# **Enzyme Fingerprints of Activity, and Stereo- and Enantioselectivity from Fluorogenic and Chromogenic Substrate Arrays**

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**Abstract:** A series of stereochemically and structurally diverse fluorogenic and chromogenic substrates for hydrolytic enzymes has been synthesized and used to characterize enzyme activity profiles of esterases, lipases, proteases, peptidases, phosphatases, and epoxide hydrolases. The substrates used are particularly resilient to nonspecific reactions due to their mechanism of activation. The activities recorded with the individual substrates are therefore remarkably reproducible, and enable us to use the overall pattern of activity as a specific

**Keywords:** amidases • enzyme catalysis • enzymes • epoxide hydrolases • esterases • fluorogenic assays • high-throughput screening fingerprint for the enzyme sample. Fingerprints of activity, and enantio- and stereoselectivity are displayed as arrays of color-scale squares that are easily analyzed visually. Such fingerprints might be useful for quality control, enzyme discovery, and possibly for addressing the issue of functional convergence in enzymes.

# Introduction

Enzymes are finding numerous uses as mild, environmentally benign and selective catalysts in a variety of settings, including consumer products, diagnostics, laboratory kits, and in the production of fine chemicals.<sup>[1]</sup> Potentially useful enzymes are isolated by screening samples isolated from the biosphere, and their properties are engineered by the techniques of directed evolution.<sup>[2]</sup> In this exercise, success depends critically on high-throughput screening assays for the desired biotransformation.<sup>[3]</sup> We have recently developed a broad class of fluorogenic enzyme substrates that enable to assay a variety of enzymatic activities, including alcohol dehydrogenases,<sup>[4]</sup> aldolases,<sup>[5]</sup> and hydrolases such as lipases and esterases, proteases, phosphatases, and epoxide hydrolases.<sup>[6]</sup> These substrates combine high sensitivity, selectivity, and the possibility to test enantioselectivity and stereoselectivity with a simple format suitable for high-throughput screening. Herein we present the synthesis of a large set of periodatecoupled fluorogenic and chromogenic substrates. We then show that these substrates can be assembled into arrays that

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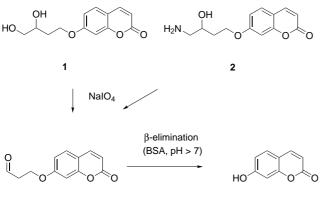
[c] Dr. D. Wahler, Dr. F. Badalassi These authors contributed equally to the work. can be used to record enzyme-specific activity fingerprints.<sup>[7]</sup> Visual recognition of the global activity fingerprint is presented as arrays of squares with a two-color scale combining stereoselectivity and activity.

# Results

Assay principle: Our enzyme assay is based on substrates that release diol 1 or amino alcohol 2 as reaction products. When the reaction is carried out in the presence of sodium periodate (NaIO<sub>4</sub>) and bovine serum albumin (BSA) at slightly basic pH, the reaction product diol 1 or amino alcohol 2 undergoes an oxidative carbon–carbon bond cleavage, which releases aldehyde 3. Aldehyde 3 then liberates the fluorescent product umbelliferone (4) through a  $\beta$ -elimination catalyzed by BSA (Scheme 1).<sup>[8]</sup>

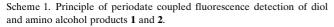
Substrates such as acetates **5a/b**, epoxide **6**, amide **7** or phosphate **8**, which can be hydrolyzed to the oxidation sensitive products **1** and **2** by the corresponding enzyme, remain untouched by the oxidant. Therefore the enzymatic hydrolysis of these substrates induces a fluorescence increase, caused by the liberation of **4**, when the reaction is carried out in the presence of NaIO<sub>4</sub> and BSA. These reagents are found to be compatible with each other and with a variety of enzymes when used in aqueous buffer. Substrates **5**–**8** can be prepared in optically pure form of either enantiomers, which allows us to assay enzymes not only for catalysis, but also for enantioselectivity. Remarkably, the substrates are also chemically rather unreactive. Even ester **5a** and epoxide **6**, which are the chemically most reactive substrates, are stable at basic

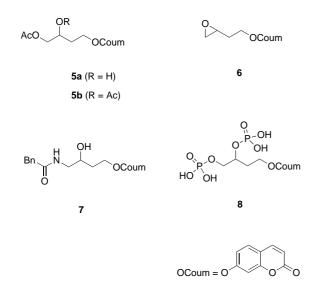
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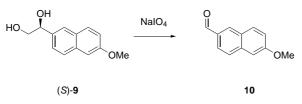
umbelliferone (4)





pH (pH 8.8) in the presence of BSA (2 mgmL<sup>-1</sup>) for at least 12 hours, under which conditions simple enzyme substrates such as nitrophenyl butyrate or umbelliferyl butyrate have a half-life of less than one minute.

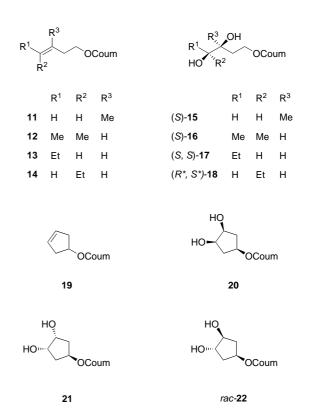
The periodate oxidation step involved in the assay is applicable to most diols or amino alcohols irrespective of the substitution pattern. A similar yet simpler revelation scheme can be devised if diol 9 is formed as the primary diol product, whose periodate oxidation releases the strongly fluorescent 6-methoxynaphthaldehyde 10 (Scheme 2).<sup>[9]</sup>



Scheme 2. Fluorogenic oxidation of 6-methoxynaphthalene derivatives.

Synthesis: We used Sharpless's asymmetric dihydroxylation of olefins as a versatile entry into preparatively useful amounts of chiral diols as fluorogenic or chromogenic substrates. Procedures were in turn available to convert these into useful

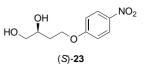
epoxide and amino alcohol functional groups to access further substrates. Simple commercially available homoallylic alcohols and bromides were chosen as starting materials, with the aim of generating a family of fluorogenic enzyme substrates displaying methyl, methylene, or ethyl groups in various arrangements close to the enzyme reactive groups. The homoallylic ethers 11-14 and 19 were obtained by ether formation between umbelliferone and the corresponding homoallylic tosylates or halides. Asymmetric dihydroxylation

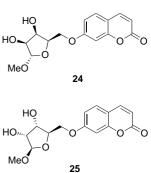


with either AD-mix- $\alpha$  or AD-mix- $\beta$  gave the optically active diols 15-17 in R and S configuration, respectively, except for dihydroxylation of the Z-olefin 14, which gave racemic diol 18 with both reagents.<sup>[10]</sup> The corresponding racemic diols as well as the stereoisomeric meso-diols 20 and 21 were obtained by OsO4-catalyzed dihydroxylation. The corresponding trans-

diol 22 was obtained in racemic form by hydrolysis of the epoxide of olefin 19 (see below).

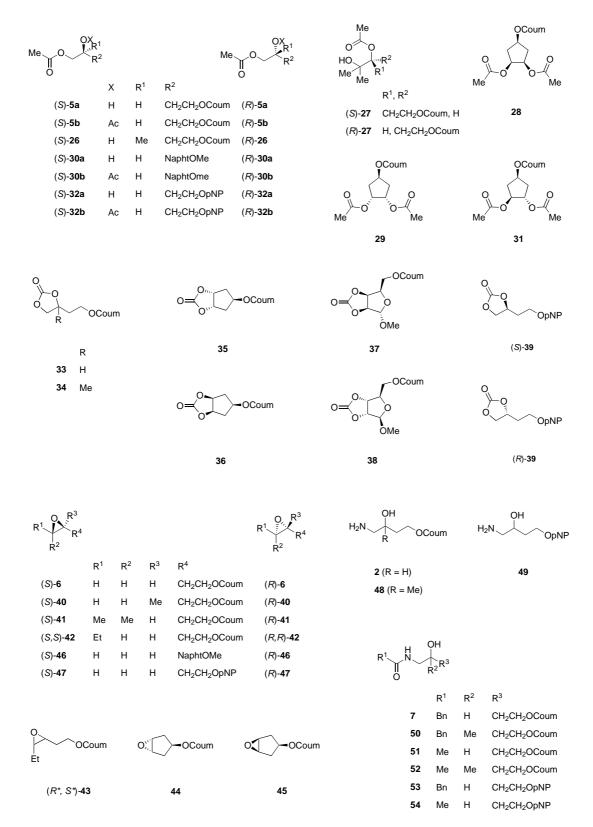
The fluorogenic naphthalene derived diols (R)- and (S)-9 were also obtained by Sharpless asymmetric dihydroxylation. In addition, the nitrophenyl derivatives (R)and (S)-23 were prepared to provide a series of chromogenic substrates. Finally, cyclic diols 24 and 25 were prepared from D-lyxose and D-ribose, respectively.





Partial or complete acetylation of diols 9, 15, 16, and 20-23 gave mono- and diacetates 26-32 to expand the series of 5 a/b as potential substrates for lipases and esterases. Further candidate substrates for these enzymes were obtained in the form of fluorogenic carbonates substrates 33-38, and chromogenic carbonate 39, prepared by reaction of diols *rac-1*, *rac-*15, 20, 21, and 23-25 with carbonyl diimidazole.

To obtain substrates for epoxide hydrolases related to epoxide 6, chiral diols 9, 15-17, and 23 were converted to epoxides 40-42, 46 and 47 in both enantiomeric series by using Sharpless' one-pot procedure, which proceeds by double inversion at the less substituted hydroxyl function.<sup>[11]</sup> Racemic epoxide 43, the *meso*-epoxides 44 and 45, as well as the racemic forms of the other epoxides were

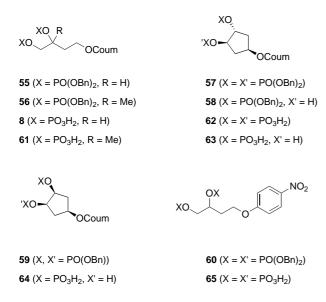


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obtained by epoxidation of the corresponding olefins with *m*-CPBA.

Substrates for amidase enzymes similar to 7 were obtained by aminolysis of racemic epoxides 6, 40, and 47, which proceeded chemoselectively at the primary carbon under catalysis by lanthanide salts.<sup>[12]</sup> The resulting primary amines (2, 48, 49) were then acylated to amides 50-54.

The phosphorylation of several diols was investigated to access various phosphatase substrates related to bisphosphate 8. Phosphorylation was carried out by phosphoramidite chemistry, giving first the protected phosphates 55-60. Debenzylation by a brief hydrogenation, in a period too short to observe any reduction of the coumarine nucleus, and purification by preparative reverse-phase HPLC gave phosphates 61-65.



**Enzyme measurements:** All substrates were used as 2mM stock solutions in aqueous DMF or water. First, the maximum observable rate with each substrate type was determined by measuring the rate of product release from each diol or amino alcohol reaction product. All diols released the corresponding fluorescent or colored product upon reaction with sodium periodate and BSA both at neutral and at slightly basic pH (Table 1). The reaction rates of these diols and amino alcohols marks the maximum observable rate of fluorescence release in this assay.

The clean reactivity of NaIO<sub>4</sub> under these conditions was somewhat unexpected, since the working pH for this oxidant is usually reported to be acidic (pH 4.5–5.5). The compatibility of the oxidation reaction with a basic pH was welcome as the chromo/fluorogenic assay was impractical at acidic pH. Indeed an acidic pH makes the secondary  $\beta$ -elimination reaction catalyzed by BSA much slower and the fluorescence/ absorbency differences between ethers and free umbelliferone/nitrophenol too weak to give a useful signal modulation.

The series of substrates were used to investigate the reactivity of commercially available hydrolytic enzymes, including lipases, esterases, acylases, proteases, and two epoxide hydrolases. The substrates were distributed in 96-

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Table 1. Rates for the conversion of diols/amino alcohols to colored/  $fluorescent\ products.^{[a]}$ 

diol/ amino alcohol	product	V [рм s <sup>-1</sup> ] pH 7.2	V [рм s <sup>-1</sup> ] pH 8.8
1	umbelliferone(4)	105000	155 000
9	naphthaldehyde(10)	485 000	340 000
15	umbelliferone(4)	80 000	135 000
16	umbelliferone(4)	165000	170 000
17	umbelliferone(4)	170000	50 000
18	umbelliferone(4)	95000	35 000
20	umbelliferone(4)	30 0 0 0	70 000
21	umbelliferone(4)	30 0 0 0	115000
22	umbelliferone(4)	30 0 0 0	30 000
23	<i>p</i> -nitrophenol	220 000	155 000
24	umbelliferone( <b>4</b> )	10000	10000
25	umbelliferone(4)	10000	15000
2	umbelliferone(4)	70000	115000
48	umbelliferone(4)	15000	25 000
49	<i>p</i> -nitrophenol	240 000	430 000
(R)- <b>46</b> <sup>[b]</sup>	naphthaldehyde(10)	_	20 000

[a] Initial rate of product formation. Conditions: 0.1 mM diol/amino alcohol in 20 mM phosphate buffer pH 7.2, or 20 mM aq. borate buffer pH 8.8, 26 °C, containing 1 mM NaIO<sub>4</sub> and 2 mg mL<sup>-1</sup> BSA. Fluorescence/absorbency values were converted to product concentration according to calibration curves with pure products in the corresponding buffers containing sodium periodate and BSA. The error margin on the rates given is  $\pm 10$ %. [b] Stereospecific reaction with BSA.

well microtiter plates, and each enzyme was assayed simultaneously with the whole series of substrates. The fluorogenic substrates were distributed in 40 samples as a  $5 \times 8$  array (two enzymes per plate), and the corresponding chromogenic substrates as a  $4 \times 3$  array (eight enzymes per plate). In each case two positive controls were included with diols or amino alcohols reaction products (Figure 1).

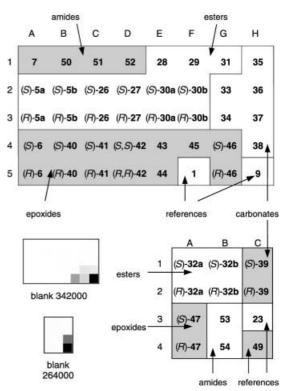


Figure 1. Array layout for activity measurements with chromogenic and fluorogenic substrates.

All enzymes were used at a concentration of 0.1 mgmL<sup>-1</sup> of the supplied solid or suspension, unless otherwise stated (Table 2). Reaction progress with each substrate was followed over two hours with a plate-reader instrument (Figure 2). The recorded signals (fluorescence or absorbency) were converted to product concentration by using a calibration curve. The steepest portion of each rate profile was then used to calculate the apparent reaction rate  $V_{app}$  in each well. The rates observed in the array without enzyme are very small except for the positive controls and the naphthalene epoxide (*R*)-46, which seems to undergo a stereospecific reaction with BSA. These rates were subtracted from the rates observed with enzymes, and the resulting net rates were used to compute the enzymatic activity profiles.

The fluorogenic phosphatase substrates, which were available only in small amounts due to the need for preparative HPLC purification, were tested separately against alkaline phosphatase and three different phytases, which are acidic phosphatase that hydrolyze phytic acid. Since these enzymes distinguish themselves mainly in their pH-activity profile, we applied a two-step procedure involving 1) an incubation at a given pH for a fixed time, and 2) a pH adjustment followed by

Table 2. Enzymes tested by using fluoro/chromogenic substrate arrays.

