Efforts toward Rapid Construction of the Cortistatin A Carbocyclic Core via Enyne-ene Metathesis

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Materials and Methods

Unless otherwise stated, reactions were performed in flame-dried glassware under an argon or nitrogen atmosphere using anhydrous solvents (either freshly distilled or passed through activated alumina columns). All other commercially obtained reagents were used as received. Reaction temperatures were controlled by an IKAmag temperature modulator. Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using E. Merck silica gel 60 F254 pre coated plates (0.25 mm) and visualized by UV fluorescence quenching, p-anisaldehyde, or KMnO₄ staining. ICN Silica gel (particle size 0.032-0.063 mm) was used for flash column chromatography. Analytical chiral HPLC was performed on a Chiralcel OD-H column (250 mm x 4.6 mm, 5 µm particle size, 0.8 mL/min flow rate) obtained from Daicel Chemical Industries, Ltd. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Mercury 300 (at 300 MHz) or a Varian Inova 500 (at 500 MHz) and are reported relative to Me₄Si (δ 0.0). Data for ¹H NMR spectra are reported as follows: chemical shift (δ ppm) (multiplicity, coupling constant (Hz), integration). ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Mercury 300 (at 75 MHz) or a Varian Inova 500 (at 125 MHz) and are reported relative to Me₄Si (δ 0.0). Data for ¹³C NMR spectra are reported in terms of chemical shift. IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin Elmer Paragon 1000 Spectrometer and are reported in frequency of absorption (cm⁻¹). Optical rotations were measured with a Jasco P-1010 polarimeter at 589 nm using 100 mm or 50 mm path-length cell. High resolution mass spectra were obtained from the California Institute of Technology Mass Spectral Facility.

Experimental Procedures and Spectroscopic Data



(2-Bromocyclohex-1-enyl)methanol (9).^[1, 2] The allylic alcohol was synthesized according to a similar procedure.^[3] To a solution of DMF (7.4 mL, 95.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv) in CHCl₃ (25 mL) was added PBr₃ (8.1 mL, 86.0 mmol, 2.7 equiv) dropwise at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 30 min, then cyclohexanone (8) (3.3 mL, 32.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added dropwise over 30 min. After the resulting dark red solution was stirred at 70 °C for 1.5 h, it was poured into 4 M aq NaOAc (40 mL). Solid NaOH was added to the mixture to adjust the

pH to 7.0 and the aqueous layer was extracted with hexanes. The combined organic phases were dried (Na₂SO₄) and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated and the crude product was used in the next step without further purification. $R_f = 0.80$ (4:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.02 (s, 1H), 2.77-2.72 (m, 2H), 2.30-2.25 (m, 2H), 1.80-1.65 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.0, 143.9, 128.6, 39.1, 25.2, 24.5, 21.3; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 2937, 1681, 1619, 1449, 1340, 1208, 972 cm⁻¹.

The crude product was dissolved in Et₂O (60 mL) and the solution was cooled to 0 °C. DIBAL (5.7 mL, 32.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added slowly, and the mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 12 h. The reaction was quenched with H₂O (1.5 mL), 3 M aq NaOH (1.5 mL) and H₂O (3.0 mL), and stirred vigorously for 20 min. Na₂SO₄ (ca. 20 g) was added and the mixture was stirred for an additional 1 h. The white solid was removed by filtration and the filtrate was concentrated to afford a yellow oil, which was purified by flash chromatography (4:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give **9** as a clear oil (3.85 g, 63% yield). R_f = 0.30 (4:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.22 (s, 2H), 2.52-2.50 (m, 2H), 2.28-2.24 (m, 2H), 1.69 (quintet, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 4H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 135.5, 121.0, 66.1, 36.9, 29.0, 24.9, 22.5.



1-(((2-Bromocyclohex-1-enyl)methoxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (10). To a solution of **9** (1.01 g, 5.29 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in toluene (21 mL) was added 4-methoxybenzyl 2,2,2trichloroacetimidate^[4] (2.24 g, 7.93 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and La(OTf)₃ (164 mg, 0.28 mmol, 0.053 equiv). The mixture was stirred at 50 °C for 12 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated, and the crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexanes → 99:1 → 98:2 hexanes/EtOAc) to give **10** as a colorless oil (1.60 g, 98% yield). R_f = 0.40 (99:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30-7.25 (m, 2H), 6.90-6.84 (m, 2H), 4.41 (s, 2H), 4.15 (s, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 2.52-2.49 (m, 2H), 2.24-2.20 (m, 2H), 1.71-1.64 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.4, 133.5, 130.8, 129.6, 122.3, 114.0, 73.2, 72.0, 55.5, 37.1, 29.2, 25.0, 22.5; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 2934, 2858, 2836, 1613, 1586, 1513, 1464, 1332, 1302, 1246, 1173, 1112, 1077, 1037, 972, 820 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI+) *m/z* calc'd for C₁₅H₁₉BrO₂ [M]⁺: 310.0568, found 310.0563.



1-Methoxy-4-(((2-vinylcyclohex-1-enyl)methoxy)methyl)benzene (11). A Schlenk flask was charged with Pd(PPh₃)₄ (281 mg, 0.24 mmol, 0.1 equiv), evacuated and refilled with Ar. **10** (755 mg, 2.44 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in toluene (10 mL) and tributyl(vinyl)tin (1.0 mL, 3.41 mmol, 1.4 equiv) were added. The mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 2 d. The reaction mixture was concentrated, and the crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexanes → 99:1 → 98:2 hexanes/EtOAc) to give **11** as a colorless oil (618 mg, 98% yield). R_f = 0.50 (99:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) & 7.30-7.27 (m, 2H), 6.90-6.88 (m, 2H), 6.83 (dd, *J* = 17.1, 10.8 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (dd, *J* = 17.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (s, 2H), 4.09 (s, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 2.23-2.21 (m, 4H), 1.68-1.62 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) & 159.4, 134.4, 133.9, 133.1, 130.9, 129.6, 114.0, 112.3, 71.9, 69.1, 55.5, 29.3, 25.3, 22.8, 22.7; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3088, 2999, 2930, 2857, 2835, 1698, 1637, 1613, 1586, 1514, 1464, 1357, 1302, 1248, 1173, 1136, 1064, 1037, 986, 896, 820 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) *m/z* calc'd for C₁₇H₂₂O₂ [M]⁺: 258.1620, found 258.1623.



