

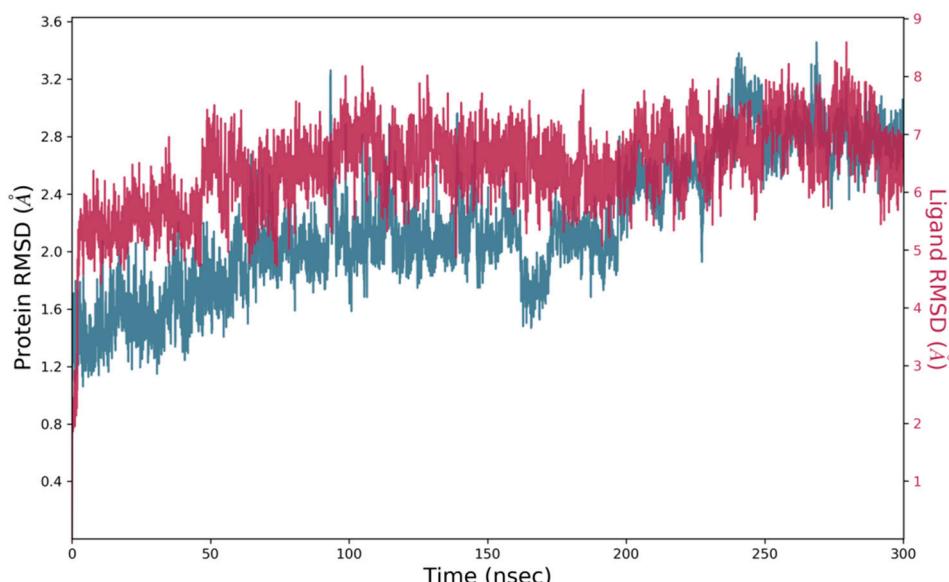
# The Potential of Usnic-Acid-Based Thiazolo-Thiophenes as Inhibitors of the Main Protease of SARS-CoV-2 Viruses

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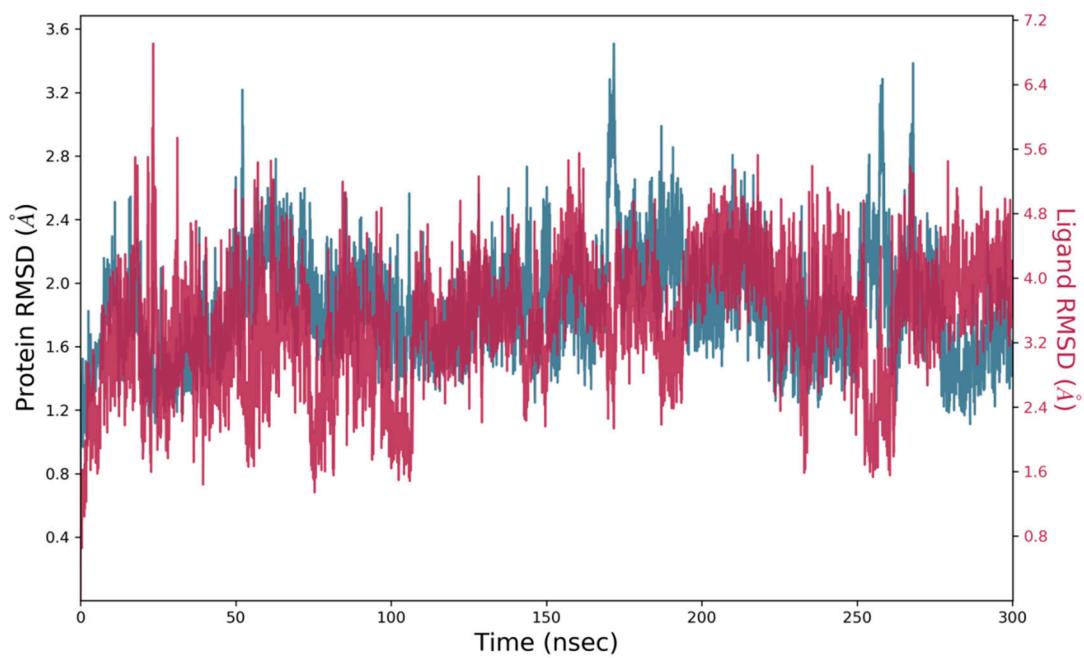
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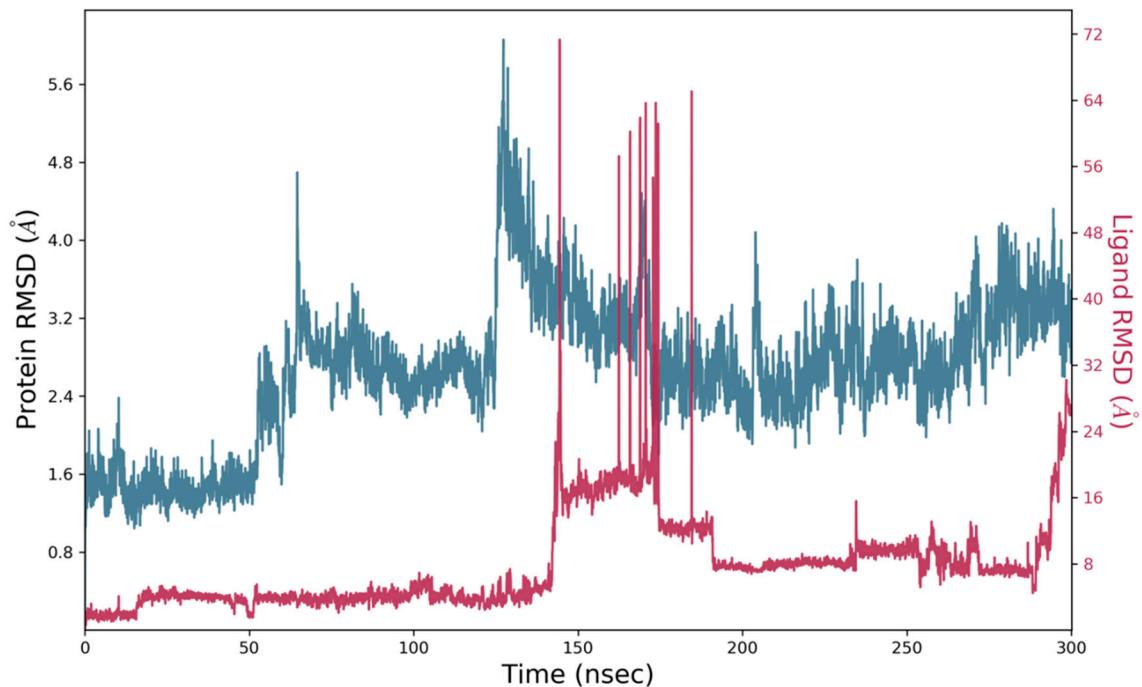
Analysis of molecular dynamics simulations  
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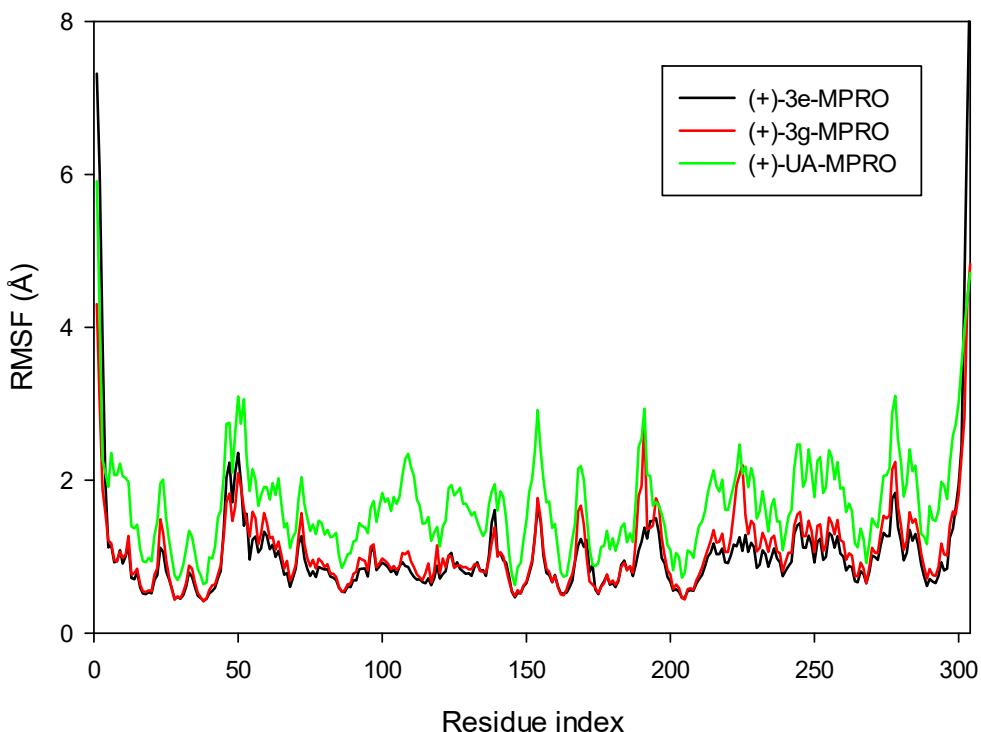
**Figure S1.** Fluctuation of the root mean square deviation (RMSD) values of atoms in the 3CLpro-(+)-3e complex.



