

Dinorditerpene, Diterpenes, Alkaloids, and Coumarins from *Clausena dunniana*

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The new dinorditerpene 14,15-dinorclerod-3-ene-2,13-dione (**2**), the eight new clerodane diterpenes **4**, **5**, **7**–**10**, **13**, and **14**, and the new furoquinoline alkaloid **15**, besides thirty known compounds, were isolated from the aerial part of *Clausena dunniana* collected in Xishuangbanna, the south of China. The structures were elucidated by spectroscopic analysis including 1D- and 2D-NMR.

1. Introduction. – *Clausena dunniana* LÉVL. (Rutaceae) is a shrub widely distributed in the south of China [1]. In continuation of our investigations on the phytochemicals of the genus *Clausena* [2–5], 40 compounds including a dinorditerpene, clerodane diterpenes, labdane diterpenes, phytane diterpenes, carbazole alkaloids, a furoquinoline, triterpenes, coumarins, flavonoids, and aromatics were isolated from the aerial parts of *C. dunniana*. Their structures were elucidated, which allowed the identification of ten new compounds (see Fig. 1) including the new dinorditerpene 14,15-dinorclerod-3-ene-2,13-dione¹) (**2**), the eight new clerodane diterpenes 2 β -(acetyloxy)clerod-3-en-15-oic acid (**4**), 2 β -(formyloxy)clerod-3-en-15-oic acid (**5**), 4 α ,18-dihydroxyclerodan-15-oic acid (**7**), 4 β -hydroxyclerodan-15-oic acid (**8**), 3 α ,4 α -dihydroxyclerodan-15-oic acid (**9**), 3 β -hydroxy-clerod-4(18)-en-15-oic acid (**10**), ethyl clerod-4(18)-en-15-oate (**13**), ethyl clerod-3-en-15-oate (**14**), and the new furoquinoline alkaloid (2*S*)-1-[(6,7-dimethoxyfuro[2,3-*b*]quinolin-4-yl)oxy]-3-methylbutane-2,3-diol (**15**), besides 30 known compounds including 2-oxoclerod-3-en-15-oic acid (**1**) [6], 2 α -methoxyclerod-3-en-15-oic acid (**3**) [7], 4 α -hydroxyclerodan-15-oic acid (**6**) [7], clerod-4(18)-en-15-oic acid (**11**) [8], clerod-3-en-15-oic acid (**12**) [9], 8 β -hydroxylabden-15-oic acid [10], (13*E*)-8 β -hydroxylabd-13-en-15-oic acid [11], phyt-2-en-1-ol [12], *trans*-palmitoylphytol [12], kokusaginine [13], skimmianine [13], 3-hydroxy-9*H*-carbazole-3-carboxaldehyde [14], clausenamide [15], gult-5-en-3 β -ol [16], tarolupenol [17], tarolupenyl acetate [17], haplociliatic acid [18], isoscopoletin, marmesin, and myricitrin [19], 5-hydroxy-3,4',7-trimethoxyflavone, 3,5-dihydroxy-4',7-dimethoxyflavone, 4',5-dihydroxy-3,7-dimethoxyflavone, ombuin, paeonol, triacontan-1-ol, stearic acid, hexatriacontanoic acid, and β -sitosterol.

¹) The systematic name corresponding to the parent name clerodane is (1*R*,2*S*,4*aR*,5*S*,8*aR*)-decahydro-1,2,4*a*,5-tetramethyl-1-[(3*R*)-3-methylpentyl]naphthalene, according to *Chem. Abstr.* We use the name clerodane for the corresponding enantiomer; see *Exper. Part* for systematic names.

