## **Supporting Information**

for

## Application of the diastereoselective photodeconjugation of $\alpha,\beta$ unsaturated esters to the synthesis of gymnastatin H

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## Full experimental and spectral data for compounds 10c, 14–27

Ethyl 2-methyl-2-octenoate: 14 [1]



Triethyl 2-phosphonopropionate **13a** (11.98 mmol; 2.85 g; 1.2 equiv) was added dropwise to a suspension of NaH 60% weight in mineral oil (11.98 mmol; 479 mg; 1.2 equiv) in dry THF (100 mL) at 0 °C under an argon atmosphere. After 1 h stirring, hexanal (9.98 mmol; 1 g) was added. The reaction was stirred to

rt for 2 h before being quenched with a saturated aqueous solution of NH<sub>4</sub>Cl. The solvent was removed by half in vacuo and the resulting mixture was extracted with DCM ( $3 \times 30$  mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (98:2 petroleum ether: EtOAc) afforded the known product 14 as a colorless oil in 83% yield (8.28 mmol; 1.527 g; *E/Z* mixture 5/1).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 0.85–0.98 (m, 3H, H<sub>8</sub>); 1.24–1.40 (m, 7H, H<sub>6.7,11</sub>); 1.40–1.54 (m, 2H, H<sub>5</sub>); 1.85 (d, J=1.5 Hz, 2.5H, H<sub>9E</sub>); 1.91 (d, J=1.3 Hz, 0.5H, H<sub>9Z</sub>); 2.16 (q, J=6.8 Hz, 1.7H, H<sub>4E</sub>); 2.43 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 0.3H, H<sub>4Z</sub>); 4.18 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 1.7H, H<sub>10E</sub>); 4.19 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 0.3H, H<sub>10Z</sub>); 5.9  $(tq, {}^{3}J = 5.9 \text{ Hz}, {}^{4}J = 1.5 \text{ Hz}, 0.17\text{ H}, H_{3Z})$ ; 6.78  $(tq, {}^{3}J = 7.5 \text{ Hz}, {}^{4}J = 1.3 \text{ Hz}, 0.83\text{ H}, H_{3E})$ . <sup>13</sup>**C** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 12.3 (q, C<sub>9</sub>); 14.0–14.3 (q, 2C, C<sub>8.11</sub>); 22.6–28.3 - 28.7–31.6 (t, 4C, C<sub>4-7</sub>); 60.3 (t, C<sub>10</sub>); 127.7 (s, C<sub>2</sub>); 142.4 (d, C<sub>3</sub>); 168.3 (s, C<sub>1</sub>).

2-Methyl-2-octenoic acid: 15



To a solution of 14 (7.5 mmol; 1.39 g) in EtOH/H<sub>2</sub>O (50/10 mL) was added KOH (11.3 mmol; 633 mg; 1.5 equiv). The reaction was heated at reflux for 3 h. After being cooled down, the solution was concentrated by half in vacuo. The resulting mixture was diluted in ether and washed with a saturated aqueous solution of  $Na_2CO_3$  (3 x 15 mL). The combined aqueous layers were acidified

with 1N HCl until pH = 1 and then extracted with EtOAc (4 x 15 mL). The organic extracts were

dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated in vacuo affording the desired product **15** as a pale yellow oil in 93% yield (6.97 mmol; 1.087 g; E/Z mixture 9/1).

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 0.80–0.99 (m, 3H, H<sub>8</sub>); 1.20–1.42 (m, 4H, H<sub>6,7</sub>); 1.46 (m, 2H, H<sub>5</sub>); 1.83 (s, 2.6H, H<sub>9E</sub>); 1.91 (s, 0.4H, H<sub>9Z</sub>); 2.19 (q, J = 7.3 Hz, 1.8H, H<sub>4E</sub>); 2.51 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 0.2H, H<sub>4Z</sub>); 6.09 (tq,  ${}^{3}J = 7.4$  Hz,  ${}^{4}J = 1.3$  Hz, 0.1H, H<sub>3Z</sub>); 6.92 (tq,  ${}^{3}J = 7.4$  Hz,  ${}^{4}J = 1.1$  Hz, 0.9H, H<sub>3E</sub>).

