## N,Se-Acetals: Preparation and Use in Diastereoselective Radical Reactions 1)

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A new facile synthesis of N,S- and N,Se-acetals starting from aldehydes and primary amines is presented (Schemes 3-5). These acetals are used as precursors for stereoselective radical deuteration and allylation reactions (Schemes 6 and 7, Tables 1 and 2). The stereochemical outcome of the reactions depends on the radical trap and the substituents at the N-atom. Deuterations give always anti products with moderate to high selectivities. The allylation reactions give either syn or anti products with low to moderate selectivities. The observed stereoselectivities can be explained with a model based on minimization of  $A^{1,3}$  strain and are controlled by steric and stereoelectronic effects.

**Introduction.** – 1-Amidoalkyl radicals A are promising reactive intermediates which can be used for the synthesis of alkaloids and unusual amino acids [2]. In the preceding paper [3a] we have shown, that phthalimido-substituted radicals generated from *Barton* esters, N,Se-acetals, or seleno esters can undergo stereoselective reactions [3b]. The observed selectivities can be explained with a model based on the allylic 1,3-strain ( $A^{1,3}$ strain) [4]. The attack of the radical trap is controlled by stereoelectronic and steric effects. The use of 1-amido-substituted radicals is still sparse because of the limited methods available for their generation. The homolysis of a C-halogen bond represents the most straightforward method; however, this approach is strongly limited by the instability of the precursors [5]. Sulfides and selenides are good substitutes for halides, but up to now, the preparation of N,S- and N,Se-acetals from carbonyl compounds is usually limited to highly reactive aldehydes such as formaldehyde [6] and glyoxalates [7]<sup>2</sup>). The first part of this account describes our investigations towards the preparation of N,S- and N,Se-acetals of type **B** starting from aldehydes and their application in radical reactions (Scheme 1). The second part concerns the study of the factors governing 1,2-asymmetric induction in 1-amido-substituted radicals derived from chiral aldehydes. The potential for such radicals in the synthesis of enantiomerically pure compounds (EPC synthesis) is emphasized.

**Preparation of N,S- and N,Se-Acetals and Radical Generation.** – p-Toluenesulfonamides. It has been well-established that a strong electron-withdrawing group at the N-atom has a beneficial effect on the reactivity of 1-amidoalkyl radicals [1]. Therefore, in preliminary studies, we tried to generate 1-sulfonamido-substituted radicals. For this

<sup>1)</sup> For a preliminary communication of this work, see [1].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>) The preparation of N,S-acetals via N-[1-(1H-benzotriazol-1-yl)alkyl]amides [8] and via the addition of a nitrile to a  $\beta$ -lactam [9] was reported.

EWG = electron-withdrawing group (RCO, ROCO, RSO<sub>2</sub>, ...) X = S, Se

purpose, N,Se-acetal 4 was prepared in two steps from commercially available phenylacetaldehyde dimethyl acetal (1; Scheme 2). Treatment of 1 with BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> and N-methyl-p-toluenesulfonamide (TsNHMe) at  $-78^{\circ}$  provided the N,O-acetal 2 (33%) contaminated with the elimination product 3 (20%). The N,O-acetal 2 was easily transformed to the N,Se-acetal 4 by treatment with selenophenol (2.5 equiv.) and a catalytic amount of p-toluenesulfonic acid (TsOH). Suprisingly, when 4 was irradiated with a 300-W sun lamp at  $10^{\circ}$  under standard radical-reducing conditions (Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH, cat. 2,2′-azobis[isobutyronitrile] (AIBN)), phenylacetaldehyde (6), was isolated instead of the expected sulfonamide 5. This is explained by the  $\beta$ -fragmentation of the intermediate radical 7 leading to the imine 8 which is hydrolyzed during workup to furnish 6 (Scheme 2)<sup>3</sup>).

Carbamates. The first synthesis strategy investigated is based on the formation of intermediate N,O-acetals which can easily be transformed into N,S- and N,Se-acetals according to literature procedures. N,O-Acetals are obtained from aldehydes by the protocol of Böhme and Hartke, i.e., the aldehyde is first converted into an imine which gives an N,O-acetal upon treatment with ethyl chloroformate (= ethyl carbonochloridate) and MeOH/Et<sub>3</sub>N [11]. Preliminary experiments with isobutyroaldehyde (9) showed that the formation of the intermediate N,O-acetal from 10 was not necessary; indeed, the intermediate acyliminium ion can be directly trapped with thiophenol/Et<sub>3</sub>N to give the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>) For related papers on radical β-fragmentation of sulfonamides, see [10].

N,S-acetal 11 (Scheme 3, Method A). The preparation of N,Se-acetal 12 was achieved according to the same procedure (Method A) using selenophenol as nucleophile. Better yields (65%) were obtained when PhSeAl(i-Bu), was used as nucleophile<sup>4</sup>).

The mixed acetals 11 and 12 were then tested as precursors for radical reactions. Irradiation of 11 with a 300-W sun lamp at 10° in the presence of Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH/AIBN gave the desulfurized product 13 in 86% yield (*Scheme 3*) proving that N,S-acetals are suitable precursors for radical generation, but the reduction was slow (12 h). The formation of C-C bonds using the *Pereyre-Keck* allylation procedure failed, and the starting material 11 was recovered unchanged after 24 h of irradiation [13]. The radical reduction of N,Se-acetal 12 in the presence of Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH/AIBN was complete within 1 h and gave carbamate 13 in 80% yield. The allylation reaction of 12 with methyl 2-[(tributyl-stannyl)methyl]prop-2-enoate was also possible and provided 14 in 65% yield. Based on these results, we decided to focus exclusively on N,Se-acetals for radical reactions.

1,2-Asymmetric Induction in Radicals Generated from N,Se-Acetals. — With a good method of preparation of N,Se-acetals in hand, we next turned our attention to radical precursors derived from chiral aldehydes. The optically active aldehyde 16 was obtained in 62% yield from methyl lactate 15 by silylation of the alcohol with triisopropylsilyl trifluoromethanesulfonate ((i-Pr)<sub>3</sub>SiOTf) and subsequent DIBALH reduction of the ester to the aldehyde (*Scheme 4*). Treatment of aldehyde 16 with different primary amines in  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  at  $0^\circ$  gave imines  $17\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$  in good yields. Our standard procedure for the preparation of N,Se-acetals provided the radical precursors  $18\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{c}$  as mixtures of diastereoisomers in 58 to 69% yield, along with  $\beta$ -elimination by-products (5–20%). For synthetic applications, it was important to check that the optical purity of the starting aldehydes was preserved during the N,Se-acetal formation. For this purpose, 18 was transformed into the more volatile oxazolidinone 20a by reduction with 8a0 Bu a1 Bu a2 Bu a3 Bu a4 Bu a4 Bu a4 Bu a5 Bu a4 Bu a5 Bu a5 Bu a6 Bu a6 Bu a6 Bu a6 Bu a9 Bu

<sup>4)</sup> PhSeAl(i-Bu)<sub>2</sub> is easily prepared by treatment of diphenyl diselenide with diisobutylaluminium hydride (DIBALH) (2 equiv.) [12].

by desilylation with  $Bu_4NF$  and base-promoted cyclization. Racemic oxazolidinone  $(\pm)$ -20a was prepared in two steps starting from racemic 1-amino-propano-2-ol  $((\pm)$ -21) according to *Scheme 4*. Gas-chromatography analysis on a chiral capillary column (30% *Diacetoxygamma* in *OV-1701*) showed that the optical purity of the final product 20a was maintained ( $\geq$  95% ee).

The N,Se-acetals **24** and **28a,b** were prepared according to the same procedure starting from chiral aldehydes **22** and **26** via **23** and **27a,b**, respectively (*Scheme 5*). To investigate possible stereoelectronic effects during the radical reactions, we transformed the acetonide **24** into the 1,3-dioxolan-2-one **25** by hydrolysis with CF<sub>3</sub>COOH followed by treatment with 1,1'-carbonylbis[1*H*-imidazole].

Radical Reactions. The results of the radical deuteration and allylation of the precusors 18a-c are summarized in Table 1 and Scheme 6. They show a general trend: the anti/syn ratio is always higher for the deuteration ( $\rightarrow 29a-c$ ) than for the allylation ( $\rightarrow 30a-c$ ). For instance, irradiation of N,Se-acetal 18a with a 300-W sun lamp at  $10^\circ$  in benzene in the presence of Bu<sub>3</sub>SnD and AIBN provided the deuterated product anti-29a in excellent yield and 78% ds (Entry 1). The selectivity was inversed for the radical allylation reaction of 18a with methyl 2-[(tributylstannyl)methyl]prop-2-enoate which gave preferentially syn-30a (Entry 2). The deuteration of the methyl-substituted precursor 18b provided again preferentially anti-29b (87% ds, Entry 3). A complete drop

in selectivity was observed in the allylation of **18b**, the two diastereoisomers being formed in nearly equimolar amounts (*Entry 4*). Deuteration of the isopropyl-substituted precursor **18c** occurred in 80% ds (*Entry 5*), and the C-C bond forming reaction gave preferentially the *anti* isomer of **30c** with a modest selectivity of 67% (*Entry 6*).

Table 1. Radical Reactions with Precursors 18a-c

Entry	Precursor	R	Y	Product	Yield [%]	syn/anti <sup>a</sup> )
1	18a	PhCH,	D	29a	98	22:78 <sup>b</sup> )
2	18a	PhCH <sub>2</sub>	$CH_2=C(COOMe)CH_2$	30a	65	68:32 <sup>b</sup> )
3	18b	Me	D	29Ъ	90	$13:87^{c})^{d}$
4	18b	Me	$CH_2=C(COOMe)CH_2$	30ь	71	55:45 <sup>b</sup> ) <sup>d</sup> )
5	18c	i-Pr	D	29c	81	20:80°)
6	18c	i-Pr	$CH_2 = C(COOMe)CH_2$	30e	61	33:67 <sup>b</sup> ) <sup>d</sup> )

a) syn/anti refers to the arrangement of the groups (i-Pr)<sub>3</sub>SiO and Y. b) Selectivity determined by <sup>1</sup>H-NMR at 80° (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO. c) Selectivity determined by <sup>2</sup>H-NMR at 80° in toluene. d) Configuration not determined, attribution based on analogy of NMR spectra.

The results of the radical reactions of precursors 24, 25, and 28 are summarized in Table 2 and Scheme 7. For the glyceraldehyde-derived precursors 24 and 25, the reaction with Bu<sub>3</sub>SnD gave anti-31 and anti-32 in 73 and 71 % ds, respectively (Entries 1 and 2). The allylation of 24 to 33 was not diastereoselective (Entry 3). However, the allylation of 25 gave preferentially anti-34 in 67 % ds (Entry 4). Reaction of the oxazolidine derivatives 28a and 28b with Bu<sub>3</sub>SnD yielded anti-35a and anti-35b in 76 and 86 % ds (Entries 5 and 6), respectively, whereas the allylation of 28a and 28b afforded preferentially syn-36a and syn-36b in 72 and 56 % ds (Entries 7 and 8).

Table 2. Radical Reactions of Precursors 24, 28, and 28a,b

Entry	Precusor	X,X	R	Y	Product	Yield	[5] syn/anti <sup>a</sup> )
1	24	Me,Me	_	D	31	84	27:73 <sup>b</sup> )
2	25	O	_	D	32	69	29:71 b)
3	24	Me,Me	-	$CH_2=C(COOMe)CH_2$	33	62	52:48 <sup>b</sup> ) <sup>c</sup> )
4	25	0	_	$CH_2 = C(COOMe)CH_2$	34	73	33:67 <sup>b</sup> ) <sup>c</sup> )
5	28a		PhCH <sub>2</sub>	D	35a	86	24:76 <sup>b</sup> )
6	28b	_	Me	D	35b	69	14:86 <sup>d</sup> )
7	28a	_	PhCH,	$CH_2 = C(COOMe)CH_2$	36a	58	72:28 <sup>b</sup> ) <sup>c</sup> )
8	28b	_	Me	CH,=C(COOMe)CH,	36b	47	56:44 <sup>b</sup> ) c

a) syn/anti refers to the arrangement of the heteroatom (O or N) of the 5-ring and Y. b) Selectivity determined by H-NMR at 80° in (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO. c) Configuration not determined, attribution based on analogy of NMR spectra. d) Selectivity determined by <sup>2</sup>H-NMR at 80° in toluene.

