## **Supporting Information**

## A 6'-Fluoro-Substituent in Bicyclo-DNA Increases Affinity to Complementary RNA

## **Presumably by CF---HC Pseudohydrogen Bonds**

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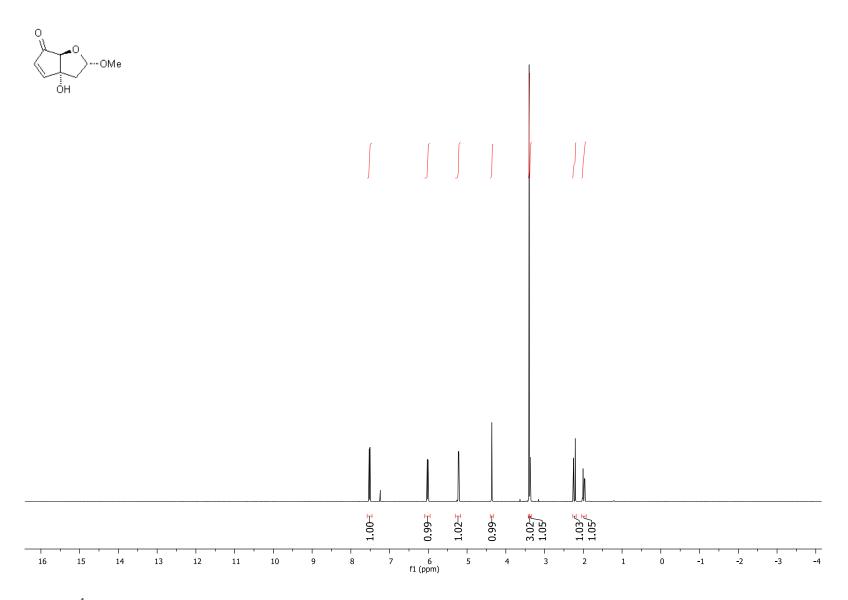


Figure S1: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCI<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) spectrum of 2

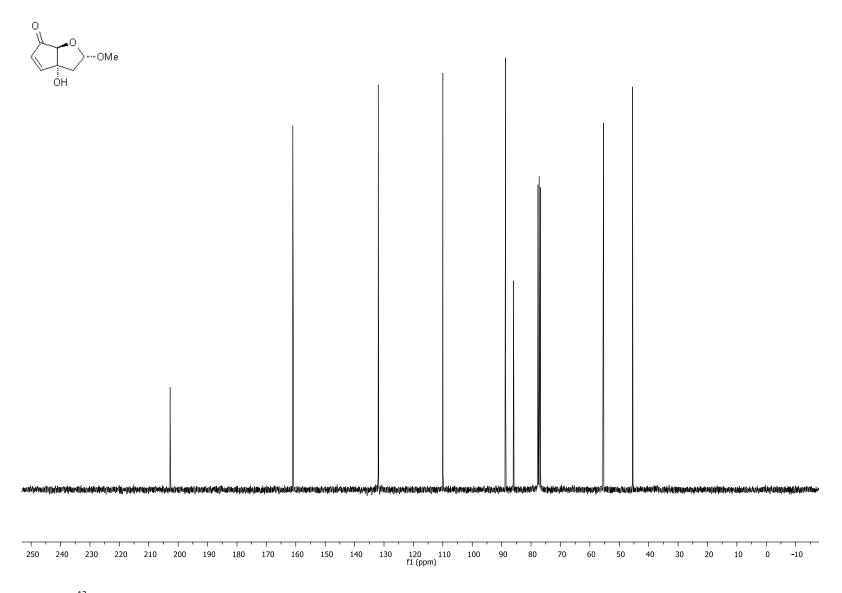


Figure S2: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) spectrum of 2

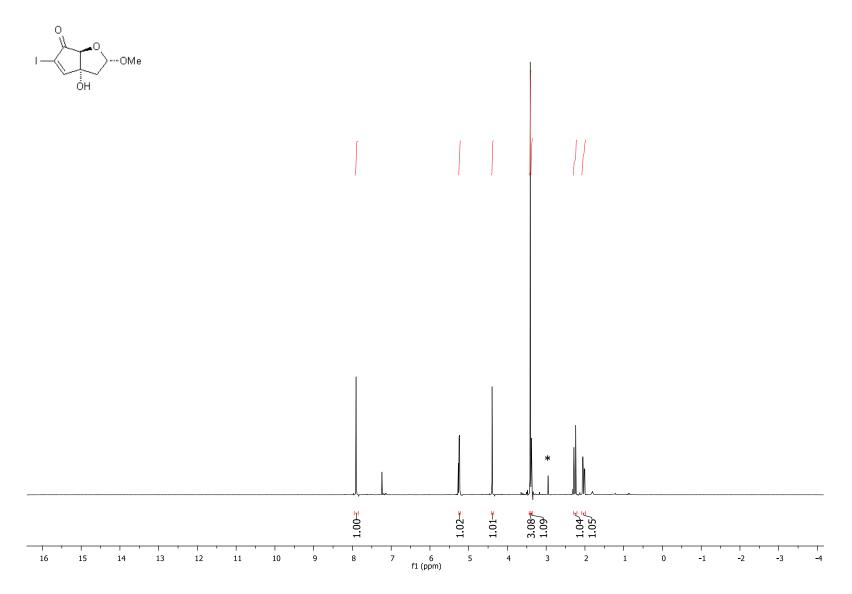
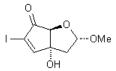


Figure S3: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) spectrum of **3** (\* Unknown impurity)



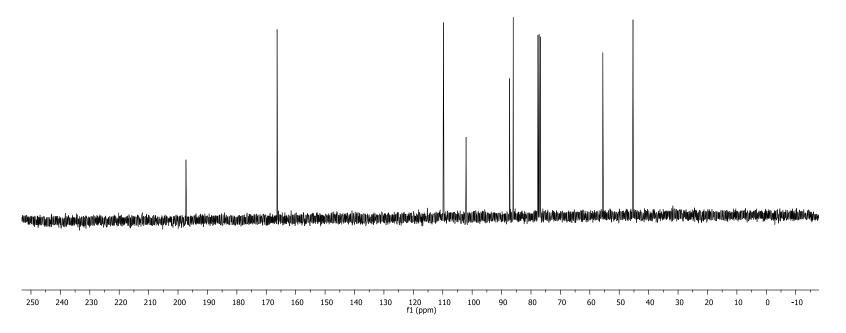


Figure S4: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) spectrum of 3

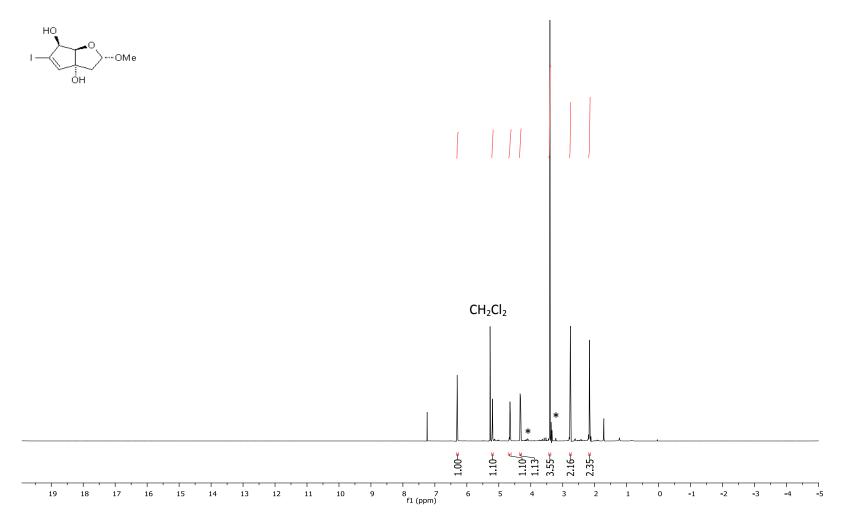
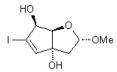


Figure S5: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) spectrum of **4** (\* Unknown impurities)



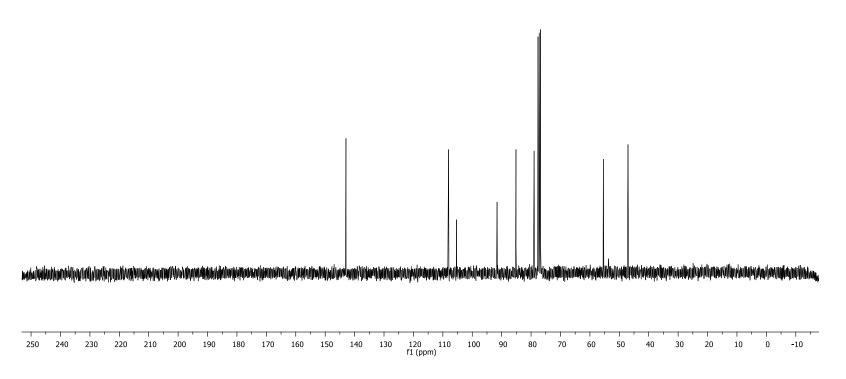


Figure S6: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) spectrum of **4** 

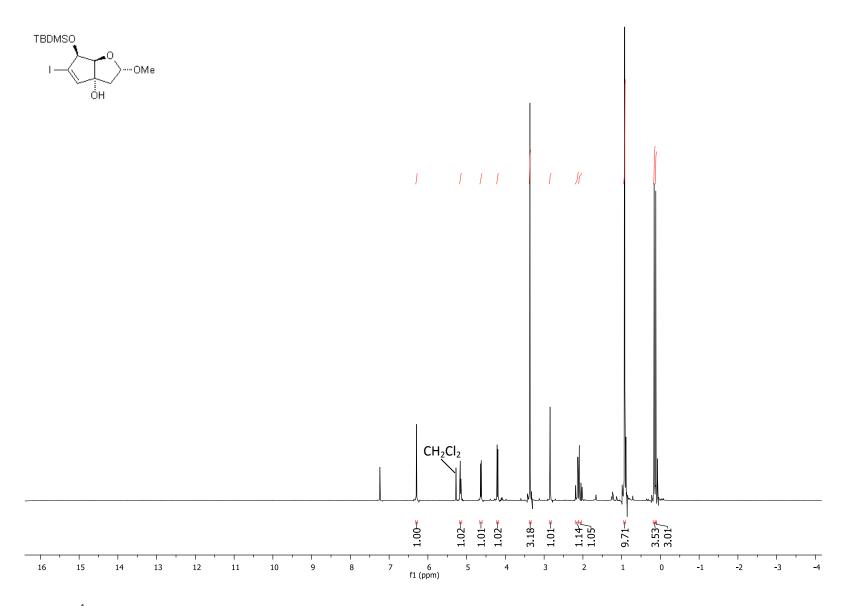


Figure S7: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCI<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) spectrum of 5

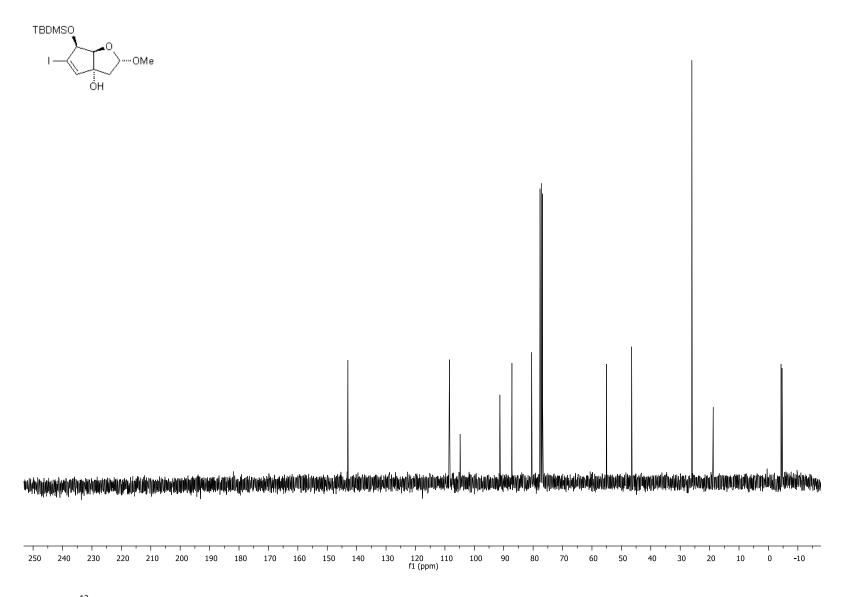


Figure S8: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) spectrum of **5** 

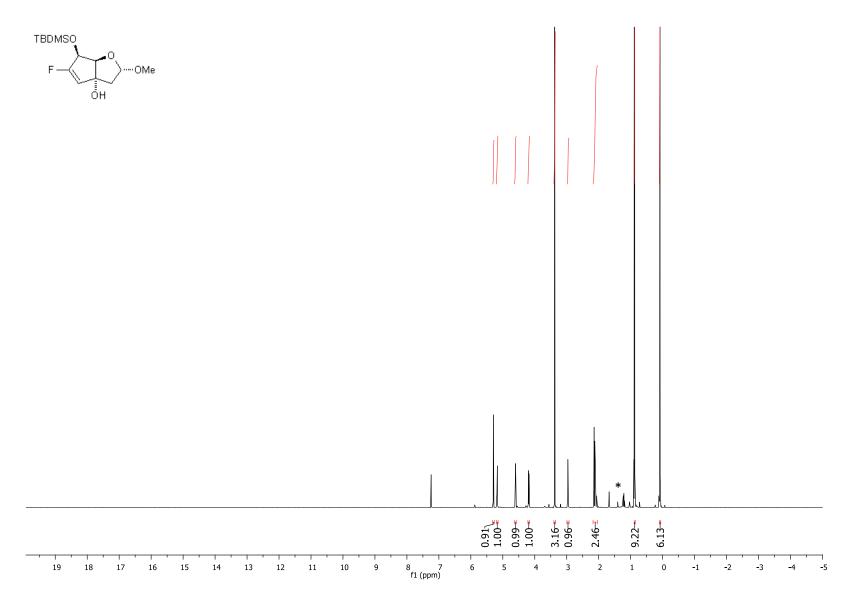


Figure S9: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) spectrum of **6** (\* unknown impurities).

