

Amphidinolide Y, a Novel 17-Membered Macrolide from Dinoflagellate *Amphidinium* sp.: Plausible Biogenetic Precursor of Amphidinolide X

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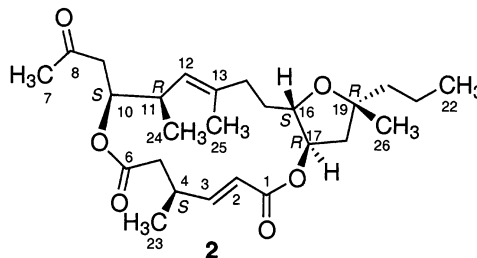
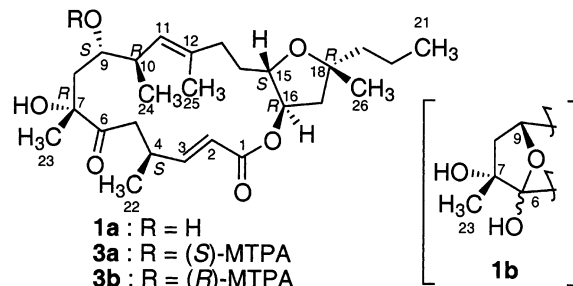
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Abstract: A novel cytotoxic 17-membered macrolide, amphidinolide Y (**1**), has been isolated from a marine dinoflagellate *Amphidinium* sp., and it was elucidated to exist as a 9:1 equilibrium mixture of 6-keto- and 6(9)-hemiacetal forms (**1a** and **1b**, respectively) on the basis of 2D NMR data and chemical means. The feeding experiments with ¹³C-labeled acetates suggested that amphidinolide Y (**1**) may be a biogenetic precursor of 16-membered macrodiolide, amphidinolide X (**2**).

In our continuing search for bioactive secondary metabolites from laboratory-cultured marine dinoflagellates,¹ a novel cytotoxic 16-membered macrodiolide, amphidinolide X (**2**), has been isolated from a dinoflagellate *Amphidinium* sp. (strain Y-42), which is a symbiont of Okinawan marine acoel flatworm *Amphiscolops* sp.² Amphidinolide X (**2**) is the first macrodiolide consisting of polyketide-derived diacid and diol units from natural sources. Our search for biosynthetic precursors of this unique macrodiolide resulted in the isolation of a novel 17-membered macrolide, designated amphidinolide Y (**1**), from the same strain. Here, we describe the isolation and structure elucidation of **1** and its labeling patterns with acetates.

The dinoflagellate *Amphidinium* sp. (strain Y-42) was separated from a marine flatworm *Amphiscolops* sp. collected off Sunabe, Okinawa. The dinoflagellate was mass cultured unialgally at 25 °C for 14 days in a seawater medium enriched with 1% ES supplement and ¹³C-labeled NaHCO₃. The harvested algal cells (315 g, wet weight, from 500 L of culture) were extracted with MeOH/toluene (3:1), and the extracts were partitioned between toluene and water. The toluene-soluble materials were subjected to a silica gel column (CHCl₃/MeOH) followed by C₁₈ HPLC (CH₃CN/H₂O) to afford amphidinolide Y (**1**, 0.0007%, wet weight) together with known



macrolides, amphidinolides G³ (0.0008%), H³ (0.0007%), W⁴ (0.009%), and X² (**2**, 0.0004%). In the ¹³C NMR spectrum, 10% enrichments for all carbon signals of **1** were observed.

