

Total Synthesis of Epothilone E and Related Side-chain Modified Analogues via a Stille Coupling Based Strategy[†]

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Abstract—A Stille coupling strategy has been utilized to complete a total synthesis of epothilone E from vinyl iodide 7 and thiazole-stannane 8h. The central core fragment 7 and its *trans*-isomer 11 were prepared from triene 15 using ring-closing metathesis (RCM), and were subsequently coupled to a variety of alternative stannanes to provide a library of epothilone analogues 18a−o and 19a−o. The Stille coupling approach was then used to prepare epothilone B analogues from the key macrolactone intermediate 24 which was itself synthesized by a macrolactonization based strategy. ⊚ 1999 Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.

Introduction

The epothilones $(1-5, Fig. 1)^{1,2}$ have elicited widespread interest and excitement in both biological and chemical arenas due to their potent cytotoxicity, and more importantly, the mechanism by which they exert this effect. Like Taxol[®], the epothilones promote the polymerization of α - and β -tubulin subunits and stabilize the resulting microtubule assembly. 1-4 Since microtubules play an important role in many cellular processes, including cell division, disruption of their regular behavior is detrimental and can ultimately result in cell death. Recent biological studies³ have revealed that the epothilones are more potent than Taxol[®], and more significantly, that they retain activity against both Taxol[®]-resistant and other multidrug-resistant cell lines. These important biological properties, coupled with their interesting and novel molecular structures have made the epothilones the target of numerous synthetic endeavors. 5-10 These studies have culminated in the total synthesis of epothilones A, 5a,c , $^{6a-e,7}$ B, 5b,c , 6c,e C, 5a,c , $^{6a-e,7}$ D, 5b,c , 6c,e and E^{6f} and of a large number of related analogues.9,10

We recently reported, in a preliminary communication, ^{6f} the first total synthesis of epothilone E (3) by a strategy in which the key step was a Stille coupling ¹¹

between vinyl iodide 7 and the thiazole moiety (8h, Fig. 2a). The macrolactone core fragment 7, which was prepared via ring-closing olefin metathesis (RCM), ^{12,13} could subsequently be used to provide convenient and flexible access to a variety of side-chain modified epothilone analogues (9) for biological evaluation (Fig. 2b). The RCM reaction used to access 7 also provided *trans*-macrolactone (11, Fig. 2b) which could serve as an alternative template for the Stille coupling process and provide an additional array of analogues of 10.

We now wish to report a full account of the synthetic efforts involved in this work and to present an extension of the Stille coupling protocol to the synthesis of a number of side-chain modified analogues of epothilone R

Results and Discussion

The chemical synthesis of the requisite vinyl iodides 7 and 11 is delineated in Scheme 1. Asymmetric allylboration of aldehyde 12¹⁴ [(+)-Ipc₂B(allyl), Et₂O, -100°C] using Brown's methodology¹⁵ provided the enantiopure alcohol 13 in 91% yield. Subsequent coupling (DCC, 4-DMAP, toluene, 0 to 25°C) with a 3:2 mixture of alcohols 14a and 14b used in our previous synthesis of epothilone A^{6a,d} afforded metathesis precursor 15a (49% yield) and its readily separable 6S,7R diastereoisomer (15b, 33% yield, not shown). In an analogous fashion to our previous studies,^{6a,c,d,f,10f} RCM was achieved using the ruthenium initiator

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Figure 1. Structures and numbering of epothilones A-E and C12,13-trans-epothilone C.

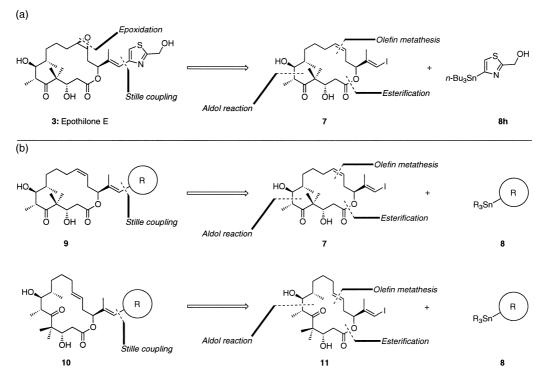


Figure 2. (a) Retrosynthetic analysis and strategy for the total synthesis of epothilone E (3) and (b) side-chain modified analogues of epothilone C (9) and its $\Delta^{12,13}$ trans-isomer (10).

[RuCl₂(=CHPh)(PCy₃)₂]¹³ (CH₂Cl₂, 25°C) to provide the Z- and E-macrolactones **16** (35%) and **17** (30%). Separation and subsequent deprotection (HF•pyr., THF, 25°C) of the individual isomers provided pure core structures **7** (84%) and **11** (85%), setting the stage for the all-important Stille coupling reaction.

The stannane coupling partners used in the Stille reaction are shown in Scheme 1. Thiazole stannanes **8k**, **8l**, and **8o** were obtained from commercial sources, whereas stannanes **8e–8g**¹⁶ and **8m,n**¹⁷ were prepared using established procedures. The remaining coupling partners **8a–d**, **8h–j**, and additional stannanes **8p–r** were prepared from readily accessible 2,4-dibromothiazole¹⁸ (**20**) via monobromides **21** as outlined in Schemes 2 and 3. Thus, formation of thiazole **21a** (Scheme 2) was achieved via a three-step process commencing with a Sonogashira coupling¹⁹ between dibromide **20** and pentyn-1-ol [Pd(PPh₃)₄, CuI, *i*-Pr₂NH, 70°C] to give an intermediate alkyne in 83% yield. Catalytic hydrogenation (H₂, PtO₂, EtOH, 25°C) and subsequent esterification (Ac₂O, pyr., CH₂Cl₂, 25°C) afforded the desired

monobromide (21a) in 83% yield for two steps. Sulfide 21b was obtained in 92% yield by replacing the 2-bromo substituent of 20 with the thiomethyl moiety using sodium thiomethoxide (EtOH, 25°C). Alternatively, reaction of dibromide 20 with piperidine at 50°C afforded thiazole 21c in a quantitative yield. Finally, the ethoxy and methoxy thiazoles 21d and 21p were prepared by treating dibromide 20 with NaOH in ethanol and methanol, respectively. Bromides (21a-c,p) were then transformed to the desired trimethylstannanes (8a**c,p**) with hexamethylditin under palladium catalyzed conditions (Pd(PPh₃)₄, toluene, 80–100°C), whereas tri*n*-butylstannane **8d** was obtained from ethoxybromide **21d** by halogen-metal exchange (*n*-BuLi, Et₂O, -78°C) and subsequent trapping with tri-n-butyltin chloride in 98% yield.

The synthesis of stannanes (**8h–j** and **8q–r**) was also achieved from the common precursor **20** (Scheme 3). Thus, palladium catalyzed alkenylation [*n*-Bu₃SnCH=CH₂, Pd(PPh₃)₄, toluene, 100°C] of 2,4-dibromothiazole **20** afforded monobromide **21q**, which underwent halogen—

metal exchange (n-BuLi, Et₂O, -78° C) and subsequent quenching with tri-n-butyltin chloride to furnish the desired stannane **8q**. Reduction of the intermediate vinyl bromide **21q** (H₂, PtO₂, EtOH, 25°C) provided access to ethyl thiazole **21r**, which was converted into stannane **8r** in an identical manner to that described for **8q**. The synthesis of stannanes **8h**-j was achieved via the key hydroxymethyl thiazole **21h**. This alcohol was itself obtained from dibromide **20** in a two-step process involving lithiation (n-BuLi, Et₂O, -78° C) and subsequent quenching with DMF to give intermediate

Scheme 1. Synthesis of common intermediates 7 and 11 and desoxyepothilones 18a–o and 19a–o. Reagents and conditions: (a) 1.3 equiv of (+)-Ipc₂B(allyl), Et₂O, -100° C, 0.5 h, 91%; (b) 2.0 equiv of 13, 1.5 equiv of DCC, 1.5 equiv of 4-DMAP, toulene, $0 \rightarrow 25^{\circ}$ C, 12 h, 49% of 15a plus 33% of its (6S,7R)-diastereoisomer 15b; (c) 10 mol% of RuCl₂(=CHPh)(PCy₃)₂, CH₂Cl₂, 25° C, 30 h, 35% of 16 plus 30% of 17; (d) 25% v/v HF·pyr. in THF, 25° C, 30 h, 84% of 7; 85% of 11; (e) procedure A: 2.0 equiv of 8, 5–10 mol% Pd(PPh₃)₄, toulene, 90– 100° C, 15–40 min, 39–88%; procedure B: 2.0–2.2 equiv of 8, 20–30 mol% Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂, DMF, 25° C, 12–33 h, 49–94%. TBS = tert-butyldimethylsilyl; DCC = dicyclohexylcarbodiimide; 4-DMAP = 4-dimethylaminopyridine; pyr. = pyridine.

aldehyde **22**, which was then reduced (NaBH₄, MeOH, 25°C) to furnish the desired alcohol **21h** in 63% overall yield. Conversion of **21h** into stannane **8h** required a three-step sequence involving protection of the hydroxyl group (TBSCl, imidazole, CH₂Cl₂, 96%), stannylation (i. *n*-BuLi, Et₂O, -78°C; ii. *n*-Bu₃SnCl, 85%) and subsequent deprotection (TBAF, THF, 25°C, 95%). Fluorination of the resulting stannane **8h** (DAST, CH₂Cl₂, -78°C) provided direct access to stannane **8j** in 57% yield. Esterification of the key alcohol **21h** (4-DMAP, Ac₂O, EtOAc, 25°C) afforded acetate **21i** which was converted into stannane **8i** with hexamethylditin [Pd(PPh₃)₄, toluene, 100°C] in 41% overall yield.

With the necessary components in hand, the critical Stille couplings could now be investigated. In the event, two alternative sets of reaction conditions proved

Scheme 2. Preparation of stannanes 8a–d and 8p. Reagents and conditions: (a) i. 1.2 equiv of $HC\equiv C(CH_2)_3OH$, 0.05 equiv of $Pd(PPh_3)_4$, 0.1 equiv of CuI, i- Pr_2NH , F_2 0°C, 2h, 83%; ii. F_2 0°C, 1 equiv of F_2 0°C, 2h, 83%; ii. F_2 0°C, 3.0 equiv of F_2 0°C, 2h, 100%; iii. 2.0 equiv of F_2 0°C, 3.0 equiv of F_2 0°C, 2h, 92%; (c) piperidine (0.1 M), 50°C, 8h, 100%; (d) 13 equiv of F_2 0°C, 2h, 82%; (e) piperidine (0.1 M), 50°C, 8h, 100%; (d) 13 equiv of F_2 0°C, 16h, 82%; (f) 5–10 equiv of F_2 0°C, 30h, 91%; (e) 13 equiv of F_2 0°C, 16h, 82%; (f) 5–10 equiv of F_2 0°C, 30h, 81–100%; (g) 1.1 equiv of F_2 1°C, 20h, 1.2 equiv of F_2 1°C, 30 min, 98%.

Scheme 3. Preparation of stannanes 8h–j and 8q–s. Reagents and conditions: (a) 1.05 equiv of n-Bu₃SnCH = CH₂, toluene, 100°C, 21 h, 83%; (b) 1.1–1.2 equiv of n-BuLi, 1.2–1.25 equiv of n-Bu₃SnCl, $-78 \rightarrow 25^{\circ}$ C, 1 h, 28–85%; (c) H₂, 0.15 equiv of PtO₂, EtOH, 25°C, 4 h, 84%; (d) 1.2 equiv of n-BuLi, 2.0 equiv of DMF, $-78 \rightarrow 25^{\circ}$ C, 2 h; (e) 1.9 equiv of NaBH₄, MeOH, 25°C, 30 min, 63% for two steps; (f) 1.3 equiv of TBSCl, 2.0 equiv of imidazole, CH₂Cl₂, 25°C, 0.5 h, 96%; (g) 1.2 equiv of 4-DMAP, 3.2 equiv of Ac₂O, EtOAc, 25°C, 5 min, 91%; (h) 1.2 equiv of TBAF, THF, 25°C, 20 min, 95%; (i) 10 equiv of Me₃SnSnMe₃, 7 mol% of Pd(PPh₃)₄, toulene, 100°C, 25 min, 45%; (j) 1.1 equiv of DAST, CH₂Cl₂, $-78 \rightarrow 25^{\circ}$ C, 10 min, 57%. DAST = diethylamino sulfurtrifluoride; TBAF = tetra-n-butylammonium fluoride.

adequate (Scheme 1). Procedure A involved heating a toluene solution of the desired vinyl iodide (7 or 11) with the appropriate stannane 8 in the presence of catalytic Pd(PPh₃)₄ at 90–100°C for between 15 and 40 min. This protocol was used to couple stannanes 8a–c, 8e–i, and 8n. The remaining stannanes, 8d, 8j–m, and 8o²⁰ were coupled using an alternative, milder method, procedure B, in which a mixture of vinyl iodide (7 or 11) and stannane 8 in DMF was treated with Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ at 25°C.

The coupling of vinyl iodide 7 and stannane 8h provided macrolactone 18h which served as the precursor to the natural epothilone E (3) (Scheme 4). The total synthesis was completed by epoxidation with in situ generated methylperoxycarboximidic acid²¹ (H₂O₂, KHCO₃, MeCN, MeOH, 25°C) furnishing epothilone E (3) (66% based on 50% conversion), which exhibited identical physical characteristics (¹H and ¹³C NMR) to those kindly provided by Professor G. Höfle GBF, Braunshweig, Germany.

At this stage, we postulated that the Stille coupling approach could be extended to provide facile access to a variety of side-chain modified analogues of epothilone B (2). The impetus for this development was twofold. Firstly, epothilone B is the most active of the epothilones and, therefore, warranted further investigation. Secondly, the C26 position of this compound has already proven to be a fertile site for modification, 9b,10a,b and we felt that analogues possessing a combination of these two variables could be interesting for further biological evaluation. The retrosynthetic analysis of epothilone analogues possessing these dual modifications is shown in Figure 3 and requires the preparation of the crucial vinyl iodide core fragment 24. A macrolactonization strategy similar to that used in our synthesis of epothilone B^{6b,c,e} and a variety of epothilone analogues 10a-c,e was thought to be most suitable for this task.

The synthesis began from the vinyl iodide 13 (Scheme 5) which we had used in the preparation of epothilone E and related analogues (Scheme 1). Protection of the allylic hydroxyl group (TBSCl, imidazole, DMF, 0 to 25°C) afforded silyl ether 25 (84%) which was transformed into aldehyde 26 by a two-step dihydroxylation—glycol-cleavage sequence (OsO₄, NMO, THF/t-BuOH/H₂O, 0 to 25°C; then NaIO₄, MeOH/H₂O, 0°C, 82% for two steps). A stereocontrolled Wittig reaction with

Scheme 4. Synthesis of epothilone E (3). Reagents and conditions: (a) 30 equiv of H₂O₂, 60 equiv of CH₃CN, 10 equiv of KHCO₃, MeOH, 25°C, 6 h, 66% (based on 50% conversion).

the stabilized ylide 27²² (benzene, reflux) afforded ester 28 as a single geometrical isomer in 98% yield. Reduction of the latter compound (DIBAL, THF, -78°C) afforded alcohol 29, which was protected as the triphenylmethyl (trityl) derivative 30 (TrCl, 4-DMAP, DMF, 80°C, 95%). Elaboration of the terminal olefin was then achieved by selective hydroboration-oxidation to give alcohol 31 (9-BBN, THF, 0°C; then NaOH, H₂O₂, 0°C) which was transformed further into diiodide 32 (I₂, imidazole, Ph₃P, 0°C) in 92% overall yield. Introduction of the C8 stereocenter was then achieved using an Ender's alkylation protocol²³ (SAMP hydrazone of propionaldehyde, LDA, THF, 0°C; then -100°C and add 32 in THF) resulting in the formation of SAMP hydrazone 33 in 71% yield. Conversion to nitrile 34 (MMPP, MeOH/phosphate buffer pH 7, 0°C, 89%)^{23e} and ensuing reduction (DIBAL, toluene, -78°C) afforded the desired aldehyde 35 in 88% yield.

The transformation of aldehyde 35 into the desired epothilone macrocyclic core 24 is summarized in Scheme 6. Aldol reaction of ketone 36, previously used in our synthesis of epothilone B and related analogue $s^{6e,10a-c,e}$ (LDA, THF, -78 to -40° C) and aldehyde 35, afforded alcohols 37 and 38 in 66% overall yield, with modest selectivity for the desired 6R,7S diastereoisomer (37). Separation and silvlation (TBSOTf, 2,6-lutidine, CH₂Cl₂, -20 to 0°C) of the correct aldol product 37 provided tris-silvl ether 39 in 90% yield. Selective removal of the primary silvl ether protecting group (HF•pyr. in pyr./THF, 0°C) afforded alcohol 40 (84%), which was oxidized to acid 42 via aldehyde 41 by a twostep procedure [Swern oxidation; then NaClO₂, 2methyl-2-butene, NaH₂PO₄, t-BuOH/H₂O, 25°C, 98% for two steps). Removal of the C15 silicon protecting group (TBAF, THF, 0 to 25°C) provided hydroxy-acid 43 (95%) and laid the foundation for the macrolactonization process. This key step was achieved under

Figure 3. Retrosynthetic analysis of epothilone analogues possessing modified C-26 and side-chain moieties.

Yamaguchi conditions²⁴ (2,4,6-trichlorobenzoylchloride, Et₃N, THF; then add to a solution of 4-DMAP in toluene, 0.005 M, 75°C) to give the protected epothilone core **44** in 84% yield. Global deprotection (HF•pyr., THF, 0 to 25°C, 86%) completed the synthesis of the key vinyl iodide intermediate **24**.

With intermediate 24 in hand, the Stille coupling protocol could then be employed to attach the desired heterocyclic moiety. The mild procedure B, employing Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ was thought to be the most practical and efficient process and was utilized in the preparation of C26 hydroxy epothilones 45–48 (Scheme 7) from the vinyl iodide 24 and the appropriate stannanes 8 (see Schemes 2 and 3). Unfortunately, these conditions were not suitable for the coupling of 24 and vinyl stannane 8q (see Scheme 3). Recourse to the alternative procedure A provided access to the desired epothilone 49, albeit, in poor yield.

The presence of the C26 hydroxy functionality provided a convenient handle for further elaboration of the epothilone products. For example, the C26 alcohols **45–47** and **49** were treated with DAST (CH₂Cl₂, -78°C) to

Scheme 5. Stereoselective synthesis of aldehyde 35. Reagents and conditions: (a) 1.7 equiv of TBSCl, 2.8 equiv of imidazole, DMF, 0→25°C, 7 h, 84%; (b) i. 1.0 mol% OsO₄, 1.1 equiv of NMO, THF:t-BuOH:H₂O (5:5:1), $0 \rightarrow 25^{\circ}$ C, 13 h, 89%; ii. 6.0 equiv of NalO₄, MeOH:H₂O (2:1), 0° C, 30 min, 92%; (c) 2.4 equiv of **27**, benzene, reflux, 1.2 h, 98%; (d) 3.0 equiv of DIBAL, THF, -78°C, 2.5 h, 100%; (e) 1.4 equiv of TrCl, 1.7 equiv of 4-DMAP, DMF, 80°C, 21 h, 95%; (f) 1.4 equiv of 9-BBN, THF, 0°C, 9 h; then 3 N aqueous NaOH and 30% H₂O₂, 0°C, 1 h, 95%; (g) 2.6 equiv of I₂, 5.0 equiv of imidazole, 2.5 equiv of Ph₃P, Et₂O:MeCN (3:1), 0°C, 45 min, 97%; (h) 1.3 equiv of SAMP hydrazone from propionaldehyde, 1.4 equiv of LDA, THF, 0° C, 16 h; then -100° C and add 1.0 equiv of 32 in THF, -100-20°C, 20 h, 71%; (i) 2.5 equiv of MMPP, MeOH:phosphate buffer pH 7 (1:1), 0°C, 3.5 h, 89%; (j) 3.0 equiv of DIBAL, toluene, -78°C, 1 h, 88%. 9-BBN = 9-borabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane; DIBAL = diisobutylaluminium hydride; LDA = lithium diisopropylamide; NMO = 4methylmorpholine N-oxide; SAMP = (S)-(-)-1-amino-2-(methoxy-1)methyl)pyrrolidine; MMPP = monoperoxyphthalic acid, magnesium salt; Tr = triphenylmethyl.

furnish fluorinated epothilone analogues 50-53 in moderate yields as shown in Scheme 7. Alternatively, asymmetric epoxidation of substrates 45 and 46 under Katsuki–Sharpless conditions²⁵ [(+)-DET, Ti(i-PrO)₄, t-BuOOH, 4Å molecular sieves, CH₂Cl₂, -40°C] afforded epothilones 54 and 55, respectively. Subsequent treatment with DAST (CH₂Cl₂, -78°C) provided additional analogues 58 and 59, again in moderate yield. At this juncture, a more efficient approach to epoxides such as 54 and 55 was envisaged in which asymmetric epoxidation of vinyl iodide 24 could provide a common intermediate, which could then serve as a substrate for the Stille coupling. Despite initial reservations concerning the compatibility of the epoxide functionality with the Stille conditions, the epoxide 57 required for this approach was prepared from olefin 24 in 81% yield as described for the synthesis of 45 and 46. To our pleasant surprise, application of the standard coupling procedure B, using stannane 8r, resulted in the successful preparation of epothilone analogue 56 (73% yield based on 70% conversion).

Scheme 6. Stereoselective synthesis of vinyl iodide 24. Reagents and conditions: (a) 1.45 equiv of LDA, THF, -78° C, then 1.4 equiv of 36 in THF, -78° C, 1.5 h then; -40° C, 0.5 h; then 1.0 equiv of 35 in THF at -78° C (66% combined yield, ca. 1.5:1 ratio of 37:38); (b) 3.2 equiv of TBSOTf, 4.3 equiv of 2,6-lutidine, CH₂Cl₂, $-20\rightarrow$ 0°C, 2.5 h, 90%; (c) HF•pyr. in pyr., THF, 0°C, 3 h, 84%; (d) 2.0 equiv of (COCl)₂, 4.0 equiv of DMSO, 6.0 equiv of Et₃N, CH₂Cl₂, $-78\rightarrow$ 0°C, 1.5 h, 98%; (e) 5.0 equiv of NaClO₂, 75 equiv of 2-methyl-2-butene, 2.5 equiv of TBAF, THF, 0 \rightarrow 25°C, 19 h, 95%; (g) 6.0 equiv of Et₃N, 2.4 equiv of 2,4,6-trichlorobenzoylchloride, THF, 0°C, 1.5 h; then add to a solution of 2.2 equiv of 4-DMAP in toluene (0.005 M based on 43), 75°C, 2.5 h, 84%; (h) 25% v/v HF•pyr. in THF 0 \rightarrow 25°C, 15 h, 86%.

Scheme 7. Synthesis of epothilone analogues 54–56 and 58, 59 and desoxyepothilones 45–49 and 50–53. Reagents and conditions: (a) procedure A: 1.7 equiv of 8q, 13 mol% Pd(PPh₃)₄, toluene, 100°C, 2 h, 15%; procedure B: 1.5–2.0 equiv of 8, 10–20 mol% Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂, DMF, 25°C, 15–33 h, 41–56%; (b) 1.05–1.4 equiv of DAST, CH₂Cl₂, -78°C, 10 min, 26–58%; (c) 0.5 equiv of (+)-DET, 0.5 equiv of Ti(*i*-PrO)₄, 2.2 equiv of *i*-BuOOH, –40°C, CH₂Cl₂, 4 Å molecular sieves, 1–2 h, 52–89%. DET = diethyl tartrate.

The success of the Stille coupling strategy on substrates possessing an epoxide moiety indicated that epothilones **66–68** could be accessed from a common intermediate 65 as outlined in Scheme 8. Preparation of the desired template (65) was achieved by a six-step sequence, which started with global protection of triol 57 (TMSCl, Et₃N, DMF, 25°C). Selective deprotection, using silica gel (CH₂Cl₂, 25°C, 98% for two steps), revealed the C26 primary hydroxyl functionality which was then oxidized (TPAP, NMO, 4Å molecular sieves, CH₂Cl₂, 25°C)²⁶ to furnish aldehyde **62** in 90% yield. Methylenation²⁷ using methyl triphenylphosphonium bromide (Schlosser's 'instant ylid' mix, THF, -5°C) furnished olefin 63 (65%) which underwent reduction with in situ generated diimide²⁸ (H₂NNH₂, H₂O₂, EtOH, 0°C) to give intermediate 64. Deprotection of the remaining silyl ethers (HF•pyr. in pyr./THF, 0°C) afforded the desired vinyl iodide 65 in 75% yield for two steps. The Stille coupling procedure B described above was then used to access epothilones **66–68** in moderate yields (Scheme 8).

Conclusion

The chemistry described herein relies on a Stille coupling approach to construct a series of epothilone analogues with diversity at the side-chain or at both the side

Scheme 8. Synthesis of C26-substituted epothilones 66–68. Reagents and conditions: (a) 15 equiv of Et₃N, 8.0 equiv of TMSCl, DMF, 25°C, 12 h; (b) silica gel, CH₂Cl₂, 25°C, 12 h, 98% for two steps; (c) 3.0 equiv of NMO, 10 mol% TPAP, CH₂Cl₂, 25°C, 40 min, 90%; (d) 9.7 equiv of Ph₃P⁺CH₃Br⁻ (mixture with NaNH₂), THF, -5°C, 65% (e) 25 equiv of H₂NNH₂, 16 equiv of H₂O₂, EtOH, 0°C, 3 h; (f) HF•pyr.pyr. in THF, 0–05°C, 2 h, 75% for two steps; (g) 1.7–2.3 equiv of 8, 20–30 mol% Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂, DMF, 25°C, 15–23 h, 52–79%. TPAP = tetrapropylammonium perruthenate; TMS = trimethylsilyl.

chain and C26 site from a common macrocyclic intermediate. The synthesized epothilones are under biological evaluation and their tubulin polymerization and cytotoxicity properties will be reported in due course.

Experimental

General techniques

All reactions were carried out under an argon atmosphere with dry, freshly distilled solvents under anhydrous conditions, unless otherwise noted. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) and diethyl ether (ether) were distilled from sodium benzophenone, and dichloromethane (CH₂Cl₂), benzene (PhH), and toluene from calcium hydride. Anhydrous solvents were also obtained by passing them through commercially available activated alumina columns. Yields refer to chromatographically and spectroscopically (¹H NMR) homogeneous materials, unless otherwise stated. All solutions used in work up procedures were saturated unless otherwise noted. All reagents were purchased at highest commercial quality and used without further purification unless otherwise stated.

All reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography carried out on 0.25 mm E. Merck silica gel plates (60F-254) using UV light as visualizing agent and 7% ethanolic phosphomolybdic acid or *p*-anisaldehyde solution and heat as developing agents. E. Merck silica gel (60, particle size 0.040–0.063 mm) was used for flash column chromatography. Preparative thin-layer chromatography separations were carried out on 0.25, 0.50, or 1 mm E. Merck silica gel plates (60F-254).

NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker DRX-600, AMX-500, AMX-400, or AC-250 instruments and

calibrated using residual undeuterated solvent as an internal reference. The following abbreviations were used to explain the multiplicities: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quartet; m, multiplet; band, several overlapping signals; b, broad. IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin–Elmer 1600 series FT-IR spectrometer. Optical rotations were recorded on a Perkin–Elmer 241 polarimeter. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a VG ZAB-ZSE mass spectrometer under fast atom bombardment (FAB) conditions.

