

Supporting Information

Semisynthetic Derivatives of Sesquiterpene Lactones by Palladium-Catalyzed Arylation of the α -Methylene- γ -lactone Substructure

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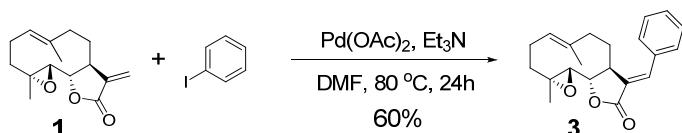
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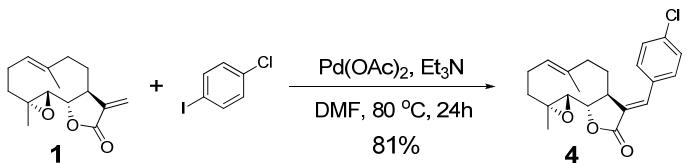
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I. Experimental Procedures and Characterization Data

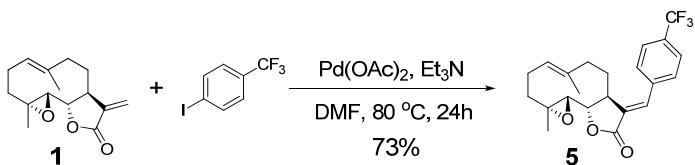
Representative Reaction Procedure. A mixture of parthenolide (10 mg, 0.04 mmol), triethylamine (17 μ L, 0.12 mmol), and iodobenzene (5 μ L, 0.045 mmol) in DMF (200 μ L) was treated with palladium (II) acetate (0.5 mg, 0.002 mmol) and then heated at 80 °C under air. After 24 h, the reaction mixture was allowed to cool to rt, water (2 mL) was added, and the resultant mixture was extracted with Et₂O (2 mL \times 5). The organics were dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. SiO₂ flash chromatography (19:1–7:3 hexanes/EtOAc) afforded the (*E*)-13-phenylparthenolide product **3** as a solid (7.8 mg) in 60% yield.



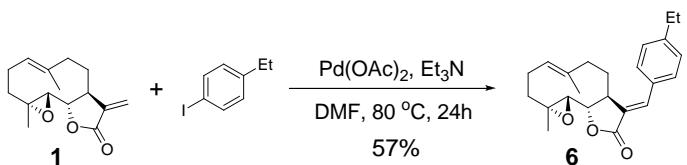
(E)-13-phenylparthenolide **3.** See representative reaction procedure: mp 196–198 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.46–7.35 (m, 5H), 5.29 (d, *J* = 11.5 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.32 (m, 1H), 2.84 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (m, 1H), 2.27–2.09 (m, 5H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 1.42 (m, 1H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 1.27 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 138.2, 134.8, 133.5, 129.8 (2), 129.7, 129.0, 128.5 (2), 125.0, 83.0, 66.5, 61.6, 46.8, 41.8, 36.1, 30.1, 24.3, 17.5, 17.4; IR (film) ν _{max} 2928, 1753, 1644, 1193 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI) *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₂₄O₃ (M)⁺ 324.1725, found 324.1732; [α]_D²⁵ +142 (*c* 0.73, CHCl₃).



(E)-13-(4-chlorophenyl)-parthenolide 4. See representative reaction procedure. Triethylamine (6 equiv.) and 1-chloro-4-iodobenzene (2 equiv.) were used. SiO₂ flash chromatography (8:2 hexanes/EtOAc) afforded the title compound as a solid in 81% yield: mp 188–190 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.61 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.28 (dd, *J* = 12.1, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (m, 1H), 2.83 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (m, 1H), 2.27–2.14 (m, 4H), 2.11–2.04 (m, 1H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 1.49–1.40 (m, 1H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 1.27 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.6, 136.7, 135.7, 134.6, 132.0, 131.0 (2), 129.7, 129.0 (2), 125.2, 83.0, 66.5, 61.7, 46.7, 41.8, 36.1, 30.0, 24.3, 17.5, 17.4; IR (film) ν_{max} 2929, 1752, 1646, 1191, 1089 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI) *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₂₃ClO₃ (M)⁺ 358.1336, found 358.1333; [α]_D²⁶ +202 (*c* 0.56, CHCl₃).

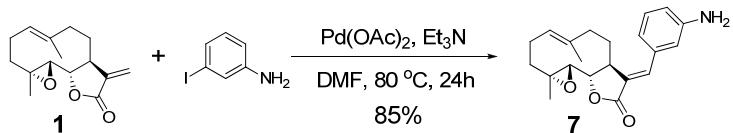


(E)-13-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-parthenolide 5. See representative reaction procedure. Triethylamine (6 equiv.) and 4-iodobenzotrifluoride (1.5 equiv.) were used. SiO₂ flash chromatography (75:20:5 hexanes/EtOAc/THF) afforded the title compound as a solid in 73% yield: mp 182–184 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 3.7 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 5.28 (d, *J* = 11.5 Hz, 1H), 3.97 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.32 (m, 1H), 2.84 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (m, 1H), 2.27–2.14 (m, 4H), 2.04–1.98 (m, 1H), 1.67 (s, 3H), 1.45 (m, 1H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 1.27 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.2, 137.1, 136.2, 134.6, 131.7, 131.2 (q, ²J_{CF} = 33 Hz, 1C), 129.8 (2), 125.5 (q, ³J_{CF} = 3 Hz, 2C), 125.2, 123.7 (q, ¹J_{CF} = 247 Hz, 1C), 83.1, 66.4, 61.7, 46.7, 41.8, 36.1, 30.2, 24.3, 17.4, 17.3; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.9; IR (film) ν_{max} 2931, 1754, 1324, 1066 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m/z* calcd for C₂₂H₂₃F₃O₃ (M+Na)⁺ 415.1497, found 415.1499; [α]_D²⁵ +108 (*c* 1.15, CHCl₃).

