

## SYNTHESIS OF ESTERS OF *m*-C(7)-*iso*-PROPYLCARBORAN-C(1)-CARBOXYLIC ACID, NATURAL TERPENE ALCOHOLS, AND PLANT PHENOLS

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*Previously undescribed esters 1b-21b were prepared by reaction of cetyl alcohol 1a, terpene alcohols 2a-16a, plant phenols 17a-19a, and alcohols 20a and 21a with m-C(7)-iso-propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic acid.*

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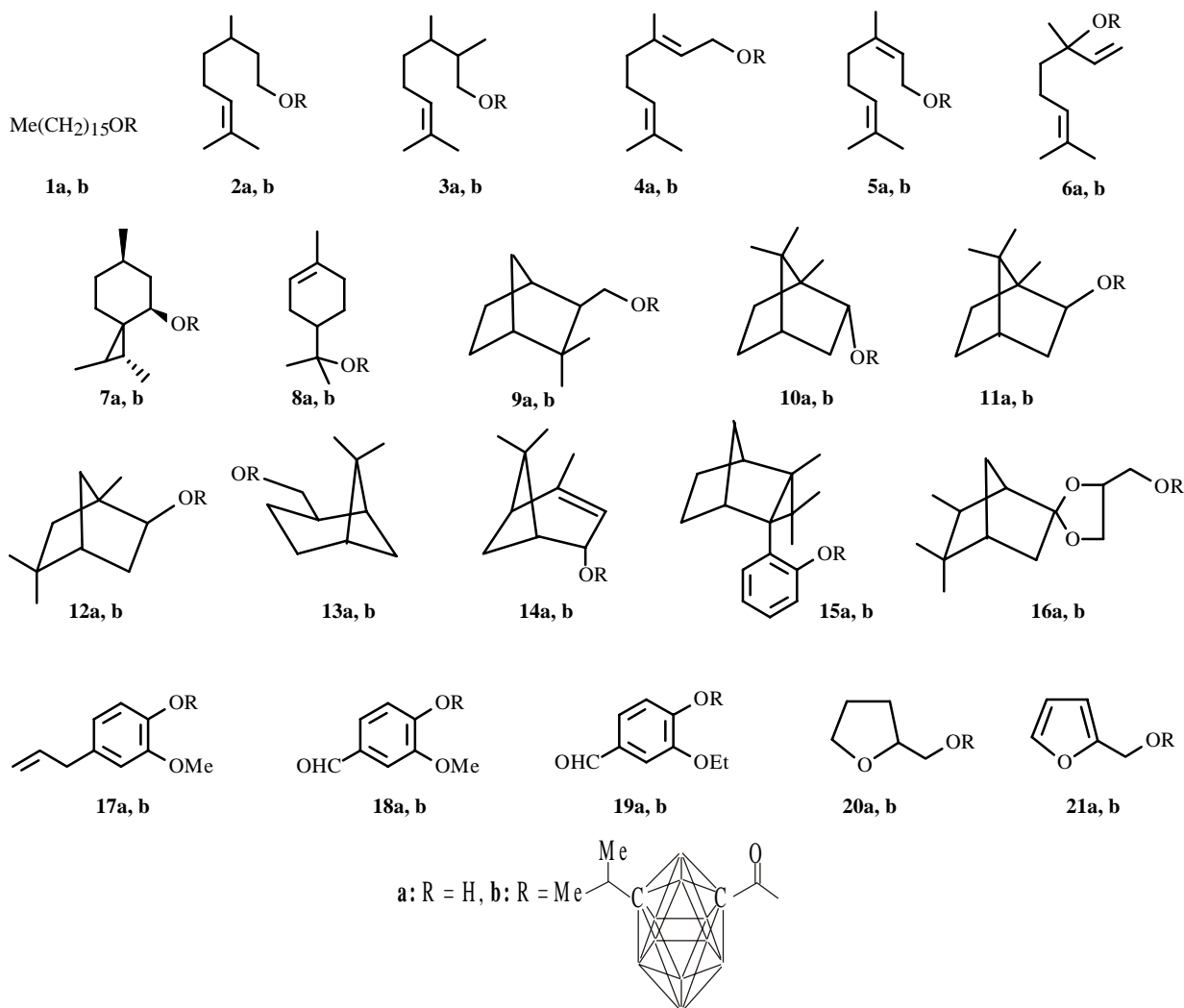
The use of boron compounds for boron-neutron-capture therapy of malignant neoplasms (cancer) was first proposed in 1936 [1]. This is binary radiotherapy during which thermal neutrons are captured by <sup>10</sup>B nuclei and then selectively transferred to cancer cells. Neutron capture leads to formation of an excited <sup>11</sup>B nucleus, which splits into high-energy <sup>4</sup>He<sup>2+</sup> and <sup>7</sup>Li<sup>3+</sup> ions. The cancer cells are killed by the release of these charged particles that create ionization tracks along their trajectories, which lead to cell damage [2-4]. One of the promising modern trends for discovering species for preparing boron clusters for diagnosis and therapy of cancer is the synthesis of carborane derivatives [5-16].

