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ABSTRACT

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Vicinal dithioethers and alkenyl thioethers were synthesized under environmentally friendly conditions using alkyne and thiol in water. Alkynes were also used to develop a multibond-forming reaction that formed cyclic ketones or ketoesters through a gold-catalyzed intramolecular oxygen transfer isomerization of 2-alkynyl-1,5-diketones or 2-alkynyl-5-ketoesters.

The investigation of Selectfluor chemistry yielded a highly stereoselective synthesis of fluoroalky (E)-α,β-unsaturated ketones from allenyl esters, through a gold-catalyzed rearrangement that produced an intermediate dienyl ester. When Selectfluor was combined with copper, it produced two oxidative systems, F-TEDA-BF$_4$ and F-TEDA-PF$_6$, both of which efficiently converted amides into imides at room temperature in short time, but whereas the former employed stoichiometric amounts of copper(I), the latter only needed catalytic amounts.

The bioassay-directed fractionation of Physalis angulata L. afforded three new antiproliferative withanolides: physangulidines A, B and C. Each has shown significant
cytotoxic activity (GI_{50} is less than 4\mu g/mL) on DU145 and RWPE-1 in vitro. In addition, compared to positive drug 5-fluorouracil, physangulidine A had significant cytotoxic activity on different cells. The bioassay-guided fractionation of Cremastosperma microcarpum led to the isolation and identification of dehydrodiisoeugenol as its main cytotoxic agent. Lastly, selected fractions of Hyptis lantanaefolia have shown promising cytotoxic activities; with one of semipurified chromatographic fraction (LHL15) exhibiting very high bioactivity on various cell lines (IC_{50} is lower than 50 ng/mL).
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1. OVERVIEW OF THIS DISSERTATION

1.1. Alkyne and Fluorine Chemistry

Alkyne is an important synthon in organic chemistry, as demonstrated by the many examples of elegant synthetic work centered on alkynes.\(^1\) The Hammond group has dedicated much of their efforts to explore the chemistry of alkynes.\(^2\) Of more relevance to the work presented herein, members of the Hammond group have recently reported a cationic gold-catalyzed functionalized hydration of alkynes (Scheme 1).\(^3\)

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\text{Scheme 1. Gold Catalyzed Functionalized Hydration of Alkynes}
\]

Various types of alkynes were hydrated to give \(\alpha\)-substituted \(\alpha\)-fluorinated ketones using boronic acid, Selectfluor and trace amount of water in the presence of a cationic gold catalyst. The synthetic work contained in this dissertation is centered around alkynes and Selectfluor. This work (Scheme 2) includes the synthesis of vicinal dithioesters and alkenyl thioesters via a new environmentally friendly use of alkynes and thiols in water; the gold-catalyzed intramolecular oxygen transfer reaction of 2-alkynyl-1,5-diketones or 2-alkynyl-5-diketoesters; and the stereoselective synthesis of fluoroalkyl \(E\)-\(\alpha,\beta\)-
unsaturated ketones via gold-catalyzed rearrangement of allenyl carbinol ester followed by fluorination. Finally, two new oxidative systems containing Selectfluor have been investigated, namely the combination of CuBr (stoichiometric amounts) with excess Selectfluor (F-TEDA-BF₄), and the combination of catalytic CuBr with excess F-TEDA-PF₆—the anionic exchange product of Selectfluor. Both combinations can efficiently oxidize amides into imides at room temperature.

A. Alkyne Chemistry

B. Selectfluor Chemistry

Scheme 2. Outline of Alkyne and Selectfluor Chemistry
1.2. Natural Products Research

Nature as source for drugs and inspiration for the development of front-line drugs is indisputable if one considers that more than 75% of the world's population, especially in developing countries, rely on medicinal plants as primary source of medicinal care, and that around 50% of the total new chemical entities launched onto the market in the last 25 years are natural products or natural products analogs.

In order to demonstrate the medicinal value of natural products, a multidisciplinary and international group of scientists led by Professors Abraham J. Vaisberg (Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia), Walter H. Lewis (Washington University, St. Louis), and Gerardo Lamas (Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos), under the auspices of the International Cooperative Biodiversity Group (ICBG) project--funded by a consortium of the following agencies, NIH, USAID, and NSF--embarked on an ethnobotanical study of Peruvian medicinal plants, guided by members of the Aguaruna community. The Aguaruna are one of the four tribes that constitute the Jivaro linguistic family, living in the upper Amazon basin and adjacent foothills of the eastern Andes Mountains of northern Peru and nearby Ecuador. Northern Peru, particularly the eastern slopes of the Andes Mountains and adjacent upper Amazon basin, is exceedingly rich in diverse woody plants. Only a small percentage (~2%) of these Peruvian species have been investigated chemically and/or biologically, and it is estimated that over 2000 plants in the Amazon region are used in traditional medicine. Since the early 1990's this group has collected 3591 plants, with, 1600 of them being rare or medicinal plants. Our group has isolated numerous bioactive agents from targeted plant through a bioassay-
guided fractionation, then built library of drug candidates around them by synthesizing derivatives of the bioactive agents.

This dissertation includes our results on 13 plant species collected in the Amazonian rain forest. Trans-dehydrodiisoeugenol was isolated as the main cytotoxic agent present in *Cremastosperma microcarpum* (Annonaceae) by bioassay-directed isolation. Similarly, three new antiproliferative withanolides with an unusual carbon framework, namely, physangulidines A, B and C were isolated and characterized from *Physalis angulata* (Solanaceae) (Figure 1). We have also found that selected fractions of *Hyptis lantanaefolia* (Lamiaceae) have promising cytotoxic activities; one of its semipurified chromatographic fraction (LHL15) has shown extremely high cytotoxic activity on different cell lines (IC<sub>50</sub> is lower than 50 ng/mL). *Hyptis lantanaefolia*, together with *Bocconia intengrifolia* (Papaveraceae), are currently under investigation.

![Chemical structures](image)

**Figure 1. Outline of Natural Products Chemistry**
2. EXPLORATION OF ALKYNE CHEMISTRY

2.1. Environmentally Friendly Addition of Thiols to Alkynes

2.1.1 Background

Organosulfur compounds have become increasingly important as the role of sulfur is probed deeper in biological processes, new materials, and chemical synthesis.\textsuperscript{9} As a result, the synthesis of organosulfur compounds has attracted much attention.\textsuperscript{10} Specifically, vicinal dithioethers and alkenyl thioethers have been widely used as target or intermediates. For example, vicinal dithioethers have been used as ligands for zirconium or titanium complexes for alkene polymerization and hydroamination.\textsuperscript{11}

Vicinal dithioethers can be made by nucleophilic substitutions,\textsuperscript{11b,11d} or nucleophilic ring-opening reaction of thiolate.\textsuperscript{11a,11c,11e} Vicinal dithioethers can also be prepared from an alkene and a disulfide under acid or metals catalysis.\textsuperscript{12} Hydroelementation is a versatile and atom-efficient method for installing heteroelements to unsaturated carbon-carbon bonds.\textsuperscript{13} Therefore, one of the most straightforward methods to make vicinal dithioethers is the dihydrothiolation of an alkyne. Under controlled conditions, monohydrothiolation of alkynes could yield alkenyl thioethers (Scheme 3). There are reports on the preparation of vicinal dithioethers from alkynes and thiols in organic solvents\textsuperscript{14} using various radical initiators, and/or heating or UV light. The use of water as solvent has also been reported
by Oshima and coworkers, who isolated the vicinal dithioether as a side product, during their investigation of thiol-yne radical reactions in water assisted by a water-soluble radical initiator. In all these literature syntheses, there are detracting experimental limitations, including the use of metal catalysts, high temperatures or radical initiators, and organic solvent. The addition of thiols to alkenes has been used in the synthesis of dendrimers (so called 'thiol-ene click' chemistry). The spectrum of application of these dendrimers, ranging from medicine to nanoengineering should spur the development of novel and efficient synthesis of macromolecules. In this chapter we report an atom-economical and 'green' synthesis of vicinal dithioketals from the reaction of alkyne and thiol without the use of metal catalysts or radical initiators, and using water as the sole solvent. Furthermore, this method can also be used for regio- and stereo-selective monohydrothiolation of propargyl alcohols, which leads to an effective synthesis of alkenyl thioethers with exclusive E-selectivity.

Scheme 3. Synthesis of Vicinal Dithioracetals and Alkenyl Thioethers from Alkynes and Thiols

2.1.2 Scope of the Aqueous Dihydrothiolation of Alkynes

We used the reaction of 1-hexyne and 4-methylbenzenethiol as our model reaction (Table 1). While THF, MeOH, H₂O, individually or as a mixture, or non-solvent conditions gave
good results, traditional organic solvents, such as CH$_3$CN, CH$_2$Cl$_2$ and toluene, were not satisfactory.

Table 1. Effect of Solvents on Dihydrothiolation of Alkyne 2-1-1a.$^a$

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<td>2</td>
<td>CH$_2$Cl$_2$</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Toluene</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>MeOH</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>H$_2$O:MeOH (4:1)</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>H$_2$O</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>No solvent</td>
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$^a$ 2-1-1a (1 mmol), 2-1-2a (2.4 mmol) and solvent (0.5 mL) reacted for 24 h at r.t.

$^b$ Determined by $^1$HNMR, benzyl bromide (0.4 mmol) as internal standard.

Considering both, chemical yields and the increasing environmental consciousness of the scientific community, we chose water as the ideal reaction media. It is surprising that water was found to be the best solvent for the reaction considering that both starting material and product are virtually insoluble in water. According to Sharpless and co-workers,$^{18}$ reaction rates can be accelerated when insoluble reactants were stirred in aqueous suspension, denoted as "on water" conditions. Thus, this reaction could be considered as an 'on water' reaction. With optimized conditions in hand, we examined the scope of this dihydrothiolation reaction; the results are summarized in Table 2.
Table 2. Dihydrothiolation of Alkyne 2-1-1.\textsuperscript{a}

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<th>Alkyne 2-1-1</th>
<th>Thiol 2-1-2</th>
<th>Temp</th>
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\textsuperscript{a}Alkyne 2-1-1 (1 mmol), thiol 2-1-2 (2.4 mmol) and deionized water (0.5 mL), reacted at indicated temperature for 24 h. \textsuperscript{b}Isolated yields.

1-Hexyne and aryl thiols reacted smoothly (entries 1, 2 and 3). The reaction of functionalized terminal alkynes, such as methyl propargyl ether and 4-pentyn-1-ol, with
an aryl thiol also gave good to excellent yields (entries 4 and 5). However, propargyl alcohol and 2-hexyne reacted with 4-chlorothiophenol to produce moderate yields of 2-1-3 (entries 6 and 7). The low yield in entry 8 is probably due to the volatility of the substrate, as higher molecular weight alkynes reacted effectively with aliphatic thiols under mild heating (entries 9 and 10).

Unfortunately, under our conditions, phenylacetylene and other internal alkynes reacted with thiols to give only the monohydrothiolation product. Upon further investigation, we found that aryl thiols are more reactive than aliphatic thiols; electron withdrawing chlorine accelerates the dihydrothiolation, and weak electron donating groups slow the reaction. The observed reaction rates follow this order: 4-chlorothiophenol > thiophenol > 4-methylbenzenthiol. Strong electron withdrawing groups, such as nitro, methyl ester and carboxylic acid, on the para position of thiophenol hinder the reaction. This may be related to their ease of emulsification, as 4-nitrothiophenol, 4-mercaptobenzoic acid and 4-mercaptobenzoic acid methyl ester do not form an emulsion with alkynes, whereas the thiol in Table 2 readily formed an emulsion with alkyne in water upon stirring.

Our mechanistic studies hinted that the reaction probably proceeded through a radical mechanism, because no reaction occurred in the presence of galvinoxyl free radical (1.1 equiv to thiol). The possibility of a nucleophilic addition could be ruled out since nucleophilic dihydrothiolation of alkynes normally gives thioacetals. Furthermore, small amounts of disulfide (less than 5% yield based on thiol), formed from the homocoupling of thiolate radical, were observed in the course of this study, which is consistent with the proposed radical mechanism. Furthermore, no hydration product was
found in the reaction mixture. The radical initiator could be dioxygen in the air or light since reaction, done in dark area, gave low yield (entry 1 in Table 2, gave 30%). The specific role of the solvent is not clear at this time, it seems water has some ability to stabilize the radical intermediate and therefore facilitates the radical-mediated reaction. A literature report\textsuperscript{22} speculated that a hydrogen bond between thiol and water could enable a nucleophilic addition to the alkene.

### 2.1.3 Regio- and Stereo-selective Monohydrothiolation of Non-Terminal Propargyl Alcohols

While investigating dihydrothiolation conditions for non-terminal propargyl alcohols (e.g. 2-1-1g), we found, to our surprise, that only the monohydrothiolation product was obtained, and this reaction proceeded in a regio- and stereo-selective manner. The thiol only attacked the carbon next to the alcohol and only the $E$-isomer was isolated. The reaction scope is shown in Table 3. But-2-yn-1-01 and 4-chlorothiophenol gave a moderate yield of product with high stereoselectivity (entry 1). Similarly, 2-1-1h reacted with three different thiophenols in moderate to high yields with high $E$-selectivity (entries 2-4). Entry 5 also showed satisfactory yield and stereoselectivity. Reaction of secondary alcohols (2-1-1j and 2-1-1k) with thiophenols gave satisfactory yields and excellent stereoselectivity (entries 6-9), while tertiary propargyl alcohol 2-1-1l gave very high stereoselectivity (100\% $E$), albeit in low yield (entry 10). Reaction of 2-1-1m and 4-chlorothiophenol 2-1-2e was also highly stereoselective (entry 11).
Table 3. Regio and Stereoselective Monohydrothiolation of Propargyl Alcohols. a

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Entry</th>
<th>Alkyne 2-1-1</th>
<th>Thiol 2-1-2</th>
<th>Product 2-1-4</th>
<th>Yield b</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>2-1-1g</td>
<td>Cl-2-1-2c</td>
<td>2-1-4a</td>
<td>53 (E/Z = 9:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>2-1-1h</td>
<td>Cl-2-1-2c</td>
<td>2-1-4b</td>
<td>76 (E/Z = 9:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>2-1-1h</td>
<td>2-1-2b</td>
<td>2-1-4c</td>
<td>66 (E/Z = 12.5:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>2-1-1h</td>
<td>2-1-2a</td>
<td>2-1-4d</td>
<td>58 (E/Z = 12.5:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>2-1-1h</td>
<td>2-1-2b</td>
<td>2-1-4e</td>
<td>77 (E/Z = 12.5:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>2-1-1j</td>
<td>Cl-2-1-2c</td>
<td>2-1-4f</td>
<td>64 (E/Z = 17:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>2-1-1j</td>
<td>2-1-2a</td>
<td>2-1-4g</td>
<td>63 (E/Z = 17:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>2-1-1k</td>
<td>Cl-2-1-2c</td>
<td>2-1-4h</td>
<td>76 (E/Z = 17:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>2-1-1k</td>
<td>2-1-2a</td>
<td>2-1-4i</td>
<td>70 (E/Z = 20:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>2-1-1h</td>
<td>2-1-2b</td>
<td>2-1-4j</td>
<td>17 (E/Z = 100:0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11</td>
<td>2-1-1m</td>
<td>Cl-2-1-2c</td>
<td>2-1-4k</td>
<td>65 (E/Z = 100:0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12</td>
<td>2-1-1n</td>
<td>2-1-2a</td>
<td>2-1-4l</td>
<td>42 (E/Z = 100:0)</td>
</tr>
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<td>13</td>
<td>2-1-1s</td>
<td>2-1-2b</td>
<td>2-1-4m</td>
<td>44 (E/Z = 50:1)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

a Alkyne 2-1-1 (1 mmol), thiol 2-1-2 (1.2 mmol) and deionized water (0.25 mL) reacted at r.t. for 12 h.

b Isolated yield, E and Z were determined by NOESY study.
In entries 12 and 13, we investigated substrates having a phenyl group; both of them, without exception, reacted with aryl thiols to give products with very high stereoselectivity. Stereochemistry of alkenyl thiolethers (2-1-4) was determined by NOSEY study, and selected NOSEY spectra of 2-1-4c is shown in Figure 2, which showing that Stereochemistry of 2-1-4c is mainly E.

Figure 2. NOSEY Spectra of 2-1-4c

During this study, we also found that alkyl thiols are not effective under these conditions, and terminal alkynes, such as propargyl alcohol, overreacted with thiophenol to give dihydrothiolation products (Table 2). Regio- and stereo-selective monohydrothiolation was observed only with non-terminal propargyl alcohols, even with excess thiol in water. While the monohydrothiolation of non-terminal propargyl alcohol with thiol has been
studied before, our mild reaction conditions showed distinctive regio- and stereoselectivity for a wider range of substrates. A case in point is the base mediated nucleophilic addition of thiol to propargyl alcohol (Scheme 4, top) that yields the trans adduct product, Z-alkenyl thioether or a mixture of Z and E- alkenyl thioethers.

\[
\begin{align*}
R^1\equiv\text{OH} & \quad + \quad R^2\text{SH} & \xrightarrow{\text{Base}} & \quad R^1\equiv\text{S-R}^2 \\
R^1 \neq \text{H} & \quad R^2 = \text{alkyl, aryl} & & \text{Z isomer}
\end{align*}
\]

Scheme 4. Nucleophilic and Radical Additions of Thiol to Propargyl Alcohols

And, addition of a thiol, using a radical initiator, usually affords a mixture of Z (predominant) and E-alkenyl thioethers (Scheme 4, bottom).

The reason for the high regio and stereoselectivity of 2-1-4 can be explained by the relative stability of vinyl radical intermediates (Scheme 5, top). The vinyl radical intermediates C and D are higher in energy than A and B (Gaussian 03, UB3LYP/6-311+G(d)). This can explain why the thiol always attacks the carbon next to hydroxymethyl group. The stereoselectivity outcome of 2-1-4 may be explained by steric effects and the isomerization of vinyl radical A to B. It is widely accepted that a hydrogen donor can approach from the less hindered side of the vinyl radical.
The bulkiness of hydroxymethyl group in radical A may hinder the approach of the hydrogen donor (thiol) to form a Z-isomer (Scheme 5, bottom) (Note: hydroxyl methyl group is bulkier than thiol ester group, because bond length between sp² and sp³ carbons is 150 pm²⁵ and bond length between sp² carbon and sulfur is 175 pm²⁶). However, the thiol can easily approach the less hindered side of the vinyl radical B to produce the E-isomer. As a result, radical A may slowly isomerize to radical B. This is consistent with the fact that the bulkier the hydroxyalkyl, the higher the stereoselectivity observed (Table 3). And, the mild conditions (room temperature/water as solvent) minimized the
isomerization of the final product. This is in contrast with literature reports in which isomerization may occur at high temperature (Scheme 5, bottom).\textsuperscript{23j,k}

Alkenyl thioesters have already demonstrated their utility.\textsuperscript{27} Compound 2-1-4 can be used in further transformations; for example, the free hydroxyl group in 2-1-4 can be protected to give 2-1-5, and 2-1-4 can be easily oxidized to sulfone 2-1-6 with \textit{m}-CPBA (Scheme 6). Both 2-1-5 and 2-1-6 have been used in nickel catalyzed cross-coupling reactions with Grignard reagents\textsuperscript{28} or organozinc reagents\textsuperscript{29} to give functionalized allylic alcohols, which are important intermediates in total synthesis\textsuperscript{30} and methodology.\textsuperscript{31}

\begin{center}
\textbf{Scheme 6. Synthetic Transformations of Alkenyl Thioethers}
\end{center}

\textbf{2.1.4 Summary}

We have found that a wide range of alkynes react with excess thiols to give vicinal dithioethers under mild condition using only water as solvent, without radical initiator or UV light sources. Alternatively, non-terminal propargyl alcohols reacted with phenyl thiols in water to produce \textit{E}-alkenyl thioethers in highly regio- and stereo-selective fashion. Considering the mild conditions of our reaction, it could have great potential in the preparation of highly branched dendrimers, and as linkers incorporating fluorescence tags in biological applications.
2.1.5 Experimental Section

General

Substrates 2-1-1m and 2-1-1o were prepared using a literature method.\textsuperscript{32} Other substrates and reagents were commercially obtained from Alfa or Adrich, and were used without further purification. Structures were identified by NMR spectra, assisted by elemental analysis or/and IR spectra. \textsuperscript{1}H and \textsuperscript{13}C NMR spectra were recorded at 500 and 125 MHz, respectively, using CDCl\textsubscript{3} as solvent. The chemical shifts were reported in \( \delta \) (ppm) value relative to CDCl\textsubscript{3} (7.26 ppm for \textsuperscript{1}H NMR and 77.0 for \textsuperscript{13}C NMR), and multiplicities are indicated by s (for singlet), d (doublet), dd (double doublet), m (multiplet), and br (broad). Coupling constant, \( J \), was reported in Hz. Elemental analysis was performed at Atlantic Microlabs Inc., Norcross, Georgia 30091. Melting points were measured using a DigiMelt PMA 160 melting point apparatus.

Typical procedure for preparation of 2-1-1m and 2-1-1o

To oven dried 10 mL reaction flask containing 1-Hexyne (340 \( \mu L \), 3.0 mmol), anhydrous THF (5.0 mL) and stir bar at -78 °C, n-Butyl lithium (3.0 mmol) was added over 5 min by syringe, and slowly warm up to room temperature and stirred for another 2 h. Then benzaldehyde (306 \( \mu L \), 3.0 mmol) was added into the above reaction mixture by syringe, and stirred at room temperature for 2 h. The reaction mixture was quenched by saturated ammonium chloride (20 mL) and followed by diethyl ether extraction (25 mL×4). The ether layers were combined and dried over anhydrous Na\textsubscript{2}SO\textsubscript{4}, filtered and evaporated under reduced pressure to yield amide 2-1-1o (526.0 mg, 93 %).
General procedure for dihydrothiolation (of monohydrothiolation) of alkynes

To a reaction flask containing a stir bar, alkyne (1 mmol), thiol (2.4 mmol, or 1.2 mmol for monohydrothiolation), deionized water (0.5 mL, 0.25 mL for monohydrothiolation) was added, and the resulting mixture was sealed and stirred for 24 h (12 h for monohydrothiolation) at the indicated temperature. Then the mixture was subjected to silica gel column chromatography using gradient elution from hexane to a mixture of hexane: ethyl acetate (10:1) to get final pure product 2-1-3 (or 2-1-4).