**Figure S2.** Fluctuation of the root mean square deviation (RMSD) values of atoms in the 3CLpro-(+)-3g complex.



**Figure S3.** Fluctuation of the root mean square deviation (RMSD) values of atoms in the 3CLpro-(+)-1 complex.



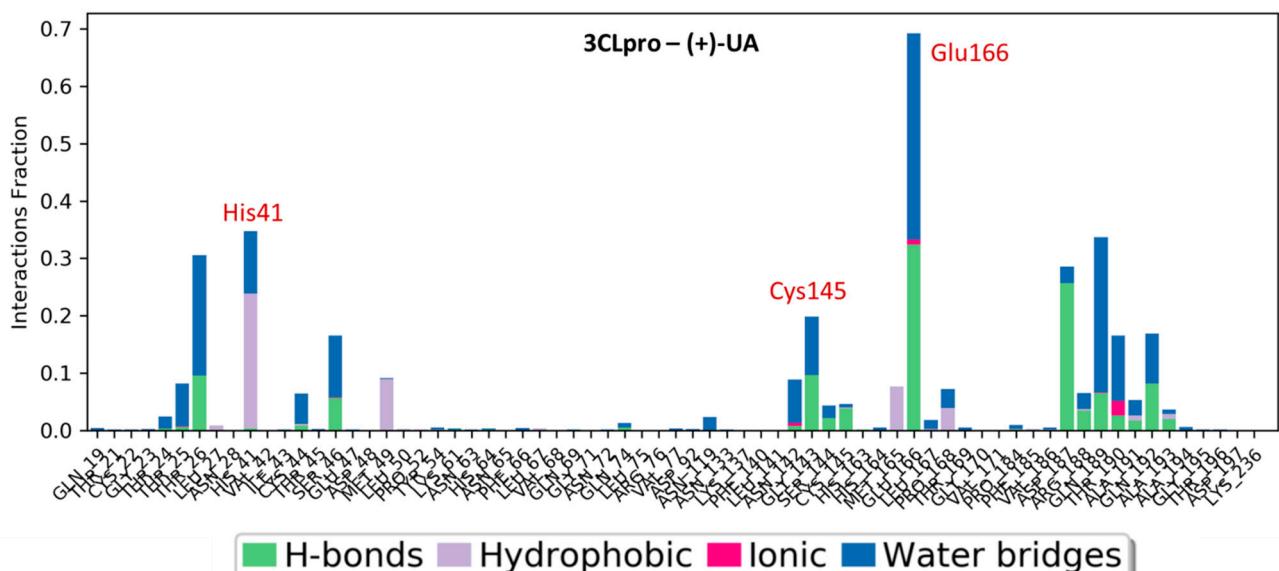
**Figure S4.** Root mean square fluctuation (RMSF) of changes in the position of MPRO subunit atoms with ligands in the binding site.

#### Registration of contacts between ligand and protein atoms

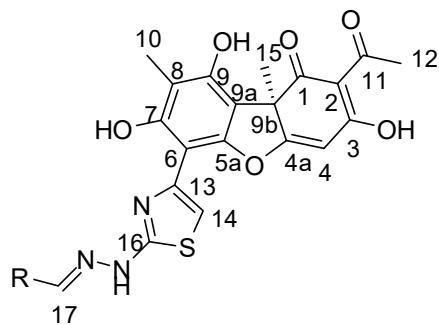
The figures below show histograms of registered contacts between ligand atoms and surrounding amino acid residues. 1.0 corresponds to 100%, i.e., one or another contact is recorded during the entire simulation time. Hydrogen bridges are detected at a distance of up to 2.5 Å, at an angle of  $\geq 120^\circ$  in the combination D(donor)—H - - A(acceptor) or  $\geq 90^\circ$  in the combination H - - A(acceptor)—X.

Hydrophobic contacts include three types of interactions:  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking,  $\pi$ -cation stacking, and other non-specific interactions, including contacts between hydrophobic amino acid residues and aromatic (and/or aliphatic) groups of the ligand. Contacts are recorded at a distance of 4.5 Å between aromatic and charged groups ( $\pi$ -cation),  $\pi$ - $\pi$  sandwich or “T-form” stacking; nonspecific hydrophobic interactions up to 3.6 Å.

