Piperazinyl Glutamate Pyridines as Potent Orally Bioavailable P2Y₁₂ Antagonists for Inhibition of Platelet Aggregation

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Polymer-assisted solution-phase (PASP) parallel library synthesis was used to discover a piperazinyl glutamate pyridine as a $P2Y_{12}$ antagonist. Exploitation of this lead provided compounds with excellent inhibition of platelet aggregation as measured in a human platelet rich plasma (PRP) assay. Pharmacokinetic and physiochemical properties were optimized through modifications at the 4-position of the pyridine ring and the terminal nitrogen of the piperazine ring, leading to compound (4*S*)-4-[({4-[4-(methoxymethyl)piperidin-1-yl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic acid **47s** with good human PRP potency, selectivity, in vivo efficacy, and oral bioavailability. Compound **47s** was selected for further preclinical evaluations.

Introduction

Cardiovascular and cerebrovascular diseases are still the most common causes of mortality in the Western world. Thrombotic complications of atherosclerosis such as acute coronary syndrome (ACS^a), and ischemic stroke are one of the leading causes of this morbidity and mortality. Current therapy includes antiplatelet agents such as aspirin, dipyridamole, glycoprotein IIb/IIIa antagonists, and thienopyridines.¹ Clopidogrel, a thienopyridine, is an oral prescription antiplatelet drug approved for the reduction of atherosclerotic events (stroke, myocardial infarction, and death) in patients with ACS that acts by blocking adenosine diphosphate (ADP)stimulated platelet aggregation. ADP is an important platelet agonist that induces a primary aggregation response and contributes to secondary aggregation following release from platelet dense granules upon activation by other agonists. ADP-induced platelet aggregation is mediated by a dual receptor system involving activation of P2Y1 and P2Y12 receptors, both members of the G-protein-coupled receptor (GPCR) family.² Experimental studies have demonstrated that selective blockade of either receptor is sufficient to inhibit platelet activation. However, P2Y1 has ubiquitous expression whereas P2Y₁₂ is primarily a platelet specific receptor and thus represents a more attractive therapeutic target for selective modulation of ADP-induced platelet activation.

 $P2Y_{12}$ has been identified as the molecular target of clopidogrel.³ Clopidogrel is a prodrug, the active metabolite of which irreversibly and selectively inhibits the $P2Y_{12}$ receptor; thus, antiplatelet efficacy requires a loading dose and several days to achieve its full effect.⁴ Once it is activated, the drug becomes irreversibly bound to platelets. As a result, clopidogrel has a slow onset and slow offset of pharmacological action. This makes it less effective in acute settings and difficult to manage if a patient bleeds, experiences a trauma, or requires emergency surgery. In addition, there are subsets of individuals either who do not metabolize the prodrug adequately or who are resistant to the effects of clopidogrel. It is anticipated that a direct acting, orally bioavailable $P2Y_{12}$ inhibitor will not be associated with such difficulties and will therefore exhibit a significant improvement in efficacy while maintaining a better safety profile. Accordingly, a need still exists for new drug therapies for the treatment of subjects suffering from or susceptible to a platelet aggregation mediated condition. In particular, a need still exists for new P2Y₁₂ antagonists having one or more improved properties, such as safety profile, efficacy, or physical properties, relative to currently available $P2Y_{12}$ antagonists. Several groups have described their research efforts aimed toward discovering ADP receptor antagonists, including some recent patents issued by Actelion.^{6,7} Moreover, several new P2Y₁₂ antagonists, including cangrelor (AR-C69931MX) and ticagrelor (AZD-6140, 84),⁸ are currently in late stage clinical trials.⁶ Herein, we report our efforts to discover and develop potent, selective P2Y12 antagonists to address the unmet medical need for safe and effective oral antiplatelet agents.9

Results and Discussion

Quinoline derivatives 1 have been reported as antagonists of the platelet $P2Y_{12}$ receptor.¹⁰ The general structure is shown in Figure 1, in which the lead compound from this class is a prodrug where the R_4 side chain possesses an ethyl ester. Metabolism by systemic esterases of the ester prodrug to its corresponding acid provides the active metabolite, which

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^{*a*} Abbreviations: PASP, polymer-assisted solution-phase; PRP, platelet rich plasma; ACS, acute coronary syndrome; ADP, adenosine diphosphate; GPCR, G-protein-coupled receptor; b.i.d., twice daily.

contains two carboxylic acid groups (R_2 and R_4 side chains). It would be desirable to eliminate the need for a prodrug and improve upon the physical chemical properties (diacid) as well as potency. Interestingly, only quinolines and naphthalenes were reported as the right-hand aryl moieties. We approached analogue synthesis by considering the molecule as being composed of three parts: the piperazine, the amino acid, and the quinoline. Parallel syntheses allowing for variations of all three parts of the molecule were then developed.

Initial efforts were focused at replacing the quinoline ring with other heteroaryl and aryl ring systems. It was envisioned that a PASP synthesis approach for the arylcarboxamides could be accomplished through a simple amide bond-forming reaction (Scheme 1). Thus, reacting arylcarboxylic acids with the amine would afford analogues with alternative aryl ring systems. Three amine templates 2-4 were selected for initial library synthesis in which an ethyl carbamate and a *m*-tolyl ring system were substituted on the terminal piperazine nitrogen (\mathbf{R}_1) with either a glycine or S-glutamic acid as the amino acid (R_2) . The aryl acid inputs 5 were initially biased toward fused ring systems mimicking the quinoline and naphthalene. The amines 2-4 were coupled to the aryl acids 5 using polymer-bound carbodiimide 6 as the coupling agent with hydroxybenzotriazole to afford the crude amide products. Upon completion of the reaction, a mixed resin bed containing polymer-bound amine 8 and polymer-bound isocyanate 7 was added to the reaction mixture to sequester hydroxybenzotriazole and any unreacted acid 5 or amine starting materials 2-4 followed by filtration and evaporation to afford purified products. Deprotection of the *tert*-butyl ester using TFA in DCM provided the desired products 9-11.

Several hundred compounds were prepared by this synthesis and screened in a human P2Y₁₂ receptor binding assay at $5-10 \ \mu$ M, and K_i 's were determined for those compounds with $\ge 50\%$ inhibition.¹¹ These compounds were also tested as antiplatelet agents by measuring their inhibitory action on the in vitro aggregation of human platelet rich plasma (PRP) stimulated by 20 μ M ADP using a turbidity method.¹¹ The compounds were determined for compounds with $\ge 50\%$ inhibition of platelet aggregation. Historical analysis of human PRP potency data for P2Y₁₂ antagonists revealed significant donor-to-donor variability. To reduce this effect, the potency data for a reference standard **84** (AZD-6140)⁸ were



Figure 1. Quinoline core structures.

Scheme 1. Polymer-Assisted Solution-Phase (PASP) Library Synthesis^a



determined on each 96-well plate and the data for the test compounds were normalized to that standard from that same plate. Emphasis, in regard to the SAR, was placed on the PRP potency as this was an indication of the functional activity taking into account the effect of protein binding.

Many different heterocyclic ring systems were evaluated, and an apparent trend was observed. Compounds with a heteroatom, preferably a nitrogen, ortho to the amide position and a phenyl ring ortho to the heteroatom exhibited $P2Y_{12}$ binding activity. A second iteration with the heteroaryl acids possessing this type of substitution pattern led to the discovery of compound 10a possessing a 4,6-diphenylpyridine ring system with a P2Y₁₂ binding K_i of 15 nM and a PRP IC₅₀ of 76 μ M (Table 1). In an effort to follow-up on the lead compound 10a, a focused library was prepared that explored elementary structural changes around the pyridine ring system. A representative set of compounds from this library is shown in Table 1. The unsusbstituted pyridine ring, compound 10b, was devoid of any type of activity. Replacing the 6-phenyl ring with a hydrogen, compound 10c, also resulted in a loss of activity. However, when replacing the 4-phenyl ring with a hydrogen, compound 10d, PRP activity was maintained. Removing the nitrogen from the pyridine ring system, regardless of the phenyl substitution, resulted in loss of binding activity with no PRP activity (10e,f). An additional nitrogen at the 3-position with a 6-phenyl substitution, compound 10i, maintained PRP activity, whereas the additional nitrogen at the 5-position, compound 10h, resulted in no PRP activity.

The SAR trends across the different amine templates were consistent. The glycine analogues (**9a,b**, $R_2 = H$) had reduced binding activity and no PRP activity, indicating the *S*-glutamic acid piece ($R_2 = (CH_2)_2CO_2H$) was required for PRP activity. Replacing the ethyl carbamate group on the piperazine nitrogen of the lead (**10a**) with the *m*-tolyl (**11a**) resulted in decreased binding activity and no PRP potency. While the *m*-tolyl substitution provided compounds with good binding activity (data not shown), no PRP activity was observed with any of these analogues presumably because of high protein binding.¹² For example, when compound **11a** was run in the binding assay with 0.4% human serum albumin, no binding activity was observed ($K_i > 4.74 \mu M$).

Upon discovery of the pyridine ring system, modifications to other parts of the molecule were explored. Efforts were focused on derivatization of the piperazine nitrogen (\mathbf{R}_1). With no difference in PRP activity of the 4,6-diphenyl (**10a**) vs 6-phenylpyridine (**10d**) ring system, the 6-phenylpyridine ring was used as the starting template for piperazine derivatization. Scheme 2 shows the synthesis of substituted piperazine analogues. The commercially available 6-phenylpicolinic acid **13** was coupled with 1-allyl 5-*tert*-butyl L-glutamate **12** using

^a Reagents and conditions: (a) 1.5 equiv of 6, NMM, HOBt, DCM/DMF; (b) excess 7 and 8, additional DCM; (c) 10% TFA/DCM.

Table 1. Binding and PRP Activity Data for Selected Library Compounds 9-11



Cpd	R_4	R ₆	X_1	X ₃	X5	R ₁	R ₂	$K_{i}^{a}(nM)$	$IC_{50}^{b}(\mu M)$
10a	Ph	Ph	Ν	СН	СН	EtOCO	(CH ₂) ₂ CO ₂ H	15	76
10b	Н	Н	Ν	CH	CH	EtOCO	$(CH_2)_2CO_2H$	> 5400	>100
10c	Ph	Н	Ν	CH	CH	EtOCO	$(CH_2)_2CO_2H$	> 5700	>100
10d	Н	Ph	Ν	CH	CH	EtOCO	$(CH_2)_2CO_2H$	209	71
10e	Ph	Ph	CH	CH	CH	EtOCO	$(CH_2)_2CO_2H$	373	>100
10f	Н	Ph	CH	CH	CH	EtOCO	(CH ₂) ₂ CO ₂ H	3640	>100
10g	Ph	Ph	CH	CH	Ν	EtOCO	$(CH_2)_2CO_2H$	484	> 50
10h	Н	Ph	Ν	CH	Ν	EtOCO	$(CH_2)_2CO_2H$	356	>100
10i	Н	Ph	Ν	Ν	СН	EtOCO	$(CH_2)_2CO_2H$	1190	74
9a	Ph	Ph	Ν	СН	СН	EtOCO	Н	733	> 50
9b	Н	Ph	Ν	СН	CH	EtOCO	Н	1610	>100
11a	Ph	Ph	Ν	СН	СН	<i>m</i> -tolyl	(CH ₂) ₂ CO ₂ H	150	> 100
11b	Ph	Н	Ν	CH	CH	<i>m</i> -tolyl	(CH ₂) ₂ CO ₂ H	> 5700	> 100
11c	Н	Ph	Ν	CH	CH	<i>m</i> -tolyl	$(CH_2)_2CO_2H$	> 5700	>100
11d	Ph	Ph	CH	CH	CH	<i>m</i> -tolyl	$(CH_2)_2CO_2H$	1430	>100
11e	Н	Ph	СН	CH	CH	<i>m</i> -tolyl	$(CH_2)_2CO_2H$	1310	>100

^{*a*} Membranes from CHO cells expressing recombinant human P2Y₁₂ receptors incubated with ³³P ADP and compound. K_i values are corrected from IC₅₀ using the Cheng and Prusoff equation and are the geometric mean of n = 2 or greater. ^{*b*} IC₅₀ values are from human PRP incubated with 20 μ M ADP.

Scheme 2. Synthesis of Substituted Piperazine Analogues 20^{a}



^{*a*} Reagents and conditions: (a) 1.5–2.2 equiv of **6**, NMM, HOBt, DCM/DMF; (b) Pd(PPh₃)₄, morpholine, MeCN; (c) H₂, Pd/C, MeOH; (d) 4 equiv of **19**, TEA, DCM; (e) excess **8**, additional DCM; (f) 20% TFA/DCM.

polymer-bound carbodiimide 6 with HOBt and NMM as base to afford the allyl ester intermediate 14. Deprotection of the allyl ester using tetrakis(triphenylphosphine)palladium as the catalyst and morpholine provided the carboxylic acid intermediate 15. A second coupling with the acid 15 and the Cbz protected piperazine **16** followed by deprotection of the Cbz using hydrogen with palladium on carbon afforded the piperazine intermediate **18**. The piperazine **18** was reacted with an excess of electrophile **19** in the presence of triethylamine. The electrophiles used (alkyl halides, chloroformates, acid halides,

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isocyanates, thioisocyanates, and sulfonyl halides) were selected to represent a diverse set, affording products **20** containing alkyl, carbamate, amide, urea, thiourea, or sulfonamide functionality. Upon completion of the reaction, polymerbound amine **8** was added to the reaction mixture to sequester any unreacted electrophile **19** followed by filtration and evaporation to afford purified products. Deprotection of the *tert*-butyl ester using TFA in DCM provided the desired substituted piperazine products **20**.

Many substituted piperazine compounds were prepared, and in general the unsubstituted compound (18), aliphatics, amides, and sulfonamides were inactive while several of the aliphatic ureas exhibited modest binding activity with little to no PRP activity (Supporting Information). The thioureas exhibited good binding activity and moderate PRP activity, while the aliphatic carbamates were optimal with respect to both binding and PRP activity. To further explore the carbamate SAR in a parallel format, a PASP library synthesis of piperazine carbamate analogues was employed as shown in Scheme 3.¹³ The synthesis allowed for the carbamate to be prepared from the corresponding alcohol, as many of the corresponding chloroformates were not commercially available. Polymer-supported N-hydroxysuccinimide 21 was treated with bistrichloromethyl carbonate 22 to afford polymersupported chloroformate 23. Treatment of 23 with the alcohol 24 provided, after removal of excess reagents by filtration, the polymer-bound activated N-hydroxysuccinimide carbonate 25. The piperazine 18 was added to a slight excess of polymer-bound carbonate 25 followed by filtration and evaporation to afford the purified products. Deprotection of the *tert*butyl ester using TFA in DCM provided the desired carbamate products 26.

A representative set of carbamate analogues 26 is shown in Table 2. The SAR is very clear with the carbamates as

Scheme 3. PASP Synthesis of Piperazine Carbamate Analogues 26^a



^{*a*} Reagents and conditions: (a) 2.2 equiv of **22**, pyridine, DCM; (b) excess **24**, pyridine, DCM; (c) 0.75 equiv of **18**, DCM; (d) 20% TFA/DCM.

aliphatic straight chains of four to six carbon length preferred (26c-e). When unsaturation, branching, or a heteroatom is introduced into the carbamate side chain, PRP activity is lost.

Additional chemistry efforts explored replacing the 4-phenyl substituent on the pyridine ring of lead 10a with other groups such as substituted amines and ethers. Synthesis of the pyridine intermediates is depicted in Scheme 4. The commercially available 4-hydroxy-6-phenylpicolinic acid 27 was converted to the methyl ester **28** followed by treatment with phosphorus oxychloride to afford methyl 4-chloro-6-phenylpicolinate 29. Hydrolysis of the methyl ester 29 with potassium hydroxide provided the key 4-chloro-6-phenylpicolinic acid intermediate 30. Synthesis of the 4-aminopyridines and the intermediate for the 4-oxygen substituted pyridine analogues is depicted in Scheme 5. The BOC protected piperazine 32 was reacted with the chloroformate 33 followed by BOC deprotection with hydrochloric acid or TFA to afford the piperazine carbamate 35. Coupling of the piperazine 35 with N-benzyloxycarbonyl-L-glutamic acid γ -tert-butyl ester 36 using carbodiimide and N-methylmorpholine as base afforded the intermediate 37. Removal of the Cbz group via hydrogenation using palladium on carbon provided the amine intermediate 38. A second coupling using the amine 38 with the 4-chloro-6-phenylpicolinic acid 30 afforded the 4-chloropyridine intermediate 43. The 4-chloropyridine intermediate 43 allows for substitution at the 4-position with nitrogen nucleophiles. The 4-chloro was

 Table 2. Binding and PRP Activity Data for a Representative Set of

 Piperazine Carbamate Analogues 26

Cpd	R	$K_{i}^{a}(nM)$	$IC_{50}^{\ b} (\mu M)$
26a	Me	2440	>100
10d	Et	209	71
26b	Pr	27	62
26c	Bu	29	28
26d	Pent	11	15
26e	Hex	43	19
26f	Hept	7	56
26g	Oct	14	>100
26h	CH_2CF_3	94	>100
26i	<i>i</i> -Pr	280	>100
26j	$(CH_2)_3CF_3$	18	70
26k	(CH ₂) ₂ CCH	79	>100
261	cPent	47	>100
26m	cHex	44	>100
26n	CH ₂ cBu	28	>100
260	CH ₂ cPent	46	82
26р	$(CH_2)_2 cPr$	15	>100
26q	(CH ₂) ₂ CH(CH ₃) ₂	33	88
26r	$(CH_2)_2C(CH_3)_3$	42	>100
26s	(CH ₂) ₂ OMe	492	>100
26t	CH ₂ Ph	196	>100

^{*a*} Membranes from CHO cells expressing recombinant human P2Y₁₂ receptors incubated with ³³P ADP and compound. K_i values are corrected from IC₅₀ using the Cheng and Prusoff equation and are the geometric mean of n = 2 or greater. ^{*b*} IC₅₀ values are from human PRP incubated with 20 μ M ADP.



^a Reagents and conditions: (a) H₂SO₄, MeOH, reflux; (b) POCl₃, reflux; (c) KOH, H₂O/dioxane; (d) NaN₃, Aliquat 336, EtOH/H₂O, 100 °C.



^{*a*} Reagents and conditions: (a) 1.1 equiv of **33**, DIEA, DCM; (b) 4 M HCl/dioxane or TFA, DCM; (c) EDC, HOBt, NMM, DCM; (d) H₂, Pd/C, MeOH; (e) excess **44**, TEA, DMSO, 50–100 °C; (f) 10% TFA/DCM.

Scheme 6. Synthesis of 4-Ether Pyridines 50-53 and 4-Carbamate Pyridine Analogues 56 and 57^a



^{*a*} Reagents and conditions: (a) 2 equiv of **49**, Cs₂CO₃, KI, DMF, room temp to 100 °C; (b) 2 equiv of **24**, DEAD, PPh₃, THF; (c) 10% TFA/DCM; (d) 2.7 equiv of **54**, TEA, DCM; (e) 1.1 equiv of **55**, TEA, DCM, 1 h, 3.0 equiv of **44**, TEA, DCM.

displaced by heating intermediate 43 with an excess of amine 44 and triethylamine in DMSO, followed by deprotection of the *tert*-butyl ester group to afford the desired 4-aminopyridine analogues 45-48. Displacement of the chlorine at the 4-position

afforded clean products with either the free carboxylic acid or the *tert*-butyl ester group present. Initial concerns for racemization under these conditions were eliminated by several studies, one of which included heating enantiomerically pure (S)-45i at

Table 3. Binding and PRP Activity Data for a Representative Set of4-Ether Pyridine Analogues 50–53

Cpd	R ₁	R	K_i^a	IC ₅₀ ^b	Relative
•			(nM)	(µM)	Potency to
				4 /	84 ^{c°}
50a	Et		62	24	41
51a	Bu	TT	31	8.8	9.7
52a	Pent	Н	11	10	7.2
53a	Hex		20	21	21
50b	Et	Me	96	39	55
50c	Et	-	94	31	44
52c	Pent	Et	7.9	17	23
50d	Et		120	36	46
52d	Pent	Pr	18	22	28
50e	Et		60	34	32
51e	Bu	D.,	35	27	18
52e	Pent	Бu	49	28	28
53e	Hex		89	97	65
50f	Et		157	7.6	12
51f	Bu	(011) 011	20	7.9	5.1
52f	Pent	$-(CH_2)_2OH$	31	12	10
53f	Hex		18	21	13
50g	Et	(011.) 011	68	9.0	12
51g	Bu	-(CH ₂) ₃ OH	6.9	2.9	5.1
50h	Et	(011.) 011	132	13	13
51h	Bu	$-(CH_2)_4OH$	4.9	4.5	6.7
50i	Et		140	6	8.0
51i	Bu		18	45	2.9
52i	Pent	-(CH ₂) ₂ OMe	99	43	3.2
53i	Hey		14	83	7.1
50;	Et		60	8.2	11
50j 51i	Bu	-(CH ₂) ₃ OMe	5.9	0.2 2 2	3.0
<u></u>	Du			2.2	5.5
51k	Bu	- <0	10	4.1	6.3
511	Bu	\sim	11	2.3	3.6
50m	Et		328	7.5	11
52m	Pent	$-(CH_2)_2NH_2$	8.8	2.4	3.0
53m	Hex		8.4	4.5	7.9
50n	Et		68	1.9	2.5
51n	Bu		12	1.1	0.99
52n	Pent	< <u> </u>	3.5	0.50	0.64
53n	Hex		9.4	2.4	1.8
510	Bu		6.9	3.9	1.8
51p	Bu	- NH	3.7	2.6	1.3
50a	Et		76	4.0	2.7
510	Bu	\frown	4.2	0.21	0.37
520	Pent	, →NH	4 5	0.82	0.82
53g	Hex		4.5	0.64	1.3
51r	Bu		3.7	1.2	0.57
51s	Bu		11	1.8	2.0
51t	Bu	NH	3.0	0.46	0.45
51u	Bu		2.5	1.0	0.67
51v	Bu		3.7	0.81	0.88
50w	Et	-CH ₂ Ph	28	31	42

^{*a*} Membranes from CHO cells expressing recombinant human P2Y₁₂ receptors incubated with ³³P ADP and compound. K_i values are corrected from IC₅₀ using the Cheng and Prusoff equation and are the geometric mean of n = 2 or greater. ^{*b*} IC₅₀ values are from human PRP incubated with 20 μ M ADP. ^{*c*} (IC₅₀ value of compound)/(IC₅₀ value of **84** control from same plate) = normalized IC₅₀ ratio.

