Supporting Information

An Electrophilic Natural Product Provides a Safe and Robust Odor Neutralization Approach to Counteract Malodorous Organosulfur Metabolites Encountered in Skunk Spray

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Synthesis of the pericosine A analogs 19 and 20



To a round bottom flask with shikimic acid (50 mmol, 8.70 g) and camphorsulfonic acid (CSA) (10 mol %, 5 mmol, 1.16 g) was added methanol (100 mL). This solution was then refluxed overnight followed by concentration under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by recrystallization from ethyl acetate (125 mL) to yield (-)-methylshikimate (7.04 g, 75 % yield). To a solution of (-)-methylshikimate (37.4 mmol, 7.04 g) and cyclohexanone (1.5 equiv, 56.1 mmol, 5.8 mL) in THF (75 mL) was added CSA (10 mol %, 3.74 mmol, 868 mg). The reactant mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. Upon completion, as judged by TLC, the reaction was then concentrated under reduced pressure and purified using a silica gel column, eluting with 5 % acetone/DCM to produce compound **13** (9.02 g, 90 % yield).

(-)-methylshikimate: white solid; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, D₂O) δ 6.76 (dt, *J* = 3.8, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.39 (td, *J* = 4.0, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 3.97 (ddd, *J* = 8.1, 6.2, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 2.69 (ddt, *J* = 18.2, 5.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 2.18 (ddt, *J* = 18.1, 6.3, 1.7 Hz, 1H).

(**3a***S*,**4***R*,**7a***R*)-methyl 4-hydroxy-3a,4,5,7a-tetrahydrospiro[benzo[*d*][1,3]dioxole-2,1'-cyclohexane]-6-carboxylate (15)^[3]: white solid; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.97 (ddd, *J* = 3.5, 2.2, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (t, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (td, *J* = 8.0, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 2.83 (dd, *J* = 17.4, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 2.35 – 2.16 (m, 1H), 2.08 (s, 1H), 1.78 – 1.29 (m, 10H).



To a three-neck round bottom flask equipped with an addition funnel was added **13** (15 mmol, 4.02 g), and DCM (150 m). Pyridine (1 equiv, 15 mmol, 1.21 mL) was added followed by DMAP (3 mol %, 0.45 mmol, 55 mg). The solution was cooled down to 0°C. A solution of Tf₂O (1.2 equiv, 18 mmol, 3.04 m) in DCM (70 m) was then added dropwise over 15 min. The reactant mixture was stirred at 0°C

for 5 min. The ice bath was then removed and the mixture was warmed to room temperature. Upon completion as judged by TLC (5% acetone/DCM) the reaction was worked up by quenching with NaHCO₃, and partitioning with 3x EtOAc, drying over sodium sulfate, and concentrating under reduced pressure. Purification was performed using a silica gel column, eluting with 100% DCM to yield compound **14** (4.12 g, 69 % yield, containing 4 wt% DCM).

(3aR,4R,7aR)-methyl 4-(((trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl)oxy)-3a,4,5,7a-

tetrahydrospiro[benzo[*d*][1,3]dioxole-2,1'-cyclohexane]-6-carboxylate (14)^[4]: colorless oil; ¹H NMR (300 MHz,CDCl₃) δ 7.03 (ddd, *J* = 3.6, 2.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (td, *J* = 8.0, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.89 – 4.79 (m, 1H), 4.33 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.06 (ddt, *J* = 17.5, 4.9, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (ddt, *J* = 17.5, 8.4, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 1.80 – 1.32 (m, 10H).



To a solution of 14 (9.46 mmol, 3.79 g) in DMF (10 mL) was added CsOAc (1 equiv, 9.46 mmol, 1.81 g) at 0°C. After complete addition, the ice/water bath was removed and the reaction was warmed to room temperature with stirring overnight. Upon completion as judged by TLC (100% DCM), the reaction was quenched with NH₄Cl. The aqueous layer was partitioned 3x with MTBE. The organic extracts were combined and washed once with brine, dried over sodium sulfate, and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification was performed using a silica gel column, eluting with 100% DCM to produce compound **15** (1.02 g, 43 % yield, containing 2.6 wt% DCM). The diene decomposes readily and therefore was used immediately in the next step.

