## **Convenient Asymmetric Syntheses of** *anti-β*-Amino Alcohols

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Condensation of allylborane reagents **9** and **12** with aldehydes gave *anti*-3-[(diphenylmethylene)amino]-1-alken-4-ols **10** and **13** with high relative and absolute stereocontrol. Subsequent deprotection gave the corresponding free *anti*-3-amino-1-alken-4-ols **11** and **14**. Alternatively, reaction of imines **13a**, **13f**, and **13g** with trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride and acidic methanol gave, *via* rearrangement, double inversion, and hydrolysis, the isomeric *anti*-4-amino-1-alken-3ols **22**, **38a**, and **38b** in good yield. The stereochemistry of the rearrangement products has been established by a single crystal X-ray study of compound **37** and by chemical correlation.

## Introduction

2-Amino alcohols are common structural subunits that occur in diverse biologically active natural products and related fine chemicals.1 Many methods have been employed to construct compounds containing such functionality, yet relatively few concise strategies exist to generate vicinal aminols stereoselectively. Generally, two distinct methods are employed to introduce such units. Firstly, amino alcohol entities may be introduced without altering the carbon skeleton of a molecule. Such a process is exemplified by the ring opening of epoxides with a nitrogen centered nucleophile.<sup>2</sup> Alternatively, the vicinal amino alcohol array may be elaborated with the simultaneous construction of the interconnecting C-C bond.<sup>3</sup> This process can be much more valuable since it leads to an increase in the complexity of the carbon skeleton in addition to the introduction of heteroatoms. We have recently reported<sup>4,5</sup> an example of this second strategy. In an extension of allylborane chemistry,<sup>6</sup> we showed that the antipodal *B*-[(*E*)-3-(diphenylamino)allyl]diisopinocampheylboranes 1 and 4 were useful reagents for masked aldol chemistry. Condensation of aldehydes with boranes **1** and **4** gave  $\beta$ -hydroxy-*N*,*N*-diphenylamines 2 and 5 with high *anti*-diastereoselectivity and high enantioselectivity. Unfortunately, there were serious limitations associated with this methodology. The product  $\beta$ -hydroxy *N*,*N*-diphenylamines **2** and **5** could not be easily deprotected to reveal the parent  $\beta$ -hydroxy primary amines. Additionally significant quantities of cyclopropane side products 3 and 6 were also formed (Scheme 1). Prior to this work, Hoffmann and Metternich reported the formation of related cyclopropane



systems in allylboration reactions.<sup>7</sup> Subsequently we reported<sup>8</sup> the use of B-[(E)-3-[(diphenylmethylene)amino]allyl]diisopinocampheylboranes **9** and **12** in asymmetric synthesis. Condensation of boranes **9** and **12** with aldehydes and deprotection gave the amino alcohols **11** and **14**. Herein we report full experimental details of this improved methodology and describe an unexpected rearrangement reaction that proceeds with double inversion and is also useful in asymmetric synthesis.

## **Results and Discussion**

In principle, deprotonation of a suitably protected derivative of allylamine<sup>9</sup> and condensation with (-)- or (+)-(chloro)diisopinocampheylborane should provide the corresponding protected (amino-1-propen-3-yl)diisopinocampheylborane derivatives such as 9 and 12 respectively. Such reagents should react with aldehydes to provide protected 3-amino-1-alken-4-ol derivatives such as **10** and **13**. Clearly for this chemistry to be viable the choice of protecting group on nitrogen is crucial. The protecting group must be removable under mild conditions yet withstand strongly basic reagents. Secondly, the allyl amine system should stereoselectively produce *E*-allyl metal derivatives upon deprotonation and remain configurationally stable upon lithium to boron transmetalation. This is essential to ensure good anti-stereocontrol. Finally, the protecting group must mask the

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Table 1. Reaction of Aldehydes with Boranes 9 and 12

Entry	Aldehyde	Product (%)	Ds	%ee
1	СНО	<b>10a</b> (56)	≥95:5	91
2	$\bigcup$	<b>13a</b> (61)	≥95:5	93
3	СНО	<b>10b</b> (53)	≥95:5	93
4		<b>13b</b> (52)	≥95:5	90
5	СНО	10c (49)	≥95:5	91
6	N	<b>13c</b> (51)	≥95:5	90
7	~СНО	<b>10d</b> (43)	>95:5	
8	0	10d (30), 13d (11)	2.7:1	
	СНО			
9		<b>10e</b> (17), <b>13e</b> (21)	1:1.2	
10		<b>10e</b> (40)	≥95:5	
11	<i></i> сно	10f (48)	≥95:5	
12	СНО	<b>10g</b> (41)	≥95:5	

amine in such a manner that enamine reactivity is reduced to suppress the formation of cyclopropane products such as 3 and 6. The requirements of reduced nucleophilicity and ease of removal should be both fulfilled using an imine protection strategy. Würthwein and Wolf<sup>10</sup> have shown that 1,1-diphenyl-2-aza-1,4-pentadiene (7) upon deprotonation with LDA in THF at -78°C gave an all *trans*-W-anionic species 8 (Scheme 2). The reaction of carbanion 8 with electrophiles resulted primarily in  $\gamma$ -substitution; however, this was dependent on several variables including solvent polarity and electrophile reactivity.<sup>11</sup> The ability of carbanion 8 to react regiospecifically at the distal carbon and maintain an all trans-W-configuration upon addition of a chiral borane had not been investigated prior to our preliminary communication.8

Following the Würthwein precedent,<sup>10</sup> 1,1-diphenyl-2aza-1,4-pentadiene (**7**) was deprotonated with LDA in THF at -78 °C to give, upon reaction with (–)-*B*chlorodiisopinocampheylborane [(–)-(Ipc)<sub>2</sub>BCl], an adduct, presumably the *E*-allylborane **9**. *In situ* reaction with cyclohexanecarboxaldehyde gave, on basic hydrogen peroxide workup, the *anti-β*-hydroxy amine **10a** (R = c-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>) in 56% yield (Scheme 3). Deprotection of imine **10a** gave the corresponding amino alcohol **11a** in 98% yield. In the same manner, reaction of the imine **7** with LDA in THF at -78 °C, followed by metathetic exchange with (+)-*B*-chlorodiisopinocampheylborane [(+)-(Ipc)<sub>2</sub>BCl] and reaction with cyclohexanecarboxaldehyde gave the antipodal imine **13a** (R = c-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>). Subsequent deprotection of **13a** furnished the free amine **14a** in 98% yield. Several other aldehydes were reacted under similar conditions to give the corresponding *anti-\beta*-hydroxy-imines **10** and **13** (Table 1).

The relative and absolute stereochemistries of the product imines requires substantiation. Examination of <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra showed the diastereoselectivity of the reaction to be at least 95% *anti* in all cases. The enantioselectivities were determined by converting each pair of vicinal imino alcohols **10** and **13** into their corresponding Mosher esters **15** and **16**.<sup>12</sup> The enantio-



meric excesses were measured to be  $\geq$  90% by <sup>1</sup>H NMR in all cases except in those resulting from mismatched stereochemical biases between reagent and substrate (entries 8 and 9). The stereochemistry of one *anti-β*imino alcohol has been formally established by carrying out an X-ray crystallographic study of **10d**.<sup>7</sup> This study unequivocally established the relative and hence the absolute stereochemistry of alcohol **10d** and, by implication, all the other imino alcohols in Table 1. These results are in full accord with the established stereoselectivities of other Brown allylborane and aldehyde condensation reactions.<sup>5,6</sup>

We sought to convert the product imino alcohols 13 stereospecifically into aziridines 19 via activation of the hydroxyl group as derivative 17, cyclization via an  $S_N 2$ manifold, and nucleophilic addition to the resultant iminium species **18** (Scheme 4).<sup>13</sup> Unfortunately, all our attempts to convert imino alcohols 13 directly into aziridines 19 met with failure giving intractable polymerized material. However, these studies led to the discovery of an unexpected rearrangement reaction. The addition of 2,6-lutidine and trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride to alcohol 13a in CH2Cl2 at 0 °C resulted in the formation of a single low molecular weight substance (Scheme 5). The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of the new product **21** showed what appeared to be a 1:1 mixture of imino alcohols isomeric with the starting material 13a. Initially, we suspected that the unknown product may have contained the syn-isomer 20 although this expectation was later proven unfounded. A sample of the syn-isomer 20 admixed with 13a was prepared by carrying out the allylboration reaction at -50 °C rather than -78 °C (Scheme 6). This provided an inseparable mixture of the imino alcohol 13a and the corresponding syn-diastereoisomer **20** (9:1). The decrease in diastereoselectivity at elevated temperatures, which presumably takes place via reversible allylboron migration and *E*,*Z* isomerization of

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Scheme 3







the intermediate allylborane derivative, is well established with crotonylborane systems.<sup>6</sup> The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of the diastereoisomeric mixture { $\delta$  3.45 [1H, m, *CH*(NR)], *syn* and 3.62 [1H, m, *CH*(OH)], *syn*} showed that the rearranged product **21** in Scheme 6 was neither alcohol **13a** nor **20**.

