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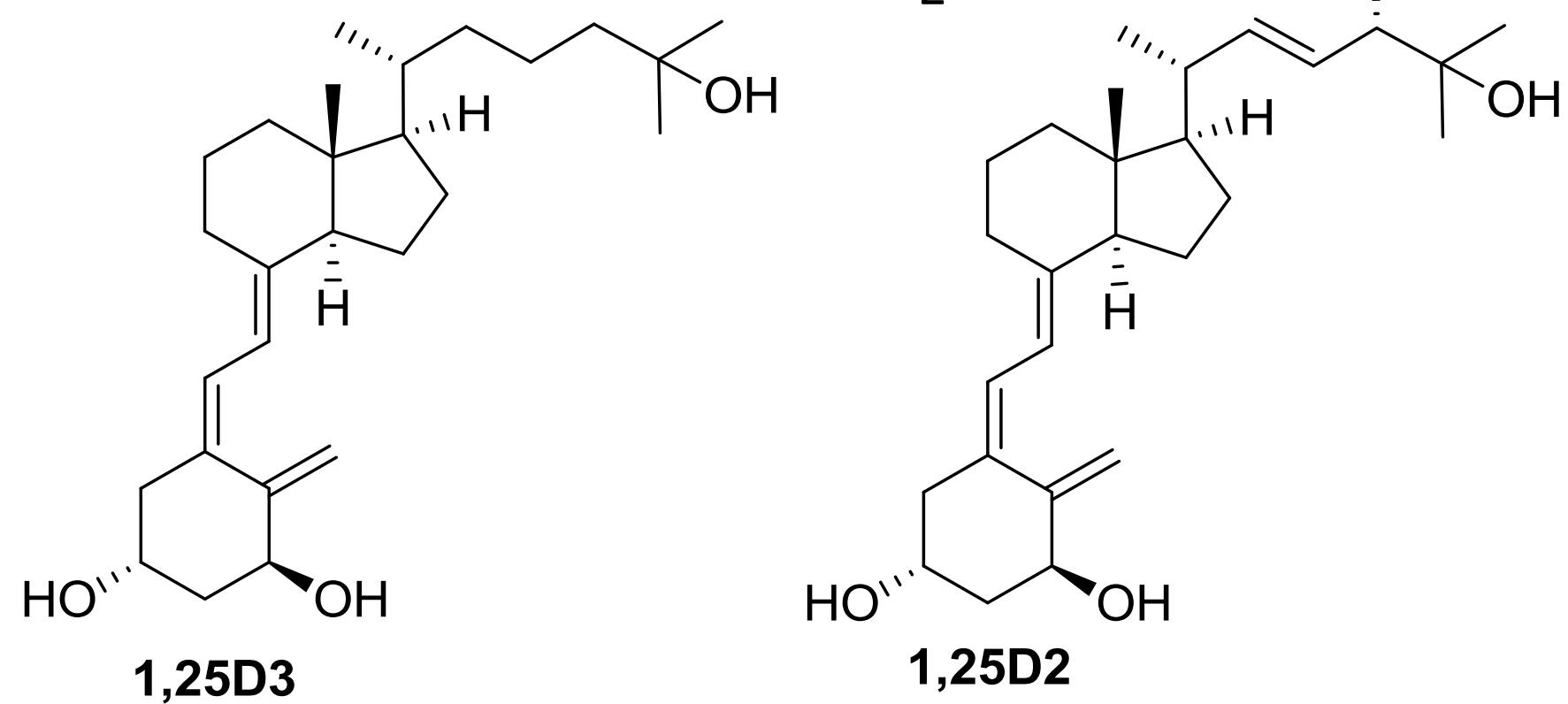
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## Introduction

