

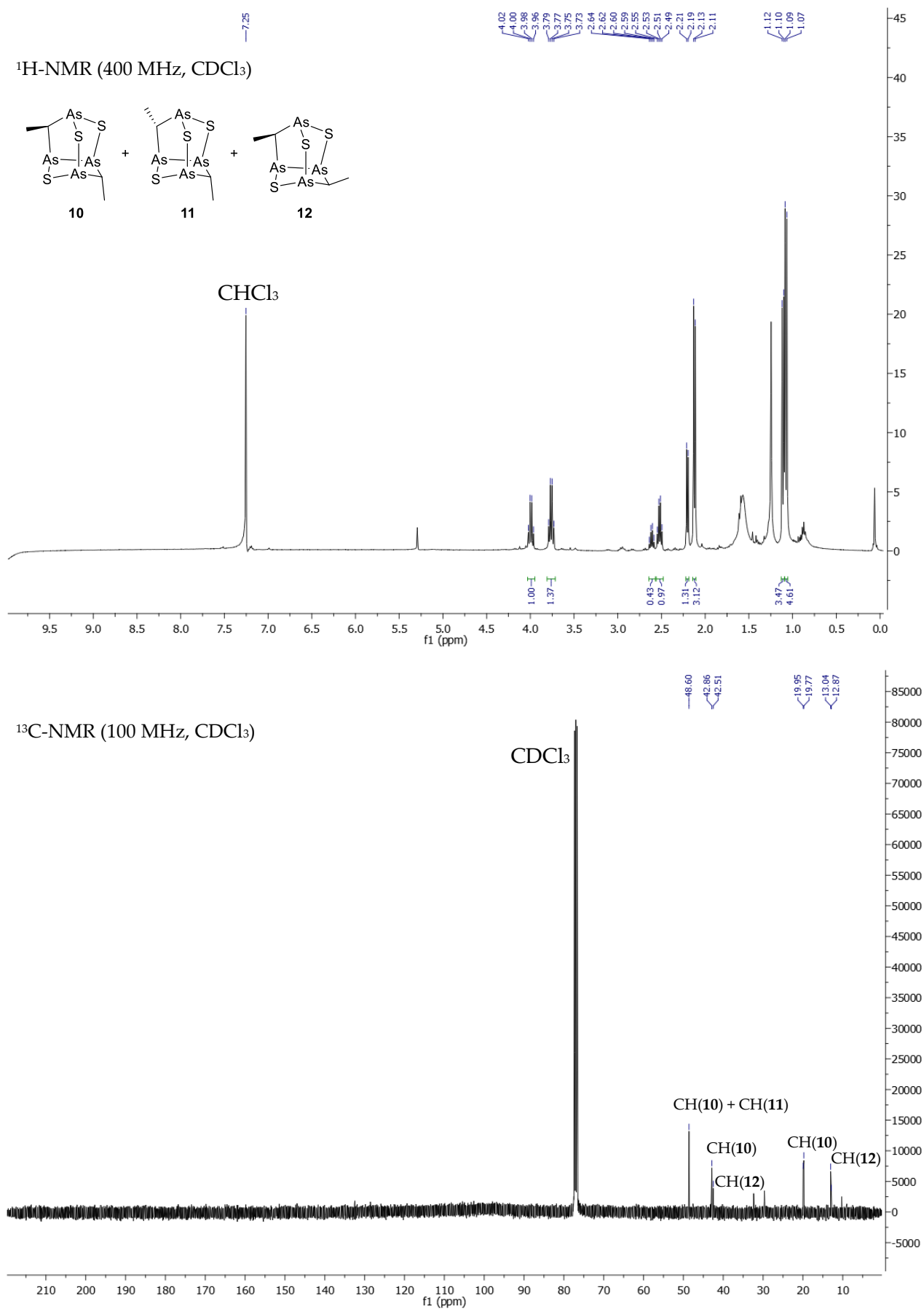
## Supplementary Materials

### Expanding the Chemical Space of Arsenicin A-C Related Polyarsenicals and Evaluation of Some Analogs as Inhibitors of Glioblastoma Stem Cell Growth

