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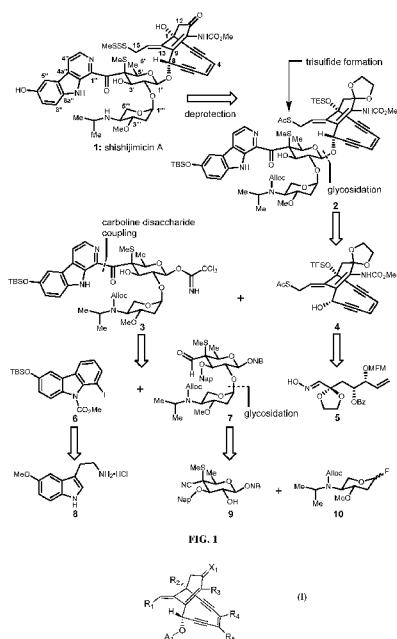
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(54) Title: TOTAL SYNTHESIS OF SHISHIJIMICIN A AND ANALOGS THEREOF

(57) Abstract: In one aspect, the present disclosure provides shishijimicin analogs of the formula: wherein the variables are as defined herein. In another aspect, the present disclosure also provides methods of preparing the compounds disclosed herein. In another aspect, the present disclosure also provides pharmaceutical compositions and methods of use of the compounds disclosed herein. Additionally, antibody drug conjugates of the compounds are also provided.





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DESCRIPTION

TOTAL SYNTHESIS OF SHISHIJIMICIN A AND ANALOGS THEREOF

5 This application claims the benefit of priority to United States Provisional Application Serial No. 62/186,191 filed on June 29, 2015, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.

BACKGROUND

1. Field

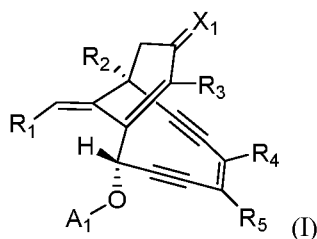
10 This disclosure relates to the fields of medicine, pharmacology, chemistry, and oncology. In particular, new compounds, compositions, methods of treatment, and methods of synthesis relating to analogs of shishijimicin are disclosed.

2. Related Art

15 Naturally occurring substances provided the first medications to treat disease and continue to be a rich source and inspiration for drug discovery and development (Nicolaou & Montagnon, 2008 and Nicolaou, Angew, 2014). Several of the compounds have proven to be cytotoxic and thus are useful for treating cancer. While these compounds exhibit significant cytotoxicity, many of the compounds have failed to make it to the clinic due to the severe side effects. Since the development of antibody drug conjugates (ADCs), such as Mylotarg®, a new paradigm has developed for using these highly toxic
20 compounds which had otherwise failed to make it to the clinic (Lee *et al.*, 1987a and Lee *et al.*, 1987b). These compounds could be conjugated to an antibody as a payload which delivers these compounds to the site of the cancer (Wu & Senter, 2005 and Chari *et al.*, 2014). Shishijimicin A (1, **FIG. 1**) is a rare marine natural product endowed with extremely potent antitumor properties ($IC_{50} = 0.48$ pM against P388 leukemia cells) (Oku *et al.*, 2003). Due to potent antitumor properties, shishijimicin A and analogs thereof
25 are valuable potential payloads for antibody drug conjugates but this potential has been hindered by the lack of shishijimicin. Thus, new methods of preparing shishijimicin and analogs thereof which may be used as anticancer agents or as payload for antibody drug conjugates are needed.

SUMMARY

The present disclosure provides analogs of shishijimicin which may be useful in the treatment of cancer. Thus, there is provided compounds of the formula:



5 wherein:

R₁ is -alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃ or -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃; wherein:

A₃ is hydrogen or alkyl_(C≤12), cycloalkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), alkynyl_(C≤12), aryl_(C≤12), heteroaryl_(C≤12), aralkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; and

10 x is 1, 2, or 3;

R₂ is hydroxy, or alkoxy_(C≤8), acyloxy_(C≤8), or substituted version of either of these groups;

R₃ is NHC(Y₂)R₁₆, wherein:

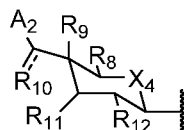
Y₂ is O, NH, or NOH; and

15 R₁₆ is alkoxy_(C≤8), alkenyloxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), or substituted version of any of these groups;

R₄ and R₅ are each independently selected from hydrogen and halo;

X₁ is O, S, or NH;

A₁ is -alkanediyl_(C≤12)-C(O)-A₂ or -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤12)-C(O)-A₂, or



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wherein:

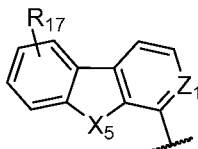
X₄ is -CH₂- or -O-;

R₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), cycloalkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), or substituted cycloalkyl_(C≤8);

25 R₉ is hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, mercapto, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylthio_(C≤8), substituted alkylthio_(C≤8);

R_{10} is hydroxy, oxo, or R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} and is $-\text{OCHA}_4\text{O}-$; provided that when R_{10} is oxo then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a double bond, and when R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a single bond;

5 wherein A_4 is $\text{aryl}_{(C\leq 12)}$ or substituted $\text{aryl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, or



wherein:

X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

10 R_{18} is hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{acyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{acyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$;

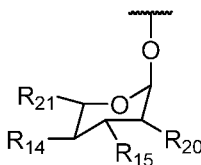
Z_1 is CH or N; and

R_{17} is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo, or nitro; or $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups;

15 R_{11} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$;

R_{12} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, or

$-\text{O}-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C\leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $-\text{OC}(\text{O})-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C\leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C\leq 12)}$, or $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{NH}-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C\leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C\leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups; or



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wherein:

R_{14} is amino or hydroxy; or $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{alkylamino}_{(C\leq 12)}$, dialkylamino $_{(C\leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups, or $-\text{NR}_a\text{R}_b$, wherein:

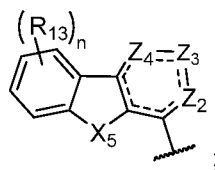
25 R_a and R_b are each hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{alkenyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, substituted $\text{alkenyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C\leq 6)}-\text{R}_c$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C\leq 6)}-\text{R}_c$,

–alkanediyl_(C≤6)–R_c, or a substituted version of either of these group; wherein:

R_c is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxyl, acyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), alkylsulfonyl_(C≤8), arylsulfonyl_(C≤8), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R₁₅ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8);

R₂₀ and R₂₁ are hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8);



A₂ is hydrogen or

wherein:

X₅ is O, S, or NR₁₈; wherein:

R₁₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), acyl_(C≤8), or substituted acyl_(C≤8);

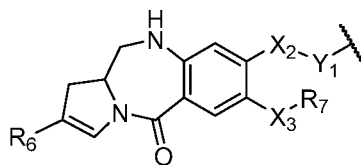
n is 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5;

Z₂, Z₃, and Z₄ are each independently N or CR₁₃; and

R₁₃ is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, nitro, or mercapto;

alkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), acyloxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups; or

A₁ is



wherein:

Y₁ is alkanediyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8);

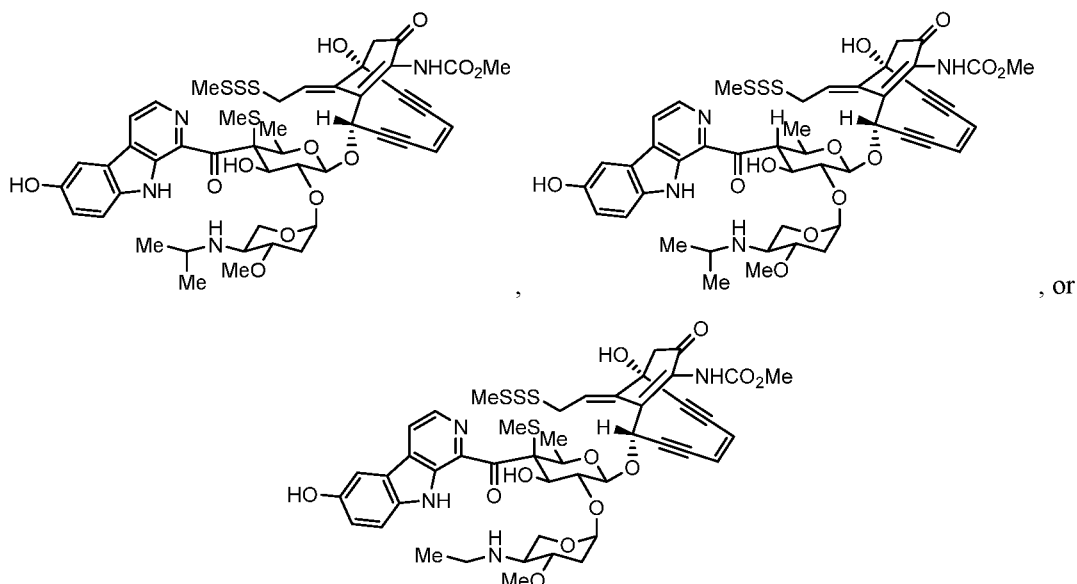
X₂ and X₃ are each independently selected from –O–, –S–, or –NR₁₉–, wherein:

R₁₉ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤6), or substituted alkyl_(C≤6);

R_6 is aryl_(C≤18), heteroaryl_(C≤18), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

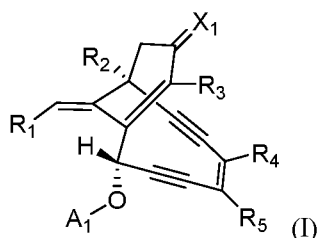
R_7 is alkyl_(C≤12) or substituted alkyl_(C≤12);

provided that the compound is not:



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

In some embodiments, the compound is further defined as:



10 wherein:

R_1 is -alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃ or -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃; wherein:

A₃ is hydrogen or alkyl_(C≤12), cycloalkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), alkynyl_(C≤12), aryl_(C≤12), heteroaryl_(C≤12), aralkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; and

x is 1, 2, or 3;

15 R_2 is hydroxy, or alkoxy_(C≤8), acyloxy_(C≤8), or substituted version of either of these groups;

R_3 is NHC(Y₂)R₁₆, wherein:

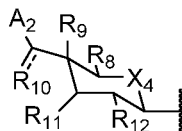
Y₂ is O, NH, or NOH; and

R₁₆ is alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), or substituted version of any of these groups;

R₄ and R₅ are each independently selected from hydrogen and halo;

X₁ is O, S, or NH;

A₁ is –alkanediyl_(C≤12)–C(O)–A₂ or –substituted alkanediyl_(C≤12)–C(O)–A₂, or



5 wherein:

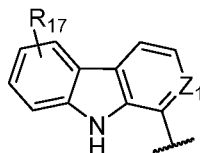
X₄ is –CH₂– or –O–;

R₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), cycloalkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), or substituted cycloalkyl_(C≤8);

R₉ is hydrogen, hydroxy, mercapto, alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylthio_(C≤8), substituted alkylthio_(C≤8);

10 R₁₀ is oxo or R₁₀ is taken together with R₁₁ and is –OCHA₄O–; provided that when R₁₀ is oxo then R₁₀ and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a double bond, and when R₁₀ is taken together with R₁₁ then R₁₀ and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a single bond;

wherein A₄ is aryl_(C≤12) or substituted aryl_(C≤12), or



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wherein:

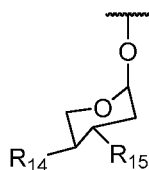
Z₁ is CH or N; and

R₁₇ is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo, or nitro; or alkyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

20 R₁₁ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8);

R₁₂ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or

–O–alkanediyl_(C≤8)–alkylamino_(C≤12), –OC(O)–alkanediyl_(C≤8)–alkylamino_(C≤12), or
–OC(O)NH–alkanediyl_(C≤8)–alkylamino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; or

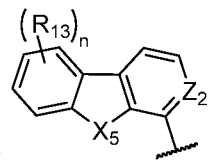


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wherein:

R_{14} is amino or hydroxy; or alkoxy_(C≤12), alkylamino_(C≤12), dialkyl-amino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups;

R_{15} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8);



5 A_2 is hydrogen, heteroaryl_(C≤18), substituted heteroaryl_(C≤18), or

wherein:

X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

R_{18} is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), acyl_(C≤8), or substituted acyl_(C≤8);

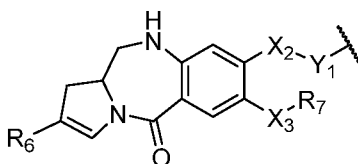
n is 1, 2, 3, or 4;

10 Z_2 is N or CH; and

R_{13} is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro;

alkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), acyloxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups; or

A_1 is



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wherein:

Y_1 is alkanediyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8);

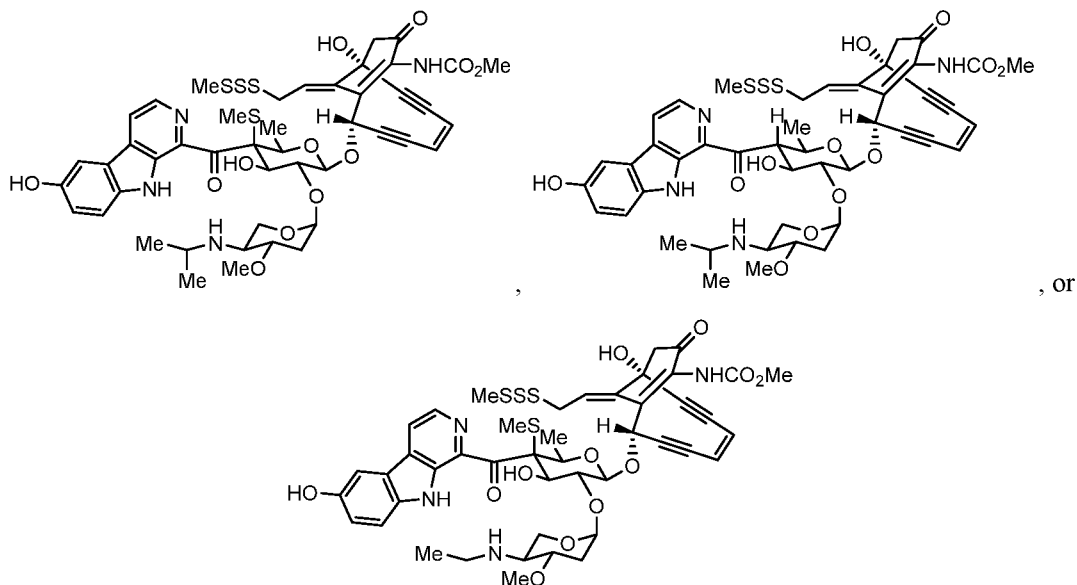
X_2 and X_3 are each independently selected from $-O-$, $-S-$, or $-NR_{19}-$, wherein:

R_{19} is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤6), or substituted alkyl_(C≤6);

20 R_6 is aryl_(C≤18), heteroaryl_(C≤18), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

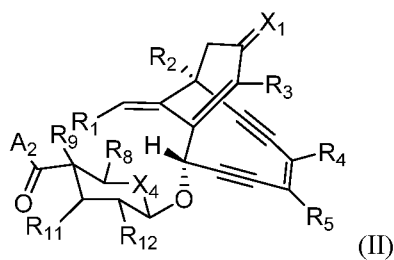
R_7 is alkyl_(C≤12) or substituted alkyl_(C≤12);

provided that the compound is not:

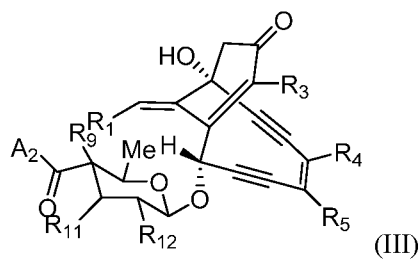


or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

In some embodiments, the compound is further defined as:

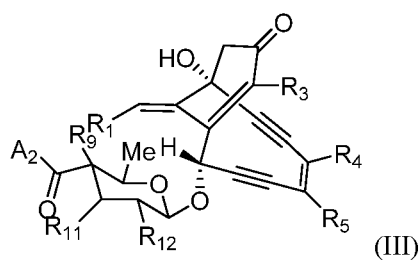


wherein: X_1 , X_4 , R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_8 , R_9 , R_{11} , R_{12} , and A_2 are as defined above. In some embodiments, the compound is further defined as:



wherein: R_1 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_9 , R_{11} , R_{12} , and A_2 are as defined above.

In some embodiments, the compound is further defined as:



wherein:

R_1 is $-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C\leq 8)}-(S)_x-A_3$ or $-\text{substituted alkanediyl}_{(C\leq 8)}-(S)_x-A_3$; wherein:

A_3 is $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{cycloalkyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{acyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups;
and

5 x is 1, 2, or 3;

R_3 is $\text{NHC(O)}R_{16}$, wherein:

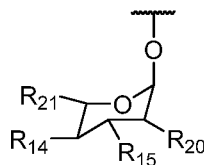
R_{16} is $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{alkenyloxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{alkylamino}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{dialkylamino}_{(C\leq 8)}$, or substituted version of any of these groups;

R_4 and R_5 are each independently selected from hydrogen and halo;

10 R_9 is hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, mercapto, $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{alkylthio}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkylthio}_{(C\leq 8)}$;

R_{11} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$;

R_{12} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, or



15 wherein:

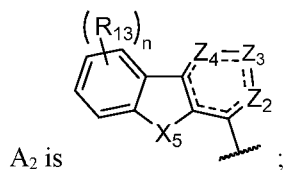
R_{14} is amino or hydroxy; or $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{alkylamino}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{dialkyl-amino}_{(C\leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups, or $-\text{NR}_a\text{R}_b$, wherein:

R_a and R_b are each hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{alkenyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, substituted $\text{alkenyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $-\text{C(O)O-alkanediyl}_{(C\leq 6)}-\text{R}_c$, $-\text{C(O)-alkanediyl}_{(C\leq 6)}-\text{R}_c$, $-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C\leq 6)}-\text{R}_c$, or a substituted version of either of these group; wherein:

R_c is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxyl, $\text{acyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{alkylamino}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{dialkylamino}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{alkylsulfonyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{arylsulfonyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups;

25 R_{15} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$;

R_{20} and R_{21} are hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$;



wherein:

X₅ is O, S, or NR₁₈; wherein:

R₁₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), acyl_(C≤8), or substituted acyl_(C≤8);

5 n is 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5;

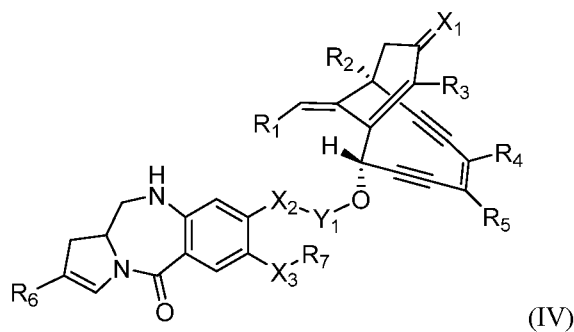
Z₂, Z₃, and Z₄ are each independently N or CR₁₃; and

R₁₃ is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, nitro, or mercapto;

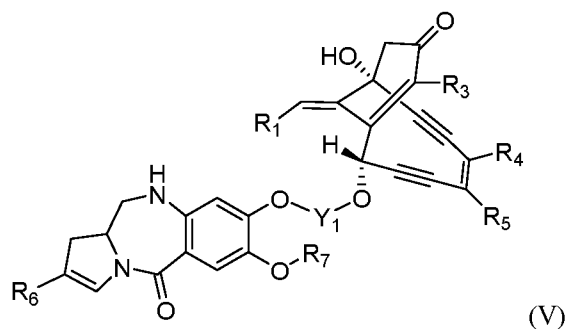
alkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), acyloxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups; or

10 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

In other embodiments, the compound is further defined as:

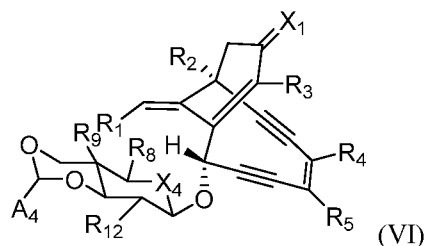


wherein: X₁, X₂, X₃, R₁, R₂, R₃, R₄, R₅, R₆, R₇, and Y₁ are as defined above. In some embodiments, the compound is further defined as:

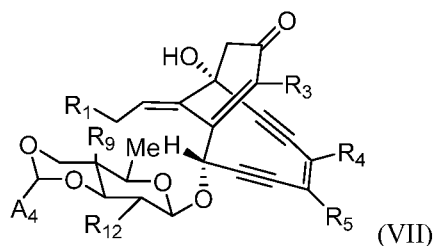


15 wherein: R₁, R₂, R₃, R₄, R₅, R₆, R₇, and Y₁ are as defined above.

In other embodiments, the compound is further defined as:



wherein: X_1 , X_4 , R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_8 , R_9 , R_{12} , and A_3 are as defined above. In some embodiments, the compound is further defined as:



5 wherein: R_1 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_9 , R_{12} , and A_3 are as defined above.

In some embodiments, R_1 is $-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 8)}-(S)_x-A_3$, wherein:

A_3 is hydrogen,

alkenyl $_{(C \leq 12)}$, alkenyl $_{(C \leq 12)}$, alkynyl $_{(C \leq 12)}$, aryl $_{(C \leq 12)}$, heteroaryl $_{(C \leq 12)}$, aralkyl $_{(C \leq 12)}$, acyl $_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups; and

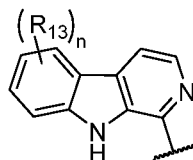
10 x is 2 or 3.

In some embodiments, the alkanediyl $_{(C \leq 8)}$ is $-\text{CH}_2-$. In some embodiments, A_3 is alkyl $_{(C \leq 12)}$ or substituted alkyl $_{(C \leq 12)}$. In some embodiments, A_3 is methyl. In other embodiments, A_3 is acyl $_{(C \leq 12)}$ or substituted acyl $_{(C \leq 12)}$. In some embodiments, A_3 is acetyl. In some embodiments, x is 2. In some embodiments, x is 3.

15 In some embodiments, R_2 is hydroxy. In some embodiments, R_3 is $\text{NHC(O)}R_{16}$, wherein: R_{16} is alkoxy $_{(C \leq 8)}$, alkylamino $_{(C \leq 8)}$, dialkylamino $_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted version of any of these groups. In some embodiments, R_{16} is alkoxy $_{(C \leq 8)}$ or substituted alkoxy $_{(C \leq 8)}$. In some embodiments, R_{16} is alkoxy $_{(C \leq 8)}$. In some embodiments, R_{16} is methoxy or ethoxy. In other embodiments, R_3 is $\text{NHC(NH)}R_{16}$, wherein: R_{16} is alkoxy $_{(C \leq 8)}$, alkylamino $_{(C \leq 8)}$, dialkylamino $_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted version of any of these groups. In some
20 embodiments, R_{16} is alkylamino $_{(C \leq 8)}$ or substituted alkylamino $_{(C \leq 8)}$. In some embodiments, R_{16} is alkylamino $_{(C \leq 8)}$. In some embodiments, R_{16} is methylamino. In some embodiments, R_4 is hydrogen. In other embodiments, R_4 is halo. In some embodiments, R_4 is fluoro. In some embodiments, R_5 is hydrogen. In other embodiments, R_5 is halo. In some embodiments, R_5 is fluoro. In some embodiments, X_1 is O.

In some embodiments, A_1 is $-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 12)}-\text{C(O)}-A_2$ or $-\text{substituted alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 12)}-\text{C(O)}-A_2$.

25 In some embodiments, the alkanediyl $_{(C \leq 12)}$ or substituted alkanediyl $_{(C \leq 12)}$ of A_1 is $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$. In some embodiments, A_2 is:

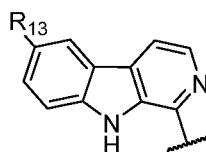


wherein:

n is 1 or 2; and

R₁₃ is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro; or alkyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), or
 5 a substituted version of either of these groups.

In some embodiments, n is 1. In some embodiments, A₂ is further defined as:

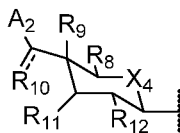


wherein:

R₁₃ is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro; or alkyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), or
 10 a substituted version of either of these groups.

In some embodiments, R₁₃ is hydroxy.

In some embodiments, A₁ is:



wherein:

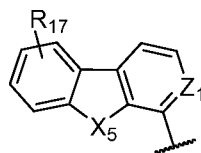
15 X₄ is -CH₂- or -O-;

R₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), cycloalkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), or substituted cycloalkyl_(C≤8);

R₉ is hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, mercapto, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted
 alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylthio_(C≤8), substituted alkylthio_(C≤8);

R₁₀ is hydroxy, oxo, or R₁₀ is taken together with R₁₁ and is -OCHA₄O-; provided that when R₁₀
 20 is oxo then R₁₀ and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a double bond, and
 when R₁₀ is taken together with R₁₁ then R₁₀ and the carbon atom to which it is bound are
 joined by a single bond;

wherein A₄ is aryl_(C≤12) or substituted aryl_(C≤12), or



wherein:

X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

R_{18} is hydrogen, $alkyl_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted $alkyl_{(C \leq 8)}$, $acyl_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted $acyl_{(C \leq 8)}$;

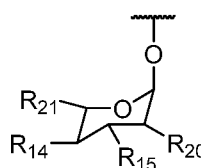
Z_1 is CR_{17} or N; and

R_{17} is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo, or nitro; or $alkyl_{(C \leq 12)}$, $alkoxy_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R_{11} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$;

R_{12} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, or

$-O-alkanediy l_{(C \leq 8)}-alkylamino_{(C \leq 12)}$, $-OC(O)-alkanediy l_{(C \leq 8)}-alkylamino_{(C \leq 12)}$, or $-OC(O)NH-alkanediy l_{(C \leq 8)}-alkylamino_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups; or



wherein:

R_{14} is amino or hydroxy; or $alkoxy_{(C \leq 12)}$, $alkylamino_{(C \leq 12)}$, $dialkyl-amino_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups, or $-NR_aR_b$, wherein:

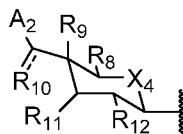
R_a and R_b are each hydrogen, $alkyl_{(C \leq 12)}$, substituted $alkyl_{(C \leq 12)}$, $alkenyl_{(C \leq 12)}$, substituted $alkenyl_{(C \leq 12)}$, $-C(O)O-alkanediy l_{(C \leq 6)}-R_c$, $-C(O)-alkanediy l_{(C \leq 6)}-R_c$, $-alkanediy l_{(C \leq 6)}-R_c$, or a substituted version of either of these group; wherein:

R_c is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxyl, $acyl_{(C \leq 8)}$, $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, $alkylamino_{(C \leq 8)}$, $dialkylamino_{(C \leq 8)}$, $alkylsulfonyl_{(C \leq 8)}$, $arylsulfonyl_{(C \leq 8)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R_{15} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$;

R_{20} and R_{21} are hydrogen, $alkyl_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted $alkyl_{(C \leq 8)}$, $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$.

In some embodiments, A₁ is:



wherein:

X₄ is -CH₂- or -O-;

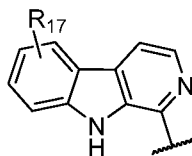
5 R₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), or substituted alkyl_(C≤8);

R₉ is hydrogen, alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylthio_(C≤8), substituted alkylthio_(C≤8);

R₁₀ is oxo or R₁₀ is taken together with R₁₁ and is -OCHA₄O-; provided that when R₁₀ is oxo then R₁₀ and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a double bond, and when R₁₀ is taken together with R₁₁ then R₁₀ and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a single bond;

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wherein A₄ is aryl_(C≤12) or substituted aryl_(C≤12), or



wherein:

R₁₇ is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo,

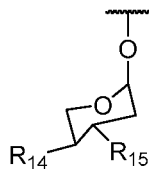
15 alkyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R₁₁ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8);

R₁₂ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or

-O-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12), -OC(O)-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12), or
-OC(O)NH-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; or

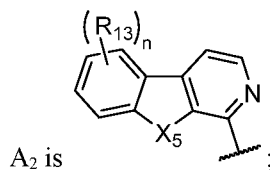
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wherein:

R₁₄ is alkoxy_(C≤12), alkylamino_(C≤12), or dialkylamino_(C≤12);

R₁₅ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8);



wherein:

X₅ is O, S, or NR₁₈; wherein:

R₁₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), acyl_(C≤8), or substituted acyl_(C≤8);

5 n is 1, 2, 3, or 4;

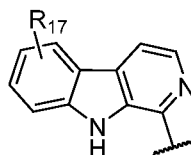
R₁₃ is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro;

alkyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups.

In some embodiments, X₄ is -O-. In other embodiments, X₄ is -CH₂-. In some embodiments, R₈ is hydrogen. In other embodiments, R₈ is alkyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkyl_(C≤8). In some embodiments, R₈ is methyl. In other embodiments, R₉ is alkoxy_(C≤8) or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8). In some embodiments, R₉ is methoxy. In other embodiments, R₉ is alkylthio_(C≤8) or substituted alkylthio_(C≤8). In some embodiments, R₉ is -SCH₃. In some embodiments, R₁₀ is oxo.

In some embodiments, R₁₀ is taken together with R₁₁ and is -OCHA₄O-, wherein:

A₄ is aryl_(C≤12) or substituted aryl_(C≤12), or

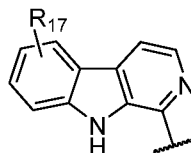


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wherein:

R₁₇ is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo, or nitro; or alkyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups.

In some embodiments, A₄ is aryl_(C≤12) or substituted aryl_(C≤12). In some embodiments, A₄ is aryl_(C≤12). In some embodiments, A₄ is phenyl. In other embodiments, A₄ is substituted aryl_(C≤12). In some embodiments, A₄ is 4-hydroxyphenyl. In other embodiments, A₄ is:



wherein:

R₁₇ is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo, or nitro; or alkyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups.

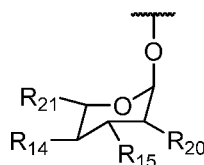
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In some embodiments, R_{17} is hydroxy. In some embodiments, R_{11} is hydrogen. In other embodiments, R_{11} is hydroxy. In some embodiments, R_{12} is hydrogen. In other embodiments, R_{12} is alkoxy_(C≤8) or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8). In some embodiments, R_{12} is methoxy.

In other embodiments, R_{12} is $-O$ -alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12) or a substituted version thereof.

- 5 In some embodiments, the alkanediyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8) of R_{12} is $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$. In some embodiments, the alkylamino_(C≤12) or substituted alkylamino_(C≤12) of R_{12} is $-\text{NHCH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$. In some embodiments, R_{12} is $-\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHCH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$. In other embodiments, R_{12} is $-\text{OC}(\text{O})$ -alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12) or a substituted version thereof. In some embodiments, the alkanediyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8) of R_{12} is $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$. In some embodiments, the
- 10 alkylamino_(C≤12) or substituted alkylamino_(C≤12) of R_{12} is $-\text{NHCH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$. In some embodiments, R_{12} is $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHCH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$. In other embodiments, R_{12} is $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{NH}$ -alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12) or a substituted version thereof. In some embodiments, the alkanediyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8) of R_{12} is $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$. In some embodiments, the alkylamino_(C≤12) or substituted alkylamino_(C≤12) of R_{12} is $-\text{NHCH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$. In some embodiments, R_{12} is
- 15 $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{NHCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHCH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$.

In other embodiments, R_{12} is further defined as:



wherein:

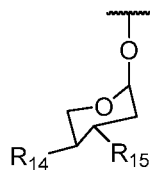
- 20 R_{14} is amino or hydroxy; or alkoxy_(C≤12), alkylamino_(C≤12), dialkyl-amino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups, or $-\text{NR}_a\text{R}_b$, wherein:

R_a and R_b are each hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤12), substituted alkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), substituted alkenyl_(C≤12), $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}$ -alkanediyl_(C≤6)- R_c , $-\text{C}(\text{O})$ -alkanediyl_(C≤6)- R_c , $-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C≤6)}$ - R_c , or a substituted version of either of these group; wherein:

- 25 R_c is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxyl, acyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), alkylsulfonyl_(C≤8), arylsulfonyl_(C≤8), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R_{15} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8); and

R_{20} and R_{21} are hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8). In some embodiments, R_{12} is:



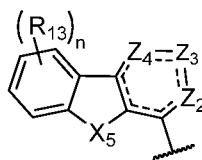
wherein:

R_{14} is amino or hydroxy; or alkoxy_(C≤12), alkylamino_(C≤12), dialkylamino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; and

5 R_{15} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8).

In some embodiments, R_{14} is alkylamino_(C≤12) or substituted alkylamino_(C≤12). In some embodiments, R_{14} is isopropylamino. In other embodiments, R_{14} is alkoxy_(C≤12) or substituted alkoxy_(C≤12). In some embodiments, R_{14} is isopropoxy. In some embodiments, R_{15} is hydrogen. In other embodiments, R_{15} is alkoxy_(C≤8) or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8). In some embodiments, R_{15} is methoxy.

10 In some embodiments, A_2 is hydrogen. In other embodiments, A_2 is:



wherein:

X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

R_{18} is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), acyl_(C≤8), or substituted acyl_(C≤8);

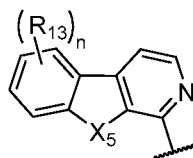
15 n is 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5;

Z_2 , Z_3 , and Z_4 are each independently N or CR_{13} ; and

R_{13} is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, nitro, or mercapto;

alkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), acyloxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups.

In some embodiments, A_2 is further defined as:



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wherein:

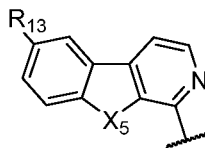
X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

R_{18} is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), acyl_(C≤8), or substituted acyl_(C≤8);

n is 1, 2, 3, or 4;

R_{13} is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro; or $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{acyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{acyloxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups.

In some embodiments, n is 1 or 2. In some embodiments, n is 1. In some embodiments, A_2 is further defined as:



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wherein:

X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

R_{18} is hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{acyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{acyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$; and

R_{13} is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro; or $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{acyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{acyloxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups.

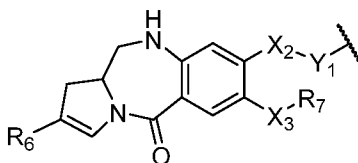
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In some embodiments, X_5 is O. In other embodiments, X_5 is NR_{18} . In some embodiments, R_{18} is hydrogen. In some embodiments, R_{13} is hydrogen. In other embodiments, R_{13} is amino. In other embodiments, R_{13} is carboxy. In other embodiments, R_{13} is hydrazino. In other embodiments, R_{13} is hydroxy. In other embodiments, R_{13} is halo. In some embodiments, R_{13} is fluoro. In other embodiments, R_{13} is iodo. In other embodiments, R_{13} is $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$ or substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$. In some embodiments, R_{13} is haloalkyl $_{(C\leq 12)}$. In some embodiments, R_{13} is trifluoromethyl. In other embodiments, R_{13} is $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$ or substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$. In other embodiments, R_{13} is $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$. In some embodiments, R_{13} is methoxy. In other embodiments, R_{13} is substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$. In some embodiments, R_{13} is 2-aminoethoxy, 2-methylaminoethoxy, 2-azidoethoxy, carboxymethoxy, or carboxyethoxy. In other embodiments, R_{13} is $\text{acyloxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$ or substituted $\text{acyloxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$. In some embodiments, R_{13} is $\text{acyloxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$. In some embodiments, R_{13} is acetoxy.

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In other embodiments, A_1 is:



wherein:

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Y_1 is alkanediyl $_{(C\leq 8)}$ or substituted alkanediyl $_{(C\leq 8)}$;

X_2 and X_3 are each independently selected from $-\text{O}-$, $-\text{S}-$, or $-\text{NR}_{19}-$, wherein:

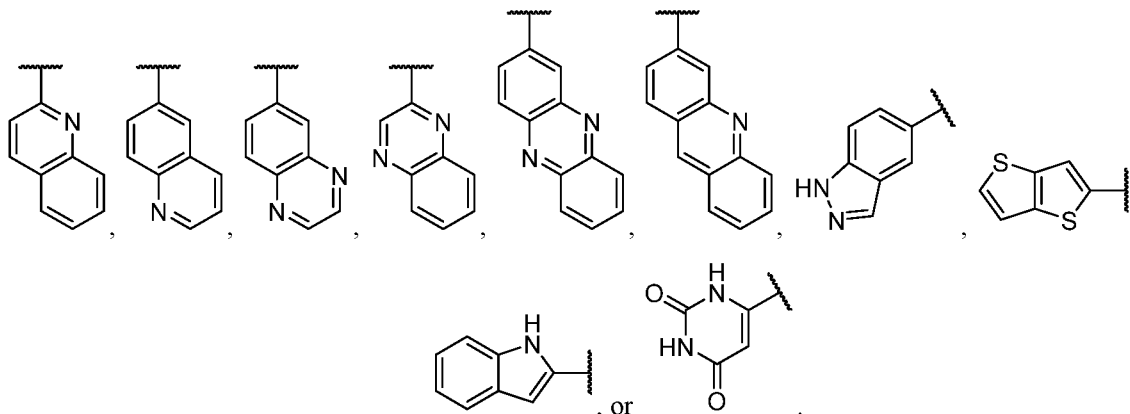
R_{19} is hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 6)}$, or substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 6)}$;

R_6 is $\text{aryl}_{(C\leq 18)}$, $\text{heteroaryl}_{(C\leq 18)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R₇ is alkyl_(C≤12) or substituted alkyl_(C≤12).

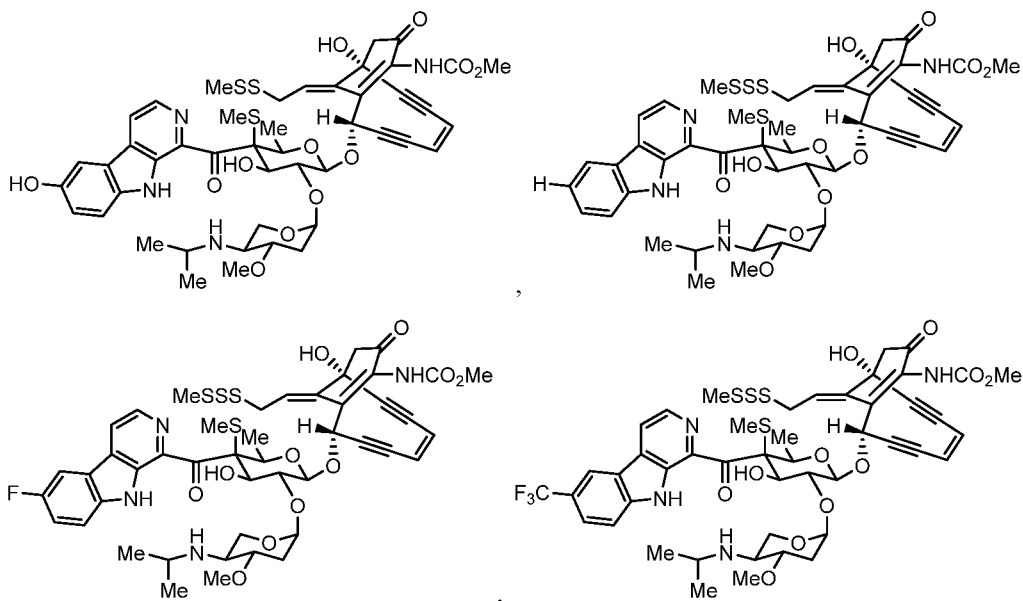
In some embodiments, Y₁ is alkanediyl_(C≤8). In some embodiments, Y₁ is -CH₂CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂-, or -CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂-. In some embodiments, X₂ is -O-. In some embodiments, X₃ is -O-.

- 5 In some embodiments, R₆ is aryl_(C≤18) or substituted aryl_(C≤18). In some embodiments, R₆ is 4-methoxyphenyl or 5-iodo-2,3,4-trimethoxy-6-methylphenyl. In other embodiments, R₆ is heteroaryl_(C≤18) or substituted heteroaryl_(C≤18). In some embodiments, R₆ is:

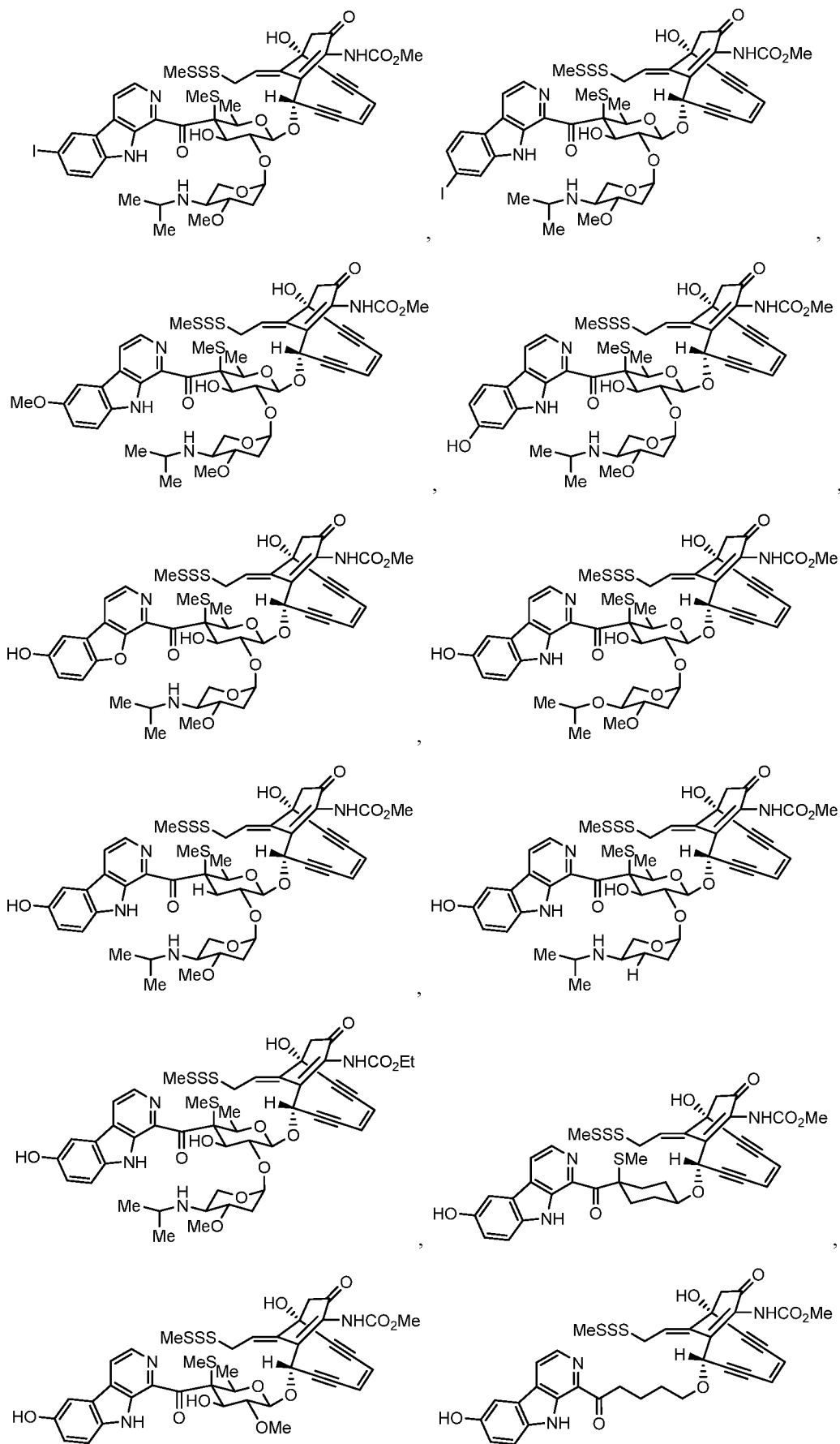


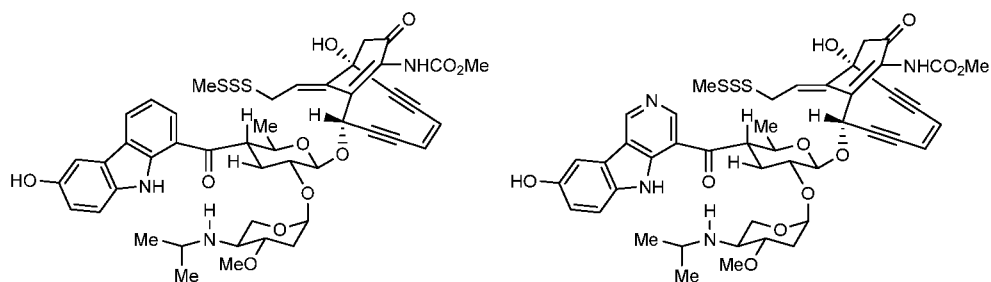
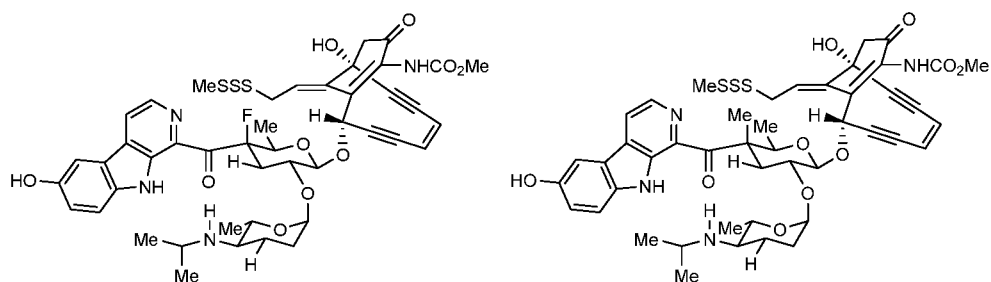
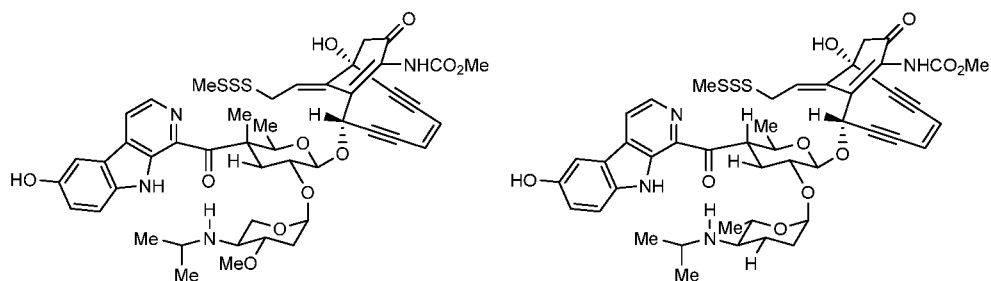
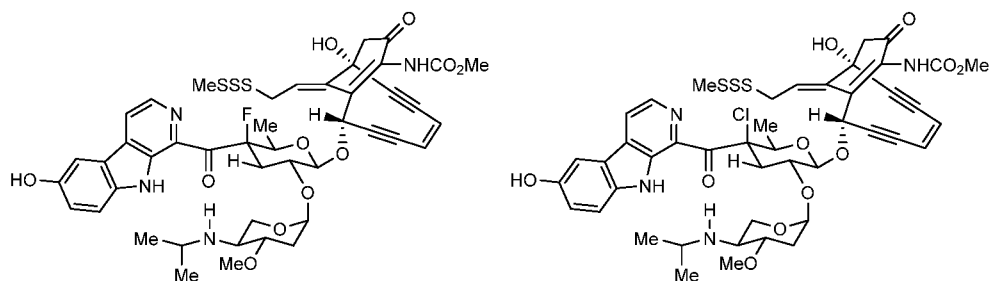
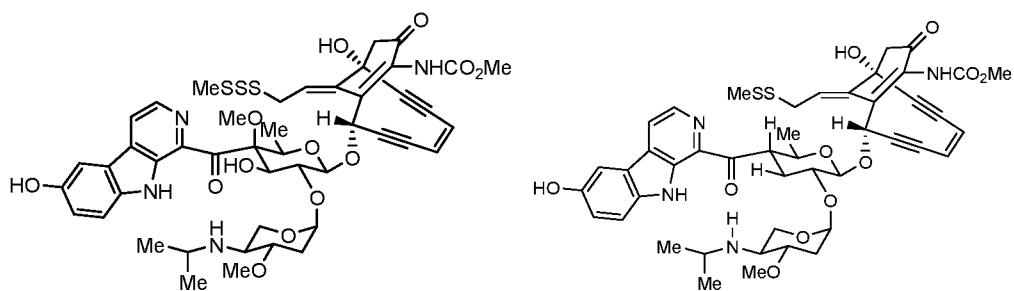
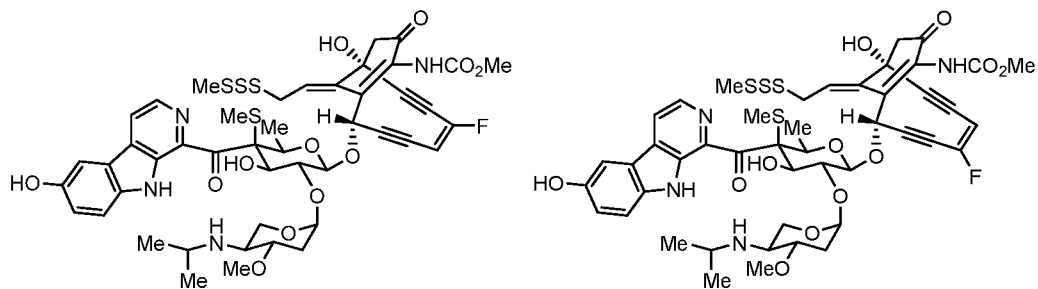
- 10 In some embodiments, R₇ is alkyl_(C≤12). In some embodiments, R₇ is substituted alkyl_(C≤12). In some embodiments, R₇ is 2-hydroxyethyl, 3-hydroxypropyl, 4-hydroxybutyl, 5-hydroxypentyl, or 6-hydroxyhexyl.

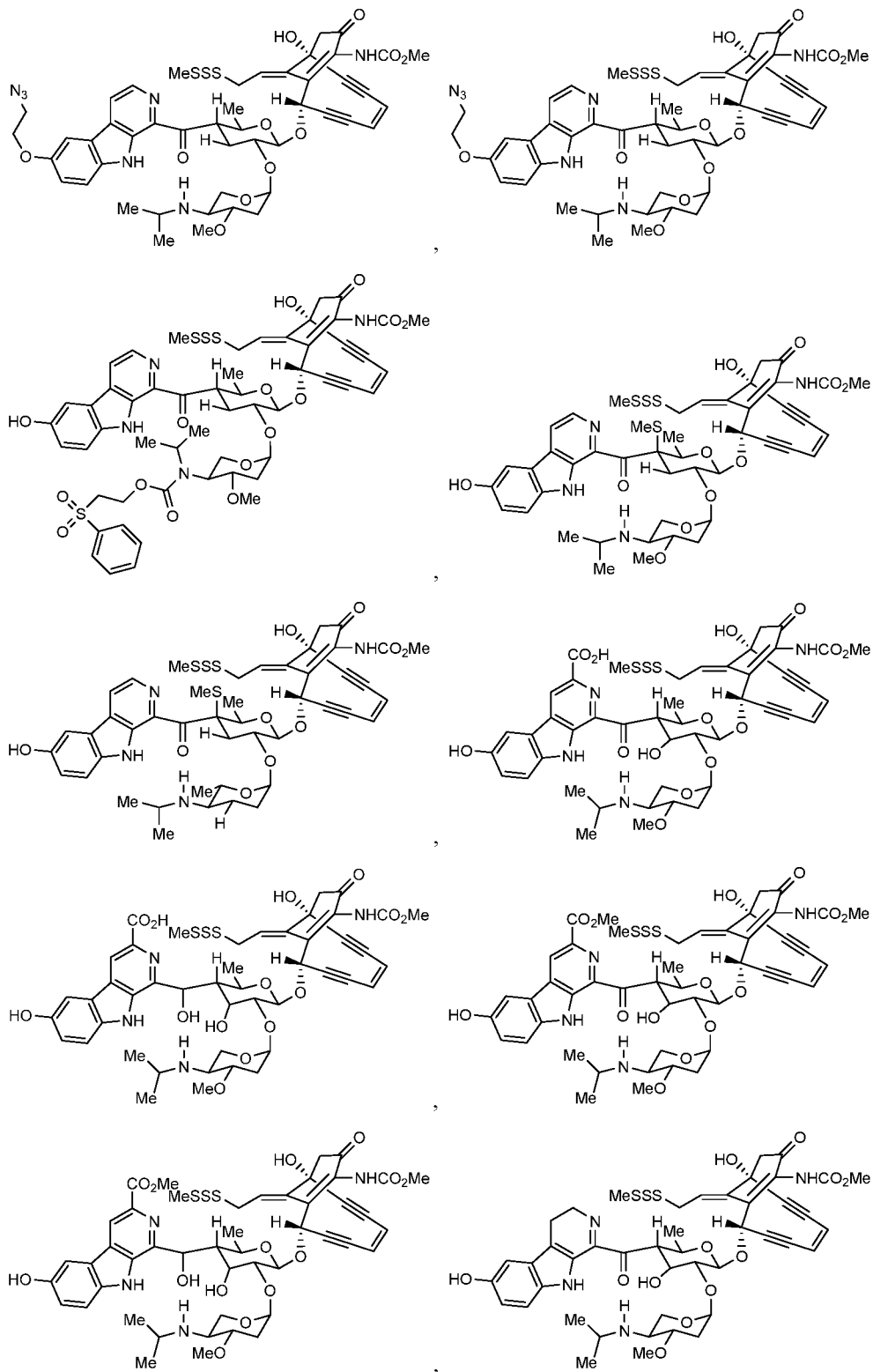
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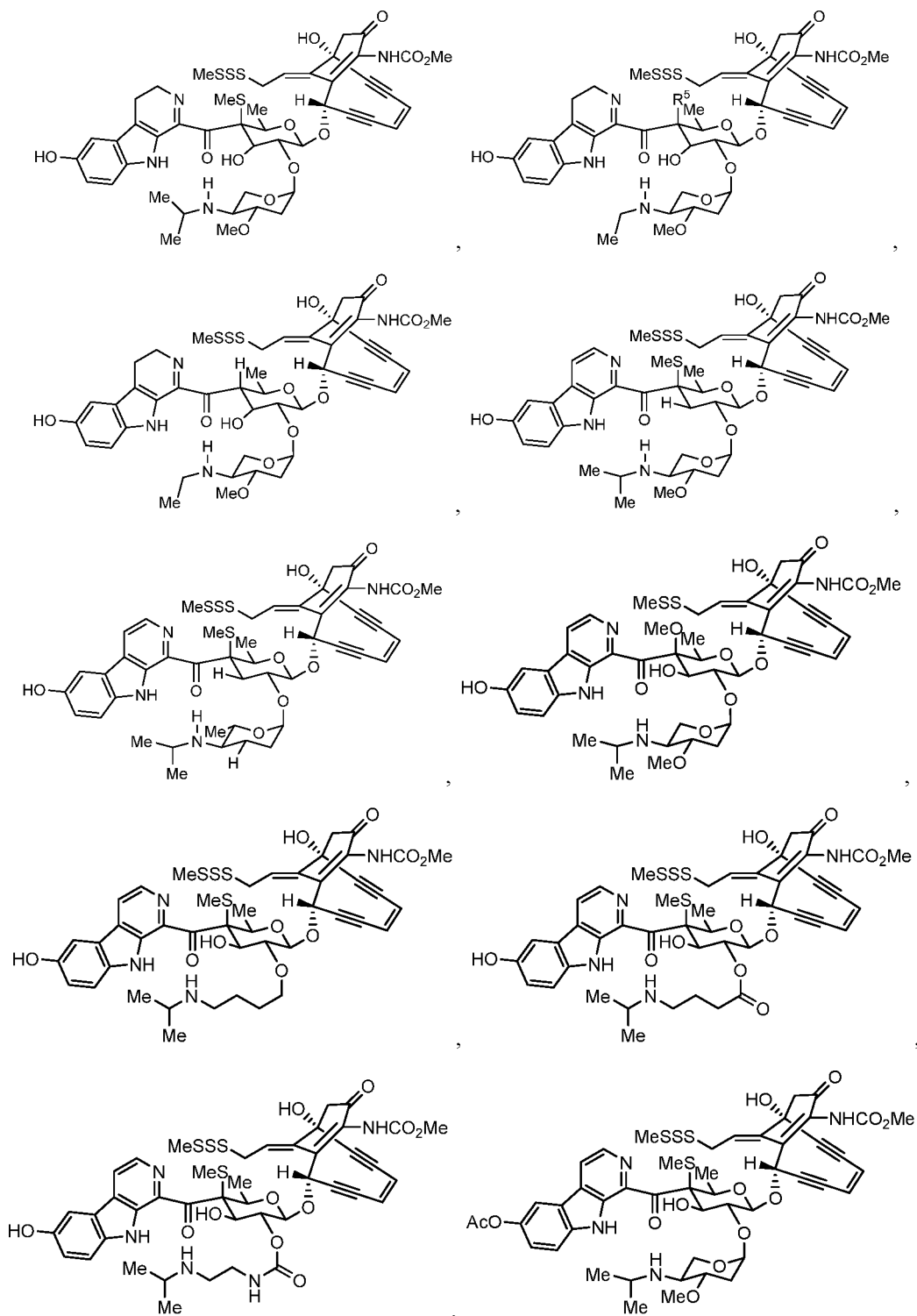


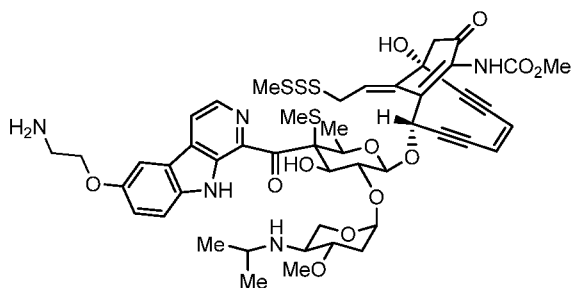
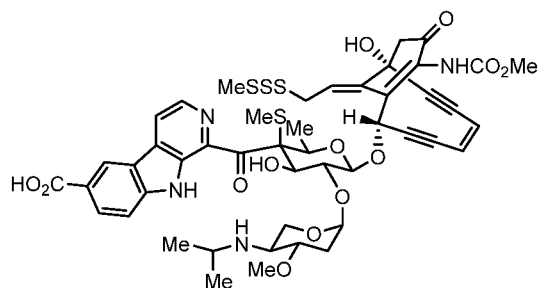
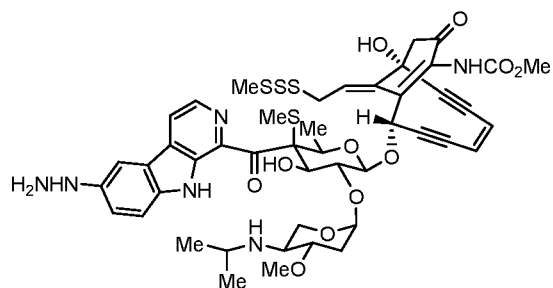
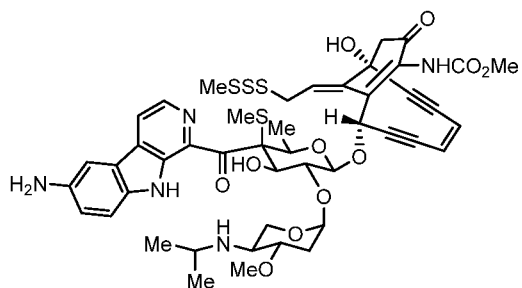
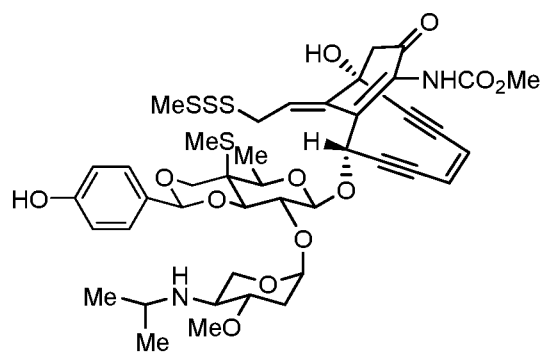
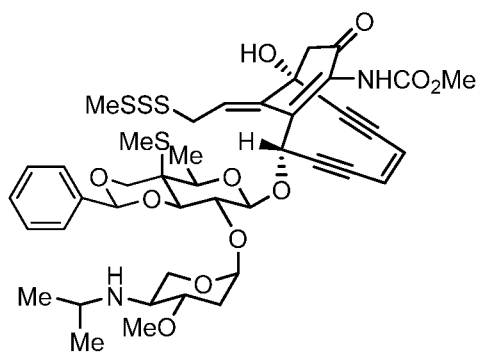
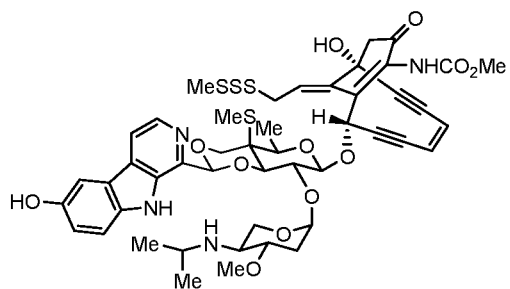
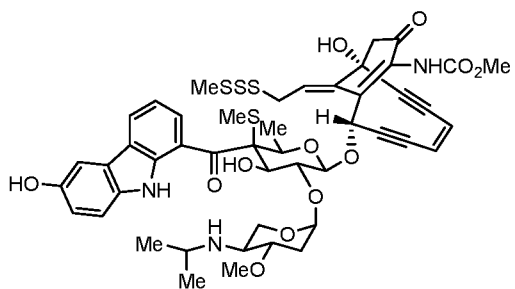
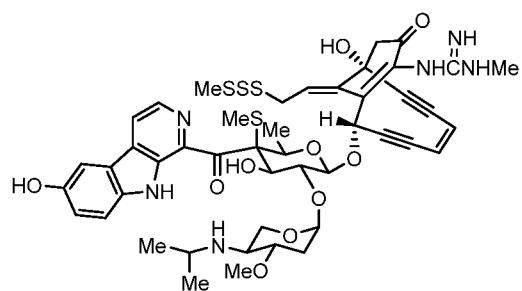
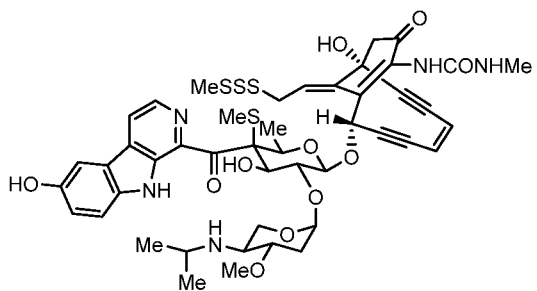
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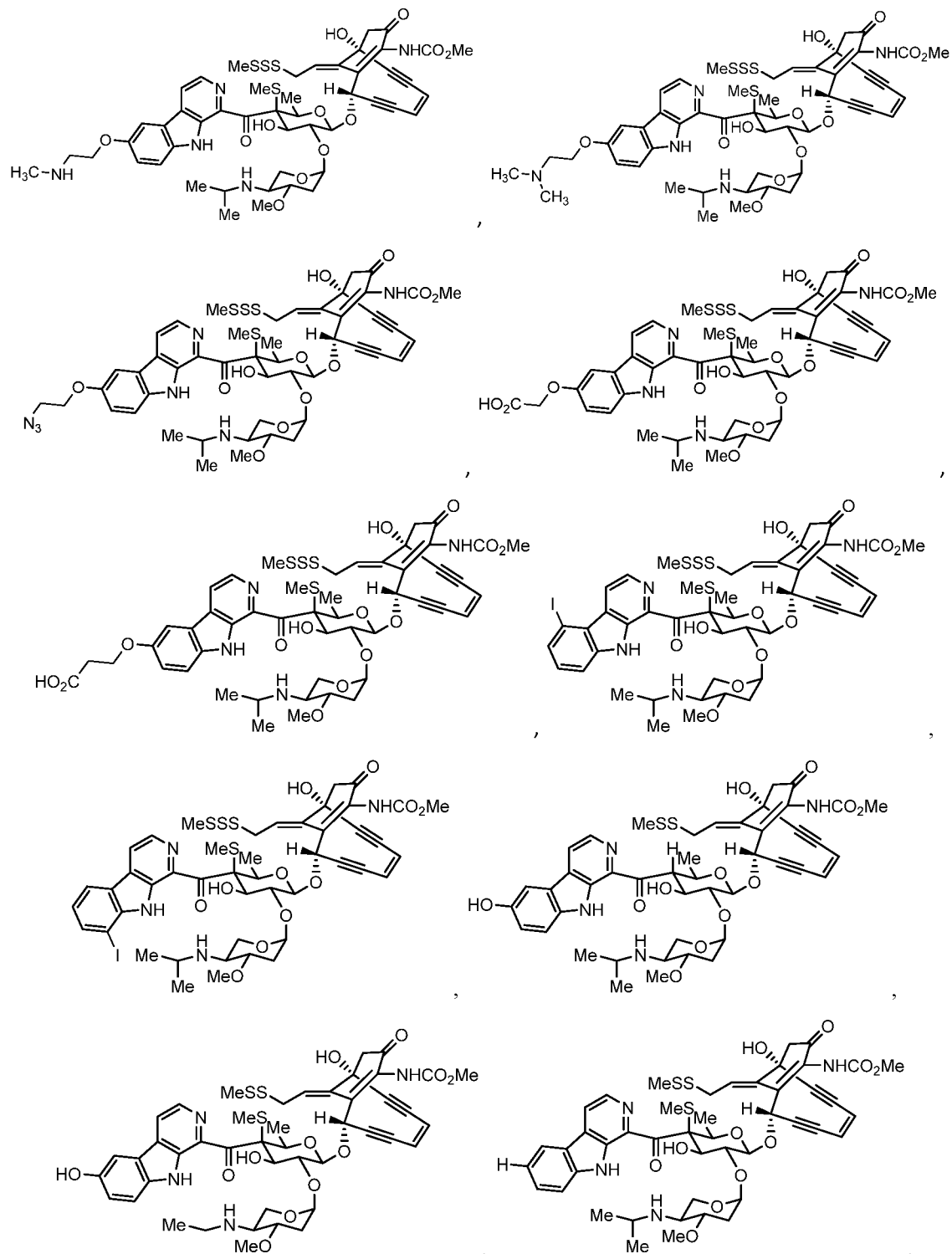


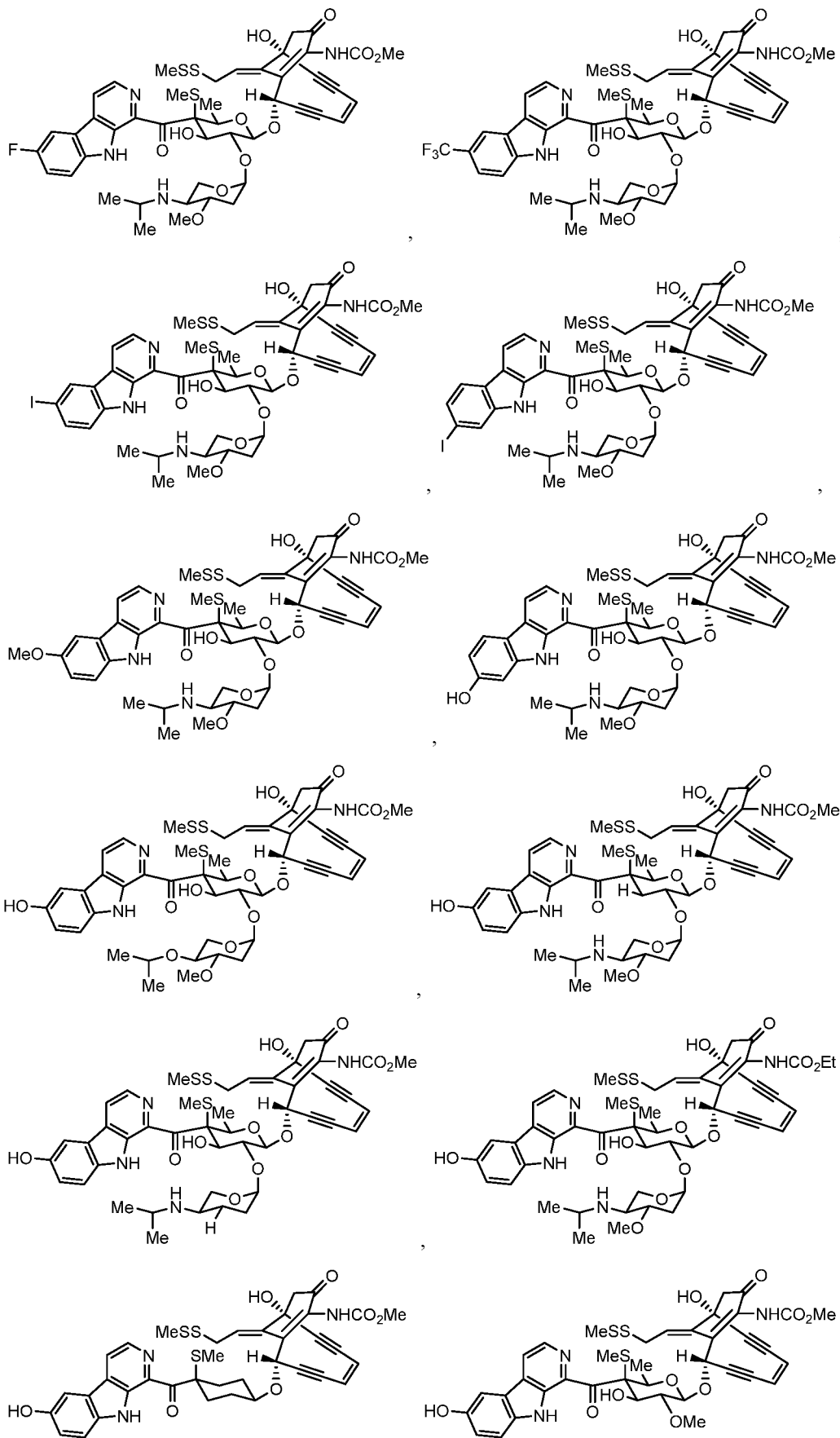


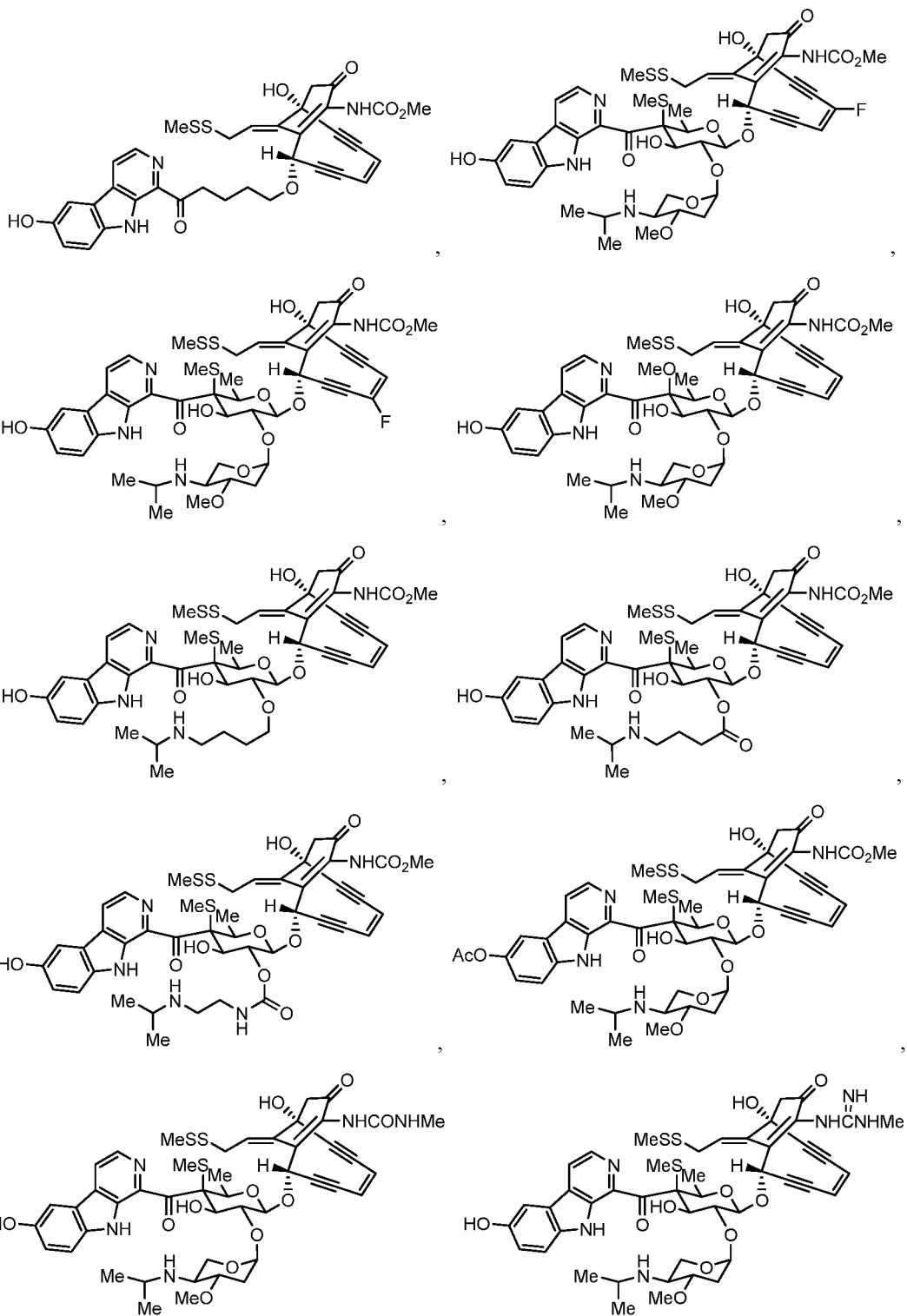


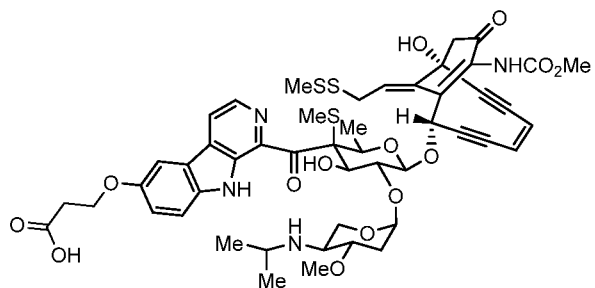
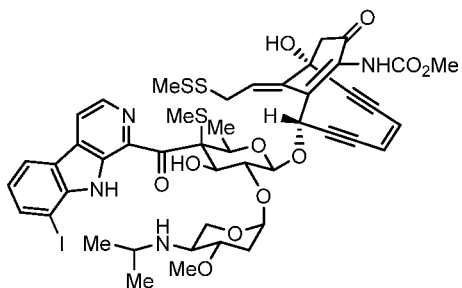
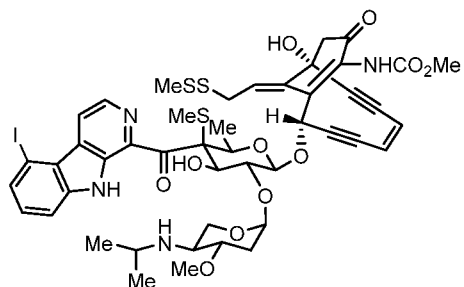
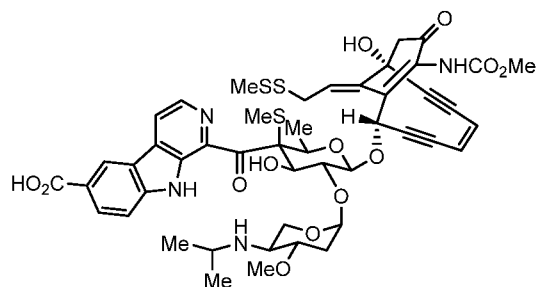
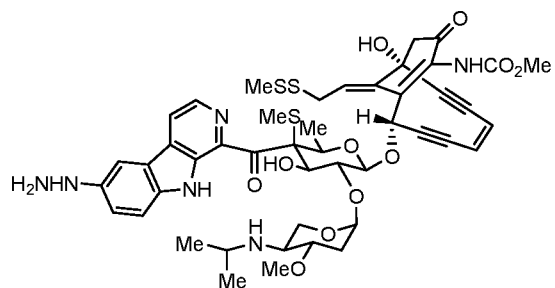
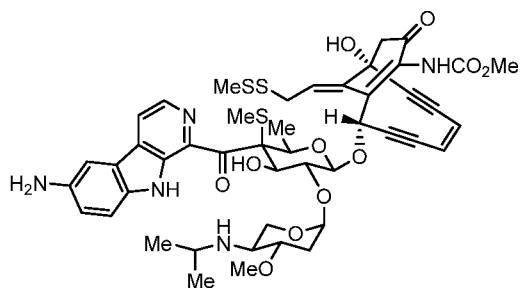
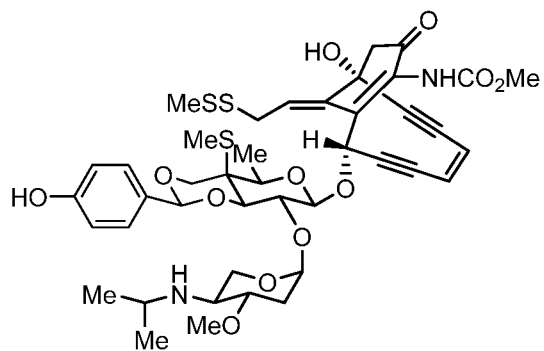
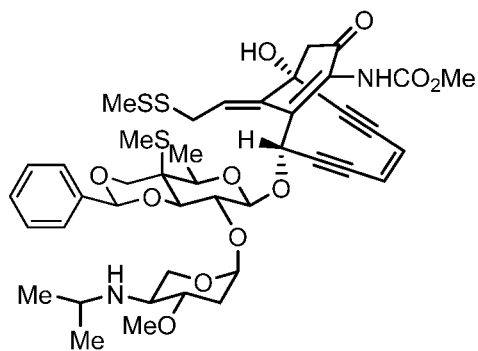
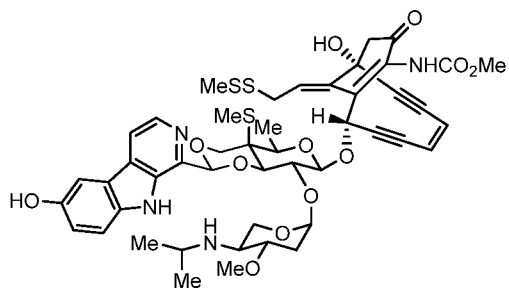
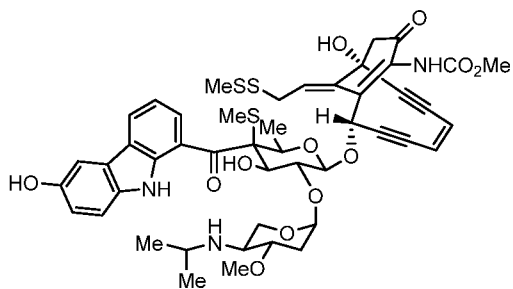


