# Cytotoxic Biscembranes from the Soft Coral Sarcophyton glaucum 

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Seven new tetracyclic biscembranes $(\mathbf{1}-\mathbf{7})$ have been isolated from the soft coral Sarcophyton glaucum. Four (1-4) may be formed biogenetically by a Diels-Alder reaction of $\Delta^{4(5)}$ and $\Delta^{8(9)}$ geometrical isomers of methyl sarcoate and $\Delta^{21(34),} 35(36)$ dienes, including two with a tetrahydrofuran ring between C-27 and C-30 $(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{4})$, and three biscembranes (5-7) are probably derived from methyl sarcoate isomers with $\Delta^{1(14), 4(5), 8(9)}$ and a cembrane diene. Their structures were established on the basis of spectroscopic methods. Six of them ( $\mathbf{1}-\mathbf{5}, \mathbf{7}$ ) exhibited weak cytotoxic activity against proliferation of human promyelocytic leukemia cells (HL-60).

The soft corals of the genus Sarcophyton (family Alcyoniidae) are well known as a rich source of cembrane dimers exhibiting a wide range of biological activities. ${ }^{1}$ Nineteen kinds of unusual biscembranes have been isolated so far from S. glaucum, S. tortuosum, and $S$. latum. ${ }^{2-10}$ In the course of our studies of the bioactive cembrane constituents of the soft coral Sarcophyton glaucum, collected in Kagoshima Prefecture, ${ }^{11,12}$ Japan, we isolated four new cembranes, named bisglaucumlides A-D, with different double-bond geometries at C-4 and C-8. ${ }^{8}$ Bisglaucumlides C and D exhibited weak cytotoxicity against the growth of HL-60. Further investigation of the dichloromethane extract has led to the isolation of seven new biscembranes, bisglaucumlides $\mathrm{E}-\mathrm{K}(\mathbf{1} \mathbf{- 7})$. We report the isolation and structure elucidation of these new compounds.

Bisglaucumlide E (1) was isolated as an amorphous powder and had a molecular formula of $\mathrm{C}_{41} \mathrm{H}_{60} \mathrm{O}_{9}$, established by HRFABMS spectrometry $\left(\mathrm{m} / z 697.4314,[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}\right)$, which suggested a possible isomer of bisglaucumlide A. Comparison of the NMR data with those of bisglaucumlides $\mathrm{A}-\mathrm{D}$ revealed the greatest similarities to the NMR data of bisglaucumlide C, except for the lack of an acetyl group in $\mathbf{1}$. This was supported by the fact that the chemical shift of H-32 ( $\delta 3.55,1 \mathrm{H}$, overlapped) was shifted upfield by 1.46 ppm when compared with that of bisglaucumlide C. The relative configuration of $\mathbf{1}$ was elucidated by the similarity of the NOE spectrum to that of bisglaucumlide C: H-4 ( $\delta 6.22,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}) / \mathrm{H}-2(\delta$ $3.94,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=8.7 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), Me-19 ( $\delta 1.92,3 \mathrm{H}$, br s), H-36b ( $\delta 1.98$, $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=18.4 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ); H-7a ( $\delta 2.57,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=14.2,8.7 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ) Me-18 ( $\delta 1.80,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{br} \mathrm{s})$; $\mathrm{H}-7 \mathrm{~b}(\delta 2.13,1 \mathrm{H}$, overlapped)/Me-19; $\mathrm{H}-8(\delta 6.34,1 \mathrm{H}$, br t, $J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}) / \mathrm{H}-6 \mathrm{a}(\delta 3.86,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), \mathrm{H}-11 \mathrm{a}(\delta$ $3.06,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=14.2,8.7 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), H-12 ( $\delta 2.76,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ), Me-19; COOMe ( $\delta 3.54,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}) / \mathrm{Me}-16(\delta 0.89,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=6.7 \mathrm{~Hz})$, Me$17(\delta 0.92,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=6.7 \mathrm{~Hz}), \mathrm{H}-22(\delta 4.73,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=11.2 \mathrm{~Hz})$. Thus, the structure of $\mathbf{1}$ was depicted as shown and is the 32-desacetyl derivative of bisglaucumlide C .

