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(54) CYCLOPENTENE DERIVATIVES AND THEIR USE AS ODORANTS

(71) We, L. GIVAUDAN & CIE, Societe Anonyme, a Swiss Company of Vernier-Geneve, Switzerland, do hereby declare the invention, for which we pray that a patent may be granted to us, and the method by which it is to be performed, to be particularly described in and by the following statement:-

According to Guenther (E. Guenther, "The Essential Oils", Vol. V, page 173, D. Van Nostrand Co., Inc., New York (1952), East Indian sandalwood oil "has been perhaps one of the most precious perfumery materials from antiquity down to modern times, and its popularity has shown no signs of waning". This oil is widely used in perfumery, and would be even more widely used except for its limited supply and high cost.

As is well known, a need exists for synthetic substances which can be used as sandalwood substitutes or extenders. It would be most desirable to be able to provide synthetically the major odorant compounds of the natural sandalwood oil, i.e. alpha-santalol and betasantalol, but no commercially feasible route to these chemicals is known at this time.

It would be even more desirable to provide a synthetic compound which would have many of the desirable odor qualities of a fine East Indian sandalwood oil, yet not have the potentially labile primary allylic alcohol group present in the natural santalols. A compound which would be more resistant to acidic or oxidative decomposition as well as being base stable could be even more versatile than sandalwood oil itself.

In accordance with the present invention there are provided novel compositions comprising in particular 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol which are characterized by a tenacious fine, soft, precious, woody odor reminiscent of sandalwood oil and the naturally occurring santalols.

This invention also provides an economic and commercially feasible process from readily available and low cost starting materials. The process, starting, e.g. from a-pinene, readily available from turpentine, is illustrated in Chart I.

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Chart I

This process involves an epoxidation of α-pinene (1), a rearrangement of the epoxide (2) to campholenic aldehyde (3), a condensation of 3 with 2-butanone and a hydrogenation of the condensation products. Such a process provides a mixture due to the two possible modes by which the condensation step can take place.

Only the 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol isomer (6) has an intense sandalwood-like odor. The other isomer, 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hexan-3-ol (7) has, surprisingly, a much weaker odor intensity and while it has some woody character, the predominant note is musk-like. The intensity of the minor isomer (7) is so much less than that of the major (6) that its presence does not provide a materially detrimental effect on the odor or 6 until the minor isomer approaches 50%. Indeed, many perfumers expressed a preference for the mixture of 6 and 7 over the pure isomer 6 claiming that the musky note of 7 enhances the odor providing a desirable note of musk while not detracting in any way from the precious wood notes of 6. The musky note, according to

these perfumers, makes the composition even more reminiscent of natural sandalwood oil and provides an additional residual sweetness to the odor. This is, of course, fortuitous since the method utilizing the condensation with 2-butanone provides, at the moment, the most economical approach to the desired 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol (6).

In preparing the compounds of this invention it is preferred, as mentioned previously, to start with the inexpensive and readily available α-pinene. It is well known that α-pinene, a naturally occurring constituent of turpentine, can be obtained as an optically pure substance (both optical antipodes are available) or as mixtures in which both antipodes are present in varying degrees. it has been determined that while the employment of one antipode as starting material leads to a product having an asymmetric center of opposite configuration to the product produced when the other antipode is used, there is no detectable difference in odor of the diasteriomers. Thus, when we speak of 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol we refer to 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1(R)-yl)pentan-2-ol or 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1(S)-yl) pentan-2-ol, or mixtures thereof, as equivalents. Each of these products is disclosed in the Examples which reveal more fully the properties and preparation of each particular species

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 In the preferred synthesis, which is disclosed more fully in the Examples, the α-pinene used is converted to the corresponding α-pinene epoxide by means of a peracid expoxidation. The α-pinene epoxide formed is then rearranged into the corresponding campholenic aldehyde, 2-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)acetyldehyde, in the presence of a catalytic amount of a Lewis acid, preferably zinc chloride or zinc bromide.

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The campholenic aldehyde so produced can then be converted to the desired novel 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethyl-cyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol and the novel homologs, isomers and analogs described herein in a variety of ways. Chart II illustrates the synthetic approach to, inter alia, the novel compounds 6 and 12 of this invention. According to this chart, it follows that compounds 6 and 12 may be prepared by a process comprising reducing, and/or hydrogenating a compound of the formula

or treating a compound of the formula

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with an organometallic compound of the formula CH₃M, wherein M is Li or a magnesium halide and, if desired, hydrogenating the double bond which may be present in the side chain of the primary reaction product.

It is obvious from chart II that there are two major pathways by which the compositions disclosed herein can be prepared. Pathway (a) involves the aforementioned condensation with a ketone followed by reduction of the condensation product. In this process, isomeric ketones may result in isomeric mixtures as illustrated in Chart I.

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$$R_{1} = H, CH_{3}, C_{2}H_{5}$$

Table A

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(a) conveniently in presence of base suitable for condensation between aldehydes and ketones, e.g. hydroxide or alkoxide of alkali metal

(c₁,(c₂) may be carried out using hydride reducing agents such as LiAlH₄, NaAlH₄, LiBH₄, (2-Bu)₂ AlH and NaAlH₂ (OCH₂CH₂OCH₃)₂. As is well known, such reductions may be carried out in aprotic, inert solvents such as THF, DME, ether and benzene. These reductions may also be carried out in an alcohol solvent such as methanol or ethanol or aqueous alcoholic solvents such as methanol-water and ethanol-water when hydride reducing agents such as NaBH₄ or NaB(CN)H₃ are employed.

(d) may be carried out via catalytic hydrogenation, e.g. using Pd on C, Pd on Al₂O₃, Pt on C or PtO, under neutral or slightly basic conditions (e.g. with Na₂CO₃, NaOH or KOH added). Solvents suitable for hydrogenations such as alcohols or hydrocarbons may be

60 (e) may be carried out via catalytic hydrogenation using copper chromite. The hydrogenation may be done employing no solvent. Solvents suitable for catalytic hydrogenations may be used, such as alcohols and hydrocarbons with alcohols being preferred.

 $(f_1),(f_2)$ may be carried out in normal manner by using a Grignard type reaction wherein R_2CH_2M represents R_2CH_2MgX (X=Cl, Br or I) or R_2CH_2Li . As is well known, such

reactions may be run in aprotic inert solvents such as THF, DME, ether, dibutyl ether. In

the above M represents Li or MgX.

Pathway (b) involves a condensation reaction between campholenic aldehyde and an aliphatic aldehyde followed by appropriate hydrogenation and reaction of the carbonyl compound with an appropriate organometallic reagent to form a secondary alcohol. Pathway (b) allows the preparation of the pure isomers obtained in process (a) when unsymmetrical ketones are used. General variations of these basic pathways are known, some of which are illustrated in greater detail in connection with the Examples.