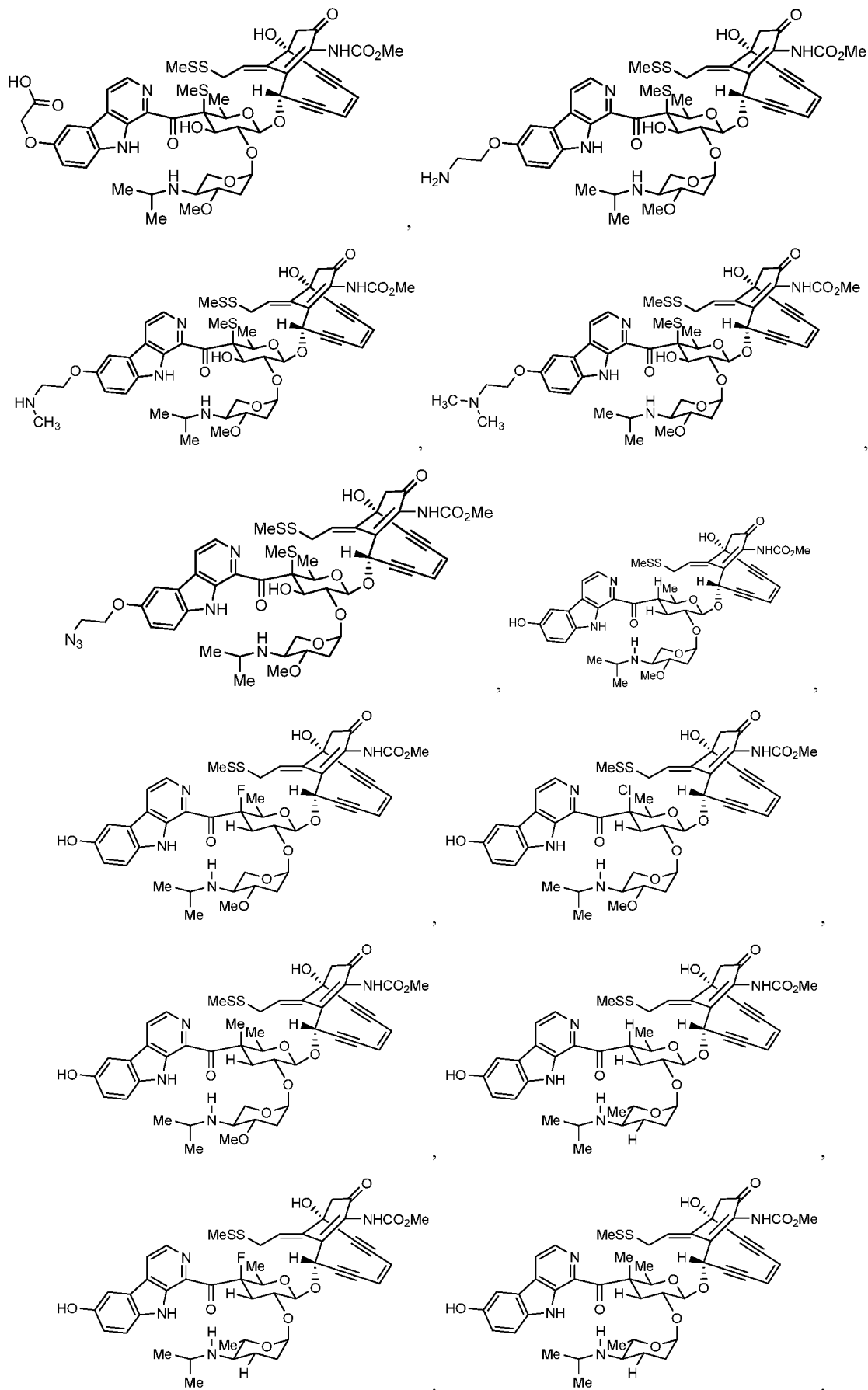




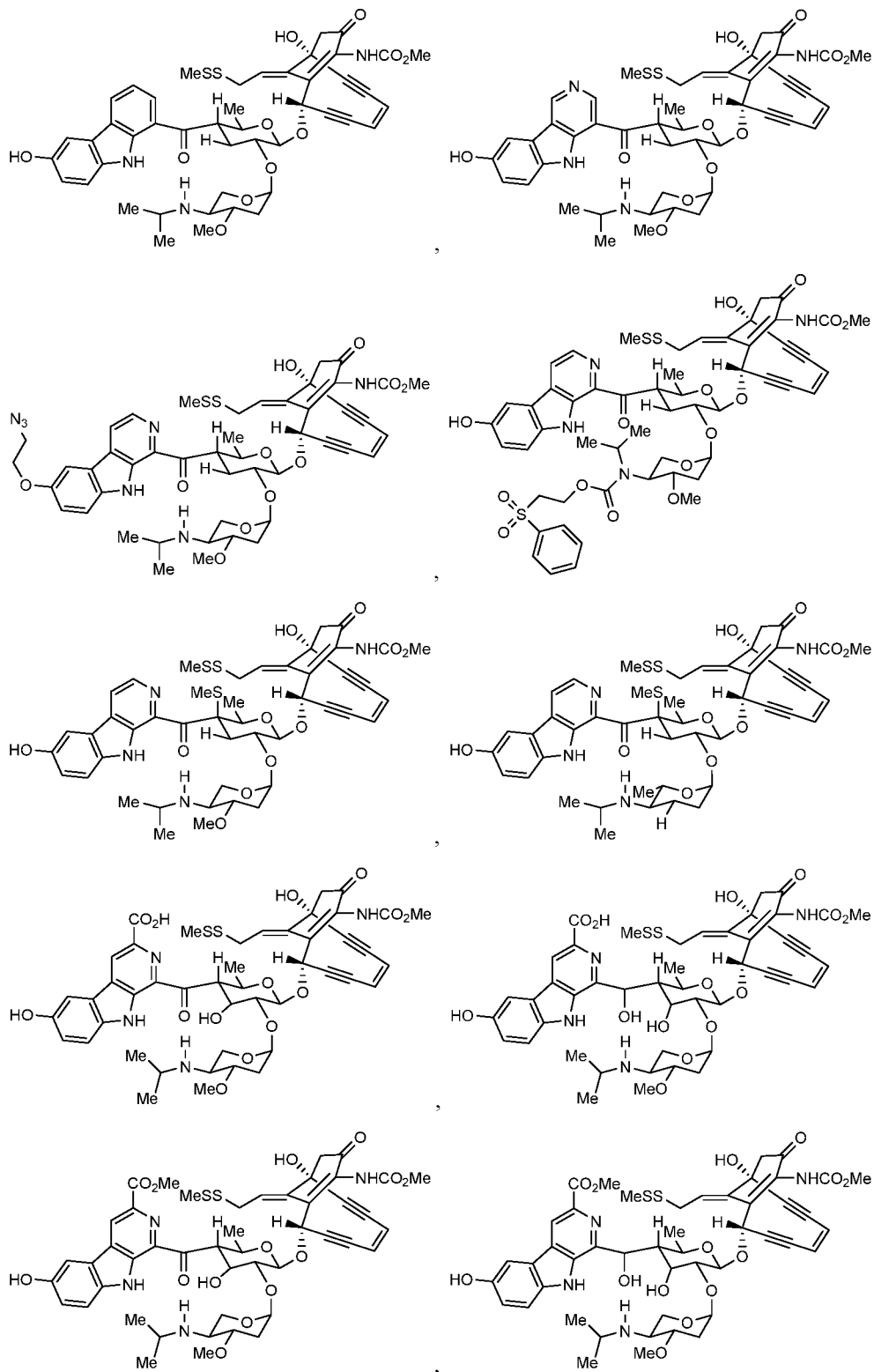


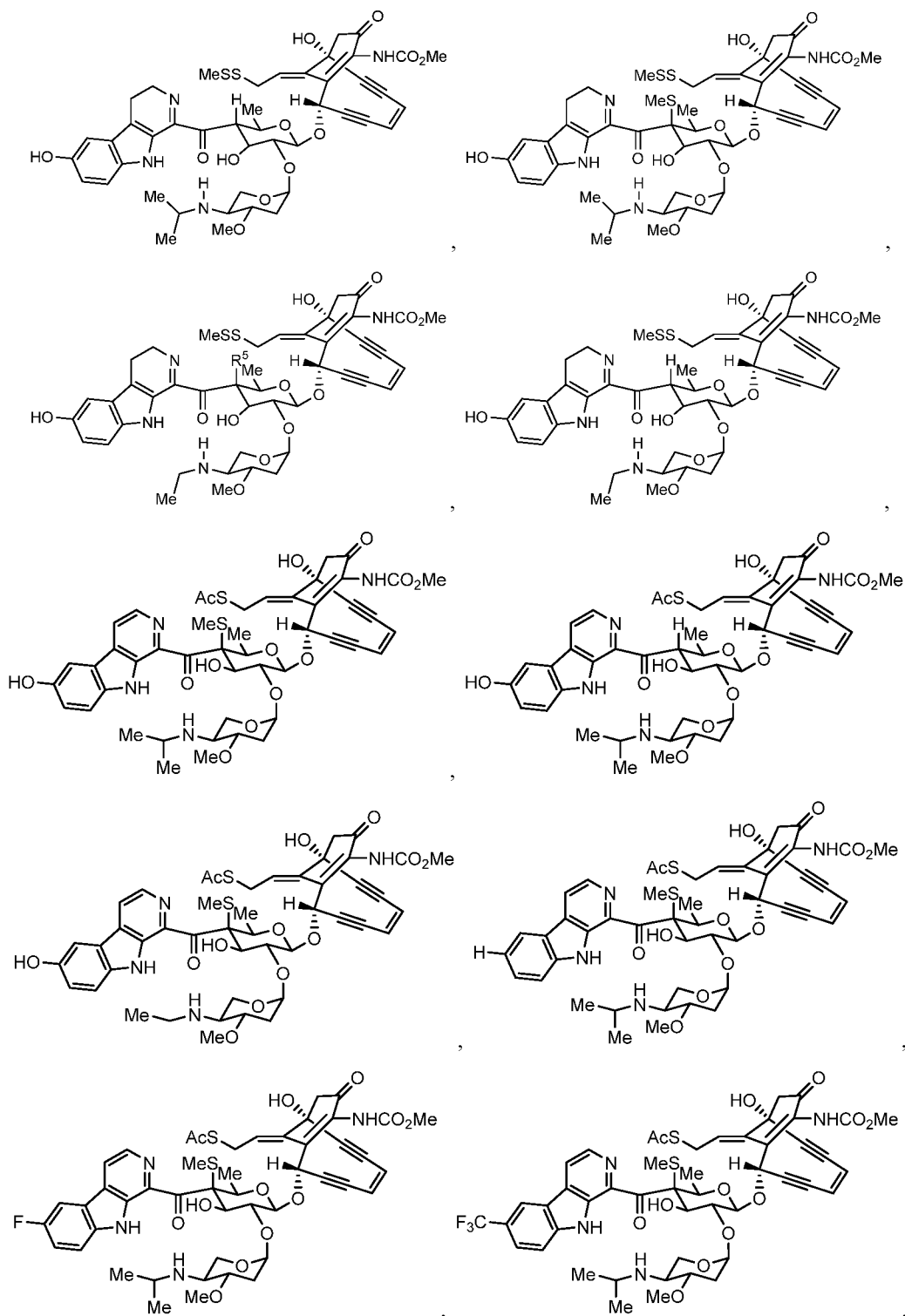


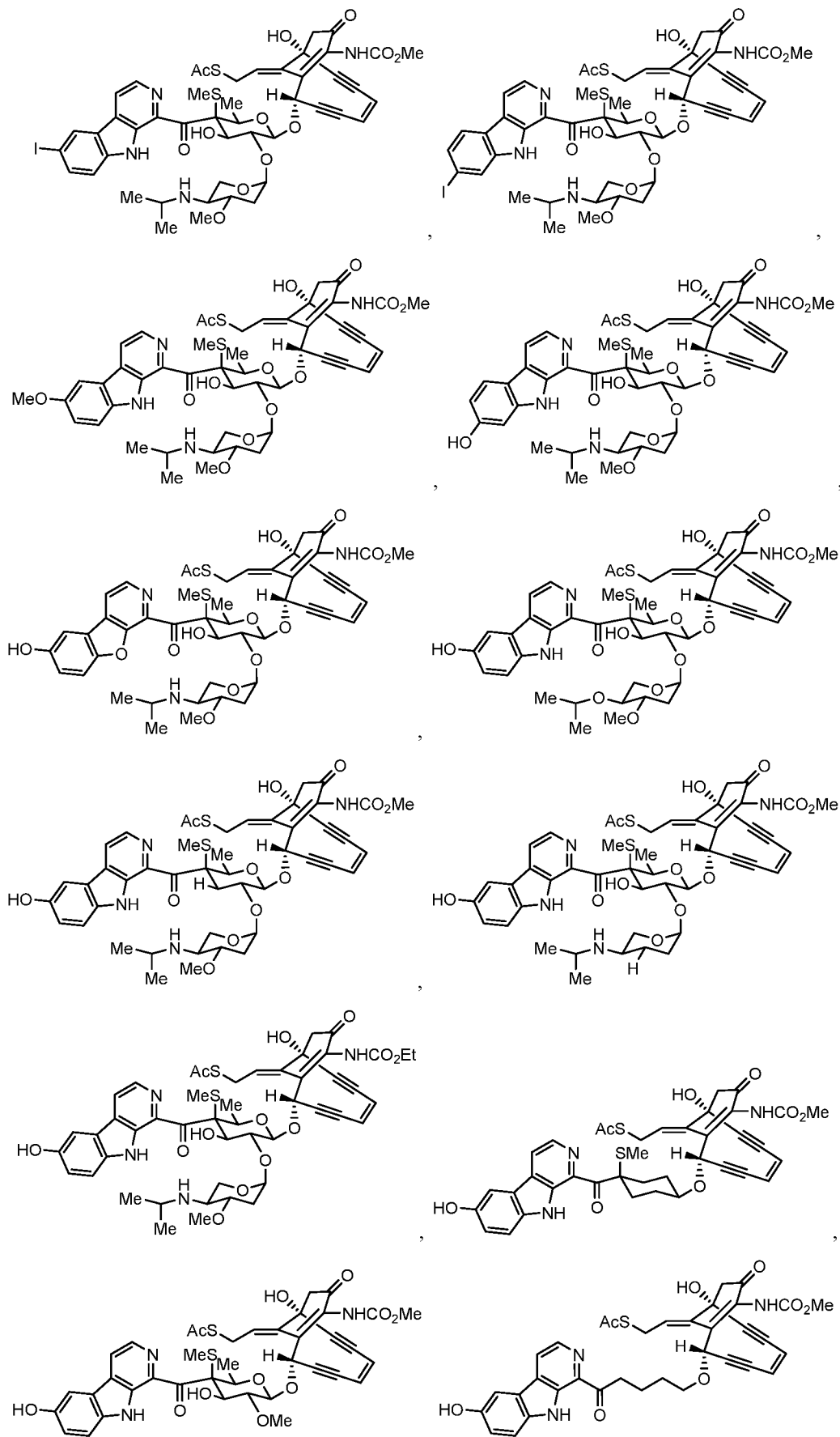


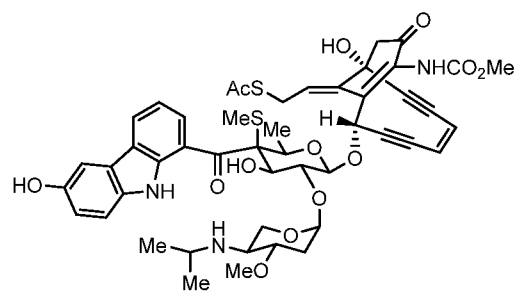
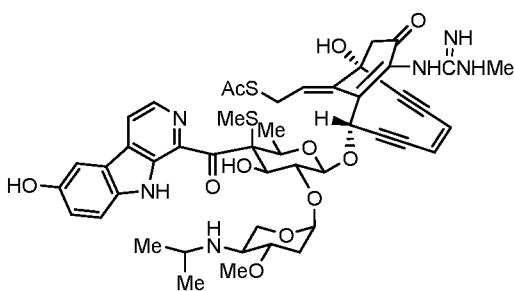
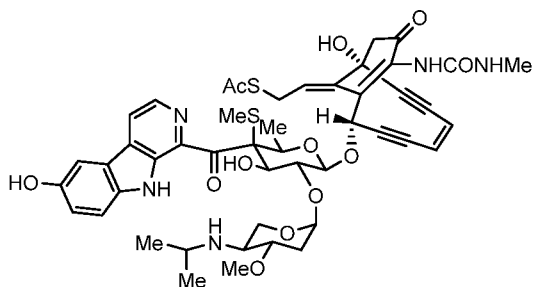
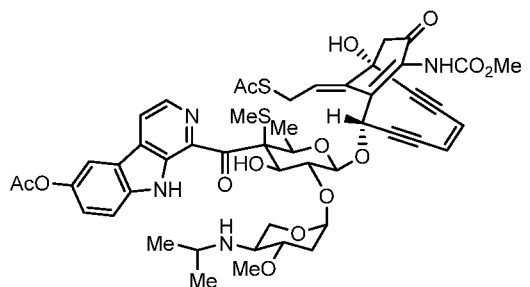
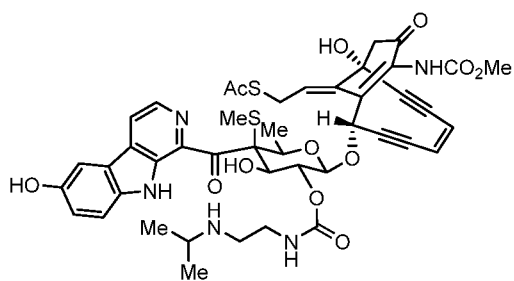
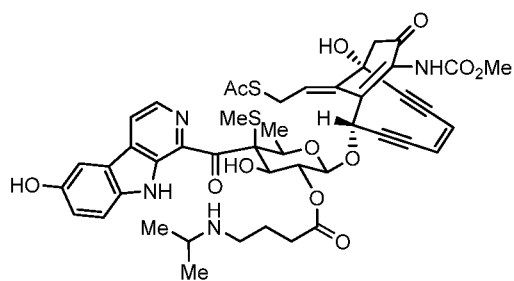
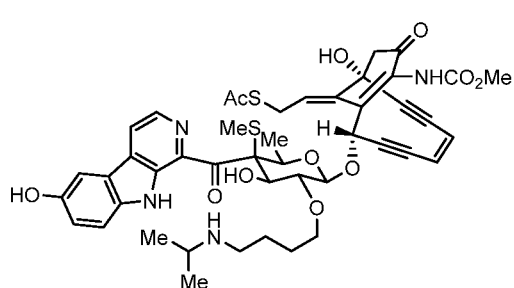
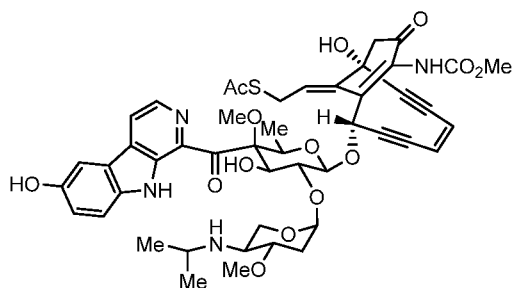
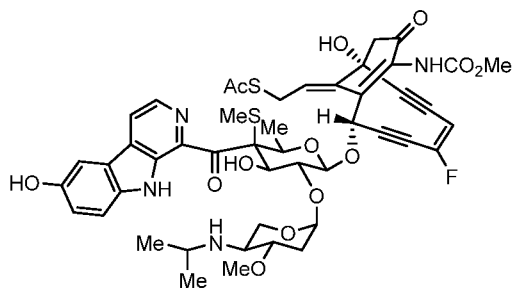
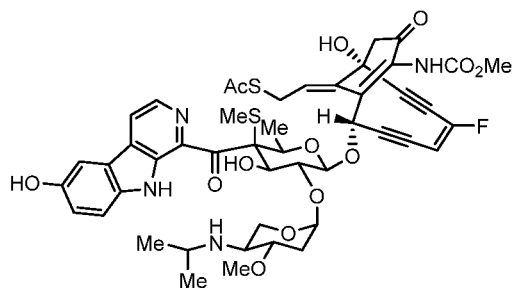


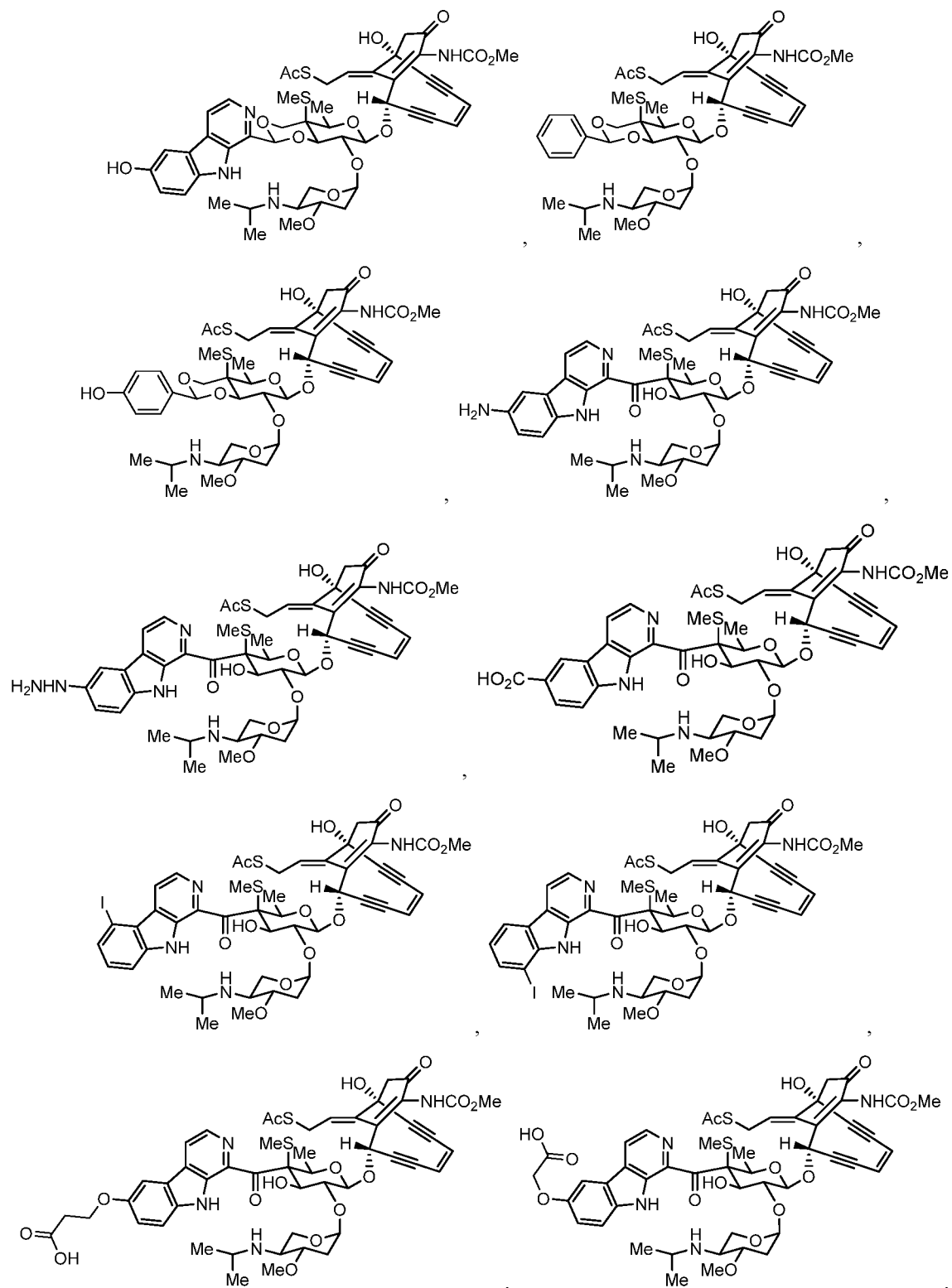
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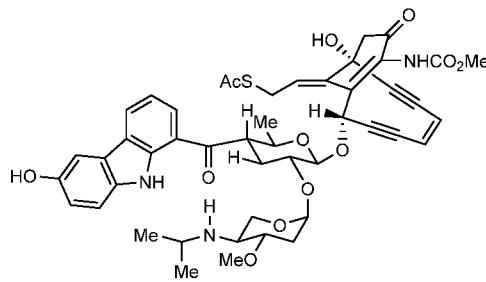
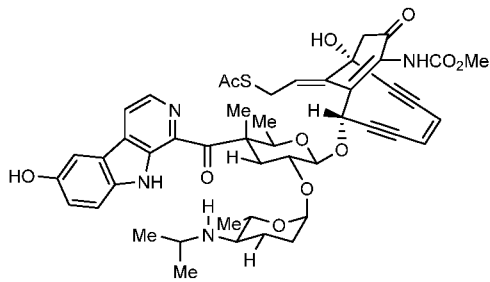
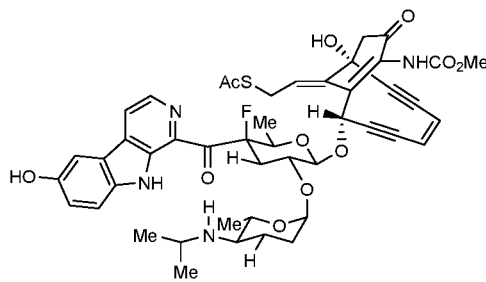
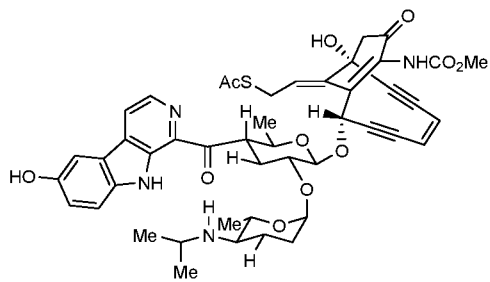
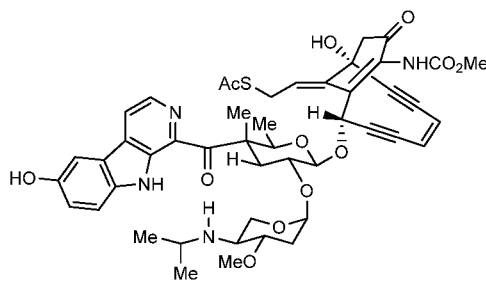
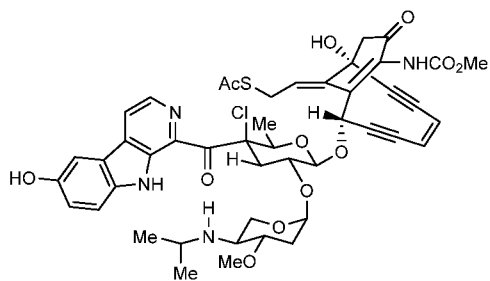
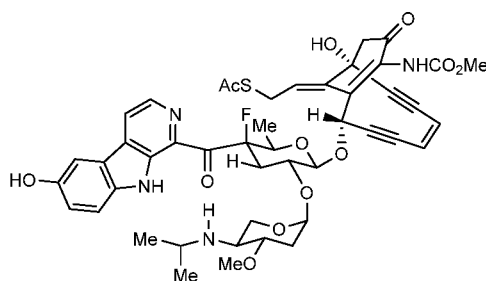
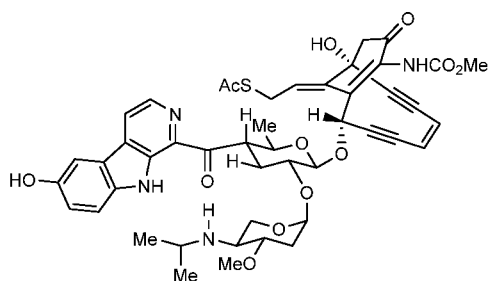
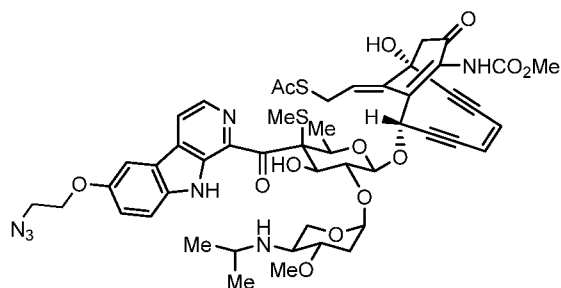
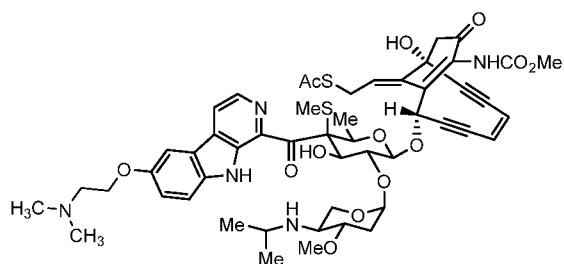
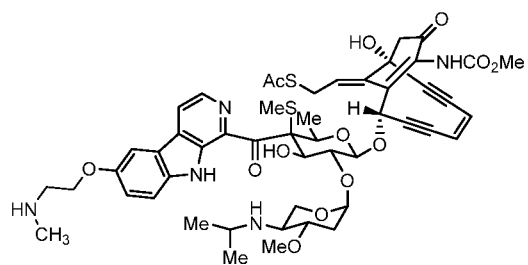
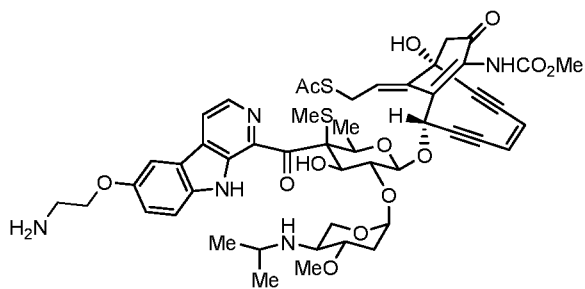


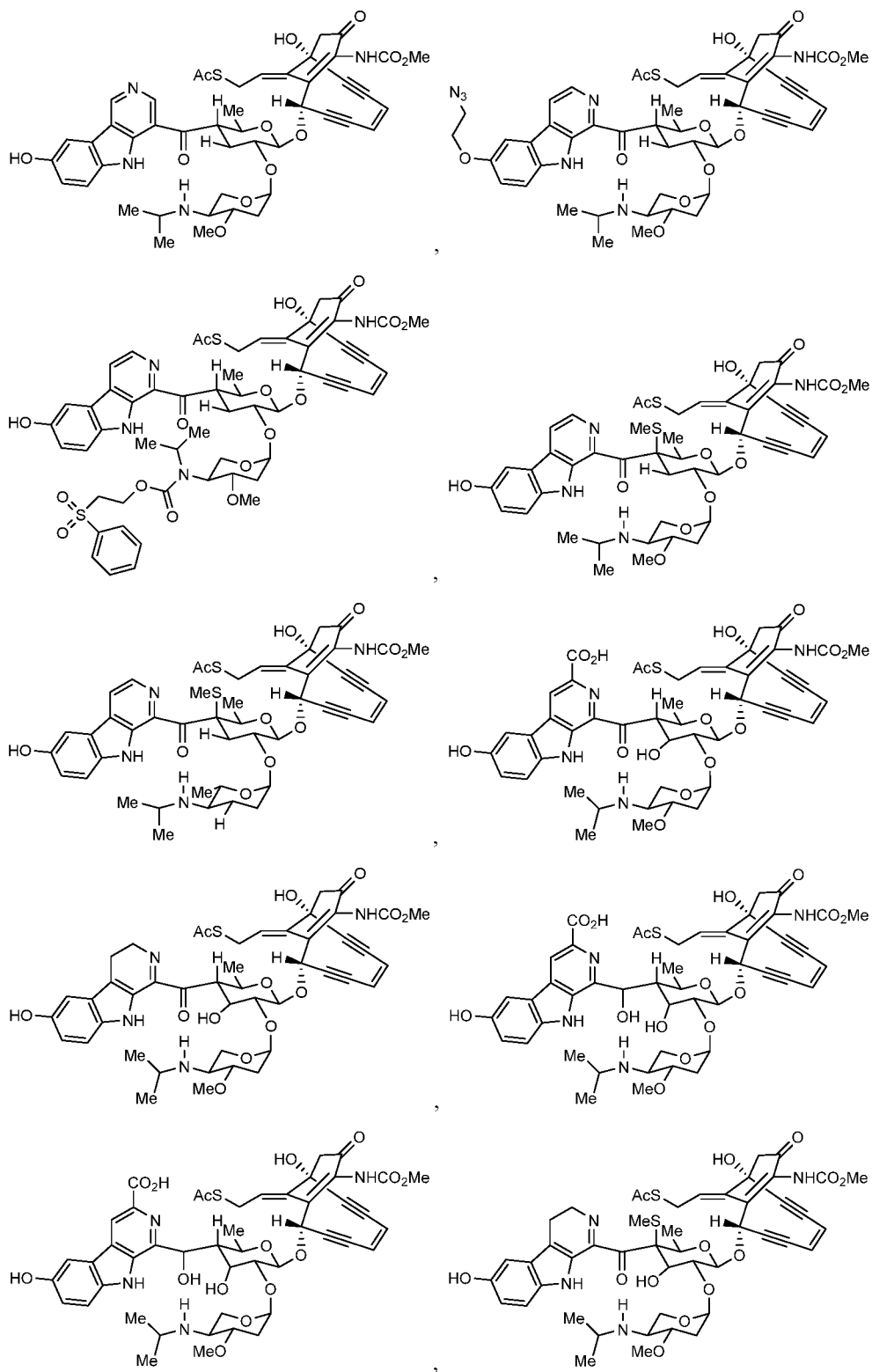


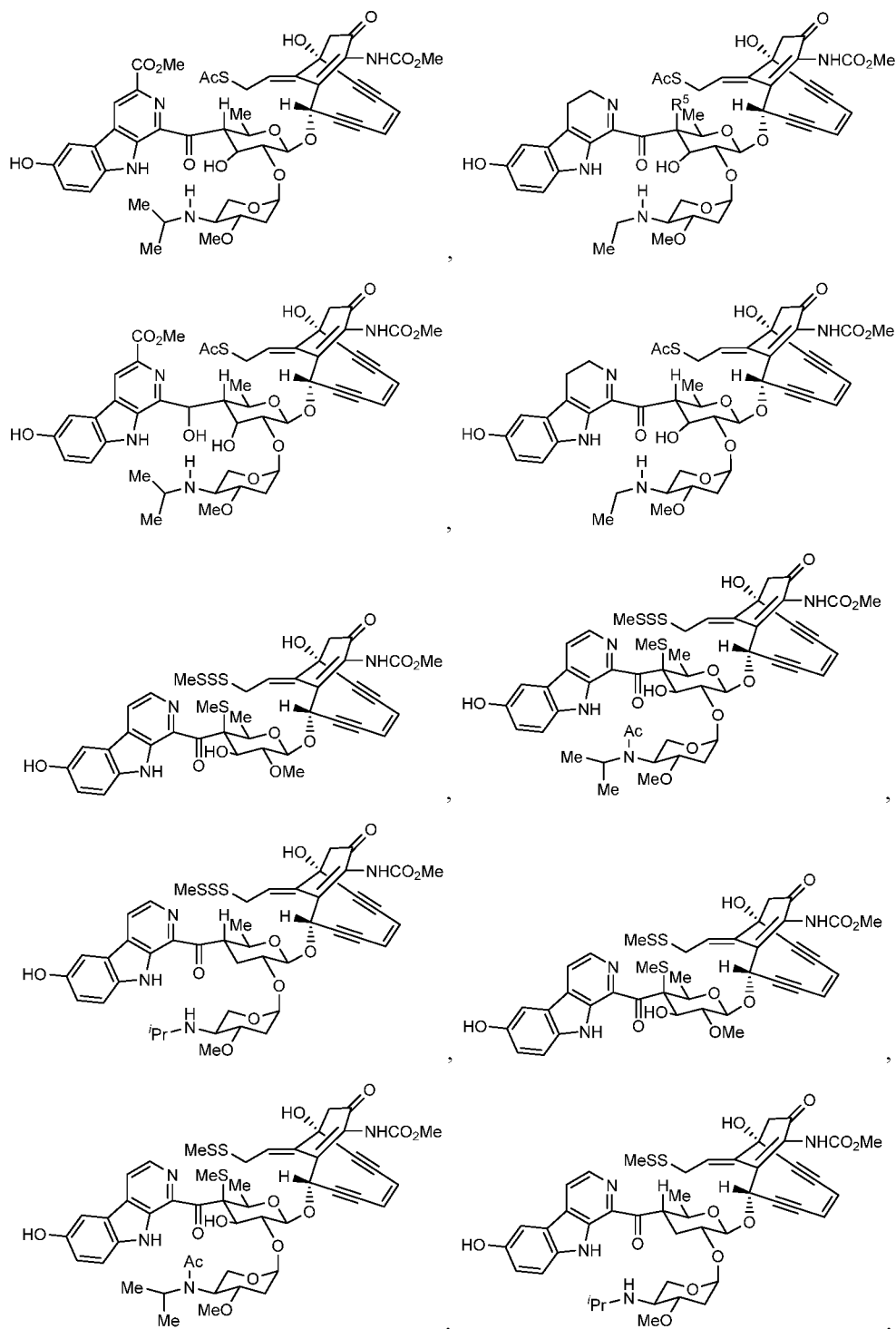


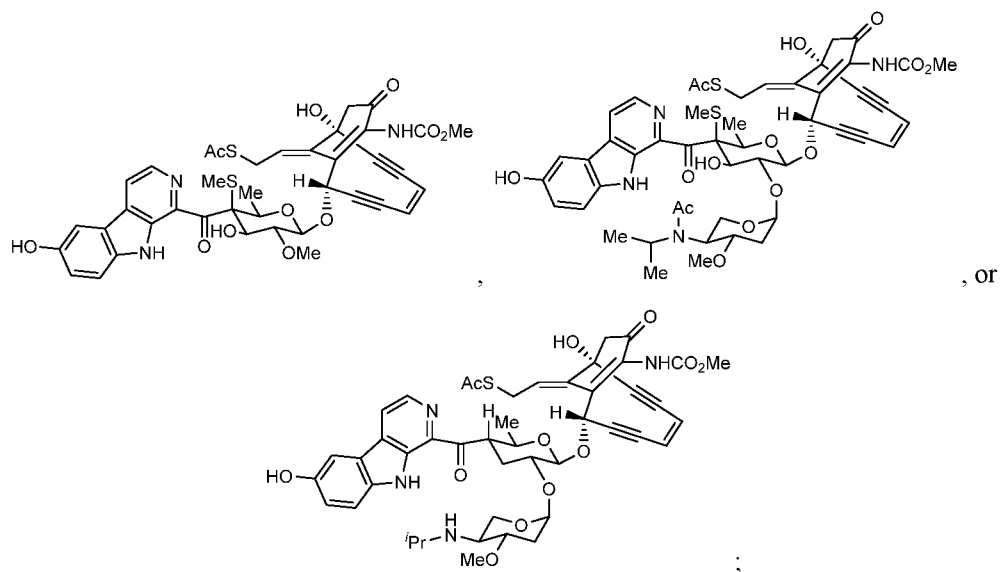








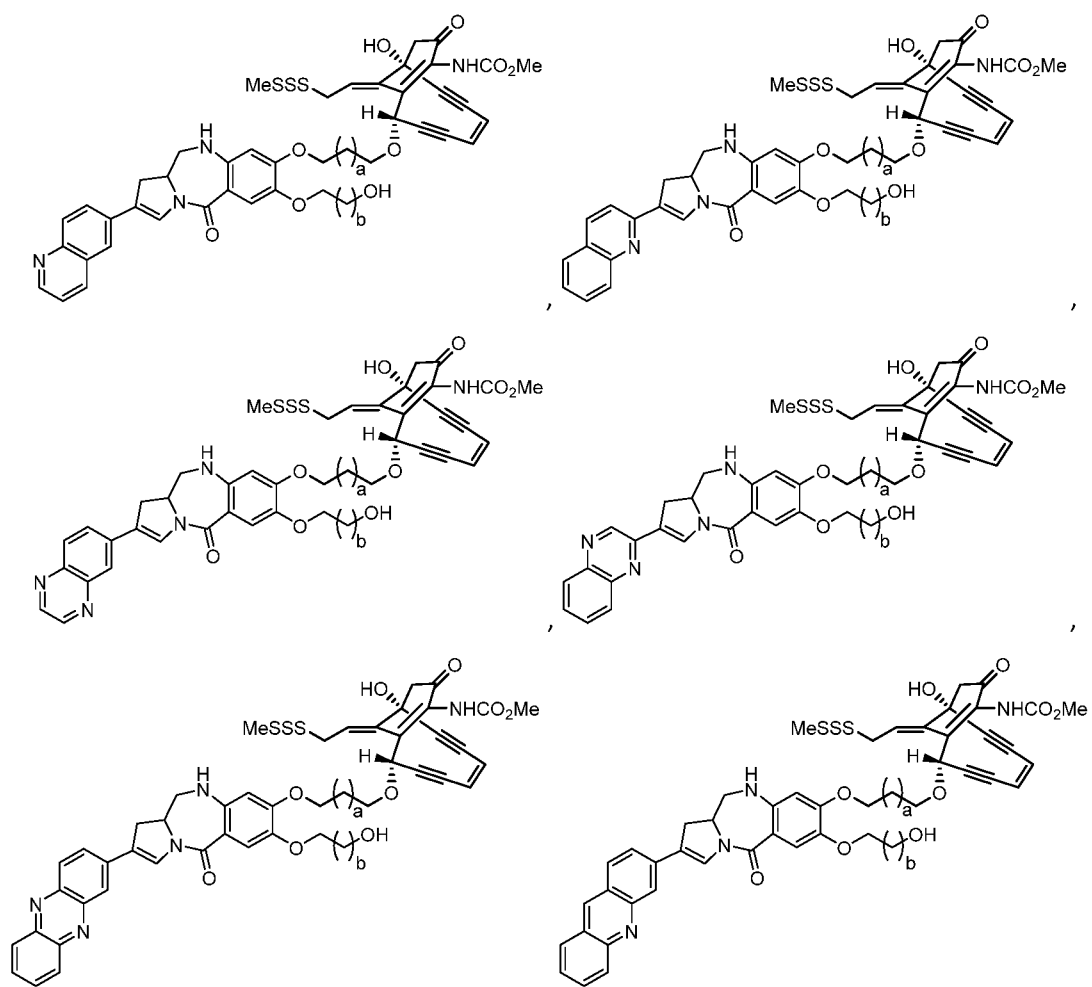


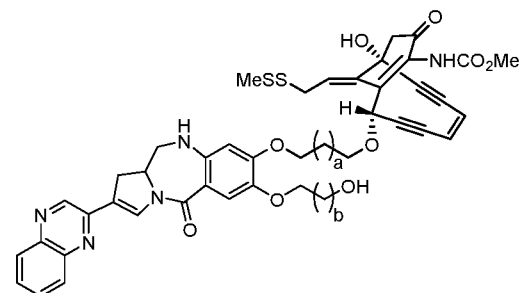
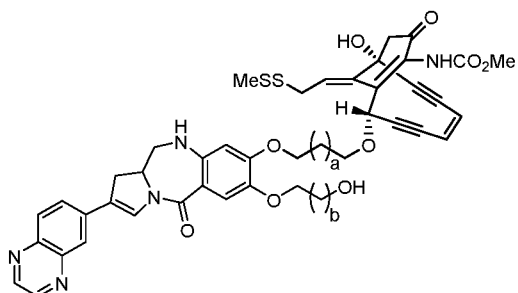
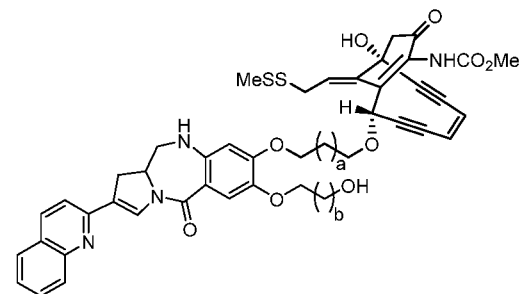
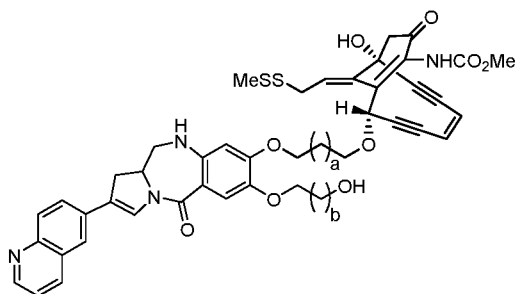
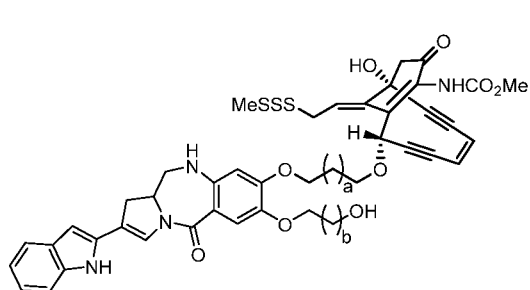
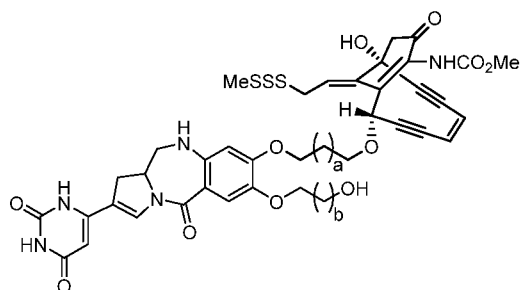
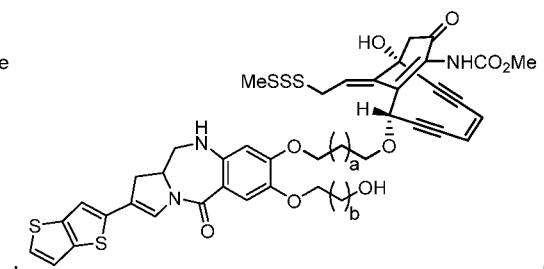
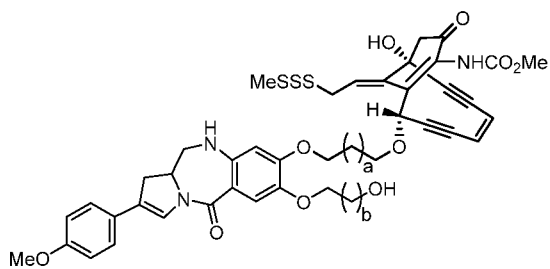
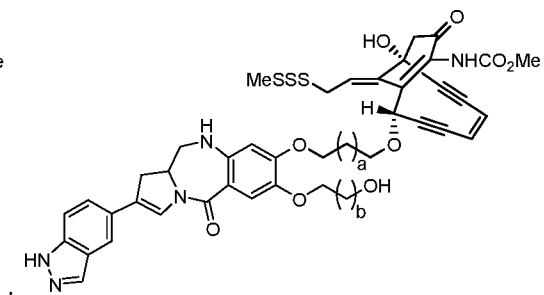
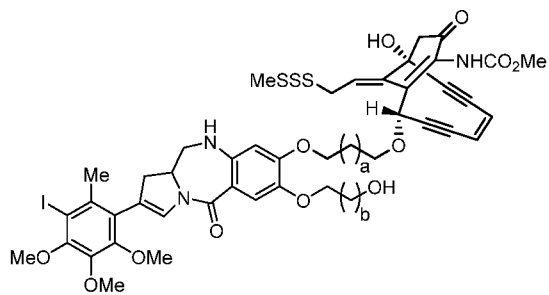


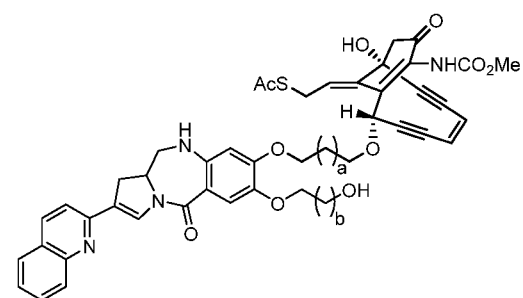
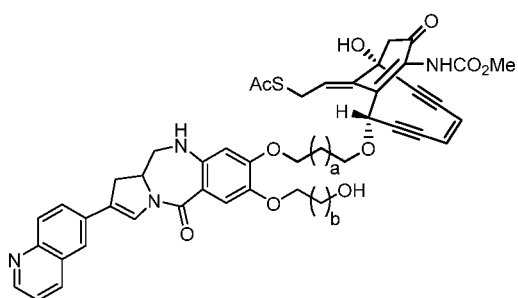
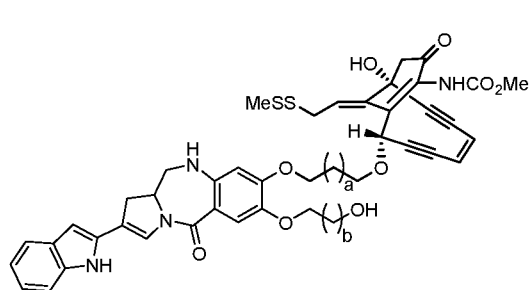
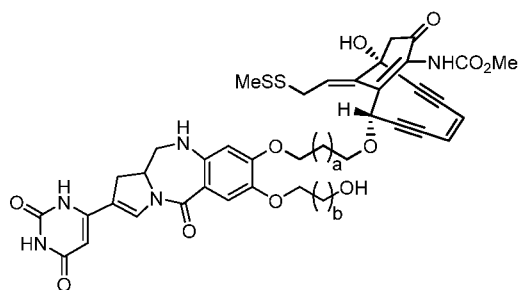
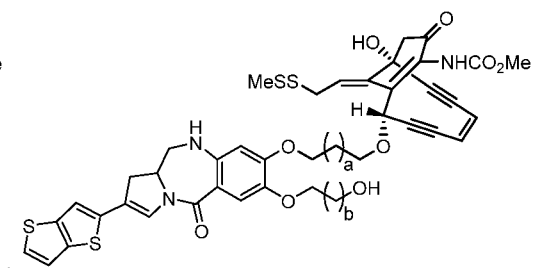
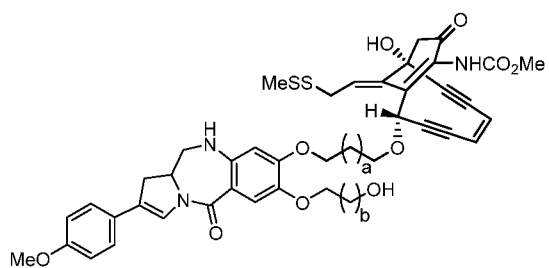
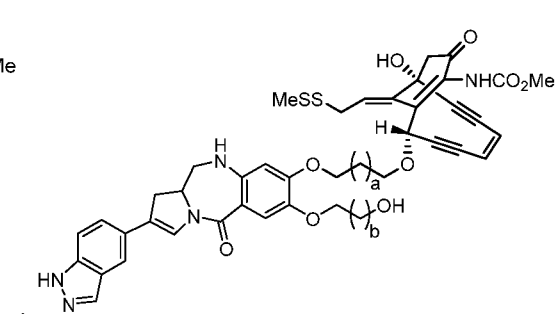
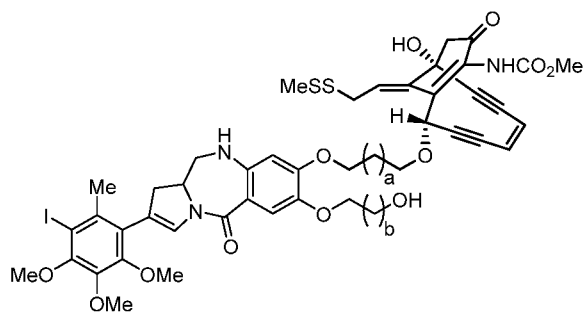
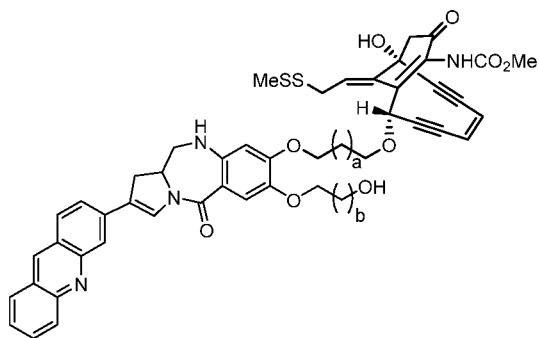
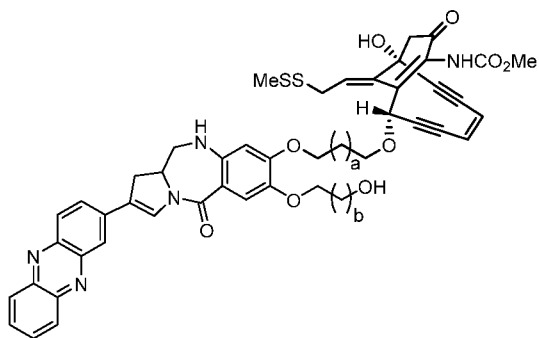
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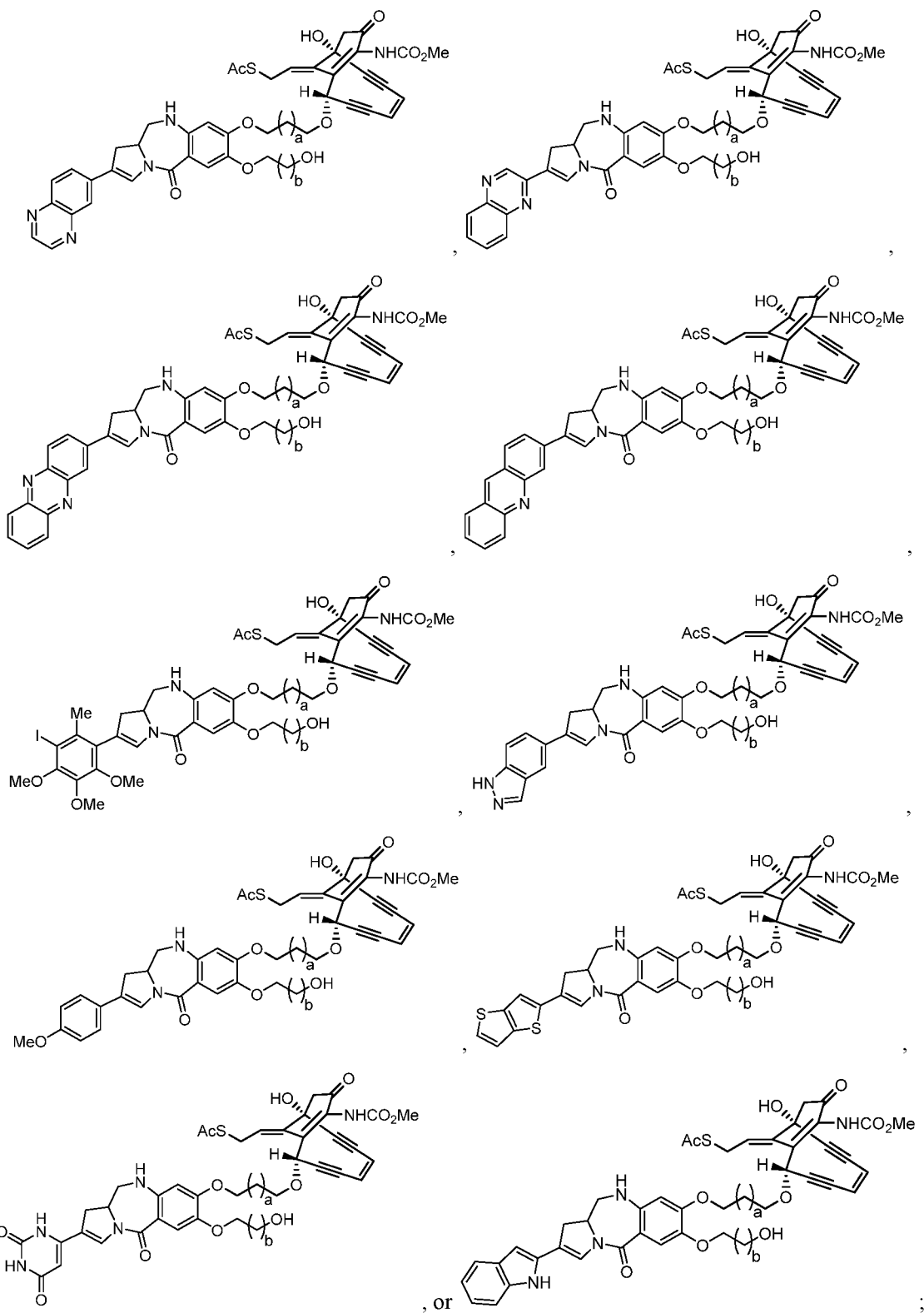
In other embodiments, the compound is further defined as:

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wherein:

a is 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5; and

b is 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

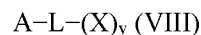
In still yet another aspect, the present disclosure provides pharmaceutical compositions comprising:

- (A) a compound of the present disclosure; and
- (B) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

5 In some embodiments, the pharmaceutical composition is formulated for administration: orally, intraadiposally, intraarterially, intraarticularly, intracranially, intradermally, intralesionally, intramuscularly, intranasally, intraocularly, intrapericardially, intraperitoneally, intrapleurally, intraprostatically, intrarectally, intrathecally, intratracheally, intratumorally, intraumbilically, intravaginally, intravenously, intravesicularly, intravitreally, liposomally, locally, mucosally, parenterally, rectally, subconjunctival, subcutaneously, sublingually, topically, transbuccally, transdermally, vaginally, in crèmes, in lipid compositions, via a catheter, via a lavage, via continuous infusion, via infusion, via inhalation, via injection, via local delivery, or via localized perfusion. In some embodiments, the pharmaceutical composition is formulated as a unit dose.

15 In still yet another aspect, present disclosure provides methods of treating a disease or disorder in a patient comprising administering to the patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of a compound or composition of the present disclosure. In some embodiments, the disease or disorder is cancer. In some embodiments, the cancer is a carcinoma, sarcoma, lymphoma, leukemia, melanoma, mesothelioma, multiple myeloma, or seminoma. In other embodiments, the cancer is of the bladder, blood, bone, brain, breast, central nervous system, cervix, colon, endometrium, esophagus, gall bladder, gastrointestinal tract, genitalia, genitourinary tract, head, kidney, larynx, liver, lung, muscle tissue, neck, oral or nasal mucosa, ovary, pancreas, prostate, skin, spleen, small intestine, large intestine, stomach, testicle, or thyroid. In some embodiments, the method comprises administering the compound or composition with a second therapeutic agent. In some embodiments, the second therapeutic agent is surgery, a second chemotherapeutic, radiotherapy, or immunotherapy. In some embodiments, the patient is a mammal such as a human. In some embodiments, the compound is administered once. In other embodiments, the compound is administered two or more times.

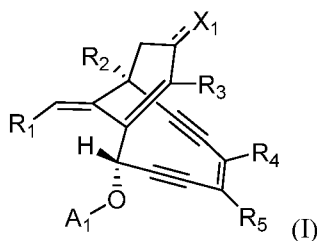
In still yet another aspect, the present disclosure provides antibody-drug conjugates comprising:



wherein:

- 30 A is an antibody or a nanoparticle;
- L is a covalent bond or a difunctional linker;
- X is a compound or composition of the present disclosure; and
- y is an integer selected from 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, or 20.

In still yet another aspect, the present disclosure provides methods of preparing a compound of the formula:



wherein:

5 R₁ is -alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃ or -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃; wherein:

A₃ is hydrogen or alkyl_(C≤12), cycloalkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), alkynyl_(C≤12), aryl_(C≤12), heteroaryl_(C≤12), aralkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; and

x is 1, 2, or 3;

10 R₂ is hydroxy, or alkoxy_(C≤8), acyloxy_(C≤8), or substituted version of either of these groups, or a protected hydroxy group;

R₃ is NHC(Y₂)R₁₆, wherein:

Y₂ is O, NH, or NOH; and

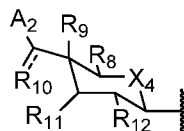
R₁₆ is alkoxy_(C≤8), alkenyloxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), or substituted version of any of these groups;

15 R₄ and R₅ are each independently selected from hydrogen and halo;

X₁ is O, S, or NH, or X₁ is a protected carbonyl wherein the protected carbonyl is a group of the formula -O(CH₂)_cO-, wherein c is 1, 2, 3, or 4;

A₁ is -alkanediyl_(C≤12)-C(O)-A₂ or -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤12)-C(O)-A₂; or

A₁ is:



wherein:

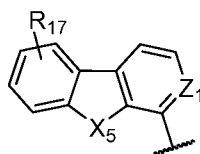
X₄ is -CH₂- or -O-;

R₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), cycloalkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), or substituted cycloalkyl_(C≤8);

R_9 is hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, mercapto, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylthio_(C≤8), substituted alkylthio_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group or a protected thiol group;

R_{10} is hydroxy, oxo, or R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} and is $-\text{OCH}_2\text{A}_4\text{O}-$; provided that when R_{10} is oxo then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a double bond, and when R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a single bond;

wherein A_4 is aryl_(C≤12) or substituted aryl_(C≤12), or



wherein:

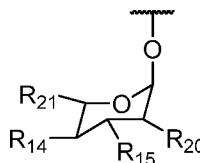
Z_1 is CH or N; and

R_{17} is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo, or nitro; or alkyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R_{11} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group;

R_{12} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group, or

$-\text{O}-\text{alkanediy}l_{(C≤8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C≤12)}$, $-\text{OC}(\text{O})-\text{alkanediy}l_{(C≤8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C≤12)}$, or $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{NH}-\text{alkanediy}l_{(C≤8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C≤12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups; or



wherein:

R_{14} is amino or hydroxy; or alkoxy_(C≤12), alkylamino_(C≤12), dialkylamino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups, or $-\text{NR}_a\text{R}_b$, wherein:

R_a and R_b are each hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤12), substituted alkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), substituted alkenyl_(C≤12),

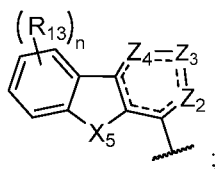
–C(O)O–alkanediyl_(C≤6)–R_c, –C(O)–alkanediyl_(C≤6)–R_c,
–alkanediyl_(C≤6)–R_c, or a substituted version of either of
these group; wherein:

5 R_c is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxyl, acyl_(C≤8),
alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8),
alkylsulfonyl_(C≤8), arylsulfonyl_(C≤8), or a
substituted version of either of these groups, or

a protected amino or hydroxy group;

10 R₁₅ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or a protected
hydroxy group;

R₂₀ and R₂₁ are hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), or
substituted alkoxy_(C≤8);



A₂ is hydrogen or

wherein:

15 X₅ is O, S, or NR₁₈; wherein:

R₁₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), acyl_(C≤8), or substituted
acyl_(C≤8), or ;

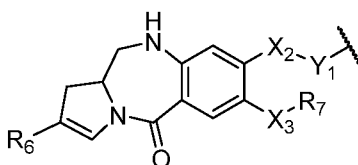
n is 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5;

Z₂, Z₃, and Z₄ are each independently N or CR₁₃; and

20 R₁₃ is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro;

alkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), acyloxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of
these groups, or a protected thiol, amino, or hydroxy group; or

A₁ is



25 wherein:

Y₁ is alkanediyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8);

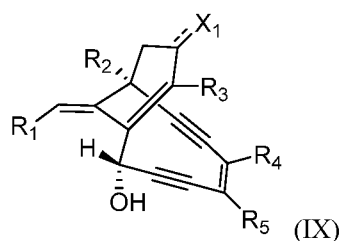
X_2 and X_3 are each independently selected from $-O-$, $-S-$, or $-NR_{19}-$, wherein:

R_{19} is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤6), or substituted alkyl_(C≤6);

R_6 is aryl_(C≤18), heteroaryl_(C≤18), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R_7 is alkyl_(C≤12) or substituted alkyl_(C≤12);

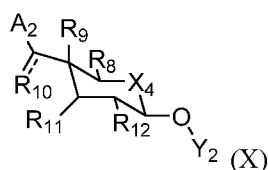
5 comprising reacting a compound of the formula:



wherein:

X_1 , R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , and R_5 are as defined above;

with a compound of the formula:

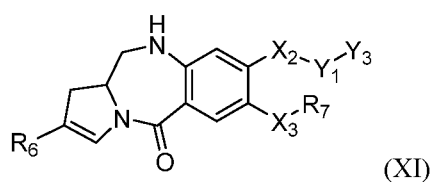


wherein:

X_4 , A_2 , R_8 , R_9 , R_{10} , R_{11} , and R_{12} are as defined above; and

Y_2 is hydrogen or an activating group; or

with a compound of the formula:



wherein:

Y_1 , X_2 , X_3 , R_6 , and R_7 are as defined above; and

Y_3 is a leaving group;

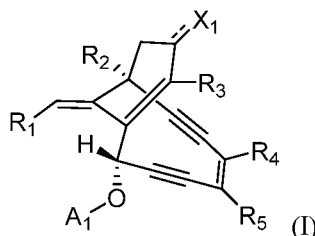
with a compound of the formula: Y_4 -alkanediyl_(C≤12)-C(O)- A_2 or Y_4 -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤12)-C(O)- A_2 ;

wherein:

Y_4 is a leaving group;

in the presence of a Lewis acid.

In some embodiments, the compound is further defined as:



5 wherein:

R_1 is $-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 8)}-(S)_x-A_3$ or $-\text{substituted alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 8)}-(S)_x-A_3$; wherein:

A_3 is hydrogen or $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{cycloalkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{alkenyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{alkynyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{aryl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{heteroaryl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{aralkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{acyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups; and

x is 1, 2, or 3;

10 R_2 is hydroxy, or $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{acyloxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted version of either of these groups, or a protected hydroxy group;

R_3 is $\text{NHC}(Y_2)R_{16}$, wherein:

Y_2 is O, NH, or NOH; and

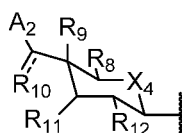
R_{16} is $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{alkylamino}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{dialkylamino}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted version of any of these groups;

15 R_4 and R_5 are each independently selected from hydrogen and halo;

X_1 is O, S, or NH, or X_1 is a protected carbonyl wherein the protected carbonyl is a group of the formula $-\text{O}(\text{CH}_2)_c\text{O}-$, wherein c is 1, 2, 3, or 4;

A_1 is $-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 12)}-\text{C}(\text{O})-A_2$ or $-\text{substituted alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 12)}-\text{C}(\text{O})-A_2$; or

A_1 is:



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wherein:

X_4 is $-\text{CH}_2-$ or $-\text{O}-$;

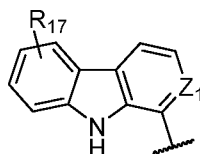
R_8 is hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{cycloalkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{substituted alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or $\text{substituted cycloalkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$;

R_9 is hydrogen, hydroxy, mercapto, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{substituted alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{alkylthio}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{substituted alkylthio}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or a protected hydroxy group or a protected thiol group;

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R_{10} is oxo or R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} and is $-OCHA_4O-$; provided that when R_{10} is oxo then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a double bond, and when R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a single bond;

5 wherein A_4 is $aryl_{(C \leq 12)}$ or substituted $aryl_{(C \leq 12)}$, or



wherein:

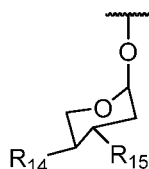
Z_1 is CH or N; and

10 R_{17} is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo, or nitro; or $alkyl_{(C \leq 12)}$, $alkoxy_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R_{11} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, or a protected hydroxy group;

R_{12} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, or a protected hydroxy group, or

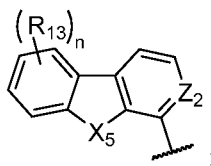
15 $-O-alkanediyl_{(C \leq 8)}-alkylamino_{(C \leq 12)}$, $-OC(O)-alkanediyl_{(C \leq 8)}-alkylamino_{(C \leq 12)}$, or $-OC(O)NH-alkanediyl_{(C \leq 8)}-alkylamino_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups; or



wherein:

R_{14} is amino or hydroxy; or $alkoxy_{(C \leq 12)}$, $alkylamino_{(C \leq 12)}$, $dialkyl-amino_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups, or a protected amino or hydroxy group;

20 R_{15} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, or a protected hydroxy group;



A_2 is hydrogen or

wherein:

X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

R_{18} is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), acyl_(C≤8), or substituted acyl_(C≤8),
or ;

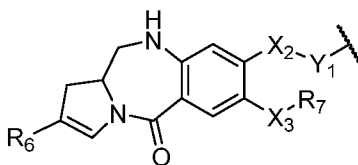
n is 1, 2, 3, or 4;

Z_2 is N or CH; and

5 R_{13} is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro;

alkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), acyloxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these
groups, or a protected thiol, amino, or hydroxy group; or

A_1 is



10 wherein:

Y_1 is alkanediyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8);

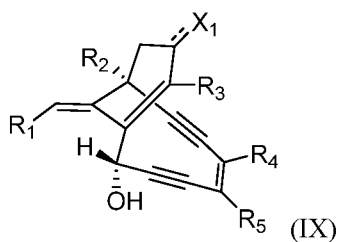
X_2 and X_3 are each independently selected from $-O-$, $-S-$, or $-NR_{19}-$, wherein:

R_{19} is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤6), or substituted alkyl_(C≤6);

R_6 is aryl_(C≤18), heteroaryl_(C≤18), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

15 R_7 is alkyl_(C≤12) or substituted alkyl_(C≤12);

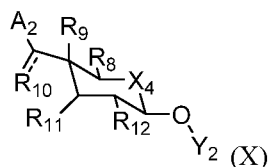
comprising reacting a compound of the formula:



wherein:

X_1 , R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , and R_5 are as defined above;

20 with a compound of the formula:

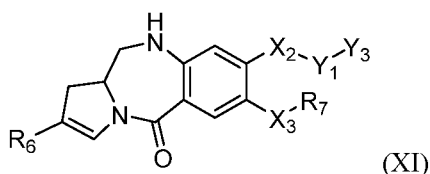


wherein:

X_4 , A_2 , R_8 , R_9 , R_{10} , R_{11} , and R_{12} are as defined above; and

Y_2 is hydrogen or an activating group; or

with a compound of the formula:



wherein:

Y_1 , X_2 , X_3 , R_6 , and R_7 are as defined above; and

Y_3 is a leaving group;

10 with a compound of the formula: Y_4 -alkanediyl_(C≤12)-C(O)- A_2 or Y_4 -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤12)-C(O)- A_2 ;

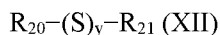
wherein:

Y_4 is a leaving group;

15 in the presence of a Lewis acid. In some embodiments, the Lewis acid is a boron compound. In some embodiments, the Lewis acid is boron trifluoride etherate. In some embodiments, the method further comprises one or more deprotection steps. In some embodiments, the method further comprises:

(A) deprotecting the R_1 group in the presence of a base to form the group: -alkanediyl_(C≤8)-SH or -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8)-SH; and

(B) reacting the free mercapto group with a group of the formula:



20 wherein:

R_{20} is an activating group;

y is 1 or 2; and

R_{21} is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤12), cycloalkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), alkynyl_(C≤12), aryl_(C≤12), heteroaryl_(C≤12), aralkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups;

25 to form a compound of formula I, wherein R_1 is:

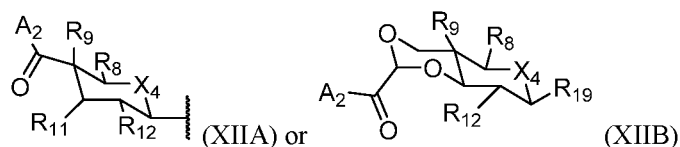
-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x- A_3 or -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x- A_3 ; wherein:

A_3 is hydrogen or alkyl_(C≤12), cycloalkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), alkynyl_(C≤12), aryl_(C≤12), heteroaryl_(C≤12), aralkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; and

x is 2 or 3.

In some embodiments, the activating group is a phthalimide group. In some embodiments, the method comprises one or more deprotection steps.

In yet another aspect, the present disclosure provides methods of preparing a compound of the
5 formula:



wherein:

X₄ is -CH₂- or -O-;

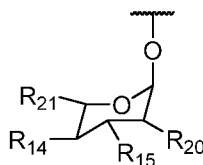
10 R₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), cycloalkyl_(C≤8), or substituted cycloalkyl_(C≤8);

R₉ is hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, mercapto, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylthio_(C≤8), substituted alkylthio_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group or a protected thiol group;

15 R₁₁ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group;

R₁₂ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group, or

20 -O-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12), -OC(O)-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12), or -OC(O)NH-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; or



wherein:

25 R₁₄ is amino or hydroxy; or alkoxy_(C≤12), alkylamino_(C≤12), dialkylamino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups, or -NR_aR_b, wherein:

R_a and R_b are each hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$,
 $\text{alkenyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, substituted $\text{alkenyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$,
 $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 6)}-\text{R}_c$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 6)}-\text{R}_c$,
 $-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 6)}-\text{R}_c$, or a substituted version of either of
 these group; wherein:

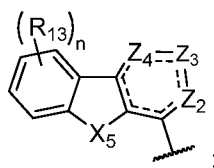
R_c is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxyl, $\text{acyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$,
 $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{alkylamino}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{dialkylamino}_{(C \leq 8)}$,
 $\text{alkylsulfonyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{arylsulfonyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or a
 substituted version of either of these groups; or

a protected amino or hydroxy group;

R_{15} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or a protected
 hydroxy group;

R_{20} and R_{21} are hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or
 substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$;

A_2 is:



wherein:

X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

R_{18} is hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{acyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted
 $\text{acyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$;

n is 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5;

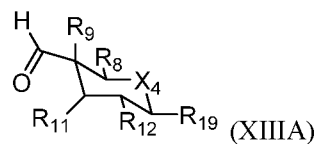
Z_2 , Z_3 , and Z_4 are each independently N or CR_{13} ; and

R_{13} is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro;

$\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{acyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{acyloxy}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of either of
 these groups, or a protected thiol, amino, or hydroxy group;

comprising:

(A) reacting a compound of the formula:

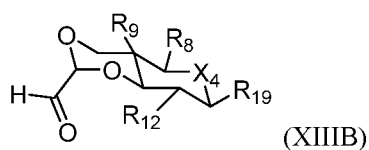


wherein:

X_4 , R_8 , R_9 , R_{10} , R_{11} , and R_{12} are as defined above; and

R_{19} is hydroxy or a protected hydroxy group; or

5 a compound of the formula:

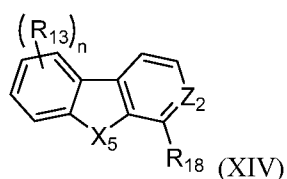


wherein:

X_4 , R_8 , R_9 , R_{10} , R_{11} , and R_{12} are as defined above; and

R_{19} is hydroxy or a protected hydroxy group;

10 with a compound of the formula:

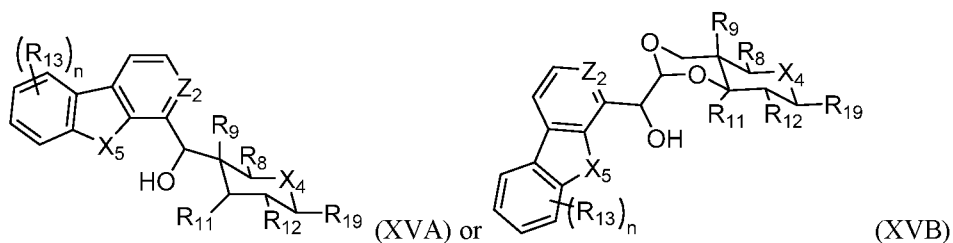


wherein:

X_5 , n , Z_2 , and R_{13} are as defined above; and

R_{18} is a halo group;

15 in the presence of an organolithium reagent to form a compound of the formula;

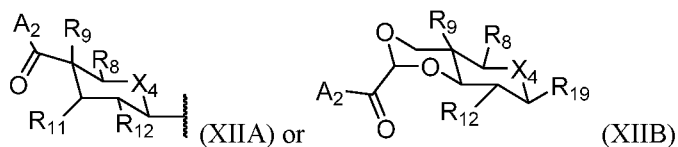


wherein:

n , X_4 , X_5 , Z_2 , R_8 , R_9 , R_{11} , R_{12} , R_{13} , and R_{19} ;

- (B) reacting the compound of formulas (XVA or XVB) in the presence of an oxidizing agent to the compound of formulas XIIA or XIIB.

In some embodiments, the compounds are further defined as:



5 wherein:

X₄ is -CH₂- or -O-;

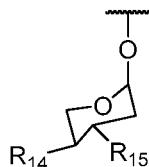
R₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), or substituted alkyl_(C≤8);

R₉ is hydrogen, hydroxy, mercapto, alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylthio_(C≤8), substituted alkylthio_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group or a protected thiol group;

10 R₁₁ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group;

R₁₂ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group, or

-O-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12), -OC(O)-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12), or
-OC(O)NH-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; or



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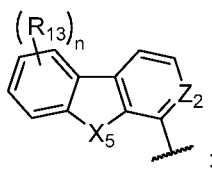
wherein:

R₁₄ is amino or hydroxy; or alkoxy_(C≤12), alkylamino_(C≤12), dialkyl-amino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups, or a protected amino or hydroxy group;

R₁₅ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group;

20

A₂ is:



wherein:

X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

R_{18} is hydrogen, $alkyl_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted $alkyl_{(C \leq 8)}$, $acyl_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted $acyl_{(C \leq 8)}$;

n is 1, 2, 3, or 4;

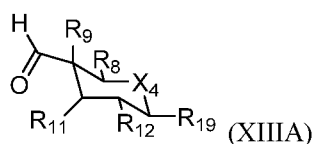
5 Z_2 is N or CH; and

R_{13} is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro;

$alkyl_{(C \leq 12)}$, $acyl_{(C \leq 12)}$, $alkoxy_{(C \leq 12)}$, $acyloxy_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups, or a protected thiol, amino, or hydroxy group;

comprising:

10 (A) reacting a compound of the formula:

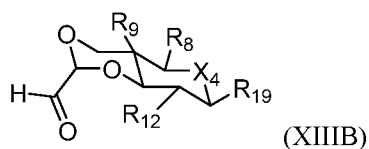


wherein:

X_4 , R_8 , R_9 , R_{10} , R_{11} , and R_{12} are as defined above; and

R_{19} is hydroxy or a protected hydroxy group; or

15 a compound of the formula:

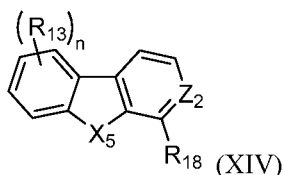


wherein:

X_4 , R_8 , R_9 , R_{10} , R_{11} , and R_{12} are as defined above; and

R_{19} is hydroxy or a protected hydroxy group;

20 with a compound of the formula:

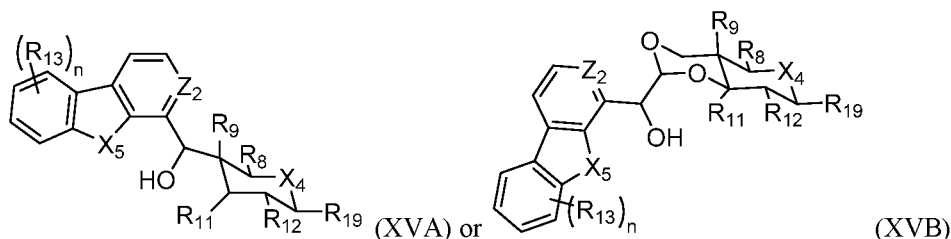


wherein:

X_5 , n , Z_2 , and R_{13} are as defined above; and

R₁₈ is a halo group;

in the presence of an organolithium reagent to form a compound of the formula;



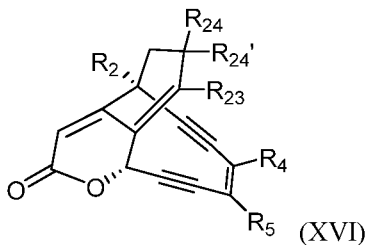
wherein:

5 n, X₄, X₅, Z₂, R₈, R₉, R₁₁, R₁₂, R₁₃, and R₁₉;

(B) reacting the compound of formulas (XVA or XVB) in the presence of an oxidizing agent to the compound of formulas XIIA or XIIB.

In some embodiments, the organolithium reagent is a butyllithium. In some embodiments, the organolithium reagent is *t*-butyllithium. In some embodiments, the compound of formula XIV is added before the compound of formula XIII. In some embodiments, the oxidizing agent is a hypervalent iodide reagent. In some embodiments, the oxidizing agent is Dess-Martin periodinane. In some embodiments, the method comprises one or more deprotection steps.

In still yet another aspect, the present disclosure provides methods of preparing a compound of the formula:



wherein:

R₂ is hydroxy, or alkoxy_(C≤8), acyloxy_(C≤8), or substituted version of either of these groups, or a protected hydroxyl group;

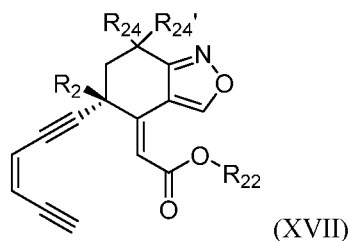
R₂₃ is a divalently protected amino group; and

20 R₂₄ and R_{24'} are a group of the formula -O(CH₂)_eO-, wherein e is 1, 2, 3, or 4, or R₂₄ and R_{24'} are taken together and are an oxo group; provided that when R₂₄ and R_{24'} are taken together then the atom to which they are bound is part of a double bond and when the atom to which R₂₄ and R_{24'} are bound then R₂₄ and R_{24'} are oxo;

R₄ and R₅ are each independently selected from hydrogen and halo;

comprising:

(A) reacting a compound of the formula:

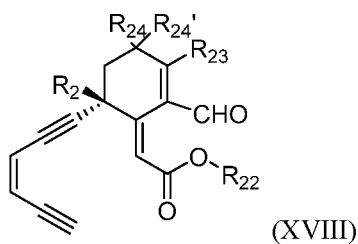


wherein:

5 R_2 , R_{24} , and R_{24}' are as defined above; and

R_{22} is alkyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkyl_(C≤8);

in the presence of an iron source and a protonated amine and followed by a divalent amine protecting agent to form a compound of the formula:



10 wherein:

R_2 , R_{22} , R_{24} , and R_{24}' are as defined above; and

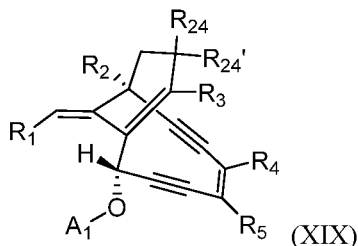
R_{23} is a divalently protected amino group;

(B) reacting the compound of the formula XVIII with a strong base in the presence of a Lewis acid to obtain a compound of the formula XVI.