(**3a***R*,**7a***S*)-methyl **3a**,**7a**-dihydrospiro[benzo[*d*][**1**,**3**]dioxole-2,**1**'-cyclohexane]-5-carboxylate (**15**)^[4-5]: colorless oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.90 (dt, *J* = 3.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (dt, *J* = 10.0, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 4.83 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 1.76 – 1.27 (m, 10H).



To a solution of **15** (3.86 mmol, 967 mg) and NaHCO₃ (10 equiv, 38.6 mmol, 3.24 g) in H₂O (16 mL) and 1,1,1-trifluoroacetone (16 mL), oxone was added in 4 portions every 15 min (2 equiv, 7.73 mmol, 1.18 g x 4) at -15°C. After complete addition, the reactant mixture was a stirred at -15°C for 3 h and then warm naturally to 10°C. After stirring for an additional hour at 10°C, the reaction was completed as judged by TLC (1% acetone/DCM). The reactant mixture was diluted with MTBE and treated with NaHCO₃. The aqueous layer was partitioned 3x with MTBE. The organic layers were combined and dried over sodium sulfate and concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification was performed using a silica gel column, eluting with 100% DCM to 2.5% acetone/ DCM to yield compound **16** (609 mg, 60 % yield, containing 6.5 wt % DCM).

(3a'R,5a'R,6a'R,6b'R)-methyl 3a',5a',6a',6b'-tetrahydrospiro[cyclohexane-1,2'-

oxireno[2',3':3,4]benzo[1,2-*d***][1,3]dioxole]-5'-carboxylate** (**16**)^[4]: colorless oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.85 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.60 (dd, *J* = 6.7, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (dd, *J* = 3.9, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.70 (br dd, *J* = 3.7, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 1.70 – 1.35 (m, 10H).



To a nitrogen sparged flask was added a solution of **16** (2.0 mmol, 534 mg) in Et_2O (9.5 mL) at 0°C followed by HCl (1M) in Et_2O (1.5 equiv, 3.0 mmol, 3.0 mL). The reactant mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred overnight. The reactant mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification was performed using a silica gel column, eluting with 2% MeOH/DCM to yield compounds **17** (386.6 mg, 64 % yield, containing 2.6 wt% DCM and 3.3 wt% acetone) and **18** (148.4 mg, 25 % yield, contains 3.9 wt % DCM).

(3a*S*,4*S*,5*S*,7a*R*)-methyl 5-chloro-4-hydroxy-3a,4,5,7a-tetrahydrospiro[benzo[*d*][1,3]dioxole-2,1'cyclohexane]-6-carboxylate (17)^[4-5]: colorless oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.91 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (m, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 4.77 – 4.74 (m, 1H), 4.44 (q, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 1H), 4.32 (t, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.33 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.77 – 1.32 (m, 10H).

(3a*S*,4*S*,7*R*,7a*S*)-methyl 4-chloro-7-hydroxy-3a,4,7,7a-tetrahydrospiro[benzo[*d*][1,3]dioxole-2,1'cyclohexane]-5-carboxylate (18)^[4-5]: colorless oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.86 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (dt, *J* = 6.6, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (ddd, *J* = 10.5, 6.3, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 2.22 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.67 – 1.32 (m, 10H).



