Supplementary Materials

S1. Synthesis of 3,4,5-trimethoxyphenol

This compound was synthesized by Baeyer–Villiger oxidation of the respective trimethoxybenzaldehyde and subsequent saponification of the resulting trimethoxyphenyl formate (Scheme S1).

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In a typical reaction, \( m \)-chloroperoxybenzoic acid \( m \)-CPBA (4.45 g, 25.8 mmol) was added to a solution of 2,3,5-trimethoxybenzaldehyde (3.0 g, 15.4 mmol) and sodium bicarbonate (2.7 g, 32.1 mmol) in dichloromethane (70 mL). The mixture was stirred at room temperature until the end of the reaction was reached (~3 h). Then, the reaction mixture was filtered in a vacuum; the organic phase was washed with NaHCO\(_3\) (3 × 50 mL) and water (2 × 50 mL), and dried over anhydrous Na\(_2\)SO\(_4\). The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure, whereas the crude was re-dissolved in CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\) (5 mL) and chromatographed on silica gel with hexane-ethyl acetate of increasing polarity mixtures (0:50 \( \rightarrow \) 5:45). 3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl formate was obtained as a dark brown solid (1.36 g, 41.6% yield). Three milliliters of triethylamine (2.17 g, 21 mmol) were added to a solution of 3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl formate (1.36 g, 6.4 mmol) in methanol (75 mL) and the mixture was stirred at room temperature until the end of reaction was verified by TLC (~3 h). The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure; the crude was diluted with ethyl acetate (20 mL) and the organic phase was washed with 5% HCl (2 × 30 mL) and water (2 × 15 mL) and dried over anhydrous Na\(_2\)SO\(_4\). The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure; the crude was re-dissolved in CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\) (5 mL) and chromatographed on silica gel with hexane–ethyl acetate of increasing polarity mixtures (0:50 \( \rightarrow \) 20:30). 3,4,5-trimethoxyphenol was obtained as a dark brown oil (0.62 g, 52.5% yield).

1\(^H\) NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 400.1 MHz) \( \delta \) 6.09 (s, 2H, H-2 and H-6); 3.81 (s, 6H, 2 x CH\(_3\)O); 3.78 (s, 3H, CH\(_3\)O).

13\(^C\) NMR (CDCl\(_3\), 100.6 MHz) \( \delta \) 153.8 (C-3 and C-5); 152.4 (C-1); 131.9 (C-4); 93.0 (C-2 and C-6); 61.0 (CH\(_3\)O); 55.9 (2 x CH\(_3\)O). IR (cm\(^{-1}\)) 3381; 2940; 2845; 1600; 1508; 1479; 1230; 1130; 995.

S2. Structural Determination of New Compounds \( 14, 17, 18, 21, 24–26, 29, \) and \( 32 \)

The chemical structure of all new compounds obtained through the synthesis described above was established by IR, MS, and mainly by NMR spectroscopy. In this section, the NMR data used to determine the chemical structure of geranylphenol derivatives (14, 17, 18, 21, 24–26, 29, and 32) are discussed in detail.

Compound 14: In the \(^1H\) NMR spectrum of compound 14 two singlet aromatic signals at \( \delta_H = 6.61 \) and 6.41 ppm were observed, suggesting a tetrasubstituted aromatic pattern. This implies that the geranyl chain was incorporated at the C-5 position of the aromatic ring in accordance with the structure shown in Figure S1. Additionally, the signal at \( \delta_H = 3.22 \) ppm (d, \( J = 7.1 \) Hz, 2H) assigned to H-1’ showed spatial correlations with hydrogens at \( \delta_H = 6.61 \) (1H), 5.26 (t, \( J = 7.1 \) Hz, 1H) and 1.74 (s, 3H) ppm assigned to ArH-6, H-2’ and CH\(_3\)-C3’, respectively (Figure S.1.1). While H-1’ (d, \( J = 7.1 \) Hz, 2H) showed \(^3H_{HC}\) heteronuclear correlations with C-6, C-3’ and C-4 at \( \delta_C = 116.7, 138.3 \) and 148.3 ppm, respectively, and \(^2H_{HC}\) correlations with C-5 and C-2’ at \( \delta_C = 118.9 \) and 121.9 ppm, respectively (Figure S.1.1).
Compound 17: In the $^1$H NMR spectrum of compound 17 two doublet aromatic signals at $\delta_H = 6.79$ (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H) and 6.67 (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H) ppm were observed, suggesting a tetrasubstituted aromatic pattern. Additionally, two signals of methoxyl groups at $\delta_H = 3.90$ (s, 3H) and 3.84 (s, 3H) ppm, and a signal at $\delta_H = 5.88$ ppm (s, 1H), assigned to the OH group, were observed. However, this information is not sufficient to locate the position of the geranyl chain in the aromatic ring. However, from the 1D NOESY spectrum the signal of the OH group (s, $\delta_H = 5.88$ ppm) showed a spatial correlation with the signal at $\delta_H = 3.30$ ppm (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), which was assigned to the H-1' and showed a spatial correlation with the signals at $\delta_H = 6.79$ ppm (d, $J = 8.5$ Hz, 1H) and $\delta_H = 1.71$ ppm (s, 3H) assigned to ArH-5 and CH-C’3, respectively (Figure S1.2). This information was consistent with the position of the geranyl chain being on the C-6 carbon of the aromatic ring. In agreement with the information observed from the 2D HMBC spectrum, the signal of H-1’ showed $^3$H-C heteronuclear correlations with C-1, C-5, and C-3’ at $\delta_C = 147.2$, 123.5, and 136.2 ppm, respectively, and $^3$H-C correlations with C-6 and C-2’ at $\delta_C = 120.7$ and 122.2 ppm, respectively (Figure S1.2).

