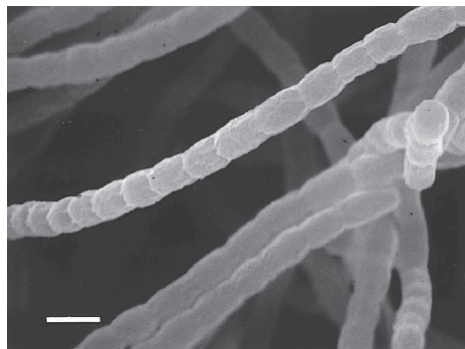


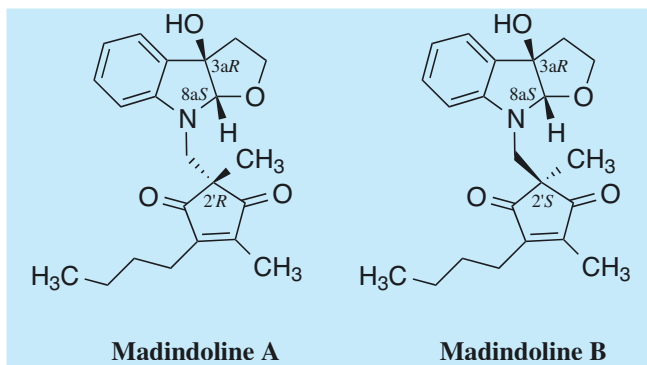
Madindoline [©]

1. Discovery, producing organism and structures^{1,2)}

Madindolines were isolated from the culture broth of *Streptomyces nitrosporeus* strain K93-0711 and found to be selective growth inhibitors of IL-6-dependent cells (MH-60)¹⁾. Madindoline B (3aR, 8aS, 2'S) is a stereoisomer of madindoline A (3aR, 8aS, 2'R)^{2,3)}.



Streptomyces nitrosporeus K93-0711

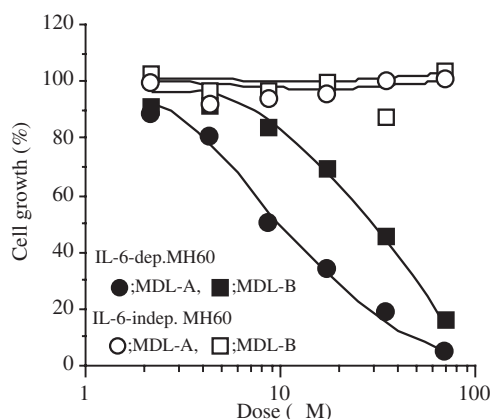


2. Physical data (Madindoline A)²⁾

Light yellow needles. C₂₂H₂₇NO₄; mol wt 370.20. Sol. in MeOH, EtOH, CHCl₃. Insol. in hexane.

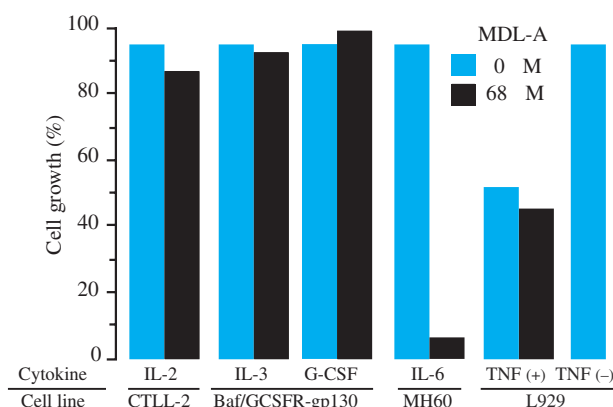
3. Biological activity¹⁾

1) Growth inhibition of the IL-6-dependent MH60 cells
Madindolines A and B (MDL-A, B) showed potent growth inhibitory activity against IL-6 dependent MH60 cells with IC₅₀ values of 8 and 30 μM, respectively. Madindolines did not show anti-microbial or cytotoxic activity at 1000 μg/ml and 100 μg/ml, respectively.



