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Stereoselective synthesis of 17,18-epoxy derivative of EPA and stereoisomers of isoleukotoxin diol by ring opening of TMS-substituted epoxide with dimsyl sodium

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Fig. S1 Chemical shifts of the acetonide methyl groups in the ¹H NMR spectra.



Fig. S2 Chemical shifts of the acetonide methyl groups in the ¹³C NMR spectra.

Synthesis of phosphonium salt 7

4-Chlorobut-2-yn-1-ol (20)



To a solution of but-2-yne-1,4-diol (2.09 g, 24.2 mmol) in benzene (2.4 mL) was added pyridine (2.14 mL, 26.7 mmol). The mixture was stirred for 10 min, and SOCl₂ (1.92 mL, 26.6 mmol) was added dropwise over a period of 30 min. The mixture was stirred overnight at rt, poured into ice-water. The benzene layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were washed with saturated NaHCO₃ and then with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated to give a residue, which was purified by chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc 6:1) to afford chloride **20** (1.28 g, 51%): liquid; R_f = 0.23 (hexane/EtOAc 4:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.51 (br s, 1 H), 4.20 (t, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 2 H), 4.34 (t *J* = 1.8 Hz, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 30.4, 50.9, 80.5, 84.7. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were identical with those reported.^{S1}

Methyl 10-hydroxydeca-5,8-diynoate (22)



To a mixture of chloride **20** (1.50 g, 14.4 mmol), NaI (2.80 g, 18.7 mmol), CuI (3.56 g, 18.7 mmol), and Cs₂CO₃ (6.60 g, 18.7 mmol) in DMF (29 mL) were added methyl hex-5-ynote (**21**) (2.36 g, 18.7 mmol). After being stirred overnight at rt, the mixture was diluted with EtOAc, filtered through a pad of Celite. The filtrate was washed with saturated NH₄Cl. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc three times. The combined extracts were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated to give a residue, which was purified by chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc 2:1) to afford diyne **22** (1.69 g, 60%): liquid; R_f = 0.33 (hexane/EtOAc 3:2); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.82 (quint., J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 2.13 (br s, 1 H), 2.24 (tt, J = 7.2, 2.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.45 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 3.19 (quint., J = 2.4 Hz, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.9, 18.2, 23.8, 32.9, 51.3, 51.7, 74.5, 78.6, 79.8, 80.5, 173.8. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were identical with those reported.

Methyl 10-bromodeca-5,8-diynoate (23)



To an ice-cod solution of diyne **22** (1.68 g, 8.65 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (17 mL) were added PPh₃ (3.16 g, 9.51 mmol) and CBr₄ (2.49 g, 9.51 mmol). After being stirred at 0 °C for 3 h, the mixture was diluted with hexane/EtOAc (1:1), filtered through a plug of silica gel. The filtrate was concentrated to give a residue, which was purified by chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc 5:1) to afford bromide **23** (1.89 g, 85%): liquid; $R_f = 0.50$ (hexane/EtOAc 5:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.82 (quint., J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H), 2.24 (tt, J = 7.1, 2.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.44 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H), 3.22 (quint., J = 2.4 Hz, 2 H), 3.69 (s, 3 H), 3.92 (t, J = 2.4 Hz, 2

2 H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.1, 14.9, 18.2, 23.8, 32.9, 51.7, 73.9, 75.4, 80.0, 81.9, 173.7. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were identical with those reported.^{S2}

Methyl 14-hydroxytetradeca-5,8,11-triynoate (24)



