# Supporting Information for "Asymmetric Synthesis of Neolignans (-)-epiConocarpan and (+)-Conocarpan via Rh(II)-Catalyzed C-H Insertion Process and Revision of the Absolute Configuration of (-)-epi-Conocarpan" 

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## Experimental Section

General. Melting points were determined on a capillary melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Optical rotations were measured on a digital polarimeter at the sodium D line (589 nm ). IR spectra were recorded on a FT/IR spectrometer and absorbance bands are reported in wavenumber $\left(\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right)$. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra were recorded on a 270 MHz or a 400 MHz spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported relative to internal standard (tetramethylsilane at $0.00 \mathrm{ppm}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ at 7.26 ppm , or $\mathrm{CD}_{3} \mathrm{OD}$ at 3.31 ppm ). Data are presented as follows: chemical shift ( $\delta, \mathrm{ppm}$ ), multiplicity ( $\mathrm{s}=$ singlet, $\mathrm{d}=$ doublet, $\mathrm{t}=$ triplet, $\mathrm{m}=$ multiplet ), coupling constant and integration. ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra were recorded on a 67.5 MHz , a 100 MHz or a 125 MHz spectrometer. The following internal references were used $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ at 77.0 ppm or $\mathrm{CD}_{3} \mathrm{OD}$ at 49.0 ppm ). Column chromatography was carried out on silica gel 60 N ( $63-210 \mathrm{mesh}$ ). Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was carried out on silica gel $60 \mathrm{~F}_{254}$ plates. Visualization was accomplished with UV light, and anisaldehyde or phosphomolybdic acid stain solution followed by heating. Analytical high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) was performed on an intelligent HPLC pump with intelligent UV/VIS detector. Detection was performed at 254 nm . Chiralcel OD-H, OJ-H, Chiralpak AD-H and IA columns ( $0.46 \mathrm{~cm} \times 25$ cm ) were used.
All non-aqueous reactions were carried out in flame-dried glassware under Ar atmosphere unless otherwise noted. Reagents and solvents were purified by standard means. Dehydrated $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ and THF were purchased from a commercial source. $4 \AA$ molecular sieves were used after dried ( $150{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}, 1 \mathrm{mmHg}, 12 \mathrm{~h}$ ). Methyl 2-(5-bromo-2-hydroxyphenyl)acetate (11) ${ }^{1}$, [(4bromomethyl)phenoxy]triisopropylsilane (12) ${ }^{2}$, 3,3-diethylpentanoic acid (14) ${ }^{3}$ and (S)-4-benzyloxazolidin-2-one, ${ }^{4}$ were prepared according to literature procedures.

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## I. Preparation of $\mathbf{R h}_{2}\left(\mathbf{S}\right.$-PTTEA) $\mathbf{4}_{\mathbf{4}}$ (3b)

## 2-Azido-3,3-diethylpentanoic acid (15)

Phosphorus trichloride ( $0.50 \mathrm{~mL}, 5.67 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) was added to a mixture of 3,3-diethylpentanoic acid ( $\mathbf{1 4})^{3}(15.0 \mathrm{~g}, 94.8 \mathrm{mmol})$ and bromine $(5.58 \mathrm{~mL}$, 114 mmol ). After stirring at $50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 2 h , the reaction mixture was heated at $100{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 1 h . The reaction mixture was evaporated in vacuo to furnish the


15 crude product ( 24.5 g ), which was used without further purification.
$\mathrm{NaN}_{3}(18.5 \mathrm{~g}, 284 \mathrm{mmol})$ was added to a solution of the crude product in DMSO ( 75 mL ), and the whole was heated at $90^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 2 h . After cooling, the reaction mixture was poured into water and acidified with $10 \%$ aqueous HCl . The solution was extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 150$ mL ) and washed with brine ( $2 \times 70 \mathrm{~mL}$ ), and dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Filtration and evaporation in vacuo furnished the crude product ( 18.2 g ), which was purified by column chromatography (silica gel $150 \mathrm{~g}, 10: 1 \rightarrow 5: 1$ hexane/EtOAc) to provide carboxylic acid $\mathbf{1 5}$ $(16.1 \mathrm{~g}, 85 \%)$ as a colorless oil: $R_{f} 0.58$ ( $5: 1$ benzene/Et ${ }_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ); IR (film) $v 2971,2106,1711,1458$, $1416 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $270 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 0.86(\mathrm{t}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 1.40-1.55(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 4.03(\mathrm{~s}$, $1 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $67.8 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 8.0\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 26.3\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 43.1(\mathrm{C}), 68.5(\mathrm{CH}), 174.7(\mathrm{C})$; HRMS (FAB) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{Na}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{Na}\right)$ 222.1218, found 222.1212.
( $4 S, 2^{\prime} S$ )-2'-Azido- $\mathbf{3}^{\prime}, 3^{\prime}$ 'diethylpentanoyl-4-benzyloxazolidin-2-one (16) and (4S, $\mathbf{2}^{\prime} R$ )-2'-azido- $\mathbf{3}^{\prime}, \mathbf{3}^{\prime}$-diethylpentanoyl-4-benzyloxazolidin-2-one (17)

Oxalyl chloride ( $4.3 \mathrm{~mL}, 50.3 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and DMF ( 0.1 mL , 1.3 mmol ) were added to a solution of carboxylic acid $\mathbf{1 5}$ ( $6.68 \mathrm{~g}, 33.5 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(45 \mathrm{~mL})$ at $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After stirring at $23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 3 h , the reaction mixture was evaporated in vacuo to furnish the crude product ( 7.5 g ), which was used without further purification.
$n-B u L i(1.59 \mathrm{M}$ solution in hexane, $21.1 \mathrm{~mL}, 33.5 \mathrm{mmol}$ )


