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Rapid On-demand Synthesis of Lomustine under Continuous Flow Conditions

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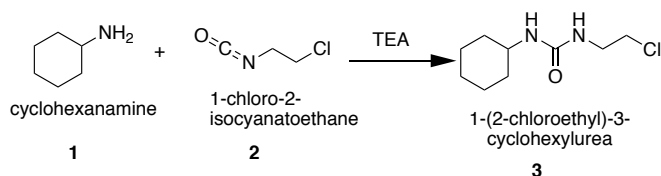
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General Information

DESI-MS Analysis

The DESI-MS evaluation was done following the previously published method of Wleklinski *et al*^[1] except that the density of reaction spots was 1536 spots/plate instead of 6144/plate using reagents that were pipetted into standard polypropylene 384-well plates using a liquid handling robot (Biomek i7; Beckman-Coulter, US). DESI-MS slides were fabricated from porous PTFE sheets (EMD, Millipore Fluoropore, Saint-Gobain) glued onto a glass support (Foxy Life Sciences). The PTFE sheet was cut with scissors and bonded to the glass slides using spray adhesive (Scotch Spray mount). No signs of interference from the glue was observed. The reagents were mixed at 1:1 stoichiometry in various solvents (EtOAc, THF, DMSO, Toluene, ACN, DCM, EtOH and MeOH) and rhodamine B dye was added to some wells of the plate as a fiducial marker. After the reagents were mixed, 50 nL of the reactions were deposited onto a porous PTFE surface at 1,536 spot density using a magnetic pin tool equipped with slotted transfer pins. DESI-MS data was acquired using a linear ion trap mass spectrometer (LTQ XL; Thermo Scientific, San Jose, CA) equipped with a commercial DESI-imaging source (DESI 2D source, Prosolia Inc., Indianapolis, IN). The instrument was controlled using Xcalibur v. 4.0 software to run worklists for DESI-MS data acquisition. The DESI spray angle was 55° using MeOH as spray solvent, and with an applied voltage of 5kV. Mass spectra were acquired at the positive ion mode over the *m/z* range of 50-500. The DESI-MS imaging lateral resolution was 350 µm. This was achieved using stage speed of 4,376 µm/sec and the instrument scan time of 80 ms. For data processing, data were visualized using an in-house software designed^[1] to automatically search for the *m/z* values of reactants, intermediates, and lomustine fragments to generate a YES/NO visualization output for each spot in the PTFE plate imaged by DESI-MS. Data files also were combined into .img files using Firefly software (Prosolia Inc., Indianapolis, IN). Ion images were plotted using BioMAP (Novartis, freeware). The expected *m/z* values for the lomustine fragments were plotted and visualized using the BioMAP rainbow false color scale where the minimum and maximum ion intensity values were set to the best contrast for each ion.

Carbamylation of Cyclohexylamine in flow



Scheme S1: Synthesis of **3** in flow

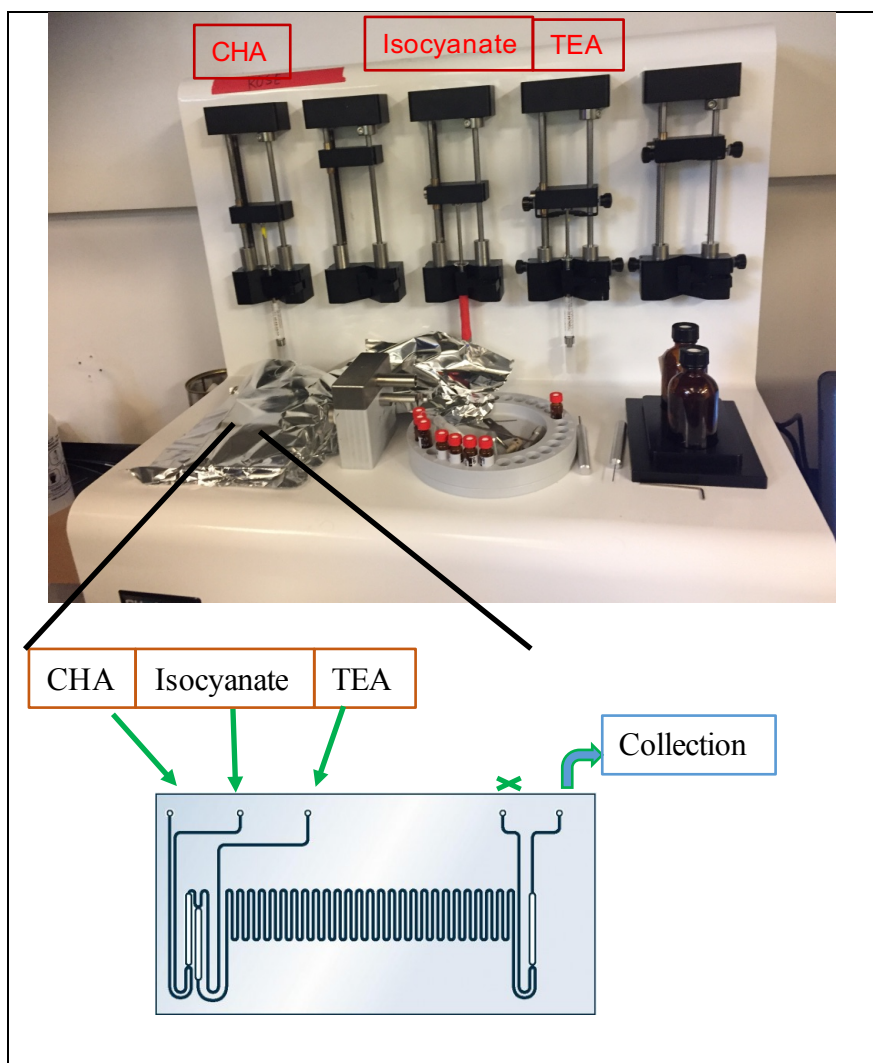


Figure S1: Set up of continuous flow synthesis of **3** using chemtrix S1 system

NMR

^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , ppm): δ_{H} = 4.84 (t, J = 5.85, 1 H), 4.42 (d, J = 7.35 Hz, 1 H), 3.62 (t, J = 5.60 Hz, 2 H), 3.54 (t, J = 5.70 Hz, 2 H), 3.51-3.45 (m, 1 H), 1.95-1.92 (m, 2 H), 1.72-1.67 (m, 2 H), 1.62-1.58 (m, 1 H), 1.39-1.30 (m, 2 H), 1.19-1.06 (m, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , ppm): δ_{C} = 157.04, 49.29, 45.25, 42.12, 33.88, 25.57, 24.9.

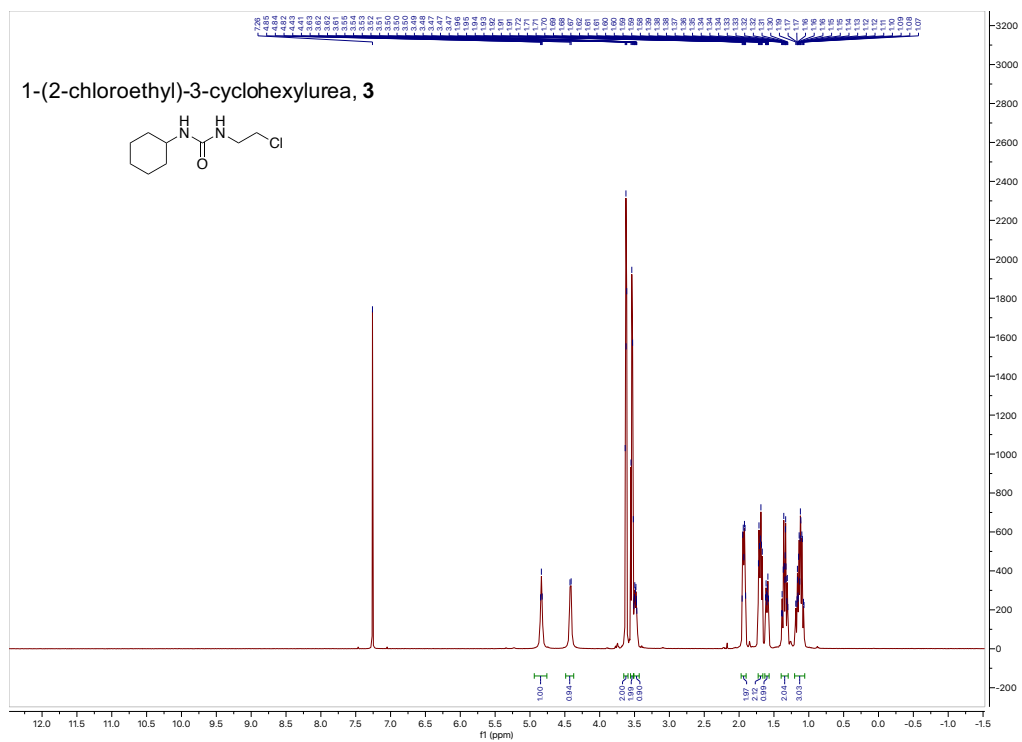


Figure S2: ^1H NMR of 1-(2-chloroethyl)-3-cyclohexylurea, **3**, from flow synthesis

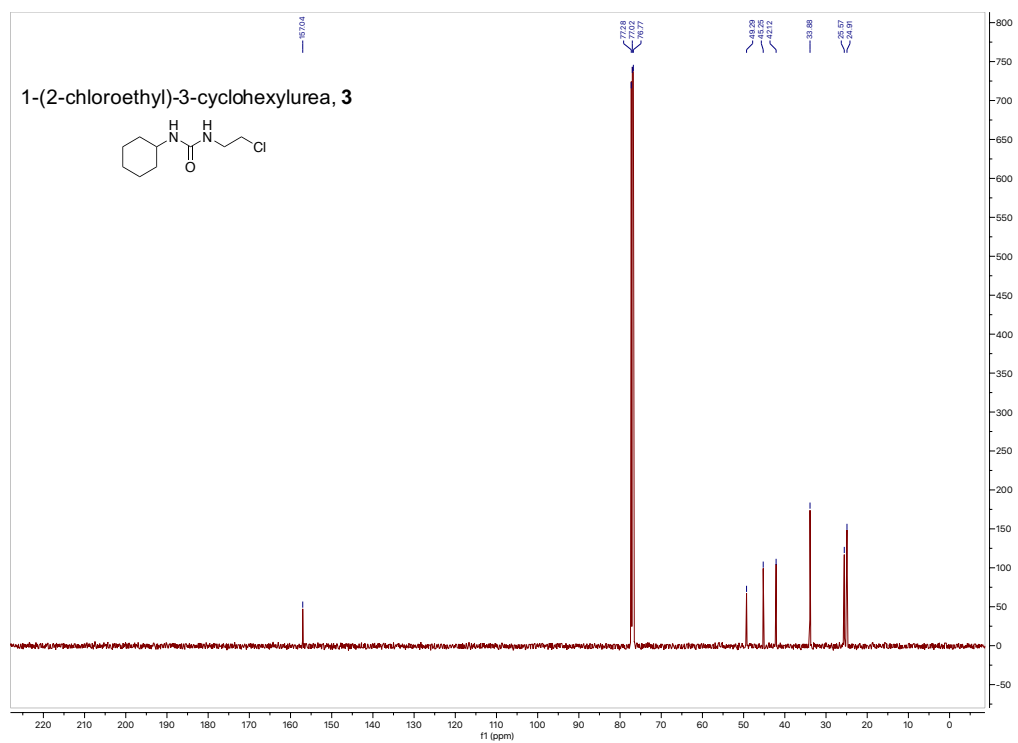


Figure S3: ^{13}C NMR of 1-(2-chloroethyl)-3-cyclohexylurea, **3**, from flow synthesis

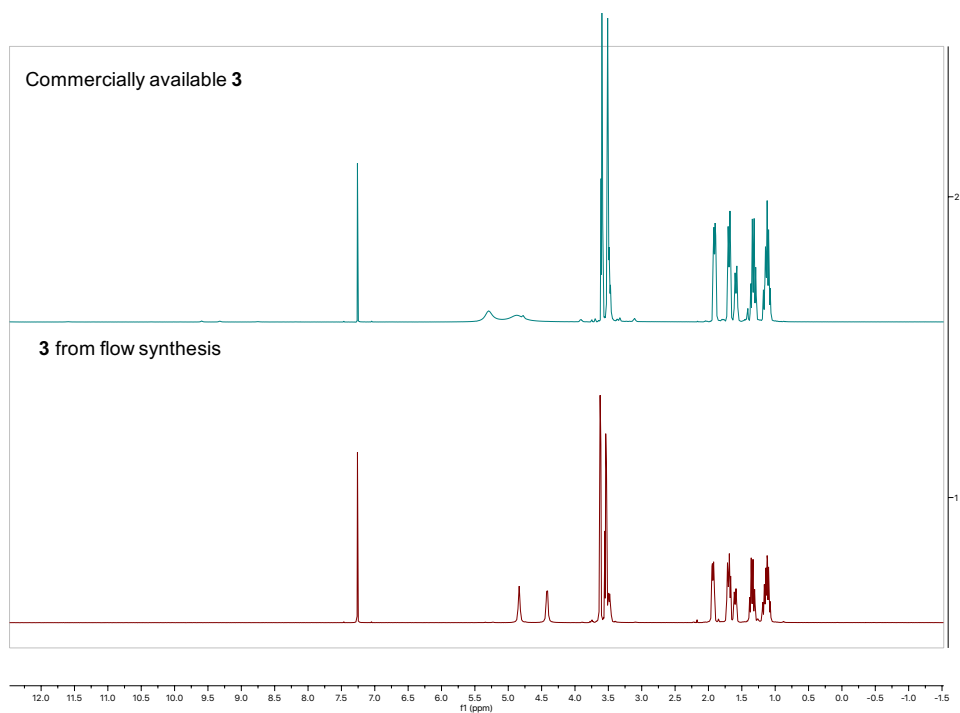


Figure S4: Comparison of ^1H NMR of 1-(2-chloroethyl)-3-cyclohexylurea, **3**, derived from flow synthesis with commercially available **3**.

