

Supporting Information

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Total Synthesis of Nominal Gobienine A

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Table S1. Comparison of the ¹H NMR signals of the butanolide ring of the gobienine A aglycone with those of the all-cis configured paraconic acid derivatives prepared during our synthetic study and literature data.

Compound	Solvent	H2	Н3	H4	Ref
Gobienine A aglycone	[a]	2.88 dq (7.5, 7.0)	3.24 dd (8.0, 7.0)	4.57 ddd (8.0, 8.0, 5.0)	1
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но,,,, но	[a]	3.04 quint (7.0)	3.49 dd (6.9, 5.1)	4.47 td (7.0, 5.2)	
	$CDCl_3$	2.96 quint (≈7) ^b	3.37 dd (≈7, ≈5) ^b	4.45 td (≈9, ≈5) ^b	
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HO, , , OH HO, , , OH HO HO J HO J HO HO HO HO HO HO HO HO HO HO HO HO HO	CDCl ₃	2.84 quint. (7.2)	3.20 dd (7.5, 5.1)	4.30 ddd (9.4, 5.2, 4.2)	
Me,	CDCl₃	2.87 dq (7.4, 7.1)	3.29 dd (7.6, 5.2)	4.38 dt (8.6, 5.1)	
	CDCl₃ H	2.86 dq (7.2, 7.1)	3.23 dd (7.5, 5.2)	4.37 dt (8.5, 5.1)	
	CDCl₃	2.85 dq (7.2, 7.1)	3.23 dd (7.5, 5.2)	4.37 dt (8.4, 5.2)	
	CDCl ₃	2.92 dq (7.2, 7.1)	3.30 dd (7.3, 5.2)	4.40 dt (8.7, 5.0)	
	CDCl₃	2.95 dq (7.2, 7.2)	3.33 dd (7.2, 5.2)	4.44 m	2

[a] $[D_4]$ -MeOH/ $[D_5]$ -pyridine (1:1, v/v); ^b because of the very poor solubility of synthetic **1** in CDCl₃, the resolution of the spectra does not allow the coupling constants to be determined with an accuracy of more than ± 0.3 Hz.

 ¹ T. Řezanka, I. A. Guschina, *Phytochemistry* **2001**, *58*, 1281-1287
² M. Amador, X. Ariza, J. Garcia, J. Ortiz, *J. Org. Chem.* **2004**, *69*, 8172-8175

Table S2. Comparison of the ¹H NMR signals of the butanolide ring of the gobienine A aglycone with those of other diasteromeric paraconic acid derivatives prepared during our synthetic study as well as with literature data.

Compound	Solvent	H2	Н3	H4	Ref
Gobienine A aglycone	а	2.88 dq (7.5, 7.0)	3.24 dd (8.0, 7.0)	4.57 ddd (8.0, 8.0, 5.0)	1
	[a]	3.16 dq (11.4, 7.1)	2.87 dd (11.4, 9.4)	4.94 td (9.1, 3.4)	
	CDCl ₃	2.92 dq (11.4, 7.1)	2.59 dd (11.4, 9.5)	4.42 ddd (9.4, 8.1, 4.3)	
Ме, О-О-С-11H ₂₃	$CDCl_3$	2.96 dq (11.6, 7.0)	2.68 dd (11.3, 9.4)	4.47 dt (9.1, 4.0)	3
Me OMe	CDCl ₃	2.95 dq (9.3, 7.5)	3.09 dd (9.3, 6.4)	4.68 dt (6.8, 6.3)	
	CDCl₃	2.95 dq (9.3, 7.4)	3.04 dd (9.2, 6.4)	4.67 q (6.4)	
Me, OH OH C ₁₃ H ₂₇	$CDCl_3$	3.02 dq (8.5, 7.4)	3.14 dd (8.5, 6.2)	4.67 ddd (6.3, 6.3, 6.2)	4
	CDCl ₃	3.03 (10.0, 7.0)	3.15 (10.0, 8.2)	4.58-4.66 (m)	b
	$CDCl_3$	3.04 dq (10.0, 7.1)	3.22 dd (10.0, 8.2)	4.69 m	2

[a] $[D_4]$ -MeOH/ $[D_5]$ -pyridine (1:1, ν/ν); ^b this isomer was a by-product in the attempted synthesis of alkene **22b** by the Wittig olefination mentioned in the text.

 ³ M. P. Sibi, P. Liu, J. Ji, S. Hajra and J. Chen, *J. Org. Chem.* 2002, *67*, 1738-1745.
⁴ T. Martín, C. M. Rodríguez, V. S. Martín, *J. Org. Chem.* 1996, *61*, 6450-6453

General. Unless stated otherwise, all reactions were carried out in flame-dried glassware under Argon. All solvents were purified by distillation over the indicated drying agents and were stored and transferred under Argon: THF (Mg-anthracene), Et₂O (Mg-anthracene), CH₂Cl₂, CHCl₃ (CaH₂), MeOH (Mg), hexanes, pentanes (Na/K), toluene (Na/K). Flash chromatography: Merck silica gel 60 (230-400 mesh). IR: Nicolet FT-7199 spectrometer, wavenumbers in cm⁻¹. MS (EI): Finnigan MAT 8200, MS (CI): Finnigan MAT 95, MS (ESI) ESQ 3000, accurate mass determinations: Bruker APEX III FT-MS (7 T magnet). NMR: Spectra were recorded on a Bruker DPX 300, AV 400, AV 500 or AV 600 spectrometer in the solvents indicated; ¹H and ¹³C chemical shifts (δ) are given in ppm relative to TMS, coupling constants (*J*) in Hz. The solvent signals were used as references (CDCl₃: $\delta_{\rm H}$ = 7.24 ppm, $\delta_{\rm C}$ = 77.00 ppm; C₆D₆: $\delta_{\rm H}$ = 7.15 ppm, $\delta_{\rm C}$ = 128.0 ppm, [D₄]-MeOH: $\delta_{\rm H}$ = 3.30 ppm, $\delta_{\rm C}$ = 49.0 ppm) and the chemical shifts converted to the TMS scale. All commercially available compounds (ABCR, Acros, Aldrich, Fluka, Lancaster, Strem) were used as received.

10-(Benzyloxy)decan-1-ol. 1,10-Decanediol (4.4 g, 25 mmol) was slowly added to a suspension of NaH (0.60 g, 25 mmol) in THF/DMF (1:1, 50 mL) at 0 °C and the resulting mixture stirred at that temperature for 4 h until the evolution of gas had ceased. Benzyl bromide (4.6 g, 27 mmol) was then introduced and the resulting mixture stirred overnight at ambient temperature. The reaction was carefully quenched with H₂O and the product extracted with hexane/EtOAc (5:1), the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 5:1) to afford the title compound as a colorless oil (3.2 g, 49%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 7.36-7.24 (m, 5H), 4.48 (s, 2H), 3.61 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.44 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 1.64-1.46 (m, 5H), 1.40-1.20 ppm (m, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 138.7, 128.3, 127.6, 127.4, 72.8, 70.5, 63.1, 32.8, 29.7, 29.50, 29.48, 29.4, 29.3, 26.2, 25.7 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3372, 3030, 2926, 2853, 1454, 1362, 1204, 1100, 1075, 1028, 734, 697 cm⁻¹; MS (EII: *m/z* (%): 264 (18) [M]⁺, 246 (2), 107 (95), 91 (100), 81 (11), 69 (9), 55 (14), 41 (11); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₁₇H₂₈O₂+Na⁺: 287.1981 [M+Na]⁺; found: 287.1984.

