### **Supplemental Data**

### **Preparation of MCSR-18-006**

### Synthetic Scheme for the Preparation of MCSR-18-006



### Procedure for the synthesis of MCSR-18-006



*1-(1-hydroxyheptyl)- 1,12-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane: n*-BuLi solution (2.5M in hexane, 4.4 ml) was added dropwise at 0 °C under Ar to a solution of 1,12-dicarba-*closo*-dodecaborane (1.44 g, 10 mmol) in 1,2 dimethoxyethane (50 ml). We stirred the mixture at room temperature for 1 hour and then added 1-heptanal (1.55 ml, 11 mmol) at 0 °C. This mixture was then stirred at room temperature overnight. We then poured the mixture into 1 M HCl aqueous solution (100 ml), and

performed extraction with ethyl acetate (3 X 25 ml). We then washed the combined organic phases with brine and dried them over MgSO<sub>4</sub>. We evaporated the solvents and purified the residue using Teledyne Isco (RediSepRf column) to yield a colorless oil. Yield 1.4g. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.38-3.45(m, 1 H), 3.35-1.14 (m, 22H), 0.88 (t, 3 H), MS 258.291.



*1-(Heptan-1-one)-1,12-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane:* We suspended pyridinium chlorochromate (PCC, 1.7 g, 7.71 mmol) in anhydrous DCM (50 ml). We then added a solution of 1-(heptan-1-yl)-1,12-dicarba-*closo*-dodecaborane (1.3 g, 5.04 mmol) in DCM (10 ml), and stirred the reaction mixture at room temperature overnight. Diethyl ether (50 ml) was added to the mixture followed by molecular sieves, and then stirred for 1 h. We decanted the supernatant and washed the insoluble residue with dry ether (3 x 20 ml). We then passed the combined organic phases through a short column of Celite followed by evaporation. We then purified the residue with Teledyne Isco (RediSepRf column) to yield a colorless oil, yield 1.2g. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.16 (m, 21H), 0.88 (t, 3 H), MS 256.189.



(*R*)-1-(1-hydroxyheptyl)- 1,12-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane: We added Borane-tetrahydrofuran complex (51 mL, 51 mmol, 1.0 M solution in THF, stabilized with 0.005 M N-isopropyl-N-methyl-tert-butylamine (NIMBA) followed by (R)-2-methyl-CBS- oxazaborolidine [(2-MeCBS] (5.1 mL, 5.1 mmol, 1.0 M solution in toluene) to 50 mL anhydrous THF. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 minutes. We then added 1-(Heptan-1-one)-1,12-dicarba-

*closo*-dodecaborane (1.3 g, 5.08 mmol) in 25 mL of anhydrous THF slowly over a period of 2 h at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. We then carefully quenched the mixture by the addition of 2.0 M HCl (80 mL) in small portions to control H<sub>2</sub> development. We added diethyl ether (100 mL) and washed the organic phase with brine and saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub>. We then dried the organic phase over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and evaporated. The residue was then purified by Teledyne Isco (RediSepRf column) to yield a colorless oil, yield 1.1g 81%. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.38-3.45(m, 1 H), 3.35-1.14 (m, 22H), 0.88 (t, 3 H), MS 258.291.



(*R*)-1-(1-benzyloxy)heptyl)- 1,12-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane: We added NaH (60% in mineral, 175 mg, 4.36 mmol) in one portion at 0 °C to a solution of (*R*)-1-(1-hydroxyheptyl)- 1,12-dicarbacloso-dodecaborane (900 mg, 3.49 mmol) in anhydrous DMF (10 ml), , and then stirred at same temperature for 30 min. We then added BnBr (746 mg, 4.36 mmol) and stirred the reaction mixture at 55°C for 3 h. We then cooled it down to room temperature and added methanol (0.5 ml) slowly, followed by dilution with ethyl acetate (50ml), washing with water and brine and drying with Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The solvents were then evaporated and the residue purified by Teledyne Isco (RediSepRf column) to yield a colorless oil, yield 1.1g 93%. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.28-7.35 (m, 5H), 4.63 (d, *J* = 11 Hz), 4.30 (d, *J* = 11 Hz), 3.12-3.23 (m, 1H), 2.75 (s, 1H), 0.98-1.40 (m, 10H), 0.96-3.30 (m, 10H), 0.87 (t, *J* = 7 Hz, 3H).