Amphidinolide Y (**1**) had the molecular formula of C₂₆H₄₂O₆ as revealed by HRESIMS [*m/z* 473.2875 (M + Na)⁺, -0.4 mmu]. IR absorptions at 3450 and 1711 cm⁻¹ were attributed to hydroxyl(s) and carbonyl group(s), respectively. ¹H and ¹³C NMR data of **1** (Table 1) in CDCl₃ disclosed the existence of a ketone, an ester carbonyl, an sp² quaternary carbon, three sp² methines, two oxygenated sp³ quaternary carbons, five sp³ methines (three of which were oxygenated ones), seven sp³ methylenes, and six methyl groups (three of which resonated as a singlet signal each due to connection to a quaternary carbon). In the ¹H NMR spectrum of **1**, a set of proton resonances were observed in a ratio of 9:1,⁵ while the ¹³C NMR spectrum showed some minor signals including a hemiacetal carbon (δ_C 104.56), indicating that **1** existed as a 9:1 equilibrium mixture of 6-keto and 6(9)-hemiacetal forms (**1a** and **1b**, respectively). Since four out of six unsaturations were accounted for, the 6-keto form (**1a**) of amphidinolide Y (**1**) was inferred to contain two rings. Interpretation of the ¹H-¹H COSY, TOCSY, and HMQC spectra revealed proton connectivities of the following units: (**a**) from H-2 to H₂-5 and H₃-22, (**b**) from H₂-8 to H-11 and H₃-24, (**c**) from H₂-13 to H₂-17, and (**d**) from H₂-19 to H₃-21 (Figure 1). ¹H and ¹³C NMR data of three partial structures, **a**, **c**, and **d**, in **1a** were similar to those of the corresponding portions of amphidinolide X (**2**).

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(5) ¹H NMR chemical shifts of the 6(9)-hemiacetal form (**1b**) were assigned by the NOESY spectrum: δ_H 6.84 (H-3), 5.04 (H-11), 5.03 (H-16), 3.99 (H-15), 3.80 (H-9), 2.72 (H-4), 2.10 (H-8a), 1.96 (H-14a), 1.76 (H-5b), 1.60 (H-8b), 1.58 (H₃-25), 1.56 (H-5a), and 1.26 (H₃-23).

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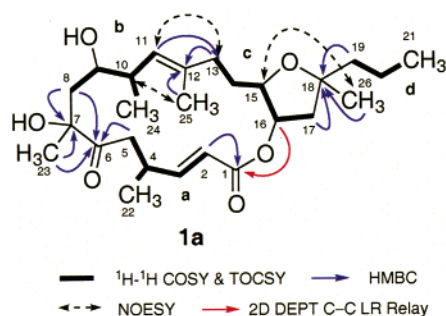
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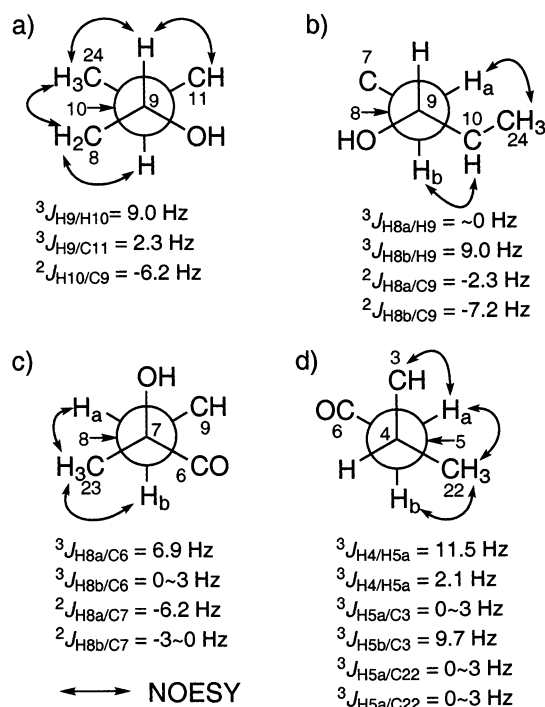
TABLE 1. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR Data of 6-Keto Form (**1a**) of Amphidinolide Y (**1**) in CDCl_3