(1,2,4,5-Di-O-isopropyliden-α-D-fructopyranose-3-O-yl) 2-methyl-2-octenoate : 16



To a solution of **15** (6.96 mmol; 1.087 g), DMAP (2.09 mmol, 255 mg, 0.3 equiv) and diacetone D-glucose (7.66 mmol; 1.994 g; 1.1 equiv) at 0 °C in DCM (60 mL) was added DCC (7.66 mmol; 1.580 g; 1.1 equiv). The reaction was allowed to warm to rt overnight under stirring. The mixture was washed with water ( $2 \times 20$  mL) and the resulting aqueous layer was extracted with ether ( $3 \times 15$  mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated in vacuo.

Flash chromatography (90:10 petroleum ether:EtOAc) afforded the desired product **16** as a colorless oil in 77% yield (5.35 mmol; 2.123 g; *E/Z* mixture 5.7/1).

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 0.77–0.91(m, 3H, H<sub>8</sub>); 1.17–1.33 (m, 12H, H<sub>5-7,15-16</sub>); 1.36 (s, 3H, H<sub>20</sub>); 1.48 (s, 3H, H<sub>21</sub>); 1.78 (s, 2.5H, H<sub>9E</sub>); 1.99 (s, 0.5H, H<sub>9Z</sub>); 2.13 (q, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H, H<sub>4</sub>); 3.92–4.10 (m, 2H, H<sub>18</sub>); 4.15–4.27 (m, 2H, H<sub>13,17</sub>); 4.48 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H, H<sub>11</sub>); 5.23 (m, 1H, H<sub>10</sub>); 5.84 (d, J = 3.8Hz, 1H, H<sub>12</sub>); 6.73 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 12.4–14.0 (q, 2C, C<sub>8,9</sub>); 22.5–28.2–28.8–31.6 (t, 4C, C<sub>4-7</sub>); 25.3–26.3–26.8 (q, 4C, C<sub>15-16, 20-21</sub>); 67.3 (t, C<sub>18</sub>); 72.7–76.3 - 80.1–83.4–105.2 (d, 5C, C<sub>10-13,17</sub>); 109.3–112.2 (s, 2C, C<sub>14,19</sub>); 127.1 (s, C<sub>2</sub>); 144.2 (d, C<sub>3</sub>); 166.8 (s, C<sub>1</sub>).

(2R)-(1,2,4,5-Di-O-isopropyliden-α-D-fructopyranose-3-O-yl) 2-methyl-3-octenoate : 17



To a solution of **16** (0.9 mmol; 360 mg) in DCM (90 mL) was added *N*,*N*-dimethylethanolamine (0.9 mmol; 80.2 mg; 1 equiv). The resulting solution was degassed by bubbling argon and equally distributed in 6 quartz tubes which were irradiated (254 nm) at -60 °C for 6 h. The combined solutions were then passed without concentration through a silica pad then was washed with a 80:20 petroleum ether:EtOAc solution, affording after concentration in vacuo, the

desired product **17** as a colorless oil in 91% yield (0.82 mmol; 326 mg; E/Z mixture 3/1) with a d.e. > 95% determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR.

<sup>1</sup>**H** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 0.84–0.94 (m, 3H, H<sub>8</sub>); 1.24 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 0.7H, H<sub>9Z</sub>); 1.25 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2.3H, H<sub>9E</sub>); 1.27–1.38 (m, 10H, H<sub>6-7,15-16</sub>); 1.40 (s, 3H, H<sub>20</sub>); 1.52 (s, 3H, H<sub>21</sub>); 2.01 (q, J = 6.7 Hz, 1.5H, H<sub>5E</sub>); 2.05 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 0.5 Hz, H<sub>5Z</sub>); 3.12 (q<sub>t</sub>, J = 7.1 Hz, 0.7H, H<sub>2E</sub>); 3.33–3.4 (m, 0.3H, H<sub>2Z</sub>); 3.94–4.12 (m, 2H, H<sub>18</sub>); 4.16–4.24 (m, 2H, H<sub>13,17</sub>); 4.45 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>11</sub>); 5.25–5.26 (m, 1H, H<sub>10</sub>); 5.32–5.63 (m, 2H, H<sub>3-4</sub>); 5.87 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H, H<sub>12</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) : 13.8–17.1 (q, 2C, C<sub>8,9E</sub>); 17.7 (q, C<sub>9Z</sub>); 22.1–31.2–32.0 (t, 3C, C<sub>5E-7</sub>); 31.5 (t, C<sub>5Z</sub>); 67.2 (t, C<sub>18</sub>); 72.2–75.8 –80.0–83.3–105.0 (d, 5C, C<sub>10-13,17</sub>); 109.1–112.1 (s, 2C, C<sub>14,19</sub>); 128.1–132.7 (d, 2C, C<sub>3E-4E</sub>); 127.9–132.2 (d, 2C, C<sub>3Z-4Z</sub>); 173.2 (s, C<sub>1</sub>). [α]<sup>22</sup><sub>D</sub> = -83.0 (c 1.9; CHCl<sub>3</sub>). HRMS: Calculated for M + Na<sup>+</sup>: 421.2202; Found M + Na<sup>+</sup>: 421.2201.