1,2-Bis(p-tolylsulfanyl)hexane (2-1-3a)

\[
\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{26}\text{S}_{2} (330.2): \text{Calcd. C 72.67, H 7.93; Found C 72.80, H 8.25.}
\]

FTIR (neat) / cm\(^{-1}\): 2955, 2925, 1491 and 804;

\(^1\)H NMR (500 MHz; CDCl\(_3\)): \(\delta\) 0.93 (t, \(J=7.0\) Hz, 3H), 1.29-1.39 (m, 2H), 1.43-1.46 (m, 1H), 1.53-1.59 (m, 2H), 1.95-1.98 (m, 1H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.86 (dd, \(J=13.25, 10\) Hz, 1H), 3.05-3.10 (m, 1H), 3.23 (dd, \(J=13.75, 4.0\) Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, \(J=8.0\) Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, \(J=7.5\) Hz, 2H), 7.13 (d, \(J=7.5\) Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, \(J=8.0\) Hz, 2H).

\(^{13}\)C NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 125 MHz): \(\delta\) 14.29, 21.31, 21.41, 22.79, 29.22, 32.44, 40.11, 48.80, 129.92, 129.94, 130.52, 130.68, 132.45, 133.39, 136.51, 137.60.

1,2-Bis(phenylsulfanyl)hexane (2-1-3b)\(^{12b}\)
C_{18}H_{22}S_2 (302.1): Calcd. C 71.47, H 7.33; Found C 71.87, H 7.62.

FTIR (neat) / cm\(^{-1}\): 2955, 2928, 1478, 1437, 738 and 690.

\(^1\)H NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 500 MHz): \(\delta\) 0.83 (t, \(J=7.5\)Hz, 3H), 1.84-1.25 (m, 2H), 1.31-1.38 (m, 1H), 1.43-1.50 (m, 2H), 1.87-1.93 (m, 1H), 2.81 (dd, \(J=13.5, 9.5\)Hz, 1H), 3.02-3.15 (m, 1H), 3.17 (dd, \(J=13.5, 4.0\)Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.25 (m, 10H).

\(^{13}\)C NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 125 MHz): \(\delta\) 14.27, 22.77, 29.21, 32.51, 39.59, 48.54, 126.49, 127.47, 129.18, 129.23, 129.98, 132.78, 134.59, 136.10.

2-Bis(4-chlorophenylsulfanyl)hexane (2-1-3c)

\(\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{Cl}_2\text{S}_2 (370.0):}\) Calcd. C 58.21, H, 5.43; Found C 58.50, H 5.36.

FTIR (neat) / cm\(^{-1}\): 2956, 2928, 1474, 1095, 1011, 817.

\(^1\)H NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 500 MHz): \(\delta\) 0.92(t, \(J=7.0\)Hz, 3H), 1.27-1.35 (m, 2H), 1.39-1.42 (m, 1H), 1.53-1.55 (m, 2H), 1.96-2.00(m, 1H), 2.89 (dd, \(J=13.0, 9.0\)Hz, 1H), 3.01-3.05 (m, 1H), 3.15 (dd, \(J=13.0, 4.0\)Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, \(J=8.5\)Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, \(J=8.0\)Hz, 2H), 7.25-7.27 (m, 4H)

\(^{13}\)C NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 125 MHz): \(\delta\) 13.90, 22.41, 28.90, 32.34, 39.79, 48.82, 129.05, 129.10, 131.27, 132.49, 132.74, 133.57, 133.96, 134.28.
1-Methoxy-2,3-bis(p-tolylsulfanyl)propane (2-1-3d)

C_{18}H_{22}OS_2 (318.1): Calcd. C 67.88, H 6.96; Found C 68.29, H 7.16.

FTIR (neat) / cm\(^{-1}\): 2920, 2886, 1491, 1119 and 805.

\(^1\)H NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 500 MHz): \(\delta\) 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 3.12 (dd, \(J=13.75, 5.0\)Hz, 1H), 3.19(dd, \(J=13.5, 8.5\)Hz, 1H), 3.24-3.28(m, 1H), 3.34 (s, 3H), 3.62 (dd, \(J=10.0, 4.5\)Hz, 1H), 3.70 (dd, \(J=9.5, 5.0\)Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d, \(J=8.0\)Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, \(J=8.0\)Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, \(J=8.0\)Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, \(J=8.0\)Hz, 2H).

\(^{13}\)C NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 125 MHz): \(\delta\) 20.96, 21.07, 35.85, 48.44, 58.96, 72.54, 129.65, 129.71, 129.94, 130.07, 132.01, 133.16, 136.25, 137.59.

4,5-Bis(phenylsulfanyl)pentan-1-ol (2-1-3e)

C_{17}H_{20}OS_2 (304.1): Calcd. C 67.06, H 6.62; Found C 67.25, H 6.67.

FTIR (neat) / cm\(^{-1}\): 3364, 2937, 1478, 1437, 1064, 1024, 739 and 691.

\(^1\)H NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 500 MHz): \(\delta\) 1.64-1.67 (m, 1H), 1.71-1.77 (m, 1H), 1.87-1.93 (m, 1H), 2.08-2.14 (m, 1H), 2.91 (dd, \(J=13.75, 9.5\)Hz, 1H), 3.14-3.19 (m, 1H), 3.30 (dd, \(J=13.5, 4.0\)Hz, 1H), 3.67 (t, \(J=6.0\)Hz, 2H), 7.19-7.27 (m, 6H), 7.27-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.36 (m, 2H).
\( ^{13}C \) NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 125 MHz): \( \delta 28.83, 29.87, 39.35, 48.07, 62.43, 126.29, 127.32, 128.91, 128.95, 129.72, 132.58, 133.92, 135.53 \).

2,3-Bis(4-chlorophenylsulfanyl)propan-1-ol (2-1-3f)

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{Cl} & \quad \text{S} & \quad \text{S} & \quad \text{Cl} \\
\end{align*}
\]

C\(_{13}\)H\(_{14}\)Cl\(_2\)OS\(_2\) (343.9): Calcd. C 52.17, H 4.09; Found C 52.07, H 4.09.

FTIR (neat) / cm\(^{-1}\): 3408, 2930, 2873, 1474, 1388, 1093 and 814.

\( ^1H \) NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 500 MHz): \( \delta 3.08-3.14 \) (m, 2H), 3.16-3.23 (m, 1H), 3.76-3.84 (m, 1H), 3.84-3.86 (m, 1H), 7.19-7.32 (m, 8H).

\( ^{13}C \) NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 125 MHz): \( \delta 35.70, 51.51, 62.44, 129.17, 129.30, 131.07, 131.16, 132.69, 133.67, 134.24, 134.33 \).

2,3-Bis(4-chlorophenylsulfanyl)hexane (2-1-3g) Diastereomers 1

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{Cl} & \quad \text{S} & \quad \text{S} & \quad \text{Cl} \\
\end{align*}
\]

C\(_{18}\)H\(_{20}\)Cl\(_2\)S\(_2\) (370.0) Calcd. C 58.21, H 5.43; Found C 58.46, H 5.47.

FTIR (neat) / cm\(^{-1}\): 2958, 2929, 1474, 1094, 1012 and 819.

\( ^1H \) NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 500 MHz): \( \delta 0.94 \) (t, \( J=7.5\)Hz, 3H), 1.33 (d, \( J=7.0\)Hz, 3H), 1.36-1.45 (m, 2H), 1.68-1.72 (m, 1H), 1.95-1.98(m, 1H), 3.02 (d, \( J=10.5\)Hz, 1H), 3.31 (m, 1H), 7.08 (d, \( J=7.5\)Hz, 2H), 7.10(d, \( J=7.0\)Hz, 2H), 7.19 (d, \( J=8.5\)Hz, 4H).

\( ^{13}C \) NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 125 MHz): \( \delta 13.82, 14.11, 21.11, 29.74, 47.41, 53.05, 129.04, 133.09, 133.38, 133.51, 133.98 \).
2,3-Bis(4-chlorophenylsulfanyl)hexane (2-1-3g) Diastereomers

\[
\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{20}\text{Cl}_2\text{S}_2 \quad (370.0)
\]
Calcd. C 58.21, H 5.43; Found C 58.74, H 5.54.

FTIR (neat) / cm\(^{-1}\): 2958, 2929, 1474, 1094, 1011 and 819.

\(^1\)H NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 500 MHz): \(\delta\) 0.89 (t, \(J=7.5\)Hz, 3H), 1.36 (d, \(J=7.0\)Hz, 3H), 1.40-1.44 (m, 2H), 1.58-1.62 (m, 1H), 1.67-1.74 (m, 1H), 3.20 (dt, \(J=9.0, 4.5\)Hz, 1H), 3.45 (dt, \(J=11.0, 4.5\)Hz, 1H), 7.23-7.27(m, 6H), 7.32 (d, \(J=8.0\)Hz, 2H).

\(^13\)C NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 125 MHz): \(\delta\) 13.94, 18.03, 20.87, 35.79, 49.16, 56.12, 129.00, 129.04, 132.93, 133.10, 133.28, 133.87, 134.79.

1,2-Bis(butylsulfanyl)hexane (2-1-3h)

\[
\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{30}\text{S}_2 \quad (262.1)
\]
Calcd. C 64.05, H 11.52; Found C 64.66, H 11.68.

FTIR (neat) / cm\(^{-1}\): 2956, 2928, 2859 and 1457.

\(^1\)H NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 500 MHz): \(\delta\) 0.90-0.93 (m, 9H), 1.26-1.49 (m, 9H), 1.54-1.59 (m, 4H), 1.78-1.82 (m, 1H), 2.52-2.55 (m, 4H), 2.65 (dd, \(J=12.25, 9.0\)Hz, 1H), 2.69-2.74 (m, 1H), 2.84 (dd, \(J=12.5, 4.5\)Hz, 1H).

\(^13\)C NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 125 MHz): \(\delta\) 13.67, 13.99, 21.97, 22.08, 22.58, 28.88, 30.51, 31.85, 31.92, 32.74, 33.19, 38.39, 45.71.

1,2-Bis(pentylsulfanyl)decane (2-1-3i)
C_{20}H_{42}S_{2} (346.2) Calcd. C 69.29, H 12.21; Found C 69.44, H 12.38.

FTIR (neat) / cm\(^{-1}\): 2954, 2934, 2854 and 1457. \(^{1}\)H NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 500 MHz): \(\delta\) 0.87-0.92 (m, 9H), 1.29-1.38 (m, 19H), 1.45-1.51 (m, 2H), 1.57-1.59 (m, 4H), 1.78-1.82 (m, 1H), 2.51-2.54 (m, 4H), 2.65 (dd, \(J=12.75, 8.5\)Hz, 1H), 2.70-2.73 (m, 1H), 2.84 (dd, \(J=12.5, 4.5\)Hz, 1H).

\(^{13}\)C NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 125 MHz): \(\delta\) 13.97, 14.10, 22.30, 22.65, 26.69, 29.27, 29.47, 29.53, 30.81, 31.05, 31.16, 31.85, 33.04, 33.46, 38.37, 45.71.

4,5-Bis(pentylsulfanyl)pentan-1-ol (2-1-3j)

\(\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{32}\text{OS}_{2} (292.1)\) Calcd. C 61.58, H 11.03; Found C 61.61, H 11.13.

FTIR (neat)/ cm\(^{-1}\): 3364, 2953, 2926, 2857, 1456 and 1058.

\(^{1}\)H NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 500 MHz): \(\delta\) 0.90 (t, \(J=7.0\)Hz, 6H), 1.29-1.40 (m, 8H), 1.53-1.62 (m, 5H), 1.66-1.74 (m, 1H), 1.76-1.82 (m, 1H), 1.84-1.96 (m, 1H), 2.52-2.55 (m, 4H), 2.65 (dd, \(J=12.75, 9.5\)Hz, 1H), 2.72-2.77 (m, 1H), 2.87 (dd, \(J=12.75, 4.5\)Hz, 1H), 3.68 (brs, 2H).

\(^{13}\)C NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 125 MHz): \(\delta\) 13.92, 22.26, 24.07, 29.42, 29.49, 29.64, 29.86, 30.87, 31.01, 31.11, 33.01, 38.43, 45.44, 62.61.

\((E)\)-2-(4-Chlorophenylsulfanyl)but-2-en-1-ol (2-1-4a)

\(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{11}\text{ClOS} (214.0):\) Calcd. C 56.00, H 5.12; Found C 55.94, H 5.16.

FTIR (neat) / cm\(^{-1}\): 3355, 2912, 2854, 1474, 1388, 1079, 1011 and 816.
\text{\(^1\)H NMR (CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 500 MHz): } \delta 1.94 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H), 4.10 (s, 2H), 6.38 (q, J=6.5 Hz, 1H), 7.20-7.27 (m, 4H).

\text{\(^{13}\)C NMR (CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 125 MHz): } \delta 15.31, 65.99, 129.11, 130.04, 132.09, 132.96, 134.02, 135.91.

\text{(E)-2-(4-Chloro-phenylsulfanyl)hex-2-en-1-ol (2-1-4b)}

\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{15}\text{ClOS (242.0) Calcd. C 59.37, H 6.23; Found C 59.50, H 6.25.}

\text{FTIR (neat) / cm}^{-1}: 3354, 2958, 2929, 2869, 1474, 1092, 1011 and 815.

\text{\(^1\)H NMR (CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 500 MHz): } \delta 0.95 (t, J=7.5 Hz, 3H), 1.44-1.49 (m, 2H), 2.36 (q, J=7.0 Hz, 2H), 4.08 (d, J=5.0 Hz, 2H), 6.29 (t, J=7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.20-7.26 (m, 4H). \text{\(^{13}\)C NMR (CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 125 MHz): } \delta 13.81, 22.26, 31.55, 65.78, 129.09, 130.12, 132.02, 133.29, 139.17, 141.55.

\text{(E)-2-(Phenylsulfanyl)hex-2-en-1-ol (2-1-4c)}

\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{16}\text{OS (208.0) Calcd. C 69.19, H 7.74; Found C 69.22, H 7.80.}

\text{FTIR (neat) / cm}^{-1}: 3351, 2957, 2929, 2869, 1582, 1476, 1438, 1086, 997 and 740.

\text{\(^1\)H NMR (CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 500 MHz): } \delta 0.96 (t, J=7.5 Hz, 3H), 1.46-1.52 (m, 2H), 2.39 (q, J=7.5 Hz, 2H), 4.09 (d, J=5.5 Hz, 2H), 6.29 (t, J=7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.19-7.21 (m, 1H), 7.28-7.31 (m, 4H).

\text{\(^{13}\)C NMR (CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 125 MHz): } \delta 13.83, 22.32, 31.55, 65.85, 126.19, 128.99, 132.42, 134.56, 138.57, 140.97.
(E)-2-(p-tolylsulfanyl)hex-2-en-1-ol (2-1-4d)

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\begin{align*}
\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{18}\text{OS} \quad \text{(222.1) Calcd. } &\text{C 70.22, H 8.16; Found C 70.18, H 8.10.} \\
\text{FTIR (neat) / cm}^{-1}: &\text{ 3380, 2957, 2927, 2869, 1491, 1455, 1086, 997 and 746.} \\
^1\text{H NMR (CDCl}_3, 500\text{ MHz): } &\delta 0.96 (t, J=7.5\text{Hz}, 3\text{H}), 1.46-1.50 (m, 2\text{H}), 2.33 (s, 3\text{H}), \\
&2.39 (q, J=7.0\text{Hz}, 2\text{H}), 4.06 (s, 2\text{H}), 6.20 (t, J=7.0\text{Hz}, 1\text{H}), 7.10 (d, J=8.0\text{Hz}, 2\text{H}), \\
&7.21 (d, J=8.5\text{Hz}, 2\text{H}). \\
^{13}\text{C NMR (CDCl}_3, 125\text{ MHz): } &\delta 13.83, 20.96, 22.36, 31.49, 65.73, 129.79, 129.84, \\
&130.54, 133.10, 136.47, 137.38.
\end{align*}
\]

(E)-2-(phenylsulfanyl)hept-2-en-1-ol (2-1-4e)

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\begin{align*}
\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{18}\text{OS} \quad \text{(222.1) Found: } &\text{C, 70.22, H, 8.16. Calcd. for: C, 70.06, H, 8.30.} \\
\text{FTIR (neat)/ cm}^{-1}: &\text{ 3348, 2955, 2926, 2857, 1476, 1438, 1087, 1008 and 739.} \\
^1\text{H NMR (CDCl}_3, 500\text{ MHz): } &\delta 0.92 (t, J=7.5\text{Hz}, 3\text{H}), 1.34-1.45 (m, 4\text{H}), 2.40 (q, \\
&J=7.0\text{Hz}, 2\text{H}), 4.09 (d, J=5.0\text{Hz}, 2\text{H}), 6.28 (t, J=7.0\text{Hz}, 1\text{H}), 7.19-7.21 (m, 1\text{H}), 7.27- \\
&7.31 (m, 4\text{H}). \\
^{13}\text{C NMR (CDCl}_3, 125\text{ MHz): } &\delta 13.86, 22.31, 29.21, 31.18, 65.82, 126.17, 128.97, \\
&129.02, 132.21, 134.58, 138.73.
\end{align*}
\]

(E)-4-(4-chlorophenylsulfanyl)hex-4-en-3-ol (2-1-4f)

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\begin{align*}
\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{18}\text{OS} \quad \text{(222.1) } &\text{Calcd. for: C, 70.06, H, 8.30.} \\
\text{FTIR (neat)/ cm}^{-1}: &\text{ 3348, 2955, 2926, 2857, 1476, 1438, 1087, 1008 and 739.} \\
^1\text{H NMR (CDCl}_3, 500\text{ MHz): } &\delta 0.92 (t, J=7.5\text{Hz}, 3\text{H}), 1.34-1.45 (m, 4\text{H}), 2.40 (q, \\
&J=7.0\text{Hz}, 2\text{H}), 4.09 (d, J=5.0\text{Hz}, 2\text{H}), 6.28 (t, J=7.0\text{Hz}, 1\text{H}), 7.19-7.21 (m, 1\text{H}), 7.27- \\
&7.31 (m, 4\text{H}). \\
^{13}\text{C NMR (CDCl}_3, 125\text{ MHz): } &\delta 13.86, 22.31, 29.21, 31.18, 65.82, 126.17, 128.97, \\
&129.02, 132.21, 134.58, 138.73.
\end{align*}
\]
C12H15ClOS (242.0).

FTIR (neat) / cm⁻¹: 3388, 2963, 2931, 2874, 1473, 1388, 1091, 1011 and 816.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 0.90 (t, J=7.5Hz, 3H), 1.58-1.69 (m, 2H), 1.86 (d, J=6.5Hz, 3H), 4.07 (q, J=6.5Hz, 1H), 6.41 (q, J=7.0Hz, 1H), 7.18-7.23 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 10.01, 15.51, 29.09, 77.38, 128.78, 128.99, 131.34, 134.63, 134.83, 135.88.

(E)-4-(Phenylsulfanyl)hex-4-en-3-01 (2-1-4g)

(E)-3-(4-chlorophenylsulfanyl)hex-3-en-2-ol (2-1-4h)
$^{13}$C NMR (CDCl$_3$, 125 MHz): $\delta$ 13.39, 22.61, 23.17, 71.32, 128.91, 129.02, 131.47, 134.70, 135.53, 140.66.

(E)-3-(p-tolylsulfanyl)hex-3-en-2-ol (2-1-4i)

$^{13}$C NMR (CDCl$_3$, 125 MHz): $\delta$ 16.21, 21.97, 25.51, 36.32, 74.92, 124.84, 126.19, 128.81, 132.90, 136.90, 140.91.

(E)-3-(4-chlorophenylsulfanyl)2-methyl-oct-3-en-2-ol (2-1-4j)
White crystal, mp 44-46 °C (from hexane and ethyl acetate). C_{15}H_{21}ClOS (284.1)
Calcd. C 63.25, H 7.43; Found C 63.38, H, 7.56.

FTIR (neat) / cm⁻¹: 3419, 2958, 2927, 2858, 1474, 1091 and 814.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 0.86 (t, J=7.5Hz, 3H), 1.26-1.29 (m, 2H), 1.32-1.36 (m, 2H), 1.43 (s, 6H), 2.20-2.23 (m, 3H), 6.46 (t, J=7.0Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, J=9.0Hz, 2H), 7.20 (d, J=9.0Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 13.85, 22.34, 29.21, 30.13, 30.84, 74.31, 127.59, 128.87, 130.75, 135.78, 138.83, 138.87.

(E)-3-(phenyl-2-p-tolylsulfanyl)prop-2-en-1-ol (2-1-41)

C_{16}H_{16}OS (256.0) Calcd. C 74.96, H 6.29; Found C 74.96, H, 6.39.

FTIR (neat) / cm⁻¹: 3399, 2921, 2869, 1491, 1016, 808 and 759.

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): δ 2.37 (s, 3H), 4.34(d, J=5.5Hz, 1H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 7.18 (d, J=7.5Hz, 2H), 7.29 (t, J=7.0Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.41 (m, 6H).

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): δ 21.11, 60.25, 127.53, 128.43, 128.61, 129.33, 130.13, 132.32, 133.71, 136.02, 137.61, 138.01.

(E)-1-(phenyl-2-phenylsulfanyl)hept-2-en-1-ol (2-1-4m)
C_{19}H_{22}O_{3}S (298.1) Calcd. C 76.46, H 7.43; Found C 76.70, H 7.64.

FTIR (neat) / cm⁻¹: 3365, 2956, 2931, 2870, 1454, 1002 and 759.

$^1$H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): \( \delta \) 0.89 (t, \( J=7.5 \) Hz, 3H), 1.30-1.36 (m, 2H), 1.37-1.42 (m, 2H), 2.33-2.39 (m, 2H), 2.43 (d, \( J=5.0 \) Hz, 1H), 5.22 (d, \( J=5.5 \) Hz, 1H), 6.39 (t, \( J=7.5 \) Hz, 1H), 7.15-7.18 (m, 1H), 7.25-7.35 (m, 9H).

$^{13}$C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): \( \delta \) 13.89, 22.39, 29.48, 31.06, 76.75, 125.85, 126.68, 127.75, 128.29, 128.32, 128.94, 134.99, 135.57, 139.99, 141.67.

(\textit{E})-tert-butyl-dimethyl-(2-phenylsulfanyl-hex-2-eneoxy)silane (2-1-5)

\[ \text{\begin{align*}
\text{\textbf{S}} & \quad \text{\textbf{TBSO}} \\
\text{\textbf{C}} & \quad \text{\textbf{C}} \\
\text{\textbf{C}} & \quad \text{\textbf{C}} \\
\text{\textbf{C}} & \quad \text{\textbf{C}} \\
\text{\textbf{C}} & \quad \text{\textbf{C}} \\
\end{align*}} \]

$^1$H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz): \( \delta \) 0.02 (s, 6H), 0.90 (s, 9H), 0.94 (t, \( J=7.5 \) Hz, 3H), 1.44-1.49 (m, 2H), 2.38 (q, \( J=7.5 \) Hz, 2H), 4.13 (d, \( J=1.0 \) Hz, 2H), 6.39 (t, \( J=7.5 \) Hz, 1H), 7.15 (t, \( J=4.5 \) Hz, 1H), 7.25 (d, \( J=4.0 \) Hz, 4H).

