# Enantioselective Synthesis of Tatanans A-C and Reinvestigation of Their Glucokinase-Activating Properties

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### **Bioassays**

### Materials and Methods

### Enzyme production

Recombinant human pancreatic glucokinase was produced as an N-terminal hexa-histidine tagged polypeptide in *Escherichia coli* BL21(DE3). Cultures were inoculated to an initial OD<sub>600</sub> of 0.01 and were grown at 37 °C in Luria-Bertani broth supplemented with ampicillin (150  $\mu$ g/mL). When the OD<sub>600</sub> reached 0.8, IPTG (1 mM) was added and the temperature was reduced to 20 °C, where growth was continued for 20 h. Cells were harvested by centrifugation and 5 g of wet cell pellet was resuspended in 17 mL of buffer A containing HEPES (50 mM, pH 7.6), KCl (50 mM), imidazole (25 mM), dithiothreitol (10 mM), and glycerol (25%, w/v). Cells were lysed using a microfluidizer and subjected to centrifugation at 25,000x g at 4 °C. The supernatant was immediately loaded onto a 5 mL HisTrap Fast Flow Affinity Column (GE Healthcare) previously equilibrated in buffer A. Following loading, the column was washed with 10 column volumes of buffer A followed by 5 columns of buffer A containing 50 mM imidazole. Glucokinase was eluted with buffer A containing 250 mM imidazole, and the enzyme was dialyzed for 1.5 h at 4 °C against 1 L of buffer containing HEPES (50 mM, pH 7.6), KCl (50 mM), glycerol (5%), imidazole (40 mM), EDTA (0.25 mM), and dithiothreitol (10 mM). Dialyzed glucokinase was concentrated to 500 µL via centrifugation at 4000x g and 4° C using a 10,000 MWCO filter (Millipore Amicon Ultra). The concentrated sample was injected onto a Superdex 200 10/300 GL size-exclusion column (GE Healthcare) pre-equilibrated in a buffer containing HEPES (50 mM, pH 7.6), KCl (50 mM), and TCEP (4 mM). The gel filtration column was run at a flow rate of 0.02 mL/min, and fractions containing the highest  $A_{280}$  readings were pooled and stored at  $-80^{\circ}C$ .

### Enzyme Assays

Glucokinase activity was measured in the absence and presence of candidate activators (20  $\mu$ M) using a spectrophotomertic assay that couples the production of glucose 6-phosphate to the reduction of NADP<sup>+</sup> via glucose 6-phosphate dehydrogenase. Stock solutions of tatanan A, tatanan C, and RO-28-1675 were prepared in HEPES buffer (10 mM, pH 7.6) containing DMSO (25%) and dilution were performed into assay mixtures such that DMSO concentrations did not exceed 5% w/v. Assay reactions were initiated by the addition of ATP following pre-equilibration with glucose and activator. Initial rate data were extracted from the linear portions of progress curves and fitted to the Hill equation to obtain values for  $k_{cat}$ ,  $K_{0.5}$  and Hill number, as previously described<sup>1</sup>.

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### Synthesis

All reactions were carried out under an inert atmosphere of dry General Information. argon in oven or flame-dried glassware, unless the reaction procedure states otherwise. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) and ether (Et<sub>2</sub>O) were distilled from sodium-benzophenone in a continuous still under an atmosphere of argon. Dichloromethane, di-iso-propylamine, pyridine, triethylamine, and chlorotrimethylsilane were distilled from calcium hydride in a continuous still under and atmosphere of argon. Chlorotriethylsilane (TESCl), and diiso-propylethylamine (Hunig's Base) were distilled from calcium hydride under an inert atmosphere of dry argon and stored over calcium hydride. Reaction temperatures were controlled by IKA ETS-D4 fuzzy thermo couples. Room temperature reactions were carried out between 22-24 °C. Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using precoated TLC plates with Silica Gel 60  $F_{254}$  (EMD no. 5715-7) and visualized using combinations of UV, anisaldehyde, ceric ammonium molybdate (CAM), potassium permanganate, and iodine staining. Flash column chromatography was preformed using 40-63 µm silica gel (Merck, Geduran, no. 11567-1) as the stationary phase. Proton magnetic resonance spectra were recorded at 400, 500, and 600 MHz on Varian Unity Inova, and Varian Unity Inova spectrometers and at 800 MHz on a Bruker Avance II 800 Ultrashield Plus. Carbon magnetic resonance spectra were recorded at 50 MHz, 100 MHz, and 125 MHz on Varian Varian Unity Inova, and Varian Unity Inova spectrometers and at 200 MHz on a Bruker Avance II 800 Ultrashield Plus. All Chemical shifts were reported in  $\delta$  units relative to Optical Rotations were measured on a Rudolph DIP-1000 polarimeter. tetramethylsilane. High-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) was performed on Shimadzu instruments (LC-20AB or LC-8A). High Resolution mass spectral data were obtained by the Mass Spectrometry laboratory at the University of California, Santa Barbara.



(E)-2-Methyl-1,3-bis(2,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)prop-2-en-1-one 7. Titanium tetrachloride (1.0 in  $CH_2Cl_2$ , 1.1 ml, 1.1 mmol) was added to а of М solution 2,4,5trimethoxybenzaldehyde (0.170 g, 0.86 mmol) and 2,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl ethyl ketone (0.194 q, 0.86 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (6.0 mL) at 0 °C. After 5 min, triethylamine (0.15 mL, 1.08 mmol) was added dropwise. The resultant mixture was allowed to stir at 0 °C for 1 h. The mixture was poured over ice water and extracted with diethyl ether (25 mL). The organic phase was separated, washed with 1M HCl (2 x 5 mL), 1M NaOH (2 x 5 mL), and brine (10 mL). The organic layer was dried with  $Na_2SO_4$ , filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude material was dissolved in 6 ml of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and cooled to 0 °C, then triethylamine (0.36 mL, 2.58 mmol) was added. After stirring for 5 min, methanesulfonyl chloride (0.17 mL, 2.24 mmol) was added and the resultant solution was allowed to stir for 5 h, then DBU (0.5 mL, 3.44 mmol) was added dropwise and the reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 12 h. The reaction was diluted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (20 mL), washed with 1 M HCl (2 x 5 mL), saturated aqueous  $NaHCO_3$  (2 x 5 mL) and brine (10 mL). The organic layer was dried with Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude material was purified by column chromatography (silica, 60% ethyl acetate - hexanes, then 70% ethyl acetate - hexanes) to obtain the desired enone (0.243 g, 0.60 mmol, 70% yield) S3

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as a yellow solid. mp 140-142 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ );  $\delta(ppm)$ : 7.38 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H, H-3), 6.99 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.93 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.56 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.49 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 3.95 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.92 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.87 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.86 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.79 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.75 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.19 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 3H, H-4); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ );  $\delta(ppm)$ : 198.4, 152.9, 152.3, 151.2, 150.5, 142.7, 142.5, 138.1, 136.2,120.9, 116.6, 113.7, 113.0, 97.8, 96.8, 56.9, 56.6, 56.4, 56.3, 56.1, 56.0, 13.6; HRMS (EI) calculated for  $C_{22}H_{26}O_7$ : 402.1679 found 402.1684.



(R,E)-2-Methyl-1,3-bis(2,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)prop-2-en-1-ol (R)-8. (R)-2-Me-CBS oxazaborolidine (1.0 M in toluene, 0.50 mL, 0.5 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of the starting enone 7 (0.200 g, 0.49 mmol) in THF (10 mL) at -10 °C. Then, BH<sub>3</sub>•Me<sub>2</sub>S (0.14 mL, 1.48 mmol) was added dropwise via syringe over a period of 15 min. The reaction mixture was stirred for 5 min and quenched with MeOH (1.0 mL), H<sub>2</sub>O (2.5 mL), and diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with aqueous  $NaHCO_3$  (2x20 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (silica gel buffered with Et<sub>3</sub>N, 40:59:1 acetone:hexanes:Et<sub>3</sub>N as eluent) to obtain the allylic alcohol 8 as a colorless oil (0.195 g, 0.48 mmol, 98% yield); ee 93% by chiral HPLC analysis (Daicel Chiralcel OD-H, 20% i-PrOH/hexanes,  $\lambda$ = 215 nm, r = 1.0 ml/min,  $R_t = 24.9 \text{ min (minor)}$ ,  $R_t = 33.93 \text{ (major)}$ ;  $[\alpha]_D^{22} + 22.15 \text{ (c } 1.0, \text{ MeOH})$ ; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 7.00 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.79 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.73 (s, 1H, H-3), 6.55 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.53 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 5.54 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H, H-1), 3.90 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.89 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.85 (s, 6H, OMe), 3.81 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.79 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.54 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H, OH), 1.73 (s, 3H, H-4); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>); δ(ppm): 151.7, 151.4, 148.9, 148.4, 143.2, 142.4, 138.2, 122.5, 120.3, 118.5, 114.3, 111.6, 97.7, 97.6, 73.4, 56.6, 56.5, 56.4, 56.4, 56.0, 56.0, 14.8; HRMS (EI) calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>7</sub>: 404.1835 found 404.1848.



