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Protecting Group-Free and Catalysis-Based Total Synthesis of the Ecklonialactones

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General. All reactions were carried out under Ar in flame-dried glassware. The solvents used were purified by distillation over the drying agents indicated and were transferred under Ar: THF, Et₂O, 1,4-dioxane (Mg/anthracene), CH₂Cl₂, DME, MeCN (CaH₂), hexane, toluene (Na/K), MeOH (Mg). Flash chromatography (FC): Merck silica gel 60 (230–400 mesh). NMR: Spectra were recorded on Bruker DPX 300, AMX 300, AV 400, and AVIII 600 spectrometer in the solvents indicated; chemical shifts (δ) are given in ppm relative to TMS, coupling constants (J) in Hz. The solvent signals were used as references and the chemical shifts converted to the TMS scale (CDCl₃: $\delta_C \equiv 77.0$ ppm; residual CHCl₃ in CDCl₃: $\delta_H \equiv 7.26$ ppm; CD₂Cl₂: $\delta_C \equiv 53.8$ ppm; residual ¹H: $\delta_H \equiv 5.32$ ppm; [D₈]-toluene: $\delta_C \equiv 20.7$ ppm; residual D₅C₆CD₂H: $\delta_H \equiv 2.09$ ppm). IR: Spectrum One (Perkin-Elmer) spectrometer, wavenumbers ($\tilde{\nu}$) in cm⁻¹. MS (EI): Finnigan MAT 8200 (70 eV), ESI-MS: ESQ3000 (Bruker), accurate mass determinations: Bruker APEX III FT-MS (7 T magnet) or Mat 95 (Finnigan). Unless stated otherwise, all commercially available compounds (Fluka, Lancaster, Aldrich) were used as received.

Pinacol Boronate 12. Pinacol borane (16 mL, 110 mmol) was slowly added to phenylacetylene (12.8 mL, 122 mmol) and the resulting mixture was stirred at 140° C for 5 d. After reaching ambient temperature, the product was purified by distillation (72–74 ° C, 10⁻³ mbar) to give boronate **12** as a colorless oil, which crystallized upon storage in the freezer (22.6 g, 89 %). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.48–7.50 (m, 2 H), 7.40 (d, J = 18.4 Hz, 1 H), 7.27–7.36 (m, 3 H), 6.18 (d, J = 18.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.32 ppm (s, 12 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 149.5, 137.4, 128.9, 128.5, 127.0, 83.3, 24.8 ppm; ¹¹B NMR (128 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 31.0 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3022 (w), 2977 (m), 2931 (w), 1620 (s), 1575 (m), 1494 (m), 1448 (m), 1385 (m), 1347 (s), 1319 (s), 1269 (w), 1208 (s), 1163 (w), 1140 (s), 1107 (w), 1072 (w), 996 (m), 968 (m), 849 (m), 746 (s), 690 (s) cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 230 (89) [M]⁺, 215 (31), 202 (1), 187 (10), 172 (10), 157 (11), 144 (100), 130 (91), 118 (14), 105 (22), 85 (8), 77 (13), 71 (2), 59 (6), 43 (16), 29 (3); HRMS (EI): m/z : calcd. for C₁₄H₁₉O₂B: 230.1478 [M]⁺; found: 230.1480.

Compound 13. Diene **21** (15 mg, 57 μ mol)¹ and aq. KOH (1.5 M, 570 μ L) were successively added to a solution of [Rh(C₂H₄)Cl]₂ (10 mg, 26 μ mol) in 1,4-dioxane (10 mL) and the resulting mixture was stirred for 15 min before pinacol boronate **12** (790 mg, 3.4 mmol) and 2[5H]-furanone **11** (140 mg, 1.7 mmol) and a catalytic amount of SiO₂ were introduced. The mixture was stirred for 3d at ambient temperature before all volatile materials were evaporated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (pentanes/Et₂O, 1:1) to give compound **13** as a colorless syrup, which solidified upon standing (170 mg, 52%, 80% ee, [α]_D²⁰ = +19 (c = 0.1, CH₂Cl₂)). Recrystallization from pentanes/CH₂Cl₂ increased the ee to 93% (140 mg, 43%) (GC: 25 m Hydrodex-B column, \varnothing 0.25 mm, 230/200 50 min iso 8/min 230 5 min iso/350; 0.5 bar H₂, FID detector, R_t = 43.9 min, R_t (enantiomer) = 45.2 min). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.24–7.37 (m, 5 H), 6.53 (d, J = 15.9 Hz, 1 H), 6.11 (dd, J = 15.7, 8.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.51 (dd, J = 8.8, 7.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.10 (dd, J = 9.0, 8.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.35–3.46 (m, 1 H), 2.76 (dd, J = 17.4, 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.48 ppm (dd, J = 17.4, 9.1 Hz, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 176.4, 136.1, 132.7, 128.7, 128.0, 126.9, 126.3, 72.5, 39.5, 34.7 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 1773 (s), 1760 (s), 1493 (w), 1478 (w), 1450 (w), 1417 (w), 1356 (w), 1273 (w), 1221 (w), 1178 (s), 1163 (m), 1042 (w), 1004 (m), 976 (m), 889 (w), 838 (w) cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 188 (50) [M]⁺, 141 (1), 130 (100), 115 (27), 104 (6), 91 (7), 77 (6), 71 (3), 64 (12), 51 (9), 39 (5), 27 (2); HRMS (EI): m/z : calcd. for C₁₂H₁₂O₂: 188.0837 [M]⁺; found: 188.0838. The enantiomer of this compound has been prepared in the

¹ Defieber, C.; Paquin, J.-F.; Serna, S.; Carreira, E. M. *Org. Lett.* **2004**, *6*, 3873.

literature by a different route, allowing the absolute configuration of **13** to be assigned as shown in Scheme 1 by comparison of the rotatory power [*ent*-**13**, ee = 91%, $[\alpha]_D^{23} = -33.9$ (c = 1.0, CHCl₃)].²

Compound 14. *n*BuLi (1.6 M in heptanes, 200 μ L, 0.32 mmol) was added to a solution of *i*Pr₂NH (49 μ L, 0.35 mmol) in THF (8 mL) at -78° C and the resulting mixture stirred at 0° C for 30 min. After cooling to -78° C, a solution of compound **13** (60 mg, 0.32 mmol) in THF (6 mL) was introduced and stirring continued at this temperature for 30 min prior to the addition of allyl iodide (35 μ L, 0.38 mmol). After an additional 45 min, the reaction was quenched with aq. sat. NaHCO₃ (5 mL), the aqueous phase was extracted with Et₂O (3 x 5 mL), the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (pentanes/Et₂O, 10:1) to give product **14** as a colorless oil (63 mg, 87%). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +56$ (c = 0.05, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.38-7.25 (m, 5 H), 6.52 (d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, 1 H), 6.03 (dd, *J* = 15.9, 8.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.87-5.77 (m, 1 H), 5.19-5.12 (m, 2 H), 4.42 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 8.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.99 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 9.1 Hz, 1 H), 3.21-3.11 (m, 1 H), 2.58-2.47 ppm (m, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 177.5, 136.1, 133.9, 133.8, 128.7, 128.1, 126.3, 126.2, 118.5, 70.2, 45.1, 44.6, 32.1 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3078 (w), 3027 (w), 2984 (w), 2907 (w), 1769 (s), 1641 (w), 1495 (w), 1352 (w), 1160 (m), 1013 (s), 966 (m), 748 (m) cm⁻¹; MS (EI): *m/z* (%): 228 (56) [M]⁺, 186 (85), 170 (28), 155 (28), 141 (99), 129 (100), 115 (54), 104 (57), 91 (62), 79 (42), 66 (14), 51 (15), 39 (23); HRMS (EI): *m/z*: calcd. for C₁₅H₁₆O₂ [M]⁺ 228.1150, found: 228.1152.

