

**Diastereoselective Hydrochlorination of Acrylylurea Derivatives Using Titanium Tetrachloride and Alcohol. Chelation-Controlled Michael Addition of Chloride and Intramolecular Proton Transfer to the  $\alpha$ -Position**

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Michael addition to  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated carboxylic acid derivatives has proven to be a useful vehicle for asymmetric induction at the  $\beta$ -carbon in numerous investigations.<sup>1</sup> However, the asymmetric hydrochlorination of  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated carboxylic acid derivatives has yet to be demonstrated. Moreover, stereoselective hydrochlorination of acrylic acid derivatives has been discussed in only a few reports with only moderate selectivity: (1) hydrochlorination of 2-butenic acid using hydrogen chloride and  $\alpha$ -cyclodextrin (64% ee, Tanaka et al., 1990<sup>2</sup> (34% ee based on our calculation<sup>3</sup>)), and (2) hydrochlorination of acrylylureas using titanium tetrachloride and 2-propanol (66% de, Kishikawa et al., 1990<sup>4</sup>). In this article we describe our further investigations of our hydrochlorination,<sup>4</sup> elucidation of its mechanism, improvement of the diastereoselectivity, and determination of the absolute configurations of the products.

Acrylylurea **1a** was hydrochlorinated under a variety of conditions using titanium tetrachloride and 2-propanol. Thus, to a solution of **1a** in toluene was added a solution of titanium tetrachloride in toluene, followed by 1 equiv of 2-propanol. After stirring for 1 h, the reaction was quenched by the addition of water. A plot of yields (**2a**) versus amounts of reagents ( $\text{TiCl}_4/i\text{-PrOH} = 1:1$ ) are shown in Figure 1. The best yield was observed when a ratio of  $\text{TiCl}_4/i\text{-PrOH}/\mathbf{1a} = 1:1:1$  was used. Yields of **2a** with varying amounts of 2-propanol and 1 equiv of  $\text{TiCl}_4$  are shown in Figure 2. Reactions with more than 1 equiv of 2-propanol proceeded quantitatively. Figure 3 shows yields of **2a** resulting from reaction temperatures of  $-70$  °C to about  $20$  °C. Higher temperatures produced better yields.

Yields in various solvents were investigated by carrying out the reaction of **1a** in toluene, carbon tetrachloride, chloroform, and methylene chloride (Table I). In toluene and chloroform, the reaction provided the product in 100% yield. In carbon tetrachloride and methylene chloride, the products were obtained in moderate yields (71 and

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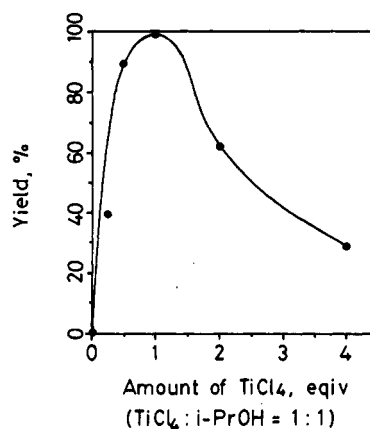


Figure 1. Plot of yield (**2a**) versus amount of titanium tetrachloride for the hydrochlorination of **1a**.

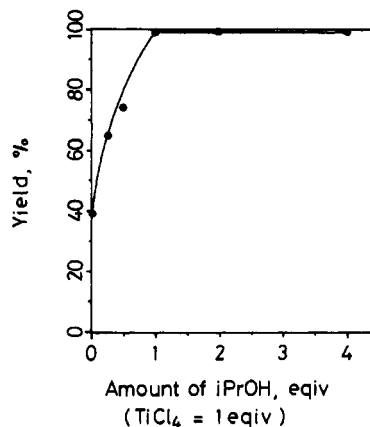


Figure 2. Plot of yield (**2a**) versus amount of 2-propanol (titanium tetrachloride = 1 equiv) for the hydrochlorination of **1a**.