15 In some embodiments, the iron source is metallic iron. In some embodiments, the protonated amine is a primary protonated amine. In some embodiments, the protonated amine is ammonium chloride. In some embodiments, the divalent amine protecting agent is phthaloyl chloride. In some embodiments, the strong base is a disilylamide. In some embodiments, the strong base is lithium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide. In some embodiments, the Lewis acid is a mixture of two or more metal salts. In some embodiments, the Lewis acid comprises a mixture of a first metal salt and a second metal salt. In some embodiments, the first metal salt is a lanthanum salt. In some embodiments, the first metal salt is LaCl_3 . In some embodiments, the second metal salt is a lithium salt. In some embodiments, the second metal salt is lithium chloride. In some embodiments, the first metal salt and the second metal salt are present in a ratio from about 1:4 to about 4:1. In some embodiments, the ratio of the first metal salt to the second metal salt is 1:2.

25 In some embodiments, the method further comprises one or more deprotection steps.

In yet another aspect, the present disclosure provides methods of preparing a compound of the formula:



wherein:

5 R₁ is -alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃ or -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃; wherein:

A₃ is hydrogen or alkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), alkynyl_(C≤12), aryl_(C≤12), heteroaryl_(C≤12), aralkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; and

x is 1, 2, or 3;

10 R₂ is hydroxy, or alkoxy_(C≤8), acyloxy_(C≤8), or substituted version of either of these groups, or a protected hydroxy group;

R₃ is NHC(Y₂)R₁₆, wherein:

Y₂ is O, NH, or NOH; and

R₁₆ is alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), or substituted version of any of these groups;

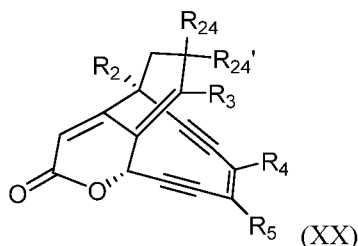
15 R₄ and R₅ are each independently selected from hydrogen and halo; and

R₂₄ and R₂₄' are a group of the formula -O(CH₂)_eO-, wherein e is 1, 2, 3, or 4, or R₂₄ and R₂₄' are taken together and are an oxo group; provided that when R₂₄ and R₂₄' are taken together then the atom to which they are bound is part of a double bond and when the atom to which R₂₄ and R₂₄' are bound then R₂₄ and R₂₄' are oxo;

20 A₁ is hydrogen or a hydroxy protecting group;

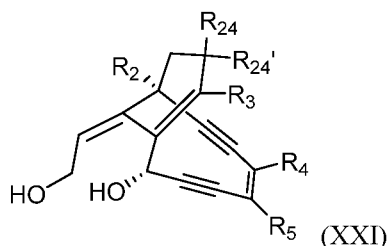
comprising the following steps:

(A) reacting a compound of the formula:



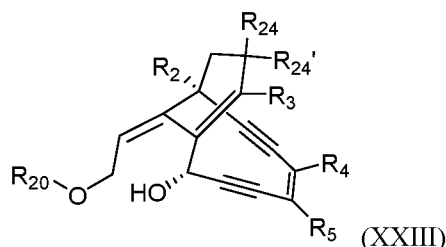
wherein: X₁, R₂, R₃, R₄, R₅, R₂₄, and R₂₄' are as defined herein;

with a reducing agent in the presence of a transition metal additive to form a compound of the formula:



wherein: X_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_{24} , and R_{24}' are as defined herein;

- 5 (B) reacting the compound of formula XXI with an activating agent to form a compound of the formula:



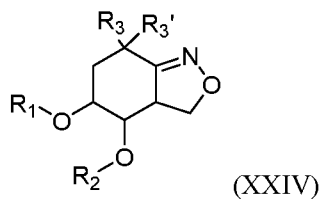
wherein: X_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_{24} , and R_{24}' are as defined herein; and

R_{20} is a leaving group; and

- 10 (C) reacting the compound of the formula XXIII with a compound of the formula: HSR_{21} , wherein R_{21} is alkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), alkynyl_(C≤12), aryl_(C≤12), heteroaryl_(C≤12), aralkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups in the presence of a phosphine_(C≤24) and an azo compound to form a compound of the formula XIX.

In some embodiments, the reducing agent is a boron compound. In some embodiments, the reducing agent is sodium borohydride. In some embodiments, the transition metal additive is lanthanide. In some embodiments, the transition metal additive is a cerium compound. In some embodiments, the transition metal additive is $CeCl_3$ or a hydrate thereof. In some embodiments, the transition metal additive is $CeCl_3 \cdot 7H_2O$. In some embodiments, the activating agent is trimethylsilyl cyanide. In some embodiments, R_{21} is acyl_(C≤12) or substituted acyl_(C≤12). In some embodiments, R_{21} is acetyl. In some embodiments, $H_3CC(O)SH$. In some embodiments, the phosphine_(C≤24) is triphenyl phosphine. In some embodiments, the azo compound is diethyl azodicarboxylate or diisopropyl azodicarboxylate. In some embodiments, the azo compound is diethyl azodicarboxylate.

In still yet another aspect, the present disclosure provides methods of preparing a compound of the formula:

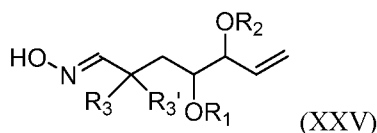


wherein:

R_1 and R_2 are hydrogen or a hydroxy protecting group;

5 R_3 and R_3' are a group of the formula $-O(CH_2)_eO-$, wherein e is 1, 2, 3, or 4, or R_3 and R_3' are taken together and are an oxo group; provided that when R_3 and R_3' are taken together then the atom to which they are bound is part of a double bond and when the atom to which R_3 and R_3' are bound then R_3 and R_3' are oxo;

comprising reacting a compound of the formula:



10 wherein: R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , and R_3' are as defined above;

in the presence of a compound of the formula R_4OCl in a hydrocarbon_(C≤12) solvent;

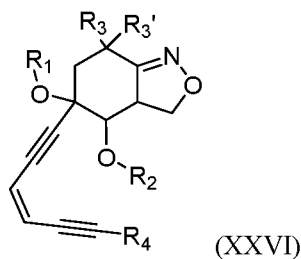
wherein:

R_4 is alkyl_(C≤8) or a substituted alkyl_(C≤8);

to form a compound of the formula XXV.

15 In some embodiments, R_4 is alkyl_(C≤8). In some embodiments, R_4 is *t*-butyl. In some embodiments, the hydrocarbon_(C≤12) solvent is an aromatic solvent_(C≤12). In some embodiments, the hydrocarbon_(C≤12) solvent is benzene.

In still yet another aspect, the present disclosure provides a method of preparing a compound of the formula:



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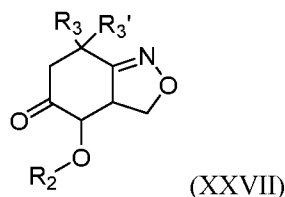
wherein:

R_1 and R_2 are hydrogen or a hydroxy protecting group;

R_3 and R_3' are a group of the formula $-O(CH_2)_eO-$, wherein e is 1, 2, 3, or 4, or R_3 and R_3' are taken together and are an oxo group; provided that when R_3 and R_3' are taken together then the atom to which they are bound is part of a double bond and when the atom to which R_3 and R_3' are bound then R_3 and R_3' are oxo;

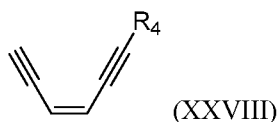
5 R_4 is hydrogen, alkylsilyl_(C≤12), or substituted alkylsilyl_(C≤12);

comprising reacting a compound of the formula:



wherein: R_2 , R_3 , and R_3' are as defined above;

with a compound of the formula:



wherein: R_4 is as defined above;

in the presence of an organolithium compound and a metal salt followed by the addition of a electrophilic compound.

In some embodiments, the organolithium compound is a strong lithium base. In some
 15 embodiments, the organolithium compound is lithium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide. In some embodiments, the metal salt is a mixture of metal salt. In some embodiments, the mixture of metal salt is a first metal salt or a second metal salt. In some embodiments, the first metal salt is a lanthanide metal salt. In some embodiments, the first metal salt is $LaCl_3$. In some embodiments, the second metal salt is a lithium salt. In some embodiments, the second metal salt is lithium chloride. In some embodiments, the electrophilic
 20 compound is water. In other embodiments, the electrophilic compound is a diacyl_(C≤18) anhydride. In some embodiments, the electrophilic compound is acetic anhydride.

In some embodiments, the method further comprises one or more deprotection steps. In still other embodiments, the method further comprises one or more purification steps.

It is contemplated that any method or composition described herein can be implemented with
 25 respect to any other method or composition described herein. For example, a compound synthesized by one method may be used in the preparation of a final compound according to a different method.

The use of the word “a” or “an” when used in conjunction with the term “comprising” in the claims and/or the specification may mean “one,” but it is also consistent with the meaning of “one or more,” “at least one,” and “one or more than one.” The word “about” means plus or minus 5% of the stated number.

5 Other objects, features and advantages of the present disclosure will become apparent from the following detailed description. It should be understood, however, that the detailed description and the specific examples, while indicating specific embodiments of the disclosure, are given by way of illustration only, since various changes and modifications within the spirit and scope of the disclosure will become apparent to those skilled in the art from this detailed description.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGURES

The following drawings form part of the present specification and are included to further demonstrate certain aspects of the present invention. The invention may be better understood by reference to one or more of these drawings in combination with the detailed description.

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FIG. 1 – Retrosynthesis of Shishijimicin A. TBS = *t*-butyldimethylsilyl; TES = triethylsilyl; Ac = acetyl; Alloc = allyloxycarbonyl; Bz = benzoyl; MEM = (2-methoxyethoxy)methyl; Nap = 2-naphthylmethyl; NB = *o*-nitrobenzyl.

10 **FIGS. 2A-2C** – Plot of the cytotoxicity of shishijimicin A and analogs on MES SA cells (**FIG. 2A**), MES DX cells (**FIG. 2B**), and 293T cells (**FIG. 2C**).

FIGS. 3A-3C – Plot of the cytotoxicity of shishijimicin A analogs (KCN-LL-3, KCN-LL-4, and KCN-LL-5 with positive control, *N*-acetyl calicheamicin) on MES SA cells (**FIG. 3A**), MES DX cells (**FIG. 3B**), and 293T cells (**FIG. 3C**).

15 **FIGS. 4A-4C** – Plot of the cytotoxicity of shishijimicin analogs (KCN-LL-3, KCN-LL-4, and KCN-LL-5) on MES SA cells (**FIG. 4A**), MES DX cells (**FIG. 4B**), and 293T cells (**FIG. 4C**).

DESCRIPTION OF ILLUSTRATIVE EMBODIMENTS

The present disclosure relates to new analogs of shishijimicin useful for the treatment of cancer or another hyperproliferative disease. In some embodiments, the trisulfur moiety has been replaced with a disulfide. In some embodiments, these compounds are used in antibody drug conjugates which may be useful for the treatment of cancer.

I. Compounds and Formulations Thereof

A. Compounds

The compounds provided by the present disclosure are shown, for example, above in the summary of the invention section and in the examples and claims below. They may be made using the methods outlined in the Examples section. The shishijimicin analogs described herein can be synthesized according to the methods described, for example, in the Examples section below. These methods can be further modified and optimized using the principles and techniques of organic chemistry as applied by a person skilled in the art. Such principles and techniques are taught, for example, in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry: Reactions, Mechanisms, and Structure* (2007), which is incorporated by reference herein.

The shishijimicin analogs described herein may contain one or more asymmetrically-substituted carbon or nitrogen atoms, and may be isolated in optically active or racemic form. Thus, all chiral, diastereomeric, racemic form, epimeric form, and all geometric isomeric forms of a chemical formula are intended, unless the specific stereochemistry or isomeric form is specifically indicated. Compounds may occur as racemates and racemic mixtures, single enantiomers, diastereomeric mixtures and individual diastereomers. In some embodiments, a single diastereomer is obtained. The chiral centers of the compounds of the present disclosure can have the *S* or the *R* configuration.

Chemical formulas used to represent the shishijimicin analogs described herein will typically only show one of possibly several different tautomers. For example, many types of ketone groups are known to exist in equilibrium with corresponding enol groups. Similarly, many types of imine groups exist in equilibrium with enamine groups. Regardless of which tautomer is depicted for a given compound, and regardless of which one is most prevalent, all tautomers of a given chemical formula are intended.

The shishijimicin analogs described herein may also have the advantage that they may be more efficacious than, be less toxic than, be longer acting than, be more potent than, produce fewer side effects than, be more easily absorbed than, and/or have a better pharmacokinetic profile (*e.g.*, higher oral bioavailability and/or lower clearance) than, and/or have other useful pharmacological, physical, or chemical properties over, compounds known in the prior art, whether for use in the indications stated herein or otherwise.

In addition, atoms making up the shishijimicin analogs described herein are intended to include all isotopic forms of such atoms. Isotopes, as used herein, include those atoms having the same atomic number but different mass numbers. By way of general example and without limitation, isotopes of hydrogen include tritium and deuterium, and isotopes of carbon include ¹³C and ¹⁴C.

The shishijimicin analogs described herein may also exist in prodrug form. Since prodrugs are known to enhance numerous desirable qualities of pharmaceuticals (*e.g.*, solubility, bioavailability, manufacturing, *etc.*), the compounds employed in some methods of the disclosure may, if desired, be delivered in prodrug form. Thus, the invention contemplates prodrugs of compounds of the present invention as well as methods of delivering prodrugs. Prodrugs of the shishijimicin analogs described herein may be prepared by modifying functional groups present in the compound in such a way that the modifications are cleaved, either in routine manipulation or *in vivo*, to the parent compound. Accordingly, prodrugs include, for example, compounds described herein in which a hydroxy, amino, or carboxy group is bonded to any group that, when the prodrug is administered to a subject, cleaves to form a hydroxy, amino, or carboxylic acid, respectively.

It should be recognized that the particular anion or cation forming a part of any salt form of a compound provided herein is not critical, so long as the salt, as a whole, is pharmacologically acceptable. Additional examples of pharmaceutically acceptable salts and their methods of preparation and use are presented in *Handbook of Pharmaceutical Salts: Properties, and Use* (2002), which is incorporated herein by reference.

Those skilled in the art of organic chemistry will appreciate that many organic compounds can form complexes with solvents in which they are reacted or from which they are precipitated or crystallized. These complexes are known as “solvates.” For example, a complex with water is known as a “hydrate.” Solvates of the shishijimicin analogs described herein are within the scope of the invention. It will also be appreciated by those skilled in organic chemistry that many organic compounds can exist in more than one crystalline form. For example, crystalline form may vary from solvate to solvate. Thus, all crystalline forms of the shishijimicin analogs described herein are within the scope of the present invention.

B. Formulations

In some embodiments of the present disclosure, the compounds are included a pharmaceutical formulation. Materials for use in the preparation of microspheres and/or microcapsules are, *e.g.*, biodegradable/bioerodible polymers such as polygalactin, poly-(isobutyl cyanoacrylate), poly(2-hydroxyethyl-L-glutamine) and, poly(lactic acid). Biocompatible carriers that may be used when formulating a controlled release parenteral formulation are carbohydrates (*e.g.*, dextrans), proteins (*e.g.*, albumin), lipoproteins, or antibodies. Materials for use in implants can be non-biodegradable (*e.g.*, polydimethyl siloxane) or biodegradable (*e.g.*, poly(caprolactone), poly(lactic acid), poly(glycolic acid) or poly(ortho esters) or combinations thereof).

Formulations for oral use include tablets containing the active ingredient(s) (*e.g.*, the shishijimicin analogs described herein) in a mixture with non-toxic pharmaceutically acceptable excipients. Such formulations are known to the skilled artisan. Excipients may be, for example, inert diluents or fillers (*e.g.*, sucrose, sorbitol, sugar, mannitol, microcrystalline cellulose, starches including potato starch, calcium carbonate, sodium chloride, lactose, calcium phosphate, calcium sulfate, or sodium phosphate); granulating and disintegrating agents (*e.g.*, cellulose derivatives including microcrystalline cellulose, starches

including potato starch, croscarmellose sodium, alginates, or alginic acid); binding agents (*e.g.*, sucrose, glucose, sorbitol, acacia, alginic acid, sodium alginate, gelatin, starch, pregelatinized starch, microcrystalline cellulose, magnesium aluminum silicate, carboxymethylcellulose sodium, methylcellulose, hydroxypropyl methylcellulose, ethylcellulose, polyvinylpyrrolidone, or polyethylene glycol); and lubricating agents, glidants, and anti-adhesives (*e.g.*, magnesium stearate, zinc stearate, stearic acid, silicas, hydrogenated vegetable oils, or talc). Other pharmaceutically acceptable excipients can be colorants, flavoring agents, plasticizers, humectants, buffering agents, and the like.

The tablets may be uncoated or they may be coated by known techniques, optionally to delay disintegration and absorption in the gastrointestinal tract and thereby providing a sustained action over a longer period. The coating may be adapted to release the active drug in a predetermined pattern (*e.g.*, in order to achieve a controlled release formulation) or it may be adapted not to release the active drug until after passage of the stomach (enteric coating). The coating may be a sugar coating, a film coating (*e.g.*, based on hydroxypropyl methylcellulose, methylcellulose, methyl hydroxyethylcellulose, hydroxypropylcellulose, carboxymethylcellulose, acrylate copolymers, polyethylene glycols and/or polyvinylpyrrolidone), or an enteric coating (*e.g.*, based on methacrylic acid copolymer, cellulose acetate phthalate, hydroxypropyl methylcellulose phthalate, hydroxypropyl methylcellulose acetate succinate, polyvinyl acetate phthalate, shellac, and/or ethylcellulose). Furthermore, a time delay material, such as, *e.g.*, glyceryl monostearate or glyceryl distearate may be employed.

II. Cancer and Other Hyperproliferative Diseases

While hyperproliferative diseases can be associated with any disease which causes a cell to begin to reproduce uncontrollably, the prototypical example is cancer. One of the key elements of cancer is that the cell's normal apoptotic cycle is interrupted and thus agents that interrupt the growth of the cells are important as therapeutic agents for treating these diseases. In this disclosure, the shishijimicin analogs described herein may be used to lead to decreased cell counts and as such can potentially be used to treat a variety of types of cancer lines. In some aspects, it is anticipated that the shishijimicin analogs described herein may be used to treat virtually any malignancy.

Cancer cells that may be treated with the compounds of the present disclosure include but are not limited to cells from the bladder, blood, bone, bone marrow, brain, breast, colon, esophagus, gastrointestinal, gum, head, kidney, liver, lung, nasopharynx, neck, ovary, prostate, skin, stomach, pancreas, testis, tongue, cervix, or uterus. In addition, the cancer may specifically be of the following histological type, though it is not limited to these: neoplasm, malignant; carcinoma; carcinoma, undifferentiated; giant and spindle cell carcinoma; small cell carcinoma; papillary carcinoma; squamous cell carcinoma; lymphoepithelial carcinoma; basal cell carcinoma; pilomatrix carcinoma; transitional cell carcinoma; papillary transitional cell carcinoma; adenocarcinoma; gastrinoma, malignant; cholangiocarcinoma; hepatocellular carcinoma; combined hepatocellular carcinoma and cholangiocarcinoma; trabecular adenocarcinoma; adenoid cystic carcinoma; adenocarcinoma in adenomatous polyp; adenocarcinoma, familial polyposis coli; solid carcinoma; carcinoid tumor, malignant; *in situ* pulmonary adenocarcinoma;

papillary adenocarcinoma; chromophobe carcinoma; acidophil carcinoma; oxyphilic adenocarcinoma; basophil carcinoma; clear cell adenocarcinoma; granular cell carcinoma; follicular adenocarcinoma; papillary and follicular adenocarcinoma; nonencapsulating sclerosing carcinoma; adrenal cortical carcinoma; endometroid carcinoma; skin appendage carcinoma; apocrine adenocarcinoma; sebaceous

5 adenocarcinoma; ceruminous adenocarcinoma; mucoepidermoid carcinoma; cystadenocarcinoma; papillary cystadenocarcinoma; papillary serous cystadenocarcinoma; mucinous cystadenocarcinoma; mucinous adenocarcinoma; signet ring cell carcinoma; infiltrating duct carcinoma; medullary carcinoma; lobular carcinoma; inflammatory carcinoma; Paget's disease, mammary; acinar cell carcinoma; adenosquamous carcinoma; adenocarcinoma w/squamous metaplasia; thymoma, malignant; ovarian

10 stromal tumor, malignant; thecoma, malignant; granulosa cell tumor, malignant; androblastoma, malignant; sertoli cell carcinoma; Leydig cell tumor, malignant; lipid cell tumor, malignant; paraganglioma, malignant; extra-mammary paraganglioma, malignant; pheochromocytoma; glomangiosarcoma; malignant melanoma; amelanotic melanoma; superficial spreading melanoma; malignant melanoma in giant pigmented nevus; epithelioid cell melanoma; blue nevus, malignant;

15 sarcoma; fibrosarcoma; fibrous histiocyoma, malignant; myxosarcoma; liposarcoma; leiomyosarcoma; rhabdomyosarcoma; embryonal rhabdomyosarcoma; alveolar rhabdomyosarcoma; stromal sarcoma; mixed tumor, malignant; Mullerian mixed tumor; nephroblastoma; hepatoblastoma; carcinosarcoma; mesenchymoma, malignant; Brenner tumor, malignant; phyllodes tumor, malignant; synovial sarcoma; mesothelioma, malignant; dysgerminoma; embryonal carcinoma; teratoma, malignant; struma ovarii,

20 malignant; choriocarcinoma; mesonephroma, malignant; hemangiosarcoma; hemangioendothelioma, malignant; Kaposi's sarcoma; hemangiopericytoma, malignant; lymphangiosarcoma; osteosarcoma; juxtacortical osteosarcoma; chondrosarcoma; chondroblastoma, malignant; mesenchymal chondrosarcoma; giant cell tumor of bone; Ewing's sarcoma; odontogenic tumor, malignant; ameloblastic odontosarcoma; ameloblastoma, malignant; ameloblastic fibrosarcoma; pinealoma, malignant; chordoma;

25 glioma, malignant; ependymoma; astrocytoma; protoplasmic astrocytoma; fibrillary astrocytoma; astroblastoma; glioblastoma; oligodendroglioma; oligodendroblastoma; primitive neuroectodermal; cerebellar sarcoma; ganglioneuroblastoma; neuroblastoma; retinoblastoma; olfactory neurogenic tumor; meningioma, malignant; neurofibrosarcoma; neurilemmoma, malignant; granular cell tumor, malignant; malignant lymphoma; Hodgkin's disease; paraganuloma; malignant lymphoma, small lymphocytic;

30 malignant lymphoma, large cell, diffuse; malignant lymphoma, follicular; mycosis fungoides; other specified non-Hodgkin's lymphomas; malignant histiocytosis; multiple myeloma; mast cell sarcoma; immunoproliferative small intestinal disease; leukemia; lymphoid leukemia; plasma cell leukemia; erythroleukemia; lymphosarcoma cell leukemia; myeloid leukemia; basophilic leukemia; eosinophilic leukemia; monocytic leukemia; mast cell leukemia; megakaryoblastic leukemia; myeloid sarcoma; and

35 hairy cell leukemia. In certain aspects, the tumor may comprise an osteosarcoma, angiosarcoma, rhabdosarcoma, leiomyosarcoma, Ewing sarcoma, glioblastoma, neuroblastoma, or leukemia.

III. Cell Targeting Moieties

In some aspects, the present disclosure provides compounds conjugated directly or through linkers to a cell targeting moiety. In some embodiments, the conjugation of the compound to a cell targeting moiety increases the efficacy of the compound in treating a disease or disorder. Cell targeting moieties according to the embodiments may be, for example, an antibody, a growth factor, a hormone, a peptide, an aptamer, a small molecule such as a hormone, an imaging agent, or cofactor, or a cytokine. For instance, a cell targeting moiety according the embodiments may bind to a liver cancer cell such as a Hep3B cell. It has been demonstrated that the gp240 antigen is expressed in a variety of melanomas but not in normal tissues. Thus, in some embodiments, the compounds of the present disclosure may be used in conjugates with an antibody for a specific antigen that is expressed by a cancer cell but not in normal tissues.

In certain additional embodiments, it is envisioned that cancer cell targeting moieties bind to multiple types of cancer cells. For example, the 8H9 monoclonal antibody and the single chain antibodies derived therefrom bind to a glycoprotein that is expressed on breast cancers, sarcomas and neuroblastomas (Onda *et al.*, 2004). Another example is the cell targeting agents described in U.S. Patent Publication No. 2004/005647 and in Winthrop *et al.* (2003) that bind to MUC-1, an antigen that is expressed on a variety of cancer types. Thus, it will be understood that in certain embodiments, cell targeting constructs according to the embodiments may be targeted against a plurality of cancer or tumor types.

Additionally, certain cell surface molecules are highly expressed in tumor cells, including hormone receptors such as human chorionic gonadotropin receptor and gonadotropin releasing hormone receptor (Nechushtan *et al.*, 1997). Therefore, the corresponding hormones may be used as the cell-specific targeting moieties in cancer therapy. Additionally, the cell targeting moiety that may be used may include a cofactor, a sugar, a drug molecule, an imaging agent, or a fluorescent dye. Many cancerous cells are known to overexpress folate receptors and thus folic acid or other folate derivatives may be used as conjugates to trigger cell-specific interaction between the conjugates of the present disclosure and a cell (Campbell, *et al.*, 1991; Weitman, *et al.*, 1992).

Since a large number of cell surface receptors have been identified in hematopoietic cells of various lineages, ligands or antibodies specific for these receptors may be used as cell-specific targeting moieties. IL-2 may also be used as a cell-specific targeting moiety in a chimeric protein to target IL-2R+ cells. Alternatively, other molecules such as B7-1, B7-2 and CD40 may be used to specifically target activated T cells (The Leucocyte Antigen Facts Book, 1993, Barclay *et al.* (eds.), Academic Press). Furthermore, B cells express CD19, CD40 and IL-4 receptor and may be targeted by moieties that bind these receptors, such as CD40 ligand, IL-4, IL-5, IL-6 and CD28. The elimination of immune cells such as T cells and B cells is particularly useful in the treatment of lymphoid tumors.

Other cytokines that may be used to target specific cell subsets include the interleukins (IL-1 through IL-15), granulocyte-colony stimulating factor, macrophage-colony stimulating factor, granulocyte-macrophage colony stimulating factor, leukemia inhibitory factor, tumor necrosis factor, transforming growth factor, epidermal growth factor, insulin-like growth factors, and/or fibroblast growth factor (Thompson (ed.), 1994, The Cytokine Handbook, Academic Press, San Diego). In some aspects, the

targeting polypeptide is a cytokine that binds to the Fn14 receptor, such as TWEAK (see, *e.g.*, Winkles, 2008; Zhou *et al.*, 2011 and Burkly *et al.*, 2007, incorporated herein by reference).

A skilled artisan recognizes that there are a variety of known cytokines, including hematopoietins (four-helix bundles) (such as EPO (erythropoietin), IL-2 (T-cell growth factor), IL-3 (multicolony CSF), IL-4 (BCGF-1, BSF-1), IL-5 (BCGF-2), IL-6, IL-4 (IFN- β 2, BSF-2, BCDF), IL-7, IL-8, IL-9, IL-11, IL-13 (P600), G-CSF, IL-15 (T-cell growth factor), GM-CSF (granulocyte macrophage colony stimulating factor), OSM (OM, oncostatin M), and LIF (leukemia inhibitory factor)); interferons (such as IFN- γ , IFN- α , and IFN- β); immunoglobulin superfamily (such as B7.1 (CD80), and B7.2 (B70, CD86)); TNF family (such as TNF- α (cachectin), TNF- β (lymphotoxin, LT, LT- α), LT- β , CD40 ligand (CD40L), Fas ligand (FasL), CD27 ligand (CD27L), CD30 ligand (CD30L), and 4-1BBL)); and those unassigned to a particular family (such as TGF- β , IL 1 α , IL-1 β , IL-1 RA, IL-10 (cytokine synthesis inhibitor F), IL-12 (NK cell stimulatory factor), MIF, IL-16, IL-17 (mCTLA-8), and/or IL-18 (IGIF, interferon- γ inducing factor)). Furthermore, the Fc portion of the heavy chain of an antibody may be used to target Fc receptor-expressing cells such as the use of the Fc portion of an IgE antibody to target mast cells and basophils.

Furthermore, in some aspects, the cell-targeting moiety may be a peptide sequence or a cyclic peptide. Examples, cell- and tissue-targeting peptides that may be used with the embodiments described herein are provided, for instance, in U.S. Patent Nos. 6,232,287; 6,528,481; 7,452,964; 7,671,010; 7,781,565; 8,507,445; and 8,450,278, each of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Thus, in some embodiments, cell targeting moieties are antibodies or avimers. Antibodies and avimers can be generated against virtually any cell surface marker thus, providing a method for targeted to delivery of GrB to virtually any cell population of interest. Methods for generating antibodies that may be used as cell targeting moieties are detailed below. Methods for generating avimers that bind to a given cell surface marker are detailed in U.S. Patent Publications Nos. 2006/0234299 and 2006/0223114, each incorporated herein by reference.

Additionally, it is contemplated that the compounds described herein may be conjugated to a nanoparticle or other nanomaterial. Some non-limiting examples of nanoparticles include metal nanoparticles such as gold or silver nanoparticles or polymeric nanoparticles such as poly-L-lactic acid or poly(ethylene) glycol polymers. Nanoparticles and nanomaterials which may be conjugated to the instant compounds include those described in U.S. Patent Publications Nos. 2006/0034925, 2006/0115537, 2007/0148095, 2012/0141550, 2013/0138032, and 2014/0024610 and PCT Publication No. 2008/121949, 2011/053435, and 2014/087413, each incorporated herein by reference.

IV. Therapies

A. Pharmaceutical Formulations and Routes of Administration

Where clinical applications are contemplated, it will be necessary to prepare pharmaceutical compositions in a form appropriate for the intended application. In some embodiments, such formulation with the compounds of the present disclosure is contemplated. Generally, this will entail preparing

compositions that are essentially free of pyrogens, as well as other impurities that could be harmful to humans or animals.

One will generally desire to employ appropriate salts and buffers to render delivery vectors stable and allow for uptake by target cells. Buffers also will be employed when recombinant cells are introduced into a patient. Aqueous compositions of the present invention comprise an effective amount of the vector to cells, dissolved or dispersed in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or aqueous medium. Such compositions also are referred to as inocula. The phrase "pharmaceutically or pharmacologically acceptable" refers to molecular entities and compositions that do not produce adverse, allergic, or other untoward reactions when administered to an animal or a human. As used herein, "pharmaceutically acceptable carrier" includes any and all solvents, dispersion media, coatings, antibacterial and antifungal agents, isotonic and absorption delaying agents and the like. The use of such media and agents for pharmaceutically active substances is well known in the art. Except insofar as any conventional media or agent is incompatible with the vectors or cells of the present invention, its use in therapeutic compositions is contemplated. Supplementary active ingredients also can be incorporated into the compositions.

The active compositions of the present invention may include classic pharmaceutical preparations. Administration of these compositions according to the present invention will be via any common route so long as the target tissue is available via that route. Such routes include oral, nasal, buccal, rectal, vaginal or topical route. Alternatively, administration may be by orthotopic, intradermal, subcutaneous, intramuscular, intratumoral, intraperitoneal, intracranial, intrathecal, or intravenous injection. Such compositions would normally be administered as pharmaceutically acceptable compositions, described *supra*.

The active compounds may also be administered parenterally or intraperitoneally. Solutions of the active compounds as free base or pharmacologically acceptable salts can be prepared in water suitably mixed with a surfactant, such as hydroxypropylcellulose. Dispersions can also be prepared in glycerol, liquid polyethylene glycols, and mixtures thereof and in oils. Under ordinary conditions of storage and use, these preparations contain a preservative to prevent the growth of microorganisms.

The pharmaceutical forms suitable for injectable use include sterile aqueous solutions or dispersions and sterile powders for the extemporaneous preparation of sterile injectable solutions or dispersions. In all cases the form must be sterile and must be fluid to the extent that easy syringability exists. It must be stable under the conditions of manufacture and storage and must be preserved against the contaminating action of microorganisms, such as bacteria and fungi. The carrier can be a solvent or dispersion medium containing, for example, water, ethanol, polyol (for example, glycerol, propylene glycol, and liquid polyethylene glycol, and the like), suitable mixtures thereof, and vegetable oils. The proper fluidity can be maintained, for example, by the use of a coating, such as lecithin, by the maintenance of the required particle size in the case of dispersion and by the use of surfactants. The prevention of the action of microorganisms can be brought about by various antibacterial and antifungal agents, for example, parabens, chlorobutanol, phenol, sorbic acid, thimerosal, and the like. In many cases, it will be preferable to include isotonic agents, for example, sugars or sodium chloride. Prolonged absorption of the injectable

compositions can be brought about by the use in the compositions of agents delaying absorption, for example, aluminum monostearate and gelatin.

Sterile injectable solutions are prepared by incorporating the active compounds in the required amount in the appropriate solvent with various of the other ingredients enumerated above, as required, followed by filtered sterilization. Generally, dispersions are prepared by incorporating the various sterilized active ingredients into a sterile vehicle which contains the basic dispersion medium and the required other ingredients from those enumerated above. In the case of sterile powders for the preparation of sterile injectable solutions, the preferred methods of preparation are vacuum-drying and freeze-drying techniques which yield a powder of the active ingredient plus any additional desired ingredient from a previously sterile-filtered solution thereof.

As used herein, "pharmaceutically acceptable carrier" includes any and all solvents, dispersion media, coatings, antibacterial and antifungal agents, isotonic and absorption delaying agents and the like. The use of such media and agents for pharmaceutically active substances is well known in the art. Except insofar as any conventional media or agent is incompatible with the active ingredient, its use in the therapeutic compositions is contemplated. Supplementary active ingredients can also be incorporated into the compositions.

For oral administration the shishijimicin analogs described herein may be incorporated with excipients and used in the form of non-ingestible mouthwashes and dentifrices. A mouthwash may be prepared incorporating the active ingredient in the required amount in an appropriate solvent, such as a sodium borate solution (Dobell's Solution). Alternatively, the active ingredient may be incorporated into an antiseptic wash containing sodium borate, glycerin and potassium bicarbonate. The active ingredient may also be dispersed in dentifrices, including: gels, pastes, powders and slurries. The active ingredient may be added in a therapeutically effective amount to a paste dentifrice that may include water, binders, abrasives, flavoring agents, foaming agents, and humectants.

The compositions of the present disclosure may be formulated in a neutral or salt form. Pharmaceutically-acceptable salts include the acid addition salts (formed with the free amino groups of the protein) and which are formed with inorganic acids such as, for example, hydrochloric or phosphoric acids, or such organic acids as acetic, oxalic, tartaric, mandelic, and the like. Salts formed with the free carboxyl groups can also be derived from inorganic bases such as, for example, sodium, potassium, ammonium, calcium, or ferric hydroxides, and such organic bases as isopropylamine, trimethylamine, histidine, procaine and the like.

Upon formulation, solutions will be administered in a manner compatible with the dosage formulation and in such amount as is therapeutically effective. The formulations are easily administered in a variety of dosage forms such as injectable solutions, drug release capsules and the like. For parenteral administration in an aqueous solution, for example, the solution should be suitably buffered if necessary and the liquid diluent first rendered isotonic with sufficient saline or glucose. These particular aqueous solutions are especially suitable for intravenous, intramuscular, subcutaneous and intraperitoneal administration. In this connection, sterile aqueous media which can be employed will be known to those

of skill in the art in light of the present disclosure. For example, one dosage could be dissolved in 1 ml of isotonic NaCl solution and either added to 1000 ml of hypodermoclysis fluid or injected at the proposed site of infusion, (see for example, "Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences," 15th Edition, pages 1035-1038 and 1570-1580). Some variation in dosage will necessarily occur depending on the condition of the subject being treated. The person responsible for administration will, in any event, determine the appropriate dose for the individual subject. Moreover, for human administration, preparations should meet sterility, pyrogenicity, general safety and purity standards as required by FDA Office of Biologics Standards.

B. Methods of Treatment

In particular, the compositions that may be used in treating microbial infections and cancer in a subject (*e.g.*, a human subject) are disclosed herein. The compositions described above are preferably administered to a mammal (*e.g.*, rodent, human, non-human primates, canine, bovine, ovine, equine, feline, *etc.*) in an effective amount, that is, an amount capable of producing a desirable result in a treated subject (*e.g.*, causing apoptosis of cancerous cells or killing bacterial cells). Toxicity and therapeutic efficacy of the compositions utilized in methods of the invention can be determined by standard pharmaceutical procedures. As is well known in the medical and veterinary arts, dosage for any one animal depends on many factors, including the subject's size, body surface area, body weight, age, the particular composition to be administered, time and route of administration, general health, the clinical symptoms of the infection or cancer and other drugs being administered concurrently. A composition as described herein is typically administered at a dosage that inhibits the growth or proliferation of a bacterial cell, inhibits the growth of a biofilm, or induces death of cancerous cells (*e.g.*, induces apoptosis of a cancer cell), as assayed by identifying a reduction in hematological parameters (complete blood count - CBC), or cancer cell growth or proliferation. In some embodiments, amounts of the shishijimicin analogs used to inhibit bacterial growth or induce apoptosis of the cancer cells is calculated to be from about 0.01 mg to about 10,000 mg/day. In some embodiments, the amount is from about 1 mg to about 1,000 mg/day. In some embodiments, these dosings may be reduced or increased based upon the biological factors of a particular patient such as increased or decreased metabolic breakdown of the drug or decreased uptake by the digestive tract if administered orally. Additionally, the derivatives of shishijimicin may be more efficacious and thus a smaller dose is required to achieve a similar effect. Such a dose is typically administered once a day for a few weeks or until sufficient reducing in cancer cells has been achieved.

The therapeutic methods of the invention (which include prophylactic treatment) in general include administration of a therapeutically effective amount of the compositions described herein to a subject in need thereof, including a mammal, particularly a human. Such treatment will be suitably administered to subjects, particularly humans, suffering from, having, susceptible to, or at risk for a disease, disorder, or symptom thereof. Determination of those subjects "at risk" can be made by any objective or subjective determination by a diagnostic test or opinion of a subject or health care provider (*e.g.*, genetic test, enzyme or protein marker, marker (as defined herein), family history, and the like).

In one embodiment, the invention provides a method of monitoring treatment progress. The method includes the step of determining a level of changes in hematological parameters and/or cancer stem cell (CSC) analysis with cell surface proteins as diagnostic markers (which can include, for example, but are not limited to CD34, CD38, CD90, and CD117) or diagnostic measurement (*e.g.*, screen, assay) in a subject suffering from or susceptible to a disorder or symptoms thereof associated with cancer (*e.g.*, leukemia) in which the subject has been administered a therapeutic amount of a composition as described herein. The level of marker determined in the method can be compared to known levels of marker in either healthy normal controls or in other afflicted patients to establish the subject's disease status. In preferred embodiments, a second level of marker in the subject is determined at a time point later than the determination of the first level, and the two levels are compared to monitor the course of disease or the efficacy of the therapy. In certain preferred embodiments, a pre-treatment level of marker in the subject is determined prior to beginning treatment according to the methods described herein; this pre-treatment level of marker can then be compared to the level of marker in the subject after the treatment commences, to determine the efficacy of the treatment.

C. Combination Therapies

It is envisioned that the shishijimicin analogs described herein may be used in combination therapies with one or more cancer therapies or a compound which mitigates one or more of the side effects experienced by the patient. It is common in the field of cancer therapy to combine therapeutic modalities. The following is a general discussion of therapies that may be used in conjunction with the therapies of the present disclosure.

To treat cancers using the methods and compositions of the present disclosure, one would generally contact a tumor cell or subject with a compound and at least one other therapy. These therapies would be provided in a combined amount effective to achieve a reduction in one or more disease parameter. This process may involve contacting the cells/subjects with the both agents/therapies at the same time, *e.g.*, using a single composition or pharmacological formulation that includes both agents, or by contacting the cell/subject with two distinct compositions or formulations, at the same time, wherein one composition includes the compound and the other includes the other agent.

Alternatively, the shishijimicin analogs described herein may precede or follow the other treatment by intervals ranging from minutes to weeks. One would generally ensure that a significant period of time did not expire between the time of each delivery, such that the therapies would still be able to exert an advantageously combined effect on the cell/subject. In such instances, it is contemplated that one would contact the cell with both modalities within about 12-24 hours of each other, within about 6-12 hours of each other, or with a delay time of only about 1-2 hours. In some situations, it may be desirable to extend the time period for treatment significantly; however, where several days (2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7) to several weeks (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8) lapse between the respective administrations.

It also is conceivable that more than one administration of either the compound or the other therapy will be desired. Various combinations may be employed, where a compound of the present disclosure is “A,” and the other therapy is “B,” as exemplified below:

5 A/B/A B/A/B B/B/A A/A/B B/A/A A/B/B B/B/B/A B/B/A/B
 A/A/B/B A/B/A/B A/B/B/A B/B/A/A B/A/B/A B/A/A/B B/B/B/A
 A/A/A/B B/A/A/A A/B/A/A A/A/B/A A/B/B/B B/A/B/B B/B/A/B

Other combinations are also contemplated. The following is a general discussion of cancer therapies that may
 10 be used combination with the compounds of the present disclosure.

1. Chemotherapy

The term “chemotherapy” refers to the use of drugs to treat cancer. A “chemotherapeutic agent” is used to connote a compound or composition that is administered in the treatment of cancer. These agents or drugs are categorized by their mode of activity within a cell, for example, whether and at what stage
 15 they affect the cell cycle. Alternatively, an agent may be characterized based on its ability to directly cross-link DNA, to intercalate into DNA, or to induce chromosomal and mitotic aberrations by affecting nucleic acid synthesis. Most chemotherapeutic agents fall into the following categories: alkylating agents, antimetabolites, antitumor antibiotics, mitotic inhibitors, and nitrosoureas.

Examples of chemotherapeutic agents include alkylating agents such as thiotepa and
 20 cyclophosphamide; alkyl sulfonates such as busulfan, improsulfan and piposulfan; aziridines such as benzodopa, carboquone, meturedopa, and uredopa; ethylenimines and methylamelamines including altretamine, triethylenemelamine, triethylenephosphoramide, triethylenethiophosphoramide and trimethylolomelamine; acetogenins (especially bullatacin and bullatacinone); a camptothecin (including the synthetic analogue topotecan); bryostatin; callystatin; CC-1065 (including its adozelesin, carzelesin
 25 and bizelesin synthetic analogues); cryptophycins (particularly cryptophycin 1 and cryptophycin 8); dolastatin; duocarmycin (including the synthetic analogues, KW-2189 and CB1-TM1); eleutherobin; pancratistatin; a sarcodictyin; spongistatin; nitrogen mustards such as chlorambucil, chlornaphazine, cyclophosphamide, estramustine, ifosfamide, mechlorethamine, mechlorethamine oxide hydrochloride, melphalan, novembichin, phenesterine, prednimustine, trofosfamide, uracil mustard; nitrosoureas such as
 30 carmustine, chlorozotocin, fotemustine, lomustine, nimustine, and ranimustine; antibiotics such as the enediyne antibiotics (e.g., calicheamicin, especially calicheamicin γ 1 and calicheamicin ω 1; dynemicin, including dynemicin A, unciamycin and derivatives thereof; bisphosphonates, such as clodronate; an esperamicin; as well as neocarzinostatin chromophore and related chromoprotein enediyne antibiotic chromophores, aclacinomycins, actinomycin, anthramycin, azaserine, bleomycins, cactinomycin,
 35 carubicin, carminomycin, carzinophilin, chromomycins, dactinomycin, daunorubicin, detorubicin, 6-diazo-5-oxo-L-norleucine, doxorubicin (including morpholino-doxorubicin, cyanomorpholino-doxorubicin, 2-pyrrolino-doxorubicin and deoxydoxorubicin), epirubicin, esorubicin, idarubicin,

marcellomycin, mitomycins such as mitomycin C, mycophenolic acid, nogalamycin, olivomycins, peplomycin, porfiromycin, puromycin, quelamycin, rodorubicin, streptonigrin, streptozotocin, tubercidin, ubenimex, zinostatin, zorubicin; anti-metabolites such as methotrexate and 5-fluorouracil (5-FU); folic acid analogues such as denopterin, methotrexate, pteropterin, trimetrexate; purine analogs such as fludarabine, 6-mercaptapurine, thiamiprine, thioguanine; pyrimidine analogs such as ancitabine, azacitidine, 6-azauridine, carmofur, cytarabine, dideoxyuridine, doxifluridine, enocitabine, floxuridine; androgens such as calusterone, dromostanolone propionate, epitio stanol, mepitio stanane, testolactone; anti-adrenals such as aminogluthethimide, mitotane, trilostane; folic acid replenisher such as folinic acid; aceglatone; aldophosphamide glycoside; aminolevulinic acid; eniluracil; amsacrine; bestrabucil; bisantrene; edatraxate; defofamine; demecolcine; diaziquone; elformithine; elliptinium acetate; an epothilone; etoglucid; gallium nitrate; hydroxyurea; lentinan; lonidainine; maytansinoids such as maytansine and ansamitocins; mitoguazone; mitoxantrone; mopidanmol; nitraerine; pentostatin; phenamet; pirarubicin; losoxantrone; podophyllinic acid; 2-ethylhydrazide; procarbazine; PSK polysaccharide complex); razoxane; rhizoxin; sizofiran; spirogermanium; tenuazonic acid; triaziquone; 2,2',2''-trichlorotriethylamine; trichothecenes (especially T-2 toxin, verracurin A, roridin A and anguidine); urethan; vindesine; dacarbazine; mannomustine; mitobronitol; mitolactol; pipobroman; gacytosine; arabinoside ("Ara-C"); cyclophosphamide; thiotepa; taxoids, *e.g.*, paclitaxel and docetaxel; chlorambucil; gemcitabine; 6-thioguanine; mercaptopurine; methotrexate; platinum coordination complexes such as cisplatin, oxaliplatin and carboplatin; vinblastine; platinum; etoposide (VP-16); ifosfamide; mitoxantrone; vincristine; vinorelbine; novantrone; teniposide; edatrexate; daunomycin; aminopterin; xeloda; ibandronate; irinotecan (*e.g.*, CPT-11); topoisomerase inhibitor RFS 2000; difluoromethylornithine (DMFO); retinoids such as retinoic acid; capecitabine; cisplatin (CDDP), carboplatin, procarbazine, mechllorethamine, cyclophosphamide, camptothecin, ifosfamide, melphalan, chlorambucil, busulfan, nitrosourea, dactinomycin, daunorubicin, doxorubicin, bleomycin, plicomycin, mitomycin, etoposide (VP16), tamoxifen, raloxifene, estrogen receptor binding agents, taxol, paclitaxel, docetaxel, gemcitabine, navelbine, farnesyl-protein transferase inhibitors, transplatinum, 5-fluorouracil, vincristine, vinblastine and methotrexate and pharmaceutically acceptable salts, acids or derivatives of any of the above.

2. Radiotherapy

Radiotherapy, also called radiation therapy, is the treatment of cancer and other diseases with ionizing radiation. Ionizing radiation deposits energy that injures or destroys cells in the area being treated by damaging their genetic material, making it impossible for these cells to continue to grow. Although radiation damages both cancer cells and normal cells, the latter are able to repair themselves and function properly.

Radiation therapy used according to the present invention may include, but is not limited to, the use of γ -rays, X-rays, and/or the directed delivery of radioisotopes to tumor cells. Other forms of DNA damaging factors are also contemplated such as microwaves and UV-irradiation. It is most likely that all of these factors induce a broad range of damage on DNA, on the precursors of DNA, on the replication and

repair of DNA, and on the assembly and maintenance of chromosomes. Dosage ranges for X-rays range from daily doses of 50 to 200 roentgens for prolonged periods of time (3 to 4 wk), to single doses of 2000 to 6000 roentgens. Dosage ranges for radioisotopes vary widely, and depend on the half-life of the isotope, the strength and type of radiation emitted, and the uptake by the neoplastic cells.

5 Radiotherapy may comprise the use of radiolabeled antibodies to deliver doses of radiation directly to the cancer site (radioimmunotherapy). Antibodies are highly specific proteins that are made by the body in response to the presence of antigens (substances recognized as foreign by the immune system). Some tumor cells contain specific antigens that trigger the production of tumor-specific antibodies. Large quantities of these antibodies can be made in the laboratory and attached to radioactive substances (a
10 process known as radiolabeling). Once injected into the body, the antibodies actively seek out the cancer cells, which are destroyed by the cell-killing (cytotoxic) action of the radiation. This approach can minimize the risk of radiation damage to healthy cells.

Conformal radiotherapy uses the same radiotherapy machine, a linear accelerator, as the normal radiotherapy treatment but metal blocks are placed in the path of the x-ray beam to alter its shape to match
15 that of the cancer. This ensures that a higher radiation dose is given to the tumor. Healthy surrounding cells and nearby structures receive a lower dose of radiation, so the possibility of side effects is reduced. A device called a multi-leaf collimator has been developed and may be used as an alternative to the metal blocks. The multi-leaf collimator consists of a number of metal sheets which are fixed to the linear accelerator. Each layer can be adjusted so that the radiotherapy beams can be shaped to the treatment area
20 without the need for metal blocks. Precise positioning of the radiotherapy machine is very important for conformal radiotherapy treatment and a special scanning machine may be used to check the position of internal organs at the beginning of each treatment.

High-resolution intensity modulated radiotherapy also uses a multi-leaf collimator. During this treatment the layers of the multi-leaf collimator are moved while the treatment is being given. This method
25 is likely to achieve even more precise shaping of the treatment beams and allows the dose of radiotherapy to be constant over the whole treatment area.

Although research studies have shown that conformal radiotherapy and intensity modulated radiotherapy may reduce the side effects of radiotherapy treatment, it is possible that shaping the treatment area so precisely could stop microscopic cancer cells just outside the treatment area being destroyed. This
30 means that the risk of the cancer coming back in the future may be higher with these specialized radiotherapy techniques.

Scientists also are looking for ways to increase the effectiveness of radiation therapy. Two types of investigational drugs are being studied for their effect on cells undergoing radiation. Radiosensitizers make the tumor cells more likely to be damaged, and radioprotectors protect normal tissues from the effects
35 of radiation. Hyperthermia, the use of heat, is also being studied for its effectiveness in sensitizing tissue to radiation.

3. Immunotherapy

In the context of cancer treatment, immunotherapeutics, generally, rely on the use of immune effector cells and molecules to target and destroy cancer cells. Trastuzumab (Herceptin™) is such an example. The immune effector may be, for example, an antibody specific for some marker on the surface of a tumor cell. The antibody alone may serve as an effector of therapy or it may recruit other cells to actually affect cell killing. The antibody also may be conjugated to a drug or toxin (chemotherapeutic, radionuclide, ricin A chain, cholera toxin, pertussis toxin, *etc.*) and serve merely as a targeting agent. Alternatively, the effector may be a lymphocyte carrying a surface molecule that interacts, either directly or indirectly, with a tumor cell target. Various effector cells include cytotoxic T cells and NK cells. The combination of therapeutic modalities, *i.e.*, direct cytotoxic activity and inhibition or reduction of ErbB2 would provide therapeutic benefit in the treatment of ErbB2 overexpressing cancers.

In one aspect of immunotherapy, the tumor cell must bear some marker that is amenable to targeting, *i.e.*, is not present on the majority of other cells. Many tumor markers exist and any of these may be suitable for targeting in the context of the present invention. Common tumor markers include carcinoembryonic antigen, prostate specific antigen, urinary tumor associated antigen, fetal antigen, tyrosinase (p97), gp68, TAG-72, HMFG, Sialyl Lewis Antigen, MucA, MucB, PLAP, estrogen receptor, laminin receptor, erb B and p155. An alternative aspect of immunotherapy is to combine anticancer effects with immune stimulatory effects. Immune stimulating molecules also exist including: cytokines such as IL-2, IL-4, IL-12, GM-CSF, γ -IFN, chemokines such as MIP-1, MCP-1, IL-8 and growth factors such as FLT3 ligand. Combining immune stimulating molecules, either as proteins or using gene delivery in combination with a tumor suppressor has been shown to enhance anti-tumor effects (Ju *et al.*, 2000). Moreover, antibodies against any of these compounds may be used to target the anti-cancer agents discussed herein.

Examples of immunotherapies currently under investigation or in use are immune adjuvants *e.g.*, *Mycobacterium bovis*, *Plasmodium falciparum*, dinitrochlorobenzene and aromatic compounds (U.S. Patents 5,801,005 and 5,739,169; Hui and Hashimoto, 1998; Christodoulides *et al.*, 1998), cytokine therapy, *e.g.*, interferons α , β , and γ ; IL-1, GM-CSF and TNF (Bukowski *et al.*, 1998; Davidson *et al.*, 1998; Hellstrand *et al.*, 1998) gene therapy, *e.g.*, TNF, IL-1, IL-2, p53 (Qin *et al.*, 1998; Austin-Ward and Villaseca, 1998; U.S. Patents 5,830,880 and 5,846,945) and monoclonal antibodies, *e.g.*, anti-ganglioside GM2, anti-HER-2, anti-p185 (Pietras *et al.*, 1998; Hanibuchi *et al.*, 1998; U.S. Patent 5,824,311). It is contemplated that one or more anti-cancer therapies may be employed with the gene silencing therapies described herein.

In active immunotherapy, an antigenic peptide, polypeptide or protein, or an autologous or allogenic tumor cell composition or “vaccine” is administered, generally with a distinct bacterial adjuvant (Ravindranath and Morton, 1991; Morton *et al.*, 1992; Mitchell *et al.*, 1990; Mitchell *et al.*, 1993).

In adoptive immunotherapy, the patient's circulating lymphocytes, or tumor infiltrated lymphocytes, are isolated *in vitro*, activated by lymphokines such as IL-2 or transduced with genes for tumor necrosis, and readministered (Rosenberg *et al.*, 1988; 1989).

4. Surgery

Approximately 60% of persons with cancer will undergo surgery of some type, which includes preventative, diagnostic or staging, curative, and palliative surgery. Curative surgery is a cancer treatment that may be used in conjunction with other therapies, such as the treatment of the present invention, chemotherapy, radiotherapy, hormonal therapy, gene therapy, immunotherapy and/or alternative therapies.

Curative surgery includes resection in which all or part of cancerous tissue is physically removed, excised, and/or destroyed. Tumor resection refers to physical removal of at least part of a tumor. In addition to tumor resection, treatment by surgery includes laser surgery, cryosurgery, electrosurgery, and microscopically controlled surgery (Mohs' surgery). It is further contemplated that the present invention may be used in conjunction with removal of superficial cancers, precancers, or incidental amounts of normal tissue.

Upon excision of part or all of cancerous cells, tissue, or tumor, a cavity may be formed in the body. Treatment may be accomplished by perfusion, direct injection or local application of the area with an additional anti-cancer therapy. Such treatment may be repeated, for example, every 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7 days, or every 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 weeks or every 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12 months. These treatments may be of varying dosages as well.

In some particular embodiments, after removal of the tumor, an adjuvant treatment with a compound of the present disclosure is believed to be particularly efficacious in reducing the reoccurrence of the tumor. Additionally, the compounds of the present disclosure can also be used in a neoadjuvant setting.

5. Other Agents

It is contemplated that other agents may be used with the present invention. These additional agents include immunomodulatory agents, agents that affect the upregulation of cell surface receptors and GAP junctions, cytostatic and differentiation agents, inhibitors of cell adhesion, agents that increase the sensitivity of the hyperproliferative cells to apoptotic inducers, or other biological agents. Immunomodulatory agents include tumor necrosis factor; interferon alpha, beta, and gamma; IL-2 and other cytokines; F42K and other cytokine analogs; or MIP-1, MIP-1 β , MCP-1, RANTES, and other chemokines. It is further contemplated that the upregulation of cell surface receptors or their ligands such as Fas/Fas ligand, DR4 or DR5/TRAIL (Apo-2 ligand) would potentiate the apoptotic inducing abilities of the present invention by establishment of an autocrine or paracrine effect on hyperproliferative cells. Increases intercellular signaling by elevating the number of GAP junctions would increase the anti-hyperproliferative effects on the neighboring hyperproliferative cell population. In other embodiments, cytostatic or differentiation agents may be used in combination with the present invention to improve the anti-hyperproliferative efficacy of the treatments. Inhibitors of cell adhesion are contemplated to improve

the efficacy of the present invention. Examples of cell adhesion inhibitors are focal adhesion kinase (FAKs) inhibitors and Lovastatin. It is further contemplated that other agents that increase the sensitivity of a hyperproliferative cell to apoptosis, such as the antibody c225, could be used in combination with the present invention to improve the treatment efficacy.

5 There have been many advances in the therapy of cancer following the introduction of cytotoxic chemotherapeutic drugs. However, one of the consequences of chemotherapy is the development/acquisition of drug-resistant phenotypes and the development of multiple drug resistance. The development of drug resistance remains a major obstacle in the treatment of such tumors and therefore, there is an obvious need for alternative approaches such as gene therapy.

10 Another form of therapy for use in conjunction with chemotherapy, radiation therapy or biological therapy includes hyperthermia, which is a procedure in which a patient's tissue is exposed to high temperatures (up to 106°F). External or internal heating devices may be involved in the application of local, regional, or whole-body hyperthermia. Local hyperthermia involves the application of heat to a small area, such as a tumor. Heat may be generated externally with high-frequency waves targeting a
15 tumor from a device outside the body. Internal heat may involve a sterile probe, including thin, heated wires or hollow tubes filled with warm water, implanted microwave antennae, or radiofrequency electrodes.

 A patient's organ or a limb is heated for regional therapy, which is accomplished using devices that produce high energy, such as magnets. Alternatively, some of the patient's blood may be removed
20 and heated before being perfused into an area that will be internally heated. Whole-body heating may also be implemented in cases where cancer has spread throughout the body. Warm-water blankets, hot wax, inductive coils, and thermal chambers may be used for this purpose.

 The skilled artisan is directed to "Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences" 15th Edition, chapter 33, in particular pages 624-652. Some variation in dosage will necessarily occur depending on the condition
25 of the subject being treated. The person responsible for administration will, in any event, determine the appropriate dose for the individual subject. Moreover, for human administration, preparations should meet sterility, pyrogenicity, general safety and purity standards as required by FDA Office of Biologics standards.

 It also should be pointed out that any of the foregoing therapies may prove useful by themselves
30 in treating cancer.

V. Synthetic Methods

 In some aspects, the compounds of this invention can be synthesized using the methods of organic chemistry as described in this application. These methods can be further modified and optimized using the principles and techniques of organic chemistry as applied by a person skilled in the art. Such principles
35 and techniques are taught, for example, in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry: Reactions, Mechanisms, and Structure* (2007), which is incorporated by reference herein.












A. Process Scale-Up

The synthetic methods described herein can be further modified and optimized for preparative, pilot- or large-scale production, either batch or continuous, using the principles and techniques of process chemistry as applied by a person skilled in the art. Such principles and techniques are taught, for example, in *Practical Process Research & Development* (2000), which is incorporated by reference herein. The synthetic method described herein may be used to produce preparative scale amounts of the shishijimicin analogs described herein.

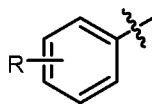
B. Chemical Definitions

When used in the context of a chemical group: “hydrogen” means $-H$; “hydroxy” means $-OH$; “oxo” means $=O$; “carbonyl” means $-C(=O)-$; “carboxy” means $-C(=O)OH$ (also written as $-COOH$ or $-CO_2H$); “halo” means independently $-F$, $-Cl$, $-Br$ or $-I$; “amino” means $-NH_2$; “hydroxyamino” means $-NHOH$; “nitro” means $-NO_2$; imino means $=NH$; “cyano” means $-CN$; “isocyanate” means $-N=C=O$; “azido” means $-N_3$; “hydrazine” means $-NHNH_2$; in a monovalent context “phosphate” means $-OP(O)(OH)_2$ or a deprotonated form thereof; in a divalent context “phosphate” means $-OP(O)(OH)O-$ or a deprotonated form thereof; “mercapto” means $-SH$; and “thio” means $=S$; “hydroxysulfonyl” means $-SO_3H$, “sulfonyl” means $-S(O)_2-$; and “sulfinyl” means $-S(O)-$.

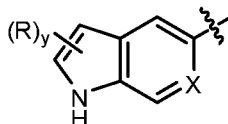
In the context of chemical formulas, the symbol “ $-$ ” means a single bond, “ $=$ ” means a double bond, and “ \equiv ” means triple bond. The symbol “ $----$ ” represents an optional bond, which if present is either single or double. The symbol “ $==$ ” represents a single bond or a double bond. Thus, for example,

the formula  includes , , ,  and . And it is understood that no one such ring atom forms part of more than one double bond. Furthermore, it is noted that the covalent bond symbol “ $-$ ”, when connecting one or two stereogenic atoms, does not indicate any preferred stereochemistry. Instead, it covers all stereoisomers as well as mixtures thereof. The symbol “”, when drawn perpendicularly across a bond (e.g., -CH₃ for methyl) indicates a point of attachment of the group. It is noted that the point of attachment is typically only identified in this manner for larger groups in order to assist the reader in unambiguously identifying a point of attachment. The symbol “” means a single bond where the group attached to the thick end of the wedge is “out of the page.” The symbol “” means a single bond where the group attached to the thick end of the wedge is “into the page”. The symbol “” means a single bond where the geometry around a double bond (e.g., either *E* or *Z*) is undefined. Both options, as well as combinations thereof are therefore intended. Any undefined valency on an atom of a structure shown in this application implicitly represents a hydrogen atom bonded to that atom. A bold dot on a carbon atom indicates that the hydrogen attached to that carbon is oriented out of the plane of the paper.

When a group “R” is depicted as a “floating group” on a ring system, for example, in the formula:



then R may replace any hydrogen atom attached to any of the ring atoms, including a depicted, implied, or expressly defined hydrogen, so long as a stable structure is formed. When a group “R” is depicted as a “floating group” on a fused ring system, as for example in the formula:



then R may replace any hydrogen attached to any of the ring atoms of either of the fused rings unless specified otherwise. Replaceable hydrogens include depicted hydrogens (*e.g.*, the hydrogen attached to the nitrogen in the formula above), implied hydrogens (*e.g.*, a hydrogen of the formula above that is not shown but understood to be present), expressly defined hydrogens, and optional hydrogens whose presence depends on the identity of a ring atom (*e.g.*, a hydrogen attached to group X, when X equals $-\text{CH}-$), so long as a stable structure is formed. In the example depicted, R may reside on either the 5-membered or the 6-membered ring of the fused ring system. In the formula above, the subscript letter “y” immediately following the group “R” enclosed in parentheses, represents a numeric variable. Unless specified otherwise, this variable can be 0, 1, 2, or any integer greater than 2, only limited by the maximum number of replaceable hydrogen atoms of the ring or ring system.

For the groups and classes below, the following parenthetical subscripts further define the group/class as follows: “(C_n)” defines the exact number (n) of carbon atoms in the group/class. “(C_{≤n})” defines the maximum number (n) of carbon atoms that can be in the group/class, with the minimum number as small as possible for the group in question, *e.g.*, it is understood that the minimum number of carbon atoms in the group “alkenyl_(C_{≤8})” or the class “alkene_(C_{≤8})” is two. For example, “alkoxy_(C_{≤10})” designates those alkoxy groups having from 1 to 10 carbon atoms. (C_n-n’) defines both the minimum (n) and maximum number (n’) of carbon atoms in the group. Similarly, “alkyl_(C₂₋₁₀)” designates those alkyl groups having from 2 to 10 carbon atoms.

The term “saturated” as used herein means the compound or group so modified has no carbon-carbon double and no carbon-carbon triple bonds, except as noted below. In the case of substituted versions of saturated groups, one or more carbon oxygen double bond or a carbon nitrogen double bond may be present. And when such a bond is present, then carbon-carbon double bonds that may occur as part of keto-enol tautomerism or imine/enamine tautomerism are not precluded.

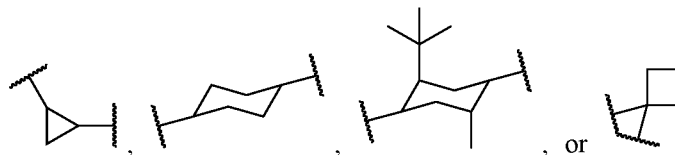
The term “aliphatic” when used without the “substituted” modifier signifies that the compound/group so modified is an acyclic or cyclic, but non-aromatic hydrocarbon compound or group. In aliphatic compounds/groups, the carbon atoms can be joined together in straight chains, branched chains, or non-aromatic rings (alicyclic). Aliphatic compounds/groups can be saturated, that is joined by single

bonds (alkanes/alkyl), or unsaturated, with one or more double bonds (alkenes/alkenyl) or with one or more triple bonds (alkynes/alkynyl).

The term “alkyl” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to a monovalent saturated aliphatic group with a carbon atom as the point of attachment, a linear or branched acyclic structure, and no atoms other than carbon and hydrogen. The groups $-\text{CH}_3$ (Me), $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ (Et), $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ (*n*-Pr or propyl), $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$ (*i*-Pr, *i*Pr or isopropyl), $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ (*n*-Bu), $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$ (*sec*-butyl), $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$ (isobutyl), $-\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3$ (*tert*-butyl, *t*-butyl, *t*-Bu or *t*Bu), and $-\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_3$ (*neo*-pentyl) are non-limiting examples of alkyl groups. The term “alkanediyl” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to a divalent saturated aliphatic group, with one or two saturated carbon atom(s) as the point(s) of attachment, a linear or branched acyclic structure, no carbon-carbon double or triple bonds, and no atoms other than carbon and hydrogen. The groups, $-\text{CH}_2-$ (methylene), $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CH}_2-$, and $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$, are non-limiting examples of alkanediyl groups. The term “alkylidene” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to the divalent group $=\text{CRR}'$ in which R and R' are independently hydrogen or alkyl. Non-limiting examples of alkylidene groups include: $=\text{CH}_2$, $=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3)$, and $=\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_2$. An “alkane” refers to the compound $\text{H}-\text{R}$, wherein R is alkyl as this term is defined above. When any of these terms is used with the “substituted” modifier one or more hydrogen atom has been independently replaced by $-\text{OH}$, $-\text{F}$, $-\text{Cl}$, $-\text{Br}$, $-\text{I}$, $-\text{NH}_2$, $-\text{NO}_2$, $-\text{N}_3$, $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$, $-\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{CN}$, $-\text{SH}$, $-\text{OCH}_3$, $-\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{NHCH}_3$, $-\text{NHCH}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_2$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NH}_2$, $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$, or $-\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{NH}_2$. The following groups are non-limiting examples of substituted alkyl groups: $-\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}$, $-\text{CF}_3$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CN}$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OH}$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{OCH}_3$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NH}_2$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{OCH}_3$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_2$, and $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}$. The term “haloalkyl” is a subset of substituted alkyl, in which one or more hydrogen atoms has been substituted with a halo group and no other atoms aside from carbon, hydrogen and halogen are present. The group, $-\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}$ is a non-limiting example of a haloalkyl. The term “fluoroalkyl” is a subset of substituted alkyl, in which one or more hydrogen has been substituted with a fluoro group and no other atoms aside from carbon, hydrogen and fluorine are present. The groups, $-\text{CH}_2\text{F}$, $-\text{CF}_3$, and $-\text{CH}_2\text{CF}_3$ are non-limiting examples of fluoroalkyl groups.

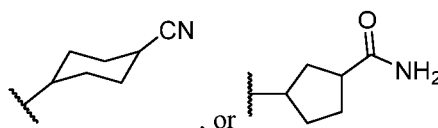
The term “cycloalkyl” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to a monovalent saturated aliphatic group with a carbon atom as the point of attachment, said carbon atom forms part of one or more non-aromatic ring structures, a cyclo or cyclic structure, no carbon-carbon double or triple bonds, and no atoms other than carbon and hydrogen. Non-limiting examples of cycloalkyl groups include: $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_2$ (cyclopropyl), cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl, or cyclohexyl. The term “cycloalkanediyl” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to a divalent saturated aliphatic group with one or two carbon atom as the point(s) of attachment, said carbon atom(s) forms part of one or more non-aromatic ring structures, a cyclo or cyclic structure, no carbon-carbon double or triple bonds, and no atoms other than

carbon and hydrogen.



are non-limiting examples of cycloalkanedyl groups. A “cycloalkane” refers to the compound H-R, wherein R is cycloalkyl as this term is defined above. When any of these terms is used with the “substituted” modifier one or more hydrogen atom has been independently replaced by -OH, -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -NH₂, -NO₂, -N₃,
 5 -CO₂H, -CO₂CH₃, -CN, -SH, -OCH₃, -OCH₂CH₃, -C(O)CH₃, -NHCH₃, -NHCH₂CH₃, -N(CH₃)₂, -C(O)NH₂, -OC(O)CH₃, or -S(O)₂NH₂. The following groups are non-limiting examples of substituted

cycloalkyl groups: -C(OH)(CH₂)₂,

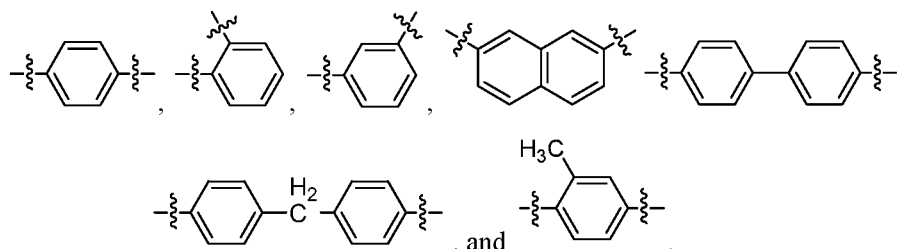


The term “alkenyl” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to a monovalent unsaturated aliphatic group with a carbon atom as the point of attachment, a linear or branched, acyclic structure, at least one nonaromatic carbon-carbon double bond, no carbon-carbon triple bonds, and no
 10 atoms other than carbon and hydrogen. Non-limiting examples of alkenyl groups include: -CH=CH₂ (vinyl), -CH=CHCH₃, -CH=CHCH₂CH₃, -CH₂CH=CH₂ (allyl), -CH₂CH=CHCH₃, and -CH=CHCH=CH₂. The term “alkenediyl” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to a divalent unsaturated aliphatic group, with two carbon atoms as points of attachment, a linear or branched,
 15 cyclo, cyclic or acyclic structure, at least one nonaromatic carbon-carbon double bond, no carbon-carbon triple bonds, and no atoms other than carbon and hydrogen. The groups, -CH=CH-, -CH=C(CH₃)CH₂-, and -CH=CHCH₂-, are non-limiting examples of alkenediyl groups. It is noted that while the alkenediyl group is aliphatic, once connected at both ends, this group is not precluded from forming part of an aromatic structure. The terms “alkene” and refer to a compound having the formula H-R, wherein R is alkenyl as
 20 this term is defined above. A “terminal alkene” refers to an alkene having just one carbon-carbon double bond, wherein that bond forms a vinyl group at one end of the molecule. When any of these terms are used with the “substituted” modifier one or more hydrogen atom has been independently replaced by -OH, -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -NH₂, -NO₂, -N₃, -CO₂H, -CO₂CH₃, -CN, -SH, -OCH₃, -OCH₂CH₃, -C(O)CH₃, -NHCH₃, -NHCH₂CH₃, -N(CH₃)₂, -C(O)NH₂, -OC(O)CH₃, or -S(O)₂NH₂. The groups, -CH=CHF,
 25 -CH=CHCl and -CH=CHBr, are non-limiting examples of substituted alkenyl groups.

The term “alkynyl” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to a monovalent unsaturated aliphatic group with a carbon atom as the point of attachment, a linear or branched, acyclic structure, at least one carbon-carbon triple bond, and no atoms other than carbon and hydrogen. As used
 30 herein, the term alkynyl does not preclude the presence of one or more non-aromatic carbon-carbon double bonds. The groups, -C≡CH, -C≡CCH₃, and -CH₂C≡CCH₃, are non-limiting examples of alkynyl groups. An “alkyne” refers to the compound H-R, wherein R is alkynyl. When any of these terms are used with the “substituted” modifier one or more hydrogen atom has been independently replaced by -OH, -F, -Cl,

-Br, -I, -NH₂, -NO₂, -N₃, -CO₂H, -CO₂CH₃, -CN, -SH, -OCH₃, -OCH₂CH₃, -C(O)CH₃, -NHCH₃, -NHCH₂CH₃, -N(CH₃)₂, -C(O)NH₂, -OC(O)CH₃, or -S(O)₂NH₂.

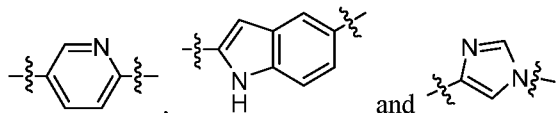
The term "aryl" when used without the "substituted" modifier refers to a monovalent unsaturated aromatic group with an aromatic carbon atom as the point of attachment, said carbon atom forming part of a one or more six-membered aromatic ring structure, wherein the ring atoms are all carbon, and wherein the group consists of no atoms other than carbon and hydrogen. If more than one ring is present, the rings may be fused or unfused. As used herein, the term does not preclude the presence of one or more alkyl or aralkyl groups (carbon number limitation permitting) attached to the first aromatic ring or any additional aromatic ring present. Non-limiting examples of aryl groups include phenyl (Ph), methylphenyl, (dimethyl)phenyl, -C₆H₄CH₂CH₃ (ethylphenyl), naphthyl, and a monovalent group derived from biphenyl. The term "arenediyl" when used without the "substituted" modifier refers to a divalent aromatic group with two aromatic carbon atoms as points of attachment, said carbon atoms forming part of one or more six-membered aromatic ring structure(s) wherein the ring atoms are all carbon, and wherein the monovalent group consists of no atoms other than carbon and hydrogen. As used herein, the term does not preclude the presence of one or more alkyl, aryl or aralkyl groups (carbon number limitation permitting) attached to the first aromatic ring or any additional aromatic ring present. If more than one ring is present, the rings may be fused or unfused. Unfused rings may be connected via one or more of the following: a covalent bond, alkanediyl, or alkenediyl groups (carbon number limitation permitting). Non-limiting examples of arenediyl groups include:



An "arene" refers to the compound H-R, wherein R is aryl as that term is defined above. Benzene and toluene are non-limiting examples of arenes. When any of these terms are used with the "substituted" modifier one or more hydrogen atom has been independently replaced by -OH, -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -NH₂, -NO₂, -N₃, -CO₂H, -CO₂CH₃, -CN, -SH, -OCH₃, -OCH₂CH₃, -C(O)CH₃, -NHCH₃, -NHCH₂CH₃, -N(CH₃)₂, -C(O)NH₂, -OC(O)CH₃, or -S(O)₂NH₂.

The term "aralkyl" when used without the "substituted" modifier refers to the monovalent group -alkanediyl-aryl, in which the terms alkanediyl and aryl are each used in a manner consistent with the definitions provided above. Non-limiting examples of aralkyls are: phenylmethyl (benzyl, Bn) and 2-phenyl-ethyl. When the term aralkyl is used with the "substituted" modifier one or more hydrogen atom from the alkanediyl and/or the aryl group has been independently replaced by -OH, -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -NH₂, -NO₂, -N₃, -CO₂H, -CO₂CH₃, -CN, -SH, -OCH₃, -OCH₂CH₃, -C(O)CH₃, -NHCH₃, -NHCH₂CH₃, -N(CH₃)₂, -C(O)NH₂, -OC(O)CH₃, or -S(O)₂NH₂. Non-limiting examples of substituted aralkyls are: (3-chlorophenyl)-methyl, and 2-chloro-2-phenyl-eth-1-yl.

The term “heteroaryl” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to a monovalent aromatic group with an aromatic carbon atom or nitrogen atom as the point of attachment, said carbon atom or nitrogen atom forming part of one or more aromatic ring structures wherein at least one of the ring atoms is nitrogen, oxygen or sulfur, and wherein the heteroaryl group consists of no atoms other than carbon, hydrogen, aromatic nitrogen, aromatic oxygen and aromatic sulfur. If more than one ring is present, the rings may be fused or unfused. As used herein, the term does not preclude the presence of one or more alkyl, aryl, and/or aralkyl groups (carbon number limitation permitting) attached to the aromatic ring or aromatic ring system. Non-limiting examples of heteroaryl groups include furanyl, imidazolyl, indolyl, indazolyl, isoxazolyl, methylpyridinyl, oxazolyl, phenylpyridinyl, pyridinyl, pyrrolyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl, quinolyl, quinazolyl, quinoxalinyl, triazinyl, tetrazolyl, thiazolyl, thienyl, and triazolyl. As the term is used herein, the term heteroaryl includes pyrimidine base and base analogs. The term “*N*-heteroaryl” refers to a heteroaryl group with a nitrogen atom as the point of attachment. The term “heteroarenediyl” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to an divalent aromatic group, with two aromatic carbon atoms, two aromatic nitrogen atoms, or one aromatic carbon atom and one aromatic nitrogen atom as the two points of attachment, said atoms forming part of one or more aromatic ring structure(s) wherein at least one of the ring atoms is nitrogen, oxygen or sulfur, and wherein the divalent group consists of no atoms other than carbon, hydrogen, aromatic nitrogen, aromatic oxygen and aromatic sulfur. If more than one ring is present, the rings may be fused or unfused. Unfused rings may be connected via one or more of the following: a covalent bond, alkanediyl, or alkenediyl groups (carbon number limitation permitting). As used herein, the term does not preclude the presence of one or more alkyl, aryl, and/or aralkyl groups (carbon number limitation permitting) attached to the aromatic ring or aromatic ring system. Non-limiting examples of heteroarenediyl groups include:



A “heteroarene” refers to the compound H-R, wherein R is heteroaryl. Pyridine and quinoline are non-limiting examples of heteroarenes. When these terms are used with the “substituted” modifier one or more hydrogen atom has been independently replaced by -OH, -F, -Cl, -Br, -I, -NH₂, -NO₂, -N₃, -CO₂H, -CO₂CH₃, -CN, -SH, -OCH₃, -OCH₂CH₃, -C(O)CH₃, -NHCH₃, -NHCH₂CH₃, -N(CH₃)₂, -C(O)NH₂, -OC(O)CH₃, or -S(O)₂NH₂.

The term “acyl” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to the group -C(O)R, in which R is a hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, aralkyl or heteroaryl, as those terms are defined above. The groups, -CHO, -C(O)CH₃ (acetyl, Ac), -C(O)CH₂CH₃, -C(O)CH₂CH₂CH₃, -C(O)CH(CH₃)₂, -C(O)CH(CH₂)₂, -C(O)C₆H₅, -C(O)C₆H₄CH₃, -C(O)CH₂C₆H₅, -C(O)(imidazolyl) are non-limiting examples of acyl groups. A “thioacyl” is defined in an analogous manner, except that the oxygen atom of the group -C(O)R has been replaced with a sulfur atom, -C(S)R. The term “aldehyde” corresponds to an alkane, as defined above, wherein at least one of the hydrogen atoms has been replaced with a -CHO group. An “anhydride” is a group of the formula ROR', wherein R and R' are acyl groups as defined above. When any of these

terms are used with the “substituted” modifier one or more hydrogen atom (including a hydrogen atom directly attached the carbonyl or thiocarbonyl group, if any) has been independently replaced by $-\text{OH}$, $-\text{F}$, $-\text{Cl}$, $-\text{Br}$, $-\text{I}$, $-\text{NH}_2$, $-\text{NO}_2$, $-\text{N}_3$, $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$, $-\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{CN}$, $-\text{SH}$, $-\text{OCH}_3$, $-\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{NHCH}_3$, $-\text{NHCH}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_2$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NH}_2$, $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$, or $-\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{NH}_2$. The groups, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{CF}_3$, $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ (carboxyl), $-\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3$ (methylcarboxyl), $-\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NH}_2$ (carbamoyl), and $-\text{CON}(\text{CH}_3)_2$, are non-limiting examples of substituted acyl groups.

