Controlled Double-Bond Migration in Palladium-Catalyzed Intramolecular Arylation of Enamidines

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Palladium-catalyzed intramolecular cyclization of N-(N-tert-butylformimidoyl)-6-[2-(2-iodophenyl)ethyl]-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyridine (1a) and N-(N-tert-butylformimidoyl)-6-[3-(2-iodophenyl)propyl]-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyridine (1b) respectively results in formation of spiro compounds 1'-(N-tertbutylformimidoyl)-3',4'-dihydrospiro[indan-1,2'(1'H)-pyridine] (4a), 1'-(N-tert-butylformimidoyl)-1',6'dihydrospiro[indan-1,2'(3'H)-pyridine] (5a), and 1'-(N-tert-butylformimidoyl)-5',6'-dihydrospiro[indan-1,2'(1'H)-pyridine] (**6a**) and 1'-(N-tert-butylformimidoyl)-3,3',4,4'-tetrahydrospiro[naphthalene-1(2H), 2'(1'H)-pyridine] (4b), 1'-(*N*-tert-butylformimidoyl)-1', 3, 4, 6'-tetrahydrospiro[naphthalene-1(2H),2'(3'H)-pyridine] (5b), and 1'-(N-tert-butylformimidoyl)-3,4,5',6'-tetrahydrospiro[naphthalene-1(2H), 2'(1'H)-pyridine] (**6b**). The double-bond migration process can be controlled, and any of the three double-bond isomers can be prepared by employing proper ligands. A combination of BINAP and the amidine function was required to obtain the isomers 5a and 5b with the double bond in the homoallylic position relative to the aryl group. An electrospray ionization mass spectrometric study was conducted to support suggested reaction intermediates.

Introduction

Palladium-catalyzed arylation of cyclic enol ethers occurs at the α -position with a concomitant migration of the double bond to provide a restored enol ether function on the opposite side of the ring.¹ It was found that cyclic enamides react in a manner similar to cyclic enol ethers and that either of two double-bond isomers could be prepared (Scheme 1).²

The α -aryl piperidine fragment is common in many bioactive compounds and molecules with this structural unit are of importance in the search for new, effective analgesics, anticonvulsants and agents against neurodegenerative disorders.³ Construction of spiro-compounds comprising the α -aryl piperidine fragment⁴ using



intramolecular Heck arylation methodology for the creation of the tetrasubstituted carbon center was envisioned.⁵ This appeared attractive since the double bond, restored after spiro-cyclization, would provide a handle for further selective functionalizations. Cyclization protocols that allow selective synthesis of any of the three double-bond isomers should be of particular value, since such isomers constitute suitable precursors in subsequent structure-activity studies. Therefore, efforts were focused on control of the double-bond migration process. Regioselective palladium-catalyzed β -arylation of enol ethers can be achieved in cases where a palladiumcoordinating auxiliary such as an amine⁶ is attached to the substrate. Furthermore, arylation of the cyclic

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enamide with *o*-iodoaniline as depicted in Scheme 1 results in suppression of double-bond migration.^{2a} We hoped that the nitrogen functionality of amidines, acting either as base⁷ or as a ligand to palladium⁸ accordingly, might enable an intramolecular regioselective quenching of intermediate palladium π -complexes and thereby conceivably provide double-bond migration control. We herein report that palladium-catalyzed cyclization of two model compounds, **1a** and **1b**, provided proper ligands are employed, allows selective preparation of the double-bond isomers **4a**-**6a** and **4b**-**6b**, respectively.

Results

Palladium-Catalyzed Cyclization Reactions. For preparation of the saturated spiro systems 3a and 3b, we started from 1a and 1b, respectively, and employed tri-2-furylphosphine⁹ as ligand. In our initial experiments this ligand, although furnishing an isomer mixture, was found to promote the rate of the cyclization. After 15 h at 80 °C, mixtures of the double-bond isomers **4a**–**6a** and **4b**–**6b** were generated. Hydrogenation of the double bonds was effected under conditions where both the imine bond and the nitrogen-benzylic carbon bond remained intact. Thus, after hydrogenation of the isomer mixtures at 1 atm on Pd/C, 2a and 2b were isolated in 69% and 72% yields, respectively. Hydrogenation for a longer reaction time or under higher pressure led to the accumulation of side products.¹⁰ Subsequent hydrazinolysis gave the secondary amines 3a and 3b (Scheme 2).

For the preparation of each of the double-bond isomers, careful selection of catalytic systems was required. In preparative experiments the enamidine **4a** was obtained in 54% yield by using palladium acetate and potassium carbonate as base at 100 °C. This reaction, conducted in the absence of phosphine ligand, was sluggish and required 96 h for completion (Scheme 3). Although a fair isomer selectivity was achieved under these conditions, it was observed that substituting potassium carbonate for trialkylamines rendered a higher selectivity for **4a** but unfortunately led to considerable decomposition of

the amidines **1a** and **4a** in the reaction medium, and consequently low yields were obtained. Mixtures of trialkylamines and potassium carbonate met with no success, and with proton sponge¹¹ the starting material **1a** in fact decomposed more quickly than **4a** was created. Cyclization of **1b** (Scheme 4) to form the six-membered ring was even slower than the corresponding cyclization of **1a**. A long reaction time was needed, and a major decomposition of the catalytic system had occurred before satisfactory conversion had been achieved. Triphenylarsine¹² was found to be suitable, providing high isomer selectivity and enabling isolation of **4b** in 44% yield. However employing triphenylarsine as ligand in the cyclization of **1a** did not result in any improvement of the yield of **4a**.

While separation of the enamidines 4 from impurities of 5 and 6 was facile, isolation of either of 5 or 6 from a mixture of 5 and 6 was more troublesome with standard chromatographic procedures. Highly selective protocols were needed therefore for preparation of 5 and 6, respectively. An initial screening of ligands¹³ revealed that BINAP¹⁴ produced a 5a/6a ratio higher than 7 and that this ligand was superior to other bidentate ligands (DPPF, DPPB, DPPP, DPPE, DPPM)¹⁵ and monodentate ligands (PPh₃, P(o-tol)₃, AsPh₃, TFP)¹⁶ tested. For the preparative experiments a procedure developed by Shibasaki¹⁷ was adopted and the palladium acetate was pretreated with cyclohexene in the presence of BINAP with triethylamine as base, which provided an excellent 5a/6a ratio (>50). A 54% yield of 5a was isolated after a reaction time of 20 h at 80 °C, and transformation of this compound to 7a was accomplished smoothly by hydrazinolysis (Scheme 3). Cyclization of 1b under identical conditions furnished 5b, isolated in 49% yield, which after subsequent hydrazinolysis afforded 7b (Scheme 4). Low chiral induction (<10% ee) was encountered in cyclizations with (R)-BINAP as ligand.¹⁸

Predominant formation of **6a** and **6b** could be accomplished by using silver¹⁹ or thallium²⁰ additives with triphenylphosphine as ligand while addition of acetate, previously reported to retard the double-bond migration process in related systems,²¹ produced an isomer mixture. Regardless of which silver additive was employed (Ag-NO₃, Ag₂O, Ag₂CO₃, Ag₃PO₄)²² a **6/5** ratio of approxi-

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⁽¹⁶⁾ PPh_3 = triphenylphosphine, $P(o \text{-tol})_3$ = tri-o-tolylphosphine, $P(p\text{-tol})_3$ = tri-p-tolylphosphine, $AsPh_3$ = triphenylarsine, TFP = tri-2-furylphosphine

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mately 10 was obtained at 40 °C with triethylamine as base and triphenylphosphine as ligand. Thallium acetate effected a higher ratio than thallium carbonate or thallium nitrate and with triphenylphosphine as ligand: thallium acetate resulted in a **6**/5 selectivity higher than 30. In the preparative runs thallium acetate/triphenylphosphine was used at 80 °C, which delivered **6a** and **6b** in 79% and 52% yields, respectively. The secondary amines **8a** and **8b** were afforded after hydrazinolysis (Scheme 3 and 4).