2) Selectivity of madindoline A

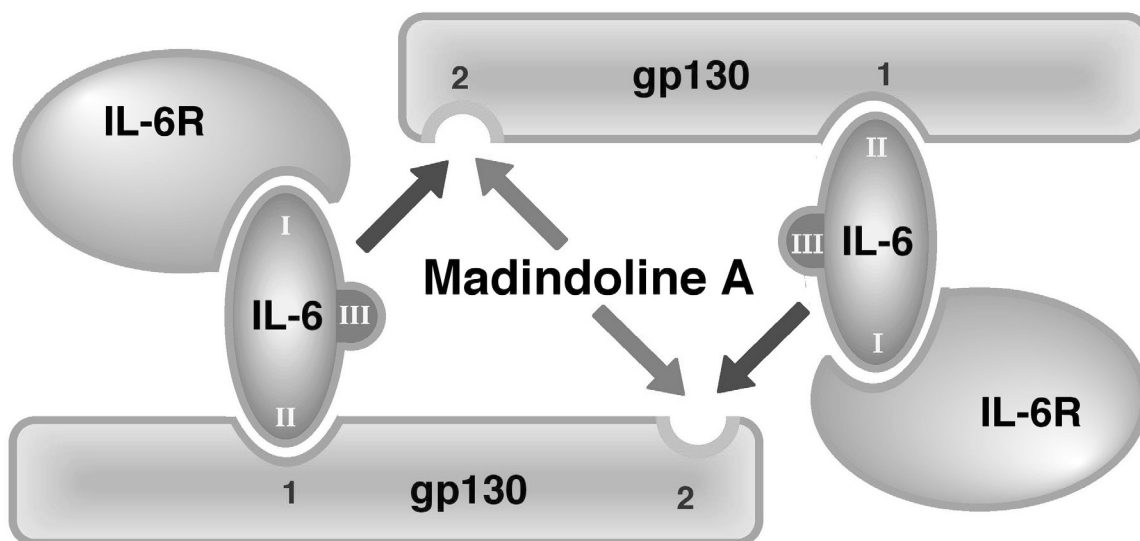
Selectivity against some cytokines was examined in cytokine-dependent or -sensitive cell lines. MDL-A inhibited growth of IL-6 dependent MH60 cells at 68 μM, but did not influence other cytokine activity.



3) Inhibitory mechanism of madindoline A⁵⁾

IL-6 has three topological binding sites (sites I, II, and III), and gp130 has two binding sites (sites 1 and 2)(29, 30); IL-6 first binds to the IL-6 receptor (IL-6R) at site I, IL-6 then binds to site I of the first gp130 at site II, forming a trimeric IL-6/IL-6R/gp130 complex. The trimeric complex then induces homodimerization of gp130 and forms a hexameric complex, activating the JAK/STAT signal transduction cascade.

MDL-A binds to gp130 and inhibits actions of IL-6 without inhibiting formation of the trimeric complex. Therefore, the MDL-A mechanism of action involves binding to gp130 site 2, the site for IL-6 site III, and inhibiting gp130 homodimerization, resulting in inhibition of IL-6 activity.