Bisglaucumlide F (2) was obtained as an amorphous powder with the molecular formula $\mathrm{C}_{43} \mathrm{H}_{62} \mathrm{O}_{10}$ and is an isomer of bisglaucumlides $B-D$. While resonances due to rings $B, C$, and $D$ in the ${ }^{1} H$ NMR spectrum were similar to those of bisglaucumlides B-D, only resonances due to the A ring were somewhat different from each other. In the ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectrum, the $E$ geometry at C-4 and the $Z$ geometry at C-8 were evident from the chemical shifts of C-19 ( $\delta_{\mathrm{C}} 20.7$ ) and C-18 ( $\delta_{\mathrm{C}} 21.5$ ), respectively, the latter of which was

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downfield shifted by 9.7 ppm when compared to that of bisglaucumlide C, which has an $8 E$ geometry. This was also supported by the NOE correlations of $\mathrm{Me}-19(\delta 2.09,3 \mathrm{H}$, br s) to $\mathrm{H}-6 \mathrm{a}(\delta 2.15$, $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m})$ and of $\mathrm{Me}-18(\delta 2.01,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{br}$ s) to $\mathrm{H}-8(\delta 5.62,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=$ 8.0 Hz ). The major conformation of the A ring was confirmed by interpretation of the NOE correlations (Figure 1). Thus, Me-41 ( $\delta$ $3.52,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}$ ) was correlated to $\mathrm{H}-2(\delta 3.69,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), Me-16 ( $\delta 0.79,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=6.9 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), and Me-17 ( $\delta 0.99,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=$ 6.8 Hz ), indicating that $\mathrm{H}-2$, the isopropyl group, and Me-41 were $\beta$-oriented. NOE correlations from H-4 ( $\delta 5.66,1 \mathrm{H}$, s) to H-6a and $\mathrm{H}-7 \mathrm{~b}(\delta 2.40,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), \mathrm{H}-8$ to $\mathrm{H}-6 \mathrm{~b}(\delta 2.08,1 \mathrm{H}$, overlapped) and $\mathrm{H}-6 \mathrm{a}$, Me-18 to $\mathrm{H}-11 \mathrm{~b}$ ( $\delta 2.08,1 \mathrm{H}$, overlapped), and $\mathrm{H}-11 \mathrm{a}$ ( $\delta$ $3.05,1 \mathrm{H}$, dd, $J=14.8,10.9 \mathrm{~Hz})$ to Me-16 were observed. With respect to the configuration of rings $\mathrm{B}-\mathrm{D}$, it was established to be similar to those of bisglaucumlides $B-D$ by the signal patterns and the coupling constants in the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectrum and NOE


Figure 1. Selected NOE correlations of 2.


Figure 2. Selected NOE correlations of 3.
experiments. This is the first report of the isolation of a biscembrane possessing $4 E$ and $8 Z$ geometries.

Bisglaucumlide $\mathrm{G}(\mathbf{3})$ was isolated as a viscous oil with the molecular formula $\mathrm{C}_{41} \mathrm{H}_{60} \mathrm{O}_{9}$ and was isomeric with bisglaucumlides $A$ and $E(\mathbf{1})$. Though resonances due to rings $A$ and $B$ in the NMR spectra were similar to those of bisglaucumlide $A$, the carbon chemical shifts due to rings C and D were drastically shifted. Thus, the chemical shifts of C-26, C-27, and C-30 were found to be at $\delta$ $74.6,84.8$, and 87.6 , respectively, while the corresponding signals in bisglaucumlide A were shifted at $\delta 85.1,69.9$, and 69.3 , respectively. This implied the formation of an ether ring linkage between C-27 and C-30. The relative configuration of rings A and B was elucidated to be the same as those of bisglaucumlide A by the interpretation of the NOESY data, though an NOE correlation between $\mathrm{H}-2(\delta 4.02,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz})$ and the carbomethoxy methyl protons ( $\delta 3.57,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}$, Me-41) was not observed. Thus, Me-41 indicated NOE correlations to $\mathrm{Me}-16$ ( $\delta 0.80,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=$ 6.8 Hz ) and Me-17 ( $\delta 0.96,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), suggesting that the carbomethoxy group and the isopropyl group were situated on the same $\beta$ face of the molecule. NOE correlations of H-4 ( $\delta 6.05$, 1 H , br s) to $\mathrm{H}-2, \mathrm{H}-6 \mathrm{~b}(\delta 2.30,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}), \mathrm{H}-7 \mathrm{~b}(\delta 2.41,1 \mathrm{H}$, overlapped), and H-8 ( $\delta 6.24,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$ ) were found. Furthermore, NOE correlations between $\mathrm{H}-7 \mathrm{a}(\delta 2.53,1 \mathrm{H}$, overlapped) and Me18 ( $\delta 1.73,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{br}$ s), between $\mathrm{H}-8$ and $\mathrm{H}-11(\delta 3.45,1 \mathrm{H}$, dd, $J=$ $13.7,5.7 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), between $\mathrm{H}-12(\delta 2.54,1 \mathrm{H}$, overlapped) and $\mathrm{H}-14 \mathrm{a}$ ( $\delta 3.30,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=19.1 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), and between $\mathrm{H}-14 \mathrm{~b}(\delta 2.01,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}$, $J=19.1 \mathrm{~Hz})$ and $\mathrm{H}-21(\delta 3.63,1 \mathrm{H}$, br d, $J=11.0 \mathrm{~Hz})$ were observed. Therefore, this suggested that $\mathrm{H}-2$ had a $\beta$-orientation and $\mathrm{H}-21$ had an $\alpha$-orientation. The relative configuration of rings C and D was also elucidated as depicted in Figure 2. NOE correlations between $\mathrm{H}-21$ and $\mathrm{H}-32(\delta 3.49,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m})$ suggested that H-32 was $\alpha$-oriented. The Me-38 ( $\delta 1.74,3 \mathrm{H}$, br s) showed NOE correlations to $\mathrm{H}-21, \mathrm{H}-24 \mathrm{~b}$ ( $\delta 2.13,1 \mathrm{H}$, overlapped), and $\mathrm{H}-26(\delta 3.38,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{br} \mathrm{d}, J=6.8 \mathrm{~Hz})$, the latter of which was also correlated to $\mathrm{Me}-40$ ( $\delta 1.17,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{br}$ s), indicating an $\alpha$-configurations of H-26 and Me-40. NOE correlations of Me-39 ( $\delta 1.15,3 \mathrm{H}$, br s) to $\mathrm{H}-30(\delta 4.06,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=7.4 \mathrm{~Hz})$ and $\mathrm{H}-28 \mathrm{~b}(\delta 1.65,1 \mathrm{H}$, overlapped) and of $\mathrm{H}-30$ to $\mathrm{H}-28 \mathrm{~b}$ suggested $\beta$-configurations of $\mathrm{H}-30$ and Me-39. NOE correlations of H-22 ( $\delta 5.26,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=$ 11.0 Hz ) to $\mathrm{H}-24$ a ( $\delta 2.46$ ), $\mathrm{H}-25 \mathrm{a}$ ( $\delta 1.89$ ), and Me-41 were also observed. Therefore, bisglaucumlide G was assigned the structure shown for 3 . This is the third isolation of a biscembrane containing a tetrahydrofuran ring between $\mathrm{C}-27$ and $\mathrm{C}-30 .{ }^{10}$