Vinyl iodide 13. Allylmagnesium bromide (183 mL, 1 M in ether, 183 mmol, 1.3 equiv) was added dropwise, over 45 min, to a solution of (-)- $(Ipc)_2BOMe$ (58.0 g, 183 mmol, 1.3 equiv) in ether (800 mL) at 0°C, and the resulting pale-gray slurry was allowed to warm to 25°C over 1 h. The ether was removed under reduced pressure and pentane (800 mL) was added to the residual solid. The resulting slurry was stirred at 25°C for 10 min and then the solids were allowed to settle over 30 min. The clear supernatant was then transferred carefully to a separate flask via cannula. This process was repeated four times (200 mL of pentane each) and the resulting solution was added dropwise, over 1 h, to a solution of aldehyde 12^{14} at -100° C. After 1 h at -100° C, MeOH (10 mL) was added and the mixture was allowed to warm to 25°C over 40 min. Saturated NaHCO₃ (125 mL) and H₂O₂ (50 mL of a 50% aqueous solution) were then added and the mixture was left to warm to 25°C over 12 h. The layers were separated and the aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc $(3 \times 500 \,\mathrm{mL})$. The combined organic phases were washed with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (500 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄), and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 25% ether in hexanes) furnished vinyl iodide **13** (26.7 g, 80%). R_f = 0.31 (silica gel, 20% ether in hexanes); [α]_D²² -18.4 (c 9.0, CHCl₃); IR (film) v_{max} 3358, 3077, 2977, 2914, 1642, 1619, 1433, 1379, 1279, 1048, 997, 918 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.26 (s, 1H, ICH = C(CH₃)), 5.70 (dddd, J = 17.0, 10.0, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_2=CH$), 5.11 (dd, J=17.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2 =CH), 5.10 (dd, J=10.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2 =CH), 4.17 (dd, J=7.5, 5.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 2.47 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.33 (ddd, J=14.0, 7.0, 5.5 Hz, 1H, $CH_2CH=$), 2.26 (ddd, J=14.0, 7.5, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_2CH=$), 1.79 (s, 3H, CH_3); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.9, 133.6, 118.4, 78.5, 75.3, 39.6, 20.0.

Triene 15a and its 6S,7R diastereoisomer 15b. A solution of ketoacids 14 (414 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) (ca. 3:2 ratio 14a:14b), 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (4-DMAP, 183 mg, 1.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and alcohol 13 (476 mg, 2.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv) in toluene (2.0 mL, 0.5 M) was cooled to 0°C and then treated with 1,3-dicyclohexylcarbodiimide (DCC, 309 mg, 1.5 mmol, 1.5 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred at 25°C for 12 h, then concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue was partitioned between EtOAc (50 mL) and water (10 mL). The organic layer was separated, washed with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (5 mL) and water (5 mL), and dried (MgSO₄). Evaporation of the solvents followed by flash column chromatography of the residue (silica gel, 15% EtOAc in hexanes) furnished trienes 15a (318 mg,

49%) and **15b** (214 mg, 33%). **15a**: $R_f = 0.60$ (silica gel, 18% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ –16.1 (\dot{c} 0.40, CHCl₃); IR (film) v_{max} 3420, 2930, 2857, 1739, 1685, 1463, 1383, 1290, 1254, 1167, 1091, 995, 835 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR $(500 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta 6.33 \text{ (s, 1H, IC} H = \text{C(CH}_3)), 5.86 -$ 5.78 (m, 1H, $CH_2CH=CH_2$), 5.68-5.58 (m, 1H, $CH_2CH=CH_2$), 5.31 (dd, J=7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 5.09 (dd, J = 16.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂CH=CH₂), 5.06 (dd, J=9.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂CH=CH₂), 4.99 (dd, J=17.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_2CH=CH_2$), 4.92 (dd, J=10.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_2CH=CH_2$), 4.37 (dd, J=5.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OTBS)), 3.37 (s, 1H, CHOH), 3.30–3.26 (s, 1H, CHO*H*), 3.28 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.79 (dd, J = 17.0, 5.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.43 (dd, J = 17.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.43–2.33 (m, 2H), 2.11-1.98 (m, 2H), 1.81 (s, 3H, ICH=CC H_3), 1.81-1.72(m, 1H), 1.58–1.40 (m, 2H), 1.37–1.27 (m, 1H), 1.20– 1.05 (m, 1H), 1.19 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.10 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$, 1.03 (d, J=6.5 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 0.87 (s, 9H, SiC(C H_3)₃(C H_3)₂), 0.83 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2), 0.10 (s, 3H, $SiC(CH_3)_3(CH_3)_2$), 0.04 (s, 3H, SiC(CH₃)₃(CH₃)₂); 13 C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 221.8, 170.7, 144.7, 139.1, 132.4, 118.3, 114.2, 81.2, 77.0, 74.6, 73.4, 53.8, 41.3, 40.1, 37.1, 35.4, 34.2, 32.4, 26.1, 25.9, 22.0, 20.1, 19.8, 18.1, 15.3, 9.7, -4.4, -4.8;HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{30}H_{53}IO_5Si$ (M+Cs⁺) 781.1761, found 781.1770. **15b**: $R_f = 0.36$ (silica gel, 17%) EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -20.4 (c 0.83, CHCl₃); IR (film) v_{max} 3512, 3076, 2932, 2858, 1740, 1690, 1465, 1381, 1290, 1254, 1171, 1089, 986, 916, 835 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.33 (s, 1H, IC*H*=C(CH₃)), (dddd, J = 17.0, 10.0, 6.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H, $CH_2CH=CH_2$), 5.63 (dddd, J=17.0, 10.0, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_2CH=CH_2$), 5.31 (dd, J=7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 5.11-5.06 (m, 2H, $CH_2CH=CH_2$), 5.01 (dd, J = 17.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂CH=CH₂), 4.96 (dd, J = 10.0, 1.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_2CH=CH_2$), 4.46 (dd, J=6.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OTBS)), 3.41 (m, 1H, CHOH) 3.33 (s, 1H, OH), 3.21 (qd, J = 7.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.46-2.30 (m, 4H), 2.12-1.98 (m, 2H), 1.81 (s, 3H, $ICH=CCH_3$), 1.60–1.33 (m, 5H), 1.15 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.11 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.03 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 0.99 (d, J=6.5 Hz, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2) 0.86 (s, 9H, $SiC(CH_3)_3(CH_3)_2$), 0.08 (s, 3H, $SiC(CH_3)_3$ $(CH_3)_2$, 0.04 (s, 3H, SiC(CH₃)₃(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 221.0, 170.8, 144.7, 138.7, 132.4, 118.3, 114.6, 81.2, 77.0, 74.8, 72.6, 53.9, 41.4, 40.1, 37.1, 35.3, 33.9, 32.1, 26.0, 25.9, 21.9, 20.1, 19.7, 18.2, 15.6, 10.7, −4.3, −4.7; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₃₀H₅₃IO₅Si $(M + Cs^+)$ 781.1761, found 781.1735.

Macrolactones 16 and 17. To a solution of triene **15a** (649 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (250 mL, 0.004 M) was added bis(tricyclohexylphosphine)benzylidine ruthenium dichloride (RuCl₂(=CHPh)(PCy₃)₂) (82 mg, 0.10 mmol, 0.1 equiv) and the reaction mixture was stirred at 25°C for 30 h. After completion of the reaction (established by TLC), the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude products were purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 20% EtOAc in hexanes) to give *cis*-hydroxy lactone **16** (217 mg, 35%) and *trans*-hydroxy lactone **17** (186 mg, 30%). **16**: R_f =0.47 (silica gel, 18% EtOAc in hexanes);

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ -44.5 (c 0.40, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3416, 2929, 2856, 1745, 1694, 1463, 1384, 1254, 1158, 1096, 1067, 980, 828, 778 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.37 (s, 1H, ICH=C(CH₃)), 5.45 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 5.30 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.08 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.07 (dd, J = 6.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH (OTBS)), 3.94-3.90 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.03 (qd, J = 6.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.98 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.77 (d, $J = 6.5 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.76 (d, $J = 6.5 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.69 (ddd, J = 14.5, 11.0, 11.0 Hz, 1H, =CHC H_2 CHO), 2.33–2.24 (m, 1H), 2.05–1.92 (m, 2H), 1.86 (s, 3H, ICH=CC H_3), 1.81–1.72 (m, 1H), 1.68–1.58 (m, 1H), 1.47–1.40 (m, 1H), 1.28–1.08 (m, 2H), 1.19 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.18 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.13 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.01 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2), 0.82 (s, 9H, $SiC(CH_3)_3(CH_3)_2$), 0.12 (s, 3H, $SiC(CH_3)_3(CH_3)_2$, 0.07 (s, 3H, $SiC(CH_3)_3(CH_3)_2$); ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 217.6, 170.5, 145.8, 134.9, 123.3, 80.1, 77.4, 76.2, 73.2, 53.6, 43.1, 39.0, 38.8, 33.6, 31.6, 28.4, 27.9, 26.2, 24.8, 23.0, 20.6, 18.7, 16.5, 14.2, -3.5, -5.2; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{28}H_{49}IO_5Si$ $(M + Cs^+)$ 753.1448, found 753.1458. 17: $R_f = 0.53$ (silica gel, 18% EtOAc in hexanes); $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{22}$ -21.0 (c 0.40, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3384, 2927, 2856, 1743, 1693, 1462, 1384, 1255, 1160, 1095, 836, 777 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.33 (s, 1H, ICH=C(CH₃)), 5.42 (ddd, J = 15.5, 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.23 (ddd, J = 15.5, 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.23 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.26 (dd, J = 8.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OTBS)), 3.81–3.77 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.07 (qd, J = 7.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.04 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.71 (dd, J = 16.5, 8.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.65 (dd, J = 16.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.43-2.30 (m, 2H),2.13-2.00 (m, 2H), 1.87-1.78 (m, 1H), 1.86 (s, 3H, $ICH=CCH_3$), 1.76–1.66 (m, 1H), 1.64–1.52 (m, 1H), 1.40-1.30 (m, 2H), 1.18 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.17 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.12 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.99 (d, $J=7.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2), 0.85 (s, 9H, $SiC(CH_3)_3(CH_3)_2$, 0.13 (s, 3H, $SiC(CH_3)_3(CH_3)_2$), 0.01 (s, 3H, $SiC(CH_3)_3(CH_3)_2$); ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 218.8, 169.9, 145.0, 134.6, 124.5, 78.9, 76.4, 74.4, 74.0, 54.3, 42.5, 40.3, 38.7, 36.1, 32.8, 32.6, 26.3, 22.0, 21.4, 18.7, 16.2, 13.8, -3.7, -4.6; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{28}H_{49}IO_5Si$ (M+Cs⁺) 753.1148, found 753.1456.

cis-Macrolactone diol 7. To a solution of iodide 16 (305 mg, 0.491 mmol) in THF (8.2 mL, 0.06 M) at 25°C was added HF•pyr. (2.7 mL) and the resulting solution was stirred at the same temperature for 27 h. The reaction was then quenched by careful addition to a mixture of saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (100 mL) and EtOAc (100 mL), and the resulting two-phase mixture was stirred at 25°C for 2h. The extracts were then separated and the organic layer was washed with saturated agueous NaHCO₃ (100 mL) and brine (100 mL), and then dried (MgSO₄). Purification by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 20 \rightarrow 50\% EtOAc in hexanes) furnished diol 7 (208 mg, 84%). $R_f = 0.21$ (silica gel, 25%) EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ –53.1 (c 1.37, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3499, 2930, 1732, 1688, 1469, 1379, 1259, 1149, 1093, 1048, 1006, 732 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.43 (s, 1H, ICH=C(CH₃)), 5.44 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 5.34 (dd, $J=9.5, 2.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{CHOCO}, 5.32 \text{ (ddd}, } J=10.5, 10.5,$ 5.5 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 4.07 (ddd, J = 11.0, 6.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OH)), 3.73 (ddd, J = 2.5, 2.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, $CHOH(CHCH_3)$), 3.10 (qd, J = 7.0, 2.5 Hz, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.84 (d, J=2.5 Hz, $CH(CH_3)CHOHCH(CH_3)$, 2.66 (ddd, J=15.0, 9.5, 9.5 Hz, 1H, =CHC H_2 CHO), 2.51 (dd, J = 15.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.42 (dd, J=15.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.35 (d, $J = 6.0 \,Hz$, 1H, $(CH_3)_2CHOH$), 2.21–2.12 (m, 2H), 2.05–1.97 (m, 1H), 1.88 (s, 3H, $ICH=C(CH_3)$, 1.76–1.70 (m, 1H), 1.70–1.62 (m, 1H), 1.32 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.18 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.10 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.35–1.05 (m, 3H), 0.99 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 219.9, 170.0, 145.3, 133.8, 124.0, 80.2, 77.3, 74.1, 72.8, 52.7, 42.0, 38.8, 38.4, 32.5, 31.2, 27.5, 27.4, 22.2, 20.8, 19.7, 15.5, 13.6; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{22}H_{35}IO_5$ (M+Cs⁺) 639.0584, found 639.0557.

trans-Macrolactone diol 11. A solution of iodide 17 (194 mg, 0.313 mmol) in THF (5.2 mL, 0.06 M) was treated with HF•pyr. (1.7 mL) according to the procedure described for the preparation of diol 7 to afford, after flash column chromatography (silica gel, 20→50% EtOAc in hexanes), diol 11 (134 mg, 85%). $R_f = 0.16$ (silica gel, 25% EtOAc in hexanes); $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{22}$ -20.0 (c 1.15, CHCl₃); IR (film) v_{max} 3478, 2930, 173 $\tilde{2}$, 1693 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.37 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H, $ICH=C(CH_3)$), 5.35 (ddd, J=14.5, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.24 (ddd, J=14.5, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.17 (dd, J=6.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.41 (dd, J = 8.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OTBS)), 3.85 (bs, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.38 (bs, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.18 (qd, J = 7.0, 6.5 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.68–2.34 (m, 4H), 2.44 (s, 3H, CH₃Ar), 2.19–2.11 (m, 1H), 1.96 (s, 3H, ICH = $C(CH_3)$), 1.99–1.93 (m, 1H), 1.67–1.52 (m, 2H), 1.48–1.42 (m, 1H), 1.31–0.99 (m, 2H), 1.22 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.14 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.09 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.02 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2), 0.84 (s, 9H, $SiC(CH_3)_3(CH_3)_2$), 0.08 (s, 3H, SiC(CH₃)₃(CH₃)₂), -0.01 (s, 3H, SiC(CH₃)₃(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 218.3, 170.1, 160.9, 137.5, 136.3, 135.2, 134.6, 125.0, 115.8, 77.1, 75.1, 74.1, 54.0, 43.6, 40.7, 38.4, 35.3, 32.9, 30.9, 26.8, 26.1, 23.2, 21.8, 18.4, 16.8, 16.2, 14.6, 13.7, -3.9, -4.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{22}H_{35}IO_5$ (M + Cs⁺) 639.0584, found 639.0606.

Bromothiazole 21a. To a solution of 2,4-dibromothiazole **20**¹⁸ (400 mg, 1.6 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in *i*-Pr₂NH (3.0 mL, 0.5 M) was added 4-pentyn-1-ol (270 mg, 3.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (95 mg, 0.082 mmol, 0.05 equiv), and CuI (30 mg, 0.16 mmol, 0.1 equiv). The reaction mixture was then heated at 70°C for 2 h and, after cooling to 25°C, the solvents were removed under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, $10 \rightarrow 75\%$ EtOAc in hexanes) furnished alkyne **69** (326 mg, 83%). R_f =0.50 (silica gel, 100% ether); IR (film) v_{max} 3377, 3118, 2933, 2876, 2230, 1458, 1258, 1206, 1075 cm^{-1} ; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.16 (s,

1H, ArH), 3.79 (t, J=6.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2OH), 2.60 (t, J=7.0 Hz, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_2OH$), 1.98 (bs, 1H, OH), 1.87 (tt, J=7.0, 6.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2CH_2OH); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 150.0, 125.2, 117.7, 97.2, 73.5, 61.1, 30.4, 15.9; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C_8H_8NOS (M+H⁺) 245.9588, found 245.9597.

A solution of alkyne 69 (70 mg, 0.280 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and PtO₂ (6.5 mg, 0.028 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in EtOH (2 mL) was stirred at 25°C under an atmosphere of hydrogen for 4h. Subsequent filtration through a short plug of silica gel, eluting with EtOAc, and removal of the solvents under reduced pressure furnished alcohol **70** (70 mg, 100%). $R_f = 0.40$ (silica gel, 100% ether); IR (film) v_{max} 3356, 3122, 2929, 2858, 1480, 1257, 1056 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.07 (s, 1H, ArH), 3.64 (t, $J = 6.5 \,\text{Hz}$, 2H, CH_2OH), 3.00 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_4OH$), 1.81 (tt, J = 8.0, 7.5 Hz, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_3OH$), 1.74 (bs, 1H, OH), 1.60 (tt, J=7.0, 6.5 Hz, 2H, CH_2CH_2OH), 1.46 (tt, J=8.0, 7.0 Hz, $CH_2(CH_2)_2OH)$; ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 142.1, 124.1, 115.7, 62.5, 33.4, 32.2, 29.4, 25.1; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_8H_{12}BrNOS$ (M+H⁺) 249.9901, found 249.9907.

A solution of alcohol 70 (25 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.0 mL, 0.1 M), was treated with pyridine $(16 \,\mu\text{L}, \, 0.200 \, \text{mmol}, \, 2.0 \, \text{equiv})$ and $Ac_2O \, (28 \,\mu\text{L}, \, 0.299 \, \text{mmol})$ mmol, 3.0 equiv). The resulting mixture was stirred at 25°C until the completion of the reaction was established by TLC. The mixture was then partitioned between water (10 mL) and CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) and the layers were separated. The aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2×10 mL) and the combined extracts were concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 10→40% ether in hexanes) to furnish the desired bromothiazole 21a (24 mg, 83%). $R_f = 0.60$ (silica gel, 50% ether in hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 3116, 2940, 2861, 1736, 1480, 1366, 1243, 1047, 888 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.08 (s, 1H, ArH), 4.05 (t, $J = 6.5 \,\text{Hz}$, 2H, CH_2OAc), 2.99 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_4OAc$), 2.03 (s, 3H, $COCH_3$), 1.81 (tt, J = 8.0, 7.5 Hz, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_3OAc$), 1.66 (tt, J = 8.0, 6.5 Hz, 2H, CH_2CH_2OAc), 1.45 (tt, J = 8.0, 7.5 Hz, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_2OAc)$; ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.1, 137.1, 124.1, 115.7, 64.1, 33.3, 29.3, 28.2, 25.3, 20.9; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{10}H_{14}BrNO_2S (M + H^+)$ 292.0007, found 292.0016.

2-Thiomethyl-4-bromothiazole 21b. 2,4-Dibromothiazole **20**¹⁸ (82 mg, 0.34 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in ethanol (2.3 mL, 0.15 M) and treated with sodium thiomethoxide (75 mg, 1.02 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred at 25°C for 2 h, upon which time completion of the reaction was established by ¹H NMR. The mixture was poured into water (5 mL) and extracted with ether (2×5 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO₄), the solvents evaporated, and the residue purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 5% EtOAc in hexanes) to furnish 2-thiomethyl-4-bromothiazole **21b** (77 mg, 92%). R_f =0.58 (silica gel, 10% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 3118, 2926, 1459, 1430, 1388, 1242, 1040, 966, 876, 818 cm⁻¹; ¹H

NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.07 (s, 1H, ArH), 2.69 (s, 3H, SCH₃); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.9, 124.2, 115.5, 16.6; GC–MS (EI), calcd for C₄H₄BrNS₂ (M⁺) 209/211, found 209/211.

2-Piperidinyl-4-bromothiazole 21c. 2,4-Dibromothiazole **20**¹⁸ (184 mg, 0.76 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in piperidine (1.5 mL, 0.5 M) and the reaction mixture heated at 50°C for 8 h, upon which time completion of the reaction was indicated by TLC. The mixture was poured into water (5 mL) and extracted with ether $(2\times5\,\mathrm{mL})$. After drying the combined organic fractions (MgSO₄), evaporation of the solvents, and purification by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 5% EtOAc in hexanes) furnished 2-piperidinyl-4-bromothiazole 21c (188 mg, 100%). $R_f = 0.52$ (silica gel, 10% EtOAc in hexanes); mp 66°C (EtOAc-hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 3088, 2940, 2852, 1530, 1482, 1447, 1263 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.35 (s, 1H, ArH), 3.42 (bt, J = 5.5 Hz, 4H, CH₂(CH₂CH₂)₂N), 1.66–1.62 (m, 6H, $CH_2(CH_2CH_2)_2N)$; ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.8, 121.5, 102.8, 49.1, 24.9, 23.9; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_8H_{11}BrN_2S$ $(M+H^+)$ 246.9904, found 246.9910.

2-Ethoxy-4-bromothiazole 21d. To a solution of 2,4dibromothiazole **20**¹⁸ (58 mg, 0.239 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in EtOH (2.4 mL, 0.1 M) was added NaOH (122 mg, 3.05 mmol, 12.8 equiv) and the resulting solution was stirred at 25°C until TLC indicated the disappearance of dibromide (ca. 30 h). The resulting yellow solution was then partitioned between ether (10 mL) and saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (10 mL) and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with ether (10 mL) and the combined organic extracts were washed with brine (20 mL), dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated carefully under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 17% ether in hexanes) furnished 2-ethoxy-4bromothiazole **21d** as a volatile oil (45 mg, 91%). $R_f = 0.58$ (silica gel, 17% ether in hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 3125, 2983, 2936, 2740, 1514, 1480, 1392, 1360, 1277, 1234, 1080, 1018, 897, 823 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR J=7.0 Hz, 2H, CH₃CH₂), 1.43 (t, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.2, 118.5, 107.8, 68.3, 14.3; GC-MS (EI), calcd for C₄H₄BrNSO (M⁺) 193/195, found 193/195.

2-Methoxy-4-bromothiazole 21p. To a solution of 2,4-dibromothiazole **20**¹⁸ (253 mg, 1.04 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in MeOH (10.5 mL, 0.1 M) was added NaOH (555 mg, 13.9 mmol, 13.3 equiv) and the resulting solution was stirred at 25°C until TLC indicated the disappearance of dibromide (ca. 16 h). The resulting yellow solution was then partitioned between ether (10 mL) and saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (10 mL) and the layers were separated. The aqueous phase was extracted with ether (10 mL) and the combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated carefully under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 10% ether in hexanes) furnished 2-methoxy-4-bromothiazole **21p** as a volatile oil (138 mg, 82%). R_f =0.56 (silica gel, 17% ether in hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 3125, 2952, 2752, 1524,

1520, 1481, 1417, 1277, 1238, 1081, 982, 884, 819 cm⁻¹;
¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.58 (s, 1H, ArH), 4.09 (s, 3H, CH₃);
¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.8, 118.5, 108.4, 58.8; GC–MS (EI), calcd for C₅H₆BrNSO (M⁺) 207/209, found 207/209.

2-Hydroxymethyl-4-bromothiazole 21h. To a solution of 2,4-dibromothiazole 20^{18} (50 mg, 0.206 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in anhydrous ether (2.0 mL, 0.1 M) at -78° C, was added n-BuLi (154 μ L, 1.6 M in hexanes, 0.247 mmol, 1.2 equiv), and the resulting solution was stirred at the same temperature for 30 min. DMF (32 μ L, 0.412 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was then added at -78° C and, after being stirred at -78° C for 30 min, the reaction mixture was slowly warmed up to 25°C over a period of 2 h. Hexane (2.0 mL) was added and the resulting mixture was passed through a short silica gel cake eluting with 30% EtOAc in hexanes. The solvents were evaporated to give the crude aldehyde 22 (50 mg), which was used directly in the next step.

To a solution of aldehyde 22 (50 mg) in methanol (2.0 mL) at 25°C, was added sodium borohydride (15 mg, 0.397 mmol, 1.9 equiv), and the resulting mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 30 min. EtOAc (1.0 mL) and hexane (2.0 mL) were added, and the mixture was passed through a short silica gel cake eluting with EtOAc. The solvents were then evaporated and the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 20→50% EtOAc in hexanes) to furnish 2-hydroxymethyl-4-bromothiazole 21h $(25 \text{ mg}, 63\% \text{ over two steps}). R_f = 0.16 \text{ (silica gel, } 18\% \text{ })$ EtOAc in hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 3288, 3122, 2922, 2855, 1486, 1447, 1345, 1250, 1183, 1085, 1059, 967, 893 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.20 (s, 1H, ArH), 4.93 (s, 2H, CH₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.0, 124.4, 117.0, 61.8; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₄H₄BrNOS (M+H⁺) 193.9275, found 193.9283.

2-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyloxymethyl)-4-bromothiazole 21s. To a solution of alcohol 21h (59 mg, 0.304 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.0 mL, 0.3 M) was added imidazole (62 mg, 0.608 mmol, 2.0 equiv), followed by tertbutyldimethylchlorosilane (69 mg, 0.456 mmol, 1.3 equiv) at 25°C. After 30 min at 25°C, the reaction mixture was quenched with MeOH (100 µL) and then passed through silica gel eluting with CH₂Cl₂. Evaporation of solvents gave the desired silvl ether 21s (90 mg, 96%). R_f = 60 (silica gel, 10% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 2943, 2858, 1489, 1465, 1355, 1254, 1193, 1108, 887, 841, 780 cm $^{-1}$; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.16 (s, 1H, ArH), 4.93 (s, 2H, CH₂), 0.94 (s, 9H, $SiC(CH_3)_3(CH_3)_2$, 0.12 (s, 6H, $SiC(CH_3)_3(CH_3)_2$); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.5, 124.2, 116.4, 62.9, 25.7, 18.2, -5.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{10}H_{18}BrNOSSi~(M+H^+)$ 308.0140, found 308.0151.

2-Acetoxymethyl-4-bromothiazole 21i. To a solution of alcohol **21h** (37 mg, 0.191 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in EtOAc (2.0 mL, 0.1 M) was added Ac₂O (58 μ L, 0.618 mmol, 3.2 equiv) followed by 4-DMAP (28 mg, 0.227 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred at 25°C for 5 min. The reaction mixture was then washed with

brine (2.0 mL), dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, $17 \rightarrow 50\%$ EtOAc in hexanes) furnished alcohol 2-acetoxymethyl-4-bromothiazole **21i** (41 mg, 91%). R_f =0.27 (silica gel, 17% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 3119, 2954, 1747, 1485, 1435, 1373, 1224, 1038, 890, 836 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.26 (s, 1H, ArH), 5.35 (s, 2H, CH_2OAc), 2.16 (s, 3H, CH_3CO); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.0, 165.7, 125.0, 118.1, 62.1, 20.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_6H_6BrNO_2S$ (M+H⁺) 235.9381, found 235.9390.

2-Vinyl-4-bromothiazole 21q. To a solution of 2,4dibromothiazole **20**¹⁸ (437 mg, 1.80 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in toluene was added tri-n-butyl(vinyl)tin (552 µL, 1.89 mmol, 1.05 equiv) followed by Pd(PPh₃)₄ (208 mg, 0.180 mmol, 0.1 equiv) and the resulting mixture was heated at 100°C. After 21 h, the mixture was cooled and purified directly by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 0 \rightarrow 9\% ether in hexanes) to afford 2-vinyl-4-bromothiazole **21q** as an oil (285 mg, 83%). $R_f = 0.50$ (silica gel, 17% ether in hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 3121, 1470, 1259, 1226, 1124, 1082, 975, 926, 887, 833 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.13 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.86 (dd, J = 17.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CH₂), 6.09 (d, J = 17.5 Hz, 1H, CHC H_2), 5.59 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H, CHC H_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.7, 129.5, 125.6, 120.8, 116.2; GC-MS (EI), calcd for C₅H₄BrNS (M⁺) 189/ 191, found 189/191.

2-Ethyl-4-bromothiazole 21r. To a solution of 2-vinyl-4-bromothiazole **21q** (279 mg, 1.47 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in EtOH $(15 \,\mathrm{mL}, 0.1 \,\mathrm{M})$ was added PtO_2 $(50 \,\mathrm{mg},$ 0.220 mmol, 0.15 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred under an atmosphere of hydrogen at 25°C for 4h. Subsequent filtration through a short plug of silica gel, eluting with EtOAc, and careful concentration under reduced pressure furnished 2-ethyl-4-bromothiazole **21r** (238 mg, 84%). $R_f = 0.63$ (silica gel, CH₂Cl₂); IR (film) v_{max} 3122, 2974, 2932, 1483, 1456, 1245, 1181, 1090, 1040, 956, 884, 831 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.08 (s, 1H, ArH), 3.03 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, CH_2CH_3), 1.37 (t, J=7.5 Hz, 3H, CH_2CH_3); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.1, 124.1, 115.6, 27.1, 13.8; GC-MS (EI), calcd for C_5H_6BrNS (M⁺) 191/193, found 191/193.