To a solution of **17** (2.4 mmol; 964 mg) in dry ether (20 mL) was added  $PtO_2$  (0.12 mmol; 46 mg; 0.05 equiv). The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 6 h under a H<sub>2</sub> atmosphere. The catalyst was then removed by filtration and the resulting solution was concentrated in vacuo to afford the desired product **18** as a colourless oil in 99% yield (2.38 mmol; 952 mg).

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 0.82–0.94 (m, 3H, H<sub>8</sub>); 1.16 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, H<sub>9</sub>); 1.23–1.35 (m, 14H, H<sub>4-7,15-16</sub>); 1.40 (s, 3H, H<sub>20</sub>); 1.52 (s, 3H, H<sub>21</sub>); 1.56–1.75 (m, 2H, H<sub>3</sub>); 2.46 (sext, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H, H<sub>2</sub>); 3.96–4.15 (m, 2H, H<sub>18</sub>); 4.17–4.27 (m, 2H, H<sub>13,17</sub>); 4.44 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H, H<sub>11</sub>); 5.26 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H, H<sub>10</sub>); 5.87 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>12</sub>). [ $\alpha$ ]<sup>22</sup><sub>D</sub> = -26.0 (c 1.6; CHCl<sub>3</sub>). **HRMS:** Calculated for M + Na<sup>+</sup>: 423.2359; Found: M + Na<sup>+</sup>: 423.2358.

(2R)-2-Methyloctanol: 19 [2]



To a solution of **18** (2.4 mmol; 952 g) in dry ether (15 mL) at 0 °C, was slowly added LiAlH<sub>4</sub> (3.6 mmol; 135 mg; 1.5 equiv). The reaction was allowed to stir to rt for 1 h. The reaction was cooled down to 0 °C and quenched by adding dropwise and respectively water (140  $\mu$ L), 1N NaOH (140  $\mu$ L), and water again (280  $\mu$ L). The formed precipitate was removed by filtration

and the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (90:10 petroleum ether:EtOAc) afforded the desired and known product **19** as a colorless oil in 83% yield (2.0 mmol; 288 mg) [2].

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 0.82 (t, J = 7.0 Hz; 3H, H<sub>8</sub>); 0.85 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, H<sub>9</sub>); 1.08–1.13 (m, 1H, H<sub>3a</sub>); 1.28–1.35 (m, 9H, H<sub>4-7,3b</sub>); 1.61 (m, 1H, H<sub>2</sub>); 3.46 (ddd, <sup>2</sup>J=28.4 Hz, <sup>3</sup> $J_1$  = 10.3 Hz, <sup>3</sup> $J_2$  = 5.6 Hz, 2H, H<sub>1</sub>). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 14.2 (q, C<sub>8</sub>); 16.7 (q, C<sub>9</sub>); 22.8–27.1–29.7–32.0–33.3 (t, 5C, C<sub>3-7</sub>); 35.9 (d, C<sub>2</sub>); 68.6 (t, C<sub>1</sub>). [α]<sup>22</sup><sub>D</sub> = +5.0 (c 1.2; CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Literature: [α]<sup>22</sup><sub>D</sub> = +10.3 (c 1.0; CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) [1].

