

# *m*-Carborane-*C*-carboxylic Acid Esters Derived from Some Terpene Alcohols, Sterols, Plant Phenols, and Oximes of Natural Carbonyl Compounds

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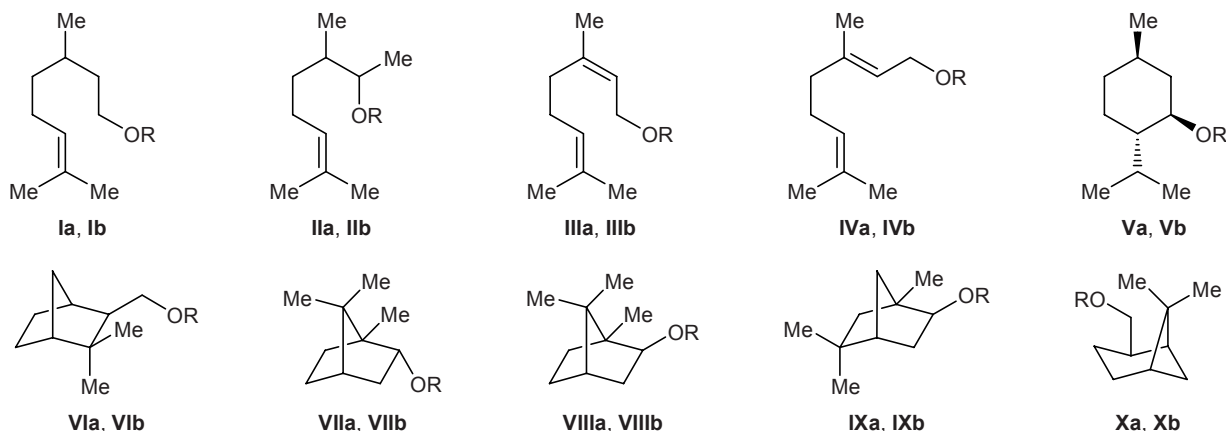
**Abstract**—Previously unknown esters were synthesized by reaction of *m*-carborane-*C*-carbonyl chloride with natural terpene alcohols, sterols, plant phenols, and oximes in the presence of pyridine.

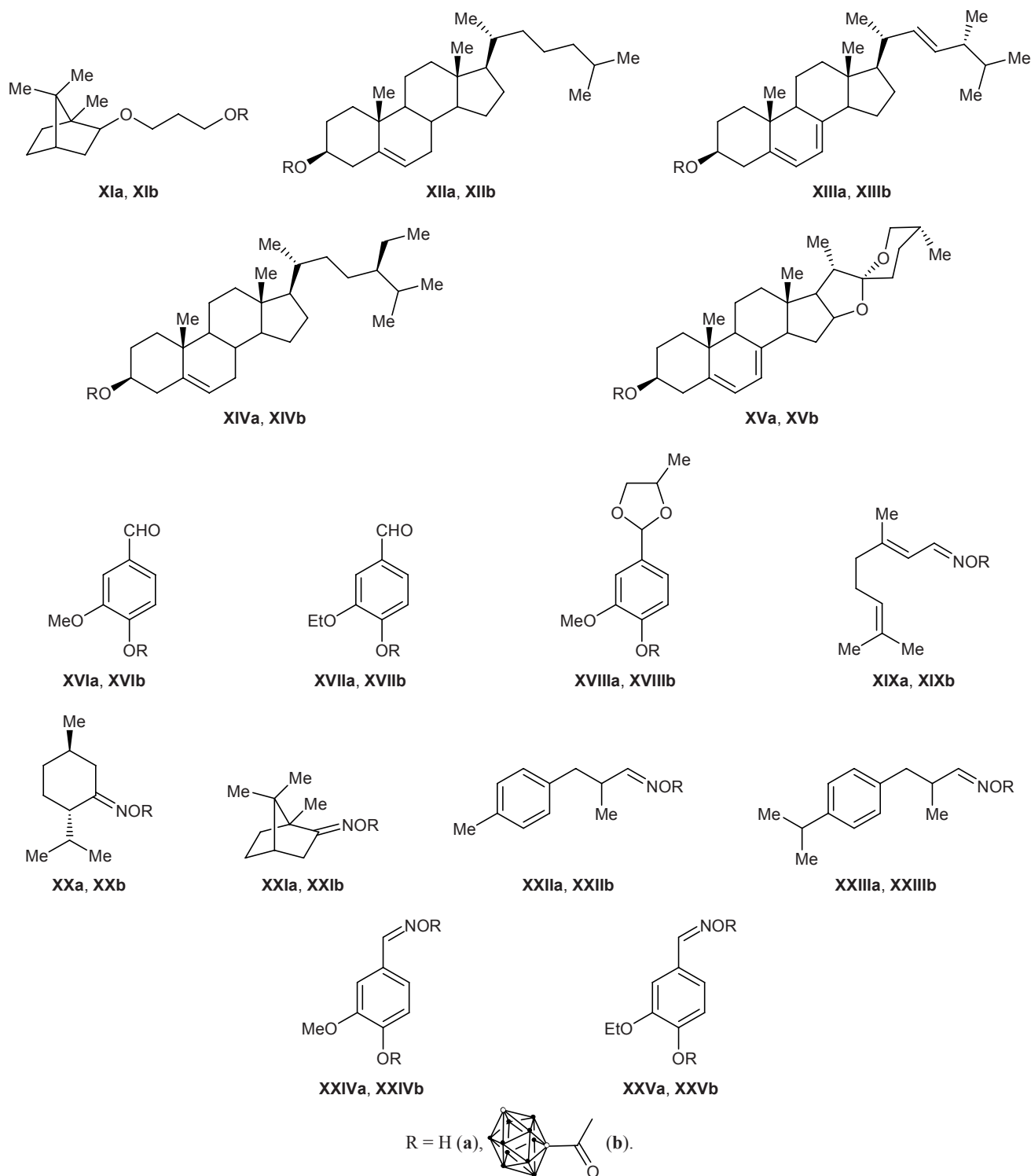
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Derivatives of the polyhedral carborane cluster system attract some interest for pharmacokinetic studies in the fields of boron neutron capture therapy of cancer and radionuclide diagnostics and therapy [1]. We previously synthesized esters on the basis of natural hydroxy compounds and 7-isopropyl-*m*-carborane-1-carboxylic acid [2], *m*-carborane-1,7-dicarboxylic acid [3] and *o*-carborane-1-carboxylic acid [4, 5].

