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Total Synthesis and Biological Activity of Neopeltolide and Analogues

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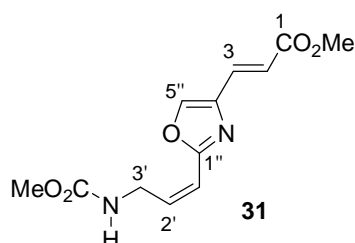
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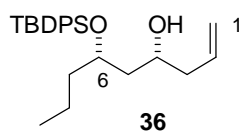
Remaining experimental details
 ^1H - and ^{13}C NMR spectra of important compounds

General. Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were performed in oven-dried glassware. All solvents used in the reactions were purified before use. Dry diethyl ether, tetrahydrofuran, and toluene were distilled from sodium and benzophenone, whereas dry CH₂Cl₂, dimethylformamide, methanol, ethyl acetate, benzene, and triethylamine were distilled from CaH₂. Petroleum ether with a boiling range of 40–60 °C was used. Reactions were generally run under argon or nitrogen atmosphere. All commercially available compounds (Acros, Aldrich, Fluka, Merck) were used without purification. ¹H and ¹³C NMR: Bruker Avance 400, spectra were recorded at 295 K either in CDCl₃ or CD₃OD; chemical shifts are calibrated to the residual proton and carbon resonance of the solvent: CDCl₃ (δH 7.25, δC 77.0 ppm), CD₃OD (δH 3.30, δC 49.0 ppm). Melting points: Büchi Melting Point B-540, uncorrected. HRMS (FT-ICR): Bruker Daltonic APEX 2 with electron spray ionization (ESI). Analytical LC-MS: HP 1100 Series connected with an ESI MS detector Agilent G1946C, positive mode with fragmentor voltage of 40 eV, column: Nucleosil 100-5, C-18 HD, 5 mm, 70 × 3 mm Machery Nagel, eluent: NaCl solution (5 mM)/acetonitrile, gradient: 0-10-15-17-20 min with 20-80-80-99-99% acetonitrile, flow: 0.5 mL min⁻¹. Flash chromatography: J. T. Baker silica gel 43–60 mm. Thin-layer chromatography Machery-Nagel Polygram Sil G/UV254. Optical rotations: Perkin-Elmer Polarimeter 341, sodium D line (589 nm), *c* = g per 100 mL.



Methyl (2E)-3-(2-((1Z)-3-((methoxycarbonyl)amino)prop-1-enyl)-1,3-oxazol-4-yl)acrylate

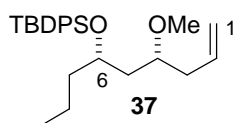
(31): To a solution of aldehyde **29** (67 mg, 0.32 mmol, 1 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) at ambient temperature was added (methoxycarbonylmethylene)triphenylphosphorane^[1] (213.8 mg, 0.64 mmol, 2 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred for 3 h, concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 98:2) to afford unsaturated ester **31** (78.3 mg, 92%) as a colorless solid; m.p. 117–118 °C. TLC (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 9:1): *R*_f = 0.59; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 3.67 (s, 3H, 4'-OCH₃), 3.71 (s, 3H, 1-OCH₃), 4.33–4.40 (m, 2H, 3'-H), 5.49 (br s, 1H, NH), 6.13–6.24 (m, 1H, 2'-H), 6.30 (d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 6.63 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.72 (s, 1H, 5''-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 39.4 (C-3'), 51.7 (OCH₃), 52.2 (OCH₃), 115.6 (C-1'), 120.0 (C-2), 132.1 (C-5''), 138.1 (C-4''), 138.5 (C-3), 139.0 (C-2'), 157.2 (CO₂CH₃), 160.7 (C-2''), 167.1 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₂H₁₄NaN₂O₅ [M+Na]⁺: 289.07949, found 289.07953.



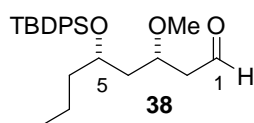
(4R,6S)-6-[[tert-Butyl(diphenyl)silyloxy]non-1-en-4-ol (36): To a cooled (–20 °C) solution of (*S,S*)-**6** (22.3 g, 40.4 mmol, 1.1 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (190 mL) was added aldehyde^[2] **5** (13.0 g, 36.7 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The reaction mixture was then placed into a freezer (–10 °C) and maintained at that temperature for 24 h (without stirring). The reaction was quenched while cold with 1N HCl (100 mL) and EtOAc (100 mL) and the mixture was vigorously stirred at room temperature for 15 min. The obtained white precipitate of (*S,S*)-*N,N'*-bis-(4-bromobenzyl)-cyclohexane-1,2-diamine dihydrochloride was filtered, washed with Et₂O (3 × 50 mL) and dried in vacuo (recovered 18.6 g, 91% of (*S,S*)-diamine dihydrochloride). The filtrate layers were separated and the aqueous layer

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was extracted with Et₂O (3 × 100 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with H₂O (100 mL), saturated NaCl solution (100 mL), dried (MgSO₄), and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo to give the crude product, which was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 20:1? 10:1) to give homoallylic alcohol **36** (12.30 g, 85%) as a colorless oil. TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 10:1): *R*_f = 0.41; [α]_D²⁰ = +6.7 (*c* 3.0, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.62 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H, 8-CH₃), 1.06 (s, 9H, Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 1.13–1.45 (m, 4H, 7-H, 8-H), 1.59–1.67 (m, 2H, 5-H), 2.08–2.21 (m, 2H, 3-H), 2.66 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.80–3.90 (m, 1H, 4-H), 3.93–4.02 (m, 1H, 6-H), 5.03–5.07 (m, 1H, 1-H), 5.08–5.10 (m, 1H, 1-H), 5.70–5.84 (m, 1H, 2-H), 7.35–7.47 (m, 6H, *m*CH, *p*CH ar Ph), 7.69–7.74 (m, 4H, *o*CH ar Ph); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 13.8 (8-CH₃), 18.0 (C-8), 19.3 (Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 27.0 (Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 39.4 (C-7), 42.0 (C-3), 42.6 (C-5), 69.4 (C-4), 73.3 (C-6), 117.6 (C-1), 127.5, 127.6, 129.6, 129.7, 133.7, 134.4 (C of SiPh₂), 134.7 (C-2), 134.8, 135.9 (C of SiPh₂); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₅H₃₆NaO₂Si [M+Na]⁺: 419.23768, found 419.23758.

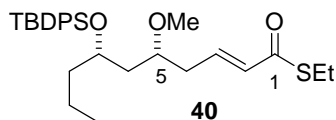


tert-Butyl[(1*S*,3*R*)-3-methoxy-1-propylhex-5-enyl]oxydiphenylsilane (37): To a solution of alcohol **36** (8.51 g, 21.4 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (220 mL) in the dark at room temperature was added Me₃OBF₄ (11.1 g, 74.9 mmol) and proton sponge (22.9 g, 107 mmol). The mixture was allowed to stir for 48 h. After complete reaction (monitoring by TLC) H₂O was added (50 mL) and the mixture extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 100 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with 1N HCl, saturated NaHCO₃ and saturated NaCl solution, dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography of the residue (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 40:1? 20:1) afforded methyl ether **37** (7.64 g, 87% yield) as a colorless oil. TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 10:1): *R*_f = 0.57; [α]_D²⁰ = −7.9 (*c* 2.1, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.74 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H, 8-CH₃), 1.08 (s, 9H, Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 1.15–1.36 (m, 2H, 8-H), 1.37–1.60 (m, 3H, 7-H, 5-H), 1.74–1.82 (m, 1H, 5-H), 1.99–2.08 (m, 1H, 3-H), 2.10–2.19 (m, 1H, 3-H), 3.23 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.34–3.42 (m, 1H, 4-H), 3.81–3.89 (m, 1H, 6-H), 4.92–5.02 (m, 2H, 1-H), 5.64–5.77 (m, 1H, 2-H), 7.35–7.46 (m, 6H, *m*CH, *p*CH ar Ph), 7.68–7.74 (m, 4H, *o*CH ar Ph); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 14.0 (8-CH₃), 17.9 (C-8), 19.4 (Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 27.1 (Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 37.6 (C-3), 39.1 (C-7), 40.1 (C-5), 56.0 (OCH₃), 70.6 (C-6), 77.2 (C-4), 116.8 (C-1), 127.4, 127.5, 129.4, 129.5, 134.4, 134.6 (C of SiPh₂), 134.7 (C-2), 135.9 (C of SiPh₂); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₆H₃₈NaO₂Si [M+Na]⁺: 433.25333, found 433.25335.

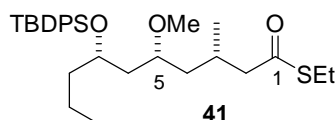


(3*S*,5*S*)-5-[(*tert*-butyl(diphenyl)silyloxy)-3-methoxy]octanal (38): To a solution of alkene **37** (6.50 g, 15.9 mmol) in a mixture of THF/*t*BuOH (200/40 mL) was added 4-methyl-morpholine-*N*-oxide (4.30 g, 31.8 mmol) and an aqueous solution of OsO₄ (10 mL of a 0.032M solution, 0.32 mmol, 2 mol%, prepared from K₂OsO₄·2H₂O (118 mg, 0.32 mmol)) at 0 °C. After being stirred at room temperature for 20 h, 10% Na₂S₂O₃ solution (50 mL) was added to the mixture. After 30 min, the diol was extracted with EtOAc and the combined organic extracts were washed with water, saturated NaCl solution, dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was filtered through a short pad of silica gel followed by rinsing the pad with EtOAc. Removal of the solvent from the combined filtrate gave the crude diol. NaIO₄ (5.1 g, 24.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added to a solution of crude diol in 90% MeOH (200 mL). After stirring at room temperature for 1 h, most of the methanol was removed in vacuo and the residue extracted with Et₂O (3 × 150 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with water, saturated NaCl solution, dried over MgSO₄, and filtered. After concentration, the residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 10:1? 5:1) to give aldehyde **38** as a colorless oil (6.11 g, 93% for 2 steps).

TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 10:1): $R_f = 0.37$; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -3.6$ (c 1.4, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 0.75$ (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 7- CH_3), 1.05 (s, 9H, $\text{Si}(\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3)$), 1.14–1.33 (m, 2H, 7-H), 1.38–1.60 (m, 3H, 6-H, 4-H), 1.86–1.94 (m, 1H, 4-H), 2.15–2.30 (m, 2H, 2-H), 3.21 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.72–3.82 (m, 2H, 3-H, 5-H), 7.33–7.44 (m, 6H, $m\text{CH}$, $p\text{CH}$ ar Ph), 7.63–7.69 (m, 4H, $o\text{CH}$ ar Ph), 9.54–9.57 (m, 1H, CHO); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 14.0$ (7- CH_3), 17.9 (C-7), 19.3 ($\text{Si}(\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3)$), 27.1 ($\text{Si}(\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3)$), 39.2 (C-6), 40.1 (C-4), 47.9 (C-2), 56.3 (OCH_3), 70.2 (C-5), 73.5 (C-3), 127.5, 127.6, 129.6, 129.7, 134.0, 134.3, 135.9, 135.9 (C of SiPh_2), 201.5 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{36}\text{NaO}_3\text{Si}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 435.23259, found 435.23257.



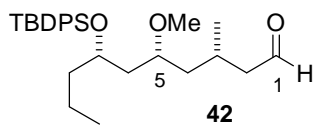
S-Ethyl (2E,5R,7S)-7-[[tert-butyl(diphenyl)silyloxy]-5-methoxydec-2-enethioate (40): A solution of aldehyde **38** (6.10 g, 14.8 mmol) and ylide^[31] **39** (8.1 g, 22.2 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (250 mL) was heated at reflux for 10 h. The solution was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 40:1? 20:1) to afford the desired α,β -unsaturated thioester **40** as a colorless oil (6.71 g, 91%). TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 10:1): $R_f = 0.51$; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -22.3$ (c 3.2, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 0.74$ (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 9- CH_3), 1.05 (s, 9H, $\text{Si}(\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3)$), 1.14–1.33 (m, 5H, 9-H, SCH_2CH_3), 1.38–1.52 (m, 3H, 6-H, 8-H), 1.76–1.84 (m, 1H, 6-H), 1.99–2.08 (m, 1H, 4-H), 2.13–2.20 (m, 1H, 4-H), 2.93 (q, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 2H, SCH_2CH_3), 3.21 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.37–3.43 (m, 1H, 5-H), 3.75–3.80 (m, 1H, 7-H), 5.96 (d, $J = 15.7$ Hz, 1H, 2-H), 6.70–6.79 (m, 1H, 3-H), 7.34–7.46 (m, 6H, $m\text{CH}$, $p\text{CH}$ ar Ph), 7.64–7.70 (m, 4H, $o\text{CH}$ ar Ph); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 14.0$ (9- CH_3), 14.8 (SCH_2CH_3), 18.0 (C-9), 19.3 ($\text{Si}(\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3)$), 23.0 (SCH_2CH_3), 27.1 ($\text{Si}(\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3)$), 36.2 (C-4), 39.2 (C-8), 40.3 (C-6), 56.3 (OCH_3), 70.3 (C-7), 76.5 (C-5), 127.4, 127.6, 129.5, 129.7 (C of SiPh_2), 130.5 (C-2), 134.1, 134.4, 135.9 (C of SiPh_2), 141.3 (C-3), 189.8 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{42}\text{NaO}_3\text{SSi}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 521.25161, found 521.25170.



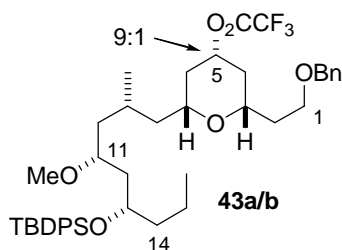
S-Ethyl (3S,5R,7S)-7-[[tert-butyl(diphenyl)silyloxy]-5-methoxy-3-methyldecane-1-thioate (41): $\text{CuBr}\cdot\text{Me}_2\text{S}$ (7.1 mg, 0.034 mmol, 3 mol%) and (*S,R*_{Fe})-Josiphos **9** (26.0 mg, 0.04 mmol, 3.6 mol%) were dissolved in *t*BuOMe (10 mL) and stirred at room temperature for 30 min under nitrogen. The mixture was cooled to -75 °C and MeMgBr (3M solution in Et_2O , 465 μL , 1.4 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was added dropwise. After stirring for 10 min, a solution of unsaturated thioester **40** (572 mg, 1.15 mmol, 1 equiv) in *t*BuOMe (1.2 mL) was added via a syringe pump over 2 h. The reaction mixture was stirred at -75 °C for 12 h, then quenched by the addition of MeOH and allowed to warm to room temperature. Saturated aqueous NH_4Cl solution was then added, the phases were separated and the aqueous layer extracted with Et_2O (2×50 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over MgSO_4 , filtered, concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 30:1? 20:1) to afford the desired 1,4-addition adduct **41** as a colorless oil (501 mg, 85%). TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 10:1): $R_f = 0.57$; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -6.8$ (c 1.5, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 0.72$ (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 9- CH_3), 0.86 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H, 3- CH_3), 1.04 (s, 9H, $\text{Si}(\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3)$), 1.14–1.31 (m, 7H, 4-H, 9-H, SCH_2CH_3), 1.34–1.53 (m, 3H, 6-H, 8-H), 1.72–1.81 (m, 1H, 6-H), 2.00–2.12 (m, 1H, 3-H), 2.13–2.21 (m, 1H, 2-H), 2.48 (dd, $J = 14.4$, 4.8 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 2.86 (q, $J = 14.9$ Hz, 2H, SCH_2CH_3), 3.16 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.24–3.30 (m, 1H, 5-H), 3.76–3.82 (m, 1H, 7-H), 7.33–7.44 (m, 6H, $m\text{CH}$, $p\text{CH}$ ar Ph), 7.64–7.69 (m, 4H, $o\text{CH}$ ar Ph); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 14.0$ (9- CH_3), 14.8 (SCH_2CH_3), 17.9 (C-9), 19.4 ($\text{Si}(\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3)$), 20.2 (3- CH_3), 23.2 (SCH_2CH_3),

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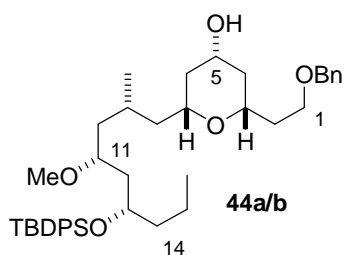
27.1 (Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 27.8 (C-3), 39.0 (C-8), 40.6 (C-6), 41.2 (C-4), 50.8 (C-2), 55.7 (OCH₃), 70.6 (C-7), 75.9 (C-5), 127.4, 127.5, 129.5, 129.5, 134.3, 134.6, 136.0 (C of SiPh₂), 199.0 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₀H₄₆NaO₃SSi [M+Na]⁺: 537.28291, found 537.28327.



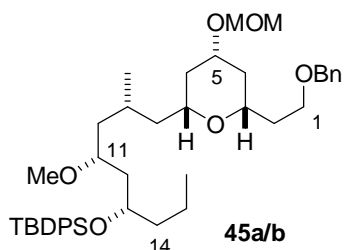
(3*S*,5*R*,7*S*)-7-[[*tert*-Butyl(diphenyl)silyl]oxy]-5-methoxy-3-methyldecanal (42**):** To a stirred mixture of the thioester **41** (470 mg, 0.92 mmol) and Pd/C (47.0 mg, 10% wt) in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) was added Et₃SiH (438 μL, 2.76 mmol, 3 equiv) at room temperature under nitrogen. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. The catalyst was filtered off through a pad of celite and washed with CH₂Cl₂. The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 10:1? 5:1) to give the pure aldehyde **42** (397 mg, 95%) as a colorless oil. TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 10:1): *R*_f = 0.36; [α]_D²⁰ = -3.0 (*c* 1, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.73 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H, 9-CH₃), 0.87 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 3H, 3-CH₃), 1.04 (s, 9H, Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 1.14–1.30 (m, 4H, 4-H, 9-H), 1.37–1.52 (m, 3H, 6-H, 8-H), 1.73–1.83 (m, 1H, 6-H), 1.98–2.09 (m, 2H, 2-H, 3-H), 2.25–2.32 (m, 1H, 2-H), 3.14 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.25–3.32 (m, 1H, 5-H), 3.76–3.81 (m, 1H, 7-H), 7.33–7.44 (m, 6H, *m*CH, *p*CH ar Ph), 7.64–7.70 (m, 4H, *o*CH ar Ph), 9.61–9.64 (m, 1H, CHO); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 14.0 (9-CH₃), 18.0 (C-9), 19.4 (Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 20.8 (3-CH₃), 24.7 (C-3), 27.1 (Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 39.2 (C-8), 40.3 (C-6), 41.1 (C-4), 50.5 (C-2), 55.4 (OCH₃), 70.6 (C-7), 75.7 (C-5), 127.4, 127.5, 129.5, 129.6, 134.3, 134.5, 136.0 (C of SiPh₂), 202.9 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₈H₄₂NaO₃Si [M+Na]⁺: 477.28009, found 477.27978.



Trifluoroacetate 43a/b (Prins cyclization): Trifluoroacetic acid (0.78 ml, 8.2 mmol, 10 equiv) was added to a solution of alcohol^[21] **12** (220 mg, 1.07 mmol, 1.3 equiv) and aldehyde **42** (372 mg, 0.82 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (8 mL) at -5 °C under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at this temperature and then saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (10 mL) was added dropwise. The layers were separated and the aqueous phase was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 30 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with saturated NaCl solution (20 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered, concentrated in vacuo and purified by column flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 15:1? 10:1) to afford trifluoroacetate **43a/b** (major/minor = 9:1) as a colorless oil (437 mg, 71%). TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 4:1): *R*_f = 0.75; [α]_D²⁰ = -2.7 (*c* 3.8, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.65 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H, 16-H), 0.76 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H, 9-CH₃), 0.98 (s, 9H, Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 1.03–1.54 (m, 12H, 14-H, 15-H, 6-H, 8-H, 2-H, 10-H), 1.64–1.82 (m, 3H, 12-H, 9-H), 1.84–2.00 (m, 2H, 4-H), 3.10 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.19–3.37 (m, 2H, 7-H, 3-H), 3.41–3.60 (m, 3H, 11-H, 1-H), 3.70–3.79 (m, 1H, 13-H), 4.40 (s, 2H, PhCH₂O), 4.96–5.07 (m, 1H, 5-H), 7.18–7.37 (m, 11H, *m*CH, *p*CH ar SiPh₂, Ph of Bn), 7.59–7.67 (m, 4H, *o*CH ar SiPh₂); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 14.0 (C-16), 17.9 (C-15), 19.4 (Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 19.9 (9-CH₃), 25.6 (C-9), 26.5, 27.1 (Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 36.1 (C-2), 36.7 (C-4), 37.3 (C-10), 39.0 (C-6), 40.9 (C-14), 42.3 (C-12), 42.9 (C-8), 55.7 (OCH₃), 66.4 (C-1), 70.6 (C-13), 71.9 (C-11), 72.5 (C-7), 73.1 (PhCH₂O), 75.4 (C-5), 76.0 (C-3), 114.5 (q, *J* = 286 Hz, CF₃), 127.4, 127.4, 127.6, 127.6, 127.7, 128.4, 129.5, 129.6, 134.4, 134.5, 135.9, 138.3 (C of SiPh₂ and Ph of Bn), 156.9 (q, *J* = 42 Hz, COCF₃); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₄₃H₅₉F₃NaO₆Si [M+Na]⁺: 779.39252, found 779.39261.