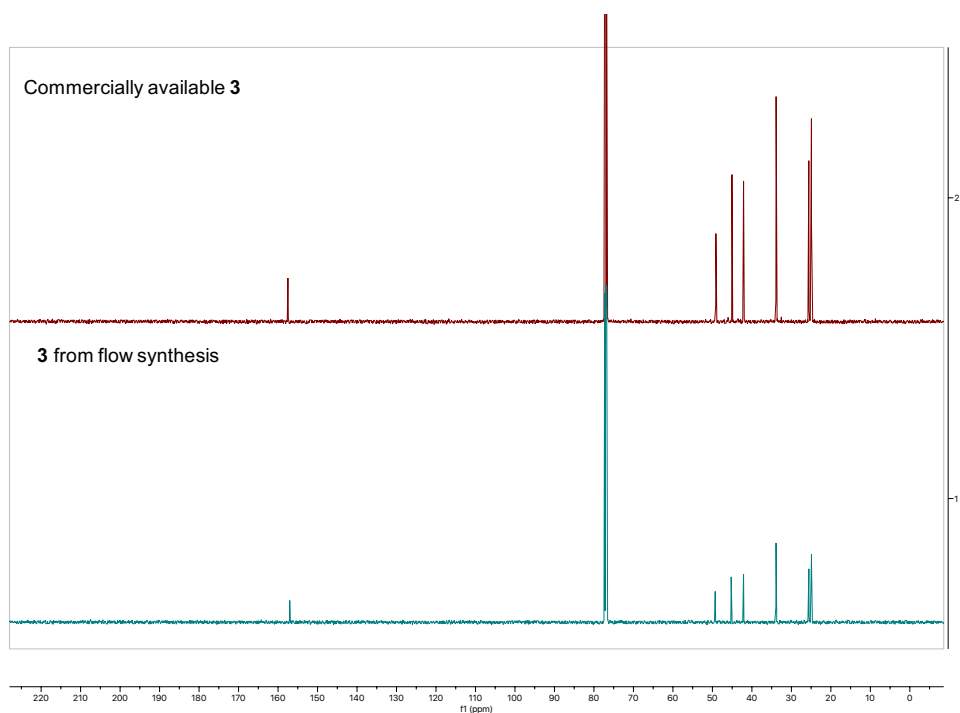
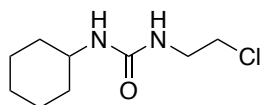


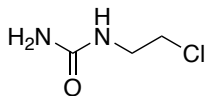
Figure S5: Comparison of ^{13}C NMR of 1-(2-chloroethyl)-3-cyclohexylurea, **3**, derived from flow

synthesis with commercially available **3**.

ESI-MS



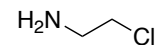
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Mass: 204.10



Chemical Formula:
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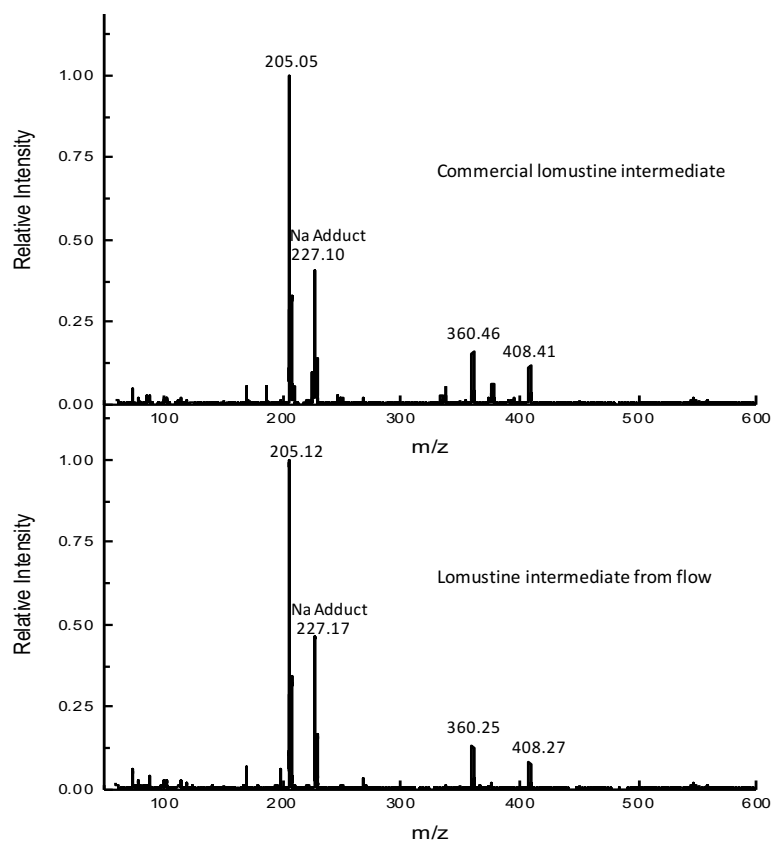
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Scheme S2: Fragments from 1-(2-chloroethyl)-3-cyclohexylurea, **3**

ESI-MS (*m/z*): 205/207 (M+H⁺), 227/229 (M+Na⁺).

ESI-MS/MS of *m/z* 205: 205 (M+H⁺), 123 (C₃H₇ClN₂O+H⁺), 83 (C₆H₁₁⁺) (80 (C₂H₆ClN⁺))

Full ESI-MS



MS/MS of $m/z=205$

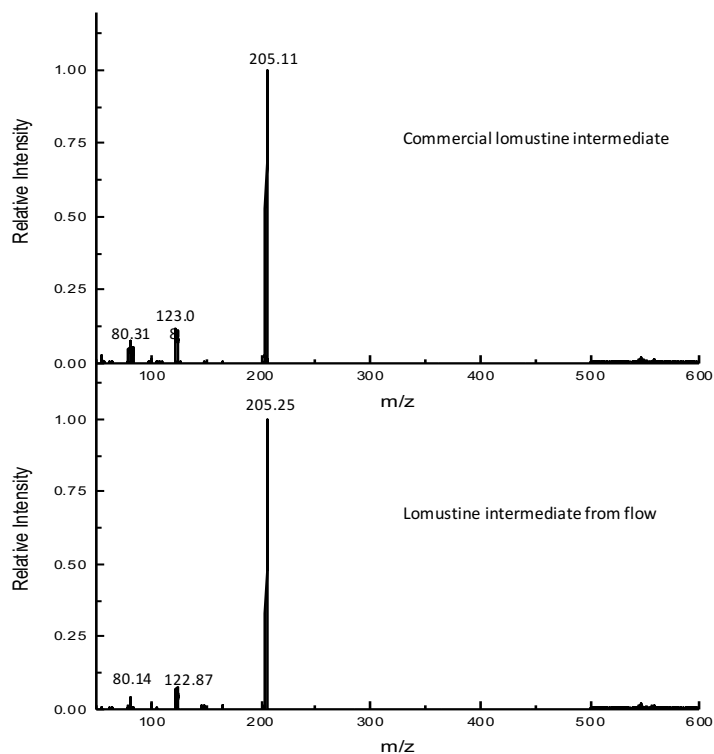


Figure S6: Full ESI-MS scan and MS/MS of commercially available **3** and synthesized **3** derived from flow under the reaction conditions of 50 °C, 1 min.

DESI-MS Screening.

DESI-MS Outline.

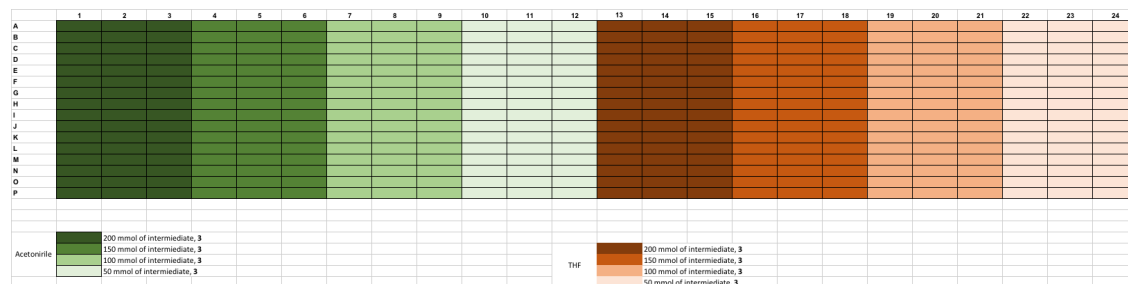


Figure S7: DESI master plate layout using four different concentrations in two solvents.

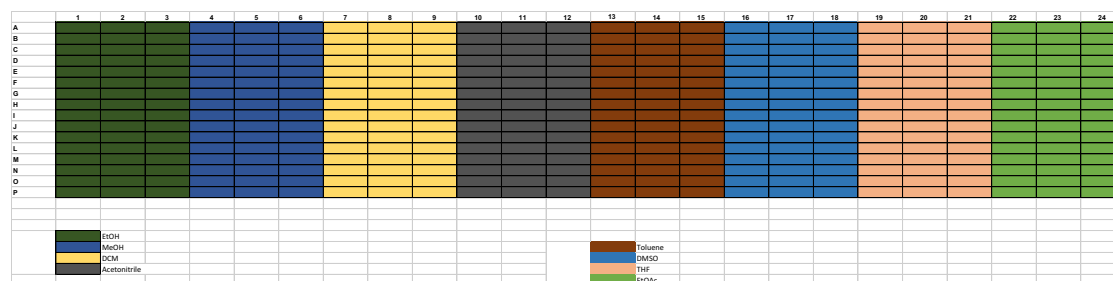


Figure S8: DESI master plate layout using eight different solvents.

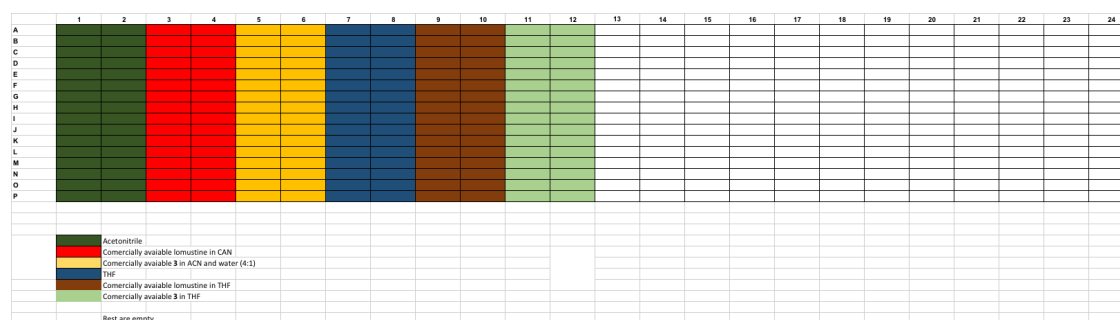


Figure S9: DESI master plate layout using only commercially available **3** and lomustine

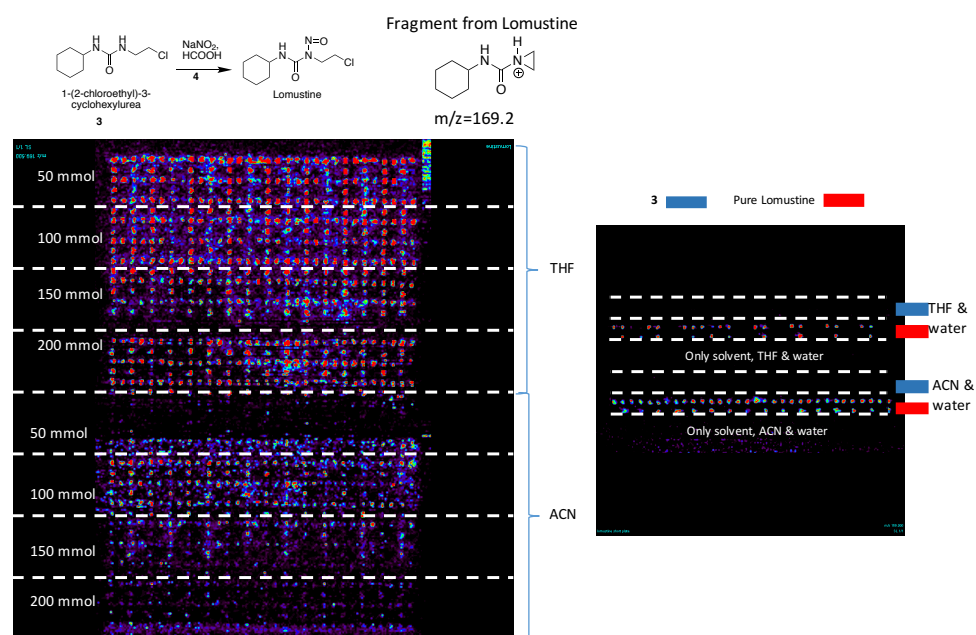


Figure S10: (left) Direct DESI-MS data comparison between the two nitrosation reactions in THF and ACN in different concentration. (right) DESI-MS data of commercially available **3** and lomustine standards. The data was analyzed using BioMAP imaging software.

