

12. Enantioselective Synthesis of α -N-Alkylamino Acids via Sultam-Directed ‘Enolate’ Hydroxyamination

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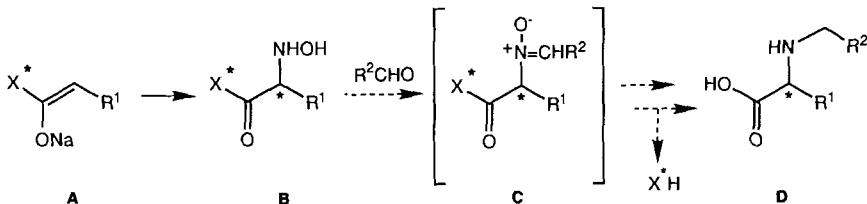
Crystalline *N*-hydroxyamino-acid derivatives **4**, readily available from non-chiral acyl chlorides **2** and sultams **1**, were treated with aldehydes in the presence of NaBH₃CN to give *N*-alkylhydroxylamines **5**. *N,O*-Hydrogenolysis of **5** and saponification of **6** furnished (*S*)-*N*-alkylamino acids **7** in high optical purity. Similarly, (*R*)-*N*-alkylamino acids **12** were obtained from the antipodal acylsultams **8**.

Introduction. – α -*N*-Alkylamino acids (particularly the *N*-methyl derivatives) are constituents of various naturally occurring peptides [1] such as the immunosuppressive agent cyclosporine A [2]. Their incorporation into peptide analogs leads to profound conformational changes [3] as well as to an increase in lipophilicity and resistance to proteolysis. These effects may elicit useful pharmacological properties [4]. Moreover, several *N*-alkylamino acids have been found to be biologically active in their own right [5].

Consequently, a number of synthetic routes to optically pure *N*-alkylamino acids have been developed. The majority of these methods are limited to modifications of chiral, α -amino- [6] or α -hydroxy acids [7]. Nevertheless, short ‘*ab initio*’ approaches, involving the generation of C(α)-chirality¹), would be more suitable for the preparation of chiral, isotopically labelled, or other *N*-alkylamino acids derived from non-proteinogenic amino acids.

To this end, we considered taking advantage of the recently published, ~ 100% π -face selective, hydroxyamination of chiral enolates **A** → **B** (*Scheme 1*) [9].

Scheme 1

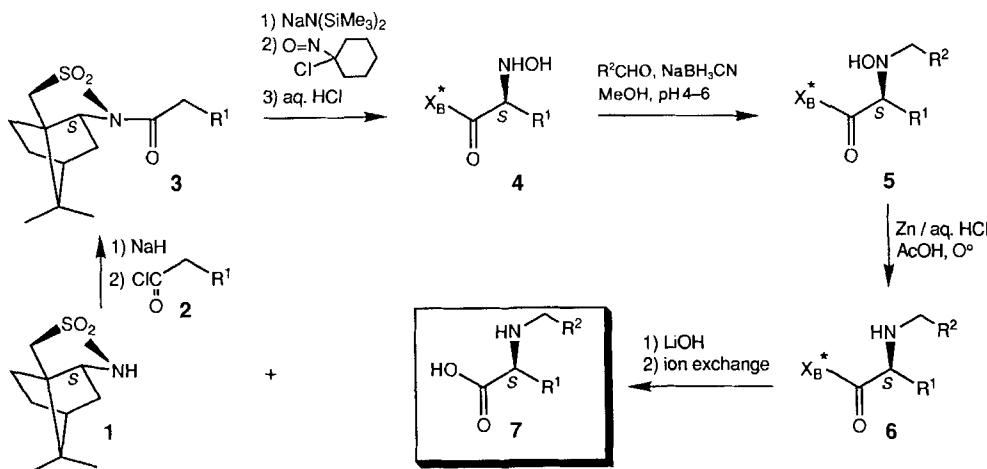


¹) For the enantioselective preparation of *N*-alkylamino acids by Pd-catalyzed asymmetric allylic amination, see [8].

Condensation of hydroxylamines **B** with aldehydes, reduction of nitrone intermediates **C**, and recovery of the auxiliary X^*H should conveniently provide *N*-monoalkylated amino acids **D** without significant epimerization.

Results. – Putting this plan into practice, acylation of (*2S*)-bornane-10,2-sultam (**1**) and hydroxyamination of **3** were carried out as previously described (*Scheme 2*) [9].

Scheme 2



a $\text{R}^1 = \text{Me}$, $\text{R}^2 = \text{H}$; **b** $\text{R}^1 = \text{Me}_2\text{CH}$, $\text{R}^2 = \text{H}$; **c** $\text{R}^1 = \text{Me}_2\text{CHCH}_2$, $\text{R}^2 = \text{H}$; **d** $\text{R}^1 = \text{PhCH}_2$, $\text{R}^2 = \text{H}$; **e** $\text{R}^1 = \text{PhCH}_2$, $\text{R}^2 = \text{Me}$; **f** $\text{R}^1 = \text{PhCH}_2$, $\text{R}^2 = \text{Me}_2\text{CH}$; **g** $\text{R}^1 = \text{MeOCOCH}_2$, $\text{R}^2 = \text{H}$.

The resulting, crystalline, diastereoisomerically pure hydroxylamines **4** smoothly underwent reductive *N*-alkylation [10] with methanolic formaldehyde in the presence of sodium cyanoborohydride at $\text{pH } 4\text{--}6$ affording crystalline *N*-methylhydroxylamine products **5** (*Table, Entries 1–4 and 7*). Similarly, *N*-ethyl- or *N*-isobutyl derivatives **5** were obtained in good yields employing acetaldehyde or isobutyraldehyde (*Entries 5 and 6*). *N,O*-hydrogenolysis of *N*-alkylhydroxylamines **5** with Zn dust (excess, 1*N* *aq.* HCl/AcOH 2:1, 0°) afforded crystalline (*N*-alkylamino)acysultams **6**. Mild saponification of **6** with 0.3*N* LiOH ($\text{THF}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ 2:1, 0°) and extraction (CH_2Cl_2) furnished recovered sultam **1** (80–96%). Stirring of the neutralized *aq.* phase with ion-exchange resin (*Amberlite IR-120*) and elution of the resin with 7*N* *aq.* NH_3 provided (*S*)-*N*-alkylamino acids **7**. (*R*)-*N*-alkylamino acids **12** are equally accessible by this general protocol using the antipodal sultam *ent*-**1** (*Entries 8–11, Scheme 3*).