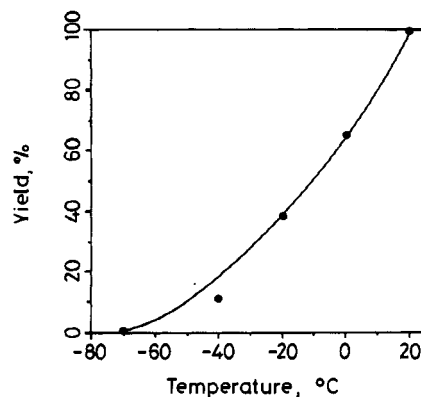
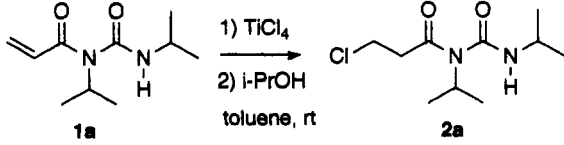


Figure 3. Plot of yield (**2a**) versus reaction temperature for the hydrochlorination of **1a**.

78%). Solvent polarity showed no distinct effect on the reactivity in this selection of solvents.

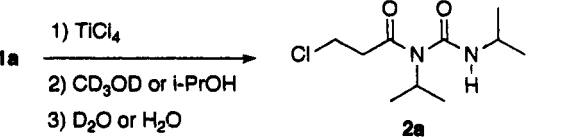
Among the alcohols (methanol, ethanol, 2-propanol, *tert*-butyl alcohol and benzyl alcohol), reaction with 2-propanol resulted in the best yield. The steric character of 2-propanol might be most suitable for the acceleration of the reaction.

In order to determine which proton moves to the  $\alpha$ -position, a series of deuterium exchange experiments was attempted by addition of  $\text{CD}_3\text{OD}$  and/or  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  to the

Table I. Hydrochlorination of 1a<sup>a</sup>


entry	solvent	alcohol	yield (%) <sup>b</sup>
1	toluene	<i>i</i> -PrOH	100
2	CCl <sub>4</sub>		71
3	CHCl <sub>3</sub>		100
4	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>		78
5	toluene	MeOH	64
6		EtOH	75
7		<i>i</i> -PrOH	100
8		<i>t</i> -BuOH	59
9		BnOH	73

<sup>a</sup> The reaction was carried out at room temperature. After addition of titanium tetrachloride (1 equiv) to the solution of 1a, alcohol (1 equiv) was added and stirred for 1 h. <sup>b</sup> Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy.

Table II. Hydrochlorination with Methanol-*d*<sub>4</sub> and/or Quenching with D<sub>2</sub>O<sup>a</sup>


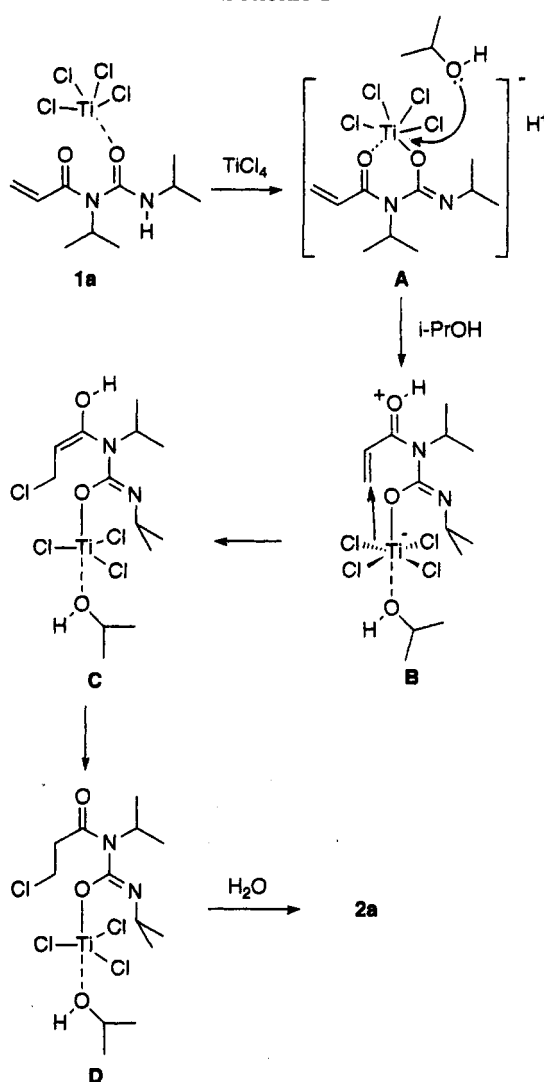
entry	starting material	alcohol	water	product (%) <sup>b</sup> 2a/2b/2c
1	1a	CD <sub>3</sub> OD	H <sub>2</sub> O	100:0:0
2		<i>i</i> PrOH	D <sub>2</sub> O	0:22:78
3		CD <sub>3</sub> OD	D <sub>2</sub> O	0:20:80
4	2a	<i>i</i> PrOH	D <sub>2</sub> O	0:10:90