Aldehyde 14. A mixture of PCC (3.4 g, 15.7 mmol) and silica (3.4 g) was added to a solution of 10-(benzyloxy)decan-1-ol (3.2 g, 12.2 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (30 mL), and the resulting mixture was stirred for 3 h. Filtration of the suspension through a pad of Celite, evaporation of the filtrate, followed by flash chromatographic purification of the residue (hexane/EtOAc, 5:1) provided aldehyde 14 as a colorless oil (2.4 g, 75%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 9.74$ (t, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.36-7.24 (m, 5H), 4.48 (s, 2H), 3.44 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.39 (td, J = 7.3, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 1.70-1.50 (m, 4H), 1.40-1.20 ppm (m, 10H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 202.9$, 138.7, 128.3, 127.6, 127.4, 72.8, 70.5, 43.9, 29.7, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 29.1, 26.1, 22.1 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 2927$, 2854, 1724, 1454, 1362, 1205, 1101, 736, 697 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 262 (1) [M]⁺, 107 (100), 91 (88), 79 (7); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₁₇H₂₆O₂+Na⁺: 285.1825 [M+Na]⁺; found: 285.1826. **Cyanohydrin 6.** TMSCN (0.60 g, 6.0 mmol) was added to a solution of octanal (0.64 g, 5.0 mmol) and Yb(OTf)₃·n H₂O (0.16 g, 0.25 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred for 2.5 h before CH₃CN (7 mL) and aq. HCl (1 M, 7

mL) were added. After stirring for 30 min, the product was extracted with EtOAc, the combined extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 10:1) to give product **6** as a colorless oil (0.41 g, 52%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 4.45$ (dt, J = 6.6, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.50 (brs, 1H), 1.86-1.79 (m, 2H), 1.53-1.43 (m, 2H), 1.38-1.20 (m, 8H), 0.86 ppm (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 119.9, 61.4, 35.2, 31.6, 29.0, 28.9, 24.5, 22.6, 14.0 ppm; IR (film): <math>\tilde{v} =$ 3433, 2927, 2857, 1466, 1126, 1072, 724 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 155 (< 1) [M]⁺, 110 (6), 95 (11), 84 (39), 71 (13), 69 (30), 57 (80), 43 (100), 41 (81), 29 (49), 27 (65); HRMS (CI, *i*butane): calcd for C₉H₁₈NO⁺: 156.1388 [M+H]⁺; found: 156.1390.

(S)-Cyanohydrin 15. A solution of $Ti(Oi-Pr)_4$ in CH_2Cl_2 (0.10 M, 2.0 mL, 0.20 mmol) was added to a suspension of ligand 24 (74 mg, 0.21 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (8 mL). HO $\stackrel{CN}{\longrightarrow}$ $\stackrel{OBn}{\longrightarrow}$ The mixture was stirred for 1 h before it was cooled to -40 °C and TMSCN (0.57 g, 6.0 mmol) was introduced. After stirring for 20 min, a solution of

aldehyde **14** (0.53 g, 2.0 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) was added dropwise and the resulting mixture stirred for 48 h at this temperature. aq. HCl (2 M, 12 mL) and EtOAc (12 mL) were then sequentially added, the mixture was allowed to reach ambient temperature and stirring continued for 5 h. After extraction with EtOAc, the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 5:1) to give cyanohydrin **15** as a colorless oil (0.51 g, 88%, 89% ee). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -3$ (c = 0.17, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.35-7.24$ (m, 5H), 4.48 (s, 2H), 4.44 (dt, J = 6.6, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.45 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.31 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 1.86-1.78 (m, 2H), 1.64-1.42 (m, 4H), 1.40-1.20 ppm (m, 10H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 138.5$, 128.4, 127.7, 127.5, 119.9, 72.9, 70.5, 61.3, 35.2, 29.7, 29.3 (2C), 29.2, 28.8, 26.1, 24.5 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 3445$, 2928, 2855, 1455, 1365, 1075, 739, 698 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 289 (5) [M]⁺, 262 (6), 135 (2), 107 (76, 91 (100), 79 (10), 65 (10), 55 (12), 41 (14); HRMS (EI): calcd for C₁₈H₂₇NO₂⁺: 289.2042 [M⁺]; found: 289.2039.

The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Chiralpak IC-3 Nr IC3OCD-OD004, 3 µm, Ø 4.6 mm, *n*-heptane/2-propanol = 80:20 (*v*/*v*), 1 mL·min⁻¹, 298 K, UV detection @ 210 nm: $t_R = 6.73$ and 9.43 min) after transformation of the cyanohydrin into the corresponding acetate (Ac₂O, Et₃N, CH₂Cl₂), using a racemic sample for comparison. The acetate analyzed as follows: $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -32$ (c = 0.13, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.34-7.24$ (m, 5H), 5.29 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (s, 2H), 3.44 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 1.91-1.83 (m, 2H), 1.64-1.55 (m, 2H), 1.50-1.40 (m, 2H), 1.40-1.20 ppm (m, 10H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 169.2$, 138.7, 128.3, 127.6, 127.4, 116.9, 72.8, 70.4, 61.1, 32.2, 29.7, 29.3 (2C), 29.1, 28.7, 26.1, 24.5, 20.4 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 2929$, 2855, 1753, 1454, 1372, 1218, 1101, 1029, 737, 698 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): *m/z*

(%): 331 (9) [M]⁺, 174 (1), 135 (1), 107 (100), 91 (82), 43 (28); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₂₀H₂₉NO₃+Na⁺: 354.2040 [M+Na]⁺; found: 354.2037.

Ester 7. Et₃N (0.91 g, 9.0 mmol) and 2-bromopropionyl bromide (1.8 g, 8.2 mmol) were



sequentially added to a solution of cyanohydrin 6 (0.98 g, 6.3 mmol) in Br cN sequentially added to a solution of 1/2 was warmed to ambient temperature and CH_2Cl_2 (20 mL) at 0 °C. The mixture was warmed to ambient temperature and 1/2 1/

extracted with CH₂Cl₂, the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 10:1) to give ester 7 as a mixture of diastereomers (1.8 g, 96%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 5.35$ (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 5.34 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 1.97-1.89 (m, 2H×2), 1.84 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.83 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.55-1.45 (m, 2H×2), 1.40-1.20 (m, 8H×2), 0.87 ppm (t, J = 6.6, 6.7 Hz, 3H×2); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 168.5$ (×2), 116.4, 116.1, 62.5, 62.3, 38.5, 38.2, 32.1 (×2), 31.6 (×2), 28.9 (×2), 28.7, 28.6, 24.4, 24.3, 22.5 (×2), 21.3, 21.2, 14.0 (×2) ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{v} = 2956, 2928, 2857, 1753, 1446, 1379,$ 1334, 1247, 1211, 1147, 1095, 1074, 1052, 993, 969 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 290 (< 1) [M]⁺, 262 (1), 248 (< 1), 233 (< 1), 210 (14), 182 (2), 168 (3), 154 (27), 137 (31), 122 (17), 109 (72), 95 (65), 81 (86), 69 (71), 56 (85), 43 (100); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for $C_{12}H_{20}NO_2Br+Na^+$: 312.0570 [M+Na]⁺; found: 312.0570.