Addition of silver nitrate to a reaction where (*R*)-BINAP was employed resulted in formation of essentially racemic **5b** and **4b** in a ratio of 2:1 as the major products, while **6b** was now formed in only minor amounts. In contrast to the negligible enantiomeric excess of **5b** (no detectable enantiomeric excess) and **4b** (<15% ee of (*S*)-**4b**), a 68% enantiomeric excess of (*S*)-**6b** was observed.²³

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idines, developed by Meyers and outlined in Scheme 5, was adopted.²⁴ The enamidine **9** was obtained after lithiation of *N*-(*N*-tert-butylformimidoyl)piperidine,¹⁰ phenylselenation, and subsequent elimination. Compound **9** was lithiated at -78 °C with *tert*-butyllithium. Pentynylcopper was added thereafter followed by the alkylating agent **10a**, and **1a** was isolated eventually in 54% yield. Conversion to the organocopper compound was necessary, since the alkylation of the lithium reagent was accompanied by a predominant formation of 2-iodostyrene. Compound **1b** was obtained in 71% yield after

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alkylation of the α -lithiated enamidine **9**. The phenylpropyl iodide **10b** was not prone to undergo elimination, and addition of pentynylcopper therefore was not required in this case. The alkylating agents 10a and 10b were synthesized via the mesitylates from the corresponding alcohols.

Initially the palladium-mediated cyclization experiments were conducted with 1a, contaminated with approximately 5% of the corresponding saturated amidine 11. This contamination was deleterious for the cyclization and decomposition of **1a** in fact became the predominant reaction. For successful cyclizations therefore it was crucial to start with pure material (>99%). The saturated amidine 11 was derived from an incomplete α -lithiation/phenylselenation of the starting material, N-(Ntert-butylformimidoyl)piperidine. We took advantage of the higher solubility in methylene chloride of the hydrochloride salt of the α -phenylseleno derivative as compared to the salt of *N*-(*N*-tert-butylformimidoyl)piperidine for an efficient and convenient purification of the former.

Discussion

Prior to the intramolecular arylation of 1a and 1b, reduction of Pd(II) to Pd(0)²⁵ and subsequent oxidative addition²⁶ occurs. The isomers 4a and 4b are afforded thereafter presumably via generation of a π -complex, insertion, and consecutive β -eliminations/readditions²⁷ of neutral hydridopalladium iodide species. For a satisfactory turnover in the conversion of 1b to 4b, triphenylarsine, with the characteristic feature of stabilizing Pd(0) but binding less strongly than triphenylphosphine to Pd-(II) species,²⁸ was employed in order to enhance the reaction rate. Silver and thallium additives used for the preparation of 6a and 6b have been suggested to abstract the iodide from the oxidative addition complex,²⁹ which after π -complex formation and insertion results in a charged σ -complex. The complex is prone to decomplexation after β -elimination,³⁰ and accordingly the isomers 6a and 6b ought to arise from such processes.

To explain the formation of **5a** and **5b**, the formamidine function has to be taken into account since intramolecular cyclizations of enamides did not lead to formation of the corresponding analogues with the double bond in the homoallylic position in relation to the aryl group. The formation of 5 probably proceeds by an initial formation of an oxidative addition complex where the coordination sites are occupied by the amidine nitrogen, the iodo atom, and one of the two phosphines of BINAP.³¹ The subsequent generation of the palladium π -complex we assume occurs after displacement of the amidine nitrogen for the double bond (Scheme 6). Insertion leads to a crowded tricoordinated σ -complex (a) which is not prone to coordinate the second phosphine of BINAP of steric reasons.³² After β -hydride elimination and readdition, a new tricoordinated species is created and occupation of the forth coordination site by the second phosphine of BINAP is now sterically allowed (b). With BINAP as a cis-coordinating ligand and the nucleophilic iodo atom ligated to the palladium, we assume that the β -elimination creates an unstable pentavalent species (c).³³ Amidine-promoted hydrogen abstraction^{2a} from this complex and subsequent dissociation or alternatively an olefinamidine nitrogen ligand exchange could be responsible for liberation of the double-bond isomer 5 (d).

The negligible enantiomeric excess observed also after addition of silver ions can be attributed to amidine coordination to the oxidative addition complex. The enantiomeric excess encountered with the minor isomer 6 (68% ee) should arise from dissociation of palladium (*R*)-BINAP complex from the π -complex of the *S*-isomer. This dissociation seems to be promoted by the amidine functionality, since the corresponding enamide results in a very low enantiomeric excess (8% ee) of the corresponding isomer.

The very sluggish reaction encountered in the cyclization of 1a contaminated with 11, providing only traces of spiro compounds, we anticipate is attributable to trapping of the catalyst by the amidine functionality of 11. While no cyclization occurred after using a mixture, consisting of a 1a/11 ratio of 3:1, addition of methyl acrylate liberated the catalyst and 1a then provided the cyclized isomers 4a, 5a, and 6a. Compound 11 had been converted to the arylated methyl acrylate derivative 12

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Sampling the reaction mixture 10 min after addition of methyl acrylate revealed the absence of the two above peaks. To gain further support for these structures, reactions with tri-p-tolylphosphine instead of triphenylphosphine as ligand were conducted, which gave signals at *m*/*z*681 and 809 corresponding to 13b and 14b. These results indicate that compound 11 underwent an oxidative addition in the reaction medium and that one of the phosphine ligands had been displaced by the formamidine nitrogen. The m/z 639 and 681 signals are attributed to complexes lacking the iodo atom and could be fragments from 14a and 14b, respectively, formed in the mass spectrometer.^{34a} No corresponding signals derived from the unsaturated **1a** could be assigned in the reaction. However, when starting from pure **1a** a peak at m/z 637 appeared presumably corresponding to the complex 15, which again might have been formed in the mass spectrometer from the corresponding iodo complex. In control experiments omitting either the palladium or the starting materials 1a and 11, none of the peaks discussed above appear. $^{\rm 35}$

Conclusion

In summary, we have demonstrated that spiro compounds comprising the α -aryl piperidine fragment can be constructed by intramolecular cyclization of enamidines. The concomitant double-bond isomerization can be controlled, and any of three double-bond isomers was prepared selectively by employing proper ligands. A combination of BINAP and the amidine function was required to obtain the isomers with the double bond in the homoallylic position to the aryl group. We suggest that this isomer is delivered after quenching of the corresponding pentavalent BINAP hydridopalladium iodide π -complex by the amidine nitrogen either by proton transfer or by amidine-promoted nitrogen-olefin exchange. In the oxidative addition complex, the amidine nitrogen acts as a ligand to palladium as supported by an electrospray ionization mass spectrometric study and no chiral induction is achieved with (*R*)-BINAP.

