

Stereoselective construction of optically active bicyclo[3.3.0]octenone derivatives based on the Pauson–Khand reaction

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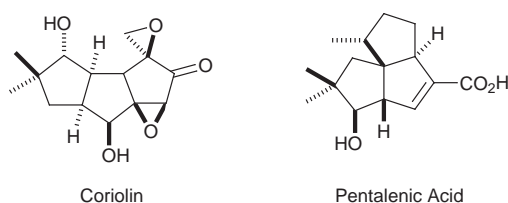
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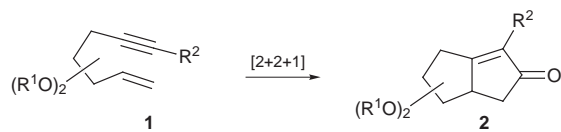
A new procedure for synthesis of optically active bicyclo[3.3.0]octenone derivatives possessing two distinguishable hydroxy groups was developed based on the intramolecular Pauson–Khand reaction of optically active enynes, which were easily prepared from dimethyl L-tartrate. (4*S*,5*S*)-4,5-bis(*tert*-butyldimethylsiloxy)-7-(trimethylsilyl)hept-1-en-6-yne, for example, afforded (5*S*,7*S*,8*S*)-7,8-bis(*tert*-butyldimethylsiloxy)-2-(trimethylsilyl)bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one exclusively, whereas (3*S*,4*S*)-3,4-dihydroxy-7-(trimethylsilyl)hept-1-en-6-yne produced (5*R*,6*S*,7*S*)-6,7-dihydroxy-2-(trimethylsilyl)-bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one in a highly stereoselective manner.

Introduction

Triquinane sesquiterpenes can be mainly divided into two groups, the linear and the angular, on the basis of the fusion pattern of three five-membered rings.¹ Coriolin is a representative compound of the former group, and the basic carbon framework of pentalenic acid exhibits the structure of typical angular sesquiterpenes. An optically active bicyclo[3.3.0]octane nucleus can be regarded as the common structural feature of these two types of triquinane sesquiterpenes. Therefore, much effort² has so far been devoted to development of efficient and stereoselective synthesis of the bicyclo[3.3.0]octane framework with suitable functionalities.



The Pauson–Khand reaction,³ a formal [2+2+1] cyclisation of three components (alkyne moiety, olefin portion and carbon monoxide), is well known to be one of the most powerful methods for the construction of cyclopentenone derivatives. During the course of our programme directed towards the development of stereoselective carbon–carbon bond-formation reactions mediated by alkyne-dicobalthexacarbonyl complexes,⁴ we envisaged that intramolecular Pauson–Khand reaction of optically active enyne derivatives such as **1** possessing an ether functionality at the propynyl or allylic position would stereoselectively afford the corresponding optically active bicyclo[3.3.0]octenone derivatives **2** (Scheme 1). By taking



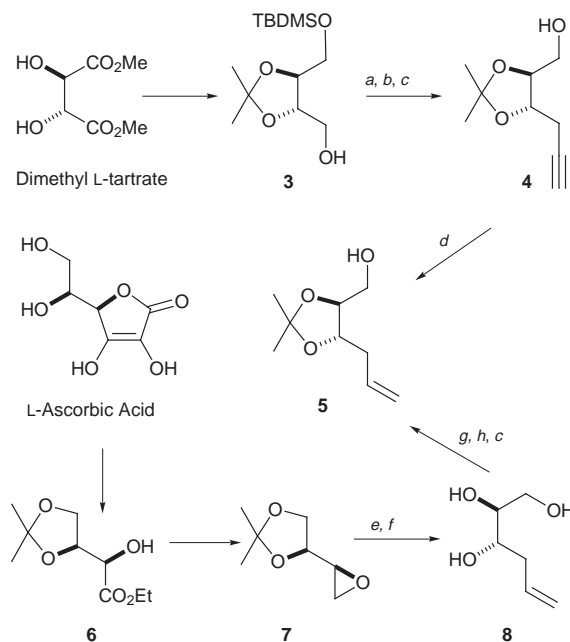
compounds **2** as the key intermediate, both types of triquinane sesquiterpenes would be synthesised in an optically active

form. We describe here a highly diastereoselective construction of optically active bicyclo[3.3.0]octenone derivatives *via* intramolecular Pauson–Khand reaction.

Results and discussion

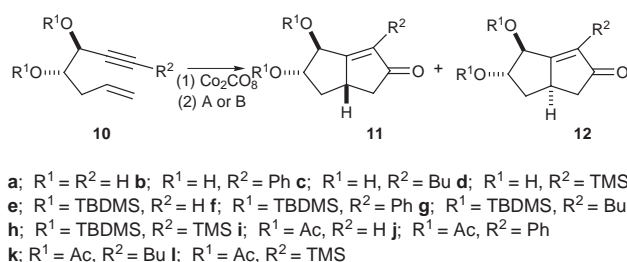
Intramolecular Pauson–Khand reaction of (4*S*,5*S*)-4,5-bis-(oxygenated)-hept-1-en-6-yne derivatives⁵

At the inception of this programme, dimethyl L-tartrate was taken as a starting material for the preparation of starting optically active enyne derivatives (Scheme 2). Treatment of



Scheme 2 Reagents: *a*, Ti_2O , Et_3N ; *b*, $\text{LiC}\equiv\text{CTMS}$, THF; *c*, TBAF; *d*, H_2 , Lindlar cat.; *e*, $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHMgBr}$, CuI; *f*, conc. HCl, MeOH; *g*, TBDMSCl, Et_3N , DMAP; *h*, $\text{Me}_2\text{C}(\text{OMe})_2$, PPTS

alcohol **3**, derived from dimethyl L-tartrate according to Kibayashi's procedure,⁶ with triflic anhydride gave the corresponding triflate,⁷ which was subsequently exposed to lithium (trimethylsilyl)acetylide⁸ at -20°C to provide, after desilylation with TBAF, ynol **4** in 47% yield. Half-reduction of the triple

Table 1 Pauson–Khand reaction of compounds **10**

Entry	Substrate	R ¹	R ²	Condition	Product (ratio) ^a 11:12	Yield (%) ^b
1	10b	H	Ph	A	81:19	57
2	10b	H	Ph	B	92:8	84
3	10c	H	Bu	A	84:16	68
4	10c	H	Bu	B	83:17	70
5	10d	H	TMS	A	100:0	62
6	10d	H	TMS	B	—	0 ^d
7	10e	TBDMS	H	A	50:50 ^e	92
8	10e	TBDMS	H	B	45:55 ^e	69
9	10f	TBDMS	Ph	A	83:17 ^e	89
10	10f	TBDMS	Ph	B	92:8 ^e	85
11	10g	TBDMS	Bu	A	90:10 ^e	80
12	10g	TBDMS	Bu	B	96:4 ^e	84
13	10h	TBDMS	TMS	A	100:0 ^e	93
14	10h	TBDMS	TMS	B	100:0 ^e	6 ^e
15	10i	Ac	H	A	76:24	60
16	10i	Ac	H	B	65:35	86
17	10j	Ac	Ph	A	87:13	96
18	10j	Ac	Ph	B	88:12	98
19	10k	Ac	Bu	A	88:12	98
20	10k	Ac	Bu	B	91:9	96
21	10l	Ac	TMS	A	100:0	86
22	10l	Ac	TMS	B	100:0	30 ^f

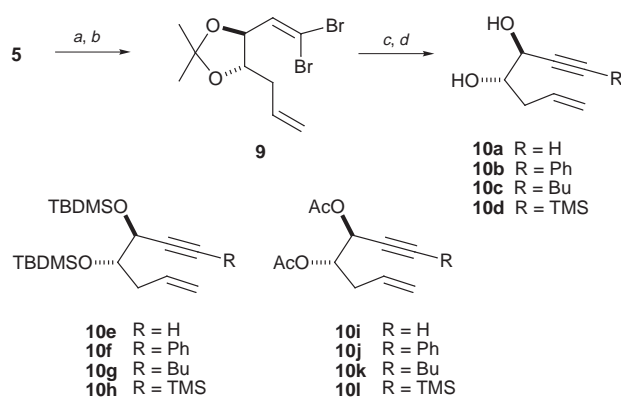
Condition A: (i) Co₂CO₈, (ii) CH₃CN, 70–75 °C. Condition B: (i) Co₂CO₈, (ii) THF, TMANO, rt.

^a Ratio between products **11** and **12** was determined on the basis of ¹H NMR spectral analysis. ^b Total yield of compounds **11** and **12**. ^c Compounds **11** and **12** could be isolated in pure form. Ratio indicated refers to isolated amounts of each isomer. ^d The starting material **10d** was recovered (35%). ^e The starting material **10h** was recovered (34%). ^f The starting material **10l** was recovered (51%).

bond of compound **4** was undertaken in the presence of Lindlar catalyst to give enol **5** in 88% yield. An alternative procedure was also developed starting from commercially available L-ascorbic acid. According to Abushanab's method,⁹ ethyl ester **6** derived from L-ascorbic acid was reduced with LAH to give the diol, which was subsequently converted into the known epoxide **7**⁹ under Mitsunobu conditions. Ring opening of the epoxy functionality in epoxide **7** was realised by Grignard reaction with vinylmagnesium bromide in the presence of copper(i) iodide to afford, after acid treatment, enetriol **8** in 80% overall yield. Protection of the primary alcohol of triol **8** with TBDMSCl was followed by successive acetonisation and desilylation to furnish compound **5** in 88% yield.

Introduction of an alkyne moiety was performed according to Corey's procedure¹⁰ (Scheme 3). Primary alcohol **5** was oxidised under Swern conditions to give the aldehyde, which was treated with triphenylphosphine and carbon tetrabromide to leave the dibromoolefin **9** in 79% yield. Treatment of dibromoolefin **9** with *n*-butyllithium effected conversion of the dibromoolefin moiety into a triple bond to provide, after deketalisation, the alkyne derivative **10a** in 75% yield. The other eleven enyne derivatives **10b–l** for intramolecular Pauson–Khand cyclisation were prepared from compound **10a** as a common synthetic intermediate by conventional means (see Experimental section).

The Pauson–Khand reaction was investigated under two different conditions. Treatment of a compound **10** with dicobaltoctacarbonyl [Co₂(CO)₈] in methylene dichloride at room

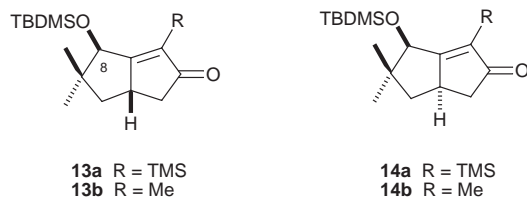


Scheme 3 Reagents: a, (COCl)₂, DMSO, Et₃N; b, PPh₃, CBr₄; c, BuLi, 0 °C; d, conc. HCl, MeOH

temperature (rt) gave the corresponding cobalt-complexed derivative. This complex was then heated in acetonitrile at 70–75 °C (condition A)¹¹ or exposed to trimethylamine *N*-oxide (TMANO) at rt (condition B).¹² The results obtained are summarised in Table 1. In the case of compound **10a**, cobalt-complexed **10a** provided two new products under both A and B conditions in a ratio of ~1:1 (monitored by TLC), but these cyclised products could not be isolated, presumably due to their instability. On exposure to thermal conditions (condition A), however, phenyl derivative **10b** afforded cyclised products **11b** and **12b** in a stereoselective manner (**11b:12b** = 81:19) in

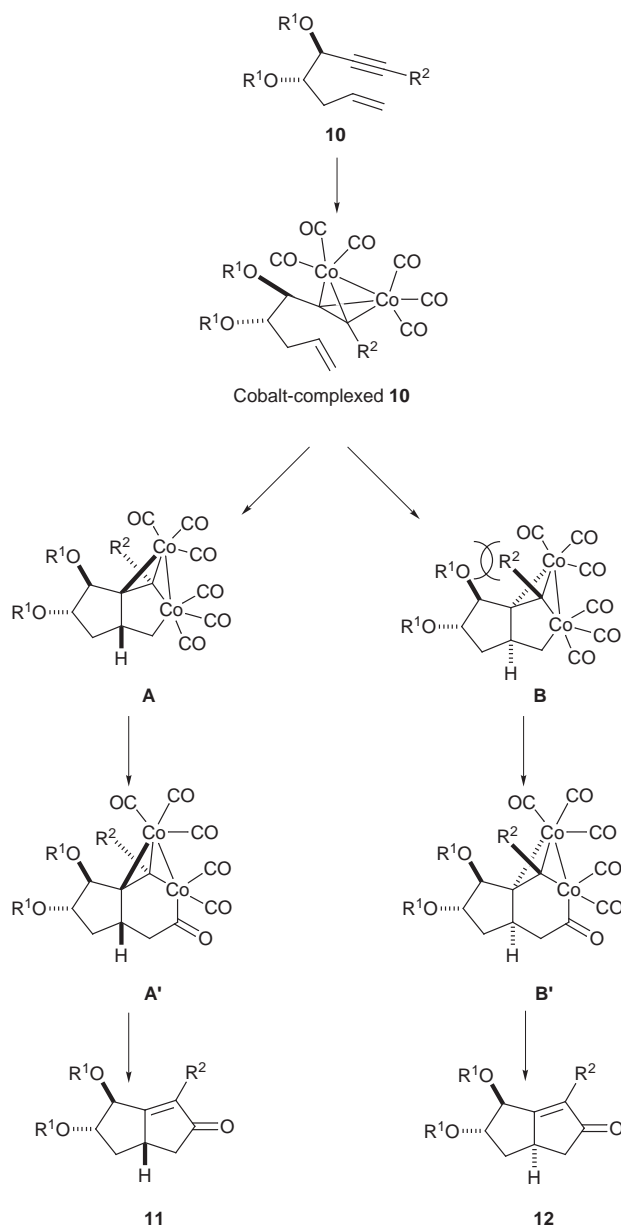
57% yield (entry 1). Highly stereoselective formation of product **11b** over isomer **12b** (92:8) was observed under condition B (entry 2). Similar selectivity and chemical yield were obtained when compound **10c** was treated under conditions A and B (entries 3,4). In addition, exclusive formation of compound **11d** in 62% yield could be attained in the case of substrate **10d** under thermal conditions (entry 5). Treatment of cobalt-complexed compound **10d** with TMANO led to decomplexation to leave the starting **10d** in 35% yield (entry 6). In a series of TBDMS derivatives **10e–h** (entries 7–14), compounds **11** were formed predominantly except for the case of compound **10e** ($R^2 = H$; entries 7,8) where products **11e** and **12e** were obtained nonselectively. Similar behaviour was recorded when acetoxy derivatives **10i–l** were submitted to intramolecular Pauson–Khand conditions (entries 15–22), although moderately preferential formation of isomer **11i** over isomer **12i** was observed in the case of substrate **10i** ($R^2 = H$, entries 15,16).

Structures of cyclised products **11** and **12** were determined by comparison of ^1H NMR spectra with the known racemic compounds **13** and **14**, whose structures were unambiguously established by chemical transformation as well as spectral evidence. The C-8 protons of *cis*-bicycles **13a** and **13b** resonate at δ 4.16 and 4.03, respectively, whereas those of their *trans*-isomers **14a** and **14b** appear at rather lower field (δ 4.72 and 4.47, respectively) in their ^1H NMR spectra. These diagnostic differences in chemical shift could be successfully applied to stereochemical assignment of our products **11** and **12**. ^1H NMR spectra of compounds **11f** and **11g**, for example, show C-8 protons at δ 4.59 and 4.45, while C-8 protons of the corresponding isomers **12f** and **12g** appear at δ 4.88 and 4.75 in their ^1H NMR spectra.