<sup>a</sup> After addition of titanium tetrachloride (1 equiv) to the solution of toluene, alcohol (1 equiv) was added and the solution was stirred for 1 h. <sup>b</sup> Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy.

reaction (Table II). The ratio of 2a/2b/2c was determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy. In all cases the reactions proceeded quantitatively. Addition of CD<sub>3</sub>OD followed by quenching with H<sub>2</sub>O did not afford the  $\alpha$ -deuterioacylurea 2b (entry 1). On the other hand, quenching with D<sub>2</sub>O gave 2b in 22% yield (entry 2). Accordingly, the 22% deuterium at the  $\alpha$ -position of 2b originates in the process of quenching with water. The addition of CD<sub>3</sub>OD followed by quenching with D<sub>2</sub>O gave 2b and 2c in 20 and 80% yields, respectively (entry 3). Thus, the proton at the nitrogen of 1a is transferred to the  $\alpha$ -position of the product during the reaction.

To explain these results, the following mechanism (Scheme I) for the hydrochlorination can be suggested. First, the titanium of TiCl<sub>4</sub> chelates with the two carbonyl oxygens of 1a. Then, the amide proton undergoes an intramolecular transfer to the Cl ligands on titanium (A). Attack of 2-propanol at titanium with ligand exchange of the acyl carbonyl oxygen results in a hexavalent titanium species. This undergoes a conformational change so as to locate a Cl ligand near the  $\beta$ -carbon of the acrylyl group (B), and it attacks the  $\beta$ -carbon after protonation of the carbonyl oxygen. After hydrochlorination, ketonization

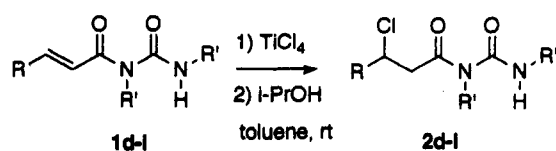
Scheme I



of C yields D. To confirm the occurrence of acid-catalyzed isomerization upon quenching, a toluene solution of 2a was stirred with TiCl<sub>4</sub> for 1 h and then was quenched by addition of D<sub>2</sub>O. Deuterium exchange amounting to 10% was observed. Not unexpectedly, quenching with water generated HCl, which caused the observed acid-catalyzed keto-enol isomerization.

Intermediate B from the above mechanism suggested that introduction of bulky chiral substituents at the nitrogen atoms, one of which is positioned near the titanium atom in B, could result in highly diastereoselective hydrochlorination. Acrylylureas 1d-i (Table III) were prepared from  $\beta$ -substituted acrylic acids and chiral carbodiimides (*N,N'*-bis[(*S*)-1-phenylethyl]carbodiimide (3a),<sup>6</sup> *N,N'*-bis[(*S*)-1-(1-naphthyl)ethyl]carbodiimide (3b) and *N,N'*-bis[(*R*)-1-(1-naphthyl)ethyl]carbodiimide (3c)). The hydrochlorination of 1d-f (R = (*S*)-1-phenylethyl) using 1 equiv of 2-propanol gave the products with poor to moderate diastereoselectivity (entries 1, 3, 5). The yields were increased by the addition of 1 equiv more of 2-propanol (entries 2, 4, 6). The selectivity was improved by substitution of the *N*-(1-arylethyl) groups with the bulkier *N*-[1-(1-naphthyl)ethyl] group (entries 7-9). In particular, 2-butenoylurea 1g gave 2g in 78% de.