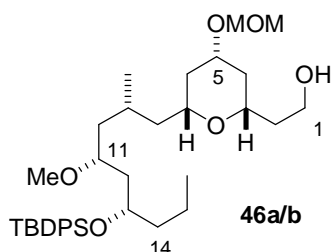
Tetrahydropyran 44a/b: To a solution of trifluoroacetate **43a/b** (360 mg, 0.476 mmol) in methanol (5 mL) were added K_2CO_3 (131 mg, 0.95 mmol) and water (0.2 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, then diluted with water (5 mL) and extracted with Et_2O (3×30 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with saturated NaCl solution (20 mL), dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography of the residue (petroleum ether/ $EtOAc$, 3:1? 2:1) provided alcohol **44a/b** (290 mg, 92% yield) as a colorless oil. TLC (petroleum ether/ $EtOAc$, 2:1): $R_f = 0.30$; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -19.1$ (c 1.8, CH_2Cl_2); 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): data for major isomer: $\delta = 0.65$ (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 16-H), 0.76 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H, 9- CH_3), 0.98 (s, 9H, $Si(C(CH_3)_3)$), 1.02–1.54 (m, 12H, 14-H, 15-H, 6-H, 8-H, 2-H, 10-H), 1.62–1.80 (m, 5H, 12-H, 9-H, 4-H, 2-H), 1.83–1.89 (m, 1H, 4-H), 3.10 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.20–3.30 (m, 2H, 7-H, 11-H), 3.34–3.42 (m, 1H, 3-H), 3.47–3.58 (m, 2H, 1-H), 3.64–3.81 (m, 2H, 5-H, 13-H), 4.41 (s, 2H, $PhCH_2O$), 7.18–7.34 (m, 11H, mCH , pCH ar $SiPh_2$, Ph of Bn), 7.59–7.64 (m, 4H, oCH ar $SiPh_2$); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 14.0$ (C-16), 17.8 (C-15), 19.4 ($Si(C(CH_3)_3)$), 19.9 (9- CH_3), 25.8 (C-9), 27.1 ($Si(C(CH_3)_3)$), 36.2 (C-2), 38.9 (C-10), 41.0 (C-4), 41.4 (C-6), 41.9 (C-14), 42.4 (C-12), 43.2 (C-8), 55.7 (OCH_3), 66.8 (C-1), 68.3 (C-13), 70.7 (C-5), 72.2 (C-11), 72.9 (C-7), 73.1 ($PhCH_2O$), 76.1 (C-3), 127.4, 127.4, 127.5, 127.6, 128.3, 129.4, 129.4, 134.4, 134.6, 135.9, 135.9, 138.5 (C of $SiPh_2$ and Ph of Bn); HRMS (ESI): calcd for $C_{41}H_{60}NaO_5Si$ $[M+Na]^+$: 683.41022, found 683.41103.



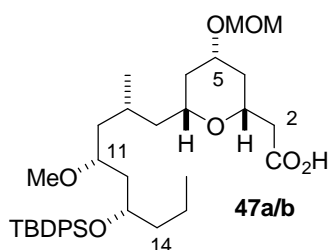
Methoxymethyl ether 45a/b: To a stirred, cooled (0 °C) solution of alcohol **44a/b** (278 mg, 0.44 mmol) in DMF (2 mL) were added *N,N*-diisopropylethylamine (0.68 mL, 4.0 mmol), chloromethylmethyl ether^[4] (182 μ L, 2.4 mmol), and tetrabutylammonium iodide (15 mg, 0.04 mmol). The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature. After stirring for 4 h, saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$ solution (5 mL) was added followed by Et_2O (20 mL). After separation of the layers, the aqueous phase was extracted with Et_2O (3×20 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with 1N HCl, saturated $NaHCO_3$ and saturated NaCl solution, dried over $MgSO_4$, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash chromatography (petroleum ether/ $EtOAc$, 5:1) afforded MOM ether **45a/b** (304 mg, 98% yield) as a colorless oil. TLC (petroleum ether/ $EtOAc$, 4:1): $R_f = 0.58$; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -6.5$ (c 3.0, CH_2Cl_2); 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): data for major isomer: $\delta = 0.65$ (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 16-H), 0.76 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H, 9- CH_3), 0.99 (s, 9H, $Si(C(CH_3)_3)$), 1.03–1.55 (m, 11H, 14-H, 15-H, 6-H, 8-H, 2-H, 10-H), 1.64–1.94 (m, 6H, 12-H, 9-H, 4'-H, 2-H), 3.10 (s, 3H, $CHOCH_3$), 3.20–3.28 (m, 2H, 7-H, 11-H), 3.31 (s, 3H, CH_2OCH_3), 3.35–3.43 (m, 1H, 3-H), 3.46–3.59 (m, 2H, 1-H), 3.61–3.71 (m, 1H, 5-H), 3.73–3.81 (m, 1H, 13-H), 4.41 (s, 2H, $PhCH_2O$), 4.63 (s, 2H, CH_2OCH_3), 7.17–7.37 (m, 11H, mCH , pCH ar $SiPh_2$, Ph of Bn), 7.57–7.65 (m, 4H, oCH ar $SiPh_2$); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 14.0$ (C-16), 17.8 (C-15), 19.4 ($Si(C(CH_3)_3)$), 19.9 (9- CH_3), 25.8 (C-9), 27.1 ($Si(C(CH_3)_3)$), 36.3 (C-2), 38.7 (C-4), 38.9 (C-10), 39.3 (C-6), 41.0 (C-

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14), 42.5 (C-12), 43.3 (C-8), 55.2 (CH₂OCH₃), 55.8 (CHOCH₃), 66.8 (C-1), 70.7 (C-13), 72.3 (C-11), 72.9 (C-7), 73.1 (PhCH₂O), 73.2 (C-5), 76.1 (C-3), 94.3 (CH₂OCH₃), 127.4, 127.4, 127.5, 127.6, 128.3, 129.4, 129.4, 134.4, 134.7, 135.9, 138.5 (C of SiPh₂ and Ph of Bn); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₄₃H₆₄NaO₆Si [M+Na]⁺: 727.43644, found 727.43571.



Primary alcohol 46a/b: A Parr hydrogenation vessel was charged with benzyl ether **45a/b** (195 mg, 0.276 mmol), Pd/C (20 mg), methanol (20 mL), attached to a hydrogen source and hydrogen was introduced into the reaction vessel until the pressure gauge indicated 2 atm. The pressure was carefully released to 1 atm by opening the stop valve. This procedure was repeated three times, and finally hydrogen was pressurized to 5 atm. The reaction mixture was vigorously shaken at room temperature for 10 h during which time the hydrogen cylinder was kept connected. After the stop valve was opened, excess hydrogen was carefully bled off, and the apparatus was disassembled. The catalyst was filtered off through a pad of Celite and washed with EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) to give the alcohol **46a/b** (158 mg, 93%) as a colorless oil. TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1): *R_f* = 0.27; [α]_D²⁰ = +6.0 (*c* 2.0, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): data for major isomer: δ = 0.70 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H, 16-H), 0.82 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H, 9-CH₃), 1.04 (s, 9H, Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 1.06–1.60 (m, 11H, 14-H, 15-H, 6-H, 8-H, 2-H, 10-H), 1.65–1.80 (m, 4H, 12-H, 9-H, 2-H), 1.84–1.97 (m, 2H, 4-H), 2.58 (br s, 1H, OH), 3.14 (s, 3H, CHOCH₃), 3.26–3.40 (m, 5H, 7-H, 11-H, CH₂OCH₃), 3.46–3.55 (m, 1H, 3-H), 3.65–3.84 (m, 4H, 1-H, 5-H, 13-H), 4.69 (s, 2H, CH₂OCH₃), 7.31–7.43 (m, 6H, *m*CH, *p*CH ar SiPh₂), 7.64–7.70 (m, 4H, *o*CH ar SiPh₂); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 14.0 (C-16), 17.9 (C-15), 19.4 (Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 20.1 (9-CH₃), 25.8 (C-9), 27.1 (Si(C(CH₃)₃)), 37.9 (C-4), 38.6 (C-10), 39.0 (C-2), 39.0 (C-6), 40.8 (C-14), 42.4 (C-12), 43.0 (C-8), 55.3 (CH₂OCH₃), 55.5 (CHOCH₃), 61.3 (C-1), 70.7 (C-13), 72.9 (C-5), 73.6 (C-11), 75.7 (C-7), 75.9 (C-3), 94.4 (CH₂OCH₃), 127.4, 127.4, 129.4, 129.5, 134.4, 134.6, 135.9 (C of SiPh₂); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₆H₅₈NaO₆Si [M+Na]⁺: 637.38949, found 637.38926.



