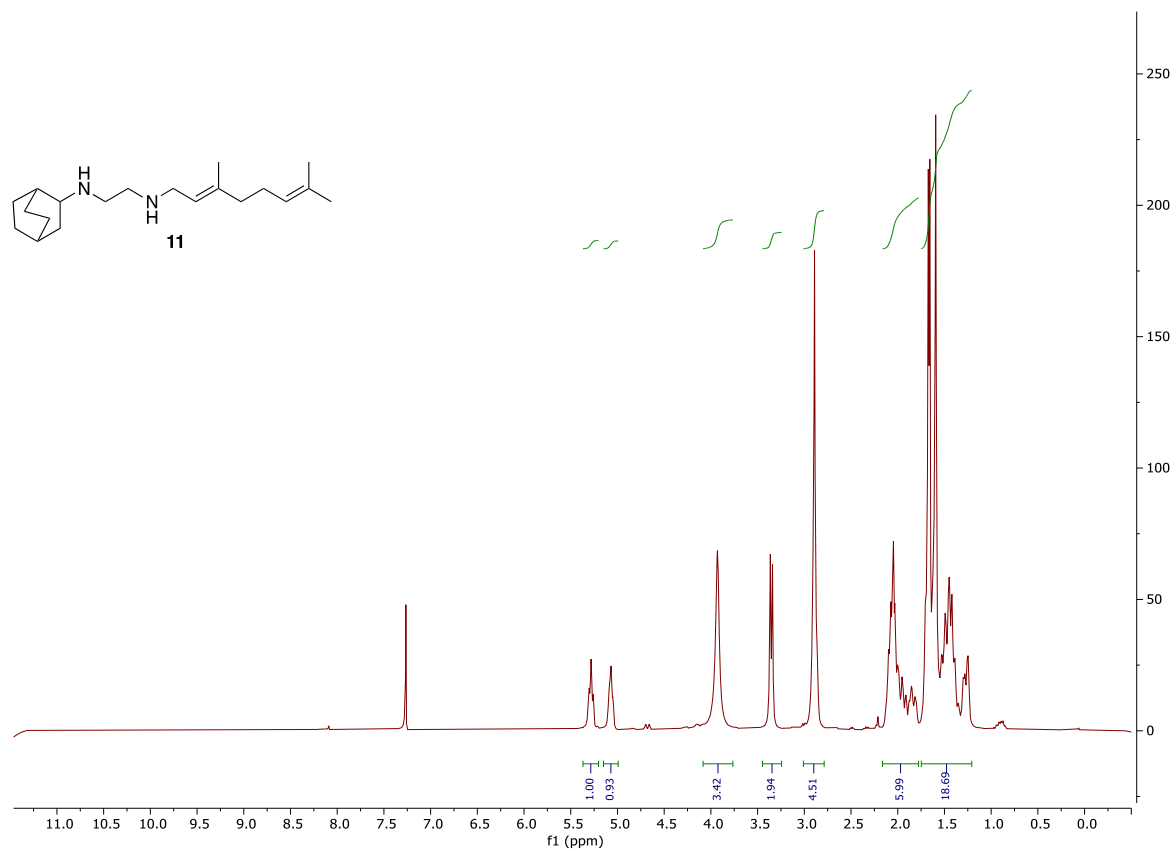
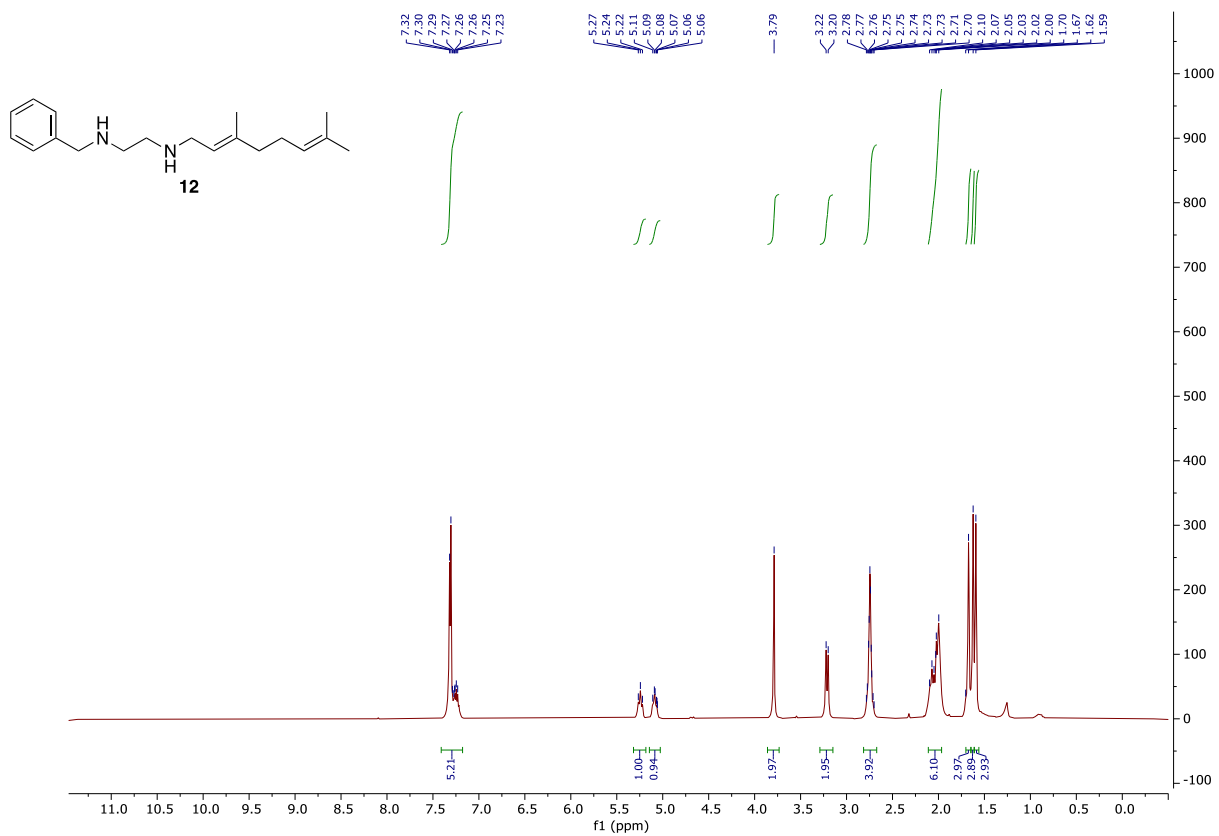
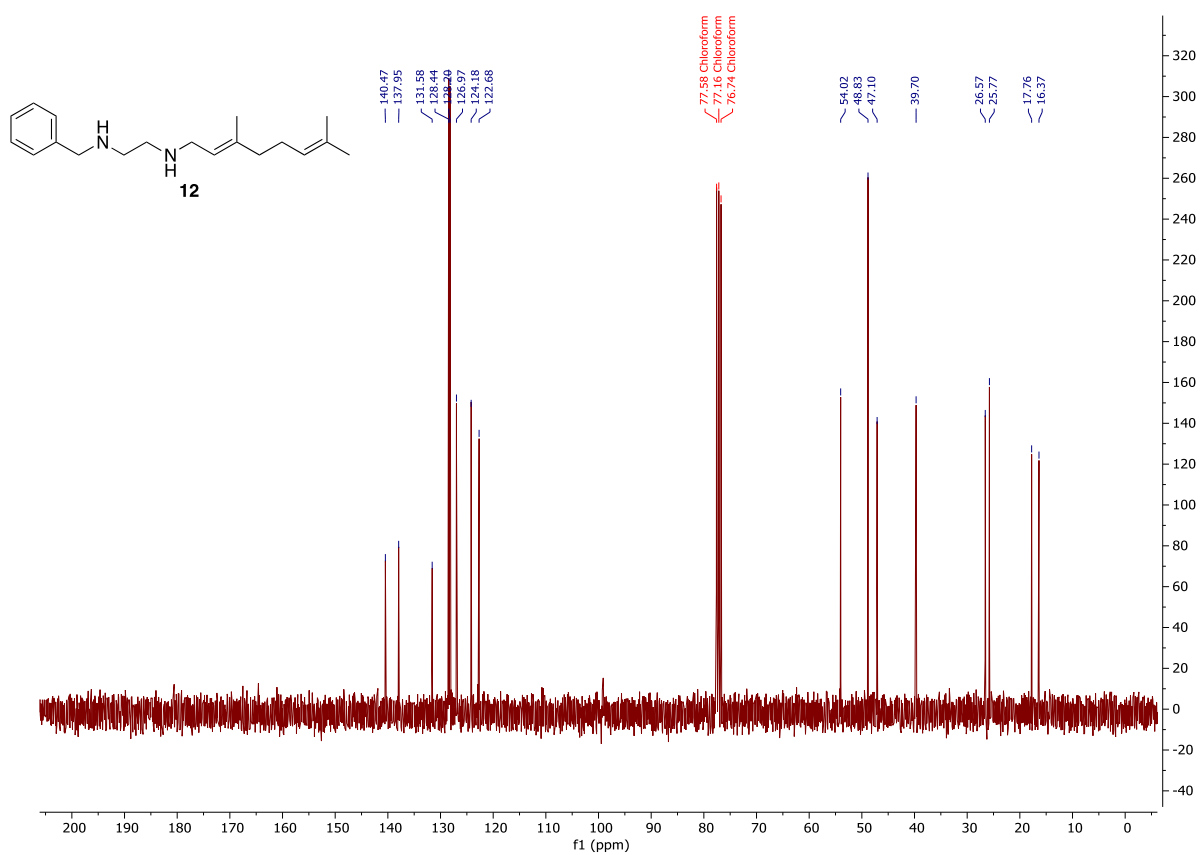


Figure S4:  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of compound **10**