Determination of Relative Configuration. To establish their relative configurations, some of the products were converted into cyclic derivatives suitable for NOE measurements. The relative configuration of the other products were deduced by comparison of

the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra. For instance, the major deuterated products anti-29a and anti-29c were transformed into oxazolidinones 37a and 37c, respectively, by treatment with Bu<sub>4</sub>NF followed by NaH (Scheme 8). NOE Measurements were performed on the undeuterated analogs 20a (Scheme 4) and 20c (prepared according to the procedure for 20a starting from 18c). They allow to assign unambiguously the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR signals of 20a,c (see Scheme 8). Based on these chemical shifts, it is possible to deduce that the anti isomers of 29a and 29c were formed preferentially during the radical deuteration. The anti configuration of 29b was assigned by the strong resemblance of its <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum to the one of anti-29c. The relative configuration of the allylation product 30a was established after separation of the two diastereoisomers by prep. HPLC followed by desilylation with Bu<sub>4</sub>NF. The major isomer cyclized directly upon deprotection to provide  $\alpha$ -methylidene-lactone trans-38. The minor isomer gave alcohol anti-39 which failed to cyclize even upon treatment with p-toluenesulfonic acid (Scheme 8). The spontaneous cyclization of the major isomer of 30a suggested that its relative configuration was most probably syn; this was further confirmed by NOE measurements on 38 and from <sup>1</sup>H-NMR coupling constants. The relative configurations of 30b and 30c were not determined but assigned by comparison of their <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra with the one of 30a.

Deprotection of *anti*-31 (major isomer) with CF<sub>3</sub>COOH provided diol 40 in 88% yield (*Scheme 9*). Monosilylation of 40 with (*tert*-butyl)chlorodimethylsilane gave 41 which afforded oxazolidinone 42 after treatment with NaH. The undeuterated analog 43 was prepared similarly using the product of Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH-mediated radical reduction of 24. NOE Experiments permitted to assign unambiguously the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR signals of 43 (see *Scheme 9*) and to determine the *anti* configuration of 31 (major isomer). Conversion of diol 40 into 32 by treatment with 1,1'-carbonylbis[1*H*-imidazole] allowed us to establish the relative *anti* configuration of the major isomer of 32. The relative configuration of the allylated compounds 33 and 34 was not established but assigned based on analogies of their <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra with that of 30a. The configuration of the oxazolidine deriva-

tive anti-35a (major isomer) was determined by its conversion into anti-44 by hydrolysis with CF<sub>3</sub>COOH followed by silylation with (tert-butyl)chlorodimethylsilane (Scheme 9). The relative configuration of 44 was assessed by independent synthesis from 41. Tosylation of alcohol 41 gave 45 which was treated with NaN<sub>3</sub> followed by reduction with PPh<sub>3</sub> to give syn-44 as the major isomer due to inversion of configuration during the nucleophilic substitution step. This compound was found to be identical with the minor isomer of 44 obtained from 35a, proving that the major product of the radical deuteration had anti configuration. The configuration of the allylated compounds 36a and 36b were assessed by comparison of their <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra with that of 50a.

 $TBDMS = (t-Bu)Me_2Si, Bn = PhCH_2$ 

**Discussion.** – All radical precursors demonstrate a similar trend, *i.e.*, deuteration afforded preferentially the *anti* product with higher selectivities than the corresponding allylation reactions. In some cases, a reversal of selectivity was even observed (*e.g.*, radical precursors **18a** and **28a**). A second general trend was noticed relative to the substituent at the N-atom. The PhCH<sub>2</sub> group tends to favor the production of the *syn* isomers in all investigated cases relative to the Me or i-Pr groups. To rationalize these trends, three effects have to be taken into account: *i*) the  $A^{1,3}$  strain controls the conformation of 1-amidoalkyl radicals; therefore, the C-H bond at the stereogenic center prefers to be coplanar with the N-C\* bond (*Fig.*, C); *ii*) stereoelectronic effects may favor attack *anti* to the heteroatom X (O or N) or *anti* to the group R depending on the nature of the radical trap (*Fig.*, D and D'); *iii*) the  $A^{1,3}$  strain of the carbamate moiety controls the orientation of the group R' at its N-atom, this effect is of importance only if R' = PhCH<sub>2</sub>

(Fig., E and E'). The different models presented in the Figure have to be considered together. When the substituent at the N-atom is a Me or an i-Pr group, the radical exists in conformation C<sup>5</sup>). The stereochemistry of the reaction is governed by steric and stereoelectronic interactions. For radicals derived from 18b,c and 28b, steric effects favor the attack anti to the bulky substituted heteroatom (anti attack  $\rightarrow$  anti products). The anti deuteration is favored by stereoelectronic effects (see D). Indeed, the nucleophilic character of the Bu<sub>3</sub>SnD favors attack anti to the electron-withdrawing heteroatom X; therefore, with these three substrates, a good level of anti selectivity is observed (80–87% ds). The reaction with methyl 2-[(tributylstannyl)methyl]prop-2enoate, an electron-poor radical trap, is favored by stereoelectronic effects in an anti fashion relative to the best electron-donating group, i.e., the alkyl substituent R (see D'); this corresponds to the syn attack depicted in C. The selectivities observed in these cases are low, 55-67% ds, because of the antagonist influence of steric and stereoelectronic effects. The deuteration and allylation of 24 and 25 can be analyzed with the same model. However, steric interactions are not expected to be very important. The deuteration is mainly governed by stereoelectronic effects according to model D; therefore, anti products are formed with a moderate stereoselectivity (73 and 71 % ds, resp.). The absence of selectivity for the allylation reaction of 24 is attributed to an antagonist stereoelectronic effect according to model D'. In the case of 25, the electron-donating ability of the alkyl group R is lower because of the presence of the cyclic carbonate; therefore, a low selectivity for the anti product is still observed. The N-benzyl-substituted radical precursors 18a and 28a gave for the deuteration and for the allylation more syn products than the corresponding N-methyl (18b and 27b) and N-isopropyl (18c) derivatives. This particular effect of the PhCH<sub>2</sub> group can be attributed to the second A<sup>1,3</sup> strain, caused by the carbamate moiety. In the most stable conformations, one of the diastereotopic benzylic H-atoms is coplanar with the C(O)-N bond, the Ph group can be either syn to the alkyl group R (see E) or syn to the X group (see E'). Because of steric hindrance  $(X = (i-Pr)_3SiO \text{ or BocN}(R), \text{ the Ph group prefers to be } syn \text{ to } R \text{ (E) and, therefore, it}$ shields the so-called anti attack leading to the anti isomer. For the deuteration, a moderate anti selectivity is still observed (76-78% ds). The stereochemical outcome of the allylation is reversed, and the syn products are preferentially obtained in 68 and 72 % ds. This inversion is attributed to cumulative stereoelectronic effects and shielding by the Ph group at the prochiral center.

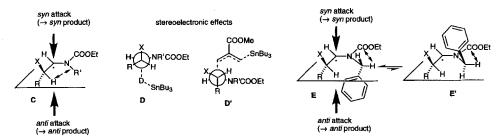


Figure. Proposed models for the stereochemical outcome of radical reactions. Allylic strain is indicated by a double arrow.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>) For convenience, all structures in the Figure have the same absolute configuration at the stereogenic center.

Conclusion. – We have developed an efficient transformation of aldehydes into N,Seacetals which can be applied to substrates possessing a stereogenic center in the  $\alpha$ -position without racemization. These N,Se-acetals are good radical precursors and can be used for stereoselective radical reactions. Interestingly, the stereochemical outcome of the reactions is not simply governed by the well established  $A^{1,3}$  strain of 1-amido-substituted radicals and by steric considerations. Stereoelectronic effects also play an important role as well as the prochiral center of substituents at the N-atom because of preferential orientation due to a second  $A^{1,3}$  strain. The importance of stereoelectronic effects has long been questioned in radical reactions [14]; the results presented here suggest that 1-amidoalkyl radicals are particularly sensitive to such effects. Further studies in order to separate as much as possible stereoelectronic and steric effects are underway in our laboratory.

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## **Experimental Part**

General. See [3a]. Differing from [3a] or in addition: M.p.: not corrected; Büchi-Tottoli apparatus. NMR Spectra:  $\delta(H)$  in ppm also rel. to (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO (= 2.49 ppm); no <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra were measured for the carbamate derivatives due to the presence of rotamers at r.t.

General Procedure 1: 'Imine' Formation. To a 1M aldehyde soln. in dry  $\rm Et_2O$  at  $0^\circ$ , an equimolar amount of the primary amine was added dropwise. The soln. was stirred at  $0^\circ$  for 1 h. The mixture was then washed with  $\rm H_2O$  and brine and the org. layer dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and evaporated to give the crude imine which was pure enough for further use.

General Procedure 2: Formation of N,Se-Acetals. A 1M ethyl carbonochloridate soln. in dry  $\rm Et_2O$  was added under  $\rm N_2$  to an equimolar amount of a 1M imine soln., prepared according to  $\rm GP$  1, in dry  $\rm Et_2O$ . The mixture was stirred at r.t. for 1–5 h, cooled to  $\rm 0^\circ$ , and treated with a soln. of diisobutyl (phenylseleno)aluminium in toluene (1.1 equiv.; freshyl prepared by adding to  $\rm 0^\circ$  0.5 equiv. of diphenyl diselenide to 1M DIBALH in toluene according to [12]). After 1 h at  $\rm 0^\circ$ , the mixture was treated with MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O 1:2.5 (1 equiv. of MeOH), the gel-like precipitate filtered through Celite, the filtrate washed with  $\rm H_2O$  and sat. brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and evaporated, and the residue purified by FC.

General Procedure 3: Radical Reduction and Deuteration. A soln. of the radical precursor,  $Bu_3SnH/Bu_3SnD$  (1.3 equiv.), and AIBN (0.1 equiv.) was irradiated with a 300-W sun lamp for 1.5 h at 10°. A sat. aq. KF soln. was added, and the mixture was stirred for 1 h at r.t. and poured into  $Et_2O$ . The org. phase was washed with  $H_2O$  and brine and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>). The diastereoselectivity was determined by  $^1H$ -NMR after concentration and filtration through a short column of silica gel.

General Procedure 4: Radical Allylation. A soln. of the radical precursor, methyl 2-[(tributyl-stannyl)methyl]prop-2-enoate (3.0 equiv.), and AIBN (0.1 equiv.) was irradiated with a 300-W sun lamp for several hours at  $10^{\circ}$ . Portions of AIBN (0.1 equiv.) were added every 6 h. After completion of the reaction (TLC monitoring), a sat. aq. KF soln. was added and the mixture stirred for 1 h at r.t. The aq. layer was extracted with  $Et_2O(3 \times)$  and combined org. phase washed with  $H_2O$  and brine and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>). The diastercoselectivity was determined by  ${}^1H$ -NMR after concentration and filtration through a short column of silica gel.

General Procedure 5: Deprotection of the Silylated OH Groups. The silyl ether was dissolved in 2 equiv. of  $1MBu_4NF$  in THF. The mixture was left overnight at r.t. The soln. was diluted with  $Et_2O$  and washed with  $H_2O$  and brine. The org. layer was dried  $(MgSO_4)$  and evaporated. FC of the residue gave the free alcohol.

General Procedure 6: Preparation of Oxazolidinones. A soln. of the alcohol in THF was cooled to  $0^{\circ}$  and treated with NaH (55% in oil; 1.3 equiv.). The mixture was stirred at  $0^{\circ}$  for 30 min and then treated with  $H_2O$  and extracted with  $Et_2O$  (3×). The org. phases were washed with  $H_2O$  and brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and evaporated. FC gave the desired oxazolidinone.

N-(1-Methoxy-2-phenylethyl)-N-methyl-p-toluenesulfonamide (2). A soln. of 1 (831 mg, 5.00 mmol) and N-methyl-p-toluenesulfonamide (926 mg, 5.00 mmol) in dry  $CH_2Cl_2$  (10 ml) was cooled to  $-78^\circ$  under  $N_2$ . A soln. of  $BF_3 \cdot OEt_2$  (0.70 ml, 5.50 mmol) in dry  $CH_2Cl_2$  (5 ml) was added, and the mixture was stirred at  $-78^\circ$ 

for 2 h. A 10 %  $Na_2CO_3$  soln. was added, and the mixture was left to warm to r.t. The aq. layer was extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (2 × ) and the combined org. phase washed with  $H_2O$  and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>). Evaporation and FC of the residue provided **2** (607 mg) containing 10 % of N-methyl-N-(2-phenylethenyl)-p-toluenesulfonamide (3). Recrystallization in  $Et_2O$ /hexane gave pure **2** (527 mg, 33 %). White solid. M.p. 87–90°. IR (KBr): 3061, 3026, 2944, 2834, 1933, 1819, 1595, 1452, 1325. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (360 MHz): 7.38–7.11 (m, 5 arom. H); 5.26 (dd, J = 7.1, 5.7, CHN); 3.28 (s, MeO); 2.94 (dd, J = 14.0, 7.1, 1 H, PhC $H_2$ ); 2.71 (s, Me); 2.55 (dd, J = 14.0, 6.0, 1 H, PhC $H_2$ ); 2.40 (s,  $MeC_6H_4$ ). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (50.3 MHz): 143.08 (s); 136.69 (s); 136.60 (s); 129.51 (d); 129.31 (d); 128.51 (d); 127.10 (d); 126.62 (d); 89.36 (d); 55.74 (q); 39.68 (t); 26.67 (q); 21.42 (q). CI-MS: 289 (18), 288 (100), 228 (8). HR-FAB-MS: 320.1335 ( $[C_{17}H_{21}NO_3S + H]^+$ ; calc. 320.1320).

