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Total synthesis of the tricyclic skeleton of the natural Celastraceae sesquiterpenoids and related synthetic analogs

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Abstract—A concise and efficient synthesis of the C_{13} tricyclic core of the dihydro- β -agarofuran skeleton common to the natural Celastraceae sesquiterpenoids is described. The strategy entails a Mukaiyama aldol reaction of a tetrahydronaphthalene enol silane with acetone, epoxidation, ketone reduction, and acid-catalyzed cyclization. This key scaffold was converted into diverse polyhydroxylated derivatives, which were tested for insecticidal activity. © 2007 Elsevier Ltd. All rights reserved.

1. Introduction

The Celastraceae family is a rich source of sesquiterpenoids of remarkably diverse structures ranging from small alkaloids and oligopeptides to very complex macrocyclic arrays. In addition to their skeletal diversity and complexity, many such natural products show broad ranging bioactivities. Of particular note are their cytotoxic,¹ antitumor,² immunosupressive,³ and anti-HIV⁴ activities.

Several Celastraceae species have a long history of use in traditional Chinese agriculture to protect crops from insect attack and are commonly known as the bittersweet family.⁵ A number of secondary metabolites exhibit insect antifeedant activity, providing the possibility of their application as alternatives to existing synthetic insecticides.⁶ Since the discovery of wilforine,⁷ which is very potent against cabbage leaf worm, considerable efforts have been directed toward the discovery of other active compounds. However, although considerable numbers of antifeedant terpenoids have been isolated, few synthetic approaches toward these unique structures have been reported to date.⁸ All the Celastraceae sesquiterpenoids are based on the C15 tricyclic dihydro-β-agarofuran skeleton (Fig. 1). Their high bioactivity is attributed to the presence of polyhydroxy functionalities, partially or totally esterified. These features make these sesquiterpenoids challenging synthetic targets particularly with



Figure 1.

the need to devise concise, economically viable synthetic routes. Herein, we report a new and efficient synthetic route to the tricyclic core **6** of the dihydro- β -agarofuran skeleton and late oxygenation reactions to produce several classes of analogs. Considering their potential bioactivity, synthetic efforts were specifically focused on introducing different degrees of hydroxylation with varied stereochemistry, as well as with variable degrees of alcohol esterification.

2. Results and discussion

Our first goal was to develop a concise method for the preparation of the tricyclic compound **6**, which was chosen as a pivotal intermediate for further derivatization. The Mukaiyama reaction of enol silane 1^9 with acetone gave the silylated aldol product **2** (Scheme 1). Subsequent regioselective epoxidation of diene **2** by reaction with *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid (*mCPBA*) gave monoepoxide **3** (71%) as a separable 1:4 mixture of *syn*- and *anti*-diastereoisomer. Subsequent reduction of ketone **3** using sodium borohydride gave alcohol **4** (41%) as the sole stereoisomer. An X-ray structure of the alcohol **4** confirmed the relative *anti*-configuration between the epoxide group and silylated alcohol functionality. Deprotection using tetrabutylammonium

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Scheme 1.

fluoride gave diol **5** (86%). In contrast, desilylation using HF–pyridine gave a complex mixture containing the tricyclic diol **6** (38%) and fluoride **7** (42%). The relative configuration of the fluoride **7** was assigned by an X-ray crystallographic study. Attention at this point was directed toward the construction of the tetrahydrofuran ring system of diol **6**. The optimum cyclization via opening of epoxide **5** was catalyzed by trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) in ethanol at room temperature and this gave diol **6** in excellent yield (95%). The structure of the diol **6** was confirmed by an X-ray crystallographic structure determination of the derived 4-nitrobenzoate ester (Fig. 2).

With tricycle **6** in hand, we sought to functionalize the alkene entity to prepare more heavily oxygenated derivatives. González et al. have shown that the presence of a C-8 keto residue in dihydro- β -agarofuran derivatives tends to favor insecticidal activity.¹⁰ Thus, alcohol **6** was oxidized using the Dess–Martin reagent to provide ketone **8** (84%) (Scheme 2). Hydroxylation of alkene **8** using *N*-methylmorpholine-*N*oxide in the presence of a catalytic amount of osmium tetroxide gave the *syn*- β , β -diol **9** and α , α -diol **10** (72%, 1:1). In parallel, reaction of alkene **6** with *m*CPBA gave the epoxide **11** (84%), which was tentatively assigned as β by comparison with the phenylselenylation reaction in Scheme 7, vide infra. Subsequent reaction of epoxide **11** with sulfuric acid (1 M) gave the trans-diequatorial diol **12** (67%), which



Figure 2. The molecular structure of 4-nitrobenzoate ester from diol 6.

was presumably formed via a pseudo-boat conformation of the epoxide. The structural assignment of diol **12** was carried out following the assignment of stereochemistry of dienone **14** (vide infra).





Figure 3. The molecular structure of diacetate 13.

Acetylation of diol **10** in pyridine containing *p*-toluenesulfonic acid gave diester **13** (72%), the structure of which was confirmed by an X-ray crystallographic study. This also allowed for the unambiguous assignment of the relative configuration of both alcohols **9** and **10** (Fig. 3). In contrast, acetylation without pyridine as a solvent gave the dienone **14** (82%) (Scheme 3). Acetylation of diol **9** gave a mixture of di-15 and mono-ester 16. In contrast, esterification of triol 12 gave only the dienone 14 (58%). All attempted acetylations of the tertiary alcohol residue were unsuccessful presumably due to the steric hindrance at this position.

Ozonolysis of the tricyclic ketone **8** in dichloromethane with a dimethyl sulfide work-up gave the tetracyclic lactol **19**, which was presumably formed from dialdehyde **17** and lactol **18** (Scheme 4). The same product **19** was alternatively synthesized by the periodate cleavage of diols **9** and **10** (94%). Fortunately, the 4-nitrobenzoate ester **20** was crystalline and an X-ray structural analysis allowed for the structural assignment (Fig. 4). Ozonolysis of tricyclic alkene **6** in methanol and dichloromethane followed by sodium borohydride reduction gave tetraol **21** (46%).

We next sought to prepare isomers of pentaol **24** from the cyclohexadiene **23** as a pivotal building block (Scheme 5). Bromination of enone **8** gave an unstable intermediate possibly the dibromide **22** or the corresponding bromohydrin, which was unstable and directly dehydrohalogenated using N''-tert-butyl-N,N,N',N'-tetramethylguanidine in dichloromethane, DABCO in acetonitrile, or DBU in DMSO to provide dienone **25** (65, 26, 76%, respectively) (Scheme 6).



Scheme 3.



9 + 10 <u>H₅IO₆,</u> <u>THF</u> 19 (94%)





Figure 4. The molecular structure of 4-nitrobenzoate ester 20.



Scheme 5.



Scheme 6.

Alternatively, triol **9** was allowed to react with methanesulfonyl chloride and DMAP in dichloromethane and water¹¹ to give dienone **26** (62%), the structure of which was confirmed by an X-ray structural determination.

Reaction of phenylselenenyl chloride and silver trifluoroacetate with alkene **8** gave trifluoroacetate **27**, which was hydrolyzed to give selenide **28**.¹² Subsequent oxidation with hydrogen peroxide gave dienone **25** rather than the target alkenediol **29** (the configurational assignment of **27** and **28** was based on the structure of the product **25**) (Scheme 7).

Since, by this stage, we had prepared more dienones 25 and 26 than we originally planned, we chose to examine these substrates in further oxidation reactions. Epoxidation of 26 using *m*CPBA gave a readily separable mixture of

diastereoisomeric mono-epoxides **30** and **31** (4:1). The relative configurations of **30** and **31** were established on the basis of an X-ray crystallographic structural determination of **31**. Further epoxidation of alkene **30**, by reaction with hydrogen peroxide under basic conditions, gave the diepoxide **32** (50%). In parallel, epoxidation of ketal **33** (vide infra) under alkaline conditions gave the isomeric diepoxide **34**. The structure of isomer **34** was established by an X-ray crystallographic structural determination (Scheme 8).











Scheme 9.

Attempted ring opening reactions of epoxide **30** or **32** under acidic, Lewis acidic or basic conditions gave either intractable mixtures of products or only unreacted starting material. Reduction of ketone **14** and protection gave the silyl ether **36**, which was tentatively assigned as having the β -stereochemistry on the basis of expected steric approach control in the reduction step. Unfortunately, attempted dihydroxylation of **36** using osmium tetroxide¹³ gave only complex mixture of products (Scheme 9).