1-(((2-(2-Iodoethyl)cyclohex-1-enyl)methoxy)methyl)-4-methoxybenzene (5). A round bottom flask was cooled to 0 °C and charged with BH₃•THF (3.6 mL, 1 M in THF, 3.54 mmol, 1.5 equiv). Cyclohexene (0.73 mL, 7.20 mmol, 3.05 equiv) was added and the mixture was allowed to warm to 25 °C over 30 min. Then **11** (610 mg, 2.36 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (5 mL) was added at 0 °C, and the mixture was allowed to warm to 25 °C over 5 h. The reaction was quenched with NaBO₃•H₂O (4.48 g, 44.9 mmol, 19 equiv) in H₂O (20 mL), and the mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 12 h. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc and the combined organic phases were dried (Na₂SO₄), and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (9:1 → 7:1 → 5:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give 2-(2-((4-Methoxybenzyloxy)methyl)cyclohex-1-enyl)ethanol as a colorless oil (608 mg, 93% yield). R_f = 0.20 (9:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) & 7.28-7.26 (m, 2H), 6.88-6.86 (m, 2H), 4.43 (s, 2H), 3.88 (s, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.61 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.66 (br s, 1H), 2.31 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.10 (br s, 2H), 2.01 (br s, 2H), 1.61-1.58 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.5, 133.9, 130.9, 130.3, 129.9, 114.0, 72.6, 70.2, 60.5, 55.5, 36.8, 29.8, 29.5, 23.2, 23.1; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3401, 2998, 2929, 2858, 2835, 1664, 1613, 1586, 1514, 1464, 1442, 1365, 1352, 1302, 1249, 1174, 1138, 1110, 1038, 821 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) m/z calc'd for C₁₇H₂₅O₃ [M+H]⁺: 277.1804, found 277.1811.

To a solution of PPh₃ (527 mg, 2.01 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and imidazole (273 mg, 4.02 mmol, 3.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (8 mL) was added I₂ (544 mg, 2.14 mmol, 1.6 equiv) at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min. Then 2-(2-((4-methoxybenzyloxy)methyl)cyclohex-1-enyl)ethanol (370 mg, 1.34 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) was added and the mixture was allowed to warm to 25 °C over 2 h and stirred at 25 °C for 16 h. After addition of 5% aq Na₂S₂O₃, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (99:1 \rightarrow 95:5 \rightarrow 9:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give **5** as a pale yellow oil (436 mg, 84% yield). R_f = 0.50 (99:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.28-7.26 (m, 2H), 6.89-6.87 (m, 2H), 4.41 (s, 2H), 3.89 (s, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.12 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 2.60 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 2.07 (br s, 2H), 2.01 (br s, 2H), 1.60-1.58 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.4, 135.1, 131.0, 130.7, 129.6, 114.0, 72.2, 69.8, 55.5, 38.2, 29.5, 28.5, 23.0, 22.9, 4.6; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 2998, 2927, 2855, 2833, 1612, 1586, 1513, 1463, 1354, 1302, 1248, 1172, 1134, 1068, 1037, 820 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) *m/z* calc'd for C₁₇H₂₃IO₂ [M]⁺: 386.0743, found 386.0733.



(2S, 3S)-2-allyl-3-hydroxy-2-methylcyclopentanone (7).^[5] To a solution of D-Glucose (30.0 g) in H₂O (200 mL) was added dry active baker's yeast (20.0 g) at 35 °C. The suspension was stirred open to the air at 33 °C for 45 min. Dione 12 (1.71 g, 11.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added dropwise, and the mixture was vigorously stirred at 25 °C for 5 d. The mixture was filtered over Celite, and the Celite was washed with H₂O and CH₂Cl₂. The filtrate was diluted with H₂O and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ in a continuous extractor for 48 h. The organic phase was concentrated and the crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (9:1 \rightarrow 7:1 \rightarrow

3:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to afford separated diastereoisomers **7** and **13** (1.16 g, 68% yield, 9 : 1 dr). **7** was isolated as a colorless oil. $R_f = 0.27$ (7:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.87 (dddd, J = 17.0, 10.0, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.17-5.10 (m, 2H), 4.13-4.10 (m, 1H), 2.51-2.43 (m, 1H), 2.37-2.16 (m, 4H), 1.97 (dddd, J = 13.0, 9.5, 9.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 1.90 (s, 1H), 0.99 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.9, 134.6, 118.4, 77.7, 53.4, 35.7, 34.3, 28.0 20.0; HRMS (EI+) m/z calc'd for $C_9H_{14}O_2$ [M]⁺: 154.0994, found 154.0993; [α] $p^{24.6}$ +98.4° (c 1.01, CHCl₃, >99% ee). Analytical chiral HPLC assay with the benzoate of **7**: Chiralcel OD-H column, 1:9 2-propanol:hexanes, 0.8 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, isocratic method. **7-benzoate**: $t_{fast} = 13.93$ min ((+)-**7-benzoate**), $t_{slow} = 15.51$ min ((-)-**7-benzoate**). Enantioenriched **7-benzoate**: $t_{fast} = 13.93$ min ((+)-**7-benzoate**, >99%) (the trace corresponding to (-)-**7-benzoate** was below the threshold of detection).



(15, 25)-2-allyl-2-methyl-3-oxocyclopentyl 4-bromobenzoate (SI1). To a suspension of alcohol 7 (150 mg, 0.97 mmol, 1 equiv) and DMAP (11.9 mg, 0.097 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in pyridine (9 mL) cooled to 0 °C, *p*-bromobenzoylchloride (320 mg, 1.46 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added. The reaction was allowed to gradually warm to 25 °C and quenched with water after 18 hours. The reaction mixture was extracted with CH₂Cl₂, the combined organic phases were dried (Na₂SO₄), and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexanes \rightarrow 90:10 hexanes/EtOAc) to afford SI1 (335 mg, 99% yield) as a white solid. M. P.: 55-57 °C from 1:5 hexanes/EtOAc; R_f = 0.52 (4:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 5.72 (dddd, J = 17.0, 10.5, 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.37 (m, 1H), 5.04-4.99 (m, 2H), 2.49-2.33 (comp. m, 5H), 2.20 (m, 1H), 1.10 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 219.0, 165.0, 133.1, 132.1, 131.2, 128.9, 128.6, 118.8, 79.9, 52.4, 35.9, 34.1, 25.9, 20.1; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3076, 2976, 1742, 1721, 1590, 1484, 1398, 1271, 1113, 1102, 1012, 756 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI+) *m*/*z* calc'd for C₁₆H₁₇O₃Br [M⁺]: 336.0361, found 336.0350; [α] $p^{25.0}$ +162.2° (*c* 0.61, CHCl₃).

The bromobenzoate was recrystallized from 1:5 hexanes/EtOAc to provide crystals suitable for x-ray analysis.



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Note: Crystallographic data have been deposited at the CCDC, 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK and copies can be obtained on request, free of charge, by quoting the publication citation and the deposition number 748731.

Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for SYM10 (CCDC 748731).