100 °C for 64 h with less than 6% of the *R* enantiomer detected by chiral LC and circular dichroism.¹⁴

Table 4. Binding and PRP Activity Data for a Representative Set of 4-Carbamate Pyridine Analogues 56 and 57

Cpd	R ₁	Ŕ	R ["]	Ki ^a	IC ₅₀ ^b	Relative
				(nM)	(µM)	Potency to
						84 ^c
56a	Bu	Me	Me	2.0	1.1	1.1
57a	Pent	Me	Me	5.5	2.9	1.7
56b	Bu	Me	-	1.5	0.59	0.87
57b	Pent	Me	\checkmark	4.5	0.47	0.82
56c	Bu	Me	< √ °	1.8	0.52	0.63
57c	Pent	Me		2.3	0.47	0.59
57d	Pent		N	7.7	1.8	1.0
57e	Pent		N	11	2.1	1.3
56f	Bu		N	1.7	0.76	0.75
57f	Pent			4.8	1.7	0.99
56g	Bu	Ń		1.5	0.77	0.97
57g	Pent		OMe	4.9	0.69	1.0
56h	Bu	N		2.1	1.0	1.2
57h	Pent		_/ 521	6.0	0.59	1.2

^{*a*} Membranes from CHO cells expressing recombinant human P2Y₁₂ receptors incubated with ³³P ADP and compound. K_i values are corrected from IC₅₀ using the Cheng and Prusoff equation and are the geometric mean of n = 2 or greater. ^{*b*} IC₅₀ values are from human PRP incubated with 20 μ M ADP. ^{*c*} (IC₅₀ value of compound)/(IC₅₀ value of **84** control from same plate) = normalized IC₅₀ ratio.

Attempts to displace the 4-chloro with oxygen nucleophiles provided limited success. As a result, the 4-hydroxypyridines were prepared in a similar fashion by coupling the 4-hydroxy-6-phenylpicolinic acid 27 with the amine 38 using carbodiimide and N-methylmorpholine as base to afford the 4-hydroxypyridine intermediates 39-42 (Scheme 5). Direct alkylation or employing Mitsunobu conditions with the 4-hydroxypyridine intermediates 39-42 provided 4-ether pyridine analogues 50-53 as shown in Scheme 6. Direct alkylation of the 4-hydroxypyridines 39-42 using 2 equiv of the electrophile 49 with cesium carbonate as the base and a catalytic amount of potassium iodide in DMF, followed by deprotection of the tert-butyl ester group, afforded the desired 4-ether pyridine analogues 50-53. Alternatively, employing Mitsunobu conditions with 2 equiv of the alcohol 24 using DEAD and triphenylphosphine in THF, followed by deprotection of the *tert*-butyl ester group, afforded the desired 4-ether pyridine analogues 50-53. Using both procedures allowed for a greater diversity of monomer inputs 24 and 49, ultimately providing a wide array of 4-ether pyridine analogues.

The 4-hydroxypyridine intermediates 40 and 41 were also used to prepare 4-carbamate pyridine analogues 56–57 as shown in Scheme 6. The 4-hydroxypyridines 40 and 41 were reacted directly with a carbamoyl chloride 54 using triethylamine as base in DCM to provide the carbamate. Deprotection of the *tert*-butyl ester using TFA in DCM afforded the desired 4-carbamate pyridine products 56 and 57. Because of the limited commercial availability of carbamoyl chlorides 54, a second procedure was employed using the 4-hydroxypyridines 40 and 41 and *p*-nitrophenylchloroformate 55 to provide the activated carbonate followed by addition of the amine 44 and triethylamine as base in DCM to afford the carbamate. Deprotection of the *tert*-butyl ester using TFA in DCM afforded the desired 4-carbamate pyridine products 56 and 57.

Table 3 shows the data for a representative set of 4-oxygen analogues. The unsubstituted (hydroxy) analogues (**50a**-**53a**) had modest binding and PRP potency, while substitution of

the oxygen with alkyl chains of varying length (50b-53e) tended to slightly decrease the potency. Comparable PRP activity was observed with the benzyl ether analogue 50w, and relatively flat SAR was observed across various substituted benzyl ether analogues with PRP activity in the range of $9-39 \ \mu M$ (data not shown). Extending a hydroxy or alkyl ether two to four carbon atoms away from the 4-oxygen atom increased the PRP activity (50f-51l). A similar trend was observed by extending a primary or secondary amine two to five carbon atoms away from the 4-oxygen atom (50m-53v). In particular, the 4-oxypiperidine (50n-53n), 4-oxymethylpiperidine (50q-53q), and 4-oxyethylpiperidine (51t) analogues were the most potent compounds of the series. Replacing the 4-oxypiperidine (51n) with 3-oxypyrrolidine (51p) or with the regioisomer 3-oxypiperidine (510) resulted in a slight decrease in PRP activity. Similarly, replacing the 4-oxymethylpiperidine (51q) with the 2- and 3-regioisomers (51r,s) resulted in a slight loss in PRP activity. The same trend was observed with the 4-oxyethylpiperidine regioisomers (51u,v). The nitrogen of the 4-piperidine and 4-oxymethylpiperidine was essential because when replaced with an oxygen a significant decrease in PRP activity was observed (51k, 51l). Overall, the butyl and pentyl carbamates of the piperazine tail (R_1) were superior

relative to the ethyl and hexyl carbamates with respect to both binding and PRP potency.

Table 4 shows the data for a representative set of 4-carbamate pyridine analogues **56** and **57**. These compounds when compared to the unsubstituted oxygen (**51a**, **52a**, Table 4) were considerably more potent in both the binding and PRP assays. The carbamates had relatively flat SAR with respect to the binding activity with most of them at the single digit nanomolar level, but having an oxygen within the amine side chain of the carbamate tended to increased the PRP potency, with compounds **56b**–**57c** having exceptional PRP potency. Again, the butyl and pentyl carbamates of the piperazine tail (R₁) were optimal for both binding and PRP activity with no significant difference between the two in terms of potency.

The 4-ether pyridine analogues, 51q and 52n, were two of the most potent compounds of the series. Further efforts focused on the synthesis of additional analogues with various substitutions on the 4-nitrogen of the 4-oxypiperidine and 4-oxymethylpiperidine pyridine analogues. The synthesis is depicted in Scheme 7. The 4-oxypiperidine and 4-oxymethyl piperidine intermediates 60-63 were prepared under Mitsunobu conditions, reacting the 4-hydroxy intermediates 40 and

Scheme 7. Synthesis of Substituted 4-Oxypiperidine 69 and 70 and 4-Oxymethylpiperidine Pyridine Analogues 71 and 72^a



^{*a*} Reagents and conditions: (a) 2 equiv of **58** or **59**, DEAD, PPh₃, THF; (b) H₂, Pd/C, EtOH; (c) 2.0 equiv of **68**, TEA or NMM, DCM or DMF; (d) 10% TFA/DCM.

41 with *N*-Cbz-4-hydroxy-1-piperidine **58** and 1-*N*-Cbz-4-hydroxymethylpiperidine **59** to afford the Cbz protected piperidines **60**–**63**. Deprotection of the Cbz group by hydrogenation using palladium on carbon afforded the unsubstituted nitrogen intermediates **64**–**67**. The amines **64**–**67** were reacted with an excess of electrophile **68** in the presence of a base to afford the 4-nitrogen substituted analogues. The electrophiles **68** used (alkyl halides, acid halides, sulfonyl halides, and chloroformates) were selected to represent a diverse set, affording products containing alkyl, amide, sulfonamide, or carbamate functionality. Deprotection of the *tert*-butyl ester using TFA in DCM provided the desired substituted piperazine products **69**–**72**.

A representative set of 4-substituted oxypiperidine analogues **69**, **70** is depicted in Table 5. The 4-substituted oxypiperidines had exceptional PRP potency with relatively flat SAR across various functionalities at the 4-piperidine position with the carbamates **69g**, **70g** and sulfonamides **69h**, **70h** slightly less active in the PRP assay compared to the other analogues. There was no significant difference in PRP activity between the butyl carbamates and the corresponding pentyl carbamates (R_1) for the 4-substituted piperidines.

The same holds true for the 4-substituted oxymethylpiperidine compounds **71**, **72**, with the amides and alkylated analogues exhibiting exceptional binding and PRP activity, while the carbamates **71g**, **72g** and sulfonamides **71h**, **72h** were slightly less potent in the PRP assay (Table 6). The 4-substituted oxymethylpiperidine analogues **71**, **72** were more potent than the corresponding 4-substituted oxypiperidines **69–70**, and there was no significant difference in PRP activity between the butyl carbamates and the corresponding pentyl carbamates.

Several libraries of the 4-aminopyridine analogues 45-48 were synthesized (Scheme 5), and the data for a representative set are shown in Table 7. As has been the trend, the butyl and pentyl carbamates were superior to the ethyl and hexyl carbamates in terms of both binding and PRP potency. The 4-aminopyridine analogues substituted with two alkyl groups (45b, 45d) were inactive in the PRP assay, while the secondary amines with a single alkyl group (45a.c, 47c) had modest potency. The 4-amine analogues substituted with alkyl groups were less active than compounds with a heteroatom present in the side chain. Compounds 45e,47e and 45g-48g provide examples of secondary amine analogues with an oxygen heteroatom, as a hydroxy or ether, as part of the amine group with good binding and PRP activity. The corresponding tertiary amine analogues 45f, 46h, and 47h were considerably less active in the PRP assay. Interestingly, the piperidine analogues (alkyl tertiary amines 45i and 47i) exhibited modest PRP potency. Replacing the piperidine ring with morpholino (45j and 46j) provided a slight increase in the PRP potency. Substitution at the 4-position of the piperidine ring with hydroxy (45k and 47k) or alkoxy (47l) increased both the binding and PRP activity, while extending the hydroxy or methoxy from the 4-position of the piperidine with a methylene (47r,s) maintained binding and PRP activity. The hydroxy analogues could be capped with a methyl and maintain PRP activity, but capping with any alkyl group larger than a methyl tended to decrease the PRP activity (47t). Direct substitution from the 4-position of the piperidine with an amine increased PRP activity with no significant difference in PRP activity from the primary (45m-48m), secondary (46n and 47n), or tertiary amines (460, 470, 450-48p). Extending the amine from the 4-position of the piperidine with a methylene

Table 5. Binding and PRP Activity Data for a Representative Set of4-Substituted Oxypiperidine Pyridine Analogues 69 and 70

Cpd	R_1	R	$K_{i}^{a}(nM)$	$IC_{50}^{b}(\mu M)$	relative potency to 84 ^c
51n	Bu	Н	12	1.1	0.99
52n	Pent	Н	4	0.50	0.64
69a	Bu	Me	2.5	2.0	1.9
70a	Pent	Me	5.0	1.8	1.8
69b	Bu	<i>i</i> -Pr	10	0.88	0.75
70b	Pent	<i>i</i> -Pr	7.0	0.48	0.68
69c	Bu	(CH ₂) ₂ OMe	9.4	1.2	1.1
70c	Pent	(CH ₂) ₂ OMe	9.9	1.7	1.7
69d	Bu	COMe	2.8	1.2	1.1
70d	Pent	COMe	3.6	1.8	1.8
69e	Bu	COCF ₃	12	2.1	3.4
70e	Pent	COCF ₃	19	4.7	4.4
69f	Bu	COCH ₂ OMe	2.4	0.52	0.78
70f	Pent	COCH ₂ OMe	11	1.5	1.5
69g	Bu	CO ₂ Et	20	3.7	5.9
70g	Pent	CO ₂ Et	6.5	8.2	8.1
69h	Bu	SO ₂ Et	7.6	3.3	3.1
70h	Pent	SO ₂ Et	5.1	5.3	5.0

^{*a*} Membranes from CHO cells expressing recombinant human P2Y₁₂ receptors incubated with ³³P ADP and compound. K_i values are corrected from IC₅₀ using the Cheng and Prusoff equation and are the geometric mean of n = 2 or greater. ^{*b*} IC₅₀ values are from human PRP incubated with 20 μ M ADP. ^{*c*} (IC₅₀ value of compound)/(IC₅₀ value of **84** control from same plate) = normalized IC₅₀ ratio.

Table 6. Binding and PRP Activity Data for a Representative Set of4-Substituted Oxymethylpiperidine Pyridine Analogues 71 and 72

Cpd	R_1	R	$K_i^{a}(nM)$	IC ₅₀ ^b (µM)	relative potency to 84 ^c
51q	Bu	Н	4.2	0.21	0.37
52q	Pent	Н	4.5	0.82	0.82
71a	Bu	Me	2.5	0.24	0.38
72a	Pent	Me	5.3	0.33	0.62
71b	Bu	<i>i</i> -Pr	4.5	0.41	0.33
72b	Pent	<i>i</i> -Pr	5.5	0.38	0.50
71c	Bu	(CH ₂) ₂ OMe	5.3	0.62	0.53
72c	Pent	(CH ₂) ₂ OMe	5.3	0.55	0.73
71d	Bu	COMe	3.9	2.1	1.4
72d	Pent	COMe	1.3	1.3	1.8
71e	Bu	COCF ₃	10	3.0	2.8
72e	Pent	COCF ₃	4.5	3.5	4.8
71f	Bu	COCH ₂ OMe	2.6	1.5	1.4
72f	Pent	COCH ₂ OMe	12	1.3	1.3
71g	Bu	CO ₂ Et	7.6	4.0	2.2
72g	Pent	CO ₂ Et	1.3	7.4	5.1
71h	Bu	SO ₂ Et	5.3	3.0	2.8
72h	Pent	SO ₂ Et	7.4	2.8	1.9

^{*a*} Membranes from CHO cells expressing recombinant human P2Y₁₂ receptors incubated with ³³P ADP and compound. K_i values are corrected from IC₅₀ using the Cheng and Prusoff equation and are the geometric mean of n = 2 or greater. ^{*b*} IC₅₀ values are from human PRP incubated with 20 μ M ADP. ^{*c*} (IC₅₀ value of compound)/(IC₅₀ value of **84** control from same plate) = normalized IC₅₀ ratio.

(45u-47x) provided some of the most potent compounds of the series in terms of both binding and PRP activity.

Other 4-substituted amines were also prepared as shown in Scheme 8. Attempts to prepare the unsubstituted 4-aminopyridine intermediate by simple displacement of the 4-chloropyridine intermediate **43** with ammonia or ammonia equivalents could not be efficiently accomplished. As a result, the 4-azido-6-phenylpicolinic acid **31** was prepared from reacting sodium azide with 4-chloro-6-phenylpicolinic acid **30** (Scheme 4). Coupling of the 4-azido intermediate **31** with pentyl (*S*)-4-(2-amino-4-*tert*-butoxycarbonylbutyryl)piperazine-1-carboxylate

 Table 7. Binding and PRP Activity Data for a Representative Set of

 4-Aminopyridine Analogues

 45–48

Cpd	R ₁	R'	R ["]	K_i^a	IC_{50}^{b}	Relative
-				(n M)	(μ M)	Potency to 84 ^c
45a	Et	Н	Me	35	45	36
45b	Et	Me	Me	45	>100	-
45c	Et	Н	Pr	64	28	28
47c	Pent	Н	Pr	12	13	14
45d	Et	Pr	Pr	45	>100	-
45e	Et	Н	$(CH_2)_2OH$	117	12	14
47e	Pent	H		5.7	3.8	3.2
451	Et	Me	$(CH_2)_2OH$	87	57	26
45g	Et D	H		99	14	13
46g	Bu	H	(CH ₂) ₂ OMe	2.4	3.2	2.4
4/g 49a	Here	п		9.8	3.2 73	4.9
40g 46h	Bu	Mo		4.0	>100	9.0
401 47h	Pent	Me	$(CH_2)_2OMe$	2.1	>100	-
47i	Ft	1010	\frown	112	29	34
47i	Pent		N	5 5	16	18
45i	Et			39	25	22
46j	Bu		N_O	3.3	7.2	11
45k	Et			42	9.9	10
47k	Pent		NOH	11	2.5	3.2
471	Pent	١	N_OMe	15	3.9	3.0
45m	Et			10	2.8	8.1
46m	Bu			3.5	0.91	1.2
47m	Pent			17	1.1	1.2
48m	Hex			3.3	2.4	3.4
46n	Bu	Ń		2.7	1.2	0.86
<u>47n</u>	Pent			6.5	1.0	<u>l.l</u>
460	Bu	N		5.0	1.9	1.4
4/0	Pent Et			22	1.8	2.1
45p 46p	El Du		\frown \sim	54	2.0	0.0
40p 47n	Du Pent	1	Ń)-N]	0.4	1.2	0.57
47p 48n	Hex			26	1.2	23
47q	Pent	Ń		10	2.0	0.95
45r	Et			54	19	22
47r	Pent	1		2.4	1.8	6.3
45s	Et			18	10	9.7
47s	Pent		OMe	15	3.9	3.3
48s	Hex	N	\square	33	7.6	8.9
47t	Pent	Ν		22	8.9	12
45u	Et			14	3.3	3.4
47u	Pent	N		15	0.78	0.62
48u	Hex		<u> </u>	18	1.6	1.7
46v	Bu		NHMe	4.0	0.91	1.0
47v	Pent	Ń		1.5	0.71	0.99
46w	Bu	ьí		3.2	0.89	1.3
47w	Pent		<u> </u>	1.9	1.0	1.3
46x	Bu		\neg \overrightarrow{N}	1.5	0.80	1.0
47X	Pent	N	\checkmark	1.1	0.74	0.93

^{*a*} Membranes from CHO cells expressing recombinant human P2Y₁₂ receptors incubated with ³³P ADP and compound. K_i values are corrected from IC₅₀ using the Cheng and Prusoff equation and are the geometric mean of n = 2 or greater. ^{*b*} IC₅₀ values are from human PRP incubated with 20 μ M ADP. ^{*c*} (IC₅₀ value of compound)/(IC₅₀ value of **84** control from same plate) = normalized IC₅₀ ratio.

38c using EDC, HOBt, and *N*-methylmorpholine as base afforded the azide intermediate. Reduction of the azide using palladium on carbon afforded the 4-aminopyridine intermediate **73**. The 4-aminopyridine **73** was reacted with acid chlorides to afford the amides albeit in low yields. Because of the poor nucleophilic nature of the 4-aminopyridine, many of the

acid chlorides would not react and required using propylphosphonic anhydride as a coupling reagent with the carboxylic acid **74** to afford the desired amides. Deprotection of the *tert*butyl ester using TFA in DCM provided the desired 4-amide pyridine products **75**. The 4-carbamate and 4-urea analogues were prepared from the 4-chloroformate intermediate. The 4-aminopyridine **73** was treated with bistrichloromethyl carbonate **22** to afford the chloroformate. Treatment of chloroformate with the alcohol **24** provided the carbamates, followed by deprotection of the *tert*-butyl ester to afford the desired 4-carbamate pyridine products **77**. Similarly, treatment of chloroformate with the amine **44** provided the ureas, followed by deprotection of the *tert*-butyl ester to afford the desired 4-urea pyridine products **76**.

The 4-amide pyridine analogues **75** provided compounds with good binding activity. However, little to no PRP activity was observed with these compounds. Similarly, the 4-carbamate pyridine analogues **77** exhibited good binding activity but poor PRP activity, and the 4-urea pyridine analogues **76** showed good binding activity with poor to moderate PRP activity. In general, these compounds (**75–77**) were less active than the 4-aminopyridines (**45–48**) (Supporting Information).

Thus far, substitutions at the 4-position of the pyridine ring included nitrogen and oxygen. Other substitutions were explored such as carbon-carbon to include carboxamides and aliphatics. Scheme 9 shows the synthesis of 4-carboxamide and 4-aliphatic pyridine analogues. The 4-hydroxypyridine intermediate 41 was reacted with triflic anhydride to afford the triflate intermediate 78. A palladium catalyzed carbonvlation reaction with the triflate 78 afforded the 4-carboxylic acid intermediate **79**.¹⁵ The acid **79** was reacted with various amines 44 using polymer-bound carbodiimide 6 with HOBt and NMM as base to afford the amide. Deprotection of the tert-butyl ester using TFA gave the desired 4-carboxamide pyridine products 80. The triflate intermediate was also used for 4-aliphatic pyridine analogues. The triflate 78 was reacted with various substituted alkynes 82 using Sonogashira conditions followed by reduction of the triple bond using hydrogen with palladium on carbon to provide the 4-aliphatic pyridines. Deprotection of the *tert*-butyl ester using TFA provided the desired 4-aliphatic pyridine products 83. Alternatively, the triflate 78 could be reacted with various substituted alkenes 81 using Heck reaction conditions followed by reduction of the double bond using hydrogen with palladium on carbon to provide the 4-aliphatic pyridines. Deprotection of the *tert*-butyl ester using TFA provided the desired 4-aliphatic pyridine products 83. Employing both reaction procedures allowed for a greater diversity of monomer inputs 81 and 82, providing a wide array of 4-aliphatic pyridine products 83.

Table 8 shows a representative set of 4-carboxamide pyridine products **80**. In general, the secondary amides were less potent in the PRP assay than the tertiary amides. The amides with dimethyl substitution (**80e**) or methyl, ethyl substitution (**80f**) were optimal for alkyl tertiary amides. When the alkyl group was extended beyond a methyl or ethyl group, a decrease in the PRP potency was observed (**80g**). The tertiary amides, having a methyl as one substituent and extending a methoxy or amine two to four carbon atoms away from the amide nitrogen, provided compounds with excellent PRP activity (**80k**-**m**). Cyclic tertiary amides also exhibited excellent potency in terms of both binding and PRP activity. The unsubstituted piperidine amide **80n** exhibited good PRP Scheme 8. Synthesis of 4-Amide, 4-Urea, and 4-Carbamate Pyridine Analogues 75-77^a



^{*a*} Reagents and conditions: (a) EDC, HOBt, NMM, DCM; (b) H₂, Pd/C, MeOH; (c) 1.0 equiv of **22**, pyridine, DCM, 0 °C; (d) 0.75 equiv of **44**, DCM; (e) 0.75 equiv of **24**, DCM; (f) 10% TFA/DCM; (g) 1.4 equiv of **74**, 1-methylimidazole, PPA, EtOAc.

Scheme 9. Synthesis of 4-Aliphatic 83 and 4-Carboxamide 80 Pyridine Analogues^a



^{*a*} Reagents and conditions: (a) 3.0 equiv of Tf₂O, pyridine, 0-20 °C; (b) CO, Pd(Ph₃P)₄, TEA, DMSO, 60 °C; (c) 1.5 equiv of **44**, excess **6**, NMM, HOBt, DCM; (d) 10% TFA/DCM; (e) 2.8–4.0 equiv of **81**, Cl₂Pd (Ph₃P)₂, TEA, LiBr, DMF, 100 °C; (f) 2.8 equiv of **82**, Pd(Ph₃P)₄, diethylamine, CuI, THF; (g) H₂, Pd/C, MeOH.