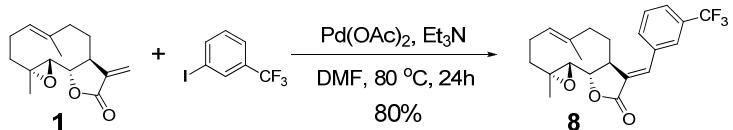


(E)-13-(4-ethylphenyl)-parthenolide 6. See representative reaction procedure. Triethylamine (6 equiv.) and 1-ethyl-4-iodobenzene (2 equiv.) were used. SiO₂ flash chromatography (6:2:2 hexanes/Et₂O/EtOAc) afforded the title compound as a solid in 57% yield: mp 160–163 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.65 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 5.30 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.33–3.29 (m, 1H), 2.86 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.48–2.40 (m, 1H), 2.25–2.17 (m, 5H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 1.46–1.38 (m, 1H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H), 1.21 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.1, 146.4, 138.3, 134.8, 130.8, 130.1 (2), 128.1 (2), 127.8, 125.1, 82.9, 66.5, 61.6,

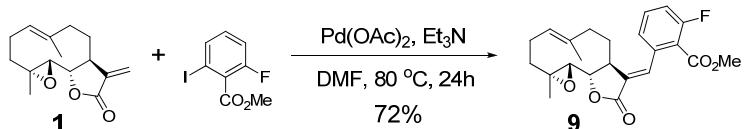
46.8, 41.9, 36.1, 30.0, 28.8, 24.3, 17.5, 17.4, 15.2; IR (film) ν_{max} 2963, 2930, 1750, 1643, 1193 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for C₂₃H₂₈O₃ (M+H)⁺ 353.2117, found 353.2115; [α]_D²² +99 (*c* 0.67, CHCl₃).



(E)-13-(3-aminophenyl)-parthenolide 7. See representative reaction procedure. Triethylamine (6 equiv.) and 3-iodoaniline (2 equiv.) were used. SiO₂ flash chromatography (1:1 hexanes/EtOAc) afforded the title compound as a solid in 85% yield: mp 95–98 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.58 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (s, 1H), 6.69 (m, 1H), 5.27 (d, *J* = 12.2 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (br s, 2H), 3.27 (m, 1H), 2.83 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (m, 1H), 2.25–2.15 (m, 5H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 1.40 (m, 1H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 1.27 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.1, 146.5, 138.6, 134.9, 134.5, 129.3, 128.8, 124.9, 119.8, 116.3, 116.1, 83.0, 66.6, 61.6, 46.8, 41.9, 36.1, 30.2, 24.3, 17.5, 17.4; IR (film) ν_{max} 3460, 3368, 2928, 1743, 1640, 1208 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for C₂₁H₂₅NO₃ (M)⁺ 339.1834, found 339.1836; [α]_D²² +87 (*c* 0.99, CHCl₃).

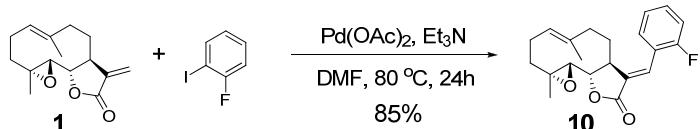


(E)-13-(3-trifluoromethylphenyl)-parthenolide 8. See representative reaction procedure. Triethylamine (6 equiv.) and 3-iodobenzotrifluoride (2 equiv.) were used. SiO₂ flash chromatography (1:1 hexanes/EtOAc) afforded the title compound as a solid in 80% yield. Recrystallization from hexanes/chloroform provided a crystalline solid suitable for X-ray structure analysis: mp 118–123 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68–7.56 (m, 5H), 5.30 (dd, *J* = 12.1, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.33 (m, 1H), 2.85 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (m, 1H), 2.25–2.12 (m, 4H), 2.03 (m, 1H), 1.67 (s, 3H), 1.45 (m, 1H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.29 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.3, 136.2, 134.5, 134.3, 133.3, 131.2, 131.1 (q, ²J_{CF} = 33 Hz, 1C), 129.3, 126.1 (q, ³J_{CF} = 4 Hz, 1C), 125.8 (q, ³J_{CF} = 4 Hz, 1C), 125.2, 123.7 (q, ¹J_{CF} = 271 Hz, 1C), 83.1, 66.4, 61.7, 46.7, 41.6, 36.1, 30.0, 24.2, 17.4, 17.3; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.7; IR (film) ν_{max} 2933, 1755, 1651, 1329, 1193 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₂₂H₂₃F₃O₃ (M+H)⁺ 393.1678, found 393.1680; [α]_D²⁵ +18 (*c* 1.10, CHCl₃).