$^{13}$C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz): \( \delta \) -5.39, 13.86, 18.37, 22.50, 25.87, 31.31, 65.87, 125.58, 128.14, 128.83, 130.81, 135.77, 136.98.

(\textit{E})-2-benzenesulfonyl-hex-2-en-1-ol (2-1-6)

\[ \text{\begin{align*}
\text{\textbf{S}} & \quad \text{\textbf{O}} \\
\text{\textbf{C}} & \quad \text{\textbf{O}} \\
\text{\textbf{C}} & \quad \text{\textbf{C}} \\
\text{\textbf{C}} & \quad \text{\textbf{C}} \\
\text{\textbf{C}} & \quad \text{\textbf{C}} \\
\end{align*}} \]

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$^1$H NMR (CDCl$_3$, 500 MHz): $\delta$ 0.85 (t, $J$=7.0Hz, 3H), 1.34-1.38 (m, 2H), 2.50 (q, $J$=7.5Hz, 2H), 4.33 (s, 2H), 6.34 (t, $J$=7.5Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, $J$=7.0Hz, 2H), 7.62 (t, $J$=7.5Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, $J$=7.5Hz, 2H).

$^{13}$C NMR (CDCl$_3$, 125 MHz): $\delta$ 13.56, 21.81, 30.29, 63.89, 127.20, 129.13, 133.39, 140.27, 141.34, 146.84.
2.2. Gold-Catalyzed Intramolecular Oxygen Transfer Reaction of 2-Alkynyl-1,5-diketones and 2-Alkynyl-5-Ketoesters

2.2.1 Background and Introduction

The Hammond group has been particularly interested in the interactions of allene and gold. This led to the finding that 2-alkynyl-1,5-kiketones or 2-alkynyl-5-ketoesters can easily isomerized into 1,5-diketo cyclopentene in the presence of catalytic amounts of gold (I) chloride. This methodology makes available substituted cyclopentenones, which are core structures or precursors of important natural products (Figure 3).

Isotopic experiments and theoretical calculations performed by members of the Hammond group supported the novel proposed intramolecular [4+2] cycloaddition of a gold-containing furanium intermediate to a carbonyl group, instead of the previous well-accepted [2+2] pathway.

Figure 3. Natural Product Containing the Cyclopentenone Core Structure
2.2.2 Result and Discussion

From entry 1 to 3, aromatic rings at $R^1$ were examined, giving excellent yield of 2-2-2a, 2-2-2b, 2-2-2c at room temperature (Table 4).

Table 4. Isomerization of 2-Alkynyl-1,5-Diketones and 2-Alkynyl-5-Ketoesters
[Note: My participation in this collective work from the Hammond’s group was restricted to the isomerization of 2-alkynyl-1,5-diketones and 2-alkynyl-5-ketoesters].

Similarly, the same aromatic rings at R¹ worked equally well with the 2-alkynyl-5-ketoester system (entries 4 to 6). In entries 7 and 8, the benzyl group at R² was tested on a 2-alkynyl-5-ketoester system. While substrate 2-2-7a gave excellent yield, 2-2-8a was not suitable, affording moderate yields of the desired product, together with an unidentified side product. In the last entry, substrate 2-2-9a, having two methyl groups at R³ and R⁴, still isomerized well using this methodology.

We proposed a very unique and unprecedented intramolecular [4+2] cycloaddition (Scheme 7) for this transformation, rather than the well-accepted [2+2] cycloaddition.

Scheme 7. $^{18}$O Isotopic Labeling Experiment for Mechanistic Studies
Mechanistic investigations on the cycloisomerization were carried out by means of both $^{18}$O isotopic experiments and quantum chemical calculations. The results from both, the designed isotopic experiments and theoretical calculations (omitted in this thesis because they were done by Dr. Leping Liu and Professor Kenneth Houk at UCLA), satisfactorily supported the novel proposed intramolecular [4+2] cycloaddition of a gold-containing furanium intermediate to a carbonyl group, instead of the previously accepted [2+2] pathway.\(^{35}\)

### 2.2.3 Experimental Section

2-Alkynyl-1,5-diketones or 2-alkynyl-5-ketoesters were prepared according to our previously published paper.\(^2\) Gold(I) chloride was purchased from Aldrich. 2-Alkynyl-1,5-diketone (or 2-alkynyl-5-ketoester) (0.02-0.15 mmol), gold(I) chloride (5-10 mol %) were dissolved in CDCl\(_3\) (0.6 mL) in NMR tube and monitored constantly until the reaction was completed. The reaction mixture was then subjected to a short chromatography separation, eluted by a hexane: ethyl acetate system, to give the cyclized product. The products were characterized by $^1$H, $^{13}$C NMR, HRMS and IR spectra.

**Typical procedure for preparation of 2-((4-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl)-2-methyl-1,5-diphenylpentane-1,5-dione (2-2-1a)**

4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-methyl-1-phenylbuta-2,3-dien-1-one (528.0 mg, 2.0 mmol), 1-phenylprop-2-en-1-one (396 mg, 3.0 mmol) and TBAF (0.2 mmol) were dissolved in THF (3 mL) and stirred at room temperature for 5 h. The reaction mixture was quenched by saturated ammonium chloride (15 mL) and followed by diethyl ether extraction (25 mL×3). The ether layers were combined and dried over anhydrous Na\(_2\)SO\(_4\), filtered and...
evaporated under reduced pressure, the resulting residue was subjected to silica gel chromatography eluted by hexanes and ethyl acetate system to yield 2-((4-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl)-2-methyl-1,5-diphenylpentane-1,5-dione (2-2-1a) (475.0 mg, 60%).

(5-Benzoyl-5-methyl-2-phenyl-cyclopent-1-enyl)-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-methanone (2-2-2a)

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\text{H}_3\text{CO}
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\text{H}_3\text{CO}
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\(^1\text{H} \text{NMR} (\text{CDCl}_3, 400\text{MHz}) \delta 7.90 (d, J = 8.0\text{Hz}, 2H), 7.67 (d, J = 8.0\text{Hz}, 2H), 7.42 (t, J = 6.8\text{Hz}, 1H), 7.35 (t, J = 6.8\text{Hz}, 2H), 7.15 (b r s, 2H), 7.09 (b r s, 3H), 6.62 (d, J = 8.4\text{Hz}, 2H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.02-3.29 (m, 1H), 2.95-3.01 (m, 1H), 2.61-2.69 (m, 1H), 2.17-2.23 (m, 1H), 1.66 (s, 3H).

\(^{13}\text{C} \text{NMR} (\text{CDCl}_3, 100\text{MHz}) \delta 203.4, 195.1, 162.9, 146.7, 141.1, 137.7, 135.7, 131.8, 131.3, 130.1, 128.6, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 113.1, 65.9, 55.2, 36.1, 35.7, 24.2.

HRMS \text{m/z} (\text{ES}^+) \text{calcd for } C_{27}H_{25}O_3 ([M+H]^+) 397.1798, \text{found 397.1790}, \text{m/z} (\text{ES}^+) \text{calcd for } C_{27}H_{24}O_3\text{Na ([M+Na]}^+) 419.1618, \text{found 419.1608}.

\text{FTIR (neat)/cm}^{-1}: 1675, 1637, 1596, 1508, 1334, 1255, 1162, 763, 698.

(5-Benzoyl-5-methyl-2-phenyl-cyclopent-1-enyl)-phenylmethanone (2-2-2b)
IH NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) δ 7.90 (d, J = 7.2Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.6Hz, 2H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.2Hz, 1H), 7.37 (t, J = 7.6Hz, 2H), 7.24 (t, J = 7.6Hz, 1H), 7.05-7.13 (m, 7H), 3.22-3.29 (m, 1H), 3.00-3.09 (m, 1H), 2.64-2.72 (m, 1H), 2.22-2.28 (m, 1H), 1.73 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100MHz) δ 203.3, 196.5, 148.6, 141.2, 137.4, 137.3, 135.6, 132.1, 131.5, 129.5, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.9, 127.7, 66.2, 36.4, 35.8, 24.3.

HRMS m/z (ES⁺) calcd for C₂₆H₂₃O₂ ([M+H]⁺) 367.1693, found 367.1687, m/z (ES⁺) calcd for C₂₆H₂₂O₂Na ([M+Na]⁺) 389.1512, found 389.1505.

FTIR (neat)/cm⁻¹: 1674, 1637, 1447, 1277, 1251, 968, 725, 693.

(5-Benzoyl-5-methyl-2-phenyl-cyclopent-1-enyl)-(4-chloro-phenyl)-methanone (2-2-2c)

IH NMR (CDCl₃, 400MHz) δ 7.88 (d, J = 8.0Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, J = 8.0Hz, 2H), 7.46 (t, J = 7.2Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, J = 7.6Hz, 2H), 7.10 (brs, 7H), 3.17-3.25 (m, 1H), 3.04-3.12 (m, 1H), 2.64-2.72 (m, 1H), 2.26-2.72 (m, 1H), 1.77 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100MHz) δ 203.4, 195.4, 148.5, 140.8, 138.3, 136.8, 135.8, 135.4, 131.7, 130.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 66.8, 36.3, 36.0, 24.6.
HRMS \( m/z \) (ES\(^+\)) calcd for \( \text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_2\text{Cl} \) \([\text{M}+\text{H}]^+\) 401.1303, found 401.1297, \( m/z \) (ES\(^+\)) calcd for \( \text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{21}\text{O}_2\text{NaCl} \) \([\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+\) 423.1122, found 423.1113.

FTIR (neat)/cm\(^{-1}\): 1674, 1637, 1576, 1275, 1251, 1089, 968, 747, 697.

2-Benzoyl-1-methyl-3-phenyl-cyclopent-2-enecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (2-2-2d)

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\[ \text{O} \]
\[ \text{O} \]

\(^1\)H NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 400MHz) \( \delta \) 7.65 (d, \( J = 8.0\)Hz, 2H), 7.26 (t, \( J = 7.6\)Hz, 1H), 7.09-7.13 (m, 4H), 7.03-7.06 (m, 3H), 3.93-4.05 (m, 2H), 3.10-3.18 (m, 1H), 2.92-2.98 (m, 1H), 2.54-2.59 (m, 1H), 2.00-2.06 (m, 1H), 1.62 (s, 3H), 1.00 (t, \( J = 7.2\)Hz, 3H).

\(^{13}\)C NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 100MHz) \( \delta \) 197.0, 175.7, 148.7, 139.4, 137.3, 135.6, 132.3, 129.4, 128.2, 128.2, 127.9, 127.8, 60.8, 59.9, 36.4, 35.7, 23.1, 13.8.

HRMS \( m/z \) (ES\(^+\)) calcd for \( \text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{23}\text{O}_3 \) \([\text{M}+\text{H}]^+\) 335.1642, found 335.1637, \( m/z \) (ES\(^+\)) calcd for \( \text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_3\text{Na} \) \([\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+\) 357.1461, found 357.1456, \( m/z \) (ES\(^+\)) calcd for \( \text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{17}\text{O} \) \([\text{M}-\text{COOEt}]^+\) 261.1279, found 261.1272.

FTIR (neat)/cm\(^{-1}\): 1731, 1646, 1447, 1279, 1254, 1173, 1093, 696.

2-(4-Methoxy-benzoyl)-1-methyl-3-phenyl-cyclopent-2-enecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (2-2-2e)

\[ \text{CH}_3\text{CO} \]

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\[ ^1H\text{ NMR (CDCl}_3, 400MHz) \delta 7.67 (d, J = 8.8Hz, 2H), 7.14 (brs, 2H), 7.07 (brs, 3H), 6.64 (d, J = 8.4Hz, 2H), 3.91-4.05 (m, 2H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.10-3.18 (m, 1H), 2.87-2.94 (m, 1H), 2.54-2.61 (m, 1H), 1.97-2.04 (m, 1H), 1.58 (s, 3H), 1.00 (t, J = 7.2Hz, 3H). \]

\[ ^{13}C\text{ NMR (CDCl}_3, 100MHz) \delta 195.7, 175.7, 163.0, 146.8, 139.2, 135.7, 131.8, 130.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.9, 113.1, 60.8, 60.0, 55.3, 36.3, 35.4, 23.2, 13.8. \]

HRMS m/z (ES\textsuperscript{+}) calcd for C\textsubscript{23}H\textsubscript{25}O\textsubscript{4} ([M+H]\textsuperscript{+}) 365.1747, found 365.1741, m/z (ES\textsuperscript{+}) calcd for C\textsubscript{23}H\textsubscript{24}O\textsubscript{4}Na ([M+Na]\textsuperscript{+}) 387.1567, found 387.1560, m/z (ES\textsuperscript{+}) calcd for C\textsubscript{20}H\textsubscript{19}O\textsubscript{2} ([M-COOEt]\textsuperscript{+}) 291.1385, found 291.1377.

FTIR (neat)/cm\textsuperscript{-1}: 1729, 1637, 1597, 1507, 1256, 1162, 1093, 1027, 760, 697.

2-(4-Chloro-benzoyl)-1-methyl-3-phenyl-cyclopent-2-enecarboxylic acid ethyl ester (2-2-2f)

\[ \text{\includegraphics[width=0.5\textwidth]{image}} \]

\[ ^1H\text{ NMR (CDCl}_3, 400MHz) \delta 7.59 (d, J = 7.6Hz, 2H), 7.08 (brs, 7H), 3.95-4.07 (m, 2H), 3.10-3.17 (m, 1H), 2.88-3.10 (m, 1H), 2.51-2.58 (m, 1H), 2.00-2.06 (m, 1H), 1.62 (s, 3H), 1.02 (t, J = 6.8Hz, 3H). \]

\[ ^{13}C\text{ NMR (CDCl}_3, 125 MHz) \delta 195.7, 175.6, 149.2, 139.1, 138.5, 135.8, 135.4, 130.8, 128.6, 128.2, 128.1, 128.1, 60.8, 60.1, 36.5, 35.7, 23.2, 13.9. \]
HRMS m/z (ES⁺) calcd for C₂₂H₂₂O₃Cl ([M+H]⁺) 369.1252, found 369.1248, m/z (ES⁺) calcd for C₂₂H₂₁O₃ClNa ([M+Na]⁺) 391.1071, found 391.1064, m/z (ES⁺) calcd for C₁₉H₁₆OCl ([M-COOEt]⁺) 295.0890, found 295.0881.

FTIR (neat)/cm⁻¹: 1732, 1646, 1278, 1253, 1166, 1091, 860, 755, 697.

**Ethyl 2-benzoyl-1-benzyl-3-phenylcyclopent-2-ene carboxylate (2-2-2g)**

![Structure of ethyl 2-benzoyl-1-benzyl-3-phenylcyclopent-2-ene carboxylate](image)

\[\text{Structure Image} \]

\(^1\text{H NMR (CDCl}_3, 400MHz)\) δ 7.68 (d, \(J = 7.2Hz, 2H\)), 7.38 (d, \(J = 6.8Hz, 2H\)), 7.28 (t, \(J = 7.6Hz, 1H\)), 7.13-7.25 (m, 6H), 7.01 (brs, 4H), 3.88-4.03 (m, 2H), 3.70 (d, \(J = 13.6Hz, 1H\)), 3.33 (d, \(J = 13.6Hz, 1H\)), 2.75-2.83 (m, 1H), 2.46-2.54 (m, 1H), 2.27-2.32 (m, 1H), 1.77-1.86 (m, 1H), 0.94 (t, \(J = 6.8Hz, 3H\)).

\(^{13}\text{C NMR (CDCl}_3, 100MHz)\) δ 197.8, 175.1, 151.1, 137.5, 136.2, 135.6, 132.2, 130.6, 129.5, 128.2, 128.0, 127.8, 127.8, 127.7, 126.5, 65.3, 61.0, 42.3, 35.7, 32.7, 13.7.

HRMS m/z (ES⁺) calcd for C₂₈H₃₁O₃ ([M+H]⁺) 411.1955, found 411.1949, m/z (ES⁺) calcd for C₂₈H₃₀O₃Na ([M+Na]⁺) 433.1774, found 433.1762, (ES⁺) calcd for C₂₅H₂₉O ([M-COOEt]⁺) 337.1592, found 337.1583.

FTIR (neat)/cm⁻¹: 1727, 1642, 1447, 1278, 1247, 1175, 697.

**2-Benzoyl-1-benzyl-3-methyl-cyclopent-2-ene carboxylic acid ethyl ester (2-2-2h)**

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**1H NMR (CDCl₃, 500 MHz)** δ 7.85 (d, J = 7.5Hz, 2H), 7.55 (t, J = 8.0Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, J = 8.0Hz, 2H), 7.25 (brs, 2H), 7.20 (brs, 3H), 4.00-4.08 (m, 2H), 3.64 (d, J =13.0Hz, 1H), 3.24 (d, J = 13.0Hz, 1H), 2.18-2.27 (m, 1H), 2.11-2.16 (m, 2H), 1.36-1.40 (m, 4H), 1.04 (t, J =7.0Hz, 3H).

**13C NMR (CDCl₃, 125 MHz)** δ 197.3, 175.7, 151.5, 139.3, 137.8, 135.7, 132.5, 130.6, 129.3, 128.3, 127.6, 126.2, 64.2, 60.8, 41.5, 37.7, 32.6, 16.8, 13.8.

HRMS m/z (ES⁺) calcd for C₂₃H₂₅O₃ ([M+H⁺) 349.1798, found 349.1799, m/z (ES⁺) calcd for C₂₃H₂₄O₃Na ([M+Na⁺) 371.1618, found 371.1614, m/z (ES⁺) calcd for C₂₀H₁₉O ([M-COOEt]⁺) 275.1436, found 275.1431.

**FTIR (neat)/cm⁻¹**: 1728, 1643, 1447, 1280, 1238, 1172, 1074, 703.

1-(2-Benzoyl-1,3-dimethyl-cyclopent-2-enyl)-ethanone (2-2-2i)
HRMS $m/z$ (ES$^+$) calcd for C$_{16}$H$_{19}$O$_2$ ([M+H]$^+$) 243.1380, found 243.1381, $m/z$ (ES$^-$) calcd for C$_{16}$H$_{18}$O$_2$Na ([M+Na]$^+$) 265.1199, found 265.1199.

FTIR (neat)/cm$^{-1}$: 1706, 1640, 1447, 1346, 1281, 739, 696.
3. EXPLORATION OF THE CHEMISTRY OF SELECTFLUOR

3.1 Selectfluor™

Recently, a number of N-F fluorinating agents have been emerged as electrophilic fluorinating agents, which are easy to handle, safe and stable. They are either quaternary ammonium salt R₃N⁺F⁻ A⁻ or R₂NF₃, in which Selectfluor™ (F-TEDA-BF₄) (Scheme 8) is one of cheapest and most reactive ones. Selectfluor is commercially prepared by Air Products by following process shown in Scheme 8.

![Scheme 8. Commercially Synthetic pathway for Selectfluor](image)

There are many nice examples of fluorination by Selectfluor in literature. Selectfluor can fluorinate electron rich aromatic systems, aliphatic hydrocarbon, aliphatic amines, alkenes and their derivatives and asymmetric fluorination. In addition to fluorination, Selectfluor can be oxidant for functional groups transformation, halogens (iodine), C-H functionalization, gold catalyzed oxidative C-C and C-heteroatom bond formation, palladium catalyzed C-C and C-heteroatom bond formation.
In this section, Selectfluor will be explored as fluorinating agent to prepare fluoroalkyl \((E)\) \(\alpha,\beta\)-unsaturated ketones, which are very important intermediates for synthesis of bioactive agents. Then, combination of copper and selectfluor was found as a powerful oxidant, which readily oxidizes amide into imide at room temperature.
3.2. Stereoselective Synthesis of Fluoroalkyl α,β-Unsaturated Ketones

3.2.1 Background

Monofluoroalkyl α, β-unsaturated ketones 3-2-1, such as A, B, and C, are important molecular synthons, as showcased by their use in the synthesis of numerous bioactive agents (Figure 4). Fluoroketone 3-2-1 is most commonly synthesized either by using a fluorine-containing building block or through the fluorination of an unsaturated ketone. But the above literature methodologies have limitations.

![Figure 4. Monofluoroalkyl (E)-α,β-Unsaturated Ketones A, B and C are Important Building Blocks for Bioactive Agents](image)

The building block approach relies on a shallow pool of fluorine containing moiety (Scheme 9, top), whose preparation is not always trivial; for example, the synthesis of fluorine-containing Wittig reagents is lengthy and inefficient (Scheme 10).
Scheme 9. Literature Construction of Monofluoroalkyl α,β-Unsaturated Ketones by Fluorine Containing Building Blocks (Top) and Fluorination of Specific Ketones (Bottom)

On the other hand, the fluorination approach is hampered by the fact that regioselective fluorination of the starting unsaturated ketone is case specific (Scheme 9, Bottom). Owing to these limitations, medicinal chemists find it difficult to build libraries of fluoroalkyl α,β-unsaturated ketone. An efficient preparation of the said ketones is highly desirable.
3.2.2 Our Efficient Strategy to Prepare Ketone 3-2-1

Inspired by the works of Gouverneur\textsuperscript{57} and Nevada\textsuperscript{58} (Scheme 11, top), we envisioned an environmentally friendly and efficient fluorination process to overcome aforementioned drawbacks (Scheme 11, bottom). We posited that an electron rich 1,3-butadien-2-ol ester 3-2-2 could be a suitable substrate for electrophilic fluorination. The diene 3-2-2 is readily made by the gold-catalyzed isomerization of allenyl carbinol ester 3-2-3 using Gagosz's methodology.\textsuperscript{59} Gagosz and co-workers had reported that terminal allenyl carbinol ester 3-2-3 isomerize to 1,3-butadien-2-ol ester 3-2-2 with moderate to good stereoselectivity in presence of gold catalyst 3-2-4.

Scheme 11. Gold-catalyzed Isomerization of Alkyne and Allene and Following Fluorination Strategy

In this chapter we report that a stereomixture of 3-2-2 can be fluorinated at room temperature by Selectfluor to give fluoroalkyl $\alpha,\beta$-unsaturated ketone 3-2-1 in high yields and with exclusive $E$ stereoselectivity. All results are shown in Table 5.
Table 5. Preparation of α,β-Unsaturated Ketones 3-2-1 from *in Situ* Generated Dienes 3-2-2.  