Hydrolysis of imino alcohol **21** with 1 M hydrogen chloride in methanol, hydrogenation over 5% palladium on carbon and benzoylation (BzCl,  $Et_3N$ ) gave, surprisingly, a single diastereoisomeric benzamido alcohol **23**. The imino alcohol **13a** was also converted into the



corresponding benzamide 25 by hydrogenation/hydrogenolysis and benzoylation. Samples of the racemic syn and anti benzamido alcohols 29, 30, 34, and 35 were synthesized independently from nitropropane 26 and (nitromethyl)cyclohexane **31**<sup>14</sup> using the Seebach modification of the Henry reaction<sup>15</sup> (Scheme 7). The relative stereochemistries of the nitro alcohol products 27, 28, 32, and 33 were assigned based on comparative <sup>13</sup>C NMR shift correlations for the (CNO<sub>2</sub>) and (COH) peaks as described by Seebach.<sup>15</sup> The resultant nitroaldol isomers were chromatographically separated, hydrogenated over 10% palladium on carbon, and subsequently benzoylated to provide the racemic amides 29, 30, 34, and 35. Comparison of the <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of each racemic compound with products 23 and 25 showed the constitution and relative stereochemistry of benzamide **23** to be the same as that of structure **34**.

The relative stereochemistry of compound **21** was also determined by converting the amino alcohol **22** into the oxazolidinone **36** using bis(trichloromethyl) carbonate and Hunig's base (Scheme 8). Irradiation of the H-5 proton resonance ( $\delta$  4.47) of oxazolidinone **36** produced a large NOE (8.6%) of the signal for H-4 ( $\delta$  3.56). In addition, the coupling constant between H-4 and H-5 protons (J 7.1 Hz) was consistent with the *cis* structure **36**.<sup>16</sup> These results are in agreement with the assignment of the stereochemistry of the amino alcohol precursor **22** as *anti*. The determination of enantiomeric purity of the amino alcohol **22** was confirmed by analysis of the

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Figure 1.



<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of the dinitrobenzoyl (R)-Omethylmandelate derivative **37**. These analyses revealed the diastereomeric purity of **37** to be ~90%. This result is consistent with retention of the enantiomeric purity of the initial imino alcohol **13a**, but inconsistent with the



<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **21** which indicated a 1:1 mixture of products. It is reasonable to postulate that the position now occupied by the diphenylmethylene group (C-1) in the rearranged product 21 is sterically encumbered by the cyclohexyl ring and that imine 21 thus exists as a mixture of rotamers. This hypothesis was consistent with the result of converting imino alcohol 21 into amino alcohol 22. Free rotation about the C-N bond of deprotected amine **22** showed the product to be in fact a single diastereoisomer. An X-ray crystallographic study of ester<sup>19</sup> **37** confirmed its relative and absolute stereochemistry as a doubly inverted product (Figure 1). The results suggest that the stereospecific formation of product **21** may involve the intermediacy of an aziridinium species 18 and S<sub>N</sub>2 ring opening without allylic rearrangement (Scheme 4).

Further examples of this novel rearrangement were sought by treating both compounds 10d and 13b with trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride. Unfortunately, this gave only a complex intractable mixture of products. In contrast, reaction of the simple alkylimino alcohol derivative 13f with trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride and subsequent acidification (1 M HCl in methanol) gave the amino alcohol hydrochloride 38a in 38% yield (Scheme 9). <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis of the corresponding oxazolidinone 39a showed the coupling constant of protons H-4 and H-5 (J7.9 Hz) to be fully consistant with the cis-stereochemistry. The parent imino alcohol 13f was also converted into the corresponding oxazolidinone 41a by hydrolysis and condensation with bis(trichloromethyl) carbonate. Again analysis of the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (J 7.8 Hz) further confirmed the cis geometry of oxazolidinone 39a (Table 2). Final confirmation was achieved by hydrogenating both oxazolidinones 39a and 41a to give the





identical dihydro derivative **42** (Scheme 10). One other imino alcohol compound **10g** was investigated in this regard. Rearrangement of the imino alcohol **13g** with trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride and Hunig's base followed by acid hydrolysis gave the amino alcohol **38b** in 31% yield.

The enantioselective production of vicinal amino alcohols *via* a one-pot procedure should be applicable to synthesis of natural products. In addition, the stereospecific rearrangement of the product imino alcohols should provide a complementary procedure for amino alcohol synthesis.

## **Experimental Section**

All solvents were redistilled prior to use. (Nitromethyl)cyclohexane (**31**),<sup>14</sup> 2,3-*O*-isopropylidene-D-glyceraldehyde,<sup>17</sup> and 1,1-dimethylethyl (*S*)-4-formyl-2,2-dimethyl-3-oxazolidinecarboxylate<sup>18</sup> were prepared according to reported procedures. All other reagents were purchased from commercial sources and used without further purification.

(-)-(1R,2S)-1-Cyclohexyl-2-[(diphenylmethylene)amino]-3-buten-1-ol (10a) (General Procedure). To a stirred solution of diisopropylamine (0.70 mL, 5.0 mmol) in THF (30 mL) under  $N_2$  at -78 °C was added n-BuLi in hexane (2.5 M, 2.0 mL). The solution was kept at -78 °C for 25 min. 1,1-Diphenyl-2-aza-1,4-pentadiene (7) (1.11 g, 5.0 mmol) in THF (2 mL) was added with stirring at -78 °C. After 3 h, (-)-*B*chlorodiisopinocampheylborane (1.60 g, 5.0 mmol) in THF (5 mL) was added to the dark red mixture which was maintained at -78 °C for 2 h. To this solution was added cyclohexanecarboxaldehyde (0.45 g, 4.0 mmol) in THF (1 mL). The reaction mixture was maintained at -78 °C for 3 h after which aqueous NaOH (2 mL, 2.5 M) and 30% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (2 mL) were added. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h and diluted with ether (40 mL), and the organic phase was separated and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>). Evaporation and chroma-tography (silica gel, hexane-EtOAc, 4:1) gave imine 10a (0.75 g, 56%) as a white solid: mp 92-93 °C (hexane-EtOAc); TLC  $R_f 0.51$  (hexane-EtOAc, 4:1);  $[\alpha]^{24}_D - 27.3^\circ$  (c 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3503 (OH), 3079, 3059, 2924, 2851, 1623 (C=N), 1446, 1106 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.61-7.12 (m, 10H), 6.05 (ddd, 1H, J17.3, 9.4, 6.7 Hz), 5.15 (dd, 1H, J9.4, 1.2 Hz),

4.92 (dd, 1H, J17.3, 1.2 Hz), 3.95 (dd, 1H, J6.7, 4.6 Hz), 3.34 (dd, 1H, J 6.6, 4.6 Hz), 1.84–0.84 (m, 11H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 168.3, 139.8, 136.9, 136.3, 130.5, 128.8, 128.6, 128.3, 128.0, 127.9, 117.3, 78.6, 67.6, 39.7, 29.1, 28.5, 26.8, 26.3, 26.1; MS (EI) m/z (rel intensity) 333 (M + , 2), 315 [(M -H<sub>2</sub>O)<sup>+</sup>, 1], 256 (20), 220 (100), 165 (40), 55 (41); HRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO (M + ) 333.2093, found 333.2086. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO: requires C, 82.84; H, 8.16; N 4.20. Found: C, 82.56; H, 8.13; N, 4.15. A sample of 10a (15 mg, 0.04 mmol), (R)-Mosher acid (23 mg, 0.10 mmol) and 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (5 mg) were dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL). 1,3-Dicyclohexylcarbodiimide (21 mg, 0.10 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was added, and the course of the reaction was monitored by TLC (silica gel, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). After 2 h, the entire mixture was directly chromatographed on silica gel and eluted with CH<sub>2</sub>-Cl<sub>2</sub>. Evaporation of the solvent gave the crude ester 15a (37 mg, 96%) as a light yellow oil. This material was used directly without any further purification, for the determination of the enantioselectivity of the reaction. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.70-7.13 (m, 15H), 6.01 (m, 1H), 5.13 (m, 1H), 5.11 (m, 2H), 4.90 (d, 1H, J17.3 Hz), 4.13 (m, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 1.64-0.75 (m, 11H).

