

Sesquiterpenes from the Formosan Stolonifer *Tubipora musica*

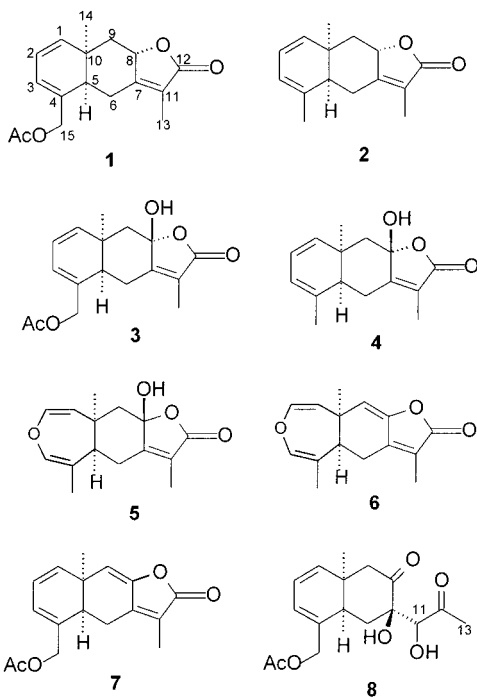
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Eight new sesquiterpenes, tubipolides A–G (**1–7**) and tubiporone (**8**) (novel carbon skeleton), and a known sesquiterpene, spiro-tubipolide, have been isolated from the Formosan stolonifer *Tubipora musica*. The structures of compounds **1–8** were determined by 1D and 2D NMR spectral analysis.

Previously, Iguchi et al. reported three furanosesquiterpenoids, tubipofuran, 15-acetoxytubipofuran, and spiro-tubipolide, from the Japanese stolonifer *Tubipora musica*.^{1,2} As part of our search for bioactive substances from marine organisms, the Formosan stolonifer *Tubipora musica* Linnaeus (Stolonifera) was studied based on the CH₂Cl₂ extracts, showing significant cytotoxicity in P-388 (mouse lymphocytic leukemia) cell cultures as determined by standard procedures.^{3,4} Bioassay-guided fractionations resulted in the isolation of eight new sesquiterpenes, tubipolide A–G (**1–7**) and tubiporone (**8**) (novel carbon skeleton), and a known sesquiterpene, spiro-tubipolide.² Compounds **2**, **7**, and spiro-tubipolide exhibited cytotoxicity against the P-388 cell line.



Results and Discussion

Tubipolide A (**1**) was shown to have the molecular formula C₁₇H₂₀O₄ as indicated by HREIMS and NMR data. Its UV absorption at λ_{max} (log ε) 262 nm (3.08) exhibited the presence of a conjugated homoannular diene system, which was further confirmed by ¹H NMR [δ 5.66 (H-1), 6.02

(H-2), 6.00 (H-3)] and ¹³C NMR (δ 134.4, 123.8, 121.1, 136.7).^{3,4} The ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra also showed signals due to an acetoxymethyl (δ_H 2.12, 4.66, δ_C 20.9, 66.1, 170.8), a methyl on a quaternary carbon (δ_H 0.98, δ_C 24.6, 36.5), and two methylenes [δ_H 2.11 (H-6β), 2.85 (H-6α), 2.47 (H-9β), 1.25 (H-9α), δ_C 27.1, 45.4].

The presence of a α-methyl-α,β-unsaturated-γ-lactone moiety was indicated by the following spectral data: IR 1746 cm⁻¹; UV 226 (4.26) nm; ¹H NMR 1.82 (H-13), 4.66 (H-8); ¹³C NMR 8.3 (C-13), 78.4 (C-8), 119.6 (C-11), 160.1 (C-7), 175.0 (C-12). These spectral data closely resembled those of the known α-methyl-α,β-unsaturated-γ-lactone.⁵ COSY correlations from H-5 to H₂-6 and H-8 to H₂-9, as well as HMBC correlations (Figure 1) from H₂-6 to C-7 and C-11 and from H₂-9 to C-10, C-1, and C-14, confirmed the connection of ring A and ring C through C-6 and C-9. The relative stereochemistry of **1** was established by a 2D NOESY experiment, as shown in Figure 2. The NOESY correlations between the angular methyl (H₃-14) and the H-5 signal indicated the *cis* A/B ring junction. H-8 was assigned as β based on NOEs between H₃-14 and H-9α; H-9β and H-8.