**Figure S4: <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of compound 12**



**Figure S4: <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 12**

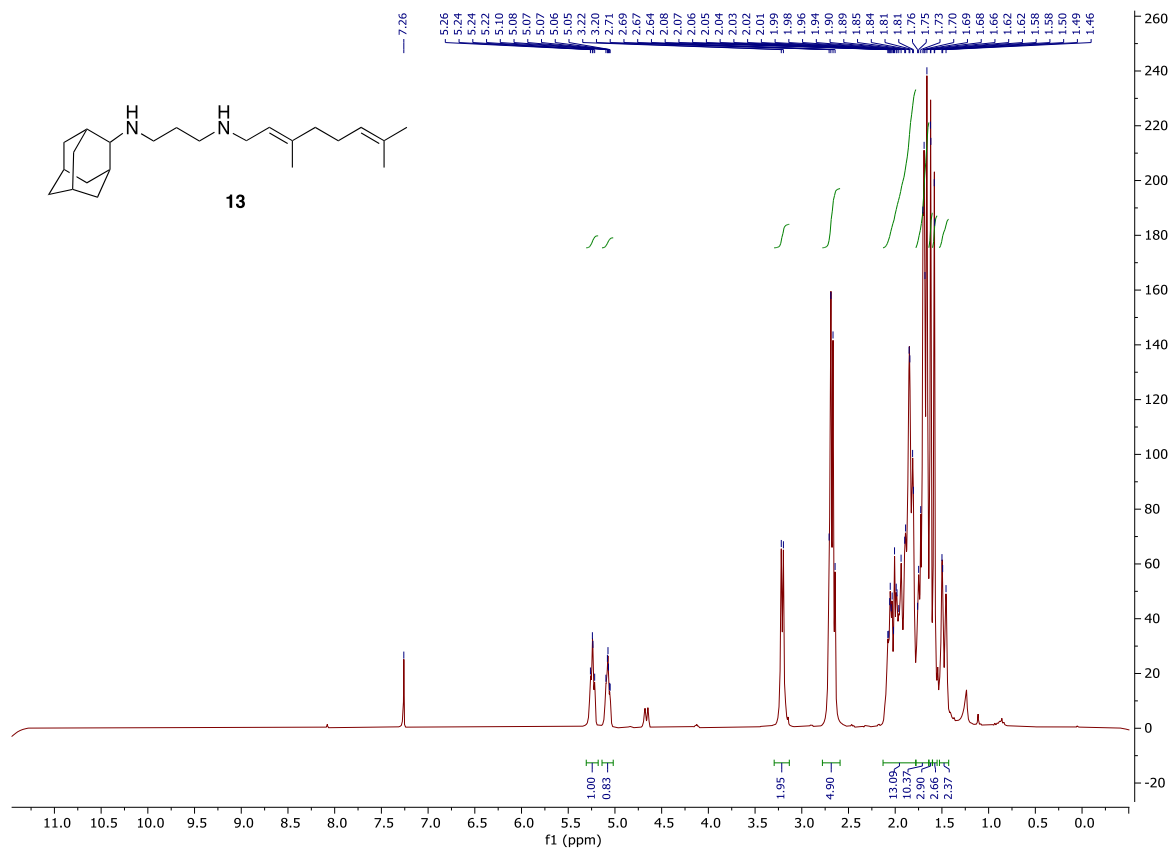


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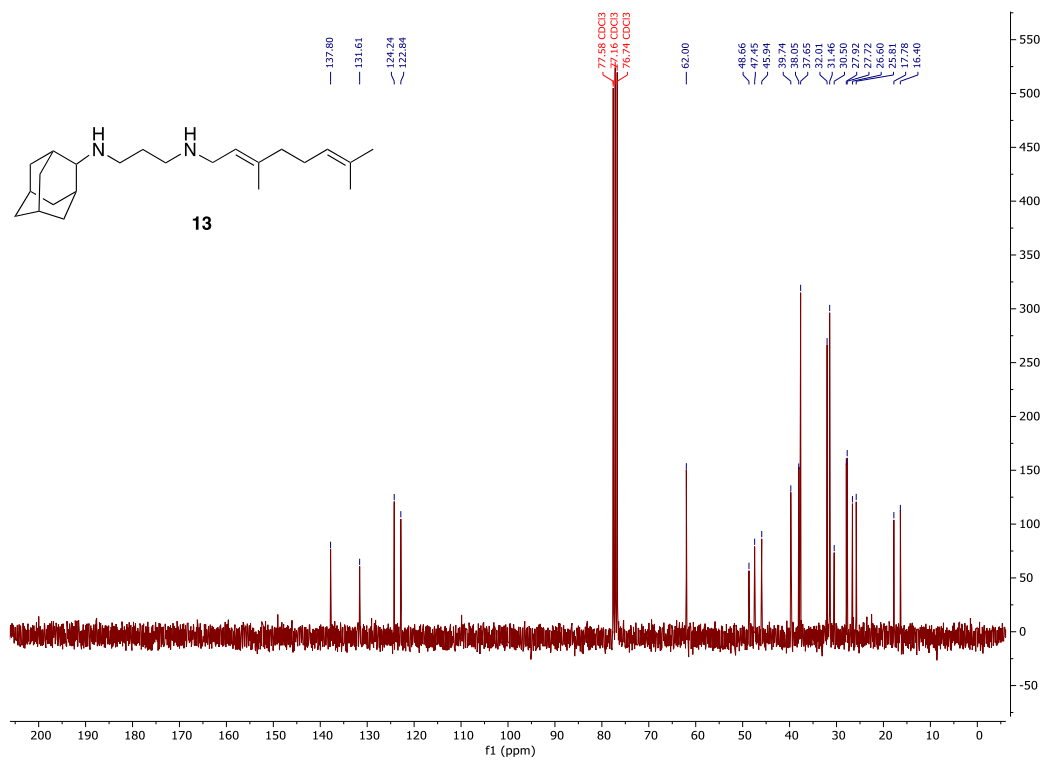
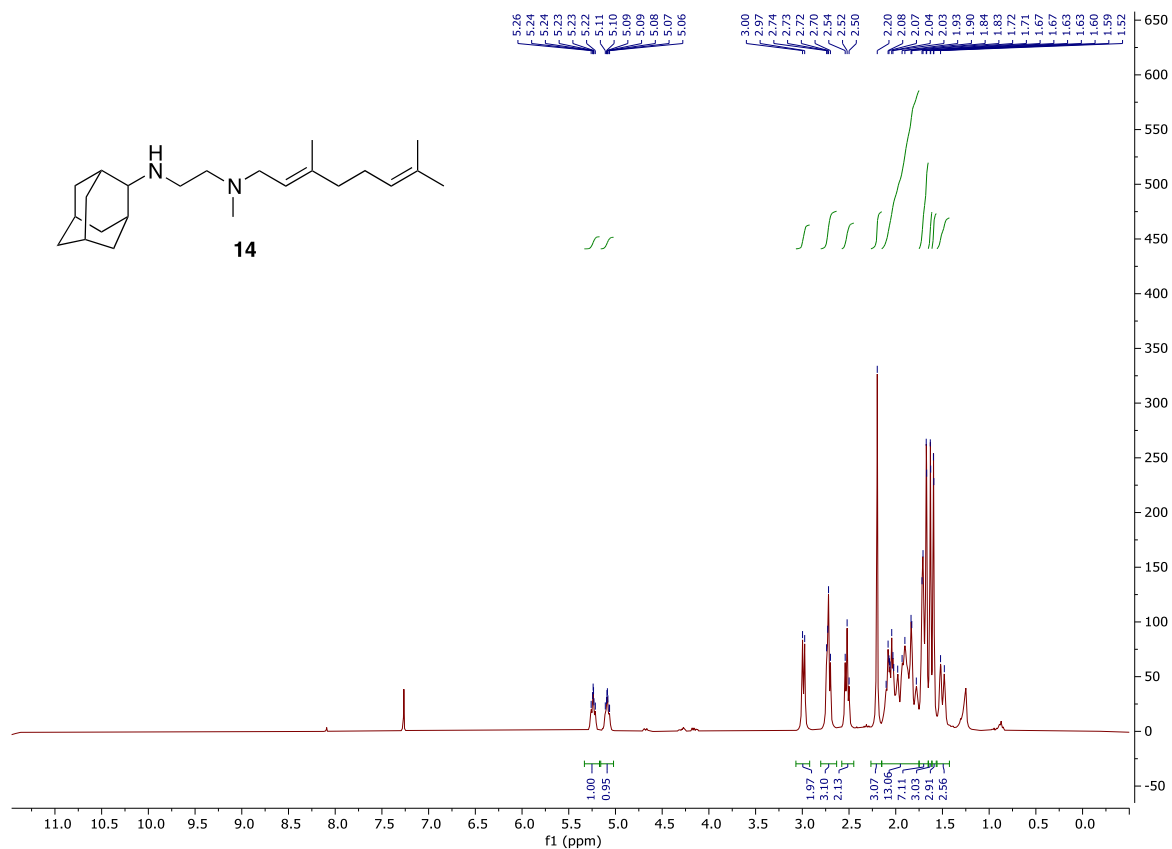
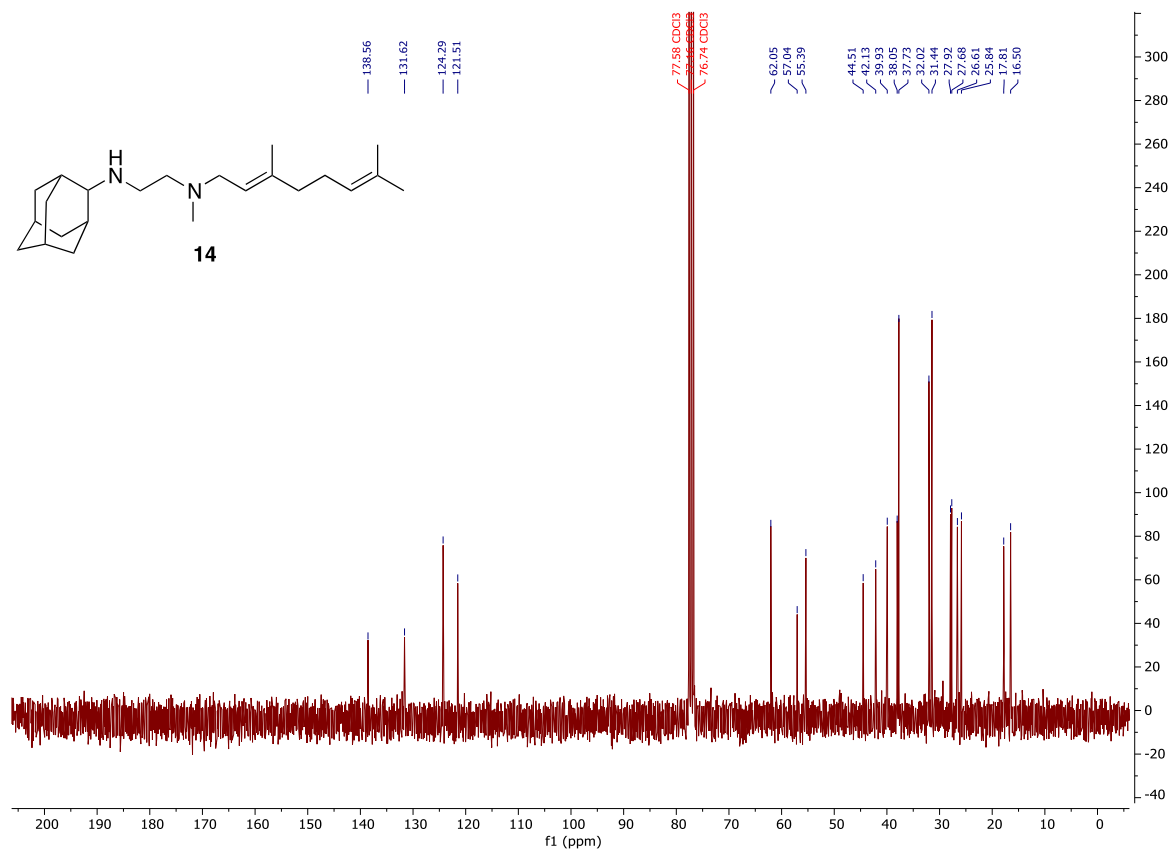


Figure S4: <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of compound 13



**Figure S4:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of compound **14**



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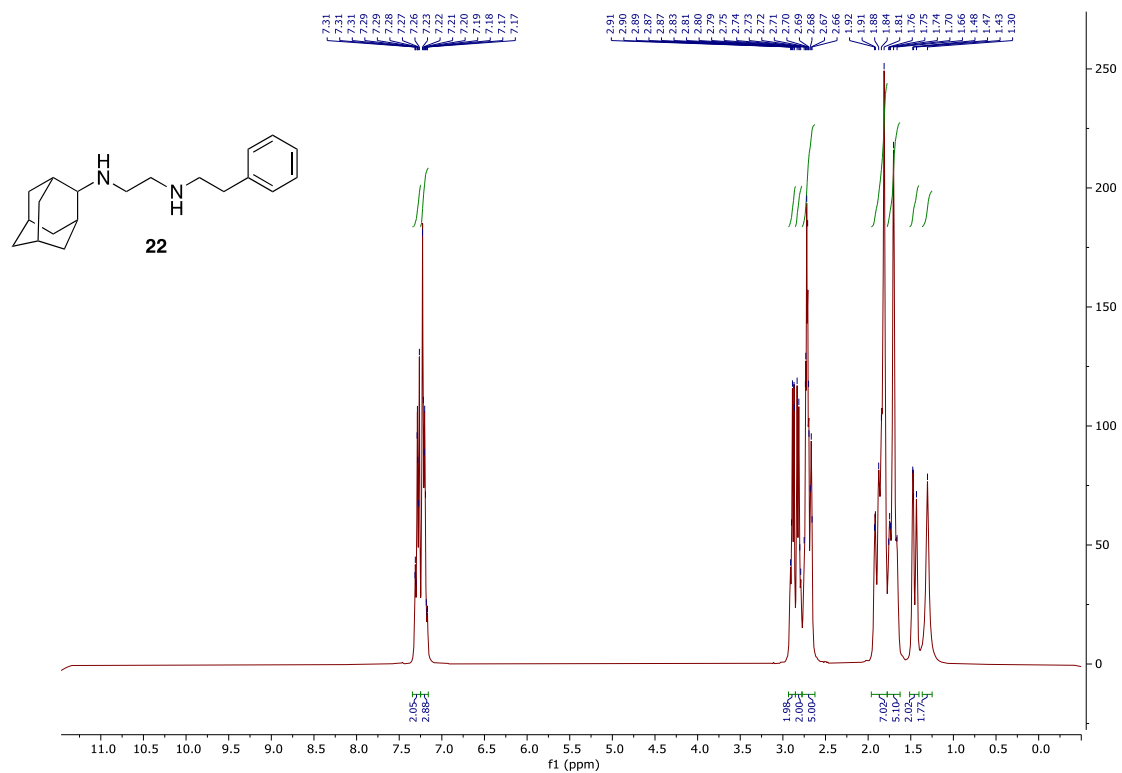