**Preparation of Imines 10 and 13.** Condensation of various aldehydes with boranes **9** and **12** following the general procedure above were used to prepare the following derivatives. In several cases esterification with (R)-Mosher acid was used to determine the enantioselectivity of reaction.

(+)-(1*S*,2*R*)-1-Cyclohexyl-2-diphenylmethyleneamino-3-buten-1-ol (13a). Imino alcohol 13a (72 mg, 61%) was obtained as a white solid: mp 92-93 °C (hexane-EtOAc); TLC  $R_f 0.51$  (hexane-EtOAc, 4:1);  $[\alpha]^{24}_{D} + 27.0^{\circ}$  (c 0.7, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3513 (OH), 3080, 3059, 2927, 2851, 1621 (C=N), 1446, 1103 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.66–7.14 (m, 10H), 6.06 (ddd, 1H, J17.4, 9.4, 6.7 Hz), 5.16 (dd, 1H, J9.4, 1.0 Hz), 4.95 (dd, 1H J 17.4, 1.0 Hz), 3.97 (dd, 1H, J 6.5, 4.7 Hz), 3.37 (dd, 1H, J 6.7, 4.7 Hz), 1.90-0.93 (m, 11H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (67.5 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 168.3, 139.8, 136.8, 136.2, 130.4, 128.8, 128.5, 128.3, 128.0, 127.9, 117.4, 78.6, 67.5, 39.6, 29.0, 28.5, 26.7, 26.3, 26.1; MS (EI) *m*/*z* (rel intensity) 333 (M<sup>+</sup>, 1), 315 [(M - H<sub>2</sub>O)<sup>+</sup> 2], 256 (22), 220 (100), 165 (45), 54 (40); HRMS (EI, 70 eV) m/z calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO (M<sup>+</sup>) 333.2093, found 333.2078. Anal. Calcd for C23H27NO: C, 82.84; H, 8.16; N, 4.20. Found: C, 82.60; H, 7.78; N, 4.25. Mosher ester 16a: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 7.83-7.12 (m, 15H), 5.84 (m, 1H), 5.26 (dd, 1H, J 7.5, 4.9 Hz), 4.95 (d, 1H, J10.5 Hz), 4.84 (d, 1H, J17.3 Hz), 4.06 (app t, 1H, J 6.6 Hz), 3.51 (s, 3H), 1.67-0.89 (m, 11H).

(+)-(1*R*,2*S*)-2-[(Diphenylmethylene)amino]-1-phenyl-3-buten-1-ol (10b). Imino alcohol 10b (96 mg, 53%) was obtained as a white solid: mp 97-98 °C (hexane-EtOAc); TLC  $R_f 0.33$  (hexane-EtOAc, 4:1);  $[\alpha]^{24}_{D} + 34.3^{\circ}$  (*c* 0.7, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3441 (OH), 3080, 3059, 3027, 2888, 1623 (C=N), 1445, 1150 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.50 (d, 2H, J 6.5 Hz), 7.42-7.17 (m, 11H), 6.85 (m, 2H), 6.01 (ddd, 1H, J17.4, 10.4, 6.6 Hz), 5.15 (d, 1H, J10.4 Hz), 4.99 (d, 1H, J17.4 Hz), 4.81 (d, 1H, J 5.9 Hz), 4.00 (app t, 1H, J 6.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 169.0, 141.1, 139.8, 136.7, 136.6, 130.4, 128.8, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.8, 127.6, 127.0, 117.8, 76.7, 72.2; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 328 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 310 (M + H-H<sub>2</sub>O)<sup>+</sup> 220, 165, 146, 117; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO  $(M + H)^+$  328.1701, found 328.1700; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>21</sub>-NO: C, 84.37; H, 6.46; N, 4.28. Found: C, 84.77; H, 6.19; N, 4.18. Mosher ester 15b: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.50-7.10 (m, 18H), 6.78 (d, 2H, J 6.9 Hz), 6.16 (d, 1H, J 7.2 Hz), 6.08 (ddd, 1H, J 17.3, 10.4, 6.9 Hz), 5.19 (d, 1H, J 10.4 Hz), 5.07 (d, 1H, J 17.3 Hz), 4.25 (app t, 1H, J 7.0 Hz), 3.57 (s, 3H).

(-)-(1*S*,2*R*)-2-[(Diphenylmethylene)amino]-1-phenyl-3-buten-1-ol (13b). Imino alcohol 13b (67 mg, 52%) was obtained as a white solid: mp 97–98 °C (hexane–EtOAc); TLC  $R_r$ 0.33 (hexane–EtOAc, 4:1);  $[\alpha]^{24}_D$ –35.0° (*c* 0.8, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3566 (OH), 3059, 3027, 2890, 1622 (C=N), 1598, 1491, 1151 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.55 (m, 2H), 7.41– 7.21 (m, 11H), 6.84 (m, 2H), 6.01 (ddd, 1H, *J* 16.1, 10.0, 6.0 Hz), 5.17 (d, 1H, *J* 10.0 Hz), 5.00 (d, 1H, *J* 16.1 Hz), 4.83 (d, 1H, *J* 5.9 Hz), 4.01 (app t, 1H, *J* 6.1 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  169.0, 141.1, 139.8, 136.8, 136.7, 130.4, 128.8, 128.7,

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128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.8, 127.6, 127.0, 117.8, 76.7, 72.2; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 328 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 220, 165, 146, 117; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 328.1701, found 328.1720. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO: C, 84.37; H, 6.46; N, 4.28. Found: C, 84.67; H, 6.31; N, 4.10. Mosher ester **16b**: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.47–7.26 (m, 18H), 6.72 (d, 2H, *J* 7.0 Hz), 6.24 (d, 1H, *J* 8.0 Hz), 5.91 (ddd, 1H, *J* 17.3, 10.3, 6.9 Hz), 5.02 (d, 1H, *J* 10.3 Hz), 4.93 (d, 1H, *J* 17.3 Hz), 4.22 (app t, 1H, *J* 6.9 Hz), 3.44 (s, 3H).

(+)-(1*S*,2*S*)-2-[(Diphenylmethylene)amino]-1-(2-pyridinyl)-3-buten-1-ol (10c). Imino alcohol 10c (116 mg, 49%) was obtained as a yellow oil: TLC  $R_f 0.32$  (hexane-EtOAc, 1:1); [α]<sup>24</sup><sub>D</sub>+41.1° (*c* 0.7, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3480 (OH), 3281, 3080, 3022, 2922, 1623 (C=N), 1592, 1472 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 8.49 (m, 1H), 7.77-7.23 (m, 10H), 6.70 (m, 2H), 6.13 (ddd, 1H, J 17.2, 10.4, 6.0 Hz), 5.18 (d, 1H, J 10.5 Hz), 4.97 (d, 1H, J17.2 Hz), 4.90 (m, 1H), 4.03 (app t, 1H, J6.3 Hz);  $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 168.8, 159.9, 148.3, 139.6, 137.2, 136.5, 134.2, 130.2, 128.6, 128.4, 128.1, 127.5, 126.4, 122.5, 116.6, 76.2, 71.4; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 329 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 311, 220, 183, 165, 145, 77; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O  $(M\,+\,H)^+$  329.1654, found 329.1674. Mosher ester  $15c:\ ^1H$ NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 8.45 (d, 1H, J 4.9 Hz), 7.54-6.97 (m, 18H), 6.24 (d, 1H, J 5.6 Hz), 5.99 (m, 1H), 5.09 (d, 1H, J 10.5 Hz), 4.88 (d, 1H, J 17.2 Hz), 4.54 (m, 1H), 3.57 (s, 3H).