At this stage, we thought to explore the addition of C-1 and C-2 species followed by oxidation to generate additional terpenoid analogs for bioassays. Acetonide protection of diol 9 or 10 gave ketal 37 or 38. Subsequent dehydration using thionyl chloride in pyridine gave ketal 39 or 33, respectively (Scheme 10). Attempted Michael addition of nitromethane to 33 in the presence of DBU or triethylamine or tetrabutylammonium fluoride gave only the elimination product 25. Alternatively, attempted Michael addition of the cuprate derived from vinylmagnesium bromide to 33 gave unreacted starting material. Following ample precedent from the steroid literature, reaction of diethylaluminum cyanide with the Michael acceptor 33 or 39 gave nitrile 40 or 41 (88, 94%, respectively). The configuration at C-10 was tentatively assigned as presented below on the basis of literature precedent for this reagent and expected steric approach control of the addition (Scheme 11).¹⁴ trans-Ketalization of ketal 40 or 41 proceeded in only modest yields to provide adduct 42 or 43. Alternatively, ketone 40 or 41 was reduced using sodium borohydride to provide alcohol 44 or 45 (69, 65%, respectively), which were subsequently reduced to provide the



Scheme 10.

corresponding aldehydes. The optimum synthesis of aldehyde **46** or **47** utilized lithium aluminum hydride in THF at room temperature (58, 54%, respectively). Further reduction of **46** or **47** using lithium aluminum hydride or sodium borohydride gave alcohol **48** or **49**. In contrast, direct reduction of nitrile **40** or **41** to diol **48** or **49** was accompanied with significant lowering of the overall yields due to the formation of more side products. Subsequent selective mono-oxidation of diol **48** or **49** using trichloroisocyanuric acid¹⁵ gave the target ketone **50** or **51** (48, 52%, respectively) (Scheme 11). Again in this sequence, the stereochemistry of the secondary alcohol was assigned as β on the basis of expected steric approach control in the initial sodium borohydride reduction step.

Deprotection of acetonide **51** followed by in situ esterification of the resulting diol **52** gave diester **53** (31% over two steps) (Scheme 12).

Having aldehyde **46** in hand, a complementary route to synthesize multihydroxy sesquiterpenoids was examined. Wittig reaction of aldehyde **46** with methylenetriphenylphosphorane gave alkene **54** (66%). Oxidation of the secondary alcohol, followed by cleavage of the *iso*-propylidene protection group gave diol **56**, which was acetylated to provide diester **57**. Dihydroxylation of alkene **57** was inefficient, probably due to the rigidity of the skeleton and steric hindrance of the double bond, but gave diol **58** as a single diastereoisomer. Finally, exhaustive acetylation of diol **58** gave the corresponding tetra-ester **59** (75%) (Scheme 13).

Many advanced derivatives were tested for their insecticidal activities. Several compounds showed activity against a variety of insects, including silverleaf whiteflies (*Bemisia* *argentifolii*), orchid thrips (*Dichromothrips corbetti*), boll weevils (*Anthonomus grandis*), and several species of aphids and hoppers.

3. Conclusion

We developed a new efficient multigram synthesis of the key sesquiterpenoid analog **6**, which was converted into a range of polyoxygenated derivatives. Structures of selected intermediates were unambiguously established by X-ray crystallographic structural determinations. This initial broad insecticidal activity combined with the efficient chemical access described herein offers an attractive opportunity to further investigate the potential of the Celastraceae sesquiterpenoids class for the development of new and selective insecticides.

4. Experimental section

4.1. General procedures

Unless otherwise stated, reaction solvents were dried by distillation under N_2 from CaH₂ (CH₂Cl₂, PhMe, pyridine), Na–Ph₂CO (Et₂O, THF), K₂CO₃ (MeOH) or obtained commercially anhydrous (DMF, MeCN, Et₃N, *i*-Pr₂NEt, EtOH). Other solvents and all reagents were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without further purification unless otherwise stated. Reactions were performed in oven-dried glassware under N_2 unless otherwise stated. Chromatographed refers to flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluants are given in parenthesis). Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on pre-coated glass backed



Scheme 12.



silica plates and visualized with a UV lamp (215 or 254 nm), potassium permanganate, or vanillin stains.

4.2. 3-(2-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyloxy)-2-propyl)-1,2,3,4,5,8-hexahydro-2-naphthalen-one (2)

Me₂CO (1.8 mL, 24 mmol) followed by BF₃·OEt₂ (2.5 mL, 20 mmol) were added dropwise to triene **1** (5.52 g, 20 mmol) in anhydrous CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) at -75 °C. After 4 h, saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (25 mL) was added, the layers were separated, and the aqueous phase was extracted with Et₂O (2×80 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with H₂O (20 mL), dried (MgSO₄), and rotary evaporated. Chromatography (silica, hexane/Et₂O 19:1) gave silyl ether **2** (5.60 g, 87%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexane/Et₂O 9:1) 0.70; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.11 (s, 6H), 0.86 (s, 9H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.38 (s, 3H), 2.30–2.82 (m, 9H), 5.53–5.56 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –2.0, 18.1, 25.8, 26.2, 29.6, 30.7, 30.8, 32.4, 46.0, 59.1, 74.1, 123.1, 123.7, 124.2, 126.4, 210.3; MS (EI) *m*/*z* 320 (M⁺⁺); HRMS (EI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₉H₃₂O₂Si: 320.2171; found: 320.2172.

4.3. 4-(2-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyloxy)-2-propyl)-11-oxabicyclo[4.4.1]undecan-2-one (3)

*m*CPBA (0.56 g, 2.52 mmol) was added in one portion to diene **2** (0.62 g, 1.94 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (9.7 mL) at 0 °C. After 2 h, the mixture was diluted with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (20 mL), extracted with EtOAc (3×50 mL), dried (MgSO₄), and rotary evaporated. The crude product was chromatographed (silica, hexane/EtOAc 19:1) to give a mixture of diastereoisomeric epoxides **3** (*syn/anti* 1:4 by ¹H NMR) (0.53 g, 81%) as a colorless oil: R_f (pentane/Et₂O 4:1) 0.43. An aliquot of the isomer mixture was separated by chromatography (silica, hexane/CH₂Cl₂/EtOAc 7:3:5) to give analytically pure samples of each epoxide **3** isomer.

*syn-***3**: IR (film) 3442, 1713, 1669, 1471, 1381, 1363, 1254, 1036, 835, 773 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.11 (s, 6H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 1.28 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 3H), 2.22–76 (m, 9H), 5.45–5.55 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –2.0, 18.1, 24.5, 25.8, 29.6, 30.4, 31.2, 33.2, 47.8, 56.6, 60.9, 64.3, 74.2, 121.6, 122.5, 207.2; MS (CI) *m*/*z* 337 (M+H)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₉H₃₃O₃Si: 337.2198; found: 337.2197.

anti-**3**: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.09 (s, 3H), 0.13 (s, 3H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 2.22–2.64 (m, 7H), 2.68–2.88 (m, 2H), 5.42–5.58 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –2.1, 18.2, 25.9, 27.5, 29.8, 30.0, 30.3, 46.0, 56.0, 60.4, 60.5, 74.7, 121.7, 122.5, 207.8.

4.4. (3SR,6RS,11SR)-4-(2-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyloxy)-2-propyl)-11-oxabicyclo[4.4.1]undecan-2-ol (4)

NaBH₄ (2.2 g, 58.2 mmol) was added in one portion to epoxide **3** (*syn/anti* 1:4, 9.8 g, 29.1 mmol) in EtOH (100 mL) at 0 °C. After 45 min, saturated aqueous NH₄Cl and saturated aqueous NaCl were added and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried (MgSO₄) and rotary evaporated. Chromatography (silica, hexane/Et₂O 4:1 to 7:3) gave alcohol **4** (4.08 g, 41%) as a white solid: *R_f* (hexane/Et₂O 7:3) 0.25; mp 122–124 °C (EtOAc); IR (film) 3480, 1637, 1254, 835 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.17 (s, 6H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 1.32 (s, 6H), 1.36–1.43 (m, 1H), 1.77–1.88 (m, 1H), 1.94–2.10 (m, 2H), 2.13–2.23 (m, 1H), 2.25–2.36 (m, 2H), 2.40–2.65 (m, 2H), 3.70–3.82 (m, 1H), 5.10 (br s, 1H), 5.40–5.50 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ −1.9, −1.8, 18.0, 24.4, 25.8, 29.2, 30.9, 31.7, 31.8, 39.2, 47.3, 60.3, 61.4, 68.8, 78.7, 122.5, 122.3; MS (CI) *m/z* 339 (M+H)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₉H₃₅O₃Si: 339.2355; found: 339.2370.

4.5. (1*RS*,3*SR*,4*SR*,6*SR*)-4-(1-Hydroxy-1-methylethyl)-11-oxatricyclo[4.4.1.0^{1,6}]undec-8-en-3-ol (5)

Bu₄NF in THF (1 M, 19.3 mL, 19.2 mmol) was added with stirring to alcohol 4 (5.43 g, 16.0 mmol) in THF (45 mL) at room temperature. After 35 min, saturated aqueous NH₄Cl and saturated aqueous NaCl were added, and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic phase was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 3:2 to 1:1) to give diol 5 (3.09 g, 86%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 2:3) 0.20; IR (film) 3441, 1698, 1384, 1139, 1038 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.20 (s, 3H), 1.22 (s, 3H), 1.26–1.39 (m, 1H), 1.70–1.83 (m, 1H), 1.89–2.63 (m, 7H), 3.71–3.82 (m, 1H), 4.20 (br s, 1H), 4.93 (br, 1H), 5.32–5.48 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.3, 29.4, 30.7, 32.0, 32.2, 39.7, 45.6, 60.4, 61.5, 69.5, 74.4, 122.3, 122.3; MS (CI) m/z 242 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) m/z calcd for C₁₃H₂₄O₃N: 242.1756; found: 242.1760. Anal. Calcd for C13H20O3: C, 69.61; H, 8.99. Found: C, 69.56; H, 8.95.