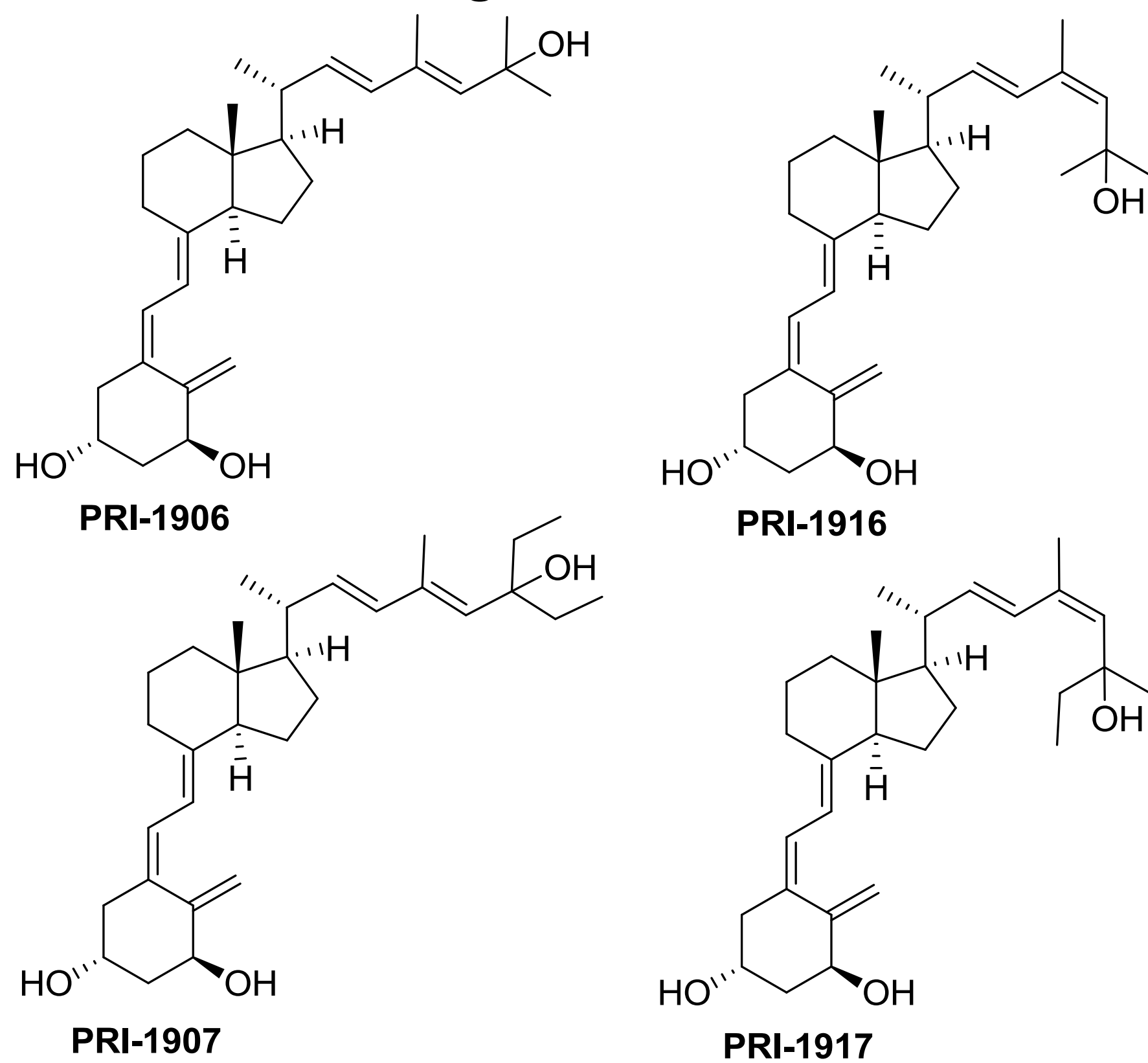
- To understand the complexity of mechanism of functions of vitamin D numerous laboratories have endeavoured studies over several decades.
- This has been driven by interests to find analogues with selective activity as therapeutics against cancer, cardiovascular and immune diseases. In this regard we pursued the design and synthesis and biological evaluation of 1,25D<sub>2</sub> analogues.
- An improved synthetic strategy was developed for previously obtained PRI-1906 and PRI-1907. 24(Z) isomers PRI-1916 and PRI-1917 were also obtained and identified.

