

## **Supporting Information**

for

# Discovery and biosynthesis of bacterial drimane-type sesquiterpenoids from *Streptomyces clavuligerus*

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### Materials and methods

#### General experimental procedures.

Restriction enzymes were purchased from Takara (Beijing, China). Primers were synthesized by Sangon Biotech (Shanghai, China). Gene sequencing was performed by Sangon Biotech (Shanghai, China). Phanta Super-Fidelity DNA Polymerase, ClonExpress II One Step Cloning Kit, and DNA gel extraction were used to clone DNA into plasmid, which was purchased from Vazyme Biotech (Nanjing, China). All plasmids were extracted from Escherichia coli DH5a strains with plasmid extraction kits (Vazyme Biotech, Nanjing, China). Other chemicals, biochemical, and media components were purchased from standard commercial sources. The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR experiments were conducted using a Bruker Avance NEO spectrometer with a 400 MHz operating frequency for <sup>1</sup>H nuclei and a 100 MHz operating frequency for <sup>13</sup>C nuclei. HPLC analysis performed on an Agilent 1260 Infinity with an Agilent Poroshell 120 EC-C18 column. Preparative HPLC was performed on an Agilent 1260 Prep Infinity LC with a VWD detector equipped with an Agilent Eclipse XDB-C18 column (250 mm  $\times$  21.2 mm, 7  $\mu$ m). MPLC was performed on a Sanotac Purifier-100 with ODS from Fuji Silysia Chemical. Optical rotations were obtained using an AUTOPOL IV automatic polarimeter (Rudolph Research Analytical). HRESIMS data were obtained using an Agilent G6230 Q-TOF mass instrument.

#### DNA manipulation and plasmid construction.

The genomic sequence of Streptomyces clavuligerus CGMCC 4.5336 was analyzed using

enzyme function initiative enzyme similarity tool (EFI-EST), antiSMASH, and NCBI to identify biosynthetic gene clusters (BGC) [1,2]. The S. clavuligerus genomic DNA was extracted using the DC103 kit. The target BGC was divided into three fragments and amplified from the genomic DNA using three pairs of primers listed in Table S4 and Phanta Max Super-Fidelity DNA Polymerase. The PCR products were purified and treated with ClonExpress Mix, and then cloned into plasmid pSET152-ermE between EcoRV and BamHI sites by homologous recombination to afford pLD10101, which has apramycin resistance gene. Similarly, the three P450 genes were amplified using corresponding primers by PCR, and then cloned into the EcoRV and BamHI sites of the pSET152-ermE vector, along with the amplified drimenol synthase and Nudix hydrolase. Using pLD10101 as a template, the three P450 genes were individually knocked out, resulting in four plasmids. All plasmids were verified by DNA sequencing. These plasmids were transferred into the E. coli ET12567/pUZ8002 strain individually, and further introduced into model Streptomyces by conjugation.

#### **Culture conditions**

*E. coli* strains carrying the plasmids were cultured in lysogeny broth (LB) medium and screened by apramycin. *S. clavuligerus* was cultivated at 28 °C on solid ISP2 medium, while other *Streptomyces* strains were cultured at 28 °C on solid MS or ISP2 media. The *E. coli–Streptomyces* mixtures were carefully plated onto ISP4 solid medium supplemented with 20 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> and incubated overnight at 28 °C. Three fermentation media (PTMM, <sup>S3</sup>

XTM, and ISM3, specific composition of each medium is listed below) were used to ferment recombinant *Streptomyces* strains [3-5]. Wild-type strains were cultured in PTMM, XTM, and YMS media. Fresh spores from each recombinant strain were inoculated into 50 mL Tryptone Soy Broth (TSB) supplemented with apramycin in 250 mL baffled flasks. The TSB liquid cultures were incubated in 28 °C shaker with 250 rpm for 48 h. Then, 4% (v/v) seed culture was transferred to 2.5-L baffled Erlenmeyer flasks containing 500 mL fermentation medium, and grown in 28 °C shaker with 250 rpm for 7 days. After fermentation, the culture was extracted with EtOAc directly, and EtOAc was removed under vacuum to obtain crude extract which can be used for terpenoids isolation.