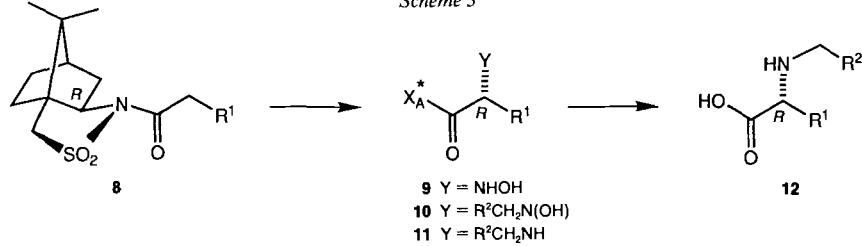
The absolute configurations of **7** and **12** follow from those of hydroxylamines **4** and **9**, respectively [9]. *C*-Functionalized, optically pure *N*-alkylamino acids can also be obtained such as the neurobiologically interesting [11] (*S*)- and (*R*)-*N*-methylaspartic acids **7g** and **12g** (*Entries 7 and 11*), respectively. In this context, it is worth mentioning that the deprotonation/hydroxyamination of **3** and **8**, $\text{R}^1 = \text{CH}_2\text{COOMe}$ occurs regioselectively

Table. Transformation of N-[2-(N-Hydroxyamino)acyl]bornane-10,2-sultams into Enantiomerically Pure α -N-Alkylamino Acids 4 → 7 and 9 → 12

Entry	[2-(N-Hydroxyamino)acyl]-sultam	Alde-hyde	{2-[(Alkyl)-(hydroxy)amino]-acyl}sultam	[2-(Alkyl-amino)acyl]-sultam	N-Alkylamino Acid				
					R ₁	R ₂	Yield a) %	Yield a) %	
1	4 Me	H	5a	6a	7a		74 (80)	91	96.8 S
2	4 Me ₂ CH	H	5b	6b	7b		80 (98)	90	> 99 S
3	4 Me ₂ CHCH ₂	H	5c	6c	7c		86 (100)	100	> 99 S
4	4 PhCH ₂	H	5d	6d	7d		82 (98)	92	> 99 S
5	4 PhCH ₂	Me	5e	6e	7e		78 (90)	92	> 99 S
6	4 PhCH ₂	Me ₂ CH	5f	6f	7f		77 ^{c)} –	71 (87)	> 99 S
7	4 MeOCOCH ₂	H	5g	6g	7g ^{d)}		78 (95)	78 (92)	94 > 99 S
8	9 Me	H	10a	11a	12a		64 –	74 (92)	94 93 R
9	9 PhCH ₂	Me	10e	11e	12e		78 (90)	89 –	91 > 99 R
10	9 PhCH ₂	Me ₂ CH	10f	11f	12f		71 ^{c)} –	88 (95)	90 > 99 R
11	9 MeOCOCH ₂	H	10g	11g	12g ^{d)}		78 (96)	78 (92)	94 96.4 R

^{a)} After crystallization (yield of crude product in parentheses). ^{b)} Crude N-alkylamino acid. ^{c)} After flash chromatography. ^{d)} R¹ = HOOCH₂.

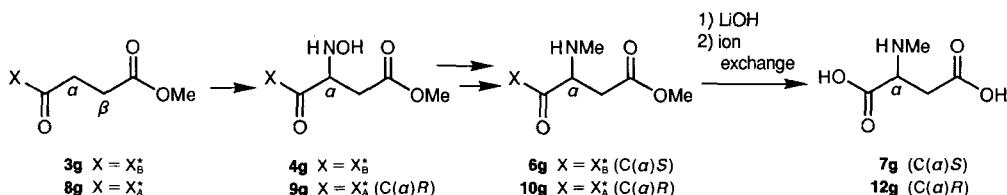
Scheme 3



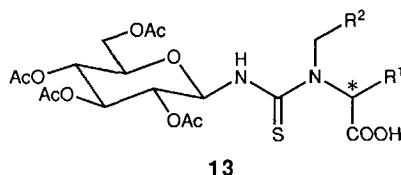
a R¹ = Me, R² = H; e R¹ = PhCH₂, R² = Me; f R¹ = PhCH₂, R² = Me₂CH; g R¹ = MeOCOCH₂, R² = H.

at C(α) (adjacent to the acylsultam group) and not at C(β)²⁾. The methoxycarbonyl group is, furthermore, compatible with the subsequent reductive alkylation/*N,O*-hydrogenolysis steps, until it is hydrolyzed together with the acylsultam moiety (Scheme 4).

Scheme 4



²⁾ We assume that the electron-withdrawing nature of the sultam moiety and its capacity to stabilize a ‘C(α)-eno-late’ by chelation [9] favors C(α) over C(β) deprotonation.



The enantiomeric excess (e.e.) of **7** and **12** were readily determined by reverse-phase HPLC analysis of the corresponding thiourea derivatives **13**, obtained with 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl isothiocyanate (GITC) [12].

It is interesting to note that the thioureas from (*S*)-*N*-methyl- and *N*-ethylamino acids **7** elute *prior* to the (*R*)-diastereoisomers obtained from **12**. However, the elution order is reversed with *N*-isobutylphenylalanine, *i.e.* the thiourea **13**, prepared from (*R*)-**12f**, elutes prior to its diastereoisomer derived from (*S*)-**7f**.

The crude *N*-alkylamino acids **7** and **12** were enantiomerically pure within the limits of this HPLC analysis. Only the *N*-methylalanines **7a** and **12a** show 1.6 to 3.9% cross contamination. More extensive epimerization occurred, not surprisingly, during reductive methylation of diastereoisomerically pure hydroxylamine **4** ($R^1 = \text{Ph}$), which gave a 75:25 mixture of **5** ($R^1 = \text{Ph}$, $R^2 = \text{Me}$) and its C(2')-epimer ($^1\text{H-NMR}$).

Conclusion. – In summary, this five-step conversion of non-chiral acid chlorides **2** into enantiomerically pure α -*N*-alkylamino acids **7** or **12** represents an attractive route to this class of compounds given the easy accessibility³⁾ and recoverability of sultam **1** and its antipode, and last but not least, the crystallinity of most intermediates. Its most obvious potential lies in the synthesis of chiral, isotope-labelled, or other *N*-alkylamino acids which are not directly available from proteinogenic amino acids.

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Experimental Part

General. All reactions were carried out under Ar with magnetic stirring, unless otherwise specified. Solvents were dried by distillation from drying agents as follows: Et₂O, THF (Na-benzophenone), toluene (Na), CH₂Cl₂ (CaH₂), EtOH, MeOH (Mg). Unless otherwise stated, all combined org. extracts were dried with MgSO₄. Column flash chromatography (FC): SiO₂ (Merck, Kieselgel 60, 0.040–0.060 mm). GC: Hewlett-Packard 5790A, integrator HP 3390A, capillary column (fused silica, *OV*-1, 0.2 mm i.d., 12 m), 10 psi H₂; t_R in min (area - %). HPLC: Column Brownlee OS-224-Spheri-5, RP-18, 5 μm , 40°, 220 \times 4.6 mm; solvents: *A*: 0.01 M NaH₂PO₄ in MeCN/H₂O 9:1, pH 2.8; *B*: 0.01 M NaH₂PO₄ in MeCN/MeOH/H₂O 6:1:3, pH 3.4; gradient: 25–65% *B* in 35 min, detector: 250 nm; t_R in min (area - %). M.p.: Kofler hot stage; uncorrected: $[\alpha]_D$: Perkin-Elmer 241 polarimeter, in CHCl₃, at 25 \pm 2°, unless otherwise specified. IR: Polaric Mattson Instruments, in CHCl₃, unless otherwise specified. NMR spectra (Bruker AMX-400 or Varian XL-200), in CDCl₃, unless otherwise specified; standard CHCl₃ (δ = 7.27 ppm), *J* in Hz. MS: Varian CH-4 or Finnigan 4023 at 70 eV, *m/z* (rel. - %). HR-MS: VG 7070-E.

Preparation of *N*-Acylsultams 3 and 8. The *N*-acylsultams **3** ($R^1 = \text{Me}$, Me₂CH, Me₂CHCH₂, PhCH₂; Entries 1–6) and **8** ($R^1 = \text{Me}$, PhCH₂; Entries 8 and 9) were prepared as described in [9b].