(-)-(1R,2R)-2-[(Diphenylmethylene)amino]-1-(2-pyridinyl)-3-buten-1-ol (13c). Imino alcohol 13c (88 mg, 51%) was obtained as a yellow oil: TLC  $R_f 0.32$  (hexane-EtOAc, 1:1); [α]<sup>24</sup><sub>D</sub> -40.6° (c 0.9, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3436 (OH), 3080, 3022, 2923, 1623 (C=N), 1592, 1474 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 8.51 (m, 1H), 7.79-7.13 (m, 11H), 6.70 (m, 2H), 6.13 (ddd, 1H, J 17.1, 10.5, 5.9 Hz), 5.19 (d, 1H, J 10.5 Hz), 4.98 (d, 1H, J 17.1 Hz), 4.91 (d, 1H, J 6.4 Hz), 4.04 (app t, 1H, J 6.2 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 168.8, 159.9, 148.3, 139.6, 137.2, 136.5, 134.2, 130.2, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 127.5, 126.4, 122.5, 116.6, 76.2, 71.4; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 329 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 311, 220, 183, 165, 145; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* calcd for  $C_{22}H_{21}N_2O$  (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 329.1654, found 329.1669. Mosher ester 16c: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.50 (d, 1H, J 4.9 Hz), 7.62-7.14 (m, 17H), 6.81 (d, 1H, J7.1 Hz), 6.20 (d, 1H, J 7.2 Hz), 5.82 (m, 1H), 4.96 (d, 1H, J 10.4 Hz), 4.84 (d, 1H, J 17.4 Hz), 4.49 (app t, 1H, J 6.8 Hz), 3.44 (s, 3H).

(-)-(4*R*)-2,2-Dimethyl-4-[2(*S*)-[(diphenylmethylene)amino]-1(*S*)-hydroxy-3-buten-1-yl]-1,3-dioxolane (10d). Imino alcohol 10d (67 mg, 43%) was obtained as a white solid: mp 136–137 °C (CH<sub>3</sub>OH); TLC *R*<sub>7</sub>0.49 (hexane–EtOAc, 2:1);  $[\alpha]^{24}_{D}$  –18.7° (*c* 1.7, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3179 (OH), 3080, 2988, 2905, 1621 (C=N) 1122 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.62–7.12 (m, 10H), 6.01 (ddd, 1H, *J* 17.3, 10.5, 6.3 Hz), 5.15 (dd, 1H, *J* 10.5, 1.5 Hz), 5.01 (dd, 1H, *J* 17.3, 1.5 Hz), 4.17– 3.93 (m, 4H), 3.80 (app t, 1H, *J* 5.0 Hz), 1.31 (s, 3H), 1.30 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  169.2, 139.6, 136.5, 136.0, 130.5, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 127.8, 117.3, 108.7, 76.2, 74.2, 66.8, 66.1, 26.9, 25.5; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* 352 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 220, 165, 117; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 352.1913, found 352.1923. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>: C, 75.19; H, 7.17; N, 3.99. Found: C, 74.94; H, 6.94; N, 4.24.

(4*R*)-2,2-Dimethyl-4-[2(*R*)-[(diphenylmethylene)amino]-1(*R*)-hydroxy-3-buten-1-yl]-1,3-dioxolane (13d). Imino alcohol 13d (59 mg, 41% as a 30:11 diastereoisomeric ratio of 10d and 13d) was obtained as a white solid: mp 96–98 °C (hexane–EtOAc); TLC  $R_f$ 0.48 (hexane–EtOAc, 2:1); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3176, 3080, 2988, 2904, 1621 (C=N), 1121 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.69–7.12 (m, 10H), 6.05 (m, 1H), 5.13 (d, 1H, J 10.4 Hz), 4.92 (d, 1H, J 17.3 Hz), 4.11–3.81 (m, 4H), 3.85 (app t, 1H, J 6.2 Hz), 1.37 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 3H); MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/zcalcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 352.1913, found 352.1933.

*tert*-Butyl4(*S*)-[2(*S*)-[(Diphenylmethylene)amino]-1(*R*)hydroxy-3-buten-1-yl]-2,2-dimethyl-3-oxazolidinecarboxylate (10e). Imino alcohol 10e (50 mg, 38% as a 17:21 diastereoisomeric ratio of 10e and 13e) was obtained as a yellow oil: TLC  $R_f$ 0.68 (hexane–EtOAc, 2:1); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3452 (OH), 3060, 2978, 2879, 1692 (NCO<sub>2</sub>), 1662 (C=N), 1447 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.74–7.09 (m, 10H), 6.07 (m, 1H), 5.13 (d, 1H, *J*17.0 Hz), 4.91 (d, 1H, *J*10.4 Hz), 4.17–3.48 (m, 5H), 1.42 (s, 6H), 1.38 (s, 9H); MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 451 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 395, 250, 221, 167; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>35</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 451.2597, found 451.2628.

(-)-tert-Butyl 4(S)-[2(R)-[(Diphenylmethylene)amino]-1(S)-hydroxy-3-buten-1-yl]-2,2-dimethyl-3-oxazolidinecarboxylate (13e). Imino alcohol 13e (89 mg, 40%) was obtained as a yellow solid: mp 90-92 °C (hexane-EtOAc); TLC  $R_f 0.68$  (hexane-EtOAc, 2:1);  $[\alpha]^{24}_D - 25.2^\circ$  (c 1.1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3452 (OH), 3041, 2977, 2876, 1693 (NCO<sub>2</sub>), 1662 (C=N), 1447 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 7.59 (d, 2H, J7.2 Hz), 7.38-7.08 (m, 8H), 6.04 (m, 1H), 5.09 (d, 1H, J9.8 Hz), 5.00 (d, 1H, J17.4 Hz), 4.14-4.07 (m, 3H), 3.95 (m, 1H), 3.81 (m, 1H), 1.47 (s, 3H), 1.42 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $(125.8 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta$  168.6, 152.1, 139.3, 136.9, 136.2, 130.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 127.5, 116.4, 93.3, 79.9, 74.4, 67.6, 63.9, 58.1, 28.4, 28.3, 27.9, 26.3, 25.9; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 451  $(M + H)^+$ , 250, 221, 183, 167; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for  $C_{27}H_{35}N_2O_4 (M + H)^+ 451.2597$ , found 451.2610. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 71.97; H, 7.61; N, 6.22. Found C, 71.96; H, 7.85; N, 6.01.

(+)-(3*R*,4*S*)-3-[(Diphenylmethylene)amino]-1-hexen-4ol (13f). Imino alcohol 13f (42 mg, 48%) was obtained as a colorless oil: TLC  $R_f$ 0.27 (hexane–EtOAc, 4:1);  $[\alpha]^{24}_D$ +19.1° (*c* 0.8, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (neat) 3512 (OH), 3060, 2966, 2877, 1660 (C=N), 1128 (C–O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.82– 7.45 (m, 10H), 5.97 (ddd, 1H, *J* 17.5, 10.1, 8.2 Hz), 5.49 (d, 1H, *J* 17.5 Hz), 5.46 (d, 1H, *J* 10.1 Hz), 3.97–3.85 (m, 2H), 1.44 (m, 2H), 0.95 (t, 3H, *J* 7.3 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  168.4, 137.7, 136.4, 132.4, 130.3, 128.3, 128.1, 127.8, 126.5, 125.6, 117.4, 80.5, 70.2, 26.0, 10.8; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m/z* 280 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 221, 200, 183, 105; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 280.1701, found 280.1701.

(+)-(3*R*,4*S*)-3-[(Diphenylmethylene)amino]-6-methyl-1-hepten-4-ol (13g). Imino alcohol 13g (47 mg, 41%) was obtained as a colorless oil: TLC  $R_f$  0.32 (hexane-EtOAc, 4:1);  $[\alpha]^{24}_D$  +23.4° (*c* 0.7, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (neat) 3524 (OH), 3060, 2965, 2876, 1660 (C=N), 1077 (C-O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.79-7.45 (m, 10H), 5.95 (ddd, 1H, *J* 16.3, 10.0, 7.5 Hz), 5.47 (d, 1H, *J* 16.3 Hz), 5.45 (d, 1H, *J* 10.0 Hz), 4.18 (m, 1H), 3.78 (m, 1H), 1.74 (m, 1H), 1.40 (m, 1H), 1.11 (m, 1H), 0.91 (d, 3H, *J* 6.4 Hz), 0.88 (d, 3H, *J* 6.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  162.9, 137.5, 132.4, 130.0, 129.2, 128.2, 122.8, 68.4, 58.9, 42.0, 24.3, 23.2, 21.9, MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m/z* 308 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 222, 200, 182, 105; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>26</sub>-NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 308.2014, found 308.2003.