Several significant features deserve comment. Enyne derivatives having a substituent at the acetylenic terminus constantly produced the corresponding isomer **11** in a diastereoselective fashion. Although moderate selectivity was observed as aforementioned in the case of substrate **10i** ($R^1 = \text{Ac}$, $R^2 = H$), a substituent at the acetylenic terminus seems to be mandatory for high stereoselectivity in this Pauson–Khand reaction. In particular, a considerably bulky terminal substituent like the TMS group completely governs the stereochemical outcome under thermal conditions (condition A in Table 1), resulting in exclusive formation of products **11d,h,i**. This observation is in good accord with the results obtained by Magnus^{13,14} during a series of studies on the intramolecular Pauson–Khand reaction. Interestingly, TMS derivatives **10d,h,i** afforded mainly starting materials along with small amounts of cyclised products when exposed to TMANO (condition B; entries 6, 14, 22). It should be mentioned that although compounds **10a,e,i** without any substituents at the triple bond terminus gave the cyclised products nonselectively this is actually not a serious drawback to this cyclisation, since the terminal TMS group of these enynes can serve as a surrogate for the acetylenic hydrogen. Bulky substituents on the two hydroxy groups of substrates **10** were found not always to affect significantly the degree of stereoselectivity in the formation of products **11**. It is, however, obvious that the most bulky TBDMS group on these two hydroxy groups constantly provided high stereoselectivity except for the case of substrate **10e**.

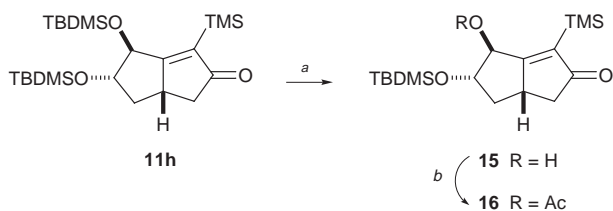
Highly preferential formation of compounds **11** over isomers **12** can be tentatively interpreted on the basis of a mechanistic hypothesis for the intramolecular Pauson–Khand reaction as proposed by Magnus¹³ (Scheme 4). Cobalt complexation of



enyne **10** with $\text{Co}_2(\text{CO})_8$ gave the corresponding dicobalt-hexacarbonyl-complexed **10**, which would in turn result in formation of two possible cobalt-metalloacyclobutanes **A** and **B** via consecutive ligand exchange between one of six carbon monoxides on the cobalt atoms and the internal olefin moiety, followed by alkene insertion into a carbon–cobalt bond. The intermediate **A** can undergo carbon monoxide insertion to give the second intermediate **A'** which would collapse to compound **11** by the following two steps, (i) migration of a carbon–cobalt bond to an adjacent carbonyl moiety and (ii) reductive elimination of the dicobalt moiety, whereas the intermediate **B** must produce the corresponding second intermediate **B'** which would undertake a similar transformation to afford product **12**. Therefore, the first step (formation of intermediates **A** and **B**) would be considered to be the process determining the reaction's stereochemical outcome. In the cobalt-metalloacyclobutane **B**, the C-8 hydroxy functionality ($R^1\text{O}$ group) at the propynyl position should have a nonbonding interaction with the substituent at

the acetylenic terminus (R^2 group) due to a kind of 1,3-pseudo-diaxial relationship in the sterically congested concave face of the transient cobaltabicyclo[3.3.0]octanone skeleton; thereby a seriously unfavourable interaction might occur. This would not be the case in the intermediate **A** where the R^1O group and R^2 substituent have a *trans* relationship. As a result, the cyclisation pathway through **A** would be preferred over that through **B**, giving rise to predominant formation of products **11**. These simple analyses, therefore, help us to explain the diastereoselective bias observed in the above intramolecular Pauson–Khand reaction where exclusive or stereoselective construction of products **11** over isomers **12** could be realised. The fact that the bulkier the substituents on the hydroxy group and/or triple bond terminus the higher the diastereoselectivity may reflect an increase of instability of **B** due to nonbonding interaction between the R^1O group and the R^2 moiety.¹³

We could develop the procedure for stereoselective construction of optically active bicyclo[3.3.0]octenone derivatives **11** from enynes **10**, which have two distinguishable hydroxy groups at allylic and homoallylic positions. Compound **11h**, for instance, gave the allylic alcohol derivative **15** in 75% yield on treatment with TBAF. Introduction of an acetyl group on the allylic hydroxy group of compound **15** was easily realised under standard conditions to provide acetate **16** in 79% yield as shown in Scheme 5. Thus, compound **11h** would be expected to be an



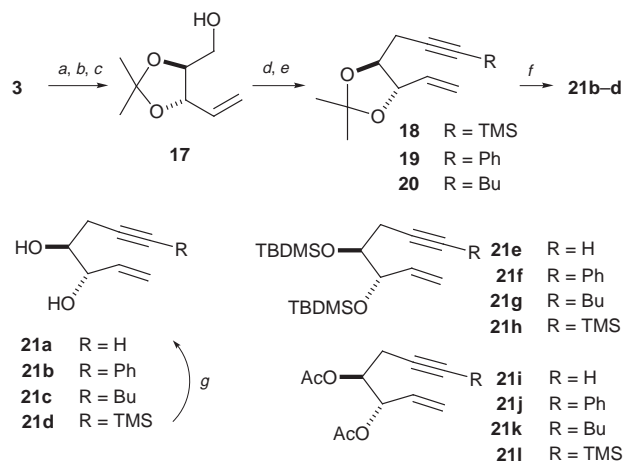
Scheme 5 Reagents: *a*, TBAF, THF; *b*, Ac_2O , Et_3N , DMAP, CH_2Cl_2

important intermediate for further manipulation aiming at synthesis of optically active triquinane sesquiterpene natural products. The next phase of our programme was to investigate the Pauson–Khand reaction of the regioisomers of compound **10**, which would be prepared from the same starting material, dimethyl L-tartrate.

Intramolecular Pauson–Khand reaction of (3*S*,4*S*)-3,4-bis(oxygenated)-hept-1-en-6-yne derivatives

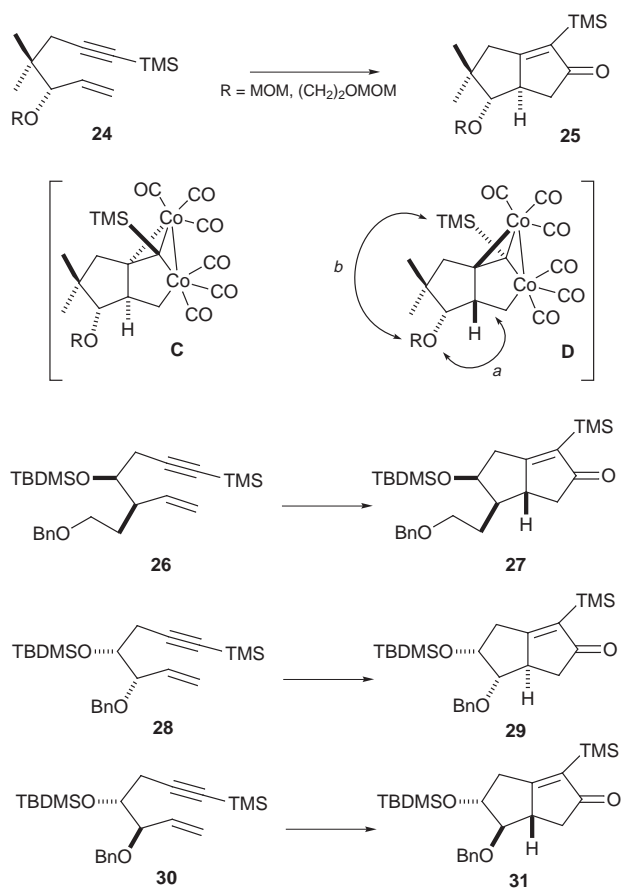
The acetonide derivative **3**,⁶ derived from dimethyl L-tartrate, was oxidised under Swern conditions to give the aldehyde, which was then exposed to Wittig reaction with methylenetriphenylphosphorane to afford, after deprotection with TBAF, the alkene derivative **17** in 80% overall yield. Activation of the hydroxy group of compound **17** as a triflate was followed by displacement with lithium (trimethylsilyl)acetylide⁸ to furnish compound **18** in 45% yield. The corresponding phenyl and butyl derivatives **19** and **20** were also prepared from alcohol **17** by changing the nucleophile from lithium (trimethylsilyl)acetylide to lithium phenylacetylide and lithium hexylide, respectively. Deketalisation of compound **18** under conventional conditions gave the dihydroxy derivative **21d** in 97% yield, treatment of which with potassium carbonate in methanol effected removal of the terminal TMS group to afford terminal alkyne **21a** in 83% yield. Compounds **19** and **20** could be easily converted into the corresponding dihydroxy derivatives **21b,c**. The TBDMS-protected and acetylated congeners **21e–l** as substrates for intramolecular Pauson–Khand reaction were derived from diols **21a–d** according to procedures described for the preparation of their regioisomeric analogues **10e–l** (Scheme 6; see Experimental section).

Prior to our present investigation, Magnus^{13a} disclosed complete control of stereoselectivity in a synthesis of 6-substituted-2-TMS-bicyclo[3.3.0]octenone skeletons by intra-

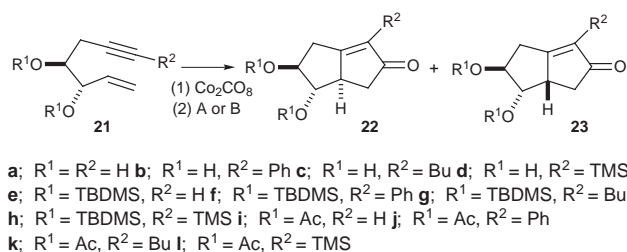


Scheme 6 Reagents: *a*, $(COCl)_2$, DMSO, Et_3N ; *b*, Ph_3PCH_2 , THF; *c*, TBAF, THF; *d*, Tf_2O , Et_3N , CH_2Cl_2 ; *e*, $LiC\equiv TMS$, DMPU, THF; *f*, $TsOH$, MeOH; *g*, K_2CO_3 , MeOH

molecular Pauson–Khand reaction where racemic enyne derivatives **24** possessing bulky substituents at the allylic position were found to produce exclusively the corresponding bicyclic compounds **25** in good yields (68 and 78% yield). This high stereochemical bias could be tentatively and understandably explained in terms of the intermediacy of cobalt-metalloacycles **C** and **D**.¹³ The intermediate **C** leading to product **25** has a *cis* arrangement between the oxygen functionality (OR) and ring-junction hydrogen, and a *trans* alignment with the TMS group as well. In the intermediate **D**, the OR appendage is placed in the concave face and therefore suffers from not only an unfavourable *cis*-1,2-relationship with the carbon-carbon framework of the five-membered metalocyclic ring (interaction *a*), but also a 1,4-pseudo-nonbonding interaction with the TMS group (interaction *b*) as depicted in Scheme 7.



Scheme 7

Table 2 Pauson–Khand reaction of compounds **21**

Entry	Substrate	R ¹	R ²	Condition	Product (ratio) ^a 22:23	Yield (%) ^b
1	21b	H	Ph	A	60:40 ^c	61
2	21b	H	Ph	B	82:18 ^c	75
3	21c	H	Bu	A	67:33 ^c	67
4	21c	H	Bu	B	94:6 ^c	70
5	21d	H	TMS	A	93:7 ^c	74
6	21d	H	TMS	B	—	0 ^d
7	21e	TBDMS	H	A	49:51 ^e	84
8	21e	TBDMS	H	B	65:35 ^e	81
9	21f	TBDMS	Ph	A	43:57 ^e	91
10	21f	TBDMS	Ph	B	53:47 ^e	82
11	21g	TBDMS	Bu	A	38:62	88
12	21g	TBDMS	Bu	B	70:30	63
13	21h	TBDMS	TMS	A	70:30	80
14	21h	TBDMS	TMS	B	83:17	62 ^f
15	21j	Ac	Ph	A	56:44	60
16	21j	Ac	Ph	B	59:41	73
17	21k	Ac	Bu	A	52:48	85
18	21k	Ac	Bu	B	57:43	83
19	21l	Ac	TMS	A	77:23	79
20	21l	Ac	TMS	B	67:33	57

Condition A: (i) Co₂CO₈, (ii) CH₃CN, 70–75 °C. Condition B: (i) Co₂CO₈, (ii) THF, TMANO, rt.

^a Ratio between products **22** and **23** was determined on the basis of ¹H NMR spectral analysis. ^b Total yield of compounds **22** and **23**. ^c Isolated as the corresponding diacetate derivatives **22j–l** and **23j–l**. ^d The starting material **21d** was recovered (49%). ^e Compounds **22** and **23** could be isolated in pure form. Ratio indicated refers to isolated amounts of each isomer. ^f In addition, the starting material **21h** was recovered (29%).

Thus exclusive formation of compounds **25** could be rationalised from the above considerations.¹³ Mulzer¹⁵ also reported an exclusive formation of optically active bicyclo[3.3.0]derivative **27** in 43% yield from the optically active enyne **26** having a bulky (benzyloxy)ethyl functionality at the allylic position (Scheme 7). Therefore, we anticipated that Pauson–Khand reaction of the *O*-TBDMS-protected enynes **21f–h** would proceed in a highly stereoselective way to afford products **22f–h** in line with the literature precedents.^{13–15}

Pauson–Khand reaction of (3*S*,4*S*)-3,4-bis(oxygenated)-hept-1-en-6-yne derivatives **21** was carried out under two different conditions^{11,12} as described for the cyclisation of analogues **10**. The results obtained are presented in Table 2. Contrary to our expectation, however, compounds **21f–h** didn't provide the corresponding bicycles **22f–h** in a stereoselective fashion (entries 9–14). In addition, acetyl derivatives **21j–l** afforded cyclised products nonselectively (entries 15–20). It should be emphasised here that highly preferential construction of compounds **22** over **23** could be observed in a series of dihydroxy compounds **21b–d** (entries 1–6). In particular, when compound **21c** with a butyl group at the acetylenic terminus was exposed to condition B, compound **22c** was obtained in a highly stereoselective manner (entry 4, **22c:23c** = 94:6). Similar high selectivity (93:7) was recognised in the case of TMS derivative **21d** under condition A (entry 5). Phenyl derivative **21b** also showed high selectivity in production of compound **22b** (entry 2). Compounds **21a** and **21i** (R² = H) could be converted into the corresponding cobalt-complexed ones, but attempted further conversion into the cyclised products was fruitless presumably due to decomposition of cyclised products

during column chromatography. The structures of the cyclised products were determined by spectral evidence and comparison with known compounds¹⁵ whose stereochemistry was already unambiguously established.