Ionic interactions (or salt bridges) are detected at a distance of 3.4 Å between charged atoms. Water bridges correspond to contacts of the ligand with the atoms of amino acid residues through a water molecule. Bonds are recorded at a distance of up to 2.8 Å, at an angle of  $\geq 110^\circ$  in the combination D(donor)—H - - A(acceptor) or  $\geq 90^\circ$  in the combination H - - A(acceptor)—X.



**Figure S5.** Contacts between atoms of the ligand and surrounding amino acid residues recorded throughout the entire simulation of the 3CLpro-(+)-1 complex.



The  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra of compounds 3a-f was recorded using  $\text{CDCl}_3$  as a solvent. The  $^1\text{H}$  and  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectra of compounds 3g was recorded using  $\text{CDCl}_3$  as a solvent.

Spectra NMR  $^1\text{H}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ): 1.67 (3H, s, H-15), 2.13 (3H, s, H-10), 2.61 (3H, s, H-12), 5.88 (1H, s, H-4). Spectra NMR  $^{13}\text{C}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ): 8.3 (C-10), 27.6 (C-12), 32.0 (C-15), 59.3 (C-9b), 97.2 (C-4), 97.3 (C-9a), 103.3 (C-6), 104.4 (C-14), 105.0 (C-2), 108.8 (C-8), 143.4 (C-13), 151.3 (C-7), 151.4 (C-9), 156.3 (C-5a), 166.4 (C-16), 180.4 (C-4a), 191.5 (C-3), 197.9 (C-1), 201.2 (C-11).

Spectra NMR  $^1\text{H}$  ( $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ ,  $\delta$ ): 1.70 (3H, s, H-15), 2.03 (3H, s, H-10), 2.60 (3H, s, H-12), 6.20 (1H, s, H-4). Spectra NMR  $^{13}\text{C}$  ( $\text{DMSO-d}_6$ ,  $\delta$ ): 8.3 (C-10), 27.6 (C-12), 32.0 (C-15), 59.0 (C-9b), 96.9 (C-9a), 97.3 (C-4), 103.3 (C-6), 105.1 (C-2), 105.6 (C-14), 107.3 (C-8), 143.0 (C-13), 151.3 (C-7), 151.4 (C-9), 156.3 (C-5a), 166.4 (C-16), 180.4 (C-4a), 191.5 (C-3), 197.9 (C-1), 201.2 (C-11).

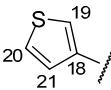
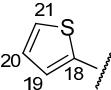
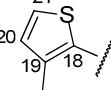
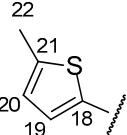
**Table S1:** Spectra NMR  $^1\text{H}$  of **3a-3d** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ):

Nº	<b>3a</b>	<b>3b</b>	<b>3c</b>	<b>3d</b>
<b>Structure</b>				
<b>H-14</b>	s 7.12	s 7.08	s 7.09	s 7.23
<b>H-17</b>	s 7.78	s 7.81	s 7.73	s 8.16
<b>H-19</b>	s 7.43	d 7.08 ( <i>J</i> =3.4 Hz)		d 7.19 ( <i>J</i> =4.9 Hz)
<b>H-20</b>	d 7.46 ( <i>J</i> =4.9 Hz)	m 6.94	d 6.72 ( <i>J</i> =5.3 Hz)	m 6.79
<b>H-21</b>	m 7.31	d 7.27 ( <i>J</i> =5.0 Hz)	d 7.14 ( <i>J</i> =4.9 Hz)	
<b>H-22</b>			s 2.23	s 2.46
<b>NH</b>	bs 8.99	bs 9.48	bs 9.11	---
<b>OH-3</b>	s 18.79	s 18.78	s 18.78	bs 18.82
<b>OH-7</b>	---	---	---	s 12.27
<b>OH-9</b>	s 10.28	s 10.27	s 10.26	s 10.27

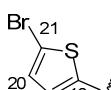
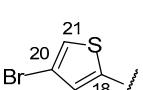
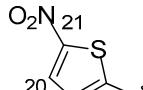
**Table S2:** Spectra NMR  $^1\text{H}$  of **3e-3g** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ):

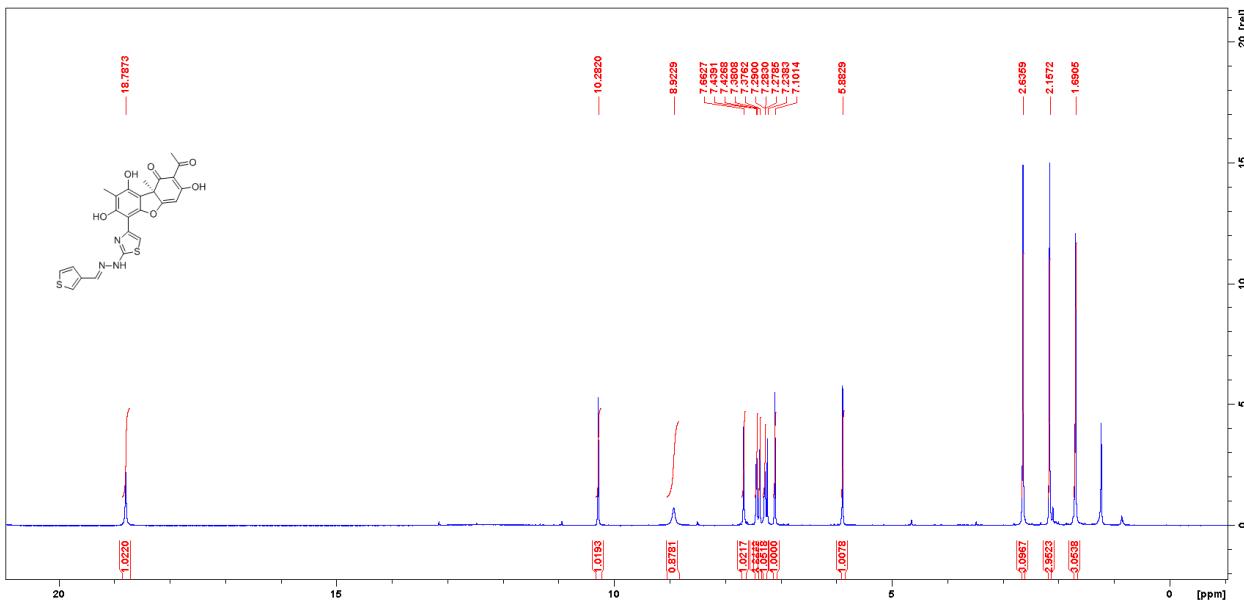
Nº	<b>3e</b>	<b>3f</b>	<b>3g</b>
<b>Structure</b>			
<b>H-14</b>	s 7.11	s 7.04	s 7.27
<b>H-17</b>	s 7.58	bs 8.12	s 8.08
<b>H-19</b>	d 6.77 ( <i>J</i> =3.8 Hz)	s 7.04	d 7.34 ( <i>J</i> =4.5 Hz)
<b>H-20</b>	d 6.86 ( <i>J</i> =3.8 Hz)		d 7.98 ( <i>J</i> =4.5 Hz)
<b>H-21</b>		s 7.19	
<b>H-22</b>			
<b>NH</b>	bs 9.06	---	s 12.78
<b>OH-3</b>	s 18.79	s 18.79	bs 18.78
<b>OH-7</b>	---	---	s 12.49
<b>OH-9</b>	s 10.29	s 10.40	s 10.23

