

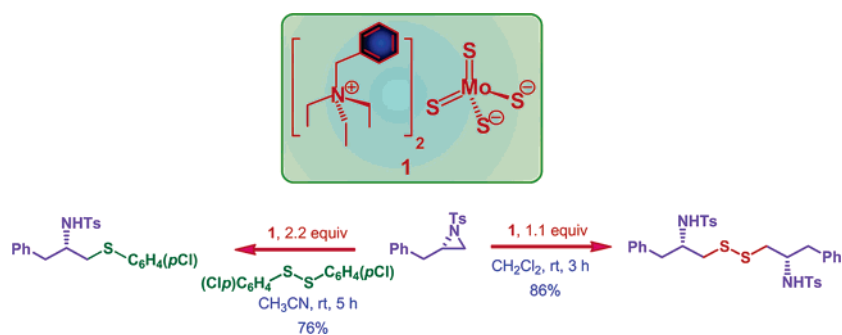
Regio- and Stereospecific Synthesis of β -Sulfonamidodisulfides and β -Sulfonamidodisulfides from Aziridines using Tetrathiomolybdate as a Sulfur Transfer Reagent[‡]

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A comprehensive study of a general and effective one-step procedure for the synthesis of β -sulfonamidodisulfides directly from *N*-tosyl aziridines in a regio- and stereospecific manner under neutral conditions without the use of any Lewis acid or base has been reported. This methodology is extended to the synthesis of an optically pure cyclic seven-membered disulfide **29**. Synthesis of a variety of β -sulfonamidodisulfides involving tandem, multistep reactions in one pot is also reported.

Introduction

Aziridines are versatile intermediates in organic synthesis because of their very high reactivity, ability to function as carbon electrophiles, and utility in the synthesis of biologically active natural products.¹ The most straightforward route for the synthesis of β -sulfonamidodisulfides involves the regioselective ring-opening reaction of aziridines with thiols, and several other procedures have appeared in the literature.² The most common

protocols used in the ring opening of aziridines with thiols are in the presence of Lewis acids such as $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$, ZnCl_2 , $\text{Cu}(\text{OTf})_2$, $\text{Yb}(\text{OTf})_3$, $\text{Ti}(\text{O}^i\text{Pr})_4$, etc. and other Bronsted acids or bases. However, to the best of our knowledge there are not many reports for the synthesis of β -sulfonamidodisulfides from aziridines in a single-step process.³ β -Sulfonamidodisulfide, which has disulfide bridge, is the most important structural motif in a wide range of biologically active peptides and proteins and plays a unique role in the conformation and formation of tertiary structure of peptides.⁴ In a recent communication, we reported our results on the nucleophilic ring opening of various aziridines with benzyltriammonium tetrathiomolybdate⁵ $[\text{BnEt}_3\text{N}]_2\text{MoS}_4$ (**1**) and demonstrated the utility of this methodology for the synthesis of a number of interesting sulfur heterocycles with high regio- and stereocontrol.⁶ In continuation of our investigation into the utility of **1** in organic synthesis, herein we present details of a comprehensive study of a general

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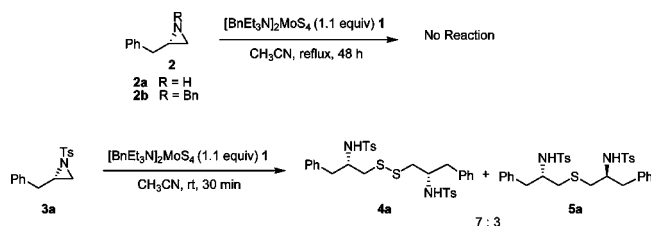
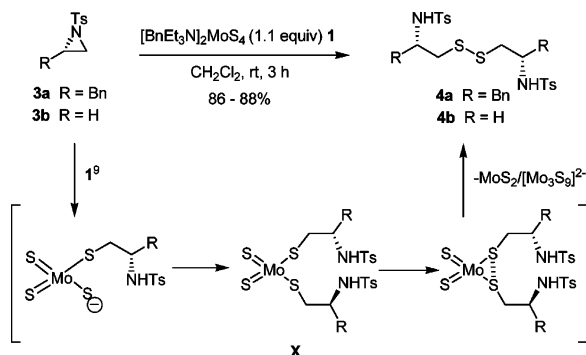
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TABLE 1. Solvent Effect on the Ring Opening of *N*-Tosyl Aziridine **3a**

entry	solvent	temp	time (h)	ratio 4a : 5a	yield (%)
1	THF	rt	48		
2	CH ₃ CN	rt	0.5	7:3	80
3	CH ₃ CN	-10 °C	5	8:2	83
4	CH ₃ CN	-20 °C	7	9:1	84
5	CH ₃ CN	-30 °C	8	9:1	84
6	CH ₂ Cl ₂	rt	3	10:0	86
7	DMF	rt	0.25	7:3	81

SCHEME 1. Nucleophilic Ring Opening of Aziridines Using **1****SCHEME 2.** Mechanism for Formation of β -Sulfonamidodisulfide **4**

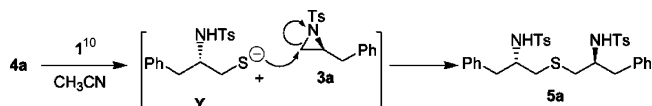
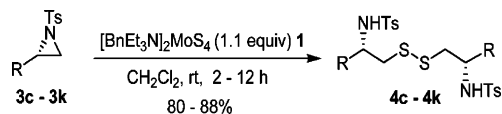
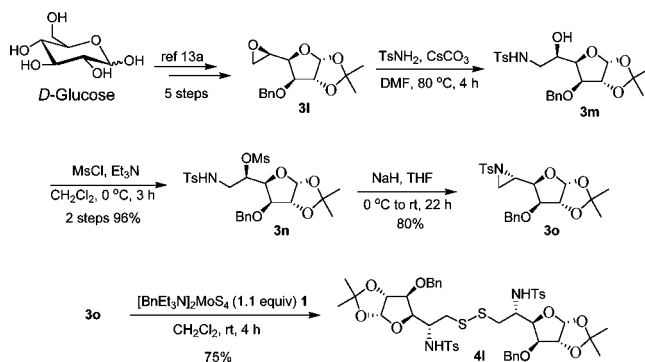
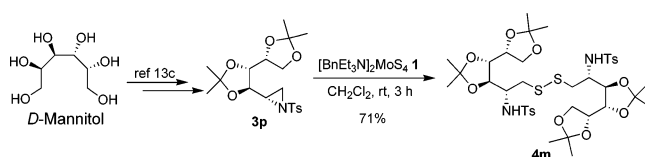
and effective one-step procedure for the synthesis of β -sulfonamidodisulfides **4** directly from *N*-tosyl aziridines **3** in a regio- and stereospecific manner under neutral conditions without the use of any Lewis acid or base. This methodology is extended to the synthesis of a cyclic seven-membered disulfide **29** and a variety of sulfonamidodisulfides involving multistep, tandem reactions.