position	δ_{C}	δ_{H}	(m, Hz)
1	165.81, s		
2	120.05, d	5.78	d, 15.6
3	153.56, d	6.59	dd, 9.5, 15.6
4	32.07, d	3.06	m
5a ^a	42.60, t	2.94	dd, 11.5, 17.8
5b ^a		2.38	dd, 2.1, 17.8
6	211.09, s		
7	77.26, s		
8a ^a	44.94, t	1.97	d, 14.5
8b ^a		1.76	dd, 9.0, 14.5
9	71.01, d	3.11	t, 9.0
10	39.23, d	2.25	m
11	128.61, d	4.86	m
12	138.21, s		
13	34.74, t	2.13 ^b	m
14a ^a	33.97, t	1.86	m
14b ^a		1.48	m
15	79.99, d	3.92	dt, 4.1, 11.0
16	78.67, d	4.87	m
17a ^a	42.67, t	2.10	dd, 7.4, 14.3
17b ^a		1.76	dd, 2.4, 14.3
18	82.96, s		
19	44.85, t	1.47 ^b	m
20	17.82, t	1.32 ^b	m
21	14.55, t	0.91	t, 7.0
22	19.89, q	1.10 ^c	d, 6.6
23	26.58, q	1.35 ^c	s
24	16.84, q	0.87 ^c	d, 6.5
25	17.51, q	1.70 ^c	brs
26	25.74, q	1.23 ^c	s

^a a and b denote low-field and high-field resonances, respectively, of a geminal pair for C-5, C-8, C-14, and C-17. ^b 2H. ^c 3H.

**FIGURE 1.** Selected 2D (a) ^1H – ^1H and ^1H – ^{13}C and (b) ^{13}C – ^{13}C correlations for amphidinolide X (**1**).

The geometry of the disubstituted olefin (C-2–C-3) in **a** was assigned as *E* by the ^1H – ^1H coupling constant [$J(\text{H-2}/\text{H-3})$ 15.6 Hz]. Connections among partial structures **a** and **b** through a ketone carbonyl (C-6; δ_{C} 211.09) and an oxygenated quaternary carbon (C-7; δ_{C} 77.26) were assigned by HMBC correlations of H_2 -5 (δ_{H} 2.94 and 2.38)/C-6, H-8a (δ_{H} 1.97)/C-6, H-8a/C-7, H_3 -23 (δ_{H} 1.35, 3H, s)/C-6, and H_3 -23/C-7. HMBC correlations for H_2 -13 (δ_{H} 2.13, 2H)/C-12 (δ_{C} 138.21), H_3 -25 (δ_{H} 1.70)/C-12, and H-11 (δ_{H} 4.86)/C-13 (δ_{C} 34.74) suggested the presence of a trisubstituted double bond at C-11–C-12, which was assigned as *E*-geometry by NOESY cross-peaks for H-10 (δ_{H} 2.25)/ H_3 -25 and H-11 (δ_{H} 4.86)/ H_2 -13. Connectivities among C-17, C-19, and C-26 through C-18 were deduced from HMBC correlations of H-17a (δ_{H} 2.10)/C-18 (δ_{C} 82.96), H_2 -19 (δ_{H} 1.47, 2H)/C-18, and H_3 -26 (δ_{H} 1.23)/C-18. The existence of an ether linkage between C-15 and C-18 was implied by the NOESY correlation for H-15/

**FIGURE 2.** Rotation models for (a) C-9–C-10, (b) C-8–C-9, (c) C-7–C-8, and (d) C-4–C-5 bonds in the 6-keto form (**1a**) of amphidinolide Y (**1**).

H_3 -26, thereby constructing a tetrahydrofuran ring with *syn*-relation for H-15/C-26 (Figure 2). The ester carbonyl (C-1) was shown to be adjacent to C-2 by an HMBC correlation of H-2 (δ_{H} 5.78) to C-1 (δ_{C} 165.81). The relatively lower-field resonance of H-16 (δ_{H} 4.87) suggested that C-16 was involved in the ester linkage with C-1. Although no HMBC correlation for H-16 to C-1 was observed, a two-bond correlation for C-16 (δ_{C} 78.67)/C-1 was observed in the 2D DEPT C–C LR Relay spectrum,⁶ indicating that the ester linkage existed between C-1 and C-16. Thus, the gross structure of the 6-keto form of amphidinolide Y (**1**) was elucidated to be **1a**.