To a solution of **17** (1.16 mmol, 354.1 mg) in MeOH (15 mL), acetyl chloride (3 drops) was added. After completion of the reaction as judged by TLC, the solution was concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification was performed using reverse phase chromatography, eluting with 60% MeOH/H₂O. This yielded an inseparable mixture of product and impurities. Therefore, impure product **19** (166 mg) was placed in a round bottom flask with CSA (10 mol%, 0.074, 17 mg) and acetone (8 mL). The reaction was stirred at room temperature overnight. Upon completion as determined by ¹H NMR, the reactant mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified using a silica gel column, eluting with 5% acetone/DCM, to yield the acetonide derivative **19** (52.3 mg, 27 % yield), which was used directly in the next step. To a solution of the acetonide (0.19 mmol, 52.3 mg) in MeOH (2.5 mL), 3 drops of acetyl chloride were added. The solution was stirred overnight at room temperature and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resultant mixture was placed in a freezer and recrystallized to yield pure compound **19** (42.8 mg, 17 % yield).

(*3R*,4*R*,5*S*,6*S*)-methyl 6-chloro-3,4,5-trihydroxycyclohex-1-enecarboxylate (19)^[5a]: white solid; ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, see Table S3; HRESIMS m/z 223.0374, [M+H]⁺ (calcd for C₈H₁₂ClO₅, 223.0368).



To a solution of **18** (0.49 mmol, 148.9 mg) in MeOH (6.2 mL), 3 drops of acetyl chloride were added. After completion of the reaction as judged by TLC, the solution was concentrated under reduced pressure. Purification was performed using reverse phase chromatography, eluting with 60% MeOH/H₂O, to produce compound **20** (87.6 mg, 80 % yield).

Pericosine Do (20)^[6]: white solid; ¹H and ¹³C NMR data, see Table S3; HRESIMS m/z 223.0373, $[M+H]^+$ (calcd for C₈H₁₂ClO₅, 223.0368).

Empirical formula	$C_{22} H_{24} N_2 O_4 S_3$
Formula weight	476.61
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	$P2_1/n$
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 12.2411(8) \text{ Å} \alpha = 90^{\circ}$
	$b = 8.5886(6) \text{ Å} \qquad \beta = 94.469(3)^{\circ}$
	$c = 22.1443(15) \text{ Å} \gamma = 90^{\circ}$
Volume	2321.0(3) Å ³
Z, Z'	4, 1
Density (calculated)	1.364 Mg/m ³
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Temperature	100(2) K
F(000)	1000
Absorption coefficient	0.350 mm ⁻¹
Absorption correction	semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.7471 and 0.7049
Theta range for data collection	2.545 to 36.349°
Reflections collected	105369
Independent reflections	11275 [R(int) = 0.0493]
Data / restraints / parameters	11275 / 0 / 283
$wR(F^2 \text{ all data})$	wR2 = 0.1063
R(F obsd data)	R1 = 0.0338
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.000
Observed data $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$	9370
Largest and mean shift / s.u.	0.003 and 0.000
Largest diff. peak and hole	$0.655 \text{ and } -0.438 \text{ e}/\text{Å}^3$

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for compound 3

Table S2. Calculated carbon chemical shifts of selected carbon atoms for the C-6 epimers of 7, 8, and 12.

Carbon	7a ^a	7b ^a	8a ^a	8b ^a	12a ^b	12b ^b
1	139.2	136.8	139.6	138.3	131.7	132.5
2	143.2	148.3	144.6	148.7	132.5	131.5
3	70.9	72.7	71.5	72.2	65.2	69.3
4	70.1	77.1	71.6	76.4	66.6	68.6
5	80.9	73.2	80.2	72.5	76.0	70.6
6	52.7	53.1	49.3	52.5	48.9	48.7
7	173.2	172.7	174.4	173.6	159.0	159.6
8	53.7	53.6	53.8	53.6	51.3	51.2

^a Calculated using B3LYP/6-311+G(2d,p) in gas phase; ^b Calculated using B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) in gas phase.

Table S3. The results of the AMES IITM assay^a of **4**.