Code	Name <sup>[a]</sup>	Specific activity [Umg <sup>-1</sup> ]	Best substrate	Rate [pm s <sup>-1</sup> ]
PSBL	Pseudomonas sp. B lipoprotein lipase (F62336)	160 <sup>[d]</sup>	32 a	50 500
PFL	Pseudomonas fluorescens lipase (F62321)	3 500 <sup>[e]</sup>	30 a	31 800
PSL1	Pseudomonas sp. lipoprotein lipase (SL-9656)	50 000 <sup>[d]</sup>	32 a	27 500
PSL2	Pseudomonas sp. lipoprotein lipase (F62335)	1 500 <sup>[e]</sup>	32 a	17700
WGL	wheat germ lipase (F62306)	0.1 <sup>[e]</sup>	30 b	11300
CVL	Chromobacterium visc. lipoprotein lipase (F62333)	2 500 <sup>[e]</sup>	32 a	11100
ANL1	Aspergillus niger lipase (A39,043-7)	_	26	10200
CAL	Candida antarctica lipase (F62299)	3 <sup>[e]</sup>	30 a	9600
CLL	Candida lipolytica lipase (F62303)	0.001 <sup>[e]</sup>	47	7 500
RNL	Rhizopus niveus lipase (F62310)	0.0025 <sup>[e]</sup>	39	7400
RML	Rhizomucor miehei lipase (F62291)	0.5 <sup>[e]</sup>	30 a	6800
HPL	hog pancreatic lipase (F62300)	20 <sup>[f]</sup>	32 a	5800
PCL1	Pseudomonas cepacia lipase (F62312)	40 <sup>[e]</sup>	32 a	5600
MJL	Mucor javanicus lipase (F62304)	0.005 <sup>[e]</sup>	47	2800
AOL	Aspergillus oryzae lipase (F62285)	50 <sup>[e]</sup>	32 a	2700
PCL2	Pseudomonas cepacia lipase (F62309)	50 <sup>[e]</sup>	53	2600
CCL	Candida cylindracea lipase (F62316)	2 <sup>[e]</sup>	32 a	1700
MML	Mucor miehei lipase (F62298)	1 <sup>[e]</sup>	31	1 500
ANL2	Aspergillus niger lipase (F62294)	1 <sup>[e]</sup>	30 a	1 1 0 0
PRL	Penicillium roqueforti lipase (F62308)	150 <sup>[e]</sup>	53	720
RAL	Rhizopus arrhizus lipase (F62305)	0.002 <sup>[e]</sup>	6	330
PLE	pig liver esterase (F46058)	220 <sup>[g]</sup>	30 b	228000
AChE	Electrophorus electricus acetylcholine esterase (F01023)	300 <sup>[h]</sup>	5a	51400
BStE	Bacillus stearothermophilus esterase (F46051)	0.4 <sup>[i]</sup>	5a	9900
BSE	Bacillus sp. esterase (F46062)	0.1 <sup>[g]</sup>	39	7 500
CLE	Candida lipolytica esterase (F46056)	0.1 <sup>[g]</sup>	54	5200
BTE	Bacillus thermoglucosidasius esterase (F46054)	0.1 <sup>[g]</sup>	39	3800
TBE	Thermoanaerobium brockii esterase (F46061)	$0.002^{[g]}$	36	2600
HrLE	horse liver esterase (F46069)	0.7 <sup>[j]</sup>	5a	2500
MME	Mucor miehei esterase (F46059)	1 <sup>[g]</sup>	53	2500
SCE	Saccharomyces cerevisiae esterase (F46071)	$0.002^{[g]}$	32 a	1800
PGA	Escherichia coli penicillin G acylase (F76427)	30	7	152000
HKA	hog kidney acylase I (F01821)	15	26	4800
Chy	bovine pancreatic $\alpha$ -chymotrypsin (SC-4129)	37	54	3800
Clos	Clostridium histolyticum clostripain (SC-0888)	100	39	3 500
Try	hog pancreatic trypsin (F93615)	1645	39	1700
Ela	porcine pancreatic elastase (Se20929)	180	30 a	1 500
Pep	porcine stomach mucosa pepsin (SP-6887)	4150 <sup>[k]</sup>	53	870
Pap	Papaya latex papain (SR-4762)	30	53	850
AMA	Aspergillus melleus acylase I (F01818)	0.5	5a	700
The	Bacillus thermoproteolyticus thermolysin (BM161586)	35	53	530
AEH	Aspergillus niger epoxide hydrolase <sup>[b]</sup>	_	47	173 000
REH	Rhodotorula glutinis epoxide hydrolase <sup>[c]</sup>	_	47	170 000

[a] Product reference from each provider are given according the following abbreviations: F Fluka, A Aldrich, S Sigma, BM Boehringer Mannheim, Se Serva. [b] Sample provided by Prof. R. Furstoss and Dr. A. Archelas from the Faculté des Sciences de Luminy, Marseille (France). [c] Sample provided by Dr. C. Weijers at the Department of Food Technology and Nutrition Sciences, Wageningen University (The Netherlands). [d] 1 U corresponds to the amount of enzyme which liberates 1 µmol oleic acid per minute at pH 8.0 and 37 °C (cholesteryl oleat as substrate). [e] 1 U corresponds to the amount of enzyme which liberates 1 µmol oleic acid per minute at pH 8.0 and 30 °C (triolein as substrate). [f] 1 U corresponds to the amount of enzyme which liberates 1 µmol oleic acid per minute at pH 8.0 and 40 °C (triolein as substrate). [f] 1 U corresponds to the amount of enzyme which liberates 1 µmol oleic acid per minute at pH 8.0 and 40 °C (triolein as substrate). [f] 1 U corresponds to the amount of enzyme which liberates 1 µmol oleic acid per minute at pH 8.0 and 40 °C (triolein as substrate). [g] 1 U corresponds to the amount of enzyme which hydrolyzes 1 µmol ethyl *n*-valerate per minute at pH 8.0 and 25 °C. [h] 1 U corresponds to the amount of enzyme which liberates 1 µmol 4-nitrophenol per minute at pH 7.0 and 65 °C (4-nitrophenyl-*n*-caproate as substrate). [j] 1 U corresponds to the amount of enzyme which hydrolyzes 1 µmol ethyl *n*-butyrate per minute at pH 8.0 and 25 °C. [k] 1 U will produce a  $\Delta A_{280}$  of 0.001 per minute at pH 2.0 and 37 °C, measured as TCA-soluble products using hemoglobin as substrate.

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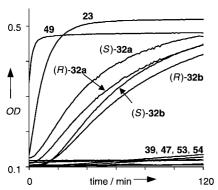


Figure 2. Time course of optical density (OD, at  $\lambda = 405$  nm) observed for the reaction of *Pseudomonas fluorescens* lipase with the chromogenic substrates array. Conditions: 0.1 mg mL<sup>-1</sup> enzyme, 100 µM substrate, 20 mM aq. borate pH 8.8, 2 mg. mL<sup>-1</sup> BSA, 1 mM NaIO<sub>4</sub>. The rates derived from these curves for the different substrates are as follows: **49** 20900 pM s<sup>-1</sup>, **23** 130 800 pM s<sup>-1</sup>, (*S*)-**32a** 31 800 pM s<sup>-1</sup>, (*S*)-**32b** 25500 pM s<sup>-1</sup>, (*R*)-**32a** 25000 pM s<sup>-1</sup>, (*R*)-**32b** 22 000 pM s<sup>-1</sup>, **54** 4000 pM s<sup>-1</sup>, (*R*)-**39** 2600 pM s<sup>-1</sup>, (*S*)-**39** 2300 pM s<sup>-1</sup>, **53** 1600 pM s<sup>-1</sup>, (*S*)-**47** 1400 pM s<sup>-1</sup>, (*R*)-**47** 1300 pM s<sup>-1</sup>. See also text and Experimental Section.

treatment with periodate and BSA to reveal the amount of free diol formed. There was no measurable background hydrolysis of any of the phosphatase substrates under the reaction conditions; this is not unexpected due to the known stability of aliphatic phosphates towards hydrolysis.

Activity arrays (gray scale): The reaction rates observed with the different substrates can be displayed graphically as an array of gray-scale squares corresponding to the microtiterplate layout, as we have shown previously.<sup>[7]</sup> These displays are generated by simple conversion of the rate-data to a portable-gray-map (.pgm) file format, which is recognized by common photographic software (see Experimental Section). The measurements for the phosphatase substrates are displayed similarly by combining the measurements done at the

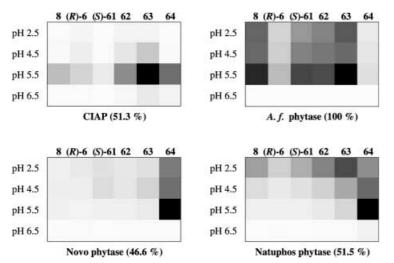


Figure 3. Activity-pH profile as array for phosphatase substrates. Below each array is indicated the enzyme name (CIAP: calf intestinal alkaline phosphatase, *A.f.* phytase: *Aspergillus ficuum* phytase), together with the percentage of substrate conversion as measured in the conditions of the test. Conditions:  $0.1 \text{ mg mL}^{-1}$  enzyme,  $100 \mu \text{m}$  substrate, 10 mm aq. citrate, acetate or phosphate with 1 mm CaCl<sub>2</sub>,  $55^{\circ}$ C,  $2 \text{ mg mL}^{-1}$  BSA, 1 mm NaIO<sub>4</sub>. Enzymes and substrates are incubated 1 hour at the desired pH and  $55^{\circ}$ C, and the pH is then adjusted to 7.2 with 0.5 m aq. dibasic phosphate. Sodium periodate and BSA are added, and the assays incubated for a further 60 minutes before fluorescence reading.

different pH values. The gray-scale pattern is proportional to the maximum concentration of product formed with each enzyme at any pH, set as full black (Figure 3). To our surprise, our measurements showed that alkaline phosphatase reacts quite well with our diphosphates at pH 5.5, so that our substrates do not allow us to distinguish well between the acidic phytases and alcaline phosphatases.

Selectivity arrays (color): Due to the importance of stereoand enantioselectivity as property of enzymes in synthetic applications, we propose here a colored array display that combines the intensity scale as above with a color scale of green to red for stereoselectivity. This display is generated by converting the data to the portable-pixel-map (.ppm) format (see Experimental Section). In this display, enantiomeric and stereoisomeric pairs of substrates are combined in one position. Selectivity arrays were generated by combining the rate data from both the chromogenic and the fluorogenic substrate arrays. Racemic or achiral substrates are also reported in simple gray scale, such that these selectivity arrays show the entire set of measurements done. Although the grid does not correspond to an actual microtiter-plate layout, the information on the activity and the selectivity of each enzyme is rendered more clearly by this display (Figure 4).

### Discussion

**Fingerprints**: We have found that all measurements with our substrate arrays are reproducible within 10% of each rate. The patterns observed consistently appear indistinguishable from one measurement to the next. Therefore one may consider that the measurement delivers a specific fingerprint for the enzyme sample. This is to be attributed mainly to the resilience of our periodate-coupled enzyme substrates to

nonspecific reactions, which makes them particularly selective probes for true enzyme activities. A similar pattern analysis based on qualitative tests of enzyme activities by using nineteen different enzyme substrates is used to identify microorganisms and is known to microbiologists under the name APIZYM.<sup>[13]</sup>

The fingerprint recorded with our substrates for a sample could generally be either sample-specific or enzyme-specific depending on purity. Indeed, as for any enzyme assay, the reactivities observed may stem either from the listed enzyme, or from other enzyme impurities. The commercial preparations used here are not highly purified, and the fingerprints ob-

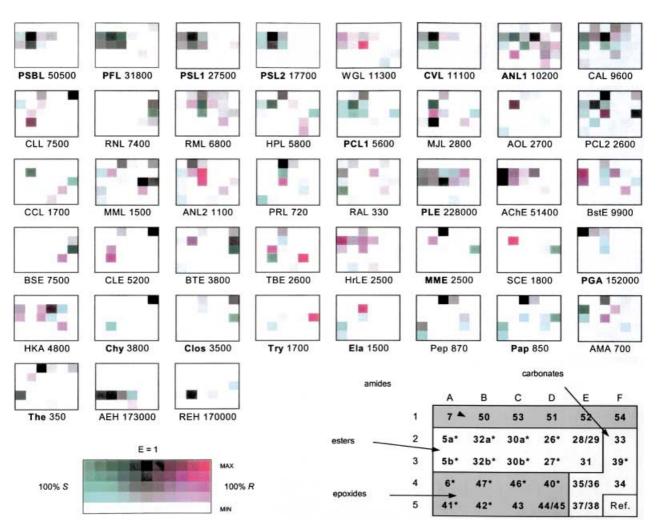


Figure 4. Selectivity arrays for enzyme activities. Substrates marked \* in the layout (bottom right) are enantiomeric pairs. Below each array: Enzyme code, and apparent maximum rate in  $pMs^{-1}$ , which appears as the darkest (gray scale or color) square in each array. Enzymes marked in bold appear homogeneous (>90%) by SDS-PAGE analysis (key for enzymes in Table 2). Conditions: 0.1 mg mL<sup>-1</sup> enzyme, 100 µM substrate, 20 mM aq. borate pH 8.8 with 2.5% v/v DMF, 26°C, 2 mg mL<sup>-1</sup> BSA, 1 mM NaIO<sub>4</sub>. To view this figure at a better resolution, please access the html data on Wiley Interscience (www.interscience.wiley.com).

served in this study are most probably batch-specific, as suggested, for example, by the different fingerprints observed with two different samples of the lipoprotein lipase of *Pseudomonas species* sold under two different product numbers by Fluka (PSL1 and PSL2).

Enzyme purity and substrate reactivities: Gel electrophoresis (SDS-PAGE) shows a strong, main band by commassie-blue staining for fifteen of the 43 samples tested, while most others contains only traces of detectable protein. These fifteen samples are presumably pure, or at least contain a large amount of a single protein which is presumably the listed enzyme (code in bold in Table 2 and Figure 4). There is no correlation between sample purity and the level of activity as defined either by the best array substrate or by the manufacturers data; this is not unexpected since enzymes have very different activity levels. In several cases unexpected functional groups occur as excellent substrates of certain enzymes, such as monoacetate (R)-30 a for elastase, carbonate (R)-39 for trypsin. Acetamide 54 reacts with Candida lipolytica esterase (CLE) and Candida lipolytica lipase (CLL), which is accompanied in both cases by a similarly weaker activity with

the corresponding nitrophenol-derived phenylacetamide **53**. This pattern might show a protease impurity from this microorganism with an activity related to chymotrypsin (Chy), which reacts similarly with these two amide substrates. The weak, yet significant reactivites observed with the papain sample with phenylacetamide **53** is difficult to explain, since this thiol protease should be inactivated by oxidation in the presence of sodium periodate.

As mentionned above, epoxide (R)-46 reacts in the reference plate without enzyme by a stereospecific reaction with BSA, which could be either hydrolysis or an alkylation of lysine residues, which both give periodate-sensitive products. The measurement with this substrate showed poor reproducibility and serveral artifacts; activities within 30% of the reference rate (Table 1) were ignored. Several other reactions of epoxide substrates are observed, such as the reaction of both enantiomers of 47, which are the strongest reactivity observed with the lipase of *Mucor javanicus* (MJL). Epoxide reactivities occur at overall low activity levels and very probably reflect hydrolysis or alkylation reactions with either lysine side-chains of the proteins or other nucleophiles. Specific alkylation of proteins can be targeted to enzyme

active sites by using covalent inhibitors,<sup>[14]</sup> but may also occur generally and can used as a labeling strategy in the context of activity-based proteome analysis.<sup>[15]</sup>

**Enzyme activities**: Enzyme activities are classically defined and measured in Units (U), which corresponds to a micromole of a given reaction product produced per minute. Units are usually given per milligram of enzyme preparation ( $Umg^{-1}$ ), as measured under a defined set of conditions, including a particular substrate at saturating concentration, buffer, pH, and temperature. Whether the substrate used is actually a good substrate for the enzyme, or the fact that some of the activity observed in a given test may be induced by nonenzymic impurities present in the enzyme sample being tested (typically when using nitrophenyl esters for lipases), is not being considered.

Here we have addressed the issue of measuring an enzyme's activity from a different viewpoint that encompasses a broader set of parameters. Using the periodate-coupled fluorogenic and chromogenic substrates solves the problem of nonspecific reactions, and guarantees that actual enzyme activities are being measured. By scanning a broad variety of substrates, we also address the issue of finding the best substrate for any given enzyme (Table 2). The series of substrates used here is very limited and was selected to provide stereochemical and structural diversity in a welldefined structure space that is quite remote from the optimum for many enzymes. Triglycerides of long-chain acids are the best substrates for lipases,<sup>[16]</sup> and none of these is included in our arrays. In the present series the monoacetates 30 a and 32 a are consistently the best substrates for lipases. The phenylacetamides 7, 50, and 53 possess the optimal acyl group for the enzyme penicillin G acylase, and react strongly with this enzyme. However we do not have any peptide substrates, which are the natural best substrates for proteases and can be used in combinatorial format for activity profiling of these enzymes.<sup>[17]</sup> The linear epoxides 6 and 47 react stronly with the epoxide hydrolases and are certainly excellent reporter substrates for these enzymes, in accordance with the fact that epoxide hydrolases react well with a broad variety of terminal epoxides.<sup>[18]</sup> Our measurement uses dilute substrates to enable to read stereoselectivities (see below), and, therefore, a direct comparison with Units is not possible. Nevertheless, our fingerprint measurement delivers a qualitatively much more complete assessment of enzyme activity than a single determination of Units.[19]

**Stereoselectivity:** In terms of synthetic applications, stereoselectivity is the most important property of enzymes beside their catalytic activity. Measuring isolated stereoisomers of a substrate separately reflects stereoselectivity in the sense of a kinetic resolution if the substrate concentrations used are below the Michaelis – Menten dissociation constant  $K_{\rm M}$  of the substrates.<sup>[4][20]</sup> This condition is fulfilled in most cases with our assay, which uses a concentration of 100 µM for all substrates. This high dilution is possible due to the high sensitivity of detection of the end product, nitrophenol and umbelliferone, formed after the oxidative decomposition of the primary hydrolysis products. The stereoselectivities observed on our limited substrate series does not allow to predict the general utility of an enzyme for stereoselective reactions. In the present context, we find that probing enzyme activity with separated stereoisomers is a good way to differentiate between enzymes in the sense of producing selective fingerprints.

**Array display**: When dealing with large sets of measurements, the method used to display the results is quite important in making those results readable and interpretable. The two-color array display proposed here renders simultaneously activity and stereoselectivity on a large number of substrates and enzymes in compact manner, and, therefore, enables a manageable overview. It must be pointed out that the calculation and data formatting involved is minimal, extremely easy, and does not require any special software. This display might prove useful to show selectivity tables for other types of catalysts and substrates. The only drawback of the two-color display is of course its inacessibility to color-blind readers.

## Conclusion

We have shown that periodate-coupled fluorogenic and chromogenic enzyme substrates can be assembled into arrays that allow to record specific activity and stereoselectivity fingerprints of enzymes. The most important aspect of these substrates is their resilience to nonspecific degradation, and the fact that our measurements are highly reproducible certainly depends on this property. Although the number of substrates used is small, it is well possible that such a limited substrate array will be sufficient to differentiate between thousands of enzymes. The key to a differentiating array is indeed not necessarily the absolute number of substrates used, but whether these show differential reactivities with different enzymes. We have installed structural and stereochemical variations very close to the reacting functional group of our substrates, and this probably explains the excellent differentiation observed here.

We are now enlarging and optimizing the structural and functional types to be integrated and the array to address all enzyme classes simultaneously. Specialized substrate arrays concentrated on one or two functional types might also prove useful to address the problem of functional convergence in enzymes. The interesting question to ask with such arrays will be whether two enzymes reacting identically on a given set of substrates, say 100 substrates, will also show the same activity for their reaction with the 101st substrate. If this is indeed the case, then classifying enzymes according to their fingerprints will be useful to pre-select enzymes for testing in synthetic applications. Activity analysis using substrate arrays might also allow to characterize and better understand the results of enzyme evolution experiments.

