

# Supporting Information

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## Synthesis of New Beta-Amidophosphonates and Theoretical Evaluation of Related Features

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## Experimental

Melting points were measured on an Electrothermal 9100 apparatus. Elemental analyses for C, H, and N were performed using a Heraeus CHN-O-Rapid analyzer. These data were in good agreement with the calculated values. IR spectra were measured on a Shimadzu IR 460 spectrometer. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were measured with BRUKER DRX-500 AVANCE spectrometer at 500.1 and 125.8 MHz, respectively. Mass spectra were recorded with a Finnigan-Matt 8430 mass spectrometer operating at an ionization potential of 70 eV. Triphenylphosphine, triphenylphosphite, theophiline, dimethyl acetylenedicarboxylate were obtained from Fluka (Buchs, Switzerland) and were used without further purification.

## Computational method

Full optimizations of **4** took place at B3LYP/6-311+G\* level of theory without any constrains using Guassian 98 program. Optimized structures and heats of formations of two diastereomers of **4** summarized in Tables S3 and S4.

The typical process for Preparation of *7-(Dialkyl-2-[bis(alkyl(aryl)oxy)-phosphoryl])-(1,3-dimethyl-purine-2,6-dione)-butanedioate (4a-i)*. To a magnetically stirred mixture of 0.36 g theophiline (2 mmol) and trialkyl(aryl) phosphites (**1a-c**) (2 mmol) in dried dichloromethane 5 cm<sup>-3</sup> was added dropwise a solution of dialkyl acetylenecarboxylates (**2**) (2 mmol) in dried dichloromethane (5 cm<sup>-3</sup>). The solution was stirred at room temperature for 24 hr. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the solid residue was washed with 2×5 cm<sup>-3</sup> cold diethyl ether and the product was obtained as white crystals. The solid was filtered off and dried to give products.

*7-(Dimethyl-2-[bis(phenyloxy)-phosphoryl])-(1,3-dimethyl-purine-2,6-dione)-butanedioate (4a, C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub>P)* Yield: 0.76 g (86%). White powder, M.p.: 293-295 °C. IR (KBr):  $\nu$  = 3062 (C-H), 2900 (C-H), 1711 (OC=O), 1663 (NC=O), 1242 (P=O) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

*7-(Diethyl-2-[bis(phenyloxy)-phosphoryl])-(1,3-dimethyl-purine-2,6-dione)-butanedioate (4b, C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>31</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub>P)* Yield: 0.71 g (82%). White powder, M.p.: 282-284 °C. IR (KBr):  $\nu$  = 3000 (C-H), 2826 (C-H), 1717 (OC=O), 1668 (NC=O), 1242 (P=O) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

*7-(Di-tert-butyl-2-[bis(phenyloxy)-phosphoryl])-(1,3-dimethyl-purine-2,6-dione)-butanedioate* (**4c**, C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>37</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub>P) Yield: 0.74 g (58%). White powder, M.p.: 290-292 °C. IR (KBr):  $\nu$  = 3064 (C-H), 2975 (C-H), 1720 (OC=O), 1668 (NC=O), 1241 (P=O) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

*7-(Dimethyl-2-[bis(methyloxy)-phosphoryl])-(1,3-dimethyl-purine-2,6-dione)-butanedioate* (**4d**, C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub>P) Yield: 0.74 g (86%). White powder, M.p.: 286-288 °C. IR (KBr):  $\nu$  = 3049 (C-H), 2923 (C-H), 1721 (OC=O), 1665 (NC=O), 1242 (P=O) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

*7-(Diethyl-2-[bis(methyloxy)-phosphoryl])-(1,3-dimethyl-purine-2,6-dione)-butanedioate* (**4e**, C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub>P) Yield: 0.67g (73%). White powder, M.p.: 264-266 °C. IR (KBr):  $\nu$  = 3064 (C-H), 2960 (C-H), 1726 (OC=O), 1667 (NC=O), 1241 (P=O) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

*7-(Di-tert-butyl-2-[bis(methyloxy)-phosphoryl])-(1,3-dimethyl-purine-2,6-dione)-butanedioate* (**4f**, C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>33</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub>P) Yield: 0.66 g (64%). White powder, M.p.: 251-253 °C. IR (KBr):  $\nu$  = 3043 (C-H), 2954 (C-H), 1722 (OC=O), 1667 (NC=O), 1238 (P=O) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

*7-(Dimethyl-2-[bis(ethyloxy)-phosphoryl])-(1,3-dimethyl-purine-2,6-dione)-butanedioate* (**4g**, C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub>P) Yield: 0.68g (76%). White powder, M.p.: 276-277 °C. IR (KBr):  $\nu$  = 3057 (C-H), 2977 (C-H), 1717 (OC=O), 1667 (NC=O), 1241 (P=O) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

*7-(Diethyl-2-[bis(ethyloxy)-phosphoryl])-(1,3-dimethyl-purine-2,6-dione)-butanedioate* (**4h**, C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>29</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub>P) Yield: 0.62 g (64%). White powder, M.p.: 283-285 °C. IR (KBr):  $\nu$  = 3064 (C-H), 2975 (C-H), 1716 (OC=O), 1667 (NC=O), 1242 (P=O) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

*7-(Di-tert-butyl-2-[bis(ethyloxy)-phosphoryl])-(1,3-dimethyl-purine-2,6-dione)-butanedioate* (**4i**, C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>37</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub>P) Yield: 0.54 g (50%). White powder, M.p.: 265-267 °C. IR (KBr):  $\nu$  = 3048 (C-H), 2993 (C-H), 1719 (OC=O), 1667 (NC=O), 1241 (P=O) cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**Table S1.** Selected chemical shifts of phosphonates **4** in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> as the solvents (25°C)

		<sup>1</sup> H NMR ( $\delta$ □/ppm)					<sup>2</sup> J <sub>PH</sub> , <sup>3</sup> J <sub>HH</sub> , <sup>3</sup> J <sub>PH</sub> (Hz)	
		2 N-CH <sub>3</sub>	CH-P	N-CH-	2 R	2 R'	N=CH-N	HC-CH-P
<b>4a</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	2.62, 3.19	2.89	5.28	3.40, 3.47	6.7-7.1	7.97	19.8, 7.4, 13.5
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	2.60, 3.01	2.91	5.30	3.31, 3.46	6.7-7.1	7.99	21.8, 7.0, 5.6
<b>4b</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	2.80, 2.91	3.26	5.24	1.23, 1.34, 4.1-4.3	6.7-7.7	8.01	18.6, 7.7, 12.9
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	2.77, 2.85	3.25	5.23	1.24, 1.35, 4.1-4.3	6.7-7.7	7.98	22.1, 8.6, 6.3
<b>4c</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	2.67, 2.88	4.24	5.12	1.2, 1.6	6.9-7.3	7.84	22.3, 6.9, 13.9
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	2.77, 2.91	4.21	5.14	1.3, 1.6	6.9-7.3	7.81	19.4, 8.1, 6.5
<b>4d</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	3.21, 3.29	3.81	5.22	3.41, 3.46	3.51, 3.96	7.99	24.8, 7.7, 9.1
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	3.12, 3.18	3.79	5.20	3.37, 3.44	3.52, 3.93	8.01	20.1, 7.8, 5.9
<b>4e</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	2.88, 3.01	3.61	5.15	1.25, 1.35, 4.1-4.3	3.64, 3.73	7.85	23.2, 8.4, 9.1
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	2.78, 2.96	3.57	5.13	1.23, 1.34, 4.1-4.3	3.58, 3.97	7.89	19.6, 8.0, 6.5
<b>4f</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	2.92, 3.11	3.68	6.18	1.14, 1.22	3.79, 3.83	8.01	22.7, 7.8, 9.2
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	2.88, 3.02	3.66	6.16	1.07, 1.24	3.81, 4.09	7.89	18.9, 6.9, 5.2
<b>4g</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	2.69, 2.83	3.04	5.19	3.90, 4.19	1.01, 1.22, 3.5-3.7	7.99	24.2, 7.6, 13.5
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	2.73, 2.98	3.02	5.16	4.01, 4.17	1.81, 1.20, 3.5-3.7	7.97	20.0, 5.3, 6.3
<b>4h</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	2.85, 3.03	3.33	5.70	0.99, 1.21, 3.4-3.9	1.61, 1.71, 3.4-3.9	8.02	21.3, 7.9, 14.3
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	2.77, 2.99	3.21	5.73	1.10, 1.24, 3.4-3.9	1.52, 1.77, 3.4-3.9	8.00	19.7, 6.1, 5.9
<b>4i</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	2.69, 2.94	3.26	5.23	0.91, 1.41	1.11, 1.21, 3.3-3.8	8.01	23.8, 8.1, 12.1
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	2.76, 2.91	3.25	5.21	1.27, 1.40	1.20, 1.42, 3.3-3.8	7.98	20.2, 6.3, 5.1