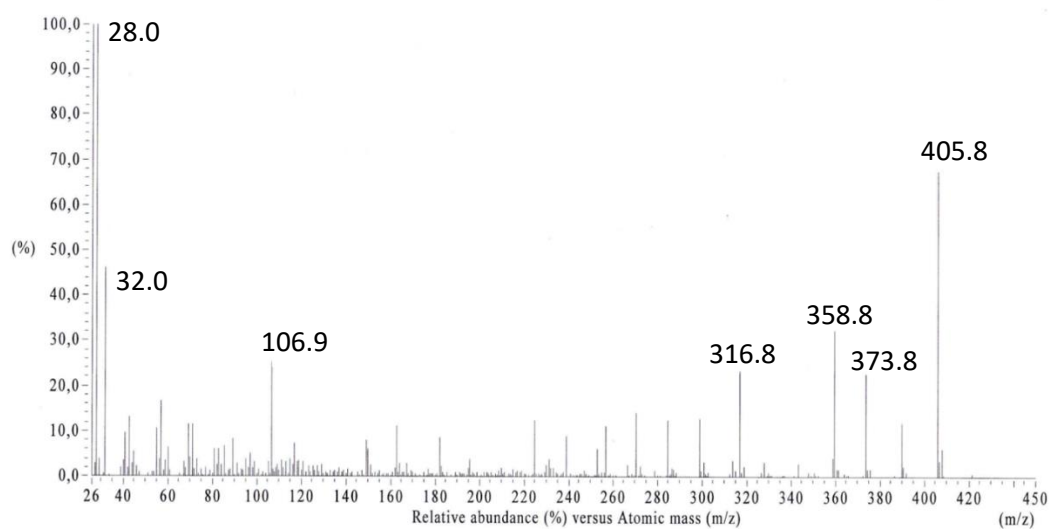
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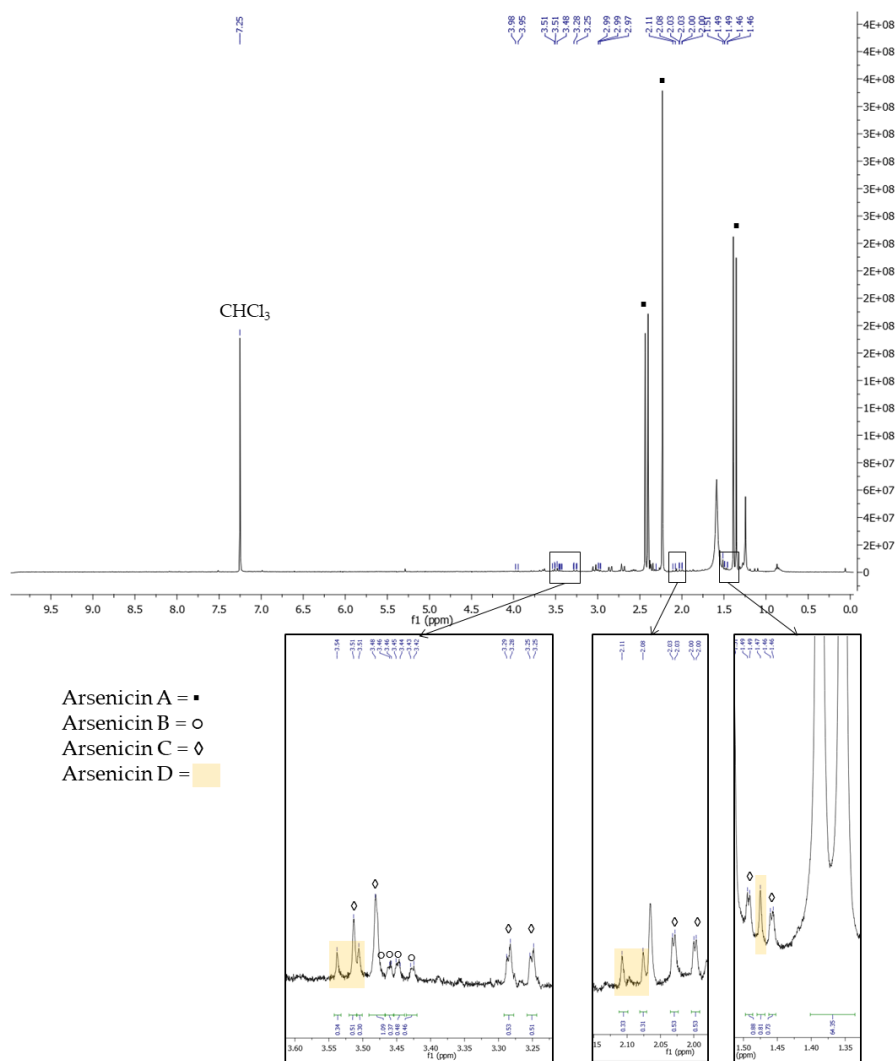
IR frequency (cm <sup>-1</sup> )		Relative Intensity	Assignment
Calculated	Experimental		
<i>Compound 8</i>			
463	456	strong	As-O-As bending
727	723	strong	As-C-As stretching
797	795	very strong	As-O stretching
1067	1043	medium	CH twisting
1326	1375	weak	CH <sub>3</sub> symmetric bending
1413	1451	medium	CH <sub>3</sub> twisting
2832	2837	weak	symmetric CH <sub>2</sub> stretching
2867	2843	weak	symmetric CH <sub>3</sub> stretching
2933	2923	weak	asymmetric CH <sub>3</sub> stretching
2941	2954	medium	asymmetric CH <sub>3</sub> stretching
<i>Compound 9</i>			
458	443	strong	As-O-As bending
464	465	strong	As-O-As bending
731	717	strong	As-C-As stretching
796	789	very strong	As-O stretching
1072	1063	medium	CH twisting
1418	1461	medium	CH <sub>3</sub> twisting
2820	2827	medium	symmetric CH <sub>2</sub> stretching
2857	2852	medium	symmetric CH <sub>2</sub> stretching
2866	2870	medium	symmetric CH <sub>3</sub> stretching
2894	2916	medium	asymmetric CH <sub>2</sub> stretching
2940	2953	medium	asymmetric CH <sub>3</sub> stretching



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$$\text{A) } \Delta E = |E(\text{Arsenicin X}) - n E(\text{S atoms}) + m E(\text{O atoms}) - E(\text{arsenicin A})|$$

$$\text{B) } \Delta E = |E(\text{Arsenicin Y}) - m E(\text{O atoms}) + n E(\text{S atoms}) - E(\text{arsenicin B/C/D})|$$

where X and Y are for B, C or D, n = number of substituted sulfur atoms and m = number of substituted oxygen atoms.