Tubipolide B (**2**) had a molecular formula of C₁₅H₁₈O₂ (HREIMS and NMR). The UV and IR spectra indicated the presence of conjugated homoannular diene and α,β-unsaturated-γ-lactone moieties. The ¹³C and ¹H NMR spectra of **2** were quite similar to those of **1**, except the acetoxymethyl was replaced by a methyl group (δ_H 1.86, δ_C 22.4) in **2**. HMBC correlations between H₃-15 and C-3, C-4 as well as COSY correlations between H-15 and H-3 confirmed this assignment. The relative stereochemistry of **2** was established by a 2D NOESY experiment. The NOESY correlations between the angular methyl (H₃-14) and the H-5 signal indicated the *cis* A/B ring junction. H-8 was assigned as β based on NOEs between H-14 and H-9α; H-9β and H-8.

HREIMS and NMR data revealed tubipolide C (**3**) to have a molecular formula of C₁₇H₂₀O₅. The presence of a α-methyl-α,β-unsaturated-γ-hydroxy-γ-lactone moiety was indicated by the following spectral data: IR 3504, 1747 cm⁻¹; UV 236 (4.28) nm; ¹H NMR 1.79 (H-13); ¹³C NMR 8.3 (C-13), 103.2 (C-8), 121.3 (C-11), 158.9 (C-7), 172.5 (C-12). The ¹³C and ¹H NMR spectra of **3** resembled those of **1** except a hydroxy group replaced the proton at C-8 (δ_C 103.2) in **3**. The assignment of a hydroxy group at C-8 was confirmed by HMBC correlations between H-9 and C-8; H-6 and C-4, C-5, C-7, C-8, C-10; and OH-8 and C-7, C-8, C-9. The relative stereochemistry at C-5 and C-10 of **3** was determined by NOESY correlations between H-5 and H₃-14, H-6α, H₃-15. The hydroxy group at C-8 was assigned

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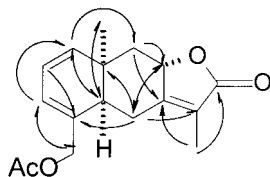


Figure 1. HMBC correlations of **1**.

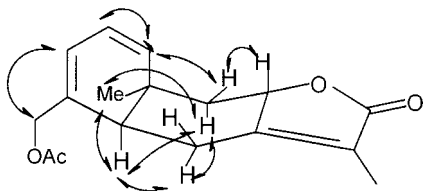


Figure 2. NOESY correlations of **1**.

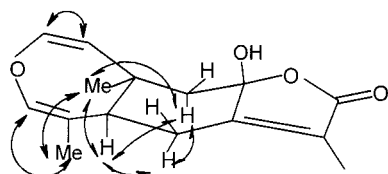


Figure 3. NOESY correlations of **5**.

as β based on the chemical shift of H₃-14, as it was not influenced by a deshielding effect of the hydroxyl.

Tubipolide D (**4**) had a molecular formula of C₁₅H₁₈O₃ as indicated by HREIMS and NMR data. The presence of a α -methyl- α,β -unsaturated- γ -hydroxy- γ -lactone moiety was indicated by the following spectral data: IR 3461, 1743 cm⁻¹; UV 235 (4.29) nm; ¹H NMR 1.85 (H-13), ¹³C NMR 8.3 (C-13), 103.0 (C-8), 121.2 (C-11), 159.0 (C-7), 172.0 (C-12). The ¹³C and ¹H NMR spectra of **4** exhibited close similarity to **3** except the acetoxy methyl group at C-4 was replaced by a methyl (δ_{H} 1.87, δ_{C} 22.2). HMBC correlation between H₃-15 and C-5, C-3, C-4 confirmed this assignment. The relative stereochemistry at C-5 and C-10 of **4** was determined by NOESY correlations between H-5 and H₃-14, H-6 α .

