# Efficient Synthesis of Biologically Interesting Natural Pyranochalcones from *Mallotus Philippensis* and Their Unnatural Derivatives<sup>†</sup>

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This paper describes efficient synthetic approaches for isolating biologically interesting natural pyranochalcones and their unnatural derivatives from *Mallotus Philippensis*. The key strategies involve ethylenediamine diacetate-catalyzed benzopyran formation reactions and base-catalyzed aldol reactions.

Key Words : Pyranochalcone, Mallotophilippens D and F, Red compound

## Introduction

Mallotus philippensis is widely distributed throughout tropical Asia, Australia, and the Philippines.<sup>1</sup> Extracts from the fruits and bark of the plant have been shown to possess antioxidant,<sup>2</sup> antiulcer,<sup>2</sup> anti-tumor,<sup>3</sup> cytotoxic,<sup>4</sup> and antiallergic<sup>5</sup> activities. Kamara, a red powder consisting of the glandular hairs from this plant, has been used in traditional medicines as an anthelmintic and cathartic.<sup>6</sup> From this plant, mallotophilippens C (1), D (2), F (3) and 8-cinnamoyl-5,7dihydroxy-2,2,6-trimethylchromene (4), called the red compound, with chalcone moieties were isolated (Figure 1).<sup>1,7</sup> Mallotophilippens C (1) and D (2) have been shown to potently inhibit the production of nitric oxide (NO) induced by interferon- $\gamma$  (IFN- $\gamma$ ) and LPS activated RAW 264.7 cells.<sup>1</sup> They also strongly inhibited inducible nitric oxide synthesis (iNOS), cyclooxygenase-2 (COX-2), interleukin-6 (IL-6), and interleukin-1 $\beta$  (IL-1 $\beta$ ) mRNA expression.<sup>1</sup> These effects are expected to be used as lead compounds for the development of new drugs to treat rheumatoid arthritis, which involves excessive NO production. Mallotophilippen F (3) and red compound (4) have shown to possess anti-tuberculosis activity against the H37Rv strain of Mycobacterium tuber-



Figure 1. Natural pyranochalcones 1-4 isolated from *Mallotus philippensis* and their unnatural derivatives 5-11.

culosis at 16 µg/mL and 64 µg/mL, respectively.<sup>7</sup>

Recently, we have reported the concise total synthesis of mallotophilippen C (1) starting from commercially available 2,4,6-trihydroxyacetophenone (12).<sup>8</sup> However, the synthesis of mallotophilippens D (2) and F (3), red compound (4), and their unnatural derivatives **5-11** has not been reported. As an expansion and ongoing study of our previous work, we report herein an efficient synthesis of mallotophilippens D (2) and F (3), red compound (4), and their unnatural derivatives **5-11**.

#### **Results and Discussion**

The synthesis of mallotophilippens D (2), F (3), and their derivatives 5-7 was carried out as shown in Scheme 1. The compound 13 was synthesized starting from 2,4,6-trihydroxyacetophenone (12) in 2 steps according to the procedure reported by our group.<sup>8</sup> Treatment of **13** with 1.1 equiv. of methoxymethyl chloride (MOMCl) in the presence of N,Ndiisopropylethylamine gave product 14 in 98% yield. The selective methoxymethylation of compound 13 was confirmed by analysis of the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum. The signal for the proton of one hydroxyl group in the benzopyran ring of compound 14 was observed as a singlet associated with a hydrogen bond to a carbonyl group at  $\delta = 13.72$  ppm, and a methoxy signal of MOM ether was observed as a singlet at  $\delta$ = 3.51 ppm. To give chalcone moieties, aldol reactions were attempted. Condensation of compound 14 with aryl aldehyde 15 protected with two SEM groups in an ethanolic KOH solution at room temperature for 48 h afforded 20 in 77% yield, whereas that with benzaldehyde (16) at room temperature for 48 h provided 21 in 85% yield. Similarly, reactions with aryl aldehydes 17-19 gave 22-24 in 81, 90, and 79% yield, respectively. Deprotection of 20 and 21 by treatment with concentrated HCl (10 drops) in methanol at room temperature for 5 h gave the expected natural products, mallotophilippens D (2) and F (3), in 65 and 71% yield, respectively. The spectral data for the synthetic materials 2 and 3 were in agreement with those reported in the literature.<sup>1,7</sup> Similarly, treatment of 22-24 with concentrated HCl (10 drops) in methanol at room temperature for 5 h gave the unnatural products 5-7 in 61, 76 and 58% yield, respectively.

