

**Supporting information for “The cleavage of perylenequinones through  
photochemical oxidation acts as a detoxification mechanism for the  
generator”**

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## Experimental section

### 1. General experimental procedures.

A daylight lamp with light intensity of  $30 \text{ W/m}^2$  was used for the visible light irradiation. The apparatus used for ultraviolet (UV) light irradiation was a Rayonet RPR-350 (Southern New England UV Co.) equipped with 16 fluorescent lamps and a merry-go-round. High-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) was carried out on an Agilent Technologies 1260 infinity equipped with a ZORBAX SB-C<sub>18</sub> 5  $\mu\text{m}$  column (9.4  $\times$  250 mm). TLC was performed with glass precoated silica gel GF<sub>254</sub> plates (Qingdao Marine Chemical Co. Ltd.). UV-visible data were obtained on a UV-2450 spectrophotometer (Shimadzu, Japan). The compounds were visualized under UV (254 nm) light and by spraying with  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4/\text{EtOH}$  (1:9, v/v) followed by heating. NMR spectra

were recorded by a Bruker Avance-DRX-600 spectrometer operating at 600 ( $^1\text{H}$ ) and 150 ( $^{13}\text{C}$ ) MHz with TMS as an internal standard. MS were performed on a Finnigan LC-Q<sup>DECA</sup> mass spectrometer.

## **2. Perylenequinones preparation.**

Previously isolated endolichenic fungus identified as *Phaeosphaeria* sp. (GenBank: HQ324780) that generated perylenequinones (PQs)<sup>[1]</sup> was cultured on potato dextrose agar (PDA) plates. The colony was inoculated into liquid potato dextrose broth (PDB) and cultured in the darkness at 25 °C on a rotary shaker (110 rpm) for 20 days. The fermentation culture of *Phaeosphaeria* sp. was extracted by EtOAc. Hypocrellin A (HA) and calphostin D were obtained from *Phaeosphaeria* sp., which has been reported previously.<sup>1</sup>

## **3. CLSM observation.**

The mycelium was picked up from the culture and observed under a LSM700 confocal laser scanning microscopy (CLSM). 488 nm argon laser was used to excite the perylenequinones with 570–700 nm emission spectrum recorded.

## **4. Photochemical reaction.**

The crude EtOAc extracts were equally divided into three parts. They were respectively treated by visible light irradiation for 4 days, UV irradiation for 5 h or in the

darkness following with HPLC analysis.

A solution of HA (5 mg) in acetonitrile (5 mL) was exposed to a daylight lamp for a total of 48 h, or UV (8 fluorescent lamps) for 4 h. At indicated time, the samples were collected and confirmed by a combined experimental approach utilizing HPLC, TLC, and UV absorption. After evaporation of the solvent, compound **1** (2.5 mg) was separated from the reaction mixture by HPLC (90% MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O, 1.8 mL/min).

