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

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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

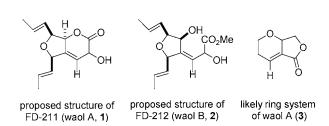


Figure 1. Proposed structures of waol A and waol B.

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

However, the carbonyl group of waol A absorbs at 1767 cm⁻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, 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

Scheme 1. Retrosynthetic Analysis

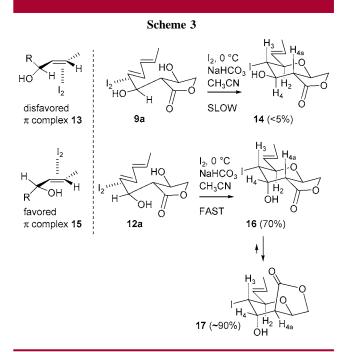
lactone **7**, which should be easily formed from iodohydrin **8**. Iodohydrin **8** should be accessible stereospecifically by iodoetherification of diene diol **9**, which can be prepared by an aldol reaction of the dianion of hydroxyfuranone **10** with **2**,4-hexadienal (**11**). Aldol reactions 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

Scheme 2

a readily separable mixture of 9a and 12a, both as a 4:1 mixture of (2E,4E)- and (2E,4Z)-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 I₂ 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 H₄ 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 observations and that Chamberlin and Hehre had explained the origins of these effects. 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)AgPF₆ and iodine. We were delighted to find that reaction of bis(*sym*-collidine)-AgPF₆ (1.6 equiv) and iodine (1.2 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂, 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-pentenoate ¹¹ 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 Et₃N in CH₂Cl₂ at 25 °C for 3 d (Scheme 5). The ¹H 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 HCl¹³ 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 acid-catalyzed lactonization provides 63% of (\pm)-**10c** and 13% of (\pm)-**25**. ¹⁶

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 Et₃N in CH₂Cl₂ 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 C_7 . 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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