An Enantioconvergent and Concise Synthesis of Lasonolide A

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- Lasonolide A (4) was identified by McConnell and coworkers from the Caribbean orange-red marine sponge *Frocepia* sp.
- The complex macrolide exhibited promising activity for the treatment of pancreatic cancer, with a mode of action (MOA) distinct from that of most other cancer drugs, which highlights its potential as a valuable drug in the treatment of multidrug-resistant cancer cell lines.
- This synthesis uses alkylborane as a traceless protecting group for protecting alcohol and carboxylic acid functional groups.
- Stereocenters are initially introduced through an initial enzymatic kinetic resolution, where each resolved stereoisomer is used to synthesize half of the target molecule The two halves, as well as additional components, are put together through Wittig, Horner-Wadsworth-Emmonds, and Julia olefinations.





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Retrosynthesis





















Ozonolysis







