A Triple Cascade Approach Towards Diastereoselective Synthesis of Spiro *trans*-Decalinol Scaffolds.

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Experimental section

General

All reactions were carried out with dry, freshly distilled solvents in anhydrous conditions Thinlayer chromatography (TLC) was performed on silica gel plates (60F-254) using UV-light (254 and 365 nm). Flash chromatography was performed on silica gel (230–400 mesh). NMR (400 MHz for ¹H NMR, and ¹³C NMR) spectra were recorded in CDCl₃ with TMS as the internal standard. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm and coupling constants are given in Hz. Data for ¹H NMR are recorded as follows: chemical shift (ppm), multiplicity (s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quartet; m, multiplate, dd, doublet of doublet), coupling constant (Hz), integration. Data for ¹³C NMR are reported in terms of chemical shift (δ, ppm). High-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on micro mass ESI-TOF MS. Melting points were determined in a Hanon auto melting point system (MP 450). IR was recorded on FTIR with diamond Brucker Technologies.

General procedure for the synthesis of spiro *trans*-decalinol derivatives (4):

To a solution of cyclohexanone 1 (0.5 mL, 5.10 mmol) and nitrostyrene 2 (1.02 mmol) with arylidene 1,3-inedione 3 (1.12 mmol) and potassium carbonate (209mg, 1.51mmol) and *L*-proline (58mg, 0.5mmol) in methanol (2 mL) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48 hours. The reaction was monitored by using TLC till the completion of starting materials. After the completion of the reaction, the organic layer was extracted with dichloromethane, washed with brine solution and dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure crude was subjected to flash column chromatography on silica gel by eluting ethyl acetate in hexane (2-3 %) to afford the desired products **4a**.



Gram scale preparation:

To a solution of cyclohexanone 1 (3.5mL, 35.7 mmol) and nitrostyrene 2a (1g, 7.14 mmol) with benzylidene 1,3-inedione 3a (1.83g, 7.85 mmol) and potassium carbonate (1.47g, 1.5 mmol) and *L*-proline (410mg, 3.57mmol, 0.5 equiv.) in methanol (10 mL) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 48 hours. The reaction was monitored by using TLC till the completion of starting materials. After the completion of reaction, organic layer was extracted with dichloromethane, washed with brine solution and dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure. Crude was subjected to flash column chromatography on silica gel by eluting ethyl acetate in hexane (2-3 %) to afford the desired products 4a. (i.e. 1.785 g, 55% yield).



Quadruple cascade approach for the synthesis of spiro trans-decalinol 4:

To a solution of cyclohexanone **1** (50 μ L, 0.51 mmol) and nitrostyrene **2** (38mg, 0.25 mmol) with benzylidene **5** (10.6 μ L, 0.11 mmol) 1,3-inedione **6** (14.6mg, 0.1 mmol) and potassium carbonate (21mg, 1.5 mmol) and *L*-proline (3.5mg, 0.5eq) in methanol (200 μ L) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 62 hours. The reaction was monitored by using TLC till the completion of starting materials. After the completion of the reaction, the organic layer was extracted with dichloromethane, washed with brine solution and dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure crude was subjected to flash column chromatography on silica gel by eluting ethyl acetate in hexane (2-3 %) to afford the desired products **4**.



Synthetic Transformation for the product 4a to 7.

To a solution of **4a** (30mg, 0.06 mmol) with NaBH₄ (10mg, 0.24mmol) and NiCl₂.H₂O (23mg, 0.18 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane and water (2:1) at 0^0 C to room temperature for 2 hours. The reaction was monitored by using TLC till the completion of starting materials. After the completion of the reaction, the organic layer was extracted with dichloromethane, washed with brine solution and dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure crude was subjected to flash column chromatography on silica gel by eluting ethyl acetate in hexane (12-15 %) to afford the desired product **7**.



Compounds characterisation

(2'R,3'R,4'R,8a'S)-8a'-hydroxy-3'-nitro-2',4'-diphenyl-3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'octahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3-dione (4a):



White solid; Yield: 75% (0.75mmol, 365 mg); mp 170-172 °C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3508, 2931, 1731, 1691, 1587, 1549, 1256, 1159, 774.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 7.88 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 6 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (s, 2H), 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.07 (d, J = 6 Hz, 3H), 6.94 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 6.03 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 3.72-3.64 (m, 2H), 2.63 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 1.65 (t, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 1.44 (dd, J = 13.6, 11.6 Hz, 1H), 1.33-1.15 (m, 3H), 1.08-1.01 (m, 3H).