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Entry</th>
<th>Substrate (1)</th>
<th>Dienes (3)</th>
<th>Ketone (5), Yield</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>3-2-3</td>
<td>3-2-2a (E:Z = 95:5)</td>
<td>3-2-1a, 95% (E:Z = 99:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>3-2-3b</td>
<td>3-2-2b (E:Z = 95:5)</td>
<td>3-2-1a, 95% (E:Z = 99:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>3-2-3c</td>
<td>3-2-2c (E:Z = 95:5)</td>
<td>3-2-1a, 95% (E:Z = 99:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>3-2-3d</td>
<td>3-2-2d (E:Z = 95:5)</td>
<td>3-2-1e, 95% (E:Z = 99:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>3-2-3e</td>
<td>3-2-2e (E:Z = 95:5)</td>
<td>3-2-1e, 95% (E:Z = 99:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>3-2-3f</td>
<td>3-2-2f (E:Z = 87:13)</td>
<td>3-2-1e, 95% (E:Z = 99:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>n-C_{13}H_{25}</td>
<td>n-C_{13}H_{25}</td>
<td>n-C_{13}H_{25}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>n-C_{7}H_{15}</td>
<td>n-C_{7}H_{15}</td>
<td>n-C_{7}H_{15}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>3-2-3l</td>
<td>3-2-2l (E:Z = 87:13)</td>
<td>3-2-1l, 79% (E:Z = 99:1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>3-2-3i</td>
<td>3-2-2i (E:Z = 87:13)</td>
<td>3-2-1l, 79% (E:Z = 99:1)</td>
</tr>
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</table>

* Reaction conditions: allyl carbinol ester (3-2-3) (0.25 M) and the gold catalyst 3-2-4 (1 mol %) in CDCl₃, and monitored by ¹H NMR until no progress. Then CDCl₃ was dried in vacuum, Selectfluor (1.2 equiv.) and acetonitrile (1.5 mL) were added and stirred for 3 h. * Yield was calculated on starting allyl carbinol ester (3-2-3). ¹¹F NMR yield due to their volatility. 9,9,9-Trifluorethene as internal standard. * Yield of allylic alcohol owing to their instability on long silica gel column. Allylic alcohols of 3-2-1g and 3-2-1h contain less than 3% of corresponding saturated alcohol. d.r. of the allylic alcohol (from 3-2-1h) is 4:1.
Carbinol ester 3-2-3a (entry 1) isomerizes to diene 3-2-2a in CDCl$_3$ in the presence of
gold catalyst 3-2-4, and diene 3-2-2a reacts readily with Selectfluor in MeCN to yield
the corresponding fluorinated ketone 3-2-1a in excellent yield and with exclusive E
stereoselectivity. It is noteworthy that dienes 3-2-2a (E:Z = 95:5), during fluorination,
yielded exclusively the E isomer. There are two possibilities to produce exclusively
fluoroalkyl (E)-$\alpha$,$\beta$-unsaturated ketone 3-2-1a. First, the (Z)-diene 3-2-2a may be
isomerized, upon fluorination, into E stereomer and give E ketone 3-2-1a after
subsequent hydrolysis. Secondly, (E)-diene 3-2-2a is probably more reactive, than (Z)-
diene 3-2-2a, with Selectfluor and no fluorine cation-enabled isomerization happened.
The isomerization is proposed as main pathway to give exclusively E ketone, since
unreacted (E)-diene 3-2-2a and corresponding side products were failed to be isolated.
Similarly, aromatic substrates 3-2-3b, 3-2-3c and 3-2-3d isomerized to the corresponding
dienes 3-2-2 as a mixture of E/Z isomers, but upon fluorinations, these isomers afforded
3-2-1a in high stereoselectivity and excellent chemical yields, regardless of the type of
carboxylic acid derivatives used. Aliphatic allenyl esters 3-2-5e (entry 5) and 3-2-6f
(entry 6) were also examined. Both of them efficiently isomerized and were fluorinated to
give 3-2-3e (E:Z = 99:1) in good yield. The high molecular weight aliphatic allenyl ester
3-2-3g (entry 7) was tested in order to isolate the desired pure product (not volatile).
Because all substrates used in Gagosz’s work were terminal allenyl esters, we were
intrigued as to how would an internal allenyl ester such 3-2-3h behave under our reaction
conditions (entry 8). We were pleasantly surprised to discover that even though 3-2-3h
isomerized readily to give a complex mixture of stereoisomers 3-2-2h (1:0.41:0.68:0.87),
this mixture produced the desired 3-2-1h in good yield as a single E-isomer. Benzoate
and acetate derivatives of 1,1-disubstituted allenyl esters 3-2-3i and 3-2-3j were also tested (entries 9 and 10). Their isomerizations furnished dienes 3-2-2i and 3-2-2j, respectively, but after fluorination, only 3-2-1l was obtained in very good yield and with exclusive E selectivity.

We also investigated the possibility of preparing fluoroalkyl E,E-α,β,γ,δ-unsaturated ketone 3-2-1k using our protocol, but, unfortunately, this attempt failed because no isomerization of the two substrates tested, 3-2-3k and 3-2-3l, took place in the presence of gold catalyst 3-2-4 (Scheme 12).

![Scheme 12. Limitations of Our Protocol](image)

A plausible mechanism for the isomerization of a diene mixture is proposed in Scheme 13. The electron-rich double bond of diene 3-2-2 attacks the electrophilic fluorine in Selectfluor to form cationic intermediate C, which instantly isomerizes to form the more stable intermediate D, and after hydrolysis with trace amounts of water present in the reaction media, yields fluoroalkyl E-α,β-unsaturated ketone 3-2-1.
Scheme 13. Proposed Mechanism for Fluorinated Cation Enabled Isomerization

The reported electrophilic fluorination-nucleophilic addition reactions of glycals\textsuperscript{63} and other substrates\textsuperscript{57} using Selectfluor lend support to our proposal. It is likely that in our case an electrophilic fluorinated cation-enabled isomerization occurred to form the most stable stereoisomer before nucleophilic attack of trace water from the reaction mixture happened.

### 3.2.3 Summary

Our protocol can efficiently fluorinate a mixture of dienes 3-2-2 under mild conditions to give fluoroalkyl \textit{E-}\textit{\alpha,\beta}-unsaturated ketone 3-2-1 in good to excellent yield. Because all starting allenyl alcohols can be readily prepared using literature methodologies\textsuperscript{64} our methodology can be used to prepare a large variety of fluoroalkyl \textit{E-}\textit{\alpha,\beta}-unsaturated ketones. These ketones could be further functionalized; a case in point is the conversion to a fluorosugar precursor\textsuperscript{65} through dihydroxylation of a double bond.\textsuperscript{54a}
3.2.4 Experimental Section

General

The gold complex (3-2-4) and Selectfluor were purchased from Aldrich. All air and/or moisture sensitive reactions were carried out under argon atmosphere. Solvents (tetrahydrofuran, ether, dichloromethane and DMF) were chemically dried using a commercial solvent purification system. All other reagents and solvents were employed without further purification. The products were purified using a CombiFlash system or Chromatotron apparatus or a regular glass column. TLC was developed on Merck silica gel 60 F254 aluminum sheets. $^1$H, $^{13}$C and $^{19}$F NMR spectra were recorded at 500 (or 400), 126 (or 100) and 470 (or 376) MHz respectively, using CDCl$_3$ (or CD$_3$CN) as a solvent. The chemical shifts are reported in δ (ppm) values relative to CHCl$_3$ (7.26 ppm for $^1$H NMR and 77.0 ppm for $^{13}$C NMR) and CFCl$_3$ (0 ppm for $^{19}$F NMR), multiplicities are indicated by s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), p (pentet), h (hextet), m (multiplet) and br (broad). Coupling constants, $J$, are reported in Hertz. RTIR spectra were recorded in ATR (attenuated total reflection) solid mode using a Perkin Elmer Spectrum 100.

Experimental procedure

1. Preparation of allenyl alcohol

Allenyl alcohol precursors of 3-2-3a, 3-2-3e and 3-2-3g were prepared by Crabbe reaction.$^{64a}$
1-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-ol (396.0 mg, 3.0 mmol), paraformaldehyde (180.0 mg, 6.0 mmol), diisopropylamine (834.0 μL, 6.0 mmol), CuBr (257.4 mg, 1.8 mmol) and 1,4-dioxane (20 mL) were added into 50 mL round bottom reaction flask containing stir bar, and the flask was equipped with reflux condenser. The reaction mixture was refluxed in oil bath for 2 h, cooled to room temperature and filtered through silica gel (about 15 g) and washed by mixture of hexanes and ethyl acetate (100 mL, ration is 4:1). The solvent was removed in vacuum and the resulting residue was purified on silica gel column, which was eluted by hexanes and ethyl acetate to give 1-phenylbuta-2,3-dien-1-ol (292.0 mg, 67%).

Allenyl alcohol precursor of 3-2-3h was prepared by Ma’s methodology.  

Hex-1-yn-3-ol (556.2 μL, 5.0 mmol), octanal (779.5 μL, 5.0 mmol), morpholine (691.2 μL, 8.0 mmol), ZnI₂ (1276 mg, 4.0 mmol) and toluene (20 mL) were added into 50 mL round bottom reaction flask containing stir bar, and the flask was equipped with refluxing condenser. The reaction mixture was refluxed for 8 h in oil bath, cooled to room temperature and filtered through silica gel (about 20 g) and washed by mixture of hexanes and ethyl acetate (120 mL, ration is 4:1). The solvent was removed in vacuum and the resulting residue was purified on silica gel column, which was eluted by hexanes and ethyl acetate to give tetradeca-5,6-dien-4-ol (262.5 mg, 25%).

Allenyl alcohol precursor of 3-2-3i was prepared by Harada’s methodology.

Stannous chloride (568.8 mg, 3.0 mmol.), 1-bromo-2-butyne (262.55 μL, 3.0 mmol), sodium iodide (450.0 mg, 3.0 mmol) and DMF (5 mL) were added into 10 mL reaction
flask containing stir bar, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 1.5 h at room temperature. Then the reaction mixture was cooled at 0 °C, and benzaldehyde (305.755 μL, 3.0 mmol) in DMF (1 mL) was added dropwise and stirred for overnight. The reaction mixture was quenched by saturated ammonium chloride (20 mL) and followed by diethyl ether extraction (25 mL×4). The ether layers were combined and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated under reduced pressure, the resulting residue was subjected to silica gel chromatography eluted by hexanes and ethyl acetate system to yield 2-methyl-1-phenylbuta-2,3-dien-1-ol (384.0 mg, 80%).

2. Esterification of allenyl alcohol

Allenyl carbinol esters (3-2-3) were prepared from allenyl alcohols under standard conditions. ⁵⁹ᵃ

1-Phenylbuta-2,3-dien-1-ol (292.1 mg, 2.0 mmol), and triethylamine (417 μL, 3 mmol) were dissolved in dry dichloromethane (5.0 mL) at 0°C, in which the acetyl chloride (213 μL, 3 mmol) was added slowly over a 5 min period, and stirred for 10 min at 0°C. The resulting solution was stirred for 5 h at room temperature, and then saturated ammonium chloride solution (20 mL) was added to the reaction mixture, followed by diethyl ether extraction (25 mL×3). The ether layers were combined and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and evaporated under reduced pressure to yield 3-2-3a (357.2 mg, 95%).
3. Isomerization of allenyl carbinol esters (3-2-3) by gold complex 3-2-4\textsuperscript{59a}

Allenyl carbinol esters (3-2-3) (0.25 mmol) and gold complex (3-2-4) (1 mol %) were dissolved in CDCl\textsubscript{3} (1 mL), and stirred at room temperature and monitored by \textsuperscript{1}H-NMR until the reaction was completed. All allenyl carbinol esters 3-2-3 efficiently isomerized into dienes 3-2-2, and NMR yields were at least 95%.

4. Fluorination of dienes (3-2-2) with Selectfluor

The solvent (CDCl\textsubscript{3}) in the above reaction was carefully removed in vaccum, and Selectfluor (106 mg, 1.2 equiv.) and acetonitrile (1.5 mL) were added and stirred at room temperature for 3 h.

For 3-2-1a, the reaction mixture was subjected to short silica gel chromatography separation, which was eluted by gradient elution of hexanes and ethyl acetate.

For 3-2-1e, \(\alpha,\alpha,\alpha\)-trifluorotoluene (12.5 \(\mu\)L, 0.1 mmol) and CD\textsubscript{3}CN (0.5 mL) were added into reaction mixture to measure \(\textsuperscript{19}F\) NMR yield.

For 3-2-1g, 3-2-1h and 3-2-1i, the reaction mixture was filtered through approximately 10 g of silica gel, and washed by mixture of hexanes and ethyl acetate (4:1, 70 mL). Then, the solvent was evaporated, and the residue was dissolved in methanol (2-3 mL). CeCl\textsubscript{3}·7 H\textsubscript{2}O (186 mg, 0.4 mmol) was added into the methanol solution and the solution was placed at 0 °C (ice bath), and NaBH\textsubscript{4} (15 mg, 0.4 mmol) was added over 15 min, and the reaction was stirred for another 20 min at room temperature. Then the mixture was directly subjected to silica gel chromatography, eluted by a hexane-ethyl acetate system to give the corresponding allylic alcohols.
(E)-1-fluoro-4-phenylbut-3-en-2-one (3-2-1a)

![Structure](image)

$^1$H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77 (d, $J = 16.5$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 (m, 2H), 7.44 (m, 3H), 7.03 (dt, $J = 16.0$, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (dd, $J = 47.5$, 1.0 Hz, 2H).

$^{13}$C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 194.84 (d, $J = 18.3$ Hz), 145.09 (d, $J = 3.1$ Hz), 134.06, 131.20, 129.06, 128.73, 119.77, 84.78 ($J = 184.1$ Hz)

$^{19}$F NMR (470 MHz): δ -228.68 (dt, $J = 47.5$, 2.4 Hz).

FTIR (ATR, Attenuated Total Relextance)/ cm⁻¹: 3029, 2927, 1709, 1689, 1607, 1576, 1495, 1450, 1333, 1202, 1167, 1036, 998, 977, 748, 688.

(E)-1-fluorohept-3-en-2-one (3-2-1e)

![Structure](image)

NMR spectra was performed on mixture of 1e and ethyl acetate.

$^1$H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): (significant peaks) δ 7.05 (dt, $J = 16.0$, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 6.37 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.97 (d, $J = 47.5$Hz, 2H), 2.26 (m, 2H).

$^{19}$F NMR (470 MHz): δ -229.53 (t, $J = 47.9$ Hz).

(E)-1-fluoropentadec-3-en-2-ol, derived from (3-2-1g)

![Structure](image)
Contain less than 3 % saturated alcohol.

$^1$H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl$_3$): $\delta$ 5.83 (dt, $J = 15.2$, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.41 (dd, $J = 15.6$, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (m, 0.5H), 4.34 (m, 2H), 4.20 (m, 0.5H), 2.04 (q, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1H), 1.25-1.39 (m, 18H), 0.87 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H).

$^{13}$C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl$_3$): $\delta$ 135.54 (d, $J = 1.5$ Hz), 125.89 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz), 86.36 (d, $J = 171.2$ Hz), 71.48 (d, $J = 19.4$ Hz), 32.31, 31.89, 29.64, 29.61, 29.56, 29.44, 29.32, 29.12, 28.91, 22.66, 14.09.

$^{19}$F NMR (376 MHz): $\delta$ -225.54 (dt, $J = 48.1$, 17.7 Hz).

FTIR (ATR)/ cm$^{-1}$: 3420, 2924, 2854, 1466, 1012.

(E)-7-fluorotetradec-4-en-6-ol (dr = 4:1), derived from (3-2-1h)

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\begin{align*}
\text{H} & \quad \text{OH} \\
\text{F} & \quad \text{C} \\
\text{C} & \quad \text{C} \\
\end{align*}
\]

Contain less than 3 % saturated alcohol.

Major diastereomers:

$^1$H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl$_3$): $\delta$ 5.79 (dt, $J = 15.2$, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.42 (dd, $J = 15.6$, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (m, 0.5H), 4.23 (m, 0.5H), 4.05 (m, 1H), 2.04 (m, 2H), 1.26-1.62 (m, 14H), 0.87 (m, 6H).
$^{13}$C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl$_3$): $\delta$ 135.47, 127.34 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz), 96.61 (d, $J = 171.1$ Hz), 74.72 (d, $J = 20.9$ Hz), 34.38, 31.72, 30.94, 29.34, 29.09, 24.93, 22.59, 22.08, 14.04, 13.61.

$^{19}$F NMR (376 MHz): $\delta$ -192.30 (m).

FTIR (ATR)/ cm$^{-1}$: 3427, 2926, 2857, 1464, 970.

(E)-1-fluoro-3-methyl-4-phenylbut-3-en-2-ol, derived from (3-2-li)

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\begin{align*}
\text{OH} \\
\text{F}
\end{align*}
\]

$^1$H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl$_3$): $\delta$ 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.27 (m, 3H), 6.67 (s, 1H), 4.61 (dd, $J = 9.0$, 2.5 Hz, 0.5H), 4.51 (m, 2H), 4.39 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 0.5H), 1.92 (d, $J = 1.5$ Hz, 3H).

$^{13}$C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl$_3$): $\delta$ 136.95, 134.67 (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz), 128.97, 128.16, 127.73 (d, $J = 1.6$ Hz), 126.79, 85.73 (d, $J = 172.2$ Hz), 75.80 (d, $J = 19.4$ Hz), 14.58.

$^{19}$F NMR (470 MHz): $\delta$ -225.33 (dt, $J = 47.5$, 17.4 Hz).

Stereochemistry was determined by ROSEY spectra.

FTIR (ATR)/ cm$^{-1}$: 3397, 2977, 1723, 1448, 1055, 903, 751, 698.
3.3. Combination of Copper and Selectfluor: a Strong yet Selective Oxidant System

3.3.1 Hydroxyl Group Directed C-H Amination

3.3.1.1 Background

Selectfluor is not only a good fluorinating agent, but also a good oxidant. Selectfluor can be an oxidant in functional group transformations,\(^{45}\) halogens (iodine),\(^{46}\) C-H functionalization,\(^{47}\) gold-catalyzed oxidative C-C and C-heteroatom bond formation,\(^{48}\) and palladium catalyzed C-C or C-heteroatom bond formation.\(^{49}\) Banks and co-workers have reported a hydroxyl group directed C-H amination using Selectfluor in refluxing acetonitrile (Scheme 14).\(^{66}\) (-)-Menthol 3-3-1-1a and Selectfluor (2.2 equiv.) were refluxed in acetonitrile for 16 h, and oxazoline derivative 3-3-1-2a was isolated in moderate yield; 3-3-1-2a gave amination product 3-3-1-3a after basic hydrolysis.

![Scheme 14. Hydroxyl Group Directed C-H amination by Selectfluor in Acetonitrile](image)

Although Bank’s amination protocol is novel and potentially very useful, its harsh reaction conditions make it unattractive for synthetic purposes.

3.3.1.2 Copper Catalyzed C-H Amination by Selectfluor

To make Bank’s amination milder, we screened various transition metal catalysts and found that copper salts could be suitable catalysts, but CuBr was the best (Table 6).
Table 6. Screening for a Suitable Transition Metal Catalyst

(-)-Menthol (1 equiv.), Selectfluor (2.2 equiv.) and CuBr (10 mol %) were mixed in acetonitrile at room temperature for 2 h, and following basic hydrolysis the reaction gave moderate yields of the amination product 3-3-1-3a (entry 10, Table 6). We confirmed through HRMS that the reaction goes through an oxazoline intermediate. Our conditions were definitely milder than Banks’ but when we examined the substrate scope using our optimized conditions, we were disappointed to find that only two alcohol substrates worked well (Table 7); most of the other alcohols tried were oxidized by the combination...
of CuBr and Selectfluor. The two alcohols in Table 7 that were successfully aminated using our conditions share a similar feature, that is, they are sterically very hindered.

Table 7. Substrate Scope of Hydroxyl Group Directed C-H Amination

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<tr>
<th>Entry</th>
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<th>Yield* of 3</th>
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<td><img src="image" alt="3-3-1-3b, 43%" /></td>
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*Isolated yield, calculated on 3-3-1-1.

We were not the only ones that realized the importance of Bank's approach; very recently, Baran and co-workers reported a C-H amination protocol, which is very similar to ours, but with wider scope. The key to their success was the use of a zinc salt in combination with copper(II) bromide. In the following sections, we explore the oxidative ability of copper and Selectflur.

3.3.1.3 Experimental

The alcohol 3-3-1-1 (0.25 mmol, 1 equiv.), Selectfluor (0.55 mmol, 2.2 equiv.) and CuBr (0.025 mmol, 0.1 equiv.) were dissolved in acetonitrile (5 mL) and stirred at room
temperature for 2 h. NaOH (1.25 mmol, 5 equiv.) and water (5 mL) were added into the reaction mixture and stirred at room temperature for 5 h. Then, saturated ammonium chloride solution (30 mL) was added into the reaction mixture and extracted with diethyl ether (25 mL x 4). The ether layers were combined and dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product. Silica gel flash chromatography of the crude product [hexanes-ethyl acetate (4:1) to hexanes-ethyl acetate (2:1)] yielded the amination product 3-3-1-3, which was 3-3-1-3 characterized by its ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra.

N-(2-((1S,2R,4R)-2-hydroxy-4-methylcyclohexyl)propan-2-yl)acetamide (3-3-1-3a)

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{\textit{H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃):} } & \delta 0.90 (d, J=6.5Hz, 3H), 0.93 (m, 2H), 1.06 (m, 1H), 1.30 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 3H), 1.50 (m, 2H), 1.66 (m, 1H), 1.78 (m, 1H), 1.86 (s, 3H), 1.91 (m, 1H), 3.67 (dt, , J=4.0, 10Hz, 1H), 5.52 (bs, 1H). \\
\end{align*}
\]

N-(4-hydroxy-2,6-dimethylheptan-2-yl)acetamide (3-3-1-3b)

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{\textit{H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃):} } & \delta 0.90 (d, J=6.5Hz, 3H), 0.93 (m, 2H), 1.06 (m, 1H), 1.30 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 3H), 1.50 (m, 2H), 1.66 (m, 1H), 1.78 (m, 1H), 1.86 (s, 3H), 1.91 (m, 1H), 3.67 (dt, , J=4.0, 10Hz, 1H), 5.52 (bs, 1H). \\
\end{align*}
\]
$^1$H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl$_3$): $\delta$ 0.90 (d, $J=6.5$Hz, 3H), 0.91 (d, $J=6.5$Hz, 3H), 1.20 (m, 1H), 1.38 (s, 3H), 1.42 (s, 3H), 1.44 (m, 2H), 1.70 (m, 2H), 1.87 (s, 3H), 2.96 (d, $J=4.5$Hz, 1H), 3.95 (m, 1H), 7.09 (bs, 1H).

3.3.2 Copper-Mediated Oxidation of Amides into Imides by Selectfluor (F-TEDA-BF₄)

3.3.2.1 Background

Imides are core structures in many therapeutic and agrochemical agents (Figure 5). Imides can be prepared through condensation of carboxylic acid derivatives and ammonia or primary amine, or other protocols, such as cross coupling, oxidation of oxazoles, N-formylation, and reaction of aziridines.

