

Quinone/Hydroquinone Sesquiterpenes

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Abstract: The quinone/hydroquinone sesquiterpenes of drimane or rearranged drimane skeletons constitute a wide and diverse group of secondary metabolites of mixed biogenesis. These compounds are mainly of marine origin and their interest is not only for the variety of isolated structure but for the interesting biological activities that they present.

In this paper a series of quinone/hydroquinone sesquiterpenes of natural origin that have been reported to date is presented. The structures of these compounds are gathered into eight groups with reference to their biological activities and compounds synthesised.

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Sesquiterpene quinones/hydroquinones having a normal drimane skeleton or a rearranged drimane skeleton, represent a prominent class of mixed biogenesis metabolites that incorporate a bicyclic sesquiterpene unit coupled to a quinone or quinol [1]. Those compounds have attracted the attention of researchers both through the abundance of structural variants and the wide range of remarkable biological properties ascribed to specific samples [2]. Although most sesquiterpene quinones/hydroquinones have been isolated from sponges, some of them have been reported from brown algae [3] and at least three compounds were described from a fungus [4-6].

We present herein a compilation of the naturally occurring sesquiterpene quinones/hydroquinones, whose terpenoid unit is bicyclic, that have been isolated to date. The following collection comprises a listing of structures, along with tables that include the source of isolation, biological activities and the literature source. Some compounds have also been synthesised and these are marked with an asterisk.

• Listing of Structures

In the first part of this review all the structures are shown. Each one is accompanied with its trivial name and is numbered. The compounds are presented in an order reflecting biogenetic pathways.

All the sesquiterpene quinones/hydroquinones presented in the review possess a drimane or rearranged drimane skeleton (Fig. 1). We propose the name avarane and aureane for the rearranged skeletons considering the first compound isolated in each group (avarol/avarone [7] and aureol [8] respectively). Aureane and avarane skeletons arise from 1,2 rearrangements of the drimane skeleton. Within the avaranes two groups have been established owing to the fact that there is a large number of this class of compounds. The first one includes the avaranes Δ^3 and the second one the avaranes $\Delta^{4(13)}$ (*trans* fusion in decalin system) or $\Delta^{4(14)}$ (*cis* fusion in decalin system).

Compounds within this review have been organized in eight groups according to the sesquiterpene skeleton. Groups one to four are classified in accordance with their biogenetic evolution from the drimane skeleton:

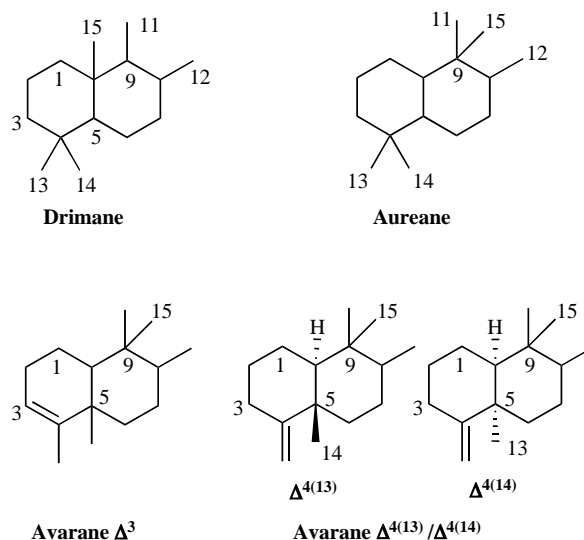


Fig. (1). Sesquiterpene skeletons.

- **Drimanes (Fig. 2)**
- **Aureanes (Fig. 3)**
- **Avaranes Δ^3 (Fig. 4)**
- **Avaranes $\Delta^{4(13)}$ / $\Delta^{4(14)}$ (Fig. 5)**

➤ **Tetracarboyclics (Fig. 6)**. In this group are collected compounds with two C-C bonds between the sesquiterpene terpenoid and the quinone/quinol ring.

➤ **Norsesquiterpenes quinone/hydroquinone (Fig. 7)**. Compounds in this group not only possess one less carbon than sesquiterpenes quinone/hydroquinone, but also have tetracarboyclic skeletons and a furan ring annelated to rings A and B.

➤ **Other rearranged skeletons (Fig. 8)**. Compounds in which the rearrangement of the sesquiterpene skeleton is unusual or because the ring B is expanded.

➤ **Dimers and related compounds (Fig. 9)**. compounds that comprise two molecules of a quinoid moiety each linked to a rearranged drimane sesquiterpene and connected by an amino group, ether or C-C bond.

Within the drimanes, aureanes and avaranes (Δ^3 and $\Delta^{4(13)}$ / $\Delta^{4(14)}$), structures possessing a quinone ring and a hydroqui-

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none ring have been distinguished in two different subgroups and every effort has been made, wherever possible, to present the aromatic subunits in increasing order of substitution. After the structure diagrams, one table for each group, is presented (Tables 1-8), giving the trivial names and numbers of along with the natural

source of isolation, the biological activity. In the third part of the review those sesquiterpene quinones/hydroquinones that have been synthesized are given together with the starting material for the synthesis of each one (Fig. (10)).

Quinones

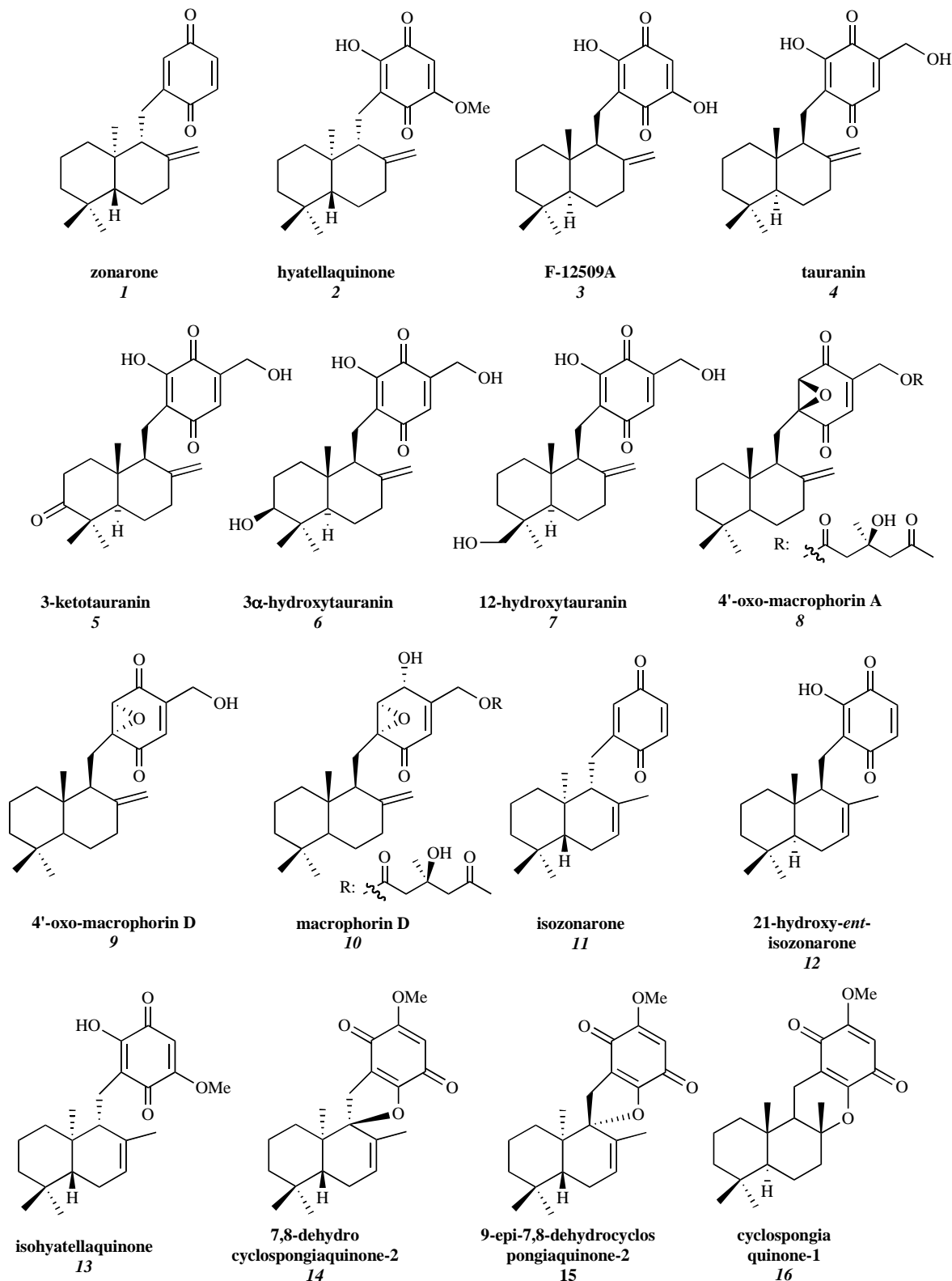


Fig. (2). Drimanes. Quinones. Compounds 1 to 16.

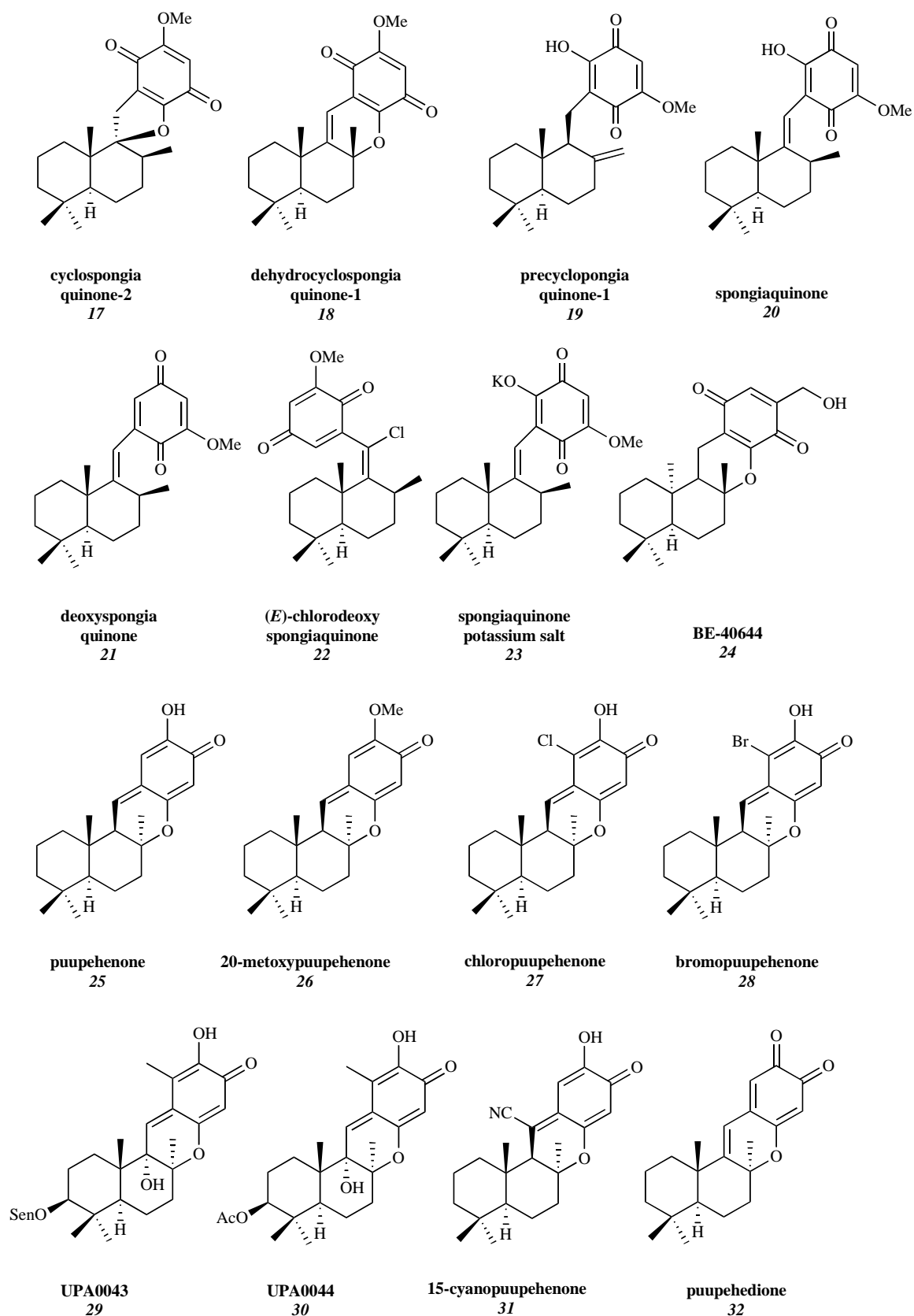
Quinones

Fig. (2). Drimanes . Quinones. Compounds 17 to 32.