Enyne derivatives **21b–d** with the smaller substituent (a free hydroxy group) at the allylic position revealed the higher diastereoselectivity. This phenomenon is in sharp contrast to the prediction based on Magnus' working hypothesis.¹³ Enyne **24** (R = H; Scheme 7) had been shown to furnish cyclised products **25** and its C-5 epimer in the ratio 72:28 when submitted to Pauson–Khand conditions. The diastereoselectivity was obviously decreased by changing the allylic substituent from sterically bulkier ones [MOM, (CH₂)₂OMOM] to a less bulky one (H). An additional two examples resulting in unsatisfactory selectivity were also disclosed by Mulzer¹⁵ (Scheme 7). Namely, optically active enyne **28** produced the cyclised product **29** in 31% yield under Pauson–Khand conditions in moderate selectivity (**29**: its C-5 epimer = 75:25). Furthermore, optically active enyne **30**, having a very similar relative structure to that of compounds **21**, gave optically active bicycle **31** and its C-5 epimer nonselectively in rather lower yield again. Although these two compounds have the relatively bulky benzyloxy functionality at the allylic position, acceptable stereoselectivity could not be achieved. It is apparent that high stereoselectivity observed in the cases of substrates **21c**, **21d** (and **21b**) (Table 2, entries 4, 5, 2) can never be rationalised by Magnus' working hypothesis¹³ alone. The free hydroxy group at the allylic position would play an important role in governing the stereochemical outcome, although details of the mechanism still remain unclear.

Thus a highly stereoselective procedure for syntheses of (5*S*,7*S*,8*S*)-2-substituted-7,8-dioxygenated-bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one and (5*R*,6*S*,7*S*)-2-substituted-6,7-dihydroxybicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one derivatives from (4*S*,5*S*)-4,5-dioxygenated-hept-1-en-6-yne and (3*S*,4*S*)-3,4-dihydroxy-6-substituted-hept-1-en-6-yne derivatives, respectively, on the basis of the Pauson-Khand reaction was developed. This method would provide useful starting materials with two distinguishable hydroxy groups as well as an enone moiety for synthesis of optically active triquinane sesquiterpenes. Further studies on the mechanism and application of this methodology to stereoselective construction of bicyclo[4.3.0]nonenone and bicyclo[5.3.0]decenone skeletons are now in progress.

Experimental

Mps were determined on a Yanagimoto micro melting-point apparatus and are uncorrected. IR spectra were measured with a JASCO A-102 spectrometer for solutions in CHCl₃, mass spectra with Hitachi M-80 and JEOL JMS-SX 102 A mass spectrometers, optical rotations with a Horiba SEPA-300 high sensitivity polarimeter, ¹H NMR spectra with JEOL EX-270 and JEOL JNM-GX 500 spectrometers for solutions in CDCl₃ with either tetramethylsilane as an internal standard for compounds that have no silyl group or CHCl₃ (δ_{H} 7.26) for compounds possessing the silyl group, and ¹³C NMR spectra with JEOL EX-270 and JEOL JNM-GX 500 spectrometers for samples in CDCl₃ with CDCl₃ (δ_{C} 77.0) as an internal reference. All *J*-values are in Hz and $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}$ -values in 10⁻¹ deg cm² g⁻¹. CH₂Cl₂ was freshly distilled from P₂O₅, and THF from sodium/benzophenone prior to use. All reactions were carried out under nitrogen. Silica gel (Silica gel 60, 230–400 mesh, Merck) was used for chromatography. Organic extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄.

(2*S*,3*S*)-2,3-(Isopropylidenedioxy)hex-5-yn-1-ol (–)-4

To a solution of the silyl ether **3** (305 mg, 1.10 mmol) and Et₃N (335 mg, 3.31 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (13 cm³) was added a solution of trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (Tf₂O) (466 mg, 1.65 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (7.0 cm³) at –20 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at the same temperature, washed successively with saturated aq. NaHCO₃, water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. The residue was passed through a short pad of silica gel with hexane–AcOEt (10:1) to give the triflate. BuLi in hexane (1.65 mol dm⁻³; 0.67 cm³, 1.10 mmol) was added to a solution of (trimethylsilyl)acetylene (130 mg, 1.32 mmol) in THF (6.0 cm³) at 0 °C. The resulting solution of acetylide in THF was cooled to –20 °C, to which a solution of the crude triflate in a combined solution of THF and 1,3-dimethyl-3,4,5,6-tetrahydro-2(1*H*)-pyrimidone (DMPU) (12 and 3.0 cm³, respectively) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h, quenched by addition of saturated aq. NH₄Cl and extracted with diethyl ether. The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. The residue was dissolved in THF (5.0 cm³) and a solution of TBAF in THF (1.00 mol dm⁻³; 2.40 cm³, 2.40 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 1 h and diluted with ethyl acetate and the solution was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. The residue was chromatographed with hexane–AcOEt (5:1) to give *title compound* (–)-**4** (88.0 mg, 47%) as an oil (Found: C, 63.0; H, 8.2. C₉H₁₄O₃ requires C, 63.5; H, 8.3%); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{18}$ –3.0 (*c* 0.50, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3610 (OH), 3480 (OH), 3320 (C≡C–H) and 2100 (C≡C); δ_{H} 4.08–3.86 (3 H, m, 1-, 2- and 3-H), 3.71 (1 H, ddd, *J* 11.5, 7.3 and 4.3, 1-H), 2.62 (1 H, ddd, *J* 17.2, 5.0 and 2.6, 4-H), 2.51 (1 H, ddd, *J* 17.0, 6.6 and 2.6, 4-H), 2.07 (1 H, t, *J* 2.6, 6-H), 2.02 (1 H, dd, *J* 7.3 and 5.0, OH), 1.44 (3 H, s, Me) and 1.43 (3 H, s, Me); δ_{C} 109.2, 81.0, 79.3, 74.4, 70.9, 62.19, 27.1 and 22.8; *m/z* 169 (M⁺ – 1, 2.1%), 155 (91), 59 (91) and 43 (100).

(2*S*,3*S*)-2,3-(Isopropylidenedioxy)hex-5-en-1-ol (–)-5

A suspension of ynol **4** (83 mg, 0.49 mmol) and pyridine (293 mg, 3.70 mmol) in hexane (20 cm³) was hydrogenated in the presence of Lindlar catalyst (23.5 mg) under hydrogen at rt for 2 h. The catalyst was filtered off and the filtrate was concentrated to dryness. Chromatography of the residual oil with hexane–AcOEt (10:1) afforded *title compound* (–)-**5** (74.0 mg, 88%) as an oil (Found: C, 62.5; H, 9.5. C₉H₁₆O₃ requires C, 62.8; H, 9.4%); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{26}$ –23.1 (*c* 0.49, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3610 (OH), 3460 (OH) and 1645 (C=C); δ_{H} 5.84 (1 H, ddt, *J* 17.2, 10.2 and 6.9, 5-H), 5.20–5.08 (2 H, m, 6-H₂), 4.14–3.54 (4 H, m, 1-H₂, 2- and 3-H), 2.42–2.34 (2 H, m, 4-H₂), 1.86 (1 H, m, OH), 1.43 (3 H, s, Me) and 1.42 (3 H, s, Me); δ_{C} 133.5, 117.8, 108.7, 81.0, 75.8, 61.9, 37.3, 27.3 and 27.0; *m/z* 157 (M⁺ – 15, 87%), 141 (20), 131 (62), 83 (41), 79 (28), 59 (100) and 43 (29).

(2*S*,3*S*)-Hex-5-ene-1,2,3-triol (–)-8

To a suspension of copper(I) iodide (351 mg, 1.85 mmol) in THF (30 cm³) was added a solution of vinylmagnesium bromide in THF (0.87 mol dm⁻³; 14 cm³, 1.38 mmol) at –78 °C. After stirring of this mixture for 5 min, a solution of epoxide **7** (877 mg, 6.08 mmol) in THF (10 cm³) was added to the reaction mixture, which was further stirred for an additional hour before being quenched by addition of saturated aq. NH₄Cl, and extracted with Et₂O four times. The extracts were washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. The residue was dissolved in MeOH (60 cm³) to which conc. HCl (4.0 cm³) was added. The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 3 h. MeOH was evaporated off and the residue was diluted with water, and extracted with AcOEt four times. The extracts were washed with water, dried and concentrated to dryness. Chromatography of the residual oil with AcOEt gave *title compound* (–)-**8** (640 mg, 80%) as an oil (Found: C, 54.0; H, 9.0. C₆H₁₂O₃ requires C, 54.5; H, 9.2%); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25}$ –4.8 (*c* 0.21, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3390 (OH) and 1645 (C=C); δ_{H} 5.85 (1 H, m, 5-H), 5.22–5.12 (2 H, m, 6-H₂), 3.83–3.45 (4 H, m, 1-H₂, 2- and 3-H), 2.69 (1 H, br s, OH), 2.45–2.15 (4 H, m, 4-H₂ and OH); δ_{C} 134.3, 118.0, 73.4, 71.6, 64.3 and 38.0; *m/z* 132 (M⁺, 0.6%), 91 (46), 78 (26), 63 (30), 55 (22) and 43 (100).

Conversion of triol (–)-8 into alcohol (–)-5

TBDMSCl (991 mg, 6.57 mmol) was added to a solution of triol **8** (825 mg, 6.24 mmol), Et₃N (944 mg, 9.33 mmol) and DMAP (146 mg, 1.20 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 cm³) at rt. After being stirred for 2 h, the reaction mixture was quenched by addition of saturated aq. NH₄Cl and extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to leave the crude mono-TBDMS-protected product. This residue was dissolved in acetone (15 cm³) to which 2,2-dimethoxypropane (8.47 g, 81.3 mmol) and PPTS (270 mg, 1.07 mmol) were successively added. The reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 3 h and acetone was evaporated off. A solution of TBAF in THF (1.00 mol dm⁻³; 7.0 cm³, 7.00 mmol) was added to a solution of the residue in THF (15 cm³). After being stirred for 30 min at rt, the reaction mixture was quenched by addition of water and extracted with AcOEt. The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. Chromatography of the residue with hexane–AcOEt (4:1) afforded alcohol (–)-**5** (949 mg, 88%).

(3*S*,4*S*)-1,1-Dibromo-3,4-(isopropylidenedioxy)hepta-1,6-diene (–)-9

A solution of DMSO (1.28 g, 16.3 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (6.0 cm³) was gradually added to a solution of oxalyl dichloride (1.04 g, 8.16 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (6.0 cm³) at –78 °C. After stirring of the CH₂Cl₂ solution for 15 min, a solution of the alcohol **5** (611 mg, 3.55 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (6.0 cm³) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at –78 °C for 1 h. Et₃N (2.16 g, 21.3 mmol) was added to the reaction mixture, which was then gradually

warmed to rt and diluted with CH₂Cl₂. The CH₂Cl₂ solution was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness.

To a solution of PPh₃ (7.45 g, 28.4 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (12 cm³) was added a solution of CBr₄ (4.71 g, 14.2 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (12 cm³) at 0 °C and the solution was stirred for an additional 10 min. A solution of the crude aldehyde derived from alcohol **5** in CH₂Cl₂ (18 cm³) was then added to a solution of the ylide in CH₂Cl₂ at 0 °C and stirring was continued for 3 h at rt. The reaction mixture was quenched by addition of saturated aq. NaHCO₃ and extracted with CH₂Cl₂, which was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. The residual solids were washed with hexane several times and the filtrate was concentrated to leave a residue, which was chromatographed with hexane–AcOEt (40:1) to give *dibromide* (–)-**9** (914 mg, 79%) as a pale yellow oil (Found: C, 37.0; H, 4.4. C₁₀H₁₄Br₂O₂ requires C, 36.8; H, 4.3%); [α]_D²⁴ –3.2 (c 0.50, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm^{–1} 1645 (C=C) and 1620 (C=C); δ_H 6.44 (1 H, d, *J* 8.3, 2-H), 5.84 (1 H, ddt, *J* 17.2, 10.2 and 6.9, 6-H), 5.22–5.11 (2 H, m, 7-H₂), 4.33 (1 H, t, *J* 8.3, 3-H), 3.86 (1 H, ddd, *J* 8.3, 6.6 and 5.0, 4-H), 2.51–2.32 (2 H, m, 5-H₂), 1.42 (3 H, s, Me) and 1.40 (3 H, s, Me); δ_C 135.5, 133.0, 118.0, 109.6, 94.1, 80.2, 79.2, 40.0, 27.1 and 26.7; *m/z* 313 (M⁺ – 15, 3.3%), 311 (M⁺ – 15, 6.6), 309 (M⁺ – 15, 3.5), 258 (16), 96 (49) and 43 (100).

(3*S*,4*S*)-Hept-6-en-1-yne-3,4-diol (–)-**10a**

To a solution of dibromide **9** (205 mg, 0.63 mmol) in dry Et₂O (4.0 cm³) was added BuLi in hexane (1.62 mol dm^{–3}; 0.78 cm³, 1.26 mmol) at 0 °C and the reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min before being diluted with MeOH (8.0 cm³), to which conc. HCl (0.5 cm³) was added. The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 3 h and then MeOH was evaporated off. The residue was taken up with AcOEt, which was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. Chromatography of the residue with hexane–AcOEt (5:1) afforded *diol* (–)-**10a** (58 mg, 75%) as an oil (Found: C, 66.9; H, 7.9. C₇H₁₀O₂ requires C, 66.7; H, 8.0%); [α]_D¹⁸ –11.8 (c 0.50, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm^{–1} 3590 (OH), 3400 (OH), 3310 (C≡C–H) and 1645 (C=C); δ_H 5.87 (1 H, ddt, *J* 17.2, 9.6 and 7.6, 6-H), 5.23–5.15 (2 H, m, 7-H₂), 4.24 (1 H, dd, *J* 5.9 and 2.0, 3-H), 3.74 (1 H, ddd, *J* 7.9, 5.9 and 4.3, 4-H), 2.60–2.22 (4 H, m, 5-H₂ and OH) and 2.52 (1 H, d, *J* 2.0, 1-H); δ_C 133.7, 118.6, 82.0, 74.6, 73.7, 65.3 and 36.9; *m/z* 71 (M⁺ – 55, 6.2%), 56 (17) and 43 (14).

(3*S*,4*S*)-1-Phenylhept-6-en-1-yne-3,4-diol (–)-**10b**

To a solution of terminal alkyne **10a** (25 mg, 0.20 mmol) and iodobenzene (49 mg, 0.24 mmol) in THF (2.0 cm³) were successively added Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (4.2 mg, 6.0 × 10^{–3} mmol), CuI (2.3 mg, 1.2 × 10^{–2} mmol) and diisopropylamine (203 mg, 2.01 mmol) at rt. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated to leave a residual oil, which was chromatographed with hexane–AcOEt (5:1) to afford *title compound* (–)-**10b** (34 mg, 84%) as an oil (Found: C, 76.8; H, 7.0. C₁₃H₁₄O₂ requires C, 77.2; H, 7.0%); [α]_D²⁰ –36.4 (c 0.50, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm^{–1} 3590 (OH), 3400 (OH) and 2210 (C≡C); δ_H 7.45–7.40 (2 H, m, ArH), 7.32–7.25 (3 H, m, ArH), 5.90 (1 H, ddt, *J* 16.8, 9.6 and 7.6, 6-H), 5.22–5.11 (2 H, m, 7-H₂), 4.45 (1 H, d, *J* 6.6, 3-H), 3.82 (1 H, m, 4-H), 3.32 (1 H, s, OH), 3.01 (1 H, s, OH), 2.57 (1 H, m, 5-H) and 2.34 (1 H, m, 5-H); δ_C 133.9, 131.7, 128.6, 128.3, 122.1, 118.2, 87.1, 86.5, 74.1, 66.1 and 37.1; *m/z* 202 (M⁺, 1.3%), 158 (18), 132 (48), 115 (25), 104 (24), 77 (33) and 41 (15).

