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Our previous report (ref 7, main text) was published prior to *Tetrahedron Letters*' providing supplementary data online. The experimental procedures and data for compounds **S1**, **S2** and **3** are therefore provided below.

Hydroxyketone S1. To a solution of diisopropylamine (8.77 g, 86.7 mmol) in THF (100 mL) was added dropwise n-BuLi (30.2 mL, 2.87 M in hexane, 86.7 mmol) at -78 °C. After 15 min, (*S*)-dihydrocarvone (9.63 g, 62.0 mmol) was added dropwise. The mixture was allowed to stir for 15 min, after which methacrolein (8.1 g, 115.6 mmol) was added dropwise. After 4 h at -78 °C, AcOH (5.21 g, 86.7 mmol) was added. After 20 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to rt, then was diluted with ether (200 mL) and washed with water (150 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with ether (3 x 100 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with brine (150 mL) and dried over anhydrous MgSO₄. The organic solvent was removed in vacuo. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography over silica gel (1/10 v/v, EtOAc/hexanes) afforded hydroxyketone **S1** as a colorless oil (13.1 g, 95%).

IR (film) 3454, 1662 cm $^{-1}$. 1 H-NMR (270 MHz, CDCl $_{3}$ + D $_{2}$ O) δ 6.61 (m, 1H), 4.98 (m, 1H), 4.93 (m, 1H), 4.22 (d, J=9.5 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (dd, J=2.7, 9.4 Hz + m, 3H), 2.26-2.52 (app dhept, J=20.4, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.16-2.23 (app dd, J=19.9, 5.54 Hz, 1H), 1.76 (s, 3H), 1.75 (s, 3H), 1.55-1.65 (m, 2H), 0.85 (m, 6H). 13 C-NMR (67 MHz, CDCl $_{3}$) δ 202.03, 145.14, 143.76, 134.85, 114.45, 75.83, 52.91, 42.24, 29.38, 25.42, 20.80, 15.98, 15.87. Anal Calcd for $C_{14}H_{22}O_{2}$: C, 75.63; H, 9.97. Found: C, 75.42; H, 10.03.

Glycolate S2. To a solution of alcohol **S1** (9.3 g, 41.0 mmol) in anhydrous DMF (26 mL) was added Ag₂O (38.5 g, 166.0 mmol), ethyl bromoacetate (27.9 g, 166.0 mmol) and 2,6-lutidine (17.8 g, 166.0 mmol). The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at 4 °C for 7 days, then was filtered through a short silica gel column with ether (200 mL). The filtrate was washed with cold 3N HC1 (200 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with ether (3 x 100 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (200 mL), brine (200 mL) and then dried over anhydrous MgSO₄. After removal of solvent in vacuo, the dark brown oil was purified twice via flash chromatography over silica gel (1/7 v/v, EtOAc/hexanes) to afford glycolate **S2** as a pale yellow oil (8.2 g, 65%).

IR (film) 1754, 1683 cm $^{-1}$. 1 H-NMR (270 MHz, CDCl $_{3}$) δ 6.4 (m, 1H), 5.1 (s, 1H), 5.0 (s, 1H), 4.17 (d, J=l0.19 Hz, 1H), 4.1 (m, 2H), 3.9 (d, J=16.63 Hz, 1H), 3.8 (d, J=16.63 Hz, 1H), 2.7 (dd, J=10.19, 1.78 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (app dsept, J=20.0, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 2.2 (dd, J=5.2, 19.90 Hz, lH), 1.81 (s, 3H), 1.63 (s, 3H), 1.4-1.6 (m, 2H), 1.20 (t, J=7.13 Hz, 3H), 0.86 (m, 6H). 13 C-NMR (67 MHz, CDCl $_{3}$) δ 200.06, 170.15, 141.66, 140.38, 135.07, 117.84, 84.11, 64.33, 60.42, 51.68, 42.67, 29.06, 25.43, 21.37, 20.52, 16.05, 15.73, 14.15. HRMS calcd for $C_{18}H_{29}O_{4}$ (MH $^{+}$), 308.1988, found 309.2082.

Isobenzofuran 3. KHMDS (58.2 mL, 0.5 M in toluene, 29.1 mmol) was added over 5 min to a solution of glycolate **S2** (7.8 g, 25.5 mmol) in THF (100 mL) at -78 °C. After addition of KHMDS, AcOH (1.84 g, 30.7 mmol) was added at -78 °C immediately in one portion. After 10 min at -78 °C, the reaction mixture was warmed to rt, diluted with ether (150 mL) and washed with water (100 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with ether (3 x 80 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with brine (150 mL) and dried over anhydrous MgSO₄. The solvent was removed in vacuo. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography over silica gel (1/10 v/v, EtOAc/hexanes) afforded isobenzofuran **3** as a colorless oil (6.2 g, 85%).

IR (film) 3511, 1737 cm $^{-1}$. 1 H-NMR (270 MHz, CDC1 $_{3}$) δ 5.56 (m, 1H), 5.19 (s, 1H), 4.94 (s, 1H), 4.15-4.28 (m, 4H), 3.18 (s, 1H), 2.26 (t, J=7.92 Hz, 1H), 1.9 (m, 2H), 1.75-1.9 (m, 4H), 1.7 (s, 3H), 1.3 (m, 1H), 1.21 (t, J=7.1 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (d, J=6.73 Hz, 3H), 0.76 (d, J=6.73 Hz, 3H). 13 C-NMR (67 MHz, CDCl $_{3}$) δ 170.77, 144.63, 133.11, 113.83, 86.17, 83.46, 81.88, 61.42, 51.42, 40.52, 27.22, 23.42, 21.49, 17.97, 17.61, 14.11.

Epoxyketone 7. At -78 °C, dry pyridine (21.0 mL, 260 mmol) was added to a suspension of dry silica gel (13.0 g) and CrO_3 (13.0 g, 130 mmol) in anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 (200 mL). After 15 min, a solution of alcohol **3** (4.78 g, 15.5 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL) was added at -78 °C. The resultant mixture was allowed to warm to rt. After 4 h, the mixture was filtered through a short silica gel column with ether (200 mL). The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo and the residue purified via flash chromatography over silica gel (1/7 v/v, EtOAc/hexanes) to afford epoxyketone **7** as a white solid, mp 94-96 °C, (4.5 g, 90%).

IR (film) 1749, 1720 cm⁻¹. 1 H-NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.08 (s, 1H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 4.36 (s, 1H), 4.1-4.3 (m, 3H), 2.64 (d, J=9.5 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (m, 1H), 2.52 (d, J=11.5 Hz, 1H), 2.00 (dd, J=2.5, 13.0 Hz, 1H), 1.92 (s, 3H), 1.67-1.82 (m, 2H), 1.44 (s, 3H), 1.26 (t, J=7.12 Hz, 3H), 0.79 (d, J=6.73 Hz, 3H), 0.75 (d, J=6.73 Hz, 3H). 13 C-NMR (67 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 207.46, 168.61, 143.34, 117.43, 89.34, 78.81, 74.50, 63.34, 61.56, 45.41, 41.37, 32.52, 28.05, 20.84, 16.07, 15.47, 14.23, 11.45. Anal Calcd for $C_{18}H_{26}O_{5}$ C, 67.06; H, 8.13. Found: C, 66.99; H, 8.07.

Alcohol 9. KHMDS (119.5 mL, 0.5 M in toluene, 59.8 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of epoxyketone **7** (6.43 g, 19.93 mmol) in ether (250 mL) at -78 °C, followed after 15 min by TMSC1 (9.59 mL, 79.72 mmol). The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to rt. After 3 h, it was poured into cold saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (300 mL) and extracted with cold hexanes (3 x 150 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (100 mL), dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuo to afford enol ether **8** as a pale yellow oil (11.0 g, 100%), which was used without further purification.