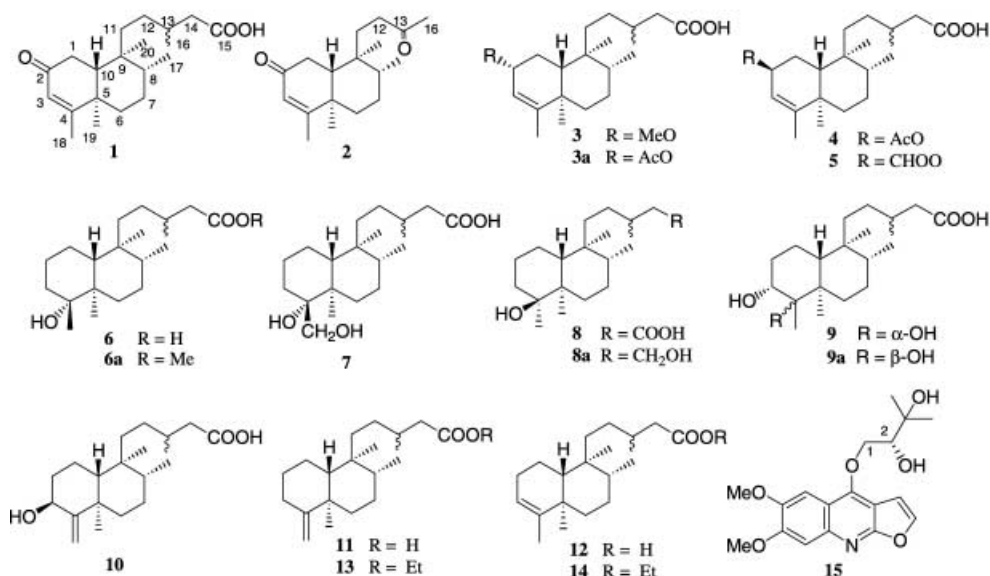


Fig. 1. The structures of compounds 1–15

2. Results and Discussion. – The AcOEt extract of the aerial parts of *C. dunniana*, upon column chromatography, afforded the ten new compounds **2**, **4**, **5**, **7–10**, and **13–15**, besides 30 known ones.

Compound **2** has the molecular formula $C_{18}H_{28}O_2$ based on the high-resolution EI-MS (m/z 276.2114 (M^+ ; calc. 276.2089)). The spectroscopic data establish the structure of **2** as being 14,15-dinorclerod-3-ene-2,13-dione.

The ^{13}C -NMR spectra and DEPT (Table) of **2** show 18 resonances for five quaternary, three CH, five CH_2 , and five Me C-atoms. Two C=O groups are evident from the ^{13}C -NMR signals at $\delta(C)$ 208.1 (*s*) and 199.8 (*s*). The signals at $\delta(C)$ 46.2 (*d*), 36.3 (*d*), 39.9 (*s*), and 38.4 (*s*) suggest that **2** has a clerodane-type skeleton [7]. In the HMBC experiment, the $^1H,^{13}C$ long-range correlations between the proton at $\delta(H)$ 5.73 (connected with the C-atom at $\delta(C)$ 125.6 (*d*) and $\delta(C)$ 18.8 (*q*, C(18)), 35.0 (C(1)), and 39.9 (*s*, C(5))), and between $\delta(H)$ 2.35 and 2.29 (connected with the C-atom at $\delta(C)$ 35.0 (*t*) and $\delta(C)$ 39.9 (*s*, C(5)), 46.2 (*d*, C(10)), and 199.8 (*s*, C(2))) reveal the presence of an α,β -unsaturated ketone moiety. The 1H - and ^{13}C -NMR spectra show that **2** is partially similar to **1**, and has the same AB/*trans* junction as suggested by the characteristic chemical shift of C(19) ($\delta(C)$ 18.3(*q*)) [6] [20–21]. Based on the $^1H,^{13}C$ long-range correlations between $\delta(H)$ 2.26 and 2.21 (corresponding C-atom at $\delta(C)$ 37.1 (*t*) and $\delta(C)$ 30.0 (*q*), 30.9 (*t*, C(11)), and 208.1 (*s*), and between $\delta(H)$ 2.13 (corresponding C-atom at $\delta(C)$ 30.0 (*q*) and $\delta(C)$ 37.1 (*t*) and 208.1 (*s*), it is clear that the side chain at C(11) is an acetonyl group $MeCOCH_2$.

The 1H - and ^{13}C -NMR spectra of **4** indicate the presence of a clerodane structure with an AcO group and a C=C bond, *i.e.*, of 2 β -(acetyloxy)clerod-3-en-15-oic acid.

The ^{13}C -NMR spectra of **4** show the same AB/*trans* junction [6] [20–21] as compounds **1–3**. The ^{13}C -NMR signals at $\delta(C)$ 38.9 (*s*, C(5)), 18.2 (*q*, C(19)), 36.5 (*d*, C(8)), 15.9 (*q*, C(17)), 38.4 (*s*, C(9)), 18.5 (*q*, C(20)), 30.8 (*d*, C(13)), and 19.8 (*q*, C(16)) suggest the 3,4-position for the C=C bond. Comparison of the 1H - and ^{13}C -NMR

Table. ^{13}C -NMR Data of Clerodane Diterpenes **1**–**14** in CDCl_3 . Trivial numbering.