Tubipolide E (**5**) showed a higher molecular weight by 16 mass units than **4**. The presence of an α -methyl- α,β -unsaturated- γ -hydroxy- γ -lactone moiety was indicated by the following spectral data: IR 3556, 1746 cm⁻¹; UV 242 (4.28) nm; ¹H NMR 1.87 (H-13); ¹³C NMR 8.3 (C-13), 102.9 (C-8), 122.1 (C-11), 159.7 (C-7), 171.9 (C-12). The ¹³C and ¹H NMR data of **5** were similar to those of **4** except the presence of an enol ether linkage between C-2 (δ_{C} 139.9, δ_{H} 6.14) and C-3 (δ_{C} 139.6, δ_{H} 6.24).^{6,7} HMBC correlations from H-2 to C-1, C-3, and C-10; from H-1 to C-2 and C-5; and from H₃-15 to C-3, C-4, and C-5 confirmed the assignment of a oxepine ring. The *cis* A/B ring junction was determined by NOESY correlation between H₃-14 and H-5.

Tubipolide F (**6**) had a molecular formula of C₁₅H₁₆O₃ as determined by HREIMS. The presence of a α -methyl- α,β -unsaturated- γ -lactone moiety was indicated by the following spectral data: IR 1739 cm⁻¹; UV 246 (4.24) nm; ¹H NMR 1.91 (H-13); ¹³C NMR 8.5 (C-13), 149.0 (C-8), 120.6 (C-11), 148.0 (C-7), 171.3 (C-12). The structure of **6** was determined by comparing the ¹H NMR spectra with those of **5**. Vinylic protons at δ 6.25 (H-3), 6.06 (H-2), and 4.47 (H-1) indicated the same ring A structure. The lack of the lactonic proton as well as of the isolated methylene protons at C-9 and the presence of an olefinic singlet at δ 5.65 (H-9) indicated a double bond at Δ .^{8,9} HMBC correlations between H-9 and C-7, C-5, C-14; H₃-14 and C-1, C-5, C-9,

C-10; H₂-6 and C-7, C-8; and H-5 and C-10, C-9 confirmed this assignment.

The molecular formula of tubipolide G (**7**) was determined as C₁₇H₁₈O₄ from HRFABMS. The ¹³C and ¹H NMR data of **7** were analogous to those of **1** except the methylene (C-9) and a lactone methine (C-8) were replaced by an olefin at Δ .^{8,9} (δ_{H} 5.54, δ_{C} 112.8, 147.4). HMBC correlations between H₂-9 and C-5, C-7, C-8, C-10, C-14; H₃-14 and C-5, C-9, C-10; and H₂-6 and C-4, C-5, C-8, C-10, C-11 confirmed the position of the double bond (Δ .^{8,9}). The relative stereochemistry at C-5 and C-10 of **7** was determined by NOESY correlations between H₃-14 and H-5.

