Xesto- and Halenaquinone Derivatives from a Sponge, Adocia sp., from Truk Lagoon¹

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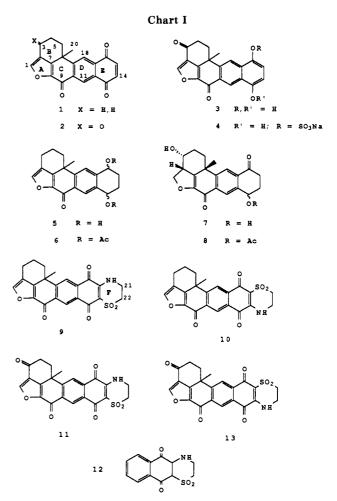
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Partially reduced derivatives of the novel quinones xestoquinone (1) and halenaquinone (2) have been isolated from an *Adocia* sp. sponge from Truk Lagoon. In addition, three derivatives of 1 and 2 which each possess an added 1,1-dioxo-1,4-thiazine ring have been isolated. Structures for the latter compounds were confirmed by synthesis from 1 and 2. Cytotoxicity data are reported.

The quinone and hydroquinone compounds 1-4 have been isolated from Pacific sponges of the genus Xestospongia.²⁻⁴ Kobayashi et al. have suggested that 1 and 2 may be artifacts arising from oxidation of the hydroquinones such as 3. Xestoquinone (1) exhibits cardiotonic activity, and halenaquinone (2) shows antibiotic activity. In this paper we report the isolation of five derivatives of 1 and 2 from an Adocia sp. collected in Truk Lagoon. Three of these possess an added 1,1-dioxo-1,4-thiazine ring; one of them is cytotoxic.

The major components obtained from two different collections of sponges were xestoquinone (1) and halenaquinone (2). Single frequency ${}^{1}H/{}^{13}C$ decoupling experiments established the assignments shown in Table I for the quaternary sp² carbon signals (except for the carbonyl carbons). The assignments for C-7 and C-8 are opposite to those made earlier,³ as are those for C-10 and C-19. Our assignments agree with those made by Kobayashi et al.⁴ for 2.

The molecular formula C₂₀H₂₀O₄ was established for one of the minor alcohol metabolites 5, by low-resolution MS, ¹H and ¹³C NMR, and IR. This corresponds to a hexahydro formula of 1. ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, Table I, indicated that 5 contained rings A-D of xestoquinone including the carbonyl group at C-9, but ring E was clearly reduced since no signals indicative of the quinone protons and carbonyl carbons of 1 were present. Instead, the proton NMR spectrum of 5 exhibited a broad two-proton multiplet at 4.91 ppm indicative of two secondary alcohols which were each coupled to two-proton multiplets, one at 2.36 ppm and the other at 1.72 ppm. The 4.91-ppm multiplet was also coupled (~0.5 Hz) to the benzenoid resonances at 8.42 and 7.64 ppm. Acetylation of 5 yielded a diacetate, 6, which exhibited resolved one-proton triplets at 6.06 and 6.12 ppm in its ¹H NMR spectrum, confirming that each acetate-bearing carbon is adjacent to a methylene group. These data are all consistent with structure 5 for this metabolite, which is thus 13,14,15,16-tetrahydroxestoquinol. The ¹³C NMR signals of the two alcohol carbons, C-13 and C-16, appeared as four closely spaced signals in the DEPT⁵ spectrum, but in the spectrum of acetate 6, C-13 and C-16 appeared as two sharp peaks. Hence, doubling of the peaks in the spectrum of the diol 5 is ascribed to slow interconversion of conformational isomers



in DMSO solution, rather than the occurrence of 5 as an unresolved mixture of stereoisomers.

A second minor alcohol metabolite, 7, was assigned the formula $C_{20}H_{20}O_5$ on the basis of LRMS $(m/z\ 340,\ M^+)$, IR, 13 C, and 1 H NMR data. The 1 H NMR spectrum of this metabolite bore many resemblances to that of halenaquinone, 2. However, the absence of both furan and quinone proton signals indicated that rings A and E of 7 both were at least partially reduced. Decoupling and COSY experiments established a sequence of connectivity for carbons 1–5 and 13–15 and indicated an allylic relationship between H-11 and H-13 (Table I). A singlet at 8.33 ppm was assigned to H-18 by comparison of its chemical shift with that in 1 and 2 and from an NOE observed between this signal and the methyl protons (see below). Thus this metabolite was assigned structure 7.

