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Efficient and versatile synthesis of 5-O-acylquinic acids with a direct esterification using a *p*-methoxybenzyl quinate as a key intermediate

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1. Introduction

Acylquinic acids are widely distributed in nature as plantderived (poly)phenols.¹ They have attracted considerable attention because they exhibit a wide range of biological activities, including antioxidation,² anti-HIV-1 activity,³ antitumor activity,⁴ hepatoprotective activity,⁵ antifungal activity,⁶ collagenase inhibition,⁷ flower color development,⁸ and plant disease prevention.⁹ Interestingly, chlorogenic acid (3-O-caffeoylquinic acid) has been detected as a fermentation product of wine by Saccharomyces cerevisiae although grapes lack acylquinic acids.¹⁰ Thus, 5-O-acylquinic acids and the related compounds will probably be discovered in a wine during fermentation. Furthermore, acylquinic acid (i.e., chlorogenic acid) has been used to comprehend the formation mechanism of glutathion-substituted dihydroxyphenyl compounds formed during the oxidation of white wine because the caffeic acid plays an important role in wine oxidation.¹¹ Di- and triacylquinic acid derivatives, in

ABSTRACT

An efficient and versatile synthesis of 5-O-acylquinic acids from commercially available (–)-quinic acid was accomplished. We designed *p*-methoxybenzyl quinate as a key intermediate, and two problems, the esterification of the sterically hindered 5-OH group for the concise divergent synthesis and the low yield of the final deprotection step, were solved. For the first problem, we improved Tanabe's method, TsCl/ NMI-mediated esterification using free carboxylic acids, by the addition of *i*-Pr₂NEt. For the second problem, we established a TFA- or BCl₃/C₆HMe₅-catalyzed deprotection reaction for the final deprotection step. 5-O-Acylquinic acids were synthesized in seven steps with 45–60% overall yield. © 2014 Published by Elsevier Ltd.

particular, possess remarkable and interesting biological activity. For example, 3,4,5-tri-*O*-caffeoylquinic acid^{3a} and 3,5-tri-*O*-caffeoylquinic acid^{3c} are recognized to exhibit high potential as anti-HIV-1 inhibitors. Of the monoacylquinic acid derivatives, Cisneros-Zevallos et al. reported that chlorogenic acid and 5-*O*-caffeoylquinic acid (1) exhibited anti-breast cancer activity.^{4b} It is well known that 1 and/or 5-*O*-*p*-coumaroylquinic acid (2) work as essential co-pigments to produce the blue color of hydrangeas.⁸ Recently, chlorogenic acid and 1 were reportedly linked to the increased resistance of peaches to brown rot infection.⁹

To investigate these unique biological properties of acylquinic acid derivatives, especially those of 5-*O*-acylquinic acids, an efficient and reliable synthetic methodology can be applied not only for natural ones but also for molecular designed analogs. Until now, a number of synthetic routes toward 3-*O*-acylquinic acids have been reported.¹² However, only two examples for 5-*O*-acylquinic acids exist (Scheme 1).^{8b,c,13,14} In these syntheses, there are two problems. One is the esterification of the sterically hindered axial 5-OH group. To achieve this reaction, unstable acyl chloride is required.^{8b,c,13} The other problem is the low yield of the final deprotection step. Under acidic conditions, the competitive deacylation^{8b,c} between the 5-acyl group and the 1-methyl group and the acyl transfer occurs

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(Scheme 1).^{8b,c,13} Thus, the choice of protecting group is crucial. We overcame these two problems and achieved an efficient and versatile synthesis of 5-O-acylquinic acids from (-)-quinic acid using *p*-methoxybenzyl (PMB) quinate **4** as a key intermediate.



Scheme 1. Previously reported route for 5-O-acylquinic acids using methyl quinate 3.

2. Results and discussion

2.1. Re-examination of the deprotection reaction of methyl 5-*O*-caffeoylquinate (5) under hydrochloric acid

Initially, we re-examined the deprotection reaction of methyl 5-O-caffeoylquinate (**5**) under hydrochloric acid. Sefkow et al. reported that the treatment of **5** in 1 M HCl/THF at 23 °C for 7 days gave 5-O-caffeoylquinic acid (**1**) in 81% yield (Scheme 1).¹³ However, our re-examination only gave a yield of less than 30%. To investigate the cause of such a low yield, the stability of **1** was studied under Sefkow's deprotection condition.¹³ More than 40% of **1** was decomposed after 7 days. Because hydrochloric acid obviously decomposes **1** gradually, we reasoned that a mild acidic condition and short reaction time should be required to solve the low yield of the final deprotection step.

2.2. Synthetic strategy for 5-O-acylquinic acids

Our retrosynthetic analysis of 5-O-acylquinic acids is shown in Scheme 2. Because the demethylation of 1-carboxylic acid might require a hard acidic condition and/or a long reaction time, we decided to replace the methyl group of the 1-carboxylic acid with a PMB group, which can be easily deprotected by using mild acidic conditions.^{15–20} Furthermore, we selected the MOM (methoxymethyl) group as the protecting group of the hydroxycinnamic moiety for the synthesis of 5-O-caffeoylquinic acid (1) and 5-O-*p*-coumaroylquinic acid (2) due to the rapid and mild deprotection under acidic conditions.²¹ 5-O-Acylquinic acids would be obtained by one-pot global deprotection from the corresponding 5-O-acyl PMB quinates. 5-O-Acyl PMB quinates could be synthesized by direct esterification using free carboxylic

acids. The key intermediate $\mathbf{4}$ could be prepared from (-)-quinic acid ($\mathbf{6}$).



Scheme 2. Retrosynthetic analysis of 5-O-acylquinic acids using PMB quinate 4.

2.3. Preparation of PMB quinate 4

Methyl quinate **3** was prepared based on a previous report¹⁴ in 90% yield (Scheme 3). After the alkaline hydrolysis of **3**, the PMB group was introduced by regioselective esterification according to Frost's report (Scheme 3).²² However, the yield of this protection step was quite low (25–40%). Thus, **4** was instead prepared using protection–deprotection techniques, as shown in Scheme 3. The protection of **3** by TBSCI produced the TBS ether **7** in 98% yield. Subsequent alkaline hydrolysis followed by protection with PMBCI generated the PMB ester **8** in 93% yield. However, desilylation of **8** by TBAF produced PMB quinate **4** in modest yield (55%) (Table 1, entry 1). A Sc(OTf)₃-catalyzed desilylation²³ increased the yield (73%) (Table 1, entry 2). Finally, TBAF/ACOH gave **4** in 96% yield²⁴ (79% overall yield from **6**) (Table 1, entry 3); its structure was unambiguously proven by X-ray crystallographic analysis (Fig. 1).



Scheme 3. Synthesis of PMB quinate 4.

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^a Isolated yield.



Fig. 1. X-ray crystal structure of PMB quinate 4.

2.4. Esterification of 5-OH of PMB quinate 4

With the key building block **4** in hand, various direct esterifications to the sterically hindered axial 5-OH group were

Table 2

7^{26d}

8^{26e}

Direct esterification of PMB quinate **4** with cinnamic acid (**9**)



NMI=N-methylimidazole; EDCI=1-ethyl-3-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)carbodiimide; DCC=N.N'-dicyclohexylcarbodiimide: HOBt=1-hydroxybenzotriazole: HOAt=1hydroxy-7-azabenzotriazole: TBTU=2-(1H-benzotriazol-1-yl)-1,1,3,3tetramethyluronium tetrafluoroborate.

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^a Isolated yield.