 Table 8. Binding and PRP Activity Data for a Representative Set of

 4-Carboxamide Pyridine Analogues 80

Cpd	R'	R "	K_i^a	IC_{50}^{b}	Relative
			(nM)	(µM)	Potency to
				u ,	84 ^c
80a	Н	Н	7.5	8.9	9.0
80b	Η	Me	10	6.8	9.7
80c	Η	Et	13	9.7	13
80d	Η	Pr	11	12	20
80e	Me	Me	2.4	1.1	1.0
80f	Me	Et	2.6	0.58	1.3
80g	Me	Bu	5.8	1.8	3.3
80h	Η	(CH ₂) ₂ OMe	7.9	8.0	18
80i	Н	(CH ₂) ₃ OMe	6.1	4.6	12
80j	Н		4.6	5.6	10
80k	Me	(CH ₂) ₃ OMe	2.6	0.63	1.4
801	Me	-(CH ₂) ₃ NMe ₂	8.6	0.42	0.96
80m	Me	≁∕_N −	11	0.35	0.83
80n		-(CH ₂) ₅ -	2.8	0.91	2.2
800	-(0	CH ₂) ₂ O(CH ₂) ₂ -	4.4	0.71	1.0
80p	-(CH2	2)2CHOMe(CH2)2-	3.2	0.46	0.99
80q	-(CH ₂) ₂ CHNMe ₂ (CH ₂) ₂ -	5.4	0.58	1.0
80r	-(Cl	$H_2)_2NMe(CH_2)_2-$	5.8	0.53	0.72
80s	-(CH2	2)2NCOMe(CH ₂)2-	1.7	0.32	0.48

^{*a*} Membranes from CHO cells expressing recombinant human P2Y₁₂ receptors incubated with ³³P ADP and compound. K_i values are corrected from IC₅₀ using the Cheng and Prusoff equation and are the geometric mean of n = 2 or greater. ^{*b*} IC₅₀ values are from human PRP incubated with 20 μ M ADP. ^{*c*} (IC₅₀ value of compound)/(IC₅₀ value of **84** control from same plate) = normalized IC₅₀ ratio.

potency, while substitution at the 4-position of the piperidine with methoxy (80p) or an amine (80q) provided very potent compounds. Similarly, the 4-substituted piperazine amides 80r and 80s exhibited exceptional binding and PRP potency.

Table 9 contains analogues with aliphatic chains substituted at the 4-position of the pyridine. Alkyl chains of varying length and/or branching exhibited binding activity but no PRP activity (83a).¹² The aliphatic chains extending a hydroxy, methoxy, or amine three to four carbon atoms away from the pyridine ring (83b–j) and the propanamides 83k-1 provided compounds with good to moderate PRP activity.

Many libraries containing several hundred compounds were prepared with varying substituents at the 4-position of the pyridine ring and varying carbamate chain lengths on the piperazine terminal nitrogen. The SAR clearly showed that butyl and pentyl carbamates of the piperazine terminal nitrogen were optimal and modulation of potency and other properties could be obtained by variations at the 4-position of the pyridine, providing compounds with submicromolar PRP levels of activity.

Having identified many inhibitors with exceptional potency, we sought to evaluate the chemical and in vivo pharmacokinetic properties of selected analogues. In general, this class of compounds had good solubility and was chemically stable. These inhibitors also showed excellent metabolic stability in both the rat and human microsomal assays. Many compounds were evaluated for their in vivo pharmacokinetic characteristics in the rat, and a representative set of pharmacokinetic profiles is shown in Table 10. Compounds 10d, 26d, and 26e each possessing a hydrogen at the 4-position of the pyridine, with an ethyl, pentyl, and hexyl carbamate on the piperazine terminal nitrogen, respectively, were selected to profile the general template and to test if the carboxylic acid would be detrimental to oral absorption. Gratifyingly, all of the compounds were bioavailable with high bioavailabilities for the pentyl and hexyl carbamate analogues. However, all

 Table 9. Binding and PRP Activity Data for a Representative Set of

 4-Aliphatic Pyridine Analogues 83

Cpd	\mathbf{R}_4	<i>K</i> i ^{<i>a</i>}	$\mathrm{IC}_{50}{}^{b}$	Relative
		(nM)	(µM)	Potency to
				84 ^c
83a	-CH ₂ CH-(CH ₂) ₅ -	8.6	>10	-
83b	-(CH ₂) ₃ OH	3.8	1.9	2.6
83c	-(CH ₂) ₄ OH	3.6	3.2	4.2
83d	-(CH ₂) ₅ OH	2.8	>10	-
83e	-(CH ₂) ₃ OMe	8.4	5.0	6.6
83f	-(CH ₂) ₄ OMe	8.3	4.2	4.5
83g	-(CH ₂) ₃ NHCH ₂ CHMe ₂	12	1.0	1.5
83h	-(CH ₂) ₃ NMe ₂	1	1.3	1.3
83i	$-(CH_2)_3NEt_2$	22	1.1	1.6
83j	$-(CH_2)_4NMe_2$	3.3	1.0	1.0
83k	-(CH ₂) ₂ CONMe ₂	2.1	2.9	2.7
831		3.7	3.1	2.4

^{*a*} Membranes from CHO cells expressing recombinant human P2Y₁₂ receptors incubated with ³³P ADP and compound. K_i values are corrected from IC₅₀ using the Cheng and Prusoff equation and are the geometric mean of n = 2 or greater. ^{*b*} IC₅₀ values are from human PRP incubated with 20 μ M ADP. ^{*c*} (IC₅₀ value of compound)/(IC₅₀ value of **84** control from same plate) = normalized IC₅₀ ratio.

three of the compounds had high clearance values. Another concern with oral absorption was the molecular weight. The core templates **26d** and **26e** have molecular weights over 500. Substituting at the pyridine 4-position only adds to the molecular weight, potentially resulting in the loss of good bioavailability. Despite high molecular weight and, in numerous cases, poor Caco-2 permeability values, many compounds had good bioavailability as exemplified by **51i** (molecular weight of 570, $P_{app} = 1.1 \times 10^{-6}$).

Many compounds were profiled from the 4-oxygen pyridine series which included the 4-ether and 4-carbamate pyridine analogues. Included in this series was the general template, the hydroxy intermediate 52a, which had high clearance but good bioavailability. This was the general trend for the ether series in which all of the compounds evaluated had high clearance, oftentimes above the liver blood flow, yet several had moderate to good bioavailability (51i, 52i). Some of the most active compounds of the series, including the 4-oxypiperidine (52n, 53n) and 4-oxymethyl piperidine ether analogues (52q), had high clearance. Capping the 4-nitrogen of the 4-oxypiperidine (70c,d) and 4-oxymethyl piperidine (72a-c) with various functionalities still resulted in compounds with high clearance. All of the 4-carbamate pyridine analogues (57b,d,f) profiled also exhibited high clearance values.

Several compounds from the carbon–carbon series at the 4-position were evaluated that included both the carboxamides and aliphatics. The carboxamides (800-q) had improved, but still unacceptable, clearance values, while the aliphatics (83g-i) had relatively high clearance.

Many compounds were profiled from the 4-aminopyridine series. However, most of the initial compounds profiled had high clearance values. The secondary alkyl (**45c**) and aliphatic (**47e**) amines typically had high clearance, while the tertiary amines, piperidine (**45i**) and morpholine (**45j**), were still high but shifted in the right direction. The 4-piperidine analogues typically provided the more potent compounds and provided a handle to modulate the pharmacokinetic properties by varying the substituent at the 4-position of the piperidine ring. It was found that compounds with a basic amine directly linked (**47m**,**o**,**p**) or extended by a methylene (**47u**,**w**) to the

Table 10. Rat Pharmacokinetic Profiles of Selected P2Y₁₂ Antagonists^{*a,b*}



Cpd	R 4	CL	Vdss	$T_{1/2}, eff$	Foral
		(mL/min/kg)	(L/kg)	(h)	(%)
10d		98	15.5	1.8	34
26d	≪ -H	89	10.3	1.3	70
26e		29	1.7	0.7	>95 ^c
50e		109	3.9	0.4	72
50i		94	13.6	0.2	33
51i		49	1.5	0.4	77
52a		675	29	0.5	66
52i		46	2.3	0.6	100 ^d
52n	_0	133	3.1	0.3	1
52q	► R	62	1.3	0.2	-
53n		150	6.9	0.5	1
70c		94	5.2	0.64	-
70d		36	0.58	0.2	-
72a		130	6.9	0.6	-
72b		63	3.4	0.6	-
72c		141	10.9	0.89	-
57b	0	109	8.6	1.3	-
57d	× - Ŭ	46	2.3	0.6	-
57f	O'NR'R"	220	31	1.6	-
80o	0	51	1.1	0.24	-
80p	Ŭ.	54	1.2	0.25	-
80q	NR'R"	37	0.77	0.2	-
83g		112	5.6	0.6	-
83h	R	38	3.2	1.0	-
83i		96	9.2	1.1	-
45c		85	3.8	0.5	80
45i		34	1.3	0.4	-
45j		58	3.4	0.7	-
47e	B'	103	3.9	0.4	8
47m	N	32	0.38	0.1	-
47o	- 'N D"	81	2.3	0.3	-
47p	n	52	7.3	1.6	-
47s		3	0.3	0.7	89
47u		70	2.6	0.4	-
47w		92	2.1	0.3	-

^{*a*}Male Sprague–Dawley rats (n = 2-4 rats). ^{*b*}Dose: iv infusion at 2 mg/kg; po at 5 mg/kg. Vehicle: 50% PEG400/40% PBS/10% ethanol. ^{*c*} F_{oral} (n = 3): 92%, 95%, and 181%. ^{*d*} F_{oral} (n = 1): 183%.

4-position of the piperidine usually had high clearance values. One strategy to reduce the basicity was to replace the basic amine on the piperidine with an alkoxy group. Replacing the amine group with a methoxy resulted in compounds with acceptable clearance values, although a slight loss in potency was observed. This exercise led to the discovery of compound 47s, with a low clearance of 3 (mL/min)/kg in rat (1 (mL/min)/kg in rat)/kg in rat (1 (mL/min)/kg in rat)/kg in rat)/kgkg, dog) with good bioavailability (>90%, dog). Clearance of 47s in rats appears to be mediated through extensive biliary excretion, with roughly 70% of an iv dose (2 mg/kg) recovered in the bile within 4 h. Oral bioavailability in a definitive rat study (2 mpk) averaged 25% (22%, 25%, and 27%), leading to a predicted human bioavailability of 30% with the projected human dose of 250 mg b.i.d. Oral bioavailability in a definitive dog study (0.2 mpk) averaged 67% (33%, 80%, and 87%), leading to a predicted human bioavailability of 70% with the projected human dose of 85 mg b.i.d.

Further evaluation of compound **47s** showed good solubility and chemical stability with the crystalline form of the compound. Compound **47s** was found to have acceptable margins vs hERG activity and a satisfactory CYP inhibition profile. Further evaluation on the potency of compound **47s** was determined by measuring the IC₅₀ in 13 human donors using 20 μ M ADP-stimulated PRP aggregation with the 4-well Chronolog PRP aggregometry assay and found the average IC₅₀ to be 1.8 μ M. Compound **47s** was orally efficacious in the rat ferric chloride model in which it dose-dependently prevented thrombus formation in this model of injury induced thrombosis.

In vitro receptor binding, signaling, and functional studies have shown that **47s** is a high affinity, selective, and competitive antagonist at P2Y₁₂ receptors. Compound **47s** is more than 340-fold selective for P2Y₁₂ over the other purinergic receptors tested, including the closest homologue, P2Y₁₃ (48% homology to P2Y₁₂), and a second platelet purinergic GPCR, P2Y₁ (19% homology to P2Y₁₂). The K_b (8.5 nM) for functional antagonism in the P2Y₁₂ signaling assay is in good agreement with the K_i (15 nM) for the receptor. The K_b in human PRP platelet aggregation assays (300 nM) is higher because of the presence of plasma proteins. Schild analysis indicates that the interaction of **47s** with the receptor in the aggregation assays is competitive with ADP.

In summary, we have utilized PASP parallel library synthesis to identify a P2Y₁₂ lead. This lead was quickly followedup with the generation of structure-activity relationships leading to highly potent P2Y₁₂ antagonists. With sufficient levels of potency attained, pharmacokinetic and physiochemical properties were modulated through various substituents at the 4-pyridine position. Fine-tuning the PK properties led to 47s, an orally bioavailable, direct acting, reversible P2Y₁₂ antagonist. This compound is a selective antagonist of the human P2Y₁₂ receptor and demonstrates oral antiplatelet and antithrombotic efficacy in preclinical species. No safety issues were observed with 47s, as it was inactive in both the Ames and micronucleus assays and has been evaluated in both rat and dog safety studies (single dose and 7-day repeat dose) without significant toxicological findings. The potency, selectivity, safety, and overall pharmacokinetic profile for 47s support advancement for clinical evaluation. Reports from our backup program where efforts are focused on refining the SAR for more potent analogues with improved pharmacokinetic properties will be forthcoming.

Experimental Section

General Conditions. Solvents and chemicals were reagent grade or better and were obtained from commercial sources. All polymeric reagents and sequestering resins were obtained from commercial sources. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded using a 300, 400, or 500 MHz NMR spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm, using the solvent as internal standard. High-resolution mass spectral (HRMS) data were recorded on a Mariner TOF from a Perseptive Biosystems instrument with electrospray ionization of a loop inject with 10 mM ammonium acetate in methanol at 50 mL/min and a lockmass of m/z 387 from AlaLeuAlaLeu. All tested compounds were at least 95% pure as determined by HPLC analysis equipped with a mass spectrometry detector using a C18 3.5 μ m, $30 \text{ mm} \times 2.1 \text{ mm}$ column, eluting with a gradient system of 5/95 to 95/5 acetonitrile/H₂O with a buffer consisting of 0.1% TFA over 4.5 min at 1 mL/min and detected by UV at 254 and 210 nm using a diode array detector. Preparative column chromatography was performed on a preparative liquid chromatography instrument using silica gel columns and/or on a HPLC system using an 8 μ m 60 A, C18 column (41 mm i.d. × 100 mm length). Reported yields are not optimized, with emphasis on purity of products rather than quantity.

General Procedure A. Coupling of Carboxylic Acid 5 with Amine Templates 2–4 To Afford Products 9–11. To a mixture of carboxylic acid 5 (0.26 mmol), 1-hydroxybenzotriazole (0.02 mmol), and N-methylmorpholine (44.0 uL, 0.40 mmol) in dichloromethane/dimethylformamide (4 mL, 7:1) in a 30 mL vial were added amine templates 2-4 (0.38 M in dimethylformamide) (526 uL, 0.20 mmol) and polymer-bound carbodiimide reagent 6 (1.17 mmol/g) (0.26 g, 0.30 mmol). The suspension was agitated 16 h. Upon completion of the reaction, dichloromethane (6 mL) was added followed by polyamine resin 8 (0.90 g, 2.5 mmol) (2.87 mmol/g) and isocyanate resin 7 (200 mg, 0.30 mmol) (1.47 mmol/g) and the suspension was agitated for 1-20 h. The reaction mixtures were filtered and rinsed with dichloromethane $(1 \times 4 \text{ mL})$. The combined filtrate and washings were dried in vacuo to afford the tert-butyl ester products.

General Procedure B. Deprotection of the *tert*-Butyl Ester Group. A solution of 10% trifluoroacetic acid/dichloromethane solution (2.0 mL) was added to the *tert*-butyl ester (\sim 0.20 mmol) and agitated on an orbital shaker or stirred at room temperature for 1–24 h. Evaporation of the solvents afforded the crude products. The products were purified by HPLC to afford the pure products 9–11.

Ethyl 4-{N-[(4,6-Diphenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]glycyl}piperazine-1-carboxylate (9a). General procedure A afforded 61.0 mg (65%) of product 9a. HRMS calcd for C₂₇H₂₈N₄O₄ (M⁺ + H) 473.2183, found 473.2151.

Ethyl 4-{*N*-[(6-Phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]glycyl}piperazine-1carboxylate (9b). General procedure A afforded 240 mg (92%) of product 9b. ¹H NMR (CD₃OD) δ 1.24 (t, 3H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 3.48-3.62 (m, 8H), 4.12 (q, 2H, *J* = 12.0 Hz), 4.35 (s, 2H), 7.42-7.50 (m, 3H), 7.99-8.05 (m, 3H), 8.16 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz); MS (ESI+) *m*/*z* 397 (M + H). Anal. Calcd for C₂₁H₂₄N₄O₄·0.2H₂O: C, 63.05; H, 6.15; N, 14.00. Found: C, 62.88; H, 5.94; N, 13.91.

(4*S*)-4-{[(4,6-Diphenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-[4-(eth-oxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (10a). General procedures A and B afforded 107.0 mg (66%) of product 10a. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{32}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 545.2395, found 545.2375.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-[(pyridin-2-ylcarbonyl)amino]pentanoic Acid (10b). General procedures A and B afforded 19 mg (22%) of product 10b. HRMS calcd for $C_{18}H_{24}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 393.1769, found 393.1765.

(42*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-{[(4-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (10c). General procedures A and B afforded 82.0 mg (63%) of product 10c. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 8.85 (d, 1H, J = 8.1 Hz), 8.71 (dd, 1H, J = 5.2 Hz, J' = 0.5 Hz), 8.28 (d, 1H, J = 1.2 Hz), 7.95 (dd, 1H, J = 5.2 Hz, J' = 1.9 Hz), 7.85 (dd, 2H, J = 8.2 Hz, J' = 1.5Hz), 7.51 (m, 3H), 5.03 (m, 1H), 4.05 (q, 2H, J = 7.0 Hz), 3.64 (br, 2H), 3.42 (m, 6H), 2.30 (m, 2H), 2.05 (m, 1H), 1.85 (m, 1H), 1.17 (t, 3H, J = 7.0 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₂₄H₂₈N₄O₆ (M⁺ + H) 469.2082, found 469.2051.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenyl-pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (10d). General procedures A and B afforded 37.9 mg (43%) of product 10d. HRMS calcd for $C_{24}H_{28}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 469.2082, found 469.2082.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-[(1,1':3',1''-terphenyl-5'-ylcarbonyl)amino]pentanoic Acid (10e). General procedures A and B afforded 36.0 mg (29%) of product 10e. HRMS calcd for $C_{31}H_{33}N_3O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 544.2442, found 544.2420.

(4*S*)-4-[(1,1'-Biphenyl-3-ylcarbonyl)amino]-5-[4-(ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (10f). General procedures A and B afforded 45.0 mg (41%) of product 10f. HRMS calcd for $C_{25}H_{29}N_3O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 468.2129, found 468.2141. (4*S*)-4-[(2,6-Diphenylisonicotinoyl)amino]-5-[4-(ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (10g). General procedures A and B afforded 54.0 mg (50%) of product 10g. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{32}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 545.2395, found 545.2432.

(*S*)-Ethyl 4-{4-Carboxy-2-[(2-phenylpyrimidine-4-carbonyl)amino]butyryl}piperazine-1-carboxylate (10h). General procedures A and B afforded 15.8 mg (69%) of product 10h. Mp $60-68 \,^{\circ}C$; [α]₂₅²⁵ +23.9° (*c* 0.18); ¹H NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 12.1 (br s, 1H), 9.20 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 9.15 (d, 1H, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 8.57 (m, 2H), 7.93 (d, 1H, *J* = 4.9 Hz), 7.60 (m, 3H), 5.05 (m, 1H), 4.06 (q, 2H, *J* = 7.1 Hz), 3.60 (m, 3H), 3.44 (m, 4H), 2.35 (m, 2H), 2.08 (m, 1H), 1.93 (m, 1H), 1.19 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.1 Hz); MS (ESI+) *m*/*z* 470 (M + H). Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₇N₅O₆-S·0.35H₂O: C, 58.06; H, 5.87; N, 14.72. Found: C, 58.17; H, 5.82; N, 14.56.

(*S*)-Ethyl 4-{4-Carboxy-2-[(4-phenylpyrimidine-2-carbonyl)amino]butyryl}piperazine-1-carboxylate (10i). General procedures A and B afforded 55 mg (56%) of product 10i. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 9.12 (s, 1H), 8.93 (d, 1H, J = 5.0 Hz), 8.19 (dd, 2H, J = 5.0, 1.5 Hz), 7.84 (d, 1H, J = 5.0 Hz), 7.84–7.53 (m, 3H), 5.33–5.30 (m, 1H), 4.16 (q, 1H, J = 7.0 Hz), 3.72–3.44 (m, 8H), 2.62–2.50 (m, 2H), 2.27–2.23 (m, 1H), 1.97–1.94 (m, 1H), 1.30 (t, 3H, J = 7.0 Hz); MS (ESI+) m/z 470 (M + H).

(4*S*)-4-{[[(4,6-Diphenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-[4-(3-met-hylphenyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (11a). General procedures A and B afforded 126.0 mg (62%) of product 11a. HRMS calcd for $C_{34}H_{34}N_4O_4$ (M⁺ + H) 563.2653, found 563.2655.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(3-Methylphenyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-{[(4-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (11b). General procedures A and B afforded 131.0 mg (91%) of product 11b. HRMS calcd for $C_{28}H_{30}N_4O_4$ (M⁺ + H) 487.2340, found 487.2377.

 $\label{eq:source} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-5-[4-(3-Methylphenyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenyl-pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino} pentanoic Acid (11c). General procedures A and B afforded 28.0 mg (19%) of product 11c. HRMS calcd for C_{28}H_3N_4O_4~(M^+ + H)~487.2340, found~487.2379. \end{array}$

(4*S*)-5-[4-(3-Methylphenyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-[(1,1':3',1''-terphenyl-5'-ylcarbonyl)amino]pentanoic Acid (11d). General procedures A and B afforded 52.0 mg (38%) of product 11d. HRMS calcd for $C_{35}H_{35}N_3O_4$ (M⁺ + H) 562.2700, found 562.2715.

(4*S*)-4-[(1,1'-Biphenyl-3-ylcarbonyl)amino]-5-[4-(3-methylphenyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (11e). General procedure A afforded 21.0 mg (33%) of product 11e. HRMS calcd for $C_{29}H_{31}N_3O_4$ (M⁺ + H) 486.2387, found 486.2418.

1-Allyl 5-*tert*-Butyl-*N*-[(4-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]-L-glutamate (14). To a mixture of 6-phenylpyridine-2-carboxylic acid 13 (11.3 g, 56.7 mmol), hydroxybenzotriazole (763 mg, 5.7 mmol), and *N*-methylmorpholine (24.9 mL, 226 mmol) in dichloromethane/dimethylformamide (140 mL, 5:2) were added 1-allyl 5-*tert*-butyl L-glutamate hydrochloride 12 (10.7 g, 38.2 mmol) and polymer-bound carbodiimide reagent 6 (1.27 mmol/g) (66.9 g, 85.0 mmol). The suspension was agitated 16 h, and the resin was filtered and rinsed with dichloromethane (4 × 10 mL). The filtrate and washings were dried in vacuo to afford 16.3 g (68%) of product 14. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.33 (s, 9H), 2.08–2.46 (m, 4H), 4.63 (d, 2H), 4.80 (m, 1H), 5.19–5.32 (m, 2H), 5.83–5.96 (m, 1H), 7.40–7.50 (m, 3H), 7.85–7.87 (m, 2H), 7.94 (s, 1H), 8.01–8.04 (m, 2H), 8.77 (d, NH).