4.6. (1*RS*,6*RS*,8*SR*,9*SR*)-10,10-Dimethyl-11-oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodec-3-ene-6,8-diol (6)

Epoxide 5 (3.09 g, 13.8 mmol) and TFA (0.20 mL, 2.7 mmol) in EtOH (140 mL) were stirred for 25 min at room temperature. The mixture was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and NaCl, and extracted with EtOAc. The organic phase was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, CH₂Cl₂/MeOH 97:3) to give alcohol 6 (2.94 g, 95%) as a light yellow oil: R_f (CH₂Cl₂/ MeOH 95:5) 0.22; IR (film) 3420, 1520, 1301, 1062, 890 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.26 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 3H), 1.71-1.84 (m, 2H), 1.99-2.16 (m, 4H), 2.28-2.38 (m, 1H), 2.45–2.73 (m, 4H), 4.02–4.13 (m, 1H), 5.51–5.71 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.4, 30.8, 31.5, 34.1, 36.7, 41.7, 49.7, 67.7, 71.8, 81.6, 82.3, 123.4, 125.0; MS (CI) m/z 242 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) m/z calcd for C13H24O3N: 242.1756; found: 242.1756. Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₂₀O₃: C, 69.61; H, 8.99. Found: C, 69.79; H, 8.92.

4.7. (*1RS*,6*RS*,8*SR*,9*SR*)-6-Hydroxy-10,10-dimethyl-11oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodec-3-en-8-yl 4-nitrobenzoate

p-Nitrobenzoyl chloride (39 mg, 0.214 mmol) was added to alcohol **6** (40 mg, 0.178 mmol) in anhydrous pyridine (0.36 mL) at room temperature. After 5.5 h, saturated aqueous NH₄Cl and NaCl were added, and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried (MgSO₄) and rotary evaporated. Chromatography (silica, hexanes/ EtOAc 3:2) gave the *p*-nitrobenzoate ester (51 mg, 77%) as a white solid: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 2:3) 0.67; mp 185– 187 °C (EtOAc); IR (film) 1717, 1526, 1281, 955 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.44 (s, 3H), 1.80–2.61 (m, 9H), 2.74–2.82 (m, 1H), 5.40–5.47 (m, 1H), 5.62–5.82 (m, 2H), 8.13–8.34 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.8, 30.5, 32.3, 34.1, 37.0, 39.1, 47.1, 71.1, 72.5, 81.6, 82.3, 123.5, 123.5, 125.4, 130.7, 136.0, 150.5, 164.0; MS (CI) *m/z* 356 (M+H–H₂O); HRMS (CI) *m/z* calcd for C₂₀H₂₂NO₅: 356.1498; found: 356.1486.

4.8. (2*SR*,3*SR*,4a*SR*,8a*SR*)-8a-Fluoro-3-(1-hydroxy-1-methylethyl)-1,3,4,5,8,8a-hexahydronaphthalene-2,4a(2*H*)-diol (7)

HF–pyridine (0.56 mL, 21.5 mmol) was added to epoxide **4** (182 mg, 0.537 mmol) in dry THF (5.4 mL) at 0 °C. After 2 days at room temperature, saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and brine were added, and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, CH₂Cl₂/MeOH 97:3) to give alcohol **6** (46 mg, 38%) and fluoride **7** (55 mg, 42%), respectively, as a colorless oil and a white crystalline solid. Data for **7**: R_f (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH 95:5) 0.36; mp 111–115 °C (EtOAc); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 1.22 (s, 3H), 1.23 (s, 3H), 1.23–1.47 (m, 1H), 1.53–2.50 (m, 8H), 3.87–4.15 (m, 1H), 5.20–5.75 (m, 2H); MS (CI) *m*/z 244 (M+H)⁺.

4.9. (1*RS*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Hydroxy-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodec-3-en-8-one (8)

Pyridine (2.4 mL, 29.80 mmol) and Dess-Martin periodinane (6.32 g, 14.90 mmol) were added to alcohol 6 (1.67 g, 7.44 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (37 mL). After 1.5 h, saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and Na₂S₂O₃ (5:1) were added, and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 7:3) to give ketone 8 (1.39 g, 84%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 40:60) 0.44; IR (film) 3416, 1709, 1672, 1457, 1384, 1265, 1202, 738 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.26 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.82-2.02 (m, 1H), 2.08-2.36 (m, 3H), 2.40-2.75 (m, 6H), 5.60-5.95 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) & 25.1, 29.3, 33.7, 34.8, 37.1, 50.5, 60.4, 71.9, 81.8, 82.5, 123.8, 125.6, 208.9; MS (CI) m/z 240 $(M+NH_4)^+$; HRMS (CI) m/z calcd for $C_{13}H_{22}O_3N$: 240.1599; found: 240.1593.

4.10. (1*SR*,3*RS*,4*SR*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-3,4,6-Trihydroxy-10,10dimethyl-11-oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (9) and (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-3,4,6-trihydroxy-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (10)

N-Methylmorpholine-*N*-oxide (163 mg, 1.390 mmol) and OsO_4 in 'BuOH (2.5 wt %, 0.58 mL, 5 mol %) were added with stirring to ketone **8** (206 mg, 0.927 mmol) in Me₂CO and H₂O (4:1, 13.2 mL) at room temperature. After 13 h, the mixture was diluted with saturated aqueous Na₂SO₄ and stirred for a further 45 min. The suspension was extracted with EtOAc and the extract was dried (MgSO₄) and rotary evaporated. Chromatography (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 1:9) gave diols **9** (86 mg, 36%) and **10** (86 mg, 36%) both as colorless oils.

Data for **9**: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:9) 0.17; IR (film) 3425, 1711, 1670, 1296, 1140, 1032, 892, 734 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 1.20 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 3H), 1.62–1.78 (m, 1H), 1.82–2.03 (m, 2H), 2.12–2.28 (m, 2H), 2.28–2.50 (m, 2H), 2.50–2.68 (m, 2H), 3.80–4.08 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 23.2, 28.2, 34.7, 34.8, 36.7, 50.8, 60.3, 68.3, 69.8, 74.3, 81.8, 85.1, 210.1; MS (CI) *m*/*z* 274 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₃H₂₄O₅N: 274.1654; found: 274.1644.

Data for **10**: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:9) 0.07; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 1.28 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.62–1.77 (m, 1H), 1.79–1.93 (m, 1H), 1.97–2.12 (m, 1H), 2.16–2.43 (m, 3H), 2.46–2.67 (m, 3H), 3.70–3.94 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 23.2, 28.0, 34.6, 35.9, 37.0, 51.7, 59.5, 67.3, 70.1, 74.5, 83.3, 84.0, 209.3; MS (CI) *m*/*z* 274 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₃H₂₄O₅N: 274.1654; found: 274.1646.

4.11. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-3,4-Epoxy-6-hydroxy-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (11)

*m*CPBA (133 mg, 0.594 mmol) was added with stirring to alcohol **6** (110 mg, 0.495 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (1.2 mL) at room temperature. After 13 h, saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ was added and the resultant mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 3:2) to give epoxide **11** (99 mg, 84%) as an oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 2:3) 0.35; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.20 (s, 3H), 1.28 (s, 3H), 2.05–2.60 (m, 9H), 3.30–3.45 (m, 2H), 3.58–3.75 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.9, 29.1, 32.5, 33.0, 34.9, 50.8, 51.4, 54.3, 60.2, 72.8, 81.1, 82.7, 208.1; MS (CI) *m*/*z* 256 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₃H₂₂NO₄: 256.1549; found: 256.1545. Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₁₈O₄: C, 65.53; H, 7.61. Found: C, 65.43; H, 7.71.

4.12. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*SR*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-3,4,6-Trihydroxy-10,10dimethyl-11-oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (12)

Epoxide **11** (114 mg, 0.478 mmol) and H₂SO₄ (1 M, 0.6 mL) in THF (9.6 mL) were stirred at room temperature for 17 h. Saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ was added, the suspension was extracted with EtOAc, dried (MgSO₄), and rotary evaporated. Chromatography (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 2:3) gave diol **12** (82 mg, 67%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:9) 0.32; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 1.25 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.60–1.82 (m, 2H), 2.12–2.31 (m, 2H), 2.31–2.68 (m, 5H), 3.73–4.00 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 23.3, 28.0, 32.0, 32.9, 35.2, 51.2, 59.6, 69.9, 70.0, 74.5, 83.3, 84.9, 209.4; MS (CI) *m/z* 274 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₃H₂₄O₅N: 274.1654; found: 274.1652.