(*R*)-1-(1-(benzyloxy)heptyl)-12-(6-methoxypyridazin-3-yl)-1,12-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane: n-BuLi solution (2.5 M in hexanes, 274 µl, 0.68 mmol) at 0°C under Ar was added dropwise to a solution of (*R*)-1-(1-benzyloxy)heptyl)- 1,12-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane (197 mg, 0.56 mmol) in 1,2-dimethoxyethane (14.1 ml). We then stirred the mixture at room temperature for 1h, and added CuCl (68 mg, 0.68 mmol) in one portion. Stirring was continued at room temperature for 1 h. We then added pyridine (637 µl, 7.91 mmol), and 3-iodo-6-methoxypyridazine (161 mg, 0.68 mmol) sequentially and heated the mixture at 95°C for 18 h. Following cooling, the reaction mixture was diluted with Et<sub>2</sub>O and then stirred at room temperature for 3 h. We then filtered the insoluble materials through a short pad of silica, washed the filtrate with 10% aqueous Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and brine, and dried the organic layer over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, followed by filtration and concentration. We then purified the resulting residue using Combiflash (SiO<sub>2</sub>, RediSepRf 12 g gold column, gradient: EtOAc/Hex) to yield 108 mg (42%) of a clear colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.22-7.38 (m, 6H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (d, *J* = 11.0 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (d, *J* = 11.0 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (s, 3H), 3.23-3.29 (m, 1H), 1.41-3.66 (m, 10H), 1.01-1.44 (m, 10H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H).



(*R*)-1-(1-hydroxyheptyl)-12-(6-methoxypyridazin-3-yl)-1,12-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane: 1 M solution of BBr<sub>3</sub> in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (0.70 mL, 0.70 mmol) was added dropwise at 0 °C to a solution of (*R*)-1-(1-(benzyloxy)heptyl)-12-(6-methoxypyridazin-3-yl)-1,12-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane (91 mg, 0.20 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 ml). The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min and then poured into ice water and NaHCO<sub>3</sub>. We then extracted the mixture 3x with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (*note: 1-2% methanol was added to clarify the emulsion*). We washed the organic layer with brine, dried it over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and filtered and concentrated it *in vacuo*. We purified the resulting residue using Combiflash (SiO<sub>2</sub>, RediSepRf 4g column, gradient: EtOAc/Hex) to yield 61 mg (83%) of a white powder. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  7.25 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (s, 3H), 3.44-3.50 (m, 1H), 1.63-3.40 (m, 10H), 1.59 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 1.11-1.49 (m, 10H), 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H).



(*R*)-1-(1-hydroxyheptyl)-12-(6-hydroxypyridazin-3-yl)-1,12-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane : We added a solution of 4N HCl in Dioxane (0.5 mL) to (*R*)-1-(1-hydroxyheptyl)-12-(6-methoxypyridazin-3-yl)-1,12-dicarba-closo-dodecaborane (50 mg, 0.14 mmol). We then heated the mixture at 85 °C for 10 min, cooled it to room temperature, evaporated it to dryness with a gentle stream of argon, treated the residue with saturated aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and extracted it 3x with ethyl acetate. We then washed the organic layer with brine, dried it over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated it *in vacuo*. We purified the resulting residue using Combiflash (SiO<sub>2</sub>, RediSepRf 4g gold column, gradient: MeOH/DCM) to yield 38 mg (79%) of a white powder. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  10.79 (br s, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.40-3.50 (m, 1H), 1.66-3.30 (m, 10H), 1.62 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 1.11-1.50 (m, 10H), 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). MS (APCI-): *m/z* calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>27</sub>B<sub>10</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (M-H)<sup>-</sup> 351.3, found 351.1.

### NMR Spectra for carborane compounds

Molecular Weight: 348.53 Chemical Formula:  $C_{16}H_{32}B_{10}O$ 



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300MHz) of Compound (*R*)-1-(1-benzyloxy)heptyl)- 1,12-dicarba-*closo*-dodecaborane.



