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The total synthesis of principinol D, a rearranged kaurane diterpenoid, is reported. This grayanane natural product is constructed via a convergent fragment coupling approach, wherein the central 7-membered ring is synthesized at a late stage. The bicyclo[3.2.1]octane fragment is accessed by a Ni-catalyzed α-vinylation reaction. Strategic reductions include a diastereoselective Sml2-mediated ketone reduction with PhSH and a new protocol for selective ester reduction in the presence of ketones. The convergent strategy reported herein may be an entry point to the larger class of kaurane diterpenoids.

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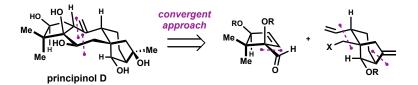
# **Supporting Information**

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# General experimental

General experimental procedures: All reactions were carried out under an inert nitrogen atmosphere with dry solvents under anhydrous conditions unless otherwise stated. All reactions were capped with a rubber septum, or Teflon–coated silicon microwave cap unless otherwise stated. Stainless steel cannula or syringe were used to transfer solvent and air- and moisture-sensitive liquid reagents. Reactions were monitored by thin–layer chromatography (TLC), carried out on 0.25 mm Merck silica gel plates (60F-254) using UV light as the visualizing agent and potassium permanganate, cerium ammonium molybdate, phosphomolybdic acid, an acidic solution of p-anisaldehyde, and vanillin as developing agents. Flash column chromatography employed SiliaFlash $^{\circ}$  P60 ( $40-60 \mu m$ ,  $230-400 \mu m$ ) silica gel purchased from SiliCycle Inc.

**Materials:** All reaction solvents were purified using a Seca solvent purification system by Glass Contour, with the exception of 1,4-dioxane, ethanol, and dimethylsulfoxide, which were used as received without further purification. Methanol was distilled over magnesium. Pyridine, *N*,*N*-diisopropylethylamine, triethylamine, and HMPA were distilled over CaH<sub>2</sub>. 2,3-dibromopropene was distilled before use. NBS was crystallized from water. IBX was synthesized according to the procedure developed by Santagostino and coworkers. K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> was purchased from Acros. All other reagents were used as received without further purification, unless otherwise stated.

**Instrumentation**: All new compounds were characterized by means of R<sub>f</sub>, optical rotation (where applicable), <sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR, FT–IR (thin film), and HR–MS. Copies of the <sup>1</sup>H– and <sup>13</sup>C–NMR spectra can be found at the end of each experimental procedure. NMR spectra were recorded using a Varian 400 MHz NMR spectrometer, Varian 500 MHz NMR spectrometer, or Varian 600 MHz NMR spectrometer. All <sup>1</sup>H–NMR data are reported in δ units, parts per million (ppm), and were calibrated relative to the signals for residual chloroform (7.26 ppm) in deuterochloroform (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) or residual methanol (3.31 ppm) in deuteromethanol (CD<sub>3</sub>OD). All <sup>13</sup>C–NMR data are reported in ppm relative to CDCl<sub>3</sub> (77.16 ppm) or CD<sub>3</sub>OD (49.00) and were obtained with <sup>1</sup>H decoupling. The following abbreviations or combinations thereof were used to explain the multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, br = broad, m = multiplet, and a = apparent. All IR spectra were taken on an FT–IR/Raman Thermo Nicolet 6700. High resolution mass spectra (HR–MS) were recorded on a Bruker microTOF mass spectrometer using ESI–TOF (electrospray ionization–time of flight). Optical rotation data was obtained using a Perkin-Elmer 341 polarimeter.

# Synthetic route towards the 5-membered ring fragment

#### **Keto-alcohol SI-2**:

The following procedure was modified from the reported protocol.<sup>2,3</sup>

2,2-dimethylcyclopentanedione (10.4 g, 254 mmol) was dissolved in toluene (170 mL, 0.5 M). Et<sub>2</sub>NPh (4.0 mL, 41.2 mmol, 0.5 equiv) and (R)-(+)-2-Butyl-CBS-oxazaborolidine solution (1 M in toluene; 8.25 mL, 8.25 mmol, 0.1 equiv) were added. The reaction mixture was cooled to -60 °C using a chloroform/dry ice bath. A solution of catecholborane (15.6 mL, 147 mmol, 1.78 equiv) in toluene (140 mL, 1.0 M) was added via addition funnel over two hours. The reaction was stirred at -60 °C for two more hours. MeOH (30 mL) was then added slowly down the side of the flask, then moved to room temperature. Et<sub>2</sub>O was added (200 mL), followed by NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (100 mL) and 3 N NaOH (100 mL), upon which the reaction mixture turned brown. The reaction was stirred for one hour, then extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O three times (200 mL each). The organic layers were washed with water (200 mL) and brine (200 mL), dried with Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and filtered. In order to remove the toluene before concentration by rotary evaporation, the compound was loaded onto a silica plug. The toluene was flushed through with pentane, then the compound was eluted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (R<sub>f</sub> = 0.6 in Et<sub>2</sub>O) into a separate flask and concentrated. Subsequent purification by flash column chromatography (hexanes)  $\rightarrow$ 50% Et<sub>2</sub>O /hexanes) afforded product SI-2 in 72% yield (7.52 g, 86% ee).

The characterization data are consistent with those reported in the literature.<sup>2,3</sup>

 $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.45$  (40% Et<sub>2</sub>O in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; UV-active, stains yellow in p-anisaldehyde);

 $[\alpha]_D^{20.0}$ : +12.7° (c 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) (lit = -14.9 for the enantiomer);<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 4.05 (m, 1H), 2.51-2.43 (m, 1H), 2.30-2.20 (m, 2H), 1.95-1.87 (m, 1H), 1.65 (d, J = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 1.04, (s, 6H);

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 221.6, 78.2, 50.2, 34.3, 27.8, 22.2, 16.9.

## **TBS-protected alcohol SI-3:**

Keto-alcohol **SI-2** (9.9 g, 77.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in DMF (50 mL, 1.5 M). Imidazole (14.3 g, 210 mmol, 2.8 equiv), DMAP (1.82 g, 120 mmol, 0.2 equiv), and TBSCl (15.56 g, 100 mmol, 1.4 equiv) were added sequentially. The reaction mixture was heated to 60 °C. After 7 hours, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature, then filtered through cotton and sand. Sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (200 mL) was added, and the mixture was extracted with a 1:1 solution of Et<sub>2</sub>O in hexane (200 mL x 3), followed by hexane (100 mL x 2). The organic layers were washed with brine (4 x 100 mL), separated, dried with Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The compound was flushed through a silica plug, eluting with EtOAc. The solution was concentrated, producing a colorless oil (18.0 g, 95% yield).

The characterization data are consistent with those reported in the literature.<sup>3</sup>

## **Enone 5:**

Ketone **SI-3** (12.1 g, 49.6 mmol) was dissolved in DMSO (500 mL, 0.1 M). IBX (42.4 g, 149 mmol, 3.0 equiv) was added, followed by NMO (17.4, 149 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The reaction apparatus was heated to 80 °C. After 12 hours, the reaction was cooled to 0 °C and ½ sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (300 mL) was added. EtOAc was added, then the reaction mixture was filtered through a fritted funnel. The resulting filtrate was extracted with EtOAc (300 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (300 mL), then washed with brine (200 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by silica plug, flushing with Et<sub>2</sub>O, afforded enone **5** (10.0 g, 84%) as a colorless oil.

The characterization data are consistent with those reported in the literature. 4,5

#### **Dithiane SI-4:**

1,3-dithiane (11.5 g, 98.1 mmol, 3.0 equiv) was dissolved in THF (350 mL, 0.1 M). The solution was cooled to -78 °C, then *n*-butyllithium (2.5 M in hexanes, 41 mL, 98.1 mmol, 3.0 equiv) was added. After 45 minutes of stirring at -78 °C, the reaction mixture was warmed to -40 °C and stirred for 1.5 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled back to -78 °C, and ketone **5** (8.0 g, 32.8 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added as a solution in THF (10 mL). The reaction mixture was slowly warmed to 0 °C. After 4.5 hours, the reaction was quenched by addition of sat. aq. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (200 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (150 mL × 3) and the combined organic layers were washed with brine (100 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes  $\rightarrow$  20% CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/hexanes) afforded dithiane **SI-4** (8.11 g, 69%) as a colorless oil.

 $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.54$  (75% Et<sub>2</sub>O in hexanes; UV-active, stains brown in *p*-anisaldehyde);

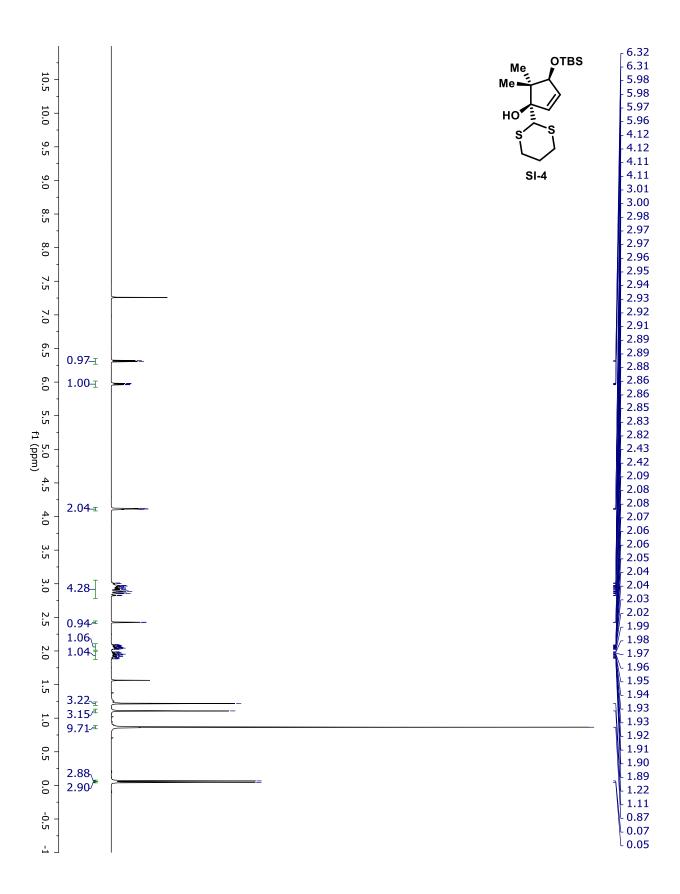
 $[\alpha]_D^{25.0}$ : 75.4 ° (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>);

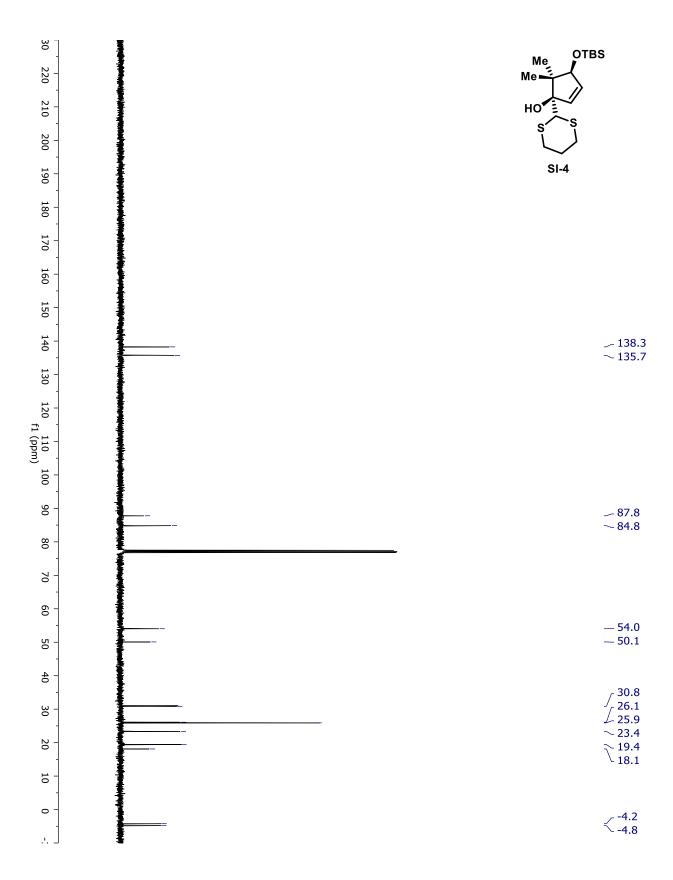
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 6.31 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 5.97 (dd, J = 5.9, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.12 – 4.10 (m, 2H), 3.03 - 2.81 (m, 4H), 2.43 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 1.22 (s, 1H), 1.11 (s, 1H), 0.87 (s, 9H), 0.07 (s, 3H), 0.05 (s, 3H).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 138.3, 135.7, 87.8, 84.8, 54.0, 50.1, 30.8, 26.1, 25.9, 23.4, 19.4, 18.1, -4.2, -4.8.

**IR** (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3505, 2954, 2929, 2896, 2856, 1471, 1384, 1362, 1252, 1136, 1066, 1004, 864, 836, 776, 670;

**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+Na]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{17}H_{32}NaO_2S_2Si^+$ : 383.1505; found: 383.2195.





# **MOM-protected dithiane SI-5:**

Dithiane **SI-4** (8.55 g, 23.7 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in THF (120 mL, 0.2 M) in a flask equipped with a reflux condenser.  $i\text{-Pr}_2\text{NEt}$  (25 mL, 142 mmol, 6.0 equiv) was added, followed by  $n\text{-Bu}_4\text{NI}$  (5.28 g, 14.3 mmol, 0.6 equiv) and chloromethyl methyl ether (9.0 mL, 5.0 equiv). The reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C and stirred for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was then cooled to 23 °C, followed by addition of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (120 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (30 mL × 4) and the combined organic layers were washed with brine (200 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes  $\rightarrow$  20% Et<sub>2</sub>O/hexanes) afforded MOM-protected dithiane **SI-5** (8.38 g, 87%) as a colorless oil.

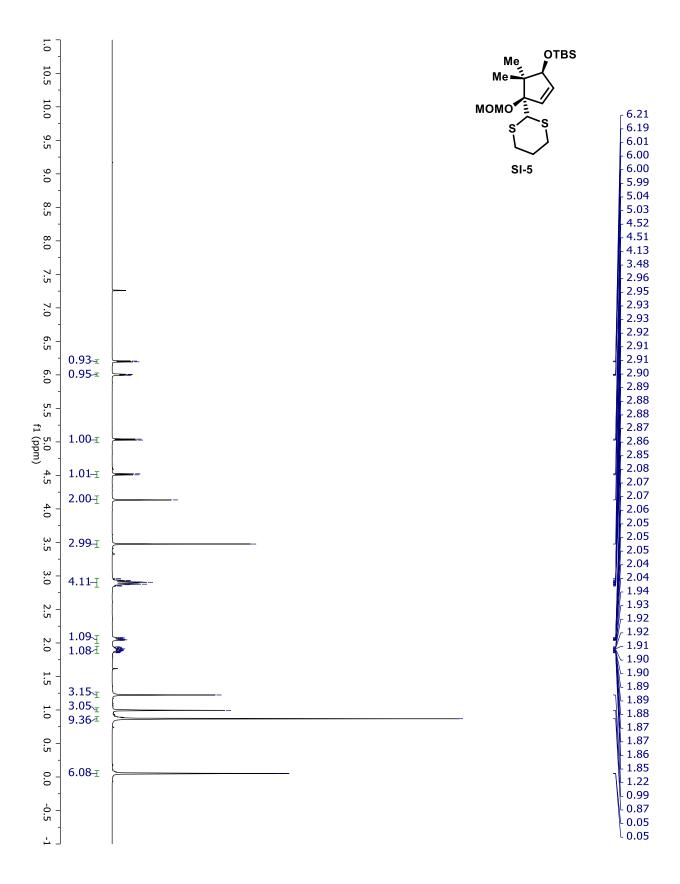
 $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.40 \text{ (25\% Et}_2\text{O in hexanes; UV-active, stains yellow-brown in } p\text{-anisaldehyde});$  $[\boldsymbol{\alpha}]_{D}^{\mathbf{20.0}}: -6.9 \, ^{\circ} \, (c \, 1.0, \, \text{CHCl}_3);$ 

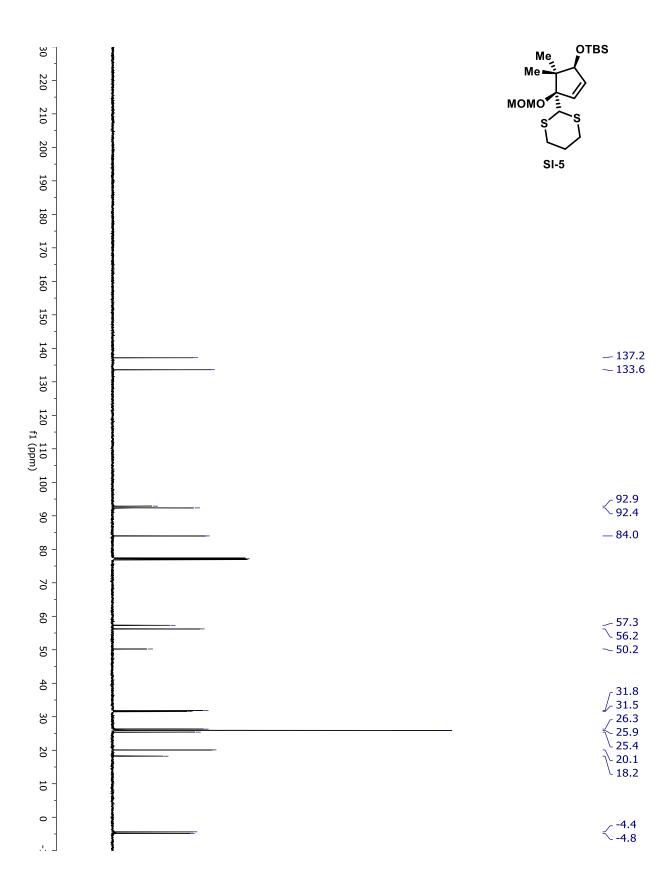
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 6.20 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 6.00 (dd, J = 6.0, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 4.13 (s, 1H), 3.48 (s, 2H), 2.98 – 2.83 (m, 3H), 2.09 – 2.03 (m, 1H), 1.95 – 1.85 (m, 1H), 1.22 (s, 3H), 0.99 (s, 3H), 0.87 (s, 9H), 0.05 (s, 3H), 0.05 (s, 4H);

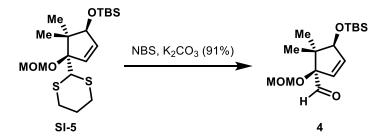
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 137.2, 133.6, 92.9, 92.4, 84.0, 57.3, 56.2, 50.2, 31.8, 31.5, 26.3, 25.9, 25.4, 20.1, 18.2, -4.4, -4.8;

**IR** (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2953, 2929, 2891, 2856, 1471, 1362, 1252, 1156, 1137, 1091, 1068, 1021, 961, 920, 872, 835, 775, 669;

**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+Na]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{19}H_{36}NaO_3S_2Si^+$ : 427.1767; found: 427.1767.







# Aldehyde 4:

Freshly crystallized *N*-bromosuccinimide<sup>6</sup> (4.37 g, 24.5 mmol, 6.6 equiv) was dissolved in MeCN (36 mL). <sup>7</sup> A solution of K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>\* (6.55 g, 47.4 mmol, 12.8 equiv) in water (11 mL) was added, and the reaction flask was cooled to -10 °C. A solution of dithiane SI-5 (1.50 g, 3.70 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in MeCN (7 mL, 0.07 M) was added. The resulting mixture was stirred at -10 °C for 1 hour. Sat. aq. Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> (50 mL) was added. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL × 3) and the combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. The resulting solution was concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. The resulting solution was concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. The resulting oil was purified by SiO<sub>2</sub> plug, flushing with 20% Et<sub>2</sub>O/hexanes to produce aldehyde 4 (1.06 g, 91% yield) as a light yellow oil.

\*Complete dissolution of K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> is necessary for the success of the reaction.

 $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.51$  (20% Et<sub>2</sub>O in hexanes; not UV-active, stains pink in *p*-anisaldehyde);

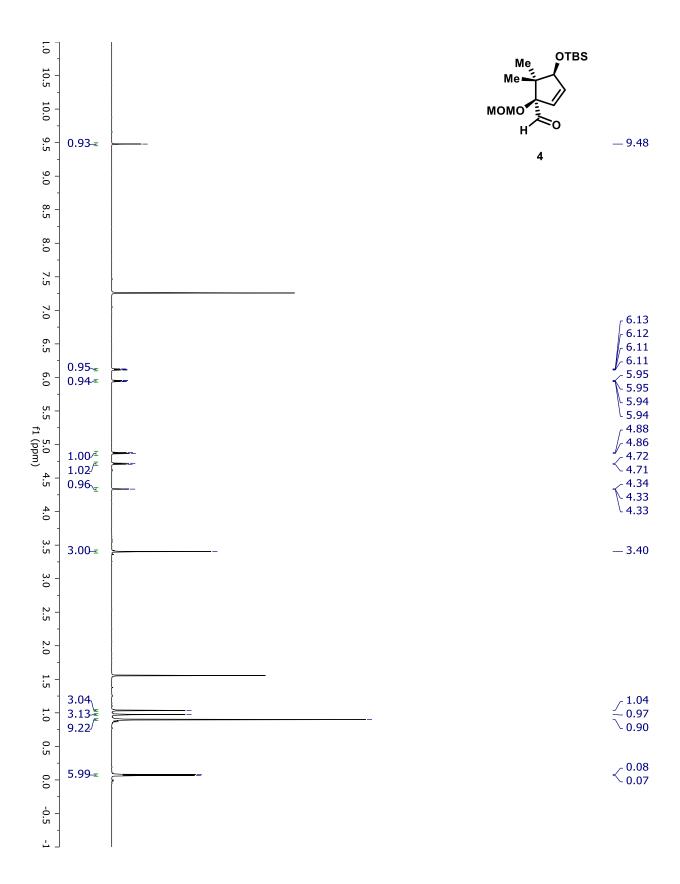
 $[\alpha]_D^{20.0}: +208.7 \circ (c \ 1.0, \text{CHCl}_3);$ 

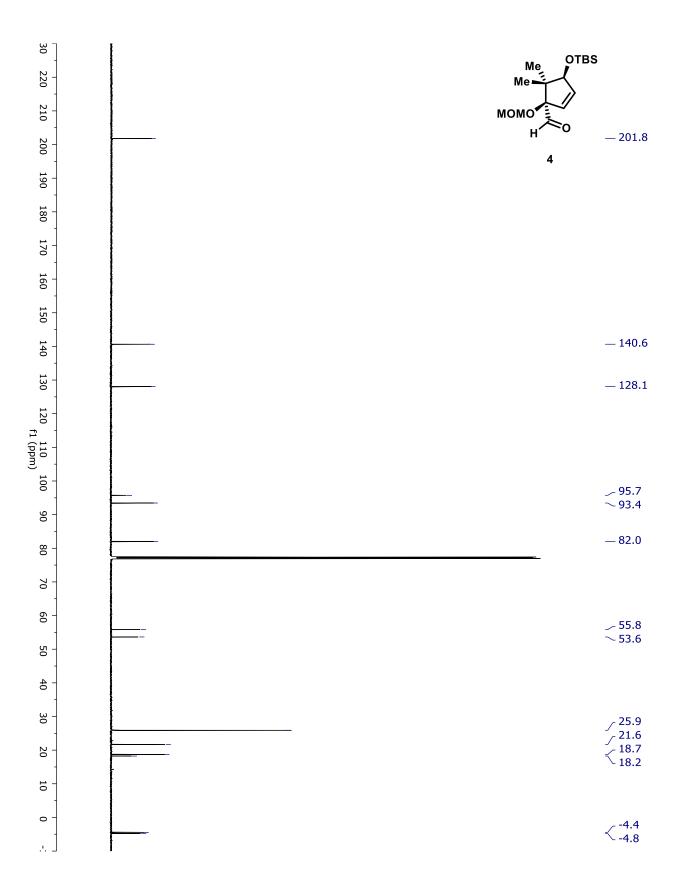
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 9.48 (s, 1H), 6.12 (dd, J = 6.1, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.95 (dd, J = 6.1, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (t, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (s, 3H), 1.04 (s, 3H), 0.98 (s, 3H), 0.90 (s, 9H), 0.08 (s, 3H), 0.07 (s, 3H);

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 201.8, 140.6, 128.1, 95.7, 93.5, 82.0, 55.8, 53.6, 25.9, 21.6, 18.7, 18.2, -4.4, -4.8;

**IR** (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2956, 2930, 2887, 2857, 1732, 1471, 1388, 1362, 1253, 1217, 1148, 1099, 1039, 1026, 1006, 938, 920, 872, 836, 775, 727, 670;

**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+Na]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{16}H_{30}NaO_4Si^+$ : 337.1806; found: 337.1775.