To a mixture of 3-butyn-1-ol (0.20 mL, 5.4 mmol), NaI (811 mg, 5.41 mmol), CuI (1.02 g, 5.36 mmol), and Cs₂CO₃ (1.91 g, 5.36 mmol) in DMF (7.0 mL) was added bromide **23** (1.07 g, 4.16 mmol) in DMF (7.0 mL). After being stirred overnight at rt, the mixture was diluted with EtOAc, filtered through a pad of Celite. The filtrate was washed with saturated NH₄Cl. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc three times. The combined extracts were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated to give a residue, which was purified by chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc 2:1) to afford triyne **24** (789 mg, 77%): liquid; R_f = 0.27 (hexane/EtOAc 2:1); IR (neat) 3447, 1733, 1218 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.82 (quint., J = 7.3 Hz, 2 H), 2.24 (tt, J = 7.3, 2.1 Hz, 2 H), 2.39–2.52 (m, 4 H), 3.11–3.19 (m, 4 H), 3.68 (s, 3 H), 3.71 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 2 H); ¹³C–APT NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.78 (–), 9.86 (–), 18.2 (–), 23.1 (–), 23.8 (–), 32.9 (–), 51.7 (+), 61.1 (–), 74.6 (–), 74.8 (–), 75.0 (–), 76.1 (–), 77.3 (–), 79.6 (–), 173.8 (–); HRMS (FAB⁺) calcd for C₁₅H₁₈O₃Na [(M+Na)⁺] 269.1154, found 269.1150. The ¹H spectrum was identical with that reported.^{S3}

Methyl (5Z,8Z,11Z)-14-hydroxytetradeca-5,8,11-trienoate (25)



To a solution of Ni(OAc)₂·4H₂O (550 mg, 2.21 mmol) in MeOH (2.7 mL) was added NaBH₄ (89 mg, 2.35 mmol). The flask was purged with hydrogen and ethylenediamine (0.247 mL, 3.66 mmol) was added to the mixture. After 10 min, triyne **24** (451 mg, 1.83 mmol) in MeOH (1.0 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred at rt for 3.5 h, and diluted with hexane/EtOAc (1:1), filtered through a pad of silica gel. The filtrate was washed with saturated NH₄Cl. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc three times. The combined extracts were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated to give a residue, which was purified by chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc 5:2) to afford triene **25** (215 mg, 47%): liquid; R_f = 0.28 (hexane/EtOAc 3:1); IR (neat) 3413, 1737, 1438, 1049 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.70 (quint, J = 7.3 Hz, 2 H), 2.06–2.18 (m, 2 H), 2.33 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2 H), 2.30–2.43 (m, 2 H), 2.77–2.89 (m, 4 H), 3.66 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.67 (s, 3 H), 5.28–5.59 (m, 6 H); ¹³C–APT NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.7 (–), 25.6 (–), 25.7 (–), 26.5 (–), 30.8 (–), 33.4 (–), 51.5 (+), 62.1 (–), 125.6 (+), 127.9 (+), 128.3 (+), 128.8 (+), 128.9 (+), 130.8 (+), 174.3 (–); HRMS (FAB⁺) calcd for C₁₅H₂₄O₃Na [(M+Na)⁺] 275.1623, found 275.1622. The ¹H spectrum was identical with that reported.⁸³

Methyl (5Z,8Z,11Z)-14-(triphenylphosphonio)tetradeca-5,8,11-trienoate (7)



To an ice-cold solution of triene **25** (541 mg, 2.14 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (4.3 mL) were added imidazole (200 mg, 2.94 mmol), PPh₃ (740 mg, 2.82 mmol), and I₂ (624 mg, 2.46 mmol). After 3.5 h at 0 °C, the solution was diluted with petroleum ether/ether (4:1) and filtered through a pad of silica gel to afford iodide (637 mg, 82%): liquid; $R_f = 0.70$ (hexane/EtOAc 5:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.71 (quint., J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 2.04–2.18 (m, 2 H), 2.33 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 2.67 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 2.74–2.88 (m, 4 H), 3.16 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 3.67 (s, 3 H), 5.30–5.47 (m, 5 H), 5.53 (J = 10.5, 7.3, 1.2 Hz, 1 H). The ¹H spectrum was identical with that reported.^{S3}