To a solution of enol ether **8** (11.0 g, 19.93 mmol) and acetone (14.8 mL, 199.3 mmol) in CH₃CN (290 mL) was added an aqueous Na₂EDTA solution (199.3 mL, 4×10^{-4} M) at rt. A mixture of Oxone (16.7 g, 26.63 mmol) and NaHCO₃ (6.0 g, 69.2 mmol) was added to the above mixture in portions over 10 h. The aqueous layer was separated and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 200 mL). The combined extracts were washed with brine (300 mL), dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuo to yield a pale yellow oil, 11.8 g.

The oil was dissolved in anhydrous THF (100 mL) and TBAF (43 mL, 1 M in THF, 43 mmol) was added slowly into the solution at 0 °C. After 30 min, water (100 mL) was added into the reaction mixture.

The aqueous layer was separated and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 60 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine (100 mL), dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. Purification of the residue via flash chromatography over silica gel (1/6 to 1/3 v/v, EtOAc/hexanes) afforded alcohol **9** as a pale yellow oil (5.6 g, 83%).

IR (film) 3480, 1730, 1676 cm⁻¹. 1 H-NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.02 (s, 1H), 4.97 (s, 1H), 4.75 (d, J=6.93 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (dd, J=4.75, 10.98 Hz, 1H), 4.2 (m, 2H), 3.3 (m, 2H), 3.16 (s, 1H), 1.95 (m, 1H), 1.79 (s, 3H), 1.68 (t, J=10.98 Hz, 1H), 1.58 (s, 3H), 1.30 (t, J=7.12 Hz, 3H), 1.07 (d, J=6.93 Hz, 3H), 0.97 (d, J=6.93 Hz, 3H). 13 C-NMR (67 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 208.93, 161.59, 143.29, 142.88, 120.59, 114.75, 88.89, 73.37, 72.42, 62.29, 56.27, 46.13, 27.54, 22.58, 21.67, 16.66, 16.37, 14.04. HRMS: Calcd for $C_{18}H_{26}O_{6}Na$, 361.1627; found 361.1628.

Triol 10. Anhydrous AcOH (58 mL) was added slowly into a suspension of NMe₄BH(OAc)₃ (22.6 g, 85.5 mmol) in anhydrous CH₃CN (58 mL). After 40 min, the mixture was cooled to -43 °C and a solution of ketone **9** (3.69 g, 10.88 mmol) in CH₃CN (58 mL) was added slowly. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to -20 °C. After 24 h, the mixture was warmed to 0 °C and water (100 mL) was added. A mixture of CH₂Cl₂ (100 mL) and water (100 mL) was added and the mixture neutralized to pH 7 by addition of NaHCO₃ at 0 °C. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 100 mL). The combined extracts were washed with brine (150 mL), dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. Purification of the residue through a short pad of silica gel (1/1, v/v, EtOAc/hexanes) afforded triol **10** as a white foam (3.52 g, 95%).

IR (film) 3435, 1732 cm $^{-1}$. 1 H-NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.14 (s, 1H), 5.05 (s, 1H), 4.96 (s, 1H), 4.56 (d, J=11.48 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (m, 2H), 4.05 (s, 1H), 3.95 (t, J=5.34 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (s, 1H), 3.08 (t, J=12.47 Hz, 1H), 3.00 (s, 1H), 1.62-1.89 (m, 5H), 1.49 (s, 3H), 1.29 (t, J=7.12 Hz, 3H), 0.97 (d, J=6.93 Hz, 3H), 0.63 (d, J=6.73 Hz, 3H). 13 C-NMR (67 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.49, 142.10, 140.68, 134.81, 117.14, 91.63, 74.03, 70.50, 67.29, 62.21, 50.74, 43.75, 26.51, 23.34, 21.39, 16.62, 15.95, 14.17.

Diacetate 11. Triethylamine (5.8 mL, 40.6 mmol) was added to a solution of triol **10** (2.71 g, 7.97 mmol) and DMAP (101 mg, 0.797 mmol) in anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 (60 mL), followed by dropwise addition of Ac_2O (2.27 mL, 23.9 mmol) at -10 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at -10 °C for 16 h. Water (100 mL) was added and the aqueous layer extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 50 mL). The combined extracts were washed with brine (100 mL) and dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified via flash chromatography over silica gel (1/2, v/v, EtOAc/hexanes) to afford diacetate **11** as a white foam (2.71 g, 80%).

IR (film) 3460, 2965,1742 cm⁻¹. 1 H-NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.31 (dd, J=4.35, 7.62 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (m, 2H), 4.97 (s, 1H), 4.65 (d, J=9.90 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (m, 2H), 3.18 (dd, J=9.90, 12.27 Hz, 1H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 1.96 (s, 3H), 1.76-1.91 (m, 2H), 1.74 (s, 3H), 1.48 (s, 3H), 1.29 (t, J=7.13 Hz, 3H), 0.84 (d, J=7.13 Hz, 3H), 0.74 (d, J=6.73 Hz, 3H). 13 C-NMR (67 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.20, 169.89, 162.05, 142.57, 141.10, 116.06, 90.50, 74.19, 69.23, 68.18, 62.08, 48.43, 45.17, 26.61, 23.87, 21.33, 21.09, 20.85, 16.51, 15.76, 14.11

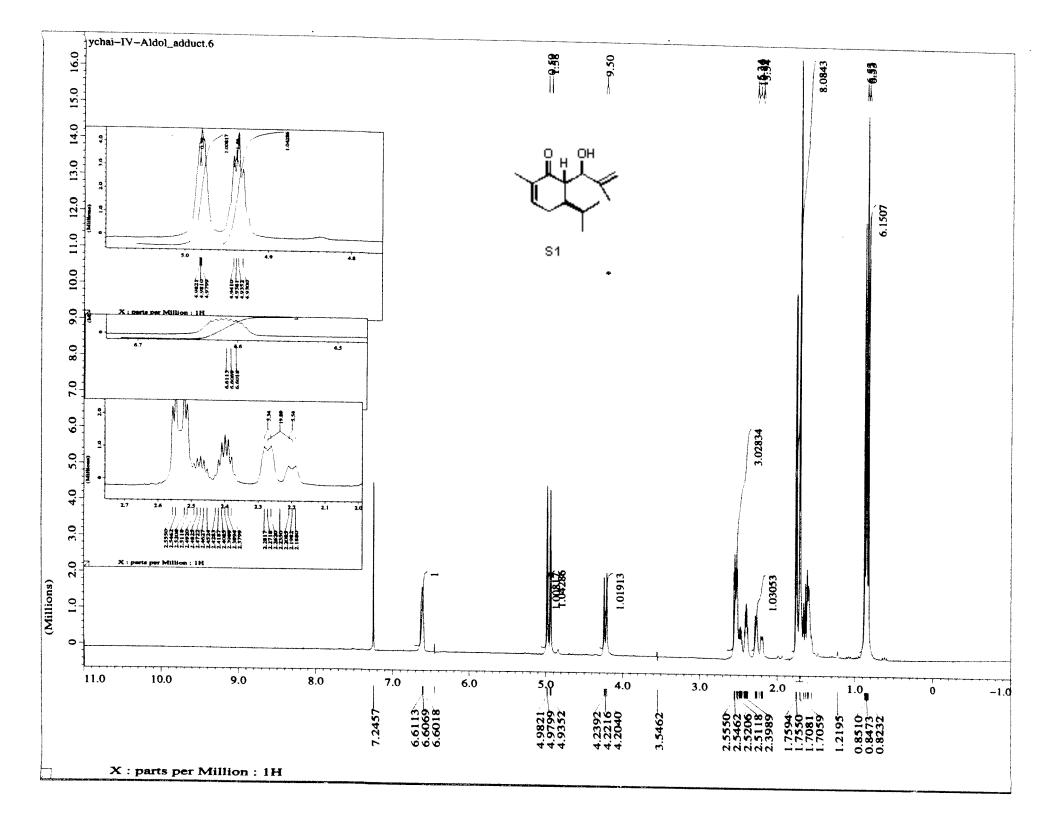
Ketone 12. A solution of OsO₄ (0.72 mL, 4 % by wt solution in water) was added dropwise to a mixture of methanesulfonamide (0.34 g, 3.53 mmol), K₂CO₃ (1.5 g, 10.51 mmol), K₃Fe(CN)₆ (3.45 g, 10.5 mmol), (DHQD)₂PHAL (136 mg, 0.176 mmol) and diacetate **11** (1.5 g, 3.53 mmol) in t-BuOH (35 mL) and water (35 mL) at 4 °C. After 3 h at 4 °C, cold saturated Na₂S₂O₃ was added. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CHCl₃ (3 x 40 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified via flash chromatography over silica gel (3/1, v/v, EtOAc/hexanes) to afford the intermediate triol as a white foam (1.5 g, 95%).

