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Abstract. The present paper reports on six step synthesis of 11-homodrim-6,8-dien-12-oic acid *N*-substituted amides containing diazine, 1,2,4-triazole and carbazole rings based on commercially available sclareolide. The mentioned compounds were prepared for the first time by interaction of the generated *in situ* acyl chloride with some heterocyclic amines: 2- and 4-aminopyrimidine, 2-aminopyrazine, 5-amino-1,2,4-triazole and *N*-aminocarbazole. Their structures were fully elucidated by elemental and spectral analyses (IR, ¹H and ¹³C NMR).

Keywords: sesquiterpenoids, *N*-substituted amides, heterocyclic amines, diazine, 1,2,4-triazole, carbazole, synthesis.

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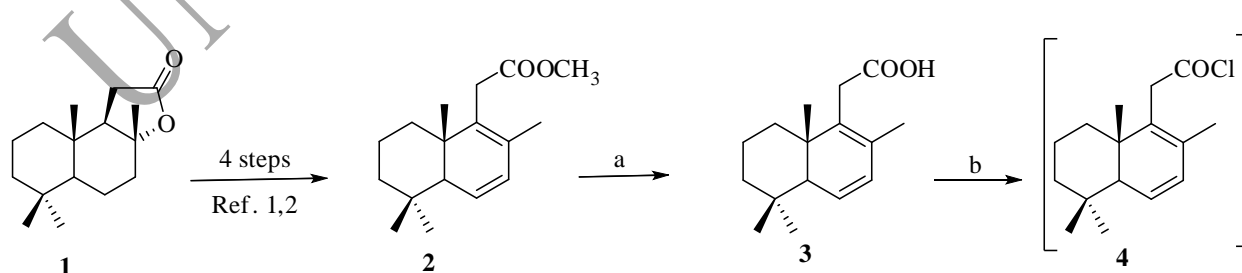
Introduction

Sesquiterpenoids are natural compounds with a wide range of biological activities [1,2]. It is known that azaheterocyclic derivatives also have a wide range of biological activities, such as antimicrobial, antifungal, antituberculosis, antiviral, anti-HIV, anticancer, *etc.* [3,4]. In order to search for new biologically active substances and to reveal the structure-activity relationship, we have previously synthesized a series of heterocycle-containing drimane and homodrimane derivatives [5,6], including amides of $\Delta^{8,13}$ -bicyclohomofarnesenoic acid containing pyrimidine and pyrazine rings, which has a significant antimicrobial activity [7]. Later synthesized amides of $\Delta^{8,13}$ -bicyclohomofarnesenoic acid, including 1,2,4-triazole and carbazole units, showed an antioxidant activity [8-10].

As a continuation of our research into the synthesis of novel compounds containing both terpenic and heterocyclic fragments and in order to obtain a cumulative biological potential of the homodrimane structure and related heterocycles, herein we report the synthesis of some new homodrimane sesquiterpenoids with azaheterocyclic fragments.

Results and discussion

As starting material for the synthesis of homodrimane compounds with diazine, triazole and carbazole units was used methyl 11-homodrim-6,8-dien-12-oate **2** obtained before from commercially available sclareolide **1** in 4 steps, with an overall yield of 85% [11] (Scheme 1). The saponification of ester **2** led to acid **3** in 96% yield and its structure was confirmed by IR, ¹H, and ¹³C NMR data.