EDCI (2), *i*-Pr₂NEt (4), HOBt (1)

EDCI (2), *i*-Pe₂NEt (4), HOAt (1)

TBTU (2), DBU (4)

examined (Table 2).^{25,26} Tanabe's esterification²⁵ was carried out using 2 equiv of cinnamic acid (**9**). The yield of the desired ester 10a was low (31%) (Table 2, entry 1). To enhance the nucleophilicity of alcohol 4, i-Pr₂NEt was added to give a yield of 60%.^{27,28} As a further optimization, we found that the use of 4 equiv of TsCl at 40 °C in C₂H₄Cl₂ in the presence of MS 4 Å gave **10a** in 81% yield (Table 2, entry 3, method A). Other esterification methods were examined,²⁶ but the yields were lower than our improved TsCl/NMI/i-Pr2NEt-mediated esterification (Table 2, entries 4-8).

Next, 2-naphthoic acid (11) was tested (Table 3, entry 1, method A). As expected, the desired ester **14a** was obtained in high yield (86%). However, 2-acylimidazole 15, unexpectedly was obtained as a byproduct of the reaction in 35% yield (based on 11) due to Friedel–Crafts-type C-acylation.²⁹ In the absence of i-Pr₂NEt, **15** was not observed. To prevent the generation of an acceptor of Cacylation, NMI was added at the final step. As a result, the reaction using 1.5 equiv of **11** at room temperature was carried out to give the combined yield of 91% without 15 (Table 3, entry 2, method B). The esterification of cinnamic acid (9) was re-examined using method B (Table 3, entry 3), and it was found that method B was superior to method A (Table 2, entry 3 vs Table 3, entry 3).



TsCl/NMI-mediated esterification between PMB quinate 4 and carboxylic acids (9 and **11–13**)



Method A: (1) RCO₂H/TsCl/NMI/i-Pr₂NEt=1:2:3:3; (2) 4

Method B: (1) RCO₂H/TsCl/i-Pr₂NEt=1:2:3; (2) 4; (3) NMI (6 equiv).

Method C: (1) RCO₂H/TsCl/NMI=1:2:3; (2) 4.

Isolated vield.

^b Compound **15** is 1-methyl-2-naphthoylimidazole. Yield is based on **11**.

With the reaction condition of method B in hand, the esterification of 12 and 13 was examined (Table 3, entries 4-6). In the case of 12 (1.1 equiv), the yield was 94%. However, the esterification of the aliphatic carboxylic acid 13 gave a moderate yield of 17 (65%) (Table 3, entry 5), whereas the corresponding esterification in the absence of *i*-Pr₂NEt afforded a higher yield (72%) (Table 3, entry 6). Based on these observations, *i*-Pr₂NEt was effective only for the esterification of aromatic carboxylic acids.

DMF

DMF

DMF

4

5

19

b Method A: (1) RCO₂H/TsCl/NMI/i-Pr₂NEt=1:2:3:;, (2) 4.

^c The corresponding 1,5-O-diacylquinate **10b** was obtained in 4% yield.

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2.5. Deprotection of 5-O-acylquinic acids (10a, 14a, 16a, and 17)

With PMB-protected 5-acylquinates (10a, 14a, 16a, and 17) in hand, we examined mild deprotection reactions (TFA/PhOH,¹⁶ TfOH/p-ToISO₂NH₂/dioxane.¹⁷ CBr₄/MeOH,¹⁸ CeCl₃·7H₂O/Nal/ CH₃CN,¹⁹ and CAN/H₂O/CH₃CN²⁰). However, the desired deprotection products were not obtained cleanly in any case. Then, TFAcatalyzed deprotection was examined. According to the literature,¹⁵ the treatment of **10a** with 10% TFA in CH₂Cl₂ at 25 °C for 2 h was conducted. This deprotection afforded mainly 18 as observed by HPLC analysis. Furthermore, this reaction proceeded cleanly even using 5% TFA in CH₂Cl₂ at 25 °C for 2 h. As a further optimization, the treatment of **10a** with 5% TFA in CH₂Cl₂ at 0 °C for 13 h afforded 18 in 87% yield (Table 4, entry 1). The deprotection of 14a, 16a, and 17 under the same TFA-catalyzed conditions gave the corresponding 5-O-acylquinates (19, 20, and 21) in high yields (Table 4, entries 2-4). These deprotection yields were quite improved compared to our previous results.^{8b,c}

Table 4

Global deprotection of 5-O-acyl PMB quinate (10a, 14a, 16a, and 17) using TFA



| Entry | 5-Acyl PMB quinate | Product | Yield ^a (%) |
|-------|--------------------|---------|------------------------|
| 1 | 10a | 18 | 87 |
| 2 | 14a | 19 | 80 |
| 3 | 16a | 20 | 80 |
| 4 | 17 | 21 | 79 |

^a Isolated yield.

2.6. Synthesis of 5-O-caffeoylquinic acid (1) and 5-O-p-coumaroylquinic acid (2)

Having established both the esterification for the sterically hindered 5-OH group and the condition for the final deprotection step, the synthesis of 5-O-caffeoylquinic acid (1) and 5-O-*p*-coumaroylquinic acid (2) was carried out. The MOM group is well known to be removed easily by TFA.^{21a,c,f} Therefore, the MOM group was used for the protection of the phenolic hydroxyl group. MOMprotected carboxylic acids **28** and **29** were prepared from commercially available **22** and **23**, respectively (Scheme 4). Formation of the methyl ester of **24** in the presence of Dowex H⁺ in MeOH followed by MOM etherification yielded **26**. Subsequent hydrolysis by KOH furnished the desired **28** in high yield. Additionally, carboxylic acid **29** was prepared in a similar manner (Scheme 4).



The esterifications of PMB quinate **4** with carboxylic acids **28** and **29** were performed (Table 5) by using our method B. Although the esterification of **29** needed 6 h, both reactions at room temperature gave **30a** and **31a** in 86% and 83% yields, respectively.

Table 5





^a Isolated yield.

The deprotection of 30a and 31a using the above optimized conditions (5% TFA in CH2Cl2 for 13 h at 0 °C) was conducted. Unexpectedly, these deprotections gave only trace amounts of the desired products. Even increasing the concentration of TFA to 10% afforded 1 and 2 in 39% and 34% yields, respectively (Table 6, entries 1 and 2). To clarify the low yield of the deprotection, the reactions of 30a and 31a were analyzed by NMR, HPLC, and ESI-Q-TOF-MS. The NMR and HPLC profiles of the crude reaction mixtures of 30a and **31a** were sluggish due to having many unidentified byproducts compared to that of 10a. ESI-Q-TOF-MS analysis revealed that the MOM groups remained at the last stage accompanied with undesired decomposition. This might have arisen from the formaldehyde derived from the MOM group.³⁰ To overcome these problems, several protecting groups for the phenolic hydroxyl moiety, such as PMB³¹ and 3,4-DMB (3,4-dimethoxybenzyl), were examined using TFA-catalyzed deprotection conditions (10% TFA in CH₂Cl₂ at 0 °C). However, the yield of these reactions could not be improved.

Table 6

Global deprotection of 5-O-acyl PMB quinates (30a and 31a)

| R | HO, CO ₂ PMB | TFA or BCl₃/C ₆ HMe₅ ➤ R | но, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , | СО ₂ Н ОН | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---|---|-------------------------|--|
| Entry | 5-Acyl PMB quinate | Reaction conditions | Product | Yield ^a (%) | |
| 1 | 30a | 10% TFA, 0 °C, 13 h | 2 | 34 | |
| 2 | 31a | 10% TFA, 0 °C, 13 h | 1 | 39 | |
| 3 ^b | 30a | BCl_3/C_6HMe_5 , -40 to 0°C, 5 h | 2 | 73 | |
| 4 ^b | 31a | $BCl_3/C_6HMe_5\text{,}$ -40 to $0^\circ\text{C}\text{,}$ 3 h | 1 | 69 | |
| ^a Icolated viold | | | | | |

^a Isolated yield.