(4*S*,5*S*)-4,5-Bis(*tert*-butyldimethylsiloxy)hept-1-en-6-yne (–)-**10e**

To a solution of diol **10a** (58.5 mg, 0.47 mmol) and Et₃N (291 mg, 2.87 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (2.0 cm³) was added TBDMSOTf (0.33 cm³, 1.44 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 20 min at rt, quenched by addition of water, and extracted

with CH₂Cl₂ four times. The extracts were washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. Chromatography of the residue with hexane afforded *title compound* (–)-**10e** (161 mg, 98%) as an oil (Found: C, 64.0; H, 10.9. C₁₉H₃₈O₂Si₂ requires C, 64.3; H, 10.8%); [α]_D²⁰ –8.1 (c 0.50, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm^{–1} 3310 (C≡C–H) and 1645 (C=C); δ_H 5.86 (1 H, ddt, *J* 17.2, 9.9 and 7.3, 2-H), 5.13–5.01 (2 H, m, 1-H₂), 4.31 (1 H, dd, *J* 5.3 and 2.3, 5-H), 3.62 (1 H, ddd, *J* 7.6, 5.3 and 4.0, 4-H), 2.54–2.29 (2 H, m, 3-H₂), 2.35 (1 H, d, *J* 2.3, 7-H), 0.91 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.89 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.14 (3 H, s, Me), 0.10 (3 H, s, Me), 0.06 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.05 (3 H, s, Me); δ_C 135.6, 116.9, 83.1, 74.8, 73.4, 66.7, 36.8, 25.8, 18.2, 18.1, –4.5, –4.7 and –4.9; *m/z* 354 (M⁺, 29%), 313 (13), 297 (89), 189 (21), 147 (99), 115 (21), 91 (30) and 73 (100).

(4*S*,5*S*)-4,5-Bis(*tert*-butyldimethylsiloxy)-7-phenylhept-1-en-6-yne (–)-**10f**

According to the procedure described for preparation of compound **10e** from diol **10a**, compound **10b** (96 mg, 0.48 mmol) was treated with TBDMSOTf (0.24 cm³, 1.05 mmol) and Et₃N (218 mg, 2.15 mmol) to give *title compound* (–)-**10f** (200 mg, 98%) as an oil (Found: M⁺, 430.2711. C₂₃H₄₂O₂Si₂ requires *M*, 430.2723); [α]_D²⁰ –10.2 (c 0.50, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm^{–1} 1640 (C=C); δ_H 7.43–7.38 (2 H, m, ArH), 7.32–7.27 (3 H, m, ArH), 5.91 (1 H, ddt, *J* 17.2, 9.9 and 7.3, 2-H), 5.13–5.03 (2 H, m, 1-H), 4.53 (1 H, d, *J* 5.3, 5-H), 3.72 (1 H, ddd, *J* 7.3, 5.3 and 4.3, 4-H), 2.58–2.36 (2 H, m, 3-H₂), 0.94 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.91 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.19 (3 H, s, Me), 0.14 (3 H, s, Me), 0.09 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.08 (3 H, s, Me); δ_C 135.6, 131.5, 128.2, 128.0, 123.3, 116.8, 89.0, 85.4, 75.2, 67.3, 37.3, 25.9, 18.3, 18.1, –4.4, –4.5 and –4.7; *m/z* 430 (M⁺, 56%), 373 (39), 185 (100), 147 (49), 115 (14) and 73 (62).

(4*S*,5*S*)-4,5-Bis(*tert*-butyldimethylsiloxy)undec-1-en-6-yne (–)-**10g**

To a solution of terminal alkyne **10e** (385 mg, 1.09 mmol) in THF (5.0 cm³) was added BuLi in hexane (1.60 mol dm^{–3}; 0.81 cm³, 1.30 mmol) at 0 °C. After being stirred at the same temperature for 30 min, a solution of butyl iodide (602 mg, 3.27 mmol) in a combined solution of THF and DMPU (1.0 and 1.0 cm³, respectively) was added to the reaction mixture, which was then stirred for 9 h at rt, quenched by addition of saturated aq. NH₄Cl and extracted with Et₂O. The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. Chromatography of the residue with hexane afforded *title compound* (–)-**10g** (322 mg, 72%) as an oil (Found: C, 66.9; H, 11.3. C₂₃H₄₆O₂Si₂ requires C, 67.3; H, 11.3%); [α]_D²⁴ –5.5 (c 0.20, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm^{–1} 2220 (C≡C) and 1645 (C=C); δ_H 5.88 (1 H, ddt, *J* 17.2, 10.2 and 7.3, 2-H), 5.10–4.99 (2 H, m, 1-H₂), 4.29 (1 H, dt, *J* 5.3 and 2.0, 5-H), 3.60 (1 H, ddd, *J* 7.6, 5.3 and 4.3, 4-H), 2.50–2.28 (2 H, m, 3-H₂), 2.20 (2 H, dt, *J* 6.6 and 2.0, 8-H₂), 1.51–1.35 (4 H, m, 9- and 10-H₂), 0.94–0.86 (21 H, m, 'Bu × 2 and Me), 0.12 (3 H, s, Me), 0.09 (3 H, s, Me), 0.06 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.05 (3 H, s, Me); δ_C 136.0, 116.5, 85.8, 79.3, 75.3, 67.0, 37.1, 30.7, 25.9, 25.9, 21.9, 18.4, 18.3, 18.1, 13.6, –4.4, –4.5, –4.5 and –4.7; *m/z* 410 (M⁺, 30%), 353 (40), 185 (84), 147 (87), 115 (17) and 73 (84).

(4*S*,5*S*)-4,5-Bis(*tert*-butyldimethylsiloxy)-1-(trimethylsilyl)hept-1-en-6-yne (–)-**10h**

According to the procedure described for preparation of compound **10g** and terminal alkyne **10e**, the same substrate **10e** (385 mg, 1.09 mmol) was successively treated with BuLi in hexane (1.60 mol dm^{–3}; 0.81 cm³, 1.30 mmol) and TMSCl (237 mg, 2.18 mmol) to give, after chromatography with hexane, *title compound* (–)-**10h** (451 mg, 97%) as an oil (Found: M⁺, 426.2818. C₂₂H₄₆O₂Si₃ requires *M*, 426.2806); [α]_D²⁵ –1.0 (c 0.50, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm^{–1} 2160 (C≡C) and 1640 (C=C); δ_H 5.86 (1 H, ddt, *J* 17.2, 9.9 and 7.3, 2-H), 5.11–5.00 (2 H, m, 1-H), 4.28 (1 H, d, *J* 5.3, 5-H), 3.62 (1 H, m, 4-H), 2.50–2.28 (2 H, m,

3-H₂), 0.91 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.89 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.15 (9 H, s, TMS), 0.13 (3 H, s, Me), 0.10 (3 H, s, Me), 0.06 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.05 (3 H, s, Me); δ_C 136.6, 116.8, 105.5, 90.2, 74.9, 67.1, 37.3, 25.9, 25.8, 18.3, 18.1, -0.2, -4.4, -4.4, -4.5 and -4.6; m/z 426 (M^+ , 19%), 369 (33), 147 (79), 115 (17) and 73 (98).

(4*S*,5*S*)-Undec-1-en-6-yne-4,5-diol (-)-10c

A solution of compound **10g** (86 mg, 0.21 mmol) and PTSA (40 mg, 0.23 mmol) in MeOH (4.0 cm³) was stirred for 9 h at rt. The reaction mixture was concentrated to leave a residual oil, which was chromatographed with hexane–AcOEt (3:1) to afford *title diol* (-)-**10c** (39 mg, 100%) as an oil (Found: C, 72.1; H, 10.1. C₁₁H₁₈O₂ requires C, 72.5; H, 10.0%); $[a]_D^{20}$ -20.0 (*c* 0.50, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3600 (OH), 3410 (OH), 2220 (C=C) and 1645 (C=C); δ_H 5.89 (1 H, ddt, *J* 17.2, 10.2 and 7.3, 2-H), 5.21–5.12 (2 H, m, 1-H₂), 4.24 (1 H, dt, *J* 6.3 and 2.0, 5-H), 3.66 (1 H, ddd, *J* 7.9, 6.3 and 4.0, 4-H), 2.55–2.20 (6 H, m, 3- and 8-H₂ and OH \times 2), 1.56–1.34 (4 H, m, 9- and 10-H₂) and 0.91 (3 H, t, *J* 7.3, Me); δ_C 134.1, 118.1, 87.6, 78.1, 74.3, 65.9, 37.1, 30.6, 21.9, 18.4 and 13.5; m/z 182 (M^+ , 30%), 155 (20), 142 (49), 131 (96), 115 (77), 77 (44) and 43 (100).

(3*S*,4*S*)-1-(Trimethylsilyl)hept-6-en-1-yne-3,4-diol (-)-10d

According to the procedure described for preparation of diol **10c** from compound **10g**, substrate **10h** (164 mg, 0.38 mmol) was treated with PTSA (84 mg, 0.44 mmol) in MeOH (7.0 cm³) to give *title diol* (-)-**10d** (75 mg, 98%) as an oil [fast-atom bombardment (FAB) mass: Found: $M^+ - 1$, 197.1004. C₁₀H₁₇O₂Si requires m/z , 197.0998]; $[a]_D^{20}$ -22.1 (*c* 0.50, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3600 (OH), 3400 (OH), 2160 (C=C) and 1645 (C=C); δ_H 5.87 (1 H, ddt, *J* 17.2, 9.9 and 7.3, 6-H), 5.21–5.12 (2 H, m, 7-H₂) 4.20 (1 H, br t, *J* 5.9, 3-H), 3.70 (1 H, m, 4-H), 2.61–2.41 (3 H, m, 5-H and OH \times 2), 2.23 (1 H, m, 5-H) and 0.18 (9 H, s, TMS); δ_C 133.9, 118.2, 103.5, 91.7, 74.0, 66.1, 37.0 and -0.3; chemical ionisation (CI) mass: m/z 199 ($M^+ + 1$, 13%), 181 (100), 128 (18), 109 (18), 91 (18) and 73 (72).

(4*S*,5*S*)-4,5-Diacetoxyhept-1-en-6-yne (+)-10i

To a solution of diol **10a** (63 mg, 0.50 mmol), Et₃N (200 mg, 1.98 mmol) and DMAP (6.0 mg, 0.05 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 cm³) was added acetic anhydride (207 mg, 2.03 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at rt, diluted with water and extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The extract was washed successively with water (several times) and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. Chromatography of the residue with hexane–AcOEt (3:1) afforded *title compound* (+)-**10i** (102 mg, 98%) as an oil (Found: C, 62.6; H, 6.7. C₁₁H₁₄O₄ requires C, 62.9; H, 6.7%); $[a]_D^{20}$ +58.4 (*c* 0.50, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3330 (C=C–H) and 1745 (CO); δ_H 5.75 (1 H, dddd, *J* 14.2, 9.8, 7.3 and 6.3, 2-H), 5.45 (1 H, dd, *J*, 5.1 and 2.4, 5-H), 5.18–5.11 (3 H, m, 4-H and 1-H₂), 2.57–2.41 (2 H, m, 3-H₂), 2.50 (1 H, d, *J* 2.4, 7-H), 2.11 (3 H, s, Ac) and 2.08 (3 H, s, Ac); δ_C 170.4, 169.8, 132.6, 119.3, 78.0, 75.8, 72.5, 64.4, 35.1, 21.2 and 21.1; CI mass m/z 211 ($M^+ + 1$, 75%), 201 (41) and 151 (100).

(4*S*,5*S*)-4,5-Diacetoxy-7-phenylhept-1-en-6-yne (+)-10j

According to the procedure described for preparation of diacetate **10i** from compound **10a**, diol **10b** (82 mg, 0.41 mmol) was treated with Et₃N (164 mg, 1.62 mmol), DMAP (4.9 mg, 0.04 mmol) and acetic anhydride (170 mg, 1.66 mmol) to give *title diacetate* (+)-**10j** (110 mg, 96%) as an oil (Found: C, 71.5; H, 6.4. C₁₇H₁₈O₄ requires C, 71.3; H, 6.3%); $[a]_D^{21}$ +92.1 (*c* 0.50, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 2250 (C=C), 1740 (CO) and 1650 (C=C); δ_H 7.45–7.29 (5 H, m, ArH), 5.79 (1 H, dddd, *J* 14.2, 10.3, 7.8 and 6.6, 2-H), 5.69 (1 H, d, *J* 6.4, 5-H), 5.26 (1 H, ddd, *J* 7.8, 6.4 and 4.4, 4-H), 5.18–5.11 (2 H, m, 1-H₂), 2.61 (1 H, m, 3-H), 2.50 (1 H, m, 3-H), 2.13 (3 H, s, Ac) and 2.09 (3 H, s, Ac); δ_C 170.1, 169.5, 132.3, 131.9, 128.9, 128.3, 121.7, 118.7, 86.9, 83.0, 72.5, 64.8, 34.9 and 20.9; CI mass m/z 287 ($M^+ + 1$, 0.4%), 245 (16), 227 (100), 199 (14) and 185 (24).

(4*S*,5*S*)-4,5-Diacetoxyundec-1-en-6-yne (+)-10k

According to the procedure described for the preparation of compound **10i** from diol **10a**, substrate **10c** (140 mg, 0.77 mmol) was treated with Et₃N (311 mg, 3.07 mmol), DMAP (9.4 mg, 0.08 mmol) and acetic anhydride (322 mg, 3.15 mmol) to give *title compound* (+)-**10k** (196 mg, 96%) as an oil (Found: C, 67.8; H, 8.3. C₁₅H₂₂O₄ requires C, 67.6; H, 8.3%); $[a]_D^{20}$ +72.9 (*c* 0.51, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 2250 (C=C), 1740 (CO) and 1650 (C=C); δ_H 5.73 (1 H, dddd, *J* 14.2, 10.3, 7.8 and 6.4, 2-H), 5.42 (1 H, dt, *J* 4.4 and 2.5, 5-H), 5.11–5.06 (3 H, m, 1-H₂ and 4-H), 2.51 (1 H, m, 3-H), 2.38 (1 H, m, 3-H), 2.18 (2 H, td, *J* 7.8 and 2.5, 8-H₂), 2.06 (3 H, s, Ac), 2.04 (3 H, s, Ac), 1.49–1.32 (4 H, m, 9- and 10-H₂) and 0.88 (3 H, t, *J* 7.3, Me); δ_C 170.0, 169.6, 132.4, 118.5, 88.2, 74.1, 72.7, 64.8, 34.9, 30.3, 21.8, 20.8, 18.3 and 13.5; CI mass m/z 267 ($M^+ + 1$, 7.0%), 207 (100) and 165 (12).