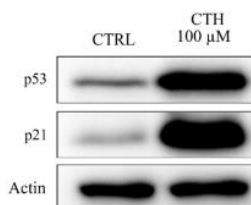
	Equation	Energy (a.u.)	$\Delta E$ (a.u.)	$\Delta E$ (kcal/mol)
Arsenicin A ( <b>1</b> , C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> As <sub>4</sub> O <sub>3</sub> )	A	-9288.336433	0.0	-
Arsenicin B ( <b>2</b> , C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> As <sub>4</sub> S <sub>2</sub> )	A	-9859.187098	0.451145	285.96
Arsenicin C ( <b>3</b> , C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> As <sub>4</sub> OS)	A	-9536.145045	0.35991	227.11
Arsenicin D ( <b>13</b> , C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> As <sub>4</sub> S <sub>2</sub> )	A	-9859.188891	0.449352	285.27
Arsenicin A ( <b>1</b> )		-9288.336433	-	-
3S-Arsenicin A (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> As <sub>4</sub> S <sub>3</sub> )	A	-10257.450842	0.285455	179.13
Arsenicin B ( <b>2</b> )		-9859.187098		
2O-Arsenicin B (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> As <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub> ) <sup>a</sup>	B	-9213.103230	0.182708	114.70
Arsenicin C ( <b>3</b> )		-9536.145045		
2O-Arsenicin C (C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> As <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub> ) <sup>a</sup>	B	-9213.103230	0.091473	57.40
Arsenicin D ( <b>13</b> )		-9859.188891		
2O-Arsenicin D(C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> As <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub> )	B	-9213.095435	0.17312	108.63
Oxygen atom		-74.964766	-	-
Sulfur atom		-398.098054	-	-

<sup>a</sup> the same structure

**Table S3.** Selectivity Index (SI) values of alkyl polyarsenicals **7-9** and ATO, given by the ratio between the GI<sub>50</sub> values of non-tumor cell lines and GSC lines, respectively.

	ATO				7				8				9			
	ARPE-19	MCF10A	hTERT-HPNE	Hs68	ARPE-19	MCF10A	hTERT-HPNE	Hs68	ARPE-19	MCF10A	hTERT-HPNE	Hs68	ARPE-19	MCF10A	hTERT-HPNE	Hs68
COMI	3.1	1.6	3.1	nd <sup>a</sup>	14.6	16.9	20.8	51.9	17.2	17.8	29.6	124.0	13.5	13.3	43.8	107.3
VIPI	0.7	0.3	0.7	nd <sup>a</sup>	1.8	2.1	2.6	6.5	3.9	4.0	6.7	28.2	3.0	2.9	9.7	23.8
GB6	1.0	0.5	1.0	nd <sup>a</sup>	2.0	2.3	2.8	7.1	2.5	2.6	4.4	18.2	1.6	1.6	5.1	12.6
GB7	2.1	1.1	2.1	nd <sup>a</sup>	24.3	28.2	34.7	86.4	17.2	17.8	29.6	124.0	10.8	10.6	35.0	85.8
G144	1.3	0.7	1.3	nd <sup>a</sup>	6.6	7.7	9.5	23.6	9.6	9.9	16.4	68.9	6.8	6.6	21.9	53.6
G166	0.7	0.4	0.7	nd <sup>a</sup>	1.5	1.7	2.1	5.3	2.8	2.9	4.8	20.0	2.3	2.2	7.3	17.9
GB8	0.8	0.4	0.8	nd <sup>a</sup>	1.6	1.9	2.3	5.8	2.6	2.7	4.5	18.8	1.9	1.9	6.3	15.3
GSC#1	1.4	0.7	1.4	nd <sup>a</sup>	3.3	3.8	4.7	11.8	4.5	4.7	7.8	32.6	3.0	2.9	9.7	23.8
GSC#151	0.7	0.4	0.7	nd <sup>a</sup>	3.5	4.1	5.0	12.5	7.2	7.4	12.3	51.7	3.2	3.1	10.3	25.2

<sup>a</sup> nd: not determined. SI was not calculated since the GI<sub>50</sub> value of ATO on Hs68 was greater than the highest concentration tested (>100  $\mu$ M).