The relative stereochemistry of the tetrahydrofuran ring in **1a** was deduced to be H-15/H-16-*anti* and H-15/C-26-*syn*, which were the same as those of the corresponding portion in **2**, from NOESY correlations as shown in Figure 2. The relative configurations at C-4, C-7, C-9, and C-10 of **1a** were elucidated on the basis of the *J*-based configuration analysis,⁷ and long-range ^{13}C – ^1H coupling constants obtained from the HETLOC⁸ and JIMPEACH-MBC⁹ spectra. The relative configuration for C-9–C-10 bond was assigned as erythro by $J(\text{H-9}/\text{H-10})$ (9.0 Hz), $J(\text{C-11}/\text{H-9})$ (2.3 Hz), and $J(\text{C-9}/\text{H-10})$ (–6.2 Hz) values as well as NOESY correlations for H-8a/ H_3 -24, H-8b/H-10, H-9/H-11, and H-9/ H_3 -24 (Figure 2a).

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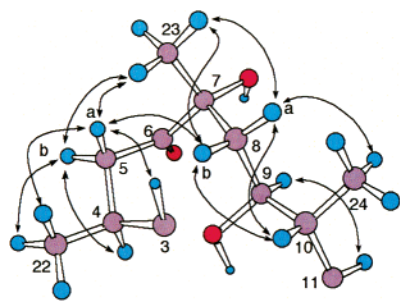


FIGURE 3. NOESY correlations for the C-3–C-11 portion in the 6-keto form (**1a**) of amphidinolide Y (**1**).

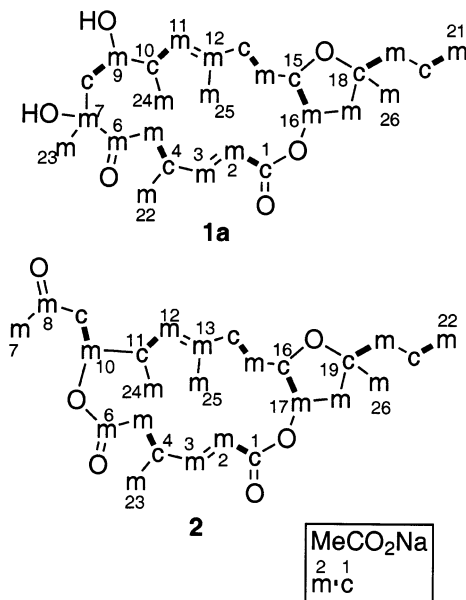


FIGURE 4. Labeling patterns of the 6-keto form (**1a**) of amphidinolide Y (**1**) and amphidinolide X (**2**) resulting from feeding experiments with ^{13}C -labeled acetates.

From analyses of rotation models for the C-8–C-9 and C-7–C-8 bonds (Figures 2b and 2c, respectively), the relative configuration of the 1,3-diol at C-7 and C-9 was assigned as a syn-relation (Figure 3). For the C-4–C-5 bond (Figure 2d), relations between C-6 and C-22 and between H-5b and C-3 were elucidated to be both anti. Since NOESY correlations were observed for H₂-5/H₃-23 and H-5a/H-8a, conformation of the C-4–C-10 portion was elucidated as shown in Figure 4, in which the relative configurations at C-4, C-9, and C-10 of **1a** were the same as those of C-4, C-10, and C-11 in amphidinolide X (**2**).²