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Scheme 2 shows retrosynthetic approaches for synthesizing the natural red compound (4) and its unnatural derivatives 8-11. Red compound (4) and its derivatives 8-11 could be prepared by base-catalyzed aldol reactions of 28 to the corresponding aryl aldehydes. The key intermediate 28 could be also generated from 26 through selective MOM ether protection. The benzopyran 26 could be derived from commercially available 2,4,6-trihydroxyacetophenone (12) by *C*-methylation followed by benzopyran formation reaction.

The total synthesis of red compound (4) and its derivatives 8-11 were attempted starting from 2,4,6-trihydroxyacetophenone (12) as shown in Scheme 3. Previous studies reported that *C*-prenylation can be achieved with prenyl bromide in the presence of either potassium hydroxide<sup>9</sup> or potassium carbonate.<sup>10</sup> Under these conditions, the desired product 25 was obtained in 45% yield. Treatment of 25 with 3-methyl-2-butenal in the presence of 20 mol % of ethylenediamine diacetate in refluxing xylene for 4 h provided the products 26 and 27 in 75 and 15% yield, respectively. In this reaction, the regioselectivity of the cyclization may result from the presence of a bulky methyl group on the benzene ring of 25. This similar regioselectivity was observed by Li's group in the case of cyclization of a polyhydroxychalcone to give flavones.<sup>11</sup> These two compounds were readily separated by column chromatography and assigned by spectral analysis. Protection of compound **26** with 1.1 equiv. of MOMCI provided **28** in 98% yield. Condensation of **28** with benzaldehyde in ethanolic KOH solution at room temperature for 48 h gave **29** in 85% yield. Similarly, reaction of **28** with the corresponding aryl aldehydes provided chalcones **30-33** in 95, 87, 90, and 98% yield, respectively. Deprotection of **29** with 3 M HCl in refluxing methanol for 0.5 h afforded **4** in 95% yield. The spectroscopic data for synthetic material **4** were in agreement with that reported in the literature.<sup>7</sup> Similarly, treatment of **30-33** with 3 M HCl gave chalcones **8-11** in 95, 90, 88, and 97% yield, respectively.

In conclusion, we have described a concise synthetic route for producing biologically interesting natural products, mallotophilippens D and F, and red compound with a pyranochalcone moiety starting from 2,4,6-trihydroxyacetophenone. The key strategies involve benzopyran formation by ethylenediamine diacetate-catalyzed reactions and basecatalyzed aldol reactions. Efficient Synthesis of Natural Pyranochalcones



#### **Experimental Section**

All the experiments were carried out in a nitrogen atmosphere. Merck precoated silica gel plates (Art. 5554) with a fluorescent indicator were used for analytical TLC. Flash column chromatography was performed using silica gel 9385 (Merck). The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Model ARX (300 and 75 MHz, respectively) spectrometer in CDCl<sub>3</sub> using  $\delta = 77.0$  ppm as the solvent. The IR spectra were recorded on a Jasco FTIR 5300 spectrophotometer. The HRMS were carried out at the Korea Basic Science Institute.

Compound 14. Methoxymethyl chloride (0.121 g, 1.50 mmol) was added to a solution of 13 (0.505 g, 1.36 mmol) and diisopropylethylamine (0.879 g, 6.80 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 h and then water (20 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (3 × 30 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution (20 mL) and evaporated in vacuo. Flash chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (20:1) afforded 14 (0.552 g, 98%) as an oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 13.72 (s, 1H), 6.48 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.44 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.96 (s, 2H), 3.51 (s, 3H), 3.27 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 2.65 (s, 3H), 2.01-1.95 (m, 4H), 1.73 (s, 3H), 1.69 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 3H), 1.45 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 204.6, 163.8, 158.5, 155.2, 135.6, 131.7, 126.2, 124.8, 123.1, 118.3, 115.5, 108.8, 107.1, 100.5, 58.3, 40.1, 34.0, 28.1, 27.0, 26.1, 22.9, 18.1, 16.6; IR (neat) 2930, 1616, 1424, 1364, 1287, 1161, 1134, 1049 cm<sup>-1</sup>; EIMS m/z (%) 414 (M<sup>+</sup>, 66), 399 (22), 370 (17), 369 (58), 367 (11), 313 (10), 291 (17), 285 (25), 271 (26), 259 (12), 247 (54), 246 (15), 245 (12), 232 (15), 231 (100), 217 (14), 213 (13), 69 (14); HRMS m/z (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>34</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: 414.2406. Found: 414.2408.

