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Aore structurally diverse variants also isolated from *Streptomyces antimycoticus* NT17

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Biological Activity



MRSA = methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* VREF = vancomycin-resistant *Enteracoccus faecium*

- Napyradiomycins generally display antibiotic activity against gram-positive bacteria.
- Cytoxic against human colon carcinoma HCT-116 cell line.

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Previous Synthesis



- Only (±)-A1 had been synthesized previously.
- 13 steps longest linear sequence from 2,4-dihydroxybenzoic acid.

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(+)-A1 Retrosynthesis



- Enantioselective chlorination to control stereochemistry of all subsequent steps.
- Required development of an asymmetric alkene chlorination protocol.
- Tricyclic core formed by cyclization of 3-methylcrotonaldehyde with flaviolin.

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- Alkali fusion reaction performed using a eutectic salt bath of KNO₃, NaNO₂, and NaNO₃.
- Air-oxidation of the tetrahydroxynaphthalene intermediate produced the natural product flaviolin.
- Selective MOMCI protection achieved using the conditions shown; longer reaction times or higher MOMCI equivalencies led to bis-protection.



- Ligand S-enantiomer synthesized in four steps from 2-acetylphenanthrene.
- Anti-chlorination of the substrate alkene confirmed by X-ray crystallography.
- Absolute stereochemistry determined in the final product to be opposite that in naturally-occurring A1; use of ligand *R*-enantiomer led to natural configuration.
- Ligand could be recovered and recycled when THF was used as solvent; the ligand itself was chlorinated in all other solvents tested.



- Chloride displacement proceeded with retention of stereochemistry.
- Erosion of ee observed (5–8%) at reaction scales >0.026 mmol; step 1 run in a parallel series of ten reactions to bring material forward.



- Johnson-Claisen only variant of the Claisen rearrangement found effective.
- Reaction required prior methylation of the remaining aryl hydroxyl group.

Forward Synthesis MeO HO MeO Ο MeO HO Н Н "/CI "CI ″CI DIBAL-H (3.5 equiv.) toluene, -78 °C, 30 min MOMO MOMO MOMO `О 0 ö Ô Ô ÓМе Ö ÓН 6 7 8 53% 30% ⁿBuLi (3.45 equiv.) $\Theta^{\oplus}_{PPh_3}$ THF, -78 °C, 30 min 1. –78 °C to 25 °C DMP (2.0 equiv.) over 1.5 h NaHCO₃ (excess) CH₂Cl₂, 25 °C, 2. MnO₂ (10 equiv.) 3.5 equiv. CH₂Cl₂, 25 °C, 15 h 30 min MeO MeO 0 CI C MOMO MOMO ()5 min Ô 0 DIBAL-H = diisobutyl aluminum hydride O 9 DMP = Dess-Martin periodinane 76% 10 1.7:1 E:Z ⁿBuLi (1.45 equiv.) Θ [∼]PPh₃ 34% from 9 THF, -78 °C, 30 min 70% from **7** over two steps 1.5 equiv.

- Wittig reagent prepared from 5-chloropentan-1-ol in five steps.
- Mixture of **7** and **8** could be jointly oxidized to **9**, followed by Wittig reaction to **10**; longer Wittig reaction times resulted in olefination of the ketone groups in **9**.
- Other olefination reactions, including Julia-Kocienski and cross-metathesis, were ineffective.
- Alternatively, isolated 7 could undergo Wittig reaction followed by oxidation to give 10 in higher yield. 10

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NCS = *N*-chlorosuccinimide PPTS = pyridinium *p*-toluenesulfonate

• Alkene isomers of **11** separable on preparative TLC.

Summary

- Asymmetric synthesis of (–)-Napyradiomycin A1 (enantiomer of naturallyoccurring compound).
- 15 steps longest linear sequence.
- Protocol for enantioselective chlorination of isolated alkene developed to control stereochemistry for remainder of the synthesis.
- Quaternary stereocenter generated through Johnson-Claisen rearrangement.



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