Upon comparison, the novel homologs, isomers and analogs disclosed herein, while showing only slight structural differences, show marked differences in odor intensity and 10

quality. Table I shows the structures of the compounds compared.

Table I

	 		
15	Name 3-Methyl-5-(2,2,3- trimethylcyclopent- 3-en-l-yl)pentan-2- ol	15	
20	3-Methyl-5-(2,2,3- trimethylcyclopentan- 1-yl)pentan-2-ol OH	20	
25	5-(2,2,3-Trimethyl- cyclopent-3-en-1-yl) OH	25	
30	6-(2,2,3-Trimethyl-cyclopent-3-en-1-yl) hexan-3-ol 4-Methyl-6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hexan-3-ol OH	30	
35	3-Ethyl-5-(2,2,3- trimethylcyclopent- 3-en-1-yl)pentan-2- ol	35	
40	3-Methyl-5-(2,2,3- trimethylcyclopent-3- en-1(R)-yl)pentan-2- ol	40	
45	3-Methyl-5-(2,2,3- trimethylcyclopent- 3-en-1(S)-y1)pentan- 2-o1	45	
50	*Names use numbering system to be consistent with one another rather than adhere to	50	
55	preferred conventions. The characteristic of the 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol (6) which makes it most useful in perfumery is its intense sandalwood odor. Efforts to find other valuable sandalwood chemicals among the closely related analogs, isomers and homologs were surprisingly unsuccessful. While some of the other compounds had interesting odors, they were much too weak to generate perfumer interest.		
60	For example, if the double bond of 6 is hydrogenated to provide the 3-methyl-3-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopentan-1-yl)pentan-2-ol (8), the odor is practically eliminated altogether. The odor is very weak, slightly woody and the sandalwood note was described as faint. Of all the compounds listed in Table I other than 6 and 12, compound 11, the 3-ethyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethyl-cyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol, was found to be the strongest in		
65	odor intensity. Yet, the intensity of this compound was much too weak to generate perfumer interest. A direct comparison with diluted samples of 6 showed the odor intensity		

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5 1 563 741 compound 6 is clearly at least 10 times more intense than any of these others. Compound 9, a lower homolog, and compound 10, a higher homolog, were both weaker in intensity than 11. In addition to mere intensity differences, the sandalwood character of these compounds was very weak. Compound 9 had less desirable cedar notes, and 10 was more on the musk side than 6. The compound 7, 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1yl)hexan-3-ol, was discussed earlier. It too has a very weak odor and has only faint sandalwood notes, its odor being more of the musk-type. The intensity of the odor is so weak that though it is different from the compound 6, it does not detract from the odor of 6 even when substantial amounts are present. The compounds **6r** and **6s** are similar in odor to **6** which, as aforementioned, shows that 10 the absolute configuration at the carbon in question has no effect on the odor. The compound 12 is the only analog of 6 which approaches it in intensity and odor quality. This would imply that the presence or absence of the $\triangle^{3,4}$ olefinic bond has far less influence on the odor properties than do the other subtle changes noted in compounds 7 to 11 wherein the odor characteristics, particularly the intensities, are dramatically changed. 15 There is no obvious explanation why only slight chemical changes should have such a dramatic effect on odor intensity other than to invoke the general unreliability of odor structure relationships. Why the addition or removal of a methyl group, the removal of a double bond or the mere moving of a methyl group would essentially destroy more than 20 90% of the odor intensity rather than merely cause subtle odor differences comparable to the subtle chemical differences cannot be explained by any theoretical concepts in the The comparative compounds (7, 8, 9, 10 and 11) do have some quality notes, but have odors so weak that they have little, if any, value to the perfumer since their effect is lost when diluted in the blending necessary to make perfumes. The desired compounds such as 25 **6, 6r, 6s** and **12** have, in contrast, surprisingly strong odors which retain their integrety and hold their own when diluted in perfume blends. A further advantage is the aforementioned superior stability of the 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol (6) as opposed to primary allylic alcohols such as sandalwood oil. Compound 6 has been shown in studies to be more stable to heat, oxidizing 30 media and acidic media than the known sandalwood odorants having a primary allylic alcohol group such as the santalols in sandalwood oil. When the 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol (6) was incorporated in a soap bar and kept at 140°C for one month, the odor was still judged to be good. Compound 6 when exposed to sodium hypochlorite solution (household bleach) for 24 35 hours did not noticeably oxidize. Extraction of the compound from the bleach resulted in a high recovery (no losses due to decomposition etc.) of 6 which remained relatively unchanged. No oxidation occurred. There was no carbonyl absorptions in the ir. When sandalwood oil was subjected to the same conditions, there was material loss (upon extraction) and evidence of substantial oxidation (carbonyl bonds in the ir). 40 More importantly, while the 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol (6) retained its fine precious sandalwood odor, the natural sandalwood lost essentially all of its precious sandalwood note and retained only common (cheaper) notes described as piney, woody and fir balsam. 45 Similarly, when compound 6 was incorporated into an acidic toilet bowl cleaner (pH~l) for 32 days the sandalwood odor remained strong. At the end of the period the oil, extracted from the cleaner, still had a rich, woody, sandalwood-type odor. In contrast, the odor of natural sandalwood oil was dramatically altered in an identical experiment run at the same time. (Odor differences in the sandalwood oil were noted as 50 early as four days into the experiment). At the end of the experiment (32 days) the fine precious sandalwood character was essentially destroyed and the remaining odor was of the common (cheaper) dry, woody, cedarwood type. The fact is that the novel compound 6 of this invention is especially valuable because of its remarkable stability and is in many instances superior to the natural sandalwood oil, especially in those cases where the natural material would be susceptible to decomposition. 55 (Note that references to the novel compound 6 includes the optically active compounds 6r and 6s, mixtures of 6r and 6s and the material made via a condensation with 2-butanone which is a mixture of 6 and 7. For the purposes of this invention all are considered to be

equivalent with respect to stability and odor utility). The odor properties of the 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-l-yl)pentan-2-ol (6) are reminiscent of sandalwood oil and the composition can be used in most of the ways sandalwood oil is used. It finds use as a common blender and fixative in a variety of perfume types. There is no particular top note and its odor remains uniform for a considerable length of time. Even on drying out on a perfumer's blotter, the odor remains uniform