# Synthetic route towards the bicyclo[3.2.1]octane fragment

## **β-keto ester 7:**

In a 2-L flask, CuBr·SMe<sub>2</sub> (7.5 g, 36 mmol. 0.1 equiv) was suspended in THF (70 mL; 0.6 M, total) and cooled to -50 °C. Vinylmagnesium bromide solution (1.0 M in THF, 400 mL, 400 mmol, 1.1 equiv) was added to the reaction via addition funnel over 40 minutes. After 20 minutes, the reaction flask was cooled to -72 °C. Cyclohexenone (35.2 mL, 264 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added after 10 minutes. After 2 hours of stirring, freshly distilled DMPU (112 mL, 928 mmol, 3.5 equiv) was added, followed by ethyl cyanoformate (39.5 mL, 400 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The reaction mixture was allowed to slowly warm to room temperature, and was quenched after 3 hours by addition of H<sub>2</sub>O (300 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (500 mL × 3) and the combined organic layers were washed with brine (500 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. The compound was distilled under reduced pressure to produce product 7 as a colorless oil (53.4 g, 75% yield). The characterization data are consistent with those reported in the literature.<sup>7</sup>

 $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.54, 0.64 (30\% \text{ EtOAc in hexanes; UV-active, stain pink-purple in } p$ -anisaldehyde);

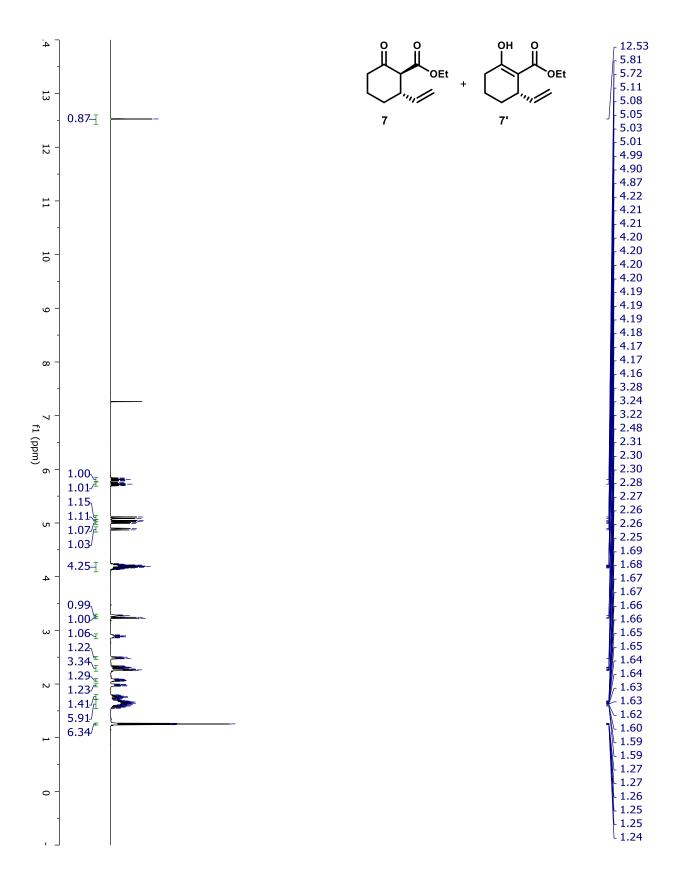
Note: The keto and enol tautomers are present in approximately a 1:1 ratio

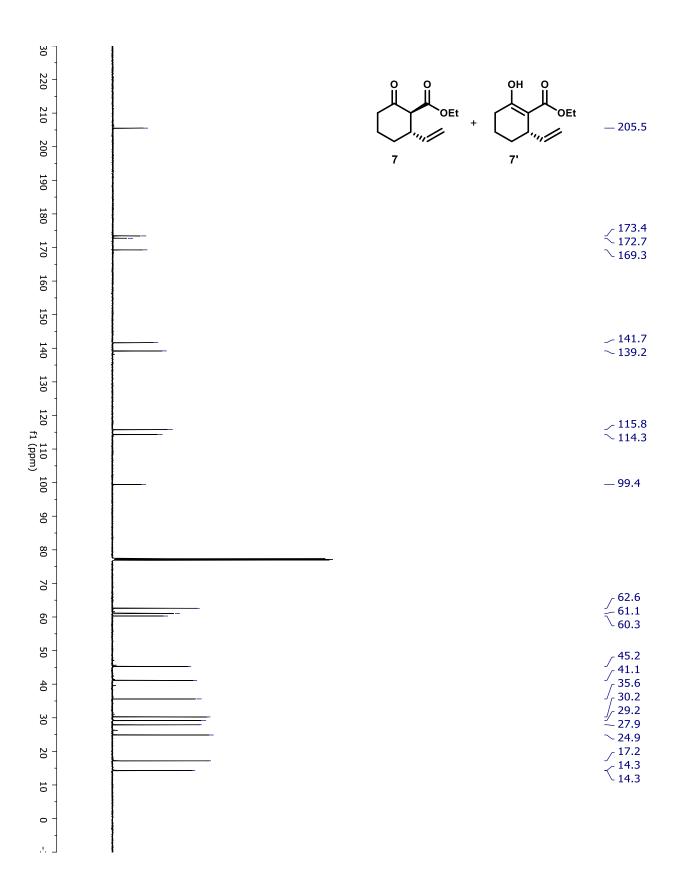
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 12.53 (s, 1H), 5.81 (ddd, J = 16.6, 10.3, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 5.72 (ddd, J = 17.4, 10.4, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 4.89 (d, J = 17.1 Hz, 1H), 4.26 – 4.13 (m, 4H), 3.28 (s, 1H), 3.30 – 3.26 (m, 1H), 3.23 (d, J = 11.3 Hz, 1H), 2.89 (tdd, J = 11.3, 7.3, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (dt, J = 14.2, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 2.35 – 2.24 (m, 3H), 2.07 (ddt, J = 13.6, 7.1, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.98 (dq, J = 12.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 1.76 (qt, J = 13.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.71 – 1.54 (m, 5H), 1.27 – 1.24 (m, 8H);

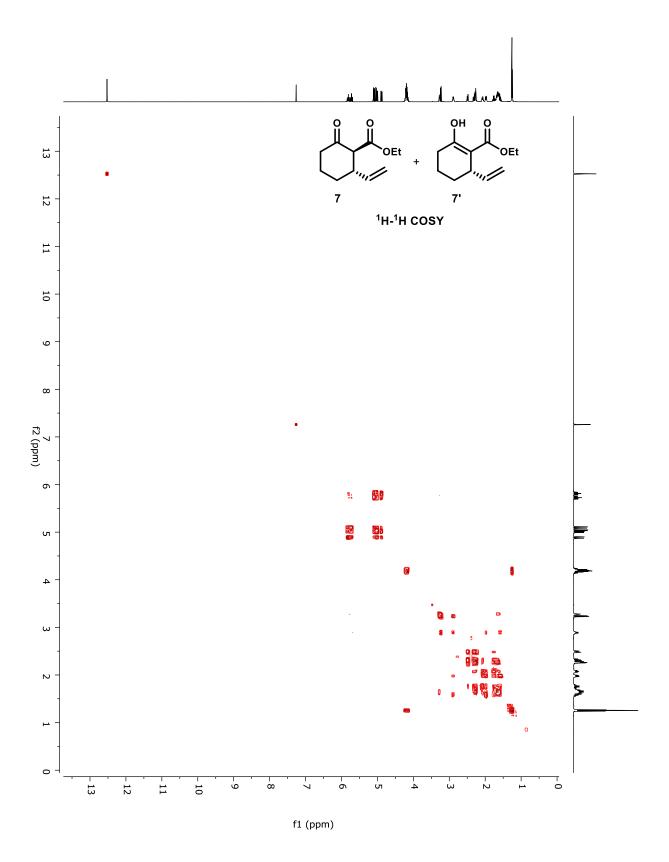
<sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 205.5, 173.4, 172.7, 169.3, 141.7, 139.2, 115.8, 114.3, 99.4, 62.6, 61.1, 60.3, 45.2, 41.1, 35.6, 30.2, 29.2, 27.9, 24.9, 17.2, 14.3, 14.3;

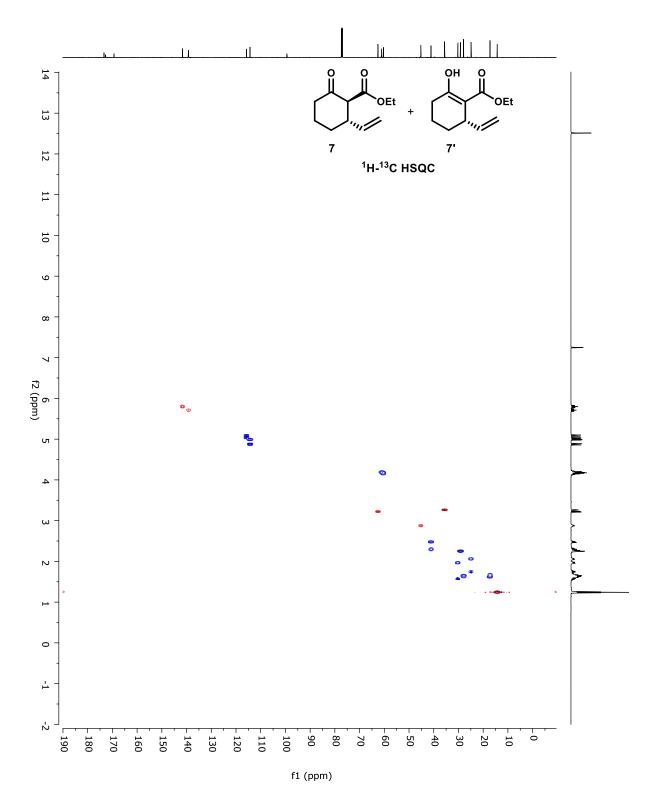
IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2940, 1745, 1715, 1644, 1612, 1267, 1220, 1091;

**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+Na]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{11}H_{16}O_3Na^+$ : 219.0992; found: 219.1013.









# Allyl β-keto ester SI-6:

Sodium hydride (60% mineral oil dispersion, 0.51 g, 12.8 mmol, 1.3 equiv) was suspended in DMF (25 mL, 0.4 M) and cooled to 0 °C.  $\beta$ -keto ester 7 (2.03 g, 10.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was suspended in DMF (2 mL) and added slowly to the suspension of NaH. 2,3-dibromopropene (1.20 mL, 12.2 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was added after one hour. The reaction mixture was allowed to slowly warm to 23 °C over 13 hours. The mixture was then diluted with EtOAc (80 mL) and quenched at 0 °C by addition of sat. aq. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (30 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (30 mL × 3) and the combined organic layers were washed with water (100 mL x 5), brine (150 mL x 2), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation to give **SI-6** (3.14 g). The crude compound was used in the next step without further purification.

A small sample was purified for analysis using flash column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes  $\rightarrow$  5% Et<sub>2</sub>O/hexanes), affording allylated  $\beta$ -keto ester **SI-6** as a colorless oil.

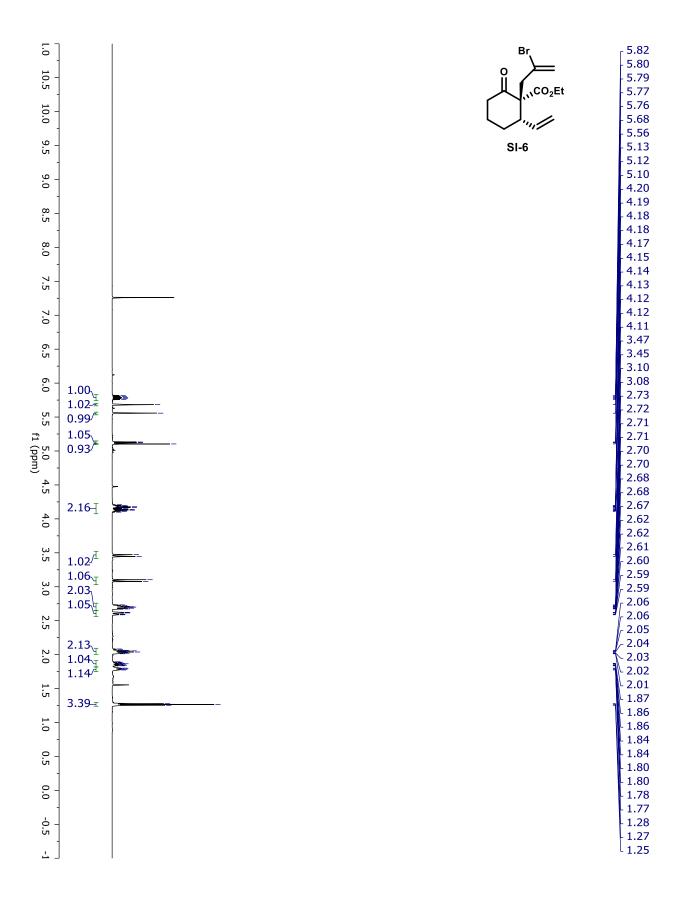
 $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.19$  (5% Et<sub>2</sub>O in hexanes; UV-active, stains orange in *p*-anisaldehyde);

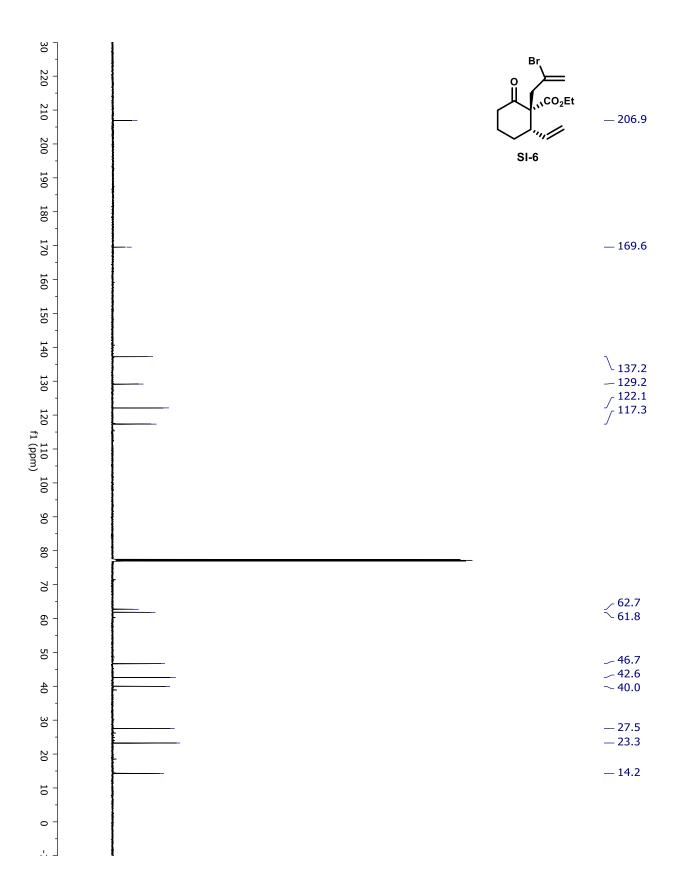
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.79 (dt, J = 17.7, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 5.68 (s, 1H), 5.56 (s, 1H), 5.13 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (s, 1H), 4.22 – 4.09 (m, 2H), 3.46 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 3.09 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (ddd, J = 15.9, 8.0, 4.6 Hz, 2H), 2.63 – 2.57 (m, 1H), 2.11 – 2.00 (m, 2H), 1.86 (ddt, J = 13.1, 8.5, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 1.82 – 1.75 (m, 1H), 1.27 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H);

<sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 206.9, 169.5, 137.2, 129.2, 122.1, 117.3, 62.7, 61.8, 46.7, 42.6, 40.0, 27.5, 23.3, 14.2;

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2940, 1739, 1707, 1624, 1419, 1227, 1203, 1181, 1020;

**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+H]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{14}H_{20}BrO_3^+$ : 315.0590; found: 315.0562.





#### **Keto-alcohol 8:**

To a 0 °C solution of crude allyl β-keto ester SI-6 (3.14 g, 9.96 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (100 mL, 0.1 M) was added Zn(TMP)<sub>2</sub> (0.5 M in PhMe, 22 mL, 11 mmol, 1.1 equiv). The solution was allowed to stir at this temperature for 20 min, followed by the addition of LiBH<sub>3</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub> (1.0 M in THF, 10 mL, 9.96 mmol, 1.0 equiv) over the course of 2 min. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 45 min and then removed from the ice-water bath and allowed to stir at room temperature for 15 min after which time the reaction was re-cooled to 0 °C using a ice-water bath. The mixture was then *slowly* quenched with sat. aq. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (85 mL). The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 x 30 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine (200 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation to yield an orange oil that was used in the next reaction without purification.

Keto-alcohol **8** (2.91 g, 9.96 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in DMF (100 mL, 0.1 M), followed by the addition of imidazole (6.79 g, 100 mmol, 10.0 equiv), DMAP (365 mg, 2.99 mmol, 0.3 equiv) and then TBSCl (7.64 g, 50.1 mmol, 5.0 equiv). The reaction was then transferred to an oil bath pre-heated to 40 °C and allowed to stir at this temperature for 16 hr. The mixture was then diluted with EtOAc (100 mL) and quenched with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (100 mL). The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (4 x 30 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with water (3 x 200 mL), brine (2 x 300 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation to yield the crude product. The material was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (hexanes  $\rightarrow$  1% Et<sub>2</sub>O/hexanes) to yield ketone **9** as a yellow oil (1.39 g, 35%, 3 steps).

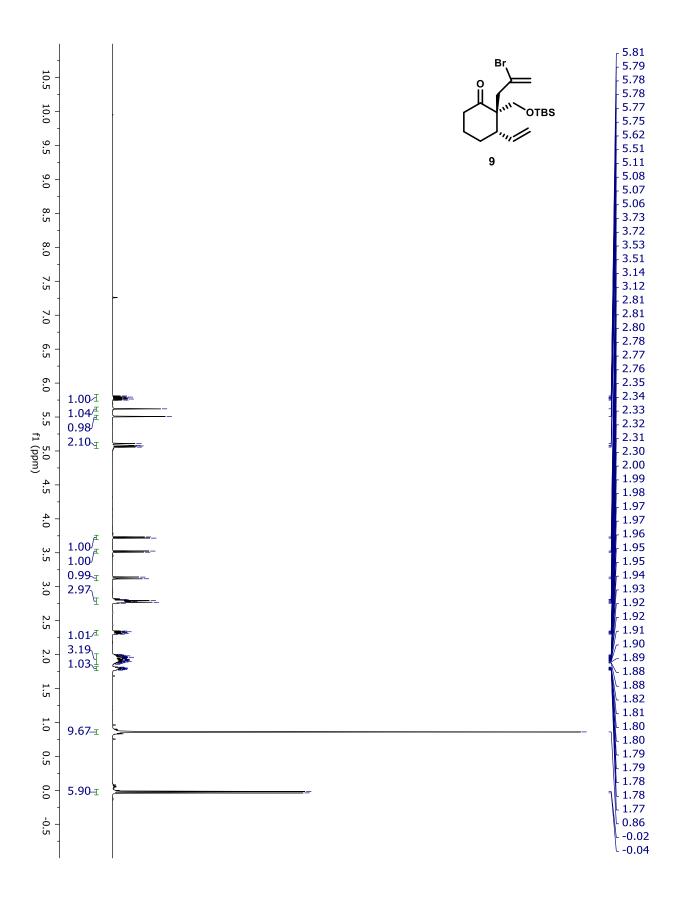
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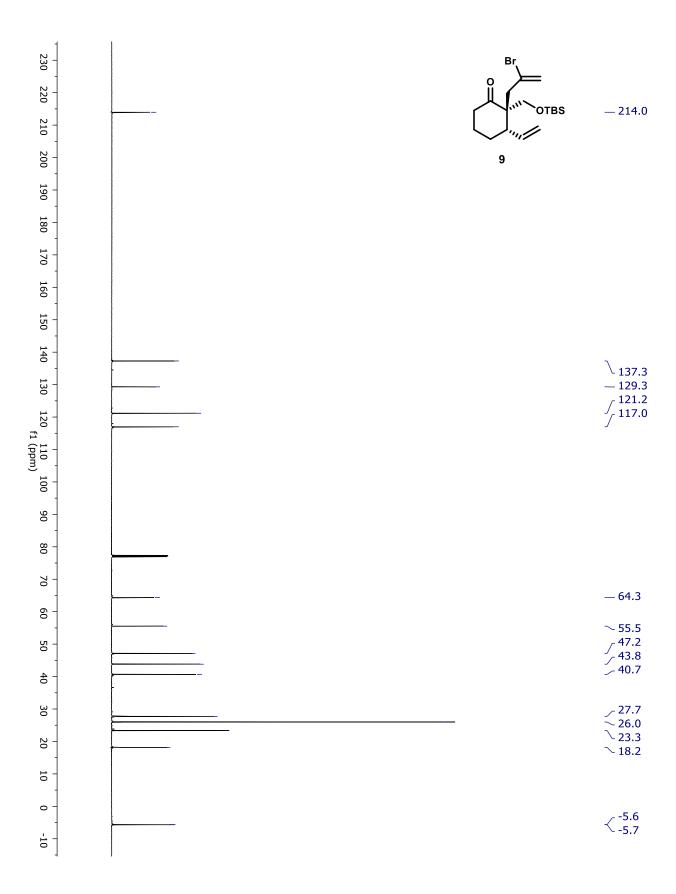
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.78 (dt, J = 17.0, 9.7 Hz, 1H), 5.62 (s, 1H), 5.51 (s, 1H), 5.09 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.52 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.13 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.84 – 2.75 (m, 2H), 2.78 (d, J = 14.9 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (dt, J = 15.0, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.93 (m, 3H), 1.79 (m, 1H), 0.86 (s, 9H), -0.02 (s, 3H), -0.04 (s, 3H);

<sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 214.0, 137.3, 129.3, 121.2, 117.0, 64.3, 55.5, 47.1, 43.8, 40.7, 27.7, 26.0, 23.3, 18.2, -5.6, -5.7;

**IR** (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2929, 1703, 1625, 1471, 1257, 978, 1074, 836, 777;

**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+H]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{18}H_{32}BrO_2Si^+$ : 387.1349; found: 387.1372.





## Bicyclo[3.2.1]octane keto-alcohol 10:

To a -40 °C solution of 9 (2.31 g, 5.96 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (30 mL, 0.2 M) was added LiHMDS (1.0 M in THF, 11.9 mL, 11.9 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and the resulting solution was stirred for 1 h. NiCl<sub>2</sub>(PCy<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (1.23 g, 1.78 mmol, 0.3 equiv) was added into the resulting solution at the same temperature. After stirring for 3 min at -40 °C, the mixture was placed into a preheated 50-°C oil bath and stirred for 2 h. After the mixture was cooled down to room temperature, sat. aq. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (25 mL) was added, and the organic phase was separated. The aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 25 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. THF was added (44 mL) and cooled with an ice-water bath; 6 N HCl (88 mL) was added. The mixture was allowed to slowly warm to room temperature over 1 h, at which time it was diluted with H<sub>2</sub>O (50 mL) and Et<sub>2</sub>O (50 mL). The organic phase was separated and the aqueous phase was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3 × 25 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. An identical procedure was followed using an additional batch of material of similar scale (2.82 g, 7.28 mmol) and the two batches were combined before purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes/EtOAc =  $5:1 \rightarrow 2:1$ ) to afford alcohol 10 (1.88 g, 74%) as a colorless oil.