#### **Experimental Section**

**General:** All reactions were followed by TLC on Alugram SIL  $G/UV_{254}$  silica gel sheets (Macherey-Nagel) with detection by UV or with 0.5%

phosphomolybdic acid solution in 95% EtOH. Silica gel 60 (Macherey-Nagel 230-400 mesh) was used for flash chromatography. Elution conditions given correspond to a retention factor  $R_{\rm f} = 0.3$  unless otherwise stated. Preparative TLC were performed on 0.5 or 2.0 mm Macherey-Nagel DC-Fertigplatten UV<sub>254</sub> silica gel plates. Melting points were determined on a Kofler apparatus or with a Büchi 510 apparatus and are uncorrected. Optical rotations were measured with a Perkin-Elmer 241 digital polarimeter with a 1 dm cell. <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded with Bruker AC-200, AC-300 or Varian Gemini 200 spectrometers. Infra-red spectroscopy was performed on a Perkin-Elmer 1600 or Perkin-Elmer Spectrum One series FTIR apparatus. HPLC was done on a Waters 600 cntroller with a Waters 996 photodiode array detector, by using three different solvents: A (0.1% TFA in H<sub>2</sub>O), B (H<sub>2</sub>O/CH<sub>3</sub>CN 50/50) and C (H2O). Preparative HPLC was performed on a Waters Prep LC and Delta Prep 4000 with a Waters 486 tunable absorbance detector. The ee of all the epoxides were directly determined by analysis on a chiral HPLC column OD-H (Daicel: 25 cm  $\times$  0.46 cm inner diameter) with hexane/*i*PrOH as the eluent. Only in the case of epoxides (R)-, (S)-46 and (R)-, (S)-47 were the ee derived from those obtained in the same way for the corresponding precursors, the diols (R)-, (S)-9, and (R)-, (S)-23, respectively, by admitting that in the cyclization process<sup>[11]</sup> no change in the *ee* should occur (Table 3). The following compounds were prepared as previously described: 3-cyclopentenol,[21] the mixture (3:1) of 4-methyl-3-penten-1-ol and 4-methyl-4penten-1-ol,<sup>[22]</sup> 3-butenyl-1-tosylate,<sup>[23a]</sup> (E)-3-hexenyl-1-tosylate,<sup>[23a]</sup> (Z)-3hexenyl-1-tosylate,<sup>[23b]</sup> 3-methyl-3-butenyl-1-tosylate,<sup>[23c]</sup> 6-methoxy-2naphtaldeyde,<sup>[24]</sup> methyl-2,3-O-isopropylidene-5-O-p-toluenesulfonyl-a-Llyxofuranoside,[25] and methyl-2,3-O-isopropylidene-5-O-p-toluenesulfonyl- $\beta$ -D-ribofuranoside.<sup>[26]</sup>

Table 3. Chiral HPLC data for epoxides and diols.

Compound	ee [%]	Conditions <sup>[a]</sup>	$t_{\rm R}$ [min]
(R)- <b>6</b>	96	а	36.4
(S)-6	87		40.1
(R)- <b>40</b>	94	b	38.1
(S)-40	92		34.8
(R)- <b>41</b>	99	b	38.0
(S)- <b>41</b>	70		33.8
(R,R)-42	> 99	b	36.5
(S,S)- <b>42</b>	> 99		32.5
(R)-9	> 99	с	26.1
(S)-9	> 99		32.4
(R)-23	96	с	41.8
(S)- <b>23</b>	96		45.5

[a] Injection condition analysis on chiral HPLC column OD-H (Daicel: 25 cm × 0.46 i.d); a: 8:2 hexane/*i*PrOH, 0.5 mLmin<sup>-1</sup>,  $\lambda = 320$  nm; b: 8.5:1.5 hexane/*i*PrOH, 0.5 mLmin<sup>-1</sup>,  $\lambda = 320$  nm; c: 9:1 hexane/*i*PrOH, 0.5 mLmin<sup>-1</sup>,  $\lambda = 230$  nm.

( $\pm$ )-7-(3,4-Dihydroxybutyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (1): The following procedure is typical. A solution of 69 (0.432 g, 2.0 mmol) in an acetone/ water mixture (2.5:1; 15 mL) was treated at 25 °C under stirring with Nmethylmorpholine-N-oxide (0.281 g, 1.2 equiv) and 2.5% solution of OsO4 in tBuOH (0.1 mL) and stirred at 20 °C for 18 h. 10% aqueous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> (2 mL) was added and stirring was prolonged for 30 min. The product was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL), washed (saturated aqueous NaCl), and purified by flash chromatography (7:3 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) to give 1 (0.440 g, 88 %) as a solid. M.p. 97 – 99 °C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3300$  (brs), 2934 (w), 2876 (w), 1724 (s), 1611 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 7.83$  (d, J =9.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.47 (d, J=8.3 Hz, 1 H), 6.92-6.85 (m, 2 H), 6.21 (d, J= 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.23 – 4.16 (m, 2 H), 3.93 – 3.81 (m, 1 H), 3.54 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.13-1.97 (m, 1H), 1.91-1.74 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 163.51, 162.94, 156.64, 145.32, 129.99, 113.76, 113.51, 112.86, 101.83,$ 69.58, 67.03, 66.14, 33.54; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 62.39, H 5.64; found: C 62.24, H 5.87.

(S)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxybutyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (1): The following procedure is typical.<sup>[27]</sup> A solution of AD-mix- $\alpha$  (4.2 g) in 1:1 tBuOH/water (30 mL) was stirred at 25 °C until both phases were clear<sup>[28]</sup> and then was cooled at 0 °C. Olefin **69** (0.648 g, 3.0 mmol) was added and the slurry was stirred at 0 °C for 18 h, following the reaction by TLC. Solid Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> (4.5 g)

was added at 0 °C, and the resulting reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred at this temperature for 1 h. Extraction with EtOAc, evaporation, and flash chromatography (7:3 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave (*S*)-1 (0.60 g, 80%), as a solid. M.p. 92–93 °C;  $[a]_{D}^{20} = -22.4$  (*c* = 0.46, MeOH); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 62.39, H 5.64; found: C 62.11, H 5.87.

(*R*)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxybutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (1): When the same reaction on 69 (0.648 g, 3.0 mmol) was repeated by the use of ADmix- $\beta$ , pure (*R*)-1 (0.645 g, 86%) was obtained as a solid. M.p. 94–96°C;  $[\alpha]_{12}^{20} = +17.9 (c = 0.55, \text{MeOH})$ ; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 62.39, H 5.64; found: C 62.12, H 5.41.

(±)-7-(4-Amino-3-hydroxybutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (2): *The following procedure is typical.* A solution of epoxide 6 (0.464 g, 2.00 mmol) in EtOH saturated with NH<sub>3</sub> (16 mL) in a pressure tube was treated with Yb(OTf)<sub>3</sub><sup>[12]</sup> (10 mol%, 0.2 mmol, 0.124 g). The tube was sealed and the reaction was stirred at 25 °C for 1 h and then at 70 °C for 5 h (TLC). After cooling, the solution was filtered and evaporated to dryness to give pure 2 (0.448 g, 90%) as a yellow syrup. IR (KBr):  $\tilde{v} = 3419$  (brs), 2954 (w), 1708 (s), 1615 (s), 1284 (s), 1236 (s), 1161 (s), 1132 (s), 1031 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 7.83$  (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.00 – 6.73 (m, 2H), 6.21 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.73 (dd, J = 12.7, 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.10 – 1.70 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 163.77$ , 163.34, 157.01, 145.75, 130.45, 114.10, 113.35, 102.29, 68.71, 66.25, 47.65, 35.27; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>: C 62.64, H 6.07, N 5.62; found: C 62.46, H 6.39, N 5.49.

(±)-7-(4-Acetoxy-3-hydroxybutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (5a): *The following procedure is typical.* AcCl (0.36 mmol, 25 µL) was added to a solution of diol 1 (0.090 mg, 0.36 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (8.0 mL) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.72 mmol, 0.1 mL) at 0 °C, under an argon atmosphere, and the reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 1 h (TLC). Evaporation of the washed (brine) organic solution and preparative TLC (EtOAc/hexane 6:4) gave 5a (0.063 g, 60 %) as a semisolid. IR (neat):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3448$  (brs), 3088 (w), 2954 (w), 1733 (br, s), 1615 (s), 1403 (m), 1352 (m), 1282 (m), 1232 (s), 1129 (s), 1048 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.61$  (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 6.83 – 6.78 (m, 2H), 6.21 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.29 – 4.01 (m, 5H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 2.00 – 1.91 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 171.82$ , 162.58, 161.86, 156.52, 144.07, 129.49, 113.49, 113.33, 102.17, 69.22, 67.72, 65.70, 33.27, 21.52; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>6</sub>: C 61.64, H 5.52; found: C 61.47, H 5.23.

(*R*)-7-(4-Acetoxy-3-hydroxybutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (5a): Following the same procedure, diol (*R*)-1 (0.080 g, 0.32 mmol) yielded pure (*R*)-5 (0.053 g, 57%, 90% *ee*) as a semisolid:  $[\alpha]_{20}^{\infty} = +9.3$  (*c* = 0.30, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>6</sub>: C 61.64, H 5.52; found: C 61.91, H 5.79.

(S)-7-(4-Acetoxy-3-hydroxybutyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (5a): Following the same procedure, diol (S)-1 (0.090 g, 0.36 mmol) yielded pure (S)-5 (0.065 g, 62 %, 95 % *ee*), as a semisolid.  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -9.6 \ (c = 0.31, \text{CHCl}_3)$ ; elemental analysis calcd (%) for  $C_{15}H_{16}O_6$ : C 61.64, H 5.52; found: C 61.86, H 5.77.

(±)-7-(3,4-Diacetoxybutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (5b): *The following procedure is typical*. Ac<sub>2</sub>O (1 mL) was added to a solution of diol (±)-1 (0.040 g, 0.16 mmol) in dry pyridine (2 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction was left at 0 °C for 18 h. Co-evaporation of excess reagents with toluene followed by flash chromatography (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone 9:1) gave **5b** (0.051 g, 96%) as a white solid. M.p. 80–82 °C; IR (KBr):  $\bar{\nu}$ =3088 (w), 3057 (w), 2996 (w), 2954 (w), 1742 (s), 1722 (s), 1711 (s), 1623 (s), 1357 (m), 1286 (m), 1234 (brs), 1132 (m), 1031 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$ =7.61 (d, J=9.8 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (d, J=8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.82–6.74 (m, 2H), 6.22 (d, J=9.3 Hz, 1H), 5.35–5.24 (m, 1H), 4.32 (dd, J=11.7, 3.4 Hz, 1H), 4.15–3.97 (m, 2H), 4.10 (dd, J=11.7, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 2.16–2.05 (m, 2H), 2.05 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$ =171.25, 170.99, 162.29, 161.69, 156.40, 143.99, 129.46, 113.84, 113.55, 113.35, 101.88, 69.42, 65.47, 65.03, 30.96, 21.60, 21.37; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>7</sub>: C 61.07, H 5.43; found: C 61.29, H 5.68.

(*R*)-7-(3,4-Diacetoxybutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (5b): Following the procedure for  $(\pm)$ -5b, diol (*R*)-1 (0.100 g, 0.40 mmol) afforded pure (*R*)-5b (0.120 g, 90%, 90% *ee*) as a white solid. M.p. 76–78 °C;  $[\alpha]_{20}^{D} = +9.6 (c = 0.65, CHCl_3)$ ; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>7</sub>: C 61.07, H 5.43; found: C 60.84, H 5.21.

(S)-7-(3,4-Diacetoxybutyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (5b): Following the procedure for  $(\pm)$ -5b, diol (S)-1 (0.100 g, 0.40 mmol) afforded pure (S)-5b (0.123 g, 92%, 95% *ee*) as a white solid. M.p. 74–76°C;  $[a]_{D}^{20} = -9.8$  (c = 0.50, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>7</sub>: C 61.07, H 5.43; found: C 61.15, H 5.69.

(±)-7-(3,4-Epoxybutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (6): *The following procedure is typical.* A solution of **69** (0.75 g, 3.47 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (15 mL) was treated at 0 °C with 70 % *m*-CPBA (1.111 g, 4.51 mmol). After 18 h at 0 °C, the solution was washed (10 % aqueous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>, 5 % aqueous NaOH, and water), evaporated, and purified by flash chromatography (6:4 mixture of hexane/EtOAc) to give **6** (0.708 g, 88 %) as a solid. M.p. 67–69 °C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3084$  (w), 3051 (w), 2992 (w), 2961 (w) 2932 (w), 1714 (s), 1614 (s), 1295 (m), 1241 (m), 1136 (s), 1119 (s), 1020 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.58$  (d, 1H, J = 9.8 Hz), 7.31 (d, 1H, J = 8.3 Hz), 6.81–6.75 (m, 2H), 6.18 (d, 1H, J = 9.8 Hz), 4.19–4.03 (m, 2H), 3.14–3.05 (m, 1H), 2.78 (t, 1H, J = 4.9 Hz), 2.53 (dd, 1H, J = 4.9 Hz), 2.20–2.04 (m, 1H), 1.97–1.79 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 162.53$ , 161.84, 156.44, 144.08, 129.46, 113.78, 113.41, 113.29, 102.06, 65.93, 50.08, 47.80, 32.81; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 67.23, H 5.21; found: C 67.02, H 5.00.

(S)-7-(3,4-Epoxybutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (6): *The following procedure is typical*.<sup>[29]</sup> Trimethyl orthoacetate (0.1 mL, 0.78 mmol) and PPTS (1 mg) were added at room temperature to a stirred solution of (*S*)-1 (0.150 g, 0.60 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL) under argon atmosphere. After 40 min (the disappearance of the diol was monitored by TLC) evaporation of the volatile compounds afforded a crude residue, which was taken up with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL) and treated with trimethylsilyl chloride (0.78 mmol, 0.1 mL). After 1 h stirring, the organic solvent was evaporated. The residue was dissolved in MeOH (1 mL). K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.204 g, 1.48 mmol) was added, and the resulting suspension was vigorously stirred for 2 h at 25 °C, then filtered and evaporated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (6:4 hexane/EtOAc) to give (*S*)-6 (0.097 g, 70 %, 87 % *ee*) as a solid. M.p. 61–64 °C;  $[a]_{20}^{20} = -23.0$  (*c* = 0.30, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 67.23, H 5.21; found: C 66.97, H 5.08.

(*R*)-7-(3,4-Epoxybutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (6): Following the procedure for (*S*)-6, diol (*R*)-1 (0.150 g, 0.60 mmol) yielded pure (*R*)-6 (0.104 g, 75 %, 96 % *ee*) as a solid. M.p.  $60-63 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$ ;  $[a]_{D}^{20} = +21.8 \ (c = 0.45, CHCl_3)$ ; elemental analysis calcd (%) for  $C_{13}H_{12}O_4$ : C 67.23, H 5.21; found: C 67.39, H 5.52.

#### (±)-7-(4-Phenylacetamido-3-hydroxybutyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one

(7): The following procedure is typical. A solution of amino alcohol **2** (0.075 g, 0.3 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (7.0 mL) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.1 mL) was treated at 0 °C with phenylacetyl chloride (0.3 mmol, 40 µL). After 2 h at 0 °C (TLC), aqueous workup (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/saturated aqueous NaCl) and flash chromatography (EtOAc) gave **7** (0.044 g, 40%) as a semisolid. IR (KBr):  $\bar{v} = 3426$  (brs), 3088 (w), 2931 (w), 1709 (s), 1642 (s), 1614 (s), 1556 (m), 1385 (m), 1283 (m), 1232 (m), 1129 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s): <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.56$  (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.00 (m, 6H), 6.74 – 6.57 (m, 2H), 6.17 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 4.16 – 3.07 (m, 2H), 3.97 – 3.77 (m, 1H), 3.54 (s, 2 H), 3.40 (ddd, J = 13.9, 6.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.24 – 3.05 (m, 1H), 1.90 – 1.62 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 174.46$ , 163.93, 157.14, 145.78, 136.93, 130.42, 130.13, 129.59, 127.92, 114.22, 114.01, 113.32, 102.28, 68.10, 66.34, 46.70, 43.86, 35.08; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>: C 68.65, H 5.76, N 3.81; found: C 68.34, H 5.93, N 3.69.

(±)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxybutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one-3,4-bis-(dihydrogenphosphate) (8): *The following procedure is typical.* A solution of 55 (0.035 g, 0.045 mmol) in a mixture ethanol/water (4:1, 10 mL) is treated with Pd on charcoal (0.003 g, 0.1 equiv) at 25 °C under 1 atmosphere H<sub>2</sub> and stirred vigorously for 3 h. Filtration over Celite and concentration in vacuo gave pure 8 (0.020 g, quant.) as a syrup. IR (KBr):  $\tilde{v} = 3480$  (brs), 1706 (m), 1620 (s), 1557 (w), 1509 (w), 1402 (w), 1385 (m), 1285 (m), 1136 (m), 1081 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta = 7.88$  (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.96–6.91 (m, 2H), 6.23 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 4.53 (m, 1H), 4.20 (m, 2H), 4.00 (m, 2H), 2.12 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O/[D<sub>6</sub>]Ac):  $\delta = 164.65$ , 163.20, 156.27, 146.78, 130.77, 114.58, 113.87, 112.85, 102.49, 65.98, 60.82, 58.22, 32.17; <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta = 4.1$  (d, J = 16.2 Hz), 3.3 (d, J = 16.2 Hz); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>17</sub>O<sub>11</sub>P<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>: 411.0246; observed: 411.0250.

( $\pm$ )-2-(6-Methoxy-2-naphthyl)-1,2-ethanediol (9): Application of the procedure for ( $\pm$ )-1 to 71 (0.300 g, 1.63 mmol), and flash chromatography (7:3

CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave **9** (0.231 g, 65%) as a solid. M.p. 148–150 °C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3339$  (brs), 3060 (w), 3011 (w), 2924 (w), 2888 (w), 2839 (w), 1637 (m), 1608 (S), 1487 (s), 1463 (S), 1261 (s), 1214 (s), 1165 (s), 1080 (s), 1030 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 7.84 - 7.70$  (m, 3H), 7.48 (dd, J = 8.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.24 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (dd, J = 9.0, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 3.73 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 159.13$ , 138.40, 135.70, 130.33, 130.19, 127.88, 126.08, 126.02, 119.79, 106.61, 76.04, 68.65, 55.69; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C 71.54, H 6.47; found: C 71.25, H 6.11.