**Table S3:** Spectra NMR  $^{13}\text{C}$  of **3a-3d** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ):

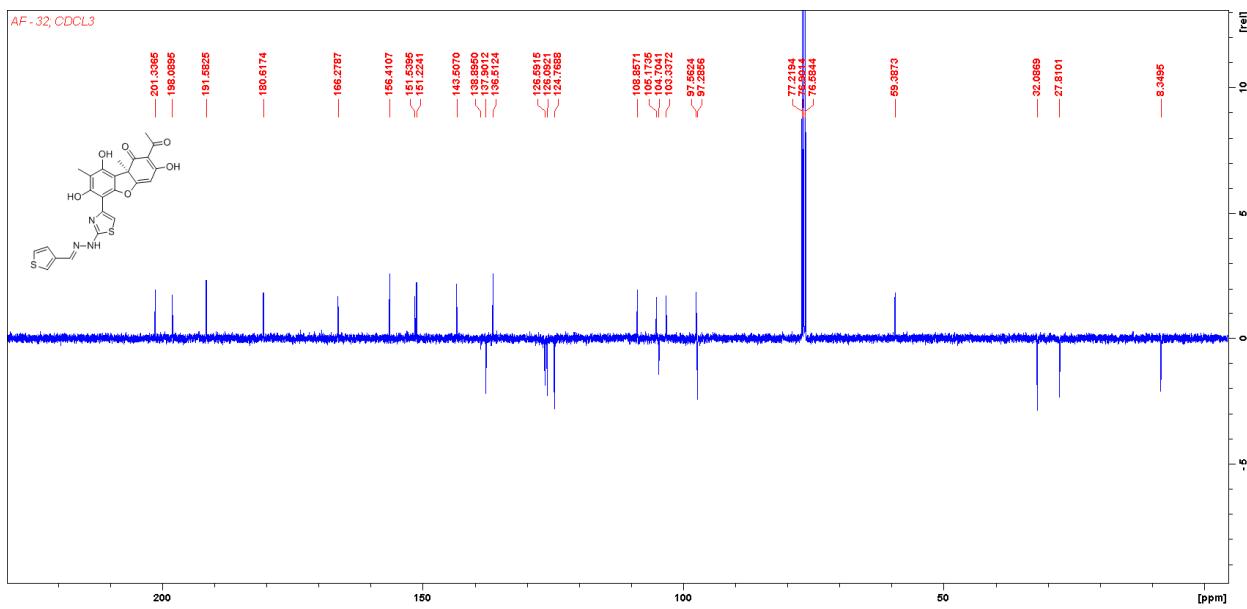
<b>Nº</b>	<b>3a</b>	<b>3b</b>	<b>3c</b>	<b>3d</b>
<b>Structure</b>				
<b>C-17</b>	137.90	142.67	136.47	138.62
<b>C-18</b>	136.51	138.12	131.71	136.51
<b>C-19</b>	124.77	137.70	138.95	130.36
<b>C-20</b>	126.09	127.87	126.73	126.38
<b>C-21</b>	126.59	129.21	130.60	142.34
<b>C-22</b>			13.95	15.35

**Table S4:** Spectra NMR  $^{13}\text{C}$  of **3e-3g** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\delta$ ):

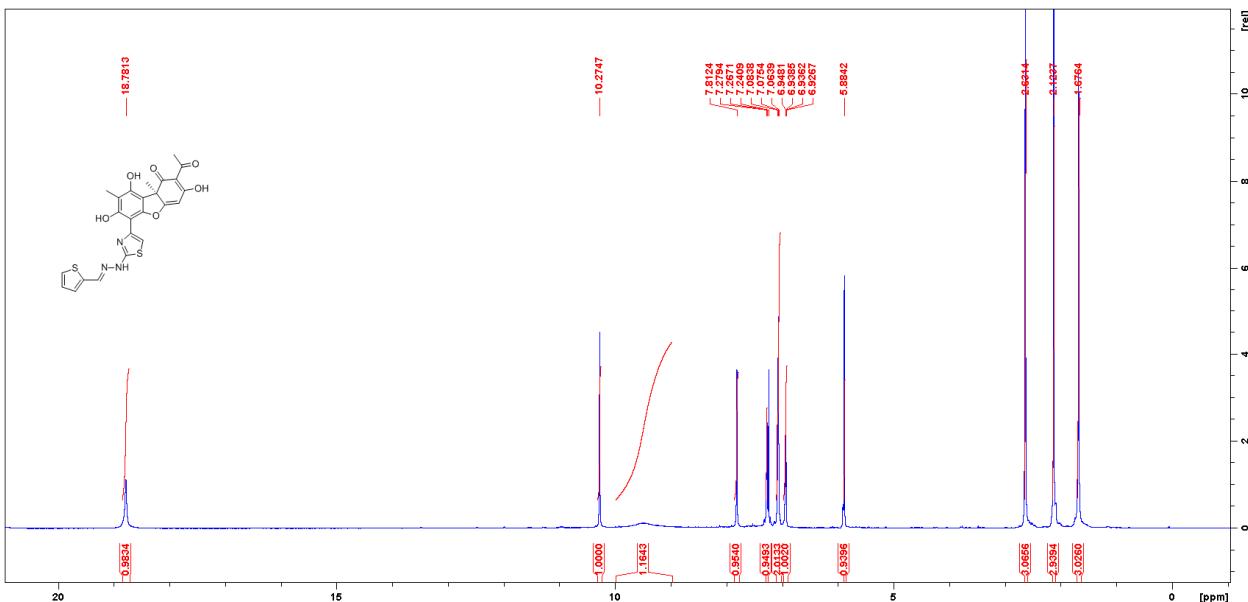
<b>Nº</b>	<b>3e</b>	<b>3f</b>	<b>3g</b>
<b>Structure</b>			
<b>C-17</b>	135.97	138.68	135.56
<b>C-18</b>	139.39	138.72	146.60
<b>C-19</b>	128.64	131.84	130.58
<b>C-20</b>	129.92	110.30	128.13
<b>C-21</b>	115.29	125.35	149.84
<b>C-22</b>			