Bisglaucumlide H (4) was isolated as a viscous oil possessing the molecular formula $\mathrm{C}_{41} \mathrm{H}_{60} \mathrm{O}_{9}$. The ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectrum was similar to that of $\mathbf{3}$, except that resonances due to the A ring were somewhat different. The Me-18 and $\mathrm{Me}-19$ in the ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR resonated at $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}$ 20.5 and $\delta_{\mathrm{C}} 27.5$, respectively, suggesting the $4 Z, 8 Z$-geometry, as for bisglaucumlide C. This was further supported by NOE correlations between Me-18 ( $\delta 1.88,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{br}$ s) and H-8 ( $\delta 5.51,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J$ $=8.2 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), and between Me-19 ( $\delta 1.87,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{br} \mathrm{s})$ and $\mathrm{H}-4(\delta 6.27$, $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{br} \mathrm{s})$. The signal patterns and coupling constants due to rings $B, C$, and $D$ in the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectrum were almost the same as those of 3. Therefore, the structure of bisglaucumlide H was assigned as 4.

Bisglaucumlide I (5) was obtained as a viscous oil with the molecular formula $\mathrm{C}_{41} \mathrm{H}_{60} \mathrm{O}_{9}$. The ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectrum was very similar to that of $\mathbf{1}$; however, the signal patterns and the chemical shifts due to $\mathrm{H}-2$ and $\mathrm{H}-14$ were drastically changed (Table 1). In the HMBC spectrum (Figure 3), methylene protons ( $\delta 2.35$ and $3.15, \mathrm{AB}, J=19.0 \mathrm{~Hz})$ and $\mathrm{H}-4(\delta 6.07,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s})$ were correlated to $\mathrm{C}-3(\delta 199.6) . \mathrm{H}-12(\delta 3.08,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m})$ and a proton at $\delta 3.89(1 \mathrm{H}$, d, $J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ) showed HMBC correlations to C-13 ( $\delta 214.0$ ). The latter proton was also correlated to C-35 ( $\delta 128.6$ ) and C-36 ( $\delta$ 32.1). Therefore, the methylene protons and the $\delta 3.89$ proton were assigned as $\mathrm{H}-2$ and $\mathrm{H}-14$, respectively. The configuration of the $\mathrm{A}-\mathrm{B}$ ring juncture was determined as cis by the interpretation of the NOESY spectrum. Thus, an NOE between H-12 and H-14 indicated that both hydrogens were situated on the same $\alpha$ face of the molecule. The carbomethoxy methyl protons ( $\delta 3.55,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}$ ) were correlated to H-22 ( $\delta 4.70,1 \mathrm{H}$, br d, $J=11.6 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), suggesting that the carbomethoxy group had an $\alpha$-orientation. The $\Delta^{4(5)} Z$ and $\Delta^{8(9)} E$ configurations were established by the chemical shifts of C-19 ( $\delta 24.9$ ) and C-18 ( $\delta 11.3$ ), respectively. The configurations of the chiral centers in rings $B-D$ were confirmed to be the same as that of $\mathbf{1}$ by comparing the NMR data with those of $\mathbf{1}$. Bisglaucumlide I was assumed to be biogenetically formed by the Diels-Alder reaction of methyl sarcophytoate isomer $\mathbf{8}$ with the diene 9, as depicted in Figure 4.