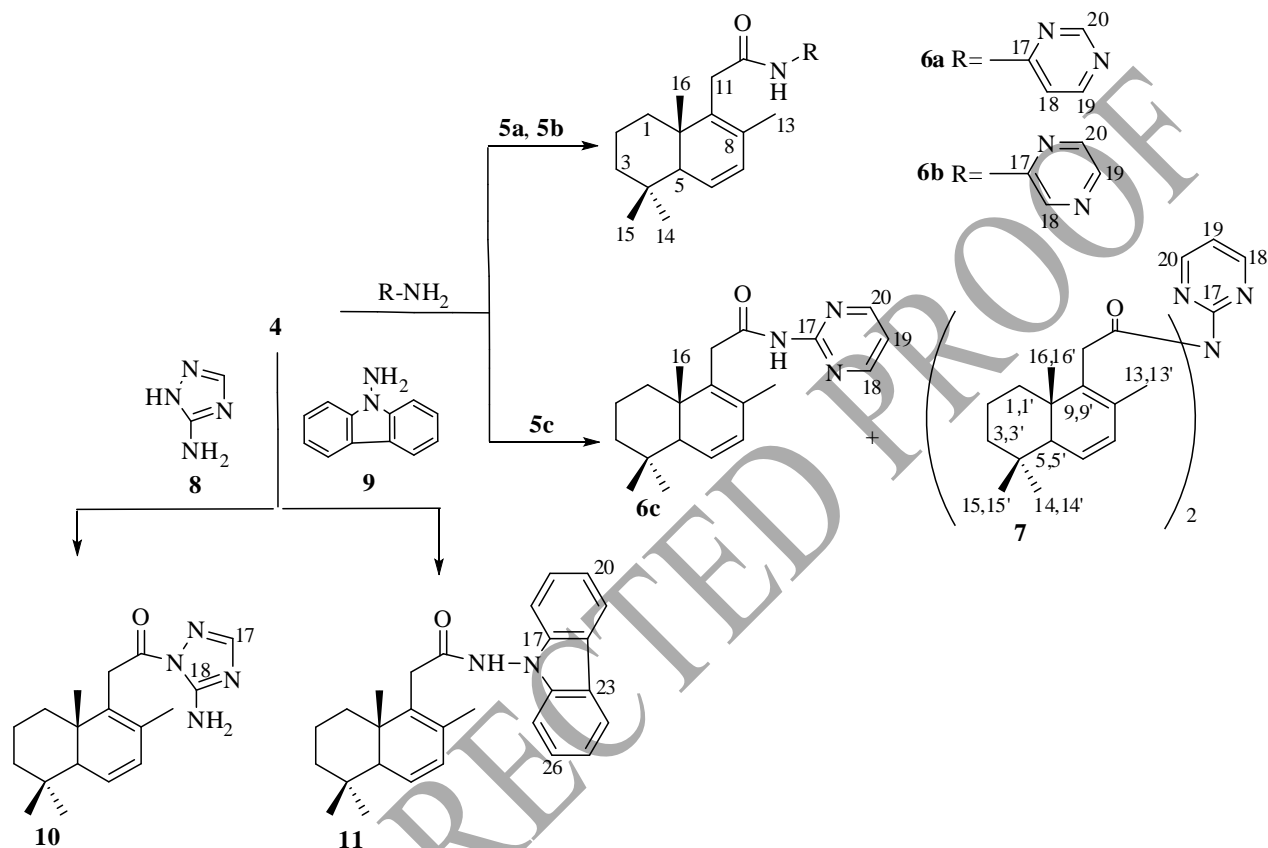


Scheme 1. Synthesis of 11-homodrim-6,8-dien-12-oic acid chloride 4.

Reagents and conditions: a. KOH, EtOH, 3h, 96%; b. (COCl)₂, C₆H₆, 20°C, 1 h, then Δ, 1h.

The 11-homodrim-6,8-dien-12-oyl acid chloride **4** (generated *in situ* from acid **3**) was treated with 4-aminopyrimidine **5a**, 2-aminopyrazine **5b**, 2-aminopyrimidine **5c**, 5-amino-1,2,4-triazole **8** and *N*-aminocarbazole **9** [7,8]. The reactions are highly selective only for monoacyl amides **6a**, **6b**, **10** and **11** in 69%, 35%, 30% and 40% yields, respectively (see Scheme 2

and Table 1). In case of 5-amino-1,2,4-triazole **8**, an analysis of the spectral data of the reaction product showed that this amine reacted with acid chloride **4** in a tautomeric form and the resulting amide **10** contained an NH₂ group. In case of 2-aminopyrimidine **5c**, monoacyl amide **6c** and *bis*-acylamide **7** were also obtained in 40% and 25% yields, respectively (see Scheme 2 and Table 1).



Scheme 2. Synthesis of new homodrimane sesquiterpenoids containing diazine, 1,2,4-triazole and carbazole rings.

Reagents and conditions: CH₂Cl₂, 20°C, 5-10 h, 25-69%.