(*S*)-2-(6-Methoxy-2-naphthyl)-1,2-ethanediol (9): Application of the procedure for (*S*)-1 to 71 (0.368 g, 2.0 mmol) by using AD-mix- $\alpha$  followed by flash chromatography (7:3 EtOAc/hexane) gave (*S*)-9 (0.222 g, 51%, >99% *ee*), as a solid. M.p. 163–164 °C;  $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = +36.2$  (*c* = 0.40, MeOH); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C 71.54, H 6.47; found: C 71.63, H 6.21.

(*R*)-2-(6-Methoxy-2-naphthyl)-1,2-ethanediol (9): Application of the procedure for (*R*)-1 to 71 (0.368 g, 2.0 mmol) with AD-mix- $\beta$  gave (*R*)-9 (0.240 g, 55 %, >99 % *ee*) as a solid. M.p. 162–163 °C; [a]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = -36.0 (*c* = 0.42, MeOH); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C 71.54, H 6.47; found: C 71.42, H 6.15.

**7-(3-Methyl-3-butenyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (11)**: Application of the procedure for **69** to 3-methyl-3-butenyl-1-tosylate<sup>[23c]</sup> (1.20 g, 5.0 mmol) afforded **11** (0.87 g, 76%). Flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc 7:3) of an analytical sample gave pure **11**, as a solid. M.p.  $50-52^{\circ}$ C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3080$  (w), 3054 (w), 2937 (w), 2878 (w), 1724 (s), 1612 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.64$  (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.89–6.78 (m, 2H), 6.25 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 4.81 (s, 1H), 4.14 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.54 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.82 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 162.85$ , 161.87, 156.61, 144.08, 142.26, 129.44, 113.71, 113.67, 113.24, 113.12, 102.15, 67.76, 37.55, 23.43; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C 73.03, H 6.13; found: C 73.31, H 5.92.

**7-(4-Methyl-3-pentenyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (12) and 7-(4-methyl-4-pentenyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (74)**: Application of the procedure for **69** to the 3:1 mixture of **67** and **68** (1.60 g, 6.30 mmol) afforded a corresponding mixture of **12** and **74** (1.18 g, 77%) which were not separated, but directly used in the next step. Compound **12**: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.60$  (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.86 – 6.70 (m, 2H), 6.19 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 5.20 – 5.10 (m, 1H), 3.94 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.52 – 2.43 (m, 2H), 1.70 (s, 3H), 1.63 (s, 3H). Compound **74**: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 4.72$  (s, 1H), 4.68 (s, 1H), 4.20 – 3.94 (m, 2H), 2.30 – 1.85 (m, 4H).

(*E*)-7-(3-Hexenyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (13): The procedure for 69 applied to (*E*)-3-hexenyl-1-tosylate<sup>[23a]</sup> (2.50 g, 9.84 mmol) afforded a crude liquid product consisting of practically pure 13 (1.80 g, 75%). Flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc 8:2) of an analytical sample gave pure 13, as a liquid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.60$  (d, 1 H, J = 9.3 Hz), 7.33 (d, 1 H, J = 8.8 Hz), 6.85 - 6.72 (m, 2 H), 6.20 (d, J = 9.3 Hz), 1 H, 5.70 - 5.53 (m, 1 H), 5.52 - 5.34 (m, 1 H), 3.98 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.47 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.01 (quintet, J = 7.0 Hz, 2 H), 0.95 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 162.89$ , 161.82, 156.48, 144.06, 136.00, 129.36, 124.42, 113.54, 113.23, 113.07, 102.04, 69.04, 32.82, 26.24, 14.31; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C 73.75, H 6.60; found: C 73.49, H 6.84.

(Z)-7-(3-Hexenyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (14): Application of the procedure for 69 to (*Z*)-3-hexenyl-1-tosylate<sup>[23b]</sup> (2.50 g, 9.84 mmol) yielded a crude product consisting of practically pure 14 (1.90 g, 79%). An analytical sample was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc 8:2) to give pure 14 as a semisolid. IR (Nujol):  $\bar{\nu} = 3084$  (w), 1730 (s), 1612 (s), 1276 (m), 1224 (m), 1121 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.63$  (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.32 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 6.72 – 6.90 (m, 2 H), 6.24 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.29 – 5.64 (m, 2 H), 3.97 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.06 (quintet, J = 7.0 Hz, 2 H), 0.96 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 162.80$ , 161.73, 156.45, 144.00, 135.40, 129.33, 124.08, 113.52, 113.45, 113.05, 101.99, 68.72, 27.63, 21.27, 14.78; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C 73.75, H 6.60; found: C 73.51, H 6.89.

( $\pm$ )-7-(3,4-Dihydroxy-3-methylbutyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (15): The following procedure is typical. A solution of epoxide ( $\pm$ )-40 (0.096 g, 0.391 mmol) in THF (4 mL) was treated with 0.2 N aqueous H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (4 mL) and the reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 2 h. Aqueous workup (EtOAc/saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub>) and flash chromatography (7:3

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CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave **15** (0.085 g, 83 %) as a solid. M.p. 104-106 °C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3463$  (brs), 3425 (brs), 3076 (w), 2934 (w), 2884 (w), 1700 (s), 1613 cm<sup>-1</sup> (S); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 7.88$  (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.53 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 6.99 – 6.87 (m, 2 H), 6.24 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.24 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2 H), 3.43 (s, 2 H), 2.02 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 1.24 (s, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 163.36$ , 162.86, 156.57, 145.25, 129.89, 113.72, 113.43, 112.76, 101.76, 72.33, 70.17, 65.75, 37.85, 23.96; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 63.63, H 6.10; found: C 63.37, H 6.41.

(S)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxy-3-methylbutyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (15): Application of the procedure for (S)-1 to olefin 11 (0.40 g, 1.74 mmol) gave (S)-15 (0.32 g, 70%), as a solid. M.p.  $100-102^{\circ}$ C;  $[a]_{20}^{20} = -8.3$  (c = 0.62, MeOH); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 63.63, H 6.10; found: C 63.29, H 5.81.

(*R*)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxy-3-methylbutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (15): Application of the procedure for (*R*)-1 to olefin 11 (0.40 g, 1.74 mmol) gave (*R*)-15 (0.31 g, 67 %) as a solid. M.p. 98-100 °C;  $[a]_D^{20} = +6.1 (c = 1.06, MeOH)$ ; elemental analysis calcd (%) for  $C_{14}H_{16}O_5$ : C 63.63, H 6.10; found: C 63.82, H 5.92.

(±)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxy-4-methylpentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (16): Application of the procedure for (±)-1 to the 3:1 mixture of 12 and 74 (0.51 g, 2.09 mmol) and flash chromatography (7:3 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave 16 (0.34 g, 58 %) as a solid. M.p.  $92-94^{\circ}$ C; IR (KBr):  $\bar{\nu} = 3391$  (brs), 3097 (w), 2974 (w), 2964 (w), 2946 (w), 1736 (s), 1615 (S), 1283 (m), 1229 (m), 1164 (m), 1128 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 7.87$  (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.52 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.00 – 6.85 (m, 2 H), 6.23 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.23 (dd, J = 7.8, 4.9 Hz, 2 H), 3.56 (dd, J = 10.7, 1.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.27 – 2.05 (m, 1 H), 1.85 – 1.62 (m, 1 H), 1.21 (s, 3 H), 1.18 (s, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 163.91$ , 163.28, 156.92, 145.66, 130.30, 114.10, 113.78, 113.17, 102.17, 75.63, 73.50, 67.37, 31.91, 25.79, 24.95; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 64.74, H 6.52; found: C 64.96, H 6.31.

(S)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxy-4-methylpentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (16): Application of the procedure for (S)-1 to the 3:1 mixture of 12 and 74 (2.0 g, 8.20 mmol) and flash chromatography (7:3 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave (S)-16 (40% *ee*).<sup>[21]</sup> The product was recrystallized from diisopropyl ether to give pure (S)-16 as a solid (70% *ee*). M.p.  $104-105 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$ ;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -32.5$  (c = 0.33, MeOH); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 64.74, H 6.52; found: C 64.89, H 6.23.

(*R*)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxy-4-methylpentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (16): Application of the procedure for (*R*)-1 to the mixture of 12 and 74 (2.0 g, 8.20 mmol) gave (*R*)-16 as a solid (61 % *ee*),<sup>[30]</sup> which was recrystallized from diisopropyl ether to give pure (*R*)-16 as a solid (99 % *ee*). M.p. 105 – 106 °C;  $[a]_{20}^{20} = +31.0$  (c = 0.12, MeOH); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 64.74, H 6.52; found: C 64.50, H 6.31.

(*S*,*S*)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxyhexyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (17): Application of the procedure for (*S*)-1 to olefin 13 (0.430 g, 1.762 mmol) gave (*S*,*S*)-17 (0.33 g, 67%) as a solid. M.p. 134–136 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = 27.1 \ (c = 0.38, MeOH); IR (KBr): <math>\bar{\nu} = 3410 \ (brs)$ , 3308 (brs), 3060 (w), 2954 (w), 2920 (w), 2886 (w), 1713 (s), 1615 (S), 1283 (m), 1235 (m), 1129 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 7.87 \ (d, J = 9.3 \text{ Hz}, 11H)$ , 7.52 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 11H), 6.99–6.86 (m, 2H), 6.23 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 4.28–4.14 (m, 2H), 3.79–3.64 (m, 1H), 3.42–3.27 (m, 1H), 2.14–1.80 (m, 2H), 1.73–1.38 (m, 2H), 0.99 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 163.99, 163.36, 157.03, 145.71, 130.38, 114.15, 113.89, 113.22, 102.22, 76.90, 71.41, 66.93, 33.67, 26.74, 10.74; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 64.74, H 6.52; found: C 64.51, H 6.17.$ 

(*R*,*R*)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxyhexyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (17): Application of the procedure for (*R*)-1 to olefin 13 (0.430 g, 1.762 mmol) gave (*R*,*R*)-17 (0.348 g, 71%) as a solid. M.p. 130-132 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +22.1$  (*c* = 0.83, MeOH); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 64.74, H 6.52; found: C 64.48, H 6.27.

(3*R*\*,4*S*\*)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxyhexyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (18): Application of the procedure for ( $\pm$ )-1 to 14 (0.300 g, 1.23 mmol) and flash chromatography (7:3 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave (3*R*\*,4*S*\*)-18 (0.270 g, 79%) as a white solid. M.p. 112–114 °C; IR (KBr):  $\bar{\nu} = 3259$  (brs), 2966 (w), 2933 (w), 2877 (w), 1733 (s), 1623 (s), 1555 (m), 1406 (m), 1295 (s), 1235 (s), 1141 (s), 1090 (m), 1051 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta$  = 7.83 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.48 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 6.93–6.81 (m, 2 H), 6.19 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.29–4.13 (m, 2 H), 3.74–3.55 (m, 1 H), 3.42–3.22 (m, 1 H), 2.29–2.06 (m, 1 H), 1.90–1.55 (m, 2 H), 1.53–1.22 (m, 1 H), 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta$  = 164.03, 163.36, 157.07,

145.75, 130.36, 114.18, 113.90, 113.20, 102.26, 77.51, 72.20, 66.94, 33.07, 26.71, 10.63; elemental analysis for  $\rm C_{15}H_{18}O_5\colon C$  64.74, H 6.52; found: C 64.85, H 6.33.

**7-(3-Cyclopentenyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (19)**: Application of the procedure for **69** to **66** (2.38 g, 10.0 mmol) afforded practically pure **19** (1.892 g, 83 %). An analytical sample was recrystallized from petroleum ether (b.p. 80–100 °C) to give **19** as a solid. M.p. 112–114 °C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu}$  = 3063 (w), 3043 (w), 2957 (w), 2927 (w) 2908 (w), 1718 (s), 1610 (s), 1233 (m), 1127 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.62 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 6.86 – 6.70 (m, 2 H), 6.21 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.75 (s, 2 H), 5.09–4.93 (m, 1 H), 2.85 (dd, *J* = 17.0, 6.8 Hz, 2 H), 2.55 (d, *J* = 18.1 Hz, 2 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 161.91, 161.70, 156.39, 144.15, 129.42, 128.93, 114.32, 113.45, 112.90, 102.68, 77.99, 40.48; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C 73.67, H 5.30; found: C 73.40, H 5.04.

(1r,3R,4S)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxycyclopentyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (20) and (1s,3R,4S)-7-(3,4-dihydroxycyclopentyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (21): Application of the procedure for  $(\pm)$ -1 to olefin 19 (0.35 g, 1.53 mmol) afforded a crude solid product consisting of a 2:1 mixture (1H NMR) of diols 20 and 21. Flash chromatography (silica gel 60 RP-18, elution with 1:1 MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O) gave diol 20 (0.187 g, 47 %) and 21 (0.067 g, 17 %). 20: white solid. M.p. 171 – 173 °C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3385$  (brs), 3077 (w), 2942 (w), 1708 (s), 1619 (s), 1350 (m), 1282 (m), 1235 (m), 1123 (m), 1111 (m), 1099 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 7.87$  (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.51 (d, J =8.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.97-6.77 (m, 2 H), 6.23 (d, J=9.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.97-4.73 (m, 1 H), 4.07 - 3.87 (m, 2 H), 2.50 - 2.30 (m, 2 H), 2.00 - 1.80 (m, 2 H);  ${}^{13}\text{C}$  NMR  $(50 \text{ MHz}, \text{ CD}_3\text{OD}): \delta = 163.46, 163.06, 157.14, 145.82, 130.45, 115.00,$ 113.91, 113.24, 103.14, 76.89, 73.62, 39.00; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C14H1405: C 64.12, H 5.38; found: C 64.33, H 5.61. Compound 21: white solid; m.p. 148 - 150 °C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3431$  (s), 3344 (s), 3081 (w), 2910 (w), 1704 (s), 1621 (s), 1554 (m), 1287 (m), 1240 (m), 1137 (s), 1015 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 7.86$  (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.51 (d, J =8.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.91-6.74 (m, 2 H), 6.23 (d, J=9.8 Hz, 1 H), 5.03-4.91 (m, 1 H), 4.19 (t, J=4.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.34-2.08 (m, 2 H), 2.07-1.88 (m, 2 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 162.34$ , 162,79, 157.10, 145.73, 130.51, 114.71, 113.96, 113.35, 103.19, 77.60, 73.65, 39.34; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 64.12, H 5.38; found: C 63.91, H 5.59.

#### $(3R^*,\!4R^*)\text{-}7\text{-}(3,\!4\text{-}Dihydroxycyclopentyloxy)\text{-}2H\text{-}1\text{-}benzopyran\text{-}2\text{-}one$

(22): Application of the procedure for 15 to the 1:2 mixture of epoxides 45 and 44 (0.20 g, 0.82 mmol) and flash chromatography (1:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave 22 (0.142 g, 66%) as a solid. M.p. 122–124°C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3374$ (brs), 3075 (w), 2935 (w), 1732 (s), 1612 (S), 1352 (m), 1280 (m), 1233 (m), 1122 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 7.78$  (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.84–6.72 (m, 2H), 6.17 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 4.98– 4.87 (m, 1H), 4.14 (quartet, J = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 4.07–3.91 (m, 1H), 2.63 (dt, J = 14.5, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.25–2.00 (m, 2H), 1.74 (dt, J = 14.6, 3.9 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 163.24$ , 162.69, 156.89, 145.60, 130.35, 114.73, 113.77, 113.20, 103.06, 78.17, 78.09, 77.59, 39.73; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 64.12, H 5.38; found: C 64.01, H 5.10.

(±)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1,2-butanediol (23): Application of the procedure for (±)-1 to **70** (0.080 g, 0.414 mmol) and flash chromatography (1:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave **23** (0.070 g, 74%) as a solid. M.p. 98–100 °C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3380$  (brs), 3275 (brs), 3081 (w), 2964 (w), 2926 (w), 2880 (w), 1610 (s), 1597 (s), 1513 (s), 1499 (s), 1389 (m), 1333 (s), 1303 (m), 1265 (s), 1243 (m), 1176 (m), 1124 (m), 1105 (m), 1067 (m), 1046 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 8.2$  (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 2H), 7.1 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 2H), 4.37–4.14 (m, 2H), 3.93–3.76 (m, 1H), 3.53 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 2.19–1.97 (m, 1H), 1.93–1.72 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 165.68$ , 142.71, 126.79, 115.75, 69.92, 67.41, 66.80, 33.93; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>: C 52.86, H 5.77, N 6.16; found: C 52.55, H 5.91, N 5.90.

(*S*)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1,2-butanediol (23): Application of the procedure for (*S*)-1 to 70 (0.193 g, 1.0 mmol) and flash chromatography (1:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave (*S*)-23 (0.181 g, 80%, 96% *ee*), as a solid. M.p. 121–122 °C;  $[\alpha]_{20}^{20} = -31.1$  (*c*=0.37, MeOH); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>: C 52.86, H 5.77, N 6.16; found: C 52.98, H 5.53, N 5.96.

(*R*)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1,2-butanediol (23): Application of the procedure for (*R*)-1 to 70 (0.193 g, 1.0 mmol) gave (*R*)-23 (0.188 g, 83 %, 96 % *ee*) as a solid. M.p.  $120-121 \degree C$ ;  $[\alpha]_{20}^{20} = +31.3$  (*c* = 0.37, MeOH); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>: C 52.86, H 5.77, N 6.16; found: C 52.64, H 5.45, N 5.91.

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**7-[5-(Methyl-***a***-L-lyxofuranosyloxy)]-2***H***-1-benzopyran-2-one (24): Compound <b>72** (0.039 g, 0.11 mmol) was suspended in methanol (10 mL), and 2 mL of a 50% aqueous TFA solution were added. Overnight reflux, aqueous workup (50 mL EtOAc, wash with  $3 \times 10$  mL 1M NaOH, dry over MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and chromatography of the residue (EtOAc/hexane 8:2) gave **24** as a white solid. M.p. 168–169°C;  $[a]_{10}^{20} = -7.0$  (c = 0.2, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 7.80$  (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.23 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (m, 4H), 4.05 (m, 1H), 3.39 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 162.4$ , 144.6, 129.2, 113.6, 113.3, 112.5, 108.8, 101.6, 78.9, 76.0, 71.0, 68.3, 55.2; EI-MS: m/z: 308 [ $M^+$ ], 276 [ $M^+$  – CH<sub>3</sub>OH], 258 [ $M^+$  – CH<sub>3</sub>OH – H<sub>2</sub>O], 162 [umbelliferyl<sup>+</sup>], 134 [umbelliferyl<sup>+</sup> – CO].