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Quinones

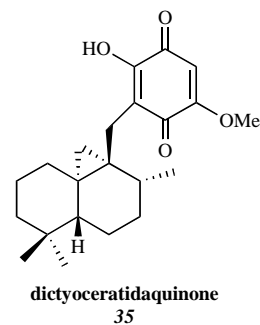
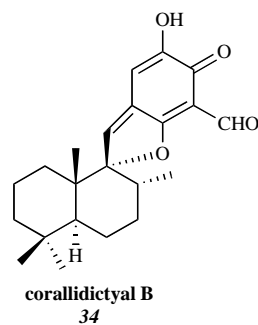
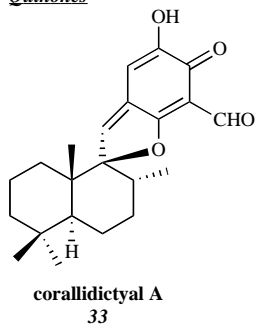


Fig. (2). Drimanes . Quinones. Compounds 33 to 35.

Hydroquinones

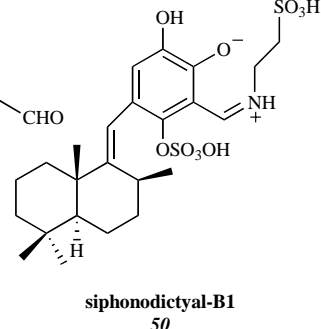
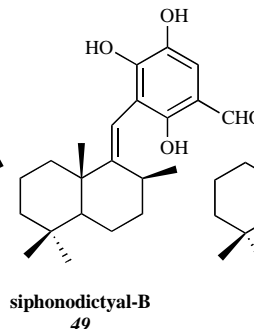
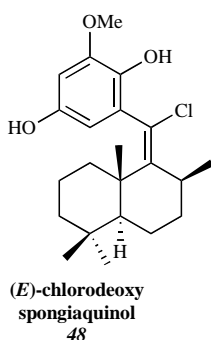
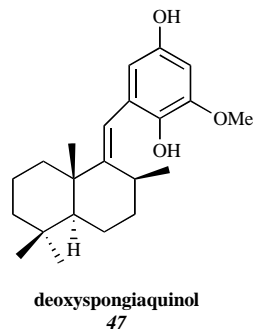
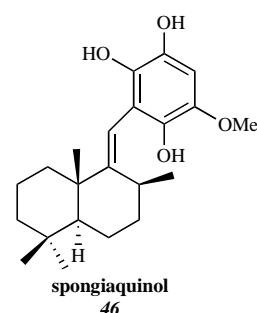
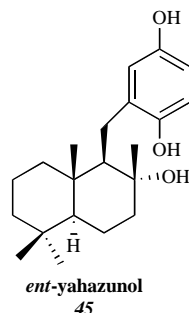
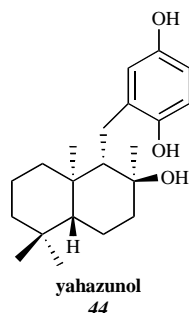
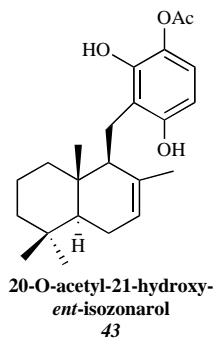
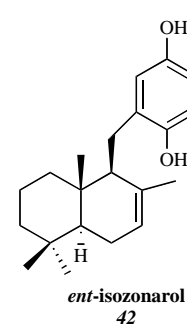
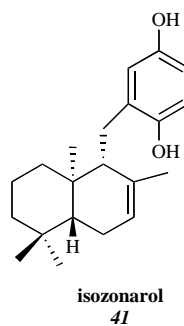
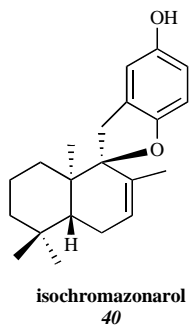
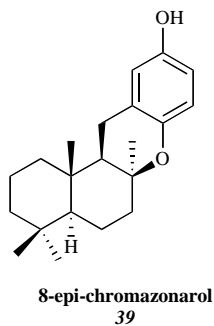
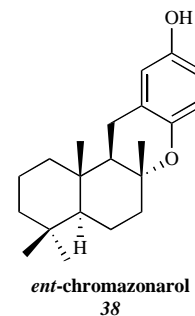
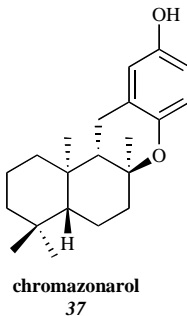
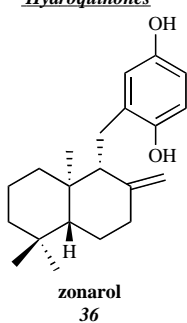


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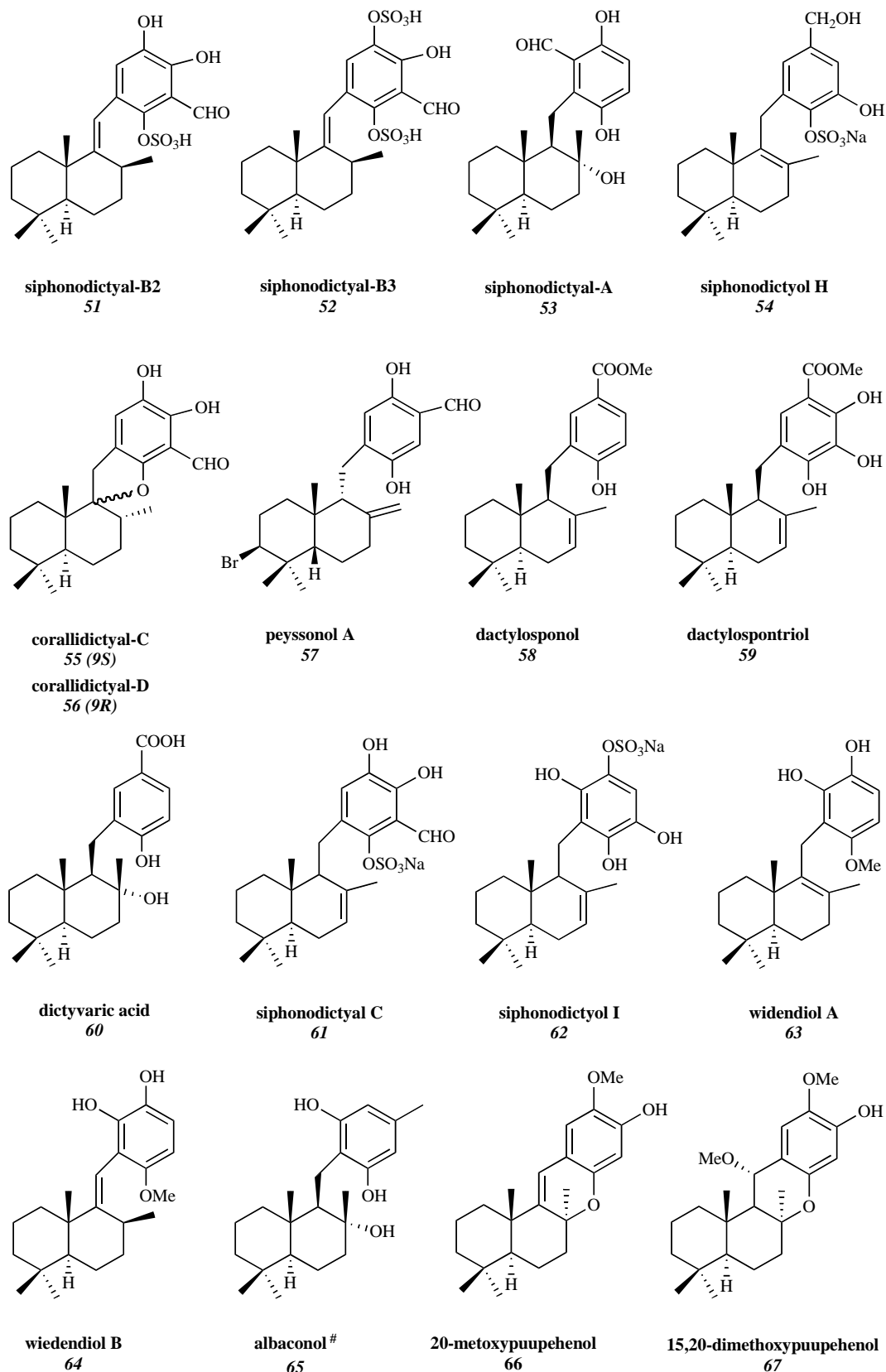
HydroquinonesFig. (2). Drimanes. *Hydroquinones*. Compounds 51 to 67.

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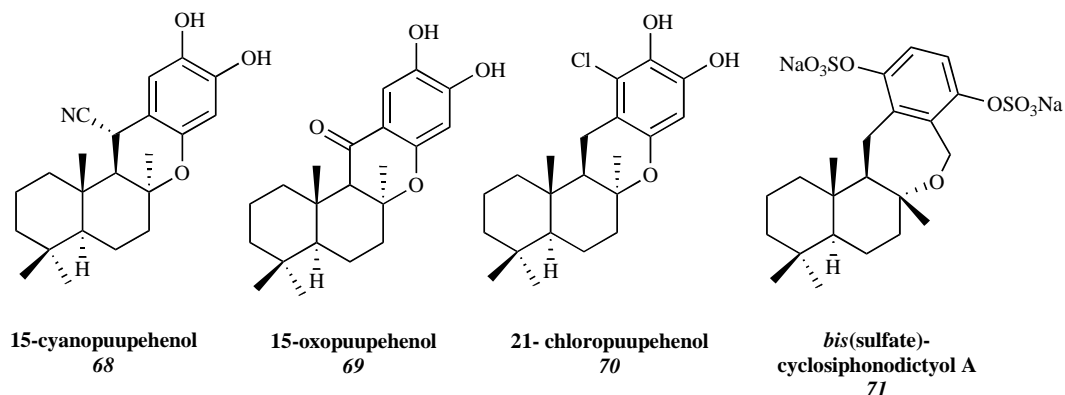


Fig. (2). Drimanes. *Hydroquinones*. Compounds 68 to 71.

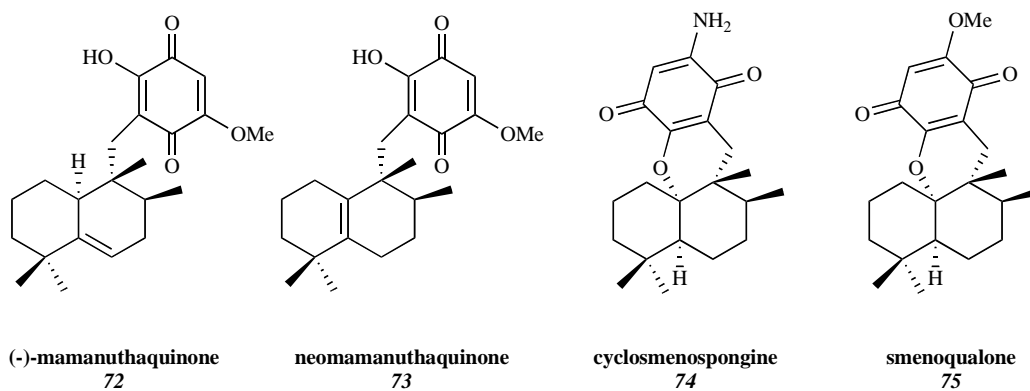


Fig. (3). Aureanes. *Quinones*. Compounds 72 to 75.