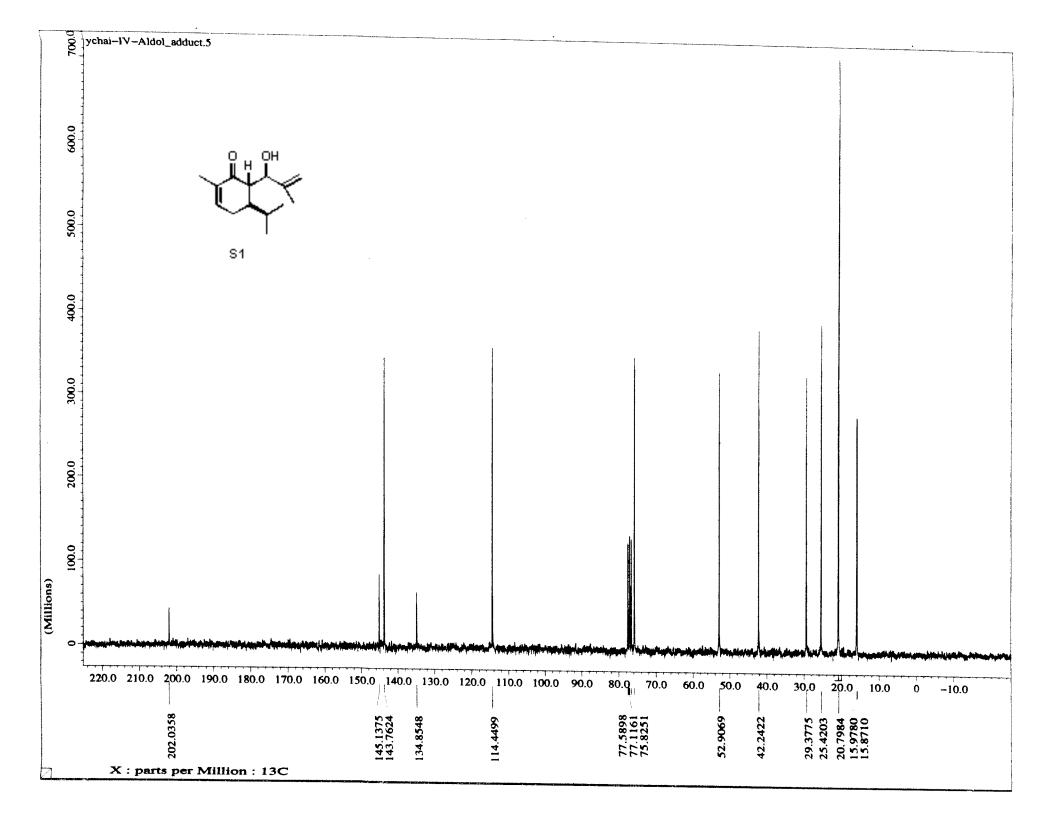
To a solution of the triol (3.9 g, 8.49 mmol) in THF (80 mL) was added NaIO₄ (3.63 g, 16.98 mmol), followed by water (80 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 5 h and then filtered. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 50 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine (80 mL), dried over anhydrous MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified via flash chromatography through a short silica gel column (1/1, v/v EtOAc/hexanes) to afford ketone 12 as a white foam (3.26 g, 90%).

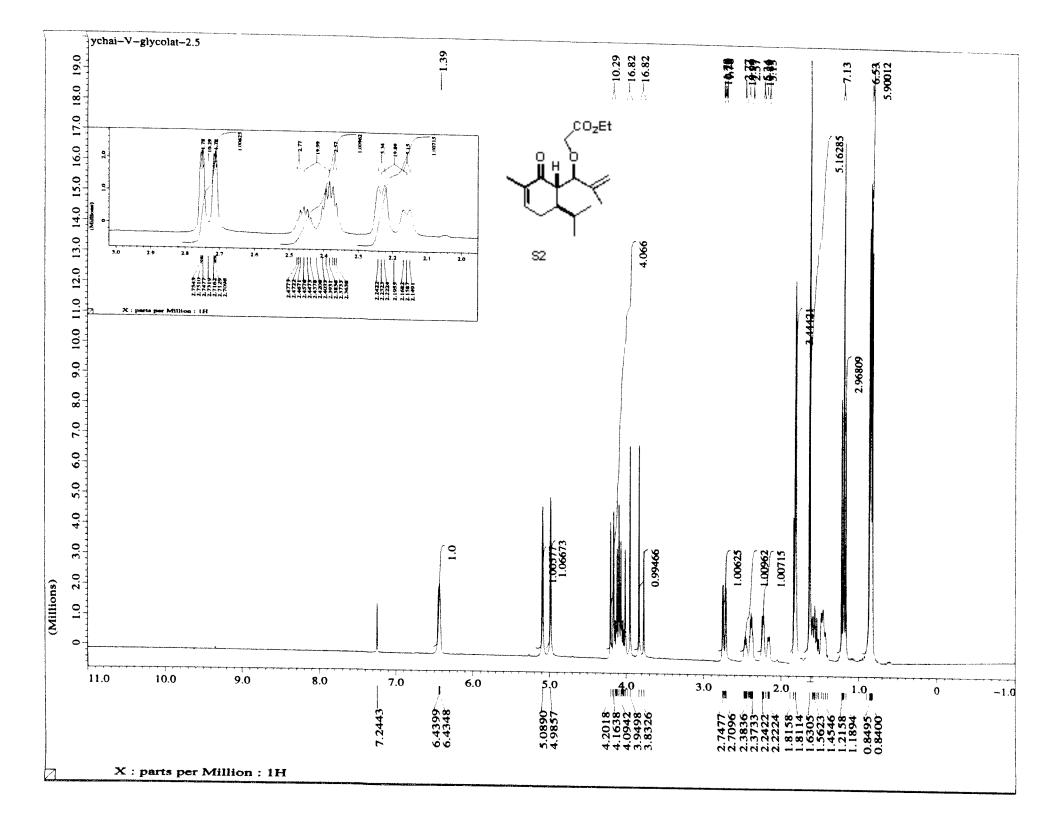
IR (film) 3474, 1742 cm $^{-1}$. 1 H-NMR (270 MHz, CDC1 $_{3}$) δ 5.36 (dd, J=3.56, 9.7 Hz, rew1H), 5.27 (s, 1H), 5.06 (d, J=3.56 Hz, 1H), 4.3 (m, 2H), 3.36 (dd, J=7.52, 12.07 Hz, 1H), 2.27 (s, 3H), 2.04 (s, 3H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 1.72-1.83 (m, 2H), 1.40 (s, 3H), 1.28 (t, J=7.12 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (d, J=6.93 Hz, 3H), 0.82 (d, J=6.73 Hz, 1H). 13 C-NMR (67 MHz, CDCl $_{3}$) δ 207.53, 170.17, 170.02, 161.34, 140.67, 75.09, 69.65, 62.07, 47.03, 46.69, 27.20, 25.93, 24.00, 21.90, 21.07, 20.85, 16.07, 14.06.