**7-[5-(Methyl-β-D-ribofuranosyloxy)]-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (25)**: Application of the procedure for **24** to **73** (0.3 g, 0.86 mmol) gave **25** as a white solid. M.p. 141–142 °C;  $[a]_{10}^{20} = +20.9$  (c = 0.1, CH<sub>3</sub>OH); IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3486$  (s), 3370 (s), 3096 (w), 2927 (m), 1704 (s), 1623 (s), 1611 (s), 1556 (m), 1385 (m), 1300 (s), 1240 (m), 1151 (s), 1106 (m), 1047 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 7.79$  (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.23 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 4.28 (m, 3H), 4.11 (m, 1H), 3.95 (m, 1H), 3.32 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 163.0$ , 156.3, 150.6, 145.1, 129.8, 113.9, 113.6, 113.1, 109.3, 102.2, 81.5, 75.2, 72.1, 70.6, 55.4; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>7</sub>: C 58.44, H 5.23; found: C 58.42, H 5.13.

#### ( $\pm$ )-7-(4-Acetoxy-3-hydroxy-3-methylbutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one

(26): Application of the procedure for **5a** to diol **15** (0.088 g, 0.33 mmol) and flash chromatography (8:2 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave **26** (0.076 g, 75 %) as a solid. M.p. 76–78 °C; IR (nujol):  $\tilde{\nu}$ =3461 (m), 1710 (s), 1622 (s), 1465 (m), 1278 (m), 1139 (m), 1035 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.64 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 6.86–6.78 (m, 2 H), 6.25 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.24 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 4.07 (s, 2 H), 2.11 (s, 3 H), 2.11 – 2.00 (m, 2 H), 1.32 (s, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 171.55, 162.31, 161.73, 156.33, 144.00, 129.39, 113.62, 113.42, 113.19, 101.93, 71.58, 71.36, 65.25, 37.93, 25.08, 21.39; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>6</sub>: C 62.74, H 5.92; found: C 62.95, H 6.12.

(*R*)-7-(4-Acetoxy-3-hydroxybutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (26): Following the same procedure, diol (*R*)-15 (0.065 g, 0.25 mmol) gave (*R*)-26 (0.074 g, 98 %, 95 % *ee*) as a solid. M.p. 87–89 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +4.8$  (*c* = 0.88, MeOH); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>6</sub>: C 62.74, H 5.92; found: C 62.58, H 6.21.

(S)-7-(4-Acetoxy-3-hydroxybutyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (26): Following the same procedure, diol (S)-15 (0.075 g, 0.28 mmol) gave (S)-26 (0.078 g, 91 %, 92 % *ee*) as a solid. M.p. 85-87 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{\odot} = -5.7$  (c = 0.11, MeOH); elemental analysis calcd (%) for  $C_{16}H_{18}O_6$ : C 62.74, H 5.92; found: C 62.89, H 6.00.

(±)-7-(3-Acetoxy-4-hydroxy-4-methylpentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (27): Ac<sub>2</sub>O (25  $\mu$ L) was added to a solution of diol 16 (0.050 g, 0.18 mmol) in pyridine at 0°C, and the reaction mixture was left at 0°C for 18 h. Coevaporation of excess reagents with toluene followed by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc 8:2) gave 27 (0.043 g, 75%) as a white solid. M.p. 55–57°C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu}$  = 3416 (brs), 3054 (w), 2981 (w), 2940 (w), 1720 (s), 1712 (s), 1620 (s), 1398 (m), 1385 (m), 1352 (m), 1286 (m), 1237 (s), 1132 (m), 1041 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.62 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1 H), 6.85–6.75 (m, 2 H), 6.23 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 5.04 (dd, *J* = 9.8, 2.9 Hz, 1 H), 4.14–3.93 (m, 2 H), 2.33–1.98 (2 H), 2.09 (s, 3 H), 1.25 (s, 6 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 171.48, 162.56, 161.81, 156.46, 144.05, 129.43, 113.72, 113.52, 113.29, 102.06, 77.31, 72.75, 66.22, 29.89, 26.89, 26.05, 21.60; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>6</sub>: C 63.74, H 6.29; found: C 63.91, H 5.98.

(*R*)-7-(3-Acetoxy-4-hydroxy-4-methylpentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (27): Following the same procedure, diol (*R*)-16 (0.050 g, 0.18 mmol) afforded pure (*R*)-27 (0.042 g, 73 %, 99 % *ee*) as a syrup.  $[a]_D^{20} = +21.2$  (*c* = 0.25, MeOH); elemental analysis calcd (%) for  $C_{17}H_{20}O_6$ : C 63.74, H 6.29; found: C 63.57, H 6.07.

(*S*)-7-(3-Acetoxy-4-hydroxy-4-methylpentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (27): Following the same procedure, diol (*S*)-16 (0.050 g, 0.18 mmol) afforded pure (*S*)-27 (0.045 g, 79 %, 83 % *ee*) as a syrup.  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -23.3$  (*c* = 0.23, MeOH); elemental analysis calcd (%) for  $C_{17}H_{20}O_6$ : C 63.74, H 6.29; found: C 63.55, H 6.44.

(1r,3*R*,4*S*)-7-(3,4-Diacetoxycyclopentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (28): The typical procedure for 27 with diol 20 (0.050 g, 0.19 mmol) followed by flash chromatography (4:6 hexane/EtOAc) gave  $(3R^*, 4S^*)$ -**28** (0.058 g, 89%) as a white solid. M.p. 135–137 °C; IR (KBr):  $\bar{\nu} = 3050$  (w), 2929 (w), 1743 (s), 1726 (s), 1621 (s), 1385 (m), 1255 (s), 1239 (s), 1137 (s), 1036 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.61$  (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.81–6.65 (m, 2H), 6.22 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 5.24–5.07 (m, 2H), 4.83–4.68 (m, 1H), 2.65–2.41 (m, 2H), 2.20–1.94 (m, 2H). 2.04 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 170.55$ , 161.28, 160.96, 156.08, 143.58, 129.23, 113.55, 112.97, 102.74, 74.59, 72.57, 36.10, 21.14; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>7</sub>: C 62.42, H 5.24; found: C 62.21, H 5.01.

(1s,3*R*,4*S*)-7-(3,4-Diacetoxycyclopentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (29): Following the typical procedure for 27 on diol 21 (0.040 g, 0.15 mmol) and flash chromatography (4:6 hexane/EtOAc) gave  $(3R^*, 4S^*)$ -29 (0.045 g, 86%) as a white solid. M.p. 125–127°C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3053$  (w), 2994 (w), 2952 (w), 1743 (s), 1727 (s), 1619 (s), 1266 (s), 1238 (s), 1132 (m), 1088 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.64$  (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, J =8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.83–6.68 (m, 2H), 6.26 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 5.50–5.33 (m, 2H), 5.03–4.87 (m, 1H), 2.47–2.13 (m, 4H), 2.07 (s, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 170.49$ , 161.39, 160.87, 156.22, 143.63, 129.31, 114.09, 113.74, 113.11, 102.37, 74.99, 72.88, 36.55, 21.19; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>7</sub>: C 62.42, H 5.24; found: C 62.16, H 4.92.

(±)-2-(6-Methoxy-2-naphthyl)-1-acetoxy-2-hydroxyethane (30 a): The procedure for **5 a** with diol **9** (0.087 g, 0.40 mmol) and flash chromatography (6:4 hexane/EtOAc) gave **30 a** (0.060 g, 58%) as a solid. M.p. 90–92°C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3450$  (brs), 3062 (w), 3009 (w), 2962 (w), 2939 (w), 1733 (s), 1609 (m), 1384 (m), 1267 (s), 1218 (s), 1166 (m), 1030 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.77 - 7.69$  (m, 3 H), 7.46–7.42 (m, 1 H), 7.18–7.12 (m, 2 H), 5.12–5.04 (m, 1 H) 4.35 (dd, J = 11.5, 3.7 Hz, 1 H), 4.23 (dd, J = 11.7, 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.91 (s, 3 H), 2.11 (s, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 171.53$ , 158.27, 135.28, 134.79, 129.83, 129.05, 127.57, 125.44, 124.83, 119.52, 106.06, 72.88, 69.67, 55.67, 21.35; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 69.22, H 6.20; found: C 69.47, H 6.03.

(*R*)-2-(6-Methoxy-2-naphthyl)-1-acetoxy-2-hydroxyethane (30 a): Following the same procedure, diol (*R*)-9 (0.090 g, 0.41 mmol) afforded pure (*R*)-30 a (0.055 g, 51 %, 99 % *ee*) as a solid. M.p.  $101-103 \,^{\circ}$ C;  $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = -40.7$  (*c* = 0.21, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 69.22, H 6.20; found: C 69.02, H 5.95.

(*S*)-2-(6-Methoxy-2-naphthyl)-1-acetoxy-2-hydroxyethane (30 a): Following the same procedure, diol (*S*)-9 (0.090 g, 0.41 mmol) afforded pure (*S*)-30 a (0.050 g, 47 %, 99 % *ee*) as a solid. M.p.  $102 - 104 \,^{\circ}$ C;  $[\alpha]_{10}^{20} = +38.0$  (*c* = 0.20, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 69.22, H 6.20; found: C 69.39, H 6.09.

(±)-2-(6-Methoxy-2-naphthyl)-1,2-diacetoxyethane (30b): Application of the procedure for 27 to diol 9 (0.050 g, 0.23 mmol) and flash chromatography (7:3 hexane/EtOAc) gave 30b (0.061 g, 88%) as a white solid. M.p. 65–66°C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{r} = 3014$  (w), 2964 (w), 2951 (w), 2941 (w), 1739 (brs), 1633 (m), 1610 (m), 1487 (m), 1392 (m), 1379 (m), 1273 (s), 1248 (s), 1223 (s). 1062 (s), 1049 (s), 1027 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.83 - 7.65$  (m, 3H), 7.50–7.33 (m, 1H), 7.22–7.04 (m, 2H), 6.15 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 2.14 (s, 3H), 2.07(s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 169.02$ , 168.47, 156.54, 132.98, 129.94, 127.92, 126.97, 125.70, 124.43, 123.19, 117.70, 104.07, 71.87, 64.45, 53.71, 19.52, 19.14; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 67.54, H 6.00; found: C 67.72, H 5.76.

(*R*)-2-(6-Methoxy-2-naphthyl)-1,2-diacetoxyethane (30b): Following the same procedure, diol (*R*)-9 (0.040 g, 0.18 mmol) afforded pure (*R*)-30b (0.049 g, 91%, 99% *ee*) as a white waxy solid.  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -76.5$  (*c* = 0.16, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 67.54, H 6.00; found: C 67.29, H 6.17.

(S)-2-(6-Methoxy-2-naphthyl)-1,2-diacetoxyethane (30b): Following the same procedure, diol (S)-9 (0.040 g, 0.18 mmol) afforded pure (S)-30b (0.047 g, 87%, 99% *ee*) as a white waxy solid.  $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = +73.9$  (c = 0.14, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 67.54, H 6.00; found: C 67.42, H 5.86.

(3*R*\*,4*R*\*)-7-(3,4-Diacetoxycyclopentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (31): The typical procedure for 27 was applied with diol 22 (0.050 g, 0.19 mmol). Purification by flash chromatography (4:6 hexane/EtOAc) gave (3*R*\*,4*R*\*)-31 (0.040 g, 61 %) as a white solid. M.p. 103-105 °C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{v} = 2968$ (w), 1733 (s), 1623 (s), 1242 (brs), 1142 (m), 1043 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.63$  (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.84-6.69 (m, 2H), 6.24 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 5.42-5.27 (m, 1H), 5.19-5.04

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(m, 1 H), 4.95 – 4.80 (m, 1 H), 2.80 – 2.58 (m, 1 H), 2.54 – 2.34 (m, 1 H), 2.27 – 1.84 (m, 2 H), 2.07 (s, 3 H), 2.05 (s, 3 H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 170.71, 170.52, 161.44, 161.01, 156.27, 143.71, 129.36, 113.94, 113.82, 113.19, 102.79, 77.55, 76.51, 37.56, 37.27, 21.41; elemental analysis calcd (%) for  $C_{18}H_{18}O_7$ : C 62.42, H 5.24; found: C 62.31, H 5.10.

(±)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1-acetoxy-2-hydroxybutane (32 a): The procedure for **5a** was applied on diol **23** (0.100 g, 0.44 mmol). Flash chromatography (1:1 hexane/EtOAc) gave **32a** (0.078 g, 66%) as a pale yellow waxy solid. IR (neat):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3457$  (br m), 3117 (w), 3087 (w), 2953 (w), 1738 (s), 1608 (s), 1595 (s), 1513 (s), 1343 (s), 1263 (br s), 1112 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 8.20$  (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 4.32 – 4.23 (m, 3H), 4.21 – 4.11 (m, 1H), 4.06 (dd, J = 10.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 2.05 – 1.89 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 171.15$ , 163.69, 141.62, 125.93, 114.43, 68.56, 66.99, 65.10, 32.53, 20.82; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>: C.53.53, H 5.62, N 5.20; found: C 53.46, H 5.68, N 5.10.

(S)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1-acetoxy-2-hydroxybutane (32 a): Following the same procedure, diol (S)-23 (0.028 g, 0.12 mmol) afforded (S)-32 a (0.024 g, 72 %, 96 % *ee*) as a pale yellow waxy solid.  $[a]_D^{\oplus} = -10.2$  (c = 0.46, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>: C.53.53, H 5.62, N 5.20; found: C 53.63, H 5.71, N 5.27.

(*R*)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1-acetoxy-2-hydroxybutane (32 a): Following the same procedure, diol (*R*)-23 (0.028 g, 0.12 mmol) afforded (*R*)-32 a (0.023 g, 70 %, 96 % *ee*) as a pale yellow waxy solid.  $[a]_D^{2D} = +10.1$  (*c* = 0.67, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); EI-MS: *m/z*: 269 [*M*<sup>+</sup>], 196 [*M*<sup>+</sup> - CH<sub>3</sub>C(O)OCH<sub>2</sub>], 152 [*M*<sup>+</sup> - CH<sub>3</sub>C(O)OCH<sub>2</sub>CH(OH)CH<sub>2</sub>], 139 [*p*-nitrophenyl<sup>+</sup>+1], 131 [*M*<sup>+</sup> - *p*-nitrophenyl].

(±)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1,2-diacetoxybutane (32b): The procedure for 27 was applied to diol 23 (0.045 g, 0.20 mmol). Flash chromatography (7:3 hexane/EtOAc) gave 32b (0.059 g, 95%) as a pale yellow solid. M.p. 62–63 °C; IR (neat):  $\bar{v} = 3117$  (w), 3088 (w), 2952 (w), 1742 (s), 1609 (m), 1595 (s), 1514 (s), 1500 (s), 1372 (m), 1343 (s), 1244 (brs), 1175 (m), 1112 (m), 1049 (m), 1020 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 8.19$  (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 6.93 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 5.34–5.26 (m, 1H), 4.33 (dd, J = 11.9, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.16–4.05 (m, 2H), 4.13 (dd, J = 11.8, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 2.17–2.11 (m, 2H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 2.06 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 171.29$ , 171.02, 164.17, 142.45, 126.62, 115.12, 69.47, 65.50, 65.38, 31.11, 21.63, 21.39; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>7</sub>: C 54.02, H 5.50, N 4.50; found: C 54.04, H 5.40, N 4.49.

(S)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1,2-diacetoxybutane (32b): Following the same procedure, diol (S)-23 (0.015 g, 0.066 mmol) afforded pure (S)-32b (0.019 g, 93%, 95% *ee*) as a pale yellow oil.  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -22.4$  (c = 0.38, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>7</sub>: C 54.02, H 5.50, N 4.50; found: C 54.10, H 5.45, N 4.58.

(*R*)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1,2-diacetoxybutane (32b): Following the same procedure, diol (*R*)-23 (0.015 g, 0.066 mmol) afforded pure (*R*)-32b (0.020 g, 98%, 90% *ee*) as a pale yellow oil.  $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = +22.1$  (*c* = 0.52, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>7</sub>: C 54.02, H 5.50, N 4.50; found: C 54.15, H 5.56, N 4.45.

(±)-7-[(3,4-Carbonyldioxy)-butyloxy]-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (33): *The following procedure is typical.* Carbonyldiimidazole (0.085 g, 0.52 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 mL) was added to a stirred solution of diol **1** (0.10 g, 0.40 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 mL) at 25 °C under nitrogen. After 18 h at 25 °C, aqueous workup (brine/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>) and flash chromatography gave **33** (0.045 g, 41 %) as a white solid. M.p. 114–115 °C; IR (KBr):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3096 (w), 3043 (w), 2997 (w), 2952 (w), 2887 (w), 1821 (s), 1729 (s), 1704 (m), 1629 (s), 1557 (m), 1509 (m), 1409 (m), 1370 (m), 1298 (s), 1245 (m), 1179 (s), 1141 (m), 1070 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.63 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (m, 2H), 6.27 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (dt, *J* = 6.2, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 4.65, 4.26 (2dd, *J* = 7.7, 8.5 Hz, 2H), 4.23 (t, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 2.29 (q, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 161.9, 161.6, 156.5, 155.2, 143.9, 129.7, 114.3, 113.8, 113.1, 102.3, 77.3, 74.8, 70.1, 64.5, 34.1; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub>: C 60.87, H 4.38; found: C 60.72, H 4.40.