**Compound 20.** To a solution of **14** (0.150 g, 0.36 mmol) in ethanol (4 mL) was added KOH (0.102 g, 1.81 mmol) and aldehyde **15** (0.173 g, 0.43 mmol). The reaction mixture was

stirred at room temperature for 48 h. Evaporation of ethanol, addition of water (10 mL) and 1 N HCl (2 mL), extraction with EtOAc  $(3 \times 15 \text{ mL})$ , washing with brine (15 mL), and removal of the solvent followed by flash column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (20:1) gave 20 (0.220 g, 77%) as a yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.99 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (s, 1H), 7.28-7.24 (m, 2H), 6.57 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.52 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.35 (s, 2H), 5.34 (s, 2H), 5.25 (t, J = 7.0Hz, 1H), 5.09 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (s, 2H), 3.85-3.80 (m, 4H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 3.36 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.08-2.02 (m, 4H), 1.79 (s, 3H), 1.66 (s, 3H), 1.60 (s, 3H), 1.58 (s, 6H), 1.02-0.96 (m, 4H), 0.01 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 193.6, 164.1, 158.0, 154.1, 149.4, 147.6, 142.8, 135.1, 131.2, 129.7, 125.8, 125.7, 124.4, 123.7, 122.8, 118.1, 115.9, 115.4, 115.2, 108.9, 106.9, 100.1, 93.7, 93.6, 77.5, 66.6, 66.5, 57.9, 39.7, 27.9, 26.7, 25.7, 22.6, 18.1, 18.0, 17.7, 16.2, -1.4; IR (neat) 2955, 1589, 1507, 1256, 1084, 988, 837, 694 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS m/z (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>44</sub>H<sub>66</sub>O<sub>9</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>: 794.4245. Found: 794.4250.

**Compound 21.** To a solution of **14** (0.300 g, 0.72 mmol) in ethanol (8 mL) was added KOH (0.203 g, 3.62 mmol) and aldehyde 16 (0.084 g, 0.80 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48 h. Evaporation of ethanol, addition of water (10 mL) and 1N HCl (4 mL), extraction with EtOAc  $(3 \times 50 \text{ mL})$ , washing with brine (30 mL), and removal of the solvent followed by flash column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (20:1) gave 21 (0.308 g, 85%) as a yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  13.86 (s, OH), 8.06 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.41-7.38 (m, 3H), 6.54 (d, J =9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.51 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (s, 2H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 3.32 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.09-2.02 (m, 2H), 2.00-1.97 (m, 2H),1.76 (s, 3H), 1.63 (s, 3H), 1.56 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 193.8, 164.0, 158.1, 154.2, 142.4, 135.4, 135.2, 131.3, 130.2, 129.0, 128.3, 127.5, 125.8, 124.3, 122.7, 118.0, 115.4, 108.9, 107.0, 100.1, 77.5, 57.9,

39.6, 27.8, 26.6, 25.7, 22.6, 17.7, 16.2; IR (neat) 2970, 2921, 1634, 1589, 1554, 1449, 1339, 1284, 1218, 1146, 1086, 1044, 978, 938, 880, 769, 725, 691 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS *m/z* (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>38</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: 502.2719 Found: 502.2722.

Compound 22. To a solution of 14 (0.150 g, 0.36 mmol) in ethanol (4 mL) was added KOH (0.102 g, 1.81 mmol) and aldehyde 17 (0.123 g, 0.43 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48 h. Evaporation of ethanol, addition of water (10 mL) and 1N HCl (2 mL), extraction with EtOAc  $(3 \times 15 \text{ mL})$ , washing with brine (15 mL), and removal of the solvent followed by flash column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (20:1) gave 22 (0.200 g, 81%) as a yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.94 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.49 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (s, 2H), 5.21 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.99 (s, 2H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.78 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 3.56 (s, 3H), 3.31 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.08-1.96 (m, 4H), 1.75 (s, 3H), 1.62 (s, 3H), 1.55 (s, 3H), 1.54 (s, 6H), 0.95 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), -0.03 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 193.6, 164.1, 157.9, 154.1, 151.7, 147.2, 142.9, 135.1, 131.2, 128.6, 125.8, 125.4, 124.4, 124.3, 122.8, 118.1, 115.4, 114.5, 111.5, 108.9, 106.9, 100.1, 93.8, 77.5, 66.5, 57.9, 56.0, 39.7, 27.9, 26.7, 25.6, 22.6, 18.1, 17.7, 16.2, -1.5; IR (neat) 2955, 1589, 1507, 1446, 1356, 1256, 1134, 1084, 837, 810 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**Compound 23.** To a solution of **14** (0.150 g, 0.36 mmol) in ethanol (4 mL) was added KOH (0.102 g, 1.81 mmol) and aldehyde 18 (0.072 g, 0.43 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48 h. Evaporation of ethanol, addition of water (10 mL) and 1N HCl (2 mL), extraction with EtOAc  $(3 \times 15 \text{ mL})$ , washing with brine (15 mL), and removal of the solvent followed by flash column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (20:1) gave 23 (0.184 g, 90%) as a yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.96 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.19-7.14 (m, 2H), 6.88 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.50 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.99 (s, 2H), 3.91 (s, 6H), 3.56 (s, 3H), 3.32 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.04-1.97 (m, 4H), 1.75 (s, 3H), 1.62 (s, 3H), 1.55 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 193.4, 164.1, 157.9, 154.0, 151.1, 149.2, 142.8, 135.2, 131.2, 128.4, 125.6, 125.3, 124.3, 123.3, 122.7, 118.2, 115.5, 111.1, 109.4, 108.9, 106.9, 100.1, 77.3, 57.9, 56.0, 55.7, 39.6, 27.8, 26.6, 25.6, 22.6, 17.7, 16.2; IR (neat) 3463, 2967, 1620, 1588, 1537, 1507, 1443, 1419, 1325, 1302, 1262, 1138, 1039, 1020, 954, 844, 801 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS m/z (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>42</sub>O<sub>7</sub>: 562.2931. Found: 562.2934.