Acetylation of 7 afforded the diacetate 8 (LRMS, m/z 424, M^+), whose ¹H NMR spectrum showed signals at 6.19 (dd) and 5.27 ppm (dd), for the H-13 and H-3 signals,

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Table I. NMR Data for 5 and 7

| | | 5 | 7 | | |
|--------------|-----------------------|--|------------------------------|--|-------|
| | 13Ca | $^{1}\mathrm{H}^{b}$ | ¹³ C ^a | ¹H ^f | 13Cg |
| C-1 | 144.6 d | 7.41 br s | 70.8 t | 4.78 dd (10, 10), ^h 4.74 dd (10, 6) ^h | 144.9 |
| C-2 | 121.2 s | | 46.6 d | $3.66 \text{ m} (\text{ddd } 10, 6, 4)^h$ | 121.5 |
| C-3 | 17.8 t | 2.85 br dd (17, 8), ^h 2.61 br dd [17, 9 (5)] ^h | $66.2 d^c$ | 4.36 br s | 18.4 |
| C-4 | 16.3 t | 2.20 m (2 H) | 28.2 t | 2.09 m (2 H) | 16.9 |
| C-5 | 31.1 t | 2.35 dt (13, 3.6), ^h 1.67 dt (13, 4.6) ^h | 33.8 t | 2.36 m, 1.70 ddd (13, 13, 6) ^h | 31.3 |
| C-6 | 35.7 s | | 35.7 s | ,,, | 37.3 |
| C-7 | 146.8 s | | 146.8 s | | 147.2 |
| C-8 | 143.4 s | | 145.5 s | | 143.8 |
| C-9 | 171.5 s | | 174.2 s | | 170.3 |
| C-10 | 138.9 s^{c} | | 135.1 s | | 138.0 |
| C-11 | 126.5 d | 8.42 s | 125.0 d | 8.52 s | 127.1 |
| C-12 | 138.9 s ^c | 3.12 J | 142.2 s | 0.02 5 | 130.4 |
| C-13 | 66.4 d ^d | 4.91 m | 65.8 d° | 5.29 dd (7.8, 4) ^h | 183.8 |
| C-14 | 29.8 t ^e | | 31.8 t | 2.56 m, 2.36 m | 139.4 |
| C-15 | 29.9 t ^e | 2.36 m, 1.72 m (2 H each) | 24.3 t | 3.15 ddd (19, 9, 5), ^h 2.86 ddd (19, 8, 4) ^h | 138.6 |
| C-16 | 66.6^{d} | 4.91 m | 197.0 s | 5.15 ddd (15, 5, 5), 2.00 ddd (15, 6, 4) | 184.7 |
| C-17 | 131.2 s^{c} | 4.01 111 | 132.6 s | | 133.2 |
| C-18 | 124.1 d | 7.64 s | 132.8 d | 8.33 s | 123.2 |
| C-18 | 149.1 s | 1.04 5 | 150.1 s | 0.00 8 | |
| C-19 C-20 | | 1.40 ~ | | 1.00 - | 156.2 |
| C-20 | 32.2 q | 1.48 s | 24.3 s | 1.63 s | 32.6 |

^aDMSO-d₆, 75 MHz. ^bCDCl₃, 300 MHz. ^cNumbers with identical letters within a column may be interchanged ^dNumbers with identical letters within a column may be interchanged ^eNumbers with identical letters within a column may be interchanged. ^fCDCl₃ + 10% CF₃CO₂D. ^gCDCl₃, 75 MHz. ^hCoupling constants in hertz.