Our goal was to prepare a series of new derivatives of natural terpene alcohols and plant phenols as esters of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic acid (**1b-21b**) for investigation and screening as antitumor preparations. We selected the following natural compounds for the synthesis: cetyl alcohol (**1a**), terpenols [citronellol (**2a**), elenol (**3a**), geraniol (**4a**), nerol (**5a**), linalool (**6a**), 1*R*,2*S*,5*R*-menthol (**7a**), terpineol (**8a**), 10-hydroxymethylcamphene (**9a**), borneol (**10a**), isoborneol (**11a**), isophenol (**12a**), nopol (**13a**), *trans*-verbenol (**14a**), 2-*endo*-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2,3,3-trimethylbicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (**15a**), isocamphyl-2,2-*spiro*-4-(hydroxymethyl)-2,2-dioxolane (**16a**)], plant phenols [eugenol (**17a**), vanillin (**18a**), vanillal (**19a**)], and tetrahydrofurfuryl (**20a**) and furfuryl (**21a**) alcohols. The biological activity and specific sorption by tumor cells of esters **1b-21b** that are based on natural compounds **1a-21a** may turn out to be higher than for analogous esters of synthetic origin [17, 18]. We envision a synergistic effect caused by the mutual intensification of the pharmacophore fragments in **1b-21b**. The esters of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic acid (**1b-21b**) were prepared by reaction of the corresponding compounds **1a-21a** dissolved in absolute pyridine with the acid chloride of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic acid without organic solvents (1:1:1 stoichiometric ratio of reagents). This reaction produced **1b-21b** in preparative yields of 89-94%.

The structures of the synthesized esters were confirmed by elemental analysis, cryoscopic determination of the molecular weight, and IR, UV, and PMR spectra. The PMR spectra of **1b-21b** contain a characteristic elevated baseline from -1.5 to 7.0 ppm for the carborane fragment C<sub>2</sub>B<sub>10</sub>H<sub>10</sub>. The purity of the compounds was 98 ± 1% according to PMR spectroscopy.

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## EXPERIMENTAL

IR spectra were recorded on a Protege-460 Fourier spectrophotometer as thin layers. PMR spectra were obtained on a Tesla-567A (100 MHz) spectrometer in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  solution. Chemical shifts were measured relative to OMTS. UV spectra were obtained on a Specord UV-Vis instrument using  $1 \cdot 10^{-3}$  M solutions in *n*-butanol. Molecular weights (M) were determined by cryoscopy in benzene. Column chromatography used silica gel L 100/160  $\mu\text{m}$  with elution by hexane or benzene.

The acid chloride of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic acid was prepared as before [19].

**Esters of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid 1b-21b (General Method).** The appropriate alcohol or phenol (5 mmol, **1a-21a**) was dissolved in absolute pyridine (5 mmol). The solution was cooled to  $0^\circ\text{C}$  and treated in one portion with the acid chloride of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic acid. The reaction mixture was thoroughly mixed and left for 3-5 days at  $20-23^\circ\text{C}$ . The products (**1b-21b**) in the mixture with pyridine hydrochloride were dissolved in water, extracted with hexane (**1b-17b**, **20a**, **21a**) or benzene (**18a**, **19a**), washed with water and  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  solution (5%), and dried over  $\text{CaCl}_2$ . The desiccant was filtered off. The solvent was evaporated. Esters **1b-21b** were purified by column chromatography over silica gel with elution by hexane (**1b-17b**, **20a**, **21a**) or benzene (**18a**, **19a**).