Results and Discussion

Reaction of Enantiopure *N*-Tosyl Aziridines with Tetrathiomolybdate **1.** Whereas treatment of unactivated aziridines **2a** and **2b** with **1** (1.1 equiv, CH₃CN, 28 °C, 48 h) failed to effect ring opening even under refluxing conditions, the activated *N*-tosyl aziridine **3a** on reaction with **1** (1.1 equiv, CH₃CN, 28 °C, 0.5 h) underwent smooth and clean ring opening in a regioselective manner to afford β -sulfonamidodisulfide **4a** and β -sulfonamidodisulfide **5a** (7:3) in 80% yield (Scheme 1). To avoid the formation of **5a**, reaction conditions were optimized

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(8) It has been tested with other protecting groups (activating groups) such as Boc and Cbz, but the reaction took more time (20 h) in the case of Boc and in the case of Cbz the reaction was incomplete even after 88 h. The *N*-Boc-protected 2,3-disubstituted aziridines failed to undergo ring opening with **1**.

SCHEME 3. Mechanism for Formation of β -Sulfonamidodisulfide **5a****SCHEME 4.** Regiospecific Ring Opening of Monosubstituted Aziridines **3****SCHEME 5.** Regiospecific Ring Opening of *D*-Glucose-Derived Aziridine **3o** with **1****SCHEME 6.** Regiospecific Ring Opening of Carbohydrate-Derived Aziridine **3p** with **1**

using different solvent systems and reaction temperatures (Table 1). When the reaction was carried out in acetonitrile at -30 °C, **4a** and **5a** (9:1) were obtained in 84% yield. By switching the solvent from acetonitrile to dichloromethane (28 °C, 3 h), **4a** was obtained as the exclusive product in 86% yield.

It is reasonable to visualize the nucleophilic attack of reagent **1** on the aziridine **3a** at the less-substituted carbon center in a regioselective manner followed by opening of the second aziridine ring to form an intermediate **X**. The intermediate **X** can then undergo an internal redox process^{5,9,10} to form the β -sulfonamidodisulfide **4a** (Scheme 2). A tentative mechanism for the formation of β -sulfonamidodisulfide **5a** is depicted in Scheme 3. Use of coordinating solvents such as acetonitrile accelerates the formation of β -sulfonamidodisulfide **4a** as well as reductive cleavage of the disulfide bond¹⁰ by **1**, leading to the formation of thiolate intermediate **Y**, which further attacks aziridine **3a** in a regioselective manner to furnish β -sulfonamidodisulfide **5a**.

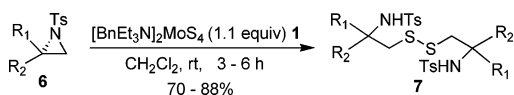
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TABLE 2. Synthesis of Enantiopure β -Sulfonamidodisulfides

Entry	Aziridines	Enantiopure β -sulfonamidodisulfides	Time (h)	Yield (%)
1			2	80
2			2	86
3			4	88
4			4	83
5			3	85
6			5	80
7			4	78
8			3	74
9			12	65

SCHEME 7. Regiospecific Ring Opening of 2,2-Disubstituted Aziridines



The mildness of reaction conditions and the excellent yields of products obtained encouraged us to examine the scope and generality of the present methodology. The results are summarized in Table 2. Starting from optically active aziridines^{7c} (**3c–k**) enantiopure β -sulfonamidodisulfides (**4c–k**) were obtained in good to excellent yields (Scheme 4). In the reaction of **3d** with **1**, although **4d** was the major product, a small amount of monosulfide **5d** was also formed. The structure of monosulfide **5d** was confirmed by X-ray analysis.¹¹

In order to use these *N*-tosyl- β -sulfonamidodisulfides for further transformations, attempts were made to deprotect the

N-tosyl group¹² in the presence of disulfide bond, but the results have not been satisfactory.

Synthesis of Carbohydrate-Derived β -Sulfonamidodisulfides. To expand the scope of this methodology to the study of other aziridines having different functionality and complexity, D-glucose-derived aziridine **3o** was synthesized from the epoxide **3l**^{3a} in three steps (Scheme 5). D-Glucose- and D-mannitol-derived aziridines¹³ **3o** and **3p** were treated with **1** (1.1 equiv, CH₂Cl₂, 28 °C) to afford the corresponding disulfides **4l** and **4m**, respectively, in good yields (Schemes 5 and 6). These

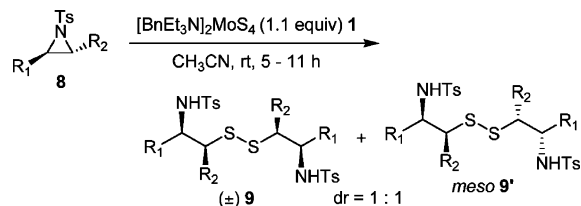
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TABLE 3. Synthesis of *β*-Substituted *β*-Sulfonamidodisulfides

Entry	2,2-Disubstituted Aziridines	<i>β</i> -Substituted <i>β</i> -sulfonamidodisulfide ^a	Time (h)	Yield (%)
1			3	88
2			6	82
3			5	74
4			4	70

^a Isolated as a mixture (1:1) of diastereomers except in the case of **7a**.

SCHEME 8. Regio- and Stereospecific Ring Opening of 2,3-Disubstituted Aziridines **8**

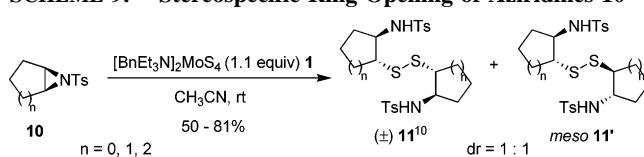


enantiopure disulfide derivatives have the potential to be used as chiral ligands in diethyl zinc addition to aldehydes.¹⁴

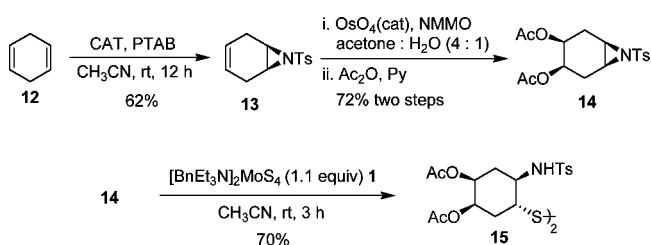
Reaction of Disubstituted *N*-Tosyl Aziridines with Tetrathiomolybdate **1.** When this methodology was applied to the reaction of 2,2-disubstituted aziridines **6**, nucleophilic attack¹⁵ occurred exclusively at the unsubstituted carbon atom to form *β*-sulfonamidodisulfides **7** (dr = 1:1) as expected (Scheme 7). As depicted in Table 3, a series of *β*-substituted *β*-sulfonamidodisulfides **7** could be synthesized in a straightforward manner, allowing some interesting structural diversity. Using this strategy we have demonstrated the synthesis of α -methyl cystinol derivative **7c** and α -methyl homo cystinol derivative **7d** in a single step from the corresponding aziridines¹⁶ **6c** and **6d**, respectively, in good yields (Table 3, entries 3 and 4). The structures of compound **7a** and **7c** were confirmed by single-crystal X-ray analysis.¹¹