## Design

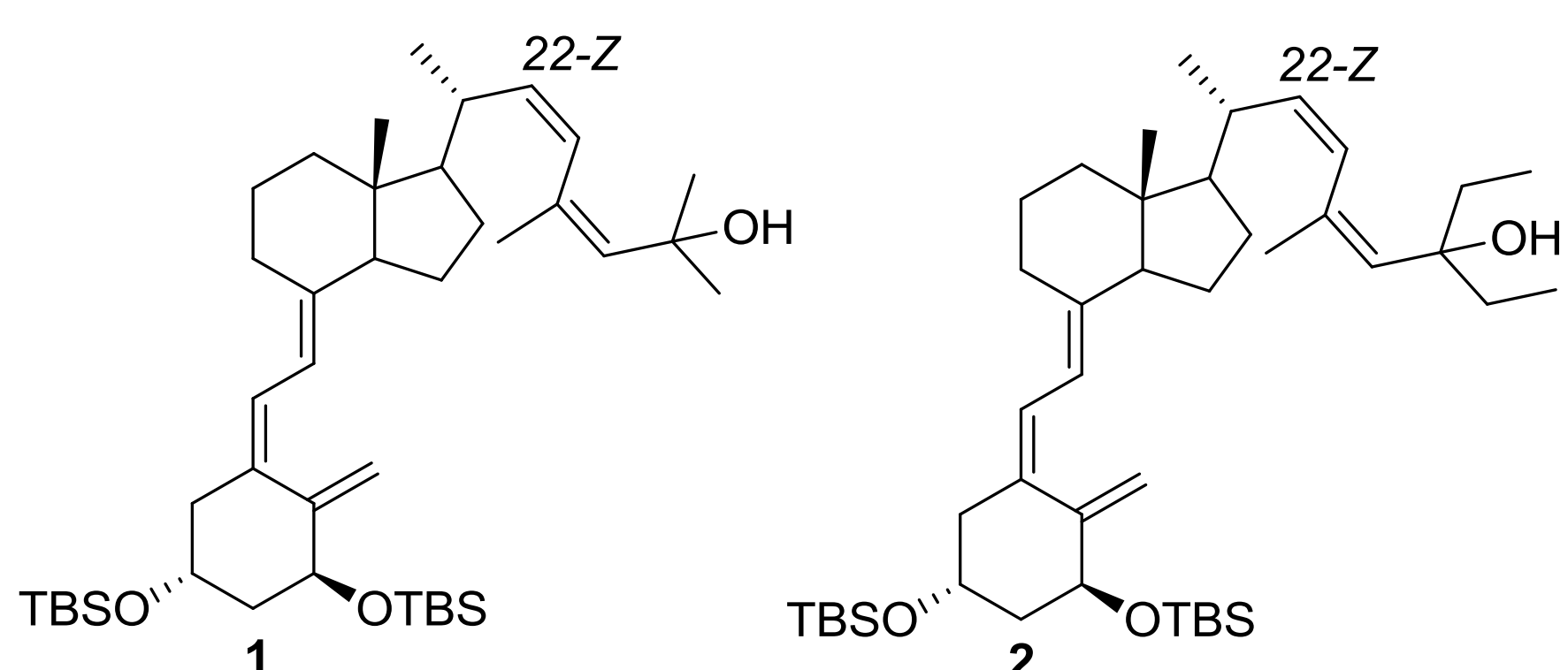
Structures of 1 $\alpha$ ,25-dihydroxyvitamin D<sub>3</sub> and 1 $\alpha$ ,25-dihydroxyvitamin D<sub>2</sub>