The goal of the present study was to synthesize a series of new derivatives of terpene alcohols, sterols, plant phenols, and oximes, namely the corresponding esters **Ib–XXVb** with *m*-carborane-1-carboxylic acid, with a view to examine their properties and test them

for antitumor activity. The following naturally occurring compounds were used as alcohol component: citronellol (**Ia**), 3,7-dimethyloct-7-en-2-ol (**IIa**), nerol (**IIIa**), geraniol (**IVa**), (–)-menthol (**Va**), 10-hydroxycamphene (**VIa**), borneol (**VIIa**), isoborneol (**VIIIa**), isofenchol (**IXa**), nopol (**Xa**), 3-(isobornyloxy)propan-1-ol (**XIa**), cholesterol (**XIIa**), ergosterol (**XIIIa**), β-sitosterol (**XIVa**), diosgenin (**XVa**), vanillin (**XVIa**), vanillal (**XVIIa**), 2-methoxy-4-(4-methyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-yl)phenol (**XVIIIa**), citral oxime (**XIXa**), menthone (*E*)-oxime (**XXa**), DL-camphor oxime (**XXIa**), 2-methyl-3-(4-tolyl)propionaldehyde oxime (**XXIIa**), cyclamenaldehyde oxime (**XXIIIa**), 3,4-dimethoxy-





benzaldehyde oxime (**XXIVa**), and 4-ethoxy-3-methoxybenzaldehyde oxime (**XXVa**).

*m*-Carborane-1-carboxylic acid esters **Ib–XXVb** were synthesized by reaction of hydroxy compounds **Ia–XXVa** with *m*-carborane-1-carbonyl chloride in anhydrous benzene in the presence of pyridine; the

optimal reactant ratio was 1 : 1:1, and the yields of esters **Ib–XXVb** were 83–93%. The structure of the products was confirmed by elemental analyses,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR, IR, and UV spectra, and molecular weight determination by cryoscopy. According to the  $^1\text{H}$  NMR data, the purity of esters **Ib–XXVb** was  $98 \pm 1\%$ .

## EXPERIMENTAL

The IR spectra were recorded on a Nicolet Protegé-460 spectrometer with Fourier transform from samples prepared as thin films (neat) or KBr pellets. The UV spectra were measured on Specord UV-Vis spectrophotometer from  $1 \times 10^{-4}$  M solutions in methanol. The  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra were obtained on a Tesla BS-587A instrument (100 MHz) from 5% solutions in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  using tetramethylsilane as internal reference. The molecular weights were determined by cryoscopy in benzene. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel L (5–40  $\mu\text{m}$ ) using hexane as eluent.

*m*-Carborane-1-carboxylic acid and the corresponding acid chloride were synthesized according to the procedure described in [6].