 $^{\rm b}~$ BCl_3 of 10 equiv was used. C₆HMe₅ (12.5 equiv).

Our attention turned to Lewis acid deprotection conditions. BCl₃ is a promising deprotection reagent for MOM³² and benzyl^{33,34} groups. Thus, the deprotection reaction of **31a** using BCl₃ in CH₂Cl₂ was monitored by HPLC. This gave a simple chromatogram in which **1** was a major peak with some unidentified peaks. To prevent the side reactions by scavenging electrophiles derived from the protecting groups, pentamethylbenzene (C₆HMe₅) as a cation scavenger was added.³⁴

In this reaction at -78 °C, the MOM and PMB groups were removed immediately, and the bisacetal group was cleaved gradually (Fig. 2B). During the deprotection, the intermediates **32** and **33** were detected by the negative ESI-Q-TOF-MS (for **32**: calcd for C₂₂H₂₇O₁₁ [M–H]⁻ 467.16, found 467.15, for **33**: calcd for C₂₁H₂₅O₁₁



(A) The starting material **31a**. (B) The reaction mixture at -78 °C for 3 h. (C) The reaction mixture at -40 to 0 °C for 1 h. (D) The reaction mixture at -40 to 0 °C for 3 h.

Fig. 2. HPLC chromatogram of the global deprotection reaction of 31a using a combination of BCl_3 and $C_6 HMe_5$ in $CH_2 Cl_2.$

 $[M-H]^-$ 453.14, found 453.15). When the reaction temperature was increased from -40 to 0 °C for 1 h, **33** and the desired **1** were detected (Fig. 2C). Eventually, this reaction was completed after 3 h (Fig. 2D). To our delight, the deprotection of **31a** with BCl₃/C₆HMe₅ in CH₂Cl₂ gave pure 5-O-caffeoylquinic acid (1) in 69% yield by ODS HPLC (Table 6, entry 4). The deprotection of **30a** under the same BCl₃/C₆HMe₅-catalyzed conditions gave 5-O-p-coumaroylquinic acid (**2**) in 73% yield (Table 6, entry 3).

3. Conclusion

In summary, an efficient and versatile synthesis of 5-O-acylquinic acids was developed using PMB quinate **4** as a key intermediate. The overall yields were 45–60% in seven steps from (–)-quinic acid (**6**). The key to the success of these syntheses was the introduction of PMB and MOM groups, and their deprotection by TFA and BCl₃/C₆HMe₅. In addition, the use of *i*-Pr₂NEt was found to accelerate the TsCl/NMI-mediated esterification between the sterically hindered axial alcohol **4** and the aromatic carboxylic acids. Further applications of our novel synthetic route using PMB quinate **4** for the synthesis of quinic acid derivatives are being developed in our group.

4. Experimental section

4.1. General

Melting points (mp) were determined on a Yanaco MP-3 instrument and are uncorrected. Optical rotations were recorded on a JASCO P-1010-GT polarimeter. Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on a JASCO FT/IR 6100 spectrometer. UV/VIS spectra were recorded on a JASCO V560 spectrometer. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a JEOL JNM A400, a JNM ECA-600, and a JNM A600 spectrometer. Chemical shifts for ¹H NMR are reported in parts per million (ppm) downfield from tetramethylsilane (TMS) and are referenced to residual solvent signals (CDCl₃: δ 7.26 ppm, CD₃OD: δ 3.31 ppm, DMSO-*d*₆: δ 2.49 ppm) or TMS (δ 0.00 ppm) as an internal reference. Chemical shifts for ¹³C NMR were reported in the scale relative to the NMR solvent (CDCl₃: δ 77.0 ppm, CD₃OD: δ 49.0 ppm, DMSO-*d*₆: δ 39.5 ppm) as an internal reference. Highresolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a JEOL JMS-700 (FAB) and Bruker micrOTOF-QII (ESI) spectrometer. Analytical HPLC was conducted by our method^{8b,35} with an ODS column (Develosil ODS-HG-5, 4.6 mm $\phi \times 250$ mm, Nomura Chemical) with some modifications. The chromatography was performed by eluting at 1.0 mL/min with a linear gradient from 10% to 90% CH₃CN in H₂O containing 0.5% TFA for 30 min at 40 °C. Preparative ODS-HPLC was performed by using a column (Develosil ODS-HG-5 20 mm $\phi \times 250$ mm. Nomura Chemical) with isocratic elution with 5% CH₃CN in H₂O containing 0.5% TFA at 40 °C.^{8b,35} Flash column chromatography was performed on Fuji Silysia silica gel (PSQ 60B). Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on Merck precoated analytical plates, 0.25 mm thick, silica gel 60 F₂₅₄. Preparative TLC separations were performed on Merck analytical plates (0.50 mm thick) precoated with silica gel 60 F₂₅₄. All commercially available reagents and solvents were used directly without further purification. All nonaqueous reactions were carried out under an argon atmosphere.

4.2. Methyl (2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-0,4-0-(2',3'-dimethoxybutane-2',3'-diyl)quinate (3)

To a solution of (-)-quinic acid (6) (1.0 g, 5.2 mmol), methyl orthoformate (2.8 mL, 26.0 mmol), and 2,3-butandione (0.9 mL, 10.4 mmol) in MeOH (15 mL) was added CSA (12 mg, 5.2 mmol) at room temperature and the resulting mixture was stirred for 45 h at

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85 °C. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt=1:4) to give **3** as a white solid (1.495 g, 90%). Mp: 137–138 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ +136.0 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 3442, 2952, 1727, 1451, 1279, 1243, 1133, 1042, 911 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 1.91 (t, *J*=12.5 Hz, 1H), 2.03 (dd, *J*=15.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.09 (ddd, *J*=12.5, 4.8, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.18 (td, *J*=14.8, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 3.26 (s, 3H), 3.59 (dd, *J*=10.5, 3.0, Hz, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 4.18 (q, *J*=3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (ddd, *J*=12.5, 10.5 4.8 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.7, 17.8, 37.4, 38.7, 47.9, 52.9, 62.4, 69.2, 72.8, 75.8, 99.8, 100.4, 174.3; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₁₄H₂₄O₈Na [M+Na]⁺ 343.1369, found 343.1364.

4.3. Methyl (2'*S*,3'*S*)-5-*O*-*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl-3-*O*,4-*O*-(2',3'-dimethoxybutane-2',3'-diyl)quinate (7)

To a solution of methyl ester 3 (5.125 g, 16.0 mmol) and imidazole (2.178 g, 32.0 mmol) in DMF (40 mL) was added TBSCl (4.823 g, 32.0 mmol) at room temperature. After stirring for 25 h at this temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl. The crude products were extracted with AcOEt. The combined extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (15% AcOEt in hexane) to give 7 as a white solid (6.842 g, 98%). Mp: 110–111 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ +102.0 (*c* 0.5, CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 3458, 2956, 1736, 1450, 1378, 1248, 1132, 1040, 978, 890, 781 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.12 (s, 3H), 0.18 (s, 3H), 0.91 (s, 9H), 1.27 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.87 (t, J=12.5 Hz, 1H), 2.04–2.11 (m, 2H), 2.19 (ddd, *J*=12.5, 4.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 3.49 (dd, *J*=10.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 4.24-4.29 (m, 2H), 4.95 (s, H, OH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.6, 17.8, 18.1, 25.7, 38.4, 39.4, 47.6, 47.8, 52.6, 62.4, 70.9, 72.8, 76.2, 99.4, 99.9, 173.7; HRMS (FAB) calcd for $C_{20}H_{38}O_8SiNa$ [M+Na]⁺ 457.2234, found 457.2223.