N-Methyl-N-[2-phenyl-1-(phenylseleno) ethyl]-p-toluenesulfonamide (4). A soln. of **2** (319 mg, 1.00 mmol), selenophenol (0.27 ml, 2.50 mmol), and TsOH · H<sub>2</sub>O (24 mg, 0.13 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 ml) was left at r.t. for 2 h. More CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was added, the soln. washed with 10 % NaHCO<sub>3</sub> soln. and H<sub>2</sub>O, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and evaporated, and the residue purified by FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:5): **4** (314 mg, 69 %). Colorless oil. IR (film): 3061, 3028, 2926, 1950, 1599, 1341, 1161, 941. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (360 MHz): 7.57–7.54 (m, 2 arom. H); 7.34–7.23 (m, 8 arom. H); 7.16–7.14 (m, 2 arom. H); 7.09–7.07 (m, 2 arom. H); 6.04 (dd, J = 8.6, 6.8, CHSe); 3.12 (dd, J = 14.3, 6.8, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.00 (dd, J = 14.3, 8.6, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 2.86 (s, MeN); 2.37 (s,  $MeC_6$ H<sub>4</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (50.3 MHz): 143.03 (s); 137.32 (s); 136.04 (d); 136.00 (s); 129.38 (d); 129.02 (d); 128.58 (d); 128.25 (d); 127.89 (s); 127.31 (d); 126.91 (d); 63.76 (d); 41.37 (t); 29.37 (t); 21.41 (q). CI-MS: 289 (20), 288 (100, [M —  $C_6$ H<sub>5</sub>Se] +), 157 (9). FAB-MS: 444 (32, M +). Anal. calc. for  $C_2$ H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>SSe (444.45): C 59.45, H 5.22, N 3.15; found: C 59.59, H 5.32, N 3.13.

Phenylacetaldehyde (6). A soln. of 4 (327 mg, 0.72 mmol), Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH (0.29 ml, 1.08 mmol), and AIBN (18 mg, 0.11 mmol) in benzene (7 ml) was irradiated with a 300-W sun lamp for 12 h at  $10^{\circ}$  under N<sub>2</sub>. A sat. aq. KF soln. was added and the mixture stirred at r.t. for 1 h. The aq. layer was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3 ×) and the combined org. phase washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>). Evaporation and FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:10) gave 6 (42 mg, 48%).

N-(2-Methylpropylidene) benzenemethanamine (10). According to GP 1, from 9 (9.13 ml, 0.10 mol) and benzenemethanamine (10.9 ml, 0.10 mol). Distillation provided 10 (13.9 g, 86%). B.p.  $105^{\circ}/15$  mbar. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz): 7.65 (dm, J = 6.0, HC=N); 4.58 (s, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 2.61-2.42 (m, Me<sub>2</sub>CH); 1.11 (d, J = 6.7, Me<sub>2</sub>CH).

Ethyl Benzyl[2-methyl-1-(phenylseleno)propyl]carbamate (12). Method A: With 10 (322 mg, 2.00 mmol), ethyl carbonochloridate (0.19 ml, 2.00 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (2 ml), and selenophenol (0.27 ml, 2.50 mmol), according to the procedure for 11. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:5) gave 12 (293 mg, 33%).

*Method B*: According to *GP 2*, with **10** (322 mg, 2.00 mmol), ethyl carbonochloridate (0.19 ml). 1M DIBALH (2.2 ml), and diphenyl diselenide (344 mg, 1.10 mmol). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:5) gave **12** (507 mg, 64%). Colorless oil. IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>): 2978, 1739, 1697.  $^{1}$ H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.47–7.46 (m, 2 arom. H); 7.28–7.20 (m, 8 arom. H); 5.22 (d, d = 9.8, CHSe); 4.50 (s, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.03–3.93 (m, MeC $H_2$ ); 2.28 (dsept., d = 9.9, 6.7, Me<sub>2</sub>CH); 1.02, 0.76 (2d, d = 6.7, d = 6.7, d = 6.7, Me<sub>2</sub>CH). FAB-MS: 390 (10, d + 1), 235 (100), 213 (100), 160 (100), 136 (60), 119 (100). Anal. calc. for  $C_{20}H_{25}NO_{2}Se$  (390.39): C 61.53, H 6.45; found: C 61.64, H 6.49.

Ethyl Benzyl(2-methylpropyl)carbamate (13). a) Starting from 11: According to GP 3, with 11 (253 mg, 0.74 mmol), Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH (0.29 ml, 1.11 mmol), AIBN (16 mg, 0.10 mmol), and dry benzene (5 ml); 12 h irradiation. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:7) gave 13 (150 mg, 86%).

b) Starting from 12: According to GP 3, with 12 (195 mg, 0.50 mmol), Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH (0.20 ml, 0.75 mmol), AIBN (12 mg, 0.08 mmol), and dry benzene (4 ml); 2 h irradiation. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:7) gave 13 (94 mg, 80%). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2961, 2933, 2872, 1703, 1468, 1423, 1244. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.34–7.22 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.40 (s, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.08 (q, J = 7.0, MeC $H_2$ ); 3.03 (d, J = 7.3, Me<sub>2</sub>CHC $H_2$ ); 1.92 (sept., J = 6.8, Me<sub>2</sub>CH); 1.18 (t, J = 7.0, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 0.83 (d, J = 6.7, Me<sub>2</sub>CH). CI-MS: 236 (100, [M + 1]<sup>+</sup>), 235

 $(11, M^+)$ , 192 (27), 158 (13), 91 (11). Anal. calc. for  $C_{14}H_{21}NO_2$  (235.33): C 71.46, H 8.99, N 5.95; found: C 71.30, H 8.74. N 5.75.

(S)-2-[(Triisopropylsilyl) oxy]propanal (16) [17]. Triisopropylsilyl triflate (35.0 ml, 0.13 mol) was added at 0° under N<sub>2</sub> to a soln. of (--)-L-methyl lactate (15; 10.4 g, 0.10 mol) and freshly distilled 2,6-dimethylpyridine (29.0 ml, 0.25 mol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (100 ml). The mixture was stirred for 30 min at 0° and then washed with 3m HCl and H<sub>2</sub>O. The org. layer was dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and evaporated. The residue was distilled under vacuum to yield methyl (S)-2-[(triisopropylsilyl)oxy]propanoate (24.8 g, 95%). Colorless liquid. B.p. 115-118°/20 mbar. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz): 4.43 (q, J = 6.8, CHO); 3.12 (s, MeO); 1.42 (d, J = 6.7, Me); 1.06-1.02 (m, 21 H, (i-Pr)<sub>3</sub>Si).

To a soln. of the protected ester (13.0 g, 50.0 mmol) in dry  $Et_2O$  (250 ml) at  $-78^{\circ}$  under  $N_2$ , 1M DIBALH in toluene (75 ml) was added, and the mixture was stirred for 10 min, treated with MeOH (3 ml) and  $H_2O$  (7.5 ml), and allowed to warm to r.t. The gel-like precipitate was filtered through *Celite*. The filtrate was dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and evaporated. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:10) gave **16** (7.48 g, 65%). Colorless liquid. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz): 9.62 (d, J = 1.7, HCO); 4.14 (gd, J = 6.8, 1.7, MeCH); 1.27 (d, J = 6.8, Me); 1.04–1.00 (m, 21 H, (i-Pr)<sub>3</sub>Si).

N- $\{(2S)-2-[(Triisopropylsilyl)oxy]propylidene\}$  benzenemethanamine (17a). According to GP1 with 16 (4.61 g, 20.0 mmol) and benzenemethanamine (2.18 ml, 20.0 mmol). Evaporation gave 17a (5.59 g, 87%). Colorless liquid. IR (film): 3065, 2961, 2892, 1675, 1464, 1114, 1096.  $^{1}$ H-NMR (360 MHz): 7.67 (dt, J = 5.1, 1.4, CH=N); 7.34–7.23 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.58 (s, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.46 (guint., J = 6.2, CHO); 1.34 (d, J = 6.6, Me); 1.05–1.03 (m, 21 H, (i-Pr) $_3$ Si).  $^{13}$ C-NMR (50.3 MHz): 168.97 (d); 138.88 (s); 128.35 (d); 127.96 (d); 126.90 (d); 70.63 (d); 64.37 (t); 22.00 (d); 17.89 (g); 12.18 (g). CI-MS: 321 (17, [M + 1] $^+$ ), 320 (60, M $^+$ ), 276 (100), 277 (24), 91 (14). Unstable, not suitable for elemental analysis.

N- $\{(2S)$ -2- $\{(Triisopropylsilyl)oxy\}$ propylidene $\}$ methanamine (17b). Prepared according to  $GP\ 1$  with 16 (6.91 g, 30.0 mmol) and MeNH<sub>2</sub> (25 ml, 563 mmol) in a sealed flask. Excess MeNH<sub>2</sub> and solvent were evaporated: 17b (6.61 g, 90%). Yellow liquid. IR (film): 2945, 2867, 1680, 1464, 1095, 833.  $^{1}$ H-NMR (360 MHz): 7.57-7.54 (m, CH=N): 4.36 (quint., J = 6.1, CHO); 3.27 (d, J = 1.1, MeN); 1.29 (d, J = 6.3, Me); 1.07-1.03 (m, 21 H, (i-Pr)<sub>3</sub>Si).  $^{13}$ C-NMR (50.3 MHz): 169.33 (d); 70.55 (d); 47.26 (q); 21.82 (d); 17.90 (g); 12.17 (g). CI-MS: 244 (59,  $[M+1]^+$ ), 200 (100), 157 (14), 131 (18). Unstable, not suitable for elemental analysis.

1-Methyl-N- $\{(2S)-2-[(triisopropylsilyl) oxy] propylidene\}$  ethanamine (17c). According to GP 1 with 16 (2.62 g, 10.0 mmol) and (i-Pr)NH<sub>2</sub> (1.70 ml, 20.0 mmol). Excess (i-Pr)NH<sub>2</sub> and solvent were evaporated: 17c (2.34 g, 86%). Yellow liquid. IR (film): 2986, 2944, 2867, 1670, 1096. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (360 MHz): 7.53 (d, J = 5.7, CH=N); 4.36 (qd, J = 6.3, 5.7, CHO); 3.29 (sept., J = 6.3, Me<sub>2</sub>CH); 1.15, 1.14 (2 d, J = 6.3, Me<sub>2</sub>CH); 1.28 (d, J = 6.3, Me); 1.07–1.03 (m, 21 H, (i-Pr)<sub>3</sub>Si). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (50.3 MHz): 165.24 (d); 70.60 (d); 60.63 (d); 23.87 (d or q); 23.62 (d or q); 22.09 (d); 17.87 (q); 12.08 (g). CI-MS: 272 (22, M<sup>+</sup>), 228 (23), 173 (8), 157 (26), 131 (38), 88 (45), 61 (38). Unstable, not suitable for elemental analysis.

Ethyl Benzyl { (1R,2S)- and (1S,2S)-1-(phenylseleno)-2-[(triisopropylsilyl) oxy]propyl} carbamate (18a). According to GP 2, with 17a (4.79 g, 15.0 mmol), ethyl carbonochloridate (1.43 ml, 15.0 mmol), 1M DIBALH (16.5 ml, 16.5 mmol), and diphenyl diselenide (2.58 g, 8.25 mmol); 3 h at r.1. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:10) gave 18a (4.91 g, 60%; 1:1 diastereoisomer mixture, contaminated with 20% of elimination product). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2944, 2867, 1704.  $^{1}$ H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°, 1:1 mixture): 7.51–7.48 (m, 2 arom. H, isomer 1 or 2); 7.35–7.32 (m, 2 arom. H, isomer 1 or 2); 7.32–7.20 (m, 8 arom. H); 5.58 (d, d = 6.4, CHSe, isomer 1 or 2); 4.81 (d, d = 15.8, 1 H of PhCd2, isomer 1 or 2); 4.56 (d3, d4, d5, d7, d8, d8, d9, d

Ethyl Methyl{(1R,2S)- and (1S,2S)-1-(phenylseleno)-2-[(triisopropylsilyl)oxy]propyl}carbamate (18b). According to GP 2, with 17b (487 mg, 2.00 mmol), ethyl carbonochloridate (0.19 ml, 2.00 mmol), 1M DIBALH (2.2 ml, 2.2 mmol), and diphenyl diselenide (344 mg, 1.10 mmol); 2 h reflux. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:10) gave 18b (489 mg, 52%; diastereoisomer mixture). IR (film): 2944, 2868, 1705, 1580, 1466, 1385, 1304, 1136. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR

(360 MHz,  $(D_6)$ DMSO,  $80^\circ$ ; diastereoisomer mixture): 7.55–7.49 (m, 2 arom. H); 7.29–7.21 (m, 3 arom. H); 5.77 (d, J = 5.2, CHSe, major); 5.73 (d, J = 6.7, CHSe, minor); 4.45 (qd, J = 6.1, 5.2, CHO, major); 4.31 (quint., J = 6.1, CHO, minor); 3.96–3.77 (m, MeCH $_2$ ); 2.97 (s, MeN, major); 2.85 (s, MeN, minor); 1.29 (d, J = 6.1, Me, minor); 1.27 (d, J = 6.1, Me, major); 1.12–1.02 (m, 24 H, MeCH $_2$ , and (i-Pr) $_3$ Si). CI-MS: 317 (21), 316 (100, [M —  $C_6$ H $_5$ Se] $^+$ ), 300 (10), 157 (11), 104 (12). Anal. calc. for  $C_{22}$ H $_{39}$ NO $_3$ SeSi (472.60): C 55.91, H 8.32, N 2.96; found: C 55.88, H 8.51, N 2.84.