(2R)-2-Methyloctanal: 20 [3]



To a solution of **19** (1.88 mmol; 272 mg) in dry DCM (15 mL) at 0 °C was added the Dess-Martin periodinane 15% weight in DCM (2.26 mmol; 4.85 mL; 1.2 equiv). The reaction was allowed to stir to rt for 2.5 h and was then quenched by adding a 1:1 mixture of saturated aqueous  $NH_4CI:Na_2S_2O_3$ . The aqueous layer was extracted with DCM (3 × 10 mL) and the combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and

concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (95:5 petroleum ether:EtOAc) afforded the desired and known compound **20** as a colorless oil in 70% yield (1.32 mmol; 190 mg) [3].

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 0.83–0.94 (m, 3H, H<sub>8</sub>); 1.07 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, H<sub>9</sub>); 1.27 (m, 9H, H<sub>2-7</sub>, 3<sub>a</sub>); 1.68 (m, 1H, H<sub>3b</sub>); 2.32 (s<sub>x</sub>d,  $J_1 = 6.8$  Hz,  $J_2 = 2.1$  Hz, 1H, H<sub>2</sub>); 9.60 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H, H<sub>1</sub>). **[\alpha]**<sup>22</sup><sub>D</sub> = -17.2 (c 1.9; CHCl<sub>3</sub>).Literature [3]: **[\alpha]**<sup>22</sup><sub>D</sub> = -19.7 (c 5.8; CHCl<sub>3</sub>).



To a solution of 20 (0.86 mmol; 123 mg) in toluene (5 mL) was added the (carbethoxyethylidene) triphenylphosphorane (2.6 mmol; 1 g; 3 equiv). The reaction was heated at reflux for 16 h. After being cooled down, the solution was concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (99:1 petroleum

ether:EtOAc) afforded the known product **21** as a colorless oil in 80% yield (0.69 mmol; 155 mg) [2].

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 0.82–0.93 (m, 3H, H<sub>10</sub>); 0.99 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, H<sub>12</sub>); 1.20–1.40 (m, 10H, H<sub>5-9</sub>); 1.30 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H, H<sub>14</sub>); 1.83 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 3H, H<sub>11</sub>); 2.41–2.56 (m, 1H, H<sub>4</sub>); 4.18 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H, H<sub>13</sub>); 6,53 (dq, <sup>3</sup>J = 10.1 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J = 1.4 Hz, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>**C NMR** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 12.6–14.2–14.4–20.1 (q, 4C, C<sub>10-12,14</sub>); 22.8–27.6–29.5–31.9–37.0 (t, 5C, C<sub>5-9</sub>); 33.4 (d, C<sub>4</sub>); 60.5 (t, C<sub>13</sub>); 126.4 (s, C<sub>2</sub>); 148.3 (d, C<sub>3</sub>); 168.6 (s, C<sub>1</sub>).  $[\alpha]^{22}{}_{D} = -18.7$  (c 0.5; CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Literature:  $[\alpha]^{22}{}_{D} = -25.9$  (c 0.75; CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) [4].

(4R)-2,4-dimethyl-2-decen-1-ol: 22 [2].



To a solution of **21** (0.35 mmol; 80 mg) in dry THF (3 mL) cooled down to 0 °C, under an argon atmosphere, was added dropwise the DIBAL-H 1M in heptane (0.74 mmol; 0.74 mL; 2.1 equiv). The solution was stirred to rt for 2 h before being quenched by adding 1N HCl until pH = 1. The white

precipitate formed was removed by filtration and the filtrate was extracted with DCM ( $3 \times 10 \text{ mL}$ ). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated in vacuo to afford the known product **22** as a colorless oil in quantitative yield (0.35 mmol; 64 mg).

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 0.84–0.95 (m, 3H, H<sub>10</sub>); 0.93 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, H<sub>12</sub>); 1.16–1.36 (m, 10H, H<sub>5-9</sub>); 1.66 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 3H, H<sub>11</sub>); 2.28–2.43 (m, 1H, H<sub>4</sub>); 3.99 (d, J = 0.9 Hz, 2H, H<sub>1</sub>); 5.17 (dq, <sup>3</sup>J=9.5 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J = 1.3 Hz, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>).

(4R)-2,4-dimethyl-2-decenal: 23



To a solution of **22** (0.35 mmol; 65 mg) in dry DCM (4 mL) at 0 °C was added the Dess-Martin periodinane 15% weight in DCM (0.42 mmol; 0.87 mL; 1.2 equiv). The reaction was allowed to stir to rt for 2 h and was then quenched by adding a 1:1 mixture of saturated aqueous  $NH_4Cl:Na_2S_2O_3$ . The aqueous layer was extracted with

DCM (3  $\times$  10 mL) and the combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (95:5 petroleum ether:EtOAc) afforded product **23** as a colorless oil in 75% yield (0.26 mmol; 47.6 mg).

