# Amidation-Sulfonation of Selected Unsaturated Monoterpenes

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Amidation-sulfonation of (+)-camphene (1), (-)- $\beta$ - and (-)- $\alpha$ -pinene (3,4), (+)-limonene (5), (+)-2-carene (16), and (+)-carvone (21) with a mixture of 25% oleum and aceto- or propionitrile is described. Camphene (1) gave racemic *exo*-2-amidobornanesulfonic acids (8,9), whereas 3 and 4 produced optically active *p*-mentheneamidosulfonic acids (10–15). Under the same reaction conditions 1,4-addition to (+)-2-carene (16) leading to (1*R*,4*R*)-(-)-4-(1-acetylamino-1-methylethyl)-1-methyl-cyclohex-2-enesulfonic acid (17) was observed. Mixtures of diastereomeric structural terpene analogues of N-acetyl-taurine were obtained from 5 and 21. Mechanisms of the investigated reactions are proposed.

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As described in [1-3], alkenes react with sulfur trioxide or its complex with 1,4-dioxane to give stereospecifically  $\beta$ -sultones or cyclic sulfonate-sulfate anhydrides (carbyl sulfates). For example, reaction of (+)-camphene (1) with sulfur trioxide-1,4-dioxane complex leads to 10-isobornyl sultone (2) [3] (Fig. 1). These compounds are readily hydrolyzed in the presence of water or alcohols to form 2-hydroxy-, vinylor allyl sulfonic acid [4,5]. When carbyl sulfates are treated with wet acetonitrile it is possible to obtain  $\beta$ -acetamidosulfonic acids [6]. Another method of the last mentioned acids preparation is the Ritter reaction [7] of simple terminal alkenes with a mixture of nitriles and fuming sulfuric acid so far described in few patents [8,9]. The resulted  $\beta$ -amidosulfonic acids were used as foam stabilizers and, after hydrolysis to the respective  $\beta$ -aminosulfonic acids, in plant protection and as viral antimetabolites. This method, to our best knowledge, was not employed in terpene chemistry. In continuation of our studies [10-14] on the Ritter reaction of terpenes, we explored the synthesis of new sulfonated amides by the action of oleum in nitriles on selected chiral monoterpene alkenes. Marschoff and coworkers [15,16] reported that (-)- $\beta$ -pinene (3), (-)- $\alpha$ -pinene (4), and (+)-limonene (5), upon a reaction in the presence of perchloric acid gave enantiospecifically 3-aza-bicyclo[3.3.1]non-2-ene systems (6 and 7) (Fig. 1). The proposed mechanism involved initial protonation of a double bond prior to substitution of an acetonitrile molecule, cyclization and the reaction with another molecule of acetonitrile. As sulfur trioxide can also add to a double bond, we expected that syntheses planned by us will proceed similarly. However, when a stoichiometric amount (with respect to sulfur trioxide) of 25% oleum was used as sulfonating agent, no cyclization was observed for any terpene alkene studied.



Figure 1.

# **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

The reaction of camphene (1) with 25% oleum in acetonitrile at  $-30^{\circ}$ C to 20°C for 18 h gave racemic *exo*-2-acetamido-10-bornanesulfonic acid (8) in 46% yield. Its structure was confirmed by <sup>1</sup>H-, <sup>13</sup>C-NMR and IR spectroscopy. The <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum showed, apart from other signals, an AB-type pattern for the  $-CH_2SO_3H$  group. The *exo*-position of the acetamide substituent was corroborated by the doublet of doublets at  $\delta$  3.82 (J = 9 Hz, J = 4.5 Hz) characteristic of the 2-substituted bornane derivatives [17]. The <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum revealed the presence of an acetamide group at  $\delta$  173.94. The IR spectrum displayed strong absorption bands at 655, 1170 and 1209 cm<sup>-1</sup> characteristic for sulfonic acids. The formation of 8 can be explained by an initial addition of sulfur trioxide to the double bond of camphene (1) followed by the Wagner-Meerwein rearrangement, 6,2-hydride shift leading to racemization, and an attack of acetonitrile from the *exo*-side (Fig. 2). In propionitrile, *exo*-2-propioamido-10-bornane sulfonic acid (9) was obtained in 46% yield. Optically active acids 10 and 11 were obtained in 63% and 45% yield, by amidation-sulfonation of (-)- $\beta$ -pinene (3) in aceto- or propionitrile. Initial addition of sulfur trioxide to a double bond le-