Compound 16. Me₃Al (2 M in heptanes, 329 μ L, 0.66 mmol) was added to a solution of *N,O*-dimethylhydroxylamine hydrochloride (64 mg, 0.66 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) at 0° C and the resulting mixture was warmed to ambient temperature and stirred for 2 h. A solution of compound **14** (60 mg, 0.26 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) was then introduced at 0° C and stirring continued at this temperature for 2 h before the reaction was quenched by careful addition of aq. H₂SO₄ (3 mL, 10 % v/v). The aqueous phase was washed with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 4 mL), the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated. The residue was rapidly passed through a short pad of silica, eluting with hexanes/EtOAc (1:2). Product **15** thus obtained was immediately dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL), indenylidene metathesis catalyst **22** (19 mg, 0.02 mmol, 8 mol%) was added, and the resulting mixture was stirred overnight at ambient temperature. For work up, the solvent was evaporated and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc, 1:2) to give product **16** as a yellow syrup (36 mg, 75 % for two steps). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -169$ (c = 0.7, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 5.57-5.53 (m, 1 H), 5.57-5.54 (m, 1 H), 3.71 (s, 3 H), 3.69-3.65 (m, 1 H), 5.38-3.54 (m, 1 H), 3.28 (br t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 2 H), 3.20 (s, 3 H), 2.74-2.66 (m, 1 H), 2.59-2.51 (m, 1 H), 2.02 ppm (br s, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 176.6, 130.9, 129.9, 65.5, 61.3, 52.6, 42.4, 37.1, 32.5 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3417 (br, m), 3051 (w), 2934 (m), 1636 (s), 1444 (m), 1386 (s), 1324 (m), 1177 (m), 1116 (w), 1074 (m), 1030 (s), 1006 (s), 967 (m), 949 (w), 890 (w), 852 (w), 710 (s) cm⁻¹; MS (EI): *m/z* (%): 185 (6) [M]⁺, 167 (9), 154 (1), 136 (1), 125 (30), 108 (11), 97 (12), 79 (100), 67 (46), 61 (29), 55 (5), 41 (18), 31 (9); HRMS (ESI): *m/z*: calcd. for C₉H₁₅NO₃Na: 208.0944 [M+Na]⁺; found: 208.0944.

Compound 17. NaHCO₃ (908 mg, 10.81 mmol) and Dess-Martin periodinane (688 mg, 1.61 mmol) were successively added to a solution of compound **16** (200 mg, 1.08 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (12 mL) and the resulting mixture was stirred for 1.5 h. The reaction was quenched at 0° C with aq. sat. Na₂S₂O₃, the aqueous phase was extracted with CH₂Cl₂, and the combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography

² Kim, S.-G. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **2008**, *49*, 6148.

(pentanes/Et₂O, 1:1) to give aldehyde **17** as a pale yellow oil, which turned out to be rather unstable and was therefore used without delay in the next step (144 mg, 73 %). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -189.6$ ($c = 0.43$, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 9.69$ (s, 1 H), 5.84-5.81-5.84 (m, 1 H), 5.73-5.70 (m, 1 H), 4.01 (br s, 1 H), 3.81 (q, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1 H), 3.72 (br s, 3 H), 3.20 (s, 3 H), 2.78-2.62 ppm (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 199.7, 174.8, 132.7, 124.6, 62.7, 61.3, 38.4, 35.5, 32.5$ ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 2939$ (m), 2718 (w), 1720 (s), 1652 (s), 1443 (m), 1386 (s), 1342 (w), 1316 (w), 1176 (m), 1113 (m), 1003 (s), 964 (m), 948 (m), 843 (w), 704 (s) cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 183 (16) [M]⁺, 166 (1), 154 (6), 134 (1), 123 (27), 105 (3), 95 (12), 79 (8), 67 (100), 61 (32), 46 (4), 39 (20), 29 (4); HRMS (EI): m/z : calcd. for C₉H₁₃NO₃: 183.0895 [M]⁺; found: 183.0893.

Compound 18. Compound **23** (227 mg, 1.18 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (217 mg, 1.57 mmol) were added to a solution of aldehyde **17** (144 mg, 0.79 mmol) in MeOH (10 mL) and the resulting mixture was stirred overnight. For work up, the mixture was partitioned between CH₂Cl₂ and brine, the combined organic layers were dried (Na₂SO₄) and evaporated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (pentanes/Et₂O 4:1) to give the corresponding terminal alkyne as a colorless oil (106 mg, 75 %), which analyzed as follows: $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -165$ ($c = 0.22$, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 5.71$ -5.68 (m, 1 H), 5.64-5.61 (m, 1 H), 3.99-3.94 (m, 1 H), 3.74 (s, 3 H), 3.58 (br q, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 1 H), 3.22 (s, 3 H), 2.77 (ddq, $J = 16.4, 9.5, 2.3$ Hz, 1 H), 2.49 (ddq, $J = 16.3, 7.4, 2.4$ Hz, 1 H), 2.14 ppm (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 175.2, 130.1, 129.6, 85.9, 69.3, 61.7, 47.0, 39.5, 36.9, 32.4$ ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 3292$ (m), 2939 (m), 1652 (s), 1445 (m), 1423 (m), 1386 (s) 1340 (m), 1311 (w), 1163 (s), 1101 (m), 1008 (s), 975 (m), 937 (m), 814 (w), 767 (w) cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 179 (5) [M]⁺, 164 (< 1), 148 (16), 133 (< 1), 119 (25), 106 (2), 91 (100), 77 (2), 65 (29), 61 (8), 51 (5), 39 (12), 27 (2); HRMS (EI): m/z : calcd. for C₁₀H₁₃NO₂: 179.0946 [M]⁺; found: 179.0946.

LiHMDS (177 mg, 1.06 mmol) was added to a solution of the terminal alkyne (150 mg, 0.84 mmol) in THF (5 mL) at -78° C. After stirring for 1.5 h, MeOTf (147 μ L 1.3 mmol) was introduced and stirring continued at that temperature for 1 h. The reaction was quenched with aq. sat. NaHCO₃ while cold before the mixture was allowed to reach ambient temperature. A standard extractive work up followed by flash chromatography of the crude material (pentanes/Et₂O, 4:1) gave product **18** as a colorless oil (130 mg, 80 %). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -307$ ($c = 0.4$, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 5.66$ -5.63 (m, 1 H), 5.60-5.57 (m, 1 H), 3.91-3.86 (m, 1 H), 3.73 (s, 3 H), 3.53-3.48 (m, 1 H), 2.21 (s, 3 H), 2.78-2.69 (m, 1 H), 2.49-2.43 (m, 1 H), 1.76 ppm (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 175.5, 131.0, 128.8, 80.8, 76.8, 61.6, 47.2, 39.9, 36.8, 32.3, 3.5$ ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 2941$ (w), 2919 (w), 1656 (s), 1443 (m), 1416 (m), 1384 (s), 1342 (m), 1310 (m), 1176 (m), 1102 (m), 1005 (s), 945 (m), 809 (w) cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 193 (7) [M]⁺, 178 (<1), 162 (23), 147 (1), 133 (30), 121 (3), 105 (100), 91 (2), 79 (41), 65 (6), 58 (6), 51 (10), 39 (11), 27 (9); HRMS (EI): m/z : calcd. for C₁₁H₁₅NO₂: 193.1102 [M]⁺; found: 193.1103.