Experimental Section

General Methods. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 270 and 67.8 MHz, respectively. Tetramethylsilane was used as internal standard. Peak assignments of the spiro compounds were made by $^{13}C^{-13}C$ and $^{1}H^{-13}C$ correlation experiments. Coupling constants are given as absolute values. Low-resolution electron-impact MS spectra were measured at an ionization potential of 70 eV. The mass detector was interfaced with a gas chromatograph equipped with a HP-1 (25 m \times 0.20 mm) column. Isomers were assumed to have the same response factors. Infrared spectra were recorded on a FTIR spectrophotometer as solutions in CDCl₃ unless otherwise noted. Elemental analyses were performed by Micro Kemi AB, Uppsala, Sweden, or by Analytische Laboratorium, Prof. Dr. H. Malissa, and G. Reuter GmbH, Gummersbach, Germany. Melting points were determined in open capillary tubes in a melting point microscope and are uncorrected. All palladium-catalyzed cyclization reactions were carried out in heavy-walled Pyrex tubes, sealed with a screw cap fitted with a Teflon gasket. Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was carried out on aluminum sheets precoated with silica gel 60 F₂₅₄ (0.2 mm, E. Merck). Column chromatography was performed on silica using kiselgel 60 (0.032-0.065 mm, E. Merck). Preparative thin layer chromatography was carried out on glass sheets precoated with silica gel 60 F_{254} (2.0 mm, E. Merck).

Materials. Triethylamine was distilled from potassium hydroxide prior to use. THF and diethyl ether were distilled from sodium/benzophenone before use. Acetonitrile (CH₃CN) was stored over activated 3 Å molecular sieves and degassed with argon before use. Tri-2-furylphosphine (TFP) (Aldrich), (*R*)-(+)-2,2'-bis(diphenylphosphino)-1,1'-binaphthyl ((*R*)-BI-NAP) (Aldrich), and triphenylarsine (AsPh₃) (Acros Chimica) were used as supplied. Triphenylphosphine (PPh₃) (Merck) was recrystallized from 95% ethanol. Compounds **10a** and **10b**³⁶ were prepared according to a synthetic strategy described elsewhere.³⁷ 2-Iodobenzyl bromide³⁸ was synthesized from 2-iodobenzyl alcohol³⁹ (Aldrich) and used for the preparation of 3-(2'-iodophenyl)propanol.⁴⁰ 2-(2'-Iodophenyl)ethanol⁴¹

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is a known compound, and only previously unreported data are given here. N-(N-tert-Butylformimidoyl)piperidine was prepared as described elsewhere.¹⁰ Pentynylcopper was prepared from pentyne and CuI.⁴² All other reagents were obtained from commercial sources and used as received.

2-(2'-Iodophenyl)ethanol.⁴¹ 2-Iodobenzyl cyanide (34.6 g, 0.142 mol) and 10% aqueous NaOH (103 mL, 0.285 mol) were refluxed overnight. Upon cooling, water (80 mL) was added followed by 50% aqueous H_2SO_4 (80 mL). The reaction mixture was extracted with diethyl ether (4 \times 80 mL), and the combined organic layers were washed with water (4 \times 70 mL), dried (MgSO₄), and concentrated. The crude 2-iodophenylacetic acid, mp 117-118 °C (36.1 g) (mp 118-120 °C³⁸), was dissolved in dry THF (140 mL) and cooled to 5 °C, and boranedimethyl sulfide complex (2 M in THF) (76 mL, 0.152 mol) was added slowly. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight, slowly poured into ice-cold methanol (600 mL) with gentle swirling, and allowed to stand for at least 6 h. The clear solution was concentrated, and the crude product was dissolved in diethyl ether (200 mL), washed with saturated NaHCO₃ (4 \times 50 mL), dried (MgSO₄), and concentrated to yield the alcohol (32.7 g, 93%): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (dd, 1H), 7.32–7.24 (m, 2H), 6.92 (ddd, 1H), 3.85 (t, J =6.7 Hz, 2H), 3.01 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 2.00 (br s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) & 141.0, 139.7, 130.3, 128.4 (2 C's), 100.8, 62.2, 43.7; IR (neat) 3600–3100 cm⁻¹; MS [IP 70 eV; *m/z* (% rel int)] 248 (M⁺, 81), 217 (100), 121 (79), 91 (76).

2-(2'-Iodophenyl)ethyl Mesylate. 2-(2'-Iodophenyl)ethanol⁴¹ (20.4 g, 82 mmol) and triethylamine (17 mL, 123 mmol) were dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (410 mL). Methanesulfonyl chloride (7.0 mL, 90 mmol) was added dropwise at 0 °C under 30 min, and the solution was stirred for 2 h at room temperature. The solution was washed successively with ice–water (2 \times 200 mL), cold 5 N HCl (2×200 mL), saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ $(2 \times 200 \text{ mL})$, and brine $(2 \times 200 \text{ mL})$, dried (MgSO₄), and concentrated to yield 2-(2'-iodophenyl)ethyl mesylate (25.6 g, 96%): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.84 (d, 1H), 7.38–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.03–6.93 (m, 1H), 4.42 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 3.20 (t, J = 6.9Hz, 2H), 2.89 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 139.7, 138.8, 130.6, 129.0, 128.6, 100.3, 68.6, 40.1, 37.3; IR (CDCl₃) 1360, 1175 cm⁻¹; MS [IP 70 eV; *m*/*z* (% rel int)] 326 (M⁺, 9), 230 (100), 217 (32). Anal. Calcd for C₉H₁₁IO₃S: C, 33.14; H, 3.40. Found: C, 33.1; H, 3.2.

3-(2'-Iodophenyl)propyl Mesylate. 3-(2'-Iodophenyl)propyl mesylate was synthesized in 96% yield (8.7 g, 26 mmol) from 3-(2'-iodophenyl)propanol⁴⁰ (7.0 g, 27 mmol) as described above for the synthesis of 2-(2'-iodophenyl)ethyl mesylate: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (d, 1H), 7.32–7.21 (m, 2H), 6.94–6.88 (m, 1H), 4.27 (t, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 3.03 (s, 3H), 2.89–6.83 (m, 2H), 2.12–2.01 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 142.9, 139.6, 129.6, 128.5, 128.2, 100.3, 68.9, 37.4, 36.5, 29.3.; IR (CDCl₃) 1359, 1175 cm⁻¹; MS [IP 70 eV; m/z (% rel int)] 340 (M⁺, 23), 244 (100), 217 (31), 117 (64). Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₁₃IO₃S: C, 35.31; H, 3.85. Found: C, 35.6; H, 3.8.