Ester 16. Prepared analogously from cyanohydrin 15 (0.49 g, 1.7 mmol) and 2bromopropionyl bromide (0.43 g, 2.0 mmol) as a mixture of $\int_{0}^{B^{r}} \int_{0}^{CN} \int_{0}^{CN} OBn \quad \text{diastereomers (0.69 g, 97\%). } \left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{20} = -23 \text{ (c = 0.13, CH₂Cl₂); }^{1} \text{H NMR}$ (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.34-7.24$ (m, 5H×2), 5.35 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (s, 2H×2), 4.38 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, $2H \times 2$), $1.96 \cdot 1.89$ (m, $2H \times 2$), 1.84 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.83 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.64-1.44 (m, 4H×2), 1.40-1.20 ppm (m, 10H×2); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta =$ 168.7, 168.5, 138.7 (×2), 128.3 (×2), 127.6 (×2), 127.5 (×2), 116.4, 116.1, 72.9 (×2), 70.4 (×2), 62.5, 62.3, 38.5, 38.2, 32.1 (×2), 29.7 (×2), 29.3 (×2), 29.2 (×2), 29.1 (×2), 28.7, 28.6, 26.1 (×2), 24.4, 24.3, 21.3, 21.1 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{v} = 2929, 2855, 1754, 1453, 1360, 1246,$ 1211, 1147, 1097, 1075, 737, 698 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 423 (2) $[M]^+$, 288 (< 1), 244 (< 1), 135 (3), 107 (100), 91 (82), 79 (6), 55 (6), 41 (6); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for $C_{21}H_{30}NO_{3}Br+Na^{+}$: 446.1301 [M+Na]⁺; found: 446.1306.

Alkenyltriflate 9. Methanesulfonic acid (3.9 µL, 0.060 mmol) was added to a suspension of

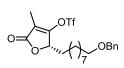


Zn dust (0.59 g, 9.0 mmol) in THF (6 mL) and the mixture stirred at reflux temperature for 15 min. A solution of compound 7 (1.8 g, 6.0 mmol) in THF (12 mL) was added dropwise to the refluxing suspension and stirring

continued for 3 h. After reaching ambient temperature, aq. HCl (2.0 M, 60 mL) was introduced and the mixture stirred at 90 °C (bath temperature) overnight. For work up, the mixture was allowed to cool, the product was extracted with EtOAc, and the combined extracts were dried over Na_2SO_4 and evaporated.

Et₃N (0.91 g, 9.0 mmol) and Tf₂O (2.5 g, 9.0 mmol) were sequentially added to a solution of the crude product **8** thus formed in CH₂Cl₂ (25 mL) at 0 °C, and the resulting mixture stirred at that temperature for 2 h. The reaction was quenched with H₂O, the product was extracted with CH₂Cl₂, the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 20:1) to provide alkenyl triflate **9** as a pale yellow oil (1.4 g, 69% over 2 steps). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 5.05-4.98 (m, 1H), 2.00-1.90 (m, 1H), 1.92 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 3H), 1.65-1.55 (m, 1H), 1.46-1.18 (m, 10H), 0.86 ppm (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 169.8, 162.7, 118.4 (q, *J* = 319 Hz), 118.1, 78.3, 31.6, 31.4, 28.9, 28.8, 24.1, 22.5, 14.0, 7.7 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu}$ = 2933, 1782, 1708, 1436, 1219, 1137, 811, 764 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): *m/z* (%): 344 (4) [M]⁺, 315 (2), 288 (5), 259 (18), 246 (47), 211 (9), 195 (79), 165 (11), 149 (17), 137 (5), 127 (21), 95 (7), 83 (43), 69 (29), 57 (100), 43 (43); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₁₃H₁₉O₅F₃S+Na⁺: 367.0798 [M+Na]⁺; found: 367.0798.

Alkenyltriflate 17. Prepared analogously from substrate 16 (1.3 g, 3.1 mmol) as a pale



yellow oil (1.1 g, 77% over both steps). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +10$ (c = 0.11, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.36-7.24$ (m, 5H), 5.04-4.98 (m, 1H), 4.48 (s, 2H), 3.44 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.00-1.90 (m, 1H), 1.92 (d, J = 1.8

Hz, 3H), 1.65-1.53 (m, 3H), 1.48-1.20 ppm (m, 12H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 169.8, 162.6, 138.7, 128.3, 127.6, 127.4, 118.4$ (q, J = 319 Hz), 118.2, 78.3, 72.8, 70.5, 31.4, 29.7, 29.3 (2C), 29.2, 28.9, 26.1, 24.1, 7.7 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 2930, 2856, 1779, 1707, 1433, 1242, 1218, 1137, 1105, 930, 810, 764, 736, 698 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): <math>m/z$ (%): 478 (3) [M]⁺, 460 (4), 387 (4), 345 (8), 259 (6), 223 (41), 180 (3), 107 (22), 91 (100), 69 (12), 55 (11); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₂₂H₂₉O₆F₃S+Na⁺: 501.1529 [M+Na]⁺; found: 501.1534.

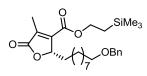
Methyl Ester 10. Pd(OCOCF₃)₂ (20 mg, 60 µmol) and DPEphos (32 mg, 60 µmol) were



dissolved in CH₃CN (3 mL) and the mixture stirred for 5 min before a solution of alkenyltriflate **9** (0.21 g, 0.60 mmol) in CH₃CN (3 mL), followed by MeOH (1.2 mL) and *i*-Pr₂NEt (0.16 g, 1.2 mmol) were added. The resulting mixture was stirred under CO atmosphere (balloon) for 18 h before the reaction was

quenched with aq. sat. NH₄Cl. The product was extracted with EtOAc, the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 10:1) to give ester **10** as a pale yellow oil (140 mg, 89%). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 5.13-5.03$ (m, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 2.17 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 3H), 2.13-1.98 (m, 1H), 1.60-1.45 (m, 1H), 1.45-1.18 (m, 10H), 0.85 ppm (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 172.9$, 162.6, 147.6, 137.4, 81.4, 52.3, 32.8, 31.7, 29.1, 29.0, 24.7, 22.6, 14.0, 10.8 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 2955$, 2926, 2857, 1764, 1724, 1438, 1337, 1220, 1098, 1036, 966, 776, 759 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 254 (1) [M]⁺, 239 (< 1), 225 (38), 195 (17), 169 (14), 156 (100), 127 (49), 109 (9), 95 (16), 81 (5), 67 (45), 57 (98), 43 (54), 29 (27); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₁₄H₂₂O₄+Na⁺: 277.1410 [M+Na]⁺; found: 277.1410.

Compound 18. A solution of Pd(OCOCF₃)₂ (40 mg, 0.12 mmol) and DPEphos (65 mg, 0.12



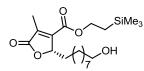
mmol) in CH₃CN (5 mL) was stirred for 5 min before a solution of alkenyltriflate **17** (0.57 g, 1.2 mmol) in CH₃CN (5 mL), followed by 2-trimethylsilylethanol (0.71 g, 6.0 mmol) and *i*-Pr₂NEt (0.19 g, 1.5 mmol) were added. The mixture was stirred under CO atmosphere (1

atm, balloon) for 14 h. The reaction was then quenched with aq. sat. NH₄Cl and the product extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the crude material was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 20:1) to give ester **18** as a pale yellow oil (0.46 g, 82%). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -20$ (c = 0.25, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.35-7.24$ (m, 5H), 5.10-5.04 (m, 1H), 4.48 (s, 2H), 4.40-4.27 (m, 2H), 3.44 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.17 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 3H), 2.10-2.00 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.47 (m, 3H), 1.40-1.20 (m, 12H), 1.10-1.04 (m, 2H), 0.05 ppm (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 173.1$, 162.4, 148.1, 138.7, 136.9, 128.3, 127.6, 127.4, 81.4, 72.8, 70.5, 64.1, 32.7, 29.7, 29.5, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 26.1, 24.7, 17.5, 10.8, -1.6 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 2927$, 2855, 1765, 1717, 1454, 1329, 1250, 1222, 1099, 936, 858, 837, 735, 697 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): *m/z* (%): 428 (1), 368 (12), 340 (4), 295 (3), 267 (8), 223 (58), 91 (100), 73 (46); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₂₇H₄₂O₅Si+Na⁺: 497.2694 [M+Na]⁺; found: 497.2696.