The absolute configuration of 2g was determined by comparison of its spectral data with an authentic sample prepared by an independent route. Optical resolution of

Table III. Diastereoselective Hydrochlorination<sup>a</sup>

entry	starting material	R	R'	product	% yield <sup>b</sup>	% de (major isomer) <sup>c</sup>
1 <sup>d</sup>	1d	Me	(S)-1-phenylethyl	2d	16	56 (3S)
2					50	32 (3S)
3 <sup>d</sup>	1e	Et		2e	44	14 (3S)
4 <sup>e</sup>					86	66 (3S)
5 <sup>d</sup>	1f	Pr		2f	14	0 (-)
6 <sup>e</sup>					72	10 (3S)
7	1g	Me	(S)-1-(1-naphthyl)-ethyl	2g	54	78 (3S)
8	1h	Et	(R)-1-(1-naphthyl)-ethyl	2h	50	60 (3R)
9	1i	Pr		2i	29	48 (3R)

<sup>a</sup> After addition of titanium tetrachloride (1 equiv) to the solution of 1 in toluene, 2-propanol (2 equiv) was added and stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction was quenched by addition of water. <sup>b</sup> Isolated yields. <sup>c</sup> Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy. <sup>d</sup> One equivalent of 2-propanol was added. <sup>e</sup> Reference 4.

3-chlorobutyric acid using (-)-quinine was carried out to obtain (R)-3-chlorobutyric acid, which showed a greater specific rotation ( $[\alpha]_{20}^{20} +13.71^\circ$  ( $c = 9.55$ , diethyl ether)) than that previously reported ( $[\alpha]_{20}^{20} +11.5^\circ$  ( $c = 10$ , diethyl ether)<sup>5</sup>), notwithstanding that the purity was 64% ee. The enantiomeric excess of the (R)-acid was determined as follows. The optically-resolved acid was derivatized to the corresponding acylurea by the reaction with *N,N'*-bis[(S)-1-(1-naphthyl)ethyl]carbodiimide. The diastereomer ratio of **2g** ((3R)-form/(3S)-form = 82:18) was determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy. The minor diastereomer (3S)-**2g** was identical to the major diastereomer of **2g** obtained in entry 7 of Table II. Thus, the absolute configuration of the major product **2g** is unequivocally established as the (3S)-form. The estimated  $[\alpha]_{20}^{20}$  for the (R)-acid is ca.  $+21.5^\circ$ , which was calculated from the value  $+13.71^\circ$  at 64% ee.

The configurations of the other products (**2d-f, h, i**) were tentatively assigned by comparison with the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of **2g** (Table IV). The Ha-peak of the major diastereomers occurs at higher field than that of the minor diastereomers. One of the methylene Hb-peaks of the major products appears in the range of 2.55 to 2.70 ppm, and the other in the range of 2.90 to 3.30 ppm. In the minor products, both of the methylene Hb-peaks appear in the narrow range of 2.88 to 2.96 ppm. Further, the Hc-peak of the major products is at lower field than that of the minor products. Accordingly, all of the pairs of major and minor products have similar chemical shift relationships. Therefore, the absolute configuration of the major product is the (3S,1'S,1''S)-form for **2d-g** and the (3R,1'R,1''R)-form for **2h-i**. The stereochemistry of the minor product is (3R,1'S,1''S)-form for **2d-g** and the (3S,1'R,1''R)-form for **2h,i**.