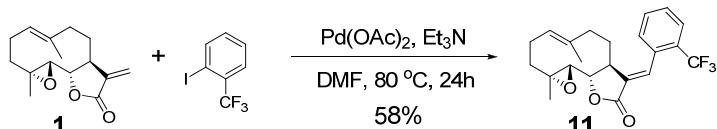


(E)-13-(3-fluoro-2-methoxycarbonyl)-parthenolide 9. See representative reaction procedure. Triethylamine (6 equiv.) and methyl 2-fluoro-6-iodobenzoate (2 equiv.) were used. SiO₂ flash chromatography (7:3 hexanes/THF) afforded the title compound as a solid in 72% yield: mp 180–183 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (td, *J* = 8.1, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 7.20–7.15 (m, 2H), 5.20 (dd, *J* = 12.1, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 3.96–3.92 (m, 1H), 3.22–3.19 (m, 1H), 2.79 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 2.44–2.35 (m, 1H), 2.22–2.14 (m, 2H), 1.93–1.89 (m,

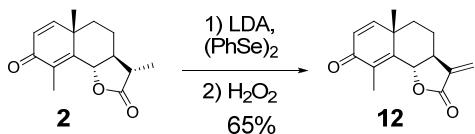
2H), 1.84–1.80 (m, 1H), 1.62 (s, 3H), 1.44–1.37 (m, 1H), 1.28 (s, 3H), 1.32–1.23 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.8, 164.6, 160.5 (d, $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 254$ Hz, 1C), 135.9, 135.1, 134.8, 132.5, 131.9 (d, $^3J_{\text{CF}} = 9$ Hz, 1C), 124.7, 124.0, 121.0 (d, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 15$ Hz, 1C), 117.0 (d, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 22$ Hz, 1C), 83.0, 66.6, 61.6, 52.9, 46.4, 41.3, 36.2, 30.4, 24.1, 17.3 (2); ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -111.1; IR (film) ν_{max} 2952, 2931, 1756, 1731, 1657, 1469, 1204 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{25}\text{FO}_5$ ($\text{M}+\text{Na}$) $^+$ 423.1584, found 423.1580; $[\alpha]^{26}_{\text{D}} +42$ (c 0.97, CHCl_3).



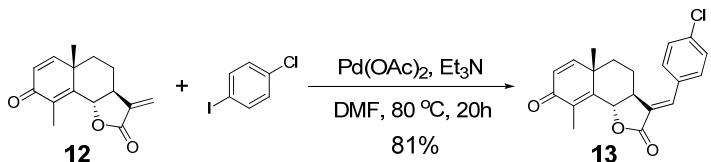
(E)-13-(2-fluorophenyl)-parthenolide 10. See representative reaction procedure. Triethylamine (6 equiv.) and 1-fluoro-2-iodobenzene (2 equiv.) were used. SiO_2 flash chromatography (8:2 hexanes/EtOAc) afforded the title compound as a solid in 85% yield: mp 184–186 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (500 MHz,) δ 7.70 (d, $J = 3.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.42–7.35 (m, 2H), 7.21 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.14 (t, $J = 9.4$ Hz, 1H), 5.27 (dd, $J = 12.1, 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.93 (dd, $J = 8.6, 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.24 (m, 1H), 2.84 (d, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.41 (m, 1H), 2.33–2.12 (m, 3H), 2.04 (dd, $J = 13.0, 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.95 (dd, $J = 15.1, 5.8$ Hz, 1H), 1.65 (s, 3H), 1.42–1.38 (m, 1H), 1.30 (s, 3H), 1.29 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.3, 160.3 (d, $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 250$ Hz, 1C), 134.8, 132.1, 131.5 (d, $^3J_{\text{CF}} = 8$ Hz, 1C), 131.0, 130.4, 124.9, 124.1, 121.8 (d, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 14$ Hz, 1C), 116.0 (d, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 22$ Hz, 1C), 83.0, 66.5, 61.6, 47.2, 41.2, 36.2, 29.9, 24.2, 17.4, 17.3; ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -110.5; IR (film) ν_{max} 2930, 1755, 1650, 1208 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (EI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{23}\text{FO}_3$ (M) $^+$ 342.1631, found 342.1629; $[\alpha]^{24}_{\text{D}} +134$ (c 0.51, CHCl_3).