Ethyl Isopropyl{(1R,2S)- and (1S,2S)-1-(phenylseleno)-2-[(triisopropylsilyl) oxy]propyl}carbamate (18c). According to GP 2, with 17c (543 mg, 2.00 mmol), ethyl carbonochloridate (0.19 ml, 2.00 mmol), 1M DIBALH (2.2 ml, 2.2 mmol), and diphenyl diselenide (344 mg, 1.10 mmol); 12 h at r.t. FC (Et<sub>2</sub>/hexane 1:9) gave 18c (621 mg, 62%; 2:1 diastereoisomer mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2969, 2943, 2867, 1707, 1438, 1280. 

1H-NMR ((D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°; 2:1 mixture): 7.54–7.40 (m, 2 arom. H); 7.30–7.24 (m, 3 arom. H); 5.51 (br. d, d) = 4.0, CHSe, major); 5.31 (br. d), CHSe, minor); 4.57 (d), d) = 6.4, 4.6, CHO, major); 4.49–4.41 (d), CHO, minor); 4.17 (d), d) = 6.7, d), d0 = 6.7, d0, d0, d0, d1, d2, d3, d3, d4, d3, d4, d5, d5, d6, d6, d6, d7, d9, d

Ethyl Benzyl $\{(S)-2-\{(triisopropylsilyl) oxy\} propyl\}$  carbamate (19a). According to GP 3, with 18a (1.10 g, 2.00 mmol), Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH (0.69 ml, 2.60 mmol), AIBN (33 mg, 0.20 mmol), and benzene (10 ml). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:10) provided 19a (0.77 g, 98%). Colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.34–7.18 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.51 (s, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.19–4.13 (m, CHO); 4.08 (g, g); 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.26–3.02 (g); 1.21–0.92 (g), 27 H, Me, MeCH<sub>2</sub>, (i-Pr)<sub>3</sub>Si).

(S)-3-Benzyl-5-methyloxazolidin-2-one ((-)-20a). According to GP 5, with 19a (348 mg, 0.88 mmol) and Bu<sub>4</sub>NF soln. (2 ml). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:2) provided the free alcohol (200 mg, 95%). Colorless oil. [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>2</sub> $\alpha$  = 4.2 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\alpha$  = 2.8 · 10<sup>-3</sup>). IR (film): 3442, 2978, 2933, 1688, 1422, 1241, 1132. (360 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.33-7.22 ( $\alpha$ , 5 arom. H); 4.56 ( $\alpha$  of  $\alpha$  ab,  $\alpha$  ab = 15.5, 1 H, PhC $\alpha$  ab

According to GP 6, with the free alcohol (56 mg, 0.24 mmol), THF (1 ml), and NaH (55% in oil; 13 mg, 0.29 mmol). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:1) gave **20a** (43 mg, 94%). Colorless liquid. [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>0</sub><sup>20</sup> = -45.75 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>,  $c = 1.33 \cdot 10^{-3}$ ). GC (30% Diacetoxygamma in OV-1701, 120°):  $t_R$  182.8 ((S)) and 183.2 ((R)) min; ee  $\geq 95$ %. IR (film): 2981, 2931, 1754, 1429, 1061. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (360 MHz): 7.36–7.26 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.64–4.54 (m, MeCHO); 4.42 (A of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 14.8, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.36 (B of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 14.8, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.47 (t, J = 8.5, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>CHO); 2.95 (dd, J = 8.6, 7.1, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>CHO); 1.36 (d, J = 6.3, Me). NOE (360 MHz): 1.36 (Me)  $\rightarrow$  2.95 (1 H of CH<sub>2</sub>N; 3.1%); 2.95 (1 H of CH<sub>2</sub>N)  $\rightarrow$  1.36 (Me, 3.3%); 3.47 (1 H of CH<sub>2</sub>N)  $\rightarrow$  4.64–4.54 (CHO, 7.2%); 4.64–4.54 (CHO)  $\rightarrow$  3.47 (1 H of CH<sub>2</sub>N, 7%). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (50.3 MHz): 158.07 (s); 135.87 (s); 128.77 (d); 128.07 (d); 127.89 (d); 70.2 (d); 50.69 (t); 48.23 (t); 20.62 (q). CI-MS: 192 (100, [M + 1]<sup>+</sup>), 91 (19). Anal. calc. for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>13</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> (191.23): C 69.09, H 6.85, N 7.32; found: C 69.00, H 6.92, N 7.37.

 $(\pm)$ -3-Benzyl-5-methyloxazolidin-2-one  $((\pm)$ -20a). Ethyl carbonochloridate (5.2 ml, 55 mmol) was added dropwise within 15 min at 0° to a soln. of  $(\pm)$ -1-aminopropan-2-ol (21) (3.76 g, 50.0 mmol) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (7.70 ml, 55.0 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (100 ml). The mixture was stirred for 10 min at 0° and then for 1 h at r.t. The mixture was poured into H<sub>2</sub>O and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3×). The combined org. phase was dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and evaporated to yield crude ethyl (2-hydroxypropyl)carbamate (5.72 g, 78%) which was pure enough to be used for the next step. Yellow oil. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 6.55 (br. s, NH); 4.32 (d, J = 4.7, OH); 3.99 (g, J = 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.67–3.61 (m, CHO); 2.96–2.90 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>NH); 1.17 (t, J = 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 1.02 (d, J = 6.3, Me).

NaH (55% in oil; 96 mg, 2.20 mmol) was added portionwise at  $0^{\circ}$  to a soln. of ethyl (2-hydroxy-propyl)carbamate (146 mg, 1.00 mmol) in dry THF (3 ml). After 30 min at  $0^{\circ}$ , benzyl bromide (0.28 ml, 2.40 mmol) and Bu<sub>4</sub>NI (37 mg, 0.10 mmol) were added. The mixture was stirred for 10 h at r.t. and then treated with H<sub>2</sub>O, diluted with Et<sub>2</sub>O, and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine. After drying (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and evaporation, the residue was purified by FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:1): ( $\pm$ )-20a (159 mg, 89%). Spectral data: identical with those of (-)-27a.

(S)-3-Isopropyl-5-methyloxazolidin-2-one (20c). According to GP 3, with 18c (1.00 g, 2.00 mmol), Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH (873 mg, 0.80 ml, 3.00 mmol), AIBN (49 mg, 0.30 mmol) and dry benzene (10 ml). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:10) gave ethyl isopropyl{(S)-2-[(triisopropylsilyl)oxy]propyl}carbamate (588 mg, 85%). Colorless liquid. [ $\alpha$ ] $_{\rm p}^{20}$  = + 17.0 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 0.04). IR (film): 2966, 2944, 2868, 1703, 1467, 1130, 1005, 883 (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 4.26-4.14 (m, CHO); 4.03 (q, J = 7.0, MeC $H_2$ ); 4.03-3.86 (m, Me<sub>2</sub>CH); 3.24-2.95 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>N); 1.21-1.05

 $(m, 33 \text{ H}, \text{Me}, Me_2, (i-\text{Pr})_3\text{Si}, Me\text{CH}_2)$ . CI-MS: 374, 346 (33,  $M^+$ ), 303 (22), 302 (100), 172 (66). Anal. calc. for  $C_{18}H_{39}NO_3\text{Si}$  (345.60): C 62.56, H 11.37, N 4.05; found: C 62.33, H 11.31, N 4.10.

According to GP 5, with ethyl isopropyl{(S)-2-[(triisopropylsily])oxy]propyl}carbamate (215 mg, 0.62 mmol) and Bu<sub>4</sub>NF (2 ml); 36 h r.t. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:3) provided ethyl isopropyl[(S)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (102 mg, 87%). Colorless oil.  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -28.3$  (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 0.0055). IR (film): 3451, 2977, 2935, 1678, 1130, 774. (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 4.38 (br. s, OH); 4.02 (q, J = 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.99–3.71 (m, CHO, Me<sub>2</sub>CH); 3.15–2.92 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>N); 1.17 (t, J = 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 1.15, 1.13 (2d, J = 6.8,  $Me_2$ CH); 1.02 (d, J = 6.3, Me). CI-MS: 191 (11,  $[M + 2]^+$ ), 190 (100,  $[M + 1]^+$ ), 172 (44), 144 (88), 130 (12), 102 (10). Anal. calc. for  $C_9H_{19}NO_3$  (189.26): C 57.12, H 10.12, N 7.40; found: C 57.00, H 10.05, N 7.43. According to GP6, with ethyl isopropyl[(S)-2-hydroxypropyl]carbamate (81 mg, 0.43 mmol), dry THF (1 ml), and NaH (55% in oil; 24 mg, 0.50 mmol). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:2) yielded volatile **20c** (43 mg, 70%). Colorless liquid.  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -135$  (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 0.0002). FR (film): 2976, 1743, 1427, 1045. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (360 MHz): 4.63–4.54 (m, MeCHO); 4.06 (sept., J = 6.7, Me<sub>2</sub>CH); 3.55 (t, J = 8.4, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N); 3.01 (dd, J = 8.4, 7.0, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N); 1.37 (d, J = 6.3, Me); 1.13, 1.11 (2d, J = 6.7,  $Me_2$ CH). NOE (360 MHz): 1.37 (Me)  $\rightarrow$  3.01 (1 H of CH<sub>2</sub>N, 2.6%); 3.01 (1 H of CH<sub>2</sub>N)  $\rightarrow$  1.37 (Me, 2.8%); 3.55 (1 H of CH<sub>2</sub>N)  $\rightarrow$  4.63–4.54 (CHO, 12.3%). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (50.3 MHz): 157.18 (s); 69.92 (d); 46.28 (t); 44.48 (d); 20.58 (q); 19.81 (q); 19.49 (q). CI-MS: 145.0966).

 $\{f(S)-2,2-Dimethyl-1,3-dioxolan-4-yl\}$ methylidene $\}$ benzenemethanamine (23). According to GP1, with 22 (3.46 g, 26.6 mmol), benzenemethanamine (2.85 ml, 26.6 mmol), and 4-Å molecular sieves (800 mg). Filtration and evaporation gave 23 (5.32 g, 91%). Yellow liquid. IR (film): 2987, 2935, 2878, 1672, 1371, 1064.  $^{1}$ H-NMR (360 MHz): 7.78-7.76 (m, CH=N); 7.36-7.25 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.66-4.63 (m, CHO); 4.63 (s, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.22 (dd, J = 8.5, 6.9, 1 H, CH $_2$ O); 3.97 (dd, J = 8.5, 6.2, 1 H, CH $_2$ O); 1.47 (s, Me); 1.41 (s, Me).  $^{13}$ C-NMR (50.3 MHz): 163.85 (d); 138.23 (d); 128.29 (d); 127.71 (d); 126.91 (d); 109.91 (s); 76.79 (d); 67.12 (d); 64.34 (t); 26.31 (q); 25.22 (q). CI-MS: 220 (48, [M + 1] $^+$ ), 219 (7, M $^+$ ), 166 (30), 162 (32), 160 (14), 119 (11), 91 (100), 59 (30), 41 (65). Unstable, not suitable for elemental analysis.

