

Versatile 8-Oxabicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-en-3-one: Stereoselective Methodology for Generating C-Glycosides, δ -Valerolactones, and Polyacetate Segments

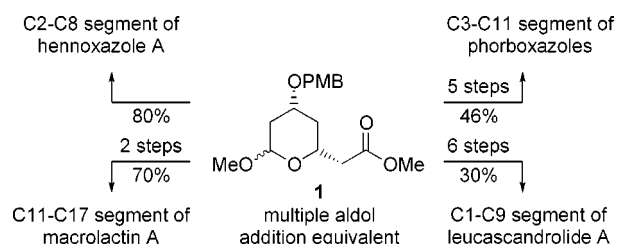
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ABSTRACT



A new rearrangement of functionalized methoxy glycosides and a regioselective as well as stereoselective intramolecular Michael addition giving δ -valerolactones and C-glycosides are described. Applications to the synthesis of marine natural products are reported. Chemoselective deprotection of benzylated hydroxy groups is assumed to be facilitated by 6-*endo-tet* interaction with the 1,3-dithiane functionality.

Marine natural products are of much current interest because of their challenging stereochemistry and their high bioactivity. In preceding papers we have targeted prominent polyoxygenated marine metabolites using our oxabicyclic concept with the aim of developing a unified synthetic strategy.¹ We now exemplify our approach with the synthesis of the C11–C17 segment of macrolactin A,² the C3–C11 segment of the phorboxazoles,³ the C1–C9 segment of

leucascandrolide A,⁴ and the C2–C8 segment of hennoxazole A⁵ from a single precursor (Scheme 1).

These various polyketide segments are of the simple polyacetate type,⁶ the stereocontrolled synthesis of which is generally more challenging than that of polypropionates. Our strategy is outlined in Scheme 1. The segments are cyclic and of the tetrahydropyran type (phorboxazoles, leucascandrolide A, and hennoxazole A) and also acyclic as in macrolactin A.

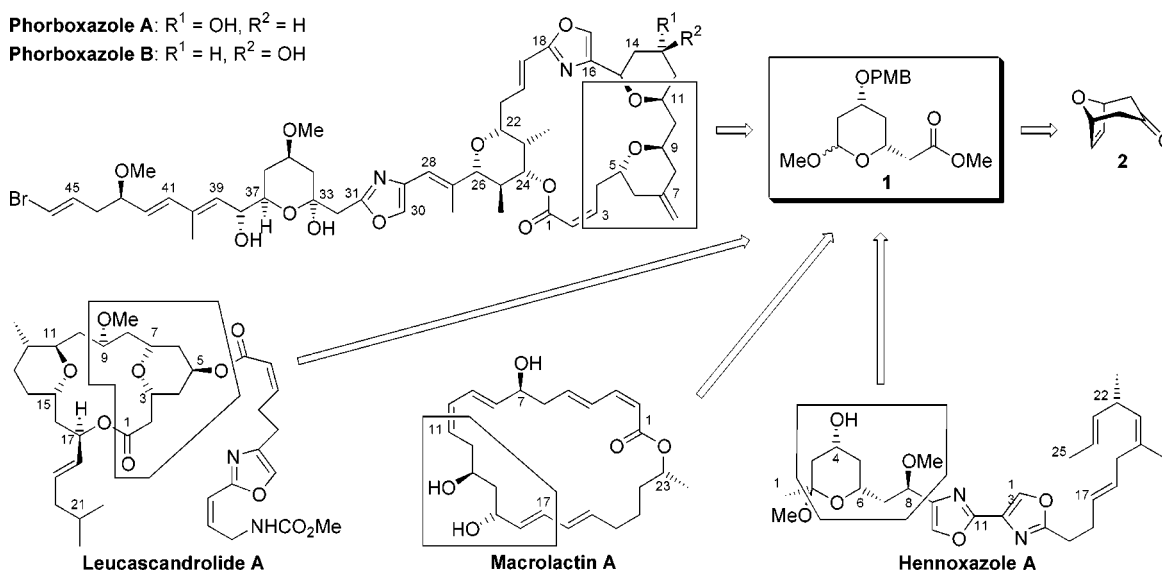
As starting material we chose 8-oxabicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-en-3-one **2**, which has to be elaborated into a suitable six-membered ring ether and also into a polyol chain. The key intermediate is methoxy acetal **1**,⁷ in which the oxygenation pattern and stereochemistry are already placed correctly for the task at hand. Methoxy acetal **1** is a multiple aldol addition equivalent and available in high chemical yield and enantio-