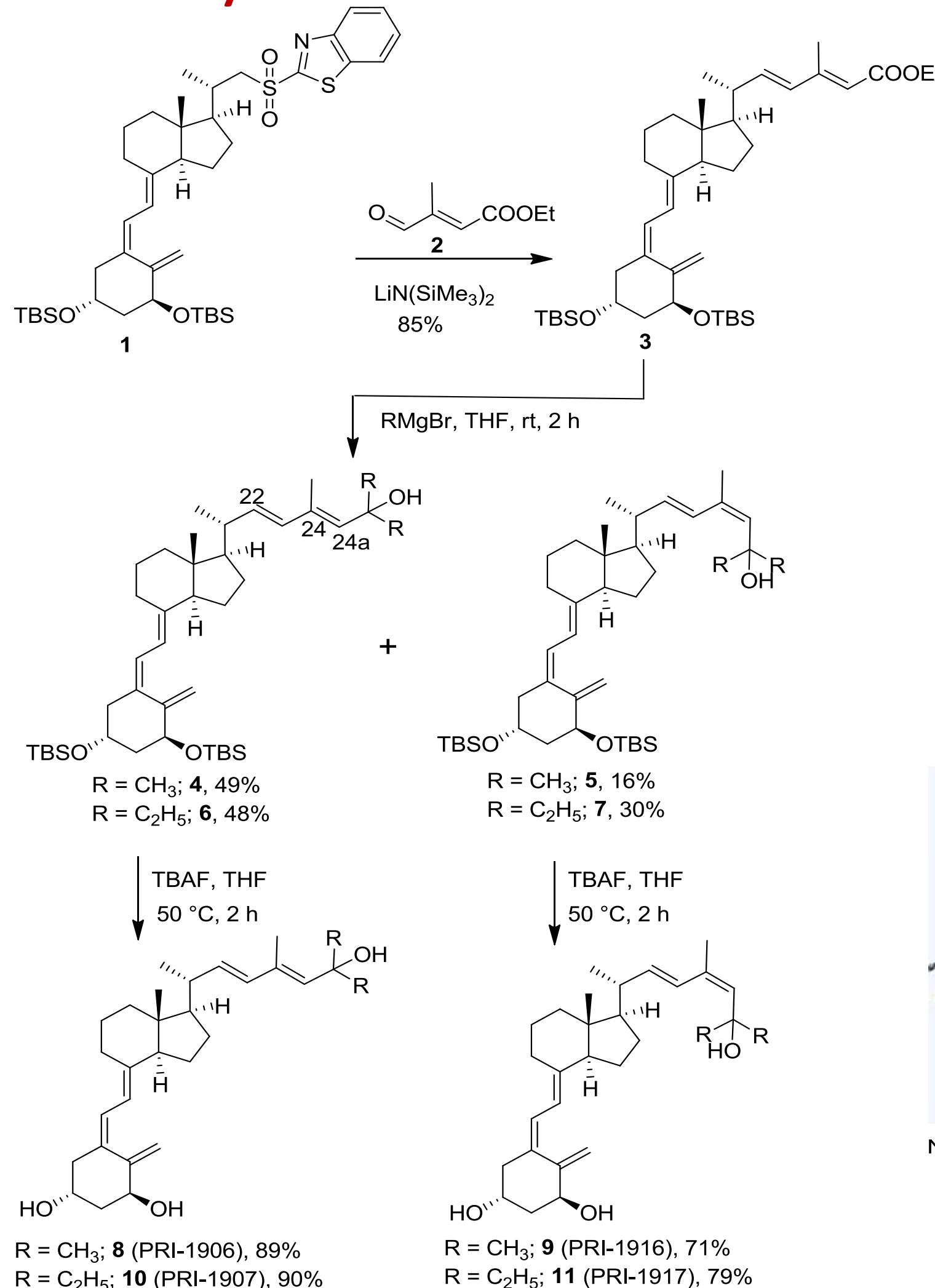
Structures of side-chain homologated and unsaturated analogues of 1,25-D<sub>2</sub>.