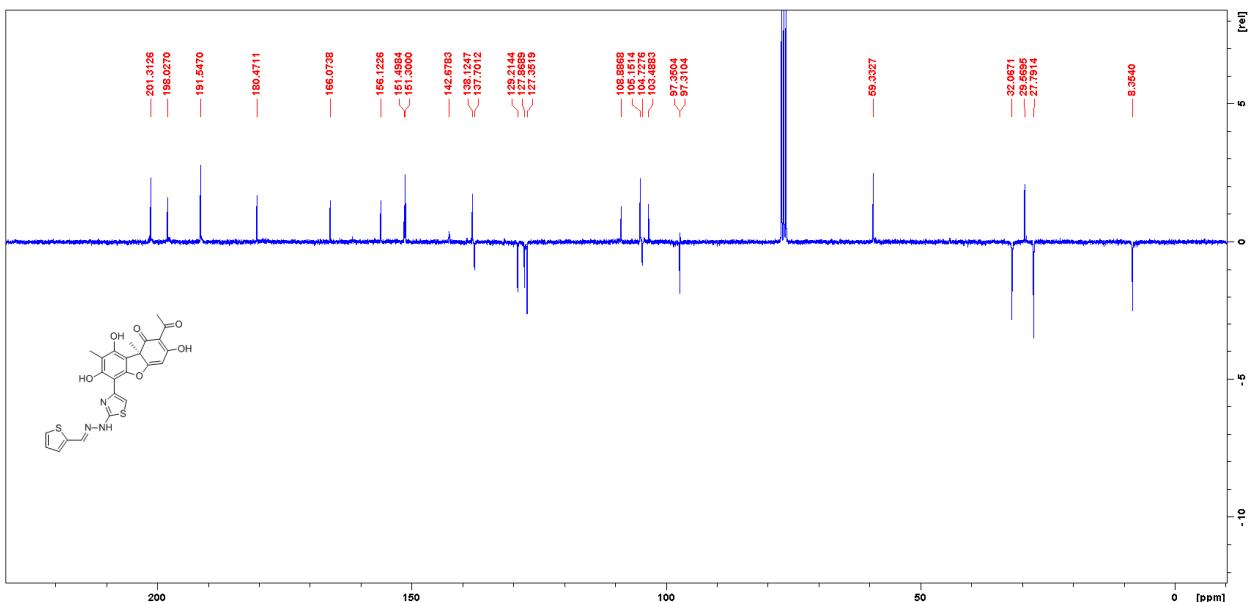
**Figure S6.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR Spectrum of compound (+)-3a



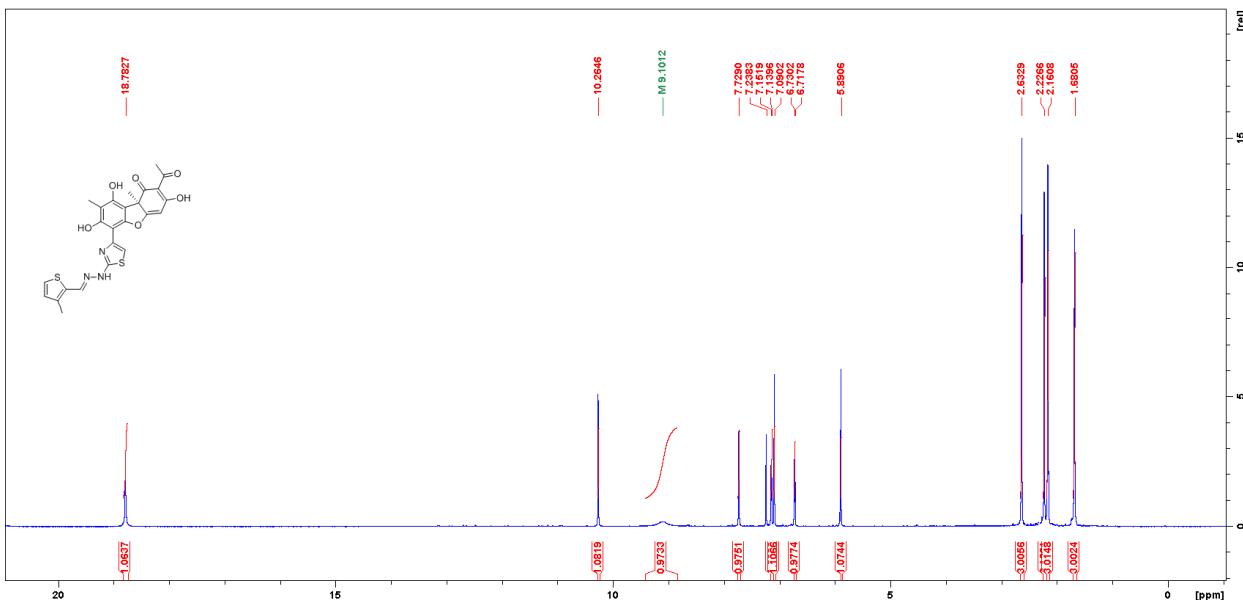
**Figure S7.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR Spectrum of compound (+)-3a



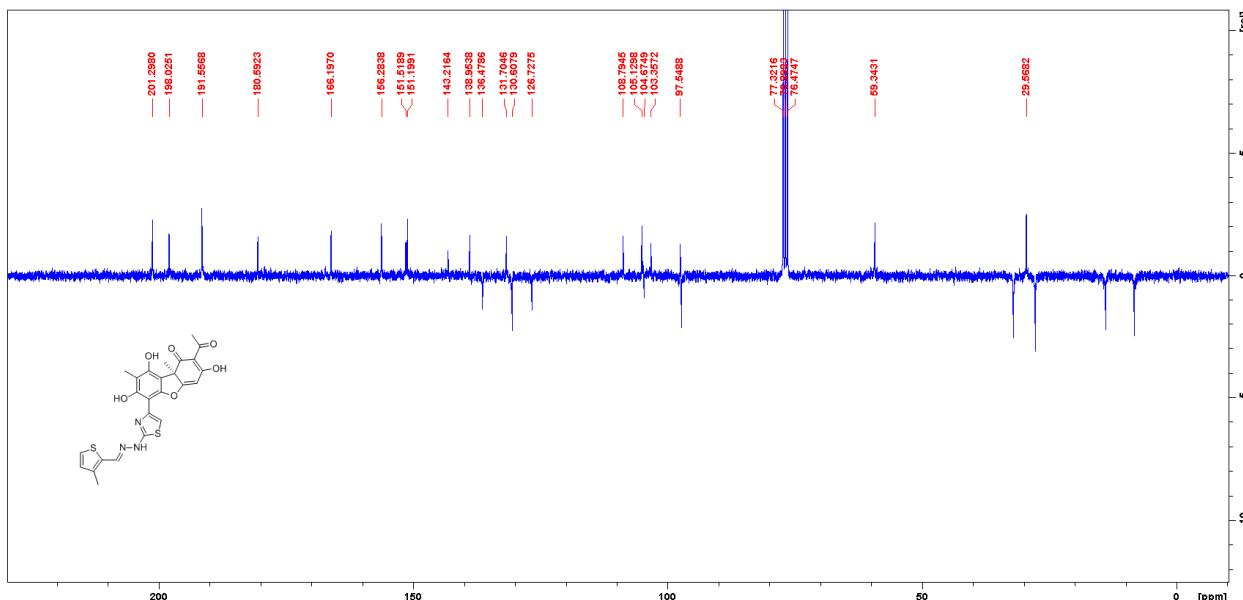
**Figure S8.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR Spectrum of compound (+)-3b