³⁾ Sultam **1** and its antipode *ent*-**1** are commercially available on a kg-scale from NEWPORT Synthesis Ireland Ltd., Dublin/Ireland.

(*2S*)-N-[3'-(*Methoxycarbonyl*)*propionyl*]bornane-10,2-sultam (**3**; R¹ = MeOCOCH₂). Following the *General Procedure* published in [9b], (*2S*)-Bornane-10,2-sultam (**1**; 2.0 g, 9.3 mmol) was acylated with 3-(*methoxycarbonyl*)*propionyl* chloride. Crystallization of the crude product from Et₂O/hexane provided pure **3** (2.72 g, 90%). M.p. 94–95°. [α]_D = +90, [α]₅₇₈ = +94, [α]₅₄₆ = +108, [α]₄₃₆ = +188, [α]₃₆₅ = +308 (c = 0.50). IR, NMR, and MS identical with those of **8** (R¹ = CH₂COOME). HR-MS: 298.1104 ([C₁₅H₂₃NO₅S – CH₃O]⁺, calc. 298.1113).

(*2R*)-N-[3'-(*Methoxycarbonyl*)*propionyl*]bornane-10,2-sultam (**8**; R¹ = MeOCOCH₂). Following the *General Procedure* published in [9b], (*2R*)-bornane-10,2-sultam (*ent*-**1**; 2.5 g, 11.6 mmol) was acylated with 3-(*methoxycarbonyl*)*propionyl* chloride (1.85 g, 12.3 mmol). Crystallization of the crude product from Et₂O/hexane gave pure **8** (3.6 g, 94%). M.p. 93–95°. [α]_D = −90.3, [α]₅₇₈ = −94.5, [α]₅₄₆ = −107.6, [α]₄₃₆ = −186.2, [α]₃₆₅ = −304.1 (c = 1.45). IR: 2950, 1740, 1700, 1400, 1325, 1275, 1240, 1160. ¹H-NMR (400 MHz): 0.97 (s, 3 H); 1.18 (s, 3 H); 1.35–1.41 (2 H); 1.85–1.98 (3 H); 2.05 (dd, J = 14, 8, 1 H); 2.16 (m, 1 H); 2.62 (dt, J = 16, 6, 1 H); 2.73 (ddd, J = 16, 8, 6, 1 H); 3.01 (dt, J = 16, 6, 1 H); 3.08 (ddd, J = 16, 8, 6, 1 H); 3.44 (d, J = 14, 1 H); 3.51 (d, J = 14, 1 H); 3.68 (s, 3 H); 3.87 (dd, J = 8, 5, 1 H). ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz): 172.0 (s); 170.3 (s); 65.24 (d); 52.9 (t); 51.86 (q); 48.65 (s); 47.81 (s); 44.7 (d); 38.37 (t); 32.84 (t); 30.38 (t); 28.37 (t); 26.48 (t); 20.81 (q); 19.91 (q). MS: 300 (0.2, [C₁₅H₂₃NO₅S – 29]⁺), 298 (3), 116 (5.5), 115 (100), 87 (4.2), 59 (6.4), 55 (14.3). HR-MS: 115.0423 ([C₁₅H₂₃NO₅S – C₁₀H₁₆NO₂S]⁺, calc. 115.0395).

*Preparation of N-[2'-(Hydroxyamino)acyl]bornane-10,2-sultams **4** and **9**.* The (*N*-hydroxyamino)acylsultams **4** (R¹ = Me, Me₂CH, Me₂CHCH₂, PhCH₂; *Entries 1–6*) and **9** (R¹ = Me, PhCH₂; *Entries 8 and 9*) were prepared as described in [9b].

(*2S,2'S*)-N-[2'-(*Hydroxyamino*)-3'-(*methoxycarbonyl*)*propionyl*]bornane-10,2-sultam (**4**; R¹ = MeOCOCH₂). Following the *General Procedure* published in [9b], acylsultam **3** (R¹ = MeOCOCH₂; 1.09 g, 3.31 mmol) was treated successively with *1*) sodium hexamethyldisilazane, 2) 1-chloro-1-nitrosocyclohexane, and *3*) aq. 1*N* HCl. The crude product (1.0 g, 84%) was crystallized from AcOEt/hexane to give **4** (0.77 g, 65%). M.p. 155–156°. [α]_D = +67, [α]₅₇₈ = +70, [α]₅₄₆ = +79.4, [α]₄₃₆ = +130, [α]₃₆₅ = +192.9 (c = 1.70). IR, NMR, and MS identical with those of **9** (R¹ = MeOCOCH₂). HR-MS: 118.0523 ([C₁₅H₂₄N₂O₆S – C₁₁H₁₆NO₃S]⁺, calc. 118.0504).

(*2R,2'R*)-N-[2'-(*Hydroxyamino*)-3'-(*methoxycarbonyl*)*propionyl*]bornane-10,2-sultam (**9**; R = MeOCOCH₂). Following the *General Procedure* published in [9b] acylsultam **8** (R = MeOCOCH₂; 1.11 g, 3.4 mmol) was treated successively with *1*) sodium hexamethyldisilazane, 2) 1-chloro-1-nitrosocyclohexane, and *3*) aq. 1*N* HCl. The crude product (0.98 g, 81%) was crystallized from AcOEt/hexane to give **9** (0.75 g, 62%). M.p. 155–156°. [α]_D = −54.6, [α]₅₇₈ = −56.7, [α]₅₄₆ = −63.9, [α]₄₃₆ = −104.1, [α]₃₆₅ = −153.6 (c = 0.97). IR: 3550, 3300, 2960, 1730, 1700, 1450, 1325, 1300, 1275, 1125. ¹H-NMR (400 MHz): 0.98 (s, 3 H); 1.20 (s, 3 H); 1.36–1.43 (2 H); 1.88–1.98 (3 H); 2.06 (m, 1 H); 2.17 (m, 1 H); 2.69 (dd, J = 16, 8, 1 H); 2.95 (dd, J = 16, 6.5, 1 H); 3.47 (d, J = 14, 1 H); 3.55 (d, J = 14, 1 H); 3.70 (s, 3 H); 3.95 (dd, J = 8, 5, 1 H); 4.51 (t, J = 7, 1 H); 5.25 (br. s, 1 H); 6.31 (br. s, 1 H). ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz): 171.08 (s); 170.82 (s); 65.38 (d); 61.16 (d); 53.07 (t); 51.99 (q); 49.0 (s); 47.92 (s); 44.64 (d); 38.13 (t); 33.45 (t); 32.78 (t); 26.52 (t); 20.61 (q); 19.94 (q). MS: 361 (3.3, [C₁₅H₂₄N₂O₆S + 1]⁺), 216 (4), 179 (4.8), 135 (10.1), 118 (100), 102 (27), 86 (67.6), 77 (10.3), 67 (19.1), 58 (43.9), 55 (35.5). HR-MS: 118.0504 ([C₁₅H₂₄N₂O₆S – C₁₁H₁₆NO₃S]⁺, calc. 118.0504).