Reaction of 2,3-Disubstituted Aziridines with **1.** To demonstrate the stereospecificity in the ring opening of 2,3-disubstituted aziridines with **1**, *meso-N*-tosyl-2,3-diethylaziridine

SCHEME 9. Stereospecific Ring Opening of Aziridines **10**



SCHEME 10. Stereospecific Ring Opening of Cyclic Aziridine **14**



8a¹⁷ was treated with **1** (1.1 equiv, CH₃CN, 28 °C, 8 h) to afford exclusively the *anti-β*-sulfonamidodisulfides **9a** and **9a'** as a diastereomeric mixture (dr = 1:1) in 79% yield. (Scheme 8). In the case of (±)-*trans-N*-tosyl-2,3-diethylaziridine **8b**,¹⁷ *syn-β*-sulfonamidodisulfides **9b** and **9b'** were obtained as a diastereomeric mixture (dr = 1:1) in 82% yield under the same reaction conditions (Table 4). Stereospecificity of this reaction was confirmed by single-crystal X-ray analysis of **9a** and **9b**.¹¹

To assess the regio- and stereospecificity together in the same substrate, (±)-*cis-N*-tosyl-2-isopropyl-3-methylaziridine **8c** was treated with **1** (1.1 equiv, CH₃CN, 28 °C, 11 h) to afford exclusively the *anti-β*-sulfonamidodisulfides **9c**¹¹ and **9c'** as a diastereomeric mixture (dr = 1:1) in 80% yield.⁶ In the case of (±)-*trans-N*-tosyl-2-isopropyl-3-methylaziridine **8d**, the *syn-β*-sulfonamidodisulfides⁶ **9d** and **9d'** were obtained as a diastereomeric mixture (dr = 1:1) in 85% yield under the same reaction conditions. Here, tetrathiomolybdate **1** attacks the aziridines **8c** and **8d** at the less-hindered C2 carbon site in a S_N² fashion with regio- and stereocontrol and with complete inversion (Table 4, entries 3 and 4).

Reaction of Cyclic Aziridines with **1.** This methodology was then extended to study the reaction of aziridines derived from cyclic systems. Reaction of aziridines **10** with **1** (1.1 equiv, CH₃CN, 28 °C, 0.5–48 h, room temperature) led to facile ring opening in a stereospecific manner to afford *trans-β*-sulfonamidodisulfides **11** and **11'** as a diastereomeric mixture (dr = 1:1) in very good yields (Scheme 9). Although the reaction of aziridine **10a** was very fast (0.5 h), in the case of aziridines **10b** and **10c** the reaction was much slower (2 and 12 h, respectively). Interestingly, treatment of **1** with bicyclic aziridine **10d** derived from cyclooctene did not yield any product even after 48 h. This reactivity trend may be attributed to the puckered nature of bicyclic aziridine **10d**; with increasing size of the bicyclic aziridine ring, the nucleophilic attack at the aziridine ring becomes more difficult. To demonstrate selective opening of aziridine ring in the presence of epoxide, aziridino-epoxides¹⁸ **10f–10h** were synthesized from the corresponding 1,4-cyclic dienes using a Sharpless aziridination¹⁶ (1,4-diene, 3 mmol; CAT, 3.3 mmol; PTAB, 0.3 mmol; 15 mL CH₃CN, room temperature, 12 h) followed by epoxidation using *m*-CPBA as an epoxidation reagent.¹⁷ Treatment of aziridino-epoxides **10f–10h** with **1** (1.1 equiv, CH₃CN, room temperature), re-

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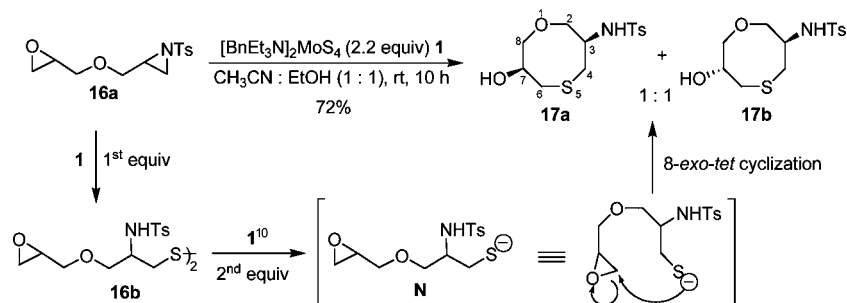
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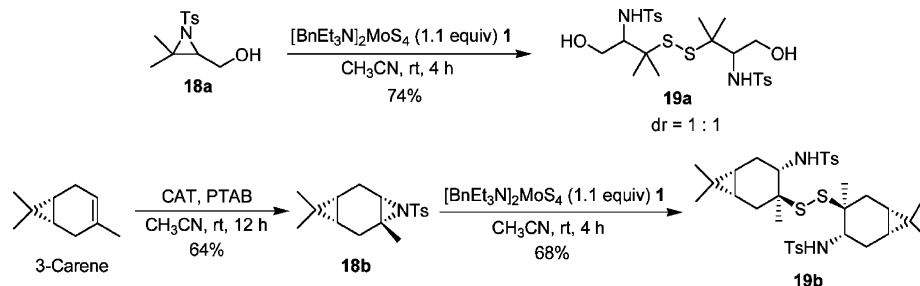
TABLE 4. Synthesis of Disubstituted β -Sulfonamidodisulfides by Regio- and Stereospecific Ring Opening of 2,3-Disubstituted Aziridines 8

Entry	2,3-Disubstituted Aziridines	β -Sulfonamidodisulfides	Time (h)	Yield (%)
1			8	79
2			6	82
3			11	80
4			5	85

SCHEME 11. Tandem Aziridine Opening–Disulfide Formation–Reduction–Cyclization in One Pot