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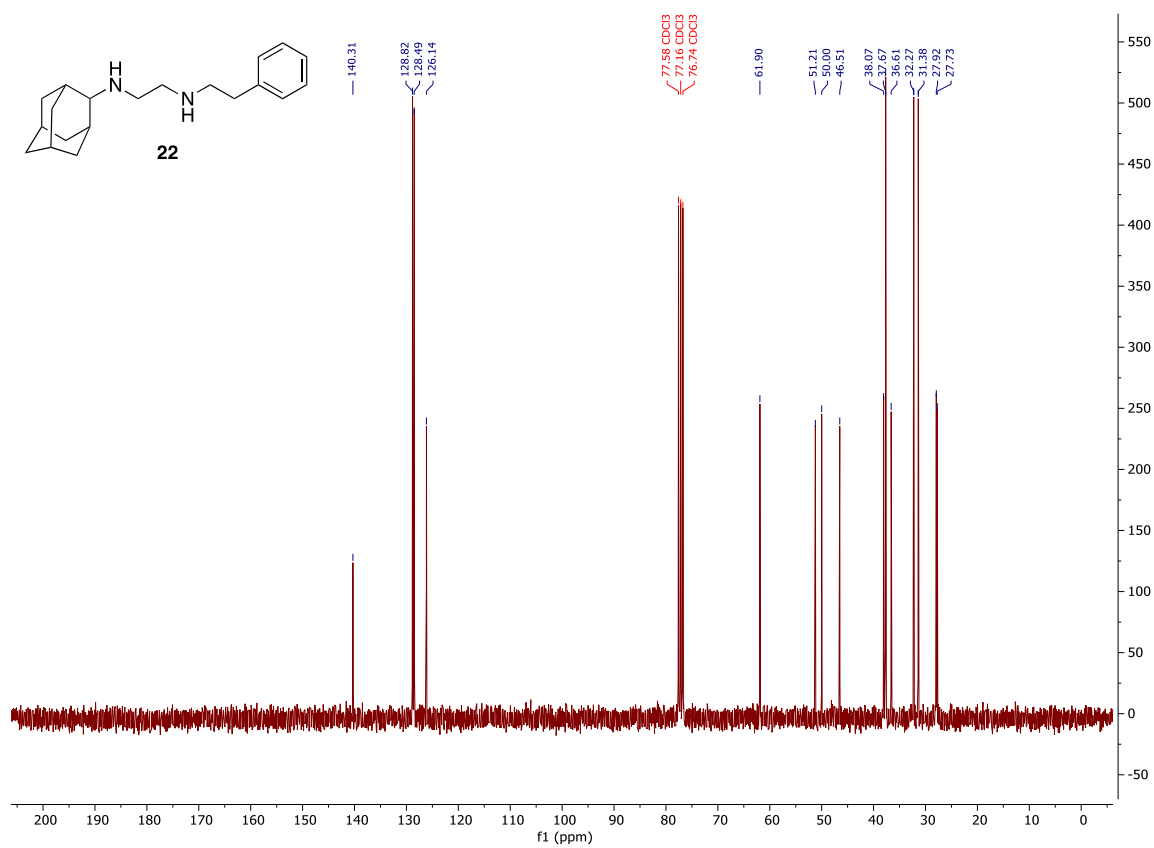


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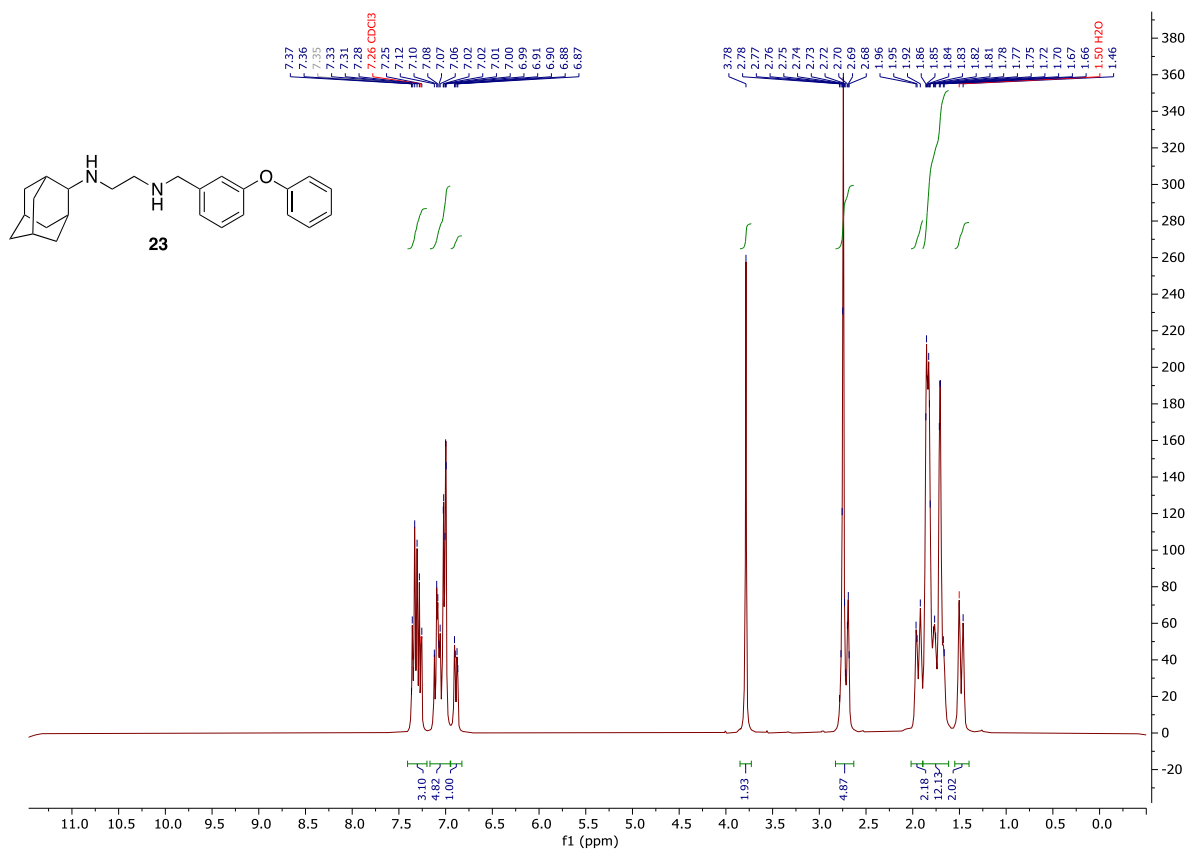


