

Communication



## Total Synthesis of Salimabromide: A Tetracyclic Polyketide from a Marine Myxobacterium

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- Antibiotic polyketide previously isolated by König in 2013 from *Enhygromyxa salina*, which is a marine myxobacteria.
- Unprecedented tetracyclic ring-architecture:
  - Four consecutive stereocenters, one of which is a quaternary carbon center.
  - Highly-substituted seven-membered ring.
  - Conformational rigid due to five-membered lactone.

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Salimabromide

## **Retrosynthetic Analysis:**



2







Wagner-Meerwein Rearrangement:





**TBDPS** Protection:





5

HO

CI





Dess-Martin Oxidation:



## Wittig Olefination:







Riley Oxidation:





Bromination:



## Conclusions:

- First total synthesis of salimabromide, a tetracyclic polyketide.
- 16 steps with an overall yield of 3.7%.
- Robust and practical transformations.
  - 1.9 g of the highly-advanced intermediate **2** was prepared from a single 10 g batch of 3-methoxybenzaldehyde.