Compound	Precipiate	TA	98 ^b	TA	Mix ^b
	(µg/mL)	-S9 ^c	+\$9	-S9	+\$9
4	≥1000	Negetive ^d	Negetive	Negetive	Negetive

^aFrom the service provider – BioReliance. The assay was performed following the standard protocol as described in *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, **1994**, *91*, 11606-11610. The purpose of this study is to evaluate the mutagenic potential of the test article by measuring its ability to induce reverse mutations at selected loci of the tester strains in the presense and absence of S9 activation. ^b *Salmonella* tester strains. The TA98 strain is used for the detection of frameshift mutations. TA_{Mix} is a mixture of six tester strains which are designed to revert by one specific base-pair substitution out of all possible changes. ^c Exogenous metabolic activation system containing majorly S9 liver homogenate (30%) and other reagents. ^d One or more test article concentrations had at least a two-fold increase in the number of positive wells. However, the average number of positive wells was within the historical vehicle control range and this increase was not dose dependent. Therefore the conclusion was negative.



Figure S1. Structures of compounds 1-36.



Figure S2. Comparison of the ¹H (A) and ¹³C (B) NMR spectra of chloramine-T (blue) and Product A (red, residue after evaporation of solvent). All spectra were measured in methanol- d_4 .



Figure S3. The fungal metabolite pericosine A (4) reacts with natural and synthetic nucleophiles to form pericosine-nucleophile adducts. All the pericosine-nucleophile conjugated products were generated by providing the nucleophilic compounds directly to the culture broth of *Tolypocladium* sp. MEA-2.



Figure S4. LCMS analysis for the reactions of pericosine A (4) with selected sulfur-containing compounds (1, 2, 5, and 6). Compound 4 (1 equiv) was mixed with 1 [1 equiv, (A) and (B)], 2 [1 equiv, (C) and (D)], 5 [1 equiv, (E) and (F)], or 6 ([1 equiv, (G) and (H)], respectively, in 50% MeOH with [(A), (C), (E), and (G)] / without [(B), (D), (F), and (H)] the presence of Et_3N (2 equiv). The reaction mixtures were kept static overnight at room temperature prior to LCMS analysis (210 nm UV traces were shown).



Figure S5. The absolute configurations of **7**, **8**, and **12**. (A) Structures of **7a**, **7b**, **8a**, **8b**, **12a**, and **12b**. B3LYP/6-311+G(2d,p) was used to calculate the specific rotation value and ECD spectrum of **7a** and B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) was used to calculate the specific rotation value of **12a**. (B)–(D) Comparison of the experimental (**7**, **8**, and **12**) and calculated (**7a**, **7b**, **8a**, **8b**, **12a**, and **12b**) differences of carbon chemical shifts between C_4 and C_3 and between C_5 and C_3 . B3LYP/6-311+G(2d,p) was used to calculate the ¹³C chemical shifts of **7a**, **7b**, **8a**, and **8b**, and B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) was used to calculate the ¹³C chemical shifts of **7a**, **7b**, **8a**, and **8b**, and B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) was used to calculate the ¹³C chemical shifts of **12a** and **12b**. (E) and (F) Chiral HPLC analysis of **7** [(E), solid line, **7** obtained from the reaction conditions: **4** : **1** : Et₃N = 1 : 1.5 : 2; dashed line, **7** obtained from the reaction conditions: **4** : **1** : Et₃N = 1 : 1.5 : 10]. HPLC conditions: (E) Lux cellulose-2 analytical column, 30% MeCN elution, 200 nm; (F) Lux cellulose-3 analytical column, 25% MeCN elution, 200 nm. (G) Comparison of the experimental and calculate the ECD spectra of **7a**, *and ent-7a.*



Figure S6. Investigating the mechanism of the formation of **7**. **4** (1 equiv) was mixed with **1** [1 equiv for (A) and (B); 0.5 equiv for (C) and (D)] in 50% MeOH containing $Et_{3}N$ [2 equiv for (A) and (B); 10 equiv for (C) and (D)]. The reactant mixtures were analyzed by LCMS at different time points [(A) and (C) 1 min; (B) and (D) 120 min]. (E) Chiral-HPLC analysis of **7** derived from different conditions. The reactants/reagents were incubated in 50% MeOH overnight prior to HPLC analysis. The initial ratios of reactants/reagents were shown on the chromatograms. HPLC conditions: Lux cellulose-2 analytical column, 30% MeCN elution, 200 nm.