4.13. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-3-(Acetoxy)-6-hydroxy-10,10-dimethyl-8-oxo-11-oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodec-4-yl acetate (13)

Ac₂O (0.078 mL, 0.84 mmol) and *p*-TsOH (106.5 mg, 0.56 mmol) were added in one portion to diol **10** (71 mg, 0.28 mmol) in pyridine (2 mL) at room temperature. After 4 h at 50 °C, the mixture was cooled to room temperature,

diluted with H₂O (2 mL), and basified to pH 9 with saturated aqueous NH₃. The aqueous phase was extracted with CHCl₃ (3×15 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 4:1 to 7:3) to give diester **13** (68.8 mg, 72%) as a white solid: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 7:3) 0.31; mp 125–130 °C (EtOAc); IR (film) 3453, 1740, 1714, 1368, 1242, 1038 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.20 (s, 3H), 1.26 (s, 3H), 1.77 (m, 1H), 1.99 (m, 3H), 2.11 (m, 3H), 2.21 (m, 2H), 2.67 (m, 6H), 3.13 (br s, 1H), 5.26 (m, 1H), 5.50 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 20.9, 21.1, 24.3, 29.1, 32.4, 34.9, 35.9, 51.0, 60.4, 69.2, 73.6, 82.4, 84.3, 168.9, 170.1, 208.4; MS (CI) m/z 358 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) m/z calcd for C₁₇H₂₈NO₇: 358.1866; found: 358.1869.

4.14. (1*SR*,3*SR*,9*RS*)-10,10-Dimethyl-8-oxo-11-oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodeca-4,6-dien-3-yl acetate (14)

Method A: diol 10 (51 mg, 0.19 mmol), p-TsOH (76 mg, 0.39 mmol), and Ac₂O (2 mL) were heated at 50 °C for 4.5 h. The mixture was basified to pH 9 with saturated aqueous NH₃ and the resultant suspension was extracted with CHCl₃. After rotary evaporation, the crude product was chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 4:1) to give dienone 14 (41 mg, 82%) as a yellow oil. Method B: diol 12 (28 mg, 0.11 mmol), Ac₂O (26 µL, 0.28 mmol), and DMAP (2 mg) in dry pyridine (0.7 mL) were stirred at room temperature for 13 h. Saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and NH₄Cl were added, and the suspension was extracted with EtOAc, dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 4:1) to give dienone 14 (17 mg, 58%) as an oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 7:3) 0.31; IR (film) 3430, 1738, 1673, 1370, 1240, 1025 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.16 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 3H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.23 (m, 4H), 2.85 (s, 1H), 5.75 (m, 2H), 6.23 (s, 1H), 6.24 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 21.1, 25.7, 29.9, 37.4, 42.7, 60.1, 68.0, 78.1, 81.8, 123.7, 126.5, 138.7, 155.3, 170.3, 201.1; MS (EI) m/z 262 (M[•]); MS (CI) m/z 263 (M+H)⁺, 280 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) m/z calcd for C₁₅H₁₉O₄: 263.1283; found: 263.1288.

4.15. (1*SR*,3*RS*,4*SR*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-3-(Acetoxy)-6-hydroxy-10,10-dimethyl-8-oxo-11-oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodec-4-yl acetate (15)

Diol 9 (107 mg, 0.40 mmol), Ac₂O (98 µL, 1.0 mmol), and DMAP (2 mg) in dry pyridine (2 mL) were stirred at room temperature for 13 h, the mixture was diluted with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl and extracted with EtOAc. The organic phase was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 4:1 to 7:3) to give diester 15 (39 mg, 27%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.68; IR (film) 3437, 1710, 1650, 1369, 1241, 1038 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.22 (s, 3H), 1.26 (s, 3H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 2.13 (s, 3H), 2.16 (m, 1H), 2.57 (m, 8H), 5.07 (m, 1H), 5.14 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 20.9, 21.2, 24.5, 29.3, 33.6, 35.0, 35.3, 52.4, 59.9, 68.6, 69.5, 75.8, 81.4, 82.1, 170.7, 171.1, 208.7; MS (CI) m/z 341 (M+H)⁺, 358 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₇H₂₈NO₇: 358.1866; found: 358.1870. Further elution during chromatography gave the diol 16 (30 mg, 24%) as a colorless oil; R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.42; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 1.95 (m, 2H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 2.50 (m, 7H), 2.99 (br s, 1H), 4.09 (m, 1H), 4.97 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.4, 24.4, 29.1, 34.4, 35.2, 36.3, 52.3, 59.4, 67.9, 71.3, 75.3, 83.9, 171.2, 207.7; MS (CI) *m*/*z* 299 (M+H)⁺, 316 (M+NH₄)⁺.

4.16. (*3RS*,9*RS*,9*aSR*)-7-Hydroxy-2,2-dimethyl-5a,9epoxy-3,9a-methano-decahydro-5*H*-heptalen-4-one (19)

Method A: ozone was bubbled through ketone 8 (88 mg. 0.39 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) at -75 °C until the blue color persisted (30 min) when the excess of ozone was removed by bubbling oxygen at -75 °C. The reaction was quenched with Me₂S (1 mL) at -75 °C and allowed to warm to room temperature. After 13 h, the mixture was rotary evaporated and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/ EtOAc 1:1) to give lactol 19 (46 mg, 46%) as a colorless oil containing both diastereoisomers (4:1 by ¹H NMR). Method B: periodic acid (10 mg, 0.05 mmol) in dry THF (1 mL) was added to diols 9 and 10 (11.8 mg, 0.045 mmol) in dry THF (1 mL) at 0 °C. After 80 min, the mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and diluted with brine. The suspension was extracted with EtOAc and the extract was dried (MgSO₄) and rotary evaporated to give lactol **19** (10.8 mg, 94%) as a colorless oil containing both diastereoisomers (4:1 by ¹H NMR): R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 7:3) 0.27; IR (film) 3407, 1715, 1665, 1278, 1119, 968 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) (data for the major diastereoisomer) δ 1.19 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.60 (m, 1H), 2.37 (m, 6H), 2.63 (m, 2H), 3.45 (br s, 1H), 5.45 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 26.4, 30.0, 36.7, 39.8, 42.8, 47.3, 58.4, 79.7, 83.2, 84.9, 89.2, 98.9, 208.8; MS (CI) m/z 254 $(M+H)^+$, 272 $(M+NH_4)^+$; HRMS (CI) m/z calcd for C13H22NO5: 272.1498; found: 272.1508.

4.17. (*3RS*,7*RS*,9*RS*,9*aSR*)-2,2-Dimethyl-5a,9-epoxy-3,9a-methano-7-(4-nitrobenzoyloxy)-decahydro-5*H*heptalen-4-one (20)

p-Nitrobenzoyl chloride (33 mg, 0.18 mL) was added to lactol **19** (38 mg, 0.15 mmol) in dry pyridine (0.36 mL). After 5.5 h, saturated aqueous NH₄Cl and brine were added, and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic phase was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 7:3) to give ester **20** (37 mg, 61%) as a white solid: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.58; mp 188–190 °C (EtOAc); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.22 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 3H), 2.02 (m, 1H), 2.64 (m, 8H), 5.53 (d, J=6 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (m, 1H), 8.26 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 26.4, 30.0, 36.7, 38.9, 39.8, 47.2, 58.3, 80.0, 83.4, 86.3, 89.2, 99.7, 123.6, 131.1, 134.7, 150.8, 163.0, 208.1.

4.18. (*1S*,*2R*,*4S*,*5SR*)-6,6-Dimethyl-1,2-di-(2-hydroxyethyl)-7-oxabicyclo[3.2.1]octane-2,4-diol (21)

Ozone was bubbled through alcohol **6** (257 mg 1.15 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ and MeOH (3:1, 4 mL) at -75 °C with stirring until the blue color persisted (30 min). The excess of ozone was removed by bubbling O₂ through the solution at -75 °C. After replacement of O₂ with an atmosphere of N₂, NaBH₄ (117 mg, 3.09 mmol) was added. After 3 h at -75 °C, the

mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature, quenched with H₂O, and saturated aqueous NH₄Cl and extracted with EtOAc. The separated organic phase was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, CH₂Cl₂/MeOH 95:5 to 9:1) to give tetraol **21** (138 mg, 46%) as a colorless oil: R_f (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH 95:5) 0.19; IR (film) 3336, 1658, 1464, 1429, 1385, 1140, 1077, 1018, 943, 884 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 1.27 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 3H), 1.76 (m, 4H), 1.90 (m, 1H), 2.16 (m, 3H), 2.80 (d, *J*=12 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (m, 4H), 4.08 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 22.1, 28.4, 3.39, 36.3, 38.6, 38.9, 50.2, 57.7, 58.2, 66.7, 75.5, 81.8, 87.1; MS (CI) *m/z* 261 (M+H)⁺, 278 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₃H₂₈NO₅: 278.1967; found: 278.1972. Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₂₄O₅: C, 59.98; H, 9.29. Found: C, 59.83; H, 9.19.