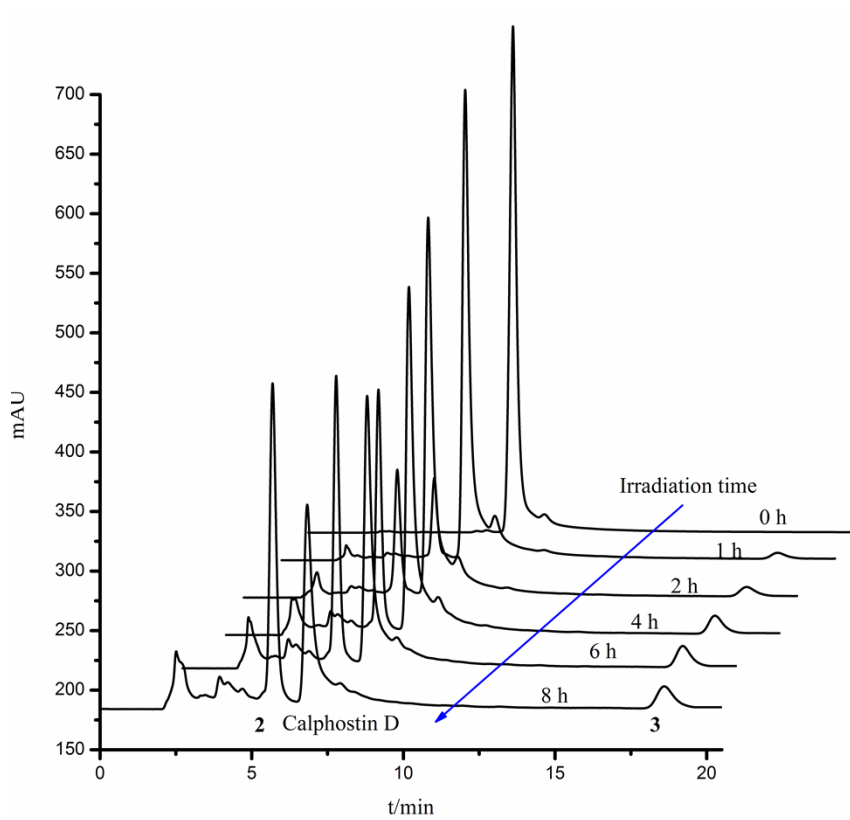
Acetonitrile (15 mL) containing calphostin D (15 mg) was irradiated by UV (8 fluorescent lamps) for 9 h. The experimental approach was same as that used for HA. Compounds **2** (6.5 mg) and **3** (1.6 mg) were isolated from the reaction mixture using HPLC (75% MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O, 1.8 mL/min).

## **5. Antimicrobial assays.**

*C. albicans* strain ATCC10231 was propagated in yeast-peptone dextrose (YPD) medium in an orbital shaker at 30 °C. *Staphylococcus aureus* ATCC6538 and *Bacillus subtilis* ATCC9372 strain were cultured in LB medium at 37 °C. The organisms were assayed in their culture conditions. One milliliter of microbial suspensions ( $2 \times 10^6$  CFUs/mL) were incubated in glass tubes with perylenequinones extracts, HA, calphostin D or their photochemical products at a serial of concentrations ranging from 0.125 to 16 µg/mL. For *C. albicans*, the mixtures were placed under a 9 W fluorescent lamp with light intensity of 10 W/m<sup>2</sup> for 20 min. For *Bacillus subtilis*, the organisms were incubated with the tested agents for 1 h in the darkness following with another 1h light irradiation.

After photodynamic treatments, aliquots of 100  $\mu\text{L}$  were taken out to determine the surviving CFUs.