**ISP2 medium** (1 liter): 4 g yeast extract, 10 g malt extract, 4 g dextrose, and 20 g agar, pH 7.3

**MS medium** (1 liter): 20 g D-mannitol, 20 g soya flour, 3 g CaCO<sub>3</sub>, and 20 g agar, pH 7.2 **ISP4 medium** (1 liter): 10 g soluble starch, 1 g K<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>, 1 g MgSO<sub>4</sub>, 1 g NaCl, 2 g (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, 2 g CaCO<sub>3</sub>, 1 mg FeSO<sub>4</sub>, 1 mg MnCl<sub>2</sub>, 1 mg ZnSO<sub>4</sub>, 20 g agar, pH 7.2

**PTMM medium** (1 liter): 40 g dextrin, 40 g lactose, 5 g yeast extract, 5 g MOPS, and 10 mL trace elements (ZnCl<sub>2</sub> 40 mg/L, FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O 200 mg/L, CuCl<sub>2</sub> 10 mg/L, MnCl<sub>2</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O 10 mg/L, Na<sub>2</sub>B<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub>·10H<sub>2</sub>O 10 mg/L, and (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>6</sub>Mo<sub>7</sub>O<sub>24</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O 10 mg/L), pH 7.3

**XTM medium** (1 liter): 10 g yeast extract, 10 g malt extract, 10 g maltose, and 10 mL trace elements (ZnCl<sub>2</sub> 40 mg/L, FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O 200 mg/L, CuCl<sub>2</sub> 10 mg/L, MnCl<sub>2</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O 10 mg/L, Na<sub>2</sub>B<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub>·10H<sub>2</sub>O 10 mg/L, and (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>6</sub>Mo<sub>7</sub>O<sub>24</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O 10 mg/L), pH 7.2

**ISM3 medium** (1 liter): 15 g yeast extract, 10 g malt extract, 0.5 g MgSO<sub>4</sub>, 0.3 g FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O, and 20 g glucose, pH 7.0

YMS medium (1 liter): 4 g yeast extract, 10 g malt extract, 4 g soluble starch, pH 7.0

#### Heterologous expression, extraction, and HPLC analysis.

Plasmid pLD10101 was transferred into the E. coli ET12567/pUZ8002 strain, and further introduced into three Streptomyces strains (S. lividans TK64, S. coelicolor M1154, and S. avermitilis SUKA22) by conjugation. After 20 h incubation at 28 °C, replate nalidixic acid and apramycin on ISP4 solid media to select for successful Streptomyces exconjugants. Identify positive colonies were screened through PCR with corresponding primers (Table S4). Other plasmids were individually transferred into S. avermitilis SUKA22 to obtain recombinant Streptomyces strains. All recombinant Streptomyces strains were fermented in three different media (PTMM, XTM and ISM3) in 28 °C shaker with 250 rpm for 7 days. (Feeding experiment: After one day of inoculating the seed culture, the substrate dissolved in DMSO is fed.) The 50 mL fermentations were transferred to 50 mL conical tubes and centrifuged at 3750 rpm for 20 min to separate broth and mycelium. Soak the mycelium in acetone, remove the solvent, and then extract the remaining solution and the broth with ethyl acetate (EtOAc). Then dissolve the broth and mycelium extract in CH<sub>3</sub>OH, filter it through a 0.22 µm filter, and proceed with HPLC analysis. The solvent gradient for the HPLC analysis is listed in Table S1.

#### Isolation and structural identification

*S. clavuligerus* was fermented individually on a 15 L scale using both the YMS and XTM media and *S. avermitilis* SUKA22 DL10085 was fermented in XTM medium with a 7.5 L scale. After 7 days of fermentation, the culture was centrifuged at 3750 rpm for 20 min to separate broth and mycelium. Combine the supernatant of YMS and XTM fermentation of *S. clavuligerus*, then the broth was extracted three times with EtOAc. Soak the mycelium in acetone, remove the solvent, and then extract the remaining solution with EtOAc. After vacuum concentration, combine the extraction of broth and mycelium. The XTM fermentation of *S. avermitilis* SUKA22 DL10085 was also processed using the same method. Crude extracts were fractionated by medium pressure liquid chromatography (MPLC) over ODS column eluted with a linear gradient CH<sub>3</sub>OH–H<sub>2</sub>O system from 20% CH<sub>3</sub>OH to 100% CH<sub>3</sub>OH. The target fractions were further purified by semi-preparative HPLC. Finally, the target components were subjected to <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR experiments to determine their chemical structures, which were then compared to reported data [7-9].