(R,E)-2-Methyl-1,3-bis(2,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)allyl propionate 9. Propionyl chloride (0.16 mL, 1.78 mmol) was added dropwise via syringe to a stirred solution of alcohol 8 (0.240 g, 0.59 mmol) in pyridine (3.0 mL) at 0 °C. The deep brown mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min and then diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL) and washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (2×20 mL). Aqueous layer back extracted with ethyl acetate (2×20 mL). Combined ethyl acetate layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (silica buffered with Et<sub>3</sub>N, 50:49.5:0.5 EtOAc:hexanes:Et<sub>3</sub>N as eluent) to obtain propionate 9 as a brown viscous oil (0.270 g, 0.86

mmol, 99% yield).  $[\alpha]_D^{22}$  +52.6 (c 1.0, MeOH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 7.49 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 7.44 (s, 1H, H-3), 7.29 (s, 1H, H-1), 7.03 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.46 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.43 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 3.70 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.56 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.54 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.52 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.51 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.47 (s, 3H, OMe) 2.33-2.25 (m, 2H, H-5), 2.09 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 3H, H-4), 1.11 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H, H-6); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 173.3, 151.9, 151.8, 149.5, 148.6, 143.2, 142.5, 135.0, 121.2, 118.9, 118.3, 114.2, 111.7, 97.8, 97.7, 73.0, 56.8, 56.6, 56.6, 56.5, 56.1, 56.0, 27.9, 15.1, 9.2; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>6</sub>Na[M+Na]: 483.1995 found 483.1982.



(2R, 3S, E)-2, 4-Dimethyl-3, 5-bis(2, 4, 5-trimethoxyphenyl)pent-4-enoic acid 10. A flame-dried round bottomed flask fitted with a stir bar, nitrogen inlet, and a septum was charged with THF (45 mL) and cooled to -78 °C. Diisopropylamine (0.94 mL, 6.65 mmol) was added followed by n-BuLi (2.50 M in hexanes, 2.32 mL, 5.97 mmol) via syringe. After 15 min, a solution of the starting material 9 (2.75 g, 5.97 mmol) in THF (15 mL) was added via syringe over 5 min. The reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 15 min, and then TMSCl (0.87 mL, 6.87 mmol) was added carefully. After stirring at -78 °C for 30 min, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature over a period of 1 h and stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction mixture was quenched with aqueous 1N HCl (50 mL) at 0 °C and the mixture was stirred for 15 min. The mixture was then extracted with ethyl acetate (3×100 mL). Combined ethyl acetate layers were dried over  $Na_2SO_4$  and evaporated. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (silica gel, 60% ether-hexanes to 100% ether then 10% MeOH-DCM) to obtain the diastereomerically pure carboxylic acid 10 as light-brown oil (1.64 g, 3.56 mmol, 60% yield).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$  +30.4 (c 1.0, DCM); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 6.87 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.68 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.56 (s, 1H, H-5), 6.50 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.49 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 4.05 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, H-3), 3.88 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.86 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.82 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.79 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.77 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.76 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.22-3.14 (m, 1H, H-2), 1.63 (s, 3H, H-7), 1.32 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, H-6); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 180.4, 152.0, 151.8, 148.4, 148.1, 142.7, 142.5, 135.8, 123.0, 121.6 119.1, 114.4 112.3, 98.3, 98.1, 56.8, 56.7, 56.6, 56.1, 56.0, 49.7, 41.0, 16.9, 15.1; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>8</sub>Na[M+Na]: 483.1995 found 483.1978.



(2R,3S,E)-2,4-Dimethyl-3,5-bis(2,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)pent-4-en-1-ol S1. Lithium aluminum hydride (41 mg, 1.08 mmol) was added in one-portion to a stirred solution of the starting carboxylic acid 10 (0.247 g, 0.53 mmol) in THF (6 mL) at 0 °C. The mixture was warmed to room temperature and heated under reflux for 4 h. The reaction mixture cooled to 0 °C and

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(2R, 3S, E) - 2, 4-Dimethyl-3, 5-bis(2, 4, 5-trimethoxyphenyl)pent-4-enal S2. Dimethylsulfoxide (0.66 mL, 9.29 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of oxalyl chloride (0.40 mL, 4.65 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (16 mL) at -78 °C. After 15 min, a solution of the starting alcohol **S1** (1.38 g, 3.10 mmol) in dichloromethane (15 mL) was added via syringe. The resulting mixture was stirred -78 °C for 45 min after which Huniq base (3.23 mL, 18.6 mmol) was added. After stirring for 30 min at -78 °C, the reaction mixture was placed in an ice-bath and stirred for 30 min, then diluted with ethyl acetate (150 mL) and washed with aqueous 1N HCl (1x50 mL). The aqueous layer was back-extracted with ethyl acetate (1x20 mL). Combined ethyl acetate layers were washed with brine (1x50 mL), dried over  $Na_2SO_4$  and evaporated. Crude aldehyde was purified by column chromatography (silica gel, 30%→50% ethyl acetate-hexanes) to obtain the target aldehyde S2 as a white solid (1.31 g, 2.95 mmol, 95% yield); mp 143-145 °C;  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$  +6.5 (c 1.0, DCM); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 9.41 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H, H-1), 6.85 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.71 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.52 (s, 2H, H-Ar, H-5), 6.51 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 4.03 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H, H-3), 3.89 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.87 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.82 (s, 6H, OMe), 3.81 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.78 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.08-2.99 (m, 1H, H-2), 1.67 (s, 3H, H-7), 1.21 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, H-6); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 205.2, 151.8, 151.7, 148.5, 148.4, 143.1, 142.5, 136.0, 122.4, 120.4, 118.9, 114.4, 112.8, 97.8, 97.0, 56.7, 56.6, 56.5, 56.4, 56.1, 56.0, 48.0, 47.7, 16.5, 13.4; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>7</sub>Na[M+Na]: 467.2046 found 467.2036.



5,5'-((3*S*,4*R*,*E*)-6,6-Dibromo-2,4-dimethylhexa-1,5-diene-1,3-diyl)-bis-(1,2,4-trimethoxybenzene) S3. Carbon tetrabromide (1.96 g, 5.92 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of

Supplementary Information. Xiao et al Ph<sub>3</sub>P (3.10 g, 11.8 mmol) in dichloromethane (20 mL) at 0 °C and the mixture was stirred for 20 min. Hunig base (3.10 mL, 5.92 mmol) was added via syringe. After 2 min, a solution of the aldehyde S2 (1.31 g, 2.94 mmol) in dichloromethane (10 mL) was added via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 20 min and then at room temperature for 30 min. The reaction mixture was quenched with aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (30 mL) and extracted with dichloromethane ( $3\times30$  mL). Combined organic layers were dried over  $Na_2SO_4$ and evaporated. The product was purified by column chromatography (silica gel, 30% ethyl acetate-hexanes) to obtain the desired dibromoalkene S3 as a brown oil (1.63 g, 2.71 mmol, 92% yield).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$  +25.7 (c 1.0, DCM); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 7.24 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 7.08 (s, 1H, H-1), 6.98 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.48 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.41 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.33 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H, H-5), 4.15 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H, H-3), 3.85 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.56 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.55 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.53 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.52 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.49 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.35-3.29 (m, 1H, H-4), 1.91 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 3H, H-7), 1.30 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, H-6);  $^{13}$ C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>); δ(ppm): 151.8, 151.7, 148.4, 147.9, 143.5, 142.8, 142.5, 136.8, 122.3, 121.7, 119.2, 114.4, 112.5, 98.0, 97.7, 87.4, 56.7, 56.6, 56.6, 56.6, 56.1, 56.0, 51.1, 40.0, 18.0, 15.8; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>32</sub>Br<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub>Na[M+Na]: 621.0463 found 621.0435.