4.4. 4-Methoxybenzyl (2'*S*,3'*S*)-5-*O*-*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl-3-*O*,4-*O*-(2',3'-dimethoxybutane-2',3'-diyl)quinate (8)

To a solution of 7 (3.872 g, 8.9 mmol) in THF (12 mL) was added aqueous KOH (12 mL, 1.0 M) at room temperature. After stirring for 75 min at this temperature, the reaction mixture was neutralized with 0.5 M NaHSO₄ and then the crude products were extracted with AcOEt. The combined extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give a crude carboxylic acid. The crude product was used in the next step without further purification. To a solution of the crude carboxylic acid and Cs₂CO₃ (4.354 g, 13.4 mmol) in DMF (20 mL) was added PMBCl (1.8 mL, 13.4 mmol) at room temperature. After stirring for 2 h at 80 °C, the reaction mixture was guenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl. The crude products were extracted with AcOEt. The combined extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (15% AcOEt in hexane) to give 8 as a white solid (4.473 mg, 93%). Mp: 71–72 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ +95.6 (c 0.2, CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 3437, 2955, 1748, 1610, 1515, 1376, 1262, 1131, 984, 846 cm $^{-1};\,^{1}$ H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 0.11 (s, 3H), 0.16 (s, 3H), 0.90 (s, 9H), 1.26 (s, 3H), 1.28 (s, 3H), 1.83 (t, J=12.5 Hz, 1H), 2.02-2.09 (m, 2H), 2.17 (ddd, *J*=12.5, 4.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 3.46 (dd, J=10.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 4.23 (q, J=3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (ddd, *J*=12.5, 10.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 4.91 (s, 1H, OH), 5.08 (d, *J*=12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.15 (d, *J*=12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H); $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 17.6, 17.8, 18.1, 25.7, 38.3, 39.3, 47.6, 47.7, 55.3, 62.5, 66.8, 70.9, 72.8, 76.1, 99.4, 99.9, 113.9, 127.8, 130.1, 159.7, 172.9; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₂₇H₄₄O₉SiNa [M+Na]⁺ 563.2652, found 563.2648.

4.5. 4-Methoxybenzyl (2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-0,4-0-(2',3'-dimethoxybutane-2',3'-diyl)quinate (4)

To a solution of 8 (8.057 g, 14.9 mmol) in a mixture of THF (35 mL) and AcOH (3.4 mL) was added TBAF (14.9 mL, 1.0 M in THF) at room temperature. After stirring for 13 h at this temperature, the reaction mixture was guenched with saturated agueous NaHCO₃. The crude products were extracted with AcOEt. The combined extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (50% AcOEt in hexane) to give 4 as a white solid (6.108 g, 96%). Using EtOAc/hexane as solvent, alcohol 4 could be crystallized to afford crystal suitable for X-ray analysis. Mp: $91-92 \circ C$; $[\alpha]_{D}^{23} + 96.6 (c 1.0, CHCl_3)$; IR (KBr) 3492, 2956, 1740, 1613, 1515, 1383, 1249, 1130, 1032 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 1.91 (t, J=12.5 Hz, 1H), 2.02 (dd, J=14.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.06 (ddd, *J*=12.5, 4.8, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.15 (dt, *J*=14.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 3.56 (dd, J=10.2, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 4.15 (q, J=3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (ddd, J=12.5, 10.2, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 5.11 (d, J=12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, J=12.0 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, J=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (d, J=8.5 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.7, 17.8, 37.5, 38.5, 47.9, 55.3, 62.5, 67.5, 69.1, 72.8, 75.7, 99.7, 100.3, 114.0, 127.2, 130.1, 159.9, 173.9; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₂₁H₃₀O₉Na [M+Na]⁺ 449.1788, found 449.1778.

4.6. 4-Methoxybenzyl (2'*S*,3'*S*)-5-*O*-cinnamoyl-3-0,4-*O*-(2',3'dimethoxybutane-2',3'-diyl)quinate (10a) and 4-methoxybenzyl (2'*S*,3'*S*)-1,5-*O*-dicinnamoyl-3-0,4-*O*-(2',3'-dimethoxybutane-2',3'-diyl)quinate (10b) (method A, Table 2, entry 3)

To a solution of carboxylic acid **9** (207 mg, 1.4 mmol), TsCl (534 mg, 2.8 mmol), *i*-Pr₂NEt (0.73 mL, 4.2 mmol), and MS 4 Å (ca. 2.1 g) in dichloroethane (5 mL) was added NMI (0.33 mL, 4.2 mmol) at room temperature and the resulting mixture was stirred for 30 min at this temperature. To the reaction mixture was added a solution of alcohol **4** (300 mg, 0.7 mmol) in dichloroethane (5 mL) at room temperature. After stirring for 2 h at 40 °C, the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl. The crude products were extracted with AcOEt. The combined extracts were washed with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl. The crude products were subject was concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (30% AcOEt in hexane) to give **10a** (318 mg, 81%) and **10b** (19 mg, 4%).

4.6.1. *Compound* **10a**. White solid; mp: 69–70 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{27}$ +59.6 (*c* 0.5, CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 3359, 3260, 2951, 2835, 1714, 1515, 1308, 1249, 1131, 1036 cm⁻¹; UV (CHCl₃) λ_{max}/nm (ε), 281 (17,000); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.28 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.97–2.03 (m, 2H), 2.09 (dd, *J*=15.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.24 (td, *J*=15.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 3.30 (s, 3H), 3.69 (dd, *J*=10.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 4.43 (td, *J*=10.0, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (d, *J*=12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.15 (d, *J*=12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (q, *J*=3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, *J*=16.2 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, *J*=8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.37–7.40 (m, 3H), 7.53–7.54 (m, 2H), 7.71 (d, *J*=16.2 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.6, 17.9, 36.5, 38.7, 47.9, 48.0, 55.3, 62.9, 67.9, 69.8, 71.2, 74.5, 99.6, 100.1, 114.1, 118.5, 127.0, 128.2, 128.8, 130.2, 130.3, 134.6, 145.1, 160.0, 166.6, 175.0; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₃₀H₃₆O₁₀Na [M+Na]⁺ 579.2206, found 576.2216.

4.6.2. Compound **10b**. Colorless amorphous; $[\alpha]_D^{24} + 45.9$ (*c* 0.27, CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 2948, 2836, 1716, 1637, 1517, 1450, 1246, 1170, 1108, 1036, 768 cm⁻¹; UV (CHCl₃) λ_{max}/nm (ε), 276 (32,000); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.27 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 3H), 1.92 (dd, *J*=13.0, 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.24 (dd, *J*=16.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.50 (ddd, *J*=13.0, 4.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (td, *J*=16.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (s, 3H), 3.34 (s, 3H),

3.72 (dd, *J*=10.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 4.43 (ddd, *J*=12.0, 10.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (d, *J*=12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (d, *J*=12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.44 (q, *J*=3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.32 (d, *J*=16.5 Hz, 1H), 6.36 (d, *J*=16.5 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (t, *J*=7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.20–7.26 (m, 5H), 7.25 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.31–7.36 (m, 3H), 7.63 (d, *J*=16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, *J*=16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.6, 17.8, 32.6, 36.7, 47.9, 48.0, 55.2, 62.8, 67.4, 68.8, 70.9, 79.7, 99.8, 100.1, 114.0, 117.6, 118.3, 127.4, 127.9, 128.1, 128.7, 128.9, 130.0, 130.2, 130.4, 133.9, 134.2, 145.0, 145.8, 159.7, 165.1, 166.2, 170.5; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₃₉H₄₂O₁₁Na [M+Na]⁺ 709.2625, found 709.2623.

