Madreporanone, a unique diterpene with a novel skeleton from Azorella madreporica

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A unique diterpene 1, was isolated from the altiplane Andean plant Azorella madreporica Clos (Apiaceae). The structure and stereochemistry were established by spectral methods and molecular mechanics calculations. The compound possesses a novel hydrocarbon skeleton for which we suggest the name madreporane. © 2002 Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.