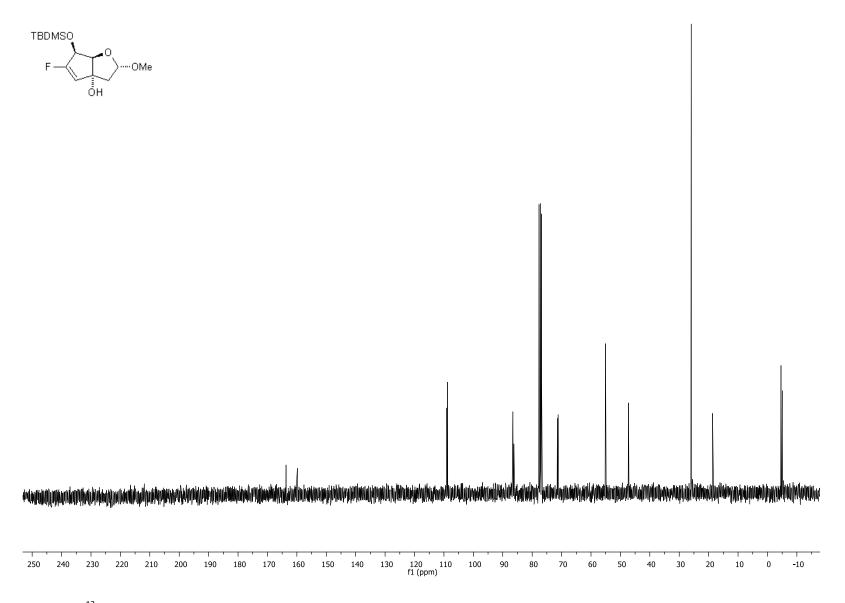
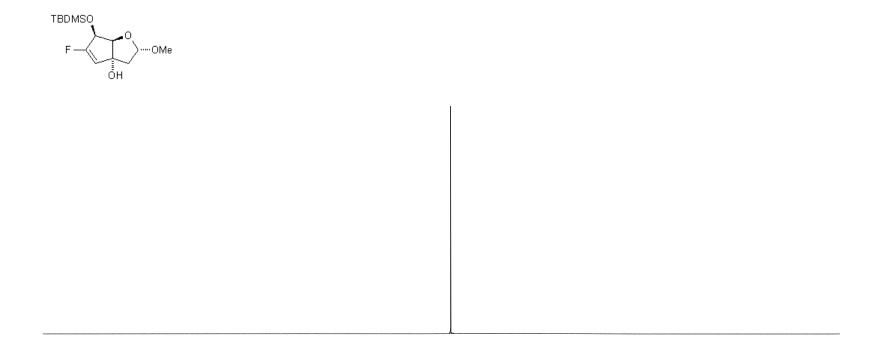


Figure \$10: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) spectrum of 6



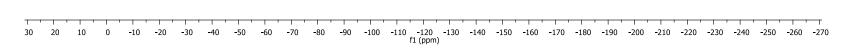


Figure S11: <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 376 MHz) spectrum of **6** 

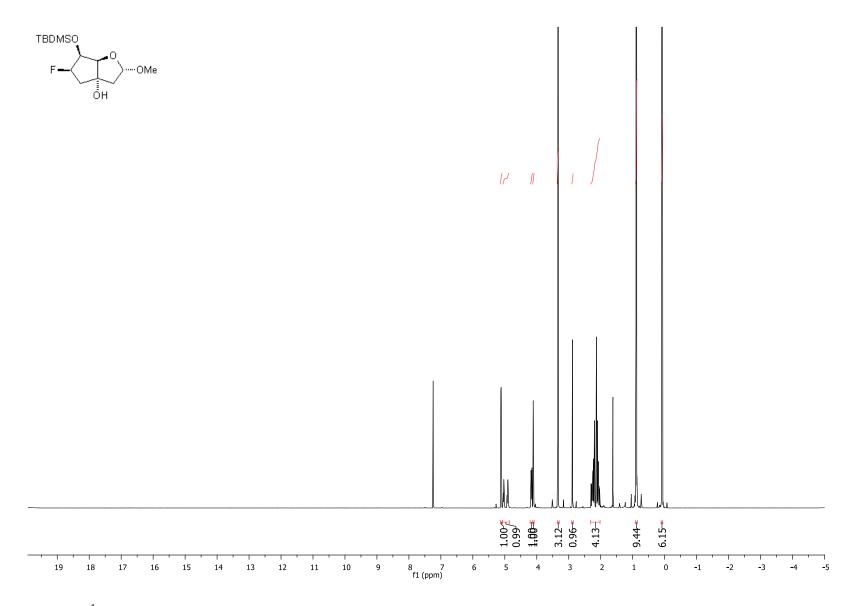


Figure S12: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) spectrum of **7** 

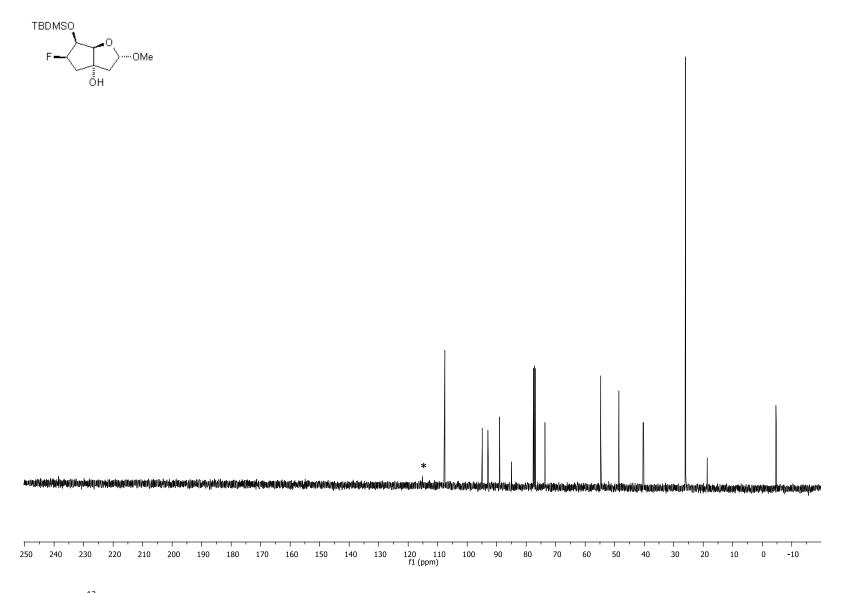


Figure \$13: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 101 MHz) spectrum of **7** (\* unknown impurity)

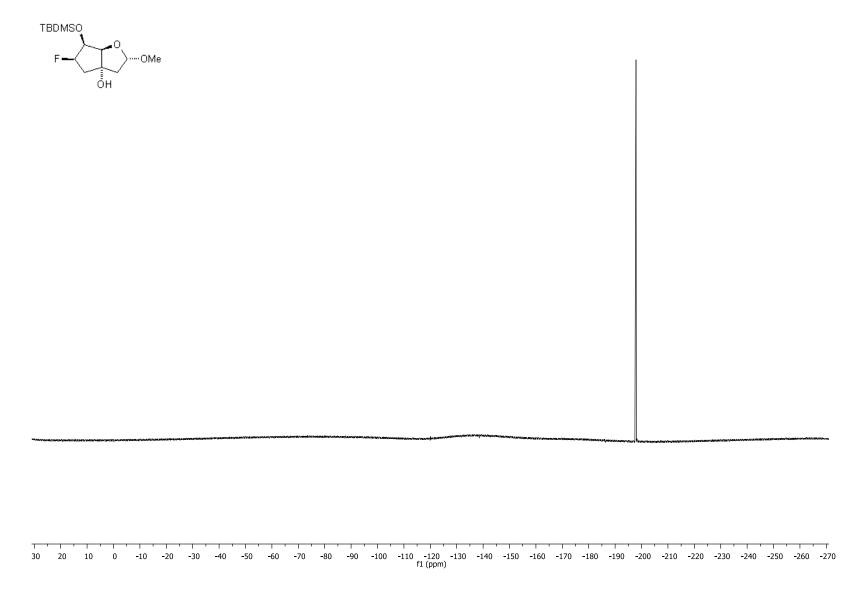


Figure S14: <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 376 MHz) spectrum of **7** 