Bisglaucumlide J (6) was isolated as an amorphous powder with the molecular formula $\mathrm{C}_{43} \mathrm{H}_{62} \mathrm{O}_{10}$ and found to have a similar ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectrum to that of $\mathbf{5}$ except for an additional acetyl group. The acetoxy group was determined to be positioned at C-32, and the chemical shift of $\mathrm{H}-32(\delta 5.06,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=11.4 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ) was downfield shifted by 1.51 ppm when compared to that of 5 . Therefore, the structure of bisglaucumlide J was shown as 6 .

Bisglaucumlide K (7) was isolated as an amorphous powder with the molecular formula $\mathrm{C}_{43} \mathrm{H}_{62} \mathrm{O}_{10}$ and was an isomer of 6 . The signal patterns and chemical shifts of rings B-D in the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectrum were very similar to those of $\mathbf{5}$ and $\mathbf{6}$. Resonances due to ring A were in good agreement with those of $\mathbf{3}$, namely, the presence of $E$ geometries at C-4 and C-8, which was confirmed by the chemical shifts of C-19 ( $\delta 18.2$ ) and C-18 ( $\delta 11.2$ ). The configuration of the chiral centers was determined to be the same as that of 6 on comparing the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H},{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$, and NOESY spectral data with those of 6 . Therefore, the structure of bisglaucumlide K was established to be 7. The lack of several chemical shifts in the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ spectra and correlations in the HMQC and HMBC spectra was observed, which was probably due to a slow conformational interconversion of 7 .

The absolute configurations of the new compounds were shown in structures 1 and $3-7$, because the CD spectra of $\mathbf{1}, 4,5$, and $\mathbf{6}$, and $\mathbf{3}$ and 7 were similar to those of bisglaucumlides $C$ and $A$, respectively. It is assumed that 2 also has the same absolute configuration as the other compounds due to their biogenetic relationship.

Bisglaucumlides $\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{K}$ represent the second isolation of biscembranes probably derived from a methyl sarcoate isomer with a $\Delta 1(14), 4(5), 8(9)$ and $\Delta 21(34), 35(36)$ cembrane diene. ${ }^{9}$ The presence of a carbomethoxy group in biscembranes isolated so far
Table 1. NMR Spectral Data ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) for $\mathbf{1}-\mathbf{7}^{a}$