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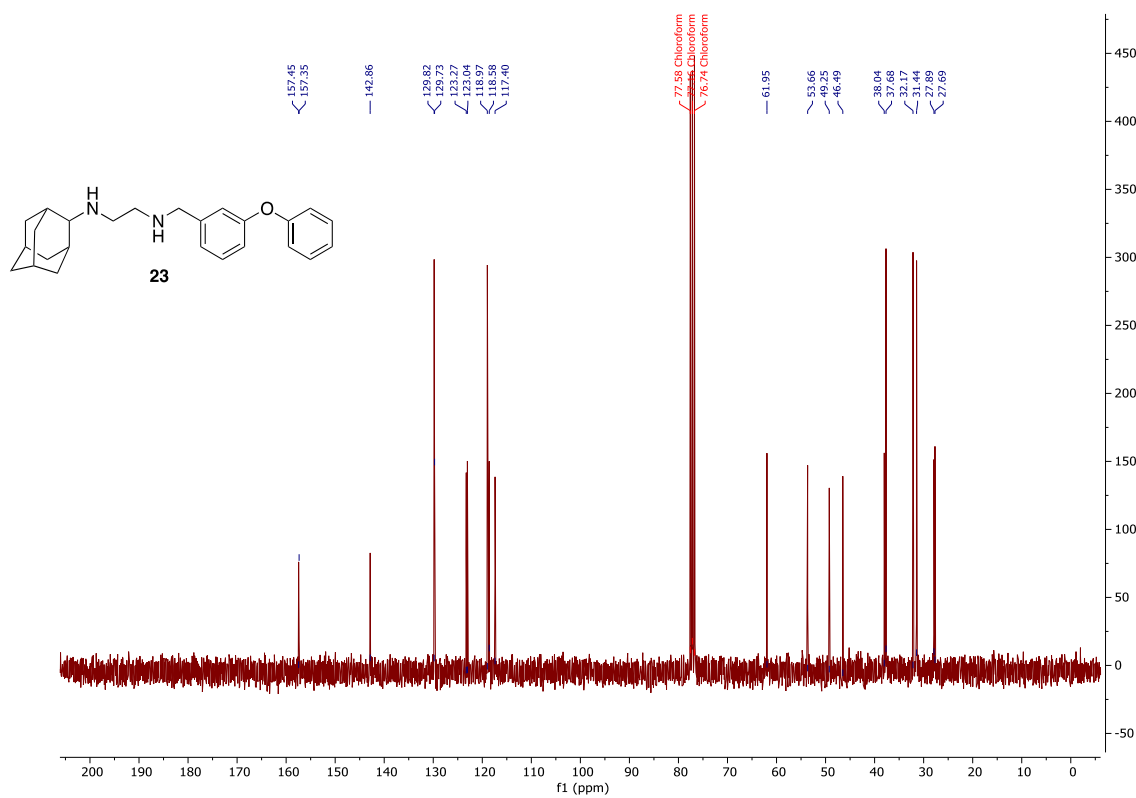
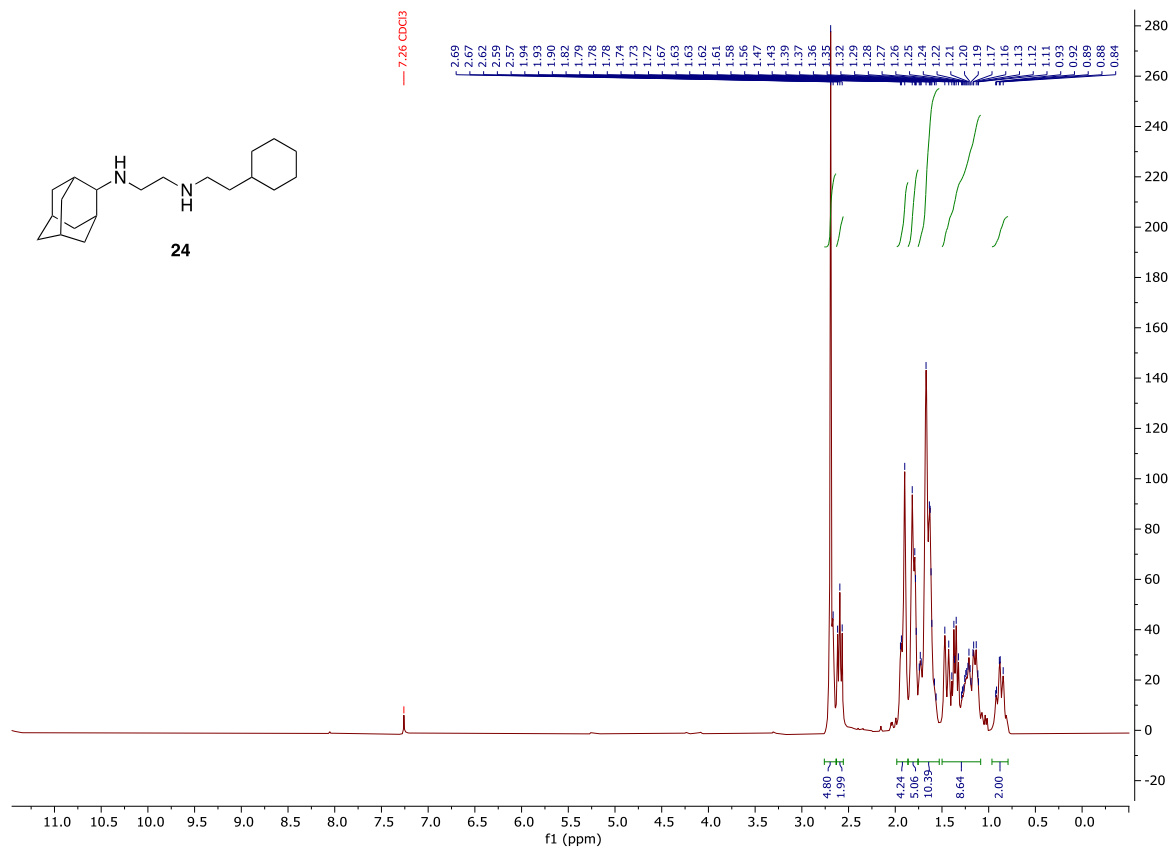
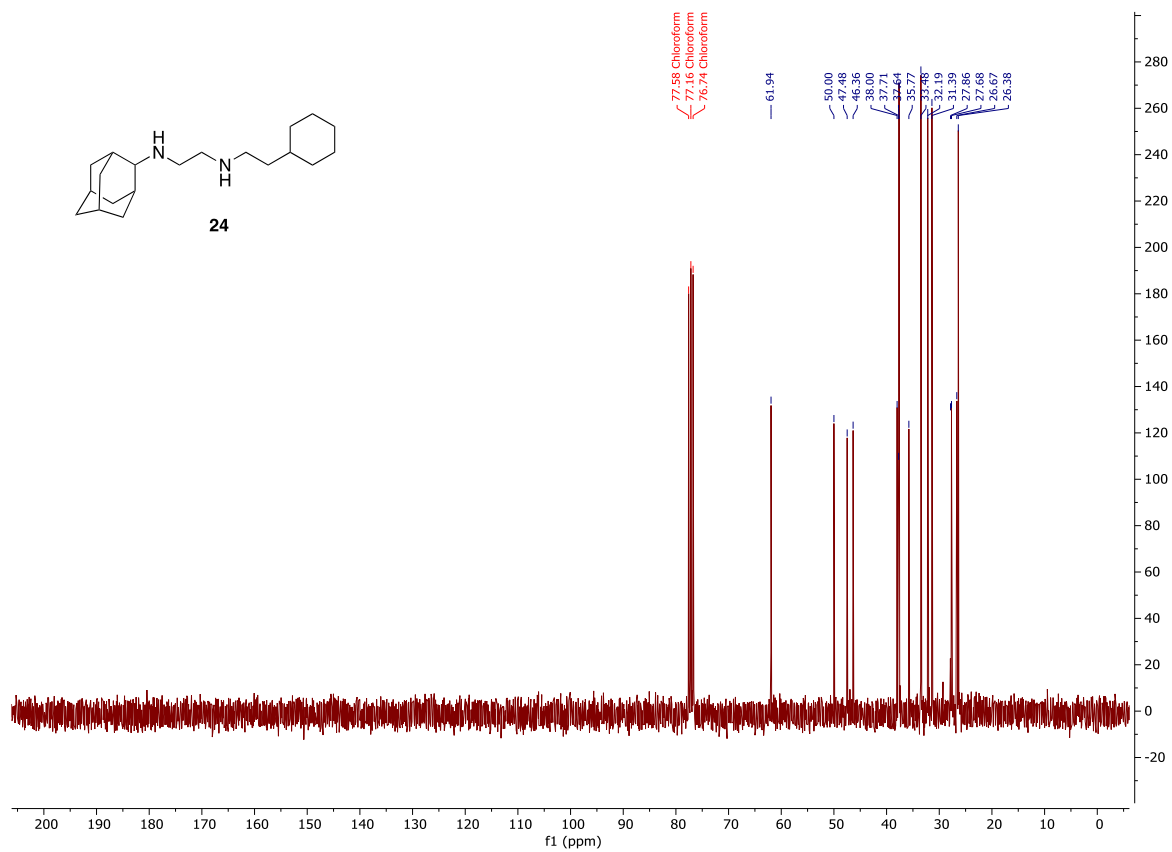


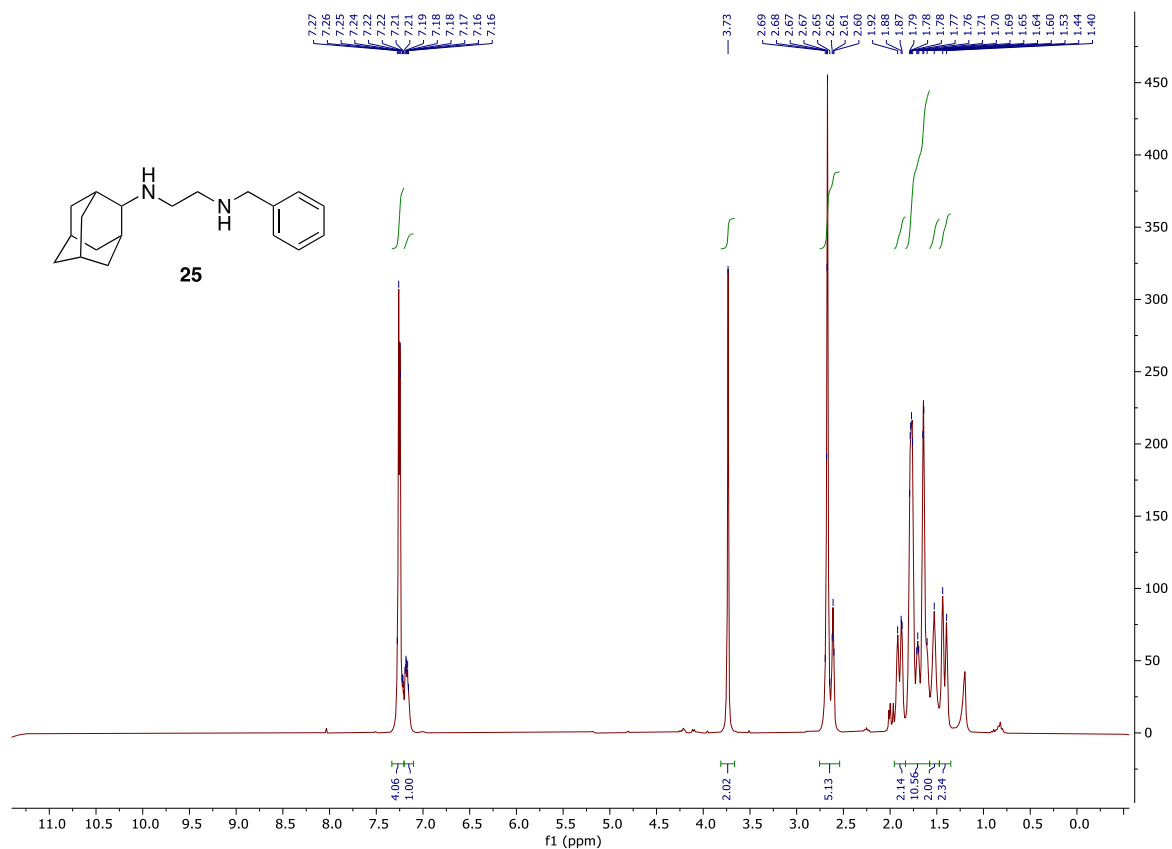
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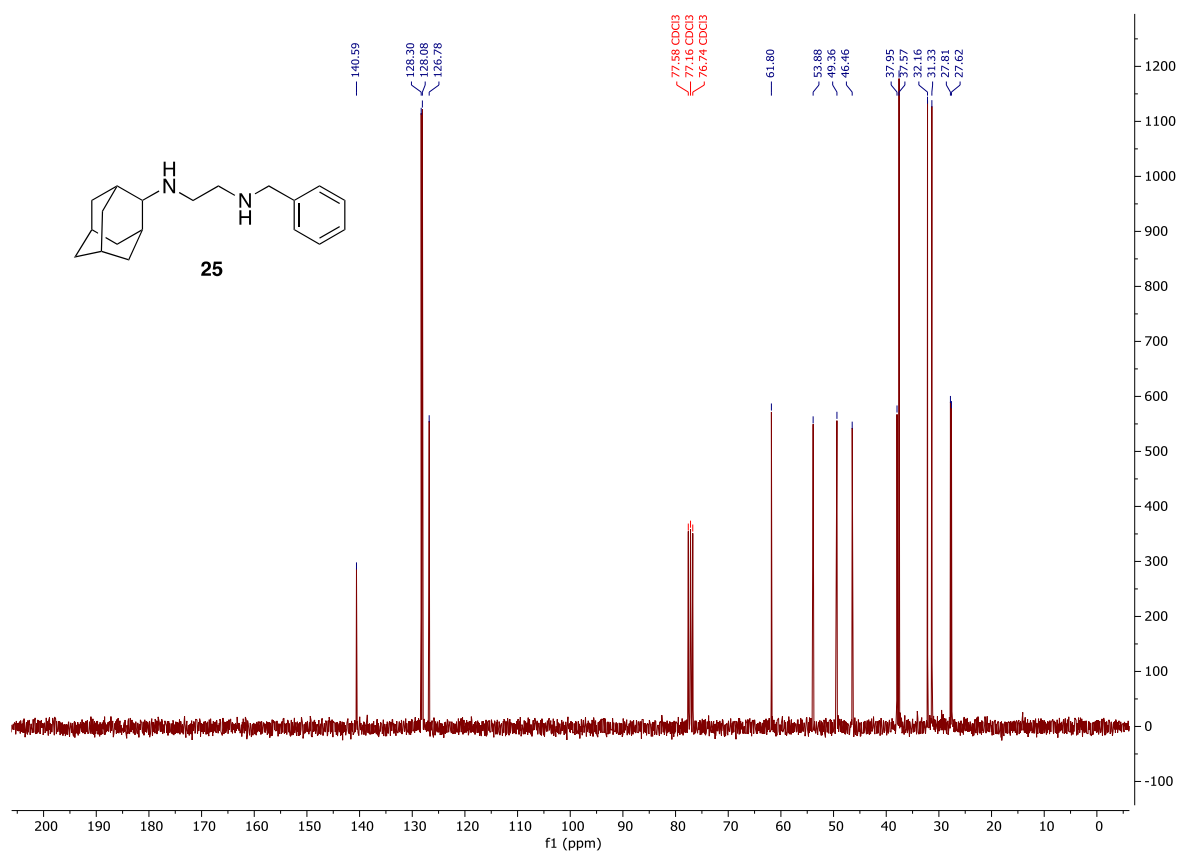
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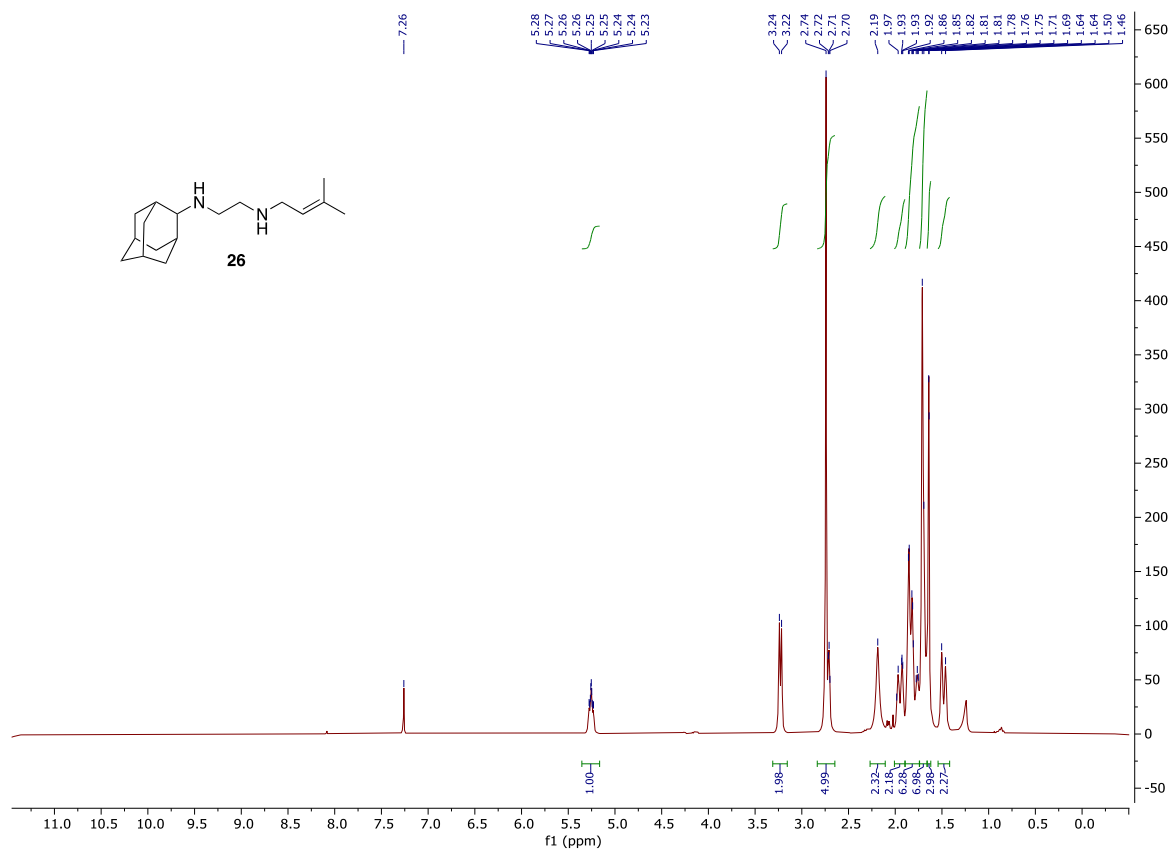