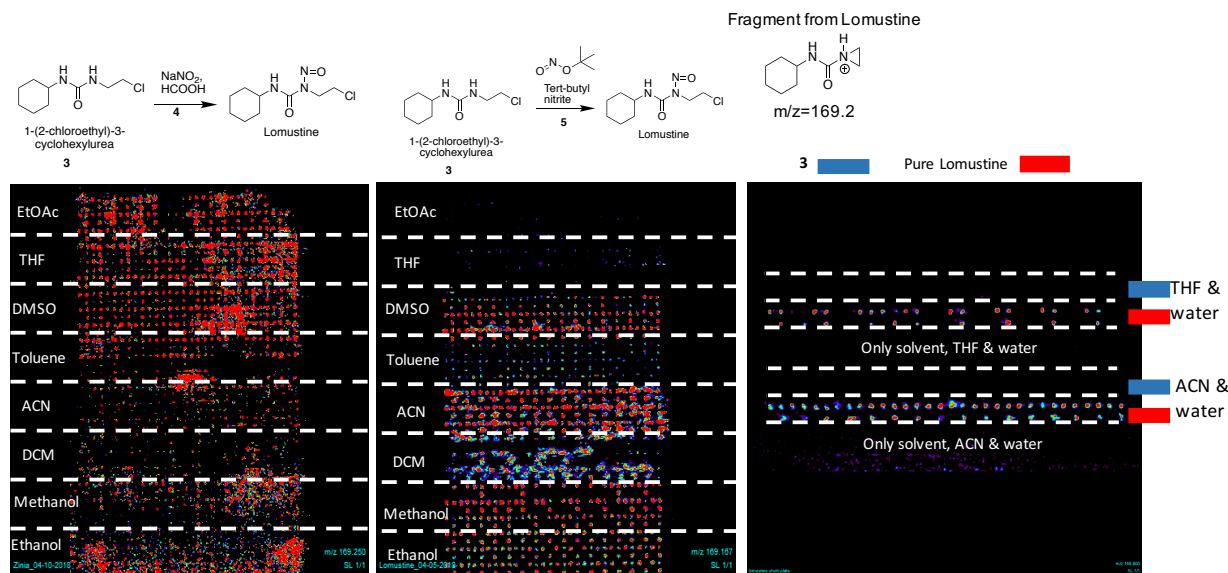
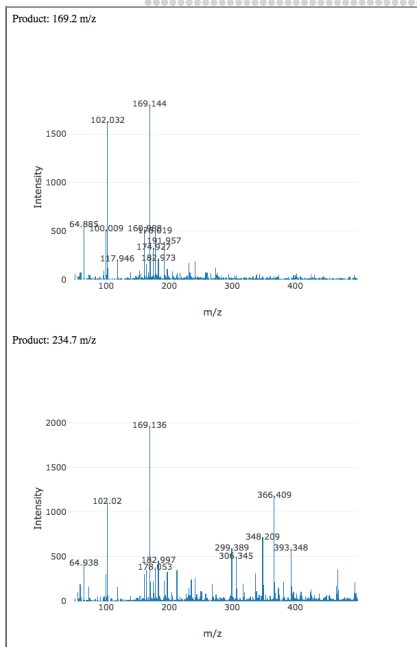
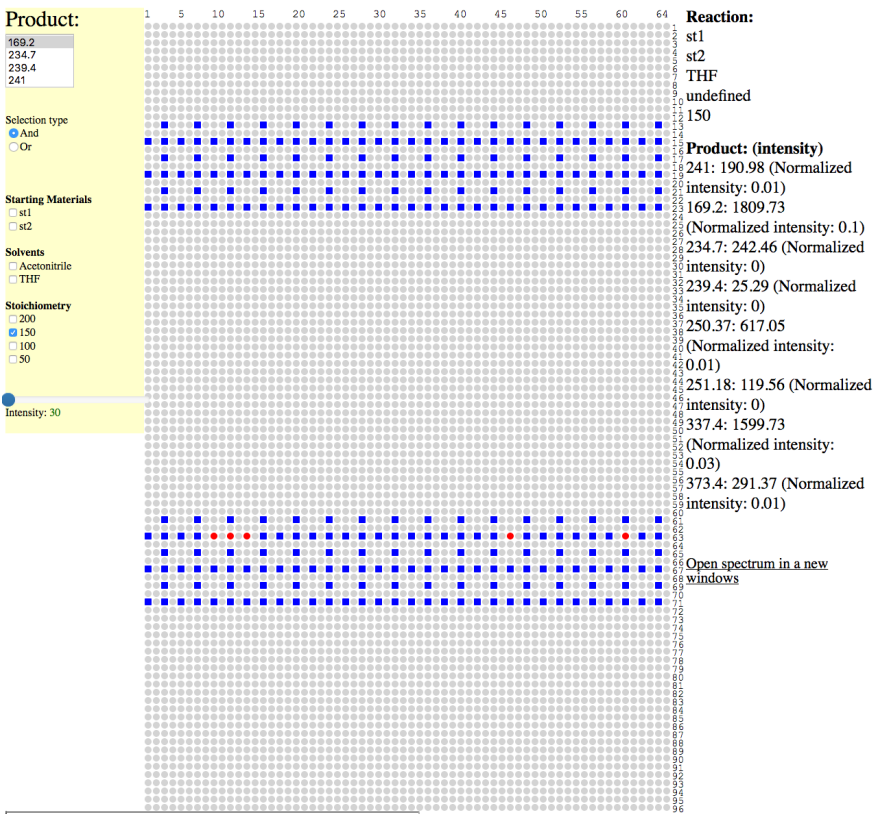


Figure S11: (left & center) Direct DESI-MS data comparison between the two nitrosation reactions in different solvents. (right) DESI-MS data of commercially available **3** and lomustine standards. The data was analyzed using BioMAP imaging software.

A



B

Product:

169.2
205.7
234.7
239.4

Selection type

☒ And
☐ Or

Starting Materials

☐ st1
☐ st2

Solvents

☐ Ethanol
☐ Methanol
☐ DCM
☐ Acetonitrile
☐ Toluene
☐ DMSO
☒ THF
☐ Ethyl Acetate

Intensity: 30

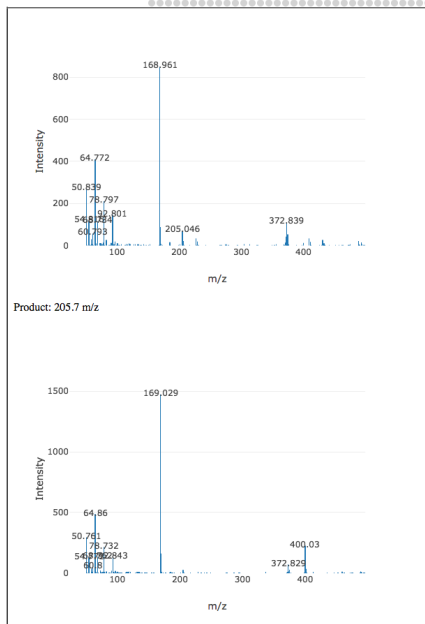
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st1
st2
THF
undefined

Product: (intensity)

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169.2: 849.03 (Normalized intensity: 0.22)
205.7: 3.13 (Normalized intensity: 0)
234.7: 0 (Normalized intensity: 0)
239.4: 71.86 (Normalized intensity: 0)
250.37: 0 (Normalized intensity: 0)
251.18: 86.73 (Normalized intensity: 0)
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C

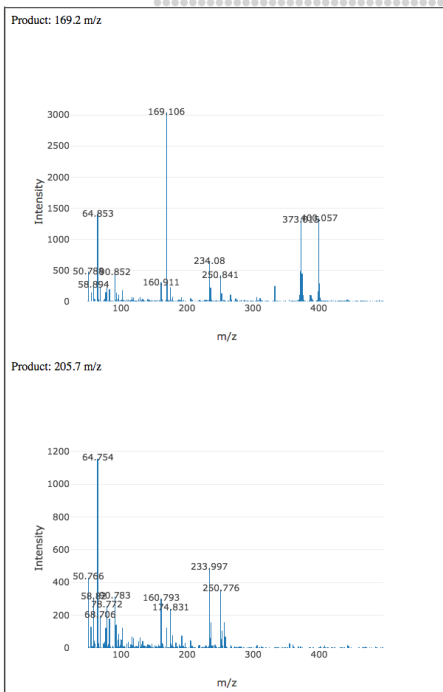
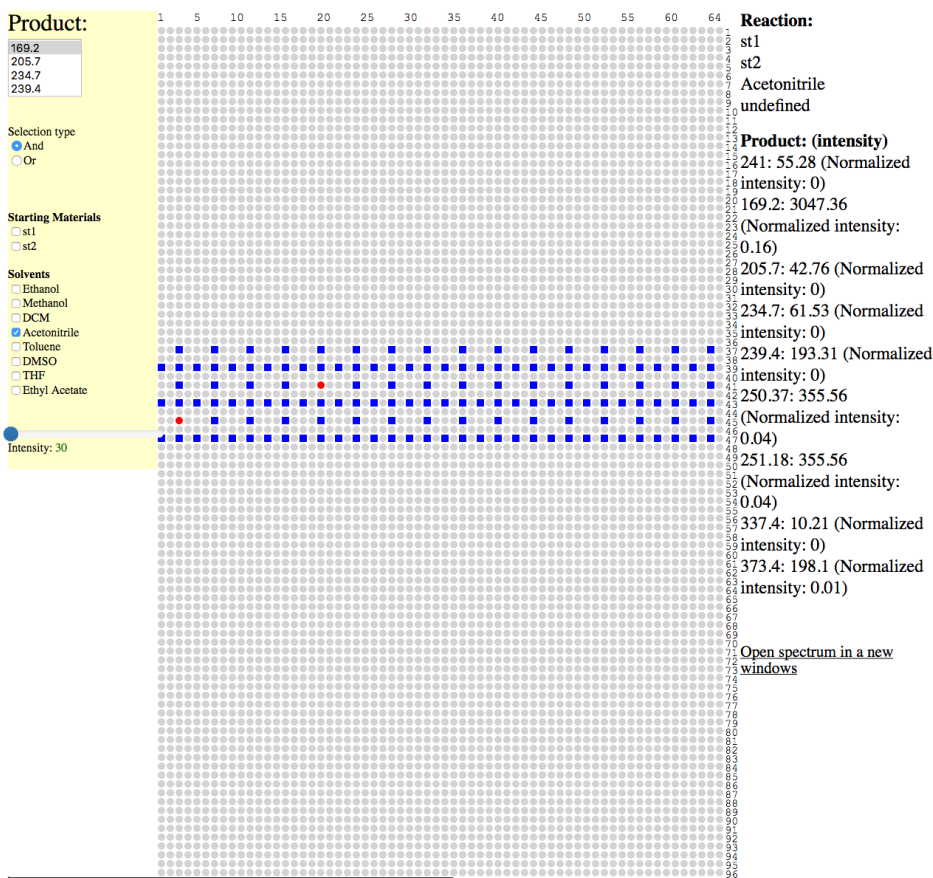


Figure S12: Map of the DESI-MS plates showing some of the expected ions where the nitrosation reaction using was screened using different stoichiometries as well as commercially available standards. Green dots indicate the presence of the m/z expected for the reaction product (successful reaction), Red dots indicate that the expected m/z for the reaction product was not present at the reaction spot (unsuccessful reaction condition). A: NaNO_2 , concentration screening using the lomustine ion (m/z 169) intensity; B: NaNO_2 , solvent screening using the lomustine ion (m/z 169) intensity; C: TBN, solvent screening using the lomustine ion (m/z 169) intensity

Nitrosation of 1-(2-chloroethyl)-3-cyclohexylurea, **3** in flow.

Three purification methods were examined to purify the compounds as described in the main manuscript. The NMR spectra for the different purification methods are shown here for comparison.