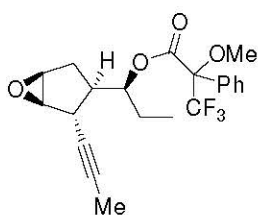
Ketone 19. EtMgBr (3 M in THF, 95 μ L, 0.28 mmol) was added to a solution of Weinreb amide **18** (50 mg, 0.26 mmol) in THF (2 mL) at 0° C and the resulting mixture stirred at that temperature for 30 min before the reaction was quenched with aq. sat. NH₄Cl (2 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O (3 x 2 mL), the combined organic phases were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (pentanes/Et₂O, 7:1) to give ketone **19** as a colorless oil (39 mg, 93 %). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -394$ ($c = 0.25$, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 5.53$ -5.49 (m, 1 H); 5.43-5.39 (m, 1 H), 3.59-3.52 (m, 1 H), 3.13 (dt, $J = 9.2, 7.6$ Hz, 1 H), 2.57-2.33 (m, 4 H), 1.65 (d, $J = 2.6$ Hz, 3 H), 0.95 ppm (t, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 211.1, 130.6, 128.9, 80.6, 76.9, 57.3,$

38.8, 35.4, 34.9, 7.8, 3.6 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3064 (w), 2977 (w), 2920 (w), 2857 (w), 1711 (s), 1446 (w), 1411 (w), 1362 (w), 1205 (w), 1118 (m), 1029 (w), 940 (w), 902 (w), 715 (m) cm^{-1} ; MS (EI): m/z (%): 161 (3) $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^+$, 147 (7), 133 (100), 119 (5), 105 (72), 91 (19), 79 (45), 65 (8), 57 (61), 51 (13), 39 (15), 29 (47); HRMS (CI, *iso*-butane): m/z : calcd. for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}$: 163.1123 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found: 163.1122.

Alcohol 20. L-Selectride (1 M in THF, 660 μL , 0.66 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of ketone **19** (97 mg, 0.6 mmol) in THF (10 mL) at -78°C and the resulting mixture stirred at that temperature for 2 h before the reaction was quenched by careful addition of aq. sat. NH_4Cl (1 mL) to the cold mixture. After reaching ambient temperature, the mixture was diluted with aq. sat. NH_4Cl (6 mL), the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 5 mL), the combined organic phases were dried (Na_2SO_4) and evaporated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (pentanes/ Et_2O , 7:1) to give alcohol **20** as a colorless oil (68 mg, 69 %). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -232$ ($c = 0.2$, CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 5.71\text{-}5.68$ (m, 1 H), 5.59-5.56 (m, 1 H), 3.58-3.53 (m, 1 H), 3.43-3.38 (m, 1 H), 2.51-2.44 (m, 1 H), 2.37 (dq, $J = 8.3, 7.6$ Hz, 1 H), 2.12-2.04 (m, 1 H), 1.79 (d, $J = 2.3$ Hz, 3 H), 1.67-1.57 (m, 1 H), 1.52-1.40 (m, 1 H), 0.99 ppm (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 131.7, 130.2, 81.8, 76.9, 76.8, 52.3, 38.5, 35.4, 28.6, 9.9, 3.6$ ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3419 (m, br), 3057 (w), 2961 (m), 2920 (s), 2855 (m), 1458 (m), 1378 (m), 1304 (m), 1123 (m), 1060 (m), 1029 (m), 970 (s), 943 (s), 892 (m), 718 (s), 679 (m) cm^{-1} ; MS (EI): m/z (%): 164 (< 1) $[\text{M}]^+$, 146 (28), 135 (27), 131 (14), 117 (100), 104 (19), 91 (64), 79 (24), 65 (10), 59 (9), 51 (9), 39 (13), 31 (10); HRMS (CI, *iso*-butane): m/z : calcd. for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}$: 165.1279 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found: 165.1277.

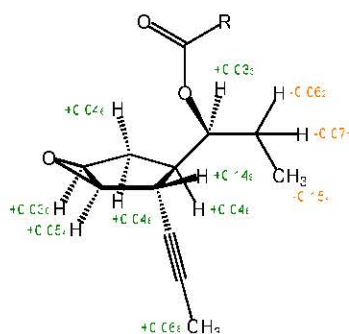
Compound 28. $\text{VO}(\text{acac})_2$ (7.8 mg, 0.03 mmol) was added to a solution of alcohol **20** (85 mg, 0.52 mg) in CH_2Cl_2 (10 mL) prior to the slow addition of *t*BuOOH (5.5 M in decane, 133 μL , 0.73 mmol). After stirring for 2 h, additional $\text{VO}(\text{acac})_2$ (7.8 mg, 0.03 mmol) was introduced and stirring continued for 1 h. For work up, the mixture was poured into aq. sat. $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ (10 mL), the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 5 mL), the combined organic phases were dried (Na_2SO_4) and evaporated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (pentanes/ Et_2O , 4:1) to give epoxide **28** as a colorless oil (90 mg, 94 %). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -97$ ($c = 0.14$, CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 3.57$ (dd, $J = 4.2$ Hz, 1 H), 3.53 (d, $J = 2.7$ Hz, 1 H), 3.38 (d, $J = 2.7$ Hz, OH), 3.31 (ddt, $J = 7.6, 5.5, 3.0$ Hz, 1 H), 3.15 (dq, $J = 4.7$ Hz, 1 H), 2.39 (ddt, $J = 10.7, 3.2, 1.7$ Hz, 1 H), 2.31 (ddd, $J = 14.9, 10.8, 1.6$ Hz, 1 H), 1.96 (dd, $J = 14.9, 1.7$ Hz, 1 H), 1.77 (d, $J = 2.6$ Hz, 3 H), 1.46 (dq, $J = 13.7, 7.5$ Hz, 1 H), 1.41 (ddq, $J = 13.8, 7.4, 5.6$ Hz, 1 H), 0.91 ppm (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 78.6$ (s), 77.9 (s), 75.2 (d, $J = 143$ Hz), 61.9 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 190$ Hz), 59.2 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 186$ Hz), 49.1 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 134$ Hz), 32.4 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 131$ Hz), 31.3 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 138$ Hz), 29.4 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 125$ Hz), 10.3 (q, $J_{\text{CH}} = 125$ Hz), 3.6 ppm (q, $J_{\text{CH}} = 131$ Hz); IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3434 (br), 2961 (m), 2922 (m), 2876 (m), 1439 (m), 1404 (m), 1263 (m), 1104 (m), 1054 (m), 975 (s), 940 (m), 840 (s), 693 (m) cm^{-1} ; MS (EI): m/z (%): 180 (< 1) $[\text{M}]^+$, 161 (< 1), 151 (22), 133 (7), 121 (18), 105 (100), 91 (29), 79 (64), 66 (15), 57 (15), 39 (22), 29 (18); HRMS (EI): m/z : calcd. for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_2$: 180.1150 $[\text{M}]^+$; found: 180.1152.

(R)-Mosher-Ester: ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 7.56$ (m, 2 H), 7.40 (m, 3 H), 4.96 (ddd, $J = 9.9, 6.2, 3.4$ Hz, 1 H), 3.59 (q, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 3 H), 3.48 (m, 1 H), 3.43 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1 H), 2.66 (dq, $J = 4.6$ Hz, 1 H), 2.36 (tt, $J = 9.9, 1.9$ Hz, 1 H), 2.03 (ddd, $J = 15.0, 9.9, 1.4$ Hz, 1 H), 1.83 (dd, $J = 15.0, 2.0$ Hz, 1 H), 1.77 (ddq, $J = 15.1, 3.4, 7.5$ Hz, 1 H), 1.57 (ddq, $J = 15.0, 6.3, 7.5$ Hz, 1 H), 1.70 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 3 H), 0.83 ppm (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 166.1, 132.1, 129.5, 128.4, 127.4, 123.4$ (q, $J_{\text{CF}} = 288.5$ Hz), 84.5 (q, $J_{\text{CF}} = 27.5$ Hz),



81.3, 78.5, 77.2, 60.8, 57.8, 55.4, 46.7, 33.8, 28.7, 24.5, 8.4, 3.5 ppm.