 $(\pm) \textbf{-7-[(3,4-Carbonyldioxy-4-methyl)-butyloxy]-2}H\textbf{-1-benzopyran-2-one} \\$ 

(34): The procedure for 33 was applied with diol 15 (0.020 g, 0.076 mmol). Flash chromatography (9:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave 34 (0.020 g, 91%) as a white solid. M.p. 152–153 °C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 2930$  (w), 1814 (s), 1728 (s), 1710 (m), 1626 (s), 1614 (s), 1394 (m), 1385 (m), 1295 (m), 1245 (m), 1199 (m), 1139 (m), 1109 (m), 1069 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.64$  (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.39 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.81 (m, 2 H), 6.28 (d, J = 7.64 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.99 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.81 (m, 2 H), 6.81 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.81 (m, 2 H), 6.81 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.81 (m, 2 H), 6.81 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.81 (m, 2 H), 6.81 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.81 (m, 2 H), 6.81 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.81 (d, J = 8.5 Hz,

9.5 Hz, 1 H), 4.47, 4.21 (2d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2 H), 4.20 (m, 2 H), 2.31 (m, 2 H), 1.60 (s, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 161.7$ , 161.6, 156.5, 154.9, 143.9, 129.7, 114.4, 113.8, 113.2, 102.2, 83.0, 75.4, 64.4, 38.4, 25.3. EI-MS: m/z: 290 [ $M^+$ ], 262 [ $M^+$  – CO], 162 [umbelliferyl<sup>+</sup>], 134 [umbelliferyl<sup>+</sup> – CO].

(1 s,3 *R*,4*S*)-7-(3,4-Carbonyldioxycyclopentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (35): The procedure for 33 was applied to diol 21 (0.015 g, 0.057 mmol). Flash chromatography (99:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave 35 (0.011 g, 67%) as a white solid. M.p. 155–157 °C; IR (KBr):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 2933 (w), 1793 (s), 1723 (s), 1620 (s), 1558 (m), 1510 (m), 1409 (m), 1385 (m), 1370 (m), 1294 (m), 1240 (m), 1177 (m), 1140 (m), 1108 (m), 1040 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta$  = 7.63 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, H-C(4')), 7.37 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, H-C(5')), 6.78 (m, H-C(6'), H-C(8')), 6.24 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, H-C(3')), 5.22 (m, H-C(3), H-C(4)), 5.01 (quintet, *J* = 6.0 Hz, H-C(1)), 2.54 (dd, *J* = 14.9, 5.4 Hz, H<sub>Re</sub>-C(2), H<sub>Si</sub>-C(5)); NOE observed between H-C(3), H-C(4) and H<sub>Si</sub>-C(2), H<sub>Re</sub>-C(5), and H-C(1) and H<sub>Re</sub>-C(2), H<sub>Si</sub>-C(5); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta$  = 165.7, 165.5, 156.6, 156.2, 144.1, 129.8, 114.2, 113.4, 103.4, 80.2, 76.5, 39.0; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub>: C 62.50, H 4.20; found: C 62.64, H 4.31.

(1r,3*R*,4*S*)-7-(3,4-Carbonyldioxycyclopentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (36): The procedure for 33 was applied with diol 20 (0.020 g, 0.076 mmol). Flash chromatography (99:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave 36 (0.014 g, 64%) as a white solid. M.p. 240–241 °C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{v} = 3104$  (w), 3070 (w), 2962 (w), 2938 (w), 1789 (s), 1725 (s), 1616 (s), 1406 (m), 1382 (m), 1354 (m), 1280 (m), 1230 (m), 1213 (m), 1170 (s), 1124 (s), 1095 (s), 1051 (s), 1002 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); 'H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 7.58$  (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.27 (d, 1 H), 6.69 (m, 2 H), 6.10 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.14 (m, 2 H), 4.94 (m, 1 H), 2.44, 1.95 (2 m, 4 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 164.3$ , 161.5, 155.4, 155.2, 144.6, 129.8, 115.2, 113.4, 102.6, 81.7, 78.5, 38.7; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub>: C 62.50, H 4.20; found: C 61.73, H 4.38.

#### 7-[5-(Methyl-(2,3-carbonyldioxy)-α-L-lyxofuranosyloxy)]-2H-1-benzopy-

**ran-2-one (37)**: The procedure for **33** was applied with diol **24** (0.007 g, 0.023 mmol). Flash chromatography (97:3 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave **37** (0.003 g, 39%) as a white solid. M.p. 172–173 °C; IR (neat):  $\bar{\nu}$ =3022 (m), 2940 (w), 1812 (s), 1729 (s), 1672 (m), 1617 (s), 1216 (s), 1160 (m), 1095 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$ =7.64 (d, *J*=9.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.41 (d, *J*=9.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.88 (m, 2 H), 6.29 (d, *J*=9.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.27 (m, 1 H), 5.17 (s, 1 H), 5.00 (m, 1 H), 4.50 (m, 1 H), 4.35 (m, 2 H), 3.43 (s, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$ =161.9, 161.5, 153.7, 153.2, 143.9, 129.7, 114.5, 112.9, 106.4, 102.9, 83.3, 79.5, 77.3, 65.7, 55.9; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>8</sub>: C 57.49, H 4.22; found: C 57.55, H 4.25.

#### 7-[5-(Methyl-(2,3-carbonyldioxy)-β-D-ribofuranosyloxy)]-2H-1-benzopy-

**ran-2-one (38)**: The procedure for **33** was applied to diol **25** (0.020 g, 0.065 mmol). Flash chromatography (98:2 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave **38** (0.020 g, 92%) as a yellow solid: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.59 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1 H), 6.72 (m, 2 H), 6.11 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.15 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.05 (s, 1 H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 4.59 (m, 1 H), 3.94 (m, 2 H), 3.24 (s, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 162.3, 161.6, 156.0, 155.7, 144.4, 113.6, 113.4, 108.3, 101.9, 84.0, 83.7, 81.4, 68.0, 55.8; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>8</sub>: C 57.49, H 4.22; found: C 57.59, H 4.36.

(±)-4-[(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-ethyl]-1,3-dioxolan-2-one (39): The procedure for 33 was applied to 23 (0.088 g, 0.33 mmol). Flash chromatography (8:2 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave 39 (0.071 g, 75%) as a yellow solid. M.p. 59–60°C; IR (KBr):  $\bar{v} = 3118$  (m), 3091 (m), 2968 (w), 2946 (m), 2889 (w), 1798 (brs), 1612 (m), 1596 (s), 1510 (s), 1471 (m), 1403 (m), 1342 (s), 1305 (m), 1267 (s), 1177 (s), 1111 (s), 1064 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 8.20$  (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 5.01 (dt, J = 14.7, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (dd, J = 8.8, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (m, 3H), 2.29 (dt, J = 6.2, 5.9 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 163.7$ , 155.2, 142.6, 130.5, 126.7, 115.1, 74.6, 70.1, 64.6, 34.1; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>: C 52.18, H 4.38, N 5.53; found: C 52.28, H 4.47, N 5.43.

(*S*)-4-[(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-ethyl]-1,3-dioxolan-2-one (39): The same reaction applied to (*S*)-23 (0.40 g, 1.74 mmol) gave (*S*)-39 (0.32 g, 70%) as a yellow solid. M.p. 67–68°C;  $[\alpha]_{20}^{20} = -54.6$  (*c* = 0.2, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>: C 52.18, H 4.38, N 5.53; found: C 52.12, H 4.54, N 5.48.

(*R*)-4-[(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-ethyl]-1,3-dioxolan-2-one (39): The same reaction applied on diol (*R*)-23 (0.40 g, 1.74 mmol) afforded pure (*R*)-39 (0.31 g, 67%) as a yellow solid. M.p. 67-68 °C;  $[\alpha]_{20}^{20} = +55.8$  (*c* = 1.06, MeOH);

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elemental analysis calcd (%) for  $C_{11}H_{11}NO_6\colon$  C 52.18, H 4.38, N 5.53 ; found: C 52.22, H 4.40, N 5.50.

(±)-7-(3,4-Epoxy-3-methylbutyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (40): The reaction for (±)-6 was applied to olefin **11** (0.42 g, 1.83 mmol). Flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc 55:45) gave **40** (0.337 g, 75%) as a solid. M.p. 63-65°C; IR (KBr):  $\bar{\nu} = 3077$  (w), 2990 (w), 2968 (w), 2936 (w) 2889 (w), 1729 (s), 1619 (s), 1398 (m), 1354 (m), 1286 (m), 1233 (m), 1209 (m), 1161 (m), 1127 (s), 1022 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.63$  (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.93–6.78 (m, 2H), 6.25 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 2.10 (t, J = 5.4 Hz, 2H), 2.73 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.10 (t, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 1.41 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 162.41$ , 161.66, 156.40, 143.98, 129.43, 113.69, 113.29, 113.22, 102.03, 65.49, 55.53, 54.46, 36.24, 22.15; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 68.28, H 5.73; found: C 68.14, H 5.54.

(*S*)-7-(3,4-Epoxy-3-methylbutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (40): The procedure for (*S*)-6 was applied to diol (*S*)-15 (0.079 g, 0.30 mmol). Fash chromatography (9:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave (*S*)-40 (0.044 g, 60 %, 92 % *ee*) as a solid. M.p. 86–88 °C;  $[\alpha]_{10}^{20} = +7.7$  (c = 0.79, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 68.28, H 5.73; found: C 67.95, H 6.05.

(*R*)-7-(3,4-Epoxy-3-methylbutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (40): The procedure for (*S*)-6 was applied to diol (*R*)-15 (0.074 g, 0.28 mmol) to give pure (*R*)-40 (0.038 g, 55%, 95% *ee*) as a solid. M.p. 85–87 °C;  $[a]_D^{20} = -8.3$  (*c* = 0.60, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 68.28, H 5.73; found: C 68.01, H 5.93.

(±)-7-(3,4-Epoxy-4-methylpentyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (41): The procedure for (*S*)-6 was applied to diol 16 (0.086 g, 0.31 mmol). Flash chromatography (9:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave 41 (0.016 g, 20%) as a semisolid. IR (Nujol):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3057 (w), 1733 (s), 1612 (s), 1279 (m), 1273 (m), 1221 (m), 1124 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.63 (d, *J* = 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 6.88 – 6.79 (m, 2 H), 6.24 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.18 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 5.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.95 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 5.4 Hz, 1 H), 2.21 – 2.05 (m, 1 H), 2.00 – 1.81 (m, 1 H), 1.34 (s, 3 H), 1.32 (s, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 162.73, 161.83, 156.58, 144.05, 129.49, 113.93, 113.45, 113.36, 102.20, 66.57, 61.86, 59.15, 29.63, 25.45, 19.61; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 69.22, H 6.20; found: C 68.91, H 5.89.

(*R*)-7-(3,4-Epoxy-4-methylpentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (41): The procedure for (*S*)-6 was applied to diol (*R*)-16 (0.050 g, 0.18 mmol) and yielded pure (*R*)-41 (0.012 g, 25%, 99% *ee*) as a semisolid.  $[a]_{20}^{20} = +11.8$  (*c* = 0.11, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 69.22, H 6.20; found: C 69.05, H 6.49.

(S)-7-(3,4-Epoxy-4-methylpentyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (41): The procedure for (S)-6 was applied to diol (S)-16 (0.050 g, 0.18 mmol) and yielded pure (S)-41 (0.010 g, 21 %, 70 % *ee*) as a semisolid.  $[a]_{20}^{20} = -13.4$  (c = 0.48, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 69.22, H 6.20; found: C 69.37, H 6.11.

(3*R*\*,4*R*\*)-7-(3,4-Epoxyhexyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (42): The procedure for (±)-6 was applied to olefin 13 (0.90 g, 3.69 mmol). The product was recrystallized from hexane to give pure 42 (0.67 g, 70%) as a solid. M.p.  $53-54^{\circ}$ C; IR (KBr):  $\bar{v} = 3070$  (w), 2997 (w), 2963 (w), 2925 (w) 2875 (w), 1731 (s), 1614 (s), 1355 (m), 1282 (s), 1235 (s), 1202 (m), 1119 (s), 1018 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.65$  (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.86 - 6.75 (m, 2H), 6.27 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.96 -2.87 (m, 1H), 2.82 -2.72 (m, 1H), 2.24 -2.06 (m, 1H), 2.02 - 1.84 (m, 1H), 1.69 - 1.51 (m, 2H), 1.01 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 162.66$ , 161.85, 156.56, 144.06, 129.50, 113.88, 113.42, 113.00, 102.19, 66.09, 60.72, 56.07, 32.53, 25.72, 10.53; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 69.22, H 6.20; found: C 69.60, H 5.98.

(*S*,*S*)-7-(3,4-Epoxyhexyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (42): The procedure for (*S*)-6 was applied to diol (*S*,*S*)-17 (0.078 g, 0.28 mmol). Flash chromatography (9:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave (*S*,*S*)-42 (0.051 g, 70%, 99% *ee*) as a solid. M.p. 54–55 °C;  $[\alpha]_{10}^{20} = -26.1$  (*c* = 0.68, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 69.22, H 6.20; found: C 69.34, H 6.10.

(*R*,*R*)-7-(3,4-Epoxyhexyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (42): The procedure for (*S*)-6 was applied to diol (*R*,*R*)-17 (0.10 g, 0.36 mmol) and yielded pure (*R*,*R*)-42 (0.068 g, 73 %, 99 % *ee*) as a solid. M.p.  $54-56^{\circ}$ C;  $[a]_{20}^{20} = +26.3$ (*c* = 1.15, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 69.22, H 6.20; found: C 69.01, H 6.13.

(3R\*,4S\*)-7-(3,4-Epoxyhexyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (43): The procedure for  $(\pm)$ -6 was applied to olefin 14 (0.90 g, 3.69 mmol). Recrystal-

lization from hexane gave pure **43** (0.60 g, 63 %) as a solid. M.p. 77–79 °C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu}$  = 3073 (w), 2963 (w), 2939 (w), 2876 (w), 1733 (s), 1610 (s), 1355 (m), 1284 (m), 1230 (m), 1204 (m), 1124 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.64 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 7.38 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 6.89–6.81 (m, 2 H), 6.26 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.23–4.15 (m, 2 H), 3.20–3.05 (m, 1 H), 3.00–2.84 (m, 1 H), 2.23–2.00 (m, 1 H), 2.00–1.80 (m, 1 H), 1.67–1.48 (m, 2 H), 1.08 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 162.64, 161.77, 156.52, 144.01, 129.49, 113.86, 113.49, 113.33, 102.17, 66.59, 58.94, 54.90, 28.47, 21.89, 11.18; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 69.22, H 6.20; found: C 69.38, H 6.49.

(1r,3R,4S)-7-(3,4-Epoxycyclopentyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (45) and (1s,3R,4S)-7-(3,4-epoxycyclopentyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (44): The procedure for  $(\pm)$ -6 applied to olefin 19 (1.0 g, 4.38 mmol) gave a 1:2 mixture (1H NMR) of epoxides 45 and 44. Flash chromatography (6:4 hexane/EtOAc) gave 45 (minor  $R_{\rm f}$ , 0.314 g, 29%) and 44 (major  $R_{\rm f}$ , 0.618 g, 58%). Compound **45**: white solid. M.p. 147–148°C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3070$ (w), 3024 (w), 2938 (w), 1706 (s), 1603 (s), 1279 (m), 1231 (m), 1202 (m), 1127 (s), 1074 (m), 998 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.63$  (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 7.34 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.80 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.2 Hz, 1 H), 6.68 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 6.24 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1 H), 4.86 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.62 (s, J = 0.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.64 (s, J = 0.3 Hz, 1 H), 3.64 (s, J = 0.3 Hz, 1 H2 H), 2.41 – 2.17 (m, 4 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 161.88, 161.50, 156.32, 144.14, 129.42, 114.69, 113.54, 112.95, 102.30, 77.45, 58.14, 35.82; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 68.85, H 4.95; found: C 69.13, H 4.57. Compound 44: white solid. M.p. 123–124 °C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3069$ (w), 3046 (w), 2964 (w), 2926 (w), 1730 (s), 1624 (s), 1552 (m), 1301 (s), 1274 (m), 1237 (s), 1160 (m), 1141 (s), 1018 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.63$  (d, J = 9.8 Hz, H-C(4')), 7.36 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, H-C(5')), 6.83-6.73 (m, H-C(6'), H-C(8')), 6.25 (d, J=9.8 Hz, H-C(3')), 4.61(quintet, J = 6.6 Hz, H-C(1)), 3.62 (s, H-C(4), H-C(3)), 2.75 (dd, J = 14.2, 7.3 Hz,  $H_{Si}$ -C(2),  $H_{Re}$ -C(5)), 1.88 (dd, J = 14.6, 6.3 Hz,  $H_{Si}$ -C(2),  $H_{Re}$ -C(5)); NOE observed between H-C(3), H-C(4) and H<sub>Si</sub>-C(2), H<sub>Re</sub>-C(5), and H-C(1) and  $H_{Re}$ -C(2),  $H_{Si}$ -C(5); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 161.73$ , 161.58, 156.33, 143.94, 129.45, 113.77, 113.59, 113.20, 102.94, 75.74, 56.36, 34.97; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C14H12O4: C 68.85, H 4.95; found: C 68.99, H 5.16.

(±)-2-(6-Methoxy-2-naphthyl)-1,2-epoxyethane (46): The procedure for (*S*)-6 was applied to diol 9 (0.065 g, 0.30 mmol). Flash chromatography (6:4:0.1 hexane/EtOAc/Et<sub>3</sub>N) gave 46 (0.035 g, 59%) as a solid. M.p. 81–83 °C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3060$  (w), 2965 (w), 2927 (w), 2844 (w), 1633 (m), 1608 (s), 1491 (m), 1388 (m), 1258 (s), 1233 (s), 1197 (m), 1179 (m), 1164 (m), 1031 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.75 - 7.70$  (m, 3 H,), 7.31–7.26 (m, 1H), 7.19–7.13 (m, 2 H), 4.00 (dd, J = 4.1, 2.4 Hz, 1 H), 3.92 (s, 3 H), 3.22 (dd, J = 5.4, 4.0 Hz, 1 H), 2.91 (dd, J = 5.4, 2.4 Hz, 1 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 160.77, 137.43, 135.57, 132.15, 131.59, 130.13, 127.98, 126.18, 122.08, 108.69, 58.21, 55.57, 54.05; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C 77.98, H 6.04; found: C 77.75, H 6.18.$ 

(S)-2-(6-Methoxy-2-naphthyl)-1,2-epoxyethane (46): Following the same procedure, diol (S)-9 (0.065 g, 0.30 mmol) yielded pure (S)-46 (0.035 g, 58 %, 99 % *ee*) as a solid. M.p. 81–83 °C;  $[a]_{20}^{20}$  = +6.1 (*c* = 0.43, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C 77.98, H 6.04; found: C 77.64, H 5.79.