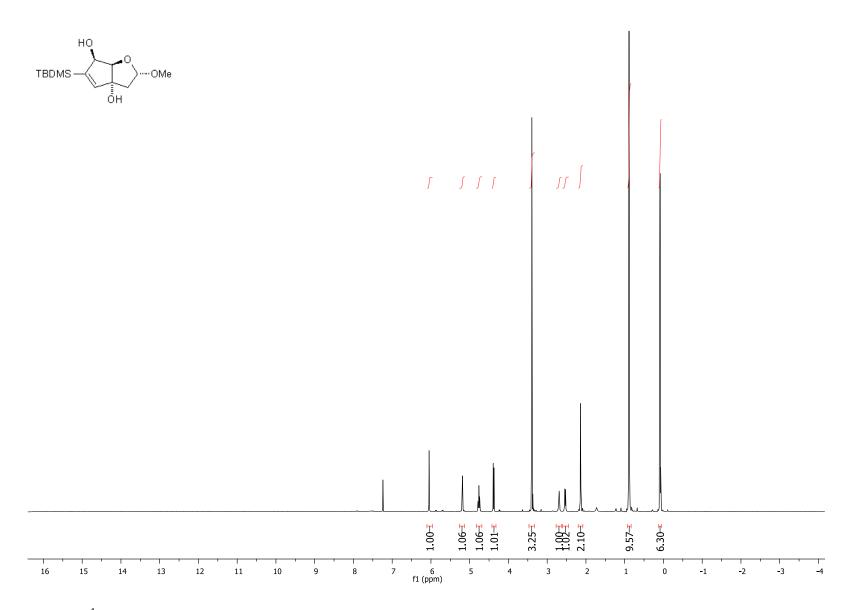


Figure S15: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) spectrum of 8

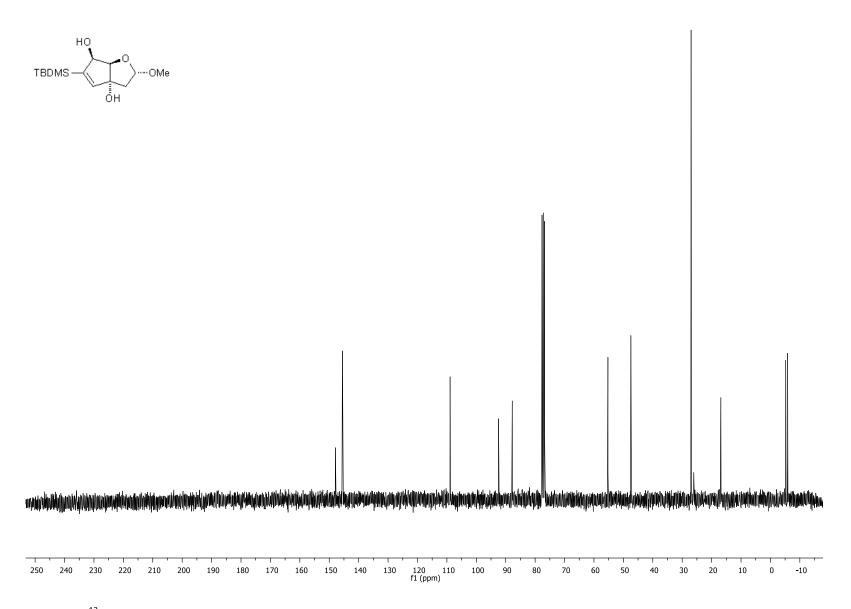


Figure \$16: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) spectrum of 8

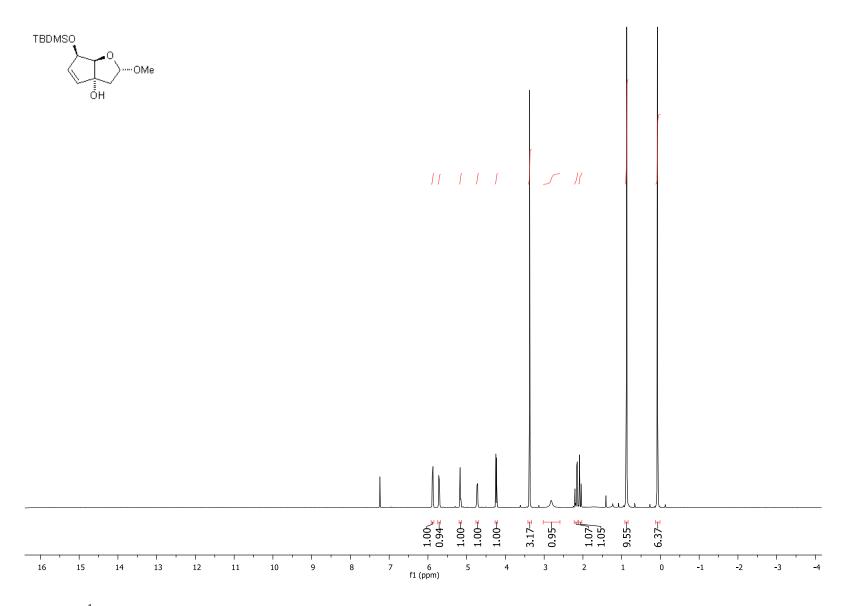


Figure S17: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) spectrum of 9

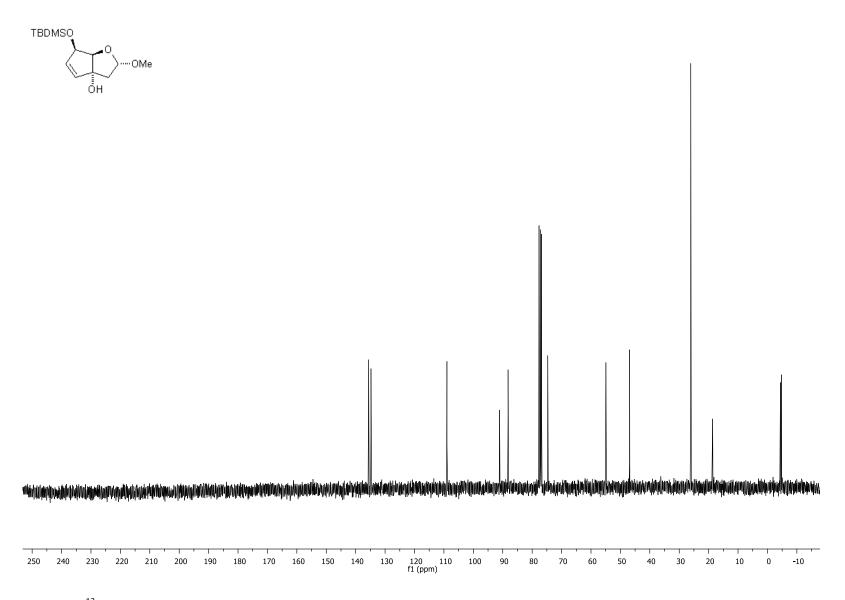


Figure S18: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) spectrum of 9

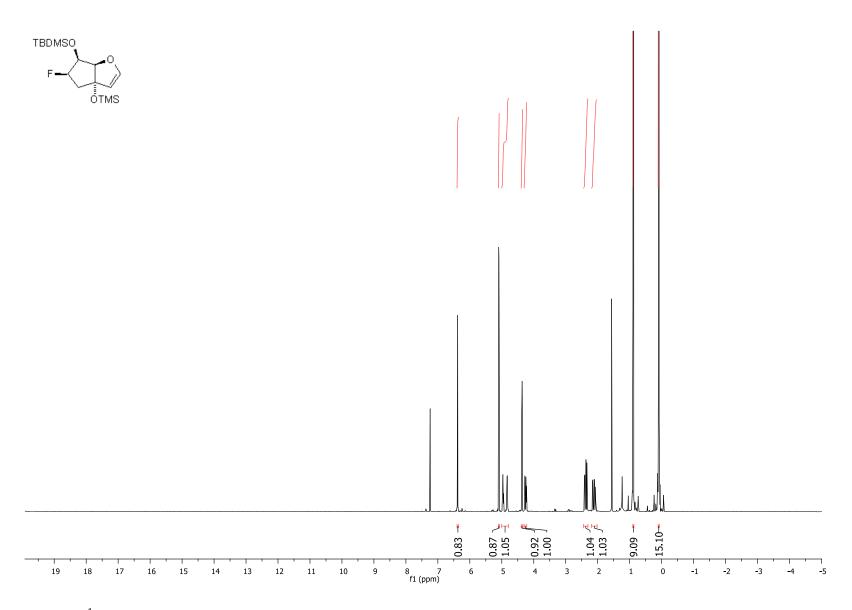


Figure S19: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) spectrum of **10** 

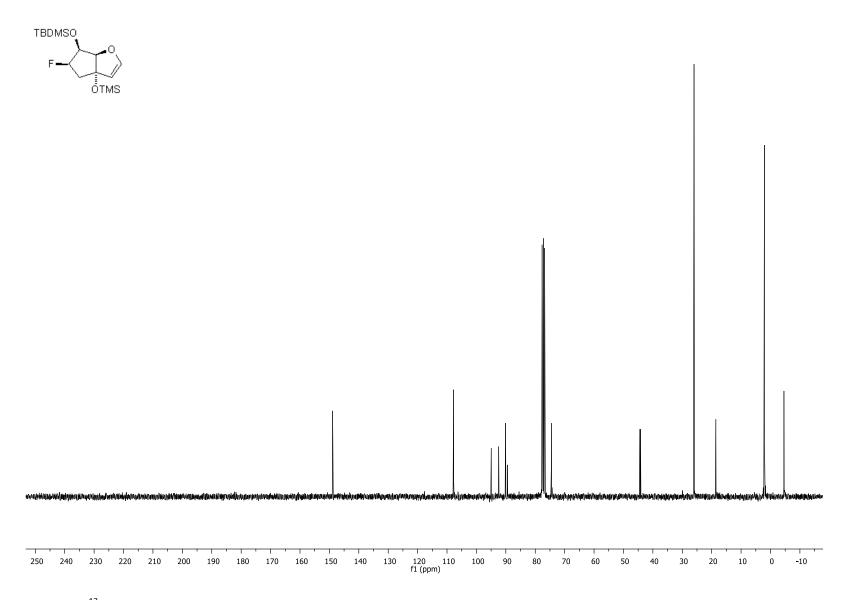


Figure S20: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) spectrum of **10** 

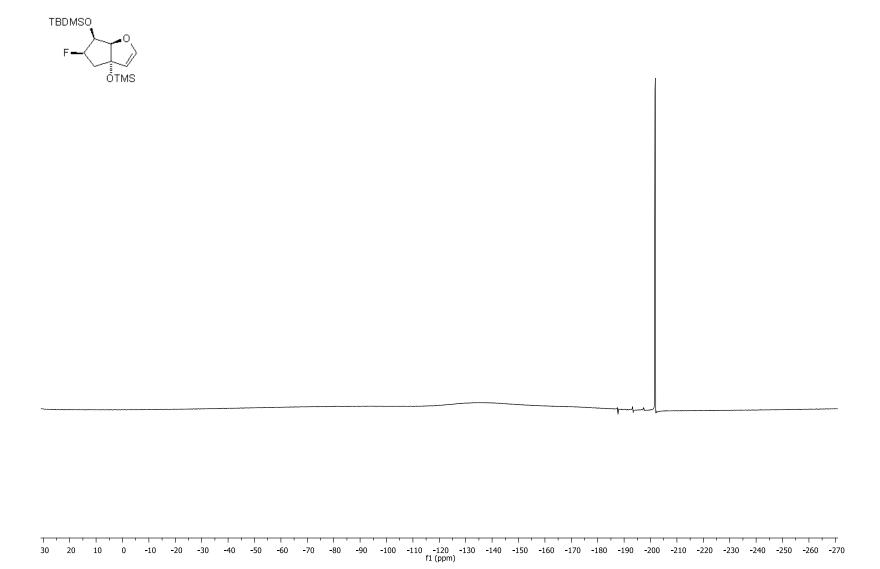


Figure S21: <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 376 MHz) spectrum of **10** 

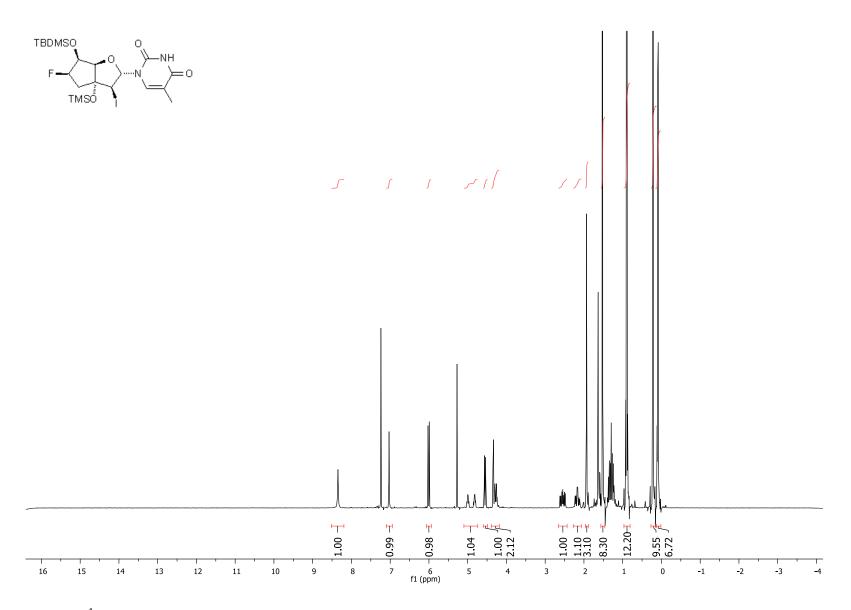


Figure S22: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) spectrum of 11a

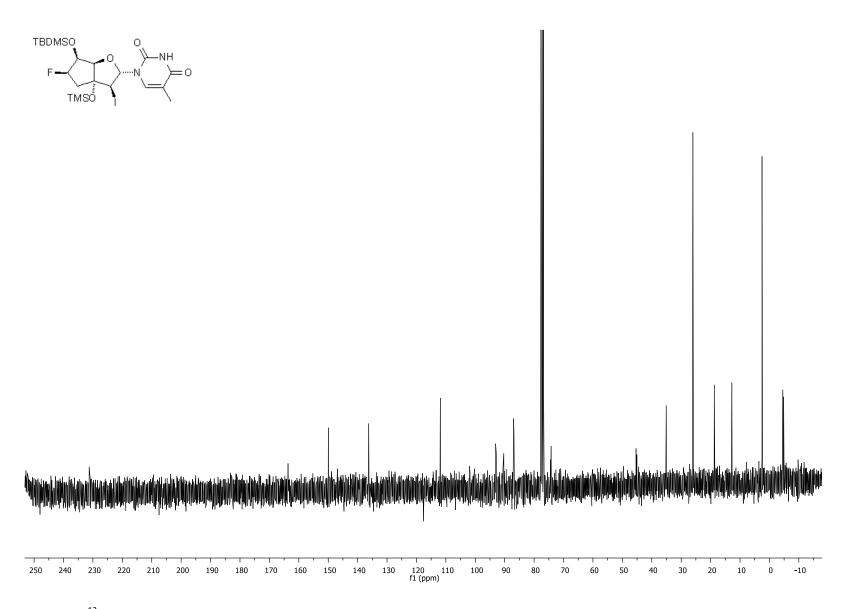


Figure S23: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) spectrum of **11a** 

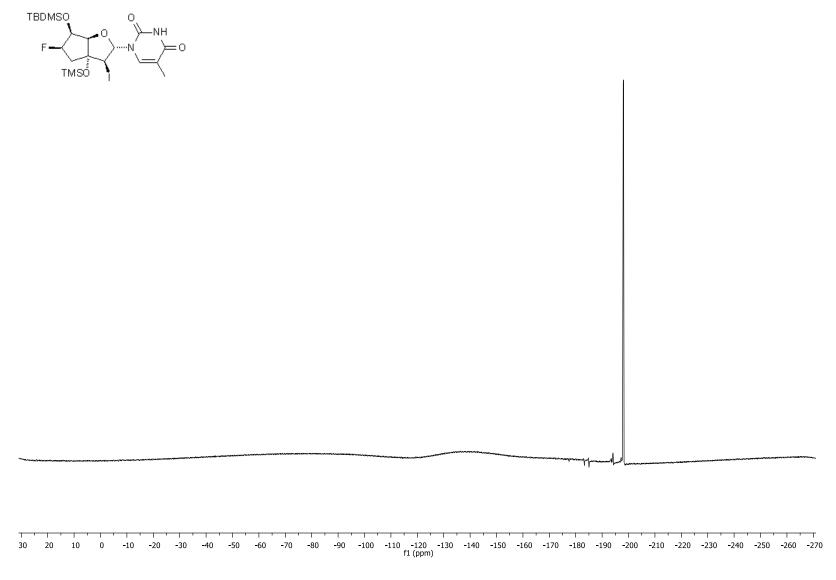


Figure S24: <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 376 MHz) spectrum of **11a** 