**Compound 24.** To a solution of **14** (0.150 g, 0.36 mmol) in ethanol (4 mL) was added KOH (0.102 g, 1.81 mmol) and aldehyde **19** (0.065 g, 0.43 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48 h. Evaporation of ethanol, addition of water (10 mL) and 1N HCl (2 mL), extraction with EtOAc ( $3 \times 15$  mL), washing with brine (15 mL), and removal of the solvent followed by flash column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (20:1) gave **24** (0.156 g, 79%) as a yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

δ 7.90 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.12-7.04 (m, 2H), 6.82 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.53 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 6.00 (s, 2H), 5.50 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (t, J = 6.9Hz, 1H), 5.04 - 4.99 (m, 3H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 3.31 (d, J = 6.9Hz, 2H), 2.10 - 1.92 (m, 4H), 1.75 (s, 3H), 1.62 (s, 3H), 1.55 (s, 3H), 1.52 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 193.5, 164.1, 158.0, 154.1, 149.7, 148.4, 142.6, 135.2, 131.3, 130.0, 125.8, 125.6, 125.1, 124.4, 122.8, 118.1, 115.4, 108.7, 107.0, 106.4, 101.6, 100.2, 77.5, 57.9, 39.7, 27.9, 26.7, 25.7, 22.6, 17.7, 16.3; IR (neat) 2926, 1589, 1549, 1491, 1449, 1331, 1256, 1150, 1042, 932 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS *m/z* (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>38</sub>O<sub>7</sub>: 546.2618. Found: 546.2617.

Mallotophilippen D (2). To a solution of 20 (0.150 g, 0.19 mmol) in ethanol (8 mL) was added concentrated HCl (5 drops) and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (30 mL) and extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 30$  mL). Removal of solvent and purification by column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (10:1) gave 2 (0.060 g, 65%) as a yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.20 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d, J = 15.6Hz, 1H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (s, OH), 6.95 (s, OH), 6.82 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (s, OH), 6.61 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 5.26 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.52 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.04-1.89 (m, 4H), 1.69 (s, 3H), 1.55 (s, 3H), 1.50 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, benzene- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  193.7, 164.8, 158.2, 155.3, 146.8, 144.6, 143.0, 139.9, 132.0, 129.4, 126.2, 124.9, 124.2, 122.6, 122.4, 117.3, 115.9, 115.3, 105.0, 106.3, 102.9, 77.8, 39.9, 27.8, 26.5, 25.8, 22.1, 17.7, 15.9; IR (neat) 3410, 2975, 1599, 1537, 1452, 1350, 1282, 1166,  $806, 780 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

Mallotophilippen F (3). To a solution of 21 (0.100 g, 0.20 mmol) in ethanol (8 mL) was added concentrated HCl (5 drops) and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (30 mL) and extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 30$  mL). Removal of solvent and purification by column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (10:1) gave **3** (0.065 g, 71%) as an orange solid: mp 120-122 <sup>o</sup>C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.11 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.42-7.37 (m, 3H), 6.56 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (s, OH), 5.46 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.29 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.14-2.06 (m, 4H), 1.81 (s, 3H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 1.59 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 193.0, 163.8, 157.9, 154.7, 141.9, 140.5, 135.6, 132.4, 130.0, 129.0, 128.2, 127.7, 124.9, 123.5, 121.7, 116.7, 106.1, 105.4, 102.3, 77.8, 39.7, 27.9, 26.1, 25.7, 21.6, 17.7, 16.1; IR (KBr) 3450, 2975, 1605, 1537, 1452, 1350, 1263, 1166 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS m/z (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>34</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 458.2457. Found: 458.2455.