To determine the absolute stereochemistry of amphidinolide Y (**1**), application of modified Mosher's method¹⁰ for C-9 and oxidative cleavage of the C-6–C-7 bond were carried out as follows. $\Delta\delta$ values ($\Delta\delta = \delta_S - \delta_R$) obtained from ^1H NMR data of 9-(*S*)- and 9-(*R*)-MTPA esters (**3a** and **3b**, respectively) showed negative values for H-4 (–0.02), H₂-5 (both –0.02), H₂-8 (–0.02 and –0.11), and H₃-23 (–0.01), while those of H-10 (+0.07), H-11 (+0.06), and H₃-24 (+0.14) were positive, suggesting that C-9 possessed *S*-configuration. Amphidinolide Y (**1**) was

treated with lead tetraacetate to afford amphidinolide X (**2**), of which the spectral data including the CD spectrum [λ_{ext} 224 nm ($\Delta\epsilon$ –7.9)] were the same as those of natural specimen of **2** [λ_{ext} 225 nm ($\Delta\epsilon$ –8.7)]. Therefore, the absolute configurations at seven chiral centers were assigned as 4*S*, 7*R*, 9*S*, 10*R*, 15*S*, 16*R*, and 18*R*.

Feeding experiments with [$1\text{-}^{13}\text{C}$], [$2\text{-}^{13}\text{C}$], and [$1,2\text{-}^{13}\text{C}$] sodium acetates were carried out as reported previously,¹¹ and ^{13}C -labeled amphidinolide Y (**1**) was separated by the same procedure as described before. The ^{13}C NMR spectra (CDCl_3 and C_6D_6) of **1** derived from [$1\text{-}^{13}\text{C}$] sodium acetate showed significant enrichment of 8 carbons (C-1, C-4, C-8, C-10, C-13, C-15, C-18, and C-20). On the other hand, enrichment by [$2\text{-}^{13}\text{C}$] sodium acetate was observed for 18 carbons (C-2, C-3, C-5, C-6, C-7, C-9, C-11, C-12, C-14, C-16, C-17, C-19, C-21, C-22, C-23, C-24, C-25, and C-26), though intensity ratios for C-6, C-7, and C-12 were less than those of others. One-bond C–C couplings for C-1/C-2 (J_{CC} , 73 Hz), C-4/C-5 (J_{CC} ; 32 Hz), C-8/C-9 (41 Hz), C-10/C-11 (44 Hz), C-13/C-14 (35 Hz), C-15/C-16 (40 Hz), C-18/C-19 (J_{CC} , 40 Hz), and C-20/C-21 (J_{CC} , 35 Hz) revealed the incorporation of eight intact acetates, suggesting the presence of two acetates from C-1 to C-2 and from C-4 to C-5 and three diketides from C-8 to C-11, from C-13 to C-16, and from C-18 to C-21. The C₁ branches at C-22, C-23, C-24, C-25, and C-26 were all derived from C-2 of acetates, in which the carbonyl carbons were lost. All 26 carbon signals contained in the 6-keto form (**1a**) of amphidinolide Y (**1**) were shown to be labeled by acetates (Figure 4). These incorporation patterns suggested that **1a** was generated from three diketide units, two acetate units, three isolated "m" units from C-2 of acetates, a "m–m" unit, and five branched C₁ units from C-2 of acetates. The labeling patterns at C-1–C-6 and C-23–C-7–C-21 parts in **1a** corresponded to those at diacid and diol units in amphidinolide X (**2**), indicating that **2** might be generated from **1a** through oxidative cleavage at the C-6–C-7 position of the minor 6(9)-hemiacetal form (**1b**).

The 6-keto form (**1a**) of amphidinolide Y (**1**) is a new 17-membered macrolide possessing a tetrahydrofuran ring, five branched methyls, a ketone, and two hydroxyl groups, and **1b** is 6(9)-hemiacetal isomer of **1a**. Amphidinolide Y (**1**) is considered to be a biogenetic precursor of amphidinolide X (**2**). Amphidinolide Y (**1**) exhibited cytotoxicity against murine lymphoma L1210 and human epidermoid carcinoma KB cells in vitro with IC₅₀ values of 0.8 and 8.0 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$, respectively.