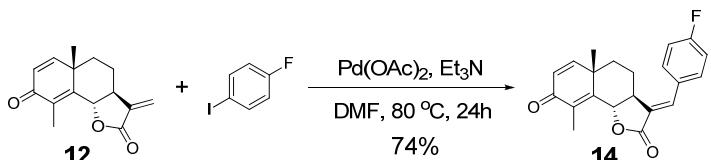
(E)-13-(2-trifluoromethylphenyl)-parthenolide 11. See representative reaction procedure. Triethylamine (6 equiv.) and 2-iodobenzotrifluoride (2 equiv.) were used. SiO_2 flash chromatography (7:3 hexanes/THF) afforded the title compound as a solid in 58% yield. Recrystallization from CDCl_3 provided a crystalline solid suitable for X-ray structure analysis: mp 229–232 $^{\circ}\text{C}$; ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 7.91 (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.61 (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.52–7.45 (m, 2H), 5.21 (d, $J = 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.95 (dd, $J = 9.0, 7.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.25–3.21 (m, 1H), 2.80 (d, $J = 6.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.43–2.35 (m, 1H), 2.25–2.15 (m, 2H), 1.90–1.84 (m, 2H), 1.73 (m, 1H), 1.61 (s, 3H), 1.39–1.33 (m, 1H), 1.28 (s, 3H), 1.26 (m, 1H); ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.7, 134.8, 134.4, 133.1, 132.9, 131.6, 129.1, 129.0, 128.7 (q, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 44$ Hz, 1C), 126.3 (q, $^3J_{\text{CF}} = 5$ Hz, 1C), 124.7, 123.6 (q, $^1J_{\text{CF}} = 272$ Hz, 1C), 83.0, 66.6, 61.5, 46.4, 41.3, 36.2, 30.0, 24.1, 17.3(2); ^{19}F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl_3) δ -60.7; IR (film) ν_{max} 2930, 1759, 1655, 1316, 1163 cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{23}\text{F}_3\text{O}_3$ ($\text{M}+\text{H}$) $^+$ 393.1678, found 393.1685; $[\alpha]^{25}_{\text{D}} +43$ (c 0.77, CHCl_3).



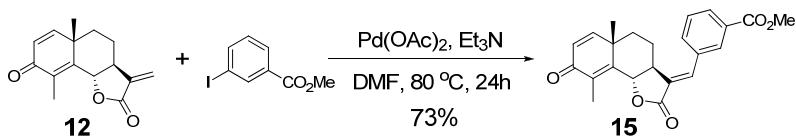
11,13-dehydrosantonin 12. The synthesis of the title compound was accomplished using literature procedure.¹ All spectral and characterization data matched the reported data.



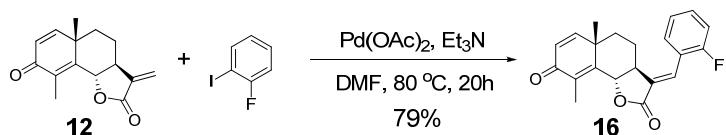
(E)-13-(4-chlorophenyl)-11,13-dehydrosantonin 13. See representative reaction procedure. The 11,13-dehydrosantonin **12**, triethylamine (6 equiv.), and 1-chloro-4-iodobenzene (2 equiv.) were used and the reaction was heated at 80 °C for 20 h. SiO₂ flash chromatography (7:3 hexanes/EtOAc) afforded the title compound as a solid in 81% yield: mp 232–234 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (m, 2H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 13.3 Hz, 1H), 6.27 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (dd, *J* = 11.3, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 3.02 (tt, *J* = 11.4, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 2.27–2.21 (m, 1H), 2.19 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 3H), 1.81 (m, 1H), 1.54 (m, 1H), 1.42 (m, 1H), 1.28 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.1, 170.4, 154.6, 150.7, 136.8, 135.6, 131.9, 130.6 (2), 129.1, 129.0, 128.7 (2), 126.0, 81.8, 49.6, 41.1, 38.0, 25.2, 22.0, 10.8; IR (film) ν_{max} 2929, 1760, 1661, 1251, 1049 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI) *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₁₉ClO₃ (M)⁺ 354.1023, found 354.1021; [α]²⁷_D +258 (*c* 0.67, CHCl₃).



(E)-11,13-dehydro-13-(4-fluorophenyl)-santonin 14. See representative reaction procedure. The 11,13-dehydrosantonin **12**, triethylamine (6 equiv.), and 1-fluoro-4-iodobenzene (2 equiv.) were used. SiO₂ flash chromatography (7:3 hexanes/EtOAc) afforded the title compound as a solid in 74% yield: mp 220–222 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.71 (d, *J* = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 7.35–7.29 (m, 2H), 7.11 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 6.27 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (dd, *J* = 11.3, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 3.03 (tt, *J* = 11.4, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 2.26 (m, 1H), 2.19 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 3H), 1.88–1.78 (m, 1H), 1.58–1.51 (m, 1H), 1.47–1.38 (m, 1H), 1.28 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.2, 170.5, 163.2 (d, ¹J_{CF} = 250 Hz, 1C), 154.6, 150.8, 137.1, 131.3 (d, ³J_{CF} = 8 Hz, 2C), 129.6, 129.0, 128.4, 126.0, 115.7 (d, ²J_{CF} = 28 Hz, 2C), 81.8, 49.6, 41.1, 38.1, 25.2, 22.0, 10.8; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -110.1; IR (film) ν_{max} 2929, 1762, 1662, 1508 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI) *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₁₉FO₃ (M)⁺ 338.1318, found 338.1321; [α]²⁷_D +196 (*c* 0.72, CHCl₃).



(E)-11,13-dehydro-13-(3-methoxycarbonylphenyl)-santonin 15. See representative reaction procedure. The 11,13-dehydrosantonin **12**, triethylamine (6 equiv.), and methyl 3-iodobenzoate (2 equiv.) were used. SiO₂ flash chromatography (7:3 hexanes/EtOAc) afforded the title compound as a solid in 73% yield: mp 186–188 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 (m, 1H), 8.00 (br s, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 7.53–7.46 (m, 2H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 6.27 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (dd, *J* = 11.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 3.10 (tt, *J* = 11.5, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 2.21–2.17 (m, 1H), 2.20 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 3H), 1.80 (m, 1H), 1.56 (td, *J* = 13.3, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 1.46–1.36 (m, 1H), 1.27 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.1, 170.3, 166.3, 154.6, 150.7, 136.8, 133.8, 133.6, 130.4, 130.3, 130.2, 129.7, 129.1, 128.6, 126.0, 81.8, 52.4, 49.6, 41.1, 38.0, 25.2, 22.0, 10.8; IR (film) ν_{max} 2951, 1766, 1722, 1662, 1250 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI) *m/z* calcd for C₂₃H₂₂O₅ (M+H)⁺ 379.1546, found 379.1544; [α]_D²⁸ +139 (*c* 0.75, CHCl₃).