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17 was added to a solution of $(S)$-4-benzyloxazolidin-2-one ${ }^{4}(5.94 \mathrm{~g}, 33.5 \mathrm{mmol})$ in THF ( 45 mL ) at $-78{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, and the mixture was stirred at $-78{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 30 min . A solution of the crude acid chloride in THF ( 15 mL ) was added to the mixture at $-78{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After stirring at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 1 h , the mixture was poured into a two-layer mixture of $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}(60 \mathrm{~mL})$ and $5 \%$ aqueous $\mathrm{HCl}(60 \mathrm{~mL})$ at $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The aqueous layer was separated and extracted with EtOAc ( 120 mL ). The combined organic layers were washed with $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(40 \mathrm{~mL})$, saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}(40 \mathrm{~mL})$ and brine $(2 \times 40 \mathrm{~mL})$, and dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Filtration and evaporation in vacuo furnished the crude product ( 11.4 g ), which was purified by column chromatography (silica gel 300 g , 15:1 $\rightarrow 10: 1$ hexane/EtOAc) to provide less polar isomer $17(5.18 \mathrm{~g}, 43 \%)$ as colorless oil and more polar isomer $16(5.30 \mathrm{~g}, 44 \%)$ as a white solid. 16: $R_{f} 0.50$ ( $2: 1$ hexane/EtOAc); mp
$153.0-153.5^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (hexane/EtOAc); $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{24}+32.2\left(c 1.10, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right.$ ); IR (film) $v 2968,2101,1780$, $1704,1455,1388 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $270 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 0.88(\mathrm{t}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 1.52(\mathrm{q}, J=7.3$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H}$ ), 2.87 (dd, $J=9.5,13.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ), 3.34 (dd, $J=3.2,13.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ), 4.17-4.25 (m, 2H), 4.69 (ddd, $J=3.2,9.5,12.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.57(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.23-7.38(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 67.8 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 8.1\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 26.1\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 37.6\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 44.0(\mathrm{C}), 55.9(\mathrm{CH}), 63.6(\mathrm{CH}), 66.1\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 127.5$ $(\mathrm{CH}), 129.0(\mathrm{CH}), 129.4(\mathrm{CH}), 134.8(\mathrm{C}), 153.1(\mathrm{C}), 169.4(\mathrm{C})$; HRMS (FAB) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{Na}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{Na}\right)$ 381.1903, found 381.1882. 17: $R_{f} 0.56$ (2:1 hexane/EtOAc); $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{24}$ +52.1 (c 1.15, $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ); IR (film) $v 2971,2103,1782,1705,1456,1389 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR (270 $\left.\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 0.91(\mathrm{t}, J=8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 1.45-1.66(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 2.63(\mathrm{dd}, J=10.5,13.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $3.45(\mathrm{dd}, J=3.5,13.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.15-4.75(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.79$ (ddd, $J=3.5,10.5,14.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.56$ $(\mathrm{s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.24-7.39(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $\left.67.8 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 8.2\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 26.2\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 38.1\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)$, $44.5(\mathrm{C}), 55.6(\mathrm{CH}), 63.5(\mathrm{CH}), 66.3\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 127.5(\mathrm{CH}), 129.0(\mathrm{CH}), 129.3(\mathrm{CH}), 135.0(\mathrm{C})$, 153.3 (C), 169.5 (C); HRMS (FAB) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{19} \mathrm{H}_{26} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{Na}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{Na}\right)$ 381.1910, found 381.1882 .

The absolute configuration of $\mathbf{1 6}$ was established to be $\left(4 S, 2^{\prime} S\right)$ by a single-crystal X-ray analysis. Suitable crystals of $\mathbf{1 6}$ for X-ray crystallographic analysis were obtained by recrystallization from hexane/EtOAc.

## (S)-Triethylalanine (18)

A $35 \%$ aqueous solution of $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}(5.6 \mathrm{~mL}, 58.0 \mathrm{mmol})$ and $\mathrm{LiOH} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(1.22 \mathrm{~g}$, $29.0 \mathrm{mmol})$ were added to a solution of $16(5.20 \mathrm{~g}, 14.5 \mathrm{mmol})$ in $\mathrm{THF} / \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ $(3: 1,150 \mathrm{~mL})$ at $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After stirring at $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 3 h , the reaction was quenched by addition of 3 M aqueous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{3}(20 \mathrm{~mL})$ and saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$


18 $(200 \mathrm{~mL})$. The mixture was extracted with $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(3 \times 50 \mathrm{~mL})$, and the water layer was acidified with $10 \%$ aqueous HCl . The solution was extracted with EtOAc $(3 \times 100 \mathrm{~mL})$ and washed with brine $(2 \times 50 \mathrm{~mL})$, and dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Filtration and evaporation in vacuo furnished the crude product ( 2.32 g ), which was used without further purification.
$10 \% \mathrm{Pd} / \mathrm{C}(120 \mathrm{mg})$ was added to a solution of the crude product in $\mathrm{AcOH} / \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(2: 1,12 \mathrm{~mL})$, and the resulting mixture was stirred vigorously under 1 atm of hydrogen at $23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 20 h . The catalyst was filtered through a Celite pad, and the filtrate was evaporated in vacuo to furnish the crude product $(2.4 \mathrm{~g})$. The residue was dissolved in $\mathrm{MeOH} / \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(3: 1,20 \mathrm{~mL})$ at $60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The white solid formed at $23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ after standing for 48 h , and were collected by suction, washed with ice-cold $\mathrm{MeOH} / \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(5: 1,6 \mathrm{~mL})$ and dried in vacuo to give 18 (1.76 g, 70\%): $R_{f} 0.50$ (19:1 $\mathrm{EtOH} / 15 \%$ aqueous $\left.\mathrm{NH}_{3}\right) ; \mathrm{mp}>250{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\left(\mathrm{MeOH} / \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right) ;[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{23}+12.2(c 0.1, \mathrm{MeOH}) ;$ IR $(\mathrm{KBr}) v$ $3527,3120,2967,1638,1603,1526 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $\left.400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CD}_{3} \mathrm{OD}\right) \delta 0.89(\mathrm{t}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $9 \mathrm{H}), 1.52(\mathrm{dq}, J=7.3,14.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 3.39(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CD}_{3} \mathrm{OD}\right) \delta 8.4\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)$, $27.0\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 41.5(\mathrm{C}), 61.1(\mathrm{CH}), 173.4(\mathrm{C})$; HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{9} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{NO}_{2}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{H}\right)$ 174.1494, found 174.1485.