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 0.84–0.92 (m, 3H, H<sub>10</sub>); 1.06 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, H<sub>12</sub>); 1.18–1.35 (m, 10H, H<sub>5-9</sub>); 1.75 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 3H, H<sub>12</sub>); 2.60–2.76 (m, 1H, H<sub>4</sub>); 6.25 (dq, <sup>3</sup>J = 9.8 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J = 1.1 Hz, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>); 9.39 (s, 1H, H<sub>1</sub>).



Triethyl phosphonoacetate **13c** (0.34 mmol; 90  $\mu$ L; 1.2 equiv) was added dropwise to a suspension of NaH 60% weight in mineral oil (0.34 mmol; 13.5 mg; 1.2 equiv) in dry THF (2 mL) at 0 °C under a nitrogen atmosphere. After 1 h stirring, aldehyde **23** (0.28 mmol;

51 mg) was added dropwise. The reaction was stirred to rt overnight before being quenched with a saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution. The solvent was removed by half in vacuo and the resulting mixture was extracted with DCM ( $3 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (98:2 petroleum ether:EtOAc) afforded the desired product **24** as a colorless oil in 77% yield (0.21 mmol; 55 mg).

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 0.80–0.96 (m, 3H, H<sub>12</sub>); 0.97 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, H<sub>14</sub>); 1.15–1.50 (m, 13H, H<sub>7-11,16</sub>); 1.77 (d, J = 1.14 Hz, 3H, H<sub>13</sub>); 2.38–2.56 (m, 1H, H<sub>6</sub>); 4.14 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H, H<sub>15</sub>); 5.67 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H, H<sub>5</sub>); 5.78 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H, H<sub>2</sub>); 7.31 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>). Data in accordance with [5]

(6R)-4,6-Dimethyl-2,4-dodecadienoic acid: 25 [5]



To a solution of **24** (0.21 mmol; 55 mg) in a 1:1:1 mixture of THF:MeOH:H<sub>2</sub>O (2 mL) was added LiOH.H<sub>2</sub>O (2.1 mmol; 88 mg; 10 equiv). The reaction was stirred at rt overnight before being concentrated by half in vacuo, diluted with ether and washed with a saturated aqueous

 $Na_2CO_3$  solution (4 × 5 mL). The combined aqueous layers were acidified with 1N HCl until pH = 1 and was then extracted with EtOAc (5 × 5 mL). The organic extracts were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated in vacuo, affording the desired product **25** as a pale yellow oil in 70% yield (0.15 mmol; 34 mg).

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz): 0.80–0.94 (m, 3H, H<sub>12</sub>); 0.99 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, H<sub>14</sub>); 1.15–1.43 (m, 10H, H<sub>7-11</sub>); 1.79 (d, J=1.2 Hz, 3H, H<sub>13</sub>); 2.47–2.59 (m, 1H, H<sub>6</sub>); 5.76 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H, H<sub>5</sub>); 5.82 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>2</sub>); 7.42 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H, H<sub>3</sub>). Data in accordance with reference [5].

O-t-Butyldimethylsilyl L-tyrosine methylester: 26 [6]



To a solution of L-tyrosine methylester (0.51 mmol; 100 mg) in dry DCM (5 mL) were added imidazole (0.61 mmol; 93 mg; 1.2 equiv) and TBSCI (0.61 mmol; 42 mg; 1.2 equiv). The reaction was stirred at rt overnight before being quenched with a saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>CI solution. Phases were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with DCM (3 × 5 mL). The organic extracts were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. Flash chromatography (EtOAc) afforded the desired product **26** as a colorless oil in 87% yield (0.21 mmol; 137 mg) whose data were in

accordance with the literature [6].