(S)-Mosher-Ester: ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 7.59 (m, 2 H), 7.39 (m, 3 H), 4.99 (ddd, J = 10.2, 6.4, 3.4, 1 H), 3.59 (q, J = 1.1 Hz, 3 H), 3.51 (m, 1 H), 3.49 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.81 (dq, J = 4.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.41 (tt, J = 9.9, 1.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.08 (ddd, J = 15.0, 9.9, 1.3, 1 H), 1.88 (dd, J = 15.0, 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 1.77 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 3 H), 1.70 (ddq, J = 15.0, 3.4, 7.5 Hz, 1 H), 1.50 (ddq, J = 15.0, 6.7, 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 0.68 ppm (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 166.1, 132.3, 129.5, 128.4, 127.3, 123.9 (q, J_{CF} = 288.7 Hz), 84.4 (q, J_{CF} = 27.5 Hz), 81.5, 79.9, 77.3, 60.8, 57.9, 55.6 (q, J_{CF} = 1.3 Hz), 46.8, 34.3, 28.9, 24.4, 8.0, 3.6 ppm.



Scheme S-1. Analysis of the Mosher Esters

9-Undecyanoic acid chloride. 9-Undecyanoic acid (350 mg, 1.92 mmol) was dissolved in SOCl_2 (8 mL) and the resulting solution stirred for 2 h at 85°C . After reaching ambient temperature, excess SOCl_2 was distilled off under vacuum and the residue purified by bulb-to-bulb distillation ($4 \cdot 10^{-3}$ mbar, 60 – 63°C) to give the title compound as a colorless liquid (348 mg, 90%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, C_6D_6): δ = 2.17–2.14 (m, 2 H), 2.08–2.03 (m, 2 H), 1.59 (t, J = 2.5 Hz, 3 H), 1.34 (m, 2 H), 1.20–1.12 (m, 4 H), 0.93–0.78 ppm (m, 4 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, C_6D_6): δ = 173.8, 79.9, 76.3, 47.5, 29.9, 29.3 (2 C), 28.9, 25.6, 19.7, 3.9 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2931 (s), 2858 (s), 1795 (s), 1463 (m), 1404 (m), 954 (s), 719 (s), 679 (s) cm^{-1} ; MS (EI): m/z (%): 200 (1) $[\text{M}]^+$, 185 (1), 165 (26), 158 (4), 147 (6), 135 (4), 121 (13), 107 (15), 95 (49), 81 (63), 68 (86), 55 (100), 41 (90), 27 (39); HRMS (CI, *i*-butane): calcd. for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{18}\text{OCl}$: 201.1046 $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$; found: 201.1044.

Compound 29. Carbodiimide *p*-toluenesulfonate **31** (85 mg, 0.2 mmol) was added to a solution of 9-undecyanoic acid (30 mg, 0.17 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1.5 mL) and the resulting mixture stirred for 1.5 h before a solution of alcohol **28** (20 mg, 0.11 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1.5 mL) was introduced. DMAP (0.67 mg, 5.6 μmol) was then added and the resulting mixture stirred at ambient temperature overnight. For work up, all volatile materials were evaporated and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc, 15:1) to give ester **29** as a colorless oil (23 mg, 61%). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -101$ (c = 0.78, CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 4.77 (ddd, J = 9.2, 7.5, 3.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.49 (t, J = 1.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.48 (t, J = 2.9 Hz, 1 H), 2.83 (dt, J = 5.0, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.39 (tt, J = 2.9, 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.32 (td, J = 7.5, 1.7 Hz, 2 H), 2.14–2.06 (m, 3 H), 1.87 (dd, J = 14.8, 2.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.79 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 3 H), 1.78 (t, J = 2.6 Hz, 3 H), 1.72–1.61 (m, 3 H), 1.50–1.20 (m, 9 H), 0.83 ppm (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ = 173.5, 79.3, 78.4, 78.2, 77.5, 75.4, 61.3, 58.2, 48.6, 34.6, 33.7, 29.3, 29.1, 29.0, 28.8, 28.7, 25.3, 25.1, 18.7, 9.0, 3.6, 3.5 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3017 (w), 2967 (m), 2932 (s), 2857 (m), 1731 (s), 1463 (m), 1441 (m), 1380 (m), 1244 (m), 1179 (m), 1091 (m), 1029 (w), 908 (s), 845 (s), 730 (s) cm^{-1} ;

MS (EI): m/z (%): 344 (1) $[M]^+$, 329 (1), 315 (4), 222 (3), 197 (2), 179 (2), 162 (52), 147 (16), 119 (14), 105 (100), 91 (16), 81 (26), 67 (18), 55 (25), 41 (19); HRMS (ESI): m/z : calcd. for $C_{22}H_{32}O_3Na$: 367.2244 $[M+Na]^+$; found: 367.2247.

Compound 24. DMAP (27 mg, 0.23 mmol) and 9-undecynoic acid chloride (40 mg, 0.20 mmol) were successively added to a solution of alcohol **20** (20 mg, 0.12 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL) at 0° C before the mixture was warmed to ambient temperature. After stirring for 1 h, the reaction was quenched with aq. sat. $NaHCO_3$ (4 mL), the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 2 mL), the combined organic layers were dried (Na_2SO_4) and evaporated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc, 20:1) to give ester **24** as a colorless oil (27.5 mg, 70 %). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -94$ ($c = 0.16$, CH_2Cl_2); 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 5.68-5.64$ (m, 1 H), 5.57-5.53 (m, 1 H), 4.99-4.94 (m, 1 H), 3.39-3.34 (m, 1 H), 2.56-2.44 (m, 2 H), 2.35-2.31 (m, 2 H), 2.14-2.08 (m, 2 H), 2.07-1.99 (m, 1 H), 1.77-1.70 (m, 6 H), 1.72-1.57 (m, 4 H), 1.50-1.43 (m, 2 H), 1.40-1.30 (m, 6 H), 0.93-0.89 ppm (m, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 173.8, 131.7, 129.7, 81.6, 79.3, 77.2, 76.0, 75.4, 49.7, 38.5, 35.3, 34.6, 29.1, 29.0, 28.8, 28.7, 26.1, 25.0, 18.7, 9.8, 3.6, 3.4$ ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 2931$ (s), 2856 (m), 1730 (s), 1460 (m), 1380 (m), 1246 (m), 1184 (m), 1124 (m), 1098 (m), 946 (w), 723 (m) cm^{-1} ; MS (EI): m/z (%): 328 (2) $[M]^+$, 299 (1), 285 (1), 256 (1), 206 (5), 191 (5), 164 (4), 146 (91), 131 (38), 117 (100), 105 (24), 91 (16), 81 (11), 67 (9), 55 (13), 41 (1); HRMS (ESI): m/z : calcd. for $C_{22}H_{32}O_2Na$: 351.2295 $[M+Na]^+$; found: 351.2297.

Cycloalkyne 25. A solution of complex **32** (19 mg, 0.017 mmol) in toluene (2 mL) and CH_2Cl_2 (589 μL) was stirred for 15 min before a solution of diyne **24** (15 mg, 0.046 mmol) in toluene (2 mL) was introduced. After stirring at 80° C for 20 h, the solvents were evaporated at ambient temperature and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc, 30:1) to give cycloalkyne **25** as a colorless oil (8.6 mg, 71 %). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -12$ ($c = 0.05$; CH_2Cl_2); 1H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 5.66-5.63$ (m, 1 H), 5.55-5.52 (m, 1 H), 4.87 (ddd, $J = 10.6, 7.6, 3.1$ Hz, 1 H), 3.35-3.30 (m, 1 H), 2.56-2.42 (m, 2 H), 2.39-2.29 (m, 2 H), 2.24-2.20 (m, 2 H), 2.05-1.97 (m, 1 H), 1.89-1.81 (m, 1 H), 1.72 (ddd, $J = 14.1, 6.8, 2.9$ Hz, 2 H), 1.52-1.41 (m, 9 H), 0.89 ppm (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 174.2, 132.2, 129.2, 83.5, 80.4, 78.9, 50.1, 40.9, 35.8, 32.6, 26.4, 25.7, 25.6, 24.8, 23.8, 22.4, 17.8, 9.0$ ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 2932$ (s), 1730 (s), 1460 (w), 1246 (m), 1183 (m), 1098 (w), 723 (w) cm^{-1} ; MS (EI): m/z (%): 274 (1) $[M]^+$, 259 (1), 245 (4), 231 (2), 209 (2), 187 (6), 173 (5), 159 (8), 146 (53), 131 (40), 117 (100), 105 (23), 91 (46), 79 (16), 67 (12), 55 (17), 41 (19); HRMS (ESI): m/z : calcd. for $C_{18}H_{26}O_2Na$: 297.1825 $[M+Na]^+$; found: 297.1827.