Ethyl Benzyl $\{(1R)$ - and (1S)- $\{(R)$ -2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolan-4-yl) $\}$  (phenylseleno) methyl $\}$  carbamate (24). According to GP 2, with 23 (2.19 g, 10.0 mmol), ethyl carbonochloridate (0.95 ml, 10.0 mmol), 1M DIBALH (11.0 ml, 11.0 mmol), and diphenyl diselenide (1.72 g, 5.50 mmol); 3 h at r.t. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:5) gave 24 (2.73 g, 61%; diastereoisomer mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2986, 2935, 1703, 1248.  $^{1}$ H-NMR (200 MHz,  $(D_6)$ DMSO, 80°); diastereoisomer mixture): 7.60–7.51 (m, 1 arom. H, minor); 7.44–7.39 (m, 1 arom. H, major); 7.36–7.20 (m, 8 arom. H); 5.70 (d, J = 6.0, CHSe, minor); 5.19 (br. s, CHSe, major); 4.71–4.45 (m, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.35–4.26 (m, CHO, major); 4.11–3.59 (m, 5 H, MeC $H_2$ , CH $_2$ O, CHO of minor); 1.31, 1.13 (2 s, 2 Me, minor); 1.26 (2 s, 2 Me, major); 1.09 (t, J = 7.1, MeCH $_2$ , major); 1.00 (t, J = 7.1, MeCH $_2$ , minor). CI-MS: 448 (<1, M +), 392 (10), 292 (100), 91 (18). Anal. calc. for  $C_{22}H_{27}$ NO $_4$  Se (448.43): C 58.93, H 6.07, N 3.12; found: C 59.11, H 6.12, N 3.20.

A soln. of the above diol (108 mg, 0.26 mmol) in dry THF (2 ml) was heated under reflux. Within 1 h, 1,1'-carbonylbis[1*H*-imidazole] (97 mg, 0.60 mmol) was added, and the mixture was heated under reflux for 2 h, then cooled to r.t., diluted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (10 ml), washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (3 × ) and brine, and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>). Evaporation and FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:2) yielded **25** (84 mg, 74%; of diastereoisomer mixture). IR (film): 2984, 1815, 1703, 1244, 1165, 1076. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): diastereoisomer 1: 7.44 – 7.42 (m, 2 arom. H); 7.33 – 7.25 (m, 8 arom. H); 5.39 – 5.32 (m, CHO); 5.26 (d, J = 8.9, CHSe); 4.66 (d, J = 15.6, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.66 – 4.61 (m, 1 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CHO); 4.52 (d, J = 15.9, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.25 – 4.20 (m, 1 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CHO); 4.09 (q, J = 7.0, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 1.16 (t, J = 7.0, t =

tert-Butyl (S)-4-[(Benzylimino)methyl]-2,2-dimethyloxazolidine-3-carboxylate (27a). According to GP 1, from 26 (1.00 g, 4.36 mmol) and benzenemethanamine (0.47 ml, 4.36 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (5 ml). Evaporation gave 27a (1.25 g, 90%). White solid. IR (KBr): 2990, 2820, 1694, 1397, 1371, 1173, 1096. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.75 (d, J = 4.0, N=CH); 7.32-7.20 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.59 (s, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.44-4.39 (m, CHN); 4.10-3.99 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>O); 1.53, 1.49 (2 s, 2 Me). CI-MS: 319 (52, [M + 1]<sup>+</sup>), 318 (3, M<sup>+</sup>), 263 (100), 219 (24), 296 (22), 166 (20), 136 (58), 108 (21), 91 (50), 57 (24). Unstable, not suitable for elemental analysis.

tert-Butyl (S)-2,2-Dimethyl-4-[(methylimino)methyl]oxazolidine-3-carboxylate (27b). At 0°, 8M MeNH<sub>2</sub> in EtOH (3 ml) was added to 26 (1.49 g, 6.51 mmol) and 4-Å molecular sieves (600 mg) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (7 ml). The mixture was stirred 1 h at 0°. Filtration and evaporation gave 27b (1.33 g, 84%). Viscous oil. IR (film): 2980, 2938, 2878, 1705, 1383, 1175, 1100.  $^{1}$ H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.26–7.55 (m, CH=N); 4.35–4.25 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>CHN); 4.08–3.86 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>O); 3.22 (s, MeN); 1.50, 1.45 (2 s, 2 Me); 1.40 (s, t-Bu). CI-MS: 243 (100, [M + 1] $^{+}$ ), 187 (70), 150 (39), 143 (17), 129 (11), 57 (18), 41 (12). Unstable, not suitable for elemental analysis. tert-Butyl (4S)-4-{(R)- and (S)-[Benzyl(ethoxycarbonyl)amino](phenylseleno)methyl}-2,2-dimethyloxazolidine-3-carboxylate (28a). According to GP 2, with 26 (1.27 g, 4.00 mmol), ethyl carbonochloridate (0.38 ml, 4.00 mmol), 1M DIBALH (4.40 ml, 4.40 mmol), and diphenyl diselenide (687 mg, 2.20 mmol), 5 h at r.t. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:7) gave 28a (1.34 g, 61%; diastereoisomer mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2981, 2935, 1710, 1700, 1377.  $^{1}$ H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°, only major): 7.31–7.12 (m, 10 arom. H); 5.03 (d, J = 8.4, CHSe); 4.83 (d, J = 16.1, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.59–4.42 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>CHN); 4.30 (d, J = 16.1, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.12–3.70 (m, MeCH<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>O); 1.48, 1.38 (2s, 2 Me); 1.16 (t, J = 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>). CI-MS: 549 (7, [M + 1] $^{+}$ ), 435 (6), 391 (29),

tert-Butyl (4S)-4-{(R)- and (S)-{(Ethoxycarbonyl)methylamino}{(phenylseleno)methyl}-2,2-dimethyloxazolidine-3-carboxylate (28b). According to GP 2, with 27b (727 g, 3.00 mmol), ethyl carbonochloridate (0.29 ml, 3.00 mmol), 1M DIBALH (3.30 ml, 3.30 mmol), and diphenyl diselenide (515 mg, 1.65 mmol), 5 h at r.t. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:5) gave 28b (611 mg, 43 %; diastereoisomer mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2980, 2935, 2878, 1707, 1478, 1377, 1246, 1173, 1099.  $^{1}$ H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): major: 7.54–7.51 (m, 2 arom. H); 7.32–7.25 (m, 3 arom. H); 5.82 (d, J = 8.9, CHSe); 4.18–3.87 (m, 1 H of OC $H_2$ CHO, MeC $H_2$ , NCHCH $_2$ O); 4.33 (dd, J = 8.0, 5.5, 1 H, OC $H_2$ CHO); 2.87 (s, MeN); 1.55, 1.44 (2 s, 2 Me); 1.41 (s, t-Bu); 1.06 (t, J = 7.0, MeCH $_2$ ); minor: 7.52–7.50 (m, 2 arom. H); 7.32–7.24 (m, 3 arom. H); 6.02 (d, J = 7.9, CHSe); 4.28–4.22 (m, OCH $_2$ CHN); 4.10–3.79 (m, OCH $_2$ CHO, MeCH $_2$ ); 2.91 (s, Me); 1.53, 1.42 (2s, 2 Me); 1.48 (s, t-Bu); 1.02 (t, J = 7.1, t) t0.8 MS: 471 (2, t0.4 Nal. calc. for t1.3 Nal. calc. for t2.4 t3.5 No. S.85.

335 (100), 291 (62), 276 (10), 91 (16), 57 (10), 41 (32). Anal. calc. for  $C_{27}H_{36}N_2O_5Se$  (547.56): C 59.23, H 6.63,

N 5.12; found: C 59.34, H 6.73, N 5.06.

Ethyl Methyl{(1R,2S)- and (1S,2S)-2-{(triisopropylsilyl) oxy}(1-²H<sub>1</sub>) propyl}carbamate (29b). According to GP 3, with 18b (470 mg, 0.48 mmol), Bu<sub>3</sub>SnD (435 mg, 0.73 mmol), AIBN (16 mg, 0.07 mmol), and benzene (6 ml). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:10) gave 29b (282 mg, 90%; 13:87 syn/anti mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2944, 2868, 1707, 1466, 1383, 1175, 1113, 883. ¹H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>8</sub>) toluene, 80°): 4.15-3.98 (m, CHO); 3.98 (m, J=7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.13 (m, CHD, anti); 2.91 (br. m, CHD, m, syn); 2.71 (m, MeN); 1.20-0.90 (m, 27 H, Me, MeCH<sub>2</sub>, (i-Pr)<sub>3</sub>Si). ¹H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 4.14 (quint., m, J=6.1, CHO); 4.00 (m, J=7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.26 (m, J=6.2, CHD, anti); 3.08 (br. m, CHD, syn); 2.88 (m, MeN); 1.17 (m, J=7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 1.10 (m, J=6.1, Me); 1.10-0.95 (m, 21 H, (i-Pr)<sub>3</sub>Si). ²H-NMR (500 MHz, toluene, 80°): 2.90 (anti); 3.15 (syn). CI-MS: 320 (18, m), 276 (18), 275 (100), 145 (50). Anal. calc. for m<sub>16</sub>H<sub>34</sub>DNO<sub>3</sub>Si (318.55): C 60.33, H 11.11, N 4.40; found: C 60.12, H 10.95, N 4.20.

Ethyl Isopropyl{(1R,2S)- and (1S,2S)-2-{(triisopropylsilyl)oxy(1- $^2H_2$ )propyl}carbamate (**29c**). According to GP 3, with **18c** (242 mg, 0.48 mmol), Bu<sub>3</sub>SnD (212 mg, 0.73 mmol), AIBN (11 mg, 0.07 mmol), and benzene (4 ml). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:10) gave **29c** (135 mg, 81 %; 20:80 syn/anti). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2964, 2868, 2362, 2203, 1704, 1464, 1303, 1112.  $^1$ H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°, diastereoisomer mixture): 4.21 (quint., J = 5.8, CHO); 4.05 (q, J = 6.9, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.92 (sept., J = 6.7, Me<sub>2</sub>CH); 3.21 (d, J = 5.2, CHD, anti); 3.03 (d, J = 7.3, CHD, syn); 1.21–1.07 (m, 33 H, Me, MeCH<sub>2</sub>, Me<sub>2</sub>CH, (i-Pr)<sub>3</sub>Si). CI-MS: 347 (53, [M + 1]<sup>+</sup>), 344

(30), 303 (100), 301 (16), 173 (86), 41 (19). Anal. calc. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>38</sub>DNO<sub>3</sub>Si (346.61): C 62.38, H 11.37, N 4.04; found: C 62.34, H 11.28, N 3.68.

Methyl (4R,5S)- and (4S,5S)-4-[Benzyl(ethoxycarbonyl)amino]-2-methylidene-5-[(triisopropylsilyl)oxy]-hexanoate (30a). According to GP 4, with 18a (1.65 g, 3.00 mmol), methyl 2-[(tributylstannyl)methyl]prop-2-enoate (2.78 g, 9.00 mmol), AIBN (148 mg, 0.90 mmol), and benzene (20 ml); 24 h irradiation. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:7) afforded 30a (990 mg, 65%; 68:32 syn/anti mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2945, 2868, 1722, 1701, 1464, 1232, 1140. ¹H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°; diastereoisomer mixture): 7.27-7.18 (m, 5 arom. H); 6.01 (m, 1 H of C=C $H_2$ , syn); 5.97 (m, 1 H of C=C $H_2$ , anti); 5.49 (m, 1 H of C=C $H_2$ , syn); 5.40 (m, 1 H of PhC $H_2$ , anti); 4.53 (A of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 16.0, 1 H of PhC $H_2$ , anti); 4.47 (B of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.6, 1 H of PhC $H_2$ , anti); 4.37 (A of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.6, 1 H of PhC $H_2$ , syn); 4.34 (B of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.6, 1 H of PhC $H_2$ , syn); 4.22-3.86 (m, CHO, CHN of anti); 4.08 (g, g) = 7.0, MeC $H_2$ , syn); 4.04 (g, g) = 7.0, MeC $H_2$ , anti); 3.69 (g) (g) = 7.0, MeCg) = 7.0, MeCg) = 7.0, MeCg0, g1 = 7.0, MeCg1, anti); 1.09-1.05 (g1, g2) (g3) (g3) (g4) = 6.1, Me, anti). CI-MS: 493 (3, g3) (g4) (49), 449 (42), 318 (100), 319 (21), 290 (22), 91 (6), 41 (20). Anal. calc. for g2, g3, g3, g3 (491.74): C 65.95, H 9.22, N 2.85; found: C 65.86, H 9.15, N 2.89.