Tubiporone (**8**) was obtained as a colorless oil, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} +3.4^{\circ}$ (*c* 0.03, CHCl₃). Analysis of HRFABMS revealed a molecular formula of C₁₇H₂₂O₆. Its IR spectrum (KBr) suggested the presence of an ester carbonyl (1746 cm⁻¹) and a ketone carbonyl (1724 cm⁻¹) group. The presence of a conjugated homoannular diene system in **1** was indicated by UV absorption at λ_{max} (log ϵ) 262 nm (3.26) and ¹H NMR [δ 5.50 (H-1), 5.89 (H-2), 5.95 (H-3)]. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra also showed signals due to an acetoxy methyl (δ_{H} 2.12, 4.58, 4.78, δ_{C} 21.0, 66.3, 171.0), a methyl on a quaternary carbon (δ_{H} 1.14, δ_{C} 25.7, 42.4), a methine (δ_{H} 2.58, δ_{C} 40.3), two methylenes [δ_{H} 1.68 (H-6 β), 2.49 (H-6 α), 2.56 (H-9 β), 2.78 (H-9 α); δ_{C} 38.2, 49.3], and a ketone [δ_{C} 207.7]. The COSY correlation (H-5 to H₂-6) and HMBC correlations (H₃-14 to C-1, C-5, C-9, and C-10; H-5 to C-3, C-4, C-6, C-7, and C-15; H₂-9 to C-1, C-5, C-7, C-8, C-10, and C-14; H₂-6 to C-4, C-5, C-7, C-8, and C-11) confirmed the relationships of the protons and carbons on the rings A and B. The presence of a 3-hydroxy-2-propanone side chain was indicated by the following spectral data: ¹H NMR δ 2.40 (H-13), 4.55 (H-11), 3.62 (OH-11); ¹³C NMR 28.0 (C-13), 78.7 (C-11), 206.2 (C-12). HMBC correlations from H-13 to C-11 and C-12; H-11 to C-7 and C-8; H₂-6 to C-4, C-5, C-7, C-8, and C-11; H₂-9 to C-1, C-5, C-7, C-8, C-10, and C-14; and H-5 to C-3, C-4, C-6, C-7, and C-15 confirmed the attachment of the 3-hydroxy-2-propanone side chain at C-7. The relative stereochemistry at C-5, C-7, C-10 was established by NOESY correlations from H-5 to H₃-14, H-6 α , and H-11; and from H-11 to H-6 α , H-9 α , and H-13.

The *cis* stereochemistry between the angular C-5 and C-10 positions for **1–8** was different from the *trans* form of eudesmanolides found in higher plants.^{6–11} Tubipolide B (**2**), tubipolide G (**7**), and spiro-tubipolide exhibited cytotoxicity against the P-388 cell line with ED₅₀ values of 3.69, 4.01, and 3.24 $\mu\text{g/mL}$, respectively.

Experimental Section

General Experimental Procedures. Melting points were determined using a Yanagimoto micromelting point apparatus and are reported uncorrected. Optical rotations were determined on a JASCO DIP-181 polarimeter. UV spectra were obtained on a Shimadzu UV-160A spectrophotometer, and IR spectra were recorded on a Hitachi 26-30 spectrophotometer. The NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance 300 NMR spectrometer at 300 MHz for ¹H and 75 MHz for ¹³C, respectively, in CDCl₃ using TMS as internal standard. EIMS spectra were obtained with a JEOL JMS-SX/SX 102A mass spectrometer at 70 eV. Silica gel 60 (Merck, 230–400 mesh) was used for column chromatography; pre-coated silica gel plates (Merck, Kieselgel 60 F₂₅₄, 0.25 mm) were used for TLC analysis.

Animal Material. The stolonifer *T. musica* was collected at Green Island, off Taiwan, in September 1999, at a depth of 20 m and was stored for 2 days in a freezer until extraction. A voucher specimen, NSUGN-032, was deposited in the