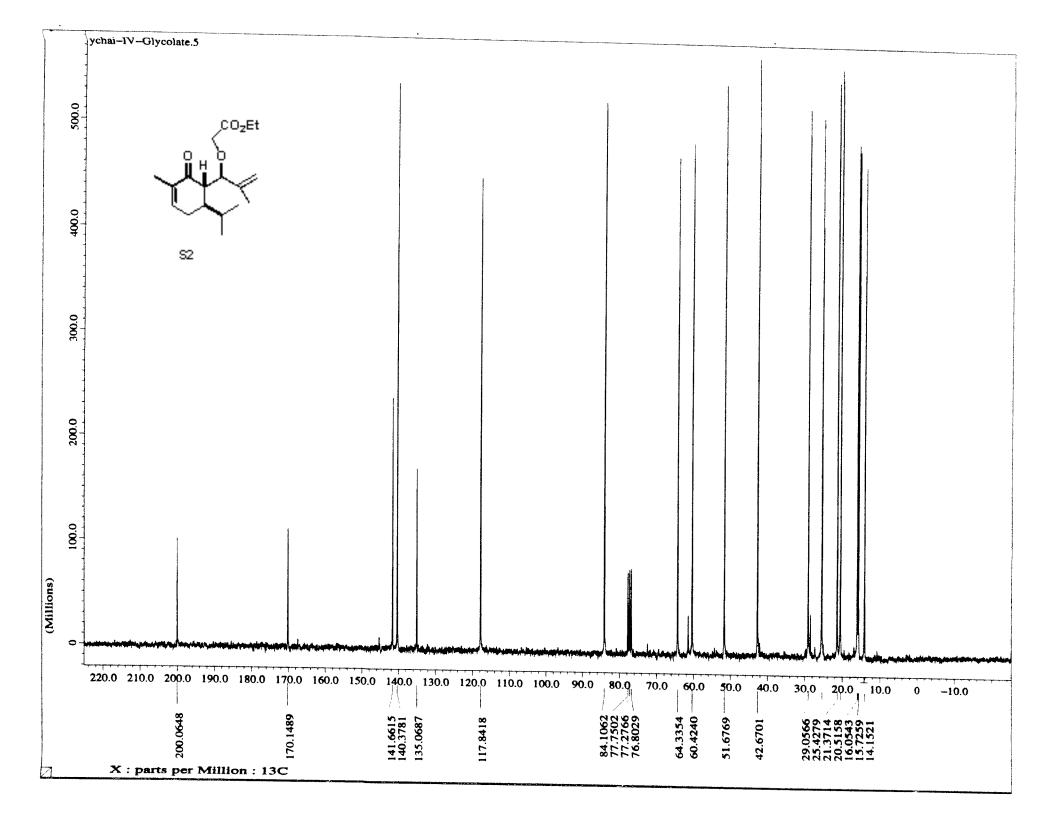
Hydroisobenzofuran 13. Crabtree's catalyst (1.24 g, 1.52 mmol) was added to a solution of ketone **12** (3.3 g, 7.62 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (160 mL). The reaction mixture was shaken under 80 psi of H_2 for 20 h. The mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue purified via flash chromatography over silica gel (1/3, v/v, EtOAc/hexanes) to afford isobenzofuran **13** as a white foam (3.3 g, 100%).

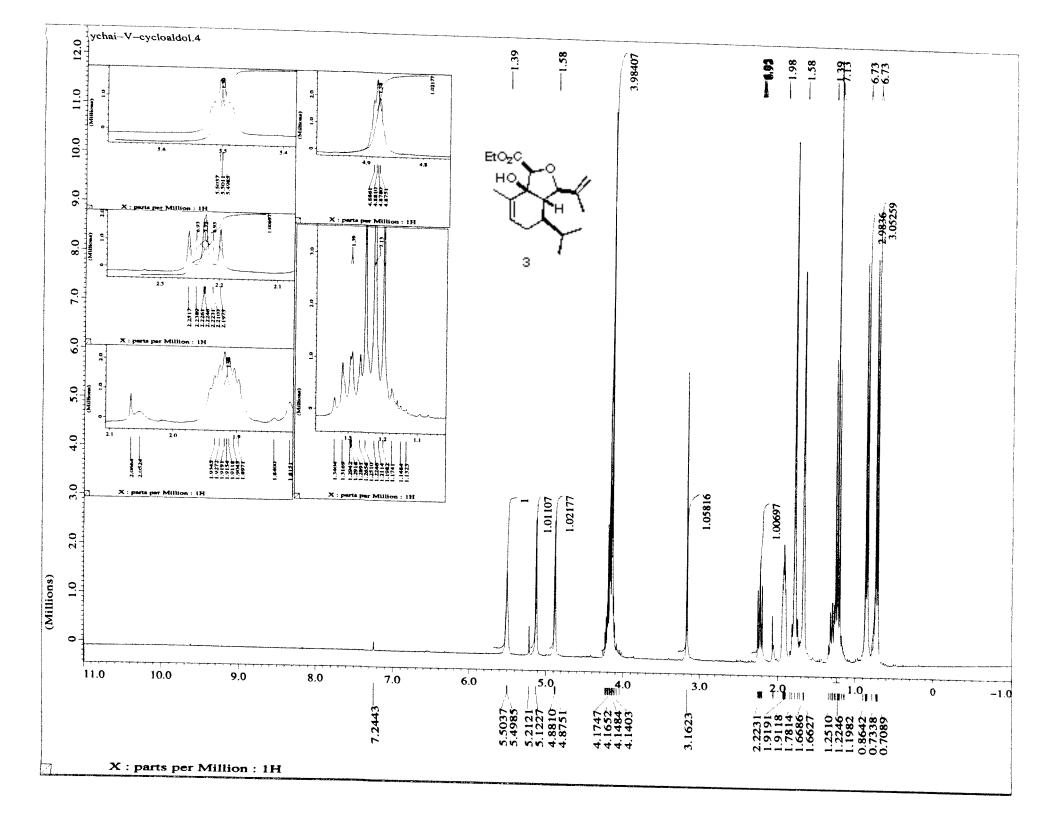
IR (film) 3474, 1740 cm⁻¹. ¹H-NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.37 (dd, J=3.17, 6.14 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (d, J=3.17 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (d, J=6.43 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d, J=8.11 Hz, 1H), 4.3 (m, 2H), 2.77 (t, J=6.93 Hz, 1H), 2.52 (s, 1H), 2.45 (app q, J=7.52 Hz, 1H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 2.0 (m, 1H), 1.8 (m, 1H), 1.46 (s, 3H), 1.34 (t, J=7.32 Hz, 3H), 0.99 (d, J=6.93 Hz, 3H), 0.96 (t, J=6.93 Hz, 3H). ¹³C-NMR (67 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 209.33, 171.36, 170.49, 169.85, 87.29, 80.26, 74.28, 71.66, 71.02, 61.62, 51.97, 43.33, 41.98, 29.90, 25.89, 22.70, 22.50, 21.25, 21.00, 18.39, 14.22.