¹³**C NMR** (100MHz, CDCl₃); δ 204.8, 201.9, 143.4, 142.0, 138.7, 136.5, 136.1, 133.4, 131.0, 129.3, 128.7, 128.5, 128.3, 127.8, 125.5, 122.9, 122.8, 91.4, 74.6, 65.0, 49.0, 47.3, 43.0, 36.6, 25.3, 25.2, 20.9.

HRMS calcd. C₃₀H₂₆O₅N, 480.1811; found 480.1815 [M -H]

(2'R,3'R,4'R,8a'S)-2'-(4-bromophenyl)-8a'-hydroxy-3'-nitro-4'-phenyl-3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'-octahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3dione (4b)



white solid; Yield: 70% (0.69mmol, 390 mg); mp 160-162 $^{\circ}$ C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3517, 2925, 1725, 1686, 1589, 1548, 1489, 1368, 1350, 1271, 1250, 1141, 771, 756, 700.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 7.91 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.82-7.71 (m, 4H), 7.5-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.32-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.11-7.05 (m, 3H), 6.93 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.91 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 3.57 (s, 1H), 2.61-2.58 (m, 1H), 1.70-1.60 (m, 1H), 1.54-1.48 (m, 1H), 1.44-1.19 (m, 3H), 1.09-0.95 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 204.4, 201.7, 143.3, 141.9, 138.5, 136.8, 136.5, 132.7, 131.8, 131.0, 129.4, 129.0, 128.7, 128.3, 127.9, 125.5, 123.1, 123.0, 122.5, 91.3, 77.4, 74.7, 65.0, 48.9, 46.7, 43.0, 36.8, 25.2, 20.9.

HRMS calcd. C₃₀H₂₄O₅NBr ,558.0916; found 558.0910 [M - H]

2'-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-8a'-hydroxy-3'-nitro-4'-phenyl-3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'-octahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3-dione (4c):



White solid; Yield: 60% (0.61mmol, 338 mg); mp 220-222 °C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3525, 2937, 1941, 1730, 1589, 1549, 1495, 1475, 1271, 1197, 1137, 1107, 1057, 941, 832, 762, 700, 692, 664, 619.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 7.98 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.85-7.71 (m, 4H), 7.52-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.30-7.28 (m, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.10-7.06 (m, 2H), 6.80 (dd, J = 2, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 5.88 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 5.47 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.76-3.66 (m, 2H), 2.64-2.59 (m, 1H), 1.70-1.60 (m, 1H), 1.53-1.41 (m, 2H), 1.34-1.22 (m, 3H), 1.08-0.98 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 202.7, 202.4, 143.4, 141.9, 138.4, 136.8, 136.7, 136.2, 134.7, 131.0, 130.6, 130.3, 129.4, 129.1, 128.8, 127.9, 127.2, 125.4, 123.3, 123.1, 91.9, 77.4, 75.0, 64.3, 49.1, 43.2, 41.6, 36.3, 25.3, 25.2, 20.9

HRMS calcd. C₃₀H₂₄O₅NCl₂, 548.1032; found 548.1036 [M -H]

2'-(4-fluorophenyl)-8a'-hydroxy-3'-nitro-4'-phenyl-3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'octahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3-dione (4d):



White solid; Yield; 38% (0.37mmol, 193 mg); mp 124-126 $^{\circ}$ C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3618, 2954, 1693, 1547, 1508, 1491, 1448, 1349, 1062, 765, 640.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 7.90 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.80-7.71 (m, 2H), 7.49 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.02 (m, 6H), 6.66 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 5.99 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.94 (dd, J = 4.8, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.66-4.58 (m, 1H), 3.79-3.62 (m, 2H), 2.71-2.35 (m, 3H), 2.11-2.05 (m, 1H), 1.80-1.60 (m, 3H), 1.55-0.88 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 204.6, 201.8, 138.6, 137.8, 136.7, 136.4, 131.0, 129.4, 129.0, 128.3, 127.9, 123.0, 122.9, 115.7, 115.5, 91.5, 79.0, 74.6, 65.1, 52.6, 48.9, 46.2, 44.0, 43.0, 42.8, 36.7, 33.3, 28.6, 25.1, 20.9.