Stannane 8a. A solution of bromothiazole **21a** (7.5 mg, 0.026 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in degassed toluene (260 mL, 0.1 M), was treated with hexamethylditin (54 μL, 0.26 mmol, 10 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (3.0 μg, 0.0026 mmol, 0.1 equiv) and the mixture was heated at 100°C for 3 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to 25°C and purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel; pretreated with Et₃N, 50% ether in hexanes) to afford the desired stannane **8a** (9.1 mg, 93%). R_f =0.60 (silica gel, 50% ether in hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 2922, 2851, 1737, 1461, 1381, 1238, 1043 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.23 (s, 1H, ArH), 4.07 (t, J=6.5 Hz, 2H, CH_2 OAc), 3.09 (t, J=8.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2 (CH₂)₄OAc), 2.05 (s, 3H, COCH₃), 1.83 (tt, J=8.0, 7.5 Hz, 2H, CH_2 CH₂OAc), 1.47 (tt, J=8.0, 7.5 Hz, 2H, CH_2 CH₂OAc), 1.47 (tt, J=8.0, 7.5 Hz, 2H,

 $CH_2(CH_2)_2OAc)$, 0.34 (s, 9H, Sn(CH₃)₃); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.2, 142.1, 124.7, 117.9, 64.2, 33.0, 30.0, 29.5, 28.2, 25.4, -9.1.

2-Thiomethyl-4-trimethylstannylthiazole 8b. To a solution of bromothiazole 21b (51 mg, 0.24 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in degassed toluene (4.9 mL, 0.1 M) was added hexamethylditin (498 µL, 2.4 mmol, 10 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (14 mg, 0.012 mmol, 0.05 equiv) and the reaction mixture was heated at 80°C for 3 h according to the procedure described for the synthesis of stannane 8a to afford, after flash column chromatography (silica gel, 5% Et₃N in hexanes), stannane **8b** (71 mg, 100%). $R_f = 0.67$ (silica gel; pretreated with Et₃N, 10% EtOAc); IR (film) v_{max} 2981, 2924, 1382, 1030, 772 cm⁻¹; ${}^{1}H$ NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25 (s, 1H, ArH), 2.70 (s, 3H, SCH₃), 0.32 (s, 9H, Sn(CH₃)₃); ¹³C NMR $(125.7 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta 166.4, 160.2, 124.9, 17.2, -8.9;$ HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_7H_{13}NS_2Sn$ (M+H⁺) 295.9588, found 295.9576.

2-Piperidinyl-4-trimethylstannylthiazole 8c. A solution of bromothiazole 21c (64 mg, 26 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in degassed toluene (5.2 mL, 0.05 M) was treated with hexamethylditin (540 µL, 2.6 mmol, 10 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (15 mg, 0.013 mmol, 0.05 equiv) and heated at 80°C for 3 h according to the procedure described for the synthesis of stannane 8a to afford, after flash column chromatography (silica gel; pretreated with Et₃N, hexanes), stannane **8c** (86 mg, 100%). $R_f = 0.67$ (silica gel, 10% EtOAc in hexanes containing Et₃N); IR (film) ν_{max} 2935, 2854, 1511, 1449, 1259, 771 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR $(500 \,\mathrm{MHz}, \,\,\mathrm{CDCl_3}) \,\,\delta \,\,6.58 \,\,(\mathrm{s}, \,\,1\mathrm{H}, \,\,\mathrm{ArH}), \,\,3.48 \,\,(\mathrm{bt}, \,\,\mathrm{cd})$ J = 5.0 Hz, 4H, CH₂(CH₂CH₂)₂N), 1.70–1.60 (m, 6H, $CH_2(CH_2CH_2)_2N$), 0.29 (s, 9H, $Sn(CH_3)_3$); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.4, 156.6, 113.9, 50.2, 25.3, 24.3, -9.0; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{11}H_{20}N_2SSn$ $(M + H^{+})$ 333.0447, found 333.0358.

2-Methoxy-4-trimethylstannylthiazole 8p. To a solution of bromothiazole 21p (147 mg, 0.758 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in degassed toluene (7.6 mL, 0.1 M) was added hexamethylditin (785 µL, 3.79 mmol, 5.0 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (88 mg, 0.076 mmol, 0.1 equiv) and the reaction mixture was heated at 100°C for 30 min according to the procedure described for the synthesis of stannane **8a** to afford, after flash column chromatography (silica gel, 5% Et₃N in hexanes), stannane **8p** (170 mg, 81%). R_f = 0.49 (silica gel; pretreated with Et₃N, 17% ether in hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 2985, 2948, 2915, 1512, 1414, 1259, 1234, 1219, 1087, 988 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.72 (s, 1H, ArH), 4.07 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 0.32 (s, 9H, Sn(CH₃)₃); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.0, 154.5, 117.9, 58.5, -9.1; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_7H_{13}NOSSn (M + H^+) 279.9818$, found 279.9810.

2-Acetoxymethyl-4-trimethylstannylthiazole 8i. To a solution of bromothiazole 21i (41 mg, 0.174 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in degassed toluene (1.7 mL, 0.1 M) was added hexamethylditin (307 μ L, 1.74 mmol, 10 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (15 mg, 0.013 mmol, 0.07 equiv) and the reaction mixture was heated at 100°C for 25 min according to the procedure described for the synthesis

of stannane **8a** to afford, after flash column chromatography (silica gel, hexanes containing 5% Et₃N), stannane **8i** (25 mg, 45%). R_f =0.33 (silica gel; pretreated with Et₃N, 17% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 2974, 2915, 1745, 1437, 1374, 1229, 1031 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 (s, 1H, ArH), 5.45 (s, 2H, C H_2 OAc), 2.15 (s, 3H, COCH₃) 0.37 (s, 9H, Sn(CH₃)₃); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.3, 165.0, 160.1, 126.9, 62.5, 20.8, -8.9; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₉H₁₅NO₂SSn (M+H⁺) 321.9924, found 321.9939.

2-(tert-Butyldimethylsilyloxymethyl)-4-tri-n-butylstannylthiazole 8s. To a solution of bromothiazole 21s (20 mg, 0.065 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in ether (1.0 mL, 0.07 M) at -78° C, was added *n*-BuLi (49 mL, 1.6 M in hexanes, 0.078 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred at -78° C for $10 \,\mathrm{min}$. Tri-*n*-butyltin chloride (23 µL, 0.078 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was then added, the solution stirred at -78° C for 10 min, and then slowly warmed to 25°C over a period of 1h. The reaction mixture was diluted with hexane (2.0 mL), and passed through silica gel eluting with 20% EtOAc in hexanes. Flash column chromatography (silica gel; pretreated with Et₃N, 5% ether in hexanes) furnished the desired stannane **8s** (35 mg, 85%). $R_f = 0.36$ (silica gel, 5%) EtOAc in hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 2955, 2928, 2856, 1464, 1353, 1255, 1185, 1103, 1081, 1006, 841 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 7.08 (s, 1H, ArH), 4.98 (s, 2H, CH₂OTBS), 1.75–1.57 (m, 6H, CH₃CH₂), 1.44–1.31 (m, 6H, CH₃CH₂CH₂), 1.26–1.09 (m, 6H, CH₃(CH₂)₂CH₂), 0.94 (s, 9H, SiC(C H_3)₃(C H_3)₂), 0.91 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 9H, CH_3), -0.02 (s, 6H, $SiC(CH_3)_3(CH_3)_2$); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.2, 159.1, 125.3, 63.5, 29.0, 27.3, 25.8, 18.3, 13.7, 10.1, -5.4; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{22}H_{45}NOSSiSn$ $(M+H^+)$ 520.2093, 520.2074.

2-Hydroxymethyl-4-tri-*n***-butylstannylthiazole 8h.** To a solution of silvl ether 8s (20 mg, 0.039 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (1.0 mL, 0.04 M) was added TBAF (46 mL, 1.0 M in THF, 0.046 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and the reaction mixture was stirred at 25°C for 20 min. Hexane (2.0 mL) was added, and the mixture passed through silica gel eluting with EtOAc. Evaporation of solvents gave the desired alcohol 8h (15 mg, 95%). $R_f = 0.09$ (silica gel, 20% ether in hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 3209, 2956, 2923, 2855, 1461, 1342, 1253, 1174, 1064, 962 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.30 (m, 1H, ArH), 4.99 (s, 2H, CH_2OH), 3.64 (bs, 1H, OH), 1.62–1.45 (m, 6H, CH₃CH₂), 1.38–1.27 (m, 6H, CH₃CH₂CH₂), 1.19–1.02 (m, 6H, $CH_3(CH_2)_2CH_2$), 0.88 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 9H, CH_3); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.7, 159.1, 125.7, 61.7, 28.9, 27.1, 13.6, 10.1; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{16}H_{31}NOSSn (M + H^+) 406.1228$, found 406.1237.

2-Fluoromethyl-4-tri-n-butylstannylthiazole 8j. To a solution of alcohol **8h** (90 mg, 0.223 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (2.2 mL, 0.1 M) at -78° C was added DAST (32 μ L, 0.242 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and the solution was stirred at this temperature for 10 min. After quenching with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (2 mL) the mixture was allowed to warm to 25°C, and then partitioned

between CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) and saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (15 mL). The layers were separated and the aqueous phase was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2×15 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine (40 mL), dried (MgSO₄), and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatograpahy (silica gel; pretreated with Et₃N, 17% ether in hexanes) furnished stannane 8j (52 mg, 57%). $R_f = 0.59$ (silica gel, 17% ether in hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 2956, 2925, 2870, 2863, 1464, 1376, 1358, 1184, 1084, 1023, 874, 807 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41 (s, 1H, ArH), 5.69 (d, J = 47.5 Hz, 2H, CH_2F), 1.58–1.52 (m, 6H, CH_3CH_2), 1.36–1.29 (m, 6H, $CH_3CH_2CH_2$), 1.14–1.07 (m, 6H, $CH_3(CH_2)_2CH_2$), 0.88 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 9H, CH_3): ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, C_6D_6) δ 165.0 (d, J = 88 Hz), 160.1, 127.4, 80.5 (d, $J = 676 \,\mathrm{Hz}$), 29.4, 27.6, 13.9, 10.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{16}H_{30}FNSSn$ (M+H⁺) 408.1183, found 408.1169.

2-Ethoxy-4-tri-*n***-butylstannylthiazole 8d.** A solution of bromothiazole **21d** (82 mg, 0.394 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in ether (3.9 mL, 0.1 M) was treated with n-BuLi (289 μ L, 1.5 M in hexanes, 0.433 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and tri-nbutyltin chloride (128 µL, 0.473 mmol, 1.2 equiv) according to the procedure described for the synthesis of stannane 8s, to yield, after column chromatography (silica gel; pretreated with Et₃N, hexanes), stannane 8d (161 mg, 98%). IR (film) v_{max} 2956, 2927, 2870, 2851, 1504, 1472, 1258, 1257, 1232, 1211, 1082, 1023, 960, 894, $872\,\text{cm}^{-1}$; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.65 (s, 1H, ArH), 4.43 (q, $J = 7.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 2H, CH_3CH_2O), 1.61– 1.53 (m, 6H, CH_3CH_2), 1.43 (t, $J=7.0 \, Hz$, 3H, CH_3CH_2O), 1.37–1.30 (m, 6H, $CH_3CH_2CH_2$), 1.08–1.04 (m, 6H, $CH_3(CH)_2CH_2$), 0.89 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 9H, CH_3); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.7, 155.3, 118.3, 68.5, 29.0, 27.2, 14.5, 13.7, 10.1; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₁₇H₃₃NOSSn (M+H⁺) 418.1380, found 418.1396.

2-Vinyl-4-tri-n-butylstannylthiazole 8q. A solution of bromothiazole **21q** (191 mg, 1.00 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in ether (14.0 mL, 0.07 M), was treated with n-BuLi (804 μL, 1.5 M in hexanes, 1.20 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and tri-n-butyltin chloride (341 µL, 1.26 mmol, 1.25 equiv) according to the procedure described for the synthesis of stannane 8s to yield, after column chromatography (silica gel; pretreated with Et₃N, hexanes), stannane 8q (112 mg, 28%). $R_f = 0.63$ (silica gel, 17% ether in hexanes); IR (film) v_{max} 2956, 2925, 2870, 2850, 1459, 1377, 1205, 1080, 981, 913, 868 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.21 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.02 (dd, J = 17.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H, $CH=CH_2$), 6.00 (d, J=17.5 Hz, 1H, $CH=CH_2$), 5.52 (d, $J = 11.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H, CH=C H_2), 1.61–1.53 (m, 6H, CH_3CH_2), 1.37–1.27 (m, 6H, $CH_3CH_2CH_2$), 1.13–1.10 (m, 6H, $CH_3(CH_2)_2CH_2$), 0.88 (t, J=7.5 Hz, 9H, CH_3); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.7, 160.3, 131.0, 124.7, 119.5, 29.0, 27.2, 13.6, 10.1; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{17}H_{31}NSSn (M + H^+) 402.1279$, found 402.1290.

2-Ethyl-4-tri-*n***-butylstannylthiazole 8r.** To a solution of bromothiazole **21r** (238 mg, 1.24 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in ether (12.0 mL, 0.1 M) at -78° C, was added *n*-BuLi (909 μ L, 1.5 M in hexanes, 1.36 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and tri-*n*-butyltin chloride (403 μ L, 1.49 mmol, 1.2 equiv)

according to the procedure described for the synthesis of stannane **8s** to yield, after column chromatography (silica gel; pretreated with Et₃N, hexanes), stannane **8r** (357 mg, 72%). R_f =0.64 (silica gel, CH₂Cl₂); IR (film) v_{max} 2956, 2925, 2870, 2852, 1464, 1376, 1292, 1174, 1072, 1033, 953, 875 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.18 (s, 1H, ArH), 3.10 (q, J=7.6 Hz, 2H, CH₃CH₂Ar), 1.60–1.50 (m, 6H, CH₃CH₂), 1.39 (t, J=7.6 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH₂Ar), 1.36–1.30 (m, 6H, CH₃CH₂CH₂), 1.13–1.08 (m, 6H, CH₃CH₂)₂CH₂), 0.88 (t, J=7.3 Hz, 9H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.9, 158.9, 124.5, 29.1, 27.0, 26.6, 14.7, 13.7, 10.1; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₁₇H₃₃NSSn (M+H⁺) 404.1434, found 404.1416.

cis-Macrolactone 18h. A solution of vinyl iodide 7 (10.0 mg, 0.020 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8h** (16.0 mg, 0.040 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ (2.1 mg, 0.002 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed toluene (200 µL, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 20 min. The reaction mixture was then poured into saturated aqueous NaHCO₃-NaCl (5 mL) and extracted with EtOAc $(2\times5\,\mathrm{mL})$. After drying the combined organic extracts (Na₂SO₄), evaporation of the solvents and purification by preparative thin-layer chromatography (500 µm silica gel plate, 50% EtOAc in hexanes), furnished macrolactone **18h** (7.5 mg, 76%). $R_f = 0.29$ (silica gel, 50%) EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_0^{22} - 44.2$ (c 0.60, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3387, 2925, 2859, 1730, 1688, 1508, 1461, 1256, 1183, 1150, 1061, 980, 755 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.12 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.61 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.45 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.38 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.31 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.92 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2OH), 4.23 (ddd, J = 11.5, 5.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OH)), 3.75–3.71 (m, 1H, $CHOH(CHCH_3)$), 3.32 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H, $C(CH_3)_2$ CHOH), 3.25 (t, $J = 4.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H, CH₂OH), 3.13 (qd, J = 7.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.03 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH₃CHCH(OH)CHCH₃), 2.68 (ddd, J = 15.0, 9.5, 9.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.50 (dd, J=15.0, 11.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.35 (dd, J = 15.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, $CH_2COO)$, 2.31–2.24 (m, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2CHO)$, 2.24-2.16 (m, 1H), 2.09 (s, 3H, CH=CC H_3), 2.06-1.98(m, 1H), 1.82–1.73 (m, 1H), 1.72–1.62 (m, 1H), 1.39– 1.17 (m, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.19 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.08 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.00 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.5, 170.3, 169.9, 152.3, 139.0, 133.5, 124.9, 118.9, 116.5, 78.4, 74.2, 72.2, 61.8, 53.4, 41.7, 39.3, 38.6, 32.4, 31.7, 27.5, 27.4, 22.8, 18.4, 16.0, 15.5, 13.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{26}H_{39}NO_6S$ (M+Cs⁺) 626.1552, found 626.1530.

Epothilone E (3). To a solution of macrolactone **18h** (10.0 mg, 0.020 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in methanol (600 μ L, 0.03 M) was added acetonitrile (32 μ L, 0.606 mmol, 30 equiv), KHCO₃ (10 mg, 0.102 mmol, 5 equiv) and hydrogen peroxide (27 μ L, 35% w/w in water, 0.303 mmol, 15 equiv) and the reaction mixture stirred at 25°C for 3 h. Additional acetonitrile (32 μ L, 0.606 mmol, 30 equiv), KHCO₃ (10 mg, 0.102 mmol, 5 equiv), and hydrogen peroxide (27 μ L, 35% w/w in water, 0.303

mmol, 15 equiv) were then added and stirring was continued for a further 3 h. The reaction mixture was then passed directly through a short plug of silica gel, eluting with ether, and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. Preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 50% EtOAc in hexanes) furnished unreacted starting material 18h (5.0 mg, 50%) and epothilone E (3) (3.4 mg, 33%). $R_f = 0.56$ (silica gel, 66% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{22} = -27.5$ (c 0.20, CHCl₃); IR (film) $v_{\rm max}$ 3413, 2928, 2867, 1731, 1689, 1462, 1375, 1257, 1152, 1061, 978, 756 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.13 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.61 (s, 1H, CH=CCH₃), 5.46 (dd, J=8.1, 2.4 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.94 (d, J=5.2 Hz, 2H, CH_2OH), 4.16-4.12 (m, 1H, $(CH_3)_2CCH(OH)$), 3.82-3.78 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.66 (bs, 1H, OH), 3.23 (qd, J = 6.8, 5.2 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.04 (ddd, J = 8.1, 4.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂CH(O)CHCH₂), 2.91 (ddd,J=7.3, 4.5, 4.1 Hz, 1H, $CH_2CH(O)CHCH_2$), 2.61 (t, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H, CH₂OH), 2.55 (dd, J = 14.7, 10.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.48 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.45 (dd, J=14.7, 3.2 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.14–2.07 (m, 1H, C H_2 CH(O) CHCH₂), 2.11 (s, 3H, CH=CC H_3), 1.91 (ddd, J=15.1, 8.1, 8.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂CH(O)CHCH₂), 1.78–1.66 (m, 2H, CH₂CH(O)CHCH₂), 1.52–1.38 (m, 5H), 1.36 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$, 1.18 (d, 3H, J=6.8 Hz, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.10 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.01 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.0, 170.6, 169.9, 152.3, 137.6, 119.8, 117.0, 76.7, 74.8, 73.6, 62.3, 57.5, 54.4, 52.7, 43.6, 38.9, 36.2, 31.4, 30.4, 27.0, 23.7, 21.3, 21.0, 17.2, 15.6, 14.3; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{26}H_{39}NO_7S$ (M + H +) 510.2525, found 510.2539.

cis-Macrolactone 18a. A solution of vinyl iodide 7 (5.0 mg, 0.010 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8a** (7.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (2.0 mg, 0.002 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed toluene (200 µL, 0.1 M) was heated at 90°C for 15 min according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18h, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 75% ether in hexanes), macrolactone **18a** (4.8 mg, 82%). R_f = 0.30 (silica gel, 75% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -34.0 (c 0.20, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3455, 2921, 2852, 1733, 1688, 1461, 1370, 1245, 1046, 756 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.99 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.61 (s, 1H, CH=C(CH₃)), 5.45 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 5.39 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 5.29 (dd, J = 10.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.26 (dd, J = 10.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, $(CH_3)_2CCHOH$), 4.07 (t, J=6.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂OAc), 3.75–3.72 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.42 (bs, 1H, OH), 3.14 (qd, J=7.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH (C=O)), 2.99 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_4OAc$), 2.70 (ddd, J=15.0, 10.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 2.50(dd, J=15.0, 11.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.34 (dd, J=15.0,2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.31–2.24 (m, 2H), 2.25–2.18 (m, 2H), 1.90-1.20 (m, 3H), 2.10 (s, 3H, CH=C(CH₃)),2.05 (s, 3H, COCH₃), 1.85 (tt, J = 8.0, 6.5 Hz, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_3OAc)$, 1.68 (tt, J = 7.5, 7.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2CH_2 OAc), 1.48 (tt, J = 8.0, 7.0 Hz, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_2OAc$), 1.34 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.19 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$, 1.09 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.01 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H, CH₃CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.6, 171.2, 170.4, 152.0, 138.6, 133.4, 132.1, 125.1, 119.4, 115.4, 78.5, 74.1, 72.3, 64.2, 53.4, 41.6, 39.3, 38.6, 33.1, 32.4, 31.8, 29.7, 29.4, 28.2, 27.6, 27.5, 25.4, 22.7, 18.5, 15.9, 15.5, 13.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{25}H_{37}NO_5S$ (M+Cs⁺) 724.2284, found 724.2310.

trans-Macrolactone 19a. A solution of vinyl iodide 11 (5.0 mg, 0.010 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8a** (7.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (2.0 mg, 0.001 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed toluene (200 µL, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 15 min according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18h, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 75% ether in hexanes), lactone **19a** (4.9 mg, 84%). $R_f = 0.25$ (silica gel, 75% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -14.6 (c 0.50, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3483, 2925, 2855, 1733, 1691, 1462, 1369, 1245, 1042, 976 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.00 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.57 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.53 (ddd, J=15.0, 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 5.40 (dd, $J = 6.0, 6.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}, 1 \,\mathrm{H}, \,\mathrm{CHOCO}, 5.39 \,\mathrm{(ddd,} \, J = 15.0, 7.5,$ 7.5 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 4.18 (ddd, J = 10.5, 2.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, $(CH_3)_2CCH(OH)$, 4.07 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H, CH₂OAc), 3.76–3.73 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.26– 3.22 (m, 1H), 3.24 (qd, J=7.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$, 3.00 (t, J=8.0 Hz, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_4OAc$), 2.70 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.56 (dd, J=15.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.48–2.44 (m, 2H), 2.47 (dd, J=15.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.22–2.14 (m, 1H), 2.09 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$, 2.05 (s, 3H, $COCH_3$), 2.02–1.94 (m, 1H), 1.83 (tt, J = 8.0, 7.5 Hz, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_3OAc$), 1.70–1.20 (m, 4H), 1.69 (tt, J = 7.0, 6.5 Hz, 2H, CH_2CH_2OAc), 1.48 (tt, J = 7.5, 6.5 Hz, 2H, $CH_2(CH_2)_2OAc$), 1.30 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.19 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.08 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.99 (d, $J=7.0 \, Hz$, 3H, CH₃CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.0, 170.6, 169.9, 152.0, 137.1, 134.3, 127.8, 125.8, 119.9, 115.7, 77.8, 75.7, 72.4, 64.2, 52.6, 43.4, 38.8, 37.8, 36.3, 33.2, 32.4, 30.7, 28.3, 27.3, 25.4, 21.0, 20.7, 16.3, 16.1, 15.4, 14.8; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₃₂H₄₉NO₇S $(M + Cs^{+})$ 724.2284, found 724.2308.

cis-Macrolactone 18b. A solution of vinyl iodide 7 (9.2 mg, 0.018 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8b** (10.7 mg, 0.036 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (2.1 mg, 0.0018 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed toluene (180 µL, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 40 min, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18h, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 75% ether in hexanes), macrolactone **18b** (4.1 mg, 44%). $R_f = 0.50$ (silica gel, 50%) EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{\rm p}^{22}$ -38.6 (c 0.21, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) $\nu_{\rm max}$ 3444, 2925, 1732, 1682, 1259, 1037, 756 cm⁻¹; ^{1}H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.99 (s, 1H, $CH = C(CH_3)$, 6.52 (bs, 1H, ArH), 5.45 (ddd, J = 10.5, 10.5, 4.0 Hz, 2H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.39 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.29 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.20 (ddd, J = 11.0, 5.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, $(CH_3)_2CCH(OH)$), 3.75–3.73 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.13 (qd, J = 6.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.98 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 2.93 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H, $(CH_3)_2CCH(OH)$, 2.71 (ddd, J=15.0, 10.0, 10.0 Hz 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 2.70 (s, 3H, SCH₃), 2.51 (dd, J=15.5, 11.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.30 (dd, J=15.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.28–2.16 (m, 2H), 2.13 (d, J=1.0 Hz, 3H, CH=C(CH₃)), 2.06–1.98 (m, 1H), 1.79–1.60 (m, 2H), 1.40–1.06 (m, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.19 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 1.09 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.00 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.4, 170.4, 165.7, 152.7, 138.6, 133.5, 124.9, 119.1, 115.9, 78.8, 74.1, 72.6, 53.2, 41.8, 39.2, 38.6, 32.5, 31.7, 27.6, 27.5, 22.6, 19.0, 16.7, 15.6, 15.6, 13.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₂₆H₃₉NO₅S₂ (M+Cs⁺) 642.1324, found 642.1345.

trans-Macrolactone 19b. A solution of vinyl iodide 11 (6.9 mg, 0.014 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8b** (8.2 mg, 0.028 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (1.6 mg, 0.0014 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed toluene (140 µL, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 40 min, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18h, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 75% ether in hexanes), macrolactone **19b** (5.0 mg, 72%). $R_f = 0.47$ (silica gel, 50%) EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{22}$ – 32.9 (c 0.35, CHCl₃); IR (film) $v_{\rm max}$ 3488, 2928, 1728, 1692, 1259, 1036, 800, 757 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.00 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.48 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.53 (ddd, J=15.0, 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 5.40 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 5.39 (ddd, J=15.0, 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 4.12 (ddd, J = 11.0, 2.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCHOH), 3.77–3.74 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), $3.24 \text{ (m, 1H, CH=CHC}H_2), 3.07 \text{ (m, 1H, CH}_3\text{C}H(\text{C=O})),$ 2.70 (s, 3H, SCH₃), 2.61 (d, J=3.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 2.59-2.44 (m, 5H), 2.19-2.12 (m, 1H), 2.13 (s, 3H, CH= $C(CH_3)$), 2.02–1.94 (m, 1H), 1.70–1.55 (m, 2H), 1.48–1.41 (m, 1H), 1.29 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$, 1.18 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.08 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 0.99 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.0, 170.6, 165.6, 152.8, 137.5, 134.3, 125.9, 119.4, 116.2, 78.0, 75.6, 72.6, 52.5, 43.4, 38.7, 37.8, 36.5, 32.4, 30.6, 27.3, 21.4, 20.6, 16.7, 16.3, 15.5, 14.7; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{26}H_{39}NO_5S_2$ (M + Cs⁺) 642.1324, found 642.1298.

cis-Macrolactone 18c. A solution of vinyl iodide 7 (7.0 mg, 0.014 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane 8c (9.2 mg, 0.028 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (0.8 mg, 0.0007 mmol, 0.05 equiv) in degassed toluene (140 µL, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 40 min according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18h, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 75% ether in hexanes) macrolactone **18c** (5.4 mg, 72%). $R_f = 0.32$ (silica gel, 50%) EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{122}$ –48.5 (c 0.40, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) $v_{\rm max}$ 3452, 2930, 2857, 1731, 1685, 1531, 1451, 1256 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.36 (bs, 1H, ArH), 6.35 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.41 (ddd, J=11.0, 11.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.39 (ddd, J=11.0, 11.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 5.23 (d, J=9.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.27 (d, $J = 10.5 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H, $(CH_3)_2 CCH(OH)$), 3.73–3.72 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.60 (bs, 1H, OH), 3.45 (bt, 4H, J = 5.5 Hz, $CH_2(CH_2CH_2)_2N$), 3.14 (qd, $J = 7.0, 2.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{CH}_3\text{C}H(\text{C}=\text{O}), 3.11 \text{ (bs, 1H, OH)},$ 2.67 (ddd, J=15.5, 10.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CHC H_2), 2.47 (dd, J = 15.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.30 (dd, $J = 15.5, 2.5 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{CH}_2\text{COO}), 2.28-2.17 \text{ (m, 2H)}, 2.10$ (d, $J=1.0\,\mathrm{Hz}$, 3H, CH=C(CH₃)), 2.06–1.97 (m, 1H), 1.80–1.60 (m, 2H), 1.70–1.56 (m, 6H, CH₂(CH₂CH₂)₂N), 1.39–1.08 (m, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.18 (d, $J=6.5\,\mathrm{Hz}$, 3H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 1.07 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.00 (d, $J=7.5\,\mathrm{Hz}$, 3H, CH₃CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.7, 170.9, 170.4, 148.8, 137.8, 133.2, 125.3, 119.9, 105.0, 78.7, 74.0, 72.3, 55.6, 49.6, 41.5, 39.5, 38.5, 32.4, 31.9, 27.6, 27.4, 25.1, 24.1, 22.9, 18.3, 15.8, 15.5, 13.4; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₃₀H₄₇N₂O₅S (M+H⁺) 547.3206, found 547.3187.