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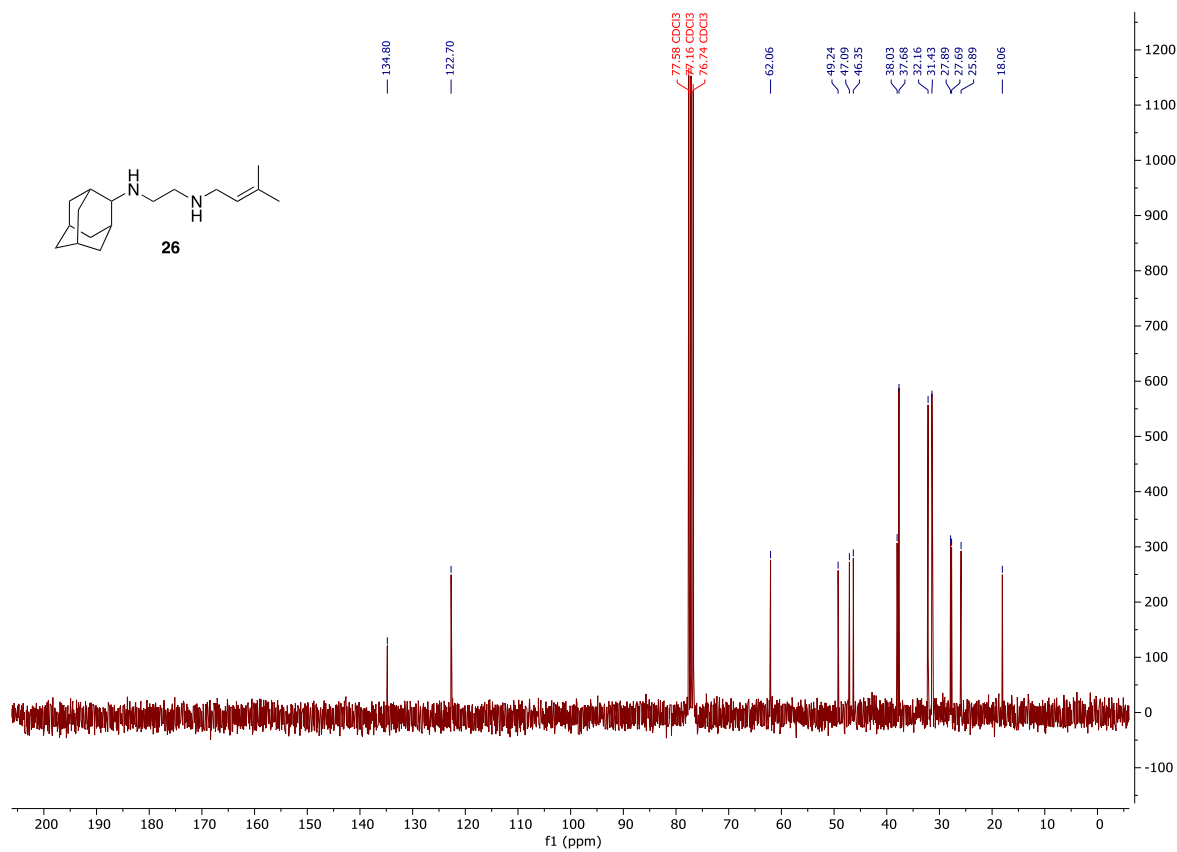
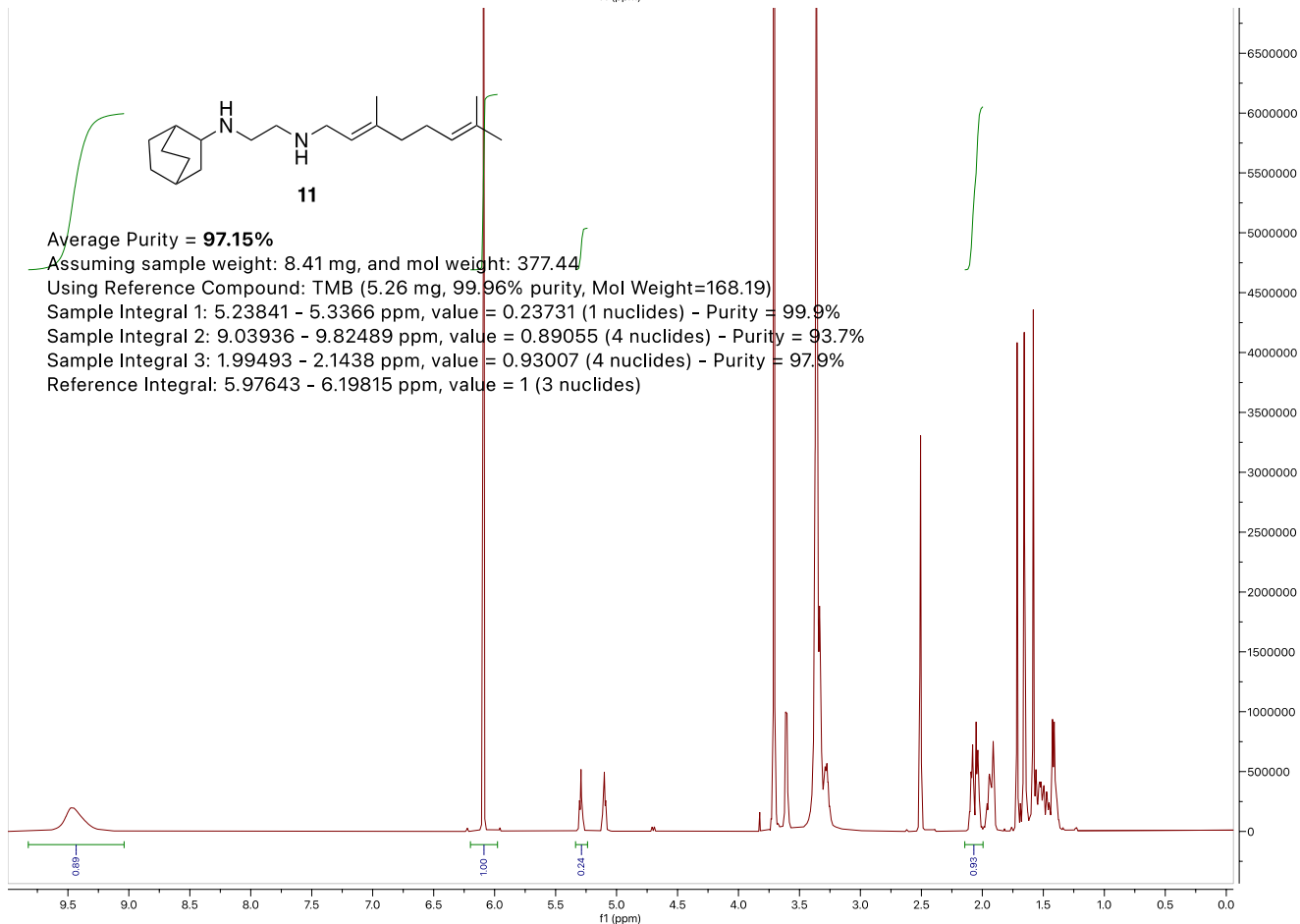
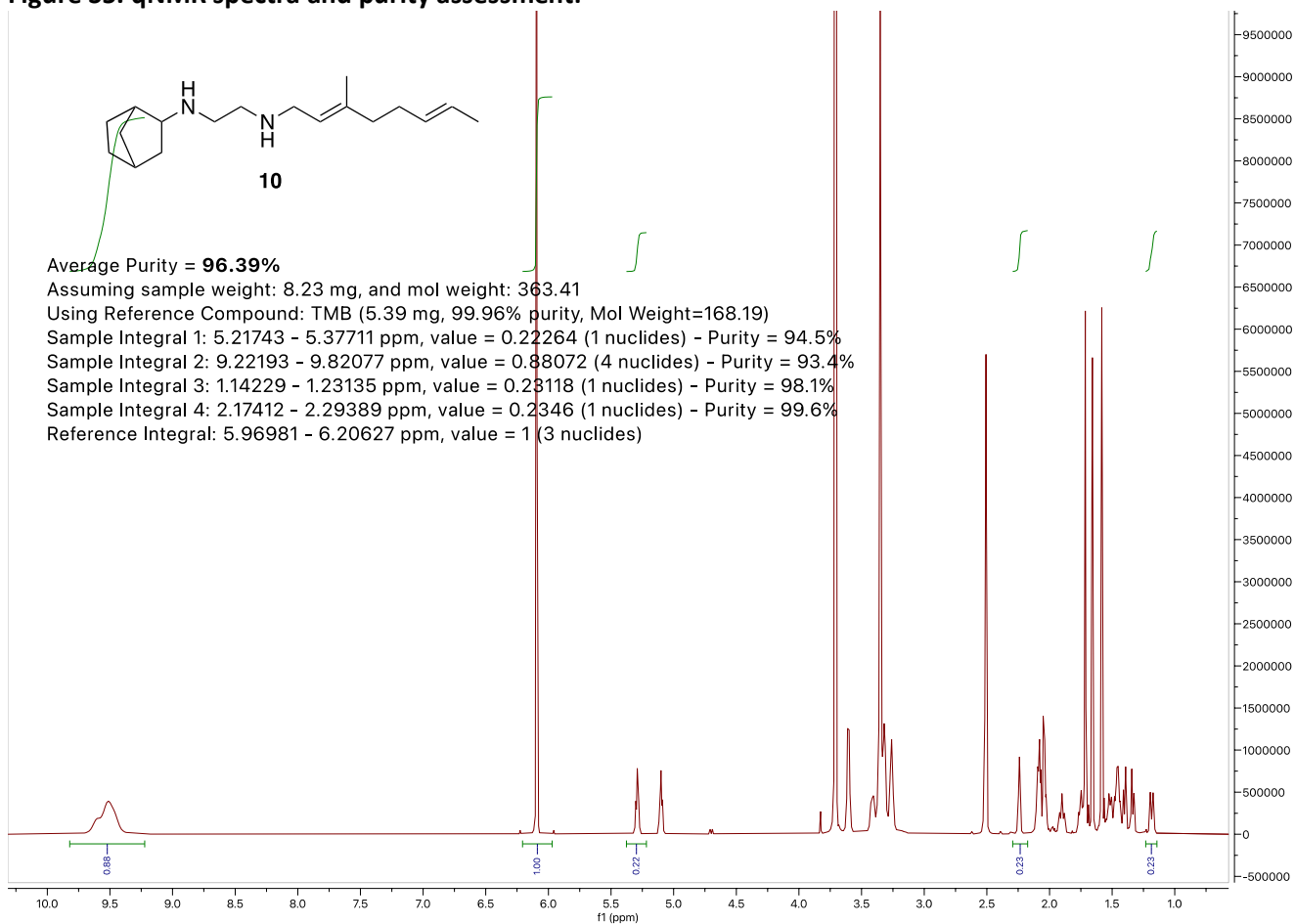
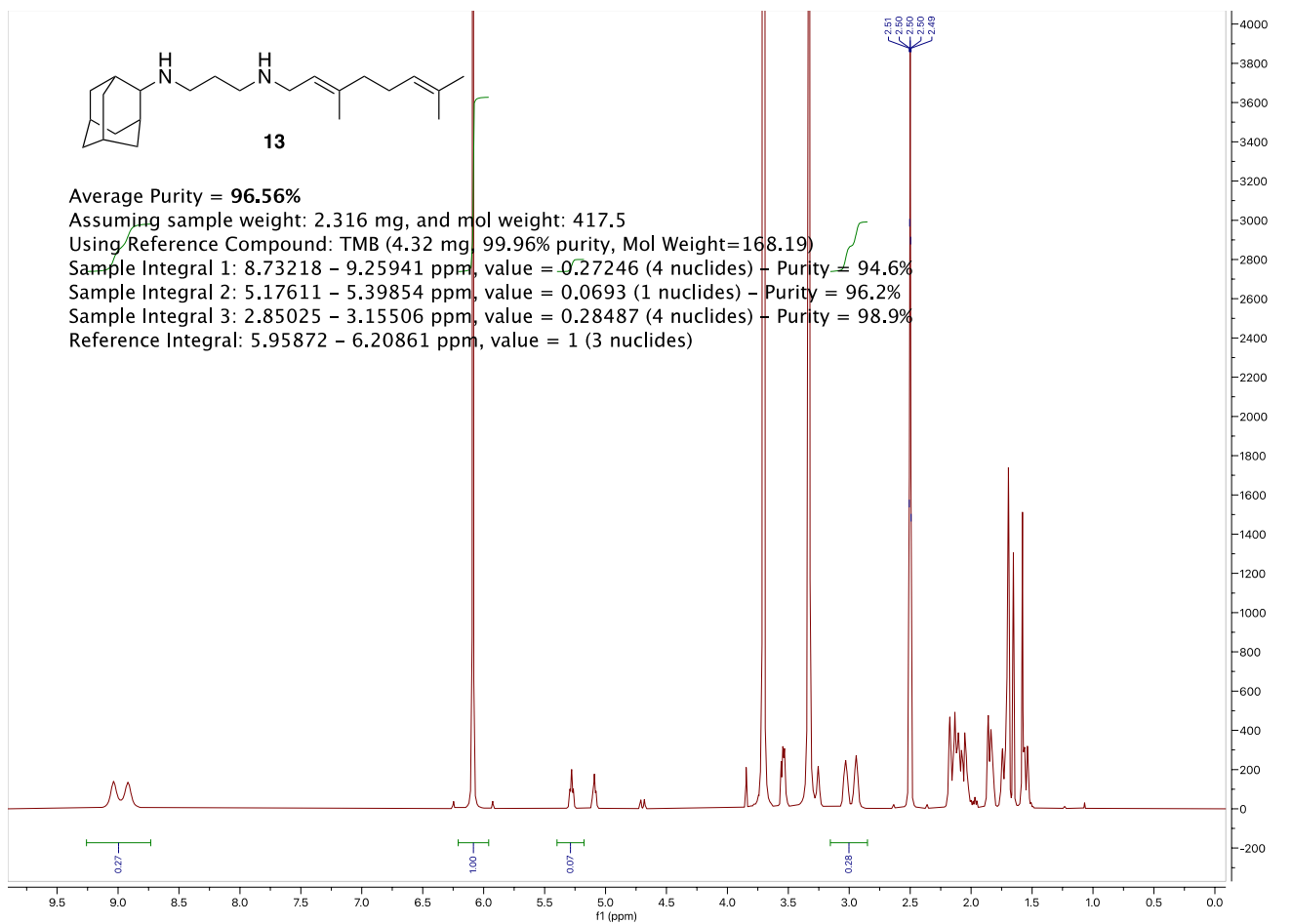
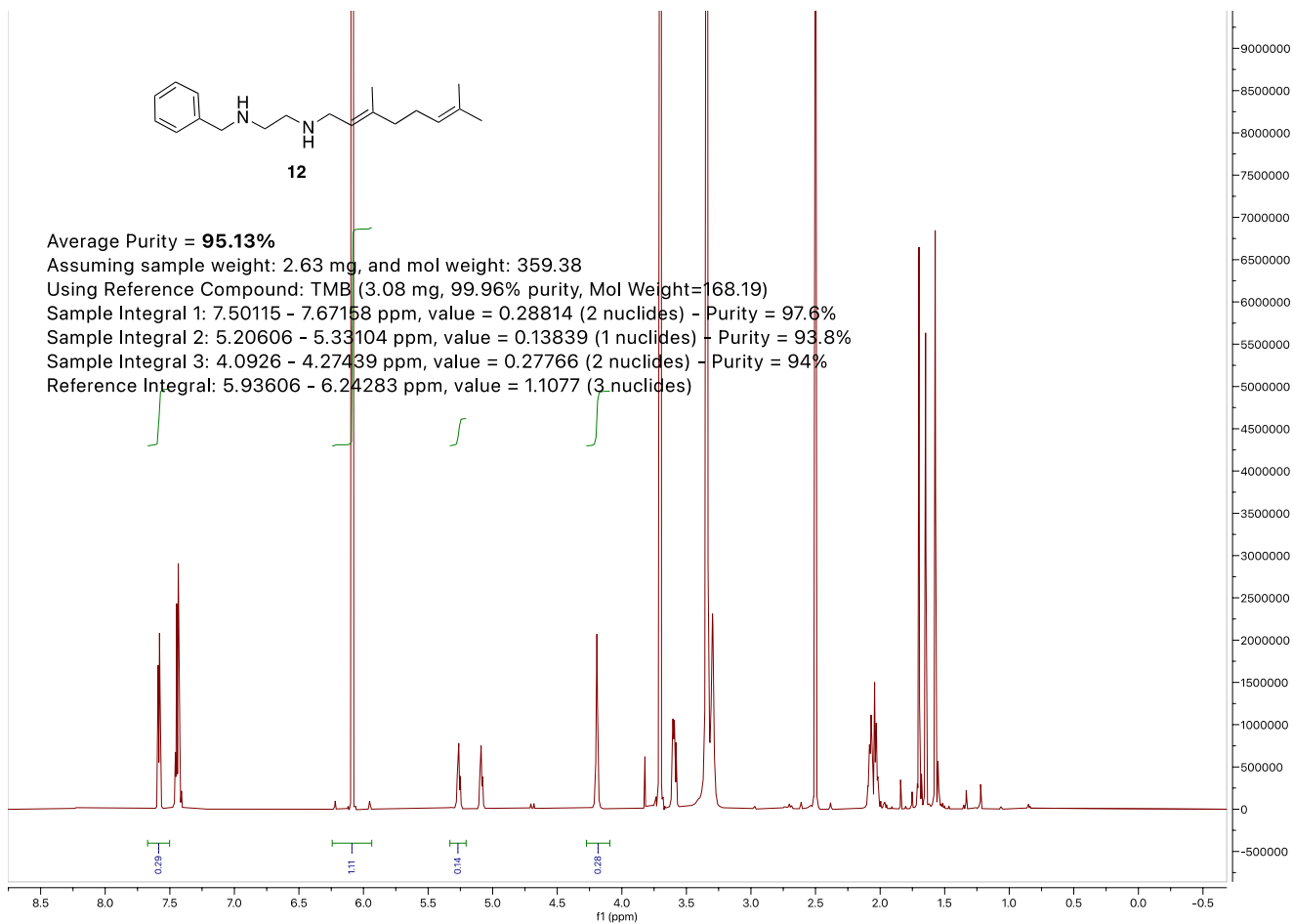
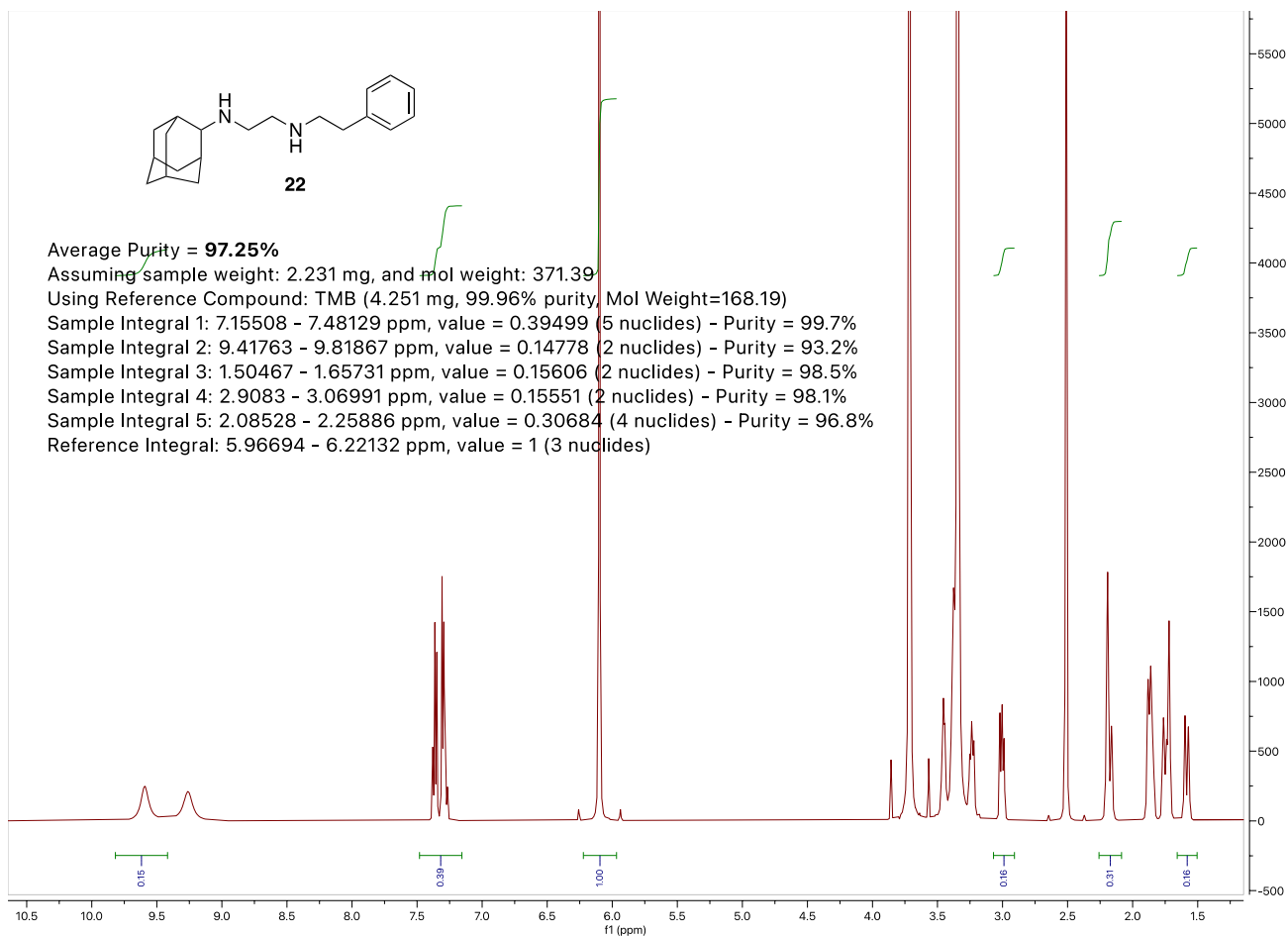
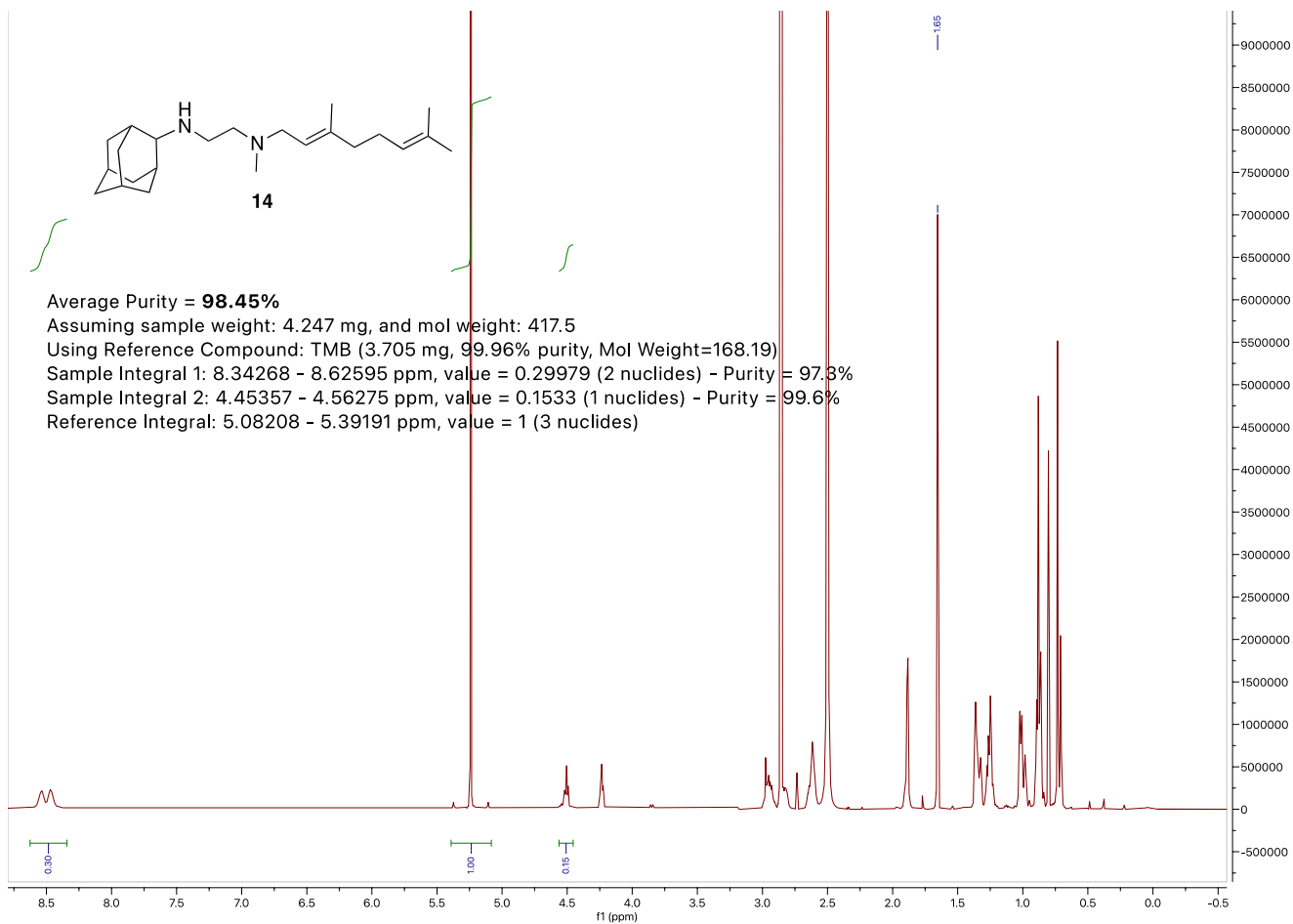