## $N$-Phthaloyl-(S)-triethylalanine (19)

Triethylamine ( $173 \mathrm{mg}, 1.71 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) was added to the mixture of $(S) \mathbf{- 1 8}$ ( $740 \mathrm{mg}, 4.27 \mathrm{mmol}$ ), phthalic anhydride ( $633 \mathrm{mg}, 4.27 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and toluene ( 40 mL ). The mixture was heated to reflux, while the solvent was distilled off at a rate such that $c a .6 \mathrm{~mL}$ of the solvent was removed per


19 hour. After heating the mixture for 2.5 h , the mixture was cooled to $23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} .5 \%$ aqueous $\mathrm{HCl}(10$ mL ) was added and resulting solution was extracted with EtOAc $(2 \times 30 \mathrm{~mL})$. The combined organic layers were washed with brine ( $2 \times 15 \mathrm{~mL}$ ) and dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Filtration and evaporation in vacuo furnished the crude product ( 1.33 g ), which was purified by column chromatography (silica gel $60 \mathrm{~g}, 100: 1 \rightarrow 50: 1 \mathrm{CHCl}_{3} / \mathrm{MeOH}$ ) to provide $\mathbf{1 9}(1.19 \mathrm{~g})$ as a white solid. The solid was dissolved in hexane/EtOAc (5:1, 12 mL ) at $60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Colorless needles formed at $23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ after standing overnight, and were collected by suction, washed with ice-cold hexane/EtOAc (5:1, 4 mL ) and dried in vacuo to give 19 ( $1.06 \mathrm{~g}, 82 \%$ ): $R_{f} 0.43$ (10:1 $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3} / \mathrm{MeOH}$ ); mp $131.0-131.5^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (hexane/EtOAc); $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{22}-12.5$ (c 1.01 , EtOH); IR (KBr) $v$ $2967,1719 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $270 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 0.89(\mathrm{t}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9 \mathrm{H}), 1.57(\mathrm{dq}, J=7.3,14.6$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.75(\mathrm{dq}, J=7.3,14.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 5.03(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.70-7.76(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.83-7.89(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$; ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $67.8 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 8.4\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 27.4\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 43.7(\mathrm{C}), 57.0(\mathrm{CH}), 123.5(\mathrm{CH}), 131.6$ (C), 134.2 (CH), 168.3 (C), 174.8 (C); HRMS (FAB) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{NO}_{4}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}+\mathrm{H}\right)$ 304.1549, found 304.1577. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{NO}_{4}$ : C, 67.31 ; H, 6.98; N, 4.62. Found: C, 67.28; H, 7.01; N, 4.55.

The enantiopurity of $\mathbf{1 9}$ was determined to be $>99 \%$ ee by comparison of HPLC retention time with the racemic sample after conversion to the corresponding methyl ester obtained by the treatment of $\mathbf{1 9}$ with diazomethane in ether [Chiralcel OJ-H ( $9: 1$ hexane $/ i-\mathrm{PrOH}, 1.0 \mathrm{~mL} / \mathrm{min}$ ): $t_{\mathrm{R}}($ major $)=8.3 \mathrm{~min}$ for $(S) \mathbf{- 1 9}, t_{\mathrm{R}}($ minor $)=11.6 \mathrm{~min}$ for $\left.(R)-\mathbf{1 9}.\right]$

## Dirhodium(II) tetrakis[ $N$-phthaloyl-(S)-triethylalaninate] (3b)

A mixture of $\mathrm{Rh}_{2}(\mathrm{OAc})_{4} \cdot 2 \mathrm{MeOH}(202 \mathrm{mg}, 0.40 \mathrm{mmol})$ and $19(606 \mathrm{mg}$, 2.0 mmol ) in chlorobenzene ( 30 mL ) was heated at reflux with vigorous stirring, while the solvent was distilled off at a rate such that $c a .3 \mathrm{~mL}$ of the solvent was removed per hour. After 3 h , the remaining solvent was removed in vacuo, and the residue was dissolved in EtOAc ( 30 mL ). The resulting solution was washed with saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}(2 \times 5$


3b mL ) and brine ( $2 \times 5 \mathrm{~mL}$ ), and dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Filtration and evaporation in vacuo furnished a green solid ( 798 mg ), which was purified by column chromatography (silica gel $40 \mathrm{~g}, 2: 1$ hexane/EtOAc) to provide a green solid ( 680 mg ). The solid was dissolved in $\mathrm{EtOAc} /$ hexane $(3: 2,25 \mathrm{~mL})$ at $60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Green needles formed at $23^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ after standing overnight, and were collected by suction, washed with ice-cold hexane/EtOAc ( $3: 1,4 \mathrm{~mL}$ ) and dried in vacuo to give 3b ( $560 \mathrm{mg}, 88 \%$ ): $R_{f} 0.53$ ( $1: 1$ hexane $/ \mathrm{EtOAc}$ ); $\mathrm{mp}>280^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (hexane/EtOAc);
$[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{22}+35.3\left(c 0.052, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) ;$ IR $(\mathrm{KBr}) v 3432,1967,1884,1780,1721,1607,1381 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $270 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 0.85(\mathrm{t}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 36 \mathrm{H}), 1.22(\mathrm{t}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 1.45-1.71(\mathrm{~m}, 24 \mathrm{H})$, $2.02(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 4.09(\mathrm{q}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 5.15(\mathrm{~s}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 7.60-7.73(\mathrm{~m}, 16 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 67.8 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 8.6\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 14.1\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 21.0\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 27.1\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 43.3(\mathrm{C}), 58.9(\mathrm{CH}), 60.6\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 122.8$ $(\mathrm{CH}), 123.5(\mathrm{CH}), 132.1(\mathrm{C}), 133.3(\mathrm{CH}), 133.7(\mathrm{CH}), 167.5(\mathrm{C}), 168.7(\mathrm{C}), 171.9(\mathrm{C}), 187.7$ (C); HRMS (FAB) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{68} \mathrm{H}_{80} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{16} \mathrm{Rh}_{2}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$1414.3679, found 1414.3680. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{68} \mathrm{H}_{80} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{16} \mathrm{Rh}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{EtOAc}: \mathrm{C}, 57.36$; H, 6.08; N, 3.52. Found: C, 57.14; H, 6.03; N, 3.78.
The enantiopurity of the methyl ester of $\mathbf{1 9}$ recovered from aqueous $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ layers was determined to be $>99 \%$ ee by HPLC, indicating that no racemization occurred during the ligand exchange reaction.

## II. Asymmetric Synthesis of (-)-epi-Conocarpan (2) and (+)-Conocarpan (1)

## Methyl 2-[5-bromo-2-(4-triisopropylsilyloxybenzyloxy)phenyl]acetate (13)

A solution of [(4-bromomethyl)phenoxy]triisopropylsilane $(\mathbf{1 2})^{2}(1.10 \mathrm{~g}, 3.20 \mathrm{mmol})$ in THF $(1.5 \mathrm{~mL})$ was added to a suspension of methyl 2-(5-bromo-2-hydroxyphenyl)acetate (11) ${ }^{1}(654 \mathrm{mg}, 2.67 \mathrm{mmol})$ and $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{CO}_{3}(922 \mathrm{mg}, 6.67 \mathrm{mmol})$ in THF ( 4 mL ) at $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After stirring at $23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 30 h , the reaction was quenched with water $(10 \mathrm{~mL})$. The mixture was