Table 1. ^1H NMR Spectral Data^a of **1–8** in CDCl_3

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	5.66 d (9.0)	5.49 d (9.6)	5.83 d (9.5)	5.64 d (9.6)	4.70 dd (7.8, 1.8)	4.47 dd (7.8, 1.2)	5.54 d (9.0)	5.50 br d (9.3)
2	6.02 dd (9.0, 5.2)	5.95 dd (9.6, 5.2)	5.87 dd (9.5, 5.0)	5.85 dd (9.3, 5.1)	6.14 d (7.8)	6.06 d (7.8)	5.93 dd (9.0, 5.1)	5.89 dd (9.3, 5.4)
3	6.00 br d (5.2)	5.71 br d (5.2)	5.95 d (5.0)	5.70 br d (5.1)	6.24 br s	6.25 br s	5.98 br d (5.1)	5.95 br d (5.4)
5	1.89 dd (13.2, 4.8)	1.73 dd (13.4, 4.8)	1.86 dd (13.5, 4.0)	1.72 dd (15.2, 4.5)	1.78 m	2.26 dd (13.5, 4.0)	2.25 dd (16.5, 4.3)	2.58 m
6α	2.85 dd (13.2, 4.8)	2.80 dd (13.4, 4.8)	2.65 dd (13.5, 4.0)	2.65 dd (15.2, 4.5)	2.72 m	2.74 t (13.5)	2.78 dd (16.5, 4.3)	2.49 dd (12.9, 4.2)
6β	2.11 t (13.2)	2.03 t (13.4)	2.37 t (13.5)	2.33 t (15.2)	2.72 m	2.82 dd (13.5, 4.0)	2.45 t (16.5)	1.68 t (12.9)
8	4.66 m	4.67 dd (12.6, 6.0)						
9α	1.25 t (12.6)	1.22 t (12.6)	1.59 d (13.8)	1.60 d (14.1)	1.49 d (14.1)	5.65 s	5.54 s	2.78 d (13.5)
9β	2.47 dd (12.6, 5.7)	2.43 dd (12.6, 6.0)	2.50 d (13.8)	2.47 d (14.1)	2.38 d (14.1)			2.56 d (13.5)
11								4.55 d (4.8)
13	1.82 br s	1.84 br s	1.79 br s	1.85 br s	1.87 br s	1.91 br s	1.88 br s	2.40 s
14	0.98 s	0.99 s	0.96 s	1.00 s	1.24 s	1.39 s	1.11 s	1.14 s
15	4.66 m	1.86 br s	4.58 d (13.0)	1.87 br s	1.74 br s	1.75 br s	4.60 d (13.2)	4.58 d (12.8)
			4.64 d (13.0)				4.71 d (13.2)	4.78 d (12.8)
OAc	2.12 s		2.06 s					2.12 s
OH-7								4.14 s
OH-11								3.62 br d (4.8)

^a Chemical shift assignment was confirmed by DEPT, COST, HMBC, and HSQC experiments. ^b *J* values (in Hz) in parentheses.

Table 2. ^{13}C NMR Spectral Data^a (δ) of **1–8** in CDCl_3

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	134.4 d	130.9 d	37.2 d	133.2 d	112.3 d	110.0 d	132.4 d	134.4 d
2	123.8 d	124.0 d	120.7 d	121.9 d	139.9 d	138.7 d	132.4 d	123.5 d
3	121.0 d	117.9 d	121.7 d	118.2 d	139.6 d	139.3 d	121.4 d	121.6 d
4	136.7 s	139.6 s	133.8 s	136.7 s	118.0 s	118.8 s	135.0 s	135.3 s
5	43.4 d	47.7 d	44.9 d	49.2 d	54.3 d	50.2 d	41.1 d	40.3 d
6	27.1 t	45.5 t	25.6 t	25.2 t	27.9 t	26.1 t	23.8 t	38.2 t
7	160.1 s	160.9 s	158.9 s	159.0 s	159.7 s	148.0 s	149.1 s	80.7 s
8	78.4 d	78.8 d	103.2 s	103.0 s	102.9 s	149.0 s	147.4 s	207.7 s
9	45.4 t	26.9 t	48.9 t	49.1 t	51.4 t	117.4 d	112.8 d	49.3 t
10	36.5 s	36.5 s	36.5 s	36.5 s	39.0 s	40.1 s	37.1 s	42.4 s
11	119.6 s	110.8 s	121.3 s	121.2 s	122.1 s	120.6 s	120.6 s	78.7 d
12	175.0 s	176.0 s	172.5 s	172.0 s	171.9 s	171.3 s	171.0 s	206.2 s
13	8.3 q	8.3 q	8.3 q	8.3 q	8.3 q	8.5 q	8.5 q	28.0 q
14	24.6 q	24.9 q	25.2 q	25.6 q	31.2 q	30.5 q	25.3 q	25.7 q
15	66.1 t	22.4 q	66.4 t	22.2 q	21.5 q	21.4 q	66.0 t	66.3 t
OAc	20.9 q		20.9 q				20.9 q	21.0 q
	170.8 s		171.1 s				170.8 s	171.0 s

^a Chemical shift assignment was confirmed by DEPT, COST, HMBC, and HSQC experiments.