Empirical formula	$\mathrm{C_{16}H_{17}O_{3}Br}$	
Formula weight	337.21	
Crystallization Solvent	Ethylacetate/hexanes	
Crystal Habit	Block	
Crystal size	$0.20 \text{ x} 0.19 \text{ x} 0.12 \text{ mm}^3$	
Crystal color	Colorless	
Data Collection		
Type of diffractometer	Bruker KAPPA APEX II	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å MoKα	
Data Collection Temperature	100(2) K	

θ range for 9810 reflections used in lattice determination	2.57 to 32.19°
Unit cell dimensions	a = 5.7803(2) Å
	$ \begin{array}{l} a = 5.7805(2) \ A \\ b = 24.8200(11) \ \text{\AA} \\ c = 10.2688(4) \ \text{\AA} \end{array} $ $\beta = 91.528(2)^{\circ}$
Volume	1472.71(10) Å ³
Z	4
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Space group	P2 ₁
Density (calculated)	1.521 Mg/m ³
F(000)	688
Data collection program	Bruker APEX2 v2009.7-0
θ range for data collection	1.64 to 33.46°
Completeness to $\theta = 33.46^{\circ}$	99.5 %
Index ranges	$-8 \le h \le 8, -38 \le k \le 38, -15 \le l \le 15$
Data collection scan typeω scans; 24 settings	
Data reduction program	Bruker SAINT-Plus v7.66A
Reflections collected	50019
Independent reflections	11399 [$R_{int} = 0.0523$]
Absorption coefficient	2.795 mm ⁻¹
Absorption correction	None
Max. and min. transmission	0.7303 and 0.6048
Structur	e solution and Refinement
Structure solution program	SHELXS-97 (Sheldrick, 2008)
Primary solution method	Direct methods
Secondary solution method	Difference Fourier map
Hydrogen placement	Difference Fourier map
Structure refinement program	SHELXL-97 (Sheldrick, 2008)
Refinement method	Full matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	11399 / 1 / 497
Treatment of hydrogen atoms	Unrestrained
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.549
Final R indices [I> 2σ (I), 10256 reflections]	R1 = 0.0342, wR2 = 0.0548
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0391, wR2 = 0.0551
Type of weighting scheme used	Sigma
Weighting scheme used	$w=1/\sigma^2(Fo^2)$
Max shift/error	0.002

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Average shift/error	0.000
Absolute structure determination	Anomalous differences
Absolute structure parameter	-0.002(4)
Largest diff. peak and hole	1.491 and -0.868 e.Å $^{-3}$

Special Refinement Details

Crystals were mounted on a glass fiber using Paratone oil then placed on the diffractometer under a nitrogen stream at 100K.

Refinement of F^2 against ALL reflections. The weighted R-factor (*w*R) and goodness of fit (S) are based on F^2 , conventional R-factors (R) are based on F, with F set to zero for negative F^2 . The threshold expression of $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$ is used only for calculating R-factors(gt) etc. and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement. R-factors based on F^2 are statistically about twice as large as those based on F, and Rfactors based on ALL data will be even larger.

All esds (except the esd in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account individually in the estimation of esds in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between esds in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell esds is used for estimating esds involving l.s. planes.



(1*S*, 2*S*)-2-allyl-2-methyl-3-oxocyclopentanecarbonitrile (15). To a solution of **7** (805 mg, 5.22 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL) was added MsCl (0.8 mL, 10.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Et₃N (1.5 mL, 10.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv) at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 1 h. After addition of H₂O, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic phases were dried (Na₂SO₄) and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the crude mesylate was used in the next step without further purification. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.79 (dddd, *J* = 11.4, 8.7, 7.2, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.16-5.10 (m, 2H), 5.02 (m, 1H), 3.05 (s, 3H), 2.45-2.28 (m, 6H), 1.06 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 217.0, 132.5, 119.2, 85.9, 52.4, 38.8, 35.4, 33.7, 26.4, 19.7; HRMS (FAB+) *m*/*z* calc'd for C₁₀H₁₇SO₄ [M]⁺: 233.0848, found 233.0844.

The resulting yellow oil was dissolved in DMSO (16 mL), KCN (680 mg, 10.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was added, and the mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 5 d. After addition of brine, the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic phases were dried (Na₂SO₄) and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (8:1 \rightarrow 6:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give **15** (765 mg, 90% yield) as a yellow oil. R_f = 0.33 (7:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.74 (dddd, *J* = 17.5, 10.0, 7.5,

7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.21-5.15 (m, 2H), 2.94-2.90 (m, 1H), 2.52-2.21 (m, 6H), 1.13 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 216.3, 131.8, 120.4, 119.4, 51.2, 39.1, 38.4, 35.5, 23.5, 21.2; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3079, 2978, 2917, 2848, 2240, 1743, 1640, 1457, 1406, 1378, 1298, 1268, 1196, 1148, 1111, 1049, 994, 923 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI+) *m/z* calc'd for C₁₀H₁₃NO [M]⁺: 163.0997; [α]p^{24.3} +46.8° (*c* 0.80, CHCl₃).



(Isopinocampheylamine)-semicarbazone (SI2). Semicarbazide•HCl (51.2 mg, 0.46 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added to a solution of ketone **15** (50 mg, 0.31 mmol, 1 equiv) in pyridine (2.7 mL), water (1.3 mL), and MeOH (0.4 mL). The reaction mixture was heated to 105 °C for 1 h and then cooled to 25 °C. After addition of water, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic phases were dried (Na₂SO₄) and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (CH₂Cl₂ \rightarrow 9:1 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH) to afford the semicarbazone (49.7 mg, 73% yield) as a white solid. R_{*J*} = 0.53 (10:1 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD) δ 5.87 (dddd, *J* = 17.5, 10.0, 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.19-5.12 (m, 2H), 3.00 (m, 1H), 2.57-2.36 (m, 4H), 2.31 (m, 1H), 2.17 (m, 1H), 1.24 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) 158.8, 133.2, 119.5, 117.8, 40.7, 39.1, 25.4, 24.9, 22.1; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3215, 1691, 1490 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) *m*/*z* calc'd for C₁₁H₁₇N₄O [M+H]⁺: 221.1402, found 221.1408; [α]p^{25.0} +60.5° (*c* 0.615, MeOH).

To a solution of the semicarbazone (30 mg, 0.136 mmol, 1 equiv) in xylenes (1.3 mL) was added (1*S*, 2*S*, 3*S*, 5*R*)-(+)-isopinocampheylamine (27.5 uL, 0.163 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The reaction mixture was refluxed for 18 hours. Upon cooling, the reaction mixture was concentrated and purified by column chromatography (100:1 \rightarrow 1:100 hexanes/EtOAc) to give **SI2** as a light brown solid (28.5 mg, 59% yield). M. P.: 230-232 °C from CDCl₃; R_f = 0.67 (EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.20 (s, 1H), 5.92 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 5.80 (dddd, *J* = 17.5, 15.0, 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.21-5.14 (m, 2H), 4.17 (m, 1H), 2.74 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.63-2.52 (m, 2H), 2.45-2.40 (m, 4H), 2.30-2.17 (m, 2H), 1.97 (m, 1H), 1.86-1.83 (m, 2H), 1.60 (ddd, *J* = 13.5, 6.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 1.24 (s, 3H), 1.23 (s, 3H), 1.13 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 1.05 (s, 3H), 0.92 (d, *J* = 10 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.5, 156.1, 132.8,

119.5, 119.5, 48.4, 48.4, 48.0, 46.7, 41.8, 41.0, 40.0, 38.5, 37.9, 35.4, 28.2, 25.9, 25.4, 23.5, 23.5, 20.9; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3414, 3192, 3080, 2911, 1669, 1659, 1534 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI+) m/z calc'd for $C_{21}H_{32}ON_4$ [M⁺]: 356.2576, found 356.2584; $[\alpha]_D^{25.0}$ +96.3 (c 1.09, CHCl₃).