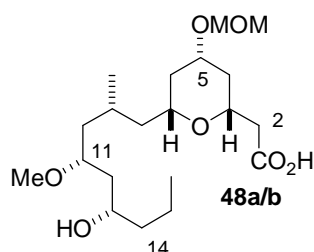
Acid 47a/b: a) Preparation of aldehyde: To a cooled (0 °C) solution of alcohol **46a/b** (155 mg, 0.25 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (3 mL) was added a solution of Dess-Martin periodinane^[5] (15% wt, 0.83 mL, 0.4 mmol). After stirring for 0.5 h at 0 °C and for 2 h at room temperature, the reaction mixture was concentrated, loaded on a flash silica gel column, and eluted with petroleum ether/EtOAc, 4:1 to give 147 mg (96%) of the corresponding aldehyde, which was used directly in the next reaction. TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 4:1): *R_f* = 0.76.

b) Preparation of acid 47a/b: The aldehyde obtained in the previous step (147 mg, 0.24 mmol) was dissolved in *t*BuOH (4 mL) and 2,3-dimethyl-2-butene (0.8 mL).^[6] A solution of NaClO₂ (65

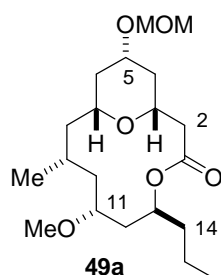
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mg, 0.72 mmol) and $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (336 mg, 2.16 mmol) in water (3 mL) was added slowly at 0 °C. After stirring for 30 min at room temperature the mixture was diluted with water (5 mL), extracted with EtOAc (4 × 20 mL), washed with saturated NaCl solution, dried (Na_2SO_4), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash chromatography of the residue (petroleum ether/EtOAc/HOAc, 2:1:0.01? 1:1:0.01) provided acid **47a/b** (151 mg, 98% yield) as a colorless oil. TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1): $R_f = 0.54$; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -2.3$ (c 1.3, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): data for major isomer: $\delta = 0.70$ (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 16-H), 0.80 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H, 9- CH_3), 1.04 (s, 9H, $\text{Si}(\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3)$), 1.06–1.60 (m, 12H, 14-H, 15-H, 6-H, 8-H, 9-H, 10-H), 1.69–1.81 (m, 2H, 12-H), 1.85–1.93 (m, 1H, 4-H), 2.01–2.08 (m, 1H, 4-H), 2.42–2.62 (m, 2H, CH_2COOH), 3.15 (s, 3H, CHOCH_3), 3.26–3.43 (m, 5H, 7-H, 11-H, CH_2OCH_3), 3.66–3.84 (m, 3H, 3-H, 5-H, 13-H), 4.69 (s, 2H, CH_2OCH_3), 7.31–7.43 (m, 6H, $m\text{CH}$, $p\text{CH}$ ar SiPh_2), 7.65–7.70 (m, 4H, $o\text{CH}$ ar SiPh_2); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 14.0$ (C-16), 17.9 (C-15), 19.4 ($\text{Si}(\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3)$), 20.1 (9- CH_3), 25.7 (C-9), 27.1 ($\text{Si}(\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3)$), 37.9 (C-4), 38.9 (C-10), 39.0 (C-6), 40.8 (C-14), 40.9 (CH_2COOH), 42.3 (C-12), 42.9 (C-8), 55.3 (CH_2OCH_3), 55.7 (CHOCH_3), 70.7 (C-13), 71.9 (C-5), 72.7 (C-3), 73.7 (C-7), 76.0 (C-11), 94.5 (CH_2OCH_3), 127.4, 127.5, 129.4, 129.5, 134.4, 134.6, 135.9 (C of SiPh_2), 174.5 (COOH); HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{36}\text{H}_{56}\text{NaO}_7\text{Si}$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 651.36875, found 651.36884.

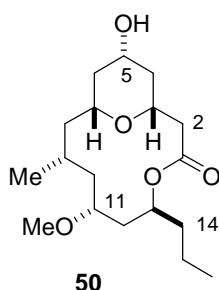


Seco-acid 48a/b: To a solution of acid **47** (149 mg, 0.237 mmol) in THF (1 mL) was added TBAF·3H₂O (450 mg, 1.44 mmol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 48 h. After addition of saturated NH₄Cl solution the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 25 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water (10 ml), saturated NaCl solution (20 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc/HOAc, 1:1:0.01? 0:1:0.01) afforded seco-acid **48a/b** (92 mg, 99% yield) as a colorless oil. TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc/HOAc, 2:1:0.01): $R_f = 0.2$; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -18.8$ (c 1.2, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 0.84$ –0.94 (m, 6H, 16-H, 9- CH_3), 1.12–1.75 (m, 14H, 14-H, 15-H, 6-H, 8-H, 9-H, 10-H, 12-H), 1.86–1.94 (m, 1H, 4-H), 2.00–2.07 (m, 1H, 4-H), 2.42–2.60 (m, 2H, CH_2COOH), 3.31–3.47 (m, 8H, CHOCH_3 , 7-H, 11-H, CH_2OCH_3), 3.68–3.83 (m, 3H, 3-H, 5-H, 13-H), 4.67 (s, 2H, CH_2OCH_3), 6.42 (br s, 2H, OH, COOH); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 14.1$ (C-16), 18.6 (C-15), 19.6 (9- CH_3), 26.3 (C-9), 38.0 (C-4), 38.8 (C-10), 39.7 (C-6), 40.8 (C-14), 40.9 (CH_2COOH), 41.3 (C-12), 43.8 (C-8), 55.3 (CH_2OCH_3), 56.1 (CHOCH_3), 71.4 (C-5), 72.1 (C-13), 72.7 (C-11), 74.0 (C-7), 80.5 (C-3), 94.5 (CH_2OCH_3), 174.4 (COOH); HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{38}\text{NaO}_7$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 413.25097, found 413.25110.

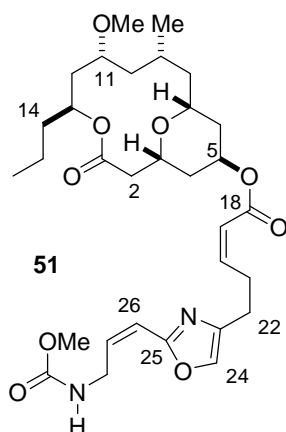


Macrolactone 49a (11-*epi*): To an ice-cooled solution of seco-acid **48a/b** (85 mg, 0.21 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (2.5 mL) was added Et₃N (177 μL , 1.26 mmol, 6.0 equiv) followed by 2,4,6-trichlorobenzoyl chloride (164 μL , 1.05 mmol, 5.0 equiv). The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 1 h and then allowed to warm to room temperature, whereupon toluene (7.5 mL) was added. This

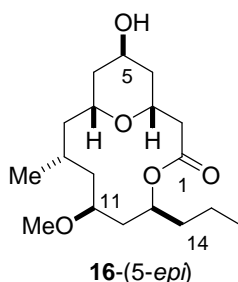
solution was added over 8 h by syringe pump to a solution of DMAP (51 mg, 4.2 mmol, 20 equiv) in toluene (150 mL). Upon completion of the addition, stirring was maintained for an additional 2 h. The mixture was concentrated to dryness and filtered over silica gel (using petroleum ether/EtOAc 2:1 as eluant). The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 4:1) afforded lactone **49a** (69 mg, 85% yield) as a colorless oil and its 5-*epi* isomer **49b** (7.0 mg, 9% yield). TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1): $R_f = 0.33$; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +10.8$ (c 1.2, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (600 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 0.84\text{--}0.90$ (m, 6H, 15- CH_3 , 9- CH_3), 1.07 (t, $J = 11.7$ Hz, 1H, 6-H), 1.14–1.50 (m, 8H, 6-H, 10-H, 12-H, 8-H, 14-H, 15-H), 1.56–1.64 (m, 1H, 14-H), 1.77–1.89 (m, 3H, 4-H, 8-H, 9-H), 1.96–2.01 (m, 1H, 4-H), 2.01–2.07 (m, 1H, 12-H), 2.31–2.38 (m, 1H, 2-H), 2.58–2.63 (m, 1H, 2-H), 3.18–3.25 (m, 1H, 7-H), 3.28–3.36 (m, 7H, 11-H, CHOCH_3 , CH_2OCH_3), 3.63–3.73 (m, 2H, 3-H, 5-H), 4.65 (s, 2H, CH_2OCH_3), 4.86–4.94 (m, 1H, 13-H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 14.0$ (C-16), 18.4 (C-15), 24.6 (9- CH_3), 28.9 (C-9), 37.2 (C-4), 37.9 (C-14), 38.1 (C-6), 39.3 (C-12), 40.2 (C-10), 42.6 (C-2), 44.2 (C-8), 55.2 (CH_2OCH_3), 56.1 (CHOCH_3), 71.3 (C-13), 71.5 (C-5), 72.7 (C-3), 76.7 (C-11), 77.0 (C-7), 94.4 (CH_2OCH_3), 170.2 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{36}\text{NaO}_6$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 395.24041, found 395.24036.



Hydroxylactone 50: To a cooled (0 °C) solution of MOM-ether **49a** (57.4 mg, 0.154 mmol) in MeOH (3 mL) was added concentrated HCl (100 μL). After stirring for 0.5 h at 0 °C and for 24 h at room temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 solution (5 mL), extracted with EtOAc (4 \times 20 mL), washed with brine, dried (MgSO_4), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash chromatography of the residue (petroleum ether/EtOAc/HOAc, 2:1? 1:1) provided alcohol **50** (48.6 mg, 96% yield) as a colorless oil. TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1): $R_f = 0.24$; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +9.1$ (c 0.8, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (600 MHz, CD_3OD): $\delta = 0.82\text{--}0.89$ (m, 6H, 15- CH_3 , 9- CH_3), 0.94–1.14 (m, 3H, 6-H, 8-H), 1.17–1.33 (m, 3H, 10-H, 9-H), 1.36–1.61 (m, 4H, 12-H, 14-H, 15-H), 1.69–1.86 (m, 3H, 14-H, 8-H, 4-H), 1.86–1.95 (m, 1H, 4H), 1.97–2.07 (m, 1H, 12-H), 2.16–2.24 (m, 1H, 2-H), 2.64–2.71 (m, 1H, 2-H), 3.23–3.35 (m, 5H, 7-H, 11-H, CHOCH_3), 3.61–3.72 (m, 2H, 3-H, 5-H), 4.83–4.93 (m, 1H, 13-H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (150 MHz, CD_3OD): $\delta = 14.4$ (C-16), 19.5 (C-15), 24.9 (9- CH_3), 30.5 (C-9), 38.1 (C-4), 39.1 (C-14), 41.3 (C-6), 41.6 (C-12), 42.9 (C-2), 43.5 (C-10), 45.4 (C-8), 56.5 (CHOCH_3), 68.4 (C-5), 72.3 (C-13), 72.9 (C-3), 78.2 (C-11), 78.5 (C-7), 172.5 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{32}\text{NaO}_5$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 351.21420, found 351.21413.