4.19. (1*SR*,3*SR*,9*RS*)-3-Hydroxy-10,10-dimethyl-11oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodeca-4,6-dien-8-one (25)

Method A: ketone 8 (40 mg, 0.18 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and Br₂ (10 µL, 0.20 mmol) was added dropwise. The reaction was quenched, after 5 min, with saturated aqueous Na₂S₂O₃, extracted with CH₂Cl₂, and the organic extract was dried (MgSO₄). Rotary evaporation gave an adduct, possibly the dibromide 22, which was used directly in the next step due to its instability. N''-tert-Butyl-*N*,*N*,*N*',*N*'-tetramethylguanidine (46 µL, 0.39 mmol) was added dropwise to dibromide 22 (67.8 mg, 0.18 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL). After 4 h at room temperature, the mixture was diluted with H₂O, extracted with CH₂Cl₂, dried (MgSO₄), and rotary evaporated. Chromatography (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) gave dienone 25 (25.5 mg, 65%) as a vellow oil. Method B: dibromide 22 (34 mg, 0.09 mmol) and DABCO (15 mg, 0.13 mmol) in MeCN (1.5 mL) were heated at reflux for 3 h when H₂O (5 mL) was added. Extraction with CH₂Cl₂, drying (MgSO₄), rotary evaporation, and chromatography (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) gave dienone 25 (5 mg, 26%). Method C: DBU (67 µL, 0.45 mmol) was added to dibromide 22 (86 mg, 0.20 mmol) in DMSO (0.5 mL) at 5-10 °C. After 2.5 h at room temperature, Et₂O was added and the mixture was washed with H₂O, dried (MgSO₄), and rotary evaporated. Chromatography (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) gave dienone 25 (33.5 mg, 76%). Method D: H₂O₂ (0.22 mL) was added to selenide 28 (85.5 mg, 0.22 mmol) in THF (1 mL) at 0 °C. After 50 min at room temperature, the mixture was quenched with EtOAc, washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃, H₂O, and brine, dried (MgSO₄), and rotary evaporated. Chromatography (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) gave dienone 25 (20 mg, 41%). Method E: p-TsOH·H₂O (3 mg) and 2,2-dimethoxypropane (2.82 mL, 2.3 mmol) were added to diol 10 (58 mg, 0.23 mmol) in THF (2 mL) at room temperature. After 13 h, H₂O was added, the mixture was extracted with EtOAc, and the separated organic phase was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) to give dienone 25 (40 mg, 79%). Method F: MeNO₂ (10 µL, 0.18 mmol) and DBU (5 µL, 0.05 mmol) were added with stirring to enone 33 (13 mg, 0.05 mmol) in MeCN. After 13 h at 40 °C, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, diluted with H₂O, acidified with 1 M HCl, and extracted with Et_2O . The organic extract was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) to give dienone 25 (6 mg, 64%): R_f (hexanes/EtOAc

1:1) 0.34; IR (film) 3386, 1670, 1368, 1050, 890; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.17 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 3H), 1.91 (m, 1H), 2.26 (m, 3H), 2.87 (s, 1H), 4.73 (m, 1H), 5.74 (s, 1H), 6.18 (m, 1H), 6.35 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 25.8, 29.6, 41.3, 42.9, 60.1, 65.2, 78.7, 81.7, 123.3, 125.3, 143.4, 155.9, 201.5; MS (CI) *m*/*z* 221 (M+H)⁺, 238 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₃H₁₇O₃: 221.1178; found: 221.1181.

4.20. (1*SR*,3*RS*,9*RS*)-3-Hydroxy-10,10-dimethyl-11oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodeca-4,6-dien-8-one (26)

Diol **9** (162 mg, 0.63 mmol), MsCl (220 mg, 1.92 mmol), DMAP (117 mg, 0.96 mmol) in H₂O (14 mg, 0.77 mmol), and CH₂Cl₂ (2.5 mL) were stirred at room temperature for 13 h. The mixture was diluted with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃, extracted with CH₂Cl₂, washed with brine, dried, (MgSO₄), and rotary evaporated. Chromatography (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) gave dienone **26** (86 mg, 62%) as a white solid: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.53; mp 118– 120 °C (EtOAc); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.17 (s, 3H), 1.38 (s, 3H), 2.26 (m, 4H), 2.89 (s, 1H), 4.32 (m, 1H), 5.78 (s, 1H), 6.30 (m, 1H), 6.50 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.6, 30.1, 37.7, 43.2, 60.3, 62.8, 78.9, 83.8, 123.9, 126.7, 138.5, 155.6, 200.8; MS (CI) *m*/*z* 221 (M+H)⁺, 238 (M+NH₄)⁺.

4.21. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*SR*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Hydroxy-4-phenylselenenyl-3-trifluoroacetoxy-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (27)

PhSeCl (172 mg, 0.89 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) was added to CF₃CO₂Ag (198 mg, 0.89 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (4 mL) (Ar) giving an orange solution with a precipitate of AgCl. Ketone **8** (200 mg, 0.89 mmol) was added and, after 3 h, the mixture was filtered through Celite and the filtrate was rotary evaporated. Chromatography (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 7:3) gave trifluoroacetate **27** (277 mg, 63%) as a yellow oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.79; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.20 (s, 3H), 1.27 (s, 3H), 2.26 (m, 9H), 3.48 (m, 1H), 5.37 (m, 1H), 7.31 (m, 3H), 7.56 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.3, 29.2, 35.3, 37.6, 40.6, 42.1, 51.7, 60.1, 74.6, 76.7, 82.8, 83.4, 115.1, 127.4, 128.2, 129.2, 135.3, 160.5, 208.3; MS (CI) *m/z* 510 (M+NH₄)⁺. The crude product was used directly in the next step without further purification.

4.22. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*SR*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-3,6-Dihydroxy-4-phenyl-selenenyl-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]do-decan-8-one (28)

NaHCO₃ (25 mg) in H₂O (1.5 mL) was added to trifluoroacetate **27** (277 mg, 0.56 mmol) in MeOH (4 mL). After 50 min at room temperature, H₂O (5 mL) was added and the mixture was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The organic phase was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 7:3) to give selenide **28** (195 mg, 88%) as a yellow oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 7:3) 0.39; IR (film) 3422, 1705, 1255, 1026, 896, 738 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.17 (s, 3H), 1.25 (s, 3H), 2.25 (m, 9H), 3.26 (m, 1H), 3.83 (m, 1H), 7.29 (m, 3H), 7.59 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.3, 29.2, 35.5, 39.5, 42.1, 48.1, 51.9, 60.3, 69.9, 75.2, 82.3, 84.0, 127.4,

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128.1, 129.3, 135.2, 209.2; MS (CI) m/z 414 (M+NH₄)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₄O₄Se: C, 57.72; H, 6.12. Found: C, 57.84; H, 6.00.

4.23. (1*SR*,3*RS*,4*RS*,5*SR*,9*RS*)-4,5-Epoxy-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodeca-6-en-8one (30)

*m*CPBA (83 mg, 0.37 mmol) was added to dienone **26** (62.7 mg, 0.28 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) at 0 °C. After 13 h at room temperature, the mixture was diluted with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The organic extracts were washed with brine, dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/ EtOAc 7:3) to give epoxide **30** (47 mg, 71%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.72; IR (film) 3493, 1679, 1073, 877 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.14 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 3H), 1.90 (m, 1H), 2.15 (m, 3H), 2.91 (s, 1H), 3.56 (m, 1H), 3.63 (m, 1H), 4.40 (s, 1H), 6.18 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 25.6, 29.8, 32.7, 43.5, 51.4, 55.2, 60.4, 64.9, 78.6, 82.9, 130.9, 158.1, 199.4; MS (CI) *m*/*z* 237 (M+H)⁺, 254 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₃H₂₀NO₄: 254.1392; found: 254.1396.

4.24. (1*SR*,3*RS*,4*SR*,5*RS*,9*RS*)-4,5-Epoxy-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodeca-6-en-8one (31)

Epoxide **31** (13 mg, 19%) was isolated as the minor diastereoisomer from the epoxidation of dienone **26** as a white solid: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.31; IR (film) 3417, 1676, 1034 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.22 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 3H), 2.16 (m, 4H), 2.94 (m, 1H), 3.65 (m, 1H), 3.75 (m, 1H), 4.13 (m, 1H), 6.10 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 25.8, 29.9, 36.9, 46.6, 54.4, 59.0, 61.6, 65.5, 79.1, 80.5, 129.0, 160.9, 200.0; MS (CI) *m/z* 237 (M+H)⁺, 254 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₃H₂₀NO₄: 254.1392; found: 254.1392.

4.25. (1*SR*,3*RS*,4*RS*,5*SR*,6*RS*,7*SR*,9*RS*)-4,5,6,7-Diepoxy-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxapentacyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (32)

NaOH in H₂O (6 M, 0.6 mL) was added to epoxide **30** (28 mg, 0.10 mmol) in MeOH (0.6 mL), the mixture was cooled to 0 °C, and H₂O₂ (35%, 0.3 mL) was added with caution. Stirring was continued for 3 h and the mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃, extracted with EtOAc, and the organic extract was dried (MgSO₄) and rotary evaporated to give diepoxide **32** (15 mg, 50%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.81; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.25 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 1.93 (m, 2H), 2.23 (m, 1H), 2.42 (m, 1H), 2.62 (m, 1H), 3.05 (m, 1H), 3.41 (m, 1H), 3.59 (m, 1H), 3.89 (m, 1H); MS (CI) m/z calcd for C₁₃H₁₇O₅: 253.1076; found: 253.1078.