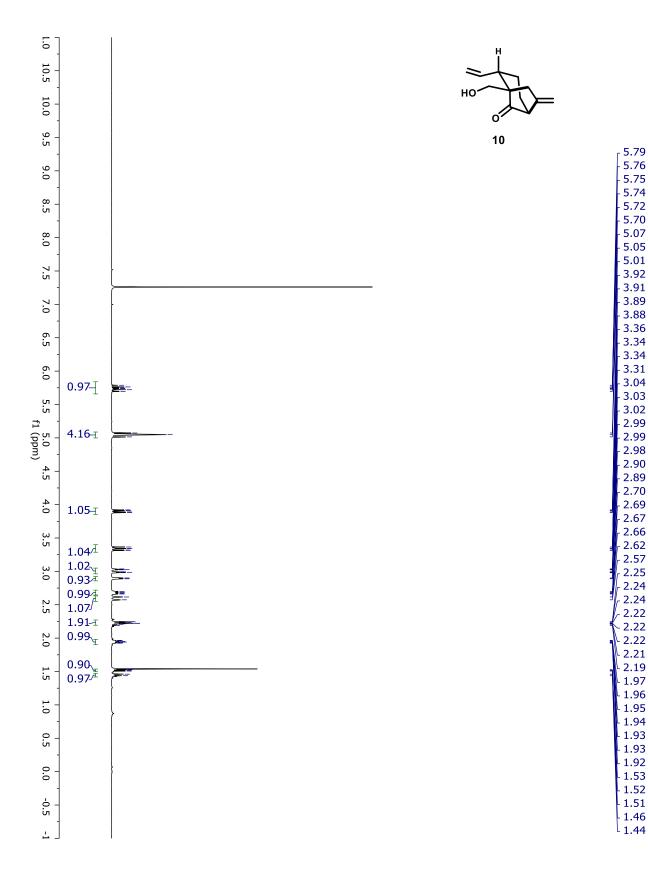
 $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.35$  (25% EtOAc in hexanes; not UV-active, stains blue in *p*-anisaldehyde);

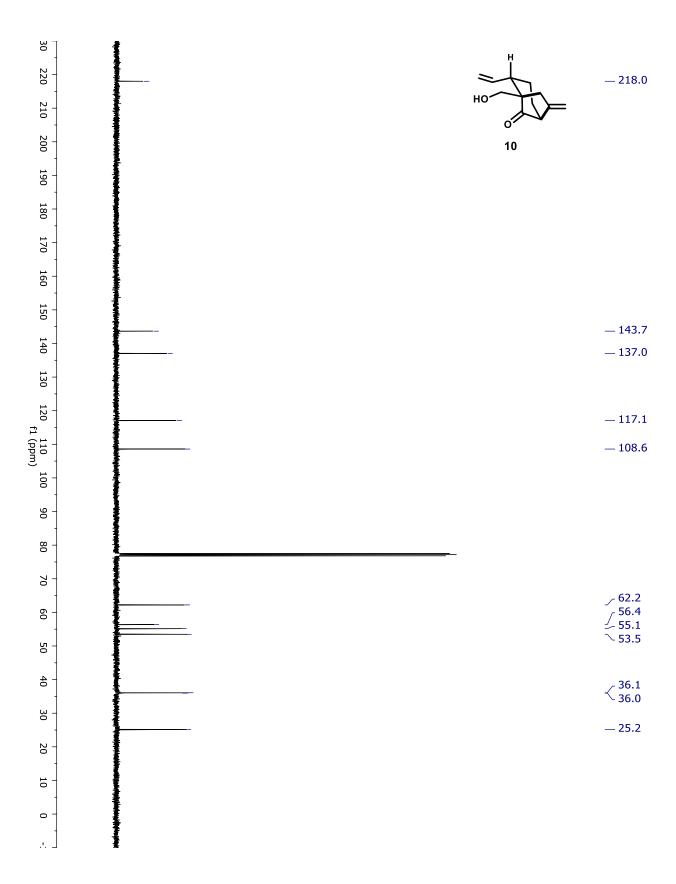
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.74 (dt, J = 16.8, 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.10 – 4.99 (m, 4H), 3.90 (dd, J = 11.8, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.34 (dd, J = 11.8, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (dt, J = 17.3, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.68 (dd, J = 10.0, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (d, J = 17.1 Hz, 1H), 2.27 – 2.18 (m, 2H), 1.99 – 1.90 (m, 1H), 1.54 – 1.50 (m, 1H), 1.45 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H);

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 218.0, 143.7, 137.0, 117.1, 108.6, 62.2, 56.4, 55.1, 53.5, 36.1, 36.0, 25.2;

**IR** (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3434, 2939, 1747, 1659, 1448, 1337, 1178, 1053, 1018, 923, 883;

**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+H]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{12}H_{17}O_2^+$ : 193.1223; found: 193.1228.





## **Diol 11:**

To a 0 °C solution of keto alcohol **10** (3.65 g, 18.5 mmol) in THF (180 mL, 0.1 M) was subsequently added PhSH (11.4 mL, 111 mmol, 6.0 equiv), HMPA (32 mL, 185 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and  $SmI_2$  (0.1 M in THF, 555 mL, 55.5 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The resulting solution was stirred for 1 h at the same temperature. The reaction was stopped by addition of sat. aq.  $Na_2S_2O_3$  (300 mL), and diluted with EtOAc (250 mL). The resulting suspension was then filtered through a fritted funnel. The organic layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 200 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with brine (400 mL), dried over anhydrous  $Na_2SO_4$ , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (15%  $\rightarrow$  50% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded diol **11** (3.41 g, 95%) as a white solid.

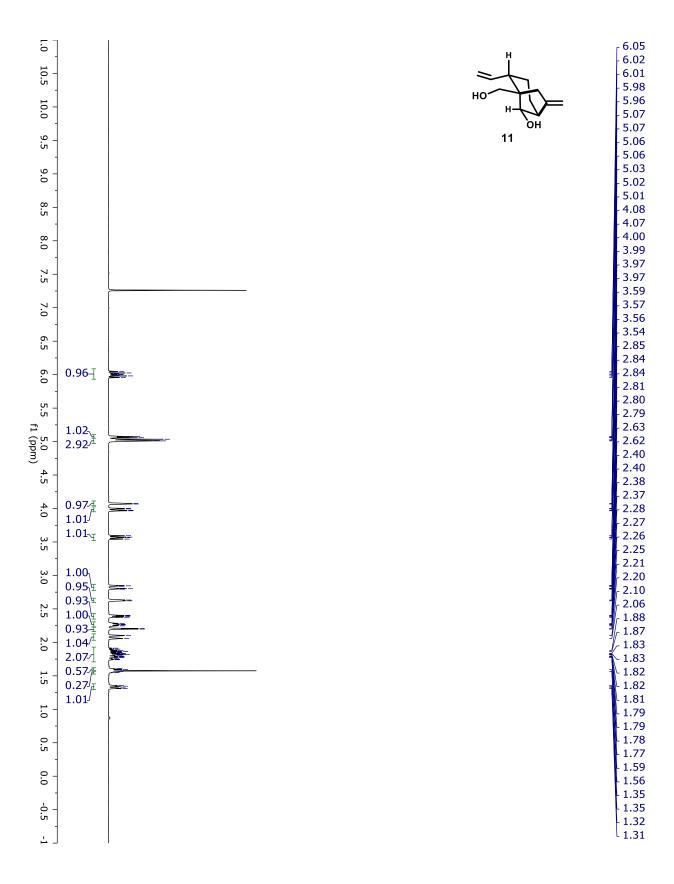
 $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.26$  (30% EtOAc in hexanes; not UV-active, stains blue in *p*-anisaldehyde);

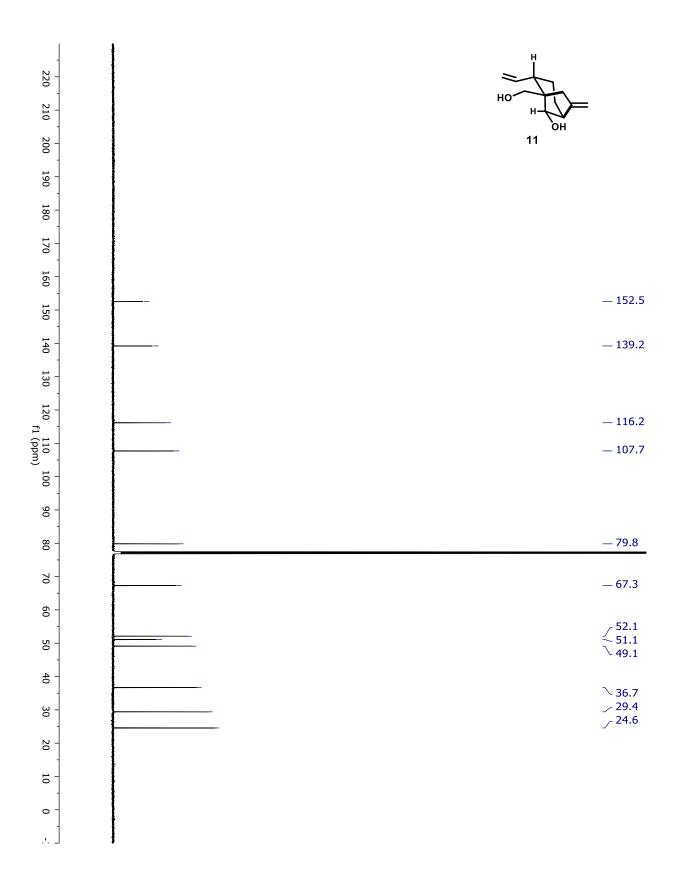
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 6.00 (dt, J = 17.6, 9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.09 – 5.05 (m, 1H), 5.05 – 4.99 (m, 3H), 4.07 (d, J = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (dd, J = 11.6, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.57 (dd, J = 11.5, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (dt, J = 17.1, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (dd, J = 8.5, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 2.27 (dd, J = 9.4, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.20 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 2.08 (d, J = 17.1 Hz, 1H), 1.93 – 1.73 (m, 2H), 1.63 – 1.53 (m, 1H), 1.33 (dd, J = 13.1, 3.9 Hz, 1H);

<sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 152.6, 139.2, 116.1, 107.7, 79.8, 67.3, 52.1, 51.2, 49.1, 36.7, 29.4, 24.6;

IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3329, 3070, 2937, 2875, 1661, 1638, 1447, 1135, 1065, 1023, 995, 915, 889;

**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+Na]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{12}H_{18}O_2Na^+$ : 217.1199; found: 217.1207.





#### **Iodo alcohol SI-8:**

In a 100-mL flask, diol **11** (1.3 g, 6.7 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in  $C_6H_6/MeCN/CH_2Cl_2$  (27 mL/6.7 mL/6.7 mL, 0.16 M). PPh<sub>3</sub> (3.51 g, 13.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was added, followed by imidazole (1.85 g, 27.2 mmol, 4.0 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred for 15 minutes until a homogeneous solution formed. The reaction flask was then moved to a 0 °C bath and  $I_2$  (2.54 g, 10.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added in seven portions over 15 minutes. The reaction underwent 70% conversion after 21 hours. After a total of 90 hours, the reaction underwent full conversion as determined by TLC, and was quenched with sat. aq.  $Na_2S_2O_3$ . The organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous  $Na_2SO_4$ , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes  $\rightarrow$  20% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded iodo alcohol **SI-8** (1.80 g, 88% yield) as a colorless oil.

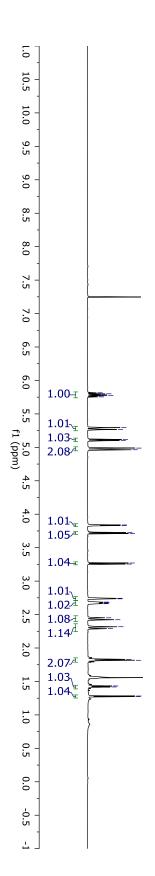
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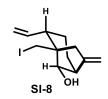
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.79 (dt, J = 17.0, 9.8 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 1H), 5.11 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 2.74 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (dd, J = 9.5, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 2.44 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 1.82 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 1.59 – 1.54 (m, 1H), 1.43 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 1.28 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H);

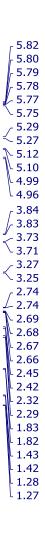
<sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 150.8, 137.6, 117.0, 108.5, 77.5, 54.3, 50.7, 47.6, 42.3, 29.8, 24.0, 16.7;

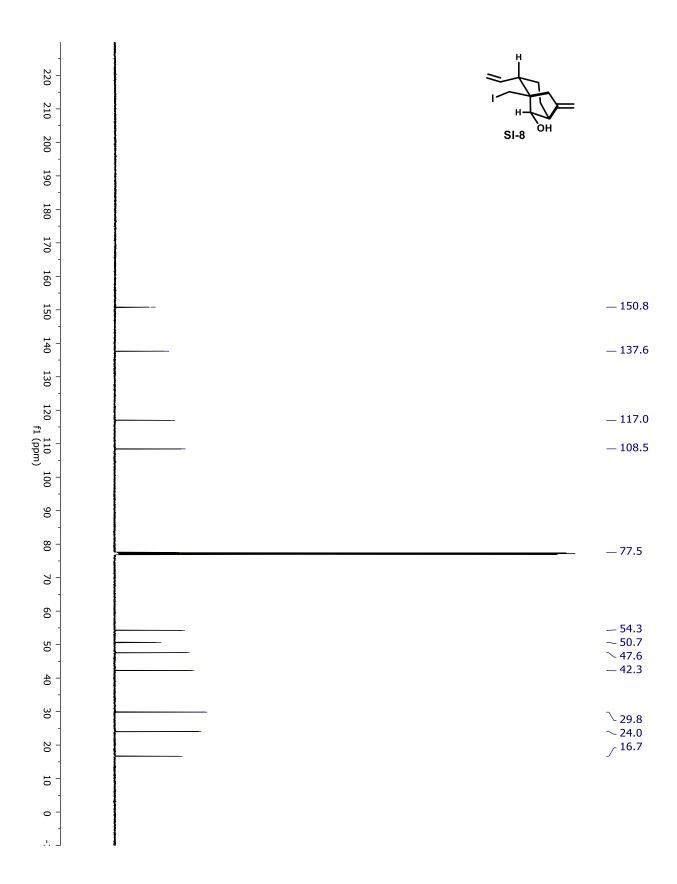
**IR** (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3373, 3071, 2938, 2856, 1660, 1635, 1424, 1208, 1191, 1046, 997, 923, 892;

**GCMS** (m/z): [M] calc'd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>17</sub>IO: 304.0; found: 304.0.









# **MOM-protected iodo alcohol 3:**

In a 100-mL flask, iodo alcohol **SI-8** (1.8 g, 5.9 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (30 mL, 0.2 M). *N*,*N*-Diisopropylethylamine (5.4 mL, 30 mmol, 5.0 equiv) was added. The reaction flask was moved to a 0 °C bath, and chloromethyl methyl ether (1.7 mL, 30 mmol, 5.0 equiv) was added. The reaction mixture was allowed to slowly warm to 23 °C. After stirring for 72 hours, the reaction was quenched by addition of sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes  $\rightarrow$  5% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded MOM-protected iodo alcohol 3 (1.78 g, 87% yield) as a white solid.

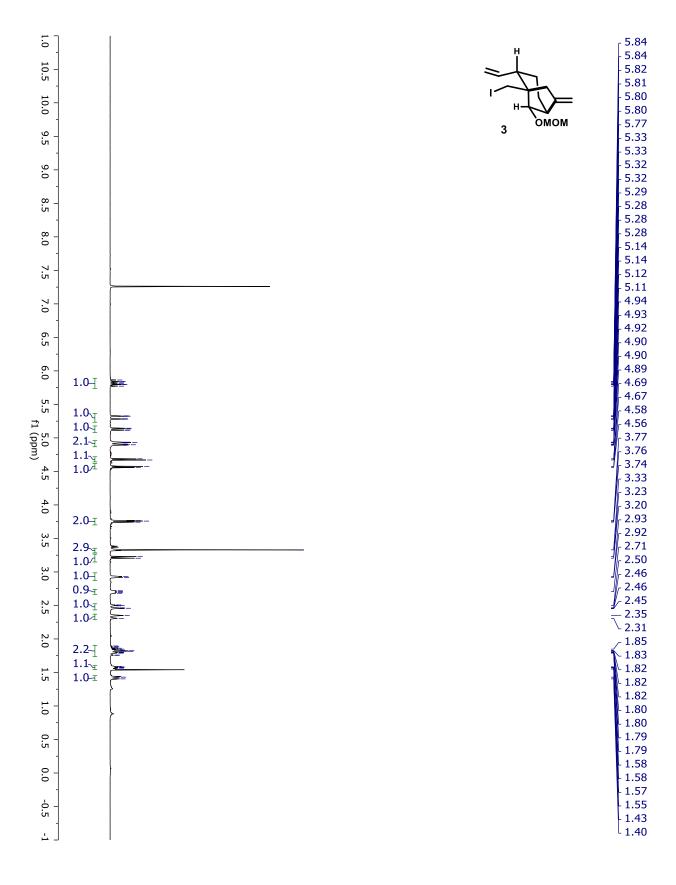
 $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.52$  (10% EtOAc in hexanes; not UV-active, stains blue in *p*-anisaldehyde);

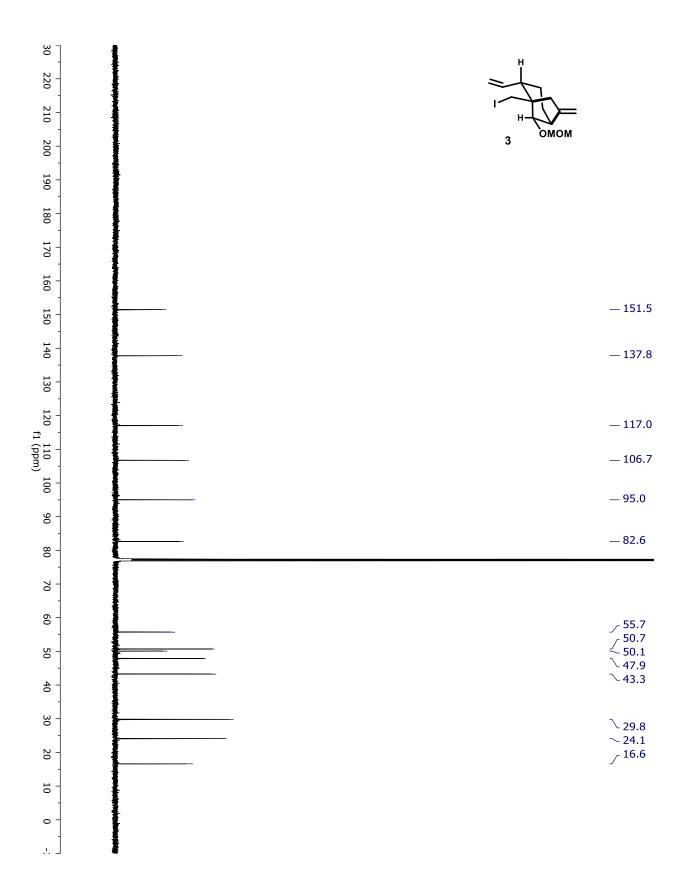
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.82 (ddd, J = 17.0, 10.3, 9.4 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (ddd, J = 17.0, 2.1, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (dd, J = 10.3, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.91 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 2H), 4.68 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.79 – 3.72 (m, 2H), 3.33 (s, 3H), 3.22 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 2.93 (d, J = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (dd, J = 9.4, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 2.48 (dt, J = 16.9, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 1H), 1.91 – 1.75 (m, 2H), 1.60 – 1.55 (m, 1H), 1.45 – 1.38 (m, 1H);

<sup>13</sup>C **NMR** (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 151.5, 137.8, 117.0, 106.7, 95.0, 82.6, 55.7, 50.7, 50.1, 47.9, 43.2, 29.8, 24.1, 16.6;

**IR** (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3070, 2941, 2887, 1661, 1425, 1211, 1107, 1047, 1027, 918, 881;

**GCMS** (m/z): [M] calc'd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>21</sub>IO<sub>2</sub>: 348.1; found: 348.1.





# Fragment coupling and completion of synthesis

## Fragment-coupling product SI-9:

Alkyl iodide fragment **3** (1.5 g, 4.4 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in a solution of Et<sub>2</sub>O (16 mL) in pentane (23 mL, 0.1 M). The reaction flask was cooled to -78 °C and *t*-butyllithium (1.7 M in pentane, 5.2 mL, 8.8 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was added. After stirring at the same temperature for 1 hour, a solution of aldehyde **4** (1.8 g, 5.7 mmol, 1.3 equiv) in Et<sub>2</sub>O/pentane (2 mL/3 mL) was added. The reaction flask was slowly warmed to 0 °C over the course of 1.5 hours. Sat. aq. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (50 mL) was added, and the organic layer was separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (50 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes  $\rightarrow$  1.5%  $\rightarrow$  2.5% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded fragment-coupling product **SI-9** (0.62 g, 26% yield; 62% yield of all diastereomers) as a colorless oil.