Table II. ¹H NMR Data for 9-11 and 13

| | 9ª | 10 ^b | 114 | 13° | |
|------|--|--|--|---------------|--|
| C-1 | 7.55 s | 7.67 s | 8.29 s | 8.38 s | |
| C-3 | 2.88 dd (17, 7.7), ^d 2.65 dd (17, 9.3) ^d | 2.92 br dd (17, 7.6), ^d 2.69 br dd (17, 9) ^d | | | |
| C-4 | 2.2-2.4 m | 2.1-2.4 m | 2.90 m | 2.90 m | |
| C-5 | 2.57 dt (12.9, 3.7), ^d 1.74 dt (12.9, 4.5) ^d | 2.59 dt (13, 4), ^d 1.76 dt (13, 4.9) ^d | $3.04 ddd (14, 14, 5)^d 2.29 ddd (14, 14, 5)^d$ | 3.13 m, 2.4 m | |
| C-11 | 9.04 s | 9.03 br s | 9.06 s | 9.19 s | |
| C-18 | 8.38 s | 8.34 s | 8.41 s | 8.45 s | |
| C-20 | 1.53 s | 1.56 s | 1.69 s | 1.78 s | |
| C-21 | 4.16 m (2 H) | 3.53 m (2 H) | 4.20 m (2 H) | 4.15 m (2 H) | |
| C-22 | 3.39 m (2 H) | 4.30 m (2 H) | 3.43 m (2 H) | 3.60 m (2 H) | |
| N-H | 6.94 br s | | 6.99 br s | , , | |

^aCDCl₃. ^bCDCl₃ + 10% CF₃CO₂D. ^cCDCl₃ + 20% CD₃OD. ^dCoupling constants in hertz.

respectively, consistent with the proposed structure. The ¹³C NMR spectrum of 8 showed only two lines for C-3 and C-13 at 72.7 and 74.4 ppm, whereas, in the spectrum of 7, the corresponding signals were each doubled. This doubling is as ascribed to conformational isomers as in the case of 5; see above.

The partial relative stereochemistry shown for 7 was determined from NOEs and solvent-induced 1H NMR chemical shifts. Irradiation of the methyl signal (in Pyr- d_5 ; see Experimental Section) induced NOEs of 10% on H-2, a trace on H-3, and 14% on H-18. Thus the methyl and H-2 must be cis as depicted in stereostructure I with H-3

being equatorial (β) to be consistent with small Js of this signal. Also, the doubled triplet noted for H-5 α in CDCl₃/CD₃OD at 1.69 ppm was shifted downfield to \sim 1.90 ppm in Pyr- d_5 (largely obscured by other signals), as expected from its diaxial relationship with the 3-OH.⁶ Partial reduction of the furan ring on going from 1 to 7 causes the C-20 NMR absorption to be shifted upfield significantly (Table I).

Table III. 13C NMR Data for 9-11a

| Table III. ¹³ C NMR Data for 9-11 ^a | | | | | | | |
|---|----------|----------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| | 9 | 10 | 11 | | | | |
| C-1 | 146.2 | 146.1 | 150.5 | | | | |
| C-2 | 121.7 | 121.6 | 122.6 | | | | |
| C-3 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 191.5 | | | | |
| C-4 | 16.2 | 16.2 | 32.2 | | | | |
| C-5 | 30.3 | 30.3 | 36.7 | | | | |
| C-6 | 37.2 | 37.2 | 36.2 | | | | |
| C-7 | 147.1 | 147.1 | 146.7 | | | | |
| C-8 | 142.9 | 143.1 | 143.5 | | | | |
| C-9 | 169.3 | 169.4 | 169.6 | | | | |
| C-10 | 135.9 | 137.9 | 135.4 | | | | |
| C-11 | 125.4 | 124.8 | 125.1 | | | | |
| C-12 | 128.5 | 131.8 | 128.6 | | | | |
| C-13 | 177.8 | 173.7 | 177.3 | | | | |
| C-14 | 111.7 | 147.9 | 111.4 | | | | |
| C-15 | 147.8 | 111.4 | 147.9 | | | | |
| C-16 | 173.7 | 178.3 | 173.5 | | | | |
| C-17 | 134.4 | 130.9 | 134.8 | | | | |
| C-18 | 122.9 | 123.4 | 123.2 | | | | |
| C-19 | 157.4 | 154.6 | 155.5 | | | | |
| C-20 | 31.8 | 31.6 | 29.8 | | | | |
| C-21 | 48.2 | 40^{b} | 48.2 | | | | |
| C-22 | 40^{b} | 48.3 | 40^{b} | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

 a All spectra recorded at 75 MHz in DMSO- d_6 . Assignments made by comparison with xestoquinone and from single frequency decoupling experiments. b Signal obscured by solvent peak.