4.26. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,5*SR*,6*RS*,7*SR*,9*RS*)-4,5,6,7-Diepoxy-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxapentacyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (34)

NaOH in H_2O (6 M, 0.6 mL) was added to enone **33** (57 mg, 0.20 mmol) in MeOH (0.6 mL). The mixture was cooled to

0 °C and H₂O₂ (35%, 0.3 mL) was added dropwise (Ar). After stirring for 3 h, the reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic phase was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) to give diepoxide 34 (33 mg, 65%) as a white solid: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.75; mp 150-155 °C (EtOAc); IR (film) 3421, 1720, 1264, 1091, 1023 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.17 (s, 3H), 1.26 (s, 3H), 1.83 (dd, J_1 =4.4 Hz, $J_2 = 12.8$ Hz, 1H), 1.98 (m, 2H), 2.21 (br s, 1H), 2.36 (m, 1H), 2.61 (m, 1H), 3.13 (d, J=4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (m, 1H), 3.65 (m, 1H), 4.49 (t, J=7.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 26.8, 29.9, 32.1, 36.1, 53.8, 57.1, 58.1, 58.9, 59.8, 65.6, 81.4, 81.8, 201.7; MS (CI) m/z 270 $(M+NH_4)^+$; HRMS (CI) m/z calcd for $C_{13}H_{20}NO_5$: 270.1341; found: 270.1347.

4.27. (1*SR*,3*SR*,8*RS*,9*SR*)-8-Hydroxy-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodeca-4,6-dien-3-yl acetate (35)

NaBH₄ (22 mg, 0.60 mmol) was added in one portion to ketone **14** (77 mg, 0.30 mmol) in EtOH (1.5 mL) at 0 °C. After 1.5 h, the reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl and brine, and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic phase was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 7:3) to give alcohol **35** (39.5 mg, 52%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.58; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.25 (s, 3H), 1.44 (s, 3H), 1.83 (m, 2H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 2.18 (m, 2H), 2.35 (s, 1H), 4.77 (s, 1H), 5.51 (s, 1H), 5.56 (m, 1H), 5.99 (d_{AB}, *J*=9.9 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.3, 26.9, 32.1, 37.8, 41.9, 50.1, 68.7, 74.3, 76.9, 83.9, 126.9, 127.2, 129.8, 138.1, 170.5; MS (CI) *m/z* 265 (M+H)⁺, 282 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₅H₂₄NO₄: 282.1705; found: 282.1708.

4.28. (1*SR*,3*SR*,8*RS*,9*SR*)-8-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyloxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodeca-4,6-dien-3-yl acetate (36)

Imidazole (26.5 mg, 0.39 mmol) and ^{*I*}BuMe₂SiCl (56.3 mg, 0.37 mmol) were added to alcohol **35** (39.5 mg, 0.15 mmol) in dry DMF (1.5 mL) at room temperature. After 13 h, H₂O (10 mL) was added and the suspension was extracted with EtOAc. The organic phase was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 4:1) to give silyl ether **36** (20 mg, 35%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.93; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.09 (d, *J*=2.7 Hz, 6H), 0.91 (s, 9H), 1.23 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 3H), 1.74 (m, 2H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 2.19 (m, 2H), 4.72 (s, 1H), 5.39 (s, 1H), 5.59 (m, 1H), 5.87 (d_{AB}, *J*=8.7 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -4.82, -4.66, 17.98, 21.26, 25.78, 27.22, 32.27, 37.88, 41.92, 50.89, 68.84, 74.20, 76.74, 84.22, 127.44, 128.30, 129.13, 137.11, 170.34.

4.29. (1*SR*,3*RS*,4*SR*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Hydroxy-3,4-(2,2-propylidenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetra-cyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (37)

Diol 9 (200 mg, 0.78 mmol) and I_2 (20 mg, 0.078 mmol) in Me₂CO (10 mL) were stirred for 13 h. Saturated aqueous

Na₂S₂O₃ was added and the mixture was extracted with Et₂O, washed with H₂O, dried (MgSO₄), and rotary evaporated. Chromatography (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) gave ketal **37** (163 mg, 71%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.69; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.21 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 3H), 2.25 (m, 5H), 2.53 (m, 4H), 4.25 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.4, 26.3, 28.7, 29.5, 33.3, 35.7, 37.2, 52.3, 60.2, 72.1, 72.5, 75.9, 82.7, 84.2, 108.2, 210.0; MS (CI) *m/z* 296 (M+H)⁺, 314 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₂₈NO₅: 314.1967; found: 314.1969.

4.30. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Hydroxy-3,4-(2,2propylidenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (38)

Following the procedure for the preparation of **37**, protection of diol **10** (200 mg, 0.78 mmol) gave ketal **38** (150 mg, 65%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.73; IR (film) 3386, 1711, 1462, 1382, 1053, 1019 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.19 (s, 3H), 1.25 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.50 (s, 3H), 2.21 (m, 9H), 4.35 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.7, 26.3, 28.8, 29.3, 33.7, 35.4, 35.6, 50.9, 59.9, 72.5, 72.7, 73.6, 82.7, 84.3, 108.7, 208.8; MS (CI) m/z 314 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) m/z calcd for C₁₆H₂₈NO₅: 314.1967; found: 314.1969. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₄O₅: C, 64.84; H, 8.16. Found: C, 64.96; H, 8.05.

4.31. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-3,4-(2,2-Propylidenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodeca-6-en-8-one (33)

SOCl₂ (0.14 mL, 1.9 mmol) was added dropwise to ketal 38 (114 mg, 0.38 mmol) in dry pyridine (4 mL). After 2 h at room temperature, saturated aqueous NaHCO3 was added and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic extract was washed with brine, dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 7:3) to give ketal 33 (63 mg, 60%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/ EtOAc 1:1) 0.65; IR (film) 3408, 1677, 1367, 1252, 1045, 885 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.17 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 3H), 1.36 (s, 3H), 2.18 (m, 3H), 2.50 (m, 3H), 2.90 (m, 1H), 4.53 (m, 2H), 5.83 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.9, 25.8, 26.1, 29.9, 33.6, 34.6, 45.8, 62.0, 71.3, 72.8, 79.1, 79.3, 107.8, 126.7, 164.2, 201.3; MS (CI) m/z 279 (M+H)+, 296 (M+NH₄)+. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₂O₄: C, 69.04; H, 7.97. Found: C, 70.25; H, 7.79.

4.32. (1*SR*,3*RS*,4*SR*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-3,4-(2,2-Propylidenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodeca-6-en-8-one (39)

Following the procedure for the preparation of **33**, enone **39** (58%) was obtained from alcohol **37** as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.68; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.15 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 1.48 (s, 3H), 2.19 (m, 3H), 2.69 (m, 3H), 2.87 (s, 1H), 4.15 (m, 2H), 5.78 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.5, 25.7, 26.8, 29.9, 33.7, 36.1, 44.5, 61.4, 71.8, 72.5, 80.0, 83.9, 108.9, 126.1, 164.4, 200.9; MS (CI) *m*/*z* 279 (M+H)⁺, 296 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₆H₂₃O₄: 279.1596; found: 279.1602.

4.33. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Cyano-3,4-(2,2-propylidenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (40)

Et₂AlCN in PhMe (1 M, 1.26 mL) was added dropwise to ketal **33** (117 mg, 0.42 mmol) in THF (1 mL). After 13 h at room temperature, saturated aqueous NH₄Cl was added and the suspension was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The extract was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) to give nitrile **40** (113 mg, 88%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 2:3) 0.75; IR (film) 2287, 1721, 1370, 1220, 1084 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.20 (s, 3H), 1.27 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 3H), 2.22 (m, 8H), 2.90 (m, 1H), 4.30 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.3, 24.4, 26.4, 28.0, 28.9, 33.9, 37.4, 38.2, 38.7, 59.1, 71.4, 72.4, 82.3, 83.8, 109.3, 122.8, 204.8; MS (CI) m/z 306 (M+H)⁺, 323 (M+NH₄)⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₂₃NO₄: C, 66.86; H, 7.59; N, 4.59. Found: C, 66.95; H, 7.55; N, 4.57.

4.34. (1*SR*,3*RS*,4*SR*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Cyano-3,4-(2,2-propylidenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (41)

Reaction of **39** with Et₂AlCN as for the preparation of **40** gave nitrile **41** (121 mg, 94%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.87; IR (film) 2232, 1719, 1463, 1430, 1089, 1033 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.25 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 3H), 2.38 (m, 8H), 2.80 (m, 1H), 4.33 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.9, 26.1, 28.6, 28.9, 34.4, 34.6, 38.4, 42.3, 46.5, 59.0, 71.5, 71.9, 79.6, 83.9, 108.9, 121.9, 204.7; MS (CI) *m/z* 306 (M+H)⁺, 323 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₇H₂₄NO₄: 306.1705; found: 306.1708.

4.35. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Cyano-3,4-dihydroxy-8-(1,2-ethylenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecane (42)

Ketal **40** (194 mg, 0.64 mmol), PhH (6 mL), ethylene glycol (5 mL), and *p*-TsOH·H₂O (5 mg) were heated to reflux for 3 h (Dean–Stark apparatus). After cooling to room temperature, EtOAc was added and the mixture was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃, dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 3:7) to give acetal **42** (65 mg, 33%) as a colorless oil: R_f (EtOAc) 0.58; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.26 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 3H), 2.01 (m, 7H), 2.70 (m, 2H), 4.14 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.3, 30.9, 36.9, 37.5, 37.7, 38.2, 41.9, 51.7, 63.9, 65.1, 68.0, 68.2, 81.8, 82.9, 108.9, 123.9; MS (CI) *m/z* 310 (M+H)⁺, 327 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₆H₂₇N₂O₅: 327.1920; found: 327.1917.