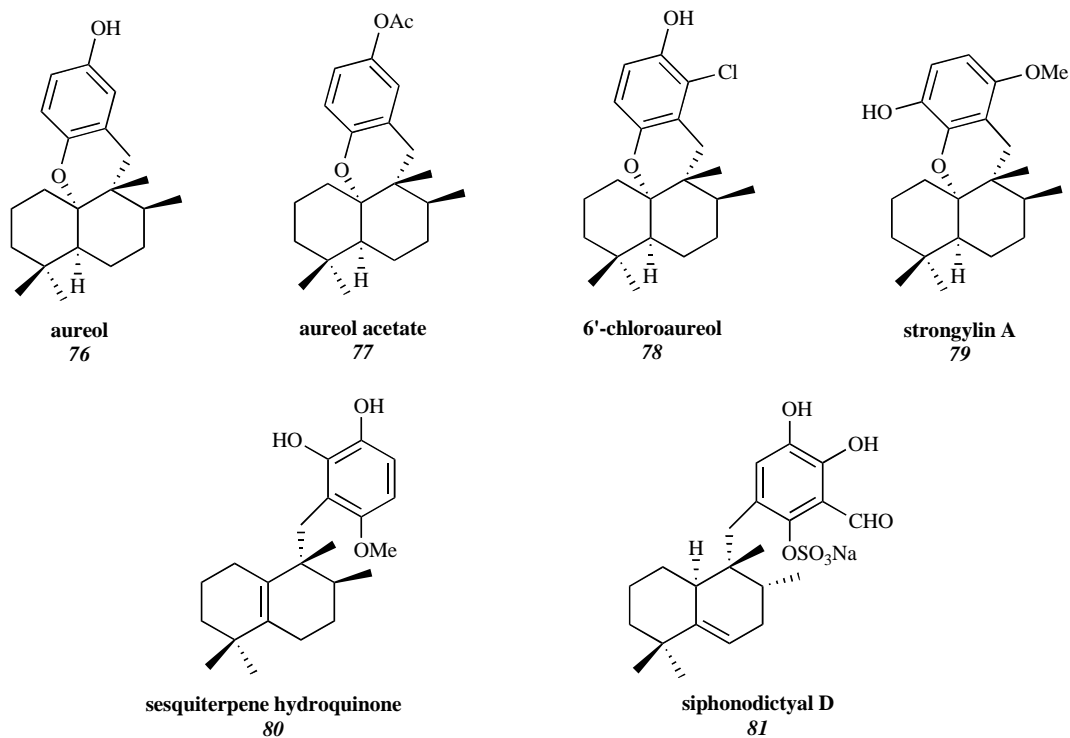


Fig. (3). Aureanes. *Hydroquinones*. Compounds 76 to 81.

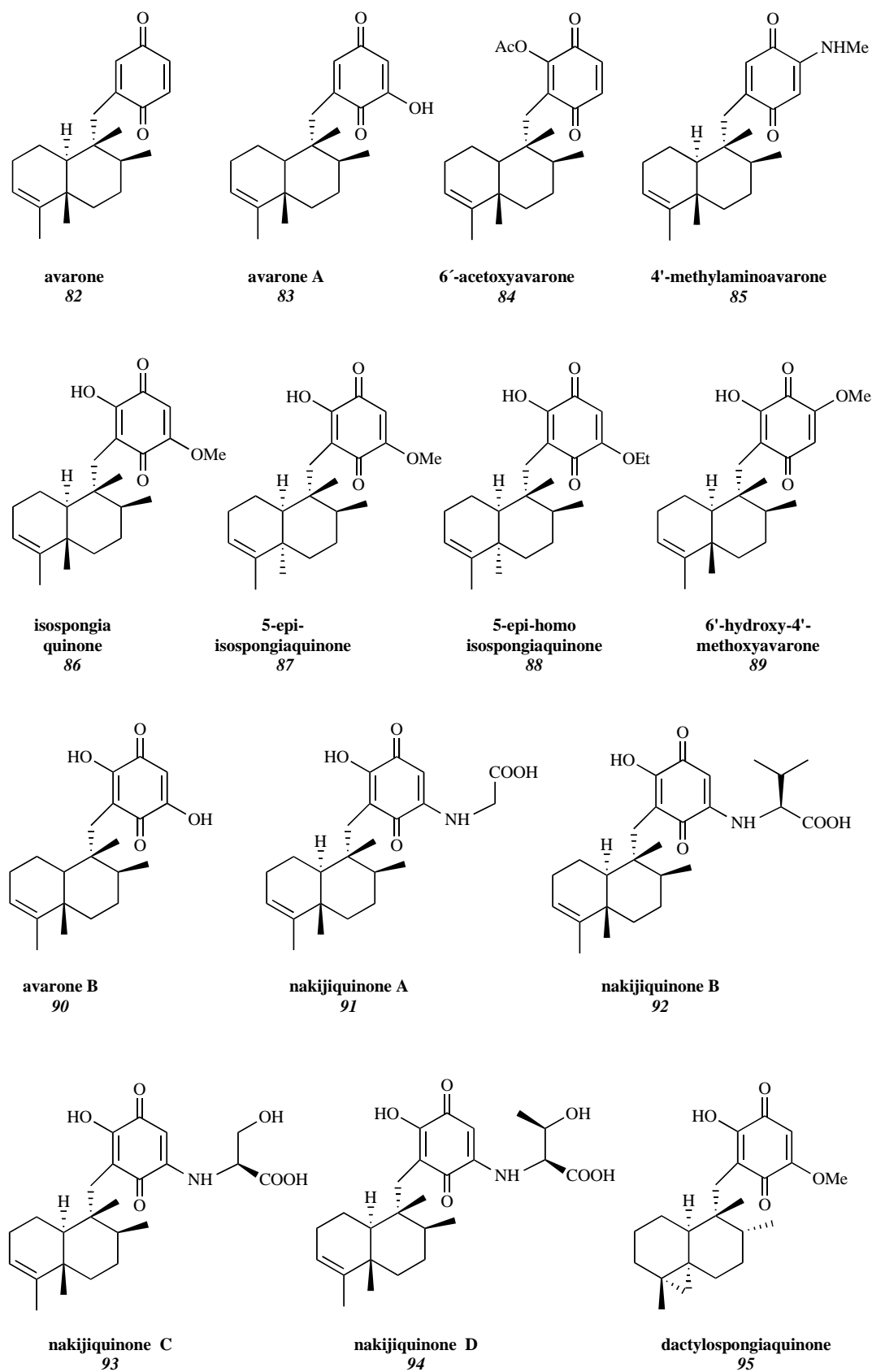
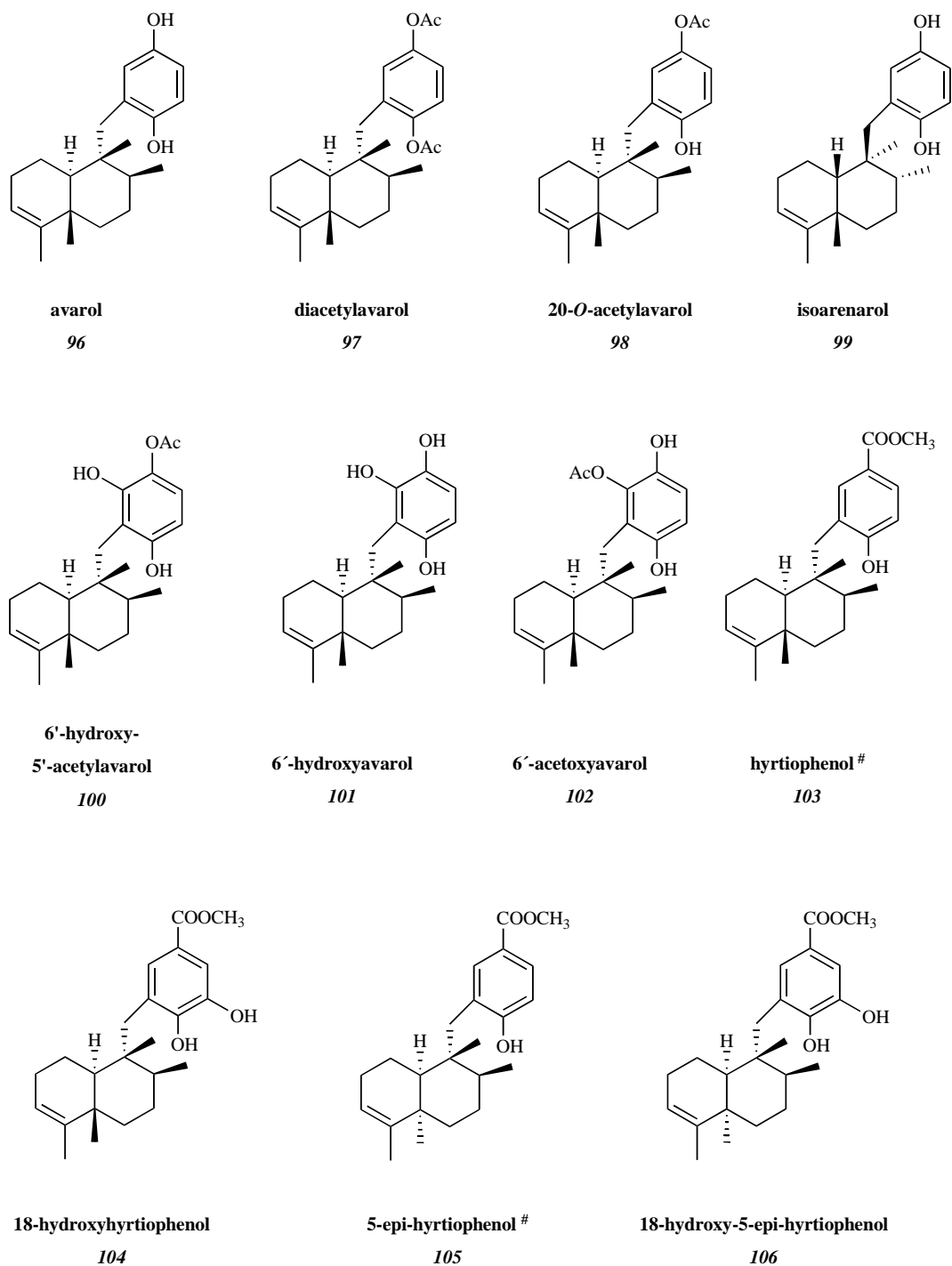
QuinonesFig. (4). Avaranes Δ^3 -Quinones. Compounds 82 to 95.

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HydroquinonesFig. (4). Avaranes Δ^3 . Hydroquinones. Compounds 96 to 106.

[#] Compounds that although are not strictly sesquiterpene quinones/hydroquinones are included in the review due to their structural similarity with the main class.