***m*-Carborane-1-carboxylic acid esters Ib–XXVb (general procedure).** Initial alcohol, phenol, or oxime **Ia–XXVa**, 5 mmol, was dissolved in 50 ml of anhydrous benzene, 5 mmol of anhydrous pyridine was added, the mixture was cooled to 10°C, and 5 mmol of *m*-carborane-1-carbonyl chloride was added under shaking. The flask was hermetically capped and was left to stand for 2–3 days at 20–23°C. The precipitate of pyridine hydrochloride was filtered off, the filtrate was thoroughly washed with water and 5% aqueous sodium hydrogen carbonate and dried over calcium chloride, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure at a temperature not exceeding 30–40°C. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using hexane as eluent (**Ib–Vb**, **Xb**, **XIb**, **XVIIIb–XXb**) or by low-temperature crystallization from 96% ethyl alcohol (**VIb–IXb**, **XIIb–XVIIIb**, **XXIb–XXVb**).

**3,7-Dimethyloct-6-en-1-yl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (Ib).** Yield 92%,  $d_{20}^{20} = 0.9604$ ,  $n_D^{20} = 1.5155$ . IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3067 ( $\text{C-H}_{\text{carb}}$ ); 2964, 2926, 1915, 2873, 2853 ( $\text{C-H}_{\text{aliph}}$ ); 2609 ( $\text{B-H}$ ); 1745 ( $\text{C=O}$ ); 1678 ( $\text{C=C}$ ); 1454 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ); 1269, 1000 ( $\text{C-O}$ ); 731, 726 ( $\delta\text{C-H}_{\text{carb}}$ ). UV spectrum:  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  204 nm ( $\epsilon = 4000$ ).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.92 d (3H, 3- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.62 s and 1.69 s (6H, 7- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.96 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 4.17 t (2H, 1-H), 5.09 m (1H, 6-H). Found, %: C 48.13; H 9.35; B 32.79. *M* 319.7.  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{30}\text{B}_{10}\text{O}_2$ . Calculated, %: C 47.82; H 9.26; B 33.11. *M* 326.5.

**3,7-Dimethyloct-6-en-2-yl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (IIb).** Yield 86%,  $d_{20}^{20} = 0.9965$ ,  $n_D^{20} = 1.5095$ . IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3067 ( $\text{C-H}_{\text{carb}}$ ); 2967, 2930, 2878, 2858 ( $\text{C-H}_{\text{aliph}}$ ); 2609

( $\text{B-H}$ ); 1741 ( $\text{C=O}$ ); 1645 ( $\text{C=C}$ ); 1452 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ); 1270, 999 ( $\text{C-O}$ ); 731, 726 ( $\delta\text{C-H}_{\text{carb}}$ ). UV spectrum:  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  204 nm ( $\epsilon = 4000$ ).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.85 m (3H, 3- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.19 m (3H, 1-H), 1.62 s and 1.71 s (6H, 7- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 3.02 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 4.64 m (1H, 2-H), 5.08 m (1H, 6-H). Found, %: C 48.18; H 9.30; B 32.84. *M* 318.1.  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{30}\text{B}_{10}\text{O}_2$ . Calculated, %: C 47.82; H 9.26; B 33.11. *M* 326.5.

**(2Z)-3,7-Dimethylocta-2,6-dien-1-yl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (IIIb).** Yield 90%,  $d_{20}^{20} = 1.0246$ ,  $n_D^{20} = 1.5280$ . IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3065 ( $\text{C-H}_{\text{carb}}$ ); 3030 ( $=\text{C-H}$ ); 2968, 2924, 2856 ( $\text{C-H}_{\text{aliph}}$ ); 2609 ( $\text{B-H}$ ); 1744 ( $\text{C=O}$ ); 1667, 1645 ( $\text{C=C}$ ); 1446 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ); 1256, 998 ( $\text{C-O}$ ); 728 ( $\delta\text{C-H}_{\text{carb}}$ ). UV spectrum:  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  204 nm ( $\epsilon = 8000$ ).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.62 s and 1.70 s (3H each, 7- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.78 br.s (3H, 3- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.12 d (4H, 4-H, 5-H), 2.98 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 4.58 m (2H, 1-H), 5.06 m and 5.28 m (1H each, 2-H, 6-H). Found, %: C 48.58; H 8.86; B 33.10. *M* 317.8.  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{28}\text{B}_{10}\text{O}_2$ . Calculated, %: C 48.12; H 8.70; B 33.32. *M* 324.5.