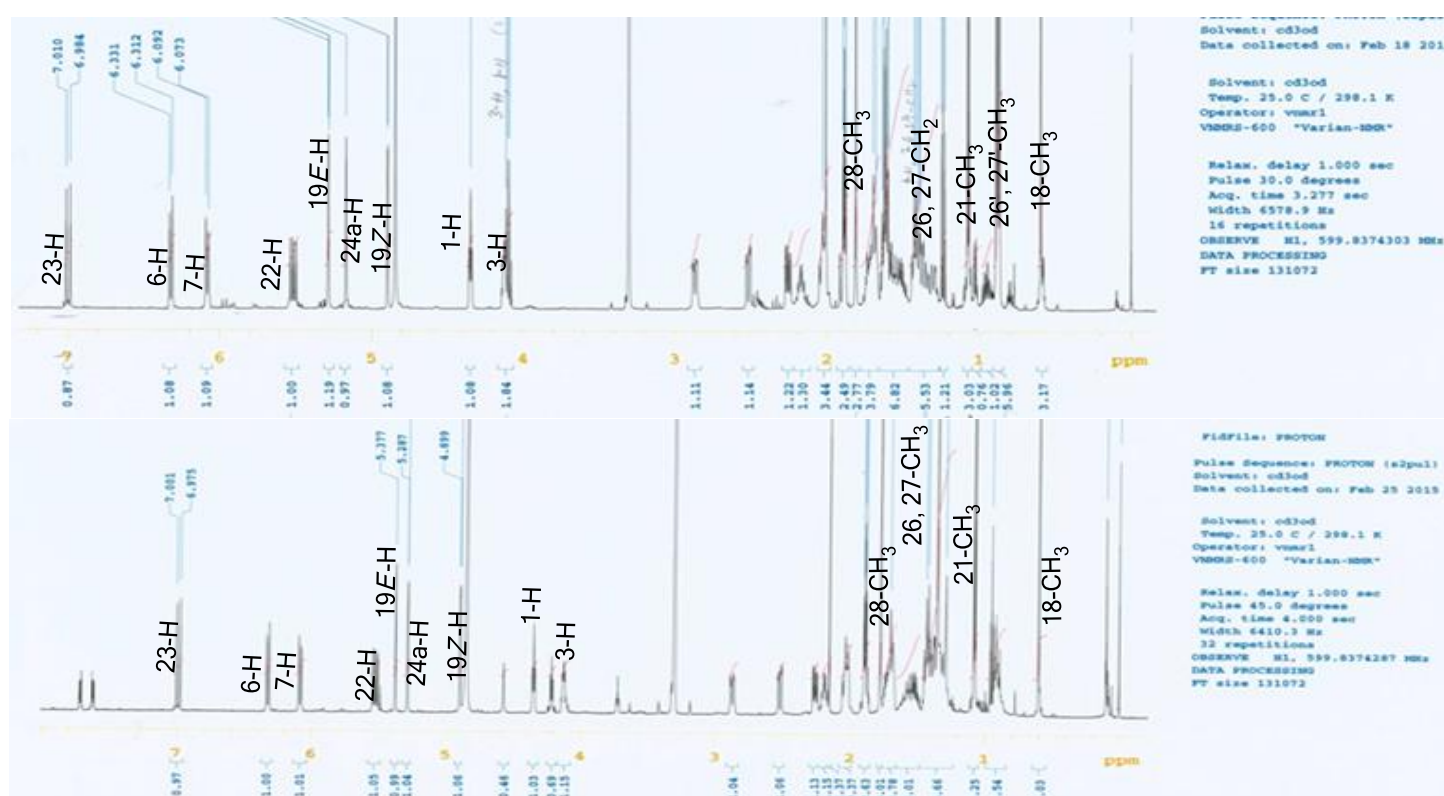
Hypothetical structures of 22Z-analogs



## Synthetic scheme

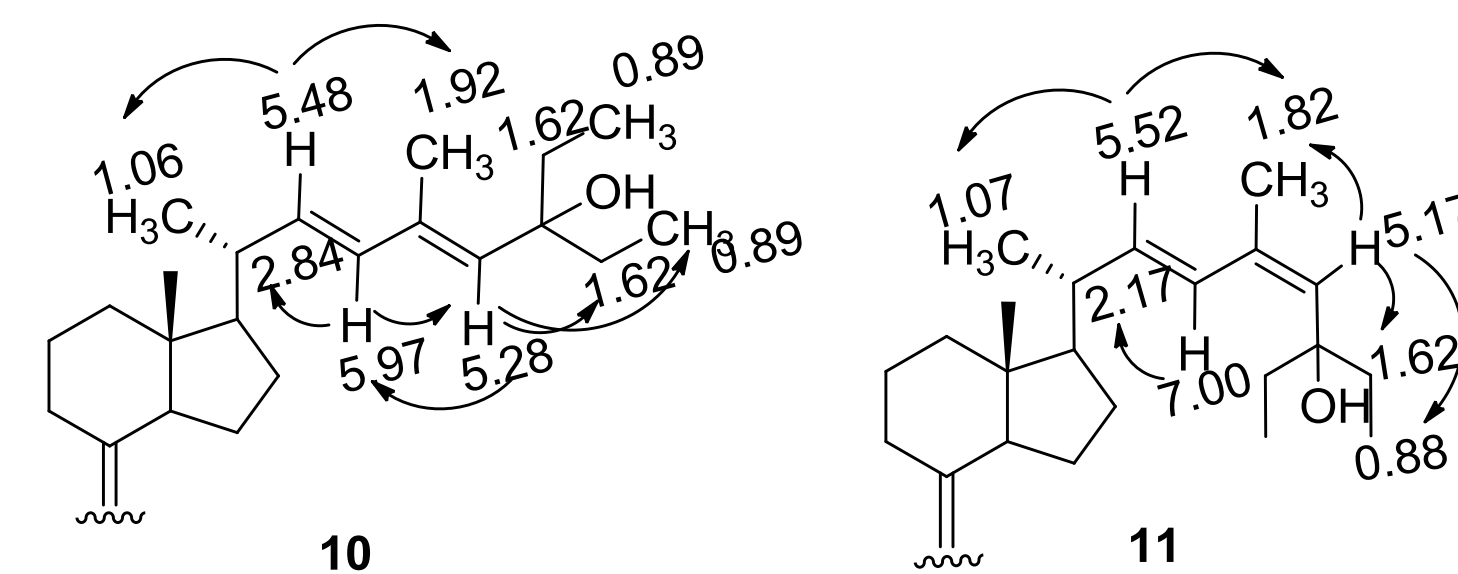


600 MHz-NMR spectra of PRI-1916 and PRI-1917