(E)-11,13-dehydro-13-(2-fluorophenyl)-santonin 16. See representative reaction procedure. The 11,13-dehydrosantonin **12**, triethylamine (6 equiv.), and 1-fluoro-2-iodobenzene (2 equiv.) were used and the reaction was heated at 80 °C for 20 h. SiO₂ flash chromatography (7:3 hexanes/EtOAc) afforded the title compound as a solid in 79% yield: mp 240–242 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz, 1H), 7.43–7.36 (m, 1H), 7.29 (td, *J* = 7.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (m, 1H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 6.27 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (dd, *J* = 11.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 2.99 (m, 1H), 2.19 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 3H), 2.09–2.06 (m, 1H), 1.82–1.75 (m, 1H), 1.54 (td, *J* = 13.4, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 1.48–1.37 (m, 1H), 1.27 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 186.2, 170.1, 160.2 (d, ¹J_{CF} = 250 Hz, 1C), 154.6, 150.8, 131.5 (d, ³J_{CF} = 8 Hz, 1C), 131.0, 130.8, 130.7, 129.0, 126.0, 124.0, 121.6 (d, ²J_{CF} = 15 Hz, 1C), 115.9 (d, ²J_{CF} = 21 Hz, 1C), 81.7, 50.1, 41.1, 38.1, 25.2, 21.7, 10.8; ¹⁹F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -112.2; IR (film) ν_{max} 2926, 1767, 1662, 1250, 1200 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI) *m/z* calcd for C₂₁H₁₉FO₃ (M)⁺ 338.1318, found 338.1319; [α]_D²⁷ +105 (*c* 0.72, CHCl₃).

Table S1. Diagnostic Vinyl Protons in **3–11** and **13–16**.

Structure	R =	Compound	Chemical Shift of Vinyl Proton	Notes
	H	3	7.68 ppm	COSY, NOESY data
	4-Cl	4	7.61 ppm	
	4-CF ₃	5	7.67 ppm	
	4-Et	6	7.65 ppm	
	3-NH ₂	7	7.58 ppm	
	3-CF ₃	8	7.67-7.56 ppm	X-ray data
	3-F, 2-CO ₂ Me	9	7.71 ppm	
	2-F	10	7.70 ppm	
	2-CF ₃	11	7.91 ppm	X-ray data
	4-Cl	13	7.69 ppm	
	4-F	14	7.71 ppm	
	3-CO ₂ Me	15	7.76 ppm	
	2-F	16	7.68 ppm	

Table S2. Diagnostic Vinyl Protons in α -Methylene- γ -lactones.^a

E-olefin Structure	Chemical Shift of Vinyl Proton	Z-olefin Structure	Chemical Shift of Vinyl Proton	Questionable Structures	Chemical Shift of Vinyl Proton
	7.52 ppm ² 7.60 ppm ³		6.99 ppm ³		
	7.51 ppm ⁴		6.63 ppm ⁴		
	8.13 ppm ⁵		6.90 ppm ⁵		
	7.55 ppm ⁵		6.53 ppm ⁵		
	7.45 ppm ²				7.38 ppm ⁶
	7.44-7.38 ppm ²				7.46 ppm ⁶
					7.60 ppm ⁶
					8.10 ppm ⁶
					8.10 ppm ⁶

^a All chemical shifts were obtained from the literature. Refer to the references section (III) for corresponding citations.

II. Biological Evaluation

Cell Culture.⁷ HeLa (cervical cancer) cells were maintained in logarithmic phase of growth in Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Medium (D-MEM) supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum, L-glutamine (2 mM), streptomycin (50 µg/mL), and penicillin (50 IU/mL). They were cultured at 37 °C in a humidified incubator under 5% CO₂ in air.

Cell Proliferation Assay.⁷ The 50% inhibitory concentration (IC₅₀) of the sesquiterpene lactones **1**, **3–16** on HeLa cells was determined by the MTT assay. HeLa cells were plated into a 96-well plate at 10,000 cells per well in growth medium (150 µL) and incubated at 37 °C in a humidified incubator under 5% CO₂ in air. After 24 h, the growth medium was removed and the HeLa cells were treated with 100 µL of a solution of test compound in 1% DMSO in growth medium. Eight concentrations of each test compound were used and each concentration was repeated in triplicate. After incubation for 48 h, 20 µL of MTT solution (5 mg/mL) in PBS was added to each well and the plate was incubated further for 1 h. The medium was removed, and 200 µL of DMSO was added to each well. The OD was measured at 570 nm. The IC₅₀ values on HeLa cell proliferation were calculated by GraphPad Prism 5 software.