(*R*)-2-(6-Methoxy-2-naphthyl)-1,2-epoxyethane (46): Following the same procedure, diol (*R*)-9 (0.065 g, 0.30 mmol) yielded pure (*R*)-46 (0.030 g, 50%, 99% *ee*) as a solid. M.p. 82-84 °C;  $[a]_D^{20} = -7.1$  (c=0.31, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for  $C_{13}H_{12}O_2$ : C 77.98, H 6.04; found: C 78.10, H 6.25.

(±)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1,2-epoxybutane (47): The procedure for (±)-6 was applied to 59 (0.70 g, 3.63 mmol). Flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc 6:4) gave 47 (0.635 g, 84%) as a solid. M.p.  $35-36^{\circ}$ C; IR (KBr):  $\bar{v} = 3116$  (w), 3086 (w), 2998 (w), 2932 (w), 1608 (s), 1595 (s), 1513 (s), 1343 (s), 1301 (m), 1264 (s), 1176 (m), 1112 (m), 1023 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 8.18$  (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 2H), 4.32 – 4.09 (m, 2H), 3.13 (m, 1H), 2.84 (t, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (dd, J = 4.9, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.31–2.07 (m, 1H), 2.03–1.78 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 164.42$ , 126.59, 115.09, 66.23, 50.00, 47.78, 32.85; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>: C 57.41, H 5.30, N 6.70; found: C 57.29, H 5.45, N 6.93.

(*S*)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1,2-epoxybutane (47): The procedure for (*S*)-6 was applied to diol (*S*)-23 (0.079 g, 0.35 mmol). Flash chromatography (6:4 hexane/EtOAc) gave (*S*)-47 (0.038 g, 52%, 96% *ee*) as a solid. M.p.  $44^{\circ}$ C;

 $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -30.3$  (*c*=0.50, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>: C 57.41, H 5.30, N 6.70; found: C 57.32, H 5.11, N 6.39.

(*R*)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1,2-epoxybutane (47): Following the same procedure, diol (*R*)-23 (0.079 g, 0.35 mmol) afforded pure (*R*)-47 (0.030 g, 41 %, 96% *ee*) as a solid. M.p. 43-44 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +28.8$  (*c*=0.46, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>: C 57.41, H 5.30, N 6.70; found: C 57.69, H 5.02, N 6.95.

#### (±)-7-(4-Amino-3-methyl-3-hydroxybutyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one

**(48)**: Following the procedure for **2**, epoxide **40** (0.492 g, 2.00 mmol) afforded pure **48** (0.458 g, 87%) as a yellow syrup; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3416$  (brs), 2970 (w), 1709 (s), 1616 (s), 1283 (s), 1256 (s), 1233 (s), 1161 (s), 1132 (s), 1032 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 7.81$  (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.00 – 6.71 (m, 2H), 6.19 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 2.91 – 2.60 (m, 2H), 2.03 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 1.29 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 163.53$ , 163.27, 156.95, 145.69, 130.44, 114.04, 113.34, 102.25, 71.50, 65.98, 51.40, 39.36, 24.92; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>: C 63.87, H 6.51, N 5.32; found: C 64.04, H 6.56, N 5.13.

(±)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1-amino-2-hydroxybutane (49): Application of the procedure for **2** to epoxide 47 (0.522 g, 2.5 mmol) gave 49 (0.486 g, 86%) as a pale yellow solid. M.p. 88–91 °C; IR (KBr):  $\bar{\nu} = 3373$  (brs), 3114 (w), 3080 (w), 2952 (w), 1609 (s), 1596 (s), 1502 (s), 1336 (s), 1265 (s), 1180 (s), 1112 (s), 1030 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 8.20$  (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.34–4.10 (m, 2H), 4.00–3.74 (m, 1H), 2.86 (dd, J = 12.9, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (dd, J = 12.9, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 2.14–1.67 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 165.57$ , 142.76, 126.82, 115.76, 69.01, 66.55, 47.87, 35.22; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C 53.09, H 6.24, N 12.38; found: C 53.34, H 6.03, N 12.04.

 $(\pm) \textbf{-7-(4-Phenylacetamido-3-methyl-3-hydroxybutyloxy)-2}H\textbf{-1-benzopy-1-1-benzopy-1} } \\$ 

**ran-2-one (50)**: Application of the procedure for **7** to amino alcohol **48** (0.053 g, 0.20 mmol) and flash chromatography (99.5:0.5 EtOAc/MeOH) gave **50** (0.036 g, 48%) as a white semisolid. IR (KBr):  $\vec{v} = 3413$  (brs), 3085 (w), 2971 (w), 1709 (s), 1638 (s), 1615 (s), 1555 (m), 1282 (m), 1232 (m), 128c cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.56$  (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.10 (m, 6H), 6.74 – 6.57 (m, 2H), 6.19 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 4.21 – 3.95 (m, 2H), 3.56 (s, 2H), 3.25 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 1.91 – 1.77 (m, 2H), 1.13 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 173.34$ , 162.25, 161.85, 156.53, 144.06, 135.37, 130.14, 129.85, 129.56, 128.26, 114.06, 113.51, 113.31, 102.36, 72.93, 65.77, 50.41, 44.43, 38.95, 25.98; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>: C 69.28, H 6.08, N 3.67; found: C 69.10, H 5.87, N 3.32.

(±)-7-(4-Acetamido-3-hydroxybutyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (51): The following procedure is typical. A solution of amino alcohol 2 (0.075 g, 0.3 mmol) in dry  $CH_2Cl_2$  (7.0 mL) and  $Et_3N$  (0.6 mmol, 84  $\mu$ L) was treated at 0 °C with AcCl (0.3 mmol, 21 µL). The reaction was stirred at 0°C for 2 h. Aqueous workup (CH2Cl2/saturated aqueous NaCl) and flash chromatography (99.5:0.5 EtOAc/MeOH) gave 51 (0.030 g, 34%) as a syrup; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{v} = 3335$  (brs), 3090 (w), 2935 (w), 1710 (brs), 1645 (s), 1615 (s), 1557 (s), 1283 (m), 1233 (m), 1129 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.62$  (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1 H), 7.35 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1 H), 6.91 - 6.71 (m, 2H), 6.23 (d, J=9.8 Hz, 1H), 4.31-4.09 (m, 2H), 4.09-3.91 (m, 1H), 3.60-3.41 (m, 1H), 3.38-3.14 (m, 1H), 2.07-1.81 (m, 2H), 2.03 (s, 3H);  $^{13}\mathrm{C}$  NMR (50 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta\,{=}\,172.38,\,162.65,\,161.99,\,156.53,\,144.17,$ 129.56, 113.85, 113.47, 113.37, 102.30, 69.40, 66.26, 46.85, 34.66, 23.83; elemental analysis calcd (%) for  $C_{15}H_{17}NO_5$ : C 61.85, H 5.88, N 4.81; found: C 61.54, H 5.67, N 4.59.

#### $(\pm) \textbf{-7-(4-Acetamido-3-methyl-3-hydroxybutyloxy)-} \textbf{2H-1-benzopyran-2-benzopyr$

**one (52):** Application of the procedure for **51** to **48** (0.079 g, 0.30 mmol) and flash chromatography (9:1 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave **52** (0.060 g, 66%) as a white semisolid. IR (KBr):  $\bar{\nu} = 3348$  (brs), 3087 (w), 2965 (w), 2935 (w), 1704 (brs), 1640 (s), 1613 (s), 1557 (s), 1385 (m), 1286 (m), 1233 (m), 1131 (s), 1019 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.63$  (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.91 – 6.74 (m, 2H), 6.24 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 4.34 – 4.07 (m, 2H), 3.36 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 2H), 2.14 – 1.81 (m, 2H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 1.27 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 172.47$ , 162.42, 161.96, 156.47, 144.20, 129.59, 113.85, 113.42, 102.27, 72.73, 65.77, 50.52, 38.88, 25.83, 23.81; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>: C 62.94, H 6.27, N 4.59; found: C 63.16, H 5.97, N 4.22.

(±)-4-(p-Nitrophenoxy)-1-phenylacetamido-2-hydroxybutane (53): Application of the procedure for 7 to amino alcohol 49 (0.079 g, 0.35 mmol) and flash chromatography (9:1 EtOAc/hexane) gave 53 (0.060 g, 51 %) as a pale

yellow solid. M.p. 109–111°C; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu}$ =3415 (brs), 3087 (w), 2947 (w), 1639 (s), 1617 (s), 1594 (s), 1502 (s), 1346 (s), 1263 (s), 1115 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$ =8.10 (d, J=9.3 Hz, 2H), 7.38–7.07 (m, 5H), 6.83 (d, J=9.3 Hz, 2H), 4.24–4.00 (m, 2H), 3.95–3.77 (m, 1H), 3.55 (s, 2H), 3.38 (ddd, J=14.3, 5.9, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 3.27–3.07 (m, 1H), 1.95–1.64 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$ =173.55, 164.46, 142.28, 135.26, 130.12, 129.83, 128.27, 126.63, 115.16, 69.33, 66.30, 46.98, 44.33, 34.62; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 62.78, H 5.85, N 8.13; found: C 62.45, H 5.91, N 7.87.

(±)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1-acetamido-2-hydroxybutane (54): Application of the procedure for **51** to amino alcohol **49** (0.068 g, 0.30 mmol) and flash chromatography (99.5:0.5 EtOAc/MeOH) gave **54** (0.045 g, 56%) as a pale yellow solid. M.p. 134–136 °C; IR (KBr):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3395 (brs), 2927 (w), 1641 (s), 1618 (s), 1595 (s), 1338 (s), 1267 (s), 1125 (m), 1113 (m), 1082 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 8.19 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.32–4.11 (m, 2H), 4.07–3.89 (m, 1H), 3.50 (ddd, *J* = 14.2, 6.34, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 3.36–3.18 (m, 1H), 2.04 (s, 3H), 2.00–1.82 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CHCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 172.45, 164.27, 142.15, 126.50, 115.01, 69.21, 66.24, 46.83, 34.53, 23.67; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>16</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: C 53.73, H 6.01, N 10.44; found: C 53.41, H 5.73, N 10.39.

 $(\pm) \textbf{-7-(3,4-Dihydroxybutyloxy)-} \textbf{-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one-3,4-bis(dibenzyl-1-benzopyran-2-bis(dibenzyl-1-benzopyran-2-bis(dibenzyl-1-benzopyran-2-one-3,4-bis(dibenzyl-1-benzopyran-2-bis(dibenzyl-1-benzyl-1-benzyl-1-benzyl-1-bis(dibenzyl-1-benzyl-1-benzyl-1-benzyl-1-bis(dibenzyl-1-benzyl-1-benzyl-1-bis(dibenzyl-1-benzyl-1-benzyl-1-benzyl-1-bis(dibenzyl-1-benzyl-1-benzyl-1-bis(dibenzyl-1-bis(dibenzyl-1-benzyl-1-b$ phosphate) (55): The following procedure is typical. A solution of 1 (0.020 g, 0.08 mmol) and 1H-tetrazole (0.034 g, 6 equiv) in anhydrous dichloromethane (5 mL) was treated at 25°C under stirring with dibenzyl-N,Ndiisopropylphosphoramidite (0.055 mL, 2 equiv) and stirred at 25 °C for 2 h. The solution was cooled to  $-78^{\circ}$ C, m-CPBA (0.055 g, 4 equiv) was added and stirring was prolonged for 45 min at 0 °C. A solution of saturated aqueous  $NaHCO_3$  (1 mL) was added, and the mixture concentrated in vacuo. The residue was taken with CH2Cl2, washed (saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, water and brine) and purified by flash chromatography (9:1  $CH_2Cl_2/acetone)$  to give 55 (0.035 g, 57 %) as a yellow syrup; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz,  $[D_6]Ac$ ):  $\delta = 7.87$  (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.41 - 7.30 (m, 20 H), 6.89 - 6.82 (m, 2 H), 6.21 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.11 - 5.00 (m, 9H), 4.34-4.18 (m, 4H), 2.19-2.17 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz,  $[D_6]Ac$ ):  $\delta = 163.46$ , 161.58, 157.64, 145.20, 137.94, 130.80, 130.03, 129.97, 129.88, 129.78, 129.51, 129.42, 129.30, 114.39, 114.19, 102.79, 75.89, 70.57, 70.50, 70.10, 65.66, 32.57; <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz,  $[D_6]$ Ac):  $\delta = 5.85$  (d, J =40.5 Hz), 5.05 (d, *J* = 40.5 Hz).

(*R*)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxy-4-methylbutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one-3,4-bis-(dibenzylphosphate) (56): Application of the procedure for 55 to diol (*R*)-15 (0.020 g, 0.076 mmol) gave (*R*)-56 (0.011 g, 18%, 94.5% ee) as a yellow syrup. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 8.04$  (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38–7.33 (m, 22 H), 6.26 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 5.19–4.99 (m, 8 H), 4.41–4.03 (m, 4 H), 2.33–2.21 (m, 2 H), 1.54 (s, 3 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 162.25$ , 161.76, 156.46, 143.94, 129.63, 129.39, 129.11, 128.72, 128.64, 128.14, 114.21, 113.07, 102.53, 76.15, 71.15, 68.04, 64.58, 64.41, 39.21, 25.48; <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 0.1, -4.4$ .

(S)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxy-4-methylbutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one-3,4-bis-(dibenzylphosphate) (56): Application of the procedure for 55 to diol (*S*)-15 (0.100 g, 0.38 mmol) gave (*S*)-56 (0.163 g, 55%, 92.1% ee) as a colorless syrup; IR (neat):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3475 (m), 3035 (m), 1732 (s), 1615 (s), 1558 (m), 1509 (m), 1499 (m), 1457 (s), 1399 (m), 1352 (m), 1279 (s), 1124 (s), 1015 (s), 892 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.57 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.25 - 7.21 (m, 21 H), 6.71 - 6.62 (m, 2 H), 6.20 (d, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 5.00 - 4.92 (m, 8H), 4.11 - 3.94 (m, 4H), 2.19 - 2.12 (m, 2H), 1.49 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 162.25, 161.76, 156.46, 143.99, 136.33, 129.42, 129.27, 129.23, 129.18, 128.64, 128.56, 113.92, 113.47, 113.31, 102.07, 83.79, 72.10, 70.21, 69.96, 64.38, 37.04, 23.48; <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 0.1, -4.4; HRMS: calcd for C<sub>42</sub>H<sub>43</sub>O<sub>11</sub>P<sub>2</sub> : 785.2281, obs 785.2285.

(3*R*\*,4*R*\*)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxycyclopentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one-3,4bis(dibenzylphosphate) (57) and (3*R*\*,4*R*\*)-7-(3,4-dihydroxycyclopentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one-3-dibenzylphosphate (58): Application of the procedure for 55 to diol 22 (0.040 g, 0.15 mmol) afforded a crude mixture consisting of phosphates derivatives 57 and 58. Flash chromatography (8:2 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/acetone) gave compound 57 (0.019 g, 16%) and 58 (0.026 g, 33%). Compound 57: yellow syrup; IR (neat):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3438 (s), 1731 (m), 1614 (m), 1557 (w), 1499 (w), 1457 (w), 1402 (w), 1278 (m), 1124 (w), 1000 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.62 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 21 H), 6.69 – 6.59 (m, 2H), 6.26 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 5.04 – 4.96 (m, 9H), 4.79 – 4.70 (m, 2H), 2.48 – 2.39 (m, 1H), 2.25 – 2.22 (m, 1H), 2.02 – 1.97 (m,

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1 H), 1.28–1.25 (m, 1 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 161.69, 161.22, 156.47, 143.93, 136.30, 136.21, 129.54, 129.41, 129.34, 129.27, 128.77, 128.66, 128.59, 114.10, 113.38, 102.90, 76.33, 70.27, 38.22, 37.71; <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = -1.1; HRMS: calcd for C<sub>42</sub>H<sub>41</sub>O<sub>11</sub>P<sub>2</sub>: 783.2124; observed: 783.2119. Compound **58**: colorless syrup; IR (neat):  $\bar{\nu}$  = 3420 (s), 2955 (w), 1732 (s), 1615 (s), 1558 (w), 1507 (w), 1457 (w), 1403 (w), 1352 (w), 1280 (m), 1233 (m), 1125 (m), 1015 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.62 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1 H), 7.37–7.32 (m, 11 H), 6.76–6.67 (m, 2 H), 6.25 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1 H), 5.09–4.98 (m, 4H), 4.74–4.64 (m, 2 H), 4.22–4.16 (m, 1 H), 2.61–2.51 (m, 1 H), 2.22–2.07 (m, 4 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 161.77, 161.11, 156.46, 143.99, 129.55, 129.48, 129.38, 129.35, 128.82, 128.76, 128.58, 114.27, 113.99, 113.34, 102.79, 84.40, 76.64, 75.52, 70.53, 38.65, 38.21; <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 0.9; HRMS: calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>27</sub>O<sub>8</sub>P: 523.1521; observed: 523.1508.

