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Proto daphnyphillane

Methyl Homosecodaphnyphillate

Secondaphnyphillane

These alkaloids are squalene derived natural products

Tetrahedron **1972**, 28, 1477, *Chem. Lett.* **1976**, 1381.





Structural Challenges



Methyl Homosecodaphnyphillate

- This molecule was isolated from the bark & leaves of Yuzuriha
- It was used for the treatment of asthma
- In 1971, Sasaki and Hirata disclosed the correct structure of this compound by X-ray

Isolation: *Tetrahedron* **1972**, 28, 1477.

- > Highly congested pentacyclic skeleton
- > There are 8 stereogenic centers
- Two contiguous quaternary centers



Total Synthesis of Methylhomosecodaphnyphillate









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