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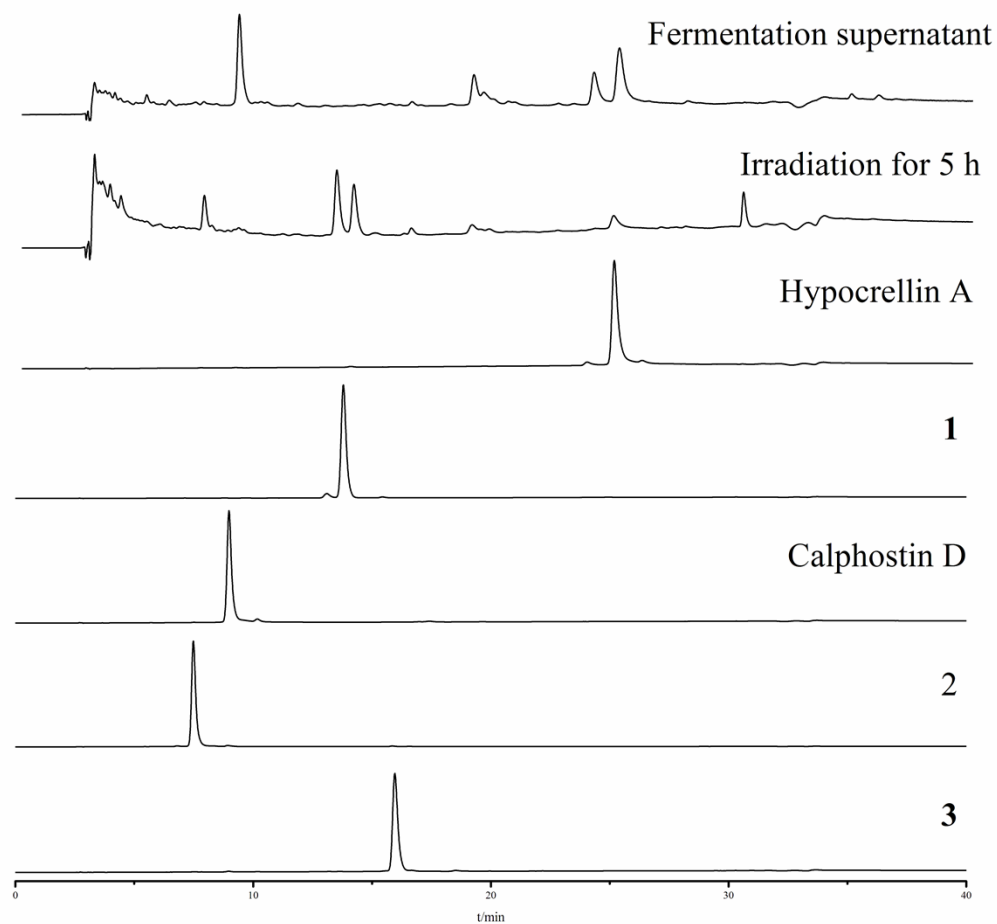