trans-Macrolactone 19c. A solution of vinyl iodide 11 (6.0 mg, 0.012 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8c** (7.9 mg, 0.024 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (0.7 mg, 0.0006 mmol, 0.05 equiv) in degassed toluene (120 µL, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 40 min, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18h, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 75% ether in hexanes), macrolactone 19c (2.9 mg, 44%). $R_f = 0.56$ (silica gel, 50% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ –23.8 (c 0.21, CHCl₃); IR (film) v_{max} 3421, 2928, 2856, 1729, 1692, 1531, 1450, 1256 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.37 (s, 1H, $CH=CCH_3$), 6.31 (s, 1H, ArH), 5.51 (ddd, J=15.0, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.40 (ddd, J=15.0, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.38 (dd, J = 8.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.12 (ddd, J = 6.0, 2.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂C CHOH), 3.76 (q, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.45(bt, 4H, J = 5.5 Hz, $CH_2(CH_2CH_2)_2N$), 3.30 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 3.25–3.20 (m, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 2.61 (d, J=3.5 Hz, 1H, $CHOH(CHCH_3)$), 2.54 (dd, J = 15.0, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.49–2.41 (m, 4H), 2.18-2.13 (m, 1H), 2.13 (d, J=1.5 Hz, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 2.02–1.93 (m, 2H), 1.69–1.65 (m, 6H, $CH_2(CH_2CH_2)_2N$), 1.48–1.43 (m, 3H), 1.29 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$, 1.18 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.07 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 0.98 (d, $J = 7.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 3H, CH₃CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.2, 170.6, 149.3, 135.9, 134.0, 126.1, 120.7, 105.9, 78.2, 75.4, 72.4, 55.7, 49.5, 43.2, 38.8, 38.0, 36.5, 32.4, 30.9, 29.9, 27.4, 25.1, 24.1, 20.8, 16.1, 15.2, 14.6; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{30}H_{47}N_2O_5S$ (M + H +) 547.3206, found 547.3222.

cis-Macrolactone 18d. A solution of vinyl iodide 7 (14 mg, 0.028 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8d** (14 mg, 0.055 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and $Pd(MeCN)_2Cl_2$ (2.0 mg, 0.008 mmol, 0.3 equiv) in degassed DMF (280 μL, 0.1 M) was stirred at 25°C for 20 h. The resulting mixture was then concentrated under reduced pressure, filtered through silica, eluting with EtOAc, and purified by preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 50% ether in hexanes) to furnish macrolactone **18d** (12.5 mg, 89%). $R_f = 0.30$ (silica gel, 66% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22} - 70.2$ (c 0.63, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3501, 2934, 1732, 1688, 1526, 1472, 1386, 1232, 1150, 1091, 1007 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.47 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.33 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.43 (ddd, J = 10.5, 10.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.37 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 5.26 (dd, J=9.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.44 (q, J=7.0 Hz, 2H, CH_3CH_2O), 4.18 (ddd, J=11.0, 5.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, $(CH_3)_2CCH(OH)$, 3.73 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.12 (qd, J=7.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.98 (d, J= 1.5 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.95 (d, J= 5.5 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.69 (ddd, J= 15.0, 10.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.49 (dd, J= 15.5, 11.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.36 (dd, J= 15.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.23–2.16 (m, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H, CH=C(C H_3)), 2.04–1.98 (m, 1H), 1.77–1.71 (m, 1H), 1.70–1.61 (m, 1H), 1.42 (t, J= 7.0 Hz, 3H, C H_3 CH₂O), 1.38–1.16 (m, 2H), 1.31 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.17 (d, J= 7.0 Hz, 3H, C H_3 CH(C=O)), 1.08 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 0.99 (d, J= 7.0 Hz, 3H, C H_3 CHCH₂O); 1.37.6, 133.4, 125.0, 119.8, 109.1, 79.0, 74.1, 72.6, 67.7, 53.1, 41.8, 39.2, 38.5, 32.5, 31.7, 27.5, 27.5, 22.6, 19.1, 15.6, 15.3, 14.5, 13.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₂₇H₄₁NO₆S (M+Cs⁺) 640.1709, found 640.1732.

trans-Macrolactone 19d. A solution of vinyl iodide 11 (14 mg, 0.028 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8d** (23 mg, 0.055 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (2.0 mg, 0.008 mmol, 0.3 equiv) in degassed DMF (280 µL, 0.1 M) was stirred at 25°C for 20 h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone **18d** to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 50% EtOAc in hexanes), macrolactone **19d** (12 mg, 86%). $R_f = 0.27$ (silica gel, 66% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{22}$ –28.0 (c 0.48, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) $v_{\rm max}$ 3495, 2930, 1732, 1690, 1526, 1472, 1233, 1017, 976 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.50 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.30 (s, 1H, CH=C(CH₃)), 5.57-5.51 $(m, 1H, CH=CHCH_2), 5.42-5.36 (m, 1H, CH=CHCH_2),$ 5.37 (dd, J=9.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.46 (q, $J = 7.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 2H, CH₃CH₂O), 4.10 (ddd, J = 10.5, 3.5, $3.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, $1 \,\mathrm{H}$, $(\mathrm{CH_3})_2 \,\mathrm{CC} H(\mathrm{OH})$, 3.76 - 3.73 (m, $1 \,\mathrm{H}$, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.23 (qd, J = 7.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 3.07 (d, J=3.5 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.57–2.38 (m, 3H), 2.56 (dd, J=15.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.47 (dd, J = 15.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.18–2.16 (m, 1H), 2.13 (s, 3H, CH= $C(CH_3)$), 2.03–1.94 (m, 1H), 1.70–1.55 (m, 2H), 1.48–1.41 (m, 1H), 1.44 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH_3CH_2O), 1.29 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.27– 1.16 (m, 1H), 1.18 (d, $J = 7.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.08 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 0.98 (d, $J = 7.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 3H, CH₃CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.0, 173.3, 170.6, 146.8, 136.4, 134.1, 126.1, 120.2, 109.5, 78.3, 75.5, 72.6, 67.7, 52.4, 43.4, 38.7, 37.8, 36.6, 32.4, 30.7, 27.4, 21.2, 20.5, 16.2, 15.0, 14.7, 14.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{27}H_{41}NO_6S$ (M+Cs⁺) 640.1709, found 640.1731.

cis-Macrolactone 18e. A solution of vinyl iodide 7 (5.1 mg, 0.010 mmol, 1.0 equiv), tri-*n*-butylstannane 8e¹⁶ (7.5 mg, 0.020 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (1.1 mg, 0.001 mmol, 0.10 equiv) in degassed toluene (100 μL, 0.1 M) were heated at 100°C for 20 min, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18h, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (500 μm silica gel plate, 50% EtOAc in hexanes), macrolactone 18e (3.2 mg, 70%). R_f =0.42 (silica gel, 50% EtOAc in hexanes); [α]_D²² –30.4 (*c* 0.35, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) ν_{max} 3438, 2927, 2857, 1730, 1688, 1463, 1383, 1294, 1254, 1151, 1090, 1050, 980, 756 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.79 (d, J=2.0 Hz, 1H, NCHS), 7.20 (d, J=2.0 Hz, 1H, NCHC), 6.70 (s, 1H, C*H*=C(CH₃)), 5.46 (ddd, J=10.5,

10.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.39 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.33 (dd, J=9.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.22 (dd, J=11.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, $(CH_3)_2CCH(OH)$, 3.75–3.73 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.14 (qd, J = 7.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.05 (d, $J = 5.5 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.00 (s, 1H, $C(CH_3)_2CHOH$, 2.73 (ddd, J=15.0, 9.5, 9.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.51 (dd, J=15.5, 11.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.38 (dd, J=15.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.31-2.24 (m, 1H, CH=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.24-2.16 (m, 1H), 2.13 (s, 3H, CH= $C(CH_3)$), 2.07–1.99 (m, 1H), 1.81–1.73 (m, 1H), 1.71–1.61 (m, 1H), 1.41–1.16 (m, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.19 (d, $J=7.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.09 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.00 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.5, 170.4, 153.4, 152.0, 138.8, 133.5, 124.9, 119.2, 116.2, 78.6, 74.1, 72.6, 53.2, 41.8, 39.2, 38.6, 32.5, 31.7, 27.6, 27.5, 22.6, 18.9, 15.7, 15.5, 13.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{25}H_{37}NO_5S$ (M+Cs⁺) 596.1447, found 596.1430.

trans-Macrolactone 19e. A solution of vinyl iodide 11 (5.1 mg, 0.010 mmol, 1.0 equiv), tri-*n*-butylstannane **8e**¹⁶ (7.5 mg, 0.020 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (1.1 mg, 0.002 mmol, 0.10 equiv) in degassed toluene (100 µL, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 20 min, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18h, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (500 µm silica gel plate, 50% EtOAc in hexanes), macrolactone **19e** (3.4 mg, 74%). $R_f = 0.47$ (silica gel, 50% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ –34.9 (c 0.35, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3437, 2928, 2858, 1728, 1692, 1464, 1379, 1253, 1151, 1045, 975, 756 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR $(500 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta 8.80 \text{ (d, } J = 1.5 \text{ Hz, } 1\text{H, } \text{NCHS)},$ 7.21 (d, $J=1.5\,\text{Hz}$, 1H, NCHC), 6.66 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.53 (ddd, J=14.5, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.42 (dd, J=5.5, 5.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 5.39 (ddd, J = 14.5, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 4.19 (ddd, J=10.0, 3.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OH)), 3.74(dd, J = 6.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.26 (qd, J = 7.0, 6.5 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.08 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.71 (d, J=3.5 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.57 (dd, J = 15.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.52–2.44 (m, 2H, CH=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.50 (dd, J=15.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.22–2.14 (m, 1H), 2.12 (s, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 2.02–1.92 (m, 1H), 1.69–1.56 (m, 2H), 1.51–1.43 (m, 1H), 1.36–1.16 (m, 2H), 1.29 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$, 1.18 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.07 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 0.98 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.0, 170.4, 153.4, 151.9, 137.7, 134.4, 125.7, 119.5, 116.3, 77.7, 75.8, 72.5, 52.5, 43.6, 38.8, 37.8, 36.3, 32.5, 30.6, 27.3, 21.2, 20.6, 16.4, 15.6, 14.8; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₂₅H₃₇NO₅S $(M + Cs^+)$ 596.1447, found 596.1431.

cis-Macrolactone 18f. A solution of vinyl iodide 7 (5.1 mg, 0.010 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane $8f^{16}$ (7.5 mg, 0.020 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (1.1 mg, 0.001 mmol, 0.10 equiv) in degassed toluene (100 μ L, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 20 min, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18h, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (500 μ m silica gel plate, 50% EtOAc in hexanes),

macrolactone **18f** (3.9 mg, 84%). $R_f = 0.18$ (silica gel, 33% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ -78.9 (c 0.35, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3380, 2930, 1734, 1687, 1464, 1374, 1297, 1251, 1146, 1054, 1008, 979, 755 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.80 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H, NCHCHS), 7.34 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H, NCHCHS), 6.90 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$, 5.46 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.38 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.32 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.25 (dd, J=11.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OH)), 3.73 (d, J = 2 Hz, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.23 (bs, 1H, OH), 3.13 (qd, J = 6.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.01 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.66 (ddd, J=15.0, 10.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.52 (dd, J=15.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.37 (dd, J=15.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.34-2.27 (m, 1H, CH=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.25-2.15 (m, 1H), 2.18 (s, 3H, CH= $C(CH_3)$), 2.07–2.00 (m, 1H), 1.95–1.85 (m, 1H), 1.80–1.73 (m, 1H), 1.73–1.63 (m, 1H), 1.40–1.10 (m, 2H), 1.34 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.19 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.08 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.99 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.5, 170.2, 164.8, 142.6, 142.2, 133.8, 124.6, 119.2, 119.1, 78.0, 74.2, 72.4, 53.3, 41.8, 39.1, 38.6, 32.5, 31.6, 27.5, 27.5, 22.7, 18.7, 16.7, 15.4, 13.6; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{25}H_{37}NO_5S$ (M + C_{8}^+) 596.1447, found 596.1468.

trans-Macrolactone 19f. A solution of vinyl iodide 11 (5.1 mg, 0.010 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8f**¹⁶ (7.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (1.1 mg, 0.001 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed toluene (100 µL, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 40 min, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18h, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 50% EtOAc in hexanes), macrolactone **19f** (4.1 mg, 88%). $R_f = 0.42$ (silica gel, 50% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -53.7 (c 0.35, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3380, 2928, 1732, 1690, 1463, 1373, 1250, 1135, 1053, 1017, 974, 754 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (d, $J = 3.5 \,\text{Hz}$, (500 MHz, NCHCHS), 7.34 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H, NCHCHS), 6.86 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.51 (ddd, J=15.0, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.41 (dd, J=7.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), $5.34 \text{ (ddd, } J = 15.0, 7.0, 7.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H, C}H = \text{CHCH}_2), 4.24$ (dd, J = 10.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OH)), 3.74 (d, $J=4.5 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.26 (qd, J=7.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 3.11 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.95 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.57 (dd, J=15.5, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.52–2.40 (m, 2H, CH=CHCH₂CHO), 2.50 (dd, J=15.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.23-2.15 (m, 1H),2.17 (s, 3H, CH=C(C H_3)), 2.00-1.92 (m, 1H), 1.66-1.58(m, 2H), 1.53–1.44 (m, 1H), 1.38–1.15 (m, 2H), 1.29 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.19 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.07 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.98 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 219.9, 170.5, 164.5, 142.7, 141.1, 134.9, 125.1, 119.5, 119.1, 76.9, 76.1, 72.4, 52.5, 43.7, 38.8, 37.6, 35.9, 32.5, 30.5, 27.1, 21.0, 20.8, 16.6, 16.6, 14.9; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{25}H_{37}NO_5S$ (M + Cs⁺) 596.1447, found 596.1430.

cis-Macrolactone 18g. A solution of vinyl iodide 7 (10 mg, 0.020 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane $8g^{16}$ (10 mg, 0.040 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (2.5 mg,

0.002 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed toluene (200 μL, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 40 min, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone **18h**, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 50% EtOAc in hexanes), macrolactone 18g (6.5 mg, 73%). $R_f = 0.24$ (silica gel, 50% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ –29.3 (c 0.15, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3224, 2922, 2853, 1721, 1682, 1460, 1254, 1089, 1050, 991, 884, 807, 702 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.74 (s, 1H, NCHS), 7.82 (s, 1H, NCHC), 6.75 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.46 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 5.39 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.34 (dd, J = 8.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.14-4.08 (m, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OH)), 3.76-3.72 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.12 (qd, J=7.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.87 (bs, OH), 2.73 (ddd, $J = 15.0, 10.5, 8.5 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{CH} = \text{CHC}H_2\text{CHO}), 2.52 \text{ (dd,}$ J=15.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.44 (dd, J=15.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.39–2.34 (m, 1H), 2.26–2.13 (m, 2H), 2.08-1.95 (m, 2H), 2.00 (s, 3H, CH=C(CH₃)),1.77-1.15 (m, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.18 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.09 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.99 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.0, 170.2, 152.3, 143.3, 137.0, 133.6, 124.4, 121.4, 116.6, 78.6, 74.1, 72.6, 53.2, 41.8, 39.2, 38.6, 32.5, 31.7, 27.6, 27.5, 22.6, 18.9, 15.7, 15.5, 13.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{25}H_{37}NO_5S$ (M + Na⁺) 486.2290, found 486.2278.

trans-Macrolactone 19g. A solution of vinyl iodide 11 (12 mg, 0.024 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane 8g¹⁶ (12 mg, 0.047 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (3.0 mg, 0.002 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed toluene (250 µL, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 40 min, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18h, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 50% EtOAc in hexanes), macrolactone **19g** (8.5 mg, 76%). $R_f = 0.25$ (silica gel, 66%) EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ -15.9 (c 0.33, CHCl₃); IR (film) v_{max} 3419, 2932, 1734, 1728, 1691, 1466, 1375, 1252, 1149, 1043, 1008, 975, 881 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.80 (s, 1H, NCHS), 7.83 (s, 1H, NCHC), 6.72 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.57 (ddd, J=15.0, 7.5, 6.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.42 (dd, J = 9.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 5.38 (ddd, J=15.0, 8.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 4.09 (ddd, J = 10.5, 3.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H, $(CH_3)_2CCHOH)$, 3.78–3.72 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.23 (qd, J = 6.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.90 (d, $J = 4.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H, OH), 2.58 (dd, J = 15.0, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.52 (dd, J=15.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.20 (m, 2H), 2.05–1.94 (m, 1H), 1.72–1.64 (m, 1H), 1.64–1.55 (m, 1H), 1.48–1.37 (m, 1H), 1.35–1.16 (m, 3H), 1.30 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.19 (d, J=6.5 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.09 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.98 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 219.8, 170.5, 152.4, 143.3, 136.7, 134.4, 133.9, 125.7, 116.6, 77.9, 75.3, 72.7, 52.2, 43.4, 38.5, 37.6, 36.7, 32.2, 30.6, 27.2, 21.5, 20.3, 16.1, 15.3, 14.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{25}H_{37}NO_5S$ (M+Cs⁺) 486.2290, found 486.2487.

trans-Macrolactone 19h. A solution of vinyl iodide 11 (5.1 mg, 0.010 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane 8h (8.0 mg,

0.020 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ (1.1 mg, 0.001 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed toluene (100 µL, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 20 min according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone **18h**, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (500 µm silica gel plate, 50% EtOAc in hexanes), macrolactone 19h (4.3 mg, 88%). $R_f = 0.20$ (silica gel, 50% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{p}^{22}$ -31.5 (c 0.60, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3410, 2930, 1726, 1692, 1463, 1374, 1255, 1180, 1064, 973 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.13 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.60 (s, 1H, CH=C(CH₃)), 5.48 (ddd, J = 15.0, 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.40 (dd, J = 5.5, 5.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 5.35 (ddd, J = 5.0, 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H, CH= $CHCH_2$), 4.91 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2OH), 4.23 (ddd, J=9.5, 3.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H, $(CH_3)_2CCH(OH)$, 3.74 (ddd, J=7.0, 5.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.34 (t, $J = 7.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H, CH₂OH), 3.26 (qd, J = 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.05 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H, C(CH₃)₂CHOH), 3.00 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H, CH₃CHCH(OH)CHCH₃), 2.56 (dd, J = 15.5, 9.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.47 (dd, J = 15.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.58–2.45 (m, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2CH$), 2.24– 2.16 (m, 1H, CH=CHC H_2 CH), 2.08 (s, 3H, CH=CCH₃), 1.98-1.90 (m, 1H), 1.63-1.56 (m, 2H), 1.54–1.46 (m, 1H), 1.41–1.30 (m, 1H), 1.27 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$, 1.20 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.07 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 0.99 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 219.6, 170.4, 169.7, 158.1, 152.4, 137.5, 134.7, 125.3, 116.3, 76.8, 76.3, 72.2, 61.8, 53.5, 44.0, 39.1, 37.6, 35.8, 32.6, 30.2, 27.1, 21.0, 20.9, 16.7, 15.9, 15.1; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{26}H_{39}NO_6S (M + Cs^+) 626.1552$, found 626.1536.

cis-Macrolactone 18i. A solution of vinyl iodide 7 (7.9 mg, 0.016 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane 8i (10.0 mg, 0.031 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ (1.8 mg, 0.002 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed toluene (150 µL, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 40 min according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone **18h**, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 50% EtOAc in hexanes), macrolactone **18i** (5.0 mg, 60%). $R_f = 0.33$ (silica gel, 50% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ –58.6 (c 0.14, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3466, 2927, 1740, 1687, 1464, 1375, 1224, 1047, 1008, 977 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 7.15 (m, 1H, ArH), 6.61 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.45 (ddd, J = 10.5, 10.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.41-5.35 (m, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.35 (s, 2H, CH_2OAc), 5.31–5.29 (m, 1H, CHOCO), 4.20 (m, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OH)), 3.74 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.13 (qd, J = 6.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.03–2.96 (m, 2H, OH), 2.70 (ddd, J=15.0, 10.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.51 (dd, J=15.0, 11.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.38 (dd, J=15.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.28–2.23 (m, 1H), 2.22–2.14 (m, 2H), 2.16 (s, 3H, $COCH_3$), 2.11 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 2.05–1.98 (m, 1H), 1.79–1.72 (m, 1H), 1.71–1.64 (m, 1H), 1.39–1.15 (m, 2H), 1.33 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.19 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.09 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.00 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.5, 170.4, 163.6, 152.7, 139.2, 133.6, 124.9, 119.1, 117.6, 116.5, 78.5, 74.1, 72.5, 62.4, 53.2, 41.8, 39.2, 38.6, 32.5, 31.7, 29.7, 27.5, 27.5, 22.6, 18.8, 15.7, 15.5, 13.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{28}H_{41}NO_7S$ (M+Cs⁺) 668.1658, found 668.1679.

trans-Macrolactone 19i. A solution of vinyl iodide 11 (11.0 mg, 0.022 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8i** (14.0 mg, 0.044 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (2.5 mg, 0.002 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed toluene (210 µL, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 40 min according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18h, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 50% EtOAc in hexanes), unreacted vinyl iodide 11 (2.5 mg, 36%) and macrolactone **19i** (4.5 mg, 39%). R_f =0.30 (silica gel, 50% EtOAc in hexanes); [α]_D²² -33.7 (c 0.18, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3497, 2933, 1739, 1694, 1506, 1456, 1374, 1225, 1046, 976 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.16 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.58 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.56–5.50 $(m, 1H, CH=CHCH_2), 5.41-5.35 (m, 2H, CH=CHCH_2)$ and CHOCO), 5.36 (s, 2H, CH_2OAc), 4.15 (dd, J=10.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, $(CH_3)_2CCH(OH)$), 3.75–3.73 (m, 1H, $CHOH(CHCH_3)$), 3.24 (qd, J=7.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 3.10 (m, 1H, OH), 2.62 (m, 1H, OH), 2.56 (dd, J = 15.0, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.48 (dd, J = 15.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.47–2.43 (m, 2H), 2.20-2.14 (m, 1H), 2.16 (s, 3H, COCH₃), 2.10 (d, J=1.5 Hz, 3H, CH=C(C H_3)), 2.01–1.94 (m, 1H), 1.69– 1.55 (m, 2H), 1.49–1.41 (m, 1H), 1.30–1.15 (m, 2H), 1.29 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.18 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.07 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.98 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.0, 170.6, 163.6, 152.7, 138.0, 134.4, 125.8, 119.4, 117.7, 116.5, 77.8, 75.7, 72.5, 62.5, 52.5, 43.5, 38.7, 37.8, 36.4, 32.4, 30.7, 29.7, 27.3, 21.1, 20.6, 16.3, 15.6, 14.7; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{28}H_{41}NO_7S$ (M+Cs⁺) 668.1658, found 668.1681.

cis-Macrolactone 18j. A solution of vinyl iodide 7 (12.5 mg, 0.025 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8j** (20 mg, 0.049 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (1.5 mg, 0.006 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in degassed DMF (250 μL, 0.1 M) was stirred at 25°C for 20 h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone **18d**, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 67% ether in hexanes) macrolactone **18j** (9 mg, 74%). $R_f = 0.32$ (silica gel, 50% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -65.3 (c 0.45, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3406, 2924, 2852, 1732, 1682, 1455, 1366, 1263, 1192, 1148, 1096, 1043, 983, 881 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.21 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.62 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.60 (d, J=47.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2F), 5.45 (ddd, J = 10.5, 10.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.38 (ddd, J = 10.0, 10.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.31 (dd, J = 10.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.19 (ddd, 1H, J = 11.0, 5.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OH)), 3.73 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.13 (qd, J=7.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.97 (d, J=2.0 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.93 (d, $J = 5.5 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 1H, OH), 2.71 (ddd, J = 15.0, 10.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.51 (dd, J=15.5, 11.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.39 (dd, J=15.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.29–2.22 (m, 1H), 2.22–2.16 (m, 1H), 2.11 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 3H, CH=C(CH₃)), 2.06–1.99 (m, 1H), 1.77– 1.71 (m, 1H), 1.69–1.62 (m, 1H), 1.38–1.16 (m, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.18 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.08 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.00 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.4, 160.3, 170.4, 153.0, 139.3, 133.6, 124.8, 119.1, 117.9, 80.5 (d, J=676 Hz) 78.6, 74.1, 72.6, 53.1, 41.9, 39.2, 38.6, 32.5, 31.7, 27.5, 27.5, 22.6, 19.0, 15.6, 15.5, 13.6; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₂₆H₃₈FNO₅S (M+Cs⁺) 628.1509, found 628.1530.

trans-Macrolactone 19j. A solution of vinyl iodide 11 (15 mg, 0.030 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8j** (27 mg, 0.066 mmol, 2.2 equiv) and $Pd(MeCN)_2Cl_2$ (1.5 mg, 0.006 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in degassed DMF (300 µL, 0.1 M) was stirred at 25°C for 20 h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18d, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 50% EtOAc in hexanes) macrolactone **19j** (11 mg, 75%). $R_f = 0.17$ (silica gel, 33%) ether in hexanes); $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{22}$ -37.1 (c 0.55, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3508, 2934, 1730, 1690, 1505, 1461, 1428, 1366, 1251, 1196, 1150, 1041, 977 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.22 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.58 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.61 (d, J=47.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2F), 5.55– 5.50 (m, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.41-5.35 (m, 2H, $CH = CHCH_2$ and CHOCO), 4.15 (ddd, J = 10.0, 3.5, $3.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, $1 \,\mathrm{H}$, $(\mathrm{CH_3})_2 \mathrm{CC} H(\mathrm{OH})$, 3.75 - 3.73 (m, $1 \,\mathrm{H}$, $CHOH(CHCH_3)$), 3.24 (qd, J=7.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 3.05 (d, J=4.0 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.62 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.56 (dd, J = 15.0, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.49 (dd, J=15.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.49-2.44 (m, 2H), 2.20-2.13 (m, 1H), 2.10 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 2.01–1.93 (m, 1H), 1.67–1.56 (m, 2H), 1.49–1.43 (m, 1H), 1.31–1.17 (m, 2H), 1.28 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$, 1.18 (d, J=6.5 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.07 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 0.98 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 219.9, 170.5, 163.5, 153.0, 138.2, 134.4, 125.7, 119.3, 118.0, 80.6 (d, J = 675 Hz), 77.7, 75.7, 72.5, 52.4, 43.6, 38.7, 37.7, 36.4, 32.4, 30.6, 27.3, 21.2, 20.6, 16.4, 15.5, 14.8; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{26}H_{38}FNO_5S$ (M+Cs⁺) 628.1509, found 628.1487.