Reductive Amination of N-[2'-(Hydroxyamino)acyl]bornane-10,2-sultams. General Procedure. The hydroxylamine derivative **4** or **9** (1.14 mmol) was dissolved in a 1*M* methanolic soln. of aldehyde (35 ml). Then, sodium cyanoborohydride (4.14 mmol) was added, the pH was adjusted to 4–6 with methanolic HCl (prepared from AcCl/MeOH 1:5 (v/v)) at 0°, and the mixture was stirred at r.t. until completion of the reaction (TLC). Addition of 1*N* aq. HCl (20 ml), evaporation of MeOH, partitioning of the aq. phase between CH₂Cl₂ and sat. aq. NaHCO₃ soln., drying (MgSO₄), and evaporation of the org. extracts followed by purification of the residue by flash chromatography (FC) and/or crystallization yielded *N*-[2'-(alkyl)(hydroxy)amino]acyl]bornane-10,2-sultams **5** or **10**, respectively.

(*2S,2'S*)-N-[2'-(*Hydroxy*)(*methyl*)*amino*]*propionyl*]bornane-10,2-sultam (**5a**). Using the *General Procedure*, **4** (R¹ = Me; 0.29 g, 0.96 mmol) was converted to crude **5a** (0.24 g, 80%). FC (AcOEt/hexane 3:2) afforded pure **5a** (0.2 g, 67%). M.p. 119–122°. [α]_D = +561, [α]₅₇₈ = +565, [α]₅₄₆ = +571.5, [α]₄₃₆ = +612.5, [α]₃₆₅ = +679 (c = 0.20). IR: 3550, 2950, 1680, 1330, 1275, 1240, 1130. ¹H-NMR (400 MHz): 0.98 (s, 3 H); 1.19 (s, 3 H); 1.36 (d, J = 6.5, 3 H); 1.27–1.41 (2 H); 1.87–2.13 (5 H); 2.71 (s, 3 H); 3.44 (d, J = 14, 1 H); 3.54 (d, J = 14, 1 H); 3.92 (dd, J = 8, 5, 1 H); 4.05 (q, J = 6.8, 1 H); 5.76 (br. s, 1 H). ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz): 172.89 (s); 65.66 (d); 65.55 (d); 53.29 (t); 48.53 (s); 47.79 (s); 44.90 (q); 44.85 (d); 38.72 (t); 33.06 (t); 26.41 (t); 20.98 (q); 19.94 (q); 14.15 (q). MS: 316 (1.0), 185 (1.5), 151 (10), 136 (12), 93 (20), 74 (45), 58 (100). HR-MS: 151.1380 ([C₁₄H₂₄N₂O₄S – C₄H₇NO₄S]⁺, calc. 151.1361).

(*2R,2'R*)-N-{2'-(*Hydroxy*)(*methyl*)*amino*/propionyl}bornane-10,2-sultam (**10a**). Using the General Procedure, **9** ($R^1 = \text{Me}$; 0.33 g, 1.1 mmol) afforded, after FC (AcOEt/hexane 3:2), pure **10a** (0.22 g, 64%). M.p. 119–122°. $[\alpha]_D = -561$, $[\alpha]_{578} = -565$, $[\alpha]_{546} = -571.5$, $[\alpha]_{436} = -612.5$, $[\alpha]_{365} = -679$ ($c = 0.20$). IR, NMR, and MS identical with those of **5a**. HR-MS: 74.0571 ([C₁₄H₂₄N₂O₄S – C₁₁H₁₆NO₃S]⁺, calc. 74.0606).

(*2R,2'R*)-N-{2'-(*Hydroxy*)(*ethyl*)*amino*-3'-phenylpropionyl}bornane-10,2-sultam (**10e**). Using the General Procedure, **9** ($R^1 = \text{PhCH}_2$; 0.36 g, 0.95 mmol) furnished crude **10e** (0.345 g, 90%). Crystallization from EtOH gave pure **10e** (0.30 g, 78%). M.p. 165–168°. $[\alpha]_D = -93$, $[\alpha]_{578} = -97.4$, $[\alpha]_{546} = -112.3$, $[\alpha]_{436} = -198.2$, $[\alpha]_{365} = -337.7$ ($c = 1.14$). IR, NMR, and MS identical with those of **5e**. HR-MS: 164.1070 ([C₂₁H₃₀N₂O₄S – C₁₁H₁₆NO₃S]⁺, calc. 164.1075).

(*2R,2'R*)-N-{2'-(*Hydroxy*)(*isobutyl*)*amino*-3'-phenylpropionyl}bornane-10,2-sultam (**10f**). Using the General Procedure, **9** ($R^1 = \text{PhCH}_2$; 0.50 g, 1.31 mmol) and isobutyraldehyde gave an oil, which was chromatographed (CH₂Cl₂/AcOEt 9:1) to yield pure **10f** as a colorless solid (0.406 g, 71%). M.p. 97–100°. $[\alpha]_D = -112.4$ ($c = 0.59$, 20°). IR, NMR, and MS identical with those of **5f**.

(*2R,2'R*)-N-{2'-(*Hydroxy*)(*methyl*)*amino*-3'-(*methoxycarbonyl*)propionyl}bornane-10,2-sultam (**10g**). Using the General Procedure, **9** ($R^1 = \text{MeOCOCH}_2$; 0.26 g, 0.72 mmol) gave crude **10g** (0.26 g, 96%). FC (AcOEt/hexane 5:1) and crystallization from AcOEt/hexane afforded pure **10g** (0.21 g, 78%). M.p. 143–144°. $[\alpha]_D = -69.5$, $[\alpha]_{578} = -72.4$, $[\alpha]_{546} = -82.8$, $[\alpha]_{436} = -140.9$, $[\alpha]_{365} = -225.7$ ($c = 1.05$). IR: 3560, 3350, 2960, 1730, 1690, 1430, 1330, 1275, 1230, 1160, 1125. ¹H-NMR (400 MHz): 1.00 (s, 3 H); 1.20 (s, 3 H); 1.35–1.41 (2 H); 1.88–2.12 (5 H); 2.71 (s, 3 H); 2.85 (dd, $J = 16$, 7, 1 H); 2.92 (dd, $J = 16$, 7, 1 H); 3.44 (d, $J = 14$, 1 H); 3.53 (d, $J = 14$, 1 H); 3.70 (s, 3 H); 3.98 (dd, $J = 8$, 5, 1 H); 4.42 (t, $J = 7$, 1 H); 5.62 (br. s, 1 H). ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz): 171.38 (s); 170.54 (s); 65.93 (d); 65.83 (d); 53.27 (t); 52.01 (q); 48.39 (s); 47.72 (s); 45.07 (q); 44.55 (d); 38.55 (t); 33.23 (t); 31.13 (t); 26.28 (t); 21.21 (q); 19.92 (q). MS: 375 (5.8, [C₁₆H₂₆N₂O₆S + 1]⁺), 374 (0.6), 132 (100), 116 (8.2), 113 (18.7), 100 (69.55), 93 (12.65), 84 (10.7), 79 (14.3), 77 (9.6), 72 (36.5), 67 (16.4), 59 (20.7), 55 (45.1), 45 (10.6). HR-MS: 132.0661 ([C₁₆H₂₆N₂O₆S – C₁₁H₁₆NO₃S]⁺, calc. 132.0661).

N-O-Hydrogenolysis of *N*-{2'-(*Alkyl*)(*hydroxy*)*amino*/acyl}bornane-10,2-sultams. General Procedure. A mixture of *N*-alkylhydroxylamine **5** or **10** (0.53 mmol) and Zn dust (3.0 g) in 1*n* HCl/AcOH soln. (2:1, 12 ml) was stirred at 0° for 2 d. Then, the mixture was filtered through glass wool, and the Zn was washed with AcOH. The filtrate was evaporated, and the residue was partitioned between CH₂Cl₂ and sat. aq. NaHCO₃ soln. The combined org. extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and evaporated. The crude product was purified by FC and/or crystallization.