C	1 ^{a)}	2 ^{b)}	3 ^{b)}	3a	4	5	6 ^{a)}	7	8	8a	9	9 ^{a)}	10 ^{b)}	11	12	13 ^{c)}	14 ^{c)}
C(1)	35.8	35.0	23.1	24.7	22.1	25.0	24.3	26.4	22.3	22.3	20.2	16.4	20.7	21.8	24.9	21.8	25.0
C(2)	203.1	199.8	74.6	72.3	74.5	69.1	22.3	21.1	21.3	21.2	31.1	30.5	37.4	28.7	33.1	28.7	33.1
C(3)	125.8	125.6	120.1	120.3	120.1	117.6	37.8	33.0	35.8	35.7	77.0	76.3	70.0	33.2	120.4	34.4	120.4
C(4)	176.4	172.1	150.0	149.6	149.9	153.0	76.8	87.1	76.0	75.5	77.4	76.9	162.4	160.7	144.4	160.5	144.4
C(5)	41.3	39.9	38.8	38.6	38.9	38.5	43.3	40.2	38.8	41.6	42.6	41.3	40.5	40.1	38.2	40.1	38.4
C(6)	36.7	35.7	36.2	36.4	36.9	36.2	33.2	31.8	31.9	31.8	33.6	32.5	37.4	37.4	37.2	37.4	37.3
C(7)	28.0	26.9	27.5	27.3	27.4	27.2	28.4	27.2	27.4	27.3	27.9	26.6	27.5	27.6	26.9	27.6	26.7
C(8)	37.2	36.3	36.1	35.9	36.5	36.2	37.9	36.3	36.4	36.2	37.1	36.1	36.8	36.7	36.4	36.6	36.3
C(9)	39.7	38.4	38.4	38.3	38.4	38.2	39.8	38.8	38.8	38.9	39.7	38.5	39.4	39.2	38.5	39.2	38.8
C(10)	47.2	46.2	41.3	45.1	41.3	41.3	44.3	41.4	40.9	40.4	41.8	40.9	48.6	48.7	46.6	48.7	46.4
C(11)	36.0	30.9	35.7	35.2	36.2	34.9	36.7	35.8	35.8	35.6	37.1	35.8	35.5	35.3	35.2	35.4	35.4
C(12)	30.1	37.1	29.1	29.3	29.3	28.7	30.5	29.3	29.7	29.8	30.7	29.7	29.5	29.4	29.6	29.6	29.6
C(13)	32.2	208.1	31.2	30.9	30.8	30.8	32.2	30.9	30.9	30.2	32.3	31.0	31.0	30.8	30.8	31.0	31.0
C(14)	42.6	–	41.3	41.4	41.4	41.4	42.6	41.4	41.5	39.9	42.8	42.1	41.6	41.4	41.5	41.9	41.9
C(15)	176.8	–	178.1	173.4	178.1	177.4	177.0	178.1	178.6	61.3	177.2	177.1	178.6	179.1	179.5	173.7	173.2
C(16)	20.2	30.0	20.0	19.9	19.8	19.9	20.2	19.8	20.0	20.0	20.0	19.9	20.0	19.8	19.8	19.8	19.8
C(17)	16.1	15.7	15.8	15.9	15.9	15.7	16.4	16.0	16.1	16.1	16.2	15.9	16.0	16.0	15.9	15.9	15.7
C(18)	19.1	18.8	17.9	17.7	17.9	18.0	23.4	70.1	24.4	24.4	21.2	21.3	99.5	102.5	18.4	102.4	18.5
C(19)	18.6	18.3	18.3	19.7	18.2	18.5	15.4	24.4	17.8	17.7	17.8	17.3	21.5	20.9	20.9	20.8	20.8
C(20)	18.4	17.7	18.6	18.4	18.5	18.3	18.8	18.4	18.6	18.6	18.8	18.4	18.3	18.2	18.2	18.8	18.1
MeO			56.2	51.3													
MeCO				21.3	21.7												
MeCO				170.7	171.2	161.0											

^{a)} ^{13}C -NMR Spectra were measured in CD_3OD . ^{b)} Assignments by 2D NMR (HMOC, HMBC, $^1\text{H},^1\text{H}$ COSY) experiments; all other assignments by comparison. ^{c)} Other ^{13}C -NMR data of **13** and **14**: 60.0 (*t*) and 13.6 (*q*).

spectra of **4** with those of **3a**, whose configuration has been established unambiguously by a partial synthesis, reveals that **4** is 2-epimer of **3a** [7].