NMR

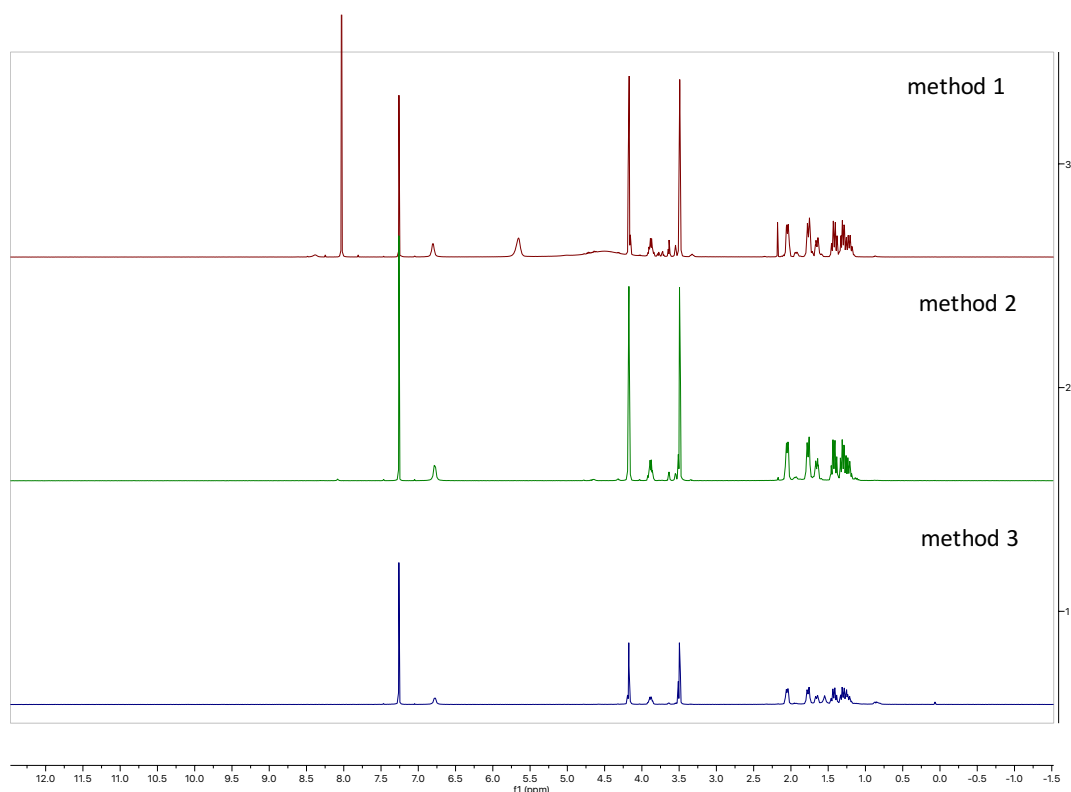
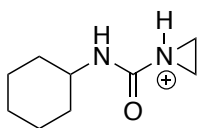
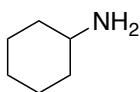


Figure S12: Comparison of ^1H NMR of lomustine synthesized by continuous flow for different methods of purification.

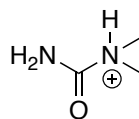
ESI-MS



Chemical Formula:
 $C_9H_{17}N_2O^+$
 Monoisotopic Exact
 Mass: 169.13



Chemical Formula:
 $C_6H_{13}N$
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 Mass: 99.10



Chemical Formula:
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 Mass: 87.06



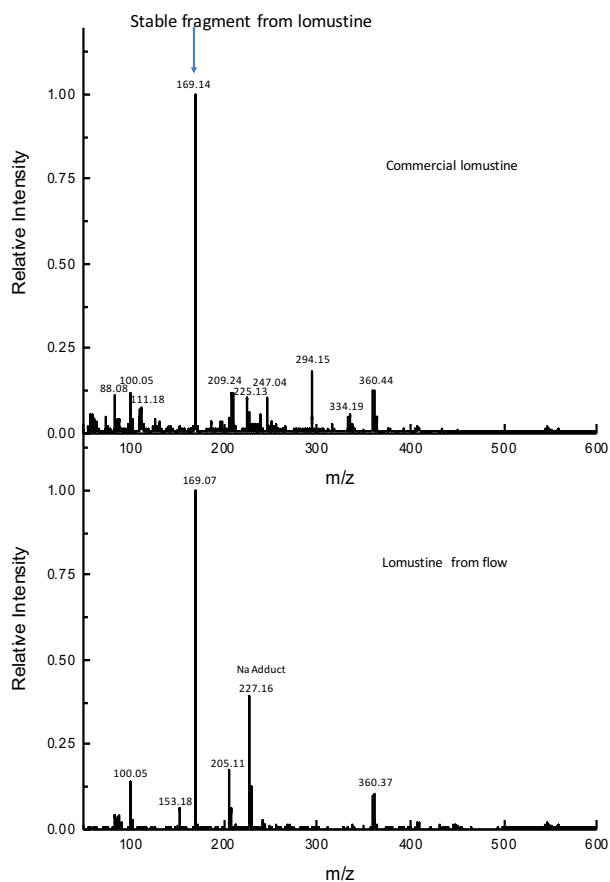
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 Mass: 83.09

Scheme S3: Fragments of lomustine in MS

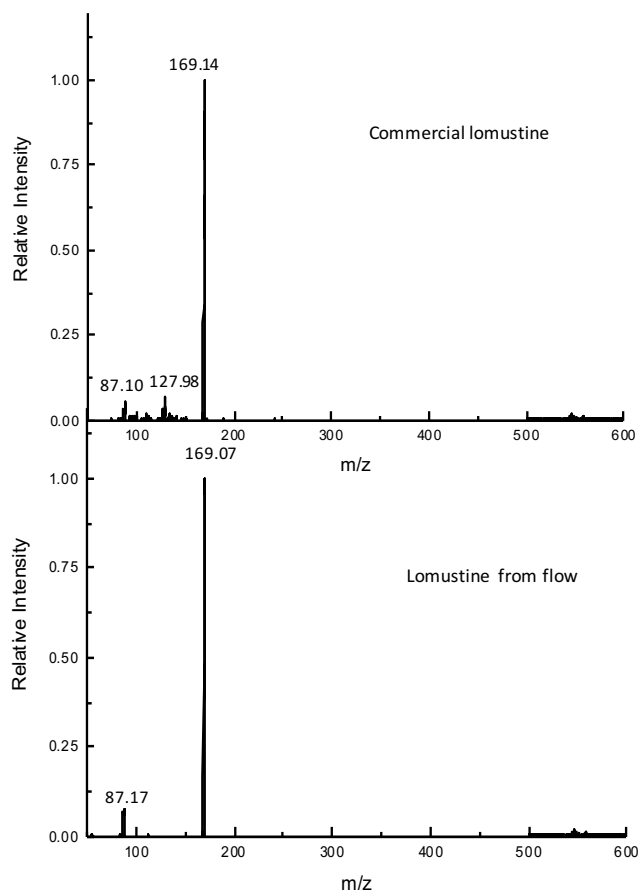
ESI-MS (m/z): 169 ($C_9H_{17}N_2O^+$), 100 ($C_6H_{13}N+H^+$), 87 ($C_3H_7N_2O^+$), 83 ($C_6H_{11}^+$)

ESI-MS/MS of m/z 169: 169 ($C_9H_{17}N_2O^+$), 100 ($C_6H_{13}N+H^+$), 87 ($C_3H_7N_2O^+$)

Full ESI-MS



MS/MS of $m/z=169$



The loss of a fragment in the MS/MS of mass 82 Dalton, corresponding to cyclohexene, is predicted and observed for the fragment ion m/z 169 with the structure indicated above. It is also worth noting that the lomustine sample generated by flow does not show the minor peak at m/z 127 which is observed in the MS/MS spectrum of the commercial lomustine sample, but is difficult to explain from its structure. Comparison of the mass spectra also suggests that the sample prepared in flow has fewer minor impurities.

Figure S13: Full MS scan and MS/MS of $m/z=169$ from commercially available lomustine and synthesized lomustine from flow. Reaction conditions were 25 °C, 8 min.

Telescoped Synthesis of Lomustine

Reactors.

For scale up and telescoping of the two steps, fluorinated ethylene propylene (FEP) tubing was used. The outer diameter of the FEP tube was 1/16 inches and the inner diameter is 0.8mm. The first reactor volume was 5 μL and the second reactor volume was 100 μL .

Experimentation.

Cyclohexanamine, **1** (1 M, 1 equiv) and triethylamine (0.01 M, 0.01 equiv) were prepared in DCM separately. Next, the two separate solutions were mixed in a 1:1 (v:v) ratio and loaded into a 5 mL Hamilton gastight syringe. Then, a solution of 1-chloro-2-isocyanatoethane, **2** (0.7 M) was prepared in THF and loaded into a 5 mL Hamilton gastight syringe that was covered with

aluminum-tape for light protection since it is light sensitive. The two syringes were connected to a T-connection and outlet of the T-connector was connected to the first tubing reactor using micro-tubes, check valves and other connectors (Figure S14 & S15). The setup for producing **3** was assembled and placed in a heated H₂O bath that was maintained at 50 °C. The outlet of the tube-reactor was connected to a four-way connector, where two of the outlets of the connectors were connected to a 10 mL Hamilton gastight syringe containing H₂O and a 5 mL Hamilton gastight syringe containing DCM. The four-way connector provide sufficient mixing for the extraction of the triethylamine base in the aqueous phase and leaving **3** in the organic phase. The fourth outlet was connected to the liquid-liquid separator (SEP-10) in which the DCM passes through the membrane carrying with it **3** to the next reaction step. The outlet of the aqueous phase from the separator was connected to a waste vial. For using sodium nitrite as a nitrosation reagent, the outlet of the organic phase was connected to a four-way connector. Sodium nitrite, **4** (1.5 M, 3 equiv) solution in THF and formic acid were loaded into two separate 5 mL Hamilton gastight syringes and connected to the a four-way connector. The outlet of the four-way connector is connected to the second tubing reactor. When using TBN, **5** as a nitrosation reagent, we doubled the concentration of the starting material. The outlet of the organic phase from liquid-liquid extractor was connected to a T-connector, where one outlet was connected to a 5 mL Hamilton gastight syringe containing tert-Butyl nitrite, **5** (5 M) in ACN. The outlet of the T-connector was connected to the second tubing reactor. The second reactor was placed in a H₂O bath with a constant temperature of 25 °C and the outlet of this reactor was connected to a collection vial. The reactions were monitored by TLC and ESI-MS. The purification and analyses were conducted as described above, except that HPLC-MS analysis was performed to evaluate the purity of the product. Mostly unreacted intermediate, **3** and cyclohexanamine, **1** were found after the reaction. We were able to remove intermediate **3** ,however, trace amounts of cyclohexanamine, **1**, were present sometimes that was confirmed by MS and HPLC-MS.

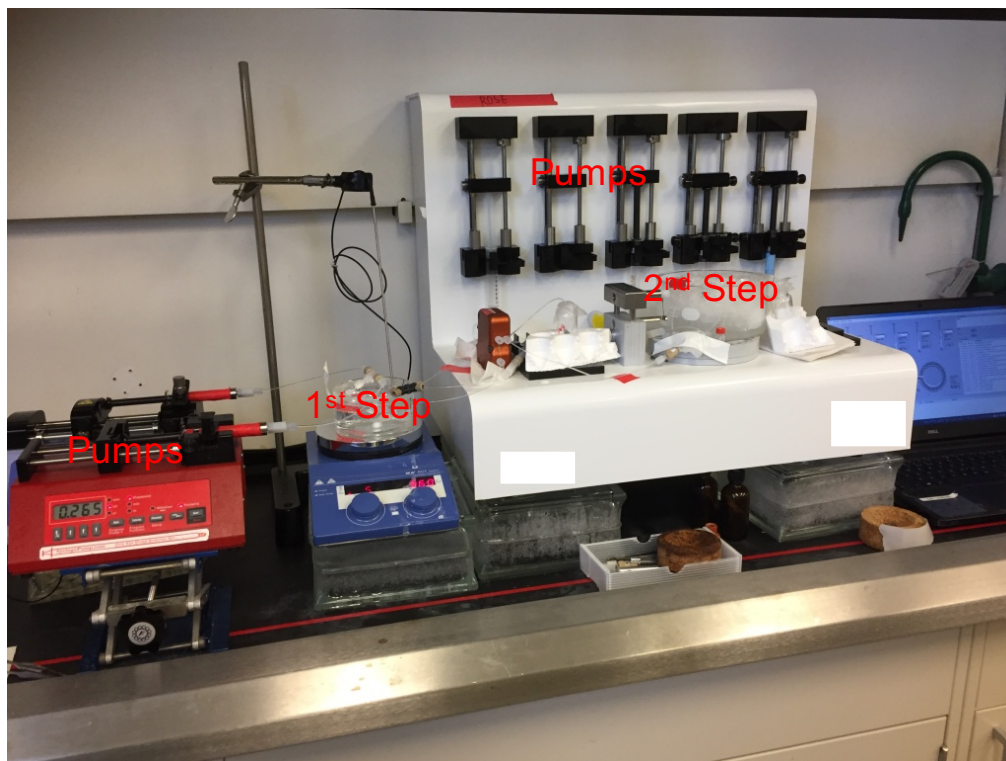


Figure S14: Telescoped two step synthesis of lomustine using sodium nitrite in the second step.