![Chemical structures](image)

Figure 5. Therapeutic and Agrochemical Agents Containing the Imide Moiety

We were interested in a direct synthetic pathway to prepare an unsymmetrical imide by direct oxidation of the α-methylene group of an amide. Several methods to accomplish this transformation have been reported. However, efficient methodologies for α-methylene oxidation are relatively rare; most of the reported oxidative methods suffer from low yields and/or limited substrate scope. For example, although RuO₄ is widely recognized as a strong oxidant for amide oxidation, it can oxidize even unactivated tertiary C-H bonds. Of the efficient oxidative methods reported thus far, one employs a heavy metal (chromium VI) reagent, and although Nicolau and coworkers demonstrated that such toxic heavy metal oxidant could be supplanted by the more environmentally benign Dess–Martin periodinane (DMP), their method required heating the hypervalent iodine reagent to relatively high temperatures (80-85°C). In this
section we report a room temperature synthesis of imides from amides using a combination of copper (I) bromide and Selectfluor (F-TEDA-BF₄).

3.3.2.2 Screening for Suitable Oxidative Conditions

Selectfluor is an easy-handling and bench-stable electrophilic fluorinating agent. In the course of our work on Selectfluor/gold-mediated oxidative coupling and copper catalyzed amination, we found that a combination of copper (I) bromide and Selectfluor is a strong oxidation system that can efficiently oxidize amides into imides. We chose amide 3-3-2-1a as a substrate to screen for optimum oxidation conditions (Table 8). Amide 3-3-2-1a, Selectfluor (2.2 equiv.) and copper bromide (10%) were mixed in acetonitrile at room temperature for 1 h to afford 10% yield of imide 3-3-2-2a—the same yield as the load of the copper salt—together with unreacted starting material (entry 1). When the copper load was increased to 1 equivalent, we obtained a moderate yield of imide (entry 2); however, use of 1 equivalent of Selectfluor gave a low yield (entry 3). Entries 4 and 5 showed that both copper bromide and Selectfluor are indispensable for the oxidation to proceed. CuCl₂ alone, or together with Selectfluor (entries 6 and 7), has no effect on the transformation. Similarly, the use of different copper salts, such as CuOTf, CuBF₄, CuCl, CuI and Cu(OTf)₂ gave small amounts of imide (entries 8 to 12). Since the main difference among these copper salts is the counterion, which showed remarkably dissimilar results, and because it has been reported that bromide can be oxidized to bromine cation⁷⁴ we examined the role of bromide, and found that bromide itself (KBr) was not the active species (entry 13). Inspired by White’s work,⁷⁵ CuBr was added in five portions over 32 min, improving our results (entry 14). Using a similar portion-wise addition, the highest yield of imide was attained increasing the amount of
both Selectfluor and CuBr (entry 15); hence, it was chosen as the optimized condition for this oxidation.

Table 8. Screening for Optimal Oxidation Conditions

<table>
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<th>Entry</th>
<th>Selectfluor (equiv.)</th>
<th>Metal (or other) (equiv.)</th>
<th>% Yield&lt;sup&gt;a&lt;/sup&gt; (%)&lt;sup&gt;b&lt;/sup&gt; (SM)&lt;sup&gt;c&lt;/sup&gt;</th>
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<sup>a</sup> All reactions were conducted in acetonitrile at room temperature for 1 h.  
<sup>b</sup> NMR yield. Benzyl bromide as internal standard.  
<sup>c</sup> Starting material.  
<sup>d</sup> CuBF<sub>4</sub> was generated in situ.  
<sup>e</sup> Copper bromide was added 6 portions over 40 min.  
<sup>f</sup> Copper bromide was added 6 portions over 40 min.  
<sup>g</sup> Acetonitrile: water=100:3 (v/v).  

Although water may be a possible oxygen source in this oxidation, small amounts of water (entry 16) had a deleterious effect in this reaction.
3.3.2.3 Examination of Amide Scope

Next, we examined the substrate scope. Amide 3-3-2-1a (Table 9, entry 1, Condition A) was readily oxidized by the combination of copper bromide and Selectfluor to give imide 3-3-2-2a in excellent yield after 1 h, together with small amounts of unreacted starting material. Similarly, amides 3-3-2-1b, 3-3-2-1c, 3-3-2-1d, and 3-3-2-1e afforded the corresponding imides in high yields (entries 2-5). Branched amide 3-3-2-1f gave moderate yields (entry 6); this may be due to the steric hindrance, but the unreacted amide could be recycled. Amide 3-3-2-1g also gave moderate yield of 3-3-2-2g together with small amount of unreacted 3-3-2-1g (entry 7), but the reason for this lower yield is unknown. The oxidation of 3-3-2-1h gave 3-3-2-2h in high yield (entry 8); and the reaction with amidoesters 3-3-2-1i, 3-3-2-1j was chemoselective (entries 9 and 10). Unfortunately, the presence of hydroxyl groups, double or triple bonds is not tolerated in this reaction due to a possible over oxidation.

3.3.2.4 Investigation of the Oxygen Source

There are two possible sources of oxygen for the newly incorporated oxygen in imide 3-3-2-2, namely dioxygen in air and trace amounts of water in the reaction media. We conducted the reaction under nitrogen, and found that 50% of the imide was formed. Since commercial Selectfluor always contains trace amounts of water, we could not conduct the reaction under strictly anhydrous conditions. On the other hand, when substrate 3-3-2-1b was oxidized in acetonitrile (dried shortly before use) containing 0.1% H_2^{18}O, we observed ^18O (45%) incorporation in imide 3-3-2-2b (confirmed by HRMS and ^13C NMR of 3-3-2-2b) (Figure 6 and 7 in experimental section), which
Table 9. Comparison of the Effectiveness of Selectfluor (F-TEDA- BF₄) (Condition A) and F-TEDA- PF₆ (Condition B) in Amide Oxidation

<table>
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<th>Entry</th>
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<th>Imides</th>
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<sup>a</sup> Yield was based on starting amide. <sup>b</sup> Starting material recovery. <sup>c</sup> Condition A: Amide 3-3-2-1 (0.25 mmol), Selectfluor (F-TEDA- BF₄) (0.625 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) and CuBr (0.3 mmol, 1.2 equiv., added in six portions over 40 min) reacted in acetonitrile (5 mL) at room temperature for 1 h. <sup>d</sup> Condition B: Amide 3-3-2-1 (0.25 mmol), F-TEDA- PF₆ (0.55 mmol, 2.2 equiv.) and CuBr (0.025 mmol, 0.1 equiv.) reacted in acetonitrile (5 mL) at room temperature for 3-6 h.
clearly demonstrated that trace water in the reaction acts as the oxygen source (Scheme 15).

Since all amides in Table 9 are secondary amides, a tertiary amide 3-3-2-1k was employed to examine whether the N-H moiety is important (Scheme 16). Most of the unreacted amide 3-3-2-1k was recycled and only small amounts of oxidation product 3-3-2-2b (20%) were isolated, together with an unknown by-product, the yield being lower than that obtained with a similar substrate in entry 2 of Table 9, hinting to the possibility that N-H played a role in the oxidation.

![Scheme 15. Evidence of Trace H₂O as Ultimate Oxygen Source](image1)

![Scheme 16. Tertiary Amide not Suitable for This Oxidation](image2)
3.3.3 Copper Catalyzed Oxidation of Amide into Imide by F-TEDA-PF$_6$

3.3.3.1 Examination of Amide Substrate Scope

We reported above that a combination of stoichiometric amounts of CuBr and excess Selectfluor (F-TEDA-BF$_4$) can oxidize amides into imides at room temperature.$^{78}$ Although this method is efficient, the use of a stoichiometric amount of copper makes the methodology unattractive for process chemists, so we investigated alternative conditions that would permit use of a catalytic amount of a cuprous salt. Here we are pleased to disclose an exciting finding: a simple counterion exchange on Selectfluor (F-TEDA-PF$_6$ instead of F-TEDA-BF$_4$) permits the amount of copper catalyst to be reduced significantly (to 10 mol %). The oxidizing power of F-TEDA-PF$_6$, which can be prepared easily from Selectfluor, is at least as potent as Selectfluor itself; amides are oxidized to imides as rapidly and efficiently as we reported previously despite the significant reduction in CuBr loading.

The results of amide oxidation experiments are summarized in Table 9, Condition B. First, amide 3-3-2-1a, CuBr (10 mol %) and F-TEDA-PF$_6$ (2.2 equiv.) reacted in acetonitrile for 5 h, giving a similar yield of imide (3-3-2-2a) (entry 1) (condition B) to our previous result using condition A, albeit utilizing longer reaction times. Similarly, amides 3-3-2-1b (entry 2) and 3-3-2-1c (entry 3) were also efficiently oxidized to the corresponding imides in good yield under the new condition B. Entry 4 (amide 3-3-2-1d) demonstrated that condition B was superior to condition A. In entries 5, 6 and 7, amides worked well with the new protocol, without exceptions. The highest yield was observed with fluorinated amide 3-3-2-1h (entry 8), and esters groups tolerated both, the new and the former oxidative systems (entries 9 and 10). Unfortunately, both oxidative systems,
the combination of CuBr (1.2 equiv.) and F-TEDA-BF$_4$ or the combination of CuBr (0.1 equiv.) and F-TEDA-PF$_6$, failed to oxidize lactam 3-3-2-11 (Scheme 17), indicating that only acyclic amides are suitable substrate for these two oxidative systems.

![Scheme 17. Limitation of The Copper Catalyzed/Mediated oxidations](image)

### 3.3.3.2 Mechanistic Investigations

Nicolaou has proposed a mechanism$^{71c}$ for amide oxidation by DMP, in which the amide was dehydrogenated to form imine intermediate 3-3-2-3. Compound 3-3-2-3 reacts with water to generate hemiaminal 3-3-2-4, which can be further oxidized by DMP to give the final product 3-3-2-2 (Scheme 18). Initially, we thought that our oxidation probably proceeded through a similar reaction mechanism since the ultimate source of the newly formed oxygen comes from trace water in the reaction mixture.

![Scheme 18. Nicolaou’s Proposal of Amide Oxidation by DMP](image)
In order to confirm the above assumption, we added an aromatic compound with moderate electron density, N-arylacetamide, to the reaction mixture to capture intermediate 3-3-2-3; two attempts are outlined in Scheme 19.

![Scheme 19. Attempt to Capture Possible Imine Intermediate](image)

Amide 3-3-2-1h and N-arylacetamide were mixed using condition B in Table 9 (eq. 1, Scheme 17). Surprisingly, amide 3-3-2-1h was not oxidized into 3-3-2-2h; instead N-arylacetamide was fluorinated and no imine-captured product was observed. Then we added N-arylacetamide to the reaction mixture 30 min later (eq. 2). Imide (25%) and fluorinated N-arylacetamide were observed, but no imine-captured product was detected. The above two observations indicate that the oxidation pathway probably does not involve any imine intermediate. Lactam 3-3-2-11 can not be oxidized in both systems (Scheme 17), which may be owed to that imine intermediate of lactam 3-3-2-11 is much harder to be formed compared to acyclic amide. Therefore, possible formation of imine intermediate 3-3-2-3 can not be excluded.
It is not clear to us yet what is the role of copper salt in this oxidation. We observed that 
$^1$H NMR of the reaction was complicated by line broadening effects when Selectfluor (or
F-TEDA-PF$_6$) was added; however, we failed to detect the presence of paramagnetic 
Cu(II) by EPR at room temperature. Therefore, high valent Cu(III), possibly formed from 
oxidation of Cu(I) by Selectfluor, is proposed to be a possible oxidant for this reaction. 
Considering that a Cu(III) species may not be very stable (isolable only using specific 
ligands), a multi-portion addition of CuBr (in the case of Selectfluor) could reduce the 
decomposition of Cu(III) complex and thus improve the yield of 3-3-2-2 (see entries 2 
and 14 in Table 8). A premixed solution of CuBr and Selectfluor is still active, although it 
gave lower yields.$^{79}$

While Selectfluor (F-TEDA-BF$_4$) uses stoichiometric amount of CuBr to oxidize amide, 
F-TEDA-PF$_6$ needs only catalytic amount of CuBr (10%). Browsing through literature 
reports of fluorination reactions, the difference between PF$_6^-$ and BF$_4^-$ is not significant.$^{80}$

Our rationale to explain the above difference in reactivity is the following: we assume 
that the different copper loading is due to the stability of the active Cu(III) species (A) 
and (B) (Schemes 20). Although both complexes A and B may have oxidative activity, 
high valence copper in A easily removes a fluoride ion from BF$_4^-$ to form complex C, 
which is probably less reactive than A. Therefore, large amounts of CuBr are needed for 
oxidation in the case of F-TEDA-BF$_4$. Another possibility is that the smaller water 
content in F-TEDA-PF$_6$ compared with commercial Selectfluor could account for the 
improved imide yields.
Scheme 20. Proposed Rationale for Different Effect of BF₄⁻ and PF₆⁻

However, for the high valence copper in B it is difficult to take up the fluoride ion from PF₆⁻ to form complex C due to the stronger P-F bond in the PF₆⁻, therefore, B remains active in the reaction system. Computational studies reported by Christe and co-workers, support our rationale: PF₅ has a much stronger affinity (94.9 kcal/mol) towards fluoride ion than BF₃ (83.1 kcal/mol).

3.3.3.3 Summary

We have developed a mild and efficient methodology of copper-mediated oxidation of amide into imide by Selectfluor. Simply changing the counterion on Selectfluor (F-TEDA-PF₆ instead of F-TEDA-BF₄) can significantly reduce the amount of copper (CuBr, 10 mol %) needed. The oxidative ability of copper bromide (10 mol %) and F-TEDA-PF₆ is as efficient as that of stoichiometric amount of copper bromide and Selectfluor. Both methodologies could be useful to synthesize the imide group, but more detailed mechanistic studies are needed to clarify the effects of the anion BF₄⁻ viz-a-viz PF₆⁻.

3.3.3.4 Experimental Section

General
\(^1\)H NMR (400 MHz), \(^{13}\)C NMR (100 MHz) and \(^{19}\)F NMR (376 MHz) spectra were recorded on a Varian MR400 NMR spectrometer. Chemical shifts (\(\delta\)) were reported as part per million (ppm). \(\delta\) 7.26, \(\delta\) 77.00 of CHCl\(_3\), 0.00 of CFCI\(_3\) were used as internal standards for \(^1\)H NMR, \(^{13}\)C-NMR and \(^{19}\)F-NMR spectra, respectively. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were performed at mass spectrometry facility of Center for Regulatory and Environmental Analytical Metabolomics, University of Louisville. Melting points were measured using a DigiMelt MPA160 melting point apparatus. RTIR spectra were recorded in ATR (attenuated total reflection) solid mode using a Perkin Elmer Spectrum 100.

**General procedure for the preparation of amides 3-3-2-1**

The corresponding amine (3 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and triethylamine (3 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) were dissolved in dry dichloromethane (6 mL) at 0\(^\circ\)C, in which the corresponding acid chloride (3 mmol, 1 equiv.) was added slowly over a 10 min period, and stirred for 10 min at 0 \(^\circ\)C. The resulting solution was stirred for 30 min at room temperature, and then saturated ammonium chloride solution (15 mL) was added to the reaction mixture, followed by diethyl ether extraction (25 mL \(\times\)4). The ether layers were combined and dried over anhydrous Na\(_2\)SO\(_4\), filtered and evaporated under reduced pressure to yield amide 3-3-2-1.

**General procedure for copper-mediated oxidation of amide 3-3-2-1 to imide 3-3-2-2 by Selectfluor (F-TEDA-BF\(_4\)) (Condition A)**

Amide 3-3-2-1 (0.25 mmol, 1 equiv.) and Selectfluor (0.625 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) were dissolved in acetonitrile (5 mL) at room temperature, and CuBr (0.3 mmol, 1.2 equiv.)
was added over a 40 min period in 6 portions. After all the CuBr was added, the resulting mixture was stirred for extra 20 min, and then acetonitrile was evaporated under reduced pressure. Saturated ammonium chloride solution (20 mL) was added into reaction mixture and extracted with diethyl ether (25 mL×4); the ether layers were combined and dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, evaporated under reduced pressure to give the crude product. Silica gel flash chromatography of the crude product [hexanes-ethyl acetate (10:1) to hexanes-ethyl acetate (4:1)] yielded pure imide 3-3-2-2.

**Preparation of F-TEDA-PF₆ from Selectfluor (F-TEDA-BF₄)**

The procedure followed a literature report.⁸⁰ Since a large amount of BF₄⁻ has a deleterious effect on CuBr loading, it is strongly recommended that F-TEDA-PF₆ contain small amounts of BF₄⁻, and that the ratio of PF₆⁻ and BF₄ is at least 5.5:1.

Selectfluor (1062 mg, 3.00 mmol) and ammonium hexafluorophosphate (2934 mg, 18.0 mmol) were dissolved in H₂O (10 mL) at room temperature and stirred for 1.5 h. The mixture was filtered and washed with H₂O (10 × 5 mL) and Et₂O (30 mL) to afford F-TEDA-PF₆ (1400 mg, 97 %).

**General procedure for copper-catalyzed oxidation of amide 3-3-2-1 to imide 3-3-2-2 by F-TEDA-PF₆ (Condition B)**

Amide 3-3-2-1 (0.25 mmol, 1 equiv.), F-TEDA-PF₆ (0.625 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) and CuBr (0.025 mmol, 0.1 equiv.) were dissolved in acetonitrile (5 mL) and stirred at room temperature for 3-6 h, monitored by TLC until the reaction showed no further progress. The work-up was the same as in Condition A.
N-(3-Methyl-butyryl)-benzamide, (3-3-2-2a)\textsuperscript{70b}

\[
\begin{align*}
&\text{\textbf{1}H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl}_3\text{: }\delta 8.92 (bs, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (t, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.82 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.18 (m, 1H), 0.96 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 6H).} \\
&\text{\textbf{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl}_3\text{: }\delta 175.9, 165.6, 133.1, 132.9, 128.9, 127.7, 46.2, 24.8, 22.52.}
\end{align*}
\]

N-Acetyl-benzamide, (3-3-2-2b)\textsuperscript{70b}

\[
\begin{align*}
&\text{\textbf{1}H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl}_3\text{: }\delta 9.20 (bs, 1H), 7.88 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.58 (s, 3H).} \\
&\text{\textbf{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl}_3\text{: d 173.9, 165.9, 133.2, 132.6, 128.9, 127.8, 25.6.} \\
&\text{HRMS m/z (ES\textsuperscript{+}) calculated for C}_9\text{H}_9\text{NO}_2\text{Na ([M+Na]\textsuperscript{+}) 186.0525, found 186.0525.}
\end{align*}
\]

3-Methyl-N-octanoyl-butyramide (3-3-2-2c)

\[
\begin{align*}
&\text{White crystal, mp: 52-54°C.}
\end{align*}
\]
\textsuperscript{1}H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}): \delta 8.70 (bs, 1H), 2.57 (t, \( J = 6.0 \) Hz, 2H), 2.43 (d, \( J = 5.6 \) Hz, 2H), 2.12 (m, 1H), 1.60 (m, 2H), 1.25-1.29 (m, 8H), 0.95-0.97 (m, 6H), 0.85 (m, 3H).

\textsuperscript{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}): \delta 174.7, 173.6, 46.3, 37.4, 31.6, 29.0, 28.9, 25.2, 24.3, 22.6, 22.4, 14.0.

FTIR (neat)/cm\textsuperscript{-1}: 3269, 3175, 2957, 2927, 1732, 1505, 1161.

HRMS m/z (ES\textsuperscript{+}) calcd for C\textsubscript{13}H\textsubscript{23}NO\textsubscript{2}Na ([M+Na]\textsuperscript{+}) 250.1777, found 250.1777.

N-Propionyl-benzamide (3-3-2-2d\textsuperscript{70b})

\begin{center}
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\end{center}

\textsuperscript{1}H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}): \delta 9.32 (bs, 1H), 7.90 (d, \( J = 8.4 \) Hz, 2H), 7.56 (t, \( J = 7.6 \) Hz, 1H), 7.46 (t, \( J = 7.6 \) Hz, 2H), 3.00 (q, \( J = 7.2 \) Hz, 2H), 1.18 (t, \( J = 7.2 \) Hz, 3H).

\textsuperscript{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}): \delta 177.7, 165.8, 133.1, 132.8, 128.8, 127.8, 31.2, 8.2.

N-Benzoyl-benzamide (3-3-2-2e\textsuperscript{70b})

\begin{center}
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\textsuperscript{1}H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}): \delta 9.20 (bs, 1H), 7.81 (d, \( J = 8.0 \) Hz, 4H), 7.53 (t, \( J = 7.2 \) Hz, 2H), 7.42 (t, \( J = 7.6 \) Hz, 4H).

\textsuperscript{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}): \delta 166.6, 133.3, 132.9, 128.8, 127.9.
Heptanoic acid (2-ethyl-hexanoyl)-amide (3-3-2-2f)

\[ \text{Heptanoic acid (2-ethyl-hexanoyl)-amide (3-3-2-2f)} \]

White crystal, mp: 45-47°C.

\(^1\)H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl\(_3\)): δ 8.75 (bs, 1H), 2.74 (t, \(J = 7.6\) Hz, 2H), 2.42 (m, 1H), 1.57-1.66 (m, 4H), 1.36-1.47 (m, 2H), 1.22-1.26 (m, 10H), 0.84-0.90 (m, 9H).

\(^1\)C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl\(_3\)): δ 176.3, 176.0, 49.4, 37.5, 31.7, 31.5, 29.5, 28.8, 25.4, 24.2, 22.7, 22.5, 13.9, 13.8, 11.7.

FTIR (neat)/cm\(^{-1}\): 2959, 2931, 2860, 1738, 1686, 1510, 1166.

HRMS m/z (ES\(^+\)) calcd for C\(_{15}\)H\(_{20}\)NO\(_2\)H ([M+H]\(^+\)) 256.2271, found 256.2271. Calcd for C\(_{15}\)H\(_{20}\)NO\(_2\)Na ([M+Na]\(^+\)) 278.2090, found 278.2090.

Cyclohexanecarboxylic acid 4-fluoro-benzoylamide (3-3-2-2g)

\[ \text{Cyclohexanecarboxylic acid 4-fluoro-benzoylamide (3-3-2-2g)} \]

White crystal, mp: 136-138°C.

\(^1\)H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl\(_3\)): δ 8.92 (bs, 1H), 7.89-7.93 (m, 2H), 7.12-7.17 (m, 2H), 3.32-3.38 (m, 1H), 1.22-1.98 (m, 11H).

\(^1\)C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl\(_3\)): δ 179.4, 165.6 (\(J = 253.8\) Hz), 164.4, 130.4 (\(J = 8.9\) Hz), 129.2 (\(J = 3.7\) Hz), 116.0 (\(J = 22.3\) Hz), 44.5, 28.9, 25.8, 25.5.
$^{19}$F NMR (376 MHz): $\delta$ -105.1 (m).