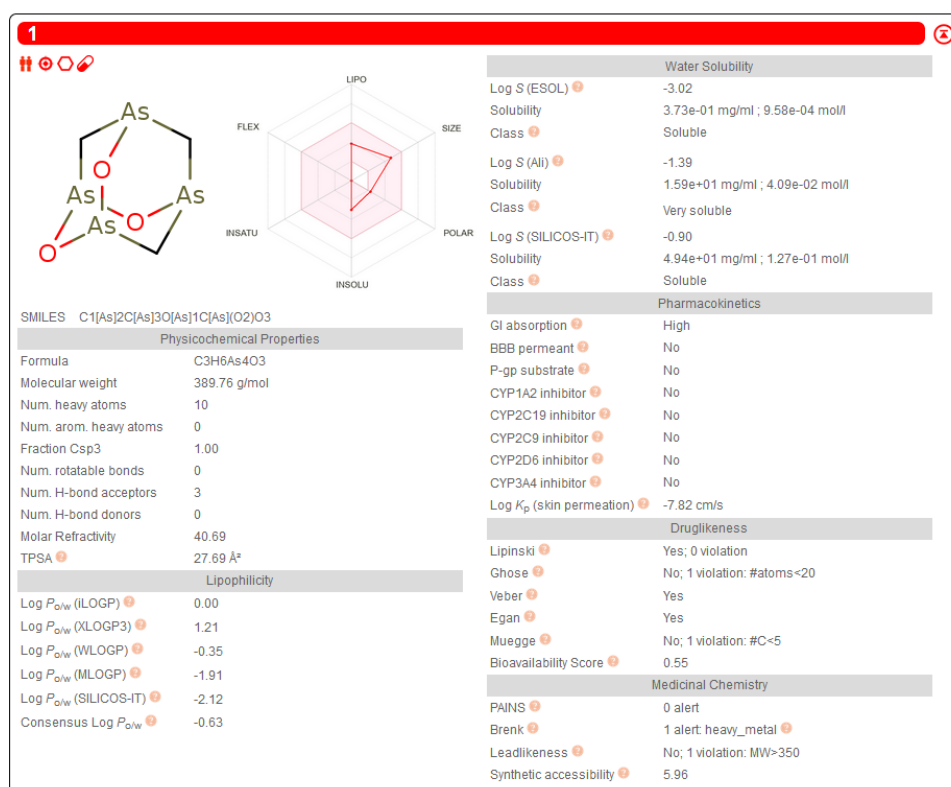


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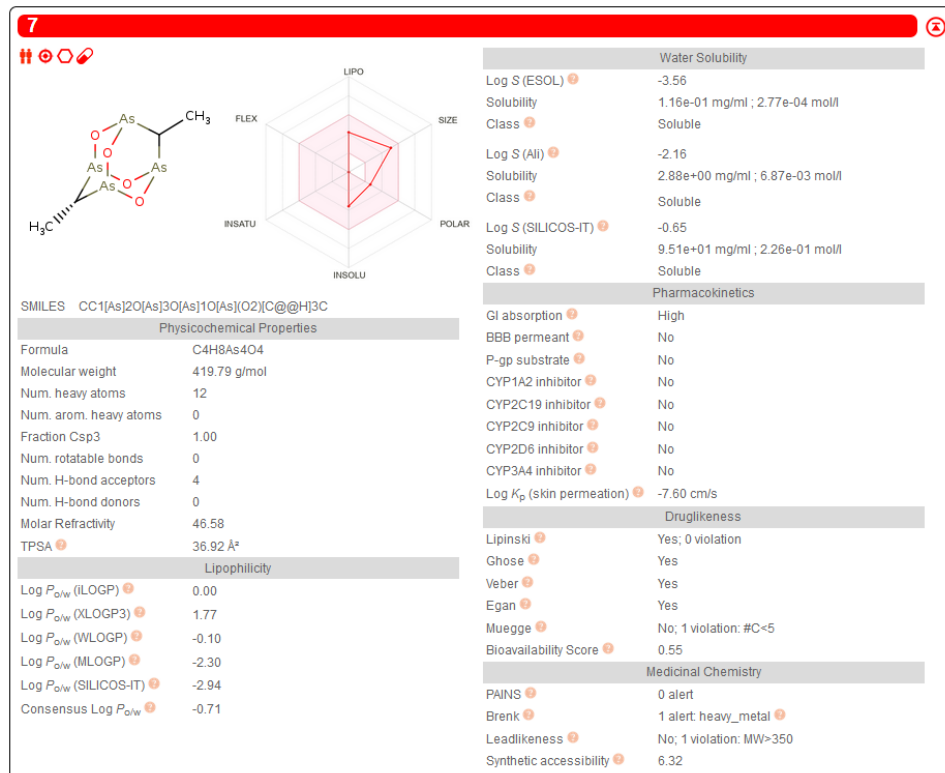
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	ATO	7	8	9
Normoxia	0.96 $\pm$ 0.06	0.15 $\pm$ 0.02	0.05 $\pm$ 0.07	0.040 $\pm$ 0.004
Hypoxia 48 h	0.98 $\pm$ 0.06	0.15 $\pm$ 0.05	0.07 $\pm$ 0.02	0.06 $\pm$ 0.02
Hypoxia 1 week	1.04 $\pm$ 0.07	0.14 $\pm$ 0.07	0.08 $\pm$ 0.04	0.06 $\pm$ 0.02

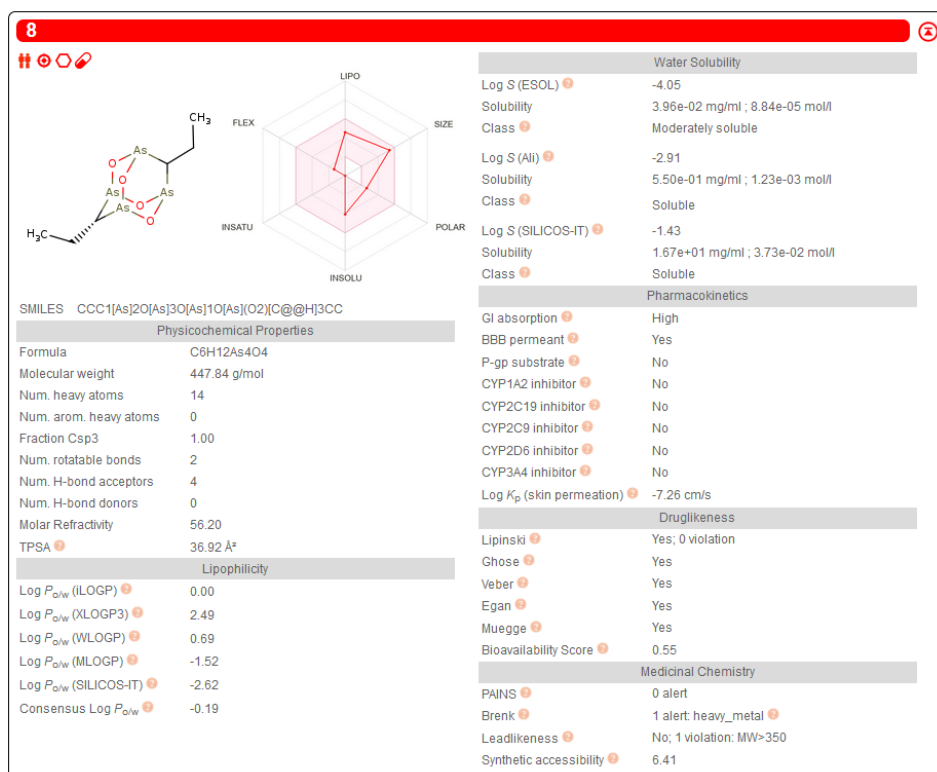
<sup>a</sup> GI<sub>50</sub> values were calculated upon treating COMI cells with different compound concentrations for 48 h. The GI<sub>50</sub> values were calculated from n = 6 biological replicates, n = 3 technical replicates each, mean  $\pm$  SEM.