2-(2'-Iodophenyl)ethyl Iodide (10a). 2-(2'-Iodophenyl)ethyl mesylate (31.9 g, 98 mmol) was mixed with NaI (43.8 g, 294 mmol) in acetone (300 mL), and the mixture was refluxed until TLC (SiO₂, pentane) indicated consumption of the starting material. After 3 h water (250 mL) was added and the solution was extracted with diethyl ether (3 × 130 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water (2 × 130 mL), dried (MgSO₄), and concentrated. The product was purified by column chromatography (SiO₂, pentane, R_f 0.49) to yield **10a** (32.4 g, 92%) as a clear oil: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (d, 1H), 7.33–7.22 (m, 2H), 6.98–6.92 (m, 1H), 3.40–3.23 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 143.2, 139.7, 129.8, 128.7, 128.5, 99.9, 44.9, 3.4.; MS [IP 70 eV; m/z (% rel int)] 358 (M⁺, 23), 231 (100). Anal. Calcd for C₈H₈I₂: C, 26.84; H, 2.25. Found: C, 26.9; H, 2.2.

3-(2'-Iodophenyl)propyl Iodide (10b).³⁶ Compound **10b** was synthesized from 3-(2'-iodophenyl)propyl mesylate (42.5g, 0.12 mol) as described above for the synthesis of **10a**. The product was purified by column chromatography (SiO₂, pen-

tane, R_f 0.40) to yield **10b** (42.0 g, 91%) as a clear oil: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.81 (d, 1H), 7.30–7.21 (m, 2H), 6.92–6.86 (m, 1H), 3.21 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.86–2.80 (m, 2H), 2.16–2.06 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 143.0, 139.6, 129.6, 128.4, 128.1, 100.5, 41.2, 33.6, 5.9; MS [IP 70 eV; m/z (% rel int)] 372 (M⁺, 38), 245 (56), 217 (100). Anal. Calcd for C₉H₁₀I₂: C, 29.06; H, 2.71. Found: C, 29.2; H, 2.7.

N-(N-tert-Butylformimidoyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyridine (9).^{24a} To a solution of N-(N-tert-butylformimidoyl)piperidine¹⁰ (18.2 g, 108 mmol) in 4:1 diethyl ether/THF (216 mL) was added slowly t-BuLi (93 mL, 140 mmol, 1.5 M in hexane) at -78 °C. The yellow solution was stirred at -20°C until a white solid had precipitated (2 h). The reaction mixture was cooled to -78 °C, diphenyl diselenide (46 g, 150 mmol) was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred at -78°C for 1 h and then allowed to reach room temperature overnight. The solution was poured into 3 N HCl (1.0 L), washed with diethyl ether (3 \times 250 mL), and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (5 \times 200 mL). The combined CH_2Cl_2 layers were washed with 10% aqueous NaOH (2×200 mL) and stirred with K_2CO_3 (100 g) and Na_2SO_4 (100 g) under argon for 24 h. The reaction mixture was filtered and concentrated. The residue was taken up in 3 N HCl (500 mL), washed with diethyl ether (3×150) , made basic with 20% aqueous NaOH (pH 12), extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (5 \times 150), dried, and concentrated. The crude product was purified by bulb-to-bulb distillation (0.3 mmHg, oven temperature \approx 60 °C) to yield *N*-(*N*tert-butylformimidoyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyridine (12.8 g, 71%). Spectroscopic data was consistent with data described elsewhere.222

N-(N-tert-Butylformimidoyl)-6-[2-(2-iodophenyl)ethyl]-**1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyridine (1a).** To a solution of **9**^{24a} (9.1 g, 55 mmol) in 4:1 diethyl ether/THF (55 mL) was added slowly t-BuLi (47 mL, 71 mmol, 1.5 M in hexane) at -78 °C. The yellow solution was stirred at -20 °C until a white solid had precipitated (2 h). The reaction mixture was cooled to -50°C, pentynylcopper⁴² (10 g, 77 mmol) in THF (55 mL) was added, and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at -20 $^{\circ}$ C for 1 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to -78 $^{\circ}$ C, **10a** (29 g, 82 mmol) was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred at -20 °C overnight. The reaction mixture was filtered, diluted with more diethyl ether, washed several times with aqueous NH₃ (until the aqueous layer no longer was colored blue), and extracted with 3 N HCl (5 \times 100 mL). The combined acidic aqueous layers were extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (5 \times 100 mL). The combined CH₂Cl₂ layers were washed with 5% aqueous NaOH (2×100 mL) and brine (100 mL), dried over 1:1 K₂CO₃/Na₂SO₄, and concentrated to a yellow oil. The crude product was filtered through a pad of SiO₂ eluting with 10% triethylamine in pentane to yield 1a (11.9 g, 54%): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) & 7.92 (s, 1H), 7.81 (dd, 1H), 7.27 (app dt, 1H), 7.15 (dd, 1H), 6.89 (app dt, 1H), 4.59 (t, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.67–3.63 (m, 2H), 2.91–2.85 (m, 2H), 2.55 (app t, 2H), 2.04–1.97 (m, 2H), 1.78–1.69 (m, 2H), 1.21 (s, 9H); 13 C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 145.4, 143.9, 139.5, 137.6, 129.7, 128.4, 128.0, 103.2, 100.3, 53.7, 42.0, 39.6, 33.5, 31.4, 22.6, 21.8; IR (CDCl₃) 1625 cm⁻¹; MS [IP 70 eV; m/z (% rel int)] 396 (M⁺, 48), 381 (6), 339 (13), 312 (7), 186 (100). Anal. Calcd for $C_{18}H_{25}N_2I$: C, 54.55; H, 6.36; N, 7.07. Found: C,54.3; H, 6.4; N, 7.0.

N-(N-tert-Butylformimidoyl)-6-[3-(2-iodophenyl)propyl]-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyridine (1b). To a solution of 9^{24a} (3.3 g, 20 mmol) in 4:1 diethyl ether/THF (40 mL) was added slowly *t*-BuLi (19 mL, 26 mmol, 1.4 M in hexane) at -78 °C. The yellow solution was stirred at -20 °C until a white solid had precipitated (2 h). The reaction mixture was cooled to -78 °C, 10b (11.2g, 30 mmol) was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred at -20 °C overnight. The reaction mixture was poured into 3 N HCl (150 mL), washed with diethyl ether (3×50 mL), and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (5×50 mL). The combined CH₂Cl₂ layers were washed with 1 N NaOH (2 \times 40 mL), dried over 1:1 K₂CO₃/Na₂SO₄, and concentrated to a yellow oil. The crude product was filtered through a pad of SiO₂ eluting with 10% triethylamine in pentane to yield **1b** (5.8 g, 71%): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.80 (d, 1H), 7.77 (s, 1H), 7.26 (app t, 1H), 7.19 (dd, 1H), 6.88 (app dt, 1H), 4.62 (t, J = 3.9 Hz, 1H), 3.66–3.61 (m, 2H), 2.73 (app t,