Table 1

Results of 11-homodrim-6,8-dien-12-oyl acid chloride amination.

No.	Amine	<i>N</i> -substituted amide	Yield, %
1	4-aminopyrimidine (5a)	6a	69
2	2-aminopyrazine (5b)	6b	35
3	2-aminopyrimidine (5c)	Mixture of 6c and 7	40 and 25
4	5-amino-1,2,4-triazole (8)	10	30
5	<i>N</i> -aminocarbazole (9)	11	40

With exception of amide **10**, all the others *N*-substituted amides result from condensation of primary amine groups with acyl chloride **4**. Virtually, all the secondary amides may react again with acyl chloride but, according to the experimental data, only monoacyl amide **6c** undergo *bis*-acylation to give **7**. Probably, this occurs, as result of delocalization of nonbonding

electrons of nitrogen to adjacent carbonyl group (resonance of the amide bond) that reduces the reactivity of amides versus amines. In addition to this, the resonance structures for amides **6a-c** show also delocalization over the aromatic cycle so the aryl substituents determine their reactivity. Probably, the reaction time is important in order the *bis*-acylation occurs.

Conclusions

Starting from commercially available sclareolide **1**, a series of novel compounds **6a-c**, **7**, **10** and **11**, containing both homodrimane and heterocyclic (diazine, 1,2,4-triazole and carbazole) fragments, were synthesized and their structures were confirmed using IR, NMR spectroscopy (^1H and ^{13}C NMR, two-dimensional experiments 2D-COSY, 2D-HETCOR (HMQC), long range 2D-HETCOR (HMBC) and HR-EI-MS.

In case of 5-amino-1,2,4-triazole **8**, analysis of the spectral data of the reaction product showed that this amine reacted with acyl chloride **4** in its tautomeric form and the resulting amide **10** contained an amino group. In case of 2-aminopyrimidine **5c**, besides monoacyl amide **6c**, *bis*-acylamide **7** was also obtained, because of an unusual one pot *bis*-acylation.

Experimental

Generalities

Melting points (mp) were taken on a Boetius hot stage apparatus.

Optical rotations were determined on a Jasco DIP 370 polarimeter with a 1 dm microcell, in CHCl_3 and MeOH.

The IR spectra were registered on a Spectrum-100FT-IR spectrometer (Perkin-Elmer) by the ATR technique. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl_3 and $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ on a Bruker Avance DRX 400 spectrometer. Chemical shifts are given in ppm in the δ scale and referred to CHCl_3 (δ_{H} at 7.26 ppm) and to CDCl_3 (δ_{C} 77.00 ppm), respectively, and to $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ (δ_{H} at 2.50 ppm) and to $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ (δ_{C} 39.52 ppm), respectively. The coupling constants (J) are reported in Hertz (Hz). The H, H-COSY, H, C-HSQC and H, C-HMBC experiments were recorded using standard pulse sequences, in the version with z-gradients, as delivered by Bruker Corporation. Carbon substitution degrees were established by the DEPT pulse sequence.

The product compositions were determined and mass spectra were recorded on an Agilent 7890A chromatograph with an MSD 5975C VL quadrupole MS detector and an HP-5ms capillary column (30 m x 0.25 μm). The vaporizer temperature was 250°C; the ionization potential – 70 eV. Analysis conditions: $T_1 = 180^\circ\text{C}$, 10°C/min to 300°C, $T_2 = 300^\circ\text{C}$ (15 min), or $T_1 = 60^\circ\text{C}$ (5 min), 15°C/min to 200°C, $T_2 = 200^\circ\text{C}$, 15°C/min to 300°C, $T_3 = 300^\circ\text{C}$ (10 min). The He flow rate was 1 mL/min.

For the analytical TLC, Merck silica gel plates 60G in 0.25 mm layers were used. The

TLC plates were sprayed with conc. H_2SO_4 and heated at 80°C. The column chromatography was carried out on the Across Organics silica gel (60–200 mesh) using dichloromethane and the gradient mixture of CH_2Cl_2 and MeOH.

All solvents were purified and dried by standard techniques before use. Solutions in organic solvents were dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , then filtered and evaporated under a reduced pressure.