A solution of the above iodide (637 mg, 1.76 mmol) and PPh₃ (690 mg, 2.63 mmol) in MeCN (11 mL) was refluxed overnight. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the oily residue was washed with hexane/benzene (1:1, 1 mL) ten times. The solvent was removed and oily residue was dried by vacuum pump overnight to afford phosphonium salt 7 (1.07 g, 98%): gum; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.68 (quint., J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 2.05 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2 H), 2.30 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 2.40–2.56 (m, 2 H), 2.53–2.71 (m, 4 H), 3.65 (s, 3 H), 3.79–3.91 (m, 2 H), 5.14–5.46 (m, 1 H), 5.65 (dtm, J = 10.5, 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 7.66–7.92 (m, 15 H). The ¹H spectrum was identical with that reported.^{S3}

Synthesis of phosphonium salt 27

Methyl 9-hydroxynonanoate

 HO_2C CO_2Me \longrightarrow HO CO_2Me

To a solution of azelaic acid monomethyl ester (56 mg, 0.28 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL) was added BH₃·THF (1.0 M in THF, 0.28 mL, 0.28 mmol) at -10 °C (ice-salt bath). The solution was stirred at -10 °C to rt for 2 h and cooled to 0 °C. The reaction was quenched by adding H₂O (2 mL) and K₂CO₃ (73 mg, 0.53 mmol). After 15 min of stirring at 0 °C, the resulting mixture was extracted with EtOAc three times. The combined extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated to give a residue, which was purified by chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc) to afford methyl 9-hydroxynonanoate (43 mg, 82%): liquid; *R*_f 0.52 (hexane/EtOAc 2:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.24–1.42 (m, 8 H), 1.50–1.72 (m, 4 H), 2.31 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 3.64 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2 H), 3.67 (s, 3 H). The ¹H NMR spectrum was consistent with that reported.^{S4}

Methyl 9-iodononanoate

$$HO$$
 CO_2Me CO_2Me CO_2Me

To an ice-cold solution of imidazole (27 mg, 0.40 mmol) and PPh₃ (79 mg, 0.30 mmol) in $CH_2Cl_2(1 \text{ mL})$ was added I₂ (73 mg, 0.29 mmol). After 30 min of stirring at 0 °C, a solution of methyl 9-hydroxynonanoate (39 mg, 0.21 mmol) in $CH_2Cl_2(1 \text{ mL})$ was added. The mixture was stirred at rt for 2 h and diluted with aqueous Na₂S₂O₃. The resulting

mixture was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ twice. The combined extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated to give a residue, which was purified by chromatography on silica gel (hexane/EtOAc) to afford methyl 9-iodononanoate (51 mg, 82%): liquid; R_f 0.77 (hexane/EtOAc 2:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.23–1.46 (m, 8 H), 1.56–1.70 (m, 2 H), 1.82 (quint., J = 7.2 Hz, 2 H), 2.31 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 3.19 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2 H), 3.67 (s, 3 H); ¹³C–APT NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.2 (–), 24.8 (–), 28.3 (–), 29.0 (–), 30.4 (–), 33.5 (–), 34.0 (–), 51.4 (+), 174.1 (–). The ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR spectra were consistent with those reported.^{S5}

(9-Methoxy-9-oxononyl)triphenylphosphonium iodide (27)

$$I \longrightarrow CO_2 Me \longrightarrow IPh_3 P \longrightarrow CO_2 Me$$

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A mixture of methyl 9-iodononanoate (51 mg, 0.17 mmol) and PPh₃ (78 mg, 0.30 mmol) in MeCN (5 mL) was heated under reflux overnight, cooled to rt, and concentrated. The residue was purified by chromatography on silica gel (CHCl₃/MeOH) to give phosphonium salt **27** (82 mg, 85%): yellow oil; R_f 0.40 (CHCl₃/MeOH 10:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.14–1.40 (m, 6 H), 1.50–1.74 (m, 6 H), 2.26 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2 H), 3.58–3.78 (m, 2 H), 3.65 (s, 3 H), 7.66–8.00 (m, 15 H). The ¹H NMR spectrum was consistent with that reported. ^{S5}

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Determination of the enantiomeric purity of **19** Condition : Chiralcel AD-H, hexane/*i*-PrOH = 99/1, 1.0 mL/min, 35 °C



Figure S2. racemic compound 19











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