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N-(N-tert-Butylformimidoyl)-2-[2-(2-iodophenyl)ethyl]piperidine (11). Compound 11 was synthesized from N-(Ntert-butylformimidoyl)piperidine¹⁰ (0.6 g, 3.4 mmol) and **10a** (1.6 g, 6.2 mmol) as described above for the synthesis of 1a. The product was purified by bulb-to-bulb distillation (0.2 mmHg, oven temperature \approx 115 °C) to yield 11 (0.5 g, 34%) as a white solid, mp 50-52 °C: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) & 7.80 (d, 1H), 7.36 (s, 1H), 7.29-7.21 (m, 2H), 6.90-6.84 (m, 1H), 3.76-3.69 (m, 2H), 2.98 (dt, J = 12.7 and 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.68-2.62 (m, 2H), 2.08-1.93 (m, 1H), 1.75-1.59 (m, 6H), 1.44-1.40 (m, 1H), 1.17 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) & 150.9, 144.8, 139.4, 129.3, 128.4, 127.7, 100.4, 53.9, 52.8, 40.8, 38.2, 31.4, 30.7, 28.9, 25.3, 20.1. IR (CDCl₃) 1633 cm⁻¹; MS [IP 70 eV; *m/z* (% rel int)] 398 (M⁺, 39), 383 (80), 314 (33), 168 (100). Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₇N₂I: C, 54.28; H, 6.83; N, 7.03. Found: C, 54.5; H, 6.9; N. 7.0.

1'-(N-tert-Butylformimidoyl)-3',4'-dihydrospiro[indan-1,2'(1'H)-pyridine] (4a). Pd(OAc)₂ (5.6 mg, 0.025 mmol) and K₂CO₃ (138 mg, 1.0 mmol) were mixed in CH₃CN (25 mL) under a stream of argon. 1a (198 mg, 0.50 mmol) was added to the mixture. The reaction mixture was stirred and heated at 100 °C for 168 h. After cooling, the black mixture was poured into saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (60 mL) and extracted with diethyl ether (3 \times 40 mL), the combined ether layers were extracted with 3 N HCl (3 \times 40 mL), and the combined acidic aqueous layers were extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (5 \times 30 mL). The combined CH₂Cl₂ layers were washed with 1 N NaOH, dried K₂CO₃, and concentrated. Purification by preparative TLC (SiO₂, eluting with 10% triethylamine in pentane, R_f 0.55) gave **4a** (72.8 mg 54%) as an oil: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.31–7.16 (m, 5H, Ar-H, H-6'), 6.99 (s, 1H, NCH=N), 4.98-4.89 (m, 1H, H-5'), 3.04-2.82 (m, 2H, H-3), 2.37-2.18 (m, 2H, H-4'), 2.12 (app t, 2H, H-2), 2.19-2.00 (m, 1H, H-3'), 1.80-1.72 (m, 1H, H-3'), 0.96 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 145.5 (NCH=N), 145.4, 143.5 (C-8, C-9), 128.2, 127.1, 125.3, 125.0, 123.7 (C-4, C-5, C-6, C-7, C-6'), 102.8 (C-5'), 67.8 (C-1), 53.5 (C(CH₃)₃), 37.5 (C-2), 33.9 (C-3'), 30.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 29.4 (C-3), 20.2 (C-4'); IR (CDCl₃) 1625 cm⁻¹; MS [IP 70 eV; m/z (% rel int)] 268 (M⁺, 50), 185 (35), 168 (37), 139 (49). Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄N₂: C, 80.55; H, 9.01; N,10.43. Found: C, 80.3; H, 9.1; N, 10.3.

1'-(N-tert-Butylformimidoyl)-3,3',4,4'-tetrahydrospiro-[naphthalene-1(2H),2'(1'H)-pyridine] (4b). Pd(OAc)₂ (9.0 mg, 0.040 mmol) and AsPh₃ (49 mg, 0.16 mmol) were mixed in CH₃CN (25 mL) under a stream of argon. Triethylamine (101 mg, 1.0 mmol) and 1b (205 mg, 0.50 mmol) were added to the mixture. The reaction mixture was stirred and heated at 80 °C for 38 h. Workup as described for 4a and preparative TLC (SiO₂, eluting with 10% triethylamine in isohexane, R_f 0.45) gave 4b (62 mg, 44%): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.29-7.09 (m, 5H, Ar-H, H-6'), 7.04 (s, 1H, NCH=N), 4.93-4.86 (m, 1H, H-5'), 2.86-2.73 (m, 2H, H-4), 2.15-1.68 (m, 8H, H-2, H-3, H-3', H-4'), 0.95 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 147.0 (NCH=N), 139.8, 137.8 (C-9, C-10), 129.1, 127.7, 126.9, 126.4, 125.1 (C-5, C-6, C-7, C-8, C-6'), 102.0 (C-5'), 57.8 (C-1), 53.4 (C(CH₃)₃), 36.3, 32.6, 19.6, 19.0 (C-2, C-3, C-3', C-4'), 30.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.1 (C-4); IR (CDCl₃) 1634 cm⁻¹; MS [IP 70 eV; *m*/*z* (% rel int)] 282 (M⁺, 93), 225 (16), 210 (14), 199 (65), 182 (100), 170 (89), 139 (66), 129 (91). Anal. Calcd for $C_{19}H_{26}N_2{:}\ C,\ 80.80;\ H,$ 9.28; N, 9.92. Found: C, 80.7; H, 9.1; N, 9.9.

1'-(N-tert-Butylformimidoyl)-1',6'-dihydrospiro[indan-1,2'(3'H)-pyridine] (5a). Pd(OAc)₂ (11.2 mg, 0.05 mmol), (*R*)-BINAP (62 mg, 0.10 mmol), triethylamine (101 mg, 1.0 mmol), and cyclohexene (8.2 mg, 0.10 mmol) were mixed under argon in CH₃CN (15 mL) and heated at 60 °C for 3 h. **1a** (198 mg, 0.50 mmol) was added, and the reaction mixture was heated at 80 °C for 20 h. Workup as described for **4a** gave a mixture of **5a** and **4a** (103 mg). Preparative TLC (SiO₂, eluting with 10% triethylamine in pentane, R_f 0.50) gave **5a** (72 mg, 54%) as an oil: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.30–7.26 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 7.21 (s, 1H, NC*H*=N), 5.87–5.80 (m, AB-spectra, 2H, H-4', H-5'), 4.26–4.16 (m, 1H, H-6'), 3.64–3.55 (m, 1H, H-6'), 2.86 (app t, 2H, H-3), 2.70–2.61 (m, 1H, H-3'), 2.16–2.04 (m, 1H, H-3'), 2.07 (app t, 2H, H-2), 0.95 (s, 9H, C(C*H*₃)₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 149.5 (N*C*H=N), 144.6, 143.8 (C-8, C-9), 128.2, 126.9, 125.1, 124.4 (2 C's), 123.0 (C-4, C-5, C-6, C-7, C-4', C-5'), 67.6 (C-1), 53.5 (*C*(CH₃)₃), 43.3 (C-6'), 37.9 (C-3'), 35.7 (C-2), 31.0 (C(*CH*₃)₃), 29.5 (C-3); IR (CDCl₃) 1623 cm⁻¹; MS [IP 70 eV; m/z (% rel int)] 268 (M⁺, 77), 211 (18), 169 (71), 167 (100), 115 (75). Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄N₂: C, 80.55; H, 9.01; N, 10.44. Found: C, 80.4; H, 8.9; N, 10.4.