Figure S7. The mechanism of Et_3 N-catalyzed formation of **8** by the reaction between pericosine A (**4**) and 4bromo-alpha-toluene thioacetate (**2**). (A)-(C) **4** (1 equiv) was mixed with **2** (1 equiv) in 50% MeOH containing Et_3 N (2 equiv). The reactant mixtures were injected into LCMS at different time [(A) 1 min; (B) 30 min; (C) overnight] after the mixing. d) **4** (1 equiv) was mixed with **2** (1.5 equiv) in 50% MeOH containing Et_3 N (10 equiv). The reactant mixtures were analyzed by LCMS after the overnight reaction. *Unidentified minor products. The structure of minor product **31** was identified in following experiments. (E) Chiral HPLC analysis of **8** that was produced in 50% MeOH under different reaction conditions. The ratio of reactants/reagents in each reaction was shown on the chromatograms. HPLC conditions Lux cellulose-3 analytical column, 25% MeCN elution, 200 nm. (F) The proposed mechanism of the reaction between **4** and **2**.



Figure S8. LCMS analysis of the pericosine analogs **4**, **19** and **20** (A) and the reactions of **19** and **20** with sulfurcontaining compounds **1** and **2** in 50% MeOH with the presence of Et_3 N (B). The reaction mixtures were kept static overnight at room temperature prior to LCMS analysis (210 nm UV traces were shown). The ratio of reactants/reagents in each reaction was shown on the chromatograms. [#]The separation of the two peaks were resolved by HPLC using a longer C18 column (Gemini 5 µm C18, 110 Å, 250 × 4.6 mm). *Unidentified minor products.





Figure S9. Comparison (A) and principle components analysis (PCA) (B) of the ${}^{3}J_{H,H}$ coupling constants of **19**, **20**, **6**-*epi*-**19**, **6**-*epi*-**20**, and **22**-**28**. The PCA was performed using the CAMO Unscrambler® X 10.3 software.



a. ¹³C chemical shifts were not assigned for indicated positions. b. Spectra were measured in acetone- d_6 . All other spectra were measured in methanol- d_4 .

Figure S10. Comparison of the ¹³C NMR-derived chemical shifts (δ) of 19, 20, 6-epi-19, 6-epi-20, and 22-28.



Figure S11. Comparing the ${}^{3}J_{H,H}$ coupling constants of **21** with selected model compounds.



Figure S12. Investigating the mechanism of Et_3N -catalyzed formation of **23-25** from the reactions between **19** and **1. 19** (1 equiv) was mixed with Et_3N (2 equiv) in 50% MeOH and the reactant mixture was analyzed by LCMS at different times [(A) 1 min; (B) 15 min; (C) 60 min] after the mixing. (D) The overlaid LCMS chromatograms (UV 210 nm) showing comparative production of **23-25** in 50% MeOH under different reaction conditions. The ratio of reactants/reagents in each reaction is shown on the chromatograms. The LCMS runs were extended to 40 min to generate better separation of the target analytes. (E) The proposed mechanisms of Et_3N -catalyzed Nu-substitution of **19** by MeOH and **1** in 50% MeOH.