Compound 30. MS 5Å (powder, ca. 10 mg) was added to a solution of compound **29** (5.0 mg, 14.5 μmol) in toluene (1 mL) and the resulting mixture stirred for 20 min. In a second flask, complex **34** (17.6 mg, 16.2 μmol) was dissolved in toluene (1 mL) and 45 μL (0.72 μmol , 5 mol%) of this stock solution were added to the suspension containing diyne **29**. The reaction mixture was stirred for 3 h at ambient temperature before it was filtered through a short plug of silica and evaporated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc 15:1) to give product **30** as a colorless oil (3.4 mg, 80%). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -52$ ($c = 0.05$, CH_2Cl_2); 1H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 4.66$ (ddd, $J = 10.9, 7.8, 3.0$ Hz, 1 H), 3.51 (dd, $J = 4.7$ Hz, 1 H), 3.48 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 1 H), 2.89 (tt, $J = 4.6, 2.1$ Hz, 1 H), 2.57 (tt, $J = 10.8, 4.8$ Hz, 1 H), 2.29 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2 H), 2.16 (m, 2 H), 2.09 (ddd, $J = 14.9, 10.9, 2.2$ Hz, 1 H), 1.75 (m, 1 H), 1.71 (dd, $J = 14.8, 5.1$ Hz, 1 H), 1.66 (ddq, $J = 14.5, 7.4, 3.1$ Hz, 1 H), 1.69-1.51 (m, 9 H), 1.41 (dq, $J = 14.5, 7.4$ Hz, 1 H), 0.82 ppm (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 173.8$ (s), 83.3 (s), 80.5 (s), 79.6 (d), 62.6 (d), 60.0 (d), 52.1 (d), 36.5 (d), 33.9 (t), 29.9 (t), 26.7 (t), 26.1 (t), 25.6 (t),

25.50 (t), 25.49 (t), 23.9 (t), 18.2 (t), 8.9 (q) ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3017 (w), 2962 (m), 2926 (m), 2855 (m), 1726 (s), 1456 (m), 1378 (m), 1266 (m), 1226 (m), 1089 (m), 1031 (w), 842 (m) cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI): m/z : calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_3\text{Na}$: 313.1774 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; found: 313.1751.

Compound 26. Dimethyldioxirane (DMDO, 0.8 M in acetone, 684 μL) was added at -78°C to a solution of compound **25** (10 mg, 0.037 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (1 mL). After 1 h as well as after 2 h, further aliquots of DMDO (456 μL , 0.037 mmol each) were introduced and stirring continued at -78°C or 14 h and then for another 14 h at ambient temperature. For work up, the reaction was quenched with aq. sat. $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ (1 mL), the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 2 mL), the combined organic layers were dried (Na_2SO_4) and evaporated, and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc, 30:1 \rightarrow 4:1) to give product **26** (6 mg, 56%) and a second fraction of compound **30** (2 mg, 19%) as colorless oils each. Analytical and spectral data of compound **26**: $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -73$ ($c = 0.11$, CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 4.71$ (ddd, $J = 10.8, 7.7, 3.1$ Hz, 1 H), 3.51 (dd, $J = 2.5, 1.7$ Hz, 1 H), 3.46 (m, 1 H), 2.64 (dq, $J = 8.4, 1.7$ Hz, 1 H), 2.36 (ddd, $J = 15.5, 9.1, 6.3$ Hz, 1 H), 2.30 (ddd, $J = 15.5, 9.1, 6.4$ Hz, 1 H), 2.28 (m, 2 H), 2.20 (dd, $J = 14.0, 7.9$ Hz, 1 H), 2.03 (ddt, $J = 10.6, 9.5, 8.2$ Hz, 1 H), 1.83 (m, 1 H), 1.72 (m, 1 H), 1.62 (ddq, $J = 14.5, 7.4, 3.2$ Hz, 1 H), 1.48-1.44 (m, 8 H), 1.41 (dq, $J = 14.6, 7.4$ Hz, 1 H), 1.36 (ddd, $J = 14.1, 9.4, 1.4$ Hz, 1 H), 0.83 ppm (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 174.4$ (s), 81.4 (s), 79.4 (s), 78.1 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 146$ Hz), 60.5 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 190$ Hz), 56.5 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 186$ Hz), 43.3 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 136$ Hz), 36.6 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 130$ Hz), 31.71 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 128$ Hz), 31.68 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 130$ Hz), 26.0 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 127$ Hz), 25.4 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 128$ Hz), 25.2 (t), 24.3 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 124$ Hz), 23.1 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 125$ Hz), 21.7 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 128$ Hz), 17.6 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 130$ Hz), 8.8 (q, $J_{\text{CH}} = 126$ Hz) ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 2930$ (m), 2857 (m), 1727 (s), 1459 (w), 1378 (w), 1260 (m), 1181 (m), 1084 (m), 1018 (m), 854 (m), 799 (s), 731 (w), 648 (w) cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI): m/z : calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_3\text{Na}$: 313.1774 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; found: 313.1752.

12,13-epi-Ecklonialactone B (27). Prepared as a pale yellow oil (8 mg, 80 %) starting from compound **26** (10 mg, 0.034 mmol), following the procedure described below for ecklonialactone B. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -127$ ($c = 0.11$, CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 5.54$ (tdd, $J = 10.8, 4.5, 0.6$ Hz, 1 H), 5.48 (ddd, $J = 11.0, 9.0, 1.1$ Hz, 1 H), 4.70 (ddd, $J = 7.3, 6.4, 3.2$ Hz, 1 H), 3.41 (d, $J = 2.6$ Hz, 1 H), 3.31 (dd, $J = 4.1, 1$ H), 3.10 (t, $J = 9.3$ Hz, 1 H), 2.46 (ddd, $J = 15.0, 8.9, 4.2$ Hz, 1 H), 2.40 (ddt, $J = 14.0, 10.6, 7.9$ Hz, 1 H), 2.27 (ddd, $J = 15.0, 8.0, 4.0$ Hz, 1 H), 2.11 (dd, $J = 13.8, 7.4$ Hz, 1 H), 1.92 (4d, $J = 10.3, 9.3, 7.5, 3.2$ Hz, 1 H), 1.89 (m, 1 H), 1.47 (ddd, $J = 13.8, 10.3, 1.3$ Hz, 1 H), 1.66-1.21 (m, 12 H), 0.81 ppm (t, $J = 7.5, 3$ H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 173.6$ (s), 131.7 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 154$ Hz), 129.9 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 156$ Hz), 76.7 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 146$ Hz), 61.3 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 186$ Hz), 55.1 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 185$ Hz), 39.2 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 126$ Hz), 38.7 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 130$ Hz), 33.20 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 129$ Hz), 32.19 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 130$ Hz), 27.1 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 122$ Hz), 26.34 (t), 26.29 (t), 25.8 (t), 25.7 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 128$ Hz), 25.1 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 120$ Hz), 24.0 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 128$ Hz), 9.9 (q, $J_{\text{CH}} = 126$ Hz) ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 3012$ (w), 2927 (m), 2857 (m), 1728 (s), 1457 (w), 1336 (w), 1258 (s), 1181 (m), 1105 (s), 1022 (s), 955 (w), 851 (s), 797 (s), 745 (m), 700 (w) cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI): m/z : calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_3\text{Na}$: 315.1931 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; found: 315.1929.