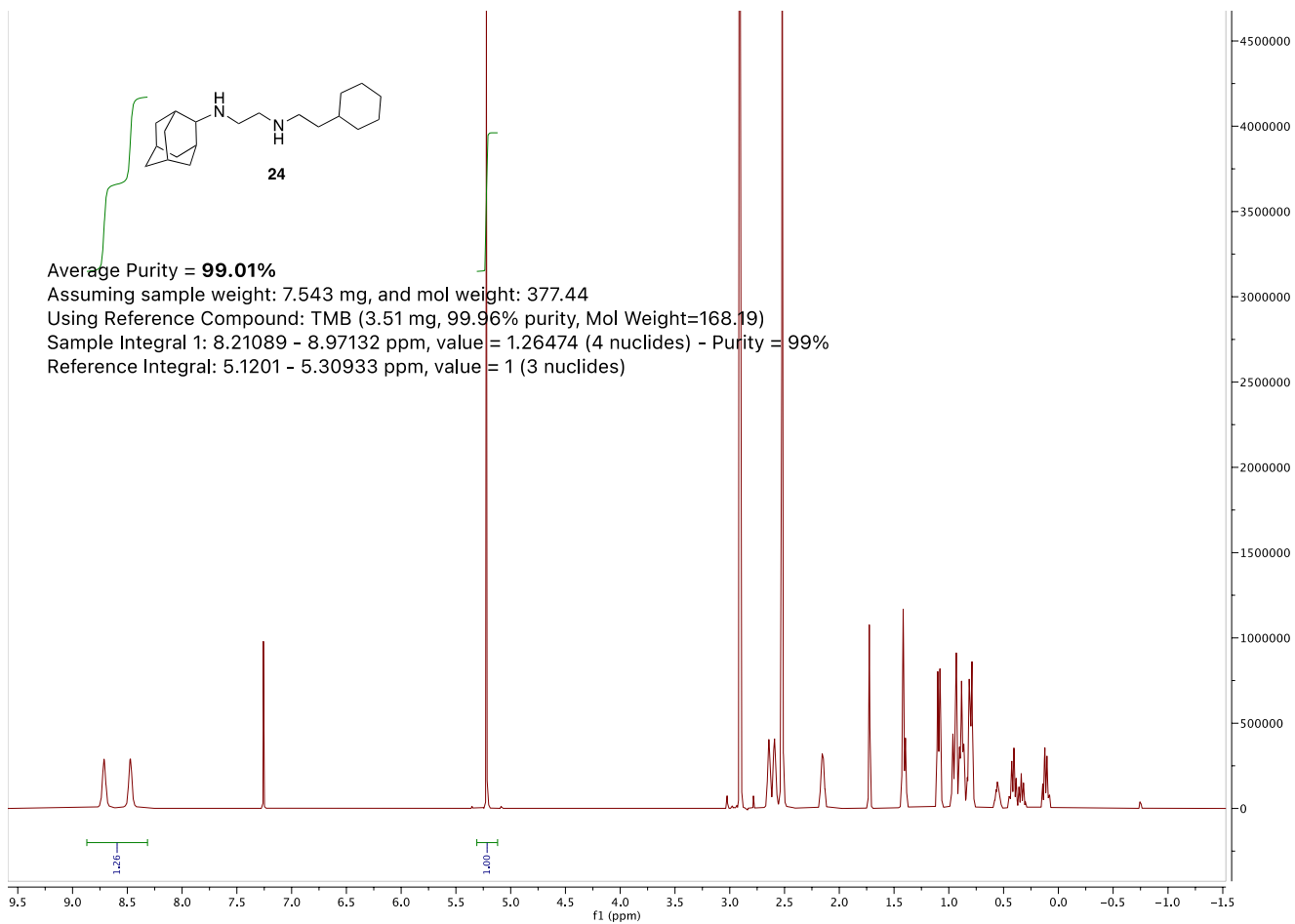
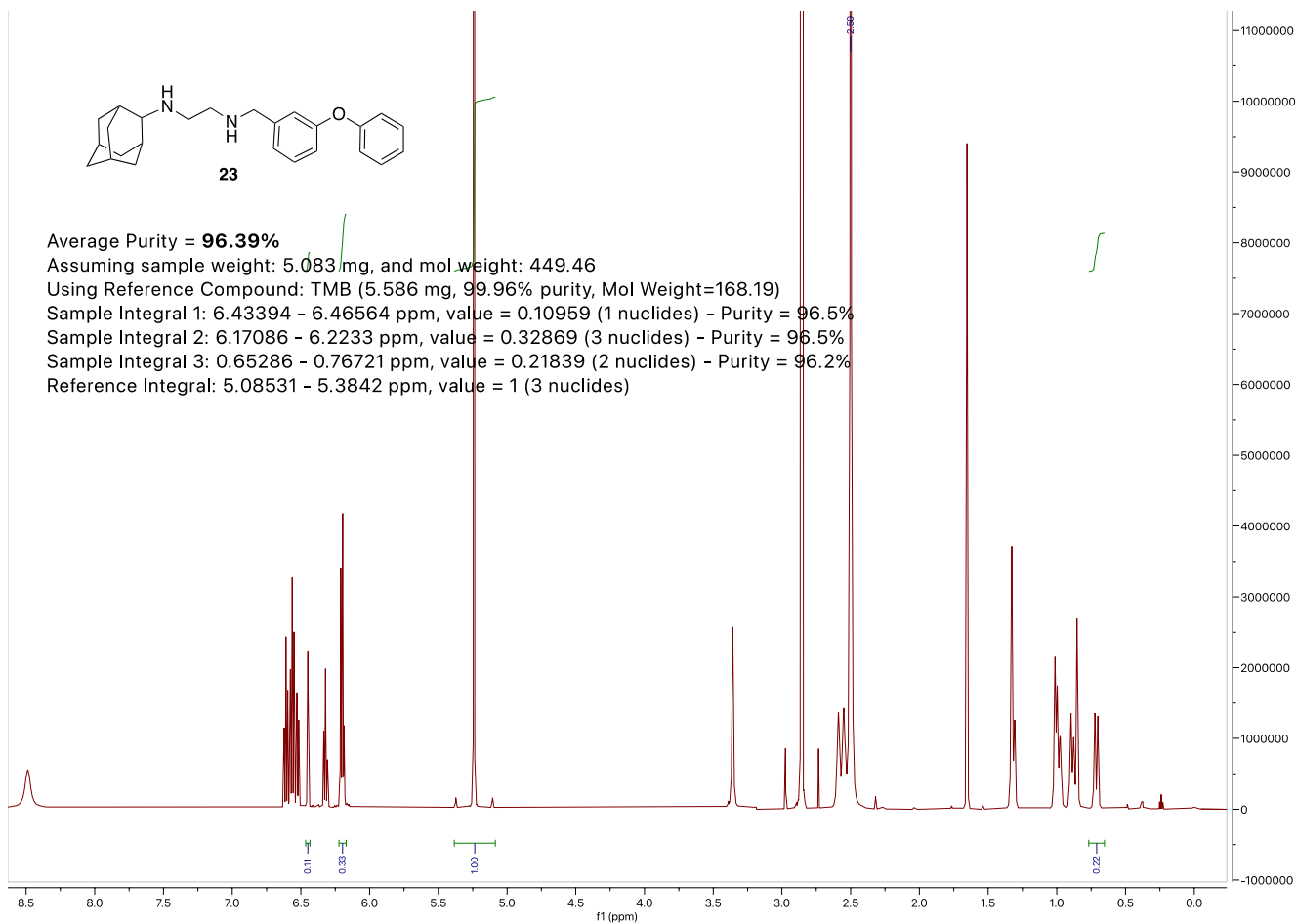
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Figure S5. qNMR spectra and purity assessment:











