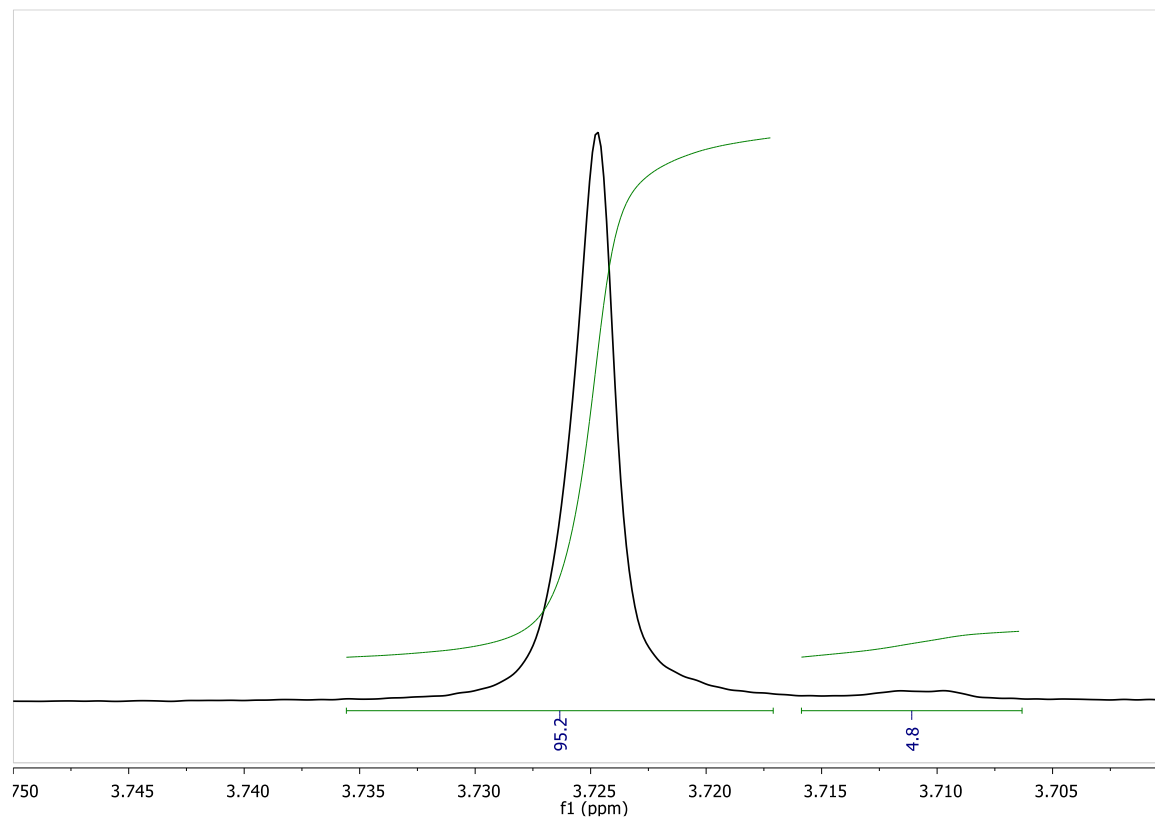




# *(R)*-10-Hydroxystearic Acid: Crystals vs. Organogel

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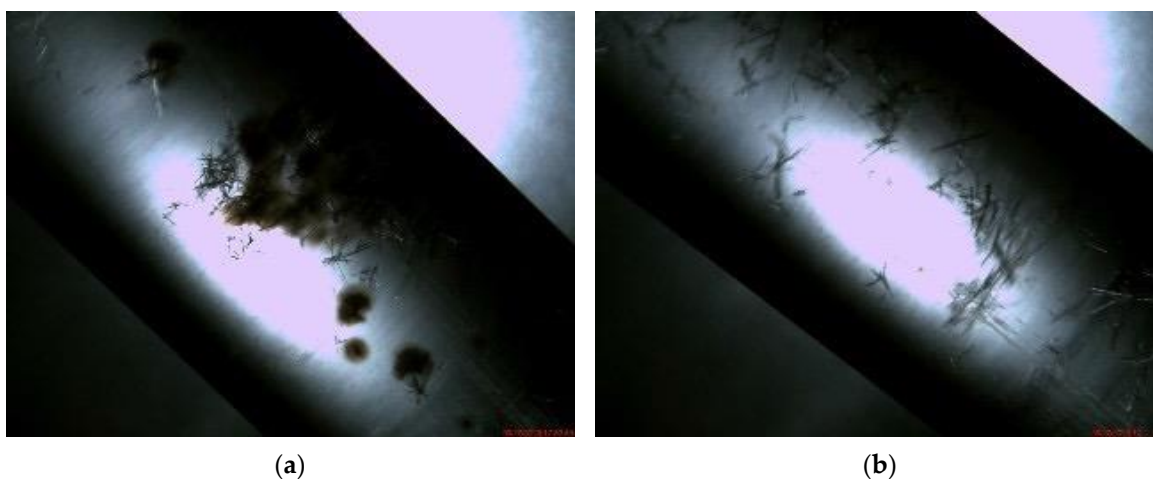
## Supplementary Material



**Figure S1.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (500 MHz) analysis of the diastereomeric mixture of the *(R)*-*O*-acetylmandelate esters obtained from the methyl esters of *(R)*-10-hydroxystearic acid (*(R)*-10-HSA). The figure shows the signal of the methoxy group [1,2].