This method produced:

**1-Hexadecyl Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (1b).** Yield 92%, mp  $19-20^\circ\text{C}$ . Found (%): C 58.60, H 11.38, B 23.22. Calc. for  $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{50}\text{B}_{10}\text{O}_2$  (%): C 58.11, H 11.08, B 23.77. M: found 430.2, calc. 454.7.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 2955, 2925, 2855 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{Alk}}$ ); 2615 (BH); 1745 (C=O); 1470 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ); 1265 (C-O); 740, 720 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 206 (300), 222 (150), 240 (50).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 0.89 (CH<sub>3</sub>, t, <sup>3</sup>J = 5.8), 1.06 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.5], 1.15-1.80 [(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>14</sub>, m], 2.25 (CH, m), 4.11 (CH<sub>2</sub>O, t, <sup>3</sup>J = 7.4).

**Citronellol Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (2b).** Yield 90%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  0.9657,  $n_D$  1.5125. Found (%): C 52.37, H 10.06, B 29.05. Calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>36</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (%): C 52.12, H 9.84, B 29.32. M: found 356.4, calc. 368.7.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3050 (=CH); 2966, 2924, 2876, 2854 (CH<sub>Alk</sub>); 1614 (BH); 1746 (C=O); 1463 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1264 (C–O); 743 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 204 (4000).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 0.91 (CH<sub>3</sub> on C-3, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 5.7), 1.06 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.5], 1.60 and 1.68 (2CH<sub>3</sub> on C-7, s and s), 2.25 (CH, m), 4.12 (2H-1, t, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.5), 5.05 (H-6, m).

**Elenol Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (3b).** Yield 92%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  0.9735,  $n_D$  1.5140. Found (%): C 52.30, H 10.03, B 29.09. Calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>36</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (%): C 52.12, H 9.84, B 29.32. M: found 354.9, calc. 368.7.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3050 (=CH); 2968, 2925, 2877, 2855 (CH<sub>Alk</sub>); 1614 (BH); 1746 (C=O); 1465 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1265 (C–O); 744 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 204 (4000).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 0.92 (3H-1, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 7.3), 1.05 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.5], 1.32 (CH<sub>3</sub> on C-3, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 7.4), 1.59 and 1.67 (2CH<sub>3</sub> on C-7, s and s), 2.25 (CH, m), 4.60 (H-2, m), 5.12 (H-6, m).

**Geraniol Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (4b).** Yield 92%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  1.0316,  $n_D$  1.5210. Found (%): C 52.74, H 9.48, B 29.33. Calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>34</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (%): C 52.43, H 9.35, B 29.49. M: found 351.0, calc. 366.6.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3060, 3025 (=CH); 2970, 2926, 2879, 2856 (CH<sub>Alk</sub>); 2615 (BH); 1745 (C–O); 1660, 1650 (C=C); 1453 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1260 (C–O); 740 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 205 (8000).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 1.06 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.5], 1.61 (CH<sub>3</sub> on C-3, s), 1.69 (2CH<sub>3</sub> on C-7, s), 2.25 (CH, m), 4.60 (2H-1, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.6), 4.90-5.45 (H-2, H-6, m).

**Nerol Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (5b).** Yield 93%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  0.9868,  $n_D$  1.5230. Found (%): C 52.69, H 9.44, B 29.37. Calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>34</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (%): C 52.43, H 9.35, B 29.49. M: found 350.7, calc. 366.6.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3050, 3025 (=CH); 2971, 2931, 2910, 2880, 2860 (CH<sub>Alk</sub>); 2615 (BH); 1745 (C=O); 1660 (C=C); 1448 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1255 (C–O); 740 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 205 (8000).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 1.05 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.5], 1.60 and 1.69 (2CH<sub>3</sub> on C-7, s and s), 1.77 (CH<sub>3</sub> on C-3, br.s), 2.25 (CH, m), 4.55 (2H-1, m), 4.95-5.40 (H-2, H-6, m).

**Linalool Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (6b).** Yield 90%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  1.0527,  $n_D$  1.5210. Found (%): C 52.66, H 9.49, B 29.30. Calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>34</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (%): C 52.43, H 9.35, B 29.49. M: found 355.1, calc. 366.6.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3080 (=CH); 2974, 2933, 2878, 2865 (CH<sub>Alk</sub>); 2613 (BH); 1744 (C=O); 1675, 1640 (C=C); 1463 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1263 (C–O); 739 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 205 (8000).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 1.05 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.4], 1.28 (CH<sub>3</sub> on C-3, s), 1.60 and 1.68 (2CH<sub>3</sub> on C-7, s and s), 2.25 (CH, m), 4.90-600 (2H-1, H-6, m).