The unusual odor intensity (stronger than sandalwood oil at comparable dilution) allows

	the perfumer to use smaller amounts and still maintain the desired impact. (The utility in fragrances is treated with more detail in the examples).	
5	A number of Examples are provided herein to illustrate the preferred methods of synthesis of the compounds of this invention and their isomers, homologs and analogs. Among the methods used to characterize the compositions were the following: 1. Infrared spectra (ir) were recorded as neat samples on a Perkin-Elmer Model 457 and	5
10	absorptions are reported in inverse centimeters. 2. Nuclear magnetic resonance spectra (nmr) were recorded as solutions in chloroform- d_1 on a Varian (trade mark) A60A spectrometer and are reported as δ units relative to tetramethylsilane (TMS) (0.0 δ).	10
	3. Molecular weights were determined on a Perkin-Elmer Model 270 mass spectrometer. 4. Gos liquid abromatography (gla) was carried out on a 20% Carboway (trade mark)	
15	4. Gas-liquid chromatography (glc) was carried out on a 20% Carbowax (trade mark) 20M (6 ft. $\times \frac{1}{4}$ inch) column and/or a 20% SE 30 (6 ft. $\times \frac{1}{4}$ inch) column ([1 ft. = 30, 48 cm. 1 inch = 2,54 cm].	15
	5. Unless otherwise indicated weights are in grams, temperatures are in degrees centigrade, pressures are in mm Hg and yields are based on theory. There is also provided a number of Examples illustrating fragrance use, stability and odor intensity.	
20	intensity. The Examples provided herein are intended only to illustrate the preferred embodiments of this invention and should not be construed as limiting. They are intended to embrace any equivalents or obvious extensions which are known or should be known to a person skilled in the art.	20
25	Example I	25
	Preparation of campholenic aldehyde (3) from 01-pinene (1) The compounds of this invention, their homologs and other analogs are all available from campholenic aldehyde.	
30	A method used, which is suitably illustrative, involved adding, over a period of 1.5 hours, 420 g (2.2 mol) of 40% peracetic acid to a rapidly stirred suspension of 272 g (2.0 mol) of α -pinene and 307 g (2.9 mol) of sodium carbonate in 400 ml of toluene. During the addition the reaction temperature was maintained at 35-40°C by means of a cooling bath. The resultant suspension was stirred at 35-40°C for 35-45 minutes and was quenched by the rapid	30
35	addition of 1000 ml of water. The quenched mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel. The lower aqueous layer was then drawn off and re-extracted with 300 ml of toluene. The combined toluenen layers were washed once with 400 ml of brine, twice with 400 ml of saturated sodium thiosulfate solution and once again with 300 ml of brine. The solvent was removed by distillation at	35
40	75-85°C (90-100 mm Hg). The remaining oil was distilled at reduced pressure (15 mm) to yield 17.6 g of recovered α-pinene and 240.8 g (84.7% theory) of the desired α-pinene epoxide (2) (bp 75-76°C at 15 mm). The product had a molecular weight of 152 (ms), no vinyl hydrogens (nmr) and no absorptions in the ir corresponding to hydroxyl, carbonyl or vinyl hydrogen.	40
45	The α -pinene epoxide so produced was then converted to campholenic aldehyde as follows: To a rapidly stirred refluxing suspension of 7.5 g (0.055 mole) of zinc chloride	45
5 0	(anhydrous) in 1000 ml of benzene there was added 304 g (2.0 moles) of α-pinene epoxide over 1.0-1.25 hour period. The resultant mixture was heated at reflux (86°C) for 1.0-1.5 hours, cooled to 25°C and then poured into 400 ml of 5% sodium carbonate solution. The	50
50	aqueous layer was drawn off and the benzene layer washed twice with 400 ml of brine. The solvent was removed and the oil fractionally distilled to give campholenic aldehyde: 193.2 g (70.2% yield), bp 51-52°C (1.5 mm); n_D^{00} 1.4658; mol wt. 152 (ms); nmr, 0.88 (3H, s), 1.0 (3H, s), 1.6 (3H, broad s, olefinic CH ₃), 2.1-2.6 (4H, broad complex), 5.2 (lH, broad	50
55	multiplet, olefinic H), 9.7 (lH, doublet of doublets, J~3.5 +1.5 Hz, aldehyde H); Ir, 3020, 2700, 1714, 790 cm ⁻¹ . Other methods known in the art for epoxidation of olefins may be used. Peracids such as	55
60	m-chloroperbenzoic acid and trifluoroperacetic acid may also be used for the epoxidation. The rearrangement of the α -pinene epoxide may also be effected by other Lewis acids, however zinc chloride, zinc bromide and equivalents thereof are preferred. All commercial grades of α -pinene employed were satisfactory. The presence of the	60
	expected impurities such as β -pinene in such commercial grades did not noticeably affect the quality of the final product	

the quality of the final product. The optical purity of the α -pinene used does not effect the final product of this invention. No noticeable differences in odor were found when odorant compounds of this invention were prepared by starting with either optical antipode of α -pinene ($\alpha_D = +40^{\circ}0'$ or 65

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= $-40^{\circ}0'$) or a racemic mixture of the two optical isomers.

 $\alpha_D = -40^{\circ}0'$) or a racemic mixture of the two optical bounds. The campholenic aldehydes, derived from the two optically pure α -pinene samples, were shown to be mirror images of each submitted for ORD analysis and the two samples were shown to be mirror images of each other. Both ORD curves cross zero near the sodium-D line, so that both enantiomers exhibit $\alpha_D \sim 0^\circ$. (However, at other wavelengths there is demonstrated measurable rotation as shown by the ORD).

Example II

Preparation of α , β unsaturated ketones via a condensation reaction between campholenic 10 aldehyde with ketones.

Scheme III (below) illustrates a general method used to prepared compounds of the general formula shown below.

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25 25 = H, CH₃, C₂H₅

The following Examples provide illustrations of the above scheme. First, the preparation of α, β-unsaturated ketones by campholenic aldehyde condensation with ketones is described.

30 30 1. Preparation of 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pent-3-en-2-one (4) from campholenic aldehyde and 2-butanone (methyl ethyl ketone)

This example illustrates a preparation of the above named intermediate by condensing the campholenic aldehyde with methyl ethyl ketone.

To a stirred solution of 400 g (6.1 moles) of methyl ethyl ketone, 1025 g (32 moles) of 35 methanol, 30.5 g (0.54 mole) of potassium hydroxide and 380 g of water cooled to -5 to -10° C was added 152 g (1.0 mole) of campholenic aldehyde over 15-30 minutes. The mixture was maintained at 0 to -10° C for 24-36 hours and then at 25-35°C for 18-24 hours. The mixture was neutralized by addition of 36.8 g of 62.5% sulfuric acid and the unreacted

methyl ethyl ketone and excess methanol were removed by atmospheric distillation. The residúal liquid was added to 200 ml of hexane and 200 ml of water. The aqueous layer was drawn off and the hexane layer was washed with 200 ml of brine. The hexane was removed by atmospheric distillation and the oil fractionally distilled under vacuum to give

3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pent-3-en-2-one and two other isomers in a ratio of *ca.* 86:6:8 by glc. yield 140.3 g (85% theory); bp 102-105°C (1.3 mm); n_D^{20} 1.4888; mol wt. 206 (ms); nmr, 0.88 (3H,s), 1.0 (3H,s), 1.6 (3H, broad s), 1.8 (3H, broad s), 2.3 (3H, s, acetyl CH₃), 5.3 (1H, broad multiplet, olefinic H), 6.7 (1H, complex, β-olefinic H of an α, β-unsaturated carbonyl system); îr, 3030, 1670, 1635, 790 cm

The mass spectral analysis indicates that the condensation product is a mixture of the methyl (A) and ethyl ketones (B & C). In A the condensation took place at the methylene 50 50 of 2-butanone and in B and C it took place at the methyl group.