1'-(N-tert-Butylformimidoyl)-1',3,4,6'-tetrahydrospiro-[naphthalene-1(2H),2'(3'H)-pyridine] (5b). Compound 5b was synthesized from 1b (205 mg, 0.50 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (11.2 mg, 0.050 mmol), (R)-BINAP (62 mg, 0.10 mmol), triethylamine (101 mg, 1.0 mmol), and cyclohexene (8.2 mg, 0.10 mmol) as described above for the synthesis of 5a. Preparative TLC (SiO₂, eluting with 10% triethylamine in isohexane, R_f 0.40) gave **5b** (70 mg, 49%): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.43 (dd, 1H, Ar-H), 7.23-7.11 (m, 4H, Ar-H, NCH=N), 5.92-5.78 (m, ABspectra, 2H, H-4', H-5'), 4.22 (app d, 1H, H-6'), 3.56 (app d, 1H, H-6'), 2.83-2.71 (m, 3H, H-4, H-3'), 2.30-2.18 (m, 1H, H-3'), 1.92–1.57 (m, 4H, H-2, H-3), 0.87 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 151.7 (NCH=N), 139.4, 138.6 (C-9, C-10), 129.1, 128.6, 127.1, 126.5 (C-5, C-6, C-7, C-8), 123.7, 122.8 (C-4', C-5'), 57.7 (C-1), 53.5 (C(CH₃)₃), 43.0 (C-6'), 39.5 (C-3'), 32.4 (C-2), 31.0 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.4 (C-4), 19.6 (C-3); IR (CDCl₃) 1622 cm^-1; MS [IP 70 eV; m/z (% rel int)] 282 (M⁺, 100), 225 (21), 208 (13), 198 (16), 181 (50), 167 (42). Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₆N₂¹/₄H₂O: C, 79.53; H, 9.31; N, 9.76. Found: C, 79.7; H, 9.1; N, 9.5.

1'-(N-tert-Butylformimidoyl)-5',6'-dihydrospiro[indan-1,2'(1'H)-pyridine] (6a). Pd(OAc)2 (5.6 mg, 0.025 mmol), PPh₃ (26 mg, 0.10 mmol), and TlOAc (145 mg, 0.55 mmol) were mixed in CH₃CN (25 mL) under a stream of argon. Triethylamine (101 mg, 1.0 mmol) and 1a (198 mg, 0.50 mmol) were added to the mixture. The reaction mixture was stirred and heated at 80 °C for 17 h. Workup as described for 4a and filtering through a pad of SiO₂ eluting with 10% triethylamine in pentane gave **6a** (106 mg, 79%) as an oil which solidified upon standing, mp 41–44 °C: 1H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.28–7.17 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 6.99 (s, 1H, NCH=N), 5.90 (ddd, J = 9.9, 5.7, and 2.1 Hz, 1H, H-4'), 5.55 (ddd, J = 9.9, 2.2, and 1.0 Hz, 1H, H-3'), 4.32 (ddd, J = 12.9, 5.4, and 1.5 Hz, 1H, H-6'), 3.00-2.81 (m, 3H, H-3, H-6'), 2.46-2.29 (m, 1H, H-5'), 2.28-2.16 (m, 2H, H-2), 2.16-2.02 (m, 1H, H-5'), 0.96 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 149.9 (NCH=N), 145.3, 143.9 (C-8, C-9), 132.8 (C-3'), 128.3, 127.1, 124.8, 124.7 (C-4, C-5, C-6, C-7), 124.3 (C-4'), 69.3 (C-1), 53.1 (C(CH₃)₃), 38.1 (C-2), 37.6 (C-6'), 31.1 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.0 (C-3), 24.6 (C-5'); IR (CDCl₃) 1629 cm⁻¹; MS [IP 70 eV; m/z (% rel int)] 268 (M⁺, 100), 253 (12), 211 (11), 184 (23), 168 (25), 113 (40), 57 (79). Anal. Calcd for $C_{18}H_{24}N_2\!\!:\ C,\,80.55;\,H,\,9.01;\,N,\,10.43.\ Found:\ C,\,80.5;\,H,\,9.1;$ N. 10.0.

1'-(N-tert-Butylformimidoyl)-3,4,5',6'-tetrahydrospiro-[naphthalene-1(2H),2'(1'H)-pyridine] (6b). Compound 6b was synthesized from 1b (205 mg, 0.50 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (9.0 mg, 0.040 mmol), PPh₃ (42 mg, 0.16 mmol), TlOAc (145 mg, 0.55 mmol), and triethylamine (101 mg, 1.0 mmol) as described above for the synthesis of **6a**. Preparative TLC (SiO₂, eluting with 10% triethylamine in isohexane, $R_f 0.40$) gave **6b** (74 mg, 52%) as a light yellow solid, mp 69-71 °C: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.31-7.26 (m, 1H), 7.19-7.08 (m, 3H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 5.90-5.87 (m, 1H), 5.60 (ddd, J = 10.0, 2.7, and 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (app dd, 1H), 2.98 (ddd, J = 13.1, 11.3, and 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.82-2.76 (m, 2H), 2.48-2.35 (m, 1H), 2.13-2.02 (m, 2H), 1.94-1.66 (m, 3H), 0.94 (s, 9H); 13 C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 151.6, 138.5, 137.9, 135.0, 129.3, 128.8, 127.1, 126.4, 123.5, 59.1, 52.9, 35.8, 34.4, 31.1, 29.7, 24.7, 19.0; IR (CDCl₃) 1626 cm⁻¹; MS [IP 70 eV; *m/z* (% rel int)] 282 (M⁺, 100), 267 (29), 225 (23), 210 (23), 182 (29), 170 (43). Anal. Calcd for $C_{19}H_{26}N_2$: C, 80.81; H, 9.28; N, 9.91. Found: C, 80.7; H, 9.2; N, 9.8.

(*E*)-Methyl 3-(2-{2-[*N*-(*N*-tert-Butylformimidoyl)-2-piperidyl]ethyl}phenyl)propenoate (12). Pd(OAc)₂ (2.2 mg, 0.01 mmol), PPh₃ (11 mg, 0.04 mmol), triethylamine (41 mg, 0.4 mmol), and 11 (80 mg, 0.2 mmol) were mixed in CH₃CN (2 mL) under a stream of argon and stirred for 5 min before methyl acrylate (35 mg, 0.4 mmol) was added to the mixture. The reaction mixture was stirred and heated at 80 °C for 22 h. Workup as described for **4a** and filtering through a pad of SiO₂ eluting with 10% triethylamine in 8:1 pentane/EtOAc gave **12** (61 mg, 85%) as an oil: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.99 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 7.58–7.53 (m, 1H), 7.33 (s, 1H), 7.31–7.19 (m, 3H), 6.37 (d, *J* = 15.8, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.74–3.54 (m, 2H), 2.99–2.86 (m, 1H), 2.78–2.64 (m, 2H), 2.05–1.93 (m, 1H), 1.71–1.60 (m, 6H), 1.52–1.36 (m, 1H), 1.16 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 167.3, 150.9, 142.2, 142.0, 132.8, 130.1, 130.0, 126.6, 126.5, 119.1, 53.5, 52.8, 51.7, 41.0, 31.9, 31.3, 30.5, 28.8, 25.3, 20.0; IR (CDCl₃) 1711, 1627 cm⁻¹; MS [IP 70 eV; *m*/*z* (% rel int)] 356 (M⁺, 31), 341 (77), 297 (56), 168 (82), 111 (69), 84 (100). Anal. Calcd for C₂₂H₃₂N₂O₂: C, 74.12; H, 9.05; N, 7.86. Found: C, 74.0; H, 8.9; N, 7.8.