The term “alkylamino” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to the group $-\text{NHR}$, in which R is an alkyl, as that term is defined above. Non-limiting examples of alkylamino groups include: $-\text{NHCH}_3$ and $-\text{NHCH}_2\text{CH}_3$. The term “dialkylamino” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to the group $-\text{NRR}'$, in which R and R' can each independently be the same or different alkyl groups, or R and R' can be taken together to represent an alkanediyl. Non-limiting examples of dialkylamino groups include: $-\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_2$, $-\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3)$, and *N*-pyrrolidinyl. The terms “alkoxyamino”, “cycloalkylamino”, “alkenylamino”, “cycloalkenylamino”, “alkynylamino”, “arylamino”, “aralkylamino”, “heteroarylamino”, “heterocycloalkylamino” and “alkylsulfonylamino” when used without the “substituted” modifier, refers to groups, defined as $-\text{NHR}$, in which R is alkoxy, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, aralkyl, heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, and alkylsulfonyl, respectively. A non-limiting example of an arylamino group is $-\text{NHC}_6\text{H}_5$. The term “amido” (acylamino), when used without the “substituted” modifier, refers to the group $-\text{NHR}$, in which R is acyl, as that term is defined above. A non-limiting example of an amido group is $-\text{NHC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$. The term “alkylimino” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to the divalent group $=\text{NR}$, in which R is an alkyl, as that term is defined above. The term “alkylaminodiyl” refers to the divalent group $-\text{NH}$ -alkanediyl-, $-\text{NH}$ -alkanediyl- $-\text{NH}$ -, or $-\text{alkanediyl}$ - $-\text{NH}$ -alkanediyl-. When any of these terms is used with the “substituted” modifier one or more hydrogen atom has been independently replaced by $-\text{OH}$, $-\text{F}$, $-\text{Cl}$, $-\text{Br}$, $-\text{I}$, $-\text{NH}_2$, $-\text{NO}_2$, $-\text{N}_3$, $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$, $-\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{CN}$, $-\text{SH}$, $-\text{OCH}_3$, $-\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{NHCH}_3$, $-\text{NHCH}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_2$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NH}_2$, $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$, or $-\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{NH}_2$. The groups $-\text{NHC}(\text{O})\text{OCH}_3$ and $-\text{NHC}(\text{O})\text{NHCH}_3$ are non-limiting examples of substituted amido groups.

The term “alkoxy” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to the group $-\text{OR}$, in which R is an alkyl, as that term is defined above. Non-limiting examples include: $-\text{OCH}_3$ (methoxy), $-\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_3$ (ethoxy), $-\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{OCH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$ (isopropoxy), and $-\text{OC}(\text{CH}_3)_3$ (*tert*-butoxy). The terms “cycloalkoxy”, “alkenylloxy”, “alkynylloxy”, “aryloxy”, “aralkoxy”, “heteroaryloxy”, “heterocycloalkoxy”, and “acyloxy”, when used without the “substituted” modifier, refers to groups, defined as $-\text{OR}$, in which R is cycloalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, aralkyl, heteroaryl, heterocycloalkyl, and acyl, respectively. The term “alkoxydiyl” refers to the divalent group $-\text{O}$ -alkanediyl-, $-\text{O}$ -alkanediyl- $-\text{O}$ -, or $-\text{alkanediyl}$ - $-\text{O}$ -alkanediyl-. The term “alkylthio” and “acylthio” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to the group $-\text{SR}$, in which R is an alkyl and acyl, respectively. The term “alkylthiodiyl” refers to the divalent group $-\text{S}$ -alkanediyl-, $-\text{S}$ -alkanediyl- $-\text{S}$ -, or $-\text{alkanediyl}$ - $-\text{S}$ -alkanediyl-. The term “alcohol” corresponds to an alkane, as defined above, wherein at least one of the hydrogen atoms has been replaced with a hydroxy group. The term “ether” corresponds to

an alkane or cycloalkane, as defined above, wherein at least one of the hydrogen atoms has been replaced with an alkoxy or cycloalkoxy group. When any of these terms is used with the “substituted” modifier one or more hydrogen atom has been independently replaced by $-\text{OH}$, $-\text{F}$, $-\text{Cl}$, $-\text{Br}$, $-\text{I}$, $-\text{NH}_2$, $-\text{NO}_2$, $-\text{N}_3$, $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$, $-\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{CN}$, $-\text{SH}$, $-\text{OCH}_3$, $-\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{NHCH}_3$, $-\text{NHCH}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_2$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NH}_2$, $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$, or $-\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{NH}_2$.

The term “alkylsilyl” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to the groups $-\text{SiR}_3$, respectively, in which each R is an alkyl, as that term is defined above. The terms “alkenylsilyl”, “alkynylsilyl”, “arylsilyl”, “aralkylsilyl”, “heteroarylsilyl”, and “heterocycloalkylsilyl” are defined in an analogous manner. When any of these terms is used with the “substituted” modifier one or more hydrogen atom has been independently replaced by $-\text{OH}$, $-\text{F}$, $-\text{Cl}$, $-\text{Br}$, $-\text{I}$, $-\text{NH}_2$, $-\text{NO}_2$, $-\text{N}_3$, $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$, $-\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{CN}$, $-\text{SH}$, $-\text{OCH}_3$, $-\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{NHCH}_3$, $-\text{NHCH}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_2$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NH}_2$, $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$, or $-\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{NH}_2$.

The terms “phosphine” and “phosphane” are used synonymously herein. When used without the “substituted” modifier these terms refer to a compound of the formula PR_3 , wherein each R is independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, aryl, or aralkyl, as those terms are defined above. Non-limiting examples include PMe_3 , PPh_3 , and PCy_3 (tricyclohexylphosphine). The terms “trialkylphosphine” and “trialkylphosphane” are also synonymous. Such groups are a subset of phosphine, wherein each R is an alkyl group. The term “diphosphine” when used without the “substituted” modifier refers to a compound of the formula $\text{R}_2-\text{P}-\text{L}-\text{P}-\text{R}_2$, wherein each R is independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, aryl, or aralkyl, and wherein L is alkanediyl, cycloalkanediyl, alkenediyl, or arenediyl. When any of these terms is used with the “substituted” modifier one or more hydrogen atom attached to a carbon atom has been independently replaced by $-\text{OH}$, $-\text{F}$, $-\text{Cl}$, $-\text{Br}$, $-\text{I}$, $-\text{NH}_2$, $-\text{NO}_2$, $-\text{N}_3$, $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$, $-\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{CN}$, $-\text{SH}$, $-\text{OCH}_3$, $-\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{NHCH}_3$, $-\text{NHCH}_2\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_2$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NH}_2$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{NHCH}_3$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_2$, $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{NHC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$, $-\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{OH}$, or $-\text{S}(\text{O})_2\text{NH}_2$.

As indicated above in some aspects the cell-targeting moiety is an antibody. As used herein, the term “antibody” is intended to include immunoglobulins and fragments thereof which are specifically reactive to the designated protein or peptide, or fragments thereof. Suitable antibodies include, but are not limited to, human antibodies, primatized antibodies, de-immunized antibodies, chimeric antibodies, bi-specific antibodies, humanized antibodies, conjugated antibodies (*i.e.*, antibodies conjugated or fused to other proteins, radiolabels, cytotoxins), Small Modular ImmunoPharmaceuticals (“SMIPsTM”), single chain antibodies, cameloid antibodies, antibody-like molecules (*e.g.*, anticalins), and antibody fragments. As used herein, the term “antibodies” also includes intact monoclonal antibodies, polyclonal antibodies, single domain antibodies (*e.g.*, shark single domain antibodies (*e.g.*, IgNAR or fragments thereof)), multispecific antibodies (*e.g.*, bi-specific antibodies) formed from at least two intact antibodies, and antibody fragments so long as they exhibit the desired biological activity. Antibody polypeptides for use herein may be of any type (*e.g.*, IgG, IgM, IgA, IgD and IgE). Generally, IgG and/or IgM are preferred because they are the most common antibodies in the physiological situation and because they are most easily made in a laboratory setting. As used herein the term antibody also encompasses an antibody fragment such as a portion of an

intact antibody, such as, for example, the antigen-binding or variable region of an antibody. Examples of antibody fragments include Fab, Fab', F(ab')₂, Fc and Fv fragments; triabodies; tetrabodies; linear antibodies; single-chain antibody molecules; and multi specific antibodies formed from antibody fragments. The term "antibody fragment" also includes any synthetic or genetically engineered protein that acts like an antibody by binding to a specific antigen to form a complex. For example, antibody fragments include isolated fragments, "Fv" fragments, consisting of the variable regions of the heavy and light chains, recombinant single chain polypeptide molecules in which light and heavy chain variable regions are connected by a peptide linker ("ScFv proteins"), and minimal recognition units consisting of the amino acid residues that mimic the hypervariable region. An oxygen linked antibody is an antibody which has a chemical function group such that the linkage between the antibody and the linker or compound is joined via an oxygen atom. Similarly, a nitrogen linked antibody is an antibody which has a chemical function group such that the linkage between the antibody and the linker or compound is joined via a nitrogen atom.

An "activating agent" in the context of this application is a reagent which enhances the reactivity of the compound. In some embodiments, an activating agent is a compound or complex which introduces a leaving group thus converting a group which has little to no reactivity into a reactive group which can be displaced through a displacement reaction. Some non-limiting examples of activating agents include dicarboxylates, cyanide containing compounds carbonyl diimidazole, dicyclohexylcarbodiimide, 2-methyl-6-nitrobenzoic anhydride, or a benzotriazole phosphonium reagent such as BOP and PyBOP. The term "leaving group" is the resultant product of the reaction of the functional group with an activating agent.

A "base" in the context of this application is a compound which has a lone pair of electron that can accept a proton. Non-limiting examples of a base can include triethylamine, a metal hydroxide, a metal alkoxide, a metal hydride, or a metal alkane. An alkyllithium or organolithium is a compound of the formula $\text{alkyl}_{(\text{C} \leq 12)}\text{-Li}$. A nitrogenous base is an alkylamine, dialkylamino, trialkylamine, nitrogen containing heterocycloalkane or heteroarene wherein the base can accept a proton to form a positively charged species. For example, but not limited to, a nitrogenous base could be 4,4-dimethylpyridine, pyridine, 1,8-diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene, diisopropylethylamine, or triethylamine. A metal alkoxide is an alkoxy group wherein the oxygen atom, which was the point of connectivity, has an extra electron and thus a negative charge which is charged balanced by the metal ion. For example, a metal alkoxide could be a sodium tert-butoxide or potassium methoxide. As used herein, the term "strong base" indicates a base which has a pK_a of greater than 20.

An "electrophilic compound" in the context of this application is a compound which has a polarized bond which can undergo a nucleophilic attack. Some non-limiting examples of electrophilic compounds include water, anhydrides, or Lewis acids.

An "oxidizing agent" in the context of this application is a compound which causes the oxidation of a compound by accepting an electron. Some non-limiting examples of oxidizing agent are oxygen gas,

peroxides, chlorite, hypochlorite, hypervalent iodide complexes, or a chromium compound such as pyridinium chlorochromate or hydrochromic acid.

A “reducing agent” in the context of this application is a compound which causes the reduction of a compound through the donation of an electron. A soft reducing agent is a reducing agent which contains electron delocalizing ligands which weaken the nucleophilic strength of the hydride. Some non-limiting examples of reducing agents are sodium borohydride, sodium triacetoxymethylborohydride, sodium cyanoborohydride, lithium aluminum hydride, diisobutylaluminum hydride, hydrogen gas, or metal hydride.

A “metal” in the context of this application is a transition metal or a metal of groups I or II. It may also be an element of Group 13 such as, but not limited to, boron and aluminum.

A “Lewis acid” is an atom or functional group which can accept a pair of electrons. In some embodiments, the Lewis acid is a metal atom. Without being bound by any theory, the Lewis acid increases the reactivity of one or more group to which it attached by increasing the polarization of a bond. Some non-limiting examples of Lewis acids include metal salts or boron compounds.

A “linker” in the context of this application is divalent chemical group which may be used to join one or more molecules to the compound of the instant disclosure. Linkers may also be an amino acid chain wherein the carboxy and amino terminus serve as the points of attachment for the linker. In some embodiments, the linker contains a reactive functional group, such as a carboxyl, an amide, an amine, a hydroxy, a mercapto, an aldehyde, or a ketone on each end that be used to join one or more molecules to the compounds of the instant disclosure. In some non-limiting examples, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$, $-\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}-$, $-\text{NHCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}-$, and $-(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_n-$, wherein n is between 1-1000, are linkers.

An “amine protecting group” is well understood in the art. An amine protecting group is a group which prevents the reactivity of the amine group during a reaction which modifies some other portion of the molecule and can be easily removed to generate the desired amine. Amine protecting groups can be found at least in Greene and Wuts, 1999, which is incorporated herein by reference. Some non-limiting examples of amino protecting groups include formyl, acetyl, propionyl, pivaloyl, t-butylacetyl, 2-chloroacetyl, 2-bromoacetyl, trifluoroacetyl, trichloroacetyl, o-nitrophenoxycarbonyl, α -chlorobutyryl, benzoyl, 4-chlorobenzoyl, 4-bromobenzoyl, 4-nitrobenzoyl, and the like; sulfonyl groups such as benzenesulfonyl, p-toluenesulfonyl and the like; alkoxy- or aryloxycarbonyl groups (which form urethanes with the protected amine) such as benzyloxycarbonyl (Cbz), p-chlorobenzyloxycarbonyl, p-methoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, p-nitrobenzyloxycarbonyl, 2-nitrobenzyloxycarbonyl, p-bromobenzyloxycarbonyl, 3,4-dimethoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, 3,5-dimethoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, 2,4-dimethoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, 4-methoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, 2-nitro-4,5-dimethoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, 3,4,5-trimethoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, 1-(p-biphenyl)-1-methylethoxycarbonyl, α,α -dimethyl-3,5-dimethoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, benzhydryloxycarbonyl, t-butyloxycarbonyl (Boc), diisopropylmethoxycarbonyl, isopropylloxycarbonyl, ethoxycarbonyl, methoxycarbonyl, allyloxycarbonyl (Alloc), 2,2,2-trichloroethoxycarbonyl, 2-trimethylsilylethylloxycarbonyl (Teoc), phenoxycarbonyl, 4-

nitrophenoxycarbonyl, fluorenyl-9-methoxycarbonyl (Fmoc), cyclopentylloxycarbonyl, adamantylloxycarbonyl, cyclohexylloxycarbonyl, phenylthiocarbonyl and the like; aralkyl groups such as benzyl, triphenylmethyl, benzyloxymethyl and the like; and silyl groups such as trimethylsilyl and the like. Additionally, the “amine protecting group” can be a divalent protecting group such that both hydrogen
 5 atoms on a primary amine are replaced with a single protecting group. In such a situation the amine protecting group can be phthalimide (phth) or a substituted derivative thereof wherein the term “substituted” is as defined above. In some embodiments, the halogenated phthalimide derivative may be tetrachlorophthalimide (TCphth). When used herein, a “protected amino group”, is a group of the formula $PG_{MA}NH-$ or $PG_{DA}N-$ wherein PG_{MA} is a monovalent amine protecting group, which may also be
 10 described as a “monvalently protected amino group” and PG_{DA} is a divalent amine protecting group as described above, which may also be described as a “divalently protected amino group”.

A “hydroxyl protecting group” is well understood in the art. A hydroxyl protecting group is a group which prevents the reactivity of the hydroxyl group during a reaction which modifies some other portion of the molecule and can be easily removed to generate the desired hydroxyl. Hydroxyl protecting
 15 groups can be found at least in Greene and Wuts, 1999, which is incorporated herein by reference. Some non-limiting examples of hydroxyl protecting groups include acyl groups such as formyl, acetyl, propionyl, pivaloyl, t-butylacetyl, 2-chloroacetyl, 2-bromoacetyl, trifluoroacetyl, trichloroacetyl, o-nitrophenoxyacetyl, α -chlorobutyryl, benzoyl, 4-chlorobenzoyl, 4-bromobenzoyl, 4-nitrobenzoyl, and the like; sulfonyl groups such as benzenesulfonyl, p-toluenesulfonyl and the like; acyloxy groups such as
 20 benzyloxycarbonyl (Cbz), p-chlorobenzyloxycarbonyl, p-methoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, p-nitrobenzyloxycarbonyl, 2-nitrobenzyloxycarbonyl, p-bromobenzyloxycarbonyl, 3,4-dimethoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, 3,5-dimethoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, 2,4-dimethoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, 4-methoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, 2-nitro-4,5-dimethoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, 3,4,5-trimethoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, 1-(p-biphenyl)-1-methylethoxycarbonyl, α,α -dimethyl-3,5-
 25 dimethoxybenzyloxycarbonyl, benzhydryloxycarbonyl, t-butyloxycarbonyl (Boc), diisopropylmethoxycarbonyl, isopropylloxycarbonyl, ethoxycarbonyl, methoxycarbonyl, allyloxycarbonyl (Alloc), 2,2,2-trichloroethoxycarbonyl, 2-trimethylsilylethylloxycarbonyl (Teoc), phenoxycarbonyl, 4-nitrophenoxycarbonyl, fluorenyl-9-methoxycarbonyl (Fmoc), cyclopentylloxycarbonyl, adamantylloxycarbonyl, cyclohexylloxycarbonyl, phenylthiocarbonyl and the like; aralkyl groups such as
 30 benzyl, triphenylmethyl, benzyloxymethyl and the like; and silyl groups such as trimethylsilyl and the like. When used herein, a protected hydroxy group is a group of the formula PG_HO- wherein PG_H is a hydroxyl protecting group as described above.

A “thiol protecting group” is well understood in the art. A thiol protecting group is a group which prevents the reactivity of the mercapto group during a reaction which modifies some other portion of the
 35 molecule and can be easily removed to generate the desired mercapto group. Thiol protecting groups can be found at least in Greene and Wuts, 1999, which is incorporated herein by reference. Some non-limiting examples of thiol protecting groups include acyl groups such as formyl, acetyl, propionyl, pivaloyl, t-butylacetyl, 2-chloroacetyl, 2-bromoacetyl, trifluoroacetyl, trichloroacetyl, o-nitrophenoxyacetyl, α -

chlorobutyryl, benzoyl, 4-chlorobenzoyl, 4-bromobenzoyl, 4-nitrobenzoyl, and the like; sulfonyl groups such as benzenesulfonyl, p-toluenesulfonyl and the like; acyloxy groups such as benzyloxy carbonyl (Cbz), p-chlorobenzyloxy carbonyl, p-methoxybenzyloxy carbonyl, p-nitrobenzyloxy carbonyl, 2-nitrobenzyloxy carbonyl, p-bromobenzyloxy carbonyl, 3,4-dimethoxybenzyloxy carbonyl, 3,5-dimethoxybenzyloxy carbonyl, 2,4-dimethoxybenzyloxy carbonyl, 4-methoxybenzyloxy carbonyl, 2-nitro-4,5-dimethoxybenzyloxy carbonyl, 3,4,5-trimethoxybenzyloxy carbonyl, 1-(p-biphenyl)-1-methylethoxy carbonyl, α,α -dimethyl-3,5-dimethoxybenzyloxy carbonyl, benzhydryloxy carbonyl, t-butyloxy carbonyl (Boc), diisopropylmethoxy carbonyl, isopropyl oxy carbonyl, ethoxy carbonyl, methoxy carbonyl, allyloxy carbonyl (Alloc), 2,2,2-trichloroethoxy carbonyl, 2-trimethylsilylethoxy carbonyl (Teoc), phenoxy carbonyl, 4-nitrophenoxy carbonyl, fluorenyl-9-methoxy carbonyl (Fmoc), cyclopentyl oxy carbonyl, adamantyl oxy carbonyl, cyclohexyl oxy carbonyl, phenylthio carbonyl and the like; aralkyl groups such as benzyl, triphenylmethyl, benzyloxymethyl and the like; and silyl groups such as trimethylsilyl and the like. When used herein, a protected thiol group is a group of the formula $\text{PG}_T\text{S}-$ wherein PG_T is a thiol protecting group as described above.

A “stereoisomer” or “optical isomer” is an isomer of a given compound in which the same atoms are bonded to the same other atoms, but where the configuration of those atoms in three dimensions differs. “Enantiomers” are stereoisomers of a given compound that are mirror images of each other, like left and right hands. “Diastereomers” are stereoisomers of a given compound that are not enantiomers. Chiral molecules contain a chiral center, also referred to as a stereocenter or stereogenic center, which is any point, though not necessarily an atom, in a molecule bearing groups such that an interchanging of any two groups leads to a stereoisomer. In organic compounds, the chiral center is typically a carbon, phosphorus or sulfur atom, though it is also possible for other atoms to be stereocenters in organic and inorganic compounds. A molecule can have multiple stereocenters, giving it many stereoisomers. In compounds whose stereoisomerism is due to tetrahedral stereogenic centers (*e.g.*, tetrahedral carbon), the total number of hypothetically possible stereoisomers will not exceed 2^n , where n is the number of tetrahedral stereocenters. Molecules with symmetry frequently have fewer than the maximum possible number of stereoisomers. A 50:50 mixture of enantiomers is referred to as a racemic mixture. Alternatively, a mixture of enantiomers can be enantiomerically enriched so that one enantiomer is present in an amount greater than 50%. Typically, enantiomers and/or diastereomers can be resolved or separated using techniques known in the art. It is contemplated that that for any stereocenter or axis of chirality for which stereochemistry has not been defined, that stereocenter or axis of chirality can be present in its *R* form, *S* form, or as a mixture of the *R* and *S* forms, including racemic and non-racemic mixtures. As used herein, the phrase “substantially free from other stereoisomers” means that the composition contains $\leq 15\%$, more preferably $\leq 10\%$, even more preferably $\leq 5\%$, or most preferably $\leq 1\%$ of another stereoisomer(s).

VI. Examples

The following examples are included to demonstrate preferred embodiments of the invention. It should be appreciated by those of skill in the art that the techniques disclosed in the examples which follow

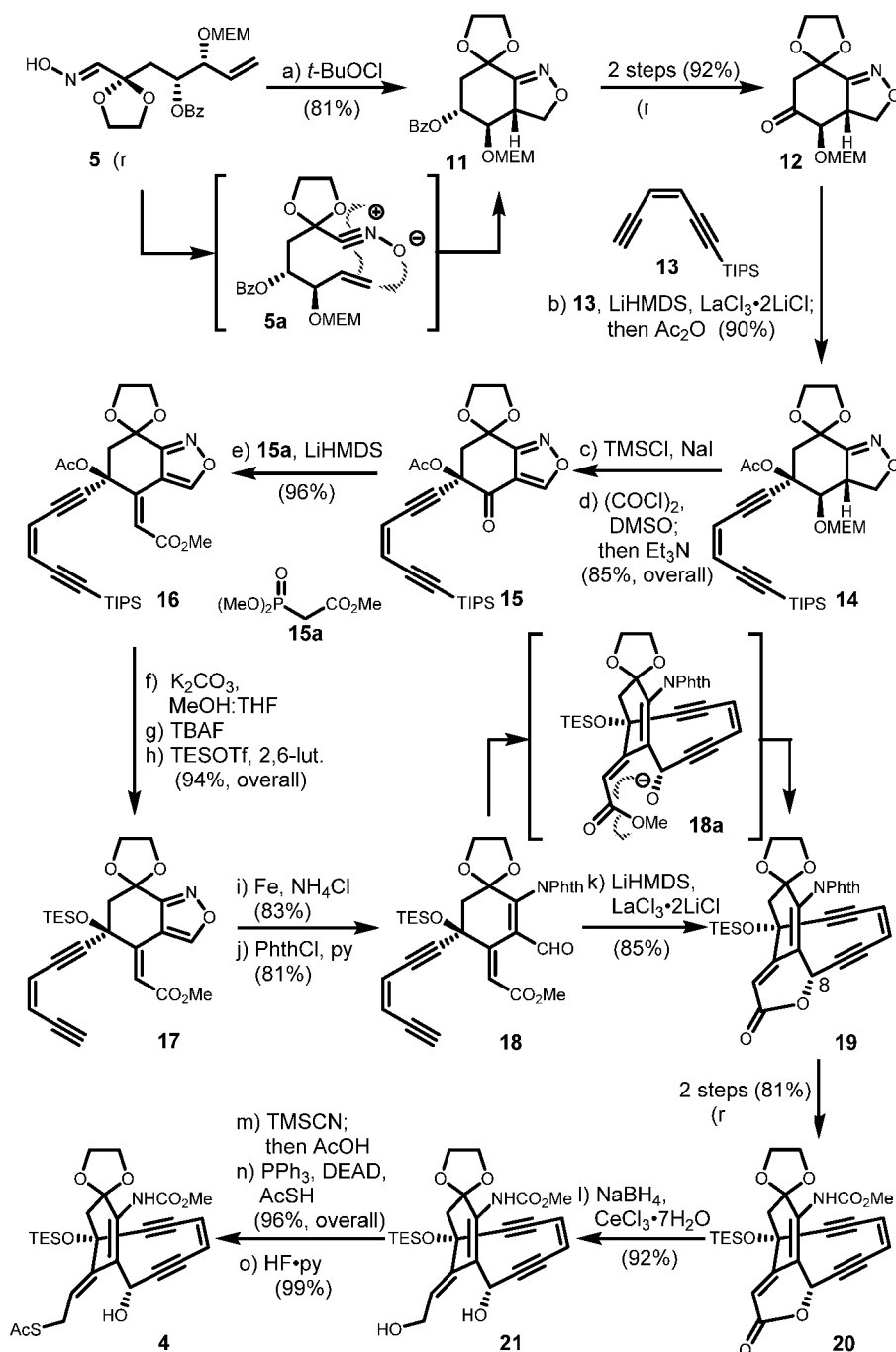
represent techniques discovered by the inventor to function well in the practice of the invention, and thus can be considered to constitute preferred modes for its practice. However, those of skill in the art should, in light of the present disclosure, appreciate that many changes can be made in the specific embodiments which are disclosed and still obtain a like or similar result without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention.

EXAMPLE 1 – Synthesis of Shishijimicin and Analogs

The similarities of shishijimicin A (**1**) (Oku *et al.*, 2003) with calicheamicin γ_1^I (Lee *et al.*, 1987a and Lee *et al.*, 1987b) extend from their common enediyne moiety to their Bergman cycloaromatization-based mechanism of action involving double strand DNA cleavage (Jones & Bergman, 1972). Their structures, however, differ substantially with regards to the constitution of their pentacyclic DNA binding domain that includes a carboline system for shishijimicin A and a fully substituted iodophenyl ring for calicheamicin γ_1^I , both known DNA binding structural motifs (Xiao *et al.*, 2001 and Gomez Paloma *et al.*, 1994). The synthetic roadmap toward shishijimicin A (**1**) was developed on the basis of the retrosynthetic analysis shown in FIG. 1. Thus, protection of the phenolic (TBS), amino (Alloc) and tertiary hydroxyl (TES) groups and transformation of the methyl trisulfide of the target molecule to a thioacetate moiety in the retrosynthetic sense led to its protected enediyne thioacetate **2** as a potential precursor. Disconnection of the glycoside bond linking the enediyne domain of thioacetate precursor **2** with its pentacyclic appendage revealed enediyne thioacetate fragment **4** and trichloroacetimidate **3** as potential advanced intermediates for coupling in the synthetic direction. The enediyne thioacetate fragment **4** was traced back to the readily available key building block **5**, previously employed in the total synthesis (Nicolaou *et al.*, 1992; Groneberg *et al.*, 1993; Smith *et al.*, 1993 and Nicolaou *et al.*, 1993) of calicheamicin γ_1^I . The pentacyclic advanced intermediate **3** was further disconnected at the indicated carbon-carbon bond bridging the carboline structural motif to the disaccharide domain, furnishing iodocarboline **6** and disaccharide aldehyde **7** [upon modification of the trichloroacetimidate group to the photolabile *o*-nitrobenzyl (NB) ether protecting group] as potential precursors. Finally, iodocarboline **6** was traced back to tryptamine derivative **8**, while disaccharide **7** was disconnected to its obvious monosaccharide units **9** (acceptor) and **10** (donor) as building blocks (Nicolaou *et al.*, 2011).

The synthesis of the required enediyne thioacetate precursor **4** from building block **5** (Smith *et al.*, 1993) proceeded as shown in Scheme 1. This route represents a streamlined and improved version of the original synthesis of the benzoate counterpart of thioacetate enediyne **4** employed in the total synthesis of calicheamicin γ_1^I (19 steps, 21% overall yield from **5**, vs. 21 steps, 1.7% overall yield from **5**) (Nicolaou *et al.*, 1992; Groneberg *et al.*, 1993; Smith *et al.*, 1993 and Nicolaou *et al.*, 1993). It should also be noted that thioacetate **4** is a more advanced precursor for the methyl trisulfide unit required for both shishijimicin A and calicheamicin γ_1^I , thereby saving steps in the post-coupling sequence to the final target. Thus, and as shown in Scheme 1, oxidation of oxime **5** to the corresponding nitrile-oxide (**5a**) with the improved conditions involving *t*-BuOCl followed by spontaneous [3+2] dipolar cycloaddition of the latter intermediate (see **5a**, Scheme 1) led to **11** in 81% overall yield and $\geq 10:1$ dr (as compared to 51% yield

and ca. 4:1 dr in the previous route) (Smith *et al.*, 1993). Conversion of the latter compound to ketone **12** (deprotection/oxidation) proceeded smoothly as previously reported (two steps, 92% overall yield) (Smith *et al.*, 1993). The subsequent coupling of **12** with enediyne fragment **13**, however, was improved by using LiHMDS in the presence of $\text{LaCl}_3 \cdot 2\text{LiCl}$ (Krasovskiy *et al.*, 2006a) affording, after *in situ* acetylation, the desired enediyne **14** in 90% overall yield (as compared to 69% yield under the originally employed conditions) (Smith *et al.*, 1993). Removal of the MEM group from **14**, followed by Swern oxidation of the resulting secondary alcohol and concomitant oxidation of the isoxazoline to the isoxazole moiety furnished keto-isoxazole **15** (85% overall yield for the two steps). The latter intermediate served admirably as a substrate for the exclusively *E*-selective HWE olefination that followed (**15a**: $(\text{MeO})_2\text{P}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$, LiHMDS), leading to *E*- α,β -unsaturated methyl ester **16** in 96% yield. TIPS-acetylene acetate **16** was then transformed, in 94% overall yield, to terminal acetylene TES-ether **17** through a sequence involving removal of the acetate group (K_2CO_3), cleavage of the TIPS moiety (TBAF), and silylation (TESOTf). Rupture of the isoxazole moiety within **17** was then achieved more conveniently and efficiently than before (Smith *et al.*, 1993) through the use of Fe in $\text{EtOH}:\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (83%), and the resulting amino aldehyde was captured by phthaloyl chloride (PhthCl) in the presence of pyridine to afford *N*-phthalide aldehyde **18** (81%). The direct and stereoselective cyclization of terminal acetylene aldehyde **18** to cyclic enediyne **19** (via intermediate **18a**, see Scheme 1) with LiHMDS– $\text{LaCl}_3 \cdot 2\text{LiCl}$ (Krasovskiy *et al.*, 2006) in THF in 85% yield represents an improvement over the previously used three-step sequence requiring inversion of the opposite configuration at C8 obtained from the same substrate (**18**) through the use of KHMDS in toluene (Smith *et al.*, 1993). The *N*-phthalide moiety of cyclic enediyne **19** was then converted to the desired methyl carbamate group by reaction with MeNHNH_2 , followed by exposure of the resulting amine to triphosgene in the presence of pyridine and MeOH as previously reported (Smith *et al.*, 1993), affording enediyne lactone **20** in 81% overall yield. Reduction of the lactone moiety within **20** was achieved in one step and 92% yield, through the employment of $\text{NaBH}_4\text{--CeCl}_3 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (as opposed to two steps and 84% overall yield in the original route) (Smith *et al.*, 1993), providing an additional improvement in the overall sequence to enediyne diol **21**. Finally, conversion of **21** to the targeted enediyne thioacetate fragment **4** was accomplished efficiently by sequential treatment with excess TMSCN (bis-silylation), AcOH (selective primary TMS cleavage), $\text{Ph}_3\text{P-DEAD-AcSH}$ (Mitsunobu reaction, thioacetate formation) and $\text{HF} \cdot \text{py}$ (secondary TMS cleavage) in 95% overall yield.

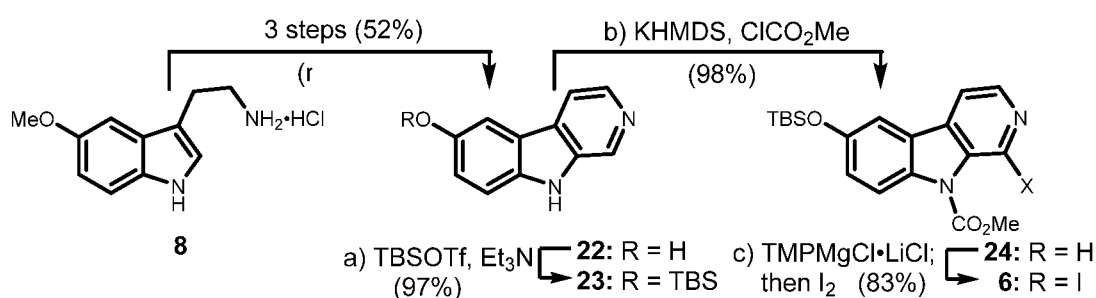


Scheme 1: Synthesis of enediyne thioacetate fragment 4. Reagents and conditions: a) *t*-BuOCl (3.0 equiv.), benzene, 25 °C, 30 min, 81%; b) **13** (3.0 equiv.), LiHMDS (2.8 equiv.), LaCl₃·2LiCl (5.0 equiv.), THF, -78 °C, 30 min; then **12**, -78 °C, 30 min; then Ac₂O (10.0 equiv.), -78 to 25 °C, 2 h, 90%; c) TMSCl (4.0 equiv.), NaI (2.0 equiv.), MeCN, 0 to 25 °C, 30 min; d) (COCl)₂ (4.0 equiv.), DMSO (8.0 equiv.), CH₂Cl₂, -78 °C, 30 min; then Et₃N (10.0 equiv.), -78 to 25 °C, 1.5 h, 85% for the two steps; e) (MeO)₂P(O)CH₂CO₂Me (**15a**, 2.0 equiv.), LiHMDS (1.5 equiv.), THF, -78 to 25 °C, 1.5 h, 96%; f) K₂CO₃ (1.0 equiv.), MeOH:THF (1:1), 0 to 25 °C, 3 h; g) TBAF (1.0 equiv.), THF, 0 °C, 10 min; h) TESOTf (1.5 equiv.), 2,6-lut. (2.0 equiv.), CH₂Cl₂, 0 to 25 °C, 2 h, 94% for the three steps; i) Fe (25 equiv.), NH₄Cl (50 equiv.), EtOH:H₂O (1:1), 60 °C, 8 h, 83%; j) PhthCl (1.5 equiv.), py (4.0 equiv.), MeNO₂, 0 °C, 30 min, 81%; k) LiHMDS (2.0 equiv.), LaCl₃·2LiCl (3.0 equiv.), THF, -78 °C, 1 h, 85%; l) NaBH₄ (2.0 equiv.), CeCl₃·7H₂O (3.0 equiv.), MeOH, 25 °C, 2 h, 92%; m) TMSCN (neat), 25 °C, 30 min; then remove excess TMSCN; then dissolve in THF:H₂O (5:1), AcOH (5.0 equiv.), 0 °C, 30 min; n) PPh₃ (5.0 equiv.), DEAD (5.0 equiv.), AcSH (5.0 equiv.), THF, 0 °C, 5 min, 96% for the two steps; o) HF·py:THF (1:20), 0 °C, 30 min, 99%. LiHMDS = lithium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide; TMS = trimethylsilyl; DMSO = dimethyl

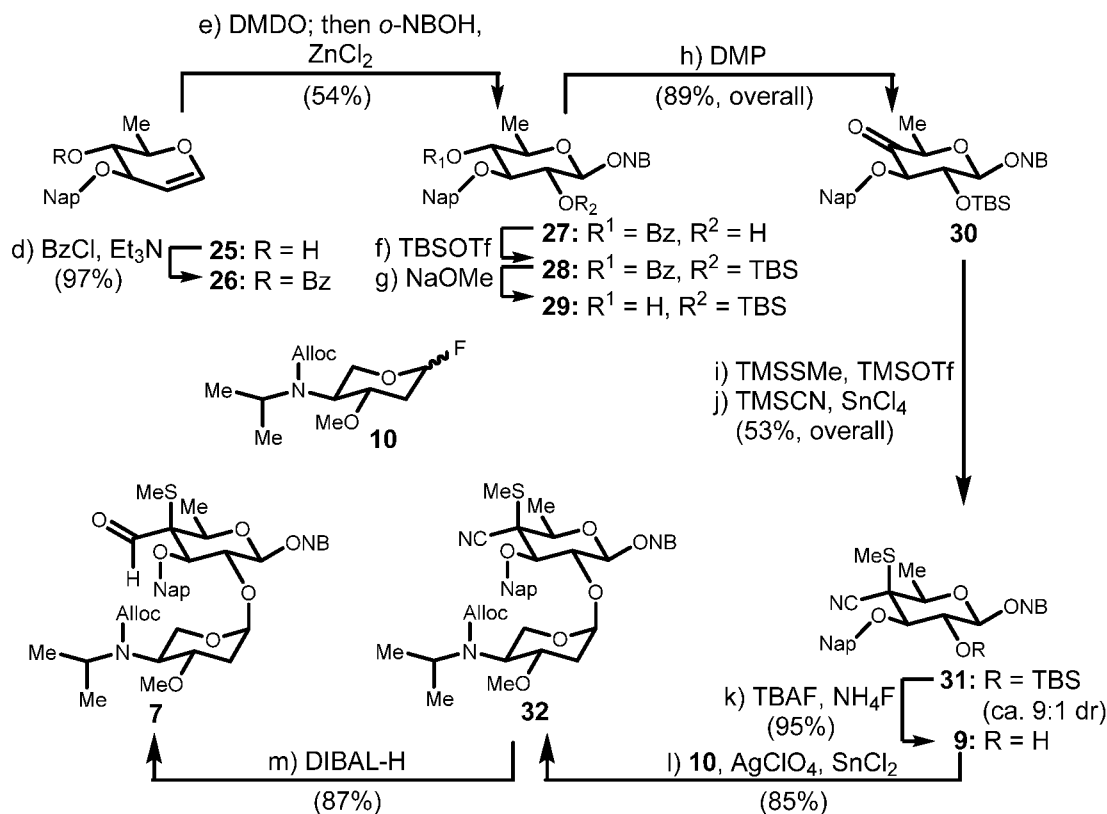
sulfoxide; TBAF = tetra-*n*-butyl ammonium fluoride; 2,6-lut. = 2,6-lutidine; Phth = phthaloyl; py = pyridine; DEAD = diethyl azodicarboxylate.

Scheme 2 summarizes the construction of iodocarboline **6** (Scheme 2A) and disaccharide aldehyde **7** (Scheme 2B). Thus, carboline **22** (Scheme 2A, prepared in 52% overall yield from the commercially available 5-methoxytryptamine **8** through a known, three-step sequence) (Schott *et al.*, 2006) was silylated (TBSOTf, Et₃N, 97% yield) to afford **23**, which was converted to carbamate **24** (KHMDS, CICO₂Me, 98% yield). The latter compound was reacted with 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl piperidyl magnesium chloride•lithium chloride complex (TMPMgCl•LiCl) (Krasovskiy *et al.*, 2006b) and I₂, furnishing the desired iodocarboline **6** in 83% yield.

a: Construction of iodocarboline derivative 6



b: Construction of disaccharide aldehyde 7

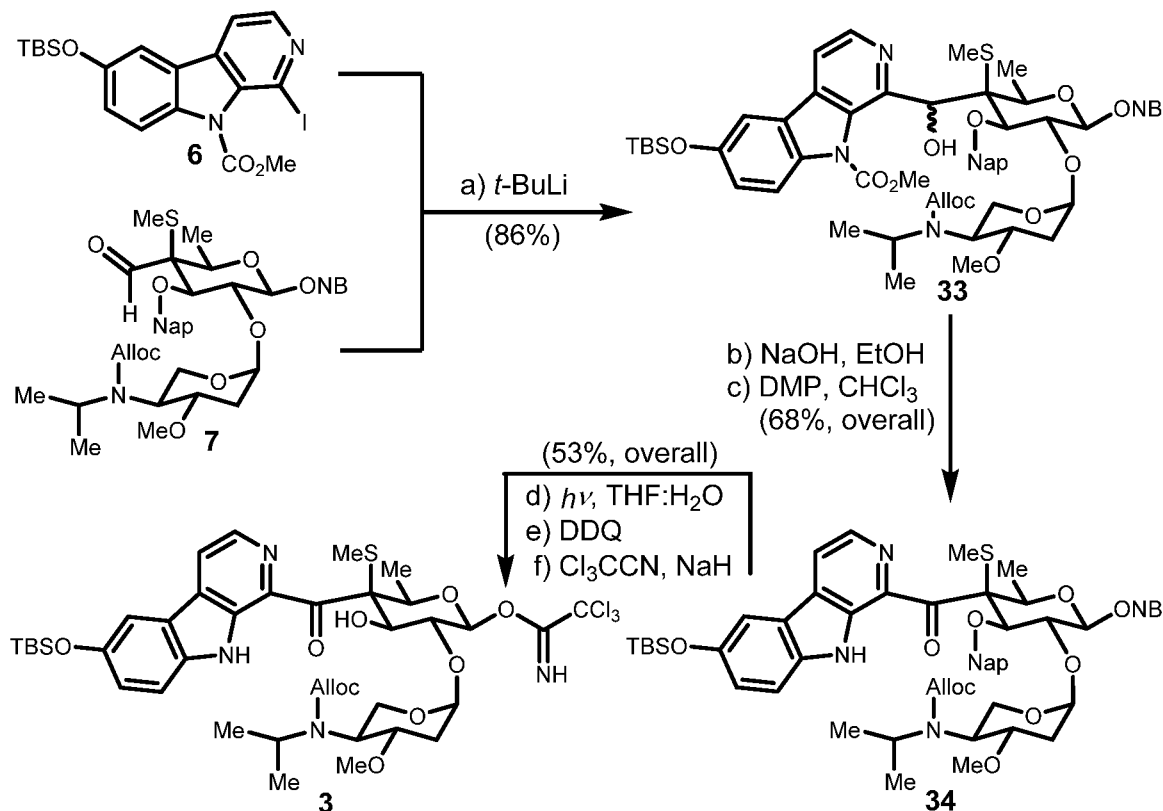


Scheme 2: Synthesis of iodocarboline **6 (a) and disaccharide **7** (b).** Reagents and conditions: a) TBSOTf (1.05 equiv.), Et₃N (3.0 equiv.), DMF, 0 °C, 30 min, 97%; b) CICO₂Me (1.1 equiv.), KHMDS (1.05 equiv.),

THF, 0 °C, 30 min, 98%; c) TMPMgCl•LiCl (4.0 equiv.), THF, -78 to 25 °C, 4 h; then I₂ (5.0 equiv.), THF, -78 to 0 °C, 30 min, 83%; d) BzCl (1.05 equiv.), Et₃N (1.1 equiv.), CH₂Cl₂, 0 °C, 30 min, 97%; e) Oxone[®] (5.0 equiv.), NaHCO₃ (25 equiv.), acetone:H₂O:CH₂Cl₂ (1:3:4), 25 °C, 4 h; then *o*-NBOH (3.0 equiv.), ZnCl₂ (1.5 equiv.), 4 Å MS, THF, -78 to 25 °C, 4 h, 54%; f) TBSOTf (1.05 equiv.), Et₃N (1.1 equiv.), CH₂Cl₂, 0 °C, 30 min; g) NaOMe (10.0 equiv.), MeOH, 40 °C, 24 h; h) DMP (1.2 equiv.), CH₂Cl₂, 0 to 25 °C, 1 h, 89% for the three steps; i) TMSSMe (2.5 equiv.), TMSOTf (1.5 equiv.), toluene, -20 to 0 °C, 30 min, 61%; j) TMSCN (3.5 equiv.), SnCl₄ (1.5 equiv.), CH₂Cl₂, 0 °C, 3 h, 87% (ca. 9:1 dr); k) TBAF (5.0 equiv.), NH₄F (10.0 equiv.), THF, 0 °C, 1 h, 95%; l) **10** (2.2 equiv.), AgClO₄ (2.5 equiv.), SnCl₂ (2.5 equiv.), 4 Å MS, THF, -78 to 25 °C, 12 h, 85%; m) DIBAL-H (3.0 equiv.), CH₂Cl₂, -78 °C, 45 min, 87%. KHMDS = potassium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide; TMP = 2,2,6,6-tetramethyl piperidiny1; DMDO = dimethyldioxirane; *o*-NBOH = *o*-nitrobenzyl alcohol; DMP = Dess–Martin Periodinane; DIBAL-H = diisobutylaluminum hydride.

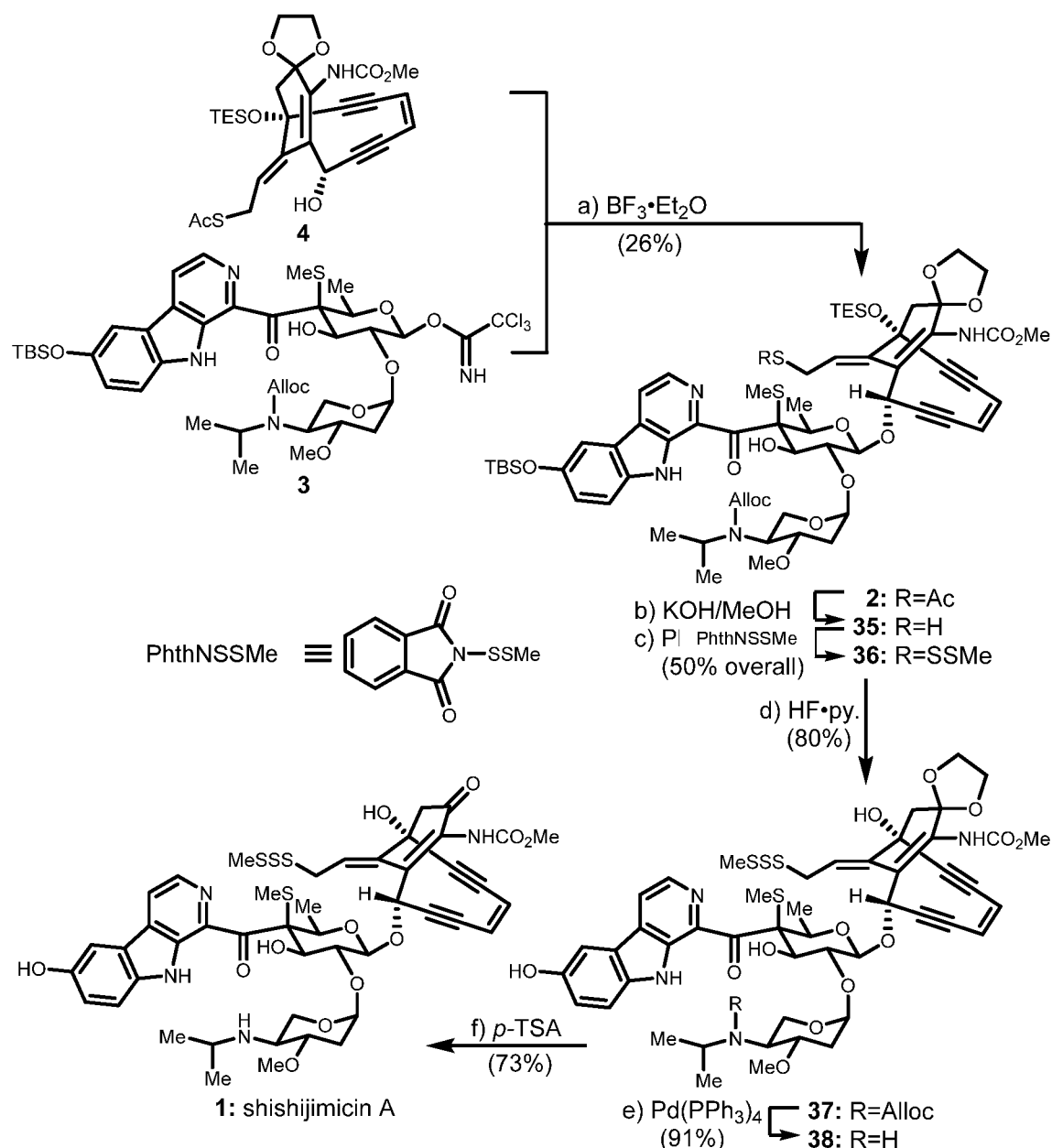
The required disaccharide **7** was synthesized from the readily available glucal **25** (Tanaka *et al.*, 2010) and glycosyl fluoride **10** (Nicolaou *et al.*, 2011 and Badalassi *et al.*, 1997) as depicted in Scheme 2B. Thus, benzoylation of the free hydroxyl group of **25** (BzCl, Et₃N, 97% yield) followed by sequential treatment of the resulting benzoate glucal **26** with *in situ* generated DMDO and *o*-nitrobenzyl alcohol (*o*-NBOH) furnished hydroxy-*o*-nitrobenzyl ether **27** in 54% overall yield via the corresponding epoxide intermediate (Halcomb & Danishefsky, 1989). The newly generated hydroxyl group of the latter compound was converted to its TBS ether (TBSOTf, Et₃N) affording **28**, from which the benzoate moiety was cleaved (NaOMe) to give alcohol **29**. DMP oxidation of this intermediate led to ketone **30** in 89% overall yield for the three steps from **27**. Reaction of ketone **30** with TMSSMe in the presence of TMSOTf furnished the corresponding methylthioketal (Nicolaou *et al.*, 2011 and Evans *et al.*, 1977), which underwent stereoselective cyanation (Reetz & Starke, 1984) upon exposure to TMSCN and SnCl₄ to afford nitriles **31** and 4-*epi*-**31** (ca. 9:1 dr, 53% yield for the two steps). Removal of the TBS group from nitrile **31** (TBAF, NH₄F) (Fürstner & Weintritt, 1998) gave carbohydrate acceptor **9** (95% yield), whose coupling with carbohydrate donor **10** (Nicolaou *et al.*, 2011 and Badalassi *et al.*, 1997) proceeded smoothly in the presence of AgClO₄ and SnCl₂ to afford stereoselectively the desired α -glycoside **32** in 85% yield. Finally, DIBAL-H reduction of the nitrile group within **32** led to the targeted aldehyde **7** in 87% yield.

The coupling of iodocarboline **6** and disaccharide aldehyde **7** proceeded through the lithio-derivative of the former (generated with *t*-BuLi at -78 °C) and led to alcohol **33** (86% yield, ca. 1:1 dr, inconsequential) as shown in Scheme 3. Treatment of carboline carbamate **33** with NaOH in EtOH led to the corresponding free amine, whose oxidation with DMP gave ketone **34** in 68% yield over the two steps. Photolytic cleavage (Nicolaou *et al.*, 1993) of the *o*-nitrobenzyl ether moiety from the latter compound, followed by sequential treatment with DDQ (removal of naphthyl group) and Cl₃CCN–NaH (trichloroacetimidate formation) resulted, stereoselectively, in the formation of the coveted trichloroacetimidate **3** (53% overall yield, β -anomer exclusively).



Scheme 3: Coupling of iodocarboline 6 and aldehyde 7 and elaboration of the product to trichloroacetimidate 3. Reagents and conditions: a) **6** (3.0 equiv.), $t\text{-BuLi}$ (6.0 equiv.), THF, -78°C , 30 min; then **7**, -78 to -35°C , 40 min, 86% (ca. 1:1 dr) based on **7**; b) NaOH (3.0 equiv.), EtOH, 0 to 25°C , 2.5 h; c) DMP (1.1 equiv.), CHCl_3 , 0 to 35°C , 10 min, 68% for the two steps; d) $h\nu$, THF: H_2O (10:1), 4.5 h; e) DDQ (2.5 equiv.), CH_2Cl_2 : H_2O (10:1), 30°C , 1.5 h; f) NaH (2.0 equiv.), Cl_3CCN : CH_2Cl_2 (1:2), 25°C , 5 min, 53% for the three steps. DDQ = 2,3-dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone.

Having assembled the two advanced intermediates, trichloroacetimidate **3** and hydroxy enediyne **4**, the next objective became their coupling and elaboration of the resulting product to shishijimicin A (**1**). Scheme 4 depicts how this challenging task was accomplished. Indeed, it was after considerable experimentation that the two fragments (such as **3** and **4**) were joined through the action of $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{Et}_2\text{O}$ to afford, selectively, β -glycoside **2** (26% yield). Note that the corresponding naphthyl ether trichloroacetimidate proved resistant to glycosidation, presumably due to severe steric hindrance, an effect also assumed to be responsible for the observed, rather low yield of the reaction between **3** and **4**. Enediyne thioacetate **2** was transformed to the protected form of shishijimicin A, precursor **36**, through sequential treatment with KOH in MeOH (acetate cleavage) and N -methyldithiophthalimide (PhthNSSMe (Harpp & Ash, 1971), 50% overall yield) via thiol derivative **35**. Desilylation of **36** with $\text{HF} \cdot \text{py}$ furnished advanced intermediate **37** (80% yield) from which the Alloc protecting group was removed by exposure to $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$ cat., leading to shishijimicin A penultimate precursor ketal **38** (91% yield). Finally, cleavage of the ketal moiety from precursor **38** gave the targeted natural product, shishijimicin A (**1**), in 73% yield. The physical data of synthetic **1** matched those reported for the natural substance (Oku *et al.*, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 125:2044–2045, 2003).

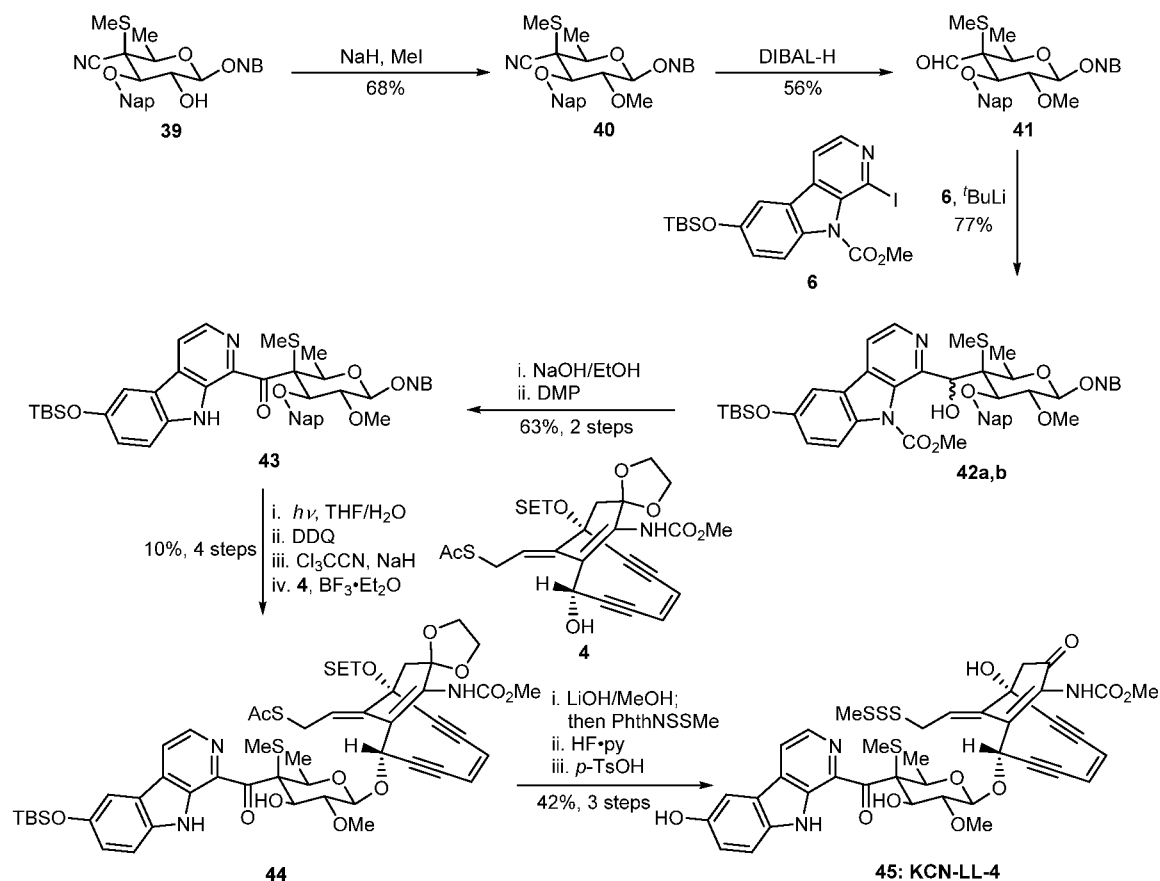


Scheme 4: Coupling of fragments 3 and 4 and total synthesis of shishijimicin A (1). Reagents and conditions: a) $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$ (3.5 equiv.), 4 Å MS, CH_2Cl_2 , -78 to -40 °C, 1 h, 26% based on 3; b) KOH (10.0 equiv.), MeOH , -5 °C, 1.5 h; then AcOH (10.0 equiv.); c) PhthNSSMe (6.0 equiv.), CH_2Cl_2 , 0 °C, 15 min, 50% for the two steps; d) $\text{HF} \cdot \text{py.}$: THF (1:20), 0 to 25 °C, 4 h, 80%; e) $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$ (0.5 equiv.), morpholine (15 equiv.), THF , 0 °C, 45 min, 91%; f) $p\text{-TSA}$ (3.0 equiv.), THF : acetone : H_2O (20:20:1), 25 °C, 48 h, 73%. $p\text{-TSA}$ = p -toluenesulfonic acid.

Monosaccharide analog **45** (KCN-LL-4) was prepared as outlined in Scheme 5. Starting from modified saccharide **39**, the free hydroxyl group was methylated using methyl iodide in the presence of a strong base such as NaH in 68% yield to generate methylated saccharide **40**. The methylated saccharide **40** was reduced with DIBAL-H to generate aldehyde **41**. Aldehyde **41** was reacted with iodocarboline **6** was carried out with $t\text{-BuLi}$ to generate in a 77% yield coupling product alcohol **42a** and **42b** (as diastereomers). Following a basic work-up, the diastereomeric mixture **42a** and **42b** was oxidized with Dess-Martin periodinane to generate ketone **43** in 63% yield. Coupling of the aldehyde **43** was affected

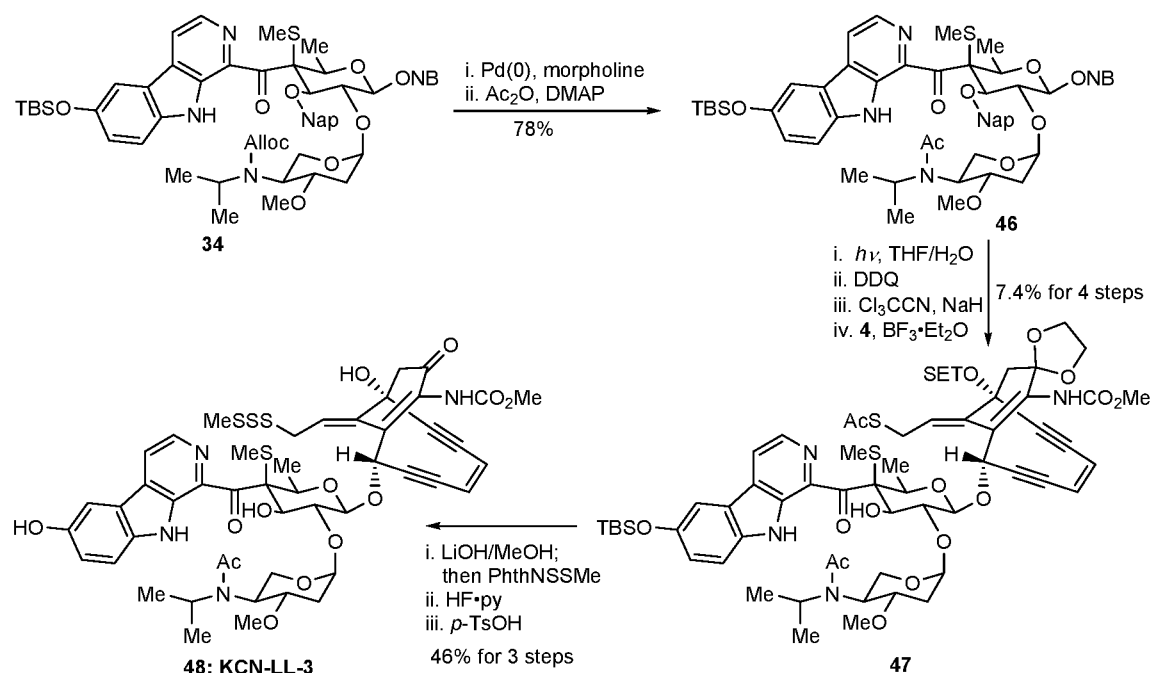
with the enediyne unit **4** with deprotection of some of the hydroxyl groups on the saccharide in four steps with a 10% yield to generate enediyne thioacetate **44**. The enediyne thioacetate **44** was reacted with an activated methyl disulfide and subjected to deprotection with fluoride and acid to generate the monosaccharide shishijimicin analog **45** (KCN-LL-4) with a 42% yield in three steps.

5 Scheme 5: Synthesis of Monosaccharide Derivative KCN-LL-4 (**45**)



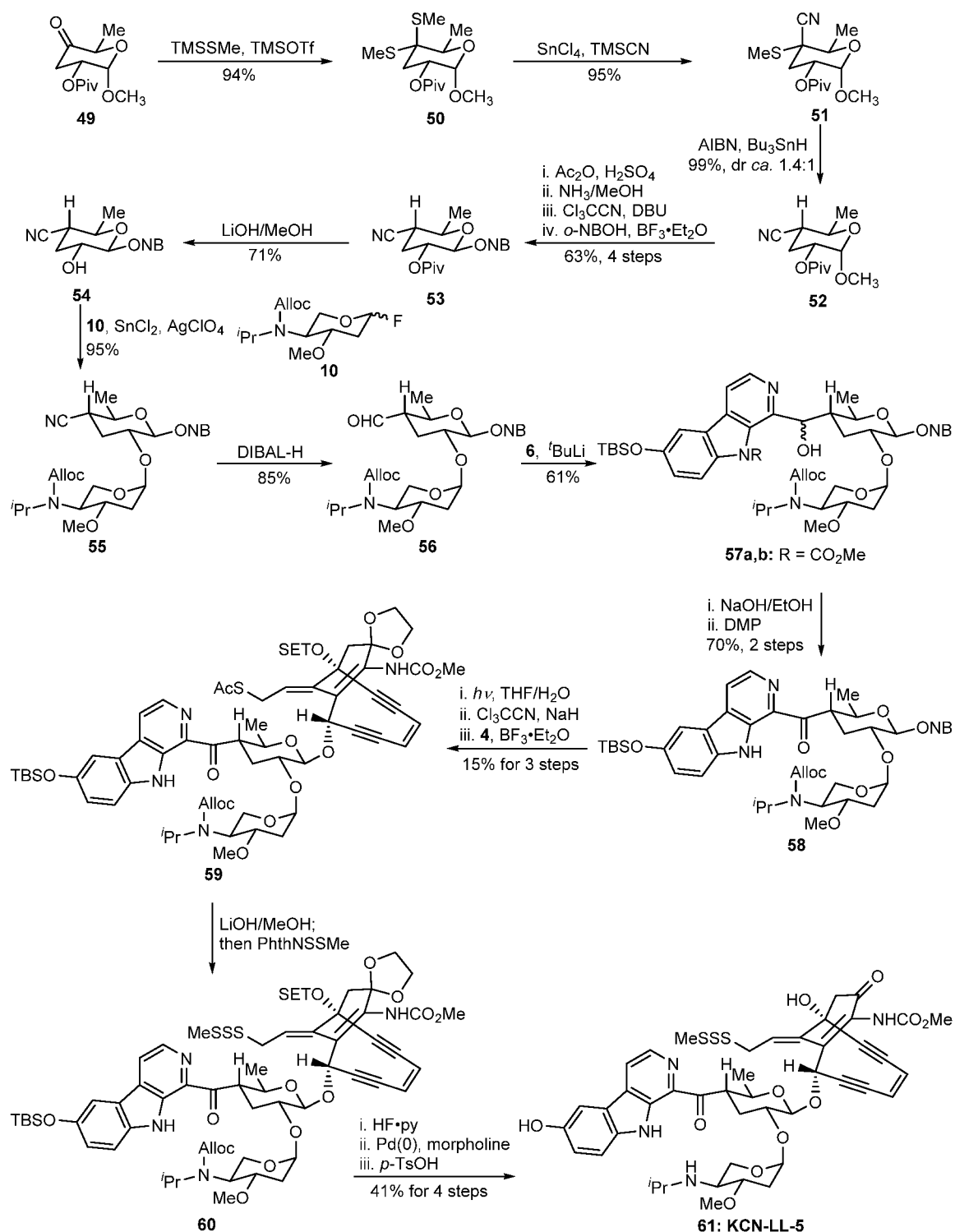
Starting from ketone **34**, the secondary amine in the lower saccharide was deprotected and then acetylated using acetic anhydride to generate *N*-acetyl derivative **46** in 78% yield. Following deprotection, the enediyne component **4** was coupled with *N*-acetyl derivative **46** in 7.4% yield over four steps to generate enediyne thioacetate **47** which was covered to the corresponding trisulfide analog **48** under basic conditions followed by deprotection using fluoride and acid.

Scheme 6: Synthesis of Shishijimicin A analog, KCN-LL-3 (48)



Starting with carbonyl **49**, the carbonyl was converted to dimethylthio compound **50** by the reaction of TMSSMe and TMS triflate in 94% yield. The dimethylthio compound **50** was reacted with TMS cyanide in the presence of tin(IV) chloride to obtain cyano compound **51**. This compound was reacted using tributyltin hydride in the presence of radical initiator AIBN to obtain reduced cyano compound **52** in 99% yield and 1.4:1 diastereomeric ratio. Anomeric cyano compound **53** was prepared in four steps and 63% yield from cyano compound **17**. The pivaloyl protecting group in compound **53** was removed with LiOH in 71% yield to obtain hydroxyl **54**. Saccharide **10** was coupled to hydroxyl **54** by coupling with tin(II) chloride and silver perchlorate in 95% yield to generate disaccharide **55**. The cyano group of **55** was reduced with DIBAL-H to obtain aldehyde **56** in 85% yield. The iodocarboline **6** was coupled with the disaccharide **56** in the presence of *t*-butyllithium to obtain diastereomeric alcohols **57a** and **57b**. Deprotection of the carboline followed by oxidation of the alcohol generated carbonyl **58** in 70% yield over two steps. Following deprotection and activation, the enediyne unit **4** was coupled to carbonyl **58** in three steps and 15% yield to generate enediyne thioacetate **59**. After removal of the acetyl group, the methyl trisulfide **60** was generated. After the methyl trisulfide **60** was deprotected using fluoride, then palladium(0), and finally acid to generate shishijimicin analog **61** (KCN-LL-5).

Scheme 7: Synthesis of Shishijimicin A analog, KCN-LL-5 (61)

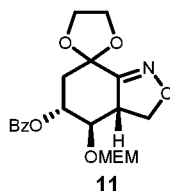


EXAMPLE 2 – General Methods and Materials

All reactions were carried out under an argon atmosphere with dry solvent under anhydrous conditions, unless otherwise noted. Dry acetonitrile (MeCN), dimethylformamide (DMF), dichloromethane (CH₂Cl₂), tetrahydrofuran (THF) and toluene were obtained by passing commercially available pre-dried, oxygen-free formulations through activated alumina columns. Anhydrous benzene,

acetone, chloroform (CHCl_3), methanol (MeOH), ethanol (EtOH) and nitromethane (MeNO_2) were purchased from commercial suppliers and stored under argon. Yields refer to chromatographically and spectroscopically (^1H NMR) homogenous material, unless otherwise stated. Reagents were purchased at the highest commercial quality and used without further purification, unless otherwise noted. Reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC) carried out on S-2 0.25 mm E. Merck silica gel plates (60F-254) using UV light as visualizing agent and an ethanolic solution of phosphomolybdic acid, an aqueous solution of cerium sulfate or a basic aqueous solution of potassium permanganate as developing agents. E. Merck silica gel (60, partial size 0.040–0.063 mm) was used for flash column chromatography. NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker DRX-600 instrument and calibrated using residual undeuterated solvent (CDCl_3 , $\delta_{\text{H}} = 7.26$ ppm, $\delta_{\text{C}} = 77.16$ ppm; C_6D_6 , $\delta_{\text{H}} = 7.16$ ppm, $\delta_{\text{C}} = 128.06$ ppm; CD_3OD , $\delta_{\text{H}} = 3.31$ ppm, $\delta_{\text{C}} = 49.00$ ppm;) as an internal reference. The following abbreviations were used to designate multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, quint = quintet, m = multiplet, br = broad. Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on a Perkin–Elmer 100 FT-IR spectrometer. High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on an Agilent ESI-TOF (time of flight) mass spectrometer using MALDI (matrix-assisted laser desorption ionization) or ESI (electrospray ionization). Optical rotations were recorded on a POLARTRONIC M100 polarimeter at 589 nm, and are reported in units of 10^{-1} ($\text{deg cm}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$).

EXAMPLE 3 – Compound Characterization

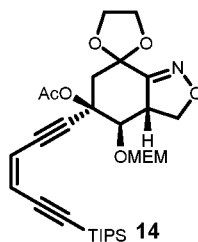


Benzoate 11: To a stirred solution of aldoxime **5** (18.5 g, 45.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in benzene (1800 mL) at 25 °C was added *t*-BuOCl (14.8 g, 15.4 mL, 136 mmol, 3.0 equiv.). The resulting mixture was stirred at this temperature for 30 min before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (500 mL) and $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ (100 mL) and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3×500 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (300 mL) and dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 . After filtration and evaporation of the solvent, the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, $\text{EtOAc}:\text{hexanes} = 1:3 \rightarrow 1:1$) to give benzoate **11** (14.9 g, 36.6 mmol, 81%) as a colorless oil. **11**: $R_f = 0.42$ (silica gel, $\text{EtOAc}:\text{hexanes} = 1:1$); $[\alpha]_{20}^{\text{D}} = -26.2$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) $\nu_{\text{max}} = 2894, 1720, 1451, 1314, 1273, 1196, 1177, 1110, 1071, 1036, 858, 713 \text{ cm}^{-1}$; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) $\delta = 8.01$ (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2 H), 7.58 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1 H), 7.45 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 2 H), 5.48 (ddd, $J = 12.1, 9.5, 4.7$ Hz, 1 H), 4.88 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1 H), 4.69 (dd, $J = 10.9, 8.7$ Hz, 1 H), 4.68 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1 H), 4.35 (dd, $J = 10.8, 8.6$ Hz, 1 H), 4.23 (td, $J = 7.2, 5.2$ Hz, 1 H), 4.14 (ddd, $J = 7.6, 6.5, 5.1$ Hz, 1 H), 4.06 (q, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1 H), 3.95 (q, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 1 H), 3.85 (t, $J = 9.7$ Hz, 1 H), 3.72 – 3.68 (m, 1 H), 3.64 (q, $J = 10.1$ Hz, 1 H), 3.54 – 3.51 (m, 1 H), 3.50 – 3.45 (m, 2 H), 3.35 (s, 3 H), 2.44 (dd, $J = 13.2, 4.7$ Hz, 1 H), 2.11 (dd, $J = 13.2, 12.1$ Hz, 1 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 ,

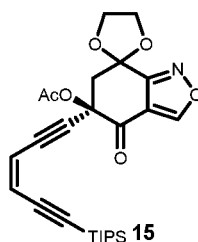
151 MHz) δ = 165.4, 155.2, 133.5, 129.8, 129.8, 128.7, 102.6, 96.1, 81.3, 74.2, 73.1, 71.6, 67.8, 66.1, 64.9, 59.2, 51.7, 39.3 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $C_{20}H_{25}NO_8Na^+$ $[M+Na]^+$ 430.1472, found 430.1459.

Ketone 12: Ketone **12** was prepared from benzoate **11** as previously described (Smith *et al.*, 1993). The physical and spectral data are consistent with those reported (Smith *et al.*, 1993).

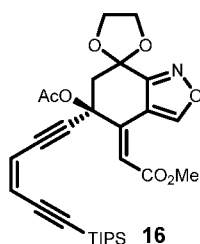
5 **TIPS-Enediynes 13:** TIPS-enediyne **13** was prepared as previously described (Lu *et al.*, 1995). The physical and spectral data are consistent with those reported (Lu *et al.*, 1995).



Enediynes 14: To a stirred solution of enediynes **13** (11.5 g, 49.5 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) in THF (150 mL) at -78°C were added $LaCl_3 \cdot 2LiCl$ (138 mL, 0.6 M in THF, 82.5 mmol, 5.0 equiv.) and LiHMDS (46.2 mL, 1.0 M in THF, 46.2 mmol, 2.8 equiv.) sequentially. The resulting mixture was stirred at this temperature for 30 min. A solution of ketone **12** (4.99 g, 16.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (50 mL) was added dropwise to the above reaction mixture at -78°C . After 30 min at -78°C , Ac_2O (16.8 g, 15.6 mL, 165 mmol, 10.0 equiv.) was added, the cooling bath was removed, and the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 25°C and stirred at this temperature for 2 h. It was quenched with saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$ (100 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3×200 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (100 mL), dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4 \rightarrow 1:1) to give enediynes **14** (8.58 g, 14.9 mmol, 90%) as a colorless oil. **14:** R_f = 0.38 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:1.5); $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -4.5$ (c = 1.0, $CHCl_3$); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 2943, 2892, 2866, 1751, 1463, 1365, 1238, 1213, 1118, 1092, 1038, 1011, 882, 678 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 600 MHz) δ = 5.88 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.81 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.13 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.80 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.65 (dd, J = 10.7, 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.29 (dd, J = 10.4, 8.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.16 – 4.12 (m, 1 H), 4.06 – 4.02 (m, 1 H), 3.97 – 3.91 (m, 3 H), 3.80 – 3.75 (m, 2 H), 3.61 – 3.57 (m, 1 H), 3.53 (t, J = 4.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.41 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.37 (s, 3 H), 2.18 (d, J = 15.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.09 (s, 3 H), 1.09 (s, 21 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 151 MHz) δ = 169.6, 155.0, 120.8, 118.3, 103.4, 102.0, 100.5, 97.1, 93.3, 84.2, 84.2, 75.6, 73.5, 71.7, 68.1, 65.3, 65.2, 59.3, 50.2, 41.2, 22.0, 18.8, 18.8, 11.4 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $C_{30}H_{45}NO_8SiNa^+$ $[M+Na]^+$ 598.2807, found 598.2789.

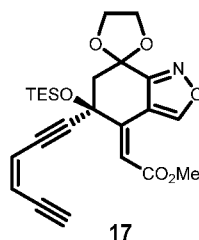


Keto-isoxazole 15: To a stirred solution of enediyne MEM-ether **14** (7.94 g, 13.8 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in MeCN (200 mL) at 0 °C were added NaI (4.14 g, 27.6 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and TMSCl (6.00 g, 7.01 mL, 55.2 mmol, 4.0 equiv.). The resulting mixture was allowed to warm to 25 °C and stirred at this temperature for 30 min before it was cooled to 0 °C and quenched with MeOH (10 mL). Saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (100 mL) was added and the resulting mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 100 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL) and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After filtration and evaporation of the solvent, the crude alcohol so obtained was used for the next step without further purification. To a stirred solution of (COCl)₂ (7.01 g, 4.74 mL, 55.2 mmol, 4.0 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ (100 mL) was added a solution of DMSO (8.59 g, 7.81 mL, 110 mmol, 8.0 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) at -78 °C. The solution was stirred at this temperature for 30 min, and then the above crude alcohol in CH₂Cl₂ (30 mL) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 30 min and then Et₃N (14.0 g, 19.2 mL, 138 mmol, 10.0 equiv.) was added. The resulting mixture was stirred for 30 min at this temperature and then allowed to warm to 25 °C and stirred for another 1 h. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (100 mL). After extraction with EtOAc (3 × 100 mL), the combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:10 → 1:4) to give keto-isoxazole **15** (5.68 g, 11.7 mmol, 85% for the two steps) as a colorless oil. **15**: R_f = 0.44 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4); [α]_D²⁰ = +64.3 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 2943, 2894, 2865, 1744, 1721, 1581, 1465, 1368, 1229, 1168, 1122, 1060, 997, 949, 881, 678 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 9.01 (s, 1 H), 5.93 (d, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.84 (d, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.35 (td, *J* = 7.0, 5.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.24 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2 H), 4.10 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.51 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.67 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.11 (s, 3 H), 1.10 (s, 21 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ = 181.1, 169.5, 162.1, 161.6, 122.1, 118.4, 115.8, 103.3, 101.2, 100.7, 89.8, 87.6, 77.1, 65.5, 65.4, 43.7, 21.3, 18.8, 11.3 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₆H₃₃NO₆SiNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 506.1969, found 506.1967.



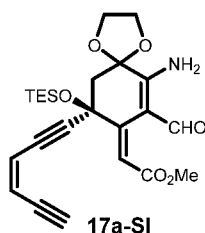
***E*- α,β -Unsaturated methyl ester 16:** To a stirred solution of (MeO)₂P(O)CH₂CO₂Me (4.26 g, 3.79 mL, 23.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) in THF (100 mL) was added LiHMDS (17.6 mL, 1.0 M in THF, 17.6 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) at -78 °C. A solution of keto-isoxazole **15** (5.68 g, 11.7 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (30 mL) was added dropwise at this temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at -78 °C and then allowed to warm to 25 °C and stirred at this temperature for 1 h. The resulting mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (100 mL). After extraction with EtOAc (3 × 100 mL), the combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel,

EtOAc:hexanes = 1:30 \rightarrow 1:5) to give *E*- α,β -unsaturated methyl ester **16** (6.04 g, 11.2 mmol, 96%) as a colorless oil. **16**: R_f = 0.48 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4); $[\alpha]_{20}^D$ = +40.7 (c = 1.0, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 2945, 2894, 2865, 1758, 1721, 1644, 1465, 1365, 1228, 1206, 1183, 1056, 1010, 948, 882, 678, 661 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ = 9.59 (s, 1 H), 6.84 (s, 1 H), 5.97 (d, J = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.94 (d, J = 11.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.35 – 4.28 (m, 2 H), 4.16 – 4.07 (m, 2 H), 3.76 (s, 3 H), 3.45 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.59 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.93 (s, 3 H), 1.06 (s, 21 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ = 169.1, 166.3, 161.9, 160.5, 138.5, 121.5, 119.6, 118.4, 111.6, 103.3, 100.8, 100.5, 91.4, 87.8, 76.7, 65.6, 65.1, 51.9, 44.4, 21.9, 18.8, 11.3 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{37}\text{NO}_7\text{SiNa}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 562.2232, found 562.2211.

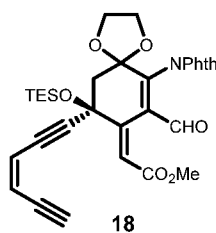


Terminal acetylene 17: To a stirred solution of methyl ester **16** (5.45 g, 10.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (50 mL) and MeOH (50 mL) was added K_2CO_3 (1.40 g, 10.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) at 0 $^\circ\text{C}$. The mixture was allowed to warm to 25 $^\circ\text{C}$ and stirred at this temperature for 3 h. The resulting mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (100 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3×100 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue so obtained was dissolved in THF (50 mL). TBAF (10.1 mL, 1.0 M in THF, 10.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added to the stirred solution dropwise at 0 $^\circ\text{C}$. The reaction mixture was stirred for 10 min at this temperature before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (100 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3×100 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue so obtained was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL). To this stirred solution were added sequentially 2,6-lutidine (2.16 g, 2.34 mL, 20.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and TESOTf (4.02 g, 3.44 mL, 15.2 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) at 0 $^\circ\text{C}$. The resulting mixture was allowed to warm to 25 $^\circ\text{C}$ and stirred at this temperature for 2 h. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (100 mL) and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3×100 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and filtered. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:20 \rightarrow 1:5) to give terminal acetylene **17** (4.31 g, 9.46 mmol, 94% for the three steps) as a colorless solid. **17**: R_f = 0.31 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:10); $[\alpha]_{20}^D$ = -5.8 (c = 1.0, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3299, 2955, 2877, 1720, 1645, 1471, 1199, 1119, 1057, 1009, 747 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ = 9.50 (s, 1 H), 6.70 (s, 1 H), 5.90 (dd, J = 11.0, 0.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.84 (dd, J = 11.0, 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.38 – 4.31 (m, 2 H), 4.18 – 4.11 (m, 2 H), 3.76 (s, 3 H), 3.28 (dd, J = 2.3, 0.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.72 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.62 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, 1 H), 0.92 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 9 H), 0.70 (q, J = 7.9 Hz, 6 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ = 166.8, 161.4, 161.1, 144.0, 120.4, 120.2, 114.9,

112.3, 100.9, 96.0, 85.6, 85.5, 80.4, 72.0, 65.1, 64.9, 51.8, 50.0, 7.0, 6.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $C_{24}H_{30}NO_6Si^+$ $[M+H]^+$ 456.1837, found 456.1829.