Synthesis of 11-homodrim-6,8-dien-12-oic acid (3). The solid KOH (410 mg, 11.5 mmol) was added to a solution of ester **2** (300 mg, 1.15 mmol) in EtOH (10 mL). The resulted reaction mixture was heated at 50°C for 3 h and then 2/3 of alcohol were distilled. The remained mixture was diluted with water (10 mL) and extracted with Et_2O (3x10 mL). The organic layer was washed with water (20 mL), dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, concentrated, and the title compound **3** (270 mg, 96% yield) was obtained, as a white solid (EtOH), mp 71–72°C, $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} = -59.0^\circ$ (c 1.2, CHCl_3). IR (ATR) ν 2926, 1701, 1458, 1370, 1202, 941 cm^{-1} ; ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz, ppm): δ 5.87 (1H, dd, J 9.6, 3.0 Hz, H-7), 5.79 (1H, dd, J 9.6, 2.6 Hz, H-6), 3.19 (1H, d, J 16.50 Hz, H-11), 3.06 (1H, d, J 16.50 Hz, H-11), 2.06 (1H, t, J 2.80 Hz, H-5), 1.74 (3H, s, H-13), 0.98 (3H, s, H-14), 0.95 (3H, s, H-15), 0.82 (3H, s, H-16); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz, ppm): δ 178.50 (C-12), 135.68 (C-9), 129.16 (C-7), 128.85 (C-8), 128.25 (C-6), 52.42 (C-5), 40.78 (C-3), 38.74 (C-10), 35.11 (C-1), 32.94 (C-4), 32.46 (C-11), 32.34 (C-15), 22.74 (C-14), 18.89 (C-2), 18.28 (C-13), 14.98 (C-16). Mass spectrum (EI, 70 eV), m/z (I_{rel} , %): 248 (M^+ , 20), 233 (100), 205 (16), 187 (4), 173 (6), 163 (11), 150 (12), 135 (28), 132 (7), 123 (71), 119 (27), 109 (33), 105 (20), 91 (28), 79 (18), 77 (18), 67 (10), 65 (7), 55 (21), 51 (3), 41 (21), 39 (8).

Typical procedure for the synthesis of 11-homodrim-6,8-dien-12-oic acid amides (6a-c), 7, 10 and 11 with diazine, triazole and carbazole skeletons

A solution of $(\text{COCl})_2$ (0.4 mL, 0.58 g, 4.58 mmol) in anhydrous benzene (1 mL) was added to a solution of acid **3** (100 mg, 0.40 mmol) in anhydrous benzene (2 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at r.t. for 1h and then refluxed for additional 1 h. Benzene and excess of $(\text{COCl})_2$ were evaporated under reduced pressure. Next, 4-aminopyrimidine **5a**, or 2-aminopyrazine **5b** or 2-aminopyrimidine **5c** (43 mg, 0.45 mmol), or 5-amino-1,2,4-triazole **8** (50 mg, 0.60 mmol) or *N*-aminocarbazole **9** (102 mg, 0.65 mmol), were

added to the residue of the solution of acyl chloride **4** in CH₂Cl₂ (4 mL), and the resulting mixture was stirred at r.t. for 5 to 10 h. Then the precipitate was filtered off, washed with CH₂Cl₂, and the filtrate was concentrated to dryness. Crude reaction products were purified by flash column chromatography on SiO₂ (eluent: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH 2-4%) to give products **6a-c**, **7**, **10** and **11**.