(4R, 5S, E) - 4, 6-Dimethyl-5, 7-bis(2, 4, 5-trimethoxyphenyl)hept-6-en-2-yn-1-ol 11. Α flame dried round bottomed flask fitted with a stir bar, nitrogen inlet, and a septum was charged with THF (2.0 mL) and cooled to -78 °C. Diisopropylamine (0.47 mL, 3.32 mmol) followed by n-BuLi (2.43 M in hexanes, 1.29 mL, 3.14 mmol) were added via syringe. After 15 min, a solution of the starting material S3 (0.420 g, 0.70 mmol) in THF (5.0 mL) was added via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 45 min and then placed in an ice-bath and stirred for 10 min. Azeotropically dried paraformaldehyde (100 mg, 3.33 mmol) was added at once and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h. After quenching with aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution (20 ml), the reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (100 mL), washed with 1N HCl (20 mL), aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (20 mL), brine (20 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and evaporated. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (silica gel, 50% ethyl acetate-hexanes) to give the propargyllic alcohol 11 as a brown oil (0.284 g, 0.47 mmol, 86% yield).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$  +4.6 (c 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>); δ(ppm): 7.51 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 7.21 (s, 1H, H-7), 7.01 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.49 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.46 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 4.38 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, H-5), 4.00 (brs, 2H, H-1), 3.84 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.56 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.55 (s, 6H, OMe), 3.44 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.36-3.28 (m, 1H, H-4), 1.93 (s, 1H, H-9), 1.54 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, H-8); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz,  $C_6D_6$ );  $\delta(ppm)$ : 153.4, 152.8, 150.1, 149.9, 144.7, 144.4, 138.4, 123.1, 122.6, 120.5, 116.8, 115.7, 99.8, 99.7, 90.1, 81.8, 57.3, 57.1, 56.7, 56.6, 56.5, 56.4, 51.7, 51.6, 29.3, 20.8, 17.4; HRMS (ESI) calculated for  $C_{27}H_{34}O_7Na[M+Na]$ : 493.2202 found 493.2180.



(2Z,4S,5S,6E)-4,6-Dimethyl-5,7-bis(2,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)hepta-2,6-dien-1-ol S4. A 50 mL round bottomed flask was charged with propargyl alcohol 11 (0.280 g, 0.59 mmol). The flask was evacuated and with filled with hydrogen (balloon). The process was repeated for 3 times. Methanol (8.0 mL) was added and the solution was stirred for 5 min. Lindlar's catalyst (5% Pd on CaCO<sub>3</sub> poisoned with Pb, 0.127 g) was added at once and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 min. The hydrogen balloon was removed and the mixture was filtered quickly through a small pad of silica and washed with ethyl acetate (3x15 mL). Combined organic layers were evaporated and the crude product was purified by column chromatography (silica gel,  $50\% \rightarrow 70\%$  ethyl acetate-hexanes) to give the Z-allylic alcohol **S4** (0.271 g, 0.57 mmol, 96% yield) as colorless oil.  $[\alpha]_D^{22}$  -14.0 (c 1.0, DCM); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ );  $\delta(ppm)$ : 6.86 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.71 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.56 (s, 1H, H-7), 6.53 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.50 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 5.37-5.28 (m, 2H, H-2, H-3), 4.13-4.00 (m, 2H, H-1), 3.89 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.86 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.83 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.81 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.80 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.79 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.68 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, H-5), 3.20-3.12 (m, 1H, H-4), 1.69 (s, 3H, H-9), 1.14 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 3H, H-8); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 152.0, 151.7, 148.2, 147.7, 142.8, 142.5, 138.3, 137.7, 126.4, 123.1, 121.4, 119.3, 114.4, 112.5, 98.0, 97.9, 58.7, 56.8, 56.7, 56.6, 56.6, 56.1, 56.0, 51.7, 34.2, 20.3, 17.1; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>36</sub>O<sub>7</sub>Na[M+Na]: 495.2359 found 495.2345.



5,5'-((1E,3S,4S,5Z)-7-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenoxy)-2,4-dimethylhepta-1,5-diene-1,3-diyl)bis-(1,2,4-trimethoxybenzene) 12. Triphenylphosphine (0.108 g, 0.41 mmol), imidazole (62 mg, 0.90 mmol) and powdered iodine (0.112 g, 0.44 mmol) were added to a stirred solution of the starting alcohol S4 (0.130 g, 0.27 mmol) in dichloromethane (2.80 mL) at 0 °C sequentially. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 10 min and quenched with saturated aqueous  $Na_2S_2O_3$ :NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (1:1, 20 mL). The dichloromethane layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (2×10 mL). Combined organic layers were dried over  $Na_2SO_4$  and evaporated under reduced pressure (the water bath was kept at 15 °C). The crude product was purified by a short column chromatography (silica gel, 20% ethyl acetate-hexanes) to obtain the intermediate allylic iodide as a light brown oil (0.150 g, 0.257 mmonl, 94% yield).

The allylic iodide was immediately dissolved in acetone (2.57 mL). Powdered anhydrous  $K_2CO_3$  (0.356 g, 2.57 mmol) and 3,4-dimethoxyphenol (79 mg, 0.512 mmol) were added to this solution. After stirring for 15 min at room temperature, the mixture was heated at 50 °C for 3 h. The mixture was then cooled to room temperature and acetone was

evaporated. Ethyl acetate (100 mL) and water (30 mL) were added to the residue. The ethyl acetate layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (2x20 mL). The combined ethyl acetate layers were dried over  $Na_2SO_4$  and evaporated. The crude product was purified by a column chromatography (silica gel, 30% ethyl acetatehexanes) to obtain the requisite aryl ether 12 as a colorless oil (0.145 g, 0.24 mmol, 93% yield).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$  +37.0 (c 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 6.86 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.75 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, H-Ar), 6.71 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.56 (s, 1H, H-7), 6.52 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.50 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.48 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H, H-Ar), 6.29 (dd, J1 = 9.0 Hz, J2 = 2.4 Hz, 1H, H-Ar), 5.43-5.38 (m, 2H, H-2, H-3), 4.38 (m, 2H, H-1), 3.87 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.86 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.83 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.82 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.81 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.80 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.78 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.77 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.72 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, H-5), 3.19-3.11 (m, 1H, H-4), 1.69 (s, 3H, H-9), 1.17 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, H-8); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 153.2, 152.0, 151.7, 149.8, 148.2, 147.7, 143.4, 142.7, 142.5, 138.8, 137.7, 123.3, 122.8, 121.6, 119.3, 114.4, 112.6, 111.6, 103.6, 101.0, 97.9, 97.8, 64.6, 56.7, 56.7, 56.6, 56.5, 56.4, 56.1, 55.9, 55.8, 51.8, 34.5, 20.1, 16.8; HRMS (ESI) calculated for  $C_{35}H_{44}O_{9}Na[M+Na]: 631.2883$  found 631.2857.



Alkenes 13. Trimethylaluminum (2.0 M solution in toluene, 2.84 mL, 5.67 mmol) was added to an azeotropically dried neat aryl ether 12 (0.115 g, 0.19 mmol) at room temperature under argon atmosphere. The solution was then heated at 100 °C for 2 h. The reaction mixture was then cooled to 0 °C, diluted with dichloromethane (30 mL), and quenched carefully with 1N HCl (50 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (2×30 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over and evaporated. The crude mixture of products was purified by a column Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> chromatography (silica gel, 30% ethyl acetate-hexanes) to give an inseparable mixture of diastereomers as a light brown oil (48 mg, 0.078 mmol, 42% yield) along with the starting material (21 mg, 0.034 mmol, 18%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR for the major diastereomer: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 6.91 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.64 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.58 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.48 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.47 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.44 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.40 (s, 1H, H-7), 6.19-6.13 (m, 1H, H-8"), 5.18-5.12 (m, 2H, H-9"), 4.57 (s, 1H, OH), 3.90 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.86 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.85 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.83 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.81 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.79 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.78 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.72 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.65-3.62 (m, 1H, H-7"), 3.62 (d, J = 11.5 Hz, 1H, H-7"), 2.78-2.70 (m, 1H, H-8'), 1.58 (s, 3H, H-9), 0.98 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, H-9'); HRMS (ESI) calculated for  $C_{34}H_{44}O_{9}Na[M+Na]: 631.2883$  found 631.2854.



5,5'-((3*S*,4*S*,5*R*,*E*)-2,4-Dimethyl-5-(2,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)hepta-1,6-diene-1,3-diyl)bis-(1,2,4-trimethoxybenzene) S5 and 5,5'-((3*S*,4*S*,5*S*,*E*)-2,4-dimethyl-5-(2,4,5-trimethoxy-

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phenyl)hepta-1,6-diene-1,3-diyl)bis(1,2,4-trimethoxybenzene) S6. Sodium hydride (60% in mineral oil, 20 mg, 0.48 mmol) was added to as stirred solution of the starting phenol 13 (59 mg, 0.096 mmol) and iodomethane (30  $\mu$ L, 0.48 mol) in THF (1.0 mL) at 0 °C and stirred for 15 min. The ice-bath was removed and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction mixture was then cooled to 0 °C and quenched with ice. The reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL) and washed with brine (10 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (silica gel, 20 $\rightarrow$ 40% ethyl acetate-hexanes) to obtain the desired product S5 and its diastereomer S6.

