

increasing the ligand field strength).<sup>12</sup> In both cases, however, the excited state lifetime was compromised. By contrast, caging increases both the photochemical stability and the excited state lifetime.

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### Stereochemical Assignment of Neocarzinostatin Chromophore. Structures of Neocarzinostatin Chromophore-Methyl Thioglycolate Adducts<sup>†</sup>

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The nonprotein component of the antitumor antibiotic neocarzinostatin<sup>1</sup> (neocarzinostatin chromophore, **1**)<sup>2,3</sup> undergoes rapid and irreversible reaction with thiols to produce a species which is capable of cleaving DNA upon aerobic incubation.<sup>4</sup> Goldberg and co-workers first demonstrated that reaction of **1** with methyl thioglycolate produces a 1:1 adduct with the added incorporation of two hydrogen atoms.<sup>5</sup> Subsequently, we proposed structure **2** (planar form) for this adduct and presented the mechanism outlined in Scheme I to account for its formation.<sup>6</sup> We describe herein the isolation and complete characterization of **2** and a new product, the bithiol adduct **3**. The full stereochemical assignment of **2** and, by induction, of **1** is also reported.

Dissociation of **1** from its protein complex was achieved with >85% efficiency by a modification of the procedure of Goldberg et al.<sup>5,7</sup> A freshly prepared solution of **1** ( $6.6 \cdot 10^{-4}$  M) in 0.5 M methanolic acetic acid was deoxygenated at  $-78$  °C and treated with excess distilled, deoxygenated methyl thioglycolate (**4**, 300 equiv) with reaction at  $-78$  °C for 2 h followed by slow warming to 0 °C (10 °C/h). Volatiles were removed at 0 °C, 0.05 mm to provide a mixture containing **2** and **3** (ca. 1:1) as the major products. Preparative thin-layer chromatography (48:48:4 ethanol:benzene:acetic acid,  $R_f$  values 0.31 and 0.43 for **2** and **3**, respectively) with subsequent and final purification over Sephadex LH-20 (dichloromethane) provided **2** and **3** as amorphous films.<sup>8</sup>

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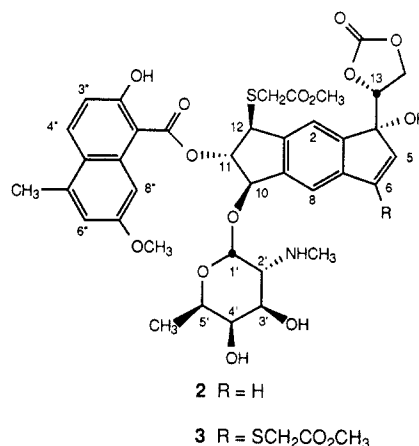
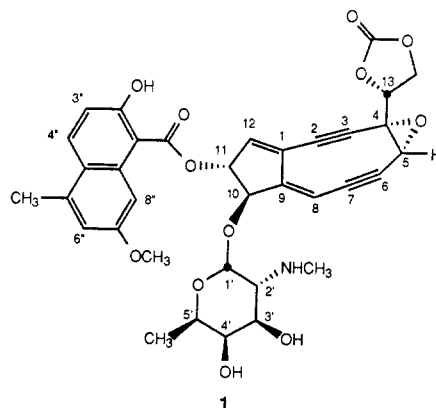
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High resolution FABMS (calcd for  $[M + H]^+$ , C<sub>38</sub>H<sub>42</sub>NO<sub>14</sub>S: 768.2326; found: 768.2429) of **2** confirmed its formulation as **1** + HSCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub> + H<sub>2</sub>. The FTIR spectrum (neat film) showed that the carbonate and naphthoate groups had been preserved (1807 and 1644 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively) and indicated incorporation of **4** (1738 cm<sup>-1</sup>). All carbon-bound proton resonances were well-resolved in the 400 MHz <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>). In addition to readily discernible signals for the *N*-methylfucosamine, naphthoate, methyl thioglycolate, and carbonate appendages, seven resonances attributable to the rearranged core were visible: two aromatic and three nonaromatic singlets ( $\delta$  7.77, 7.23, 5.78, 5.24, 4.63) and two coupled olefinic doublets ( $\delta$  6.94, 6.30,  $J = 5.6$  Hz). 2D-COSY revealed a coupling pathway linking the five singlets (C2-C12-C11-C10-C8-C2).<sup>9</sup> Whereas vanishingly small positive NOEs were observed in CDCl<sub>3</sub> ( $\omega\tau_c \approx 1$ ), large negative NOEs could be obtained in dimethyl-*d*<sub>6</sub> sulfoxide (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>):D<sub>2</sub>O (2:1, 23 °C, Figure 1).<sup>10</sup> Qualitatively similar information was obtained in a two-dimensional version of the CAMELSPIN experiment (CDCl<sub>3</sub>).<sup>11,12</sup> The NOE studies corroborate the linkage established in the 2D-COSY experiment and further define the substitution pattern along the entire periphery of the nucleus, confirming the two-dimensional structure of **2** previously set forth.<sup>6</sup> The data also allow complete determination of the stereochemistry of the left-hand portion of the molecule. The trans,trans-arrangement of the substituents at C10, C11, and C12 was apparent from proton-proton coupling constants ( $J_{10,11}$  and  $J_{11,12} \leq 1$  Hz)<sup>13</sup> and multiple confirming NOEs (Figure