SCHEME 12. Regio- and Stereospecific Ring Opening of Trisubstituted Aziridines




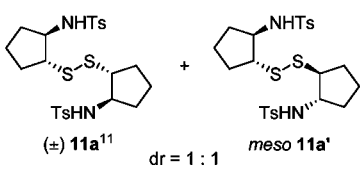

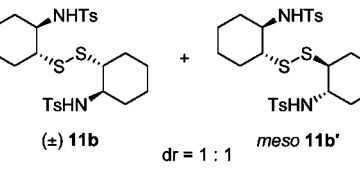

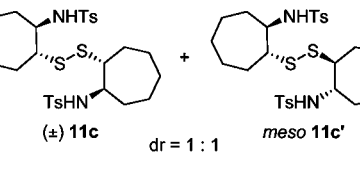



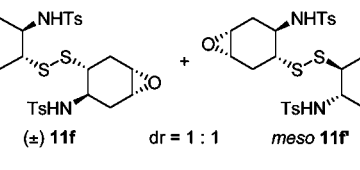

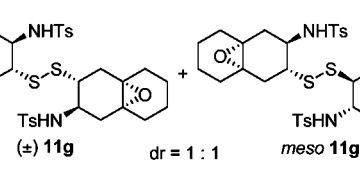

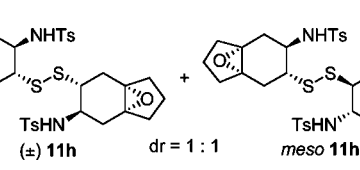
sulting in the exclusive formation of products **11f–11h**, respectively, in good yields (Table 5). The epoxide ring was left untouched under the reaction conditions. In continuation of these studies, aziridine **14**¹¹ was synthesized starting from 1,4-cyclohexadiene by aziridination followed by dihydroxylation¹⁹ and subsequent acetylation (Scheme 10). Reaction of **14** with **1** (1.1 equiv, CH₃CN, room temperature, 3 h) furnished

hydroxy-protected *trans*- β -sulfonamidodisulfide **15** as a diastereomeric mixture (dr = 1:1) in 70% yield (Scheme 10).

These studies could be further extended to the ring opening of both the aziridine and epoxide rings with **1** in the same molecule in a tandem, one-pot operation. Accordingly, (\pm)-aziridino-epoxide **16a** was synthesized from allyl glycidyl ether by Sharpless aziridination.¹⁶ Treatment of **16a** with **1** (2.2 equiv, CH₃CN/EtOH; 1:1, room temperature, 10 h) resulted in the formation of **17a** and **17b** (1:1 ratio) in 72% yield. A tentative mechanism for the tandem aziridine and epoxide ring opening²⁰

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TABLE 5. Synthesis of *trans*- β -Sulfonamidodisulfides

Entry	Cyclic aziridines	Cyclic β -sulfonamidodisulfides	Time (h)	Yield (%)
1	 10a		0.5	81
2	 10b		2	68
3	 10c		12	50
4	 10d	No reaction	48	-
5	 10e	No reaction	48	-
6	 10f		2	78
7	 10g		3	76
8	 10h		2	70

with **1** followed by cyclization to form **17a** and **17b** is presented in Scheme 11. In the first stage, the reaction of **16a** with **1** leads to **16b** resulting from the aziridine ring opening. The intermediate disulfide **16b** undergoes reductive cleavage with **1**¹⁰ to form the thiolate **N**, which then undergoes 8-*exo-tet*-cyclization to give the products.

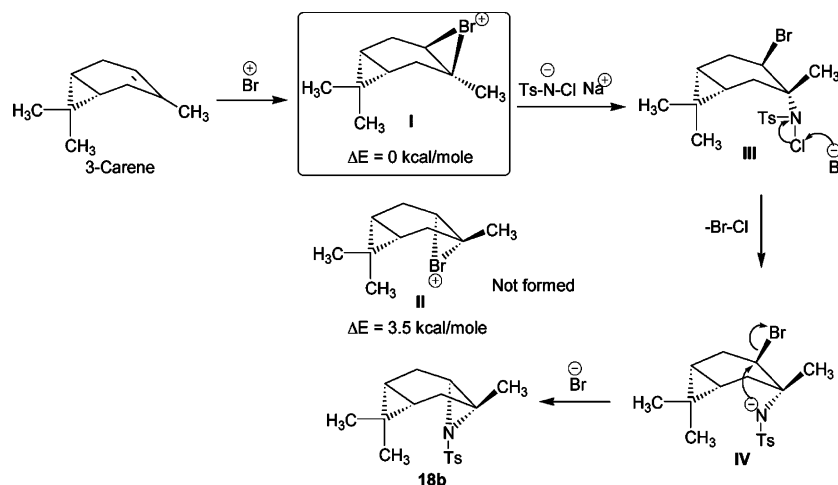
Reaction of 2,2,3-Trisubstituted Aziridines with 1. Next, we studied the ring opening of 2,2,3-trisubstituted aziridines **18** with **1**. The reaction of aziridine **18a** with **1** (1.1 equiv,

CH₃CN, room temperature, 4 h) gave a diastereomeric mixture of **19a** in 74% yield (Scheme 12). This product resulted from aziridine ring opening with **1** at the more hindered site²¹ to form a quaternary carbon center. The structure of this product is supported by the ¹H NMR where the -NH proton appears as a doublet. In order to extend this methodology, we synthesized an optically pure trisubstituted aziridine²² **18b** from Δ^3 -carene using the Sharpless procedure (Scheme 12). Since formation of bromonium ion is the first step in the Sharpless aziridination procedure,¹⁶ in the case of Δ^3 -carene the formation of bromonium ion **I** occurs selectively in a *trans*-fashion and Chloramine-T opens up the bromonium ion **I** from the α -face followed by Br-Cl elimination to generate intermediate **IV**,