**S5:** (13.6 mg, 0.021 mmol, 22% yield);  $[\alpha]_D^{22}$  +45.3 (c 0.54, DCM); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 7.15 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.74 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.66 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.53 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.52 (s, 1H, H-7), 6.50 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.49 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.21 (ddd, J1 = 17.0 Hz, J2 = 10.0 Hz, J3 = 10.0 Hz, 1H, H-8"), 5.08 (dd, J1 = 10.0 Hz, J2 = 2.5 Hz, 1H, H-9"), 4.72 (dd, J1 = 17.0 Hz, J2 = 2.0 Hz, 1H, H-9"), 3.92 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.90 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.86 (s, 6H, OMe), 3.83 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, H-7'), 3.82 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.80 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.77 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.76 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.74 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.68 (dd, J1 = 9.5 Hz, J2 = 3.5 Hz, 1H, H-7"), 2.53-2.44 (m, 1H, H-8'), 1.65 (s, 3H, H-9), 0.92 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, H-9'); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 152.7, 151.8, 151.1, 148.1, 147.9, 147.6, 142.6, 142.6, 142.5, 138.7, 136.2, 125.3, 122.6, 121.7, 120.0, 117.3, 114.9, 114.5, 113.9, 98.5, 98.3, 97.9, 57.4, 57.0, 56.8, 56.7, 56.6, 56.1, 56.0, 55.9, 50.4, 43.8, 36.8, 14.9, 13.4.

**S6:** (40.7 mg, 0.065 mmol, 68% yield);  $[\alpha]_D^{22}$  +63.8(c 1.0, DCM); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 6.88 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.66 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.56 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.51 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.49 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.44 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.41 (s, 1H, H-7), 6.17 (ddd, J1 = 17.0 Hz, J2 = 10.0 Hz, J3 = 8.5 Hz, 1H, H-8"), 5.00-4.92 (m, 2H, H-9"), 3.89 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.86 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.85 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.84 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.80 (dd, J1 = 10.0 Hz, J2 = 6.0 Hz, 1H, H-7"), 3.78 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.77 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.76 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.73 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.67 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, H-7'), 2.70-2.62 (m, 1H, H-8'), 1.61 (s, 3H, H-9), 0.93 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, H-9'); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 152.3, 151.8, 151.7, 148.1, 147.7, 147.5, 142.5, 142.4, 142.3, 141.8, 138.3, 123.6, 122.3, 122.0, 120.0, 114.6, 114.5, 113.7, 112.9, 98.4, 98.1, 97.5, 56.9, 56.6, 56.5, 56.5, 56.4, 56.1, 56.0, 56.0, 55.9, 50.5, 45.7, 37.6, 15.6, 15.1; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C<sub>36</sub>H<sub>46</sub>O<sub>9</sub>Na[M+Na]: 645.3040 found 645.3010.



(+)-Tatanan A. A 50 mL round bottomed flask was charged with substrate S5 (28 mg, 0.045 mmol). The flask was evacuated and with filled with hydrogen. The process was repeated 3 times. Ethyl acetate was added and the solution was stirred for 5 min. Lindlar's catalyst (5% Pd on CaCO<sub>3</sub> poisoned with Pb, 95 mg) was added at once and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 20 min. The hydrogen balloon was removed and the mixture was filtered quickly through a small pad of silica and washed with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The filtrate was evaporated and crude product was purified by column chromatography (silica, 30% ethyl acetate-hexanes) to give pure tatanan A (26 mg, 0.041 mmol, 92% yield)

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Supplementary information. as a colorless oil. A sample of tatanan A was recrystallized from CD<sub>3</sub>OD; mp 123-125 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{23}$  +55.1 (c 0.1, MeOH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD);  $\delta$ (ppm): 6.86 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.65 (s, 1H H-Ar), 6.63 (s, 1H H-Ar), 6.59 (s, 1H H-Ar), 6.53 (s, 2H, H-Ar), 6.26 (s, 1H, H-7), 3.86 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.83 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.81 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.77 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.76 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.71 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.70 (s, 6H, OMe), 3.52 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.50 (d, J = 11.5 Hz, 1H, H-7') 3.16-3.02 (m, 1H, H-7''), 2.58-2.51 (m, 1H, H-8'), 1.85-1.67 (m, 2H, H-8''), 1.55 (s, 3H, H-9), 0.95 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 3H, H-9'), 0.75 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H, H-9''); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD);  $\delta$ (ppm): 154.9, 154.5, 153.8, 150.1, 149.5, 149.4, 144.1, 144.0, 143.6, 139.9, 125.3, 123.9, 123.3, 121.6, 116.8, 116.8, 115.4, 100.1, 100.1, 98.8, 57.9, 57.8, 57.7, 57.4, 57.04, 56.97, 56.9, 56.8, 56.2, 52.2, 38.5, 27.3, 16.0, 15.0, 13.4; HRMS (ESI) calculated for C<sub>36</sub>H<sub>48</sub>O<sub>9</sub>Na[M+Na]: 647.3196 found 647.3181.



(R)-tert-Butyl (E)-2-buten-1-yl sulfoxide 21. A solution of tert-butyl (E)-2-buten-1-yl sulfide<sup>2</sup> S7 (0.53 g, 3.7 mmol) in 24 mL of  $CH_2Cl_2$  was added to a solution of oxaziridine<sup>3</sup> S8 (1.31 g, 3.5 mmol) in 100 mL of  $CH_2Cl_2$  under the atmosphere of argon. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 h, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by column chromatography (silica, 20% acetone – DCM) to give the desired product (0.52 g, 3.30 mmol, 88%) as colorless oil. The enantiomeric excess was found to be 90% by chiral HPLC analysis (Daicel Chiralcel AD-H, 2% iPrOH/hexanes,  $\lambda$ = 200 nm, r = 1.0 ml/min,  $R_t$  = 18.3 min (minor),  $R_t$  = 20.8 (major));  $[\alpha]_D^{23}$  +198.8° (c 1.0,  $CH_2Cl_2$ ); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, t = 23 °C,  $CDCl_3$ );  $\delta$ (ppm): 5.76 (dq, J = 14.1, 6.5 Hz, 1H, H-3), 5.59 - 5.49 (m, 1H, H-2), 3.23 - 3.14 (m, 1H, Ha-1), 3.09 - 3.01 (m, 1H, Hb-1), 1.71 (dd, J = 6.5, 1.3 Hz, 3H, H-4), 1.20 (s, 9H, H-5); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, t = 23 °C,  $CDCl_3$ );  $\delta$ (ppm): 133.55, 120.36, 53.15, 49.73, 22.86, 22.83, 18.09; LRMS (ESI) calcd for  $C_8H_{16}OSNa$  [M+Na] 183.08, found 183.09.



(2R,3S,4R,E)-tert-Butyl 6-((R)-tert-butylsulfinyl)-2,4-dimethyl-3-(2,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)hex-5-enoate 22. A solution of (S)-tert-butyl (E)-2-buten-1-yl sulfoxide (21) (0.88 g, 5.50 mmol) in THF (6.0 ml total with rinses) was added slowly dropwise to a slight excess of lithium diisopropylamide, generated from *n*-butyllithium (1.99 M in hexanes, 2.76 ml, 5.50 mmol) and diisopropylamine (0.77 ml, 5.50 mmol), in THF (70 mL) at -78 °C under argon. The resulting solution was stirred for 15 min, and then a solution of ester **S9** (1.40 g, 4.80 mmol) and lithium bromide (0.83 g, 9.60 mmol) in THF (6.0 ml total with rinses) was added at -78 °C. Addition of the solution was carried out slowly to ensure that the temperature of the reaction remained constant. The reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 90 min, and then iodomethane (3.00 ml, 24.0 mmol) was added slowly. The

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Supplementary Information. Xiao et al reaction mixture was allowed to warm to ambient temperature during 30 min and stirred at ambient temperature for 1 h. The mixture was then quenched with saturated aqueous ammonium chloride and extracted with ethyl acetate (3x50 ml). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried with sodium sulfate, concentrated, and the residue was purified by column chromatography (silica, 50% ethyl acetate - hexanes) to give the desired product 22 (1.13 g, 2.40 mmol, 50%).  $[\alpha]_D^{23}$  +142.9° (c 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, t = 23 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>); δ(ppm): 6.48 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.46 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.37 (dd, J = 15.0, 8.8 Hz, 1H, H-2), 6.00 (d, J = 14.9 Hz, 1H, H-1), 3.85 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.81 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.75 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.48 (s, 1H, H-4), 2.78 (dd, J = 13.0, 6.8 Hz, 1H, H-3), 2.73 - 2.69 (m, 1H, H-5), 1.47 (s, 9H, H-9), 1.17 (s, 9H, H-8), 0.92 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H, H-7), 0.84 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, H-6);<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, t = 50 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 6.49 (s, 1H), 6.38 (dd, J = 15.2, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.01 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 2H), 3.81 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 2H), 3.47 (s, 1H), 2.80 (dt, J = 13.3, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (dt, J = 13.1, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 1.48 (s, 9H), 1.17 (s, 9H), 0.94 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 0.85 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H);<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, t = 23 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>); δ(ppm): 176.15, 152.69, 148.90, 147.91, 143.96, 142.71, 127.74, 118.13, 97.57, 80.28, 56.56, 56.40, 55.94, 54.39, 43.37, 39.75, 28.07, 22.80, 18.53, 16.67; LRMS (ESI) calcd for  $C_{25}H_{40}O_6SNa$  [M+Na] 491.24, found 491.25.<sup>4</sup>