cis-Macrolactone 18k. A solution of vinyl iodide 7 (5.1 mg, 0.010 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8k** (7.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (0.5 mg, 0.002 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in degassed DMF (100 µL, 0.1 M) was stirred at 25°C for 12h according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18d, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (500 µm silica gel plate, 33% EtOAc in hexanes) to furnish macrolactone **18k** (3.9 mg, 87%). $R_f = 0.53$ (silica gel, 33% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -45.8 (c 0.45, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3500, 2929, 1730, 1689, 1463, 1378, 1296, 1253, 1154, 1088, 1047, 1013, 980, $753\,cm^{-1}$; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39, (d, $J=2.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 1H, ArH), 6.41 (dd, J=3.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.37 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 6.30 (d, 1H, $J = 3.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, ArH), 5.44 (ddd, J = 10.5, 10.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.38 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.32 (dd, J=9.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.14–4.07 (m, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OH)), 3.76–3.74 (m, 1H, $CHOH(CHCH_3)$), 3.13 (qd, J=6.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.87 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.72 (ddd, J=15.0, 10.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.53 (dd, J=15.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.50 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.44 (dd, J=15.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.25–2.15 (m, 1H), 2.07–1.98 (m, 1H), 2.04 (s, 3H, CH=C(CH₃)), 1.78–1.71 (m, 1H), 1.70–1.61 (m, 1H), 1.39–1.16 (m, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.18 (d, J=6.5 Hz, 3H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 1.10 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.00 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, CH₃CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.2, 170.3, 152.4, 141.6, 134.2, 133.6, 124.7, 115.7, 111.3, 109.8, 79.1, 74.1, 72.9, 52.8, 42.2, 39.0, 38.6, 32.6, 31.7, 27.7, 27.6, 22.3, 19.9, 15.6, 15.1, 13.7; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₂₆H₃₈O₆ (M+Cs⁺) 579.1723, found 579.1705.

trans-Macrolactone 19k. A solution of vinyl iodide 11 (5.1 mg, 0.010 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8k** (7.1 mg, 0.020 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (0.5 mg, 0.002 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in degassed DMF (100 µL, 0.1 M) was stirred at 25°C for 12h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone **18d**, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (500 µm silica gel plate, 33% EtOAc in hexanes) macrolactone **19k** (4.1 mg, 92%). $R_f = 0.44$ (silica gel, 33% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ –18.8 (c 0.44, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3518, 2929, 1728, 1692, 1463, 1375, 1255, 1153, 1075, 1016, 975, 754 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR $(500 \,\mathrm{MHz}, \,\mathrm{CDCl_3}) \,\delta \,7.40 \,(\mathrm{s}, \,\mathrm{1H}, \,\mathrm{ArH}), \,6.41 \,(\mathrm{dd}, \,\mathrm{cd})$ J=3.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.33 (s, 1H, CH=C(CH₃)), 6.31 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 5.55 (ddd, J = 14.5, 7.0, $7.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, $1 \,\mathrm{H}$, $CH = CHCH_2$), $5.38 \,\mathrm{(dd)} \, J = 9.0, \, 4.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, $1 \,\mathrm{H}$, CHOCO), 5.43-5.34 (m, 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 4.10-4.05 $(m, 1H, (CH_3)_2CCH(OH)), 3.78-3.72$ (m,CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.24 (qd, J=7.0, 6.5 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.93 (d, J=3.5 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.57 (dd, J=15.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.50 (dd, J=15.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.47–2.37 (m, 2H), 2.19–2.0 (m, 1H), 2.04–1.95 (m, 1H), 2.03 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 1.71–1.61 (m, 2H), 1.48–1.39 (m, 1H), 1.38–1.32 (m, 1H), 1.29 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.27–1.20 (m, 3H), 1.18 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.08 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.98 (d, $J = 7.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.2, 170.6, 152.3, 141.7, 134.3, 133.8, 126.1, 115.6, 111.3, 109.8, 78.2, 75.4, 72.7, 52.3, 43.5, 38.6, 37.8, 36.8, 32.4, 30.8, 27.4, 21.5, 20.4, 16.3, 15.2, 14.7; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₂₆H₃₈O₆ $(M + Cs^+)$ 579.1723, found 579.1707.

cis-Macrolactone 18l. A solution of vinyl iodide 7 (5.1 mg, 0.010 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **81** (7.5 mg, 0.020 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (0.5 mg, 0.002 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in degassed DMF (100 μL, 0.1 M) was stirred at 25°C for 12h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18d, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (500 µm silica gel plate, 33% EtOAc in hexanes), macrolactone **181** (4.1 mg, 88%). $R_f = 0.49$ (silica gel, 33% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{\rm p}^{22}$ -34.0 (c 0.40, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) $v_{\rm max}$ 3498, 2928, 2858, 1729, 1688, 1462, 1377, 1251, 1152, 1089, 1048, 1008, 978, 756 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29, (dd, J=3.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, SCHCHCH), 7.03 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.73 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.45 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.39 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.37 (dd, J = 10.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO),

4.10 (ddd, J = 10.5, 5.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OH)), 3.77-3.74 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.14 (qd, J=7.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.88 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.76 (ddd, J=14.0, 10.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CHCH₂CHO),2.53 (dd, J = 16.0, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.46 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.45 (dd, J = 16.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.25– 2.15 (m, 2H), 2.04–1.97 (m, 1H), 2.04 (s, 3H, CH=CCH₃), 1.78-1.70 (m, 1H), 1.70-1.55 (m, 1H), 1.42-1.15 (m, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.18 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.10 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.00 (d, $J = 7.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.2, 170.4, 139.9, 133.8, 133.6, 127.9, 126.9, 125.6, 124.8, 120.6, 79.4, 74.1, 73.0, 52.8, 42.1, 39.1, 38.6, 32.6, 31.8, 27.7, 27.6, 22.3, 19.9, 15.6, 15.1, 13.7; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{26}H_{38}O_5S$ $(M + Na^{+})$ 485.2338, found 485.2321.

trans-Macrolactone 19l. A solution of vinyl iodide 11 (5.1 mg, 0.010 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **81** (7.5 mg, 0.020 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (0.5 mg, 0.002 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in degassed DMF (100 µL, 0.1 M) was stirred at 25°C for 12 h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone **18d**, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (500 µm silica gel plate, 18% EtOAc in hexanes) macrolactone **19I** (4.4 mg, 94%). $R_f = 0.31$ (silica gel, 18% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{22}$ –12.9 (c 0.45, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) $v_{\rm max}$ 3495, 2928, 2928, 1727, 1692, 1462, 1374, 1251, 1150, 1044, 1012, 975, 697 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29 (dd, J = 4.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, SCHCHCH), 7.04 (d, $J=4.0\,\text{Hz}$, 1H, ArH), 7.03 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.70 (s, 1H, CH=C(CH₃)), 5.56 (ddd, J=14.5, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 5.43 (dd,J = 9.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 5.40 (ddd, J = 14.5, 8.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 4.07 (ddd, J=10.5, 3.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OH)), 3.78–3.74 (m, 1H, $CHOH(CHCH_3)$), 3.23 (qd, J=7.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.93 (d, J=3.5 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.57 (dd, J = 15.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.50 (dd, J = 15.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.52–2.37 (m, 2H), 2.19–2.10 (m, 1H), 2.05-1.97 (m, 1H), 2.02 (s, 3H, CH=C(C H_3)), 1.70–1.63 (m, 1H), 1.63–1.57 (m, 1H), 1.16–1.15 (m, 3H), 1.29 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.18 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.08 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.98 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.0, 170.6, 139.8, 134.2, 133.4, 127.9, 126.9, 126.1, 125.6, 120.7, 78.6, 75.4, 72.8, 52.3, 43.4, 38.6, 37.8, 37.0, 32.4, 30.7, 27.4, 21.6, 20.4, 16.3, 15.1, 14.7; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{26}H_{38}O_5S$ (M+Cs⁺) 595.1494, found 595.1511.

cis-Macrolactone 18m. A solution of vinyl iodide 7 (5.1 mg, 0.010 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane $8m^{17}$ (4.8 mg, 0.020 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (0.5 mg, 0.002 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in degassed DMF (100 μL, 0.1 M) was stirred at 25°C for 12 h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18d, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (500 μm silica gel plate, 33% EtOAc in hexanes), macrolactone 18m (3.9 mg, 86%). R_f = 0.49 (silica gel, 33% EtOAc in hexanes); [α]₂¹² –28.8 (c 0.40, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3498, 2930, 1729, 1688, 1462, 1379, 1298, 1254, 1152, 1089, 1047, 1008, 754 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR

(500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39–7.31 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.30–7.21 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.58 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.46 (ddd, J = 10.5, 10.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.42 (ddd, J=10.5, 10.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 5.38 (dd, J=9.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO, 4.12 (ddd, J=11.0, 5.5, $3.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, $1\mathrm{H}$, $(\mathrm{CH_3})_2\mathrm{CC}H(\mathrm{OH})$, 3.79-3.74 (m, $1\mathrm{H}$, $CHOH(CHCH_3)$), 3.13 (qd, J=7.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.89 (d, J=2.5 Hz, 1H, $CHOH(CHCH_3)$), $2.77 \text{ (ddd, } J = 15.5, 10.0, 10.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H, CH} = \text{CHC}H_2\text{CHO}),$ 2.54 (dd, J = 15.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.50 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OH)), 2.45 (dd, J = 15.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.28-2.17 (m, 2H), 2.08-1.98 $(m, 1H), 1.93 (s, 3H, CH=C(CH_3)), 1.81-1.71 (m, 1H),$ 1.71-1.67 (m, 1H), 1.42-1.16 (m, 3H), 1.31 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.18 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.10 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.00 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, C H_3 CHCH₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.2, 170.4, 136.9, 136.0, 133.5, 129.0, 128.2, 127.1, 126.8, 124.9, 79.3, 74.1, 72.9, 52.8, 42.1, 39.1, 38.6, 32.6, 31.7, 27.7, 27.6, 22.3, 19.9, 15.6, 14.5, 13.7; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{28}H_{40}O_5$ (M + Cs⁺) 589.1930, found 589.1944.

trans-Macrolactone 19m. A solution of vinyl iodide 11 (5.1 mg, 0.010 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8m**¹⁷ (4.8 mg, 0.020 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (0.5 mg, 0.002 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in degassed DMF ($100 \mu L$, 0.1M) was stirred at 25°C for 12h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18d, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (500 µm silica gel plate, 18% EtOAc in hexanes) macrolactone **19m** (4.1 mg, 89%). $R_f = 0.32$ (silica gel, 18%) EtOAc in hexanes); $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{22}$ -3.8 (c 0.40, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3518, 2930, 1728, 1692, 1461, 1374, 1256, 1174, 1073, 1043, 1012, 975, 755 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36–7.31 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.27–7.21 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.55 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.51 (ddd, J = 14.5, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.44 (dd, J=9.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 5.42 (ddd, J=14.5, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 4.08 (ddd, J = 10.0, 3.0, 2.5 Hz, 1 H, $(\text{CH}_3)_2 \text{CC} H(\text{OH})$, 3.78 - 3.73 (m, 1 H, $CHOH(CHCH_3)$), 3.24 (qd, J=7.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.96 (d, J=3.0 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.59 (dd, J = 15.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.51 (dd, J = 15.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.50–2.42 (m, 2H), 2.20–2.12 (m, 1H), 2.05-1.94 (m, 1H), 1.90 (s, 3H, CH=C(CH₃)),1.70–1.64 (m, 1H), 1.65–1.55 (m, 1H), 1.48–1.40 (m, 1H), 1.30–1.10 (m, 1H), 1.29 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.17 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.08 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.97 (d, $J = 7.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.0, 170.7, 136.8, 135.6, 134.1, 129.0, 128.2, 127.1, 126.8, 126.3, 78.4, 75.4, 72.7, 52.4, 43.4, 38.6, 37.8, 36.9, 32.4, 30.8, 27.5, 21.5, 20.4, 16.3, 14.7, 14.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{28}H_{40}O_5$ $(M + Cs^+)$ 589.1930, found 589.1948.

cis-Macrolactone 18n. A solution of vinyl iodide 7 (5.1 mg, 0.010 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane $8n^{17}$ (4.8 mg, 0.020 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (1.1 mg, 0.001 mmol, 0.10 equiv) in degassed toluene (100 μ L, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 20 min, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18h, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (500 μ m silica gel plate, 66% EtOAc in hexanes),

macrolactone **18n** (1.9 mg, 42%). R_f = 0.24 (silica gel, 3% MeOH in CHCl₃); [α]_D²² -20.0 (c 0.08, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3417, 2926, 1730, 1687, 1463, 1414, 1377, 1252, 1148, 1011, 979, 754 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.55–8.50 (m, 1H, ArH), 8.50–8.44 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.58 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.31–7.23 (m, 1H, ArH), 6.54 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.47 (ddd, J = 10.5, 10.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 5.41 (ddd, J = 10.5, 10.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.36 (dd, J = 10.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.16 (m, (CH₃)₂CCH(OH)), 3.78–3.74 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.13 (qd, J=7.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.89 (d, $J = 2.5 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 1H, OH), 2.76 (ddd, J = 15.0, 10.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.53 (dd, J=15.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.45 (dd, J=15.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.28–2.17 (m, 2H), 2.08–2.00 (m, 1H), 1.93 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 1.79–1.73 (m, 1H), 1.71–1.63 (m, 1H), 1.40-1.15 (m, 3H), 1.33 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.18 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.10 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.00 (d, $J = 7.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.1, 170.3, 150.1, 147.8, 138.6, 136.0, 133.6, 124.7, 123.3, 123.1, 78.9, 74.1, 73.0, 52.9, 42.1, 39.2, 38.6, 32.6, 31.6, 27.6, 27.6, 22.4, 19.7, 15.6, 14.6, 13.7; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₂₇H₄₀NO₅ (M+H⁺) 458.2906, found 458.2923.

trans-Macrolactone 19n. A solution of vinyl iodide 11 (5.1 mg, 0.010 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8n**¹⁷ (4.8 mg, 0.020 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (1.1 mg, 0.002 mmol, 0.10 equiv) in degassed toluene (100 µL, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 20 min, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18h, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (500 µm silica gel plate, 66% EtOAc in hexanes), macrolactone **19n** (2.1 mg, 46%). $R_f = 0.11$ (silica gel, 50% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22} - 12.9$ (c 0.07, CHCl₃); IR (film) v_{max} 3418, 2924, 2855, 1729, 1693, 1461, 1375, 1251, 1153, 1048, 975, 756 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.56 (bm, 1H, ArH), 8.48 (bm, 1H, ArH), 7.58 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.35 - 7.25 (m, 1H, ArH), 6.50(s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.58 (ddd, J=15.0, 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.43 (dd, J = 7.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 5.41 (ddd, J=15.0, 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H, $CH=CHCH_2$), 4.09 (ddd, J=10.5, 3.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, $(CH_3)_2CCHOH)$, 3.77–3.74 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.23 (qd, J = 7.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.89 (d, 1H, OH), 2.60 (dd, J=15.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.52 (dd, J = 15.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.52–2.45 (m, 2H), 2.20–2.13 (m, 1H), 2.05–1.97 (m, 1H), 1.91 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 1.71–1.52 (m, 2H), 1.48–1.40 (m, 1H), 1.30 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.18 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.09 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.97 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 219.9, 170.6, 150.1, 147.8, 139.2, 138.3, 135.9, 134.4, 125.9, 123.3, 123.0, 78.0, 75.4, 72.8, 52.4, 43.4, 38.6, 37.8, 36.8, 32.4, 30.8, 27.4, 26.4, 21.5, 20.4, 16.2, 14.6; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{27}H_{40}NO_5$ (M+H⁺) 458.2906, found 458.2927.

cis-Macrolactone 18o.²⁰ A solution of vinyl iodide 7 (16.5 mg, 0.033 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane 8o (22 μ L, 0.065 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (1.0 mg, 0.004 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed DMF (330 μ L, 0.1

M) was stirred at 25°C for 33 h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18d, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 50% EtOAc in hexanes) unreacted vinyl iodide 7 (3.4 mg, 21%) and macrolactone **180**²⁰ (7 mg, 51%). $R_f = 0.33$ (silica gel, 50%) EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -48.4 (c 0.64, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3494, 2932, 1737, 1688, 1622, 1464, 1364, 1300, 1249, 1226, 1150, 1090, 1049, 1006, 976 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.29 (s, 1H, CH=C(CH₃)), 5.47 (ddd, J = 10.5, 10.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.32 (ddd, J = 10.0, 10.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.15 (dd, J=9.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.13 (m, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OH)), 3.72 (m, 1H, CHOH(CHCH₃)), 3.12 (qd, J=7.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.87 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.61 (ddd, J=15.0, 10.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.50 (dd, J=15.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.42 (dd, J=15.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.36 (m, 1H), 2.23–2.12 (m, 2H), 2.22 (s, 3H, COCH₃), 2.14 (d, J=1.0 Hz, 3H, CH=C(CH₃)), 2.05–2.00 (m, 1H), 1.76–1.72 (m, 1H), 1.69–1.61 (m, 2H), 1.38–1.15 (m, 2H), 1.34 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.19 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.09 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.99 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 219.9, 198.8, 170.0, 152.9, 134.0, 124.0, 123.1, 78.0, 74.1, 72.8, 52.9, 42.0, 39.1, 38.4, 32.3, 31.9, 31.1, 27.4, 22.3, 19.2, 17.4, 15.7, 15.4, 13.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{24}H_{38}O_6$ (M + Cs⁺) 555.1723, found 555.1729.

trans-Macrolactone 190.20 A solution of vinyl iodide 11 (17 mg, 0.034 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane 8ο (23 μL, 0.068 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (1.1 mg, 0.004 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed DMF (340 µL, 0.1 M) was stirred at 25°C for 20 h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone **18d**, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 50% EtOAc in hexanes) unreacted vinyl iodide 11 (2.3 mg, 14%) and macrolactone **190**²⁰ (7 mg, 49%). $R_f = 0.31$ (silica gel, 50%) EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22} - 15.5$ (c 0.64, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3500, 2937, 1732, 1688, 1622, 1472, 1428, 1361, 1250, 1220, 1164, 1043, 1011, 974 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR $(500 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta 6.24 \text{ (s, 1H, CH=C(CH_3))}, 5.56$ 5.50 (m, 1H, CH=CHCH₂), 5.35–5.29 (m, 1H, $CH = CHCH_2$), 5.23 (dd, J = 9.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.14–4.09 (m, 1H, (CH₃)₂CCH(OH)), 3.74–3.72 (m, 1H, $CHOH(CHCH_3)$), 3.22 (qd, J=7.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.74 (d, J=4.5 Hz, 1H, OH), 2.56 (dd, J=15.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.51 (dd, J=15.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.46 (m, 1H), 2.46–2.31 (m, 2H), 2.22 (s, 3H, COCH₃), 2.20-2.12 (m, 1H), 2.13 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 2.02–1.95 (m, 1H), 1.69–1.56 (m, 2H), 1.46-1.22 (m, 2H), 1.30 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.17 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 1.08 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.97 (d, $J = 7.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 3H, CH_3CHCH_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 219.9, 198.7, 170.3, 152.8, 134.9, 125.2, 123.0, 77.1, 75.5, 72.8, 52.4, 43.4, 38.6, 37.6, 36.4, 32.2, 32.0, 30.7, 27.1, 21.4, 20.3, 16.2, 15.9, 14.6; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{24}H_{38}O_6$ (M+Cs⁺) 555.1723, found 555.1703.

Silyl ether 25. To a solution of alcohol **13** (12.96 g, 54.4 mmol, 1.0 equiv), in DMF (180 mL, 0.3 M) at 0°C,

was added imidazole (10.2 g, 150.0 mmol, 2.8 equiv) followed by TBSCl (13.5 g, 89.8 mmol, 1.7 equiv). After warming to 25°C over 7h, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the resulting oil was partitioned between ether (200 mL) and saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (200 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with ether (200 mL) and the combined organic extracts were washed with brine (550 mL), dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 0→5% EtOAc in hexanes) furnished silyl ether 25 as an oil (16.03 g, 84%). R_f =0.48 (hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -17.5 (c 1.65, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 2954, 2928, 2857, 1472, 1361, 1278, 1252, 1082, 914, 836, 776, 677 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.16 (s, 1H, CH=CCH₃), 5.74-5.66 (m, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.03 (bm, 1H, CH=CH₂), 5.01 (s, 1H, CH= CH_2), 4.16 (dd, J=6.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H, CHOTBS), 2.25 (m, 2H, $CH_2 = CHCH_2$), 1.77 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 0.88 (s, 9H, $SiC(CH_3)_3$), 0.04 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), -0.01 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.9, 134.4, 117.0, 77.5, 77.2, 41.0, 25.7, 19.6, 18.2, -4.8, -5.1.

Aldehyde 26. To a solution of olefin 25 (16.0 g, 45.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in a mixture of THF (206 mL), t-BuOH (206 mL) and H₂O (41 mL) at 0°C was added 4methylmorpholine N-oxide (NMO) (5.84 g, 49.8 mmol, 1.1 equiv) followed by OsO₄ (5.2 mL, 2.5% w/v in t-BuOH, 0.453 mmol, 0.01 equiv). The mixture was stirred vigorously for 13 h at 25°C and then quenched with saturated aqueous Na₂SO₃ (125 mL). The resulting solution was stirred for 2h and then partitioned between EtOAc (150 mL) and water (150 mL). The organic phase was separated and the aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc (2×200 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and the solvents were removed under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 50→90% ether in hexanes) provided unreacted starting material (1.0 g, 6%) and the desired diols as a ca. 1:1 mixture of diastereoisomers (15.5 g, 89%). $R_f = 0.44$ (silica gel, 50%) EtOAc in hexanes); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3387, 2952, 2928, 1252, 1080, 837, 777 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.28 and 6.26 (singlets, 1H total, CH=C(CH₃)), 4.47– 4.42 (m, 1H, CHOSi), 3.86–3.76 (m, 1H, CHOH), 3.61– 3.55 and 3.49–3.39 (m, 2H total, CH_2OH), 3.33 and 3.15 (2 doublets, J=2.0 and 3.5 Hz, 1H total, CHOH), 2.46 and 2.45 (triplets, J = 5.5 and 5.5 Hz, CH₂OH), 1.78 and 1.76 (singlets, 3H total), 1.63–1.60 and 1.58–1.53 (m, 2H total, CH₂), 0.88 and 0.87 (singlets, 9H total, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.08 and 0.07 (singlets, 3H total, Si(CH₃)₂), 0.01 and 0.00 (singlets, 3H total, Si(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.5, 149.1, 78.7, 77.8, 77.1, 76.6, 74.6, 70.5, 68.6, 66.8, 66.5, 38.6, 38.1, 25.6, 20.5, 19.2, 18.0, 17.9, -4.9, -5.1, -5.4, -5.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{13}H_{27}IO_3Si$ (M+Na⁺) 409.0672, found 409.0662.

The diols (obtained as described above) (23.3 g, 60.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv) were dissolved in a mixture of MeOH (400 mL) and water (200 mL) and the solution was cooled to 0°C. NaIO₄ (77.2 g, 361.1 mmol, 6.0 equiv) was then added portionwise over 5 min, and

the resulting slurry was vigorously stirred for 30 min at 25°C. After completion of the reaction, the mixture was partitioned between CH₂Cl₂ (500 mL) and water (500 mL) and the organic phase was separated. The agueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (500 mL) and the combined organic extracts were washed with brine (1 L), dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, $17\rightarrow50\%$ ether in hexanes) provided aldehyde **26** as an oil (19.6 g, 92%). $R_f = 0.35$ (silica gel, 20% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -34.1 (*c* 2.8, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) ν_{max} 2954, 2928, 2885, 2856, 1728, 1471, 1279, 1254, 1091, 838, 777, 677 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.73 (dd, J=2.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHO), 6.34 (s, 1H, $CH = CCH_3$, 4.70 (dd, J = 8.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 2.68 $(ddd, J=16.0, 8.3, 2.5 Hz, 1H, (CHO)CH_2), 2.44 (ddd,$ J = 16.0, 4.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, (CHO)C H_2), 1.80 (s, 3H, $CH=CCH_3$), 0.85 (s, 9H, $SiC(CH_3)_3$), 0.05 (s, 3H, ¹³C NMR $Si(CH_3)_2$, 0.01 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$); (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.5, 148.7, 78.9, 72.5, 49.6, 25.7, 19.8, 18.0, -4.9, -5.3; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{12}H_{23}IO_2Si (M + Na^+) 377.0410$, found 377.0402.

Methyl ester 28. A mixture of aldehyde **26** (19.6 g, 55.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and stabilized ylide 27 (50.2 g, 134.0 mmol, 2.4 equiv) [prepared from 4-bromo-1butene by: i. phosphonium salt formation; ii. anion formation with KHMDS; and iii. quenching with MeO-C(O)Cl)]²² in benzene (550 mL, 0.1 M) was heated at reflux for 1.5 h. After cooling to 25°C, the mixture was filtered and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 9→17% ether in hexanes) furnished methyl ester 28 (24.5 g, 98%). $R_f = 0.37$ (silica gel, 20% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ -7.25 (c 1.6, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) ν_{max} 3078, 2952, 2920, 2856, 1720, 1462, 1434, 1276, 1253, 1208, 1084, 836, 776, 672 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 6.81 (dd, J = 7.4, 7.4 Hz, 1H, $CH = CCOOCH_3$), 6.22 (s, 1H, CH=CCH₃), 5.83–5.75 (m, 1H, CH=CH₂), 4.99-4.98 (m, 1H, CH=C H_2), 4.96 (m, 1H, CH=C H_2), 4.22 (dd, J=7.5, 5.1 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.72 (s, 3H, $COOCH_3$), 3.05 (d, J=6.0 Hz, 2H, $CH_2C(CO_2Me)$), 2.40 (ddd, J = 15.0, 7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2CHOSi), 2.33 (ddd, J=15.0, 7.5, 5.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂CHOSi), 1.77 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 0.85 (s, 9H, $SiC(CH_3)_3$), 0.02 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), -0.02 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$); ^{13}C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.6, 149.6, 139.5, 135.2, 131.1, 115.2, 78.1, 76.3, 51.7, 35.6, 31.0, 25.6, 19.6, 18.1, -5.0,-5.2; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{18}H_{31}IO_3Si$ (M+Cs⁺) 583.0142, found 583.0159.

Allylic alcohol 29. Methyl ester 28 (24.5 g, 54.3 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in THF (280 mL, 0.2 M) and the solution was cooled to -78°C. DIBAL (163.0 mL, 1 M in CH₂Cl₂, 163.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv) was added dropwise at -78°C over 50 min, and the reaction mixture was then stirred for a further 80 min. The reaction mixture was quenched with saturated aqueous sodiumpotassium tartrate (150 mL) and the resulting mixture was allowed to warm up to 25°C over 16 h. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous phase was extracted with ether (3×250 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine (650 mL), dried

(MgSO₄) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 17→50% ether in hexanes) furnished alcohol **29** (22.9 g, 100%). $R_f = 0.11$ (silica gel, 20% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22} - 7.25$ (c 1.6, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3346, 3078, 2954, 2928, 2857, 1637, 1471, 1361, 1276, 1252, 1078, 1005, 836, 775, 674, 558 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.16 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.81–5.73 (m, 1H, $CH=CH_2$), 5.45 (dd, J=6.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H, $CH=CCH_2OH$), 5.03 (m, 2H, CH= CH_2), 4.16 (dd, J=6.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 4.02 (d, $J = 4.5 \,\text{Hz}$, 2H, CH_2OH), 2.85 (dd, J = 15.0, 5.1 Hz, 1H, $CH_2CH = CH_2$), 2.84 (dd, J = 15.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_2CH=CH_2$), 2.27 (ddd, J=15.0, 6.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2CHOSi), 2.25 (ddd, J=15.0, 6.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2CHOSi), 1.78 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 0.88 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.02 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂), -0.02 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.9, 138.3, 135.5, 123.3, 115.5, 77.5, 76.6, 66.9, 34.4, 32.5, 25.6, 19.5, 18.0, -5.0, -5.2; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{17}H_{31}IO_2Si$ (M + Cs⁺), 555.0192, found 555.0177.