Molecular Weight: 456.63 Chemical Formula:  $C_{21}H_{36}B_{10}N_2O_2$ 



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300MHz) of Compound (*R*)-1-(1-(benzyloxy)heptyl)-12-(6-methoxypyridazin-3-yl)-1,12-dicarba-*closo*-dodecaborane.

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Molecular Weight: 366.51 Chemical Formula:  $C_{14}H_{30}B_{10}N_2O_2$ 



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400MHz) of Compound (*R*)-1-(1-hydroxyheptyl)-12-(6-methoxypyridazin-3-yl)-1,12-dicarba-*closo*-dodecaborane.



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400MHz) of Compound (*R*)-1-(1-hydroxyheptyl)-12-(6-hydroxypyridazin-3-yl)-1,12-dicarba-*closo*-dodecaborane (**MCSR-18-006**).

qRT-PCR							
	ESR2 F	ull Length	ESR2 A	ll Isoforms		ESR1	
Cell Line	p-value	95% CI	p-value	95% CI	p-value	95% CI	
MCF10A		0.862-1.420		0.994-1.131		0.664-1.408	
MCF7	0.7665	0.962-1.440	0.0524	2.999-3.998	0.0311	49770798-6034.474	
MCF7-TamR	0.0035	3.240-4.291	0.0106	24.990-37.228	0.0179	9606.865-10728.515	
MCF7-FasR	0.1196	1.502-1.526	0.0369	1.533-2.193	0.0227	429.422-493.742	
MCF7-CDK6 O/E	0.1411	1.797-3.375	0.001	17.438-23.868	0.0147	2616.120-2864.450	
MCF7-CDK4/6iR	0.0001	5.051-7.505	0.0018	31.568-54.566	0.0041	286.422-294.303	
T47D	0.0265	6.536-8.202	0.001	72.211-81.421	0.0425	11597.865-15091.175	
T47D-TamR	0.0009	4.698-5.294	0.0197	10.835-19.461	0.0203	3880.165-4398.077	
T47D-FasR	0.0617	3.377-5.023	0.0194	26.819-46.711	0.0072	3071.065-3209.830	
T47D-CDK4/6iR	0.0075	4.531-5.427	0.002	25.766-30.575	0.0331	7660.326-9398.086	
ZR-75-1	0.0001	19.319-20.873	0.0145	201.031-219.808	0.052	230.515-318.321	
MDA-MB-231	0.0404	3.616-4.985	0.0075	10.580-14.571	0.0496	1.577-1.896	
MDA-MB-468	0.0003	5.041-5.283	0.0761	3,191-4,695	0.0158	76.036-84.139	

**Supplemental Table 1.** P-values and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) were determined for expression of the indicated genes in each cell line compared with that in the normal mammary epithelial line MCF10A.

**Supplemental Table 2.** 95% confidence intervals (CIs) and p-values were determined for ERE-Luciferase activity in ER $\alpha$  and ER $\beta$  overexpressing cells treated with the ER $\beta$  agonists OSU-ERb-12 and LY500307. Left & middle columns: p-values were determined for each protein compared with corresponding untreated control. Right column: p-values were determined for each concentration of agonist treated ER $\beta$  overexpressing cells compared with that of ER $\alpha$ overexpressing cells.