The remaining three metabolites all exhibited odd-mass molecular ions revealing the presence of nitrogen and M + 2 peaks (10–15% of M + 1) suggestive of the presence of sulfur. The first of these compounds, adociaquinone A^7 (9), m/z 423 (M^+), exhibited a proton NMR spectrum

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that contained all the peaks observed in the spectrum of 1 except for the two quinone protons (Table II). In addition, however, the spectrum of 9 contained an isolated spin system consistent with the partial structure NHC-H₂CH₂, i.e., exchangeable proton at 6.94 ppm (NH) coupled to a two-proton multiplet at 4.16 ppm which in turn was coupled to a two-proton multiplet at 3.39 ppm. The ¹³C NMR spectrum of 9 (Table III), contained all the signals indicative of the entire skeleton of 1 plus two additional methylene carbons. Summing the formula elements of 1 and the NHCH₂CH₂ fragment gave a mass of 359, 64 amu short of the observed M⁺ of 423. A facile loss of 64 amu, attributable to expulsion of SO₂ (from a sulfone), was observed in the mass spectrum of 9, and from this a molecular formula of C₂₂H₁₇O₆NS was inferred. Since this metabolite retains all the proton signals of 1 except for H-14 and H-15, the SO₂ and NHCH₂CH₂ units could be fused to these positions to give structure 9 (or the regioisomeric structure 10). A definitive assignment of the regiochemistry shown for 9 was derived from NMR studies carried out on semisynthetic material (see below).

The second sulfur-containing metabolite isolated was assigned structure 10. This metabolite is more polar (TLC) than 9, is considerably less soluble in DMSO, and is virtually insoluble in CHCl₃ (9 is easily soluble in DMSO and sparingly soluble in CHCl₃, ~2 mg/mL). The spectral data for this metabolite, adociaquinone B⁷ (10) (Tables II and III), are almost identical with those of 9, with only small differences evident in the UV and ¹³C NMR spectra. Since 10 was not soluble in CDCl₃ alone, its ¹H NMR spectrum was taken in CDCl₃/CF₃CO₂D. In this solvent, 10 exhibited all the peaks observed for 9 and with the same multiplicities, except for the NH resonance, which exchanges under these conditions. The signals corresponding to H-11, H-21, and H-22 were also broadened; this may be due to the poor solubility of 10 and consequent clustering of solute molecules. The mass spectra of 10 and 9 exhibited the same fragment ions, although there was some variation in peak intensities. These data suggested that 10 was the regioisomer of 9 in ring F, and this was subsequently confirmed by NMR studies on semisynthetic material (see below).

The third sulfur-containing metabolite, 3-ketoadocia-quinone A^7 (11), exhibited 1H NMR signals corresponding to halenaquinone (2), except for the absence of the quinone protons and the addition of signals indicative of the hypotaurine moiety of 9 (Table II). Likewise, the 13 C data of 11 matched those of halenaquinone for rings A–D and corresponded to compound 9 for rings E and F; see Table III. The mass spectrum of 11 exhibited a molecular ion at m/z 437 consistent with the molecular formula C_{22} - $H_{15}O_7NS$, and fragment ions at m/z 422 (M⁺ – CH₃), 373 (M⁺ – SO₂), and 332 [M⁺ – (SO₂ + CHCHNH)]. On the basis of these data, structure 11, with ring-F regiochemistry unconfirmed, was proposed for this compound.

The structures of 9-11, but with regiochemistry unresolved, were confirmed by synthesis from 1 and 2 using the known conjugate addition reaction of amines or sulfinic acids with naphthoquinones⁸ to give substituted naphthoquinones. A model reaction between naphthoquinone and hypotaurine was first carried out to test the feasibility of a bis-1,4-addition of an amino sulfinic acid to yield a 1,4-thiaza ring. Brief heating of equimolar amounts of these two reactants gave a 30% yield of a yellow solid with

spectral properties consistent with structure 12. The yield was not improved when air was bubbled into the reaction mixture to serve as an oxidant.