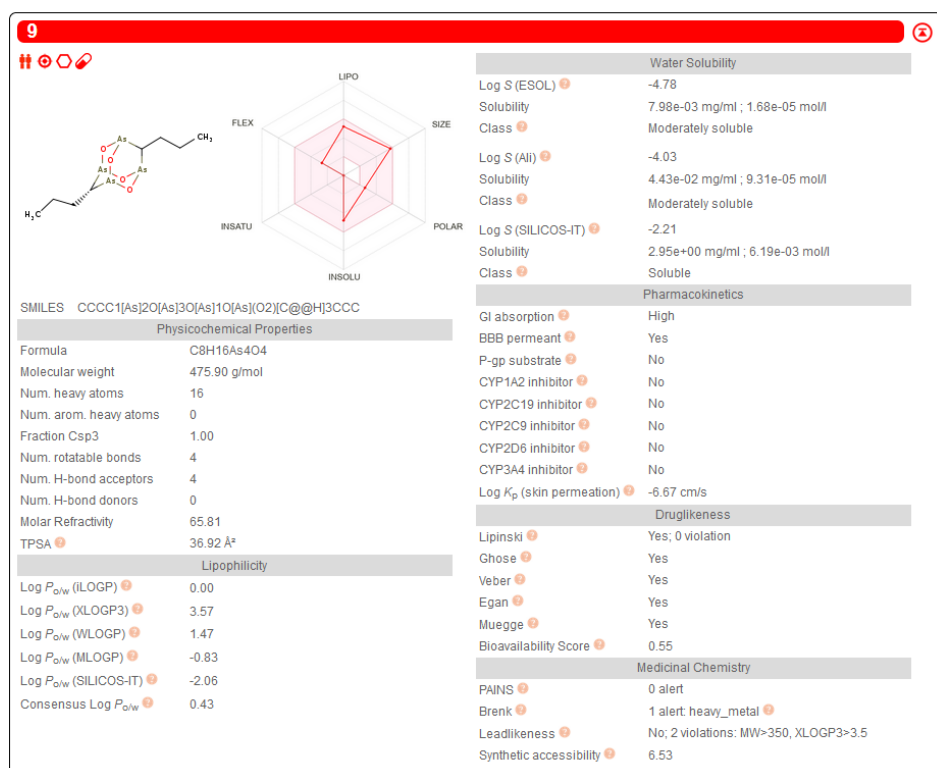
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**Figure S6.** Predicted physical-chemical properties and bioavailability radar for compounds 7 evaluated by using Swiss-ADME software (<http://www.swissadme.ch/> accessed on 9 January 2023).

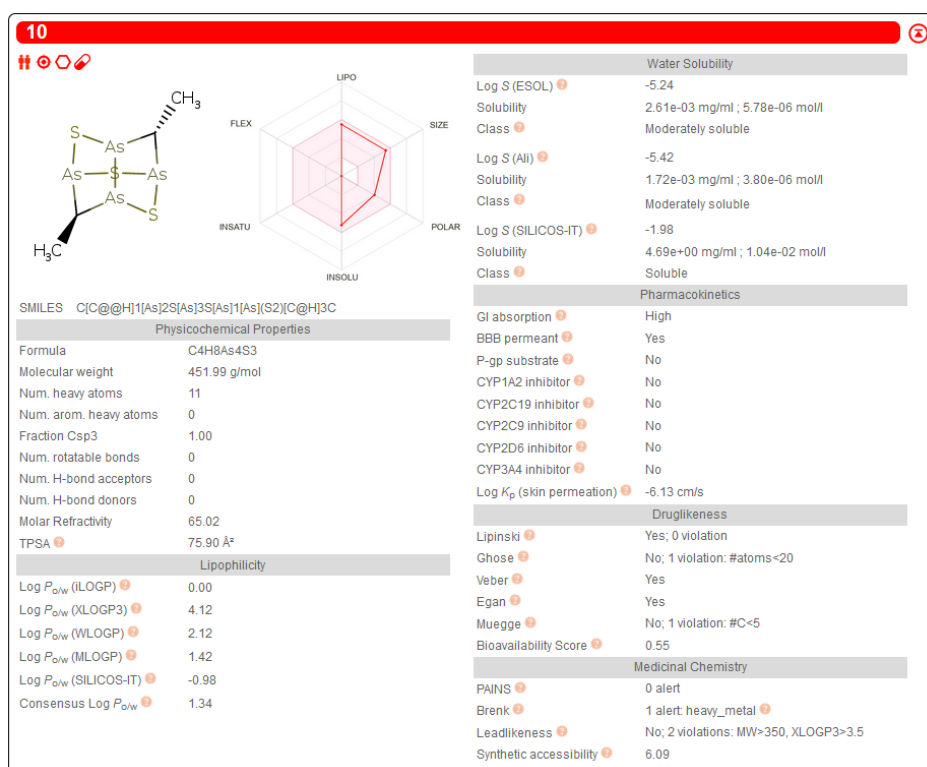


**Figure S7.** Predicted physical-chemical properties and bioavailability radar for compounds **8** evaluated by using Swiss-ADME software (<http://www.swissadme.ch/> accessed on 9 January 2023).

