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A Concise Total Synthesis of Saliniketal B

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Saliniketal B



Retrosynthetic analysis of Saliniketal B





Synthesis of Fragments 3





Synthesis of Fragments 4







Synthesis of Saliniketal B



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Paterson's work



Paterson, I. et al. Org. Lett. 2008, 10, 3295. 11

Yadav's work



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11 steps, 23%

groundbreaking work of Fenical and co-workers The demonstrated that obligate marine actinomycetes are a rich source of novel bioactive natural products. In 2007, they reported the isolation of the polyketides saliniketal A and B from the marine actinomycete Salinispora arenicola, the structure of which was confirmed by a total synthesis of Paterson and coworkers. Besides unusual structural features, including a dioxabicyclo[3.2.1]octane ring system, an E,Z-dienamide unit, and nine stereocenters, saliniketals are of biological interest because of their ability to inhibit ornithine decarboxylase (ODC) induction. Herein, we report a concise and flexible synthesis of saliniketal B that features a strategy aimed at enabling future structure-function and mode-of-action studies.

In summary, we have achieved a short, highly efficient synthesis of saliniketal B (1) in 11 steps (longest linear) and 23% overall yield. Our approach features the utility of our Pt(II)-catalyzed cycloisomerization methodology for the construction of the dioxabicyclo[3.2.1]octane core, a stereoselective aldol coupling whose selectivity was positively influenced by the ketone γ -stereocenter, and an unusual one-pot desilylation/dihydropyranone fragmentation/amidation sequence.