The semicarbazone was recrystallized from CDCl₃ to provide crystals suitable for x-ray analysis.



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Table 2. Crystal data and structure refinement for SYM11 (CCDC 749151).

Empirical formula	$C_{21}H_{32}N_4O$		
Formula weight	356.51	August States	
Crystallization Solvent	Methanol or CDCl ₃		
Crystal Habit	Blade		
Crystal size	$0.23 \text{ x } 0.19 \text{ x } 0.07 \text{ mm}^3$		
Crystal color	Colorless		
Data Collection			
Type of diffractometer	Bruker KAPPA APEX II		
Wavelength	0.71073 Å MoKα		
Data Collection Temperature	100(2) K		
θ range for 9942 reflections used in lattice determination	2.40 to 18.72°		
Unit cell dimensions	a = 17.5462(8) Å b = 11.0229(5) Å c = 32.8065(15) Å	β= 103.274(3)°	
Volume	6175.6(5) Å ³		

Z	12
Crystal system	Monoclinic
Space group	P2 ₁
Density (calculated)	1.150 Mg/m^3
F(000)	2328
Data collection program	Bruker APEX2 v2009.7-0
θ range for data collection	1.19 to 26.40°
Completeness to $\theta = 26.40^{\circ}$	99.7 %
Index ranges	$-21 \le h \le 21, -13 \le k \le 13, -34 \le l \le 41$
Data collection scan type	ω scans; 9 settings
Data reduction program	Bruker SAINT-Plus v7.66A
Reflections collected	80862
Independent reflections	25063 [R _{int} = 0.0604]
Absorption coefficient	0.072 mm^{-1}
Absorption correction	None
Max. and min. transmission	0.9950 and 0.9836
	Structure solution and Refinement

Structure solution program
Primary solution method
Secondary solution method
Hydrogen placement
Structure refinement program
Refinement method
Data / restraints / parameters
Treatment of hydrogen atoms
Goodness-of-fit on F ²
Final R indices [I>2 σ (I), 16797 reflections]
R indices (all data)
Type of weighting scheme used
Weighting scheme used
Max shift/error
Average shift/error
Absolute structure determination
Absolute structure parameter
Largest diff. peak and hole

SHELXS-97 (Sheldrick, 2008)
Direct methods
Difference Fourier map
Geometric positions
SHELXL-97 (Sheldrick, 2008)
Full matrix least-squares on F ²
25063 / 1 / 1429
Riding
1.387
R1 = 0.0574, wR2 = 0.0734
R1 = 0.0950, wR2 = 0.0768
Sigma
$w=1/\sigma^2(\text{Fo}^2)$
0.001
0.000
Known stereo center
-1.1(8)
0.397 and -0.495 e.Å ⁻³

Special Refinement Details

Crystals were mounted on a glass fiber using Paratone oil then placed on the diffractometer under a nitrogen stream at 100K.

Refinement of F^2 against ALL reflections. The weighted R-factor (*w*R) and goodness of fit (S) are based on F^2 , conventional R-factors (R) are based on F, with F set to zero for negative F^2 . The threshold expression of $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$ is used only for calculating R-factors(gt) etc. and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement. R-factors based on F^2 are statistically about twice as large as those based on F, and Rfactors based on ALL data will be even larger.

All esds (except the esd in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account individually in the estimation of esds in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between esds in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell esds is used for estimating esds involving l.s. planes.



Nitrile (17). To a solution of 15 (800 mg, 4.90 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in benzene (49 mL) was added PPTS (308 mg, 1.23 mmol, 0.25 equiv) and ethylene glycol (1.9 mL, 34.3 mmol, 7.0 equiv). The flask was fitted with a Dean-Stark trap, and the mixture was refluxed at 110 °C for 2 d. The volatiles were removed, and the crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (95:5 → 9:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give 17 (997 mg, 98% yield) as a pale yellow oil. $R_f = 0.42$ (7:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.95 (dddd, J = 17.5, 10.0, 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.19-5.14 (m, 1H), 5.11-5.08 (m, 1H), 4.00-3.94 (m, 2H), 3.93-3.88 (m, 2H), 2.75-2.72 (m, 1H), 2.47 (dd, J = 14.0, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (ddt, J = 14.0, 7.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 2.17-2.08 (m, 1H), 2.04-1.96 (m, 2H), 1.93-1.86 (m, 1H), 1.04 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 134.5, 121.5, 118.6, 118.0, 65.7, 65.1, 49.1, 37.8, 37.3, 32.7, 23.8, 19.9; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3077, 2979, 2916, 2888, 2849, 2237, 1639, 1462, 1439, 1380, 1310, 1290, 1202, 1173, 1148, 1132, 1043, 1005, 950, 928 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) *m/z* calc'd for C₁₂H₁₈NO₂ [M+H]⁺: 208.1338, found 208.1331; [α]p^{26.4} +78.0° (*c* 0.85, CHCl₃).



(19). To a solution of 17 (500 mg, 2.41 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (23 mL) was added DIBAL (3.6 mL, 1 M in CH_2Cl_2 , 3.62 mmol, 1.5 equiv) at -78 °C. The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 1 h. Rochelle's salt (7.5 mL) was added and the mixture was stirred at 25 °C for

40 min. The phases were separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried (Na_2SO_4) , and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the crude product was used in the next step without further purification.

The resulting colorless oil was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (12 mL) and added to a solution of TIPS-acetylene (3.2 mL, 14.5 mmol, 6.0 equiv) and ethylmagnesium bromide (3.2 mL, 3.0 M in Et₂O, 9.64 mmol, 4.0 equiv) in THF (29 mL) at 0 °C. The mixture was allowed to warm to 25 °C slowly and stirred at 25 °C for 24 h. After addition of saturated aq NH₄Cl, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄) and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (98:2 \rightarrow 9:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give **18** as a mixture of two diastereomers.

To a solution of **18** in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL), DMP (601 mg, 1.43 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and NaHCO₃ (132 mg, 1.57 mmol, 1.1 equiv) were added at 0 °C. The mixture was allowed to warm to 25 °C over 2 h and stirred at 25 °C for 10 h. After addition of saturated aq NaHCO₃, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (98:2 hexanes/EtOAc) to give **19** as a colorless oil (298 mg, 32% yield over 3 steps). $R_f = 0.60$ (9:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.92-5.83 (m, 1H), 4.99-4.95 (m, 2H), 3.95-3.88 (m, 4H), 3.00 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 2.38-2.26 (m, 2H), 2.11 (dd, J = 14.5, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 1.96-1.89 (m, 1H), 1.79-1.70 (m, 2H), 1.22 (s, 3H), 1.17-1.05 (m, 21H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 189.0, 135.7, 119.7, 117.6, 105.9, 96.7, 66.0, 64.5, 60.7, 50.6, 37.8, 32.0, 20.4, 19.6, 18.8, 11.4; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3075, 2945, 2867, 2146, 1665, 1463, 1384, 1346, 1307, 1201, 1126, 1074, 1044, 998, 950, 917, 883 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI+) m/z calc'd for C₂₃H₃₈O₃Si [M]⁺: 390.2590, found 390.2585; [α] $p^{19.1}$ +44.5° (*c* 1.03, CHCl₃).