The transition states I and II of the diastereoselective hydrochlorination are depicted in Scheme II. The conformation of the 1-(1-naphthyl)ethyl moiety is fixed by the steric hindrance presented by the titanium group. One of the Cl atoms attacks the  $\beta$ -carbon atom of the propenylurea. In transition state I, considerable steric

Table IV. List of Chemical Shifts of 3-Chloroacylureas

product	chemical shift ( $\delta$ )			configuration
	Ha	Hb	Hc	
<b>2d</b> (major)	4.50	2.58, 2.95	4.95	3S, 1'S, 1''S
<b>2d</b> (minor)	4.63	2.90, 2.96	4.87	3R, 1'S, 1''S
<b>2e</b> (major)	4.33	2.56, 2.92	4.96	3S, 1'S, 1''S
<b>2e</b> (minor)	4.48	2.90, 2.96	4.87	3R, 1'S, 1''S
<b>2f</b> (major)	4.39	2.55, 2.95	5.02	3S, 1'S, 1''S
<b>2f</b> (minor)	4.52	2.91, 2.95	4.82	3R, 1'S, 1''S
<b>2g</b> (major)	4.55	2.69, 3.03	5.60	3S, 1'S, 1''S
<b>2g</b> (minor)	4.80	2.90, 2.96	5.43	3R, 1'S, 1''S
<b>2h</b> (major)	4.35	2.70, 2.98	5.60	3R, 1'R, 1''R
<b>2h</b> (minor)	4.65	2.93, 2.95	5.40	3S, 1'R, 1''R
<b>2i</b> (major)	4.40	2.65, 2.90	5.60	3R, 1'R, 1''R
<b>2i</b> (minor)	4.75	2.88, 2.96	5.35	3S, 1'R, 1''R

**2d**: R = Me, Ar = Ph  
**2e**: R = Et, Ar = Ph  
**2f**: R = Pr, Ar = Ph  
**2g**: R = Me, Ar = 1-naphthyl  
**2h**: R = Et, Ar = 1-naphthyl  
**2i**: R = Pr, Ar = 1-naphthyl

repulsion between the naphthyl and R group would arise. Reaction from the less hindered state II is preferable to that from I, resulting in the (3S)-form as the major product.

In summary, the diastereoselectivity in hydrochlorination can be explained by the mechanism proposed in this study. It was confirmed that the hydrochlorination using titanium tetrachloride and alcohol is promoted by the two carbonyl groups and the amide proton of the acrylylureas.

### Experimental Section

Preparation of *N*-(2-propyl)acrylylurea **1a** and *N*-(1-phenylethyl)acrylylureas **1d-f**, and the hydrochlorination were carried out by the methods in our precedent papers.<sup>4,6d</sup> Preparation of *N*-[(1-naphthyl)ethyl]acrylylureas **1g-i** and the hydrochlorination were also performed by the same procedures.