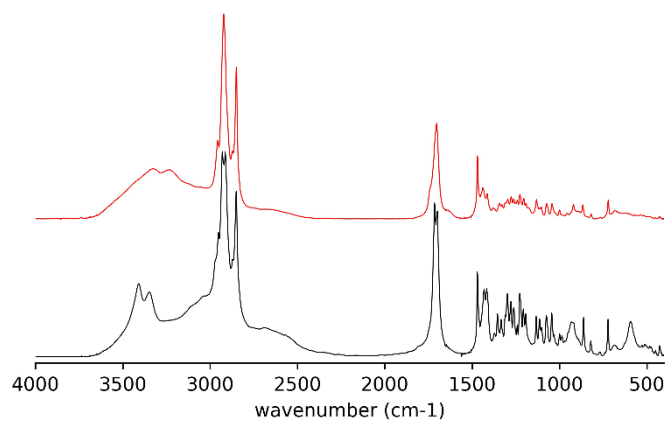


**Figure S2.** *(R)*-10-HSA (1% *w/w*) in cyclohexane.

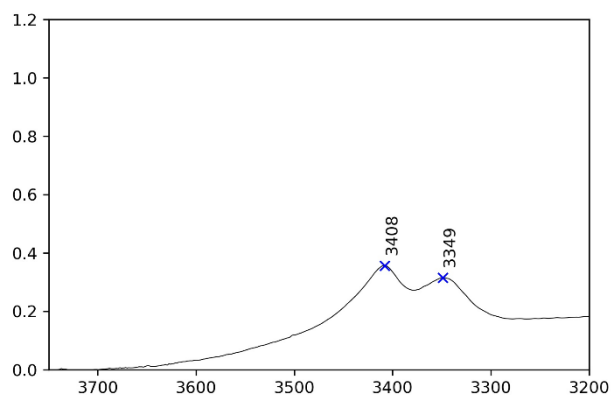


**Figure S3.** Images obtained with an optical microscope showing the evolution of (R)-10-HSA 0.5% w/w in cyclohexane in a 10 mm test tube: (a) spherulites, (b) crystals. The images were taken 15 minutes apart.

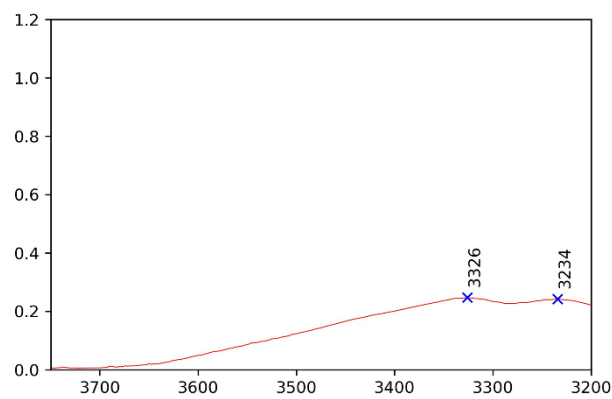
#### (R)-9-Hydroxystearic acid IR spectra



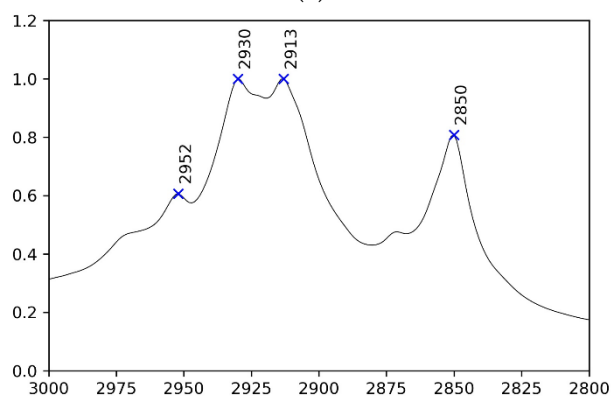
**Figure S4.** IR spectra for (R)-9-HSA crystals (black trace) and the same heat-treated sample (red trace).