(*2S,2'S*)-N-{2'-(*Methylamino*)propionyl}bornane-10,2-sultam (**6a**). Using the General Procedure, **5a** (0.12 g, 0.38 mmol) was reduced with Zn. The crude oil was crystallized from hexane to give pure **6a** (0.081 g, 74%). M.p. 110–112°. $[\alpha]_D = +59.8$, $[\alpha]_{578} = +64.3$, $[\alpha]_{546} = +69.6$, $[\alpha]_{436} = +113.4$, $[\alpha]_{365} = +161.6$ ($c = 1.12$). IR: 3320, 2950, 1700, 1450, 1370, 1275, 1240, 1140. ¹H-NMR (400 MHz): 0.98 (s, 3 H); 1.19 (s, 3 H); 1.27 (d, $J = 6.5$, 3 H); 1.25–1.41 (2 H); 1.88–2.16 (5 H); 2.36 (s, 3 H); 3.45 (d, $J = 14$, 1 H); 3.53 (d, $J = 14$, 1 H); 3.88–3.95 (2 H). ¹³C-NMR (100 MHz): 176.16 (s); 65.65 (d); 57.52 (d); 53.09 (t); 48.68 (s); 47.82 (s); 44.75 (d); 38.77 (t); 33.64 (q); 32.97 (t); 26.43 (t); 20.86 (q); 19.93 (q); 17.96 (q). MS: 119 (1.3, [C₁₄H₂₄N₂O₃S – 181]⁺), 93 (1.15), 77 (1.1), 59 (4.3), 58 (100), 56 (4.1), 55 (2.95). HR-MS: 58.0660 ([C₁₄H₂₄N₂O₃S – C₁₁H₁₆NO₃S]⁺, calc. 58.0657).

(*2S,2'S*)-N-{2'-(*Methylamino*)*3'-methylbutanoyl*}bornane-10,2-sultam (**6b**). Using the General Procedure, **5b** (0.18 g, 0.53 mmol) was reduced with Zn to give crude **6b** (0.165 g, 94%). FC (CH₂Cl₂/AcOEt 5:1) afforded pure **6b** (0.14 g, 82%). M.p. 167–168°. $[\alpha]_D = +89.4$, $[\alpha]_{578} = +93.0$, $[\alpha]_{546} = +105.3$, $[\alpha]_{436} = +175.1$, $[\alpha]_{365} = +259.8$ ($c = 1.22$). IR: 3300, 2950, 1680, 1450, 1380, 1130, 1050. ¹H-NMR (200 MHz): 0.93 (s, 3 H); 0.95 (s, 3 H); 1.00 (s, 3 H); 1.15 (s, 3 H); 1.3–1.5 (2 H); 1.8–2.3 (6 H); 2.35 (s, 3 H); 3.42 (d, $J = 13.5$, 1 H); 3.51 (d, $J = 13.5$, 1 H); 3.53 (d, $J = 8$, 1 H); 3.9 (dd, $J = 7.5$, 5.5, 1 H). ¹³C-NMR (50 MHz): 174.81 (s); 67.23 (d); 65.48 (d); 53.10 (t); 48.39 (s); 47.74 (s); 44.55 (d); 38.77 (t); 33.41 (q); 32.90 (t); 29.32 (d); 26.31 (t); 20.76 (q); 20.21 (q); 19.88 (q); 17.65 (q). MS: 285 (0.6, [C₁₆H₂₈N₂O₃S – C₃H₇]⁺, 86 (100), 71 (6), 70 (5), 55 (10)). HR-MS: 86.0969 ([C₁₆H₂₈N₂O₃S – C₁₁H₁₆NO₃S]⁺, calc. 86.0970).

(*2S,2'S*)-N-{2'-(*Methylamino*)*4'-methylpentanoyl*}bornane-10,2-sultam (**6c**). Using the General Procedure, **5b** (0.29 g, 0.8 mmol) was reduced with Zn to give crude **6c** (0.24 g, 87%). FC (CH₂Cl₂/AcOEt 5:1) afforded pure **6c** (0.21 g, 76%). M.p. 123–125°. $[\alpha]_D = -122.6$, $[\alpha]_{578} = -120.5$, $[\alpha]_{546} = -113.2$, $[\alpha]_{436} = -72.7$, $[\alpha]_{365} = -26.9$ ($c = 0.78$). IR: 3320, 2950, 1690, 1460, 1325, 1270, 1230, 1160, 1130, 1060. ¹H-NMR (200 MHz): 0.93 (d, $J = 7$, 3 H); 0.96 (d, $J = 7$, 3 H); 1.00 (s, 3 H); 1.20 (s, 3 H); 1.3–2.2 (10 H); 2.35 (s, 3 H); 3.45 (d, $J = 14$, 1 H); 3.55 (d, $J = 14$, 1 H); 3.82–3.94 (2 H). ¹³C-NMR (50 MHz): 175.72 (s); 65.42 (d); 60.26 (d); 53.03 (t); 48.58 (s); 47.75 (s); 44.56 (d); 40.45 (t); 38.74 (t); 33.42 (q); 32.85 (t); 26.34 (t); 24.58 (d); 23.49 (q); 21.63 (q); 20.72 (q); 19.85 (q). MS: 100 (100, [C₁₇H₃₀N₂O₃S – C₁₁H₁₈NO₃S]⁺, 98 (2.5), 79 (2.0), 67 (2.6), 58 (13.75), 55 (4.1)). HR-MS: 98.0952 ([C₁₇H₃₀N₂O₃S – C₁₁H₁₈NO₃S]⁺, calc. 98.0969).

(2S,2'S)-N-[2'-(Methylamino)-3'-phenylpropionyl]bornane-10,2-sultam (**6d**). Using the General Procedure, **5d** (0.21 g, 0.53 mmol) was reduced with Zn to give crude **6d** (0.18 g, 90%). Recrystallization from $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{hexane}$ gave pure **6d** (0.15 g, 75%). M.p. 192–194°. $[\alpha]_D = -140.9$, $[\alpha]_{578} = -138.4$, $[\alpha]_{546} = -125.5$, $[\alpha]_{436} = -48.2$, $[\alpha]_{365} = +61.8$ ($c = 0.45$). IR: 3320, 3020, 2960, 1680, 1475, 1450, 1380, 1275, 1170. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz): 0.96 (s, 3 H); 0.99 (s, 3 H); 1.18–1.42 (2 H); 1.88–2.17 (5 H); 2.32 (s, 3 H); 2.70 (dd, $J = 14$, 8, 1 H); 3.15 (dd, $J = 14$, 4, 1 H); 3.46 (d, $J = 13.5$, 1 H); 3.54 (d, $J = 13.5$, 1 H); 3.94 (dd, $J = 7$, 5, 1 H); 4.12 (dd, $J = 8$, 4, 1 H); 7.26–7.29 (5 H). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (50 MHz): 174.60 (s); 137.85 (s); 129.48 (d); 128.27 (d); 126.43 (d); 65.42 (d); 63.39 (d); 52.99 (t); 48.66 (s); 47.78 (s); 44.62 (d); 38.68 (t); 37.78 (t); 33.68 (q); 32.87 (t); 26.33 (t); 20.82 (q); 19.85 (q). MS: 148 (23.7, $[\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S} - 228]^+$), 134 (100), 91 (17.3), 77 (8.5), 55 (10.9). HR-MS: 134.0953 ($[\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{28}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S} - \text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_3\text{S}]^+$, calc. 134.0970).