**(2E)-3,7-Dimethylocta-2,6-dien-1-yl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (IVb).** Yield 84%,  $d_{20}^{20} = 1.0382$ ,  $n_D^{20} = 1.5190$ . IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3066 ( $\text{C-H}_{\text{carb}}$ ); 3030 ( $=\text{C-H}$ ); 2965, 2926, 2870, 2855 ( $\text{C-H}_{\text{aliph}}$ ); 2609 ( $\text{B-H}$ ); 1745 ( $\text{C=O}$ ); 1668, 1647 ( $\text{C=C}$ ); 1452 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ); 1267, 999 ( $\text{C-O}$ ); 731, 726 ( $\delta\text{C-H}_{\text{carb}}$ ). UV spectrum:  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  205 nm ( $\epsilon = 8000$ ).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.50–1.80 m (9H, 7- $\text{CH}_3$ , 3- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.08 d (4H, 4-H, 5-H), 2.98 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 4.61 d (2H, 1-H), 5.06 m and 5.26 m (1H each, 2-H, 6-H). Found, %: C 48.44; H 8.81; B 33.16. *M* 318.2.  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{28}\text{B}_{10}\text{O}_2$ . Calculated, %: C 48.12; H 8.70; B 33.32. *M* 324.5.

**(1R,2S,5R)-2-Isopropyl-5-methylcyclohexyl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (Vb).** Yield 89%,  $d_{20}^{20} = 1.0738$ ,  $n_D^{20} = 1.5140$ . IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3066 ( $\text{C-H}_{\text{carb}}$ ); 2958, 2927, 2871 ( $\text{C-H}_{\text{aliph}}$ ); 2609 ( $\text{B-H}$ ); 1740 ( $\text{C=O}$ ); 1456 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ); 1265, 999 ( $\text{C-O}$ ); 731, 726 ( $\delta\text{C-H}_{\text{carb}}$ ). UV spectrum,  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ , nm ( $\epsilon$ ): 206 (300), 220 (150), 243 (100).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.73 d (5- $\text{CH}_3$ ), 0.91 d [( $\text{CH}_3$ ) $_2\text{C}$ ], 2.98 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 4.62 d.t (1H, 1-H). Found, %: C 48.09; H 9.27; B 32.90. *M* 314.7.  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{30}\text{B}_{10}\text{O}_2$ . Calculated, %: C 47.82; H 9.26; B 33.11. *M* 326.5.

**3,3-Dimethylbicyclo[2.2.1]hept-*exo*-2-ylmethyl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (VIb).** Yield 93%, mp 156–157°C. IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3065 ( $\text{C-H}_{\text{carb}}$ ); 2959, 2925, 2875, 2868 ( $\text{C-H}_{\text{aliph}}$ ); 2608 ( $\text{B-H}$ ); 1741 ( $\text{C=O}$ ); 1460, 1450

(CH<sub>2</sub>); 1278, 1257, 1000 (C–O); 731, 725 ( $\delta$ C–H<sub>carb</sub>). UV spectrum,  $\lambda_{\max}$ , nm ( $\epsilon$ ): 206 (300), 220 (150), 245 (100). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.01 s and 1.03 s (3H each, 3-CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.94 br.s (1H, 2-H), 2.97 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 4.57 d (2H, 2-CH<sub>2</sub>). Found, %: C 48.29; H 8.83; B 33.11. *M* 317.6. C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>28</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. Calculated, %: C 48.12; H 8.70; B 33.32. *M* 324.5.

**1,7,7-Trimethylbicyclo[2.2.1]hept-endo-2-yl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (VIIb).** Yield 90%, mp 162–163°C. IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3064 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>); 2957, 2924, 2885, 2872 (C–H<sub>aliph</sub>); 2609 (B–H); 1739 (C=O); 1454 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1303, 1287, 1013, 1000 (C–O); 731, 724 ( $\delta$ CH<sub>carb</sub>). UV spectrum,  $\lambda_{\max}$ , nm ( $\epsilon$ ): 206 (300), 220 (150), 244 (100). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.82 s (2H, 1-CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.88 s (6H, 7-CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.03 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 4.88 m (1H, 2-H). Found, %: C 48.35; H 8.87; B 33.17. *M* 320.4. C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>28</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. Calculated, %: C 48.12; H 8.70; B 33.32. *M* 324.5.

**1,7,7-Trimethylbicyclo[2.2.1]hept-exo-2-yl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (VIIIb).** Yield 89%, mp 167–168°C. IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3064 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>); 2955, 2933, 2876 (C–H<sub>aliph</sub>); 2609 (B–H); 1737 (C=O); 1455 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1265, 1001 (C–O); 731, 724 ( $\delta$ C–H<sub>carb</sub>). UV spectrum,  $\lambda_{\max}$ , nm ( $\epsilon$ ): 206 (300), 220 (150), 245 (100). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.83 s (3H, 1-CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.90 s and 1.01 s (3H each, 7-CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.03 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 4.78 m (1H, 2-H). Found, %: C 48.50; H 8.79; B 33.05. *M* 319.0. C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>28</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. Calculated, %: C 48.12; H 8.70; B 33.32. *M* 324.5.