HRMS calcd. C₃₀H₂₄O₅NF, 498.1717; found 498.1711 [M-H]

2'-(4-bromophenyl)-8a'-hydroxy-3'-nitro-4'-phenyl-3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'octahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3-dione (4e):



White solid; Yield: 31% (0.30mmol, 180 mg); mp 162-164 °C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3546, 2938, 2854, 1727, 1693, 1550, 1262, 1035, 711, 630.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 7.95-7.93 (m, 1H) 7.82-7.71 (m, 4H), 7.50 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.30-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.58-6.56 (m, 1H), 5.92 (t, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.92 (d, *J* = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.66-3.58 (m, 2H), 1.67-1.60 (m, 1H), 1.47-1.37 (m, 1H), 1.31 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 1.24 (d, *J* = 13.2 Hz, 2H), 1.07-0.98 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 204.6, 201.7, 143.7, 142.1, 138.5, 136.6, 136.2, 135.6, 131.0, 129.4, 128.7, 128.1, 127.8, 126.6, 125.5, 123.1, 123.0,93.0, 74.6, 65.3, 49.1, 42.9, 42.8, 36.9, 25.2, 20.9,

HRMS calcd. C₃₀H₂₄O₅NBr ,558.0916; found 558.0911 [M-H]

8a'-hydroxy-2'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3'-nitro-4'-phenyl-3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'octahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3-dione (4f):



White solid; Yield: 30% (0.36mmol, 160 mg); mp 200-202 °C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3620, 3060, 1725, 1680, 1580, 1456, 1195, 1260, 780, 630

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 7.90 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H) 7.75-7.71 (m, 5H), 7.49 (s, 1H), 7.07-6.94 (m, 3H), 6.48 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.98 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.67-3.62 (m, 2H), 3.56 (s, 3H), 2.60 (t, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 1.67-1.64 (m, 1H), 1.48-1.38 (m, 4H), 1.05-0.95 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 205.0, 202.1, 159.2, 143.5, 142.1, 138.8, 136.5, 136.2, 131.0, 129.3, 128.7, 127.7, 125.5, 125.4, 123.0, 122.9, 113.9, 91.8, 77.4, 74.6, 65.3, 55.1, 49.0, 46.6, 43.0, 36.7, 29.8, 26.8, 25.3, 25.2, 20.9.

HRMS calcd. $C_{31}H_{28}O_6N$, 510.1917; found 510.1912[M-H]

8a'-hydroxy-2'-(3-methoxyphenyl)-3'-nitro-4'-phenyl-3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'octahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3-dione (4g):



white solid; Yield: 60% (0.56mmol,295 mg); mp 198-200 °C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3621, 3059, 2935, 1726, 1689, 1546, 1491, 1264, 1047, 988, 780, 701, 630.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3); δ 7.89 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.77-7.66 (m, 4H), 7.49 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.30-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.07 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (t, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (dd, J = 2, 2 Hz, 1H), 6.00 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.73-3.46 (m, 5H), 2.66-2.60 (m, 1H), 1.69-1.61 (m, 1H), 1.54-1.27 (m, 4H), 1.07-0.97 (m, 3H), 0.94-0.85 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 204.8, 201.9, 159.3, 143.5, 142.0, 138.7, 136.5, 136.1, 134.9, 131.0, 129.6, 129.3, 128.7, 127.8, 125.6, 122.9, 114.2, 91.4, 77.4, 74.6, 64.9, 55.2, 49.1, 47.4, 43.0, 36.6, 31.7, 25.3, 25.2, 22.7, 20.9, 14.2.