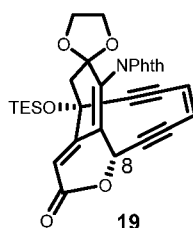


Free amine 17a-SI: To a stirred solution of isoxazole **17** (105 mg, 0.230 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in EtOH (3.5 mL) and H₂O (3.5 mL) were added NH₄Cl (615 mg, 11.5 mmol, 50 equiv.) and Fe (128 mg, 2.30 mmol, 10.0 equiv.). The resulting suspension was stirred at 60 °C and Fe (63.7 mg, 1.15 mmol, 5.0 equiv.) was added every two hours (3 portions in total). The reaction mixture was stirred for another 2 h and was then filtered through Celite® and the residue was washed with EtOH (3 × 10 mL). The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:5 → 1:1) to give free amine **17a-SI** (87.3 mg, 0.191 mmol, 83%) as a colorless oil. **17a-SI:** R_f = 0.41 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:1); $[\alpha]_{20}^D = -32.2$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) ν_{\max} = 3397, 3275, 2954, 2910, 2876, 1704, 1644, 1599, 1498, 1434, 1371, 1218, 1164, 1077, 1003, 745 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 9.23 (s, 1 H), 6.30 (s, 1 H), 5.90 (dd, J = 11.0, 0.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.83 (dd, J = 10.9, 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.09 – 4.04 (m, 4 H), 3.69 (s, 3 H), 3.34 (dd, J = 2.2, 0.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.51 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.37 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1 H), 0.95 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 9 H), 0.71 (q, J = 7.8 Hz, 6 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ = 190.3, 167.9, 158.2, 153.1, 120.6, 119.9, 110.0, 103.5, 102.8, 98.2, 85.5, 83.5, 80.6, 70.7, 65.6, 65.6, 51.4, 49.7, 7.1, 6.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₄H₃₁NO₆SiNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 480.1813, found 480.1808.

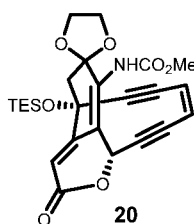


***N*-Phthalide aldehyde 18:** To a stirred solution of free amine **17a-SI** (4.51 g, 9.86 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in MeNO₂ (200 mL) were added pyridine (3.12 g, 3.19 mL, 39.4 mmol, 4.0 equiv.) and phthaloyl chloride (3.00 g, 2.13 mL, 14.8 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) at 0 °C. After stirring at this temperature for 30 min, the resulting mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (100 mL) and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 100 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL). Silica gel (20 g) was added to this solution and the resulting suspension was stirred at 25 °C for 2 h, before it was concentrated to dryness and washed with 15% MeOH in EtOAc (100 mL). The filtrate was dissolved in Ac₂O (30 mL) and stirred at 25 °C for 1 h. The excess Ac₂O was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:5 → 1:1) to give

N-phthalide aldehyde **18** (4.70 g, 7.99 mmol, 81%) as a colorless oil. **18**: R_f = 0.36 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:1.5); $[\alpha]_{20}^D = -3.8$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) $\nu_{\text{max}} = 2955, 2877, 1731, 1367, 1273, 1215, 1181, 1144, 1107, 1001, 951, 882, 716 \text{ cm}^{-1}$; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) $\delta = 9.40$ (s, 1 H), 7.95 – 7.89 (m, 2 H), 7.78 – 7.75 (m, 2 H), 6.65 (s, 1 H), 6.08 (d, $J = 11.0$ Hz, 1 H), 5.88 (dd, $J = 11.0, 2.4$ Hz, 1 H), 3.96 – 3.91 (m, 2 H), 3.85 – 3.76 (m, 2 H), 3.69 (s, 3 H), 3.32 (dd, $J = 2.4, 1.0$ Hz, 1 H), 2.61 (d, $J = 13.7$ Hz, 1 H), 2.51 (d, $J = 13.7$ Hz, 1 H), 1.00 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 9 H), 0.85 – 0.75 (m, 6 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) $\delta = 185.4, 166.5, 166.5, 166.4, 148.2, 137.7, 137.0, 134.5, 134.4, 132.3, 132.2, 124.2, 124.0, 120.8, 119.7, 118.0, 105.5, 95.6, 85.5, 85.3, 80.8, 71.2, 65.9, 65.9, 52.1, 51.1, 7.1, 6.1$ ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{33}\text{NO}_8\text{SiNa}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 610.1868, found 610.1860.

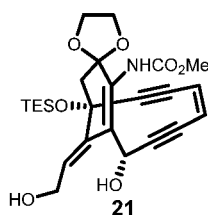


Lactone 19: To a stirred solution of *N*-phthalide aldehyde **18** (2.17 g, 3.69 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (150 mL) was added $\text{LaCl}_3 \cdot 2\text{LiCl}$ (18.5 mL, 0.6 M in THF, 11.1 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) at -78°C . The resulting mixture was stirred at this temperature for 30 min before LiHMDS (7.38 mL, 1.0 M in THF, 7.38 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred at -78°C for 1 h before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (100 mL). After extraction with EtOAc (3×100 mL), the combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:5 \rightarrow 1:1) to give lactone **19** (1.74 g, 3.13 mmol, 85%) as a colorless oil. **19**: R_f = 0.42 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:1); $[\alpha]_{20}^D = -364.8$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) $\nu_{\text{max}} = 2957, 2877, 1789, 1732, 1467, 1368, 1273, 1240, 1181, 1114, 1018, 1004, 951, 880, 840, 753, 718 \text{ cm}^{-1}$; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) $\delta = 7.97 - 7.91$ (m, 2 H), 7.82 – 7.79 (m, 2 H), 6.27 (s, 1 H), 6.07 (d, $J = 9.7$ Hz, 1 H), 5.91 (dd, $J = 9.7, 1.7$ Hz, 1 H), 5.74 (d, $J = 1.7$ Hz, 1 H), 3.97 – 3.87 (m, 3 H), 3.58 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1 H), 2.55 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1 H), 2.50 (d, $J = 13.5$ Hz, 1 H), 1.02 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 9 H), 0.84 – 0.72 (m, 6 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) $\delta = 166.5, 165.9, 161.8, 153.2, 134.9, 134.9, 134.8, 131.9, 131.8, 126.0, 125.6, 124.3, 124.3, 123.3, 111.9, 105.9, 99.0, 95.1, 91.8, 91.0, 69.7, 68.1, 65.8, 65.6, 46.6, 7.1, 6.1$ ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{29}\text{NO}_7\text{SiNa}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 578.1606, found 578.1590.



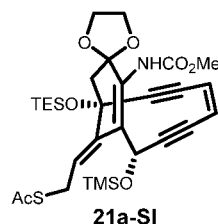
Methyl carbamate 20: To a stirred solution of lactone **19** (2.25 g, 4.05 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in benzene (150 mL) at 25°C was added MeNHNH_2 (1.87 g, 2.14 mL, 40.5 mmol, 10.0 equiv.). The resulting

mixture was stirred at this temperature for 30 min. The solvent and excess MeNHNH₂ were removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc: hexanes = 1:2 → 2:1) to give the corresponding free amine. To a stirred solution of so obtained free amine in CH₂Cl₂ (200 mL) were sequentially added pyridine (4.81 g, 4.92 mL, 60.8 mmol, 15 equiv.) and triphosgene (3.62 g, 12.2 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at this temperature for 1 h and then treated with MeOH (25 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred for another 1 h at this temperature and then quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (100 mL). After extraction with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 100 mL), the combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:3 → 1:1) to give methyl carbamate **20** (1.59 g, 3.28 mmol, 81% for the two steps) as a colorless oil. **20**: R_f = 0.36 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:1); [α]_D²⁰ = -632.3 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3290, 2957, 2911, 2877, 1722, 1670, 1505, 1459, 1325, 1298, 1250, 1226, 1181, 1112, 1090, 1017, 1003, 835, 746, 739 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 6.18 (s, 1 H), 6.11 (br s, 1 H), 5.92 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.89 (br s, 1 H), 5.83 (dd, *J* = 9.5, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.20 (ddd, *J* = 7.5, 5.9, 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.10 (ddd, *J* = 7.6, 5.8, 3.9 Hz, 1 H), 4.01 – 3.93 (m, 2 H), 3.76 (s, 3 H), 2.46 (d, *J* = 13.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.27 (d, *J* = 13.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.00 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 9 H), 0.82 – 0.69 (m, 6 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ = 162.7, 154.6, 154.2, 128.2, 124.8, 123.6, 111.0, 105.0, 99.4, 96.5, 90.9, 88.1, 69.4, 68.9, 66.1, 65.5, 53.5, 45.6, 7.1, 6.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₅H₂₉NO₇SiNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 506.1606, found 506.1598.

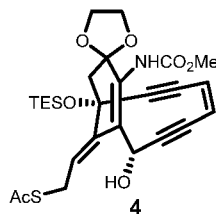


Diol 21: To a stirred solution of methyl carbamate **20** (202 mg, 0.418 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in MeOH (10 mL) at 25 °C was added CeCl₃·7H₂O (466 mg, 1.25 mmol, 3.0 equiv.). The resulting mixture was stirred at this temperature for 30 min before it was cooled to 0 °C. NaBH₄ (31.6 mg, 0.836 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) was added at this temperature and the resulting mixture was allowed to warm to 25 °C and stirred for another 2 h before it was diluted with EtOAc (50 mL) and H₂O (50 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 50 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:1 → 3:1) to give diol **21** (188 mg, 0.385 mmol, 92%) as a colorless oil. **21**: R_f = 0.52 (silica gel, EtOAc); [α]_D²⁰ = -311.4 (*c* = 0.5, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3357, 2952, 2911, 2876, 1714, 1626, 1497, 1470, 1372, 1318, 1235, 1192, 1164, 1151, 1086, 1018, 823, 739 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CD₃OD, 600 MHz) δ = 6.17 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.95 (d, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.85 (dd, *J* = 9.4, 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.61 (d, *J* = 0.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.27 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2 H), 4.10 – 4.07 (m, 1 H), 3.97 – 3.94 (m, 1 H), 3.91 – 3.87 (m, 1 H), 3.84 – 3.80 (m, 1 H), 3.69 (s, 3 H), 2.52 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.09 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.03 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 9 H), 0.83 – 0.74 (m, 6

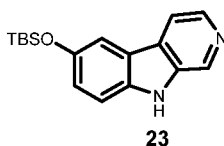
H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CD_3OD , 151 MHz) δ = 137.8, 128.5, 125.1, 123.9, 106.9, 102.8, 86.4, 86.1, 72.8, 66.7, 66.3, 63.9, 62.4, 54.2, 53.1, 49.6, 7.4, 7.2 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{33}\text{NO}_7\text{SiNa}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 510.1919, found 510.1924.



5 **Thioacetate 21a-SI:** A solution of diol **21** (188 mg, 0.385 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in TMSCN (1.0 mL) was stirred for 30 min at 25 °C. The excess TMSCN was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was dissolved in THF (10 mL). A solution of AcOH (1.93 mL, 1.0 M in H_2O , 1.93 mmol, 5.0 equiv.) was added to the above reaction mixture at 0 °C. After stirring at this temperature for 30 min (primary TMS group was removed), the resulting mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (20 mL) and
10 extracted with EtOAc (3 \times 30 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the resulting primary alcohol was used for the next step without further purification. To a stirred solution of PPh_3 (506 mg, 1.93 mmol, 5.0 equiv.) in THF (10 mL) at 0 °C was added diethylazodicarboxylate (336 mg, 303 μL , 1.93 mmol, 5.0 equiv.). The resulting mixture was stirred at this temperature for 30 min before AcSH (147 mg, 136
15 μL , 1.93 mmol, 5.0 equiv.) and so obtained primary alcohol in THF (2.0 mL) were added sequentially at 0 °C. After stirring at this temperature for 5 min, the resulting mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 \times 20 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 and filtered. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the so obtained residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes =
20 1:5 \rightarrow 1:2) to give TMS-protected secondary alcohol **21a-SI** (229 mg, 0.370 mmol, 96% for the three steps) as a colorless oil. **21a-SI**: R_f = 0.58 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:1.5); $[\alpha]_{20}^D$ = -206.0 (c = 1.0, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3355, 2955, 2877, 1737, 1689, 1493, 1252, 1224, 1191, 1166, 1152, 1114, 1084, 1014, 870, 845, 741 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ = 6.01 (dd, J = 9.2, 6.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.86 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.79 (br s, 1 H), 5.77 (dd, J = 9.4, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.09 – 4.06 (m, 1 H), 3.99 – 3.85 (m, 4
25 H), 3.78 (dd, J = 13.9, 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.73 (s, 3 H), 2.47 (d, J = 13.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.31 (s, 3 H), 2.06 (d, J = 13.3 Hz, 1 H), 0.97 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 9 H), 0.72 (q, J = 7.8 Hz, 6 H), 0.23 (s, 9 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl_3) δ = 195.9, 137.4, 129.0, 124.3, 124.2, 123.0, 105.9, 102.1, 101.9, 100.1, 85.6, 84.5, 71.7, 65.6, 65.3, 64.0, 53.1, 52.8, 30.7, 30.5, 7.2, 6.4, 0.4 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{43}\text{NO}_7\text{SSi}_2\text{Na}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 640.2191, found 640.2183.

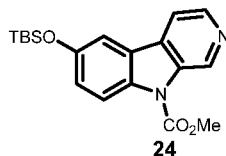


Thioacetate 4: To a stirred solution of the TMS-protected thioacetate **21a-SI** (229 mg, 0.370 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (10 mL) was added HF•py (0.5 mL, 30% HF in pyridine) at 0 °C. The resulting mixture was stirred at this temperature for 30 min and then quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (20 mL). After extraction with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL), the combined organic layers were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and filtered. The solvent was removed under vacuum and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:3 → 1:1) to give thioacetate **4** (200 mg, 0.366 mmol, 99%) as a colorless oil. **4**: *R*_f = 0.46 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:1); [*α*]₂₀ D = −394.7 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) *v*_{max} = 3386, 2955, 2911, 2876, 1723, 1685, 1498, 1458, 1414, 1353, 1319, 1297, 1259, 1233, 1192, 1164, 1151, 1111, 1008, 963, 976, 950, 743 cm^{−1}; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) *δ* = 6.43 (br s, 1 H), 6.13 (t, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.85 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.82 (dd, *J* = 9.4, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.69 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.00 – 3.90 (m, 6 H), 3.75 (s, 3 H), 3.69 (br s, 1 H), 2.49 (d, *J* = 13.9 Hz, 1 H), 2.31 (s, 3 H), 2.17 (d, *J* = 13.9 Hz, 1 H), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 9 H), 0.78 – 0.68 (m, 6 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) *δ* = 196.3, 155.2, 138.8, 132.0, 130.3, 124.0, 123.7, 123.4, 105.1, 103.6, 100.5, 86.6, 85.4, 70.3, 65.6, 65.3, 63.9, 53.4, 51.2, 30.5, 30.0, 7.2, 6.3 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₇H₃₅NO₇SSiNa⁺ [*M*+Na]⁺ 568.1796, found 568.1776.

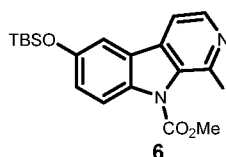


tert-Butyldimethylsilyl ether 23: To a stirred solution of 6-hydroxy- β -carboline **22** (Schott *et al.*, 2006) (5.30 g, 20.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in DMF (45 mL) was slowly added Et₃N (6.07 g, 8.36 mL, 60.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) at 0 °C, followed by slow addition of TBSOTf (4.67 g, 3.80 mL, 21.0 mmol, 1.05 equiv.) at the same temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for another 30 min before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (20 mL). The resulting mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 50 mL) and the organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:2 → 100% EtOAc) to afford TBS-ether **23** (5.77 g, 19.3 mmol, 97%) which crystallized from CH₂Cl₂ as a pale yellow solid. **23**: *R*_f = 0.16 (silica gel, EtOAc); m. p. = 166 – 167 °C (CH₂Cl₂); FT-IR (neat) *v*_{max} = 3132, 3051, 2955, 2929, 2885, 2857, 2741, 1603, 1578, 1560, 1493, 1463, 1440, 1306, 1272, 1259, 1197, 1162, 1035, 941, 885, 838, 813, 780 cm^{−1}; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) *δ* = 8.88 (s, 1 H), 8.43 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 8.30 (br s, 1 H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1 H), 7.11 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.04 (s, 9 H), 0.24 (s, 6 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) *δ* = 149.7, 139.1, 136.8, 135.8,

134.0, 128.9, 122.6, 122.4, 114.8, 112.1, 111.6, 25.9, 18.4, -4.2 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $C_{17}H_{23}N_2OSi^+$ $[M+H]^+$ 299.1574, found 299.1566.

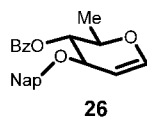


N-Methoxycarbonyl- β -carboline 24: To a stirred solution of *tert*-butyldimethylsilyl ether **23** (5.04 g, 16.9 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (60 mL) was added KHMDS (17.7 mL, 1.0 M in toluene, 17.7 mmol, 1.05 equiv.) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at this temperature for 30 min, before ClCO₂Me (1.76 g, 1.45 mL, 18.6 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) was added at this temperature. The resulting mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min and then quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (30 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 \times 50 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4 \rightarrow 1:1) to afford *N*-methoxycarbonyl- β -carboline **24** (5.88 g, 16.5 mmol, 98%) as a yellow solid. **24**: R_f = 0.41 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:1); m. p. = 64 – 66 °C (EtOAc); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3040, 2955, 2930, 2886, 2857, 1734, 1595, 1567, 1484, 1468, 1441, 1427, 1355, 1318, 1290, 1247, 1197, 1162, 1062, 1031, 937, 895, 832, 780 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 9.50 (br s, 1 H), 8.56 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 8.18 (br s, 1 H), 7.77 (dd, J = 5.1, 1.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.40 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.11 (dd, J = 9.0, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.14 (s, 3 H), 1.02 (s, 9 H), 0.24 (s, 6 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ = 152.4, 152.3, 143.2, 138.5, 135.1, 133.7, 132.0, 125.1, 122.9, 117.3, 114.1, 111.3, 54.0, 25.8, 18.4, -4.3 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $C_{19}H_{25}N_2O_3Si^+$ $[M+H]^+$ 357.1629, found 357.1630.

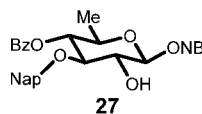


Iodocarboline 6: To a stirred solution of β -carboline **24** (494 mg, 1.39 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (8 mL) was added freshly prepared TMPMgCl \cdot LiCl (5.60 mL, 1.0 M in THF, 5.60 mmol, 4.0 equiv.) (Krasovskiy, *et al.*, 2006b) at -78 °C. The resulting reddish solution was allowed to warm up to 25 °C, and stirred for 4 h. The reaction mixture was then cooled back to -78 °C, followed by slow addition of I₂ solution (6.95 mL, 1.0 M in THF, 6.95 mmol, 5.0 equiv.). The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to 0 °C over 30 min before it was quenched with saturated aqueous Na₂S₂O₃ (15 mL). EtOAc (20 mL) was added and the two layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 \times 30 mL) and the organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:15 \rightarrow 1:10) to afford iodocarboline **6** (559 mg, 1.15 mmol, 83%) as a colorless oil. **6**: R_f = 0.51 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3041, 2953, 2929, 2885, 2857, 1742, 1622, 1584, 1540, 1473, 1437, 1418, 1397, 1335, 1304, 1241, 1218, 1202, 1162, 1046, 947, 894, 833, 802, 780, 734 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR

(CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 8.32 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1 H), 8.03 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.75 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.37 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.13 (dd, J = 9.0, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.10 (s, 3 H), 1.02 (s, 9 H), 0.23 (s, 6 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ = 152.8, 151.3, 143.7, 139.0, 135.4, 134.7, 124.3, 123.7, 116.4, 113.7, 111.3, 105.1, 54.1, 25.8, 18.4, -4.2 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₉H₂₄N₂O₃Si⁺ [M+H]⁺ 483.0595, found 483.0585.

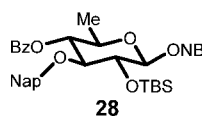


Benzoate 26: To a stirred solution of glucal **25** (Tanaka *et al.*, 2010) (13.5 g, 50.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ (250 mL) were sequentially added Et₃N (5.56 g, 7.66 mL, 55.0 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) and benzoyl chloride (7.38 g, 6.10 mL, 52.5 mmol, 1.05 equiv.) at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 30 min before being quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (50 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 100 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:20 → 1:12) to afford benzoate **26** (18.2 g, 48.6 mmol, 97%) as a white foam. **26**: R_f = 0.58 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4); [α]₂₀ D = -74.6 (c = 0.2, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) ν_{\max} = 3061, 2983, 2935, 2872, 1721, 1646, 1602, 1509, 1451, 1387, 1334, 1315, 1266, 1249, 1176, 1111, 1069, 1027, 1000, 952, 856, 817, 748, 710 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 8.05 – 7.99 (m, 2 H), 7.79 – 7.75 (m, 1 H), 7.72 (s, 1 H), 7.71 – 7.68 (m, 2 H), 7.61 – 7.55 (m, 1 H), 7.46 – 7.41 (m, 4 H), 7.39 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 6.47 (dd, J = 6.2, 1.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.40 (dd, J = 7.5, 5.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.96 (dd, J = 6.2, 3.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.83 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.75 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.28 – 4.23 (m, 1 H), 4.21 (quint, J = 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.39 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ = 165.7, 145.1, 135.8, 133.4, 133.3, 133.1, 130.0, 129.9, 128.6, 128.3, 128.0, 127.8, 126.6, 126.1, 125.9, 125.9, 100.0, 72.9, 72.9, 72.3, 70.3, 16.8 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₄H₂₂O₄Na⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 397.1410, found 397.1398.



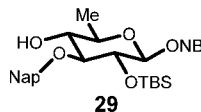
***o*-Nitrobenzyl-β-pyranoside alcohol 27:** To a stirred solution of benzoate **26** (9.45 g, 25.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ (60 mL) were sequentially added acetone (11.9 g, 15.0 mL, 204 mmol, 8.0 equiv.), NaHCO₃ (53.0 g, 631 mmol, 25 equiv.) and H₂O (45 mL), followed by a slow addition of Oxone[®] (38.8 g, 126 mmol, 5.0 equiv.). The mixture was vigorously stirred for 4 h until no starting material was present (TLC). The reaction mixture was partitioned with H₂O (100 mL) and CH₂Cl₂ (100 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 50 mL). The organic layers were combined and volatiles were evaporated under vacuum. The crude epoxide so-obtained was dissolved in THF (100 mL), followed by addition, with stirring, of *o*-nitrobenzyl alcohol (11.6 g, 75.5 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) and 4 Å molecular sieves (50 g). The resulting mixture was cooled to -78 °C and stirred for 30 min before

slow addition of a ZnCl_2 solution (38.0 mL, 1.0 M in THF, 38.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) at this temperature. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 25 °C over 4 h and then quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (100 mL). The resulting mixture was filtered through a layer of Celite[®] and partitioned with H_2O (100 mL) and CH_2Cl_2 (100 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 60 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The so obtained residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:7 → 1:3) to afford alcohol **27** (7.41 g, 13.6 mmol, 54%) as a white solid. **27**: R_f = 0.16 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4); m. p. = 132 – 134 °C (CH_2Cl_2); $[\alpha]_{20}^D = -36.4$ ($c = 0.5$, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3498, 3059, 2982, 2924, 2857, 1722, 1602, 1578, 1523, 1450, 1340, 1314, 1266, 1171, 1113, 1080, 1068, 1037, 1026, 979, 942, 901, 857, 819, 790, 753, 728, 710 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ = 8.08 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.98 – 7.92 (m, 2 H), 7.89 – 7.84 (m, 1 H), 7.72 – 7.68 (m, 1 H), 7.67 (td, J = 7.6, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.64 – 7.60 (m, 2 H), 7.58 – 7.53 (m, 2 H), 7.50 – 7.45 (m, 1 H), 7.43 – 7.37 (m, 4 H), 7.29 – 7.26 (m, 1 H), 5.29 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.19 – 5.08 (m, 2 H), 4.94 (d, J = 11.9 Hz, 1 H), 4.88 (d, J = 11.9 Hz, 1 H), 4.53 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.82 (dd, J = 9.1, 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.75 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.64 (dq, J = 9.7, 6.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.49 (s, 1 H), 1.26 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ = 165.6, 147.5, 135.6, 134.0, 133.9, 133.4, 133.3, 133.0, 129.9, 129.8, 129.3, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 128.0, 127.8, 127.0, 126.1, 126.1, 125.9, 124.8, 102.5, 81.3, 75.2, 75.0, 74.7, 70.7, 68.2, 17.6 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{29}\text{NO}_8\text{Na}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 566.1785, found 566.1763.

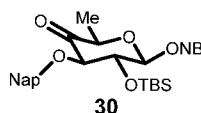


tert-Butyldimethylsilyl ether 28: To a stirred solution of alcohol **27** (1.59 g, 2.93 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in CH_2Cl_2 (30 mL) was added Et_3N (326 mg, 0.449 mL, 3.23 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) and TBSOTf (812 mg, 0.661 mL, 3.07 mmol, 1.05 equiv.) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 30 min before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (20 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 × 30 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The crude TBS-ether **28** so obtained was used for the next step without further purification. **28**: R_f = 0.56 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4); $[\alpha]_{20}^D = -67.0$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3060, 2954, 2929, 2894, 2856, 1725, 1602, 1578, 1525, 1472, 1462, 1451, 1387, 1340, 1264, 1168, 1112, 1093, 1068, 1042, 1026, 987, 940, 902, 856, 838, 817, 780, 729, 710 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ = 8.12 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.97 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.86 – 7.81 (m, 2 H), 7.69 – 7.66 (m, 1 H), 7.66 – 7.63 (m, 1 H), 7.63 – 7.60 (m, 1 H), 7.54 (s, 1 H), 7.50 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.48 – 7.43 (m, 2 H), 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 2 H), 7.28 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2 H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.30 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.18 – 5.11 (m, 2 H), 4.94 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.75 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.55 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.82 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.74 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.67 – 3.58 (m, 1 H), 1.21 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3 H), 0.90 (s, 9 H), 0.12 (s, 3 H), 0.09 (s, 3 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ = 165.6, 147.0, 135.6, 134.8, 133.8, 133.2, 133.2, 132.9, 129.7, 129.6, 129.3, 128.4, 128.1, 128.0, 128.0, 127.7, 126.6, 126.0,

125.9, 125.7, 124.8, 103.3, 83.4, 75.7, 75.7, 75.5, 70.5, 68.1, 26.1, 18.3, 17.6, -4.0, -4.0 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $C_{37}H_{43}NO_8SiNa^+$ $[M+Na]^+$ 680.2650, found 680.2626.

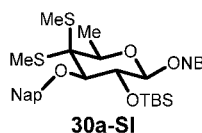


Secondary alcohol 29: To a stirred solution of crude TBS-ether benzoate **28** (1.95 g, 2.96 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in MeOH (35 mL) was added NaOMe (1.60 g, 29.6 mmol, 10.0 equiv.) at 25 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 40 °C for 24 h and then quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl (40 mL). The reaction mixture was concentrated under vacuum and partitioned with CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL) and H_2O (50 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3×50 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The crude secondary alcohol **29** so obtained was used for the next step without further purification. **29**: R_f = 0.36 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4); $[\alpha]_{20}^D = -26.4$ ($c = 2.0$, $CHCl_3$); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3469, 3057, 2953, 2928, 2895, 2855, 1613, 1578, 1525, 1472, 1462, 1447, 1357, 1340, 1306, 1250, 1158, 1145, 1105, 1067, 1013, 938, 895, 855, 837, 816, 778, 754, 728 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 600 MHz) δ = 8.11 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.94 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.89 – 7.82 (m, 3 H), 7.81 (s, 1 H), 7.68 – 7.62 (m, 1 H), 7.52 – 7.46 (m, 3 H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.27 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.14 (d, J = 12.1 Hz, 1 H), 5.10 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.83 (d, J = 12.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.45 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.69 (dd, J = 8.9, 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.37 (t, J = 8.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.35 – 3.29 (m, 1 H), 3.29 – 3.22 (m, 1 H), 1.89 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.25 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 3 H), 0.92 (s, 9 H), 0.17 (s, 3 H), 0.10 (s, 3 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 151 MHz) δ = 147.1, 136.2, 134.8, 133.7, 133.5, 133.2, 129.3, 128.8, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 126.7, 126.5, 126.2, 125.6, 124.8, 103.2, 86.1, 75.8, 75.4, 75.3, 71.8, 67.9, 26.1, 18.3, 17.8, -3.9, -4.1 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $C_{30}H_{39}NO_7SiNa^+$ $[M+Na]^+$ 576.2388, found 576.2379.

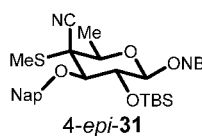
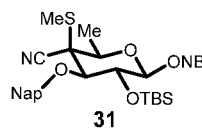


Ketone 30: To a stirred solution of crude secondary alcohol **29** (1.90 g, ca. 2.75 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in CH_2Cl_2 (30 mL) was added DMP (1.39 g, 3.27 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 25 °C and stirred for 1 h, before saturated solutions of aqueous $NaHCO_3$ (10 mL) and $Na_2S_2O_3$ (10 mL) were added sequentially with stirring. The organic layer was then separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3×30 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was then purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:15 \rightarrow 1:10) to afford ketone **30** (1.44 g, 2.61 mmol, 89% for the three steps from **27**) as a white foam. **30**: R_f = 0.54 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4); $[\alpha]_{20}^D = +30.6$ ($c = 1.5$, $CHCl_3$); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3058, 2952, 2929, 2887, 2856, 1741, 1614, 1578, 1525, 1471, 1462, 1446, 1407, 1359, 1340, 1303, 1251, 1163, 1106, 1066, 1007, 894, 857, 837, 817, 780, 755, 728 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 600 MHz) δ = 8.12 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.89 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.86

– 7.81 (m, 4 H), 7.65 (td, $J = 7.6, 1.3$ Hz, 1 H), 7.60 (dd, $J = 8.5, 1.7$ Hz, 1 H), 7.50 – 7.43 (m, 3 H), 5.31 (d, $J = 15.3$ Hz, 1 H), 5.13 (d, $J = 15.3$ Hz, 1 H), 5.05 (d, $J = 10.9$ Hz, 1 H), 4.83 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1 H), 4.76 (d, $J = 10.9$ Hz, 1 H), 4.10 – 4.02 (m, 2 H), 3.97 (dd, $J = 8.9, 6.8$ Hz, 1 H), 1.34 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3 H), 0.86 (s, 9 H), 0.08 (s, 3 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) $\delta = 203.2, 147.0, 134.9, 134.4,$
 5 133.9, 133.4, 133.3, 129.1, 128.2, 128.2, 128.1, 127.8, 127.4, 126.6, 126.2, 126.1, 124.9, 103.1, 84.7, 77.2, 74.1, 73.8, 68.0, 25.9, 18.3, 14.5, –4.2, –4.4 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{37}\text{NO}_7\text{SiNa}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 574.2232, found 574.2214.

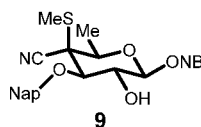


bis-(Methylthio)-ketal 30a-SI: To a stirred solution of ketone **30** (3.64 g, 6.61 mmol, 1.0 equiv.)
 10 in toluene (60 mL) were sequentially added TMSSMe (1.98 g, 2.34 mL, 16.5 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) and TMSOTf (2.22 g, 1.80 mL, 9.95 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) at –20 °C, and the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 0 °C. Saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (5.0 mL, ca. 5.0 mmol) was added at this temperature, and the resulting mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 30 min before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (50 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with
 15 EtOAc (3 × 50 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:20 → 1:15) to afford *bis*-(methylthio)-ketal **30a-SI** (2.54 g, 4.03 mmol, 61%) as a pale yellow oil. **30a-SI:** $R_f = 0.61$ (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4); $[\alpha]_{20}^D = +38$ ($c = 1.0, \text{CHCl}_3$); FT-IR (neat) $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3056, 2952, 2926, 2883, 2855, 1613, 1603, 1577, 1524, 1471, 1462, 1444, 1359, 1339, 1305, 1252, 1155, 1114,$
 20 1090, 1073, 1056, 1010, 873, 857, 837, 814, 779, 755, 728 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) $\delta = 8.10$ (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.3$ Hz, 1 H), 7.99 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1 H), 7.86 – 7.79 (m, 4 H), 7.67 – 7.63 (m, 1 H), 7.59 (dd, $J = 8.4, 1.6$ Hz, 1 H), 7.50 – 7.45 (m, 2 H), 7.43 (t, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1 H), 5.27 (d, $J = 15.5$ Hz, 1 H), 5.09 (d, $J = 15.5$ Hz, 1 H), 5.04 (q, $J = 11.0$ Hz, 2 H), 4.46 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1 H), 4.32 (dd, $J = 8.7, 7.5$ Hz, 1 H), 3.77 (q, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 1 H), 3.53 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 1 H), 2.35 (s, 3 H), 2.17 (s, 3 H), 1.44 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3 H), 0.87 (s, 9
 25 H), 0.09 (s, 3 H), 0.05 (s, 3 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) $\delta = 147.0, 136.2, 135.0, 133.7, 133.3, 132.9, 129.5, 128.1, 127.9, 127.8, 127.8, 126.1, 126.1, 125.8, 125.8, 124.7, 104.2, 87.9, 77.1, 76.6, 74.7, 67.8, 66.0, 26.1, 18.3, 16.4, 13.7, 12.7, -3.8$ ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{43}\text{NO}_6\text{S}_2\text{SiNa}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 652.2193, found 652.2189.



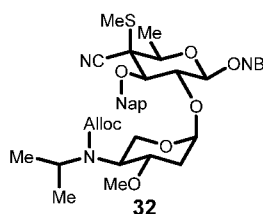
Nitrile **31 and 4-*epi*-**31**:** To a stirred solution of *bis*-(methylthio)-ketal **30a-SI** (1.13 g, 1.79 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) were sequentially added TMSCN (634 mg, 0.800 mL, 6.41 mmol, 3.5 equiv.) and SnCl₄ (2.68 mL, 1.0 M in CH₂Cl₂, 2.68 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 3 h before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (20 mL). The reaction mixture was filtered through a layer of Celite® and partitioned with CH₂Cl₂ (40 mL) and H₂O (40 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 20 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:15 → 1:10) to afford a mixture of nitriles **31** and 4-*epi*-**31** (946 mg, 1.55 mmol, 87%, ca. 9:1 dr) as a white foam. **31**: *R*_f = 0.57 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4); [α]₂₀ D = +2.0 (*c* = 0.6, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) *v*_{max} = 3059, 2953, 2928, 2885, 2856, 2234, 1697, 1612, 1578, 1525, 1471, 1462, 1442, 1386, 1361, 1340, 1304, 1253, 1142, 1107, 1095, 1071, 1044, 1008, 962, 938, 899, 854, 838, 817, 780, 755, 729 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 8.11 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.91 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.87 – 7.82 (m, 4 H), 7.68 – 7.63 (m, 1 H), 7.57 – 7.53 (m, 1 H), 7.51 – 7.47 (m, 2 H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.25 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.09 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.10 – 5.04 (m, 2 H), 4.47 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.14 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.98 (q, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.91 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.43 (s, 3 H), 1.53 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 3 H), 0.88 (s, 9 H), 0.12 (s, 3 H), 0.09 (s, 3 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ = 147.0, 134.9, 134.4, 133.8, 133.3, 133.2, 129.3, 128.2, 128.2, 128.1, 127.8, 127.1, 126.2, 126.2 (2 C), 124.8, 117.1, 104.2, 86.7, 76.5, 72.9, 72.6, 68.1, 53.0, 26.0, 18.3, 16.8, 16.1, -3.9, -4.0 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₃₂H₄₀N₂O₆SSiNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 631.2269, found 631.2289.

4-*epi*-**31**: *R*_f = 0.54 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4); [α]₂₀ D = +60.5 (*c* = 0.4, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) *v*_{max} = 3057, 2953, 2927, 2856, 2236, 1603, 1577, 1525, 1471, 1462, 1447, 1360, 1340, 1304, 1254, 1167, 1154, 1112, 1089, 1051, 1009, 894, 857, 838, 816, 780, 729 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 8.11 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.94 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.89 – 7.79 (m, 4 H), 7.68 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.53 – 7.40 (m, 4 H), 5.30 – 5.08 (m, 4 H), 4.47 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.91 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.61 – 3.48 (m, 2 H), 2.36 (s, 3 H), 1.53 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 3 H), 0.83 (s, 9 H), 0.07 (s, 3 H), 0.01 (s, 3 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ = 147.0, 135.6, 134.5, 133.9, 133.4, 132.9, 129.4, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 126.2, 125.9, 125.1, 124.8, 124.7, 115.0, 103.4, 86.6, 76.8, 74.9, 73.9, 68.1, 54.9, 26.0, 18.2, 16.9, 16.1, -4.0, -4.1 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₃₂H₄₀N₂O₆SSiNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 631.2269, found 631.2265.



Secondary alcohol **9:** To a stirred solution of nitrile **31** (1.21 g, 1.99 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (30 mL) were sequentially added NH₄F (740 mg, 20.0 mmol, 10.0 equiv.) and freshly prepared TBAF solution (Fürstner & Weintritt, 1998) (10.0 mL, 1.0 M in THF, 10.0 mmol, 5.0 equiv.) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 1 h before it was diluted with EtOAc (30 mL) and quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (15 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 30 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The

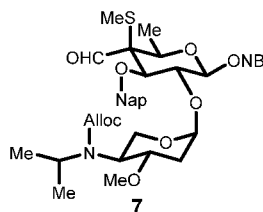
residue so obtained was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:10 → 1:3) to afford secondary alcohol **9** (934 mg, 1.89 mmol, 95%) as a white foam. **9**: R_f = 0.20 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4); $[\alpha]_{20}^D$ = +18.5 (c = 1.0, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3496, 3057, 2990, 2927, 2869, 2235, 1691, 1613, 1577, 1524, 1441, 1362, 1340, 1272, 1174, 1124, 1091, 1043, 1013, 960, 936, 895, 858, 820, 790, 755, 729 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ = 8.06 (dd, J = 8.1, 0.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.88 – 7.82 (m, 4 H), 7.80 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.64 (td, J = 7.6, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.56 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.51 – 7.47 (m, 2 H), 7.46 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.23 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.10 (dd, J = 15.2, 11.1 Hz, 2 H), 5.07 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.44 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.16 – 4.10 (m, 1 H), 3.97 (q, J = 6.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.94 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.47 (s, 3 H), 2.39 (d, J = 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.56 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ = 147.5, 134.8, 133.8, 133.6, 133.4, 133.3, 129.3, 128.6, 128.6, 128.2, 127.9, 127.5, 126.4, 126.4, 126.3, 124.8, 117.0, 103.4, 85.3, 76.1, 73.1, 72.0, 68.3, 52.8, 16.9, 16.1 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_2\text{O}_6\text{SNa}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 517.1404, found 517.1400.



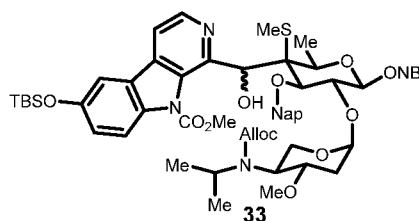
Disaccharide nitrile 32: A mixture of anhydrous AgClO_4 (920 mg, 4.44 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) and

SnCl_2 (844 mg, 4.45 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) was dried by azeotropic removal of benzene (3×3 mL). The salts were then suspended in THF (10 mL), and powdered, activated 4Å molecular sieves (2.0 g) were added. The suspension was stirred in the dark at 25 °C for 15 min and then cooled to –78 °C. The resulting mixture was stirred at that temperature for 30 min to allow all moisture to be absorbed by the molecular sieves. A solution of fluoride **10**⁷ (1.08 g, 3.91 mmol, 2.2 equiv.) and secondary alcohol **9** (880 mg, 1.78 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (5 mL) was added slowly to this suspension with stirring, and the mixture was stirred at –78 °C for 1 h. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm slowly to 25 °C over 12 h, diluted with Et_2O (15 mL), and filtered through Celite®. The resulting solution was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (10 mL) and brine (10 mL), dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:8 → 1:4) to give disaccharide nitrile **32** (1.13 g, 1.51 mmol, 85% yield based on **9**) as a white foam. **32**: R_f = 0.24 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4); $[\alpha]_{20}^D$ = –11.1 (c = 0.8, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3058, 2965, 2933, 2299, 2234, 1690, 1648, 1578, 1525, 1440, 1421, 1381, 1363, 1340, 1307, 1284, 1257, 1197, 1165, 1124, 1094, 1075, 1044, 992, 961, 936, 915, 858, 819, 791, 755, 730 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ = 8.15 – 8.06 (m, 1 H), 8.02 – 7.89 (m, 1 H), 7.88 – 7.79 (m, 4 H), 7.63 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.53 – 7.46 (m, 3 H), 7.45 – 7.37 (m, 1 H), 5.91 – 5.75 (m, 1 H), 5.36 – 5.25 (m, 2 H), 5.23 – 5.00 (m, 4 H), 4.96 (d, J = 10.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.67 – 3.72 (m, 10 H), 3.18 (s, 3 H), 3.14 (m, 1 H), 2.46 (br s, 3 H), 2.12 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.55 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.40 (t, J = 10.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.11 (br s, 3 H), 0.91 (br s, 3 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ = 155.1, 146.6, 134.9, 134.4, 133.8, 133.4, 133.3, 133.3, 129.0, 128.6, 128.1, 127.9, 127.8, 127.3, 126.5,

126.5, 126.1, 124.5, 117.1, 116.8, 102.4, 99.4, 87.0, 76.4, 75.5, 72.8, 71.5, 68.3, 67.7, 65.4, 60.8, 56.6, 52.7, 47.7, 36.2, 21.3, 20.9, 16.8, 15.8 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $C_{39}H_{47}N_3O_{10}SNa^+$ $[M+Na]^+$ 772.2874, found 772.2861.

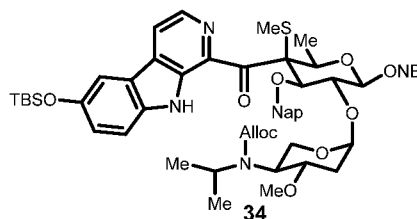


Disaccharide aldehyde 7: To a stirred solution of disaccharide nitrile **32** (1.04 g, 1.39 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in CH_2Cl_2 (33 mL) was added DIBAL-H (4.15 mL, 1.0 M in CH_2Cl_2 , 4.15 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) at $-78^\circ C$. The reaction mixture was stirred at that temperature for 45 min before it was quenched with a mixture of aqueous K/Na tartrates solution (50 mL) and EtOAc (50 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3×20 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:6 \rightarrow 1:3) to afford disaccharide aldehyde **7** (908 mg, 1.21 mmol, 87% yield) as a white foam. **7**: R_f = 0.33 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:3); $[\alpha]_{20}^D = -32.8$ ($c = 0.7$, $CHCl_3$); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 2967, 2936, 2844, 1692, 1648, 1613, 1577, 1525, 1439, 1364, 1340, 1307, 1282, 1257, 1197, 1146, 1124, 1100, 1060, 1033, 1017, 963, 930, 909, 858, 817, 770, 754, 730 cm^{-1} ; 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 600 MHz) δ = 9.67 – 9.43 (m, 1 H), 8.08 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 1 H), 8.01 – 7.88 (m, 1 H), 7.86 – 7.77 (m, 3 H), 7.73 (s, 1 H), 7.59 – 7.44 (m, 3 H), 7.38 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2 H), 6.00 – 5.79 (m, 1 H), 5.45 – 5.02 (m, 5 H), 4.98 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.91 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.68 (s, 1 H), 4.62 – 3.64 (m, 9 H), 3.32 – 3.15 (m, 1 H), 3.22 (s, 3 H), 2.28 – 2.21 (m, 1 H), 2.21 (br s, 3 H), 1.50 – 1.40 (m, 1 H), 1.44 (br s, 3 H), 1.14 (br s, 3 H), 0.95 (br s, 3 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 151 MHz) δ = 196.6, 155.3, 146.7, 135.5, 135.1, 133.8, 133.4, 133.3, 133.1, 129.1, 128.4, 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 126.4, 126.3, 126.2, 125.7, 124.5, 116.9, 102.0, 99.3, 83.6, 75.7, 72.6, 71.8, 71.7, 67.9, 67.4, 66.2, 65.5, 60.8, 56.7, 47.5, 36.3, 21.4, 20.9, 16.7, 12.4 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $C_{39}H_{48}N_2O_{11}SNa^+$ $[M+Na]^+$ 775.2871, found 775.2900.

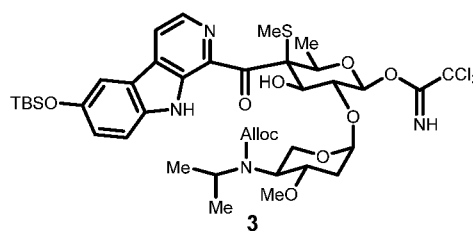


Coupling product alcohol 33 (two diastereoisomers, **a** and **b**): To a stirred solution of iodocarboline **6** (602 mg, 1.25 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) in THF (10 mL) was slowly added *t*-BuLi (1.47 mL, 1.7 M in hexanes, 2.50 mmol, 6.0 equiv.) at $-78^\circ C$. The dark solution so obtained was stirred at that temperature for another 30 min before slow addition of a solution of aldehyde **7** (314 mg, 0.417 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (3.5 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at $-78^\circ C$ for 10 min and then warmed up to $-35^\circ C$ over 30 min before it was quenched with AcOH (180 mg, 0.176 mL, 3.0 mmol, 7.2 equiv.) at $-78^\circ C$.

°C. The resulting mixture was diluted with EtOAc (15 mL) and treated with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (7 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:12 → 1:3) to give coupling product alcohol **33** as a mixture of diastereoisomers (397 mg, 0.358 mmol, 86% yield based on 5
7, ca. 1:1 dr, inconsequential) as a brown foam. **33a** (less polar): *R*_f = 0.33 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:3); [*α*]₂₀ D = -28.3 (*c* = 0.6, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) *v*_{max} = 3379, 3057, 2956, 2930, 2858, 1726, 1695, 1578, 1566, 1526, 1487, 1462, 1442, 1382, 1363, 1341, 1278, 1259, 1200, 1166, 1124, 1067, 970, 884, 838, 825, 812, 782, 730 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) *δ* = 8.83 (br s, 1 H), 8.50 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 8.10 (br s, 2 H), 7.96 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.64 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.51 – 7.36 (m, 4 H), 7.11 (s, 1 H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.02 – 6.91 (m, 2 H), 6.81 (s, 1 H), 5.86 – 5.76 (m, 1 H), 5.38 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.34 (s, 1 H), 5.29 (q, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.26 – 5.14 (m, 2 H), 5.14 – 5.04 (m, 2 H), 4.80 – 3.99 (m, 9 H), 3.78 (s, 3 H), 3.69 – 3.60 (m, 1 H), 3.28 – 3.15 (m, 1 H), 3.08 (s, 3 H), 2.44 (s, 3 H), 2.13 (dd, *J* = 12.9, 4.6 Hz, 1 H), 1.61 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 3 H), 1.44 – 1.37 (m, 1 H), 1.07 – 1.06 (m, 12 H), 0.89 (br s, 3 H), 0.27 (s, 6 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) *δ* = 157.0, 155.2, 149.9, 146.7, 138.9, 138.1, 136.3, 135.7, 135.5, 133.7, 133.3, 133.1, 132.8, 130.5, 129.4, 128.1, 128.0, 127.7, 127.6, 126.2, 126.0, 125.9, 125.7, 125.1, 124.5, 123.0, 122.2, 116.9, 115.6, 112.8, 111.3, 102.4, 99.6, 85.9, 79.2, 75.5, 74.1, 72.7, 71.6, 67.9, 67.5, 65.5, 62.1, 60.8, 56.7, 55.7, 47.5, 36.4, 25.9, 21.3, 20.9, 18.4, 18.0, 13.1, -4.2 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₅₈H₇₃N₄O₁₄SSi⁺ [M+H]⁺ 1109.4608, found 1109.4608. **33b** (more polar): *R*_f = 0.28 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:3); [*α*]₂₀ D = -4.7 (*c* = 0.3, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) *v*_{max} = 3374, 3055, 2956, 2929, 2857, 1727, 1695, 1579, 1566, 1526, 1487, 1463, 1442, 1364, 1341, 1275, 1200, 1125, 1075, 964, 938, 893, 858, 838, 782, 750, 730 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) *δ* = 8.90 (br s, 1 H), 8.49 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 8.11 – 8.01 (m, 2 H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 7.88 – 7.81 (m, 2 H), 7.81 – 7.75 (m, 2 H), 7.61 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 7.51 – 7.45 (m, 3 H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, 2 H), 6.98 (br d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 6.89 (br s, 1 H), 6.59 (s, 1 H), 5.83 (ddt, *J* = 16.1, 10.5, 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.36 (br s, 1 H), 5.30 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.27 – 5.16 (m, 1 H), 5.15 – 4.95 (m, 4 H), 4.85 (br d, *J* = 11.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.73 – 4.04 (m, 8 H), 4.01 (q, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.76 (s, 3 H), 3.24 – 3.10 (m, 1 H), 3.18 (s, 3 H), 2.61 (s, 3 H), 2.23 (br d, *J* = 12.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.42 – 1.34 (m, 1 H), 1.33 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 3 H), 1.10 (br s, 3 H), 1.03 (s, 9 H), 0.90 (br s, 3 H), 0.23 (s, 3 H), 0.22 (s, 3 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) *δ* = 156.4, 155.2, 149.9, 146.6, 139.4, 138.1, 136.7, 135.9, 135.8, 133.7, 133.5, 133.3, 132.9, 130.8, 129.3, 129.0, 128.0, 127.8, 127.6, 126.2, 125.9, 125.6, 125.4, 124.6, 124.4, 122.9, 122.3, 116.8, 115.3, 112.6, 111.2, 102.4, 99.6, 84.7, 82.2, 78.7, 74.7, 72.5, 71.7, 67.9, 67.5, 65.5, 60.8, 60.7, 56.7, 55.6, 47.5, 36.3, 25.9, 21.3, 20.9, 18.4, 16.4, 15.2, -4.2 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₅₈H₇₂N₄O₁₄SSiNa⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 1131.4427, found 1131.4410.

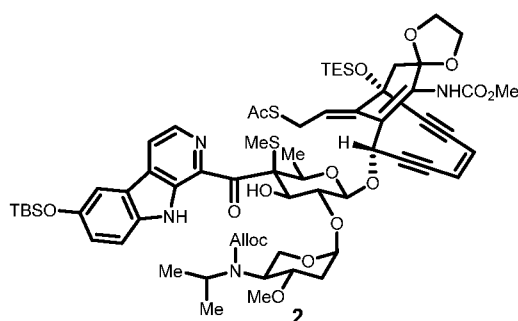


Ketone 34: To a stirred solution of the coupling product alcohol **33** (a mixture of diastereoisomers, **a** and **b**, 636 mg, 0.573 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in EtOH (12 mL) was slowly added a solution of NaOH in EtOH (3.45 mL, 0.5 M, 1.72 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to 25 °C and stirred at that temperature for another 2.5 h before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (5 mL). The resulting mixture was concentrated under vacuum to remove all volatiles and the residue so obtained was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was dissolved in CHCl₃ (40 mL) and DMP (268 mg, 0.630 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) was added to the stirred solution at 0 °C. The resulting reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to 35 °C over 5 min and stirring was continued at that temperature for another 5 min. The mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous Na₂S₂O₃ (10 mL) and the organic layer was separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:4 → 1:2) to give ketone **34** (407 mg, 0.388 mmol, 68% for the two steps) as a yellow foam. **34**: *R*_f = 0.35 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:3); [*α*]₂₀ D = -4.5 (*c* = 0.6, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) *v*_{max} = 3446, 3057, 2957, 2930, 2857, 1695, 1633, 1578, 1525, 1484, 1462, 1420, 1363, 1341, 1306, 1283, 1253, 1184, 1126, 1098, 1047, 1007, 993, 955, 888, 838, 812, 781, 753, 729, 709 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) *δ* = 10.04 (br s, 1 H), 8.42 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 8.19 – 8.06 (m, 2 H), 7.99 – 7.84 (m, 1 H), 7.64 (br s, 1 H), 7.52 – 7.29 (m, 7 H), 7.21 – 7.10 (m, 3 H), 6.99 (br s, 1 H), 6.17 (br s, 1 H), 6.01 – 5.81 (m, 1 H), 5.64 (br s, 1 H), 5.52 – 4.91 (m, 7 H), 4.80 – 3.63 (m, 8 H), 3.45 – 3.03 (m, 1 H), 3.23 (s, 3 H), 2.64 (br s, 3 H), 2.26 (br s, 1 H), 1.46 (br s, 1 H), 1.23 – 1.08 (m, 6 H), 1.06 (s, 9 H), 0.94 (br s, 3 H), 0.27 (s, 6 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) *δ* = 197.5, 155.2, 150.3, 146.6, 137.2, 136.2, 136.1, 135.6, 135.5, 134.9, 133.8, 133.3, 132.7, 132.5, 131.9, 129.4, 129.0, 127.7, 127.3, 126.0, 125.8, 125.6, 125.4, 124.6, 124.4, 123.3, 121.5, 119.2, 116.8, 112.5, 111.6, 102.9, 99.5, 88.4, 79.1, 75.0, 74.1, 72.3, 71.7, 68.2, 67.5, 65.5, 60.8, 56.8, 47.6, 36.4, 25.9, 21.3, 20.9, 18.4, 16.5, 14.9, -4.2 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₅₆H₆₈N₄O₁₂SSiNa⁺ [*M*+Na]⁺ 1071.4216, found 1071.4179.



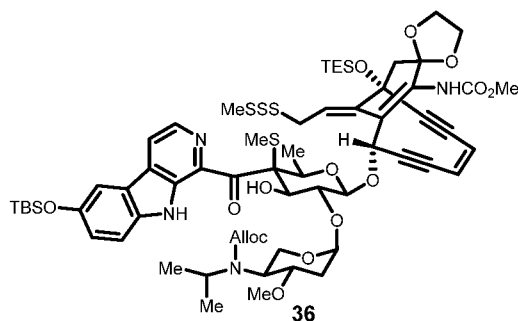
Hydroxy trichloroacetimidate 3: A solution of *o*-nitrobenzyl ether ketone **34** (200 mg, 0.191 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (200 mL) and H₂O (20 mL) was irradiated with a Hanovia mercury lamp (450

W) for 4.5 h. The resulting darkened solution was concentrated under vacuum and then extracted with EtOAc (3×10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum to afford the corresponding crude lactol (ca. 1:1 mixture of anomers) which was used for the next reaction without further purification. To a vigorously stirred suspension of the crude lactol so obtained as described above in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) and H_2O (1.0 mL) was added DDQ (108 mg, 0.477 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) at 25 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 30 °C for 1.5 h before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (6 mL). The resulting mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3×15 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The crude hydroxy lactol so obtained was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (5.0 mL) and Cl_3CCN (2.5 mL) and to the vigorously stirred solution at 25 °C was added NaH (9.2 mg, 0.38 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) portionwise. The reaction mixture was stirred at that temperature for another 5 min before it was filtered through a thin layer of Celite®. The filtrate was concentrated under vacuum and purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes: Et_3N = 50:10:1 \rightarrow 50:25:1) to afford hydroxy trichloroacetimidate **3** (93.0 mg, 0.101 mmol, 53% for the three steps, β -anomer exclusively) as a yellow foam. **3**: R_f = 0.22 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:3); $[\alpha]_{20}^D = -44.8$ (c = 0.3, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3344, 2957, 2930, 2857, 1724, 1670, 1579, 1484, 1463, 1364, 1286, 1252, 1201, 1126, 1075, 1028, 999, 955, 888, 838, 809, 797, 781 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ = 10.16 (br s, 1 H), 8.66 (br s, 1 H), 8.50 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 8.13 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.56 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1 H), 7.17 (dd, J = 8.7, 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 6.60 (br s, 1 H), 6.17 – 5.85 (m, 1 H), 5.82 – 5.60 (m, 1 H), 5.60 – 5.39 (m, 1 H), 5.36 (br s, 1 H), 5.34 – 5.23 (m, 1 H), 5.18 (br s, 1 H), 4.71 – 4.46 (m, 2 H), 4.37 (br s, 1 H), 4.30 – 3.31 (m, 6 H), 3.23 (s, 3 H), 2.45 (br s, 1 H), 2.25 (br s, 3 H), 1.42 – 1.16 (m, 10 H), 1.04 (s, 9 H), 0.24 (s, 6 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ = 197.8, 161.6, 150.6, 137.6, 136.5, 136.2, 134.6, 133.4, 132.6, 123.8, 121.6, 119.5, 117.3, 112.7, 111.8, 100.6, 98.5, 95.7, 91.8, 76.5, 72.7, 72.5, 72.0, 71.2, 65.9, 65.5, 60.7, 57.1, 46.6, 35.4, 25.9, 21.2, 21.0, 18.4, 17.3, 15.6, -4.2 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{40}\text{H}_{55}\text{Cl}_3\text{N}_4\text{O}_{10}\text{SSiNa}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 939.2366, found 939.2354.



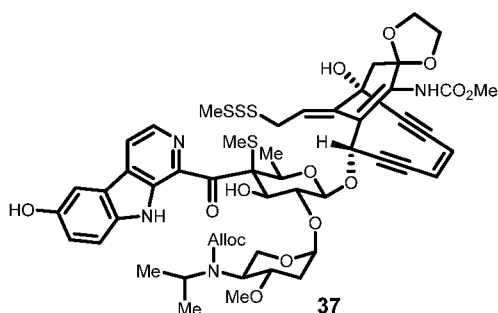
Eneidyne thioacetate 2: A mixture of freshly prepared hydroxy trichloroacetimidate **3** (40.0 mg, 0.0436 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and thioacetate **4** (38.0 mg, 0.0696 mmol, 1.6 equiv.) was dried by azeotropic removal of benzene (3×3 mL), and dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (1.0 mL). Activated 4Å molecular sieves (120 mg) were added to this solution. The mixture was cooled down to -78 °C and stirred for 30 min, before $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$ (0.152 mL, 1.0 M in CH_2Cl_2 , 0.152 mmol, 3.5 equiv.) was added at the same temperature. The

reddish solution was stirred at $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 30 min, $-60\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 30 min, and finally $-40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 10 min, at which temperature a solution of saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (1.5 mL) was added to quench the reaction. The reaction mixture was then filtered through Celite[®]. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc ($3 \times 5\text{ mL}$). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by PTLC (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:1) to give enediyne thioacetate **2** (14.7 mg, 0.0113 mmol, 26% yield based on **3**) as a yellow foam. **2**: R_f = 0.25 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 2:3); $[\alpha]_{20}^D = -106$ ($c = 0.2$, MeOH); FT-IR (neat) $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3275, 2956, 2926, 2875, 2856, 1735, 1685, 1676, 1629, 1581, 1484, 1460, 1312, 1284, 1273, 1253, 1231, 1195, 1115, 1082, 1056, 1011, 976, 956, 887, 838, 827, 808, 780, 737\text{ cm}^{-1}$; ^1H NMR (C_6D_6 , 600 MHz) $\delta = 9.78$ (br s, 1 H), 7.96 (d, $J = 4.9\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 7.78 (br s, 1 H), 7.46 (d, $J = 2.4\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 7.22 (d, $J = 4.9\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 7.08 – 6.97 (m, 1 H), 6.76 (br t, $J = 8.2\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 6.67 (d, $J = 8.7\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 6.50 (br s, 1 H), 5.94 (br s, 1 H), 5.78 (td, $J = 10.8, 5.1\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 5.65 – 4.70 (m, 10 H), 4.69 – 4.23 (m, 5 H), 4.12 (br s, 1 H), 3.85 – 3.19 (m, 9 H), 3.18 – 2.89 (m, 4 H), 2.74 (br s, 1 H), 2.60 (br d, $J = 13.7\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 2.42 (s, 3 H), 1.91 (s, 3 H), 1.84 (d, $J = 6.2\text{ Hz}$, 3 H), 1.61 (br t, $J = 10.4\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 1.15 (t, $J = 7.9\text{ Hz}$, 9 H), 1.10 (s, 3 H), 1.07 (s, 9 H), 0.98 – 0.87 (m, 9 H), 0.18 (s, 6 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (C_6D_6 , 151 MHz) $\delta = 199.0, 195.0, 155.9, 150.5, 137.8, 136.7, 136.0, 135.0, 133.5, 132.4, 125.3, 123.9, 123.5, 121.8, 119.1, 117.1, 112.9, 111.7, 106.4, 104.9, 104.5, 100.8, 100.5, 86.7, 85.2, 80.5, 76.8, 74.1, 72.1, 71.7, 71.3, 66.4, 65.5, 64.4, 61.2, 58.0, 56.4, 52.7, 52.4, 48.8, 37.6, 30.4, 30.2, 30.1, 25.9, 20.8, 18.6, 18.5, 16.0, 14.4, 7.6, 6.9, -4.3\text{ ppm}$. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{65}\text{H}_{88}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{16}\text{S}_2\text{Si}_2\text{Na}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 1323.5068, found 1323.5038.

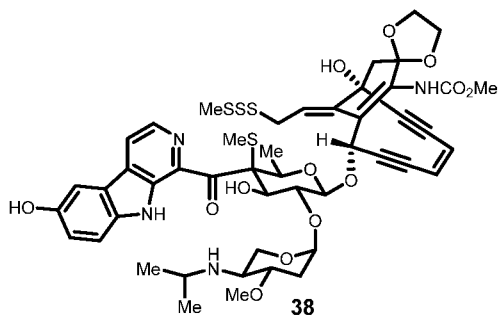


Methyl trisulfide 36: To a stirred solution of enediyne thioacetate **2** (9.2 mg, 0.0071 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in MeOH (2.0 mL) was added a solution of KOH (0.14 mL, 0.5 M in MeOH, 0.070 mmol, 10.0 equiv.) at $-15\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$. The reaction mixture was stirred at $-5\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 1.5 h until no starting material was present (TLC). AcOH (0.14 mL, 0.5 M in MeOH, 0.070 mmol, 10.0 equiv.) was added at that temperature to neutralize the resulting solution. PhthNSSMe (9.6 mg, 0.043 mmol, 6.0 equiv.) was added at $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, and the reaction mixture was stirred at this temperature for 15 min. The solution so obtained was concentrated under vacuum and the residue was purified by PTLC (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 2:3) to afford methyl trisulfide **36** (4.7 mg, 0.0035 mmol, 50% for the two steps) as a yellow foam. **36**: R_f = 0.29 (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 2:3); $[\alpha]_{20}^D = -92.5$ ($c = 0.2$, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3413, 2956, 2931, 2877, 1734, 1672, 1579, 1556, 1485, 1462, 1419, 1363, 1311, 1285, 1274, 1252, 1194, 1168, 1144, 1123, 1082, 1056, 1010, 978, 953, 887, 838, 824, 809, 781, 743\text{ cm}^{-1}$; ^1H NMR (C_6D_6 , 600 MHz) $\delta = 9.80$ (br s, 1 H),

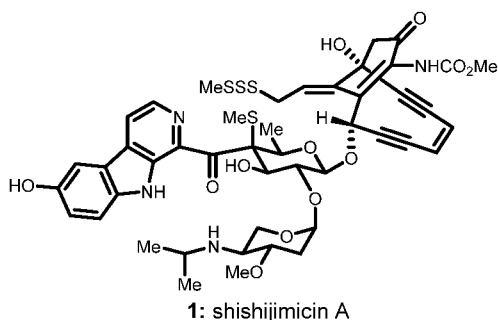
7.97 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1 H), 7.87 – 7.49 (m, 1 H), 7.47 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1 H), 7.22 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1 H), 7.03 (dd, $J = 8.7, 2.4$ Hz, 1 H), 6.97 (br s, 1 H), 6.67 (ddd, $J = 8.3, 5.6, 2.4$ Hz, 1 H), 6.51 (s, 1 H), 5.92 (br s, 1 H), 5.78 (br d, $J = 9.7$ Hz, 1 H), 5.69 – 4.66 (m, 10 H), 4.66 – 4.27 (m, 5 H), 4.14 (br s, 1 H), 3.84 – 3.22 (m, 9 H), 3.22 – 2.95 (m, 4 H), 2.75 (br d, $J = 12.6$ Hz, 1 H), 2.63 (br d, $J = 13.7$ Hz, 1 H), 2.35 (br s, 3 H), 2.29 (br s, 3 H), 1.77 (br d, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 3 H), 1.65 – 1.58 (m, 1 H), 1.18 (t, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 9 H), 1.14 – 1.09 (br s, 3 H), 1.07 (s, 9 H), 1.01 – 0.89 (m, 9 H), 0.18 (s, 6 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (C_6D_6 , 151 MHz) $\delta = 198.8, 155.8, 150.5, 137.7, 136.7, 136.0, 135.1, 133.5, 132.4, 125.6, 123.8, 123.7, 123.5, 121.8, 119.1, 117.1, 112.9, 111.6, 106.4, 104.7, 104.2, 100.8, 100.4, 86.8, 85.3, 80.3, 76.9, 74.0, 71.9, 71.7, 71.5, 66.3, 65.5, 64.5, 61.2, 57.9, 56.4, 52.9, 52.4, 48.8, 40.1, 37.3, 30.2, 30.2, 25.9, 22.5, 20.9, 18.5, 18.4, 15.9, 7.6, 6.9, -4.3$ ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{64}\text{H}_{88}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{15}\text{S}_4\text{Si}_2\text{Na}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 1359.4560, found 1359.4540.



Phenol 37: To a solution of the methyl trisulfide **36** (4.8 mg, 0.0036 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (1.5 mL) was added HF \cdot py (75 μL , 70% HF in pyridine) at 0 $^\circ\text{C}$. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 25 $^\circ\text{C}$ and stirred for another 4 h, before it was diluted with EtOAc (3 mL) and quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 (2 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 \times 5 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by PTLC (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 2:1) to give phenol **37** (3.2 mg, 0.0029 mmol, 80% yield) as a yellow foam. **37**: $R_f = 0.27$ (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 2:1); $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -47.0$ ($c = 0.1$, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3358, 2924, 2853, 1664, 1555, 1492, 1462, 1384, 1313, 1287, 1194, 1144, 1123, 1053, 1016, 911, 838, 774, 731 \text{ cm}^{-1}$; ^1H NMR (CD_3OD , 600 MHz) $\delta = 8.44$ (br s, 1 H), 8.21 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1 H), 7.61 – 7.50 (m, 2 H), 7.14 (dd, $J = 8.8, 2.4$ Hz, 1 H), 6.41 – 6.04 (m, 3 H), 6.06 – 5.63 (m, 5 H), 5.62 – 5.13 (m, 5 H), 5.08 – 4.91 (m, 1 H), 4.76 – 4.65 (m, 1 H), 4.65 – 4.47 (m, 2 H), 4.43 – 3.74 (m, 10 H), 3.69 (br s, 3 H), 3.56 – 3.35 (m, 1 H), 3.25 – 3.08 (m, 3 H), 2.61 (s, 3 H), 2.57 – 2.46 (m, 1 H), 2.47 – 2.24 (m, 4 H), 2.26 – 2.08 (m, 2 H), 2.07 – 1.98 (m, 1 H), 1.65 – 1.50 (m, 1 H), 1.31 – 1.12 (m, 9 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CD_3OD , 151 MHz) $\delta = 198.2, 157.5, 153.0, 139.7, 138.0, 137.5, 136.8, 136.5, 134.3, 133.3, 130.9, 130.8, 125.8, 125.5, 125.0, 123.8, 122.6, 120.1, 120.0, 117.8, 114.1, 106.9, 106.8, 102.9, 100.2, 90.6, 87.8, 84.4, 79.3, 74.3, 74.0, 73.8, 73.0, 71.6, 71.3, 67.1, 66.4, 62.4, 62.0, 58.8, 53.1, 51.6, 41.4, 37.0, 36.5, 33.1, 28.1, 26.9, 23.7, 23.1, 17.4, 15.1$ ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{52}\text{H}_{60}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{15}\text{S}_4\text{Na}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 1131.2830, found 1131.2838.

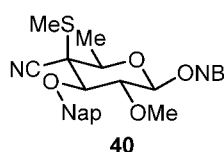


Amine 38: To a stirred solution of phenol **37** (2.5 mg, 0.0023 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (1.0 mL) were added Pd(PPh₃)₄ (1.3 mg, 0.0011 mmol, 0.5 equiv.) and morpholine (3.0 mg, 3.0 μ L, 0.034 mmol, 15 equiv.) sequentially at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 45 min before it was concentrated under vacuum. The residue so obtained was purified by PTLC (silica gel, EtOAc:Et₃N = 12:1) to give free amine **38** (2.1 mg, 0.0021 mmol, 91% yield) as a yellow foam. Note: the free amine **38** so obtained was stabilized with TFA immediately. **38**: *R*_f = 0.36 (silica gel, EtOAc: Et₃N = 12:1); [α]₂₀ D = -55.0 (*c* = 0.1, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3352, 3097, 2925, 2854, 1675, 1496, 1462, 1432, 1380, 1287, 1247, 1201, 1137, 1063, 950, 880, 836, 800, 721 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CD₃OD, 600 MHz) δ = 8.44 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 8.24 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.61 – 7.51 (m, 2 H), 7.15 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 6.43 (dd, *J* = 9.8, 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.94 (d, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.90 (br s, 1 H), 5.86 (dd, *J* = 9.4, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.68 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.61 (br t, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1 H), 5.44 (q, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.76 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.37 – 4.27 (m, 2 H), 4.22 (dd, *J* = 14.8, 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.16 – 4.09 (m, 1 H), 4.07 (dd, *J* = 14.8, 5.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.01 – 3.85 (m, 4 H), 3.84 – 3.73 (m, 4 H), 3.59 – 3.50 (m, 1 H), 3.38 (s, 3 H), 3.37 – 3.32 (m, 1 H), 2.62 (s, 3 H), 2.53 – 2.45 (m, 2 H), 2.43 (s, 3 H), 2.09 (d, *J* = 13.1 Hz, 1 H), 1.63 – 1.55 (m, 1 H), 1.36 – 1.32 (m, 6 H), 1.21 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CD₃OD, 151 MHz) δ = 198.1, 158.4, 153.1, 139.0, 138.0, 137.6, 136.5, 136.3, 133.5, 133.1, 130.0, 129.9, 125.8, 123.6, 122.5, 120.3, 120.2, 114.1, 106.8, 106.7, 104.4, 103.2, 99.8, 99.5, 88.0, 84.7, 80.1, 79.0, 74.8, 74.6, 74.5, 73.2, 72.0, 66.9, 66.4, 58.9, 56.3, 56.1, 53.9, 50.3, 49.6, 41.3, 34.7, 23.1, 20.1, 18.5, 17.2, 15.4 ppm. HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₄₈H₅₆N₄O₁₃S₄Na⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 1047.2624, found 1047.2618.

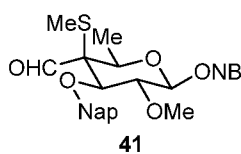


Shishijimicin A (1): To a stirred solution of amine **38** (2.0 mg, 0.0020 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (0.5 mL) were added acetone (0.5 mL) and H₂O (25 μ L) sequentially, followed by a slow addition of *p*-TSA (0.1 M in THF, 58 μ L, 0.0058 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) at 25 °C. The slightly darkened reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 48 h before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (2 mL). The organic layer

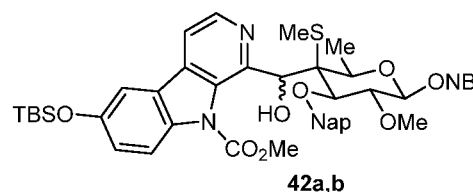
was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3×5 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by reversed-phase HPLC (C18, $\phi 19 \times 150$ mm, Atlantis, 47.5% \rightarrow 52.5% aqueous MeCN containing 0.05% TFA) to afford shishijimicin A (**1**) (1.4 mg, 73% yield) as a yellow foam. **1**: $R_f = 0.13$ (silica gel, EtOAc:Et₃N 12:1); $[\alpha]_{20}^D = -64.6$ ($c = 0.24$, MeOH) (Lit. $[\alpha]_{28}^D = -66$ ($c = 0.16$, MeOH))⁸; FT-IR (neat) $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3361, 2921, 2851, 1668, 1493, 1461, 1390, 1202, 1140, 1065, 837, 801, 721 \text{ cm}^{-1}$; ¹H NMR (CD_3OD , 600 MHz) $\delta = 8.42$ (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1 H), 8.22 (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1 H), 7.56 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1 H), 7.54 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1 H), 7.14 (dd, $J = 8.7, 2.4$ Hz, 1 H), 6.52 (dd, $J = 10.1, 5.2$ Hz, 1 H), 6.35 (br s, 1 H), 6.02 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H), 5.95 (dd, $J = 9.5, 1.7$ Hz, 1 H), 5.72 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 1 H), 5.52 (br t, $J = 2.6$ Hz, 1 H), 5.48 (q, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 1 H), 4.95 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1 H), 4.34 (dd, $J = 8.9, 7.7$ Hz, 1 H), 4.18 (dd, $J = 14.4, 10.2$ Hz, 1 H), 4.14 (br t, $J = 10.8$ Hz, 1 H), 3.98 (dd, $J = 14.2, 5.1$ Hz, 1 H), 3.97 (dd, $J = 11.7, 4.3$ Hz, 1 H), 3.82 (td, $J = 9.7, 4.6$ Hz, 1 H), 3.75 (br s, 3 H), 3.53 (m, 1 H), 3.36 (s, 3 H), 3.30 (m, 1 H), 3.01 (d, $J = 17.0$ Hz, 1 H), 2.71 (d, $J = 17.0$ Hz, 1 H), 2.57 (s, 3 H), 2.48 (ddd, $J = 13.2, 4.6, 2.3$ Hz, 1 H), 2.45 (s, 3 H), 1.58 (ddd, $J = 13.4, 10.2, 3.6$ Hz, 1 H), 1.33 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3 H), 1.31 (d, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 3 H), 1.18 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) $\delta = 197.8, 194.2, 157.8, 153.1, 149.3, 138.6, 138.0, 137.6, 136.5, 136.4, 133.5, 132.6, 128.6, 126.0, 124.1, 122.5, 120.3, 120.2, 114.1, 106.8, 103.0, 102.1, 100.0, 98.8, 89.2, 83.9, 79.9, 79.8, 74.8, 74.6, 74.3, 73.1, 70.7, 59.5, 56.3, 56.1, 54.8, 53.7, 50.6, 41.2, 34.7, 23.0, 19.9, 18.6, 17.2, 15.2$ ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{52}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{12}\text{S}_4\text{Na}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+ 1003.2357$, found 1003.2351.



Methyl ether 40: To a stirred solution of alcohol **39** (Nicolaou, *et al.*, 2015) (170 mg, 0.344 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and CH_3I (146 mg, 64 μL , 1.03 mmol, 3.0 equiv) in DMF (8.0 mL) at 0 °C was added washed sodium hydride (16.5 mg, 0.688 mmol, 2.0 equiv) portionwise. The reddish reaction mixture was stirred at this temperature for 40 min before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl solution (10 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3×15 mL) and the combined organic extracts were washed with brine (15 mL), dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:7 \rightarrow 1:5) to give methyl ether **40** (119 mg, 0.234 mmol, 68% yield) as a white foam. **40**: ¹H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) $\delta = 8.10$ (dd, $J = 8.2, 1.3$ Hz, 1 H), 7.91 – 7.79 (m, 5 H), 7.67 (td, $J = 7.6, 1.3$ Hz, 1 H), 7.58 – 7.53 (m, 1 H), 7.51 – 7.43 (m, 3 H), 5.28 (d, $J = 15.1$ Hz, 1 H), 5.09 (d, $J = 15.1$ Hz, 1 H), 5.06 (d, $J = 10.9$ Hz, 1 H), 5.03 (d, $J = 10.9$ Hz, 1 H), 4.46 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1 H), 3.97 – 3.89 (m, 2 H), 3.72 (dd, $J = 9.0, 7.6$ Hz, 1 H), 3.67 (s, 3 H), 2.44 (s, 3 H), 1.55 (d, $J = 6.2$ Hz, 3 H) ppm.

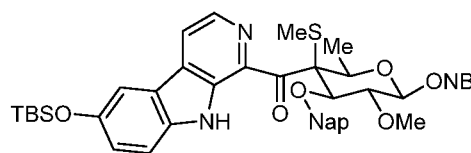


Aldehyde 41: To a stirred solution of methyl ether **40** (120 mg, 0.236 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (6.0 mL) at -78 °C was slowly added DIBAL-H (0.708 mL, 1.0 M in CH₂Cl₂, 0.708 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred at this temperature for another 5 min before it was quenched with saturated aqueous Rochelle salt solution (10 mL). The resulting mixture was diluted with EtOAc and the organic layer was separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 15 mL) and the organic layers were combined, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:6 → 1:3) to give aldehyde **41** (66.4 mg, 0.130 mmol, 55% yield) as a white foam. **41**: *R*_f = 0.61 (silica gel, CH₂Cl₂); [α]_D²⁰ = -49 (*c* = 0.75, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3057, 2984, 2928, 2860, 1715, 1613, 1577, 1524, 1443, 1361, 1340, 1156, 1121, 1096, 1076, 1035, 858, 819, 753, 729 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 9.58 (s, 1 H), 8.10 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.88 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.85 – 7.79 (m, 4 H), 7.63 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.50 – 7.40 (m, 4 H), 5.30 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.08 (d, *J* = 15.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.02 (d, *J* = 10.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.50 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.18 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.85 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 7.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.70 (q, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.67 (s, 3 H), 2.22 (s, 3 H), 1.44 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3 H) ppm.