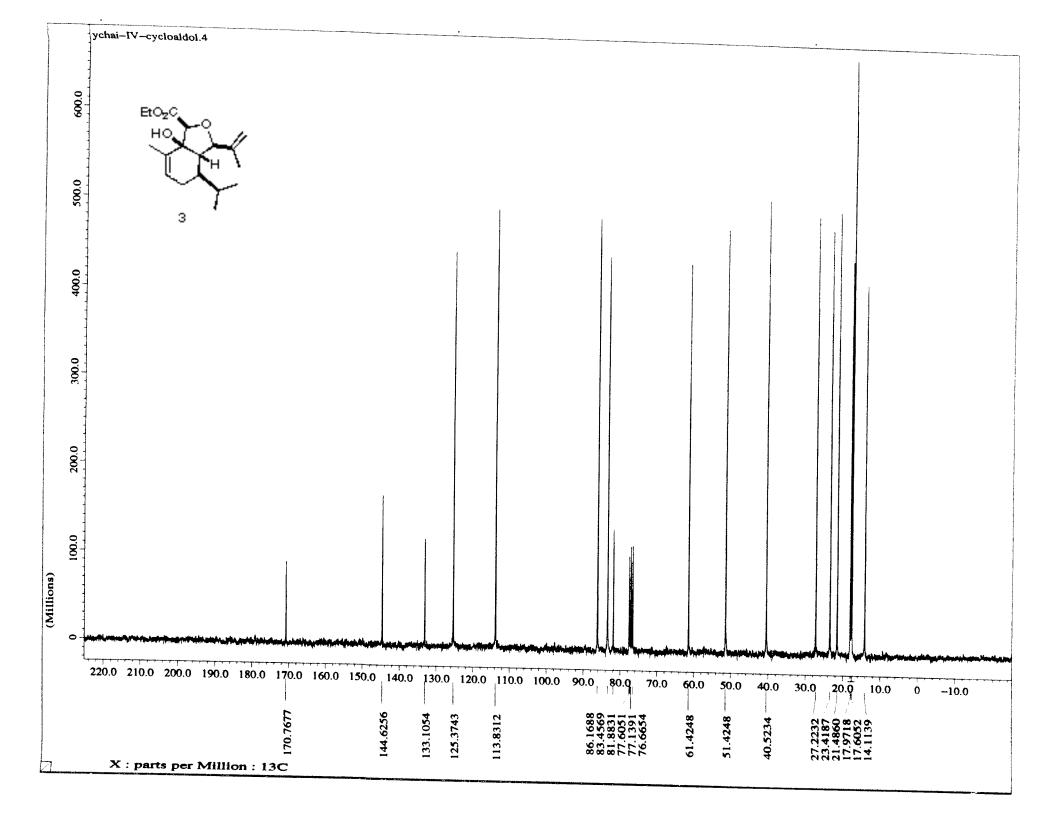


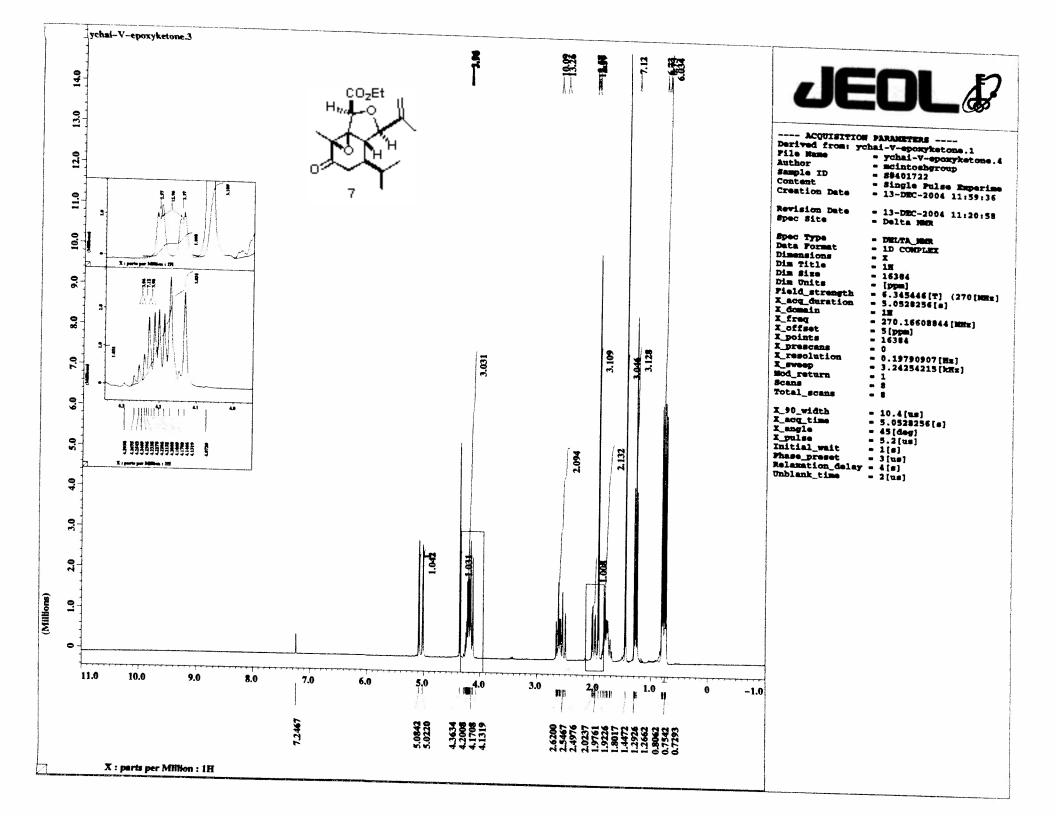


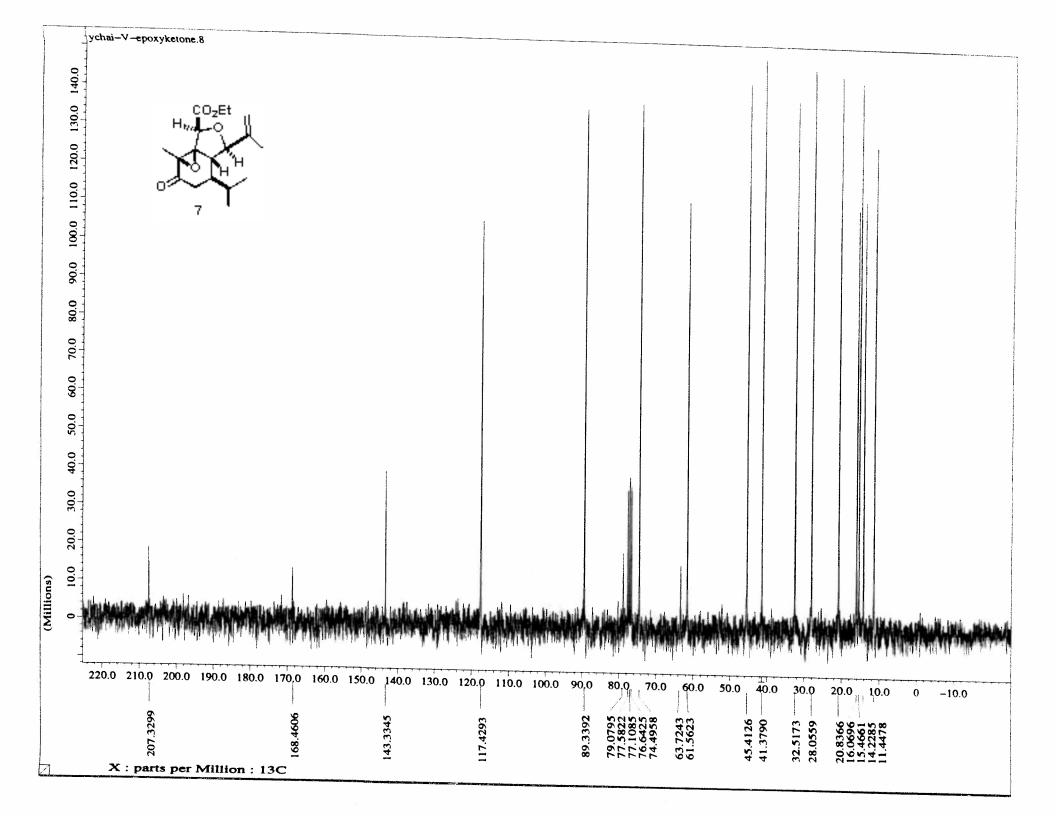


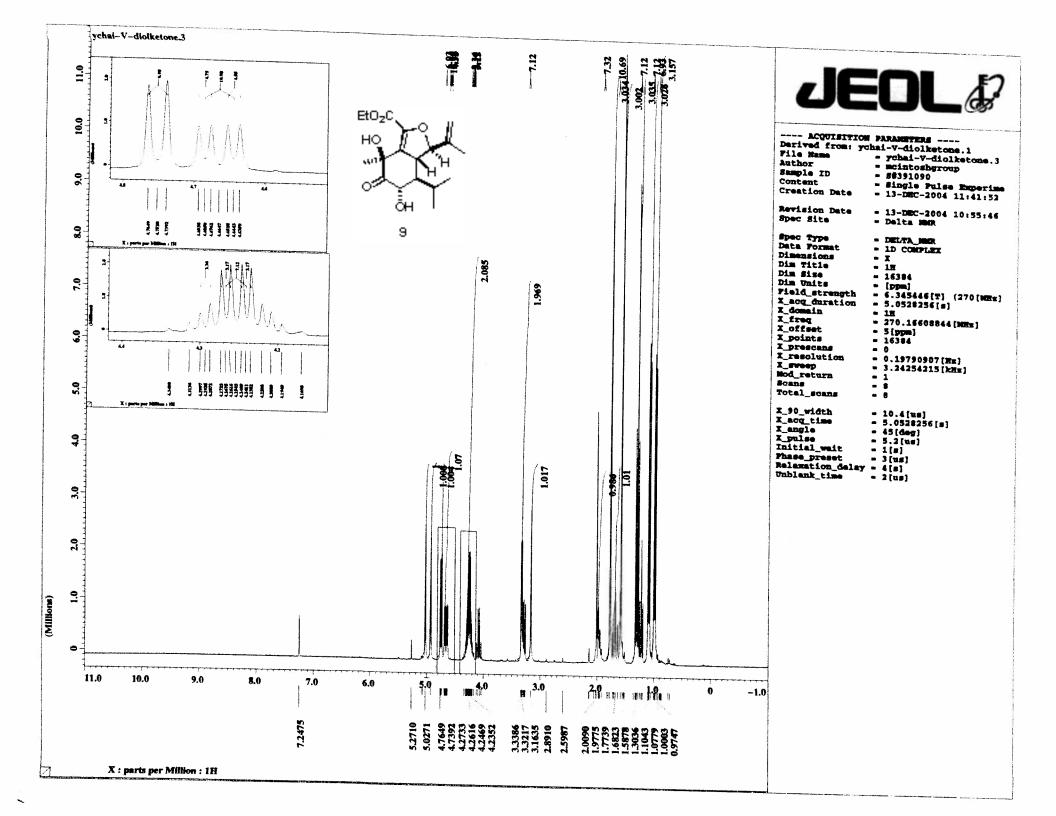