Compound 18: for the structural determination of regioisomer 18 an analysis similar to that made for 17 was carried out. In the $^1$H NMR spectrum of compound 18 two doublet aromatic signals at $\delta_H = 6.78$ (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H) and 6.65 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H) ppm were observed, suggesting a tetrasubstituted aromatic pattern and an ortho-coupling system between these two hydrogens. Additionally, two signals of methoxyl groups at $\delta_H = 3.92$ (s, 3H) and 3.83 (s, 3H) ppm, and a signal at $\delta_H = 5.61$ ppm (s, 1H), assigned to the OH group, were observed. However, from the 1D NOESY spectrum, one of the methoxy groups (s, $\delta_H = 3.83$ ppm) showed a spatial correlation with the signal at $\delta_H = 3.27$ ppm (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), which was assigned to the H-1’. This information suggests that the methoxy group is attached to the C-3 of the aromatic ring and that the geranyl chain is in an ortho position with respect to the methoxy group. Additionally, H-1’ showed spatial coupling with an aromatic hydrogen at $\delta_H = 6.78$ ppm (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), assigned to H-5. H-1’ also showed spatial coupling with the signal at $\delta_H = 1.71$ ppm (s, 3H), assigned to CH-C’3 of the geranyl chain (Figure S1.3). The data obtained from the 2D HMBC spectrum confirmed the proposed structure for regioisomer 18. In this way, H-1’ showed $^3$H-C heteronuclear correlations with C-3 and C-5 of aromatic ring at $\delta_C = 139.7$ and 124.2 ppm, respectively, and with C-3’ at $\delta_C = 135.8$ ppm of geranyl chain, while H-1’ showed $^3$H-C correlation with C-4 at $\delta_C = 126.9$ ppm and with C-2’ (geranyl chain) at $\delta_C = 123.1$ ppm (Figure S3).
Compound 21: From the $^1$H NMR spectrum, the presence of a single aromatic signal at $\delta_H = 6.32$ ppm (s, 1H) suggests that the aromatic system is penta-substituted and that only one geranyl chain was incorporated in a single position of the aromatic ring. Therefore, the structural determination for compound 21 does not require further analysis of spectroscopic data. However, Figure S4 shows the major spatial 1D NOESY and heteronuclear 2D HMBC correlations observed in both spectra.