N-(pyrimidin-4-yl)-2-((8a*S*)-2,5,5,8a-tetramethyl-4a,5,6,7,8,8a-hexahydronaphthalen-1-yl)acetamide **6a** (69%), white solid (MeOH), mp 78-79°C, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -50.2^\circ$ (*c* 4.6, CHCl₃). IR (ATR) ν 3242, 2930, 1705, 1571, 1505, 1157, 750 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz, ppm): δ 8.86 (1H, s, H-20), 8.63 (1H, s, H-18), 8.41 (1H, s, NH), 8.23 (1H, s, H-19), 5.96, 5.94 (1H, dd, *J* 9.66, 2.52 Hz, H-7), 5.92, 5.89 (1H, dd, *J* 9.76, 2.08 Hz, H-6), 3.35 (1H, d, *J* 17.12 Hz, H-11), 3.12 (1H, d, *J* 17.12 Hz, H-11), 2.08 (1H, t, *J* 2.24 Hz, H-5), 1.81 (3H, s, H-13), 0.96 (3H, s, H-14), 0.95 (3H, s, H-15), 0.84 (3H, s, H-16); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz, ppm): δ 171.04 (C-12), 158.01 (C-18), 157.96 (C-20), 156.95 (C-17), 136.31 (C-9), 130.68 (C-8), 129.50 (C-7), 128.85 (C-6), 110.16 (C-19), 53.12 (C-5), 40.62 (C-3), 39.13 (C-10), 36.76 (C-11), 35.10 (C-1), 33.00 (C-4), 32.34 (C-15), 22.76 (C-14), 18.73 (C-2), 18.43 (C-13), 15.10 (C-16). Mass spectrum (EI, 70 eV), *m/z* (*I*_{rel.}, %): 326 (M⁺, 10), 310 (89), 230 (64), 215 (8), 202 (2), 197 (1), 187 (21), 173 (20), 159 (22), 148 (35), 145 (21), 133 (12), 131 (20), 119 (28), 115 (13), 105 (16), 96 (100), 95 (13), 91 (23), 79 (19), 77 (9), 55 (9), 52 (6), 41 (14).

N-(pyrazin-2-yl)-2-((8a*S*)-2,5,5,8a-tetramethyl-4a,5,6,7,8,8a-hexahydronaphthalen-1-yl)acetamide **6b** (35%), white solid (MeOH), mp 174-175°C, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -84.4^\circ$ (*c* 0.8, MeOH). IR (ATR) ν 3115, 2927, 1690, 1593, 1514, 1408, 1348, 1150, 974 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DMSO, 400 MHz, ppm): δ 11.9 (1H, s, NH), 8.15 (1H, s, H-18), 7.92-7.89 (1H, m, H-20), 7.73 (1H, d, *J* 3.05 Hz, H-19), 5.88 (1H, dd, *J* 9.1, 2.7 Hz, H-7), 5.78 (1H, dd, *J* 9.4, 2.9 Hz, H-6), 3.00 (2H, dd, *J* 16.5, 3.0 Hz, H-11), 1.65 (3H, s, H-13), 0.92 (3H, s, H-14), 0.90 (3H, s, H-15), 0.77 (3H, s, H-16); ¹³C NMR (DMSO, 100 MHz, ppm): δ 173.48 (C-12), 154.01 (C-17), 137.75 (C-9), 137.59 (C-20), 135.24 (C-18), 130.86 (C-19), 129.80 (C-7), 127.51 (C-8), 127.63 (C-6), 52.62 (C-5), 41.02 (C-3), 38.72 (C-10), 34.98 (C-1), 32.34 (C-11), 33.04 (C-4), 32.65 (C-14), 23.00 (C-15), 18.90 (C-2), 18.32 (C-13), 15.29 (C-16). Mass spectrum (EI, 70 eV), *m/z* (*I*_{rel.}, %): 326 (M⁺, 9), 310 (65), 281 (3), 262 (23), 247 (3), 230 (5), 219 (3), 203 (6), 187 (55), 173 (76), 159 (14),

143 (25), 133 (43), 131 (21), 119 (100), 105 (20), 91 (22), 77 (12), 65 (4), 55 (13), 41 (15).