Preparation of (-)-(1R,2S)-2-Amino-1-cyclohexyl-3buten-1-ol (11a). Imine 10a (66 mg, 0.2 mmol) in MeOH (1 mL) was added to 10 mL of a 1 M HCl/CH<sub>3</sub>OH solution (1:1 v/v) at 0 °C, and the mixture was stirred for 15 min. The reaction solution was concentrated under reduced pressure and washed with ether (2  $\times$  10 mL) and the aqueous residue basified with NaOH (5 mL, 2.5 M in H<sub>2</sub>O). Extraction with ethyl acetate (3  $\times$  10 mL), drying (K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>), and concentration in vacuo gave 11a (33mg, 98%) as a white solid: mp 65-66 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>); [α]<sup>24</sup><sub>D</sub> –19.2° (c 0.8, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3374 (OH), 3298, 3073, 2922, 2851, 1574, 1449, 1105 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.87 (ddd, 1H, J17.0, 9.1, 7.3 Hz), 5.20 (d, 1H, J 17.0 Hz), 5.18 (d, 1H, J 9.1 Hz), 3.51 (m, 1H), 3.20 (dd, 1H, J 8.1, 3.4 Hz), 1.91-1.00 (m, 11H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  137.8, 117.0, 78.3, 55.8, 40.4, 29.4, 29.0, 26.7, 26.2, 26.1; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 170 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 152, 57; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 170.1545, found 170.1538.

(+)-(1*S*,2*R*)-2-Amino-1-cyclohexyl-3-buten-1-ol (14a). Amino alcohol 14a (33 mg, 97%), prepared from 13a using the procedure for 11a, was obtained as a white solid: mp 65–66 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>);  $[\alpha]^{24}_{\rm D}$ +19.1° (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3347, 3297, 3074, 3005, 2922, 2851, 1573, 1449, 1105 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.89 (ddd, 1H, *J* 17.0, 9.2, 7.4 Hz), 5.20 (d, 1H, *J* 17.0 Hz), 5.17 (d, 1H, *J* 9.2 Hz), 3.50 (m, 1H), 3.20 (dd, 1H, *J* 8.3, 3.6 Hz), 1.99–0.96 (m, 11H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  137.8, 116.9, 78.3, 55.8, 40.4, 29.4, 29.0, 26.7, 26.2, 26.0; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 170 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 152, 57; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 170.1545, found 170.1544.

Preparation of (-)-(1R,2S)-1-Cyclohexyl-1-[(diphenylmethylene)amino]-3-buten-2-ol (21). To a stirred solution of iminol 13a (50 mg, 0.15 mmol) and 2,6-lutidine (35  $\mu$ L, 0.30 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (15 mL) at 0 °C was added trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (29  $\mu$ L, 0.17 mmol) dropwise. After 12 h at 0 °C under N<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O (1 mL) was added and the organic phase separated, concentrated under reduced pressure, and chromatographed on silica (hexane-Et<sub>2</sub>O, 4:1) to give 21 (22 mg, 44%) as a yellow oil. TLC  $R_f$  0.41 (hexane–EtOAc, 4:1);  $[\alpha]^{24}$ <sub>D</sub> -35.8° (c 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (neat) 3451 (OH), 3060, 3020, 2926, 2851, 1621 (C=N), 1446, 1197 (C-O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.8–7.0 (m, 10H), 6.04 (m, 1H), 5.06 (app t, 1H, J 10.5Hz), 4.90 (2d, 1H, J 17.3 Hz), 4.37, 4.09, 3.96 (3m, 2H), 1.68-0.71 (m, 11H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 168.8, 168.6, 140.1, 140.0, 138.0, 137.5, 137.1, 136.9, 132.8, 130.4, 129.1, 128.9, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.0, 117.6, 117.2, 83.1, 82.7, 66.8, 66.7, 39.6, 39.2, 30.8, 30.1, 28.0, 27.4, 26.7, 26.6, 26.5, 26.2; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 334 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 222, 200, 183, 168, 105, 83; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>28</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 334.2172, found 334.2172.

Preparation of (-)-(1R,2S)-1-Amino-1-cyclohexylbutan-2-ol (22). Imino alcohol 21 (60 mg, 0.18 mmol), MeOH (10 mL), and 3 M HCl (1 mL) were allowed to react for 10 min when 5% Pd/C (20 mg) was added, and the mixture was hydrogenated at 1 atm for 12 h. The reaction slurry was filtered through celite and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residual aqueous phase was washed with Et<sub>2</sub>O (2  $\times$  10 mL), basified with aqueous 10% NaOH (3 mL), and extracted with EtOAc (4  $\times$  15 mL). The EtOAc fractions were combined, dried over K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, and concentrated in vacuo to 21 (28 mg, 0.16 mmol, 90%) as a white solid: mp 75-77 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>); [α]<sup>24</sup><sub>D</sub> –12.2° (*c* 0.25, CH<sub>3</sub>OH); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3424 (OH), 3294, 2925, 2874, 1571, 1449, 1105 (C-O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD) & 3.39 (m, 1H), 2.36 (m, 1H), 1.80-1.02 (m, 13H), 0.99 (t, 3H, J 7.4 Hz);  $^{13}$ C NMR (75.1 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD)  $\delta$ 74.1, 60.8, 41.6, 31.7, 29.1, 28.1, 27.8, 27.6, 27.5, 10.6; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 172 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 151, 137, 98, 58; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 172.1701, found 172.1701.

(-)-(1R,2S)-1-Benzamido-1-cyclohexylbutan-2-ol (23). To a stirred solution of amino alcohol 22 (20 mg, 0.12 mmol) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (25 µL, 0.20 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> at room temperature was added benzoyl chloride (18  $\mu$ L, 0.15 mmol). After 12 h the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and chromatographed on silica (hexane-EtOAc, 4:1) to afford 23 (27 mg, 0.10 mmol, 83%) as a white solid: mp 191-192 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>); TLC  $R_f 0.47$  (hexane–EtOAc, 1:1);  $[\alpha]^{24}_D$  –34.3° (c 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3326, 2928, 2853, 1637 (C=O), 1531, 1102 (C-O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.79 (m, 2H), 7.46 (m, 3H), 6.18 (d, 1H, J 9.4 Hz), 4.10 (m, 1H), 3.74 (m, 1H), 1.94-1.09 (m, 13H), 1.04 (t, 3H, J7.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 168.5, 134.5, 131.6, 128.7, 127.0, 74.3, 59.1, 38.7, 30.9, 29.0, 26.2, 26.1, 25.9, 25.7, 10.5; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z276 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 258, 216, 122; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for  $C_{17}H_{26}NO_2 (M + H)^+ 276.1963$ , found 276.1950. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 74.14; H, 9.15; N, 5.09. Found: C, 74.28; H, 9.06; N, 4.99.

(+)-(**1***S*,**2***R*)-**2**-**Amino-1-cyclohexylbutan-1-ol (24).** Amino alcohol **24** (62 mg, 81%), prepared from **13a** according to the procedure described for **22**, was obtained as a white solid: mp 167–169 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>);  $[\alpha]^{24}{}_{\rm D}$  +6.9° (*c* 0.5, CH<sub>3</sub>OH); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3364 (OH), 3295, 2924, 2875, 1577 (C-N), 1462, 1103 (C-O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.13 (dd, 1H, *J* 8.0, 4.0 Hz), 2.76 (m, 1H), 1.96–0.81 (m, 16H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD)  $\delta$  75.5, 53.6, 39.2, 28.2, 28.1, 25.4, 24.9, 24.8, 19.4, 8.6; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* 172 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 154, 88, 58; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 172.1701, found 172.1699.

(+)-(1*S*,2*R*)-2-Benzamido-1-cyclohexylbutan-1-ol (25). Amide 25 (72 mg, 90%), prepared using the same method as for 23, was obtained as a white solid: mp 185–187 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>); TLC  $R_f$ 0.46 (hexane–EtOAc, 1:1); [ $\alpha$ ]<sup>24</sup><sub>D</sub>+26.8° (c 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3327, 2928, 2853, 1632 (C=O), 1532, 1105 (C=O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.80 (m, 2H), 7.45 (m, 3H), 6.49 (d, 1H, *J* 8.9 Hz), 4.27 (m, 1H), 3.46 (m, 1H), 2.07–1.06 (m, 13H), 0.98 (t, 3H, *J* 7.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  167.4, 134.9, 131.4, 128.5, 126.9, 78.8, 52.7, 40.8, 29.6, 28.9, 26.3, 25.9, 25.8, 20.8, 10.8; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 551 (2M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 276 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 258, 216, 139, 122; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 276.1963, found 276.1942; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 74.14, H, 9.15; N, 5.09. Found: C, 73.84; H, 8.85; N, 4.94.