4.36. (1SR,3RS,4SR,6RS,9RS)-6-Cyano-3,4-dihydroxy-8-(1,2-ethylenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecane (43)

Reaction of nitrile **41** with ethylene glycol as for ketal **40** gave ketal **43** (59 mg, 30%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/ EtOAc 3:7) 0.33; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.44 (s, 3H), 2.00 (m, 6H), 2.24 (m, 2H), 2.65 (m, 1H), 3.97 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.3, 30.7, 35.6, 37.6, 38.1, 41.3, 42.1, 50.9, 63.9, 65.3, 67.8,

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69.4, 81.3, 85.2, 108.1, 122.2; MS (CI) *m*/*z* 310 (M+H)⁺, 327 (M+NH₄)⁺.

4.37. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,8*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Cyano-3,4-(2,2propylidenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-ol (44)

NaBH₄ (116 mg, 3.07 mmol) was added in one portion to ketone 40 (469 mg, 1.5 mmol) in EtOH (6 mL) at 0 °C. After 1 h, the solution was allowed to warm to room temperature, then saturated aqueous NH₄Cl was added and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic extracts were washed with brine, dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) to give alcohol 44 (317 mg, 69%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.43; IR (film) 3406, 2234, 1647, 1464, 1106, 1019, 898, 801 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.19 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s. 3H), 1.42 (s. 3H), 1.49 (s. 3H), 1.98 (m. 8H), 2.34 (m, 1H), 4.23 (m, 3H); 13 C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.9, 26.4, 28.1, 31.6, 33.6, 37.6, 37.8, 39.9, 40.5, 48.4, 69.8, 71.6, 72.4, 81.5, 84.9, 109.0, 123.6; MS (CI) m/z 308 $(M+H)^+$, 325 $(M+NH_4)^+$; HRMS (CI) m/z calcd for C₁₇H₂₉N₂O₄: 325.2127; found: 325.2133.

4.38. (1*SR*,3*RS*,4*SR*,6*RS*,8*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Cyano-3,4-(2,2propylidenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-ol (45)

Reduction of ketone **41** as for **40** gave alcohol **45** (210 mg, 65%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.71; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.27 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 3H), 1.51 (s, 3H), 2.12 (m, 9H), 4.18 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.9, 26.2, 28.7, 31.7, 34.1, 34.8, 39.3, 39.9, 41.2, 48.3, 69.9, 71.7, 72.2, 78.9, 84.9, 108.7, 122.7; MS (CI) *m*/*z* 308 (M+H)⁺, 325 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₇H₂₆NO₄: 308.1862; found: 308.1869.

4.39. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,8*RS*,9*RS*)-3,4-(2,2-Propylidenedioxy)-8-hydroxy-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-6-carboxaldehyde (46)

LiAlH₄ in THF (2 M, 0.14 mL) was added dropwise to alcohol 44 (55 mg, 0.18 mmol) in dry THF (1 mL). After 2 h, H_2O (40 µL) and aqueous NaOH (2 M; 20 µL) were added and the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, filtered, and the solids were washed with EtOAc. The combined filtrates were rotary evaporated and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 3:7) to give aldehyde 46 (32 mg, 58%) as a colorless oil: R_f (EtOAc) 0.72; IR (film) 3423, 1721, 1462, 1368, 1160, 1021 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.24 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 3H), 1.50 (s, 3H), 2.05 (m, 9H), 3.87 (m, 1H), 4.32 (m, 2H), 9.65 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.3, 26.6, 28.0, 32.1, 33.2, 36.1, 37.6, 38.8, 48.7, 52.5, 70.7, 72.2, 72.9, 81.2, 82.8, 108.9, 203.1; MS (CI) m/z 311 (M+H)⁺, 328 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) m/z calcd for C₁₇H₂₇O₃: 311.1858; found: 311.1849.

4.40. (1*SR*,3*RS*,4*SR*,6*RS*,8*RS*,9*RS*)-3,4-(2,2-Propylidenedioxy)-8-hydroxy-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-6-carboxaldehyde (47)

Reduction of nitrile **45** as for **44** gave aldehyde **47** (115 mg, 54%) as a colorless oil: R_f (EtOAc) 0.81; ¹H NMR

(300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 3H), 1.51 (s, 3H), 1.56 (s, 3H), 2.16 (m, 9H), 3.87 (m, 1H), 4.23 (m, 2H), 9.60 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.1, 26.2, 28.8, 32.1, 33.4, 35.3, 36.8, 38.8, 48.9, 56.6, 70.8, 71.5, 72.7, 78.5, 82.6, 108.2, 204.1; MS (CI) *m/z* 311 (M+H)⁺, 328 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m/z* calcd for C_{17H27}O₃: 311.1858; found: 311.1843.

4.41. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,8*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Hydroxymethyl-3,4-(2,2-propylidenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-ol (48)

Method A: NaBH₄ (7.3 mg, 0.19 mmol) was added in one portion to aldehyde 46 (30 mg, 0.09 mmol) in EtOH (0.5 mL) at 0 °C. After 1.5 h, the mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature, diluted with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl and brine, and extracted with EtOAc. The organic phase was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, EtOAc) to give alcohol 48 (17 mg, 60%) as a colorless oil. Method B: LiAlH₄ in THF (2 M, 0.38 mL) was added to aldehyde 46 in dry THF (1 mL). After 20 min, saturated aqueous Na2SO4 was added and the solvent was rotary evaporated. Chromatography (silica, EtOAc) gave alcohol 48 (26.5 mg, 71%) as a colorless oil: R_f (EtOAc) 0.37; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.22 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 3H), 1.49 (s, 6H), 1.59 (m, 1H), 1.94 (m, 8H), 2.37 (br s, 1H), 3.55 (q_{AB}, *J*=11.7 Hz, 2H), 4.22 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.2, 26.3, 28.2, 32.0, 32.3, 37.5, 38.3, 40.1, 42.6, 49.3, 67.5, 70.8, 72.7, 73.2, 81.9, 83.3, 108.5; MS (CI) *m/z* 313 (M+H)⁺, 330 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₇H₂₉O₅: 313.2015; found: 313.2026.

4.42. (1*SR*,3*RS*,4*SR*,6*RS*,8*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Hydroxymethyl-3,4-(2,2-propylidenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-ol (49)

Reduction of aldehyde **47** as for **46** gave alcohol **49** (145 mg, 75%) as a colorless oil (method A): R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.54; IR (film) 3407, 1725, 1583, 1462, 1040 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.26 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 3H), 1.50 (s, 3H), 1.56 (s, 3H), 2.04 (m, 9H), 3.45 (q_{AB}, *J*=10.8 Hz, 2H), 3.70 (m, 1H), 4.03 (m, 1H), 4.22 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.2, 26.3, 28.7, 32.2, 33.7, 35.5, 37.4, 37.9, 45.3, 49.2, 64.7, 70.8, 72.3, 72.7, 80.0, 81.7, 107.7; MS (CI) *m*/*z* 313 (M+H)⁺, 330 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₇H₂₉O₅: 313.2015; found: 313.2019.

4.43. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Hydroxymethyl-3,4-(2,2-propylidenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (50)

Trichloroisocyanuric acid (42 mg, 0.18 mmol) in Me₂CO (0.5 mL) was added to diol **48** (126 mg, 0.4 mmol) in Me₂CO (0.2 mL) and pyridine (30 μ L, 0.56 mmol). After 0.5 h, the mixture was rotary evaporated and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 3:7) to give ketone **50** (60 mg, 48%) as a colorless oil: R_f (EtOAc) 0.89; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.28 (s, 6H), 1.37 (s, 3H), 1.52 (s, 3H), 2.07 (m, 5H), 2.21 (m, 2H), 2.42 (m, 1H), 2.58 (m, 1H), 3.67 (q_{AB}, *J*=11.6 Hz, 2H), 4.27 (m, 1H), 4.40 (m, 1H,); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.8, 26.3, 28.2, 29.5, 32.7, 36.5, 37.9, 43.8, 48.9, 60.3, 68.0, 72.4, 73.1, 81.6, 83.8, 108.7, 209.4.

4.44. (1*SR*,3*RS*,4*SR*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Hydroxymethyl-3,4-(2,2-propylidenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (51)

Oxidation of alcohol **49** as for **48** gave ketone **51** (65 mg, 52%) as a colorless oil: R_f (EtOAc) 0.72; IR (film) 3442, 1707, 1368, 1243, 1041, 860 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.25 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 3H), 2.16 (m, 6H), 2.42 (m, 2H), 2.51 (m, 1H), 3.47 (q_{AB}, *J*=11.2 Hz, 2H), 4.10 (m, 1H), 4.25 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.9, 26.3, 28.7, 29.7, 34.6, 34.9, 36.7, 46.7, 47.3, 60.3, 65.5, 71.8, 72.4, 80.8, 81.6, 107.9, 211.1; MS (CI) *m*/*z* 311 (M+H)⁺, 328 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m*/*z* calcd for C₁₇H₂₇O₅: 311.1858; found: 311.1848. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₂₆O₅: C, 65.78; H, 8.44. Found: C, 65.64; H, 8.34.