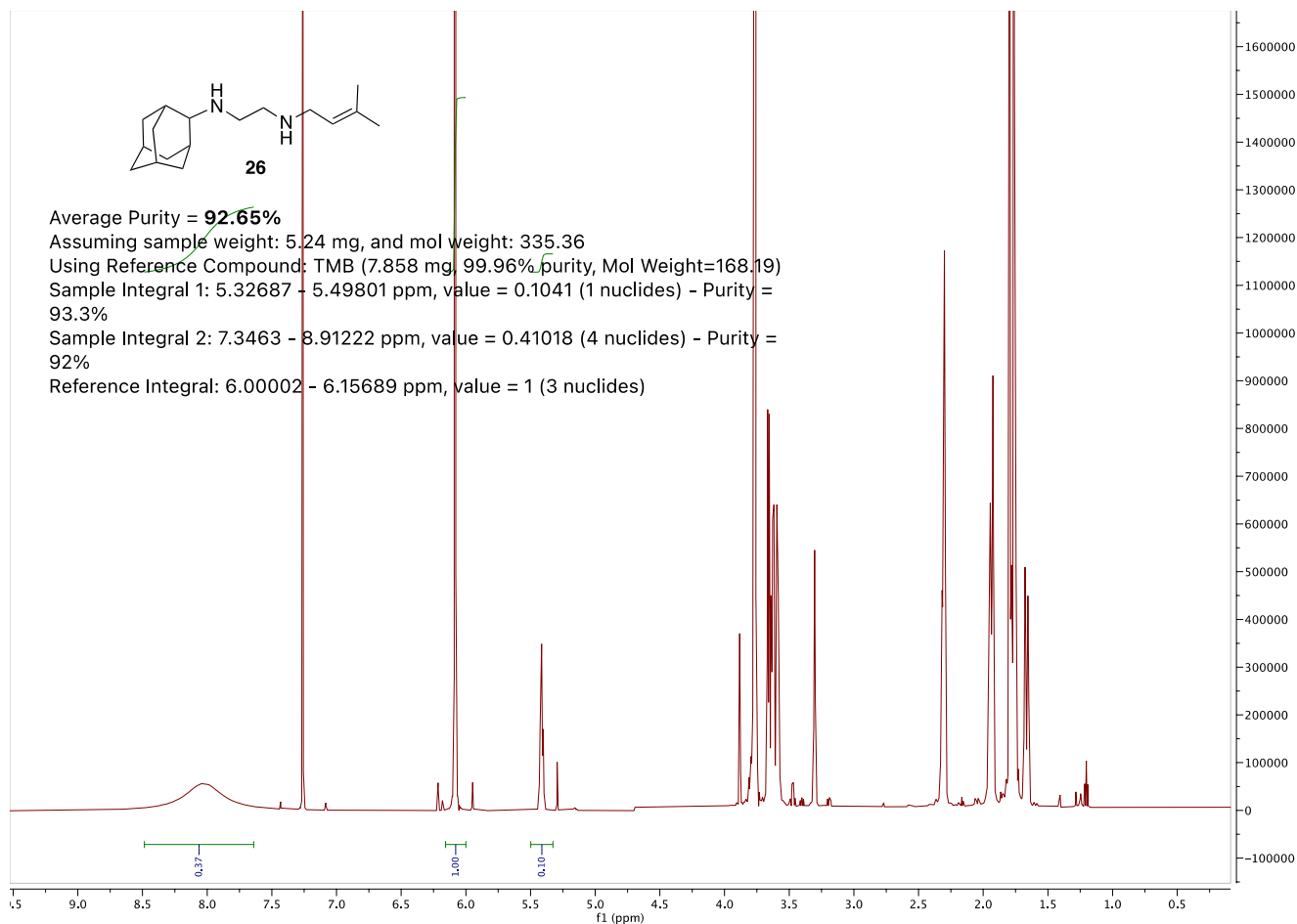
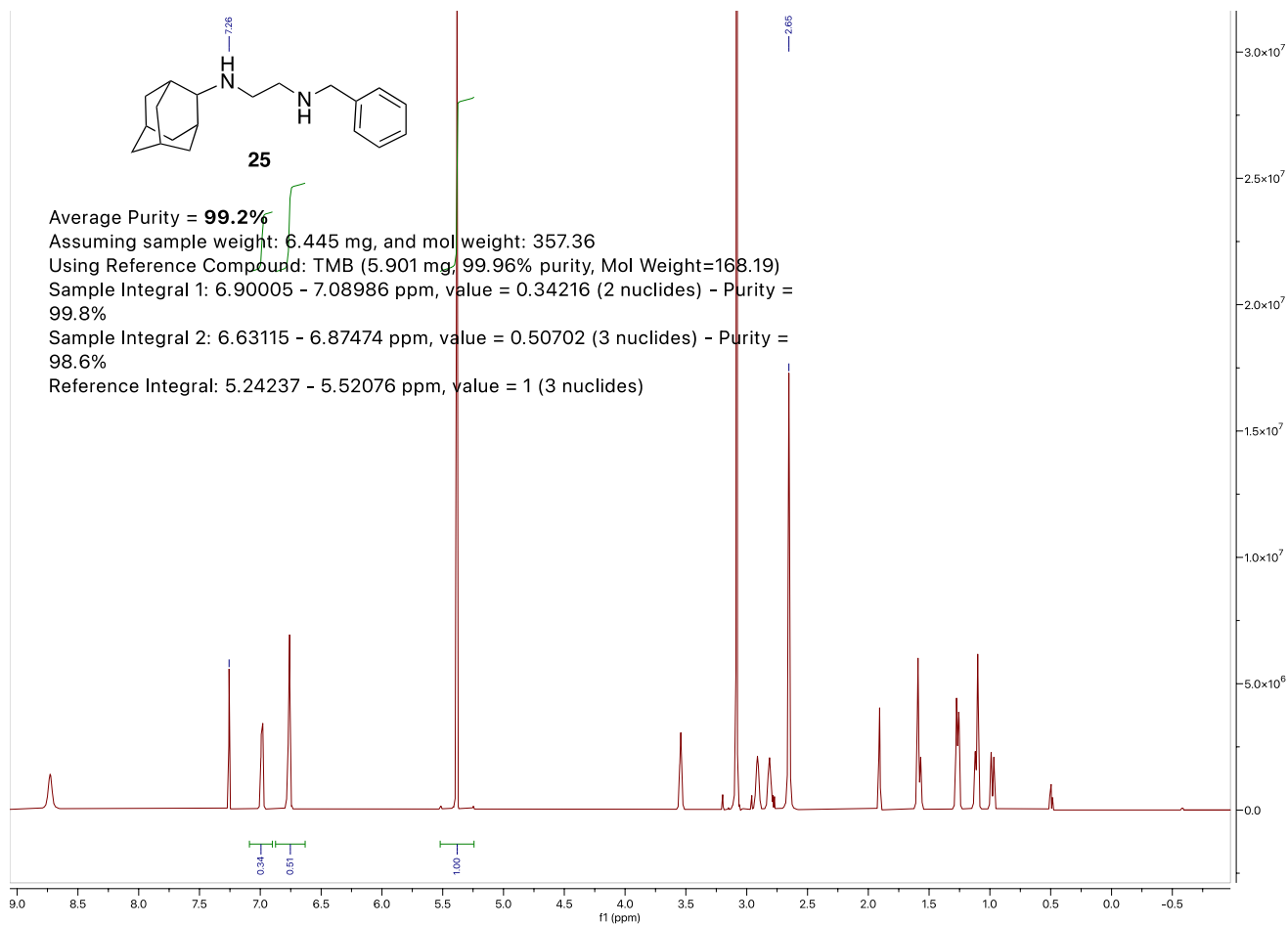