**Table S2.** Selected chemical shifts ( $\delta$ /ppm) of phosphonates **4** in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub> as the solvents (25°C)

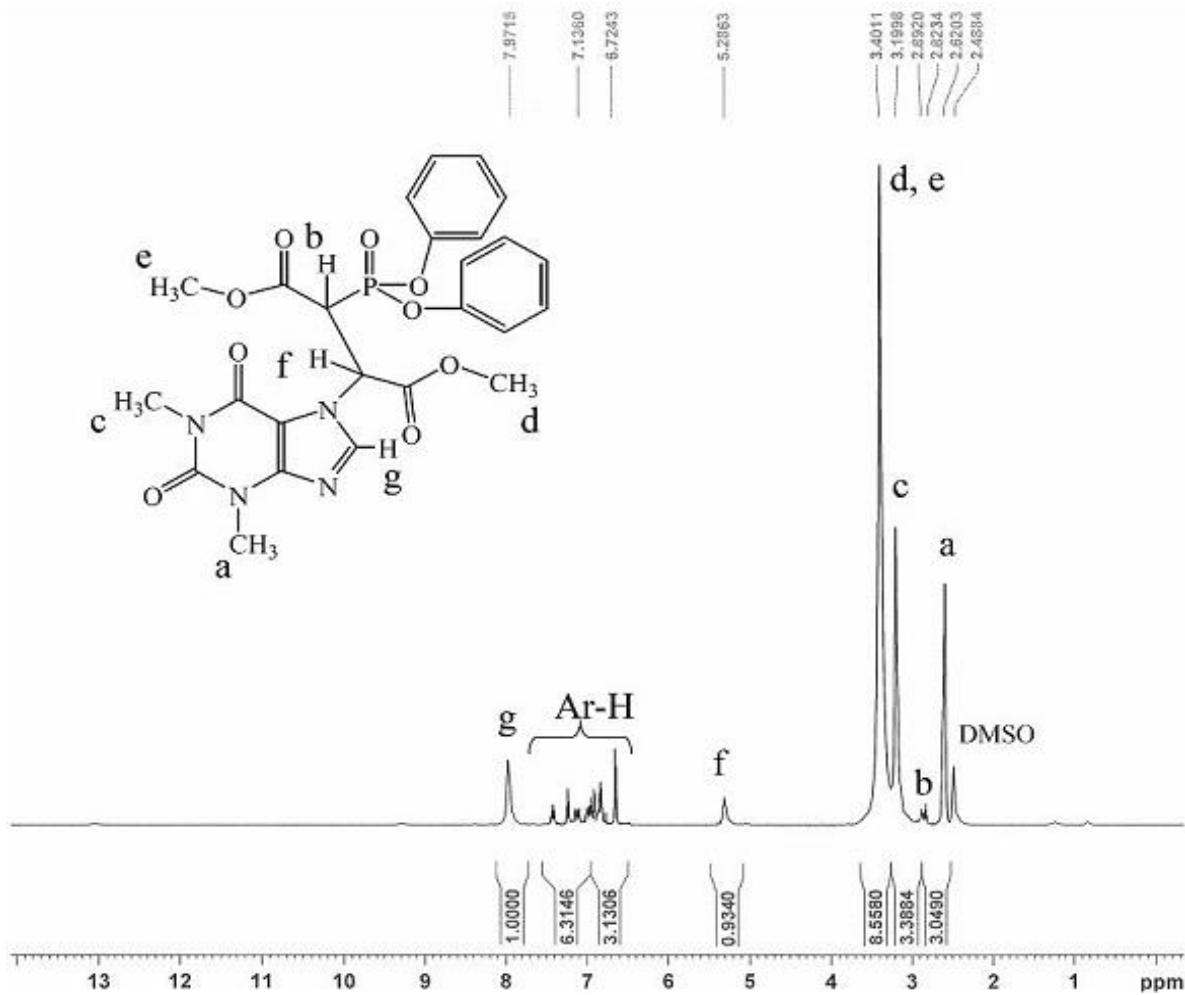
		<sup>13</sup> C NMR									<sup>1</sup> J <sub>PC</sub> (Hz)	<sup>31</sup> P NMR
		<b>2 N-CH<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>C-P</b>	<b>N-CH-</b>	<b>2 C-OC</b>	<b>2 C-O-P</b>	<b>N=C</b>	<b>2 NC=O</b>	<b>2 OC=O</b>	<b>C=C-N</b>	<b>C-P</b>	<b>C-P</b>
<b>4a</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	27.7, 29.7	31.1	50.0	50.1, 52.3	114-142	140.4	147.8, 151.2	169.9, 170.0	106.3	136	9.9
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	27.8, 29.7	32.2	50.2	49.9, 51.4	115-140	140.4	147.8, 151.2	168.7, 170.2	106.3	136	11.7
<b>4b</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	27.7, 29.8	34.0	54.4	54.5, 56.3	119-140	144.0	146.2, 150.1	168.0, 169.0	107.1	123	9.5
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	27.8, 29.7	35.1	54.5	54.6, 57.0	119-140	144.1	146.3, 150.2	168.1, 169.1	107.3	122	11.2
<b>4c</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	27.3, 29.4	33.3	53.7	74.1, 78.3	117-141	147.6	150.9, 151.5	164.3, 170.2	106.3	129	9.6
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	27.4, 29.7	33.4	53.8	74.2, 81.2	117-141	147.5	151.2, 151.6	166.4, 170.3	106.2	134	10.9
<b>4d</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	28.6, 29.6	32.2	50.1	49.4, 51.3	51.8, 52.8	138.4	147.2, 147.8	161.4, 167.5	104.3	131	9.9
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	28.1, 29.0	32.8	50.4	50.2, 51.5	51.9, 53.5	138.8	147.5, 147.7	161.5, 167.9	104.5	131	10.6
<b>4e</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	27.0, 29.1	32.4	50.1	53.1, 55.7	57.3, 58.8	140.9	146.8, 147.3	161.4, 167.8	106.7	129	9.8
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	27.3, 29.5	32.6	50.5	52.6, 53.7	56.3, 58.1	141.9	145.8, 147.8	161.9, 167.9	106.8	130	10.7
<b>4f</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	27.6, 29.6	32.2	50.1	51.3, 51.8	82.1, 84.3	140.4	147.6, 147.8	161.1, 167.3	106.3	131	10.0
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	27.7, 29.7	31.2	50.3	51.5, 52.4	82.3, 84.5	140.5	147.7, 147.9	164.2, 167.8	106.4	131	11.9
<b>4g</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	27.2, 28.7	32.4	50.2	55.1, 56.7	57.6, 58.8	141.9	146.8, 147.8	161.9, 166.8	106.9	129	9.8
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	27.6, 28.7	32.1	50.4	52.7, 53.7	56.9, 57.8	141.1	147.4, 147.8	161.3, 167.2	106.3	131	11.0
<b>4h</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	27.8, 28.9	32.4	51.1	53.4, 53.8	54.6, 55.9	141.4	147.1, 147.9	161.5, 166.2	106.5	131	9.6
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	27.6, 28.7	32.0	51.6	53.2, 54.8	55.3, 56.8	140.8	147.3, 147.5	162.5, 166.7	106.2	130	10.2
<b>4i</b>	(2S, 3R) or (2R, 3S)	27.8, 29.3	32.6	50.1	52.3, 53.8	82.3, 84.9	140.0	147.1, 148.2	160.6, 167.0	106.5	130	9.8
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	26.6, 26.7	32.3	50.4	52.6, 53.9	82.0, 84.7	140.6	147.5, 148.9	160.3, 167.3	106.2	130	9.4