**Compound 5.** To a solution of **22** (0.150 g, 0.30 mmol) in ethanol (8 mL) was added concentrated HCl (5 drops) and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (30 mL) and extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 30$  mL).

Removal of solvent and purification by column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (10:1) gave **5** (0.068 g, 61%) as a yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, benzene $d_6$ )  $\delta$  8.28 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (dd, J = 8.1, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (brs, OH), 6.26 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.45 (brs, OH), 5.26 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.52 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.04 (s, 3H), 2.03-1.91 (m, 4H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 1.54 (s, 3H), 1.49 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, benzene- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  193.4, 165.0, 158.0, 155.2, 148.7, 146.7, 142.7, 139.6, 131.9, 130.0, 126.6, 124.8, 124.2, 123.0, 122.5, 117.3, 112.9, 110.7, 106.9, 106.2, 102.7, 77.7, 55.2, 39.8, 27.8, 26.5, 25.8, 22.1, 17.7, 15.9; IR (neat) 3424, 2963, 1611, 1517, 1445, 1358, 1268, 1133, 866, 804 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

Compound 6. To a solution of 23 (0.150 g, 0.30 mmol) in ethanol (8 mL) was added concentrated HCl (5 drops) and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (30 mL) and extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 30$  mL). Removal of solvent and purification by column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (10:1) gave 6 (0.105 g, 76%) as a yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, benzene- $d_6$ )  $\delta$ 14.49 (s, OH), 8.00 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.18-7.14 (m, 2H), 6.88 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 6.32 (s, OH), 5.43 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.29 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 6H), 3.41 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.18-2.05 (m, 4H), 1.81 (s, 3H), 1.67 (s, 3H), 1.59 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, benzene-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 192.9, 164.0, 157.6, 154.6, 151.3, 149.5, 142.2 140.1, 132.2, 128.9, 125.8, 124.6, 123.7, 123.0, 121.8, 117.0, 111.5, 110.2, 106.3, 105.7, 102.3, 77.7, 56.0, 55.9, 39.7, 28.0, 26.3, 25.6, 21.7, 17.6, 16.2; IR (neat) 3404, 2962, 1612, 1518, 1447, 1336, 1263, 1143, 1029, 803, 728 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

Compound 7. To a solution of 24 (0.150 g, 0.27 mmol) in ethanol (8 mL) was added concentrated HCl (5 drops) and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (30 mL) and extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 30$  mL). Removal of solvent and purification by column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (10:1) gave 7 (0.080 g, 58%) as a yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, benzene $d_6$ )  $\delta$  8.16 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (s, H), 6.82 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (s, OH), 5.28 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (s, 2H), 5.14 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.52 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.03-1.90 (m, 4H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 1.54 (s, 3H), 1.49 (s, 3H), 1.28 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, benzene- $d_6$ )  $\delta$  193.2, 164.9, 157.8, 154.9, 149.7, 148.8, 142.3, 139.5, 131.8, 130.8, 126.3, 125.2, 124.7, 124.2, 122.4, 117.2, 108.6, 106.7, 106.3, 102.7, 101.3, 77.6, 39.8, 27.7, 26.4, 25.8, 22.0, 17.7, 15.9; IR (neat) 3450, 2975,  $1605, 1537, 1487, 1452, 1350, 1263, 1166, 1042, 930 \text{ cm}^{-1};$ HRMS m/z (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>34</sub>O<sub>6</sub>: 502.2355. Found: 502.2357.

**Compound 25.** A mixture of **12** (1.862 g, 10.0 mmol), Methyl iodide (5.678 g, 40.0 mmol), and  $K_2CO_3$  (3.455 g,

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25.0 mmol) in dry acetone (80 mL) was stirred for 9 h at 0 °C. Evaporation of acetone, addition of 3 N HCl solution (18 mL), and extraction with EtOAc ( $3 \times 50$  mL), washing with brine (50 mL), and removal of the solvent followed by flash column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/isopropanol (50:1) gave **25** (0.820 g, 45%) as a white solid: mp 208-210 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  9.03 (br s, OH), 8.26 (s, OH), 5.79 (s, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 1.80 (s, 3H); IR (KBr) 3349, 3011, 2934, 1628, 1449, 1372, 1295, 1109, 808, 594 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