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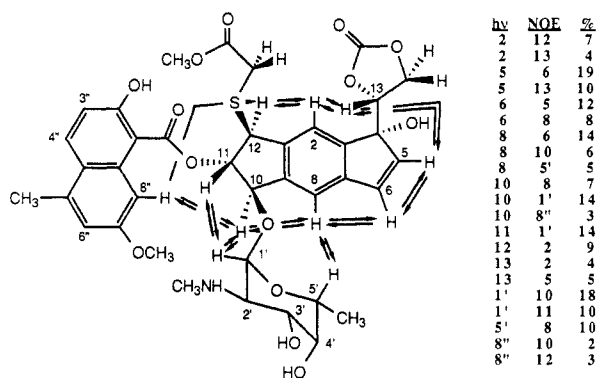
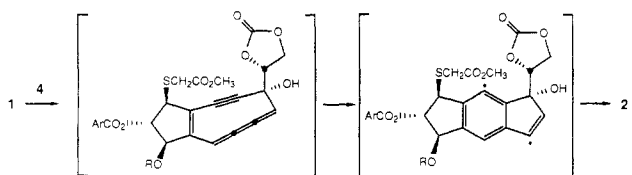


Figure 1. Summary of DNOE experiments in DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>:D<sub>2</sub>O (2:1, 23 °C).

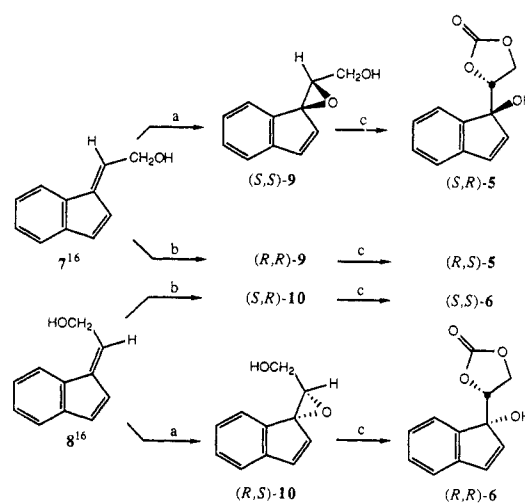
Scheme I. Proposed Mechanism for the Formation of 2.



1). The absolute stereochemistry at these centers was revealed by three reciprocal NOEs between proton pairs H5–H8, H1'–H10, and H1'–H11, allowing correlation of the stereochemistry at C10 and C11 with the D-sugar appendage.<sup>3b</sup> Analysis of coupling constants ( $J_{1',2'} = 3.2$  Hz,  $J_{2',3'} = 10.5$  Hz,  $J_{4',5'} < 1$  Hz) shows that the fucosamine ring occupies a chair conformation with an axially oriented C1' alkoxy substituent, as anticipated from the anomeric effect.<sup>14</sup> Imposing the exo-anomeric effect,<sup>14</sup> that is, a gauche orientation of O–C1'–O–C10 with dihedral angle +60°, then reveals simultaneous proximity of the three interacting proton pairs in the (10*R*, 11*S*, 12*S*)-diastereomer but not the (10*S*, 11*R*, 12*R*)-diastereomer (proximal proton pairs: H1'–H8, H1'–H10, and H5'–H11).<sup>15</sup> The latter diastereomer is further excluded upon examination of molecular models; we find no reasonable conformer which places either of the H5'–H8 or H1'–H11 pairs in proximity.