ads to a tertiary carbonium ion 12, which is transformed into a cation 13 with a cyclobutane ring opening and simultaneous formation of an internal double bond (Fig. 2). The cation 13 is attacked by acetonitrile to form 10 with a retention of configuration at the C-4 atom. The structure of 10 was supported by the presence of signals at  $\delta$  129.27 and  $\delta$  130.29 for trisubstituted double bond in the <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum. The initial attack of sulfur trioxide on a double bond followed by the rearrangement to the *p*-menthene system was also observed for (-)- $\alpha$ -pinene (4). The *trans* position of the sulforyl group relative to the isopropyl group in acetamidosulfonic acid (14) is probably due to steric effects. This assumption is supported by the coupling constant value of a doublet centered at  $\delta$  3.35 (J = 4 Hz, 1H) characteristic of axial-equatorial interactions. The reaction of (+)-2-carene (16) in acetonitrile gave amidoacid 17. Its structure was established by <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectroscopy (see Experimental). The structure of 17 points to its formation by the 1,4-addition process to a conjugated system of the double bond and the cyclopropane ring. An analogous situation was described in [18] for a free-radical addition of ethanethiol to 16. We have no direct evidence of the stereochemistry of the C-1 atom but we assume *R*-configuration, due a steric hindrance in the initial stage of amidation-sulfonation. The addition of sulfur trioxide to (+)-limonene (5) proceeded selectively to the isopropenyl group producing the cation 18, which reacted with acetonitrile to give a mixture of diastereomers 19a/b as indicated by duplicated signals in the <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum (see Experimental). For comparison, (+)-carvone (21) was subjected to the same amidation-sulfonation reaction an analogous regioselectivity was observed, and a mixture of diastereomeric products 22a/b was obtained (Fig. 2). The <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of a mixture 22a/22b in D<sub>2</sub>O displayed three methyl groups at  $\delta$  1.26, 1.55 and 1.80, two one-proton separated doublets centered at  $\delta$  2.97 (J = 5 Hz) and  $\delta$  3.05 (J = 5 Hz) for each diastereomer. An additional doublet ( $\delta$  3.56, J = 14 Hz) is attributed to the second proton of the -CH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H group of both components of the mixture. The structure of the compounds investigated 22a/22b was confirmed by NOE experiments. Thus, irradiation of a doublet  $\delta$  3.56 characteristic for the -CH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H group resulted in enhancement of signals at  $\delta$  2.97 and 3.05 (25%) and a multiplet of the H-1 cyclohexenyl proton ( $\delta$  1.80, 7%) in agreement with the postulated structure. The <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of a mixture of 22a/22b in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> showed a doublet ( $\delta$  8.01, J = 2 Hz) for NH proton. Upon irradiation it displayed NOE correlation with a methyl singlet ( $\delta$  1.75) attributed to a -CH<sub>3</sub> group connected to the C-2 (14%) and a multiplet of the H-1 cyclohexenyl proton ( $\delta$  2.94, 5%) with the methyl group (CH<sub>3</sub>CONH–) at  $\delta$  1.42 (25%). It is noteworthy that <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum in DMSO- $d_6$  showed, contrary to that in  $D_2O$ , two methyl singlets for an acetamide group and two separate AB systems for a -CH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H group (see Experimental) for each diastereomer. Additionally, molecular structures of acids 22a/22b and 23a/23b were assigned by high resolution mass spectrometry as C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>S and C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>S, respectively.



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Figure 2.



Selected NOE's for 22a/22b

## Figure 3.

In conclusion, we have described a simple synthetic method of an unknown amidosulfonic monoterpene acids **8–15**, **17**, **19a/b**, **20a/b**, **22a/b**, and **23a/b**. Considering the relative ease of hydrolysis of acetamides to amines, it may be also a route to the respective aminosulfonic acids. According to literature, sulfonated amides or amines, especially structural analogues of taurine, the known component of bile acid, exhibit various biological activities [19–27]. For example, potassium salt of *N*-acetyltaurine reveals neuromuscular action [19] and *N*-acetyl-2-(4-chlorophenyl)propanesulfonic acid is a powerful specific antagonist of GABA [20].