(4*S*,5*S*)-4,5-Diacetoxy-7-(trimethylsilyl)hept-1-en-6-yne (+)-10l

According to the procedure described for preparation of compound **10i** from substrate **10a**, diol **10d** (206 mg, 1.04 mmol) was treated with Et₃N (421 mg, 4.16 mmol), DMAP (13 mg, 0.10 mmol) and acetic anhydride (436 mg, 4.27 mmol) to give *title diacetate* (+)-**10l** (279 mg, 95%) as an oil (Found: C, 59.5; H, 7.8. C₁₄H₂₂O₄Si requires C, 59.5; H, 7.9%); $[a]_D^{18}$ +80.8 (*c* 0.50, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 2200 (C=C), 1740 (CO) and 1650 (C=C); δ_H 5.74 (1 H, dddd, *J* 14.2, 10.3, 7.8 and 6.4, 2-H), 5.46 (1 H, d, *J* 6.4, 5-H), 5.17–5.09 (3 H, m, 4-H and 1-H₂), 2.51 (1 H, m, 3-H), 2.41 (1 H, m, 3-H), 2.08 (3 H, s, Ac), 2.06 (3 H, s, Ac) and 0.16 (9 H, s, TMS); δ_C 170.0, 161.4, 132.2, 118.7, 98.9, 92.6, 72.5, 64.6, 34.8, 20.8 and -0.5; CI mass m/z 283 ($M^+ + 1$, 29%), 223 (47), 200 (11) and 199 (100).

General procedure for Pauson–Khand reaction of enynes **10**

Condition A. Co₂(CO)₈ (0.60 mmol) was added to a solution of an enyne **10** (0.50 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (5.0 cm³) at rt. After being stirred for 2 h, the CH₂Cl₂ solution was evaporated to leave a residue, which was taken up in MeCN (5.0 cm³). A solution of crude cobalt-complexed enyne **10** in MeCN was heated at 70–75 °C until complete disappearance of the starting material (*ca.* 0.3–5 h). The reaction mixture was passed through a short pad of Celite and the filtrate was concentrated to dryness. Chromatography of the residue with hexane–AcOEt gave products **11** and **12**.

Condition B. The crude cobalt-complexed enyne **10** was dissolved in THF (10 cm³) to which TMANO·2H₂O (3.00 mmol) was added at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at rt until complete disappearance of the starting material (*ca.* 1–5 h). Work-up and chromatography as described in Condition A gave products **11** and **12**. Chemical yield and product ratio between **11** and **12** are summarised in Table 1.

(5*S*,7*S*,8*S*)- and (5*R*,7*S*,8*S*)-7,8-Dihydroxy-2-phenylbicyclo-[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one **11b** and **12b**

A mixture of stereoisomers **11b** and **12b** was obtained in the ratio 81:19 (entry 1) as an oil (Found: M^+ , 230.0932. C₁₄H₁₄O₃ requires M , 230.0943); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3650 (OH), 3400 (OH) and 1705 (CO); selected data for δ_H 7.74–7.30 (5 H, m, ArH), 5.10 (19/100 H, m, 8-H), 4.49 (81/100 H, s, 8-H), 4.37 (19/100 H, m, 7-H), 4.25 (81/100 H, m, 7-H), 3.41 (19/100 H, m, 5-H) and 3.22 (81/100 H, m, 5-H); selected data for δ_C 208.6, 176.8, 138.4, 130.6, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5, 82.5, 76.3, 43.0, 39.9 and 38.3; m/z 230 (M^+ , 42%), 212 (38), 196 (32), 186 (55), 170 (45), 142 (31), 129 (100), 115 (63) and 77 (35).

(5*S*,7*S*,8*S*)- and (5*R*,7*S*,8*S*)-2-Butyl-7,8-dihydroxybicyclo-[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-ones **11c** and **12c**

A mixture of stereoisomers **11c** and **12c** was obtained in a ratio 84:16 (entry 3) as an oil (Found: M^+ , 210.1256. C₁₂H₁₈O₃ requires M , 210.1256); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3520 (OH), 3370 (OH), 1700 (CO) and 1665 (C=C); selected data for δ_H 4.85 (16/100 H, s,

8-H), 4.61 (84/100 H, m, 8-H), 4.41 (84/100 H, ddd, J 8.6, 6.6 and 3.6, 7-H), 4.32 (16/100 H, m, 7-H), 3.17 (16/100 H, m, 5-H), 3.06 (84/100 H, m, 5-H) and 0.90 (84/100 \times 3 H, t, J 8.7, Me); selected data for δ_{C} 210.5, 175.9, 140.2, 82.2, 75.2, 42.1, 39.6, 38.4, 30.3, 23.6, 22.7 and 13.8; m/z 210 (M^+ , 49%), 192 (28), 166 (73), 150 (48), 137 (40), 109 (45), 95 (71), 79 (42) and 43 (100).

(5S,7S,8S)-7,8-Dihydroxy-2-(trimethylsilyl)bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one (-)-11d

Compound (-)-11d was obtained (entry 5) as a solid, mp 126–127 °C (from hexane–AcOEt) (Found: C, 58.6; H, 8.0. $C_{11}H_{18}O_3Si$ requires C, 58.4; H, 8.0%); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} -211.6$ (c 0.50, CHCl_3); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3610 (OH), 3400 (OH), 1695 (CO) and 1620 (C=C); δ_{H} 4.59 (1 H, s, 8-H), 4.40 (1 H, m, 7-H), 3.14 (1 H, m, 5-H), 2.66–2.51 (4 H, m, 4- and 6-H and OH \times 2), 2.11 (1 H, dd, J 17.8 and 4.0, 4-H), 1.19 (1 H, td, J 11.9 and 8.6, 6-H) and 0.19 (9 H, s, TMS); δ_{C} 214.0, 190.2, 140.2, 81.7, 76.3, 43.4, 43.3, 38.2 and –1.2; m/z 226 (M^+ , 9.0%), 193 (100), 182 (32), 166 (34), 151 (50) and 73 (86).

(5S,7S,8S)-7,8-Bis(tert-butyl dimethylsiloxy)bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one (-)-11e

Compound (-)-11e was obtained as an oil (Found: M^+ , 382.2387. $C_{20}H_{38}O_3Si_2$ requires M , 382.2360); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -101.6$ (c 0.50, CHCl_3); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1705 (CO) and 1640 (C=C); δ_{H} 5.98 (1 H, d, J 2.3, 2-H), 4.43 (1 H, m, 8-H), 4.27 (1 H, ddd, J 6.9, 6.6 and 2.3, 7-H), 3.17 (1 H, m, 5-H), 2.65 (1 H, dd, J 17.8 and 6.6, 4-H), 2.49 (1 H, ddd, J 12.5, 8.3 and 6.6, 6-H), 2.11 (1 H, dd, J 17.8 and 3.3, 4-H), 1.14 (1 H, ddd, J 12.5, 10.6 and 6.9, 6-H), 0.89 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.87 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.13 (3 H, s, Me), 0.08 (3 H, s, Me), 0.07 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.06 (3 H, s, Me); δ_{C} 210.6, 185.5, 126.7, 82.5, 76.4, 43.0, 41.4, 39.1, 25.8, 25.7, 18.0, 17.9, –4.3, –4.6, –4.7 and –4.7; m/z 382 (M^+ , 13%), 339 (12), 325 (66), 209 (18), 147 (93), 91 (12) and 73 (100).

(5R,7S,8S)-7,8-Bis(tert-butyl dimethylsiloxy)bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one (+)-12e

Compound (-)-12e was obtained as a solid, mp 41–42 °C (from hexane–AcOEt) (Found: C, 62.4; H, 10.1. $C_{20}H_{38}O_3Si_2$ requires C, 62.8; H, 10.0%); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +185.4$ (c 0.50, CHCl_3); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1705 (CO) and 1645 (C=C); δ_{H} 6.01 (1 H, t, J 2.0, 2-H), 4.73 (1 H, m, 8-H), 4.13 (1 H, m, 7-H), 3.24 (1 H, m, 5-H), 2.67 (1 H, dd, J 18.2 and 6.9, 4-H), 2.07 (1 H, dd, J 18.2 and 3.0, 4-H), 2.05 (1 H, m, 6-H), 1.75 (1 H, ddd, J 13.5, 9.6 and 8.3, 6-H), 0.92 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.90 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.13 (3 H, s, Me), 0.12 (3 H, s, Me), 0.09 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.07 (3 H, s, Me); δ_{C} 209.3, 189.4, 125.1, 80.6, 79.8, 43.9, 39.3, 38.6, 25.8, 25.7, 18.1, 17.9, –4.6, –4.7 and –4.8; m/z 382 (M^+ , 12%), 325 (93), 224 (20), 147 (100), 91 (15) and 73 (56).

(5S,7S,8S)-7,8-Bis(tert-butyl dimethylsiloxy)-2-phenylbicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one (-)-11f

Compound (-)-11f was obtained as an oil (Found: M^+ , 458.2697. $C_{26}H_{42}O_3Si_2$ requires M , 458.2673); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -70.1$ (c 0.50, CHCl_3); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1705 (CO); δ_{H} 7.53–7.48 (2 H, m, ArH), 7.42–7.29 (3 H, m, ArH), 4.59 (1 H, s, 8-H), 4.34 (1 H, ddd, J 6.3, 4.3 and 1.7, 7-H), 3.19 (1 H, m, 5-H), 2.88 (1 H, dd, J 17.9 and 6.6, 4-H), 2.64 (1 H, ddd, J 13.2, 9.2 and 6.3, 6-H), 2.28 (1 H, dd, J 17.9 and 3.3, 4-H), 1.22 (1 H, ddd, J 13.2, 8.6 and 4.3, 6-H), 0.88 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.81 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.05 (3 H, s, Me), 0.04 (3 H, s, Me), 0.03 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.02 (3 H, s, Me); δ_{C} 208.7, 179.1, 137.0, 131.3, 128.7, 128.2, 128.1, 81.7, 76.1, 44.0, 39.3, 38.6, 25.7, 17.9, 17.8, –4.3, –4.4, –4.8 and –4.8; m/z 458 (M^+ , 27%), 401 (21), 300 (49), 284 (40), 167 (28), 147 (25), 73 (81) and 57 (100).

(5R,7S,8S)-7,8-Bis(tert-butyl dimethylsiloxy)-2-phenylbicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one (+)-12f

Compound (+)-12f was obtained as an oil (Found: C, 67.7; H, 9.2. $C_{26}H_{42}O_3Si_2$ requires C, 68.1; H, 9.2%); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +2.4$ (c 0.50,

CHCl_3); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1700 (CO); δ_{H} 7.44–7.24 (5 H, m, ArH), 4.88 (1 H, s, 8-H), 4.24 (1 H, d, J 4.3, 7-H), 3.34 (1 H, m, 5-H), 2.84 (1 H, dd, J 17.7 and 6.6, 4-H), 2.32 (1 H, dd, J 17.7 and 3.3, 4-H), 2.08 (1 H, m, 6-H), 1.57 (1 H, m, 6-H), 0.92 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.57 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.14 (3 H, s, Me), 0.13 (3 H, s, Me), 0.02 (3 H, s, Me) and –0.32 (3 H, s, Me); δ_{C} 208.5, 183.7, 138.4, 131.6, 129.2, 128.2, 128.0, 81.4, 78.0, 43.2, 40.8, 38.6, 25.8, 25.5, 17.9, 17.7, –4.2, –4.4, –4.5 and –5.6; m/z 458 (M^+ , 29%), 401 (52), 300 (65), 284 (53), 147 (100), 73 (75) and 57 (24).

(5S,7S,8S)-2-Butyl-7,8-bis(tert-butyl dimethylsiloxy)bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one (-)-11g

Compound (-)-11g was obtained as an oil (Found: C, 65.5; H, 10.6. $C_{24}H_{46}O_3Si_2$ requires C, 65.7; H, 10.6%); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{19} -101.0$ (c 0.50, CHCl_3); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1700 (CO) and 1670 (C=C); δ_{H} 4.45 (1 H, s, 8-H), 4.24 (1 H, m, 7-H), 3.05 (1 H, m, 5-H), 2.67 (1 H, dd, J 17.8 and 6.6, 4-H), 2.54 (1 H, ddd, J 13.2, 9.2 and 6.6, 6-H), 2.30–2.13 (2 H, m, CH_2), 2.06 (1 H, dd, J 17.8 and 3.0, 4-H), 1.52–1.21 (4 H, m, CH_2), 1.06 (1 H, ddd, J 13.2, 9.2 and 4.6, 6-H), 0.89 (3 H, t, J 7.3, Me), 0.88 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.85 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.14 (3 H, s, Me), 0.06 (6 H, s, Me \times 2) and 0.04 (3 H, s, Me); δ_{C} 211.1, 177.5, 137.8, 82.2, 75.4, 43.2, 39.7, 38.6, 30.5, 25.8, 25.7, 24.0, 22.8, 18.0, 17.9, 13.9, –4.4, –4.5, –4.6 and –4.7; m/z 438 (M^+ , 59%), 381 (48), 280 (44), 264 (38), 147 (20) and 73 (15).

(5R,7S,8S)-2-Butyl-7,8-bis(tert-butyl dimethylsiloxy)bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one (+)-12g

Compound (+)-12g was obtained as an oil (Found: C, 65.4; H, 10.7%. $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +15.6$ (c 0.50, CHCl_3); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1700 (CO) and 1660 (C=C); δ_{H} 4.75 (1 H, s, 8-H), 4.15 (1 H, dt, J 6.3 and 2.0, 7-H), 3.09 (1 H, m, 5-H), 2.62 (1 H, dd, J 17.8 and 6.3, 4-H), 2.36–2.18 (2 H, m, CH_2), 2.02 (1 H, dd, J 17.8 and 3.0, 6-H), 1.98 (1 H, m, 6-H), 1.53 (1 H, ddd, J 12.9, 11.9 and 6.3, 4-H), 1.46–1.22 (4 H, m, CH_2), 0.93–0.86 (21 H, m, 'Bu \times 2 and Me), 0.17 (3 H, s, Me), 0.15 (3 H, s, Me), 0.10 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.09 (3 H, s, Me); δ_{C} 210.4, 179.2, 139.0, 81.5, 79.8, 42.3, 39.3, 38.6, 31.1, 25.9, 25.8, 23.0, 18.0, 17.9, 14.0, –4.1, –4.2, –4.5 and –4.8; m/z 438 (M^+ , 57%), 381 (46), 280 (43), 264 (38), 147 (20) and 73 (13).

(5S,7S,8S)-7,8-Bis(tert-butyl dimethylsiloxy)-2-(trimethylsilyl)bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one (-)-11h

Compound (-)-11h was obtained as an oil (Found: M^+ , 454.2757. $C_{23}H_{46}O_3Si_3$ requires M , 454.2755); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{21} -114.5$ (c 0.50, CHCl_3); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1690 (CO) and 1620 (C=C); δ_{H} 4.49 (1 H, s, 8-H), 4.16 (1 H, m, 7-H), 3.21 (1 H, m, 5-H), 2.67 (1 H, dd, J 17.5 and 6.9, 4-H), 2.55 (1 H, ddd, J 13.5, 10.6 and 5.9, 6-H), 2.05 (1 H, dd, J 17.5 and 4.0, 4-H), 1.13 (1 H, ddd, J 13.5, 7.3 and 2.3, 6-H), 0.87 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.82 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.22 (9 H, s, TMS), 0.14 (3 H, s, Me), 0.07 (3 H, s, Me), 0.04 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.03 (3 H, s, Me); δ_{C} 215.5, 192.5, 137.4, 79.9, 75.6, 45.4, 41.2, 38.7, 25.7, 25.6, 17.9, 17.8, –1.0, –4.3, –4.3, –4.6 and –4.8; m/z 454 (M^+ , 16%), 397 (14), 296 (43), 147 (31), 133 (16), 73 (99) and 57 (100).