Triphenylmethyl ether 30. Alcohol 29 (23.5 g, 55.7 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in DMF (300 mL, 0.15 M) and 4-DMAP (11.3 g, 92.5 mmol, 1.7 equiv) and trityl chloride (22.1 g, 79.3 mmol, 1.4 equiv) were added. The reaction mixture was stirred at 80°C for 21 h, cooled to room temperature and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 5→30% ether in hexanes) to afford the required ether **30** as an oil (35.3 g, 95%). $R_f = 0.88$ (silica gel, 20% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22} = -0.74$ (c 0.3, CHCl₃); IR $(thin\ film)\ \nu_{max}\ 3058,\ 29\overline{27},\ 2854,\ 1488,\ 1470,\ 1448,$ 1250, 1082, 836, 702, 632 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45–7.43 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.32–7.21 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.19 (s, 1H, $CH=CCH_3$), 5.61 (m, 2H, $CH=CH_2$ and $CH=CH_2$), 4.87 (m, 2H, $CH=CH_2$ and $CH=(C)CH_2OTr$), 4.19 (dd, J = 6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.46 (s, 2H, CH_2OTr), 2.78 (dd, J = 15.4, 6.7 Hz, 1H, $CH_2CH = CH_2$), 2.73 (dd, J=15.4, 6.3 Hz, 1H, $CH_2CH=CH_2$), 2.33 (ddd, J=14.5, 6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂CHOSi), 2.31 (ddd,J = 14.5, 6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH_2CHOSi), 1.80 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 0.87 (s, 9H, $SiC(CH_3)_3$), 0.04 (s, 3H, ¹³C NMR $Si(CH_3)_2$, 0.00 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$); (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.2, 144.3, 136.1, 135.6, 128.7, 127.7, 126.8, 122.5, 115.2, 86.6, 77.4, 67.0, 34.6, 33.0, 25.8, 19.7, 18.0, -4.9, -5.0; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{36}H_{45}IO_2Si (M + Cs^+) 797.1288$, found 797.1309.

Alcohol 31. Olefin 30 (35.3 g, 53.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in THF (53 mL, 1.0 M) and the solution was cooled to 0°C. Compound 9-BBN (149 mL, 0.5 M in THF, 74.5 mmol, 1.4 equiv) was added dropwise over 1.5 h, and the resulting mixture was stirred for 9 h at 0°C. Aqueous NaOH (106 mL of a 3 N solution, 319.0 mmol, 6.0 equiv) was added, followed by aqueous H₂O₂ (32 mL, 30% w/w in water, 319.0 mmol, 6.0 equiv). Stirring was continued for 1 h at 0°C, after which time the reaction mixture was diluted with ether (500 mL) and water (500 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous phase was extracted with ether (2×500 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine (1 L), dried (MgSO₄) and con-

centrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 9-50% ether in hexanes) furnished alcohol **31** (34.6 g, 95%). $R_f = 0.54$ (silica gel, 60% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22} - 3.5$ (c 0.2, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3380, 3058, 3032, 2926, 2855, 1489, 1449, 1278, 1251, 1078, 835, 706, 632 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47–7.45 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.32–7.22 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.22 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.58 (dd, J=7.1, 7.1 Hz, 1H, C=CHCH₂), 4.22 (dd, J=6.8, 6.0 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.52 (bm, 2H, CH₂OH), 3.50 (s, 2H, CH₂OTr), 2.33 (dd, J = 14.5, 6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH_2 CHOSi), 2.28 (ddd, J=14.5, 6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂CHOSi), 2.14 (m, 2H, CH₂CH₂CH₂OH), 1.82 (s, 3H, CH=CC H_3), 1.46 (m, 2H, C H_2 CH $_2$ OH), 0.90 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.06 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂), 0.02 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.2, 144.2, 137.9, 128.5, 127.8, 126.9, 122.2, 86.6, 77.5, 77.3, 67.1, 62.5, 34.6, 31.2, 25.7, 19.8, 18.2, -4.9, -5.0;HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{36}H_{47}IO_3Si$ (M+Cs⁺) 815.1394, found 815.1430.

Iodide 32. A solution of alcohol **31** (34.6 g, 50.73 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in a mixture of ether (380 mL) and MeCN (127 mL) was cooled to 0°C. Imidazole (17.3 g, 253.7 mmol, 5.0 equiv) and PPh₃ (33.3 g, 126.8 mmol, 2.5 equiv) were then added and the mixture was stirred until all the solids had dissolved. Iodine (33.5 g, 131.9 mol, 2.6 equiv) was added and the mixture was stirred for 45 min at 0°C. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous Na₂S₂O₃ (150 mL) and the layers were separated. The aqueous phase was then extracted with ether $(2 \times 250 \,\mathrm{mL})$ and the combined organic extracts were washed with brine (750 mL), dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 5→9% ether in hexanes) furnished iodide **32** (39.2 g, 97%). $R_f = 0.88$ (silica gel, 60% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ –2.9 (c 2.6, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3057, 2926, 2855, 1481, 1448, 1251, 1083, 939, 836, 774, 706, 632 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49–7.45 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.33– 7.23 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.23 (s, 1H, $CH=CCH_3$), 5.67 (dd, J=7.2, 7.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂C=CH), 4.22 (dd, J=6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.51 (s, 2H, CH₂OTr), 3.07 (dd, J=7.1, 7.0 Hz, 2H, CH₂I), 2.34 (ddd, J=14.5, 6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH_2CHOSi), 2.25 (ddd, J=14.5, 6.8, 6.8 Hz, CH₂CHOSi), 2.13 (m, 2H, CH₂CH₂CH₂I), 1.84 (s, 3H, CH=CC H_3), 1.75 (m, 2H, CH₂C H_2 CH₂I), 0.90 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.07 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂), 0.02 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.1, 144.1, 136.9, 128.6, 127.9, 126.9, 126.3, 86.7, 77.6, 77.2, 67.3, 34.7, 32.1, 25.8, 19.9, 18.2, 6.8, -4.9, -5.0; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{36}H_{46}I_2O_2Si$ (M+Cs⁺) 925.0411, found 925.0450.

Hydrazone 33. The SAMP hydrazone of propionaldehyde²³ (5.6 g, 32.76 mmol, 1.3 equiv) in THF (16 mL), was added to a freshly prepared solution of LDA at 0°C (diisopropylamine (5.0 mL, 35.28 mmol, 1.4 equiv) was added to *n*-BuLi (22.0 mL, 1.6 M in hexanes, 35.28 mmol, 1.4 equiv) in 32 mL of THF at 0°C). After stirring at that temperature for 16 h, the resulting yellow solution was cooled to -100°C, and a solution of iodide **32** (20.0 g, 25.23 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF

(32 mL) was added dropwise over a period of 2 h. The mixture was allowed to warm to -20° C over 20 h, and then poured into saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (50 mL) and extracted with ether $(3 \times 100 \,\mathrm{mL})$. The combined organic extract was dried (MgSO₄), filtered and evaporated. Purification by flash column chromatography on silica gel (5 \rightarrow 50% ether in hexanes) provided hydrazone 33 $(15.0 \,\mathrm{g}, 71\%)$ as a yellow oil. $R_f = 0.63$ (silica gel, 40%) ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ –22.7 (*c* 0.2, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3057, 2927, 2854, 1489, 1448, 1251, 1078, 940, 836, 775, 706, 668, 632 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46–7.44 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.31–7.21 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.40 (d, $J = 6.5 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H, N=CH), 6.21 (s, 1H, $CH = CCH_3$), 5.50 (dd, J = 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_2C = CH$), 4.20 (dd, J = 6.0, 6.0 Hz, 1 H, CHOSi), 3.54 (dd, J = 9.2,3.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂OCH₃), 3.45 (s, 2H, CH₂OTr), 3.41 (dd, $J = 9.5, 7.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, CH_2OCH_3), 3.37 \text{ (s, 3H, CH}_2OCH_3),$ 3.32–3.30 (m, 2H, CH₂N), 2.60–2.55 (m, 1H), 2.34–2.20 (m, 3H), 2.04–1.95 (m, 1H), 1.98–1.73 (m, 5H), 1.82 (s, 3H, CH=CC H_3), 1.38–1.21 (m, 4H), 0.96 (d, J=6.9 Hz, 3H, $CHCH_3$), 0.89 (s, 9H, $SiC(CH_3)_3$), 0.06 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), 0.01 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.2, 144.3, 138.5, 128.6, 127.7, 126.8, 121.3, 86.5, 77.4, 74.7, 67.0, 63.5, 59.2, 50.4, 37.0, 35.5, 34.6, 28.8, 26.5, 25.9, 25.8, 22.1, 19.8, 18.9, 18.2, -4.9, -5.0; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{45}H_{63}IN_2O_3Si$ $(M + Cs^+)$ 967.2707, found 967.2740.

Nitrile 34. Monoperoxyphthalic acid magnesium salt (MMPP•6H₂O, 80%, 52.4 g, 84.8 mmol, 2.5 equiv) was added portionwise over 10 min to a rapidly stirred solution of hydrazone 33 (28.3 g, 33.9 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in a mixture of MeOH (283 mL), THF (100 mL) and pH 7 phosphate buffer (283 mL) at 0°C. The mixture was stirred at 0°C for 1.5h and then more THF (120 mL) was added in two portions over 30 min to help dissolve the starting material. After stirring for a further 1.5 h the reaction mixture was poured into a saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO₃ (750 mL) and the product was extracted with ether (750 mL) and then EtOAc $(2\times750\,\mathrm{mL})$. The combined organic extracts were washed with brine (1 L), dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, $9\rightarrow20\%$ ether in hexanes) furnished nitrile 34 as a colorless oil (21.8 g, 89%). $R_f = 0.44$ (silica gel, 20% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22} + 2.9$ (c 1.2, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3057, 2928, 2855, 2238, 1490, 1448, 1252, 1081, 836, 775, 707, 632 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.47–7.45 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.33– 7.23 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.22 (s, 1H, CH=CCH₃), 5.56 (dd, J=6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂C=CH), 4.21 (dd, J=6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.49 (s, 2H, CH₂OTr), 2.48 (m, 1H, $CH(CH_3)$), 2.29 (ddd, J=14.5, 6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH_2CHOSi), 2.24 (ddd, J=14.5, 6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH_2CHOSi), 2.07 (m, 2H, $CH_2(C)CH_2OTr$)), 1.82 (s, 3H, CH=CC H_3), 1.58–1.23 (m, 4H), 1.24 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, CHCH₃), 0.90 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.07 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂), 0.0 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.0, 144.1, 137.6, 128.6, 127.8, 126.9, 122.7, 122.5, 86.5, 77.4, 76.7, 34.6, 33.7, 31.5, 27.8, 25.7, 25.5, 25.2, 22.6, 19.7, 18.1, 17.8, 14.1, -4.9, -5.0; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{39}H_{50}INO_2Si$ (M+Cs⁺) 852.1710, found 852.1738.

Aldehyde 35. Nitrile **34** (7.01 g, 9.74 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in toluene (195 mL, 0.05 M) and cooled to -78°C. DIBAL (29.2 mL, 1.0 M in toluene, 29.2 mmol, 3.0 equiv) was added dropwise at -78° C over 10 min. The reaction mixture was stirred at -78° C until completion was verified by TLC (1 h). Methanol (10 mL) and HCl (10 mL, 1.0 N in water) were added sequentially and the resulting mixture was brought up to 0°C over 1 h. Ether (250 mL) and water (250 mL) were added and the layers were separated. The aqueous phase was extracted with ether (2×250 mL) and the combined organic extracts were washed with brine (500 mL), dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 17→33% ether in hexanes) afforded aldehyde 35 as an oil (6.18 g, 88%). $R_f = 0.51$ (silica gel, 20% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +2.0 (c 0.3, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3057, 2927, 2855, 1726, 1490, 1448, 1251, 1081, 836, 775, 707, $632 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.51 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H, CHO), 7.46–7.45 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.32–7.22 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.20 (s, 1H, $CH=CCH_3$), 5.54 (dd, J=7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂C=CH), 4.20 (dd, J=6.5, 6.0 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.47 (s, 2H, CH₂OTr), 2.34–2.20 (m, 3H, CH_2CHOSi and $CH(\overline{CH_3})$, 2.04 (m, 2H, $CH_2(C)CH_2OTr$, 1.82 (s, 3H, $CH=CCH_3$), 1.66 (m, 1H), 1.30–1.19 (m, 3H), 1.02 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CHC H_3), 0.89 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.06 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂), 0.00 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 205.0, 150.1, 144.2, 138.0, 128.6, 127.8, 126.9, 122.1, 86.6, 77.5, 67.1, 46.1, 34.6, 30.3, 28.6, 25.8, 25.6, 19.8, 18.2, 13.2, -4.9, -5.0; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{39}H_{51}IO_3Si$ $(M + Cs^+)$ 855.1707, found 855.1672.

tris-(Silylethers) 37 and 38. A solution of ketone 36^{6e} (1.20 g, 2.99 mmol, 1.4 equiv) in THF (4.3 mL) was added dropwise over 5 min to a freshly prepared solution of LDA (diisopropylamine (424 µL, 3.03 mmol, 1.45 equiv) was added to n-BuLi (2.00 mL, 1.52 M in hexanes, 3.04 mmol, 1.45 equiv) at 0°C, and after 5 min THF (4.3 mL) was added at -78° C. After stirring for 1.5 h at -78° C, the solution was allowed to warm up to -40°C over a period of 30 min. The reaction mixture was then cooled to -78°C, and a solution of aldehyde 35 (1.51 g, 2.09 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (12.5 mL) was added dropwise over 15 min. The resulting mixture was stirred for 1 h at -78° C, and then quenched by dropwise addition of AcOH (3.1 mL of a 1 M solution in THF, 3.10 mmol, 1.5 equiv). The mixture was then warmed to 25°C and partitioned between ether (25 mL) and saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (25 mL). The aqueous phase was extracted with ether (3×25 mL) and the combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, $4\rightarrow 20\%$ ether in hexanes) provided unreacted ketone (502 mg, 42%), undesired aldol product 38 (705 mg, 27%) and a mixture of desired ald product 37 and unreacted aldehyde 35 (1.136 g, (ca. 9:1 ratio of 37:35 by ¹H NMR)) (i.e. 39% yield of 37). This mixture was used directly in the next step. 37: (major) (obtained as a colorless oil from a mixture containing 35, by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 10 \rightarrow 17\% EtOAc in hexanes)). $R_f = 0.22$ (silica gel, 10% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ -20.0 (c 0.3, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3486,

2954, 2928, 2856, 1682, 1472, 1448, 1253, 1090, 994, 836, 775, 706, 668, 632 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.45–7.43 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.30–7.19 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.19 (s, 1H, CH=CCH₃), 5.51 (dd, J=7.0, 6.9 Hz, 1H, C=CHCH₂), 4.18 (dd, J=6.3, 6.2 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.88 (dd, J=7.5, 2.6 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.65 (m, 1H, CH_2OSi), 3.59 (m, 1H, CH_2OSi), 3.46 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H, CH₂OTr), 3.43 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H, CH₂OTr), 3.27 (m, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 3.22 (d, J=9.3 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 2.32-2.18 (m, 2H, C=CHCH2CHOSi), 2.00 (m, 2H, $CH_2(C)CH_2OTr$), 1.80 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 1.66 (m, 2H), 1.46 (m, 2H), 1.27 (m, 1H, CH(CH₃), 1.19 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.07 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.99 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)), 0.89 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.87 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.86 (s, 9H, SiC(CH₃)₃), 0.71 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)), 0.10 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂), 0.07 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), 0.04 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), 0.03 (s, 6H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), -0.01 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$); ^{13}C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 222.1, 150.1, 144.1, 138.6, 128.5, 127.6, 126.7, 121.1, 86.4, 77.4, 74.8, 74.1, 67.1, 60.4, 54.0, 41.2, 37.9, 35.4, 34.7, 33.0, 29.2, 26.2, 26.0, 25.9, 25.7, 23.0, 20.6, 19.8, 18.4, 18.3, 18.2, 15.4, 9.6, -3.5,-3.9, -4.7, -4.8, -5.1; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{60}H_{97}IO_6Si_3$ (M+Cs⁺) 1257.4692, found 1257.4639. **38**: (minor) colorless oil; $R_f = 0.38$ (silica gel, 20% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{\rm p}^{22}$ -11.9 (c 2.9, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) $v_{\rm max}$ 3501, 2954, 2930, 2856, 1682, 1469, 1254, 1088, 836, 776, 705, 670 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46–7.44 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.31–7.21 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.21 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.52 (dd, J=7.0, 6.9 Hz, 1H, $C=CHCH_2$), 4.20 (dd, J=6.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.88 (dd, J=7.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.67 (m, 1H, CH₂OSi), 3.60 (m, 1H, CH₂OSi), 3.46 (s, 2H, CH₂OTr), 3.30–3.21 (m, 2H, CHOH, CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.30–2.25 (m, 2H, C=CHC H_2 CHOSi), 2.05–1.93 (m, 2H, $CH_2C(CH_2OTr)=CH)$, 1.81 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 1.63 (m, 1H, CH(CH₃)), 1.45 (m, 2H), 1.24 (m, 2H), 1.19 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.05 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.01 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 0.89 (s, 9H, $SiC(CH_3)_3$), 0.88 (obscured d, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 0.88 (s, 18H, $SiC(CH_3)_3$), 0.11 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$, 0.07 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), 0.06 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), 0.04 (s, 6H, Si(CH₃)₂), 0.01 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 221.8, 150.1, 144.2, 138.6, 128.7, 127.8, 126.9, 121.6, 86.5, 77.4, 77.3, 75.0, 74.0, 67.1, 60.5, 53.9, 53.4, 41.6, 37.8, 35.4, 34.7, 32.9, 29.0, 26.1, 25.9, 25.7, 23.2, 20.2, 19.8, 18.3, 18.2, 18.1, 15.4, 10.5, -3.7, -4.1, -4.9, -5.0, -5.3; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{60}H_{97}IO_6Si_3$ (M + Cs⁺) 1257.4692, found 1257.4749.

tetra-(Silylether) 39. Alcohol 37 (1.136 g of a 9:1 mixture with aldehyde 35, 0.933 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (5.0 mL), cooled to $-20^{\circ}C$ and treated with 2,6-lutidine (470 μ L, 4.04 mmol, 4.3 equiv) and tert-butyldimethylsilyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (695 μ L, 3.03 mmol, 3.2 equiv). The mixture was then stirred for 2.5 h with slow warming to 0°C. The reaction was then quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (25 mL) and the aqueous phase was extracted with ether (3×25 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine (250 mL), dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 4 \rightarrow 9% ether in hexanes) furnished tetra-(silylether) 39 as a colorless oil (1.04 g, 90%). R_f =0.91 (silica gel,

20% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -16.8 (c 0.7, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3058, 2951, 2856, 1693, 1471, 1253, 1079, 1004, 836, 706 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.46–7.43 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.29–7.19 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.19 (s, 1H, $CH=CCH_3$), 5.49 (dd, J=7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $C=CHCH_2$), 4.18 (dd, J=6.3, 6.1 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.85 (dd, J = 7.6, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.70 (dd, J = 6.7, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.67 (ddd, J = 9.6, 4.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H, CH_2OSi), 3.59 (ddd, J = 9.7, 7.9. 7.9 Hz, 1H, CH_2OSi), 3.45 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H, CH₂OTr), 3.42 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H, CH₂OTr), 3.08 (qd, J=6.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.27 (ddd, J=14.4, 7.2, 7.2 Hz, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHOSi), 2.23 (ddd, J= 14.5, 6.2, 6.2 Hz, 1H, $C=CHCH_2CHOSi$), 1.97 (m, 2H, $CH_2C(CH_2OTr)=CH$), 1.79 (s, 3H, CH=C(C H_3)), 1.57 (m, 1H), 1.46 (m, 1H), 1.25 (m, 3H), 1.17 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.01 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)), 0.95 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 0.87 (s, 18H, $SiC(CH_3)_3$, 0.86 (s, 18H, $SiC(CH_3)_3$), 0.09–0.03 (m, 24H, Si(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 218.2, 150.2, 144.3, 138.7, 128.6, 127.7, 126.8, 121.5, 86.5, 77.5, 77.4, 77.3, 74.0, 67.1, 60.9, 53.6, 45.1, 38.7, 38.0, 34.6, 31.0, 29.3, 26.5, 26.2, 26.1, 25.9, 25.8, 24.4, 19.7, 19.5, 18.5, 18.3, 18.2, 18.1, 17.5, 15.1, -3.6, -3.7, -3.8, -4.0,-4.9, -5.0, -5.2, -5.3; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{66}H_{111}IO_6Si_4 (M + Cs^+)$ 1371.5557, found 1371.5523.

Alcohol 40. To a solution of tetra-silyl ether 39 (180 mg, 0.145 mmol) in THF (1.5 mL) at 0°C was added HF pyr. in pyr./THF mixture (prepared from a stock solution containing 420 µL HF•pyr., 1.14 mL pyr. and 2.00 mL THF) (1.5 mL) and the resulting solution was stirred for 2h at 0°C. More HF•pyr. in the pyr./ THF mixture (0.5 mL) was then added and stirring was continued for additional 1 h at 0°C. The reaction was quenched by careful addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ and the product was extracted with EtOAc $(3\times25\,\mathrm{mL})$. The combined organic extracts were then dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel 30% ether in hexanes) furnished alcohol 40 as a pale yellow oil (137 mg, 84%). $R_f = 0.36$ (silica gel, 40% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{22}$ -26.0 (c 0.3, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) $v_{\rm max}$ 3422, 2928, 2855, 1690, 1490, 1471, 1448, 1360, 1252, 1086, 1004, 986, 836, 774, 706 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44–7.42 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.29–7.20 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.19 (s, 1H, $CH = CCH_3$), 5.49 (dd, J = 7.1, 7.1 Hz, 1H, C=CHCH₂), 4.17 (dd, J=6.2, 6.0 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 4.03 (dd, J = 6.6, 3.7 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.73 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.65 m, 2H, CH₂OH),3.45 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H, CH₂OTr), 3.42 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, CH_2OTr), 3.06 (qd, J=6.9, 6.9 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.28 (ddd, J=14.7, 7.3, 7.3 Hz, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHOSi), 2.22 (ddd, J = 14.7, 6.3, 6.3 Hz, 1H, $C=CHCH_2CHOSi$), 1.98 (m, 2H, $CH_2C(CH_2OTr)=CH$), 1.79 (s, 3H, CH= $C(CH_3)$), 1.56 (m, 2H), 1.24 (m, 3H), 1.18 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.03 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 0.97 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.87 (3 singlets, 27H, $SiC(CH_3)_3$, 0.81 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 0.10 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), 0.04 (s, 9H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), 0.03 (s, 3H, ¹³C NMR $Si(CH_3)_2$, 0.00 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$); (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 219.2, 150.0, 144.1, 138.5, 128.5, 127.6, 126.7, 121.4, 86.4, 77.5, 77.4, 77.3, 73.1, 67.2, 60.2, 53.7, 45.2, 38.6, 38.4, 34.7, 30.9, 29.4, 26.6, 26.3, 26.1, 25.8, 25.0, 19.8, 18.6, 18.4, 17.9, 17.8, 15.7, -3.4, -3.6, -3.7, -3.8, -4.7, -4.8; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{60}H_{97}IO_6Si_3$ (M + Cs⁺) 1257.4692, found 1257.4780.

Aldehyde 41. To a solution of oxalyl chloride (150 µL, 1.72 mmol, 2.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) at 78°C was added dropwise DMSO (247 µL, 3.48 mmol, 4.0 equiv). After stirring for $10 \,\mathrm{min}$ at $-78^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$, a solution of alcohol **40** (960 mg, 0.853 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was added dropwise. The resulting solution was stirred at -78° C for 1 h, and then Et₃N (714 μ L, 5.12 mmol, 6.0 equiv) was added and the reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to 25°C over 30 min. Water (30 mL) was added, and the product was extracted with ether (3×40 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and then concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, $17\rightarrow50\%$ ether in hexanes) furnished aldehyde **41** as a colorless oil (943 mg, 98%). $R_f = 0.74$ (silica gel, 40%) ether in hexanes); $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{22}$ -10.8 (c 0.1, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 2928, 2855, 1728, 1690, 1471, 1448, 1260, 1252, 1085, 987, 836, 774, 706 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR $(600 \text{ MHz}, \text{ CDCl}_3) \delta 9.74 \text{ (dd, } J=2.4, 1.5 \text{ Hz}, 1 \text{H},$ CHO), 7.44–7.42 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.29–7.20 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.19 (s, 1H, $CH=CCH_3$), 5.49 (dd, J=7.0, 6.8 Hz, 1H, $C=CHCH_2$), 4.44 (dd, J=6.3, 5.0 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 4.18 (dd, J=6.9, 6.4 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.70 (dd, J=7.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.45 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂OTr), 3.42 (d, J=11.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂OTr), 3.05 (qd, J=7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.49 (ddd, J=17.0, 4.5, 1.4 Hz, CH_2CHO), 2.38 (ddd, J = 17.0, 5.4, 2.8 Hz, 1H, CH_2CHO), 2.27 (ddd, J=14.0, 7.1, 7.1 Hz, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHOSi), 2.23 (ddd, J=14.5, 6.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H, $C=CHCH_2CHOSi$), 1.98 (m, 2H, $CH_2C(CH_2OTr)=CH$), 1.79 (s, 3H, CH= $C(CH_3)$), 1.27 (m, 4H), 1.19 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$, 1.12 (m, 1H), 1.00 (d, J=6.8 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 0.98 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.87 (s, 27H, $Si(CH_3)_3$, 0.80 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 0.07 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂), 0.04 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂), 0.03 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$, 0.03 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), 0.02 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), $0.00 \text{ (s, 3H, Si(CH_3)_2); }^{13}\text{C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl}_3) \delta$ 218.4, 201.1, 150.2, 144.25, 138.6, 128.6, 127.7, 126.8, 121.5, 86.5, 77.5, 77.4, 77.3, 71.3, 67.1, 53.4, 49.5, 45.1, 38.6, 34.6, 30.8, 29.2, 26.2, 25.9, 25.7, 24.0, 19.7, 18.8, 18.4, 18.1, 18.0, 17.7, 15.4, -3.6, -3.7, -4.1, -4.4,-4.9, -5.0; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{60}H_{95}IO_6Si_3$ $(M + Cs^+)$ 1255.4536, found 1255.4561.

Carboxylic acid 42. To a solution of aldehyde 41 (943 mg, 0.839 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in t-BuOH (38.5 mL) and H₂O (8.4 mL) was added 2-methyl-2-butene (31.5 mL, 2 M in THF, 63.0 mmol, 75 equiv), NaH₂PO₄ (250 mg, 2.08 mmol, 2.5 equiv) followed by NaClO₂ (380 mg, 4.20 mmol, 5.0 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred at 25°C for 40 min. The volatiles were then removed under reduced pressure and the residue was partitioned between EtOAc (40 mL) and brine (40 mL) and the layers separated. The aqueous phase was then extracted with EtOAc (3×40 mL), and the combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and then concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 60% ether in hexanes) furnished carboxylic acid 42 as an oil (956 mg, 100%). R_f =0.47

(silica gel, 40% ether in hexanes); $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{22}$ -19.6 (c 0.2, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3389, 2930, 2856, 1711, 1469, 1254, 1085, 988, 835, 775, 705 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44–7.43 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.29–7.20 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.19 (s, 1H, $CH=CCH_3$), 5.49 (dd, J=7.3, 7.1 Hz, 1H, C=CHCH₂), 4.34 (dd, J=6.4, 3.3 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 4.18 (dd, J = 6.2, 6.2 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.72 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.7 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.45 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂OTr), 3.41 (d, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂OTr), 3.07 (qd, J=7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.46 (dd, J=16.3, 3.1 Hz, 1H, CH_2CO_2H), 2.32–2.18 (m, 3H, CH_2CO_2H and $C = CHCH_2CHOSi)$, 1.97 (m, 2H, $CH_2C(CH_2OTr)=CH)$, 1.80 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 1.31–1.19 (m, 5H), 1.19 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.02 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)), 0.99 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 0.87 (s, 27H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.80 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH(C H_3)), 0.07, (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂), 0.04 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂), 0.04 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$, 0.03 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), 0.02 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$, 0.00 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$); ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 218.2, 176.7, 150.2, 144.2, 138.6, 128.6, 127.7, 126.8, 121.5, 86.5, 77.6, 77.4, 77.3, 73.5, 67.1, 53.4, 45.2, 40.0, 38.5, 34.6, 30.8, 29.3, 26.2, 26.0, 25.8, 23.7, 19.7, 19.1, 18.5, 18.1, 17.7, 15.6, -3.6, -3.7,-4.3, -4.6, -4.9, -5.0; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{60}H_{95}IO_7Si_3$ (M + Cs⁺) 1271.4485, found 1271.4550.