**1,5,5-Trimethylbicyclo[2.2.1]hept-exo-2-yl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (IXb).** Yield 87%, mp 112–113°C. IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3065 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>); 2958, 2927, 2870 (C–H<sub>a:oph</sub>); 2609 (B–H); 1740 (C=O); 1453 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1280, 1268, 1007 (C–O); 731, 724 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>). UV spectrum,  $\lambda_{\max}$ , nm ( $\epsilon$ ): 206 (300), 220 (150), 245 (100). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.93 s (3H, 1-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.02 s (6H, 5-CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.15–2.45 m (1H, 4-H), 2.97 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 4.47 m (1H, 2-H). Found, %: C 48.43; H 8.88; B 32.97. *M* 318.3. C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>28</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. Calculated, %: C 48.12; H 8.70; B 33.32. *M* 324.5.

**7,7-Dimethylbicyclo[3.1.1]hept-2-ylmethyl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (Xb).** Yield 90%,  $d_{20}^{20} = 1.0268$ ,  $n_D^{20} = 1.5375$ . IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3066 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>); 2986, 2951, 2917, 2880, 2832 (C–H<sub>aliph</sub>); 2609 (B–H); 1745 (C=O); 1467 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1271, 1001 (C–O); 731, 726 ( $\delta$ C–H<sub>carb</sub>). UV spectrum,  $\lambda_{\max}$ , nm ( $\epsilon$ ): 205 (300), 220 (150), 244

(100). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.82 s (3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.28 s (3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.97 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 4.14 t (2H, 2-H). Found, %: C 48.23; H 8.76; B 33.08. *M* 317.1. C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>28</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. Calculated, %: C 48.12; H 8.70; B 33.32. *M* 324.5.

**3-(1,7,7-Trimethylbicyclo[2.2.1]hept-exo-2-yl)propyl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (XIb).** Yield 89%,  $d_{20}^{20} = 1.0598$ ,  $n_D^{20} = 1.5210$ . IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3066 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>); 2989, 2951, 2927, 2876 (C–H<sub>aliph</sub>); 2609 (B–H); 1747 (C=O); 1475, 1453 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1268, 1119, 1078, 1001 (C–O); 731, 726 ( $\delta$ C–H<sub>carb</sub>). UV spectrum,  $\lambda_{\max}$ , nm ( $\epsilon$ ): 204 (300), 220 (150), 245 (120). <sup>1</sup>H,  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.81 s (3H, 1-CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.87 s and 0.94 s (3H each, 7-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.87 t (2H, CH<sub>2</sub>O), 3.03 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 3.13 m (1H, 2-H), 3.42 m (2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.22 t (2H, CH<sub>2</sub>O). Found, %: C 50.41; H 9.03; B 27.96. *M* 374.4. C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>34</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>. Calculated, %: C 50.23; H 8.96; B 28.26. *M* 382.6.

**Cholest-5-en-3 $\beta$ -yl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (XIIb).** Yield 93%, mp 162–163°C. IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3065 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>); 2960, 2935, 2901, 2890, 2866, 2855 (C–H<sub>aliph</sub>); 2608 (B–H); 1739 (C=O); 1635 (C=C); 1470, 1440 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1267, 997 (C–O); 731, 726 ( $\delta$ C–H<sub>carb</sub>). UV spectrum:  $\lambda_{\max}$  204 nm ( $\epsilon = 4000$ ). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.69 s (3H, C<sup>18</sup>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.02 s (3H, C<sup>19</sup>H<sub>3</sub>), 3.02 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 4.71 m (1H, 3-H), 5.38 m (1H, 6-H). Found, %: C 64.96; H 10.19; B 19.09. *M* 532.8. C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>56</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. Calculated, %: C 64.70; H 10.14; B 19.41. *M* 556.9.

**Ergosta-5,7,22-trien-3 $\beta$ -yl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (XIIIb).** Yield 87%, mp 104–105°C. IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3064 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>); 3040 (=C–H); 2955, 2930, 2870, 2852 (C–H<sub>aliph</sub>); 2613 (B–H); 1740 (C=O); 1684, 1640 (C=C); 1458 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1273, 998 (C–O); 730 ( $\delta$ C–H<sub>carb</sub>). UV spectrum,  $\lambda_{\max}$ , nm ( $\epsilon$ ): 205 (12000), 242 (5000), 265 (9000). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.64 s (3H, C<sup>18</sup>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.03 s (3H, C<sup>19</sup>H<sub>3</sub>), 3.02 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 4.74 m (1H, 3-H), 5.05–5.75 m (4H, 6-H, 7-H, 22-H, 23-H). Found, %: C 66.04; H 9.73; B 18.87. *M* 551.3. C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>54</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. Calculated, %: C 65.68; H 9.60; B 19.07. *M* 566.9.