(1*R*,5*S*,7**r**)-7-(3-benzyloxy-3-oxido-2,4-dioxa-3-phospha-bicyclo[3.3.0]octyl)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one (59): Following the procedure for 55, diol 20 (0.060 g, 0.23 mmol) afforded pure 59 (0.021 g, 22 %) as a white solid. M.p. 93–95 °C; IR (neat):  $\tilde{\nu}$  = 3423 (s), 2925 (m), 2854 (w), 1652 (m), 1459 (w), 1072 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta$  = 7.74 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.46–7.41 (m, 1 H), 7.36–7.32 (m, 5 H), 7.07–6.89 (m, 2 H), 6.22 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.12–5.00 (m, 5 H), 2.15–2.08 (m, 2 H), 1.24–1.21 (m, 2 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>/CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta$  = 162.76, 160.91, 155.98, 144.89, 134.38, 129.68, 129.12, 129.06, 128.26, 115.75, 113.43, 113.05, 102.58, 82.41, 78.45, 70.37, 39.30; <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta$  = 22.1; HRMS: calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>19</sub>O<sub>7</sub>P: 415.0947; observed: 415.0947.

(±)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1,2-butanediol-1,2-bis(dibenzylphosphate) (60): Following the procedure for 55, diol 23 (0.150 g, 0.66 mmol) afforded pure 60 (0.193 g, 39%) as a yellow oil. IR (neat):  $\bar{\nu} = 3036$  (w), 2955 (w), 1717 (w), 1594 (m), 1514 (m), 1498 (m), 1342 (s), 1264 (s), 1000 (s), 881 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 8.03$  (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.24–7.16 (m, 20H), 6.71 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 5.00–4.87 (m, 8H), 4.71–4.68 (m, 1H), 4.16–3.94 (m, 4H), 2.03–1.97 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 129.34$ , 129.31, 129.28, 129.7, 129.25, 128.70, 128.61, 128.52, 126.52, 115.06, 70.31, 70.24, 64.71; <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = -0.03, -0.53$ ; HRMS: calcd for C<sub>38</sub>H<sub>40</sub>NO<sub>11</sub>P<sub>2</sub>: 748.2077; observed: 748.2080.

(*R*)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxy-3-methylbutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one-3,4-bis-(dihydrogen phosphate) (61): Following the procedure for 8, hydrogenation of bis-dibenzylphosphate (*R*)-56 (0.011 g, 0.014 mmol) afforded pure (*R*)-61 (0.002 g, 25%) as a colorless syrup; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta$  = 7.89 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1 H), 6.97 – 6.94 (m, 2 H), 6.24 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.29 – 4.24 (m, 2 H), 3.85 – 3.83 (m, 2 H), 2.10 – 2.05 (m, 2 H), 1.30 (s, 3 H); <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O/CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta$  = 3.1, – 1.4.

(*S*)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxy-3-methylbutyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one-3,4-bis-(dihydrogen phosphate) (61): Following the procedure for **8**, hydrogenation of bis-dibenzylphosphate (*S*)-56 (0.10 g, 0.13 mmol) afforded pure (*S*)-61 (0.044 g, 80%) as a yellow syrup; IR (KBr):  $\bar{v} = 3439$  (br s), 1725 (s), 1631 (s), 1556 (m), 1510 (m), 1408 (m), 1387 (m), 994 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O/CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta = 7.82$  (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.93 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.20 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 4.03 – 3.96 (m, 4H), 2.16 – 2.15 (m, 2H), 1.48 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O/CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta =$ 164.12, 162.80, 156.21, 146.16, 130.44, 114.12, 113.69, 112.94, 102.24, 82.53, 71.41, 65.31, 37.14, 25.49; <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O/CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta = 3.1, -1.4$ .

(3*R*\*,4*R*\*)-7-(3,4-Dihydroxycyclopentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one-3,4bis-(dihydrogen phosphate) (62): Following the procedure for 8, hydrogenation of bis-dibenzylphosphate 57 (0.015 g, 0.019 mmol) afforded pure 62 (0.009 g, quant.) as a yellow syrup; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{\nu} = 3438$  (s), 2927 (w), 1705 (m), 1620 (s), 1557 (w), 1509 (w), 1385 (m), 1165 (m), 1089 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O/CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 7.99$  (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, J =8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.00 – 6.98 (m, 2H), 6.32 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (m, 2H), 2.78 (m, 1H), 2.34 (m, 2H), 1.98 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O/CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta = 164.34$ , 161.92, 156.24, 146.29, 130.62, 114.86, 113.82, 113.02, 103.24, 77.41, 65.83, 64.97, 38.32, 38.22; <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O/CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta = 4.4$ .

(3*R*\*,4*R*\*)-7-(3,4-dihydroxycyclopentyloxy)-2*H*-1-benzopyran-2-one-3-dihydrogen phosphate (63): Following the procedure for 8, hydrogenation of dibenzylphosphate 58 (0.020 g, 0.038 mmol) afforded pure 63 (0.012 g, 92%) as a yellow syrup; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{v} = 3424$  (s), 2931 (w), 1706 (s), 1619 (s), 1557 (w), 1508 (w), 1385 (m), 1284 (m), 1089 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O/CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta = 7.84$  (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.89 – 6.83 (m, 2H), 6.21 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 4.90 (m, 1H), 4.44 (m, 1H), 4.12 (m, 1H), 2.61–2.51 (m, 1H), 2.21–2.16 (m, 2H) 1.69–1.61 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O/CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta$  = 164.09, 161.97, 156.28, 146.14, 130.53, 114.76, 113.66, 113.01, 103.08, 81.48, 77.11, 76.45, 38.40, 38.30; <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O/CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta$  = 3.2.

 $(1r,\!3R,\!4S)\text{-}7\text{-}(3\text{-}Phosphonoxy\text{-}4\text{-}hydroxycyclopentyloxy)\text{-}2H\text{-}1\text{-}benzopy\text{-}$ 

**ran-2-one (64)**: Following the procedure for **8**, hydrogenation of cyclic monobenzylphosphate **59** (0.020 g, 0.048 mmol) afforded pure **64** (0.011 g, 67%) as a yellow syrup; IR (KBr):  $\tilde{v} = 3439$  (s), 2930 (w), 1705 (m), 1620 (s), 1509 (w), 1404 (w), 1385 (m), 1235 (m), 1085 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O/CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta = 7.87$  (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.51 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1 H), 6.89–6.83 (m, 2 H), 6.22 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1 H), 4.82–4.74 (m, 1 H), 4.47 (m, 1 H), 4.11–4.06 (m, 1 H), 2.56–2.33 (m, 2 H), 2.03–1.78 (m, 2 H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O/CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta = 164.77$ , 161.92, 156.13, 146.54, 130.61, 114.99, 113.76, 112.84, 103.03, 77.42, 76.16, 72.32, 37.76, 37.13; <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O/CD<sub>3</sub>CN):  $\delta = 2.9$ .

(±)-4-(*p*-Nitrophenoxy)-1,2-butanediol-1,2-bis-(dihydrogen phosphate) (65): A stirred solution of 60 (0.100 g, 0.13 mmol) in dry dichloromethane (5 mL) was treated at 0 °C under nitrogen with trimethylsilyl bromide, and the mixture stirred for 45 minutes more at 25 °C. Addition of water (2 mL) and aqueous work-up afforded crude 65 which was purified by preparative HPLC. Pure 65 (0.041 g, 81 %) was recovered as a brown syrup; IR (KBr):  $\vec{v} = 3421$  (m), 3118 (m), 2934 (m), 2351 (w), 1609 (s), 1595 (s), 1510 (s), 1346 (s), 1267 (s), 1015 cm<sup>-1</sup> (s); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 8.20$  (d, J =9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 4.67 (m, 1 H), 4.31 – 4.27 (m, 2H), 4.15 (m, 2H), 2.24–2.11 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 165.46$ , 142.82, 126.74, 115.88, 74.22, 68.97, 65.90, 32.76; <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD):  $\delta = 4.3$ , 4.0.

**3-Cyclopentenyl-1-tosylate (66):** A solution of 3-cyclopentenol<sup>[21]</sup> (2.0 g, 0.024 mol) in anhydrous pyridine (30 mL) was treated with TsCl (5.147 g, 0.027 mol), and the reaction mixture was left at 5 °C for 18 h. Dilution with Et<sub>2</sub>O, aqueous washing (10% aqueous HCl, saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and water), and evaporation gave pure **66** (4.0 g, 70%): <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.79$  (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 5.65 (s, 2H), 5.23–5.09 (m, 1H), 2.63–2.51 (m, 4H), 2.45 (s, 3H).

**4-Methyl-3-pentenyl-1-tosylate (67) and 4-methyl-4-pentenyl-1-tosylate (68)**: Tosylation of a 3:1 mixture of 4-methyl-3-penten-1-ol and 4-methyl-4-penten-1-ol<sup>[22]</sup> (7.2 g, 0.072 mol) as above gave the corresponding tosylates (13.83 g, 76%), which were used as mixture in the next step. Compound **67**: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.83 – 7.44 (m, 2 H), 7.38 – 7.29 (m, 2 H), 5.01 – 4.89 (m, 1 H), 3.96 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2 H), 2.45 (s, 3 H), 2.32 (quartet, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2 H), 1.64 (s, 3 H), 1.55 (s, 3 H). Compound **68**: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 4.69 (s, 1 H), 4.58 (s, 1 H), 4.18 – 3.98 (m, 2 H), 2.10 – 1.75 (m, 4 H).

**7-(3-Butenyloxy)-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one (69)**: *The following procedure is typical.* A solution of 3-butenyl-1-tosylate<sup>[23a]</sup> (2.94 g, 13.0 mmol) in DMF (32 mL) was treated with the sodium salt of **4** (2.39 g, 13.0 mmol), and the reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 16 h. Aqueous workup (diethyl ether/water) and evaporation of the residue gave **69** (2.19 g, 78%), which was used in the next step without further purification. Flash chromatography of an analytical sample (8:2 hexane/EtOAc) gave pure **69** as a solid. M.p. 46–47 °C; IR (KBr):  $\vec{v} = 3084$  (w), 3051 (w), 2943 (w), 1722 (s), 1612 (s), 1283 (m), 1235 (m), 1122 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.57$  (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.88–6.64 (m, 2H), 6.17 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 5.96–5.68 (m, 1H), 5.20–4.98 (m, 2H), 3.99 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 162.83$ , 161.97, 156.54, 144.15, 134.47, 129.42, 118.20, 113.68, 113.19, 112.97, 102.06, 68.43, 33.98; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C 72.21, H 5.59; found: C 72.01, H, 5.37.

**1-(***p***-Nitrophenoxy)-3-butene (70)**: Application of the procedure for **69** to 3-butenyl-1-tosylate (2.26 g, 10.0 mmol) and the sodium salt of *p*-nitrophenol (1.61 g, 10.0 mmol) gave **70** (1.428 g, 74%), which was directly used in the next step. Flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc 8:2) of an analytical sample gave pure **70** as a liquid; IR (Nujol):  $\tilde{v} = 3120$  (w), 3081 (w), 1616 (s), 1597 (s), 1519 (s), 1500 (s), 1371 (s), 1290 (s), 1120 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 8.18$  (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 2H), 6.01 – 5.75 (m, 1H), 5.25 – 5.08 (m, 2H), 4.10 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.58 (q, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 164.69$ , 142.16, 134.31, 126.57, 118.34, 115.16, 68.70, 33.99; elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>: C 62.17, H 5.74, N 7.25; found: C 62.53, H 6.11, N 6.88.

**1-(6-Methoxy-2-naphthyl)-ethene (71)**: $^{[31a]}$  A 1.6M solution in hexane of BuLi (3.25 mL, 5.21 mmol) was added, at  $-20 \,^\circ\text{C}$  under an argon

atmosphere, to a stirred slurry of (Ph<sub>3</sub>PCH<sub>3</sub>)Br (1.897 g, 5.31 mmol) in anhydrous THF (15 mL). After 1.5 h stirring (during this period the temperature was allowed to raise to 0 °C) the reaction was cooled again at -20 °C and a solution of 6-methoxy-2-naphthaldeyde<sup>[24]</sup> (0.94 g, 5.05 mmol) in anhydrous THF (40 mL) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h at 25 °C and saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl was added (10 mL). Aqueous workup (Et<sub>2</sub>O/water) and flash chromatography (9:1 hexane/EtOAc) gave pure **71** (0.726 g, 78%) as a solid.<sup>[31b]</sup>

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**pyran-2-one (72)**: A solution of methyl-2,3-*O*-isopropylidene-5-*O*-*p*-toluenesulfonyl-*a*-L-lyxofuranoside<sup>[25]</sup> (1.2 g, 3.35 mmol) in dry DMF (20 mL) was cooled to 0 °C and NaH (0.12 g, 5 mmol) and **4** (0.81 g, 5 mmol) were added under nitrogen. The reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 18 h. Aqueous workup (50 mL EtOAc,  $3 \times 20$  mL 1M NaOH), drying over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated in vacuo gave **72**, which was directly used for the preparation of **24**, without any further purification. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.64 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1 H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1 H), 6.91 (m, 2 H), 6.27 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.98 (m, 1 H), 4.84 (m, 1 H), 4.62 (m, 1 H), 4.34 (m, 2 H), 4.25 (m, 1 H), 3.39 (s, 3 H), 1.49 (s, 3 H), 1.34 (s, 3 H).

#### $7-[5-(Methyl-2, 3-O-isopropylidene-\beta-D-ribofuranosyloxy)]-2H-1-benzo-$

**pyran-2-one (73)**: Application of the procedure for **72** to methyl-2,3-O-isopropylidene-5-O-p-toluenesulfonyl- $\beta$ -D-ribofuranoside<sup>[26]</sup>(1.2 g,

3.35 mmol) gave **73**, which was used for the preparation of **25** without further purification. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.64$  (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1 H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1 H), 6.87 (m, 2 H), 6.28 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1 H), 5.04 (s, 1 H), 4.80 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 1 H), 4.65 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 1 H), 4.06 (m, 2 H), 3.35 (s, 3 H), 1.53 (s, 3 H), 1.36 (s, 3 H).

**Kinetic measurements**: All substrates were diluted from stock solutions in 50% aqueous DMF, and stored at +4°C. Stock solutions were adjusted according to the integration of substrate peak as analyzed by RP-HPLC (peak at 254 or 325 nm, see Table 4). For each enzyme measurement set, a stock solution of enzyme (lyophilized powder, 100 or 10 µgmL<sup>-1</sup>), BSA (2 mgmL<sup>-1</sup>), and NaIO<sub>4</sub> (1 mM) was prepared in advance in 20 mM aqueous borate at pH 8.8, and mixed to the stock solution of substrate just before the measurement. Assays (0.1 mL) were followed in individual wells of roundbottom polypropylene 96-well plates (Costar) by using a Cytofluor II fluorescence plate reader (Perseptive Biosystems, filters  $\lambda_{ex} = 360 \pm 20$  nm,  $\lambda_{em} = 460 \pm 20$  nm), or of polystyrene 96-well plates (Costar) by using a Spectramax 250 microplate spectrophotometer (Molecular Devices). Fluorescence data were converted to umbelliferone or 6-methoxy-2-naph-thaldehyde concentration by means of a calibration curve, whereas optical

Table 4. Analytical RP-HPLC conditions for selected compounds.[a]

Compound	% A	% B	t <sub>R</sub> [min]
1	60	40	3.9
2	60	40	2.8
5a	50	50	6.2
5b	50	50	19.6
6	80	20	10.7
7	60	40	28.4
9	60	40	9.2
15	60	40	5.1
16	60	40	7.4
17	60	40	8.6
18	60	40	7.6
20	60	40	3.7
21	60	40	4.4
22	60	40	3.5
25	50	50	3.0
26	50	50	8.4
41	80	20	36.5
42	80	20	11.6
44	60	40	4.0
45	60	40	8.4
46	50	50	5.5
47	95	5	2.3

[a] Isocratic elution at 1.5 mLmin<sup>-1</sup>, detection by UV at 254 or 325 nm, A = 0.1% TFA in H<sub>2</sub>O, B = 50/50 CH<sub>3</sub>CN/H<sub>2</sub>O, analytical column: Vydac 218TP-54 (C18, pore size 300 Å),  $0.45 \times 22$  cm.

density at 405 nm was converted to 4-nitrophenol concentration. The rates indicated in the tables are derived from the steepest linear portion in each curve. Commercial enzyme preparations were purchased from Fluka, Aldrich, Sigma, Boehringer Mannheim, or Serva.

**Data treatment for gray scale activity arrays**: The file format used to generate the gray scale arrays is the portable-gray-map (.pgm) format. Each grid position is first assigned a whole number between 0 (full black, maximum activity) and 255 (white, no activity), which is done by simple calculation from the reaction rates determined, typically in a Excel file. The grid of numbers is then saved as comma-separated value (.csv) file. This file is then opened in a text editor (wordpad, notepad, simpletext), and the following three (or four) lines are inserted at the top of the file: P2

# (optional line with identifier)

λ	Ĺ	Y

255

where X is the number of columns in the array and Y the number of lines in the array. The file is then saved from the text editor in the portable-graymap format by simply adding ".pgm" to the filename. This file is opened by a photo-software such as Photoshop, Paintshop, Coreldraw, etc., resized to a width of approximately 200 pixels, and saved in bitmap file format (.bmp).

Data treatment for colored selectivity arrays: The file format used to generate the colored selectivity arrays is the portable-pixel-map (.ppm) format. Each grid position is first assigned three whole numbers corresponding to the RGB color-code between 0 (zero intensity, maximum activity) and 255 (maximum intensity, no activity) as follows: the first number is set according to the activity observed with the (R)-enantiomer (or the first of two given stereoisomers), the second number according to the activity observed with the (S)-enantiomer (or second stereoisomer), and the third number is simply the mathematical average of the first work with X columns and Y lines of whole numbers between 0 and 255. The grid of numbers is saved as comma-separated-value (.csv) file. This file is then opened in a text editor as above and the following three (or four) lines are inserted at the top of the file:

# (optional line with identifier)

XY

255

**P**3

where X is the number of columns in the array and Y the number of lines in the array. The file is then saved from the text editor in the portable-pixelmap format by simply adding ".ppm" to the filename. This file is opened by a photo-software as above and resized to a width of approximately 200 pixels, and saved as bitmap file format (.bmp).

In this format it is possible to permutate the order of the three columns corresponding to the RGB code, and obtain also an orange-to-blue and a green-to-blue scale.

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