| position | 1 |  | 2 |  | 3 |  | 4 |  | 5 |  | 6 |  | 7 |  |
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|  | $\delta_{\text {C }}$ | $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}(J$ in Hz$)$ | $\delta_{\text {C }}$ | $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}(J$ in Hz$)$ | $\delta_{\text {C }}$ | $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}(J$ in Hz$)$ | $\delta_{\text {C }}$ | $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}(J$ in Hz$)$ | $\delta_{\text {C }}$ | $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}(J$ in Hz$)$ | $\delta_{\text {C }}$ | $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}(J$ in Hz$)$ | $\delta_{\text {C }}$ | $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}(J$ in Hz$)$ |
| 1 | 48.0 |  | 47.2 |  | 48.1 |  | 50.1 |  | 47.6 |  | 48.1 |  | c |  |
| 2 | 47.1 | 3.94 d (8.7) | 46.2 | 3.69 d (8.5) | 46.9 | 4.02 d (8.0) | 45.4 | 3.63, br t (7.7) | 49.3 | 3.15 d (19.0) | 49.3 | 3.10 d 19.2 | 50.2 | 2.92 br d (15.2) |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2.35 d (19.0) |  | 2.69 d 19.2 |  | 2.56 br d (15.2) |
| 3 | 201.7 |  | 202.6 |  | 205.0 |  | 202.2 |  | 199.6 | 6.07 s | 198.9 | 6.07 s | 196.9 | 5.55 br s |
| 4 | 126.7 | 6.22 s | 124.6 | 5.66 s | 127.0 | 6.05 br s | 125.4 | 6.27 br s | 125.9 |  | 125.5 |  | 124.5 |  |
| 5 | 157.2 |  | 158.8 |  | 159.3 |  | 161.0 |  | 156.1 | 2.03 m | 156.6 | $2.01{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 155.2 | 2.38 m |
| 6a | 30.2 | 3.86 m | 39.2 | 2.15 m | 39.6 | $2.41{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 35.0 | $\begin{aligned} & 2.79 \mathrm{dt}(10.2,2.9) \\ & 1.97^{b} \end{aligned}$ | 30.4 | 3.79 dt (12.5, 2.6) | 30.7 | $3.80 \mathrm{dt}(2.5,12.8)$ | 40.0 | 2.48 m |
| 6b |  | $2.07{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | $2.08{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | 2.30 m |  |  |  | 2.51 m |  | 2.55 m |  | 2.09 m |
| 7 a | 26.1 | $2.57 \mathrm{dd}(14.2,8.7)$ | 26.7 | 2.79 m | 25.1 | $2.53{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 27.6 | 2.37 m | 26.2 | 2.25 m | 25.9 | 2.21 m | 25.3 | . |
| 7 b |  | $2.13{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | 2.40 m |  | $2.41{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | 2.10 m | 141.6 | 6.40 t (7.5) | 141.6 | 6.43 t (7.5) | 142.0 | 6.61 br s |
| 8 | 141.4 | 6.34 br t (7.3) | 140.3 | 5.62 t (8.0) | 141.4 | 6.24 m | 132.4 | 5.51 t (8.2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9 | 138.3 |  | 134.9 |  | 137.9 |  | 138.6 |  | 137.2 |  | 136.9 |  | 138.1 |  |
| 10 | 202.4 |  | 204.4 |  | 203.6 |  | 206.5 |  | 200.8 |  | 201.3 |  | 203.9 |  |
| 11a | 35.6 | 3.06 dd (14.2, 8.7) | 37.0 | 3.05 dd (14.8, 10.9) | 33.2 | 3.45 dd (13.7, 5.7) | 40.0 | $3.12 \mathrm{dd}(18.7,9.2)$ | 34.6 | 2.76 dd (15.7, 6.3) | 34.6 | $2.80 \mathrm{dd}(16.2,5.1)$ | c | 3.41 br s |
| 11b |  | $2.09 \mathrm{dd}(14.2,3.1)$ |  | $2.08^{\text {b }}$ |  | $2.01 \mathrm{dd}(13.7,5.1)$ |  | 2.22 d (18.7) |  | 2.61 dd (15.7, 5.7) |  | 2.38 dd (16.2, 5.7) |  | $1.86{ }^{\text {b }}$ |
| 12 | 55.7 | 2.76 m | 53.9 | $2.80 \mathrm{dt}(10.9,3.3)$ | 56.1 | $2.54{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 50.7 | 3.25 m | 55.5 | 3.08 m | 54.8 | 3.03 q (5.9) | 59.0 | c |
| 13 | 212.2 |  | 211.0 |  | 210.7 |  | 211.0 |  | 214.0 |  | 212.6 |  | 212.5 |  |
| 14a | 48.8 | 2.38 d (19.30) | 48.0 | 3.30 d (19.4) | 47.4 | 3.30 d (19.1) | 48.0 | 3.06 d (18.5) | 45.7 | 3.89 d (7.9) | 45.6 | $3.62{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 45.5 | 3.16 m |
| 14 b |  | 3.04 d (19.3) |  | 2.36 d (19.4) |  | 2.01 d (19.1) |  | 2.86 d (18.5) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 | 29.5 | 2.01b | 29.9 | $2.07{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 30.4 | $2.13{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 29.5 | 1.91 m | 28.0 | 2.22 m | 28.1 | $2.15{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 28.3 | 2.16 m |
| 16 | 19.1 | 0.89 d (6.7) | 18.0 | 0.79 d (6.9) | 17.3 | 0.80 d (6.8) | 18.8 | 0.79 d (6.8) | 18.2 | 0.87 d (6.8) | 18.4 | 0.87 d (6.7) | 16.6 | 0.69 d (6.5) |
| 17 | 20.8 | 0.92 d (6.7) | 20.6 | 0.99 d (6.8) | 20.5 | 0.96 d (6.8) | 20.6 | 0.94 d (6.7) | 21.1 | 0.89 d (6.7) | 21.4 | 0.87 d (6.7) | 21.8 | 1.06 br s |
| 18 | 11.4 | 1.80 br s | 21.5 | 2.01 br s | 11.6 | 1.73 br s | 20.5 | 1.88 br s | 11.3 | 1.69 br s | 11.2 | 1.73 br s | 11.2 | 1.75 br s |
| 19 | 24.5 | 1.92 br s | 20.7 | 2.09 br s | 18.7 | 2.09 br s | 27.5 | 1.87 br s | 24.9 | 1.92 br s | 24.9 | 1.90 br s | 18.2 | 2.26 br s |
| 20 | 173.3 |  | 173.8 |  | 173.2 |  | 174.4 |  | 173.4 |  | 174.0 |  | 174.1 |  |
| 21 | 41.1 | $3.64{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 40.2 | 3.42 br d 11.6) | 40.6 | 3.63 br d (11.0) | 46.9 | 3.30 br d (10.6) | 40.3 | 3.58 br d (11.6) | 40.9 | $3.63{ }^{\text {b }}$ | c | 3.29 m |
| 22 | 124.7 | 4.73 d (11.2) | 125.0 | 4.74 d (11,6) | 125.7 | 5.26 d (11.0) | 127.7 | 5.16 d (10.6) | 125.0 | 4.70 d (11.6) | 125.0 | 4.75 d (11.5) | 123.9 | 4.90 d (10.8) |
| 23 | 140.4 |  | 134.9 |  | 138.1 |  | 138.4 |  | 140.1 |  | 140.4 |  | 142.0 |  |