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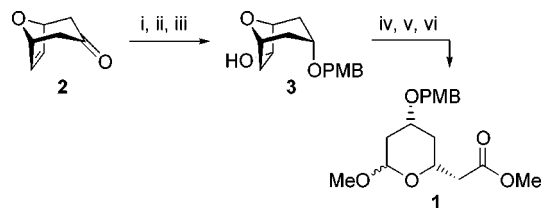
Scheme 1

Phorboxazole A: R¹ = OH, R² = H
Phorboxazole B: R¹ = H, R² = OH



meric purity from σ -symmetric title compound **2** (Scheme 2).⁸

Scheme 2^a



^a Reagents and conditions: (i) L-Selectride, perfusor, THF, -78°C , 1 h, 82%; (ii) NaH, PMBCl, Bu₄NI, THF, reflux, 6 h, 85%; (iii) (+)-Ipc₂BH, THF, -10°C , 1 week, 85%, 96% ee; (iv) PCC, CH₂Cl₂, rt, 5 h, 92%; (v), *m*-CPBA, CH₂Cl₂, rt, overnight, 96%; (vi) MeOH, concentrated H₂SO₄ (catal.), rt, overnight, 91%.

The opening of methoxy acetals related to **1** has been described previously.⁹ We chose the PMB protecting group

to facilitate simultaneous deprotection^{7a,10} of the masked hydroxy function. We discovered that the deprotective opening in solvents more polar than dichloromethane is feasible with BF₃·Et₂O and 1,3-propanedithiol. Loss of the PMB group is thought to be facilitated by 1,6-intramolecular nucleophilic interaction of 1,3-dithiane sulfur (6-*endo-tet*, see Table 1, **i**). In a structurally related case we found that debenzoylation also occurred with ease. Acyclic diol **4** and functionalized δ -valerolactone **5** are formed in one step in a single-flask reaction (Table 1). The opening and deprotection worked best in acetonitrile. The conditions chosen (entry 5) favored formation of lactone **5**. After aqueous workup, cyclization to the desired lactone **5** was completed by addition of PPTS in CH₂Cl₂ (Table 1, footnote b). BF₃·Et₂O (1.1 equiv) also promotes the equilibration of **4** to **5**, without destroying diol ester **4**.

At first sight the cascade **1** $\rightarrow$ **5** would seem to correspond to no less than five classical steps: (i) reduction at C1 to aldehyde, (ii) protection as thioacetal, (iii) deprotection at

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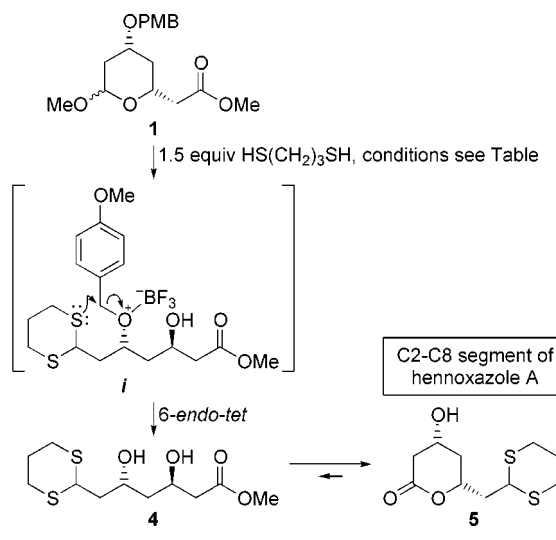
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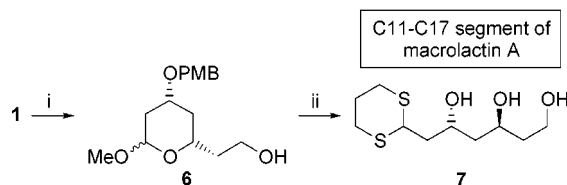
Table 1. Cascade Lactonization of Methoxy Acetal **1**