One can vary the conditions of the reaction and alter the isomer ratio. Changes in relative concentrations of reactants and temperature result in variation of reaction time and isomer ratio. The amount of ethyl ketones normally varies between 10% and 30% of the total 60 60 product, but it does not matter since, upon reduction, the minor alcohol produced (7) in an amount of 10-30% of the total product, has no adverse effect on the odor of the desired

The obvious modifications can be made. Other hydroxides or alkoxides of alkali metals would be suitable, e.g. sodium methylate, potassium ethylate, potassium t-butoxide, or any other bases known to be suitable for condensations between aldehydes and ketones, e.g.

	amines. Of course, the readily available sodium or potassium hydroxides are preferred for their economic advantages and ease of handling, see also A. T. Nielson and W. J. Houlihan, Org. Reactions 16 (1972).	
5	Temperature differences have the expected influence on both the isomer distribution and the reaction rate. Higher temperatures result in shorter reaction times and slightly lower selectivity. A reaction running at 40°C required about 5 hours. Other factors such as relative amounts of reactants and concentration are not critical.	5
10	2. Preparation of 5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pent-3-en-2-one The previous example can be repeated substituting an equimolar amount of acetone for ethyl methyl ketone to yield the 5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pent-3-en-2-one in good yield. Spectral data were consistent with the structure given.	10
15	3. 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hex-4-en-3-one The following example shows how the pure ethyl ketone isomer of Example II-l above (i.e. precursor to isomer 7) can be prepared. Sodium ethoxide (68 g, 1.0 mol) was slowly added to 1,200 ml ethanol which was being	15
20	rapidly stirred. A mixture of campholenic aldehyde (152 g, 1.0 mol) and ethyl 2-methylacetoacetate (144 g, 1.0 mol) was added at 25-30°C over a 35 minute period. The reaction mixture was poured into 2 liters of ice water and the pH adjusted to 2 by adding 25% sulfuric acid. The solid that precipitated was filtered, washed with cold water and dried to yield 68.8 grams of product. The spectral data was consistent with the expected	20
25	2-carboxy-5-hydroxy-6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hexan-3-one in the enol form. The 68.8 grams of solid was charged with 550 ml ethanol, 400 ml water and 10 g of 62.5% sulfuric acid into a 2-liter flask connected to a gas meter. The reaction mixture was heated at reflux for 24 hours during which time the solid slowly dissolved and carbon dioxide was evolved. After pouring into water, extracting with ether, removing the solvent and	25
30	distilling, the resulting oil provided a working sample of 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hex-4-en-3-one which proved to be identical to the minor isomer obtained when 2-butanone was reacted with campholenic aldehyde.	30
35	Example III Selective hydrogenation of the α , β -unsaturated ketones to provide the desired secondary alcohols The following examples illustrate a method for completely hydrogenating the alkyl portion of molecule while leaving the double bond of the ring intact.	35
40	1. Preparation of 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol (6) Into a one-liter stainless steel autoclave was charged 350 g (1.7 moles) of 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pent-3-en-2-one, 26.3 g (7.5 wgt-%) of copper chromite, 0.1 g (0.03 wgt-%) of potassium hydroxide and 250 ml of secbutyl alcohol. The mixture was stirred and heated to 160°C under 300 psi hydrogen* pressure and was	40
45	hydrogenated until the hydrogen uptake ceased. The mixture was cooled to ambient temperature. The autoclave was vented and then the reaction mixture removed and filtered through a thin pad of Filter-cel (trade mark). The solvent was removed from the filtrate by distillation to a pot temperature of 75°C at 10-15 mm. The residual viscous oil was fractionally distilled to give 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol (a	45
50	mixture of diastereomers). Yield 310 g) 87% theory); bp 103 - 106 °C (1.0 mm); n_D^{20} 1.4730; mol wt. 210 (ms); nmr, 0.58, 0.8, 0.9 and 1.0 (6H, 4s, geminal dimethyl groups of the various diastereomers in the mixture), 1.0-1.1 (3H, d, buried under the CH ₃ singlets), 1.12 and 1.15 (3H, 2D, J=6.5 Hz, carbinol methyl groups of the various diastereomers in the mixture), 1.2-1.5 (6H, broad complex), 1.6 (3H, broad s, olefinic CH ₃), 1.7 (1H, s,	50
55	hydroxyl H/exchanged by D_20 , 1.8-2.4 (2H, broad complex, allylic methylene), 3.7 (1H, broad multiplet, carbinyl H), 5.2 (1H, broad multiplet, olefinic H); ir, 3360, 3040, 790 cm ⁻¹ .	55
60	2. 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hexan-3-ol (7) This example provides an alternate method for selectively reducing the α, β-unsaturated ketones to saturated alcohols without at the same time reducing the olefinic bond in the cyclopentyl ring, using Bitch conditions. Lithium wire (2.21 g, 316 mgm-atoms) was added to 250 ml of freshly distilled ammonia. A solution of 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hex-4-en-3-one (12.6 g, 61.9 mmoles) in	60
65	60 ml dimethoxyethane (DME) was added slowly (30 minutes). The mixture was stirred at reflux for 1.0 hour. Excess lithium was then destroyed by slow, cautious addition of solid NH ₄ Cl until the blue color disappeared. The ammonia was then evaporated and 50 ml	65

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DME was added. The product was isolated and distilled to provide the desired 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hexan-3-one. Spectral analysis showed the ring double bond to be intact while the α , β -unsaturation had been reduced.

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The ketone was then subjected to a sodium borohydride reduction to provide 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hexan-3-ol which proved to be identical to the minor isomer (7).

Example IV

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10 Preparation of α , β -unsaturated aldehydes via a condensation reaction between campholenic aldehyde and aliphatic aldehydes

The following scheme illustrates a method used to prepare compounds of the general formula shown below. This route avoids the isomeric mixtures resulting when non-symmetrical ketones are condensed with campholenic aldehyde.

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$$\begin{array}{c} R_1 = CH_3, C_2H_5 \\ R_2 = CH_3, C_2H_5 \end{array} 40$$

The following Examples illustrate suitable experimental procedures for condensation reactions between campholenic aldehyde and normal alkyl aldehydes.