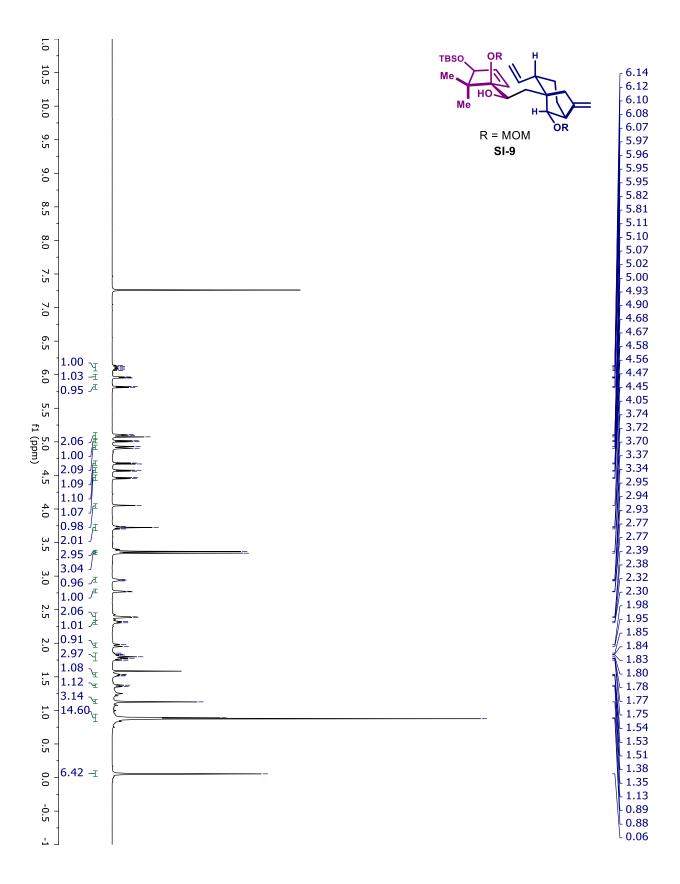
 $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}} = 0.38$  (20% Et<sub>2</sub>O in hexanes; not UV-active, stains blue-purple in *p*-anisaldehyde);  $[\boldsymbol{\alpha}]_{D}^{20.0} : -16.0^{\circ}$  (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>);

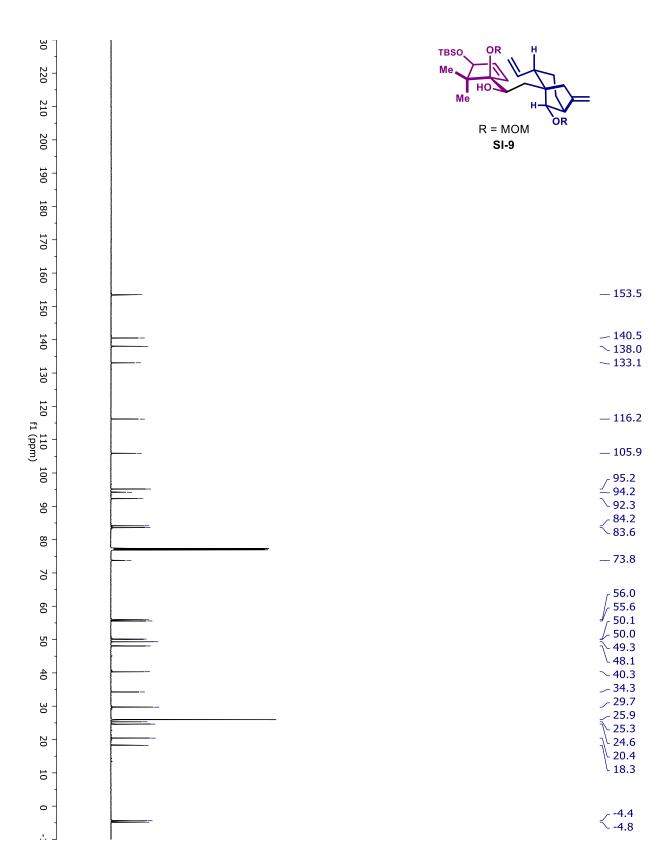
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 6.15 – 6.06 (m, 1H), 5.96 (dd, J = 6.0, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 5.82 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (dd, J = 4.8, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.93 (s, 1H), 4.90 (s, 1H), 4.67 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.76 – 3.69 (m, 2H), 3.37 (s, 3H), 3.34 (s, 3H), 2.94 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.45 – 2.34 (m, 2H), 2.31 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 1.97 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 1.88 – 1.74 (m, 3H), 1.56 – 1.49 (m, 1H), 1.40 – 1.34 (m, 1H), 1.24 (ad, J = 20.2 Hz, 1H), 1.13 (s, 3H), 0.89 (s, 3H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 0.06 (s, 3H), 0.05 (s, 3H);

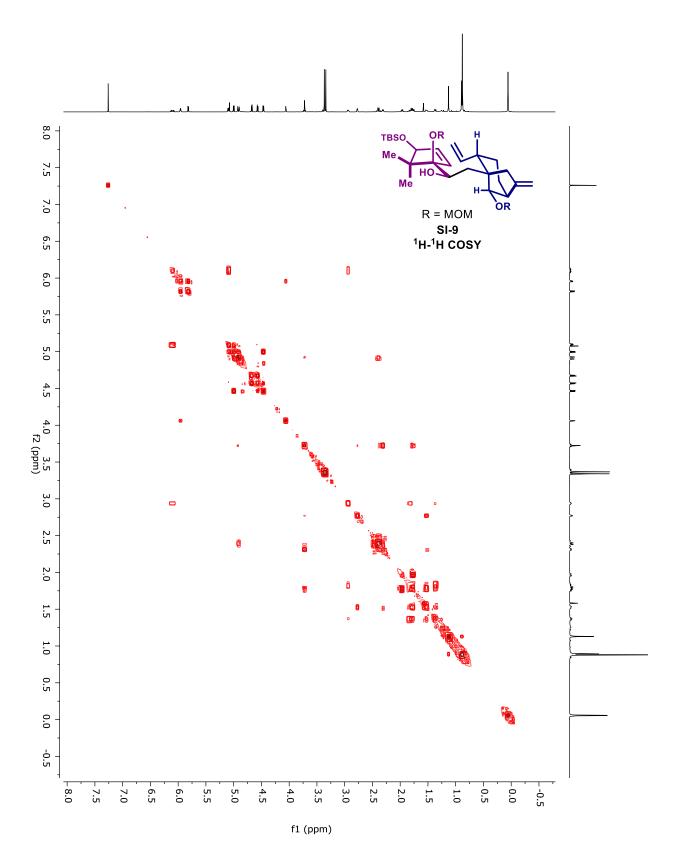
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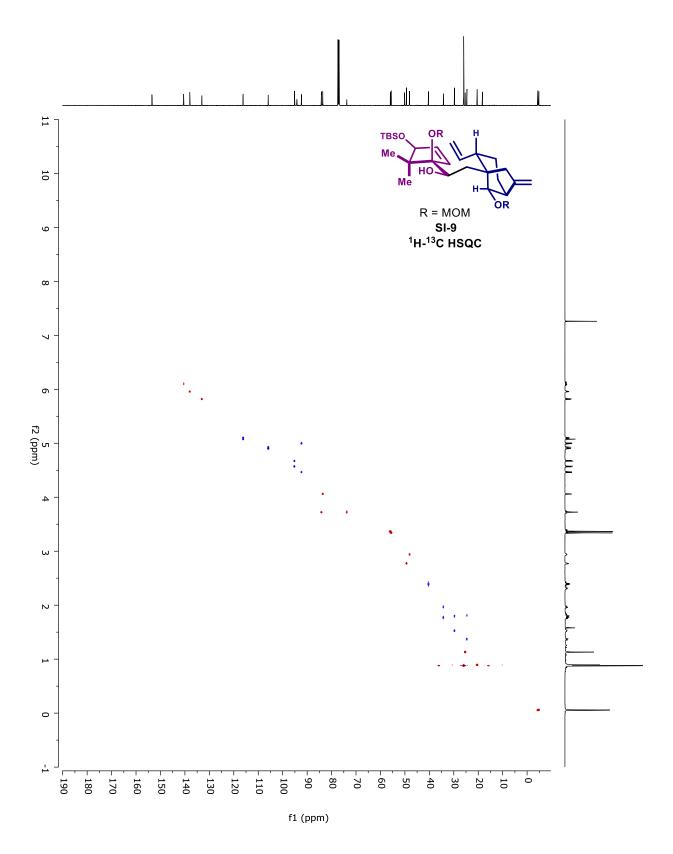
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**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+Na]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{30}H_{52}NaO_6Si^+$ : 559.3425; found: 559.3474.









# MOM-protected secondary alcohol 12:

Fragment-coupling product **SI-9** (0.580 g, 1.06 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in dichloroethane (5.6 mL, 0.2 M). N,N-Diisopropylethylamine (2.8 mL, 2.1 g, 16 mmol, 15 equiv) was added, followed by N,N-dimethylpyridin-4-amine (0.28 g, 2.3 mmol, 2.2 equiv) and chloromethyl methyl ether (0.61 mL, 11 mmol, 10 equiv). The reaction vial was capped and heated to 80 °C. After 17 hours, the reaction mixture was cooled to 23 °C and quenched with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (10 mL). The organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (20 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (30 mL), dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes  $\rightarrow$  7% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded MOM-protected secondary alcohol **12** (0.548 g, 88% yield) as a colorless oil.

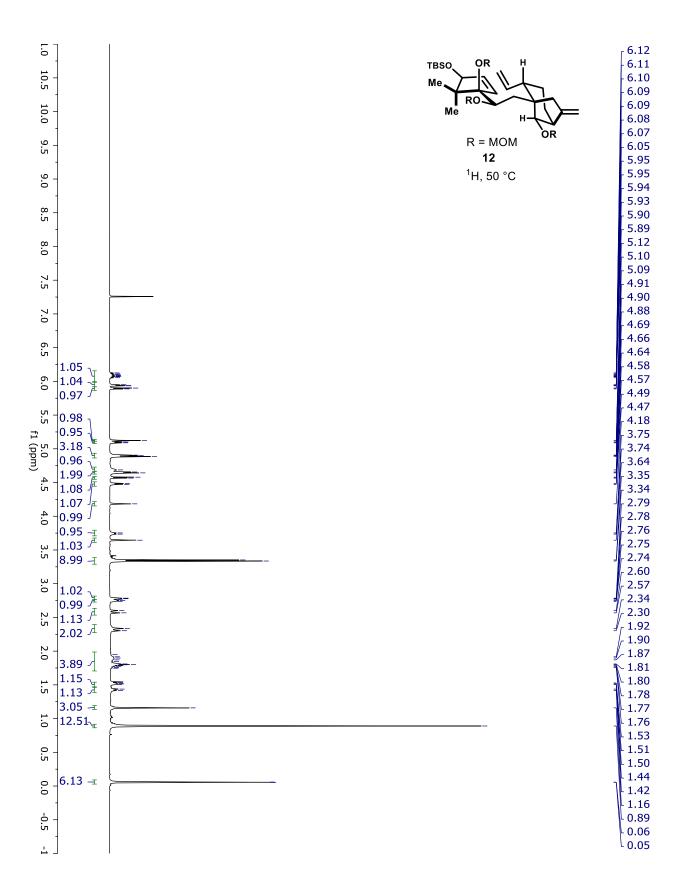
 $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.65$  (25% EtOAc in hexanes; not UV-active, stains blue-purple in *p*-anisaldehyde);  $[\boldsymbol{\alpha}]_{D}^{20.0}$ : +2.8° (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>);

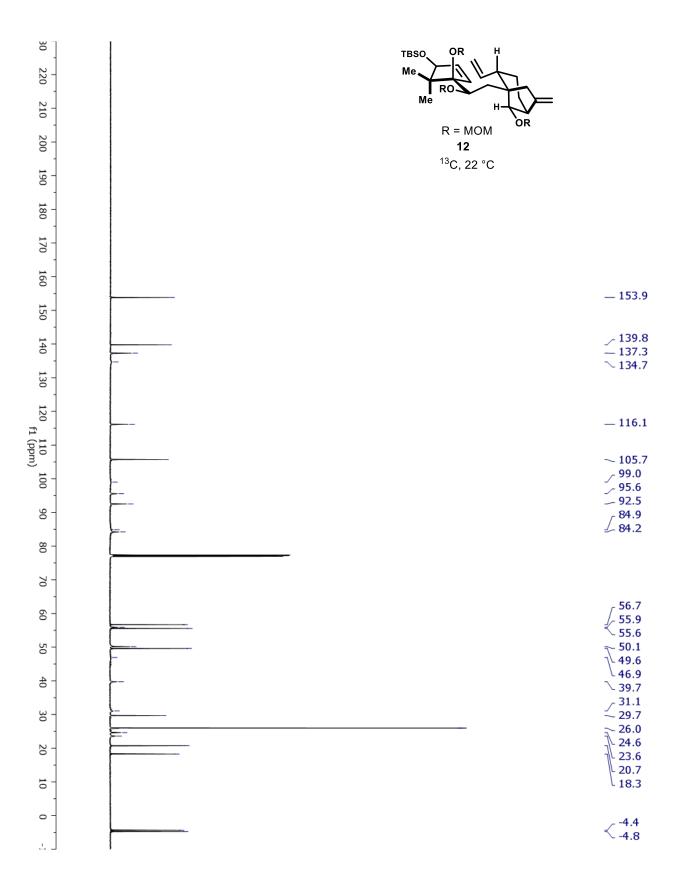
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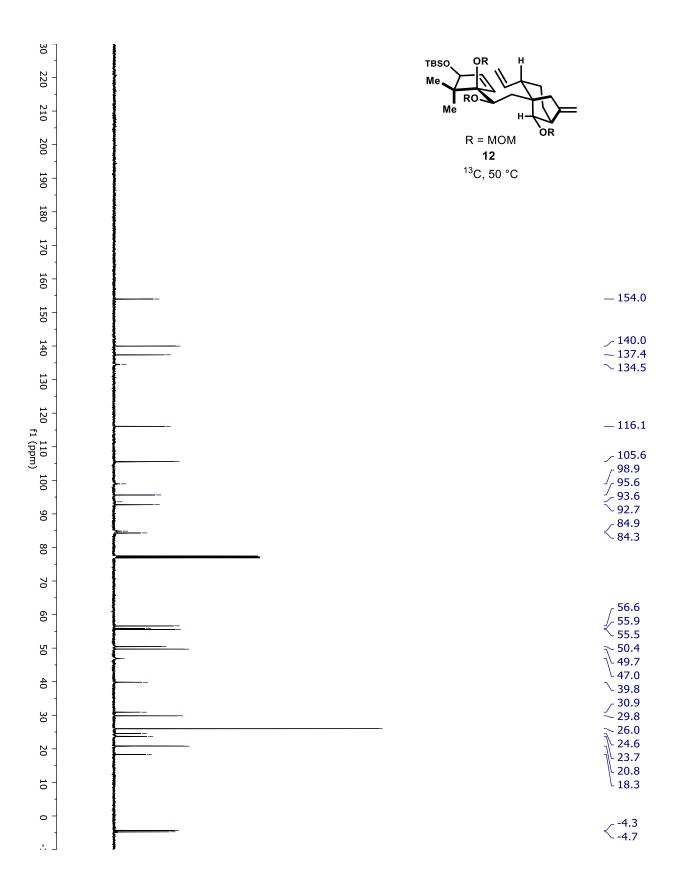
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 154.0, 140.0, 137.4, 134.5, 116.1, 105.6, 98.9, 95.6, 93.6, 92.7, 84.9, 84.3, 56.6, 55.9, 55.5, 50.4, 50.4, 49.7, 47.0, 39.8, 30.9, 29.8, 26.0, 24.6, 23.7, 20.8, 18.3, -4.3, -4.7;

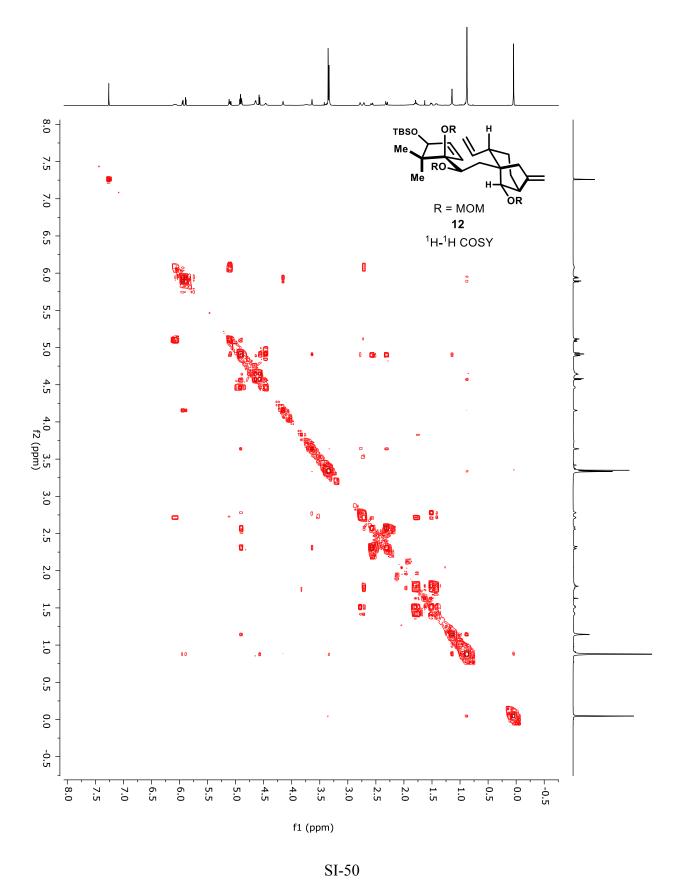
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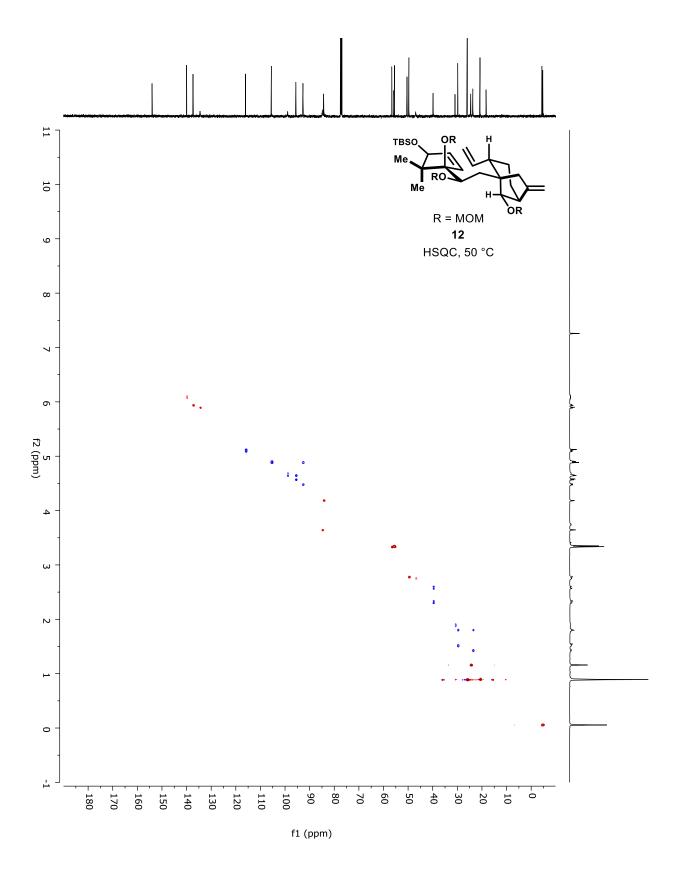
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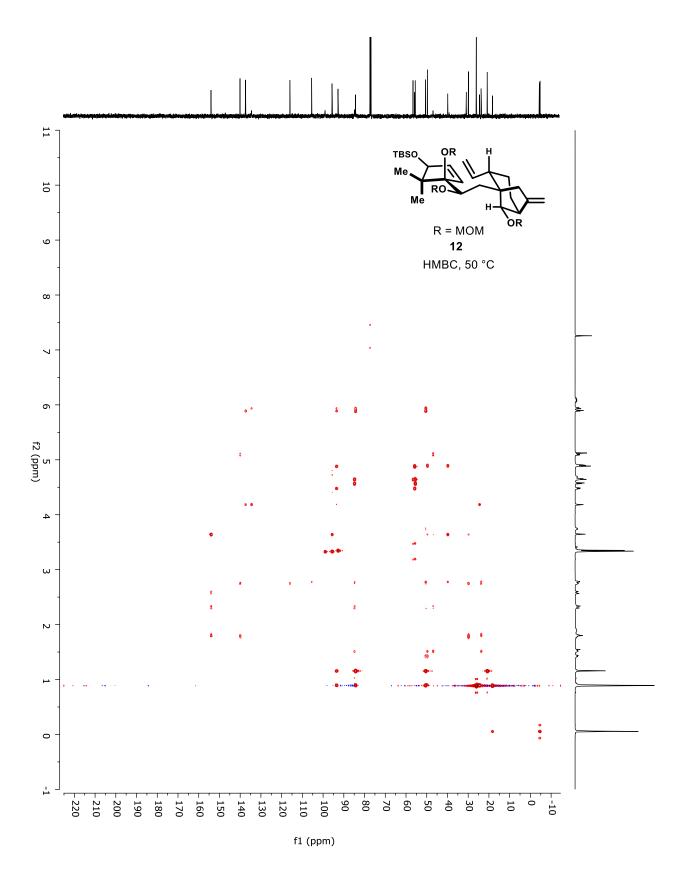












#### Allylic alcohol SI-11:

MOM-protected secondary alcohol **12** (0.515 g, 0.89 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in THF (8.9 mL, 0.1 M). Tetrabutylammonium fluoride (1.0 M solution in THF, 4.4 mL, 4.4 mmol, 5.0 equiv) was added. After 3 hours,  $H_2O$  (30 mL) was added. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (30 mL x 3), and the combined organic layers were washed with brine (30 mL), dried over anhydrous  $Na_2SO_4$ , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes  $\rightarrow$  30% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded allylic alcohol **SI-10** (0.397 g, 96% yield) as a colorless oil.

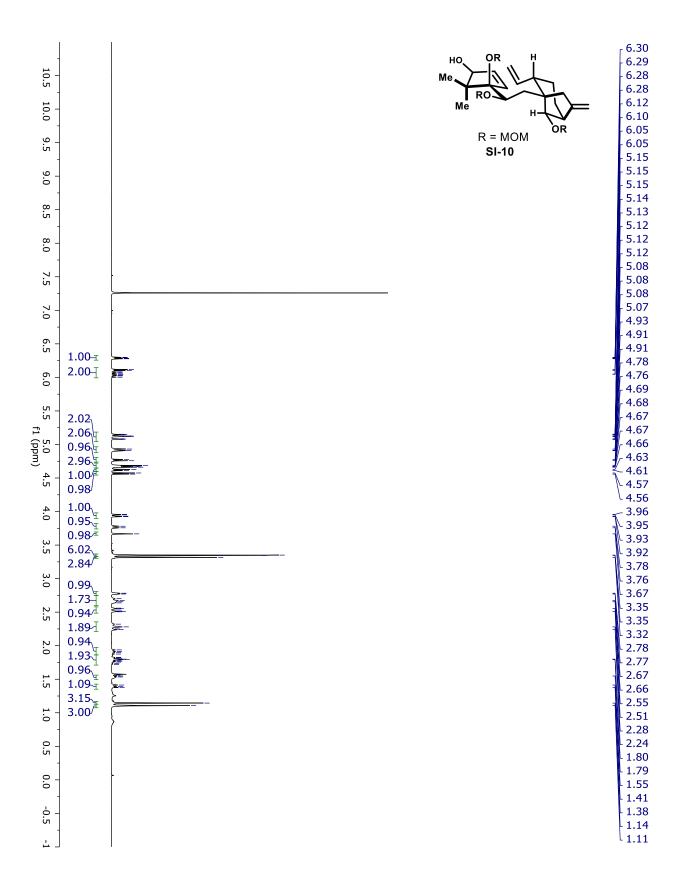
 $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.19$  (25% EtOAc in hexanes; not UV-active, stains blue-purple in *p*-anisaldehyde);  $[\boldsymbol{\alpha}]_p^{20.0} : -14.4^\circ$  (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>);

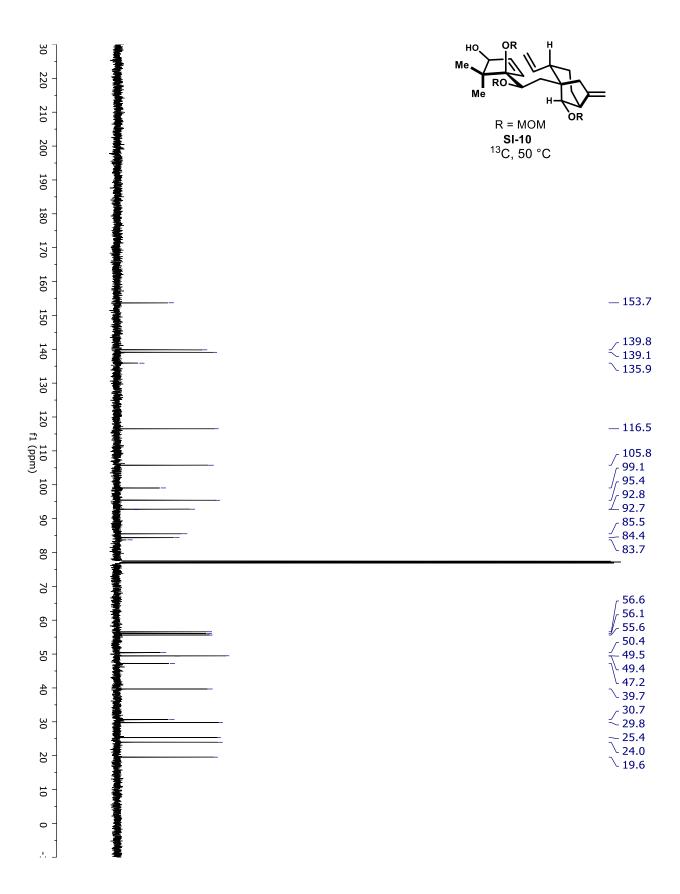
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 6.29 (dd, J = 6.0, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.11 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 6.05 (ddd, J = 17.1, 10.6, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.17 – 5.06 (m, 2H), 4.92 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, 2H), 4.77 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 4.71 – 4.66 (m, 3H), 4.62 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (dd, J = 10.9, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (s, 1H), 3.35 (s, 3H), 3.35 (s, 3H), 3.32 (s, 3H), 2.78 (d, J = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 2.73 – 2.62 (m, 2H), 2.53 (dt, J = 16.9, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.34 – 2.23 (m, 2H), 1.96 – 1.87 (m, 1H), 1.86 – 1.71 (m, 2H), 1.56 – 1.49 (m, 1H), 1.44 – 1.36 (m, 1H), 1.14 (s, 3H), 1.11 (s, 3H);