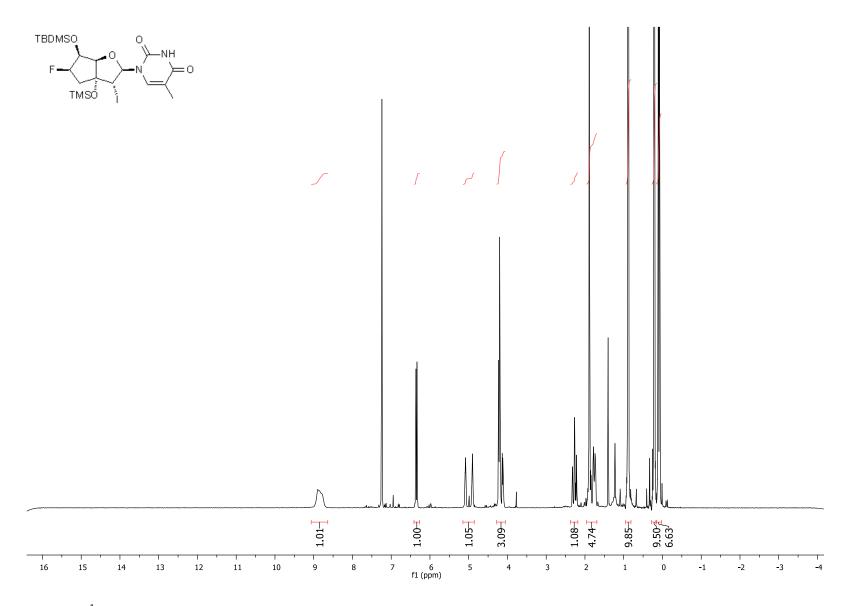


Figure S25: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) spectrum of **11b** 

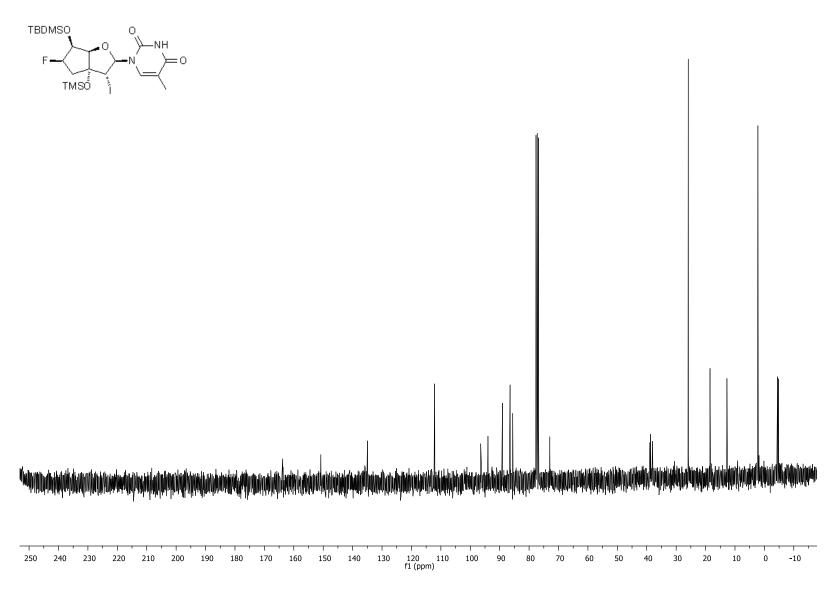


Figure S26: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) spectrum of **11b** 

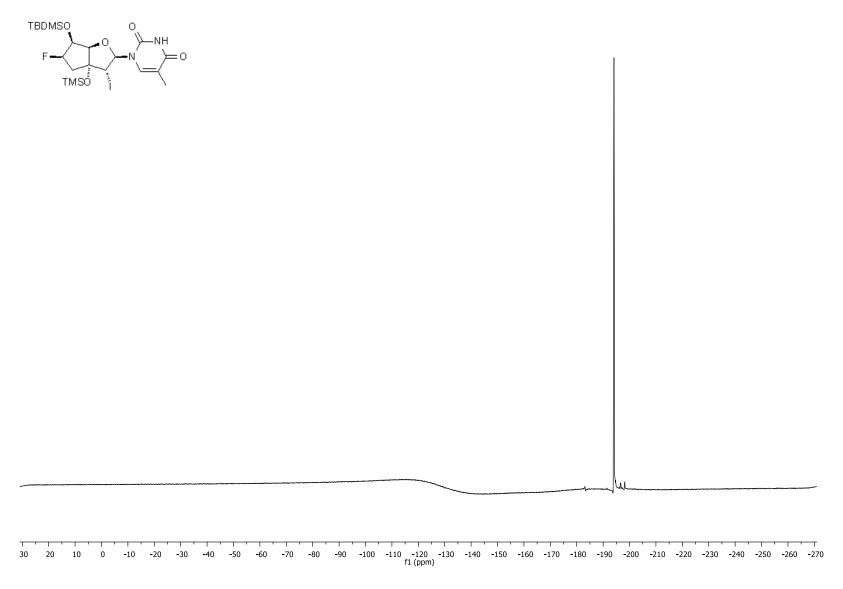


Figure S27: <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 376 MHz) spectrum of **11b** 

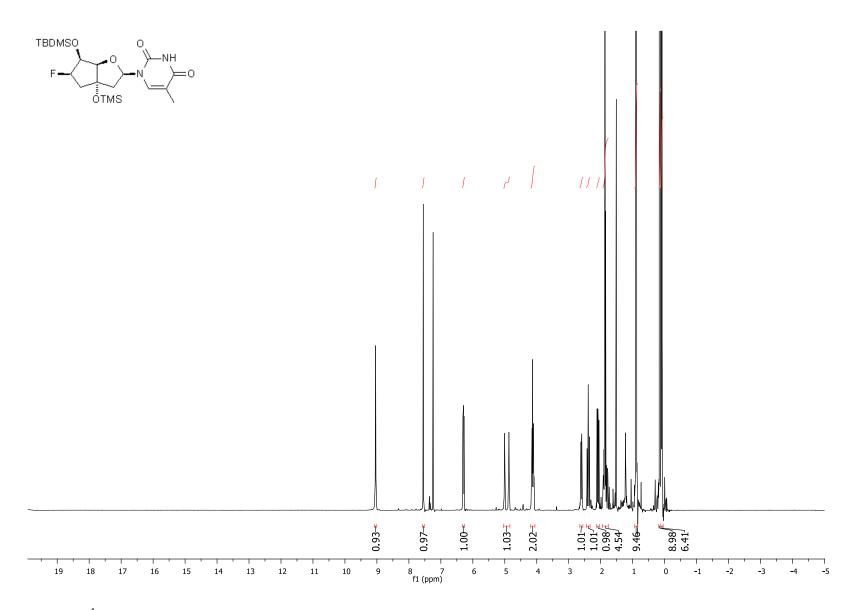


Figure S28: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) spectrum of **12** 

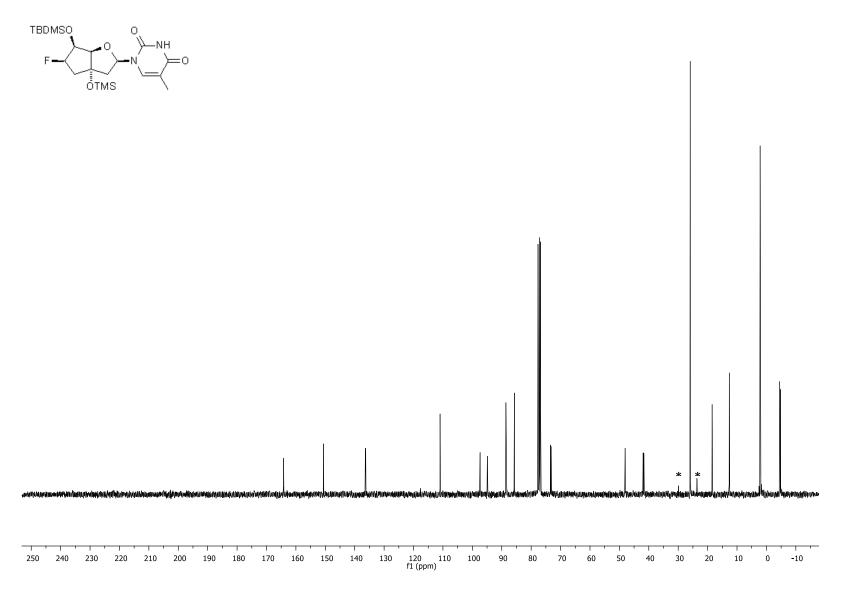


Figure S29: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) spectrum of **12** (\* unknown impurities).

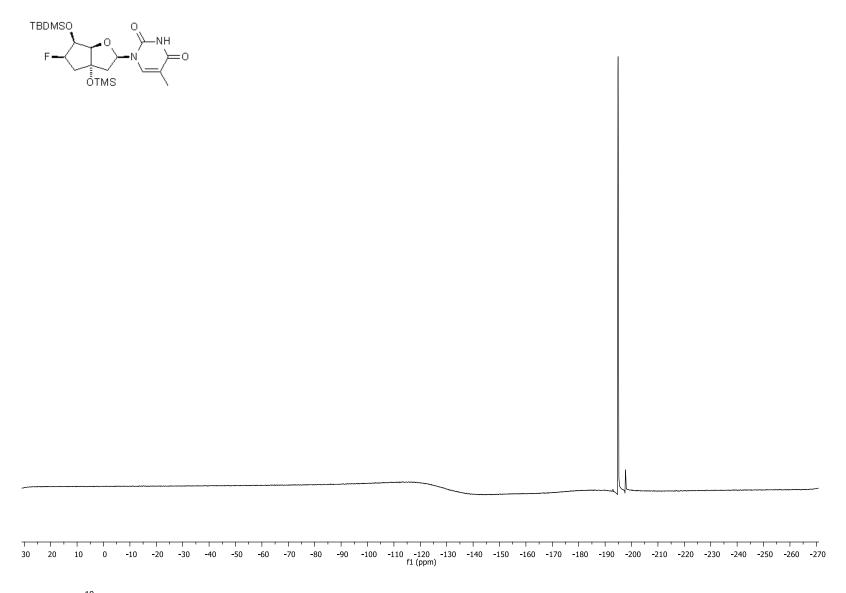


Figure S30: <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 376 MHz) spectrum of **12** 

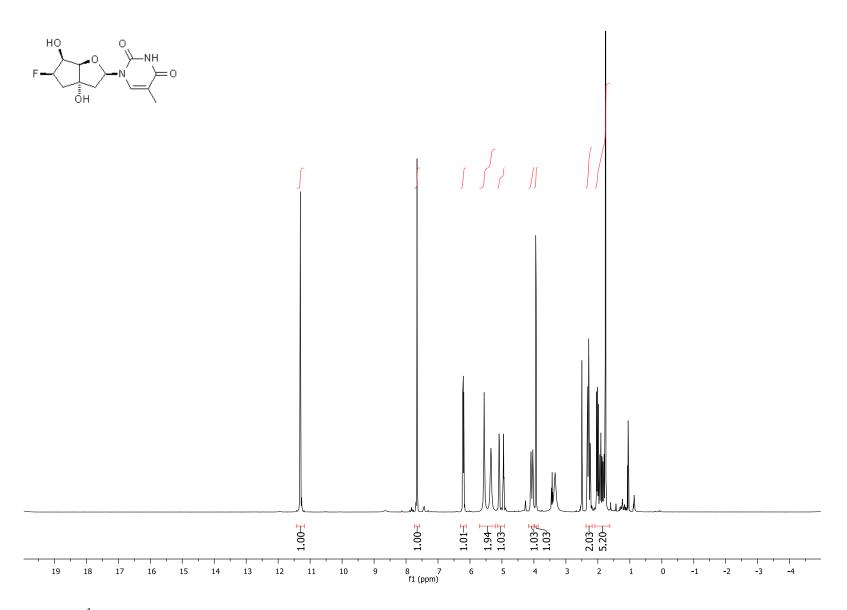


Figure S31: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-d6, 400 MHz) spectrum of 13