entry	BF ₃ ·Et ₂ O [equiv]	conditions	ratio 4:5 (TLC analysis) ^a	isolated yield of 5 [%]
1	5	MeNO ₂ , -20 °C → rt, 2 h	1:5	31
2	7	MeCN, -20 °C → rt, 4 h	1:5	41
3	4.5	MeCN, -20 °C → rt, 4 h; then TFA (5 equiv), rt, 20 min	1:6	50
4	3	MeCN, -20 °C → 0 °C, 1 h	1:1	61 ^b
5	1.1	MeCN 0 °C, 0.5 h	1:9	80 ^b

^a Before aqueous workup. ^b Aqueous workup, then PPTS (0.5 equiv), CH₂Cl₂, rt, 1 h, and column chromatography.

C5, (iv) deprotection at C7, and (v) oxidation at C7. Owing to the hidden C₂ symmetry of acyclic intermediates, the termini of **5** and **1** are simply interchanged and are fully differentiated with *umpolung* of one terminus. Lactone **5**, more so than methoxy acetal **1**, is a suitable precursor of the C2–C8 segment of hennoxazole A.

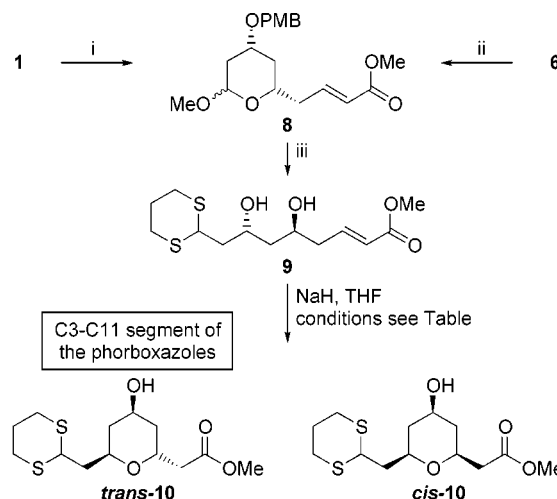
To obtain the acyclic building block from **1**, the cyclization **4** → **5** was stopped by simply reducing the ester terminus (**1** → **6**, Scheme 3). Ring opening of acetal **6** by our protocol

Scheme 3. Polyol **7** from Methoxy Acetal **1**^a

^a Reagents and conditions: (i) LiAlH₄, THF, 0 °C to rt, 1 h, 99%; (ii) 1.3 equiv HS(CH₂)₃SH, 4.5 equiv of BF₃·Et₂O, MeCN, -20 °C to rt, 2.5 h, 71%.

afforded the acyclic polyketide **7** of macrolactin A, again with *umpolung* of polarity of one terminus.

As a further reaction mode of methoxy acetal **1**, we homologated the ester to α,β-unsaturated ester **8** by Wittig methodology (Table 2). Alternatively, ester **8** was obtained

Table 2. Two-Carbon Homologation to α,β-Unsaturated Esters **8** and **9**. Cyclization to THP Building Blocks *trans*-**10** and *cis*-**10**


entry	NaH [equiv]	conditions	yield [%]	<i>trans</i> - 10 : <i>cis</i> - 10 ^b
1	4.3	-60 °C, 1.5 h; -5 °C, 2 h	45	52:48
2	3.0	-78 °C, 1 h; -25 °C, 22 h	56	68:32
3	3.0	-78 °C → 0 °C, 3 h	48	80:20
4	2.5	-60 °C → -5 °C, 6 h; -5 °C, 2 h	74	75:25
5	2.2	-78 °C → -5 °C, 1 h; -5 °C, 15 h	50	57:43
6	2.2	-78 °C → 0 °C, 2.5 h	78	81:19
7	2.1	-78 °C → rt, 3 h; rt, 3 h	20	2:98
8	1.0	-40 °C → rt, 1 h; rt, 15 h	25	2:98
9	1.0	-40 °C → rt, 1 h; rt, 7 h	61	2:98
10	0.2	rt, 8 h	90	60:40

