Synthesis of (−**)-TAN-2483A. Revision of the Structures and Syntheses of (**±**)-FD-211 (Waol A) and (**±**)-FD-212 (Waol B)**

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revised structure of TAN-2483A (5)

FD-211 (waol A, 6)

ABSTRACT

The structure of waol A has been revised from 1 to 6, the vinylogue of TAN-2483 A (5). Aldol reaction of 10b(c) with 2,4-hexadienal (11) affords 9b(c), which is subjected to iodoetherification with bis(sym-collidine)IPF₆ to provide 8b(c). Treatment with Et₃N in CH₂Cl₂ completes three-step **syntheses of TAN-2483A (5) and waol A (6).**

Mizoue and co-workers reported the isolation of waol A (FD-211, **1**), which has a broad spectrum of activity against cultured tumor cell lines, including adriamycin-resistant HL-60 cells, from the fermentation broth of *Myceliophthora lutea* TF-0409 (Figure 1).1 More recently, they reported the

isolation of waol B (FD-212, **2**), which has similar biological activity, from the same source. 2 Tadano has reported an approach to the synthesis of **1**. 3

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However, the carbonyl group of waol A absorbs at 1767 cm-¹ , ¹ which is characteristic of a *γ*-lactone, rather than the *δ*-lactone of **1**. The alkene ring hydrogen of waol A absorbs at δ 6.90,¹ while that of 1 would be expected to absorb between *δ* 5 and 6. An absorbance at *δ* 6.90 is characteristic of CH $=C$ -C=O. Taken together, these discrepancies suggest that waol A might be a substituted 2,3,7,7a-tetrahydro-5*H*-furo[3,4-*b*]pyran-5-one (**3**).

A literature search uncovered two compounds with this ring system, TAN-2483B (**4**) and TAN-2483A (**5**) (Figure 2), which show strong c-src kinase inhibitory action and inhibit PTH-induced bone resorption of a mouse femur.⁴ The structure of **5** was assigned crystallographically, the absolute stereochemistry was assigned by the Mosher ester method, and the relative stereochemistry of **4** was determined by NOE

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Figure 2. Structures of TAN-2483A and TAN-2483B and revised structure of waol A.

experiments.5 The carbonyl groups of **4** and **5** absorb at 1760 cm-¹ , and the alkene ring hydrogens absorb at *δ* 7.12 and 6.90, respectively. H2 and H3 of TAN-2483B (**4**) absorb at δ 4.35 and 4.45, and H₂ and H₃ of both TAN-2483A (5) and waol A absorb at δ 4.05 and 4.10, respectively. This suggests that waol A might be the vinylogue of TAN-2483A with structure **6**.

Retrosynthetic analysis (Scheme 1) suggested that TAN-2483A (**5**) and waol A (**6**) should be available from epoxy

lactone **7**, which should be easily formed from iodohydrin **8**. Iodohydrin **8** should be accessible stereospecifically by iodoetherification of diene diol **9**, which can be prepared by an aldol reaction of the dianion of hydroxyfuranone **10** with 2,4-hexadienal (**11**). Aldol reactions of **10** occur stereospecifically from the face opposite the hydroxy group, but give mixtures of isomers at the hydroxy group on the side chain.⁶

A model study was carried out with commercially available (*S*)-dihydro-4-hydroxyfuranone (**10a**) and 2,4-hexadienal (**11**), which is a 4:1 mixture of (2*E*,4*E*)- and (2*E*,4*Z*)-isomers (Scheme 2). *Note that structures 10a, 9a, 12a, ¹⁴, and ¹⁶*- *21 are drawn for clarity with the same absolute stereochemistry as TAN-2483A, although they are the enantiomers.* Treatment of **10a** with 2 equiv of LDA in THF and addition of dienal 11 at -42 °C as described by Prestwich^{6a} affords

a readily separable mixture of **9a** and **12a**, both as a 4:1 mixture of (2*E*,4*E*)- and (2*E*,4*Z*)-isomers. Flash chromatography on 20% AgNO₃ on silica gel gives pure 9a (26%) and **12a** (29%). The stereochemistry of the side chain alcohol could not be determined by spectral analysis and was established from the spectra of iodohydrins **14** and **16** (see below).

Iodoetherification of the desired isomer **9a** under a wide variety of conditions provides <5% iodo alcohol **¹⁴**, while iodoetherification of the undesired isomer $12a$ with I_2 and solid NaHCO₃ in CH₃CN affords 70% of iodo alcohol 16 (Scheme 3).⁷ In **14**, $J_{2,3} = 10.4$ Hz, $J_{3,4} = 9.8$ Hz, $J_{4,4a} =$

10.4 Hz, and $J_{4a,7a} = 11.6$ Hz, indicating that all of the hydrogens on the tetrahydropyran ring are axial and all of the substituents are equatorial. In 16, $J_{2,3} = 10.4$ Hz, $J_{3,4}$ < 1 Hz, $J_{4.4a}$ < 1 Hz, and $J_{4a.7a}$ = 11.6 Hz, indicating that the H_4 is equatorial and the hydroxy group is axial. Isomerization

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of **16** to the *cis*-fused isomer **17** occurs easily on heating in the presence of $NAHCO₃$ or on silica gel.