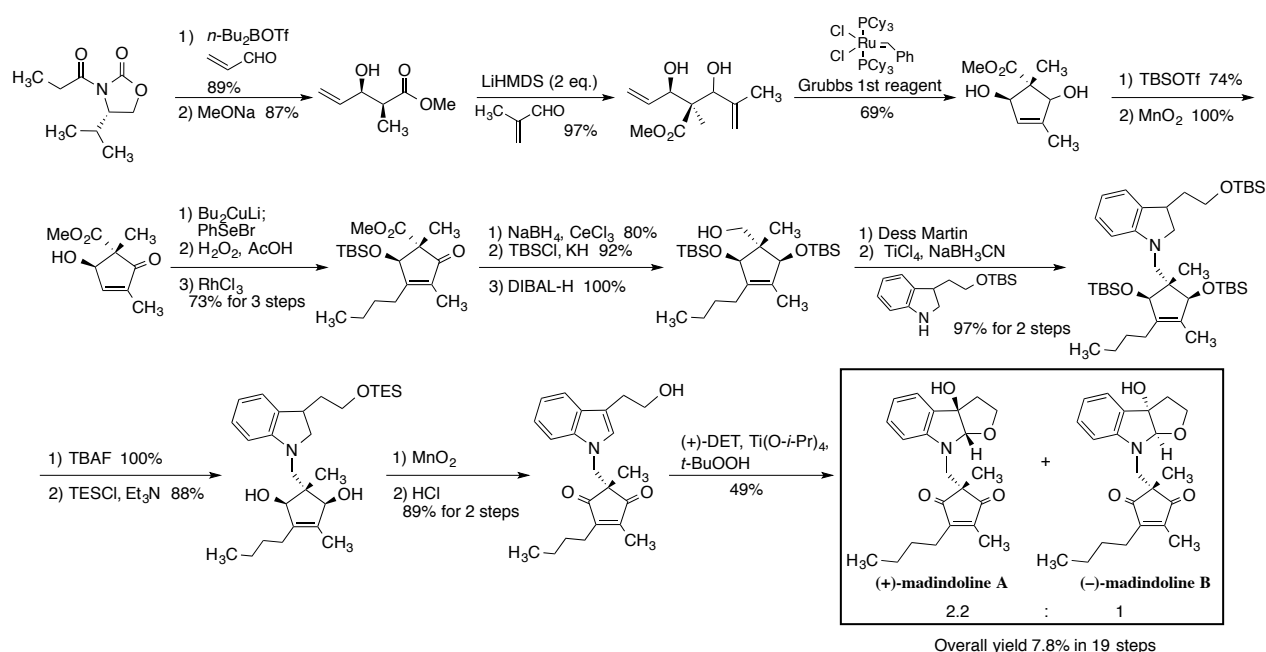


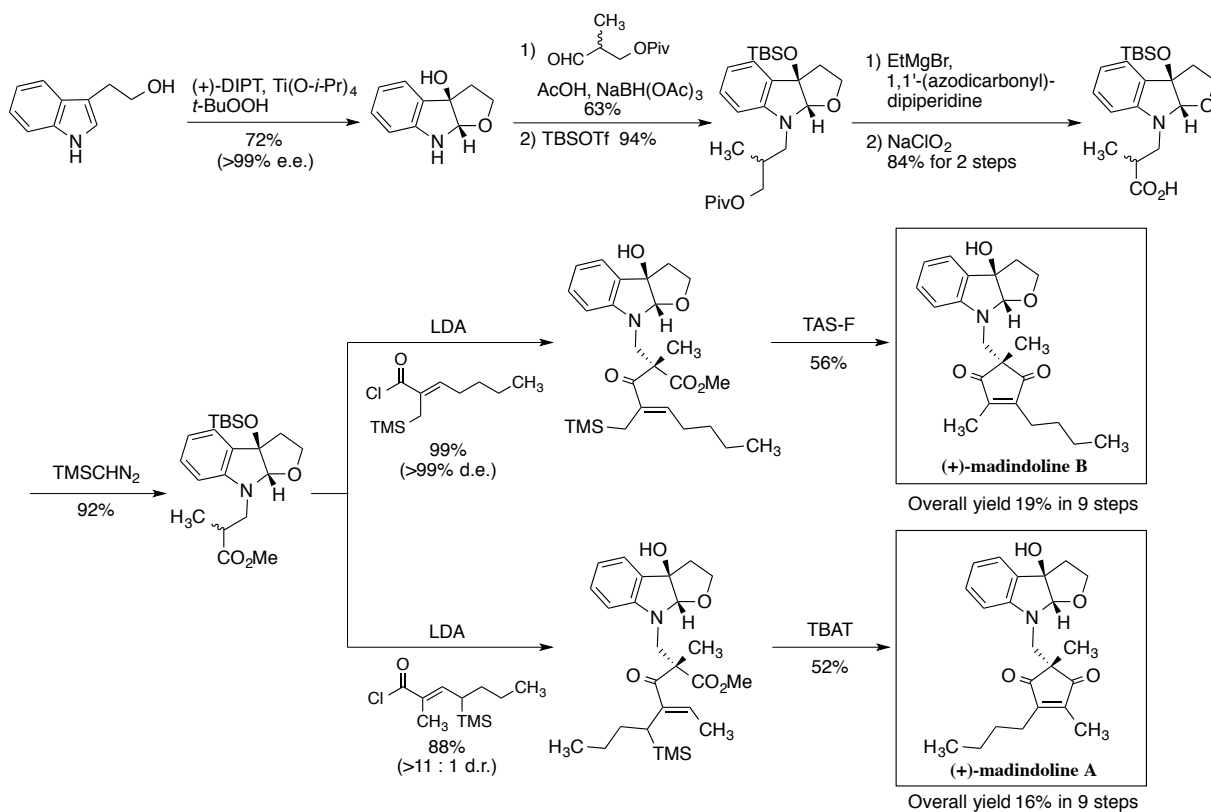
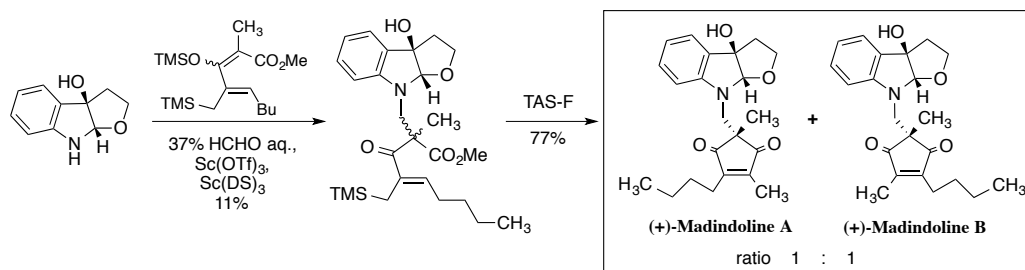
4. Madindoline A is commercially available as biological reagent.

5. Total synthesis

The total syntheses of madindolines have been reported by several groups. Below are three schemes achieved by Ōmura's group (See Appendix-I).

1) First total synthesis^{3,6)}



2) Second total synthesis^{4,6)}3) Third total synthesis⁷⁾

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