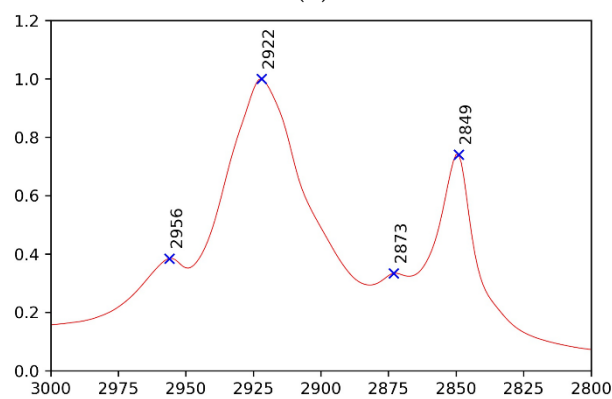
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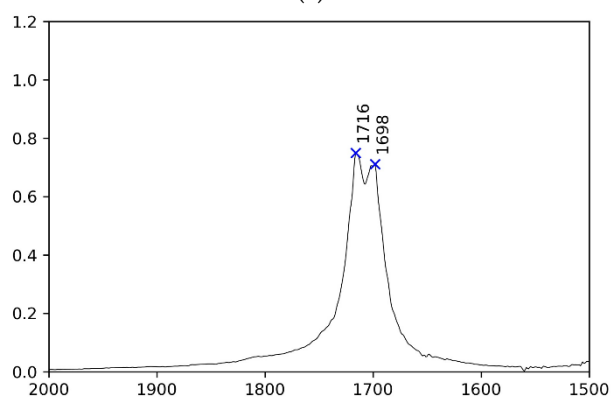
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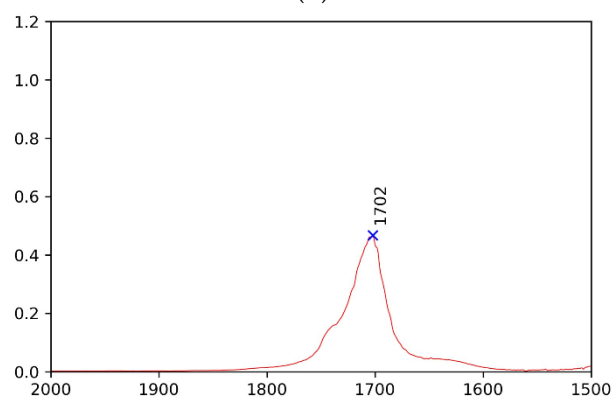
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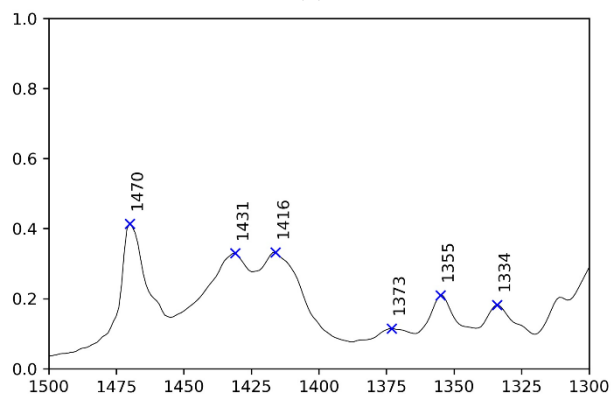
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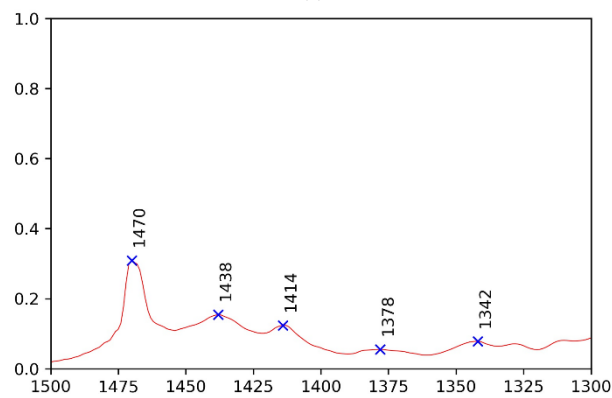
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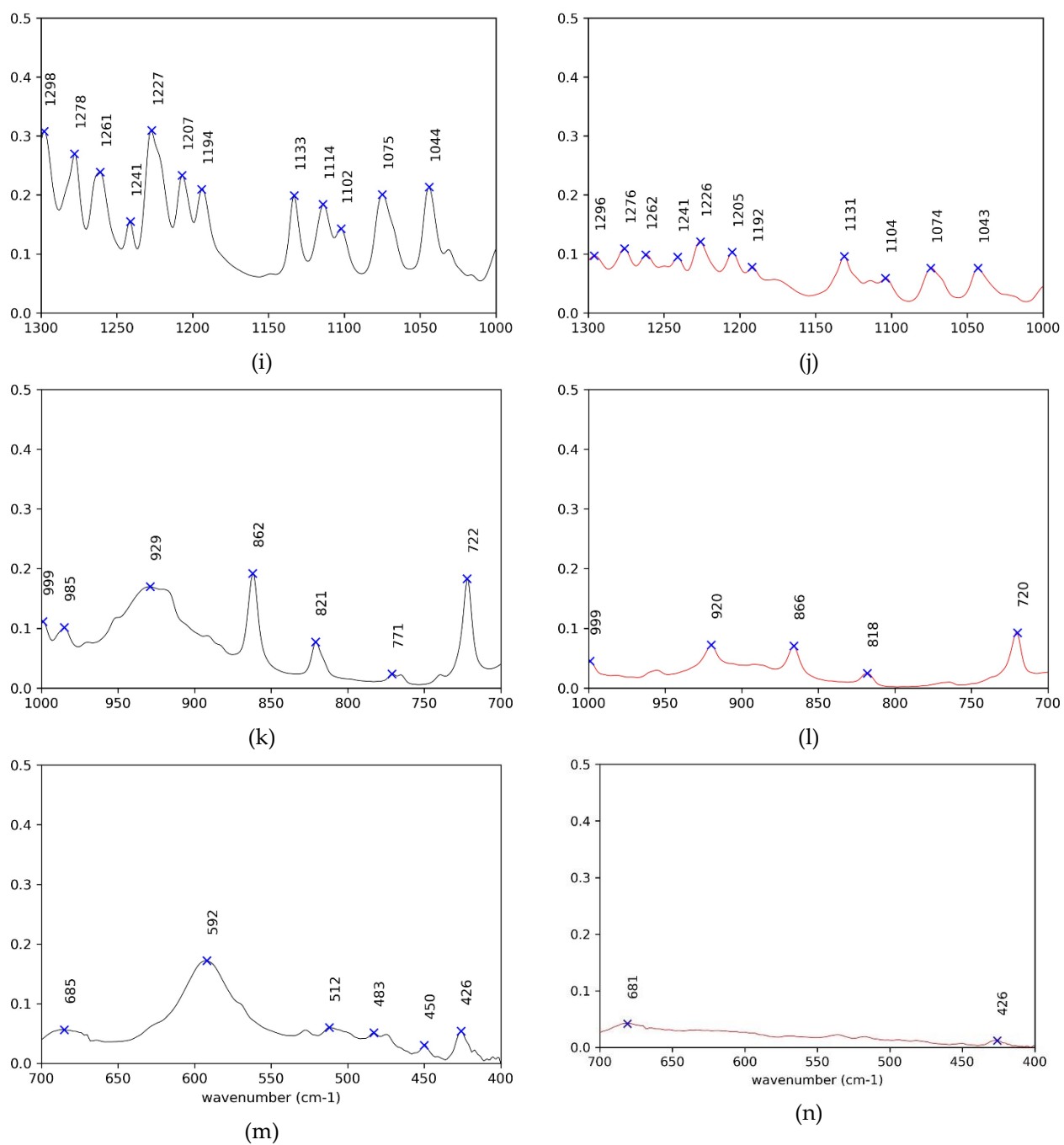