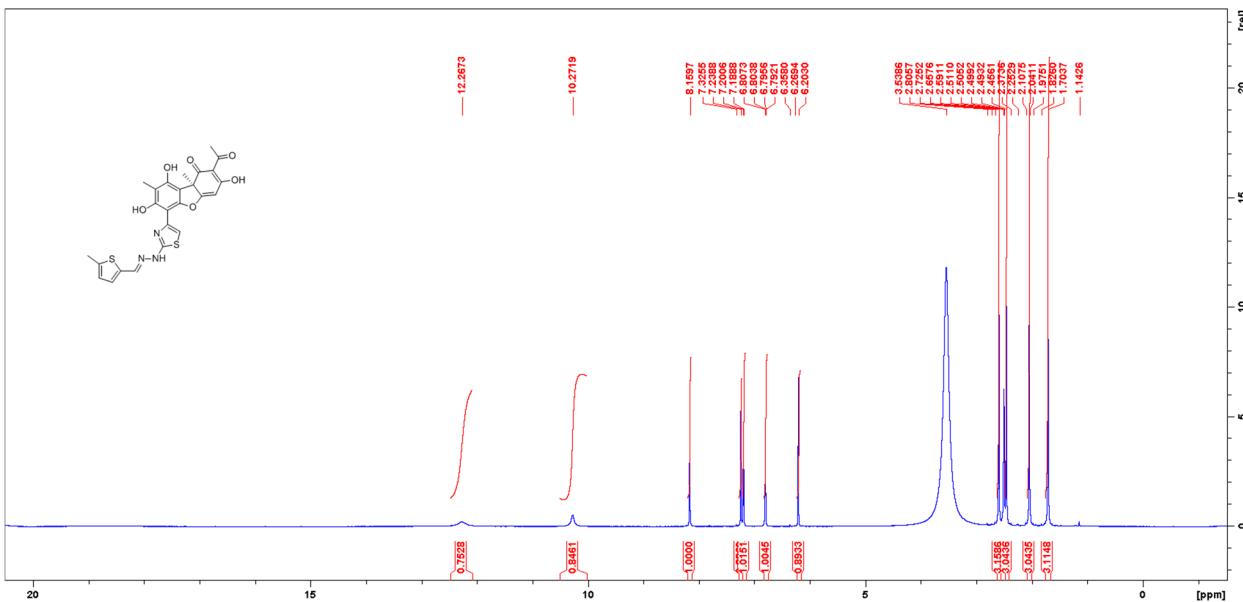
**Figure S9.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR Spectrum of compound (+)-3b



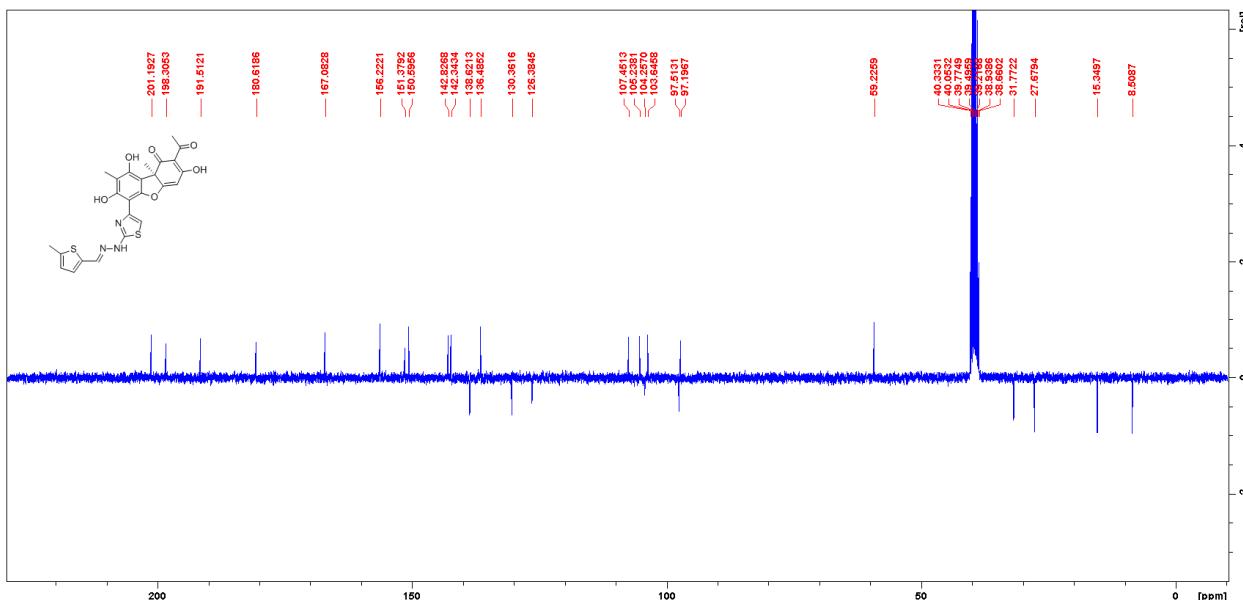
**Figure S10.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectrum of compound (+)-3c



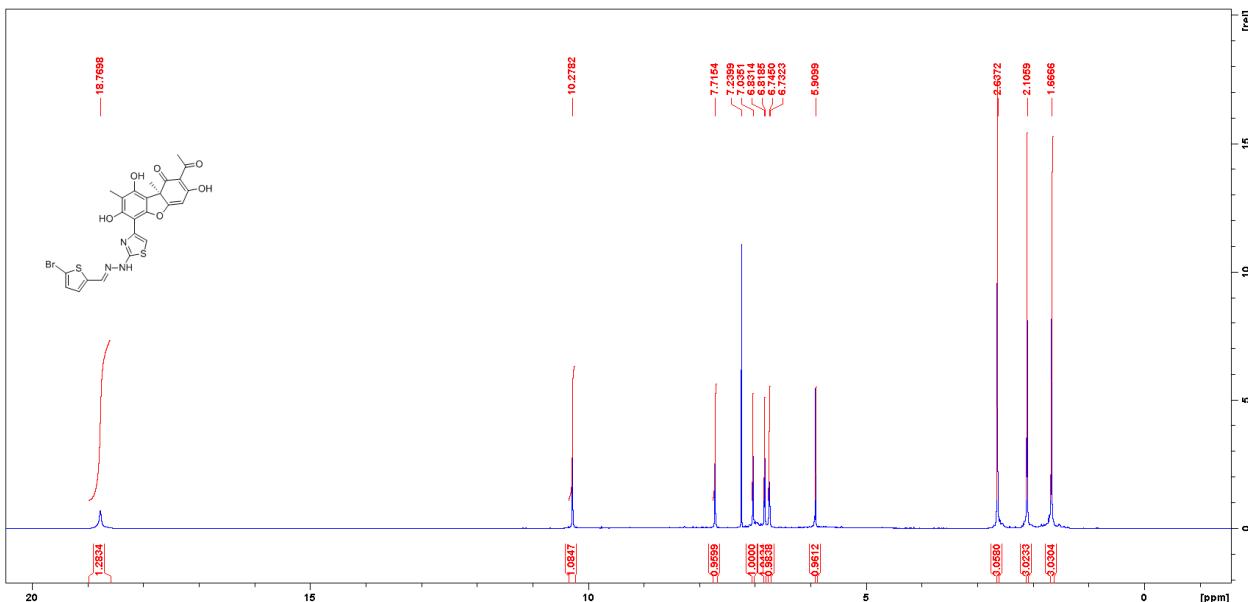
**Figure S11.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR Spectrum of compound (+)-3c