Absolute and relative stereochemistry at C4 and C13 of 2 was determined as follows. Each of the four diastereomers of model compounds 5 and 6 was synthesized in nonracemic form as outlined in Scheme II and separately converted into its (*R*)- and (*S*)- $\alpha$ -methoxy- $\alpha$ -(trifluoromethyl)phenyl acetic acid ester (MTPA derivative, Mosher ester)<sup>18</sup> with excess MTPA chloride and 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (0.6 M each) in methylene chloride at 23 °C for 1.5 h. Subjection of 2 to identical reaction conditions with (*R*)- and (*S*)-MTPA chloride produced, in each case, a triester derivative in which the C3' equatorial alcohol, phenol, and C4 tertiary hydroxyl groups had been acylated (FABMS: 1416). The 400 MHz <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of each Mosher ester derivative of 2, 5, and 6 was recorded in both CDCl<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub> under conditions of high dilution (2·10<sup>-3</sup> M).<sup>21</sup> Chemical shifts of the

Scheme II. Asymmetric Synthesis of Diastereomeric Model Compounds 5 and 6<sup>a</sup>



<sup>a</sup> (a) stoichiometric (+)-diethyl tartrate, Ti(O*i*Pr)<sub>4</sub>, *t*-BuOOH, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -20 °C, 11 h;<sup>17</sup> (b) as in (a) with (-)-diethyl tartrate (ee 9 = 84%, ee 10 = 88%),<sup>18,19</sup> (c) CO<sub>2</sub>, Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, 3-Å molecular sieves, DMF, 23–40 °C.<sup>20</sup>

three carbonate protons and two cis-coupled olefinic resonances in each derivative of the four diastereomeric model compounds were then tabulated, providing 20 points for comparison with the corresponding derivatives of 2 (five proton resonances, two Mosher ester derivatives, two solvents). Quantitative assessment of the data was achieved by computing the  $\chi_{20}^2$  function<sup>22</sup> taking the reasonable value of 0.10 ppm for  $\sigma$ . We find  $\chi_{20}^2 = 15.9, 69.0, 71.2,$  and  $81.6$  for the (*R,R*)-, (*S,S*)-, (*S,R*)- and (*R,S*)-diastereomers, respectively. The latter three diastereomers can therefore be rejected with >99.5% confidence ( $\chi_{20}^2(0.995) = 40.0$ ), and the complete stereochemical assignment of 2 is then 4*R*, 10*R*, 11*S*, 12*S*, 13*R*. It follows that the corresponding (previously unassigned) stereocenters of 1 are 4*S*, 5*R*, 10*R*, 11*R*, 13*R*, and the stereochemistry of thiol attack on 1 is defined as anti to both the C11 naphthoate appendage and the epoxide oxygen.

Product 3 was shown to be a 2:1 adduct of 4 and 1 by HRFABMS (calcd for [M + H]<sup>+</sup>, C<sub>41</sub>H<sub>46</sub>NO<sub>16</sub>S<sub>2</sub> 872.2258; found: 872.2366). The FTIR spectrum (neat film) revealed a close correspondence with 2: 1815 and 1792 cm<sup>-1</sup> (carbonate), 1647 cm<sup>-1</sup> (hydroxynaphthoate), and 1734 cm<sup>-1</sup> (methyl ester). The 400 MHz <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) was nearly superimposable with that of 2 with the following distinguishing features: (1) resonances for a second methyl thioglycolate substituent were apparent; and (2) the doublet pair corresponding to H5 and H6 was absent, while a new, sharp singlet appeared at  $\delta$  5.90. Irradiation of this singlet (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>:D<sub>2</sub>O 2:1, 23 °C) led to NOE of the carbonate methine and the more downfield SCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub> protons, while irradiation of the latter led to NOE of the  $\delta$  5.90 singlet and H8. These experiments establish the point of attachment of the second methyl thioglycolate as C6; the assignment of structure 3 is otherwise identical with 2.<sup>23</sup>

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$$\chi_{20}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{20} (\delta_{i\text{Adduct}} - \delta_{i\text{Model}})^2 / \sigma^2$$

(23) We presently consider two mechanisms as likely for the formation of 3: (1) a hydrogen atom abstraction (by C-2)–radical recombination (at C-6) reaction of the biradical intermediate of Scheme I with 4 and (2) addition of thiol radical to the cumulene intermediate of Scheme I (at C-6), transannular ring closure, and hydrogen atom abstraction (by C-2). Experiments designed to distinguish between these mechanisms are in progress.