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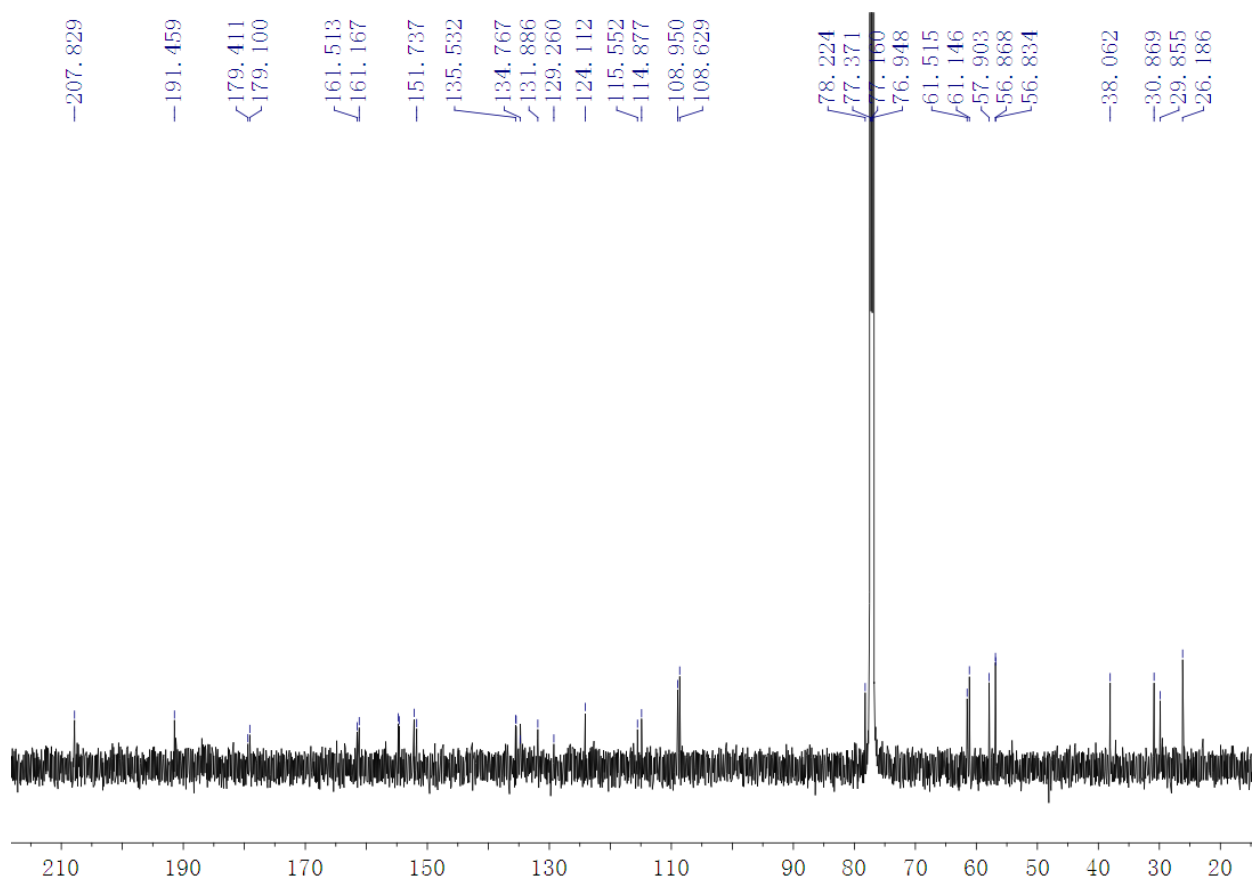
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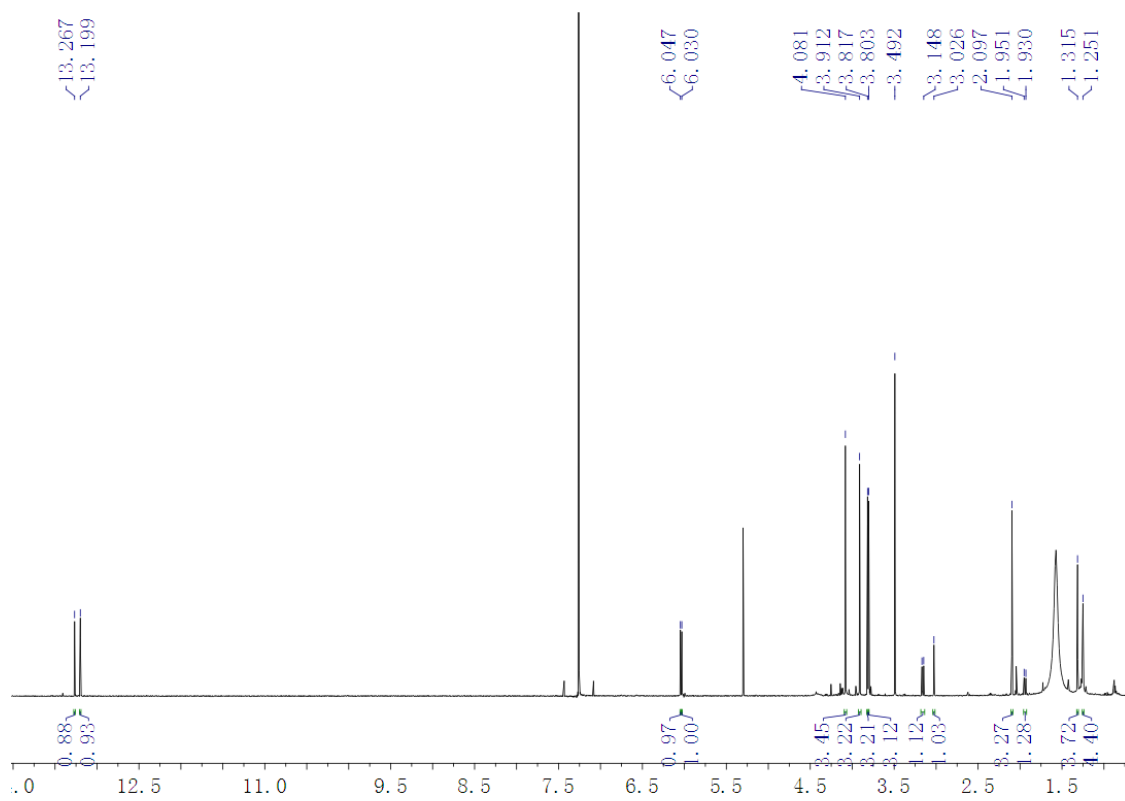