4.7. Compounds 10a and 10b (method B, Table 3, entry 3)

To a solution of cinnamic acid **9** (74 mg, 0.5 mmol), TsCl (191 mg, 1.0 mmol), and MS 4 Å (ca. 0.8 g) in dichloroethane (1.5 mL) was added *i*-Pr₂NEt (262 μ L, 1.5 mmol) at room temperature and the resulting mixture was stirred for 30 min at this temperature. To the reaction mixture was added a solution of al-cohol **4** (107 mg, 0.25 mmol) in dichloroethane (1.8 mL) and subsequently NMI (120 μ L, 1.5 mmol) was added at room temperature. After stirring for 2 h at 40 °C, the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl. The crude products were extracted with AcOEt. The combined extracts were washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃, and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The solvent was concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (30% AcOEt in hexane) to give **10a** (122 mg, 87%) and **10b** (9 mg, 5%), respectively.

4.8. 4-Methoxybenzyl (2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-0,4-0-(2',3'-dimethox-ybutane-2',3'-diyl)-5-0-naphthoylquinate (14a) and 1-methyl-2-naphthoylimidazole (15)

According to the procedure described for **10a** (method A, Table 2, entry 3), **11** (241 mg, 1.41 mmol) was esterified with **4** (300 mg, 0.7 mmol) to afford **14a** (352 mg, 86%) and **15** (115 mg, 35% based on **11**), respectively (solvent used for flash column chromatography: 20–30% AcOEt in hexane).

4.8.1. Compound **14a**. Colorless amorphous; $[\alpha]_{D}^{23}$ +62.1 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 3487, 2952, 2837, 1715, 1515, 1284, 1233, 1131 cm⁻¹; UV (CHCl₃) λ_{max}/nm (ε), 246 (27,000); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.23 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 3H), 2.06 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 2.19 (dd, *J*=15.4, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (brd, *J*=15.4 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 3.35 (s, 3H), 3.76 (dd, *J*=10.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 4.63 (td, *J*=10.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 5.11 (d, *J*=12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, *J*=12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.51 (q, *J*=3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, *J*=7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.27 (d, *J*=7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (t, *J*=8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (t, *J*=8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.10 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.66 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.6, 17.8, 36.7, 38.8, 48.0, 55.3, 62.9, 68.0, 70.3, 71.5, 74.5, 99.6, 100.0, 114.1, 125.5, 126.4, 127.0, 127.7, 128.0, 128.1, 129.4, 130.2, 131.5, 132.6, 135.5, 160.0, 166.4, 175.1; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₃₂H₃₆O₁₀Na [M+Na]⁺ 603.2206, found 603.2198.

4.8.2. Compound **15**. Pale yellow oil; IR (neat) 3058, 2957, 1638, 1466, 1401, 1274, 1236, 1162, 1118, 903, 781 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.12 (s, 3H), 7.14 (s, 1H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 7.53 (ddd, *J*=8.3, 7.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (ddd, *J*=8.3, 7.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 1H), 8.27 (dd, *J*=8.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.99 (br s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 36.4, 125.9, 126.4, 126.7, 127.6, 127.8, 128.3, 129.3, 129.9, 132.4, 133.3, 134.5, 135.4, 143.3, 183.9; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₅H₁₃N₂O [M+H]⁺ 237.1022, found 237.1034.

4.9. Compound 14a and 4-methoxybenzyl (2',3'S)-3-0,4-0-(2',3'-dimethoxybutane-2',3'-diyl)-1-O-naphthoylquinate (14b)

According to the procedure described for **10a** (method B, Table **3**, entry 3), **11** (65 mg, 0.376 mmol) was esterified with **4** (107 mg, 0.25 mmol) to afford **14a** (122 mg, 84%) and **14b** (13 mg, 7%), respectively (solvent used for flash column chromatography: 20–30% AcOEt in hexane).

4.9.1. Compound **14b**. White solid; mp: 152–154 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +97.0 (c 0.2, CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 2961, 2834, 1715, 1614, 1516, 1466, 1305, 1198, 1112, 930, 825 cm⁻¹; UV (CHCl₃) $\lambda_{max}/nm(\epsilon)$, 247 (26,000); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.25 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 3H), 2.13 (dd, *J*=13.5, 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (dd, *J*=16.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 2.71 (td, *J*=13.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 3.21 (td, J=16.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (s, 3H), 3.40 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.82 (dd, *J*=10.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (ddd, *J*=12.0, 10.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 5.11 (d, J=12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, J=12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.56 (q, J=3.5 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, J=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.11-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.22 (d, J=8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.26-7.29 (m, 3H), 7.27 (d, J=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, J=8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (ddd, J=8.0, 6.3, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.26–7.29 (m, 3H), 7.42 (td, J=8.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (t, J=8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (dd, J=8.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, *J*=8.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (s, 1H), 8.35 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.6, 17.8, 33.3, 36.5, 47.9, 48.1, 55.2, 62.7, 67.4, 70.0, 71.3, 80.3, 99.8, 100.0, 113.9, 124.7, 125.0, 126.1, 126.5, 127.3, 127.4, 127.6, 127.7, 127.8, 128.0, 128.9, 130.1, 131.0, 131.1, 131.9, 132.1, 135.1, 135.2, 159.7, 165.2, 166.4, 170.5; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₄₃H₄₂O₁₁Na [M+Na]⁺ 757.2625, found 757.2601.

4.10. 4-Methoxybenzyl (2'*S*,3'*S*)-5-O-benzoyl-3-O,4-O-(2',3'-dimethoxybutane-2',3'-diyl)quinate (16a) and 4-methoxybenzyl (2'*S*,3'*S*)-1,5-O-dibenzoyl-3-O,4-O-(2',3'-dimethoxybutane-2',3'-diyl)quinate (16b)

According to the procedure described for **10a** (method B, Table **3**, entry 3), **12** (60 mg, 0.495 mmol) was esterified with **4** (192 mg, 0.45 mmol) to afford **16a** (225 mg, 94%) and **16b** (9 mg, 3%), respectively (solvent used for flash column chromatography: 20–30% AcOEt in hexane).

4.10.1. Compound **16a**. Colorless amorphous; $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$ +31.2 (*c* 0.5, CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 3507, 2951, 2834, 1717, 1612, 1516, 1452, 1374, 1282, 1127, 714 cm⁻¹; UV (CHCl₃) λ_{max}/nm (ε), 241 (9400); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.22 (s, 3H), 1.28 (s, 3H), 2.02 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 2.14 (dd, *J*=15.4, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (td, *J*=15.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.20 (br s, 1H, OH), 3.25 (s, 3H), 3.30 (s, 3H), 3.72 (dd, *J*=10.2, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 4.54 (td, *J*=10.2, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.41–7.46 (m, 2H), 7.52–7.57 (m, 1H), 8.08 (dd, *J*=8.6, 1.5 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.6, 17.8, 36.7, 38.7, 47.9, 48.0, 55.3, 62.8, 67.9, 70.1, 71.4, 74.5, 99.5, 100.0, 114.1, 127.0, 128.3, 129.9, 130.2, 130.8, 132.8, 160.0, 166.2, 175.1; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₂₈H₃₄O₁₀Na [M+Na]⁺ 553.2050, found 553.2039.