**(-)-1*R*,2*S*,5*R*-Menthol Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (7b).** Yield 90%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  0.9719,  $n_D$  1.5115. Found (%): C 52.43, H 10.09, B 29.11. Calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>36</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (%): C 52.12, H 9.84, B 29.32. M: found 354.7, calc. 368.7.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2958, 2928, 2872 (CH<sub>Alk</sub>); 2614 (BH); 1741 (C=O); 1457 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1264 (C–O); 740 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 207 (300), 220 (150), 240 (50).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 0.82 (CH<sub>3</sub> on C-3, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.9), 0.87 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C on C-2, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.9], 1.05 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.4], 2.25 (CH, m), 4.58 (H-1, dt, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>aa</sub> = 10.1, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>ae</sub> = 4.7).

**Terpineol Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (8b).** Yield 91%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  1.0993,  $n_D$  1.5265. Found (%): C 52.71, H 9.55, B 29.24. Calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>34</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (%): C 52.43, H 9.35, B 29.49. M: found 351.4, calc. 366.6.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3060 (=CH); 2971, 2929, 2880, 2830 (CH<sub>Alk</sub>); 2613 (BH); 1739 (C=O); 1650 (C=C); 1460, 1445 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1275 (C–O); 735 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 205 (4000).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 1.05 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.4], 1.18 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, on C-4, s], 1.64 (CH<sub>3</sub> on C-1, s), 2.25 (CH, m), 5.40 (H-2, m).

**10-Methylcamphene Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (9b).** Yield 92%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  1.0158,  $n_D$  1.5375. Found (%): C 52.79, H 9.60, B 29.29. Calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>34</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (%): C 52.43, H 9.35, B 29.49. M: found 350.1, calc. 366.6.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2970, 2880 (CH<sub>Alk</sub>); 2614 (BH); 1745 (C=O); 1462 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1256 (C–O); 739 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 206 (300), 220 (150), 241 (50).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 1.00 (2CH<sub>3</sub> on C-2, s), 1.05 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.5], 2.25 (CH, m), 2.98 (H-3, br.s), 4.65 (2H-10, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 7.0).

**Borneol Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (10b).** Yield 92%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  1.0791,  $n_D$  1.5210. Found (%): C 52.77, H 9.51, B 29.20. Calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>34</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (%): C 52.43, H 9.35, B 29.49. M: found 353.3, calc. 366.6.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2956, 2879 (CH<sub>Alk</sub>); 2614 (BH); 1743 (C=O); 1470, 1454 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1268 (C–O); 735 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 206 (300), 221 (150), 240 (50).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 0.81 (CH<sub>3</sub> on C-1, s), 0.87 (2CH<sub>2</sub> on C-7, s), 1.06 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.7], 2.25 (CH, m), 4.90 (H-2, m).

**Isoborneol Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (11b).** Yield 91%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  1.0453,  $n_D$  1.5240. Found (%): C 52.71, H 9.56, B 29.29. Calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>34</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (%): C 52.43, H 9.35, B 29.49. M: found 350.1, calc. 366.6.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2955, 2880 (CH<sub>Alk</sub>); 2615 (BH); 1741 (C=O); 1469, 1456 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1265 (C–O); 740 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 206 (300), 220 (150), 240 (50).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 0.83 (CH<sub>3</sub>, s), 1.00 (CH<sub>3</sub>, s), 1.06 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.7], 1.10 (CH<sub>3</sub>, s), 2.25 (CH, m), 4.62 (H-2, m).

**Isophenchol Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (12b).** Yield 94%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  1.0110,  $n_D$  1.5215. Found (%): C 52.68, H 9.47, B 29.38. Calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>34</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (%): C 52.43, H 9.35, B 29.49. M: found 358.4, calc. 366.6.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2967, 2871 (CH<sub>Alk</sub>); 2614 (BH); 1742 (C=O); 1469, 1453 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1267 (C–O); 739 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 205 (300), 220 (150), 240 (50).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 0.92 (CH<sub>3</sub>, s), 1.01 (2CH<sub>3</sub>, s), 1.06 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.7], 2.25 (CH, m), 4.45 (H-2, m).