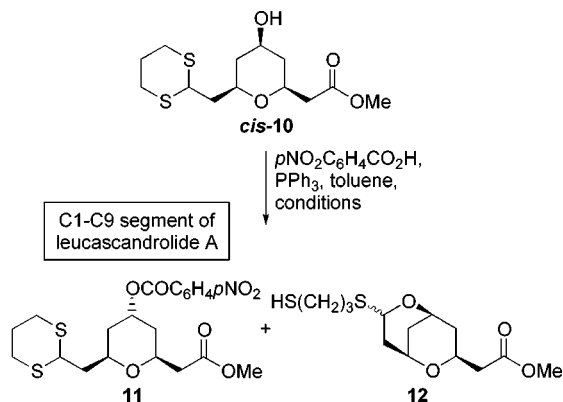
^a (i) DIBAL, CH₂Cl₂, 0.5 h, -78 °C, then Ph₃PCHCO₂Me, 16 h, rt, 73%; (ii) 1. Dess–Martin periodinane, CH₂Cl₂, 1 h, 0 °C, 87%; 2. Ph₃PCHCO₂Me, CH₂Cl₂, rt, 18 h, 98%; (iii) 1.5 equiv of HS(CH₂)₃SH, 1.3 equiv of BF₃·Et₂O, MeCN, 0 °C → rt, 0.5 h, 70%. ^b The relative configuration at the new stereocenter was confirmed by NOE experiments.

by the three-step sequence **1** → **6** → **8** (84% overall yield). Ring opening dithioacetalization of **8** was accompanied by deprotection of the PMB group, giving diol **9** without subsequent cyclization. Further investigations afforded C-glycosidic tetrahydropyrans containing three individual stereocenters. Either *trans*-**10** (entry 6, Table 3) or predominantly *cis*-**10**¹¹ (entry 9) was obtained under basic¹² Michael-type conditions.¹³ All-equatorial *cis*-**10** is assumed to be the stereoisomer of thermodynamic control.

Mitsunobu inversion¹⁴ of alcohol *cis*-**10** usually occurred with intervention of the dithioacetal group, giving bicyclic O,S-acetal **12**.¹⁵ The conditions of entry 5 provided the

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entry	PPh_3 [equiv]	conditions	yield 11 + 12 [%]
1	1.6	1.6 equiv of DIAD, rt, 4 h	42 + 31
2	5	1.6 equiv of DIAD, rt, 3 h	51 + 23
3	10	2.0 equiv of DEAD, rt, 3 h	80 + 9
4	10	1.6 equiv of DBAD, rt, 5 h	64 + n.d. ^a
5	14	2.0 equiv of DEAD, rt, 1 h	85 + 0

^a Not determined.

desired ester **11** in good yield (85%). Steric encumbrance of azoester (DEAD, DIAD, DBAD) did not improve the formation of **11**. Tetrahydropyrans *trans*-**10** and **11** serve as the C3–C11 segment of the phorbaxozoles and as the C1–C9 segment of leucascandrolide A, respectively.

In summary, oxabicyclic precursor **2** and anomeric methoxy acetal **1** are universal polyacetate building blocks. Two deceptively simple seven-carbon segments, **5** and **7**, as well

as three fully differentiated nine-carbon polyacetate segments, *trans*-**10**, *cis*-**10**,¹⁶ and **11**, have been synthesized by efficient chemistry and in high enantiomeric purity. All building blocks can be used in the synthesis of marine natural products.

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