45 1. 2-methyl-4-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)but-2-enal
A mixture of campholenic aldehyde (456 g, 6.0 mol) and freshly distilled propionaldehyde (348 g, 6.0 mol) was slowly added, over a 1.0 hour

period, to a stirred refluxing solution of 18 ml of 40% aqueous sodium hydroxide and 800 ml methanol. The mixture was refluxed an additional two hours, cooled to room temperature and poured into 1,000 ml of water. The resultant solution was extracted three times with 300 ml of hexane. The hexane extracts were combined, washed first with 600 ml of water and then with 600 ml of brine. The solvent was removed by distillation and the oil fractionally distilled to yield the 2-methyl-4-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)but-2-enal. Vield 323 g (56.1% theory) bp 64-65°C (0.9 mm); mol wt. 192 (ms); ir, 3035, 2710, 1690 (s).

fractionally distilled to yield the 2-methyl-4-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)but-2-enal. Yield 323 g (56.1% theory) bp 64-65°C (0.9 mm); mol wt. 192 (ms); ir, 3035, 2710, 1690 (s), 1640 (s), 800 cm⁻¹; nmr, 0.8\u03b5 and 1.0 (6H, 2s, geminal dimethyl groups), 1.7 (3H, broad s, olefinic methyl attached to the cyclopentenyl group), 1.9-2.2 (3H, broad multiplet), 2.3-2.6 (3H, broad multiplet), 5.3 (1H, broad multiplet, olefinic H), 6.6 (1H, t, J~7.5 Hz), 9.4 (1H, sharp s, aldehyde H).

60 2. 2-ethyl-4-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)but-2-enal
Following the procedure under 1 on a one third molar scale and employing
n-butyraldehyde in place of propionaldehyde there was obtained 2-ethyl-4-(2,2,3trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)but-2-enal. Yield 128.3 g (62.3% theory); bp 124-12548C (1.8
mm); mol wt 206 (ms); ir, 3040, 2710, 1675 (s), 1635 (s), 790 cm⁻¹; nmr, 0.98 and 1.0 (6H,

65 2s, geminal dimethyl group), 1.0 (3H, t, methyl of the ethyl group), 1.6 (3H broad s,

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olefinic methyl), 1.8-2.7 (6H, complex), 5.3 (1H, broad multipleT, olefinic H of the cyclopentenyl ring), 6.4 (1H, t, J \sim 7.5 Hz, olefinic H β to the aldehyde group), 9.2 (1H, sharp s, aldehyde H). In either of the above Examples an optically active product can be obtained starting with an optically active campholenic aldehyde. As shown herein, the chirality of the asymmetric center of campholenic aldehyde has no effect on the odor of the final product. Furthermore, the aldol condensation of Example IV can be effected using a number of other bases, see A. T. Nielson et al., loc, cit. 10 10 Example V Selective reduction of the α , β -Unsaturated double bond of the α , β -unsaturated aldehydes The following procedures illustrate a selective conversion of the α , β -unsaturated aldehyde to a saturated aldehyde while leaving the cyclic double bond intact (see scheme of Example 4). 15 15 1. 2-methyl-4-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)butanal A mixture of 111g (0.58 mole) of 2-methyl-4-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)but-2enal, 2.7 g of 5% palladium on carbon and 80 ml of ethanol was hydrogenated at 30-40°C and 40-55 psi until hydrogen uptake ceases. The mixture was filtered to remove the catalyst and the solvent removed by distillation. The residual oil was fractionally distilled to yield 2-methyl-4-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)butanal. Yield 110.7 g (98.4% theory); bp 60-61° (1.4 mm); mol wt. 194 (ms); ir, 3040, 2700, 1728 (s), 800 cm⁻¹; nmr, 0.58, 0.8, 0.9 and 1.0 (6H, 4 s, geminal dimethyl groups of various diastereomers in the mixture), 1.1 (3H, d, J~7 Hz) 1.3-2.6 (7H, broad complex), 1.6 (3H broad s, olefinic methyl), 5.2 (1H, 25 broad multiplet, olefinic H), 9.7 (1H, d, J~1.5 Hz, aldehyde H). 2. 2-ethyl-4-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)butanal By a similar procedure there was produced 2-ethyl-4-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1yl)butanal: Yield - 98.2% theory; bp 93-95°C (1.5 mm); mol wt 208 (ms); ir, 3040, 2700, 1725 (s), 800 cm⁻¹; nmr 0.5 δ , 0.8, 0.9 and 1.0 (6H, 4s, geminal dimethyl groups of the various diastereoisomers in the mixture), 0,94 (3H, t, J \sim 6 Hz, methyl of the ethyl group), 1.1-2.5 (10H, broad complex), 1.6 (3H, broad s, olefinic methyl), 5.2 (1H, broad multiplet, olefinic H), 9.45 and 9.47 (1H, 2d, $J\sim2$ Hz, aldehyde H of the diastereoisomeric aldehydes). 35 35 Example VI Preparation of secondary alcohols from aldehydes The following procedures illustrate the reaction of the aldehyde and a suitable organometallic (e.g. alkyl lithium or alkyl magnesium halide) to provide secondary alcohols 40 as shown in the scheme of Example 4. Example VI illustrates a Grignard type reaction on an aldehyde. Solvents and temperatures for these are commonly known in the art. The example represents a commonly accepted procedure for running such reactions. 1. 3-Ethyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol 45 45 To a mixture of 117 ml (0.24 mole) of 2.06 M methyllithium (in ether) cooled to 5°C was added a solution of 39.0 g (0.19 mole) of 2-ethyl-4-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1yl)butanal in 200 ml of anhydrous ether. The addition was carried out at 5-10°C over 1 hour and the resultant mixture refluxed for 2 hours. The mixture was cooled to 5°C and 50 ml of saturated sodium sulfate solution was added slowly. The mixture was poured into 300 ml of water. The aqueous layer was drawn off and extracted twice with 100 ml portions of ether. The ether extracts were combined, washed with water and brine, dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated by removing the solvent. The residual oil was fractionally distilled to yield 3-ethyl-5-(2,2,3trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol. Yield 30.5 g (71.7% theory); bp 116-119°C (1.5 mm); mol wt 224 (ms); ir, 3360 (s, broad), 3040, 800 cm^{$^{-1}$}, no absorptions in the 2700-2800 and 1650-1750 cm^{$^{-1}$} regions; nmr 0.5 δ , 0.8, 0.9 and 1.0 (6H, 4s, geminal dimethyls of the various diastereomers in the mixture), 1.1 (3H, t, J~5.5 Hz, methyl of the ethyl group), 1.2 (3H, d, J~6.5 Hz, carbinol methyl), 1.2-2.5 (11H, broad complex), 1.6 (3H, broad s,

2. 4-methyl-6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hexan-3-ol
Similarly, employing a Grignard reaction with ethylmagnesium iodide there was prepared 4-methyl-6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hexan-3-ol.
Yield 73.1% theory; bp 95-97°C (2.0 mm); mol wt 224 (ms); ir, 3360 (s, broad), 3040, 800 cm⁻¹, no absorptions in the 2700-2800 and 1650-1750 cm⁻¹ regions; nmr, 0.88 and 1.0 (6H,

olefinic CH₃), 3.8 (1H, broad multiplet, carbinyl H), 5.2 (H, broad multiplet, olefinic H).