Hydroxy acid 43. A solution of carboxylic acid 42 (956 mg, 0.839 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (17 mL) at 0°C was treated with TBAF (5.0 mL, 1.0 M in THF, 5.00 mmol, 6.0 equiv) and the mixture was allowed to warm to 25°C over 19 h. The reaction was then quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (40 mL) and the product was extracted with EtOAc (3×40 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 5% MeOH in CH₂Cl₂) furnished hydroxy acid 43 as a yellow oil (817 mg, 95%). R_f =0.27 (silica gel, 5% MeOH in CH₂Cl₂); [α]_D²² -11.4 (c 0.2, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) ν _{max} 3364, 3057, 2938, 2856, 1712, 1694, 1469, 1254, 1086, 1053, 988, 836, 776, 734, 705 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43–7.42 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.30–7.21 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.32 (s, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 5.46 (dd, J=7.2, 7.2 Hz, 1H, C=CHCH₂), 4.35 (dd, J=6.3, 3.2 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 4.21 (dd, J = 6.4, 6.3 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.73 (dd, J = 7.3, 1.2 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.52 (d, J = 12.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂OTr), 3.48 (d, J = 12.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂OTr), 3.06 (m, 2H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$ and OH), 2.45 (dd, J=16.4, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2CO_2H), 2.35 (m, 2H, C=CHC H_2 CHOH), 2.29 (dd, J = 16.4, 6.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2CO_2H), 2.07–1.94 (m, 2H, $CH_2C(CH_2OTr)=CH)$, 1.85 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 1.71 (m, 1H), 1.39 (m, 1H, CH(CH₃)), 1.27 (m, 3H), 1.18 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.02 (obscured d, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 1.02 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$, 0.87 (s, 18H, $Si(CH_3)_3$), 0.81 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)), 0.09 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂), 0.07 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), 0.04 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), 0.02 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$); ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 218.1, 176.5, 149.1, 144.2, 140.7, 128.6, 127.7, 126.9, 120.3, 86.7, 78.5, 77.5, 76.1, 73.4, 67.1, 53.5, 53.0, 45.1, 40.0, 38.6, 33.4, 30.9, 29.2, 26.5, 26.2, 26.0, 25.6, 25.3, 23.7, 20.1, 19.9, 19.0, 18.5, 18.2, 17.6, 15.8, 13.5, -3.6, -3.7,-4.3, -4.6; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{54}H_{81}IO_7Si_2$ $(M + Cs^+)$ 1157.3620, found 1157.3669.

Macrolactone 44. To a solution of hydroxy acid 43 (1.06 g, 1.04 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (15 mL, 0.07 M) was added Et₃N (870 µL, 6.24 mmol, 6.0 equiv) and 2,4,6-trichlorobenzoyl chloride (390 µL, 2.50 mmol, 2.4 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred at 0°C for 1.5 h, and then added slowly over a period of 2 h via a syringe pump to a solution of 4-DMAP (280 mg, 2.29 mmol, 2.2 equiv) in toluene (208 mL, 0.005 M based on 43) at 75°C. The mixture was stirred at that temperature for an additional 0.5h and was then concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting residue was filtered through a plug of silica gel eluting with 50% ether in hexanes. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 17% ether in hexanes) furnished macrolactone 44 as a colorless foam (877 mg, 84%). $R_f = 0.19$ (10% ether in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -7.4 (c 0.2, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 2929, 2855, 1742, 1695, 1468, 1381, 1253, 1156, 1065, 985, 834, 774, 733, 706 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44–7.42 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.29–7.20 (m, 10H, Ph), 6.39 (s, 1H, CH=CCH₃), 5.51 (dd, J=9.5, 6.8 Hz, 1H, C=CHCH₂), 5.07 (d, J=9.3 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.02 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.82 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H,CHOSi), 3.46 (d, $J = 11.5 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H, CH₂OTr), 3.42 (d, J = 11.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂OTr), 2.95 (dq, J = 8.7, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.72 (m, 2H, C= $CHCH_2CHO$ and CH_2COO), 2.54 (dd, J=16.2, 9.7 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.29 (m, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.12 (dd, J=14.3, 1H, 5.1 Hz, $CH_2C(CH_2OTr)=CH),$ 1.98 $CH_2C(CH_2OTr)=CH)$, 1.88 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 1.44-1.23 (m, 5H), 1.18 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.10 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.07 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 0.92 (s, 9H, Si(CH₃)₃), 0.82 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)), 0.72 (s, 9H, $Si(CH_3)_3$), 0.08 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), 0.05 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$, 0.05 (s, 3H, $Si(CH_3)_2$), -0.32 (s, 3H, Si(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 216.0, 171.7, 147.0, 145.0, 142.9, 129.5, 128.6, 127.8, 120.2, 87.3, 81.0, 78.8, 76.6, 67.5, 54.2, 48.8, 41.0, 40.1, 38.4, 33.6, 32.4, 32.2, 29.6, 28.0, 27.2, 26.9, 25.3, 23.5, 21.2, 19.5, 19.3, 18.6, 15.0, -2.5, -2.8, -3.0, -4.8; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{54}H_{79}IO_6Si_2$ (M+Cs⁺) 1139.3514, found 1139.3459.

Triol 24. To a solution of macrolactone 44 (608 mg, 0.604 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (45 mL) at 0°C was added HF•pyr. (15 mL). The resulting mixture was allowed to warm up to 25°C over 15h and was then cooled to 0°C and quenched by careful addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (50 mL). The product was then extracted with EtOAc (3×50 mL), and the combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and then concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 60% EtOAc in hexanes) furnished triol 24 as a colorless foam (280 mg, 86%). $R_f = 0.32$ (silica gel, 60% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22} - 32.1$ (c 0.2, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3413, 2923, 2857, 1731, 1686, 1461, 1379, 1259, 1148, 1046, 737 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.43 (s, 1H, CH=CCH₃), 5.38 (dd, J=9.7, 5.4 Hz, 1H, C=CHCH₂), 5.29 (dd, $J = 8.8, 1.9 \,\mathrm{Hz}, 1H, CHOCO), 4.08 \,\mathrm{(m, 1H, CHOH)},$ 4.06 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2OH), 4.00 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2OH), 3.69 (dd, J=3.5. 3.4 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.12 (qd, J = 6.9, 3.1 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.76 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.67 (ddd, J=15.0, 9.7, 9.7 Hz, 1H,

C=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.45 (dd, J=15.4, 10.6 Hz, 1H, CH $_2$ COO), 2.38 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.33 (dd, J=15.4, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH $_2$ COO), 2.21 (m, 2H, C H_2 C(CH $_2$ OH)=CH), 2.06 (m, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHO), 1.87 (s, 3H, CH=C(C H_3)), 1.71 (m, 1H), 1.66 (m, 1H), 1.32 (s, 3H, C(CH $_3$) $_2$), 1.29–1.24 (m, 3H), 1.17 (d, J=6.9 Hz, 3H, CH(C H_3)), 1.08 (s, 3H, C(CH $_3$) $_2$), 0.99 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, CH(C H_3)); 13C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl $_3$) δ 220.1, 170.0, 145.3, 142.4, 120.7, 80.5, 77.6, 74.0, 72.9, 66.1, 53.0, 42.2, 39.3, 38.0, 31.8, 31.6, 28.0, 25.7, 22.5, 20.7, 19.2, 16.0, 13.6; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C $_2$ 3H $_3$ 7IO $_6$ (M+Cs $^+$) 669.0689, found 669.0711.

Macrolactone 45. A solution of vinyl iodide 24 (55 mg, 0.103 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8j** (84 mg, 0.207 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (4 mg, 0.015 mmol, 0.15 equiv) in degassed DMF (1 mL, 0.1 M) was stirred at 25°C for 33 h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18d, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plates, 80% EtOAc in hexanes), starting vinyl iodide **24** (21 mg, 39%) and macrolactone **45** (30 mg, 56%). $R_f = 0.48$ (silica gel, 80% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{\rm p}^{22} - 48.3$ (c 0.2, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3372, 2924, 2860, 1731, 1682, 1454, 1384, 1252, 1148, 1040, 979, 735 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.21 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.61 (s, 1H, $CH=CCH_3$), 5.58 (d, J=47.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2F), 5.45 (dd, J=9.8, 5.3 Hz, 1H, C=CHCH₂), 5.26 (dd, J = 9.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.23 (dd, J = 10.9, 2.4 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 4.08 (d, J = 13.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂OH), 4.01 (d, J = 13.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂OH), 3.70 (dd, J = 4.2, 2.7 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.16 (qd, J = 6.8, 2.6 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.94 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.69 (ddd, J = 15.2, 9.6, 9.6 Hz, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.46 (dd, J=14.8, 10.9 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.36–2.24 (m, 2H, $CH_2C(CH_2OH)=CH$), 2.30 (dd, J = 14.8, 2.6 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.09 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 2.07 (m, 1H, $C=CHCH_2CHO$), 1.77– 1.58 (m, 5H), 1.33 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.17 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, CH(C H_3)), 1.06 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.00 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, CH(C H_3)); ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.1, 170.1, 152.6, 141.9, 139.4, 121.4, 118.8, 117.7, 86.8, 81.0, 79.8, 78.7, 73.9, 72.4, 66.3, 53.4, 41.9, 39.6, 38.0, 32.0, 31.8, 28.1, 22.7, 18.4, 16.1, 15.8, 13.5; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{22}H_{40}FNO_6S$ (M+Cs⁺) 658.1615, found 658.1644.

Macrolactone 46. A solution of vinyl iodide **24** (32 mg, 0.060 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8p** (28 mg, 0.101 mmol, 1.7 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (1.7 mg, 0.07 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed DMF (650 µL, 0.1 M) was stirred at 25°C for 20 h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18d, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plates, 80% EtOAc in hexanes), starting vinyl iodide **24** (6 mg, 19%) and macrolactone **46** (17 mg, 54%). $R_f = 0.37$ (silica gel, 80% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22} - 48.7$ (c 0.15, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3402, 2931, 2874, 1731, 1686, 1533, 1458, 1420, 1383, 1242, 1150, 1048, 1007, 979 cm⁻¹; 1 H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.50 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.36 (s, 1H, CH=CCH₃), 5.45 (dd, J=10.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H, $C=CHCH_2$), 5.23 (dd, J=9.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.24 (bd, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 4.11–3.68 (m, 1H, CH_2OH), 4.07 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 4.01 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂OH), 3.71 (dd, J = 4.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.30 (bs, 1H, OH), 3.16 (qd, J = 7.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.00 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.68 (ddd, J = 15.0, 10.0, 9.5 Hz, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.46 (dd, J = 15.0, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.30–2.20 (m, 2H, $CH_2C(CH_2OH)=CH)$, 2.29 (dd, J=15.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.11-2.04 (m, 1H, C=CHCH₂CHO), 2.11 (s, 3H, CH= $C(CH_3)$), 1.83–1.61 (m, 4H), 1.41–1.25 (m, 1H), 1.33 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.18 (d, $J = 7.0 \,Hz$, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 1.07 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.01 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.4, 174.1, 170.3, 146.4, 141.9, 138.0, 121.8, 119.5, 109.2, 79.0, 73.8, 72.4, 66.2, 58.5, 53.5, 41.7, 39.6, 37.8, 32.0, 31.6, 28.0, 25.4, 22.8, 18.1, 15.9, 15.4, 13.2; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{27}H_{41}NO_7S$ (M+Cs⁺) 656.1658, found 656.1675.

Macrolactone 47. A solution of vinyl iodide 24 (41 mg, 0.076 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8r** (61 mg, 0.151 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (4 mg, 0.015 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in degassed DMF (760 µL, 0.1 M) was stirred at 25°C for 21h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18d, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plates, 80% EtOAc in hexanes), starting vinyl iodide 24 (6 mg, 15%) and macrolactone 47 (20.5 mg, 51%). $R_f = 0.41$ (silica gel, 80% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{D}^{22} - 86.0$ (c 0.25, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) ν_{max} 3387, 2968, 2936, 2874, 1733, 1685, 1458, 1381, 1253, 1149, 1050, 1003, 912 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.97 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.63 (s, 1H, CH=CCH₃), 5.43 (dd, J=9.0, 5.5 Hz, 1H, C=CHCH₂), 5.25 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.32 (ddd, J = 11.0, 5.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 4.12–4.07 (m, 2H, CH₂OH and OH), 4.02 (d, $J = 11.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H, CH_2OH), 3.69 (dd, J=2.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.16 (qd, J=7.0, 2.5 Hz,1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 3.08 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.98 (q, $J = 7.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 2H, CH_2CH_3), 2.61 (ddd, J = 15.0, 9.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.46 (dd, J=14.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.38 (dd, J = 15.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_2C(CH_2OH)=CH)$, 2.31–2.25 (m, 1H, $CH_2C(CH_2)$ OH)=CH), 2.23 (dd, J = 14.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.17-2.07 (m, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.04 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 1.97 (bs, 1H, OH), 1.78–1.61 (m, 3H), 1.38–1.23 (m, 2H), 1.37 (q, $J=7.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 3H, $\mathrm{CH_2C}H_3$), 1.35 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.18 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 1.05 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.01 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, CH(C H_3)); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.7, 172.0, 170.3, 151.7, 141.8, 138.7, 121.8, 119.2, 114.9, 78.1, 73.9, 71.8, 66.2, 53.8, 41.5, 39.6, 38.0, 31.8, 31.6, 27.8, 26.7, 25.2, 22.9, 17.4, 16.1, 15.7, 14.0, 13.2; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{28}H_{43}NO_6S$ (M+Na⁺) 544.2709, found 544.2724.

Macrolactone 48. A solution of vinyl iodide **24** (26 mg, 0.048 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8h** (29 mg, 0.072 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (1.5 mg, 0.006 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed DMF (480 μ L, 0.1 M) was stirred at 25°C for 15 h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone **18d**, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 μ m silica gel plates, EtOAc), starting vinyl iodide **24** (10.5 mg, 40%) and macrolactone **48** (10.5 mg, 41%). R_f =0.27

(silica gel, EtOAc); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -43.0 (c 0.14, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3388, 2924, 2851, 1732, 1682, 1462, 1384, 1251, 1185, 1150, 1067 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.13 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.63 (s, 1H, CH=CCH₃), 5.45 (dd, J=9.0, 6.0 Hz, 1H, C=CHCH₂), 5.27 (bd, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.29 (dd, J = 11.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 4.09 (d, $J = 13.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H, CH_2OH), 4.00 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, 1H, C H_2 OH), 3.68 (dd, J = 4.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.15 (qd, J = 6.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.99 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.65 (ddd, J = 15.0, 9.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.46 (dd, J=14.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.39–2.33 (m, 1H, $CH_2C(CH_2OH)=CH$), 2.26 (dd, J = 14.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.26–2.20 (m, $CH_2C(CH_2OH)=CH)$, (m, 2.14 - 2.10 $C=CHCH_2CHO)$, 2.07 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 1.99–1.61 (m, 4H), 1.42–1.24 (m, 2H), 1.33 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.16 (d, $J = 7.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 3H, CH(CH₃)), 1.04 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.00 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.5, 170.3, 170.2, 152.1, 141.9, 139.0, 121.5, 118.9, 116.4, 78.4, 73.9, 72.0, 66.2, 61.9, 53.6, 41.7, 39.6, 37.9, 31.8, 31.6, 29.7, 28.1, 25.4, 22.9, 17.7, 15.8, 13.2; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{27}H_{41}NO_7S$ $(M + Cs^+)$ 656.1658, found 656.1677.

Macrolactone 49. A solution of vinyl iodide **24** (37 mg, 0.069 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8q** (47 mg, 0.117 mmol, 1.7 equiv) and $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ (10 mg, 0.009 mmol, 0.13 equiv) in degassed toluene (780 µL, 0.1 M) was heated at 100°C for 2h according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18h, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plates, 80% EtOAc in hexanes), macrolactone **49** (5.5 mg, 15%). $R_f = 0.35$ (silica gel, 80%) EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{22}$ –48.1 (c 0.27, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3403, 2930, 2873, 1732, 1686, 1462, 1381, 1291, 1266, 1250, 1149, 1004, 980, 937 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.04 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.85 (dd, J = 17.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CH_2$), 6.61 (s, 1H, $CH=CCH_3$), 6.05 (d, J=17.5 Hz, 1H, $CH=CH_2$), 5.56 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CH_2$), 5.45 (dd, J = 10.0, 5.5 Hz, 1H, C=CHCH₂), 5.26 (dd, J=9.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.29 (ddd, J = 11.0, 6.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 4.09 (dd, J=13.0, 6.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2OH), 4.02 (dd, J=13.0, 6.0 Hz, 1H, C H_2 OH), 3.71 (ddd, J=4.5, 2.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.54 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.17(qd, J=7.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.02 (d, $J = 2.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 1H, OH), 2.68 (ddd, J = 15.0, 10.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.45 (dd, J=14.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H, 3H, CH_2COO), 2.37–2.31 (m, 1H, $CH_2C(CH_2OH)=CH$), 2.30-2.24 (m, 1H, $CH_2C(CH_2OH)=CH$), 2.28 (dd, J=15.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.14–2.07 (m, 1H, $C=CHCH_2CHO)$, 2.09 (d, J=1.0 Hz, 1H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 1.79-1.60 (m, 4H), 1.39-1.25 (m, 2H), 1.35 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$, 1.18 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 1.07 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.02 (d, $J = 7.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 3H, CH(CH₃)); ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 221.4, 171.2, 166.9, 153.6, 142.8, 140.2, 130.9, 122.6, 121.1, 120.0, 116.7, 79.3, 74.7, 73.0, 67.1, 54.5, 42.5, 40.5, 38.7, 32.8, 32.5, 28.8, 26.2, 23.7, 18.7, 16.7, 14.1, 14.0; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{28}H_{41}NO_6S (M + Cs^+) 652.1709$, found 652.1693.

Fluoride 50. A solution of triol **45** (3.6 mg, 0.007 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (10 μ L, 0.07 M) at -78° C

was treated with DAST (11 µL of a 0.7 M solution in CH₂Cl₂, 0.08 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and the mixture was stirred at -78° C for 10 min. The reaction was then quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (500 μL) and the mixture was allowed to warm to 25°C. The product was then partitioned between saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (5 mL) and CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) and the layers were separated. The aqueous phase was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2×5 mL) and the combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and then concentrated under reduced pressure. Preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plate, 40% EtOAc in hexanes) furnished fluoride 50 (2.1 mg, 58%). $R_f = 0.39$ (silica gel, 50% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22} - 34.4$ (c 0.09, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3413, 2919, 2849, 1725, 1684, 1465, 1381, 1290, 1250, 1150, 1041, 979, 872 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.22 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.62 (s, 1H, CH=CCH₃), 5.60 (d, J=47.0 Hz, 2H, ArC H_2 F), 5.56–5.52 (m, 1H, C=CHC H_2), 5.27 (dd, J=9.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.79 (dd, J=47.9, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CH=CC H_2 F), 4.71 (dd, J=47.9, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CH=CC H_2 F), 4.24 (dd, J=10.9, 2.6 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.70 (dd, J = 4.3, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.15 (qd, J = 6.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.00–2.85 (m, 1H, OH), 2.71 (m, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.46 (dd, J = 14.9, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.38–2.29 (m, 2H, $CH_2C(CH_2OH)=CH)$, 2.30 (dd, J=14.9, 2.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.15-2.09 (m, 1H, C=CHCH₂CHO), 2.11 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, CH=C(C H_3)), 1.80–1.50 (m, 4H), 1.37– 1.29 (m, 2H), 1.33 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.18 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 1.06 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.01 (d, J=7.1 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)); HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{27}H_{39}F_2NO_5S$ (M+H⁺) 528.2595, found 528.2610.

Fluoride 51. A solution of triol 46 (8.2 mg, 0.016 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (200 μ L, 0.04 M) at -78° C was treated with DAST (2.5 μL, 0.019 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred at -78° C for 10 min according to the procedure described for the synthesis of fluoride 50, to yield, after preparative thinlayer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plates, 30% EtOAc in hexanes), fluoride **51** (3.5 mg, 43%). $R_f = 0.57$ (silica gel, 60% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{p}^{22}$ -41.7 (c 0.11, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3418, 2925, 2852, 1734, 1686, 1535, 1461, 1415, 1383, 1334, 1241, 1150, 1045, 976 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.51 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.37 (s, 1H, $CH=CCH_3$), 5.55–5.51 (m, 1H, $C=CHCH_2$), 5.22 (dd, J=10.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.81 (dd, J = 48.0, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CC H_2 F), 4.71 (dd, J = 48.0, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH=CC H_2 F), 4.26 (dd, J = 11.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 4.09 (s, 3H, CH₃O), 3.71 (dd, J=4.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.17 (qd, J=7.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.01-2.95 (m, 1H, OH), 2.76-2.68 (m, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.47 (dd, J=14.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.37–2.27 (m, 2H, CH₂C(CH₂OH)=CH), 2.29 (dd, J = 14.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.17–2.11 (m, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.14 (s, 3H, CH=C(C H_3)), 1.80– 1.50 (m, 4H), 1.40–1.22 (m, 2H), 1.34 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.19 (d, $J = 7.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 1.08 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$, 1.03 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.3, 174.1, 170.1, 146.1, 138.1, 125.9, 125.8, 119.4, 109.1, 86.2 (d, $J = 660 \,\mathrm{Hz}$), 78.5, 73.7, 72.4, 58.5, 53.3, 41.6, 39.5, 37.8, 32.0, 31.6, 29.6,

27.6, 25.1, 22.8, 18.0, 15.7, 13.1; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₂₇H₄₀FNO₆S (M+H⁺) 526.2639, found 526.2625.

Fluoride 52. A solution of triol **47** (12.5 mg, 0.024) mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (500 μ L, 0.05 M) at -78° C was treated with DAST (250 µL, 0.1 M in CH₂Cl₂, 0.025 mmol, 1.05 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred at -78° C for 10 min according to the procedure described for the synthesis of fluoride 50, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plates, 60% EtOAc in hexanes), fluoride 52 (5.1 mg, 41%). $R_f = 0.19$ (silica gel, 50% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_r^2$ -68.6 (c 0.22, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3504, 2969, 2935, 2877, 1736, 1687, 1461, 1369, 1290, 1250, 1148, 1068, 1044, 1008, 976 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.98 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.60 (s, 1H, CH=CCH₃), 5.56-5.52 (m, 1H, C=CHCH₂), 5.23 (dd, J=10.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.80 (dd, J = 48.0, 10.5 Hz, 1H, $CH=CCH_2F$), 4.71 (dd, J=48.0, 10.5 Hz, 1H, $CH=CCH_2F$), 4.33 (ddd, J=11.0, 5.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.71 (ddd, J = 5.0, 2.5, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.71 (d, $J = 6.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H, CHOH), 3.17 (qd, J = 7.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.07 (m, 1H, OH), 4.51 (q, $J = 7.5 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 2H, CH_2CH_3), 2.70 (ddd, J = 15.0, 10.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.45 (dd, J = 14.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.39–2.28 (m, 2H, CH₂C(CH₂OH)=CH), 2.26 (dd, J = 14.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.17–2.10 (m, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.08 (d, J=1.5 Hz, 3H, CH=C(C H_3)), 1.80–1.67 (m, 3H), 1.39 (t, J=7.5 Hz, 3H, CH_2CH_3), 1.39–1.24 (m, 2H), 1.35 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.19 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 1.07 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.03 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.7, 172.0, 170.3, 151.6, 138.9, 138.1, 126.1 (d, $J = 46 \,\mathrm{Hz}$), 119.5, 115.2, 86.3 (d, J = 658 Hz), 78.2, 73.8, 72.2, 53.7, 41.5, 39.7, 37.9, 32.3, 31.6, 27.7, 26.8, 25.1, 23.0, 17.6, 15.9, 15.8, 14.0, 13.1; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{28}H_{42}FNO_5S$ (M+Cs⁺) 656.1822, found 656.1843.

Fluoride 53. A solution of triol **49** (6.0 mg, 0.0115 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.5 mL, 0.01 M) at -78° C was treated with DAST (25 µL, 0.08 M in CH₂Cl₂, 0.016 mmol, 1.1 equiv) and the resulting mixture was stirred at -78° C for 10 min according to the procedure described for the synthesis of fluoride 50, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plates, 50% EtOAc in hexanes), fluoride 53 (3.0 mg, 50%). $R_f = 0.50$ (silica gel, 50% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{2\alpha}$ -12.4 (c 0.2, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3408, 2926, 2851, 1732, 1682, 1462, 1384, 1292, 1250, 1150, 1068, 974 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.04 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.86 (dd, J = 17.4, 10.8 Hz, 1H, $CH = CH_2$), 6.59 (s, 1H, $CH = CCH_3$), 6.05 (d, J = 17.5 Hz, 1H, $CH=CH_2$), 5.55 (d, J=11.0 Hz, 1H, $CH=CH_2$) 5.57– 5.51 (m, 1H, C=CHCH₂), 5.25 (d, J=10.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.79 (dd, J = 48.0, 10.7 Hz, 1H, CH=CC H_2 F), 4.71 (dd, J = 48.0, 10.7 Hz, 1H, CH=CC H_2 F), 4.28 (dd, J = 10.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.70 (m, 1H, CHOH), 3.33-3.25 (m, 1H, CHOH), 3.16 (qd, J=7.0, 2.1 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.98 (m, 1H, OH), 2.75–2.66 (m, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.46 (dd, J=14.6, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.37–2.27 (m, 2H, $CH_2C(CH_2OH)=CH$), 2.28 (dd, J = 14.6, 2.6 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.15–2.08 (m, 1H, C=CHC H_2 CHO), 2.11 (s, 3H, CH=C(CH_3)), 1.80–1.64 (m, 3H), 1.43–1.27 (m, 2H), 1.34 (s, 3H, C(CH_3)₂), 1.18 (d, J=6.8 Hz, 3H, CH(CH_3)), 1.07 (s, 3H, C(CH_3)₂), 1.03 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, CH(CH_3)); ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.9, 170.5, 166.3, 152.9, 139.3, 138.7 (d, J=54 Hz), 130.2, 126.1 (d, J=43 Hz), 120.4, 119.4, 116.1, 86.3 (d, J=659 Hz), 78.3, 73.8, 72.3, 53.5, 41.5, 39.5, 37.8, 32.1, 31.6, 29.6, 27.5, 25.1, 22.8, 17.7, 15.7, 13.0; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{28}H_{40}FNO_5S$ (M+H⁺) 522.2689, found 522.2704.

Epoxide 54. To a solution of allylic alcohol 45 (25.4 mg, 0.049 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and 4 Å molecular sieves in CH₂Cl₂ (0.50 mL) at -40°C was added dropwise (+)-diethyl-D-tartrate (41 μ L, 0.59 M in CH₂Cl₂, 0.024 mmol, 0.5 equiv) followed by titanium isopropoxide (55 μ L, 0.35 M in CH₂Cl₂, 0.019 mmol, 0.4 equiv). After 1 h at that temperature, t-butyl hydroperoxide (22 µL of a 5 M solution in decane, 0.110 mmol, 2.2 equiv) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at -30° C for 2 h. The reaction mixture was then filtered through Celite into saturated aqueous Na₂SO₄ (10 mL), eluting with EtOAc (10 mL). The resulting biphasic mixture was then stirred for 1 h and the layers were separated. The aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc $(3\times10\,\mathrm{mL})$ and the combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated under reduced pressure. thin-layer Preparative chromatography (250 µm silica gel plates, 80% EtOAc in hexanes) furnished epoxide **54** (13.5 mg, 52%). $R_f = 0.23$ (silica gel, 80% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -55.4 (c 0.06, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3425, 2929, 2862, 1732, 1688, 1456, 1367, 1292, 1258, 1195, 1149, 1040, 980 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.22 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.62 (s, 1H, $CH=CCH_3$), 5.59 (d, J=47.0 Hz, 2H, $ArCH_2F$), 5.46 (dd, J = 6.7, 3.4 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.14–4.09 (m, 1H, CHOH), 3.89 (d, $J = 6.4 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 1H, OH), 3.76 (bs, 1H, CHOH), 3.72 (d, J = 12.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂OH), 3.56 (dd, $J = 12.1, 7.5 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, CH_2OH), 3.33 \text{ (qd, } J = 6.8, 5.3 \text{ Hz},$ 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 3.16 (dd, J=6.3, 6.1 Hz, 1H, $C(O)CHCH_2CHO)$, 2.55 (dd, J=14.1, 10.2 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.50 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.41 (dd, J = 14.1, 3.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.11 (s, 3H, CH=C(CH₃)), 2.10-1.97 (m, 2H, $C(O)CHCH_2CHO)$, 1.91–1.81 (m, 2H, $CH_2C(CH_2OH)$), 1.74–1.60 (m, 3H), 1.50–1.30 (m, 2H), 1.34 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.18 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 1.06 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.99 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, C(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.0, 170.3, 163.5 (d, J = 93 Hz), 152.6, 137.5, 119.3, 118.2, 80.5 (d, J = 675 Hz), 76.4, 74.6, 73.2, 63.8, 63.3, 56.9, 52.7, 39.1, 36.6, 31.2, 31.0, 28.1, 22.4, 20.9, 20.6, 17.5, 15.8, 14.2; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{27}H_{40}FNO_7S$ (M + H +) 542.2588, found 542.2575.

