A Novel Strategy for Site Selective Spin-Labeling to Investigate Bioactive Entities by DNP and EPR Spectroscopy

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1 Synthesis of the bis-sulfone based spin label

1.1 Bisthioether 7



1.1.1 ¹H liquid NMR spectrum



Figure 1: ¹H-NMR spectrum of bisthioether 7 in CDCl₃ at 301.2 K and 300 MHz.

1.1.2 ¹³C liquid NMR spectrum



Figure 2: ¹³C-NMR spectrum of Bisthioether 7 in CDCl₃ at 301.2 K and 75 MHz.

1.2 Bis-sulfone 8



1.2.1 ¹H liquid NMR spectrum



Figure 3: ¹H-NMR spectrum of bis-sulfone 8 in DMSO-d₆ at 303 K and 300 MHz.

1.2.2 ¹³C liquid NMR spectrum



Figure 4: ¹³C-NMR spectrum of bis-sulfone 8 in DMSO-d₆ at 303 K and 75 MHz.

1.3 Bis-sulfone based spin label 4 and 5



1.3.1 ¹H liquid NMR spectrum



Figure 5: ¹H-NMR spectrum of the mixture of bis-sulfone based spin labels **4** and **5** (after addition of ascorbic acid) in MeOH-d₄ at 303 K and 300 MHz.

1.3.2 ¹³C liquid NMR spectrum



Figure 6: ¹³C-NMR spectrum of the mixture of bis-sulfone based spin labels 4 and 5 (after addition of ascorbic acid) in MeOH-d₄ at 303 K and 75 MHz.

1.3.3 HPLC chromatogram



Figure 7: HPLC chromatogram of bis-sulfone based spin labels 4 ($t_R = 18.3 \text{ min.}$) and 5 ($t_R = 16.1 \text{ min.}$) at 214 nm, with gradient of acetonitril in water from 20% to 80% with 0.1% TFA for 20 minutes.

1.3.4 EPR spectrum



Figure 8: ESR spectrum of ca. 15 mM bis-sulfone based spin label 4 and 5 at 20 °C.

1.3.3 HPLC-MS chromatogram



Figure 9: HPLC-MS chromatogram of bis-sulfone based spin label 4 and 5 at 180-400 nm, with gradient of acetonitril in water from 20% to 90% with 0.1% formic acid for 19 minutes.

- 2. Synthesis of spin labeled eptifibatide
- 2.1 Reduced eptifibatide 2





Figure 10: HPLC chromatogram of reduced eptifibatide **2** detected at 214 nm, with gradient of acetonitril in water from 20% to 80% with 0.1% TFA for 20 minutes.



Figure 11: ESI-MS spectrum of reduced eptifibatide 2 with zoom into the area of $[M+1H]^+$ and the simulation for $[M+1H]^+$.

2.2 Spin labeled eptifibatide 3





Figure 12: HPLC chromatogram of labeled eptifibatide **3** detected at 214 nm, with gradient of acetonitril in water from 20% to 80% with 0.1% TFA for 20 minutes.



Figure 13: ESR spectrum of ca. 15 mM spin labeled eptifibatide 3.at 20 °C.



Figure 14: HPLC traces (214 nm, with gradient of acetonitril in water from 20% to 80% with 0.1% TFA for 20 minutes) illustrating the DNP solvent mixture (a), spin labeled eptifibatide **3** (b) and spin labeled eptifibatide **3** in DNP solvent mixture (c).