**3β-Hydroxydrimenol (2).** White, amorphous solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta_{\rm H} = 5.46$  (s, 1H), 3.78 (dd, J = 11.1, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 3.57 (dd, J = 11.1, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.19 (dd, J = 11.0, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.05 (dt, J = 13.3, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 1.98 (s, 2H), 1.81 (br, 1H), 1.76 (s, 3H), 1.63 (s, 2H), 1.28 (s, 1H), 1.17–1.21 (m, 1H), 0.96 (s, 3H), 0.85 (s, 3H), 0.81 (s, 3H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD)  $\delta_{\rm C} = 134.9$ , 123.7, 79.7, 61.1, 58.2, 51.0, 39.7, 38.9, 36.8, 28.7, 28.1, 24.4, 22.1, 15.9, 14.9 ppm.

**2α-Hydroxydrimenol (3).** Colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  = 5.55 (m, 1H), 3.96–3.83 (m, 2H), 3.78 (dd, *J* = 11.4, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (dt, *J* = 12.0, 3.2, 1H), 2.08–1.96 (m, 1H), 1.92 (m, 1H), 1.86 (m, 1H), 1.79 (m, 3H), 1.76 (m, 1H), 1.17 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 4.8 Hz, 2H), 1.04 (m, 1H), 0.94 (s, 6H), 0.91 (s, 3H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR(100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  = 132.6, 124.0, 65.0, 60.8, 57.1, 51.0, 49.2, 49.1, 37.9, 34.6, 33.3, 23.4,23.0, 21.8, 15.8 ppm.

**3-Ketodrimenol** (4). Colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta_{\rm H} = 5.51$  (s, 1H), 3.82 (dd, J = 11.3, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (dd, J = 11.3, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (td, J = 14.5, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (ddd, J = 13.4, 5.3, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.21 (dt, J = 14.5, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 2.10 (m, 1H), 1.94 (m, 2H), 1.77 (m, 3H), 1.61 (m, 2H), 1.11 (s, 3H), 1.07 (s, 3H), 1.04 (s, 3H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta_{\rm C} = 219.1$ , 135.1, 123.5, 61.0, 57.2, 52.8, 48.6, 39.4, 36.8, 35.5, 25.7, 24.9, 22.7, 22.1, 14.4 ppm.

**3β-Hydroxy-albicanol** (7). White, amorphous solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$ =4.96(s, 1H), 4.66(s, 1H), 3.85–3.72 (m, 2H), 3.27 (dd, *J* = 11.8, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.44 (ddd, *J* = 12.9, 4.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.08–1.89 (m, 3H), 1.76 (ddt, *J* = 13.9, 6.1, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 1.73– 1.66 (m, 2H), 1.66–1.51 (m, 1H), 1.49–1.30 (m, 3H), 1.12 (dd, *J* = 12.5, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 1.00 (s, 3H), 0.77 (s, 3H), 0.72 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR(100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm C}$  =147.4, 106.8, 78.7, 58.9, 58.8, 54.5, 39.2, 38.8, 37.8, 37.1, 28.4, 27.8, 23.9, 15.6, 15.4 ppm. **3β-Hydroxy-drim-8-ene-11-ol** (**8**). White, amorphous solid. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data see Table S6.

**7β-Hydroxy-drim-8-ene-11-ol** (9). White, amorphous solid.  $[\alpha]_{20}^D$  +21.0 (c 0.1, MeOH).

<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR data see Table S7. (–)-HRESIMS m/z 283.1916 [M + HCOO]<sup>–</sup> (calcd for

C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>27</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, 283.1909).

Time/min	H <sub>2</sub> O	CH <sub>3</sub> CN (containing 0.1%	
		formic acid)	
0	90%	10%	
22	0%	100%	
25	0%	100%	
25.01	90%	10%	
28	90%	10%	

Table S1: HPLC analysis of fermentation samples.