Compound 24: Spectroscopic evidence of symmetric structure and double substitution on the aromatic nucleus by geranyl chains was established from the $^1$H-NMR spectrum by the following observations: a unique Ar–H signal appears at $\delta_H = 6.67$ ppm (s, 2H, H-3 and H-6); and the intensity of this signal was 2:4 relative to the signal at $\delta_H = 3.21$ ppm (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 4H, H-1”). This information suggests that geranyl chains were incorporated in carbons 4 and 5 of the aromatic ring. Finally, the complete determination of symmetrical structure was established by selective 1D NOESY experiments and 2D HMBC. From selective 1D NOESY experiments, the H-3 and H-6 signal ($\delta_H = 6.67$ ppm) showed spatial coupling with the H-1’ and H-1” ($\delta_H = 3.21$ ppm) hydrogens of both geranyl chains (Figure S.1.1). The major 2D HMBC correlations, which were considered to confirm the symmetric structure of compound 24, were a $\gamma_{HC}$ coupling observed between H-1’ with C-6 ($\delta_C = 116.1$ ppm) and C-3’ ($\delta_C = 135.9$ ppm), while $\gamma_{HC}$ coupling was observed with C-5 and C-2’ ($\delta_C = 132.2$ and $\delta_C = 135.9$ ppm, respectively). The aromatic protons (H-3 and H-6) showed $\gamma_{HC}$ coupling with C-1’ at $\delta_C = 30.7$ ppm and $\gamma_{HC}$ with aromatic carbons C-1 and C-5 at $\delta_C = 141.3$ and 132.2 ppm, respectively. The mayor 1D NOESY and 2D HMBC correlations are shown in Figure S5.
Compound 25: Spectroscopic evidence of double substitution on the aromatic nucleus by geranyl chains was established from the $^1$H-NMR spectrum by the following observations: two Ar–H signals appeared at $\delta_H = 6.83$ ppm (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H, H-5) and $\delta_H = 6.36$ ppm (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H, H-4), which indicates an ortho-coupling between these two hydrogens and suggests in the first instance that the two geranyl chains were incorporated into the C-2 and C-4 carbons of the aromatic ring (Figure S6). However, the observation of the two singlet signals at $\delta_H = 5.43$ and 5.04 ppm assigned to the hydrogens of the HO-C1 and HO-C3 groups, respectively, was key to determining the positions of the geranyl chains because the signal of hydrogen HO-C3 showed NOE spatial correlations with the signals at $\delta_H = 3.43$ ppm assigned to H-1'' (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H) and $\delta_H = 3.29$ ppm (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H) assigned to H-1' (Figure S6). The signal of hydrogen HO-C1 showed NOE spatial correlation with the signal at $\delta_H = 3.29$ ppm (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), assigned to H-1' (Figure S6). Additionally, the H-1'' doublet signal ($\delta_H = 3.43$ ppm) showed spatial correlations with hydrogens at $\delta_H = 6.83$, 5.04 and 1.77 ppm, assigned to ArH-5, HO-C3, and CH$_3$-C3'', respectively (Figure S.1.6). The final confirmation of the structure for compound 25 was established from the data provided by the 2D HMBC spectrum. So the signal of H-1'' ($\delta_H = 3.43$ ppm) showed 3$^1$J$H$-$C$ coupling with C-3'' and C-3 at $\delta_C = 138.6$ and 153.8 ppm, respectively, while H-1'' showed 2$^1$J$H$-$C$ with C-2 and C-2'' at $\delta_C = 113.9$ and 121.7 ppm, respectively, and H-1' ($\delta_H = 3.29$ ppm) showed 3$^1$J$H$-$C$ coupling with C-5, C-3', and C-1 at $\delta_C = 127.5$, 138.3, and 153.4 ppm, respectively. H-1' showed 2$^1$J$H$-$C$ coupling with C-6 and C-2' at $\delta_C = 119.1$ and 122.3 ppm respectively (Figure S6).

Figure S6. Major spatial NOE correlations (blue arrows) and main $^1$H-$^{13}$C HMBC correlations (red arrows) observed for compound 25.

Compound 26: For the structural determination of compound 26 (regioisomer of 25), a similar analysis was performed as for compound 24. In the $^1$H NMR spectrum of compound 26 two singlet aromatic signals at $\delta_H = 6.78$ and 6.33 ppm were observed, suggesting a tetrasubstituted aromatic pattern. This implies that two geranyl chains were incorporated in meta positions each, generating a symmetrical aromatic structure (Figure S7). These signals were assigned with H-5 and H-2, whereas the signal observed at $\delta_H = 5.04$ (s, 2H) was assigned to HO-C1 and HO-C3. Additionally, the Ar-H signal ($\delta_H = 6.78$ ppm, s, 1H) showed spatial correlations with hydrogens at $\delta_H = 3.27$ (d, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 4H) and 5.29 ppm (t, $J = 7.0$ Hz, 2H) assigned to H-1' and H-2', respectively, while the signal at $\delta_H = 5.04$ ppm (OH) showed spatial correlations with H-1' and H-2' (Figure S7). The symmetrical structure of compound 26 was established from 2D HMBC information. So, the signal of H-1' showed 3$^1$J$H$-$C$ coupling with C-5, C-3' and C-1 at $\delta_C = 130.9$, 138.2, and 153.8 ppm, respectively, and 2$^1$J$H$-$C$ coupling with C-6 and C-2' at $\delta_C = 118.7$ and 122.3 ppm, respectively (Figure S7).
Compound 29: In the $^1$H NMR spectrum of compound 29 two singlet aromatic signals at $\delta_H = 6.74$ and 6.67 ppm were observed, suggesting a tetrasubstituted aromatic pattern. This implies unequivocally that two geranyl chains were incorporated in ortho positions between these, generating an asymmetrical aromatic structure (Figure S8). These signals were assigned to H-6 and H-3, respectively. In addition, the signals observed at $\delta_H = 5.39$ and 3.84 ppm were assigned to the hydroxyl in C-1 (s, 1H) and the methoxyl group (s, 3H) in C-2 of the aromatic ring. From the 1D NOESY spectrum the H-6 signal ($\delta_H = 6.74$ ppm) showed spatial coupling with a signal at $\delta_H = 3.26$ ppm (d, $J_H = 6.9$ Hz, 2H), which was assigned to the H-1' of geranyl chain, while the H-3 signal ($\delta_H = 6.67$ ppm) showed spatial coupling with a signal at $\delta_H = 3.23$ ppm (d, $J_H = 7.0$ Hz, 2H), which was assigned to the H-1' of another geranyl chain (Figure S8). In this way the patterns of aromatic substitution of the geranyl chains in positions C-4 and C-5 are clearly defined. In addition, the structure of compound 29 and the positions of the geranyl chains were confirmed from the 2D HMBC spectrum. Thus, the H-6 signal showed $^3J_H$-H-C heteronuclear correlations with C-1'' and C-2 at $\delta_C = 31.2$ and 144.5 ppm, respectively, and $^2J_H$-H-C correlation with C-6 at $\delta_C = 124.3$ ppm. The H-3 signal showed $^3J_H$-H-C heteronuclear correlations with C-1' and C-1 at $\delta_C = 30.8$ and 143.5 ppm respectively, and $^2J_H$-H-C correlation with C-4 at $\delta_C = 132.5$ ppm (Figure S8).