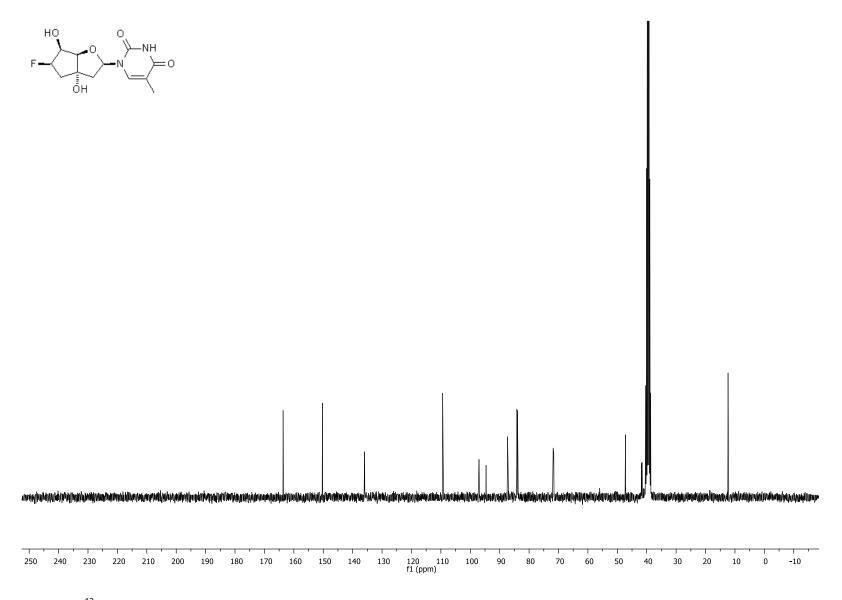


Figure S32: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-d6, 75 MHz) spectrum of **13** 

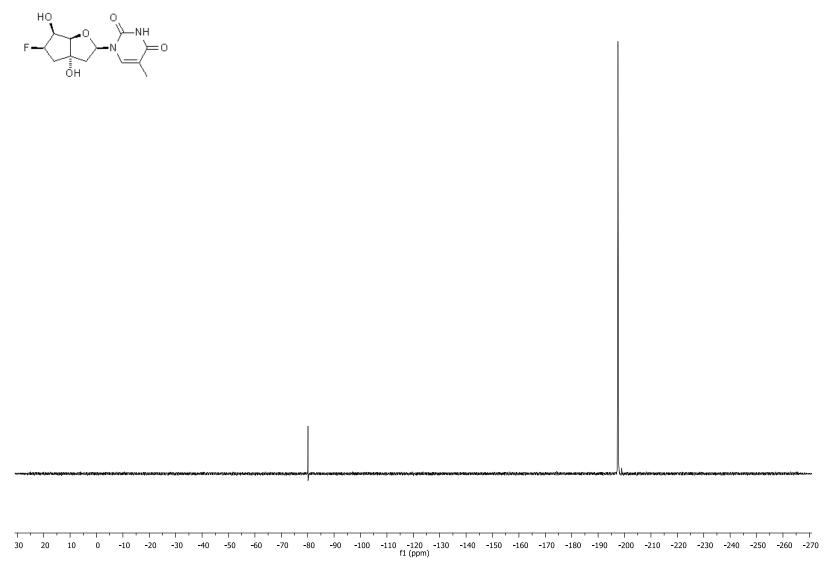


Figure S33: <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CD<sub>3</sub>OD, 376 MHz) spectrum of **13** 

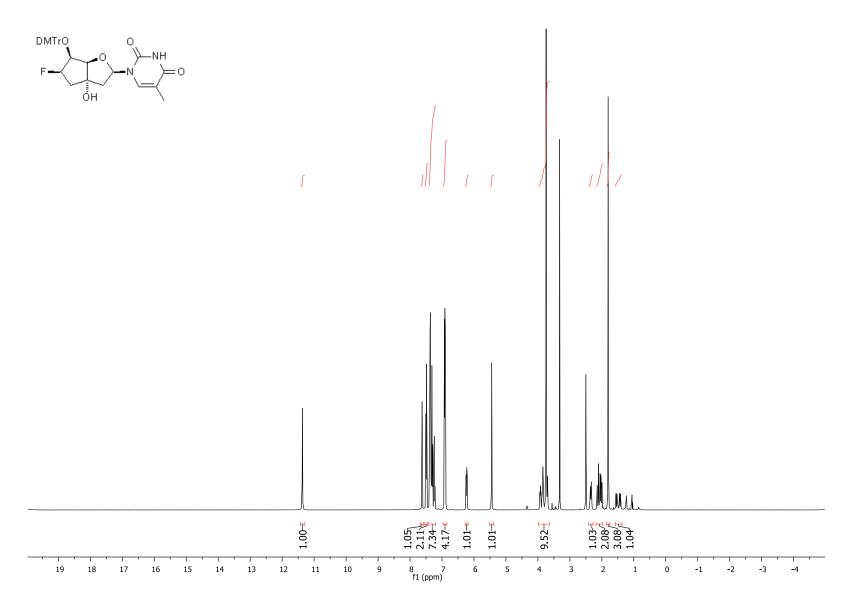


Figure S34: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-d6, 400 MHz) spectrum of 14

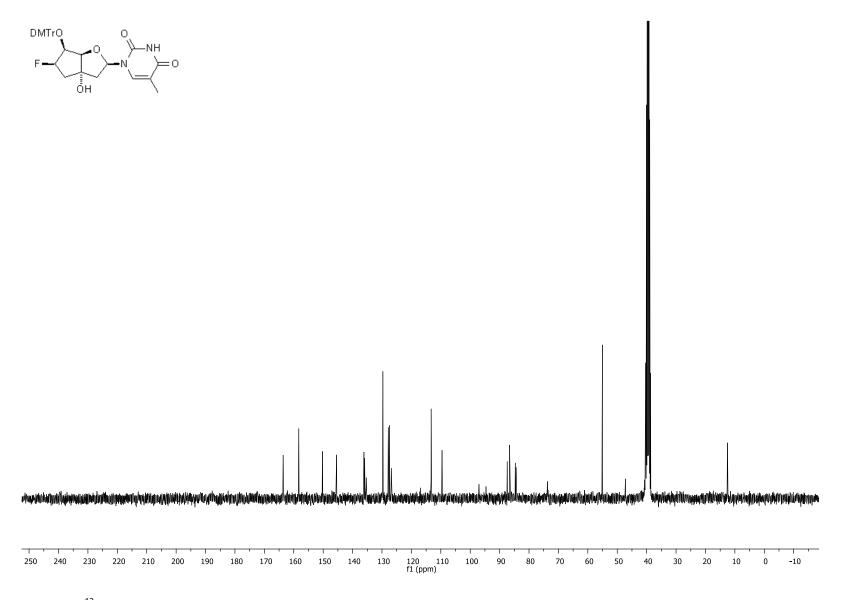


Figure S35: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-d6, 75 MHz) spectrum of **14** 

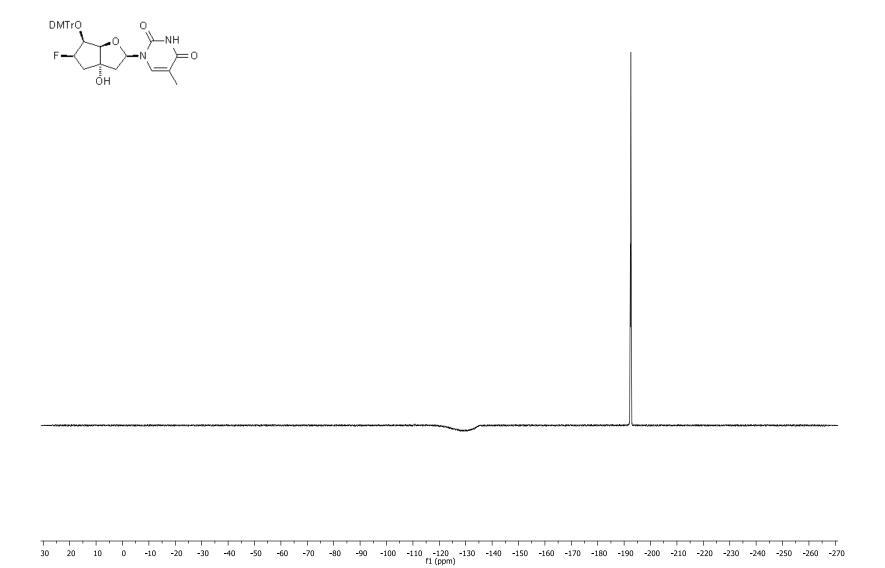


Figure S36: <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO-d6, 376 MHz) spectrum of **14** 

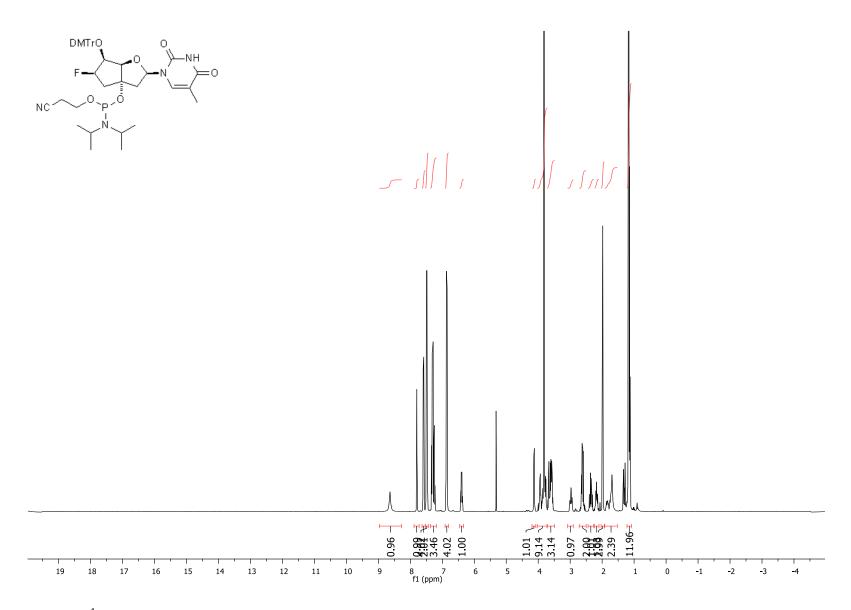


Figure S37: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz) spectrum of **15** 

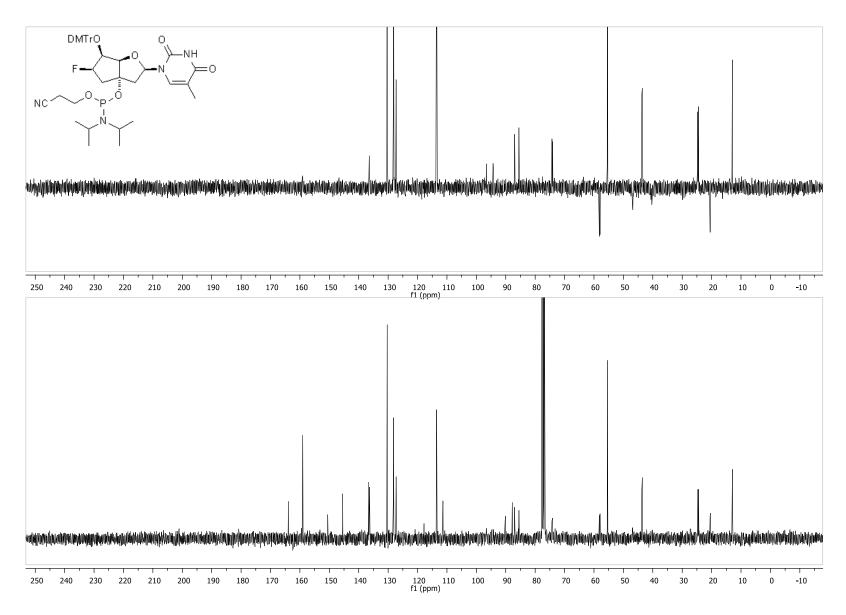


Figure S38: <sup>13</sup>C/DEPT NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) spectrum of 15

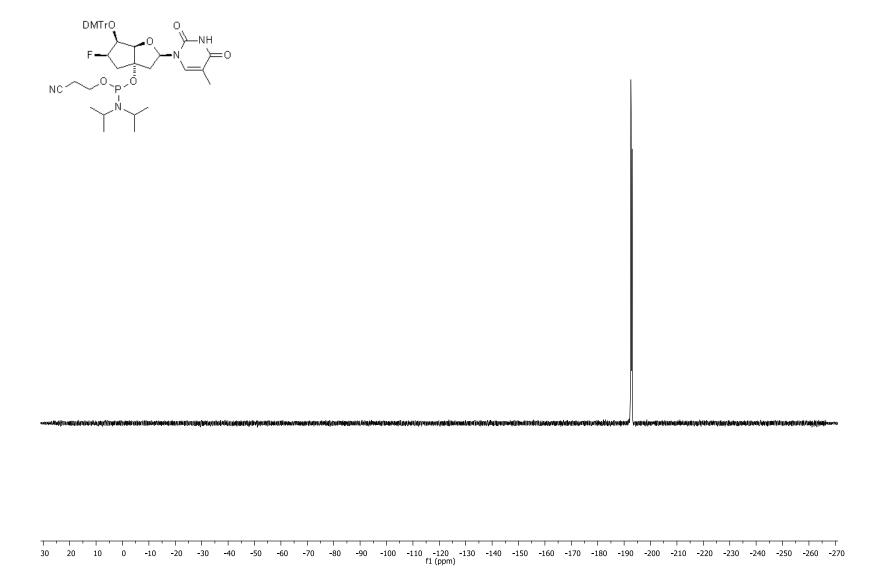


Figure S39: <sup>19</sup>F NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 376 MHz) spectrum of **15** 