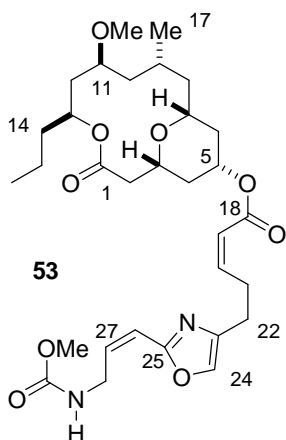


11-*epi*-neopeltolide (51): To a solution of alcohol **50** (7.6 mg, 0.023 mmol, 1 equiv), acid **23** (10.3 mg, 0.037 mmol, 1.6 equiv) and PPh₃ (10.5 mg, 0.040 mmol, 1.74 equiv) in absolute benzene (1 mL) was added diisopropyl azodicarboxylate (80 μ L of a 0.5M solution in benzene, 0.040 mmol, 1.74 equiv). After stirring for 1 h at ambient temperature the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 2:1? 1:1? 1:2) to afford 11-*epi*-neopeltolide (**51**) (11.7 mg, 86%) as a colorless oil. TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1): R_f = 0.5; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = +19.4 (c 0.8, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD): δ = 0.88 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, 9-CH₃), 0.92 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H, 16-H), 1.02–1.10 (m, 1H, 10-H), 1.20–1.42 (m, 5H, 8-H, 9-H, 15-H), 1.43–1.70 (m, 7H, 10-H, 4-H, 6-H, 14-H), 1.75–1.93 (m, 3H, 4-H, 14-H, 12-H), 2.06 (ddd, J = 14.1, 10.9, 3.0 Hz, 1H, 12-H), 2.21 (dd, J = 14.4, 11.1 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 2.66–2.73 (m, 3H, 2-H, 22-H), 2.96–3.04 (m, 2H, 21-H), 3.32–3.40 (m, 4H, 11-OCH₃, 7-H), 3.64 (s, 3H, 29-OCH₃), 3.75 (apt, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H, 11-H), 3.98–4.08 (m, 1H, 3-H), 4.29 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 2H, 28-H), 4.90–4.98 (m, 1H, 13-H), 5.17–5.21 (m, 1H, 5-H), 5.85 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H, 19-H), 5.98–6.07 (m, 1H, 27-H), 6.27 (dt, J = 11.9, 2.0 Hz, 1H, 26-H), 6.36 (dt, J = 11.5, 7.6 Hz, 1H, 20-H), 7.65 (s, 1H, 24-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD): δ = 14.3 (C-16), 19.5 (C-15), 24.8 (C-17), 26.4 (C-22), 29.0 (C-21), 30.5 (C-9), 36.2 (C-4), 37.3 (C-6), 38.1 (C-14), 39.1 (C-10), 41.2 (C-12), 43.5 (C-2), 45.1 (C-8), 52.6 (29-OCH₃), 56.4 (11-OCH₃), 69.2 (C-5), 70.4 (C-3), 72.4 (C-13), 75.1 (C-7), 78.5 (C-11), 115.9 (C-26), 121.6 (C-19), 135.9 (C-24), 139.2 (C-27), 142.3 (C-23), 150.1 (C-20), 159.6 (C-29), 161.9 (C-25), 166.8 (C-18), 172.6 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₁H₄₆NaN₂O₉ [M+Na]⁺: 613.30955, found 613.30863.

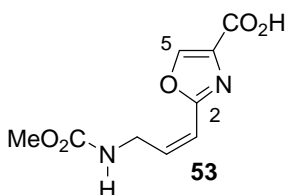


Deprotected macrolactone 16b (5-*epi*): To a cooled (0 °C) solution of MOM-ether **15b (5-*epi*)** (6.8 mg, 0.018 mmol) in MeOH (2 mL) was added concentrated HCl (70 μ L). After stirring for 0.5 h at 0 °C and for 24 h at room temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL), extracted with EtOAc (4 \times 10 mL), washed with saturated NaCl solution, dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash chromatography of the residue (petroleum ether/EtOAc/HOAc, 2:1? 1:1) provided alcohol **16b (5-*epi*)** (5.2 mg, 88% yield) as a colorless oil. TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1): R_f = 0.31; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = +7.2 (c 0.5, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.87–0.94 (m, 6H, 15-CH₃, 9-CH₃), 1.11–1.22 (m, 3H, 6-H, 8-H), 1.23–1.44 (m, 6H, 10-H, 12-H, 8-H, 9-H), 1.45–1.80 (m, 6H, 10-H, 12-H, 14-H, 15-H, OH), 1.84–1.92 (m, 1H, 14-H), 1.92–2.02 (m, 2H, 4-H), 2.36 (dd, J = 12.1, 2.0 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 2.47 (dd, J = 12.1 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 3.00–3.07 (m, 1H, 11-H), 3.30 (s, 3H, CHOCH₃), 3.35–3.44 (m, 1H, 7-H), 3.55 (apt, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 3.78–3.89 (m, 1H, 5-H), 5.04–5.12 (m, 1H, 13-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz,

CDCl₃): δ = 13.9 (C-16), 18.9 (C-15), 24.3 (9-CH₃), 24.4 (C-9), 36.9 (C-4), 39.3 (C-14), 39.7 (C-6), 40.8 (C-12), 42.0 (C-2), 42.4 (C-10), 45.1 (C-8), 56.9 (CHOCH₃), 67.9 (C-5), 72.8 (C-13), 74.1 (C-3), 74.8 (C-11), 76.9 (C-7), 172.7 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₈H₃₂NaO₅ [M+Na]⁺: 351.21420, found 351.21429.

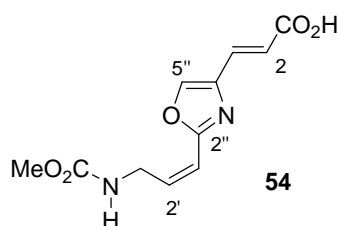


5-*epi*-neopeltolide (52): To a solution of alcohol **16b** (*5-epi*) (4.0 mg, 0.012 mmol, 1 equiv), acid **23** (5.4 mg, 0.019 mmol, 1.6 equiv) and PPh₃ (5.5 mg, 0.021 mmol, 1.75 equiv) in absolute benzene (0.7 mL) was added diisopropyl azodicarboxylate (42 μ L of 0.5M solution in benzene, 0.021 mmol, 1.75 equiv). After stirring for 1 h at ambient temperature the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 2:1? 1:1? 1:2) to afford 5-*epi*-neopeltolide (**52**) (5.4 mg, 76%) as a colorless oil. TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1): R_f = 0.57; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = -3.3 (c 0.4, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD): δ = 0.90–0.96 (m, 6H, 16-H, 9-CH₃), 1.11 (apt, J = 12.1 Hz, 1H, 10-H), 1.24–1.42 (m, 6H, 8-H, 9-H, 12-H, 15-H), 1.44–1.57 (m, 3H, 10-H, 4-H, 14-H), 1.57–1.93 (m, 8H, 6-H, 14-H, 4-H, 12-H), 2.28–2.37 (m, 2H, 2-H), 2.69 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H, 22-H), 2.94–3.02 (m, 2H, 21-H), 3.12–3.20 (m, 1H, 11-H), 3.64 (s, 3H, 29-OCH₃), 3.71–3.81 (m, 1H, 7-H), 3.89–4.01 (m, 1H, 3-H), 4.29 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 2H, 28-H), 4.95–5.03 (m, 1H, 13-H), 5.19–5.23 (m, 1H, 5-H), 5.82 (d, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H, 19-H), 5.99–6.07 (m, 1H, 27-H), 6.27 (dt, J = 11.9, 2.0 Hz, 1H, 26-H), 6.34 (dt, J = 11.6, 7.3 Hz, 1H, 20-H), 7.65 (s, 1H, 24-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD): δ = 14.2 (C-16), 20.0 (C-15), 24.6 (C-17), 25.4 (C-9), 26.4 (C-22), 29.0 (C-21), 36.5 (C-4), 37.5 (C-6), 37.9 (C-14), 40.4 (C-12), 40.6, (C-10), 43.2 (C-2), 46.4 (C-8), 52.6 (29-OCH₃), 57.2 (11-OCH₃), 69.0 (C-5), 71.2 (C-3), 73.4 (C-13), 75.4 (C-7), 78.3 (C-11), 116.0 (C-26), 121.5 (C-19), 136.0 (C-24), 139.1 (C-27), 142.2 (C-23), 150.2 (C-20), 161.9 (C-29), 166.8 (C-18), 174.8 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₁H₄₆NaN₂O₉ [M+H]⁺: 591.32761, found 591.32815.

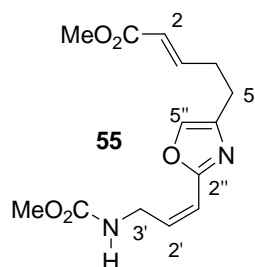


2-((1Z)-3-((Methoxycarbonyl)amino)prop-1-enyl)-1,3-oxazole-4-carboxylic acid (53): A solution of ester **28** (21 mg, 0.08 mmol) in MeOH (1 mL) was treated with LiOH (1N solution in water, 0.8 mL, 0.8 mmol) at ambient temperature and the reaction mixture was stirred until TLC indicated complete consumption of the starting material (ca. 2 h). The reaction was cooled to 0 °C and neutralized with aqueous HCl (1N, 0.8 mL, 0.8 mmol). After the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (4 \times 20 mL), the combined organic layers were washed with saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo to afford acid **53** (18 mg, 94%) as a slightly yellow solid; m.p. 153–155 °C. TLC (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 9:1): R_f = 0.2; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD): δ = 3.64 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.32 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H, CH₂NH), 6.12–6.22 (m, 1H, HC=CHCH₂), 6.34 (d, J = 11.9 Hz, 1H, HC=CHCH₂), 8.47 (s, 1H, 5-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD): δ = 40.9 (CH₂NH), 52.6 (OCH₃), 115.3 (HC=CHCH₂), 135.5 (C-4), 141.6 (HC=CHCH₂),

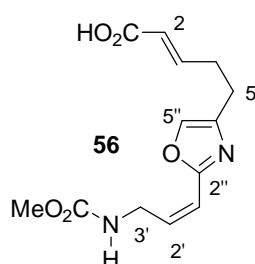
145.4 (C-5), 159.6 (CO₂CH₃), 162.4 (C-2), 164.0 (CO₂H); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₉H₁₀NaN₂O₅ [M+Na]⁺: 249.04819, found 249.04838.