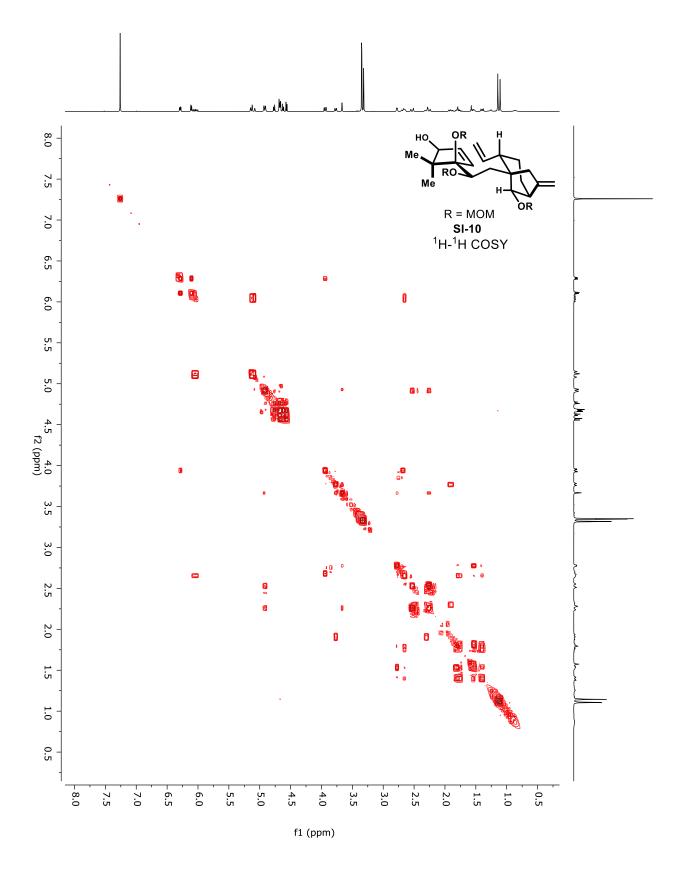
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 153.7, 139.8, 139.1, 135.9, 116.5, 105.8, 99.1, 95.4, 92.8, 92.7, 85.5, 84.4, 83.7, 56.6, 56.1, 55.6, 50.5, 49.5, 49.4, 47.2, 39.7, 30.7, 29.8, 25.4, 24.0, 19.6;

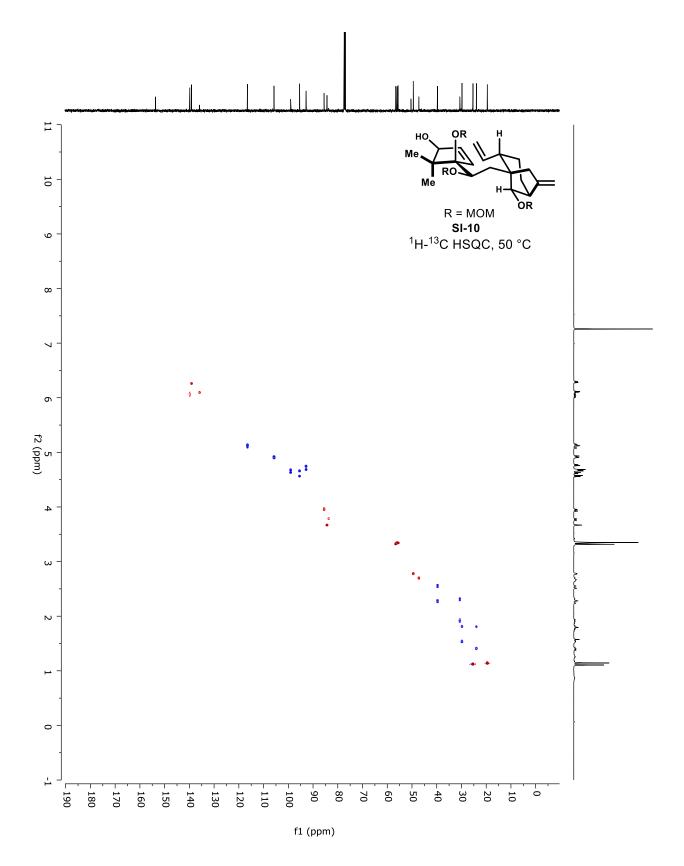
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**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+Na]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{26}H_{42}NaO_7^+$ : 489.2823; found: 489.2857.









#### **Enone SI-11:**

Allylic alcohol **SI-10** (0.376 g, 0.81 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (8.9 mL, 0.1 M). Dess–Martin periodinane (1.7 g, 4.0 mmol, 5.0 equiv) was added at 0 °C. The reaction flask was slowly warmed to 23 °C over 10 hours. After a total of 30 hours, sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (30 mL) was added. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (20 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed with  $H_2O$  (20 mL) and brine (20 mL), then dried over anhydrous  $Na_2SO_4$ , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes  $\rightarrow$  25% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded enone **SI-11** (0.295 g, 79% yield) as a colorless oil.

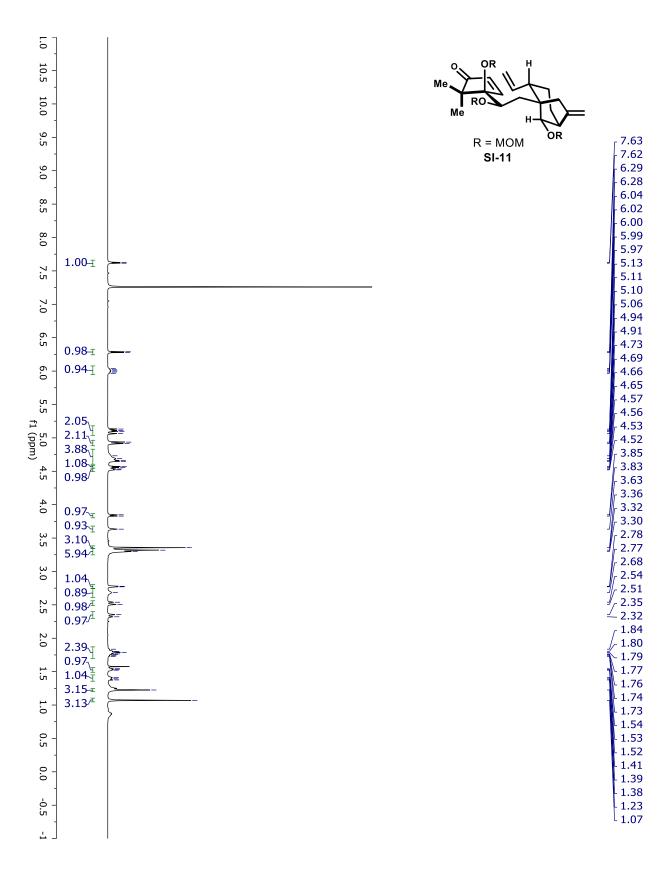
 $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.32$  (25% EtOAc in hexanes; UV-active, stains purple in *p*-anisaldehyde);  $[\boldsymbol{\alpha}]_{\mathbf{p}}^{\mathbf{20.0}} : -7.5^{\circ}$  (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>);

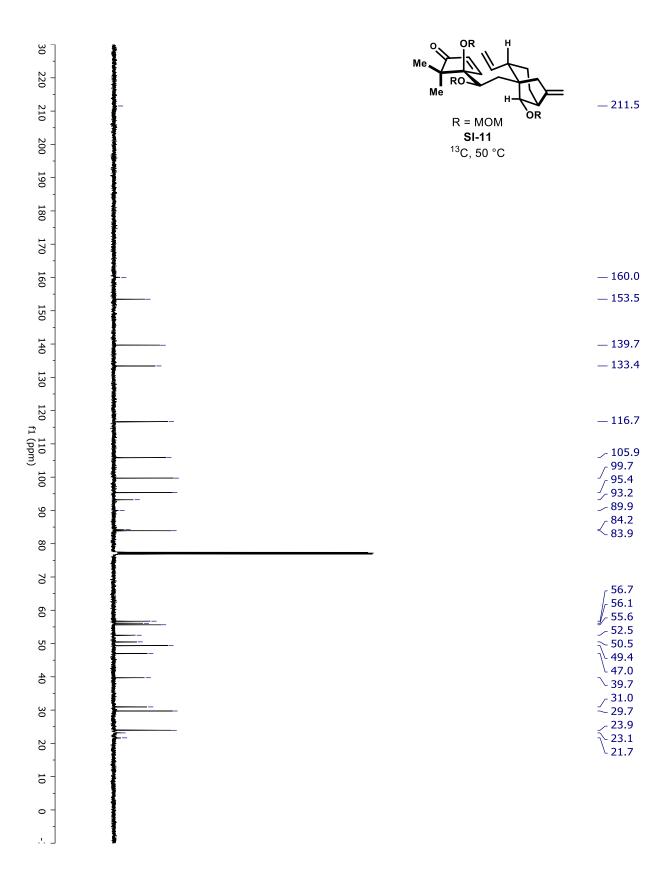
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.62 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 6.28 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 6.00 (dt, J = 18.1, 9.4 Hz, 1H), 5.12 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, J = 17.3 Hz, 1H), 4.93 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 2H), 4.81 – 4.67 (m, 3H), 4.66 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (s, 1H), 3.36 (s, 3H), 3.32 (s, 3H), 3.30 (s, 3H), 2.77 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.68 (s, 1H), 2.52 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (d, J = 16.3 Hz, 1H), 1.86 – 1.71 (m, 2H), 1.56 – 1.49 (m, 1H), 1.43 – 1.36 (m, 1H), 1.23 (s, 3H), 1.07 (s, 3H);

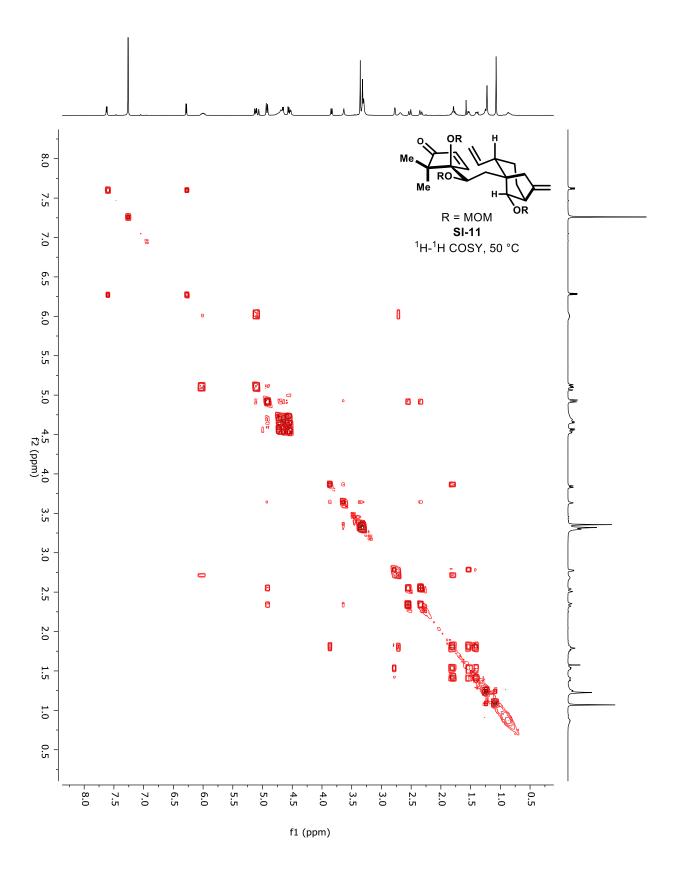
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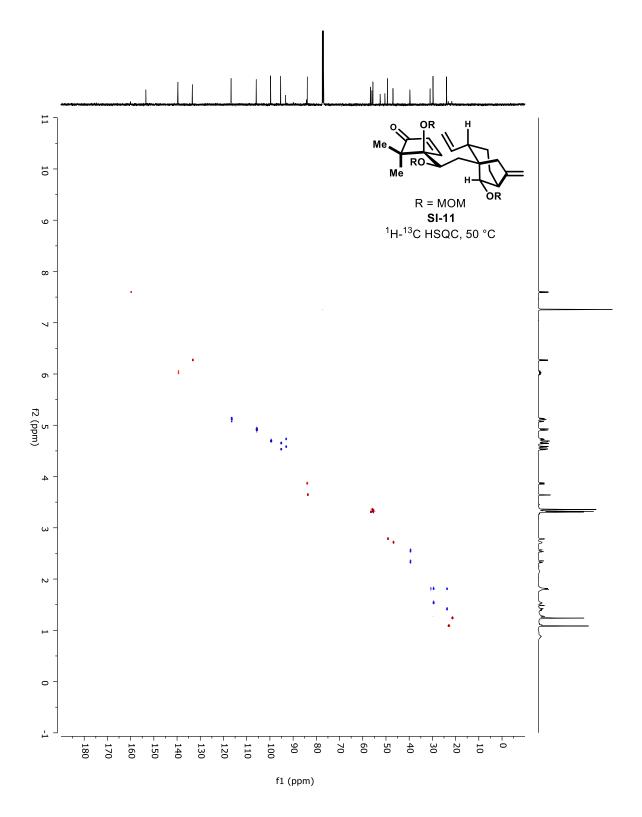
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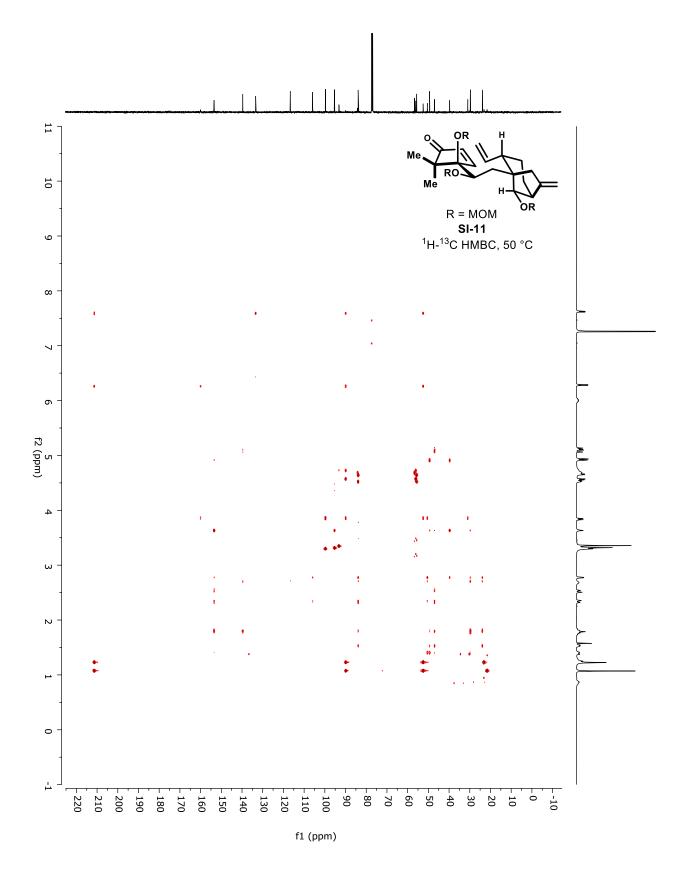
**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+Na]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{26}H_{40}NaO_7^+$ : 487.2666; found: 487.2675.











#### Aldehyde 13:

Alkene **SI-11** (20 mg, 0.042 mmol) was dissolved in a 2:1 solution of THF: $H_2O$  (4.2 mL, 0.01 M). The reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C. DABCO (0.0152 g, 0.126 mmol, 3.0 equiv) was added, followed by NaIO<sub>4</sub> (0.0281 g, 0.126 mmol, 3.0 equiv) and OsO<sub>4</sub> (4% sltn in water; 26  $\mu$ L, 0.0042 mmol, 0.1 equiv). The reaction was stirred at 0 °C for 15 hours, followed by addition of  $H_2O$ . The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (4 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed sat. aq. Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (3 mL) and brine (3 mL), then dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes  $\rightarrow$  50% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded aldehyde **13** (16.9 mg, 84% yield) as a colorless oil.

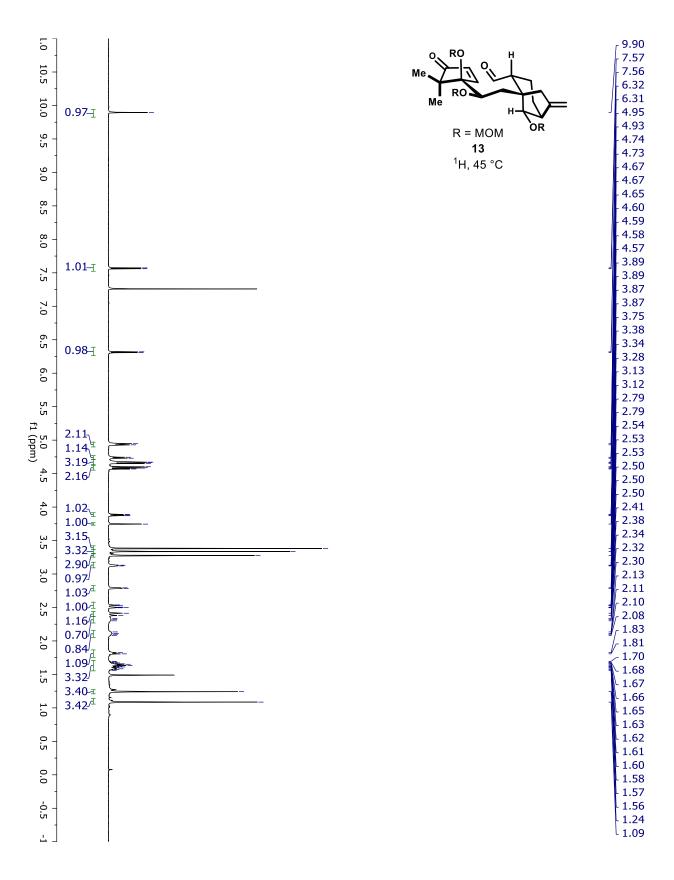
 $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}} = 0.46$  (50% EtOAc in hexanes; UV-active, stains purple in *p*-anisaldehyde);  $[\boldsymbol{\alpha}]_{\mathbf{p}}^{\mathbf{20.0}} : +10.4 \, ^{\circ} (c \, 1.0, \text{CHCl}_3);$ 

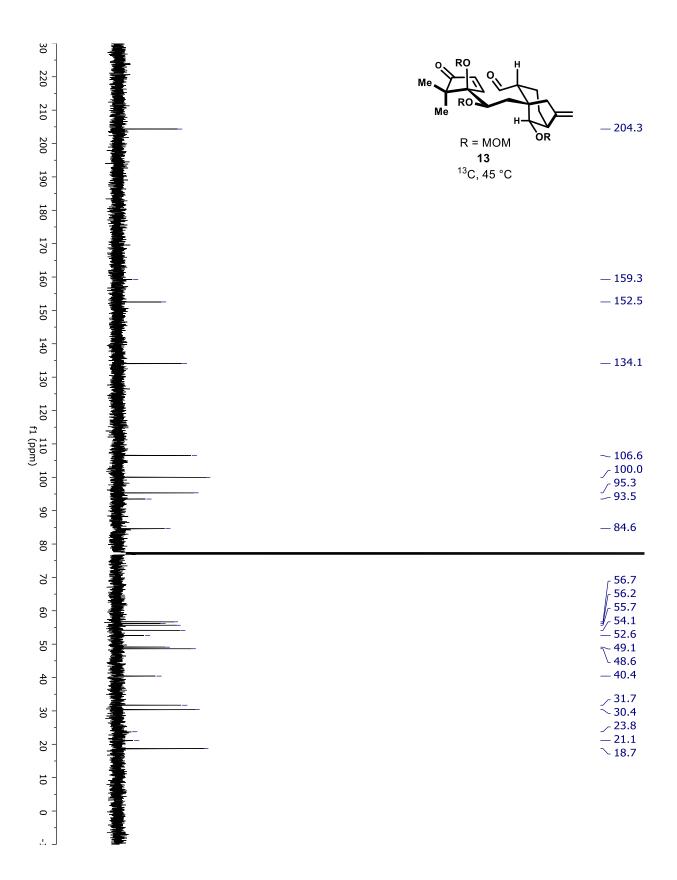
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 9.90 (s, 1H), 7.57 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 6.31 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.74 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (s, 1H), 4.66 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 4.60 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (dd, J = 9.4, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 1H), 3.38 (s, 3H), 3.34 (s, 3H), 3.28 (s, 3H), 3.13 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.52 (dt, J = 16.5, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (d, J = 16.7 Hz, 1H), 2.36 – 2.28 (m, 1H), 2.16 – 2.07 (m, 1H), 1.82 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 1.70 – 1.55 (m, 3H), 1.24 (s, 3H), 1.09 (s, 3H);

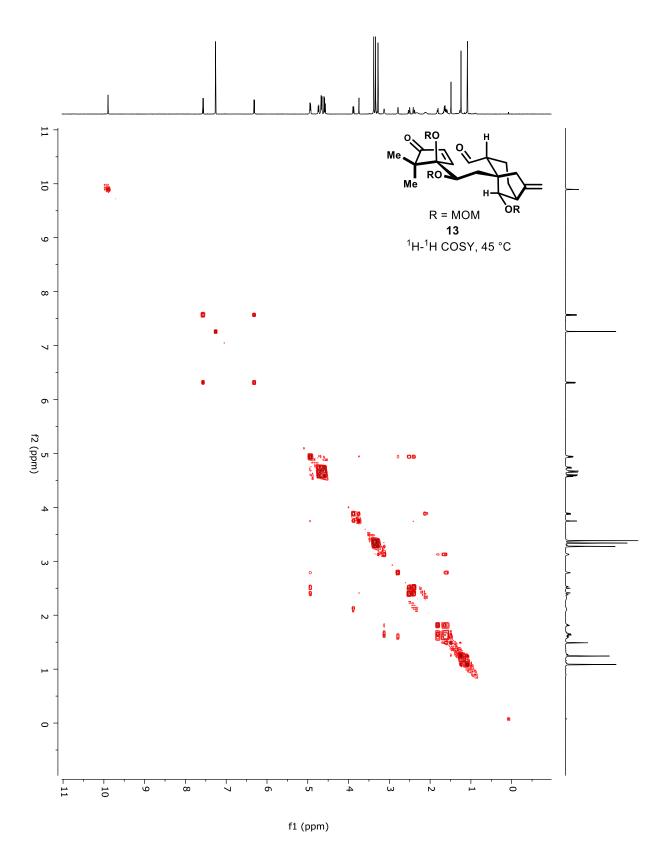
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 204.3, 159.3, 152.5, 134.1, 106.6, 100.0, 95.3, 93.5, 84.6, 56.7, 56.2, 55.7, 54.1, 52.6, 49.1, 48.6, 40.4, 31.7, 30.4, 23.78 21.1, 18.7;

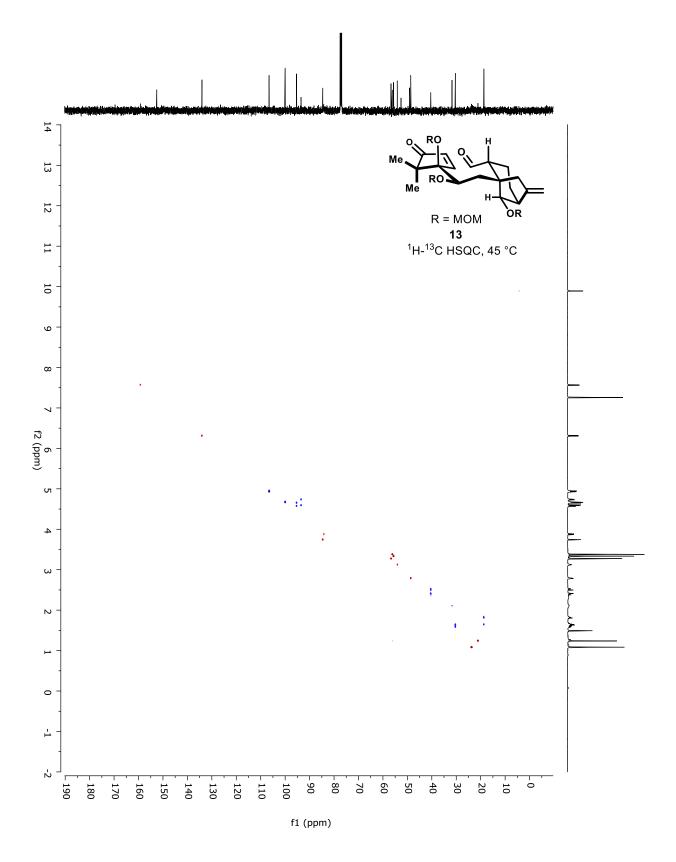
**IR** (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2937, 2826, 2824, 1717, 1465, 1445, 1384, 1151, 1106, 1029, 919, 881;

**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+Na]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{25}H_{38}NaO_8^+$ : 489.2459; found: 489.2515.