Ecklonialactone B (2). A mixture containing compound **30** (2.0 mg, 6.9 μmol) and commercial Lindlar catalyst (2.8 mg) in CH_2Cl_2 (4 mL) was stirred under an atmosphere of hydrogen (1 atm) for 2.5 h. The catalyst was filtered off and the filtrate evaporated to give product **2** as a colorless oil (1.8 mg, 90 %). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -19$ ($c = 0.07$, CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 5.47$ (4d, $J = 10.6, 8.4, 7.0, 1.2$ Hz, 1 H), 5.10 (ddt, $J = 10.7, 9.6, 1.2$ Hz, 1 H), 4.95 (3d, $J = 10.3, 7.6, 3.0$ Hz, 1 H), 3.49 (d, $J = 2.6$ Hz, 1 H), 3.23 (d, $J = 2.6$ Hz, 1 H), 3.00 (d, $J = 9.7$ Hz, 1 H), 2.40 (3d, $J = 15.2, 6.9, 3.8$ Hz, 1 H), 2.35 (3d, $J = 15.2, 10.3, 3.2$ Hz, 1 H), 2.05 (m, 2 H), 1.92 (m, 1 H), 1.90 (m, 1 H), 1.87 (m, 1 H), 1.85 (m, 1 H), 1.70 (ddq, J

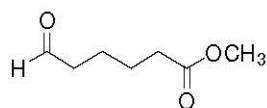
= 14.6, 3.1, 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.55 (m, 1 H), 1.42 (m, 2 H), 1.38 (m, 2 H), 1.37 (m, 1 H), 1.35 (m, 3 H), 1.29 (m, 1 H), 0.78 ppm (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 174.1$ (s), 131.9 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 153$ Hz), 128.3 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 153$), 78.7 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 152$ Hz), 61.1 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 186$ Hz), 57.2 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 184$ Hz), 46.4 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 134$ Hz), 40.0 (d, $J_{\text{CH}} = 133$ Hz), 33.5 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 128$ Hz), 28.8 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 130$ Hz), 26.79 (t), 26.75 (t), 26.3 (t), 25.4 (t), 25.3 (t), 25.2 (t), 24.2 (t, $J_{\text{CH}} = 128$ Hz), 8.8 (q, $J_{\text{CH}} = 126$ Hz) ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 2961$ (m), 2931 (m), 2855 (w), 1732 (m), 1456 (w), 1260 (s), 1216 (w), 1175 (w), 1087 (s), 1018 (s), 862 (m), 799 (s) cm^{-1} ; HRMS (ESI): m/z : calcd. for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_3\text{Na}$: 315.1931 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; found: 315.1929.

Table S-1. Comparison of the recorded ^{13}C NMR data of ecklonialactone B (**2**) with those reported in the literature.³

Position	δ_{c} (lit.)	multiplicity	δ_{c} (exp.)	multiplicity, $^1J_{\text{CH}}$	$\Delta\delta$
1	173.8	s	174.1	s	-0.3
2	33.5	t	33.5	t, 128 Hz	0
3	24.1	t	24.2	t, 128 Hz	-0.1
4	26.8	t	26.8	t	0
5	25.3	t	25.2	t	0.1
6	26.2	t	26.3	t	-0.1
7	26.8	t	26.8	t	0
8	25.3	t	25.3	t	0
9	131.8	d	131.9	d, 153 Hz	-0.1
10	128.2	d	128.3	d, 153 Hz	-0.1
11	40.0	d	40.0	d, 133 Hz	0
12	61.0	d	61.1	d, 186 Hz	-0.1
13	57.0	d	57.2	d, 184 Hz	-0.2
14	28.8	t	28.8	t, 130 Hz	0
15	46.3	d	46.4	d, 134 Hz	-0.1
16	78.6	d	78.7	d, 152 Hz	-0.1
17	25.3	t	25.4	t	-0.1
18	8.7	q	8.8	q, 126 Hz	-0.1

³ (a) Kurata, K.; Taniguchi, K.; Shiraishi, K.; Hayama, N.; Tanaka, I.; Suzuki, M. *Chem. Lett.* **1989**, 267; (b) Kurata, K.; Taniguchi, K.; Shiraishi, K.; Suzuki, M. *Phytochemistry* **1993**, 33, 155; (c) Todd, J. S.; Proteau, P. J.; Gerwick, W. H. *J. Nat. Prod.* **1994**, 57, 171.

Methyl 6-Oxohexanoate.⁴ Ozone (ca. 40-50 g/cm³) was bubbled through a mixture of cyclohexene



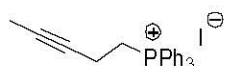
(6.1 g, 74 mmol) and NaHCO₃ (2.0 g, 23.8 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (250 mL) and MeOH (50 mL) at -78° C until a pale blue color persisted. The mixture was then purged with Ar before it is allowed to reach ambient temperature. The mixture was filtered and the filtrate reduced to a

volume of ca 50 mL. After dilution with CH₂Cl₂ (250 mL), NEt₃ (16 mL,

115 mmol) and Ac₂O (21.5 mL, 227 mmol) were introduced at 0° C and the resulting solution stirred overnight at ambient temperature. For work up, the mixture was successively washed with HCl (0.1 M, 150 mL), NaOH (10% w/w, 150 mL) and H₂O (150 mL), the organic layer (peroxide test must be negative at this point) was dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated. Distillation of the residue afforded the title compound as a colorless oil (5.7 g, 53 %). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 9.74 (t, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.64 (s, 3 H), 2.46-2.41 (m, 2 H), 2.34-2.29 (m, 2 H), 1.68-1.59 ppm (m, 4 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 202.0, 173.6, 51.5, 43.4, 33.6, 24.3, 21.4 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2951 (m), 2871 (w), 2723 (w), 1719 (s), 1436 (m), 1365 (m), 1196 (s), 1155 (s), 1093 (m), 1009 (m), 988 (m), 881 (w), 849 (w) 754 (w) cm⁻¹; MS (EI): *m/z* (%): 144 (1) [M-H]⁺, 126 (1), 116 (28), 113 (54), 101 (48), 95 (8), 87 (95), 84 (21), 74 (59), 70 (14), 67 (45), 59 (100), 55 (68), 43 (59), 39 (20), 29 (54), 27 (28); HRMS (CI, *iso*-butane): *m/z*: calcd. for C₇H₁₃O₃: 145.0865 [M]⁺; found: 145.0863.

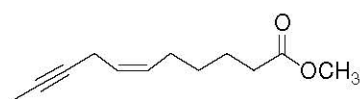
5-Iodopent-2-yne. PPh₃ (7.0 g, 26.8 mmol), imidazole (1.8 g, 26.8 mmol) and iodine (6.8 g, 26.8 mmol) were successively added to a solution of 3-pentyn-1-ol (1.5 g, 17.8 mmol) in MeCN (22 mL) and Et₂O (68 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred for 2 h before the reaction was quenched with aq. sat. NaHCO₃ (50 mL). The organic phase was washed with aq. sat. Na₂S₂O₃ (40 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the residue passed through a short plug of silica (pentanes) to give, after careful evaporation, the title compound as a volatile liquid which was immediately used in the next step (3.45 g, quant.). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 3.19 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2 H), 2.71 (tq, *J* = 7.5, 2.5 Hz, 2 H), 1.77 ppm (t, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 77.9, 77.8, 24.1, 3.5, 2.6 ppm.