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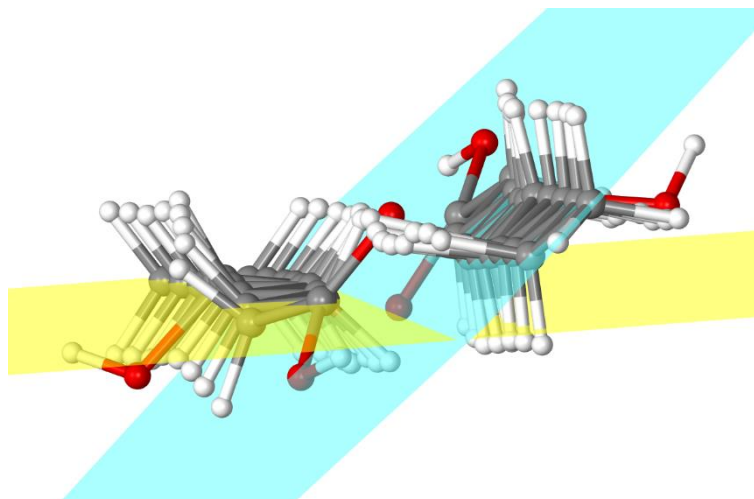
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**Figure S5.** Enlargement of the IR spectra for the (R)-9-HSA crystals (in black on the left) and the same heat-treated sample (red on the right).



**Figure S6.** Crystal structure of (*R*)-10-HSA crystallized from petroleum ether and ethyl acetate. The average planes of the two alkyl chains are rotated with respect to each other, leading to an out-of-plane conformation of the dimer.

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