13 extracted with EtOAc ( 50 mL ), and the combined organic layer was washed with brine ( $2 \times 15$ mL ) and dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Filtration and evaporation in vacuo furnished the crude product ( 1.5 g ), which was purified by column chromatography (silica gel $70 \mathrm{~g}, 40: 1$ hexane/EtOAc) to provide ester $\mathbf{1 3}(925 \mathrm{mg}, 68 \%)$ as a white solid: $R_{f}=0.63$ (4:1 hexane/EtOAc); mp 77.5-78.0 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (hexane/EtOAc); IR (KBr) $v 1733 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 1.10(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 18 \mathrm{H}), 1.21-1.30(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.60(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.62(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 4.96(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $6.79(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.86-6.88(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.21-7.23(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.31-7.34(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 12.7(\mathrm{CH}), 18.0\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 35.8\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 51.9\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 70.2\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 112.7(\mathrm{C})$, $113.5(\mathrm{CH}), 119.8(\mathrm{CH}), 125.5(\mathrm{C}), 128.5(\mathrm{CH}), 128.7(\mathrm{C}), 131.0(\mathrm{CH}), 133.5(\mathrm{CH}), 155.7(\mathrm{C})$, 155.8 (C), 171.5 (C); HRMS (EI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{35} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{SiBr}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right) 506.1487$, found 506.1478. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{35} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{SiBr}$ : C, 59.16; H, 6.95; Br, 15.74. Found: C, 59.37; H, 6.92; Br, 15.81.

Methyl 2-diazo-2-[5-bromo-2-(4-triisopropylsilyloxybenzyloxy)phenyl]acetate (9a)
A solution of ester $\mathbf{1 3}(1.30 \mathrm{~g}, 2.56 \mathrm{mmol})$ in THF ( 4 mL ) was added to lithium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide ( 0.29 M in THF, 13.2 $\mathrm{mL}, 3.84 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After stirring at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 30 min , 2,2,2-trifluoroethyltrifluoroacetate ( $0.55 \mathrm{~mL}, 4.10 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) was added in one portion. After stirring at $-78{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 1 h , the

mixture was poured into a two-layer mixture of $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}(20 \mathrm{~mL})$ and $5 \%$ aqueous $\mathrm{HCl}(20 \mathrm{~mL})$ at $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The aqueous layer was separated and extracted with EtOAc ( 50 mL ). The combined organic layer was washed with $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(15 \mathrm{~mL})$, saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}(15 \mathrm{~mL})$ and brine (2 $\times 15 \mathrm{~mL}$ ), and dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Filtration and evaporation in vacuo furnished the crude product ( 1.9 g ), which was used without further purification.
A solution of methanesulfonyl azide ( $929 \mathrm{mg}, 7.68 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}(1 \mathrm{~mL})$ was added to a solution of the crude product and triethylamine ( $1.3 \mathrm{~mL}, 9.33 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}(3 \mathrm{~mL})$. After stirring at $23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 24 h , the mixture was poured into a two-layer mixture of $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}(20 \mathrm{~mL})$ and $5 \%$ aqueous $\mathrm{NaOH}(20 \mathrm{~mL})$. The aqueous layer was separated and extracted with EtOAc ( 50 $\mathrm{mL})$. The combined organic layer was washed with water ( 15 mL ), saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ $(15 \mathrm{~mL})$ and brine $(2 \times 15 \mathrm{~mL})$, and dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Filtration and evaporation in vacuo furnished the crude product ( 1.7 g ), which was purified by column chromatography (silica gel $200 \mathrm{~g}, 30: 1$ hexane $/ \mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ) to provide $\alpha$-diazo ester $9 \mathrm{a}(1.02 \mathrm{~g}, 75 \%$ ) as a yellow solid: $R_{f}=0.59$ ( $4: 1$ hexane/EtOAc); mp $63.5-64.5^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (hexane/EtOAc); IR $\left(\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right) v 2108,1698$ $\mathrm{cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $270 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 1.10(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 18 \mathrm{H}), 1.19-1.32(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.82(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H})$, $4.98(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.82(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.89(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.22(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.29$ (dd, $J=2.6,8.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.74(\mathrm{~d}, J=2.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 12.7(\mathrm{CH})$, $18.0\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 52.1\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 70.9\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 113.5(\mathrm{C}), 113.6(\mathrm{CH}), 116.1(\mathrm{C}), 120.0(\mathrm{CH}), 127.9(\mathrm{C})$, $129.2(\mathrm{CH}), 130.6(\mathrm{CH}), 132.0(\mathrm{CH}), 153.3(\mathrm{C}), 156.1(\mathrm{C}), 166.0(\mathrm{C})$; HRMS (FAB) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{33} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{SiBrNa}\left(\mathrm{M}^{2} \mathrm{Na}^{+}\right) 555.1291$, found 555.1306. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{33} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{SiBr}$ : C, 56.28; H, 6.23; N, 5.25; Br, 14.98. Found: C, 56.28; H, 6.15; N, 5.08; Br, 15.21.

## (2R,3S)-5-Bromo-3-methoxycarbonyl-2-(4-triisopropylsilyloxyphenyl)-2,3-dihydrobenzo-

 furan (8a, Table 1, entry 8)$\mathrm{Rh}_{2}(\mathrm{~S} \text {-PTTEA })_{4}(\mathbf{3 b}) \cdot 2 \mathrm{EtOAc}(47.7 \mathrm{mg}, 0.03 \mathrm{mmol}, 1$ $\mathrm{mol} \%)$ was added to a mixture of $9 \mathrm{a}(1.60 \mathrm{~g}, 3.0 \mathrm{mmol})$ and $4 \AA \mathrm{MS}(1.60 \mathrm{~g})$ in $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(30 \mathrm{~mL})$ at $-60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After stirring at this temperature for 24 h , the $4 \AA \mathrm{MS}$ was filtrated
 through a Celite pad and the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo. The ratio of 8a/10a was determined to be $97: 3$ by ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR of the crude product. The residue $(1.7 \mathrm{~g})$ was purified by column chromatography (silica gel $90 \mathrm{~g}, 25: 1$ hexane $/ \mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ) to give $\mathbf{8 a}(1.21 \mathrm{~g}, 80 \%)$ as a white solid and 10a ( $31.0 \mathrm{mg}, 2 \%$ yield, $6 \% \mathrm{ee}$ ) as a colorless oil. 8a: $R_{f}=0.50\left(6: 1\right.$ hexane $\left./ \mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)$; mp $62.0-63.0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for $84 \%$ ee; $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{21}-31.4\left(c 1.15, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$ for $84 \%$ ee; IR $\left(\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right) v 1738 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $270 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 1.08(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 18 \mathrm{H}), 1.20-1.29(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.27(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 4.56$ (d, $J=9.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.94(\mathrm{~d}, J=9.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.80-6.85(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.17(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $7.33-7.36(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 12.6(\mathrm{CH}), 17.9\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 51.8\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 53.6$ $(\mathrm{CH}), 86.1(\mathrm{CH}), 111.4(\mathrm{CH}), 112.8(\mathrm{C}), 119.7(\mathrm{CH}), 127.0(\mathrm{C}), 127.5(\mathrm{CH}), 128.9(\mathrm{C}), 129.0$ (CH), $132.3(\mathrm{CH}), 156.3$ (C), 159.6 (C), 169.7 (C); LRMS (EI) m/z 504 (M ${ }^{+}$), 463, 433, 407,