5-*tert***-Butyl** *N*-[(**4**-*phenylpyridin-2-yl*)*carbonyl*]-*L*-*glutamic* Acid (15). Tetrakis(triphenylphosphine)palladium(0) (300 mg, 0.25 mmol) was added to a solution of 1-allyl 5-*tert*-butyl-*N*-[(4-*phenylpyridin-2-yl*)*carbonyl*]-*L*-*glutamate* 14 (16.3 g, 38.4 mmol) and morpholine (3.36 mL, 38.4 mmol) in acetonitrile (200 mL) under nitrogen. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. Upon completion, the product mixture was filtered through Celite, and the filtrate was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by reverse-phase HPLC (10–60% acetonitrile/water with 0.1% TFA modifier) to afford 11.5 g (78%) of product 15. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.36 (s, 9H), 2.11–2.51 (m, 4H), 4.85 (m, 1H), 7.39–7.47 (m, 3H), 7.85 (m, 2H), 8.02–8.01 (m, 3H), 8.91 (d, NH).

Benzyl 4-((2*S*)-5-*tert*-Butoxy-5-oxo-2-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoyl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (17). To a mixture of 5-*tert*-butyl *N*-[(4-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]-Lglutamic acid 15 (11.5 mL, 29.9 mmol), hydroxybenzotriazole (1.2 g, 3.0 mmol), and *N*-methylmorpholine (13.1 mL, 119.6 mmol) in dichloromethane/dimethylformamide (140 mL, 13:1) were added benzyl 1-piperazinecarboxylate 16 (5.8 mL, 29.9 mmol) and polymer-bound carbodiimide reagent 6 (1.27 mmol/ g) (35.3 g, 44.8 mmol). The suspension was agitated for 16 h, and the resin was filtered and rinsed with dichloromethane (4 × 10 mL). The filtrate and washings were dried in vacuo to afford 15.8 g (90%) of product 17. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.42 (s, 9H), 1.90–2.18 (m, 2H), 2.29–2.41 (m, 2H), 3.62 (m, 8H), 5.14 (s, 2H), 5.22 (m, 1H), 7.34 (m, 4H), 7.47 (m, 3H), 7.88 (m, 3H), 8.07 (m, 3H), 8.96 (d, NH).

tert-Butyl (4*S*)-5-Oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-piperazin-1-ylpentanoate (18). Benzyl 4-((2*S*)-5-*tert*-butoxy-5oxo-2-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoyl)piperazine-1-carboxylate 17 (15.8 g, 26.9 mmol) was dissolved in methanol (200 mL), and the reaction vessel was flushed with $N_{2(g)}$. Then 10% Pd/C (1.6 g, 10% by weight) was added to the solution, and the reaction vessel was flushed with $N_{2(g)}$ then $H_{2(g)}$. The mixture was stirred for 16 h under a balloon of $H_{2(g)}$. The mixture was filtered through a pad of Celite. The filtrate and cake rinses were dried in vacuo to afford 11.0 g (81%) of product 18. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.40 (s, 9H), 1.83–2.42 (m, 12H), 5.19 (m, 1H), 7.41–7.50 (m, 3H), 7.82–8.09 (m, 3H), 8.94 (d, NH).

General Procedure C. Reaction of Amine 18 with Electrophiles 19 To Afford Products 20. A solution of tert-butyl (4S)-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-piperazin-1-ylpentanoate 18 (0.15 M in dichloromethane) (1 mL, 0.15 mmol) was added to each reaction well containing the electrophile 19 (0.6 mmol) (which included chloroformates, acid chlorides, isocyanates, thioisocyanates, sulfonyl isocyanates, and sulfonyl chlorides), triethylamine (125 μ L, 0.9 mmol) (wells with chloroformates and acid chlorides only) and dichloromethane (6 mL). The vials were agitated for 1 to several hours. Upon completion of the reaction, the product mixture was dried under a stream of nitrogen gas and, if necessary, diluted with dichloromethane (8 mL) and scavenged with PS-diethylenetriamine 8 (0.6 mmol). The resin was filtered and rinsed with dichloromethane $(2 \times 6 \text{ mL})$. The filtrate and washings were dried in vacuo to afford the tertbutyl ester products.

Deprotection of the *tert***-Butyl Ester Group.** A solution of 20% trifluoroacetic acid/dichloromethane solution (8.0 mL) was added to the *tert*-butyl ester (\sim 0.15 mmol) and agitated on an orbital shaker or stirred at room temperature for 1–24 h. Evaporation of the solvents afforded the crude products. The products were purified by HPLC to afford the pure products 20.

General Procedure D. Preparation of Piperazine Carbamate Analogues 26. Preparation of Polymer-Supported NHS-Chloroformate (23). Polymer supported *N*-hydroxysuccinimide resin 21 (1.09 mmol/g) (300 mg, 0.33 mmol) was placed in a Quest 210 (Argonaut) disposable, fritted reaction vessel and swelled with dichloromethane (2 mL). Triphosgene 22 (0.72 M in dichloromethane) (1 mL, 0.72 mmol) and pyridine (32 uL, 0.40 mmol) were delivered to the reaction vessels followed by agitation for 1 h. Upon completion of the reaction, the vessels were drained and rinsed with dichloromethane (4 × 3 mL) to remove excess reagents to afford polymer-supported NHSchloroformate 23.

Preparation of Polymer-Supported NHS-Carbonates (25). The alcohol **24** (0.6 M in dichloromethane) (4 mL, 2.4 mmol) and pyridine (32 μ L, 0.40 mmol) were added to the polymer-supported NHS-chloroformate **23**. The reaction mixtures were agitated for 2 h before the vessels were drained and rinsed with dichloromethane (4 × 3 mL) to afford polymer-supported NHS-carbonate **25**. Carbamate Formation with *tert*-Butyl (4*S*)-5-Oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-piperazin-1-ylpentanoate 18 and Polymer-Supported NHS-Carbonate 25. *tert*-Butyl (4*S*)-5oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-piperazin-1ylpentanoate 18 (0.25 M in dichloromethane) (1 mL, 0.25 mmol) was added to the preswelled polymer-supported NHScarbonate 25 in dichloromethane (2 mL). The reaction mixtures were agitated for 16 h before the vessels were drained and rinsed with dichloromethane (4 \times 3 mL), and the combined filtrate and washings were dried in vacuo to afford the *tert*-butyl ester products.

Deprotection of the *tert***-Butyl Ester Group.** A solution of 20% trifluoroacetic acid/dichloromethane solution (8.0 mL) was added to the residue (\sim 0.25 mmol) and agitated on an orbital shaker or stirred at room temperature for 1–24 h. Evaporation of the solvents afforded the products **26**. The products were purified by HPLC to afford the pure products **26**.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Methoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenyl-pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (26a). General procedure D afforded 28.1 mg (41%) of product 26a. HRMS calcd for $C_{23}H_{26}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 455.1925, found 455.1912.

(4*S*)-5-Oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-[4-(propoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]pentanoic Acid (26b). General procedure D afforded 38.9 mg (44%) of product 26b. HRMS calcd for $C_{25}H_{30}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 483.2238, found 483.2254.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenyl-pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (26c). General procedure D afforded 17.3 mg (23%) of product 26c. HRMS calcd for $C_{26}H_{32}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 497.2395, found 497.2403.

 $\label{eq:constraint} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-5-Oxo-5-}\{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl\}-4-\{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino\} pentanoic Acid (26d). General procedure D afforded 17.4 mg (23%) of product 26d. HRMS calcd for <math display="inline">C_{27}H_{34}N_4O_6~(M^++H)~511.2551,~found~511.2543. \end{array}$

 $\label{eq:started} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-5-\{4-[(Hexyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl\}-5-oxo-4-\{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino\}pentanoic Acid (26e). General procedure D afforded 61.6 mg (64%) of product 26e. HRMS calcd for C_{28}H_{36}N_4O_6~(M^+ + H)~525.2708, found~525.2705. \end{array}$

 $\label{eq:solution} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-5-}\{4-[(Heptyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl\}-5-oxo-4-\{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino\} pentanoic Acid (26f). General procedure D afforded 45.2 mg (46%) of product 26f. HRMS calcd for C_{29}H_{38}N_4O_6~(M^+ + H)~539.2864, found~539.2901. \end{array}$

 $\label{eq:constraint} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4.5)-5-}\{4-[(Octyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl\}-5-oxo-4-\{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino\}pentanoic Acid (26g). General procedure D afforded 66 mg (66%) of product 26g. HRMS calcd for C_{30}H_{40}N_4O_6~(M^++H)~553.3021, found~553.3045. \end{array}$

(4*S*)-5-Oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-{4-[(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (26h). General procedure D afforded 110.0 mg (83%) of product 26h. HRMS calcd for $C_{24}H_{25}F_3N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 523.1799, found 523.1791.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Isopropoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenyl-pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (26i). General procedure D afforded 11.5 mg (16%) of product 26i. HRMS calcd for $C_{25}H_{30}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 483.2238, found 483.2213.

(4*S*)-5-Oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-{4-[(4,4,4-trifluorobutoxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (26j). General procedure D afforded 89.4 mg (64%) of product 26j. HRMS calcd for $C_{26}H_{29}F_3N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 551.2112, found 551.2075.

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(But-3-yn-1-yloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (26k). General procedure D afforded 47.3 mg (52%) of product 26k. HRMS calcd for $C_{26}H_{28}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 493.2082, found 493.2094.

 $\label{eq:started} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-5-\{4-[(Cyclopentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl\}-5-oxo-4-} \\ \textbf{([(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (26l). General procedure D afforded 38.0 mg (30%) of product 26l. HRMS calcd for <math display="inline">C_{27}H_{32}N_4O_6~(M^++H)~509.2395,~found~509.2405. \end{array}$

(4S)-5-{4-[(Cyclohexyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (26m). General

procedure D afforded 54.3 mg (41%) of product **26m**. HRMS calcd for $C_{28}H_{34}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 523.2551, found 523.2530.

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(Cyclobutylmethoxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (26n). General procedure D afforded 38.5 mg (30%) of product 26n. HRMS calcd for $C_{27}H_{32}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 509.2395, found 509.2432.

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(Cyclopentylmethoxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-5oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (260). General procedure D afforded 55.2 mg (42%) of product 260. HRMS calcd for $C_{28}H_{34}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 523.2551, found 523.2541.

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(2-Cyclopropylethoxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-5oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (26p). General procedure D afforded 20.9 mg (16%) of product 26p. HRMS calcd for $C_{27}H_{32}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 509.2395, found 509.2400.

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(3-Methylbutoxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (26q). General procedure D afforded 90.2 mg (16%) of product 26q. HRMS calcd for $C_{27}H_{34}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 511.2551, found 511.2559.

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(3,3-Dimethylbutoxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (26r). General procedure D afforded 80.7 mg (61%) of product 26r. HRMS calcd for $C_{28}H_{36}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 525.2708, found 525.2696.

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(2-Methoxyethoxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (26s). General procedure D afforded 23.6 mg (32%) of product 26s. HRMS calcd for $C_{25}H_{30}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 499.2187, found 499.2182.

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(Benzyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (26t). General procedure D afforded 20 mg (45%) of product 26t. ¹H NMR (CD₃OD) 1.94–1.99 (m, 1H), 2.17–2.20 (m, 1H), 2.41–2.45 (m, 2H), 3.40–3.74 (m, 6H), 3.76 (br s 2H), 5.11 (s, 2H), 5.21 (m, 1H), 7.25–7.33 (m, 5H), 7.44–7.50 (m, 3H), 7.99–8.03 (m, 3H), 8.12 (d, 2 H, J = 8.0 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₂₉H₃₀N₄O₆ (M⁺ + H) 531.2244, found 531.2258.

Methyl 4-Hydroxy-6-phenylpyridine-2-carboxylate (28). A solution of 4-hydroxy-6-phenylpyridine-2-carboxylic acid 27 (15.1 g, 70.2 mmol), concentrated sulfuric acid (14 mL), and methanol (400 mL) was heated to reflux for 24 h with the condensate passing through a 100 mL addition funnel filled with 3 Å molecular sieves. Upon completion of the reaction, the solution was cooled to ambient temperature and neutralized with solid sodium bicarbonate (80 g) and then filtered. The filtrate was dried in vacuo and purified on silica gel to afford 15.3 g (95%) of product 28. Mp 49–52 °C; ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 11.19 (s, 1H), 8.05 (m, 2H), 7.42–7.54 (m, 5H), 3.90 (s, 3H); MS (ESI+) m/z 230 (M + H).

Methyl 4-Chloro-6-phenylpyridine-2-carboxylate Hydrochloride (29). A mixture of methyl 4-hydroxy-6-phenylpyridine-2carboxylate 28 (7.56 g, 33.0 mmol) and phosphorus oxychloride (70 mL) was heated to reflux under nitrogen for 20 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to ambient temperature and dried in vacuo. In an ice-water bath, methanol (70 mL) was slowly added to the reaction residue. Once this addition was complete, the resulting solution was concentrated to ~30 mL and diluted with water (100 mL). The resulting precipitate was collected by vacuum filtration, washed with water (50 mL), and dried in vacuo to give 7.68 g (82%) of product 29. Mp 86–88 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.03 (m, 3H), 7.88 (d, 1H, J = 1.8 Hz), 7.48 (m, 3H), 4.03 (s, 3H); MS (ESI+) m/z 248 (M + H).

4-Chloro-6-phenylpyridine-2-carboxylate (30). To a solution of methyl 4-chloro-6-phenylpyridine-2-carboxylate hydrochloride **29** (10.0 g, 35.2 mmol) in dioxane (50 mL) was slowly added potassium hydroxide (0.26 M in water) (40 mL, 105.6 mmol). Additional water (50 mL) was added to facilitate stirring. After Parlow et al.

the mixture was stirred for 30 min, the slurry was cooled in an ice-water bath and then acidified with 3 N HCl to pH 5. The crude product was isolated by vacuum filtration and washed with water (1 × 100 mL) and diethyl ether (3 × 50 mL). Residual solvents were removed in vacuo to afford 7.83 g (95%) of product **30**. ¹H NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 8.31 (d, 1H, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 8.20 (m, 2H), 7.97 (d, 1H, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 7.52 (m, 3H); MS (ESI+) *m*/*z* 234 (M + H).

4-Azido-6-phenylpyridine-2-carboxylate (31). To a solution of 4-chloro-6-phenylpyridine-2-carboxylate **30** (200 mg, 0.83 mmol) and Aliquat 336 (33.5 mg, 0.083 mmol) in ethanol/water (2 mL/ 1 mL) was slowly added sodium azide (65.0 mg, 1.0 mmol), and the mixture was heated to 100 °C for 1 h. After cooling, the mixture was poured onto ice/water to provide a solid. The precipitate was filtered, washed with water, and dried in a vacuum oven overnight to provide 163 mg (79%) of product **31**. ¹H NMR (methanol- d_4) δ 4.53 (br s, 1H), 7.35–7.43 (m, 4H), 7.61 (m, 1H), 8.04 (d, 2H, J = 4.0 Hz).

General Procedure E. Coupling of *tert*-Butyl Piperazine-1carboxylate 32 with Chloroformates 33. Piperazine-1,4-dicarboxylic Acid *tert*-Butyl Ester Butyl Ester (34b). To a mixture of *tert*-butyl piperazine-1-carboxylate 32 (5.0 g, 26.8 mmol) and *N*,*N*-diisopropylethylamine (5.14 mL, 29.5 mmol) in anhydrous methylene chloride (50 mL) at 0 °C was added *n*-butyl chloroformate 33b (4.45 g, 29.5 mmol) dropwise over 15 min. The mixture warmed to room temperature and stirred for 3 h. The mixture was poured into 10% aqueous citric acid (200 mL), and the organic layer was isolated, dried over sodium sulfate, filtered, and concentrated to give 8.05 g (99%) of product 35b. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 4.08 (t, 2H, J = 6.7 Hz), 3.42 (m, 8H), 1.63 (m, 2H), 1.47 (s, 9H), 1.33 (m, 2H), 0.91 (t, 2H, J = 6.5 Hz).

Piperazine-1,4-dicarboxylic Acid *tert*-**Butyl Ester Pentyl Ester** (**34c**). General procedure E afforded 3.40 g (100%) of product **33**. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 4.09 (m, 2H), 3.43 (m, 8H), 1.63 (m, 2H), 1.47 (s, 9H), 1.26–1.36 (m, 4H), 0.91 (m, 3H).

Piperazine-1,4-dicarboxylic Acid *tert*-Butyl Ester Hexyl Ester (34d). General procedure E afforded crude product 34d. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 4.06 (m, 2H), 3.40 (m, 8H), 1.62 (m, 2H), 1.44 (s, 9H), 1.26–1.36 (m, 6H), 0.87 (m, 3H).

General Procedure F. Boc Deprotection. Butyl Piperazine-1carboxylate (35b). Method A. To a solution of piperazine-1,4dicarboxylic acid *tert*-butyl ester butyl ester 34b (7.67 g, 26.8 mmol) in methylene chloride (50 mL) was added trifluoroacetic acid (25.0 mL, 336 mmol). The mixture was stirred for 3 h at room temperature. The mixture was concentrated to an oily residue in vacuo and dissolved in methylene chloride (20 mL), and sodium carbonate (25% by weight in water) was added with vigorous stirring until the aqueous phase reached pH 10. The organic phase was separated, dried over sodium sulfate, filtered, and dried in vacuo to afford 4.94 g (99%) of product 34b. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 4.08 (t, 2H, J = 6.7 Hz), 3.43 (t, 4H, J = 5.0Hz), 2.82 (t, 4H, J = 5.0 Hz), 1.63 (m, 2H), 1.37 (m, 2H), 0.93 (t, 3H, J = 6.4 Hz); MS (ESI+) m/z 187 (M + H).

Method B: Pentyl Piperazine-1-carboxylate Hydrochloride (35c). To a solution of piperazine-1,4-dicarboxylic acid *tert*butyl ester pentyl ester 34c (1.77 g, 5.90 mmol) in methylene chloride (15 mL) was added hydrochloric acid (4 M in 1,4dioxane) (15.0 mL, 60.0 mmol). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h and was dried in vacuo to afford 1.20 g (87%) of product 35c. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 10.00 (br s, 1H), 4.12 (m, 2H), 3.84 (s, 4H), 3.21 (s, 4H), 1.64 (m, 2H), 1.33 (m, 4H), 0.91 (m, 3H); MS (ESI+) *m*/*z* 201 (M + H).

Hexyl Piperazine-1-carboxylate Hydrochloride (35d). General procedure F, method B, afforded 41.7 g (99%) of product 35d. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 4.09 (m, 2H), 3.83 (s, 4H), 3.19 (s, 4H), 1.71 (m, 2H), 1.61 (m, 2H), 1.29 (m, 4H), 0.88 (m, 3H).

General Procedure G. Coupling of Piperazines 35 with N-Benzyloxycarbonyl-L-glutamic Acid γ -tert-Butyl Ester 36. Ethyl 4-((2S)-2-{[(Benzyloxy)carbonyl]amino}-5-tert-butoxy-5-oxopentanoyl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (37a). To a solution of N-benzyloxycarbonyl-L-glutamic acid γ -tert-butyl ester 36 (53.0 g, 0.16 mol) in dichloromethane (250 mL) chilled to 5 °C with an ice/water bath were added hydroxybenzotriazole (24.4 g, 0.18 mol) and 1-ethyl-3-[3-(dimethylamino)propyl]carbodiimide hydrochloride (36.0 g, 0.19 mol). N-Methylmorpholine (21.0 mL, 0.19 mol) was introduced into the flask in three portions, and stirring continued for 20 min. Ethyl 1piperazinecarboxylate 35a (27.6 mL, 0.19 mol) was added dropwise to the reaction mixture, keeping the temperature between 5 and 11 °C. The mixture came to room temperature, was stirred for 16 h, and was dried in vacuo. The residue was diluted with ethyl acetate (500 mL) and then washed with water (2 \times 250 mL), citric acid (10% by weight in water) (2 \times 150 mL), sodium bicarbonate (saturated in water) (2 \times 500 mL), and brine (2×150 mL). The organic phase was dried over sodium sulfate and dried in vacuo. The crude residue was purified on silica gel (50-100% ethyl acetate/heptane) to afford 62.3 g (83% yield) of product 37a. ¹H NMR (DMSO d_6) δ 7.54 (d, 1H, J = 8.2 Hz), 7.33 (m, 5H), 5.02 (s, 2H), 4.47 (m, 1H), 4.03 (q, 2H, J = 7.1 Hz), 3.26–3.51 (m, 8H), 2.25 (t, 2H, J = 7.0 Hz, 1.80 (m, 1H), 1.67 (m, 1H), 1.39 (s, 9H), 1.19 (t, 3H, J = 7.1 Hz); MS (APCI+) m/z 478 (M + H).

Butyl (*S*)-4-(2-Benzyloxycarbonylamino-4-*tert*-butoxycarbonylbutyryl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (37b). General procedure G afforded 4.27 g (86%) of product 37b. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.32 (m, 5H), 5.79 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 5.10 (m, 2H), 4.73 (m, 1H), 4.10 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.7 Hz), 3.40–3.72 (m, 8H), 2.30 (m, 2H), 1.97 (m, 1H), 1.70 (m, 1H), 1.64 (m, 2H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.38 (m, 2H), 0.95 (t, 3H, *J* = 6.4 Hz); MS (ESI+) *m/z* 506 (M + H).

Pentyl (*S*)-4-(2-Benzyloxycarbonylamino-4-*tert*-butoxycarbonylbutyryl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (37c). General procedure G afforded 4.24 g (92%) of product 37c. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.32 (m, 5H), 5.69 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 5.10 (m, 2H), 4.73 (m, 1H), 4.10 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.7 Hz), 3.40–3.70 (m, 8H), 2.30 (m, 2H), 1.97 (m, 1H), 1.70 (m, 1H), 1.64 (m, 2H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.34 (m, 4H), 0.92 (t, 3H, *J* = 6.4 Hz); MS (ESI+) *m*/*z* 520 (M + H).

Hexyl 4-[(2*S*)-2-{[(Benzyloxy)carbonyl]amino}-5-*tert*-butoxy-5-oxopentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate (37d). General procedure G afforded 95.5 g (99%) of product 37d. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 0.84 (t, 3H, J = 6.7 Hz), 1.25 (m, 6 H), 1.36 (s, 9 H), 1.54 (m, 2 H), 1.65 (m, 1 H), 1.80 (m, 1 H), 2.23 (m, 2H), 3.48 (m, 8H), 4.00 (t, 2H, J = 6.6 Hz), 4.44 (m, 1H), 4.99 (s, 2H), 7.31 (m, 5H), 7.50 (d, 1H, J = 8.2 Hz).