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2s, geminal dimethyls), 0.96 (3H, t, J \sim 6.5 Hz), 0.90 (3H, d, J \sim 5 Hz), 1.2-2.5 (10H, complex), 1.6 (3H, broad s, olefinic methyl), 1.7 (1H, s, exchanged with D₂O, hydroxyl), 3.4 (1H, broad multiplet, carbinyl H), 5.2 (1H, broad multiplet, olefinic H). 5 3. 3-Methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol A solution of 20.8 g (0.12 mole) of 2-methyl-4-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1yl)butanal dissolved in ethyl ether-anhydrous (50 ml) was added to a stirred solution of

methyllithium (1.7 M) in ethyl ether (250 ml; 0.14 mole) which was previously cooled to 0°C. The mixture was stirred at 0-5°C for 1.0 hour and then heated at reflux (36°C) for 3.0 10 hours. The mixture was cooled to 0°C and excess methyllithium was decomposed by slow dropwise addition of saturated sodium sulfate solution (50 ml). The mixture was poured into 150 ml of water, the lower aqueous layer was drawn off and extracted twice with 100 ml of ether. The ether extracts were combined, washed with 150 ml of brine, dried over sodium sulfate, filtered and the solvent removed by distillation. The residual oil was fractionally distilled to yield 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol: 20.4 g (81% yield); bp 96-98° (0.9 mm); mol wt. 210 (ms).

Example VII

3-Methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopentan-1-yl)pentan-2-ol A mixture of 105 g (0.5 mole) of 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol, 5.3 g of 5% palladium on carbon and 100 ml of ethanol was hydrogenated at 30-45°C and 35-50 psi until the hydrogen uptake ceased. The mixture was filtered to remove the catalyst and the solvent was removed from the filtrate by distillation. The residual oil was fractionally distilled to yield 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopentan-1-yl)pentan-2-ol: 93.2 g (97.3% yield); bp 105-107°C (1.3 mm); mol wt 212 (ms); ir, 3350 (S, broad) cm⁻¹. No absorption in the 3010-3080 cm⁻¹ region or the 750-850 cm⁻¹

region, indicating no olefinic hydrogens and no trisubstituted olefin, respectively. nmr, 0.58 and 0.85 (6H, 2s, geminal dimethyl groups), 0.7-1.0 (6H, broad multiplet), 1.1 (3H, 2d, carbinol methyl groups of various diastereomers in the mixture), 1.3-2.0 (11H, broad complex), 2.2 (1H, broad s, exchanged with D₂O, hydroxyl H), 3.658 (1H, broad

multiplet, carbinyl H), no absorptions in the 5.0-7.08 region indicating no olefinic protons.

Example VIII

5-(2,2,3-Trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol To a stirred solution of 13.3 g (0.35 mole) of sodium borohydride and 0.3 g of sodium hydroxide in 200 ml of ethanol and 20 ml of water was added 86.4 g (0.45 mole) of 5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pent-3-en-2-one at 25-40°C over 15 minutes. The resultant mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 18 hours and was then poured in a mixture of 300 ml of water and 30 ml of 10% sodium hydroxide solution. The mixture was extracted with hexane and the combined hexane extracts were washed neutral with several brine washes. The hexane was removed by distilllation and the residual oil was fractionally distilled to give a mixture of 5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)-pent-3-en-2-ol (66%) and 5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)-pental-2-ol (22%): 57.4 g (65% yield) bp 94-108°C (1.4 mm); mol wt. 194 and 196 (ms), respectively.

A mixture of 0.6 g of 5% palladium on carbon, 44.1 g (0.15 moles of the pent-3-en-2-ol)

of the above pentenol/pentanol mixture and 50 ml of ethanol was hydrogenated at 25-45°C and 35-52 psi until hydrogen uptake ceased. The mixture was filtered to remove the catalyst and the solvent was removed from the filtrate by distillation. The residual oil was fractionally distilled to yield 5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)-pentan-2-ol: 30.1 g (77.7% yield); bp 105-108°C (1.5 mm); mol wt. 196 (ms); ir, 3350 (s, broad), 3040 and 797 cm⁻¹; nmr, 0.58, 0.8, 0.9 and 1.0 (6H, 4s, geminal dimethyl groups of various diastereomers in the mixture), 1.2 (3H, d, $J\sim6$ H_z, carbinol methyl), 1.3-1.5 (7H, broad complex), 1.6 (3H, broad s, olefinic methyl), 1.7-2.4 (3H, broad complex containing 1H exchangeable with D₂O), 3.8 (1H, broad multiplet, carbinyl H), 5.2 (1H, broad multiplet, olefinic H).

Example IX

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Odor quality and intensity comparisons

1. Pure 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl) pentan-2-ol (6) was compared with compositons of (6) with 25%, 40% and 50% of 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl) hexan-3-ol, respectively.

At levels of 25% of 7 the mixture was described as closer to natural sandalwood oil due to the musk note which was felt to enhance the final product. It was also agreed that the mixture was less intense than the pure isomer, probably due to dilution.

At levels of 40% of 7, the musk note was slightly more pronounced and the overall intensity was further weakened. However, the composition still had a fine sandalwood odor