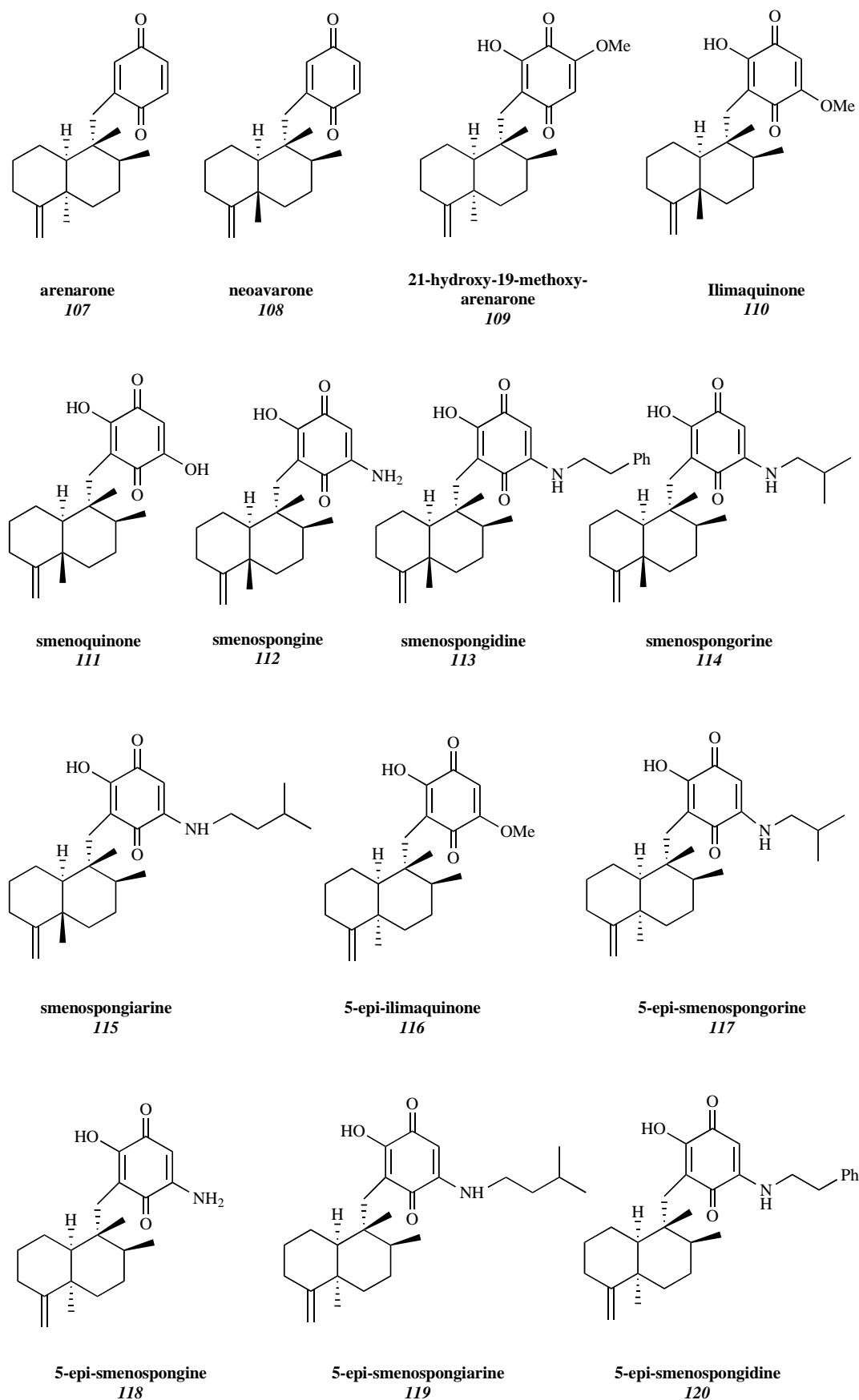


Fig. (5). Avaranes $\Delta^{4(14)}/\Delta^{4(13)}$. Quinones. Compounds 107 to 120.

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Quinones

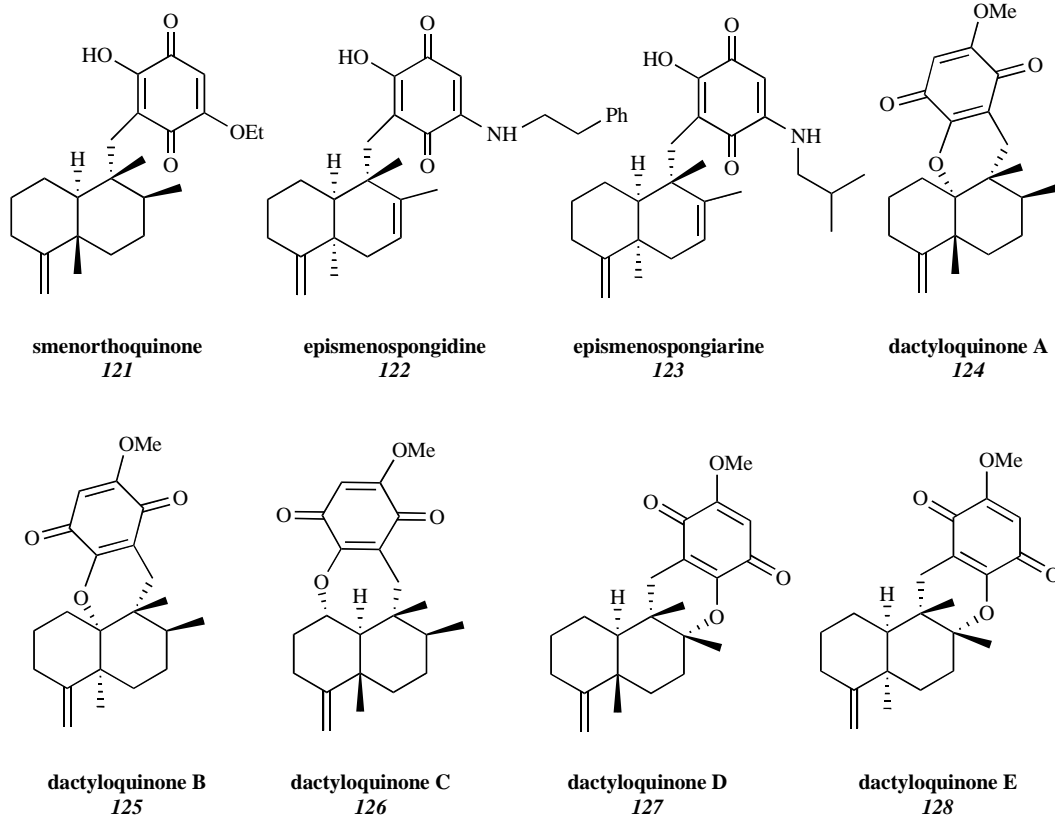
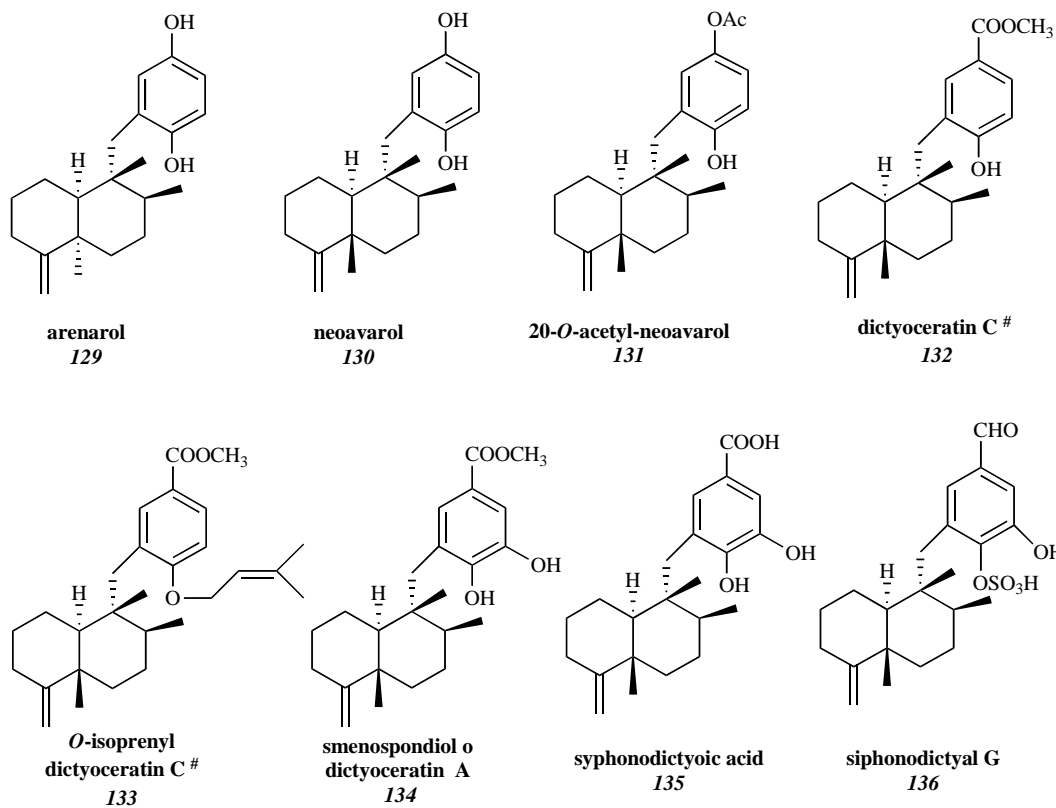
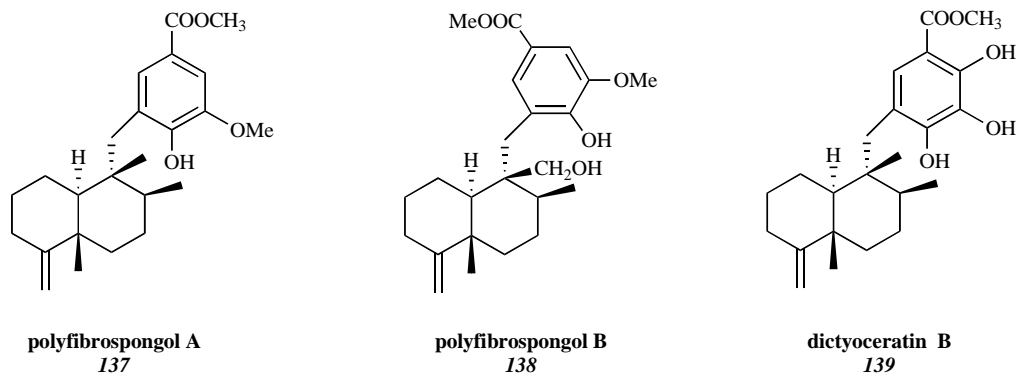


Fig. (5). Avaranes $\Delta^{4(14)}/\Delta^{4(13)}$. Quinones. Compounds 121 to 128.

Hydroquinones



Fig. (5). Avaranes $\Delta^{4(14)}/\Delta^{4(13)}$. Hydroquinones. Compounds 129 to 139.

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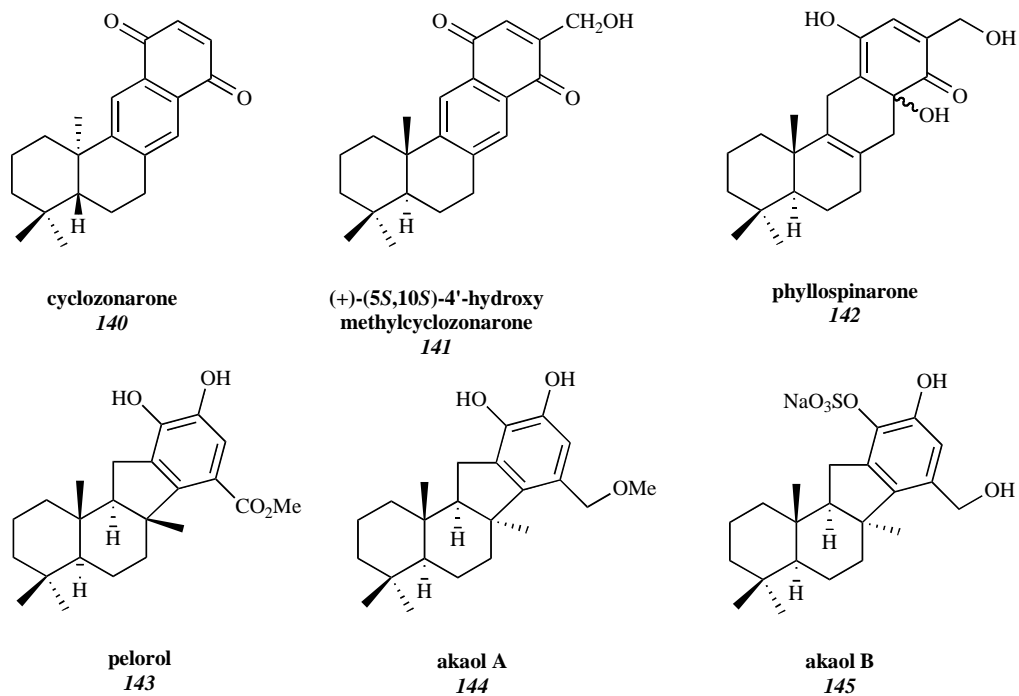


Fig. (6). Tetracyclic. Compounds 140 to 145.

