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Isolation and Total Synthesis of Dysidone A: A New Piperidone

Alkaloid from the Marine Sponge *Dysidea* sp.

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Procedure for the total synthesis and analytical data of related compounds:



1-(4-methoxybenzyl) piperidine (1a): Dissolve piperidine (1.7 g, 20 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and *N*, *N*-diisopropylethylamine (3.88 g, 30 mmol, 1.5 equiv) in dichloromethane, the solution was stirred at 0 °C for 5 min, and p-methoxybenzyl chloride (3.13 g, 20 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was then added and resulting the solution was reacted at room temperature for 12 h. The resulting reaction solution was washed with saturated brine, and the aqueous layer was extracted three times with dichloromethane, the organic layer was dried over anhydrous. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum / ethyl acetate = 15:1) to afford the *N*-(4-methoxybenzyl) piperidine (3.7 g, 72.8 mmoL, 90.9 %) as a white liquid. Physical properties and spectroscopic data in accordance with the literature 1¹. m.p, 182-183 °C. ¹H NMR (300M, CDCl₃): δ 7.22 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.41 (s, 2H), 2.35 (s, 4H), 1.56 (m, 4H), 1.47-1.30 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.5, 130.5, 130.4, 113.4, 63.2, 55.2, 54.3, 26.0, 24.4; HRESIMS *m/z*: 206.1535 [M + H] + (calcd for C₁₃H₂₀NO, 206.1539).



1-(4-Methoxybenzyl) piperidine-2,3-dione (1b): To a solution of **1a** (0.25 g, 1.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (80 mL) was added PIDA (0.77 g, 2.4 mmol, 2.0 equiv) and I₂ (0.61 g, 1.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv), and the reaction mixture was at RT for 6 h. PIDA and then additional PIDA (0.39 g) was added for another 12 hours. then the reaction was quenched with saturated sodium thiosulfate (48 mL), extracted with EtOAc, dried over Na₂SO₄. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum / ethyl acetate = 5:1) to afford (0.13 g, 45.6 %) of **1b** as a white liquid. Physical properties and spectroscopic data in accordance with the literature 2². m.p. 108-109 °C; ¹H NMR (300M, CDCl₃): δ 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 4.53 (s, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.38 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.08-2.00 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 191.7, 159.2, 157.7, 129.7, 127.6, 114.0, 55.1, 50.3, 46.4, 38.4, 21.5. HRESIMS *m/z*: 234.1129 [M + H] + (calcd for C₁₃H₁₆NO₃ 234.1125).



Ethyl (*Z*)-2-[1-[(4-methoxybenzyl) methyl]-2-oxo-3-piperidinylidene] acetate (1c): Dissolve NaH (0.08 g, 3.2 mmol, 1.6 equiv) in dry DMF (10 mL), the solution was stirred at 0 °C, and triethylphosphonoacetate (0.673 g, 3.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was then added. 15 minutes later, **1b** (0.466 g, 2.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in THF and added dropwise to the mixture reaction and resulting the solution was reacted at RT for 12 h. TLC followed the reaction. Upon stirring for 12 h, the reaction was quenched with water and extracted with DCM, dried over Na₂SO₄. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, petroleum / ethyl acetate = 1:1) to afford (0.23 g, 76.0 %) of **1c** as a white liquid. Analytical data for **1c**: m.p, 166-167 °C; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.85 (s, 1H), 4.41 (s, 2H), 4.16 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.10 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 3.39 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 1.75-1.67 (m, 2H), 1.20 (t, *J* = 7.1, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.6, 161.8, 158.6, 135.2, 129.2, 128.4, 128.5, 113.5, 60.4, 54.8, 49.2, 46.5, 29.7, 22.2, 13.7. HRESIMS *m/z*: 304.1537 [M + H] ⁺ (calcd for C₁₇H₂₂NO₄ 304.1543).



Dysidone B (1d): To a solution of **1c** (0.21 g, 0.7 mmoL, 1.0 equiv) in *t*-Butanol and water mixture (4:1 volume ratio), added cerium ammonium nitrate (0.15 g, 0.9 mmoL, 1.3 equiv) to the reaction mixture. The mixture was stirred at RT for 1 h and then diluted with 10 % NaCl, extracted with EtOAc, dried over Na₂SO₄. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (silica gel, ethyl acetate = 0:100) to afford (0.06 g, 43.0 %) of **1d** as a white liquid. Analytical data for **1d**: m.p. 168-169 °C; ¹H NMR (300M, CDCl₃): δ 6.86 (s, 1H), 5.97 (s, 1H), 4.23 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.35-3.30 (m, 2H), 2.56-2.52(m, 2H), 1.92-1.83(m, 2H), 1.29 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (75MHz, CDCl₃): δ 168.0, 164.1, 134.7, 127.4, 60.9, 42.1, 29.8, 22.6, 13.9; HRESIMS *m/z*: 184.0962 [M + H] ⁺ (calcd for C₉H₁₄NO₃ 184.0968).



Synthetic dysidone A (1): Dissolved **1d** (0.13 g, 0.7 mmoL, 1.0 equiv) in dry dichloromethane (3 mL), under nitrogen atmosphere was added, then dissolve diisobutylaluminum hydride (1 mL) in dry dichloromethane (1 mL), then the temperature was lowered to -78 °C. TLC followed the reaction. H₂O, 1M sodium hydroxide and water in sequence, with an interval of 17 seconds between each addition, the mixture was diluted with H₂O, extracted with CH₂Cl₂, dried over Na₂SO₄. The residue was purified by HPLC (3 mL/min, MeOH: H₂O = 10: 90, 210 nm) to afford (0.09 g, 78.0 %) of **1** as a light-yellow oil. Analytical data for **1**: m.p., 170-171 °C; ¹H NMR (300M, CDCl₃): δ 6.19 (m, 1H), 5.98 (brs, 1H), 4.33 (d, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 3.38 (m, 2H), 2.53 (m, 2H), 1.88 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.1, 141.6, 130.8, 59.4, 42.7, 31.9, 22.9; HRESIMS *m/z*: 164.0684 [M + Na] + (calcd for C₇H₁₁NO₂Na, 164.0687).

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Figure S1 UV spectrum of natural dysidone A (1) in CDCl₃



Figure S2 IR spectrum of natural dysidone A (1) in CDCl₃

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Figure S3 HRESIMS spectrum of natural dysidone A (1) in CDCl₃



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Figure S7 HSQC spectrum of natural dysidone A (1) in CDCl_3



Figure S9 NOESY spectrum of natural dysidone A (1) in CDCl₃



Figure S11 $^{\rm 13}{\rm C}$ NMR spectra of natural and synthetic 1 in CDCl_3