ERE-Luciferase Activity								
OSU-ERb-12								
		ΕRα		ΕRβ	ERα vs ERβ			
Concentration (µmol/L)	p-value	95% CI	p-value	95% CI	p-value			
0		0.92-1.08		0.83-1.17	1			
0.01	0.1435	0.8296-0.9896	0.034	2.6241-4.2436	0.0232			
0.03	0.0002	3.4941-3.7271	0.0053	35.7287-47.0914	0.0059			
0.1	0.013	1.6786-1.9486	0.0012	37.5178-42.9054	0.0012			
0.3	0.0215	1.1673-1.2809	0.009	34.5350-49.9702	0.0092			
1	0.4306	0.9962-1.1483	0.0051	25.8500-33.8219	0.0048			
5	0.0003	0.4797-0.6667	0.0014	18.9422-21.4334	0.0012			
10	0.0263	0.3552-0.5607	0.0154	14.2808-22.4943	0.0129			
		LY	500307					
		ΕRα		ΕRβ	<b>ERα vs ER</b> β			
Concentration (µmol/L)	p-value	95% CI	p-value	95% CI	p-value			
0		0.92-1.08		0.83-1.17	1			
0.01	0.0009	2.0095-2.2620	0.0037	73.7896-93.6231	0.0038			
0.03	0.002	1.5881-1.7544	0.005	105.2260-107.7026	0.0051			
0.1	0.0096	1.6203-1.9066	0.0102	63.9673-95.3686	0.0102			
0.3	0.0029	1.8031-2.1447	0.0373	66.8043-80.2037	0.0372			
1	0.0441	1.4546-2.0269	0.0019	67.8878-80.1651	0.0017			
5	0.0221	1.4274-1.6103	0.0003	79.5217-79.9028	0.0014			
10	0.046	1.1926-1.3828	0.0011	66.5517-77.7049	0.0011			

Cytotoxicity							
		DSU-ERb-	-12		LY500307		
Cell Line	IC50 (µmol/L)	p-value	95% CI	IC50 (μmol/L)	p-value	95% CI	
MCF10A	13.96		7.186-19.64	30.53		23.983-41.510	
MCF7	11.22	0.0750	9.578-13.10	3.48	0.0225	3.396-3.444	
MCF7-TamR	9.27	0.0249	4.563-14.68	7.01	0.0286	6.678-7.215	
MCF7-FasR	4.86	0.0087	2.643-8.555	1.67	0.0200	1.449-1.917	
MCF7-CDK6 OE	10.75	0.0538	9.313-12.31	7.66	0.0288	6.766-8.409	
MCF7-CDK4/6iR	7.18	0.0089	5.391-9.214	6.89	0.0337	6.714-7.066	
T47D	10.43	0.0403	9.715-11.29	7.29	0.0297	7.260-7.560	
T47D-TamR	9.40	0.0301	9.439-9.461	6.66	0.0258	5.281-7.925	
T47D-FasR	9.48	0.0304	9.457-9.483	7.75	0.0307	7.693-7.973	
T47D-CDK4/6iR	9.08	0.0245	8.878-9.042	7.47	0.0281	6.230-7.838	

**Supplemental Table 3A.** IC50 values, p-values, and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) were determined for cell viability in cytotoxicity assay with OSU-ERb-12 and LY500307. P-value (for IC50) for each cell line was determined by comparing with MCF10A.

**Supplemental Table 3B.** P-values were determined for cell viability in cytotoxicity assay with OSU-ERb-12 and LY500307. P-value (for IC50) for each cell resistant cell line was determined by comparing with corresponding parental cell line (MCF7 or T47D).

Cytotoxicity (parental vs drug resistant)					
	OSU-ERb-12	LY500307			
Cell Line	p-value	p-value			
MCF7					
MCF7-TamR	0.0118	0.0014			
MCF7-FasR	0.0483	0.0043			
MCF7-CDK6 OE	0.1302	0.0106			
MCF7-CDK4/6iR	0.0031	0.0421			
T47D					
T47D-TamR	0.0415	0.3096			
T47D-FasR	0.0478	0.0915			
T47D-CDK4/6iR	0.0271	0.4181			

**Supplemental Table 4.** IC50 values, p-values , and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) were determined for viability of T47D cells in cytotoxicity assay with OSU-ERb-12, LY500307 and combination of drugs as indicated. P-value (for IC50) for each combination was determined by comparing with OSU-ERb-12 or LY500307 alone (as indicated).