**Poriferast-5-en-3 $\beta$ -yl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (XIVb).** Yield 88%, mp 111–112°C. IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3064 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>); 3040 (=C–H); 2959, 2934, 2868, 2852 (C–H<sub>aliph</sub>); 2607 (B–H); 1737 (C=O); 1634 (C=C); 1466, 1447 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1277, 1002 (C–O); 731, 726 ( $\delta$ C–H<sub>carb</sub>). UV spectrum:  $\lambda_{\max}$  204 nm ( $\epsilon = 4000$ ). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.68 s (3H, C<sup>18</sup>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.03 s (3H, C<sup>19</sup>H<sub>3</sub>), 3.02 br.s (1H,



7'-H), 4.72 m (1H, 3-H), 5.38 m (1H, 6-H). Found, %: C 65.93; H 10.48; B 18.16. *M* 562.8. C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>60</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. Calculated, %: C 65.71; H 10.34; B 18.48. *M* 584.9.

**16,22:22 $\alpha$ ,27-Diepoxycholest-5-en-3- $\beta$ -yl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (XVb).** Yield 87%, mp 142–143°C. IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3066 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>); 3040 (=C–H); 2948, 2940, 2906, 2872, 2853 (C–H<sub>aliph</sub>); 2609 (B–H); 1740 (C=O); 1630 (C=C); 1455 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1269, 1257, 1052, 1001, 981 (C–O); 730 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>). UV spectrum:  $\lambda_{\max}$  204 nm ( $\epsilon$  = 4000). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.80 s (3H, C<sup>18</sup>H<sub>3</sub>), 1.04 s (3H, C<sup>19</sup>H<sub>3</sub>), 3.02 br.s (1G, 7'-H, 4.40 m (1H, 3-H), 5.40 m (1H, 6-H). Found, %: C 61.87; H 9.05; B 18.19. *M* 569.3. C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>52</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>. Calculated, %: C 61.61; H 8.96; B 18.49. *M* 584.9.

**4-Formyl-2-methoxyphenyl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (XVIb).** Yield 89%, mp 84–85°C. IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3071, 3007 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>, C–H<sub>arom</sub>); 2974, 2939, 2927, 2875, 2848 (C–H<sub>aliph</sub>); 2610 (B–H); 1772 (C=O); 1701 (CHO); 1604, 1506, 1465, 1425, 1385, 1324 (C–C<sub>arom</sub>); 1289, 1249, 1197, 1154, 1110, 1058, 1028, 994 (C–O); 860, 802, 781, 731, 710 ( $\delta$ C–H<sub>carb</sub>,  $\delta$ C–H<sub>arom</sub>). UV spectrum,  $\lambda_{\max}$ , nm ( $\epsilon$ ): 206 (9000), 225 (12000), 260 (8000), 308 (4000). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 3.05 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 3.91 s (3H, CH<sub>3</sub>O), 7.04–7.60 m (3H, H<sub>arom</sub>), 9.96 s (1H, CHO). Found, %: C 41.20; H 5.81; B 33.26. *M* 312.6. C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>18</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>. Calculated, %: C 40.98; H 5.63; B 33.54. *M* 322.4.

**2-Ethoxy-4-formylphenyl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (XVIIb).** Yield 90%, mp 96–97°C. IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3067 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>, C–H<sub>arom</sub>); 2988, 2938, 2927, 2902, 2860, 2840 (C–H<sub>aliph</sub>); 2612 (B–H); 1771 (C=O); 1696 (CHO); 1602, 1499, 1480, 1436, 1390, 1325 (C–C<sub>arom</sub>); 1292, 1280, 1248, 1195, 1157, 1117, 1037, 994 (C–O); 801, 790, 743, 728, 712. UV spectrum,  $\lambda_{\max}$ , nm ( $\epsilon$ ): 206 (9000), 224 (13000), 260 (8000), 310 (4000). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.45 t (3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.05 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 4.08 q (2H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.04–7.55 m (3H, H<sub>arom</sub>), 9.94 s (1H, CHO). Found, %: C 43.07; H 6.12; B 31.87. *M* 329.0. C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>20</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>. Calculated, %: C 42.85; H 5.99; B 32.14. *M* 336.4.