HRMS calcd. C₃₁H₂₈O₆N, 510.1917; found 510.1911[M-H]

8a'-hydroxy-2'-(naphthalen-1-yl)-3'-nitro-4'-phenyl-3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'octahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3-dione (4h):



yellow solid; Yield; 51% (0.54mmol, 272 mg); mp 200-202°C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹)3485, 2931, 2855, 1725, 1690, 1549, 1352, 1266, 1060, 982, 777, 702, 637.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 8.31 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.49 (m, 4H), 7.43-7.28 (m, 4H), 7.00 (t, J = 8 Hz, 2H), 6.14 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (s, 1H), 3.91 (s, 1H), 3.79 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 1.73-1.69 (m, 1H), 1.61-1.47 (m, 1H), 1.35-1.24 (m, 4H), 1.14-1.05 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 204.4, 202.5, 143.7, 141.8, 138.8, 136.4, 136.0, 135.3, 134.0, 131.7, 131.0, 130.0, 129.4, 129.0, 128.7, 128.4, 127.8, 126.7, 126.5, 125.9, 125.8, 125.6, 125.3, 124.5, 123.7, 123.0, 122.8, 122.8, 92.6, 75.2, 64.9, 49.7, 43.2, 40.1, 36.3, 25.4, 25.3, 21.0.

HRMS calcd. C₃₄H₂₈NO₅, 530.1968; found 530.1962 [M-H]

8a'-hydroxy-3'-nitro-4'-phenyl-2'-(p-tolyl)-3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'octahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3-dione (4i):



White solid; Yield: 50% (0.59mmol, 254 mg); mp 218-220 °C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3517, 2950, 2851, 1729, 1692, 1593, 1549, 1256, 1139, 1041, 990, 754, 705, 628.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 7.89 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.7-7.6 (m, 4H), 7.52-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.29-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.06 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.74 (d, J = 8 Hz, 2H), 6.00 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.56 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.70-3.62 (m, 2H), 2.64-2.58 (m, 1H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.69-1.61 (m, 1H), 1.57-1.20 (m, 4H), 1.07-0.99 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 204.9, 202.0, 143.5, 142.1, 138.8, 137.9, 136.5, 136.1, 131.0, 130.3, 129.3, 129.2, 128.7, 127.7, 125.6, 122.9, 122.9, 91.6, 77.4, 74.6, 65.1, 49.0, 47.0, 43.1, 36.7, 25.3, 25.2, 20.9, 20.9.

HRMS calcd. C₃₁H₂₇NO₅, 494.1968; found 494.1962 [M-H]

2'-(4-(benzyloxy)phenyl)-8a'-hydroxy-3'-nitro-4'-phenyl-3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'-octahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3-dione (4j):



Yellow solid; Yield: 27% (0.27mmol, 160 mg); mp 192-194 °C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3531, 2920, 2871, 1730, 1693, 1545, 1356, 1251, 1166, 1142, 1031, 765, 631.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3); δ 7.89 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.78-7.69 (m, 4H), 7.52-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.35-7.26 (m, 8H), 7.08 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.99 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (s, 2H), 4.55 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.68-3.62 (m, 2H), 2.64-2.58 (m, 1H), 1.68 (m, 1H), 1.48-1.38 (m, 2H), 1.32-1.20 (m, 3H), 1.07-0.99 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 205.0, 202.1, 158.5, 143.5, 142.1, 138.8, 136.6, 136.5, 136.1, 131.0, 129.3, 128.7, 128.6, 128.0, 127.7, 127.5, 125.7, 125.5, 123.0, 122.9, 114.9, 91.7, 74.6,69.8, 65.3, 49.0, 46.7, 43.0, 36.7, 25.3, 25.2, 20.9

HRMS calcd. C₃₇H₃₃NO₆, 605.2414; found 605.2637 [M + H₂O]

4'-(4-bromophenyl)-8a'-hydroxy-3'-nitro-2'-phenyl 3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'-octahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3-dione (4k)

White solid; Yield: 72% (0.73mmol, 410 mg); mp 190-192 °C



IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3501, 2937, 2851, 1731, 1691, 1547, 1250, 1072, 989, 771, 699, 633.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 7.88 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.76-7.62 (m, 5H), 7.38 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.0-6.94 (m, 5H), 5.99 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.71-3.62 (m, 2H), 2.61-2.55 (m, 1H), 1.71-1.54 (m, 2H), 1.48-1.22 (m, 3H), 1.11-0.97 (m, 3H).