(2S,2'S)-N-[2'-(Ethylamino)-3'-phenylpropionyl]bornane-10,2-sultam (**6e**). Using the General Procedure, **5e** (0.12 g, 0.3 mmol) was reduced with Zn. The resulting crude foam was crystallized from hexane to yield pure **6e** (0.1 g, 86%). M.p. 195–197° (dec.). $[\alpha]_D = +58.9$, $[\alpha]_{578} = +60.7$, $[\alpha]_{546} = +69.3$, $[\alpha]_{436} = +123.2$, $[\alpha]_{365} = +200$ ($c = 0.28$). IR: 3015, 2965, 1690, 1455, 1335, 1200, 1135. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz): 0.98 (s, 3 H); 0.99 (t, $J = 8$, 3 H); 1.16 (s, 3 H); 1.36–1.42 (2 H); 1.87–1.98 (3 H); 2.10–2.18 (2 H); 2.50 (dq, $J = 14$, 7, 1 H); 2.57 (dq, $J = 14$, 7, 1 H); 2.73 (dd, $J = 14$, 8, 1 H); 3.14 (dd, $J = 14$, 4, 1 H); 3.45 (d, $J = 14$, 1 H); 3.53 (d, $J = 14$, 1 H); 3.92 (t, $J = 8$, 1 H); 4.17 (dd, $J = 8$, 4, 1 H); 7.21–7.29 (5 H). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz): 174.95 (s); 138.09 (s); 129.65 (d); 128.17 (d); 126.35 (d); 65.53 (d); 61.84 (d); 53.12 (t); 48.71 (s); 47.83 (s); 44.81 (d); 41.4 (t); 38.7 (t); 38.2 (t); 33.0 (t); 26.4 (t); 20.8 (q); 19.9 (q); 15.3 (q). MS: 300 (1.0, $[\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S} - \text{C}_7\text{H}_6]^+$), 299 (5.4), 216 (2), 148 (100), 119 (5.8), 104 (2.5), 91 (18.1), 77 (8.6), 56 (22.6). HR-MS: 216.0981 ($[\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S} - \text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}]^+$, calc. 216.1058).

(2S,2'S)-N-[2'-(Isobutylamino)-3'-phenylpropionyl]bornane-10,2-sultam (**6f**). Using the General Procedure, **5f** (0.16 g, 0.37 mmol) was reduced with Zn to give crude **6f** (0.136 g, 87%). Crystallization from Et_2O provided pure compound **6f** (0.11 g, 71%). M.p. 134–136°. $[\alpha]_D = +64.3$, $[\alpha]_{578} = +67.3$, $[\alpha]_{546} = +76.5$, $[\alpha]_{436} = +132.6$, $[\alpha]_{365} = +212.2$ ($c = 0.98$). IR: 3320, 3020, 2970, 1680, 1450, 1330, 1260, 1230, 1130. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz): 0.73 (d, $J = 6$, 3 H); 0.78 (d, $J = 6$, 3 H); 0.98 (s, 3 H); 1.17 (s, 3 H); 1.32–1.45 (2 H); 1.6 (m, 1 H); 1.85–1.97 (3 H); 2.10–2.15 (2 H); 2.25 (dd, $J = 12$, 6, 1 H); 2.34 (dd, $J = 12$, 7, 1 H); 2.72 (dd, $J = 14$, 8, 1 H); 3.12 (dd, $J = 14$, 4, 1 H); 3.43 (d, $J = 14$, 1 H); 3.52 (d, $J = 14$, 1 H); 3.92 (dd, $J = 8$, 7, 1 H); 4.12 (dd, $J = 9$, 4, 1 H); 7.17–7.32 (5 H). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz): 175.04 (s); 138.30 (s); 129.70 (d); 128.06 (d); 126.24 (d); 65.47 (d); 62.02 (d); 54.83 (t); 53.12 (t); 48.69 (s); 47.82 (s); 44.83 (d); 38.72 (t); 38.02 (t); 32.98 (t); 28.45 (d); 26.43 (t); 20.77 (q); 20.40 (q); 20.23 (q); 19.90 (q). MS: 417 (0.2, $[\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{34}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S} - \text{H}]^+$), 329 (2.7), 328 (7.4), 327 (40.6), 177 (13.8), 176 (100), 135 (9.15), 120 (27.3), 91 (13.2), 77 (4.1), 57 (21.7), 55 (6.5). HR-MS: 327.1750 ($[\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{34}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S} - \text{C}_3\text{H}_7]^+$, calc. 327.1758).

(2S,2'S)-N-[2'-(Methoxycarbonyl)-3'-phenylpropionyl]bornane-10,2-sultam (**6g**). Using the General Procedure, **5g** (0.11 g, 0.3 mmol) was reduced with Zn to give crude **6g** (oil, 0.092 g, 92%) which was crystallized from hexane yielding pure **6g** (0.078, 78%). M.p. 104–106°. $[\alpha]_D = +50.3$, $[\alpha]_{578} = +52.4$, $[\alpha]_{546} = +59.2$, $[\alpha]_{436} = +97.3$, $[\alpha]_{365} = +139.5$ ($c = 1.47$). IR, NMR, and MS identical with those of **11g**.

(2R,2'R)-N-[2'-(Methylamino)propionyl]bornane-10,2-sultam (**11a**). Using the General Procedure, **10a** (0.22 g, 0.69 mmol) was reduced with Zn to give crude **11a** (oil, 0.19 g, 92%) which was subjected to FC (AcOEt/hexane 5:1) and crystallization from hexane affording pure **11a** (0.15 g, 74%). M.p. 110–112°. $[\alpha]_D = -59.8$, $[\alpha]_{578} = -64.3$, $[\alpha]_{546} = -69.6$, $[\alpha]_{436} = -113.4$, $[\alpha]_{365} = -161.6$ ($c = 1.12$). IR, NMR, and MS identical with those of **6a**. HR-MS: 58.0640 ($[\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{24}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S} - \text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_3\text{S}]^+$, calc. 58.0657).

(2R,2'R)-N-[2'-(Ethylamino)-3'-phenylpropionyl]bornane-10,2-sultam (**11e**). Using the General Procedure, **10e** (0.20 g, 0.49 mmol) was reduced with Zn, and the crude product was crystallized from hexane to give pure **11e** (0.17 g, 88.5%). M.p. 199–201° (dec.). $[\alpha]_D = -73.9$, $[\alpha]_{578} = -76.5$, $[\alpha]_{546} = -87.8$, $[\alpha]_{436} = -150.4$, $[\alpha]_{365} = -240$ ($c = 1.15$). IR, NMR, and MS identical with those of **6e**. HR-MS: 299.1432 ($[\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{S} - \text{C}_7\text{H}_7]^+$, calc. 299.1429).

(2R,2'R)-N-[2'-(Isobutylamino)-3'-phenylpropionyl]bornane-10,2-sultam (**11f**). Using the General Procedure, **10f** (293 mg, 0.67 mmol) was reduced with Zn to give crude **11f** (268 mg, 95%). FC and crystallization from Et_2O provided pure **11f** (249 mg, 88%). M.p. 136–138°. $[\alpha]_D = -77.8$, $[\alpha]_{578} = -81.2$, $[\alpha]_{546} = -92.6$, $[\alpha]_{436} = -159.0$, $[\alpha]_{365} = -251.6$ ($c = 0.298$). IR, NMR, and MS identical with those of **6f**.