4.10.2. Compound **16b**. Colorless amorphous; $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ +56.3 (*c* 0.5, CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 2949, 2835, 1719, 1517, 1282, 1126, 710 cm⁻¹; UV (CHCl₃) $\lambda_{max}/nm(\epsilon)$, 241 (7400); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.21 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 3H), 2.07 (dd, *J*=13.0, 12.5 Hz, 1H), 2.31 (dd, *J*=16.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (td, *J*=13.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 3.04 (td, *J*=16.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (s, 3H), 3.28 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.76 (dd, *J*=10.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (ddd, *J*=13.0, 10.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (d, *J*=12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (d, *J*=12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.54 (q, *J*=3.5 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (d, *J*=8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (t, *J*=8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (t, *J*=8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, *J*=8.0, 1.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.5, 17.7, 33.6, 36.3, 47.8, 48.0, 55.2, 62.6, 67.4, 69.6, 71.2, 80.3, 99.7, 100.0, 100.6, 113.9, 127.3, 128.0, 128.1

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129.4, 129.7, 130.1, 130.4, 132.5, 133.0, 159.7, 165.0, 166.1, 170.4; HRMS (FAB) calcd for $C_{35}H_{38}O_{11}Na\ [M+Na]^+$ 657.2312, found 657.2312.

4.11. 4-Methoxybenzyl (2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-0,4-0-(2',3'-dimethoxybutane-2',3'-diyl)-5-0-phenylethylcarbonylquinate (17) (method C, Table 3, entry 6)

To a solution of carboxylic acid 13 (75 mg, 0.5 mmol), TsCl (191 mg, 1.0 mmol), and MS 4 Å (ca. 0.8 g) in dichloroethane (1.5 mL) was added NMI (0.12 mL, 1.5 mmol) at room temperature and the resulting mixture was stirred for 30 min at this temperature. To the reaction mixture was added a solution of alcohol 4 (107 mg, 0.25 mmol) in dichloroethane (1.5 mL) at room temperature. After stirring for 2 h at 40 °C, the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl. The crude products were extracted with AcOEt. The combined extracts were washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃, and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. The solvent was concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (25% AcOEt in hexane) to give **17** (100 mg, 72%) as a colorless amorphous. $[\alpha]_D^{26}$ +66.5 (c 0.5, CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 3523, 2952, 2835, 1732, 1615, 1518, 1452, 1376, 1245, 1131, 1032 cm⁻¹; UV (CHCl₃) λ_{max}/nm (ϵ), 240 (6000); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.27 (s, 3H), 1.28 (s, 3H), 1.92–1.99 (m, 2H), 2.03 (dd, J=15.4, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.09 (td, J=15.4, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (ddd, J=15.5, 8.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 2.72 (ddd, J=15.5, 8.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 2.97–3.00 (m, 2H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 3.63 (dd, J=10.3, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 4.34 (td, J=10.3, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (d, J=12.0 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (d, J=12.0, 1H), 5.25 (q, J=3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, J=8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.16–7.29 (m, 7H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.6, 17.8, 30.9, 36.3, 36.4, 38.5, 47.9, 55.3, 62.6, 67.8, 69.5, 71.1, 74.4, 99.5, 100.0, 114.1, 126.1, 127.0, 128.3, 128.4, 130.2, 140.8, 159.9, 172.5, 174.9; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₃₀H₃₈O₁₀Na [M+Na]⁺ 581.2363, found 581.2351.

4.12. Methyl (E)-p-coumarate (24)

To a solution of *p*-coumaric acid **22** (3.0 g, 18.3 mmol) in MeOH (40 mL) was added Dowex 50W-X8 (2.4 g) at room temperature and the resulting mixture was refluxed for 90 h. After the Dowex 50W-X8 was filtered, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (30% AcOEt in hexane) to give a methyl ester with trace impurities. Recrystallization from CHCl₃ gave **24** (2.91 g, 89%) as a white solid in a pure form. Mp: 130–132 °C; IR (KBr) 3384, 2952, 1689, 1634, 1602, 1517, 1435, 1284, 1200, 986, 834 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.80 (s, 3H), 5.33 (s, 1H; OH), 6.30 (d, *J*=16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (d, *J*=16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 51.7, 115.1, 115.9, 127.1, 130.0, 144.8, 157.8, 168.1; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₁₀H₁₁O₃ [M+H]⁺ 179.0708, found 179.0700.

4.13. Methyl (*E*)-caffeate (25)

To a solution of caffeic acid **23** (3.00 g, 16.7 mmol) in MeOH (40 mL) was added Dowex 50W-X8 (2.4 g) at room temperature and the resulting mixture was refluxed for 52 h. After filtration, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (50% AcOEt in hexane) to give **25** as a white solid (3.09 g, 96%). Mp: 148–150 °C; IR (KBr) 3477, 3091, 2952, 1677, 1606, 1445, 1308, 1281, 1243, 1191, 1113, 1045, 971, 864 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 3.68 (s, 3H), 6.26 (d, *J*=16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (d, *J*=8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (dd, *J*=8.4, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, *J*=2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, *J*=16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆) δ 51.2, 113.7, 114.8, 115.7, 121.4, 125.4, 145.1,

145.5, 148.4, 166.9; HRMS (FAB) calcd for $C_{10}H_{10}O_4$ [M+H]⁺ 194.0579, found 194.0578.

4.14. Methyl (E)-4-O-methoxymethyl-p-coumarate (26)

To a solution of methyl ester **24** (2.91 g, 16.3 mmol) and *i*-Pr₂NEt (5.7 mL, 49.0 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (60 mL) was added MOMCl (3.7 mL, 49.0 mmol) at room temperature and the mixture was stirred for 21 h at this temperature. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl. The crude products were extracted with AcOEt. The combined extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (10% AcOEt in hexane) to give **26** as a colorless oil (3.52 g, 97%). IR (neat) 2952, 2828, 1791, 1636, 1604, 1510, 1436, 1315, 1242, 1170, 1081, 992, 831 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.45 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 5.20 (s, 2H), 6.32 (d, *J*=16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 51.6, 56.1, 94.2, 115.8, 116.5, 128.2, 129.6, 144.4, 159.0, 167.7; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₁₂H₁₅O₄ [M+H]⁺ 223.0970, found 223.0978.

4.15. Methyl (E)-3,4-di-O-methoxymethylcaffeate (27)

To a solution of methyl ester 25 (3.09 g, 15.9 mmol) and *i*-Pr₂NEt (13.9 mL, 79.6 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (60 mL) was added MOMCI (6.1 mL, 79.6 mmol) at room temperature and the mixture was stirred for 79 h at this temperature. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl. The crude products were extracted with AcOEt. The combined extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (30% AcOEt in hexane) to give 27 as a white solid (4.3 g, 96%). Mp: 40-41 °C; IR (KBr) 2952, 2837, 1715, 1635, 1599, 1509, 1435, 1315, 1257, 1173, 1130, 1080, 1011, 981 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.51 (s, 3H), 3.53 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 5.25 (s, 2H), 5.26 (s, 2H), 6.32 (d, J=16.0, 1H), 7.13-7.16 (m, 2H), 7.36 (d, J=1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, J=16.0, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) § 51.6, 56.2, 56.3, 95.1, 95.6, 115.7, 116.2, 116.4, 123.4, 128.9, 144.4, 147.4, 149.2, 167.5; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₁₄H₁₈O₆ [M+H]⁺ 282.1103, found 282.1100.