¹³CNMR (100MHz, CDCl₃); δ 204.6, 201.1, 143.4, 142.0, 137.8, 136.6, 136.2, 133.2, 132.6, 131.8, 138.6, 138.4, 137.4, 133.0, 122.9, 121.7, 91.1, 74.5, 64.9, 48.5, 47.3, 43.0, 36.6, 29.8, 25.2, 25.2, 20.9

HRMS calcd. C₃₀H₂₄NBrO₅,558.0916; found 558.0910 [M -H]

8a'-hydroxy-3'-nitro-2'-phenyl-4'-(p-tolyl)-3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'octahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3-dione (4l)



White solid; Yield; 57% (0.58mmol, 290 mg); mp 190-192 °C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3609, 2933, 2857, 1730, 1693, 1549, 1367, 1351, 1256, 990, 817, 763, 699, 632, 615.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 7.88 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.76-7.61 (m, 4H), 7.31-7.29 (m, 1H), 7.05-6.91 (m, 7H), 6.02 (t, J =11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.71-3.59 (m, 2H), 2.60 (m, 1H), 2.33-2.31 (m, 3H), 1.68-1.65 (m, 1H), 1.44-1.40 (m, 1H), 1.32-1.21 (m, 3H), 1.10-1.00 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 204.9, 201.9, 143.4, 142.0, 137.3, 136.5, 136.1, 136.6, 132.2, 129.3, 128.5, 128.3, 125.3, 122.9, 122.8, 91.5, 74.7, 65.1, 48.6, 47.4, 43.1, 36.1, 25.3, 25.2, 21.3, 21.0

HRMS calcd. C₃₁H₂₇NO₅,494.1968; found 494.1962 [M -H]

8a'-hydroxy-4'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3'-nitro-2'-phenyl-3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'-octahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3-dione (4m):



white solid; Yield; 47% (0.47mmol, 245 mg);-mp 198-200°C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3516, 2931, 2849, 1734, 1693, 1545, 1511, 1454, 1250, 1181, 988, 765, 696.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 7.88 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.76-7.63 (m, 3H), 7.05-6.89 (m, 7H), 6.76 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (t, J =11.2 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.82-3.76 (m, 3H), 3.70 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (t, J = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 1.69-1.64 (m, 1H), 1.44-1.37 (m, 1H), 1.33-1.21 (m, 4H), 1.11-1.01 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 204.9, 201.9, 159.1, 143.4, 142.0, 136.5, 136.1, 133.5, 131.9, 130.6, 128.5, 128.3, 126.5, 122.9, 122.8, 115.5, 113.2, 91.5, 80.3, 74.7, 65.1, 55.3, 48.2, 47.4, 43.2, 36.6, 31.7, 25.3, 25.2, 22.8, 21.0, 14.2.

HRMS calcd. C₃₁H₂₉NO₆, 510.1917; found 510.1917 [M -H]

8a'-hydroxy-4'-(3-methoxyphenyl)-3'-nitro-2'-phenyl-3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'-octahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3-dione (4n):



White solid; Yield; 35% (0.35mmol, 180 mg);-mp 192-194 °C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3690, 2937, 2857, 1730, 1693, 1548, 1352, 1253, 1044, 988, 701, 634.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 7.88 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.76-7.64 (m, 3H), 7.33 (m, J = 7.6, 1H), 7.01-6.79 (m, 6H), 6.68 (d, J = 7.2, 1H), 6.02 (dd, J = 12,11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (s, 1H), 3.79-3.58 (m, 4H), 2.62 (t, J = 11.6 1H), 1.72-1.62 (m, 1H), 1.49-1.40 (m, 1H), 1.33-1.21 (m, 3H), 1.12-1.00 (m, 3H), 0.88 (t, J = 6.4 1H).

¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 204.8, 201.8, 160.4, 159.9, 143.4, 142.0, 140.4, 136.5, 136.1, 133.4, 130.3, 129.6, 128.5, 128.3, 123.6, 122.9, 122.8, 117.7, 117.0, 113.0, 112.6, 111.4, 91.3, 91.2, 74.6, 65.0, 65.4, 65.2, 53.5, 49.3, 48.8, 47.4, 43.1, 36.6, 31.7, 35.3, 25.2, 20.9, 14.2

HRMS calcd. C₃₁H₂₉NO₆, 510.1917; found 510.1917 [M -H]

4-(8a'-hydroxy-3'-nitro-1,3-dioxo-2'-phenyl-1,3,3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'-decahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalen]-4'-yl) benzonitrile(4o):



white solid; Yield; 31% (0.31mmol, 160 mg); mp 210-212 °C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3499, 2950, 2853, 2228, 1735, 1693, 1548,1253, 1141, 990, 836, 772, 700, 632, 614.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 7.89 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.80-7.72 (m, 2H), 7.70-7.66 (m, 2H), 7.56 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.00-6.94 (m, 5H), 6.02 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 4.60 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 3.79-3.73 (m, 2H), 6.65 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 1.69-1.61 (m, 1H), 1.52-1.41 (m, 1H), 1.35-1.25 (m, 4H), 1.07-0.95 (m, 3H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 204.4, 201.9, 144.5, 143.3, 142.0, 136.6, 136.3, 133.1, 132.9, 132.7, 131.7, 128.7, 128.7, 126.7, 123.0, 123.0, 118.7, 111.9, 90.8, 74.4, 64.8, 49.2, 47.2, 42.9, 36.5, 25.2, 25.1, 20.8

HRMS calcd. C₃₁H₂₆N₂O₆, 505.1764; found 505.1766 [M -H]

4'-(4-(benzyloxy)phenyl)-8a'-hydroxy-3'-nitro-2'-phenyl 3',4',4a',5',6',7',8',8a'-octahydro-2'H-spiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3dione)(4p):



White solid; Yield: 27% (0.40mmol, 160 mg); mp 188-190 °C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3505, 2930, 2851, 1731, 1694, 1549, 1376, 1252, 1176, 1143, 1032, 767, 632.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3); δ 7.89 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.77-7.70 (m, 4H), 7.49 (t, J = 6.8 1H), 7.33-7.24 (m, 5H), 7.07 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 6.99-6.94 (m, 2H), 6.55 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.99 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H),4.79 (s, 2H) 4.55 (d, J = 12, 1H), 3.68-3.62 (m, 1H), 2.62 (t, J = 11.6, 1H), 1.68-1.61 (m, 1H), 1.48-1.20 (m, 4H), 1.07-0.85 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃); δ 205.0, 202.1, 158.5, 143.5, 142.1, 138.8, 136.6, 136.5, 136.1, 131.0, 129.3, 128.7, 128.6, 128.0, 127.7, 127.5, 125.7, 125.5, 123.0, 122.9, 114.9, 91.7, 74.6,69.8, 65.3, 49.0, 46.7, 43.0, 36.7, 25.3, 25.2, 20.9

HRMS calcd. C₃₇H₃₃NO₆, 605.2414; found 605.2637 [M + H₂O]

3'-nitro-2',4'-diphenyl-1,2',3,3',4',4a',5',6',7',8'-decahydro-8a'Hspiro[indene-2,1'-naphthalene]-1,3,8a'-triol (7):



Yellow solid; Yield; 52% (0.03mmol, 17 mg); mp 168-170 °C

IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3398, 3278, 2924, 2852, 1729, 1691, 1256, 1118, 871, 699, 612.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3); δ 16.95 (s, 1H), 7.51 (t, J = 7.2, 1H), 7.44-7.40 (m, 1H), 7.33-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.18-7.15 (m, 7H), 7.10-7.08 (m, 2H), 4.93 (d, J = 8.8, Hz, 1H), 4.10 (s, 1H), 3.76 (d, J = 9.6, 1H), 3.48 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.18-3.14 (m, 1H), 2.36-2.32 (m,1H), 2.19 (s, 1H), 1.90 (s, 1H), 1.76 (d, J = 14, Hz, 1H), 1.50 (s, 1H), 1.41-1.29 (m, 1H), 1.25-1.12 (m, 2H), 1.05-0.91 (m, 1H).