We were initially puzzled as to why **12a** undergoes facile iodoetherification to give **16**, while **9a** fails to give the more stable isomer **14** with an equatorial hydroxy group. Closer examination of the literature revealed that Chamberlin and Yoshida had made related observations⁷ and that Chamberlin and Hehre had explained the origins of these effects.⁸ Cyclizations in which the nucleophile is in the R group proceed slowly through the disfavored π complex 13 with the hydrogen eclipsed with the double bond and rapidly through the favored π complex 15 with the hydroxy group eclipsed with the double bond. The π complex formed from **9a** has the hydrogen eclipsed with the double bond and therefore cyclizes slowly to give 14. The π complex formed from **12a** has the hydroxy group eclipsed with the double bond and therefore cyclizes rapidly to give **16**.

A more reactive iodinating agent is needed to convert **9a** to **14** in high yield. Bis(*sym*-collidine)IPF₆ is a very reactive but moisture-sensitive iodinating reagent that can easily be prepared in situ from $bis(sym-collidine)AgPF_6$ and iodine.⁹ We were delighted to find that reaction of bis(*sym*-collidine)- AgPF₆ (1.6 equiv) and iodine (1.2 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 , addition of **9a**, and stirring for 1.5 h affords 80% of **14**, which can be purified by flash chromatography on water-deactivated silica gel (Scheme 4). Partial isomerization to the more stable

cis-fused isomer **18** occurs otherwise. Treatment of either **14** or **18** with Et₃N in CH₂Cl₂ for 3 d at 25 °C affords epoxides **19** or **20**, which react further to give 87% of **21**, with spectral data similar to those of TAN-2483A (**5**) and waol A (**6**). The iodide and hydroxy groups of **14** are in a diequatorial arrangement. Formation of the epoxide requires either that the pyran ring of **14** adopts a boat conformation with these groups anti-periplanar or that the flexible *cis*-fused isomer **18** adopts the chair conformation with the iodide and hydroxy groups anti-periplanar.

(-)-Dihydro-4-hydroxy-5-methyl-2-furanone (**10b**) was prepared by Hatakeyama's procedure in >90% ee.10 Dihydroxylation of methyl 3Z-pentenoate¹¹ with OsO₄ and NMO and treatment of the resulting diol with acid gave (\pm) -10b. Treatment with Novozyme lipase, vinyl acetate, and 1,4,8,- 11-tetrathiacyclotetradecane in diisopropyl ether gave $(-)$ -**10b** and the enantiomeric acetate.

We were pleased to find that the selectivity for **9** in the aldol reaction improves with an alkyl substituent on the furanone. Treatment of the dianion of **10b** with **11** affords 38% of the desired adduct **9b** and only 14% of **12b** after $AgNO₃$ chromatography (Scheme 2). Iodoetherification of **9b** provides 88% of iodo alcohol **8b**, which gives 79% of TAN-2483A (5) on treatment with Et_3N in CH_2Cl_2 at 25 °C for 3 d (Scheme 5). The ¹ H and 13C NMR spectra of **5** are

identical to those of the natural product. The optical rotation, $[\alpha]_D$ -236, has the same sign but is somewhat smaller than that reported, $[\alpha]_D$ -292, confirming the assignment of the absolute stereochemistry.

Propenyl lactone **9c** was made by modification of Griengl's procedure (Scheme 6).12 Reaction of 2*E*-butenal with NaCN and $HC1¹³$ and silylation¹⁴ gives 34% (unoptimized) of 22. Reaction of 22 with Zn, TMSCl, and BrCH₂CO₂Me¹⁵ affords 86% of keto ester **23**, which is reduced with NaBH4 in

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MeOH at -15 °C to give 97% of 24 as a 5:1 mixture of isomers. Deprotection with TBAF in $CH₃CN$ and acidcatalyzed lactonization provides 63% of (\pm) -10c and 13% of (\pm) -25¹⁶

Treatment of the dianion of **10c** with 2,4-hexadienal (**11**) affords 44% of the desired adduct **9c** and 21% of **12c** after AgNO3 chromatography (Scheme 2). Iodoetherification of **9c** provides 95% of iodo alcohol **8c**, which gives 98% of **6** on treatment with Et_3N in CH_2Cl_2 at reflux overnight. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of 6 are identical to those of FD-211 (waol A), indicating that the revised structure we proposed is correct.

Hydrolysis of **6** with KOH in MeOH/H2O, followed by acidification and immediate reaction with $CH₂N₂$, affords 38% of 26 with ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data identical to those for FD-212 (waol B) and 47% of MeOH adduct **27** resulting from conjugate addition of methoxide and protonation to give the *cis-*fused ring system (Scheme 7).

We prepared lactone **28** as a potential precursor to TAN-2483B by addition of OsO4 and NMO to methyl 3*E*- pentenoate.17 Addition of 2,4-hexadienal (**11**) to the dianion of **28** provides 29% of **29** and 30% of **30**. Iodoetherification of **29** affords 92% of **31** (Scheme 8). Treatment of **31** with

Et3N in CH2Cl2 at reflux for 3 d provides only 32% of **32** and 61% of recovered **31**. As expected, the spectral data of **32** are different from those of TAN-2483B (**4**), which is isomeric to TAN-2483A (5) at C_{7a} while 32 is isomeric at C7. The formation of **32** from **31** is much slower than with the other iodohydrins, suggesting that the β -methyl group of **31** makes conformations with the iodide and hydroxy groups anti-periplanar more strained. Treatment of **31** with 5 equiv of the stronger base DBN in CH_2Cl_2 for 1 h at 0 °C gives 89% of **32**.

In conclusion, we have reassigned the structures of waols A and B as **6** and **26** and completed the first syntheses of these molecules and $(-)$ -TAN-2483A (5) in three steps from lactones **9** by aldol reaction, iodoetherification, and elimination.

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