4.16. (E)-4-O-Methoxymethyl-p-coumaric acid (28)

To a solution of methyl ester **26** (3.49 g, 15.7 mmol) in THF (20 mL) was added aqueous KOH (37.5 mL, 1.0 M) at room temperature. After stirring for 21 h at room temperature, the reaction mixture was neutralized with aqueous NaHSO₄ (0.5 M) and then the product was extracted with AcOEt. The combined extracts were dried over anhydrous MgSO₄. After removal of the solvent in vacuo, the residue was a pure form of **28** (3.21 g, 98%) as a white solid. Mp: 149–150 °C; IR (KBr) 2955, 2825, 2590, 1687, 1623, 1603, 1511, 1430, 1315, 1238, 1176, 1156, 1077, 1004, 829 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.49 (s, 3H), 5.21 (s, 2H), 6.34 (d, *J*=16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.75 (d, *J*=16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 56.2, 94.2, 115.0, 116.5, 127.8, 130.0, 146.6, 159.3, 171.7; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₁₁H₁₃O₄ [M+H]⁺ 209.0814, found 209.0807.

4.17. (E)-3,4-Di-O-methoxymethylcaffeic acid (29)

To a solution of methyl ester methyl ester **27** (4.30 g, 15.2 mmol) in THF (20 mL) was added aqueous KOH (40 mL, 1.0 M) at room temperature. After stirring for 21 h at room temperature, the reaction mixture was neutralized with aqueous NaHSO₄ (0.5 M) and then the product was extracted with AcOEt. The combined extracts were dried over anhydrous MgSO₄. After removal of the solvent in vacuo, the residue was a pure form of **29** (4.09 g, 99%) as a white

solid. Mp: 120–121.5 °C; IR (KBr) 2961, 2825, 2600, 1669, 1623, 1598, 1510, 1434, 1313, 1253, 1158, 1134, 1081, 1024, 992, 915 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.52 (s, 3H), 3.54 (s, 3H), 5.27 (s, 2H), 5.28 (s, 2H), 6.34 (d, *J*=15.6, 1H), 7.17 (s, 2H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J*=15.6 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 56.3, 56.4, 95.1, 95.5, 115.6, 115.9, 116.2, 123.8, 128.5, 146.6, 147.4, 149.6, 171.5; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₁₃H₁₆O₆ [M+H]⁺ 268.0947, found 268.0948.

4.18. 4-Methoxybenzyl (2'S,3'S)-3-0,4-0-(2',3'-dimethox-ybutane-2',3'-diyl)-5-0-(4''-0-methoxymethyl-*p*-coumaroyl) quinate (30a) and 4-methoxybenzyl (2'S,3'S) -3-0,4-0-(2',3'-dimethoxybutane-2',3'-diyl)-1-0-(4''-0-methoxymethyl-*p*-coumaroyl)quinate (30b)

According to the procedure described for **10a** (method B, Table 3, entry 3), **28** (187 mg, 0.9 mmol) was esterified with **4** (192 mg, 0.45 mmol) to afford **30a** (240 mg, 86%) and **30b** (24 mg, 9%) with inseparable impurities, respectively (solvent used for flash column chromatography: 35% AcOEt in hexane).

4.18.1. *Compound* **30a**. Colorless amorphous; $[\alpha]_{6}^{57}$ +64.6 (*c* 0.5, CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 3504, 2952, 2833, 1711, 1602, 1511, 1377, 1243, 1131, 992, 831 cm⁻¹; UV (CHCl₃) λ_{max}/nm (ε), 299 (23,000); ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.27 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.96–2.04 (m, 2H), 2.09 (dd, *J*=15.4, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.23 (td, *J*=15.4, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 3.30 (s, 3H), 3.48 (s, 3H), 3.68 (dd, *J*=10.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 4.42 (td, *J*=10.5, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (d, *J*=11.7 Hz, 1H), 5.15 (d, *J*=11.7 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (s, 2H), 5.33 (q, *J*=3.0 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (d, *J*=15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.66 (d, *J*=15.8 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.6, 17.9, 36.6, 38.6, 48.0, 55.3, 56.1, 62.9, 67.9, 69.6, 71.2, 74.5, 94.2, 99.5, 100.1, 114.1, 116.4, 116.5, 127.0, 128.4, 129.8, 130.3, 144.7, 158.9, 159.9, 166.8, 174.9; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₃₂H₄₀O₁₂Na [M+Na]⁺ 639.2417, found 639.2394.

4.18.2. Compound **30b**. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.29 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.86 (dd, *J*=13.3, 12.5 Hz, 1H), 2.11 (dd, *J*=16.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.45 (td, *J*=13.3, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (td, *J*=16.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 3.48 (s, 3H), 3.56 (dd, *J*=10.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 4.15 (q, *J*=3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (ddd, *J*=12.5, 10.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 5.10 (s, 1H), 5.11 (s, 1H), 5.20 (s, 2H), 6.31 (d, *J*=15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, *J*=8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (d, *J*=8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, *J*=8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, *J*=8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d, *J*=15.8 Hz, 1H); HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₃₂H₄₀O₁₂Na [M+Na]⁺ 639.2417, found 639.2421.

4.19. 4-Methoxybenzyl (2'S,3'S)-3-0,4-0-(2',3'-dimethoxybutane-2',3'-diyl)-5-0-(3",4"-di-O-methoxymethylcaffeoyl) quinate (31a) and 4-methoxybenzyl (2'S,3'S)-3-0,4-0-(2',3'-dimethoxybutane-2',3'-diyl)-1-0-(3",4"-di-O-methoxymethylcaffeoyl)quinate (31b)

According to the procedure described for **10a** (method B, Table 3, entry 3), **29** (135 mg, 0.5 mmol) was esterified with **4** (107 mg, 0.25 mmol) to afford **31a** (141 mg, 83%) and **31b** (7 mg, 4%) with inseparable impurities, respectively (solvent used for flash column chromatography: 40% AcOEt in hexane).

 2H), 7.37 (s, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J*=16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.7, 17.8, 36.6, 38.6, 47.9, 48.0, 55.3, 56.2, 56.3, 62.9, 67.9, 69.7, 71.2, 74.5, 95.1, 95.5, 99.5, 100.1, 114.1, 115.8, 116.1, 117.0, 123.6, 127.0, 129.1, 130.2, 144.8, 147.3, 149.1, 159.9, 166.7, 174.9; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₃₄H₄₄O₁₄Na [M+Na]⁺ 699.2629, found 699.2604.

4.19.2. Compound **31b**. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.30 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H), 1.86 (t, *J*=13.0 Hz, 1H), 2.11 (dd, *J*=16.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.44 (td, *J*=13.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (td, *J*=16.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 3.52 (s, 3H), 3.53 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 4.15 (q, *J*=3.0 Hz, 1H), 4.33 (ddd, *J*=13.0, 10.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 5.09 (s, 1H), 5.10 (s, 1H), 5.25 (s, 2H), 5.27 (s, 2H), 6.31 (d, *J*=16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.12–7.14 (m, 2H), 7.25 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, *J*=2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J*=16.0 Hz, 1H); HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₃₄H₄₄O₁₄Na [M+Na]⁺ 699.2629, found 699.2625.