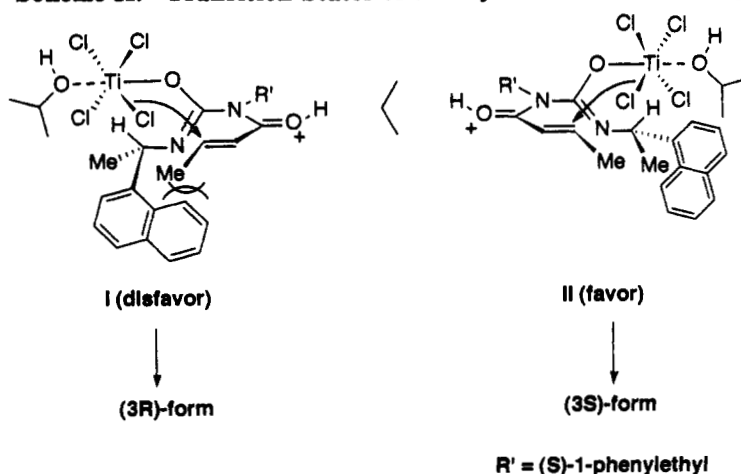
***N,N'*-Bis[(S)-1-(1-naphthyl)ethyl]-*N*-(2-butenoyl)urea (1g)**: 99% yield; mp 121–122 °C; IR (KBr) 3284, 3012, 1705, 1665, 1625, 1520, 1375, 1245, 780  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.46 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 3H), 1.78 (dd,  $J = 7.7, 1.4$  Hz, 3H), 1.80 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 3H), 5.61 (dq,  $J = 7.7, 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 6.15 (dd,  $J = 15.0, 1.4$  Hz, 1H), 6.50 (q,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 6.70 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 6.90 (dt,  $J = 15.0, 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 6.95–7.01 (m, 1H), 7.15 (m, 3H), 7.33–7.55 (m, 5H), 7.72 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 2H), 7.80–7.95 (m, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (22.4 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  18.08 (q), 21.09 (q), 46.21 (d), 49.49 (d), 121.93 (d), 122.98 (d), 124.02 (d), 124.77 (d), 125.24 (d), 125.60 (d), 125.72 (d), 126.41 (d), 126.82 (d), 127.99 (d), 128.56 (d), 128.76 (d), 129.91 (d), 130.49 (s), 131.18 (s), 133.60 (s), 133.84 (s), 137.51 (s), 143.17 (d), 153.91 (s), 166.54 (s); HRMS (FAB) ( $m/z$ ) foun (MH)<sup>+</sup> 437.2222, calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>29</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (MH) 437.2215.

***N,N'*-Bis[(R)-1-(1-naphthyl)ethyl]-*N*-(2-pentenoyl)urea (1h)**: 81% yield; IR (KBr) 3430, 3050, 1705, 1665, 1625, 1520, 1375, 1220, 780  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.00 (t,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 3H), 1.49 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 3H), 1.83 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 3H), 2.16 (dq,  $J = 7.7, 7.7, 1.9$  Hz, 2H), 5.62 (dq,  $J = 7.7, 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 6.13 (dt,  $J = 15.4, 1.9$  Hz, 1H), 6.40 (m, 1H), 6.55 (q,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 6.99 (dt,  $J = 15.4, 7.7$  Hz, 1H), 6.95–7.05 (m, 1H), 7.15–7.35 (m, 2H), 7.40–7.55 (m, 5H), 7.73 (d,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 2H), 7.85–7.93 (m, 3H), H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (22.4 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  12.05 (q), 18.08 (q), 21.06 (q), 25.27 (t), 46.15 (d), 49.43 (d), 121.42 (d), 121.78 (d), 122.83 (d), 124.68 (d), 125.15 (d), 125.45 (d), 125.57 (d), 126.26 (d), 126.68 (d), 127.87 (d), 128.41 (d), 128.79 (d), 130.38 (s), 131.09 (s), 133.51 (s), 133.72 (s), 134.97 (s), 137.78 (s), 149.35

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## Scheme II. Transition States of the Hydrochlorination of 1g



(d), 153.89 (s), 166.65 (s); HRMS (FAB) ( $m/z$ ) found (MH)<sup>+</sup> 451.2387, calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>31</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (MH) 451.2385.

**N,N'**-(*R*)-1-(1-naphthyl)ethyl]-*N*-(2-hexenoyl)-urea (**1i**): 79% yield; IR (KBr) 3480, 2930, 1705, 1665, 1630, 1515 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 0.90 (t,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 1.40 (tq,  $J$  = 7.7, 7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.49 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 1.82 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 2.09 (qd,  $J$  = 7.7, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 5.62 (dq,  $J$  = 7.7, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.13 (dt,  $J$  = 15.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.53 (q,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (dt,  $J$  = 15.4, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.95–7.05 (m, 2H), 7.19–7.38 (m, 3H), 7.40–7.59 (m, 6H), 7.70–7.90 (m, 6H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (22.4 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 13.69 (q), 18.17 (q), 21.15 (q), 21.27 (t), 34.37 (t), 46.24 (d), 49.58 (d), 121.87 (d), 122.47 (d), 122.98 (d), 124.77 (d), 125.24 (d), 125.66 (d), 125.72 (d), 126.38 (d), 126.77 (d), 127.96 (d), 128.53 (d), 128.73 (d), 128.89 (d), 130.46 (s), 131.18 (s), 133.60 (s), 133.81 (s), 135.03 (s), 137.57 (s), 148.13 (d), 153.97 (s), 166.74 (s); HRMS (FAB) ( $m/z$ ) found (MH)<sup>+</sup> 465.2547, calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (MH), 465.2552.