**Nopol Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (13b).** Yield 90%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  1.0936,  $n_D$  1.5320. Found (%): C 52.60, H 9.44, B 29.35. Calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>34</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (%): C 52.43, H 9.35, B 29.49. M: found 351.8, calc. 366.6.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2984, 2970, 2917, 2882, 2833 (CH<sub>Alk</sub>); 2614 (BH); 1747 (C=O); 1468 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1266 (C–O); 742 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 207 (350), 221 (150), 240 (50).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 0.81 (CH<sub>3</sub>, s), 1.04 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.6], 1.27 (CH<sub>3</sub>, s), 2.25 (CH, m), 4.15 (2H-2, t, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.8).

***trans*-Verbenol Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (14b).** Yield 91%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  1.1358,  $n_D$  1.5325. Found (%): C 53.12, H 9.02, B 29.50. Calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>32</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (%): C 52.72, H 8.85, B 29.66. M: found 340.3, calc. 364.5.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3040 (=CH); 2974, 2938, 2873 (CH<sub>Alk</sub>); 2613 (BH); 1739 (C–O); 1652 (C=C); 1469 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1264 (C–O); 745 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 205 (4000).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 0.87 (CH<sub>3</sub>, s), 1.04 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.6], 1.34 (CH<sub>3</sub>, s), 1.75 (CH<sub>3</sub>, s), 2.25 (CH, m), 4.70 (H-2, m), 5.28 (H-3, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 4.0).

**2-*endo*-[2-Phenyl ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic acid]-2,3,3-trimethylbicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (15b).** Yield 93%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  1.1020,  $n_D$  1.5605. Found (%): C 59.73, H 9.18, B 24.51. Calc. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>40</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (%): C 59.42, H 9.07, B 24.31. M: found 419.4, calc. 444.7.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3090, 3080, 3034, 3010 (CH<sub>Ar</sub>); 2985, 2954, 2878 (CH<sub>Alk</sub>); 2614 (BH); 1759 (C=O); 1605, 1481, 1389, 1371 (Ar); 1451 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1246, 1208, 1167, 1115 (C–O); 760, 746, 730, 677 (CH<sub>Ar</sub>). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 212 (8000), 260 (1000).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 0.79 (CH<sub>3</sub>, s), 0.89 (CH<sub>3</sub>, s), 0.95 (CH<sub>3</sub>, s), 1.11 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.8], 2.35 (CH, m), 6.80-7.55 (4H<sub>Ar</sub>, m).

**Isocamphyl-2,2-*spiro*-4-[methyl ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic acid]-2,2-dioxalane (16b).** Yield 94%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  1.1473,  $n_D$  1.5250. Found (%): C 52.24, H 9.06, B 24.22. Calc. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>38</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub> (%): C 52.03, H 8.73, B 24.65. M: found 411.2, calc. 438.6.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2971, 2873 (CH<sub>Alk</sub>); 2614 (BH); 1751 (C=O); 1472, 1449 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1268, 1109, 1019 (C–O); 739 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{max}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 205 (400), 220 (200), 243 (100).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 0.89 (2CH<sub>3</sub>, s), 1.00 (CH<sub>3</sub>, s), 1.04 [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C, d, <sup>3</sup>J = 6.5], 2.25 (CH, m), 3.45-4.45 (2CH<sub>2</sub>O and CHO, m).

**Eugenol Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (17b).** Yield 91%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  1.0862,  $n_D$  1.5550. Found (%): C 51.23, H 7.64, B 28.45. Calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>28</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (%): C 51.04, H 7.50, B 28.72. M: found 358.6, calc. 376.5.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3080 (=CH); 3075, 3005 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{Ar}}$ ); 2975, 2940, 2913, 2880, 2840 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{Alk}}$ ); 2615 (BH); 1770 (C=O); 1639 (C=C); 1607, 1464, 1421 (Ar); 1275, 1249, 1197, 1150, 1124, 1036, 1006 (C–O); 916, 843, 796 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{Ar}}$ ); 745 (BH).  
UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 208 (14000), 218 (8000), 270 (3000).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 1.08 [ $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{C}$ , d,  $^3J = 6.7$ ], 2.25 (CH, m), 3.32 ( $\text{CH}_2$ , d,  $^3J = 6.7$ ), 3.79 ( $\text{CH}_3\text{O}$ , s), 4.90–5.18 ( $=\text{CH}_2$ , m), 5.65–6.20 (=CH, m), 6.55–6.95 ( $3\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , m).