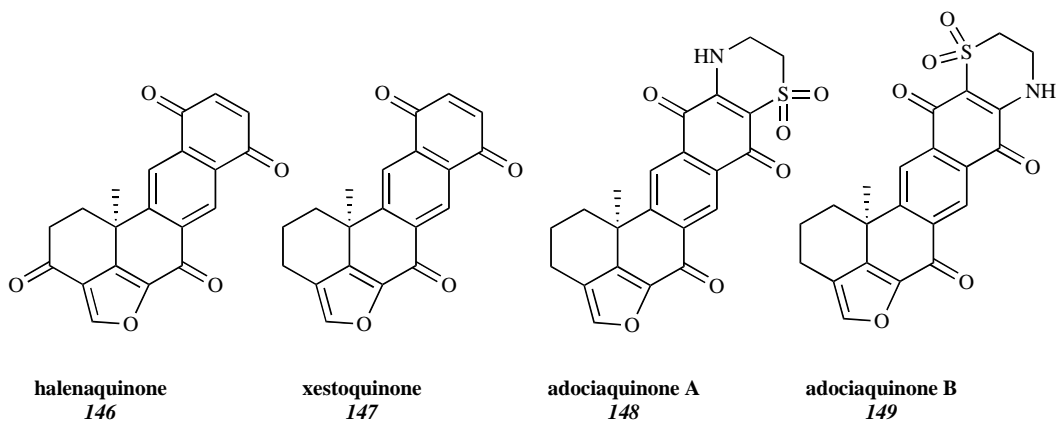


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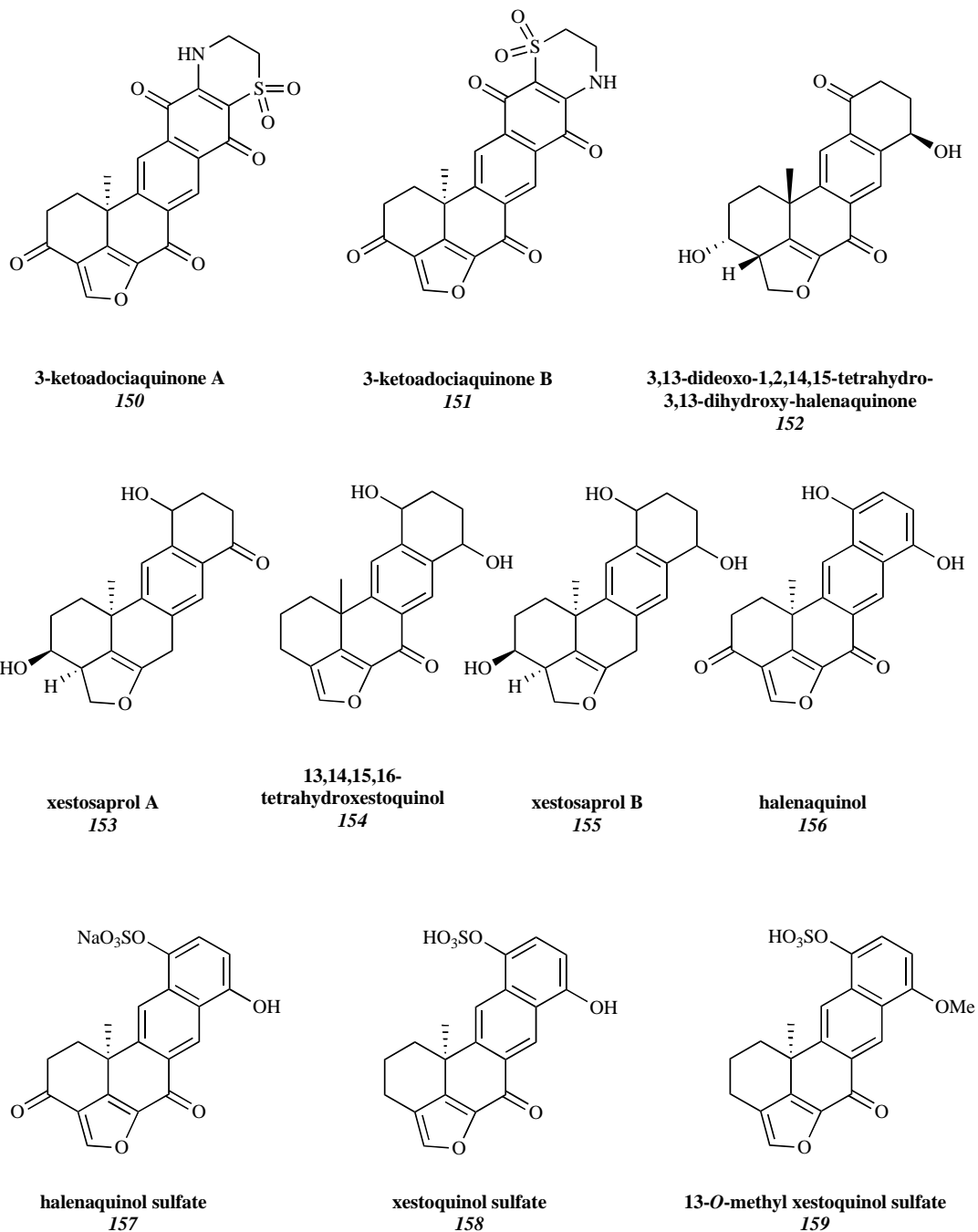


Fig. (7). Norsesquiterpene quinones/hydroquinone. Compounds 146 to 159.

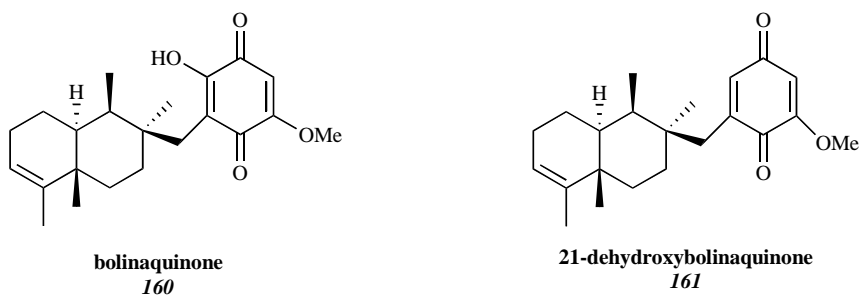


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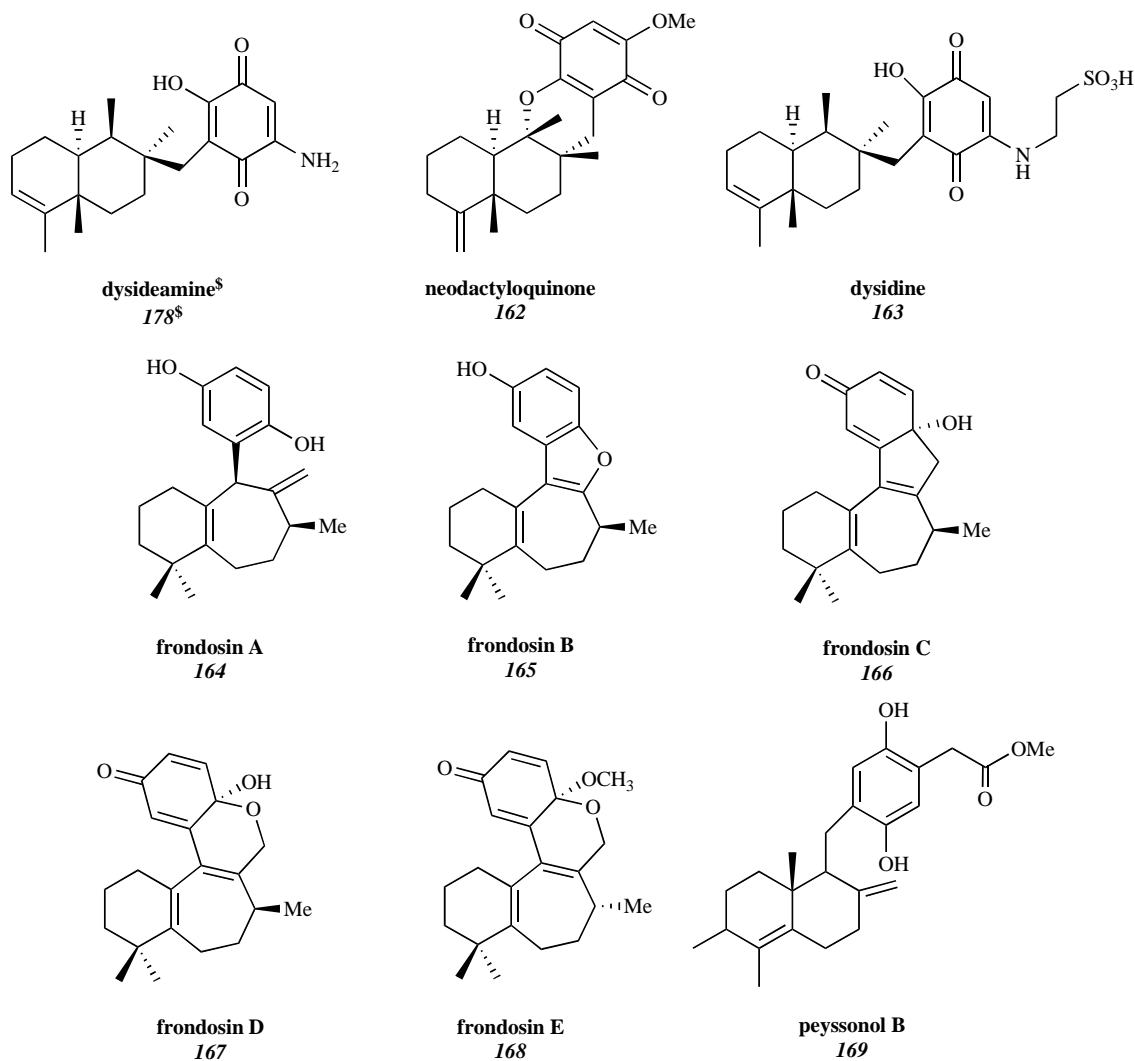


Fig. (8). Other rearranged skeleta. Compounds 160 to 169.

^sCompound 178 was isolated during the preparation of this paper. For this reason it appears with a number out of the order both in the structure listing and in the tables.