Compound **5** has the molecular formula $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{34}\text{O}_4$, based on the HR-EI-MS (m/z 350.2461 (M^+ ; calc. 350.2457)). The ^{13}C -NMR data are similar to those of **4**, except for the presence of a formyl instead of an acetyl group (**5**: $\delta(\text{C})$ 161.0 (*s*) and $\delta(\text{H})$ 8.07 (*s*)). Hence, **5** is 2 β -(formyloxy)clerod-3-en-15-oic acid. It is possibly an artifact produced from **4** and formic acid by transesterification on workup (usually 0.2% of elution when such an acid is isolated by column chromatography over silica gel).

The HR-EI-MS establishes the formula $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{36}\text{O}_4$ for **7**. The ^{13}C -NMR spectra and DEPT show the similarity between **7**, **6** (Table), and **6a** [7], revealing that the signal at $\delta(\text{C})$ 87.1 (*s*) has to be attributed to C(4), and the signal at $\delta(\text{C})$ 70.1 (*t*) to C(18). These assignments are further supported by the γ -*gauche* effect observed between OH–C(18) and C(3) and C(5), and the β -*gauche* effect to C(4). Thus, **7** is 4 α ,18-dihydroxyclerodan-15-oic acid.

The ^{13}C -NMR spectra and DEPT of **8** show that it is an epimer of **6** [7] at C(4). The relative β -configuration of OH–C(4) is determined by comparing the ^{13}C -NMR data of C(3), C(5), C(10), C(18), and C(19) (Table) with those of **6**, **6a**, and **8a** [7]. Thus, **8** is β -hydroxyclerodan-15-oic acid.

The ^1H - and ^{13}C -NMR spectra of **9** show a clerodane-type skeleton with AB/*trans* junction [6] [20–21]. The ^{13}C -NMR spectra (*Table*) of **9** are similar to those of methyl 3 α ,4 β -dihydroxycycloclerodan-15-oate (**9a**) [7], except for the signal of C(4) (δ 76.9 (*s*) in CDCl_3), suggesting the α -configuration of OH–C(4). This is also supported by the upfield shift of the signals of C(1), C(5), and C(19) (see *Table*) due to the γ -*gauche* effect of OH–C(3) as compared to the corresponding signals of **6** and **6a** having an α -positioned OH–C(4). Thus, **9** must be 3 α ,4 α -dihydroxycycloclerodan-15-oic acid.

The HR-EI-MS gave the formula $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{34}\text{O}_3$ for **10** (m/z 322.2507 (M^+ ; calc. 322.2508)). Further data suggest that the structure of **10** is that of 3 β -hydroxycycloclerod-4(18)-en-15-oic acid.

The ^{13}C -NMR spectra and DEPT (*Table*) of **10** show 20 signals for four Me, eight CH_2 including an olefinic one, four CH, and four quaternary C-atoms, revealing the presence of a clerodane diterpene. However, comparison with the ^{13}C -NMR data of **1** suggest Me–C(4) is missing and replaced by a $\text{CH}_2=\text{C}(4)$ group ($\delta(\text{C})$ 99.5 (*t*), $\delta(\text{H})$ 4.70 and 4.90, $\delta(\text{C})$ 162.4(C(4)). This is confirmed by the $^1\text{H},^{13}\text{C}$ long-range correlations (HMBC experiment) between $\delta(\text{H})$ 1.02 (Me(19)) and $\delta(\text{C})$ 162.4 (*s*, C(4)), 48.6 (*d*, C(10)), 40.5 (*s*, C(5)), and 37.4 (*t*, C(6)). The OH-substituted CH at $\delta(\text{C})$ 70.0 is determined to be C(3) based on the γ -*gauche* effect of the OH group to C(1) (δ 20.7). The $^1\text{H},^{13}\text{C}$ long-range correlations between $\delta(\text{H})$ 4.90 and 4.70 (2 H–C(18)) and $\delta(\text{C})$ 70.0 (*d*), 40.5 (*s*, C(5)), and 162.4 (*s*, C(4)) further support the assignment of $\delta(\text{C})$ 70.0. The NOE between $\delta(\text{H})$ 4.32 (H–C(3)) and 1.02 (Me(19)) indicates the α -configuration of H–C(3).

The 4-methylidene diterpene **11** was not obtained in pure form but was accompanied by a small amount of its 3,4-unsaturated isomer **12**, even after repeated column chromatography.