**Vanillin Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (18b).** Yield 89%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  1.2554,  $n_D$  1.5655. Found (%): C 46.39, H 6.81, B 29.47. Calc. for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{24}\text{B}_{10}\text{O}_4$  (%): C 46.14, H 6.64, B 29.66. M: found 355.2, calc. 364.5.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3080, 3010 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{Ar}}$ ); 2974, 2942, 2880, 2850, 2835, 2735 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{Alk}}$ ); 2614 (BH); 1770, 1703 (C=O); 1604, 1503, 1465, 1423, 1391 (Ar); 1277, 1246, 1195, 1146, 1120, 1032, 1005 (C–O); 800, 780, 734 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{Ar}}$ ), 745 (BH).  
UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 206 (9000), 224 (13000), 260 (8000), 308 (4000).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 1.05 [ $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{C}$ , d,  $^3J = 6.6$ ], 2.22 (CH, m), 3.88 ( $\text{CH}_3\text{O}$ , s), 7.00–7.55 ( $3\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , m), 9.93 (CHO, s).

**Vanillal Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (19b).** Yield 89%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  1.2130,  $n_D$  1.5620. Found (%): C 47.93, H 7.12, B 28.34. Calc. for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{26}\text{B}_{10}\text{O}_4$  (%): C 47.60, H 6.92, B 28.57. M: found 356.9, calc. 378.5.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3090, 3080, 3010 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{Ar}}$ ); 2982, 2940, 2901, 2881, 2830, 2735 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{Alk}}$ ); 2615 (BH); 1769, 1699 (C=O); 1602, 1503, 1441, 1391 (Ar); 1469 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ); 1273, 1245, 1192, 1154, 1120, 1040, 1006 (C–O); 798, 744 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{Ar}}$ ).  
UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 205 (9000), 224 (13000), 260 (8000), 309 (3000).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 1.06 [ $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{C}$ , d,  $^3J = 6.7$ ], 1.45 ( $\text{CH}_3$ , t,  $^3J = 7.4$ ), 2.23 (CH, m), 4.12 ( $\text{CH}_2$ , q,  $^3J = 7.4$ ), 6.85–7.50 ( $3\text{H}_{\text{Ar}}$ , m), 9.92 (CHO, s).

**Tetrahydrofurfuryl Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (20b).** Yield 93%,  $d_{20}^{20}$  1.0787,  $n_D$  1.5355. Found (%): C 42.26, H 8.53, B 34.12. Calc. for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{26}\text{B}_{10}\text{O}_3$  (%): C 42.02, H 8.33, B 34.38. M: found 292.7, calc. 314.4.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 2975, 2944, 2878 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{Alk}}$ ); 2614 (BH); 1749 (C=O); 1464 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ); 1265, 1191, 1132, 1082, 1022 (C–O); 739 (BH). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 205 (400), 221 (200), 242 (50).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 1.04 [ $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{C}$ , d,  $^3J = 6.4$ ], 2.24 (CH, m), 3.70–4.30 (CHO and  $2\text{CH}_2\text{O}$ , m).

**Furfuryl Ester of *m*-C(7)-*iso*-Propylcarboran-C(1)-carboxylic Acid (21b).** Yield 94%, mp 35–36°C. Found (%): C 42.81, H 7.35, B 34.41. Calc. for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{22}\text{B}_{10}\text{O}_3$  (%): C 42.56, H 7.14, B 34.83. M: found 297.7, calc. 310.4.

IR spectrum ( $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3150, 3120 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{Ar}}$ ); 2974, 2943, 2880 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{Alk}}$ ); 2613 (BH); 1748 (C=O); 1502, 1469, 1392, 1370 (Ar); 1448 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ); 1256, 1192, 1152, 1080, 1016, 950, 921 (C–O); 817, 746, 705, 598 ( $\text{CH}_{\text{Ar}}$ ). UV spectrum ( $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ ,  $\epsilon$ ): 217 (8000).

PMR spectrum ( $\delta$ , ppm, J/Hz): 1.05 [ $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{C}$ , d,  $^3J = 6.4$ ], 2.20 (CH, m), 5.08 ( $\text{CH}_2\text{O}$ , s), 6.25–6.45 [ $2(=\text{CH})$ , m], 7.25–7.48 (=CHO, m).

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