General Procedure H. Cbz Deprotection. Ethyl 4-[(2S)-2-Amino-5-tert-butoxy-5-oxopentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate (38a). To a 2.5 L Parr shaker bottle were added ethyl 4-((2S)-2-{[(benzyloxy)carbonyl]amino}-5-tert-butoxy-5-oxopentanoylpiperazine-1-carboxylate 37a (62.3 g, 130 mmol), ethanol (700 mL), and 10% Pd/C (3.6 g, 5% by weight). The mixture was stirred for 16 h under 40 psi of $H_{2(g)}.$ The reaction mixture was filtered through Celite and the filtrate dried in vacuo, dissolved in dichloromethane (500 mL), and treated with hydrochloric acid (1 N in diethyl ether) (144 mL, 144 mmol) under N2(g) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue triturated with heptane. A solid was collected by vacuum filtration, washed with heptane, and dried in vacuo to afford 43.1 g (92% yield) of product 38a. ¹H NMR $(DMSO-d_6) \delta 4.05 (q, 2H, J = 7.1 Hz), 3.61 (m, 1H), 3.32-3.51$ (m, 8H), 2.30 (m, 2H), 1.68 (m, 1H), 1.44 (m, 1H), 1.41 (s, 9H), 1.19 (t, 3H, J = 7.1 Hz); MS (APCI+) m/z 344 (M + H); mp = 137.5-141.2 °C (dec).

Butyl (S)-4-(2-Amino-4-*tert***-butoxycarbonylbutyryl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (38b).** General procedure H afforded 3.11 g (99%) of a light-yellow oil of product **38b.** ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 4.11 (t, 2H, J = 6.7 Hz), 3.76 (d, 1H, J = 6.0 Hz), 3.40–3.72 (m, 8H), 2.54 (m, 1H), 2.35 (m, 1H), 1.99 (br s, 3H), 1.90 (m, 1H), 1.64 (m, 2H), 1.44 (s, 9H), 1.40 (m, 2H), 0.95 (t, 3H, J = 6.4 Hz); MS (ESI+) m/z 372 (M + H).

Pentyl (S)-4-(2-Amino-4-*tert*-butoxycarbonylbutyryl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (38c). General procedure H afforded 3.24 g (94%) of a yellow oil of product 38c. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 4.10 (t, 2H, J = 6.7 Hz), 3.76 (d, 1H, J = 6.0 Hz), 3.40–3.72 (m, 8H), 2.54 (m, 1H), 2.35 (m, 1H), 1.90 (br s, 3H), 1.64 (m, 2H), 1.55 (m, 1H), 1.44 (s, 9H), 1.34 (m, 4H), 0.91 (t, 3H, J = 6.4 Hz); MS (ESI+) m/z 386 (M + H).

Hexyl 4-[(2*S*)-2-Amino-5-*tert*-butoxy-5-oxopentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate (38d). General procedure H afforded 85.0 g (85%) of a clear oil of product 38d. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 0.83 (t, 3H, J = 6.7 Hz), 1.24 (m, 6H), 1.36 (s, 9H), 1.53 (m, 3H), 1.68 (m, 1H), 2.30 (m, 2H), 3.47 (m, 10H), 3.71 (m, 1H), 3.97 (t, 2 H, J = 6.6 Hz).

General Procedure I. Coupling of Amines 38 with Pyridine Acids. Ethyl 4-((2S)-5-tert-Butoxy-2-{[(4-hydroxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoyl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (39). To a mixture of 4-hydroxy-6-phenylpyridine-2carboxylic acid hydrochloride salt 27 (3.0 g, 7.95 mmol), 1hydroxybenzotriazole (0.215 g, 1.59 mmol), and N-methylmorpholine (2.6 mL, 23.8 mmol) in anhydrous dichloromethane/ dimethylformamide (100 mL, 20:1) were added ethyl 4-[(2S)-2amino-5-tert-butoxy-5-oxopentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate 38a (3.0 g, 7.95 mmol) and polymer-bound carbodiimide reagent 6 (1.3 mmol/g, 9.9 g, 12.7 mmol). The suspension was agitated for 16 h. Upon completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture was filtered and rinsed with dichloromethane (4 \times 10 mL) and concentrated in vacuo. Compound was purified on silica gel (30-50% ethyl acetate/hexanes with 5.0% methanol) to afford 3.72 g (87%) of product **39**. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 1.19 (t, 3H, J = 7.12 Hz), 1.34 (s, 9H), 1.77–1.96 (m, 1H, J = 7.79 Hz), 1.93-2.12 (m, 1H), 2.19-2.39 (m, 2H), 3.20-3.54(m, 5H), 3.52-3.77 (m, 3H), 4.06 (q, 2H, J = 6.98 Hz), 4.80-5.15 (m, 1H), 7.34-7.63 (m, 5H), 8.01-8.23 (m, 2H), 8.95 (d, 1H, J = 8.06 Hz), 11.13 (s, 1H); HRMS calcd for $C_{28}H_{35}N_4O_7 (M^+ + H) 541.2657$, found 541.2628.

Butyl 4-((2*S*)-5-*tert*-Butoxy-2-{[(4-hydroxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoyl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (40). General procedure I afforded 11.5 g (74%) of product 40. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 0.72–1.07 (m, 3H), 1.19–1.45 (m, 11H), 1.47–1.66 (m, 2H), 1.69–1.94 (m, 1H), 1.97–2.16 (m, 1H), 2.15–2.43 (m, 2H), 3.19–3.79 (m, 8H), 4.01 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.44 Hz), 4.90–5.14 (m, 1H), 7.34–7.64 (m, 5H), 8.06–8.24 (m, 2H), 8.95 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.32 Hz), 11.11 (s, 1H); HRMS calcd for C₃₀H₄₁N₄O₇ (M⁺ + H) 569.2970, found 569.2957.

Pentyl 4-((2*S***)-5-***terr***-Butoxy-2-{[(4-hydroxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoyl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (41). General procedure I afforded 0.45 g (59%) of product 41. ¹H NMR (DMSO-***d***₆) δ ppm 0.84 (t, 3H), 1.15–1.41 (m, 13H), 1.44–1.65 (m, 2H), 1.72 1.89 (m, 1H), 1.90–2.11 (m, 1H), 2.16–2.36 (m, 2H), 3.05–3.70 (m, 8H), 3.97 (t, 2H,** *J* **= 6.58 Hz), 4.84–5.16 (m, 1H), 7.23–7.62 (m, 5H), 7.99–8.21 (m, 2H), 8.91 (d, 1H,** *J* **= 8.06 Hz), 11.10 (s, 1H); HRMS calcd for C₃₁H₄₃N₄O₇ (M⁺ + H) 583.3126, found 583.3094.**

Hexyl 4-((2*S*)-5-*tert*-Butoxy-2-{[(4-hydroxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoyl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (42). General procedure I afforded 1.35 g (71%) of product 42. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ ppm 0.86 (t, 3H), 1.03–1.43 (m, 15H), 1.46–1.66 (m, 2H), 1.84 (d, 1H, J = 6.98 Hz), 1.91–2.14 (m, 1H), 2.20–2.40 (m, 2H), 3.20–3.73 (m, 8H), 4.00 (t, 2H, J =6.71 Hz), 4.85–5.14 (m, 1H), 7.38–7.60 (m, 5H), 8.05–8.18 (m, 2H), 8.95 (d, 1H, J = 8.32 Hz), 11.13 (s, 1H); HRMS calcd for C₃₂H₄₅N₄O₇ (M⁺ + H) 597.3283, found 597.3276.

Ethyl 4-[(2*S*)-5-*tert*-Butoxy-2-{[(4-chloro-6-phenylpyridin-2yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate (43a). General procedure I using 4-chloro-6-phenylpyridine-2-carboxylic acid **30** (0.68 g, 2.90 mmol), 1-hydroxybenzotriazole (3.68 g, 4.70 mmol), polymer-bound carbodiimide reagent **6** (1.3 mmol/g, 3.68 g, 4.70 mmol), ethyl 4-[(2*S*)-2-amino-5-*tert*butoxy-5-oxopentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate **38a** (84 mg, 0.62 mmol), and *N*-methylmorpholine (1.0 mL, 9.1 mmol) to afford 0.98 g (61%) of product **43a**. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ ppm 1.26 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.12 Hz), 1.43 (s, 9H), 1.89 (m, 1H), 2.14 (m, 1H), 2.34 (m, 2H), 3.58 (m, 8H), 4.15 (q, 2H, *J* = 7.25 Hz), 5.20 (m, 1H), 7.49 (m, 3H), 7.85 (d, 1H, J = 1.61 Hz), 8.03 (m, 2H), 8.09 (d, 1H, J = 1.61 Hz), 8.86 (d, 1H, J = 8.59 Hz).

Butyl 4-[(2*S*)-5-*tert*-Butoxy-2-{[(4-chloro-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate (43b). General procedure I afforded 5.47 g (92%) of product 43b. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ ppm 0.96 (t, 3H, J = 7.25 Hz), 1.35–1.44 (m, 2H), 1.46 (s, 9H), 1.58–1.71 (m, 2H), 1.86–1.98 (m, 1H), 2.11–2.24 (m, 1H), 2.28–2.50 (m, 2H), 3.41–3.79 (m, 8H), 4.12 (t, 2H, J = 6.58 Hz), 5.18–5.28 (m, 1H), 7.45–7.57 (m, 3H), 7.88 (d, 1H, J = 1.88 Hz), 8.03–8.09 (m, 2H), 8.11 (d, 1H, J = 1.88 Hz), 8.88 (d, 1H, J = 8.59 Hz).

Pentyl 4-((2*S*)-5-*tert*-Butoxy-2-{[(4-chloro-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoyl)piperazine-1-carboxylate (43c). General procedure I afforded 12.2 g (96%) of product 43c. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ ppm 0.89 (t, 3H, J = 6.8 Hz), 1.21–1.40 (m, 4H), 1.42 (s, 9H), 1.59–1.66 (m, 2H), 1.85–1.91 (m, 1H), 2.11–2.43 (m, 3H), 3.42–3.69 (m, 8H), 4.08 (t, 2H, J = 6.58 Hz), 5.17–5.22 (m, 1H), 7.43–7.52 (m, 3H), 7.84–8.08 (m, 4H), 8.90 (d, 1H, J = 8.40 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₁H₄₁ClN₄O₆ (M⁺ + H) 601.2787, found 601.2750.

Hexyl 4-[(2*S*)-5-*tert*-Butoxy-2-{[(4-chloro-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate (43d). General procedure I afforded 8.02 g (65%) of product 43d. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ ppm 0.84 0.96 (m, 3H), 1.26–1.43 (m, 6H), 1.46 (s, 9H), 1.56–1.72 (m, 2H), 1.84–2.00 (m, 1H), 2.11–2.25 (m, 1H), 2.27–2.51 (m, 2H), 3.39–3.81 (m, 8H), 4.11 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.71 Hz), 5.15–5.29 (m, 1H), 7.46–7.57 (m, 3H), 7.88 (d, 1H, *J* = 1.88 Hz), 8.04–8.08 (m, 2H), 8.12 (d, 1H, *J* = 1.61 Hz), 8.88 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.59 Hz).

General Procedure J. Displacement of 4-Chloropyridines 43a-d with Amine 44. A solution of the 4-chloropyridine intermediate 43 (0.09 M in DMSO) (2 mL, 0.18 mmol) was added to each secondary amine (0.80 mmol) or primary amine (2.0 mmol) in a vial, followed by the addition of triethylamine (with secondary amine, 0.1 mL, 0.72 mmol) (with primary amine, 0.3 mL, 2.2 mmol). The mixtures were agitated at 50-100 °C for 16-168 h until judged complete or no longer progressing by LC/MS analysis. The reaction solutions were concentrated in vacuo. If necessary, the residue was purified by HPLC.

Deprotection of the *tert***-Butyl Ester Group.** A solution of 10% trifluoroacetic acid/dichloromethane solution (1.5 mL) was added to the *tert*-butyl ester agitated on an orbital shaker or stirred at room temperature for 1-24 h. Evaporation of the solvents afforded the crude products. The products were purified by HPLC to afford the pure products 45-48.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-({[4-(methylamino)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (45a). General procedure J afforded 33.0 mg (85%) of product 45a. HRMS calcd for $C_{25}H_{31}N_5O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 498.2347, found 498.2316.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(Dimethylamino)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-[4-(ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (45b). General procedure J afforded 36.1 mg (82%) of product 45b. HRMS calcd for $C_{26}H_{33}N_5O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 512.2504, found 512.2512.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phen-yl-4(propylamino)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoic Acid (45c). General procedure J afforded 101.7 mg (97%) of product 45c. HRMS calcd for $C_{27}H_{35}N_5O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 526.2660, found 526.2631.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(Dipropylamino)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-[4-(ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (45d). General procedure J afforded 21.4 mg (19%) of product 45d. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{41}N_5O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 568.3130, found 568.3120.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-[($\{4-[(2-hydro-xyethyl)amino]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl\}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxopen$ tanoic Acid (45e). General procedure J afforded 62.7 mg (75%) of product 45e. HRMS calcd for C₂₆H₃₃N₅O₇ (M⁺ + H) 528.2453, found 528.2477. (4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-[($\{4-[(2-hydroxy-ethyl)(methyl)amino]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl\}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (45f). General procedure J afforded 41.7 mg (39%) of product 45f. HRMS calcd for <math>C_{27}H_{35}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 542.2609, found 542.2582.

 $\label{eq:stars} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-[(\{4-[(2-methoxyethyl)amino]-5-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl)amino]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (45g). General procedure J afforded 81.9 mg (76%) of product 45g. HRMS calcd for C_{27}H_{35}N_5O_7\,(M^++H)\,542.2609, found 542.2574. \end{array}$

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenyl-4-piperidin-1-ylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (45i). General procedure J afforded 103 mg (94%) of product 45i. HRMS calcd for $C_{29}H_{37}N_5O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 552.2817, found 552.2800.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-morpholin-4-yl-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (45j). General procedure J afforded 35.2 mg (75%) of product 45j. HRMS calcd for $C_{28}H_{35}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 554.2609, found 554.2628.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-({[4-(4-hydroxy-piperidin-1-yl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (45k). General procedure J afforded 83.2 mg (74%) of product 45k. HRMS calcd for $C_{29}H_{37}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 568.2766, found 568.2758.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(4-Aminopiperidin-1-yl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-[4-(ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (45m). General procedure J afforded 20.6 mg (56%) of product 45m. HRMS calcd for $C_{29}H_{38}N_6O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 567.2931, found 567.2927.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(4-pyrrolidin-1-ylpiperidin-1-yl)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl} amino)pentanoic Acid (45p). General procedure J afforded 33.2 mg (82%) of product 45p. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{44}N_6O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 621.3400, found 621.3428.

 $\label{eq:starsest} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-[({4-[4-(hydroxymethyl)piperidin-1-yl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (45r). General procedure J afforded 60.2 mg (52%) of product 45r. HRMS calcd for <math display="inline">C_{30}H_{39}N_5O_7\,(M^++H)$ 582.2922, found 582.2940.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-[({4-[4-(methoxy-methyl)piperidin-1-yl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (45s). General procedure J afforded 91.7 mg (78%) of product 45s. HRMS calcd for $C_{31}H_{41}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 596.3079, found 596.3062.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-[($\{4-[(2-methoxy-ethyl)amino]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl\}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (46g). General procedure J afforded 46.1 mg (67%) of product 46g. HRMS calcd for C₂₉H₃₉N₅O₇ (M⁺ + H) 570.2928, found 570.2953.$

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-[({4-[(2-methoxy-ethyl)(methyl)amino]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (46h). General procedure J afforded 62.5 mg (90%) of product 46h. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{41}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 584.3084, found 584.3068.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-morpholin-4-yl-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (46j). General procedure J afforded 54.6 mg (78%) of product 46j. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{39}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 582.2928, found 582.2923.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(4-Aminopiperidin-1-yl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-[4-(butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (46m). General procedure J afforded 18 mg (%) of product 46m. HRMS calcd for $C_{31}H_{42}N_6O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 595.3244, found 595.3206.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-[($\{4-[4-(methyl-amino)piperidin-1-yl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl\}carbonyl)amino]-5$ oxopentanoic Acid (46n). General procedure J afforded 107.6 mg (100%) of product 46n. HRMS calcd for C₃₂H₄₄N₆O₆ (M⁺ + H) 609.3400, found 609.3439.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-[({4-[4-(dimethyl-amino)piperidin-1-yl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (460). General procedure J afforded 33.8 mg (46%) of product 460. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{46}N_6O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 623.3557, found 623.3586.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(4-pyrrolidin-1-ylpiperidin-1-yl)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-pentanoic Acid (46p). General procedure A afforded 31.6 mg (63%) of product 46p. HRMS calcd for $C_{35}H_{48}N_6O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 649.3713, found 649.3708.

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-{4-[(methyl-amino)methyl]piperidin-1-yl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (46v). General procedure J afforded 92.7 mg (100%) of product 46v. HRMS calcd for <math display="inline">C_{33}H_{46}N_6O_6 \ (M^+ + H) \ 623.3552, \ found \ 623.3560. \end{array}$

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-{4-[(dimethyl-amino)methyl]piperidin-1-yl}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (46w). General procedure J afforded 46.5 mg (77%) of product 46w. HRMS calcd for $C_{34}H_{48}N_6O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 637.3708, found 637.3684.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-[({6-phenyl-4-[4-(pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl)piperidin-1-yl]pyridin-2-yl}carbonyl) amino]pentanoic Acid (46x). General procedure J afforded 86.1 mg (100%) of product 46x. HRMS calcd for $C_{36}H_{50}N_6O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 663.3870, found 663.3882.

(4*S*)-5-Oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(propylamino)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoic Acid (47c). General procedure J afforded 59.1 mg (26%) of product 47c. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{41}N_5O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 568.3130, found 568.3130.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[(2-Hydroxyethyl)amino]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}-carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-pentanoic Acid (47e). General procedure J afforded 420 mg (74%) of product 47e. HRMS calcd for $C_{29}H_{39}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 570.2922, found 570.2940.

 $\label{eq:stars} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(45)-4-[(\{4-[(2-Methoxyethyl)amino]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl\}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl]-pentanoic Acid (47g). General procedure J afforded 144.0 mg (56%) of product 47g. HRMS calcd for <math display="inline">C_{30}H_{41}N_5O_7\,(M^++H)$ 584.3079, found 584.3070.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[(2-Methoxyethyl)(methyl)amino]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (47h). General procedure J afforded 55 mg (77%) of product 47h. HRMS calcd for $C_{31}H_{43}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 598.3240, found 598.3252.

(4*S*)-5-Oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-[[(6-phenyl-4-piperidin-1-ylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino} pentanoic Acid (47i). General procedure J afforded 54.2 mg (23%) of product 47i. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{43}N_5O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 594.3286, found 594.3280.

 $\label{eq:stars} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-4-(\{[4-(4-Hydroxypiperidin-1-yl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]-carbonyl]amino)-5-oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl]-pentanoic Acid (47k). General procedure J afforded 93.6 mg (65%) of product 47k. HRMS calcd for <math display="inline">C_{32}H_{43}N_5O_7\,(M^++H)$ 610.3213, found 610.3235.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(4-Methoxypiperidin-1-yl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (47l). General procedure J afforded 68.6 mg (47%) of product 47l. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{45}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 624.3392, found 624.3388.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(4-Aminopiperidin-1-yl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-pentanoic Acid (47m). General procedure J afforded 97.7 mg (68%) of product 47m. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.84 (t, 3H), 1.26 (m, 4H), 1.46–1.57 (m, 4H), 1.80 (m, 1H), 1.94–2.04 (m, 3H),

2.28 (m, 2H), 3.05 (t, 2H), 3.33–3.99 (m, 10H), 3.97 (t, 2H), 4.18 (d, 2H), 4.99 (m, 1H), 7.43–7.51 (m, 5H), 7.91 (d, 2H), 8.12 (d, 2H), 8.98 (d, 2H); HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{44}N_6O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 609.3395, found 609.3361.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[4-(Methylamino)piperidin-1-yl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (47n). General procedure J afforded 64.2 mg (58%) of product 47n. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{46}N_6O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 623.3552, found 623.3531.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[4-(Dimethylamino)piperidin-1-yl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (470). General procedure J afforded 40.2 mg (27%) of product 470. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.86 (t, 3H), 1.28 (m, 4H), 1.56 (m, 2H), 2.05 (m, 4H), 2.29 (m, 2H), 2.68 (m, 1H), 2.74 (s, 3H), 2.76 (s, 3H), 2.98 (t, 2H), 3.38-3.64 (m, 10H), 3.99 (t, 2H), 4.30 (m, 2H), 5.00 (m, 1H), 7.47-7.53 (m, 5H), 8.16 (d, 2H), 8.97 (d, 1H); HRMS calcd for C₃₄H₄₈N₆O₆ (M⁺ + H) 637.3708, found 637.3721.

 $\label{eq:stars} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-5-Oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl\}-4-(\{[6-phenyl-4-(4-pyrrolidin-1-yl]piperidin-1-yl]pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl\}-amino)pentanoic Acid (47p). General procedure J afforded 66.4 mg (57%) of product 47p. HRMS calcd for <math display="inline">C_{36}H_{50}N_6O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 663.3865, found 663.3860. \end{array}

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(4-Morpholin-4-ylpiperidin-1-yl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (47q). General procedure J afforded 31.2 mg (26.2%) of product 47q. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.84 (t, 3H), 1.26 (m, 4H), 1.54 (m, 4H), 1.48–1.65 (m, 4H), 1.81 (m, 1H), 1.97–2.31 (m, 6H), 2.92–3.15 (m, 6H), 3.29–3.68 (m, 12H), 3.97 (t, 2H), 4.30 (m, 2H), 4.99 (m, 1H), 7.44–7.51 (m, 5H), 8.14 (d, 2H), 8.96 (d, 1H); HRMS calcd for C₃₆H₅₀N₆O₇ (M⁺ + H) 679.3814, found 679.3828.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[4-(Hydroxymethyl)piperidin-1-yl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (47r). General procedure J afforded 17 mg (45%) of product 47r. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{45}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 624.3397, found 624.3342.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[4-(Methoxymethyl)piperidin-1-yl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (47s). General procedure J afforded 60 mg (40%) of product 47s. ¹H NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 0.84 (t, 3H), 1.14–1.28 (m, 6H), 1.54 (m, 2H), 1.71–1.85 (m, 4H), 2.01 (m, 1H), 2.93 (t, 2H), 3.17 (d, 2H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 3.37–3.63 (m, 8H), 3.97 (t, 2H), 4.10 (m, 2H), 5.00 (m, 1H), 7.37–7.49 (m, 5H), 8.14 (d, 2H), 8.83 (d, 1H); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-*d*₆) δ 14.27, 22.21, 27.99, 28.30, 28.58, 29.20, 31.83, 35.96, 41.79, 44.96, 46.34, 48.99, 58.57, 65.40, 77.03, 105.23, 106.64, 127.26, 128.94, 129.42, 139.14, 150.44, 155.05, 156.29, 156.61, 164.37, 170.42, 175.65; HRMS calcd for C₃₄H₄₇N₅O₇ (M⁺ + H) 638.3548, found 638.3529; mp = 173 °C. Optical rotation: [α]₂₅²⁵ +32.1° (*c* 0.01 M, MeOH).