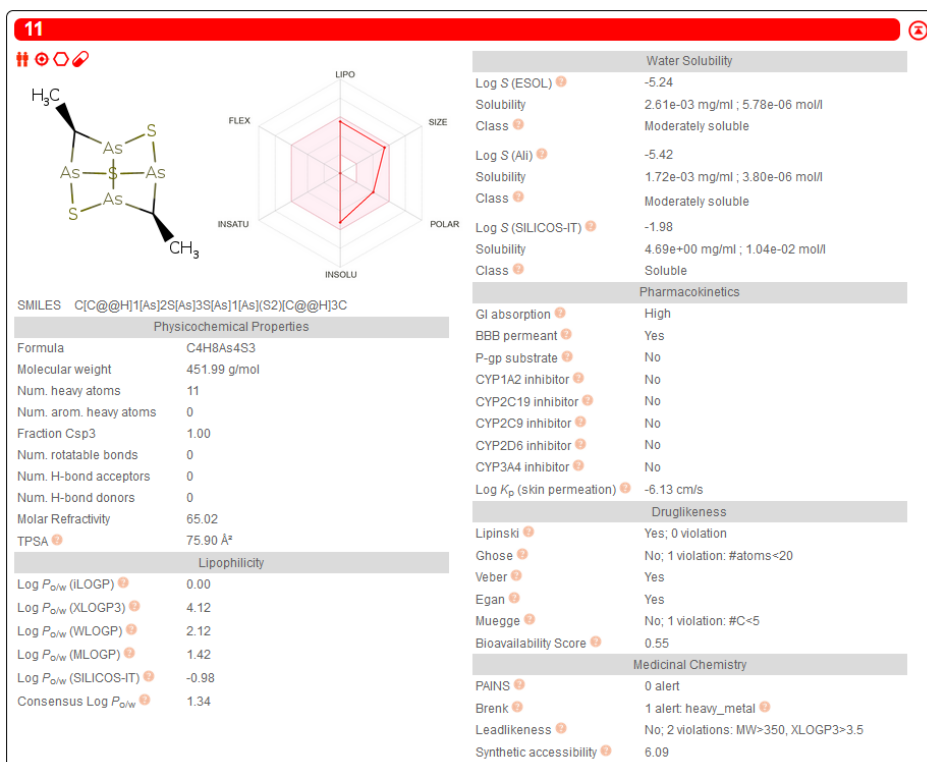


**Figure S8.** Predicted physical-chemical properties and bioavailability radar for compounds **9** evaluated by using Swiss-ADME software (<http://www.swissadme.ch/> accessed on 9 January 2023).