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### **Tetracycle 2:**

Aldehyde 13 (29 mg, 0.062 mmol) was dissolved in THF (0.01 M, 6.2 mL). Water (2.9  $\mu$ L, 0.16 mmol, 2.6 equiv) was added. The reaction mixture was cooled to –40 °C. SmI<sub>2</sub> (0.1 M in THF; 15.5 mL, 1.55 mmol, 25 equiv) was added over 15 minutes. After 2 h, the flask was cooled to –72 °C, then allowed to warm to 0 °C over 2.5 hours. H<sub>2</sub>O (10 mL) was added. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (10 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed with sat. aq. Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (10 mL) and brine (10 mL), then dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes  $\rightarrow$  50% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded enone 2 (18.2 mg, 63% yield) as a white solid.

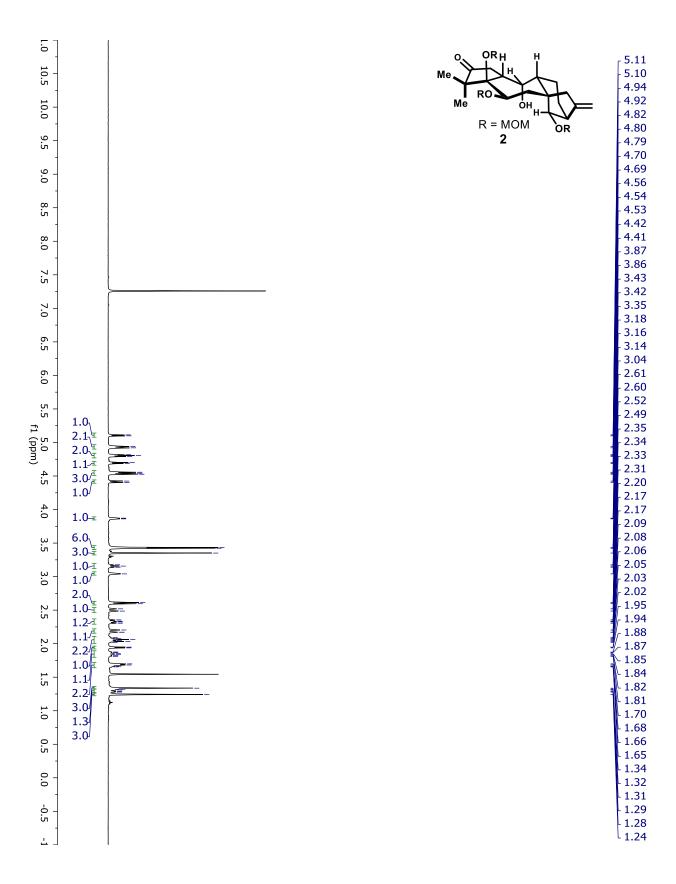
 $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}} = 0.40$  (50% EtOAc in hexanes; not UV-active, stains blue-gray in *p*-anisaldehyde);  $[\boldsymbol{\alpha}]_{\mathbf{p}}^{\mathbf{20.0}}$ : -99.8° (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>);

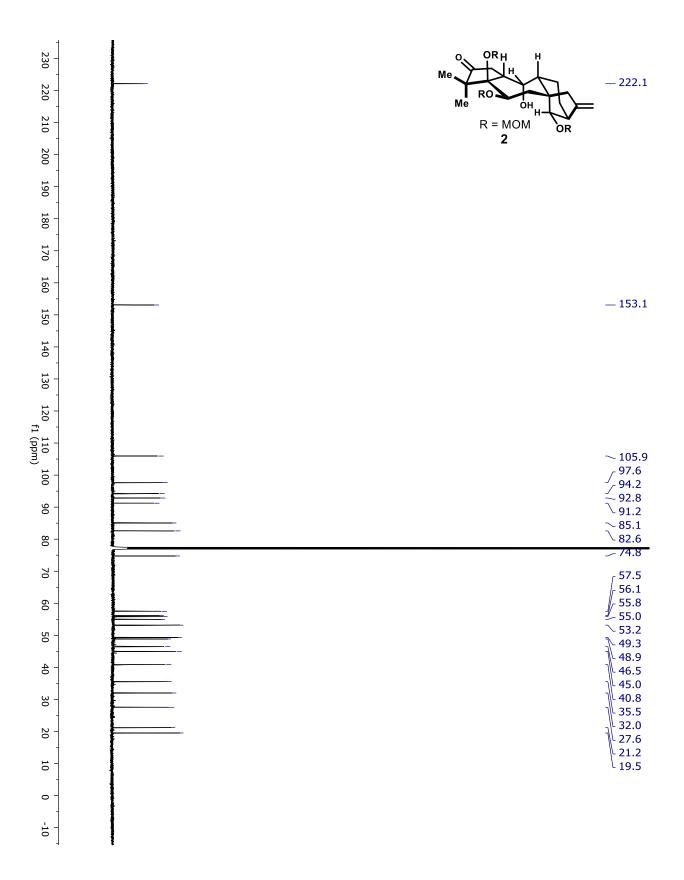
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.11 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.93 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 2H), 4.81 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 4.56 (s, 1H), 4.53 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 4.41 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.43 (s, 3H), 3.42 (s, 3H), 3.35 (s, 3H), 3.16 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.04 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 2.50 (d, J = 16.6 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (dd, J = 14.8, 9.6 Hz, 1H), 2.19 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 1H), 2.11 – 2.00 (m, 2H), 1.94 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 1.85 (td, J = 14.0, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 1.72 – 1.64 (m, 2H), 1.34 (s, 3H), 1.30 (dd, J = 16.2, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 1.24 (s, 3H);

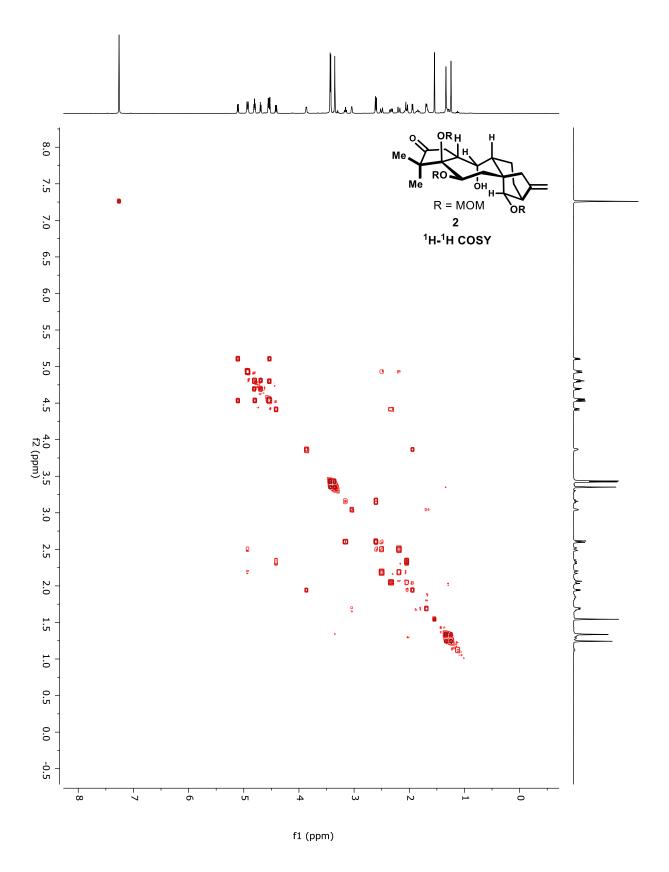
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 222.1, 153.1, 105.9, 97.6, 94.2, 92.8, 91.2, 85.1, 82.6, 74.8, 57.5, 56.1, 55.8, 55.0, 53.2, 49.3, 48.9, 46.5, 45.0, 40.8, 35.5, 32.0, 27.6, 21.2, 19.5;

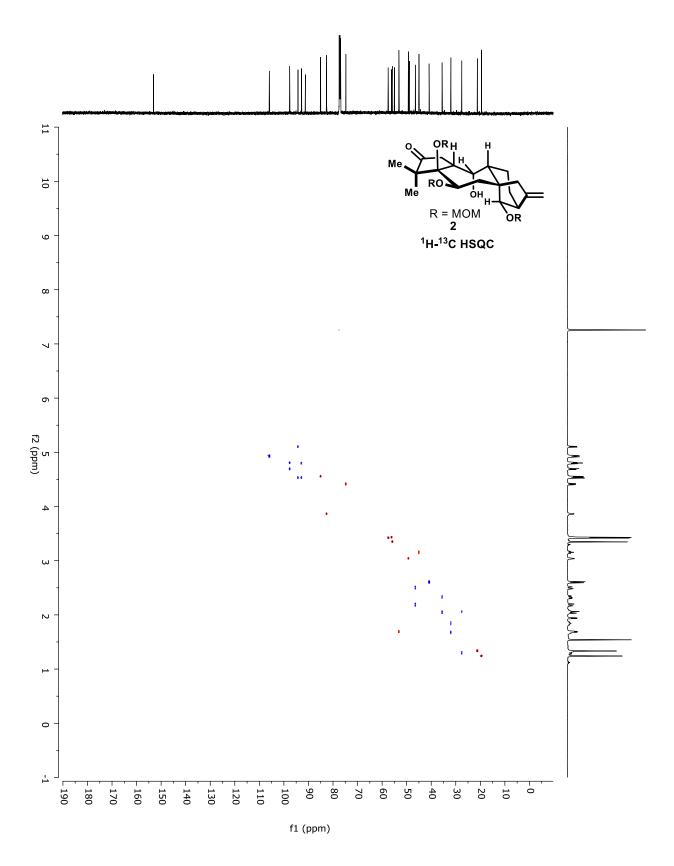
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**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+Na]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{25}H_{40}NaO_8^+$ : 491.2615; found: 491.2604.









## Crystallographic Data for Compound 2 Experimental

Low-temperature diffraction data ( $\omega$ -scans) were collected on a Rigaku MicroMax-007HF diffractometer coupled to a Saturn994+ CCD detector with Cu K $\alpha$  ( $\lambda$  = 1.54178 Å) for the structure of 007-16232. The diffraction images were processed and scaled using the Rigaku CrystalClear software (CrystalClear and CrystalStructure; Rigaku/MSC: The Woodlands, TX, 2005). The structure was solved with SHELXT and was refined against F<sup>2</sup> on all data by full-matrix least squares with SHELXL (Sheldrick, G. M. Acta Cryst. 2008, A64, 112–122). All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. Hydrogen atoms were included in the model at geometrically calculated positions and refined using a riding model. The isotropic displacement parameters of all hydrogen atoms were fixed to 1.2 times the U value of the atoms to which they are linked (1.5 times for methyl groups). Atom H3 was found in the difference map and freely refined. Many potential hydrogen bonds were identified that involved C-H...O interactions, but all hydrogen atoms associated with carbon were geometrically restrained (See table 7). The full numbering scheme of compound 007-16232 can be found in the full details of the X-ray structure determination (CIF), which is included as Supporting Information.

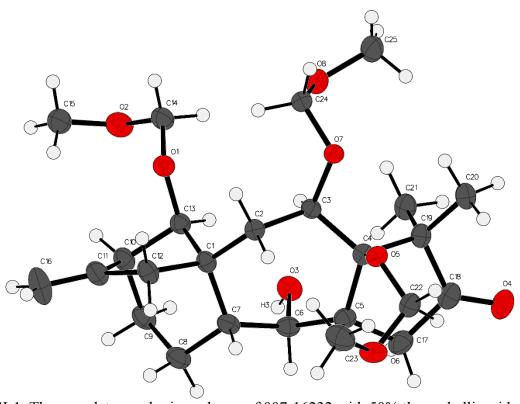


Figure SI-1. The complete numbering scheme of 007-16232 with 50% thermal ellipsoid probability levels. The hydrogen atoms are shown as circles for clarity.

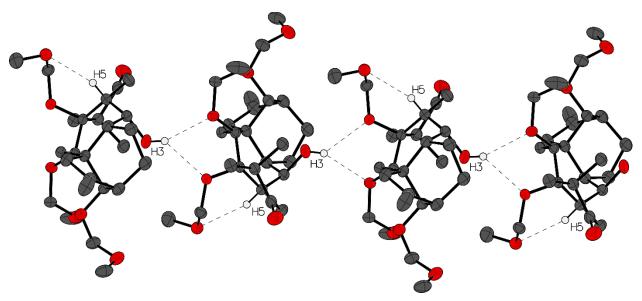


Figure SI-2. Hydrogen bonding network in 007-16232 with 50% thermal ellipsoid probability levels. Dashed lines highlight donor acceptor interactions.

Table SI-1. Crystal data and structure refinement for 007-16232.

Identification code 007-16232 Empirical formula C25 H40 O8

Formula weight 468.57 Temperature 93(2) K

1.54178 Å Wavelength Orthorhombic Crystal system

P2<sub>1</sub>2<sub>1</sub>2<sub>1</sub> Space group

Unit cell dimensions a = 9.1723(6) Å $\alpha$ = 90°.

> b = 13.1708(9) Å $\beta$ = 90°.

c = 20.2598(14) Å $\gamma = 90^{\circ}$ .

2447.5(3) Å<sup>3</sup> Volume

Z 4

Density (calculated)  $1.272 \text{ Mg/m}^3$ 0.769 mm<sup>-1</sup> Absorption coefficient

F(000)1016

0.200 x 0.020 x 0.020 mm<sup>3</sup> Crystal size

Theta range for data collection 4.003 to 67.841°.

-11 <= h <= 10, -15 <= k <= 15, -24 <= l <= 24Index ranges

Reflections collected 87547

Independent reflections 4431 [R(int) = 0.0409]

Completeness to theta =  $67.679^{\circ}$ 100.0 %

Absorption correction Semi-empirical from equivalents

Max. and min. transmission 1.000 and 0.894

Refinement method Full-matrix least-squares on F<sup>2</sup>

4431 / 0 / 307 Data / restraints / parameters

Goodness-of-fit on F<sup>2</sup> 1.054

Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)] R1 = 0.0253, wR2 = 0.0654R indices (all data) R1 = 0.0280, wR2 = 0.0665

0.00(3)Absolute structure parameter

0.234 and -0.137 e.Å-3 Largest diff. peak and hole

#### Diketone 14:

Alcohol **2** (24.0 mg, 0.051 mmol) was dissolved in a 2:1 solution of  $CH_2Cl_2$ :pyridine (0.51 mL, 0.26 mL; 0.07 M). Dess-Martin periodinane (0.11 g, 0.26 mmol, 5.0 equiv) was added. After stirring for 20 hours, sat. aq.  $Na_2S_2O_3$  was added. The resulting mixture was stirred for 30 minutes, followed by separation of the aqueous layer and extraction with EtOAc (4 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed with sat. aq.  $NaHCO_3$  (3 mL), water (3 mL), and brine (3 mL), then dried over anhydrous  $Na_2SO_4$ , filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes  $\rightarrow 25\%$  EtOAc/hexanes) afforded diketone **14** (22.0 mg, 92% yield) as a white solid.

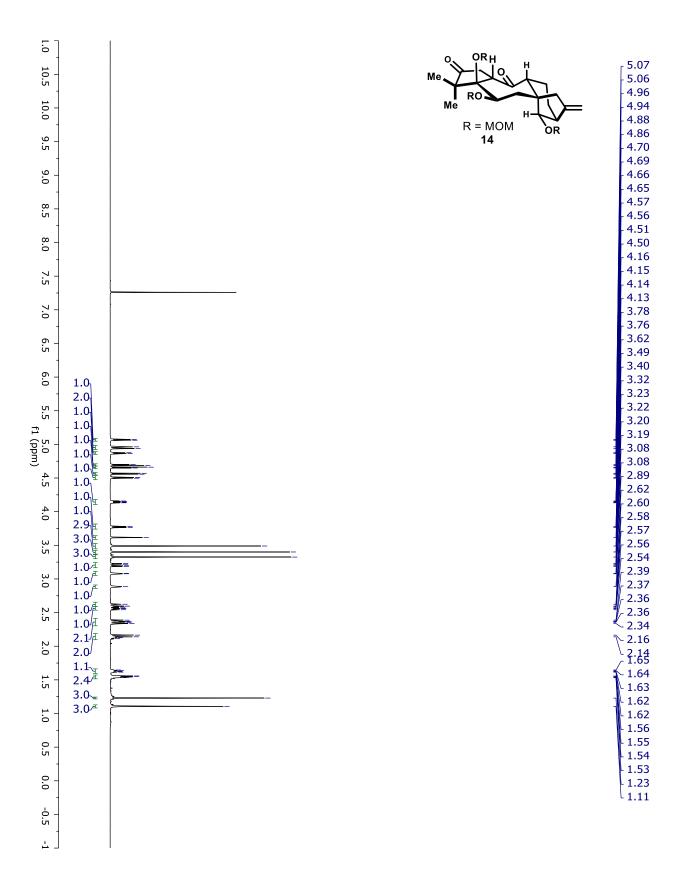
 $\mathbf{R}_{\rm f} = 0.64$  (50% EtOAc in hexanes; not UV-active, stains blue-gray in *p*-anisaldehyde);  $[\boldsymbol{\alpha}]_{\rm p}^{20.0} : -53.3^{\circ}$  (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>);

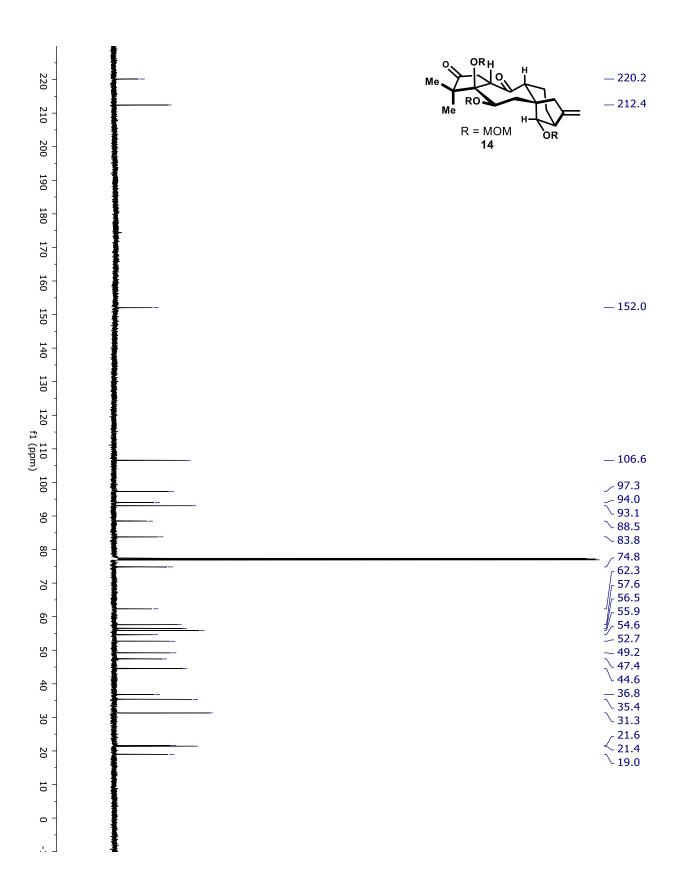
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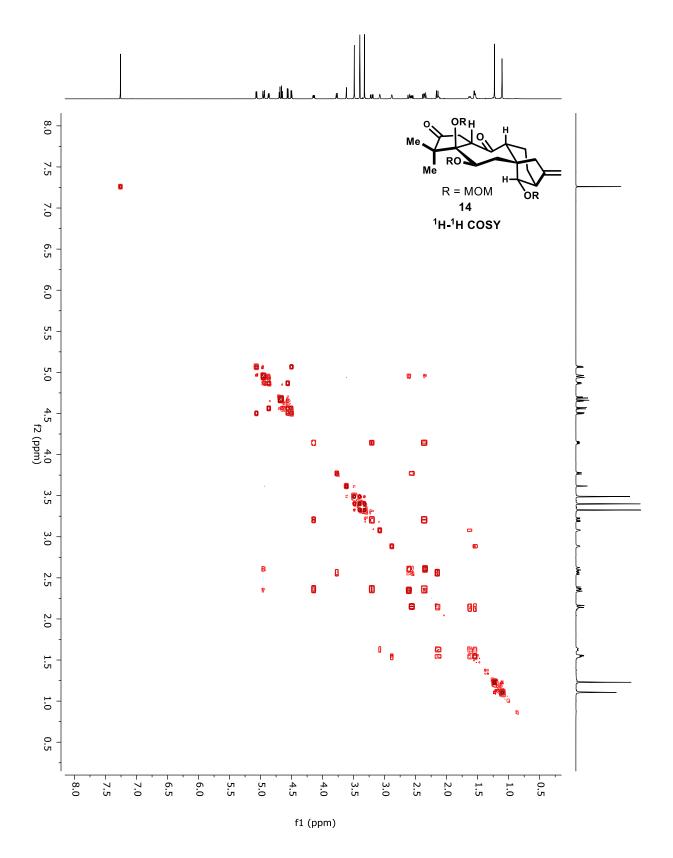
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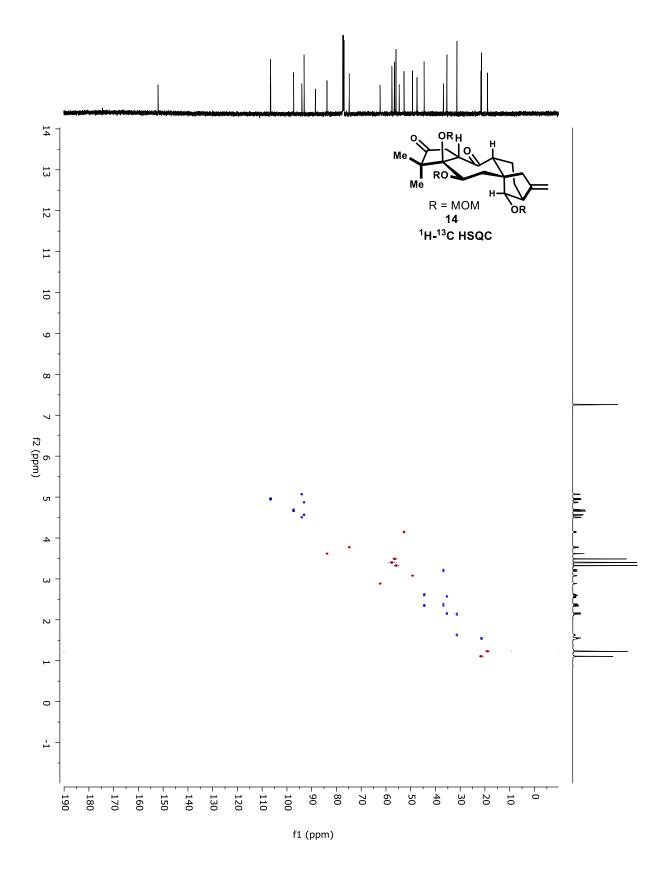
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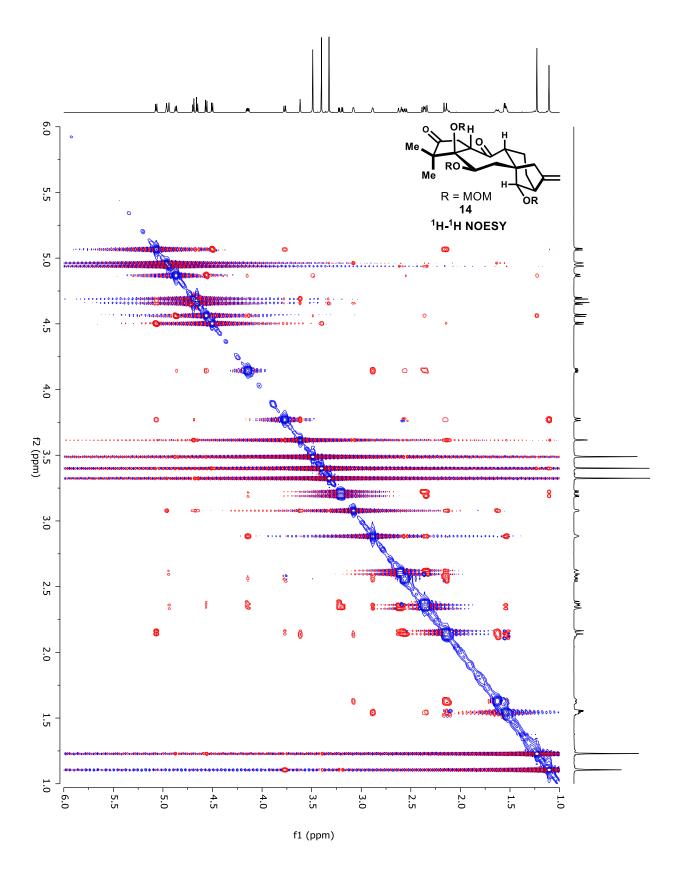
**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+Na]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{25}H_{38}NaO_8^+$ : 489.2459; found: 489.2433.