Ester 11 and Diastereomer 12. A mixture of compound 10 (25 mg, 0.10 mmol) and MeQ MeQMeQ

 $\begin{array}{l} \overset{\text{MeO}}{\longrightarrow} & \begin{array}{l} Spectral \ data \ of \ Isomer \ 12: \ ^1\text{H NMR} \ (500 \ \text{MHz}, \ \text{CDCl}_3): \ \delta = 4.68 \ (\text{dt}, \ J = 6.8, \\ 6.3 \ \text{Hz}, \ 1\text{H}), \ 3.73 \ (\text{s}, \ 3\text{H}), \ 3.09 \ (\text{dd}, \ J = 9.3, \ 6.4 \ \text{Hz}, \ 1\text{H}), \ 2.95 \ (\text{dq}, \ J = 9.3, \ 7.5 \\ \text{Hz}, \ 1\text{H}), \ 1.67\text{-}1.60 \ (\text{m}, \ 2\text{H}), \ 1.52\text{-}1.42 \ (\text{m}, \ 1\text{H}), \ 1.42\text{-}1.18 \ (\text{m}, \ 9\text{H}), \ 1.20 \ (\text{d}, \ J = 7.5 \ \text{Hz}, \ 3\text{H}), \ 0.86 \ \text{ppm} \ (\text{t}, \ J = 6.7 \ \text{Hz}, \ 3\text{H}); \ ^{13}\text{C} \ \text{NMR} \ (125 \ \text{MHz}, \ \text{CDCl}_3): \ \delta = 177.3, \ 170.6, \\ 79.5, \ 52.2, \ 50.0, \ 37.2, \ 34.7, \ 31.7, \ 29.2, \ 29.0, \ 25.3, \ 22.6, \ 14.1, \ 11.9 \ \text{ppm}. \end{array}$

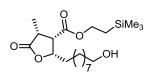
Ester 19. A mixture of compound 18 (0.16 g, 0.34 mmol) and Pd/C (10%, 20 mg) in EtOH



(10 mL) was stirred overnight under H₂ atmosphere (1 atm). The catalyst was then filtered off through a pad of Celite, the filtrate was evaporated and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 3:1) to yield compound **19** as a colorless oil (0.10 g,

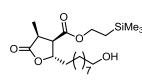
79%). $\left[\alpha\right]_{p}^{20} = -27$ (c = 0.10, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 5.11-5.03$ (m, 1H), 4.42-4.26 (m, 2H), 3.61 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.16 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 3H), 2.10-1.98 (m, 1H), 1.60-1.20 (m, 16H), 1.12-1.04 (m, 2H), 0.05 ppm (s, 9H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 173.1$, 162.4, 148.1, 136.9, 81.4, 64.1, 63.0, 32.8, 32.7, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 29.1, 25.7, 24.7, 17.5, 10.8, -1.6 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{v} = 3422, 2928, 2856, 1766, 1717, 1393, 1331, 1250, 1224, 1180, 1042,$ 936, 859, 837, 760, 697 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 341 (11), 323 (23), 211 (26), 185 (8), 169 (8), 139 (6), 81 (7), 73 (100), 55 (24), 41 (16); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for $C_{20}H_{36}O_5Si+Na^+$: 407.2224 [M+Na]⁺; found: 407.2224.

Ester 20. A mixture of compound 19 (93 mg, 0.24 mmol) and Rh/Al₂O₃ (5% w/w, 13 mg) in



EtOAc (5 mL) was stirred in an autoclave under H_2 pressure (11 bar) for 17 h. For work up, the autoclave was vented, the catalyst was filtered off through a pad of Celite, the filtrate was evaporated and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 2:1) to

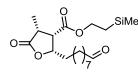
provide product 20 (75 mg, 81%) as a colorless oil. A second fraction was also collected, which consisted of the diastereomer 21 (13 mg, 13%). Analytical and spectral data of 20: $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -37 \text{ (c} = 0.1, \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2);$ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 4.37 \text{ (dt, } J = 8.5, 5.1 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}),$ 4.27-4.15 (m, 2H), 3.62 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.23 (dd, J = 7.5, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (dg, J = 7.2, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 1.82-1.70 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.20 (m, 16H), 1.24 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.04-0.97 (m, 2H), 0.03 ppm (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 177.2$, 169.7, 79.1, 63.4, 63.0, 50.7, 39.2, 32.7, 30.8, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 29.1, 25.8, 25.7, 17.7, 10.3, -1.6 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{v} = 3438$, 2927, 2855, 1777, 1729, 1462, 1402, 1341, 1250, 1173, 1039, 978, 860, 838, 760, 695 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 356 (1), 343 (3), 325 (5), 313 (3), 283 (3), 253 (7), 224 (4), 211 (9), 186 (6), 143 (9), 95 (13), 73 (100), 55 (14), 41 (11); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for $C_{20}H_{38}O_5Si+Na^+$: 409.2381 [M+Na]⁺; found: 409.2383.



Analytical and spectral data of isomer 21: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, SiMe₃ CDCl₃): $\delta = 4.67$ (q, J = 6.4, 1H), 4.24-4.17 (m, 2H), 3.61 (t, J = 6.6Hz, 2H), 3.04 (dd, J = 9.2, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 2.95 (dq, J = 9.3, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 1.70-1.24 (m, 17H), 1.21 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 1.03-0.95 (m, 2H), 0.03

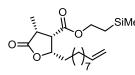
ppm (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 177.4$, 170.2, 79.5, 63.7, 63.0, 50.2, 37.2, 34.7, 32.8, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 29.1, 25.7, 25.3, 17.6, 11.9, -1.6 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{v} = 3487, 2928$, 2856, 1777, 1731, 1460, 1383, 1357, 1250, 1175, 1043, 978, 859, 838, 760, 695 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): *m/z* (%): 371 (< 1), 343 (3), 325 (5), 313 (8), 283 (5), 253 (7), 223 (5), 211 (27), 143 (12), 95 (11), 73 (100), 41 (7); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for $C_{20}H_{38}O_5Si+Na^+$: 409.2381 [M+Na]⁺; found: 409.2383.

Compound 22. TEMPO (3.3 mg, 21 µmol) and PhI(OAc)₂ (74 mg, 0.23 mmol) were added



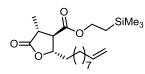
to a solution of **20** (80 mg, 0.21 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (2 mL). The mixture was stirred for 2 h before the reaction was quenched with aq. sat. $Na_2S_2O_3$. The product was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 , the combined organic layers were dried over Na_2SO_4 and evaporated, and the

residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 4:1) to provide the corresponding aldehyde as a pale yellow oil (67 mg, 84%), which analyzed as follows: $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -36$ (c = 0.11, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 9.73$ (t, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (ddd, J = 8.6, 5.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 4.25-4.14 (m, 2H), 3.22 (dd, J = 7.5, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (dq, J = 7.2, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (td, J = 7.4, 1.7 Hz, 2H), 1.80-1.70 (m, 1H), 1.65-1.20 (m, 13H), 1.23 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.03-0.96 (m, 2H), 0.02 ppm (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 202.8$, 177.1, 169.7, 79.1, 63.4, 50.7, 43.8, 39.2, 30.8, 29.2, 29.1 (2C), 29.0, 25.8, 21.9, 17.7, 10.3, -1.6 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 2930$, 2856, 2714, 1778, 1725, 1456, 1403, 1341, 1250, 1171, 1123, 1038, 976, 859, 837, 758, 695 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 357 (1), 341 (7), 313 (7), 295 (4), 283 (7), 267 (2), 255 (5), 239 (2), 222 (3), 211 (9), 186 (5), 129 (16), 95 (9), 81 (12), 73 (100), 55 (11), 41 (11); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₂₀H₃₆O₅Si+Na⁺: 407.2224 [M+Na]⁺; found: 407.2220.