T47D Cytotoxicity						
Drug	IC50 (µmol/L)	p-value	95% CI			
OSU-ERb-12	14.10		14.035-14.271			
OSU-ERb-12+ 0.5µmol/L 4OH-Tam	1.00	< 0.0001	0.6828-1.53			
OSU-ERb-12+ 0.25µmol/L Fas	4.47	0.0179	2.789-8.391			
OSU-ERb-12+ 1µmol/L Elacestrant	6.18	< 0.0001	5.450-7.024			
OSU-ERb-12+ 0.75µmol/L MPP	3.29	0.0038	2.646-4.170			
	<b>Cytotoxicity</b>					
Drug	IC50 (µmol/L)	p-value	95% CI			
OSU-ERb-12	10.41		9.715-11.29			
OSU-ERb-12+0.75µmol/L MPP	1.22	0.0005	0.8112-1.823			
LY500307	7.29		7.131-7.708			
LY500307+0.75µmol/L MPP	4.48	0.001	4.346-4.598			

**Supplemental Table 5.** Cell viability, Bliss prediction, synergy ratio, synergy 95% CI, and p-values were determined at each drug combination (in T47D cells) as indicated.

Bliss Independence Model							
Combination	Combination Viability	Bliss prediction	Synergy Ratio	Synergy 95% CI	p-value		
0.125 μmol/L OSU-ERb-12 + 0.025 μmol/L Tam	0.83	1.59	1.9	1.44-2.51	0.001		
0.250 μmol/L OSU-ERb-12 +0.0 50 μmol/L Tam	0.83	1.54	1.84	1.42-2.39	0.001		
0.500 umol/L OSU-ERb-12 + 0.100 umol/L Tam	0.86	1.8	2.1	1.66-2.65	<0.001		
1.25 umol/L OSU-ERb-12 + 0.250 umol/L Tam	0.81	1.75	2.16	1.52-3.05	0.002		
2.5 µmol/L OSU-ERb-12 + 0.500 µmol/L Tam	0.82	1 97	2 41	1 85-3 13	<0.001		
5 umol/L OSU-ERb-12 + 1 umol/L Tam	0.54	1.27	2.35	1.83-3.02	< 0.001		

**Supplemental Table 6.** IC50 values, p-values , and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) were determined for cell viability in cytotoxicity assay (in T47D cells) with OSU-ERb-12 alone, MCSR-18-006 alone and combination as indicated. P-value (for IC50) for OSU-ERb-12 alone/combination were determined by comparing with MCSR-18-006 alone or respective combination treatment.

T47D Cytotoxicity						
Drug	IC50 (μmol/L)	p-value	95% CI			
MCSR-18-006	33.68		30.82-36.64			
OSU-ERb-12	10.41	0.0026	9.715-11.29			
Т47D Су	totoxicity	-				
Drug	IC50 (µmol/L)	p-value	95% CI			
MCSR-18-006+0.5µmol/L 4-OH-Tam	39.23		36.56-41.01			
OSU-ERb-12+0.5µmol/L 4-OH-Tam	1.02	< 0.0001	0.6044-1.552			

**Supplemental Table 7.** p-values and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) were determined for proliferation of MCF7 and T47D cells. P-value was determined by comparing with the percentage of cell proliferation in each drug treatment with that of the corresponding control (in each cell line).

Proliferation						
N	ICF7		]	[47 <b>D</b>		
Treatment	p-value	95% CI	Treatment	p-value	95% CI	
Control		50.125-53.475	Control		46.355-48.978	
Fas 0.5µmol/L	0.002	18.996-23.504	Fas 0.5µmol/L	0.0033	26.163-28.237	
OSU-ERb-12 0.5µmol/L	0.0096	36.073-51.861	OSU-ERb-12 0.5 µmol/L	0.0087	54.730-61.137	
OSU-ERb-12 10µmol/L	0.0163	23.900-26.167	OSU-ERb-12 10 µmol/L	0.0074	12.722-20.678	
Control		24.232-28.035	Control		46.355-48.978	
Fas 0.5 µmol/L	0.001	12.180-13.687	Fas 0.5µmol/L	0.0189	26.796-33.871	
LY500307 0.5 µmol/L	0.2491	39.082-41.918	LY500307 0.5µmol/L	0.02	57.681-62.986	
LY500307- 3 µmol/L	0.0028	4.483-10.250	LY500307- 7µmol/L	0.0154	30.541-35.192	

**Supplemental Table 8.** p-values and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) were determined for each phase of cell cycle in OSU-ERb-12- and LY500307-treated MCF7 and T47D cells. P-value for each phase for each treatment was determined by comparing with the percentage of cells present in the corresponding control (DMSO treated) cells.