(20) and (21). To a solution of 5 (159 mg, 0.41 mmol, 1.5 equiv) in Et₂O (4.2 mL), *t*-BuLi (0.63 mL 0.88 mmol, 3.2 equiv) was added dropwise at -78 °C. The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 30 min. A solution of 19 (107 mg, 0.27 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (2.7 mL) was added, and the mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 1 h. After addition of saturated aq NH₄Cl, the aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O. The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (9:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give the tertiary alcohol as a mixture of two diastereomers.

To a solution of this alcohol (147 mg, 0.23 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (2.3 mL), TBAF (0.27 mL, 1 M in THF, 1.2 equiv) was added at 25 °C. The mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 1 h. After addition of H₂O, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (8:1 \rightarrow 1:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give separated diastereomers **20** and **21** as colorless oils (104 mg, 77% yield, 2.2:1 dr).

20: $R_f = 0.31$ (7:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) & 7.29-7.27 (m, 2H), 6.87-6.85 (m, 2H), 6.14 (dddd, J = 17.0, 10.0, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (dd, J = 17.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.01-4.98 (m, 1H), 4.40 (ABq, J = 11.5 Hz, 2H), 4.00-3.87 (m, 6H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.35 (s, 1H), 2.63 (dd, J = 14.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.55-2.50 (m, 1H), 2.49 (s, 1H), 2.30 (ddd, J = 12.5, 12.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.22 (ddd, J = 12.5, 12.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.08-2.01 (m, 5H), 1.85-1.54 (m, 10H), 1.17 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) & 159.3, 138.4, 136.1, 131.2, 129.7, 128.3, 119.8, 115.8, 114.0, 87.6, 74.8, 71.9, 71.3, 70.0, 65.4, 64.5, 55.5, 54.0, 49.1, 41.5, 37.8, 31.3, 30.1, 28.3, 28.3, 23.3, 23.2, 22.7, 19.9; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3436, 3294, 3065, 2929, 2879, 2836, 1997, 1633, 1612, 1584, 1514, 1462, 1302, 1248, 1173, 1140, 1070, 1036, 1006, 949, 907, 821 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) *m*/*z* calc'd for C₃₁H₄₃O₅ [M+H]⁺: 495.3110, found 495.3133; [α] $\rho^{23.7}$ +6.4° (*c* 1.02, CHCl₃).

21: $R_f = 0.39$ (7:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29-7.26 (m, 2H), 6.88-6.86 (m, 2H), 6.16 (dddd, J = 17.0, 10.0, 7.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (dd, J = 17.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.99 (dd, J = 10.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (ABq, J = 11.5 Hz, 2H), 4.00-3.87 (m, 6H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.68 (dd, J = 14.5, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.52 (s, 1H), 2.52-2.48 (m, 1H), 2.45 (s, 1H), 2.34-2.25 (m, 2H), 2.12-1.96 (m, 5H), 1.90-1.85 (m, 1H), 1.80-1.57 (m, 9H), 1.06 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125)

MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.4, 138.4, 136.4, 131.0, 129.7, 128.4, 119.9, 116.1, 114.0, 86.4, 75.6, 74.4, 72.0, 70.1, 65.8, 64.2, 55.5, 55.3, 49.6, 42.5, 37.4, 31.8, 30.0, 28.6, 27.6, 23.3, 23.2, 23.0, 21.7; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3436, 3302, 2930, 2884, 2832, 1995, 1638, 1613, 1514, 1458, 1302, 1248, 1174, 1141, 1068, 1037, 1003, 951, 907 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) *m/z* calc'd for C₃₁H₄₃O₅ [M+H]⁺: 495.3110, found 495.3124; [α]p^{23.5} +32.3° (*c* 0.98, CHCl₃).



(22). To a solution of 20 (65 mg, 0.13 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (13 mL) and H₂O (1.3 mL) was added DDQ (45 mg, 0.20 mmol, 1.5 equiv). The mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 1 h. After addition of saturated aq NaHCO₃, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give the allylic alcohol as a colorless oil (37 mg, 75% yield). R_f = 0.11 (4:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.13 (dddd, *J* = 17.0, 10.0, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.05-4.98 (m, 2H), 4.11 (ABq, *J* = 11.5 Hz, 2H), 3.97-3.86 (m, 4H), 3.47 (br s, 1H), 2.62 (dd, *J* = 15.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (s, 1H), 2.52 (dd, *J* = 15.0, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (dddd, *J* = 12.5, 12.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 2.24 (ddd, *J* = 12.0, 12.0, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.14-1.99 (m, 5H), 1.88-1.54 (m, 11H), 1.16 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.3, 135.3, 130.7, 119.8, 115.9, 87.4, 75.0, 71.4, 65.4, 64.5, 63.1, 54.0, 49.2, 41.4, 37.7, 31.2, 29.9, 28.1, 28.1, 23.3, 23.3, 22.6, 19.9; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3401, 3304, 3070, 2919, 2884, 1995, 1724, 1636, 1459, 1434, 1377, 1318, 1274, 1246, 1217, 1176, 1138, 1070, 1038, 1003, 982, 937, 758 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) *m*/*z* calc'd for C₂₃H₃₅O₄ [M+H]⁺: 375.2535, found 375.2546; [α]p^{26.2} +12.5° (*c* 0.67, CHCl₃).

To a solution of the allylic alcohol (44 mg, 0.12 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.0 mL), pyridine (39 μ L, 0.48 mmol, 4.0 equiv) and Ac₂O (45 μ L, 0.48 mmol, 4.0 equiv) were added. The mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 24 h. After addition of H₂O, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic phases were washed with 10% aq HCl, saturated aq NaHCO₃ and brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (8:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give **22** as a colorless oil (46 mg, 94% yield). R_f = 0.28 (7:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.14 (dddd, J = 17.0, 10.0, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.06-4.98 (m, 2H), 4.59 (ABq, J = 11.5 Hz, 2H), 3.98-3.88 (m, 4H), 3.35 (s, 1H), 2.66-2.62 (m, 1H), 2.57 (s, 1H), 2.56-2.52 (m, 1H), 2.36-2.23 (m, 2H), 2.10-2.03 (m, 4H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 1.89-1.71 (m, 6H), 1.62-1.55 (m, 5H), 1.17 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.7, 138.3, 137.9, 126.1, 119.8, 115.9, 87.3, 75.0, 71.2, 65.4, 65.0, 64.5, 54.0, 49.2, 41.5, 37.7, 31.3, 30.1, 28.4, 28.1, 23.1, 23.0, 22.7, 21.4, 19.9; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3468, 3272, 3069, 2930, 2884, 1735, 1636, 1455, 1436, 1378, 1239, 1176, 1144, 1073, 1023, 952 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI+) *m*/*z* calc'd for C₂₃H₃₃O₃ [M-OAc]⁺: 357.2430, found 357.2440; [α]p^{28.0} +4.0° (*c* 0.62, CHCl₃).