1'-(N-tert-Butylformimidoyl)spiro[indan-1,2'-piperidine] (2a). Pd(OAc)₂ (5.6 mg, 0.025 mmol) and TFP (24 mg, 0.10 mmol) were mixed in CH₃CN (25 mL) under a stream of argon. Triethylamine (101 mg, 1.0 mmol) and 1a (198 mg, 0.50 mmol) were added to the mixture. The reaction mixture was stirred and heated at 80 °C for 19 h. Workup as described for $\boldsymbol{4a}$ and filtering through a pad of SiO_2 eluting with 10%triethylamine in pentane gave a mixture of 4a, 5a, and 6a (106 mg, 79%). The product mixture (50 mg, 0.19 mmol) and 10% Pd/C (20 mg, 0.019 mmol) were mixed in absolute ethanol (5 mL) and stirred under H₂ (1 atm) for 16 h.⁴³ The mixture was filtered through Celite and concentrated. The residue was dissolved in 5 mL of diethyl ether, washed with 10% NaOH (2 \times 1 mL), dried (K₂CO₃), and concentrated to yield **2a** (44 mg, 88%, two steps 70%): ¹Η NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.31-7.24 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 7.09 (s, 1H, NCH=N), 4.14-4.09 (m, 1H, H-6'), 2.84 (t, J = 7.23 Hz, 2H, H-3), 2.70-2.61 (m, 1H, H-6'), 2.25-2.15 (m, 1H, H-2), 2.05-1.98 (m, 1H, H-2), 1.84-1.57 (m, 6H, H-3', H-4', H-5'), 0.93 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) & 151.2 (NCH=N), 146.3, 143.2 (C-8, C-9), 128.0, 126.8, 124.9, 124.0 (C-4, C-5, C-6, C-7), 69.7 (C-1), 53.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 41.5 (C-6'), 37.9, 24.9, 21.6 (C-3', C-4', C-5'), 33.7 (C-2), 31.1 (C(CH₃)₃), 29.7 (C-3); IR (CDCl₃) 1628 cm⁻¹; MS [IP 70 eV; *m/z* (% rel int)] 270 (M⁺, 93), 255 (13), 198 (27), 172 (48), 128 (100), 115 (91). Anal. Calcd for $C_{18}H_{26}N_2$: C, 79.95; H, 9.69; N, 10.35. Found: C, 79.9; H, 9.6; N, 10.3.

1'-(N-tert-Butylformimidoyl)-3,4-dihydrospiro[naphthalene-1(2H),2'-piperidine] (2b). Compound 2b was prepared from 1b (205 mg, 0.50 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (9.0 mg, 0.040 mmol), TFP (37 mg, 0.16 mmol), and triethylamine (101 mg, 1.0 mmol) as described above for the synthesis of 2a to give a mixture of 4b, 5b and 6b, (111 mg, 79%) that was hydrogenated as described above to yield 2b (101 mg, 91%, two steps 72%) as a white solid mp 51–54 °C: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.52 (dd, 1H, Ar-H), 7.22-7.06 (m, 4H, Ar-H, NCH=N), 4.05-4.01 (m, 1H, H-6'), 2.82-2.73 (m, 3H, H-4, H-6'), 2.15-2.07 (m, 1H, H-2), 1.85-1.64 (m, 9H, H-2, H-3, H-3', H-4', H-5'), 0.93 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 152.8 (NCH=N), 141.3, 137.9 (C-9, C-10), 128.8, 128.1, 126.5, 126.2 (C-5, C-6, C-7, C-8), 59.0 (C-1), 53.2 (C(CH3)3), 40.0 (C-6'), 39.6, 24.9, 19.7 (C-3', C-4', C-5'), 31.1 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.5 (C-2), 30.2 (C-4), 20.3 (C-3); IR (CDCl₃) 1626 cm⁻¹; MS [IP 70 eV; *m*/*z* (% rel int)] 284 (M⁺, 100), 269 (23), 227 (35), 212 (30), 128 (57). Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₈N₂: C, 80.23; H, 9.92; N, 9.84. Found: C, 80.2; H, 9.9; N. 9.7.

Spiro[indan-1,2'-piperidine] (3a). 2a (60 mg, 0.22 mmol) was mixed with hydrazine monohydrate (88 mg, 1.62 mmol) and acetic acid (40 mg, 0.66 mmol) in EtOH (3.0 mL) and warmed at 50 °C until TLC indicated consumption of the amidine. The reaction mixture was allowed to cool, concentrated, taken up in 1 N NaOH (5 mL), and extracted with CH_2 - Cl_2 (5 × 2 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (K₂CO₃) and concentrated. The crude product was filtered through a pad of SiO₂ eluting with 10% triethylamine in pentane to yield **3a** (35 mg, 82%). For elemental analyses the amine was converted to the HCl salt, mp 227 °C dec: ¹H NMR

(free amine, CDCl₃) δ 7.39–7.31 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.21–7.18 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 3.02–2.78 (m, 4H, H-3, H-6'), 2.39–2.30 (m, 1H, H-2), 2.09–1.98 (m, 1H, H-2), 1.81–1.58 (m, 7H, H-3', H-4', H-5', NH); ¹³C NMR (free amine, CDCl₃) δ 150.2, 142.6 (C-8, C-9), 127.5, 126.5, 124.6, 123.2 (C-4, C-5, C-6, C-7), 65.8 (C-1), 43.1, 29.5 (C-3, C-6'), 35.9, 35.8, 26.1, 22.2 (C-2, C-3', C-4', C-5'); MS [IP 70 eV; m/z (% rel int)] (free amine) 187 (M⁺, 50), 158 (100), 145 (99), 130 (60), 115 (67). Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₁₇N·HCl: C, 69.79; H, 8.11; N, 6.26. Found: C, 69.7; H, 8.2; N, 6.2.