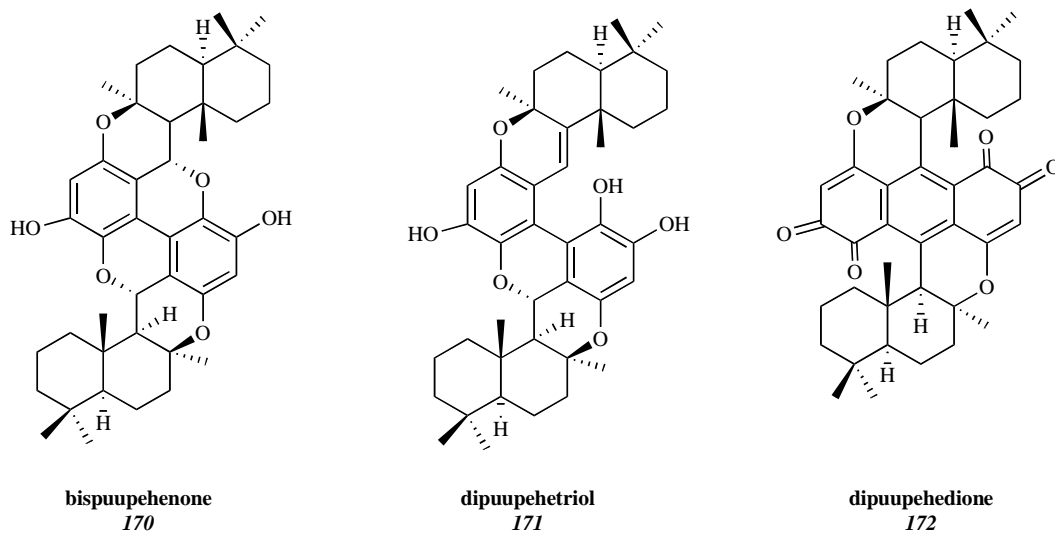


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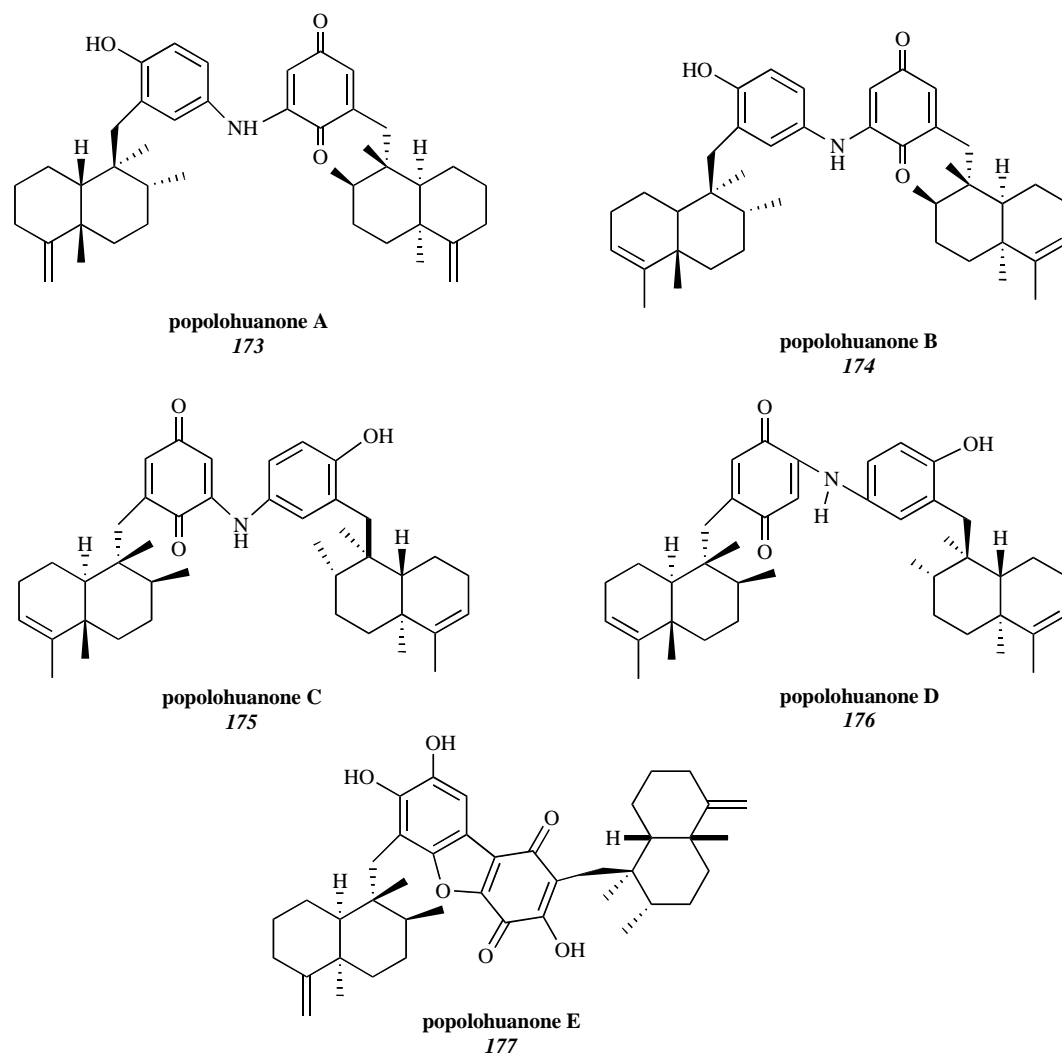


Fig. (9). Dimers and related compounds. Compounds 170 to 177.

Table 1. Drimanes

| Sesquiterpene-Quinone | Marine Source | Activity | References |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|----------------|
| Quinones | | | |
| zonarone, 1 * | <i>Dictyoperis undulada</i> | Antiinflammatory | [9-14] |
| hyatellaquinone, 2 * | <i>Hyatella intestinalis</i> <i>Dactylospongia elegans</i> <i>Peyssonnelia sp.</i> <i>Spongia sp.</i> | Anti HIV Cytostatic Cytotoxic Antiproliferative Antiinflammatory | [12, 15-21] |
| F-12509A, 3 * | <i>Trichopezizella barbata</i> | Sphingosine Kinase inhibitor | [2, 6, 22, 23] |
| tauranin, 4 | <i>Phyllosticta spinarum</i> | Antitumour Inhibits cholesterol biosynthesis | [17, 24] |
| 3-ketotauranin, 5 | <i>Phyllosticta spinarum</i> | | [24] |
| 3 α -hydroxytauranin, 6 | <i>Phyllosticta spinarum</i> | | [24] |
| 12-hydroxytauranin, 7 | <i>Phyllosticta spinarum</i> | | [24] |
| 4'-oxo-macrophorin A, 8 | <i>Eupenicillium crustaceum</i> | Immunosuppressive | [4, 25] |
| 4'-oxo-macrophorin D, 9 | <i>Eupenicillium crustaceum</i> | Immunosuppressive | [4, 25] |
| macrophorin D, 10 | <i>Eupenicillium crustaceum</i> | | [25] |

Table 1. Contd...

| Sesquiterpene-Quinone | Marine Source | Activity | References |
|--|---|---|---------------------------------|
| isozonaronone, 11 * | <i>Dictyoperis undulada</i> | Antiinflammatory | [9-14] |
| 21-hydroxy- <i>ent</i> -isozonaronone, 12 | <i>Dysidea cf. Cristagalli</i> | Antiinflammatory Inhibits superoxide production by human neutrophils | [26-28] |
| isohyatellaquinone, 13 | <i>Dactylosporgia</i> <i>Dactylosporgia elegans</i> | | [16] |
| 7,8-dehydrocyclosporgiaquinone-2, 14 | <i>Dactylosporgia elegans</i> | | [16] |
| 9- <i>epi</i> -7,8-dehydrocyclosporgiaquinone-2, 15 | <i>Dactylosporgia elegans</i> | | [16] |
| cyclosporgiaquinone-1, 16 | <i>Stelospongia conulata</i> <i>Dactylosporgia sp.</i> <i>Dactylosporgia elegans</i> | | [29-32] |
| cyclosporgiaquinone-2, 17 | <i>Stelospongia conulata</i> <i>Dactylosporgia sp.</i> | | [16, 29, 30] |
| dehydrocyclosporgiaquinone-1, 18 | <i>Stelospongia conulata</i> <i>Southern Australian spongia sp.</i> <i>Dactylosporgia sp.</i> | | [16, 29, 30] |
| precyclosporgiaquinone-1, 19 | <i>Spongia sp.</i> | | [1] |
| spongiaquinone, 20 * | <i>Stelospongia conulata</i> <i>Southern Australian spongia sp.</i> <i>Dactylosporgia sp.</i> | Cytostatic Cytotoxic Antiproliferative Antiinflammatory | [12, 16, 21, 29, 30, 33] |
| deoxyspongiaquinone, 21 | <i>Euryspongia</i> | | [34-36] |
| (<i>E</i>)-chlorodeoxyspongiaquinone, 22 | <i>Euryspongia</i> | | [34-36] |
| spongiaquinone potassium salt, 23 | <i>Spongia sp.</i> | | [19] |
| BE-40644, 24 | <i>Actinoplanes sp.</i> | Inhibitor of the human thioredoxin system | [34] |
| puupehenone, 25 * | <i>Sponge order Verongida</i> <i>Dysidea</i> | Antitumour Antiviral Antimalarial Antibiotic Immuno modular Antituberculosis | [14, 17, 19, 20, 32, 35, 37-44] |
| 20-methoxypuupehenone, 26 | <i>Hyrtios sp.</i> | | [32, 33] |
| chloropuupehenone, 27 | <i>Sponge order Verongida</i> | Antitumour Antiviral Antimalarial Antibiotic Immuno modular | [17, 19, 38, 39] |
| bromopuupehenone, 28 | | Antitumour Antiviral Antimalarial Antibiotic Immuno modular | [17, 39] |
| UPA 0043, 29 | | Antibiotic | [176] |
| UPA 0044, 30 | | Antibiotic | [176] |
| 15-cyanopuupehenone, 31 | <i>Sponge order Verongida</i> | | [17, 19, 42] |
| puupehedione, 32 * | <i>Sponge order Verongida</i> | | [17, 19, 45] |
| corallidictyal A, 33 | <i>Aka coralliphagum</i> | | [46, 47] |
| corallidictyal B, 34 | <i>Aka coralliphagum</i> | | [46, 47] |
| dictyoceratidaquinone, 35 | <i>Dictyoceratid sponge</i> <i>Dactylosporgia elegans</i> | | [16] |
| <u>Hydroquinones</u> | | | |
| zonarol, 36 | <i>Dictyopteris undulada</i> <i>Dictyopteris zonaroides</i> | Antiinflammatory | [9-15, 48] |
| chromazonarol, 37 | <i>Dictyopteris undulada</i> | | [13] |
| <i>ent</i> -chromazonarol, 38 * | <i>Dysidea pallezens</i> | | [20, 49, 50] |

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| Sesquiterpene-Quinone | Marine Source | Activity | References |
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| 8-epi-chromazonarol, 39 | <i>Dysidea palleescens</i> | | [1] |
| isochromazonarol, 40 | <i>Dysidea sp.</i> | | [16, 182] |
| isozonarol, 41 * | <i>Dictyopteris undulada</i> <i>Dictyopteris zonaroides</i> <i>Dysidea</i> | Antiinflammatory | [9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 48] |
| ent-isozonarol, 42 * | <i>Dysidea</i> | Antitumour | [49, 51] |
| 20-O-acetyl-21-hydroxy-ent-isozonarol, 43 | <i>Dysidea cf. cristagalli</i> <i>Dysidea</i> genus | Antiinflammatory Cytotoxic | [26, 27, 28] |
| yahazunol, 44 * | <i>Dictyopteris undulada</i> | | [9, 10, 14, 27, 52, 53] |
| ent-yahazunol, 45 | <i>Dysidea</i> genus | | [27, 28, 51] |
| spongiaquinol, 46 | <i>Euryspongia</i> | | [34, 36] |
| deoxispongiaquinol, 47 | <i>Euryspongia</i> | | [34, 35, 36] |
| (E)-chloro-deoxispongiaquinol, 48 | <i>Euryspongia</i> | | [34, 35, 36] |
| siphonodictyal-B, 49 | <i>Siphonodictyon coralliphagum</i> | Antimicrobial | [54, 55, 56, 177] |
| siphonodictyal-B1, 50 | <i>Aka coralliphagum</i> | | [2, 47] |
| siphonodictyal-B2, 51 | <i>Aka coralliphagum</i> | | [2, 47] |
| siphonodictyal-B3, 52 | <i>Aka coralliphagum</i> | | [2, 47] |
| siphonodictyal-A, 53 | <i>Siphonodictyon coralliphagum</i> | | [54, 57] |
| siphonodictyol H, 54 | <i>Aka sp.</i> | | [1, 56, 57] |
| corallidictyal C, 55 | <i>Aka coralliphagum</i> | | [2, 47] |
| corallidictyal D, 56 | <i>Aka coralliphagum</i> | | [2, 47] |
| peyssonol A, 57 | <i>Peyssonmelia sp.</i> <i>Hyatella intestinalis</i> | | [15, 18] |
| dactylosponol, 58 | <i>Dactylospongia elegans</i> | Cytotoxic | [58, 59] |
| dactylospontriol, 59 | <i>Dactylospongia elegans</i> | Cytotoxic | [58, 59] |
| dictyvaric acid, 60 | <i>Dictyopteris divaricata</i> | | [60, 61] |
| siphonodictyal C, 61 * | <i>Siphonodictyon coralliphagum</i> | Antimicrobial | [12, 33, 54, 56, 57] |
| siphonodictyol I, 62 | <i>Aka sp.</i> | | [33, 57] |
| wiedendiol A, 63 * | <i>Xestospongia wiedemayeri</i> | Cholesteryl ester transport protein inhibitor | [2, 12, 49, 62-68] |
| wiedendiol B, 64 * | <i>Xestospongia wiedemayeri</i> | Cholesteryl ester transport protein inhibitor Antiinflammatory Cyclooxygenase 2 inhibitor | [12, 37, 49, 62-66, 69, 177] |
| albaconol, 65 | <i>Albatrellus confluens</i> | | [5, 25] |
| 20-methoxypuupehenol, 66 | <i>Hyrtios sp.</i> | | [32, 33] |
| 15,20-dimethoxypuupehenol, 67 | <i>Hyrtios sp.</i> | | [32, 33] |
| 15-cyanopuupehenol, 68 | Sponge genus <i>Hyrtios</i> | Antitumour Antiviral Antimalarial Antibiotic Immuno modular | [17, 39, 42] |
| 15-oxopuupehenol, 69 * | Sponge genus <i>Hyrtios</i> | Antitumour Antimalarial Antiviral Antibiotic Immuno modular | [17, 27, 39, 42, 62, 64, 70] |
| 21-chloropuupehenol, 70 | <i>Hyrtios</i> genus | Antitumour Antimalarial | [42, 64] |
| bis(sulfate)-cyclosiphonodictyol, 71 | <i>Siphonodictyon coralliphagum</i> | Antiinflammatory | [71] |