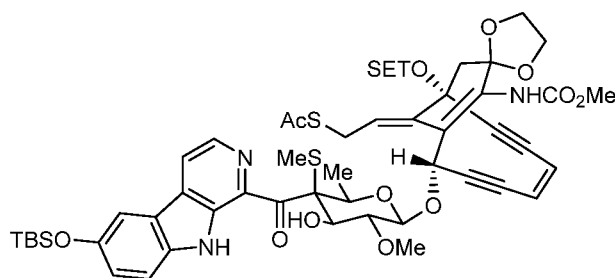
Coupling product alcohol 42 (two diastereoisomers, **a** and **b**): To a stirred solution of iodocarboline **6** (Nicolaou, *et al.*, 2015) 250 mg, 0.518 mmol, 3.0 equiv) in THF (5.0 mL) was slowly added *t*-BuLi (0.610 mL, 1.7 M in hexanes, 1.04 mmol, 6.0 equiv) at -78 °C. The dark solution so obtained was stirred at that temperature for 30 min before a solution of aldehyde **41** (88.4 mg, 0.173 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (1.2 mL) was slowly added. The reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 10 min and then warmed up to -35 °C over 30 min before it was quenched with AcOH (102 mg, 0.100 mL, 1.70 mmol, 9.8 equiv) at -78 °C. The resulting mixture was diluted with EtOAc (6 mL) and treated with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (7 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:12 → 1:3) to give coupling product alcohol **42** as a mixture of diastereoisomers (115 mg, 0.133 mmol, 77% yield based on **41**, *ca.* 1:1 inconsequential diastereoisomeric mixture) as a brown foam. **42a** (less polar): *R*_f = 0.41 (silica gel, CH₂Cl₂); [α]_D²⁰ = -60 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3396, 3055, 3012, 2955, 2929, 2857, 1742, 1724, 1567, 1525, 1487, 1461, 1442, 1340, 1276, 1259, 1200, 1168, 1125, 1093, 1061, 983, 884, 838, 811, 782, 755, 729 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 8.66 (br s, 1 H), 8.43 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 8.09 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.92 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.90 – 7.88 (m, 1 H), 7.79 – 7.75 (m, 1 H), 7.68 – 7.63 (m, 2 H), 7.59 – 7.55 (m, 1 H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.47 – 7.41 (m, 3 H), 7.25 (br s, 1 H), 7.12 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 7.02 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.80 (s, 1 H), 5.35 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.14 – 5.02 (m, 2 H), 4.89 (d, *J* = 11.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.49 (d, *J* = 7.6

Hz, 1 H), 4.11 (dd, $J = 9.1, 7.6$ Hz, 1 H), 3.77 (d, $J = 9.1$ Hz, 1 H), 3.75 (s, 3 H), 3.64 (d, $J = 11.4$ Hz, 1 H), 3.61 (s, 3 H), 2.47 (s, 3 H), 1.71 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3 H), 1.06 (s, 9 H), 0.26 (s, 3 H), 0.26 (s, 3 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) $\delta = 156.73, 149.83, 147.26, 138.66, 138.31, 136.35, 136.34, 135.66, 135.00, 133.77, 133.22, 132.82, 130.40, 129.11, 128.03, 127.75, 126.14, 125.89, 125.31, 125.17, 124.82, 122.87, 122.26, 115.40, 112.77, 111.29, 103.92, 84.77, 84.21, 75.36, 74.05, 72.90, 67.83, 61.45, 60.77, 55.53, 25.94, 18.43, 18.08, 13.26, -4.20$ ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{54}\text{N}_3\text{O}_{10}\text{SiS}^+ [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 868.3294, found 868.3296. **42b** (more polar): $R_f = 0.13$ (silica gel, CH_2Cl_2); $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -71$ ($c = 0.2$, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3425, 3059, 2955, 2929, 2856, 1761, 1735, 1578, 1566, 1526, 1487, 1460, 1361, 1340, 1274, 1259, 1199, 1123, 1090, 1039, 977, 896, 838, 812, 783, 754, 729$ cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) $\delta = 8.80$ (s, 1 H), 8.37 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1 H), 8.11 – 8.02 (m, 2 H), 7.93 – 7.83 (m, 4 H), 7.81 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 1 H), 7.63 (td, $J = 7.6, 1.3$ Hz, 1 H), 7.55 – 7.49 (m, 2 H), 7.46 – 7.39 (m, 2 H), 7.35 (dd, $J = 8.4, 1.7$ Hz, 1 H), 6.79 (dd, $J = 8.7, 2.3$ Hz, 1 H), 6.56 (s, 1 H), 6.12 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 1 H), 5.30 (d, $J = 15.2$ Hz, 1 H), 5.20 (d, $J = 12.7$ Hz, 1 H), 5.05 (d, $J = 15.2$ Hz, 1 H), 4.34 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1 H), 4.28 (d, $J = 12.7$ Hz, 1 H), 4.08 (q, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 1 H), 3.99 (d, $J = 9.2$ Hz, 1 H), 3.87 (dd, $J = 9.3, 7.6$ Hz, 1 H), 3.83 (s, 3 H), 3.58 (s, 3 H), 2.68 (s, 3 H), 1.65 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3 H), 1.01 (s, 9 H), 0.20 (s, 3 H), 0.19 (s, 3 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) $\delta = 155.59, 149.52, 147.28, 139.43, 137.74, 137.41, 135.39, 134.75, 134.72, 133.78, 133.75, 132.84, 130.39, 129.09, 128.19, 128.13, 127.90, 126.26, 125.90, 124.88, 124.86, 124.61, 122.59, 121.72, 114.83, 112.28, 110.95, 103.61, 83.96, 83.75, 83.50, 73.95, 73.03, 67.82, 61.12, 60.60, 55.62, 25.91, 18.38, 16.60, 15.86, -4.27, -4.28$ ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{54}\text{N}_3\text{O}_{10}\text{SiS}^+ [\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 868.3294, found 868.3314.



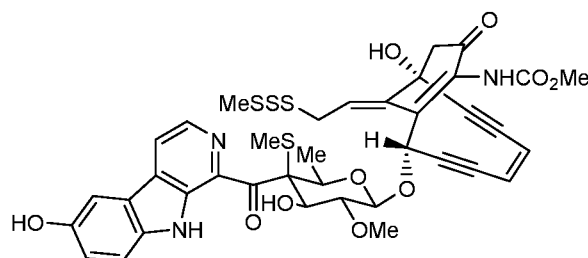
Ketone 43: To a stirred solution of the coupling product alcohol **42** (a mixture of diastereoisomers, **a** and **b**, 110 mg, 0.127 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in EtOH (8.0 mL) was slowly added a solution of NaOH in EtOH (0.760 mL, 0.5 M, 0.380 mmol, 3.0 equiv) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to 25 °C and stirred at that temperature for another 2.5 h before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl solution (3.0 mL). The resulting mixture was concentrated under vacuum to remove all volatiles and the residue so obtained was extracted with EtOAc (3×10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was dissolved in CHCl_3 (15 mL) and DMP (59.4 mg, 0.140 mmol, 1.1 equiv) was added to the stirred solution at 0 °C. The resulting reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to 35 °C over 5 min and stirring was continued at that temperature for another 5 min. The mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ solution (5.0 mL) and the organic layer was separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3×10 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:4 \rightarrow 1:2) to give ketone **43** (64.6

mg, 0.0800 mmol, 63% yield over the two steps) as a yellow foam. **43**: R_f = 0.38 (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:2); $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = -43 (c = 0.4, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3443, 3054, 2953, 2930, 2857, 1661, 1578, 1525, 1483, 1462, 1362, 1341, 1282, 1273, 1251, 1182, 1131, 1104, 1067, 1046, 1008, 978, 950, 887, 839, 811, 782, 752, 728 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ = 10.02 (s, 1 H), 8.17 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 8.12 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 8.02 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.75 – 7.67 (m, 2 H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 7.39 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.36 – 7.32 (m, 2 H), 7.23 – 7.16 (m, 3 H), 7.15 – 7.10 (m, 3 H), 6.96 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.99 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.60 (q, J = 6.4 Hz, 1 H), 5.40 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.20 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.91 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.81 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.34 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.17 (dd, J = 9.0, 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.77 (s, 3 H), 2.65 (s, 3 H), 1.11 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 3 H), 1.06 (s, 9 H), 0.28 (s, 6 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ = 197.59, 150.22, 147.23, 137.18, 136.08, 136.02, 135.93, 135.11, 134.65, 133.88, 132.66, 132.38, 131.64, 129.15, 128.05, 127.61, 127.34, 127.32, 126.38, 125.81, 125.61, 125.41, 124.83, 123.20, 121.55, 118.93, 112.43, 111.63, 104.45, 86.10, 74.77, 73.97, 72.44, 68.12, 61.23, 25.94, 18.45, 16.51, 15.29, -4.19 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{44}\text{H}_{50}\text{N}_3\text{O}_8\text{SiS}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 808.3082, found 808.3090.

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Enediyne thioacetate 44: A solution of *o*-nitrobenzyl ether ketone **43** (60.0 mg, 0.0743 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (60 mL) and H_2O (6 mL) was irradiated with a Hanovia mercury lamp (450 W) for 4.5 h. The resulting darkened solution was concentrated under vacuum and then extracted with EtOAc (3×10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum to afford the corresponding crude lactol (ca. 1:1 mixture of anomers) which was used for the next reaction without further purification. To a vigorously stirred suspension of the crude lactol obtained as described above in CH_2Cl_2 (5.0 mL) and H_2O (0.5 mL) was added DDQ (42.1 mg, 0.186 mmol, 2.5 equiv) at 25 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 30 °C for 1.5 h before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 solution (3 mL). The resulting mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3×10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The crude hydroxy lactol so obtained was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (2.4 mL) and Cl_3CCN (0.8 mL) and to the vigorously stirred solution at 25 °C was added NaH (3.6 mg, 0.149 mmol, 2.0 equiv) portionwise. The reaction mixture was stirred at that temperature for another 5 min before it was filtered through a thin layer of Celite®. The filtrate was concentrated under vacuum and purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes/ Et_3N 50:10:1 → 50:25:1) to afford hydroxy trichloroacetimidate (21.7 mg, 0.0320 mmol, 43% yield over the three steps) as a yellow foam. This hydroxy trichloroacetimidate was used directly for the next step.

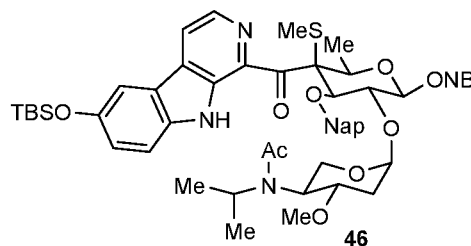
A mixture of freshly prepared hydroxy trichloroacetimidate (12.0 mg, 0.0177 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and thioacetate **4** (Nicolaou, *et al.*, 2015) (15.5 mg, 0.0284 mmol, 1.6 equiv) was dried by azeotropic removal of benzene (3 × 3 mL), and dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (0.4 mL). Activated 4 Å molecular sieves (80.0 mg) were added to this solution. The mixture was cooled down to −78 °C and stirred for 30 min, before
 5 BF₃•OEt₂ (62.0 μL, 1.0 M in CH₂Cl₂, 0.0620 mmol, 3.5 equiv) was added at the same temperature. The reddish solution was stirred at −78 °C for 30 min, −60 °C for 30 min, and finally −40 °C for 10 min, at which temperature a solution of saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (1.5 mL) was added to quench the reaction. The reaction mixture was then filtered through Celite®. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 5 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over
 10 Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by PTLC (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes = 1:1) to give enediyne thioacetate **8** (4.5 mg, 4.2 μmol, 24% yield based on hydroxy trichloroacetimidate) as a pale yellow foam. **8**: *R*_f = 0.56 (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:1); HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₅₃H₆₉N₃O₁₂S₂Si₂Na⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 1082.3753, found 1082.3770.



45: KCN-LL-4

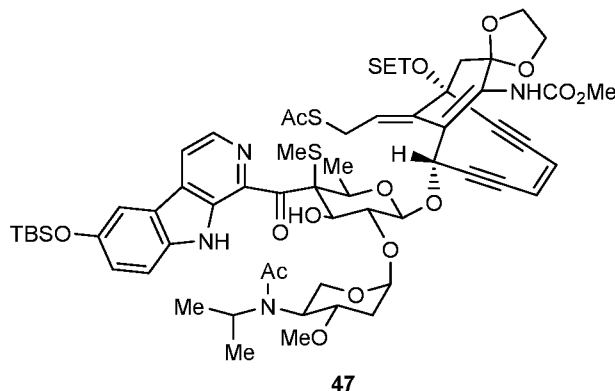
KCN-LL-4 (45): To a stirred solution of enediyne thioacetate **44** (4.0 mg, 3.8 μmol, 1.0 equiv) in MeOH (0.5 mL) was added a solution of LiOH•H₂O (0.38 mL, 0.4 M in MeOH, 0.15 mmol, 40 equiv) at −15 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at this temperature for 20 min until no starting material was present (TLC). AcOH (0.15 mL, 1.0 M in MeOH, 0.15 mmol, 40 equiv) was added at that temperature to neutralize the resulting solution. PhthNSSMe (4.2 mg, 0.019 mmol, 5.0 equiv) was added at 0 °C, and the
 20 reaction mixture was stirred at this temperature for 15 min. The solution so obtained was concentrated under vacuum and was used directly for the next step without further purification. To a solution of the crude methyl trisulfide in THF (0.5 mL) was added HF•py (30 μL, 70% HF in pyridine) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 25 °C and stirred for another 4 h, before it was diluted with EtOAc (2 mL) and quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (2 mL). The organic layer was separated
 25 and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 5 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum to afford crude phenol which was used directly for the next step. To a stirred solution of the so-obtained crude phenol in THF (0.3 mL) were added sequentially acetone (0.2 mL) and H₂O (20 μL), followed by a slow addition of *p*-TSA (0.1 M in THF, 0.19 mL, 19 μmol, 5.0 equiv) at 25 °C. The slightly darkened yellowish reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 48 h
 30 before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (1.0 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 5 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by PTLC to afford

KCN-LL-4 (**45**, 1.3 mg, 42% yield over the three steps) as yellow foam. **45**: ^1H NMR (CD_3OD , 600 MHz) δ = 8.41 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 8.21 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.60 – 7.51 (m, 2 H), 7.14 (dd, J = 8.7, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 6.45 (dd, J = 10.1, 5.3 Hz, 1 H), 6.35 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 6.01 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.94 (dd, J = 9.4, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 5.66 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.51 (q, J = 5.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.37 – 5.33 (m, 2 H), 5.16 (br s, 1 H),
 5 4.93 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.70 (s, 3 H), 3.03 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.69 (d, J = 17.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.55 (s, 3 H), 2.49 (s, 3 H) ppm.



N-acetyl disaccharide 46: To a stirred solution of *N*-Alloc disaccharide **34** (Nicolaou, *et al.*, 2015) (165 mg, 0.157 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (10 mL) were added sequentially $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$ (36.0 mg, 0.0312
 10 mmol, 0.2 equiv) and morpholine (41.1 mg, 41.2 μL , 0.472 mmol, 3.0 equiv) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 45 min before it was concentrated under vacuum. The residue so obtained was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (5.0 mL) and Ac_2O (80.2 mg, 78.5 μL , 0.787 mmol, 5.0 equiv), pyridine (124 mg, 0.135 mL, 1.57 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and DMAP (19.2 mg, 0.157 mmol, 1.0 equiv) were added sequentially at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 20 °C and stirred at this temperature for
 15 another 48 h before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 solution (5.0 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 \times 15 mL). The combined organic layer was washed with brine (15 mL), dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:5 \rightarrow 1:3) to give *N*-acetyl disaccharide **46** (123 mg, 0.122 mmol, 78% yield) as a yellowish foam. **46**: R_f = 0.50 (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:2); $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = +1.0 (c = 0.3, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3446, 3057, 2957, 2930, 2857, 1726, 1642, 1578, 1526, 1484, 1462, 1361, 1342, 1284, 1273, 1183, 1145, 1126, 1097, 1047, 1008, 955, 888, 839, 811, 781, 751, 729 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz, *ca.* 1.8:1 ratio rotamers) δ = 10.20 – 9.92 (m, 1 H), 8.43 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 8.19 – 8.02 (m, 2 H), 7.95 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 0.35 H), 7.87 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 0.65 H), 7.73 – 7.57 (m, 1 H), 7.50 – 7.35 (m, 4 H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 2 H), 7.25 – 7.22 (m, 1 H), 7.17 – 7.10 (m, 3 H), 7.05 – 6.93 (m, 1 H), 6.27 – 6.08 (m, 1 H), 5.71 – 5.56 (m, 1 H), 5.49 – 5.38 (m, 1.3 H), 5.35 (br
 20 s, 0.7 H), 5.26 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 0.65 H), 5.19 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 0.35 H), 5.08 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 0.65 H), 5.03 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 0.35 H), 4.78 – 4.52 (m, 3 H), 4.34 – 4.19 (m, 1 H), 3.85 – 3.46 (m, 1 H), 3.28 – 3.05 (m, 3 H), 3.05 – 2.79 (m, 1 H), 2.64 (br s, 3 H), 2.01 (s, 1.1 H), 1.92 (s, 1.9 H), 1.41 (br s, 1.1 H), 1.31 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1.1 H), 1.14 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 1.9 H), 1.13 – 1.08 (m, 1.9 H), 1.06 – 1.03 (m, 9 H), 1.01 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 1.9 H), 0.85 (br s, 1.1 H), 0.27 – 0.23 (m, 6 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz, rotamers exist) δ = 197.63, 171.55, 170.20, 150.38, 150.23, 146.88, 137.29, 137.18, 136.38, 136.21, 136.14, 136.09, 135.89, 135.60, 135.22, 134.97, 134.87, 134.02, 133.45, 132.74, 132.69, 132.58, 132.43, 132.04, 131.80, 129.64, 128.76, 128.13, 127.86, 127.69, 127.66, 127.57, 127.42, 127.29, 127.26, 126.09, 126.02, 125.99, 125.85,

125.73, 125.56, 125.43, 124.84, 124.19, 123.46, 123.21, 121.50, 121.43, 119.36, 119.17, 112.53, 112.44, 111.61, 103.17, 99.60, 99.04, 75.06, 74.92, 72.32, 71.51, 68.46, 67.46, 60.67, 60.54, 60.38, 57.34, 56.83, 55.54, 49.95, 47.57, 36.95, 35.19, 25.93, 25.92, 24.21, 23.54, 21.36, 20.95, 20.38, 19.91, 18.44, 16.57, 14.95, -4.20 ppm.



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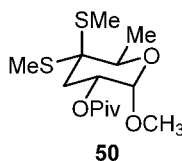
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Enediyne thioacetate 47: A solution of *N*-acetyl disaccharide **46** (110 mg, 0.109 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (100 mL) and H₂O (10 mL) was irradiated with a Hanovia mercury lamp (450 W) for 4.5 h. The resulting darkened solution was concentrated under vacuum and then extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum to afford the corresponding crude lactol which was used for the next reaction without further purification. To a vigorously stirred suspension of the crude lactol obtained as described above in CH₂Cl₂ (6.0 mL) and H₂O (0.6 mL) was added DDQ (61.9 mg, 0.273 mmol, 2.5 equiv) at 25 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 30 °C for 2 h before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (6.0 mL). The resulting mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The crude hydroxy lactol so obtained was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (4.0 mL) and Cl₃CCN (1.0 mL) and to the vigorously stirred solution at 25 °C was added NaH (5.2 mg, 0.218 mmol, 2.0 equiv) portionwise. The reaction mixture was stirred at that temperature for another 5 min before it was filtered through a thin layer of Celite®. The filtrate was concentrated under vacuum and purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc:hexanes:Et₃N = 60:20:1 → 40:40:1) to afford hydroxy trichloroacetimidate (54.4 mg, 0.0621 mmol, 57% yield over the three steps) as a yellow foam. This hydroxy trichloroacetimidate was used directly for the next step.

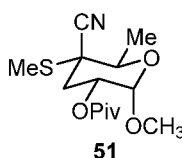
A mixture of freshly prepared hydroxy trichloroacetimidate (28.0 mg, 0.0320 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and thioacetate **4** (Nicolaou, *et al.*, 2015) (22.7 mg, 0.0415 mmol, 1.3 equiv) was dried by azeotropic removal of benzene (3 × 3 mL), and dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (0.7 mL). Activated 4 Å molecular sieves (120 mg) were added to this solution. The mixture was cooled down to -78 °C and stirred for 30 min, before BF₃•OEt₂ (0.112 mL, 1.0 M in CH₂Cl₂, 0.112 mmol, 3.5 equiv) was added at the same temperature. The reddish solution was stirred at -78 °C for 30 min, -60 °C for 30 min, and finally -40 °C for 10 min, at which temperature a saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (5.0 mL) was added to quench the reaction. The reaction mixture was then filtered through Celite®. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer

was extracted with EtOAc (3×5 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by PTLC (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:1) to give enediyne thioacetate **12** (5.2 mg, 4.1 μmol , 13% yield based on hydroxy trichloroacetimidate) as a pale yellow foam. **12**: $R_f = 0.42$ (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:1); HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{63}\text{H}_{86}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{15}\text{S}_2\text{Si}_2\text{Na}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 1281.4962, found 1281.4948.

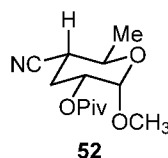
KCN-LL-3 (48): To a stirred solution of enediyne thioacetate **47** (4.0 mg, 3.2 μmol , 1.0 equiv) in MeOH (0.5 mL) was added a solution of $\text{LiOH}\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (0.400 mL, 0.4 M in MeOH, 0.160 mmol, 50 equiv) at -15°C . The reaction mixture was stirred at this temperature for 20 min until no starting material was present (TLC). AcOH (0.160 mL, 1.0 M in MeOH, 0.160 mmol, 50 equiv) was added at that temperature to neutralize the resulting solution. PhthNSSMe (4.3 mg, 0.0192 mmol, 6.0 equiv) was added at 0°C , and the reaction mixture was stirred at this temperature for 15 min. The solution so obtained was concentrated under vacuum and was used directly for the next step without further purifications. To a solution of the crude methyl trisulfide in THF (0.8 mL) was added $\text{HF}\cdot\text{py}$ (40 μL , 70% HF in pyridine) at 0°C . The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 25°C and stirred for another 4 h, before it was diluted with EtOAc (2.0 mL) and quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 solution (2.0 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3×3 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum to afford crude phenol which was used directly for the next step. To a stirred solution of the so-obtained crude phenol in THF (0.3 mL) were added acetone (0.2 mL) and H_2O (20 μL) sequentially, followed by a slow addition of *p*-TSA (0.160 mL, 0.1 M in THF, 0.0160 mmol, 5.0 equiv) at 25°C . The yellowish reaction mixture was stirred at 25°C for 48 h before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 solution (2.0 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3×3 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by PTLC to afford KCN-LL-3 (**48**, 1.5 mg, 1.5 μmol , 46% yield over the three steps) as yellow foam. **48**: ^1H NMR (CD_3OD , 600 MHz) $\delta = 8.47$ (d, $J = 4.9$ Hz, 1 H), 8.22 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1 H), 7.56 (d, $J = 2.3$ Hz, 1 H), 7.54 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1 H), 7.14 (dd, $J = 8.7, 2.4$ Hz, 1 H), 6.43 (dd, $J = 11.1, 4.1$ Hz, 1 H), 6.36 (s, 1 H), 6.04 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz, 1 H), 5.95 – 5.91 (m, 1 H), 5.75 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1 H), 5.62 – 5.59 (m, 1 H), 5.44 (q, $J = 6.5$ Hz, 1 H), 4.88 (d, $J = 7.9$ Hz, 1 H), 4.72 – 4.65 (m, 1 H), 4.27 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1 H), 4.15 (dd, $J = 14.8, 11.1$ Hz, 1 H), 4.12 – 4.04 (m, 2 H), 3.76 (dd, $J = 14.9, 4.1$ Hz, 1 H), 3.63 (br s, 3 H), 3.45 – 3.39 (m, 1 H), 3.33 (s, 3 H), 3.07 – 2.98 (m, 2 H), 2.68 (d, $J = 17.7$ Hz, 1 H), 2.51 (s, 3 H), 2.44 (s, 3 H), 2.37 (dd, $J = 12.8, 4.5$ Hz, 1 H), 2.16 (s, 3 H), 1.22 – 1.17 (m, 6 H), 1.14 (d, $J = 6.3$ Hz, 3 H) ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{48}\text{H}_{53}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{13}\text{S}_4\text{Na}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 1045.2462, found 1045.2455.



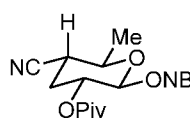
bis-(Methylthio)-ketal 50: To a stirred solution of ketone **49** (Zhao & Liu, 2001) (1.37 g, 5.61 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in toluene (45 mL) were sequentially added TMSSMe (1.69 g, 1.99 mL, 14.0 mmol, 2.5 equiv) and TMSOTf (1.87 g, 1.52 mL, 8.41 mmol, 1.5 equiv) at $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, and the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$. Saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 solution (4.20 mL, ca. 4.20 mmol, 0.75 equiv) was added at this temperature, and the resulting mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 15 min before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 solution (30 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc ($3 \times 50\text{ mL}$). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:15 \rightarrow 1:12) to afford *bis*-(methylthio)-ketal **50** (1.70 g, 5.27 mmol, 94% yield) as a pale yellow oil. **50**: $R_f = 0.55$ (silica gel, CH_2Cl_2); $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +86$ ($c = 0.7$, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) $\nu_{\text{max}} = 2974, 2937, 2922, 2872, 2844, 1790, 1726, 1480, 1455, 1395, 1286, 1194, 1151, 1076, 1052, 1033, 1015, 928, 893\text{ cm}^{-1}$; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) $\delta = 5.18$ (ddd, $J = 11.3, 5.1, 3.6\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 4.78 (d, $J = 3.6\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 4.15 (q, $J = 6.5\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 3.40 (s, 3 H), 2.17 (dd, $J = 13.1, 5.1\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 2.13 (s, 3 H), 2.12 (s, 3 H), 2.15 – 2.10 (m, 1 H), 1.30 (d, $J = 6.6\text{ Hz}$, 3 H), 1.20 (s, 9 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) $\delta = 178.12, 96.89, 70.86, 67.87, 60.77, 55.41, 38.90, 32.56, 27.22, 15.98, 13.17, 11.15\text{ ppm}$; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_4\text{S}_2\text{Na}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 345.1165, found 345.1172.



α -Methylthionitrile 51: To a stirred solution of *bis*-(methylthio)-ketal **50** (1.70 g, 5.27 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL) were sequentially added TMSCN (1.56 g, 2.09 mL, 15.8 mmol, 3.0 equiv) and SnCl_4 (7.90 mL, 1.0 M in CH_2Cl_2 , 7.90 mmol, 1.5 equiv) at $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$. The reaction mixture was stirred at $0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 3 h before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO_3 solution (30 mL). The reaction mixture was filtered through a layer of Celite[®] and partitioned with CH_2Cl_2 (30 mL) and H_2O (20 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 ($3 \times 30\text{ mL}$). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:10 \rightarrow 1:8) to afford α -methylthionitrile **51** (1.51 g, 5.01 mmol, 95% yield) as a white foam. **51**: $R_f = 0.39$ (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:10); $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +130$ ($c = 0.5$, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) $\nu_{\text{max}} = 2980, 2937, 2874, 2841, 2232, 1733, 1480, 1456, 1385, 1369, 1282, 1201, 1149, 1075, 1067, 1034, 940, 900, 876\text{ cm}^{-1}$; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) $\delta = 4.94$ (ddd, $J = 12.3, 4.8, 3.5\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 4.90 (d, $J = 3.5\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 3.87 (q, $J = 6.3\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 3.39 (s, 3 H), 2.38 (ddd, $J = 12.6, 4.8, 0.9\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 2.34 (s, 3 H), 2.17 (t, $J = 12.4\text{ Hz}$, 1 H), 1.43 (d, $J = 6.3\text{ Hz}$, 3 H), 1.20 (s, 9 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) $\delta = 177.62, 117.48, 96.36, 68.29, 67.59, 55.76, 46.85, 38.84, 34.23, 27.15, 17.03, 13.37\text{ ppm}$; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_4\text{SNa}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 324.1240, found 324.1246.

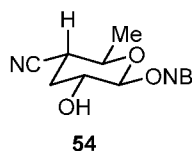
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Nitrile 52: To a stirred solution of nitrile **51** (1.01 g, 3.35 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in benzene (50 mL) was added Bu₃SnH (1.95 g, 1.77 mL, 6.70 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and AIBN (55.0 mg, 0.335 mmol, 0.1 equiv). The reaction mixture was heated to 80 °C and stirred for another 1.5 h before it was cooled down and concentrated under vacuum. The residue so obtained was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:8 → 1:4) to afford nitrile **52** and 4-*epi*-**52** (847 mg, 3.31 mmol, 99% yield, ca. 1.4:1 dr) as white foams. **52**: *R*_f = 0.49 (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:4); [α]_D²⁰ = +158 (*c* = 0.5, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 2977, 2938, 2911, 2876, 2842, 2245, 1731, 1481, 1460, 1397, 1386, 1364, 1322, 1284, 1195, 1152, 1096, 1079, 1052, 1033, 934, 912, 893, 860 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 4.74 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.68 (ddd, *J* = 12.0, 5.0, 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.97 (dq, *J* = 10.2, 6.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.41 (s, 3 H), 2.55 (ddd, *J* = 12.8, 10.3, 4.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.23 (q, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.15 (dt, *J* = 12.4, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.38 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.19 (s, 9 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ = 177.94, 118.67, 96.62, 67.68, 64.55, 55.65, 38.88, 34.03, 27.13, 26.77, 19.33 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₃H₂₁NO₄Na⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 278.1363, found 278.1369. 4-*epi*-**52**: *R*_f = 0.26 (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:4); [α]_D²⁰ = +224 (*c* = 0.5, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 2979, 2938, 2875, 2842, 2241, 1730, 1481, 1458, 1398, 1387, 1366, 1329, 1283, 1219, 1187, 1156, 1140, 1096, 1053, 1033, 1017, 954, 928, 898, 881, 856, 770 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 5.00 (ddd, *J* = 12.4, 5.0, 3.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.02 (qd, *J* = 6.4, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.39 (s, 3 H), 2.89 (dt, *J* = 5.2, 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.22 (td, *J* = 12.6, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.10 (dddd, *J* = 12.9, 5.0, 2.8, 0.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.36 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.19 (s, 9 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ = 177.71, 118.44, 96.77, 66.68, 62.61, 55.69, 38.81, 34.09, 27.14, 26.16, 18.91 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₃H₂₁NO₄Na⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 278.1363, found 278.1364.

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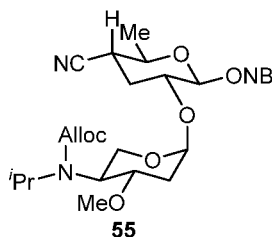
***o*-Nitrobenzyl ether 53:** To a stirred solution of nitrile **52** (510 mg, 2.00 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in Ac₂O (15.0 mL) was added conc. H₂SO₄ (196 mg, 0.106 mL, 2.00 mmol, 1.0 equiv) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at this temperature for 2 h before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (10 mL). The excess Ac₂O was azeotropically removed with toluene and the resulting residue was washed with brine (10 mL). The organic layer was concentrated under vacuum to afford the crude acetate which was dissolved in MeOH (25 mL). To this solution at 0 °C was added methanolic NH₃ (2.86 mL, 7.0 M, 20.0 mmol, 10.0 equiv) and the reaction mixture was then stirred at this temperature for 2 h. All the volatiles were removed under vacuum to give the lactol which was used for the next step without further purification. To a stirred solution of the so-obtained lactol in CH₂Cl₂ (12 mL) was added Cl₃CCN (3.0 mL) and NaH (144 mg, 6.00 mmol, 3.0 equiv) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 20 °C and stirred for

another 2 h before it was filtered through a layer of Celite[®]. All the volatiles were removed under vacuum to give the crude trichloroacetimidate which was immediately used for the next step. A mixture of freshly prepared hydroxy trichloroacetimidate and *o*-nitrobenzyl alcohol (613 mg, 4.00 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was dried by azeotropic removal of benzene (3×6 mL), and dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (12 mL). Activated 4 Å molecular
 5 sieves (1.0 g) were added to this solution. The mixture was cooled down to -78 °C and stirred for 30 min, before BF₃•OEt₂ (426 mg, 0.370 mL, 3.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added at the same temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 30 min, at which temperature a solution of saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (15 mL) was added to quench the reaction. The reaction mixture was then filtered through Celite[®]. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3×30 mL). The organic
 10 layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:5 \rightarrow 1:4) to give *o*-nitrobenzyl ether **53** (474 mg, 1.26 mmol, 63% yield over the four steps) as a white foam. **53**: R_f = 0.59 (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 3:7); $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = -101 (c = 0.3, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) ν_{\max} = 2977, 2936, 2873, 2245, 1733, 1614, 1578, 1527, 1480, 1459, 1363, 1342, 1284, 1172, 1151, 1102, 1063, 1038, 1021, 886, 858, 823, 791,
 15 730 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 8.12 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.79 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.63 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.45 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 5.27 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.03 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.78 (ddd, J = 11.3, 7.8, 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.64 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.79 (dq, J = 9.8, 6.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.61 (ddd, J = 12.8, 9.8, 4.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.54 (ddd, J = 13.0, 5.2, 4.1 Hz, 1 H), 1.87 (td, J = 12.9, 11.3 Hz, 1 H), 1.48 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 3 H), 1.18 (s, 9 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ = 177.39, 146.85, 134.27, 134.02, 128.61,
 20 128.27, 124.91, 118.25, 102.08, 72.96, 68.22, 67.71, 38.98, 33.79, 31.39, 27.16, 19.53 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₉H₂₄N₂O₆Na⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 399.1527, found 399.1531.

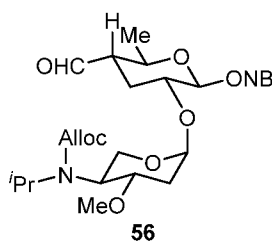


Alcohol 54: To a stirred solution of *o*-nitrobenzyl ether **53** (330 mg, 0.877 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in methanol (5.0 mL) was added LiOH•H₂O (24.0 mL, 1.0 M in MeOH, 24.0 mmol, 27 equiv) at 0 °C. The
 25 reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 20 °C and stirred for another 20 min before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl solution (50 mL). Methanol was removed *in vacuo* and the resulting aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc (3×30 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:3 \rightarrow 1:2) to give alcohol **54** (183 mg, 0.626 mmol, 71%
 30 yield) as a white foam. **54**: R_f = 0.30 (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 2:3); $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = $+10$ (c = 0.25, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) ν_{\max} = 3470, 2980, 2935, 2873, 2244, 1613, 1577, 1525, 1456, 1386, 1343, 1195, 1163, 1101, 1076, 1060, 1020, 924, 859, 822, 792, 730 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 8.06 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.74 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 7.65 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.48 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 5.22 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.06 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.40 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.74 (dq, J = 9.6, 6.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.59 – 3.48 (m, 1 H),
 35 2.56 – 2.44 (m, 2 H), 2.31 (br s, 1 H), 1.93 – 1.78 (m, 1 H), 1.45 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 3 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR

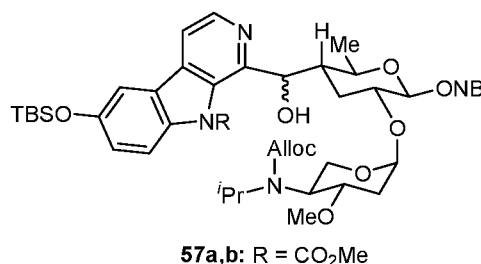
(CDCl₃, 151 MHz) δ = 147.77, 133.73, 133.41, 129.38, 128.76, 124.91, 118.60, 104.49, 72.97, 68.08, 67.99, 34.00, 33.15, 19.52 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₁₄H₁₆N₂O₅Na⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 315.0951, found 315.0953.



- 5 **Disaccharide nitrile 55:** A mixture of anhydrous AgClO₄ (314 mg, 1.51 mmol, 2.5 equiv) and SnCl₂ (287 mg, 1.51 mmol, 2.5 equiv) was dried by azeotropic removal of benzene (3 × 5 mL). The salts were then suspended in THF (4.0 mL), and powdered, activated 4 Å molecular sieves (500 mg) were added. The suspension was stirred in the dark at 25 °C for 15 min and then cooled to −78 °C. The resulting mixture was stirred at that temperature for 30 min to allow all moisture to be absorbed by the molecular sieves. A
- 10 solution of fluoride **10** (Nicolaou, *et al.*, 2011) (367 mg, 1.33 mmol, 2.2 equiv) and alcohol **54** (177 mg, 0.606 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (3.0 mL) was added slowly to this suspension with stirring, and the mixture was stirred at −78 °C for 1 h. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm slowly to 25 °C over 12 h, diluted with Et₂O (7.0 mL), and filtered through Celite[®]. The resulting solution was washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (15 mL) and brine (10 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum.
- 15 The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:4 → 1:2) to give disaccharide nitrile **55** (317 mg, 0.579 mmol, 95% yield based on **54**) as a white foam. **55**: *R*_f = 0.58 (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 2:3); [α]_D²⁰ = −53 (*c* = 0.3, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) *v*_{max} = 2966, 2934, 2243, 1693, 1648, 1527, 1444, 1364, 1342, 1307, 1283, 1258, 1198, 1166, 1145, 1123, 1104, 1062, 1046, 993, 913, 858, 791, 771, 731 cm^{−1}; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 8.09 (br s, 1 H), 8.03 – 7.86 (m, 1 H), 7.64 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.54 – 7.39 (m, 1 H), 6.03 – 5.75 (m, 1 H), 5.35 – 5.09 (m, 4 H), 5.09 – 5.01 (m, 1 H), 4.66 – 3.79 (m, 7 H), 3.73 (dq, *J* = 9.7, 6.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.63 (ddd, *J* = 11.1, 7.6, 5.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.31 (s, 3 H), 2.55 (dt, *J* = 13.0, 4.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.53 – 2.45 (m, 1 H), 2.32 – 2.25 (m, 1 H), 1.78 (q, *J* = 12.3 Hz, 1 H), 1.67 – 1.50 (m, 1 H), 1.43 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 3 H), 1.15 (br s, 3 H), 1.00 (br s, 3 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz)
- 20 δ = 155.45, 147.12, 134.80, 133.82, 133.25, 129.17, 128.65, 128.48, 128.37, 127.97, 125.44, 124.99, 124.70, 118.60, 117.02, 102.66, 102.45, 94.81, 72.66, 71.64, 70.77, 70.02, 67.59, 67.20, 65.58, 60.66, 56.82, 47.40, 36.01, 33.76, 31.19, 26.67, 21.54, 20.96, 20.21, 19.79, 19.58 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₇H₃₇N₃O₉Na⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 570.2422, found 570.2408.

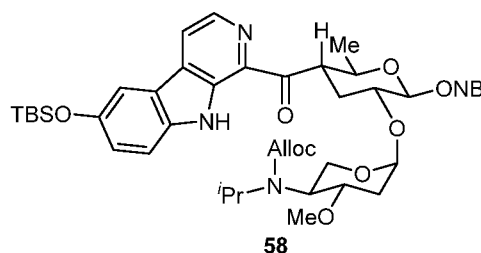


Disaccharide aldehyde 56: To a stirred solution of disaccharide nitrile **55** (313 mg, 0.571 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was added DIBAL-H (1.71 mL, 1.0 M in CH₂Cl₂, 1.71 mmol, 3.0 equiv) at -78 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at that temperature for 45 min before it was quenched with a mixture of saturated aqueous Rochelle salt solution (10 mL) and EtOAc (10 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 30 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:2 → 1:0) to afford disaccharide aldehyde **56** (267 mg, 0.485 mmol, 85% yield) as a white foam. **56**: *R*_f = 0.38 (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 2:3); [α]_D²⁰ = -57 (*c* = 0.5, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) ν_{\max} = 2934, 2867, 1723, 1694, 1526, 1445, 1365, 1342, 1306, 1282, 1258, 1198, 1165, 1122, 1107, 1072, 1046, 1022, 994, 916, 858, 791, 771, 730 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz) δ = 9.67 (br s, 1 H), 8.09 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1 H), 8.05 – 7.88 (m, 1 H), 7.64 (br s, 1 H), 7.43 (br s, 1 H), 5.84 (br s, 1 H), 5.40 – 5.00 (m, 6 H), 4.68 – 3.85 (m, 6 H), 3.89 – 3.75 (m, 1 H), 3.72 (ddd, *J* = 10.6, 7.2, 4.8 Hz, 1 H), 3.45 – 3.34 (m, 1 H), 3.31 (s, 3 H), 2.49 – 2.41 (m, 1 H), 2.37 (dt, *J* = 13.1, 4.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.28 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.57 (d, *J* = 9.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.36 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.15 (br s, 3 H), 1.00 (br s, 3 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 151 MHz, rotamers exist) δ = 200.64, 155.28, 147.14, 135.14, 133.79, 133.28, 129.15, 128.72, 128.24, 127.87, 124.94, 124.68, 117.05, 102.37, 102.08, 94.67, 71.77, 71.09, 67.36, 67.01, 65.60, 60.57, 56.92, 54.23, 54.02, 47.28, 35.98, 27.59, 27.37, 21.60, 20.97, 20.22, 19.79 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₂₇H₃₈N₂O₁₀Na⁺ [M+Na]⁺ 573.2419, found 573.2415.



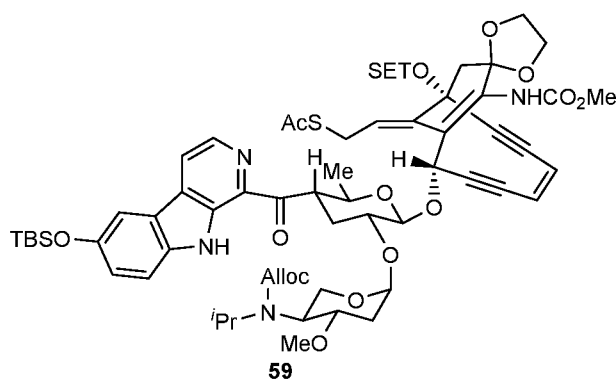
Coupling product alcohol 57 (two diastereoisomers, **a** and **b**): To a stirred solution of iodocarboline **6** (700 mg, 1.45 mmol, 3.0 equiv) in THF (15 mL) was slowly added *t*-BuLi (1.71 mL, 1.7 M in pentane, 2.90 mmol, 6.0 equiv) at -78 °C. The dark solution so obtained was stirred at that temperature for 30 min before slow addition of a solution of disaccharide aldehyde **56** (265 mg, 0.481 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (2.5 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 10 min and then warmed up to -35 °C over 30 min before it was quenched with AcOH (208 mg, 0.198 mL, 3.47 mmol, 7.2 equiv) at -78 °C. The resulting mixture was diluted with EtOAc (5.0 mL) and treated with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (5.0 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, acetone/CH₂Cl₂ 1:30 → 1:15) to give coupling product alcohol **57** as a mixture of diastereoisomers (266 mg, 0.293 mmol, 61% yield based on **56**, *ca.* 3:1 inconsequential diastereoisomeric mixture) as a brown foam. **57a** (less polar): *R*_f = 0.72 (silica gel, acetone/CH₂Cl₂ 1:10); [α]_D²⁰ = -21 (*c* = 0.4, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) ν_{\max} = 3327, 2956, 2931, 2858, 1754, 1696, 1578, 1567, 1527, 1488, 1461, 1443, 1363, 1341, 1274, 1261, 1200, 1165, 1123, 1106,

1072, 994, 978, 893, 838, 827, 783, 730 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ = 8.72 (br s, 1 H), 8.35 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 8.15 – 8.00 (m, 1 H), 8.02 – 7.91 (m, 1 H), 7.85 (br s, 1 H), 7.60 (br s, 1 H), 7.53 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.47 – 7.34 (m, 2 H), 7.14 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.23 (br s, 1 H), 5.83 (br s, 1 H), 5.28 – 4.96 (m, 4 H), 4.91 (br s, 1 H), 4.68 – 3.88 (m, 6 H), 3.83 (s, 3 H), 3.75 – 3.61 (m, 2 H), 3.42 – 3.28 (m, 1 H),
 5 3.23 (s, 3 H), 2.40 (br s, 1 H), 2.29 – 2.05 (m, 2 H), 1.50 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 3 H), 1.50 – 1.39 (m, 2 H), 1.19 – 1.07 (m, 3 H), 1.04 (s, 9 H), 0.94 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.24 (s, 6 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ = 154.91, 149.91, 147.11, 144.98, 138.01, 133.73, 133.26, 129.09, 128.70, 127.80, 124.76, 122.99, 122.09, 117.08, 114.66, 112.38, 111.37, 102.33, 94.27, 80.60, 73.44, 71.82, 66.90, 65.61, 60.28, 56.94, 55.59, 45.89, 35.68, 28.64, 25.92, 21.60, 20.93, 19.99, 18.42, –4.23 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{62}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{13}\text{SiNa}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 929.3975, found 929.3970. **57b** (more polar): R_f = 0.69 (silica gel, acetone/ CH_2Cl_2 1:10); $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = –3 (c = 0.4, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) ν_{max} = 3357, 2957, 2931, 2858, 1755, 1696, 1578, 1567, 1527, 1488, 1462, 1443, 1363, 1342, 1275, 1260, 1201, 1165, 1122, 1106, 1074, 1049, 981, 893, 838, 826, 783, 729 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) δ = 8.66 (br s, 1 H), 8.40 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 8.08 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1 H), 8.04 – 7.92 (m, 1 H), 7.85 (br s, 1 H), 7.62 (br s, 1 H), 7.53 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1 H),
 15 7.48 – 7.36 (m, 2 H), 7.14 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.33 (br s, 1 H), 5.83 (br s, 1 H), 5.30 – 5.04 (m, 4 H), 4.77 (d, J = 3.4 Hz, 1 H), 4.62 – 4.33 (m, 3 H), 4.34 – 3.88 (m, 3 H), 3.83 (s, 3 H), 3.79 – 3.67 (m, 1 H), 3.57 (ddd, J = 12.1, 7.3, 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.37 – 3.18 (m, 4 H), 2.39 (br s, 1 H), 2.21 – 2.08 (m, 1 H), 1.96 – 1.85 (m, 1 H), 1.77 (br s, 1 H), 1.46 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 3 H), 1.43 – 1.35 (m, 1 H), 1.19 – 1.09 (m, 4 H), 1.04 (s, 9 H), 0.94 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.25 (s, 6 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) δ = 154.98, 149.89, 147.10,
 20 140.66, 138.37, 135.82, 135.42, 134.29, 133.75, 133.26, 130.49, 129.19, 128.82, 127.78, 124.65, 122.97, 122.01, 116.98, 114.41, 112.28, 111.39, 102.64, 94.56, 82.72, 80.47, 72.65, 71.76, 67.20, 66.91, 65.57, 60.34, 56.91, 55.74, 47.16, 46.39, 35.89, 27.42, 21.55, 20.92, 19.32, 18.41 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{46}\text{H}_{62}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{13}\text{SiNa}^+$ $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 929.3975, found 929.3966.



25 **Ketone 58:** To a stirred solution of the coupling product alcohol **57** (a mixture of diastereoisomers, **a** and **b**, 240 mg, 0.265 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in EtOH (12.0 mL) was slowly added a solution of NaOH in EtOH (1.59 mL, 0.5 M, 0.794 mmol, 3.0 equiv) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to 25 °C and stirred at that temperature for another 2 h before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NH_4Cl solution (10.0 mL). The resulting mixture was concentrated under vacuum to remove all volatiles and the
 30 residue so obtained was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was dissolved in CHCl_3 (10.0 mL) and DMP (124 mg, 0.292 mmol, 1.1 equiv) was added to the stirred solution at 0 °C. The resulting reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to 35 °C over 5 min and stirring was continued at that temperature for

another 5 min. The mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ solution (5.0 mL) and the organic layer was separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3×20 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:6 \rightarrow 1:3) to give ketone **58** (157 mg, 0.185 mmol, 70% yield over the two steps) as a yellow foam. **58**: $R_f = 0.79$ (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes 1:1); $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -40$ ($c = 0.35$, CHCl_3); FT-IR (neat) $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3443, 2958, 2931, 2859, 1697, 1665, 1578, 1526, 1484, 1462, 1379, 1363, 1341, 1285, 1259, 1195, 1166, 1124, 1091, 1057, 996, 957, 889, 879, 839, 810, 781, 729 \text{ cm}^{-1}$; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 600 MHz) $\delta = 10.16$ (br s, 1 H), 8.52 (d, $J = 4.8$ Hz, 1 H), 8.21 – 8.02 (m, 3 H), 7.67 (br s, 1 H), 7.56 (d, $J = 2.3$ Hz, 1 H), 7.49 – 7.37 (m, 2 H), 7.15 (dd, $J = 8.7, 2.3$ Hz, 1 H), 5.85 (br s, 1 H), 5.48 – 5.00 (m, 5 H), 4.69 (d, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1 H), 4.60 – 4.34 (m, 3 H), 4.28 (br s, 1 H), 4.13 – 3.54 (m, 4 H), 3.41 (br s, 1 H), 3.29 (s, 3 H), 2.55 (d, $J = 12.3$ Hz, 1 H), 2.24 (d, $J = 12.5$ Hz, 1 H), 1.77 (br s, 1 H), 1.56 – 1.47 (m, 1 H), 1.20 (d, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 3 H), 1.14 (br s, 3 H), 1.04 (s, 9 H), 0.99 (br s, 3 H), 0.24 (s, 6 H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 151 MHz) $\delta = 204.66, 150.34, 147.08, 138.06, 136.79, 136.40, 135.59, 134.80, 133.82, 133.31, 131.84, 129.21, 128.81, 128.06, 127.75, 124.67, 123.38, 121.49, 119.68, 117.03, 112.53, 111.81, 102.77, 94.47, 73.64, 71.89, 71.57, 67.20, 66.87, 65.61, 60.44, 57.04, 47.43, 32.04, 25.90, 21.62, 20.97, 19.61, 18.40, -4.23$ ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for $\text{C}_{44}\text{H}_{58}\text{N}_4\text{O}_{11}\text{SiNa}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ 869.3764, found 869.3767.



Eneidyne thioacetate 59: A solution of *o*-nitrobenzyl ether ketone **58** (150 mg, 0.177 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (140 mL) and H_2O (14 mL) was irradiated with a Hanovia mercury lamp (450 W) for 4.5 h. The resulting darkened solution was concentrated under vacuum and then extracted with EtOAc (3×30 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated under vacuum to afford the corresponding crude lactol which was used for the next reaction without further purification.

The crude lactol so obtained was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (4.0 mL) and Cl_3CCN (1.0 mL) and to the vigorously stirred solution at 20°C was added NaH (8.5 mg, 0.35 mmol, 2.0 equiv) portionwise. The reaction mixture was stirred at that temperature for another 5 min before it was filtered through a thin layer of Celite®. The filtrate was concentrated under vacuum and purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, EtOAc/hexanes/ Et_3N 50:10:1 \rightarrow 50:25:1) to afford trichloroacetimidate (80.8 mg, 0.0944 mmol, 53% yield over the two steps) as a yellow foam. This trichloroacetimidate was used directly for the next step.

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solution (2.0 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum to afford crude phenol which was dissolved in THF (0.2 mL). To the resulting solution were added sequentially Pd(PPh₃)₄ (2.8 mg, 2.4 μmol, 0.6 equiv) and morpholine (5.2 mg, 5.3 μL, 0.060 mmol, 15 equiv) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 45 min before it was concentrated under vacuum. The residue so obtained was dissolved in THF (0.2 mL) to which acetone (0.1 mL) and H₂O (20 μL) were added sequentially, followed by a slow addition of *p*-TSA (0.200 mL, 0.1 M in THF, 0.0200 mmol, 5.0 equiv) at 20 °C. The slightly darkened yellowish reaction mixture was stirred at 20 °C for 48 h before it was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (1.0 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 3 mL). The organic layers were combined, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under vacuum. The resulting residue was purified by PTLC (silica gel, EtOAc/Et₃N 15:1) to afford KCN-LL-5 (**61**, 1.5 mg, 1.6 μmol, 41% yield over the four steps) as yellow foam. **61**: *R*_f = 0.61 (silica gel, EtOAc/Et₃N 12:1); [*α*]_D²⁰ = −188 (*c* = 0.07, CHCl₃); FT-IR (neat) *v*_{max} = 3361, 2923, 1663, 1490, 1458, 1332, 1285, 1259, 1056, 1033, 1001, 961, 880, 772, 742 cm^{−1}; ¹H NMR (CD₃OD, 600 MHz) δ = 8.46 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 8.23 (d, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.61 – 7.50 (m, 2 H), 7.14 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 6.44 (dd, *J* = 10.6, 4.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.33 (br s, 1 H), 6.07 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.98 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.20 – 5.04 (m, 1 H), 4.83 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.31 (ddd, *J* = 13.1, 9.8, 3.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.22 – 4.11 (m, 2 H), 3.89 (ddd, *J* = 11.0, 7.5, 4.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.85 – 3.79 (m, 2 H), 3.61 (br s, 3 H), 3.51 (td, *J* = 9.6, 4.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.36 (s, 3 H), 3.04 (d, *J* = 17.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.83 – 2.73 (m, 2 H), 2.70 (d, *J* = 17.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.62 – 2.55 (m, 1 H), 2.55 (s, 3 H), 2.27 – 2.18 (m, 1 H), 1.76 (q, *J* = 12.3 Hz, 1 H), 1.54 – 1.47 (m, 1 H), 1.18 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 3 H), 1.08 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.03 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 3 H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (CD₃OD, 151 MHz) δ = 204.36, 153.11, 138.70, 138.22, 137.63, 137.36, 135.93, 133.48, 133.26, 128.57, 126.35, 123.84, 122.38, 120.59, 120.13, 114.10, 106.94, 102.93, 102.37, 95.53, 89.70, 83.89, 77.49, 75.86, 72.65, 71.66, 63.64, 56.95, 56.49, 54.94, 53.04, 49.57, 47.51, 40.94, 34.90, 32.91, 22.87, 22.25, 19.85 ppm; HRMS (ESI-TOF) calcd for C₄₅H₅₀N₄O₁₁S₃Na⁺ [*M*+Na]⁺ 941.2530, found 941.2536.

EXAMPLE 4 – Biological Activity

i. Cytotoxic Assay

Cells were cultured in a T75 flask to ~ 50–80% confluency and harvested with trypsin into a single cell suspension. Five hundred (500) cells per well were seeded in tissue culture plates in 50 μL/well culture media and incubated at 37 °C for 18–24 hours. Compounds were diluted as 400× final desired concentrations in DMSO. Serial dilutions in DMSO were then diluted in culture media for a final DMSO concentration of 0.25% and 50 μL/well of the final dilution was added to the cells (*V*_f = 100 μL). Upon plating and treatment, cells were returned to the incubator for an additional 72 hours. CellTiter-Glo reagent was prepared per manufacturer's instructions and added at 100 μL/well to the cultures. CellTiter-Glo allows for relative enumeration of metabolically active cells by quantifying intracellular ATP concentrations. After 5 minutes of incubation with CellTiter-Glo at ambient room temperature, 125

μL/well of the Cell Titer Glo/cell lysate solution was transferred into black assay plates, which were then read in a luminometer within 30 minutes. Luminescence readings obtained from cultures that did not receive any treatment (cell culture media only) were set as 100% control and all other luminescence values were normalized to these controls (*e.g.*, Normalized RLU, relative luminescence unit).

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ii. Cell Lines

MES SA and MES SA/Dx cells are uterine sarcoma. MES SA Dx cell line was generated from MES SA to achieve upregulation of MDR1. MES-SA/Dx cells exhibit marked cross-resistance to a number of chemotherapeutic agents (including daunorubicin, dactinomycin, vincristine, taxol, colchicine) and moderate cross-resistance to mitomycin C and melphalan. 293T cells are human embryonic kidney cell line.

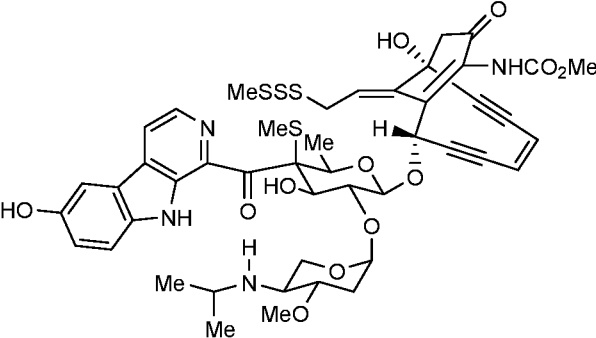
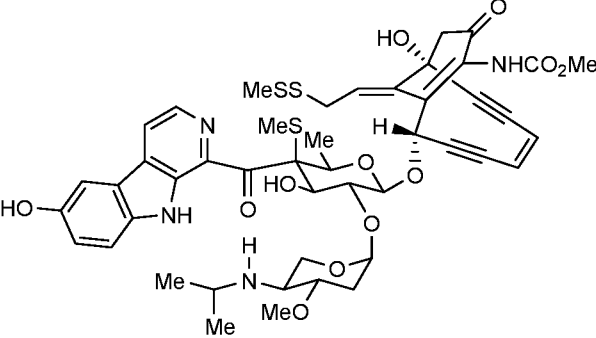
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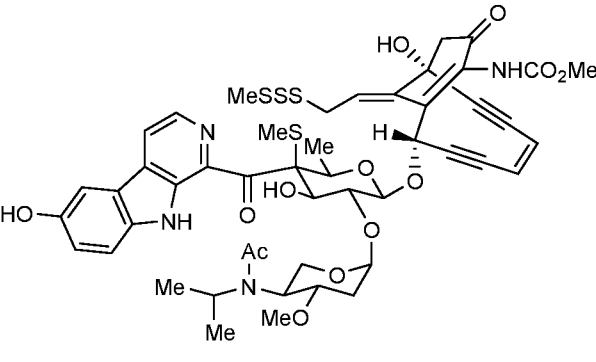
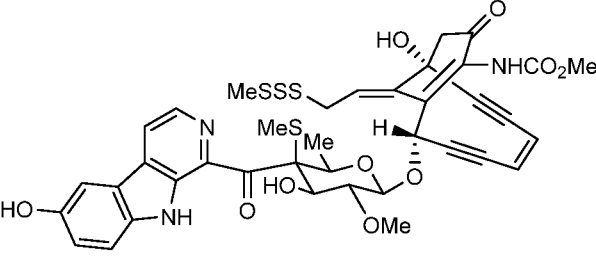
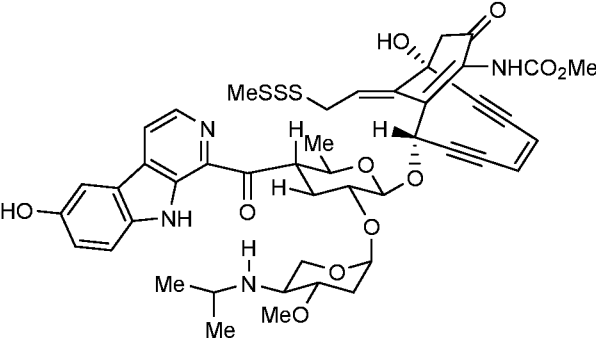
iii. Activity

The activity of the compounds is described in **FIGS. 2A-4C**. The IC₅₀ was determined for compounds: KCN-LL1, KCN-LL2, KCN-LL3, KCN-LL4, and KCN-LL5 and is shown in Table 1.

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Table 1: IC₅₀ of Compounds

Compound	MES SA (nM)	MES DX (nM)	293T (nM)
 <p>(KCN-LL1)</p>	0.01261	N/A	0.01623
 <p>(KCN-LL2)</p>	0.00067	34.64	0.001462

Compound	MES SA (nM)	MES DX (nM)	293T (nM)
 <p>(KCN-LL3)</p>	1.6	~500	1.5
 <p>(KCN-LL4)</p>	2.7	~500	1.9
 <p>(KCN-LL5)</p>	0.006	1.2	0.008
N-Ac Calicheamicin γ	0.02975	N/A	0.1515

All of the compositions and/or methods disclosed and claimed herein can be made and executed without undue experimentation in light of the present disclosure. While the compositions and methods of this invention have been described in terms of preferred embodiments, it will be apparent to those of skill in the art that variations may be applied to the compositions and/or methods and in the steps or in the sequence of steps of the method described herein without departing from the concept, spirit and scope of the invention. More specifically, it will be apparent that certain agents which are both chemically and physiologically related may be substituted for the agents described herein while the same or similar results would be achieved. All such similar substitutes and modifications apparent to those skilled in the art are deemed to be within the spirit, scope and concept of the invention as defined by the appended claims.

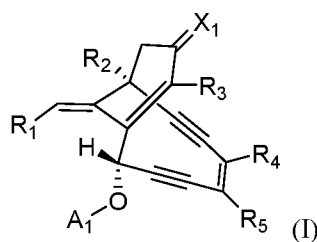
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What is Claimed Is:

1. A compound of the formula:



wherein:

5 R₁ is -alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃ or -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃; wherein:

A₃ is hydrogen or alkyl_(C≤12), cycloalkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), alkynyl_(C≤12), aryl_(C≤12), heteroaryl_(C≤12), aralkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; and

x is 1, 2, or 3;

10 R₂ is hydroxy, or alkoxy_(C≤8), acyloxy_(C≤8), or substituted version of either of these groups;

R₃ is NHC(Y₂)R₁₆, wherein:

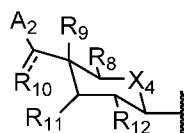
Y₂ is O, NH, or NOH; and

15 R₁₆ is alkoxy_(C≤8), alkenyloxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), or substituted version of any of these groups;

R₄ and R₅ are each independently selected from hydrogen and halo;

X₁ is O, S, or NH;

A₁ is -alkanediyl_(C≤12)-C(O)-A₂ or -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤12)-C(O)-A₂, or



20 wherein:

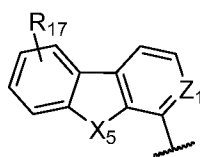
X₄ is -CH₂- or -O-;

R₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), cycloalkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), or substituted cycloalkyl_(C≤8);

R_9 is hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, mercapto, $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$,
 $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{alkylthio}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted
 $\text{alkylthio}_{(C\leq 8)}$;

R_{10} is hydroxy, oxo, or R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} and is $-\text{OCH}_2\text{A}_4\text{O}-$;
 provided that when R_{10} is oxo then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which
 it is bound are joined by a double bond, and when R_{10} is taken together
 with R_{11} then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined
 by a single bond;

wherein A_4 is $\text{aryl}_{(C\leq 12)}$ or substituted $\text{aryl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, or



wherein:

X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

R_{18} is hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$,
 $\text{acyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{acyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$;

Z_1 is CH or N; and

R_{17} is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo, or
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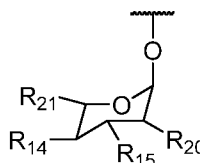
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R_{12} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, or

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$-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{NH}-\text{alkanediy}_{(C\leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C\leq 12)}$, or a substituted version
 of any of these groups; or



wherein:

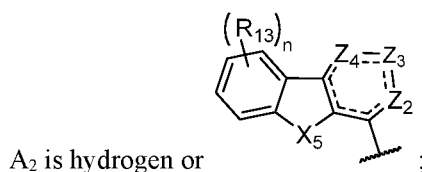
R₁₄ is amino or hydroxy; or alkoxy_(C≤12), alkylamino_(C≤12), dialkylamino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups, or -NR_aR_b, wherein:

5 R_a and R_b are each hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤12), substituted alkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), substituted alkenyl_(C≤12), -C(O)O-alkanediyl_(C≤6)-R_c, -C(O)-alkanediyl_(C≤6)-R_c, -alkanediyl_(C≤6)-R_c, or a substituted version of either of these group; wherein:

10 R_c is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxyl, acyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), alkylsulfonyl_(C≤8), arylsulfonyl_(C≤8), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R₁₅ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8);

15 R₂₀ and R₂₁ are hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8);



wherein:

X₅ is O, S, or NR₁₈; wherein:

20 R₁₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), acyl_(C≤8), or substituted acyl_(C≤8);

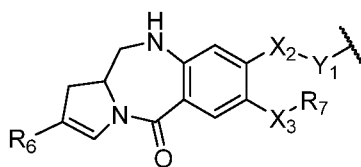
n is 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5;

Z₂, Z₃, and Z₄ are each independently N or CR₁₃; and

R₁₃ is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, nitro, or mercapto;

25 alkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), acyloxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups; or

A₁ is



wherein:

Y_1 is alkanediyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8);

X_2 and X_3 are each independently selected from $-O-$, $-S-$, or $-NR_{19}-$,

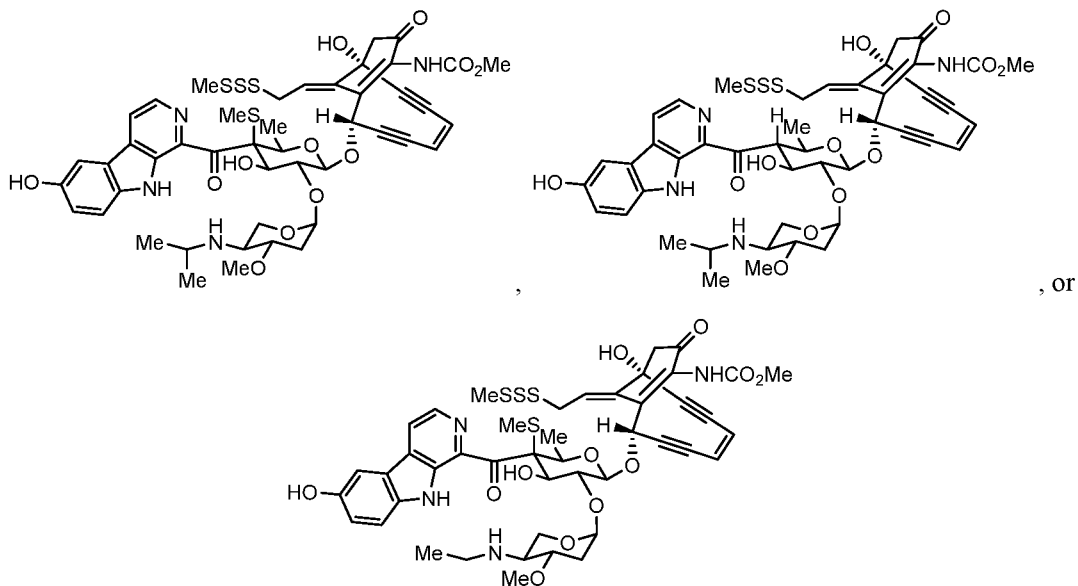
wherein:

R_{19} is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤6), or substituted alkyl_(C≤6);

R_6 is aryl_(C≤18), heteroaryl_(C≤18), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

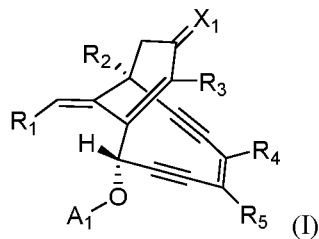
R_7 is alkyl_(C≤12) or substituted alkyl_(C≤12);

provided that the compound is not:



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

2. The compound of claim 1 further defined as:



wherein:

R_1 is $-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 8)}-(S)_x-A_3$ or $-\text{substituted alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 8)}-(S)_x-A_3$; wherein:

A_3 is hydrogen or $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{cycloalkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{alkenyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{alkynyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{aryl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{heteroaryl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{aralkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{acyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups; and

x is 1, 2, or 3;

R_2 is hydroxy, or $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{acyloxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted version of either of these groups;

R_3 is $\text{NHC}(Y_2)R_{16}$, wherein:

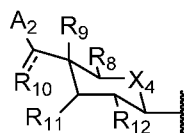
Y_2 is O, NH, or NOH; and

R_{16} is $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{alkylamino}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{dialkylamino}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted version of any of these groups;

R_4 and R_5 are each independently selected from hydrogen and halo;

X_1 is O, S, or NH;

A_1 is $-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 12)}-C(O)-A_2$ or $-\text{substituted alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 12)}-C(O)-A_2$, or



wherein:

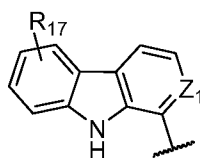
X_4 is $-\text{CH}_2-$ or $-\text{O}-$;

R_8 is hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{cycloalkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{cycloalkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$;

R_9 is hydrogen, hydroxy, mercapto, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{alkylthio}_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkylthio}_{(C \leq 8)}$;

R_{10} is oxo or R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} and is $-\text{OCHA}_4\text{O}-$; provided that when R_{10} is oxo then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a double bond, and when R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a single bond;

wherein A_4 is $\text{aryl}_{(C \leq 12)}$ or substituted $\text{aryl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or



wherein:

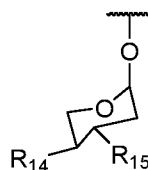
Z_1 is CH or N; and

5 R_{17} is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo, or nitro; or $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R_{11} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$;

R_{12} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or

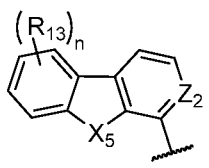
10 $-\text{O}-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C \leq 12)}$,
 $-\text{OC}(\text{O})-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or
 $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{NH}-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups; or



wherein:

15 R_{14} is amino or hydroxy; or $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{alkylamino}_{(C \leq 12)}$, dialkylamino $_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups;

R_{15} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$;



A_2 is hydrogen or

wherein:

20 X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

R_{18} is hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{acyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{acyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$;

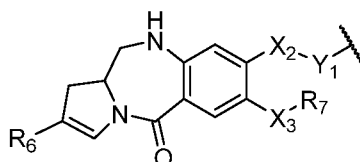
n is 1, 2, 3, or 4;

Z_2 is N or CH; and

R_{13} is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro;

alkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), acyloxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups; or

5 A_1 is



wherein:

Y_1 is alkanediyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8);

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X_2 and X_3 are each independently selected from $-O-$, $-S-$, or $-NR_{19}-$,
wherein:

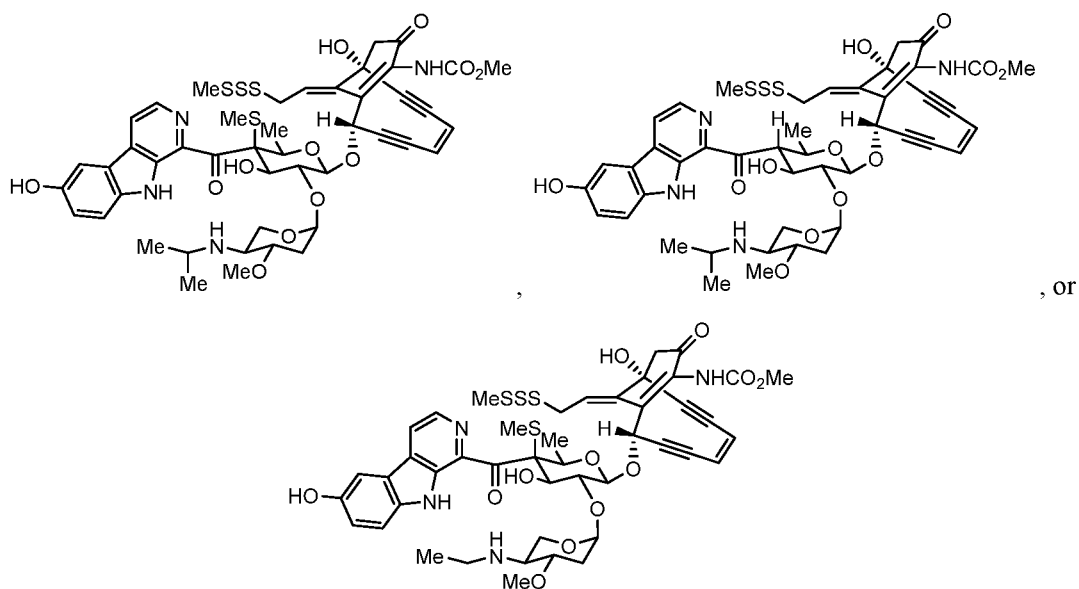
R_{19} is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤6), or substituted alkyl_(C≤6);

R_6 is aryl_(C≤18), heteroaryl_(C≤18), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R_7 is alkyl_(C≤12) or substituted alkyl_(C≤12);

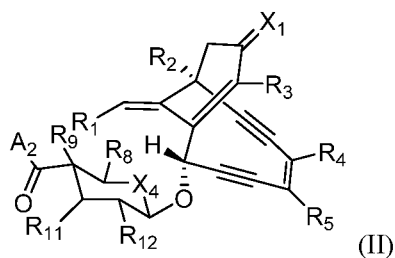
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provided that the compound is not:



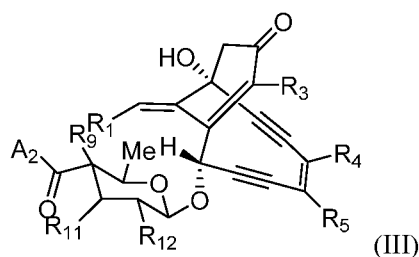
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

3. The compound of claim 1 or claim 2, wherein the compound is further defined as:



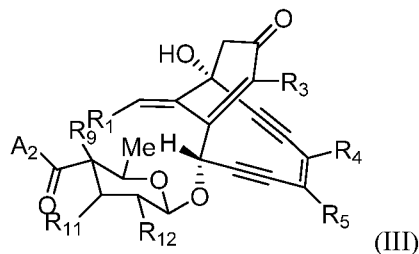
wherein: X₁, X₄, R₁, R₂, R₃, R₄, R₅, R₈, R₉, R₁₁, R₁₂, and A₂ are as defined above.

4. The compound according to any one of claims 1-3, wherein the compound is further defined as:



wherein: R₁, R₃, R₄, R₅, R₉, R₁₁, R₁₂, and A₂ are as defined above.

5. The compound according to any one of claims 1-4, wherein the compound is further defined as:



wherein:

R₁ is -alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃ or -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃; wherein:

A₃ is alkyl_(C≤12), cycloalkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; and

x is 1, 2, or 3;

R₃ is NHC(O)R₁₆, wherein:

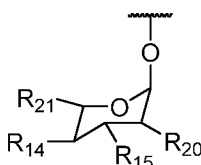
R₁₆ is alkoxy_(C≤8), alkenyloxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), or substituted version of any of these groups;

R_4 and R_5 are each independently selected from hydrogen and halo;

R_9 is hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, mercapto, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylthio_(C≤8), substituted alkylthio_(C≤8);

R_{11} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8);

5 R_{12} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or



wherein:

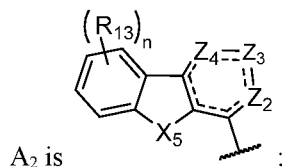
R_{14} is amino or hydroxy; or alkoxy_(C≤12), alkylamino_(C≤12), dialkyl-amino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups, or $-NR_aR_b$, wherein:

10 R_a and R_b are each hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤12), substituted alkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), substituted alkenyl_(C≤12), $-C(O)O$ -alkanediyl_(C≤6)- R_c , $-C(O)$ -alkanediyl_(C≤6)- R_c , $-alkanediyl$ _(C≤6)- R_c , or a substituted version of either of these group; wherein:

15 R_c is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxyl, acyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), alkylsulfonyl_(C≤8), arylsulfonyl_(C≤8), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R_{15} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8);

20 R_{20} and R_{21} are hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8);



wherein:

X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

25 R_{18} is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), acyl_(C≤8), or substituted acyl_(C≤8);

n is 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5;

Z₂, Z₃, and Z₄ are each independently N or CR₁₃; and

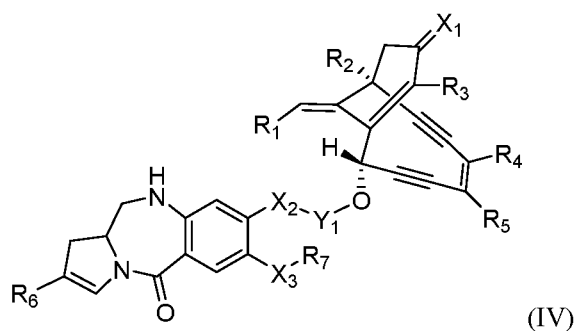
R₁₃ is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, nitro, or mercapto;

alkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), acyloxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of

5 either of these groups; or

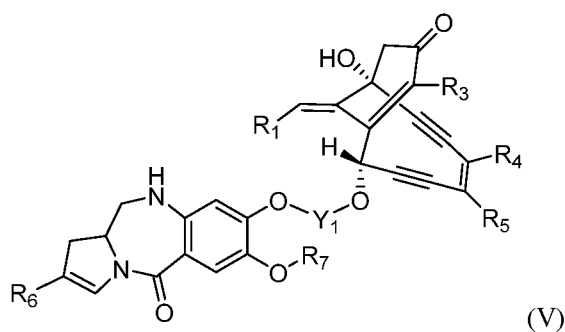
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

6. The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound is further defined as:



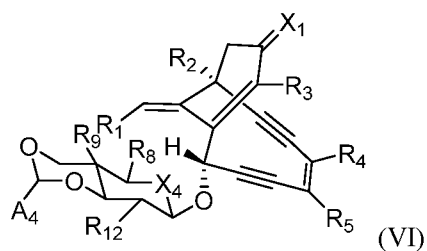
wherein: X₁, X₂, X₃, R₁, R₂, R₃, R₄, R₅, R₆, R₇, and Y₁ are as defined above.

10 7. The compound according to any one of claims 1, 2, and 6, wherein the compound is further defined as:



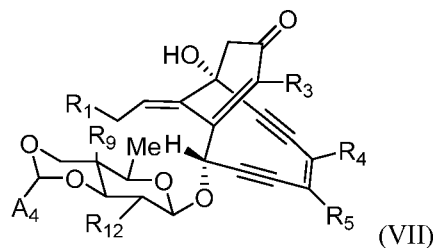
wherein: R₁, R₂, R₃, R₄, R₅, R₆, R₇, and Y₁ are as defined above.

8. The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound is further defined as:



wherein: X₁, X₄, R₁, R₂, R₃, R₄, R₅, R₈, R₉, R₁₂, and A₃ are as defined above.

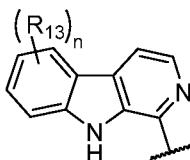
9. The compound according to any one of claims 1, 2, and 8, wherein the compound is further defined as:



wherein: R₁, R₃, R₄, R₅, R₉, R₁₂, and A₃ are as defined above.

- 5 10. The compound according to any one of claims 1-9, wherein R₁ is -alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃,
wherein:
- A₃ is hydrogen,
alkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), alkynyl_(C≤12), aryl_(C≤12), heteroaryl_(C≤12), aralkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12),
or a substituted version of any of these groups; and
- 10 x is 2 or 3.
11. The compound of claim 10, wherein the alkanediyl_(C≤8) is -CH₂-.
12. The compound of either claim 10 or claim 11, wherein A₃ is alkyl_(C≤12) or substituted alkyl_(C≤12).
13. The compound of claim 12, wherein A₃ is methyl.
- 15 14. The compound of either claim 10 or claim 11, wherein A₃ is acyl_(C≤12) or substituted acyl_(C≤12).
15. The compound of claim 14, wherein A₃ is acetyl.
16. The compound according to any one of claims 10-13, wherein x is 2.
17. The compound according to any one of claims 10-13, wherein x is 3.
18. The compound according to any one of claims 1, 3, 6, 8, and 10-17, wherein R₂ is hydroxy.
- 20 19. The compound according to any one of claims 1-18, wherein R₃ is NHC(O)R₁₆, wherein: R₁₆ is alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), or substituted version of any of these groups.
20. The compound of claim 19, wherein R₁₆ is alkoxy_(C≤8) or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8).
21. The compound of claim 20, wherein R₁₆ is alkoxy_(C≤8).
22. The compound of claim 21, wherein R₁₆ is methoxy or ethoxy.
- 25 23. The compound according to any one of claims 1-18, wherein R₃ is NHC(NH)R₁₆, wherein: R₁₆ is alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), or substituted version of any of these groups.

24. The compound of claim 23, wherein R_{16} is alkylamino_(C≤8) or substituted alkylamino_(C≤8).
25. The compound of claim 24, wherein R_{16} is alkylamino_(C≤8).
26. The compound of claim 25, wherein R_{16} is methylamino.
27. The compound according to any one of claims 1-26, wherein R_4 is hydrogen.
- 5 28. The compound according to any one of claims 1-26, wherein R_4 is halo.
29. The compound of claim 28, wherein R_4 is fluoro.
30. The compound according to any one of claims 1-26, wherein R_5 is hydrogen.
31. The compound according to any one of claims 1-26, wherein R_5 is halo.
32. The compound of claim 28, wherein R_5 is fluoro.
- 10 33. The compound according to any one of claims 1, 3, 6, 8, 10-32, wherein X_1 is O.
34. The compound of claim 1, wherein A_1 is $-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C≤12)}-\text{C(O)}-A_2$ or $-\text{substituted alkanediyl}_{(C≤12)}-\text{C(O)}-A_2$.
35. The compound of claim 34, wherein the $\text{alkanediyl}_{(C≤12)}$ or substituted $\text{alkanediyl}_{(C≤12)}$ of A_1 is $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$.
- 15 36. The compound of claim 34 or claim 35, wherein A_2 is:

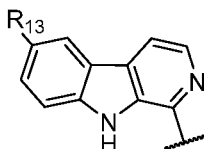


wherein:

n is 1 or 2; and

20 R_{13} is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro; or alkyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups.

37. The compound of claim 36, wherein n is 1.
38. The compound of claim 36 or claim 37, wherein A_2 is further defined as:

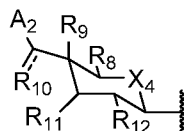


wherein:

R_{13} is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro; or $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups.