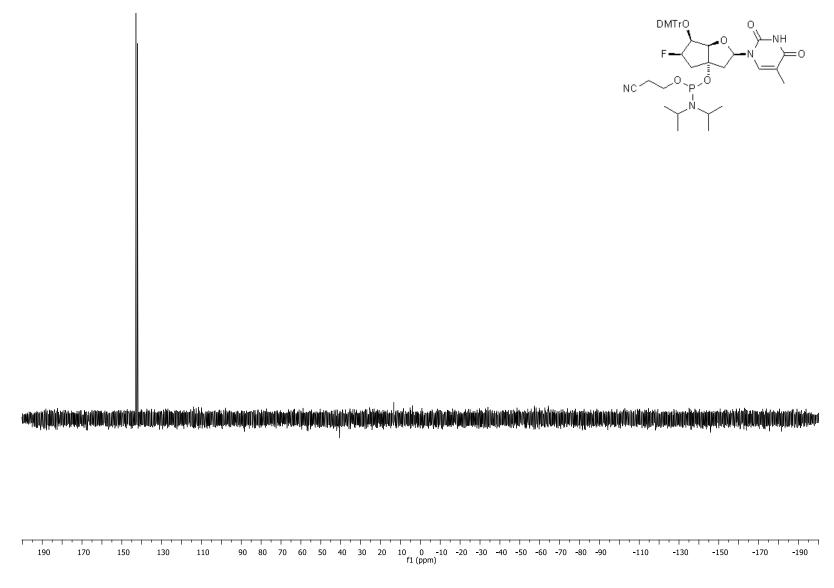


Figure S40: <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 122 MHz) spectrum of 15

**Crystal-Structure Determination.** –A colorless crystal of compound **13** ( $C_{12}H_{15}FN_2O_5$ )was mounted in air and used for X-ray structure determination at 173K. All measurements were made on a *Oxford Diffraction SuperNova* area-detector diffractometer using mirror optics monochromated Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda$  = 0.71073 Å) and Al filtered. The unit cell constants and an orientation matrix for data collection were obtained from a least-squares refinement of the setting angles of reflections in the range 2° < 0 < 27.2°. A total of 561 frames were collected using  $\omega$  scans, with 80+80 seconds exposure time, a rotation angle of 1.0° per frame and a crystal-detector distance of 65.2 mm.

Data reduction was performed using the *CrysAlisPro* program. The intensities were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects, and an absorption correction based on the multi-scan method using SCALE3 ABSPACK in *CrysAlisPro* was applied. Data collection and refinement parameters are given in *Table 1*.

The structure was solved by direct methods using *SHELXS-97*, which revealed the positions of all non-hydrogen atoms of the title compound. The non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All Hatoms were placed in geometrically calculated positions and refined using a riding model where each Hatom was assigned a fixed isotropic displacement parameter with a value equal to 1.2Ueq of its parent atom (1.5Ueq for the methyl groups).

Refinement of the structure was carried out on  $F^2$  using full-matrix least-squares procedures, which minimized the function  $\Sigma w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2$ . The weighting scheme was based on counting statistics and included a factor to downweight the intense reflections.

All calculations were performed using the SHELXL-97 program.

The data did not allow assignment of absolute configuration, which was assigned based on the knowledge of the parent compound. Friedel pairs were then merged before the refinement.

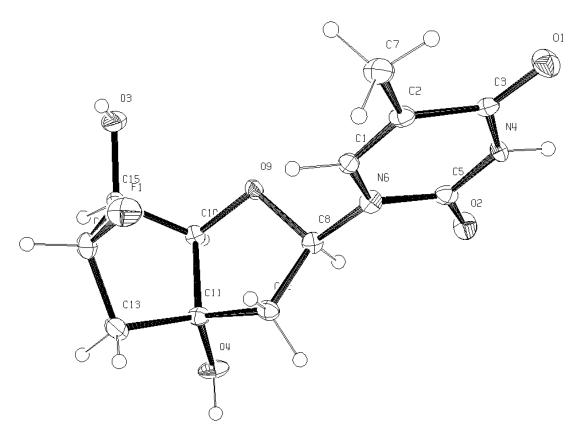


Figure \$41: ORTEP view of compound 13.

Table S1 - Crystal Data and Details of the Structure Determination
 for: 13 in P2(1)2(1)2(1)

|                        | Crystal Data    |              |               |
|------------------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|
| Formula                |                 | C12          | H15 F N2 O5   |
| Formula Weight         |                 |              | 286.26        |
| Crystal System         |                 | (            | Orthorhombic  |
| Space group            |                 | $P2_12_12_1$ | (No. 19)      |
| a, b, c [Angstrom]     | 6.1167(17)      | 13.975(2)    | 14.558(2)     |
| V [Ang**3]             |                 |              | 1244.5(4)     |
| Ζ                      |                 |              | 4             |
| D(calc) [g/cm**3]      |                 |              | 1.528         |
| Mu(MoKa) [ /mm ]       |                 |              | 0.129         |
| F(000)                 |                 |              | 600           |
| Crystal Size [mm]      |                 | 0.10 x       | 0.03 x 0.02   |
|                        | Data Collection |              |               |
| Temperature (K)        |                 |              | 173           |
| Radiation [Angstrom]   |                 | MoKa         | 0.71073       |
| Theta Min-Max [Deg]    |                 |              | 2.0, 27.2     |
| Dataset                |                 | 7:-7; 16     | :-16 ; 17:-17 |
| Tot., Uniq. Data, R(in | nt)             | 9404,        | 1348, 0.1046  |
| Observed data [I > 2.0 | ) sigma(I)]     |              | 1050          |

## Refinement

| Nref, Npar                           | 1348, 181             |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| R, wR2, S                            | 0.0827, 0.1418, 1.053 |
| R, wR2 [I $> 2.0 \text{ sigma(I)}$ ] | 0.0589, 0.13          |
| Max. and Av. Shift/Error             | 0.008, 0.001          |
| Min. and Max. Resd. Dens. [e/Ang^3]  | -0.37, 0.32           |

Table S2 - Final Coordinates and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement

Parameters of the non-Hydrogen atoms

| for: | 13 | in | P2(1) | 2 (1 | 2(1) |
|------|----|----|-------|------|------|
|------|----|----|-------|------|------|

| Atom | х           | У         | z          | U(eq) [Ang^2] |
|------|-------------|-----------|------------|---------------|
|      |             |           |            |               |
| F1   | -0.1977(6)  | 0.2464(3) | 0.0962(2)  | 0.0402(11)    |
| 01   | 0.4259(7)   | 0.6673(3) | -0.0174(3) | 0.0340(14)    |
| 02   | 0.6465(7)   | 0.4699(3) | 0.2110(2)  | 0.0320(12)    |
| 03   | 0.1204(7)   | 0.1193(3) | 0.0323(2)  | 0.0312(11)    |
| 04   | 0.1652(7)   | 0.2029(3) | 0.3499(2)  | 0.0308(13)    |
| 09   | 0.2905(6)   | 0.2673(2) | 0.1314(2)  | 0.0222(11)    |
| N4   | 0.5205(7)   | 0.5670(3) | 0.0972(3)  | 0.0210(12)    |
| N6   | 0.3192(8)   | 0.4350(3) | 0.1397(3)  | 0.0230(12)    |
| C1   | 0.1662(9)   | 0.4597(4) | 0.0736(3)  | 0.0227(17)    |
| C2   | 0.1852(9)   | 0.5370(4) | 0.0190(3)  | 0.0240(16)    |
| С3   | 0.3802(9)   | 0.5964(4) | 0.0285(3)  | 0.0200(16)    |
| C5   | 0.5076(9)   | 0.4881(4) | 0.1529(3)  | 0.0243(17)    |
| C7   | 0.0144(9)   | 0.5664(5) | -0.0500(4) | 0.0333(19)    |
| C8   | 0.2932(9)   | 0.3467(4) | 0.1928(3)  | 0.0223(17)    |
| C10  | 0.2147(9)   | 0.1874(4) | 0.1847(3)  | 0.0197(17)    |
| C11  | 0.0726(9)   | 0.2285(4) | 0.2636(3)  | 0.0213(16)    |
| C12  | 0.0838(9)   | 0.3375(4) | 0.2472(3)  | 0.0227(17)    |
| C13  | -0.1562(10) | 0.1839(4) | 0.2483(3)  | 0.0317(17)    |
| C14  | -0.1657(9)  | 0.1617(4) | 0.1469(4)  | 0.0307(17)    |
| C15  | 0.0657(9)   | 0.1238(4) | 0.1264(3)  | 0.0233(17)    |
| ,    |             | 5         |            | ,             |

 ${\tt U\,(eq)}$  = 1/3 of the trace of the orthogonalized  ${\tt U}$  Tensor

 $\begin{tabular}{lll} \textbf{Table S3} & \textbf{-} & \textbf{Hydrogen Atom Positions and Isotropic Displacement} \\ & \textbf{Parameters} \\ \end{tabular}$ 

for: **13** in P2(1)2(1)2(1)

| Atom | x        | У       | z U(iso  | ) [Ang^2] |
|------|----------|---------|----------|-----------|
|      |          |         |          |           |
| H1   | 0.04144  | 0.41989 | 0.06637  | 0.0271    |
| Н3   | 0.02079  | 0.14486 | 0.00114  | 0.0468    |
| H4   | 0.63445  | 0.60414 | 0.10659  | 0.0252    |
| H4A  | 0.08833  | 0.22561 | 0.39248  | 0.0466    |
| н7А  | 0.06078  | 0.62542 | -0.08074 | 0.0496    |
| Н7В  | -0.12488 | 0.57750 | -0.01843 | 0.0496    |
| H7C  | -0.00396 | 0.51556 | -0.09568 | 0.0496    |

| Н8   | 0.42031  | 0.33984 | 0.23546 | 0.0267 |
|------|----------|---------|---------|--------|
| H10  | 0.34049  | 0.14993 | 0.20973 | 0.0234 |
| H12A | -0.04375 | 0.36039 | 0.21162 | 0.0271 |
| H12B | 0.09225  | 0.37307 | 0.30591 | 0.0271 |
| H13A | -0.17348 | 0.12484 | 0.28519 | 0.0378 |
| Н13В | -0.27274 | 0.22961 | 0.26568 | 0.0378 |
| H14  | -0.28028 | 0.11278 | 0.13281 | 0.0366 |
| H15  | 0.07518  | 0.05733 | 0.15162 | 0.0281 |
|      |          |         |         |        |

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The Temperature Factor has the Form of Exp(-T) Where T = 8\*(Pi\*\*2)\*U\*(Sin(Theta)/Lambda)\*\*2 for Isotropic Atoms

Table S4 - (An)isotropic Displacement Parameters
 for: 13 in P2(1)2(1)2(1)

| Atom | U(1,1) or 0 | J U(2,2)   | U(3,3)     | U(2,3)      | U(1,3)      | U(1,2)      |
|------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| F1   | 0.0244(19)  | 0.062(2)   | 0.0341(17) | 0.0028(17)  | -0.0092(17) | 0.0106(18)  |
| 01   | 0.037(3)    | 0.034(2)   | 0.031(2)   | 0.0118(19)  | -0.005(2)   | -0.003(2)   |
| 02   | 0.028(2)    | 0.033(2)   | 0.035(2)   | 0.0065(17)  | -0.010(2)   | -0.002(2)   |
| 03   | 0.033(2)    | 0.039(2)   | 0.0215(18) | -0.0020(16) | -0.001(2)   | -0.002(2)   |
| 04   | 0.042(3)    | 0.034(2)   | 0.0165(18) | 0.0013(15)  | 0.000(2)    | 0.017(2)    |
| 09   | 0.0190(19)  | 0.0211(19) | 0.0266(19) | -0.0024(16) | 0.0079(18)  | -0.0039(16) |
| N4   | 0.018(2)    | 0.021(2)   | 0.024(2)   | 0.001(2)    | 0.003(2)    | -0.0059(19) |
| N6   | 0.021(2)    | 0.023(2)   | 0.025(2)   | 0.001(2)    | -0.003(2)   | 0.004(2)    |
| C1   | 0.015(3)    | 0.029(3)   | 0.024(3)   | -0.008(2)   | 0.007(2)    | -0.004(2)   |
| C2   | 0.019(3)    | 0.032(3)   | 0.021(2)   | -0.002(2)   | 0.001(3)    | 0.003(2)    |
| C3   | 0.019(3)    | 0.026(3)   | 0.015(2)   | -0.003(2)   | -0.001(2)   | 0.003(2)    |
| C5   | 0.026(3)    | 0.025(3)   | 0.022(3)   | -0.002(2)   | 0.006(3)    | 0.005(2)    |
| C7   | 0.023(3)    | 0.051(4)   | 0.026(3)   | -0.001(3)   | -0.002(3)   | -0.003(3)   |
| C8   | 0.021(3)    | 0.021(3)   | 0.025(3)   | 0.000(2)    | 0.000(3)    | 0.002(2)    |
| C10  | 0.015(3)    | 0.019(3)   | 0.025(3)   | 0.001(2)    | 0.000(2)    | 0.005(2)    |
| C11  | 0.019(3)    | 0.028(3)   | 0.017(2)   | 0.002(2)    | -0.002(2)   | 0.003(2)    |
| C12  | 0.019(3)    | 0.026(3)   | 0.023(3)   | 0.000(2)    | 0.003(2)    | 0.002(2)    |
| C13  | 0.028(3)    | 0.039(3)   | 0.028(3)   | 0.005(3)    | 0.006(3)    | -0.008(3)   |
| C14  | 0.020(3)    | 0.038(3)   | 0.034(3)   | -0.002(3)   | -0.003(3)   | -0.009(3)   |
| C15  | 0.026(3)    | 0.018(3)   | 0.026(3)   | 0.000(2)    | 0.006(3)    | -0.004(2)   |

The Temperature Factor has the Form of Exp(-T) Where T = 8\*(Pi\*\*2)\*U\*(Sin(Theta)/Lambda)\*\*2 for Isotropic Atoms

T = 2\*(Pi\*\*2)\*Sumij(h(i)\*h(j)\*U(i,j)\*Astar(i)\*Astar(j)), for Anisotropic Atoms. Astar(i) are Reciprocal Axial Lengths and

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h(i) are the Reflection Indices.