**Table S2:** Predicted gene functions and BLAST results of *cav* BGC.

$ \begin{array}{c} 1-kb \\ \hline \\ A B C \\ \hline \\ D E \\ \hline \\ F \\ G \\ \hline \end{array} $			
	TC Hydro	lase	P450 Others
Protien	Accession numbers	Size(aa)	Proposed function
CavA	WP_003956085	423	cytochrome P450
CavB	WP_003956086	165	NUDIX hydrolase
CavC	WP_009998890	488	Terpenoid cyclase
CavD	WP_003956088	275	SAM-dependent methyltransferase
CavE	EDY50540	445	cytochrome P450
CavF	WP_003956090	418	Terpenoid cyclase
CavG	WP_009998888	471	cytochrome P450

Table S3: Strains used in this study

Strain	Genotype, Description	Reference
<i>E. coli</i> DH5α	E. coli host for general cloning	General biosystems
		(Anhui, China)
<i>E. coli</i> BL21	E. coli host for protein expression	General biosystems
(DE3)		(Anhui, China)
<i>E. coli</i> ET12567/	Methylation-deficient E. coli host for intergeneric	[9]
pUZ8002	conjugation	
Streptomyces	Streptomyces used to extract the genome as a PCR	CGMCC
clavuligerus	template	
CGMCC 4.5336		
Streptomyces	Host strain for heterologous expression	[10]
<i>lividans</i> TK64		
Streptomyces	Host strain for heterologous expression	[11]
coelicolor M1154		
Streptomyces	Host strain for heterologous expression	[12]
avermitilis		
SUKA22		
DL10080	S. lividans integrated with pSET152 vector	This study
DL10081	S. lividans integrated with pLD10101	This study
DL10082	S. coelicolor integrated with pSET152 vector	This study
DL10083	S. coelicolor integrated with pLD10101	This study
DL10084	S. avermitilis integrated with pSET152 vector	This study
DL10085	S. avermitilis integrated with pLD10101	This study
DL10086	S. avermitilis integrated with pLD10102	This study
DL10087	S. avermitilis integrated with pLD10103	This study
DL10088	S. avermitilis integrated with pLD10104	This study
DL10089	S. avermitilis integrated with pLD10105	This study
DL10090	S. avermitilis integrated with pLD10106	This study
DL10091	S. avermitilis integrated with pLD10107	This study
DL10092	E. coli BL21 harboring pLD10012 and pLD10050	This study
DL10093	E. coli ET12567/pUZ8002 harboring pLD10101	This study
DL10094	E. coli ET12567/pUZ8002 harboring pLD10102	This study
DL10095	E. coli ET12567/pUZ8002 harboring pLD10103	This study
DL10096	E. coli ET12567/pUZ8002 harboring pLD10104	This study
DL10097	E. coli ET12567/pUZ8002 harboring pLD10105	This study
DL10098	E. coli ET12567/pUZ8002 harboring pLD10106	This study
DL10099	E. coli ET12567/pUZ8002 harboring pLD10107	This study
DL10100	E. coli ET12567/pUZ8002 harboring pLD10108	This study
DL10101	E. coli ET12567/pUZ8002 harboring pLD10109	This study

Table S4: Plasmids used in this study.

Plasmid	Description	Reference
pSET152	E. coli-Streptomyces integrating vector, including the	[13]
	promoter ermE, Apr <sup>r</sup>	
pETDuet-1	Plasmid for cloning, Amp <sup>r</sup>	Novagen
pRSFDuet-1	Plasmid for cloning, Kan <sup>r</sup>	Novagen
pLD10012	pRSFDuet-1 harboring ispA, idi, phoN, ipk	This study
pLD10050	pETDuet-1 harboring cavC	This study
pLD10101	pSET152 harboring gene cluster from S. clavuligerus	This study
pLD10102	pSET152 harboring <i>cavB-G</i>	This study
pLD10103	pSET152 harboring <i>cavA-G</i> , except for <i>cavE</i>	This study
pLD10104	pSET152 harboring <i>cavA-F</i>	This study
pLD10105	pSET152 harboring <i>cavA-C</i>	This study
pLD10106	pSET152 harboring <i>cavBC</i> and <i>cavE</i>	This study
pLD10107	pSET152 harboring <i>cavBC</i> and <i>cavG</i>	This study

Table S5: Primers used in this study.