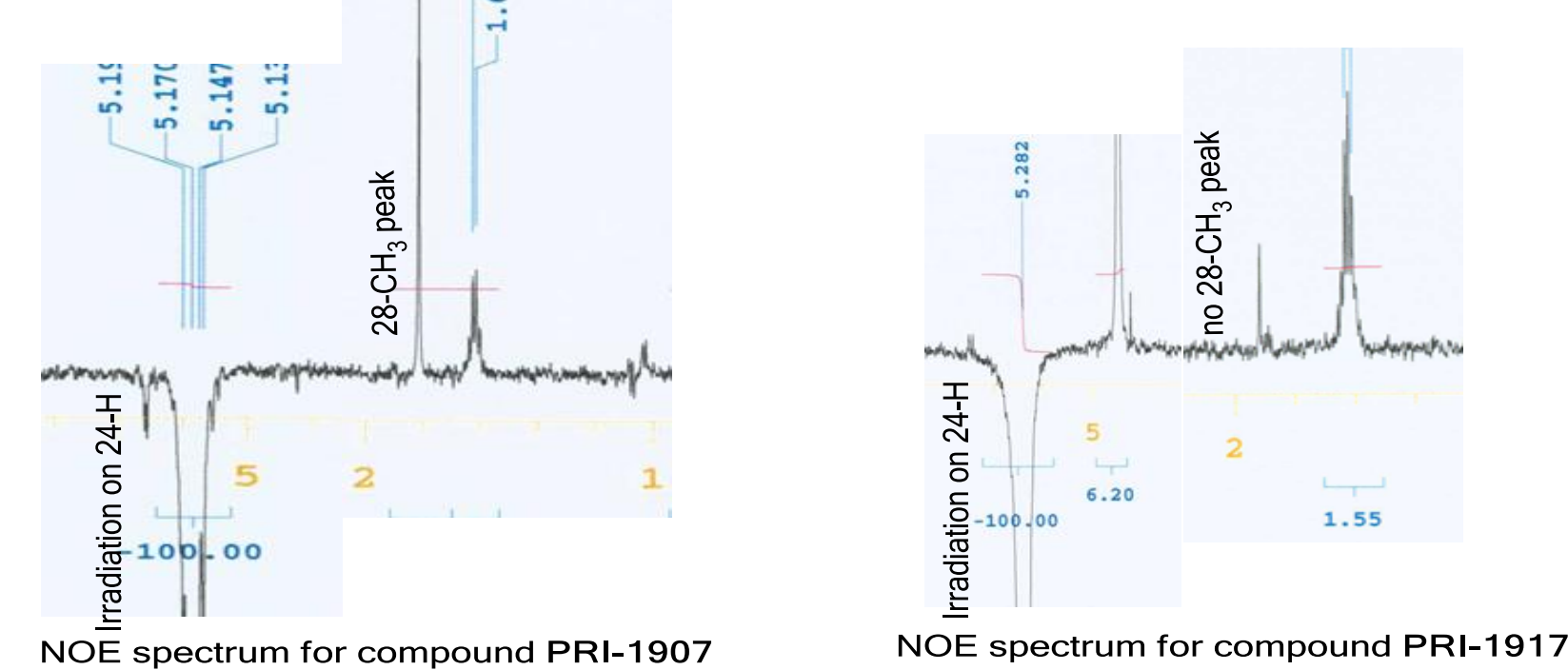


## Characterisation

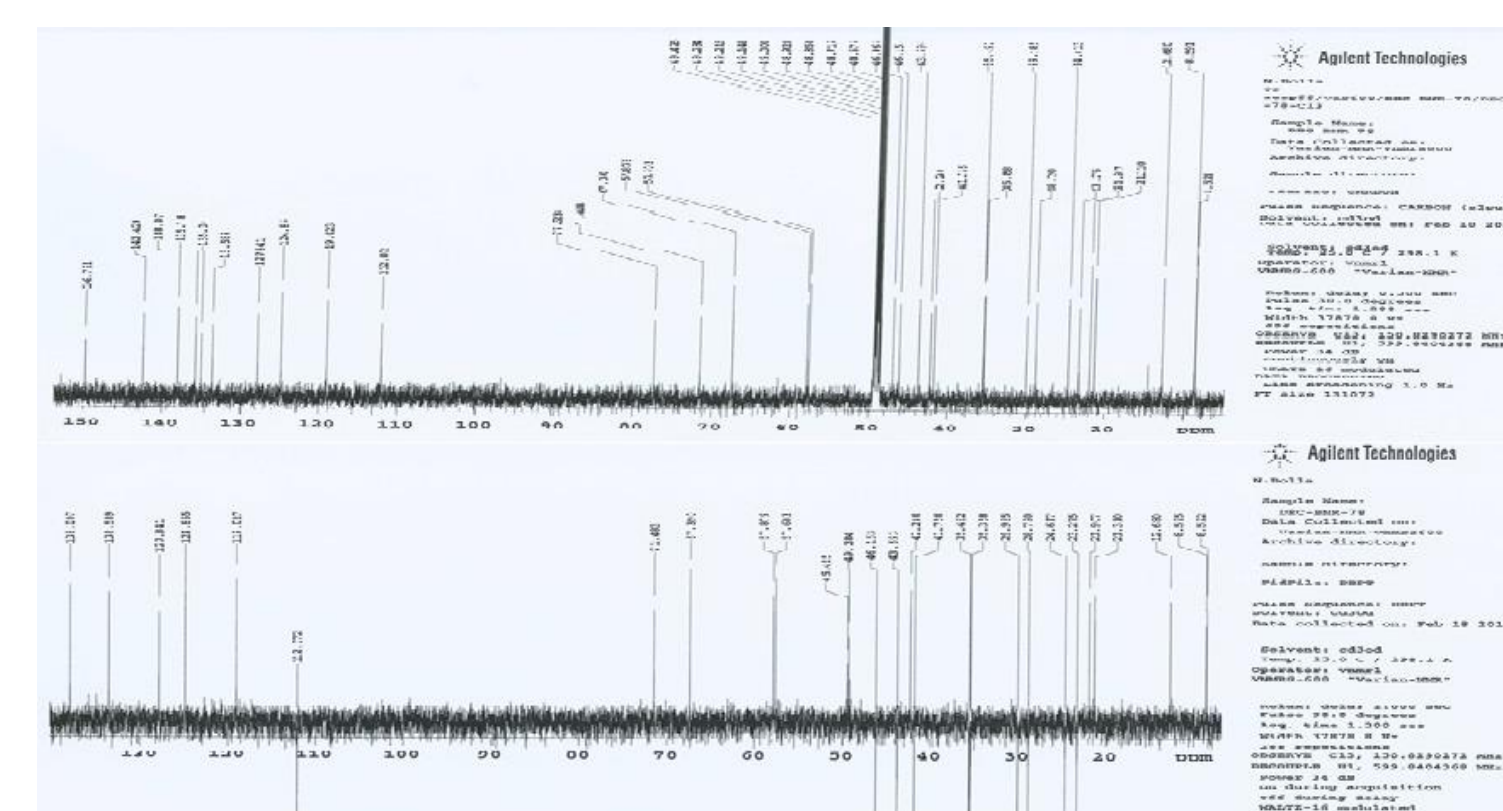
NOE NMR experimental proof for the new structures