We find that incubation of **1** with 0.2 M DSCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub> in both 9:1 CD<sub>3</sub>OD:CD<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>D and 9:1 CH<sub>3</sub>OD:CH<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>D, as described above, leads to >80% incorporation of deuterium at C-2 and C-6 in isolated **2**.<sup>24</sup> These observations provide strong support for the biradical intermediate of Scheme I. Its formation from the cumulene-ene of Scheme I, as compared with the Bergman reaction<sup>25</sup> postulated to occur in the calichecin<sup>26</sup> and esperamicin<sup>27</sup> antibiotics, represents a new molecular rearrangement and a distinct strategy for the spontaneous generation of carbon-centered free radicals at or below ambient temperature.

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**Supplementary Material Available:** A tabulation of complete and assigned <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectral data for **2** and **3** and the 2-D COSY spectrum of **2** and chemical shift comparisons for (*R*)- and (*S*)-Mosher ester derivatives of **2**, **5**, and **6** (3 pages). Ordering information is given on any current masthead page.

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## NMR Determination of Association Constants for Calixarene Complexes. Evidence for the Formation of a 1:2 Complex with Calix[8]arene

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Calixarenes are cyclic oligomers made up of benzene units just as cyclodextrins are made up of glucose units. A variety of calixarenes may now be synthesized in good yields,<sup>1</sup> and they are now useful as a basic skeleton in the design of new functionalized host molecules.<sup>2-8</sup> Beginning in 1984 we synthesized and studied

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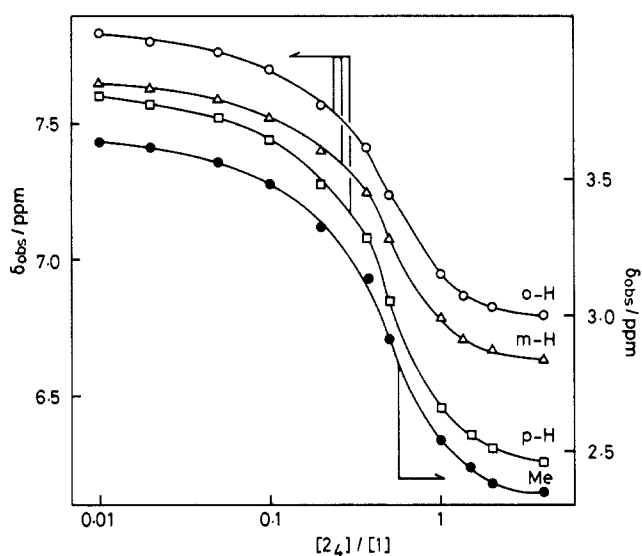
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**Figure 1.** Plots of  $\delta_{\text{obs}}$  versus  $[2_4]/[1]$ . The concentration of **2**<sub>4</sub> was maintained constant (1.00 mM) while that of **1** was varied (0.25–100 mM): D<sub>2</sub>O, 25 °C, pD 7.3 with 0.1 M phosphate buffer, internal standard DSS.

**Table I.** Association Constants and Thermodynamic Parameters

parameter	<b>2</b> <sub>4</sub>	<b>2</b> <sub>6</sub>	<b>2</b> <sub>8</sub>	
			1:1	1:2
$10^{-2}K$ (M <sup>-1</sup> , at 25 °C)	56.0 ± 2.5	5.5 ± 0.4	52.0 ± 0.5	46.0 ± 0.5
$\Delta G$ (kcal mol <sup>-1</sup> , at 25 °C)	-5.1 ± 0.5	-3.7 ± 0.2	-5.1 ± 0.2	-5.0 ± 0.1
$\Delta H$ (kcal mol <sup>-1</sup> )	-6.2 ± 0.3	-0.25 ± 0.10	0.0 ± 0.10	0.0 ± 0.10
$\Delta S$ (cal mol <sup>-1</sup> deg <sup>-1</sup> )	-3.6 ± 0.8	11.7 ± 0.3	17.0 ± 0.3	16.7 ± 0.1

sulfonatocalixarenes, the first example for water-soluble calixarenes.<sup>9-14</sup> However, the question on molecular recognition in solution remained unresolved. We report here the NMR method,<sup>15</sup> which is more complicated but applicable to a variety of guest molecules. We have determined the association constants (*K*),  $\Delta H$ , and  $\Delta S$  for the complexation of trimethylanilinium chloride (**1**) and *p*-sulfonatocalix[*n*]arene (*n* = 4, 6, and 8; **2**<sub>*n*</sub>). During this study we unexpectedly found unequivocal evidence for the formation of the 1:2 complex with **2**<sub>8</sub>.

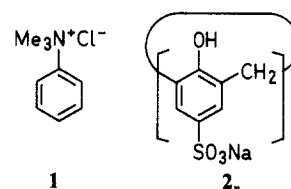


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