N-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-2-((8a*S*)-2,5,5,8a-tetramethyl-4a,5,6,7,8,8a-hexahydronaphthalen-1-yl)acetamide **6c** (40%), white solid (MeOH), mp 84-85°C, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -20.5^\circ$ (*c* 1.9, CHCl₃). IR (ATR) ν 3220, 2926, 1689, 1577, 1512, 1434, 1369, 1265, 1189, 804 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz, ppm): δ 8.67 (1H, s, NH), 8.61 (2H, s, H-18, H-20), 7.01 (1H, s, H-19), 5.93, 5.92 (1H, dd, *J* 9.58, 2.8 Hz, H-7), 5.88, 5.85 (1H, dd, *J* 9.66, 2.56 Hz, H-6), 3.40 (1H, d, *J* 17.16 Hz, H-11), 3.24 (1H, d, *J* 17.36 Hz, H-11), 2.08 (1H, t, *J* 2.64 Hz, H-5), 1.80 (3H, s, H-13), 0.95 (3H, s, H-14), 0.94 (3H, s, H-15), 0.84 (3H, s, H-16); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz, ppm): δ 169.66 (C-12), 158.40 (C-18, C-20), 157.34 (C-17), 137.10 (C-9), 130.05 (C-8), 129.02 (C-7), 128.98 (C-6), 116.65 (C-19), 53.00 (C-5), 40.69 (C-3), 39.07 (C-10), 36.93 (C-11), 34.94 (C-1), 32.98 (C-4), 32.36 (C-15), 22.75 (C-14), 18.74 (C-2), 18.37 (C-13), 15.06 (C-16). Mass spectrum (EI, 70 eV), *m/z* (*I*_{rel.}, %): 326 (M⁺, 0.9), 311 (22), 310 (94), 280 (0.5), 230 (6), 215 (4), 207 (4), 190 (0.6), 187 (7), 173 (7), 165 (2), 145 (10), 131 (11), 119 (14), 115 (8), 108 (3), 96 (100), 91 (14), 79 (11), 69 (4), 63 (0.7), 41 (7).

N-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-2-((8a*S*)-2,5,5,8a-tetramethyl-4a,5,6,7,8,8a-hexahydronaphthalen-1-yl)-*N*-(2-((8a*S*)-2,5,5,8a-tetramethyl-4a,5,6,7,8,8a-hexahydronaphthalen-1-yl)acetyl)acetamide **7** (25%), white solid (MeOH), mp 145-146°C, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -102.5^\circ$ (*c* 0.9, CHCl₃). IR (ATR) ν 2930, 1708, 1647, 1572, 1455, 1403, 1326, 1151, 1133 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz, ppm): δ 8.88 (4H, s, H-18, H-18', H-20, H-20'), 7.36 (2H, s, H-19, H-19'), 5.86, 5.83 (2H, dd, *J* 9.56, 3.0 Hz, H-7, H-7'), 5.77, 5.75 (2H, dd, *J* 9.54, 2.68 Hz, H-6, H-6'), 3.37 (2H, d, *J* 18.04 Hz, H-11, H-11'), 3.26 (2H, d, *J* 18.04 Hz, H-11, H-11'), 2.16 (2H, t, *J* 2.76 Hz, H-5, H-5'), 1.67 (6H, s, H-13, H-13'), 0.94 (6H, s, H-14, H-14'), 0.91 (6H, s, H-15, H-15'), 0.77 (6H, s, H-16, H-16'); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz, ppm): δ 173.95 (C-12, C-12'), 159.81 (C-17), 159.49 (C-18, C-20), 136.25 (C-9, C-9'), 128.76 (C-8, C-8'), 129.08 (C-7, C-7'), 128.00 (C-6, C-6'), 120.45 (C-19), 52.20 (C-5, C-5'), 40.76 (C-3, C-3'), 38.40 (C-10, C-10'), 36.51 (C-11, C-11'), 34.78 (C-1, C-1'), 32.91 (C-4, C-4'), 32.27 (C-15, C-15'), 22.73 (C-14, C-14'), 18.94 (C-2, C-2'), 18.24 (C-13, C-13'), 15.02 (C-16, C-16'). Mass spectrum (EI, 70 eV), *m/z* (*I*_{rel.}, %): 325 (M⁺, -231 (C₁₆H₂₃O), 4), 311 (22), 310 (99), 281(2), 230 (7), 215 (4), 206 (5), 187 (7), 173 (8), 159 (9), 148 (9), 145 (11), 133 (7), 131 (10), 129 (7), 122 (6), 119 (15), 115 (8),

105 (8), 96 (100), 91 (13), 79 (12), 68 (3), 65 (2), 55 (5), 41 (8).