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz); δ 157.68, 138.7, 134.8, 129.8,129.0, 128.9, 128.5, 127.4, 127.2, 118.3, 109.5, 78.0, 49.8, 37.4, 30.7, 23.2, 23.0, 22.7

HRMS calcd. C₂₄H₁₆O₄Na, 484.2124; found 484.1663 [M-H]



¹H NMR of Compound 4a







DEPT-135 NMR of Compound 4a



D₂O Exchange of compound 4a

VARIAN 400MHz NMR Solvent: CDCl3 Date:Feb 13 2021

Sample code:EXP-P-275-US-D20_Exch



¹H NMR of Compound **4b**



¹³C NMR of Compound 4b



¹H NMR of Compound 4c



¹³C NMR of Compound 4c



¹H NMR of Compound **4d**



¹³C NMR of Compound 4d



¹H NMR of Compound **4e**

Sample code:UN-3

VARIAN 400MHz NMR

Solvent: CDC13 Date:Feb 8 2022



¹³C NMR of Compound 4e



¹H NMR of Compound 4f

Sample code:307 1H NMR VIGNAN'S UNIVERSITY VARIAN 400MHz NMR Solvent: CDC13 Date:Nov 22 2021



¹³C NMR of Compound **4f**



¹H NMR of Compound 4g

Sample code:314 1H NMR VIGNAN'S UNIVERSITY VARIAN 400MHz NMR Solvent: CDC13 Date:Nov 22 2021





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¹³C NMR of Compound **4h**



¹H NMR of Compound 4i



¹³C NMR of Compound 4i



¹H NMR of Compound **4**j





¹H NMR of Compound 4k



¹³C NMR of Compound 4k



¹H NMR of Compound **4**l

Sample code:325 1H NMR VIGNAN'S UNIVERSITY VARIAN 400MHz NMR Solvent: CDC13 Date:Feb 23 2022



¹³C NMR of Compound 4l



 $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR of Compound $4\mathrm{m}$



¹³C NMR of Compound **4m**



¹H NMR of Compound **4n**







¹H NMR of Compound 40



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¹H NMR of Compound 4p







 1 H NMR of the compound 7



¹³C NMR of the compound 7



<u>Figure caption</u>: ORTEP diagram of **4a** compound with the atom-numbering. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radius. The asymmetric unit contains two molecules of 4a compound; however, only one is shown in the ORTEP picture for clarity purpose. CCDC contains (i.e., 2131336) the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper which can be obtained free of charge at <u>https://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/structures/</u>

Crystal data for 4a: C₃₀H₂₇N₁O₅, *M* = 481.52, Orthorhombic, space group *P*2₁2₁2₁ (No.19), *a* = 12.039(2)Å, *b* = 18.483(3)Å, *c* = 22.273(4)Å, *α* = 90°, *β* = 90°, *γ* = 90°, *V* = 4956.2(15)Å³, *Z* = 8, *D*_c = 1.291 g/cm³, *F*₀₀₀ = 2032, Bruker D8 QUEST PHOTON-100, Mo-Kα radiation, $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å, *T* = 100(2)K, 2θ_{max} = 52°, $\mu = 0.088$ mm⁻¹, 54146 reflections collected, 9740 unique (R_{int} = 0.1113), 655 parameters, *RI* = 0.0543, *wR2* =0.0983, *R* indices based on 7146 reflections with I > 2σ(I) (refinement on *F*²), Final *GooF* = 1.005, largest difference hole and peak = -0.261 and 0.214 e.Å⁻³.

Data collection and Structure solution details: Single crystal X-ray data for **4a** compound were collected at room temperature on a Bruker D8 QUEST equipped with a four-circle kappa diffractometer, Photon 100 detector and an Iµs microfocus Mo source (\Box =0.71073Å) from a multi-mirror monochromatic incident beam. Oxford cryostat was used for the low temperature data collection. A combination of Phi and Omega scans were used to collect the necessary data and unit cell dimensions were determined using7963reflections. Integration and scaling of

intensity data were accomplished using SAINT program.¹ The structures were solved by Direct Methods using SHELXS97² and refinement was carried out by full-matrix least-squares technique using SHELXL-2018/3.²⁻³ Anisotropic displacement parameters were included for all non-hydrogen atoms. All H atoms were positioned geometrically and treated as riding on their parent C atoms, with C-H distances of 0.93--0.97 Å, and with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}$ (C) or $1.5U_{eq}$ for methyl atoms. The O bound H atoms have been located from the difference Fourier map and their positions were refined. CCDC deposition number (i.e., 2131336) contains the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper which can be obtained free of charge at <u>https://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/structures/</u>

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