**Table S3.** The relative energies ( $\Delta E$ ) and dihedral angles for the structures compared to those diastereomers at B3LYP/6-311+G\* level of theory.

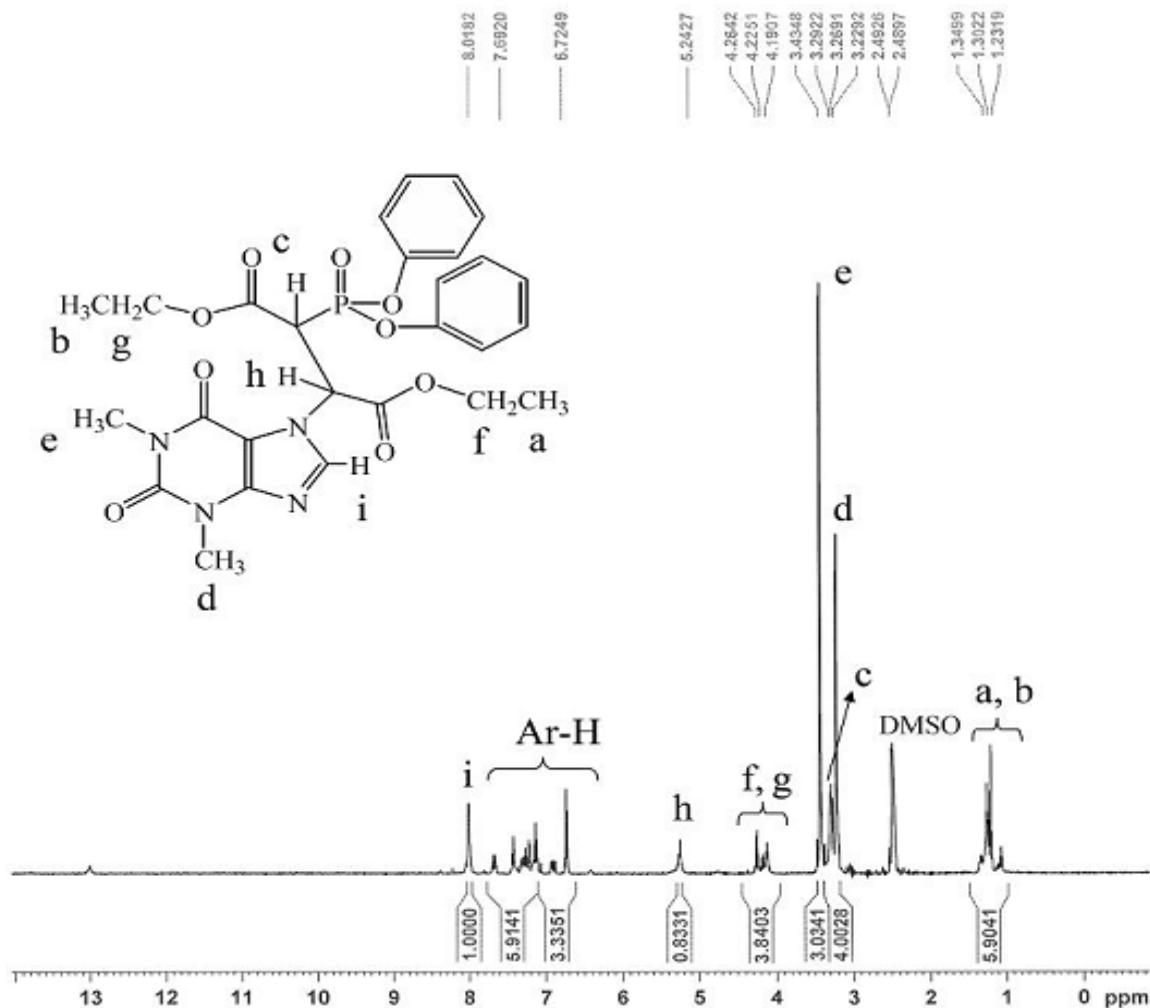
Compound	Dihedral angle (Degree) H-C-C-H		$(\Delta E)$ (Kcal/mol)	
	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	(2R, 3S) or (2S, 3R)	(2R, 3R) or (2S, 3S)	(2R, 3S) or (2S, 3R)
<i>4a</i>	56.8	176.8	(0.00)	(22.17)
<i>4b</i>	83.8	176.9	(0.00)	(27.43)
<i>4c</i>	64.9	173.5	(0.00)	(24.77)
<i>4d</i>	174.9	69.8	(0.00)	(15.81)
<i>4e</i>	176.3	70.6	(0.00)	(18.48)
<i>4f</i>	173.3	70.1	(0.00)	(24.38)
<i>4g</i>	168.4	91.2	(0.00)	(25.40)
<i>4h</i>	166.1	74.0	(0.00)	(26.67)
<i>4i</i>	173.1	71.0	(0.00)	(27.69)