1-(5-amino-1H-1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)-2-((8aS)-2,5,5,8a-tetramethyl-4a,5,6,7,8,8a-hexahydronaphthalen-1-yl)ethanone 10 (30%), oil, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -43.0^\circ$ (*c* 2.5, CHCl₃). IR (ATR) ν 3447, 3218, 2928, 1723, 1631, 1517, 1372, 1200, 997, 752 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.47 (1H, s, H-17), 6.91 (2H, s, NH₂), 5.91 (1H, dd, *J* 9.56, 3.0 Hz, H-7), 5.83 (1H, dd, *J* 9.56, 2.64 Hz, H-6), 3.87 (1H, d, *J* 18.5 Hz, H-11), 3.71 (1H, d, *J* 18.6 Hz, H-11), 2.13 (1H, t, *J* 2.80 Hz, H-5), 1.69 (3H, s, H-13), 0.95 (3H, s, H-14), 0.92 (3H, s, H-15), 0.84 (3H, s, H-16); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz, ppm): δ 173.30 (C-12), 156.94 (C-18), 150.12 (C-17), 134.79 (C-9), 129.54 (C-8), 129.00 (C-7), 128.49 (C-6), 52.45 (C-5), 40.75 (C-3), 38.53 (C-10), 33.31 (C-1), 32.94 (C-4), 33.31 (C-11), 32.31 (C-15), 22.71 (C-14), 18.84 (C-2), 18.28 (C-13), 14.93 (C-16). Mass spectrum (EI, 70 eV), *m/z* (*I*_{rel}, %): 314 (M⁺, 10), 299 (9), 230 (4), 215 (4), 203 (5), 202 (26), 187 (33), 173 (12), 171 (3), 159 (20), 156 (2), 147 (6), 145 (25), 141 (6), 134 (19), 133 (100), 131 (28), 129 (10), 121 (4), 119 (28), 117 (13), 105 (15), 91 (20), 85 (42), 77 (9), 69 (5), 54 (9), 41 (11).

N-(9H-carbazol-9-yl)-2-((8aS)-2,5,5,8a-tetramethyl-4a,5,6,7,8,8a-hexahydronaphthalen-1-yl)acetamide 11 (40%), white solid (MeOH), mp 185-186°C, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -99.2^\circ$ (*c* 0.5, CHCl₃). IR (ATR) ν 3289, 2927, 1733, 1594, 1486, 1443, 1321, 1258, 1163, 1046, 754 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz, ppm): δ 8.47 (s, NH), 8.05 (2H, d, *J* 8.0 Hz, H-21,24), 7.45 (2H, t, *J* 6.8 Hz, H-19,26), 7.25-7.43 (4H, m, H-18, 20, 25,27), 5.96 (1H, dd, *J* 9.5, 2.6 Hz, H-7), 5.92 (1H, dd, *J* 9.3, 2.2 Hz, H-6), 3.49 (1H, d, *J* 17.5 Hz, H-11), 3.38 (1H, d, *J* 17.0 Hz, H-11), 2.16 (1H, t, *J* 2.1 Hz, H-5), 2.02 (3H, s, H-13), 1.02 (3H, s, H-14), 0.97 (3H, s, H-15), 0.95 (3H, s, H-16); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz, ppm): δ 169.41 (C-12), 140.12 (C-17,28), 136.84 (C-9), 130.32 (C-8), 129.31 (C-7), 128.86 (C-6), 126.30 (C-19,26), 121.89 (C-22,23), 120.64 (C-21,24), 120.51 (C-20,25), 108.31 (C-18,27), 53.51 (C-5), 41.05 (C-3), 39.27 (C-10), 35.38 (C-1), 33.97 (C-11), 33.12 (C-4), 32.35 (C-15), 22.64 (C-14), 18.85 (C-2), 18.71 (C-13), 15.24 (C-16). Mass spectrum (EI, 70 eV), *m/z* (*I*_{rel}, %): 412 (M⁺, 13), 397 (62), 355 (2), 327 (2), 281 (9), 252 (3), 230 (2), 207 (28), 187 (12), 182 (44), 179 (13), 166 (100), 152 (15), 145 (10), 133 (14), 131 (10), 128 (6), 119 (30), 115 (9), 113 (2), 105 (12), 95 (3), 91 (13), 79 (4), 73 (3), 63 (2), 55 (9), 41 (8).

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