*Methyl* (4R,5S)- and (4S,5S)-4-[(Ethoxycarbonyl)methylamino]-2-methylidene-5-[(triisopropylsilyl) oxy]-hexanoate (30b). According to GP 4, with 18b (200 mg, 0.50 mmol), methyl 2-[(tributylstannyl)methyl]prop-2-enoate (584 mg, 1.50 mmol), AIBN (25 mg, 0.15 mmol), and benzene (4 ml); 36 h irradiation. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:7) provided 30b (147 mg, 71 %; inseparable 55:45 syn/anti mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2945, 2868, 1724, 1703, 1456, 1443, 1315, 1140. ¹H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°, 55:45 mixture): 6.05 (s, 1 H of C=CH<sub>2</sub>); 5.59 (s, 1 H of C=CH<sub>2</sub>, syn); 5.57 (s, 1 H of C=CH<sub>2</sub>, anti); 4.20−3.88 (m, CHO, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.68 (s, MeO, syn); 3.67 (s, MeO, anti); 2.76 (s, MeN, syn); 2.66 (s, MeN, anti); 1.17−1.01 (m, 27 H, Me, MeCH<sub>2</sub>, (i-Pr)<sub>3</sub>Si). CI-MS: 416 (14, M +), 372 (68), 242 (100), 214 (39), 41 (9). Anal. calc. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>41</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>Si (415.65): C 60.68, H 9.94, N 3.37; found: C 60.52, H 9.94, N 3.45.

*Methyl* (4R,5S)- and (4S,5S)-4-[(Ethoxycarbonyl)isopropylamino]-2-methylidene-5-[(triisopropylsilyl) oxy]-hexanoate (30c). According to *GP* 4, with 18b (197 mg, 0.39 mmol), methyl 2-[(tributylstannyl)methyl]prop-2-enoate (459 mg, 1.18 mmol), AIBN (20 mg, 0.12 mmol), and benzene (4 ml); 26 h irradiation. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:10) provided 30c (106 mg, 61 %; 33:67 *syn/anti* mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2946, 2868, 1723, 1698, 1442, 1288. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>e</sub>)DMSO, 80°; diastereoisomer mixture): 6.10 (s, 1 H, C=CH<sub>2</sub>); 5.61 (m, 1 H of C=CH<sub>2</sub>, *syn*); 5.58 (s, 1 H of C=CH<sub>2</sub>, *anti*); 4.24-4.14 (m, CHO); 4.04 (q, J = 7.0, MecH2); 4.08-4.00 (m, OCHCHN, *syn*); 3.79 (quint., J = 6.7, OCCHCHN, *anti*); 3.70 (s, MeO, *syn*); 3.69 (s, MeO, *anti*); 3.50 (*sept.*, J = 7.0, Me<sub>2</sub>CH, *anti*); 3.45 (*sept.*, J = 7.0, Me<sub>2</sub>CH, *syn*); 2.96-2.55 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>C=C); 1.31-1.13 (m, Me, Me<sub>2</sub>CH, MeCH<sub>2</sub>, *anti*); 1.09 (s, 21 H, (i-Pr)<sub>3</sub>Si); 0.89 (t, J = 7.3, MeCH<sub>2</sub>, *syn*). CI-MS: 445 (7, [M+1]<sup>+</sup>), 444 (1, M<sup>+</sup>), 401 (13), 400 (49), 271 (16), 270 (100), 242 (47), 41 (32). Anal. calc. for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>45</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>Si (443.70); C 62.26, H 10.22, N 3.16; found: C 62.22, H 10.32, N 3.12.

Ethyl Benzyl { (1R) - and (1S) - [(S) - 2, 2-dimethyl-1, 3-dioxolan-4-yl] (1- $^2H_1$ ) methyl} carbamate (31). According to GP 3, with 24 (160 mg, 0.36 mmol), Bu<sub>3</sub>SnD (137 mg, 0.47 mmol), AIBN (7 mg, 0.04 mmol), and benzene (3 ml). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:5) gave 31 (89 mg, 84%; 27:73 syn/anti mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2983, 2936, 1701, 1454, 1424, 1248.  $^1H$ -NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.35-7.22 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.55 (A of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.6, 1 H, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.49 (B of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.6, 1 H, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.21 (q, J = 6.4, OCHCHN); 4.10 (q, J = 7.0, MeC $H_2$ ); 3.93 (dd, J = 8.2, 6.4, 1 H, OC $H_2$ CHO); 3.56 (dd, J = 8.2, 6.4, 1 H, OC $H_2$ CHO); 3.37 (d, J = 4.3, CHD, syn); 3.26 (d, J = 6.1, CHD, anti); 1.33, 1.26 (2 s, 2 Me); 1.19 (t, J = 7.0, MeCH $_2$ ). CI-MS: 294 (1,  $[M+1]^+$ ), 293 (2,  $M^+$ ), 265 (8), 238 (15), 237 (100). Anal. calc. for  $C_{16}H_{22}$ DNO<sub>4</sub> (293.37): C 65.51, H 7.94, N 4.77; found: C 65.22, H 8.23, N 4.87.

Ethyl Benzyl $\{(1R)$ - and (1S)- $\{(S)$ -2-oxo-1,3-dioxolan-4-yl $\}(1^{-2}H_1)$  methyl $\}$  carbamate (32). a) From 25: According to GP 3, with 25 (113 mg, 0.26 mmol), Bu<sub>3</sub>SnD (99 mg, 0.39 mmol), AIBN (7 mg, 0.04 mmol), and benzene (2 ml). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:5) gave 32 (50 mg, 69%; 29:71 syn/anti mixture).

b) From 40: A soln. of diol 40 (20 mg, 0.08 mmol; syn/anti 27:73) in dry THF (0.5 ml) was heated under reflux, and 1,1'-carbonylbis[1*H*-imidazole] (26 mg, 0.16 mmol) was added over 15 min. After 2 h, the mixture was cooled to r.t. Et<sub>2</sub>O was added, the soln. washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, and the org. layer dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and evaporated. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:1) provided 32 (14 mg, 62%; 27:73 syn/anti mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 3023, 1807, 1690, 1207, 1086. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.39–7.22 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.99–4.88 (m, OCHCH<sub>2</sub>O); 4.55 (d, J = 15.6, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.56–4.47 (m, 1 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CHO); 4.45 (d, J = 15.6, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.22–4.14 (m, 1 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CHO); 4.10 (g, J = 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.57 (d, J = 7.3, CHD, g anti); 3.49 (d, J = 3.9, CHD, g g ); 1.18 (f , f = 7.0, f g (f ). CI-MS: 281 (100, f g + 1f ), 193 (9), 91 (16). Anal. calc. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>16</sub>DNO<sub>5</sub> (280.30): C 59.99, H 6.15; found: C 60.04, H 6.11.

*Methyl* (4R)- and (4S)-4-[Benzyl(ethoxycarbonyl)amino]-4-[(S)-2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolan-4-yl]-2-methylidenebutanoate (33). According to *GP* 4, with 24 (242 mg, 0.54 mmol), methyl 2-[(tributylstannyl)methyl]prop-2-enoate (584 mg, 1.50 mmol), AIBN (24 mg, 0.05 mmol), and benzene (3 ml); 24 h irradiation. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:3) gave 33 (130 mg, 62%; 52:48 *syn/anti* mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2986, 2951, 1721, 1698, 1440, 1224. 

¹H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°; 52:48 mixture): 7.32-7.19 (*m*, 5 arom. H); 6.04 (*d*, *J* = 1.5, 1 H of C=CH<sub>2</sub>, *syn*); 6.03 (*d*, *J* = 1.2, 1 H of C=CH<sub>2</sub>, *anti*); 5.51 (*m*, 1 H of C=CH<sub>2</sub>, *syn*); 5.46 (*s*, 1 H of C=CH<sub>2</sub>, *anti*); 4.42 (*A* of *AB*,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.9, 1 H of PhC $H_2$ , *syn*); 4.36 (*B* of *AB*,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.9, 1 H of PhC $H_2$ , *syn*); 4.36 (*B* of *AB*,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.9, 1 H of PhC $H_2$ , *syn*); 4.36 (*B* of *AB*,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.9, 1 H of PhC $H_2$ , *anti*); 4.28-4.22 (*m*, OCH<sub>2</sub>CHO, *anti*); 4.13-4.03 (*m*, OCH<sub>2</sub>CHO of *syn*, 1 H of OCH<sub>2</sub>CHO of *anti*); 4.06 (*q*, *J* = 7.0, MeC $H_2$ , *anti*); 4.04 (*q*, *J* = 7.0, MeC $H_2$ , *syn*); 3.97 (*dd*, *J* = 8.2, 6.4, 1 H of OCH<sub>2</sub>CHO, *syn*); 3.68 (*s*, MeO<sub>3</sub>, *syn*); 3.65 (*s*, MeO, *anti*); 3.61 (*dd*, 1 H of OCH<sub>2</sub>CHO, *syn*); 3.46 (*m*, 1 H of OCH<sub>2</sub>CHO, *anti*); 2.78-2.30 (*m*, CH<sub>2</sub>C=C); 1.32, 1.19 (2*s*, 2 Me, *syn*); 1.29, 1.21 (2*s*, 2 Me, *anti*). CI-MS: 392 (2, [*M* + 1]<sup>+</sup>), 362 (11), 335 (20), 334 (100), 290 (12). Anal. calc. for  $C_{21}H_{29}NO_{6}$  (391.47): C 64.43, H 7.47, N 3.58; found: C 64.51, H 7.40, N 3.54.

Methyl (4R)- and (4S)-4-{Benzyl(ethoxycarbonyl)amino}-2-methylidene-4-{(S)-4-oxo-1,3-dioxolan-4-yl}-butanoate (34). According to GP 4, with 25 (180 mg, 0.41 mmol), methyl 2-{(tributylstannyl)methyl]prop-2-enoate (484 mg, 1.24 mmol), AIBN (25 mg, 0.15 mmol), and benzene (4 ml); 16 h irradiation. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:2) gave 34 (113 mg, 73 %; 33:67 syn/anti mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2984, 2955, 1809, 1701, 1443, 1235, 1171, 1082.  $^{1}$ H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>8</sub>)toluene, 80°): anti: 7.08−6.93 (m, 5 arom. H); 5.88 (d, J = 1.3, 1 H C=CH<sub>2</sub>); 5.17−5.16 (m, 1 H, C=CH<sub>2</sub>); 4.41 (q, J = 7.4, OCHCH<sub>2</sub>O); 4.25 (s, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.94 (q, J = 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.86−3.77 (m, 1 H of OCH<sub>2</sub>CHO, CHN); 3.67−3.63 (m, 1 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CHO); 3.30 (s, MeO); 2.61 (dd, J = 13.9, 9.7, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>C=C); 2.12 (dd, J = 13.9, 4.7, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>C=C); 0.95 (t, J = 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); syn: 7.51−7.06 (m, 5 arom. H); 5.96 (d, J = 1.6, 1 H, C=CH<sub>2</sub>); 5.20−5.19 (m, 1 H, C=CH<sub>2</sub>); 4.38 (q, J = 7.4, OCHCH<sub>2</sub>O); 4.22 (d, J = 15.5, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.91 (g, J = 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.97−3.89 (m, CHN); 3.56 (dd, J = 8.7, 6.7, 1 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CHO); 3.47 (dd, J = 8.4, 8.2, 1 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CHO); 3.39 (s, MeO); 2.63−2.59 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>C=C); 0.95 (t, J = 7.1, d MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.12 (d, J = 10.2 (d, d, d) = 8.7, 6.7, 1 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CHO); 3.71.490 (d); 4.28 (d), 91 (91, 127 (10), 99 (20), 91 (96). HR-EI-MS: 377.1490 (d) (d), d); calc. 377.1474).

tert-Butyl (4R)-4-{(R)- and (S)-{Benzyl(ethoxycarbonyl)amino}] (1- $^2H_1$ ) methyl}-2,2-dimethyloxazolidine-3-carboxylate (35a). According to GP 3, with 28a (548 mg, 1.00 mmol), Bu<sub>3</sub>SnD (380 mg, 1.30 mmol), AIBN (21 mg, 0.13 mmol), and benzene (8 ml). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:5) gave 35a (337 mg, 86%; 24:76 syn/anti mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2980, 2936, 1703, 1380.  $^1$ H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°; 24:76 mixture): 7.39-7.19 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.46 (br. s, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.20-4.00 (m, CHN); 4.09 (g, g) = 7.0, MeC $H_2$ ); 3.89-3.78 (g), CHD, syn); 3.21 (g), 3.21 (g), 3.21 (g), 3.21 (g), 3.21 (g), 3.22 (g), 3.23 (g), 3.24 (g), 3.24 (g), 3.25 (g), 3.26 (g), 3.27 (g), 3.27 (g), 3.28 (g), 3.29 (g), 3.29 (g), 3.29 (g), 3.29 (g), 3.29 (g), 41 (100). HR-FAB-MS: 394.2446 ([C<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>3</sub>, 1DN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> + H]<sup>+</sup>; calc. 394.2468).