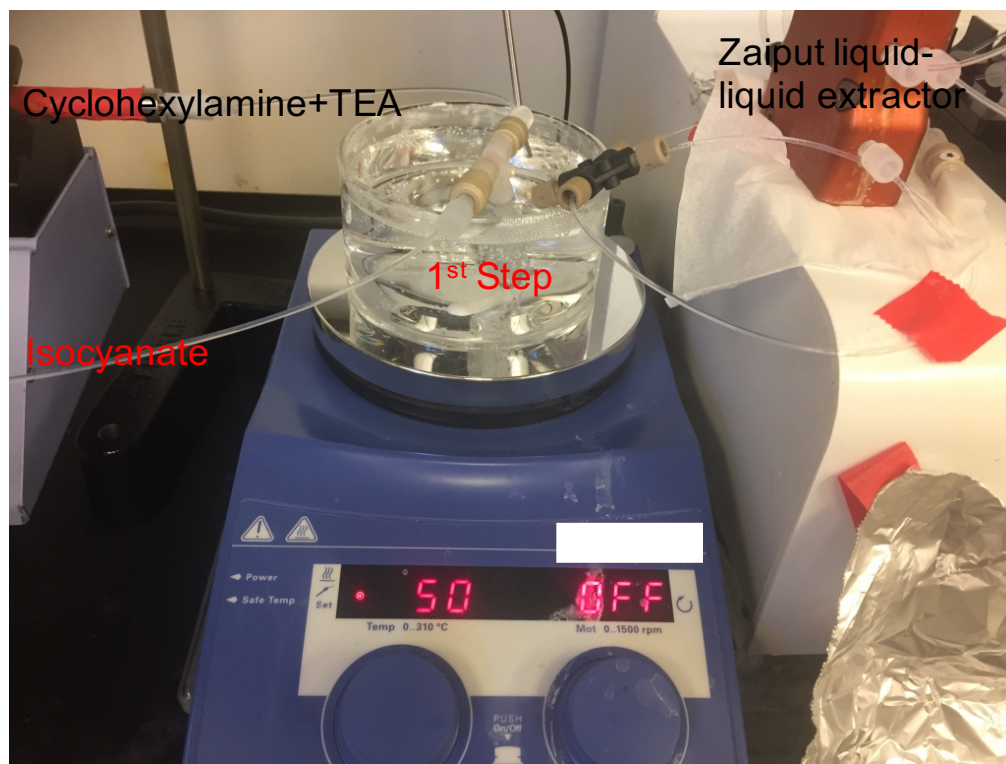


Figure S15: First step of the telescoped synthesis of lomustine.

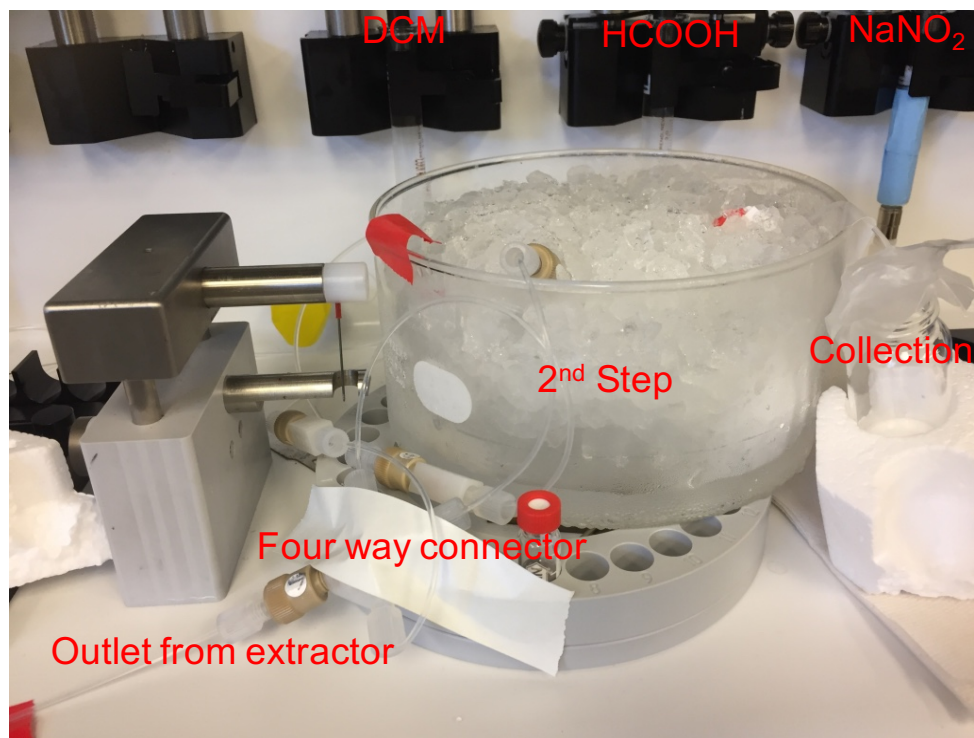


Figure S16: Second step of the telescoped synthesis of lomustine using NaNO_2 as a nitrosation reagent.



Figure S17: Telescoped lomustine synthesis using TBN as a nitrosation reagent, before reaction initiation.

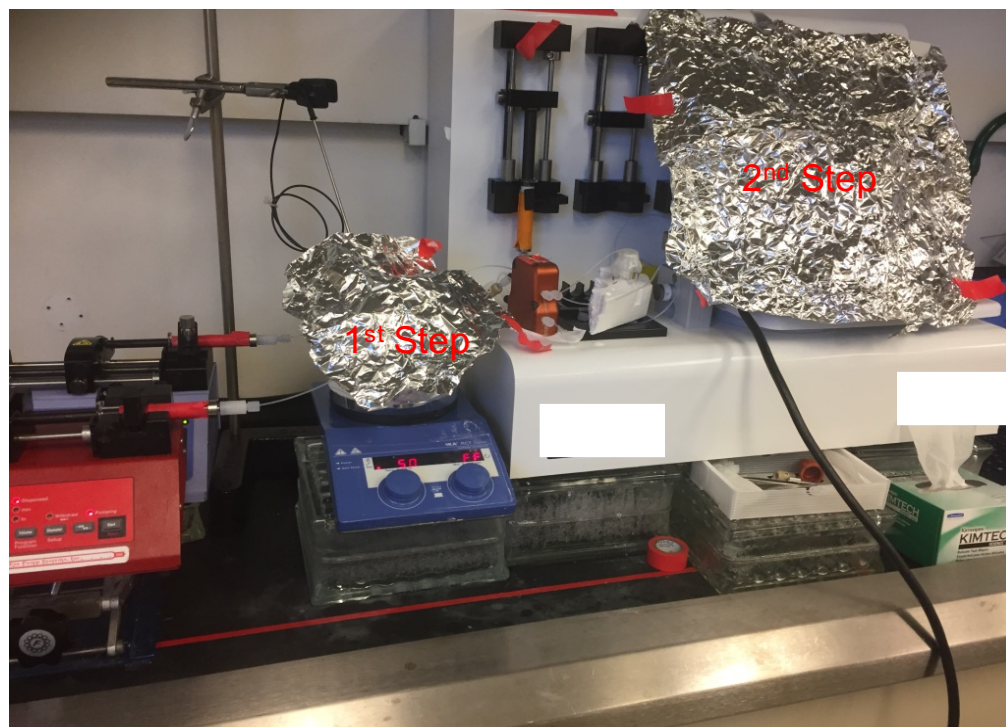


Figure S18: Telescoped lomustine synthesis using TBN (protected from light).

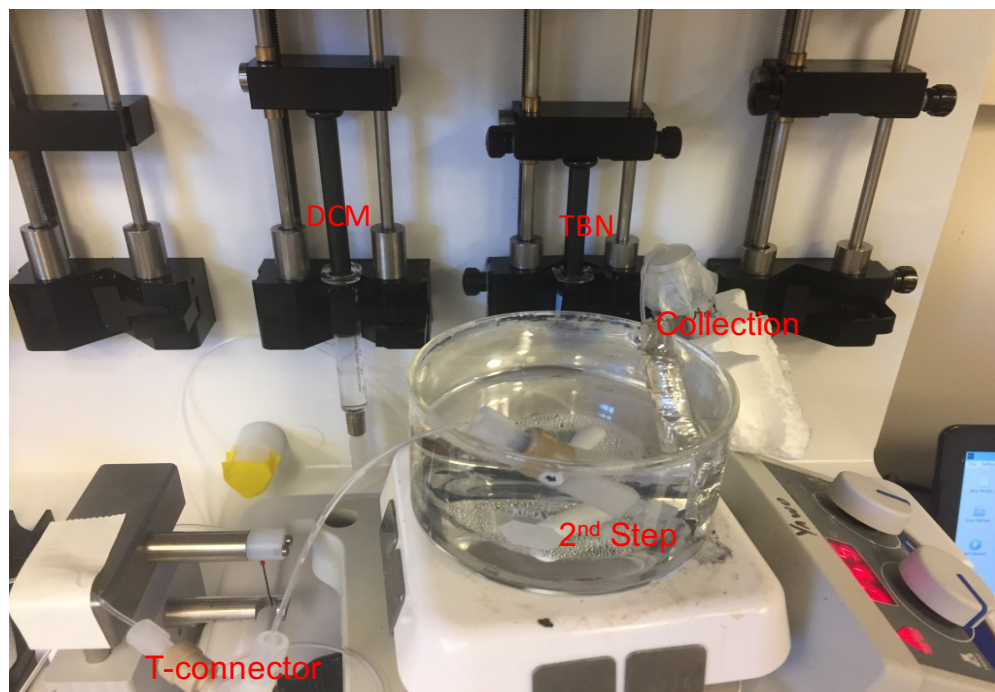


Figure S19: Second step of the telescoped synthesis of lomustine using TBN.

TLC and Purification. Reaction progress was monitored by TLC using 1:1 EtOAc:Hexanes as eluent. Lomustine was visualized under shortwave UV light (230 nm), while **3** was observed after staining with ninhydrin solution and heating. The extraction and purification was conducted by taking 500 μ L from the collection vial and washing it with 2 mL of H₂O and 2 mL of Et₂O and extracted three times. The combined organic layers were dried using anhydrous NaSO₄. The Et₂O was evaporated and the yellowish oil/solid was dissolved in hot petroleum ether, hot filtered, and the filtrate was removed under vacuum. The resulting solid was recrystallized from petroleum ether.

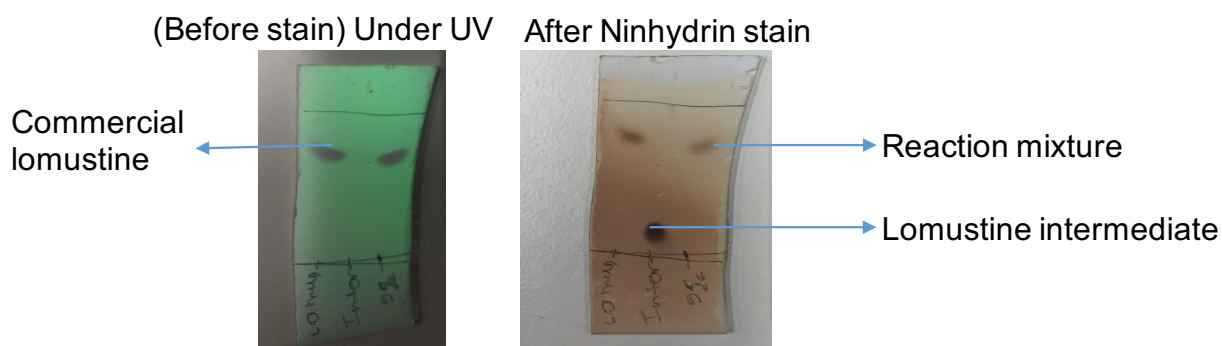


Figure S20: TLC monitoring during lomustine synthesis in flow

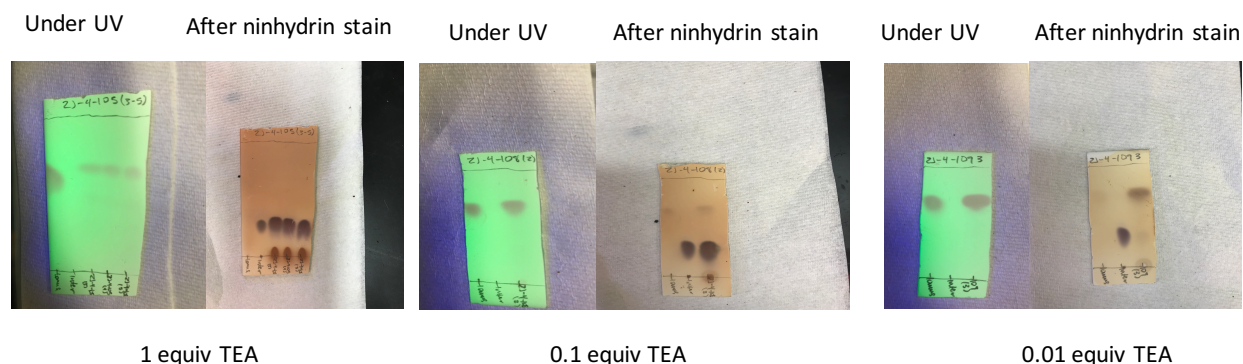


Figure S21: Comparison of TLC of telescoped lomustine synthesis using different equivalents of base