Compound 32: A similar analysis to compound 21 was carried out for compound 32. From the $^1$H NMR spectrum the presence of aromatic signals was not observed, suggesting that the aromatic system is fully substituted and that two geranyl chain were incorporated in the aromatic ring. Therefore, only one possible structure can be suggested for compound 32 and no further analysis of spectroscopic data is required. However, in Figure S9 the major spatial 1D NOESY and heteronuclear 2D HMBC correlations observed in both spectra are shown.
Figure S9. Mayor spatial NOE correlations (blue arrows) and main $^1$H-$^{13}$C HMBC correlations (red arrows) observed for compound 32.

Table S1. Comparison of the effect of linear geranylated phenols/methoxyphenols derivatives on in vitro mycelial growth of *P. cinnamomi* and *B. cinerea* measured as a percentage of inhibition.

| Linear geranylated phenols/methoxyphenols derivatives | Percentage of inhibition* on in vitro mycelial growth of *P. cinnamomi* and *B. cinerea*. |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                      | 50 mg/L | 150 mg/L | 250 mg/L |
| 1                                                     | 87±0.0 (58 ± 2.1) | 100±0.0 (82 ± 3.0) | 100±0.0 (86 ± 1.3) |
| 2                                                     | 53±8.8 (37± 7.1) | 78±3.8 (65± 8.5) | 96±2.5(82± 2.3) |
| 3                                                     | 86±1.3 (0± 0.0) | 95±2.5 (25± 7.1) | 96±2.5 (63± 3.0) |
| 7                                                     | 62±3.3 (5±1.0) | 73±2.5 (20±4.8) | 78±3.8 (45±4.0) |
| 9                                                     | 23±2.5 (24±4.6) | 45±2.5 (42±4.5) | 56±2.5 (40±4.8) |
| 10                                                    | 0±0.0 (18±3.5) | 0±0.0 (31±3.4) | 0±0.0 (41±4.6) |
| 11                                                    | 12±1.3 (0± 0.0) | 12±1.3 (4±1.4) | 20±2.5 (26±5.4) |
| 16                                                    | 39±0.0 (49±3.3) | 47±1.3 (59±3.0) | 55±1.3 (79±2.1) |
| 19                                                    | 32±1.3 (9±2.1) | 30±3.8 (46±2.8) | 26±4.5 (54±4.8) |
| 20                                                    | 39±0.0 (32±2.2) | 43±1.3 (41±4.7) | 51±6.3 (71±3.8) |
| 22                                                    | 22±0.0 (0± 0.0) | 17±0.0 (66±6.4) | 17±0.0 (91±0.7) |
| 23                                                    | 33±0.0 (18±2.9) | 25±1.3 (67±5.5) | 21±1.3 (73±3.1) |
| 27                                                    | 8±7.0 (25±5.5) | 27±2.5 (61± 4.0) | 36±3.3 (93± 2.3) |
| 30                                                    | 0±0.0 (0± 0.0) | 0±0.0 (20±2.0) | 0±0.0 (21±1.9) |
| 31                                                    | 22±0.0 (1±0.4) | 21±1.3 (20±4.2) | 14±3.3 (66±3.9) |

Notes: Values in parentheses correspond to the inhibition of *B. cinerea* after 72 h. * The percentage of inhibition of mycelial growth was obtained from colony diameter measurements. Each point represents the mean of at least three independent experiments ± standard deviation.