# **EXPERIMENTAL**

Melting points were measured on a Boetius apparatus and were uncorrected. <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C- NMR spectra were recorded in D<sub>2</sub>O or DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> solutions with a Varian Gemini 200 spectrometer. IR absorption spectra were taken with Perkin Elmer Spectrum RX spectrophotometer in hexachlorobutadiene. Optical rotations were measured with a POL S-2 polarimeter. (+)-Camphene (1), (1*S*)-(-)- $\beta$ -pinene (3), (1*S*)-(-)- $\alpha$ -pinene (4), (*R*)-(+)-limonene (5), (+)-2-carene (16), and (*S*)-(+)-carvone (21) were purchased from Aldrich.

Amidation-sulfonation of (+)-camphene (1), (+)-limonene (5), and (+)-carvone (21). General Procedure. 2cc of 25% oleum (40 mmol of SO<sub>3</sub>) was added dropwise at -30°C to 40 mmol (5.4 g of 1 and 5 or 6.0 g of 21) in acetonitrile or propionitrile (30 cc). The reaction mixture was allowed to attain room temperature and stirred for 24 h to observe gradual precipitation of a crystalline product. The resulted solids were filtered off and rinsed with EtgO to give: a) for alkene 1: (+/-)-exo-2-acetamido-10-bornanesulfonic acid (8): 5.1 g (46%). M.p. 256–258°C (dec.) (EtOH/EtOAc (2:1)). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O),δ: 0.72 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.80 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.08 (m, 1H), 1.32–1.92 (m, 6H), 1.84 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.70 (d, 1H, J = 14 Hz) and 3.19 (d, 1H, J = 14 Hz) for  $-CH_2SO_3H$ , 3.82 (dd, J = 9 Hz, J = 4.5 Hz H<sub>2-endo</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O),  $\delta$ : 20.40 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.52 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 22.60 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.54 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 33.71 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 40.30 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.17 (CH), 49.22 (C), 49.80 (C), 50.56 (C), 56.60 (CH), 173.94 (C), IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 655, 1170, 1209, 1563, 1651, 3224, Anal, Calcd, for C12H21NO4S: C, 52.33; H, 7.68. Found C, 52.25; H 7.82 or (+/-)-exo-2-propioamido-10-bornanesulfonic acid (9): 5.3 g (46%). M.p. 245-247°C (dec.) (EtOH). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O), δ: 0.72 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.80 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 0.92 (t, 3H, J = 8 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.05–1.85 (m, 7H), 2.09 (q, 2H, J = 16 Hz, J = 8 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>),  $2.70 (d, 1H, J = 14 Hz) and 3.17 (d, 1H, J = 14 Hz) for -CH_2SO_3H; 3.79 (dd, 1H, J = 10 Hz, J = 4Hz, H_{2.endo});$ <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O), δ: 10.67 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.39 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.50 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.51 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.78 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 33.64 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 40.41 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.15 (CH), 49.20 (C), 49.75 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 50.53 (C), 56.35 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 177.77 (C). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 655, 982, 1035, 1145, 1234, 1561, 1678, 3182. Anal. Calcd. for C13H23NO4S: C, 53.95; H 8.02. Found C, 54.10; H 8.08; b) for (+)-limonene (5): (2R/S)-2-[(S)-4-methyl-cyclohex-3-enyl]-2-propionyl-amino-propane-1sulfonic acids (**19a**/**b**): 6.0 g (55%); [*a*]<sup>2</sup><sub>D</sub> = 11.9 (c = 3.2, MeOH); M.p. 218–219°C (dec.), (MeOH/EtOAc (1:1)) (diastereomeric ratio *ca.* 1:1 (NMR)). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O),  $\delta$ : 1.20 and 1.22 (2s, 6H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.48 (b.s, 6H, 2 CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.55–2.00 (m, 12H), 1.78 and 1.82 (2s, 6H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>, 2 NHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.15 (m, 2H), 3.02 (d, 1H, J = 9 Hz) and 3.4 (d, 1H, J = 15 Hz) for  $-CH_2SO_3H$  of one diastereomer, 3.08 (d, 1H, J = 9 Hz) and 3.58 (d, 2H) and 3.58 (d, 1H, J = 15 Hz) for -CH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H of the second diastereomer, 5.30 (m, 2H, for both diastereomers); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O), δ: 19.85 (2CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.31 (2CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.45 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.64 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.85 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 24.77 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.11 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.88 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 31.44 (CH<sub>2</sub>) and 31.53 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 40.89 (CH) and 41.13 (CH), 54.97 (CH<sub>2</sub>) and 55.10 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 58.67 (C), 58.81 (C), 121.11 (CH), and 121.23 (CH), 136.55 (C) and 136.65 (C), 174.72 (C) and 174.92 (C) for two diastereomers **19a/b**. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1031, 1131, 1234, 1574, 1673, 3105, 3263. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>S: C 52.33; H 7.68. Found C, 52.41; H, 7.48 or (2*R/S*)-2-[(*S*)-4-methyl-cyclohex-3-enyl]-2-propionylamino-propane-1-sulfonic acids (20a/b): 5.1 g (44%). M.p. 198-199°C (MeOH/EtOH (1:1)).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22} = 17.4$  (c = 12.3, MeOH). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$ : 0.90 (t, 6H, J = 7 Hz, 2CH<sub>3</sub> for –NHCOCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.20 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>) and 1.22 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>) for two diastereomers, 1.44 (s, 6H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.50-2.30 (m, 14H), 2.04 (q, 2H, J = 16 Hz, J = 6 Hz) and 2.06 (q, 2H, J = 16 Hz, J = 6 Hz) for  $-NHCOCH_2CH_3$  of **20a** and **20b**, 2.98 (d, 2H) and 2H, J = 16 Hz, J = 6 Hz) for  $-NHCOCH_2CH_3$  of **20a** and **20b**, 2.98 (d, 2H) and 2H Hz = 10 Hz, J = 6 Hz) for  $-NHCOCH_2CH_3$  of **20a** and **20b**, 2.98 (d, 2H) and 2H Hz = 10 Hz, J = 6 Hz) for  $-NHCOCH_2CH_3$  of **20a** and **20b**, 2.98 (d, 2H) and 2H Hz = 10 Hz, J = 6 Hz) for  $-NHCOCH_2CH_3$  of **20a** and **20b**, 2.98 (d, 2H) and 2H Hz = 10 Hz = 1H, J = 9 Hz) and 3.43 (d, 1H, J = 13 Hz) for  $-CH_2SO_3H$  of one diastereomer, 3.05 (d, 1H, J = 9 Hz) and 3.56 (d, 1H, J = 13 Hz) for  $-CH_2SO_3H$  of the second diastereomer, 5.85 (bs, 2H, 2HC=C). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O), δ: 10.26 (2CH<sub>3</sub>), 19.58 (2CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.28 (2CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.72 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 24.68 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.02 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.76 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 30.60 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 30.69 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 31.34 (2 CH<sub>2</sub>), 40.86 (CH), 40.99 (CH), 55.08 (2 CH<sub>2</sub>), 58.11 (C), 58.20 (C), 121.10 (2 CH), 136.41 (C), 136.48 (C), 178.17 (C) and 178.30 (C); IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1080, 1142, 1250, 1570, 1668, 3280. Anal. Calcd. for C13H23NO4S: 53.95; H, 8.02. Found C, 53.90; H, 8.12; c) for (+)-carvone (21): (2*R/S*)-acetylamino-2-[(*S*)-4-methyl-5-oxo-cyclohex-3-enyl]-propane-1-sulfonic acids (22a/b): 5.1 g (44%). M.p. 215–216°C (EtOH);  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22} = -40.6$  (c = 3.2, EtOH); <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O),  $\delta$ : 1.26 (s, 6H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.55 (s, 6H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.80 (s, 6H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.05–2.38 (m, 8H), 1.80 (m, 2H, H-4 of both diastereomers), 2.97 (d, 1H, J = 4 Hz) and 3.05 (d, 1H, J = 4 Hz) for  $-CH_2SO_3H$  of one isomer and 3.56 (d, 2H, J = 14 Hz) for  $-CH_2SO_3H$  of both isomers, 6.85 (bs, 2H, HC=C). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) $\delta$ : 1.38 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>) and 1.42 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>) for two isomers, 1.62 (s, 6H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.75 (s, 6H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.10–2.35 (m, 8H), 2.55 (d, 1H, J = 4Hz) and 2.82 (d, 1H, J = 6Hz) for -CH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H of one diastereomer, 2.65 (d, 1H, J = 4Hz) and 2.90 (d, 1H, J = 6 Hz) for -CH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H of the second isomer, 2.98 (m, 2H, H-4 for both isomers), 6.82 (bs, 2H, HC=C for both isomers) and 8.01 (d, 2H, J = 2Hz, NH);  $^{13}$ C-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O),  $\delta$ : 14.50 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 14.52 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 19.12 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 19.30 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 22.73 (2CH<sub>3</sub>), 26.13 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.86 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.84 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 38.64 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 40.64 (CH), 40.80 (CH), 53.57 (2CH<sub>2</sub>), 56.28 (2C), 134.09 (C), 134.20 (C), 149.20 (CH), 149.38 (CH), 173.85 (2C), 204.10 (C), 204.58 (C), NOE (D<sub>2</sub>O), δ: 3.56→2.97 and 3.05 (25%), 3.56→1.80 (7%). NOE  $(DMSO-d_6)$ ,  $8.01 \rightarrow 1.75$  (14%),  $8.01 \rightarrow 2.98$  (5%) and  $8.01 \rightarrow 1.42$  (2.5%). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 992, 1120, 1270, 1558, 1640, 1652, 3268. ES MS (negative mode): 288.0, 228.9, 79.8. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>S: C, 48.43; H, 6.62. Found C, 48.53; H, 6.70 or (2R/S)-2-[(S)-4-methyl-5-oxo-cyclohex-3-enyl)-propane-1sulfonic acids (23a/b): 5.6 g (46%). M.p. 210–212°C (MeOH).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22} = -13.3$  (c = 3.0, EtOH). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR  $(DMSO-d_6) \delta: 0.95 (t, 6H, J = 7Hz, 2CH_2CH_3), 1.41 (s, 3H, CH_3) and 1.43 (s, 3H, CH_3) for two isomers,$ 1.63 (s, 6H, 2CH<sub>3</sub>) for both isomers, 2.01 (q, 4H, J = 16 Hz, J = 7 Hz, 2 CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.10–2.35 (m, 8H), 2.61 (d, 1H, J = 6 Hz) and 2.87 (d, 1H, J = 6 Hz) for  $-CH_2SO_3H$  of one isomer and 2.68 (d, 1H, J = 6 Hz) and 2.94 (d, 1H, J = 6 Hz) for the second isomer (-CH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H), 2.99 (m, 2H, H-4 of both isomers), 6.82 (bs, 2H, 2 HC=C), 8.05 (d, 2H, J = 4 Hz, 2 NH); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>), δ: 9.82 (2CH<sub>3</sub>), 15.12 (2CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.15 (2CH<sub>3</sub>), 26.86 (2CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.83 (2CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.03 (2CH<sub>2</sub>), 40.79 (CH), 41.01 (CH), 54.56 (C), 55.87 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.88 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 133.75 (C), 133.92 (C), 146.21 (2 CH), 172.60 (2C), 199.51 (C), and 199.46 (C). ES MS (negative mode): 302.0, 228.9, 79.8. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 981, 1108, 1262, 1563, 1644, 1652, 1666 and 3252. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>S; C, 51.46; H, 6.97. Found C, 51.62; H, 7.10.