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Extraction and Isolation. The bodies of the stolonifer *T. musica* were freeze-dried to give 0.56 kg of a solid, which was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2.0 L \times 3). After removal of solvent in vacuo, the residue (12.4 g) was subjected to silica gel column chromatography using *n*-hexane, *n*-hexane- CH_2Cl_2 (5:1 to 1:5), CH_2Cl_2 , CH_2Cl_2 -EtOAc (5:1 to 1:1), EtOAc, and acetone as eluting solvents. The collected fractions were evaporated in vacuo and examined by TLC. Homogeneous fractions, showing similar spots on TLC, were pooled to give 10 major fractions (F1–F10). Fraction F5 [0.41 g, eluted from CH_2Cl_2 -EtOAc (5:1)] was further fractionated on a open column of silica gel to give **1** [4 mg, eluted from CH_2Cl_2 -acetone (6:1)] and **8** [3 mg, eluted from CH_2Cl_2 -acetone (5:1)]. Fraction F4 (6.15 g, eluted from CH_2Cl_2) was further subjected to silica gel CC using CH_2Cl_2 , CH_2Cl_2 -EtOAc, EtOAc, and acetone as eluting solvent to give six subfractions (F4.1–F4.6). Subfraction F4.2 [0.90 g, eluted from CH_2Cl_2 -EtOAc (20:1)] was further chromatographed to give **6** [2 mg, eluted from *n*-hexanes-EtOAc (10:1)]. Subfraction F4.4 [1.04 g, eluted from CH_2Cl_2 -acetone (5:1)] was further subjected to an open column of silica gel to give spirobipolide [3 mg, eluted from *n*-hexanes-EtOAc (2:1)], **7** [2 mg, eluted from *n*-hexanes-EtOAc (1:1)], **2** [3 mg, eluted from *n*-hexanes-EtOAc (1:2)], and **3** (4 mg, eluted from EtOAc). Subfraction F4.5 [1.18 g, eluted from CH_2 -

Cl_2 -acetone (2:1)] was chromatographed further to give **4** [2 mg, eluted from *n*-hexanes-EtOAc (5:3)], **8** [2 mg, eluted from *n*-hexanes-EtOAc (5:4)], and **5** [3 mg, eluted from *n*-hexanes-EtOAc (1:1)].

Tubipolide A (1): colorless oil (4 mg); $[\alpha]_D^{25} -72.4^\circ$ (*c* 0.03, CHCl_3); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 226 (4.26), 262 (3.08) nm; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 1746 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR, see Table 1; ^{13}C NMR, see Table 2; EIMS m/z 288 $[\text{M}]^+$ (9), 256 (6), 246 (5), 228 (30), 215 (18), 213 (28), 199 (29), 185 (24), 171 (23), 129 (27), 118 (58), 105 (100); HREIMS m/z 288.1361 (calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_4$, 288.1356).

Tubipolide B (2): colorless oil (3 mg); $[\alpha]_D^{25} -51.6^\circ$ (*c* 0.02, CHCl_3); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 225 (4.20), 266 (3.12) nm; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 1747 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR, see Table 1; ^{13}C NMR, see Table 2; EIMS m/z 230 $[\text{M}]^+$ (37), 215 (12), 202 (2), 197 (7), 185 (14), 170 (12), 162 (30), 128 (13), 124 (29), 119 (100); HREIMS m/z 230.1307 (calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_2$, 230.1302).