NMR

¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, ppm): δ_{H} = 6.78 (s, 1H), 4.18 (t, J = 7.5, 2 H), 3.92-3.84 (m, 1H), 3.50

(t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2 H), 2.07-2.04 (m, 2 H), 1.79-1.75 (m, 2 H), 1.68-1.63 (m, 1 H), 1.45-1.39 (m, 2 H), 1.32-1.24 (m, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3 , ppm): $\delta_{\text{C}} = 151.78, 49.98, 40.03, 38.89, 33.09, 25.39, 24.76$

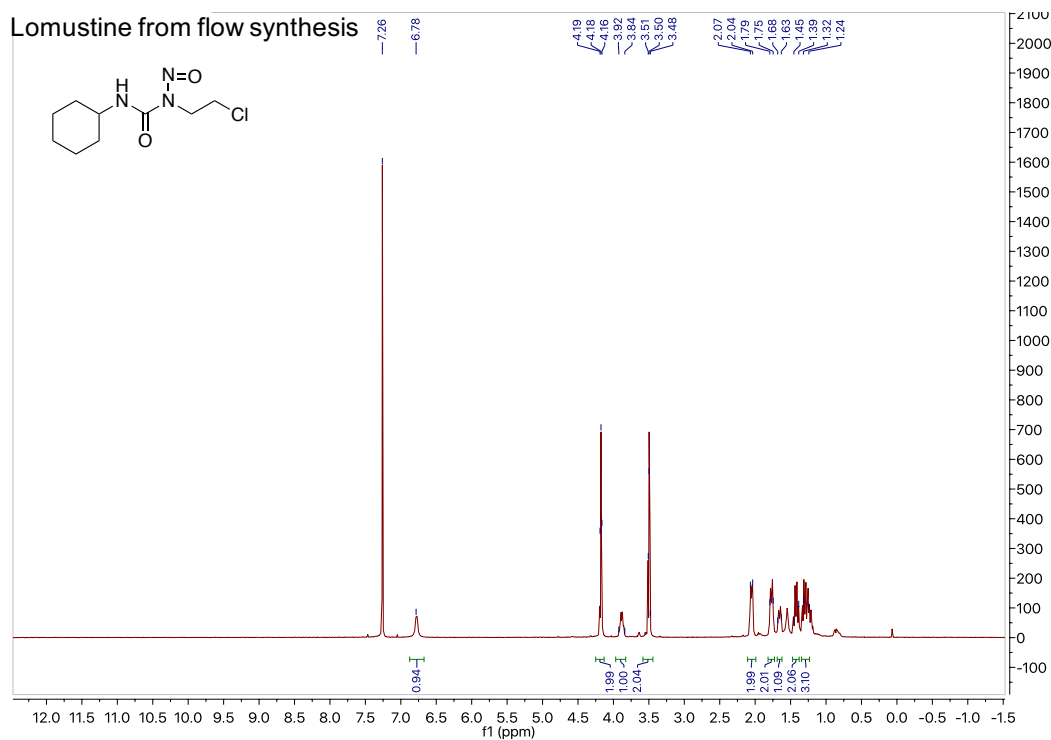


Figure S22: ^1H NMR of lomustine from flow synthesis

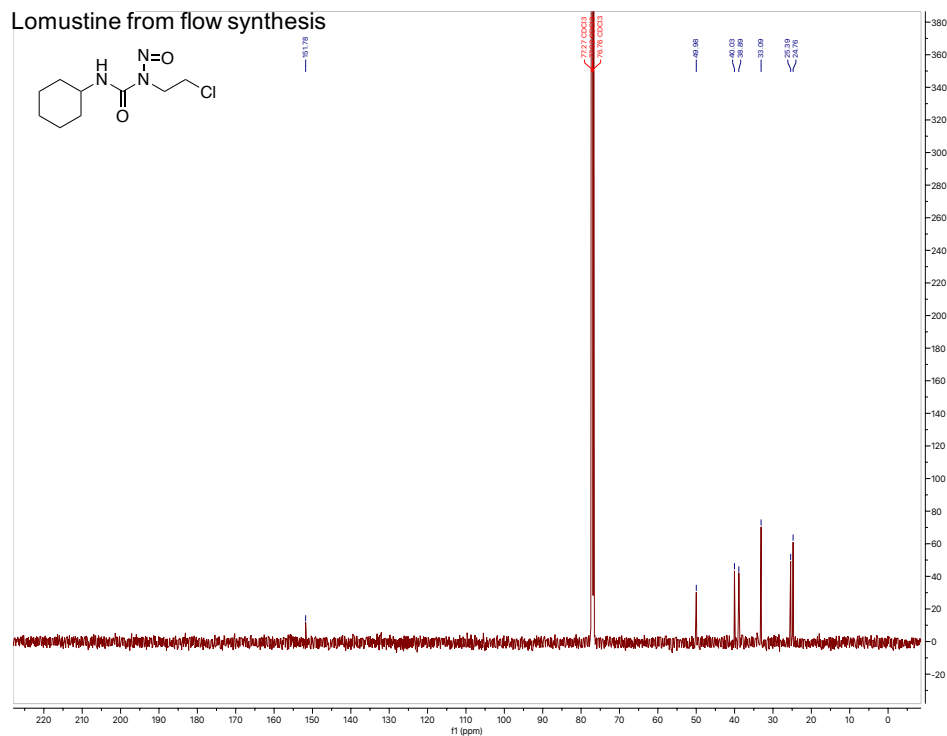


Figure S23: Carbon NMR of lomustine, **6** from flow synthesis

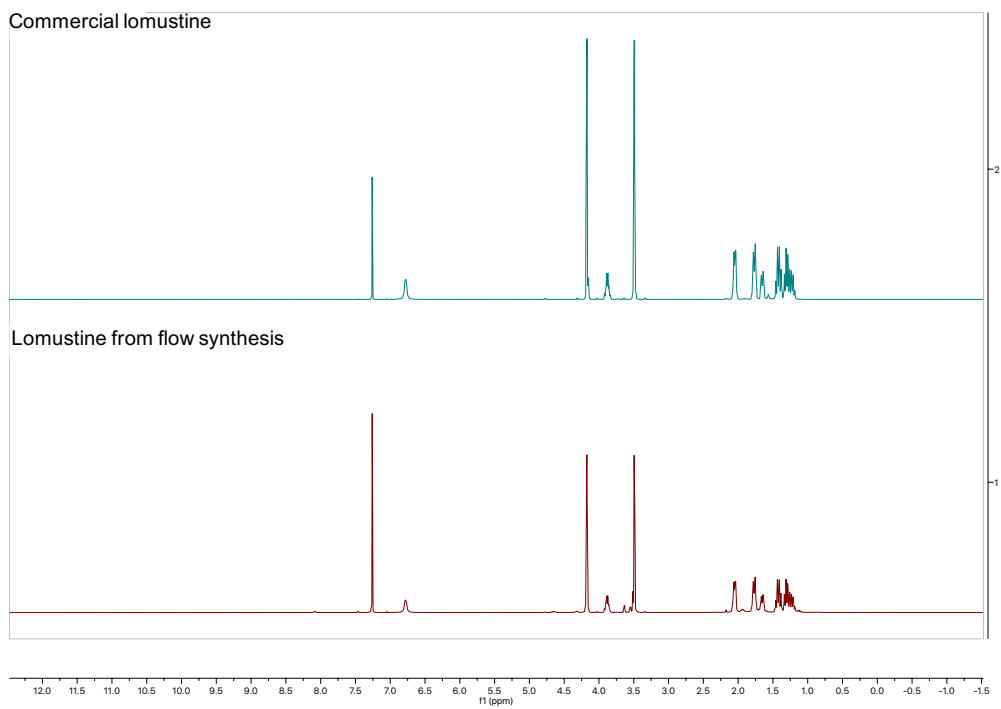


Figure S24: Comparison of Proton NMR of lomustine, **6** in flow synthesis with commercially

available lomustine, **6**.

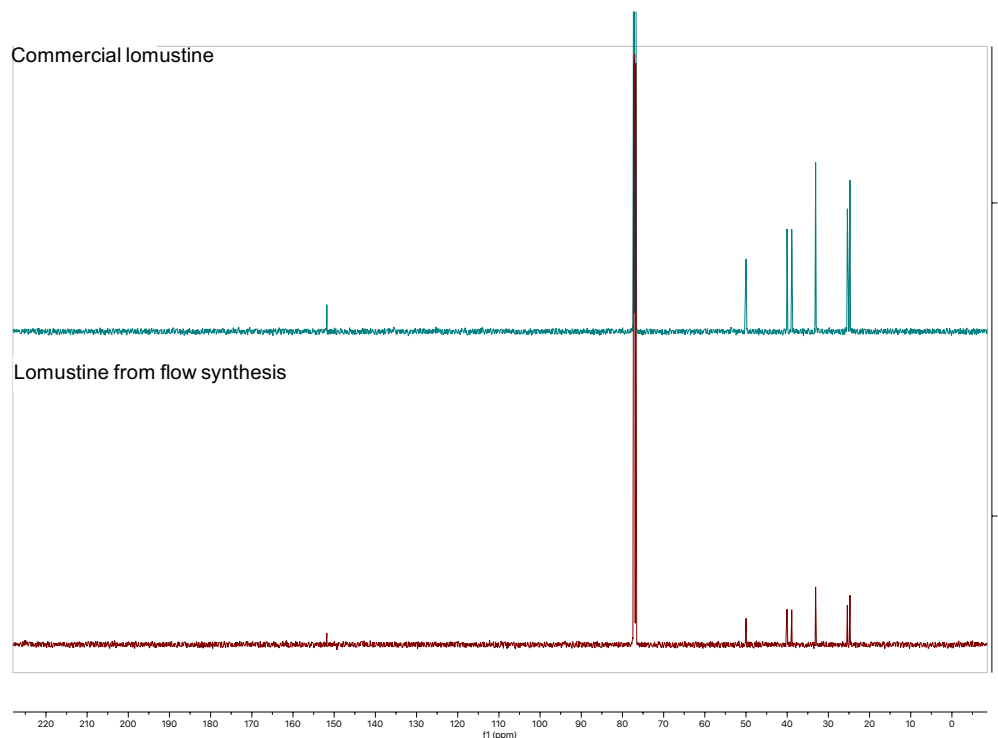


Figure S25: Comparison of carbon NMR of lomustine, **6** in flow synthesis with commercially available lomustine, **6**.

HPLC/MS-MS analysis

HPLC/MS analysis was performed on an Agilent 6545 UPLC/quadrupole time-of-flight (Q-TOF) mass spectrometer (Palo Alto, CA), with an Agilent XDB-C18 column (3.5 μ m, 150 x 2.1 mm i.d) and 5 μ L injection volume. A binary mobile phase consisting of solvent systems A and B were used. A was 0.1% formic acid (v/v) in ddH₂O and B was 0.1% formic acid (v/v) in acetonitrile. Isocratic elution of A:B at 95:5 was used, with a column flow rate of 0.3 mL/min. Following the separation, the column effluent was introduced by positive mode electrospray ionization (ESI) into the mass spectrometer. High mass accuracy spectra was collected between 70 – 1000 m/z. Mass accuracy was improved by continuously infusing Agilent Reference Mass Correction Solution (G1969-85001). ESI capillary voltage was 3.5 kV, nebulizer gas pressure was 30 psig, gas temperature was 325 °C, drying gas flow rate was 8.0 L/min, fragmentor voltage was 130 V, skimmer was 45 V, and OCT RF V was 750 V.