The signals for an exocyclic C=C bond of **11** at $\delta(\text{C})$ 102.4 (*t*) and 160.5 (*s*) (*Table*) are assigned to C(18) and C(4) [8]. The presence of other C-resonances at 144.4 (*s*), 120.4 (*d*), 46.4 (*d*), and 39.1 (*s*) suggest that the minor component is the 3,4-unsaturated isomer **12** of **11** [9].

Compounds **13** and **14** are also 4,18-unsaturated and 3,4-unsaturated isomers, similar to **11** and **12**. The ^{13}C -NMR carbonyl signal (C(15)) of **13** and **14** is upfield-shifted to *ca.* δ 173 (*s*), suggesting they are esters of **11** and **12**, respectively. Their structures are confirmed by further ^{13}C -NMR and EI-MS data.

The molecular formula of **15**, $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_6$, is established by its HR-EI-MS (m/z 347.1377 (M^+ , calc. 347.1369)). The UV spectra (244.5, 250.5, 308, 321, 334.5 nm) show the typical absorptions for a furoquinoline alkaloid [13]. Based on further spectroscopic data, **15** is identified as 1-[(6,7-dimethoxyfuro[2,3-*b*]quinolin-4-yl)oxy]-3-methylbutane-2,3-diol. The (*S*)-configuration at C(2) is deduced by comparison of the $[\alpha]_D$ value of **15** with that of (*S*)-porritoxinol (=6-[(2*S*)-2,3-dihydroxy-3-methylbutoxy]-4-methoxy-5-methylisobenzofuran-1(3*H*)-one [22] and (*S*)-peucedanol (=6-[(2*S*)-2,3-dihydroxy-3-methylbutyl]-7-hydroxy-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one [23], which have a similar 2,3-dihydroxy-3-methylbutyl moiety and one stereogenic C-atom.

The ^{13}C -NMR spectra and DEPT of **15** show 18 signals for four Me (two MeO and two Me–C), one CH_2 , five CH, and eight quaternary C-atoms. The ^1H -NMR spectra exhibit a pair of AB '*d*' ($J=2.6$ Hz) at δ 7.79 and 7.40 corresponding to H–C(2') and H–C(3') of the furan ring, respectively [24]. Two 1-H *s* at δ 7.86 and 7.64 are assigned to the two isolated aromatic H–C(5') and H–C(8'), respectively. In the HMBC experiment, the $^1\text{H},^{13}\text{C}$ long-range correlations between $\delta(\text{H})$ 7.86 (H–C(5')) and $\delta(\text{C})$ 114.2 (C(8'a)), 143.6 (C(4'a)), 148.6 (C(6')), 153.5 (C(7')), and 155.9 (C(4')), between $\delta(\text{H})$ 7.64 (H–C(8')) and $\delta(\text{C})$ 114.2 (C(8'a)), 143.6 (C(4'a)), 148.6

(C(6')), and 153.5 (C(7')), between $\delta(\text{H})$ 3.83 (s, MeO) and $\delta(\text{C})$ 153.5 (C(7')), and between $\delta(\text{H})$ 3.70 (s, MeO) and $\delta(\text{C})$ 148.6 (C(6')) reveal that one MeO ($\delta(\text{H})$ 3.70, $\delta(\text{C})$ 55.7) is linked to C(6') and the other to C(7') ($\delta(\text{H})$ 3.83, $\delta(\text{C})$ 55.7) (see Fig. 2). The $^1\text{H},^{13}\text{C}$ long-range correlations between $\delta(\text{H})$ 1.63 (s, 3 H) and $\delta(\text{C})$ 28.0 (q), 71.8 (s), and 77.4 (d), between $\delta(\text{H})$ 1.68 (s, 3 H) and $\delta(\text{C})$ 25.7 (q), 71.8 (s), and 77.4 (d), and between $\delta(\text{H})$ 4.51 (dd, $J=8.0, 2.7$ Hz, 1 H) and $\delta(\text{C})$ 25.7 (q), 28.0 (q), 71.8 (s), and 74.6 (t) suggest the presence of an $\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{C}(\text{OH})(\text{Me})_2$ side chain. This side chain is linked to C(4') via an O-atom as established by the $^1\text{H},^{13}\text{C}$ long-range correlations between $\delta(\text{H})$ 5.45 (dd, $J=9.8, 2.7$ Hz, 1 H) and $\delta(\text{C})$ 155.9 (s, C(4')) and between $\delta(\text{H})$ 5.11 (dd, $J=9.8, 8.0$ Hz, 1 H) and $\delta(\text{C})$ 155.9 (s, C(4')).