(5S,7S,8S)- and (5R,7S,8S)-7,8-Diacetoxybicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one 11i and 12i

A mixture of *title diacetates 11i* and *12i* was obtained in the ratio 76:24 (entry 15) as an oil (Found: M^+ , 238.0830. $C_{12}H_{14}O_5$ requires M , 238.0841); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1740 (CO), 1715 (CO) and 1645 (C=C); selected data for δ_{H} : 6.23 (76/100 H, d, J 2.4, 2-H), 6.03 (24/100 H, t, J 2.0, 2-H), 5.84 (24/100 H, m, 8-H), 5.61 (76/100 H, m, 8-H), 5.42 (76/100 H, ddd, J 8.8, 7.3 and 3.9, 7-H), 5.29 (24/100 H, m, 7-H), 3.33 (24/100 H, m, 5-H), 3.19 (76/100 H, m, 5-H), 2.15 (24/100 \times 3 H, s, Ac), 2.12 (76/100 \times 3 H, s, Ac), 2.11 (76/100 \times 3 H, s, Ac) and 2.08 (24/100 \times 3 H, s, Ac); m/z 238 (M^+ , 12%), 196 (78), 154 (100), 136 (83), 110 (61), 91 (24) and 43 (86).

(5S,7S,8S)- and (5R,7S,8S)-7,8-Diacetoxy-2-phenylbicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one 11j and 12j

A mixture of *title diacetates* **11i** and **12i** was obtained in the ratio 87:13 (entry 17) as an oil (Found: C, 68.7; H, 5.8. C₁₈H₁₈O₅ requires C, 68.8; H, 5.8%); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1740 (CO) and 1715 (CO); selected data for δ_{H} : 7.49–7.32 (5 H, m, Ph), 6.28 (13/100 H, s, 8-H), 5.73 (87/100 H, m, 8-H), 5.46 (87/100 H, ddd, *J* 8.3, 7.3 and 3.4, 7-H), 5.26 (13/100 H, m, 7-H), 3.37 (13/100 H, m, 5-H), 3.30 (87/100 H, m, 5-H), 2.18 (87/100 × 3 H, s, Ac), 2.13 (13/100 × 3 H, s, Ac), 2.04 (13/100 × 3 H, s, Ac) and 2.03 (87/100 × 3 H, s, Ac); *m/z* 314 (M⁺, 7.0%), 254 (44), 230 (46), 212 (85), 194 (85), 186 (39) and 166 (24).

(5S,7S,8S)- and (5R,7S,8S)-7,8-Diacetoxy-2-butylbicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-ones 11k and 12k

A mixture of *title diacetates* **11k** and **12k** was obtained in the ratio 88:12 (entry 19) as an oil (Found: C, 65.2; H, 7.6. C₁₆H₂₂O₅ requires C, 65.3; H, 7.5%); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1740 (CO), 1710 (CO) and 1675 (C=C); selected data for δ_{H} : 5.98 (12/100 H, s, 8-H), 5.71 (88/100 H, m, 8-H), 5.37 (88/100 H, td, *J* 7.3 and 3.4, 7-H), 5.22 (12/100 H, m, 7-H), 3.15 (12/100 H, m, 5-H), 3.07 (88/100 H, m, 5-H), 2.13 (12/100 × 3 H, s, Ac), 2.09 (12/100 × 3 H, s, Ac), 2.08 (88/100 × 3 H, s, Ac), 2.05 (88/100 × 3 H, s, Ac) and 0.87 (88/100 × 3 H, t, *J* 7.3, Me); selected data for δ_{C} : 209.7, 170.9, 170.5, 170.0, 141.8, 80.7, 73.4, 42.5, 40.0, 36.8, 30.7, 24.1, 23.0, 21.3, 21.2 and 14.3; *m/z* 294 (M⁺, 8.0%), 252 (27), 210 (76), 192 (35), 166 (26) and 43 (100).

(5S,7S,8S)-7,8-Diacetoxy-2-(trimethylsilyl)bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one (-)-11l

Compound (-)-11l was obtained as an oil (Found: C, 58.1; H, 7.2. C₁₅H₂₂O₅Si requires C, 58.0; H, 7.1%); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{19}$ -130.0 (*c* 0.50, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1740 (CO), 1705 (CO) and 1630 (C=C); δ_{H} 5.65 (1 H, d, *J* 3.4, 8-H), 5.37 (1 H, td, *J* 7.3 and 3.4, 7-H), 3.18 (1 H, m, 5-H), 2.72–2.62 (2 H, m, 4- and 6-H), 2.10 (3 H, s, Ac), 2.09 (3 H, s, Ac), 2.15–1.96 (1 H, m, 4-H), 1.26 (1 H, m, 6-H) and 0.20 (9 H, s, TMS); δ_{C} 212.9, 184.9, 170.0, 169.5, 141.6, 79.7, 74.3, 43.3, 43.2, 35.8, 20.9, 20.8 and -1.5; *m/z* 310 (M⁺, 1.5%), 295 (28), 253 (15), 211 (16), 193 (85), 117 (30), 75 (22) and 43 (100).

(5S,7S,8S)-7-(tert-Butyldimethylsiloxy)-8-hydroxy-2-(trimethylsilyl)bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one (-)-15

To a solution of bis-silyl ether **11h** (41.4 mg, 0.09 mmol) in THF (2.0 cm³) was added a solution of TBAF in THF (1.0 mol dm⁻³; 0.10 cm³, 0.10 mmol) at 0 °C. After being stirred for 15 min at 0 °C, the reaction mixture was diluted with AcOEt, washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. Chromatography of the residue with hexane–AcOEt (10:1) gave the *title compound (-)-15* (23.2 mg, 75%) as an oil (Found: C, 60.3; H, 9.4. C₁₇H₃₂O₃Si₂ requires C, 60.0; H, 9.5%); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20}$ -137.6 (*c* 0.51, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3675 (OH), 3425 (OH), 1695 (CO) and 1620 (C=C); δ_{H} 4.51 (1 H, s, 8-H), 4.30 (1 H, m, 7-H), 3.01 (1 H, m, 5-H), 2.60 (1 H, dd, *J* 17.8 and 6.6, 4-H), 2.46 (1 H, dt, *J* 12.2 and 7.6, 6-H), 2.08 (1 H, dd, *J* 17.8 and 4.0, 4-H), 1.94 (1 H, s, OH), 1.18 (1 H, td, *J* 12.2 and 7.6, 6-H), 0.90 (9 H, s, *t*-Bu), 0.24 (9 H, s, TMS), 0.12 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.10 (3 H, s, Me); δ_{C} 214.0, 190.7, 139.7, 81.9, 76.6, 43.6, 43.0, 38.9, 25.8, 18.0, -1.2 and -4.7; *m/z* 340 (M⁺, 1.4%), 283 (100), 267 (15), 193 (20), 149 (12) and 75 (80).

(5S,7S,8S)-8-Acetoxy-7-(tert-butyldimethylsiloxy)-2-(trimethylsilyl)bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one (-)-16

According to the procedure described for the preparation of diacetate **10i** from diol **10a**, the *title compound (-)-16* (40.2 mg, 79%) was obtained from the alcohol **15** (45.2 mg, 0.13 mmol) as an oil (Found: C, 59.6; H, 9.0. C₁₉H₃₄O₄Si₂ requires C, 59.6; H, 9.0%); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{17}$ -88.0 (*c* 0.50, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1745 (CO), 1695 (CO) and 1625 (C=C); δ_{H} 5.44 (1 H, d, *J* 2.6, 8-H), 4.39 (1 H, td, *J* 6.3 and 2.6, 7-H), 3.15 (1 H, m, 5-H), 2.65 (1 H, dd, *J* 17.5

and 6.6, 4-H), 2.52 (1 H, ddd, *J* 12.9, 8.9 and 6.3, 6-H), 2.10 (1 H, dd, *J* 17.5 and 4.0, 4-H), 2.08 (3 H, s, Ac), 1.23 (1 H, ddd, *J* 12.9, 10.2 and 6.3, 6-H), 0.86 (9 H, s, *t*-Bu), 0.21 (9 H, s, TMS), 0.08 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.05 (3 H, s, Me); δ_{C} 213.8, 186.8, 169.4, 140.9, 78.9, 76.5, 44.3, 42.8, 39.3, 25.7, 21.0, 17.9, -1.3, -4.9 and -5.0; *m/z* 382 (M⁺, 0.2%), 367 (22), 325 (87), 307 (18), 117 (100), 75 (90) and 43 (50).

(2S,3S)-2,3-(Isopropylidenedioxy)pent-4-en-1-ol (-)-17

A solution of DMSO (7.89 g, 101 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (35 cm³) was gradually added to a solution of oxalyl dichloride (6.41 g, 50.5 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (35 cm³) at -78 °C. After stirring of the CH₂Cl₂ solution for 15 min, a solution of the threitol derivative **3** (6.97 g, 25.3 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (35 cm³) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 1 h. Et₃N (15.3 g, 151 mmol) was added to the reaction mixture, which was then gradually warmed to rt and diluted with CH₂Cl₂. The solution was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to leave the crude aldehyde.

To a suspension of potassium *tert*-butoxide (8.50 g, 75.8 mmol) in THF (120 cm³) was added portionwise methyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (27.1 g, 75.8 mmol) and the THF solution was stirred at rt for 2 h. A solution of the crude aldehyde in THF (50 cm³) was added to this THF solution of the resulting methylenetriphenylphosphorane at rt. After being stirred for 1 h, the reaction mixture was quenched by addition of water and extracted with Et₂O. The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. The residue was passed through a short pad of silica gel with hexane–AcOEt (50:1) to give the corresponding olefin derivative (5.78 g).

TBAF as a solution in THF (1.0 mol dm⁻³; 25.4 cm³, 25.4 mmol) was added to a solution of the crude olefin derivative (5.78 g, 21.2 mmol) in THF (260 cm³) at 0 °C. After being stirred for 2.5 h at rt, the reaction mixture was quenched by addition of saturated aq. NH₄Cl and extracted with Et₂O. The extract was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. Chromatography of the residue with hexane–AcOEt (1:2) afforded *title alcohol (-)-17* (3.18 g, 80%) as a pale yellow oil (Found: C, 60.7; H, 8.8. C₈H₁₄O₃ requires C, 60.7; H, 8.9%); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{18}$ -3.1 (*c* 0.51, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3650 (OH) and 3450 (OH); δ_{H} 5.82 (1 H, ddd, *J* 17.2, 10.2 and 7.6, 4-H), 5.37 (1 H, d, *J* 17.2, 5-H), 5.25 (1 H, d, *J* 10.2, 5-H), 4.29 (1 H, m, 3-H), 3.90–3.70 (2 H, m, 1- and 2-H), 3.60 (1 H, m, 1-H), 2.21 (1 H, s, OH) and 1.43 (6 H, s, Me × 2); δ_{C} 135.0, 119.0, 109.2, 81.1, 78.3, 60.8, 26.9 and 26.9; *m/z* 158 (M⁺, 1.9%), 143 (26), 127 (6.7), 113 (1.4) and 43 (100).

(3S,4S)-3,4-Isopropylidenedioxy-7-(trimethylsilyl)hept-1-en-6-yne (+)-18

According to the procedure described for the preparation of the hexynol **4** from the threitol derivative **3**, compound **17** (1.00 g, 6.32 mmol) was successively treated with Tf₂O and lithium (trimethylsilyl)acetylide to give *title compound (+)-18* (680 mg, 45%) as a pale yellow oil (Found: C, 65.6; H, 9.3. C₁₃H₂₂O₂Si requires C, 65.5; H, 9.3%); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{19}$ +8.6 (*c* 0.51, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 2160 (C≡C) and 1645 (C=C); δ_{H} 5.87 (1 H, ddd, *J* 17.1, 10.7 and 7.3, 2-H), 5.42 (1 H, d, *J* 17.1, 1-H), 5.26 (1 H, d, *J* 10.7, 1-H), 4.30 (1 H, m, 3-H), 3.79 (1 H, ddd, *J* 8.3, 5.9 and 4.4, 4-H), 2.61 (1 H, dd, *J* 17.1 and 5.9, 5-H), 2.55 (1 H, dd, *J* 17.1 and 4.4, 5-H), 1.44 (3 H, s, Me), 1.43 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.15 (9 H, s, TMS); δ_{C} 135.1, 118.7, 109.0, 101.7, 87.4, 81.5, 78.2, 27.1, 27.0, 22.9 and -0.1; *m/z* 165 (M⁺ - TMS, 4.1%), 152 (0.8), 135 (3.8), 127 (14), 109 (3.3) and 43 (100).

(3S,4S)-3,4-Isopropylidenedioxy-7-phenylhept-1-en-6-yne (+)-19

According to the procedure described for the preparation of the hexynol **4** from the threitol **3**, compound **17** (1.20 g, 7.60 mmol) was successively treated with Tf₂O and lithium phenylacetylide

to give *title compound* (+)-**19** (819 mg, 44%) as a pale yellow oil (Found: C, 79.4; H, 7.6. C₁₆H₁₈O₂ requires C, 79.3; H, 7.5%); [α]_D²⁰ +4.2 (c 0.50, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm⁻¹ 1645 (C=C); δ_H 7.43–7.36 (2 H, m, ArH), 7.31–7.24 (3 H, m, ArH), 5.90 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 10.3 and 6.8, 2-H), 5.45 (1 H, d, J 17.1, 1-H), 5.28 (1 H, d, J 10.3, 1-H), 4.36 (1 H, m, 3-H), 3.89 (1 H, ddd, J 7.8, 5.9 and 4.9, 4-H), 2.79 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 5.9, 5-H), 2.74 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 4.9, 5-H), 1.48 (3 H, s, Me) and 1.45 (3 H, s, Me); δ_C 135.0, 131.5, 128.2, 127.8, 123.4, 118.8, 109.2, 85.0, 82.8, 81.7, 78.5, 27.0 and 22.5; m/z 242 (M⁺, 3.3%), 227 (57), 199 (1.5), 185 (23), 167 (73), 156 (37), 127 (55) and 115 (100).

(3S,4S)-3,4-(Isopropylidenedioxy)undec-1-en-6-yne (+)-**20**

According to the procedure described for the preparation of the hexynol **4** from threitol derivative **3**, compound **17** (1.60 g, 10.1 mmol) was successively treated with Tf₂O and lithium hexylide to give *title compound* (+)-**20** (970 mg, 43%) as a pale yellow oil (Found: C, 75.4; H, 9.9. C₁₄H₂₂O₂ requires C, 75.6; H, 10.0%); [α]_D²⁷ +11.3 (c 0.50, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm⁻¹ 1645 (C=C); δ_H 5.85 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 10.3 and 6.8, 2-H), 5.39 (1 H, d, J 17.1, 1-H), 5.23 (1 H, d, J 10.3, 1-H), 4.24 (1 H, m, 3-H), 3.76 (1 H, ddd, J 8.3, 5.9 and 4.9, 4-H), 2.51 (1 H, ddt, J 16.6, 5.9 and 2.4, 5-H), 2.46 (1 H, ddt, J 16.6, 4.9 and 2.4, 5-H), 2.15 (2 H, tt, J 6.8 and 2.4, 8-H₂), 1.49–1.33 (4 H, m, 9- and 10-H₂), 1.43 (3 H, s, Me), 1.41 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.86 (3 H, t, J 7.3, Me); δ_C 135.2, 118.5, 109.0, 82.8, 81.6, 78.8, 74.8, 30.9, 27.0, 21.9, 21.8, 18.4 and 13.5; m/z 222 (M⁺, 0.6%), 207 (32), 175 (1.0), 147 (6.5), 127 (74), 98 (86) and 43 (100).