3,4-Dihydrospiro[naphthalene-1(2*H*),2'-piperidine] (3b). Compound 3b was synthesized from 2b (62 mg, 0.22 mmol) as described above for the synthesis of **3a**. The crude product was filtered through a pad of SiO₂ eluting with 10% triethylamine in pentane to yield 3b (38 mg, 86%). For elemental analyses the amine was converted to the HCl salt, mp 263 °C dec: ¹H NMR (free amine, CDCl₃) δ 7.73 (dd, 1H, Ar-H), 7.22-6.87 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 3.07-2.68 (m, 4H, H-4, H-6'), 2.24-2.15 (m, 1H, H-2), 1.90-1.57 (m, 9H, H-2, H-3, H-3', H-4', H-5'), 1.40 (br s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (free amine, CDCl₃) δ 144.9, 137.0 (C-9, C-10), 128.6, 127.4, 126.2, 126.0 (C-5, C-6, C-7, C-8), 53.9 (C-1), 41.2 (C-6'), 37.4, 26.2, 20.8 (C-3', C-4', C-5'), 30.4 (2 C's, C-2, C-4), 19.7 (C-3); MS [IP 70 eV; m/z (% rel int)] (free amine) 201 (M⁺, 63), 186 (11), 172 (100), 158 (84), 144 (28). Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₁₉N·HCl: C, 70.72; H, 8.48; N, 5.89. Found: C, 70.9; H, 8.4; N, 5.9.

1',6'-Dihydrospiro[indan-1,2'(3'H)-pyridine] (7a). Compound 7a was synthesized from 5a (30 mg, 0.11 mmol) as described above for the synthesis of **3a**. The crude product was filtered through a pad of SiO₂ eluting with 10% triethylamine in pentane to yield 7a (19 mg, 92%). For elemental analyses the amine was converted to the HCl salt, mp 214 °C dec: ¹H NMR (free amine, CDCl₃) δ 7.37–7.34 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.25-7.17 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 5.89-5.85 (m, 2H, AB-spectra, H-4', H-5'), 3.59-3.36 (m, 2H, H-6'), 3.04-2.81 (m, 2H, H-3), 2.36-2.15 (m, 3H, H-2, H-3'), 2.08-1.97 (m, 1H, H-2), 1.68 (br s, 1H, NH); $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR (free amine, CDCl₃) δ 148.6, 142.9 (C-8, C-9), 127.5, 126.4, 126.1, 125.1, 124.7, 123.1 (C-4, C-5, C-6, C-7, C-4', C-5'), 63.1 (C-1), 42.5 (C-6'), 38.5 (C-3'), 35.9 (C-2), 29.4 (C-3); MS [IP 70 eV; m/z (% rel int)] (free amine) 185 (M⁺, 70), 184 (100), 170 (66), 156 (27), 130 (85), 115 (50). Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₁₅N·HCl: C, 70.42; H, 7.27; N, 6.32. Found: C, 70.2; H, 7.1; N, 6.3.

1',3,4,6'-Tetrahydrospiro[naphthalene-1(2H),2'(3'H)pyridine] (7b). Compound 7b was synthesized from 5b (43 mg, 0.15 mmol) as described above for the synthesis of 3a. The crude product was filtered through a pad of SiO₂ eluting with 10% triethylamine in pentane to yield 7b (26 mg, 86%). For elemental analyses the amine was converted to the HCl salt, mp 269 °C dec: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.58 (dd, 1H, Ar-H), 7.21-7.05 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 5.84-5.81 (m, AB-spectra, 2H, H-4', H-5'), 3.59-3.33 (m, 2H, H-6'), 2.81 (app t, 2H, H-4), 2.53-2.45 (m, 1H, H-3'), 2.20-2.05 (m, 2H, H-2, H-3'), 1.91-1.70 (m, 3H, H-2, H-3), 1.53 (br s, 1H, NH); 13 C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 143.4, 137.0 (C-9, C-10), 128.7, 127.2, 126.4, 126.1 (C-5, C-6, C-7, C-8), 125.3, 125.2 (C-4', C-5'), 52.1 (C-1), 41.8 (C-6'), 37.7 (C-3'), 32.4 (C-2), 30.3 (C-4), 19.6 (C-3); MS [IP 70 eV; m/z (% rel int)] 199 (M⁺, 67), 198 (73), 184 (46), 170 (100), 117 (86). Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₁₇N[.]HCl: C, 71.33; H, 7.70; N, 5.94. Found: C, 71.3; H, 7.8; N, 5.6.

5',6'-Dihydrospiro[indan-1,2'(1'*H***)-pyridine] (8a).** Compound **8a** was synthesized from **6a** (40 mg, 0.15 mmol) as described above for the synthesis of **3a**. The crude product was filtered through a pad of SiO₂ eluting with 10% triethylamine in pentane to yield **8a** (23 mg, 82%). For elemental analyses the amine was converted to the HCl salt, mp 176–177 °C: ¹H NMR (free amine, CDCl₃) δ 7.27–7.18 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 5.97 (dt, J = 10.2 and 3.8 Hz, 1H, H-4'), 5.67 (dt, J = 10.2 and 2.1 Hz, 1H, H-3'), 3.16–2.80 (m, 4H, H-3, H-6'), 2.22–2.08 (m, 4H, H-2, H-5'), 1.60 (br s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (free amine, CDCl₃) δ 148.4, 143.5 (C-8, C-9), 133.2, 127.7, 126.2, 125.9, 125.0, 123.8 (C-4, C-5, C-6, C-7, C-3', C-4'), 65.3 (C-1), 40.3, 39.8 (C-5', C-6'), 29.8, 25.5 (C-2, C-3); MS [IP 70 eV; m/z (% rel int)] (free amine) 185 (M⁺, 82), 184 (83), 170 (43), 156

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(100), 141 (33), 128 (69), 115 (73). Anal. Calcd for $C_{13}H_{15}N_{-}HCl:$ C, 70.42; H, 7.27; N, 6.32. Found: C, 70.2; H, 7.3; N, 6.3.

3,4,5',6'-Tetrahydrospiro[naphthalene-1(2*H***),2'(1'***H***)-pyridine] (8b).** Compound **8b** was synthesized from **6b** (68 mg, 0.24 mmol) as described above for the synthesis of **3a**. The crude product was filtered through a pad of SiO₂ eluting with 10% triethylamine in pentane to yield **8b** (43 mg, 90%). For elemental analyses the amine was converted to the HCl salt, mp 238–239 °C: ¹H NMR (free amine, CDCl₃) δ 7.44–7.40 (m, 1H, Ar-H), 7.16–7.07 (m, 3H, Ar-H), 5.96 (dt, J = 10.2and 3.9 Hz, 1H, H-4'), 5.60 (dt, J=10.2 and 1.9 Hz, 1H, H-3'), 2.98 (dd, J = 6.9 and 5.2 Hz, 2H, H-6'), 2.83–2.77 (m, 2H, H-4), 2.21–1.65 (m, 6H, H-2, H-3, H-5'), 1.55 (br s, 1H, NH); ¹³C NMR (free amine, CDCl₃) δ 141.6, 136.6 (C-9, C-10), 135.4 (C-3'), 129.2, 128.5, 126.7, 125.6 (C-5, C-6, C-7, C-8), 125.2 (C-4'), 54.3 (C-1), 38.6, 29.6 (C-4, C-6'), 34.8, 25.7, 18.4 (C-2, C-3, C-5'); MS [IP 70 eV; m/z (% rel int)] 199 (M⁺, 45), 184 (13), 170 (100). Anal. Calcd for $C_{14}H_{17}N\cdot HCl^{\cdot1}{}_{/4}H_2O$: C, 70.00; H, 7.76; N, 5.83. Found: C, 70.3; H, 7.6; N, 5.9.

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