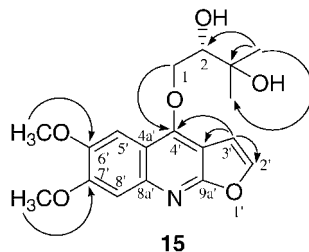


Fig. 2. Selected $^1\text{H},^{13}\text{C}$ long-range correlations of furoquinoline alkaloid **15**

Experimental Part

General. CC = Column chromatography. UV-210A spectrophotometer; λ_{max} in nm. IR Spectra: Perkin-Elmer 577 spectrophotometer; $\bar{\nu}$ in cm^{-1} . 1D NMR Spectra: Bruker AM-400 spectrometer; δ in ppm, J in Hz. 2D NMR Spectra: Bruker DRX-500 spectrometer. MS: Autospec 3000 spectrometer at 70 eV; in m/z (rel. %).

Plant Material. The aerial parts of *Clausena dunniana* were collected in Yishuangbanna, Yunnan Province, P.R. China, in April 1999. The plant was identified by Prof. D. D. Tao of the Kunming Institute of Botany. A voucher specimen (No. H98041703) of this plant was deposited at the Kunming Institute of Botany, Kunming, China.

Extraction and Isolation. The powdered aerial parts of *C. dunniana* (2.0 kg) were extracted with AcOEt (4×61) under reflux for 6 h each time. The extract (130 g) was separated into five fractions by CC (porous resin D101, 20 \rightarrow 100% EtOH/H₂O): Fr. 1–5. Fr. 1 mainly contained sugars. Fr. 2 (5.50 g) was subjected to CC (silica gel, $\text{CHCl}_3/\text{MeOH}$ 95:5, 90:10, 85:15): **9** and **15**. Fr. 3 (10.10 g) was subjected to repeated CC (silica gel), kokusaginine, skimmianine, and **10**. Fr. 4 was subjected to repeated CC (silica gel): **1–8** and **10**. Compounds **11–14** were isolated from Fr. 5.

14,15-Dinorclerod-3-en-2,13-dione (= (4aR,7R,8S,8aR)-4a,5,6,7,8,8a-Hexahydro-4,4a,7,8-tetramethyl-8-(3-oxobutyl)naphthalen-2(1H)-one); **2**). Colorless oil. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -20.0$ ($c=0.35$, CHCl_3). $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): 0.83 (d, $J=6.7$, Me(17)); 0.84 (s, Me(20)); 1.12 (s, Me(19)); 1.39 (m, H-C(8)); 1.52 (m, 1 H-C(7)); 1.54 (m, 1 H-C(7)); 1.56 (m, 1 H-C(11)); 1.62 (m, 1 H-C(11)); 1.78 (dd, $J=14.0, 3.8$, H-C(10)); 1.88 (dt, $J=16.6, 0.75$, 2 H-C(6)); 1.89 (s, Me(18)); 2.13 (s, Me(16)); 2.21 (m, 1 H-C(12)); 2.26 (m, 1 H-C(12)); 2.29 (m, 1 H-C(1)); 2.35 (dd, $J=14.0, 9.0$, 1 H-C(1)); 5.73 (br. s, H-C(3)). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3): Table. EI-MS: 276 (24, M^+), 261 (47), 258 (55), 243 (47), 205 (49), 187 (20), 163 (19), 149 (36), 135 (66), 121 (100), 109 (71), 95 (50), 83 (51). HR-EI-MS 276.2114 ($\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_2^+$; calc. 276.2089).

2 β -(Acetyloxy)clerod-3-en-15-oic Acid (= (β 5,1S,2R,4aR,7S,8aR)-7-(Acetyloxy)-1,2,3,4,4a,7,8,8a-octahydro- β ,1,2,4a,5-pentamethylnaphthalene-1-pentanoic Acid; **4**). Colorless oil. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -6.25$ ($c=0.40$, CHCl_3). $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl_3): 0.75 (s, Me(20)); 0.80 (d, $J=6.6$, Me(17)); 0.98 (d, $J=7.0$, Me(16)); 0.99 (s, Me(19)); 1.64 (s, Me(18)); 2.18 (s, AcO); 5.71 (br. s, 1 H-C(3)). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl_3): Table. EI-MS: 364 (2, M^+), 350 (4), 334 (15), 209 (100), 189 (23), 163 (11), 149 (15), 135 (25), 123 (65), 112 (40), 98 (79), 83 (61). HR-EI-MS: 364.2619 ($\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{36}\text{O}_4^+$; calc. 364.2614).