(2R,2'R)-N-[2'-(Methoxycarbonyl)-3'-phenylpropionyl]bornane-10,2-sultam (**11g**). Using the General Procedure, **10g** (0.16 g, 0.43 mmol) was reduced with Zn to give crude **11g** (0.14 g, 92%) as an oil, which was crystallized from hexane affording pure **11g** (0.12 g, 78%). M.p. 104–106°. $[\alpha]_D = -56.7$, $[\alpha]_{578} = -58.2$, $[\alpha]_{546} = -65.7$, $[\alpha]_{436} = -107.5$, $[\alpha]_{365} = -159.7$ ($c = 0.67$). IR: 3350, 2960, 1740, 1690, 1450, 1330, 1270, 1230, 1140. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (400 MHz): 0.99 (s, 3 H); 1.18 (s, 3 H); 1.32–1.45 (2 H); 1.83–1.99 (3 H); 2.17–2.20 (2 H); 2.34 (s, 3 H); 2.53 (dd, $J = 16$, 8, 1 H); 2.84 (dd, $J = 16$, 6, 1 H); 3.46 (d, $J = 14$, 1 H); 3.54 (d, $J = 14$, 1 H); 3.69 (s, 3 H); 3.94 (dd, $J = 8$, 5, 1 H); 4.31 (dd, $J = 8$, 6, 1 H). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (100 MHz): 173.19 (s); 171.06 (s); 65.39 (d); 58.27 (d);

52.99 (*t*); 51.85 (*q*); 48.75 (*s*); 47.81 (*s*); 44.72 (*d*); 38.71 (*t*); 35.79 (*t*); 32.91 (*t*); 32.69 (*q*); 26.40 (*t*); 20.82 (*q*); 19.90 (*q*). MS: 130 (8, $[C_{16}H_{26}N_2O_5S - C_6H_{26}NO_2]^+$, 116 (100), 84 (24.5), 74 (9), 57 (13.8), 56 (11.8), 55 (11). HR-MS: 116.0653 ($[C_{16}H_{26}N_2O_5S - C_{11}H_{16}NO_3S]^+$, calc. 116.0711).

Saponification of N-[2-(Alkylamino)acyl]bornane-10,2-sultams and Determination of the Enantiomeric Purity of Resulting N-Methyl(alkyl)amino Acid. General Procedure. A 1*N* LiOH soln. (1 ml) was added to a soln. of *N*-[2-(*N*-alkylamino)acyl]bornane-10,2-sultam **6** or **11** (0.25 mmol) in THF (2 ml), and the mixture was stirred at 0° until completion of the reaction (TLC). Then, the THF was evaporated, and the resulting aq. phase was partitioned between CH_2Cl_2 and H_2O . The combined org. extracts were washed with H_2O , dried ($MgSO_4$), and evaporated to give the bornane-10,2-sultam auxiliary (85–100%). Acidification of the combined aq. layers to pH 7, addition of ion-exchange resin (*Ambertite IR-120*, 2.0 g) stirring for 16 H, filtration, washing of the resin with dist. H_2O (until the filtrate remained clear upon addition of $AgNO_3/EtOH$), stirring of the resin with 7*N* aq. NH_3 soln. (40 ml) for 4 h, filtration and evaporation of the filtrate, addition of THF/toluene or $EtOH/Et_2O$, evaporation, and drying of the solid residue *in vacuo* provided the corresponding *N*-methyl(alkyl)amino acid. To determine its enantiomeric excess, a soln. of 2,3,4,6-tetra-*O*-acetyl- β -D-glucopyranosyl isothiocyanate (GITC, 2 mg) in MeCN (0.1 ml) was added to a soln. of the corresponding *N*-alkylamino acid (0.1 mg) and NEt_3 (2 μ l) in MeCN/ H_2O 1:1 (0.1 ml). The mixture was kept at r.t. for 20 min. Addition of a 4*M* aq. soln. of NH_3 (20 μ l), stirring for 5 min, and addition of a 4*M* aq. soln. of AcOH (0.3 ml) gave a soln. from which samples (20 μ l) were directly injected into the chromatograph for HPLC analysis.

(2*S*)-*N*-Methylalanine (**7a**). Using the *General Procedure*, **6a** (0.033 g, 0.11 mmol) was saponified to give recovered **1** (0.019 g, 83%) and **7a** (0.010 g, 91%). $[\alpha]_D = +5.6$ (*c* = 1.0, H_2O). IR (KBr): 3650–3450, 3200–2300, 1580, 1475, 1400, 1350, 1100, 1050, 825, 670. 1H -NMR (200 MHz, D_2O): 1.29 (*d*, *J* = 7.2, 3 H); 2.51 (*s*, 3 H); 3.42 (*q*, *J* = 7.2, 1 H). ^{13}C -NMR (50 MHz, D_2O): 174.85 (*s*); 58.82 (*d*); 30.89 (*q*); 14.49 (*q*). MS: 149 (28), 103 (8), 91 (12), 73 (10), 58 (100). HPLC (thiourethane **13**): 8.87 (58.96), 10.82 (0.96).

(2*S*)-*N*-Methylvaline (**7b**). Using the *General Procedure*, **6b** (0.023 g, 0.07 mmol) was saponified to give recovered **1** (0.012 g, 80%) and **7b** (8.4 mg, 90%). M.p. > 230°. $[\alpha]_D = +30.9$ (*c* = 1.0, 5*N* aq. HCl). IR (KBr): 3200–2650, 1575, 1450, 850. 1H -NMR (200 MHz, D_2O): 0.70 (*d*, *J* = 7.5, 3 H); 0.75 (*d*, *J* = 7.5, 3 H); 1.70 (*m*, 1 H); 2.15 (*s*, 3 H); 2.67 (*d*, *J* = 7.5, 1 H). ^{13}C -NMR (50 MHz, D_2O): 172.81 (*s*); 69.71 (*d*); 32.68 (*q*); 29.15 (*d*); 17.85 (*q*); 17.42 (*q*). MS: 132 (2.4, $[C_6H_{13}NO_2 - 1]^+$), 131 (0.6), 88 (69.1), 86 (100), 71 (18.8), 70 (21.2), 55 (28.7), 45 (6.3). HPLC (thiourethane **13**): 15.48 (20.61), 17.94 (0.046).

(2*S*)-*N*-Methylleucine (**7c**). Using the *General Procedure*, **6c** (50 mg, 0.15 mmol) was saponified to give recovered **1** (29 mg, 93%) and **7c** (20 mg, 100%). M.p. > 200° (sublimes). IR (KBr): 3200–2400, 1600, 1500, 850, 675. 1H -NMR (200 MHz, D_2O): 0.74 (br. *s*, 3 H); 0.77 (br. *s*, 3 H); 1.40–1.60 (3 H); 2.50 (*s*, 3 H); 3.37 (br. *t*, *J* = 6, 1 H). ^{13}C -NMR (50 MHz, D_2O): 174.29 (*s*); 62.71 (*d*); 38.97 (*t*); 31.76 (*q*); 24.35 (*d*); 21.93 (*q*); 21.38 (*q*). MS: 146 (1.4, $[C_7H_{15}NO_2 + 1]^+$), 145 (0.7), 100 (100), 88 (40.7), 70 (10.4), 58 (94.1), 45 (12.5). HPLC (thiourethane **13**): 20.31 (25.89), 23.26 (0.031).