Table 2. Aureanes

| Sesquiterpene-Quinone | Marine Source | Activity | References |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| <u>Quinones</u> | | | |
| (-)-mamanuthaquinone, 72 | <i>Dactylospongia elegans</i> | | [16, 72, 74, 75] |
| neomamanuthaquinone, 73 | <i>Dactylospongia</i> | Antiinflammatory Cytotoxic Antiproliferative | [12, 16, 73, 76, 77] |
| cyclospenpongine, 74 | <i>Spongia</i> sp. | Antimicrobial Cytotoxic Antitumour | [33, 77, 78] |
| smenoqualone, 75 | <i>Smenospongia</i> sp. | | [58, 77, 79] |
| <u>Hydroquinones</u> | | | |
| aureol, 76 * | <i>Smenospongia aurea</i> | Cytotoxic against A549 non small cell lung cancer cell Anti-influenza A virus | [8, 14, 73, 80-88, 183] |
| aureol acetate, 77 | <i>Smenospongia aurea</i> | | [14, 86] |
| 6'-chloroaureol, 78 | <i>Smenospongia aurea</i> | Antimicrobial | [14, 19, 86] |
| strongylin A, 79 | <i>Strongylophora hartmani</i> | | [65, 89] |
| sesquiterpene hydroquinone, 80 | | | [12] |
| siphonodictyal D, 81 | <i>Siphonodictyon coralliphagum</i> | Antimicrobial | [56] |

Table 3. Avaranes Δ^3

| Sesquiterpene-Quinone | Marine Source | Activity | References |
|---|--|--|---|
| <u>Quinones</u> | | | |
| avarone, 82 * | <i>Dysidea avara</i> <i>Dysidea cf. cristagalli</i> | Antiviral Anti HIV I Antiinflammatory Antileukemic | [7, 20, 26, 34, 35, 49, 55, 59, 84, 90-99, 181] |
| avarone A, 83 | <i>Dysidea cinerea</i> | Anti- HIV I | [100, 101] |
| 6'-acetoxiavarone, 84 | <i>Dysidea cinerea</i> | Anti- HIV I | [100] |
| 4'-methylaminoavarone, 85 | <i>Dysidea avara</i> | | [63] |
| isospingiaquinone, 86 * | <i>Stelospongia conulata</i> <i>Hyrrios tubulatus</i> | | [16, 29, 30, 59, 77, 102, 103, 104] |
| 5-epi-isospingiaquinone, 87 | <i>Spongia hispida</i> | Antibiotic | [30, 58, 73, 105] |
| 5-epi-homoisospingiaquinone, 88 | <i>Spongia hispida</i> | | [105] |
| 6'-hydroxy-4'-methoxyavarone, 89 | <i>Dysidea cinerea</i> | | [100, 101] |
| avarone B, 90 | <i>Dysidea cinerea</i> | | [100, 101] |
| nakijiquinone A, 91 * | <i>Spongiidae</i> | Antifungal Antiviral Cytotoxic | [18, 75, 106, 179] |
| nakijiquinone B, 92 * | <i>Spongiidae</i> | Antifungal Antiviral Cytotoxic | [18, 75, 179] |
| nakijiquinone C, 93 * | <i>Spongiidae</i> | Inhibitory activity against c-erbB-2 kinase Inhibitory activity of Her-2/Neu protooncogen Antiviral Cytotoxic | [20, 62, 64, 75, 104, 178] |
| nakijiquinone D, 94 * | <i>Spongiidae</i> | Inhibitory activity against c-erbB-2 kinase Antiviral Cytotoxic | [62, 64, 75, 178] |

Table 3. contd...

| Sesquiterpene-Quinone | Marine source | Activity | References |
|---|--|---|--|
| dactylospongiaquinone, 95 | <i>Dactylospongia sp.</i> | | [2, 16, 30] |
| Hydroquinones | | | |
| avarol, 96 * | <i>Dysidea avara</i> <i>Dysidea cf. cristagalli</i> | Antiviral against HIV I Antiinflammatory Antitumour | [2, 7, 15, 20, 26, 34, 35, 51, 55, 73, 84, 90-97, 99, 103, 107, 108] |
| diacetylavarol, 97 | <i>Dysidea avara</i> | | [51, 64, 91] |
| 20-O-acetylavarol, 98 | <i>Dysidea avara</i> | | [64, 96] |
| isoarenarol, 99 | <i>Dysidea arenaria</i> | Protein kinase inhibitor | [33, 110] |
| 6'-hydroxy-5'-acetyl-avarol, 100 | <i>Dysidea avara</i> | | [26, 91] |
| 6'-hydroxyavarol, 101 | <i>Dysidea cinerea</i> | Anti-HIV-I | [100] |
| 6'-acetoxyavarol, 102 | <i>Dysidea cinerea</i> | Anti-HIV-I | [26, 100] |
| hyrtiophenol, 103 | <i>Hyrtios tubulatus</i> <i>Petrosiaspongia metachromia</i> | | [22, 102, 111, 112] |
| 18-hydroxy-hyrtiophenol, 104 | <i>Hyrtios tubulatus</i> <i>Petrosiaspongia metachromia</i> | | [22, 102, 111, 112] |
| 5-epi-hyrtiophenol, 105 | <i>Hyrtios tubulatus</i> | | [22, 102, 112] |
| 18-hydroxy-5-epi-hyrtiophenol, 106 | <i>Hyrtios tubulatus</i> | | [22, 102, 112] |

Table 4. Avaranes $\Delta^{4(14)}/\Delta^{4(13)}$

| Sesquiterpene-Quinone | Marine Source | Activity | References |
|--|---|--|---|
| Quinones | | | |
| arenarone, 107 | <i>Dysidea arenaria</i> | | [105, 109] |
| neovarone, 108 * | <i>Dysidea genus</i> | | [82, 84, 103, 105, 113] |
| 21-hydroxy-19-methoxyarenarone, 109 | <i>Hyrtios tubulatus</i> | | [22, 102, 112] |
| ilimaquinone, 110 * | <i>Hippospongia metachromia</i> <i>Hyatella intestinales</i> <i>Dactylospongia elegans</i> <i>Hippospongia sp.</i> <i>Polyfibrospongia australis</i> <i>Petrosiaspongia metachromia</i> <i>Fenestraspongia sp.</i> <i>Smenospongia sp.</i> | Antitumour Differentiation-inducing activity of K562 cells into erythroblast | [14, 15, 16, 31, 55, 59, 63, 64, 72, 73, 76, 85, 92, 94, 103, 105, 106, 111, 114-124] |
| smenoquinone, 111 | <i>Hippospongia sp.</i> | | [1, 118] |
| smenospongine, 112 | <i>Smenospongia sp.</i> <i>Dactylospongia elegans</i> <i>Hippospongia sp.</i> | Antitumour Differentiation-inducing activity of K562 cells into erythroblast | [31, 38, 59, 60, 115, 116, 118, 119, 125, 126, 127] |
| smenospongidine, 113 * | <i>Dactylospongia elegans</i> <i>Hippospongia sp.</i> <i>Smenospongia sp.</i> | Differentiation-inducing activity of K562 cells into erythroblast | [9, 59, 92, 115, 118] |
| smenospongiorine, 114 | <i>Dactylospongia elegans</i> <i>Hippospongia sp.</i> | Differentiation-inducing activity of K562 cells into erythroblast | [115, 116] |
| smenospongiarine, 115 | <i>Smenospongia sp.</i> | | [59, 116] |
| 5-epi-ilimaquinone, 116 | <i>Dactylospongia elegans</i> <i>Hippospongia sp.</i> <i>Polyfibrospongia australis</i> <i>Hyrtios tubulatus</i> <i>Petrosiaspongia metachromia</i> <i>Fenestraspongia sp.</i> | Antimicrobial Differentiation-inducing activity of K562 cells into erythroblast | [31, 59, 73, 76, 102, 105, 111, 115, 116, 117, 123] |
| 5-epi-smenospongiorine, 117 | <i>Smenospongia sp.</i> <i>Dactylospongia elegans</i> <i>Hippospongia sp.</i> | Differentiation-inducing activity of K562 cells into erythroblast | [60, 115, 116, 118] |
| 5-epi-smenospongine, 118 | <i>Dactylospongia elegans</i> <i>Hippospongia sp.</i> <i>Petrosiaspongia metachromia</i> | Differentiation-inducing activity of K562 cells into erythroblast | [22, 111, 112, 115, 116] |

Table 4. contd...

| Sesquiterpene-Quinone | Marine Source | Activity | References |
|---|---|---|---|
| 5-epi-smenospongiarine, 119 | <i>Hippospongia</i> sp. | Antileukemic | [59, 116, 118] |
| 5-epi-smenospongidine, 120 | <i>Dactylopongia elegans</i> <i>Hippospongia</i> sp. | Differentiation-inducing activity of K562 cells into erythroblast | [59, 115, 116] |
| smenorthoquinone, 121 | <i>Smenospongia</i> sp <i>Spongia hispida</i> | | [105, 118] |
| epismenospongidine, 122 | <i>Dactylopongia elegans</i> | Cytotoxic | [58] |
| epismenospongiarine, 123 | <i>Dactylopongia elegans</i> | Cytotoxic | [58] |
| dactyloquinone A, 124 | <i>Dactylopongia elegans</i> | | [31, 128, 129] |
| dactyloquinone B, 125 | <i>Dactylopongia elegans</i> | | [31, 128, 129] |
| dactyloquinone C, 126 | <i>Dactylopongia elegans</i> | | [14, 31, 130] |
| dactyloquinone D, 127 | <i>Dactylopongia elegans</i> | | [14, 31, 130] |
| dactyloquinone E, 128 | <i>Dactylopongia elegans</i> | | [14, 31, 130] |
| Hydroquinones | | | |
| arenarol, 129 * | <i>Hyrtilis tubulatus</i> <i>Dysidea arenaria</i> | | [37, 63, 64, 73, 80, 81, 83, 102, 103, 105, 109, 131, 132, 176] |
| neoavarol, 130 * | <i>Dysidea</i> genus | | [20, 51, 82, 84, 105, 113] |
| 20-O-acetylneoavarol, 131 | <i>Dysidea</i> genus <i>Dysidea cf. cristagalli</i> | Inhibited superoxide production by human neutrophils | [27, 28, 51] |
| dictyoceratin C, 132 | <i>Dactylopongia elegans</i> <i>Petrosiaspongia metachromia</i> | | [111, 115, 124] |
| O-isoprenyl-dictyoceratin, 133 | <i>Spongia</i> genus | Inhibits the lyase activity of DNA polymerase | [38, 60, 124] |
| dictyoceratin A o smenospondiol, 134 * | <i>Polyfibrospongia australis</i> <i>Hippospongia</i> sp. <i>Dactylopongia elegans</i> <i>Smenospongia</i> sp. | | [31, 59, 115, 117, 118, 123, 129, 133, 134] |
| siphonodictyoic acid, 135 | <i>Aka coralliphagum</i> | | [1, 56] |
| siphonodictyal G, 136 | <i>Aka coralliphagum</i> | | [2, 47, 56] |
| polyfibrospongol A, 137 | <i>Polyfibrospongia australis</i> | Cytotoxic against KB-16, A-549 and murine P-388 | [37, 117, 123] |
| polyfibrospongol B, 138 | <i>Polyfibrospongia australis</i> | Cytotoxic against KB-16, A-549 and murine P-388. | [37, 117, 123] |
| dictyoceratin B, 139 | <i>Hippospongia</i> sp. | | [1, 134] |