## Original $^1\text{H}$ NMR spectrum

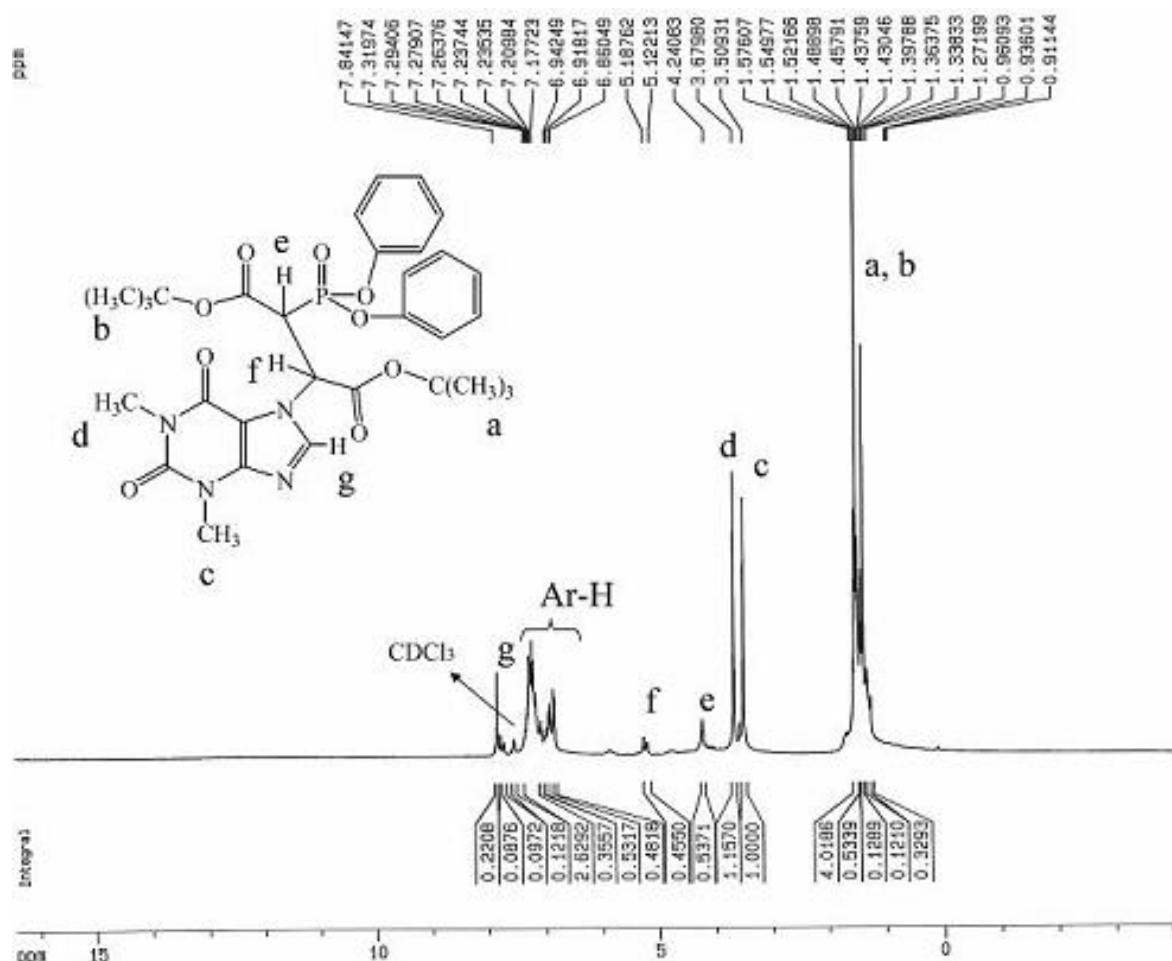
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(4a, C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub>P)