tert-Butyl (4R)-4-{(R)- and (S)-[Ethoxycarbonyl)amino](1- $^2H_1$ )methyl}-2,2-dimethyloxazolidine-3-carboxylate (35b). According to GP 3, with 28b (236 mg, 0.50 mmol), Bu<sub>3</sub>SnD (190 mg, 0.65 mmol), AIBN (11 mg, 0.07 mmol), and benzene (4 ml). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:4) gave 35b (110 mg, 69%; 14:86 syn/anti mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2980, 2938, 2878, 1694, 1479, 1177, 1258, 1098, 1078.  $^1$ H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>8</sub>)toluene, 80°; 14:86 mixture): 3.97 (qd, J = 7.1, 2.4, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.86–3.84 (m, OCH<sub>2</sub>CHN); 3.75 (dd, J = 9.0, 1.6, 1 H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CHN); 3.57 (dd, J = 9.0, 5.8, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>CHN); 3.41 (d, J = 7.6, CHD, syn); 3.15 (br. s, CHD, anti); 2.74 (s, MeN); 1.52, 1.38 (2 s, 2 Me); 1.34 (s, t-Bu); 1.01 (td, J = 7.1, 0.5, MeCH<sub>2</sub>).  $^1$ H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 4.03 (g, J = 7.0, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.92–3.64 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>O, OCH<sub>2</sub>CHN); 3.42 (d, J = 7.5, CHD, syn); 3.19 (d, J = 5.0, CHD, anti); 2.88 (s, MeN); 1.60–1.38 (m, 2 Me, t-Bu); 1.18 (t, J = 7.0, MeCH<sub>2</sub>).  $^2$ H-NMR (500 MHz, toluene, 80°): 3.41 (anti); 3.12 (syn). FAB-MS: 318 (55, [M+1] $^+$ ). Anal. calc. for  $C_{15}H_{27}DN_2O_5$  (317.41): C 56.76, H 8.93, N 8.83; found: C 56.60, H 9.15, N 8.57.

tert-Butyl (4R)-4-{(R)- and (S)-1-[Benzyl(ethoxycarbonyl)amino]-4-methoxy-3-methylidene-4-oxobutyl}-2,2-dimethyloxazolidine-3-carboxylate (36a). According to GP4 with 28a (250 mg, 0.46 mmol), methyl 2-[(tributylstannyl)methyl]prop-2-enoate (584 mg, 1.50 mmol), AIBN (24 mg, 0.05 mmol), and benzene (4 ml); 27 h irradiation. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:4) gave 36a (130 mg, 62 %; 72:28 syn/anti mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2980, 2952, 1703, 1385, 1172. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz,  $(D_6)$ DMSO, 80°, 72:28 mixture): 7.35-7.17 (m, 5 arom. H); 6.04 (s, 1 H of C=CH<sub>2</sub>, syn); 5.91 (s, 1 H of C=CH<sub>2</sub>, anti); 5.58 (s, 1 H of C=CH<sub>2</sub>, syn); 5.36 (s, 1 H of C=CH<sub>2</sub>, anti); 4.55 (d, d = 16.1, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.30-3.90 (m, MeCH<sub>2</sub>, 1 H of PhCH<sub>2</sub>, NCHCH<sub>2</sub>O); 3.79-3.60 (m, NCHCH<sub>2</sub>C=); 3.65 (s, MeO, syn); 3.06 (s, MeO, anti); 2.82-2.35 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>C=C); 1.65 (s, Me); 1.45 (s, t-Bu, anti); 1.44 (s, t-Bu, syn); 1.40 (s, Me, syn); 1.38 (s, Me, anti); 1.22-1.08 (m, MeCH<sub>2</sub>). CI-MS: 491 (1, M<sup>+</sup>), 405 (11), 391 (22), 377 (100), 290 (35), 91 (19), 57 (10), 41 (53). HR-EI-MS: 490.2656 (C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>38</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>; calc. 490.2679).

tert-Butyl (4R)-4-{(R)- and (S)-1-[(Ethoxycarbonyl)methylamino]-4-methoxy-3-methylidene-4-oxobutyl}-2,2-dimethyloxazolidine-3-carboxylate (36b). According to GP4 with 28b (210 mg, 0.45 mmol), methyl 2-[(tributylstannyl)methyl]prop-2-enoate (584 mg, 1.50 mmol), AIBN (25 mg, 0.15 mmol), and benzene (4 ml); 12 h irradiation. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:4) gave 36b (116 mg, 62%; 56:44 syn/anti mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2980, 2938, 1701, 1445, 1379, 1171.  $^{1}$ H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°; 56:44 mixture): 6.05 (s, 1 H of C=CH<sub>2</sub>, anti); 6.04 (s, 1 H of C=CH<sub>2</sub>, syn); 5.58-5.55 (m, 1 H, C=CH<sub>2</sub>); 4.27 (ddd, J = 10.4, 6.7, 4.3, OCH<sub>2</sub>CHN, syn); 4.11-3.90 (m, OCH<sub>2</sub>CHN of anti, MeCH<sub>2</sub>, 1 H of OCH<sub>2</sub>CHN of syn); 3.91 (dd, J = 9.8, 6.1, 1 H of OCH<sub>2</sub>CHN, syn); 3.82 (dd, J = 9.2, 5.2, 1 H of OCH<sub>2</sub>CHN, anti); 3.69 (s, MeO, syn); 3.68 (s, MeO, anti); 2.71 (s, Me); 2.66-2.51 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>C=C); 1.56 (s, Me); 1.48 (s, Me, anti); 1.47 (s, t-Bu, anti); 1.44 (s, Me, syn); 1.43 (s, t-Bu, syn); 1.15 (t, J = 7.0, MeCH<sub>2</sub>). Cl-MS: 415 (2, M\*), 357 (7), 329 (13), 315 (38), 301 (100), 314 (8), 57 (9). HR-EI-MS 414.2354 (C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>3</sub>A<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>+; calc. 414.2366).

(4R,5S)- and (4S,5S)-3-Benzyl-5-methyl(4- $^2H_1$ ) oxazolidin-2-one (37a). According to GP 5, with 29a (163 mg, 0.41 mmol; syn/anti 22:78) and 1 m Bu<sub>4</sub>NF (1.24 ml); 7 h stirring. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:2) provided the free alcohol (63 mg, 65%). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>8</sub>)toluene, 80°, diastereoisomer mixture): 7.18-6.96 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.50 (d, J = 15.0, 1 H, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.38 (d, J = 15.9, 1 H, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.05 (q, J = 7.0, MeC $H_2$ ); 3.92-3.76 (m, CHO); 3.13 (d, J = 9.0, CHD, anti); 3.08 (br. s, CHD, syn); 2.12 (br. s, OH); 1.01 (t, J = 7.0, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 0.96 (d, J = 6.5, Me<sub>3</sub>).

According to GP 6, with the free alcohol (31 mg, 0.16 mmol) and NaH (55% in oil; 9 mg, 0.20 mmol). FC (Et<sub>2</sub>O/hexanc 1:2) gave volatile 37c (14 mg, 61%; 80:20 *trans/cis* mixture). Colorless oil. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (360 MHz): 4.63–4.54 (m, MeCHO); 4.06 (sept., Me<sub>2</sub>CH); 3.55 (d, J = 9.0, CHD, cis); 3.02 (d, J = 7.5, CHD, trans); 1.37 (d, J = 6.3, Me); 1.13, 1.11 (2 d, J = 6.7,  $Me_2$ CH).

Ethyl Benzyl{(2S,3S)-tetrahydro-2-methyl-5-methylidene-6-oxo-2H-pyran-3-yl}carbamate (trans-38). According to GP 5, with syn-30a (major isomer; 54 mg, 0.11 mmol) and 1M Bu<sub>4</sub>NF (1 mi). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:3) gave trans-38 (17 mg, 50%). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2982, 1732, 1700. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.36–7.18 (m, 5 arom. H); 6.14–6.13 (m, 1 H, C=CH<sub>2</sub>); 5.55 (s, 1 H, C=CH<sub>2</sub>); 4.75 (dq, J = 9.2, 6.1, CHO); 4.47 (s, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.13 (q, J = 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.76 (ddd, J = 11.6, 9.2, 5.5, CHN); 1.20 (t, J = 7.3, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 1.14 (d, J = 6.1, Me). NOE ((D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 3.76 (CHN)  $\rightarrow$  4.47 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>, 3.9%), 1.14 (Me, 2.8%); 4.75 (CHO)  $\rightarrow$  4.47 (PhCH<sub>2</sub>, 1.9%). CI-MS: 304 (6,  $[M+1]^+$ ), 126 (4), 111 (3), 91 (5), 47 (8), 41 (100), 32 (10). HR-EI-MS: 303.1474 (C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>+; calc. 303.1471).

*Methyl* (4S,5S)-4-[*Benzyl(ethoxycarbonyl)amino*]-5-hydroxy-2-methylidenehexanoate (39). According to *GP 5*, with *anti*-30a (minor isomer; 36 mg, 0.07 mmol) and 1M Bu<sub>4</sub>NF (0.5 ml). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:3) gave 39 (11 mg, 47%). Colorless oil. IR (film): 3461, 2980, 1721, 1694, 1440, 1244. ¹H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.40−7.10 (m, 5 arom. H); 5.96 (s, 1 H, C=CH<sub>2</sub>); 5.38 (s, 1 H, C=CH<sub>2</sub>); 4.45 (s, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.01 (g, J = 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.1−3.9 (m, CHO); 3.85−3.80 (m, CHN); 3.60 (s, MeO); 2.60−2.35 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>C=C); 1.26−1.09 (m, Me, MeCH<sub>2</sub>). CI-MS: 336 (63, [M + 1] $^+$ ), 318 (100), 304 (48), 290 (87), 228 (16). HR-EI-MS: 335.1756 (C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>5</sub> $^+$ ; calc. 335.1733).

Ethyl Benzyl[(1R,2S)- and (1S,2S)-2,3-dihydroxy(2- $^2H_1$ ) propyl]carbamate (40). A soln. of 31 (305 mg, 1.03 mmol; syn/anti 27:73) and CH<sub>3</sub>COOH (0.02 ml, 0.20 mmol) in THF/H<sub>2</sub>O 4:1 (10 ml) was heated under reflux for 7 h. The mixture was cooled, diluted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (50 ml), and washed with 10% aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> soln. H<sub>2</sub>O, and brine. After drying (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and evaporation, the residue was purified by FC (AcOEt/hexane 3:1) to give 40 (230 mg, 88%; syn/anti 27:73). IR (film): 3425, 2982, 2934, 1680, 1425, 1242, 1128. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°; diastereoisomer mixture): 7.37–7.23 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.56 (d, J = 14.8, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.49 (d, J = 10.9, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.46 (s, OH); 4.28–4.20 (m, OH); 4.07 (g, J = 7.0, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.74–3.67 (m, CHO); 3.35–3.27 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>O, CHD of syn); 3.06 (d, J = 8.0, CHD, anti); 1.17 (t, J = 7.0, MeCH<sub>2</sub>). CI-MS: 256 (16,

 $[M+2]^+$ ), 255 (100,  $[M+1]^+$ ), 254 (4,  $M^+$ ), 237 (29), 209 (42), 193 (24), 119 (11), 91 (76). Anal. calc. for  $C_{13}H_{18}DNO_4$  (254.31): C 61.40, H 7.58, N 5.51; found: C 61.36, H 7.63, N 5.52.

Ethyl Benzyl{(1R,2S)- and (1S,2S)-3-{[(tert-butyl)dimethylsilyl]oxy}-2-hydroxy(1- $^2H_1$ )propyl}carbamate (41). A soln. of 40 (180 mg, 0.71 mmol; syn/anti 27:73), (t-Bu)Me<sub>2</sub>SiCl (128 mg, 0.85 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.11 ml, 0.78 mmol), and 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (3 mg, 0.03 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 ml) was stirred at r.t. for 12 h and then treated with H<sub>2</sub>O. Et<sub>2</sub>O was added, the mixture washed with 1M HCl, H<sub>2</sub>O, and brine, and the org. layer dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and evaporated. FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:2) provided 41 (318 mg, 93%; 27:73 syn/anti mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 3450, 2955, 2930, 2857, 2192, 1679, 1253, 1121, 838. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.36-7.20 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.56 (A of AB,  $A_{AB}$  = 15.9, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.49 (B or AB,  $A_{AB}$  = 15.7, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.06 (g, J = 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.80-3.68 (m, CHO); 3.56-3.40 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>O); 3.32 (d, J = 9.1, CHD, syn); 3.05 (d, J = 8.8, CHD, anti); 1.18 (t, J = 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 0.86 (s, t-Bu); 0.02 (s, 2 Me). CI-MS: 370 (26, [M + 1] $^+$ ), 369 (100, M<sup>+</sup>), 353 (37), 351 (20), 323 (28), 311 (68), 237 (65), 91 (24). Anal. calc. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>32</sub>DNO<sub>4</sub>Si (368.57): C 61.92, H 9.06, N 3.80; found: C 61.92, H 9.02, N 3.98.