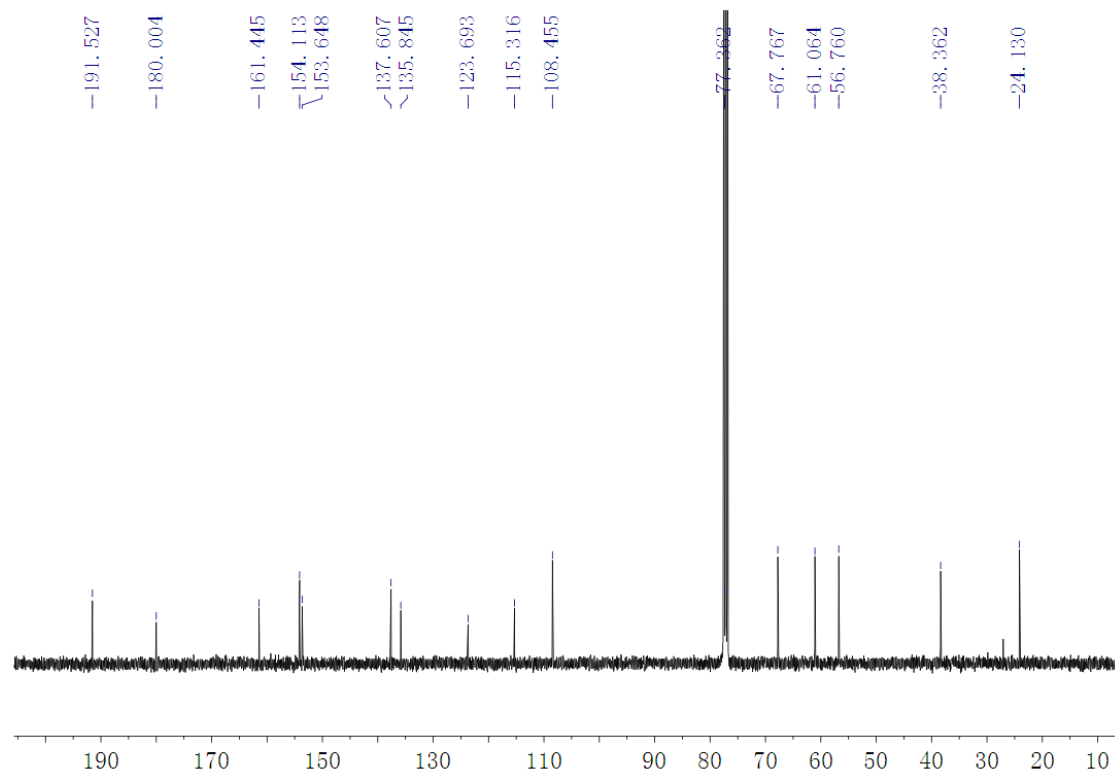
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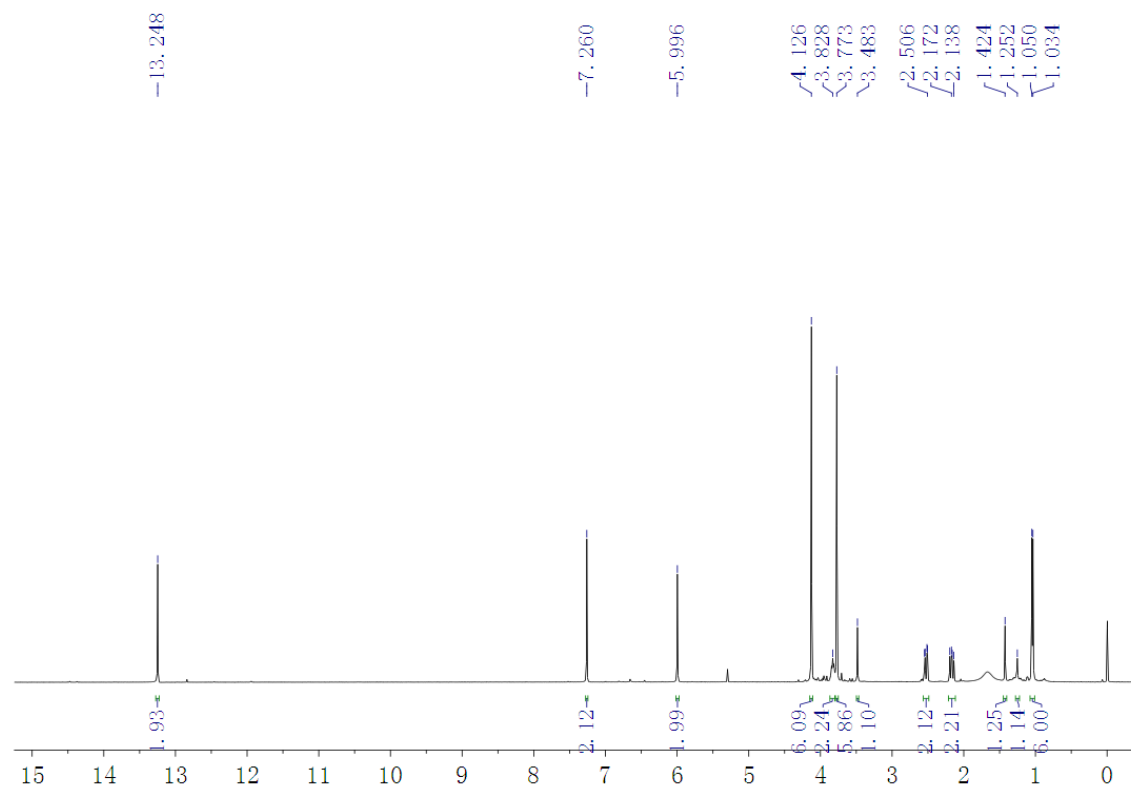
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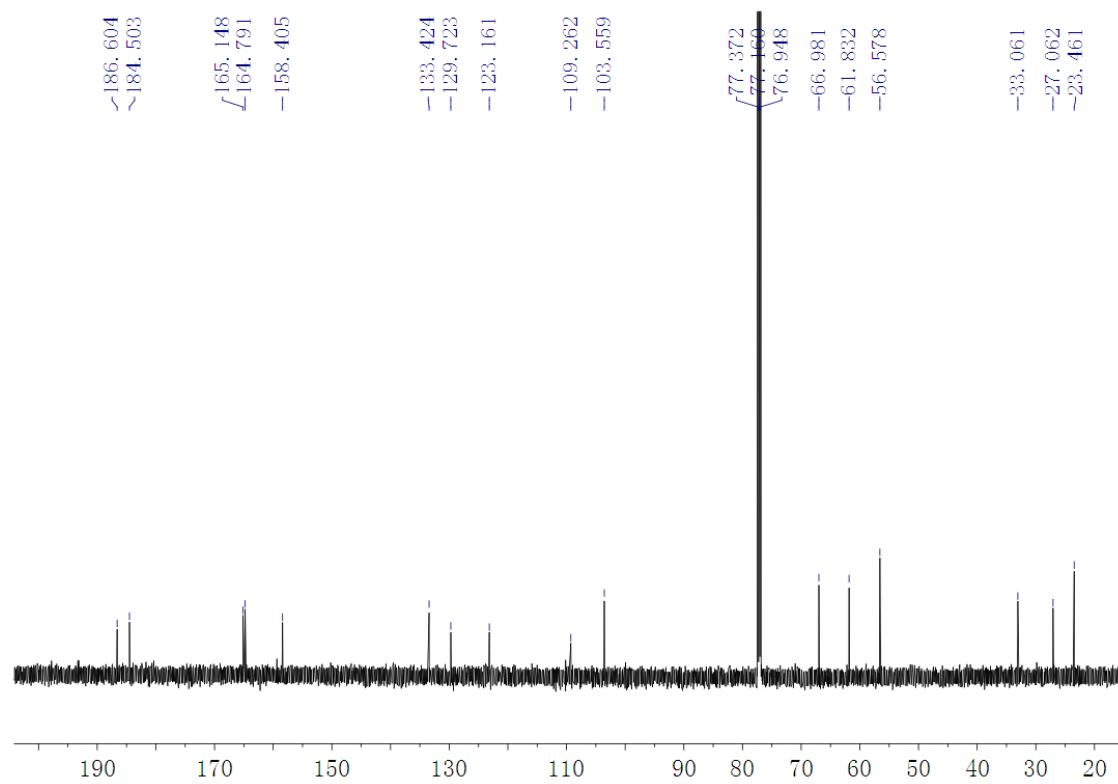
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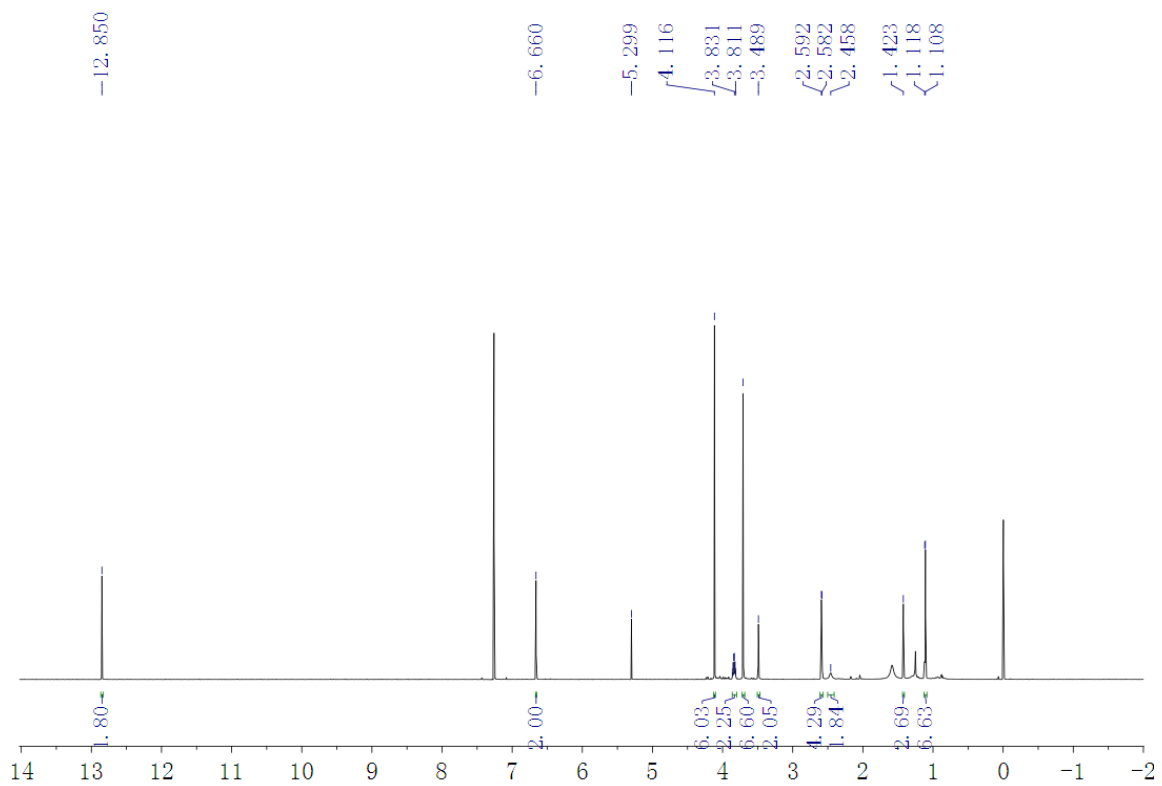
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Position	