and, although slightly less preferred than the 75:25 mixture, was still considered to be highly At levels of 50% or more of 7 the odor becomes flat and was considered less desirable. However, it was not ruled out that such mixtures would be preferred for certain applications. Again, the odor intensity is diminished and apparently the musk note has 5 reached an awareness level so as to detract from the fine, precious, sandalwood note of the isomer 6. The following tests were run to determine the magnitude by which the odor intensity of compound 6 was greater than the much less intense comparative compounds of Table I. First, to choose the strongest among the weak, three perfumers independently compared 10 coded samples of 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11. Each, independently and without reservation chose the sample containing compound 11 as the most intense. In a separate test a sample of compound 11, 3-ethyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1yl)pentan-2-ol was compared to a 75:25 mixture of 6 and 7 [3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-15 trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl) pentan-2-ol (6) and 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1yl)hexane-3-ol (7)], respectively. Separate solutions of the 75:25 mixture were prepared in diethylphthalate wherein the level of odorant was 1%, 5%, 10% and 20% by weight respectively. These samples were coded by a party who did not participate in the comparison and who did not reveal the code to the participants. 20 20 The participants, 2 quality control perfumers and 1 research perfumer, were asked to match the sample of 11 (undiluted) with the coded sample that they felt matched it most closely in intensity. Independently, two of the participants matched it as weaker than the 10% sample but stronger than the 5% sample. One matched it as stronger than the 1% sample but weaker than the 5% sample. 25 25 In no case did the participants know which of the samples were of which concentration so that the grading of the reference samples acted as an internal check on the comparison data. Example X Stability 30 The following examples illustrate the stability of the 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)-pentan-2-ol (6). 30 1. Thermal stability in soap A sandalwood composition of this invention (75%-6 + 25%-7) was incorporated at a 1% level in a soap bar which was stored for 1 month at 140°C. At the end of the test period a 35 soap evaluation panel (5 members) judged the odor as still good. Stability in household bleach This example illustrates the stability of a sandalwood composition of this invention (ca. 75%-6 and 25%-7) in oxidizing media such as bleach. The following examples were run in triplicate. To 200 g of 10% sodium hypochlorite solution (ordinary household bleach) was added in one instance 2.0 grams of 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol (ca 75%-6 and 25%-7) and in other instance 2.0 grams of East Indian Sandalwood Oil. The mixtures were stirred for 24 hours. Ether (50 ml) was added to each of the flasks, the mixture stirred well for 15 minutes, and the layers allowed to separate. The aqueous layer 45 was further extracted 3 times with 50 ml portions of ether. The combined ether layers were washed with saturated (sodium chloride) salt solution and concentrated. From the natural sandalwood oil there was recovered an average of 1.5 grams. The recovered oil and the starting material were compared. A comparison of the infrared data showed that the -OH band of the processed oil was much weaker in intensity and there were 50 strong carbonyl (C=O) bands which revealed that significant oxidation had taken place. Further evidence for oxidation was obtained by extracting an average of 0.6 grams of acidic materials from the aqueous layer. Of greater significance was the fact that the sandalwood oil which had been stirred in the bleach had lost its fine, precious, sandalwood notes. The recovered material had only the 55 common (cheaper) notes described as piney, woody and fir balsam indicating the santalols had been destroyed. In contrast, the average recovery of the sandalwood composition of this invention was greater than 90%. The infrared of the recovered material showed a strong -OH band and very little in the carbonyl region indicating that very little oxidation, if any, had occurred. 60 Most importantly, the recovered oil still had the fine, precious, sandalwood notes and virtually no odor change. The data clearly indicates the far greater stability of the sandalwood composition of this invention.

This example illustrates the stability of the sandalwood composition of this invention,

Stability in low pH toilet bowl cleaner

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	called Compound A below, (ca 75%-6 and 25%-7) in a low pH cleaner. These "acidic" cleaners pose special problems to the perfumer since many odorants are destroyed by the acid.		
5	Two samples of a low pH toilet bowl cleaner, consisting of 9% concentrated hydrochloric acid, 3% emulsifiers, and 88% distilled water, were perfumed with 1% of compound A and East Indian Sandalwood Oil, respectively. The samples were agitated daily and odor evaluated over the course of one month. Throughout the month, the odor of the sample	5	
10	containing Compound A remained stronger and the odor character retained the rich woodiness of Compound A itself. The sample containing East Indian Sandalwood Oil continually changed throughout the month and the precious woody odor changed to a sour, dry, cedarwood-type odor.	10	
15	After one month, the two samples were extracted with ether, the solvent was removed, and the Compound A and East Indian Sandalwood Oil were respectively evaluated against the starting materials. Although the odor of Compound A had been modified somewhat, the rich, woody sandalwood-type odor was still present. The extracted Sandalwood Oil had a sour, dry, cedar-type odor and was no longer reminiscent of sandalwood.	15	
20	Odorant compositions The following examples are offered to illustrate the utility of the sandalwood compositions of this invention in a variety of fragrance compositions. In each of the examples, Compound A is one of the compositions of this invention as claimed such as 6 or 6r or 6s or 12 or the mixture of 6 (>60%) and 7 (<40%) as described in Table I and cleave the compositions.	20	
25	elsewhere in this specification. For the most part the aroma chemicals herein evaluated can be used in perfume formulations in a practical range extending from 0.1 to 30 percent. This will vary, of course, depending upon the type of fragrance formula involved. Higher concentrations above 30 percent (i.e. to 80-90 percent) may be used successfully for special effects.	25	
30	The compounds can be used to prepare odorant compositions which can be used as odorant bases for the preparation of perfumes and toilet waters by adding the usual alcoholic and aqueous diluents thereto: approximately 15-20% by weight of base would be used for the former and approximately 3-5% by weight would be used for the latter. Similarly, the base compositions can be used to odorize soaps, detergents and cosmetics. In these instances a base concentration of from about 0.5 to about 2% by weight can be		
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composition of this invention as previously defined. The effect that the presence, absence or changing of Compound A has on the fragrance follows the example.

5	1. The use of compound A in a woody-type composition		5
	Component	pts	J
	Compound A	280	
10	Oranger liquid	20	10
	Limonene	38	
15	Linalool	66	15
	Linalyl acetate	95	
	Benzyl acetate	20	
20	γ-Methyl ionone	152	20
	p-tertButylcyclohexyl acetate	114	
25	Vetiver acetate	115	25
23	Coumarin	40	23
	Versalide*	30	
30	Aldehyde C-12, 10% DPG	4	30
	Undecalactone, 10% DPG	6	
35	Diphenyl oxide	10	35
55	Diphenyl methane	10	55
	Total	1,000	
40	*Registered trademark of Givaudan Corporation 1-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene	n for 1,1,4,4-Tetramethyl-6-ethyl-7-acetyl-	40
45	Compound A contributes body to the woody odor making it fuller, deeper, richer and providing an overall rounding effect. The total odor effect of the added Compound A on this composition is reminiscent of the effect achieved when natural sandalwood is used in the same manner.		
75	The dryout odor of the composition contain especially in the musky notes, and lasts longer the without Compound A.	ing Compound A is fuller and stronger, an the dryout odor of the base composition	
50	The observation suggests that the novel compositions of this invention have fixative properties similar to those achieved with musks and with natural sandalwood oil. At concentrations lower than 28% quoted in this example, the effects are similar but less pronounced. Higher concentrations may also be used successfully for unique and special		
55	when Compound A is replaced by one of the comparative compounds (7, 8, 9, 10 or 11) the effect on the base composition (i.e. the composition without Compound A) is very weak and minimal, the odor impact of such comparative compounds being too weak to make a significant contribution.		
	Example XIII		

Example XIII

The following example illustrates the utility of the sandalwood compositions of this invention in fragrance compositions of the muguet type. Compound A is a novel 60 composition of this invention as previously defined.