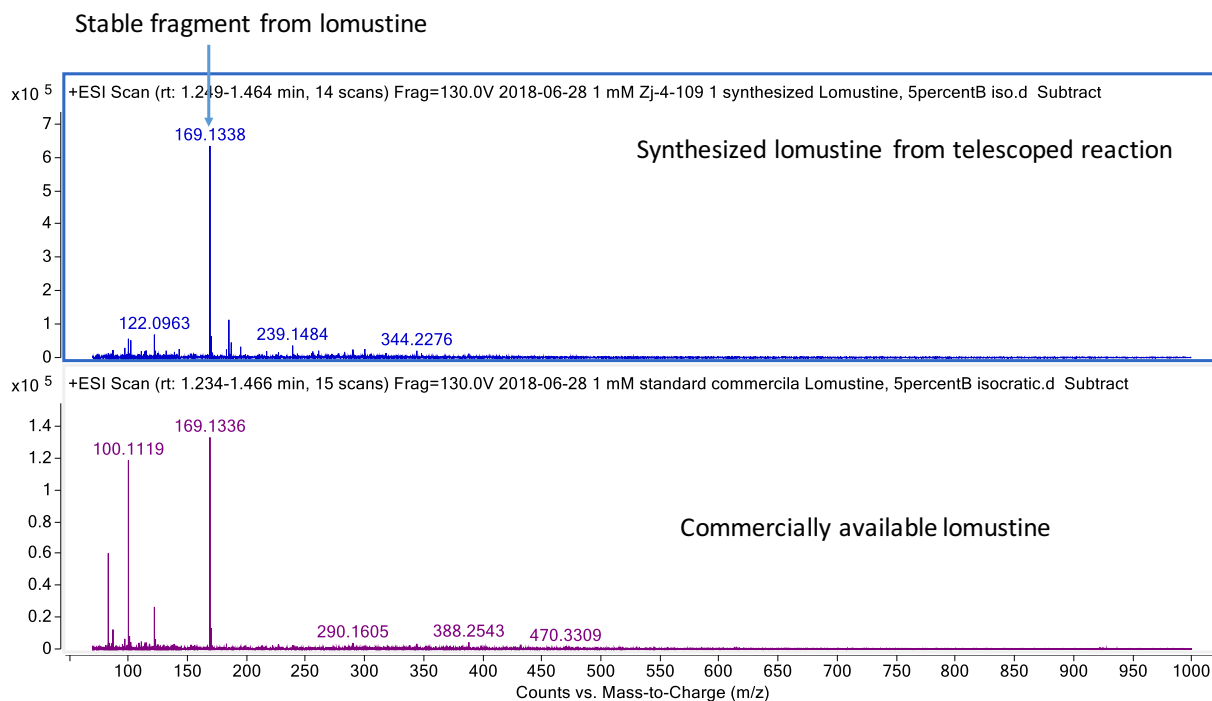


Figure S26: Full MS from HPLC-MS/MS and comparison between synthesized lomustine and commercially available lomustine.

Flow Rates

Flow Rates for 1st step Reaction in Labtrix S1 system

Chemtrix reactor chip: 3225, 10 μ L, pressure: ambient pressure

R1 Cyclohexane amine, 1 μ L/min	R2 Triethylamine μ L/min	R3 2-Chloroethyl isocyanate, 2 μ L/min	Residence Time in min	Temperature $^{\circ}$ C
20	20	20	0.167	50
6.67	6.67	6.67	0.5	50
3.33	3.33	3.33	1	50
1.11	1.11	1.11	3	50
0.67	0.67	0.67	5	50
0.417	0.417	0.417	8	50
0.333	0.333	0.333	10	50

Flow Rates for 2nd step Reaction using NaNO₂/HCO₂H, 4 in Labtrix S1 system

Chemtrix reactor chip: 3225, 10 µL, pressure: ambient pressure

R1 3 µL/min	R2 Sodium Nitrite µL/min	R3 Formic Acid µL/min	Residence Time in min	Temperature °C
6.67	6.67	6.67	0.5	0
3.33	3.33	3.33	1	0
1.11	1.11	1.11	3	0
0.67	0.67	0.67	5	0
0.417	0.417	0.417	8	0
0.333	0.333	0.333	10	0

Flow Rates for 2nd step Reaction using TBN, 5 in Labtrix S1 system.

Chemtrix reactor chip: 3223, 10 µL, pressure: ambient pressure

R1 3 µL/min	R2 tert-Butyl nitrite µL/min	Residence Time in min	Temperature °C
10	10	0.5	50
5	5	1	50
1.67	1.67	3	50
1	1	5	50
0.625	0.625	8	50
0.5	0.5	10	50
10	10	0.5	25
5	5	1	25
1.67	1.67	3	25
1	1	5	25
0.625	0.625	8	25
0.5	0.5	10	25

Telescoped reaction in Tube

Nitrosation Reagent: NaNO₂/HCO₂H, 4

R1 1 + Triethyl amine μL/min	R2 2 μL/min	Reactor volume, cm	Step 1	Extraction step, H ₂ O μL/min	Extraction step, DCM μL/min	R3 NaNO ₂ μL/min	R3 HCO ₂ H μL/min	Step 2
12.56	12.56	Step 1: 5 Step 2: 100	1 min, 50 °C	50.24	25.12	25.12	25.12	5 min, 0 °C
12.56	12.56	Step 1: 10 Step 2: 100	2 min, 50 °C	50.24	25.12	25.12	25.12	5 min, 0 °C
12.56	12.56	Step 1: 50 Step 2: 100	10 min, 50 °C	50.24	25.12	25.12	25.12	5 min, 0 °C
12.56	12.56	Step 1: 50 Step 2: 100	10 min, 50 °C	50.24	25.12	50.24	67.02	3 min, 0 °C

Nitrosation Reagent: TBN, 5

Reactor volume: Step 1=5 cm; Step 2= 100 cm

R1 1 + Triethyl amine μL/min	R2 2 μL/min	Step 1	Extraction step, H ₂ O μL/min	Extraction step, DCM μL/min	R3 TBN μL/min	Step 2
12.56	12.56	1 min, 50 °C	50.24	25.12	50.2	5 min, 25/50 °C
12.56	12.56	1 min, 50 °C	50.24	25.12	12.56	8 min, 25 °C

DESI-MS Data

DESI-MS data of the nitrosation reaction using 4 in different stoichiometries

Starting Material	Starting Material	Solvent	Stoichiometry	Product m/z	Intensity (Average)	Stdev	Intensity (max)	Normalized Intensity (Average)	Normalized Stdev	Normalized Intensity (max)	no of spots, n
3	4	Acetonitrile	150	169.2	213.3	191.6	934.1	0.025	0.030	0.166	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	150	234.7	8.0	6.7	45.1	0.001	0.001	0.007	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	150	239.4	1206.9	1349.7	6575.7	0.069	0.066	0.284	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	150	241.0	390.4	412.9	1980.9	0.022	0.020	0.088	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	150	250.4	143.7	184.3	923.0	0.008	0.005	0.024	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	150	251.2	34.7	40.6	205.3	0.002	0.001	0.006	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	150	337.4	831.0	707.6	4214.5	0.043	0.016	0.100	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	150	373.4	195.1	203.4	1017.1	0.010	0.006	0.026	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	100	169.2	428.3	487.1	3538.6	0.021	0.019	0.124	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	100	234.7	19.3	15.1	80.5	0.002	0.002	0.008	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	100	239.4	2066.8	2519.0	12435.6	0.061	0.049	0.220	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	100	241.0	664.8	776.1	3676.1	0.020	0.015	0.070	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	100	250.4	179.0	200.3	1072.1	0.006	0.003	0.016	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	100	251.2	50.4	57.4	348.6	0.002	0.001	0.005	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	100	337.4	1541.9	1537.4	9588.3	0.050	0.018	0.105	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	100	373.4	261.3	307.9	1751.0	0.008	0.004	0.022	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	50	169.2	53.9	58.1	322.0	0.018	0.019	0.105	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	50	234.7	11.7	16.2	177.5	0.004	0.002	0.015	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	50	239.4	382.9	825.0	5452.0	0.045	0.062	0.326	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	50	241.0	124.8	257.2	1692.1	0.016	0.019	0.101	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	50	250.4	21.3	24.1	145.3	0.005	0.002	0.012	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	50	251.2	6.3	6.7	37.3	0.001	0.001	0.004	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	50	337.4	116.2	130.7	681.0	0.020	0.015	0.075	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	50	373.4	21.0	24.5	133.5	0.004	0.003	0.014	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	200	169.2	134.4	122.3	642.8	0.007	0.002	0.012	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	200	234.7	7.7	8.7	57.9	0.001	0.001	0.003	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	200	239.4	2162.9	2123.7	15812.4	0.119	0.056	0.297	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	200	241.0	608.6	518.4	4106.0	0.035	0.017	0.090	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	200	250.4	39.5	26.3	138.1	0.003	0.001	0.006	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	200	251.2	20.5	49.7	382.9	0.001	0.000	0.002	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	200	337.4	485.0	296.1	1620.7	0.028	0.007	0.042	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	200	373.4	73.1	51.3	324.3	0.004	0.001	0.007	144
3	4	THF	200	169.2	1024.5	744.7	6746.3	0.041	0.059	0.443	144
3	4	THF	200	234.7	30.8	36.3	222.7	0.002	0.001	0.006	144
3	4	THF	200	239.4	1067.2	1527.8	7808.4	0.022	0.034	0.174	144
3	4	THF	200	241.0	333.9	480.7	2373.1	0.007	0.010	0.057	144
3	4	THF	200	250.4	749.2	367.0	2331.3	0.011	0.004	0.022	144
3	4	THF	200	251.2	237.1	227.8	1263.0	0.003	0.002	0.009	144
3	4	THF	200	337.4	13765.9	7680.8	50455.2	0.186	0.054	0.343	144
3	4	THF	200	373.4	1096.5	568.4	3314.2	0.016	0.005	0.038	144
3	4	THF	150	169.2	680.3	705.5	3251.7	0.036	0.033	0.202	144
3	4	THF	150	234.7	43.2	44.1	295.0	0.003	0.001	0.009	144
3	4	THF	150	239.4	1106.3	2107.4	12553.7	0.021	0.031	0.143	144
3	4	THF	150	241.0	366.5	601.2	2985.4	0.008	0.009	0.044	144
3	4	THF	150	250.4	349.0	338.2	1672.1	0.007	0.004	0.020	144
3	4	THF	150	251.2	92.1	92.6	353.0	0.002	0.001	0.008	144
3	4	THF	150	337.4	2590.0	3621.7	15618.2	0.044	0.051	0.185	144
3	4	THF	150	373.4	291.1	374.6	1736.1	0.006	0.006	0.024	144
3	4	THF	100	169.2	1152.9	849.2	4316.7	0.053	0.038	0.236	144
3	4	THF	100	234.7	40.4	42.7	243.0	0.002	0.001	0.014	144
3	4	THF	100	239.4	486.4	1259.8	8600.9	0.008	0.019	0.149	144
3	4	THF	100	241.0	166.2	407.2	2879.3	0.003	0.006	0.044	144
3	4	THF	100	250.4	1070.5	451.4	2449.5	0.013	0.004	0.020	144
3	4	THF	100	251.2	260.9	172.7	1492.2	0.003	0.001	0.011	144
3	4	THF	100	337.4	14213.4	9456.4	39713.7	0.157	0.076	0.339	144
3	4	THF	100	373.4	1262.2	675.0	3233.6	0.016	0.006	0.030	144
3	4	THF	50	169.2	708.7	560.9	3726.2	0.060	0.034	0.211	144
3	4	THF	50	234.7	46.1	56.3	341.8	0.003	0.002	0.020	144
3	4	THF	50	239.4	91.6	164.1	938.4	0.003	0.003	0.023	144
3	4	THF	50	241.0	54.0	70.6	369.5	0.003	0.003	0.015	144
3	4	THF	50	250.4	783.5	422.1	2172.0	0.012	0.003	0.018	144
3	4	THF	50	251.2	227.3	310.1	2172.0	0.003	0.002	0.014	144
3	4	THF	50	337.4	10050.7	9141.9	52775.8	0.125	0.074	0.268	144
3	4	THF	50	373.4	911.9	744.6	4270.9	0.012	0.006	0.022	144
Rhodamine				443.3	12213.1	8739.2	70545.6	0.491	0.101	0.690	384