FTIR (neat)/cm$^{-1}$: 3426, 2932, 2855, 1680, 1602, 1492, 1237, 1157.

HRMS $m/z$ (ES$^+$) calcd for C$_{14}$H$_{16}$FNO$_2$H ([M+H]$^+$) 250.1237, found 250.1237. Calcd for C$_{14}$H$_{16}$FNO$_2$Na ([M+Na]$^+$) 272.1057. found 272.1056.

4-Fluoro-N-propionyl-benzamide (3-3-2-2h)

![4-Fluoro-N-propionyl-benzamide](image)

White crystal, mp: 118-120°C.

$^1$H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl$_3$): $\delta$ 9.48 (bs, 1H), 7.95-7.98 (m, 2H), 7.12-7.16 (m, 2H), 3.00 (q, $J=7.2$ Hz, 2H), 1.18 (t, $J=7.2$ Hz, 3H).

$^{13}$C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl$_3$): $\delta$ 178.1, 165.6 ($J=253.8$ Hz), 164.8, 130.6 ($J=9.7$ Hz), 128.9 ($J=3.8$ Hz), 115.9 ($J=22.3$ Hz), 31.2, 8.1.

$^{19}$F NMR (376 MHz): $\delta$ -105.1 (m).

FTIR (neat)/cm$^{-1}$: 1690, 1604, 1469, 1370, 1239.

HRMS $m/z$ (ES$^+$) calcd for C$_{10}$H$_{10}$FNO$_2$H ([M+H]$^+$) 196.0768, found 196.0768. Calcd for C$_{10}$H$_{10}$FNO$_2$Na ([M+Na]$^+$) 218.0587, found 218.0587.

Benzoic acid 6-benzoylamino-6-oxo-hexyl ester (3-3-2-2i)

![Benzoic acid 6-benzoylamino-6-oxo-hexyl ester](image)
White crystal, mp: 86-88°C.

$^1$H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl$_3$): $\delta$ 9.33 (bs, 1H), 8.00 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.89 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.37-7.57 (m, 6H), 4.30 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 3.02 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 1.73-1.83 (m, 4H), 1.52-1.57 (m, 2H).

$^{13}$C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl$_3$): $\delta$ 176.7, 166.6, 165.9, 133.1, 132.8, 132.7, 130.4, 129.5, 128.8, 128.3, 127.9, 64.8, 37.5, 28.6, 25.6, 23.7.

FTIR (neat)/cm$^{-1}$: 3426, 1716, 1683, 1457, 1275, 1244.

HRMS m/z (ES$^+$) calcd for C$_{20}$H$_{21}$NO$_4$H ([M+H$^+$]) 340.1543, found 340.1544. Calcd for C$_{20}$H$_{21}$NO$_4$Na ([M+Na$^+$]) 362.1363, found 362.1363.

4-Benzoylamino-4-oxo-butyric acid methyl ester (3-3-2-2j)$^8$2

4-H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl$_3$): $\delta$ 9.49 (bs, 1H), 7.90 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.57 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.31 (t, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.67 (t, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 1H).

$^{13}$C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl$_3$): $\delta$ 175.5, 172.9, 165.9, 133.1, 132.5, 128.8, 127.9, 51.8, 32.9, 28.1.
Figure 6. HRMS of Imide 3-3-2-2b and O\textsuperscript{18} labeled 3-3-2-2b

Figure 7. \textsuperscript{13}C NMR of Carbonyl Groups in Imide 3-3-2-2b and O\textsuperscript{18} labeled 3-3-2-2b
4. SEARCH FOR CYTOTOXIC AGENTS FROM THE AMAZONIAN RAINFOREST

4.1. Background

Nature has been a major source of inspiration for the development of front-line-drugs for cancer, Alzheimer's and other diseases. Some well-known drugs or drug candidates isolated from natural source are shown in Figure 8.

![Epothilone C](image1.png)

**Epothilone C**

![Taxol](image2.png)

**Taxol**

![Bryostatin 16](image3.png)

**Bryostatin 16**

![(-)-Nakadomarin A](image4.png)

**(-)-Nakadomarin A**

Figure 8. Drugs and Drug Candidates Isolated from Natural Source
All of them have interesting biological activities and complex architecturally skeletons, but they pose a synthetic challenge. A multidisciplinary and international program that included the Hammond group--formed in the early 1990's--isolated many bioactive compounds from different plant sources in the Amazonian rainforest. In some cases bioactive analogs were synthesized in the Hammond group and our collaborators tested their biological activities. This chapter reports our results with 13 targeted plants from the Amazonian rainforest (Table 10).

Table 10. List of Targeted Plants

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GTS, BALB/3T3 clone A31 embryonic mouse fibroblast cells; H460, human large cell lung cancer; ME180, human cervical carcinoma; DU145, human prostate carcinoma; MCF-7, human breast adenocarcinoma; M-14, human melanoma; HT-29, human colon adenocarcinoma; PC3, human prostate adenocarcinoma; K562, human chronic myelogenous leukemia cells.
4.2. *Physalis angulata* L. (Solanaceae)

The genus *Physalis* (Solanaceae) is represented by almost 90 species distributed throughout the tropical and subtropical regions of the world where it has been widely used in folk medicine by developing countries. As a result of its medicinal value, there has been significant interest to evaluate the phytochemical and pharmaceutical properties of *Physalis angulata* L. Previously, physanolide, and other withanolides, including withangulatin, physangulin, and physalin, in addition to other constituents isolated from *P. angulata*, were found to show significant biological activity.

Here we disclose the discovery of three new anti-proliferative withanolides with an unusual carbon framework, namely, physangulidines A (1), B (2) and C (3), isolated from *P. angulata* L. using a bioassay-directed isolation technique. The ethanol extract of the dried plant was partitioned between water and dichloromethane, the active organic layer subjected to silica gel column chromatography and the most active fractions further purified via HPLC to afford the three active components.

Physangulidine A (1), mp is 213.0-215.0°C (MeOH), was isolated as white crystalline needles, whose molecular formula was determined to be C_{28}H_{36}O_{8} by HRMS (m/z 501.2493 [M+H]^+, 523.2311 [M+Na]^+). Simple analysis of "H, "C and HSQC spectra revealed four methyls, seven methylenes, eight methines and nine quaternary carbons, and suggested 2 two hydroxyl groups, consistent with this formula. Subsequent 2D analysis (gCOSY, ROESY and HMBC) lead to the structure 1 shown in Figure 9 (For numbering see Figure 10) and the complete NMR assignment is summarized in Table 11.
Important structural keys included two olefinic protons H-2 (δ 6.08, dd, J=9.8, 2.8 Hz, 1H) and H-3 (δ 6.86, ddd, J=9.8, 6.3, 2.8 Hz, 1H) conjugated to carbonyl carbon C-1 (δ 201.825), consistent with an α,β-unsaturated ketone.$^{86b, c, 86f}$ This moiety is also supported by IR (1714 cm$^{-1}$) and UV (220 nm).$^{86b}$ In addition, a C-5,6 epoxide, and ketal carbon C-17 (δ 109.709) were surmised from the NMR spectra. Another critical structural feature centered around carbonyl carbon C-26 (δ 176.961) and was indicative of an isolated bridged δ-lactone moiety, containing two methyls and two hydroxyl groups. The structure and stereochemistry of 1 was determined by X-ray crystallography (Figure 11) and ROESY 2D NMR analysis.

Compound 1 contains 28 carbons in which C-22 and C-26$^{89}$ have been oxygenated to form a δ-lactone putting it into the class of steroids known as withanolides. Withanolides belong to a group of naturally occurring steroids having 28 carbons and derived from an
Physangulidine A (1)  
Physangulidine B (2)  
Physangulidine C (3)  

Figure 10. Carbon Numbering and Crucial ROESY Interactions of Physangulidines A (1), B (2) and C (3)  

Figure 11. An ORTEP-3 Diagram of 1 Showing 40% Ellipsoids

Note: H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radii. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (deg): O1-C1, 1.178(5); O5-C26, 1.204(4); O7-C20, 1.418(3); O8-C24, 1.43(7(4); C13-C18, 1.535(4); C12-C13-C18, 112.5(3). The absolute structure configuration for physangulidine A (1) has been reliably determined using Cu radiation including 13 stereocenters which are as follow: (chirality at C5) S, (C6) R, (C7) S, (C8) S, (C9) S, (C10) R, (C13) R, (C14) S, (C17) R, (C20) S, (C22) R, (C24) R, (C25) R.
ergostane skeleton, in which carbons 22 and 26 (Type A) or 23 and 26 (Type B) were oxidized to form lactones (Figure 12).

![Type A and Type B structures](image)

**Figure 12. Main structures of Withanolides Have Been Isolated**

Although, to date, about 650 withanolides have been isolated from different plant sources,\(^9\) 1 is the first withanolide having a disconnection between C-13 and C-17, which typically forms ring D of the ergostane skeleton.

Physangulidine B (2) (mp above 260°C) and physangulidine C (3) were also isolated as white needles, and both were found to have the molecular formula of \(C_{28}H_{36}O_8\) by HRMS (\(m/z\) 523.2311 [M+Na]\(^+\) for 2; \(m/z\) 523.2313 [M+Na]\(^+\) for 3), indicating both are isomers of physangulidine A (1). After careful analysis of the NMR data (Table 12 and 13), we found that in the structures of 2 and 3, C-13 is hydroxylated instead of at C-20 in physangulidine A (1), and that 2 and 3 differed from each other only at the stereochemistry at C-13 (Figure 9).

As with 1, compounds 2 and 3 also contained the bridged \(\delta\) lactone moiety and the disconnection between C-13 and C-17. Physangulidine B (2) was subjected to X-ray
crystallography, thus confirming the aforementioned C-20 vs C-13 hydroxyl "migration" (Figure 13) and further demonstrated that with the exception of the orientation of the C-13 methyl group, the overall conformation of 1 and 2 were very similar.

Figure 13. An ORTEP-3 Diagram of 2 Showing 40% Ellipsoids

Note: H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radii. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (deg):
- O1-C1, 1.188(5); O5-C26, 1.218(7); O7-C13, 1.433(5); C13-C18, 1.527(6); O7-C13-C18, 110.4(4); C12-C13-C18, 109.4(4). The absolute structure configuration for physangulidine B (2) has been reliably determined using Cu radiation including 13 stereocenters which are as follow: (chirality at C5) S, (C6) R, (C7) S, (C8) S, (C9) S, (C10) R, (C13) R, (C14) R, (C17) R, (C20) R, (C22) R, (C24) R, (C25) R.

Crystals of physangulidine B (2) adequate for X-ray diffraction studies were grown from methylene chloride/hexane. C_{28}H_{36}O_{8}: colorless needle, 0.42 x 0.02 x 0.02 mm³, orthorhombic, space group P2_12_1_2, a = 7.6354(9) Å, b = 12.043(2) Å, c = 27.411(5) Å, \alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ, V = 3068.53(18) Å³, D_{calc} = 1.319 Mg/m³, Z = 4. For 4132 reflections I > 2\sigma(I) [R(int) 0.049] the final anisotropic full matrix least-squares refinement on F² for 334 variables converged at R1 = 0.055 and wR2 = 0.08 with a GOF of 1.03. The absolute structure was determined by refinement of the Hooft parameter 0.0(4).
Crystals of physangulidine A (1), C_{28}H_{36}O_{6}: colorless prism, 0.42 x 0.22 x 0.09 mm³, orthorhombic, space group P2_{1}2_{1}2_{1}, a = 10.0880(4) Å, b = 10.5957(3) Å, c = 24.5357(11) Å, α = β = γ = 90°, V = 2622.60(18) Å³, D_{calc} = 1.270Mg/m³, Z = 4. For 5195 reflections I > 2σ(I) [R(int) 0.038] the final anisotropic full matrix least-squares refinement on F² for 425 variables converged at R₁ = 0.052 and wR₂ = 0.118 with a GOF of 1.03 and Hooft parameter of 0.11(6).

Unfortunately, a single crystal of 3 suitable for X-ray crystallography was failed to be isolated, owing to its unstability at room temperature for long time (three weeks). However, the ROESY 2D NMR comparison between 2 and 3 did confirm that the C-18 methyl of physangulidine C is located axially and the hydroxyl group is equatorially positioned on C-13 of 3, while in physangulidine B (2) the C-18 methyl is equatorial on C-13 and the hydroxyl is axial (Figure 9). Accordingly, CH₃-18 shows a strong correlation with H-8 and H-15 (both α and β) in compound 3, however, CH₃-18 of physangulidine B (2) has only single interaction with H-15β observed in the ROESY spectra. A similar interaction was observed in physangulidine A: CH₃-18 has interaction with H-8 and H-15 (α and β) on ROESY, indicating the preferred axial orientation of the methyl group in both 1 and 3.
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Physangulidine A (1) was found to have significant in vitro antiproliferative activity against DU145 cancer cell line in bioassay (GI\textsubscript{50} estimated to be 3.0 μM) and also RWPE-1 prostate epithelial cell (GI\textsubscript{50}=2.4 μM). GI\textsubscript{50} values of physangulidine B (2) and physangulidine C (3) were found to be very similar and comparatively lower than physangulidine A (1).

GI\textsubscript{50} values of physangulidine B were determined to be 6.0 and 6.8 μM against RWPE-1 and DU145, while in physangulidine C they were 6.6 and 6.0 μM against RWPE-1 and DU145, respectively. Their antiproliferative activities are comparable to, or higher than, related withanolides isolated from \textit{P. angulate}.\textsuperscript{96c} Because physangulidine A was the most active and abundant of the three bioactive compounds isolated from \textit{P. angulata}, it was tested on additional cell lines, using 5-fluorouracil as positive control. The results are summarized in Table 14. Compared to 5-fluorouracil, physangulidine A has less antiproliferative activity against nonmalignant 3T3 cell and more antiproliferative activity against HT-29 and K562 cells (Table 14).

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\textsuperscript{a}GI\textsubscript{50} values of physangulidine A in Table 14 are average values of three tests.


In conclusion, we have isolated three new bioactive withanolides, physangulidines A, B and C, from \textit{P. angulata} L. using a bioassay-guided isolation technique. Their structures,
determined by NMR and X-ray crystallography, have an unusual disconnection between C-13 and C-17, a structural feature observed for the first time in the withanolides family.

Figure 14. Selected HMBC Interactions in Physangulidines A, B and C

Figure 15. Selected ROESY Interactions in Physangulidines A, B and C
4.3. *Cremastosperma microcarpum* (Annonaceae)

The genus *Cremastosperma* (Annonaceae) is represented by 31 species but has been very poorly investigated phytochemically. There is only one study on *C. polyphlebium*, and no investigation has been conducted on *C. microcarpum*. We investigated *C. microcarpum* and isolated (±)-trans-dehydrodiisoeugenol (Figure 16) as the main cytotoxic agent via bioassay-directed fractionation techniques.

Figure 16. Structure of Trans-dehydrodiisoeugenol

(±)-Trans-dehydrodiisoeugenol has been studied previously for its antioxidant and anticancer properties on salivary gland tumor, and it has been recently applied on a skin formulation patent. We found that (±)-trans-dehydrodiisoeugenol has moderate cytotoxic activity on different cell lines, compared to a positive control (Doxorubicin, DOXO) (Table 15). (±)-trans-Dehydrodiisoeugenol was identified by comparison of its NMR data with literature reports (Table 16).

Table 15. GI\textsubscript{50} Values (µM) of (±)-Trans-dehydrodiisoeugenol\textsuperscript{a} and Doxorubicin on Different Cells

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\textsuperscript{a} GI\textsubscript{50} values of (±)-Trans-dehydrodiisoeugenol are average values of two tests.
Table 16. NMR data for (±)-Trans-dehydrodiisoeugenol and Literature Data

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4.4. **Hyptis lantanaefolia (Lamiaceae)**

*Hyptis* is a genus of the *Lamiaceae* family, widely spread in the tropical regions of the Americas. There are 300-400 species which may be annual or perennial, appearing as
small herbs or large shrubs.\textsuperscript{96} \textit{H. lantanaefolia} is a very poorly investigated species; there is only one report on the xanthine oxidase inhibitory activity of the ethanol extract of \textit{H. lantanaefolia}.\textsuperscript{97} We found that the ethanol extract of \textit{H. lantanaefolia} has high cytotoxic activity and the bioassay-directed fractionation afforded semi-purified chromatographic fractions LHL-14 and LHL-15 both of which had extremely high activities on different cell lines (IC\textsubscript{50} is lower than 50 ng/mL) (Figure 17). The fractions LHL-14 and LHL-15 are currently under investigation.

\begin{figure}[h]
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\includegraphics[width=\textwidth]{figure17.png}
\caption{Cytotoxic Activity of Fractions LHL-14 and LHL-15}
\end{figure}

\section{4.5 \textit{Bocconia integridolia} (Papaveraceae)}

\textit{Bocconia} is a small genus in the \textit{Papaveraceae} family, representing 10 species,\textsuperscript{98} but up to now there has been no investigation conducted on \textit{B. integridolia}. Our collaborators in Peru (Professor Vaisberg’s group at UPCH) collected this plant species and found that the ethanol extract had very good cytotoxic activity. Bioassay directed fractionation allowed us to find the most active chromatographic fraction PBI-13, which is currently under investigation.
4.6 Other Plant Species Studied

We have active fractions of the following plant extracts: *Humiria balsamifera* (Humiriaceae), *Rollinia andicola* (Annonaceae), *Hippeastrum puniceum* (Amaryllidaceae), *Aniba riparia* (Lauraceae), and I am instructing other members in Dr. Hammond’s group on how to purify them further. Other plant extracts lost their bioactivity during separation, and we failed to isolate any bioactive compounds. These plants are: *Terminalia Amazonia* (Combretaceae), *Piper concinnatoris* (missing), *Paullinia* (missing) (Sapindaceae), *Plukenetia volubillis* (Euphorbiaceae) and *Scutia sp.* (Phamnaceae). Their bioactivity loss may be due to two factors: first, the plants were collected from the late 1990’s to early 2000’s; the active components could have decomposed during the long storage period. Second, the cytotoxic activity we determined could have come from a synergistic effect of different components, and therefore the activity was lost during purification.

4.7 Summary

We have isolated three novel antiproliferative withanolides with an unusual carbon framework, namely, physangulidines A, B and C, isolated from *Physalis angulata* L. using a bioassay-directed isolation technique, and their structures were confirmed by NMR spectroscopy and X-ray crystallography techniques. All three withanolides showed significant antiproliferative activity ($GI_{50} < 4.0 \mu g/mL$) on DU145 and RWPE-1 cells. Compared to 5-fluorouracil, physangulidine A has less antiproliferative activity against nonmalignant 3T3 cell and more antiproliferative activity against HT-29 and K562 cells. The antiproliferative mechanism of physangulidine A is currently under investigation.
Similarly, (+)-trans-dehydrodiisoeugenol was isolated from *Cremastosperma microcarpum*, as the main cytotoxic and identified by comparison of its NMR data with a literature report. *Hyptis lantanaefolia* and *Bocconia intengrifolia* have been found to contain cytotoxic agents; LHL-14, LHL-15 and PBI-13 are the most cytotoxic fractions. We are working on LHL-14, LHL-15 and PBI-13 to find pure cytotoxic compound(s).

4.8. Experimental Section

General

Plant material was collected in the Aguaruna region of northeastern Perú, from the late 1990's to early 2000's. Methanol for HPLC separation was HPLC grade, and the rest of the solvents were ACS-grade. Column chromatography was carried out using silica gel (230-400 mesh, Silicycle; Quebec, Canada) and octadecyl-functionalized silica gel (C18, 200-400 mesh, Aldrich; St. Louis, MO, USA). HPLC was performed with a Waters 600E equipped with rheodyne injector and a PDA detector, using a Nova-Pak column (Waters, 6µm, 7.8x300 mm, flow rate 1.0 mL/min) or a SymmetryPrep C18 column (Waters, 7µm, 300x19 mm, flow rate 4.0 mL/min) and water and methanol as solvent system. NMR spectra of physangulidines A, B and C were collected at 25.0 °C in CDCl₃ at 699.81 MHz in a 5 mm ¹H(¹³C/¹⁵N) (¹³C enhanced) Cold Probe on a VNMRS700 Varian (Agilent) Spectrometer. ¹H NMR spectra of physangulidines A, B and C were recorded at 700 MHz, while their ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 175 MHz. UV spectra of physangulidines A and B were recorded in methanol by a Varian Cary 50 Bio UV-Visible Spectrophotometer. FTIR spectra of physangulidines A and B were recorded in ATR (attenuated total reflection) solid mode using a Perkin Elmer Spectrum 100. Melting
points of physangulidines A and B were measured in a DigiMelt PMA 160 melting point apparatus. Crystallographic data of physangulidines A and B were collected by an Agilent Technologies/Oxford Diffraction Gemini CCD diffractometer at 293 K using CuKα radiation. Crystallographic data of physangulidines A (CCDC-858987) and B (CCDC-858988) can be obtained free of charge from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.

NMR spectra of (±)-trans-dehydrodiisoeugenol were collected at 25.0 °C in CDCl₃ in a Varian Inova 400 MHz Spectrometer. ¹H NMR spectrum of (±)-trans-dehydrodiisoeugenol was recorded at 400 MHz, while its ¹³C NMR spectrum was recorded at 100 MHz. Cytotoxic activity of Physalis angulata, fractions and physangulidine A, B and C were evaluated by MTT assay. Cytotoxic activity of other plant extracts was evaluated using the sulforhodamine B (SRB) assay method.

The MTT assay

The DU145 and RWPE-1 cell lines were purchased from American Type Tissue Collection (ATCC, Manassas, VA). The DU145 cell line represents human hormone-insensitive metastatic prostate cancer cells and RWPE-1 is derived from histologically normal human prostate epithelial cells that were immortalized by transfection with HPV-18 DNA. Cells were maintained in standard culture in a humidified incubator at 37°C with 5% CO₂. DU145 cells were cultured in Dulbecco’s modified Eagle’s medium (DMEM) (GIBCO, Grand Island, NY) supplemented with 10% heat-inactivated fetal bovine serum (FBS, 15 min at 65°C, GIBCO) and 1% penicillin/streptomycin (10,000 units each per 1 mL; GIBCO). RWPE-1 cells were cultured in Keratinocyte SFM medium (GIBCO) containing Human Keratinocyte Growth Supplement (GIBCO). For
antiproliferative activity assays, cells were plated in 96 well plates (1,000 cells per well) and were treated the following day by addition of the experimental fraction or vehicle as control. Plant extracts or fractions were resuspended in dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO) to give a concentration of 2 mg/mL and then diluted in cell culture medium then added to triplicate wells to give final concentrations of 4, 2, 1, 0.5, 0.25, or 0 µg/mL. Cells were cultured for 5 days and then relative cell number was determined using 3-(4,5-Dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5-diphenyltetrazolium bromide (MTT) assay, as described previously. The GI_{50} value (the concentration required for 50% inhibition of cell proliferation) was estimated from the resulting dose response graphs.