Cell Cycle								
	-			MCF7			-	
	Su	ıb G0		G0/G1		S		G2/M
Treatment	p-value	95% CI	p-value	95% CI	p-value	95% CI	p-value	95% CI
Control		-		66.396-67.338		13.971-15.896		15.313-17.354
OSU-ERb-12 0.5µmol/L	-	-	0.0200	55.239-61.028	0.0059	21.098-21.569	0.0890	16.706-21.561
OSU-ERb-12 11µmol/L	1.0000	0.087-0.313	0.0038	75.655-78.145	0.0347	9.219-11.581	0.0020	10.239-11.694
LY500307 0.5µmol/L	0.2254	0.187-0.413	0.0191	49.863-57.937	0.0493	19.719-24.414	0.0097	20.821-21.512
LY500307 3µmol/L	0.1221	0.338-1.195	0.4598	66.517-68.216	0.2556	14.843-16.090	0.2965	15.172-15.695
				T47D				
	Su	ıb G0		G0/G1	s		G2/M	
Treatment	p-value	95% CI	p-value	95% CI	p-value	95% CI	p-value	95% CI
Control		0.305-1.162		81.475-82.858		6.794-7.139		7.7664-9.803
OSU-ERb-12 0.5µmol/L	0.1942	1.084-4.382	0.0036	74.582-76.685	0.0015	11.931-12.402	1.0000	7.719-9.748
OSU-ERb-12 10µmol/L	0.2799	0.317-3.017	0.6010	84.704-82.096	0.0130	8.903-9.630	0.0749	6.199-7.867
LY500307 0.5µmol/L	0.2107	0.956-4.244	0.0018	73.166-75.834	0.0004	13.168-13.299	0.8758	7.779-9.954
LY500307 7µmol/L	0.0068	5.781-6.819	0.0079	42.248-53.019	0.0060	17.673-21.860	0.0135	15.508-17.092

**Supplemental Table 9.** p-values and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) were determined for induction of apoptosis in OSU-ERb-12- and LY500307-treated MCF7 and T47D cells. P-value (for apoptosis induction) for each treatment was determined by comparing with the percentage of apoptotic cells present in the corresponding control (DMSO treated) cells.

Apoptosis							
MCI	F <b>7</b>		T47D				
Treatment	p-value	95% CI	Treatment	p-value	95% CI		
Control		4.56-6.64	Control		5.16-7.84		
OSU-ERb-12 (0.5µmol/L)	0.4	6.03-7.97	OSU-ERb-12 (0.5µmol/L	0.3	4.77-7.29		
OSU-ERb-12 (10µmol/L)	0.04	7.45-9.95	OSU-ERb-12 (10µmol/L)	0.0226	12-13.9		
Control		4.56-6.64	Control		2.23-4.17		
LY500307 (0.5µmol/L)	0.03	6.03-7.97	LY500307 (0.5µmol/L)	0.003	8.88-11.4		
LY500307 (3µmol/L)	0.015	7.45-9.95	LY500307 (7µmol/L)	0.0005	9.26-13		

**Supplemental Table 10.** p-values and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) were determined for assessing the colony forming ability in OSU-ERb-12- and LY500307-treated MCF7 and T47D cells. P-value (for percentage of colony formation) for each treatment was determined by comparing with the percentage of that in the corresponding control (DMSO treated) cells.

<b>Colony Formation Assay</b>						
		MCF7	T47D			
Treatment	p-value	95% CI	p-value	95% CI		
Control		560.6272-622.0394		409.86-532.14		
OSU-ERb-12						
(3µmol/L)	0.050162	502.12-515.88	0.180841	533.9786-569.3546		
OSU-ERb-12						
(5µmol/L)	0.001899	315.0875-350.2457	0.011064	107.4305-227.2361		
LY500307 (3µmol/L)	0.003087	96.5738-152.7594	0.014908	316.7503-437.9163		
LY500307 (5µmol/L)	0.000701	0	0.005	21.04-24.93		

**Supplemental Table 11.** p-values and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) were determined for assessing the cell migration ability in OSU-ERb-12- and LY500307treated MCF7 cells. P-value (for percentage of cell migration) for each treatment was determined by comparing with the percentage of that in the corresponding control (DMSO treated) cells.