Amidation-sulfonation of (-)- $\beta$ -pinene (3), (-)- $\alpha$ -pinene (4) and (+)-2-carene (16). General Procedure. 2cc of 25% oleum (40 mmol of SO<sub>3</sub>) was added dropwise at -30°C to 5.4 g (40 mmol) of the respective alkene in acetonitrile or propionitrile (30 cc). The reaction mixture was allowed to attain room temperature and stirred for 2 h to observe a formation of a gummy product. Then, the liquid was decanted and the residue was treated with 100 cc of Et<sub>2</sub>O to observe slow transformation into solid when stirred. The products obtained were filtered off, washed with Et<sub>2</sub>O and crystallized to obtain: a) for (-)- $\beta$ -pinene (3): (-)-[(4*S*)-1-acetylamino-1-methyl-ethyl)-cyclohex-1-enyl]-methanesulfonic acid (10): 6.9 g (63%). M.p. 210–212°C (dec.) (EtOH : Et<sub>2</sub>O, 1:1).[ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> =-69.9° (c = 2.3, MeOH). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>), $\delta$ : 1.05 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.08 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.15–2.12 (m, 7H), 1.77 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.14 (s, 2H, -CH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H), 5.46 (m, 1H,

HC=C), 7.40 (s, 1H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O), δ: 23.82 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 24.09 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 24.25 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 24.55 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.41 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 30.04 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 41.05 (CH), 57.34 (C), 59.79 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 129.97 (C), 130.29 (CH), 174.13 (C). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1072, 1223, 1562, 1663, 3170. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>S: C, 52.33; H, 7.68. Found C, 52,15; H, 7.75 or (-)-[(4S)-(1-methyl-1-propionyl-amino-ethyl)-cyclohex-1-enyl]-methanesulfonic acid (11): 5.2 g (45%). M.p. 193–194°C (EtOH).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22} = -37.5$  (c = 3.2, EtOH). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O),  $\delta$ : 0.90 (t, 3H, J = 8 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.08 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.10 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.20–2.20 (m, 7H), 2.02 (q, 2H, J = 14 Hz, J = 8 Hz, -CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.38 (s, 2H, -CH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H), 5.60 (m, 1H, HC=C); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O), δ: 10.80 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.85 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 24.20 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 24.52 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.36 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.98 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 30.89 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 57.11 (C), 59.73 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 129.97 (C), 130.22 (CH), 178.31 (C). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1040, 1170, 1556, 1650, 3290. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>S: C, 53.95; H, 8.02. Found C, 53.83; H, 7.95. b) for (-)-a-pinene (4): (1S,5R)-(-)-5-(1-acetylamino-1methyl-ethyl)-2-methylcyclohex-2-enesulfonic acid (14): 5.6 g (51%). M.p. 214-216°C (Et<sub>2</sub>O/EtOH (2:1).  $[\alpha]_D^{22} = -86.8^{\circ} (c = 5.0, H_2O)$ . <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O),  $\delta: 1.10 (s, 3H, CH_3), 1.15 (s, 3H, CH_3), 1.28 (m, 2H)$ , 1.75 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.78 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.85 (m, 1H), 2.15 (d, 1H, J = 12 Hz, CH), 2.40 (m, 1H), 3.35 (d, 1H, J = 4 Hz, CH), 5.62 (bs, 1H, HC=C); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O), δ: 23.66 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.92 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 24.10 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 24.14 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.05 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.51 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 57.05 (C), 62.68 (CH), 129.18 (C), 129.28 (CH), 174.15 (C). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>):  $1134, 1164, 1213, 1249, 1564, 1644, 3091, 3344. Anal. Calcd. for C_{12}H_{21}NO_4S; C, 52.33; H, 7.68. Found$ C, 52.48; H, 7.81 or (1S,5R)-(-)-2-methyl-5-(1-methyl-1-propionylamino-ethyl)-cyclohex-2-enesulfonic acid (15): 5.3 g (46%). M.p. 219–221 °C (Et<sub>2</sub>O/EtOH (2:1)).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22} = -44.0^{\circ}$  (c = 5.0, H<sub>2</sub>O). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O), δ: 0.93 (t, 3H, J = 8 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.08 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.17 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.45 (m, 1H), 1.72 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>),  $1.85 (m, 1H), 2.03 (q, 2H, J = 12 Hz, J = 6 Hz, -CH_2CH_3), 2.17 (d, 1H, J = 12 Hz), 2.40 (m, 1H), 3.45 (d, 2H), 2.17 (d, 2H),$ 1H, J = 5 Hz), 5.60 (bs, 1H, HC=C); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O), δ: 10.28 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.67 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.80 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.99 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 26.26 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.92 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 35.74 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 54.92 (C), 61.03 (CH), 124.96 (CH), 130.84 (C), 172.97 (C). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 635, 1019, 1151, 1176, 1555, 1640, 3185, 3334. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>S: C, 53.95; H, 8.02. Found C, 53.82; H, 8.10. c) for (+)-2-carene (16):(1R,4R)-(-)-(1-acetylamino-1-methyl-ethyl)-1-methyl-cyclohex-2-enesulfonic acid (17): 4.8 g (44%). M.p. 218–219°C.  $[\alpha]_{D}^{2} = 70.6^{\circ}$  (c = 3.0, MeOH). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>),  $\delta$ : 1.08 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.15 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.19 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.60 (m, 3H), 1.77 (s, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.94 (m, 1H), 2.80 (m, 1H), 5.55 (d, 1H, J = 10 Hz), 5.70 (dd, 1H, J = 10 Hz, J = 2 Hz), 7.44 (s, 1H, NH); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O), *δ*: 20.87 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 23.10 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.38 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.78 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 24.13 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 30.41 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.84 (CH), 57.68 (C), 60.34 (C), 129.82 (CH), 131.92 (CH), 174.64 (C). IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1021, 1150, 1226, 1557, 1651, 1672, 3026, 3156. Anal. Calcd. for C12H21NO4S: C, 52.33; H, 7.68. Found C, 52.50; H, 7.58.

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