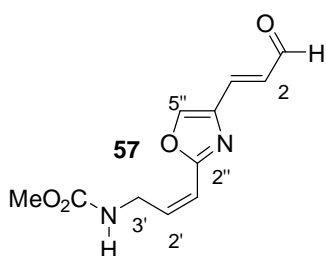
(2E)-3-(2-((1Z)-3-[(Methoxycarbonyl)amino]prop-1-enyl)-1,3-oxazol-4-yl)acrylic acid (54): A solution of ester **31** (16.0 mg, 0.06 mmol) in THF (0.6 mL) was treated with LiOH (1N solution in water, 0.6 mL, 0.6 mmol) at ambient temperature and the reaction mixture was vigorously stirred until TLC indicated complete consumption of the starting material (ca. 7 h). The reaction was cooled to 0 °C and neutralized with aqueous HCl (1N, 0.6 mL, 0.6 mmol). After the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (4 × 15 mL), the combined organic layers were washed with saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 95:5? 9:1) afforded acid **54** (14.4 mg, 92% yield) as a colorless solid; m.p. 134–136 °C. TLC (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 9:1): *R*_f = 0.30; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD): δ = 3.65 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.36 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 2H, 3'-H), 6.10–6.18 (m, 1H, 2'-H), 6.32 (dt, *J* = 11.9, 2.0 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 6.56 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 7.52 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 8.10 (s, 1H, 5''-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD): δ = 41.1 (C-3'), 52.6 (OCH₃), 115.4 (C-1'), 121.4 (C-2), 133.9 (C-5''), 139.4 (C-4''), 140.9 (C-3), 141.2 (C-2'), 159.7 (CO₂CH₃), 162.5 (C-2''), 170.0 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₁H₁₂NaN₂O₅ [M+Na]⁺: 275.06384, found 275.06377.



Methyl (2E)-5-(2-((1Z)-3-[(methoxycarbonyl)amino]prop-1-enyl)-1,3-oxazol-4-yl)pent-2-enoate (55): To a solution of aldehyde **22** (7 mg, 0.029 mmol, 1 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) at ambient temperature was added (methoxycarbonylmethylene)triphenylphosphorane^[1] (19.4 mg, 0.058 mmol, 2 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h, concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 98:2) to afford unsaturated ester **55** (7.9 mg, 93%) as a colorless oil. TLC (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 9:1): *R*_f = 0.57; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 2.57 (q, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H, 4-H), 2.70 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H, 5-H), 3.67 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.71 (s, 3H, CCO₂CH₃), 4.30 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 2H, 3'-H), 5.52 (br s, 1H, NH), 5.86 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 6.05–6.14 (m, 1H, 2'-H), 6.29 (d, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 6.97 (dt, *J* = 15.7, 6.8 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.35 (s, 1H, 5''-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 24.8 (C-5), 30.7 (C-4), 39.4 (C-3'), 51.5 (OCH₃), 52.2 (OCH₃), 116.6 (C-1'), 121.8 (C-2), 133.9 (C-5''), 136.5 (C-4''), 140.6 (C-2'), 147.8 (C-5''), 157.2 (CO₂CH₃), 160.1 (C-2''), 166.9 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₄H₁₈NaN₂O₅ [M+Na]⁺: 317.11079, found 317.11064.

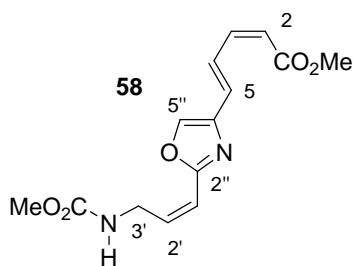


(2E)-5-(2-((1Z)-3-((Methoxycarbonyl)amino)prop-1-enyl)-1,3-oxazol-4-yl)pent-2-enoic acid (56): A solution of ester **55** (6.5 mg, 0.022 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL) was treated with LiOH (1N solution in water, 0.22 mL, 0.22 mmol) at ambient temperature and the reaction mixture was vigorously stirred until TLC indicated complete consumption of the starting material (ca. 6 h). The reaction was cooled to 0 °C and neutralized with aqueous HCl (1N, 0.22 mL, 0.22 mmol). After the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (4 × 10 mL), the combined organic layers were washed with saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 95:5? 9:1) afforded acid **56** (5.7 mg, 92% yield) as a white solid; m.p. 108–110 °C. TLC (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 9:1): *R*_f = 0.38; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 2.60 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H, 4-H), 2.72 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H, 5-H), 3.67 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.26–4.34 (m, 2H, 3'-H), 5.51 (br s, 1H, NH), 5.87 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 6.05–6.14 (m, 1H, 2'-H), 6.29 (d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 7.08 (dt, *J* = 15.5, 6.8 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.36 (s, 1H, 5''-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 24.6 (C-5), 30.9 (C-4), 39.4 (C-3'), 52.2 (OCH₃), 116.5 (C-1'), 121.4 (C-2), 133.9 (C-5''), 136.5 (C-4''), 140.5 (C-2'), 150.1 (C-5'), 157.2 (CO₂CH₃), 160.1 (C-2''), 170.4 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₄H₁₈NaN₂O₅ [M+Na]⁺: 303.09514, found 303.09516.

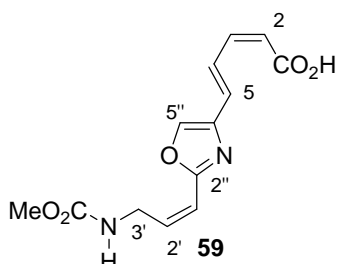


Methyl (2Z)-3-{4-[(1E)-3-oxoprop-1-enyl]-1,3-oxazol-2-yl}prop-2-enylcarbamate (57): **a) Reduction to the allyl alcohol:** To a solution of ester **31** (46 mg, 0.17 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (3 mL), at –80 °C, was added dropwise DIBAL-H (1M in hexanes, 0.43 mL, 0.43 mmol, 2.5 equiv). The reaction was stirred at –80 °C for 1 h, quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl solution and warmed up to room temperature. It was then treated with saturated potassium and sodium tartrate (Rochelle salt)/EtOAc (20:20 mL) and the mixture was vigorously stirred for 10 min. After the layers were separated, the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with saturated NaCl solution, dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography of the residue (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 97:3? 95:5) afforded the corresponding alcohol (37.2 mg, 92% yield) which was subjected to Dess-Martin periodinane oxidation. TLC (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 9:1): *R*_f = 0.38.

b) Preparation of aldehyde 57: To a cooled (0 °C) solution of alcohol obtained in the previous step (37.2 mg, 0.16 mmol) in a mixture of CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) and CH₃CN (0.8 mL) was added a solution of Dess-Martin periodinane (15% wt, 0.66 mL, 0.32 mmol), followed by addition of pyridine (26 μL, 0.32 mmol). After stirring for 10 min at 0 °C and for 1.5 h at room temperature, the reaction mixture was concentrated, loaded on a flash silica gel column, and eluted with petroleum ether/EtOAc, 4:1 to give 34 mg (93%) of aldehyde **57**, which was used directly in the next reaction. TLC (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 9:1): *R*_f = 0.47; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 3.67 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.37 (dd, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 2H, 3'-H), 5.45 (br s, 1H, NH), 6.18–6.27 (m, 1H, 2'-H), 6.32 (d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 6.86 (dd, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 8.0 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.85 (s, 1H, 5''-H), 9.68 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H, CHO); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 39.6 (C-3'), 52.2 (OCH₃), 115.4 (C-1'), 125.9 (C-2), 130.3 (C-5''), 135.1 (C-4''), 139.1 (C-3), 139.3 (C-2'), 157.1 (CO₂CH₃), 161.0 (C-2''), 193.0 (C-1).

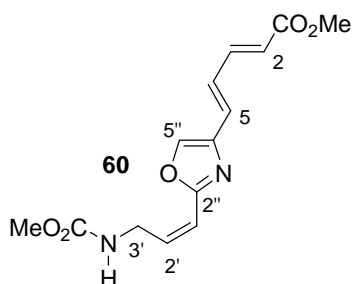


Methyl (2Z,4E)-5-(2-((1Z)-3-[(methoxycarbonyl)amino]prop-1-enyl)-1,3-oxazol-4-yl)penta-2,4-dienoate (58): A solution of 18-crown-6, freshly recrystallized from acetonitrile, (100 mg, 0.38 mmol, 6 equiv) and bis(2,2,2-trifluoroethyl)(methoxycarbonylmethyl) phosphonate^[7] (**34**) (32 μ L, 0.15 mmol, 2.4 equiv) in THF (2.0 mL) was cooled to -80 $^{\circ}$ C, and treated with KHMDS (0.5M solution in toluene, 260 μ L, 0.13 mmol, 2.2 equiv). After 1 h, a solution of aldehyde **57** (15 mg, 0.063 mmol, 1 equiv) in THF (0.5 mL) was added over a period of 5 min. After 1 h, TLC indicated complete consumption of aldehyde. Now the reaction was quenched with saturated NH_4Cl and warmed to room temperature. After the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3×15 mL), the combined organic layers were washed with saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried over MgSO_4 , filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography ($\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}$, 98:2) afforded ester **58** (12.6 mg, 68% yield) as a colorless oil. TLC ($\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}$, 9:1): $R_f = 0.65$; ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 3.68$ (s, 3H, 4'- OCH_3), 3.75 (s, 3H, 1- OCH_3), 4.37 (dd, $J = 5.9$ Hz, 2H, 3'-H), 5.55 (br s, 1H, NH), 5.74 (d, $J = 11.1$ Hz, 1H, 2-H), 6.14–6.23 (m, 1H, 2'-H), 6.30 (d, $J = 11.9$ Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 6.61–6.72 (m, 2H, 3-H, 5-H), 7.67 (s, 1H, 5''-H), 8.13 (dd, $J = 15.4, 11.9$ Hz, 1H, 4-H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 39.4$ (C-3'), 51.3 (1- OCH_3), 52.2 (4'- OCH_3), 116.1 (C-1'), 118.2 (C-5), 127.0 (C-2), 128.5 (C-4), 136.4 (C-5''), 138.1 (C-4''), 139.7 (C-2'), 143.7 (C-3), 157.2 (C-4'), 160.4 (C-2''), 166.7 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{16}\text{NaN}_2\text{O}_5$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 315.09514, found 315.09542.