6-(tert-butylsulfonyl)-2,4-dimethyl-3-(2,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)-(2R, 3S, 4R, E)-tert-Butyl hex-5-enoate 23. m-Chloroperoxybenzoic acid (~77% pure, 0.59 g, 2.65 mmol) was added to a solution of the starting sulfoxide 22 (1.13 g, 2.41 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (40 mL) at 0 °C . After the addition was complete, the solution was stirred at the same temperature for 40 min. A 20 mL portion of saturated aqueous sodium sulfite was added, and the aqueous phase was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3×50 ml). The combined organic layers were washed with saturated aqueous sodium carbonate and brine, dried with sodium sulfate, concentrated, and the residue was purified by column chromatography (silica, 30% ethyl acetate hexanes) to give the desired product 23 (1.01 g, 2.10 mmol, 86%).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$  +42.1° (c 1.0,  $CH_2Cl_2$ ; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, t = 23 °C,  $CDCl_3$ );  $\delta(ppm)$ : 6.84 (dd, J = 15.2, 8.9 Hz, 1H, H-2), 6.49 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.44 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.13 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H, H-1), 3.87 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.82 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.77 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.66 - 3.26 (m, 1H, H-4), 2.91 - 2.63 (m, 2H, H-3,5), 1.49 (s, 9H, H-9), 1.29 (s, 9H, H-8), 0.97 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H, H-7), 0.87 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, H-6); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, t = 50 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta(ppm)$ : 6.84 (dd, J = 15.2, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (s, 1H), 6.47 (s, 1H), 6.13 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.47 (s, 1H), 2.84 (dd, J = 13.6, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (s, 1H), 1.50 (s, 9H),

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The absolute configuration was confirmed by the follwing transformations and correlation of the final product to a known compound: Hanessian, S.; Gomtsyan, A.; Payne, A.; Herve, Y.; Beaudoin, S. J. Org. Chem. **58**, 5032-5034 (1993).



1.29 (s, 9H), 0.99 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 0.88 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (125 MHz, t = 23 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 175.96, 153.51, 152.52, 148.22, 142.82, 123.46, 117.54, 113.38, 97.51, 80.47, 58.06, 56.53, 56.23, 55.96, 43.17, 39.64, 28.03, 23.15, 18.02, 16.63. LRMS (ESI) calcd for  $C_{25}H_{40}O_7SNa$  [M+Na] 507.24, found 507.25.



tert-Butyl (2R,3S,4S)-2,4-dimethyl-3-(2,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)hex-5-enoate 24. A solution of *i*-PrMqCl (1.3 mL, 1.1 M in THF) was added dropwise to a solution of the starting sulfone 23 (0.232 g, 0.47 mmol) and Pd(acac)<sub>2</sub> (15 mg, 0.047 mmol) in dry THF (10 mL) at 0 °C. The resulting solution was stirred at 0 °C for 1.5 h. The mixture was then quenched with aqueous ammonium chloride and extracted with ethyl acetate (3×20 ml). The organic layer was washed with aqueous saturated sodium carbonate and brine, dried over with sodium sulfate, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (silica, 15% ethyl acetate - hexanes) to give the desired product 24 (0.121 g, 0.33 mmol, 71%).  $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$  +30.9° (c 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, t = 23 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 6.54 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.51 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 5.74 (ddd, J = 17.3, 10.4, 8.2 Hz, 1H, H-2), 5.01 (dd, J = 10.3, 1.4 Hz, 1H, H-1a), 4.95 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H, H-1b), 3.87 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.78 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.76 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.45 (s, 1H, H-4), 2.72 (dq, J = 13.5, 6.8 Hz, 1H, H-5), 2.56 - 2.48 (m, 1H, H-3), 1.50 (s, 9H, H-8), 0.86 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H, H-6), 0.84 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H, H-7); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, t = 23 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 176.35, 152.94, 147.58, 142.34, 141.00, 119.21, 114.56, 113.42, 97.49, 79.90, 56.60, 56.46, 55.79, 45.39, 43.28, 40.29, 27.99, 18.33, 16.69; LRMS (ESI) calcd for  $C_{\rm 21}H_{\rm 32}O_{\rm 5}Na$  [M+Na] 387.21, found 387.23.



(2R, 3S, 4S) - 1, 1 - Bis(2, 5 - dimethoxy - 4 - ((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)phenyl) - 2, 4 - dimethyl - 3 - (2, 4, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 4, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 4, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 4, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 4, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 4, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 4, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 4, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 4, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 4, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 4, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 4, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 4, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 4, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 5 - 1) - 2, 4 - (2, 5 - 1) - 2, 4trimethoxyphenyl)hex-5-en-1-ol 26. n-Butyllithium (1.99 M in hexane, 1.0 mL, 1.99 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of (4-bromo-2,5-dimethoxyphenoxy)triisopropylsilane S10 (0.77 g, 1.98 mmol) in THF (3 mL) at -78 °C. After stirring at -78 °C for 1 h, the reaction flask was placed in an ice-water bath and stirred for 10 min. The reaction mixture was then cooled back to -78 °C and a solution of ester 24 (0.24 g, 0.65 mmol) in THF (3.0 ml total with rinses) was added via syringe drop by drop, and stirring was continued at the same temperature for 30 min. After warming to 0 °C for 30 min and room temperature for 3 h, the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO3 solution (10 mL). The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried with sodium sulfate, concentrated, and the residue was purified by column chromatographyraphy (silica, 8% first then 15% ethyl acetate - hexanes) to give the desired product 26 (0.53 g, 0.58 mmol, 89%).  $[\alpha]_D^{23}$  -25.3° (c 1.0,  $CH_2Cl_2$ ); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, t = 23 °C,  $CDCl_3$ );  $\delta(ppm)$ : 7.33 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 7.18 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.74 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.39 (s, 2H, H-Ar), 6.33 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 5.73 - 5.51 (m, 1H, H-S13

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2), 4.94 (s, 1H, OH), 4.75 (d, J = 17.3 Hz, 1H, H-1a), 4.72 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H, H-1b), 3.86 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.82 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.79 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.75 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.55 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 1H, H-4), 3.45 (broad s, 3H, OMe), 3.41 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.38 (s, 3H, OMe), 2.51 (s, 1H, H-3), 1.30 - 1.16 (m, 6H, H-TIPS), 1.12 - 1.02 (m, 39H H-TIPS, Me), 0.95 - 0.90 (m, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, t = 23 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 152.77, 146.83, 144.22, 144.05, 143.91, 143.67, 141.57, 128.03, 124.25, 114.80, 112.75, 106.48, 97.32, 81.10, 56.62, 56.26, 55.53, 41.95, 37.96, 18.97, 17.83, 17.78, 17.48, 17.44, 14.11, 12.82, 12.81, 12.76, 12.75; LRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>51</sub>H<sub>82</sub>O<sub>10</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>Na [M+Na] 933.53, found 933.58.



((((2R,3S,4S)-2,4-Dimethyl-3-(2,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)hex-5-ene-1,1-diyl)bis(2,5dimethoxy-4,1-phenylene))bis(oxy))bis(triisopropylsilane) 27. Triethylsilane (1.6 mL, 10 mmol) followed by BF<sub>3</sub>•OEt<sub>2</sub>(0.26 mL, 2.1 mmol) were added to a solution of alcohol 26 (0.47 g, 0.52 mmol) in dichloromethane (40 mL) at -78 °C under an atmosphere of argon. The resultant solution was stirred at -78 °C for 30 min. Aqueous ammonium chloride (30 mL) was added, the layers were separated, the aqueous layer was further extracted with dichloromethane (3x20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried with sodium sulfate, concentrated, and the residue was purified by column chromatography (silica, 10% ethyl acetate - hexanes) to give the desired product 27 (0.41 g, 0.46 mmol, 88 %).  $[\alpha]_D^{23}$  -41.4° (c 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, t = 40 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 6.96 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.69 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.61 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.42 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.41 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.40 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 5.69 - 5.58 (m, 1H, H-2), 4.86 - 4.79 (m, 1H, H-1a), 4.75 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H, H-1b), 4.34 (s, 1H, H-6), 3.87 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.77 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.76 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.66 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.55 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.53 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.48 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.21 (s, 1H, H-4), 2.92 (s, 1H, H-3), 2.78 (s, 1H, H-5), 1.24 (ddt, J = 14.6, 10.8, 7.4 Hz, 9H, H-6 and TIPS), 1.09 (ddd, J = 13.2, 7.4, 1.5 Hz, 36H, H-TIPS), 0.69 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, H-7); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, t = 50 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 153.23, 152.19, 147.56, 144.62, 144.33, 143.80, 143.75, 142.22, 126.57, 126.26, 122.00, 116.19, 115.93, 114.87, 112.68, 106.41, 106.10, 97.36, 56.85, 56.73, 56.62, 56.56, 56.29, 56.11, 55.70, 39.09, 35.68, 29.69, 18.97, 17.94, 17.89, 17.59, 17.55, 14.13, 12.98, 12.94; LRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>51</sub>H<sub>82</sub>O<sub>9</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>Na [M+Na] 917.54, found 917.60.