**2-Methoxy-4-(4-methyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-yl)phenyl 1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carboxylate (XVIIIb).** Yield 83%,  $d_{20}^{20} = 1.2637$ ,  $n_D^{20} = 1.5520$ . IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3063, 3010 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>, C–H<sub>arom</sub>); 2972, 2938, 2878, 2855 (C–H<sub>aliph</sub>); 2608 (B–H); 1763 (C=O); 1593, 1510, 1465, 1433, 1400, 1380 (C–C<sub>arom</sub>);

1283, 1254, 1196, 1161, 1120, 1033, 996 (C–O); 803, 780, 745, 730 ( $\delta$ C–H<sub>carb</sub>,  $\delta$ C–H<sub>arom</sub>). UV spectrum,  $\lambda_{\max}$ , nm ( $\epsilon$ ): 206 (9000), 220 (10000), 260 (4000), 280 (3000). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.20–1.45 m (3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.04 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 3.30–4.60 m (2H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.82 s (3H, CH<sub>3</sub>O), 5.81 s (1H, 2''-H), 6.80–7.60 m (3H, H<sub>arom</sub>). Found, %: C 44.48; H 6.43; B 28.10. *M* 363.2. C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>24</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>5</sub>. Calculated, %: C 44.20; H 6.36; B 28.42. *M* 380.5.

**(2Z)-3,7-Dimethylocta-2,6-dienal O-[1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carbonyl]oxime (XIXb).** Yield 88%,  $d_{20}^{20} = 1.0632$ ,  $n_D^{20} = 1.5190$ . IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3062 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>, =C–H); 2970, 2929, 2857 (C–H<sub>aliph</sub>); 2609 (B–H); 1744 (C=O); 1660, 1625 (C=C); 1630 (C=N); 1441 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1231, 997 (C–O); 732, 710 ( $\delta$ C–H<sub>carb</sub>). UV spectrum:  $\lambda_{\max}$  208 nm ( $\epsilon$  = 12000). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.62 s and 1.70 s (3H each, 7-CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.08 d (3H, 3-CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.05 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 5.08 m and 6.05 m (1H each, 2-H, 6-H). Found, %: C 46.45; H 8.09; B 31.82; N 3.90. *M* 325.3. C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>27</sub>B<sub>10</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>. Calculated, %: C 46.27; H 8.06; B 32.04; N 4.15. *M* 337.5.

**(2S,5R)-2-Isopropyl-5-methylcyclohexanone (E)-O-[1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carbonyl]oxime (XXb).** Yield 88%,  $d_{20}^{20} = 1.1705$ ,  $n_D^{20} = 1.5280$ . IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3063 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>); 2959, 2929, 2871 (C–H<sub>aliph</sub>); 2610 (B–H); 1765 (C=O); 1634 (C=N); 1456 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1240, 998 (C–O); 731 ( $\delta$ C–H<sub>carb</sub>). UV spectrum:  $\lambda_{\max}$  208 nm ( $\epsilon$  = 4000). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.75–1.08 m (9H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.04 br.s (1H, 7'-H). Found, %: C 46.27; H 8.69; B 31.47; N 3.86. *M* 327.4. C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>29</sub>B<sub>10</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>. Calculated, %: C 45.99; H 8.61; B 31.85; N 4.13. *M* 339.5.

**1,7,7-Trimethylbicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-one (E)-O-[1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carbonyl]oxime (XXIb).** Yield 91%, mp 153–154°C. IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3064 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>); 2964, 2932, 2890, 2873 (C–H<sub>aliph</sub>); 2610 (B–H); 1764 (C=O); 1659 (C=N); 1448 (CH<sub>2</sub>); 1238, 997 (C–O); 732 ( $\delta$ C–H<sub>carb</sub>). UV spectrum:  $\lambda_{\max}$  209 nm ( $\epsilon$  = 4000). <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 0.82 s (3H, 1-CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.94 s and 1.09 s (3H each, 7-CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.17 s (1H, 4-H), 3.04 br.s (1H, 7'-H). C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>27</sub>B<sub>10</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>. Calculated, %: C 46.27; H 8.06; B 32.04; N 4.15. *M* 337.5.

**2-Methyl-3-(4-tolyl)propanal O-[1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carbonyl]oxime (XXIIb).** Yield 88%, mp 29–30°C. IR spectrum,  $\nu$ , cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3094, 3059, 3025, 3004 (C–H<sub>carb</sub>, C–H<sub>arom</sub>); 2983, 2925, 2879, 2861 (C–H<sub>aliph</sub>); 2612 (B–H); 1745 (C=O); 1640 (C=N); 1515, 1421, 1380 (C–C<sub>arom</sub>); 1455 (CH<sub>2</sub>);

1288, 997 (C–O); 825, 790, 747, 735, 729, 705 ( $\delta\text{C-H}_{\text{carb}}$ ,  $\delta\text{C-H}_{\text{arom}}$ ). UV spectrum:  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  216 nm ( $\epsilon = 5000$ ).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.32 m (3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.34 s (3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 2.70–2.90 m (3H,  $\text{CH}_2$ , CH), 3.06 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 7.14 s (4H,  $\text{H}_{\text{arom}}$ ). Found, %: C 48.51; H 7.38; B 30.83; N 3.75.  $M$  334.9.  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{25}\text{B}_{10}\text{NO}_2$ . Calculated, %: C 48.39; H 7.25; B 31.11; N 4.03.  $M$  347.5.