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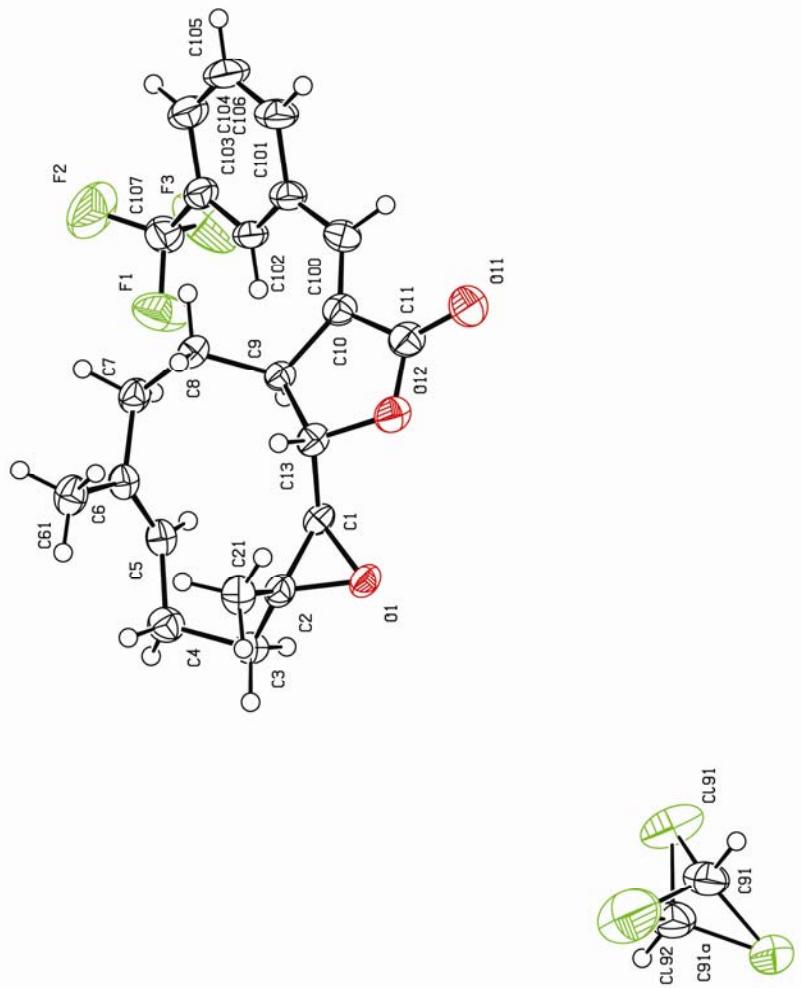


Figure S1. ORTEP Diagram of 8.