600 MHz-<sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectra showing NOE effects



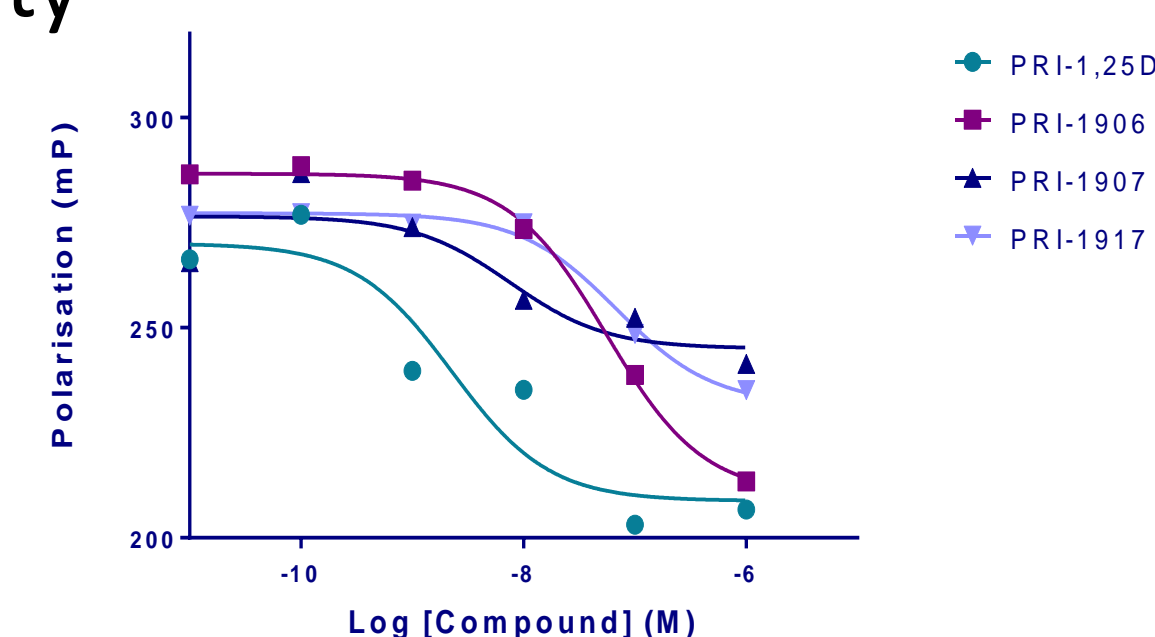
600 MHz <sup>13</sup>C and DEPT NMR spectra of PRI-1917