**3-(4-Isopropylphenyl)-2-methylpropanal O-[1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carbonyl]oxime (XXIIIb).** Yield 89%, mp 24–25°C. IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3095, 3063, 3025, 3008 (C– $\text{H}_{\text{carb}}$ , C– $\text{H}_{\text{arom}}$ ); 2959, 2927, 2872, 2852 (C– $\text{H}_{\text{aliph}}$ ); 2611 (B–H); 1744 (C=O); 1640 (C=N); 1515, 1422, 1378, 1312 (C– $\text{C}_{\text{arom}}$ ); 1463 ( $\text{CH}_2$ ); 1286, 998 (C–O); 810, 737, 725 ( $\delta\text{C-H}_{\text{carb}}$ ,  $\delta\text{C-H}_{\text{arom}}$ ). UV spectrum:  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  216 nm ( $\epsilon = 5000$ ).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.30 m (3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 1.36 d [6H, ( $\text{CH}_3$ ) $_2\text{C}$ ], 2.55–3.00 m (4H, CH, CH,  $\text{CH}_2$ ), 3.05 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 7.16 s (4H,  $\text{H}_{\text{arom}}$ ). Found, %: C 51.46; H 7.84; B 28.52; N 3.61.  $M$  362.8.  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{29}\text{B}_{10}\text{NO}_2$ . Calculated, %: C 51.18; H 7.78; B 28.79; N 3.73.  $M$  375.5.

**3,4-Dimethoxybenzaldehyde O-[1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carbonyl]oxime (XXIVb).** Yield 90%, mp 45–46°C. IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3059, 3010 (C– $\text{H}_{\text{carb}}$ , C– $\text{H}_{\text{arom}}$ ); 2963, 2937, 2920, 2840 (C– $\text{H}_{\text{aliph}}$ ); 2611 (B–H); 1767 (C=O); 1600, 1576, 1514, 1464, 1421, 1336 (C– $\text{C}_{\text{arom}}$ ); 1270, 1241, 1166, 1140, 1106, 1060, 1023, 1001, 976 (C–O); 805, 760, 747, 732, 707 ( $\delta\text{C-H}_{\text{carb}}$ ,  $\delta\text{C-H}_{\text{arom}}$ ). UV spectrum,  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ , nm ( $\epsilon$ ): 207 (12000), 225 (12000), 262 (8000), 310 (4000).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 3.05 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 3.94 s (3H,  $\text{OCH}_3$ ), 3.97 s (3H,  $\text{OCH}_3$ ), 6.80–7.50 m (3H,  $\text{H}_{\text{arom}}$ ), 8.40 s (1H, N=CH). Found, %: C 40.84; H 5.93; B 30.39; N 3.60.  $M$  340.2.  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{21}\text{B}_{10}\text{NO}_4$ . Calculated, %: C 41.01; H 6.02; B 30.77; N 3.99.  $M$  351.4.

**3-Ethoxy-4-methoxybenzaldehyde O-[1,7-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane(12)-1-carbonyl]oxime (XXVb).** Yield 91%, mp 35–36°C. IR spectrum,  $\nu$ ,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ : 3059, 3014 (C– $\text{H}_{\text{carb}}$ , C– $\text{H}_{\text{arom}}$ ); 2981, 2936, 2918, 2885, 2840 (C– $\text{H}_{\text{aliph}}$ ); 2612 (B–H); 1766 (C=O); 1599, 1574, 1514, 1480, 1440, 1340 (C– $\text{C}_{\text{arom}}$ ); 1267, 1241, 1173, 1141, 1105, 1055, 1026, 995 (C–O); 810, 754, 735, 705 ( $\delta\text{C-H}_{\text{carb}}$ ,  $\delta\text{C-H}_{\text{arom}}$ ). UV spectrum,  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ , nm ( $\epsilon$ ): 208 (13000), 224 (12000), 264 (8000), 310 (4000).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum,  $\delta$ , ppm: 1.45 t (3H,  $\text{CH}_3$ ), 3.05 br.s (1H, 7'-H), 3.90 s (3H,  $\text{CH}_3\text{O}$ ), 4.20 q (2H,  $\text{OCH}_2$ ), 6.78–7.50 m (3H,  $\text{H}_{\text{arom}}$ ), 8.39 s (1H, N=CH). Found, %: C 43.07; H 6.38; B 29.25; N .51.  $M$  352.7.  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{23}\text{B}_{10}\text{NO}_4$ . Calculated, %: C 42.73; H 6.34; B 29.58; N 3.83.  $M$  365.4.

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