A solution of this aldehyde (0.13 g, 0.34 mmol) in THF (2 mL) and CH_2I_2 (61 µL, 0.76 mmol) were sequentially added to a suspension of Cp_2ZrCl_2 (0.12 g, 0.42 mmol) and Zn dust (0.18 g, 2.8 mmol) in THF (5 mL). The resulting mixture was vigorously stirred for 5 h before the

reaction was quenched with H₂O. The product was extracted with a mixture of EtOAc and hexane, the combined extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 10:1) to give compound **22** as a colorless oil (0.094 g, 71%). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -30$ (c = 0.13, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 5.78$ (ddt, J = 17.0, 10.2, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 5.01-4.88 (m, 2H), 4.37 (dt, J = 8.4, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 4.27-4.14 (m, 2H), 3.23 (dd, J = 7.5, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (dq, J = 7.2, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.06-1.97 (m, 2H), 1.82-1.70 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.20 (m, 13H), 1.23 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.03-0.96 (m, 2H), 0.02 ppm (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 177.2, 169.7, 139.1, 114.2, 79.1, 63.4, 50.7, 39.2, 33.8, 30.8, 29.3 (2C), 29.2, 29.1, 28.9, 25.8, 17.7, 10.3, -1.6 ppm; IR (film): <math>\tilde{\nu} = 2926, 2855, 1781, 1731, 1640, 1463, 1402, 1341, 1250, 1173, 1038, 971, 909, 859, 838, 759, 696 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): <math>m/z$ (%): 367 (5), 354 (3), 339 (5), 321 (< 1), 309 (10), 264 (2), 243 (3), 204 (11), 186 (8), 143 (10), 95 (7), 73 (100), 55 (11), 41 (11); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₂₁H₃₈O₄Si+Na⁺: 405.2432 [M+Na]⁺; found: 405.2434.



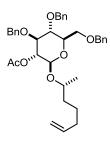
A second fraction was collected which consisted of an epimeric Me_3 compound, which analyzed as follows: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 5.79$ (ddt, J = 17.0, 10.2, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 5.01-4.87 (m, 2H), 4.42 (ddd, J = 9.4, 8.1, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 4.26-4.19 (m, 2H), 2.92 (dq, J = 11.4,

7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (dd, J = 11.4, 9.5 Hz, 1H), 2.06-1.97 (m, 2H), 1.82-1.60 (m, 2H), 1.53-1.20

(m, 12H), 1.30 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.04-0.96 (m, 2H), 0.04 ppm (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 176.9$, 170.9, 139.1, 114.2, 79.6, 64.0, 54.6, 39.9, 34.9, 33.8, 29.3 (2C), 29.2, 29.1, 28.9, 25.2, 17.5, 14.5, -1.5 ppm.

Acid 23. A solution of TBAF (1 M in THF, 0.60 mL, 0.6 mmol) was added to a solution of compound 22 (76 mg, 0.20 mmol) in THF (2 mL) at 0 °C and the resulting mixture stirred at that temperature for 1 h. The reaction was quenched with H₂O, the product was extracted with EtOAc, the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 1:1 + 0.1% HOAc) to give acid 23 as a white solid (52 mg, 92%). Mp: 110-111°C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = -49$ (c = 0.12, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 9.01$ (brs, 1H), 5.78 (ddt, *J* = 17.0, 10.3, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 5.00-4.87 (m, 2H), 4.40 (dt, *J* = 8.7, 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.30 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.92 (dq, *J* = 7.2, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.04-1.97 (m, 2H), 1.86-1.74 (m, 1H), 1.70-1.58 (m, 1H), 1.56-1.20 (m, 12H), 1.28 ppm (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 177.0$, 175.0, 139.1, 114.1, 78.8, 50.3, 39.1, 33.7, 30.8, 29.3 (2C), 29.2, 29.0, 28.9, 25.8, 10.2 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 2926$, 2855, 1766, 1713, 1694, 1640, 1439, 1381, 1353, 1192, 996, 961, 908, 732 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): *m/z* (%): 264 (10), 246 (18), 209 (12), 191 (10), 177 (7), 163 (13), 150 (100), 109 (31), 95 (48), 81 (62), 67 (56), 55 (81), 41 (98); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₁₆H₂₆O₄+Na⁺: 305.1723 [M+Na]⁺; found: 305.1723.

(*R*)-Hept-6-en-2-ol. A solution of 3-butenylmagnesium bromide (1.0 M in THF, 10 mL, 10 $_{OH}$ mmol) was added dropwise to a suspension of (*R*)-propylene oxide (0.44 g, 7.5 mmol) and CuCN (67 mg, 0.75 mmol) in THF (15 mL) at -78 °C. The stirred mixture was allowed to warm to ambient temperature over 16 h. The reaction was quenched with aq. sat. NH₄Cl, the product extracted with EtOAc, and the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 10 : 1) provided the title compound as a colorless oil (0.72 g, 84 %). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -14$ (c = 0.12, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 5.79$ (ddt, J =17.0, 10.3, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 5.05-4.89 (m, 2H), 3.90-3.70 (m, 1H), 2.12-2.00 (m, 2H), 1.56-1.30 (m, 5H), 1.17 ppm (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 138.7$, 114.6, 68.0, 38.7, 33.7, 25.0, 23.5 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 3341$, 3080, 2968, 2932, 1641, 1459, 1373, 1121, 996, 910 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 113 (< 1), 96 (9), 79 (4), 71 (27), 67 (13), 57 (9), 54 (65), 45 (100), 42 (22); HRMS (CI, *i*-butane): calcd for C₇H₁₅O⁺: 115.1123 [M+H]⁺; found: 115.1123.

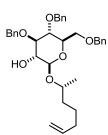


Monosaccharide 26. A solution of imidate **25** (1.3 g, 2.0 mmol)⁵ and (*R*)-hept-6-en-2-ol (**8**, 0.21 g, 1.8 mmol) in a mixture of CH₂Cl₂ and pentane (1:1, 15 mL) was cooled to -20 °C. A solution of BF₃·OEt₂ (0.28 g, 2.0 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ and pentane (1:1, 15 mL) was added dropwise over 2 h and the resulting mixture stirred at that temperature for 3 h. The reaction was quenched with aq. sat. NaHCO₃ and the product extracted with EtOAc.

⁵ A. Fürstner, I. Konetzki, *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1998**, *39*, 5721-5724.

The combined extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 10 : 1) to furnish glycoside **26** as a colorless oil (0.88 g, 76%). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -11$ (c = 0.14, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.35-7.15$ (m, 15H), 5.77 (ddt, J = 17.0, 10.3, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 5.00-4.87 (m, 3H), 4.81-4.74 (m, 2H), 4.68-4.52 (m, 4H), 4.35 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.78-3.60 (m, 5H), 3.50-3.40 (m, 1H), 2.10-1.97 (m, 2H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.60-1.35 (m, 4H), 1.06 ppm (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 169.4, 138.9, 138.2, 138.0, 128.40, 128.38, 128.32, 128.0, 127.8$ (2C), 127.7, 127.6 (2C), 127.5, 114.4, 99.5, 83.1, 78.1, 75.22, 75.20, 75.0, 74.9, 73.6, 73.4, 69.0, 36.4, 33.6, 24.6, 20.9, 19.8 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 3064, 3031, 2865, 1749, 1497, 1454, 1373, 1231, 1057, 909, 736, 698 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): <math>m/z$ (%): 497 (2), 475 (< 1), 383 (9), 277 (7), 181 (5), 127 (3), 91 (100), 55 (9); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₃₆H₄₄O₇+Na⁺: 611.2979 [M+Na]⁺; found: 611.2979.