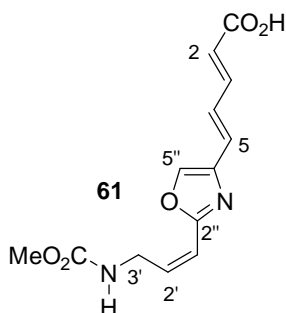


(2Z,4E)-5-(2-((1Z)-3-[(Methoxycarbonyl)amino]prop-1-enyl)-1,3-oxazol-4-yl)penta-2,4-dienoic acid (59): A solution of ester **58** (11.2 mg, 0.038 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL) was treated with LiOH (1N solution in water, 0.5 mL, 0.5 mmol) at ambient temperature and the reaction mixture was vigorously stirred until TLC indicated complete consumption of the starting material (ca. 8 h). The reaction was cooled to 0 $^{\circ}$ C and neutralized with aqueous HCl (1N, 0.5 mL, 0.5 mmol). After the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (4×15 mL), the combined organic layers were washed with saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried over MgSO_4 , filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography ($\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}$, 95:5? 9:1) afforded acid **59** (9.8 mg, 93% yield) as a colorless solid; m.p. 158 – 160 $^{\circ}$ C. $R_f = 0.47$ ($\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH}$, 9:1); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CD_3OD): $\delta = 3.64$ (s, 3H, 4'- OCH_3), 4.36 (d, $J = 5.8$ Hz, 2H, 3'-H), 5.72 (d, $J = 11.4$ Hz, 1H, 2-H), 6.06–6.14 (m, 1H, 2'-H), 6.30 (d, $J = 11.9$ Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 6.72–6.80 (m, 2H, 3-H, 5-H), 7.95 (s, 1H, 5''-H), 8.13 (dd, $J = 15.4, 11.9$ Hz, 1H, 4-H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CD_3OD): $\delta = 41.1$ (C-3'), 52.6 (4'- OCH_3), 115.6 (C-1'), 119.9 (C-5), 128.1 (C-2), 129.3 (C-4), 138.9 (C-5''), 140.6 (C-2'), 141.0 (C-4''), 144.9 (C-3), 159.7 (C-4'), 162.3 (C-2''), 170.0 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{14}\text{NaN}_2\text{O}_5$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 301.07949, found 301.07988.

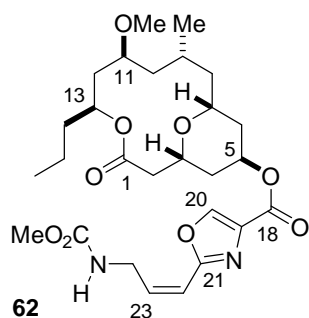
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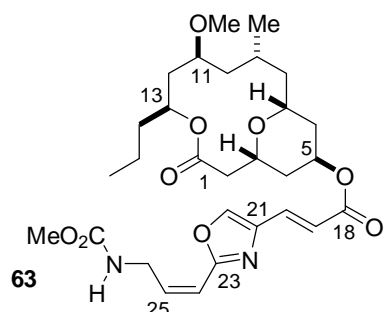
Methyl (2E,4E)-5-(2-((1Z)-3-((methoxycarbonyl)amino)prop-1-enyl)-1,3-oxazol-4-yl)penta-2,4-dienoate (60): To a solution of aldehyde **57** (14.2 mg, 0.06 mmol, 1 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) at ambient temperature was added (methoxycarbonylmethylene)triphenylphosphorane^[1] (40.0 mg, 0.12 mmol, 2 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 h, concentrated in vacuo and purified by flash chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 98:2) to afford unsaturated ester **60** (15.2 mg, 87%) as a colorless solid; m.p. 132–134 °C. *R*_f = 0.67 (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 9:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 3.68 (s, 3H, 4'-OCH₃), 3.75 (s, 3H, 1-OCH₃), 4.35–4.42 (m, 2H, 3'-H), 5.47 (br s, 1H, NH), 6.02 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 6.12–6.20 (m, 1H, 2'-H), 6.30 (d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 7.04 (dd, *J* = 15.2, 11.6 Hz, 1H, 4-H), 7.38 (dd, *J* = 15.2, 11.5 Hz, 1H, 3-H) 7.62 (s, 1H, 5''-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 39.6 (C-3'), 51.6 (1-OCH₃), 52.2 (4'-OCH₃), 115.9 (C-1'), 121.8 (C-5), 127.3 (C-4), 128.3 (C-2), 136.6 (C-5''), 138.3 (C-4''), 139.4 (C-2'), 143.9 (C-3), 157.2 (C-4'), 160.5 (C-2''), 167.4 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₄H₁₆NaN₂O₅ [M+Na]⁺: 315.09514, found 315.09519.



(2E,4E)-5-(2-((1Z)-3-((Methoxycarbonyl)amino)prop-1-enyl)-1,3-oxazol-4-yl)penta-2,4-dienoic acid (61): A solution of ester **60** (12.1 mg, 0.04 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL) was treated with LiOH (1N solution in water, 0.5 mL, 0.5 mmol) at ambient temperature and the reaction mixture was vigorously stirred until TLC indicated complete consumption of the starting material (ca. 7 h). The reaction was cooled to 0 °C and neutralized with aqueous HCl (1N, 0.5 mL, 0.5 mmol). After the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (4 × 15 mL), the combined organic layers were washed with saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 95:5? 9:1) afforded acid **61** (10.2 mg, 92% yield) as a colorless solid; m.p. 177–179 °C. *R*_f = 0.51 (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 9:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD): δ = 3.65 (s, 3H, 4'-OCH₃), 4.37 (d, *J* = 5.3 Hz, 2H, 3'-H), 6.01 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 6.07–6.15 (m, 1H, 2'-H), 6.31 (d, *J* = 11.9 Hz, 1H, 1'-H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 7.08 (dd, *J* = 15.2, 11.4 Hz, 1H, 4-H), 7.40 (dd, *J* = 15.0, 11.2 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.96 (s, 1H, 5''-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD): δ = 41.1 (C-3'), 52.6 (4'-OCH₃), 115.5 (C-1'), 123.3 (C-5), 129.0 (C-4), 129.3 (C-2), 139.0 (C-5''), 140.7 (C-2'), 145.7 (C-3), 159.7 (C-4'), 162.3 (C-2''), 170.4 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₃H₁₄NaN₂O₅ [M+Na]⁺: 279.09755, found 279.09812.

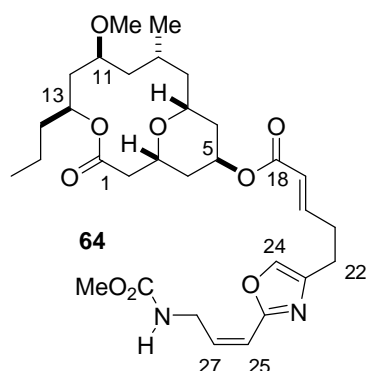


Neo-oxazole 62: To a solution of alcohol **16** (5.3 mg, 0.016 mmol, 1 equiv), acid **53** (7.7 mg, 0.032 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and PPh_3 (9.2 mg, 0.035 mmol, 2.2 equiv) in a mixture of absolute benzene (0.8 mL) and THF (1.5 mL), was added diisopropyl azodicarboxylate (70 μL , 0.5M solution in benzene, 0.035 mmol, 2.2 equiv). After stirring for 1 h at ambient temperature the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 2:1? 1.5:1? 1:1) to afford neopeltolide analogue **62** (7.5 mg, 88%) as a colorless oil. $R_f = 0.58$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1); $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +28.8$ (c 0.7, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CD_3OD): $\delta = 0.93$ (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 16-H), 0.99 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H, 17-H), 1.08–1.16 (m, 1H, 10-H), 1.22–1.44 (m, 6H, 8-H, 9-H, 12-H, 15-H), 1.45–1.64 (m, 4H, 10-H, 4-H, 6-H, 14-H), 1.65–1.83 (m, 2H, 6-H, 14-H), 1.86–1.97 (m, 2H, 4-H, 12-H), 2.31 (dd, $J = 14.8, 11.0$ Hz, 1H, 2-H), 2.73 (dd, $J = 14.7, 4.3$ Hz, 1H, 2-H), 3.28 (s, 3H, 11-OCH₃), 3.59–3.75 (m, 5H, 7-H, 29-OCH₃, 11-H), 4.15–4.24 (m, 1H, 3-H), 4.34 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 2H, 24-H), 5.14–5.22 (m, 1H, 13-H), 5.36–5.41 (m, 1H, 5-H), 6.15–6.23 (m, 1H, 23-H), 6.37 (dt, $J = 11.9, 2.0$ Hz, 1H, 22-H), 8.62 (s, 1H, 20-H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CD_3OD): $\delta = 14.1$ (C-16), 20.0 (C-15), 26.0 (C-17), 32.5 (C-9), 36.2 (C-4), 37.4 (C-6), 37.9 (C-14), 41.1 (C-12), 43.2 (C-2), 43.6 (C-10), 45.3 (C-8), 52.6 (25-OCH₃), 56.4 (11-OCH₃), 70.7 (C-5), 71.2 (C-3), 73.9 (C-13), 76.9 (C-7), 77.1 (C-11), 115.2 (C-22), 135.2 (C-20), 141.9 (C-23), 145.8 (C-19), 159.6 (C-25), 161.8 (C-21), 162.5 (C-18), 173.1 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{40}\text{NaN}_2\text{O}_9$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: 559.26260, found 559.26265.

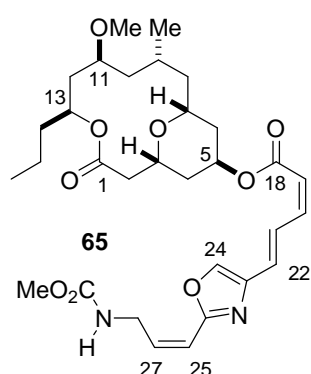


Neo-enoate 63: To a solution of alcohol **16** (4.1 mg, 0.0125 mmol, 1 equiv), acid **54** (5.6 mg, 0.02 mmol, 1.6 equiv) and PPh_3 (5.8 mg, 0.022 mmol, 1.76 equiv) in absolute benzene (0.7 mL) was added diisopropyl azodicarboxylate (44 μL , 0.5M solution in benzene, 0.022 mmol, 1.76 equiv). After stirring for 1 h at ambient temperature the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 2:1? 1:1? 1:2) to afford neopeltolide analogue **63** (5.6 mg, 76%) as a colorless oil. $R_f = 0.57$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1); $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +20.5$ (c 0.4, CH_2Cl_2); $^1\text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CD_3OD): $\delta = 0.93$ (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 16-H), 0.99 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H, 17-H), 1.07–1.14 (m, 1H, 10-H), 1.21–1.42 (m, 6H, 8-H, 9-H, 12-H, 15-H), 1.44–1.61 (m, 4H, 10-H, 4-H, 6-H, 14-H), 1.67–1.79 (m, 2H, 6-H, 14-H), 1.84–1.95 (m, 2H, 4-H, 12-H), 2.31 (dd, $J = 14.7, 10.9$ Hz, 1H, 2-H), 2.72 (dd, $J = 14.7, 4.3$ Hz, 1H, 2-H), 3.28 (s, 3H, 11-OCH₃), 3.62–3.74 (m, 5H, 7-H, 27-OCH₃, 11-H), 4.10–4.19 (m, 1H, 3-H), 4.38 (d, $J = 4.6$ Hz, 2H, 26-H), 5.14–5.22 (m, 1H, 13-H), 5.23–5.28 (m, 1H, 5-H), 6.11–6.19 (m, 1H, 25-H), 6.34 (dt, $J = 11.9, 2.0$ Hz, 1H, 24-H), 6.65 (d, $J = 15.7$ Hz, 1H, 19-H), 7.59 (d, $J = 15.4$ Hz, 1H, 20-H), 8.15 (s, 1H, 22-H); $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (100 MHz, CD_3OD): $\delta = 14.1$ (C-16), 20.0 (C-15), 26.0 (C-17), 32.5 (C-9), 36.3 (C-4), 37.4 (C-6), 37.9 (C-14), 41.1 (C-12), 43.3 (C-2), 43.5 (C-10), 45.3 (C-8), 52.6 (27-OCH₃), 56.4 (11-OCH₃), 69.8 (C-5), 71.3 (C-3), 74.0 (C-13), 77.1 (C-7), 77.1 (C-11), 115.3 (C-24), 121.0 (C-

19), 134.1 (C-22), 139.3 (C-25), 141.2 (C-20), 141.3 (C-21), 159.7 (C-27), 162.5 (C-23), 167.4 (C-18), 173.1 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₉H₄₂NaN₂O₉ [M+Na]⁺: 585.27825, found 585.27827.