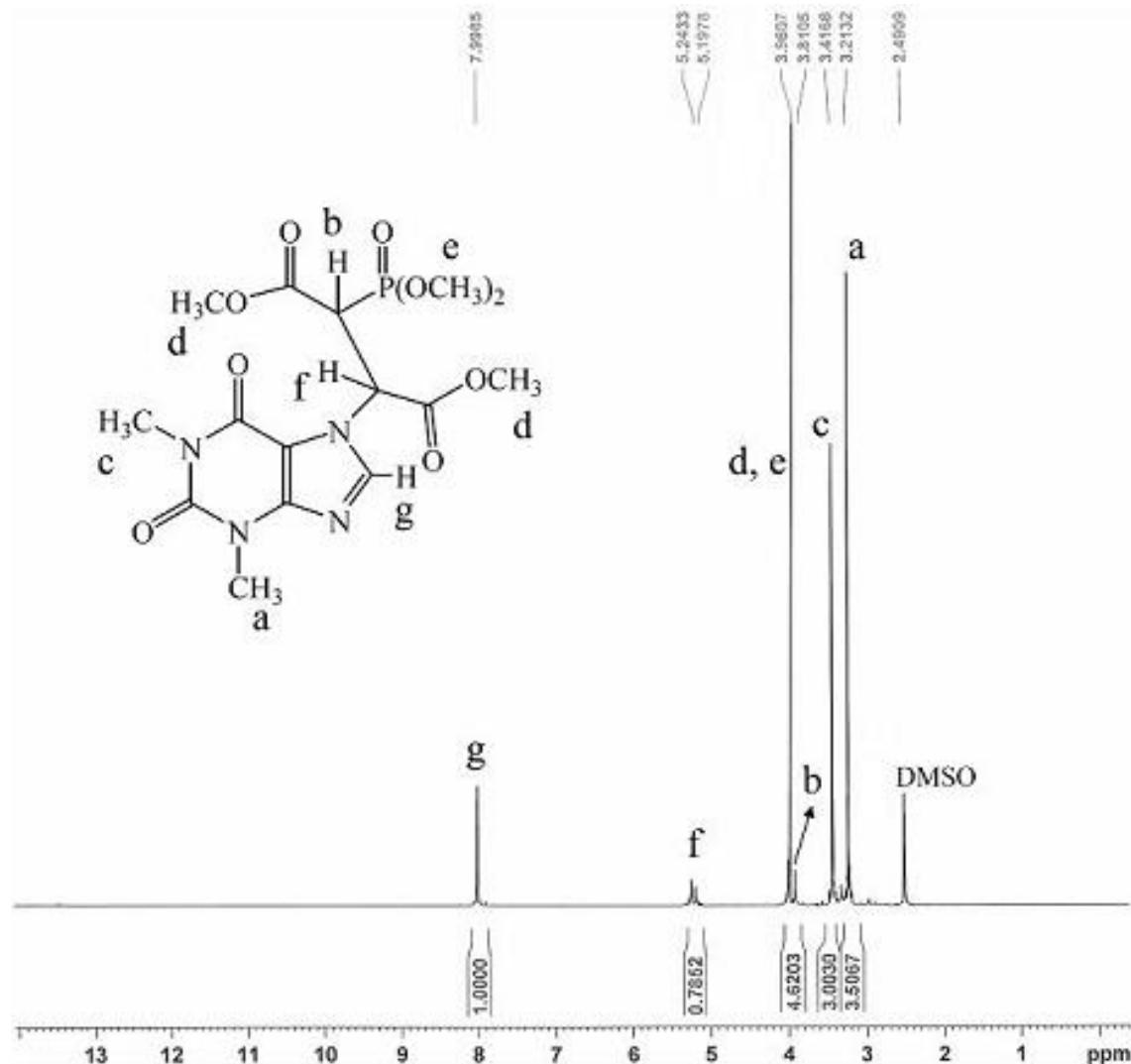
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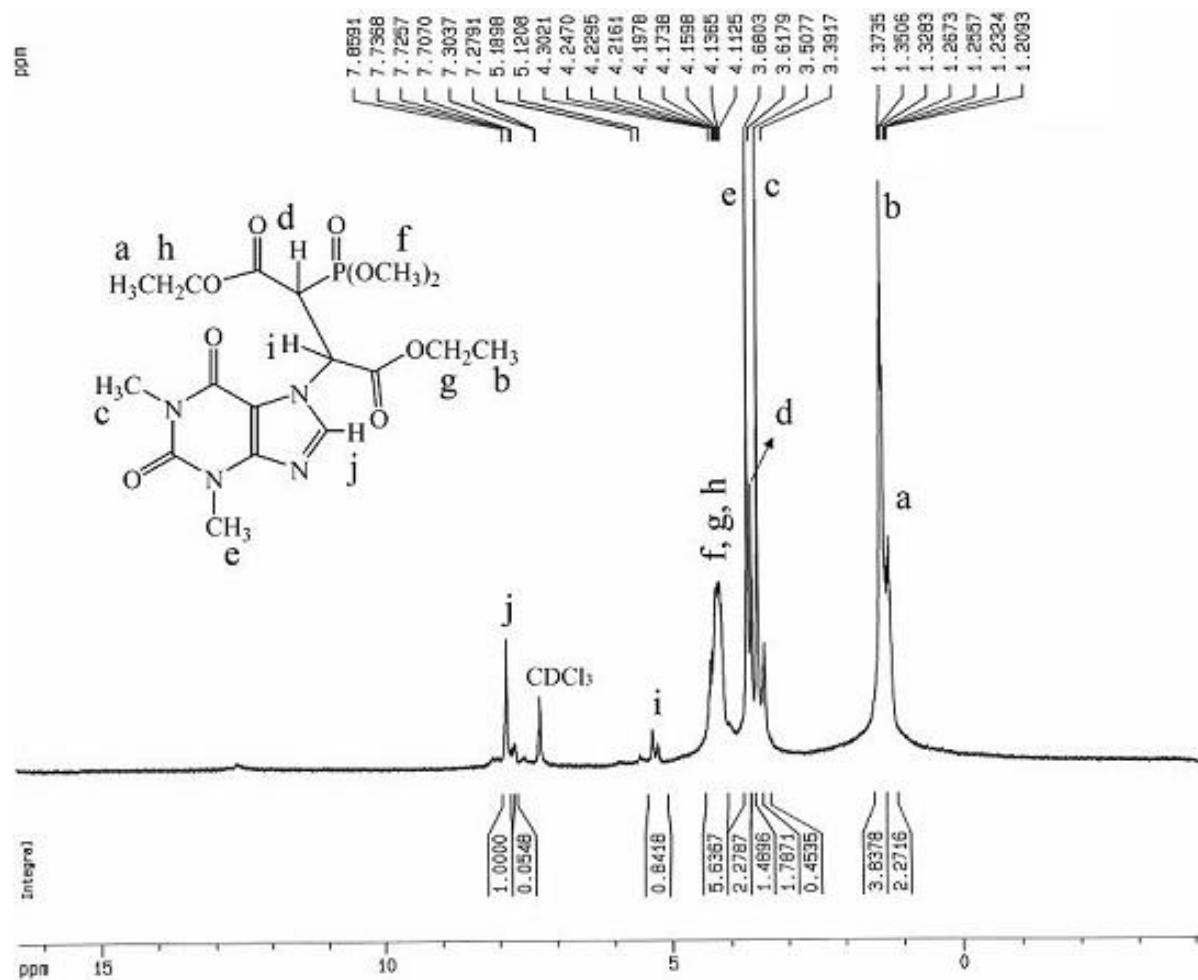
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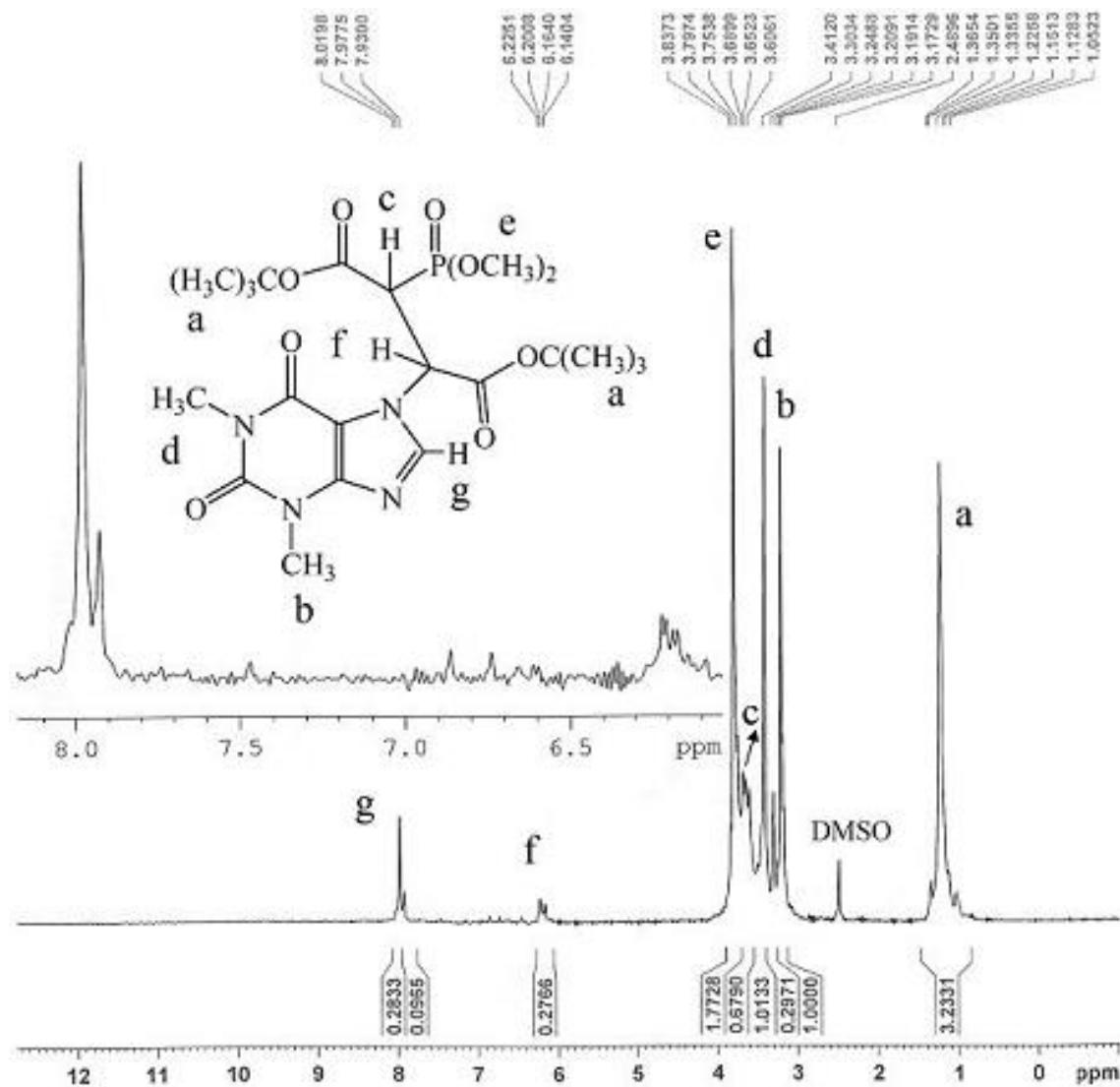
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**(4d, C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub>P)**