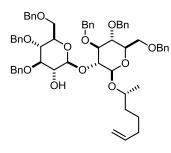
Monosaccharide 27. NaOMe (26 mg, 0.49 mmol) was added to a solution of compound 26



(0.26 g, 0.44 mmol) in MeOH (10 mL). After stirring for 40 h, the reaction was quenched with aq. sat. NaHCO₃ and the product extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 5:1) to give product **27** as a colorless oil (0.21 g, 89%). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -12$ (c = 0.15, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.40-7.16$ (m, 15H), 5.78 (ddt, J = 17.0,

10.3, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 5.02-4.89 (m, 2H), 4.93 (d, J = 11.3 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (d, J = 11.3 Hz, 1H), 4.60 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (d, J = 12.2 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.90-3.88 (m, 1H), 3.74-3.62 (m, 2H), 3.62-3.53 (m, 2H), 3.53-3.40 (m, 2H), 2.26 (brs, 1H), 2.13-1.97 (m, 2H), 1.70-1.39 (m, 4H), 1.15 ppm (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 138.8$, 138.7, 138.3, 138.2, 128.39, 128.36, 128.32, 128.0, 127.9, 127.7, 127.64, 127.61, 127.5, 114.5, 100.6, 84.7, 77.6, 75.2, 75.0, 74.9, 74.7, 74.6, 73.5, 69.1, 36.6, 33.6, 24.7, 19.8 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 3453$, 3064, 3030, 2908, 2863, 1639, 1496, 1453, 1357, 1208, 1110, 1058, 1027, 909, 734, 696 cm⁻¹; MS (EI): m/z (%): 455 (4), 341 (5), 253 (3), 235 (5), 163 (5), 91 (100), 55 (8), 41 (1); HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₃₄H₄₂O₆+Na⁺: 569.2874 [M+Na]⁺; found: 569.2876.

Disaccharide 29. A solution of BF₃·OEt₂ (50 mg, 0.35 mmol) in a mixture of CH₂Cl₂ and

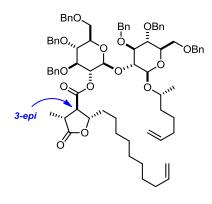


pentane (1 : 1, 6 mL) was added dropwise over 2.5 h to a solution of imidate **25** (0.21 g, 0.33 mmol)⁵ and compound **27** (0.16 g, 0.30 mmol) in a mixture of CH₂Cl₂ and pentane (1:1, 6 mL) at -20 °C. The resulting mixture was stirred at this temperature for 2.5 h before the reaction was quenched with aq. sat. NaHCO₃ and the product extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the residue purified by

flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 5:1), providing disaccharide **28** which contained some minor impurities.

This crude material was dissolved in MeOH (5 mL) and NaOMe (0.018 g, 0.33 mmol) was added. After stirring for 40 h, the reaction was quenched with aq. sat. NaHCO₃, the product extracted with CH₂Cl₂, and the combined extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc, 5:1) afforded disaccharide **29** as a white solid (0.25 g, 83% over both steps). Mp: 93-94 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -9$ (c = 0.13, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.42-7.15$ (m, 30H), 5.80 (ddt, *J* = 17.0, 10.2, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.05-4.91 (m, 3H), 4.90-4.80 (m, 4H), 4.72-4.44 (m, 9H), 3.90-3.80 (m, 1H), 3.80-3.40 (m, 13H), 2.13-1.98 (m, 2H), 1.60-1.38 (m, 4H), 1.16 ppm (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 138.9$ (2C), 138.3, 138.19, 138.17, 137.8, 137.3, 128.6, 128.5, 128.32, 128.31, 128.28, 128.23, 128.18, 128.13, 128.09, 127.9 (2C), 127.82, 127.80, 127.60, 127.58, 127.53, 127.48, 127.43, 114.4, 104.2, 100.6, 84.0, 83.9, 81.0, 78.7, 77.1, 77.0, 76.7, 76.4, 75.6, 75.1, 75.0, 74.84, 74.81 (2C), 73.5, 73.4, 69.1, 68.7, 36.5, 33.7, 24.5 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 3420, 3064, 3031, 2900, 1497, 1453, 1356, 1212, 1068, 1027, 908, 749, 696 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₆₁H₇₀O₁₁+Na⁺: 1001.4810 [M+Na]⁺; found: 1001.4815.$

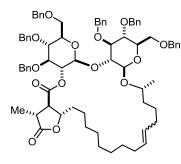
Compound 3-epi-30. DMAP (13 mg, 0.11 mmol) was added to a solution of acid 23 (28 mg,



0.10 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.5 mL) and the resulting solution stirred for 5 min before N,N'-diisopropylcarbodiimide (DIC, 14 mg, 0.11 mmol) was introduced. After stirring for 10 min, disaccharide **29** (58 mg, 59 µmol) was added and the resulting mixture stirred at ambient temperature for 24 h. The reaction was quenched with H₂O, the product extracted with a mixture of EtOAc and hexane, the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography

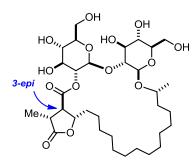
(hexane/EtOAc, 8:1) to give 3-*epi*-**30** (71 mg, 97%) as a colorless oil. A minor diastereomer (derived from cyanohydrin **15** of only 89% ee) was not separable at this stage by flash chromatography. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -15$ (c = 0.14, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.37$ -7.00 (m, 30H), 5.77 (ddt, J = 16.8, 10.3, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.76 (ddt, J = 16.8, 10.4, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (dd, J = 9.4, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.02-4.68 (m, 10H), 4.63 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.59-4.49 (m, 6H), 4.44 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.33-4.24 (m, 1H), 3.90-3.42 (m, 11H), 3.40-3.33 (m, 1H), 2.27 (dd, J = 11.2, 9.2 Hz, 1H), 2.18 (dq, J = 11.2, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 2.08-1.93 (m, 4H), 1.75-1.63 (m, 1H), 1.60-1.10 (m, 17H), 1.12 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3H), 1.01 ppm (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 176.9$, 168.8, 139.1, 138.8, 138.3, 138.2, 137.91, 137.86, 137.8, 137.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3 (4C), 127.9 (3C), 127.8 (2C), 127.7, 127.6, 127.57 (3C), 127.5, 127.1, 114.5, 114.1, 99.8, 99.3, 84.8, 82.9, 80.3, 78.8, 78.2, 77.9, 75.8, 75.3, 75.0, 74.83, 74.79, 74.6, 74.5, 74.4, 73.6, 73.5, 68.9, 68.4, 53.5, 38.4, 36.6, 35.3, 33.8, 33.6, 29.5, 29.4 (2C), 29.1, 28.9, 25.7, 24.7, 19.5, 14.7 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 3063$, 3030, 2926, 2856, 1779, 1749, 1640, 1497, 1454, 1360, 1064, 1027, 910, 735, 967 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₇₇H₉₄O₁₄+Na⁺: 1265.6536 [M+Na]⁺; found: 1265.6537.