| 24a | 38.9 | $2.41{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 38.4 | 2.44 m | 32.7 | $2.46{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 32.6 | 2.42 m | 39.0 | $2.43{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 38.5 | 2.43 m | 39.0 | $2.42{ }^{\text {b }}$ |
| 24b |  | $1.86{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | $1.85 \mathrm{dt}(3.4,13.7)$ |  | $2.13{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | 2.02 m |  | 1.85 m |  | $1.84 \mathrm{dt}(3.0,12,8)$ |  | $1.84{ }^{\text {b }}$ |
| 25a | 27.0 | $1.87{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 26.5 | $1.95{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 32.2 | $1.89{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 33.6 | $1.98{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 26.9 | $1.87{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 26.5 | 1.93 m | 27.3 | $1.81{ }^{\text {b }}$ |
| 25 b |  | $1.56{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | $1.55 \mathrm{dt}(3.4,13.7)$ |  | $1.65{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | $1.57{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | 1.57 m |  | $1.55{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | 1.58 m at $27^{\circ}$ |
| 26 | 85.1 | $3.64{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 85.2 | 3.69 d (10.9) | 74.6 | 3.38 br d (6.8) | 73.2 | 3.39 br d (9.6) | 85.0 | 3.65 d (8.9) | 85.1 | 3.68 d (9.9) | 85.1 | 3.67 br d (8.3) |
| 27 | 69.9 |  | 69.8 |  | 84.8 |  | 84.7 |  | 69.9 |  | 69.8 |  | 69.8 |  |
| 28a | 31.9 | $1.69{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 31.6 | $1.68{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 36.4 | $2.09{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 36.2 | $2.23{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 31.8 | $1.69{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 31.5 | $1.68{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 31.9 | $1.69{ }^{\text {b }}$ |
| 28 b |  | 1.48 dt ( $4.3,13.4$ ) |  | $1.49 \mathrm{dt}(13.8,4.5)$ |  | $1.65{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | 1.62 m |  | 1.48 dd (13.7, 4.5) |  | $1.49 \mathrm{dt}(5.0,13.9)$ |  | $1.47 \mathrm{dt}(14.1,4.7)$ |
| 29a | 20.1 | $1.72^{\text {b }}$ | 20.0 | $1.71{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 27.4 | $1.89{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 26.7 | $2.23{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 20.0 | 1.73 m | 20.0 | $1.70^{b}$ | 20.2 | $1.73{ }^{\text {b }}$ |
| 29 b |  | $1.57{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | 1.59 m |  | $1.89{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | $1.77^{\text {b }}$ |  | $1.57{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | $1.57{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | 1.61 m |
| 30 | 69.3 | 3.65 m | 69.2 | 3.64 br d (9.5) | 87.6 | 4.06 t (7.4) | 88.0 | 3.99 (10.1, 5.7) | 69.4 | 3.64 d (12.7) | 69.2 | 3.63b | 69.7 | 3.61 brd (10.1) |
| 31 | 75.5 |  | 75.9 |  | 74.7 |  | 75.1 |  | 75.5 |  | 76.0 |  | 75.9 |  |
| 32 | 71.0 | $3.55{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | 5.07 br s | 76.0 | 3.49 m | 73.2 | 3.88 m | 70.8 | $3.55^{\text {b }}$ | 74.7 | 5.06 d (11.4) | 74.7 | $5.02 \mathrm{br} \mathrm{d} \mathrm{(10.8)}$ |
| 33 a | 31.5 | $2.43{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 28.4 | 2.77 m | 32.3 | $2.48{ }^{\text {b }}$ | 37.4 | $\begin{aligned} & 3.03 \mathrm{~b}, \mathrm{~m} \\ & 1.91, \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | 31.4 | $\begin{aligned} & 2.44^{b} \\ & 2.27 \text { br d (13.7) } \end{aligned}$ | 28.6 | $\begin{aligned} & 2.71^{b} \\ & 2.16^{b} \end{aligned}$ | 29.2 | 2.76 br t (13.9) |
| 33 b |  | $2.29{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | 2.14 m |  | $2.36{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2.20 br d (13.9) |
| 34 | 126.0 |  | 124.0 |  | 126.5 |  | 127.7 |  | 125.6 |  | 125.0 |  | 126.3 |  |
| 35 | 127.6 |  | 127.5 |  | 129.3 |  | 128.1 |  | 128.6 |  | 126.9 |  | 128.5 |  |
| 36a | 32.3 | 2.96 dd (18.4, 8.7) | 32.6 | 2.86 br dd (18.3, 8.3) | 32.9 | 2.79 dd (18.3, 8.0) | 33.1 | $2.32 \mathrm{dd}(18.7,7.7)$ | 32.1 | 3.12 m | 31.9 | 2.97 dd (18.7, 9.3) | 34.3 | $c$ |
| 36 b |  | 1.98 d (18.4) |  | 1.74 br d (18.4) |  | $1.93 \mathrm{~b} \mathrm{rd} \mathrm{(18.3)}$ |  | 2.18 m |  | $1.93{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | $1.94{ }^{\text {b }}$ |  | c |
| 37 | 20.0 | 1.69 br s | 19.8 | 1.65 br s | 19.6 | 1.68 br s | 19.2 | 1.71 br s | 19.8 | 1.69 br s | 19.6 | 1.64 br s | 19.7 | 1.66 br s |
| 38 | 19.9 | 1.81 br s | 19.9 | 1.94 br s | 19.7 | 1.74 br s | 20.8 | 1.86 br s | 19.7 | 1.82 br s | 19.9 | 1.98 br s | 19.9 | 1.91 br s |
| 39 | 25.6 | 1.12 s | 25.4 | 1.11 s | 19.3 | 1.15 s | 19.5 | 1.15 br s | 25.5 | 1.11 s | 25.4 | 1.11 s | 25.7 | 1.11 br s |
| 40 | 18.9 | 1.33 s | 18.7 | 1.15 s | 21.4 | 1.17 br s | 18.1 | 1.11 br s | 18.8 | 1.31 | 18.7 | 1.13 s | 18.8 | 1.14 s |
| 41 | 51.2 | 3.54 s | 51.0 | 3.52 s | 51.5 | 3.57 s | 51,1 | 3.56 s | 51.3 | 3.55 s | 51.1 | 3.53 s | 51.4 | 3.54 s |
| Ac |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 20.9, \\ & 170.8 \end{aligned}$ |  |  | C-31, C-32 OH |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 20.6 \\ & 170.6 \end{aligned}$ | 1.99 s | $\begin{aligned} & 20.9 \\ & 170.5 \end{aligned}$ | 2.03 s |