$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \text{Me} \\ \text{R} = \text{MOM} \\ \text{14} \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{TMSCH}_2\text{Li} \\ \text{R} = \text{MOM} \\ \text{OR} \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{OR}_{\text{H}} \\ \text{SiMe}_3 \\ \text{Me} \\ \text{OH}_{\text{H}} \\ \text{OR} \end{array}$$

#### **Tertiary alcohol 15:**

Diketone **14** (8.2 mg, 0.018 mmol) was dissolved in THF (1.8 mL, 0.01 M). The reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C and (trimethylsilyl)methyllithium solution (1.0 M in pentane, 0.18 mL, 0.18 mmol, 10 equiv) was added. After stirring at the same temperature for 15 minutes, the reaction vial was removed from the ice bath. After two minutes, sat. aq. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl was added, followed by extraction with EtOAc (4 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (3 mL), then dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (hexanes  $\rightarrow$  25% EtOAc/hexanes) afforded tertiary alcohol **15** (8.4 mg, 87% yield) as a white solid.

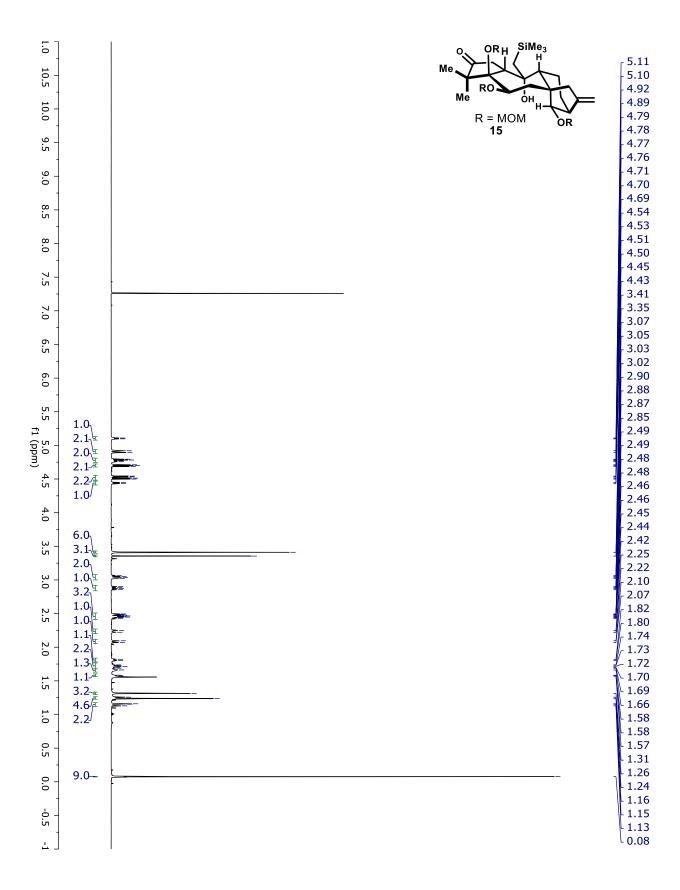
 $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}} = 0.75$  (25% in hexanes; not UV-active, stains blue-grey in *p*-anisaldehyde);  $[\boldsymbol{\alpha}]_{\mathbf{p}}^{\mathbf{20.0}} : -40.2^{\circ}$  (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>);

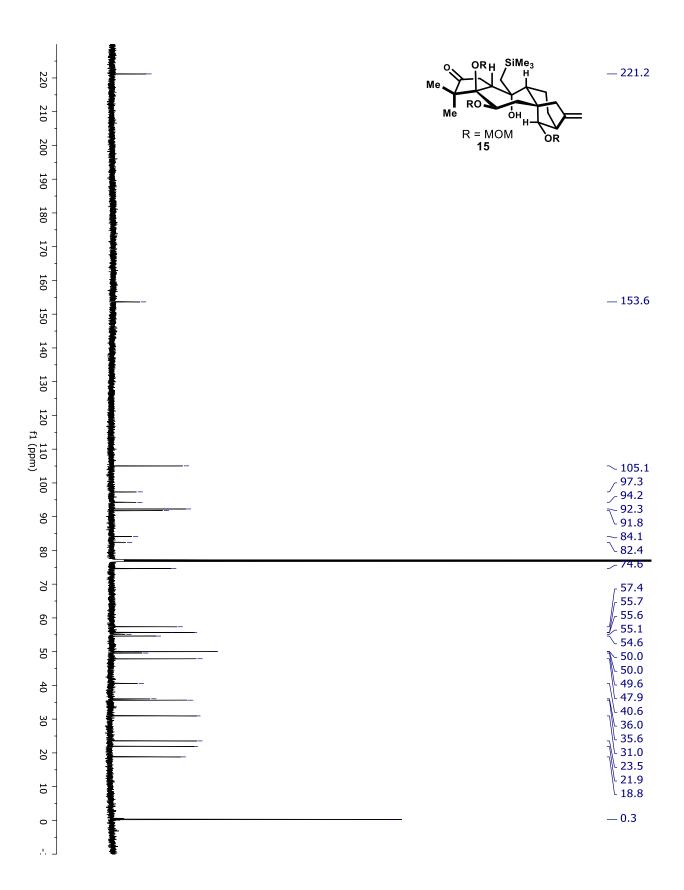
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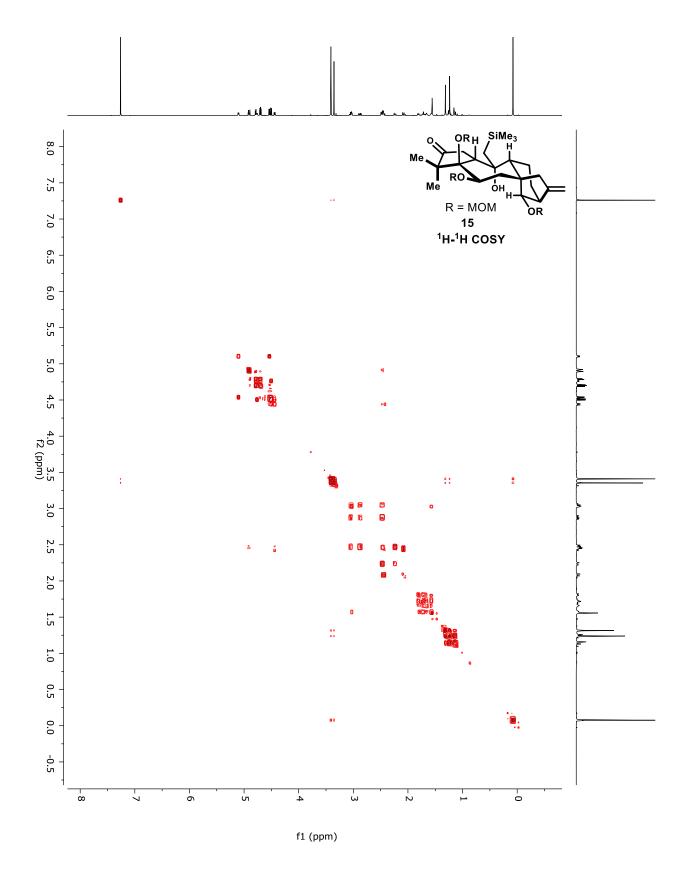
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 221.2, 153.6, 105.1, 97.3, 94.2, 92.3, 91.8, 84.1, 82.4, 74.6, 57.4, 55.7, 55.6, 55.1, 54.6, 50.1, 50.0, 49.6, 47.9, 40.6, 36.0, 35.6, 31.0, 23.5, 21.9, 18.8, 0.3;

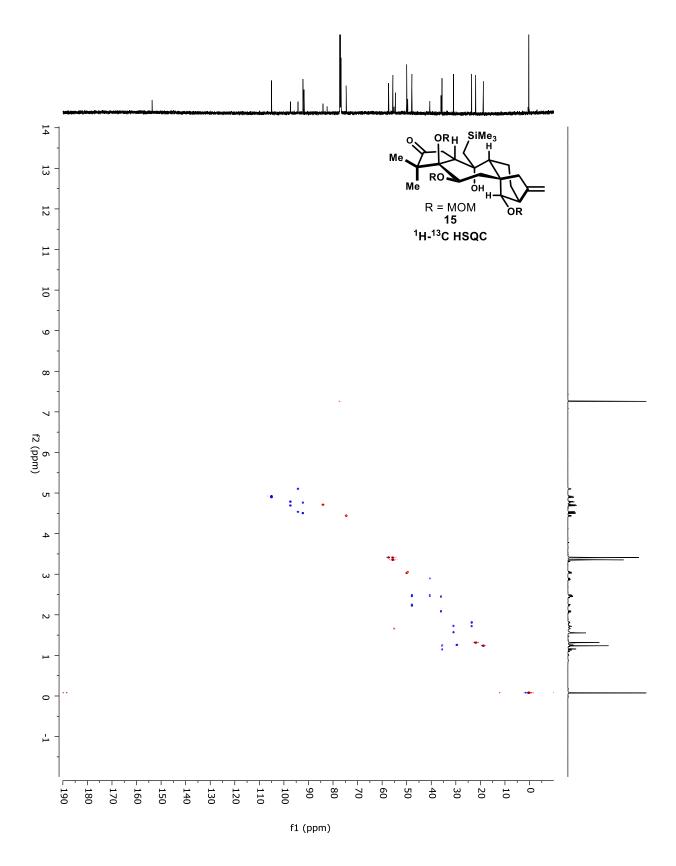
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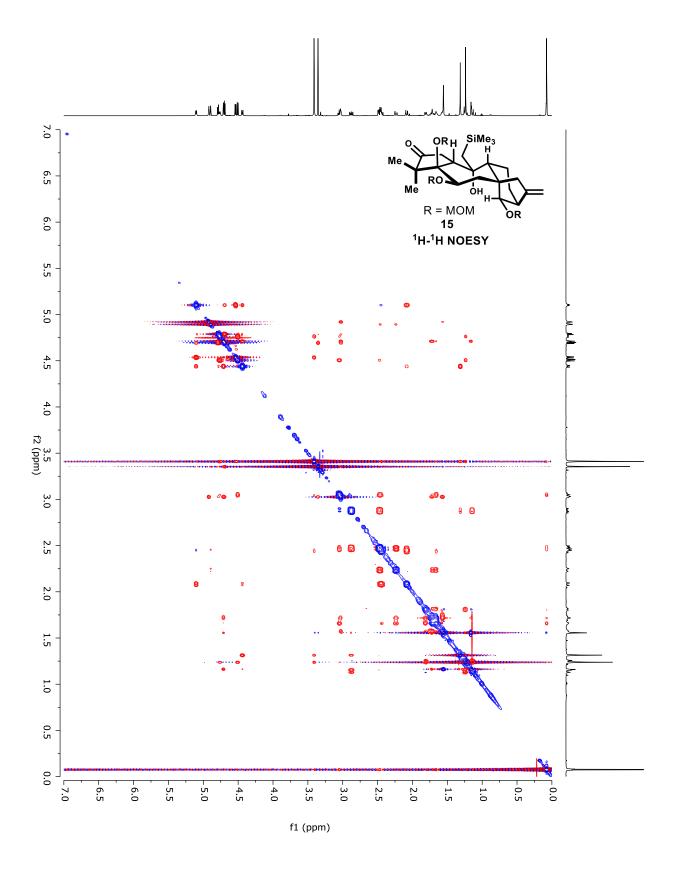
**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+Na]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{29}H_{50}NaO_8Si^+$ : 577.3167; found: 577.3189.











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$$ORH$$
 SiMe<sub>3</sub>  $ORH$   $OR$   $ORH$   $OR$   $ORH$   $ORH$ 

#### **Diol (SI-12):**

Olefin **15** (4.0 mg, 0.007 mmol) was dissolved in EtOH (0.4 mL, 0.02 M). Mn(dpm) $_3$  (0.6 mg, 0.15 equiv) was added.  $O_2$  was bubbled through the solution for 3 minutes, followed by addition of PhSiH $_3$  (1.9  $\mu$ L, 0.015 mmol, 2.2 equiv). After 1.5 h, water (2 mL) was added, followed by extraction with EtOAc (2 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (2 mL), then dried over anhydrous Na $_2$ SO $_4$ , filtered through a SiO $_2$  plug, flushed with EtOAc, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. The resulting material was used in the next step without further purification.

The hydration product was dissolved in THF (0.6 mL, 0.01 M) and cooled to 0 °C. LiEt<sub>3</sub>BH (1.0 M in THF, 0.10 mL, 0.10 mmol, 14 equiv) was added. After 2 hours, the reaction vial was moved to a 65 °C bath. After 16 hours, water (2 mL) was added, followed by extraction with EtOAc (2 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (2 mL), then dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by SiO<sub>2</sub> preparatory thin-layer chromatography eluting with 75% EtOAc/hexanes afforded diol **SI-12** (1.8 mg, 52% yield) as a white solid.

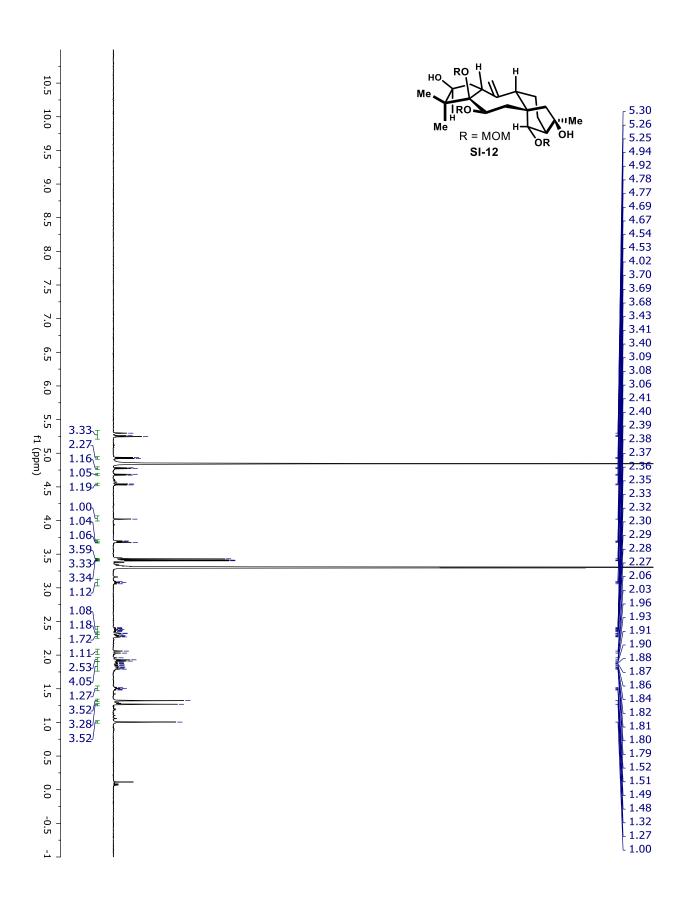
 $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}} = 0.27$  (75% EtOAc in hexanes; not UV-active, stains blue-purple in *p*-anisaldehyde);  $[\boldsymbol{\alpha}]_{\mathbf{p}}^{\mathbf{20.0}} : -14.6^{\circ}$  (*c* 0.3, MeOH);

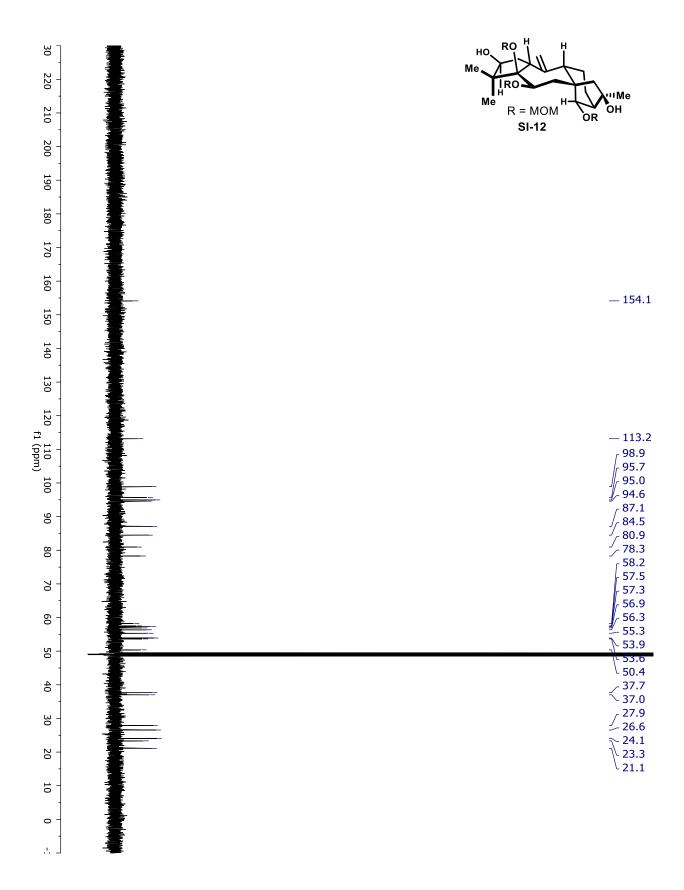
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD) δ 5.30 (s, 1H), 5.26 (s, 1H), 5.25 (s, 1H), 4.93 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 4.78 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.68 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (s, 1H), 3.69 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (s, 1H), 3.43 (s, 3H), 3.41 (s, 3H), 3.40 (s, 3H), 3.08 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 2.38 (ddd, J = 15.2, 9.0, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (ad, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 2.31 – 2.26 (m, 2H), 2.04 (d, J = 14.9 Hz, 1H), 1.96 – 1.90 (m, 2H), 1.90 – 1.77 (m, 4H), 1.54 – 1.46 (m, 1H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.27 (s, 3H), 1.00 (s, 3H);

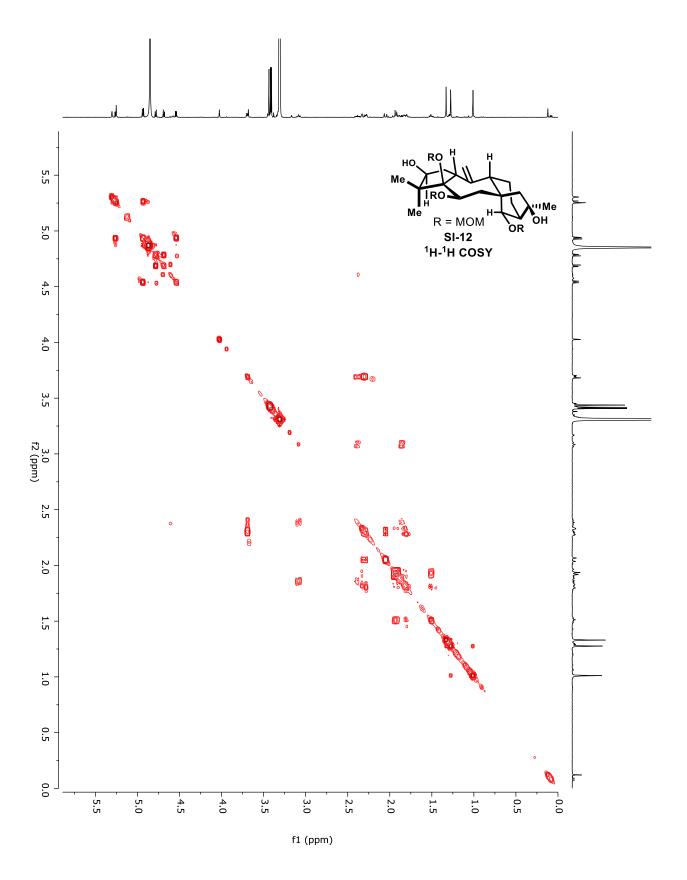
<sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD) δ 154.1, 113.2, 98.9, 95.7, 95.0, 94.6, 87.11, 84.5, 80.9, 78.3, 58.2, 57.5, 57.3, 56.9, 56.3, 55.3, 53.9, 53.6, 50.4, 37.7, 37.0, 27.9, 26.6, 24.1, 23.3, 21.1;

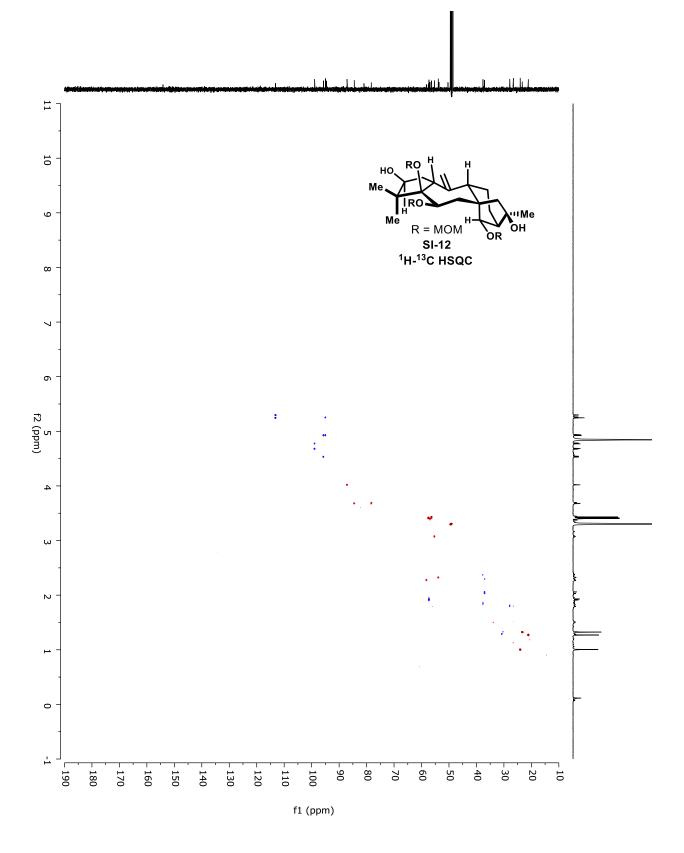
IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3474, 2935, 1447, 1414, 1248, 1212, 1147, 1093, 1057, 1029, 917, 860;

**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+Na]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{26}H_{44}NaO_8^+$ : 507.2928; found: 507.2978.









### **Principinol D:**

Diol **SI-12** (2.0 mg, 0.0041 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in 1,4-dioxane (0.30 mL, 0.01 M). 2 M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (0.15 mL) was added. After 5 days, the reaction mixture was diluted with water (2 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (2 mL), then dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure by rotary evaporation. Purification by SiO<sub>2</sub> preparatory thin-layer chromatography eluting with 50% THF/pentane afforded **principinol D** (1.2 mg, 78%) as a white solid.