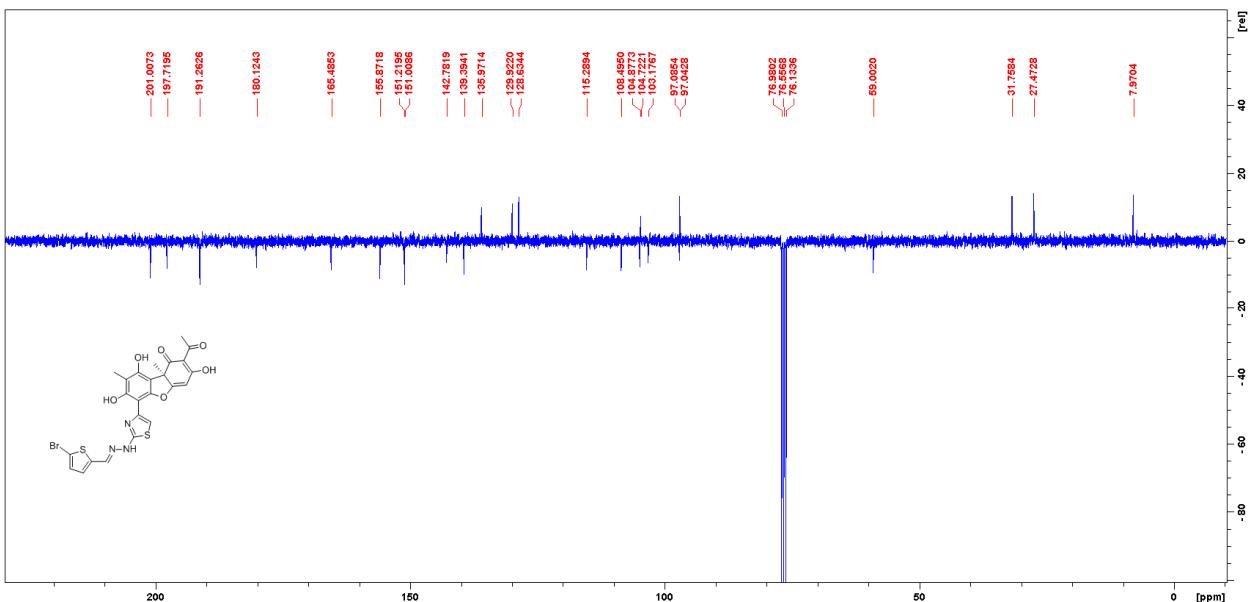
**Figure S12.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR Spectrum of compound (+)-3d



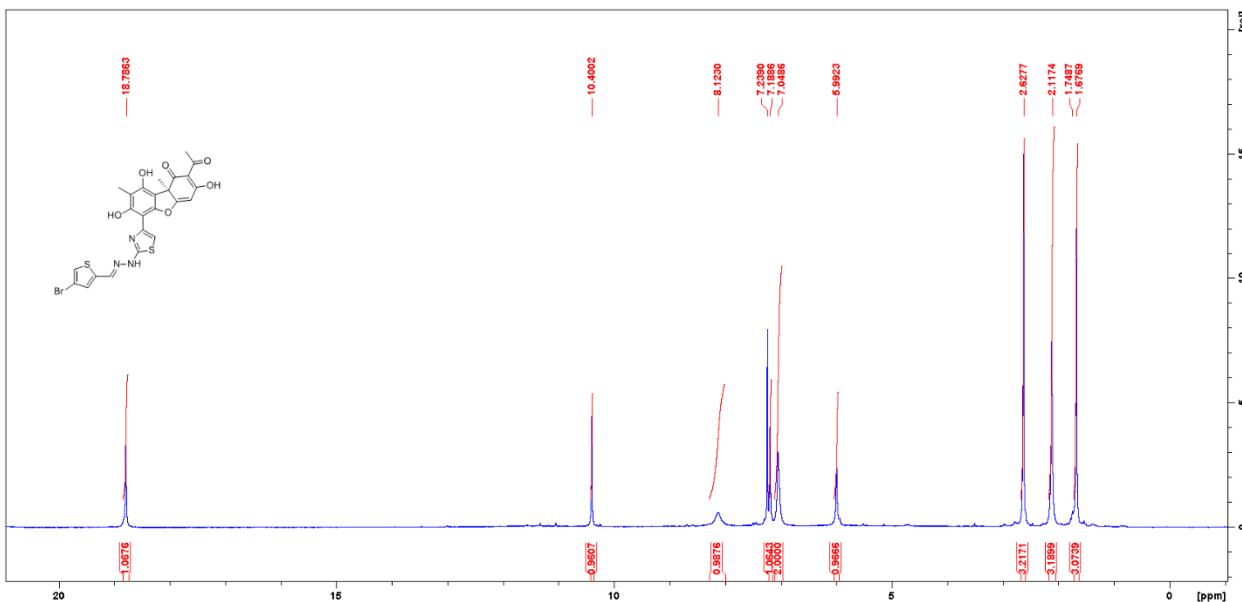
**Figure S13.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR Spectrum of compound (+)-3d