Preparation of (1S\*,2R\*)-1-Cyclohexyl-2-nitrobutan-1-ol (27) and (1R\*,2R\*)-1-Cyclohexyl-2-nitrobutan-1-ol (28). Nitro alcohols 27 and 28 were synthesized from cyclohexanecarboxaldehyde and nitropropane (26) using the procedure reported by Šeebach<sup>15</sup> et al. giving syn-28 (0.70 g, 39%) as a yellow oil and anti-27 (0.34 g, 20%) as an orange solid. anti-Isomer 27: mp 65-67 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>); TLC R<sub>f</sub> 0.20 (hexane-EtOAc, 4:1); IR (neat) 3536 (OH), 3455, 2973, 2928, 2882, 1552 (C-NO<sub>2</sub>), 1450, 1101 (C-O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 4.47 (ddd, 1H, J 11.1, 4.8, 4.5 Hz), 3.72 (dd, 1H, J 7.4, 4.5 Hz), 2.12-0.98 (m, 13H), 0.92 (t, 3H, J7.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 91.9, 76.8, 40.6, 29.7, 28.3, 26.5, 26.3, 26.0, 21.7, 10.9; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 219 (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup>, 184, 172, 154, 137, 95, 81, 58; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (M  $+ NH_4)^+ 219.1709$ , found 219.1713. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{10}H_{19}$ -NO<sub>3</sub>: C, 59.66; H, 9.52; N, 6.96. Found: C, 59.62; H, 9.33; N, 6.85. *syn*-Isomer **28**: TLC *R<sub>f</sub>* 0.25 (hexane–EtOAc, 4:1); IR (neat) 3544, 3446, 2973, 2929, 2882, 1552 (C-NO<sub>2</sub>), 1449, 1101 (C–O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  4.58 (ddd, 1H, J 5.8, 4.9, 4.5 Hz), 3.62 (dd, 1H, J 5.9, 5.8 Hz), 2.11-1.13 (m, 13H), 0.99 (t, 3H, J 7.4 Hz);  $^{13}$ C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 92.2, 76.3, 40.7, 30.2, 27.2, 26.5, 26.4, 26.1, 24.4, 10.6; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 219 (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup>, 184, 172, 154, 137, 95, 81, 58; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for  $C_{10}H_{23}N_2O_3$  (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup> 219.1709, found 219.1702.

Preparation of (1S\*,2R\*)-2-Benzamido-1-cyclohexyl**butan-1-ol (29).**  $(1S^*, 2R^*)$ -1-Cyclohexyl-2-nitrobutan-1-ol (27)(0.70 g, 3.50 mmol) in MeOH (50 mL), 3 M HCl (1 mL), and 10% Pd/C (~100 mg) were hydrogenated at 600 psi for 16 h at 70 °C. The reaction slurry was filtered through Celite and concentrated under reduced pressure. The remaining aqueous fraction was washed with Et<sub>2</sub>O (2  $\times$  10 mL) and basified with aqueous 10% NaOH. Extraction of the basic residue with EtOAc (4  $\times$  25 mL), drying over K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, and in vacuo concentration afforded a white solid. This solid was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) and added to a stirred solution of Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.46 mL, 3.50 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (15 mL). Benzoyl chloride (0.29 mL, 2.5 mmol) was added dropwise to the reaction solution at 0 °C. After 12 h the solution was concentrated in vacuo and chromatographed on silica (hexane-EtOAc, 1:1) to afford 29 (0.50 g, 57%) as white solid: mp 161–163 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>); TLC R<sub>f</sub> 0.46 (hexane–EtOAc, 1:1); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3327, 2928, 2853, 1632 (C=O), 1532, 1105 (C-O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.80 (m, 2H), 7.46 (m, 3H), 6.49 (d, 1H, J 8.9 Hz), 4.26 (m, 1H), 3.44 (m, 1H), 1.99-1.11 (m, 13H), 1.04 (t, 3H, J 7.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 167.4, 134.9, 131,4, 128.6, 126.9, 78.8, 52.7, 40.8, 29.6, 28.9, 26.3, 25.9, 25.8, 20.8, 10.8; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 276 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 258, 216, 139, 122; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>  $(M + H)^+$  276.1963, found 276.1957. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>25</sub>-NO2: C, 74.13; H, 9.16; N, 5.09. Found: C, 74.29; H, 8.78; N, 4.97

(1*R*\*,2*R*\*)-2-Benzamido-1-cyclohexylbutan-1-ol (30). Amide 30 (0.24 g, 59%), prepared using the same procedure as for 29, was obtained as a white solid: mp 137–139 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>); TLC *R*<sub>7</sub> 0.40 (hexane–EtOAc, 1:1); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3327, 2928, 2853, 1637 (C=O), 1531, 1101 (C–O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.80 (m, 2H), 7.45 (m, 3H), 4.26 (m, 1H), 3.44 (m, 1H), 2.06–1.07 (m, 13H), 1.01 (t, 3H, *J* 7.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  167.3, 134.5, 131.4, 128.6, 126.9, 78.8, 52.7, 40.8, 29.6, 28.9, 26.3, 25.9, 25.8, 20.8, 10.8; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m/z* 276 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 258, 216, 174, 153; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 276.1963, found 276.1962. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 74.13; H, 9.16; N, 5.09. Found: C, 74.24; H, 9.00; N, 5.09.

**Preparation of (1** $R^*$ ,**2** $S^*$ )-1-Cyclohexyl-1-nitrobutan-**2-ol (32) and (1** $R^*$ ,**2** $R^*$ )-1-Cyclohexyl-1-nitrobutan-2-ol **(33).** Nitro alcohols **32** and **33** were prepared from (nitromethyl)cyclohexane (**31**)<sup>14</sup> and propanal according to the procedure reported by Seebach<sup>15</sup> *et al.* giving *anti*-**32** (0.25 g, 12%) as a colorless oil and *syn*-**33** (0.65 g, 32%) as a colorless oil. anti-Isomer 32: TLC Rf 0.12 (hexane-Et2O, 4:1); IR (neat) 3550 (OH), 3480, 2974, 2928, 2882, 1552 (C-NO<sub>2</sub>), 1450, 1108 (C–O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  4.34 (dd, 1H, J6.4, 5.7 Hz), 3.97 (m, 1H), 2.12-1.04 (m, 13H), 1.00 (t, 3H, J7.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 97.2, 72.0, 38.0, 30.3, 29.1, 26.7, 26.4, 26.3, 26.1, 10.2; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 219 (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup>, 172, 154, 137, 58; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup> 219.1709, found 219.1727. syn-Isomer **33**: TLC Rf 0.15 (hexane-Et<sub>2</sub>O, 4:1); IR (neat) 3550 (OH), 3479, 2974, 2929, 2882, 1552 (C-NO<sub>2</sub>), 1450, 1103 (C-O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  4.18 (dd, 1H, J7.2, 4.1 Hz), 3.77 (m, 1H), 2.16-0.98 (m, 13H), 0.95 (t, 3H, J7.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 97.3, 70.6, 38.0, 29.5, 27.7, 26.4, 26.2, 26.0, 25.8, 10.5; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 219 (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup>, 172, 154, 137, 58; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup> 219.1709, found 219.1730.

(1*S*\*,2*R*\*)-1-Benzamido-1-cyclohexylbutan-2-ol (34). Amide 34 (0.17 g. 56%), prepared using the same procedure as for 29, was obtained as a white solid: mp 168–169 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>); TLC *R*<sub>f</sub> 0.45 (hexane–EtOAc, 1:1); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3326, 2928, 2853, 1637 (C=O), 1531, 1102 (C–O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.79 (m, 2H), 7.46 (m, 3H), 6.20 (d, 1H, *J* 9.4 Hz), 4.10 (m, 1H), 3.72 (m, 1H), 1.94–1.09 (m, 13H), 1.04 (t, 3H, *J* 7.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  168.5, 134.5, 131.6, 128.7, 127.0, 74.3, 59.0, 38.7, 30.9, 29.0, 26.2, 26.1, 25.9, 25.7, 10.5; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* 276 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 258, 216, 163, 122; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO<sub>2</sub> (M + H)<sup>+</sup> 276.1963, found 276.1948. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 74.13; H, 9.16; N, 5.09. Found: C, 74.37; H, 8.92; N, 4.98.