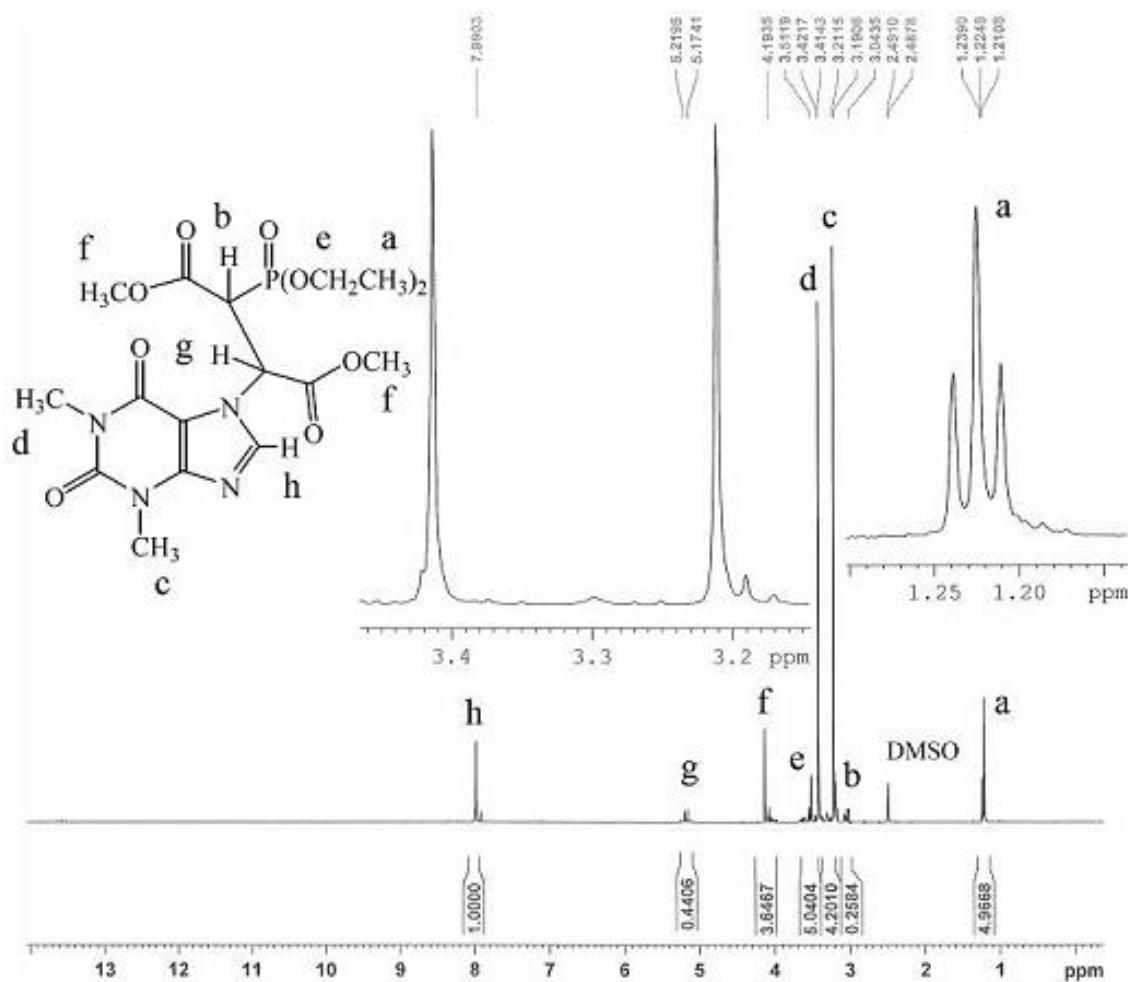
5. 7-(Diethyl-2-[bis(methoxy)-phosphoryl])-(1,3-dimethyl-purine-2,6-dione)-butanedioate  
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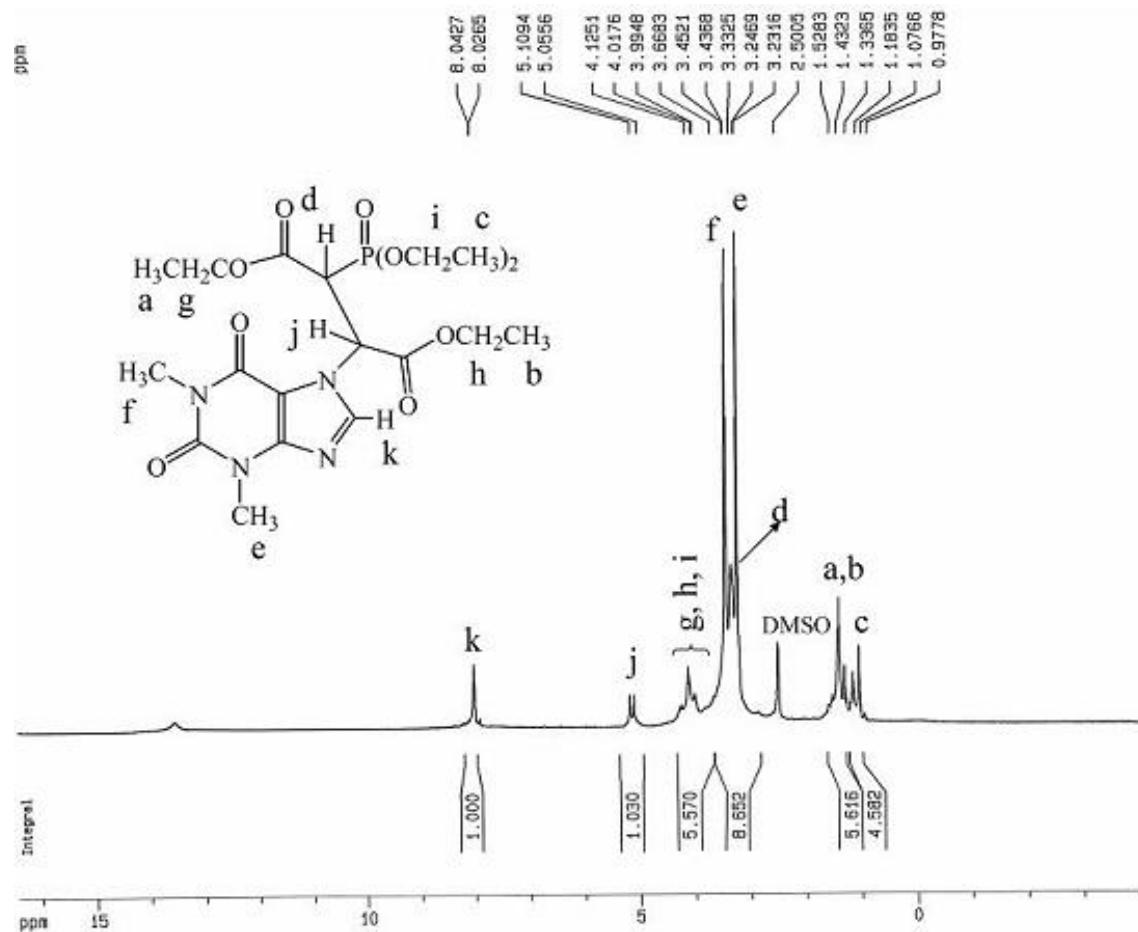
6. *7-(Di-tert-butyl-2-[bis(methoxy)-phosphoryl])-1,3-dimethyl-purine-2,6-dione-butanedioate* (**4f**, C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>33</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>9</sub>P)