F1 -C14 1.409(7) C10 -C15 1.530(7)

| 01 | -C3  | 1.227(7) | C10 | -C11  | 1.551(7) |
|----|------|----------|-----|-------|----------|
| 02 | -C5  | 1.226(6) | C11 | -C12  | 1.543(8) |
| 03 | -C15 | 1.412(5) | C11 | -C13  | 1.548(8) |
| 04 | -C11 | 1.424(6) | C13 | -C14  | 1.510(7) |
| 09 | -C8  | 1.425(6) | C14 | -C15  | 1.540(8) |
| 09 | -C10 | 1.437(6) | C1  | -H1   | 0.9500   |
| 03 | -H3  | 0.8400   | С7  | -H7A  | 0.9800   |
| 04 | -H4A | 0.8400   | С7  | -Н7В  | 0.9800   |
| N4 | -C5  | 1.371(7) | С7  | -H7C  | 0.9800   |
| N4 | -C3  | 1.380(7) | C8  | -H8   | 1.0000   |
| N6 | -C5  | 1.384(7) | C10 | -H10  | 1.0000   |
| N6 | -C8  | 1.465(7) | C12 | -H12A | 0.9900   |
| N6 | -C1  | 1.386(7) | C12 | -H12B | 0.9900   |
| N4 | -H4  | 0.8800   | C13 | -H13A | 0.9900   |
| C1 | -C2  | 1.346(7) | C13 | -H13B | 0.9900   |
| C2 | -C3  | 1.460(8) | C14 | -H14  | 1.0000   |
| C2 | -C7  | 1.506(8) | C15 | -H15  | 1.0000   |
| C8 | -C12 | 1.511(7) |     |       |          |

**Table 86** - Bond Angles (Degrees) for: **13** in P2(1)2(1)2(1)

| C8  | -09  | -C10 | 105.7(3) | C10 | -C11 | -C13  | 104.5(4) |
|-----|------|------|----------|-----|------|-------|----------|
| C15 | -03  | -н3  | 109.00   | 04  | -C11 | -C10  | 109.7(4) |
| C11 | -04  | -H4A | 109.00   | 04  | -C11 | -C13  | 112.7(4) |
| C3  | -N4  | -C5  | 129.2(5) | C8  | -C12 | -C11  | 101.7(4) |
| C1  | -N6  | -C8  | 120.2(4) | C11 | -C13 | -C14  | 105.0(4) |
| C1  | -N6  | -C5  | 121.7(4) | F1  | -C14 | -C13  | 110.2(4) |
| C5  | -N6  | -C8  | 118.0(4) | F1  | -C14 | -C15  | 108.4(4) |
| C5  | -N4  | -H4  | 115.00   | C13 | -C14 | -C15  | 103.0(4) |
| C3  | -N4  | -H4  | 115.00   | 03  | -C15 | -C14  | 114.9(4) |
| N6  | -C1  | -C2  | 123.5(5) | C10 | -C15 | -C14  | 103.9(4) |
| C1  | -C2  | -C7  | 123.6(5) | 03  | -C15 | -C10  | 115.0(4) |
| C3  | -C2  | -C7  | 118.3(5) | N6  | -C1  | -H1   | 118.00   |
| C1  | -C2  | -C3  | 118.1(5) | C2  | -C1  | -H1   | 118.00   |
| 01  | -C3  | -C2  | 126.4(5) | C2  | -C7  | -н7А  | 109.00   |
| N4  | -C3  | -C2  | 114.0(4) | C2  | -C7  | -н7в  | 109.00   |
| 01  | -C3  | -N4  | 119.6(5) | C2  | -C7  | -H7C  | 110.00   |
| 02  | -C5  | -N4  | 122.4(5) | H7A | -C7  | -н7в  | 109.00   |
| 02  | -C5  | -N6  | 124.2(5) | H7A | -C7  | -H7C  | 109.00   |
| N4  | -C5  | -N6  | 113.4(4) | н7в | -C7  | -H7C  | 109.00   |
| 09  | -C8  | -N6  | 109.0(3) | 09  | -C8  | -H8   | 109.00   |
| N6  | -C8  | -C12 | 116.1(5) | N6  | -C8  | -H8   | 109.00   |
| 09  | -C8  | -C12 | 104.6(4) | C12 | -C8  | -H8   | 109.00   |
| 09  | -C10 | -C11 | 107.0(4) | 09  | -C10 | -H10  | 111.00   |
| 09  | -C10 | -C15 | 110.1(4) | C11 | -C10 | -H10  | 111.00   |
| C11 | -C10 | -C15 | 107.0(4) | C15 | -C10 | -H10  | 111.00   |
| C10 | -C11 | -C12 | 103.1(4) | C8  | -C12 | -H12A | 111.00   |
|     |      |      |          |     |      |       |          |

| C12  | -C11 | -C13  | 114.5(4) | C8  | -C12 | -H12B | 111.00 |
|------|------|-------|----------|-----|------|-------|--------|
| 04   | -C11 | -C12  | 111.5(4) | C11 | -C12 | -H12A | 111.00 |
| C11  | -C12 | -H12B | 111.00   | F1  | -C14 | -H14  | 112.00 |
| H12A | -C12 | -H12B | 109.00   | C13 | -C14 | -H14  | 112.00 |
| C11  | -C13 | -H13A | 111.00   | C15 | -C14 | -H14  | 112.00 |
| C11  | -C13 | -н13в | 111.00   | 03  | -C15 | -H15  | 108.00 |
| C14  | -C13 | -H13A | 111.00   | C10 | -C15 | -H15  | 108.00 |
| C14  | -C13 | -н13в | 111.00   | C14 | -C15 | -H15  | 108.00 |
| H13A | -C13 | -н13в | 109.00   |     |      |       |        |

**Table S7** - Torsion Angles (Degrees) for: **13** in P2(1)2(1)2(1)

| C8  | -09  | -C10 | -C15 | 142.2(4)  |
|-----|------|------|------|-----------|
| C10 | -09  | -C8  | -N6  | -167.0(4) |
| C10 | -09  | -C8  | -C12 | -42.1(5)  |
| C8  | -09  | -C10 | -C11 | 26.2(5)   |
| С3  | -N4  | -C5  | -N6  | -3.8(7)   |
| C5  | -N4  | -C3  | -01  | -176.3(5) |
| C5  | -N4  | -C3  | -C2  | 4.1(8)    |
| С3  | -N4  | -C5  | -02  | 179.1(5)  |
| C5  | -N6  | -C1  | -C2  | -1.4(8)   |
| C5  | -N6  | -C8  | -C12 | 126.5(5)  |
| C1  | -N6  | -C5  | -N4  | 2.2(7)    |
| C1  | -N6  | -C8  | -C12 | -58.2(6)  |
| C1  | -N6  | -C5  | -02  | 179.2(5)  |
| C8  | -N6  | -C5  | -02  | -5.7(7)   |
| C1  | -N6  | -C8  | -09  | 59.6(6)   |
| C8  | -N6  | -C5  | -N4  | 177.3(4)  |
| C8  | -N6  | -C1  | -C2  | -176.5(5) |
| C5  | -N6  | -C8  | -09  | -115.6(5) |
| N6  | -C1  | -C2  | -C7  | -177.2(5) |
| N6  | -C1  | -C2  | -C3  | 1.6(8)    |
| C7  | -C2  | -C3  | -N4  | 176.2(5)  |
| C1  | -C2  | -C3  | -N4  | -2.7(7)   |
| C1  | -C2  | -C3  | -01  | 177.7(5)  |
| C7  | -C2  | -C3  | -01  | -3.4(8)   |
| N6  | -C8  | -C12 | -C11 | 160.5(4)  |
| 09  | -C8  | -C12 | -C11 | 40.2(4)   |
| 09  | -C10 | -C11 | -04  | -119.6(4) |
| 09  | -C10 | -C11 | -C12 | -0.7(5)   |
| 09  | -C10 | -C11 | -C13 | 119.3(4)  |
| C15 | -C10 | -C11 | -04  | 122.4(5)  |
| C15 | -C10 | -C11 | -C12 | -118.7(4) |
| C15 | -C10 | -C11 | -C13 | 1.3(5)    |
| 09  | -C10 | -C15 | -03  | 33.2(6)   |
| 09  | -C10 | -C15 | -C14 | -93.2(5)  |
| C11 | -C10 | -C15 | -03  | 149.2(4)  |
|     |      |      |      |           |

| C11 | -C10 | -C15 | -C14 | 22.8(5)   |
|-----|------|------|------|-----------|
| 04  | -C11 | -C12 | -C8  | 94.6(4)   |
| C10 | -C11 | -C12 | -C8  | -23.1(5)  |
| C13 | -C11 | -C12 | -C8  | -136.0(4) |
| 04  | -C11 | -C13 | -C14 | -144.6(4) |
| C10 | -C11 | -C13 | -C14 | -25.6(5)  |
| C12 | -C11 | -C13 | -C14 | 86.5(5)   |
| C11 | -C13 | -C14 | -F1  | -75.5(5)  |
| C11 | -C13 | -C14 | -C15 | 39.9(5)   |
| F1  | -C14 | -C15 | -03  | -48.5(6)  |
| F1  | -C14 | -C15 | -C10 | 78.1(5)   |
| C13 | -C14 | -C15 | -03  | -165.2(5) |
| C13 | -C14 | -C15 | -C10 | -38.7(5)  |
|     |      |      |      |           |

Table S8 - Contact Distances(Angstrom)

for: **13** in P2(1)2(1)2(1)

| F1 | .03     | 2.794(6) | 02   | .H12A_d | 2.4400   |
|----|---------|----------|------|---------|----------|
| F1 | .09_a   | 3.186(5) | 04   | .H4_h   | 1.9500   |
| F1 | .09     | 3.044(5) | 09   | .H1     | 2.7900   |
| F1 | .C12    | 3.069(6) | 09   | .H3_f   | 2.6900   |
| F1 | .03_b   | 2.874(5) | N4   | .04_e   | 2.810(6) |
| F1 | .н3     | 2.3900   | N6   | .03_f   | 3.200(6) |
| F1 | .H12A   | 2.5000   | N4   | .H13A_i | 2.8400   |
| F1 | .H1     | 2.8600   | N4   | .H7B_d  | 2.7500   |
| F1 | .H3_b   | 2.7000   | N6   | .H3_f   | 2.6400   |
| 01 | .04_c   | 2.708(6) | C1   | .03_f   | 3.364(7) |
| 02 | .C12_d  | 3.295(7) | C5   | .03_f   | 3.162(6) |
| 03 | .C5_b   | 3.162(6) | C12  | .F1     | 3.069(6) |
| 03 | .F1     | 2.794(6) | C12  | .02_a   | 3.295(7) |
| 03 | .09     | 2.728(5) | C1   | .H3_f   | 2.8300   |
| 03 | .N6_b   | 3.200(6) | C1   | .H12A   | 2.7600   |
| 03 | .C1_b   | 3.364(7) | C1   | .H13A_i | 3.0900   |
| 03 | .F1_f   | 2.874(5) | C2   | .H14_f  | 3.0500   |
| 04 | .01_g   | 2.708(6) | С3   | .H13A_i | 3.0200   |
| 04 | .N4_h   | 2.810(6) | C5   | .H3_f   | 2.9100   |
| 09 | .F1     | 3.044(5) | C5   | .H13A_i | 2.9400   |
| 09 | .03     | 2.728(5) | C7   | .H14_f  | 3.0500   |
| 09 | .F1_d   | 3.186(5) | C12  | .H1     | 2.8800   |
| 01 | .H7A    | 2.4900   | C14  | .H12A   | 3.0300   |
| 01 | .H12B_c | 2.6400   | Н1   | .F1     | 2.8600   |
| 01 | .H4A_c  | 1.9900   | Н1   | .09     | 2.7900   |
| 02 | .H10_e  | 2.7700   | Н1   | .C12    | 2.8800   |
| 02 | .H8     | 2.3100   | Н1   | .H12A   | 2.3300   |
| 02 | .H15_e  | 2.9000   | Н3   | .F1     | 2.3900   |
| нЗ | .F1_f   | 2.7000   | H12A | .F1     | 2.5000   |
| нЗ | .09_b   | 2.6900   | H12A | .02_a   | 2.4400   |
| Н3 | .N6_b   | 2.6400   | H12A | .C1     | 2.7600   |
|    |         |          |      |         |          |