207, 134; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{33} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{SiBr}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$504.1331, found 504.1332.
The enantiomeric excess of $\mathbf{8 a}$ was determined to be $84 \%$ by HPLC with a Chiralcel OD-H column (100:1 hexane $/ i-\operatorname{PrOH}, 0.5 \mathrm{~mL} / \mathrm{min}): t_{\mathrm{R}}($ major $)=20.6 \mathrm{~min}$ for $(2 R, 3 S)-\mathbf{8 a}, t_{\mathrm{R}}($ minor $)=$ 25.6 min for $(2 S, 3 R)-\mathbf{8 a}$.

Recrystallization was performed by dissolving $\mathbf{8 a}$ ( $520 \mathrm{mg}, 1.03 \mathrm{mmol}, 84 \%$ ee) in hexane ( 5 $\mathrm{mL})-\mathrm{EtOAc}(0.2 \mathrm{~mL})$ at $40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Colorless prisms formed at $-20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ after standing overnight, and were collected by suction, washed with ice-cold hexane ( 2 mL ) and dried in vacuo to give enantiomerically pure $\mathbf{8 a}(106 \mathrm{mg}, 20 \%)$ : $\mathrm{mp} 60.0-62.0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (hexane/EtOAc); $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{20}-38.7$ (c 1.11, $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ); Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{33} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{SiBr}: \mathrm{C}, 59.40 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.58 ; \mathrm{Br}, 15.81$. Found: C, $59.11 ; \mathrm{H}$, $6.36 ; \mathrm{Br}, 16.11$. The enantiopurity of $\mathbf{8 a}$ was determined to be $>99 \%$ ee by HPLC analysis.
The preferred absolute configuration of $\mathbf{8 a}$ was established as $(2 R, 3 S)$ by a single-crystal X-ray analysis. Suitable crystals of $\mathbf{8 a}$ for X-ray crystallographic analysis were obtained by recrystallization from $i-\mathrm{PrOH} / \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$.

## (2S,3S)-5-Bromo-3-methoxycarbonyl-2-(4-triisopropylsilyloxyphenyl)-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran (10a, Table 1, entry 2)

$\mathrm{Rh}_{2}(S-\mathrm{PTTL}) 4 \cdot 2 \mathrm{EtOAc}(1.42 \mathrm{mg}, 0.001 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{~mol} \%)$ was added to a solution of $\mathbf{9 a}(53.4 \mathrm{mg}, 0.10 \mathrm{mmol})$ in $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ $(1.0 \mathrm{~mL})$ at $-23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After stirring at this temperature for 0.5 h , the mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The ratio of
 8a/10a was determined to be $89: 11$ by ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR of the crude product. The residue ( 56 mg ) was purified by column chromatography (silica gel $5 \mathrm{~g}, 25: 1$ hexane $/ \mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ) to give $\mathbf{8 a}$ ( $31.8 \mathrm{mg}, 63 \%$ yield, $75 \%$ ee) as a white solid and $\mathbf{1 0 a}(4.4 \mathrm{mg}, 9 \%)$ as a colorless oil. 10a: $R_{f}=0.63$ (6:1 hexane/ $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ); $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{23}+26.5\left(c 0.22, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$ for $32 \%$ ee; IR (neat) $v 1744 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 400 $\left.\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 1.10(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 18 \mathrm{H}), 1.19-1.29(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.83(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 4.26(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 6.05(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.76(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.84-6.88(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.20-7.24(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $7.33(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.46(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 12.6(\mathrm{CH}), 17.9\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 52.9\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)$, $55.3(\mathrm{CH}), 86.1(\mathrm{CH}), 111.4(\mathrm{CH}), 112.5(\mathrm{C}), 120.1(\mathrm{CH}), 126.2(\mathrm{C}), 127.1(\mathrm{CH}), 128.1(\mathrm{CH})$, 132.2 (C), 132.4 (CH), 156.4 (C), 158.4 (C), 170.7 (C); HRMS (EI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{33} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{SiBr}$ $\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right) 504.1331$, found 504.1318. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{33} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{SiBr}$ : C, $59.40 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.58$; $\mathrm{Br}, 15.81$. Found: C, 59.41; H, 6.44; Br, 16.05.
The enantiomeric excess of 10a was determined to be $32 \%$ by HPLC with a Chiralpak IA column (100:1 hexane $/ i-\mathrm{PrOH}, 0.5 \mathrm{~mL} / \mathrm{min}$ ): $t_{\mathrm{R}}($ minor $)=11.9 \mathrm{~min}$ for $(2 R, 3 R)-\mathbf{1 0 a}, t_{\mathrm{R}}$ (major) $=15.0 \mathrm{~min}$ for $(2 S, 3 S)-\mathbf{1 0 a}$.
The preferred absolute configuration of $\mathbf{1 0 a}$ was determined to be $(2 S, 3 S)$ by comparison of the sign of optical rotation with that of the compound obtained by epimerization of $\mathbf{8 a}$ at the C3 stereocenter.


Pyridine ( 0.5 mL ) was added to ( $2 R, 3 S$ )-8a ( $25.0 \mathrm{mg}, 0.495 \mathrm{mmol}, 84 \%$ ee) at $23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After stirring for 15 h at $50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, the reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}(1 \mathrm{~mL})$. The whole was extracted with EtOAc ( 6 mL ), and the organic layer was washed with water ( 2 mL ) and brine ( $2 \times 2 \mathrm{~mL}$ ), and dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Filtration and evaporation in vacuo furnished the crude product ( 38 mg ), which was purified by column chromatography (silica gel $4 \mathrm{~g}, 25: 1$ hexane $/ \mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ) to provide $(2 R, 3 R)$ - $\mathbf{1 0 a}(23.0 \mathrm{mg}, 93 \%)$ as a colorless oil: $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{23}-62.3$ (c $1.08, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ) for $84 \%$ ee.
(2R,3R)-[5-Bromo-2-(4-triisopropylsilyloxyphenyl)-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-3-yl]methanol (20)