When xestoquinone (1) was heated with hypotaurine in ethanol/acetonitrile (1:1) for 1 min, two products were isolated that were identical with 9 (7%) and 10 (15%) by TLC, MS, and ¹H NMR analysis. Likewise, from reaction of halenaquinone with hypotaurine, two products were isolated, the less polar of which was identical with 11, and the more polar of which exhibited a ¹H NMR spectrum consistent with the expected regioisomer 13; see Table II.

The respective ring-F regiochemistries of 9 and 10 were resolved from long-range proton-carbon couplings determined for the more soluble isomer 9. Chemical shift assignment of the benzenoid protons was made initially by comparison to xestoquinone, i.e., the H-18 signal is slightly upfield from that of H-11 as confirmed by NOE between it and the methyl signal. This assignment was confirmed for 9 when it was noted that selective irradiation of the upfield benzenoid signal (H-18) caused sharpening of only one ${}^{13}\text{C}$ carbonyl resonance (173.7 ppm in DMSO- d_6) in a fully coupled ¹³C NMR spectrum. On the other hand. irradiation of H-11 sharpened two carbonyl signals (169.3) and 177.8 ppm). Selective irradiation of the amine proton resonance gave inconclusive results, but when the ¹³C NMR spectrum was recorded in DMSO-d₆ with CD₃OD added to exchange the NH proton, a definite sharpening of the broad signal at 173.7 ppm to a sharp doublet was observed. Since H-18 and the NH proton are coupled to the same carbonyl carbon, structure 9 is confirmed for this isomer and hence 10 has the alternate structure as shown. The doublet character of the 173.7-ppm peak after NH exchange is due to coupling with H-18.

Since the relative order of elution of 9 and 10 on TLC would be expected to be the same for the halenaquinone adducts 11 and 13, it follows that the less polar adduct 11 has the same ring-F regiochemistry as the less polar metabolite 9.

Halenaquinone (2), the naphthoquinone derivative 12, and adociaquinone B (10) are mildly cytotoxic, ED₅₀ (PS)⁹ = 2.9, 2.9, and 2.4 μ g/mL, respectively, while xestoquinone (1) was inactive.

Experimental Section¹⁰

Sponges were collected from the Eten Island area of Truk Lagoon in January 1984 and November 1985 at 5–10-m depths and frozen within a few hours. The frozen specimens (2.9 kg) from the first collection were soaked in CHCl₃/MeOH (1:1) for 1 day and then again in CHCl₃/MeOH (2:1). The combined solutions were concentrated under reduced pressure, and the concentrate was partitioned between CHCl₃ and 30% aqueous MeOH. The chloroform solubles were chromatographed as outlined in Figure 1a. Specimens from the second collection were freeze-dried (932 g dry wt) and then extracted at room temperature consecutively with the following solvents: (a) *n*-hexane, 12 h; (b) *n*-hexane, 24 h; (c) CHCl₃, 1 day; CHCl₃, 2 days. The combined chloroform extracts were chromatographed as outlined in Figure 1b.

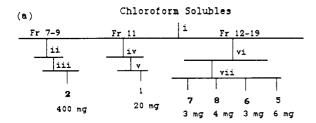
13,14,15,16-Tetrahydroxestoquinol (5): 8 mg, white solid; mp 224–229 °C; UV (ethanol) $\lambda_{\rm max}$ (nm) 304 (ϵ 13 600), 254 (7200), 233 (sh) (7000); IR (NaCl) 3450 (br), 2940, 1680 (br) cm⁻¹; ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, Table I; low-resolution mass spectrum (LRMS)

⁽⁷⁾ The names for compounds 9-11 and 13 have been changed from those assigned in ref 1 due to the fact that the sponge name has been determined and the new compound names are more appropriate.

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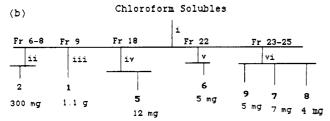


Figure 1. Fractionation of sponge extracts. (a) First collection: (i) SiO₂, acetone/hexane with step increase in acetone (0:1→1:0); (ii) SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane (0:1→1:0); (iii) preparative TLC, chloroform; (iv) SiO₂, methanol/chloroform (2:98); (v) preparative TLC, ethyl acetate/hexane (1:1); (vi) SiO₂, methanol/chloroform with step increase in methanol (2:98→10:90); (vii) SiO₂ HPLC, methanol/chloroform (3:97). (b) Second collection: (i) SiO₂, methanol/chloroform with step increase in methanol (0:10→1:9); (ii) SiO₂, chloroform; (iii) precipitated from chloroform/methanol solution with the addition of diethyl ether; (iv) SiO₂, methanol/chloroform (2:98); (v) SiO₂ HPLC, methanol/chloroform (3:97); (vi) SiO₂ HPLC, methanol/chloroform (4:96).