4.45. (1*SR*,3*RS*,4*SR*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-3-Acetoxy-6-acetoxymethyl-4-hydroxy-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatricyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (53)

p-TsOH·H₂O (3 mg) was added to ketone 51 (60 mg, 0.19 mmol) in MeOH (2.5 mL) and the mixture was heated to reflux for 1.5 h, cooled to room temperature, and rotary evaporated to give diol 52, which was used directly in the next step without purification. DMAP (3 mg) and Ac₂O (59 µL, 0.63 mmol) were added to the crude diol 52 in dry pyridine (1 mL). After 13 h at room temperature, the mixture was diluted with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and extracted with EtOAc $(3 \times 15 \text{ mL})$. The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) to give diester 53 (21 mg, 31% over two steps) as a white solid: R_f (hexanes/ EtOAc 1:1) 0.25; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.34 (s, 6H), 1.77 (m, 1H), 2.04 (m, 2H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 2.20 (m, 5H), 2.60 (m, 1H), 4.02 (q_{AB}, J=11.6 Hz, 2H), 4.10 (m, 1H), 4.68 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) & 20.8, 21.3, 23.7, 29.3, 30.7, 36.3, 37.6, 45.4, 47.5, 59.3, 66.1, 67.6, 70.2, 83.2, 83.9, 170.5, 170.7, 207.5; MS (CI) m/z 355 (M+H)⁺, 372 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₂₇O₇: 355.1757; found: 355.1749.

4.46. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,8*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Ethenyl-3,4-(2,2propylidenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-ol (54)

KN(SiMe₃)₂ in PhMe (0.5 M, 3.9 mL, 1.96 mmol) was added to Ph₃PCH₃Br (757 mg, 2.12 mmol) in dry THF (10 mL) (Ar) at room temperature. The suspension was stirred for 1 h, cooled to -78 °C, and aldehyde 46 (263 mg, 0.85 mmol) in dry THF (3 mL) was added dropwise. The mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature over 2 h, diluted with MeOH, and added to saturated aqueous potassium sodium tartrate and H_2O (1:1). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc and the extract was dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 3:7) to give alkene 54 (173 mg, 66%) as a colorless oil: R_f (EtOAc) 0.91; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.16 (s, 3H), 1.27 (s, 3H), 1.45 (s, 3H), 1.47 (s, 3H), 1.77 (m, 6H), 2.14 (m, 2H), 2.34 (m, 1H), 3.99 (m, 1H), 4.18 (m, 1H), 4.29 (m, 1H), 5.07 (m, 2H), 6.25 (dd, $J_1=10.4$ Hz, $J_2=17.6$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) & 24.2, 26.2, 28.7, 32.0, 37.2, 37.5, 38.1, 39.3,

45.1, 49.8, 70.5, 73.1, 73.3, 82.9, 84.0, 108.0, 112.8, 143.6; MS (CI) m/z 309 (M+H)⁺; HRMS (CI) m/z calcd for C₁₈H₂₉O₄: 309.2066; found: 309.2053.

4.47. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Ethenyl-3,4-(2,2propylidenedioxy)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (55)

IBX (184 mg, 0.66 mmol) was added in one portion to alcohol **54** (135 mg, 0.44 mmol) in DMSO (3 mL). After 2.5 h, H₂O was added and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc and the separated organic phase was dried (MgSO₄) and rotary evaporated. Chromatography (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 3:7) gave ketone **55** (117 mg, 87%) as a colorless oil: R_f (EtOAc) 0.87; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.28 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.35 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 3H), 1.88 (m, 2H), 2.10 (m, 3H), 2.35 (m, 2H), 2.53 (m, 1H), 2.73 (m, 1H), 4.29 (m, 1H), 4.42 (m, 1H), 5.10 (m, 2H), 6.25 (dd, J_1 =15.2 Hz, J_2 =17.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 23.8, 26.2, 28.6, 29.4, 36.2, 36.9, 37.2, 46.8, 46.7, 60.8, 72.8, 73.2, 82.4, 84.4, 108.2, 115.4, 143.2, 209.8; MS (CI) *m/z* 307 (M+H)⁺, 324 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) *m/z* calcd for C₁₈H₂₇O₄: 307.1909; found: 307.1911.

4.48. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-6-Ethenyl-3,4-dihydroxy-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (56)

p-TsOH (5 mg) was added to ketone **55** (117 mg, 0.38 mmol) in MeOH (4 mL) and the mixture was heated to reflux for 1.5 h, rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) to give diol **56** (70 mg, 69%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.34; IR (film) 3386, 1584, 1462, 1441, 1117, 1020 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.25 (s, 6H), 1.72 (dd, J_1 =12.8 Hz, J_2 =4.4 Hz, 1H), 1.85 (dq, J_1 =3.2 Hz, J_2 =18.4 Hz, 2H), 2.09 (m, 2H), 2.28 (m, 2H), 2.50 (m, 1H), 2.67 (m, 1H), 4.03 (m, 1H), 4.13 (m, 1H), 5.06 (m, 2H), 6.46 (dd, J_1 =11.2 Hz, J_2 =17.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.6, 29.3, 36.4, 37.0, 40.2, 47.1, 48.2, 60.9, 68.8, 68.8, 81.7, 84.7, 114.3, 143.9, 210.2; MS (CI) m/z 284 (M+NH₄)⁺.

4.49. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-3,4-Diacetoxy-6-ethenyl-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetracyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (57)

Ac₂O (62 µL, 0.66 mmol) and DMAP (3 mg) were added to diol 56 (70 mg, 0.26 mmol) in dry pyridine (1.5 mL). After 13 h at room temperature, saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ was added and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 7:3) to give diester 57 (103 mg, 100%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) 0.85; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.26 (s, 6H), 1.84 (m, 2H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 2.03 (s, 3H), 2.03 (m, 1H), 2.12 (m, 1H), 2.29 (m, 3H), 2.51 (m, 1H), 2.66 (m, 1H), 5.06 (m, 2H), 5.27 (m, 1H), 5.32 (m, 1H), 6.24 (dd, $J_1=11.2$ Hz, $J_2=17.6$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 20.8, 21.0, 23.4, 29.1, 33.7, 36.9, 38.3, 46.9, 47.9, 60.8, 68.5, 69.41, 81.9, 83.9, 114.7, 142.4, 170.0, 170.1, 208.9; MS (CI) m/z 368 (M+NH₄)+; HRMS (CI) m/z calcd for C₁₉H₃₀NO₆: 368.2073; found: 368.2072.

4.50. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-3,4-Diacetoxy-6-(1,2-dihydroxyethyl)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetra-cyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (58)

N-Methylmorpholine-N-oxide (52 mg, 0.44 mmol) and OsO₄ in ^tBuOH (2.5 wt %, 0.72 mL) were added to alkene 57 (103 mg, 0.29 mmol) in Me₂CO and H₂O (4:1, 10 mL). The resultant mixture was stirred for 6 days at room temperature then saturated aqueous Na₂SO₃ was added and the suspension was stirred vigorously for 0.5 h. The aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc $(3 \times 15 \text{ mL})$ and the combined organic layers were dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 3:7 to EtOAc) to give diol 58 (39.5 mg, 36%) as a colorless oil: R_f (EtOAc) 0.54; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.24 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.82 (m, 2H), 1.99 (s, 3H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 2.15 (m, 1H), 2.32 (m, 2H), 2.51 (m, 3H), 3.16 (m, 1H), 3.50 (m, 2H), 3.72 (m, 1H), 5.30 (m, 1H), 5.44 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR $(100 \text{ MHz}, \text{ CDCl}_3) \delta 20.9, 21.2, 23.7, 29.0, 32.1, 35.4,$ 36.5, 45.0, 50.5, 60.5, 64.5, 67.9, 69.3, 75.4, 81.0, 84.4, 168.8, 170.1, 209.1; MS (CI) m/z 402 (M+NH₄)⁺.

4.51. (1*SR*,3*SR*,4*RS*,6*RS*,9*RS*)-3,4-Diacetoxy-6-(1,2-diacetoxyethyl)-10,10-dimethyl-11-oxatetra-cyclo[7.2.1.0^{1,6}]dodecan-8-one (59)

Ac₂O (24 µL, 0.25 mmol) and DMAP (3 mg) were added to diol 58 (39 mg, 0.1 mmol) in dry pyridine (1 mL). After 13 h at room temperature, saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ was added and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic phases were dried (MgSO₄), rotary evaporated, and chromatographed (silica, hexanes/EtOAc 1:1) to give tetra-ester **59** (35 mg, 75%) as a colorless oil: R_f (hexanes/ EtOAc 1:1) 0.68; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.25 (s, 3H), 1.27 (s, 3H), 1.78 (m, 2H), 1.96 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 2.25 (m, 5H), 2.63 (m, 2H), 4.14 (m, 1H), 4.45 (m, 1H), 5.30 (m, 1H), 5.37 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 20.7, 20.9, 21.1, 21.2, 23.5, 29.1, 34.4, 35.5, 35.7, 44.9, 49.1, 60.4, 63.8, 66.8, 69.3, 73.1, 80.9, 83.6, 169.9, 170.2, 170.4, 170.7, 207.8; MS (CI) m/z 486 (M+NH₄)⁺; HRMS (CI) m/z calcd for C23H36NO10: 486.2339; found: 486.2355.

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