Compound 26 and 27. To a solution of 25 (0.500 g, 2.74 mmol) and 3-methyl-2-butenal (0.277 g, 3.29 mmol) in xylene (10 mL) was added ethylenediamine diacetate (0.099 g, 0.55 mmol). The reaction mixture was refluxed for 4 h. Evaporation of solvent and purification by column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (20:1) gave 26 (0.510 g, 75%) and 27 (0.100 g, 15%). 26: a yellow solid: mp 130-132 °C;<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  6.54 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.64(s, OH), 5.43 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 203.6, 163.3, 155.9, 154.9, 125.1, 116.4, 105.9, 102.1, 101.4, 77.7, 33.2, 27.7, 7.0; IR (KBr) 3280, 2972, 2931, 2727, 2550, 1599, 1430, 1374, 1307, 1235, 1123, 973, 826, 734, 675, 616, 555 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS m/z (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 248.1049. Found: 248.1051. **27**: a yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 12.03 (brs, OH), 8.58 (s, OH), 6.58 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 2.66 (s, 3H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 1.40 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 203.6, 163.3, 158.7, 157.7, 125.7, 115.8, 104.7, 102.1, 101.5, 77.7, 33.0, 28.2, 6.9; IR (neat) 3395, 2972, 2931, 2736, 1611, 1434, 1374, 1286, 1184, 1126, 881, 741, 620 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS m/z (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 248.1049. Found: 248.1051.

Compound 28. Methoxymethyl chloride (0.130 g, 1.61 mmol) was added to a solution of 26 (0.400 g, 1.61 mmol) and diisopropylethylamine (0.815 g, 8.06 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 h and then water (15 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (3 × 30 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution (20 mL) and evaporated in vacuo. Flash chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (20:1) afforded 28 (0.460 g, 98%) as a yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 13.70 (s, OH), 6.43 (d, J=9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.43 (d, J=9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (s, 2H), 3.52 (s, 3H), 2.62 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.42 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 204.0, 163.2, 158.1, 154.4, 125.7, 117.5, 111.0, 108.0, 106.5, 99.6, 77.3, 57.7, 33.4, 27.4, 8.6; IR (neat) 3194, 2971, 1611, 1465, 1424, 1364, 1316, 1286, 1212, 1135, 1062, 1012, 958, 926, 864, 787, 738, 679, 618 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS m/z (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: 292.1311. Found: 292.1309.

**Compound 29.** To a solution of **28** (0.200 g, 0.68 mmol) in ethanol (8 mL) was added KOH (0.384 g, 6.84 mmol) and aldehyde **16** (0.087 g, 0.82 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48 h. Evaporation of ethanol, addition of 1N HCl (8 mL), extraction with EtOAc ( $3 \times 20$  mL), washing with brine (20 mL), and removal of the solvent followed by flash column chromatography on silica gel

using hexane/EtOAc (10:1) gave **29** (0.292 g, 85%) as a red solid: mp 115-116 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  13.91 (s, OH), 8.07 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.41-7.38 (m, 3H), 6.53 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.51 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  193.7, 164.0, 158.3, 153.9, 142.5, 135.4, 130.2, 129.0, 128.3, 127.5, 126.0, 117.8, 111.4, 108.7, 107.0, 99.8, 77.5, 57.9, 27.7, 8.9; IR (KBr) 2909, 2940, 1634, 1594, 1552, 1451, 1414, 1388, 1338, 1285, 1214, 1150, 1120, 1095, 1059, 1002, 966, 927, 872, 767, 724, 692 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS *m/z* (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: 380.1624. Found: 380.1627.

**Compound 30.** To a solution of **28** (0.100 g, 0.34 mmol) in ethanol (2 mL) was added KOH (0.096 g, 1.71 mmol) and p-tolualdehyde (0.049 g, 0.41 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48 h. Evaporation of ethanol, addition of water (10 mL) and 1N HCl (2 mL), extraction with EtOAc ( $3 \times 20$  mL), washing with brine (20 mL), and removal of the solvent followed by flash column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (10:1) gave **30** (0.128 g, 95%) as a red solid: mp 124-126 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.04 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.53 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.51 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (s, 2H), 3.58 (s, 3H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 1.52 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 193.7, 164.0, 158.2, 153.9, 142.7, 140.7, 132.7, 129.7, 128.3, 126.5, 125.9, 117.9, 111.4, 108.7, 99.7, 77.4, 57.9, 27.7, 21.5, 8.9; IR (KBr) 2976, 2930, 1633, 1592, 1550, 1464, 1414, 1391, 1337, 1284, 1150, 1128, 931, 816, 743, 683 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS m/z (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: 394.1780. Found: 394.1778.