Figure 3. Selected HMBC correlations of 5.


Figure 4. Probable biogenetic pathway for 5.
from the ethanol, ${ }^{2,3}$ acetone, ${ }^{4,9,10}$ dichloromethane, ${ }^{5}$ and ethyl acetate ${ }^{6}$ extracts suggests that the carbomethoxy group of the new biscembranes $\mathbf{1 - 7}$ is not formed during the extraction process. Furthermore, the double-bond geometries did not change during the isolation procedures. Therefore, 1-7 are probably genuine natural products.

The cytotoxic activity of bisglaucumlides $\mathrm{E}-\mathrm{K}$ against proliferation of human promyelocytic leukemia cells (HL-60) was examined, and they exhibited weak activity with the following $\mathrm{IC}_{50}$ values: E $(41.0 \mu \mathrm{M}), \mathrm{F}(13.3 \mu \mathrm{M}), \mathrm{G}(58.0 \mu \mathrm{M}), \mathrm{H}(47.8 \mu \mathrm{M}), \mathrm{I}(44.1 \mu \mathrm{M})$, K ( $29.8 \mu \mathrm{M})$.

## Experimental Section

General experimental procedures, animal material, and initial extraction and isolation procedures have been previously reported. ${ }^{8}$

Isolation. Material ( 6.8 g ) that eluted from a silica gel chromatography column with $1: 19 \mathrm{MeOH}-\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ was chromatographed on silica gel using a gradient of MeOH and $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$. Elution with $\mathrm{MeOH}-\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ (1:49) gave a crude fraction ( 184 mg ), which was finally purified by HPLC (ODS) with $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}-\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ (1:1 to 3:2) to yield compounds $\mathbf{2}(2.7 \mathrm{mg}), \mathbf{6}(1.2 \mathrm{mg})$, and $\mathbf{7}(1.3 \mathrm{mg})$. After the fractions ( 694 mg ) eluted with $\mathrm{MeOH}-\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ (1:19), the material was repeatedly subjected to silica gel chromatography and then HPLC $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}-\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ (9:11 to 3:2) to give compounds $\mathbf{1}(2.8 \mathrm{mg}), \mathbf{3}(3.2 \mathrm{mg})$, $4(1.2 \mathrm{mg})$, and $5(1.3 \mathrm{mg})$.