Methyl 2-[(2*E*,4*E*)-4,6-dimethyldodeca-2,4-dienamido]-3-(4-*t*-butyldimethylsilyloxyphenyl)-propanoate : 27



Тο а solution of acid 25 (0.15 mmol; 34 mg), TBSprotected L-tyrosine methylester **26** (0.17 mmol; 53 mg; 1.1 equiv) and HOBt (0.17 mmol; 23 mg; 1.1 equiv) in DCM (2 mL) was added DCC (0.17 mmol; 35 mg; 1.1 equiv). The reaction was stirred at rt for 5.5 h. The solvent was removed in vacuo and flash chromatography of the residue

(85:15 petroleum ether:EtOAc) afforded the desired product **27** as a colorless oil in 57% yield (85  $\mu$ mol; 44 mg).

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz): 0.17 (s, 6H, H<sub>26,27</sub>); 0.87 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H, H<sub>22</sub>); 0.96 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, H<sub>24</sub>); 0.97 (s, 9H, H<sub>28-30</sub>); 1.12–1.42 (m, 10H, H<sub>17-21</sub>); 1.74 (d, J = 0.9 Hz, 3H, H<sub>23</sub>); 2.43–2.55 (m, 1H, H<sub>16</sub>); 3.09 (dd,  $J_1 = 5.6$  Hz,  $J_2 = 2.0$  Hz, 2H, H<sub>3</sub>); 3.70 (s, 3H, H<sub>25</sub>); 4.94 (dt,  $J_1 = 7.7$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.7$  Hz, 1H, H<sub>2</sub>); 5.62 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H, H<sub>15</sub>); 5.73 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H, H<sub>12</sub>); 5.97 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, H<sub>10</sub>); 6.75 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, H<sub>6.8</sub>); 6.95 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, H<sub>4.9</sub>); 7.21 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H, H<sub>13</sub>). <sup>13</sup>**C** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 4.3; 12.6; 14.2. 18.3; 20.7; 22.8; 25.8; 27.6; 29.5; 32.0; 37.3; 37.4; 52.4; 53.4; 117.4; 120.2; 128.7; 130.4; 131.0; 147.1; 148.0; 154.8; 166.2; 172;4.

Gymnastatin H: 10c [7]



To a solution of **27** (77.5  $\mu$ mol; 40 mg) in dry THF (1 mL) was added TBAF 1M in THF (85.3  $\mu$ mol; 85  $\mu$ L; 1.1 equiv). The solution was stirred at rt for 3 h before being quenched with a saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution. The resulting mixture was extracted with DCM (3 × 5 mL). The organic extracts were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. Flash

chromatography (50:50 petroleum ether:EtOAc) afforded gymnastatin H **10c** as a colorless oil in 96% yield (75 µmol; 30 mg).

<sup>1</sup>**H NMR** (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz): 0.87 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H, H<sub>22</sub>); 0.95 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, H<sub>24</sub>); 1.18–1.33 (m, 10H, H<sub>17-21</sub>); 1.73 (d, J = 0.7Hz, 3H, H<sub>23</sub>); 2.41–2.55 (m, 1H, H<sub>16</sub>); 3.10 (dd,  $J_1 = 14.1$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.8$  Hz, 1H, H<sub>3a</sub>); 3.03 (dd,  $J_1 = 14.1$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.8$  Hz, 1H, H<sub>3b</sub>); 3.72 (s, 3H, H<sub>25</sub>); 4.96 (dt,  $J_1 = 7.9$  Hz,  $J_2 = 5.7$  Hz, 1H, H<sub>2</sub>); 5.62 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H, H<sub>15</sub>); 5.74 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H, H<sub>12</sub>); 6.11 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, H<sub>10</sub>); 6.74 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H, H<sub>6,8</sub>); 6.94 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H, H<sub>5,9</sub>); 7.23 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H, H<sub>13</sub>). <sup>13</sup>**C** NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz): 12.6; 14.2; 20.6; 22.8; 27.6; 29.5; 31.9; 33.3; 37.4; 52.5; 53.6; 115.7; 117.0; 127.2; 130.4; 131.0; 147.6; 148.5; 155.6; 166.7; 172.6. [α]<sup>22</sup><sub>D</sub> = +104 (c 0.3; CHCl<sub>3</sub>) – Lit.: [α]<sup>22</sup><sub>D</sub> = +42.3 (c 0.14; CHCl<sub>3</sub>). HRMS (ESI): Calculated : M + Na<sup>+</sup>: 424.2458; Found: M + Na<sup>+</sup>: 424.2451. Spectroscopic data in accordance with [7].

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