DIBAL-H ( 1.0 M in toluene, $5.2 \mathrm{~mL}, 5.2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) was added to a solution of ester $\mathbf{8 a}(1.20 \mathrm{~g}, 2.38 \mathrm{mmol}, 84 \% \mathrm{ee})$ in THF $(24 \mathrm{~mL})$ at $-23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After stirring at $-23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 30 min , the reaction was quenched by addition of methanol ( 1 mL ) and 1


M aqueous potassium sodium tartrate ( 30 mL ). The resulting mixture was stirred vigorously at $23^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 2 h , and the whole was extracted with $\operatorname{EtOAc}(2 \times 60 \mathrm{~mL})$. The organic layer was washed with brine $(2 \times 30 \mathrm{~mL})$ and dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Filtration and evaporation in vacuo furnished the crude product ( 1.4 g ), which was purified by column chromatography (silica gel $30 \mathrm{~g}, 15: 1$ hexane/EtOAc) to provide alcohol $20(1.10 \mathrm{~g}, 97 \%)$ as a colorless oil: $R_{f}=$ 0.38 (4:1 hexane/EtOAc); $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{21}+25.1\left(c 1.33, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$ for $84 \%$ ee; IR (neat) $v 3432 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 1.09(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 18 \mathrm{H}), 1.18-1.31(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.38-3.51(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $3.72(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.85(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.79(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.89-6.93(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.24-7.27$ $(\mathrm{m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.30(\mathrm{dd}, J=2.0,8.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.37(\mathrm{~d}, J=2.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ $\delta 12.5(\mathrm{CH}), 17.8\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 48.3(\mathrm{CH}), 62.6\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 86.5(\mathrm{CH}), 111.0(\mathrm{CH}), 112.4(\mathrm{C}), 120.0(\mathrm{CH})$, $127.2(\mathrm{CH}), 128.3(\mathrm{CH}), 128.7(\mathrm{C}), 130.9(\mathrm{C}), 131.4(\mathrm{CH}), 156.0(\mathrm{C}), 158.7(\mathrm{C}) ;$ HRMS (EI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{33} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{SiBr}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right) 476.1382$, found 476.1382. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{33} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{SiBr}$ : C , 60.37; H, 6.97; Br, 16.73. Found: C, 60.44; H, 6.89; Br, 16.88.
(2R,3R)-Methyl [5-bromo-2-(4-triisopropylsilyloxyphenyl)-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-3-yl]-ptoluenesulfonate (21)
$p$-Toluenesulfonyl chloride ( $658 \mathrm{mg}, 3.45 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) was added to a solution of alcohol $20(1.10 \mathrm{~g}, 2.30 \mathrm{mmol})$ in pyridine $(12 \mathrm{ml})$ at $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After stirring at $23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 15 h , the reaction


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was quenched with crushed ice. The whole was extracted with EtOAc $(2 \times 40 \mathrm{~mL})$. The organic layer was washed with $5 \%$ aqueous $\mathrm{HCl}(2 \times 20 \mathrm{~mL}), \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(20 \mathrm{~mL})$, saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}(20 \mathrm{~mL})$ and brine $(2 \times 20 \mathrm{~mL})$, and dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Filtration and evaporation in vacuo furnished the crude product ( 1.9 g ), which was purified by column chromatography (silica gel $30 \mathrm{~g}, 12: 1$ hexane/EtOAc) to provide sulfonate $21(1.39 \mathrm{~g}, 96 \%)$ as a white solid: $R_{f}=0.47$ (4:1 hexane/EtOAc); mp $69.0-71.0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for $84 \%$ ee; $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{21}+4.9(c 1.18$, $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ) for $84 \%$ ee; IR (KBr) $v 1513,1472 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 1.10(\mathrm{~d}, J=$ $7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 18 \mathrm{H}), 1.20-1.30(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.42(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.71(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.86(\mathrm{dt}, J=7.2,8.8$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.79(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.74(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.83(\mathrm{dt}, J=2.8,8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.11$ (dt, $J=2.8,8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.24-7.29(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 7.53(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 100 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 12.7(\mathrm{CH}), 18.0\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 21.7\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 45.3(\mathrm{CH}), 69.2\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 85.9(\mathrm{CH}), 111.2(\mathrm{CH})$, $112.7(\mathrm{C}), 120.1(\mathrm{CH}), 127.2(\mathrm{CH}), 127.6(\mathrm{CH}), 127.7(\mathrm{C}), 128.5(\mathrm{CH}), 129.1(\mathrm{C}), 129.7(\mathrm{CH})$, $132.0(\mathrm{CH}), 132.3$ (C), 144.7 (C), 156.2 (C), 158.6 (C); HRMS (EI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{31} \mathrm{H}_{39} \mathrm{O}_{5} \mathrm{SSiBr}$ $\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right) 630.1470$, found 630.1471 .
The enantiomeric excess of 21 was determined to be $84 \%$ by HPLC with a Chiralpak AD-H column ( $50: 1$ hexane $/ i-\operatorname{PrOH}, 1.0 \mathrm{~mL} / \mathrm{min}): t_{\mathrm{R}}($ major $)=11.1 \mathrm{~min}$ for $(2 R, 3 R)-\mathbf{2 1}, t_{\mathrm{R}}($ minor $)=$ 14.6 min for $(2 S, 3 S)-\mathbf{2 1}$.
$21\left(1.39 \mathrm{~g}, 84 \%\right.$ ee) was dissolved in hexane ( 15 mL )-EtOAc ( 2 mL ) at $50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and stored at $23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ overnight. Colorless prisms ( $238 \mathrm{mg}, 17 \%, 6 \%$ ee) are removed by filtration, and the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo to afford enantiomerically pure $21(1.15 \mathrm{~g}, 83 \%)$ : mp $54.0-55.0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (hexane/EtOAc); $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{22}+6.2\left(c 1.15, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right.$ ); Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{31} \mathrm{H}_{39} \mathrm{O}_{5} \mathrm{SSiBr}$ : C, 58.94; H, 6.22; S, 5.08; Br, 12.65. Found: C, 58.87; H, 6.09; S, 5.16, Br, 12.82. The enantiopurity of $\mathbf{2 1}$ was determined to be $>99 \%$ ee by HPLC analysis.
(2R,3R)-Methyl $\{5-[(E)$-propen-1-yl]-2-(4-triisopropylsilyloxyphenyl)-2,3-dihydrobenzo-furan-3-yl $\}$ - $p$-toluenesulfonate (22)
$\mathrm{PdCl}_{2}\left(\mathrm{PPh}_{3}\right)_{2}(27.2 \mathrm{mg}, 3.88 \mu \mathrm{~mol}, 5 \mathrm{~mol} \%)$ and $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{CO}_{3}$ ( $329 \mathrm{mg}, 3.10 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) were added to a mixture of sulfonate 21 ( $490 \mathrm{mg}, 0.776 \mathrm{mmol},>99 \%$ ee) and trans-1-propen-1ylboronic acid ( $133 \mathrm{mg}, 1.55 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in THF/ $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(4: 1,8$
 mL ), and the mixture was heated at reflux for 7 h . After cooling, the reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc ( 30 mL ), and the organic layer was washed with water $(2 \times 5 \mathrm{~mL})$ and brine $(2 \times 5 \mathrm{~mL})$, and dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Filtration and evaporation in vacuo furnished the crude product ( 580 mg ), which was purified by column chromatography (silica gel $20 \mathrm{~g}, 1: 2$ hexane/toluene) to provide sulfonate $22(350 \mathrm{mg}, 76 \%)$ as a colorless oil: $R_{f}=0.46$ (4:1 hexane/EtOAc); $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{21}-39.8\left(c 0.90, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$ for $>99 \%$ ee; IR (neat) $v 1609 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 1.10(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 18 \mathrm{H}), 1.21-1.30(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.87(\mathrm{dd}, J=1.7,6.6$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.41(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.68-3.92(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}) 5.78(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.04(\mathrm{dq}, J=6.6,15.8 \mathrm{~Hz}$,
$1 \mathrm{H}), 6.31(\mathrm{dd}, J=1.7,15.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.77-6.85(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.09-7.24(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 7.49-7.52(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$; ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 12.6(\mathrm{CH}), 17.9\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 18.4\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 21.6\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 45.3(\mathrm{CH}), 69.5$ $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 85.6(\mathrm{CH}), 109.4(\mathrm{CH}), 120.0(\mathrm{CH}), 122.7(\mathrm{CH}), 123.4(\mathrm{CH}), 126.8(\mathrm{C}), 127.2(\mathrm{CH})$, $127.3(\mathrm{CH}), 127.7(\mathrm{CH}), 128.4(\mathrm{C}), 129.6(\mathrm{CH}), 130.4(\mathrm{CH}), 131.5(\mathrm{C}), 132.4(\mathrm{C}), 144.6(\mathrm{C})$, 156.1 (C), 158.5 (C); HRMS (EI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{34} \mathrm{H}_{44} \mathrm{O}_{5} \mathrm{SSi}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right) 592.2678$, found 592.2661. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{34} \mathrm{H}_{44} \mathrm{O}_{5} \mathrm{SSi}$ : C, 68.88; H, 7.48; S, 5.41. Found: C, 68.81; H, 7.56; S, 5.42.