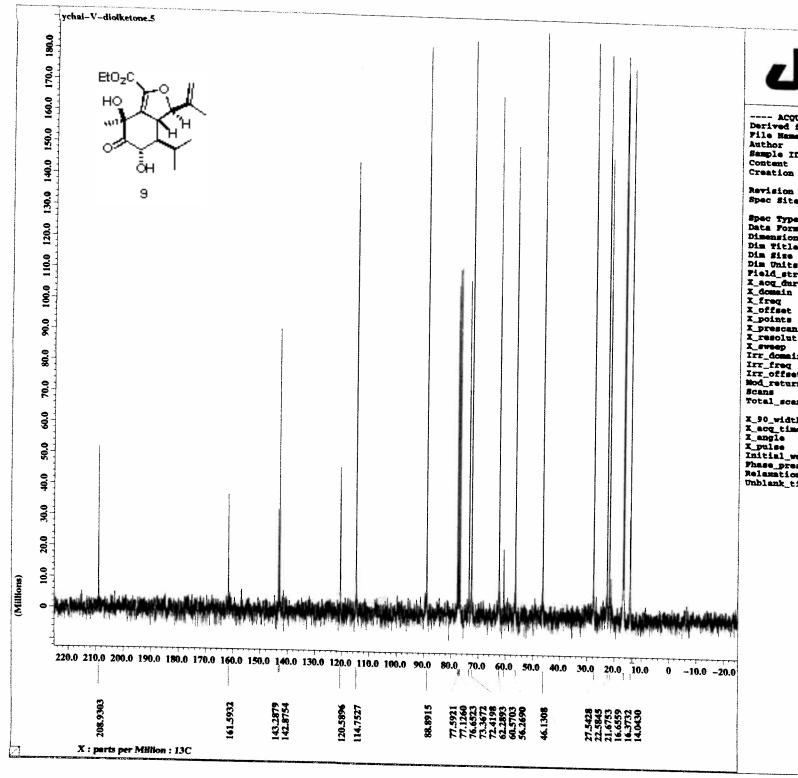






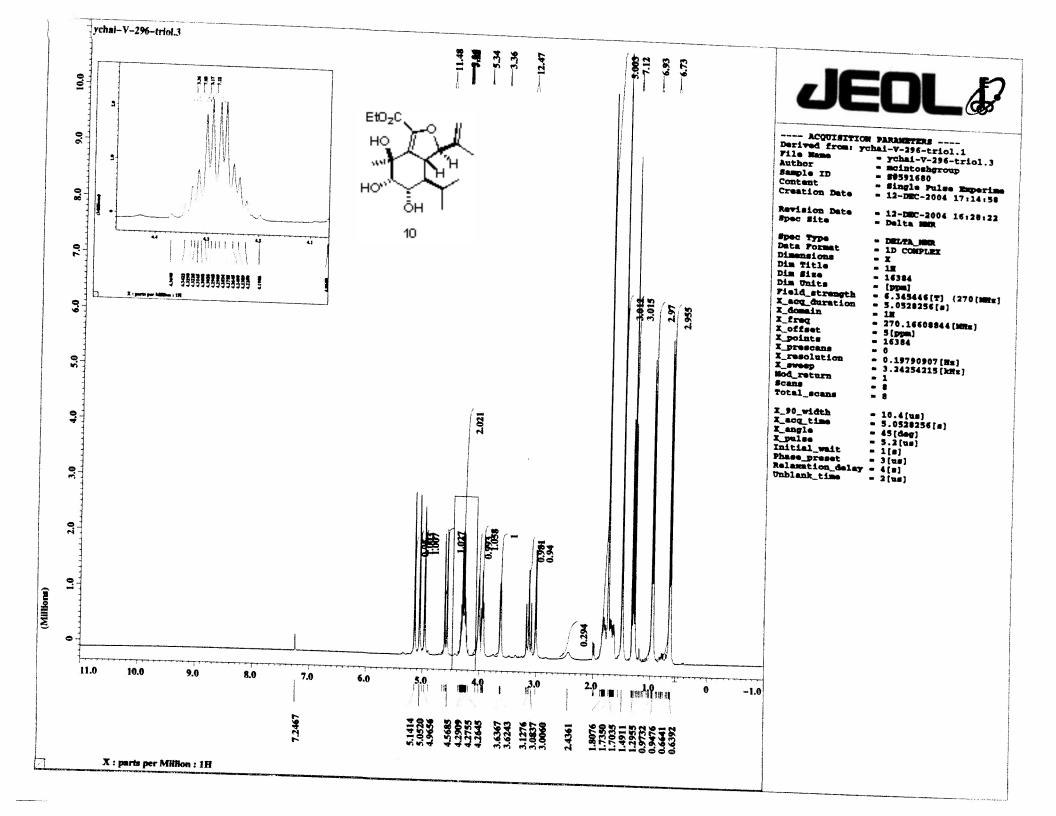


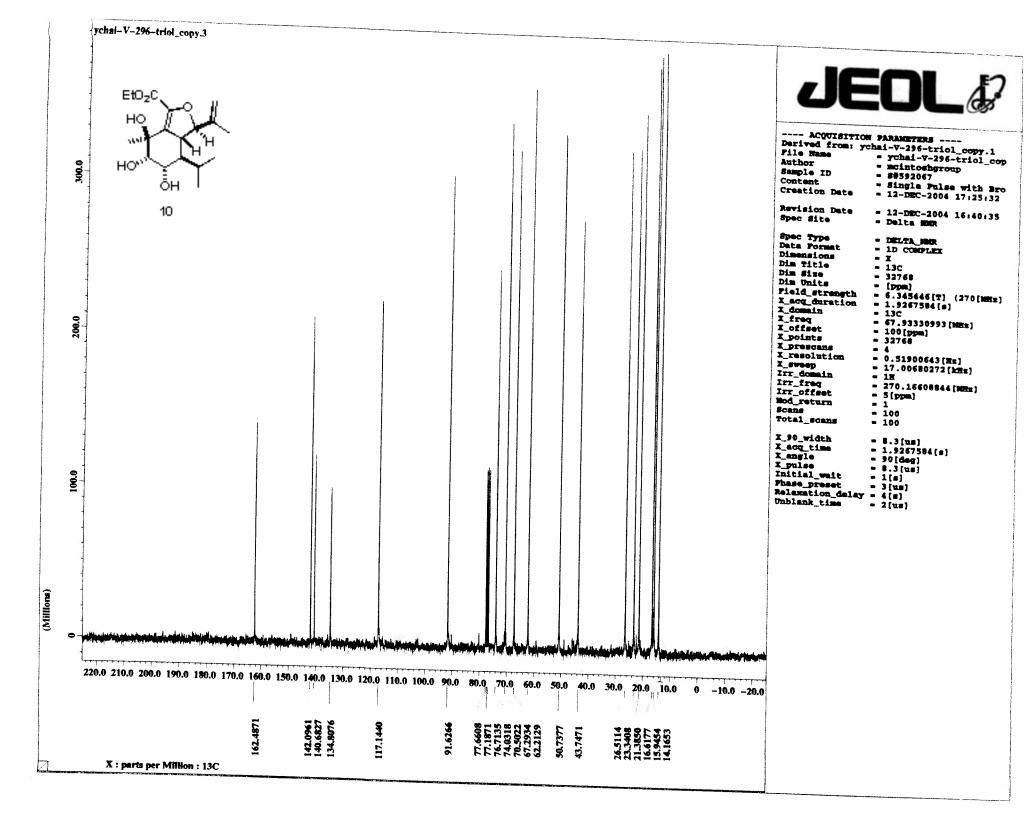