Primers	Sequence 5'-3'
S.cla_clu_1F	GGTATCGATAAGCTTGATATCATGTCCGATATATCCT
	CACAGCCC
S.cla_clu_1R	ATGGTGATCGCTTGCCGATTGCTCGCTG
S.cla_clu_2F	AATCGGCAAGCGATCACCATGATGGCGTG
S.cla_clu_2R	CAGGTCGACTCTAGAGGATCCATGGTGAACGTTCC
	GGAAGG
sclav_p0068_F	GCGATCGCTGACGTCGGTACCATGTCCCTGAACCA
	CAGCGA
sclav_p0068_R	TTTACCAGACTCGAGGGTACCTCACCGGTGCTCAC
	GCCT
IspA_F	TCATCACCACAGCCAATCCATGGACTTTCCGCAGC
	AACTC
IspA_R	GATTATGCGGCCGTGTACAATTATTATTACGCTGG
	ATGATGTAGTCC
IDI_F	TAAGAAGGAGATATACATATGATGCAAACGGAACA
	CGTCATT
IDI_R	GCCGAGCTCGAATTCGGATCCTTATTTAAGCTGGGT
	AAATGCAGATAA
IUP_F	GCGATCGCTGACGTCGGTACCATGAAGCGCCAGCT
	GTTTACC
IUP_R	TTTACCAGACTCGAGTTAACGAATAACGGTGCCAAT
	AAA
KnockCavA_1F	GGTATCGATAAGCTTGATATCATGTCCGATATATCCTC
	ACAGCCC
KnockCavA_1R	AAGGCAGGGGGTCCGCACAACCGACCCCGCCGGAC
KnockCavA_2F	TTGTGCGGACCCCCTGCCTTG
KnockCavA_2R	CAGGTCGACTCTAGAGGATCCATGGTGAACGTTCCG
	GAAGG
PromoterCavBC _F	AGAAGGAGGTTAACACATATGATGGGGATACCTGCG
	GAACT
PromoterCavBC _R	GAATTTGGTACCGAGCATATGTCACACGAAGCTGAG
	CCCC
PromoterCavA_F	AGAAGGAGGTTAACAGTGGATTCTGCACGGTCCG
PromoterCavA_R	TTCCTGACTCATAACCTTAAGTCAGGTTGTGGTGGT
	GATGGT
PromoterCavABC_1F	GGTATCGATAAGCTTGATATCTGTGCGGGGCTCTAAC
	ACGTC
PromoterCavABC_1R	CCTGCTAGGACCAAAACGAAAAAAGACGC
PromoterCavABC_2F	TTCGTTTTGGTCCTAGCAGGGCTCCAAAACTAACG
PromoterCavABC_2R	CAGGTCGACTCTAGAGGATCCAAAGCAAGCAAAG
	AAAAAGGC

**Table S6:** Summary of <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz) data of compound **8** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> ( $\delta$  in ppm, *J* in Hz).



Chemical structure of **8** and <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY (-), key HMBC correlations (-), and key ROESY correlations (-).

No.	$\delta_{\rm C}$ , type	$\delta_{\mathrm{H}}$ , mult. ( <i>J</i> , Hz)
1a	35.0, CH <sub>2</sub>	1.43, m
1b		1.92, dt (13, 3.5)
2a	27.8, CH <sub>2</sub>	1.67, m
2b		1.75, m
3	79.0, C	3.26, dd (11.6, 4.7)
4	38.9, C	
5	51.0, CH	1.13, dd (12.5, 2.0)
6a	18.74, CH <sub>2</sub>	1.49, m
6b		1.68, m
7a	71.1, CH <sub>2</sub>	2.07, d (4.2)
7b		2.10, d (5.9)
8	132.9, C	
9	140.4, C	
10	38.0, C	
11a	58.4, CH <sub>2</sub>	4.04, d (11.5)
11b		4.21, d (11.5)
12	19.3, CH <sub>3</sub>	1.72, s
13	20.8, CH <sub>3</sub>	0.97, s
14	28.2, CH <sub>3</sub>	1.01, s
15	15.6, CH <sub>3</sub>	0.81, s

**Table S7:** Summary of <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz) data of compound **9** in DMSO-*d4* ( $\delta$  in ppm, *J* in Hz).