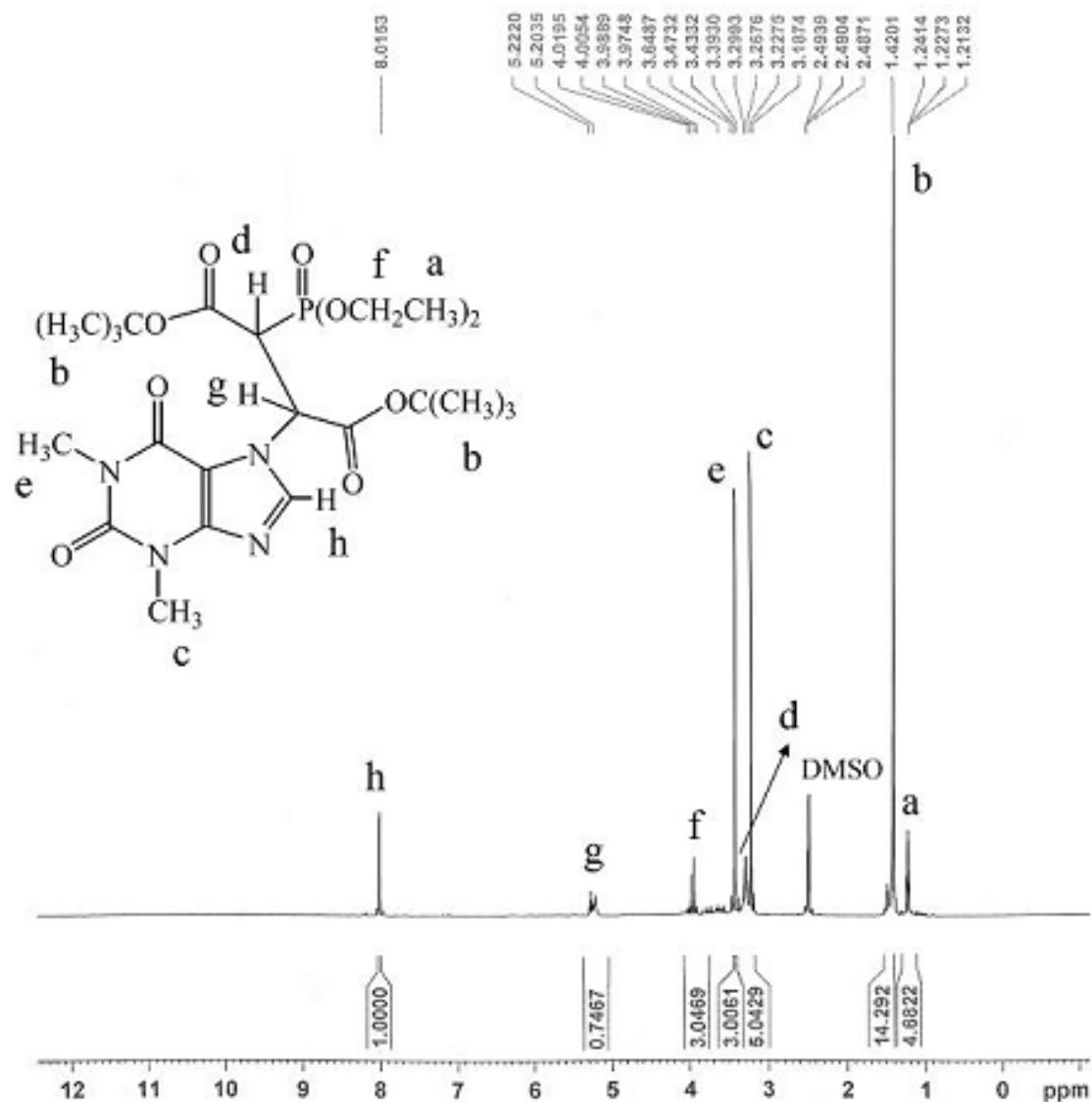
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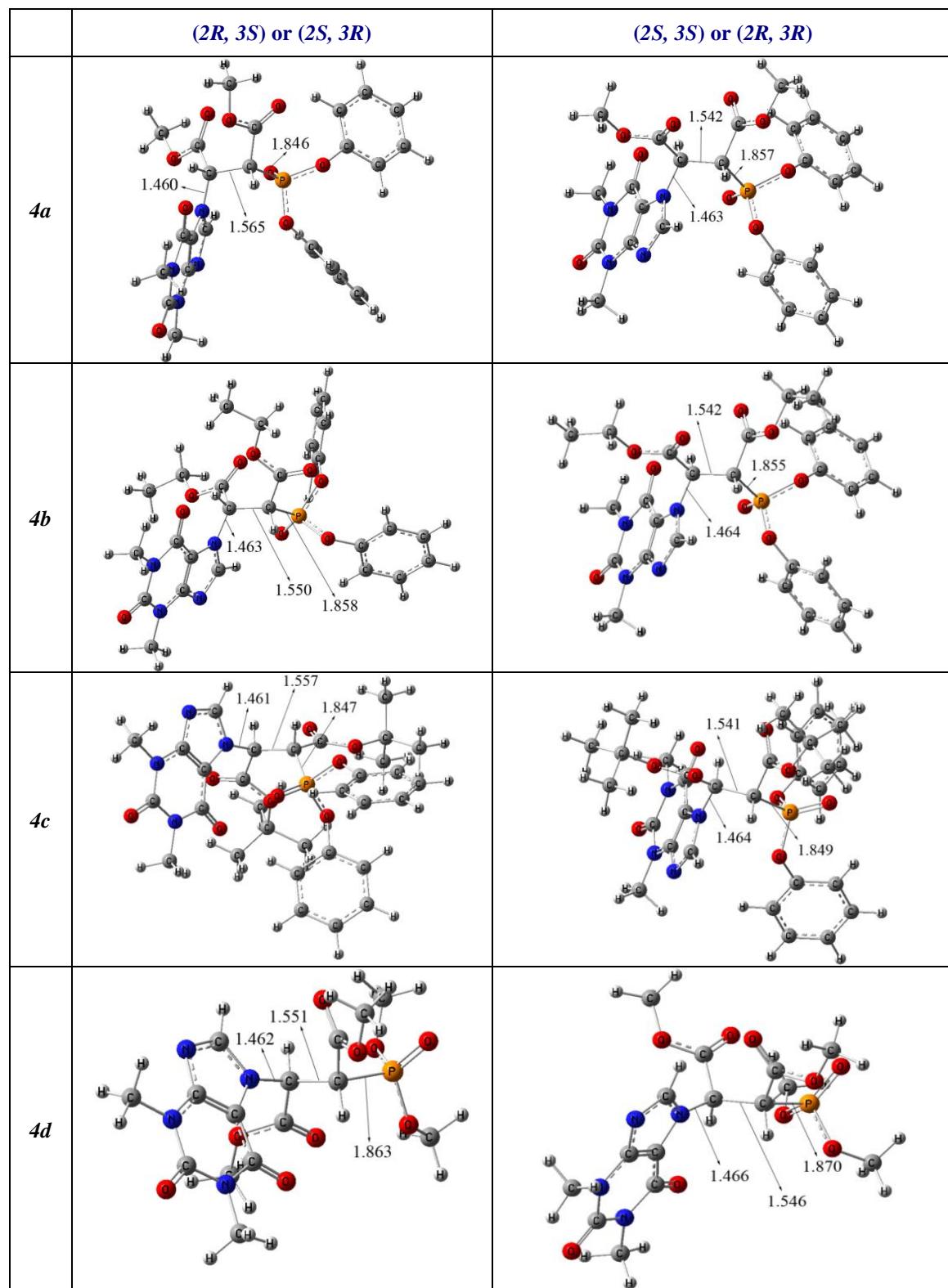
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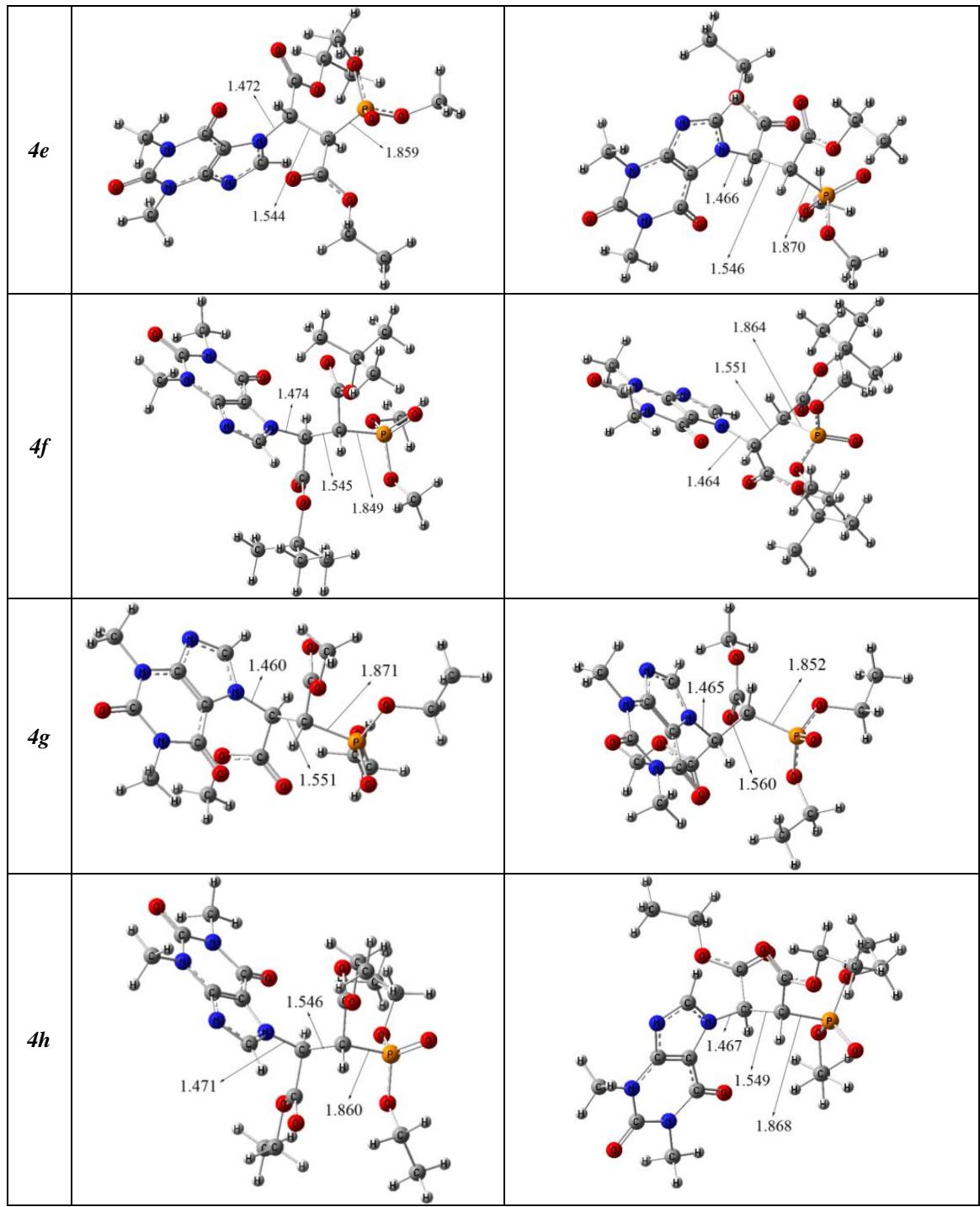