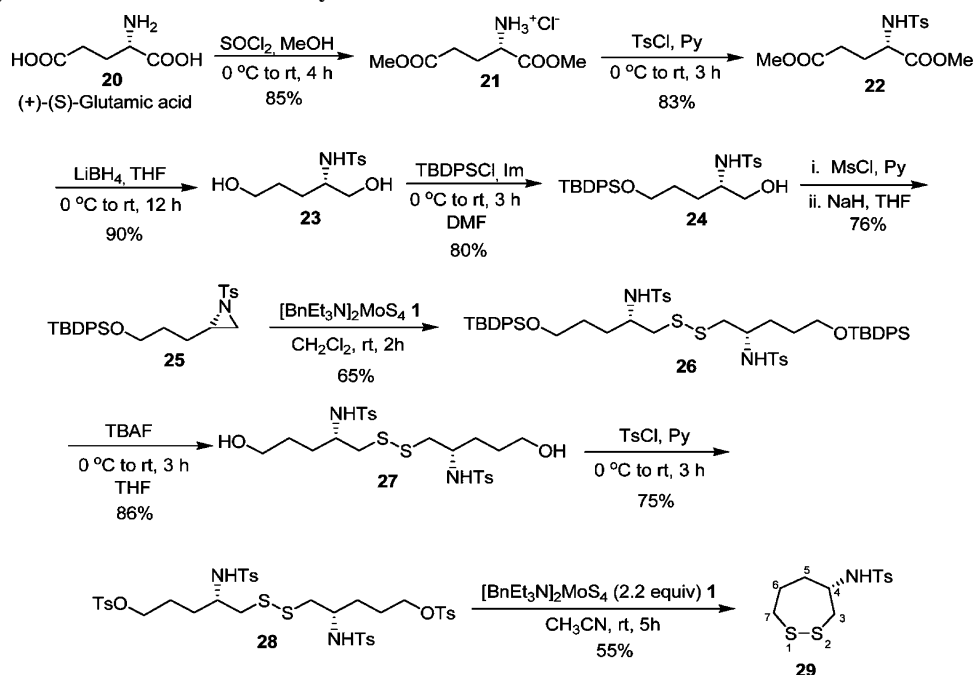
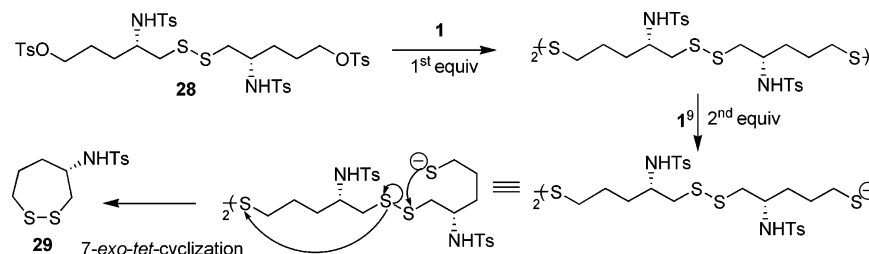
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SCHEME 13. Tentative Mechanism for Formation of *cis*-Aziridino-carene by Sharpless Aziridination

SCHEME 14. Synthesis of Seven-Membered Cyclic Disulfide from L-Glutamic Acid

SCHEME 15. Tentative Mechanism for Formation of **29**

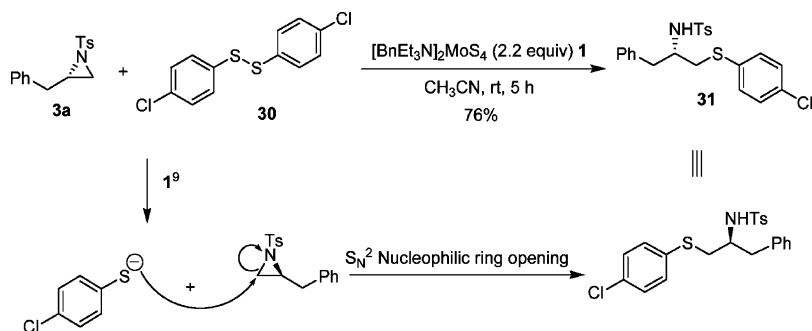
which upon intramolecular substitution forms *cis*-aziridino-carene **18b**. In the catalytic cycle, formation of *trans*-bromonium ion **I** is 3.5 kcal/mol more stable than the corresponding *cis*-bromonium ion, which then leads to the formation of **18b** (Scheme 13).²³ Treatment of **18b** with **1** (1.1 equiv, CH₃CN, room temperature, 4 h) led to the formation of disulfide **19b** in

68% yield via regio- and stereospecific ring opening from the more hindered site as in the case of **18a**. A detailed study of the mechanism of ring opening of trisubstituted aziridines with **1** is under investigation.

Synthesis of Seven-Membered Cyclic Disulfide **29 from L-Glutamic Acid **20**.** This methodology was then extended to

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(23) DFT calculations were carried out on intermediates **I** and **II** using B3LYP method and the 6-31.G(d) level basis set using *Gaussian 98*.

SCHEME 16. Synthesis of β -Sulfonamidodisulfide Involving Tandem, Multistep ReactionsTABLE 6. Synthesis of β -Sulfonamidodisulfides by Tandem, Multistep Reaction Mediated by **1**

Entry	Aziridines	Disulfides	Time (h)	β -Sulfonamidodisulfides	Yield (%)
1	10a	30	4	32 ¹¹	65
2	10b	30	6	33	71
3	10f	30	5	34	66
4	8a	30	8	35	68
5	8b	30	4	36 ¹¹	70
6	8b	37	6	38	70
7	8c	30	7	39	68
8	8d	30	6	40	72
9	10h	30	5	41	68
10	14	30	3	42	71
11	3a	43	4	44 ¹¹	62

the synthesis of disulfide **29**, a potential radiation-protection drug²⁴ starting from (+)-(*S*)-glutamic acid using tetrathiomolybdate **1** as sulfur transfer reagent (Scheme 14). L-Glutamic acid **20** was converted into dimethyl glutamate amine hydrochloride **21**, which was further converted into tosylamino derivative **22** followed by reduction using LiBH₄ in THF for 12 h to furnish (*S*)-2-tosylamino-1,5-pentanediol **23**.²⁵ Selective protection of the hydroxyl group at C-5 of the amino diol **23**

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using TBDPSCI furnished the protected amino alcohol **24**,²⁶ which upon mesylation followed by cyclization afforded aziridine **25** in good yield. Aziridine **25** was converted into β -sulfonamidodisulfide **26** in 65% yield using **1** as sulfur transfer reagent. Deprotection of **26** using TBAF gave diol **27**, which was further converted into ditosylate **28**. Treatment of ditosylate **28** with **1** (2.2 equiv, CH₃CN, 28 °C, 5 h) afforded (–)-(*S*)-1,2-dithiepane-4-amino derivative **29** in 55% yield (Scheme 14). A tentative mechanism for the reaction ditosylate **28** with **1** to form dithiepane derivative **29** is presented in Scheme 15.

Synthesis of β -Sulfonamidodisulfides: Tandem Disulfide Cleavage–Aziridine Ring Opening. Finally, we have demonstrated cleavage of disulfide bonds assisted by **1** and the use of masked thiolate for the synthesis of β -sulfonamidodisulfides involving multistep reactions in a one-pot operation (Scheme 16). It has been shown earlier that disulfide bonds are cleaved in the presence of **1**, involving an induced redox reaction.¹⁰ The results of tandem cleavage of disulfide bonds assisted by **1** followed by aziridine ring opening to provide β -sulfonamidodisulfides are summarized in Table 6. Thus, in the reaction of disulfide **30** with **1** (2.2 equiv, CH₃CN, 28 °C, 3 h) followed by the addition of aziridine **3a**, the corresponding β -sulfonamidodisulfide **31** was obtained as the only product in good yield. Treatment of *trans*-aziridino-epoxide **10f** with *p*-chloro diphenyl disulfide **30** with **1** under similar conditions gave selectively aziridine-opened *trans*- β -sulfonamidodisulfide **34** without affecting the epoxide ring. Finally, to assess the regio- and stereospecificity together in the same substrate, *cis*-aziridine **8c** was treated with disulfide **30** in the presence of **1** to afford exclusively the *anti*- β -sulfonamidodisulfide **39** in 68% yield. In the case of *trans*-aziridine **8d**, the *syn*- β -sulfonamidodisulfide **40** was obtained in 72% yield under the same reaction condition. Solid-state structure and stereochemistry of compounds **32**, **36**, and **44** were confirmed by X-ray crystallography.¹¹

Conclusion

In summary, tetrathiomolybdate **1** provides an easy access to β -sulfonamidodisulfides from aziridines in regio- and stereospecific ring-opening processes under neutral conditions without the use of any Lewis acid or base. Selective aziridine ring opening in the presence of epoxide has also been demonstrated to provide epoxy- β -sulfonamidodisulfides from the aziridino-epoxides. We have achieved the construction of eight-membered ring system **17** from aziridino-epoxide **16a** by

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performing both aziridine and epoxide ring opening in one pot and also the synthesis of optically pure cyclic seven-membered disulfide **29** from L-glutamic acid. Additionally, a number of β -sulfonamidodisulfides were synthesized in a tandem, multistep process in a one-pot operation.