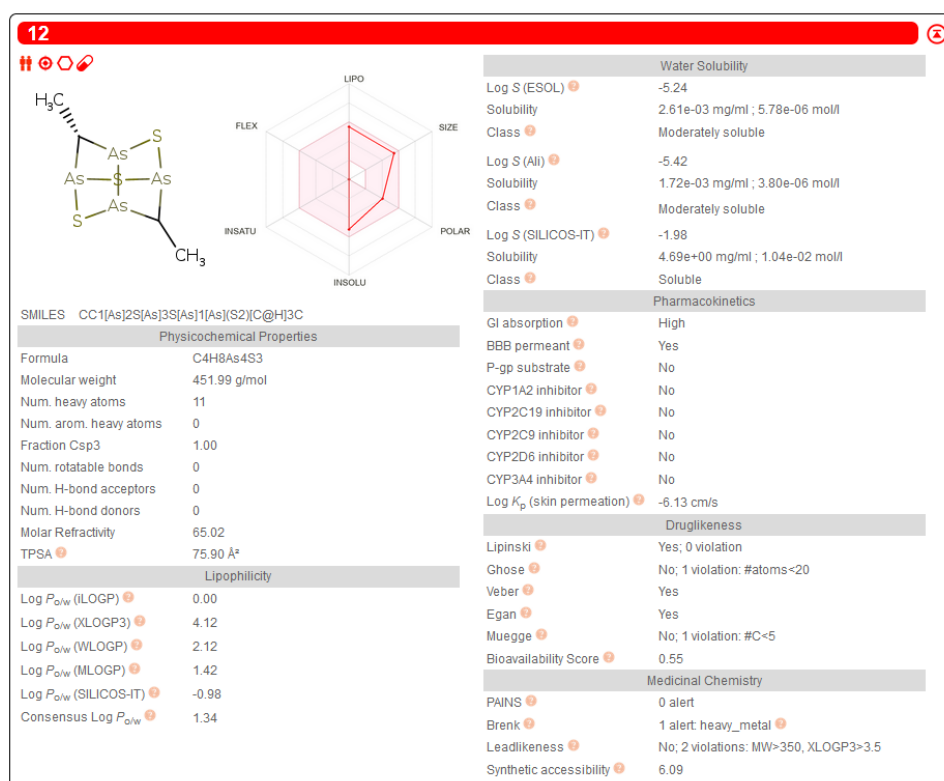




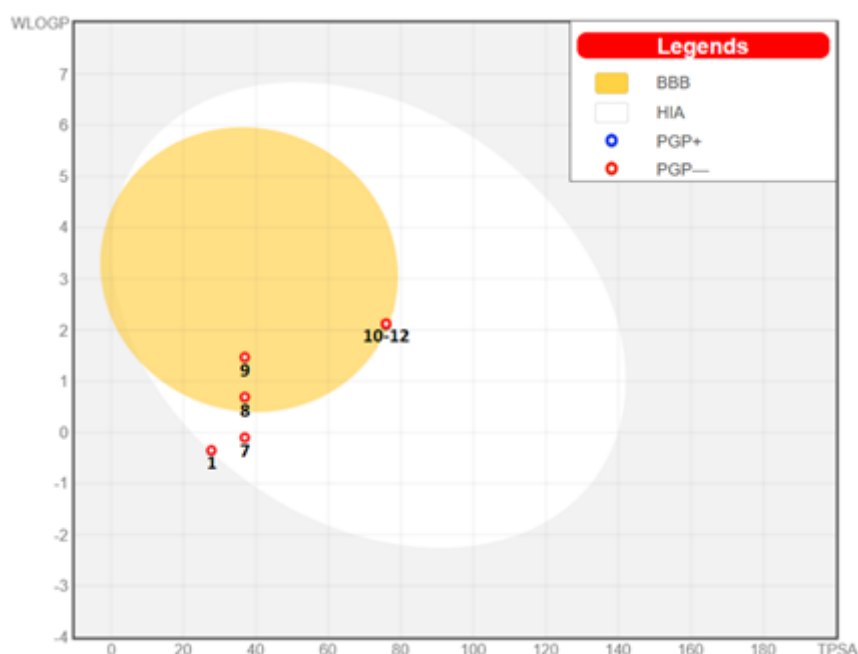
**Figure S9.** Predicted physical-chemical properties and bioavailability radar for compounds **10** evaluated by using Swiss-ADME software (<http://www.swissadme.ch/> accessed on 9 January 2023).



**Figure S10.** Predicted physical-chemical properties and bioavailability radar for compounds **11** evaluated by using Swiss-ADME software (<http://www.swissadme.ch/> accessed on 9 January 2023).



**Figure S11.** Predicted physical-chemical properties and bioavailability radar for compounds **12** evaluated by using Swiss-ADME software (<http://www.swissadme.ch/> accessed on 9 January 2023).



**Figure S12.** WLOGP-versus-TPSA in Brain Or IntestinaL EstimateD permeation method (BOILED)-Egg visualization for alkyl adamantane **7-9** and dimethyl As-S compounds **10-12** in comparison with arsenicin A (**1**) evaluated by using Swiss-ADME software (<http://www.swissadme.ch/> accessed on 9 January 2023).

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Web tool	Properties	Arsenicin A	Compound 7	Compound 8	Compound 9
SwissADME	TPSA (Å <sup>2</sup> )	27.69	36.92	36.92	36.92
	WLogP	-0.35	-0.10	0.69	1.47
	Consensus Log P	-0.63	-0.71	-0.19	0.43
	BBB permeant	No	No	Yes	Yes
Molinspiration	TPSA (Å <sup>2</sup> )	27.70	36.94	36.94	36.94
	miLog P	-3.03	-2.36	-1.35	-0.23
	BBB	-	-	-	-
Molsoft L.L.C.	MolPSA (Å <sup>2</sup> )	44.01	42.38	42.38	42.38
	MolLog P	-0.34	0.06	1.03	1.98
	BBB score <sup>a</sup>	3.77	4.03	4.12	4.19