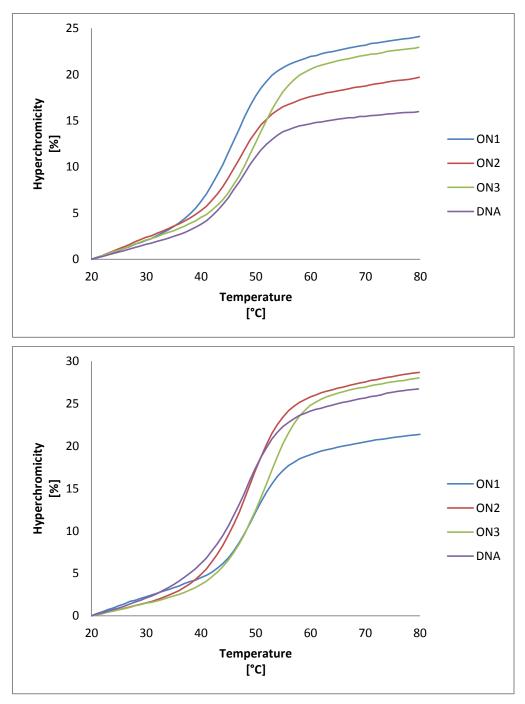
| Н3  | .C1_b   | 2.8300 | H12A | .C14   | 3.0300 |
|-----|---------|--------|------|--------|--------|
| нЗ  | .C5_b   | 2.9100 | H12A | .H1    | 2.3300 |
| H4  | .H7B_d  | 2.3700 | H12A | .H13B  | 2.4300 |
| Н4  | .04_e   | 1.9500 | H12B | .H4A   | 2.4200 |
| Н4  | .H4A_e  | 2.4000 | H12B | .01_g  | 2.6400 |
| H4A | .H12B   | 2.4200 | H13A | .N4_j  | 2.8400 |
| H4A | .01_g   | 1.9900 | H13A | .C1_j  | 3.0900 |
| H4A | .H4_h   | 2.4000 | H13A | .C3_j  | 3.0200 |
| H7A | .01     | 2.4900 | H13A | .C5_j  | 2.9400 |
| Н7В | .N4_a   | 2.7500 | Н13В | .H8_a  | 2.4700 |
| Н7В | .H4_a   | 2.3700 | H13B | .H12A  | 2.4300 |
| H7C | .H14_f  | 2.3200 | H14  | .C2_b  | 3.0500 |
| Н8  | .02     | 2.3100 | H14  | .C7_b  | 3.0500 |
| Н8  | .H13B_d | 2.4700 | H14  | .H7C_b | 2.3200 |
| H10 | .02_h   | 2.7700 | Н15  | .02_h  | 2.9000 |

**Table S9** - Hydrogen Bonds (Angstrom, Deg) for: **13** in P2(1)2(1)2(1)

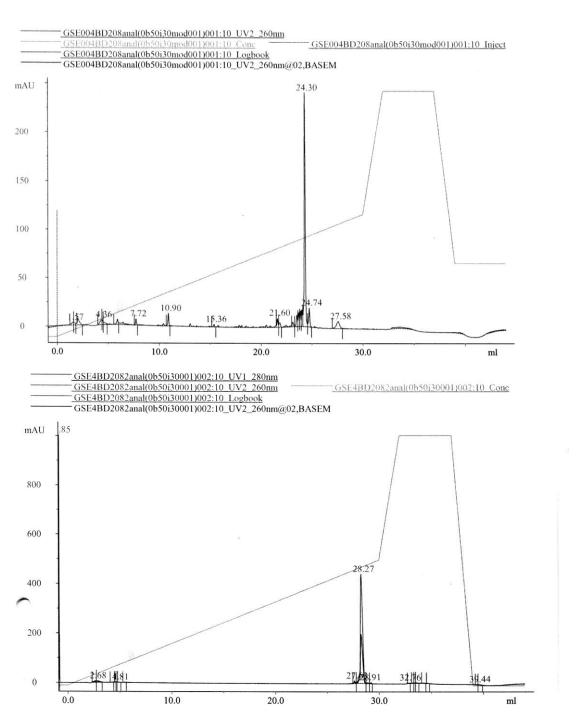
| 0 | 3  | <br>Н3   | <br>F1 | 0.8400 | 2.3900 | 2.794(6) | 110.00 |       |
|---|----|----------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|-------|
| N | 4  | <br>H4   | <br>04 | 0.8800 | 1.9500 | 2.810(6) | 165.00 | 4_655 |
| 0 | 4  | <br>H4A  | <br>01 | 0.8400 | 1.9900 | 2.708(6) | 143.00 | 2_565 |
| C | 7  | <br>H7A  | <br>01 | 0.9800 | 2.4900 | 2.924(7) | 107.00 |       |
| C | 8  | <br>Н8   | <br>02 | 1.0000 | 2.3100 | 2.776(7) | 107.00 |       |
| C | 12 | <br>H12A | <br>F1 | 0.9900 | 2.5000 | 3.069(6) | 116.00 |       |
| C | 12 | <br>H12A | <br>02 | 0.9900 | 2.4400 | 3.295(7) | 145.00 | 1 455 |

## Translation of Symmetry Code to Equiv.Pos

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- c = [2564.00] = 1/2-x, 1-y, -1/2+z
- d = [ 1655.00 ] = 1+x,y,z
- e = [ 4655.00 ] = 1-x, 1/2+y, 1/2-z
- f = [ 3555.00 ] = 1/2+x, 1/2-y, -z
- g = [2565.00] = 1/2-x, 1-y, 1/2+z
- h = [4645.00] = 1-x, -1/2+y, 1/2-z
- i = [ 4555.00 ] = -x, 1/2+y, 1/2-z
- j = [ 4545.00 ] = -x, -1/2+y, 1/2-z



**Figure S42:** Melting curves of 6'F-bcT in oligonucleotides vs DNA (top) and vs RNA(bottom). Conditions:  $1.2 \mu M$  single strands in 150 mM NaCl and 10 mM NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> at pH 7.0



**Figure S43:** HPLC traces of **ON1** as crude mixture (top) and after purification (bottom). Conditions: Dionex DNA Pac-PA100 (top), Dionex DNA Pac-PA200 (bottom); Buffer A: 25 mM Trizma in  $H_2O$ , buffer B 25 mM Trizma, 1.25 M NaCl in  $H_2O$ , pH 8.0, 0 to 50% B in A over 30 min with 1 mL/min.

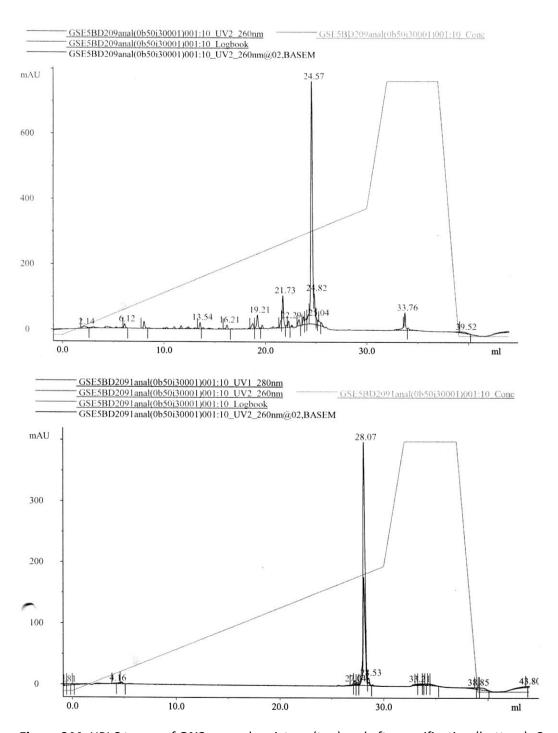
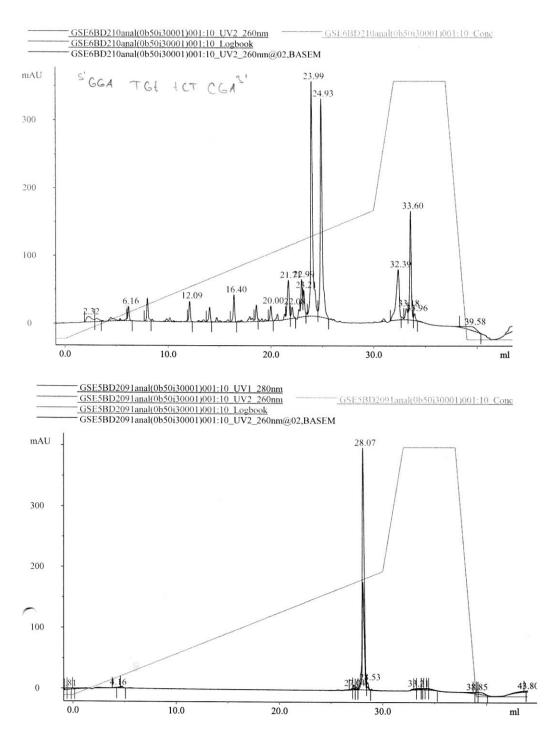


Figure S44: HPLC traces of ON2 as crude mixture (top) and after purification (bottom). Conditions: Dionex DNA Pac-PA100 (top), Dionex DNA Pac-PA200 (bottom); Buffer A: 25 mM Trizma in  $H_2O$ , buffer B 25 mM Trizma, 1.25 M NaCl in  $H_2O$ , pH 8.0, 0 to 50% B in A over 30 min with 1 mL/min.



**Figure S45:** HPLC traces of **ON3** as crude mixture (top) and after purification (bottom). Conditions: Dionex DNA Pac-PA100 (top), Dionex DNA Pac-PA200 (bottom); Buffer A: 25 mM Trizma in  $H_2O$ , buffer B 25 mM Trizma, 1.25 M NaCl in  $H_2O$ , pH 8.0, 0 to 50% B in A over 30 min with 1 mL/min.

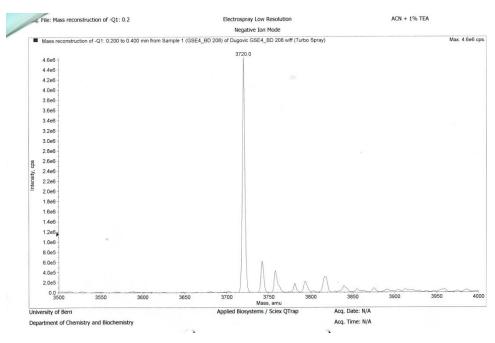


Figure S46: Reconstruction of a ESI--MS of ON1.

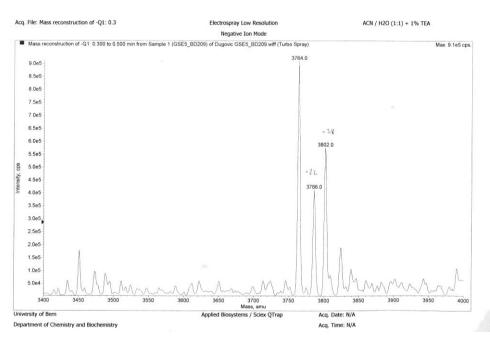


Figure S47: Reconstruction of ESI--MS of ON2 (see also Table S10)

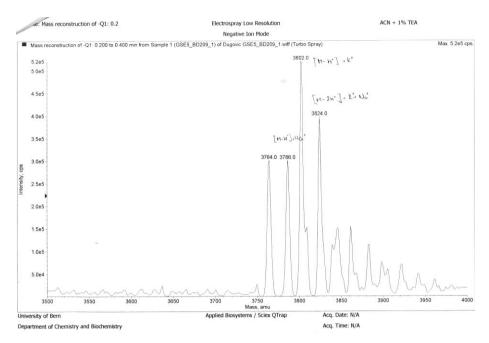


Figure S48: Reconstruction of ESI--MS of ON3