(2*S*)-*N*-Methylphenylalanine (**7d**). Using the *General Procedure*, **6d** (94 mg, 0.25 mmol) was saponified to give recovered **1** (48 mg, 90%) and **7d** (41 mg, 92%). M.p. 243–246° (dec.). $[\alpha]_D = +7.6$ (*c* = 0.5, 5*N* aq. HCl). IR (KBr): 3200–2300, 1625, 1485, 1475, 1450, 1430, 875, 860, 750, 700. 1H -NMR (200 MHz, D_2O): 2.25 (*s*, 3 H); 2.85 (*d*, *J* = 7.5, 2 H); 3.30 (*t*, *J* = 7.5, 1 H); 7.0–7.3 (5 H). MS: 179 (3.3, $C_{10}H_{13}NO_2^+$), 148 (10), 134 (25), 119 (7.5), 102 (9.5), 88 (100), 65 (6.6). HPLC (thiourethane **13**): 21.86 (21.96), 24.47 (0.0).

(2*S*)-*N*-Ethylphenylalanine (**7e**). Using the *General Procedure*, **6e** (77 mg, 0.2 mmol) was saponified to give recovered **1** (37 mg, 88%) and **7e** (35 mg, 92%). M.p. 238–240° (dec.). IR (KBr): 3100–2350, 1580, 1440, 1400, 800, 750, 665. 1H -NMR (400 MHz, D_2O): 1.02 (*t*, *J* = 7, 3 H); 2.77 (*dq*, *J* = 14, 7, 2 H); 2.95 (*dd*, *J* = 14, 7, 2 H); 3.58 (*t*, *J* = 7, 1 H); 7.09–7.24 (5 H). MS: 194 (0.62, $[C_{11}H_{15}NO_2 + 1]^+$), 148 (16.25), 120 (11.1), 103 (11.3), 102 (100), 91 (18.7), 77 (9.4), 65 (11.3), 56 (59.3), 46 (4.6). HPLC (thiourethane **13**): 26.44 (41.22), 27.39 (0.0).

(2*S*)-*N*-Isobutylphenylalanine (**7f**). Using the *General Procedure*, **6f** (50 mg, 0.12 mmol) was saponified to give recovered **1** (25 mg, 96%) and **7f** (26 mg, 98%). M.p. > 235–240° (sublimes). IR (KBr): 3200–2700, 1560, 1450, 1380, 830, 700. 1H -NMR (400 MHz, D_2O): 0.71 (*d*, *J* = 4, 3 H); 0.73 (*d*, *J* = 4, 3 H); 1.66 (*m*, 1 H); 2.37 (*dd*, *J* = 12, 8, 1 H); 2.45 (*dd*, *J* = 12, 7, 1 H); 2.85 (*dd*, *J* = 14, 8, 1 H); 2.92 (*dd*, *J* = 14, 6, 1 H); 3.40 (*t*, *J* = 7, 1 H); 7.07–7.22 (5 H). MS: 222 (1.7, $[C_{13}H_{19}NO_2 + 1]^+$), 176 (11.4), 130 (91.8), 120 (29.3), 103 (12.6), 91 (38.1), 84 (10.7), 77 (18.6), 74 (51.2), 65 (19.9), 57 (100), 55 (11.8), 51 (15.5), 45 (10.3). HPLC (thiourethane **13**): 19.99 (29.55), 20.68 (0.0).

(2*S*)-*N*-Methylaspartic Acid (**7g**). Using the *General Procedure*, **6g** (20 mg, 0.056 mmol) was saponified to give recovered **1** (11 mg, 92.5%) and **7g** (7.5 mg, 94%). M.p. 187–190°. IR (KBr): 3600–3000, 1630, 1490, 1420, 1130, 870. 1H -NMR (400 MHz, D_2O): 2.60 (*s*, 3 H); 2.82 (*dd*, *J* = 16, 6, 1 H); 2.88 (*dd*, *J* = 16, 6, 1 H); 3.72 (*t*, *J* = 6, 1 H). MS: 147 (0.7, $C_5H_9NO_4^+$), 102 (100), 88 (14), 84 (34.6), 60 (16.4), 57 (23.45), 56 (18.8). HPLC (thiourethane **13**): 12.44 (88.44), 13.30 (1.63).

(2R)-N-Methylalanine (12a). Using the *General Procedure*, **11a** (79 mg, 0.26 mmol) was saponified to give recovered *ent*-**1** (53 mg, 95%) and **12a** (26 mg, 94%). $[\alpha]_D = -5.6$ ($c = 1.0$, H₂O). IR (KBr): 3650–3450, 3200–2300, 1580, 1475, 1400, 1350, 1100, 1050, 825, 670. ¹H-NMR (400 MHz, D₂O): 1.27 (*d*, $J = 7.2$, 3 H); 2.46 (*s*, 3 H); 3.31 (*m*, 1 H). HPLC (thiourethane **13**): 8.60 (2.26), 10.35 (62.45).

(2R)-N-Ethylphenylalanine (12e). Using the *General Procedure*, **11e** (131 mg, 0.33 mmol) was saponified to give recovered **1** (63 mg, 89%) and **12e** (59 mg, 91%). M.p. 238–240° (dec.). IR (KBr): 3100–2350, 1580, 1440, 1400, 800, 750, 665. ¹H-NMR (400 MHz, D₂O): 1.06 (*t*, $J = 7$, 3 H); 2.86 (*dq*, $J = 14$, 7, 2 H); 3.00 (*dd*, $J = 14$, 7, 2 H); 3.66 (*t*, $J = 7$, 1 H); 7.12–7.23 (5 H). MS: 193 (0.2, C₁₁H₁₅NO₂⁺), 148 (24.2), 120 (10.6), 102 (100), 91 (23.1), 77 (9.8), 56 (27.3), 46 (53). HPLC (thiourethane **13**): 26.04 (0.0), 27.27 (34.66).

(2R)-N-Isobutylphenylalanine (12f). Using the *General Procedure*, **11f** (223 g, 0.53 mmol) was saponified to give recovered **1** (115 mg, 91%) and **12f** (106 mg, 90%). M.p. 236–238° (dec.). HPLC (thiourethane **13**): 20.68 (15.19), 21.45 (0.0).

(2R)-N-Methylaspartic Acid (12g). Using the *General Procedure*, **11g** (42 mg, 0.12 mmol) was saponified to give recovered *ent*-**1** (23 mg, 92%) and **12g** (16 mg, 94%). M.p. 187–190°. IR (KBr): 3600–3000, 1630, 1490, 1420, 1130, 870. ¹H-NMR (400 MHz, D₂O): 2.60 (*s*, 3 H); 2.82 (*dd*, $J = 16$, 6, 1 H); 2.88 (*dd*, $J = 16$, 6, 1 H); 3.72 (*t*, $J = 6$, 1 H). MS: 148 (1.1, [C₅H₉NO₄ + 1]⁺), 147 (0.7), 129 (3.9), 102 (100), 88 (18.6), 84 (49.1), 70 (12.3), 60 (46.75), 56 (42.7), 45 (47.1). HPLC (thiourethane **13**): 12.44 (0.0), 13.26 (90.10).

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