Cell Migration Assay						
	24 Hours					
Treatment	p-value	95% CI				
Control		91.76-108.24				
OSU-ERb-12 (5µmol/L)	0.0004368	61.0140-69.5791				
OSU-ERb-12 (10µmol/L)	0.0026058	52.0192-62.1763				
LY500307 (5µmol/L)	8.438E-06	23.4626-36.1402				
LY500307 (10µmol/L)	2.756E-05	5.1938-11.0745				

Supplemental Table 12: Patient demographics.

	Overall (n=37)		
Age at diagnosis			
Median [min, max]	56 [35, 169]		
Race			
Asian	1 (3%)		
Black or African American	1 (3%)		
White	35 (95%)		
Ethnicity			
NOT Hispanic or Latino	37 (100%)		
BMI			
Median [min, max]	28 [19, 47]		
Stage (pathologic)			
I	5 (14%)		
П	8 (22%)		
ш	15 (41%)		
IV	7 (19%)		
Unknown	2 (5%)		
Grade			
High grade (3)	7 (19%)		
Intermediate grade (2)	23 (62%)		
Low grade (1)	4 (11%)		
Unknown	3 (8%)		
ER status			
Positive	37 (100%)		
PR status			
Negative	4 (11%)		
Positive	33 (89%)		
HER2 status			
Equivocal	2 (5%)		
Negative	34 (92%)		
Positive	1 (3%)		
Chemotherapy			
No	8 (22%)		
Yes	29 (78%)		
Hormone therapy			
No	1 (3%)		
Yes	36 (97%)		
Targeted therapy			
No	20 (54%)		
Yes	17 (46%)		



**Supplemental Figure S1.** Development of resistance in ER $\alpha$ + breast cancer cells after chronic exposure to estrogen receptor antagonists and CDK4/6 inhibitor. Resistance was induced by chronic exposure of MCF7 and T47D cell lines to estrogen receptor antagonists and CDK4/6 inhibitor. Control cells were treated with DMSO in parallel. Control and resistant cells were treated for 72 hours with different concentrations of the drugs as indicated and the cell viability was measured. The percentage of viable cells relative to DMSO (control) are shown as mean  $\pm$  SD. All the assays were performed in quadruplicate and repeated twice. Treatment with: **A**, 4-OH-tamoxifen **B**, fulvestrant **C**, abemaciclib.



**Supplemental Figure S2.** Chemical Structures of the inhibitors used in the study



**Supplemental Figure S3.** ER $\alpha$ /ER $\beta$  driven ERE-Luciferase promoter activity is unaffected by MCSR-18-006, the chemical analog of the ER $\beta$  specific agonist OSU-ERb-12. The cell viability was measured in extracts prepared from human full-length ER $\alpha$  or ER $\beta$  expressing Sf9 cells in presence of vehicle or different concentrations of estrogen (E2) or MCSR-18-006 as indicated. Fold change in cell viability was determined by comparing with the vehicle control.

# Radio-ligand Displacement Assay DES (+) control

## **Reference Compound**

Reference							
Assay Name	Compound	IC <sub>50</sub>					
Estrogen ERa	Diethylstilbestrol	1.32 nmol/L					
Estrogen ERβ	Diethylstilbestrol	1.06 nmol/L					
ERα: IC50 = 1.32 nm ERβ: IC50 = 1.06 nm							

## Radio-ligand Displacement Assay MCSR-18-006: Test Compound

## Test Compound Experimental Results

Supplemental Figure S4. Radioligand displacement assay demonstrated insignificant binding of the non-specific chemical analog MCSR-18-006,  $ER\alpha/ER\beta$ . to Recombinant human full-length ERa and ER $\beta$  were expressed in Sf9 cells, prepared the cell lysates, and the relative binding affinity of MCSR-18-006 was measured by radiolabeled <sup>3</sup>H estradiol competition binding assays. The IC50 the reference compound diethylstilbestrol was more than 100fold less compared to MCSR-18-006 towards both  $ER\alpha$  and  $ER\beta$ . The binding affinities (Kis) of the reference compound for ER $\alpha$  and ER $\beta$  were 0.38 nmol/L and 0.22 nmol/L. The binding affinity value of MCSR-18-006 for ER $\alpha$  or ER $\beta$  could not be determined.