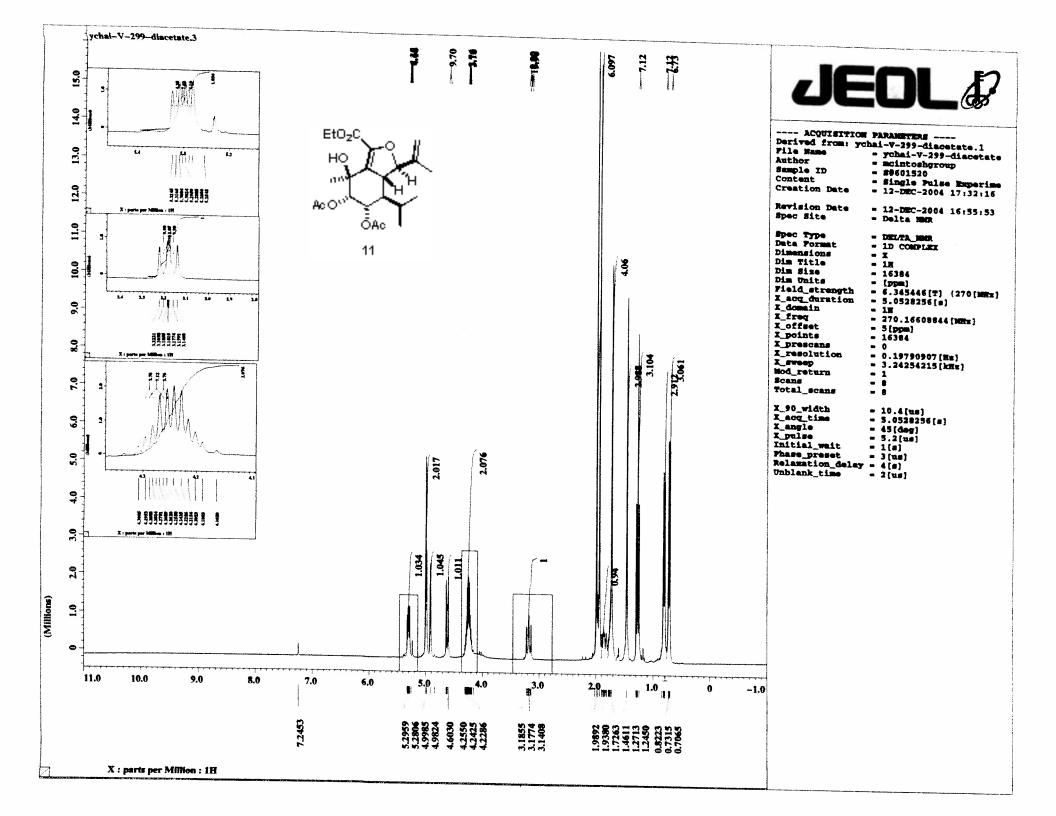


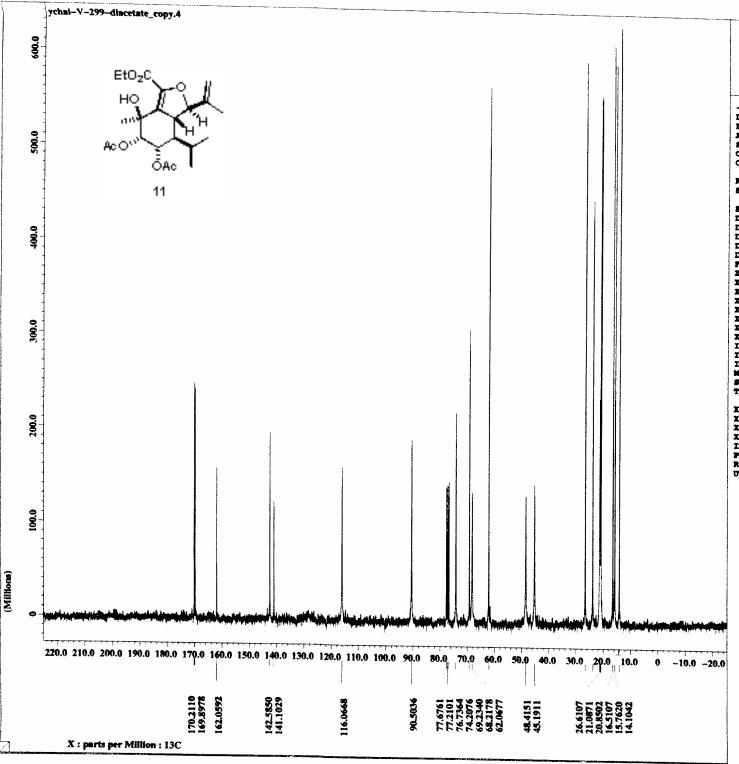
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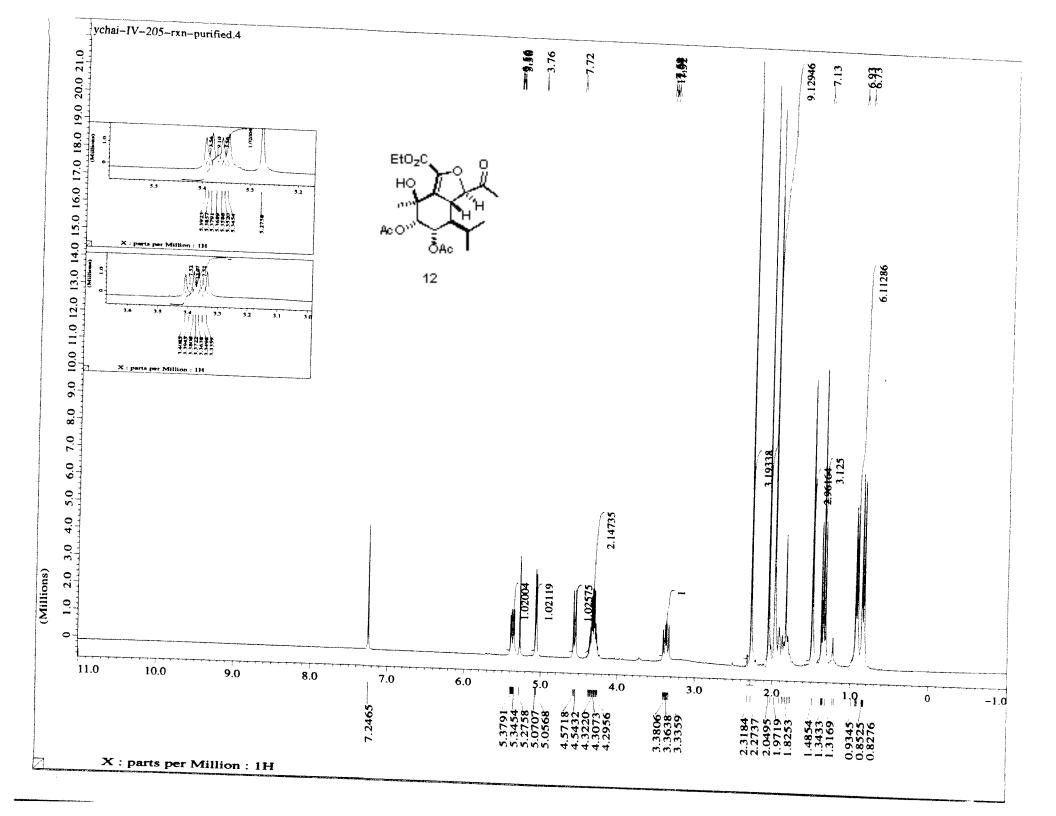