Bisglaucumlide $\mathbf{E}$ (1): amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}+66.7$ (c 0.12 , $\mathrm{MeOH}) ; \mathrm{UV}(\mathrm{MeOH}) \lambda_{\max }(\log \epsilon) 230 \mathrm{~nm}(4.25) ; \mathrm{CD} \Delta \epsilon_{231}+3.2, \Delta \epsilon_{252}$ -4.9 ; IR (film) $v_{\max } 3503,1732,1709,1661,1615 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR, see Table 1; HRFABMS m/z $697.4314[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$(calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{41} \mathrm{H}_{61} \mathrm{O}_{9}, 697.4316$ ).

Bisglaucumlide F (2): amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}+139$ (c 0.30, $\mathrm{MeOH}) ; \mathrm{UV}(\mathrm{MeOH}) \lambda_{\text {max }}(\log \epsilon) 238 \mathrm{~nm}(4.17) ; \mathrm{CD} \Delta \epsilon_{238}-10.3$; IR (film) $v_{\text {max }} 3459,1734,1713,1678,1613 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR, see Table 1; HRFABMS m/z $739.4423[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$(calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{43} \mathrm{H}_{63} \mathrm{O}_{10}$, 739.4421).

Bisglaucumlide G (3): viscous oil; $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}+125$ (c $\left.0.16, \mathrm{MeOH}\right)$; UV (MeOH) $\lambda_{\text {max }}(\log \epsilon) 232 \mathrm{~nm}(4.25) ; \mathrm{CD} \Delta \epsilon_{226}-3.4, \Delta \epsilon_{247}+4.4$; IR (film) $v_{\text {max }} 3482,1732,1715,1669,1607 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR, see Table 1; HRFABMS $m / z 697.4318[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$(calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{41} \mathrm{H}_{61} \mathrm{O}_{9}$, 697.4316).

Bisglaucumlide H (4): viscous oil; $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}+133$ (c 0.15, MeOH); UV (MeOH) $\lambda_{\text {max }}(\log \epsilon) 237 \mathrm{~nm}$ (4.09); CD $\Delta \epsilon_{254}-6.7$; IR (film) $v_{\text {max }} 3470,1732,1711,1694,1603 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR, see Table 1; HRFABMS m/z 697.4316 [M + H ${ }^{+}$(calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{41} \mathrm{H}_{61} \mathrm{O}_{9}$, 697.4316).
Bisglaucumlide I (5): viscous oil; $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}+84(c 0.05, \mathrm{MeOH})$; UV (MeOH) $\lambda_{\text {max }}(\log \epsilon) 227 \mathrm{~nm}(4.30) ; \mathrm{CD} \Delta \epsilon_{225}+12.8, \Delta \epsilon_{252}-8.4$; IR (film) $\nu_{\text {max }} 3457,1732,1703,1659,1622 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR, see Table 1; HRFABMS $m / z 697.4306[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$(calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{41} \mathrm{H}_{61} \mathrm{O}_{9}$, 697.4316).

Bisglaucumlide J (6): amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}+33$ (c 0.19, $\mathrm{MeOH}) ; \mathrm{UV}(\mathrm{MeOH}) \lambda_{\text {max }}(\log \epsilon) 231 \mathrm{~nm}(4.20) ; \mathrm{CD} \Delta \epsilon_{226}+9.6, \Delta \epsilon_{250}$ -13.8; IR (film) $v_{\max } 3485,1732,1713,1691,1620 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR, see Table 1; HREIMS m/z $738.4340[M]^{+}$(calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{43} \mathrm{H}_{62} \mathrm{O}_{10}$, 738.4343).

Bisglaucumlide K (7): amorphous powder; $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}+95$ (c 0.27, $\mathrm{MeOH}) ; \mathrm{UV}(\mathrm{MeOH}) \lambda_{\max }(\log \epsilon) 231 \mathrm{~nm}(4.20) ; \mathrm{CD} \Delta \epsilon_{230}-5.2, \Delta \epsilon_{249}$ +10.9 ; IR (film) $v_{\text {max }} 3468,1709,1680,1620 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR, see Table 1; HREIMS m/z $739.4426[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$(calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{43} \mathrm{H}_{63} \mathrm{O}_{10}$, 738.4421).

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