(3S,4S)-7-(Trimethylsilyl)hept-1-en-6-yne-3,4-diol (-)-**21d**

A solution of compound **18** (1.10 g, 4.60 mmol) and PTSA (175 mg, 0.92 mmol) in MeOH (45 cm³) was stirred at rt for 24 h, and MeOH was evaporated off. The residue was chromatographed with hexane–AcOEt (2:1) to give *title diol* (-)-**21d** (887 mg, 97%) as an oil (Found: C, 60.5; H, 9.0. C₁₀H₁₈O₂Si requires C, 60.6; H, 9.2%); [α]_D²⁷ -25.9 (c 0.51, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm⁻¹ 3580 (OH), 3430 (OH), 2160 (C=C) and 1645 (C=C); δ_H 5.88 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 10.7 and 6.4, 2-H), 5.38 (1 H, d, J 17.1, 1-H), 5.26 (1 H, d, J 10.7, 1-H), 4.13 (1 H, m, 3-H), 3.65 (1 H, m, 4-H), 2.55 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 5.4, 5-H), 2.54 (1 H, s, OH), 2.51 (1 H, s, OH), 2.46 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 6.8, 5-H) and 0.15 (9 H, s, TMS); δ_C 136.9, 117.6, 102.5, 87.8, 74.7, 72.2, 24.8 and -0.3; m/z 198 (M⁺, 0.2%), 130 (35) and 73 (100).

(3S,4S)-Hept-1-en-6-yne-3,4-diol (-)-**21a**

A suspension of the above silane **21d** (627 mg, 3.16 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (873 mg, 6.32 mmol) in MeOH (30 cm³) was stirred at rt overnight, and MeOH was evaporated off. The residue was diluted with water and extracted with AcOEt, which was washed successively with water and brine, dried and concentrated to dryness. Chromatography of the residue with hexane–AcOEt (1:1) afforded the *title diol* (-)-**21a** (330 mg, 83%), as an oil (FAB mass: Found: M⁺ + 1, 127.0762. C₇H₁₁O₂ requires m/z, 127.0759); [α]_D¹⁸ -22.4 (c 0.51, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm⁻¹ 3600 (OH), 3440 (OH), 3340 (C=C–H), 2110 (C=C) and 1645 (C=C); δ_H 5.88 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 10.3 and 5.9, 2-H), 5.40 (1 H, d, J 17.1, 1-H), 5.28 (1 H, d, J 10.3, 1-H), 4.16 (1 H, m, 3-H), 3.68 (1 H, m, 4-H), 2.56 (1 H, br d, J 4.9, OH), 2.53 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 5.4 and 2.9, 5-H), 2.44 (1 H, m, OH), 2.43 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 6.8 and 2.9, 5-H) and 2.07 (1 H, t, J 2.9, 7-H); δ_C 136.8, 117.8, 80.4, 74.7, 72.2, 70.9 and 23.2; CI mass m/z 127 (M⁺ + 1, 29%) and 109 (100).

(3S,4S)-7-Phenylhept-1-en-6-yne-3,4-diol (-)-**21b**

According to the procedure described for the preparation of diol **21d** from compound **18**, the *title compound* (-)-**21b** (674 mg, 88%) was obtained from its protected form **19** (919 mg, 3.80 mmol) as a solid, mp 60.0–62.0 °C (from hexane–AcOEt) (Found: C, 77.3; H, 7.1. C₁₃H₁₄O₂ requires C, 77.2; H, 7.0%); [α]_D²⁶ -11.4 (c 0.50, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm⁻¹ 3590 (OH), 3450 (OH)

and 1650 (C=C); δ_H 7.45–7.36 (2 H, m, ArH), 7.33–7.25 (3 H, m, ArH), 5.93 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 10.7 and 4.4, 2-H), 5.44 (1 H, d, J 17.1, 1-H), 5.30 (1 H, d, J 10.7, 1-H), 4.24 (1 H, m, 3-H), 3.76 (1 H, m, 4-H), 2.75 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 5.4, 5-H), 2.67 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 6.8, 5-H), 2.51 (1 H, d, J 4.9, OH) and 2.42 (1 H, d, J 4.4, OH); δ_C 137.0, 131.6, 128.3, 128.0, 123.2, 117.8, 85.4, 83.2, 74.8, 72.5 and 24.4; m/z 202 (M⁺, 0.8%), 173 (8.0) and 115 (100).

(3S,4S)-Undec-1-en-6-yne-3,4-diol (-)-**21c**

According to the procedure described for the preparation of diol **21d** from its protected form **18**, the *title compound* (-)-**21c** (718 mg, 96%) was obtained from the precursor **20** (917 mg, 4.12 mmol) as a solid, mp 40.0–41.0 °C (from hexane–AcOEt) (Found: C, 72.7; H, 9.8. C₁₁H₁₈O₂ requires C, 72.5; H, 10.0%); [α]_D²⁸ -32.4 (c 0.50, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm⁻¹ 3590 (OH), 3450 (OH) and 1645 (C=C); δ_H 5.87 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 10.3 and 5.9, 2-H), 5.38 (1 H, d, J 17.1, 1-H), 5.25 (1 H, d, J 10.3, 1-H), 4.13 (1 H, m, 3-H), 3.60 (1 H, m, 4-H), 2.53 (1 H, d, J 4.4, OH), 2.49 (1 H, d, J 5.4, OH), 2.48 (1 H, ddt, J 16.6, 5.4 and 2.4, 5-H), 2.38 (1 H, ddt, J 16.6, 6.4 and 2.4, 5-H), 2.16 (2 H, tt, J 6.8 and 2.4, 8-H₂), 1.51–1.33 (4 H, m, 9- and 10-H₂) and 0.90 (3 H, t, J 7.3, Me); δ_C 137.0, 117.5, 83.7, 75.2, 74.8, 72.5, 31.0, 23.7, 21.9, 18.4 and 13.6; m/z 182 (M⁺, 2.3%), 164 (1.8), 153 (11), 135 (11) and 125 (40).

(3S,4S)-3,4-Bis(tert-butyl dimethylsilyloxy)hept-1-en-6-yne (-)-**21e**

According to the procedure described for the preparation of bis-silyl ether **10e** from diol **10a**, *title compound* (-)-**21e** (248 mg, 89%) was obtained from diol **21a** (100 mg, 0.79 mmol) as an oil (Found: C, 64.1; H, 10.9. C₁₉H₃₈O₂Si₂ requires C, 64.3; H, 10.8%); [α]_D²¹ -79.9 (c 0.51, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm⁻¹ 3340 (C=C–H), 2110 (C=C) and 1645 (C=C); δ_H 5.94 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 10.7 and 4.4, 2-H), 5.28 (1 H, d, J 17.1, 1-H), 5.15 (1 H, d, J 10.7, 1-H), 4.20 (1 H, m, 3-H), 3.79 (1 H, ddd, J 8.8, 4.4 and 3.4, 4-H), 2.48 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 3.4 and 2.9, 5-H), 2.09 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 8.8 and 2.9, 5-H), 1.91 (1 H, t, J 2.9, 7-H), 0.91 (18 H, s, 'Bu × 2), 0.14 (3 H, s, Me), 0.10 (3 H, s, Me), 0.07 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.04 (3 H, s, Me); δ_C 136.3, 115.5, 83.4, 74.6, 69.1, 25.8, 21.6, 18.2, 18.1, -4.4, -4.6, -4.8 and -5.0; m/z 354 (M⁺, 0.8%), 339 (0.9), 297 (56), 241 (10), 189 (14), 147 (100), 133 (12) and 115 (19).

(3S,4S)-3,4-Bis(tert-butyl dimethylsilyloxy)-7-phenylhept-1-en-6-yne (-)-**21f**

According to the procedure described for the aforementioned preparation (**10a**→**10e**), *title compound* (-)-**21f** (409 mg, 96%) was obtained from diol **21b** (200 mg, 0.99 mmol) as an oil (Found: C, 69.4; H, 9.9. C₂₅H₄₂O₂Si₂ requires C, 69.7; H, 9.8%); [α]_D³⁰ -70.9 (c 0.50, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm⁻¹ 1650 (C=C); δ_H 7.45–7.37 (2 H, m, ArH), 7.30–7.22 (3 H, m, ArH), 5.99 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 10.3 and 4.4, 2-H), 5.32 (1 H, d, J 17.1, 1-H), 5.19 (1 H, d, J 10.3, 1-H), 4.26 (1 H, m, 3-H), 3.88 (1 H, ddd, J 9.3, 4.4 and 2.9, 4-H), 2.72 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 2.9, 5-H), 2.35 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 9.3, 5-H), 0.94 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.93 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.18 (3 H, s, Me), 0.14 (3 H, s, Me), 0.11 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.08 (3 H, s, Me); δ_C 136.4, 131.5, 128.1, 127.4, 124.2, 115.5, 89.2, 81.3, 74.7, 25.8, 25.8, 22.5, 18.2, 18.1, -4.4, -4.6, -4.7 and -4.9; m/z 430 (M⁺, 9.5%), 415 (1.1), 373 (54), 315 (11), 259 (48), 147 (78), 115 (31) and 73 (100).

(3S,4S)-3,4-Bis(tert-butyl dimethylsilyloxy)undec-1-en-6-yne (-)-**21g**

According to the procedure described for the aforementioned preparation (**10a**→**10e**), *title compound* (-)-**21g** (436 mg, 96%) was obtained from diol **21c** (200 mg, 1.10 mmol) as an oil (Found: C, 67.1; H, 11.3. C₂₃H₄₆O₂Si₂ requires C, 67.3; H, 11.3%); [α]_D¹⁸ -65.7 (c 0.51, CHCl₃); ν_{max}/cm⁻¹ 1645 (C=C); δ_H 5.93 (1 H, ddd, J 17.6, 10.7 and 4.4, 2-H), 5.25 (1 H, d, J 17.6 1-H), 5.13 (1 H, d, J 10.7, 1-H), 4.18 (1 H, m, 3-H), 3.72 (1 H, ddd, J 8.8, 4.4 and 3.9, 4-H), 2.43 (1 H, ddt, J 17.1, 3.9 and 2.4,

5-H), 2.13 (2 H, ddt, J 7.3, 6.8 and 2.4, 8-H₂), 2.06 (1 H, ddt, J 17.1, 8.8 and 2.4, 5-H), 1.50–1.35 (4 H, m, 9- and 10-H₂), 0.90 (21 H, m, 'Bu × 2 and Me), 0.12 (3 H, s, Me), 0.09 (3 H, s, Me), 0.06 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.03 (3 H, s, Me); δ_C 136.8, 115.1, 81.0, 78.5, 75.0, 74.8, 31.1, 25.8, 22.0, 21.9, 18.6, 18.2, 18.1, 13.6, -4.5, -4.7, -4.8 and -5.0; m/z 410 (M⁺, 6.2%), 395 (1.6), 353 (63), 315 (16), 239 (64), 147 (97), 115 (16) and 73 (100).

(3*S*,4*S*)-3,4-Bis(*tert*-butyldimethylsiloxy)-7-(trimethylsilyl)hept-1-en-6-yne (–)-21h

According to the procedure described for the aforementioned preparation (10a→10e), *title compound* (–)-21h (101 mg, 94%) was obtained from diol 21d (50.0 mg, 0.25 mmol) as an oil (Found: M⁺, 426.2830. C₂₂H₄₆O₂Si₃ requires M , 426.2805); $[a]_D^{18}$ –75.7 (c 0.51, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 2160 (C≡C) and 1645 (C=C); δ_H 5.92 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 10.3 and 4.4, 2-H), 5.25 (1 H, d, J 17.1, 1-H), 5.14 (1 H, d, J 10.3, 1-H), 4.19 (1 H, m, 3-H), 3.77 (1 H, ddd, J 8.8, 4.4 and 3.4, 4-H), 2.51 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 3.4, 5-H), 2.14 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 8.8, 5-H), 0.91 (18 H, s, 'Bu × 2), 0.15 (3 H, s, Me), 0.14 (9 H, s, Me), 0.11 (3 H, s, Me), 0.07 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.04 (3 H, s, Me); δ_C 136.4, 115.4, 106.2, 85.2, 74.6, 74.5, 25.8, 23.0, 18.2, 18.1, 0.09, -4.3, -4.6, -4.8 and -4.9; m/z 426 (M⁺, 0.4%), 411 (1.4), 369 (44), 315 (9.4), 255 (38), 199 (13), 147 (76), 115 (14) and 73 (100).

(3*S*,4*S*)-3,4-Diacetoxyhept-1-en-6-yne (–)-21i

According to the procedure described for the preparation of diacetate 10i from diol 10a, *title compound* (–)-21i (166 mg, 100%) was obtained from diol 21a (100 mg, 0.79 mmol) as a pale yellow oil (Found: C, 63.0; H, 6.8. C₁₁H₁₄O₄ requires C, 62.9; H, 6.7%); $[a]_D^{21}$ –17.1 (c 0.52, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 3340 (C≡C–H), 1740 (CO) and 1650 (C=C); δ_H 5.73 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 10.3 and 6.4, 2-H), 5.50 (1 H, m, 3-H), 5.36 (1 H, d, J 17.1, 1-H), 5.28 (1 H, d, J 10.3, 1-H), 5.10 (1 H, q, J 5.9, 4-H), 2.52 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 5.9 and 2.4, 5-H), 2.45 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 6.4 and 2.4, 5-H), 2.08 (3 H, s, Ac), 2.06 (3 H, s, Ac) and 2.01 (1 H, t, J 2.4, 7-H); δ_C 170.0, 169.6, 131.9, 119.5, 78.4, 73.6, 71.2, 70.9, 20.8, 20.7 and 20.7; CI mass m/z 211 (M⁺ + 1, 20%), 169 (1.4), 151 (100), 129 (1.0) and 109 (3.7).

(3*S*,4*S*)-3,4-Diacetoxy-7-phenylhept-1-en-6-yne (+)-21j

According to the procedure described for the aforementioned preparation (10a→10i), *title compound* (+)-21j (283 mg, 100%) was obtained from diol 21b (200 mg, 0.99 mmol) as a pale yellow oil (Found: C, 71.6; H, 6.3. C₁₇H₁₈O₄ requires C, 71.3; H, 6.3%); $[a]_D^{24}$ +12.8 (c 0.50, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1740 (CO) and 1645 (C=C); δ_H 7.42–7.36 (2 H, m, ArH), 7.31–7.25 (3 H, m, ArH), 5.80 (1 H, ddd, J 17.6, 10.7 and 6.3, 2-H), 5.61 (1 H, m, 3-H), 5.40 (1 H, d, J 17.6, 1-H), 5.32 (1 H, d, J 10.7, 1-H), 5.21 (1 H, td, J 6.3 and 5.9, 4-H), 2.76 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 5.9, 5-H), 2.71 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 6.3, 5-H), 2.12 (3 H, s, Ac) and 2.10 (3 H, s, Ac); δ_C 170.0, 169.6, 132.0, 131.5, 128.1, 127.9, 123.0, 119.2, 83.9, 82.8, 73.7, 71.5, 21.6, 20.8 and 20.7; m/z 286 (M⁺, 8.5%), 211 (6.1), 184 (80), 165 (25), 115 (32) and 43 (100).