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base	Production of 8 (Y/N)	base	Production of 8 (Y/N)	base	Production of 8 (Y/N)
Ca(OH) ₂	Ν	triethylenetetramine	Y	quaternium-15	Ν
K ₂ CO ₃	Y	diethylenetriamine	Y	polyquaternium-2	Ν
NaHCO ₃	Ν	ethylenediamine	Y	ectoine	Ν
Nal	Ν	spermine	Y	aminoguanidine	Ν
triethanolamine	Ν	L-arginine	Ν	protoporphyrin IX	Ν
linear PEI	Ν	L-histidine	Ν	Tris base	Ν
cyclam	Y	ethanolamine	N	urea	Ν

Figure S13. Catalytic effects of selected basic compounds in the reactions between 4 and 2.



Figure S14. Spermine (**29**) catalyzed reactions of pericosine A (**4**). (A)-(D) Comparison of the catalytic abilities of $Et_{3}N$ [2 equiv, (A)] and **30** [2 equiv, (B)-(D)] for the reactions between **4** [1 equiv for (A)-(C) and 2 equiv for (D)] and **2** (1 equiv) in H_2O [(A) and (B)] and 50% propylene glycol [PG, (C) and (D)]. All the reactant mixtures were kept static overnight prior to LCMS analysis. *The peak may be a racemic or a scalemic mixture of **30** and *ent-30*, which could not be resolved by chiral HPLC analysis using Lux cellulose-2 or cellulose-3 column. (E)-(G) Time-dependent formation of **31** by the reaction between **4** and **29** in 50% PG. **4** (1 equiv) was mixed with **29** (2 equiv) in 50% PG and the reactant mixture was analyzed by LCMS at different times [(E) 1 min; (F) 15 min; (G) 60 min] after mixing. The UV chromatograms (monitored at 210 nm) are displayed for (A)-(G). h) Synthesis of the addition product (**30**) of periecosine A and spermine. i) Synthesis of **8** and **31** via the reaction between **2** and **4** catalyzed by **29**.



Figure S15. Generating the TFA salt of **30** (**TFA-30**). The selected ¹H NMR resonances, specific rotations, and ECD spectral data were compared between **30** and **TFA-30**.



Figure S16. Investigating the mechanism of spermine-catalyzed reaction between **4** and **2** in 50% PG. (A)-(D) LCMS analysis of the reactions between **30** and **2** and between **8** and **29**. The ratio of reactants/reagents in each reaction are shown in the chromatograms. The reactant mixtures were kept static overnight at room temperature prior to LCMS analysis (210 nm UV traces were shown). *The peak may be a racemic or a scalemic mixture of **30** and *ent-30*. #Unidentified minor products. (E)-(H) Chiral HPLC analysis of **8** that was produced in 50% PG [(E)-(G)] or 50% MeOH (H) under different conditions. The ratio of reactants/reagents in each reaction is shown on the chromatograms. HPLC conditions: Lux cellulose-3 analytical column, 25% MeCN elution, 200 nm.



Figure S17. LCMS analysis of the reactions between skunk anal gland secretion (SE) and thiol-reactive compounds (**4**, **19**, **20**, and chloramine-T). The purchased WCSTM skunk essence (SE, 100% pure) was diluted in CH₂Cl₂ as 1 : 100. All other reagents (**4**, **19**, **20**, chloramine-T, **29**, and Et₃N) were dissolved in DMSO to make 100 mM solutions. Reaction conditions: (A) 3 μ L SE in 50% PG; (B) 3 μ L SE, 3 μ L **4**, and 6 μ L Et₃N in 50% MeOH; (C) 3 μ L SE, 3 μ L **4**, and 6 μ L **29** in 50% PG; (F) 3 μ L SE, 3 μ L **20**, and 6 μ L **29** in 50% PG; (F) 3 μ L SE, 3 μ L chloramine-T, and 6 μ L **29** in 50% PG. The reactant mixtures were kept static overnight at room temperature prior to LCMS analysis (210 nm UV traces are shown). *Major products of the reaction between chloramine-T and SE. (G) The structures of the major products (**32-36**) from the reaction (B) between **4** and SE were predicted by analysis of their MS data. The corresponding thiol precursors were reported^[7] from different SE samples.