DESI-MS data of the nitrosation reaction using 4 as a nitrosation reagent

Starting Material	Starting Material	Solvent	Product m/z	Intensity (Average)	Stdev	Intensity (max)	Normalized Intensity (Average)	Normalized Stdev	Normalized d Intensity (max)	No of spots, n
3	4	Toluene	169.2	2554.4	5564.3	36332.5	0.406	0.173	0.719	144
3	4	Toluene	205.7	7.2	10.4	63.4	0.003	0.003	0.015	144
3	4	Toluene	234.7	2.8	4.5	24.2	0.001	0.001	0.004	144
3	4	Toluene	239.4	2.7	5.8	38.3	0.000	0.001	0.007	144
3	4	Toluene	241.0	2.5	5.8	38.1	0.000	0.001	0.004	144
3	4	Toluene	250.4	1.4	4.4	43.3	0.000	0.001	0.004	144
3	4	Toluene	251.2	30.9	134.5	1279.6	0.002	0.006	0.039	144
3	4	Toluene	337.4	100.7	267.5	1413.6	0.007	0.018	0.146	144
3	4	Toluene	373.4	440.4	1209.9	8746.2	0.026	0.043	0.215	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	169.2	861.8	2266.6	24796.5	0.471	0.136	0.774	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	205.7	6.4	12.7	84.5	0.003	0.004	0.026	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	234.7	0.8	2.0	15.5	0.000	0.001	0.007	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	239.4	1.1	2.4	17.8	0.000	0.000	0.002	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	241.0	6.9	18.6	151.1	0.001	0.002	0.008	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	250.4	5.3	13.5	106.8	0.001	0.002	0.012	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	251.2	330.2	517.7	2676.7	0.039	0.035	0.213	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	337.4	46.4	73.3	493.7	0.005	0.006	0.033	144
3	4	Acetonitrile	373.4	651.5	1237.0	9488.0	0.065	0.035	0.190	144
3	4	DMSO	169.2	4904.5	8789.6	53558.7	0.355	0.137	0.642	144
3	4	DMSO	205.7	25.7	26.7	151.4	0.002	0.002	0.012	144
3	4	DMSO	234.7	1.8	2.3	13.1	0.000	0.001	0.002	144
3	4	DMSO	239.4	17.1	26.6	228.2	0.001	0.000	0.002	144
3	4	DMSO	241.0	5.2	6.1	26.9	0.000	0.000	0.002	144
3	4	DMSO	250.4	1.6	9.6	110.6	0.000	0.000	0.001	144
3	4	DMSO	251.2	101.2	179.2	1054.9	0.002	0.003	0.021	144
3	4	DMSO	337.4	443.8	791.7	4937.7	0.009	0.011	0.053	144
3	4	DMSO	373.4	2602.8	3506.2	30323.8	0.049	0.033	0.232	144
3	4	THF	169.2	1604.6	1828.4	9837.0	0.343	0.165	0.671	144
3	4	THF	205.7	14.3	16.2	107.3	0.002	0.003	0.014	144
3	4	THF	234.7	9.2	20.8	141.7	0.000	0.001	0.003	144
3	4	THF	239.4	68.5	72.4	381.6	0.002	0.002	0.007	144
3	4	THF	241.0	22.7	22.2	99.5	0.001	0.000	0.004	144
3	4	THF	250.4	4.1	7.3	32.2	0.000	0.000	0.001	144
3	4	THF	251.2	254.1	351.0	1963.4	0.008	0.008	0.040	144
3	4	THF	337.4	122.6	116.9	840.1	0.003	0.002	0.019	144
3	4	THF	373.4	3643.6	3629.0	24476.2	0.079	0.036	0.222	144
3	4	Ethanol	169.2	1939.9	2663.0	23988.5	0.315	0.159	0.644	144
3	4	Ethanol	205.7	18.0	22.0	108.9	0.003	0.003	0.017	144
3	4	Ethanol	234.7	9.7	28.9	313.9	0.001	0.001	0.003	144
3	4	Ethanol	239.4	3.1	3.4	20.9	0.000	0.000	0.002	144
3	4	Ethanol	241.0	4.1	3.4	17.3	0.000	0.000	0.003	144
3	4	Ethanol	250.4	3.5	3.4	17.0	0.000	0.000	0.002	144
3	4	Ethanol	251.2	53.0	37.6	152.7	0.002	0.001	0.006	144
3	4	Ethanol	337.4	263.7	193.3	1112.6	0.009	0.005	0.049	144
3	4	Ethanol	373.4	553.9	508.5	2842.8	0.024	0.010	0.074	144
3	4	DCM	169.2	463.4	643.7	3574.7	0.429	0.135	0.733	144
3	4	DCM	205.7	6.8	10.5	72.0	0.005	0.008	0.056	144
3	4	DCM	234.7	1.8	9.0	77.5	0.000	0.001	0.006	144
3	4	DCM	239.4	1.6	3.8	22.9	0.000	0.001	0.005	144
3	4	DCM	241.0	6.9	17.3	111.6	0.001	0.003	0.027	144
3	4	DCM	250.4	4.4	11.7	91.1	0.001	0.002	0.009	144
3	4	DCM	251.2	68.1	211.5	1683.3	0.009	0.014	0.103	144
3	4	DCM	337.4	32.4	77.4	572.0	0.007	0.013	0.060	144
3	4	DCM	373.4	381.0	586.2	3159.2	0.072	0.062	0.206	144
3	4	Ethyl Acetate	169.2	2710.5	3037.9	15437.7	0.325	0.124	0.586	144
3	4	Ethyl Acetate	205.7	23.4	33.0	173.7	0.005	0.006	0.042	144
3	4	Ethyl Acetate	234.7	7.6	29.1	260.3	0.001	0.002	0.017	144
3	4	Ethyl Acetate	239.4	2.0	3.6	16.7	0.000	0.000	0.002	144
3	4	Ethyl Acetate	241.0	4.7	9.6	73.9	0.000	0.000	0.002	144
3	4	Ethyl Acetate	250.4	3.5	7.4	58.3	0.000	0.000	0.002	144
3	4	Ethyl Acetate	251.2	115.4	304.2	2298.6	0.005	0.009	0.058	144
3	4	Ethyl Acetate	337.4	34.3	65.0	512.9	0.002	0.002	0.012	144
3	4	Ethyl Acetate	373.4	2627.7	3123.4	13965.7	0.104	0.081	0.247	144
3	4	Methanol	169.2	1516.5	3046.6	34891.7	0.369	0.172	0.780	144
3	4	Methanol	205.7	15.8	21.8	167.1	0.003	0.004	0.028	144
3	4	Methanol	234.7	1.3	1.6	7.2	0.000	0.001	0.002	144
3	4	Methanol	239.4	1.6	2.1	15.3	0.000	0.000	0.002	144
3	4	Methanol	241.0	2.7	4.0	22.3	0.000	0.000	0.002	144
3	4	Methanol	250.4	1.3	2.3	14.7	0.000	0.000	0.002	144
3	4	Methanol	251.2	19.6	25.3	173.7	0.001	0.001	0.006	144
3	4	Methanol	337.4	288.8	315.4	1590.6	0.013	0.010	0.052	144
3	4	Methanol	373.4	510.8	507.8	2698.7	0.027	0.014	0.072	144
3			443.3	12333.9	13328.7	384.0	0.354	0.083	0.646	384

DESI-MS data of the nitrosation reaction using 5 as a nitrosation reagent

Starting Material	Starting Material	Solvent	Productm/z	Intensity (Average)	Stdev	Intensity (max)	Normalized Intensity (Average)	Normalized Stdev	Normalized Intensity (max)	No of spots, n
3	5	Ethyl Acetate	169.2	41.1	47.5	326.1	0.006	0.005	0.028	144
3	5	Ethyl Acetate	205.7	26.2	10.1	59.8	0.004	0.001	0.011	144
3	5	Ethyl Acetate	234.7	46.6	22.4	225.0	0.007	0.002	0.026	144
3	5	Ethyl Acetate	239.4	54.1	121.6	768.5	0.005	0.006	0.027	144
3	5	Ethyl Acetate	241.0	18.6	34.1	215.5	0.002	0.002	0.010	144
3	5	Ethyl Acetate	250.4	243.1	89.4	605.5	0.038	0.008	0.076	144
3	5	Ethyl Acetate	251.2	239.7	89.6	605.5	0.039	0.010	0.112	144
3	5	Ethyl Acetate	337.4	6.5	4.5	38.0	0.001	0.001	0.004	144
3	5	Ethyl Acetate	373.4	19.5	23.7	107.1	0.003	0.004	0.022	144
3	5	Ethanol	169.2	1059.5	1113.0	5710.9	0.047	0.027	0.128	144
3	5	Ethanol	205.7	44.2	47.6	224.7	0.002	0.001	0.006	144
3	5	Ethanol	234.7	22.5	14.2	73.3	0.001	0.000	0.002	144
3	5	Ethanol	239.4	437.1	485.3	2453.7	0.016	0.012	0.091	144
3	5	Ethanol	241.0	155.0	199.6	1496.5	0.005	0.004	0.027	144
3	5	Ethanol	250.4	75.4	57.5	339.3	0.003	0.002	0.009	144
3	5	Ethanol	251.2	33.5	21.6	123.8	0.001	0.000	0.003	144
3	5	Ethanol	337.4	28.4	16.3	85.8	0.001	0.000	0.003	144
3	5	Ethanol	373.4	547.1	727.2	4628.6	0.021	0.014	0.065	144
3	5	THF	169.2	77.4	147.1	824.4	0.008	0.009	0.066	144
3	5	THF	205.7	23.6	18.8	81.5	0.004	0.002	0.009	144
3	5	THF	234.7	55.6	74.9	771.9	0.008	0.004	0.020	144
3	5	THF	239.4	98.5	215.8	1279.6	0.008	0.010	0.046	144
3	5	THF	241.0	31.2	63.7	401.6	0.002	0.003	0.013	144
3	5	THF	250.4	278.7	221.3	1061.8	0.046	0.021	0.088	144
3	5	THF	251.2	285.5	222.9	1061.8	0.048	0.020	0.088	144
3	5	THF	337.4	5.7	5.9	46.3	0.001	0.001	0.007	144
3	5	THF	373.4	23.1	41.3	258.5	0.003	0.004	0.021	144
3	5	DCM	169.2	357.7	408.6	2428.0	0.028	0.018	0.076	144
3	5	DCM	205.7	56.1	22.9	159.1	0.005	0.002	0.011	144
3	5	DCM	234.7	111.7	69.4	561.9	0.010	0.003	0.017	144
3	5	DCM	239.4	255.9	372.5	1692.9	0.019	0.016	0.055	144
3	5	DCM	241.0	76.3	115.2	670.7	0.006	0.005	0.018	144
3	5	DCM	250.4	538.9	212.4	1632.1	0.057	0.017	0.086	144
3	5	DCM	251.2	551.4	202.1	1632.1	0.058	0.015	0.086	144
3	5	DCM	337.4	3.3	3.5	28.0	0.000	0.000	0.002	144
3	5	DCM	373.4	102.8	212.9	2118.2	0.007	0.007	0.038	144
3	5	Toluene	169.2	292.1	271.9	1570.8	0.025	0.016	0.098	144
3	5	Toluene	205.7	25.0	15.0	107.4	0.003	0.001	0.011	144
3	5	Toluene	234.7	37.9	32.5	268.9	0.005	0.001	0.012	144
3	5	Toluene	239.4	179.6	173.3	1095.6	0.012	0.007	0.034	144
3	5	Toluene	241.0	57.9	59.1	394.2	0.004	0.002	0.011	144
3	5	Toluene	250.4	257.8	80.3	515.9	0.040	0.006	0.054	144
3	5	Toluene	251.2	257.5	78.3	463.2	0.040	0.006	0.054	144
3	5	Toluene	337.4	5.5	4.5	24.3	0.001	0.000	0.002	144
3	5	Toluene	373.4	136.8	119.1	632.3	0.012	0.008	0.045	144
3	5	DMSO	169.2	3063.0	4126.1	20263.6	0.192	0.113	0.754	144
3	5	DMSO	205.7	28.5	52.8	347.2	0.003	0.002	0.014	144
3	5	DMSO	234.7	19.5	14.6	117.7	0.004	0.003	0.033	144
3	5	DMSO	239.4	30.2	77.6	745.0	0.002	0.003	0.016	144
3	5	DMSO	241.0	10.1	24.1	233.9	0.001	0.001	0.005	144
3	5	DMSO	250.4	108.8	94.5	872.6	0.020	0.008	0.039	144
3	5	DMSO	251.2	105.8	71.3	325.7	0.022	0.007	0.040	144
3	5	DMSO	337.4	5.5	8.9	57.0	0.001	0.001	0.007	144
3	5	DMSO	373.4	2038.4	3628.2	27327.2	0.095	0.060	0.239	144
3	5	Methanol	169.2	1526.0	1662.0	6465.5	0.070	0.055	0.179	144
3	5	Methanol	205.7	46.2	46.0	249.9	0.002	0.001	0.006	144
3	5	Methanol	234.7	24.3	25.1	113.3	0.001	0.000	0.003	144
3	5	Methanol	239.4	483.9	642.3	3403.1	0.019	0.017	0.090	144
3	5	Methanol	241.0	194.0	382.7	3346.8	0.006	0.006	0.029	144
3	5	Methanol	250.4	71.5	104.6	744.7	0.003	0.002	0.010	144
3	5	Methanol	251.2	43.1	65.4	548.5	0.002	0.001	0.006	144
3	5	Methanol	337.4	26.3	29.5	167.7	0.001	0.001	0.004	144
3	5	Methanol	373.4	1043.9	1687.0	11607.0	0.039	0.035	0.128	144
3	5	Acetonitrile	169.2	3290.0	3100.9	15073.0	0.150	0.056	0.313	144
3	5	Acetonitrile	205.7	33.4	12.5	102.0	0.004	0.001	0.008	144
3	5	Acetonitrile	234.7	57.2	44.7	317.8	0.006	0.002	0.012	144
3	5	Acetonitrile	239.4	187.1	221.0	1440.7	0.008	0.004	0.025	144
3	5	Acetonitrile	241.0	64.9	87.3	669.7	0.003	0.001	0.008	144
3	5	Acetonitrile	250.4	299.6	100.6	629.8	0.038	0.010	0.063	144
3	5	Acetonitrile	251.2	311.5	96.9	629.8	0.040	0.009	0.063	144
3	5	Acetonitrile	337.4	8.2	9.1	50.7	0.000	0.000	0.005	144
3	5	Acetonitrile	373.4	1274.8	1544.7	12113.3	0.049	0.025	0.120	144
3			443.3	40997.0	24891.7	384.0	0.654	0.118	0.807	384

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