Compound 31. To a solution of 28 (0.100 g, 0.34 mmol) in ethanol (2 mL) was added KOH (0.096 g, 1.71 mmol) and *m*-anisaldehyde (0.056 g, 0.41 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48 h. Evaporation of ethanol, addition of water (10 mL) and 1N HCl (2 mL), extraction with EtOAc ( $3 \times 20$  mL), washing with brine (20 mL), and removal of the solvent followed by flash column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (10:1) gave **31** (0.122 g, 87%) as a red oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  13.90 (brs, OH), 8.05 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, J = 7.5 Hz 1H), 7.19 (d, J = 7.8 Hz 1H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.53 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.51 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.02 (s, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.58 (s, 3H),2.11 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 193.7, 164.1, 159.9, 158.4, 153.9, 142.4, 136.8, 129.9, 127.7, 125.9, 121.1, 117.9, 116.3, 112.9, 111.5, 108.7, 106.9, 99.8, 77.5, 57.9, 55.2, 27.7, 8.9; IR (neat) 3047, 2969, 2932, 2837, 1628, 1600, 1549, 1418, 1340, 1285, 1257, 1149, 1129, 973, 932, 827, 734, 555, 507 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS m/z (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>6</sub>: 410.1729. Found: 410.1728.

**Compound 32.** To a solution of **28** (0.100 g, 0.34 mmol) in ethanol (2 mL) was added KOH (0.096 g, 1.71 mmol) and *p*-anisaldehyde (0.056 g, 0.41 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48 h. Evaporation of ethanol, addition of water (10 mL) and 1N HCl (2 mL), extraction with EtOAc ( $3 \times 20$  mL), washing with brine (20

mL), and removal of the solvent followed by flash column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (10:1) gave **32** (0.126 g, 90%) as a red solid: mp 81-82 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.91 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.7 Hz 2H), 6.85 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.47 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.44 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (s, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.51 (s, 3H), 2.04 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  193.6, 164.1, 161.4, 158.1, 153.8, 142.6, 130.0, 128.2, 125.8, 125.2, 117.9, 114.4, 111.4, 108.7, 106.9, 99.8, 77.4, 57.9, 55.4, 27.7, 8.9; IR (KBr) 3047, 2969, 2932, 2837, 1628, 1600, 1549, 1418, 1340, 1285, 1257, 1149, 1129, 973, 932, 827, 734, 555, 507 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS *m/z* (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>6</sub>: 410.1729.

Compound 33. To a solution of 28 (0.100 g, 0.34 mmol) in ethanol (2 mL) was added KOH (0.096 g, 1.71 mmol) and aldehyde 18 (0.068 g, 0.41 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48 h. Evaporation of ethanol, addition of water (10 mL) and 1N HCl (2 mL), extraction with EtOAc  $(3 \times 20 \text{ mL})$ , washing with brine (20 mL), and removal of the solvent followed by flash column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (10:1) gave 33 (0.147 g, 98%) as a red solid: mp 92-94 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 14.01 (brs OH), 7.88 (d, *J* = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (s, 1H), 6.78 (d, J = 8.4 Hz 1H), 6.43 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.42 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.91 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.81 (s, 3H),3.80 (s, 3H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 1.44 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 193.1, 163.9, 157.9, 153.5, 151.0, 149.0, 142.8, 128.1, 125.5, 124.9, 123.2, 117.8, 110.9, 109.1, 108.5, 108.4, 106.7, 99.5, 77.1, 57.6, 55.7, 55.5, 27.5, 8.7; IR (KBr) 3115, 3058, 2965, 2935, 2836, 1683, 1628, 1592, 1548, 1513, 1461, 1419, 1332, 1268, 1142, 1025, 930, 872, 842, 810, 732, 566 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS m/z (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>7</sub>: 440.1835. Found: 440.1833.

Red Compound (4). To a solution of 29 (0.100 g, 0.26 mmol) in methanol (8 mL) was added 3M HCl (2 ml) and the reaction mixture was refluxed for 0.5 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (12 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 × 30 mL). Removal of solvent at reduced pressure left an oily residue, which was then purified by column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (4:1) to give 4 (0.084 g, 95%) as a red solid: mp 105-107 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.11 (d, J= 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.60-7.57 (m, 2H), 7.43-7.37 (m, 3H), 6.58 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.73 (s, OH), 5.48 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 1.52 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 193.1, 164.2, 156.1, 154.3, 142.1, 135.5, 130.0, 128.9, 128.2, 127.6, 125.1, 116.6, 106.3, 102.5, 101.8, 77.7, 27.8, 7.1; IR (KBr) 3418, 2973, 2928, 1625, 1597, 1550, 1463, 1425, 1345, 1291, 1218, 1168, 1131, 977, 924, 884, 863, 804, 763, 742, 702 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS m/z (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 336.1362. Found: 336.1361.