$\delta_{\text{C}}$ , type	$\delta_{\text{H}}$ , mult. ( <i>J</i> in Hz)	Position	$\delta_{\text{C}}$ , type	$\delta_{\text{H}}$ , mult. ( <i>J</i> in Hz)
1	131.9, C		11	151.7, C	
1a	135.5, C		12	134.7, C	
2	152.2, C		12a	135.4, C	
3	154.8, C		13	38.1, CH <sub>2</sub>	3.15, d (12.6)
3a	114.9, C				1.94, d (12.6)
3b	129.3, C		14	78.2, C	
4	191.5, C		15	57.9, CH	3.03, s
5	108.9, CH	6.05, s	16	26.2, CH <sub>3</sub>	1.32, s
6	161.2, C		17	207.8, C	
6a	179.3, C		18	30.9, CH <sub>3</sub>	2.10, s
7	161.5, C		2-OMe	61.5, CH <sub>3</sub>	4.08, s
7a	179.1, C		6-OMe	56.9, CH <sub>3</sub>	3.82, s
8	108.6, CH	6.03, s	7-OMe	56.8, CH <sub>3</sub>	3.80, s
9	191.2, C		11-OMe	61.1, CH <sub>3</sub>	3.91, s
9a	115.6, C		3-OH		13.20, s
9b	124.1		10-OH		13.27, s
10	154.6, C				