Chemical structure of 9 and <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY (-), key HMBC correlations (-), and key ROESY correlations (-).

No.	$\delta_{ m C}$ , type	$\delta_{\rm H}$ , mult. ( <i>J</i> , Hz)
1a	35.9, CH <sub>2</sub>	1.22, m
1b		1.77, d (13)
2a	18.1, CH <sub>2</sub>	1.41, dt (15.3, 2.8)
2b		1.56, dt (13.4, 3.4)
3a	41.2, CH <sub>2</sub>	1.12, m
3b		1.35, d (2.6)
4	32.5, C	
5	49.5, CH	1.07, m
6a	$29.4, CH_2$	1.31, m
6b		1.84, m
7	71.1, CH	3.79, t (5.7)
8	133.4, C	
9	142.0, C	
10	38.3, C	
11a	56.3, CH <sub>2</sub>	3.83, d (5.4)
11b		3.92, dd (11.4, 4.5)
12	14.9, CH <sub>3</sub>	1.65, d (0.9)
13	20.5, CH <sub>3</sub>	0.96, s
14	33.0, CH <sub>3</sub>	0.85, s
15	21.5, CH <sub>3</sub>	0.81, s



Figure S1: <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $3\beta$ -hydroxy-drimenol (2) in CD<sub>3</sub>OD (400 MHz).

Figure S2: <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of  $3\beta$ -hydroxy-drimenol (2) in CD<sub>3</sub>OD (100 MHz).





Figure S4: <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $2\alpha$ -hydroxy-drimenol (3) in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (400 MHz).



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## Figure S7: <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of 3-keto-drimenol (4) in CD<sub>3</sub>OD (100 MHz).



Figure S8: Sequence alignment of SsDMS and CavC.

**Figure S9**: *In vivo* characterization of drimenyl diphosphate synthase of CavC. The HPLC profile showed that *E. coli* DL10092 strain, harboring the *cavC* gene and the truncated artificial FPP-overproduction system, efficiently produced a substantial quantity of drimenol in comparison to the wild-type control of *E. coli* BL21 (DE3).



**Figure S10:** HPLC analysis of metabolites of engineered *S. lividans* TK64 DL10081 in PTMM, XTM, and ISM3 media. *S. lividans* TK64 with empty pSET152 was used as a control.





Figure S12: <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of  $3\beta$ -hydroxy-albicanol (7) in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (100 MHz).





Figure S13: <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $3\beta$ -hydroxy-drim-8-ene-11-ol (8) in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (400 MHz).

Figure S14: <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of  $3\beta$ -hydroxy-drim-8-ene-11-ol (8) in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (100 MHz).





Figure S15: HMBC spectrum of  $3\beta$ -hydroxy-drim-8-ene-11-ol (8) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.





Figure S17: <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY spectrum of  $3\beta$ -hydroxy-drim-8-ene-11-ol (8) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.

Figure S18: ROESR spectrum of  $3\beta$ -hydroxy-drim-8-ene-11-ol (8) in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



Figure S19. HRESIMS (negative mode) spectrum of  $7\beta$ -hydroxy-drim-8-ene-11-ol (9).





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Figure S20:<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $7\beta$ -hydroxy-drim-8-ene-11-ol (9) in DMSO- $d_6$  (400 MHz).

Figure S21:<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of  $7\beta$ -hydroxy-drim-8-ene-11-ol (9) in DMSO- $d_6$  (100 MHz).





Figure S22: DEPT 135° spectrum of  $7\beta$ -hydroxy-drim-8-ene-11-ol (9) in DMSO- $d_6$ .

Figure S23: HMBC spectrum of  $7\beta$ -hydroxy-drim-8-ene-11-ol (9) in DMSO- $d_6$ .





Figure S24: HSQC spectrum of  $7\beta$ -hydroxy-drim-8-ene-11-ol (9) in DMSO- $d_6$ .

Figure S25: <sup>1</sup>H-<sup>1</sup>H COSY spectrum of  $7\beta$ -hydroxy-drim-8-ene-11-ol (9) in DMSO- $d_6$ .





Figure S26: ROESY spectrum of  $7\beta$ -hydroxy-drim-8-ene-11-ol (9) in DMSO- $d_6$ .

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