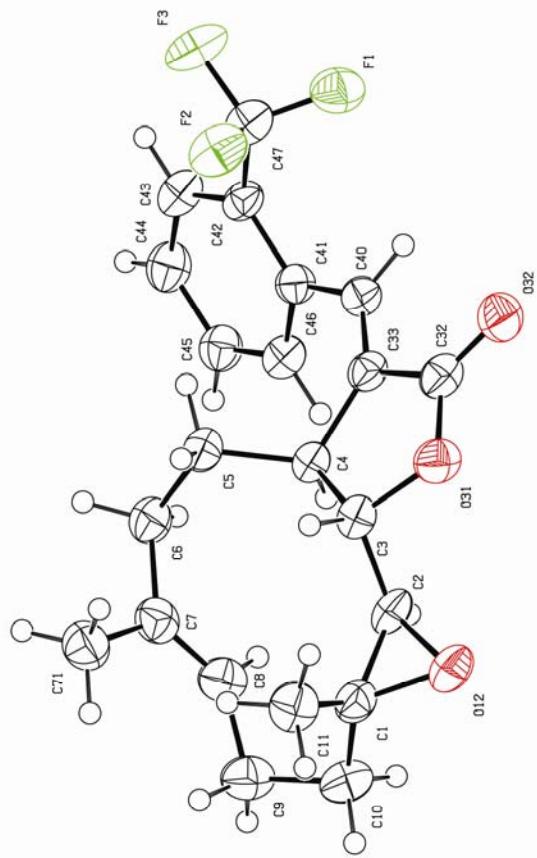
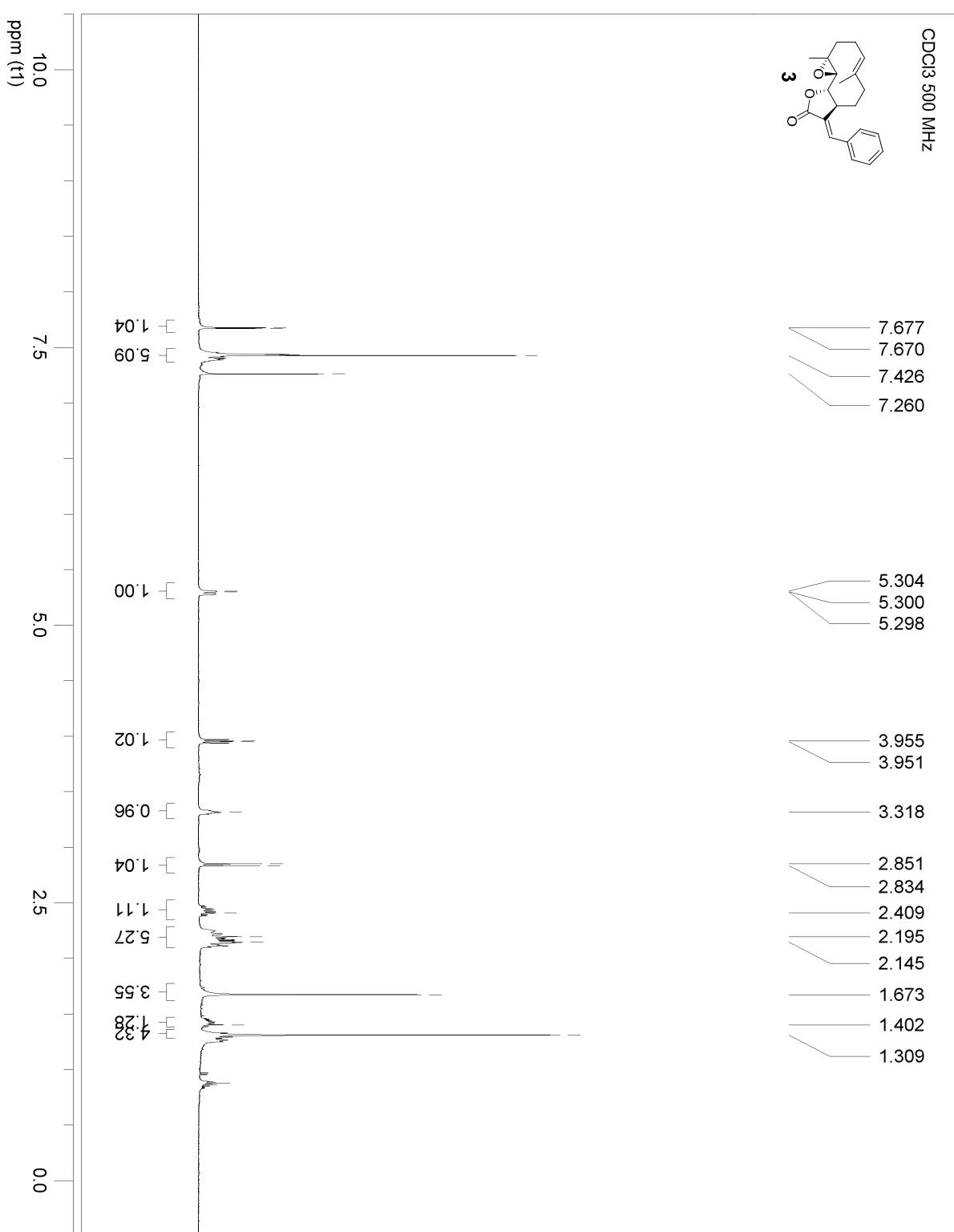
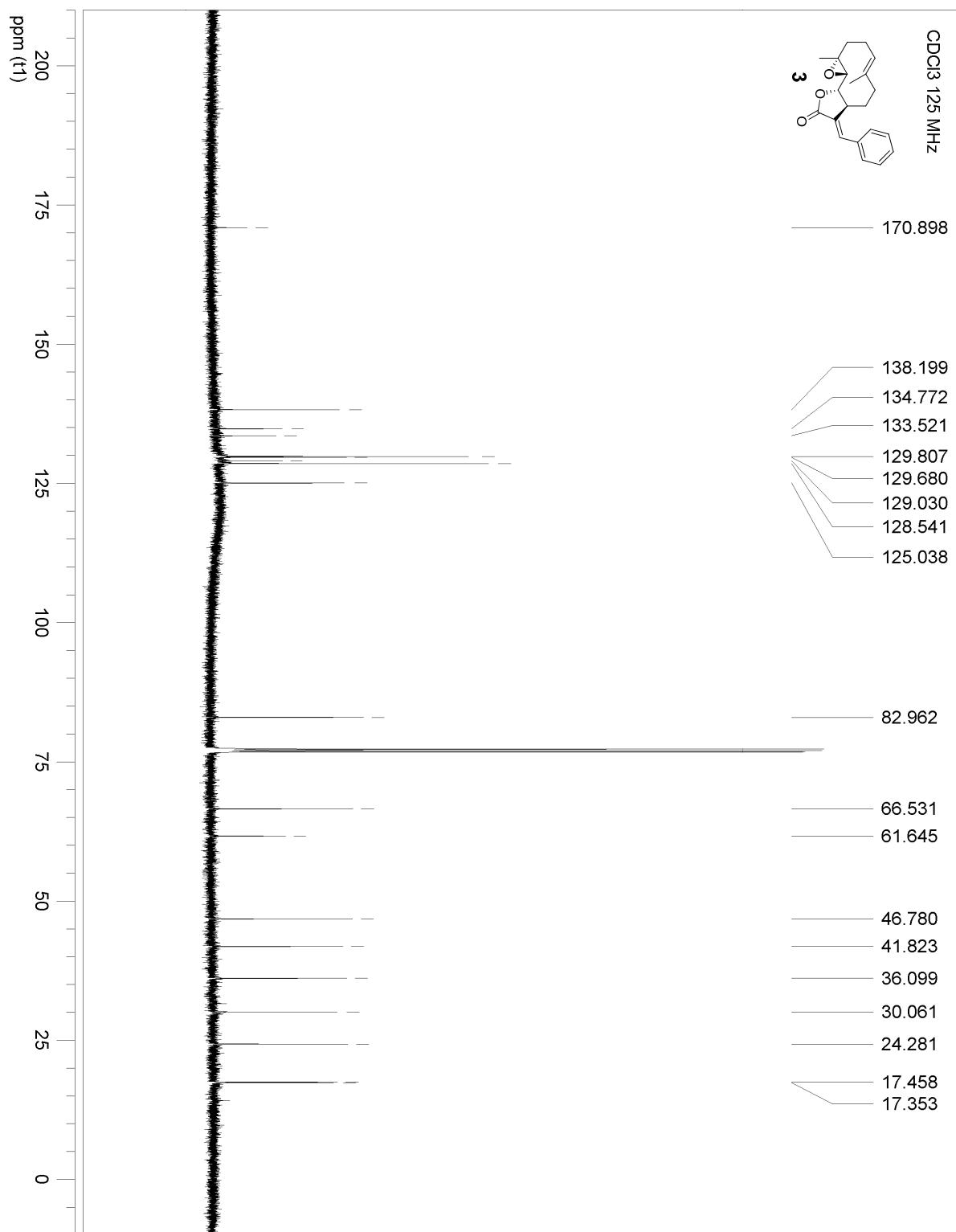
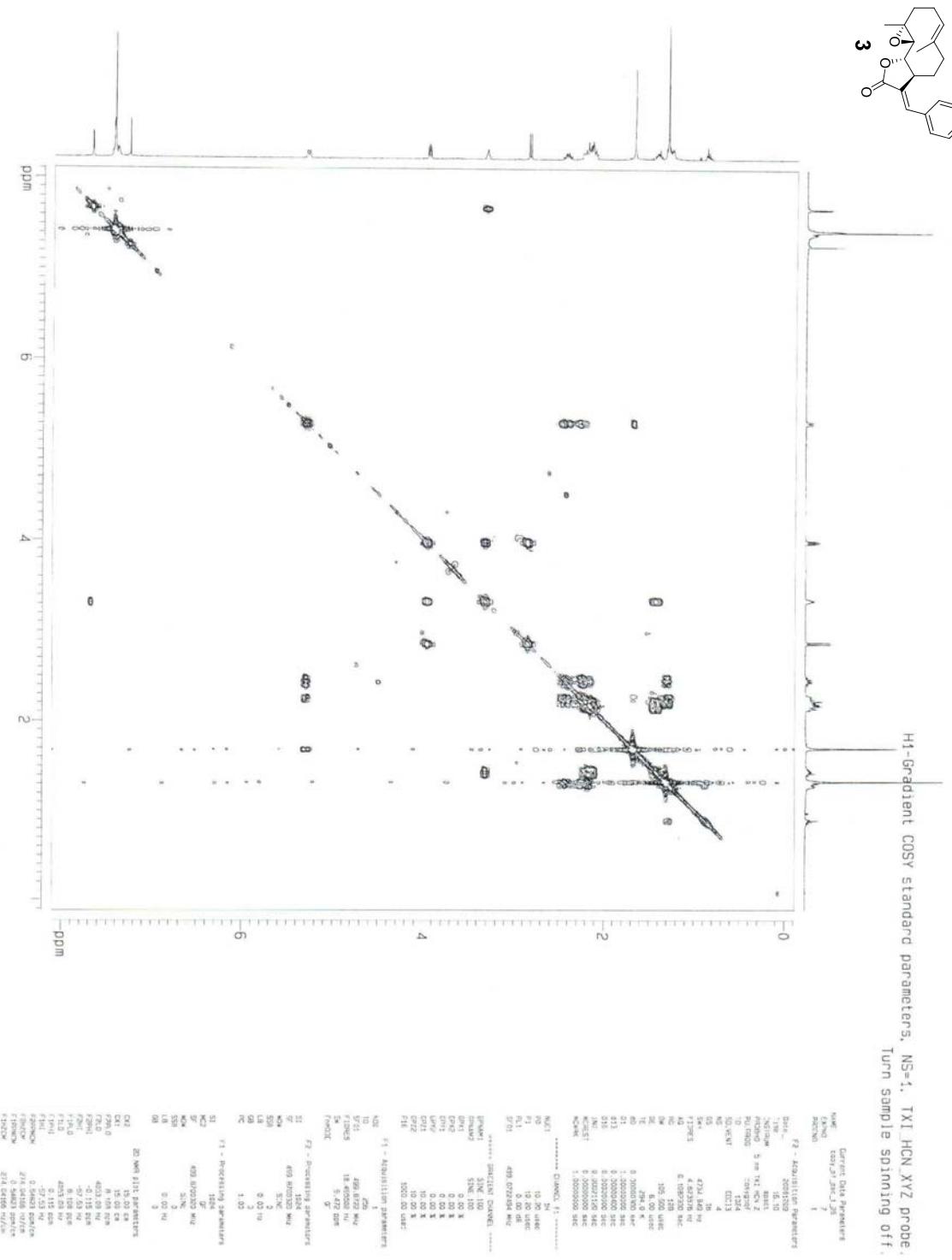


Figure S2. ORTEP Diagram of **11**.







H1-NOESY standard parameters, NS=2, TXI_HCN_XYZ probe.
Turn sample spinning off. Mixing time = 500ms.