(12 eV), m/z (relative intensity) 324 (M⁺, 15), 309 (35), 306 (100), 291 (28).

3,13-Dideoxo-1,2,14,15-tetrahydro-3,13-dihydroxyhalenaquinone (7): 5 mg, white solid; mp 235–245 °C; UV (ethanol) λ_{\max} (nm) 328 (ϵ 9000), 252 (16 600); IR (NaCl) 3350 (br), 1650 cm⁻¹; ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, Table I; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, Pyr- d_5) 9.04 (1 H, s, H-11), 8.45 (1 H, s, H-18), 5.21 (1 H, dd, J=4, 8 Hz, H-13), 5.19 (1 H, dd, J=6, 9 Hz, H-1), 4.65 (1 H, dd, J=9, 11 Hz, H-1'), 4.20 (1 H, m, J=2 Hz, H-3), 3.45 (1 H, m, H-2), 3.10 (1 H, m, H-15), 2.75 (1 H, m, H-15'), 2.47, 2.35 (1 H each, m, H-14, H-14'), 2.05–2.2 (2 H, m, H-4, H-5), 1.8–2.05 (2 H, m, H-4', H-5'), 1.42 (3 H, s, H-20) ppm; LRMS (12 eV), m/z (relative intensity) 340 (M⁺, 19), 322 (100), 307 (49), 284 (15), 279 (24).

Acetylation of 5 and 7. Approximately 2 mg of 5 or 6 was warmed in \sim 1:1 acetic anhydride/pyridine for about 3 h. The diacetate products were purified by silica gel chromatography using a Waters SEP-PAK cartridge (eluted with chloroform) to give diacetates 6 and 8.

Diacetate 6: ¹H NMR 8.40 (1 H, s, H-11), 8.26 (1 H, s, H-18), 6.19 (1 H, dd, H-13), 5.27 (1 H, m, H-3), 4.67 (1 H, m, H-1), 4.37 (1 H, dd, H-1'), 3.60 (1 H, m, H-2), 2.95 (1 H, m, H-15), 2.73 (1 H, m, H-15'), 2.16, 1.99 (each 3 H, s, OAc), 1.59 (3 H, s, H-20) ppm; LRMS (12 eV), m/z (relative intensity) 306 (M⁺ – OAc, CH₃CO, 100), 291 (55).

Diacetate 8: 1 H NMR 8.28 (1 H, s, H-11), 7.51 (1 H, s, H-18), 7.48 (1 H, s, H-1), 6.12, 6.06 (each 1 H, t, H-13, H-16), 2.80 (1 H, ddd, H-3), 2.63 (1 H, m, H-3'), 2.11, 1.99 (each 3 H, s, OAc), 1.48 (3 H, s, H-20); LRMS (12 eV), m/z (relative intensity) 424 (M⁺, 21), 382 (60), 282 (28).

Adociaquinone A (9): 18 mg, yellow solid; slowly decomposes above 300 °C; $[\alpha]_D$ +25°; UV (ethanol) $\lambda_{\rm max}$ (nm) 294 (ϵ 16 800), 249 (29 200); IR (KBr) 3400 (br), 1690 (sh), 1675, 1590, 1450, 1330, 1290, 1220, 1125 cm⁻¹; ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, Tables II and III; LRMS (12 eV), m/z (relative intensity) 423 (M⁺, 80), 408 (M⁺ – CH₃, 100), 359 (M⁺ – SO₂, 61), 344 (359 – CH₃, 68), 333 (29), 318 (46), 281 (13), 207 (57).