(4*S*)-5-Oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-[({6-phenyl-4-[4-(propoxymethyl)piperidin-1-yl]pyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)-amino]pentanoic Acid (47t). General procedure J afforded 30 mg (39%) of product 47t. HRMS calcd for $C_{36}H_{52}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 666.3861, found 666.3843.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[4-(Aminomethyl)piperidin-1-yl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (47u). General procedure J afforded 109.2 mg (74%) of product 47u. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{46}N_6O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 632.3552, found 623.3549.

(4*S*)-4-{[(4-{4-[(Methylamino)methyl]piperidin-1-yl}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (47v). General procedure J afforded 40.2 mg (67%) of product 47v. HRMS calcd for $C_{34}H_{48}N_6O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 637.3708, found 637.3695.

(4*S*)-4-{[(4-{4-[(Dimethylamino)methyl]piperidin-1-yl}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]zpiperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (47w). General procedure J afforded 27.6 mg (45%) of product 47w. HRMS calcd for $C_{35}H_{50}N_6O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 651.3865, found 651.3875. $\label{eq:stars} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-5-Oxo-5-} & \textbf{(4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl]-4-[(\{6-phenyl-4-[4-(pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl]piperidin-1-yl]pyridin-2-yl]-carbonyl)amino]pentanoic Acid (47x). General procedure J afforded 84.7 mg (100%) of product 47x. HRMS calcd for C_{37}H_{52}N_6O_6~(M^+ + H)~677.4026, found~677.4036. \end{array}$

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(Hexyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-[({4-[(2-methoxyethyl)amino]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (48g). General procedure J afforded 219.7 mg (83%) of product 48g. HRMS calcd for $C_{31}H_{43}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 598.3235, found 598.3260.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(4-Aminopiperidin-1-yl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-{4-[(hexyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (48m). General procedure J afforded 18.9 mg (47%) of product 48m. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{46}N_6O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 623.3557, found 623.3551.

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(Hexyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(4-pyrrolidin-1-yl)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl} amino)-pentanoic Acid (48p). General procedure J afforded 31.4 mg (71%) of product 48p. HRMS calcd for $C_{37}H_{52}N_6O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 677.4026, found 677.3999.

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(Hexyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-[($\{4-[4-(met-hoxymethyl)piperidin-1-yl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl\}carbonyl)amino]-$ 5-oxopentanoic Acid (48s). General procedure J afforded 110 mg (48%) of product 48s. HRMS calcd for C₃₅H₄₉N₅O₇ (M⁺ + H) 652.3705, found 652.3706.

 $\label{eq:starbory} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4-[4-(Aminomethyl)piperidin-1-yl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl]amino]-5-{4-[(hexyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (48u). General procedure J afforded 150.3 mg (66%) of product 48u. HRMS calcd for C_{34}H_{48}N_6O_6\,(M^++H)\,637.3708, found 637.3723. \end{array}$

General Procedure K. Alkylation of the 4-Hydroxypyridine Intermediates 39–42. To a 2 dram vial with 4-hydroxypyridine intermediates **39–42** (0.20 mmol) dissolved in dimethylformamide (1 mL) were added cesium carbonate (0.13 g, 0.4 mmol), a catalytic amount of potassium iodide, and electrophile **49** (0.40 mmol). The mixtures were stirred at 50–100 °C for 1–16 h until judged complete. The mixtures were filtered, dried in vacuo, and purified by HPLC if necessary.

Deprotection of the *tert***-Butyl Ester Group**. A solution of 10% trifluoroacetic acid/dichloromethane solution (2.0 mL) was added to the *tert*-butyl ester (~ 0.20 mmol) and agitated on an orbital shaker or stirred at room temperature for 1–24 h. Evaporation of the solvents afforded the crude products. The products were purified by HPLC to afford pure products 50–53.

General Procedure L. Mitsunobu Reaction with 4-Hydroxypyridines 39–42. To a 2 dram vial with 4-hydroxypyridine intermediates 39–42 (0.5 mmol) dissolved in anhydrous tetrahydrofuran (2 mL) were added the alcohol 24 (1.0 mmol) and triphenylphosphine (0.26 g, 1.0 mmol). The mixtures were chilled to 5 °C, and diethylazodicarboxylate (158 μ L, 1.0 mmol) was added dropwise. The mixtures were stirred at ambient temperature for 1–24 h, solvents were evaporated, and the residue was purified by HPLC if necessary.

Deprotection of the *tert***-Butyl Ester Group**. A solution of 10% trifluoroacetic acid/dichloromethane solution (2.0 mL) was added to the *tert*-butyl ester (\sim 0.20 mmol) and agitated on an orbital shaker or stirred at room temperature for 1–24 h. Evaporation of the solvents afforded the crude products. The crude products were purified by HPLC to afford pure products 50–53.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-hydroxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (50a). General procedure B afforded 57 mg (55%) of product 50a. HRMS calcd for $C_{24}H_{28}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 485.2031, found 485.1991.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-methoxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (50b). General procedure K afforded 78 mg (73%) of product 50b. HRMS calcd for $C_{25}H_{30}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 499.2187, found 499.2198.

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(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-ethoxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (50c). General procedure K afforded 89 mg (81%) of product 50c. HRMS calcd for $C_{26}H_{32}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 513.2344, found 513.2350.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenyl-4-propoxypyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (50d). General procedure K afforded 90 mg (95%) of product 50d. HRMS calcd for $C_{27}H_{34}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 527.2500, found 527.2460.

(4*S*)-4-{[(4-Butoxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-[4-(ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (50e). General procedure K afforded 52 mg (93%) of product 50e. HRMS calcd for $C_{28}H_{36}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 541.2657, found 541.2635.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-({[4-(2-hydroxy-ethoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (50f). General procedure K afforded 93 mg (82%) of product 50f. HRMS calcd for $C_{26}H_{32}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 529.2293, found 529.2271.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-({[4-(3-hydroxypropoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (50g). General procedure K afforded 65 mg (56%) of product 50g. HRMS calcd for $C_{27}H_{34}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 543.2449, found 543.2431.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-({[4-(4-hydroxybutoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (50h). General procedure K afforded 49 mg (96%) of product 50h. HRMS calcd for $C_{28}H_{36}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 557.2606, found 557.2585.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-({[4-(2-methoxy-ethoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (50i). General procedure K afforded 86 mg (74%) of product 50i. HRMS calcd for $C_{27}H_{34}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 543.2449, found 543.2476.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-({[4-(3-methoxypropoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (50j). General procedure K afforded 80 mg (96%) of product 50j. HRMS calcd for $C_{28}H_{36}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 557.2606, found 557.2592.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(2-Aminoethoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}-amino)-5-[4-(ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (50m). General procedure K afforded 95 mg (91%) of product 50m. HRMS calcd for $C_{26}H_{33}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 528.2453, found 528.2497.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-4-yloxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoic Acid (50n). General procedure K afforded 29 mg (91%) of product 50n. HRMS calcd for $C_{29}H_{37}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 568.2766, found 568.2727.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-4-ylmethoxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoic Acid (50q). General procedure K afforded 99 mg (88%) of product 50q. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{39}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 582.2922, found 582.2894.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(Benzyloxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-[4-(ethoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (50w). General procedure K afforded 99 mg (99%) of product 50w. HRMS calcd for $C_{31}H_{34}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 575.2500, found 575.2496.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-hydroxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (51a). General procedure B afforded 41 mg (80%) of product 51a. HRMS calcd for $C_{26}H_{33}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 513.2344, found 513.2318.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-butoxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (51e). General procedure K afforded 86 mg (71%) of product 51e. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{40}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 569.2970, found 569.2990.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-({[4-(2-hydroxy-ethoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (51f). General procedure K afforded 53 mg (100%) of product 51f. HRMS calcd for $C_{28}H_{36}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 557.2606, found 557.2600.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-({[4-(3-hydroxy-propoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (51g). General procedure K afforded 38.1 mg (31%) of product 51g. HRMS calcd for $C_{29}H_{38}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 571.2762, found 571.2798.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-({[4-(4-hydroxybutoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (51h). General procedure K afforded 31.6 mg (25%) of product 51h. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{40}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 585.2919, found 585.2952.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-({[4-(2-methoxy-ethoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (51i). General procedure K afforded 17 mg (70%) of product 51i. HRMS calcd for $C_{29}H_{38}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 571.2762, found 571.2728.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-({[4-(3-methoxy-propoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (51j). General procedure K afforded 95.4 mg (55%) of product 51j. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{40}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 585.2919, found 585.2922.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-4-yloxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-pentanoic Acid (51k). General procedure L afforded 85 mg (100%) of product 51k. HRMS calcd for $C_{31}H_{40}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 597.2919, found 597.2925.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phen-yl-4-(tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-4-ylmethoxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}-amino)pentanoic Acid (511). General procedure L afforded 84 mg (100%) of product 511. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{42}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 611.3081, found 611.3052.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-4-yloxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoic Acid (51n). General procedure K afforded 34 mg (58%) of product 51n. HRMS calcd for $C_{31}H_{41}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 596.3079, found 596.3246.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-3-yloxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoic Acid (510). General procedure L afforded 63 mg (100%) of product 510. HRMS calcd for $C_{31}H_{41}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 596.3082, found 596.3075.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(pyrrolidin-3-yloxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoic Acid (51p). General procedure L afforded 33 mg (35%) of product 51p. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{39}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 582.2922, found 582.2921.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-4-ylmethoxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoic Acid (51q). General procedure K afforded 109.2 mg (85%) of product 51q. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{43}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 610.3235, found 610.3191.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-3-ylmethoxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoic Acid (51r). General procedure L afforded 118 mg (100%) of product 51r. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{43}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 610.3240, found 610.3259.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-2-ylmethoxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoic Acid (51s). General procedure L afforded 14.7 mg (81%) of product 51s. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{43}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 610.3240, found 610.3226.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(2-piperidin-4-ylethoxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoic Acid (51t). General procedure L afforded 119 mg (100%) of product 51t. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{45}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 624.3397, found 624.3410.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(2-piperidin-3-ylethoxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoic Acid (51u). General procedure L afforded 107 mg (100%) of product 51u. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{45}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 624.3392, found 624.3389.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(2-piperidin-2-ylethoxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoic Acid (51v). General procedure L afforded 112 mg (100%) of product 51v. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{45}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 624.3392, found 624.3401.

 $\label{eq:solution} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4-Hydroxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino} \\ \textbf{-5-oxo-5-} \\ \textbf{(4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid \\ \textbf{(52a)}. \\ \textbf{General procedure B afforded 52 mg (92\%) of product \\ \textbf{52a}. \\ \textbf{HRMS calcd for } C_{27}H_{34}N_4O_7 (M^+ + H) \\ \textbf{527.2500, found } \\ \textbf{527.25500.} \end{array}$

 $\label{eq:stars} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4.5)-4-} \{[\textbf{(4-Ethoxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino} \} -5-oxo-5- \{\textbf{4-}[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl\} pentanoic Acid (52c). General procedure K afforded 38 mg (32%) of product 52c. HRMS calcd for C_{29}H_{38}N_4O_7 (M^+ + H) 555.2813, found 555.2801. \end{array}$

(4*S*)-5-Oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-{[(6-phenyl-4-propoxypyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (52d). General procedure K afforded 102.6 mg (85%) of product 52d. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{40}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 569.2970, found 569.2970.

(4*S*)-4-{[(4-Butoxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (52e). General procedure K afforded 39.0 mg (95%) of product 52e. HRMS calcd for $C_{31}H_{42}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 583.3126, found 583.3118.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(2-Hydroxyethoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (52f). General procedure K afforded 64 mg (70%) of product 52f. HRMS calcd for $C_{29}H_{38}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 571.2762, found 571.2790.

 $\label{eq:states} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-4-(\{[4-(2-Methoxyethoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl\}amino)-5-oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl\}pentanoic Acid (52i). General procedure K afforded 63 mg (68%) of product 52i. HRMS calcd for <math display="inline">C_{30}H_{40}N_4O_8~(M^++H)~585.2919, found~585.2880. \end{array}$

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(2-Aminoethoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (52m). General procedure K afforded 90.1 mg (74%) of product 52m. HRMS calcd for $C_{29}H_{39}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 570.2922, found 570.2887.

(4*S*)-5-Oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-4-yloxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoic Acid (52n). General procedure K afforded 26 mg (62%) of product 52n. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{43}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 610.3235, found 610.3180.

(4*S*)-5-Oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-4-ylmethoxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-pentanoic Acid (52q). General procedure K afforded 133.5 mg (100%) of product 52q. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{45}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 624.3392, found 624.3355.

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(Hexyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-{[(4-hydroxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (53a). General procedure B afforded 45 mg (79%) of product 53a. HRMS calcd for $C_{28}H_{36}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 541.2657, found 541.2660.

(4*S*)-4-{[(4-Butoxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-{4-[(hexyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (53e). General procedure K afforded 35 mg (43%) of product 53e. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{44}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 597.3283, found 597.3283.

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(Hexyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-({[4-(2-hydro-xyethoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (53f). General procedure K afforded 46 mg (99%) of product 53f. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{40}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 585.2919, found 585.2900.

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(Hexyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-({[4-(2-methoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (53i). General procedure K afforded 13 mg (100%) of product 53i. HRMS calcd for $C_{31}H_{42}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 599.3075, found 599.3040.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(2-Aminoethoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-{4-[(hexyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (53m). General procedure K afforded 92.9 mg (75%) of product 53m. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{41}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 584.3079, found 584.3101.

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(Hexyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-4-yloxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoic Acid (53n). General procedure K afforded 22 mg (36%) of product 53n. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{45}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 624.3392, found 624.3356.

(4*S*)-5-{4-[(Hexyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-5-oxo-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-4-ylmethoxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-pentanoic Acid (53q). General procedure K afforded 73.9 mg (55%) of product 53q. HRMS calcd for $C_{34}H_{47}N_5O_7(M^+ + H)$ 638.3548, found 638.3539.

General Procedure M. Method A: Preparation of 4-Pyridinecarbamates 56 and 57. To a 2 dram vial with carbamoyl chlorides 54 (0.40 mmol) were added the 4-hydroxypyridine intermediate 40 or 41 (0.5 M in dichloromethane) (3 mL, 0.15 mmol) and triethylamine (112 uL, 0.80 mmol). The mixtures were stirred at room temperature for 18 h. If judged incomplete, the mixture continued to be stirred at 35 °C until complete. The solvents were evaporated, and if necessary the residue was purified by HPLC.

Deprotection of the *tert***-Butyl Ester Group**. A solution of 10% trifluoroacetic acid/dichloromethane solution (2.0 mL) was added to the *tert*-butyl ester (~0.15 mmol) and agitated on an orbital shaker or stirred at room temperature for 1-24 h. Evaporation of the solvents afforded the crude products. The products were purified by HPLC to afford the pure products 56–57.

General Procedure M. Method B: Preparation of 4-Carbamates 56 and 57. To a mixture of 4-hydroxypyridine intermediate 40 or 41 (2.79 g, 4.8 mmol) and triethylamine (2.04 mL, 27.8 mmol) in dichloromethane (48 mL) was added 4-nitrophenyl chloroformate 55 (1.06 g, 5.3 mmol). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. An aliquot of the 4-nitrophenylcarbonate intermediate (0.1 M reaction mixture) (2 mL, \sim 0.2 mmol) was added to a 2 dram vial with amine 44 (0.60 mmol). The mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 1 h, solvents were evaporated, and the residue was purified by HPLC if necessary.

Deprotection of the *tert***-Butyl Ester Group**. A solution of 10% trifluoroacetic acid/dichloromethane solution (2.0 mL) was added to the *tert*-butyl ester (\sim 0.22 mmol) and agitated on an orbital shaker or stirred at room temperature for 1–24 h. Evaporation of the solvents afforded the crude products. The products were purified by HPLC to afford the pure products 56 and 57.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-{[(dimethyl-amino)carbonyl]oxy}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (56a). General procedure M, method B, afforded 12.6 mg (13%) of product 56a. HRMS calcd for $C_{29}H_{37}N_5O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 584.2715, found 584.2720.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-({[4-({[methyl-(tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-ylmethyl)amino]carbonyl}oxy)-6-phenyl-pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (56b). General procedure M, method B, afforded 41.1 mg (38%) of product 56b. HRMS calcd for $C_{34}H_{45}N_5O_9$ (M⁺ + H) 668.3290, found 668.3319.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-({[4-({[methyl-(tetrahydrofuran-3-yl)amino]carbonyl}oxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (56c). General procedure M, method B, afforded 42.8 mg (41%) of product 56c. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{41}N_5O_9$ (M⁺ + H) 640.2977, found 640.2940.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-[($\{4-[(morpholin-4-ylcarbonyl)oxy]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl\}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (56f). General procedure M, method B, afforded 19.4 mg (19%) of product 56f. HRMS calcd for C₃₁H₃₉N₅O₉ (M⁺ + H) 626.2821, found 626.2820.$

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-({[4-({[(3R)-3-methoxypyrrolidin-1-yl]carbonyl}oxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}-amino)-5-oxopentanoic Acid (56g). General procedure M, method B, afforded 27.8 mg (26%) of product 56g. HRMS calcd for C₃₂H₄₁N₅O₉ (M⁺ + H) 640.2977, found 640.2971.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-{[(4-ethoxy-piperidin-1-yl)carbonyl]oxy}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (56h). General procedure M, method B, afforded 37.6 mg (34%) of product 56h. HRMS calcd for $C_{34}H_{45}N_5O_9$ (M⁺ + H) 668.3290, found 668.3249.

(4*S*)-4-{[(4-{[(Dimethylamino)carbonyl]oxy}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1yl}pentanoic Acid (57a). General procedure M, method A, afforded 23.6 mg (17%) of product 57a. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{39}N_5O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 598.2871, found 598.2846.

 $\label{eq:stars} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-4-(\{[4-(\{[Methyl(tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-ylmethyl)amino]-carbonyl\}oxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl]pentanoic Acid (57b). General procedure M, method B, afforded 36.3 mg (30%) of product$ **57b** $. HRMS calcd for C_{35}H_{47}N_5O_9\,(M^++H)\,682.3447, found 382.3448. \end{array}$

 $\label{eq:starseq} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-4-(\{[4-(\{[Methyl(tetrahydrofuran-3-yl)amino]carbonyl\} oxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy) carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl]pentanoic Acid (57c). General procedure M, method B, afforded 48.8 mg (42%) of product 57c. HRMS calcd for C_{33}H_{43}N_5O_9~(M^+ + H)~654.3134, found 654.3130. \end{array}$

(4*S*)-5-Oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-[({6-phenyl-4-[(pyrrolidin-1-ylcarbonyl)oxy]pyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino] pentanoic Acid (57d). General procedure M, method A, afforded 60.9 mg (41%) of product 57d. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{41}N_5O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 624.3028, found 624.3063.

(4*S*)-5-Oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-[({6-phenyl-4-[(piperidin-1-ylcarbonyl)oxy]pyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-pentanoic Acid (57e). General procedure M, method A, afforded 46.2 mg (31%) of product 57e. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{43}N_5O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 638.3184, found 631.3191.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[(Morpholin-4-ylcarbonyl)oxy]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (57f). General procedure M, method A, afforded 83.9 mg (56%) of product 57f. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{41}N_5O_9$ (M⁺ + H) 640.2977, found 640.2988.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-({[(3*S*)-3-Methoxypyrrolidin-1-yl]carbonyl}oxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (57g). General procedure M, method A, afforded 37.1 mg (32%) of product 57g. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{43}N_5O_9$ (M⁺ + H) 654.3134, found 654.3114.

(4.5)-4-{[(4-{[(4-Ethoxypiperidin-1-yl)carbonyl]oxy}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (57h). General procedure M, method B, afforded 27.3 mg (23%) of product 57h. HRMS calcd for $C_{35}H_{47}N_5O_9$ (M⁺ + H) 682.3447, found 682.3453.

Butyl 4-[(2S)-2-({[4-({1-[(Benzyloxy)carbonyl]piperidin-4-yl}oxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-*tert*-butoxy-5-oxopentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate (60). General procedure L afforded 1.5 g (77%) of product 60. MS (ESI+) *m/z* 786 (M + H).

Pentyl 4-[(2*S*)-2-({[4-({1-[(Benzyloxy)carbonyl]piperidin-4-y]}oxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl} amino)-5-*tert*-butoxy-5-oxopentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate (61). General procedure L afforded 287 mg (72%) of product 61. HRMS calcd for C₄₄-H₅₇N₅O₉ (M⁺ + H) 800.4227, found 800.4224.

Butyl 4-[(2*S*)-2-({[4-({1-[(Benzyloxy)carbonyl]piperidin-4-yl}methoxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-*tert*-butoxy-5oxopentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate (62). General procedure L afforded 1.0 g (52%) of product 62. MS (ESI+) m/z 800 (M + H). Pentyl 4-[(2*S*)-2-({[4-({1-[(Benzyloxy)carbonyl]piperidin-4-yl}oxy)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-*tert*-butoxy-5-oxopentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate (63). General procedure L afforded 1.33 g (77%) of product 63. HRMS calcd for $C_{45}H_{59}$ -N₅O₉ (M⁺ + H) 814.4386, found 814.4393.

Butyl 4-[(2S)-5-*tert*-Butoxy-5-oxo-2-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-4-yloxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoyl]piperazine-1carboxylate (64). General procedure H afforded 1.2 g (98%) of product 64. MS (ESI+) *m*/*z* 652 (M + H).

Pentyl 4-[(2*S*)-5-*tert*-Butoxy-5-oxo-2-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-4-yloxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate (65). General procedure H afforded 196 mg (82%) of product 65. HRMS calcd for $C_{36}H_{51}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 666.3861, found 666.3881.

Butyl 4-[(2S)-5-*tert*-Butoxy-5-oxo-2-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-4-ylmethoxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate (66). General procedure H afforded 830 mg (100%) of product 66. MS (ESI+) m/z 666 (M + H).

Pentyl 4-[(2*S*)-5-*tert*-Butoxy-5-oxo-2-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-4-ylmethoxy)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)pentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate (67). General procedure H afforded 507 mg (55%) of product 67. HRMS calcd for $C_{37}H_{53}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 680.4018, found 680.4305.

General Procedure N. Reaction of Amines 64–67 with Electrophiles 68 To Afford Products 69–72. A solution of the amine 64–67 (0.15 M in dichloromethane or dimethylformamide) (1 mL, 0.15 mmol) was added to each reaction well containing the electrophile 68 (0.30 mmol) (which included alkyl halides, chloroformates, acid chlorides, and sulfonyl chlorides). Triethylamine or *N*-methylmorpholine (0.75 mmol) and dichloromethane or dimethyl formamide (2 mL) were added to each reaction well. Mixtures in dichloromethane were agitated for 1 to several hours. The product mixtures were evaporated to afford the *tert*-butyl ester product.