Methyl (4s, 5s, 6r, E) - 7, 7-bis(2, 5-dimethoxy-4-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)phenyl)-4, 6-dimethyl-5-(2,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)hept-2-enoate 28. Alkene 27 (0.45 g, 0.50 mmol) and methyl acrylate (0.27 mL, 3.0 mmol) were dissolved in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (4 mL), and Hoveyda-Grubbs secondgeneration catalyst (15 mg, 0.025 mmol) was added as a solid in one portion. The reaction was stirred at 45 °C for 72 h and then concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography (silica, 15% ethyl acetate - hexanes) to give the desired product 28 (0.44

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g, 0.46 mmol, 93 %) as a yellow solid.  $[\alpha]_D^{23} - 9.6^{\circ}$  (c 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, t = 50 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 7.02 (broad, 1H, H-3), 6.89 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.80 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.53 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.46 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.45 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.42 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 5.68 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H, H-2), 4.65 (s, 1H, H-7), 3.86 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.75 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.72 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.69 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.67 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.66 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.57 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.56 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.30 (s, 1H, H-5), 2.90 (s, 2H, H-4 and 6), 1.34 - 1.19 (m, 6H, H-TIPS), 1.15 - 1.02 (m, 36H, H-TIPS), 0.94 (d, J = 3.4 Hz, 3H, H-8), 0.70 (t, J = 5.6 Hz, 3H, H-9); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, t = 50 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 167.29, 154.14, 152.98, 152.20, 151.97, 147.81, 144.65, 144.33, 144.05, 143.98, 142.49, 125.93, 125.11, 121.11, 119.70, 115.95, 115.24, 106.62, 105.89, 97.65, 56.71, 56.67, 56.58, 56.21, 56.12, 55.92, 51.02, 37.58, 35.97, 17.92, 17.91, 17.88, 17.57, 17.54, 14.72, 12.97, 12.94; LRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>53</sub>H<sub>84</sub>O<sub>11</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>Na [M+Na] 975.54, found 975.54.



(4S,5S,6R,E)-7,7-Bis(2,5-dimethoxy-4-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)phenyl)-4,6-dimethyl-5-

(2,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)hept-2-en-1-ol S11. Diisobutylaluminum hydride (1 M in toluene, 2.3 ml, 2.3 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of ester 28 (0.43 g, 0.46 mmol) in dry dichloromethane (25 ml) at -78 °C. After 1 h, the reaction mixture was quenched with 20 ml of Rochelle's salt solution and diluted with 50 ml of ethyl acetate. The mixture was stirred vigorously for 2 h at room temperature. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3x20 ml). The organic layers were dried with sodium sulfate and concentrated to give the crude alcohol, which was purified by column chromatographyraphy (silica, 30% ethyl acetate - hexanes) to give the desired product S11 (0.42 g, 0.45 mmol, 99 %) as a colorless solid.  $[\alpha]_D^{23}$  -29.7° (c 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, t = 50 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta(ppm)$ : 6.90 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.74 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.59 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.42 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.41 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.40 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 5.51 (dd, J = 15.4, 7.2 Hz, 1H, H-3), 5.43 (dt, J = 15.4, 5.8 Hz, 1H, H-2), 4.39 (s, 1H, H-7), 3.89 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H, H-1), 3.86 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.77 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.75 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.67 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.55 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.55 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.49 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.20 (s, 1H, H-5), 2.92 (s, 1H, H-4), 2.76 (s, 1H, H-6), 1.30 - 1.19 (m, 6H, H-TIPS), 1.11 - 1.06 (m, 36H, H-TIPS), 1.04  $(d, J = 6.5 \text{ Hz}, 3H, H-8), 0.71 (d, J = 7.0 \text{ Hz}, 3H, H-9); {}^{13}\text{C} \text{ NMR} (125 \text{ MHz}, t = 50 {}^{\circ}\text{C}, \text{CDCl}_3);$ δ(ppm): 153.17, 152.16, 152.13, 147.64, 144.64, 144.36, 143.87, 143.82, 142.28, 138.49, 127.61, 126.40, 126.03, 122.06, 115.88, 114.95, 106.45, 106.11, 97.36, 63.98, 56.89, 56.71, 56.65, 56.57, 56.35, 56.17, 55.73, 18.98, 17.93, 17.93, 17.89, 17.58, 17.54, 14.28, 12.98, 12.94; LRMS (ESI) calcd for  $C_{52}H_{84}O_{10}Si_2Na$  [M+Na] 947.55, found 947.59.



(4S,5S,6R,E)-7,7-Bis(2,5-dimethoxy-4-((triisopropylsilyl)oxy)phenyl)-4,6-dimethyl-5-(2,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)hept-2-en-1-yl methyl carbonate S12. Methyl chloroformate (0.10 mL, 1.3 mmol) was slowly added to a stirred solution of allyl alcohol S11 (0.41 g, 0.44 S15

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mmol) and pyridine (0.23 mL, 2.7 mmol) in dry dichloromethane (25 mL) at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 60 min and then concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography (silica, 25% ethyl acetate – hexanes) to give the desired product **S12** (0.42 g, 0.43 mmol, 95%) as a white powder.  $[\alpha]_D^{23}$  -24.9° (c 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, t = 50 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 6.89 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.76 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.57 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.43 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.41 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.40 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 5.67 (dd, J = 15.1, 7.5 Hz, 1H, H-2), 5.44 - 5.35 (m, 1H, H-3), 4.47 - 4.36 (m, 3H, H-1 and 7), 3.87 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.76 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.74 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.72 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.68 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.57 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.55 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.50 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.19 (s, 1H, H-5), 2.90 (s, 1H, H-4), 2.79 (s, 1H, H-6), 1.29 - 1.20 (m, 6H, H-TIPS), 1.12 - 1.06 (m, 36H, H-TIPS), 1.01 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H, H-8), 0.69 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, H-9); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, t = 50 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 155.56, 153.07, 152.11, 152.07, 147.59, 144.56, 144.28, 143.82, 143.78, 142.27, 141.93, 126.24, 125.82, 121.77, 115.85, 114.94, 106.39, 105.96, 97.39, 56.76, 56.62, 56.58, 56.50, 56.23, 56.06, 55.65, 54.37, 37.55, 18.72, 17.81, 17.51, 17.47, 14.27, 12.91, 12.86; LRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>54</sub>H<sub>86</sub>O<sub>12</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>Na [M+Na] 1005.56, found 1005.59.



(4S,5S,6R,E)-7,7-Bis(4-hydroxy-2,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-4,6-dimethyl-5-(2,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)hept-2-en-1-yl methyl carbonate 29. Tetra-n-butylammonium fluoride (1.0 M in THF, 1.2 ml, 1.2 mmol) was added to a solution of silyl ether S12 (0.39 g, 0.39 mmol) in THF (30 ml) at 0 °C. After 15 min, the reaction was quenched with 1M aqueous solution of hydrogen chloride (2 ml). The aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3x10 ml). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried with sodium sulfate, concentrated, and the residue was purified by column chromatography (silica, 50% ethyl acetate hexanes then 60% ethyl acetate - hexanes) to give the desired product 29 (0.28 g, 0.40 mmol, 100%) as a yellow solid.  $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$  -66.4° (c 1.0, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, t = 50 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 6.88 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.80 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.57 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.47 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.43 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 6.35 (s, 1H, H-Ar), 5.54 (dd, J = 15.4, 7.8 Hz, 1H, H-3), 5.41 (s, 1H, OH), 5.37 (s, 1H, OH), 5.36 - 5.27 (m, 1H, H-2), 4.33 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, H-1), 4.13 (s, 1H, H-7), 3.87 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.83 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.77 (s, 6H, OMe), 3.71 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.63 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.62 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.43 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.43 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.08 (s, 2H, H-5 and 4), 2.75 (s, 1H, H-6), 1.12 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, H-8), 0.78 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, H-9); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, t = 23 °C, CDCl<sub>3</sub>);  $\delta$ (ppm): 171.22, 155.47, 152.73, 152.18, 152.12, 147.19, 143.83, 143.72, 142.36, 141.62, 139.85, 139.54, 124.04, 123.74, 121.38, 113.70, 112.81, 99.68, 99.25, 96.07, 68.80, 64.31, 60.34, 56.66, 56.56, 56.08, 55.82, 55.64, 55.18, 54.48, 30.58, 19.06, 18.94, 14.17, 14.14, 13.64; LRMS (ESI) calcd for  $C_{36}H_{46}O_{12}Na$ [M+Na] 693.29, found 693.32.