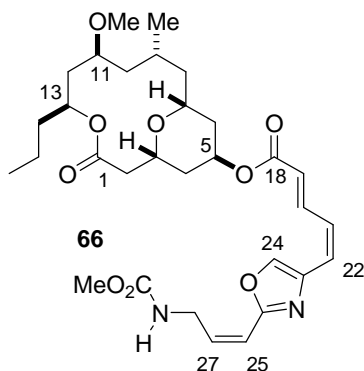


Neo-trans 64: To a solution of alcohol **16** (4.1 mg, 0.0125 mmol, 1 equiv), acid **56** (5.6 mg, 0.02 mmol, 1.6 equiv) and PPh₃ (5.8 mg, 0.022 mmol, 1.76 equiv) in absolute benzene (0.7 mL) was added diisopropyl azodicarboxylate (44 μL, 0.5M solution in benzene, 0.022 mmol, 1.76 equiv). After stirring for 1 h at ambient temperature the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 2:1? 1:1? 1:2) to afford 19-*trans* neopeltolide **64** (5.6 mg, 76%) as a colorless oil. *R*_f = 0.44 (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1); [α]_D²⁰ = +31.0 (*c* 0.4, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD): δ = 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H, 16-H), 0.99 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H, 17-H), 1.08–1.15 (m, 1H, 10-H), 1.23–1.42 (m, 6H, 8-H, 9-H, 12-H, 15-H), 1.44–1.62 (m, 4H, 10-H, 4-H, 6-H, 14-H), 1.64–1.76 (m, 2H, 6-H, 14-H), 1.78–1.93 (m, 2H, 4-H, 12-H), 2.28 (dd, *J* = 14.9, 11.1 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 2.60 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H, 21-H), 2.66–2.77 (m, 3H, 2-H, 22-H), 3.27 (s, 3H, 11-OCH₃), 3.58 (apt, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H, 7-H), 3.62–3.72 (m, 4H, 29-OCH₃, 11-H), 4.03–4.12 (m, 1H, 3-H), 4.30 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 2H, 28-H), 5.13–5.21 (m, 2H, 13-H, 5-H), 5.95 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1H, 19-H), 5.99–6.07 (m, 1H, 27-H), 6.28 (dt, *J* = 11.9, 2.0 Hz, 1H, 26-H), 7.03 (dt, *J* = 15.5, 6.8 Hz, 1H, 20-H), 7.65 (s, 1H, 24-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD): δ = 14.1 (C-16), 20.0 (C-15), 25.5 (C-22), 26.0 (C-17), 31.8 (C-21), 32.6 (C-9), 36.2 (C-4), 37.4 (C-6), 38.0 (C-14), 41.1 (C-12), 43.2 (C-2), 43.5 (C-10), 45.3 (C-8), 52.6 (29-OCH₃), 56.4 (11-OCH₃), 69.4 (C-5), 71.2 (C-3), 74.0 (C-13), 77.1 (C-7), 77.1 (C-11), 115.9 (C-26), 123.2 (C-19), 136.1 (C-24), 139.3 (C-27), 141.9 (C-23), 149.7 (C-20), 161.9 (C-25), 167.2 (C-18), 173.1 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₁H₄₆NaN₂O₉ [M+Na]⁺: 613.30955, found 613.31007.



Neo-diene-Z,E 65: To a solution of alcohol **16** (4.6 mg, 0.014 mmol, 1 equiv), acid **59** (7.8 mg, 0.028 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and PPh₃ (8.1 mg, 0.031 mmol, 2.2 equiv) in a mixture of absolute benzene (1.0 mL) and THF (1.0 mL) was added diisopropyl azodicarboxylate (62 μL, 0.5M solution in benzene, 0.031 mmol, 2.2 equiv). After stirring for 1 h at ambient temperature the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 2:1? 1.5:1? 1:1) to afford neopeltolide analog **65** (7.0 mg, 85%) as a colorless oil. *R*_f = 0.61 (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1); [α]_D²⁰ = +30.5 (*c* 0.6, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD): δ = 0.92 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H, 16-H), 0.97 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H, 17-H), 1.08–1.15 (m, 1H, 10-H), 1.26–1.42 (m, 6H, 8-H, 9-H, 12-H, 15-H), 1.44–1.62 (m, 4H, 10-H, 4-H, 6-H, 14-H), 1.63–1.76 (m, 2H, 6-H,

14-H), 1.84–1.92 (m, 2H, 4-H, 12-H), 2.30 (dd, $J = 14.8, 11.0$ Hz, 1H, 2-H), 2.71 (dd, $J = 14.8, 4.2$ Hz, 1H, 2-H), 3.27 (s, 3H, 11-OCH₃), 3.56–3.72 (m, 5H, 7-H, 29-OCH₃, 11-H), 4.07–4.16 (m, 1H, 3-H), 4.36 (dd, $J = 4.6$ Hz, 2H, 28-H), 5.12–5.20 (m, 1H, 13-H), 5.21–5.25 (m, 1H, 5-H), 5.81 (d, $J = 11.4$ Hz, 1H, 19-H), 6.06–6.14 (m, 1H, 27-H), 6.32 (d, $J = 11.9$ Hz, 1H, 26-H), 6.77–6.87 (m, 2H, 20-H, 22-H), 7.98 (s, 1H, 24-H), 8.15 (dd, $J = 15.5, 11.8$ Hz, 1H, 21-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD): $\delta = 14.1$ (C-16), 20.0 (C-15), 25.9 (C-17), 32.5 (C-9), 36.3 (C-4), 37.4 (C-6), 37.9 (C-14), 41.0 (C-12), 43.2 (C-2), 43.5 (C-10), 45.3 (C-8), 52.6 (29-OCH₃), 56.4 (11-OCH₃), 69.2 (C-5), 71.3 (C-3), 74.0 (C-13), 77.0 (C-7), 77.1 (C-11), 115.7 (C-26), 119.1 (C-22), 127.8 (C-19), 130.1 (C-24), 139.1 (C-27), 140.6 (C-23), 141.0 (C-21), 145.6 (C-20), 159.7 (C-29), 162.3 (C-25), 167.0 (C-18), 173.1 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₁H₄₄NaN₂O₉ [M+Na]⁺: 611.29390, found 611.29403.



Neo-diene-*E,E* 66: To a solution of alcohol **16** (4.4 mg, 0.013 mmol, 1 equiv), acid **61** (7.2 mg, 0.026 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and PPh₃ (7.6 mg, 0.029 mmol, 2.2 equiv) in a mixture of absolute benzene (1.0 mL) and THF (1.0 mL) was added diisopropyl azodicarboxylate (58 μ L, 0.5M solution in benzene, 0.029 mmol, 2.2 equiv). After stirring for 1 h at ambient temperature the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 2:1? 1.5:1? 1:1) to afford neopeltolide analogue **66** (6.6 mg, 86%) as a colorless oil. $R_f = 0.64$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1); $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +47.5$ (c 0.6, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD): $\delta = 0.93$ (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3H, 16-H), 0.99 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H, 17-H), 1.08–1.17 (m, 1H, 10-H), 1.26–1.43 (m, 6H, 8-H, 9-H, 12-H, 15-H), 1.45–1.62 (m, 4H, 10-H, 4-H, 6-H, 14-H), 1.67–1.77 (m, 2H, 6-H, 14-H), 1.83–1.95 (m, 2H, 4-H, 12-H), 2.30 (dd, $J = 14.8, 11.0$ Hz, 1H, 2-H), 2.71 (dd, $J = 14.9, 4.3$ Hz, 1H, 2-H), 3.28 (s, 3H, 11-OCH₃), 3.59–3.72 (m, 5H, 7-H, 29-OCH₃, 11-H), 4.07–4.16 (m, 1H, 3-H), 4.38 (d, $J = 4.6$ Hz, 2H, 28-H), 5.14–5.24 (m, 2H, 13-H, 5-H), 6.07–6.16 (m, 2H, 19-H, 27-H), 6.31 (dt, $J = 11.9, 2.0$ Hz, 1H, 26-H), 6.91 (d, $J = 15.2$ Hz, 1H, 22-H), 7.11 (dd, $J = 15.2, 11.4$ Hz, 1H, 21-H), 7.46 (dd, $J = 15.2, 11.1$ Hz, 1H, 20-H), 7.97 (s, 1H, 24-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD): $\delta = 14.1$ (C-16), 20.0 (C-15), 26.0 (C-17), 32.5 (C-9), 36.3 (C-4), 37.4 (C-6), 38.0 (C-14), 41.1 (C-12), 43.3 (C-2), 43.5 (C-10), 45.3 (C-8), 52.6 (29-OCH₃), 56.4 (11-OCH₃), 69.6 (C-5), 71.2 (C-3), 74.0 (C-13), 77.0 (C-7), 77.1 (C-11), 115.5 (C-26), 122.9 (C-22), 129.2 (C-21), 129.5 (C-19), 139.2 (C-24), 140.7 (C-27), 140.7 (C-23), 145.8 (C-20), 159.7 (C-29), 162.3 (C-25), 167.8 (C-18), 173.1 (C-1); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₃₁H₄₆NaN₂O₉ [M+H]⁺: 589.31196, found 589.31195.