Deprotection of the *tert***-Butyl Ester Group**. A solution of 10% trifluoroacetic acid/dichloromethane solution (1.5 mL) was added to the *tert*-butyl ester (~0.15 mmol) and agitated on an orbital shaker or stirred at room temperature for 1-24 h. Evaporation of the solvents afforded the crude products. The products were purified by HPLC to afford pure products 69-72.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-[({4-[(1-methyl-piperidin-4-yl)oxy]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (69a). General procedure N afforded 90 mg (92%) of product 69a. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.89 (t, 3H, J = 7.50 Hz), 1.25–1.40 (m, 3H), 1.48–1.61 (m, 3H), 1.77–2.39 (m, 13H), 2.79 (s, 3H), 3.40–3.73 (m, 6H), 5.04 (s, 1H), 7.38–7.65 (m, 4H), 7.73 (d, 1H, J = 16.84 Hz), 8.20 (d, 2H, J = 7.32 Hz), 8.97 (d, 1H, J = 8.05 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₂H₄₃N₅O₇ (M⁺ + H) 610.3240, found 610.3195.

(4.S)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-[($\{4-[(1-isopro-pylpiperidin-4-yl)oxy]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl\}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (69b). General procedure N afforded 28 mg (72%) of product 69b. HRMS calcd for C₃₄H₄₇N₅O₇ (M⁺ + H) 638.3548, found 638.3507.$

 $\label{eq:started} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-{[[1-(2-methoxyethyl)piperidin-4-yl]oxy}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]-amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (69c). General procedure N afforded 41 mg (83%) of product 69c. HRMS calcd for C_{34}-H_{47}N_5O_8 (M^+ + H) 654.3497, found 654.3498. \end{array}$

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[(1-Acetylpiperidin-4-yl)oxy]-6-phenylpyridin-2yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-[4-(butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (69d). General procedure N afforded 113 mg (100%) of product 69d. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.88 (t, 3H, J = 7.32 Hz), 1.26–1.41 (m, 2H) 1.47–1.76 (m, 6H), 1.76–2.13 (m, 9H), 2.24–2.39 (m, 2H), 3.36–3.76 (m, 8H), 3.84 (s, 1H), 5.03 (s, 1H), 7.41–7.64 (m, 4H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, 2H, J = 8.05 Hz), 8.96 (d, 1H, J = 8.05 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₃H₄₃N₅O₈ (M⁺ + H) 638.3190, found 638.3174. (4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenyl-4-{[1-(trifluoroacetyl)piperidin-4-yl]oxy}pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (69e). General procedure N afforded 101 mg (100%) of product 69e. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.89 (t, 3H, J = 7.32 Hz), 1.26–1.40 (m, 2H), 1.48–1.61 (m, 3H), 1.69–1.95 (m, 4H), 2.07 (d, 4H, J = 9.52 Hz), 2.23–2.39 (m, 2H), 3.36–3.92 (m, 1 H), 4.01 (t, H, J = 6.41 Hz), 4.92–5.22 (m, 1H), 7.37–7.66 (m, 4H), 7.72 (d, 1H, J = 1.83 Hz), 8.20 (d, 2H, J = 7.32 Hz), 8.96 (d, 1H, J = 8.05 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₃H₄₀F₃N₅O₈ (M⁺ + H) 692.2907, found 692.2881.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-{[1-(methoxyacetyl)piperidin-4-yl]oxy}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (69f). General procedure N afforded 86 mg (100%) of product 69f. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.88 (t, 3H, J = 7.32 Hz), 1.26–1.42 (m, 3H), 1.48–1.77 (m, 7H), 1.79–2.15 (m, 7H), 2.23–2.40 (m, 3H), 3.36–3.73 (m, 7H), 3.78–3.93 (m, 1H), 4.01 (t, 2H, J = 6.59 Hz), 4.10 (s, 3H), 5.04 (s, 1H), 7.39–7.63 (m, 4H), 7.71 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, 2H, J = 7.69 Hz), 8.96 (d, 1H, J = 8.05 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₄H₄₅N₅O₉ (M⁺ + H) 668.3290, found 668.3272.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-{[1-(ethoxycarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]oxy}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (69g). General procedure N afforded 121 mg (100%) of product 69g. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.89 (t, 3H, J = 7.32 Hz), 1.19 (t, 3H, J =7.14 Hz), 1.26–1.44 (m, 2H), 1.49–1.72 (m, 6H), 1.76–2.16 (m, 6H), 2.22–2.41 (m, 3H), 3.37–3.82 (m, 8H), 3.95–4.12 (m, 4H), 4.90–5.14 (m, 1H), 7.37–7.60 (m, 4H), 7.70 (d, 1H, J = 2.20 Hz), 8.20 (d, 2H, J = 7.32 Hz), 8.96 (d, 1H, J = 8.05Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₄H₄₅N₅O₉ (M⁺ + H) 668.3295, found 668.3322.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-{[1-(ethyl-sulfonyl)piperidin-4-yl]oxy}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]-amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (69h). General procedure N afforded 82 mg (100%) of product 69h. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.89 (t, 3H, J = 7.32 Hz), 1.15–1.42 (m, 6H), 1.50–1.61 (m, 3H), 1.66–2.17 (m, 8H), 2.2–2.41 (m, 3H), 3.09 (q, 2H, J = 7.32 Hz), 3.36–3.78 (m, 8H), 4.01 (t, 2H, J = 6.41 Hz), 4.89–5.13 (m, 1H), 7.35–7.61 (m, 4H), 7.71 (d, 1H, J = 1.83 Hz), 8.20 (d, 2H, J = 7.32 Hz), 8.96 (d, 1H, J = 8.05 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₃H₄₅N₅O₉S (M⁺ + H) 688.3016, found 688.3040.

 $\label{eq:linear} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-4-[(\{4-[(1-Methylpiperidin-4-yl)oxy]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl\}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl]pentanoic Acid (70a). General procedure N afforded 36 mg (88%) of product 70a. HRMS calcd for <math display="inline">C_{33}H_{45}N_5O_7\,(M^++H)$ 624.3392, found 624.3416.

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-4-[(\{4-[(1-Isopropylpiperidin-4-yl)oxy]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl\}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl]pentanoic Acid (70b). General procedure N afforded 43 mg (83%) of product 70b. HRMS calcd for <math display="inline">C_{35}H_{49}N_5O_7\,(M^++H)\,652.3705,\,found\,652.3724. \end{array}$

(4*S*)-4-{[(4-{[1-(2-Methoxyethyl)piperidin-4-yl]oxy}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (70c). General procedure N afforded 19 mg (79%) of product 70c. HRMS calcd for $C_{35}H_{50}$ -N₅O₈ (M⁺ + H) 668.3654, found 668.3632.

 $(4S)-4-[(\{4-[(1-Acetylpiperidin-4-yl)oxy]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl\}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl\}pentanoic Acid (70d). General procedure N afforded 20 mg (18%) of product 70d. HRMS calcd for <math>C_{34}H_{45}N_5O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 652.3341, found 652.3336.

(4*S*)-5-Oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-{[(6-phenyl-4-{[1-(trifluoroacetyl)piperidin-4-yl]oxy}pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (70e). General procedure N afforded 85 mg (100%) of product 70e. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.87 (t, 3H, J = 6.77 Hz), 1.19–1.37 (m, 5H), 1.50–1.64 (m, 2H), 1.67–1.94 (m, 4H), 1.99–2.18 (m, 4H), 2.22–2.40 (m, 2H), 3.36–3.72 (m, 8H), 3.86 (s, 2H), 4.00 (t, 2H, J = 6.41 Hz), 4.94–5.21 (m, 1H), 7.41–7.66 (m, 4H), 7.72 (d, 1H, J = 1.83

Hz), 8.20 (d, 2H, J = 6.95 Hz), 8.97 (d, 1H, J = 8.05 Hz); HRMS calcd for $C_{34}H_{42}F_3N_5O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 706.3063, found 706.3056.

 $\label{eq:started} \begin{array}{l} (4S)-4-\{[(4-\{[1-(Methoxyacetyl)piperidin-4-yl]oxy\}-6-phenyl-pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino\}-5-oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]-piperazin-1-yl\}pentanoic Acid (70f). General procedure N afforded 80 mg (91%) of product 70f. HRMS calcd for C_{35}H_{47}N_5O_9\,(M^++H)\,682.3447, found\,682.3485. \end{array}$

 $\label{eq:starseq} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4.S)-4-\{[(4-\{[1-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]oxy\}-6-phenyl-pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl]amino}-5-oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]-piperazin-1-yl]pentanoic Acid (70g). General procedure N afforded 120 mg (90%) of product 70g. HRMS calcd for C_{35}H_{47}N_5O_9 (M^+ + H) 682.3447, found 682.3430. \end{array}$

(4.5)-4-{[(4-{[1-(Ethylsulfonyl)piperidin-4-yl]oxy}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1yl}pentanoic Acid (70h). General procedure N afforded 113 mg (100%) of product 70h. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.86 (t, 3H, J =6.41 Hz), 1.13–1.36 (m, 9H), 1.49–1.64 (m, 3H), 1.68–1.94 (m, 5H), 2.06 (d, 5H, J = 7.69 Hz), 2.21–2.37 (m, 4H), 3.08 (q, 1H, J = 7.32 Hz), 3.36–3.73 (m, 5H), 4.00 (t, 2H, J = 6.59 Hz), 4.90–5.11 (m, 1H), 7.36–7.61 (m, 4H), 7.71 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, 2H, J = 7.69 Hz), 8.96 (d, 1H, J = 8.05 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₄H₄₇N₅O₉S (M⁺ + H) 702.3167, found 702.3152.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-[({4-[(1-methyl-piperidin-4-yl)methoxy]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (71a). General procedure N afforded 61 mg (87%) of product 71a. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.88 (t, 3H, J = 7.32 Hz), 1.24–1.43 (m, 2H), 1.45–1.71 (m, 6H), 1.74–2.18 (m, 7H), 2.21–2.42 (m, 3H), 2.73 (s, 3H), 2.97 (s, 1H), 3.37–3.76 (m, 5H), 4.01 (t, 2H, J = 6.59 Hz), 4.09–4.40 (m, 3H), 4.98–5.16 (m, 1H), 7.39–7.61 (m, 4H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, 2H, J = 7.69 Hz), 8.97 (d, 1H, J = 8.05 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₃H₄₅N₅O₇ (M⁺ + H) 624.3392, found 624.3365.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-[($\{4-[(1-isopropyl-piperidin-4-yl])$ methoxy]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxopentanoic Acid (71b). General procedure N afforded 18 mg (93%) of product 71b. HRMS calcd for C₃₅H₄₉N₅O₇ (M⁺ + H) 652.3705, found 652.3701.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-{[1-(2-methoxyethyl)piperidin-4-yl]methoxy}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (71c). General procedure N afforded 25 mg (93%) of product 71c. HRMS calcd for $C_{35}H_{49}N_5O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 668.3654, found 668.3653.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[(1-Acetylpiperidin-4-yl)methoxy]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-[4-(butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5oxopentanoic Acid (71d). General procedure N afforded 49 mg (89%) of product 71d. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.89 (t, 3H, J = 7.32 Hz), 1.06–1.44 (m, 6H), 1.46–1.69 (m, 2H), 1.68– 2.17 (m, 9H), 2.24–2.42 (m, 2H), 2.58 (s, 1H), 3.07 (s, 1H), 3.36–3.73 (m, 5H), 3.83 (s, 1H), 4.01 (t, 2H, J = 6.59 Hz), 4.12 (d, 2H, J = 6.59 Hz), 4.40 (d, 1H, J = 12.08 Hz), 4.95– 5.13 (m, 1H), 7.39–7.60 (m, 4H), 7.68 (d, 1H, J = 2.20Hz), 8.21 (d, 2, H, J = 6.96 Hz), 8.96 (d, 1H, J = 8.05 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₄H₄₅N₅O₈ (M⁺ + H) 652.3347, found 652.3367.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-5-oxo-4-{[(6-phenyl-4-{[1-(trifluoroacetyl)piperidin-4-yl]methoxy}pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (71e). General procedure N afforded 86 mg (100%) of product 71e. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.88 (t, 3H, J = 7.50 Hz), 1.12–1.44 (m, 6H), 1.42–1.65 (m, 2H), 1.68–2.41 (m, 10H), 2.84–3.08 (m, 1H), 3.37–3.76 (m, 4H), 3.79–4.09 (m, 3H), 4.15 (d, 2H, J = 6.22 Hz), 4.94–5.11 (m, 1H), 7.42–7.59 (m, 4H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, 2H, J = 7.69 Hz), 8.96 (d, 1H, J = 8.05 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₄H₄₂F₃N₅O₈ (M⁺ + H) 706.3058, found 706.3070.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-{[1-(methoxy-acetyl)piperidin-4-yl]methoxy}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]-amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (71f). General procedure N afforded 78 mg (100%) of product 71f. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.88 (t, 3H, J = 7.50 Hz), 1.00–1.40 (m, 7H), 1.43–1.65 (m, 2H), 1.66–1.92 (m, 5H), 1.95–2.17 (m, 2H), 2.18–2.39 (m,

3H), 2.63 (s, 1H), 3.01 (s, 1H), 3.35-3.71 (m, 4H), 3.79 (s, 1H), 3.85-4.23 (m, 7H), 4.34 (s, 1H), 5.03 (d, 1H, J = 3.29 Hz), 7.35-7.61 (m, 4H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, 2H, J = 7.69 Hz), 8.96 (d, 1H, J = 8.05 Hz); HRMS calcd for $C_{35}H_{47}N_5O_9$ (M⁺ + H) 682.3452, found 682.3430.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-{[1-(ethoxycarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]methoxy}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (71g). General procedure N afforded 97 mg (96%) of product 71g. 1H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.89 (t, 3H, J = 7.32 Hz), 1.08–1.45 (m, 6H), 1.44–1.63 (m, 2H), 1.68–2.43 (m, 10H), 2.71–2.90 (m, 1H), 2.91–3.06 (m, 1 H), 3.36–3.77 (m, 5H), 3.89 (s, 1H), 3.95–4.08 (m, 4H), 4.07–4.22 (m, 3H), 4.33 (d, 1H, J = 13.18 Hz), 4.96–5.12 (m, 1H), 7.40–7.60 (m, 4H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 8.20 (d, 2H, J = 7.32 Hz), 8.96 (d, 1H, J = 8.05 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₅H₄₇N₅O₉ (M⁺ + H) 682.3452, found 682.3433.

(4*S*)-5-[4-(Butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl]-4-{[(4-{[1-(ethyl-sulfonyl)piperidin-4-yl]methoxy}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxopentanoic Acid (71h). General procedure N afforded 52 mg (100%) of product 71h. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.89 (t, 3H, J = 7.32 Hz), 1.21 (t, 4H, J = 7.50 Hz), 1.26–1.46 (m, 6H), 1.49–1.64 (m, 2H), 1.78–2.17 (m, 6H), 2.23–2.40 (m, 2H), 2.85 (t, 2H, J = 11.16 Hz), 3.03 (q, 2H, J = 7.32 Hz), 3.37–3.78 (m, 6H), 4.01 (t, 2H, J = 6.41 Hz), 4.15 (d, 2H, J = 6.22 Hz), 4.94–5.19 (m, 1H), 7.42–7.57 (m, 4H), 7.68 (d, 1H, J = 1.83 Hz), 8.21 (d, 2H, J = 6.95 Hz), 8.97 (d, 1H, J = 8.05 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₄H₄₇N₅O₉S (M⁺ + H) 702.3173, found 702.3176.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[(1-Methylpiperidin-4-yl)methoxy]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (72a). General procedure N afforded 26 mg (19%) of product 72a. HRMS calcd for $C_{34}H47N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 638.3548, found 638.3530.

 $\label{eq:solution} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-4-[(\{4-[(1-Isopropylpiperidin-4-yl)methoxy]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl\}carbonyl]amino]-5-oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]-piperazin-1-yl\}pentanoic Acid (72b). General procedure N afforded 52 mg (93%) of product 72b. HRMS calcd for C_{36}H_{52}N_5O_7 (M^+ + H) 666.3861, found 666.3864. \end{array}$

 $\label{eq:stars} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-4-\{[(4-\{[1-(2-Methoxyethyl)piperidin-4-yl]methoxy\}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino\}-5-oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy)-carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl\}pentanoic Acid (72c). General procedure N afforded 53 mg (91%) of product 72c. HRMS calcd for C_{36}H_{52}N_5O_8~(M^++H)~682.3810, found~682.3833. \end{array}$

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[(1-Acetylpiperidin-4-yl)methoxy]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (72d). General procedure N afforded 53 mg (84%) of product 72d. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.87 (t, 3H, J = 6.77 Hz), 1.04–1.39 (m, 8H), 1.49–1.64 (m, 3H), 1.73–1.94 (m, 4H), 1.95–2.15 (m, 5H), 2.24–2.40 (m, 2H), 2.55–2.67 (m, 1H), 3.07 (s, 1H), 3.65 (s, 4H), 3.85 (d, 1H, J = 13.91 Hz), 4.00 (t, 2H, J = 6.59 Hz), 4.13 (d, 2H, J = 6.59 Hz), 4.40 (d, 1H, J = 12.45 Hz), 4.95–5.12 (m, 1H), 7.37–7.62 (m, 4H), 7.68 (d, 1H, J = 2.20 Hz), 8.21 (d, 2H, J = 6.96 Hz), 8.97 (d, 1H, J = 8.05 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₅H₄₇N₅O₈ (M⁺ + H) 666.3503, found 666.3560.

(4*S*)-5-Oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-{[(6-phenyl-4-{[1-(trifluoroacetyl)piperidin-4-yl]methoxy}pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoic Acid (72e). General procedure N afforded 39 mg (74%) of product 72e. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.87 (t, 3H, J = 6.77 Hz), 1.20–1.45 (m, 8H), 1.49–1.66 (m, 3H), 1.78–2.40 (m, 9H), 2.97 (s, 1H), 3.65 (s, 4H), 3.91 (d, 1H, J = 13.18 Hz), 4.00 (t, 2H, J = 6.59 Hz), 4.15 (d, 2H, J = 6.22 Hz), 4.33 (d, 1H, J = 12.81 Hz), 4.94–5.14 (m, 1H), 7.41–7.62 (m, 4H), 7.68 (d, 1H, J = 2.20 Hz), 8.21 (d, 2H, J = 6.96 Hz), 8.97 (d, 1H, J = 8.42 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₅H₄₄F₃N₅O₈ (M⁺ + H) 720.3220, found 720.3201.

 $\label{eq:starset} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-4-} [(4-\{[1-(Methoxyacetyl)piperidin-4-yl]methoxy\}-6-phenyl-pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]-piperazin-1-yl\}pentanoic Acid (72f). General procedure N afforded 88 mg (100%) of product 72f. HRMS calcd for C_{36}H_{50}N_5O_9 (M^+ + H) 696.3603, found 696.3631. \end{array}$

(4*S*)-4-{[(4-{[1-(Ethoxycarbonyl)piperidin-4-yl]methoxy}-6phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (72g). General procedure N afforded 104 mg (100%) of product 72g. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.87 (t, 3H, J = 6.59 Hz), 1.09–1.38 (m, 11H), 1.50–1.64 (m, 2H), 1.70–2.14 (m, 7H), 2.24–2.39 (m, 2H), 2.83 (s, 2H), 3.40–3.71 (m, 4H), 3.94–4.22 (m, 8H), 4.92–5.15 (m, 1H), 7.36–7.59 (m, 4H), 7.67 (d, 1H, J =2.20 Hz), 8.20 (d, 2H, J = 7.32 Hz), 8.96 (d, 1H, J = 8.05 Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₆H₄₉N₅O₉ (M⁺ + H) 696.3608, found 696.3634.

(4*S*)-4-{[(4-{[1-(Ethylsulfonyl)piperidin-4-yl]methoxy}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (72h). General procedure N afforded 86 mg (100%) of product 72h. ¹H NMR (DMSO- d_6) δ 0.87 (t, 3H, J = 6.59 Hz), 1.08–1.44 (m, 11H), 1.46–1.65 (m, 2H), 1.70–2.13 (m, 7H), 2.20–2.40 (m, 2H), 2.85 (t, 2H, J = 11.35 Hz), 3.03 (q, 2H, J = 7.32 Hz), 3.36–3.77 (m, 7H), 4.00 (t, 2H, J = 6.41 Hz), 4.15 (d, 2H, J = 6.59 Hz), 4.88–5.18 (m, 1H), 7.38–7.59 (m, 4H), 7.68 (d, 1H, J = 2.20 Hz), 8.21 (d, 2H, J = 7.32 Hz), 8.97 (d, 1H, J = 8.05Hz); HRMS calcd for C₃₅H₄₉N₅O₉S (M⁺ + H) 716.3329, found 716.3333.

Pentyl 4-[(2S)-2-{[(4-Amino-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-tert-butoxy-5-oxopentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate (73). To a mixture of 4-azido-6-phenylpyridine-2-carboxylic acid 31 (4.79 g, 19.9 mmol), hydroxybenzotriazole (2.90 g, 21.5 mmol), and N-methylmorpholine (6.36 mL, 57.8 mmol) dissolved in DMF (160 mL) were added pentyl (S)-4-(2-amino-4-tert-butoxycarbonylbutyryl)piperazine-1-carboxylate 38c (7.67 g, 19.9 mmol) and 1-ethyl-3-[3-(dimethylamino)propyl]carbodiimide hydrochloride (5.8 g, 30.2 mmol). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 23 h and then diluted with ethyl acetate (140 mL) and water (140 mL). The aqueous phase was extracted with ethyl acetate $(1 \times 100 \text{ mL})$ and the combined organics were washed with aqueous saturated NaHCO₃ (1×100 mL), brine ($1 \times$ 75 mL), dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered, and concentrated to provide the crude product. The residue was dissolved in methanol (250 mL), and the reaction vessel was flushed with N_{2(g)}. Then 10% Pd/C (50% water-wet, 2.07 g, 0.97 mmol) was added to the solution, and the reaction vessel was flushed with $N_{2(g)}$ and then $H_{2(g)}$. The mixture was stirred for 19 h under a balloon of $H_{2(g)}$. The mixture was filtered through a pad of Celite, and the filtrate and cake rinses were dried in vacuo. The crude residue was purified on silica gel (50-80% ethyl acetate:hexanes) to afford 7.26 g (55% yield) of product 73. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.86-0.97 (m, 3H), 1.28-1.41 (m, 4H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.57-1.71 (m, 2H), 1.86-2.01 (m, 1H), 2.09-2.24 (m, 1H), 2.27-2.51 (m, 2H), 3.37-3.81 (m, 8H), 4.10 (t, 2H, J = 6.71 Hz), 4.44 (s, 2H), 5.15-5.26 (m, 1H), 7.06 (d, 1H, J = 2.15 Hz), 7.37-7.53 (m, 4H),7.97-8.03 (m, 2H), 8.92 (d, 1H, J = 8.86 Hz); HRMS calcd for $C_{31}H_{44}N_5O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 582.3286, found 582.3273.

General Procedure O. Preparation of 4-Amide Pyridine Products 75. To a solution of pentyl 4-[(2*S*)-2-{[(4-amino-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-*tert*-butoxy-5-oxopentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate 73 (116 mg, 0.20 mmol) in ethyl acetate (1.5 mL) were added the carboxylic acid 74 (0.28 mmol), 1-methylimidazole (128 μ L, 1.56 mmol), and propylphosphonic anhydride (50% in EtOAc) (298 μ L, 0.5 mmol). The mixtures were stirred at 55 °C for 1–16 h, cooled to room temperature, and diluted with water (1 mL) and dichloromethane (2 mL). The phases were partitioned, the organic solvents were evaporated, and if necessary, the residue was purified by HPLC.