Figure S5. qNMR spectra and purity data for compounds 10-14; 22-26.



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### NMR Calculations

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Calculations for wt-% purity via <sup>1</sup>H NMR

Sample: **SQ109**

Files: **oldze23002-004**

<sup>1</sup>H NMR wt-% purity = (Ns/Ne) (MWe/MWs) (Ws/We) (Ie/Is) P

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MWe = Molecular weight of sample = 403.48 g/mol

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Average wt-% purity = **99.36%**

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7	<chem>C/C(C)=C/CC/C(C)=C/CNCCNC1(C)[C@@H]2C[C@H](C[C@H]1C3)C[C@H]3C2</chem>
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9	<chem>C/C(C)=C/CC/C(C)=C/CNCCNC12C[C@@H]3C[C@H](C1)C[C@H](C2)C3</chem>
10	<chem>C/C(C)=C/CC/C(C)=C/CNCCNC1CC2CC1CC2</chem>
11	<chem>C/C(C)=C/CC/C(C)=C/CNCCNC1CC2CCC1CC2</chem>
12	<chem>C/C(C)=C/CC/C(C)=C/CNCCNCC1=CC=CC=C1</chem>
13	<chem>C/C(CC/C=C(C)/C)=C\CNCCCNC1[C@@H]2C[C@H](C[C@H]1C3)C[C@H]3C2</chem>
14	<chem>C/C(C)=C/CC/C(C)=C/CN(C)CCNC1[C@@H]2C[C@H](C[C@H]1C3)C[C@H]3C2</chem>
15	<chem>C/C(C)=C/CC/C(C)=C/COCCNC1[C@@H]2C[C@H](C[C@H]1C3)C[C@H]3C2</chem>
16	<chem>C/C(C)=C/CC/C(C)=C/CNCCOC1[C@@H]2C[C@H](C[C@H]1C3)C[C@H]3C2</chem>
17	<chem>C/C(C)=C/CC/C(C)=C/CNCC(NC1[C@@H]2C[C@H](C[C@H]1C3)C[C@H]3C2)=O</chem>
18	<chem>C/C(C)=C/CC/C(C)=C/CNC(CNC1[C@@H]2C[C@H](C[C@H]1C3)C[C@H]3C2)=O</chem>
19	<chem>CC(C)CCCC(C)CCNCCNC1[C@@H]2C[C@H](C[C@H]1C3)C[C@H]3C2</chem>
20	<chem>CC(C)CCCC(C)CCCC(C)CCNCCNC1[C@@H]2C[C@H](C[C@H]1C3)C[C@H]3C2</chem>
21	<chem>C/C(C)=C/CC/C(C)=C/CC/C(C)=C/CNCCNC1[C@@H]2C[C@H](C[C@H]1C3)C[C@H]3C2</chem>
22	<chem>[C@@H]1(C[C@@H]2C3NCCNCCC4=CC=CC=C4)C[C@H](C2)C[C@H]3C1</chem>
23	<chem>[C@@H]1(C[C@@H]2C3NCCNCCC4=CC=CC(OC5=CC=CC=C5)=C4)C[C@H](C2)C[C@H]3C1</chem>

24	[C@@H]1(C[C@@H]2C3NCCNCCC4CCCCC4)C[C@H](C2)C[C@H]3C1
25	[C@@H]1(C[C@@H]2C3NCCNCC4=CC=CC=C4)C[C@H](C2)C[C@H]3C1
26	C/C(C)=C/CNCCNC1[C@@H]2C[C@H](C[C@H]1C3)C[C@H]3C2