Experimental Section

Cultivation and Isolation. The dinoflagellate *Amphidinium* sp. (strain no. Y-42) was separated from the inside cells of the marine acoe flatworm *Amphiscolops* sp., which was collected off Sunabe, Okinawa. The dinoflagellate was uniaxially cultured at 25 °C for 2 weeks in seawater medium enriched with 1% ES supplement and ^{13}C -labeled sodium bicarbonate (100 mg/L). The harvested cells (315 g, wet weight, from 500 L of culture) were extracted with MeOH/toluene (3:1, 1 L \times 3). After addition of 1 M NaCl aq (1 L), the mixture was extracted with toluene (1 L \times 3). Parts (1.27 g) of the toluene-soluble fractions (3.78 g) were subjected to a silica gel column ($\text{CHCl}_3/\text{MeOH}$, 98:2) and a Sep-Pak cartridge C₁₈ (MeOH/H₂O, 8:2) followed by C₁₈ HPLC

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[Mightysil RP-18, 5 μ m, Kanto Chemical Co., Inc., 10 \times 250 mm; eluent, CH₃CN/H₂O (85:15); flow rate, 3 mL/min; UV detection at 220 nm] to afford amphidinolide Y (**1**, 2.3 mg, 0.0007%, wet weight, t_R 14 ~ 16 min) and together with amphidinolides G (0.0008%), H (0.0007%), W (0.009%), and X (**2**, 0.004%).

Amphidinolide Y (1): a colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{17}_D$ -33° (c 1.0, CHCl₃); UV (EtOH) λ_{max} 208 nm (ϵ 12 400); IR (neat) ν_{max} 3450, 2928, and 1711 cm⁻¹; FABMS m/z 433 (M - H₂O + H)⁺ and 451 (M + H)⁺; ESIMS m/z 451 (M + H)⁺ and 473 (M + Na)⁺; HRESIMS m/z 473.2875 [calcd for C₂₆H₄₂O₆Na (M + Na)⁺, 473.2879].

(S)-MTPA Ester (3a) of Amphidinolide Y (1). To a CH₂-Cl₂ solution (50 μ L) of amphidinolide Y (**1**, 0.18 mg) was added 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (50 μ g), triethylamine (5 μ L), and (*R*)-(-)-MTPACl (1.5 μ L) at 4 $^\circ$ C, and stirring was continued for 3 h. After addition of *N,N*-dimethyl-1,3-propanediamine (5 μ L) and evaporation of solvent, the residue was subjected to C₁₈ HPLC (TSK-gel ODS-100S, Tosoh Co., Ltd., 4.6 \times 250 mm; eluent CH₃-CN/H₂O, 95:5; flow rate, 1.0 mL/min; UV detection at 230 nm) to give 9-(*S*)-MTPA ester (**3a**, 0.1 mg, t_R 12.6 min) of amphidinolide Y (**1**) as colorless oil: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.89 (3H, t, J = 7.0 Hz, H₃-21), 0.96 (3H, d, J = 6.5 Hz, H₃-24), 1.15 (3H, d, J = 6.6 Hz, H₃-22), 1.20 (3H, s, H₃-26), 1.30 (2H, m, H₂-20), 1.36 (3H, s, H₃-23), 1.40 (1H, m, H-8), 1.45–1.54 (3H, m, H-14 and H₂-19), 1.55 (1H, m, H-8), 1.66 (3H, s, H₃-25), 1.74 (1H, dd, J = 2.0, 14.2 Hz, H-17), 1.81 (1H, m, H-14), 2.12 (2H, m, H₂-13), 2.14 (1H, dd, J = 7.8, 14.2 Hz, H-17), 2.51 (1H, m, H-5), 2.55 (1H, m, H-5), 2.56 (1H, m, H-10), 3.00 (1H, m, H-4), 3.51 (3H, s, OCH₃), 3.85 (1H, m, H-15), 4.95 (1H, brt, J = 4.0 Hz, H-16), 5.13 (1H, brd, J = 8.0 Hz, H-9), 5.50 (1H, d, J = 8.5 Hz, H-11), 5.72 (1H, d, J = 15.6 Hz, H-2), 6.52 (1H, dd, J = 9.3, 15.6 Hz, H-3), 7.39 (3H, m, Ph), and 7.62 (2H, m, Ph); FABMS m/z 667 (M + H)⁺; HRFABMS m/z 667.3435 [calcd for C₃₄H₅₀O₈F₃ (M + H)⁺, 667.3458].