## (2R,3S)-3-Methyl-5-[(E)-propen-1-yl]-2-(4-triisopropylsilyloxyphenyl)-2,3-dihydrobenzofuran (23)

$\mathrm{LiBEt}_{3} \mathrm{H}$ ( 1.09 M solution in THF, $2.1 \mathrm{~mL}, 2.29 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) was added to a solution of sulfonate 22 ( $340 \mathrm{mg}, 0.573$ $\mathrm{mmol},>99 \% \mathrm{ee})$ in THF ( 3.0 mL ) at $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After stirring at $23^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 10 h , the reaction was quenched by addition


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of water ( 3 mL ). The whole was extracted with EtOAc ( 30 mL ), and the organic layer was washed with water ( 5 mL ) and brine $(2 \times 5 \mathrm{~mL})$, and dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Filtration and evaporation in vacuo furnished the crude product ( 379 mg ), which was purified by column chromatography (silica gel $15 \mathrm{~g}, 30: 1$ hexane/EtOAc) to provide silyl ether 23 ( $213 \mathrm{mg}, 88 \%$ ) as a colorless oil: $R_{f}=0.46$ (4:1 hexane/EtOAc); $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{21}-11.5\left(c 0.95, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$ for $>99 \%$ ee; IR (neat) $v 1610 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 0.81(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.08(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $18 \mathrm{H}), 1.19-1.28(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.86(\mathrm{dd}, J=1.8,6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.58-3.66(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.75(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.6 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 6.08(\mathrm{dq}, ~ J=6.8,15.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.36(\mathrm{dd}, J=1.8,15.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.80-6.87(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H})$, 7.10-7.15 (m, 4H); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $\left.100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 12.6(\mathrm{CH}), 16.7\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 17.9\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 18.4$ $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 40.8(\mathrm{CH}), 87.9(\mathrm{CH}), 109.1(\mathrm{CH}), 119.7(\mathrm{CH}), 121.5(\mathrm{CH}), 122.9(\mathrm{CH}), 126.2(\mathrm{CH})$, 127.4 (CH), 130.4 (C), 130.7 (CH), 131.2 (C), 133.1 (C), 155.6 (C), 158.3 (C); HRMS (EI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{27} \mathrm{H}_{38} \mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{Si}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right) 422.2641$, found 422.2643. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{27} \mathrm{H}_{38} \mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{Si}: \mathrm{C}, 76.72 ; \mathrm{H}$, 9.06. Found: C, 76.83; H, 9.22.

## (2R,3S)-epi-Conocarpan (2)

TBAF ( 0.4 M solution in THF, $0.8 \mathrm{~mL}, 0.32 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) was added to a solution of silyl ether $23(90 \mathrm{mg}, 0.213 \mathrm{mmol}$, $>99 \%$ ee $)$ in THF/AcOH ( $6 ; 1,1.4 \mathrm{~mL}$ ) at $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After stirring at $23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 8 h , the reaction was quenched with water ( 3