**Table S2**  $^1\text{H}$  (600 MHz) and  $^{13}\text{C}$  (150 MHz) NMR data for compounds **2** and **3** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

Position	<b>2</b>		<b>3</b>	
	$\delta_{\text{C}}$ , type	$\delta_{\text{H}}$ , mult. ( <i>J</i> in Hz)	$\delta_{\text{C}}$ , type	$\delta_{\text{H}}$ , mult. ( <i>J</i> in Hz)
1, 12	137.6, C		133.4, C	
1a, 12a	135.8, C		186.6, C	
2, 11	153.6, C		158.4, C	
3, 10	154.1, C		184.5, C	
3a, 9a	115.3, C		109.3, C	
3b, 9b	123.7, C		129.7, C	
4, 9	191.5, C		165.1, C	
5, 8	108.5, CH	6.00, s	103.6, CH	6.66, s
6, 7	161.4, C		164.8, C	
6a, 7a	180.0, C		123.2, C	
13, 16	38.4, CH <sub>2</sub>	2.53, dd (13.2, 3.0) 2.17, dd (13.6, 9.2)	33.1, CH <sub>2</sub>	2.58, d (6.0)
14, 17	67.8, CH	3.83, m	67.0, CH	3.83, m
15, 18	24.1, CH <sub>3</sub>	1.04, d (6.4)	23.5, CH <sub>3</sub>	1.11, d (6.0)
2-OMe, 11-OMe	61.1, CH <sub>3</sub>	4.13, s	61.8, CH <sub>3</sub>	4.12, s
6-OMe, 7-OMe	56.8, CH <sub>3</sub>	3.77, s	56.6, CH <sub>3</sub>	3.71, s
3-OH, 10-OH		13.25, s		
4-OH, 9-OH				12.85, s
14-OH, 17-OH				2.46, br. s

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