Tubipolide C (3): colorless oil (4 mg); $[\alpha]_D^{25} -79.7^\circ$ (*c* 0.05, CHCl_3); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 236 (4.28), 268 (3.13) nm; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3504, 1747 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR, see Table 1; ^{13}C NMR, see Table 2; EIMS m/z 304 $[\text{M}]^+$ (4), 286 (1), 256 (1), 245 (5), 244 (19), 227 (23), 226 (63), 213 (44), 211 (46), 198 (63), 183 (32), 171 (39), 155 (40), 141 (22), 118 (100); HREIMS m/z 304.1308 (calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{O}_5$, 304.1305).

Tubipolide D (4): colorless oil (2 mg); $[\alpha]_D^{25} -29.6^\circ$ (*c* 0.04, CHCl_3); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 235 (4.29), 262 (3.16) nm; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3461, 1743 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR, see Table 1; ^{13}C NMR,

see Table 2; EIMS m/z 246 $[M]^+$ (41), 229 (10), 228 (321), 213 (49), 200 (25), 199 (14), 186 (17), 185 (100), 173 (21), 157 (60), 142 (21), 127 (28), 120 (54), 119 (65), 105 (95), 77 (44); HREIMS m/z 246.1258 (calcd for $C_{15}H_{18}O_3$, 246.1251).

Tubipolide E (5): colorless oil (2 mg); $[\alpha]^{25}_D +7.0^\circ$ (c 0.04, $CHCl_3$); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 242 (4.28) nm; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 3556, 1746 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR, see Table 1; ^{13}C NMR, see Table 2; EIMS m/z 262 $[M]^+$ (25), 244 (4), 229 (3), 216 (4), 215 (3), 201 (5), 189 (4), 178 (6), 162 (9), 146 (24), 95 (100); HREIMS m/z 262.1202 (calcd for $C_{15}H_{18}O_4$, 262.1200).

Tubipolide F (6): colorless oil (2 mg); $[\alpha]^{25}_D -8.7^\circ$ (c 0.03, $CHCl_3$); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 246 (4.24) nm; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 1739 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR, see Table 1; ^{13}C NMR, see Table 2; EIMS m/z 244 $[M]^+$ (16), 229 (27), 216 (8), 215 (20), 213 (13), 201 (18), 188 (7), 187 (14), 174 (6), 173 (30), 162 (66), 149 (42), 134 (59), 128 (29), 105 (35), 91 (90), 77 (59), 53 (100); HREIMS m/z 244.1096 (calcd for $C_{15}H_{16}O_3$, 244.1095).

Tubipolide G (7): colorless oil (2 mg); $[\alpha]^{25}_D +22.6^\circ$ (c 0.02, $CHCl_3$); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 246 (4.24), 263 (3.27) nm; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 1742 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR, see Table 1; ^{13}C NMR, see Table 2; EIMS m/z 271 $[M - 15]^+$ (1), 256 (2), 244 (3), 226 (19), 214 (18), 213 (100), 212 (31), 211 (70), 198 (16), 197 (20), 185 (17), 183 (22), 156 (25), 141 (20), 128 (22), 115 (28), 91 (20); HRFABMS m/z 287.1284 (calcd for $C_{17}H_{19}O_4$, 287.1278).

Tubiporone (8): colorless oil (2 mg); $[\alpha]^{25}_D +3.4^\circ$ (c 0.03, $CHCl_3$); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} (log ϵ) 262 (3.26) nm; IR (KBr) ν_{max} 1724, 1746 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR, see Table 1; ^{13}C NMR, see Table 2; EIMS m/z 322 $[M]^+$ (1), 304 (1), 279 (3), 263 (19), 219 (18), 201 (27), 189 (38), 173 (26), 159 (28), 145 (43), 131 (33), 119 (64), 105 (86), 91 (100), 77 (65); HRFABMS m/z 323.1491 (calcd for $C_{17}H_{23}O_6$, 323.1488).

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