Total Synthesis of (±)-Dalesconol A

**Significance:** (±)-Dalesconol A was first isolated from the fungus *Daldinia eschscholzii* and displays significant immunosuppressive properties. The natural product features a heptacyclic, highly oxidized carbon skeleton.

**Comment:** Heptacycle E was efficiently accessed via norbornene/Pd(0)-catalyzed coupling and cyclization reaction of B and C, followed by an intramolecular Michael addition. Pd(II)-catalyzed trihydroxylation of G gave triol H, which was further elaborated into (±)-dalesconol A.