But-2-ynyl-5-triphenylphosphonium iodide. PPh₃ (4.67 g, 17.8 mmol) was added to a solution of 5-iodo-2-pentyne (3.45 g, 17.8 mmol) in toluene (15 mL) and the resulting mixture stirred at 80° C overnight. After reaching ambient temperature, the precipitate was filtered off, washed with toluene and dried in vacuo to give



the title salt as a colorless solid (4.05 g, 50 %). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, [D₆]-DMSO): δ = 7.92-7.75 (m, 15 H), 3.84 (dt, *J* = 13.1, 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 3.33 (s, 3 H), 1.52 ppm (t, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, [D₆]-DMSO): δ = 135.0 (d, *J* = 3 Hz), 133.7 (d, *J* = 10 Hz), 130.2 (d, *J* = 12 Hz), 118.1 (d, *J* = 87 Hz), 79.6, 76.3 (d, *J* = 14 Hz), 20.1 (d, *J* = 51 Hz), 12.3 (d, *J* = 4 Hz), 2.9 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3017 (w), 2903 (w), 1585 (w), 1434 (m), 1384 (w), 1341 (w), 1136 (w), 1110 (s), 995 (m), 843 (s), 733 (s), 719 (s), 685 (s) cm⁻¹; MS (ESI⁻): *m/z*: 329.2 [456-I]; HRMS (ESI): *m/z*: calcd. for C₂₃H₂₂P: 329.1454 [M-I]⁺; found: 329.1452.

Undec-6Z-en-9-ynoic acid methyl ester. A solution of NaHMDS (210 mg, 1.15 mmol) in THF (2 mL) was added at -30° C to a solution of but-2-ynyl-5-triphenylphosphonium iodide in THF (13 mL) and toluene (3 mL). The resulting mixture was allowed to reach ambient temperature and stirred until a clear yellow solution had formed



⁴ R. E. Claus, S. L. Schreiber, *Org. Synth.* **1990**, *Coll. Vol.* **7**, 168.

(ca. 1 h). At this point, the solution was cooled to -90°C before a solution of methyl 6-oxohexanoate (183 mg, 1.20 mmol) in THF (1 mL) was introduced. The resulting mixture was stirred overnight while reaching ambient temperature. Quenching of the reaction with aq. NH_4Cl (4 mL) followed by a standard extractive work up (Et_2O) and flash chromatography of the crude material (pentanes/ Et_2O , 1:1) furnished the title compound as a colorless oil (228 mg, 98%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 5.45\text{--}5.36$ (m, 2 H), 3.63 (s, 3 H), 2.87–2.84 (m, 2 H), 2.31 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 2 H), 2.07–2.02 (m, 2 H), 1.76 (t, $J = 2.6$ Hz, 3 H), 1.67–1.59 (m, 2 H), 1.42–1.35 ppm (m, 2 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 174.0, 130.6, 125.3, 75.3, 51.4, 33.9, 28.8, 26.7, 24.5, 17.1, 3.5$ ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 3019$ (w), 2922 (w), 2869 (w), 1734 (s), 1435 (m), 1361 (w), 1198 (m), 1171 (m), 1149 (m), 1095 (w), 1019 (w), 826 (w), 798 (w), 693 (w) cm^{-1} ; MS (EI): m/z (%): 194 (1) $[\text{M}]^+$, 179 (2), 163 (40), 147 (13), 134 (12), 120 (100), 105 (56), 91 (90), 74 (41), 66 (37), 59 (32), 41 (47), 27 (25); HRMS (EI): m/z : calcd. for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_2$: 194.1307 $[\text{M}]^+$; found: 194.1307.

Undec-6Z-en-9-ynoic acid. KOH (100 mg, 1.78 mmol) was added to a solution of undec-6Z-en-9-ynoic acid methyl ester (228 mg, 1.18 mmol) in EtOH (2 mL) and the resulting mixture was stirred at reflux temperature for 1.5 h. After reaching ambient temperature, the solvent was evaporated, and the residue suspended in H_2O (5 mL). HCl (1 M) was added until a $\text{pH} \approx 2$ was reached. The aqueous phase was extracted with pentanes (3 x 5 mL), the organic solvent was evaporated and the residue dried in vacuo to give the title compound as a colorless syrup (155 mg, 73%). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 1.45\text{--}1.38$ (m, 2 H), 1.69–1.61 (m, 2 H), 1.77 (t, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 3 H), 2.09–2.04 (m, 2 H), 2.36 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2 H), 2.88–2.85 (m, 2 H), 5.47–5.38 ppm (m, 2 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 180.0, 130.5, 125.4, 75.4, 33.9, 28.7, 26.6, 24.2, 17.1, 3.5$ ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 3019$ (m), 2921 (br m), 2861 (m), 1706 (s), 1413 (m), 1289 (m), 1233 (m), 909 (m), 799 (w), 732 (m) cm^{-1} ; MS (EI): m/z (%): 180 (4) $[\text{M}]^+$, 163 (2), 151 (16), 140 (17), 133 (3), 120 (38), 107 (41), 93 (100), 79 (83), 66 (47), 53 (27), 41 (43), 27 (27); HRMS (EI): m/z : calcd. for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_2$: 180.1150 $[\text{M}]^+$; found: 180.1149.

Compound 36. Carbodiimide *p*-toluenesulfonate **31** (30 mg, 70 μmol) was added to a solution of undec-6Z-en-9-ynoic acid (11 mg, 58 μmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (0.5 mL) and the resulting mixture stirred for 1.5 h before a solution of alcohol **28** (7.0 mg, 39 μmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (0.5 mL) followed by DMAP (0.2 mg) were introduced. After stirring overnight, all volatile materials were evaporated and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexanes/ EtOAc , 15:1) to give product **36** as a colorless oil (8.6 mg, 65%). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -86$ (CH_2Cl_2 , $c = 0.43$); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 5.47\text{--}5.39$ (m, 2 H), 4.76 (ddd, $J = 9.2, 7.4, 3.5$ Hz, 1 H), 3.50–3.47 (m, 2 H), 2.88 (dq, $J = 4.9, 2.5$ Hz, 2 H), 2.83 (dq, $J = 2.4, 2.1$ Hz, 1 H), 2.40–2.31 (m, 3 H), 2.40–2.11 (m, 3 H), 1.85 (dd, $J = 14.9, 2.5$ Hz, 1 H), 1.80 (d, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 3 H), 1.78 (t, $J = 2.5$ Hz, 3 H), 1.73–1.62 (m, 3 H), 1.49–1.38 (m, 3 H), 0.83 ppm (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 3 H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): $\delta = 173.3, 130.7, 125.3, 78.4, 78.2, 77.6, 77.4, 75.3, 61.3, 58.2, 48.5, 34.5, 33.7, 29.3, 28.9, 26.8, 25.3, 24.7, 17.1, 8.9, 3.6, 3.5$ ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 3020$ (w), 2967 (m), 2921 (m), 2859 (w), 1729 (s), 1456 (m), 1441 (m), 1380 (m), 1256 (m), 1173 (s), 1144 (s), 1090 (s), 1030 (m), 953 (m), 928 (m); MS (EI): m/z (%): 342 (1) $[\text{M}]^+$, 313 (1), 289 (1), 274 (<1), 255 (<1), 235 (3), 197 (<1), 179 (1), 163 (15), 105 (100), 91 (21), 79 (18), 55 (9), 41 (12); HRMS (ESI): m/z : calcd. for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{30}\text{O}_3\text{Na}$: 365.2078 $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$; found: 365.2090.