(1*R*\*,2*R*\*)-1-Benzamido-1-cyclohexylbutan-2-ol (35). Amide 35 (0.18 g, 51%), prepared using the same procedure as for 29, was obtained as a white solid: mp 144–145 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>); TLC *R*<sub>7</sub>0.49 (hexane–EtOAc, 1:1); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3326, 2928, 2853, 1637 (C=O), 1531, 1104 (C–O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.72 (m, 2H), 7.36 (m, 3H), 6.39 (d, 1H, *J* 9.0 Hz), 3.79 (m, 2H), 1.92–1.00 (m, 13H), 0.94 (t, 3H, *J* 7.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  168.0, 134.8, 131.4, 128.6, 126.9, 72.0, 57.3, 39.7, 30.2, 29.9, 28.0, 26.4, 26.3, 26.2, 10.2; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* 258 (M + H – H<sub>2</sub>O)<sup>+</sup>, 216, 174, 167, 122; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NO (M + H-H<sub>2</sub>O)<sup>+</sup> 258.1858, found 258.1854. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 74.13; H, 9.16; N, 5.09. Found: C, 74.31; H, 8.90; N, 4.85.

(-)-cis-(4R,5S)-4-Cyclohexyl-5-ethyl-1,3-oxazolidin-2one (36). To a stirred solution of amino alcohol 22 (21 mg, 0.12 mmol) and diisopropylethylamine (47  $\mu$ L, 0.27 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5 mL) at 0 °C was added triphosgene (18 mg, 0.06 mmol). The reaction solution was allowed to warm to room temperature with stirring for 12 h. H<sub>2</sub>O (1 mL) and EtOAc (15 mL) were added to the mixture, and the organic phase was separated, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, concentrated under reduced pressure, and chromatographed on silica (EtOAc) to afford 36 (21 mg, 85%) as colorless crystals: mp 143-144 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>); TLC  $R_f$  0.62 (EtOAc);  $[\alpha]^{24}_D$  – 17.8° (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 2928, 2854, 1750 (C=O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 6.57 (s, 1H), 4.47 (m, 1H), 3.56 (app t, 1H, J7.1 Hz), 1.86-1.11 (m, 13H), 1.07 (t, 13H, J7.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  160.3, 81.9, 61.1, 37.5, 30.4, 29.0, 26.0, 25.7, 25.5, 22.0, 10.5; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 215 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 198, 72; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for  $C_{11}H_{23}N_2O_2$  (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup> 215.1760, found 215.1757. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 66.96; H, 9.71; N, 7.10. Found: C, 66.93; H, 9.45; N, 6.83.

(-)-(1*R*,2*S*)-1-Cyclohexyl-1-(3,5-dinitrobenzamido)-2-[2(*R*)-methoxyphenylacetoxy] butane (37). To a stirred solution of amino alcohol 22 (34 mg, 0.20 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) was added 2,6-lutidine (31  $\mu$ L, 0.27 mmol) and 3,5dinitrobenzoyl chloride (46 mg, 0.21 mmol). After stirring for 12 h at room temperature the reaction was filtered through silica and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude solid was redissolved in dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) and placed under an atmosphere of nitrogen. To the reaction solution was added dicyclohexylcarbodiimide (82 mg, 0.40 mmol), (*R*)-*O*-methylmandelic acid (66 mg, 0.40 mmol), and 4-(dimethylamino)pyridine (5 mg). After 3 h the mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and directly chromatographed on silica (hexane–EtOAc, 4:1) to give **37** (72 mg, 70% overall) as a white solid. Recrystallization (CH<sub>3</sub>OH, -10 °C) gave **37** as colorless needles: mp 182–184 °C (CH<sub>3</sub>OH); TLC  $R_{f}$ 0.46 (hexane–EtOAc, 4:1); [α]<sup>24</sup><sub>D</sub> –10.2° (*c* 0.7, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3096, 2929, 2852, 1737 (C=O), 1673 (C=O), 1543 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  9.20 (s, 1H), 8.91 (s, 2H), 7.45–7.31 (m, 5H), 6.49 (d, 1H, *J* 9.8 Hz), 5.00 (m, 1H), 4.81 (s, 1H), 4.31 (m, 1H), 3.49 (s, 3H), 1.77–0.90 (m, 13H), 0.71 (t, 3H, *J* 7.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.3, 162.6, 148.7, 138.1, 136.1, 128.8, 128.6, 127.1, 127.0, 121.0, 82.7, 57.6, 38.3, 30.8, 28.5, 26.0, 25.9, 25.8, 23.9, 9.7; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* 531 (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup>, 484, 454, 348, 318, 184, 121; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>35</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>8</sub> (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup> 531.2455, found 531.2474. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>31</sub>-N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>: C, 59.99;H, 6.04; N, 8.40. Found: C, 60.26; H, 6.09; N, 8.41.

(-)-(3S,4R)-4-Amino-1-hexen-3-ol Hydrochloride (38a). To a stirred solution of imino alcohol 13f (60 mg, 0.22 mmol) and 2,6-lutidine (52  $\mu$ L, 0.45 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) at 0 °C was added trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride (56  $\mu$ L, 0.33 mmol) dropwise. The mixture was stirred for 8 h, filtered through silica, concentrated in vacuo, and acidified (1 M HCl in MeOH). The resulting aqueous residue was washed with EtOAc (3  $\times$  10 mL) and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford amino alcohol 38a (12 mg, 38%) as a colorless viscous oil: [α]<sup>24</sup><sub>D</sub> -8.9° (c 0.35, H<sub>2</sub>O); IR (neat) 3390, 2969, 2930, 1605 (C=C), 1505, 992 (C-O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz,  $D_2O$ )  $\delta$  5.84 (ddd, 1H, J 17.3, 10.6, 6.0 Hz), 5.40 (d, 1H, J 17.3 Hz), 5.37 (d, 1H, J 10.6 Hz), 4.38 (dd, 1H, J 5.2, 4.4 Hz), 3.25 (m, 1H), 1.67 (m, 1H), 1.55 (m, 1H), 0.96 (t, 3H, J 7.5 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) & 134.3, 119.9, 71.7, 57.6, 21.8, 10.0; FABMS (3-NBA)  $m/z 267 [2(M + H) + H]^+$ , 231  $[2(M - Cl)+H]^+$ , 116  $(M + H - Cl)^+$ , 57; HRFABMS (3-NBA) m/z calcd for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>14</sub>-NO  $(M + H - Cl)^+$  116.1075, found 116.1081.

(-)-(3*S*,4*R*)-4-Amino-6-methyl-1-hepten-3-ol Hydrochloride (38b). Amine hydrochloride 38b (14 mg, 31%), prepared from 13g as for 38a, was obtained as a colorless oil using the procedure described for 38b:  $[\alpha]^{24}_{\rm D} - 11.3^{\circ}$  (*c* 0.20, H<sub>2</sub>O); IR (neat) 3360, 2957, 2932, 1602, 1501, 1050 (C-O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  5.85 (ddd, 1H, *J* 17.2, 10.7, 5.7 Hz), 5.42 (d, 1H, *J* 17.2 Hz), 5.37 (d, 1H, *J* 10.7 Hz), 4.40 (app t, 1H, *J* 5.4 Hz), 3.42 (m, 1H), 1.69-1.10 (m, 3H), 0.91 (d, 3H, *J* 6.5 Hz), 0.88 (d, 3H, *J* 6.5 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  134.2, 119.8, 72.0, 54.2, 37.3, 24.4, 22.8, 21.5; FABMS (3-NBA) *m/z* 323 [2(M + H) - Cl]<sup>+</sup>, 287 [2(M - Cl) + H]<sup>+</sup>, 144 (M + H - Cl)<sup>+</sup>, 85; HRFABMS (3-NBA) *m/z* calcd for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NO (M + H - Cl)<sup>+</sup> 144.1388, found 144.1389.

(-)-*cis*-(*4R*,*5.S*)-5-Ethenyl-4-ethyl-1,3-oxazolidin-2one (**39a**). Oxazolidinone **39a** (12 mg, 77%), prepared from **38a** using the same procedure as for **36**, was obtained as a yellow oil: TLC  $R_f$  0.55 (EtOAc); [ $\alpha$ ]<sup>24</sup><sub>D</sub> -40.6° (*c* 0.7, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 2929, 2879, 1751 (C=O), 1127 (C-O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  6.32 (br s, 1H), 5.91 (ddd, 1H, *J* 17.1, 10.5, 7.9 Hz), 5.46 (d, 1H, *J* 17.1 Hz), 5.38 (d, 1H, *J* 10.5 Hz), 5.05 (app t, 1H, *J* 7.9 Hz), 3.81 (m, 1H), 1.52 (m, 2H), 0.96 (t, 3H, *J* 7.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  159.3, 131.0, 118.8, 80.6, 57.5, 24.1, 10.3; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* 159 (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup>, 142 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 98; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup> 159.1134, found 159.1136; Anal. Calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 59.56; H, 7.85; N, 9.92. Found: C, 59.82; H, 7.96; N, 9.89.