3-epi-Gobienine A (3-epi-1). Complex 31 (2.7 mg, 2.9 µmol)⁶ was added to a solution of 3-



epi-30 (36 mg, 29 µmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) and the resulting mixture stirred at 40 °C for 14 h. After reaching room temperature, the solvent was evaporated and the residue purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 5:1 + 0.1% Et₃N) to afford cycloalkene **3-epi-32** as an *E/Z*-mixture (32 mg, 91%). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -22$ (c = 0.09, CH₂Cl₂); IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 2926$, 2855, 1779, 1752, 1497, 1454, 1360, 1249, 1067, 1028, 735, 697 cm⁻¹;

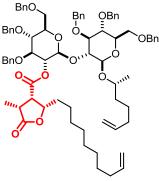
HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for $C_{75}H_{90}O_{14}+Na^+$: 1237.6223 [M+Na]⁺; found: 1237.6217. This product mixture was used in the next step without further characterization.



A mixture comprising cycloalkene **3**-*epi*-**32** (7.1 mg, 5.8 μ mol) and Pd/C (10% *w/w*, 3.0 mg) in MeOH (1 mL), EtOAc (1 mL) and HCO₂H (0.05 mL) was stirred under H₂ atmosphere (1 atm, balloon) for 18 h at ambient temperature. The catalyst was then filtered off through a pad of Celite, the filtrate was evaporated and the residue purified by flash chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 5:1) to afford **3**-*epi*-**1** as a white solid (3.6 mg,

91%). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -28$ (c = 0.06, MeOH); IR (film): $\tilde{v} = 3358, 2924, 2854, 1747, 1665, 1570, 1457, 1406, 1378, 1257, 1187, 1068, 1031, 896, 721 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₃₃H₅₆O₁₄+Na⁺: 699.3562 [M+Na]⁺; found: 699.3559. For the NMR data, see Table S4.$

Compound 30. For the success of the reaction, it was important to use freshly distilled



 CH_2Cl_2 containing < 1 ppm of water (Karl Fischer titration).

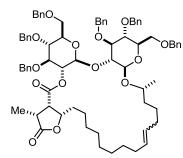
Acid **23** (33.0 mg, 117 μ mol) was transferred into a Schlenk flask using dry toluene. The solvent was evaporated in vacuo before a solution of DMF in CH₂Cl₂ (2 μ M, 2.8 mL) was added. Oxalyl chloride (38 μ L, 0.47 mmol) was introduced and the solution stirred for 3 h before the solvent and the excess reagent were evaporated in vacuo.

In a separate flask, disaccharide **29** (76 mg, 77 μ mol) was dissolved in dry toluene and the solvent removed in vacuo to co-evaporate traces of water. The dried material was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (0.3 mL) and the resulting solution added to the solid acid chloride (rinsing the flask with CH₂Cl₂, 3 x 0.2 mL). The mixture was cooled to 0 °C before triethylamine (65 μ L, 0.47 mmol) was added, and stirring was continued for 2 h at this temperature. For work up, sat. aq. NaHCO₃ was introduced, the mixture extracted with ethyl acetate (5x), the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and the solvents evaporated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (silica of 15-40 μ m,

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hexanes/ethyl acetate 90/10 \rightarrow 80/20) to give ester 3-epi-30 (21 mg, 21%) as a clear oil, several mixed fractions, and a fraction of pure diene 30. The mixed fractions were combined and re-subjected to flash chromatography on silica (silica of 15-40 µm, hexanes/acetone 95/5 \rightarrow 90/10) to afford a second crop of product **30** as a clear oil (64 mg, 66%, combined yield). The product contained a diastereomeric impurity, which originates from cyanohydrin 15 used as the starting material that had only been 89% optically pure; this by-product was removed after the RCM step (see below). $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{20} = -34$ (c = 1.0, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.39 - 7.17$ (m, 28H), 7.12 - 7.06 (m, 2H), 5.80 (ddt, J = 16.9, 10.2, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 5.74 (ddt, J = 17.0, 10.2, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (dd, J = 9.4, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (dq, J = 17.2, 1.8 Hz, 1.8 Hz)1H), 4.96 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (dq, J = 17.1, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 4.92 (ddt, J = 10.2, 2.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.89 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 4.89 (d, J = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.90 - 4.87 (m, 1H), 4.79 (m, 1H), 4.7 10.6 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.71 - 4.66 (m, 2H), 4.65 - 4.53 (m, 6H), 4.30 (d, J =7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (ddd, J = 9.4, 5.2, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (t, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (dd, J = 8.8, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.79 - 3.66 (m, 5H), 3.65 - 3.56 (m, 3H), 3.40 - 3.33 (m, 2H), 3.20 (dd, J = 7.5, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (qi, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.07 - 1.90 (m, 4H), 1.71 (dddd, J = 14.3, 9.6, 9.1, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 1.59 - 1.02 (m, 15H), 1.27 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.15 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3H), 1.00 - 0.80 ppm (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 176.9, 168.4 139.2, 139.0, 138.2(4), 138.1(9), 138.1(2), 138.0(5), 137.9, 137.6, 128.6, 128.4(2), 128.3(9), 128.3(2), 128.3(0), 128.2, 128.0, 127.9(1), 127.8(8), 127.8(2), 127.6, 127.5(2), 127.4(9), 127.2, 126.3, 114.3, 114.1, 99.9, 98.6, 86.0, 81.8, 79.1, 78.4, 78.0, 76.2, 75.8, 75.4, 75.2, 74.8(9), 74.8(7), 74.8, 73.7, 73.6, 73.5, 73.2, 68.8, 68.1, 50.5, 39.3, 36.5, 33.8, 33.6, 30.6, 29.5, 29.2, 29.0, 28.9, 28.7, 26.1, 24.7, 20.0, 10.8 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{v} = 2926, 2856, 1780, 1746, 1639, 1497, 1454, 1360, 1181, 1149,$ 1069, 1027, 909, 734, 697 cm⁻¹; MS (ESI⁺): *m/z*: 1265 [M+Na]⁺, 644.3 [M+2Na]²⁺; HRMS (ESI^{+}) : calcd for $C_{77}H_{94}O_{14}+Na^{+}$: 1265.6536 $[M+Na]^{+}$; found: 1265.6541.

Compound 32. Complex 31 (2.8 mg, 3.0 µmol) was added to a solution of diene 30 (37 mg,

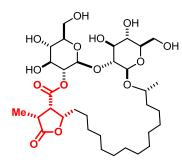


30 µmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (21 mL) and the resulting mixture was stirred at reflux temperature for 16 h. After reaching ambient temperature, the solvent was evaporated and the residue purified by flash chromatography (silica of 15-40 µm, hexanes/ethyl acetate 90/10 \rightarrow 85/15) to yield product **32** as a clear oil (30 mg, 83%, *E/Z* mixture). It is of note that the minor diastereomers originating from the imperfect enantiomeric purity of the

cyanohydrin **15** (89% *ee*) were removed at this point (2 mg, 5%). $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -26$ (*c* = 1.0, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 7.45 - 7.08$ (m, 30H), 5.44 - 5.22 (m, 2H), 5.13 - 4.84 (m, 5H), 4.84 - 4.76 (m, 1H), 4.71 - 4.54 (m, 8H), 4.53 - 4.38 (m, 1H), 4.38 - 4.27 (m, 1H), 4.01 - 3.51 (m, 10H), 3.45 - 3.37 (m, 1H), 3.35 - 3.12 (m, 2H), 2.78 - 2.64 (m, 1H), 2.27 - 1.79 (m, 6H), 1.79 - 1.69 (m, 1H), 1.65 - 1.21 (m, 15H), 1.23 - 1.13 (m, 3H), 1.09 ppm (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 177.2$, 177.1, 168.1, 168.0, 138.6(5), 138.6(2) *br*, 138.3(0) *br*, 138.2(8), 138.2(2), 138.1(8), 138.1(3) *br*, 138.0(5) *br*, 137.9(9) *br*,