The Sulforhodamine B (SRB) assay method

To determine the cytotoxicity of the compounds, cells were plated into 96-well tissue culture plates and in their corresponding growth medium at approximately 10% confluency (BALB/3T3 at 3,500 cells/well, Vero at 2,500 cells/well, H460 at 1,500 cells/well, M-14 at 5,000 cells/well, DU145 at 3,500 cells/well, MCF-7 at 5,000 cells/well, HT-29 at 3,000 cells/well, and K562 at 4,000 cells/well), and incubated at 37°C in a 5% CO_{2} and 95% air humidified atmosphere for 24 h to allow cells to attach. A plate containing each of these cells was fixed in situ with trichloroacetic acid (TCA) in order to obtain the cell values at zero time before adding the compounds. The rest of the plates containing the different cell lines received serial dilutions of the compound to be tested at the following final concentrations: 62.5, 15.625, 3.90625, and 0.97656 µg/mL. The plates were then incubated at 37 °C in a 5% CO_{2} and 95% air humidified atmosphere for 48 h. The assay was terminated by the addition of cold TCA. TCA treated plates were incubated at 4 °C for 1 hour and then washed five times with tap water to
remove TCA and air dried. Background optical densities were measured in wells incubated with growth medium without cells. TCA-fixed cells were stained for 20 minutes with 0.4% (w/v) SRB dissolved in 1% acetic acid. At the end of the staining period unbound dye was removed by washing four times with 1% acetic acid. After air drying the plates, bound dye was solubilized with 10 mM Tris base (pH 10.5) and the absorbance read on an automated plate reader at a wavelength of 550 nm. The GI<br>value was defined as the concentration of test sample resulting in a 50% reduction of absorbance as compared with untreated controls that received a serial dilution of the solvent in which the test samples were dissolved, and was determined by linear regression analysis.

For K562 cells, which grow in suspension, instead of fixing and staining with SRB, cells were counted using a Coulter counter.

*Physalis angulata*

Leaves, stem and fruits of *Physalis angulata* L were collected in Rio Domingusua, Kuith/Barranquita, Amazonas Department, Northeastern Perú, and identified by the team led by Walter Lewis (voucher number: 18597, extract number: 1159) in April 3, 2002. 46 g of the dried and grounded material was extracted by ethanol (1 L, 95%) at room temperature for 7 days to give 6.26 g extract, which was denoted as SPA. An aliquot (1.5 g) of SPA was partitioned between dichloromethane (40 mL) and water (40 mL), which afforded two fractions, namely organic (SPA1, 500 mg) and aqueous (SPA2, 600 mg) fraction (Bioassay directed fractionation, Scheme 21). In vitro cytotoxic study showed that organic fraction (SPA1) is active (Figure 18), and which was separated on silica gel chromatography and eluted by hexane, ethyl acetate and methanol in gradient mode to
give further four more fractions, SPA11 (15 mg), SPA12 (117 mg), SPA13 (75 mg) and SPA14 (275 mg). Then the most active SPA14 (Figure 19) was subjected to the same chromatography separation as above to further give four fractions: SPA14-1 (15 mg), SPA14-2 (27 mg), SPA14-3 (97 mg) and SPA14-4 (130 mg). Unfortunately, we failed to isolate any pure compound from SPA14-1, SPA14-2 and SPA14-4. SPA14-3 (30 mg) was separated on HPLC reverse phase C18 column eluted in gradient mode of methanol and water (from 80% methanol to 100% methanol) and detected at 254 nm, yielding SPA14-3-1 (0 mg), SPA14-3-2 (1.2 mg) (physangulidine B), SPA14-3-3 (4.1 mg) (physangulidine C) and SPA14-3-4 (18 mg) (physangulidine A). All three of them showed cytotoxic activity against DU145 and RWPE-1 (Figure 20). Their structures were determined by NMR spectra analysis and X-ray crystallography.
Scheme 21. Bioassay Directed Fractionation of *P. angulata* L.
Figure 18. Cytotoxic Activity of SPA, SPA1 and SPA2
Figure 19. Cytotoxic Activity of SPA11, SPA12, SPA13 and SPA14
**Cremastosperma microcarpum**

Leaflets and stems of *C. microcarpum* were collected at Copallin, province of Bagua, Amazonas Department, Perú, in May 1999 (voucher number: 19759, extract number: 2967). Air-dried and ground leaflets and stems of *C. microcarpum* (50 g) were extracted with ethanol (1 L, 95%) at room temperature for 7 days. The ethanolic solution was concentrated to dryness under reduced pressure to yield 3.66 g of extract, denoted as ACM. An aliquot (2.0 g) was partitioned between dichloromethane (45 mL) and water (45 mL), which afforded an organic fraction (ACM1, 1240 mg), insoluble residue
(ACM2, 100 mg) and an aqueous fraction (ACM3, 108 mg). In vitro cytotoxic studies indicated that ACM1 was the only active fraction. Hence, it was purified on silica gel chromatography and eluted with hexanes, ethyl acetate and methanol in gradient mode to yield five sub-fractions: ACM11 (163 mg), ACM12 (165 mg), ACM13 (650 mg), ACM14 (123 mg) and ACM15 (110 mg). An aliquot of ACM13 (10 mg) was the most cytotoxic fraction, and another aliquot (10 mg) was further chromatographed using a reverse phase C18 column in a solvent gradient of methanol-water (80%, V/V) to pure methanol, yielding (±)-trans-dehydrodiisoeugenol (7.0 mg) (Scheme 22).

**Scheme 22. Bioassay Directed Fractionation of C. microcarpum**
Hyptis lantanaefolia

Leaves, stem and flower of *H. lantanaefolia* were collected at road from Chiple to Cutervo, province of Jaén, Cajamarca Department, Perú in Oct 6, 2005. (Voucher number: 19547, extract number: 2352). Dried leaflets, stems and flower of *H. lantanaefolia* (70 g) were extracted with ethanol (IL, 95%) at room temperature for 7 days. The ethanolic solution was concentrated to dryness under reduced pressure to yield the extract (5.12 g), denoted as LHL. An aliquot of LHL (4.0 g) was partitioned between dichloromethane (60 mL) and water (65 mL), affording an organic fraction (LHL1, 840 mg) and an aqueous fraction (LHL2, 2.0 g) (Scheme 23). LHL1 was more active on different cell
lines than LHL2, and LHL1 was further subjected to silica gel chromatographic separation to give six fractions: LHL11 (41 mg), LHL12 (150 mg), LHL13 (75 mg), LHL14 (105 mg), LHL15 (145 mg) and LHL16 (66 mg). Of all fractions LHL14 and LHL15 were extremely high in vitro cytotoxic activities. We are currently working on both LHL14 and LHL15 to isolate active agents.

_Bocconia intengrifolia_

Bark of _B. intengrifolia_ was collected on the road from Santo Domingo de la Capilla to San Pedro, province of Cutervo, Cajamarca Department, Perú (Voucher number: 19644, extract number: 2367). Dried and grounded bark of _B. intengrifolia_ (50) was extracted by ethanol (1L, 95%) at room temperature for 7 days to give crude extract (4.47 g) after dryness of ethanol. An aliquot of PBI (2.3 g) was partitioned between dichloromethane (50 mL) and water (50 mL), affording an organic fraction (PBI1, 181 mg) and an aqueous fraction (PBI2, 1.5 g) (Scheme 24). _In vitro_ cytotoxicity study showed that the organic fraction PBI1 is active; following fractionation of PBI1 on silica gel furnished four fractions: PBI11 (13 mg), PBI12 (43 mg), PBI13 (119 mg) and PBI14 (7 mg), of which PBI13 is most active fraction. PBI13 is currently under investigation.
Ongoing plant studies

Bark and leaves of *Humiria balsamifera* (Humiriaceae) were collected in the trail to Quebrada Sunsunza, El Porvenir, Aramango, province of Bagua, Amazonas department, Perú (Voucher number: 19478, extract number: 2278). Dried and grounded bark and leaves of *H. balsamifera* (50 g) were extracted with ethanol (1L, 95%) to give crude extract (6.69 g) after filtration and dryness of ethanol solution. Then, the extract was subjected to simple partition between water and dichloromethane; the bioactive organic layer is currently under study.
Fruits of *Rollinia andicola* (Annonaceae) were collected at El Tigre, Cambio-Pitec, Copallín, province of Bagua, Amazonas Department, Perú (Voucher number: 19877, extract number: 2900). Dried and grounded flowers of *R. andicola* (61 g) were extracted with ethanol (1L, 95%) to give crude extract (7.71 g). The bioactive organic layer is currently under study.

Bulbs of *Hippeastrum puniceum* (Amaryllidaceae) were collected at Kunchin, Imaza, province of Bagua, Amazonas Department, Perú in Aug 9, 2001 (Voucher number: 17506, extract number: 435). Dried and grounded *H. puniceum* (43 g) was extracted with ethanol (1L, 95%) to give crude extract (3.36 g). Bioactive organic layer is currently under investigation.

The bark of *Aniba riparia* (Lauraceae) was collected at Wichim, Imaza, province of Bagua, Amazonas Department, Perú in Nov 26, 2002 (Voucher number: 19366, extract number: 2239). Dried and grounded bark of *A. riparia* (50 g) was extracted with ethanol (1L, 95%) to yield crude extract (4.13 g) after dryness. The bioactive organic layer is currently under investigation.
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60. We modified Gogosz's reaction condition by replacing CH₂Cl₂ with CCl₃ considering two reasons: 1) Gold catalyst, purchased from Aldrich, is more efficient in CCl₃ than in CH₂Cl₂. 2) Reaction can be easily monitored by ¹H-NMR.

61. We chose two steps in one pot reaction, because the gold catalyzed isomerization is not effective in CD₃CN and Selectfluor has low solubility in CCl₃.

62. ¹H and ¹⁹F-NMR spectra of mixture of 3e and ethyl acetate are available in supporting information.


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76. Amide 1a (1 equiv), copper (I) bromide (1.2 equiv, one portion) and Selectfluor (2.5 equiv) were stirred in acetonitrile under nitrogen atmosphere for 1 h; a 50% (NMR) yield of imide 2a was recorded, which is comparable to entry 2 (Condition A) in Table 2.

77. The trace amount of water in commercial Selectfluor cannot be removed by 50°C/1 mmHg vaccum overnight.


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79. CuBr and Selectfluor were pre-mixed in acetonitrile for 1h, the resulting solution still can oxidize amide 1a into imide 2a (50% yield by 1H-NMR).


84. Martinez, M., Revision of Physalis Section Epeteiorhiza (Solanaceae). Anales del Instituto de Biologia, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico: Serie Botanica.; 1998; p. 71.


89. Carbon numbering followed steroid numbering system since we assumed that left part of Physangulidine A was derived from steroid, and D ring of the steroid is disconnected by C-13 and C-17. Similar numbering was applied to Physalin, in which steroid is disconnected by C-13 and C-14.

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APPENDIX A: LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

DMP: Dess-Martin Periodinane
DMSO: Dimethylsulfonyl Oxide
dr: diastereomeric ratio
FTIR: Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy
ee: Enantiomeric excess
EI: Electrospray Ionization
EPR: Electron paramagnetic resonance
Eq: Equation
Equiv: Equivalence
h: Hour
HPLC: High performance liquid chromatography
HRMS: High resolution mass spectroscopy
Hz: Hertz
IR: infrared
LDA: Lithium diisopropylamide
M: Molar
m: meta
mg: milligram
min: minute
mL: milliliter
mmol: millimole
NMR: Nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy
o: ortho
p: para
**ppm**: Parts per million

**r.t.**: room temperature

**TBS**: *tert*-Butyldimethylsilyl

**tert**: tertiary

**TABF**: Tetrabutylammonium flouride

**TIPS**: Triisopropylsilyl

**TMS**: Trimethylsilyl

**THF**: Tetrahydrofuran

**TLC**: Thin layer chromatography
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$13^C$ NMR Spectrum of

![C NMR Spectrum Image]

ZJ-2-53-1
Archive directory: /export/home/hammond/vnmrsys/data
Sample directory: F161 CARBON
Pulse Sequence: e2pul
$^{13}$C NMR Spectrum of $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{16}$

2-1-3a
$^1$H NMR Spectrum of 2-1-3d
$^{13}$C NMR Spectrum of

![Chemical Structure]
Diastereomer 1

Sample directory: /export/home/hammonds/vnmrsys/data
File: PROTON
Pulse Sequence: s2pul

$^1$H NMR Spectrum of

2-1-3g, Diastereomers 1
%C NMR Spectrum of Cl 2-3. Diastereomers 1

Pulse Sequence: n-palp
diastereomer 2

Archive directory: /export/home/hammond/vnmrsys/data
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File: CARBON
Pulse Sequence: s2pul

$^{13}$C NMR Spectrum of 2-1-3g, Diastereomers 2
$^{1}$H NMR Spectrum of \( \text{2-1-3h} \)}
$^{13}$C NMR Spectrum of \[ \text{Chemical Structure} \]

Sample directory: /export/home/hammond/vnmrsys/data

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
**1H NMR Spectrum of**

![NMR Spectrum Image]

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
H NMR Spectrum of 2-1-3
Pulse Sequence: s2pul

$^1$H NMR Spectrum of 2-1-4a (E/Z=9:1)

$E:Z = 9:1$
$^{1}$H NMR Spectrum of 2-1-4b (E/Z=9:1)

$\delta=2=9.1$
Pulse Sequence: s2pul

$\text{H NMR Spectrum of } \text{2-1-4c (E/Z=12.5:1)}$

$\text{E=Z=12.5:1}$
$^{13}$C NMR Spectrum of 2-1-4c ($E/Z=12.5:1$)
$^1$H NMR Spectrum of 2-1-4d (E/Z=12.5:1)
Pulse Sequence: szpu1

$^{13}$C NMR Spectrum of 2-1-4d (E/Z=12.5:1)
**SAMPLE**
- **Date:** Jun 19 2009
- **Temp:** 25.1
- **Solvent:** CDC13
- **Gain:** not used
- **File:** exp spin
- **Acquisition:** hst 0.006
- **Sw:** 5985.7 ppm 7.990
- **At:** 2.733 mHz
- **Fb:** 3500 Hz
- **Bs:** 32 in
- **Dl:** 1.000 dp
- **Nt:** 5 Hz
- **Cl:** 8

**Transmitter:** H1
- **Sfreq:** 499.643 sp 5686.3
- **Tpwr:** 55 rpp 495.6
- **Pw:** 3.950 rpp -6.6
- **Dn:** C18 1p
- **Dof:** 8
- **Dm:** nnn wc 250
- **Dm:** ac 1.8
- **Dpw:** 45 vs 134
- **Dnf:** 17094 sh cdc ph 12

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**Diagram:**
- **H NMR Spectrum of 2-1-4e (E/Z=12.5:1)**
$^{13}$C NMR Spectrum of 2-1-4e ($E/Z=12.5:1$)
$^{1}$H NMR Spectrum of 2-1-4g (E/Z=17:1)
1H NMR Spectrum of 2-1-4h (E/Z=17:1)
$^{13}$C NMR Spectrum of

2-1-4h (E/Z=17:1)
E2 = 20:1
Pulse Sequence: z2pul

$^{13}$C NMR Spectrum of

2-1-4l (E/Z=20:1)
$^{1}$H NMR Spectrum of $2\text{-}1\text{-}4j$ (E/Z=100:0)
1H NMR Spectrum of 2-1-4k (E/Z=100:0)

Pulse Sequence: s2pu1
$^{13}$C NMR Spectrum of 2-1-4k (E/Z=100:0)
'H NMR Spectrum of 2-1-4I (E/Z=100:0)
$^{13}$C NMR Spectrum of 2-1-4I (E/Z=100:0)
Pulse Sequence: s2pul

\[ \text{\textsuperscript{1}H NMR Spectrum of } 2-1-4m (E/Z=50:1) \]
$^{13}$C NMR spectrum of 2-1-4m (E/Z=50:1)
Pulse Sequence: s2pul

$\text{H NMR Spectrum of}$

$2\text{-1-5 (E/Z}=10:1)$
$^{13}$C NMR Spectrum of 2-1-5 (E/Z=10:1)
Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: CDCl3
Temp. 29.8 °C / 298.1 K
INOVA-600 "ulners"
PULSE SEQUENCE
Relax. Delay 1.096 sec
Pulse 45.8 degrees
Acq. time 2.048 sec
Width 2.097.2 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE H1, 609.6455729 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
FT size: 12884
Total time 6 min, 24 sec

1H NMR Spectrum of

2-1-6 (E/Z=12.5:1)
Sample: LJ-3-61-1
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20100917_11
File: ZhuangJ_20100917_11/data/Proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: z2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Proton_01
VNMRS-400 "ulmr400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 6410.3 Hz
6 repetitions
OBSERVE H, 399.7603207 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 30 sec

$^1$H NMR Spectrum of

![Chemical Structure](image)

2-2-2a
Sample: ZJ-3-51-1
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20100917_12
File: ZhuangJ_20100917_12/data/Carbon_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Carbon_01
VNMRS-400 "ulnmr400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 24509.8 Hz
256 repetitions
OBSERVE C13, 100.5198126 MHz
DECOUPLE H1, 399.7623195 MHz
Power 40 dB
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 19 min, 10 sec

13C NMR Spectrum of 2-2-2a
Sample: Zj-3-63-1
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20100922_08
File: ZhuangJ_20100922_08/data/Proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: m2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Proton_01
VNMRS-400 "ulmr400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 6410.3 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVER H1, 399.7603522 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
PT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 30 sec

$^1$H NMR Spectrum of 2-2-2b
Sample: zj-3-63-1
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_201000922_10
File: ZhuangJ_201000922_10/data/Carbon_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: szpul
Solvent: cde1
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Carbon_01

13C NMR Spectrum of 2-2-2b

200 180 160 140 120 100 80 60 40 ppm
Sample: sj-3-64-1
Sample ID: ZhuangJ 20100924_01
File: ZhuangJ_20100924_01/data/Proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 °C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Proton_01
VNMRS-400 *ulnar400*

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 6410.3 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE H, 399.7603503 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.3 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 30 sec

1H NMR Spectrum of 2-2-2c
Sample: zj-3-64-1
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20100924_02
File: ZhuangJ_20100924_02/data/Carbon_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdc13
Temp. 25.0 °C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Carbon 01
VNMRS-400 "ulnmar400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 24509.8 Hz
64 repetitions
CHSRES C13, 100.5158126 MHz
DECOUPLE H1, 399.7623195 MHz
Power 40 dB
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 38 min, 21 sec

13C NMR Spectrum of 2-2-2c
Sample: ZJ-3-65-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20101001_06
File: ZhuangJ_20101001_06/data/Proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdCl3
Temp. 25.0 °C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Proton_01

VNMRS-400 "ulnmr400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 6410.3 Hz
8 repetitions

OBSERVE N1, 399.7603207 MHz

DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 30 sec

\(^1\)H NMR Spectrum of 2-2-2d
Sample: ZJ-3-65-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ 20101001_09
File: /home/walkup/vnmrsys/data/auto_2010.09.27/ZhuangJ_20101001_09/data/Carbon_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Sample #37, Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Carbon_01
VMR-400 "ulmr400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 24509.8 Hz
8000 repetitions
OBSERVE C13, 100.5198126 MHz
DECOUPLE H1, 399.7623195 MHz
Power 40 dB continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 5 hr, 6 min, 45 sec

13C NMR Spectrum of 2-2-2d
Sample: ZJ-3-68-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20101006_07
File: ZhuangJ_20101006_07/data/Proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: dcdcl3
Temp. 25.0 °C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Proton_01

VNMRS-400 "ulnrm400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 6410.3 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVER H1, 399.7603207 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 30 sec

\[ ^1H \text{NMR Spectrum of} \]

\[ 2-2-2e \]
Sample: ZJ-3-68-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20101006_08
File: ZhuangJ_20101006_08/data/Carbon_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Carbon_01
VNMRS-400 "ulmn400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 24509.8 Hz
64 repetitions
OBSERVE C13, 100.5198126 MHz
DECOUPLE H1, 399.7623195 MHz
Power 40 dB
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 5 hr, 6 min, 45 sec

13C NMR Spectrum of 2-2-2e
Sample: ZJ-3-70-1
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20101018_04
File: ZhuangJ_20101018_04/data/Proton_01.fid
Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Soltent: ccdl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Proton_01
INOVA-500 "ulmr500"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 7994.4 Hz
8 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 499.440424 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 31 sec

$^1$H NMR Spectrum of 2-2-2f
Sample: ZJ-3-70-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20101018_05
File: ZhuangJ_20101018_05/data/Carbon_01.fld

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdo13
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Carbon_01
INOVA-500 ^ulnmr500*

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 30154.5 Hz
64 repetitions
OBSERVE Cl3, 125.6346941 MHz
DECOUPLE H1, 499.6429206 MHz
Power 40 dB continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 2.0 Hz
FT size 131072
Total time 8 hr, 20 min, 22 sec

13C NMR Spectrum of

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180 160 140 120 100 80 60 40 20
ppm
Sample: ZJ-3-74-1
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20101023_06
File: ZhuangJ_20101023_06/data/Proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdc13
Temp. 25.0 °C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Proton 01
VNMRS-400 "ulnmr400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 6410.3 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE H1, 399.7536764 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
PT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 30 sec

1H NMR Spectrum of
2-2-2g
Sample: zj-3-74-1
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20101026_03
File: ZhuangJ_20101026_03/data/Carbon_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Sample #25, Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Carbon_01
VNMRS-400 "ulnmr400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 24509.8 Hz
12000 repetitions
OBSERVE C13, 100.5181167 MHz
DECOUPLE H1, 399.7555752 MHz
Power 40 dB
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 7 hr, 40 min, 8 sec

13C NMR Spectrum of 2-2-2g
Sample: ZJ-3-73-1-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20101022_03
File: ZhuangJ_20101022_03/data/Proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdc13
Temp. 25.0°C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Proton_01
INOVA-500 "ulnmr500"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 7994.4 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE H1, 499.6404224 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 6 min, 31 sec

^1H NMR Spectrum of 2-2-2h
Sample: ZJ-3-73-1-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20101022_04
File: ZhuangJ_20101022_04/data/Carbon_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 °C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Carbon_01
INOMA-500 "ultram500"

Relax. delay 1.00 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 30154.5 Hz
320 repetitions
OBSERVE C13, 125.6346841 MHz
DECOUPLE H1, 499.6429206 MHz
Power 40.0 dB continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
FT size 131072
Total time 38 min, 29 sec

$^{13}$C NMR Spectrum of 2-2-2h
Sample: ZJ-3-74-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20101023_04
File: ZhuangJ_20101023_04/data/Proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: z2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Proton_01