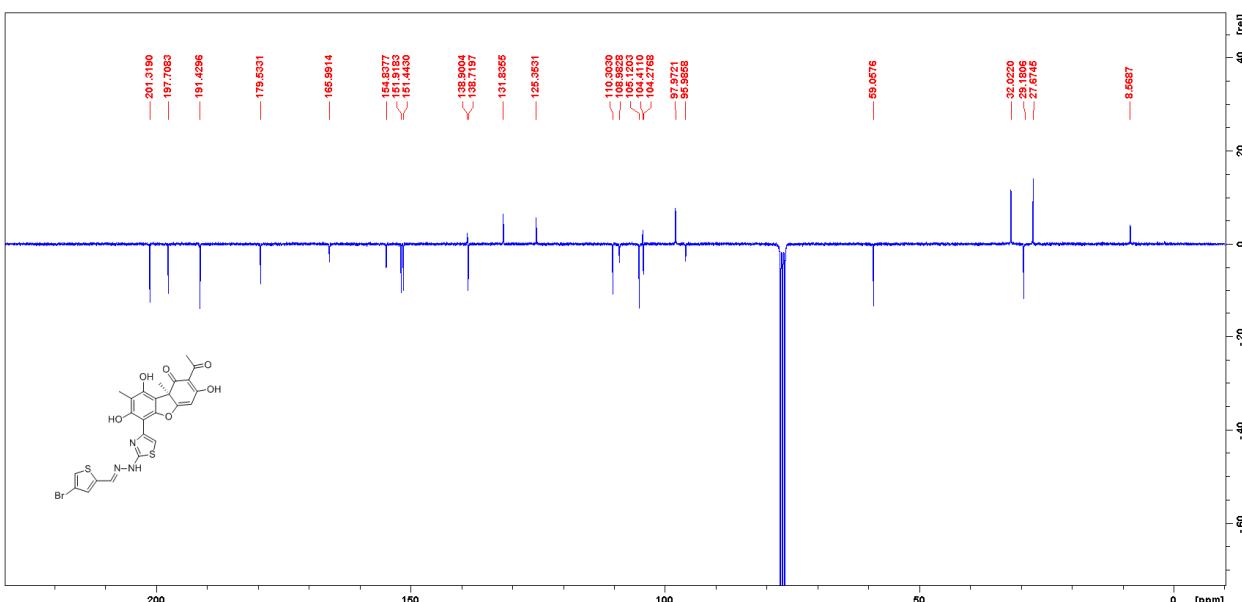
**Figure S14.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR Spectrum of compound (+)-3e



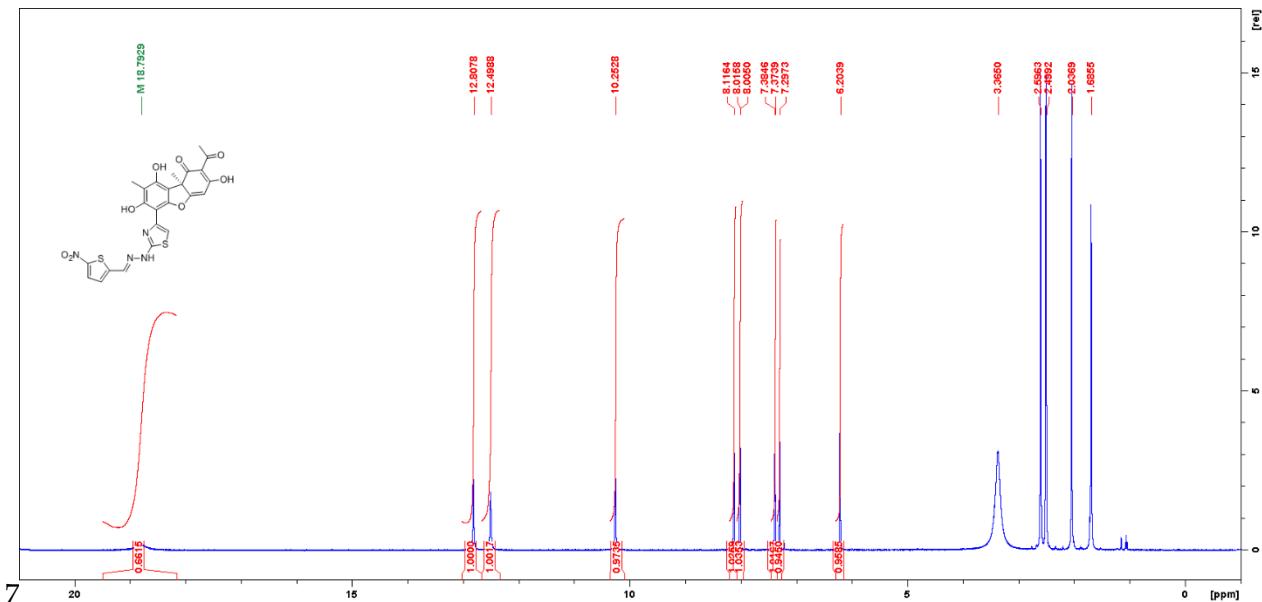
**Figure S15.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR Spectrum of compound (+)-3e



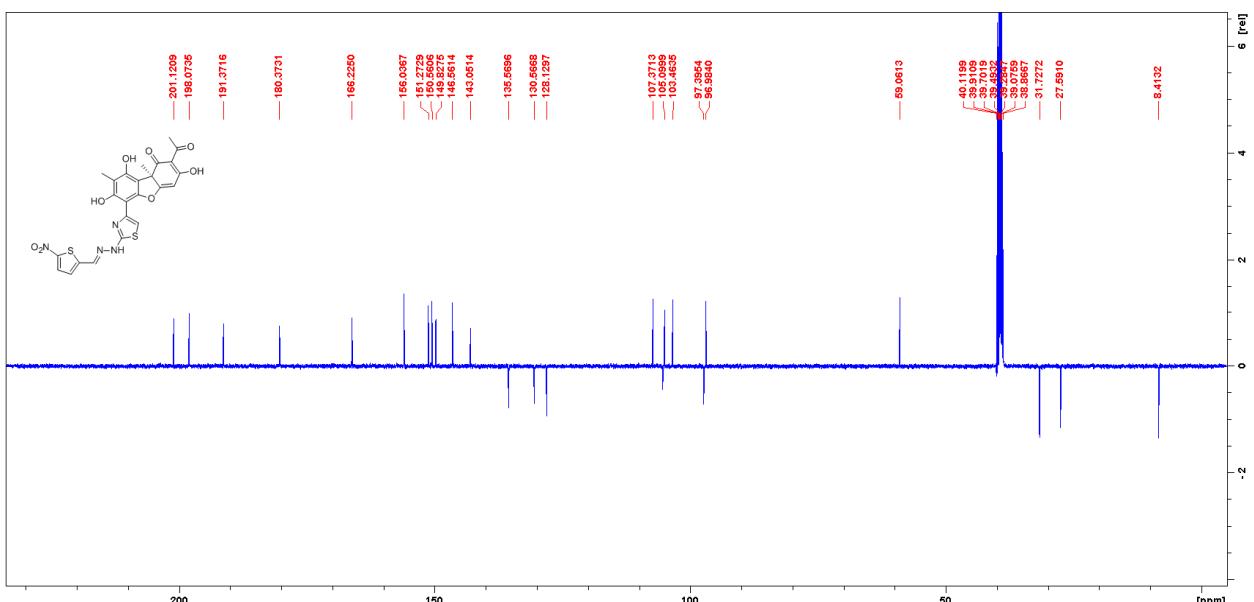
**Figure S16.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR Spectrum of compound (+)-3f



**Figure S17.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR Spectrum of compound (+)-3f



**Figure S18.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR Spectrum of compound (+)-3g



**Figure S19.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR Spectrum of compound (+)-3g