Experimental Section

Synthesis of D-Glucose-Derived Aziridine 3o. The mesylate **3n**^{13b} (0.271 g, 0.5 mmol) was dissolved in dry THF and cooled to 0 °C, followed by the addition of a suspension of freshly washed (hexanes) sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 0.160 g, 4.0 mmol) in THF (3 mL). After 22 h, the reaction mixture was evaporated onto SiO₂, and chromatography on SiO₂ (ethyl acetate/hexanes, 1:9) yielded **3o** as a colorless oil. $R_f = 0.50$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 1:1). Yield: 0.178 g, 80%. $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -60.00$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl₃). IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 1520, 1451, 1329, 1171, 1041, 670 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.83 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.37–7.29 (m, 7H), 5.91 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.70 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.46 (d, $J = 12.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.87 (d, $J = 3.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.74 (dd, $J = 7.4, 3.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.18–3.17 (m, 1H), 2.60 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.03 (d, $J = 4.6$ Hz, 1H), 1.39 (s, 3H), 1.28 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 144.4, 136.9, 134.7, 129.5, 128.5, 128.2, 128.0, 127.9, 111.8, 105.4, 82.2, 81.8, 80.6, 71.8, 38.9, 28.9, 26.7, 26.1, 21.6. HRMS m/z : calcd for C₂₃H₂₇NO₆SNa⁺ [M + Na⁺] 468.1457, found 468.1461.

General Procedure for Ring Opening of Mono- and 2,2-Disubstituted Aziridines with Benzyltriethylammonium Tetrathiomolybdate 1. To a stirred solution of appropriate aziridine (0.50 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (3 mL) was added benzyltriethylammonium tetrathiomolybdate **1** (0.335 g, 0.55 mmol) at room temperature (28 °C). After completion of the reaction (TLC, 2–6 h) the solvent was removed in vacuo, and the black residue was extracted with CH₂Cl₂/Et₂O (1:4, 5 × 20 mL) and filtered through Celite pad. The filtrate was concentrated, and the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (230–400 mesh, eluting with hexanes/ethyl acetate 9:1) to obtain the corresponding β -sulfonamidodisulfides in good yield.

β -Sulfonamidodisulfide 4a. $R_f = 0.60$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 3:7). Yield: 0.138 g, 86%. $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -80.32$ ($c = 12.6$, CH₂Cl₂). IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3263, 1329, 1158, 815, 666 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.58 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.21–7.16 (m, 5H), 6.99–6.96 (m, 2H), 5.11 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.76–3.66 (m, 1H), 2.99 (dd, $J = 13.8, 4.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.90 (dd, $J = 13.8, 6.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.75–2.66 (m, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.2, 136.9, 136.4, 129.6, 129.3, 128.6, 126.9, 126.7, 54.3, 43.2, 39.2, 21.5. HRMS m/z : calcd for C₃₂H₃₆N₂O₄S₄Na⁺ [M + Na⁺] 663.1456, found 663.1466. Anal. Calcd for C₃₂H₃₆N₂O₄S₄: C, 59.97; H, 5.66; N, 4.39; S, 20.01. Found: C, 60.12; H, 5.84; N, 4.58; S, 20.32.

β -Sulfonamidodisulfide 4l. $R_f = 0.60$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 1:1). Yield: 0.179 g, 75%. $[\alpha]_D^{27} = +16.00$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl₃). IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3280, 1513, 1455, 1324, 1160, 1074, 1029, 665 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.69 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.41–7.30 (m, 3H), 7.26–7.20 (m, 4H), 5.71 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.22 (d, $J = 5.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.56 (d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.51 (d, $J = 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.40 (d, $J = 12.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.31 (dd, $J = 7.2, 3.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.95 (d, $J = 3.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.87 (q, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.02 (dd, $J = 14.4, 6.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.83 (dd, $J = 14.4, 4.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.43 (s, 1H), 1.27 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.2, 137.1, 136.7, 129.4, 128.7, 128.2, 127.8, 127.4, 116.1, 111.9, 104.5, 81.9, 81.5, 78.6, 71.4, 52.3, 40.7, 26.7, 26.2, 21.5. HRMS m/z : calcd for C₄₆H₅₆N₂O₁₂S₄K⁺ [M + K⁺] 995.2353, found 995.2373.

β -Sulfonamidodisulfide 4m. $R_f = 0.70$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 1:1). Yield: 0.153 g, 71%. $[\alpha]_D^{27} = +36.00$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl₃). IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3278, 1373, 1336, 1159, 1070, 846, 669 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.76 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz,

2H), 5.10 (d, $J = 9.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.10–4.06 (m, 1H), 3.98 (dd, $J = 13.2, 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.86–3.76 (m, 1H), 3.71 (dd, $J = 8.7, 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.59 (t, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.60 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 3H), 1.38 (s, 3H), 1.33 (s, 1H), 1.31 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.6, 137.9, 129.8, 127.1, 109.8, 109.7, 77.8, 77.4, 76.8, 67.7, 51.9, 39.5, 27.0, 26.9, 26.2, 25.2, 21.5. HRMS m/z : calcd for C₃₈H₅₆N₂O₁₂S₄K⁺ [M + K⁺] 899.2353, found 899.2336.

β -Sulfonamidodisulfide 7c. $R_f = 0.30$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 1:1). Yield: 0.102 g, 74%. Mp: 156 °C. IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3456, 3289, 1512, 1443, 1312, 1223, 1212, 1165, 667 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃/DMSO-*d*₆, 1:1 mixture of diastereomers): δ 7.79 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 4H), 7.31 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 4H), 5.54 (s, 1H), 5.52 (s, 1H), 3.61–3.57 (m, 4H), 3.12 (dd, $J = 27.6, 13.5$ Hz, 4H), 2.78 (bs, 2H), 2.43 (s, 6H), 1.12 (s, 3H), 1.11 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃/DMSO-*d*₆, 1:1 mixture of diastereomers): δ 142.2, 140.1, 128.9, 126.1, 66.4, 59.8, 59.7, 47.3, 20.8, 19.5, 19.4. HRMS m/z : calcd for C₂₂H₃₂N₂O₆S₄Na⁺ [M + Na⁺] 571.1041, found 571.1038. Anal. Calcd for C₂₂H₃₂N₂O₆S₄: C, 48.15; H, 5.88; N, 5.10; S, 23.37. Found: C, 48.24; H, 5.81; N, 5.28; S, 23.42.