**N,N'**-Bis[(*S*)-1-(1-naphthyl)ethyl]-*N*-(3-chlorobutanoyl)-urea (**2g**): 54% yield. Major: IR (KBr) 3450, 3070, 2930, 1710, 1660 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 1.40 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 1.45 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 1.75 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 2.69 (dd,  $J$  = 15.4, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 3.03 (dd,  $J$  = 15.4, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 4.55 (dq,  $J$  = 7.7, 7.7, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 5.60 (dq,  $J$  = 7.7, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.63 (br d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.52 (q,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (m, 2H), 7.16 (m, 1H), 7.30 (m, 1H), 7.40 (m, 5H), 7.69–7.81 (m, 3H), 7.81–8.00 (m, 3H); HRMS (FAB) ( $m/z$ ) found (MH)<sup>+</sup> 473.1996, calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>30</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Cl (MH) 473.1996.

Minor: IR (KBr) 3420, 3050, 2970, 1710, 1665, 1515 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 1.35 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 1.62 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 1.76 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 2.90 (dd,  $J$  = 9.1, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (dd,  $J$  = 9.1, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (qdd,  $J$  = 7.7, 3.3, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (br d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.43 (dq,  $J$  = 7.7, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.30 (d,  $J$  = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (q,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (dd,  $J$  = 6.9, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.08–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.30–7.62 (m, 5H), 7.70–7.90 (m, 5H); HRMS (FAB) ( $m/z$ ) found (MH)<sup>+</sup> 473.2000, calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>30</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Cl (MH), 473.1996.

**N,N'**-Bis[(*R*)-1-(1-naphthyl)ethyl]-*N*-(3-chlorohexanoyl)-urea (**2h**): 50% yield. Major: IR (KBr) 3420, 1705, 1665, 1515, 1460 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 0.98 (t,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 1.42 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 1.60–1.70 (m, 2H), 1.75 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 2.70 (dd,  $J$  = 18.4, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (dd,  $J$  = 18.4, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (m, 1H), 5.60 (dq,  $J$  = 7.7, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.80 (br, 1H), 6.52 (q,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.85–6.93 (m, 2H), 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.40–7.50 (m, 5H), 7.70–7.98 (m, 5H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.65 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.87 (q), 17.94 (q), 20.80 (q), 30.98 (t), 44.31 (t), 46.17 (d), 49.22 (d), 60.46 (d), 122.22 (d), 123.00 (d), 123.16 (d), 124.73 (d), 125.29 (d), 125.34 (d), 125.51 (d), 125.91 (d), 126.59 (d), 126.90 (d), 128.32 (d), 128.74 (d), 128.80 (d), 128.90 (d), 130.62 (s), 131.03 (s), 133.58 (s), 133.92 (s), 137.12 (s), 153.39 (s), 170.08 (s); HRMS (FAB) ( $m/z$ ) found (MH)<sup>+</sup> 487.2158, calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Cl (MH) 487.2153.