(23) and (24). To a solution of 22 (43 mg, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in benzene (5 mL), 2,6-DTBP (0.14 mL 0.62 mmol, 6.0 equiv), MgBr₂•OEt₂ (107 mg, 0.41 mmol, 4.0 equiv) and MeCN (1.0 mL) were added, and the mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 2 d. After addition of brine, the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic phases were dried (Na_2SO_4) and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexanes \rightarrow 199:1 \rightarrow 99:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give 23 and 24 as a mixture of two diastereomers as a colorless oil (29 mg, 79% yield). $R_f = 0.45$ (99:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.23-6.13 (m, 1H), 5.19 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 0.5H), 5.02-4.92 (m, 2H), 4.88 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 0.5H), 4.67 (s, 1H), 3.97-3.86 (m, 4H), 2.56-2.34 (m, 4H), 2.24-1.23 (m, 16H), 1.11 (s, 1.5H), 1.04 (s, 1.5H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.2, 152.2, 138.6, 138.5, 120.5, 120.3, 115.5, 115.5, 106.2, 105.4, 88.0, 87.5, 87.3, 86.7, 80.7, 80.1, 74.5, 74.4, 65.9, 65.8, 64.1, 64.1, 55.3, 54.7, 48.8, 48.6, 42.0, 39.9, 38.7, 38.4, 38.4, 38.2, 35.0, 34.9, 34.9, 33.7, 31.7, 31.4, 28.1, 28.0, 25.2, 24.7, 22.0, 21.2, 20.9, 20.7; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3304, 3071, 2972, 2934, 2879, 2853, 1735, 1649, 1636, 1460, 1446, 1396, 1376, 1315, 1300, 1274, 1217, 1202, 1173, 1145, 1120, 1068, 1046, 1011, 947, 899 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) m/zcalc'd for C₂₃H₃₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 357.2430, found 357.2439.



(25) and (26). To a solution of 23 and 24 (24 mg, 0.067 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (6.5 mL), Grubbs 2nd generation catalyst (8.6 mg, 0.010 mmol, 15 mol%) was added. The mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 2 d. The solvent was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (99:1 \rightarrow 98:2 \rightarrow 9:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give 25 as a beige solid (8.2 mg, 37% yield) and 26 as a colorless oil (10.5 mg, 44% yield).

25: $R_f = 0.47$ (9:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.65 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (t, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.95-3.88 (m, 4H), 2.32-2.28 (m, 2H), 2.24-2.12 (m, 3H), 2.05-1.78 (m, 10H), 1.74-1.60 (m, 4H), 0.98 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 144.2, 137.3, 120.3, 120.1, 117.2, 81.4, 80.7, 65.6, 64.6, 51.0, 46.4, 39.8, 38.9, 35.5, 34.0, 31.7, 31.3, 26.1, 24.4, 23.1, 19.9; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 2919, 2858, 1995, 1727, 1465, 1451, 1427, 1375, 1310, 1279, 1259, 1202, 1175, 1158, 1098, 1070, 1024, 942, 912, 871 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) *m/z* calc'd for C₂₁H₂₉O₃ [M+H]⁺: 329.2117, found 329.2122; [α]D^{21.3} +176.8° (*c* 0.97, CHCl₃).

26: $R_f = 0.42$ (99:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.54 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 5.85 (t, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 5.35 (dd, J = 17.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (dd, J = 10.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (s, 1H), 3.92-3.87 (m, 4H), 2.43-2.38 (m, 1H), 2.34-2.24 (m, 2H), 2.16-2.05 (m, 3H), 2.02-1.60 (m, 11H), 1.54-1.48 (m, 2H), 0.96 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.8, 139.8, 136.7, 122.5, 120.5, 113.8, 105.3, 85.4, 84.4, 65.6, 64.6, 51.5, 46.3, 40.4, 36.4, 35.0, 34.0, 33.2, 31.2, 28.6, 24.4, 23.9, 20.9; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 2930, 2853, 1995, 1736, 1648, 1460, 1442, 1372, 1311, 1261, 1200, 1151, 1137, 1078, 1030, 1009, 946, 894 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) m/z calc'd for C₂₃H₃₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 357.2430, found 357.2445.



(SI3). To a solution of 21 (33 mg, 0.07 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (7.0 mL) and H_2O (0.7 mL), DDQ (23 mg, 0.10 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added. The mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 1 h. After addition of saturated aq NaHCO₃, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The

combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (4:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give the allylic alcohol as a colorless oil (19 mg, 76% yield). $R_f = 0.20$ (4:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.16 (dddd, J = 17.0, 10.0, 8.0, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.09-5.04 (m, 1H), 5.01-4.98 (m, 1H), 4.13 (ABq, J = 11.5 Hz, 2H), 3.95-3.86 (m, 4H), 2.68 (dd, J = 14.5, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (s, 1H), 2.52-2.47 (m, 1H), 2.42-2.32 (m, 1H), 2.31-2.14 (m, 1H), 2.13-1.91 (m, 5H), 1.90-1.55 (m, 12H), 1.07 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 138.3, 135.5, 130.8, 119.8, 116.4, 86.4, 75.7, 74.5, 65.8, 64.2, 63.2, 55.3, 49.6, 42.5, 37.3, 31.8, 29.9, 28.3, 27.5, 23.3, 23.2, 23.0, 21.6; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3402, 3305, 3072, 2919, 2884, 1718, 1635, 1459, 1436, 1377, 1320, 1276, 1246, 1216, 1176, 1138, 1070, 1039, 1002, 981, 952, 758 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) m/z calc'd for C₂₃H₃₅O₄ [M+H]⁺: 375.2535, found 375.2544; [α]p^{26.1} +38.6° (c 0.62, CHCl₃).