VMRS-400 "ulnrm400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 6410.3 Hz
8 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 399.7535764 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
PT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 30 sec

\(^1\)H NMR Spectrum of \(\text{2-2-2i}\)
Sample: 2J-3-74-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20101023_05
File: ZhuangJ_20101023_05\data\Carbon_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cde1
Temp. 29.0 °C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Carbon_01
VNMRS-400 "ulnar400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 24509.8 Hz
64 repetitions
OBserves C13, 100.5181167 MHz
DECoupling H1, 399.7555752 MHz
Power 40 dB
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
PT size 65536
Total time 9 min. 49 sec

\[ ^{13}\text{C NMR Spectrum of 2-2-2i} \]
Sample Name:

Data Collected on: ultram400-vnmrs400
Archive directory: /home/walkup/vnmrsys/data/ZhuangJ
Sample directory: zj-3-113-2 20111022_01
FidFile: PROTON_001

Pulse Sequence: PROTON (s2pul)
Solvent: cdc13
Data collected on: Oct 22 2011

Temp. 25.0°C / 298.1 K
Sample #44, Operator: ZhuangJ
Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.556 sec
Width 6410.3 Hz
# repetitions
OBSERVE H1, 399.7275307 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
FT size 32768
Total time 0 min 28 sec

[1H NMR Spectrum of derived from 3-2-1g]
Sample Name: zj-3-115-2
Data Collected on: u1nmr'00-vnmrs'00
Archive directory: /home/walkup/vnmrsys/data/ZhuangJ
Sample directory: zj-3-115-2.20111108.02
FidFile: CARBON_001

Pulse Sequence: CARBON (s2pul)
Solvent: cdc13
Data collected on: Nov 8 2011

Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Sample #42, Operator: ZhuangJ

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.385 sec
Width 25510.2 Hz
20000 repetitions
OBSERVE C13, 100.5094869 MHz
DECOUPLE H1, 399.7212548 MHz
Power 42 dB
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 12 hr. 41 min

$^{13}$C NMR Spectrum of derived from

![Diagram of molecule](image)
Sample Name: zj-3-113-2
Data Collected on: ulnmr400-vnmr400
Archive directory: /home/walkup/vnmrsys/data/ZhuangJ
Sample directory: zj-3-113-2_20111022_01
FidFile: FLOORINE_001

Pulse Sequence: FLOORINE (s2pul)
Solvent: cdc13
Data collected on: Oct 22 2011

Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Sample #44, Operator: ZhuangJ

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 35.0 degrees
Acq. time 0.603 sec
Width 108.7 KHz
16 repetitions
OBSERVE F19, 376.1196667 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
FT size 131072
Total time 0 min 26 sec

19F NMR Spectrum of

derived from

3-2-1g
Sample Name: Zj-3-110-2-1
Data Collected on: ulnmr400-vnmrs400
Archive directory: /home/walkup/vnmrsys/data/ZhuangJ
Sample directory: Zj-3-110-2-1_20110707_01
PfidFile: PROTON_001
Pulse Sequence: PROTON (s2pul)
Solvent: cdcl3
Data collected on: Jul 7 2011
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Sample #37, Operator: ZhuangJ

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.556 sec
Width 6410.3 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE H1, 399.7353714 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
FT size 32768
Total time 0 min 28 sec

\[ ^1H \text{ NMR Spectrum of} \]

\[ \text{derived from} \]

\[ \text{3-2-1h} \]
Sample Name: ZJ-3-110-2-1
Data Collected on: ulmr400-vnmrs400
Archive directory: /home/walkup/vnmrsys/data/ZhuangJ
Sample directory: ZJ-3-110-2-1 20110708_01
FidFile: CARBON_001

Pulse Sequence: CARBON (s2pul)
Solvent: cdcl3
Data collected on: Jul 8 2011

Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Sample #42, Operator: ZhuangJ

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.285 sec
Width 25510.2 Hz
20000 repetitions
OBSERVE C13, 100.5135391 MHz
DECOUPLE H1, 399.7373701 MHz
Power 61 dB
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated

DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 12 hr, 41 min

13C NMR Spectrum of

derived from

3-2-1h
Sample Name: Zj-3-110-2-1
Data Collected on: ulnmr400-vnmrs400
Archive directory: /home/walkup/vnmrs/data/ZhuangJ
Sample directory: Zj-3-110-2-1 20110707 01
FidFile: FLORINE_001
Pulse Sequence: FLORINE (s2pul)
Solvent: cdc13
Data collected on: Jul 7 2011
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Sample #37, Operator: ZhuangJ
Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 35.0 degrees
Acq. time 0.734 sec
Width 89285.7 Hz
16 repetitions
OBSERVE F19, 376.1270443 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
FT size 131072
Total time 0 min 28 sec

\[ \text{19F NMR Spectrum of} \]

\[ \text{derived from} \]

\[ \text{3-2-1h} \]
Sample: zj-3-113-1
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20111017_01
File: ZhuangJ_20111017_01/data/Proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 °C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Proton_01
INOVA-500 "ulnrm500"
Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 7994.4 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE H1. 499.6404224 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min. 31 sec

\(^1\)H NMR Spectrum of

![Illustration of molecule](derived from 3-2-1i)
Sample Name: zj-3-113-1
Data Collected on: ulnmr400-vnmrs400
Archive directory: /home/walkup/vnmrsys/data/ZhuangJ
Sample directory: zj-3-113-1_20111017_01
PidPile: CARBON_001

Pulse Sequence: CARBON (s2pul)
Solvent: cdc13
Data collected on: Oct 17 2011

Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Sample #48, Operator: ZhuangJ

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.285 sec
Width 25510.2 Hz
20000 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 100.5115675 MHz
DECOUPLE H1, 399.7295294 MHz
Power 42 dB continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated

DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 12 hr, 41 min

13C NMR Spectrum of derived from

3-2-1i
Sample: zj-3-113-1
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20111017_01
File: ZhuangJ_20111017_01/data/Fluorine_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Fluorine_01
INOVA-500 "ulnmr500"

$^{19}$F NMR Spectrum of
Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 30.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.000 sec
Width 103.5 kHz
16 repetitions
OBSERVE F19, 470.1317140 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.9 Hz
PT size 262144
Total time 0 min, 36 sec
Sample: s3-3-41-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20100610_01
File: /home/walkup/vnrsys/data/auto_2010.06.08/ZhuangJ_20100610_01/data/Proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: dcl3
Temp. 25.0 °C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Proton_01

VNMRS-400 "ulmar400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 6410.3 Hz
8 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 399.7698366 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 30 sec

$\text{^1H NMR Spectrum of }$ 3-3-2-2c
Sample: aj-3-41-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20100610_02
File: /home/walkup/vnmrsys/data/auto_2010.06.08/ZhuangJ_20100610_02/data/Carbon_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: a2pul
Solvant: cdCl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Carbon_01
VNMRS-400 "ulnar400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 24509.8 Hz
2000 repetitions
OBSERVE C13, 100.522010 MHz
DECouple H1, 399.7718181 MHz
Power 40 dB
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 1 hr, 16 min, 41 sec

\[ ^{13}\text{C NMR Spectrum of} \]

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\text{3-3-2-2c}
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Sample: zj-3-50-1
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20100730_03
File: /home/walkup/vmreys/data/auto_2010.07.19/ZhuangJ_20100730_03/data/proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Proton_01
VNMRS-400 "ulnar400"

Relax, delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 6410.3 Hz
8 repetitions

Observe: H1, 399.7698350 MHz

Data Processing
Resol: enhancement -0.0 Hz
PT size 65536
Total time 0 min. 30 sec

\(^1\text{H} \) NMR Spectrum of

![NMR Spectrum Image]
Sample: zj-3-53-2
Sample ID: zhuangj_20100807_05
File: /home/walkup/vnmrsys/data/auto_2010_08.02/zhuangj_20100807_05/data/Proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdc13
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Proton_01

VNMRS-400 "ulmr400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 6410.3 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE HI. 399.7698193 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 30 sec

1H NMR Spectrum of 3-3-2-2g
Sample: zj-3-50-1
Sample ID: Zhuang_J_20100730_04
File: /home/walkup/vnmrjse/data/auto_2010.07.19/Zhuang_J_20100730_04/data/Carbon_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: dcd13
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: Zhuang
File: Carbon_01
VMRS-400 "ulnmr400"

Delay: delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 24509.8 Hz
1000 repetitions
OBSERVE C13, 100.522010 MHz
DECoupling H1, 399.7718181 MHz
Power 40 dB
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 30 min, 21 sec

$^{13}$C NMR Spectrum of 3-3-2-2f
Sample: sJ-3.53-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20100807_05
File: /home/walkup/vnmrsys/data/auto_2010.08.02/ZhuangJ_20100807_05/data/Proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdo13
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Proton_01
VNMRS-400 -ulmr400-

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 6410.3 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE H1, 399.7698193 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 30 sec

\(^1\)H NMR Spectrum of 3-3-2-2g
Sample: zj-3.53.2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20100807_07
File: /home/walkup/vnmrsys/data/auto_2010.08.02/ZhuangJ_20100807_07/data/Carbon_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s3pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Carbon_01

VERTEX-400 *ulnmar400*

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 24509.8 Hz
5000 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 100.5222010 MHz
DECOUPLE N1, 399.7718181 MHz
Power 40 dB
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated

DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 3 hr, 11 min, 43 sec
Sample: zj-3-53-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20100807_06
File: /home/walkup/vmrreys/data/auto_2010.08.02/zhuangJ_20100807_06/data/fluorine_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: m2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Fluorine_01
VMRREYS-400 *ulmar400*

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 30.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.000 sec
Width 78825.0 Hz
16 repetitions
OBSERVE p19, 376.1594577 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.9 Hz
FT size 2042144
Total time 0 min, 36 sec

$^{19}$F NMR Spectrum of 3-3-2-2g
Sample: zj-3-54-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20100810_02
File: /home/walkup/vnarsys/data/auto_2010.08.09/ZhuangJ_20100810_02/data/Proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: zp2pul
Solvent: cdc13
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ

VNMR-400 "ulnrmr400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 6610.3 Hz
8 repetitions

DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
PT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 30 sec

1H NMR Spectrum of

\[ \text{3-3-2-2h} \]
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20100810_04
File: /home/walkup/vnmrsy/data/auto_2010.08.09/ZhuangJ_20100810_04/data/Carbon_01.fld

Pulse Sequence: a2pal
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Carbon_01
VMRMS-400 "ulmarm400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.200 sec
Width 24509.8 Hz
192 repetitions

NMR400 1.10.09
Power 40 dB
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
PT size 65536
Total time 9 min, 49 sec

13C NMR Spectrum of

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Sample: zj-3-54-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20100810_03
File: /home/walkup/vnmrsys/data/auto_2010.08.09/zhuangj_20100810_03/data/pluorine_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Pluorine_01

VNMRS-400 “ulnmr400”

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 30.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.000 sec
Width 78125.0 Hz
16 repetitions

OBSERVE F19, 376.1505201 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.9 Hz
FT size 262144
Total time 0 min, 36 sec

\[ \text{19F NMR Spectrum of} \]

\[ 3-3-2-2h \]
Sample: 3j-3-52-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20100805_01
File: /home/walkup/vnmrsys/data/auto_2010.08.02/ZhuangJ_20100805_01/data/proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
solvent: cdc13
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Proton_01

VMR400 "ulmr400"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 6410.3 Hz
8 repetitions

OBSERVE H1, 399.7698193 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
PT size 65536
Total time 0 min, 30 sec
Sample: %j-3-52-2
Sample ID: ZhuangJ_20100805_02
File: /home/walkup/vnmrsys/data/auto_2010.08.02/ZhuangJ_20100805_03/data/Carbon_01.f1d

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdc13
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Operator: ZhuangJ
File: Carbon_01

VRMRB-400 "ulnmr400"

Relax. delay 1.000 soc
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 24509.8 Hz
64 repetitions

OBSERVE C13. 100.52226010 MHz
DECOCPLX H1. 399.7718181 MHz
Power 40 db
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated

DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 9 min. 49 sec

13C NMR Spectrum of

\[ \text{3-3-2-2i} \]
SPA14-3-4
Zhuang Jin
15 mg in cdcl3

Sample: SPA14-3-4
Sample ID: hammondSPA14-3-4_20110613_02
File: smt/ulmnr700/walkup/vnmrsyx/data/auto_2011.06.13_02/hammond SPA14-3-4_20110613_02/data/Proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: a2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 22.0 C / 295.1 K
Sample #2, Operator: hammond
File: Proton_01
VNMRS-400 -ulnnr-ds-

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 5605.4 Hz
8 repetitions
OBSERVE H1, 699.8134495 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 0 min. 30 sec

1H NMR Spectrum of

Physangulidine A (1)
Sample: SPA14-3-4
Sample ID: hammond_SPA14-3-4_20110613_02
File: mnt/uimr700/walkup/vnarsys/data/auto_2011.06.13_02/hammond_SPA14-3-4_20110613_02/data/Carbon_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: 82pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 22.0 C / 295.1 K
Sample #2, Operator: hammond

Pulse: 45.0 degrees
Angle time 1.300 sec
Width 4310.3 Hz
2000 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 175.8668318 MHz
DECoupled H1, 699.8169486 MHz
Power 36 dB
continuously on

WALTZ-16 modulated

DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
FT size 131072
Total time 1 hr, 16 min, 41 sec

13C NMR Spectrum of Physangulidine A (1)
SPA14-3-4
Shuang Jin
15 mg in cdcl3

Sample: SPA14-3-4
Sample ID: hammond_SPA14-3-4_20110613_02
File: hnt/ulnr700/walkup/vnarays/data/auto_2011.06.13_02/hammond_SPA14-3-4_20110613_02/data/Ghaqcad_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: gHSQCd
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 22.0 C / 295.1 K
Sample #2. Operator: hammond
File: Ghaqcad_01
VNMRS-400 "ulnmx-ds"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Mixing 0.800 sec
Acq. time 0.230 sec
Width 5605.4 Hz
2D Width 29917.7 Hz
2 repetitions
3 x 356 increments
OBSERVE H1, 699.813498 MHS
DECOUPLE C13, 175.9814294 MHS
Power 43 dB
on during acquisition
off during delay
W40_HCM_CP modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Gaus spodization 0.106 sec
F1 DATA PROCESSING
Gaus spodization 0.008 sec
FT size 4096 x 2048
Total time 22 min, 6 sec

HSQC Spectrum of
Physangulidine A (1)
H-H COSY Spectrum of Physangulidine A (1)
HMBC Spectrum of Physangulidine A (1)
ROESY Spectrum of Physangulidine A (1)
SPA14-3-2
Zhuang Jin
1.2 mg in cdcl3

Sample: SPA14-3-2
Sample ID: hammond_SPA14-3-2_20110613_01
File: /mnt/ul/nr700/walkup/vnmrs/data/auto_2011.06.13_02/hammond_SPA14-3-2_20110613_01/data/Proton_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 22.0 C / 295.1 K
Sample #3, Operator: hammond
File: Proton_01
VNMRS-400 "ulnar-de"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 2.049 sec
Width 11261.3 Hz
3 repetitions

OBSERVE
H, 699.8136495 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Resol. enhancement -0.0 Hz
FT size 65536
Total time 8 min, 30 sec

^1H NMR Spectrum of
Physangulidine B (2)
Sample: SPA14-3-2
Sample ID: hammond_SPA14-3-2_20110613_02
File:mnt/ulmr705/walkup/vnmrsys/data/auto_2011.06.13_02/hammond_SPA14-3-2_20110613_02/data/Carbon_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: s2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 22.0 C / 295.1 K
Sample 83, Operator: hammond
Filer Carbon 01
VNMRS-400 "ulmr-da" 217.1 MHz
24.1 Hz
Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 43103.4 Hz
10000 repetitions
OBSERVE: C13, 175.9682318 MHz
DECOUPLE H1, 699.8169486 MHz
Power 36 dB
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated
DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 0.5 Hz
FT size 131072
Total time 6 hr, 23 min, 26 sec

Physangulidine B (2)
HSQC Spectrum of Physangulidine B (2)
Sample: SPA14-3-2
Sample ID: hammond SPA14-3-2 20110613
File: mnt/unmr700/walkup/vnmrsys/data/auto_2011.06.13_02/hammond_SPA14-3-2_20110613_02/data/Gcosy_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: gCOSY
Solvent: dcd13
Temp. 22.0 C / 295.1 K
Sample #3, Operator: hammond
File: Gcosy_01
VNMRS-400 "ulnrm-ds"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Acq. time 0.183 sec
Width 5605.4 Hz
2D Width 5605.4 Hz
4 repetitions
256 increments
OBSERVE H1, 699.8134525 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Sine bell 0.091 sec
F1 DATA PROCESSING
Sine bell 0.091 sec
FT size 4096 x 4096
Total time 21 min, 1 sec

H-H COSY Spectrum of Physangulidine B (2)
Sample: SPA14-3-2
Sample ID: hammond_SPA14-3-2_20110808_01
File: mat/ulnrm700/walkup/vnrays/data/auto_2011.08.08/hammond_SPA14-3-2_20110808_01/data/Ghmbo_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: gHMBC
SPA14-3-2 (Zhuang Jin)
< 3mg in cdcl3

Sample: SPA14-3-2
Sample ID: hammond_SPA14-3-2_20110809_01
File: /mnt/unmr700/walkup/vnmrsys/data/auto_2011.08.08/hammond_SPA14-3-2_20110809_01/data/Ro8sy_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: ROESY
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Sample #5, Operator: hammond
File: Ro8sy_01

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Mixing 0.400 sec
Acq. time 0.177 sec
Width 5787.0 Hz
ID Width 5787.0 Hz
32 repetitions
3 x 256 increments
OBSERVE H1, 695.8134510 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Gauss apodization 0.082 sec
F1 DATA PROCESSING
Gauss apodization 0.082 sec
FT size 4096 x 4096
Total time 7 hr, 18 min, 36 sec

ROESY Spectrum of

Physangulidine B (2)
**Sample:** SPA14-3-3
**Sample ID:** hammond_SPA14-3-3_20110613_01
**File:** mnt/unmar700/walkup/vnmrsys/data/auto_2011.06.13_02/hammond_SPA14-3-3_20110613_01/data/Proton_01.fid

**Pulse Sequence:** s2p1
**Solvent:** cdcl3
**Temp.** 22.0 C / 295.1 K
**Sample #1, Operator:** hammond
**File:** Proton_01
**VNMRS-400 "ulmar-de"**

- **Relax. delay:** 1.000 sec
- **Pulse:** 45.0 degrees
- **Acq. time:** 2.049 sec
- **Width:** 11261.3 Hz
- **8 repetitions**
**OBSEIVE H1, 699.8134935 MHz**
**DATA PROCESSING**
- **Resol. enhancement:** -0.0 Hz
- **FT size:** 65536
- **Total time:** 0 min, 30 sec

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**1H NMR Spectrum of**

Physangulidine C (3)
SPA14-3-3
Zhuang Jin
4.1 mg in cdcl3

Sample: SPA14-3-3
Sample ID: hammond_SPA14-3-3_20110613_02
File: mnt/ulmr700/walkup/vnmrays/data/auto_2011.06.13_02/hammond_SPA14-3-3_20110613_02/data/Carbon_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: a2pul
Solvent: cdcl3
Temp. 22.0 C / 295.1 K
Sample #1, Operator: hammond
File: Carbon_01
Vnmrs-400 "ulmar-ds"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Pulse 45.0 degrees
Acq. time 1.300 sec
Width 4310.34 Hz
10000 repetitions

OBSERVE C13, 175.9682318 MHz
DECCUPLE H1, 699.8169486 MHz
Power 36 dB
continuously on
WALTZ-16 modulated

DATA PROCESSING
Line broadening 1.0 Hz
FT size 131072
Total time 6 hr, 23 min, 26 sec

13C NMR Spectrum of
Physangulidine C (3)

ppm
Sample: SPA14-3-3
Sample ID: hammond_SPA14-3-3_20110613_02
File: mnt/ulnrm700/walkup/vnmrays/data/auto_2011.06.13_02/hammond_SPA14-3-3_20110613_02/data/Ghsqc_01.d

Pulse Sequence: gHSQCAD
Solvent: d6-DMSO
Temp. 22.0 C / 295.1 K
Sample #1, Operator: hammond
File: Ghsqcad_01
VNMRS-400 "ulnrm-ds"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Mixing 0.500 sec
Acq. time 0.230 sec
Width 5605.4 Hz
2D Width 29917.7 Hz
2 repetitions
2 x 256 increments

DECREASE N1, 699.8134922 MHz
DECREASE C13, 175.9814294 MHz
Power 43 dB
on during acquisition
off during delay
W40 NCH CP modulated

DATA PROCESSING
Gauss apodization 0.106 sec
F1 DATA PROCESSING
Gauss apodisation 0.008 sec
FT size 4096 x 2048
Total time 22 min. 6 sec
H-H COSY Spectrum of Physangullifera C (3)
SPA14-3-3 (Zhuang Jin)
- 6m in cdcl3
Sample: SPA14-3-3
Sample ID: hammond_SPA14-3-3_20110808_01
File: mat/ulnmr700/walkup/vnmrsys/data/auto_2011.08.08/hammond_SPA14-3-3_20110808_01/data/Ghmbc_01.fid
Pulse Sequence: gHMBC

HMBC Spectrum of Physangulidine C (3)
SPA14-3-3 (Zhuang Jin)
6 mg in cdc13

Sample: SPA14-3-3
Sample ID: hammond_SPA14-3-3_20110809_01
File: mat/ulnrmr700/walkup/vnmaas/denroto 2011.08.08/hammond_SPA14-3-3_20110809_01/data/Roesy_01.fid

Pulse Sequence: ROESY
Solvent: cdc13
Temp. 25.0 C / 298.1 K
Sample #6, Operator: hammond
File: Roesy_01

VNMRS-400 "ulnrmr-da"

Relax. delay 1.000 sec
Mixing 0.400 sec
Acq. time 0.183 sec
Width 5605.4 Hz
2D Width 5605.4 Hz
16 repetitions
2 x 256 increments
OBSERVE H1, 699.813459 MHz
DATA PROCESSING
Gauss apodisation 0.084 sec
F1 DATA PROCESSING
Gauss apodisation 0.084 sec
FT size 4096 x 4096
Total time 3 hr, 40 min, 37 sec

ROESY Spectrum of Physangulidine C (3)
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Manuscript in Preparation or Submitted

(2) “Replacement of BF₄⁻ by PF₆⁻, Makes Selectfluor Greener” (in preparation).

(1) “Stereoselective Synthesis of Fluoroalkyl (E)-α,β-Unsaturated Ketones Using a Combination of Gold and Selectfluor” (submitted).

Publications:


Patents:

(2) "Physangulidines A, B and C: Three New Antiproliferative Withanolides from Physalis angulata L." patent application is currently underway.


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