General Procedure for the Synthesis of Aziridines.¹⁶ To a mixture of an appropriate olefin (3 mmol) and TsNCINa.3H₂O (CAT) (0.930 g, 3.3 mmol) in CH₃CN (15 mL) was added phenyltrimethylammonium tribromide (PTAB) (0.113 g, 0.3 mmol) at 28 °C. After 12 h of vigorous stirring, the reaction mixture was concentrated, filtered through a short column of silica gel, and eluted with 10% EtOAc in hexanes. After evaporation of solvent, the resultant solid was purified by flash column chromatography to yield the corresponding aziridine.

***cis*-2,3-Diethyl-*N*-tosyl Aziridine 8a.** $R_f = 0.7$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 3:7). Yield: 0.486 g, 64%. Mp: 78 °C. IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 1334, 1162, 948, 716, 682 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.83 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.78–2.71 (m, 2H), 2.44 (s, 1H), 1.58–1.32 (m, 4H), 0.87 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 144.2, 135.4, 129.5, 128.0, 46.7, 21.6, 20.0, 11.6. HRMS m/z : calcd for C₁₃H₁₉NO₂SNa⁺ [M + Na⁺] 276.1034, found 276.1036. Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₁₉NO₂S: C, 61.63; H, 7.56; N, 5.53; S, 12.66. Found: C, 61.75; H, 7.59; N, 5.66; S, 12.78.

***trans*-2,3-Diethyl-*N*-tosyl Aziridine 8b.** $R_f = 0.8$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 3:7). Yield: 0.516 g, 68%. Mp: 122 °C. IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 1321, 1159, 937, 711, 696 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.84 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.64–2.58 (m, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.79–1.69 (m, 4H), 0.93 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.7, 137.9, 129.4, 127.4, 50.9, 23.2, 21.5, 11.7. HRMS m/z : calcd for C₁₃H₁₉NO₂SNa⁺ [M + Na⁺] 276.1034, found 276.1031. Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₁₉NO₂S: C, 61.63; H, 7.56; N, 5.53; S, 12.66. Found: C, 61.82; H, 7.61; N, 5.71; S, 12.62.

***cis*-*N*-Tosyl-aziridino-carene 18b.** $R_f = 0.60$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 3:7). Yield: 0.586 g, 64%. $[\alpha]_D^{27} = +36.00$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl₃). IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 1450, 1321, 1157, 1091, 923, 815 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 3.03 (dd, $J = 7.8, 3.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.28 (q, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.11 (dd, $J = 15.6, 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 1.76 (s, 3H), 1.19 (dd, $J = 15.6, 6.4$ Hz, 1H), 0.98 (s, 3H), 0.85–0.79 (m, 1H), 0.78 (s, 3H), 0.66–0.57 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.3, 138.3, 129.3, 126.9, 51.2, 46.9, 28.3, 27.7, 21.5, 20.5, 19.1, 19.0, 18.9, 18.8, 15.6. HRMS m/z : calcd for C₁₇H₂₃NO₂SNa⁺ [M + Na⁺] 328.1347, found 328.1348.

General Procedure for Ring Opening of 2,3-Disubstituted Aziridines with 1. To a well-stirred solution of appropriate aziridine (0.50 mmol) in CH₃CN (6 mL) was added **1** (0.335 g, 0.55 mmol) at once, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature (28 °C) for 5–11 h. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the black residue was extracted with CH₂Cl₂/Et₂O (1:5, 3 × 10 mL) and filtered through a Celite pad. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to give β -sulfonamidodisulfides in good yields.

anti- β -Sulfonamidodisulfide 9c and 9c'. $R_f = 0.30$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 3:7). Yield: 0.090 g, 80%. Mp: 157 °C. IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3285, 1507, 1456, 1323, 1238, 1201, 1157, 899, 826, 753, 667 cm^{-1} . $^1\text{H NMR}$ (300 MHz, CDCl_3 , 1:1 mixture of diastereomers): δ 7.78 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.76 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 4H), 5.09 (d, $J = 9.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.72 (d, $J = 9.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.25 (m, 2H), 3.16 (m, 2H), 2.41 (s, 6H), 1.92 (m, 2H), 1.31 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H), 1.19 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 3H), 0.83 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 3H), 0.78 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 6H), 0.71 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 3H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (75 MHz, CDCl_3 , 1:1 mixture of diastereomers): δ 143.1, 143.0, 138.7, 138.6, 129.4, 126.9, 63.8, 63.7, 49.7, 30.2, 21.5, 20.9, 18.9, 18.3. HRMS m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{40}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_4\text{Na}^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}^+]$ 595.1769, found 595.1776. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{40}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_4$: C, 54.51; H, 7.04; N, 4.89; S, 22.39. Found: C, 54.71; H, 7.27; N, 5.18; S, 22.13.

syn- β -Sulfonamidodisulfide 9d and 9d'. $R_f = 0.45$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 3:7). Yield: 0.096 g, 85%. Mp: 142 °C. IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3288, 1512, 1463, 1323, 1239, 1207, 1159, 905, 828, 754, 668 cm^{-1} . $^1\text{H NMR}$ (300 MHz, CDCl_3 , 1:1 mixture of diastereomers): δ 7.76 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 4H), 7.28 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 4H), 4.61 (d, $J = 9.9$ Hz, 1H), 4.57 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.37 (m, 2H), 2.89 (m, 2H), 2.41 (s, 6H), 1.97 (m, 2H), 1.20 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 6H), 0.86 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 6H), 0.77 (d, $J = 5.7$ Hz, 6H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (75 MHz, CDCl_3 , 1:1 mixture of diastereomers): δ 143.1, 138.6, 129.4, 127.1, 127.0, 62.4, 62.3, 50.5, 50.4, 30.0, 29.9, 21.5, 20.6, 20.5, 17.9, 17.8, 17.7, 17.6. HRMS m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{40}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_4\text{Na}^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}^+]$ 595.1769, found 595.1780. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{26}\text{H}_{40}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_4$: C, 54.51; H, 7.04; N, 4.89; S, 22.39. Found: C, 54.62; H, 7.24; N, 5.03; S, 22.23.