To a solution of the allylic alcohol (18 mg, 0.05 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (0.5 mL), pyridine (15 μ L, 0.19 mmol, 4.0 equiv) and Ac₂O (18 μ L, 0.19 mmol, 4.0 equiv) were added. The mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 21 h. After addition of H₂O, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic phases were washed with 10% aq HCl, saturated aq NaHCO₃ and brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (8:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give SI3 as a colorless oil (19 mg, 95% yield). $R_f = 0.34$ (7:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 6.17 (dddd, J = 18.0, 10.0, 8.0, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.08-5.04 (m, 1H), 5.01-4.99 (m, 1H), 4.60 (ABq, J = 12.0 Hz, 2H), 3.96-3.87 (m, 4H), 2.69 (dd, J = 14.5, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (s, 1H), 2.54-2.49 (m, 1H), 2.41 (s, 1H), 2.34 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.12 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 2.06 (s, 3H),2.05-2.02 (m, 4H), 1.92-1.68 (m, 6H), 1.68-1.57 (m, 4H), 1.08 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) & 171.7, 138.3, 138.0, 126.2, 119.8, 116.3, 86.1, 75.8, 74.4, 65.8, 65.0, 64.2, 55.2, 49.6, 42.6, 37.4, 31.8, 30.1, 28.3, 27.7, 23.1, 22.7, 22.7, 21.6, 21.4; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3481, 3303, 3071, 2924, 2856, 1736, 1636, 1461, 1436, 1378, 1318, 1239, 1177, 1143, 1075, 1024, 953 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI+) m/z calc'd for C₂₃H₃₃O₃ [M-OAc]⁺: 357.2430, found 357.2426; $[\alpha]_{D^{27.9}}$ +44.6° (*c* 0.42, CHCl₃).



(SI4) and (SI5). To a solution of SI3 (31 mg, 0.08 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in benzene (4 mL), 2,6-DTBP (0.10 mL, 0.45 mmol, 6.0 equiv), MgBr₂•OEt₂ (77 mg, 0.30 mmol, 4.0 equiv) and MeCN (0.6 mL) were added, and the mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 2 d. After addition of brine, the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic phases were dried (Na_2SO_4) and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (99:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give SI4 and SI5 as a mixture of two diastereomers as a colorless oil (22 mg, 83% yield). $R_f = 0.46$ (99:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 6.20 (dddd, J = 17.0, 10.0, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 0.4H), 5.02-4.91 (m, 2.6H), 4.71 (s, 0.4H), 4.65 (s, 0.6H), 3.97-3.86 (m, 4H), 2.75-2.71 (m, 1H), 2.60-2.54 (m, 1H), 2.47 (s, 0.4H), 2.47 (s, 0.6H), 2.42-2.36 (m, 1H), 2.21-1.29 (m, 16H), 1.12 (s, 1.2H), 1.07 (s, 1.8H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.9, 152.4, 138.9, 138.8, 120.0, 119.9, 115.1, 115.1, 106.6, 106.0, 87.9, 87.7, 87.5, 87.1, 81.5, 81.5, 74.7, 74.6, 65.7, 65.7, 64.3, 64.2, 57.2, 56.4, 49.3, 49.3, 42.1, 41.9, 41.6, 40.6, 37.8, 37.5, 34.9, 34.8, 34.5, 33.8, 32.4, 32.4, 28.1, 27.9, 25.2, 24.6, 23.0, 22.9, 22.0, 21.9; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3302, 3070, 2972, 2935, 2879, 2858, 1649, 1636, 1459, 1446, 1396, 1375, 1298, 1243, 1174, 1137, 1105, 1075, 1050, 1002, 950, 899 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) m/z calc'd for C₂₃H₃₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 357.2430, found 357.2426.



(SI6) and (27). To a solution of SI4 and SI5 (20 mg, 0.056 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (2.8 mL), Grubbs 2nd generation catalyst (7 mg, 0.008 mmol, 15 mol%) was added. The mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 2 d. The solvent was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (99:1 \rightarrow 98:2 \rightarrow 9:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give SI6 as a white solid (6.7 mg, 36% yield) and 27 as a colorless oil (8.3 mg, 42% yield).

SI6: $R_f = 0.42$ (9:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.65 (s, 1H), 5.34 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 3.91-3.88 (m, 4H), 2.31-2.25 (m, 2H), 2.18-2.05 (m, 4H), 1.96-1.70 (m, 10H), 1.61-1.48 (m, 3H), 1.03 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 143.2, 139.8, 120.1, 119.7,

118.2, 83.4, 79.5, 65.6, 64.6, 49.5, 46.1, 37.4, 35.5, 34.3, 34.0, 31.7, 30.1, 26.2, 24.4, 24.2, 19.5; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 2924, 2853, 1995, 1726, 1623, 1461, 1377, 1310, 1259, 1153, 1072, 1055, 946, 907 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) m/z calc'd for C₂₁H₂₈O₃ [M]⁺: 328.2039, found 328.2038; [α]p^{24.3} –159.9° (*c* 0.90, CHCl₃).

27: $R_f = 0.42$ (99:1 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.43 (ddd, J = 17.0, 11.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.92 (dd, J = 5.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.35 (dd, J = 17.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (dd, J = 11.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.69 (s, 1H), 3.96-3.85 (m, 4H), 2.44-2.39 (m, 1H), 2.26 (dd, J = 12.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.15-2.01 (m, 3H), 1.97-1.82 (m, 4H), 1.80-1.73 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.65 (m, 2H), 1.61-1.52 (m, 2H), 1.50-1.43 (m, 2H), 1.31-1.25 (m, 2H), 1.15 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.1, 138.0, 137.0, 124.4, 120.4, 114.2, 105.5, 85.7, 83.0, 65.6, 64.8, 50.2, 44.7, 40.8, 34.9, 34.3, 33.9, 33.2, 31.0, 28.5, 24.7, 23.8, 19.4; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3079, 2932, 2876, 2858, 1736, 1648, 1619, 1460, 1446, 1374, 1317, 1305, 1263, 1200, 1152, 1087, 1068, 1055, 1021, 1009, 950, 893, 755 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) *m*/*z* calc'd for C₂₃H₃₃O₃ [M+H]⁺: 357.2430, found 357.2429; [α]p^{24.2} +3.1° (*c* 0.93, CHCl₃).



(29). To a solution of 27 (31 mg, 0.09 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in acetone (0.9 mL) was added H₂O (2.4 μ L, 0.13 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and *p*-TsOH (3.3 mg, 0.02 mmol, 0.2 equiv) at 25 °C. The mixture was stirred at 25°C for 15 h, and the solvent was concentrated. After addition of EtOAc, the organic phase was washed with saturated aq NaHCO₃, H₂O and brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (99:1 \rightarrow 98:2 hexanes/EtOAc) to afford the desired product that was used directly in the next step.

To the resulting ketone (15 mg, 0.05 mmol, 1.0 equiv) dissolved in MeOH/H₂O (3 mL, 5:1) was added NaOAc (38 mg, 0.45 mmol, 10 equiv) and NH₂OH•H₂O (34 mg, 0.49 mmol, 11 equiv) at 25 °C. The mixture was stirred at 25°C for 14 h, and the solvent was concentrated. After addition of H₂O, the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄) and filtered. The filtrate

was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (5:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give **28**.