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Mixture of cyclohexadienones 32, 33, and 34. Bis-phenol 29 (0.100 g, 0.149 mmol),  $Pd(dba)_2$  (17 mg, 0.030 mmol), and  $P(OPh)_3$  (22 mg, 0.072 mmol) were dissolved in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (3.0 mL) and the resulting solution was degassed with argon and stirred at room temperature. After 20 h, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, 50% ethyl acetate - hexanes, then 100% ethyl acetate) to give products 32, 33 and 34 (75 mg, 0.0126 mmol, 84%), as an inseparable mixture in a 6:3:2 ratio, respectively, along with the recovered starting material (9 mg, 0.0134 mmol, 9%). LRMS (ESI) calcd for  $C_{34}H_{42}O_9Na$  [M+Na] 617.27, found 617.30.



Mixture of aryl methyl ethers S14, S15, and S16. Sodium hydride (60% in mineral oil, 54 mg, 1.35 mmol) was added to as stirred solution of 32, 33 and 34 (6:3:2, 80 mg, 0.134 mmol) and iodomethane (84  $\mu$ L, 1.35 mol) in dry THF (5.0 mL) at 0 °C. The resultant mixture was stirred for 10 min. Then ice-water bath was removed and the stirring was continued at room temperature for 3 h. The reaction mixture was then cooled to 0 °C and quenched with pieces of ice. The reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL) and washed with brine (10 mL). The organic layer was dried over  $Na_2SO_4$  and evaporated. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (silica gel, 100% ethyl acetate) to obtain products S14, S15 and S16 as a 6:3:2 mixture (63 mg, 0.103 mmol, 78%).



**Tatanans B and C.** A 50 mL round bottomed flask was charged with the mixture of substrates **S14, S15** and **S16** (3:6:2, 63 mg, 0.103 mmol). The flask was evacuated and filled with hydrogen. The process was repeated 3 times. Ethyl acetate was added and the solution was

stirred for 40 min. Lindlar's catalyst (5% Pd on  $CaCO_3$  poisoned with Pb, 95 mg) was added at once and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 20 min. The balloon supplying hydrogen was removed and the reaction mixture was filtered rapidly through a small pad of silica and the pad was washed with ethyl acetate (3×20 mL). The filtrate was evaporated and the crude product was purified by column chromatography (silica, 100% ethyl acetate) to obtain a mixture of tatanan B, tatanan C, and isomer **35** (3:6:2, 64 mg, 0.103 mol, 100%). The isomers were separated by reverse-phase HPLC (YMC ODS-AM column, 250mm·20mm, 254 nm, 40% MeCN-H<sub>2</sub>O, 18.0 ml/min) affording **35** (R<sub>t</sub>=108.6 min, 6 mg, 10%), tatanan C (R<sub>t</sub>=110.4 min, 30 mg, 48%), tatanan B (R<sub>t</sub>=115.8 min, 15 mg, 24%), and a mixture of **35**/tatanan B/tatanan C (12 mg, 2:1:2, 18%).

**35**:  $[\alpha]_D^{23}$  +54.5°(c 0.10, CH<sub>3</sub>OH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, t = 23 °C, (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CO);  $\delta$ (ppm): 7.28 (s, 1H, H-6), 6.73 (s, 1H, H-3), 6.68 (s, 1H, H-6'), 6.52 (s, 1H, H-3'), 5.89 (s, 1H, H-6''), 5.28 (s, 1H, H-3''), 3.93 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.88 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.85 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.82 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.76 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.73 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.70 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.67 (d, J = 12.7 Hz, 1H, H-7), 3.65 (s, 3H, OMe), 3.37 (dd, J = 9.7, 8.2 Hz, 1H, H-7'), 2.92 (ddd, J = 12.6, 9.9, 6.4 Hz, 1H, H-8), 2.69 (ddd, J = 11.9, 7.0, 4.6 Hz, 1H, 7''), 2.52 - 2.43 (m, 1H, 8'), 1.26 - 1.19 (m, 1H, H-8''a), 1.00 (ddd, J = 14.5, 7.5, 4.6 Hz, 1H, H-8''b), 0.74 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H, H-9''), 0.63 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H, H-9'), 0.50 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H, H-9); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, t = 23 °C, (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CO);  $\delta$ (ppm): 180.77, 177.57, 152.91, 152.79, 149.96, 148.82, 148.19, 143.43, 142.71, 123.51, 118.31, 116.37, 115.26, 113.08, 104.54, 98.37, 97.52, 56.62, 56.03, 55.91, 55.49, 55.44, 55.32, 55.00, 54.37, 53.78, 45.92, 44.88, 43.60, 34.35, 32.22, 29.42, 22.71, 19.91, 15.32, 14.24. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>35</sub>H<sub>46</sub>O<sub>9</sub>Na [M+Na] 633.3040, found 693.3010.

**Tatanan B:**  $[\alpha]_D^{23} - 29.9^\circ$  (c 0.10, CH<sub>3</sub>OH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (800 MHz, t = 23 °C, (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CO);  $\delta$ (ppm): 6.89 (s, 1H), 6.73 (s, 1H), 6.52 (s, 1H), 6.49 (s, 1H), 6.26 (s, 1H), 5.36 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.43 (ddd, J = 18.1, 12.1, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 3.24 (dd, J = 11.9, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.14 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (dt, J = 10.7, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.32 - 2.26 (m, 1H), 1.26 - 1.20 (m, 1H), 1.15 - 1.09 (m, 1H), 0.91 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 0.76 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 0.60 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (200 MHz, t = 23 °C, (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CO);  $\delta$ (ppm): 181.31, 177.50, 153.30, 153.24, 150.90, 149.66, 149.52, 143.62, 143.04, 123.90, 119.83, 118.87, 117.00, 116.21, 105.72, 99.45, 99.06, 60.99, 57.92, 56.87, 56.82, 56.26, 56.06, 56.04, 55.98, 54.62, 49.83, 48.07, 33.61, 27.33, 21.52, 19.43, 12.29, 11.98; LRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>35</sub>H<sub>46</sub>O<sub>9</sub>Na [M+Na] 633.30, found 633.30. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>35</sub>H<sub>46</sub>O<sub>9</sub>Na [M+Na] 633.3040, found 693.3016.

**Tatanan C**:  $[\alpha]_D^{23} - 47.3^\circ$  (c 0.11, CH<sub>3</sub>OH); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, t = 23 °C, (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CO);  $\delta$ (ppm): 6.96 (s, 1H), 6.83 (s, 1H), 6.73 (s, 1H), 6.50 (s, 1H), 6.29 (s, 1H), 5.23 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.84 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.71 (s, 6H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 3.39 (dd, J = 11.6, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 2.85 - 2.79 (m, 1H), 2.52 (dt, J = 10.8, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 2.37 - 2.31 (m, 1H), 1.25 (m, 1H), 1.17 - 1.10 (m, 1H), 0.99 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 0.78 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 0.51 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3H) ; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, t = 23 °C, (CD<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CO);  $\delta$ (ppm): 181.25, 178.86, 153.72, 153.43, 152.82, 149.82, 149.69, 143.74, 142.79, 124.00, 120.76, 117.95, 117.41, 114.85, 104.62, 99.40, 97.65, 58.49, 57.87, 56.92, 56.65, 56.39, 56.23, 56.09, 55.28, 55.06, 50.72, 49.41, 48.34, 33.46,

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Xiao et al. 30.35, 22.03, 19.10, 12.46, 12.15; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $C_{35}H_{46}O_9Na$  [M+Na] 633.3040, found 693.3027.