137.8(9), 137.6(5), 137.6(2), 131.0 *br*, 130.6, 130.1, 129.9, 128.4, 128.3(4), 128.3(2), 128.2(9), 128.2(5), 128.1, 128.0, 127.9, 127.8(8), 127.7(9), 127.7(5), 127.7(1), 127.7(0), 127.6(2), 127.5(8), 127.5, 127.4(9), 127.4(7) *br*, 127.4(4) *br*, 127.0(6) *br*, 127.0(3) *br*, 126.4, 126.3, 100.6 *br*, 99.8 *br*, 98.0, 97.7, 85.5 *br*, 85.2 *br*, 81.4, 79.9, 79.7, 78.6, 78.5, 78.4, 78.3, 75.3, 75.2, 74.9(8), 74.9(5), 74.9(3), 74.8(6), 74.8(4), 74.4, 74.3, 74.2, 74.0, 73.5, 73.4, 73.3, 72.7, 72.6 *br*, 68.9, 68.8, 67.8 *br*, 67.6 *br*, 51.3, 51.1 *br*, 39.1, 39.0, 35.9, 35.5 *br*, 32.4, 32.0, 30.6, 29.5 *br*, 29.4, 29.0(7), 29.0(2) *br*, 28.9, 28.5, 27.9, 27.6, 26.8, 26.3, 26.1 *br*, 24.2 *br*, 24.0 *br*, 20.4 *br*, 19.7 *br*, 10.5, 10.3 ppm; IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 2924$, 2855, 1782, 1744, 1497, 1454, 1360, 1183, 1069, 1027, 735, 697 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₇₅H₉₀O₁₄+Na⁺: 1237.6223 [M+Na]⁺; found: 1237.6229.

Nominal Gobienine A (1). Palladium on charcoal (10% w/w, 6.7 mg, 6.3 µmol) was added to



a solution of olefin **32** (15.2 mg, 12.5 μ mol) in a mixture of methanol (2.1 mL), ethyl acetate (2.1 mL) and formic acid (105 μ L). The suspension was stirred for 27 h under an atmosphere of H₂ (1 atm, balloon) before the catalyst was filtered off through a pad of Celite which was carefully rinsed with methanol. The combined filtrates were evaporated and the residue purified by flash chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/methanol,

90/10) to afford nominal gobienine A **1** (7.9 mg, 93%) as a white powder. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -37$ (c = 0.66, CH₂Cl₂); IR (film): $\tilde{\nu} = 3443$, 2923, 2854, 1770, 1739, 1378, 1338, 1224, 1194, 1079, 1033, 1005, 992 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI⁺): calcd for C₃₃H₅₆O₁₄+Na⁺: 699.3562 [M+Na]⁺; found: 699.3558. For the NMR data, see Table S3.

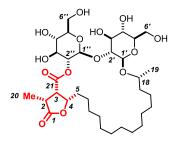


Table S3. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR data of nominal gobienine A (1) in C_5D_5N/CD_3OD (1:1, v/v);

Numbering scheme as shown in the Insert

The shifts of ¹H NMR signals, for which no multiplicity is given, were extracted from 2D spectra

¹³ C	¹³ C NMR (150 MHz) ^[a]	$^{1}\mathrm{H}$	¹ H NMR (600 MHz) ^[b]
1	179.7	-	-
2	40.4	2	3.04 qi (7.0)
2 3	52.1 broad	3	3.49 dd (6.9, 5.1)
4	81.2	4	4.47 dt (5.2, 7.0)
	21.6	5a	1.05
	31.6	5b	- 1.95 m
(26.0	6a	1.45
6	26.9	6b	1.41
7	20.0	7a	1.26
	30.0	7b	1.26
8		8a/b	
9		9a/b	
10	29.5 (broad), 29.4, 29.1 (broad),	10a/b	
11	28.9, 28.6(5), 28.6(2) (broad),	11a/b	1.24 – 1.18
12	28.5(5) (broad), 28.2(9) (broad)	12a/b	1.24 - 1.18
13	not individually assigned	13a/b	
14		14a/b	
15		15a/b	
16	25.1	16a	1.38
10		16b	1.32
17	37.7 broad	17a	1.57 m
		17b	1.32
18	76 very broad	18	3.90
19	20 broad	19	1.14 d (6.2)
20	11.0	20	1.42 d (7.1)
21	170.0	-	-
1'	101.5 broad	1'	4.54 d (7.0)
2'	80 very broad	2'	3.79
3'	78.2 broad	3'	3.81 t (9.1)
4'	71.7	4'	3.64 dd (9.5, 8.8)
5'	78.5	5'	3.44
6'	62.7	6'a	4.09 dd (11.9, 2.3)
		6'b	3.91 dd (12.0, 5.5)
1"	100.9 broad	1"	5.33
2"	77.1 broad	2"	5.07 dd (9.4, 8.2)
3"	77.0 broad	3"	3.67 t (9.2)
4"	72.2 broad	4"	3.72 t (9.1)
5"	78.7	5"	3.44
6"	62.6	6"a	4.06 dd (11.9, 2.3)
	02.0	6"b	3.88 dd (12.0, 5.2)

[a] $\delta_{\rm C}$ (ppm); [b] $\delta_{\rm H}$ (ppm), multiplicity, coupling constant *J* (Hz).

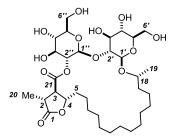


Table S4. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR data of 3-epi-1 in C₅D₅N/CD₃OD (1:1, v/v).

Numbering scheme as shown in the Insert.

The shifts of ¹H NMR signals, for which no multiplicity is given, were extracted from 2D spectra

¹³ C	¹³ C NMR (150 MHz) ^[a]	$^{1}\mathrm{H}$	¹ H NMR (600 MHz) ^[b]
1	178.6	-	-
2	40.4	2	3.16 dq (11.4, 7.1)
3	54.9	3	2.87 dd (11.4, 9.4)
4	80.0	4	4.94 dt (3.4, 9.1)
	26.2	5a	1.96
	36.2	5b	1.64 m
(26.6	6a	1.42
6		6b	– 1.42 m
7	20.8	7a	- 1.26
/	29.8	7b	1.20
8		8a/b	
9		9a/b	
10	20.7.20.5.29.7(8) 29.7(6)	10a/b	
11	29.7, 29.5, 28.7(8), 28.7(6), 28.7(4), 28.7(3), 28.4, 28.0	11a/b	1.26 – 1.18
12	not individually assigned	12a/b	1.20 - 1.18
13	not marvidually assigned	13a/b	
14		14a/b	
15		15a/b	
16	25.1	16a	- 1.34
10	23.1	16b	
17	38.0	17a	1.50
1/		17b	1.34
18	74.5	18	3.91
19	20.1	19	1.12 d (6.2)
20	15.2	20	1.25 d (7.1)
21	171.2	-	-
1'	101.3	1'	4.53 d (7.6)
2'	82.9	2'	3.55
3'	77.5	3'	3.71 t (9.0)
4'	72.3	4'	3.55
5'	78.2	5'	3.45 ddd (9.7, 6.2, 2.3)
6'	63.3	6'a	4.12 dd (11.6, 2.3)
		6'b	3.85 dd (11.7, 6.3)
1"	102.0	1"	5.17 d (8.1)
2"	77.4	2"	5.21 dd (9.1, 8.3)
3"	76.4	3"	3.82 t (9.0)
4"	71.4	4"	3.88 t (9.3)
5"	78.7	5"	3.53
6"	62.1	6"a	4.09 dd (11.9, 2.3)
	02.1	6"b	4.01 dd (11.9, 4.1)

[a] $\delta_{\rm C}$ (ppm); [b] $\delta_{\rm H}$ (ppm), multiplicity, coupling constant *J* (Hz).