<sup>a</sup> BBB Score: 6-High, 0-Low

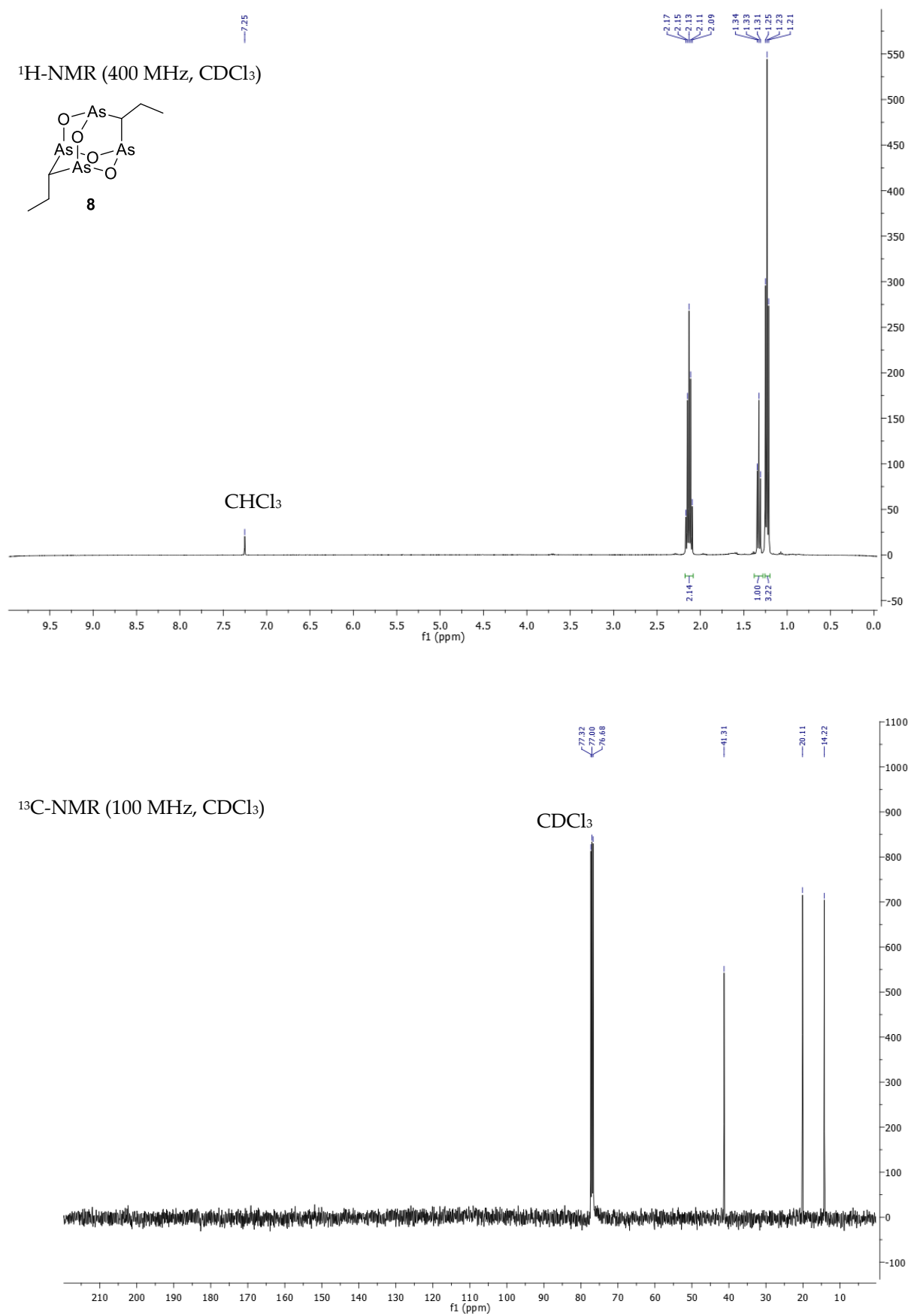


Figure S13. <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra of compound 8.

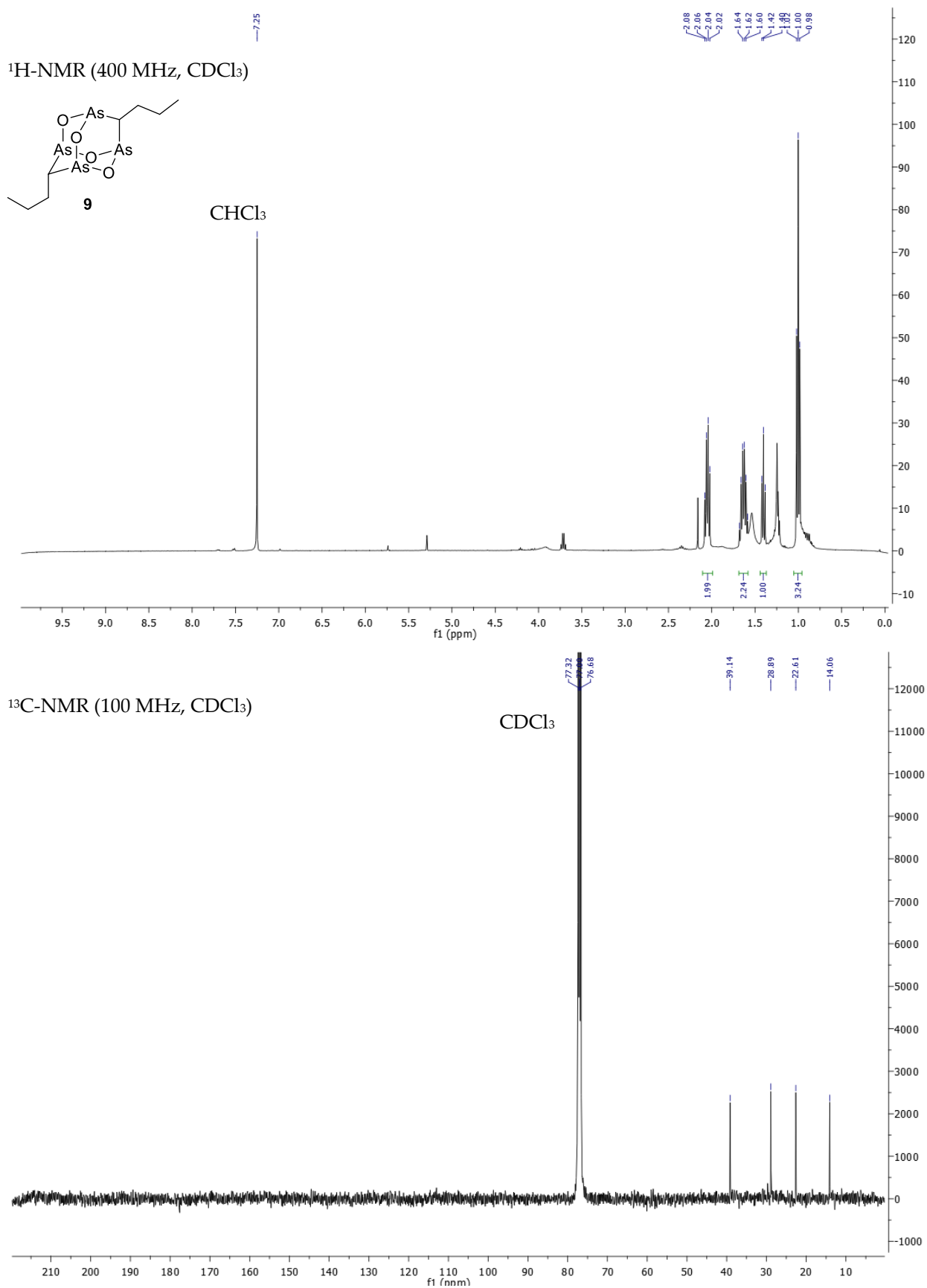


Figure S14. <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra of compound **9**.

**Table S6.** Seeding numbers (expressed in cells/well) used for testing the alkyl polyarsenicals 7-9 and ATO in 384-well plates.

<b>Cell Line</b>	<b>Seeding Number (cells/well)</b>
COMI	1000
VIPI	1000
GB6	3000
GB7	3000
G144	2000
G166	1000
GB8	1500
GSC#1	1500
GSC#151	1500
ARPE-19	1500
MCF10A	1000
hTERT-HPNE	1500
Hs68	1500