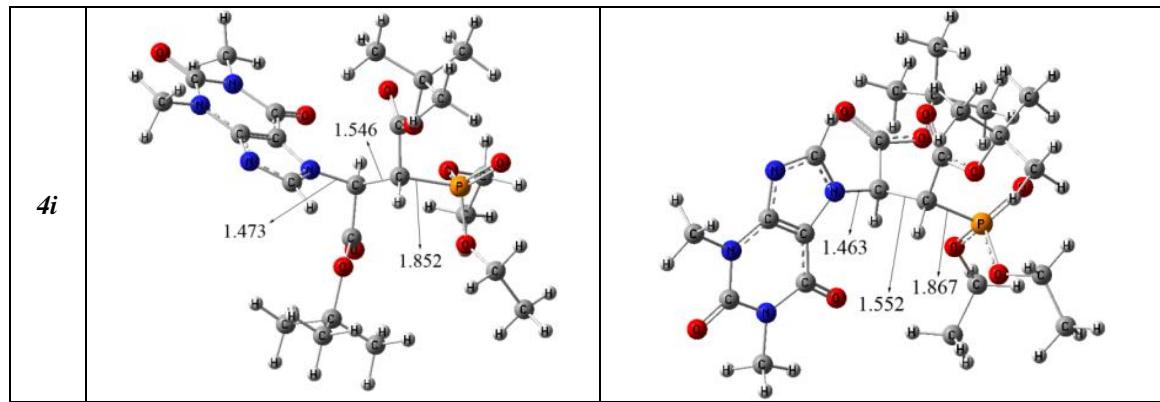
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**Table S4.** Optimized calculated structures (bond length/ $\text{\AA}$ ) of diastereomeric phosphonates **4**







**Table S5.** Results of C, H, N Analyses for phosphonates **4**.

<i>Formala</i>		<i>Calculated (%)</i>			<i>Found(%)</i>		
		C	H	N	C	H	N
<b>4a</b>	C <sub>25</sub> H <sub>25</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>9</sub> P	53.96	4.53	10.07	54.02	4.60	10.11
<b>4b</b>	C <sub>27</sub> H <sub>31</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>9</sub> P	55.48	5.00	9.58	55.39	5.03	9.62
<b>4c</b>	C <sub>31</sub> H <sub>37</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>9</sub> P	58.12	5.82	8.75	58.20	5.77	8.71
<b>4d</b>	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>21</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>9</sub> P	41.67	4.90	12.96	41.71	4.95	13.02
<b>4e</b>	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>25</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>9</sub> P	44.35	5.47	12.17	44.30	5.44	12.22
<b>4f</b>	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>33</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>9</sub> P	48.84	6.44	10.85	48.61	6.31	10.77
<b>4g</b>	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>25</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>9</sub> P	44.35	5.47	12.17	44.10	5.23	12.32
<b>4h</b>	C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>29</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>9</sub> P	46.72	5.98	11.47	46.61	5.88	11.55
<b>4i</b>	C <sub>23</sub> H <sub>37</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>9</sub> P	50.73	6.85	10.29	50.78	6.77	10.22