comparison of $^1$ H NMR data $\delta$ (ppm)						
	tatan	tatanan A <sup>a</sup> tatanan B <sup>b</sup>		tatanan C <sup>b</sup>		
no.	Ni et al. natural $\delta_{H}$ m(J,Hz)	This work $\delta_{\rm H}$ m(J,Hz)	Ni et al. natural $\delta_{H}$ m(J,Hz)	This work $\delta_{\rm H}$ m(J,Hz)	Ni et al. natural $\delta_{H}$ m(J,Hz)	This work $\delta_{\rm H}$ m(J,Hz)
1						
2						
3	6.59(s)	6.58(s)	6.55(s)	6.52(s)	6.49(s)	6.50(s)
4						
5						
6	6.64(s)	6.62(s)	6.51(s)	6.48(s)	6.82(s)	6.83(s)
7	6.28(s)	6.26(s)	3.17(d,11.0)	3.14(d,11.2)	3.84(d,11.4)	3.84(d,10.8)
8			3.45(m)	3.42(m)	2.81(m)	2.82(m)
9	1.57(s)	1.55(s)	0.63(d,6.0)	0.60(d,6.2)	0.50(d,6.0)	0.51(d,6.2)
1′						
2′						
3′	6.66(s)	6.65(s)	6.76(s)	6.73(s)	6.72(s)	6.73(s)
4 ′						
5′						
6′	6.87(s)	6.85(s)	6.92(s)	6.89(s)	6.95(s)	6.96(s)
7,	2 = 52 (arrawlaw)		3.27 (dd,	3.24(dd,	3.39(dd,	3.39(dd,
7.	3.53(Overlap)	3.50(d,11.5)	12.0,4.5)	11.9,4.4)	12.0,4.2)	11.6,4.6)
8′	2.56(1H,m)	2.55(m)	2.32(m)	2.30(m)	2.33(m)	2.34(m)
91	0.97(d,6.5)	0.95(d,6.5)	0.94(d,7.5)	0.91(d,7.5)	0.94(d,7.2)	0.99(d,7.5)
1″						
2″						
3″	6.54(s)	6.53(s)	5.38(s)	5.35(s)	5.22(s)	5.23(s)
4″						
5″						
6″	6.54(s)	6.53(s)	6.29(s)	6.26(s)	6.27(s)	6.29(s)
7″	2 11(m)	3  10(m)	2.43(dt,	2.40(dt,	2.51(dt,	2.52(dt,
/	5•11(m)	5.10(m)	11.0,4.5)	10.7,4.4)	11.8,4.8)	10.8,4.3)
8″	a 1.74(m)	a 1.73(m)	a 1.15(m)	a 1.12(m)	a 1.13(m)	a 1.14(m)
Ű	b 1.80(m)	b 1.78(m)	b 1.24(m)	b 1.21(m)	b 1.27(m)	b 1.25(m)
9″	0.77(t,6.5)	0.75(t,7.5)	0.79(t,6.5)	0.76(t,7.4)	0.78(t,6.5)	0.78(t,7.4)
OMe	3.53(s)	3.51(s)	3.67(s)	3.64(s)	3.61(s)	3.62(s)
OMe	3.71(9Н,	3.70(9Н,	3.72(s)	3.69(s)	З.70(6Н,	3.71(6Н,
0110	overlap)	overlap)	0002(2)	0.03(5)	overlap)	overlap
OMe	3.77(s)	3.76(s)	3.77(s)	3.74(s)	3.73(overlap)	3.74(s)
OMe	3.78(s)	3.77(s)	3.80(s)	3.77(s)	3.74(overlap)	3.75(s)
OMe	3.82(S)	3.81(s)	3.86(overlap)	3.83(s)	3.78(s)	3.79(s)
OMe	3.84(s)	3.83(s)	3.87(overlap)	3.84(s)	3.83(s)	3.84(s)
OMe	3.87(s)	3.86(s)	3.88(overlap)	3.84(s)	3.86(s)	3.87(s)
OMe			3.89(overlap)	3.86(s)		

Supplementary Table 1. Comparison of  ${}^{1}\text{H}$  NMR data for the synthetic tatanans A, B, and C with those published for the natural material.

<sup>a</sup>In CD<sub>3</sub>OD. <sup>b</sup>In acetone-d<sub>6</sub>

comparison of $^{13}$ C NMR data $\delta$ (ppm)						
	tatanan A <sup>a</sup>		tatanan B <sup>b</sup>		tatanan C <sup>b</sup>	
no.	Ni et al. natural $\delta_{H}$ m(J,Hz)	This work $\delta_{\scriptscriptstyle \rm H}$ m(J,Hz)	Ni et al. natural $\delta_{\mu}$ m(J,Hz)	This work $\delta_{\rm H}$ m(J,Hz)	Ni et al. natural $\delta_{H}$ m(J,Hz)	This work $\delta_{\rm H}$ m(J,Hz)
1	121.4	121.6	119.9	119.8	120.7	120.7
2	153.5	153.8	153.4	153.3	153.7	153.7
3	98.7	98.8	99.2	99.1	97.6	97.6
4	149.8	150.1	149.7	149.7	149.8	149.8
5	143.8	144.1	143.1	143.0	142.7	142.8
6	116.6	116.8	119.0	118.9	114.7	114.8
7	123.0	123.3	61.0	61.0	50.6	50.7
8	139.7	139.9	27.4	27.3	30.3	30.3
9	14.9	15.0	19.5	19.4	19.0	19.1
1′	125.1	125.3	124.0	123.9	123.9	124.0
2′	154.2	154.5	153.3	153.2	153.4	153.4
3′	100.0	100.0	99.6	99.5	99.3	99.4
4 ′	149.2	149.5	149.6	149.5	149.6	149.7
5′	143.7	144.0	143.7	143.6	143.7	143.7
6′	115.2	115.4	117.1	117.0	117.9	117.9
7′	52.0	52.2	48.1	48.1	48.3	48.3
8′	38.3	38.5	33.7	33.6	33.4	33.4
9'	15.8	16.0	12.3	12.3	12.4	12.4
1″	123.8	123.9	56.3	56.3	55.2	55.2
2″	154.6	154.9	177.5	177.5	178.6	178.8
3″	99.9	100.0	105.8	105.7	104.6	104.6
4″	149.2	149.4	181.3	181.3	181.1	181.3
5″	143.4	143.6	151.0	150.9	152.8	152.8
6″	116.6	116.8	116.3	116.2	117.4	117.4
7″	29.5		49.9	49.8	49.3	49.4
8″	27.2	27.3	21.6	21.5	21.9	22.0
9″	13.3	13.4	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.1
OMe	56.1	56.2	54.7	54.6	55.0	55.0
OMe	56.7	56.8	55.7	55.7	56.0	56.0
OMe	56.8	56.9	56.1	56.0	56.1	56.2
OMe	56.8	57.0	56.1	56.0	56.3	56.4
OMe	56.9	57.0	56.1	56.1	56.5	56.6
OMe	57.3	57.4	56.9	56.8	56.8	56.9
OMe	57.6	57.7	57.0	56.9	57.8	57.8
OMe	57.6	57.8	58.0	57.9	58.4	58.4
OMe	57.8	57.9				

Supplementary Table 2. Comparison of  $^{13}\mathrm{C}$  NMR data for the synthetic tatanans A, B, and C with those published for the natural material

<sup>a</sup>In CD<sub>3</sub>OD. <sup>b</sup>In acetone- $d_6$ 





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f1 (ppm)

















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2%iPrOH in Hex 1ml/min AD-H 1 mg/ml 20 ulAcquired by Sample Name : Admin xq-sulfioxide-2-43.lcd Sample ID xq-sulfioxide-2-43 Vail # Injection Volume Data File Name Method File Name 20 uL xq-sulfioxide-2-43.lcd : hk-standard.lcm Batch File Name Report File Name : Default.lcr Data Acquired Data Processed 5/21/2012 12:07:47 PM 5/21/2012 8:08:47 PM

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1 PDA Multi 1/254nm 4nm

PeakTable

]	PDA Ch1 2	54nm 4nm		-		
[	Peak#	Ret. Time	Area	Height	Area %	Height %
[	1	16.505	22128	1161	6.110	11.158
[	2	18.326	18122	859	5.004	8.258
[	3	20.862	321895	8382	88.886	80.584
[	Total		362145	10401	100.000	100.000























Enlarged 2D H,H-COSY spectrum of **35** in CD<sub>3</sub>COCD<sub>3</sub>(600 MHz)







NOE spectrum of 35 in  $\text{CD}_3\text{COCD}_3(500\ \text{MHz})$ 



f1 (ppm) 



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xq-tatanan-prep	
ODS-AM 250mm*20mm	1
20ml/min 40% CH3CN i	n H2O
2.5 ml in 50:50 CH3CN/	H2O
sampl injection	
Acquired by	: Admin
Sample Name	: xq-tatanan-prep
Sample ID	: xq-tatanan-prep
Vail #	
Injection Volume	: 2.5 uL
Data File Name	: xq-tatanan-prep05.lcd
Method File Name	: ath-YMC-Pack SIL, 250x30 mm, S-10 um, 12 nm.lcm
Batch File Name	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Report File Name	: Default.lcr
Data Acquired	: 7/25/2012 10:15:04 AM
Data Processed	: 7/25/2012 2:09:21 PM
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