To a solution of oxime 28 (14 mg, 0.04 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (0.4 mL), pbromobenzoylchloride (11 mg, 0.05 mmol, 1.2 equiv), DMAP (1 mg, 0.01 mmol, 0.2 equiv), and Et₃N (12 μ L, 0.08 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were added at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 2 h. After addition of saturated ag NH₄Cl, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (99:1 \rightarrow 98:2 \rightarrow 95:5 hexanes/EtOAc) to give **29** as a white solid (20 mg, 95% yield). M.P.: 91-93 °C from ethyl acetate/heptane; $R_f = 0.38$ (95:5 hexanes/EtOAc); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.91-7.88 (m, 2H), 7.60-7.57 (m, 2H), 6.43 (ddd, J = 17.0, 10.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.89 (dd, J = 5.5, 2.0Hz, 1H), 5.37 (dd, J = 17.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (dd, J = 11.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (s, 1H), 2.83 (dd, J = 19.5, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.67-2.60 (m, 1H), 2.43-2.38 (m, 1H), 2.25 (dd, J = 13.0, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.20 (d, J = 19.0 Hz, 1H), 2.13-2.01 (m, 4H), 1.96-1.75 (m, 4H),1.71-1.61 (m, 2H), 1.58 (s, 3H), 1.54-1.41 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 180.7, 163.5, 154.1, 138.8, 136.4, 132.1, 131.3, 128.6, 128.5, 122.4, 115.0, 105.4, 85.9, 81.8, 53.3, 44.3, 40.8, 34.8, 34.4, 33.9, 32.5, 28.5, 27.4, 24.5, 24.5, 22.4; IR (Neat Film NaCl) 3079, 2932, 2855, 1746, 1648, 1590, 1483, 1447, 1398, 1379, 1320, 1254, 1174, 1069, 1011, 906, 875, 750, 732 cm⁻¹; HRMS (FAB+) m/z calc'd for C₂₈H₃₃BrO₃N [M+H]⁺: 510.1644, found 510.1644; $[\alpha]_{D}^{22.9}$ +30.4° (*c* 0.90, CHCl₃).

The compound was recrystallized from ethyl acetate/heptane to provide crystals suitable for x-ray analysis.



Note: Crystallographic data have been deposited at the CCDC, 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK and copies can be obtained on request, free of charge, by quoting the publication citation and the deposition number 751261.

Table 3. Crystal data and structure refinement for CCB02 (751261).

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Empirical formula	$C_{28}H_{32}NO_3Br$	Sec. 1
Formula weight	510.46	1
Crystallization Solvent	Ethyl acetate/heptane	-
Crystal Habit	Plate	- Lover
Crystal size	0.43 x 0.29 x 0.06 mm ³	1
Crystal color	Colorless	
Data Coll	lection	
Type of diffractometer	Bruker KAPPA APEX II	
Wavelength	0.71073 Å MoKα	
Data Collection Temperature	100(2) K	
θ range for 9936 reflections used in lattice determination	2.45 to 29.34°	
Unit cell dimensions		80(3)°
Volume	2484.1(2) Å ³	
Z	4	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P2 ₁	
Density (calculated)	1.365 Mg/m ³	
F(000)	1064	
Data collection program	Bruker APEX2 v2.1-0	
θ range for data collection	1.78 to 29.74°	
Completeness to $\theta = 29.74^{\circ}$	92.7 %	
Index ranges	$-15 \le h \le 15, -9 \le k \le 8, -45 \le l \le 45$	
Data collection scan type	ω scans; 12 settings	
Data reduction program	Bruker SAINT-Plus v7.34A	
Reflections collected	36895	
Independent reflections	12339 [R _{int} = 0.0299]	
Absorption coefficient	1.684 mm ⁻¹	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	0.7459 and 0.6043	

Structure solution and Refinement

Structure solution program	SHELXS-97 (Sheldrick, 2008)
Primary solution method	Direct methods

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Difference Fourier map
Difference Fourier map
SHELXL-97 (Sheldrick, 2008)
Full matrix least-squares on F ²
12339 / 1 / 851
Unrestrained
1.004
R1 = 0.0294, wR2 = 0.0515
R1 = 0.0387, wR2 = 0.0534
Sigma
$w=1/\sigma^2(\text{Fo}^2)$
0.004
0.000
Anomalous differences
0.010(3)
0.567 and -0.323 e.Å ⁻³

Special Refinement Details

Crystals were mounted on a glass fiber using Paratone oil then placed on the diffractometer under a nitrogen stream at 100K.

Refinement of F^2 against ALL reflections. The weighted R-factor (wR) and goodness of fit (S) are based on F^2 , conventional R-factors (R) are based on F, with F set to zero for negative F^2 . The threshold expression of $F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)$ is used only for calculating R-factors(gt) etc. and is not relevant to the choice of reflections for refinement. R-factors based on F^2 are statistically about twice as large as those based on F, and Rfactors based on ALL data will be even larger.

All esds (except the esd in the dihedral angle between two l.s. planes) are estimated using the full covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account individually in the estimation of esds in distances, angles and torsion angles; correlations between esds in cell parameters are only used when they are defined by crystal symmetry. An approximate (isotropic) treatment of cell esds is used for estimating esds involving l.s. planes.

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Experimental Spectra





Figure 1.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of bromide 10.



Figure 1.3 13 C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) of bromide **10**.







Figure 2.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of diene 11.



Figure 2.3 13 C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) of diene **11**.









Figure 3.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of iodide 5.



Figure 3.3 13 C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of iodide **5**.









Figure 4.2 13 C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of alcohol 7.







Figure 5.2 Infrared spectrum (thin film/NaCl) of compound SI1



Figure 5.3 ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound **SI1**.









Figure 6.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of nitrile 15.



Figure 6.3 13 C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of nitrile **15**.






Figure 7.2 Infrared spectrum (thin film/NaCl) of compound SI2.



Figure 7.3 ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound **SI2**.

Figure 8.1 ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) of ketal 17.





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Figure 8.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of ketal 17.



Figure 8.3 13 C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of ketal **17**.







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Figure 9.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of ynone 19.



Figure 9.3 13 C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of ynone **19**.

mdd - \sim Figure 10.1 ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound 20. e 4 ഹ 9 ~ 20 1 ø PMBO Б

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Figure 10.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of compound 20.



Figure 10.3 13 C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound **20**.





Figure 11.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of compound 21.



Figure 11.3 ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound **21**.





Figure 12.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of compound 22.



Figure 12.3 ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound **22**.





Figure 13.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of compounds 23 and 24.



Figure 13.3 ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of compounds **23** and **24**.







Figure 14.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of compound 25.



Figure 14.3 ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound **25**.



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Figure 15.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of compound 26.



Figure 15.3 13 C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound **26**. S54







Figure 16.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of compound SI3.



Figure 16.3 ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound **SI3**.

Figure 17.1 ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) of compounds SI4 and SI5.





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Figure 17.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of compounds SI4 and SI5.



Figure 17.3 ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of compounds **SI4** and **SI5**.







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Figure 18.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of compound SI6.



Figure 18.3 ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound **SI6**.





Figure 19.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of compound 27.



Figure 19.3 13 C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound **27**.

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Figure 20.1 ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound 29.

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Figure 20.2 Infrared spectrum (Neat Film NaCl) of compound 29.



Figure 20.3 13 C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) of compound **29**.

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