## **Supporting Information**

for

# Synthesis and determination of the absolute configuration of (–)-(5*R*,6*Z*)-dendrolasin-5-acetate from the nudibranch *Hypselodoris jacksoni*

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#### S1: Procedure for etherification of 3-furanmethanol [1]

To a solution of geranyl bromide (**5**, 499.1 mg, 2.3 mmol) containing neryl bromide (<5%) and 3furylmethanol [2] (125 mg, 1.3 mmol) (**4**) in DMF (3 mL) was added NaH (ca. 60 % purity, 91.9 mg, ca. 36.7 mmol) at 0 °C and stirring was continued for 8 h at rt. The reaction was carefully quenched with sat. aq NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution in an ice bath. The reaction was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (v/v, 2:1), and the combined organic layers were washed with brine. The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated to give a residue, which was chromatographed on silica gel (80 g, hexanes/Et<sub>2</sub>O = 95:5) to afford an *E/Z* mixture (3:1) of the 3-furylmethyl ether (**6**, 386.5 mg) as a yellowish oil.



Geranyl 3-furylmethyl ether (6): <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.39 (1H, s, H-1), 7.37 (1H, s, H-15), 6.42 (1H, s, H-2), 5.37 (1H, t, *J* = 6.7, H-6), 5.09 (1H, t, *J* = 6.7, H-10), 4.37 (2H, s, H-4), 4.00 (2H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, H-5), 2.10 (2H, m, H-8), 2.04 (2H, m, H-9), 1.67 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>-14), 1.65 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>-12), 1.59 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>-13). (+)-LRESIMS *m*/*z* 234.33 [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>.

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S2: The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) of the natural sample of (-)-(5*R*,6*Z*)dendrolasin-5-acetate (1)



S3: gCOSY spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) of 1



## S4: gHSQC spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) of 1



S5: gHMBC spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) of 1



S6: The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) of (±)-(*E*)-1-(furan-3-yl)-4,8-dimethylnona-3,7-dien-2-ol (7a)



S7: The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) of (±)-(Z)-1-(furan-3-yl)-4,8-dimethylnona-3,7dien-2-ol (7b)





S8: The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) of (*R*,*R*)-(6*Z*)-dendrolasin MPA ester (11a)

S9: The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz) of (*R*,*S*)-(6*Z*)-dendrolasin MPA ester (11b)