Minor: IR (KBr) 3420, 3050, 2970, 1705, 1510, 1460 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H

NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 0.98 (t,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 1.42 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 1.60–1.70 (m, 2H), 1.75 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 2.93 (dd,  $J$  = 9.0, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 2.95 (dd,  $J$  = 9.0, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (m, 1H), 5.20 (br s, 1H), 5.40 (dq,  $J$  = 7.7, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.20 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (q,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (dd,  $J$  = 7.7, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.00–7.15 (m, 2H), 7.25–7.60 (m, 5H), 7.68–7.95 (m, 5H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.65 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 10.89 (q), 17.46 (q), 21.04 (q), 31.53 (t), 43.80 (t), 46.19 (d), 49.04 (d), 61.81 (d), 122.75 (d), 123.02 (d), 123.14 (d), 124.64 (d), 125.30 (d), 125.36 (d), 125.60 (d), 126.70 (d), 126.39 (d), 127.07 (d), 127.91 (d), 128.64 (d), 128.71 (d), 128.76 (d), 130.11 (s), 131.09 (s), 133.27 (s), 133.51 (s), 133.77 (s), 136.84 (s), 166.48 (s), 168.41 (s); HRMS (FAB) ( $m/z$ ) found (MH)<sup>+</sup> 487.2151, calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Cl (MH) 487.2153.

**N,N'**-Bis[(*R*)-1-(1-naphthyl)ethyl]-*N*-(3-chloropentanoyl)-urea (**2i**): 29% yield. Major: IR (KBr) 3420, 2960, 1705, 1665, 1510, 1460 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 0.90 (t,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 1.40 (tq,  $J$  = 7.7, 7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.49 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.82 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 2.00 (m, 2H), 2.65 (dd,  $J$  = 15.7, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (dd,  $J$  = 15.7, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (m, 1H), 5.60 (dq,  $J$  = 7.7, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.80 (br, 1H), 6.50 (q,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.85–6.90 (m, 2H), 7.20–7.36 (m, 2H), 7.20–7.36 (m, 2H), 7.40–7.55 (m, 5H), 7.72–8.00 (m, 5H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.65 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 13.45 (q), 17.91 (q), 19.57 (t), 20.76 (q), 39.82 (t), 44.64 (t), 46.16 (d), 49.18 (d), 58.72 (d), 122.18 (d), 122.97 (d), 123.12 (d), 124.71 (d), 125.29 (d), 125.47 (d), 125.84 (d), 125.87 (d), 126.56 (d), 126.86 (d), 128.30 (d), 128.74 (d), 128.86 (d), 128.90 (d), 130.61 (s), 131.02 (s), 133.55 (s), 133.90 (s), 134.74 (s), 137.07 (s), 153.35 (s), 170.03 (s); HRMS (FAB) ( $m/z$ ) found (MH)<sup>+</sup> 501.2310, calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Cl (MH) 501.2309.

Minor: IR (KBr) 3420, 2960, 1705, 1665, 1515, 1460 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 0.90 (t,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 1.40 (tq,  $J$  = 7.7, 7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.49 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.82 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 3H), 2.00 (m, 2H), 2.88 (dd,  $J$  = 6.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (dd,  $J$  = 6.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (m, 1H), 5.20 (br, 1H), 5.35 (dq,  $J$  = 7.7, 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.20 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (q,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.80–6.95 (m, 1H), 7.00–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.60 (m, 5H), 7.68–7.95 (m, 5H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.65 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 13.45 (q), 17.45 (q), 19.62 (t), 21.05 (q), 40.38 (t), 44.22 (t), 46.21 (d), 48.99 (d), 60.00 (d), 121.67 (d), 122.76 (d), 123.16 (d), 124.61 (d), 125.33 (d), 125.57 (d), 125.70 (d), 125.74 (d), 126.39 (d), 127.07 (d), 127.89 (d), 128.68 (d), 128.71 (d), 128.76 (d), 130.13 (s), 131.10 (s), 133.27 (s), 133.51 (s), 133.77 (s), 136.84 (s), 153.11 (s), 168.41 (s); HRMS (FAB) ( $m/z$ ) found (MH)<sup>+</sup> 501.2300, calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Cl (MH) 501.2308.

**Supplementary Material Available:** Copies of <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of compounds found in Experimental Section; <sup>1</sup>H chemical shifts of 2d–i (10 pages). This material is contained in libraries on microfiche, immediately follows this article in the microfilm version of the journal, and can be ordered from the ACS; see any current masthead page for ordering information.