**Compound 8.** To a solution of **30** (0.100 g, 0.25 mmol) in ethanol (8 mL) was added 3M HCl (2 mL) and the reaction mixture was refluxed for 0.5 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (12 mL) and extracted

with EtOAc (3 × 30 mL). Removal of solvent at reduced pressure left an oily residue, which was then purified by column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (4:1) to give **8** (0.084 g, 95%) as a red solid: mp 134-136 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.32 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (brs, OH), 5.70 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 1.76 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  193.1, 164.2, 156.2, 154.3, 142.2, 140.4, 132.8, 129.6, 128.2, 126.6, 125.0, 116.7, 106.1, 102.7, 101.9, 77.4, 27.7, 21.4, 7.1; IR (KBr) 3426, 3050, 3023, 2975, 2922, 2858, 1625, 1593, 1550, 1467, 1423, 1347, 1293, 1167, 1102, 975, 811, 739 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS *m/z* (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 350.1518. Found: 350.1519.

Compound 9. To a solution of 31 (0.100 g, 0.25 mmol) in ethanol (8 mL) was added 3M HCl (2 mL) and the reaction mixture was refluxed for 0.5 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (12 mL) and extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 30$  mL). Removal of solvent at reduced pressure left an oily residue, which was then purified by column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (4:1) to give 9 (0.080 g, 90%) as a red solid: mp 135-136 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  13.94 (brs, OH), 8.09 (d, J =15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 6.93 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.56 (brs, OH), 5.48 (d, J= 9.6 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 1.53 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 193.0, 164.2, 159.9, 156.0, 154.3, 142.0, 137.0, 130.0, 127.9, 125.1, 121.0, 116.6, 116.1, 112.8, 106.3, 102.4, 101.8, 77.7, 55.2, 27.8, 7.1; IR (KBr) 3365, 3066, 2967, 2924, 1624, 1602, 1535, 1464, 1427, 1355, 1325, 1259, 1166, 1132, 809 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS *m/z* (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: 366.1467. Found: 366.1466.

**Compound 10.** To a solution of **32** (0.100 g, 0.24 mmol) in ethanol (8 mL) was added 3M HCl (2 mL) and the reaction mixture was refluxed for 0.5 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (12 mL) and extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 30$  mL). Removal of solvent at reduced pressure left an oily residue, which was then purified by column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (4:1) to give **10** (0.079 g, 88%) as a red oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.00 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, J = 7.8 Hz 2H), 6.91 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.58 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.72 (brs, OH), 5.47 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 1.52 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  193.0, 164.2, 161.3, 155.8, 154.2, 142.1, 129.9, 128.4, 125.3, 125.0, 116.7, 114.4, 106.3, 102.5, 101.8, 77.5, 55.3, 27.8, 7.1; IR (neat) 3434, 3122, 3054, 2971,

2930, 2841, 1604, 1548, 1463, 1423, 1351, 1296, 1256, 1166, 1130, 1031, 981, 825, 739 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS m/z (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: 366.1467. Found: 366.1469.

Compound 11. To a solution of 33 (0.100 g, 0.23 mmol) in ethanol (8 mL) was added 3M HCl (2 mL) and the reaction mixture was refluxed for 0.5 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution (12 mL) and extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 30$  mL). Removal of solvent at reduced pressure left an oily residue, which was then purified by column chromatography on silica gel using hexane/EtOAc (4:1) to give 11 (0.087 g, 97%) as a red solid: mp 122-123 <sup>o</sup>C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.99 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 6.85 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (brs, OH), 5.45 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 2.04 (s, 3H), 1.50 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 192.8, 164.2, 156.1, 154.1, 150.9, 149.0, 142.4, 128.5, 125.3, 124.8, 123.1, 116.8, 111.0, 109.3, 106.2, 102.7, 101.9, 77.4, 55.9, 55.6, 27.7, 7.1; IR (KBr) 3437, 2969, 2934, 2840, 1704, 1595, 1513, 1463, 1423, 1359, 1336, 1264, 1165, 1100, 1024, 840, 811, 732 cm<sup>-1</sup>; HRMS m/z (M<sup>+</sup>) calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>6</sub>: 396.1573. Found: 396.1573.

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