Deprotection of the *tert***-Butyl Ester Group**. A solution of 10% trifluoroacetic acid/dichloromethane solution (1.5 mL) was added to the *tert*-butyl ester (\sim 0.20 mmol) and agitated on an orbital shaker or stirred at room temperature for 1–24 h. Evaporation of the solvents afforded the crude products. The products were purified by HPLC to afford pure products 75.

General Procedure P. Preparation of 4-Urea and 4-Carbamate Pyridine Products 76 and 77. A solution of pentyl 4-[(2S)-2-{[(4amino-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-*tert*-butoxy-5oxopentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate 73 (58 mg, 0.10 mmol) and pyridine (91 uL, 1.12 mmol) in dichloromethane (2.0 mL) was chilled to 0 °C. Bis(trichloromethyl)carbonate 22 (0.1 M in DCM) (1 mL, 0.1 mmol) was added, the mixture was stirred for 1 min, and the reaction mixture was added to a chilled solution of amine 44 or alcohol 24 (0.75 mmol) in dichloromethane (1.0 mL). The mixtures were stirred at ambient temperature for 0.5–16 h, the solvents were evaporated, and if necessary, the residue was purified by HPLC.

Deprotection of the *tert***-Butyl Ester Group**. A solution of 10% trifluoroacetic acid/dichloromethane solution (1.5 mL) was added to the *tert*-butyl ester (\sim 0.10 mmol) and agitated on an orbital shaker or stirred at room temperature for 1–24 h. Evaporation of the solvents afforded the crude products. The products were purified by HPLC to afford pure products 76 or 77.

Pentyl 4-[(2S)-5-tert-Butoxy-5-oxo-2-{[(6-phenyl-4-{[(trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl]oxy}pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate (78). A solution of pentyl 4-((2S)-5-tertbutoxy-2-{[(4-hydroxy-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5oxopentanoyl)piperazine-1-carboxylate 43c (13.0 g, 22.3 mmol) was dissolved in pyridine (90 mL), and the solution was chilled in an ice bath. Triflic anhydride (11.55 mL, 68.6 mmol) was added slowly, keeping the temperature below 20 °C. The solvent was reduced in vacuo and the residue dissolved in ethyl acetate. The solids were removed by vacuum filtration, and the filtrate was purified on silica gel (30-70% ethyl acetate:hexanes) to afford 12.4 g (78%) of product 78. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.85–0.95 (m, 3H), 1.28-1.39 (m, 4H), 1.43 (s, 9H), 1.57-1.70 (m, 2H), 1.84-1.99 (m, 1H), 2.09-2.23 (m, 1H), 2.27-2.48 (m, 2H), 3.38-3.79 (m, 8H) 4.09 (t, 2H, J = 6.71 Hz), 5.14-5.28 (m, 1H), 7.48-7.57 (m, 3H), 7.75 (d, 1H, J = 2.42 Hz), 8.00 (d, 1H, J = 2.15 Hz), 8.05 (dd, 2H, J = 7.79, 1.61 Hz), 8.87 (d, 1H, J =8.32 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ppm -73.08 (s).

2-((4-Carboxy-1-oxo-1-(4-(pentyloxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl)butan-2-yl)carbamoyl)-6-phenylisonicotinic Acid (79). A solution of pentyl 4-[(2S)-5-tert-butoxy-5-oxo-2-{[(6-phenyl-4-{[(trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl]oxy}pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate 78 (~9.4 mmol) in DMSO (100 mL) was added to Pd(PPh₃)₄ (2.68 g, 2.3 mmol) and triethylamine (9.16 mL, 66 mmol) under an inert atmosphere. The reaction solution was evacuated and flushed with $N_{2(g)}$ and then with $CO_{(g)}$. The mixture was stirred under a $CO_{(g)}$ balloon at 60 °C for 27 h and then was diluted with dichloromethane (200 mL) and washed with HCl (1 N in water) (1 \times 200 mL). The aqueous phase was extracted with dichloromethane (150 mL) and the combined organics were washed with brine (200 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered, concentrated, and purified by reverse-phase HPLC (30-95% acetonitrile/water gradient with 0.1% TFA modifier) to afford 4.58 g (53% yield) of 75% pure product **79**. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.87–0.98 (m, 3H), 1.29–1.43 (m, 4H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.60-1.72 (m, 2H), 1.93-2.08 (m, 1H), 2.15-2.28 (m, 1H), 2.33-2.56 (m, 2H), 3.42-3.90 (m, 8H), 4.13 (t, 2H, J = 6.71 Hz), 5.25-5.37 (m, 1H), 7.41-7.54 (m, 3H),8.03-8.11 (m, 2H), 8.36 (d, 1H, J = 1.34 Hz), 8.62 (d, 1H, J =1.34 Hz), 8.96 (d, 1H, J = 8.32 Hz); HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{43}N_4O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 611.3075, found 611.3089.

General Procedure Q. Preparation of 4-Carboxamide Pyridine Compounds 80. A solution of 2-((4-carboxy-1-oxo-1-(4-(pentyloxycarbonyl)piperazin-1-yl)butan-2-yl)carbamoyl)-6-phenylisonicotinic acid 79 (3.6 g, 6 mmol), 1-hydroxybenzotriazole (0.2 g, 1.48 mmol), and *N*-methylmorpholine (1.8 mL, 18 mmol) in dichloromethane (96 mL) was aliquoted (1 mL per well) between 96 1-dram vials containing PS-carbodiimide 6 (~0.10 mmol per well). The mixtures were agitated for 10 min, and then amines 44 (0.09 mmol) were added to the vials. The mixtures were agitated at room temperature for 12-72 h. The reaction mixtures were filtered and filtrates evaporated to afford the *tert*-butyl ester intermediates.

Deprotection of the *tert***-Butyl Ester Group.** A solution of 15% trifluoroacetic acid/dichloromethane (0.65 mL) was added to each *tert*-butyl ester (\sim 0.063 mmol) and agitated on an orbital shaker or stirred at room temperature for 16 h. Purification by HPLC provided the desired pure products **80**.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(Aminocarbonyl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (80a). General procedure Q afforded 15.5 mg (14%) of product 80a. HRMS calcd for $C_{28}H_{35}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 554.2615, found 554.2606.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[(Methylamino)carbonyl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (80b). General procedure Q afforded 42 mg (37%) of product 80b. HRMS calcd for $C_{29}H_{37}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 568.2771, found 568.2775.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[(Ethylamino)carbonyl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (80c). General procedure Q afforded 18.3 mg (16%) of product 80c. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{39}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 582.2928, found 582.2953.

(4S)-5-Oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-[({6-phenyl-4-[(propylamino)carbonyl]pyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-pentanoic Acid (80d). General procedure Q afforded 22.7 mg (45%) of product 80d. HRMS calcd for $C_{31}H_{41}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 596.3084, found 596.3115.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[(Dimethylamino)carbonyl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (80e). General procedure Q afforded 50.1 mg (43%) of product 80e. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{39}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 582.2928, found 582.2913.

 $\label{eq:solution} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-4-} [[\textbf{(4-}[Ethyl(methyl)amino]carbonyl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxo-5- \{\textbf{4-}[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl]pentanoic Acid (80f). General procedure Q afforded 25.7 mg (42%) of product 80f. HRMS calcd for C_{31}H_{41}N_5O_7(M^+ + H) 596.3084, found 596.3046. \end{array}$

 $\label{eq:starsest} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-4-{[(4-{[Butyl(methyl)amino]carbonyl}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]pipera-zin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (80g). General procedure Q afforded 19.5 mg (52%) of product 80g. HRMS calcd for C_{33}H_{45}N_5O_7 (M^+ + H) 624.3397, found 624.3412. \end{array}$

 $\label{eq:starseq} \begin{array}{l} \textbf{(4S)-4-} [(4-\{[(2-Methoxyethyl)amino]carbonyl\}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl\}pentanoic Acid (80h). General procedure Q afforded 25.4 mg (39%) of product 80h. HRMS calcd for C_{31}H_{41}N_5O_8 (M^+ + H) 612.3033, found 612.3063. \end{array}$

(4*S*)-4-{[(4-{[(3-Methoxypropyl)amino]carbonyl}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (80i). General procedure Q afforded 19.3 mg (31%) of product 80i. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{43}N_5O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 626.3190, found 626.3193.

(4*S*)-5-Oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-[({6-phenyl-4-[(tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-4-ylamino)carbonyl]pyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]pentanoic Acid (80j). General procedure Q afforded 15.5 mg (42%) of product 80j. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{43}N_5O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 638.3190, found 638.3191.

 $\label{eq:started} \begin{array}{l} (4S)-4-\{[(4-\{[(3-Methoxypropyl)(methyl)amino]carbonyl\}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino\}-5-oxo-5-\{4-[(pentyloxy)-carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl\}pentanoic Acid (80k). General procedure Q afforded 23.3 mg (42%) of product 80k. HRMS calcd for <math display="inline">C_{33}H_{45}N_5O_8~(M^++H)~640.3347,~found~640.3323. \end{array}$

(4*S*)-4-({[4-({[3-(Dimethylamino)propyl](methyl)amino}carbonyl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyl-oxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (801). General procedure Q afforded 31 mg (55%) of product 801. HRMS calcd for $C_{34}H_{48}N_6O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 653.3663, found 653.3646.

(4*S*)-4-{[(4-{[Methyl(1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)amino]carbonyl}-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (80m). General procedure Q afforded 22.6 mg (36%) of product **80m**. HRMS calcd for $C_{35}H_{48}N_6O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 665.3663, found 665.3654.

(4*S*)-5-Oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}-4-({[6-phenyl-4-(piperidin-1-ylcarbonyl)pyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-pentanoic Acid (80n). General procedure Q afforded 13.7 mg (21%) of product 80n. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{43}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 622.3240, found 622.3239.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(Morpholin-4-ylcarbonyl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (800). General procedure Q afforded 22.1 mg (34%) of product 800. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{41}N_5O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 624.3033, found 624.3050.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[(4-Methoxypiperidin-1-yl)carbonyl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (80p). General procedure Q afforded 25.1 mg (44%) of product 80p. HRMS calcd for $C_{34}H_{45}N_5O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 652.3347, found 652.3327.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[(4-Methylpiperazin-1-yl)carbonyl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (80r). General procedure Q afforded 44.7 mg (36%) of product 80r. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{44}N_6O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 637.3350, found 637.3352.

General Procedure R. Method A (Heck Coupling): Preparation of 4-Aliphatic Pyridine Compounds 83. To a solution of pentyl 4-[(2*S*)-5-*tert*-butoxy-5-oxo-2-{[(6-phenyl-4-{[(trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl]oxy}pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate 78 (250 mg, 0.35 mmol), *trans*-dichlorobis-(triphenylphosphine)Pd(II) (12.6 mg, 0.018 mmol), and LiBr (97.2 mg, 1.12 mmol) in DMF (3.5 mL) was added alkene 81 (1.0–1.4 mmol). The mixtures were stirred at 100 °C for 1 h, then cooled to room temperature. Triethylamine (54 uL, 0.49 mmol) was added, and the mixtures were stirred at 100 °C for 1.5–18 h. The crude reaction solution was diluted with α,α,α -trifluorotoluene (4 mL) and washed with water (4 mL). The organic phase was isolated, and the aqueous phase was extracted with α,α,α trifluorotoluene (4 mL). The combined organics were dried in vacuo to afford the *tert*-butyl ester products.

Deprotection of the *tert***-Butyl Ester Group**. A solution of 15% trifluoroacetic acid/dichloromethane (3.5 mL) was added to the *tert*-butyl ester (~0.35 mmol) agitated on an orbital shaker or stirred at room temperature for 12–60 h. Evaporation of the solvents and purification by reverse-phase HPLC afforded the pure alkene intermediates.

Reduction of the Alkene. The alkenes (~0.35 mmol) were dissolved in EtOAc (2.5 mL), and the reaction vessel was flushed with $N_{2(g)}$. A slurry of 10% Pd/C (0.016 mmol) in EtOAc (0.5 mL) was added to the solution, and the reaction vessels were flushed with $N_{2(g)}$ and then $H_{2(g)}$. The mixtures were stirred for 2–18 h under a balloon of $H_{2(g)}$ and then filtered through a pad of Celite. The filtrate and cake rinses were dried in vacuo, and the residues were purified by HPLC to afford pure products **83**.

General Procedure R. Method B (Sonogashira): Preparation of 4-Aliphatic Pyridine Compounds 83. A solution of pentyl 4-[(2*S*)-5-*tert*-butoxy-5-oxo-2-{[(6-phenyl-4-{[(trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl]oxy}pyridin-2-yl)carbonyl]amino}pentanoyl]piperazine-1-carboxylate 78 (386 mg, 0.54 mmol), CuI (23 mg, 0.12 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (39 mg, 0.034 mmol), and diethylamine (165 μ L, 1.6 mmol) in THF (5.4 mL) was added to each alkyne 82 (1.5 mmol). The mixtures were agitated at room temperature for 2–48 h and then diluted with α , α , α -trifluorotoluene (4 mL) and aqueous saturated NH₄Cl (4 mL). The organic phase was isolated and evaporated to afford the *tert*-butyl ester intermediates.

Deprotection of the *tert***-Butyl Ester Group**. A solution of 15% trifluoroacetic acid/dichloromethane (2.2 mL) was added to the *tert*-butyl ester (~0.27 mmol) agitated on an orbital shaker or stirred at room temperature for 24 h. Evaporation of the solvents and purification by reverse-phase HPLC afforded the pure alkyne intermediates.

Reduction of the Alkyne. The alkynes (~0.25 mmol) were dissolved in EtOAc (2 mL), and the reaction vessel was flushed with $N_{2(g)}$. A slurry of 10% Pd/C (0.025 mmol) in EtOAc (0.4 mL) was added to the reaction solution, and the reaction vessels were flushed with $N_{2(g)}$ and then $H_{2(g)}$. The mixtures were stirred for 1.5 h under a balloon of $H_{2(g)}$ and then filtered through a pad of Celite. The filtrate and cake rinses were dried in vacuo, and the residues were purified by HPLC to afford products **83**.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(Cyclohexylmethyl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (83a). General procedure R, method A, afforded 48.4 mg (19%) of product 83a. HRMS calcd for $C_{34}H_{46}N_4O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 607.3495, found 607.3529.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(3-Hydroxypropyl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (83b). General procedure R, method B, afforded 8.3 mg (5%) of product 83b. HRMS calcd for $C_{30}H_{40}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 569.2970, found 569.2971.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(4-Hydroxybutyl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (83c). General procedure R, method B, afforded 28 mg (17%) of product 83c. HRMS calcd for $C_{31}H_{42}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 583.3126, found 583.3102.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(5-Hydroxypentyl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (83d). General procedure R, method B, afforded 49.3 mg (28%) of product 83d. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{44}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 619.3102, found 619.3073.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(3-Methoxypropyl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (83e). General procedure R, method B, afforded 81 mg (45%) of product 83e. HRMS calcd for $C_{31}H_{42}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 583.2126, found 583.3124.

(4*S*)-4-({[4-(4-Methoxybutyl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (83f). General procedure R, method B, afforded 20.4 mg (11%) of product 83f. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{44}N_4O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 597.3283, found 597.3270.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[3-(Isobutylamino)propyl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (83g). General procedure R, method B, afforded 22 mg (13%) of product 83g. HRMS calcd for $C_{34}H_{49}N_5O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 624.3756, found 624.3728.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[3-(Dimethylamino)propyl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (83h). General procedure R, method B, afforded 58 mg (34%) of product 83h. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{45}N_5O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 596.3443, found 596.3481.

(4*S*)-4-[($\{4-[3-(Diethylamino)propy]]$ -6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (83i). General procedure R, method B, afforded 40 mg (23%) of product 83i. HRMS calcd for C₃₄H₄₉N₅O₆ (M⁺ + H) 624.3756, found 624.3732.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[4-(Dimethylamino)butyl]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (83j). General procedure R, method A, afforded 62.4 mg (24%) of product 83j. HRMS calcd for $C_{33}H_{47}N_5O_6$ (M⁺ + H) 610.3605, found 610.3608.

(4*S*)-4-[({4-[3-(Dimethylamino)-3-oxopropy]]-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl}carbonyl)amino]-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (83k). General procedure R, method A, afforded 88.4 mg (35%) of product 83k. HRMS calcd for $C_{32}H_{43}N_5O_7$ (M⁺ + H) 610.3240, found 610.3248. (4*S*)-4-({[4-(3-Morpholin-4-yl-3-oxopropyl)-6-phenylpyridin-2-yl]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxo-5-{4-[(pentyloxy)carbonyl]piperazin-1-yl}pentanoic Acid (83l). General procedure R, method A, afforded 49 mg (18%) of product 83l. HRMS calcd for $C_{34}H_{45}N_5O_8$ (M⁺ + H) 652.3347, found 652.3336.

Biology. P2Y₁₂ Radioligand Binding Assay. CHO (Chinese hamster ovary) cells transfected with a synthetic human P2Y₁₂ gene were cultured in α -MEM containing 10% dialyzed FBS, 0.05% Geneticin, 1× GlutaMAX, and 1× penicillin–streptomycin. Washed membranes prepared from near confluent cells were stored at -80 °C. Binding reactions were conducted in polypropylene assay plates in a volume of 150 μ L of assay buffer (50 mM Tris, 100 mM NaCl, 1 mM EDTA) including 0.3 μ g/well membrane protein, 0.2 nM ³³P-MeSADP, and serial dilutions of test compounds, vehicle, or 300 nM 2-MeSADP for the definition of nonspecific binding. Dry compounds were prepared as 10 mM DMSO stocks and were diluted in seven-point, 3-fold dilution series in assay buffer with 0.02% BSA. Each concentration was run in triplicate beginning at 10 mM, final concentration in the assay.

Binding reactions were incubated at room temperature for 1 h and stopped by dilution and transfer/aspiration of the mixture onto GF/B UniFilter 96-well plates (Perkin-Elmer) and washed $3\times$ with ice-cold 50 mM Tris, pH 7.4, aspirating between each wash. The filter plates were counted on a Top Count (Perkin-Elmer), and data were analyzed using GraphPad Prism using a single site binding equation.

Blood Donors and Draws. The donors consisted of males and females of 18-65 years, and those with sickle cell anemia were excluded. Blood donors were asked to abstain from aspirin and nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) usage 7-10 days prior to donation, but fasting was not required. A total of 100 mL each per donor (×4 donors) was collected into five individual 20 mL syringes (Terumo brand, VWR, St. Louis, MO) filled with 2 mL of 0.105 M buffered sodium citrate anticoagulant (Sigma, St. Louis, MO) using a 19 gauge butterfly needle.

Chemicals and Agonists. Dilutions were prepared in analytical grade (ACS) reagents such as PBS (Gibco, Carlsbad, CA), DMSO, and human albumin serum (Sigma). Stocks of a 1 mM adenosine diphosphate (ADP) (Chrono-Log, Havertown, PA) were prepared in PBS for a final agonist concentration of 20 μ M in assay per 96 reaction well.

Human Platelet-Rich Plasma Preparation. Platelet-rich plasma (PRP) was prepared from whole blood by diluting prepared PRP with prepared platelet poor plasma (PPP) to achieve a final concentration of 330 000 platelets per microliter for use in assay. All centrifugation steps were performed at room temperature in a Beckman Allegra X-12 benchtop centrifuge using rotor SX4750A. Whole blood collected from syringes was transferred into 50 mL VWR conical tubes. Any whole blood with evidence of clotting was excluded from preparation. Whole blood samples containing an acutely dense appearance of lipemia were also excluded from PRP preparations, but minor lipemic conditions were allowed. PRP was obtained by a two-step centrifugation process: Centrifugation at 910g (average) for 10 s was immediately followed by centrifugation at 220g (average) for 15 min. The upper layer was collected using a 10 mL pipet, into a polypropylene bottle (Corning, Acton, MA), leaving a 5 mL layer of liquid behind to avoid disturbing the buffy coat and red blood cells layers in the conical tubes. For platelet poor plasma, the lower phase and remaining PRP in the conicals was centrifuged at 2380g for 15 min. The upper layer was collected again, taking care not to disturb the RBC layer, into a clean polypropylene bottle. PRP platelets counts were determined using a Z1 Coulter particle counter (Beckman Coulter, Fullerton, CA), and PRP was adjusted to 330 000 cells per microliter by dilution with PPP.

ADP-Induced Human PRP Aggregation Assay. Platelet aggregation was measured with a microplate spectrophotometer (SpectraMax Plus 384, SoftMax Pro software, Molecular Devices, Sunnyvale, CA). First, a dilution plate at 5% DMSO/ 4.2% HSA in PBS was prepared by 2-fold serial dilution of DMSO stocks of test compounds to yield 7 concentrations per 96-well plate (500–7.813 μ M). The last plate row contains buffer alone for effect control purposes. Next, assay plates are prepared from the dilution plate by pipetting $18 \,\mu L \,(^1/_{10} \text{ of } 180 \,\mu L)$ total assay reaction volume) in duplicate columns on an empty assay plate. Final assay dose response concentrations for test compound and reference control AZD-6140 were 10, 5, 2.5, 1.25, 0.625, 0.313, 0.156 µM at 0.5% DMSO. The reference compound AZD-6140 was included on every plate for normalization purposes to minimize donor-to-donor variability. For preincubation of PRP and vehicle or vehicle plus compound, 144 μ L of PRP was added to the assay plate containing diluted analogues, then mixed 30 s on titer plate shaker (setting 3), then warmed for 5 min at 37 °C on heater block. Reverse pipetting (Rainin LTS multichannel pipet) prevented the formation of air bubbles on the surface of plasma that otherwise would obscure reader function, giving rise to false values. Aggregation was then initiated by addition of 18 μ L of 200 μ M ADP (20 μ M final concentration in assay) to assay plate. The last row on each plate containing PRP plus vehicle was divided by half, so the first six wells represented 100% effect aggregation to which 18 μ L of ADP was added and the last six wells represented 0% effect aggregation to which 18 μ L of PBS was added. Immediately, aggregation response was measured by kinetic readings of the optical density at 626 nm at 37 °C for 15 min using a SpectraMax Plus spectrophotometer. The kinetic program was set for automix function (oscillatory bidirectional motion) for 45 s between the 1 min reading intervals during the 15 min duration. Assay plate preincubations and incubations were staggered in order to have one plate at the end point read while another plate was ready for kinetic read. Concentration-response data from the 15 min end point read were analyzed using BioAssay Solver to afford IC₅₀ values. Final volume and concentration of assay were as follows: total volume per well 180 µL, 0.5% final DMSO, 20 μ M ADP, 4.752 \times 10⁷ platelets/well, and 50 or 10 μM test compounds.

Supporting Information Available: Biological and characterization data for compounds **20**, **75**, **76**, and **77**. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at http://pubs.acs.org.

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