(4R,5S)- and (4S,5S)-3-Benzyl-5-{{[(tert-butyl) dimethylsilyl] oxy}methyl} (4- $^2H_1$ ) oxazolidin-2-one (42). According to GP 6, with 41 (100 mg, 0.27 mmol; syn/anti 27:73), dry THF (1 ml), and NaH (55% in oil; 17 mg, 0.38 mmol). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:2) provided 42 (61 mg, 70%; cis/trans 27:73). Colorless oil. IR (film): 2954, 2929, 2857, 2166, 1754, 1422, 838.  $^1$ H-NMR (360 MHz): 7.31 – 7.20 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.46 – 4.42 (m, OCHCH $_2$ O); 4.37 (A or AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.1, 1 H, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.34 (B of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.1, 1 H, PhC $H_2$ ); 3.73 – 3.68 (m, 1 H, CH $_2$ O); 3.63 – 3.59 (m, 1 H, CH $_2$ O); 3.32 (d, J = 9.1, CHD, cis); 3.27 (d, J = 6.3, CHD, trans); 0.79 (s, t-Bu); 0.02 (s, 2 Me).  $^{13}$ C-NMR (50.3 MHz): 157.97 (s); 135.81 (s); 128.75 (d); 128.06 (d); 127.84 (d); 72.88 (d); 63.38 (t); 48.24 (t); 45.14 (d); 25.75 (q); 18.22 (s); 18.22 (s); –5.50 (q). CI-MS: 324 (25, [M + 1] $^+$ ), 323 (100), 307 (9), 205 (20), 91 (28). Anal. calc. for  $C_{17}H_{26}DNO_3Si$  (322.50): C 63.31, H 8.47, N 4.34; found: C 63.02, H 8.57, N 4.53.

(5S)-3-Benzyl-5-{{[(tert-butyl)dimethylsityl]oxy}methyl}oxazolidin-2-one (43). According to GP3, with 24 (910 mg, 2.03 mmol) Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH (886 mg, 0.81 ml, 3.04 mmol), and AIBN (49 mg, 0.30 mmol). FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:4) gave (ethyl benzyl{[(S)-2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolan-4-yl]methyl}carbamate (423 mg, 71%). Colorless oil. [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = -23.4 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 0.017). IR (film): 2985, 2936, 1703, 1420, 1242, 1068. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.37-7.21 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.57 (d, d = 15.8, 1 H, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.46 (d, d = 15.8, 1 H, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.28-4.15 (m, OCHCH<sub>2</sub>O); 4.09 (q, d = 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.93 (dd, d = 8.4, 6.3, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>O); 3.60-3.52 (dd, d = 8.4, 6.3, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>O); 3.43-3.33 (m, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N); 3.29-3.19 (m, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N); 1.33, 1.25 (2 s, 2 Me); 1.19 (t, d = 7.1, MeCH<sub>2</sub>). CI-MS: 294 (7, [d + 1]<sup>+</sup>), 293 (1, d + 1), 237 (14), 236 (100), 192 (8), 91 (7). Anal. calc. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> (293.37): C 65.51, H 7.0, N 4.77; found: C 65.46, H 7.79, N 4.76.

A soln. of the [(dioxolanyl)methyl]carbamate (284 mg, 0.97 mmol) and CF<sub>3</sub>COOH (0.20 ml, 1.90 mmol) in THF/H<sub>2</sub>O 4:1 (10 ml) was heated under reflux for 7 h. The mixture was cooled, Et<sub>2</sub>O (50 ml), added, and the mixture washed with 10 % NaHCO<sub>3</sub> soln., H<sub>2</sub>O, and brine. After drying (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and evaporation, the residue was purified by FC (AcOEt/hexane 3:1) to give ethyl benzyl[(S)-2,3-dihydroxypropyl]carbamate (217 mg, 88%). [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> = + 74.31 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 4.3 · 10<sup>-4</sup>). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.37 - 7.19 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.55 (A of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.9, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.49 (B of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.8, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.41 (s, OH); 4.23 - 4.18 (m, OH); 4.07 (q, J = 7.0, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.78 - 3.60 (m, CHO); 3.36 - 3.27 (m, CH<sub>2</sub>O, 1 H of CH<sub>2</sub>N); 3.13 - 3.02 (m, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N); 1.17 (t, J = 7.0, MeCH<sub>2</sub>).

A mixture of the (dihydroxypropyl)carbamate (160 mg, 0.63 mmol), (*t*-Bu)Me<sub>2</sub>SiCl (114 mg, 0.76 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.10 ml, 0.70 mmol), and 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (3 mg, 0.03 mmol) in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 ml) was stirred at r.t. for 12 h. The mixture was treated with H<sub>2</sub>O, diluted with Et<sub>2</sub>O, and washed with aq. 1m HCl, H<sub>2</sub>O, and brine. After drying (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and removal of the solvent, FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:2) provided ethyl benzyl $\{(S)$ -3- $\{(tert$ -butyl)dimethylsilyloxy}-2-hydroxypropyl $\{(S)$ -3-(T)-10 (185 mg, 80%). Colorless oil.  $\{(T)^{20} = -8.8 (CHCl_3, c = 0.007)$ . IR (film): 3436, 2956, 2931, 2858, 1701, 1473, 1425, 1252. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.37-7.18 (*m*, 5 arom. H); 4.56 (*A* of *AB*,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.6, 1 H, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.50 (*d*, J = 4.7, OH); 4.49 (*B* of *AB*,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.6, 1 H, PhC $H_2$ ); 4.07 (g, J = 7.1, MeC $H_2$ ); 3.76-3.68 (g, CHO); 3.56-3.31 (g, CH<sub>2</sub>O); 3.36 (g, g, g) 1.18 (g) 1.19 (g)

According to *GP* 6, with [(silyloxy)hydroxypropyl]carbamate (78 mg, 0.21 mmol) in THF (1 ml), and NaH (55% in oil; 14 mg, 0.32 mmol). FC gave **43** (54 mg, 80%). Colorless oil. [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>0</sub><sup>20</sup> = + 25 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 0.012). IR (film): 2954, 2929, 2857, 1754, 1442, 1256, 838. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (360 MHz): 7.34–7.23 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.51–4.45 (m, CHO); 4.39 (s, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.75 (dd, J = 11.1, 4.6, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>O); 3.66–3.62 (dd, J = 11.1, 3.6, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>O); 3.40–3.36 (m, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N); 3.34–3.30 (m, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>N); 0.83 (s, t-Bu); 0.02 (s, 2 Me). NOE (360 MHz): 3.75 (1 H of CH<sub>2</sub>OSi)  $\rightarrow$  3.34–3.30 (1 H of CH<sub>2</sub>N, 1.7%); 3.64 (1 H of CH<sub>2</sub>OSi)  $\rightarrow$  3.34–3.30 (1 H of CH<sub>2</sub>N, 1.6%); 4.48

(CHO)  $\rightarrow$  3.40 – 3.36 (1 H of CH<sub>2</sub>N, 7.4%). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (50.3 MHz): 157.86 (s); 135.73 (s); 128.67 (d); 129.97 (d); 127.73 (d); 72.88 (d); 63.30 (t); 48.16 (t); 45.32 (t); 25.67 (q); 18.14 (s); -5.59 (q). CI-MS: 324 (7,  $[M+2]^+$ ), 323 (29,  $[M+1]^+$ ), 322 (100,  $M^+$ ), 306 (9), 264 (17), 91 (59), 41 (33). Anal. calc. for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>Si (321.49): C 63.51, H 8.47, N 4.36; found: C 63.48, H 8.53, N 4.39.

Ethyl Benzyl{(1R,2S)- and (1S,2S)-2-amino-3-{[(tert-butyl)dimethylsilyl]oxy}(1-2H<sub>1</sub>)-propyl}carbamate (44). a) Starting from 45: A mixture of 45 (750 mg, 1.43 mmol; syn/anti 27:73) and NaN<sub>3</sub> (650 mg, 10.0 mmol) in dry DMF (20 ml) was stirred at 60° for 24 h. Et<sub>2</sub>O (100 ml) was added and the mixture washed with H<sub>2</sub>O (3 × 30 ml) and brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and evaporated. The residue was purified by FC (AcOEt/hexane 1:4) to give the azide (428 mg, 76%) as a colorless oil. Ph<sub>3</sub>P (63 mg, 0.24 mmol) and H<sub>2</sub>O (7 mg, 0.6 mmol) were added to a soln. of the azide (100 mg, 0.24 mmol) in THF (1 ml). After 3 h, Et<sub>2</sub>O (10 ml) was added and the mixture washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and evaporated. FC (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/MeOH 95:5) of the residue gave 44 (52 mg, 59%; 74:26 syn/anti mixture). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.33 –7.22 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.54 (A of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.5, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.46 (B of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.5, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.46 (B of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.5, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.48 (dd, J = 10.0, 5.2, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>O); 3.42 (dd, J = 10.0, 5.3, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>O); 3.20 (d, J = 6.5, CHD, syn); 3.11 (d, J = 7.4, CHD, anti); 3.00 – 2.84 (CHNH<sub>2</sub>); 1.28 (br. s, NH<sub>2</sub>); 1.19 (t, J = 7.0, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 0.88 (s, t-Bu); 0.04 (s, 2 Me).

b) Starting from **35a**: A soln. of **35a** (424 mg, 1.21 mmol; syn/anti 24:76) and CF<sub>3</sub>COOH (0.93 ml, 12.1 mmol) in THF/H<sub>2</sub>O 4:1 (4 ml) was heated under reflux for 3 h. The volatiles were evaporated, and the viscous residue was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (1 ml). (t-Bu)Me<sub>2</sub>SiCl (219 mg, 1.45 mmol), Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.19 ml, 1.33 mmol), and 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (7 mg, 0.06 mmol) were added, and the mixture was stirred for 1.5 h at r.t. Then H<sub>2</sub>O was added, the mixture extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3 × 10 ml), and the combined org. phase washed with brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and evaporated. FC (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/MeOH 95:5) gave **44** (334 mg, 75%; syn/anti 24:76 mixture). Colorless oil. IR (film): 3378, 2955, 2930, 2859, 1699, 1470, 1424, 1254, 1107. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.33-7.22 (m, 5 arom. H); 4.54 (A of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.5, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.46 (B of AB,  $J_{AB}$  = 15.5, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.09 (g, J = 7.0, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 3.48 (dd, J = 10.0, 5.2, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>O); 3.42 (dd, J = 10.0, 5.3, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>O); 3.20 (d, J = 6.5, CHD, syn); 3.11 (d, J = 7.4, CHD, anti); 3.00 – 2.84 (CHNH<sub>2</sub>); 1.28 (br. s, NH<sub>2</sub>); 1.19 (t, J = 7.0, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 0.88 (s, t-Bu); 0.04 (s, 2 Me). CI-MS: 368 (100, M<sup>+</sup>), 352 (12), 310 (11), 174 (9). Anal. calc. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>33</sub>DN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>Si (367.59): C 62.08, H 9.35, N 7.62; found: C 62.13, H 9.54, N 7.80.

Ethyl Benzyl{(1R,2S)- and (1S,2S)-3-{[(tert-butyl)dimethylsily]oxy}-2-{[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]-oxy}(1-2H<sub>1</sub>)propyl}carbamate (45). A soln. of 41 (904 mg, 2.45 mmol; syn/anti 27:73) and tosyl chloride (1.00 g, 5.20 mmol) in pyridine (5 ml) was stirred at 0° for 15 h. The mixture was poured into ice and extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3 × 20 ml), the combined org. phase washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), and evaporated, and the residue purified by FC (AcOEt/hexane 1.4): 45 (910 mg, 71 %; syn/anti 27:73 mixture). Colorless oil 1R (film): 2955, 2932, 2859, 1703, 1664, 1366, 1252, 1179, 837. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (360 MHz, (D<sub>6</sub>)DMSO, 80°): 7.95 (d, J = 10.8, 2 arom. H); 7.42-7.18 (m, 5 arom. H); 7.10 (d, J = 10.8, 2 arom. H); 5.17-5.12 (m, CHOTs); 4.73 (d, J = 17.3, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.58 (d, J = 17.3, 1 H, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.25 (gd, J = 7.1, 1.2, MeCH<sub>2</sub>); 4.02 (dd, J = 13.5, 5.3, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>OSi); 3.89 (dd, J = 13.7, 4.5, 1 H, CH<sub>2</sub>Si); 3.76 (br. s, CHD, s, s); 3.55 (d, J = 9.9, CHD, s) anti); 2.24 (s, s, s), 1.30 (t, s) = 7.1, s, s0 (s), s1 (s), 91 (75). Anal. calc. for C<sub>2</sub>s1 (s0, s1) (522.76): C 59.74, H 7.54, N 2.68; found: C 79.76, H 7.54, N 2.70.

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