Table 5. Tetracarboecyclic

| Sesquiterpene-Quinone | Marine Source | Activity | References |
|--|--|---|----------------------------------|
| cyclozaronone, 140 * | <i>Dictyopteris undulada</i> | Inhibited the feeding of young abalone <i>Haliotis discus</i> | [9, 10, 13, 34, 35, 135, 136] |
| (+)-(5S,10S)-4'-hydroxymethylcyclozaronone, 141 | <i>Phyllosticta spinarum</i> | | [24] |
| phyllospinarone, 142 | <i>Phyllosticta spinarum</i> | | [24] |
| pelorol, 143 * | <i>Dactylopongia elegans</i> <i>Petrosiaspongia metachromia</i> | | [22, 31, 57, 111, 131, 137, 180] |
| akaol A, 144 | <i>Aka</i> sp. | | [33, 57] |
| akaol B, 145 | <i>Aka</i> sp. | | [1, 57] |

Table 6. Norsesquiterpenes quinone/hydroquinone

| Sesquiterpene-Quinone | Marine Source | Activity | References |
|--|--|---|---|
| halenaquinone, 146 * | <i>Xestospongia sapra</i> <i>Xestospongia exigua</i> | Inhibits protein tyrosine kinase, PI3 kinase and topoisomerase I. Inhibits the Ca ²⁺ and K ⁺ (AEDT) ATPase activities of myosin. Activates the ATPase of actomyosin. Cytotoxic against KB and P388 cell lines Cardiotonic activity | [1, 138-149] |
| xestoquinone, 147 * | <i>Xestospongia sapra</i> <i>Xestospongia exigua</i> <i>Adocia sp.</i> | Cardiotonic activity Inhibits the Ca ²⁺ and K ⁺ (AEDT) ATPase activities of myosin. Activates the ATPase of actomyosin. Inhibits protein tyrosine kinase, PI3 kinase and topoisomerase I. Antiplasmodial Antimalarial | [1, 138, 139, 142, 150-156] |
| adociaquinone A, 148 * | <i>Xestospongia</i> genus <i>Adocia sp.</i> | Cytotoxic against P388, HCT, KB16 and HEP-3B cell lines. | [1, 139, 142, 154] |
| adociaquinone B, 149 * | <i>Xestospongia</i> genus <i>Adocia sp.</i> | Cytotoxic against P388, HCT, KB16 and HEP-3B cell lines. | [1, 139, 142, 154] |
| 3-ketoadociaquinone A, 150 | <i>Xestospongia</i> genus <i>Adocia sp.</i> | | [1, 139, 142] |
| 3-ketoadociaquinone B, 151 | <i>Xestospongia</i> genus | | [1, 139] |
| 3,13-dideoxo-1,2,14,15-tetrahydro-3,13-dihydroxy-halenaquinone, 152 | <i>Adocia sp.</i> | | [1, 139, 142, 149] |
| xestosaprol A, 153 | <i>Xestospongia</i> genus <i>Xestospongia sapra</i> | | [1, 139, 157] |
| 13,14,15,16-tetrahydroxestoquinol, 154 | <i>Adocia sp.</i> | | [1, 149] |
| xestosaprol B, 155 | <i>Xestospongia sapra</i> | | [1, 157] |
| halenaquinol, 156 * | <i>Xestospongia sapra</i> <i>Xestospongia exigua</i> | Inhibits protein tyrosine kinase | [1, 138, 140, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 148] |
| halenaquinol sulfate, 157 | <i>Xestospongia sapra</i> <i>Xestospongia exigua</i> | Inhibits the membrane fusion events of echinoderm gametes | [1, 138, 148, 149] |
| xestoquinol sulfate, 158 | <i>Xestospongia sapra</i> | | [1, 149, 157] |
| 13-O-methyl xestoquinol sulfate, 159 | <i>Xestospongia</i> genus | | [1, 139] |

Table 7. Other Rearranged Skeletons

| Sesquiterpene-Quinone | Marine Source | Activity | References |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|----------------------|
| bolinaquinone, 160 | <i>Dysidea villosa</i> | Cytotoxic against Hela cell line. | [63, 90, 158, 159] |
| 21-dehydroxybolinaquinone, 161 | <i>Dysidea villosa</i> | | [90] |
| Dysideamine, 178 [§] | <i>Dysidea sp.</i> | Neuroprotective effect against iodoacetic acid induced cell death. | [184] |
| neodactyloquinone, 162 | <i>Dactylopongia elegans</i> | Cytotoxic against línea celular HeLa. | [33, 160] |
| dysidine, 163 | <i>Dysidea villosa</i> | PTP1B inhibitor | [90, 158] |
| frondosin A, 164 * | <i>Dysidea frondosa</i> | Inhibits the binding of interleukin-8 to its receptor (anti-inflammatory to prevent autoimmune disorders: rheumatoid arthritis and psoriasis) Anti HIV | [161, 162, 163, 165] |

[§] Compound **178** was isolated during the preparation of this paper. For this reason it appears with a number out of the order both in the structure listing and in the tables.

Table 7. Contd....

| Sesquiterpene-Quinone | Marine Source | Activity | References |
|---------------------------|--|---|----------------------|
| frondosin B, 165 * | <i>Dysidea frondosa</i> <i>Euryspongia sp.</i> | Inhibits the binding of interleukin-8 to its receptor (anti-inflammatory to prevent autoimmune disorders: rheumatoid arthritis and psoriasis) | [161, 163-167] |
| frondosin C, 166 | <i>Dysidea frondosa</i> | Inhibits the binding of interleukin-8 to its receptor (anti-inflammatory to prevent autoimmune disorders: rheumatoid arthritis and psoriasis) | [161, 163, 165] |
| frondosin D, 167 | <i>Dysidea frondosa</i> <i>Euryspongia sp.</i> | Inhibits the binding of interleukin-8 to its receptor (anti-inflammatory to prevent autoimmune disorders: rheumatoid arthritis and psoriasis Anti HIV) | [161, 163, 165, 167] |
| frondosin E, 168 | <i>Dysidea frondosa</i> | Inhibits the binding of interleukin-8 to its receptor (anti-inflammatory to prevent autoimmune disorders: rheumatoid arthritis and psoriasis) | [163, 165] |
| peyssonol B, 169 | <i>Peyssonelia sp.</i> <i>Hyatella intestinales</i> | | [15, 18] |

Table 8. Dimmers and Related Compounds

| Sesquiterpene-Quinone | Marine Source | Activity | References |
|-----------------------------|--|--|--------------------|
| bispuupehenone, 170 | <i>Hyrtios eubamma</i> <i>Dysidea sp.</i> | | [1, 44, 168] |
| dipuupetriol, 171 | <i>Hyrtios sp.</i> | | [42] |
| dipuuphedione, 172 | <i>Hyrtios sp.</i> <i>Dysidea sp.</i> | Cytotoxic | [34, 35, 169] |
| popolohuanone A, 173 | <i>Dysidea sp.</i> | | [170] |
| popolohuanone B, 174 | <i>Dysidea sp.</i> | | [170] |
| popolohuanone C, 175 | <i>Dysidea</i> <i>Dysidea avara</i> | Inhibitor of protein tyrosine kinase. | [51, 58, 159, 171] |
| popolohuanone D, 176 | <i>Dysidea avara</i> | Inhibitor of protein tyrosine kinase | [58, 171] |
| popolohuanone E, 177 | <i>Dysidea sp.</i> | Inhibitor of topoisomerase II Cytotoxic against A549 cell line Antitumour. | [172-175] |

* Structures that have been synthesized as well as isolated from natural sources

- Synthetic aspects

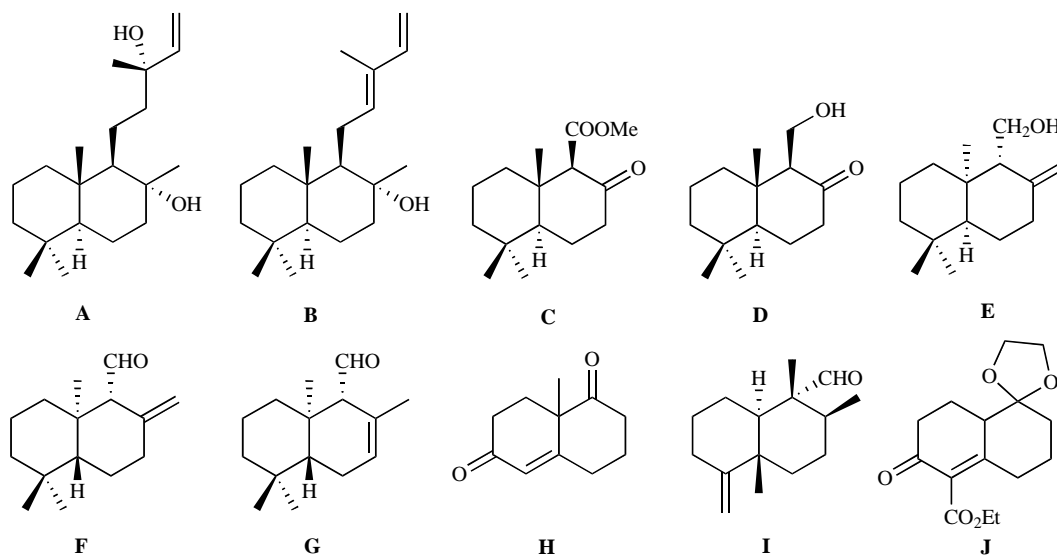


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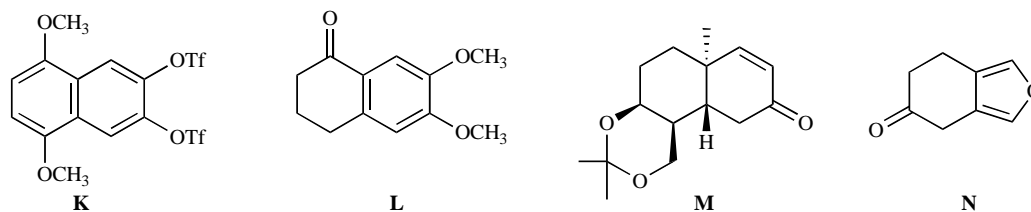


Fig. (10). Starting material for the synthesis of sesquiterpenes quinone hydroquinone.

Sesquiterpenes synthesized from:

- sclareol, **A**: 2, 69, 25, 32, 63, 64, 143, 42, 38
- *cis*-abienol, **B**: 64, 25, 63
- β -ketoester **C**: 44, 63, 3
- β -ketoester **C** derivative, **D**: 44
- albicanol, **E**: 140
- albicanal, **F**: 44, 1, 36, 20, 2
- albicanal isomer, **G**: 11, 41
- Wieland-Miescher, enone **H**: 96, 82, 129, 76, 92, 93, 94, 11, 130, 108, 91, 114, 86, 146, 156
- Geraniol derivative, **I**: 134
- Compound **J**: 129
- Naftalen derivative **K**: 146, 156
- Tetrahydronaftalen derivative **L**: 146, 156
- Decalone **M**: 147
- Tetrahydro benzofuran **N**: 147
- Xestoquinone 147: 148, 149

Halenquinone, **146** has been synthesized both through a strategy based on an intramolecular inverse-electron-demand Diels-Alder reaction and intramolecular Heck cyclization [143, 144].

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