4.20. 5-O-(E)-Cinnamoylquinic acid (18)

To a solution of **10a** (111 mg, 0.2 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (24 mL) was added TFA (1.2 mL) at 0 °C and the resulting mixture was stirred for 13 h at this temperature. H₂O (40 mL) was added to the reaction mixture and then CH₂Cl₂ was removed under reduced pressure at 30 °C. The residual aqueous solution was purified by ODS open column chromatography (COSMOSIL 75C₁₈-OPN: 5-10% CH₃CN in H₂O) to give an aqueous CH₃CN solution of **18** containing TFA. A few times of azeotropic removal of TFA by using 50% aqueous CH₃CN under reduced pressure at 55 °C gave 18 (56 mg, 87%) as a white solid. Mp: 190–191 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ –6.6 (*c* 0.5, CH₃OH); IR (KBr) 3465, 3344, 2955, 1706, 1677, 1290, 1126, 978 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 1.96 (dd, J=13.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 2.12–2.24 (m, 3H), 3.65 (dd, *J*=9.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (td, *J*=9.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 5.38 (q, *J*=3.5 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, J=16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.39-7.41 (m, 3H), 7.59-7.61 (m, 2H), 7.73 (d, I=16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 36.7, 41.6, 68.2, 73.3, 74.8, 75.4, 119.6, 129.2, 130.0, 131.4, 136.0, 146.1, 168.4, 178.3; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₁₆H₁₇O₇Na₂ [M–H+2Na]⁺ 367.0770, found 367.0769.

4.21. 5-O-Naphthoylquinic acid (19)

According to the procedure described for **18**, **14a** (116 mg, 0.2 mmol) was deprotected by TFA (1.6 mL) in CH₂Cl₂ (32 mL) to afford **19** (55.3 mg, 80%) as a white solid (solvent used for ODS open column chromatography: 5–20% CH₃CN in H₂O). Mp: 171–172 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ –9.5 (*c* 0.2, CH₃OH); IR (KBr) 3422, 1691, 1291, 1231, 1199, 1131, 1066 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 2.00 (dd, *J*=13.0, 9.5, 1H), 2.20–2.33 (m, 3H), 3.73 (dd, *J*=9.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.32 (td, *J*=9.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 5.58 (q, *J*=3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t, *J*=8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (t, *J*=8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 2H), 8.00 (d, *J*=8.0, 1H), 8.10 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.69 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 36.8, 41.9, 68.2, 73.9, 75.2, 75.5, 126.5, 127.7, 128.8, 129.0, 129.3, 130.3, 132.3, 133.9, 137.0, 168.0, 178.4; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₁₈H₁₇O₇Na₂ [M–H+2Na]⁺ 391.0770, found 391.0765.

4.22. 5-O-Benzoylquinic acid (20)

According to the procedure described for **18**, **16a** (106 mg, 0.2 mmol) was deprotected by TFA (1.6 mL) in CH₂Cl₂ (32 mL) to afford **20** (47.3 mg, 80%) as a white solid (Solvent used for ODS open column chromatography: 0-5% CH₃CN in H₂O). Mp: 200–201 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ –36.2 (*c* 0.2, CH₃OH); IR (KBr) 3484, 3277, 2972, 1731, 1696, 1363, 1289, 1123, 1066, 711 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 1.97 (dd, *J*=13.5, 9.0, 1H), 2.16–2.28 (m, 3H), 3.69 (dd, *J*=9.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (td, *J*=9.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 5.51 (q, *J*=3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (t, *J*=8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.58 (t, *J*=8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.08 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (d, *J*=8.0, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 36.8, 41.9, 68.2, 73.8, 75.2, 75.5,

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129.3, 130.9, 132.1, 134.0, 167.9, 178.4; HRMS (FAB) calcd for $C_{14}H_{15}O_7Na_2 \; [M-H+2Na]^+$ 341.0613, found 341.0619.

4.23. 5-O-Phenylethylcarbonylquinic acid (21)

According to the procedure described for **18**, **17** (112 mg, 0.2 mmol) was deprotected by TFA (1.6 mL) in CH₂Cl₂ (32 mL) to afford **21** (51.2 mg, 79%) as a white solid (solvent used for ODS open column chromatography: 5–10% CH₃CN in H₂O). Mp: 154–155 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ –38.2 (*c* 0.2, CH₃OH); IR (KBr) 3420, 3198, 1729, 1687, 1354, 1298, 1198, 1128, 1086 cm⁻¹; UV (CH₃OH) λ_{max}/nm (ε), 209 (7300); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 1.92 (dd, *J*=13.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H), 2.07–2.15 (m, 3H), 2.66 (t, *J*=8.0, 1H), 2.67 (t, *J*=8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.94 (t, *J*=8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.58 (dd, *J*=9.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (td, *J*=9.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 5.24 (q, *J*=3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.15–7.28 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 31.8, 36.5, 37.1, 41.5, 68.2, 73.3, 74.7, 75.3, 127.1, 129.4, 129.5, 142.3, 174.5, 178.3; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₁₆H₁₉O₇Na₂ [M–H+2Na]⁺ 369.0926, found 369.0926.

4.24. 5-0-(*E*)-Caffeoylquinic acid (1)

To a solution of 31a (40 mg, 0.06 mmol) and pentamethylbenzene (C_6HMe_5) (111.2 mg, 0.75 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (2 mL) was added BCl₃ (0.6 mL, 0.60 mmol, 1 M in CH₂Cl₂) at -40 °C. After stirring for 10 min at -40 °C, the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to 0 $^{\circ}$ C for 3 h and quenched by H₂O (2 mL). The crude products were washed with CH₂Cl₂ in order to remove C₆HMe₅. The residual aqueous solution was purified by ODS HPLC (Develosil ODS-HG-5. Nomura Chemicals) with 5% CH₃CN aqueous solution containing 0.5% TFA. A few times of azeotropic evaporation by addition of CH₃CN under reduced pressure at 30 °C gave 1 (14.7 mg, 69%) as a white solid. Mp: 187–188 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ +6.6 (*c* 0.2, CH₃OH); IR (KBr) 3448, 1712, 1686, 1631, 1601, 1291, 1205, 1126, 1077, 813 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 1.96 (dd, *J*=13.5, 9.0 Hz, 1H), 2.11–2.23 (m, 3H), 3.64 (dd, *J*=9.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (td, *J*=9.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 5.35 (q, J=3.5 Hz, 1H), 6.31 (d, J=16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (d, J=8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, J=8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (s, 1H), 7.59 (d, J=16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 36.7, 41.5, 68.3, 73.0, 74.8, 75.4, 115.1, 115.8, 116.5, 122.9, 128.0, 146.8, 146.8, 149.4, 169.0, 178.3; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₁₆H₁₉O₉ [M+H]⁺ 355.1029, found 355.1040.

4.25. 5-0-(*E*)-*p*-Coumaroylquinic acid (2)

According to the procedure described for **1**, **30a** (123.3 mg, 0.2 mmol) was deprotected by BCl₃ (2.0 mL, 2.0 mmol, 1 M in CH₂Cl₂) and pentamethylbenzene (C₆HMe₅) (370.6 mg, 2.5 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (7 mL) to afford **2** (49.4 mg, 73%) as a white solid (-Develosil ODS-HG-5, Nomura Chemicals: 5% CH₃CN aqueous solution containing 0.5% TFA). Mp: 169.5–170.5 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{24}$ +10.3 (*c* 0.2, CH₃OH); IR (KBr) 3409, 1692, 1606, 1515, 1278, 1176, 980, 828 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 1.96 (dd, *J*=13.5, 9.5 Hz, 1H), 2.11–2.23 (m, 3H), 3.64 (dd, *J*=9.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (td, *J*=9.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 5.36 (q, *J*=3.5 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, *J*=15.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 36.8, 41.2, 68.5, 72.9, 74.6, 75.5, 115.9, 116.8, 127.4, 131.1, 146.4, 161.1, 169.0, 178.8; HRMS (FAB) calcd for C₁₆H₁₉O₈ [M+H]⁺ 339.1080, found 339.1071.

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