39. The compound according to any one of claims 36-38, wherein R_{13} is hydroxy.

40. The compound according to either claim 1 or claim 2, wherein A_1 is:



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wherein:

X_4 is $-\text{CH}_2-$ or $-\text{O}-$;

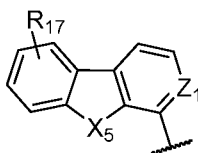
R_8 is hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{cycloalkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{cycloalkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$;

10 R_9 is hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, mercapto, $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{alkylthio}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkylthio}_{(C\leq 8)}$;

R_{10} is hydroxy, oxo, or R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} and is $-\text{OCH}_2\text{O}-$; provided that when R_{10} is oxo then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a double bond, and when R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a single bond;

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wherein A_4 is $\text{aryl}_{(C\leq 12)}$ or substituted $\text{aryl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, or



wherein:

X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

20 R_{18} is hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, $\text{acyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{acyl}_{(C\leq 8)}$;

Z_1 is CR_{17} or N; and

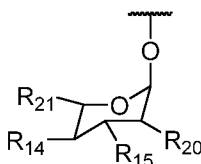
R_{17} is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo, or nitro; or $\text{alkyl}_{(C\leq 12)}$, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups;

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R_{11} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C\leq 8)}$;

R_{12} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy ($C_{\leq 8}$), substituted alkoxy ($C_{\leq 8}$), or

$-O$ -alkanediyl($C_{\leq 8}$)-alkylamino($C_{\leq 12}$), $-OC(O)$ -alkanediyl($C_{\leq 8}$)-alkylamino($C_{\leq 12}$), or
 $-OC(O)NH$ -alkanediyl($C_{\leq 8}$)-alkylamino($C_{\leq 12}$), or a substituted version of any of
 these groups; or



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wherein:

R_{14} is amino or hydroxy; or alkoxy ($C_{\leq 12}$), alkylamino ($C_{\leq 12}$), dialkyl-amino ($C_{\leq 12}$),
 or a substituted version of any of these groups, or $-NR_aR_b$, wherein:

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R_a and R_b are each hydrogen, alkyl ($C_{\leq 12}$), substituted alkyl ($C_{\leq 12}$),
 alkenyl ($C_{\leq 12}$), substituted alkenyl ($C_{\leq 12}$),
 $-C(O)O$ -alkanediyl($C_{\leq 6}$)- R_c , $-C(O)$ -alkanediyl($C_{\leq 6}$)- R_c ,
 $-alkanediyl(C_{\leq 6})-R_c$, or a substituted version of either of these
 group; wherein:

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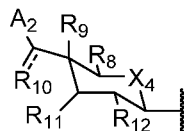
R_c is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxyl, acyl ($C_{\leq 8}$),
 alkoxy ($C_{\leq 8}$), alkylamino ($C_{\leq 8}$), dialkylamino ($C_{\leq 8}$),
 alkylsulfonyl ($C_{\leq 8}$), arylsulfonyl ($C_{\leq 8}$), or a substituted
 version of either of these groups;

R_{15} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy ($C_{\leq 8}$), or substituted alkoxy ($C_{\leq 8}$);

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R_{20} and R_{21} are hydrogen, alkyl ($C_{\leq 8}$), substituted alkyl ($C_{\leq 8}$), alkoxy ($C_{\leq 8}$), or
 substituted alkoxy ($C_{\leq 8}$).

41. The compound of claim 40, wherein A_1 is:



wherein:

X_4 is $-CH_2-$ or $-O-$;

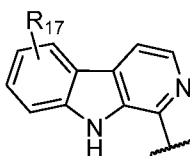
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R_8 is hydrogen, alkyl ($C_{\leq 8}$), or substituted alkyl ($C_{\leq 8}$);

R_9 is hydrogen, alkoxy ($C_{\leq 8}$), substituted alkoxy ($C_{\leq 8}$), alkylthio ($C_{\leq 8}$), substituted
 alkylthio ($C_{\leq 8}$);

R_{10} is oxo or R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} and is $-\text{OCHA}_4\text{O}-$; provided that when R_{10} is oxo then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a double bond, and when R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a single bond;

5 wherein A_4 is $\text{aryl}_{(C \leq 12)}$ or substituted $\text{aryl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or



wherein:

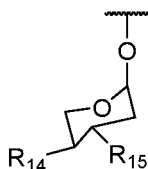
R_{17} is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo,

10 $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R_{11} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$;

R_{12} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or

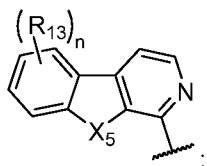
15 $-\text{O}-\text{alkanediy}_{(C \leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $-\text{OC}(\text{O})-\text{alkanediy}_{(C \leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{NH}-\text{alkanediy}_{(C \leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups; or



wherein:

R_{14} is $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{alkylamino}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or $\text{dialkylamino}_{(C \leq 12)}$;

R_{15} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$;



20 A_2 is ;

wherein:

X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

R_{18} is hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, $\text{acyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{acyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$;

n is 1, 2, 3, or 4;

R_{13} is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro;

5 $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups.

42. The compound of claim 41, wherein X_4 is $-\text{O}-$.

43. The compound of claim 41, wherein X_4 is $-\text{CH}_2-$.

44. The compound according to any one of claims 41-43, wherein R_8 is hydrogen.

10 45. The compound according to any one of claims 41-43, wherein R_8 is $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$ or substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$.

46. The compound of claim 45, wherein R_8 is methyl.

47. The compound according to any one of claims 41-46, wherein R_9 is hydrogen.

48. The compound according to any one of claims 41-46, wherein R_9 is $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$ or substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 8)}$.

15 49. The compound of claim 48, wherein R_9 is methoxy.

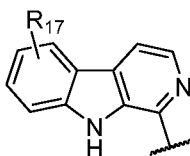
50. The compound according to any one of claims 41-46, wherein R_9 is $\text{alkylthio}_{(C \leq 8)}$ or substituted $\text{alkylthio}_{(C \leq 8)}$.

51. The compound of claim 50, wherein R_9 is $-\text{SCH}_3$.

52. The compound according to any one of claims 41-51, wherein R_{10} is oxo.

20 53. The compound according to any one of claims 41-51, wherein R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} and is $-\text{OCHA}_4\text{O}-$, wherein:

A_4 is $\text{aryl}_{(C \leq 12)}$ or substituted $\text{aryl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or

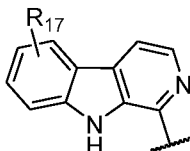


wherein:

25 R_{17} is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo, or nitro; or $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups.

54. The compound of claim 53, wherein A_4 is $\text{aryl}_{(C \leq 12)}$ or substituted $\text{aryl}_{(C \leq 12)}$.

55. The compound of claim 54, wherein A₄ is aryl_(C≤12).
56. The compound of claim 55, wherein A₄ is phenyl.
57. The compound of claim 54, wherein A₄ is substituted aryl_(C≤12).
58. The compound of claim 57, wherein A₄ is 4-hydroxyphenyl.
59. The compound of claim 53, wherein A₄ is:

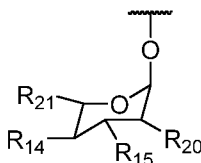


wherein:

R₁₇ is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo, or nitro; or alkyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups.

60. The compound of claim 59, wherein R₁₇ is hydroxy.
61. The compound according to any one of claims 41-52, wherein R₁₁ is hydrogen.
62. The compound according to any one of claims 41-52, wherein R₁₁ is hydroxy.
63. The compound according to any one of claims 41-62, wherein R₁₂ is hydrogen.
64. The compound according to any one of claims 41-62, wherein R₁₂ is alkoxy_(C≤8) or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8).
65. The compound of claim 64, wherein R₁₂ is methoxy.
66. The compound according to any one of claims 41-62, wherein R₁₂ is -O-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12) or a substituted version thereof.
67. The compound of claim 66, wherein the alkanediyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8) of R₁₂ is -CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂-.
68. The compound of either claim 66 or claim 67, wherein the alkylamino_(C≤12) or substituted alkylamino_(C≤12) of R₁₂ is -NHCH(CH₃)₂.
69. The compound according to any one of claims 66-68, wherein R₁₂ is -OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂NHCH(CH₃)₂.
70. The compound according to any one of claims 41-62, wherein R₁₂ is -OC(O)-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12) or a substituted version thereof.
71. The compound of claim 70, wherein the alkanediyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8) of R₁₂ is -CH₂CH₂CH₂-.

72. The compound of claim 70 or claim 71, wherein the alkylamino_(C≤12) or substituted alkylamino_(C≤12) of R₁₂ is -NHCH(CH₃)₂.
73. The compound according to any one of claims 70-72, wherein R₁₂ is -OC(O)CH₂CH₂CH₂NHCH(CH₃)₂.
- 5 74. The compound according to any one of claims 41-62, wherein R₁₂ is -OC(O)NH-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12) or a substituted version thereof.
75. The compound of claim 70, wherein the alkanediyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8) of R₁₂ is -CH₂CH₂-.
76. The compound of either claim 74 or claim 75, wherein the alkylamino_(C≤12) or substituted
10 alkylamino_(C≤12) of R₁₂ is -NHCH(CH₃)₂.
77. The compound according to any one of claims 74-76, wherein R₁₂ is -OC(O)NHCH₂CH₂NHCH(CH₃)₂.
78. The compound according to any one of claims 41-62, wherein R₁₂ is:



15 wherein:

R₁₄ is amino or hydroxy; or alkoxy_(C≤12), alkylamino_(C≤12), dialkyl-amino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups, or -NR_aR_b, wherein:

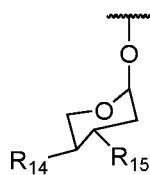
R_a and R_b are each hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤12), substituted alkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12),
substituted alkenyl_(C≤12), -C(O)O-alkanediyl_(C≤6)-R_c,
20 -C(O)-alkanediyl_(C≤6)-R_c, -alkanediyl_(C≤6)-R_c, or a substituted
version of either of these group; wherein:

R_c is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxyl, acyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8),
alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), alkylsulfonyl_(C≤8),
arylsulfonyl_(C≤8), or a substituted version of either of these
25 groups;

R₁₅ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8); and

R₂₀ and R₂₁ are hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted
alkoxy_(C≤8).

79. The compound of claim 78, wherein R₁₂ is:



wherein:

R₁₄ is amino or hydroxy; or alkoxy_(C≤12), alkylamino_(C≤12), dialkylamino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; and

5 R₁₅ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8).

80. The compound of claim 79, wherein R₁₄ is alkylamino_(C≤12) or substituted alkylamino_(C≤12).

81. The compound of claim 80, wherein R₁₄ is isopropylamino.

82. The compound of claim 79, wherein R₁₄ is alkoxy_(C≤12) or substituted alkoxy_(C≤12).

83. The compound of claim 82, wherein R₁₄ is isopropoxy.

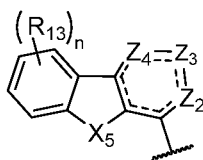
10 84. The compound according to any one claims 79-83, wherein R₁₅ is hydrogen.

85. The compound according to any one of claims 79-83, wherein R₁₅ is alkoxy_(C≤8) or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8).

86. The compound of claim 85, wherein R₁₅ is methoxy.

87. The compound according to any one of claims 41-86, wherein A₂ is hydrogen.

15 88. The compound according to any one of claims 41-86, wherein A₂ is further defined as:



wherein:

X₅ is O, S, or NR₁₈; wherein:

20 R₁₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), acyl_(C≤8), or substituted acyl_(C≤8);

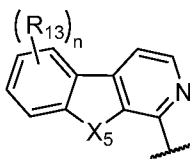
n is 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5;

Z₂, Z₃, and Z₄ are each independently N or CR₁₃; and

R₁₃ is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, nitro, or mercapto;

25 alkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), acyloxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups.

89. The compound of claim 88, wherein A₂ is:



wherein:

X₅ is O, S, or NR₁₈; wherein:

- 5 R₁₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), acyl_(C≤8), or substituted acyl_(C≤8);

n is 1, 2, 3, or 4;

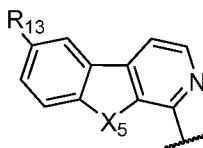
- R₁₃ is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro; or alkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), acyloxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups.
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90. The compound of either claim 88 or claim 89, wherein n is 1, 2, or 3.

91. The compound of claim 90, wherein n is 1.

92. The compound of claim 90, wherein n is 2.

93. The compound according to any one of claims 88-91, wherein A₂ is further defined as:



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wherein:

X₅ is O, S, or NR₁₈; wherein:

R₁₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), acyl_(C≤8), or substituted acyl_(C≤8); and

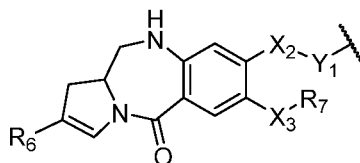
- 20 R₁₃ is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro; or alkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), acyloxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups.

94. The compound according to any one of claims 88-93, wherein X₅ is O.

95. The compound according to any one of claims 88-93, wherein X₅ is NR₁₈.

- 25 96. The compound of claim 95, wherein R₁₈ is hydrogen.

97. The compound according to any one of claims 88-96, wherein R_{13} is hydrogen.
98. The compound according to any one of claims 88-96, wherein R_{13} is amino.
99. The compound according to any one of claims 88-96, wherein R_{13} is carboxy.
100. The compound according to any one of claims 88-96, wherein R_{13} is hydrazino.
- 5 101. The compound according to any one of claims 88-96, wherein R_{13} is hydroxy.
102. The compound according to any one of claims 88-96, wherein R_{13} is halo.
103. The compound of claim 102, wherein R_{13} is fluoro.
104. The compound of claim 103, wherein R_{13} is iodo.
105. The compound according to any one of claims 88-96, wherein R_{13} is $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$ or substituted
10 $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$.
106. The compound of claim 105, wherein R_{13} is $\text{haloalkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$.
107. The compound of claim 106, wherein R_{13} is trifluoromethyl.
108. The compound according to any one of claims 88-96, wherein R_{13} is $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 12)}$ or substituted
 $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 12)}$.
- 15 109. The compound of claim 108, wherein R_{13} is $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 12)}$.
110. The compound of claim 109, wherein R_{13} is methoxy.
111. The compound of claim 108, wherein R_{13} is substituted $\text{alkoxy}_{(C \leq 12)}$.
112. The compound of claim 111, wherein R_{13} is 2-aminoethoxy, 2-methylaminoethoxy, 2-
azidoethoxy, carboxymethoxy, or carboxyethoxy.
- 20 113. The compound according to any one of claims 88-96, wherein R_{13} is $\text{acyloxy}_{(C \leq 12)}$ or substituted
 $\text{acyloxy}_{(C \leq 12)}$.
114. The compound of claim 113, wherein R_{13} is $\text{acyloxy}_{(C \leq 12)}$.
115. The compound of claim 114, wherein R_{13} is acetoxy.
116. The compound according to any one of claims 1, 6, 7, and 10-39, wherein A_1 is:



wherein:

Y_1 is $\text{alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$ or substituted $\text{alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$;

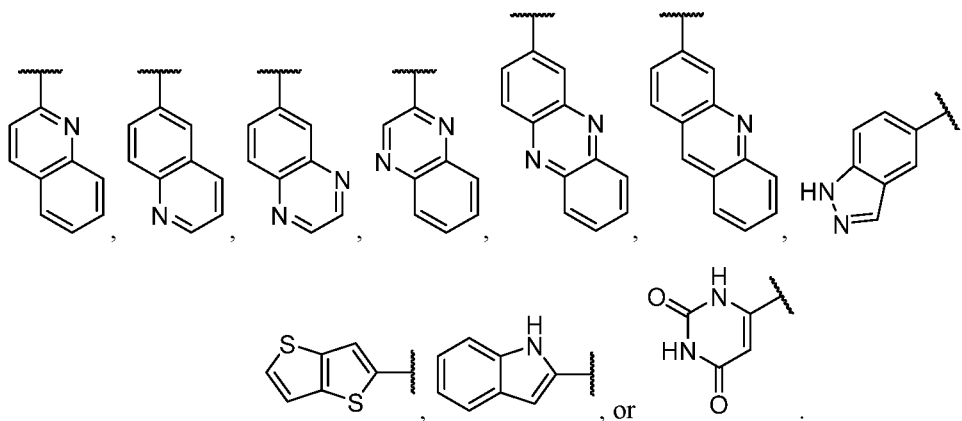
X_2 and X_3 are each independently selected from $-O-$, $-S-$, or $-NR_{19}-$, wherein:

R_{19} is hydrogen, $alkyl_{(C\leq 6)}$, or substituted $alkyl_{(C\leq 6)}$;

R_6 is $aryl_{(C\leq 18)}$, $heteroaryl_{(C\leq 18)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups;

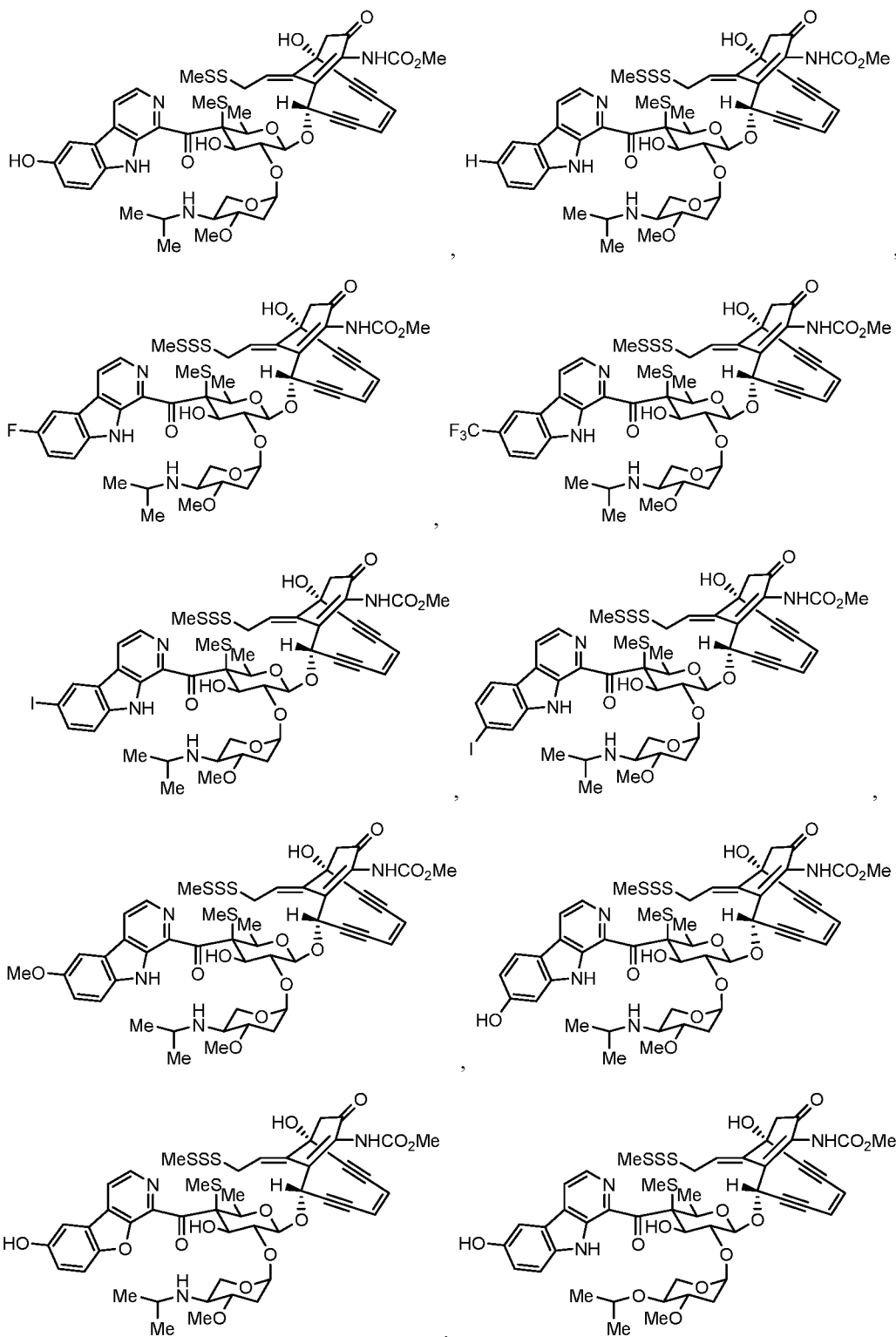
R_7 is $alkyl_{(C\leq 12)}$ or substituted $alkyl_{(C\leq 12)}$.

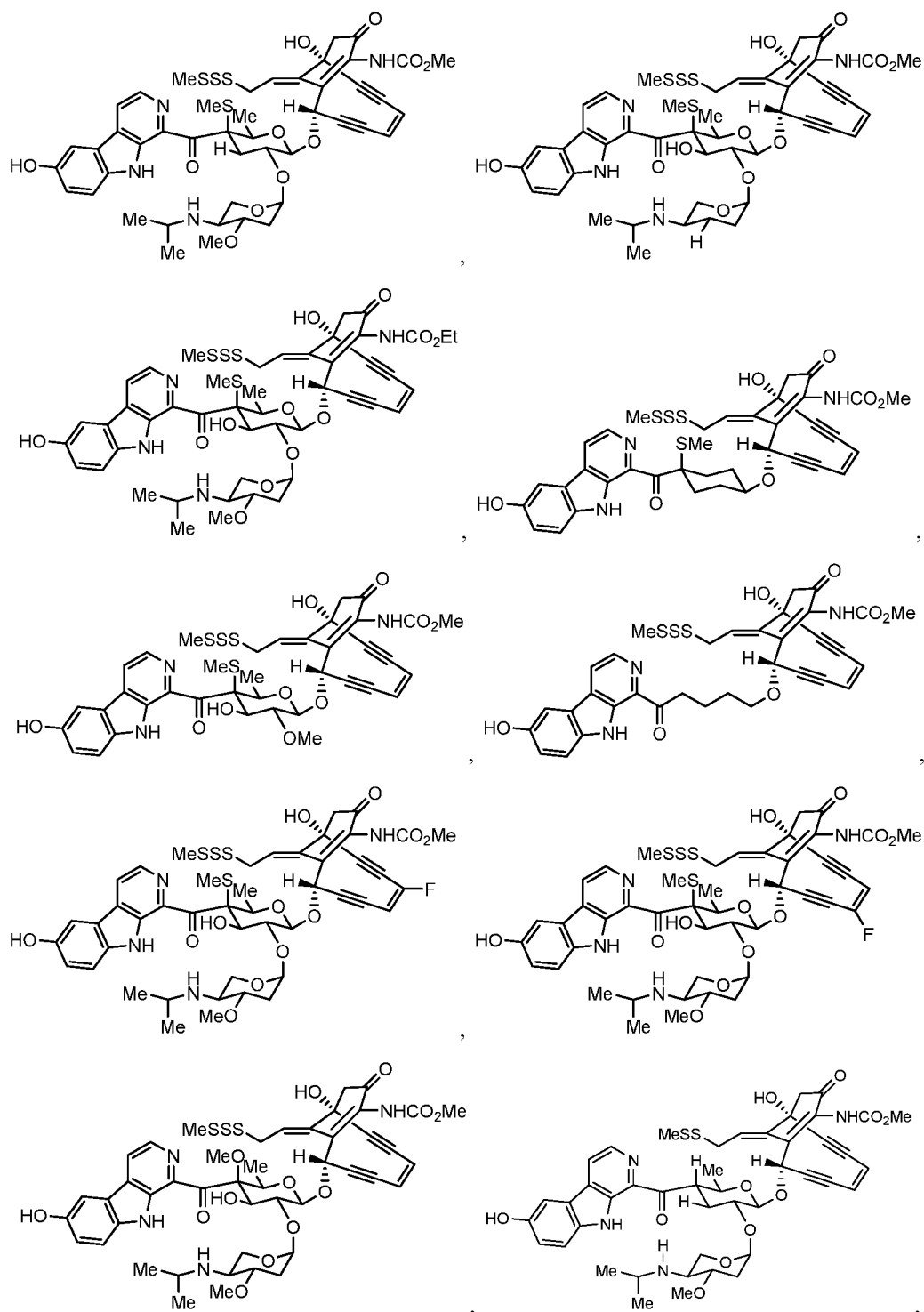
117. The compound of claim 116, wherein Y_1 is $alkanediy_{(C\leq 8)}$.
118. The compound of claim 117, wherein Y_1 is $-CH_2CH_2-$, $-CH_2CH_2CH_2-$, $-CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2-$, $-CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2-$, $-CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2-$, or $-CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2-$.
119. The compound according to any one of claims 116-118, wherein X_2 is $-O-$.
120. The compound according to any one of claims 116-119, wherein X_3 is $-O-$.
121. The compound according to any one of claims 116-120, wherein R_6 is $aryl_{(C\leq 18)}$ or substituted $aryl_{(C\leq 18)}$.
122. The compound of claim 121, wherein R_6 is 4-methoxyphenyl or 5-iodo-2,3,4-trimethoxy-6-methylphenyl.
123. The compound according to any one of claims 116-120, wherein R_6 is $heteroaryl_{(C\leq 18)}$ or substituted $heteroaryl_{(C\leq 18)}$.
124. The compound of claim 123, wherein R_6 is:

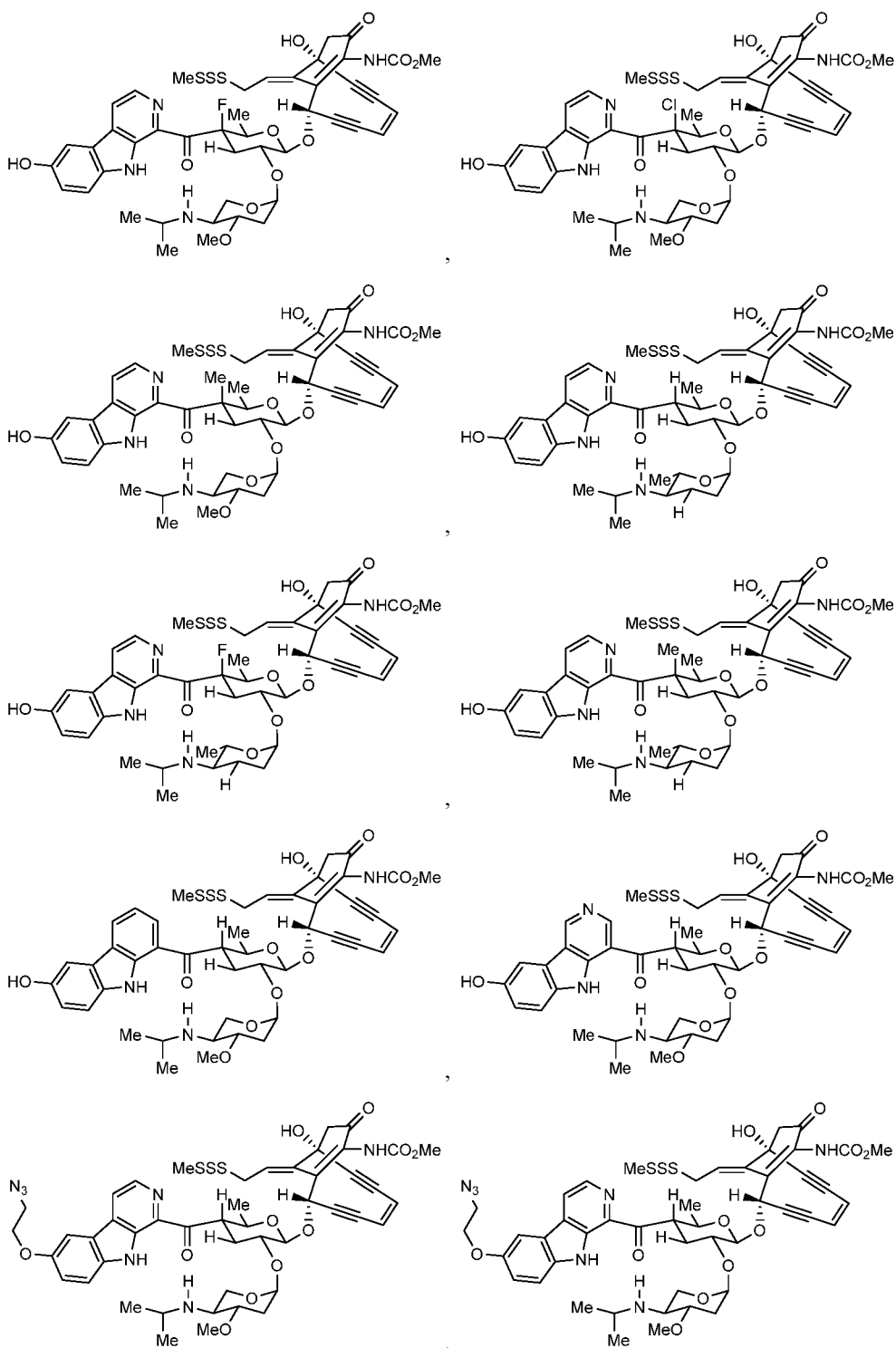


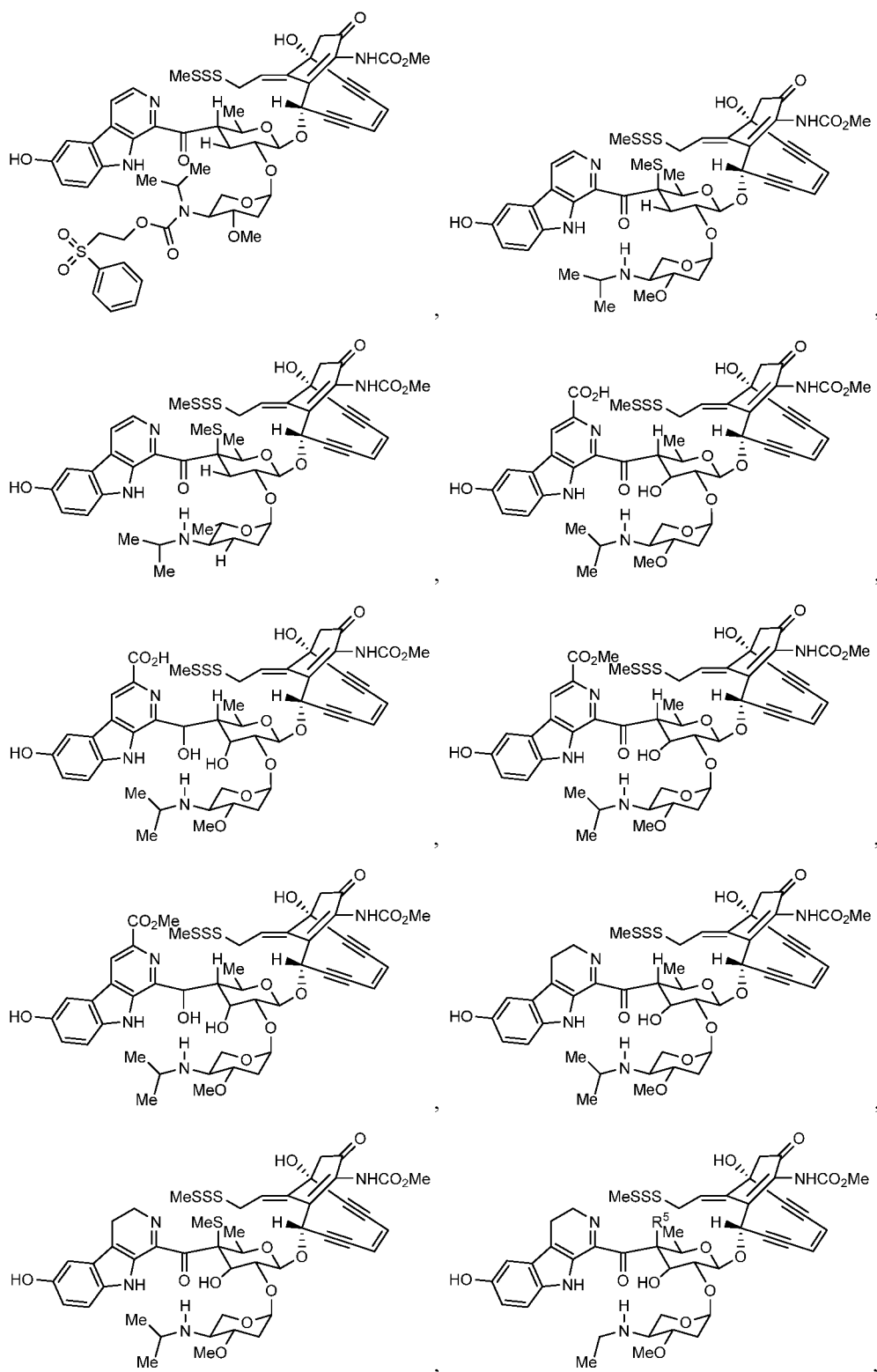
125. The compound according to any one of claims 116-124, wherein R_7 is $alkyl_{(C\leq 12)}$.
126. The compound according to any one of claims 116-124, wherein R_7 is substituted $alkyl_{(C\leq 12)}$.
127. The compound of claim 126, wherein R_7 is 2-hydroxyethyl, 3-hydroxypropyl, 4-hydroxybutyl, 5-hydroxypentyl, or 6-hydroxyhexyl.

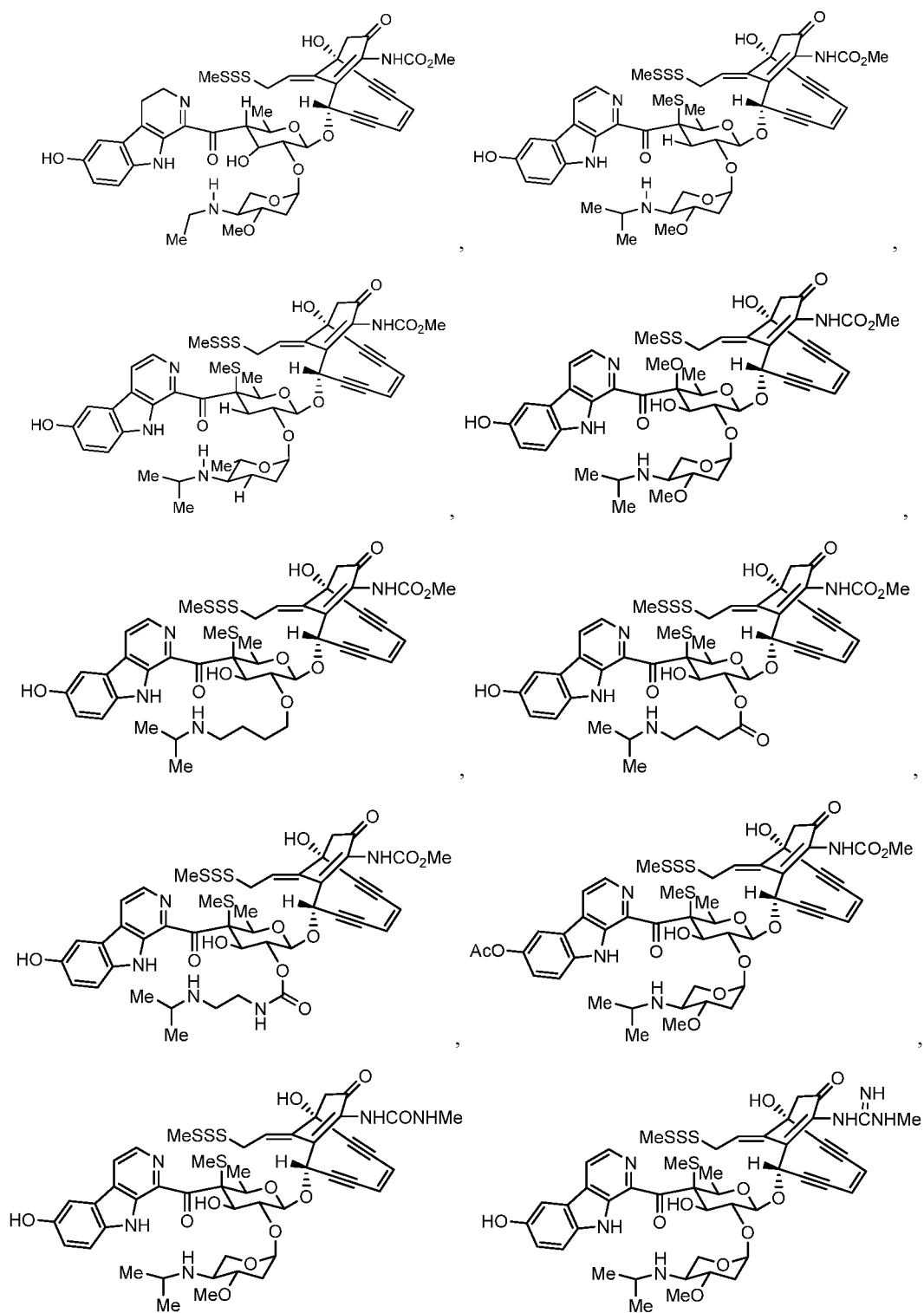
128. The compound according to any one of claims 1-127, wherein the compound is further defined as:

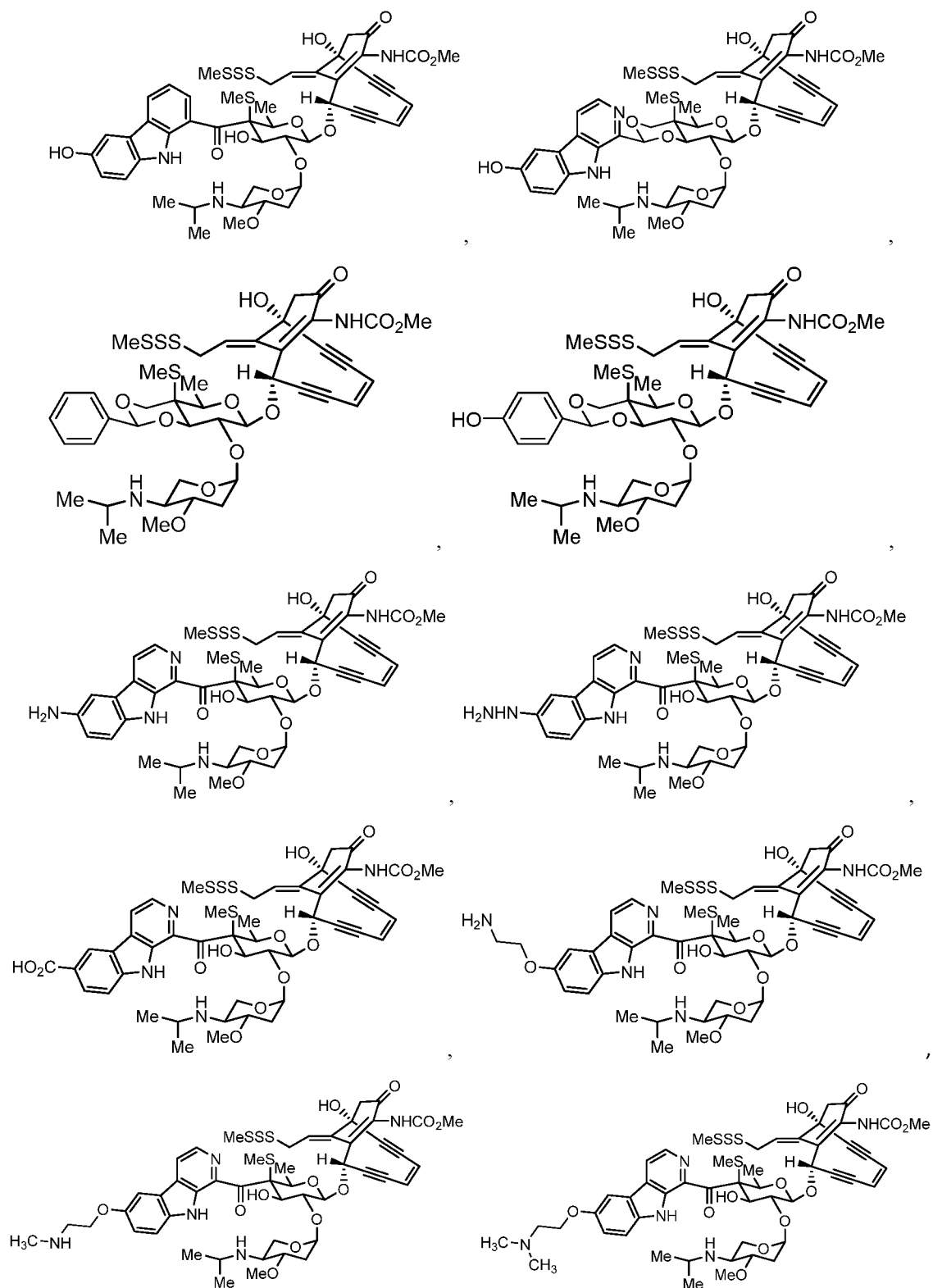


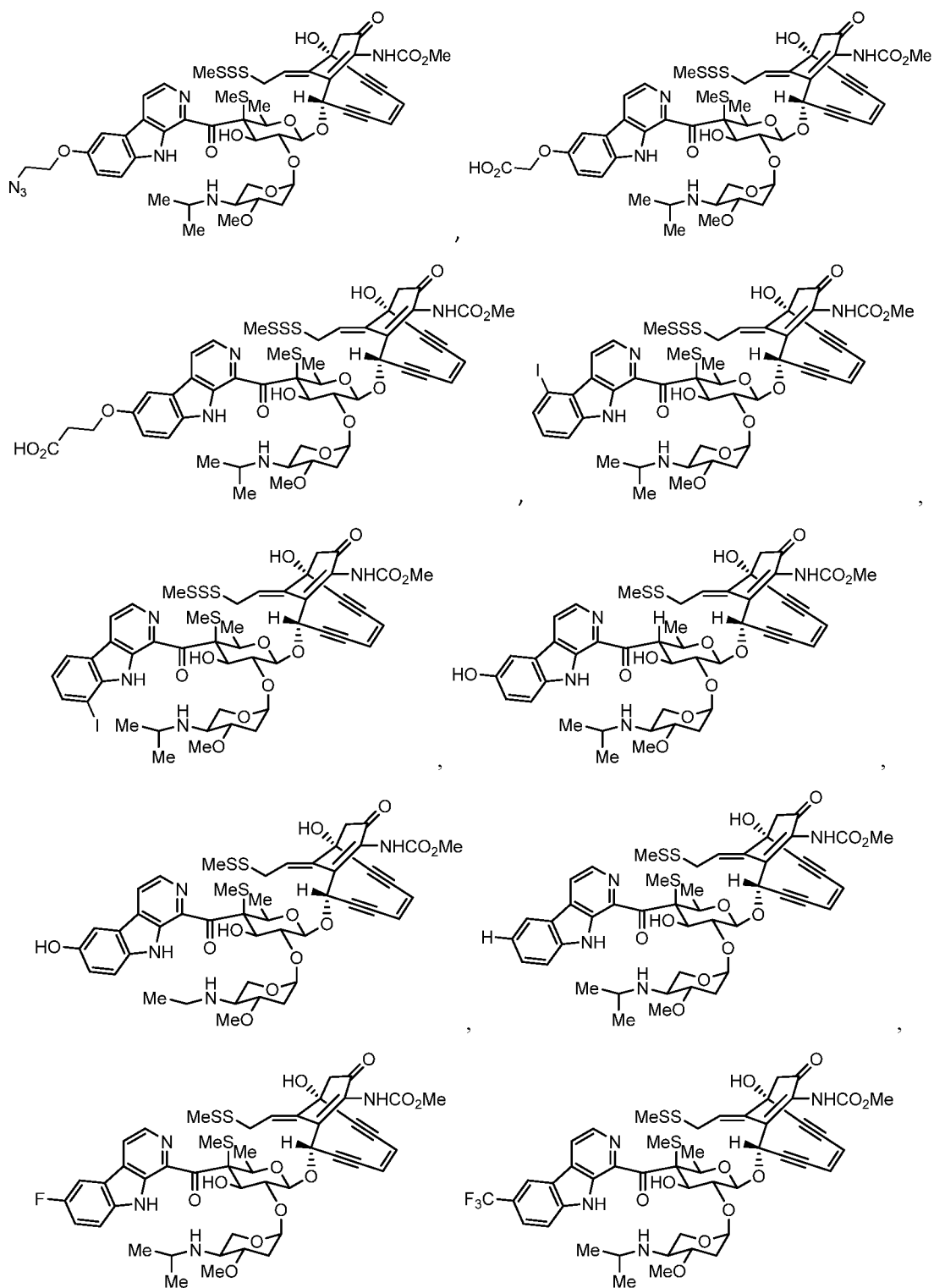


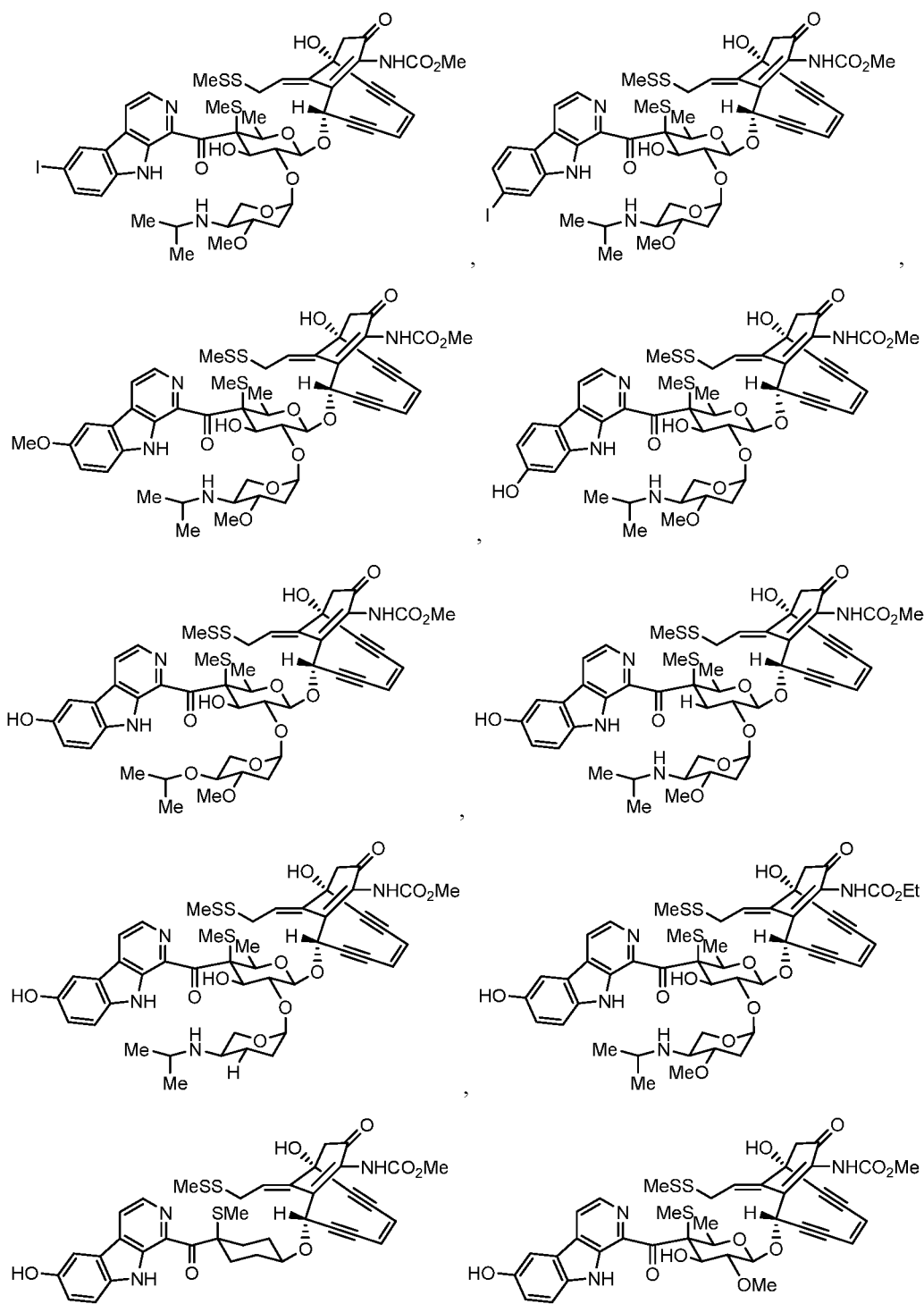


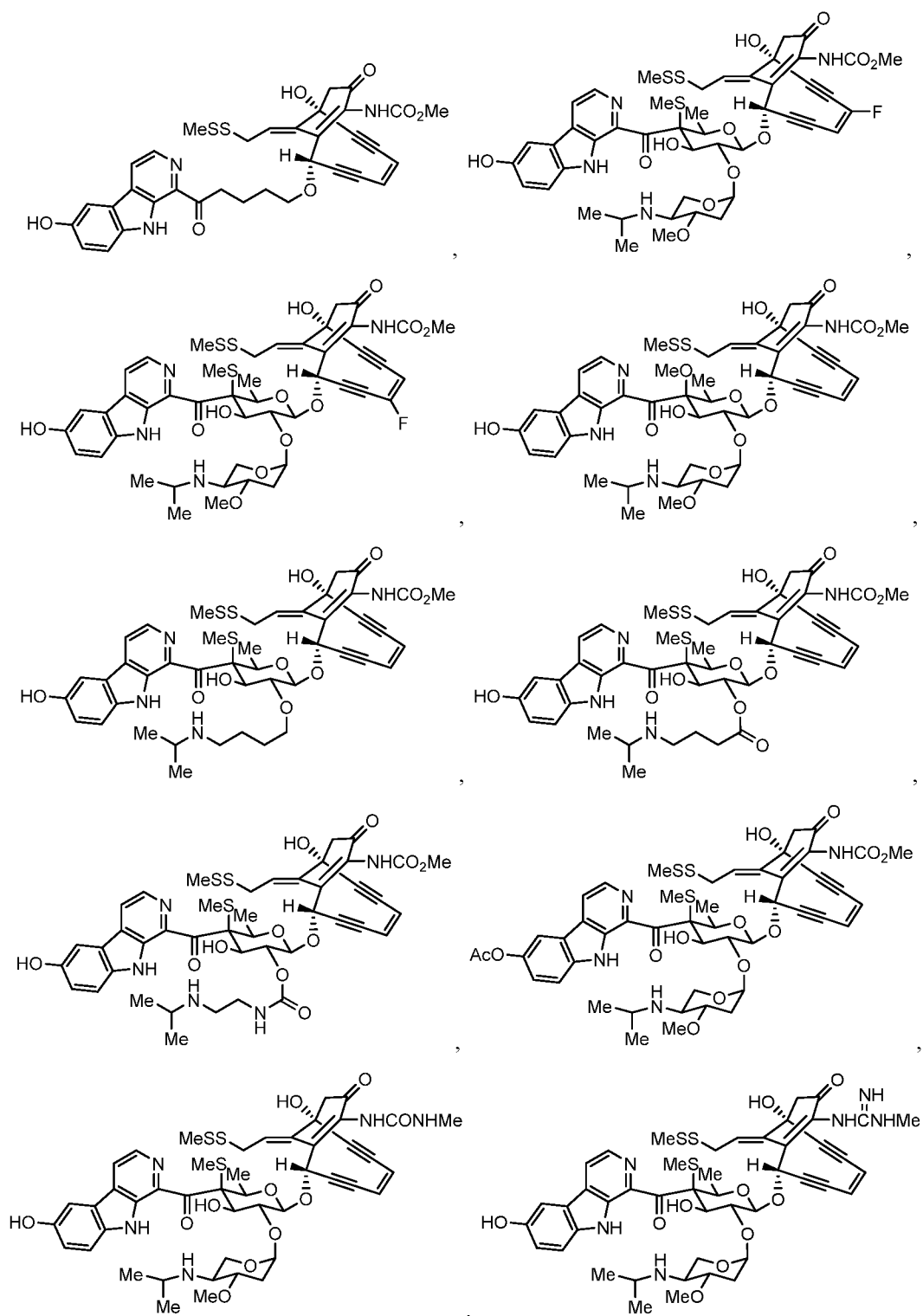


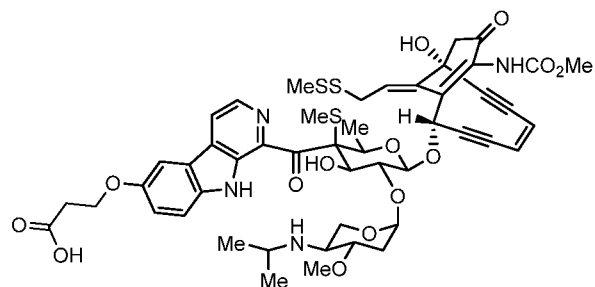
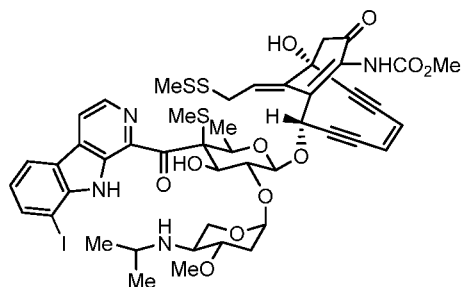
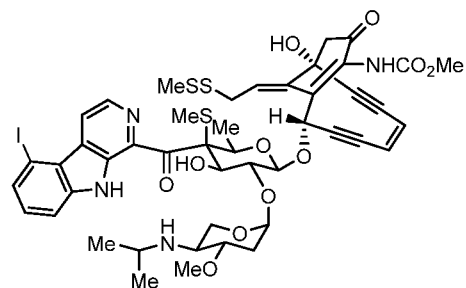
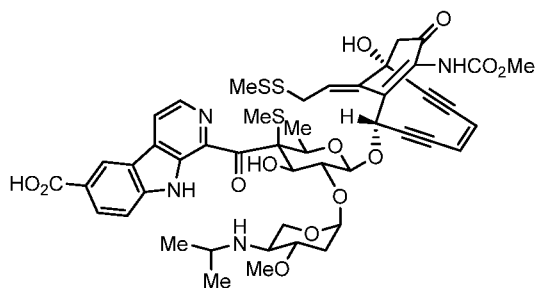
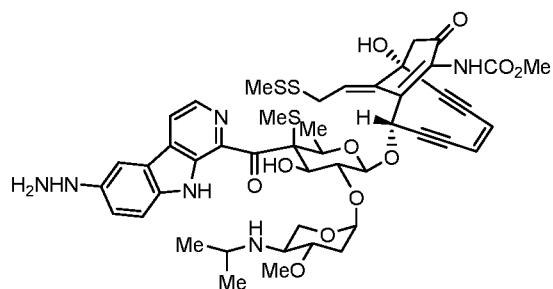
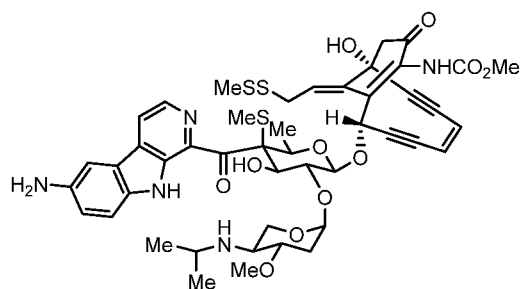
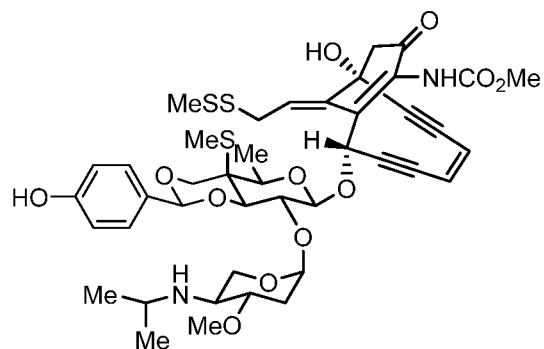
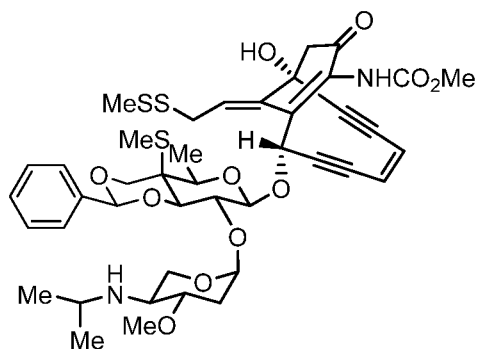
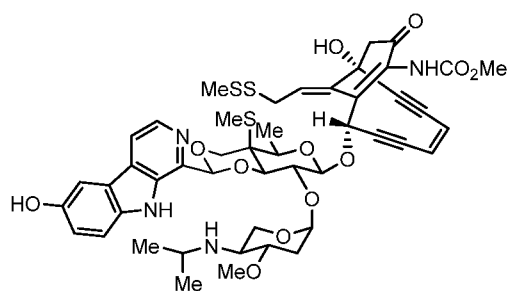
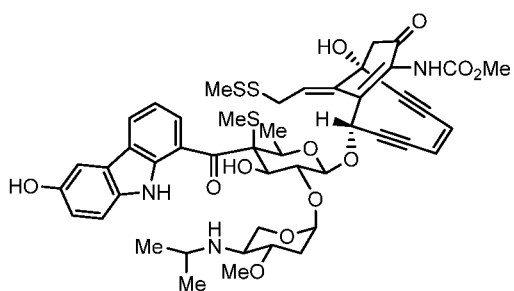


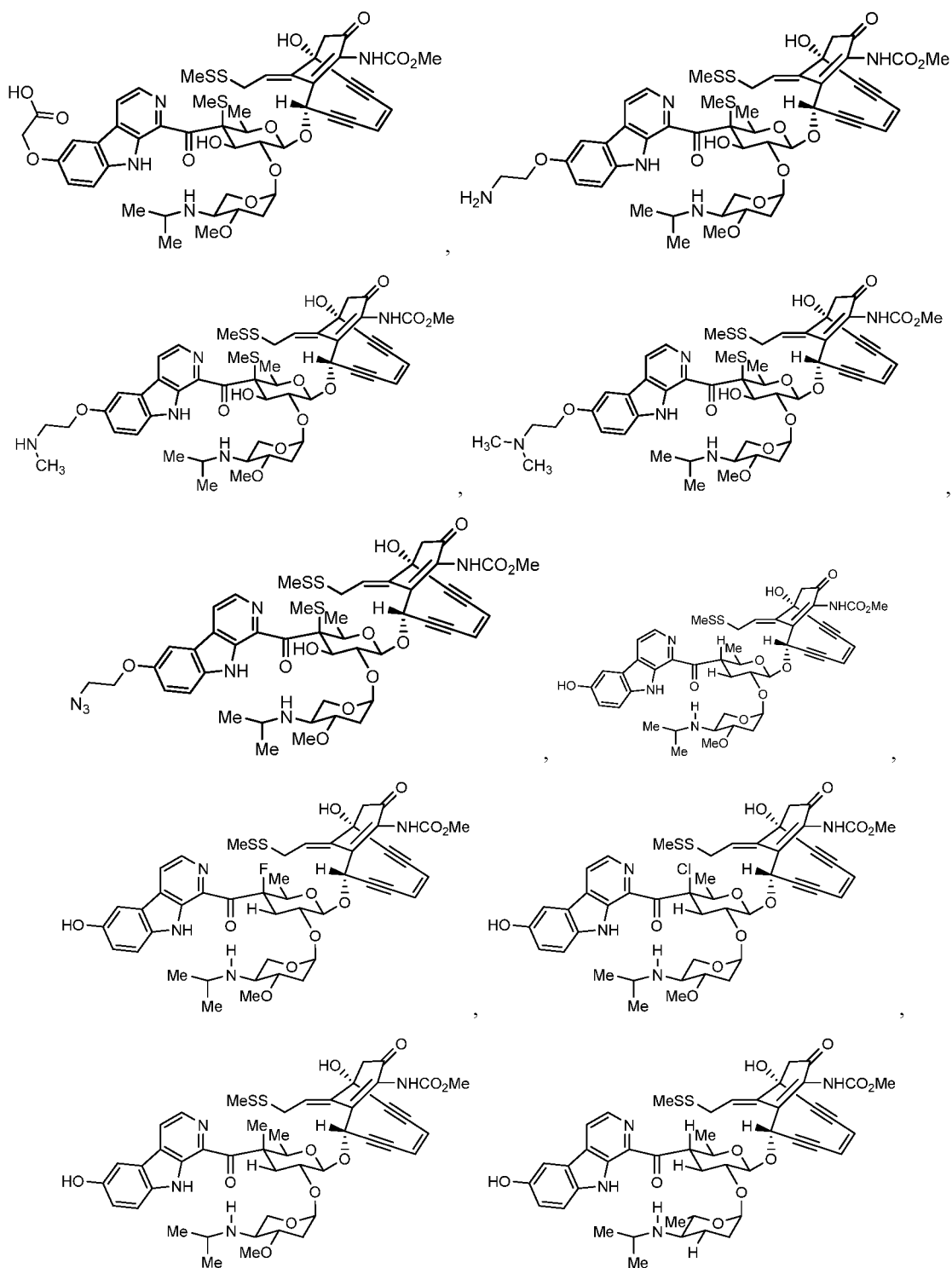




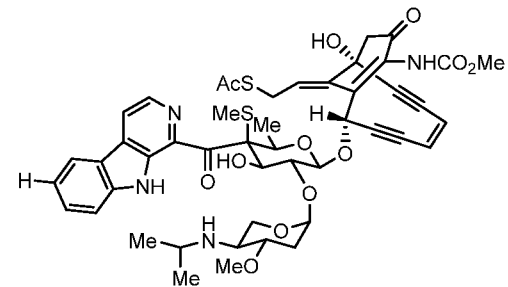
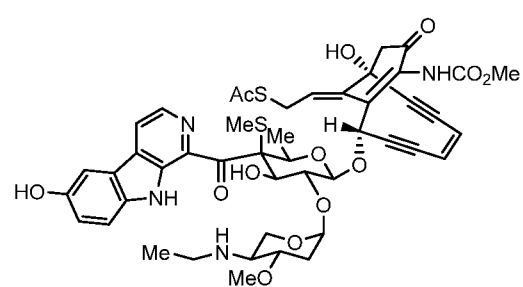
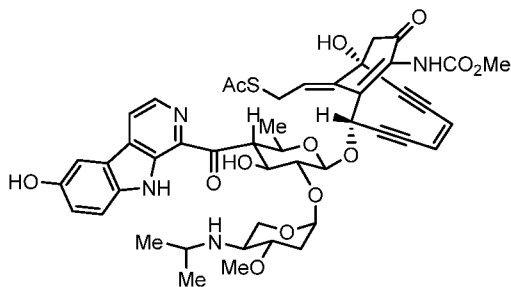
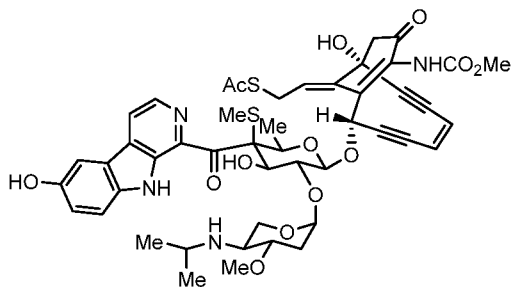
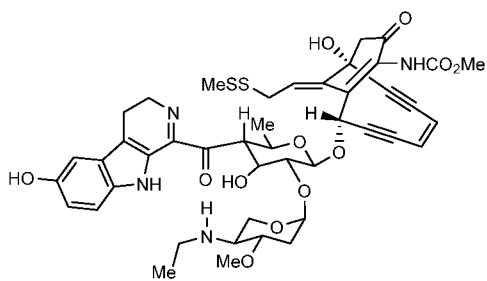
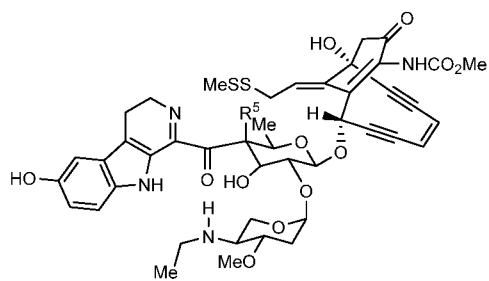
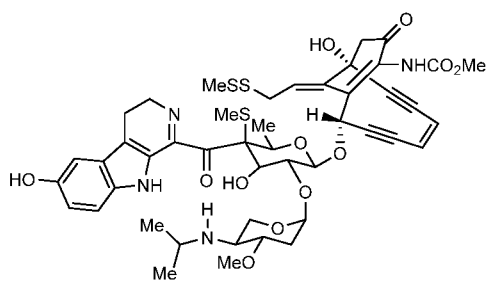
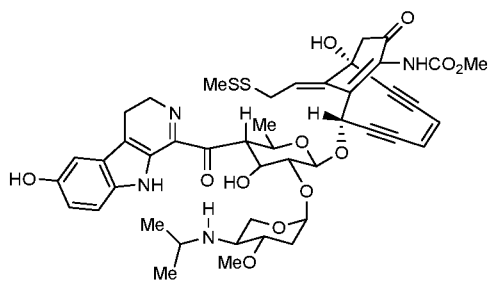
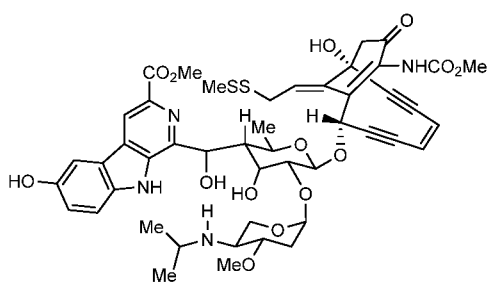
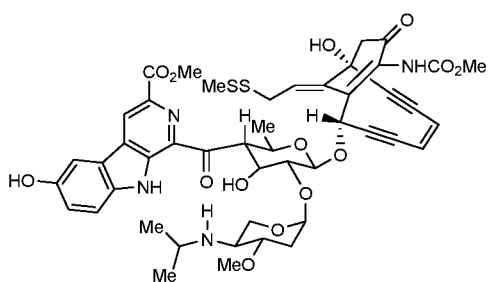