Conformer 2, RE = 0.69 kcal/mol (17.6%)

Conformer 1, RE = 0.46 kcal/mol (25.7%)



Conformer 3, RE = 0 kcal/mol (36.2%)

Figure S18. Optimized geometries, relative energies, and Boltzmann populations of the calculated lowest-energy conformers of 7a at the 6-311+G(2d,p) level in the gas phase.



 $Conformer \ 1, RE = 1.1 \ kcal/mol \ (4.1\%) \ Conformer \ 2, RE = 0.06 \ kcal/mol \ (21.6\%) \ Conformer \ 3, RE = 0.69 \ kcal/mol \ (7.5\%) \ Kcal/mol \ (7.5\%) \ Conformer \ 3, RE = 0.69 \ kcal/mol \ (7.5\%) \ Conformer \ 3, RE = 0.69 \ kcal/mol \ (7.5\%) \ Conformer \ 3, RE = 0.69 \ kcal/mol \ (7.5\%) \ Conformer \ 3, RE = 0.69 \ kcal/mol \$



Conformer 4, RE = 1.0 kcal/mol (4.1%) Conformer 5, RE = 1.5 kcal/mol (2.0%) Conformer 6, RE = 0.38 kcal/mol (12.6%)



Conformer 7, RE = 0.11 kcal/mol (19.9%) Conformer 8, RE = 0 kcal/mol (24.0%) Conformer 9, RE = 1.0 kcal/mol (4.1%)

Figure S19. Optimized conformers of **7b** at the 6-311+G(2d,p) level in the gas phase.





Conformer 1, RE = 0.44 kcal/mol (32.1%)

Conformer 2, RE = 0 kcal/mol (67.9%)

Figure S20. Optimized conformers of **8a** at the 6-311+G(2d,p) level in the gas phase.



Conformer 1, RE = 1.4 kcal/mol (4.1%)



Conformer 3, RE = 1.1 kcal/mol (7.0%)



Conformer 5, RE = 1.4 kcal/mol (4.1%)



Conformer 2, RE = 0 kcal/mol (46.9%)



Conformer 4, RE = 1.8 kcal/mol (2.1%)



Conformer 6, RE = 0.15 kcal/mol (35.9%)

Figure S21. Optimized conformers of **8b** at the 6-311+G(2d,p) level in the gas phase.



Conformer 1, RE = 1.8 kcal/mol (2.5%) Conformer 2, RE = 1.9 kcal/mol (2.1%) Conformer 3, RE = 0 kcal/mol (51.2%)



 $Conformer \ 4, \ RE = 0.37 \ kcal/mol \ (27.4\%) \ Conformer \ 5, \ RE = 1.4 \ kcal/mol \ (5.1\%) \ Conformer \ 6, \ RE = 1.6 \ kcal/mol \ (3.5\%) \$



Conformer 7, RE = 1.1 kcal/mol (8.2%)

Figure S22. Optimized conformers of **12a** at the 6-31G(d,p) level in the gas phase.



 $Conformer \ 1, RE = 0.8 \ kcal/mol \ (10.5\%) \quad Conformer \ 2, RE = 1.5 \ kcal/mol \ (3.6\%) \quad Conformer \ 3, RE = 1.1 \ kcal/mol \ (6.7\%) \ Kcal/mol \ (6.7\%) \$



Conformer 4, RE = 0.9 kcal/mol (9.1%) Conformer 5, RE = 1.3 kcal/mol (4.5%) Conformer 6, RE = 1.5 kcal/mol (3.6%)



Conformer 7, RE = 0.6 kcal/mol (15.1%) Conformer 8, RE = 0 kcal/mol (44.0%) Conformer 9, RE = 1.6 kcal/mol (2.8%)

Figure S23. Optimized conformers of **12b** at the 6-31G(d,p) level in the gas phase.













































































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Figure S102. HMBC (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C) spectrum of 31







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