(-)-epi-conocarpan (2) $\mathrm{mL})$. The whole was extracted with $\operatorname{EtOAc}(30 \mathrm{~mL})$, and the organic layer was washed with water ( $3 \times 5 \mathrm{~mL}$ ) and brine $(2 \times 5 \mathrm{~mL})$, and dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Filtration and evaporation in vacuo furnished the crude product ( 141 mg ), which was purified by column chromatography (silica gel $8 \mathrm{~g}, 8: 1$ hexane/EtOAc) to provide ( - )-epi-conocarpan (2) $(53.3 \mathrm{mg}$, $94 \%)$ as a white amorphous solid: $R_{f} 0.37\left(3: 1\right.$ hexane/EtOAc); $[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{21}-9.7(c 0.45, \mathrm{MeOH})$ for
$>99 \%$ ee $\left[\right.$ lit. $\left.{ }^{5}[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{21}-33.3(c 0.03, \mathrm{MeOH})\right]$; IR (neat) $v 3388,2964,1614,1015 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ; \mathrm{CD}(c$ $0.003, \mathrm{MeOH}):[\theta]_{209} 0,[\theta]_{228}+54825,[\theta]_{241} 0,[\theta]_{262}-28671,[\theta]_{278} 0,[\theta]_{285}+6609\left[\right.$ lit. ${ }^{5} \mathrm{CD}(c$ $\left.0.003, \mathrm{MeOH}):[\theta]_{218} 0,[\theta]_{229}+14390,[\theta]_{235} 0,[\theta]_{243}-9923,[\theta]_{275} 0,[\theta]_{282}+2658\right] ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 0.83(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.86(\mathrm{dd}, J=1.7,6.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.63(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.79$ (s, 1H), $5.75(\mathrm{~d}, J=9.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.08(\mathrm{dq}, J=6.9,15.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.36(\mathrm{dd}, J=1.7,15.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, 6.80-6.83 (m, 3H), 7.11-7.19 (m, 4H); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $\left.100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 16.7\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 18.4\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)$, $40.7(\mathrm{CH}), 87.9(\mathrm{CH}), 109.1(\mathrm{CH}), 115.1(\mathrm{CH}), 121.5(\mathrm{CH}), 123.0(\mathrm{CH}), 126.2(\mathrm{CH}), 127.8$ (CH), 130.0 (C), 130.7 (CH), 131.3 (C), 133.0 (C), 155.0 (C), 158.0 (C); LRMS (EI) m/z 266 $\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right), 251$; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{2}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$266.1307, found 266.1304.
The enantiopurity of synthetic (-)-epi-conocarpan (2) was determined to be $>99 \%$ ee by comparison of HPLC retention time (Chiralcel OD-H column, 9:1 hexane $/ i-\mathrm{PrOH}, 1.0 \mathrm{~mL} / \mathrm{min}$ ) with the racemic sample: $t_{R}=10.1 \mathrm{~min}$ for $(2 R, 3 S) \mathbf{2}, t_{R}=20.5 \mathrm{~min}$ for $(2 S, 3 R) \mathbf{- 2}$.

## (2S,3S)-Conocarpan (1)

$\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{CO}_{3}(53.3 \mathrm{mg}, 0.50 \mathrm{mmol})$ was added to a solution of $(-)-2(53.3 \mathrm{mg}, 0.20 \mathrm{mmol})$ in $\mathrm{MeOH}(2.0 \mathrm{~mL})$ at $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After stirring at $23{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 1 h , the reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}(3 \mathrm{~mL})$. The whole was

(+)-conocarpan (1) extracted with EtOAc ( 30 mL ), and the organic layer was washed with water ( 5 mL ) and brine ( $2 \times 5 \mathrm{~mL}$ ), and dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Filtration and evaporation in vacuo furnished the crude product ( 64 mg ), which was purified by column chromatography (silica gel $20 \mathrm{~g}, 8: 1$ hexane/EtOAc) to afford a $12: 1$ mixture of $\mathbf{1} / \mathbf{2}(52.0 \mathrm{mg}, 98 \%)$. The mixture was dissolved in hexane/EtOAc (5:1, 1.2 mL ) at $60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Colorless plates formed at $23^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ after standing overnight, and were collected by suction, washed with ice-cold hexane ( 1 mL ) and dried in vacuo to give $(+)$-conocarpan (1) ( $37.7 \mathrm{mg}, 71 \%$ ): $R_{f}=0.37$ (3:1 hexane/EtOAc); mp $137-139{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (hexane/EtOAc) $\left[\right.$ lit. $\left.{ }^{6} \mathrm{mp} 133-135{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right] ;[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{22}+117(c 1.18, \mathrm{MeOH})\left[\right.$ lit. ${ }^{6}[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}{ }^{21}+122(c 1.03$, $\mathrm{MeOH})$; IR (neat) $v 3376,1615,1599 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 1.39(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $3 \mathrm{H}), 1.86$ (d, $J=1.7,6.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.39(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.80(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.08$ (d, $J=8.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.09$ (dq, $J=6.6,15.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.36(\mathrm{dd}, J=1.7,15.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.76(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0 \mathrm{~Hz} 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.83-6.85(\mathrm{~m}$, $3 \mathrm{H}), 7.11-7.14(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.29-7.31(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $\left.100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 17.9\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 18.4$ $\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 45.2(\mathrm{CH}), 92.6(\mathrm{CH}), 109.3(\mathrm{CH}), 115.4(\mathrm{CH}), 120.7(\mathrm{CH}), 123.1(\mathrm{CH}), 126.3(\mathrm{CH})$, 127.9 (CH), 130.7 (CH), 131.2 (C), 132.3 (C), 132.8 (C), 155.6 (C), 158.2 (C); LRMS (EI) m/z $266\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right), 251$; HRMS (EI) calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{2}\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$266.1307, found 266.1304.

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Figure 1. X-ray structure of 8a.


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| 1 | 20.43 | 1297146 | 50.21 |
| 2 | 26.36 | 1286267 | 49.79 |



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| 1 | 20.57 | 14611856 | 92.10 |
| 2 | 25.59 | 1253687 | 7.90 |



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| Peak No. | Time (min) | Area $\left[\mu \mathrm{V}^{-} \mathrm{sec}\right]$ | Area $\%$ |
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| 1 | 11.82 | 452079 | 49.94 |
| 2 | 15.25 | 453180 | 50.06 |



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| Peak No. | Time (min) | Area $\left[\mu \mathrm{V}^{-} \mathrm{sec}\right]$ | Area $\%$ |
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| 1 | 11.85 | 1826356 | 33.83 |
| 2 | 15.03 | 3572047 | 66.17 |



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| 1 | 14.31 | 4247935 | 50.01 |
| 2 | 18.50 | 4246675 | 49.99 |



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| Peak No. | Time (min) | Area $\left[\mu \mathrm{V}^{-} \mathrm{sec}\right]$ | Area $\%$ |
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| 1 | 13.95 | 1873743 | 92.11 |
| 2 | 18.63 | 160531 | 7.89 |



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| Peak No. | Time (min) | Area $\left[\mu \mathrm{V}^{-} \mathrm{sec}\right]$ | Area $\%$ |
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| 1 | 14.22 | 5576513 | 100.00 |


racemate of epi-conocarpan

| Peak No. | Time (min) | Area [ $\mathrm{V}^{\star}$ sec] | Area \% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 10.09 | 1064994 | 50.22 |
| 2 | 20.49 | 1055461 | 49.78 |


synthetic (-)-epi-conocarpan

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| 1 | 9.95 | 4830618 | 100.00 |


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