Assay Name	Batch *	Spec.	Rep.	Conc.	% Inh.	IC <sub>50</sub> *	Ki
Estrogen ERa	461679	hum	2	100 µmol/L	24	>100 µmol/L	
		hum	2	10 µmol/L	6		
		hum	2	1 µmol/L	3		
		hum	2	0.1 µmol/L	8		
		hum	2	10 nmol/L	-6		
		hum	2	1 nmol/L	3		
		hum	2	0.1 nmol/L	1		
		hum	2	10 pmol/L	4		
Estrogen ERβ	461680	hum	2	100 µmol/L	39	>100 µmol/L	
		hum	2	10 µmol/L	8		
		hum	2	1 µmol/L	-2		
		hum	2	0.1 µmol/L	0		
		hum	2	10 nmol/L	-7		
		hum	2	1 nmol/L	5		
		hum	2	0.1 nmol/L	4		
		hum	2	10 pmol/L	-3		



**Supplemental Figure S5. A**, Schematic diagram of primer design for qRT-PCR amplification of full length and all isoforms of *ESR2* gene. **B**, Agarose gel electrophoresis of qRT-PCR products of ESR2 full length, all isoforms, ESR1, and GAPDH showing a single band (of projected length) of corresponding gene product demonstrated specificity of the primers used in the study. qRT-PCR products of the indicated genes with the RNA isolated from the cell lines were separated on 2% agarose gels, stained with Gel Green dye, and photographed. Each assay was done in triplicate and repeated twice. Similar results were obtained. A representative picture of each gene product has been shown.





**Supplemental Figure S6.** Less selective ER $\beta$  agonists did not reveal cytotoxicity in ER $\alpha$ + breast cancer cell lines. Cell viability assays were performed after 7 days of treatment of MCF7 and T47D cells with the agonists. Cell viability was determined relative to the viable cells upon treatment with the vehicle control (DMSO). Each assay was performed in quadruplicate and repeated twice. Data was presented as mean <u>+</u> SD. Similar results were obtained. Representative data has been presented. Treatment with: **A**, DPN **B**, AC186 **C**, WAY200070.



**Supplemental Figure S7.** Specific ER $\beta$  agonists OSU-ERb-12 and LY500307 inhibited proliferation of ER $\alpha$ + breast cancer cells. Cell proliferation was measured after treatment with DMSO (control), fulvestrant, OSU-ERb-12 or LY500307 for 3 days. Washed cells were processed and proliferation was measured by FACS analysis as described in detail before (Materials and Methods). Each experiment was done in triplicate and repeated twice. Similar results were obtained. A representative profile has been presented. **A**, MCF7 **B**, T47D.

# **Cell Cycle Analysis**

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**Supplemental Figure S8.** Specific ER $\beta$  agonists OSU-ERb-12 and LY500307 caused S and/or G2/M phase arrest in ER $\alpha$ + breast cancer cells. Cell cycle analyses were performed after treatment of cells with DMSO (control), OSU-ERb-12 or LY500307 for 3 days. Washed cells were processed and cell cycle profile was measured by FACS analysis as described in detail before (Materials and Methods). Each experiment was done in triplicate and repeated twice. Similar results were obtained. A representative profile has been presented. **A**, MCF7 **B**, T47D.





**Supplemental Figure S9.** Specific ER $\beta$  agonists OSU-ERb-12 and LY500307 induced apoptosis in ER $\alpha$ + breast cancer cells. Apoptosis was measured after treatment of cells with DMSO (control), OSU-ERb-12 or LY500307 for 48 hours. Washed cells were processed, stained and apoptosis was measured by FACS analysis as described in detail before (Materials and Methods). Each experiment was done in triplicate and repeated twice. Similar results were obtained. A representative profile has been presented. **Top**, MCF7 **Bottom**, T47D.