Compound 37. Diyne **36** (3.9 mg, 11.4 μmol) was dissolved in toluene (1 mL) and MS 5\AA (powder, 10 mg) were added. After stirring for 20 min, 86 μL of a stock solution of complex **34** [7.2 mg (6.6 μmol) in toluene (1 mL)] were added and the mixture stirred at ambient temperature for 7 h. For work up, the suspension was filtered through a cotton plug, the filtrate was evaporated and the residue

purified by flash chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc, 15:1) to give compound **37** as a colorless liquid (3.5 mg, 90 %). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -84$ (CH₂Cl₂, c = 0.05); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 5.56 (dt, *J* = 10.6, 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 5.51 (ddd, *J* = 10.6, 8.3, 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.75 (ddd, *J* = 10.7, 8.4, 2.9, 1 H), 3.50 (t, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.46 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.92 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 6.8, 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.83 (dt, *J* = 5.4, 2.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.75 (ddd, *J* = 17.1, 7.1, 2.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.54 (tt, *J* = 10.6, 5.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.41 (dt, *J* = 15.2, 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.27 (dt, *J* = 15.2, 7.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.21 (ddt, *J* = 12.9, 8.3, 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.07 (ddd, *J* = 14.8, 10.6, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.99 (dq, *J* = 13.0, 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 1.71 (m, 1 H), 1.66 (dd, *J* = 14.8, 6.0, 1 H), 1.61 (ddq, *J* = 14.4, 7.4, 2.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.48 (qi., *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.37 (ddq, *J* = 14.4, 8.4, 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 0.82 ppm (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 173.2 (s), 133.0 (d, *J*_{CH} = 154 Hz), 123.8 (d, *J*_{CH} = 161 Hz), 81.4 (s), 79.6 (s), 78.9 (d, *J*_{CH} = 148 Hz), 62.8 (d, *J*_{CH} = 189 Hz), 59.8 (d, *J*_{CH} = 185 Hz), 53.11 (d, *J*_{CH} = 134 Hz), 36.7 (d, *J*_{CH} = 136 Hz), 34.3 (t, *J*_{CH} = 128 Hz), 30.2 (t, *J*_{CH} = 130 Hz), 27.5 (t, *J*_{CH} = 127 Hz), 27.4 (t, *J*_{CH} = 126 Hz), 25.7 (t), 24.9 (t, *J*_{CH} = 128 Hz), 16.4 (t, *J*_{CH} = 131 Hz), 9.0 (q, *J*_{CH} = 126 Hz) ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3021 (w), 2962 (m), 2930 (m), 2855 (w), 1726 (s), 1459 (m), 1441 (w), 1380 (w), 1350 (w), 1330 (w), 1266 (m), 1251 (m), 1228 (m), 1211 (m), 1185 (m), 1165 (m), 1153 (m), 1091 (m), 1059 (w), 1032 (w), 1011 (w), 942 (w), 842 (s), 799 (w) cm⁻¹; MS (EI): *m/z* (%): 288 (2) [M]⁺, 270 (2), 259 (10), 241 (10), 213 (11), 201 (20), 187 (32), 157 (31), 143 (100), 129 (73), 115 (40), 103 (18), 91 (76), 79 (35), 65 (22), 55 (30), 41 (36); HRMS (ESI): *m/z*: calcd. for C₁₈H₂₄O₃Na: 311.1617 [M+Na]⁺; found: 311.1618.

Ecklonialactone A (1). NaBH₄ (9.6 mg, 0.25 mmol) and ethylenediamine (17 μL, 0.25 mmol) were successively added to a solution of Ni(OAc)₂ (84 mg, 0.34 mmol) in EtOH (10 mL). H₂ was bubbled through the resulting black suspension for 15 min. An aliquot (200 μL, ca. 7 μmol) of this suspension was then added to a solution of cycloalkyne **37** (8.0 mg, 17 μmol) in EtOH (2 mL) and the resulting mixture was stirred under H₂ (1 atm) for 2 h. The catalyst was filtered off, the filtrate was evaporated and the residue purified by preparative HPLC (150 mm YMC-ODS-A 5 μm, MeCN/water 80:20, flow rate 15 mL/min, *t_r* = 6.68 min) to give ecklonialactone A (**1**) as a colorless solid (5.5 mg, 69 %). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -59$ (CH₂Cl₂, c = 0.025); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 5.49 (tdd, *J* = 10.5, 5.1, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.48 (dtt, *J* = 10.6, 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.41 (m, 1 H), 5.07 (4d, *J* = 10.6, 9.9, 2.3, 0.9 Hz, 1 H), 4.89 (4d, *J* = 8.9, 7.3, 3.1, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 3.50 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.21 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.08 (ddd, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 3.06 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 2.63 (ddd, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.41 (ddd, *J* = 15.1, 7.3, 5.2 Hz, 1 H), 2.35 (ddd, *J* = 15.0, 8.9, 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.04-1.87 (m, 5 H), 1.74-1.69 (m, 3 H), 1.43 (m, 2 H), 1.39 (dq, *J* = 14.6, 7.3 Hz, 1 H), 0.79 ppm (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, C₆D₆): δ = 5.42 (m, 1 H), 5.39 (m, 1 H), 5.37 (tdd, *J* = 10.5, 5.0, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.27 (ddd, *J* = 10.9, 7.4, 3.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.87 (4d, *J* = 10.6, 10.0, 3.2, 1.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.19 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1 H), 3.05 (app. d, 1 H), 3.04 (ddt, *J* = 2.6, 0.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.96 (m, 1 H), 2.48 (m, 1 H), 2.21 (ddd, *J* = 14.9, 6.9, 5.5 Hz, 1 H), 2.17 (ddd, *J* = 14.9, 8.8, 5.1 Hz, 1 H), 1.90 (m, 1 H), 1.84 (m, 1 H), 1.80 (t, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.68 (m, 1 H), 1.62 (ddq, *J* = 14.5, 3.2, 7.4, 1 H), 1.50 (ddt, *J* = 14.9, 1.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.41 (m, 1 H), 1.37 (ddd, *J* = 15.0, 9.4, 1.3 Hz, 1 H), 1.30 (m, 2 H), 1.24 (dqi., *J* = 14.5, 7.4 Hz, 1 H), 0.77 ppm (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 173.7 (s), 129.8 (d), 129.5 (d), 128.0 (d), 127.4 (d), 78.5 (d), 61.0 (d), 57.2 (d), 45.9 (d), 40.0 (d), 33.6 (t), 28.8 (t), 28.1 (t), 26.3 (t), 26.0 (t), 25.2 (t), 24.3 (t), 8.7 (q) ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3007 (m), 2962 (m), 2931 (m), 2855 (m), 1726 (s), 1456 (w), 1441 (w), 1398 (w), 1380 (w), 1342 (w), 1254 (m), 1218 (m), 1145 (m), 1105 (w), 1087 (w), 1051 (w), 1019 (w), 971 (w), 953 (w), 930 (w), 912 (w), 842 (m), 804 (w), 749 (w), 741 (w), 718 (w), 695 (w) cm⁻¹; MS (ESI⁺): 313 [M+Na]⁺, 329 [M+K]⁺, 603 [2M+Na]⁺; HRMS (ESI): *m/z*: calcd. for C₁₈H₂₆O₃Na: 313.1774 [M+Na]⁺; found: 313.1771.

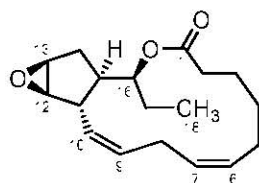


Table S-2. Comparison of the recorded ^{13}C NMR data (CDCl_3) of ecklonialactone A (1) with those reported in the literature.³ Assignments marked * may be interchanged.

Position	δ_{c} (lit., 67.9 Hz), ppm	δ_{c} (exp., 150 MHz), ppm	$\Delta\delta$
1	173.6	173.7	0.1
2	33.6	33.6	0
3	24.3	24.3	0
4	28.1	28.1	0
5	26.0	26.0	0
6*	129.5	129.5	0
7	128.0	128.0	0
8	26.3	26.3	0
9*	129.8	129.8	0
10	127.5	127.4	-0.1
11	40.1	40.0	-0.1
12	61.0	61.0	0
13	57.2	57.2	0
14	28.8	28.8	0
15	46.0	45.9	-0.1
16	78.6	78.5	-0.1
17	25.3	25.2	-0.1
18	8.7	8.7	0