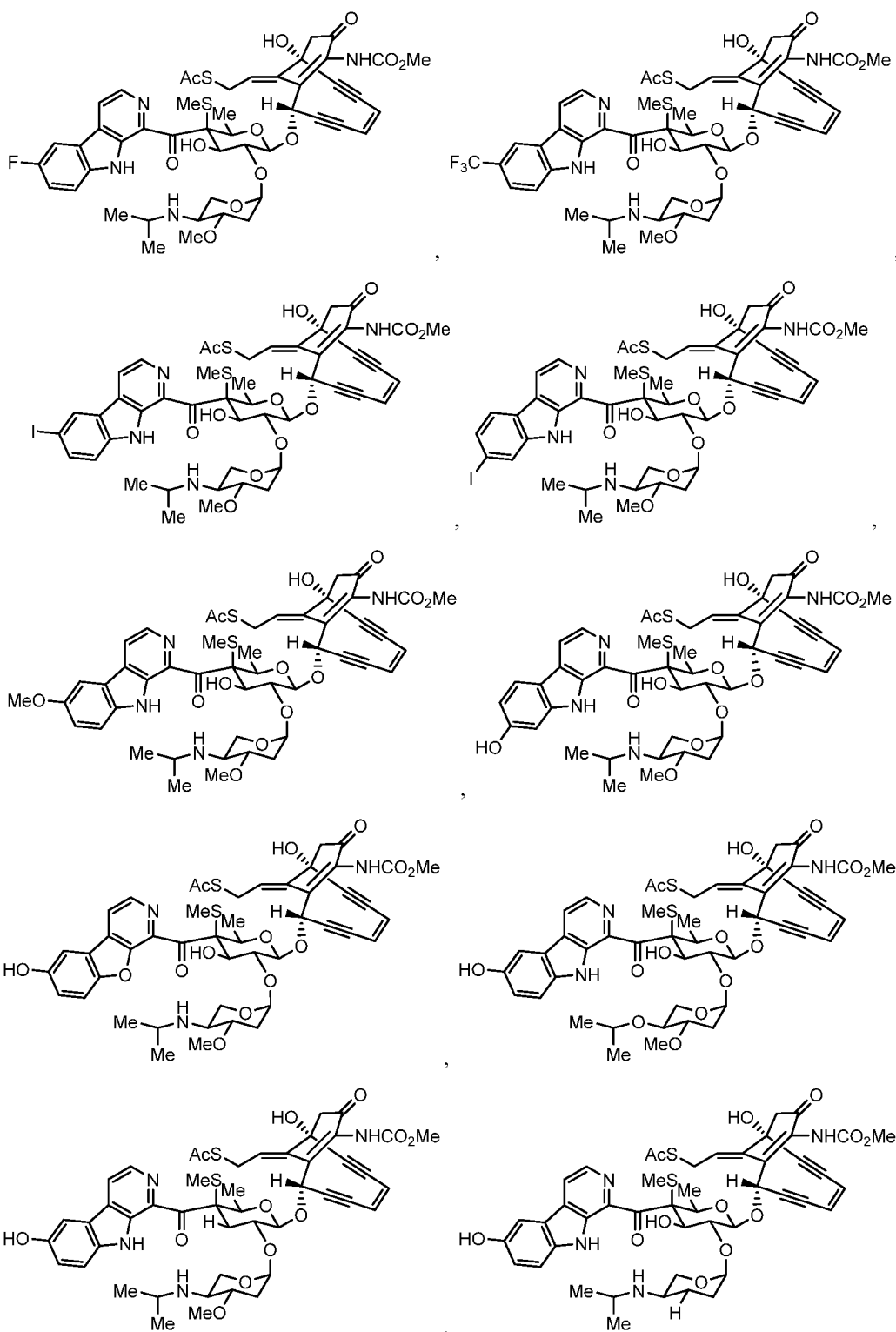


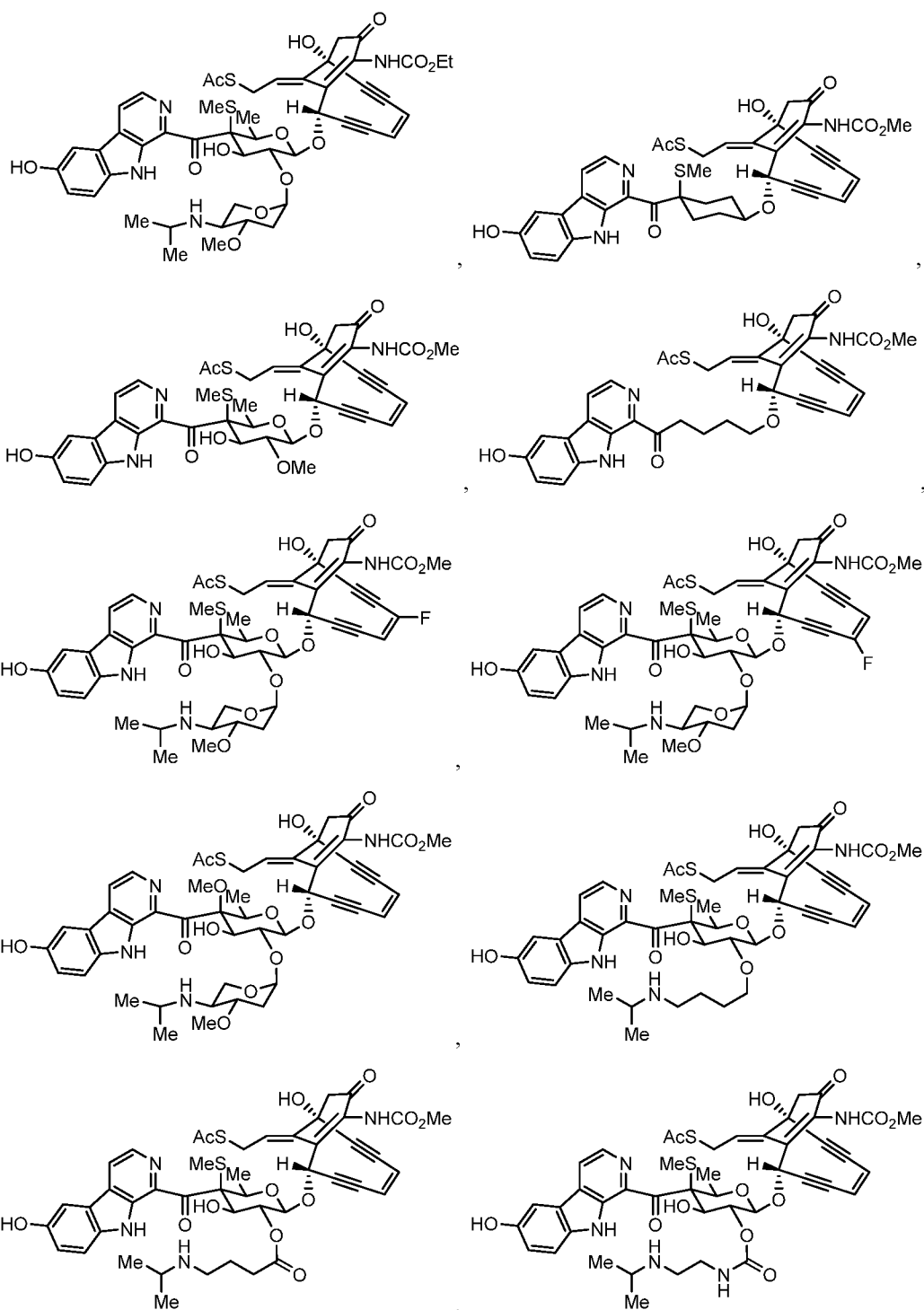


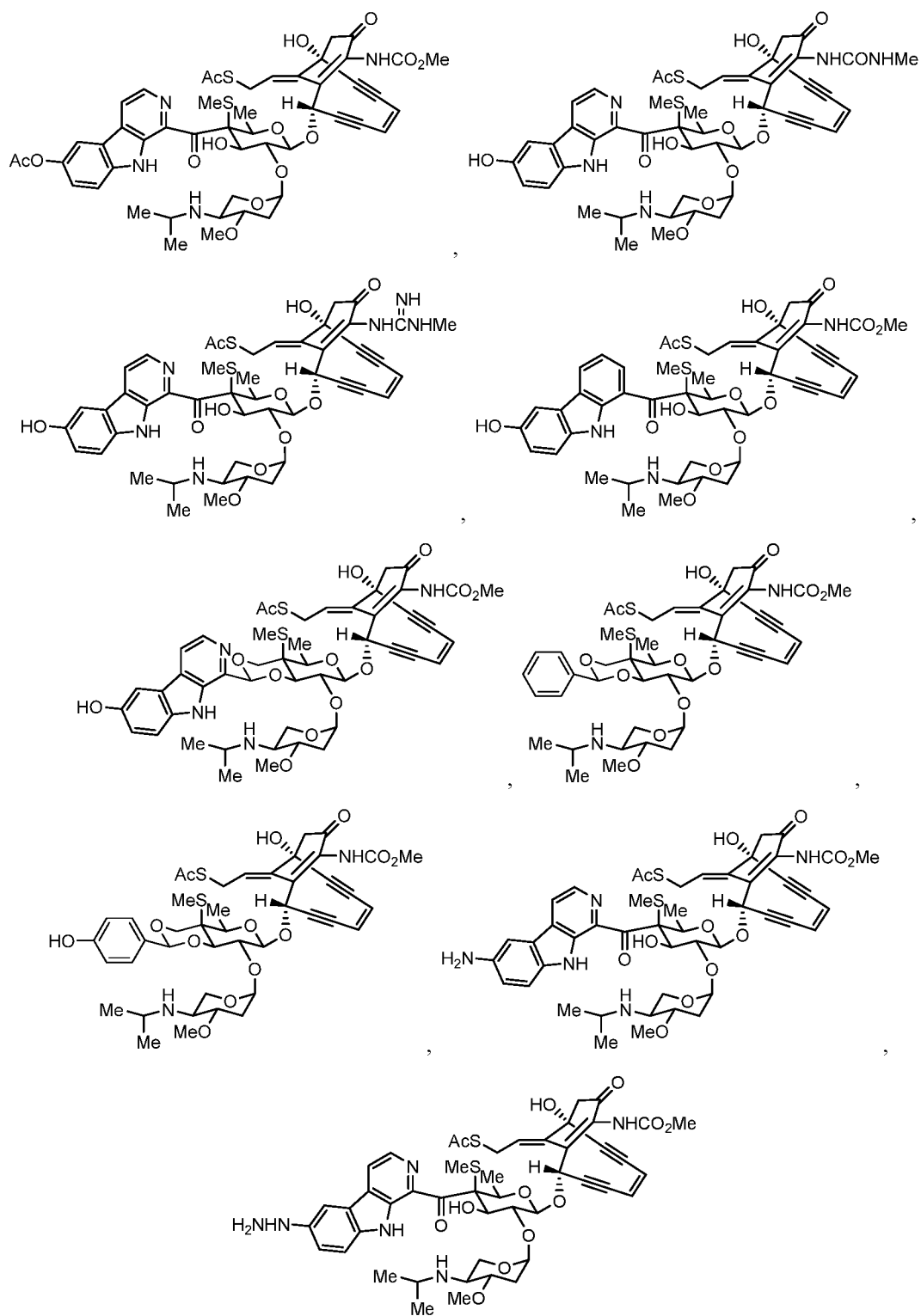


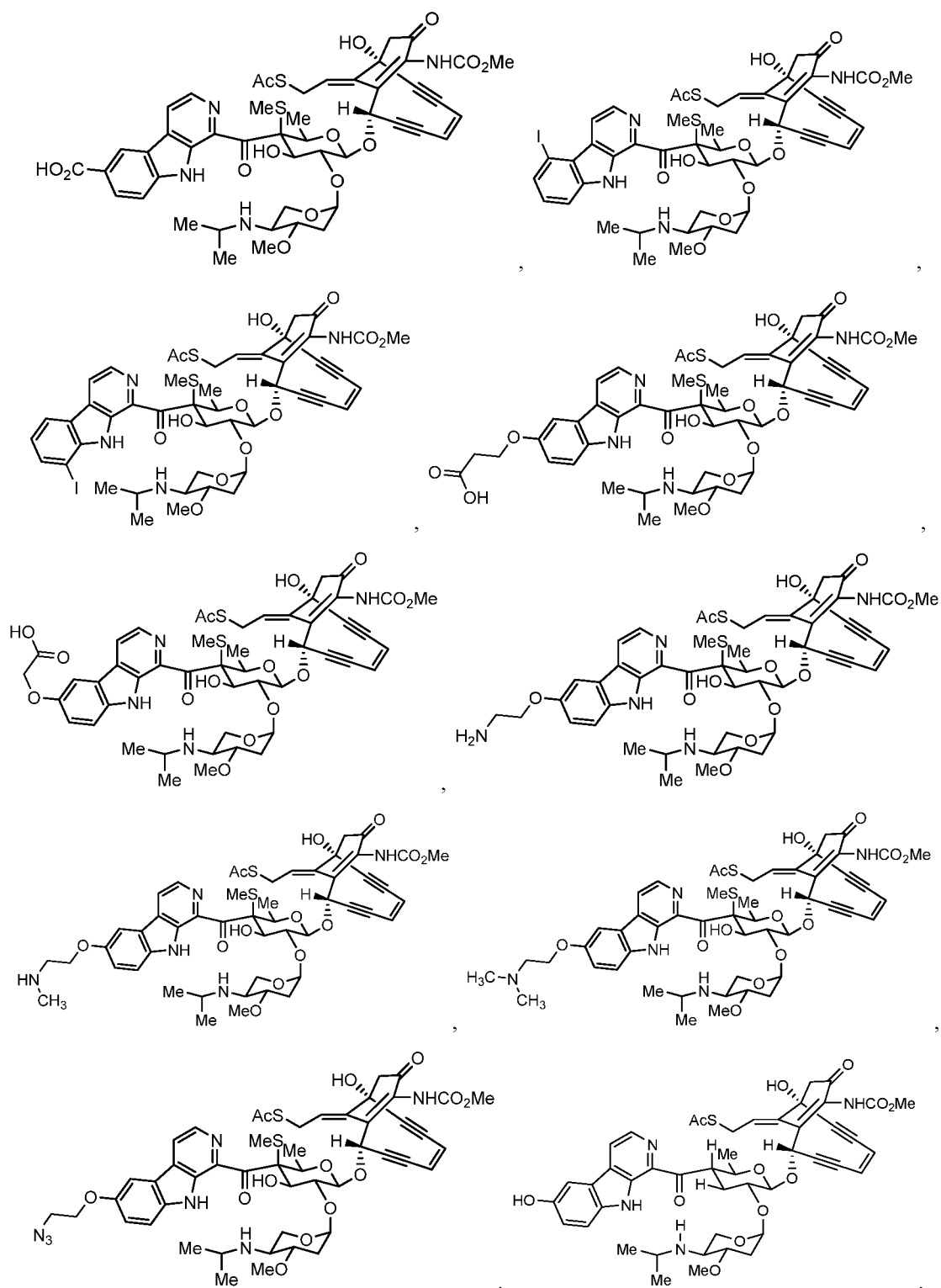


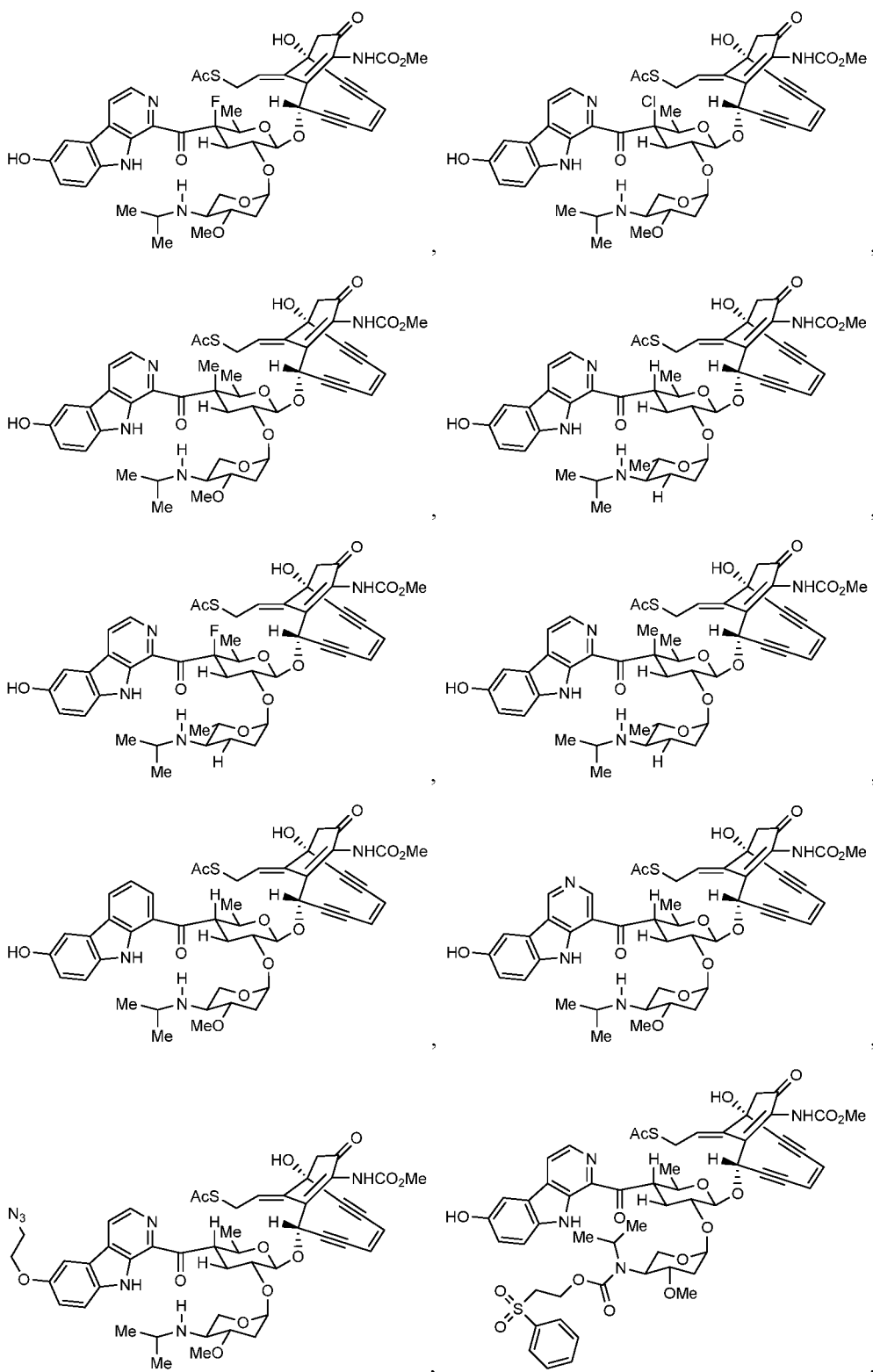


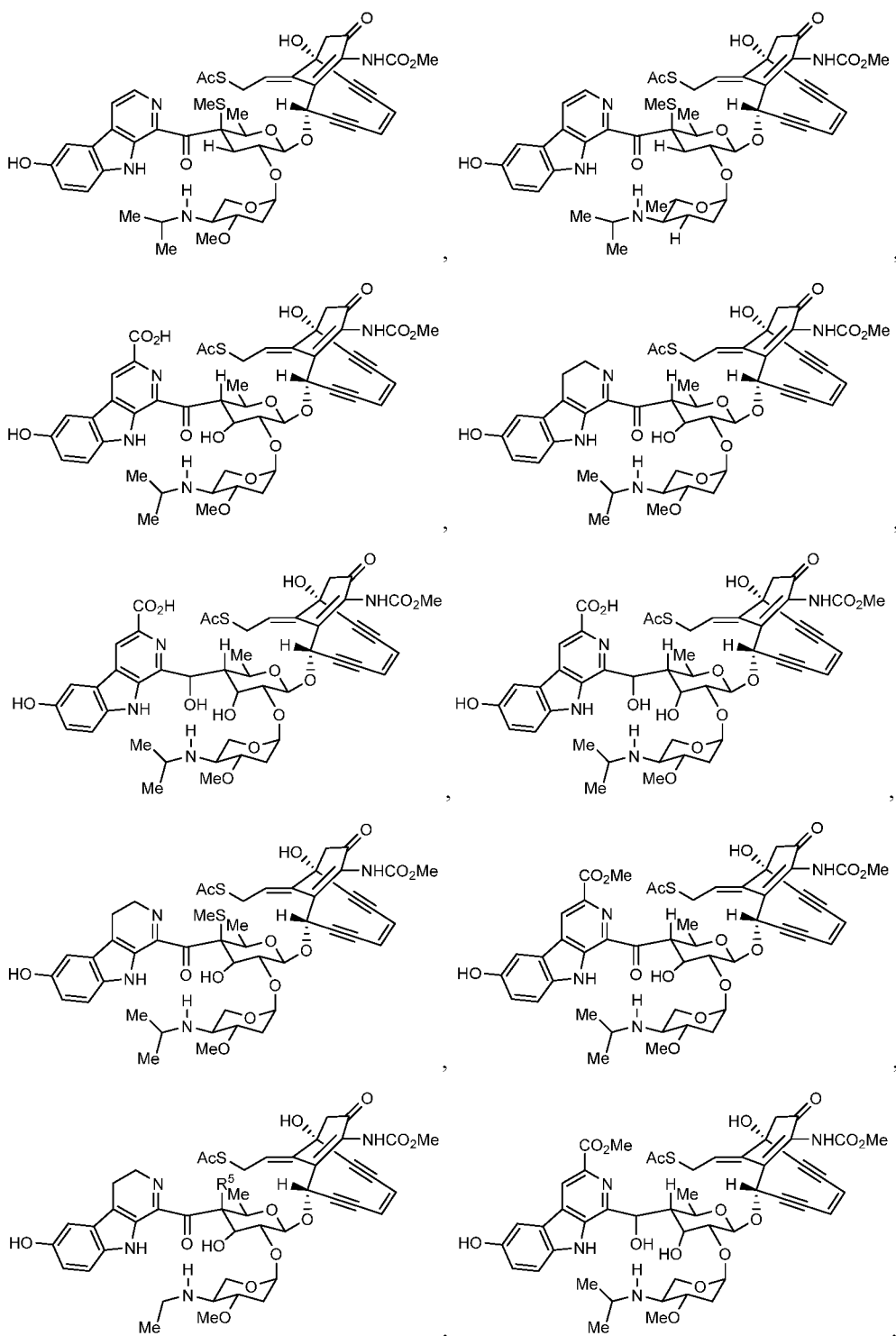


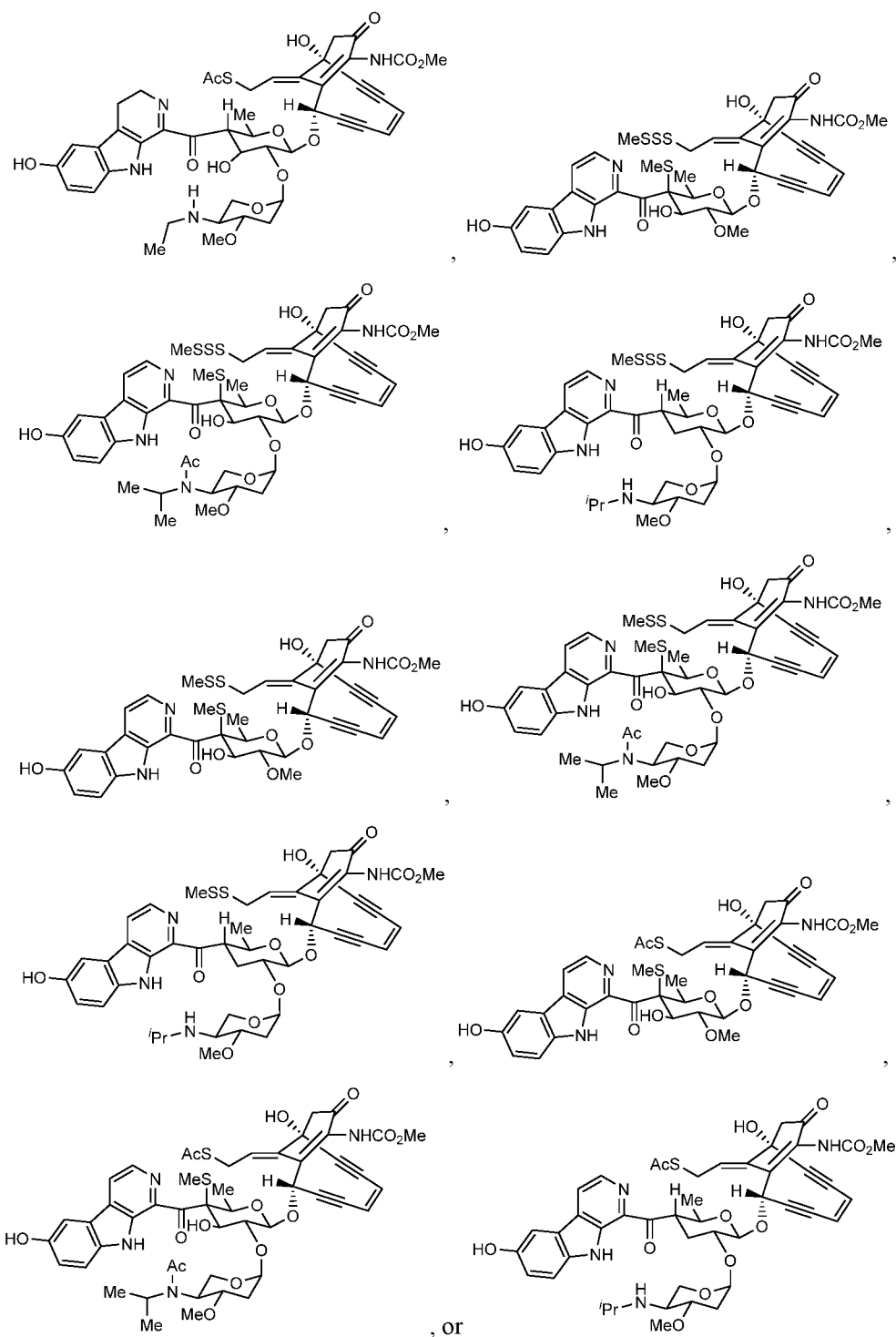






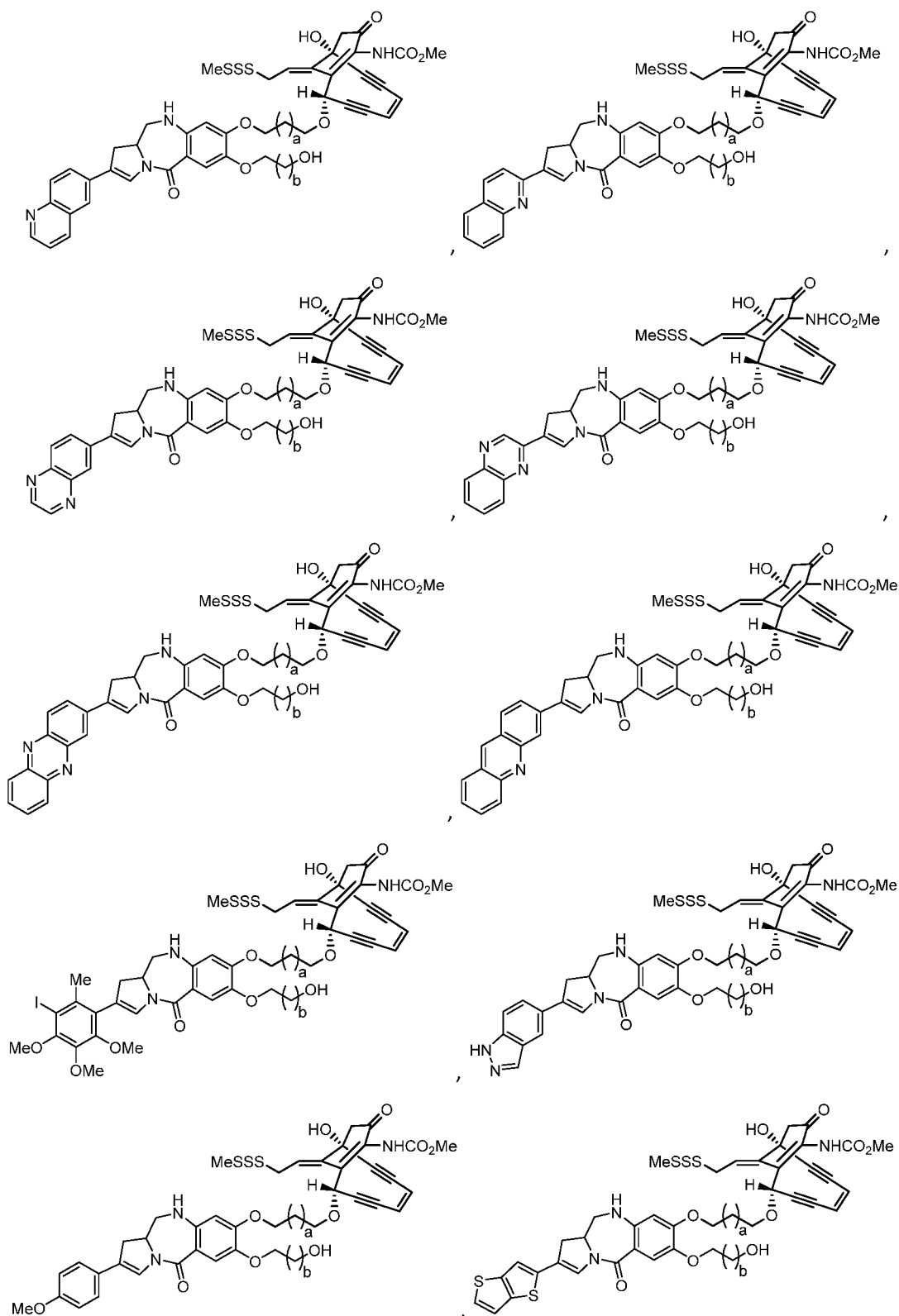


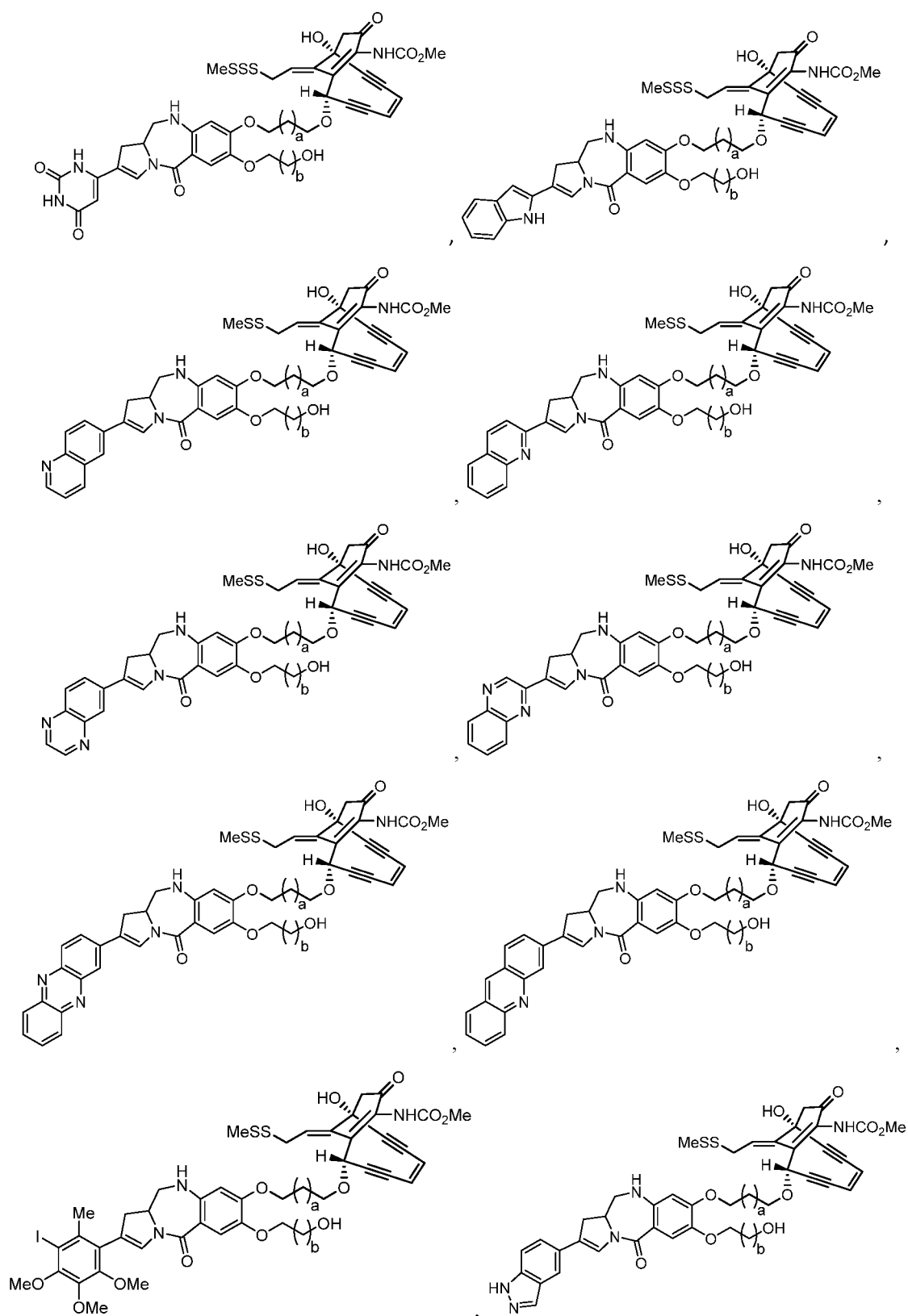


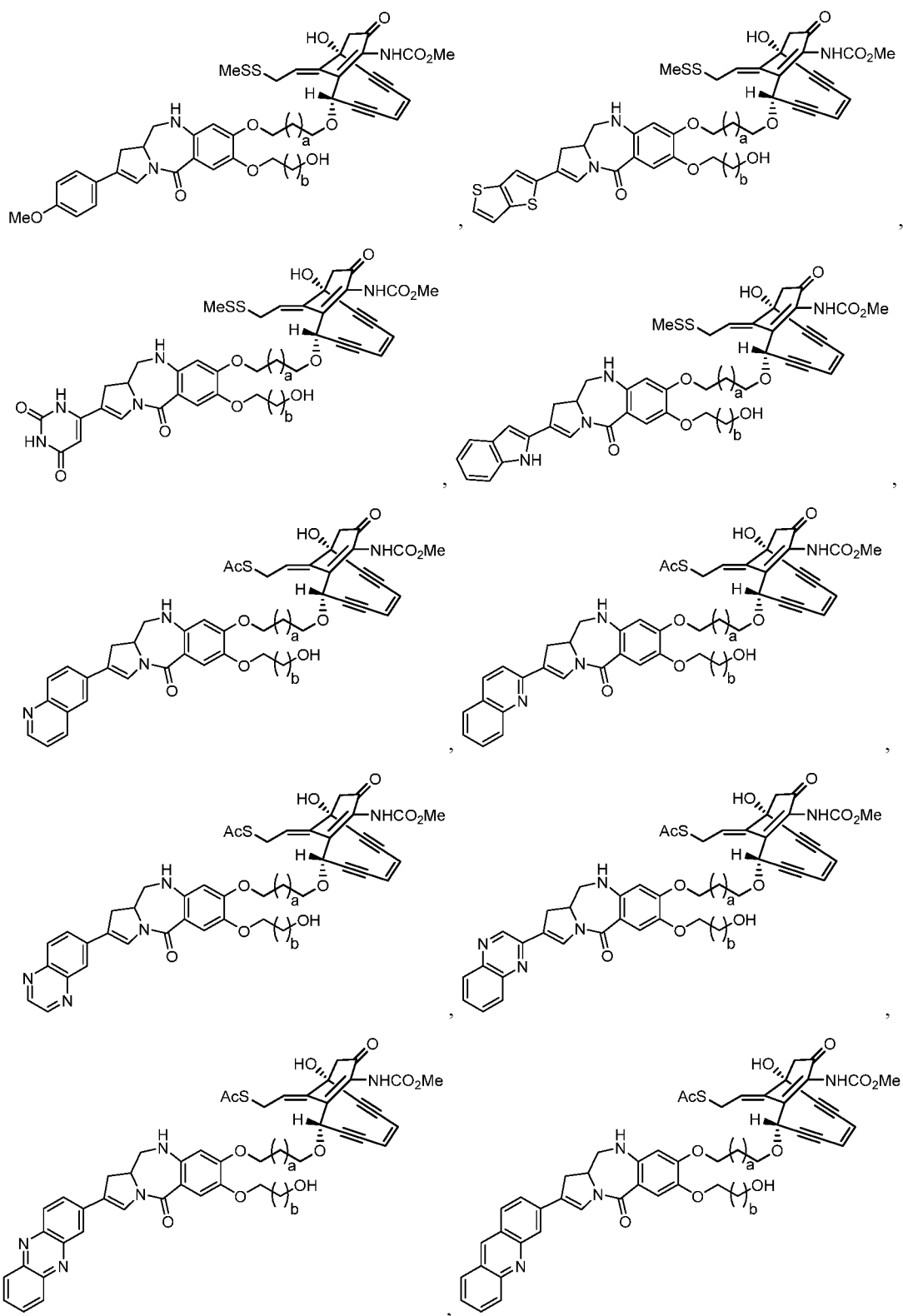


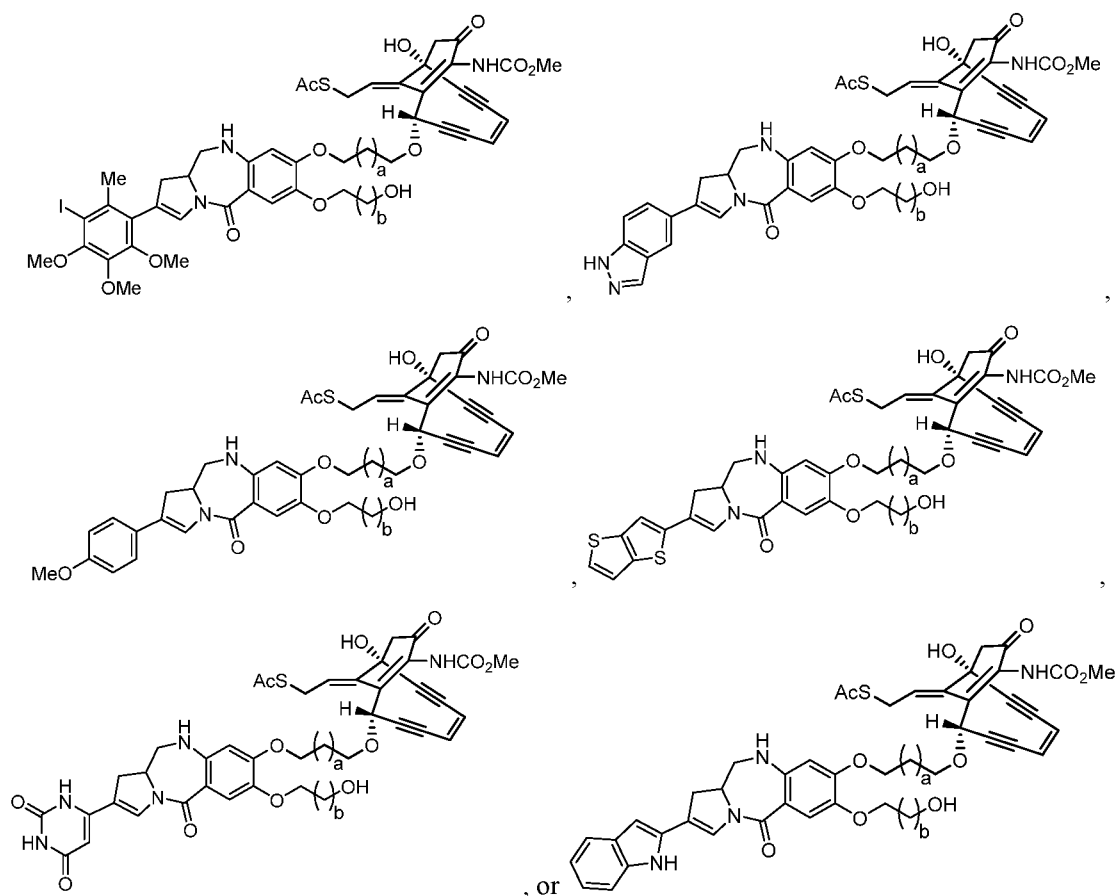
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

129. The compound according to any one of claims 1-127, wherein the compound is further defined as:









5 a is 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5; and

b is 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

130. A pharmaceutical composition comprising:

(A) a compound according to any one of claims 1-129; and

10 (B) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

131. The pharmaceutical composition of claim 130, wherein the pharmaceutical composition is formulated for administration: orally, intraadiposally, intraarterially, intraarticularly, intracranially, intradermally, intralesionally, intramuscularly, intranasally, intraocularly, intrapericardially, intraperitoneally, intrapleurally, intraprostatically, intrarectally, intrathecally, intratracheally, intratumorally, intraumbilically, intravaginally, intravenously, intravesicularly, intravitreally, liposomally, locally, mucosally, parenterally, rectally, subconjunctival, subcutaneously, sublingually, topically, transbuccally, transdermally, vaginally, in crèmes, in

lipid compositions, via a catheter, via a lavage, via continuous infusion, via infusion, via inhalation, via injection, via local delivery, or via localized perfusion.

132. The pharmaceutical composition of either claim 130 or claim 131, wherein the pharmaceutical composition is formulated as a unit dose.

5 133. A method of treating a disease or disorder in a patient comprising administering to the patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of a compound or composition according to any one of claims 1-132.

134. The method of claim 133, wherein the disease or disorder is cancer.

10 135. The method of claim 133 or claim 134, wherein the cancer is a carcinoma, sarcoma, lymphoma, leukemia, melanoma, mesothelioma, multiple myeloma, or seminoma.

136. The method of claim 133 or claim 134, wherein the cancer is of the bladder, blood, bone, brain, breast, central nervous system, cervix, colon, endometrium, esophagus, gall bladder, gastrointestinal tract, genitalia, genitourinary tract, head, kidney, larynx, liver, lung, muscle tissue, neck, oral or nasal mucosa, ovary, pancreas, prostate, skin, spleen, small intestine, large intestine, stomach, testicle, or thyroid.

137. The method according to any one of claims 133-136, wherein the method comprises administering the compound or composition with a second therapeutic agent.

138. The method of claim 137, wherein the second therapeutic agent is surgery, a second chemotherapeutic, radiotherapy, or immunotherapy.

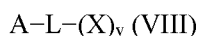
20 139. The method according to any one of claims 133-138, wherein the patient is a mammal.

140. The method of claim 139, wherein the patient is a human.

141. The method according to any one of claims 133-140, wherein the compound is administered once.

25 142. The method according to any one of claims 133-140, wherein the compound is administered two or more times.

143. A antibody-drug conjugate comprising:



wherein:

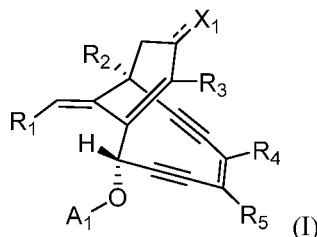
A is an antibody or a nanoparticle;

30 L is a covalent bond or a difunctional linker;

X is a compound or composition according to any one of claims 1-132; and

y is an integer selected from 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, or 20.

144. A method of preparing a compound of the formula:



5 wherein:

R₁ is -alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃ or -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃; wherein:

A₃ is hydrogen or alkyl_(C≤12), cycloalkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), alkynyl_(C≤12), aryl_(C≤12), heteroaryl_(C≤12), aralkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; and

10 x is 1, 2, or 3;

R₂ is hydroxy, or alkoxy_(C≤8), acyloxy_(C≤8), or substituted version of either of these groups, or a protected hydroxy group;

R₃ is NHC(Y₂)R₁₆, wherein:

Y₂ is O, NH, or NOH; and

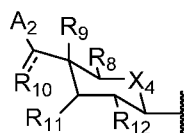
15 R₁₆ is alkoxy_(C≤8), alkenyloxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), or substituted version of any of these groups;

R₄ and R₅ are each independently selected from hydrogen and halo;

X₁ is O, S, or NH, or X₁ is a protected carbonyl wherein the protected carbonyl is a group of the formula -O(CH₂)_cO-, wherein c is 1, 2, 3, or 4;

20 A₁ is -alkanediyl_(C≤12)-C(O)-A₂ or -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤12)-C(O)-A₂; or

A₁ is:



wherein:

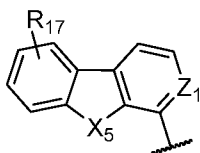
X₄ is -CH₂- or -O-;

R₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), cycloalkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), or substituted cycloalkyl_(C≤8);

R₉ is hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, mercapto, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylthio_(C≤8), substituted alkylthio_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group or a protected thiol group;

R₁₀ is hydroxy, oxo, or R₁₀ is taken together with R₁₁ and is –OCHA₄O–; provided that when R₁₀ is oxo then R₁₀ and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a double bond, and when R₁₀ is taken together with R₁₁ then R₁₀ and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a single bond;

wherein A₄ is aryl_(C≤12) or substituted aryl_(C≤12), or



wherein:

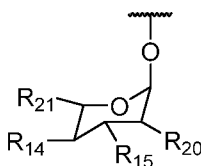
Z₁ is CH or N; and

R₁₇ is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo, or nitro; or alkyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R₁₁ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group;

R₁₂ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group, or

–O–alkanediyl_(C≤8)–alkylamino_(C≤12), –OC(O)–alkanediyl_(C≤8)–alkylamino_(C≤12), or –OC(O)NH–alkanediyl_(C≤8)–alkylamino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; or



wherein:

R_{14} is amino or hydroxy; or alkoxy_(C≤12), alkylamino_(C≤12), dialkylamino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups, or $-NR_aR_b$, wherein:

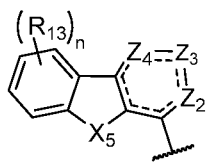
R_a and R_b are each hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤12), substituted alkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), substituted alkenyl_(C≤12), $-C(O)O$ -alkanediyl_(C≤6)- R_c , $-C(O)$ -alkanediyl_(C≤6)- R_c , $-alkanediyl_{(C≤6)}-R_c$, or a substituted version of either of these groups; wherein:

R_c is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxyl, acyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), alkylsulfonyl_(C≤8), arylsulfonyl_(C≤8), or a substituted version of either of these groups, or

a protected amino or hydroxy group;

R_{15} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group;

R_{20} and R_{21} are hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8);



A_2 is hydrogen or

wherein:

X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

R_{18} is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), acyl_(C≤8), or substituted acyl_(C≤8), or ;

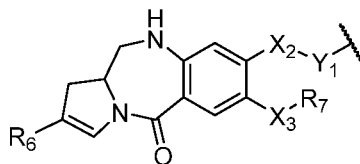
n is 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5;

Z_2 , Z_3 , and Z_4 are each independently N or CR_{13} ; and

R_{13} is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro;

alkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), acyloxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups, or a protected thiol, amino, or hydroxy group; or

A₁ is



wherein:

Y₁ is alkanediyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8);

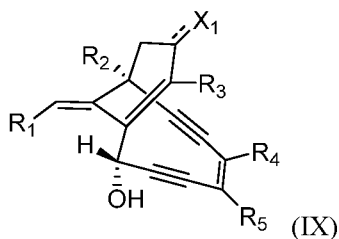
5 X₂ and X₃ are each independently selected from -O-, -S-, or -NR₁₉-, wherein:

R₁₉ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤6), or substituted alkyl_(C≤6);

R₆ is aryl_(C≤18), heteroaryl_(C≤18), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R₇ is alkyl_(C≤12) or substituted alkyl_(C≤12);

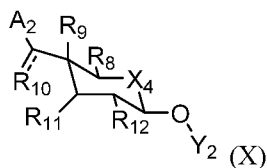
comprising reacting a compound of the formula:



wherein:

X₁, R₁, R₂, R₃, R₄, and R₅ are as defined above;

with a compound of the formula:

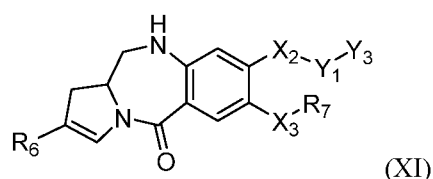


wherein:

X₄, A₂, R₈, R₉, R₁₀, R₁₁, and R₁₂ are as defined above; and

Y₂ is hydrogen or an activating group; or

with a compound of the formula:



wherein:

Y_1 , X_2 , X_3 , R_6 , and R_7 are as defined above; and

Y_3 is a leaving group;

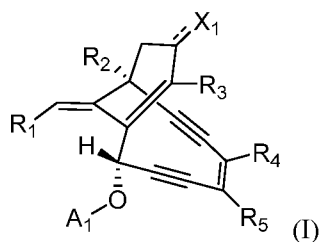
5 with a compound of the formula: Y_4 -alkanediyl_(C≤12)-C(O)-A₂ or Y_4 -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤12)-C(O)-A₂;

wherein:

Y_4 is a leaving group;

in the presence of a Lewis acid.

10 145. The method of claim 144, wherein the compound is further defined as:



wherein:

R_1 is -alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃ or -substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8)-(S)_x-A₃; wherein:

15 A_3 is hydrogen or alkyl_(C≤12), cycloalkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), alkynyl_(C≤12), aryl_(C≤12), heteroaryl_(C≤12), aralkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; and

x is 1, 2, or 3;

R_2 is hydroxy, or alkoxy_(C≤8), acyloxy_(C≤8), or substituted version of either of these groups, or a protected hydroxy group;

20 R_3 is NHC(Y_2) R_{16} , wherein:

Y_2 is O, NH, or NOH; and

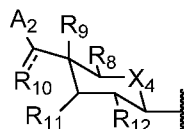
R_{16} is alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), or substituted version of any of these groups;

R_4 and R_5 are each independently selected from hydrogen and halo;

X_1 is O, S, or NH, or X_1 is a protected carbonyl wherein the protected carbonyl is a group of the formula $-O(CH_2)_cO-$, wherein c is 1, 2, 3, or 4;

A_1 is $-alkanediyl_{(C \leq 12)}-C(O)-A_2$ or $-substituted\ alkanediyl_{(C \leq 12)}-C(O)-A_2$; or

A_1 is:



wherein:

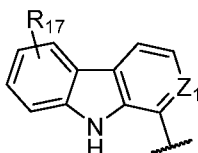
X_4 is $-CH_2-$ or $-O-$;

R_8 is hydrogen, $alkyl_{(C \leq 8)}$, $cycloalkyl_{(C \leq 8)}$, $substituted\ alkyl_{(C \leq 8)}$, or $substituted\ cycloalkyl_{(C \leq 8)}$;

R_9 is hydrogen, hydroxy, mercapto, $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, $substituted\ alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, $alkylthio_{(C \leq 8)}$, $substituted\ alkylthio_{(C \leq 8)}$, or a protected hydroxy group or a protected thiol group;

R_{10} is oxo or R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} and is $-OCHA_4O-$; provided that when R_{10} is oxo then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a double bond, and when R_{10} is taken together with R_{11} then R_{10} and the carbon atom to which it is bound are joined by a single bond;

wherein A_4 is $aryl_{(C \leq 12)}$ or $substituted\ aryl_{(C \leq 12)}$, or



wherein:

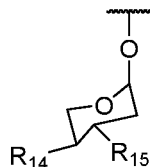
Z_1 is CH or N; and

R_{17} is hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, hydrazino, carboxy, halo, or nitro; or $alkyl_{(C \leq 12)}$, $alkoxy_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R_{11} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, or $substituted\ alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, or a protected hydroxy group;

R_{12} is hydrogen, hydroxy, $alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, $substituted\ alkoxy_{(C \leq 8)}$, or a protected hydroxy group, or

$-\text{O}-\text{alkanediyl}_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(\text{C}\leq 12)}$, $-\text{OC}(\text{O})-\text{alkanediyl}_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(\text{C}\leq 12)}$, or
 $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{NH}-\text{alkanediyl}_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(\text{C}\leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of
 these groups; or

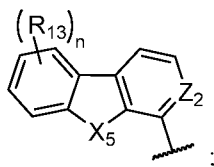


5 wherein:

R_{14} is amino or hydroxy; or alkoxy $_{(\text{C}\leq 12)}$, alkylamino $_{(\text{C}\leq 12)}$, dialkyl-amino $_{(\text{C}\leq 12)}$,
 or a substituted version of any of these groups, or a protected amino or
 hydroxy group;

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R_{15} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, or substituted alkoxy $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, or a protected
 hydroxy group;



A_2 is hydrogen or

wherein:

X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

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R_{18} is hydrogen, alkyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, substituted alkyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, acyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, or
 substituted acyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, or ;

n is 1, 2, 3, or 4;

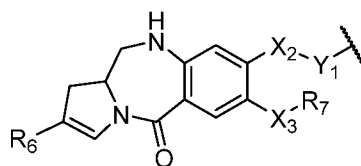
Z_2 is N or CH; and

R_{13} is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro;

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alkyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 12)}$, acyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 12)}$, alkoxy $_{(\text{C}\leq 12)}$, acyloxy $_{(\text{C}\leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of
 either of these groups, or a protected thiol, amino, or hydroxy group;
 or

A_1 is



wherein:

Y_1 is alkanediyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkanediyl_(C≤8);

X_2 and X_3 are each independently selected from $-O-$, $-S-$, or $-NR_{19}-$, wherein:

R_{19} is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤6), or substituted alkyl_(C≤6);

5 R_6 is aryl_(C≤18), heteroaryl_(C≤18), or a substituted version of either of these groups;

R_7 is alkyl_(C≤12) or substituted alkyl_(C≤12).

146. The method of claim 144, wherein the Lewis acid is a boron compound.

147. The method of claim 144 or claim 146, wherein the Lewis acid is boron trifluoride etherate.

148. The method according to any one of claims 144-147, wherein the method further comprises one
10 or more deprotection steps.

149. The method according to any one of claims 144-148, wherein the method further comprises:

(A) deprotecting the R_1 group in the presence of a base to form the group:
 $-alkanediyl_{(C≤8)}-SH$ or $-substituted\ alkanediyl_{(C≤8)}-SH$; and

(B) reacting the free mercapto group with a group of the formula:

15 $R_{20}-(S)_y-R_{21}$ (XII)

wherein:

R_{20} is an activating group;

y is 1 or 2; and

20 R_{21} is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤12), cycloalkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), alkynyl_(C≤12), aryl_(C≤12),
heteroaryl_(C≤12), aralkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these
groups;

to form a compound of formula I, wherein R_1 is:

$-alkanediyl_{(C≤8)}-(S)_x-A_3$ or $-substituted\ alkanediyl_{(C≤8)}-(S)_x-A_3$; wherein:

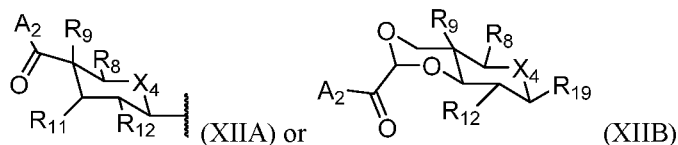
25 A_3 is hydrogen or alkyl_(C≤12), cycloalkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), alkynyl_(C≤12), aryl_(C≤12),
heteroaryl_(C≤12), aralkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups;
and

x is 2 or 3.

150. The method of claim 149, wherein the activating group is a phthalimide group.

151. The method according to any one of claims 144-150, wherein the method comprises one or more deprotection steps.

152. A method of preparing a compound of the formula:



5 wherein:

X₄ is -CH₂- or -O-;

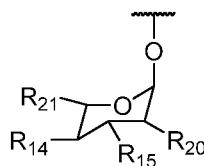
R₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), cycloalkyl_(C≤8), or substituted cycloalkyl_(C≤8);

10 R₉ is hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, mercapto, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), alkylthio_(C≤8), substituted alkylthio_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group or a protected thiol group;

R₁₁ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), or substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group;

15 R₁₂ is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy_(C≤8), substituted alkoxy_(C≤8), or a protected hydroxy group, or

-O-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12), -OC(O)-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12), or -OC(O)NH-alkanediyl_(C≤8)-alkylamino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; or



20 wherein:

R₁₄ is amino or hydroxy; or alkoxy_(C≤12), alkylamino_(C≤12), dialkylamino_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups, or -NR_aR_b, wherein:

25 R_a and R_b are each hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤12), substituted alkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), substituted alkenyl_(C≤12),

$-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}-\text{alkanediyl}_{(\text{C}\leq 6)}-\text{R}_c$,

$-\text{C}(\text{O})-\text{alkanediyl}_{(\text{C}\leq 6)}-\text{R}_c$, $-\text{alkanediyl}_{(\text{C}\leq 6)}-\text{R}_c$, or a substituted version of either of these group; wherein:

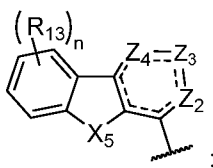
R_c is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxyl, acyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$,
alkoxy $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, alkylamino $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, dialkylamino $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$,
alkylsulfonyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, arylsulfonyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, or a
substituted version of either of these groups;
or

a protected amino or hydroxy group;

R_{15} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, or substituted alkoxy $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, or a protected hydroxy group;

R_{20} and R_{21} are hydrogen, alkyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, substituted alkyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, alkoxy $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, or substituted alkoxy $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$;

A_2 is:



wherein:

X_5 is O, S, or NR_{18} ; wherein:

R_{18} is hydrogen, alkyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, substituted alkyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, acyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$, or substituted acyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 8)}$;

n is 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5;

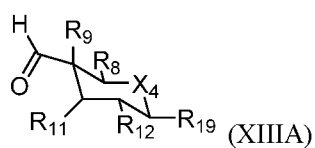
Z_2 , Z_3 , and Z_4 are each independently N or CR_{13} ; and

R_{13} is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro;

alkyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 12)}$, acyl $_{(\text{C}\leq 12)}$, alkoxy $_{(\text{C}\leq 12)}$, acyloxy $_{(\text{C}\leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of either of these groups, or a protected thiol, amino, or hydroxy group;

comprising:

(A) reacting a compound of the formula:

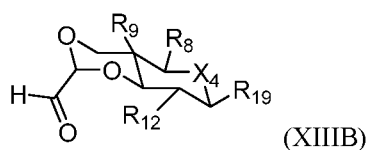


wherein:

X_4 , R_8 , R_9 , R_{10} , R_{11} , and R_{12} are as defined above; and

R_{19} is hydroxy or a protected hydroxy group; or

5 a compound of the formula:

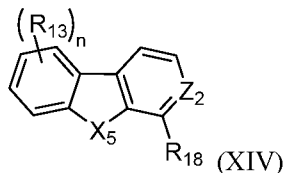


wherein:

X_4 , R_8 , R_9 , R_{10} , R_{11} , and R_{12} are as defined above; and

R_{19} is hydroxy or a protected hydroxy group;

10 with a compound of the formula:

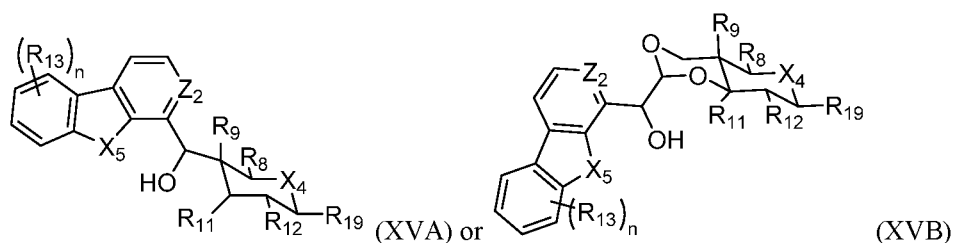


wherein:

X_5 , n , Z_2 , and R_{13} are as defined above; and

R_{18} is a halo group;

15 in the presence of an organolithium reagent to form a compound of the formula;

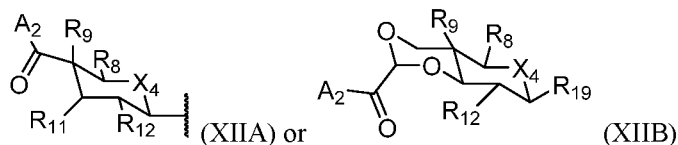


wherein:

n , X_4 , X_5 , Z_2 , R_8 , R_9 , R_{11} , R_{12} , R_{13} , and R_{19} ;

- (B) reacting the compound of formulas (XVA or XVB) in the presence of an oxidizing agent to the compound of formulas XIIA or XIIB.

153. The method of claim 152, wherein the compound is further defined as:



5 wherein:

X_4 is $-\text{CH}_2-$ or $-\text{O}-$;

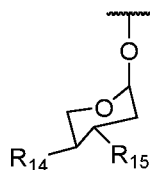
R_8 is hydrogen, $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 8)}$;

R_9 is hydrogen, hydroxy, mercapto, alkoxy $_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted alkoxy $_{(C \leq 8)}$, alkylthio $_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted alkylthio $_{(C \leq 8)}$, or a protected hydroxy group or a protected thiol group;

R_{11} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy $_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted alkoxy $_{(C \leq 8)}$, or a protected hydroxy group;

R_{12} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy $_{(C \leq 8)}$, substituted alkoxy $_{(C \leq 8)}$, or a protected hydroxy group, or

$-\text{O}-\text{alkanediy}_{(C \leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $-\text{OC}(\text{O})-\text{alkanediy}_{(C \leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{NH}-\text{alkanediy}_{(C \leq 8)}-\text{alkylamino}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups; or

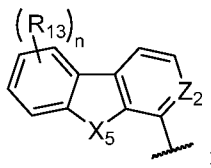


wherein:

R_{14} is amino or hydroxy; or alkoxy $_{(C \leq 12)}$, alkylamino $_{(C \leq 12)}$, dialkyl-amino $_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups, or a protected amino or hydroxy group;

R_{15} is hydrogen, hydroxy, alkoxy $_{(C \leq 8)}$, or substituted alkoxy $_{(C \leq 8)}$, or a protected hydroxy group;

A₂ is:



wherein:

X₅ is O, S, or NR₁₈; wherein:

5 R₁₈ is hydrogen, alkyl_(C≤8), substituted alkyl_(C≤8), acyl_(C≤8), or substituted acyl_(C≤8);

n is 1, 2, 3, or 4;

Z₂ is N or CH; and

R₁₃ is hydrogen, amino, carboxy, hydroxy, hydrazino, halo, or nitro;

10 alkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), alkoxy_(C≤12), acyloxy_(C≤12), or a substituted version of either of these groups, or a protected thiol, amino, or hydroxy group.

154. The method of claim 152, wherein the organolithium reagent is a butyllithium.

155. The method of claim 154, wherein the organolithium reagent is *t*-butyllithium.

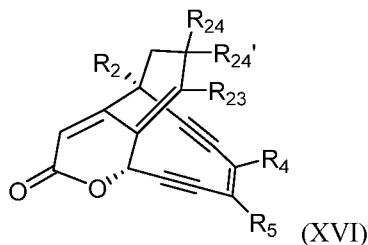
156. The method according to any one of claims 152-155, wherein the compound of formula XIV is
15 added before the compound of formula XIII.

157. The method of claim 152-156, wherein the oxidizing agent is a hypervalent iodide reagent.

158. The method of claim 157, wherein the oxidizing agent is Dess-Martin periodinane.

159. The method according to any one of claims 152-158, wherein the method comprises one or more deprotection steps.

20 160. A method of preparing a compound of the formula:



wherein:

R_2 is hydroxy, or alkoxy_(C≤8), acyloxy_(C≤8), or substituted version of either of these groups, or a protected hydroxyl group;

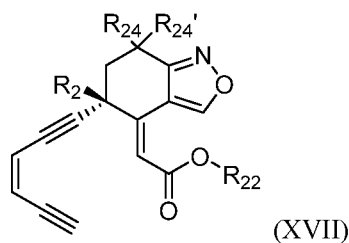
R_{23} is a divalently protected amino group; and

5 R_{24} and R_{24}' are a group of the formula $-O(CH_2)_eO-$, wherein e is 1, 2, 3, or 4, or R_{24} and R_{24}' are taken together and are an oxo group; provided that when R_{24} and R_{24}' are taken together then the atom to which they are bound is part of a double bond and when the atom to which R_{24} and R_{24}' are bound then R_{24} and R_{24}' are oxo;

R_4 and R_5 are each independently selected from hydrogen and halo;

10 comprising:

(A) reacting a compound of the formula:

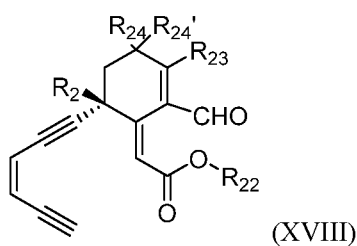


wherein:

R_2 , R_{24} , and R_{24}' are as defined above; and

15 R_{22} is alkyl_(C≤8) or substituted alkyl_(C≤8);

in the presence of an iron source and a protonated amine and followed by a divalent amine protecting agent to form a compound of the formula:



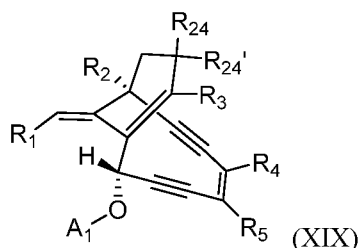
wherein:

20 R_2 , R_{22} , R_{24} , and R_{24}' are as defined above; and

R_{23} is a divalently protected amino group;

(B) reacting the compound of the formula XVIII with a strong base in the presence of a Lewis acid to obtain a compound of the formula XVI.

161. The method of claim 160, wherein the iron source is metallic iron.
162. The method of claim 160 or claim 161, wherein the protonated amine is a primary protonated amine.
163. The method of claim 162, wherein the protonated amine is ammonium chloride.
- 5 164. The method according to any one of claims 160-163, wherein the divalent amine protecting agent is phthaloyl chloride.
165. The method according to any one of claims 160-164, wherein the strong base is a disilylamide.
166. The method of claim 165, wherein the strong base is lithium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide.
167. The method according to any one of claims 160-166, wherein the Lewis acid is a mixture of
10 two or more metal salts.
168. The method of claim 167, wherein the Lewis acid comprises a mixture of a first metal salt and a second metal salt.
169. The method of claim 168, wherein the first metal salt is a lanthanum salt.
170. The method of claim 169, wherein the first metal salt is LaCl_3 .
- 15 171. The method according to any one of claims 168-170, wherein the second metal salt is a lithium salt.
172. The method of claim 171, wherein the second metal salt is lithium chloride.
173. The method according to any one of claims 168-172, wherein the first metal salt and the second metal salt are present in a ratio from about 1:4 to about 4:1.
- 20 174. The method of claim 173, wherein the ratio of the first metal salt to the second metal salt is 1:2.
175. The method according to any one of claims 160-174, wherein the method further comprises one or more deprotection steps.
176. A method of preparing a compound of the formula:



25 wherein:

R_1 is $-\text{alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 8)}-(S)_x-A_3$ or $-\text{substituted alkanediyl}_{(C \leq 8)}-(S)_x-A_3$; wherein:

A₃ is hydrogen or alkyl_(C≤12), alkenyl_(C≤12), alkynyl_(C≤12), aryl_(C≤12), heteroaryl_(C≤12), aralkyl_(C≤12), acyl_(C≤12), or a substituted version of any of these groups; and

x is 1, 2, or 3;

5 R₂ is hydroxy, or alkoxy_(C≤8), acyloxy_(C≤8), or substituted version of either of these groups, or a protected hydroxy group;

R₃ is NHC(Y₂)R₁₆, wherein:

Y₂ is O, NH, or NOH; and

10 R₁₆ is alkoxy_(C≤8), alkenyloxy_(C≤8), alkylamino_(C≤8), dialkylamino_(C≤8), or substituted version of any of these groups;

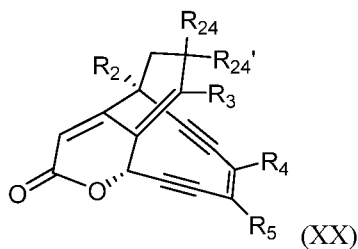
R₄ and R₅ are each independently selected from hydrogen and halo; and

15 R₂₄ and R_{24'} are a group of the formula –O(CH₂)_eO–, wherein e is 1, 2, 3, or 4, or R₂₄ and R_{24'} are taken together and are an oxo group; provided that when R₂₄ and R_{24'} are taken together then the atom to which they are bound is part of a double bond and when the atom to which R₂₄ and R_{24'} are bound then R₂₄ and R_{24'} are oxo;

A₁ is hydrogen or a hydroxy protecting group;

comprising the following steps:

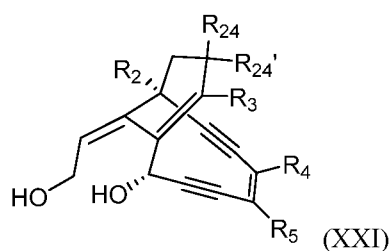
(A) reacting a compound of the formula:



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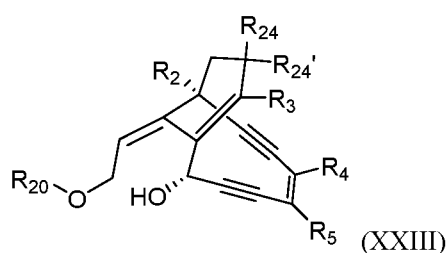
wherein: X₁, R₂, R₃, R₄, R₅, R₂₄, and R_{24'} are as defined herein;

with a reducing agent in the presence of a transition metal additive to form a compound of the formula:



wherein: X_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_{24} , and R_{24}' are as defined herein;

- (B) reacting the compound of formula XXI with an activating agent to form a compound of the formula:



wherein: X_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_{24} , and R_{24}' are as defined herein; and

R_{20} is a leaving group; and

- (C) reacting the compound of the formula XXIII with a compound of the formula: HSR_{21} , wherein R_{21} is $\text{alkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{alkenyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{alkynyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{aryl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{heteroaryl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{aralkyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, $\text{acyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$, or a substituted version of any of these groups in the presence of a phosphine $_{(C \leq 24)}$ and an azo compound to form a compound of the formula XIX.

177. The method of claim 176, wherein the reducing agent is a boron compound.

178. The method of claim 176 or claim 177, wherein the reducing agent is sodium borohydride.

179. The method according to any one of claims 176-178, wherein the transition metal additive is lanthanide.

180. The method of claim 179, wherein the transition metal additive is a cerium compound.

181. The method of claim 180, wherein the transition metal additive is CeCl_3 or a hydrate thereof.

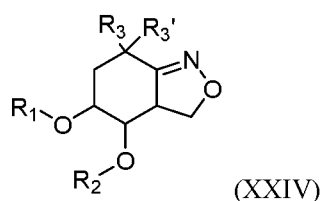
182. The method of claim 181, wherein the transition metal additive is $\text{CeCl}_3 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

183. The method according to any one of claims 176-182, wherein the activating agent is trimethylsilyl cyanide.

184. The method according to any one of claims 176-183, wherein R_{21} is $\text{acyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$ or substituted $\text{acyl}_{(C \leq 12)}$.

185. The method of claim 184, wherein R_{21} is acetyl.

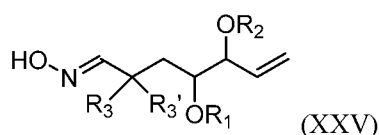
186. The method of claim 184 or claim 185, wherein $\text{H}_3\text{CC}(\text{O})\text{SH}$.
187. The method according to any one of claims 176-186, wherein the phosphine_(C \leq 24) is triphenyl phosphine.
188. The method according to any one of claims 176-187, wherein the azo compound is diethyl azodicarboxylate or diisopropyl azodicarboxylate.
189. The method of claim 188, wherein the azo compound is diethyl azodicarboxylate.
190. A method of preparing a compound of the formula:



wherein:

- R_1 and R_2 are hydrogen or a hydroxy protecting group;
- R_3 and R_3' are a group of the formula $-\text{O}(\text{CH}_2)_e\text{O}-$, wherein e is 1, 2, 3, or 4, or R_3 and R_3' are taken together and are an oxo group; provided that when R_3 and R_3' are taken together then the atom to which they are bound is part of a double bond and when the atom to which R_3 and R_3' are bound then R_3 and R_3' are oxo;

comprising reacting a compound of the formula:



wherein: R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , and R_3' are as defined above;

in the presence of a compound of the formula R_4OCl in a hydrocarbon_(C \leq 12) solvent;

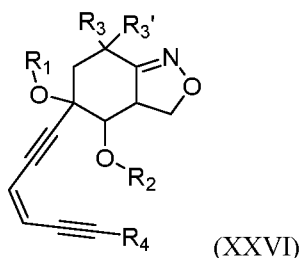
wherein:

R_4 is alkyl_(C \leq 8) or a substituted alkyl_(C \leq 8);

to form a compound of the formula XXV.

191. The method of claim 190, wherein R_4 is alkyl_(C \leq 8).
192. The method of claim 191, wherein R_4 is *t*-butyl.

193. The method according to any one of claims 190-192, wherein the hydrocarbon_(C≤12) solvent is an aromatic solvent_(C≤12).
194. The method of claim 193, wherein the hydrocarbon_(C≤12) solvent is benzene.
195. A method of preparing a compound of the formula:



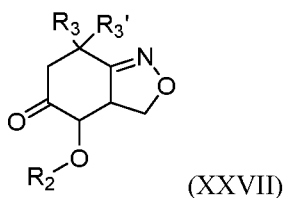
wherein:

R_1 and R_2 are hydrogen or a hydroxy protecting group;

R_3 and R_3' are a group of the formula $-O(CH_2)_eO-$, wherein e is 1, 2, 3, or 4, or R_3 and R_3' are taken together and are an oxo group; provided that when R_3 and R_3' are taken together then the atom to which they are bound is part of a double bond and when the atom to which R_3 and R_3' are bound then R_3 and R_3' are oxo;

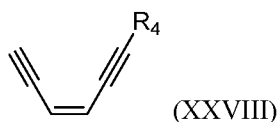
R_4 is hydrogen, alkylsilyl_(C≤12), or substituted alkylsilyl_(C≤12);

comprising reacting a compound of the formula:



wherein: R_2 , R_3 , and R_3' are as defined above;

with a compound of the formula:



wherein: R_4 is as defined above;

in the presence of an organolithium compound and a metal salt followed by the addition of an electrophilic compound.

196. The method of claim 195, wherein the organolithium compound is a strong lithium base.
197. The method of claim 196, wherein the organolithium compound is lithium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide.
- 5 198. The method according to any one of claims 195-197, wherein the metal salt is a mixture of metal salt.
199. The method of claim 198, wherein the mixture of metal salt is a first metal salt or a second metal salt.
200. The method of claim 199, wherein the first metal salt is a lanthanide metal salt.
201. The method of claim 200, wherein the first metal salt is LaCl_3 .
- 10 202. The method of claim 199, wherein the second metal salt is a lithium salt.
203. The method of claim 202, wherein the second metal salt is lithium chloride.
204. The method according to any one of claims 195-203, wherein the electrophilic compound is water.
- 15 205. The method according to any one of claims 195-203, wherein the electrophilic compound is a diacyl_(C_{≤18}) anhydride.
206. The method of claim 205, wherein the electrophilic compound is acetic anhydride.
207. The method according to any one of claims 176-207, wherein the method further comprises one or more deprotection steps.
- 20 208. The method according to any one of claims 144-208, wherein the method further comprises one or more purification steps.

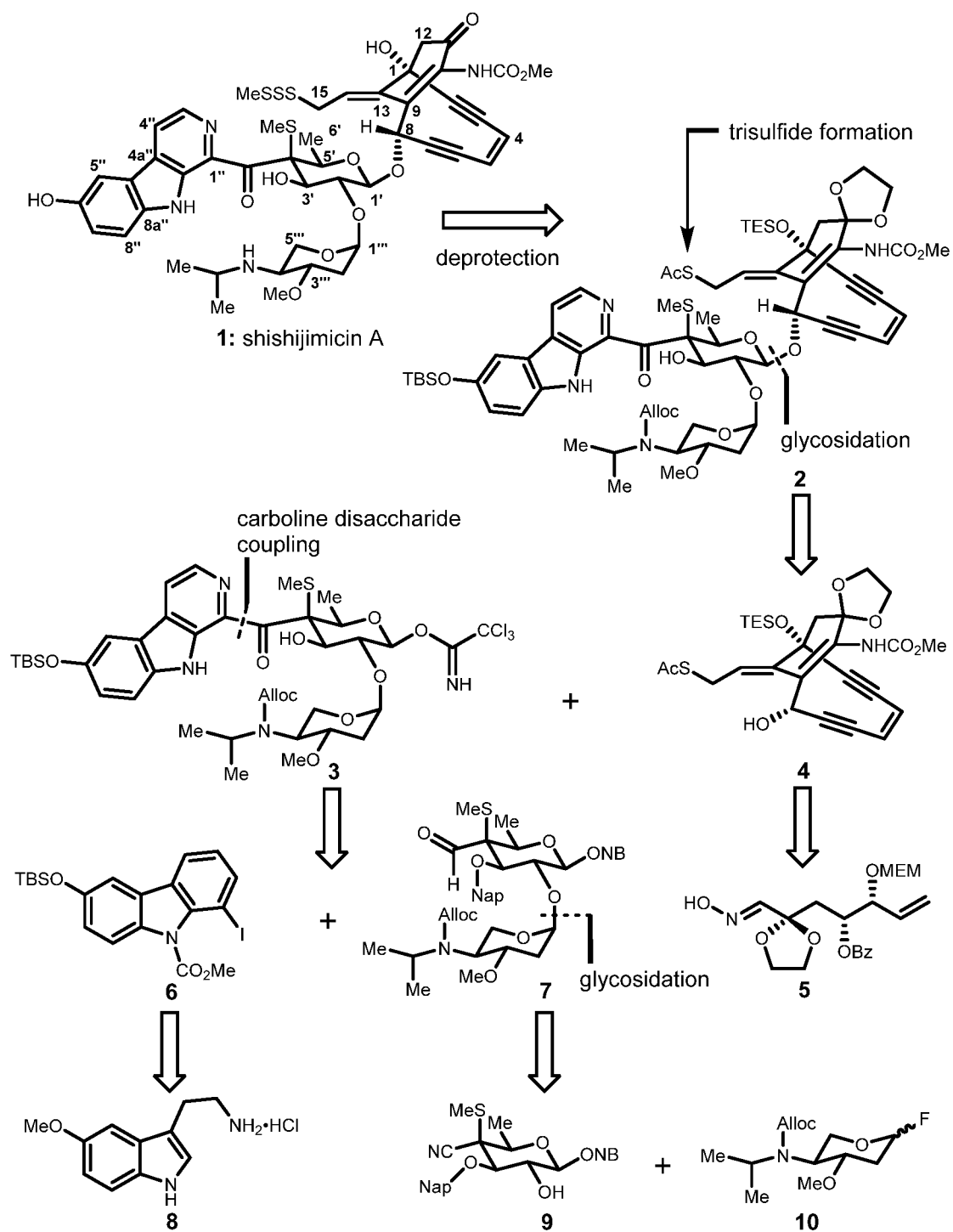
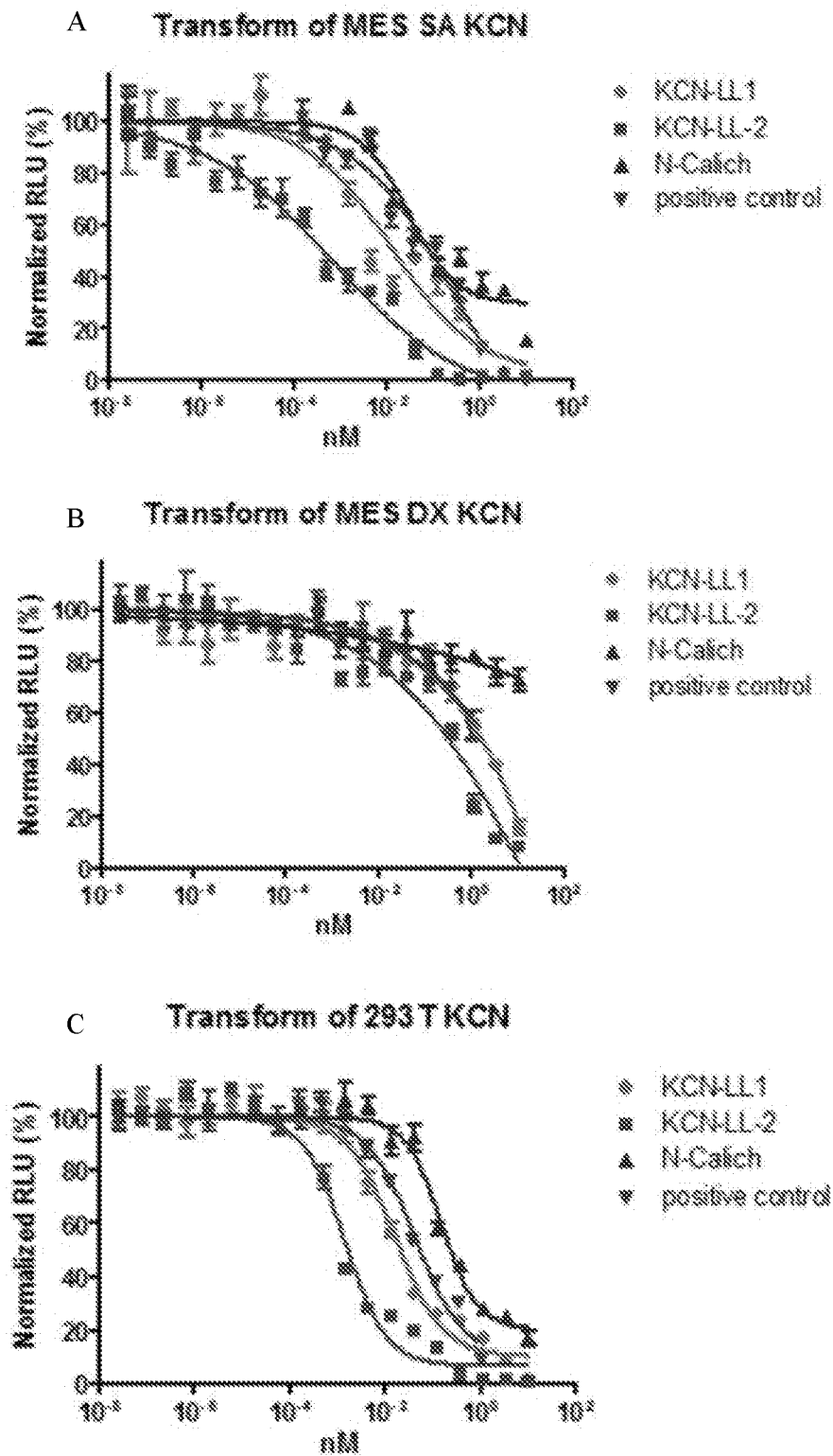
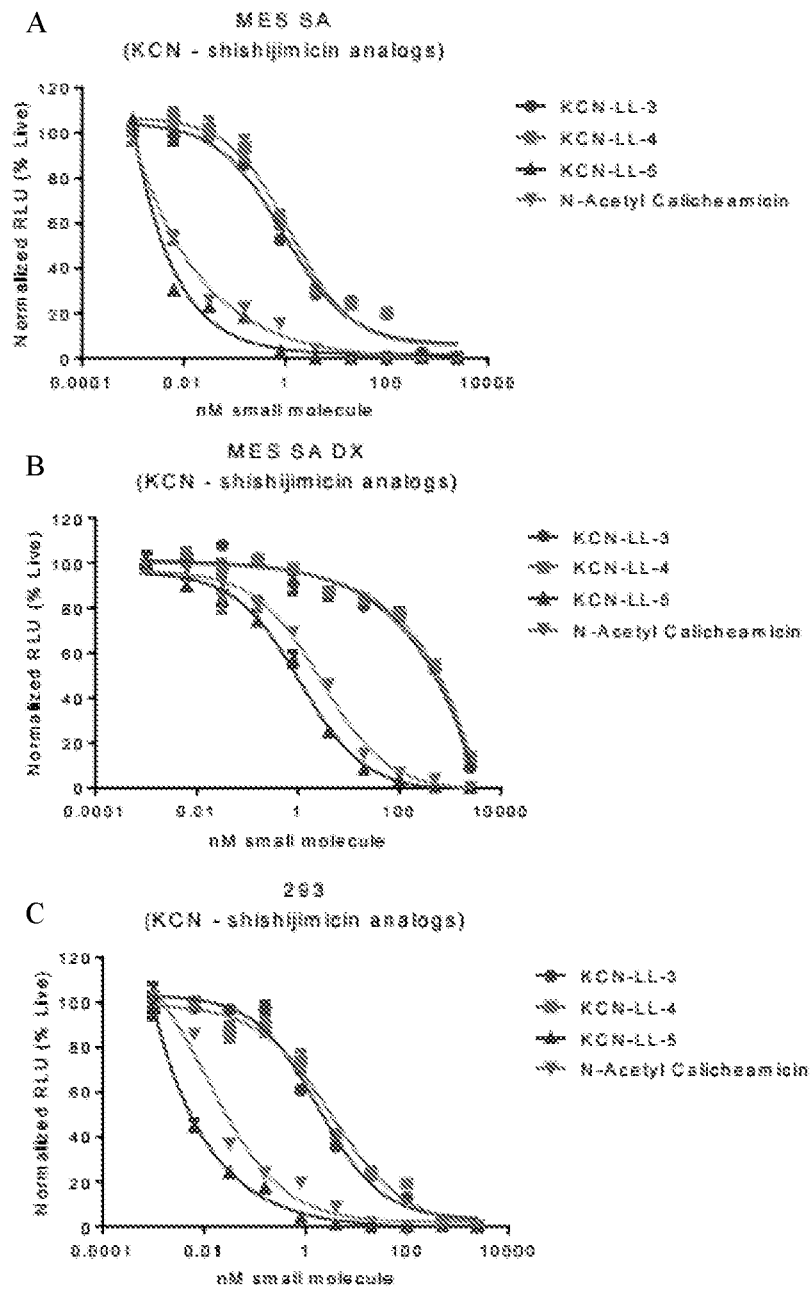


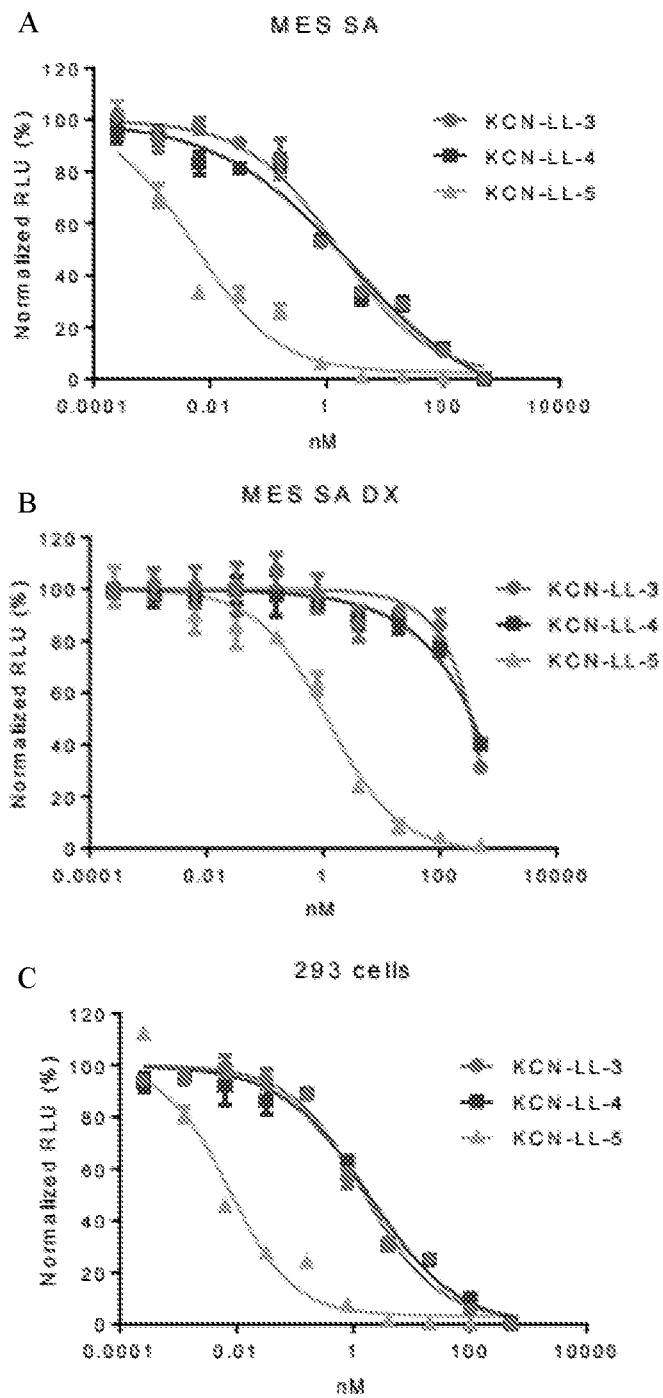
FIG. 1



FIGS. 2A-C



FIGS. 3A-3C



FIGS. 4A-4C

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Box No. II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
2. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:
3. ☒ Claims Nos.: 4-5, 10-33, 38-39, 44-143, 148-151, 157-159, 164-175, 179-189, 204-208
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box No. III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:
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1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims.
2. ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying additional fees, this Authority did not invite payment of additional fees.
3. ☐ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
4. ☒ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this international search report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.: 1-2 and 34-35

Remark on Protest

- ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest and, where applicable, the payment of a protest fee.
- ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest but the applicable protest fee was not paid within the time limit specified in the invitation.
- ☐ No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1.

Group I+: Claims 1-3, 6-9, 34-37 and 40-43, directed to compounds having the general formula (I). The compound of formula (I) will be searched to the extent that it encompasses the first species of claim 1, represented by the first formula of claim 1, wherein R1 is -alkanediyl(C1-8)-(S)x-A3; wherein A3 is hydrogen; and x is 1; R2 is hydroxy; R3 is NHC(Y2)R16, wherein; Y2 is O; R16 is alkoxy(C1-8); R4 and R5 are hydrogen; X1 is O; A1 is alkanediyl(C1-12)-C(O)-A2, wherein A2 is hydrogen. It is believed that claims 1-2 and 34-35 read on this first named invention, and thus these claims will be searched without fee to the extent that they encompass the first species of claims 1-2 and 34-35. Applicant is invited to elect additional compounds of claim 1, wherein each additional compound elected will require one additional invention fee. Applicants must specify the claims that encompass any additionally elected compound. Applicants must further indicate, if applicable, the claims which encompass the first named invention, if different than what was indicated above for this group. Failure to clearly identify how any paid additional invention fees are to be applied to the '+' group(s) will result in only the first claimed invention to be searched. Additionally, an exemplary election wherein different actual variables are selected is suggested. An exemplary election would be a compound of claim 1 wherein R1 is -alkanediyl(C1-8)-(S)x-A3; wherein A3 is hydrogen; and X is 1; R2 is hydroxy; R3 is NHC(Y2)R16, wherein; Y2 is O; R16 is alkoxy(C1-8); R4 and R5 are hydrogen; X1 is O; A1 is [the 1,4-diazepan-5-one moiety containing X2 and Y1] wherein Y1 is alkanediyl(C1-8); X2 and X3 is O; R6 is aryl(C1-18); R7 is alkyl(C1-12). (i.e., claims 1-2 and 6-7).

Group II: Claims 144-147, 152-156, 160-163, 176-178 and 190-203 directed to a method of preparing a compound of formula I and preparing compounds (formula XIIA, XIIB, XVI, XIX, XXIV and XXVI) used in the method of preparing the compound of formula I.

The group of inventions listed above do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons:

Special Technical Features:

Group I+ includes the technical feature of a unique compound of formula in claim 1, which is not required by any other invention of Group I+.

Group II includes the technical feature of a method of preparing a compound of formula I and preparing compounds (formula XIIA, XIIB, XVI, XIX, XXIV and XXVI) used in the method of preparing the compound of formula I, not required by Group I+.

Common technical features:

The inventions of Group I+ share the technical feature of compound of formula I in claim 1.

Groups I+ and II share the technical feature of a compound having the general formula of claim 1.

These shared technical features, however, do not provide a contribution over the prior art, as being obvious over an article entitled "Synthesis of the Carboline Disaccharide Domain of Shishijimicin A" to Nicolaou et al. (hereinafter Nicolaou) which discloses a compound of formula I wherein R1 is "alkanediyl(C1)-(S)x-A3; wherein A3 is alkyl(C1) and x is 3; R2 is hydroxy, R3 is NHC(Y2)R16, wherein, Y2 is O; and R16 is alkoxy(C1); R4 and R5 are hydrogen; X1 is O; A1 is the structure listed containing X4, wherein X4 is O; R8 is alkyl(C1); R9 is alkylthio(C1); R10 is oxo; R11 is hydroxy; R12 is the structure listed containing R21, wherein: R14 is NRaRb wherein Ra is hydrogen and Rb is alkyl (C3-isopropyl); R15 is alkoxy(C1); R20 and R21 are hydrogen; A2 is the structure listed wherein: X5 is NR18; wherein R18 is hydrogen; n is 1, wherein R13 is hydroxy; Z2 is N, Z3 and Z4 is CR13 wherein R13 is hydrogen, (pg. 3925, Figure 1, compound 1), but does not disclose a compound which is not one of the excluded compounds. However, Nicolaou further discloses additional compounds similar to the compound of formula I, wherein R13 is a substituted hydroxy group (TBSO) (pg. 3925, Figure 1, compound 2). It would have been obvious to one with skill in the art to prepare the disclosed compound, combining substituents of other similar disclosed compounds (wherein R13 is a substituted hydroxy group (TBSO)), giving a unique compound of formula I, through routine experimentation developing a synthetic route involving the disclosed compounds using common protecting groups for hydroxyl groups.

As said compound and compositions were known in the art at the time of the invention, these cannot be considered special technical features that would otherwise unify the inventions of Groups I+ and II.

Group I+ and II thus lack unity under PCT Rule 13.

Note:

Claim numbers 4-5, 10-33, 38-39, 44-143, 148-151, 157-159, 164-175, 179-189, 204-208 have been found to be unsearchable because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

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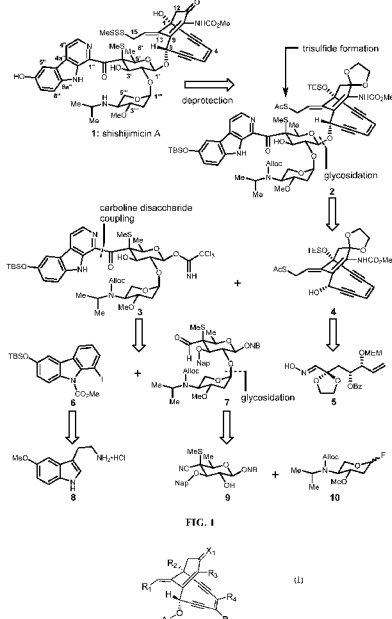
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(57) Abstract: In one aspect, the present disclosure provides shishijimicin analogs of the formula: wherein the variables are as defined herein. In another aspect, the present disclosure also provides methods of preparing the compounds disclosed herein. In another aspect, the present disclosure also provides pharmaceutical compositions and methods of use of the compounds disclosed herein. Additionally, antibody drug conjugates of the compounds are also provided.



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在一個方面，本發明提供如式所示的Shishijimicin類似物：其中變量如本發明所定義。在另一方面，本發明還提供製備本發明所涉及的化合物的方法。在另一方面，本發明還提供藥物組合物和使用本發明所涉及的化合物的方法。另外，本發明提供了化合物的抗體藥物綴合物。