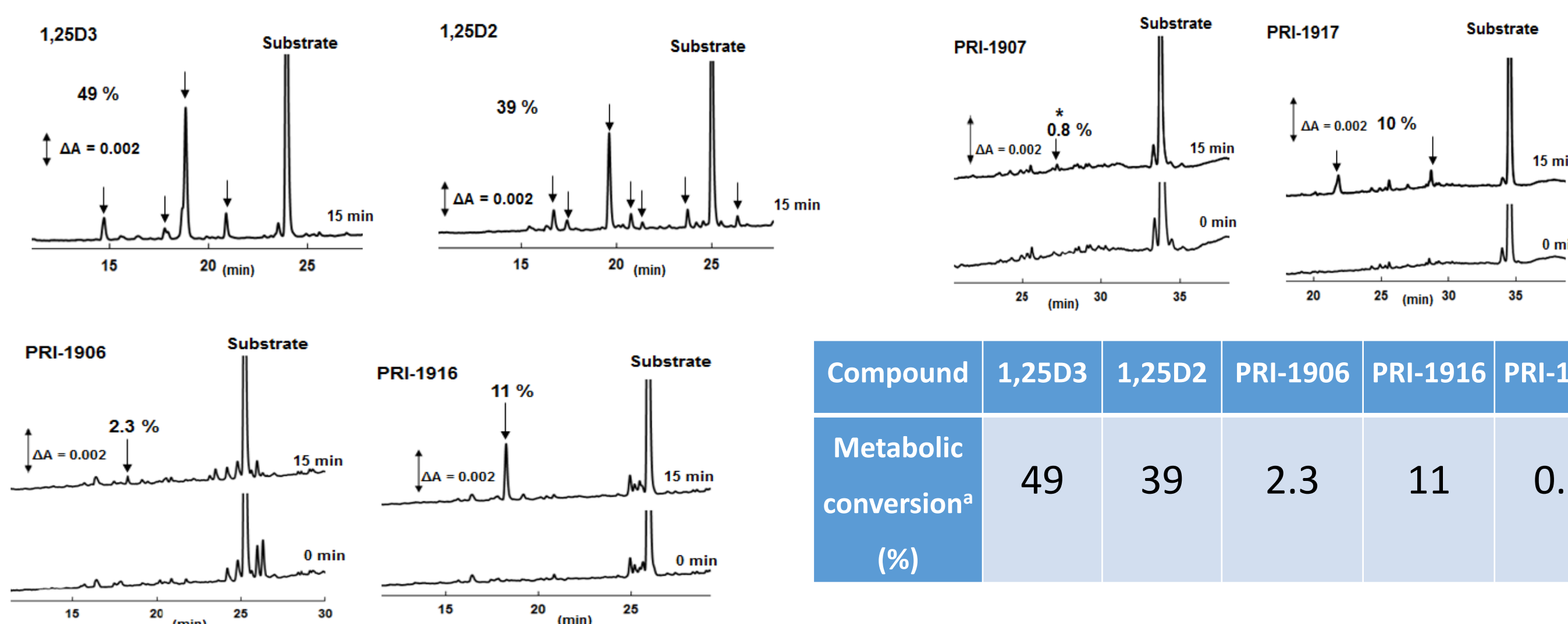
## Biological evaluation

Human VDR binding affinity

Compound	1,25D <sub>3</sub>	PRI-1906	PRI-1916	PRI-1907	PRI-1917
IC <sub>50</sub>	2.232e-09	5.561e-08	6.048e-09	6.172e-09	6.848e-08
Relative binding affinity <sup>a</sup>	100	4	37	38	3



Metabolic resistance of analogs to CYP24A1



Compound	1,25D <sub>3</sub>	1,25D <sub>2</sub>	PRI-1906	PRI-1916	PRI-1907	PRI-1917
Metabolic conversion <sup>a</sup> (%)	49	39	2.3	11	0.8	10

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