2 β -(Formyloxy)clerod-3-en-15-oic Acid (= (β 5,1S,2R,4aR,7S,8aR)-7-(Formyloxy)-1,2,3,4,4a,7,8,8a-octahydro- β ,1,2,4a,5-pentamethylnaphthalene-1-pentanoic Acid; **5**). Colorless oil. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = -59.70$ ($c=0.067$, CHCl_3). $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (500 MHz, CDCl_3): 0.72 (s, Me(20)); 0.80 (d, $J=6.4$, Me(17)); 0.93 (d, $J=6.9$, Me(16)); 0.94 (s, Me(19)); 1.66 (s, Me(18)); 8.07 (s, CHO). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl_3): Table. EI-MS: 350 (4, M^+), 332 (15),

322 (5), 304 (44), 209 (63), 189 (43), 161 (30), 139 (87), 123 (71), 105 (72), 69 (92), 55 (100). HR-EI-MS: 350.2461 ($C_{21}H_{34}O_4^+$; calc. 350.2457).

4 α ,18-Dihydroxycycloclerodan-15-oic Acid (= ($\beta\xi,1S,2R,4aR,5R,8aR$)-Decahydro-5-hydroxy-5-(hydroxymethyl)- $\beta,1,2,4a$ -tetramethylnaphthalene-1-pentanoic Acid; **7**). Colorless oil. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -23.33$ ($c = 0.30$, $CHCl_3$). 1H -NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): 0.68 (*s*, Me(20)); 0.77 (*d*, $J = 6.3$, Me(17)); 0.97 (*d*, $J = 6.9$, Me(16)); 1.39 (*s*, Me(19)); 3.47 (*d*, $J = 8.3$, 1 H-C(18)); 3.90 (*d*, $J = 8.3$, 1 H-C(18)). ^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): Table. EI-MS: 340 (2, M^+), 322 (12, $[M - H_2O]^+$), 305 (22), 265 (36), 209 (62), 189 (37), 149 (55), 109 (60), 95 (71), 69 (87), 55 (100). HR-EI-MS: 340.2608 ($C_{27}H_{36}O_4^+$; calc. 340.2614).

4 β -Hydroxycycloclerodan-15-oic Acid (= ($\beta\xi,1S,2R,4aR,5S,8aR$)-Decahydro-5-hydroxy- $\beta,1,2,4a,5$ -pentamethylnaphthalene-1-pentanoic Acid; **8**). Colorless oil. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +13.06$ ($c = 1.80$, $CHCl_3$). 1H -NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): 0.74 (*s*, Me(20)); 0.80 (*d*, $J = 6.3$, Me(17)); 0.95 (*d*, $J = 7.0$, Me(16)); 1.39 (*s*, Me(18)). ^{13}C -NMR: Table. EI-MS: 324 (26, M^+), 306 (13), 291 (16), 264 (8), 209 (78), 191 (92), 149 (29), 137 (43), 123 (61), 109 (68), 95 (76), 69 (100). HR-EI-MS: 324.2706 ($C_{20}H_{36}O_4^+$; calc. 324.2664).

3 $\alpha,4\alpha$ -Dihydroxycycloclerodan-15-oic Acid (= ($\beta\xi,1S,2R,4aR,5\xi,6R,8aR$)-Decahydro-5,6-dihydroxy- $\beta,1,2,4a,5$ -pentamethylnaphthalene-1-pentanoic Acid; **9**). Colorless oil. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +9.32$ ($c = 0.32$, MeOH). 1H -NMR (400 MHz, CD_3OD): 0.73 (*s*, Me(20)); 0.77 (*d*, $J = 6.5$, Me(17)); 0.95 (*d*, $J = 7.0$, Me(16)); 1.10 (*s*, Me(19)); 1.17 (*s*, Me(18)); 3.48 (1 br. *s*, H-C(3)). ^{13}C -NMR: Table. EI-MS: 340 (80, M^+), 322 (81), 279 (21), 276 (10), 225 (100), 207 (89), 189 (67), 163 (65), 137 (92), 123 (85), 109 (83), 95 (97), 69 (100). HR-EI-MS: 340.2619 ($C_{20}H_{36}O_4^+$; calc. 340.2614).