 $\mathbf{R_f} = 0.14$  (EtOAc; not UV-active, stains blue-purple in *p*-anisaldehyde);

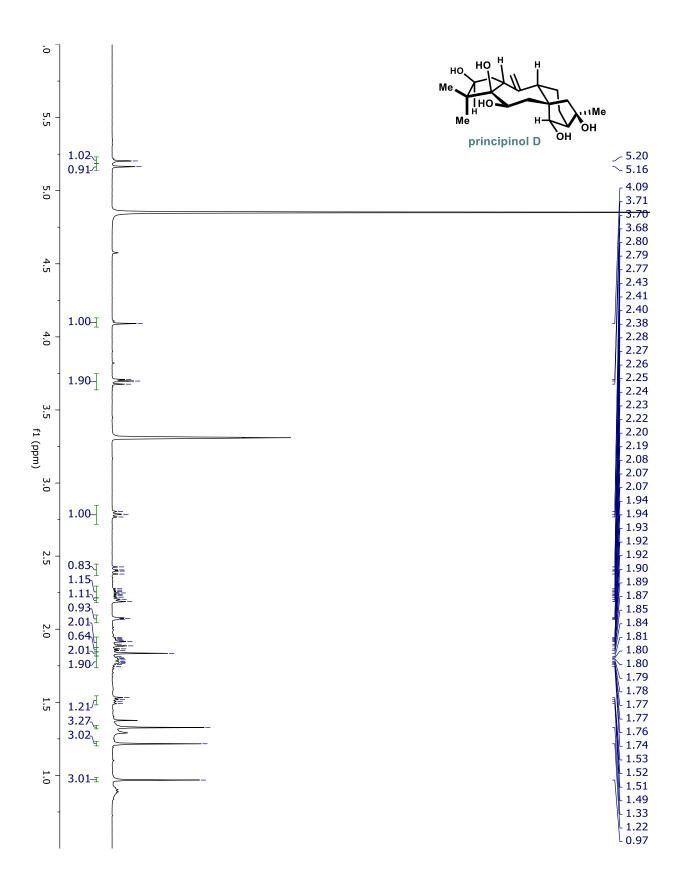
 $[\alpha]_D^{20.0}$ : +6.0° (c 0.2, MeOH);

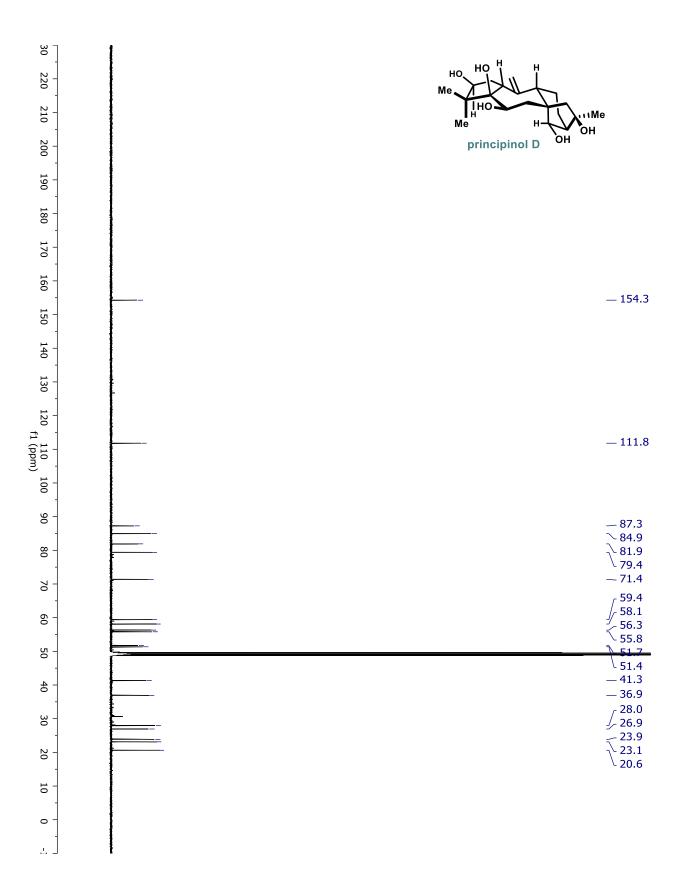
<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (500 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD) δ 5.20 (s, 1H), 5.16 (s, 1H), 4.09 (s, 1H), 3.70 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (d, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (t, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (dd, J = 14.2, 10.3 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (ddd, J = 14.5, 9.5, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 2.20 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.07 (t, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 1.95 – 1.92 (m, 1H), 1.90 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 1.86 (m, 1H), 1.84 (s, 1H), 1.84 (s, 1H), 1.82 – 1.74 (m, 2H), 1.51 (dd, J = 13.5, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 1.22 (s, 3H), 0.97 (s, 3H);

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD) δ 154.3, 111.8, 87.3, 84.9, 81.9, 79.4, 71.4, 59.4, 58.1, 56.3, 55.8, 51.7, 51.3, 41.3, 36.9, 28.0, 26.9, 23.9, 23.1, 20.6;

**ESI-HRMS** (m/z):  $[M+Na]^+$  calc'd for  $C_{20}H_{32}NaO_5^+$ : 375.2142; found: 375.2148.

There have been two reported isolations of principinol D. The assignment of absolute configuration in both cases is the same as this report. Hou et al. 8a determined the absolute configuration by X-ray crystallography of principinol D, and Zhang et al. b determined the absolute configuration based on analogy to a co-isolated acetate derivative of principinol D for which absolute configuration was determined by X-ray crystallography. Our report determines absolute configuration based on X-ray crystallography of compound 2. However, the two isolation groups reported opposite signs for the optical rotations:  $[\alpha]_D^{20.0}$ :  $-7.4^{\circ}$  (c 0.71, MeOH) disclosed by Hou et al. and  $[\alpha]_D^{20.0}$ :  $+9^{\circ}$  (c 0.2, MeOH) disclosed by Zhang et al. The negative value may have been a tabulation error or due to a minor impurity with a large negative optical rotation.





# Comparison of synthetic and natural principinol D (1)

Table SI-2: Comparison of synthetic and natural principinol D (1) by <sup>1</sup>H NMR in CD<sub>3</sub>OD

No.	This Report:	Zhang et al.: <sup>8</sup>	Difference
	Principinol D	Principinol D	(ppm)
	(CD <sub>3</sub> OD, 600 MHz)	$(CD_3OD, 400 MHz)$	
1β	2.79 (t, J = 9.3 Hz)	2.79 (t, J = 9.3 Hz)	0.00
2α	2.25  (ddd, J = 14.5, 9.5, 4.9 Hz)	2.25  (ddd, J = 14.4, 9.3, 4.8 Hz)	0.00
2β	1.86 (m)	1.86  (dd, J = 14.4, 9.3  Hz)	0.00
3	3.70 (d, J = 5.1 Hz)	3.70 (d, J = 4.8 Hz)	0.00
6α	3.68 (d, J = 10.6 Hz)	3.69 (d, J = 10.3 Hz)	0.01
7α	1.90 (d, J = 14.4 Hz)	1.90 (d, J = 14.1 Hz)	0.00
7β	2.40  (dd, J = 14.2, 10.3  Hz)	2.40  (dd, J = 14.1, 10.3  Hz)	0.00
9	2.20 (d, J = 8.0 Hz)	2.20 (d, J = 7.6 Hz)	0.00
11α	1.51 (dd, J = 13.7, 6.7 Hz)	1.51  (dd, J = 13.6, 6.7  Hz)	0.00
11β	1.78 (m)	1.78, overlap	0.00
12α	1.93 (m)	1.92, overlap	0.01
12β	1.79 (m)	1.79, overlap	0.00
13	2.07 (t, J = 3.0 Hz)	2.07 (t, J = 2.9 Hz)	0.00
14α	4.09 (s)	4.09 (s)	0.00
15α	1.84 (s)	1.84 (s)	0.00
15β	1.84 (s)	1.84 (s)	0.00
17	1.33 (s)	1.33 (s)	0.00
18	0.97 (s)	0.97 (s)	0.00
19	1.22 (s)	1.22 (s)	0.00
20a	5.20 (s)	5.20 (s)	0.00
20b	5.16 (s)	5.16 (s)	0.00

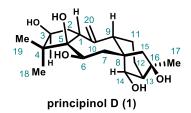


Table SI-3: Comparison of synthetic and natural principinol D (1) by <sup>13</sup>C NMR in CD<sub>3</sub>OD

No.	This Report: Principinol D (CD <sub>3</sub> OD)	Zhang et al.: <sup>8</sup> Principinol D (CD <sub>3</sub> OD)	Difference
1	59.4	59.3	0.1
2	36.9	36.9	0.0
3	84.9	84.9	0.0
4	51.7	51.7	0.0
5	87.3	87.2	0.1
6	71.4	71.3	0.1
7	41.3	41.3	0.0
8	51.3	51.3	0.0
9	58.1	58.1	0.0
10	154.3	154.2	0.1
11	26.9	26.9	0.0
12	28.0	27.9	0.1
13	55.8	55.8	0.0
14	79.4	79.4	0.0
15	56.3	56.3	0.0
16	81.9	81.9	0.0
17	23.9	23.8	0.1
18	23.1	23.1	0.0
19	20.6	20.6	0.0
20	111.8	111.8	0.0

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# Convergent Total Synthesis of (+)-Principinol D, a Rearranged Kaurane Diterpenoid

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Supporting Information Placeholder

**ABSTRACT**: The total synthesis of principinol D, a rearranged kaurane diterpenoid, is reported. This grayanane natural product is constructed via a convergent fragment coupling approach, wherein the central 7-membered ring is synthesized at a late stage. The bicyclo[3.2.1]octane fragment is accessed by a Ni-catalyzed  $\alpha$ -vinylation reaction. Strategic reductions include a diastereoselective SmI<sub>2</sub>-mediated ketone reduction with PhSH and a new protocol for selective ester reduction in the presence of ketones. The convergent strategy reported herein may be an entry point to the larger class of kaurane diterpenoids.

The grayanane diterpenoids – well known as the active components in "mad honey" due to inhibition of voltage-gated sodium ion channels<sup>1</sup> – have recently been identified as structurally novel allosteric inhibitors of carbonic anhydrases<sup>2</sup> and phosphatases.<sup>3</sup> Due to the ubiquity of various subtypes of these molecular targets, potential therapeutic development could span numerous different disease areas from neurological dysfunction to cancer.<sup>4,5</sup>

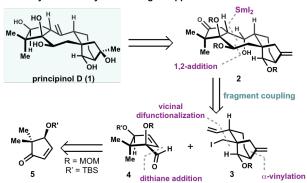
Grayananes are among a broader class of rearranged kauranes that also includes gibberellanes and 6,7-seco-kauranes (Figure 1A). The tetracyclic diterpenoid grayananes are formed by rearrangement of the kaurane 6,6-A/B ring system to a 5,7-ring system. The kauranes are derived from rearrangement and cyclization of pimaranes via the beyeranes. The first total synthesis of (±)-kaurene was completed in 1962 by Ireland and coworkers, and in recent years several groups have completed elegant syntheses of members of this broader class employing a diverse array of synthetic strategies. Nevertheless, much of the >1000 kaurane diterpenoids that have been isolated remain inaccessible by previously reported synthetic approaches.

Synthetic efforts towards the grayananes have been especially limited<sup>11</sup> despite their compelling biological activities.<sup>12</sup> To address the stereochemical complexities of these compounds, linear cyclization strategies have been employed. We speculated that a convergent retrosynthetic strategy, which isolates the two main constellations of stereocenters, would yield a laboratory route that could enable synthesis of grayanane analogs. Herein, we report the first total synthesis of the grayanane principinol D (1).

Similar to other grayanane diterpenoids, the principinols possess a highly oxidized tetracyclic framework, including a bicyclo[3.2.1]octane ring system. <sup>13</sup> As can be seen in Figure 1B, principinol D (1) has four stereocenters proximal to the left-most 5-membered ring that are separated spatially from an additional five stereocenters that decorate the bicyclo[3.2.1]octane ring system. In order to provide access to structurally diverse analogs, we designed a convergent strategy wherein two fragments would be joined to assemble the core skeleton and simultaneously merge

A. Biosynthesis of the kauranes, their precursors, and derivatives

#### B. Retrosynthetic analysis: convergent approach



**Figure 1.** A. Precursors and derivatives of the kaurane diterpenes. B. Retrosynthetic analysis of principinol D (1).

the two constellations of stereocenters. This topological simplification to mark external rings for preservation differs significantly from prior work in the grayanane class, but is a powerful strategy in diterpenoid synthesis.<sup>14</sup>

We planned to utilize two robust C–C bond-forming reactions to merge the fragments, as this would maximize success for creating derivatives for SAR investigations: fragment union via a 1,2-addition reaction between a cyclopentyl fragment (4) and a bicyclo[3.2.1]octane fragment (3), and subsequent reductive cyclization using SmI<sub>2</sub>. Dissection of the bicyclic fragment by an exendo bond using a Ni-catalyzed  $\alpha$ -vinylation reaction would reveal a 6-membered ring that could be obtained by vicinal difunctionalization of cyclohexenone. Compound 4 was readily obtained from the known compound  $\mathbf{5}^{15}$  by dithiane addition, MOM protection, and dithiane deprotection (not depicted, see Supporting Information for details).

Scheme 1. Synthesis of bicyclo[3.2.1] octane fragment coupling partner 3.<sup>a</sup>

a(1) CH<sub>2</sub>CHMgBr (1.1 equiv), CuBr·SMe<sub>2</sub> (0.1 equiv), DMPU (3.5 equiv), EtO<sub>2</sub>CCN (1.1 equiv), THF (0.6 M),  $-50 \rightarrow -72 \rightarrow 23$  °C, 6 h, 75%; (2) NaH (1.3 equiv), 2,3-dibromopropene (1.2 equiv), DMF (0.4 M), 0 → 23 °C, 13 h; (3) Zn(TMP)<sub>2</sub> (1.1 equiv), LiBH<sub>3</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub> (1.0 equiv) THF (0.1 M), 0 → 23 °C, 1 h; (4) TBSCl (5.1 equiv), imid. (10.0 equiv), DMAP (0.3 equiv), DMF (0.1 M), 40 °C, 16 h, 35% (3 steps); (5) LiHMDS (2.0 equiv), NiCl<sub>2</sub>(PCy<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (0.3 equiv), THF (0.2 M),  $-40 \rightarrow 50$  °C, 4 h, then 6 N HCl, 74%; (6) SmI<sub>2</sub> (3.0 equiv), PhSH (6.0 equiv), HMPA (10.0 equiv), THF (0.1 M), 0 °C, 1 h, 95%, >20:1 dr; (7) I<sub>2</sub> (1.5 equiv), PPh<sub>3</sub> (2.0 equiv), imid. (4.0 equiv), C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>/MeCN/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, (4:1:1, 0.2 M), 0 → 23 °C, 90 h, 88%; (8) MOMCl (5.0 equiv), *i*-Pr<sub>2</sub>NEt (5.0 equiv), CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (0.2 M), 0 → 23 °C, 72 h, 87%.

The synthesis of bicyclo[3.2.1]octane fragment 3 began with a vicinal difunctionalization of cyclohexenone with vinylmagnesium bromide in the presence of DMPU and catalytic CuBr•SMe<sub>2</sub>, followed by trapping with Mander's reagent. 16,17 β-Ketoester 7 underwent allylation with 2,3-dibromopropene. It was hoped that reduction of the ester could occur in the presence of the ketone in order to eliminate unnecessary redox fluctuations. 18 Common protocols that protect the ketone in situ via nucleophilic addition with metal amides<sup>19</sup> or phosphines<sup>20</sup> failed. Likewise, initial efforts masking the ketone as an enolate (LiHMDS, KHMDS, NaHMDS, or LDA) and treatment with a reductant (LiAlH<sub>4</sub>, DIBAL-H, AlH<sub>3</sub>, LiBH<sub>4</sub>, or LiEt<sub>3</sub>BH) led to base-mediated decomposition.<sup>21</sup> More mild and selective conditions were identified, wherein an enolate formed by deprotonation with the weaker base Zn(TMP)<sub>2</sub> underwent reduction with commercially available LiBH<sub>3</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub><sup>22</sup> to form the base-sensitive keto-alcohol **8**. It is our expectation that this procedure will find additional application in the selective reduction of esters in the presence of enolizable carbonyl compounds, especially in the case of base-sensitive substrates. Protection of the resultant primary alcohol as the TBS ether provided the vinylation precursor 9 in 35% yield as a single diastereomer over 3 steps.

In order to form the bicycle 10 from the halide 9, a variety of  $\alpha$ vinylation substrates and conditions were investigated. We found that the analogous  $\beta$ -ketoester (not depicted, the product of step 2) was not a viable substrate for the vinylation reaction. This may be due to the preference for the ester-containing compound to adopt the chair conformation wherein the ester is axial and the allyl group is equatorial, thus disfavoring the formation of the Cvinylation product, which is only accessible for the conformation wherein the allyl group is axial. We hypothesized that replacing the ester with a larger substituent would predispose the intermediate to adopt the necessary chair conformer in which the allyl substituent is axial, and thus lead to higher degrees of C-vinylation this is indeed what we observed. Vinylation was ultimately performed using NiCl<sub>2</sub>(PCy<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> as a pre-catalyst and LiHMDS as base. These conditions proved to be more successful than either Pd-catalyzed conditions, 23 wherein cross-coupling can be problematic on such 1,1-disubstituted alkenes, or Ni-catalyzed conditions employing NHC ligands as recently reported by Helquist.<sup>2</sup>

Following deprotection of the TBS-protected keto-alcohol, we required a diastereoselective reduction of ketone 10. Unfortunately, reduction with boron or aluminum hydrides (NaBH<sub>4</sub>,

Et<sub>2</sub>BOMe/NaBH<sub>4</sub>, NaBH<sub>4</sub>/CeCl<sub>3</sub>, DIBAL, Al(O-*i*-Pr)<sub>3</sub>) produced predominantly the undesired diastereomer. With use of SmI<sub>2</sub> in the presence of H<sub>2</sub>O the product was still disfavored (dr = 1:2). Addition of HMPA and PhSH, <sup>25</sup> which may act as an H-atom donor, <sup>26</sup> provided the desired product in an excellent yield (95%, >20:1 dr). The use of HMPA was required for the reaction to proceed to full conversion, presumably because it increases the reduction potential of the samarium complex. <sup>27,28</sup> After the development of this protocol, it was successfully employed in the context of a different natural product synthesis and found to be similarly effective for the reduction of 1,3-diketones. <sup>6</sup> These modified conditions of classic SmI<sub>2</sub>-mediated thermodynamic reduction may find additional utility in multistep synthesis.

Conversion of the primary alcohol in the presence of a secondary alcohol to the primary alkyl iodide occurred smoothly by the Appel reaction using a trisolvent system of  $C_6H_6/MeCN/CH_2Cl_2$  in a ratio of 4:1:1. It is noteworthy that this trisolvent system proved to be uniquely effective for this transformation: experiments with a single solvent or combinations thereof resulted in prohibitively low yields. After MOM protection of the remaining secondary alcohol, the bicycle 3 necessary for fragment coupling was obtained.

To link the two fragments, the racemic bicyclo[3.2.1]octane **3** was treated with *tert*-butyllithium, followed by addition of enantioenriched cyclopentyl aldehyde **4** (er = 93:7), which provided the adduct as a separable mixture of diastereomers in 5:5:1:1 dr with a combined yield of 62%. Proceeding forward with the single desired diastereomer that was formed in 26% yield, protection of the secondary alcohol with MOMCl formed **12**; due to the steric hindrance at this center, introduction of other protecting groups such as TBS and TES was not feasible. The allylic silyl ether could be converted to an enone, and selective oxidative cleavage of the monosubstituted alkene in the presence of the 1,1-disubstituted alkene afforded enone-aldehyde **13**. To obtain the observed selectivity, DABCO was a key additive, whereas NMO, 2,6-lutidine, methanesulfonamide, and various two-step procedures were less effective.<sup>29</sup>

At this stage, closure of the seven-membered ring using  $SmI_2$  was attempted.  $^{30,\,31}$  After extensive optimization, it was found that treatment of enone-aldehyde 13 with  $SmI_2$  in the presence of water provided the desired tetracycle 2 in 63% yield as a single diastereomer. The structure and stereochemistry of this compound were determined by NOESY NMR and eventually confirmed by X-ray crystallography.

Scheme 2. Total synthesis of principinol D (1) via fragment coupling and reductive cyclization<sup>a</sup>

aReagents and conditions: (9) *t*-BuLi (2.0 equiv), pentane:Et<sub>2</sub>O (3:2, 0.1 M),  $-70 \rightarrow 0$  °C, 2.5 h, 62%; (10) MOMCl (10 equiv), DMAP (2.2 equiv), *i*-Pr<sub>2</sub>NEt (15 equiv), (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub> (0.2 M), 80 °C, 17 h, 88%; (11) TBAF (5.0 equiv), THF (0.1 M), 23 °C, 3 h, 96%; (12) DMP (5.0 equiv), CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (0.1 M), 23 °C, 30 h, 79%; (13) OsO<sub>4</sub> (0.1 equiv), DABCO (3.0 equiv), NaIO<sub>4</sub> (3.0 equiv), THF/H<sub>2</sub>O (2:1, 0.01 M), 0 °C, 15 h, 84%; (14) SmI<sub>2</sub> (25 equiv), H<sub>2</sub>O (2.6 equiv), THF (0.01 M),  $-72 \rightarrow 0$  °C, 2.5 h, 63%; (15) DMP (5.0 equiv), pyridine:CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1:2, 0.07 M), 23 °C, 20 h, 92%; (16) Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>Li (10 equiv), THF (0.01 M), 0 °C, 0.3 h, 87%; (17) Mn(dpm)<sub>3</sub> (0.15 equiv), PhSiH<sub>3</sub> (2.2 equiv), O<sub>2</sub>, EtOH (0.02 M), 23 °C, 1.5 h; (18) LiEt<sub>3</sub>BH (14 equiv), THF (0.01 M), 0 → 65 °C, 16 h, 52% over 2 steps; (19) 2 M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>:1,4-dioxane (1:2, 0.02 M), 23 °C, 5 d.

After completion of the synthesis of the carbocyclic core structure 2, significant challenges stood ahead: installation of the secondary alcohol at C3, alkene at C10, and tertiary alcohol at C16. Several sequences of events were investigated and it was found that intermediate 14, prepared by oxidation of 2 using Dess-Martin periodinane buffered with pyridine, was a viable substrate to navigate chemoselectivity challenges. A selective olefination of the ketone on the seven-membered ring was attempted in the presence of the five-membered ring ketone. Standard olefination conditions (e.g. Wittig, Tebbe, Petasis, Nysted, etc.) were unable to form the desired exocyclic olefin. However, it was found that treatment with Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>Li was efficient in producing Peterson adduct 15.<sup>32</sup> Thus, the three sites (C3, C10, C16) were differentiated in a synthetically productive way.

Mukaiyama hydration of the exocyclic olefin with Mn(dpm)<sub>3</sub>, PhSiH<sub>3</sub>, and O<sub>2</sub> installed the tertiary alcohol at C16. Reduction of cyclopentyl ketone **15** at C3 produced predominantly the undesired α-alcohol under most conditions that were attempted (e.g. DIBAL, LAH, NaBH<sub>4</sub>, NaBH<sub>4</sub>, CeCl<sub>3</sub>•7H<sub>2</sub>O, Na<sup>0</sup>, LiBH<sub>4</sub>, Zn(BH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, SmI<sub>2</sub>, etc.). Reaction with LiEt<sub>3</sub>BH resulted in the exclusive formation of the desired alcohol at C3. Upon heating, concomitant elimination of the Peterson adduct released the methylidene at C10, providing the product as one diastereomer in 52% yield over 2 steps. Global MOM deprotection occurred smoothly using H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> in 1,4-dioxane, furnishing principinol D (1). The NMR spectral data was identical to those reported. <sup>13</sup>

The work described herein represents the first total synthesis of principinol D (1) by a 19-step approach. This synthesis features a convergent fragment coupling strategy, and a  $SmI_2$ -mediated reductive cyclization to form the central seven-membered ring of the grayanane skeleton. In addition,  $\alpha$ -vinylation conditions are reported to form the bicyclo[3.2.1]octane, as well as a diasteroselective  $SmI_2$ -mediated reduction of a bicyclic ketone. This synthetic route is expected to lead to laboratory access to a variety of derivatives, including ones which selectively act on phosphatases, carbonic anhydrases, or voltage-gated sodium ion channels, all known targets of the grayananes.

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