Adociaquinone B (10): 10 mg, yellow solid; slowly decomposes above 300 °C; $[\alpha]_D$ +22°; UV (ethanol) λ_{max} (nm) 340 (ϵ 12 000), 288 (36 000); IR (KBr) 3360, 1690 (sh), 1675, 1585, 1335, 1310,

1290, 1130 cm $^{-1}$; $^{1}\mathrm{H}$ and $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ data, Tables II and III; LRMS (12 eV), m/z (relative intensity) 423 (M $^{+}$, 10), 408 (10), 389 (10), 383 (9), 361 (55), 359 (62), 344 (44), 333 (62), 318 (88), 207 (100); HRMS (EI) 359.114 14 (C $_{22}\mathrm{H}_{17}\mathrm{NO}_4$, M $^{+}$ – SO $_2$, requires 359.115 76) and 333.099 38 (C $_{20}\mathrm{H}_{15}\mathrm{NO}_4$ requires 333.100 11).

3-Ketoadociaquinone A (11): 8 mg, yellow solid; slowly decomposes above 300 °C; $[\alpha]_D$ +65.4°; UV (ethanol) λ_{\max} (nm) 288 (ϵ 26 000), 238 (26 200); IR (KBr) 3250, 1670, 1590, 1440, 1325, 1280, 1210, 1120 cm⁻¹; ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data, Tables II and III; LRMS (12 eV), m/z (relative intensity) 437 (M⁺, 38), 422 (M⁺ – CH₃, 20), 390 (13), 373 (M⁺ – SO₂, 100), 358 (M⁺ – SO₂, CH₃, 81), 347 (86), 322 (8.5), 319 (10), 207 (44).

Addition of Hypotaurine to Naphthoquinone. Ten milligrams (0.063 mmol) of freshly sublimed naphthoquinone was dissolved in 1 mL of 1:1 ethanol/acetonitrile to which was added 7 mg (0.065 μ mol) of hypotaurine. Water (0.5 mL) was added to dissolve the hypotaurine, and the solution was heated over a steam bath for approximately 1 min. A yellow product, 12 (3.5 mg, 20% yield) precipitated from this solution after cooling for several minutes at room temperature: mp >300 °C; UV (ethanol) λ_{max} (nm) 290 (ϵ 3200), 255 (6200); IR (KBr) 3260, 1690, 1595, 1570, 1360, 1340, 1310, 1275, 1060, 1020 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃ with 10% CF₃COOD) 8.15 (dd, 7.7; 3.9), 7.91 (t, 7.7), 7.79 (t, 7.7), 4.22 (m), 3.52 (m) ppm; ¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆) 178.7, 174.5, 146.0, 135.6, 132.8, 132.4, 129.8, 126.3, 125.7, 111.2, 48.2, signal of methylene carbon adjacent to the sulfone is assumed to be covered by the solvent signal; LRMS (12 eV), m/z (relative intensity) 263 (M⁺, 100), 199 (43), 171 (37), 170 (38), 154 (10).

Synthesis of 9 and 10 from Xestoquinone. To a solution of 65 mg of xestoquinone in 1.5 mL of 1:1 ethanol/acetonitrile was added a hot solution of hypotaurine (27 mg) in ethanol (0.5 mL). The mixture was heated over a steam bath for approximately 1 min. Analysis of the reaction mixture by TLC indicated that all of the xestoquinone had reacted. The solvent was evaporated and chloroform/methanol added to the residue. Filtration of this solution yielded 14 mg of a yellow solid, which was identified by TLC, NMR, and MS as 10: FAB HRMS 424.0967 [C $_{22}$ H $_{18}$ O $_6$ NS (M + H $^+$) requires 424.0855], 446.0753 [C $_{22}$ H $_{17}$ O $_6$ NSNa (M + Na $^+$) requires 446.0674]. The filtrate was chromatographed by preparative TLC (CHCl $_3$ /MeOH, 95:5) to give 6 mg of a second yellow solid, which was identified as 9 by TLC, NMR, and LRMS.

Synthesis of 11 and 13 (3-Ketoadociaquinone B) from Halenaquinone. Nine milligrams of 2 was reacted as described above for 1. The products were separated by preparative TLC as above. The less polar product was identified as 11 by TLC and 1 H NMR. Only a small amount of a second, more polar product 13 was isolated; 1 H NMR, Table II; LRMS, m/z (relative intensity) 374 (29), 373 (M⁺ – SO₂, 100), 347 (34), 332 (32).

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