Epoxide 55. To a solution of allylic alcohol **46** (22 mg, 0.042 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and 4 Å molecular sieves in CH_2Cl_2 (420 μ L) at $-40^{\circ}C$ was added dropwise (+)-diethyl-D-tartrate (4 μ L, 0.021 mmol, 0.5 equiv), followed by titanium isopropoxide (5 μ L, 0.016 mmol, 0.4 equiv) and after 1 h at this temperature, *t*-butyl hydroperoxide (18 μ L of a 5 M solution in decane, 0.092 mmol, 2.2 equiv) according to the procedure described for the synthesis of epoxide **54** to yield, after

preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plates, 80% EtOAc in hexanes), epoxide 55 (16 mg, 70%). $R_f = 0.25$ (silica gel, 80% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{D}^{2a}$ -44.8 (c 1.4, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3435, 2959, 2935, 2877, 1732, 1689, 1534, 1459, 1421, 1371, 1338, 1241, 1174, 1039, 980 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.51 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.35 (s, 1H, CH=CCH₃), 5.40 (dd, J = 7.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.11 (ddd, $J = 10.0, 6.5, 3.0 \,\text{Hz}, 1H, CHOH), 4.07 (s, 3H, CH₃O),$ 3.88 (d, $J = 6.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H, OH), 3.77–3.74 (m, 1H, CHOH), 3.73 (dd, J = 12.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂OH), 3.57 (dd, J = 12.5, 8.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2OH), 3.32 (qd, J = 7.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 3.16 (dd, J=7.0, 5.5 Hz, 1H, C(O)CHCH₂CHO), 2.54 (dd, J = 14.5, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.50 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.40 (dd, J = 14.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.13 (s, 3H, CH= $C(CH_3)$), 2.12–2.05 (m, 1H, C(O)CHCH₂CHO), 2.03-1.95 (m, 2H), 1.90-1.82 (m, 1H, $CH_2C(CH_2OH)$), 1.75–1.60 (m, 2H), 1.50– 1.20 (m, 3H), 1.35 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.16 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 1.07 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.99 (d, $J = 7.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 3H, 74.5, 73.1, 63.8, 63.4, 60.4, 58.4, 57.1, 52.7, 43.4, 39.1, 36.4, 31.2, 30.9, 28.1, 22.2, 21.0, 20.3, 17.3, 15.4, 14.0; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₂₇H₄₁NO₈S $(M + Cs^{+})$ 672.1607, found 672.1584.

Fluoride 58. A solution of triol 54 (5.0 mg, 0.009) mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (1 mL, 0.01 M) at $-78^{\circ}C$ was treated with DAST (20 µL of a 0.1 M solution in CH₂Cl₂, 0.025 mmol, 1.05 equiv) according to the procedure described for the synthesis of fluoride 50, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plates, 60% EtOAc in hexanes), fluoride **58** (2.0 mg, 41%). $R_f = 0.22$ (silica gel, 50% EtOAc in hexanes); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3402, 2954, 2923, 2853, 1732, 1688, 1462, 1378, 1262, 1185, 1149, 1082, 1031, 980 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.23 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.63 (s, 1H, $CH=CCH_3$), 5.60 (d, J=47.0 Hz, 2H, ArCH₂F), 5.47 (dd, J = 7.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.39 (dd, \bar{J} =47.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H, C(O)CH₂F), 4.30 (dd, J=47.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H, C(O)CH₂F), 4.13 (ddd, J=9.5, 6.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.75 (dd, J = 5.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.74 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.31 (qd, J = 7.0, 6.0 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.02 (dd, J=6.0, 6.0 Hz, 1H, $CH(O)CH_2CHO)$, 2.56 (dd, J=14.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.46 (brs, 1H, OH), 2.42 (dd, J=14.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_2COO)$, 2.13 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 2.10-1.97 (m, 3H), 1.95–1.87 (m, 1H), 1.90–1.82 (m, 1H), 1.75–1.63 (m, 2H), 1.50–1.20 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$, 1.16 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 1.08 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.01 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, C(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 221.5, 170.4, 163.7, 152.7, 137.4, 119.5, 118.4, 85.2 (d, $J = 700 \,\mathrm{Hz}$), 80.6 (d, J = 675 Hz), 76.3, 74.3, 73.4, 60.2, 52.6, 43.3, 38.9, 36.5, 31.0, 30.9, 27.1, 22.2, 20.8, 20.6, 17.2, 15.7, 13.9; MS (electrospray), calcd for $C_{27}H_{39}F_2NO_6S$ (M+H⁺) 544, found 544.

Fluoride 59. A solution of triol **55** (15 mg, 0.028 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH_2Cl_2 (280 μ L, 0.1 M) at $-78^{\circ}C$ was treated with DAST (5 μ L, 0.038 mmol, 1.4 equiv) according to the procedure described for the synthesis of fluoride **50**, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 μ m silica gel plates, 50% EtOAc

in hexanes), fluoride **59** (4.0 mg, 26%). $R_f = 0.42$ (silica gel, 80% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ –29.4 (c 0.33, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) ν_{max} 3492, 2960, 2928, 2874, 2865, 1738, 1732, 1693, 1682, 1537, 1462, 1455, 1422, 1384, 1241, 1144, 980 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.52 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.35 (s, 1H, CH=CCH₃), 5.41 (dd, J=7.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.40 (dd, J=47.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂F), 4.30 (dd, J=47.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2F), 4.14 (ddd, J = 10.0, 7.0, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 4.08 (s, 3H, CH₃O), 3.80 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.78 (dd, J = 3.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.31 (qd, J=7.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.01 (dd, J=7.0, 5.5 Hz, 1H, C(O)CHCH₂CHO), 2.55 (dd, J = 14.5, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.53 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.40 (dd, J = 14.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.14 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 2.12–2.15–1.90 (m, 3H), 1.73–1.70 (m, 1H), 1.55-1.24 (m, 5H), 1.36 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.17 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)), 1.09 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.00 (d, $J = 7.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 3H, C(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.1, 173.9, 170.2, 146.3, 135.7, 120.0, 109.8, 85.8, 85.2 (d, J = 695 Hz), 65.8, 61.5 (d, J = 82 Hz), 58.4, 57.3 (d, J = 27 Hz), 52.7, 43.3, 39.2, 36.5, 31.1, 31.0, 27.3, 22.2, 21.2, 20.4, 17.3, 15.4, 13.9; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{27}H_{40}FNO_7S$ (M+Cs⁺) 674.1564, found 674.1594.

Epoxide 57. To a solution of allylic alcohol **24** (81 mg, 0.151 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and 4A molecular sieves in CH_2Cl_2 (1.25 mL) at $-40^{\circ}C$ was added dropwise (+)diethyl-D-tartrate (13 µL, 0.076 mmol, 0.5 equiv), followed by titanium isopropoxide (18 µL, 0.060 mmol, 0.4 equiv) and after 1 h at this temperature, t-butyl hydroperoxide (66 µL of a 5 M solution in decane, 0.330 mmol, 2.2 equiv) according to the procedure described for the synthesis of epoxide 54 to yield, after flash column chromatography (silica gel, 80% EtOAc in hexanes), epoxide 57 (74 mg, 89%). $R_f = 0.34$ (silica gel, 80% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -32.5 (c 0.3, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3455, 2959, 2931, 2877, 1733, 1689, 1465, 1377, 1289, 1257, 1147, 1040, 979, 912 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.46 (s, 1H, CH=CCH₃), 5.48 (dd, J=4.9, 4.7 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.00 (bm, 1H, CHOH), 3.75 (dd, J = 5.6, 3.4 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.71 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂OH), 3.64 (bs, 1H, OH), 3.56 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H, C H_2 OH), 3.32 (qd, J = 6.7, 6.7 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 3.09 (dd, J=6.3, 6.2 Hz, $C(O)CHCH_2CHO)$, 2.52 (dd, J=14.3, 9.8 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.43 (dd, J=14.3, 3.4 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.28 (bs, 1H, OH), 1.95 (m, 2H, C(O)CHCH₂CHO), 1.86 (s, 3H, CH= $C(CH_3)$), 1.79 (m, 1H, $CH_2C(CH_2OH)$), 1.67 (m, 1H), 1.61 (m, 1H), 1.46 (m, 2H), 1.33 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$, 1.24 (m, 2H), 1.15 (d, J=6.8 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 1.06 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.98 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 3H, C(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.2, 170.2, 143.7, 80.4, 75.3, 75.1, 73.6, 63.8, 63.0, 56.2, 52.2, 44.1, 38.7, 36.7, 31.6, 30.8, 30.7, 27.6, 22.7, 21.5, 21.3, 17.5, 14.6; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{23}H_{37}IO_7$ $(M + Na^{+})$ 575.1483, found 575.1462.

Epoxide 56. A solution of vinyl iodide **57** (20 mg, 0.036 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8r** (29 mg, 0.072 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (2.0 mg, 0.004 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in degassed DMF (360 μL, 0.1 M) was

stirred at 25°C for 20 h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of lactone **18d**, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plates, EtOAc), starting vinyl iodide 57 (6 mg, 30%) and macrolactone **56** (10 mg, 51%). $R_f = 0.23$ (silica gel, 80% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -60.0 (c 0.14, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3414, 2969, 2933, 2872, 1736, 1687, 1458, 1373, 1293, 1258, 1150, 980, 914 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.99 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.61 (s, 1H, $CH = CCH_3$), 5.43 (dd, J = 8.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.20 (ddd, J=9.5, 6.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 4.04 (d, $J=6.5\,\mathrm{Hz}$, 1H, OH), 3.77 (dd, J=4.0, 4.0 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.74 (dd, J = 12.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂OH), 3.57 (dd, J = 12.5, 8.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2OH), 3.32 (qd, J = 7.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 3.16 (dd, J = 7.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H, $C(O)CHCH_2CHO)$, 3.01 (q, J=7.5 Hz, 2H, CH_2CH_3), 2.56 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.54 (dd, J=14.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.38 (dd, J = 14.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.14 (ddd, J=15.0, 4.5, 3.0 Hz, 1H, $C(O)CHCH_2CHO)$ 2.11 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 2.02– 1.96 (m, 1H, C(O)CHCH₂CHO), 1.93–1.84 (m, 1H), 1.74–1.71 (m, 1H), 1.55–1.25 (m, 5H), 1.40 (t, $J = 8.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 3H, CH_3CH_2), 1.37 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.17 (d, $J = 7.0 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 3H, CH(CH₃)), 1.08 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.01 (d, $J = 7.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 3H C(CH₃)₂); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.4, 172.0, 170.5, 151.5, 137.2, 119.7, 115.5, 76.4, 74.1, 72.7, 63.8, 63.5, 57.3, 53.1, 42.9, 39.2, 36.4, 31.4, 30.9, 28.3, 26.8, 21.9, 21.2, 19.5, 17.1, 15.9, 14.0, 13.6; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{28}H_{43}NO_7S$ $(M + Na^{+})$ 560.2658, found 560.2640.

bis-Silylether 61. To a solution of triol 57 (83 mg, 0.150 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in DMF (1.5 mL, 0.1 M) was added Et₃N (315 µL, 2.26 mmol, 15 equiv) followed by TMSCl (152 µL, 1.20 mmol, 8 equiv) and the mixture was stirred at 25°C for 12 h. The mixture was then concentrated under reduced pressure and the resulting oil was partitioned between ether (10 mL) and water (10 mL) and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with ether $(3\times10\,\mathrm{mL})$ and the combined extracts were dried (MgSO₄), concentrated under reduced pressure and then filtered through a short plug of silica gel. The resulting filtrate was concentrated, dissloved in CH₂Cl₂ (5 ml) and silica gel (1 g) was added. The resulting slurry was stirred at 25°C for 12 h, filtered, concentrated and finally passed through a short plug of silica gel to afford the bis-silylether 61 as a foam (103 mg, 98%). $R_f = 0.48$ (silica gel, 60% Et₂O in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ -19.1 (c 0.23, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3408, 2956, 1746, 1698, 1454, 1383, 1250, 1156, 1113, 1060, 1021, 985, 898, 841, 752 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR $(500 \text{ MHz}, \text{ CDCl}_3) \delta 6.44 \text{ (s, 1H, ArH)}, 5.37 \text{ (dd,}$ J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.01 (dd, J = 10.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.86 (d, $J = 10.0 \,\text{Hz}$, 1H, CHOSi), 3.79 (dd, J = 12.5, 4.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂OH), 3.49 (ddd, J = 12.5, 10.5, 8.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂OH), 3.39 (m, 1H, OH), 3.09 (dd, J = 10.5, 3.5 Hz, 1H, CH(O)CH₂CHO), 2.97 (qd, J = 6.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.74 (dd, J=16.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.67 (dd, J=16.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.18–2.15 (m, 1H, $CH(O)CH_2CHO$), 1.95– $1.82 \text{ (m, 2H)}, 1.82 \text{ (s, 3H, CH}_3\text{C}=\text{C)}, 1.68-1.40 \text{ (m, 4H)},$ 1.24 (m, 2H), 1.18 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.11 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$, 1.06 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 0.95 (d, J= 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)), 0.14 (s, 9H, (CH₃)₃Si), 0.06 (s, 9H, (CH₃)₃Si); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 214.8, 170.8, 145.4, 81.4, 80.6, 76.2, 74.5, 64.0, 63.4, 58.1, 53.2, 48.3, 40.0, 35.6, 32.9, 31.4, 28.7, 24.5, 23.4, 23.3, 19.6, 19.5, 17.9, 0.9, 0.3; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₂₉H₅₃IO₇Si₂ (M + Cs⁺) 829.1429, found 829.1459.

Aldehyde 62. To a suspension of alcohol 61 (20 mg, 0.029 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and 4 Å molecular sieves in CH₂Cl₂ (0.25 mL) was added NMO (10 mg, 0.085 mmol, 3.0 equiv) followed by TPAP (1 mg, 0.003 mmol, 0.1 equiv). The resulting slurry was stirred at 25°C for 40 min and then filtered through a short plug of silica to afford aldehyde **62** (18 mg, 90%). $R_f = 0.66$ (silica gel, 60% Et₂O in hexanes); IR (thin film) v_{max} 2956, 2913, 2851, 1732, 1698, 1454, 1383, 1250, 1156, 1113, 1021, 987, 895, 841, 750 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.84 (s, 1H, CH=O), 6.51 (s, 1H, ArH), 5.46 (dd, J=7.9, 3.4 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 3.81 (d, J=8.3 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.32 (dd, J=8.5, 4.2 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.04 (qd, J=7.1, 7.1 Hz, 1H CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.65 (dd, J=15.6, 8.3 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.59 (dd, J=15.6, 4.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.21 (ddd, J = 15.2, 3.8, 3.8 Hz, 1H, CH(O)CH₂CHO), 2.06–1.97 (m, 2H), 1.87 (s, 3H, $CH_3C=CH$), 1.87–1.80 (m, 1H), 1.62–1.56 (m, 1H), 1.51–1.41 (m, 2H), 1.27–1.21 (obscured m, 2H), 1.15 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.08 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.08 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 0.96 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 0.13 (s, 9H, (CH₃)₃Si), 0.05 (s, 9H, (CH₃)₃Si); ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 216.2, 198.7, 170.7, 144.9, 81.7, 79.6, 75.0, 74.2, 64.1, 57.7, 53.3, 47.5, 40.0, 36.0, 31.8, 31.0, 29.5, 25.3, 22.9, 22.7, 21.9, 19.9, 19.2, 17.1, 0.4, 0.0; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{29}H_{51}IO_7Si_2$ (M+Cs⁺) 827.1272, found 827.1304.

Olefin 63. Methyltriphenylphosphonium bromide (104 mg of a mixture with sodium amide (Aldrich), 0.250 mmol, 9.7 equiv) in THF (2.0 mL) was added portionwise to a solution of aldehyde 62 (18.0 mg, 0.026 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (0.5 mL) at -5° C until the completion of the reaction was established by TLC. Saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (1 mL) was added and the product was extracted with ether (3×2 mL) dried (MgSO₄) and then concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 15% ether in hexanes) furnished olefin 63 (11.7 mg, 65%). $R_f = 0.50$ (silica gel, 20% Et₂O in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22} - 17.9$ (c 0.2, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 2954, 2923, 1747, 1698, 1456, 1382, 1250, 1156, 1113, 1021, 986, 889, 841, 750 cm⁻¹; 1 H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.44 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.00 (dd, J = 17.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, $CH = CH_2$), 5.36 (dd, J=9.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 5.29 (dd, J=17.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2 =CH), 5.14 (dd, J=10.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2 =CH), 4.12 (dd, J=9.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H, CHOSi), 3.85 (d, $J=9.5 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 1H, CHOSi), 3.04 (qd, J=9.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.85 (dd, J=9.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H, $CH(O)CCH=CH_2$), 2.73 (dd, J=16.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.65 (dd, J=16.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.12 (ddd, J = 15.0, 4.0, 2.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_2CH(O)$, 1.93– 1.78 (3H, m), 1.84 (s, 3H, CH = CC H_3), 1.65–1.20 (m, 5H), 1.19 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.11 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.08 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)), 0.95 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 0.14 (s, 9H, $(CH_3)_3Si$), 0.07 (9H, s, (CH₃)₃Si), ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 215.2, 170.6, 145.4, 136.7, 116.0, 81.2, 80.2, 75.7, 74.7, 63.6, 63.3, 53.3, 48.0, 39.4, 35.9, 33.4, 31.0, 30.3, 29.3, 24.3, 23.6, 22.7, 19.8, 19.5, 17.6, 0.7, 0.3; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{30}H_{53}IO_6Si_2$ (M + Cs⁺) 825.1480, found 825.1450.

Macrolactone 65. A solution of olefin 63 (15 mg, 0.022 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in EtOH (1.0 mL) was treated with hydrazine (17 µL, 0.500 mmol, 25.0 equiv) and H_2O_2 (25 µL, 30% w/w in water, 0.370 mmol, 16.0 equiv) and the resulting mixture stirred at 0°C for 3h. The mixture was then partitioned between ether (4 mL) and water (2 mL) and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with ether $(3\times4\,\text{mL})$ and the combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated under reduced pressure to give macrolactone **64** as a foam (15.0 mg) which was dissolved in THF (1.5 mL) and treated with HF•pyr. in pyr./THF (600 μL) and the mixture was stirred at 0°C for 2 h. The reaction mixture was then quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (5 mL) and was extracted with EtOAc $(3\times3 \text{ mL})$. The combined organic extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 80%) ether in hexanes) furnished macrolactone 65 (9.4 mg, 75%). $R_f = 0.06$ (silica gel, 60% Et₂O in hexanes); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -19.3 (c 0.33, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3416, 2954, 2926, 2872, 1734, 1689, 1456, 1384, 1287, 1256, 1149, 1084, 978, 892 cm⁻¹; 1 H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.46 (s, 1H, $CH=CCH_3$), 5.48 (dd, J=5.0, 5.0 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.03 (bm, 1H, CHOH), 3.76 (bm, 2H, CHOH and OH), 3.34 (qd, J = 6.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH(C=O)), 2.73 (dd, J = 6.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H, $CH(O)CCH_2CH_3$), 2.54 $(dd, J = 14.5, 10.0 \text{ Hz}, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.44 (dd, J = 14.5,$ 8.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.29 (bs, 1H, OH), 1.96–1.85 (m, 2H), 1.89 (s, 3H, CH₃C=CH), 1.70–1.40 (m, 5H), 1.31– 1.24 (m, 4H), 1.35 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.19 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 1.07 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 0.99 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)), 0.91 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H, CH_3CH_2) ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.5, 170.3, 143.8, 80.2, 75.4, 73.8, 63.8, 59.1, 52.1, 44.1, 38.6, 36.4, 31.0, 30.5, 29.7, 29.2, 28.8, 22.8, 21.7, 21.3, 20.1, 17.4, 14.6, 8.8; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{24}H_{39}IO_6$ $(M + Cs^+)$ 683.0846, found 683.0870.

Macrolactone 66. A solution of vinyl iodide 65 (9.4 mg, 0.017 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8j** (10 mg, 0.036 mmol, 2.1 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (1.0 mg, 0.004 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in degassed DMF (250 µL, 0.07 M) was stirred at 25°C for 15 h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18d, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plates, EtOAc) macrolactone **66** (4.6 mg, 52%). $R_f = 0.40$ (silica gel, 80% EtOAc in hexanes); $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ -30.0 (c 0.17, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3432, 2967, 2933, 2872, 1736, 1689, 1458, 1384, 1256, 1151, 1067, 1038, 979, 905, 733 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.23 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.62 (s, 1H, $CH = CCH_3$), 5.59 (d, J = 47.1 Hz, 2H, CH_2F), 5.46 (dd, J = 6.3, 3.7 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.15 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 3.98 (bs, 1H, OH), 3.77 (brs, 1H, CHOH), 3.35 (qd, J = 6.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 2.82 (dd, J = 6.1, 6.1 Hz, 1H, CH(O)CCH₂CH₃), 2.56 (dd, J = 14.0, 9.9 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.48 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.41 (dd, J= 14.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.13 (s, 3H, CH=C(CH₃)), 2.04 (ddd, J= 15.1, 5.9, 4.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂CH(O)CCH₂CH₃), 2.00–1.94 (m, 1H, CH₂CH(O)CCH₂CH₃), 1.78–1.24 (m, 9H), 1.36 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.17 (d, J= 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)), 1.07 (s, 3H, C(CH₃)₂), 1.00 (d, J= 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH(CH₃)); ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.5, 170.5, 163.7, 152.8, 137.8, 119.2, 118.2, 81.2, 79.8, 74.8, 73.3, 64.1, 59.9, 52.6, 43.5, 38.9, 36.4, 31.5, 30.7, 29.2, 28.9, 22.4, 20.7, 20.6, 17.3, 15.7, 14.1, 8.7; HRMS (FAB), calcd for C₂₈H₄₂FNO₆S (M+Cs⁺) 672.1771, found 672.1793.

Macrolactone 67. A solution of vinyl iodide 65 (11 mg, 0.020 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8p** (14 mg, 0.034 mmol, 1.7 equiv) and Pd(MeCN)₂Cl₂ (1.0 mg, 0.004 mmol, 0.2 equiv) in degassed DMF (250 µL, 0.08 M) was stirred at 25°C for 20 h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18d, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plates, Et₂O) macrolactone 67 (8.5 mg, 79%). $R_f = 0.68$ (silica gel, Et₂O); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -44.7 (c 0.08 CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3442, 2964, 2934, 1732, 1683, 1536, 1461, 1422, 1384, 1241, 1150, 1070, 979, 906, 732 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.52 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.36 (s, 1H, $CH=CCH_3$), 5.41 (dd, J=7.0, 3.3 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.15 (ddd, J = 10.3, 7.0, 3.7 Hz, 1 H, CHOH),4.08 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.99 (bd, J = 6.3 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.77(bm, 1H, CHOH), 3.34 (qd, J = 6.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H, CH₃CH (C=O)), 2.81 (dd, J=6.6, 5.9 Hz, 1H, $CH(O)CCH_2CH_3$), 2.55 (dd, J = 14.2, 10.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.52 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.39 (dd, J = 14.0, 2.9 Hz, 1H, CH₂COO), 2.14 (s, 3H, CH=C(C H_3), 2.05 (ddd, J=15.1, 5.5, 4.0 Hz, 1H, $CH_2CH(O)CCH_2CH_3$), 1.98–1.92 (m, 1H, $CH_2CH(O)C$ CH₂CH₃), 1.80–1.70 (m, 2H), 1.58–1.39 (m, 5H), 1.30– 1.24 (m, 2H), 1.17 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, CH(C H_3)), 1.08 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.00 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H, $CH(CH_3)$), 0.91 (t, $J = 7.4 \,\text{Hz}$, 3H, CH_3CH_2); ¹³C NMR (150.9 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.5, 174.1, 170.5, 146.5, 136.3, 119.8, 109.7, 74.6, 73.3, 64.2, 60.1, 58.4, 52.7, 43.4, 39.1, 36.4, 31.6, 30.8, 29.4, 28.9, 22.6, 22.4, 21.0, 20.4, 17.2, 15.5, 14.0, 8.7; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{28}H_{43}NO_7S$ (M+Cs⁺) 670.1815, found 670.1837.

Macrolactone 68. A solution of vinyl iodide 65 (5.8 mg, 0.011 mmol, 1.0 equiv), stannane **8r** (10 mg, 0.025 mmol, 2.3 equiv) and $Pd(MeCN)_2Cl_2$ (1.0 mg, 0.004 mmol, 0.3 equiv) in degassed DMF (100 µL, 0.1 M) was stirred at 25°C for 23 h, according to the procedure described for the synthesis of macrolactone 18d, to yield, after preparative thin-layer chromatography (250 µm silica gel plates, Et₂O) macrolactone **68** (3.7 mg, 65%). $R_f = 0.45$ (silica gel, Et₂O); $[\alpha]_D^{22} - 33.3$ (c 0.09, CHCl₃); IR (thin film) v_{max} 3406, 2954, 2924, 2872, 1736, 1692, 1454, 1384, 1254, 1150, 1071, 979 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.99 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.60 (s, 1H, $CH = CCH_3$), 5.42 (dd, J = 7.9, 3.1 Hz, 1H, CHOCO), 4.33 (bs, 1H, CHOH), 4.24 (bd, $J = 9.6 \,\mathrm{Hz}$, 1H, OH), 3.76 (bm, 1H, CHOH), 3.32 (qd, J=6.8, 4.3 Hz, 1H, $CH_3CH(C=O)$), 3.01 (q, J=7.6 Hz, 2H, $ArCH_2CH_3$), 2.82 (dd, J = 7.4, 4.8 Hz, 1H, $CH(O)CH_2$), 2.60 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.54 (dd, J=13.6, 10.3 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO), 2.35 (dd, J=14.0, 2.9 Hz, 1H, CH_2COO),

2.10–2.05 (obscured m, 1H, $CH_2CH(O)CCH_2CH_3$), 2.09 (s, 3H, $CH=C(CH_3)$), 1.96–1.90 (m, 1H, $CH_2CH(O)CCH_2CH_3$), 1.80–1.67 (m, 2H), 1.66–1.25 (m, 7H), 1.38 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.16 (d, $J=7.0\,Hz$, 3H $CH(CH_3)$), 1.07 (s, 3H, $C(CH_3)_2$), 1.00 (d, $J=7.0\,Hz$, 3H $CH(CH_3)$), 0.92 (t, $J=7.4\,Hz$, 3H, CH_3CH_2), 0.91 (t, $J=7.5\,Hz$, 3H, CH_3CH_2); ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 220.7. 170.6, 115.4, 74.1, 72.6, 64.4, 60.4, 53.2, 42.7, 39.2, 36.3, 31.8, 30.8, 29.7, 28.9, 28.7, 27.8, 26.8, 22.7, 22.0, 21.3, 19.4, 17.5, 17.0, 16.0, 14.1, 14.0, 13.6, 8.6; HRMS (FAB), calcd for $C_{29}H_{45}NO_6S$ (M + Cs +) 668.2022, found 668.2042.

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