(3*S*,4*S*)-3,4-Diacetoxyundec-1-en-6-yne (–)-21k

According to the procedure described for the aforementioned preparation (10a→10i), *title compound* (–)-21k (289 mg, 99%) was obtained from diol 21c (200 mg, 1.10 mmol) as a pale yellow oil (Found: C, 67.6; H, 8.2. C₁₅H₂₂O₄ requires C, 67.7; H, 8.3%); $[a]_D^{19}$ –4.9 (c 0.50, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1740 (CO) and 1645 (C=C); δ_H 5.74 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 10.8 and 6.4, 2-H), 5.51 (1 H, m, 3-H), 5.33 (1 H, d, J 17.1, 1-H), 5.26 (1 H, d, J 10.8, 1-H), 5.05 (1 H, td, J 6.4 and 5.4, 4-H), 2.47 (1 H, ddt, J 16.6, 6.4 and 2.4, 5-H), 2.41 (1 H, ddt, J 16.6, 6.4 and 2.4, 5-H), 2.11 (2 H, ddt, J 7.3, 6.3 and 2.4, 8-H₂), 2.08 (3 H, s, Ac), 2.05 (3 H, s, Ac), 1.47–1.31 (4 H, m, 9- and 10-H₂) and 0.88 (3 H, t, J 7.3, Me); δ_C 170.0, 169.7, 132.2, 119.0, 83.0, 73.9, 73.8, 72.0, 30.8, 21.8, 21.0, 20.9, 20.8, 18.3 and 13.5; CI mass m/z 267 (M⁺ + 1, 16%), 207 (100), 165 (7.2), 147 (4.1) and 105 (1.3).

(3*S*,4*S*)-3,4-Diacetoxy-7-(trimethylsilyl)hept-1-en-6-yne (–)-21l

According to the procedure described for the aforementioned preparation (10a→10i), *title compound* (–)-21l (199 mg, 93%) was obtained from diol 21d (150 mg, 0.76 mmol) as a pale yellow oil (Found: C, 59.5; H, 7.8. C₁₄H₂₂O₄Si requires C, 59.5; H, 7.9%); $[a]_D^{27}$ –13.1 (c 0.49, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 2160 (C≡C), 1740 (CO) and 1645 (C=C); δ_H 5.74 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 10.8 and 6.4, 2-H), 5.49 (1 H, m, 3-H), 5.34 (1 H, d, J 17.1, 1-H), 5.27 (1 H, d, J 10.8, 1-H), 5.11 (1 H, td, J 6.3 and 5.9, 4-H), 2.53 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 5.9, 5-H), 2.49 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 6.3, 5-H), 2.08 (3 H, s, Ac), 2.06 (3 H, s, Ac) and 0.12 (9 H, s, TMS); δ_C 169.9, 169.6, 132.0, 119.2, 100.8, 87.6, 73.8, 71.4, 22.1, 20.9, 20.7 and -0.2; m/z 282 (M⁺, 1.0%), 267 (3.4), 222 (11), 207 (16), 180 (44), 165 (24) and 117 (100).

General procedure for the Pauson–Khand reaction of enynes 21

According to the procedure described for the Pauson–Khand reaction of enynes 10, enynes 21 were exposed to two conditions (Conditions A and B). Chemical yields and product ratios between the stereoisomeric products 22 and 23 are summarised in Table 2.

(5*R*,6*S*,7*S*)- and (5*S*,6*S*,7*S*)-6,7-Diacetoxy-2-phenylbicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one 22j and 23j

A mixture of diacetates 22j and 23j (82:18) was obtained from diol 21b after acetylation (entry 2) as an oil (FAB mass: Found: M⁺ + 1, 315.1268. C₁₈H₁₉O₅ requires m/z , 315.1235); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1740 (CO), 1710 (CO) and 1660 (C=C); selected data for δ_H 7.60 (18/100 × 2 H, d, J 7.3, ArH), 7.52 (82/100 × 2 H, d, J 7.3, ArH), 7.44–7.31 (3 H, m, ArH), 5.51 (82/100 H, ddd, J 10.3, 6.4 and 5.4, 7-H), 5.30 (18/100 H, d, J 4.9, 7-H), 5.27 (18/100 H, m, 6-H), 4.93 (82/100 H, dd, J 10.1 and 6.4, 6-H), 3.47 (18/100 H, m, 5-H), 3.15 (82/100 H, m, 5-H), 2.14 (3 H, s, Ac), 2.03 (82/100 × 3 H, s, Ac) and 2.02 (18/100 × 3 H, s, Ac); FAB mass m/z 315 (M⁺ + 1, 15%), 255 (65), 195 (100), 149 (69) and 136 (61).

(5*R*,6*S*,7*S*)- and (5*S*,6*S*,7*S*)-6,7-Diacetoxy-2-butylbicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one 22k and 23k

A mixture of diacetates 22k and 23k (67:33) was obtained from diol 21c after acetylation (entry 3) as a pale yellow oil (Found: M⁺, 294.1478. C₁₆H₂₂O₅ requires M , 294.1468); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1740 (CO), 1710 (CO) and 1670 (C=C); selected data for δ_H 5.42 (67/100 H, ddd, J 10.3, 6.4 and 5.4, 7-H), 5.24–5.19 (33/100 × 2 H, m, 6- and 7-H), 4.84 (67/100 H, dd, J 10.3 and 6.4, 6-H), 2.09 (3 H, s, Ac), 2.06 (67/100 × 3 H, s, Ac), 1.98 (33/100 × 3 H, s, Ac), 0.88 (67/100 × 3 H, t, J 7.3, Me) and 0.87 (33/100 × 3 H, t, J 7.3, Me); m/z 294 (M⁺, 1.6%), 252 (8.8), 234 (15), 192 (36), 174 (100), 149 (35) and 132 (85).

(5*R*,6*S*,7*S*)- and (5*S*,6*S*,7*S*)-6,7-Diacetoxy-2-(trimethylsilyl)bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one 22l and 23l

A mixture of diacetates 22l and 23l (93:7) was obtained from diol 21d after acetylation (entry 5) as a pale yellow oil (Found: C, 58.1; H, 7.3. C₁₅H₂₂O₅Si requires C, 58.0; H, 7.1%); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1740 (CO), 1690 (CO) and 1620 (C=C); selected data for δ_H 5.42 (93/100 H, ddd, J 10.3, 6.8 and 5.9, 7-H), 5.26–5.20 (7/100 × 2 H, 6- and 7-H), 4.89 (93/100 H, dd, J 10.3 and 6.8, 6-H), 3.34 (7/100 H, m, 5-H), 3.04 (93/100 H, m, 5-H), 2.09 (3 H, s, Ac), 2.07 (93/100 × 3 H, s, Ac), 2.02 (7/100 × 3 H, s, Ac), 0.20 (7/100 × 9 H, s, TMS) and 0.18 (93/100 × 9 H, s, TMS); selected data for δ_C 212.0, 185.4, 170.6, 170.5, 139.6, 80.2, 77.3, 50.5, 41.6, 34.4, 20.9, 20.9 and -1.4; m/z 310 (M⁺, 0.3%), 295 (3.1), 250 (29), 207 (13), 190 (100), 175 (67) and 147 (14).

(5*R*,6*S*,7*S*)-6,7-Bis(*tert*-butyldimethylsiloxy)bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one (+)-22e

Compound (+)-22e was obtained as a pale yellow oil (Found: C, 62.6; H, 10.3. C₂₀H₃₈O₃Si₂ requires C, 62.8; H, 10.0%); $[a]_D^{17}$ +190.1 (c 0.51, CHCl₃); $\nu_{\max}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1705 (CO) and 1635

(C=C); δ_{H} 5.88 (1 H, m, 2-H), 4.32 (1 H, dt, J 9.8 and 5.9, 7-H), 3.61 (1 H, dd, J 9.8 and 5.9, 6-H), 3.12 (1 H, br dd, J 19.1 and 9.8, 8-H), 2.94 (1 H, m, 5-H), 2.57 (1 H, dd, J 18.2 and 6.4, 4-H), 2.41 (1 H, br dd, J 19.1 and 5.9, 8-H), 2.21 (1 H, dd, J 18.2 and 3.4, 4-H), 0.90 (18 H, s, 'Bu \times 2), 0.09 (9 H, s, Me \times 3) and 0.07 (3 H, s, Me); δ_{C} 209.1, 182.9, 126.7, 84.2, 79.7, 51.2, 41.1, 36.0, 25.8, 17.9, -4.2, -4.6 and -4.6; m/z 382 (M^+ , 0.7%), 367 (1.6), 325 (60), 297 (10), 250 (5.4), 193 (44), 147 (100) and 119 (13).

(5S,6S,7S)-6,7-Bis(tert-butylidimethylsiloxy)bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one (-)-23e

Compound (-)-**23e** was obtained as a pale yellow oil (Found: C, 62.5; H, 10.1%); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{17} -139.8$ (c 0.50, CHCl_3); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1700 (CO) and 1635 (C=C); δ_{H} 5.91 (1 H, m, 2-H), 4.21 (1 H, d, J 4.9, 7-H), 3.89 (1 H, d, J 3.9, 6-H), 3.33 (1 H, m, 5-H), 2.90 (1 H, ddd, J 19.0, 4.9 and 1.0, 8-H), 2.44 (1 H, br d, J 19.0, 8-H), 2.40 (1 H, ddd, J 17.1, 6.4 and 1.0, 4-H), 2.30 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 3.9, 4-H), 0.89 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.81 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.10 (3 H, s, Me), 0.09 (3 H, s, Me), 0.07 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.04 (3 H, s, Me); δ_{C} 211.4, 188.0, 126.0, 79.7, 76.2, 49.3, 36.3, 36.2, 25.7, 25.6, 18.0, 17.9, -4.5, -4.7, -4.8 and -5.0; m/z 382 (M^+ , 0.8%), 367 (2.5), 325 (73), 297 (9.7), 250 (3.5), 193 (63), 147 (100) and 119 (17).

(5R,6S,7S)-6,7-Bis(tert-butylidimethylsiloxy)-2-phenylbicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one (+)-22f

Compound (+)-**22f** was obtained as a solid, mp 94–95 °C (from hexane) (Found: C, 68.0; H, 9.3. $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{42}\text{O}_3\text{Si}_2$ requires C, 68.1; H, 9.2%); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{22} +68.1$ (c 0.50, CHCl_3); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1700 (CO) and 1650 (C=C); δ_{H} 7.54 (2 H, d, J 7.3, ArH), 7.40 (2 H, t, J 7.3, ArH), 7.31 (1 H, t, J 7.3, ArH), 4.41 (1 H, dt, J 9.8 and 6.4, 7-H), 3.65 (1 H, dd, 9.8 and 6.4, 6-H), 3.36 (1 H, br dd, J 18.1 and 9.8, 8-H), 2.99 (1 H, m, 5-H), 2.77 (1 H, dd, J 18.1 and 6.4, 4-H), 2.51 (1 H, ddd, J 18.1, 6.4 and 2.0, 8-H), 2.39 (1 H, dd, J 18.1 and 3.4, 4-H), 0.92 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.88 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.11 (3 H, s, Me), 0.10 (6 H, s, Me \times 2) and 0.09 (3 H, s, Me); δ_{C} 206.8, 176.2, 136.3, 131.1, 128.4, 128.2, 128.0, 84.0, 79.7, 49.0, 41.8, 36.8, 25.8, 17.9, 17.9, -4.2, -4.5 and -4.6; m/z 458 (M^+ , 0.1%), 443 (1.8), 401 (80), 326 (19), 269 (44), 195 (67), 167 (25), 147 (100) and 133 (9.3).

(5S,6S,7S)-6,7-Bis(tert-butylidimethylsiloxy)-2-phenylbicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one (-)-23f

Compound (-)-**23f** was obtained as an oil (Found: C, 68.0; H, 9.4%); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{24} -29.9$ (c 0.21, CHCl_3); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1700 (CO) and 1650 (C=C); δ_{H} 7.56 (2 H, d, J 7.3, ArH), 7.39 (2 H, t, J 7.3, ArH), 7.30 (1 H, t, J 7.3, ArH), 4.24 (1 H, d, J 4.9, 7-H), 3.94 (1 H, d, J 3.9, 6-H), 3.39 (1 H, m, 5-H), 3.00 (1 H, br dd, J 19.0 and 4.9, 8-H), 2.67 (1 H, br d, J 19.0, 8-H), 2.59 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 6.3, 4-H), 2.48 (1 H, dd, J 17.1 and 3.4, 4-H), 0.92 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.78 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.13 (6 H, s, Me \times 2), 0.06 (3 H, s, Me) and 0.05 (3 H, s, Me); δ_{C} 208.9, 181.5, 136.0, 132.0, 128.3, 128.1, 127.6, 76.5, 75.9, 47.1, 37.2, 36.8, 25.8, 25.6, 17.9, -4.4, -4.7, -4.7 and -4.9; m/z 458 (M^+ , 0.6%), 443 (4.4), 401 (100), 326 (21), 269 (33), 195 (74), 147 (96) and 133 (10).

(5R,6S,7S)- and (5S,6S,7S)-2-Butyl-6,7-bis(tert-butylidimethylsiloxy)bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one 22g and 23g

A mixture of bicyclic enones **22g** and **23g** (70:30) was obtained from enyne **21g** (entry 12) as a pale yellow oil (Found: M^+ , 438.2963. $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{46}\text{O}_3\text{Si}_2$ requires M , 438.2985); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1700 (CO) and 1660 (C=C); selected data for δ_{H} 4.31 (70/100 H, dt, J 9.8 and 6.4, 7-H), 4.20 (30/100 H, d, J 5.4, 7-H), 3.86 (30/100 H, d, J 3.9, 6-H), 3.54 (70/100 H, dd, J 9.8 and 6.4, 6-H), 3.20 (30/100 H, m, 5-H), 2.70 (70/100 H, m, 5-H), 0.90 (70/100 \times 9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.89 (70/100 \times 9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.88 (30/100 \times 9 H, s, 'Bu)

and 0.79 (30/100 \times 9 H, s, 'Bu); m/z 438 (M^+ , 0.8%), 423 (4.9), 381 (87), 353 (8.6), 325 (26), 306 (4.2), 249 (20), 175 (80), 147 (100) and 133 (24).

(5R,6S,7S)- and (5S,6S,7S)-6,7-Bis(tert-butylidimethylsiloxy)-2-(trimethylsilyl)bicyclo[3.3.0]oct-1-en-3-one 22h and 23h

A mixture of bicyclic enones **22h** and **23h** (70:30) was obtained from enyne **21h** (entry 13) as a pale yellow oil (Found: C, 61.0; H, 10.3. $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{46}\text{O}_3\text{Si}_3$ requires C, 60.7; H, 10.2%); $\nu_{\text{max}}/\text{cm}^{-1}$ 1690 (CO) and 1610 (C=C); selected data for δ_{H} 4.30 (70/100 H, dt, J 9.8 and 6.4, 7-H), 4.19 (30/100 H, d, J 5.4, 7-H), 3.86 (30/100 H, d, J 3.4, 6-H), 3.58 (70/100 H, dd, J 9.8 and 6.4, 6-H), 3.28 (30/100 H, m, 5-H), 2.88 (70/100 H, m, 5-H), 0.90 (9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.89 (70/100 \times 9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.79 (30/100 \times 9 H, s, 'Bu), 0.18 (70/100 \times 9 H, s, TMS) and 0.17 (30/100 \times 9 H, s, TMS); m/z 454 (M^+ , 1.2%), 439 (13), 423 (0.5), 398 (100), 323 (5.2), 265 (17), 191 (24), 147 (93) and 119 (15).

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