seco-Dolastanes from the Marine Brown Alga *Dictyota dichotoma* (Huds.) Lamour

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Brown alga *Dictyota dichotoma* (Dictyotaceae) collected from Karachi coast of Arabian Sea yielded two new *seco*-dolastanes (diterpenoids) named: dichotone and dichotodione along with iso-linearol acetate of the same skeleton as a new source. Their structures have been characterized with the aid of 2D-NMR spectroscopic techniques.

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