(R)-MTPA Ester (3b) of Amphidinolide Y (1). Amphidinolide Y (**1**, 0.44 mg) was treated with 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (50 μ g), triethylamine (5 μ L), and (*S*)-(+)-MTPACl (1.5 μ L) by the same procedure as described above to afford the 9-(*R*)-MTPA ester (**3b**, 0.1 mg, t_R 12.4 min) of amphidinolide Y (**1**) as colorless oil: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.82 (3H, d, J = 6.5 Hz, H₃-24), 0.89 (3H, t, J = 7.0 Hz, H₃-21), 1.15 (3H, d, J = 6.6 Hz, H₃-22), 1.23 (3H, s, H₃-26), 1.30 (2H, m, H₂-20), 1.37 (3H, s, H₃-23), 1.40–1.54 (4H, m, H-14, H-8, and H₂-19), 1.57 (1H, m, H-8), 1.61 (3H, s, H₃-25), 1.72 (1H, dd, J = 2.0, 14.2 Hz, H-17), 1.76 (1H, m, H-14), 2.06 (2H, m, H₂-13), 2.12 (1H, dd, J = 7.8, 14.2 Hz, H-17), 2.49 (1H, m, H-10), 2.53 (1H, m, H-5), 2.57 (1H, m, H-5), 3.02 (1H, m, H-4), 3.53 (3H, s, OCH₃), 3.82 (1H, m, H-15),

4.94 (1H, brt, J = 4.0 Hz, H-16), 5.06 (1H, brd, J = 8.0 Hz, H-9), 5.44 (1H, d, J = 8.5 Hz, H-11), 5.72 (1H, d, J = 15.6 Hz, H-2), 6.53 (1H, dd, J = 9.3, 15.6 Hz, H-3), 7.38 (3H, m, Ph), and 7.60 (2H, m, Ph); FABMS m/z 667 (M + H)⁺; HRFABMS m/z 667.3467 [calcd for C₃₄H₅₀O₈F₃ (M + H)⁺, 667.3458].

Oxidation of Amphidinolide Y (1) with Lead Tetraacetate. Amphidinolide Y (**1**, 0.2 mg) was treated with lead tetraacetate (0.5 mg) in EtOAc (50 μ L) at room temperature for 15 h. After filtration of insoluble materials, the solvent was evaporated to afford amphidinolide X (**2**, 0.1 mg) as a colorless oil: CD (MeOH) λ_{ext} 224 nm ($\Delta\epsilon$ -7.9); FABMS m/z 449 (M + H)⁺; HRFABMS m/z 449.2918 [calcd for C₂₆H₄₁O₆ (M + H)⁺, 449.2903]. ¹H NMR data of **2** were consistent with those of natural specimen.

Feeding Experiments with ¹³C-Labeled Precursors. The dinoflagellate cultured in a 100 L nutrient-enriched seawater medium was supplemented with [1-¹³C], [2-¹³C], or [1,2-¹³C₂] sodium acetate (610 μ M) in one portion at 4 days after inoculation, and then the culture was harvested by centrifugation after 14 days to obtain cells of the dinoflagellate (70 g as an average, wet weight). Extraction and isolation of amphidinolide Y (**1**) from the harvested cells were carried out through the same procedure as described above. The ¹³C-labeled amphidinolide Y (**1**) was obtained in 0.001% yield as an average from wet weight of the cells.

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Supporting Information Available: General method, isotope incorporation results, spectral data of **1**, and an overlay of ¹H NMR spectra of **2** derived from **1** and the natural specimen. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at <http://pubs.acs.org>.

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