	2. The use of compound A in a muguet-type com	position	
,	Component	pts	
5	Compound A	142	5
	Aldehyde C-9, n-Nonanal, 10% diethylphthalate	2.5	
10	Aldehyde C-10, n-Decanal, 10% DEP	. 1	10
	Amyl cinnamic aldehyde	13	
	Benzyl acetate	25	
15	Benzyl salicylate	20	15
	Cinnamyl acetate	45	
20	Cyclamen aldehyde (α-methyl-p-isopropyl phenylpropionaldehyde	10	20
	Citronellyl acetate	30	
25	Phenyl methyl carbinyl acetate, 10% DEP	45	25
25	Hexyl cinnamic aldehyde	20	
	Indole, 2,3-benzylpyrrole, 10% DEP	4	
30	Laurine (Hydroxycitronellal)	120	30
	Linalool, cour	140	
25	Linalyl cinnamate	40	35
35	Nerol, prime	40	
	Phenyl ethyl alcohol	130	
40	Phenyl ethyl isobutyrate	4	40
	Phenyl ethyl dimethyl carbinol	10	
45	Phenyl ethyl phenyl acetate	25	45
43	Rhodinol, extra	60	
	Rhodinyl acetate	34	
50	Terpineol	50	50
	Tetrahydrolinalool	30	
55	Total	1,000	55
60	Compound A imparts to the composition a "naturalness" by contributing to the and stem notes thus making the total odor more like the odor of the whole flowe natural environment. The effect is reminiscent of the contribution made by a sandalwood oil.		60
65	Example XIV Compound A was tested in a number of other "oc	lor type" perfumes at a level of 0.5% to	65

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determine what effect it would have on these odor types.

In certain types (Fougere, Chypre, animal complex, classic citrus cologne) the effect was to provide "lift". The top notes were accentuated and the whole odor impression was more brilliant and full.

In florals (Rose, Muguet, Jasmin, Lilac) the odor effect was to provide natural notes, depth and fullness. The fragrance was richer and rounded. For example, the rose composition lost its geranium sharpness and the green notes became more prominent. The whole odor impression was more rounded and pleasing.

Samples on a perfumer's blotter which were examined after 18 hours, 24 hours, and 48 hours, when compared with the compositions without Compound A, were stronger, deeper, and longer lasting, clearly demonstrating the fixative properties of the added compound.

WHAT WE CLAIM IS:-

1. A process for the manufacture of compounds of the formula

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wherein the broken lines indicate an optional bond, comprising reducing, and/or hydrogenating a compound of the formula

or treating a compound of the formula

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30 with an organometallic compound of the formula CH₃M, wherein M is Li or a magnesium halide, and, if desired, hydrogenating the double bond which may be present in the side

chain of the primary reaction product.

2. A process according to Claim 1 for the preparation of a composition consisting essentially of from less than 100% to more than 60% of 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-35 trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol and a definite amount, but not more than 40%, of 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hexan-3-ol, which comprises reacting campholenic aldehyde and 2-butanone in the presence of a suitable base to provide a mixture of 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pent-3-ene-2-one and 6-(2,2,3trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hex-4-en-3-one and then selectively hydrogenating the mix-

3. The process of Claim 2, wherein copper chromite (CuCr₂0₄) is used as the hydrogenation catalyst.

4. Process as claimed in Claim 1 for the preparation of cyclopentenyl derivatives as hereinbefore particularly described, especially with reference to any one of the foregoing Examples.

5. Compounds of the formula

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wherein the broken lines indicate an optional bond, when manufactured by the process of any one of Claims 1-4 or by an obvious chemical equivalent thereof.

6. 3-Methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)-pentan-2-ol, when manufactured by 55 the process of any one of Claims 1-4 or by an obvious chemical equivalent thereof.

7. 3-Methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pent-3-en-2-ol, when manufactured by the process of any one of Claims 1-4 or by an obvious chemical equivalent thereof.

8. 3-Methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcycopent-3-en-1(R)-yl)-pentan-2-ol, when manufactured by the process of any one of Claims 1-4 or by an obvious chemical equivalent thereof.

9. 3-Methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1(S)-yl) pentan-2-ol, when manufactured

by the process of any one of Claims 1-4 or by an obvious chemical equivalent thereof. 10. A composition consisting essentially of from less than 100% to more than 60% of 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol and a definite amount, but not 65 more than 40%, of 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hexan-3-ol, when manufactured

by the process of any one of Claims 1-4 or by an obvious chemical equivalent thereof. A composition according to Claim 10 wherein the 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol is between 70% and 90% and the 6-(2,2,3trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hexan-3-ol is between 30% and 10%, when manufactured by the process of any one of Claims 1-4 or by an obvious chemical equivalent thereof. 12. A composition according to Claim 10 or 11 wherein the 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-5 trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol is about 75% and the 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)-hexan-3-ol is about 25%, when manufactured by the process of any one of Claims 1-4 or by an obvious chemical equivalent thereof. 10 10 13. Compounds of the formula 15 15 wherein the broken lines indicate an optional bond. 3-Methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl) pentan-2-ol.
3-Methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pent-3-en-2-ol.
3-Methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1(R)-yl) pentan-2-ol.
3-Methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1(S)-yl)pentan-2-ol. 16. 20 20 17. A composition consisting essentially of from less than 100% to more than 60% of 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-yl)pentan-2-ol and a definite amount, but not more than 40%, of 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hexan-3-ol. 19. A composition according to Claim 18 wherein the 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol is between 70% and 90% and the 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol is between 70% and 90% and 90 25 trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hexan-3-ol is between 30% and 10%. 20. A composition according to Claim 18, wherein the 3-methyl-5-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)pentan-2-ol is about 75% and the 6-(2,2,3-trimethylcyclopent-3-en-1-yl)hexan-3-ol is about 25%. 21. A method of improving the odor of a fragrance composition, which comprises 30 30 adding thereto a proportion of any of the compounds or compositions of Claims 13-20. 22. A fragrance composition comprising an olfactorily-effective amount of a compound of Claim 13. 23. A fragrance composition comprising an olfactorily-effective amount of a compound 35 of Claim 14. 24. A fragrance composition comprising an olfactorily-effective amount of a compound 25. A fragrance composition comprising an olfactorily-effective amount of a compound of Claim 16. 26. A fragrance composition comprising an olfactorily-effective amount of the compound of Claim 17. 27. A fragrance composition comprising an olfactorily-effective amount of the composition of Claim 18. 28. A fragrance composition comprising an olfactorily-effective amount of the 45 composition of Claim 19. 45 29. A fragrance composition comprising an olfactorily-effective amount of the composition of Claim 20. For the Applicants 50 CARPMAELS & RANSFORD, 50 Chartered Patent Agents. 43, Bloomsbury Square,

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