3 β -Hydroxycycloclerod-4(18)-en-15-oic Acid (= ($\beta\xi,1S,2R,4aR,6S,8aR$)-Decahydro-6-hydroxy- $\beta,1,2,4a$ -tetramethyl-5-methylenenaphthalene-1-pentanoic Acid; **10**). Colorless oil. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +33.83$ ($c = 1.50$, $CHCl_3$). 1H -NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): 0.69 (*s*, Me(20)); 0.76 (*d*, $J = 6.5$, Me(17)); 0.92 (*d*, $J = 6.8$, Me(16)); 1.02 (*s*, Me(19)); 1.46 (*m*, 1 H-C(1)); 1.58 (*m*, 1 H-C(1)); 1.43 (*m*, 1 H-C(7)); 1.54 (*m*, 1 H-C(7)); 0.91 (*m*, 1 H-C(12)); 1.17 (*m*, 1 H-C(12)); 1.82 (*m*, H-C(13)); 1.18 (*m*, 1 H-C(11)); 1.32 (*m*, 1 H-C(11)); 1.40 (*m*, H-C(8)); 1.50 (*m*, 1 H-C(2)); 2.15 (*m*, 1 H-C(2)); 1.12 (*m*, 1 H-C(6)); 2.17 (*m*, 1 H-C(6)); 2.36 (*m*, 1 H-C(14)); 2.14 (*m*, 1 H-C(14)); 1.08 (*m*, H-C(10)); 4.32 (br. *s*, H-C(3)); 4.70 (br. *s*, 1 H-C(18)); 4.90 (br. *s*, 1 H-C(18)). ^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): Table. EI-MS: 322 (15, M^+), 304 (19), 289 (13), 237 (16), 207 (37), 189 (72), 161 (32), 137 (45), 123 (53), 109 (61), 95 (76), 55 (100). HR-EI-MS: 322.2507 ($C_{20}H_{34}O_3^+$; calc. 322.2508).

Ethyl Clerod-4(18)-en-15-oate (13) and Ethyl Clerod-3-en-15-oate (14). Colorless oil. ^{13}C -NMR: Table. EI-MS: 334 (41, M^+), 319 (33), 291 (45), 191 (98), 95 (100), 69 (88). HR-EI-MS: 334.2878 ($C_{22}H_{38}O_2^+$; calc. 334.2872).

*(2S)-1-[6,7-Dimethoxyfuro[2,3-*b*]quinolin-4-yl]oxy-3-methylbutane-2,3-diol (15)*. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -14.4$ ($c = 0.45$, MeOH). UV (MeOH): 210.5, 244.5, 250.5, 293, 308, 321, 334.5. IR (KBr): 3444, 3129, 2970, 1625, 1592, 1550, 1510, 1483, 1434, 1369, 1260, 1218, 1094, 1012, 852, 777. 1H -NMR (400 MHz, C_5D_5N): 1.63 (*s*, Me(4)); 1.68 (*s*, Me-C(3)); 3.70 (*s*, MeO-C(6)); 3.83 (*s*, MeO-C(7)); 4.51 (*dd*, $J = 8.0, 2.7$, H-C(2)); 5.11 (*dd*, $J = 9.8, 8.0$, 1 H-C(1)); 5.45 (*dd*, $J = 9.8, 2.7$, 1 H-C(1)); 7.40 (*d*, $J = 2.6$, H-C(3')); 7.64 (*s*, H-C(8')); 7.79 (*d*, $J = 2.6$, H-C(2')); 7.86 (*s*, H-C(5')). ^{13}C -NMR (100 MHz, C_5D_5N): 25.7 (C(4)); 28.0 (C(5)); 55.7 (MeO-C(6)); 55.7 (MeO-C(7)); 71.8 (C(3)); 74.6 (C(1)); 77.4 (C(2)); 101.8 (C(5')); 103.7 (C(3'a)); 105.8 (C(3')); 107.6 (C(8')); 114.2 (C(4'a)); 143.1 (C(2')); 143.6 (C(8'a)); 148.6 (C(6')); 153.5 (C(7')); 155.9 (C(4')); 163.8 (C(1'a)). EI-MS: 347 (85, M^+), 332 (11), 287 (11), 245 (100), 230 (41), 216 (10), 202 (22), 188 (13), 59 (59). HR-EI-MS: 347.1377 ($C_{18}H_{21}NO_6^+$; calc. 347.1369).

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