(-)-*cis*-(*4R*,5*S*)-5-Ethenyl-4-(2-methylpropyl)-1,3-oxazolidin-2-one (39b). Oxazolidinone 39b (16 mg, 80%), prepared from 38b using the same procedure as for 36, was obtained as a yellow oil: TLC  $R_f$  0.58 (EtOAc);  $[\alpha]^{24}_D$  -37.1° (*c* 0.3, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 2955, 2871, 1747 (C=O), 1120 (C-O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.89 (ddd, 1H, *J* 17.2, 10.5, 6.5 Hz), 5.45 (d, 1H, *J* 17.2 Hz), 5.38 (d, 1H, *J* 10.5 Hz), 5.34 (br s, 1H), 5.06 (app t, 1H, *J* 7.6 Hz), 3.97 (m, 1H), 1.80–1.15 (m, 3H), 0.98 (d, 3H, *J* 6.5 Hz), 0.92 (d, 3H, *J* 6.5 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  159.3, 131.0, 120.1, 80.6, 53.9, 39.7, 25.1, 23.4, 21.4; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* 187 (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup>, 170 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 126; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup> 187.1446, found 187.1446.

(+)-(**3***R*,**4***S*)-**3**-**Amino-1**-**hexen-4**-**o**l **Hydrochloride** (**40a**). Imino alcohol **13f** (76 mg, 0.27 mmol) was added with stirring to (6 mL) of 1 M HCl/CH<sub>3</sub>OH solution (1:1, v/v). After 15 min, the solution was concentrated *in vacuo*, and the aqueous residue was washed with EtOAc ( $3 \times 10$  mL) and concentrated

under reduced pressure to give **40a** (38 mg, 93%) as a colorless viscous oil:  $[\alpha]^{24}_{D}$  +14.0° (*c* 0.4, H<sub>2</sub>O); IR (neat) 3376, 2968, 2937, 1602, 1503 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  5.82 (ddd, 1H, *J* 17.3, 10.3, 8.1 Hz), 5.48 (d, 1H, *J* 10.3 Hz), 5.40 (d, 1H, *J* 17.3 Hz), 3.83 (m, 1H), 3.73 (m, 1H), 1.46 (m, 2H), 0.89 (t, 3H, *J* 7.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  128.6, 122.7, 72.1, 57.5, 25.8, 9.4; FABMS (3-NBA) *m*/*z* 267 [2(M + H) - Cl]<sup>+</sup>, 231 [2(M - Cl) + H]<sup>+</sup>, 116 (M + H - Cl)<sup>+</sup>, and 57; HRFABMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>14</sub>NO (M + H - Cl)<sup>+</sup> 116.1075, found 116.1067.

(+)-(3*R*,4*S*)-3-Amino-6-methyl-1-hepten-4-ol Hydrochloride (40b). Amine hydrochloride 40b (18 mg, 96%), prepared from 13g as for 40a, was obtained as a white solid: mp 115–117 °C (EtOAc);  $[\alpha]^{24}_{D}$ +17.3° (*c* 0.45, H<sub>2</sub>O); IR (KBr) 3330, 3052, 2952, 2897, 1603 (C=C), 1051 (C-O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  5.76 (ddd, 1H, *J* 17.3, 10.5, 8.2 Hz), 5.39 (d, 1H, *J* 10.5 Hz), 5.33 (d, 1H, *J* 17.3 Hz), 3.87 (m, 1H), 3.70 (m, 1H), 1.61 (m, 1H), 1.26 (m, 1H), 1.13 (m, 1H), 0.80 (d, 3H, *J* 7.0 Hz), 0.77 (d, 3H, *J* 7.0 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (300 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$ 128.6, 122.6, 68.6, 58.0, 41.4, 23.7, 22.5, 20.9; FABMS (3-NBA) *m*/*z* 323 [2(M + H)-Cl]<sup>+</sup>, 287 [2(M - Cl) + H]<sup>+</sup>, 144 (M + H -Cl)<sup>+</sup>, 85, 57; HRFABMS (3-NBA) *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NO (M + H - Cl)<sup>+</sup> 144.1388, found 144.1397. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>18</sub>-CINO: C, 53.46; H, 10.10; N, 7.79. Found: C, 53.19; H, 10.33; N, 7.62.

(+)-*cis*-(4*R*,5*S*)-4-Ethenyl-5-ethyl-1,3-oxazolidin-2one (41a). Oxazolidinone 41a (71 mg, 76%), prepared from 40a using the same procedure as for 36, was obtained as a white solid: mp 55–56 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>); TLC *R*<sub>f</sub>0.48 (EtOAc);  $[\alpha]^{24}_{\rm D}$ +31.4° (*c*0.7, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 2925, 2854, 1748 (C=O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.83 (ddd, 1H, *J* 16.2, 10.5, 7.8 Hz), 5.77 (br s, 1H), 5.34 (d, 1H, *J* 10.5 Hz), 5.30 (d, 1H, *J* 16.2 Hz), 4.56 (m, 1H), 4.30 (app t, 1H, *J* 7.8 Hz), 1.73 (m, 1H), 1.60 (m, 1H), 1.03 (t, 3H, *J*7.4 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  159.3, 133.1, 119.3, 81.6, 58.3, 23.6, 10.1; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* 159 (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup>, 142 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 74; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup> 159.1134, found 159.1135. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>: C, 59.56; H, 7.85; N, 9.92. Found: C, 59.74; H, 7.89; N, 9.95.

(+)-*cis*-(4*R*,5*S*)-4-Ethenyl-5-(2-methylpropyl)-1,3-oxazolidin-2-one (41b). Oxazolidinone 41b (34 mg, 79%), prepared from 40b using the same procedure as for 36, was obtained as a yellow oil: TLC  $R_f$  0.53 (EtOAc);  $[\alpha]^{24}_{D}$  +25.5° (*c* 0.65, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 2958, 2873, 1751 (C=O), 1124 (C-O) cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  6.60 (br s, 1H), 5.78 (ddd, 1H, *J*  17.2, 10.0, 7.6 Hz), 5.25 (d, 1H, *J* 17.2 Hz), 5.24 (d, 1H, *J* 10.0 Hz), 4.70 (m, 1H), 4.25 (app t, 1H, *J* 7.6 Hz), 1.81 (m, 1H), 1.56 (m, 1H), 1.24 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, 3H, *J* 7.0 Hz), 0.89 (d, 3H, *J* 7.0 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75.1 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  159.9, 133.2, 119.0, 78.5, 58.4, 39.1, 24.8, 23.2, 21.7; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* 187 (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup>, 170 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 126; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup> 187.1446, found 187.1439.

(+)-*cis*-(*4R*,5*S*)-4,5-Diethyl-1,3-oxazolidin-2-one (42). Oxazolidinone **41a** (30 mg, 0.20 mmol), 5% Pd/C (20 mg), and MeOH (5 mL) were hydrogenated at 1 atm for 12 h and filtered through Celite. The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure to afford a colorless low melting solid (28 mg, 90%): mp 33–34 °C (CHCl<sub>3</sub>); TLC  $R_f$ 0.43 (hexane–EtOAc, 1:1); [ $\alpha$ ]<sup>24</sup><sub>D</sub>+11.6° (*c* 0.9, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3258 (NH), 2972, 2881, 1748 (C=O), 1028 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.84 (br s, 1H), 4.52 (ddd, 1H, *J* 7.5, 4.3, 4.3 Hz), 3.67 (m, 1H), 1.84–1.41 (m, 4H), 1.08 (t, 3H, *J* 7.4, Hz), 0.98 (t, 3H, *J* 7.4, Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125.8 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  159.4, 82.2, 57.5, 23.2, 22.7, 10.82, 10.79; MS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z 304 (2M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup>, 287 (2M + H)<sup>+</sup>, 161 (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup>, 144 (M + H)<sup>+</sup>; HRMS (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) m/z calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (M + NH<sub>4</sub>)<sup>+</sup> 161.1298, found 161.1294.

Compound **39a** was reduced using the above procedure to give **42** in 85% yield as a low melting colorless solid. Mp 32–33 °C (hexane–EtOAc); mixed mp 32–33 °C (hexane–EtOAc);  $[\alpha]^{24}_{D}$  +11.1° (*c* 0.75, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). All spectroscopic data were identical with the above data.

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