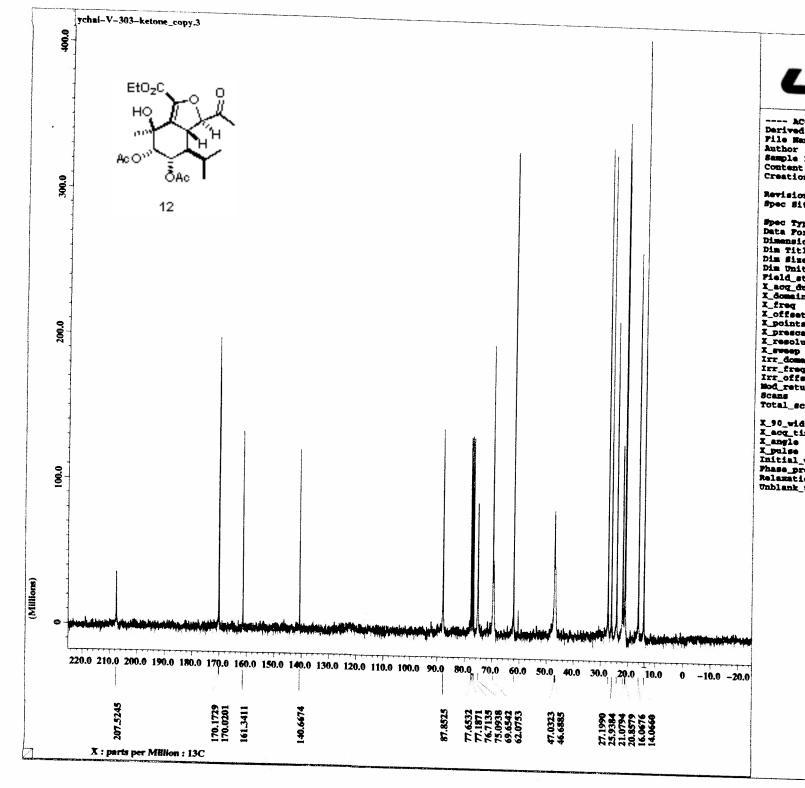






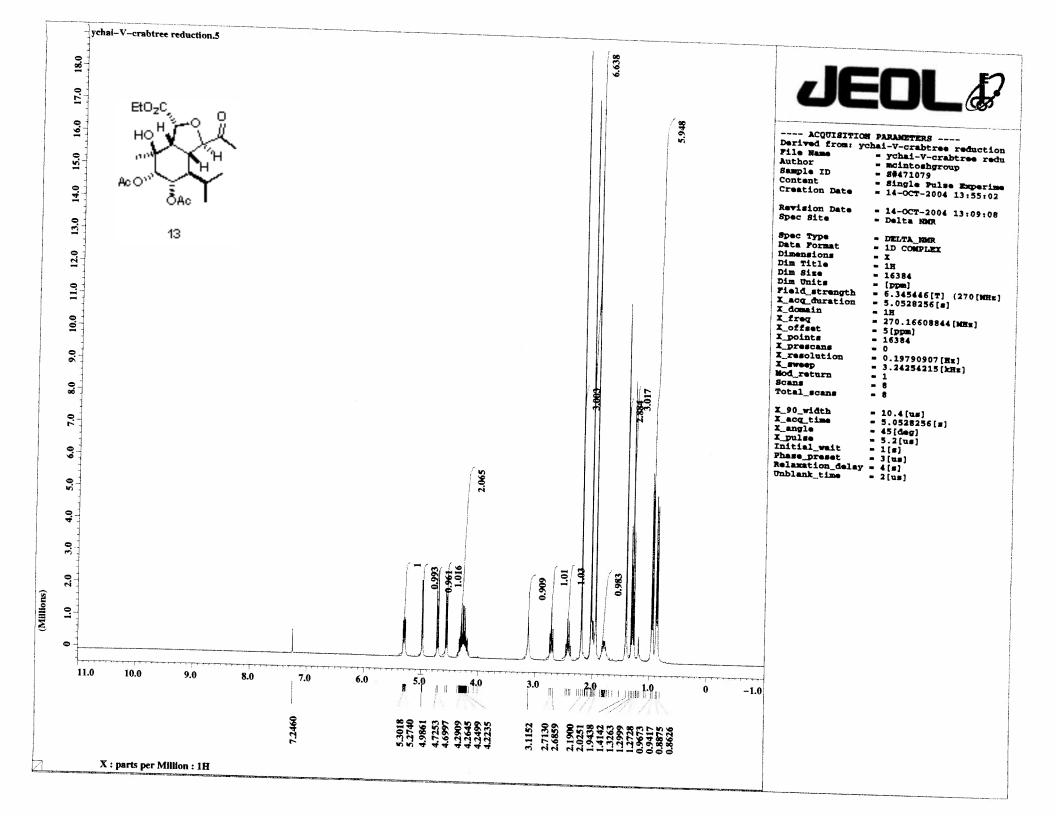
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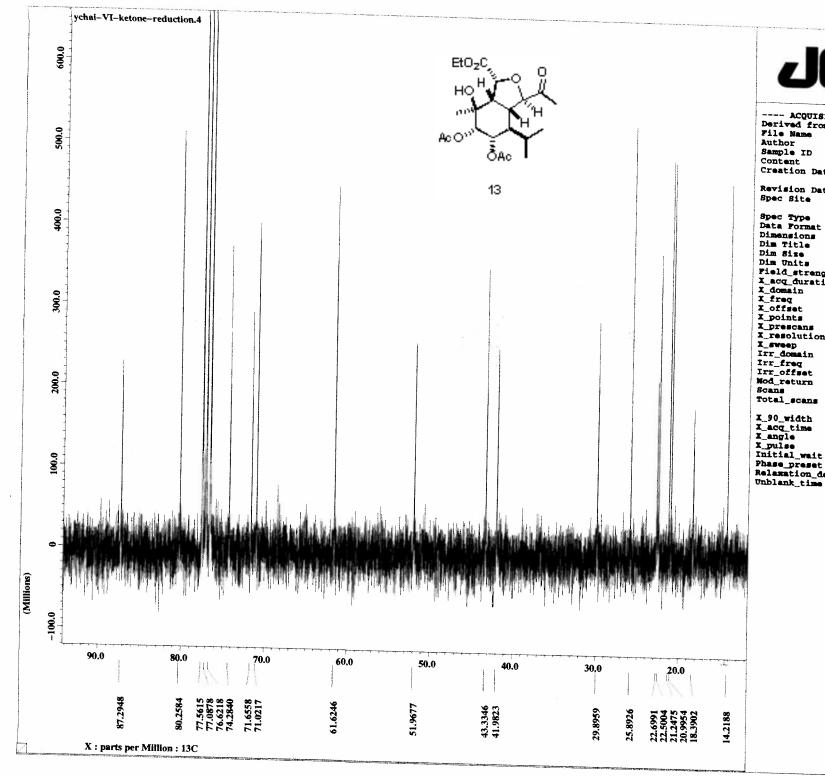




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