β -Sulfonamidodisulfide 11a and 11a'. $R_f = 0.30$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 1:1). Yield: 0.110 g, 81%. Mp: 156 °C. IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3268, 1447, 1323, 1159, 1092, 813, 667 cm^{-1} . $^1\text{H NMR}$ (300 MHz, CDCl_3 , 1:1 mixture of diastereomers): δ 7.81 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 4H), 7.31 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 4H), 5.32 (d, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.11 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.59–3.50 (m, 2H), 3.17–3.08 (m, 2H), 2.43 (s, 6H), 2.21–2.05 (m, 2H), 1.99–1.85 (m, 2H), 1.67–1.26 (m, 8H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (75 MHz, CDCl_3 , 1:1 mixture of diastereomers): δ 143.5, 143.4, 137.6, 137.4, 129.7, 129.6, 127.3, 127.2, 60.5, 59.4, 56.5, 55.4, 31.9, 31.8, 30.6, 30.3, 21.8, 21.7, 21.5. HRMS m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{32}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_4\text{Na}^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}^+]$ 563.1143, found 563.1158. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{32}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_4$: C, 53.30; H, 5.96; N, 5.18; S, 23.72. Found: C, 53.51; H, 5.86; N, 5.33; S, 23.89.

Synthesis of Aziridine Derivative 14. OsO_4 (4 mg, 1 mol %) and 50% aqueous solution of *N*-methylmorpholine *N*-oxide (NMMO) (260 μL , 0.56 mmol) were added to a solution of aziridine **13**¹⁶ (272 mg, 1.09 mmol) in acetone/water (4:1, 5 mL) at 0 °C, and the resulting pale yellow reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h, before quenching with solid NaHSO_3 . The resulting mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (10 mL) and filtered through Celite, and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude residue was dissolved in pyridine (5 mL), and acetic anhydride (246 μL , 2.61 mmol) was added slowly at 0 °C. After the reaction mixture stirred for 3 h at room temperature, pyridine was removed under reduced pressure, diluted with diethyl ether (25 mL), and washed with 1 N cold hydrochloric acid. The residue was subjected to column chromatography over silica gel (20% ethyl acetate/hexanes) to afford the aziridine **14** as colorless crystals. $R_f = 0.60$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 3:7). Yield: 0.287 g, 72%. Mp: 122 °C. IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 1749, 1246, 1168, 1048, 666 cm^{-1} . $^1\text{H NMR}$ (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.81 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 4.90 (t, $J = 5.4$ Hz, 2H), 2.98 (s, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.17 (d, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 4H), 2.0 (s, 6H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (75 MHz, CDCl_3 , 1:1 mixture of diastereomers): δ 170.2, 144.4, 135.5, 129.6, 127.5, 67.5, 36.7, 25.4, 21.6, 20.9. HRMS m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_6\text{SNa}^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}^+]$ 390.0987, found 390.0998. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_6\text{S}$: C, 55.57; H, 5.76; N, 3.81; S, 8.73. Found: C, 55.62; H, 5.83; N, 3.96; S, 8.97.

Synthesis of β -Sulfonamidodisulfide 15. To a well-stirred solution of aziridine **14** (0.184 g, 0.50 mmol) in CH_3CN (6 mL) was added tetrathiomolybdate **1** (0.335 g, 0.55 mmol) at once, and

the mixture was stirred at room temperature (28 °C) for 3 h. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the black residue was extracted with $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{Et}_2\text{O}$ (1:5, 3×10 mL) and filtered through a Celite pad. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to give β -sulfonamidodisulfide **15** as colorless oil in good yield. $R_f = 0.70$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 1:1). Yield: 0.140 g, 70%. IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3281, 1743, 1446, 1369, 1246, 1159, 1041, 663 cm^{-1} . $^1\text{H NMR}$ (300 MHz, CDCl_3 , 1:1 mixture of diastereomers): δ 7.78 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 4H), 7.34 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 4H), 5.58 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 5.43 (d, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.18 (bs, 2H), 4.95–4.88 (m, 2H), 3.51 (bs, 2H), 3.38 (bs, 2H), 2.44 (s, 6H), 2.30–2.07 (m, 2H), 2.08–2.02 (m, 16H), 1.79–1.62 (m, 6H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (75 MHz, CDCl_3 , 1:1 mixture of diastereomers): δ 170.1, 170.0, 169.7, 169.6, 143.8, 137.8, 129.9, 126.9, 69.0, 67.6, 67.5, 49.9, 31.8, 21.6, 21.5, 20.9, 20.8. HRMS m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{44}\text{N}_2\text{O}_{12}\text{S}_4\text{Na}^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}^+]$ 823.1675, found 823.1675.

Synthesis of 3-(Tosylamino)-1,5-oxathiocan-7-ol 17. To a stirred solution of aziridino-epoxide **16a** (0.141 g, 0.50 mmol) in $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{EtOH}$ (1:1; 5 mL) was added tetrathiomolybdate **1** (0.669 g, 1.1 mmol) at room temperature (28 °C). After completion of the reaction (TLC, 10 h) the solvent was removed in vacuo, and the black residue was extracted with $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{Et}_2\text{O}$ (1:4, 5×20 mL) and filtered through a Celite pad. The filtrate was concentrated, and the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (230–400 mesh, eluting with hexanes/ethyl acetate 8:2) to obtain compounds **17a** and **17b** as a diastereomeric mixture (1:1). $R_f = 0.70$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 1:1). Yield: 0.114 g, 72%. IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3466, 3273, 1415, 1326, 1158, 1091, 1033, 814, 664 cm^{-1} . $^1\text{H NMR}$ (300 MHz, CDCl_3 , 1:1 mixture of diastereomers): δ 7.77–7.73 (m, 4H), 7.31 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 4H), 5.71 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 5.17 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.98 (dd, $J = 12.3, 3.3$ Hz, 4H), 3.89–3.81 (m, 2H), 3.77 (dd, $J = 11.1, 4.5$ Hz, 2H), 3.66–3.61 (m, 2H), 3.56–3.41 (m, 4H), 3.03 (dd, $J = 15.3, 6.6$ Hz, 2H), 2.91–2.59 (m, 8H), 2.43 (s, 6H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (75 MHz, CDCl_3 , 1:1 mixture of diastereomers): δ 143.7, 143.6, 138.1, 137.8, 129.9, 129.8, 126.9, 126.8, 75.9, 74.6, 74.1, 72.2, 70.3, 67.9, 52.7, 51.7, 40.2, 40.0, 39.1, 38.5, 21.5. HRMS m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_4\text{S}_2\text{Na}^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}^+]$ 340.0653, found 340.0658.

Synthesis of Δ^3 -Carene Derived β -Sulfonamidodisulfide 19b. To a well-stirred solution of *cis*- Δ^3 -carene derived aziridine **18b** (0.50 mmol) in CH_3CN (6 mL) was added **1** (0.335 g, 0.55 mmol) at once, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature (28 °C) for 4 h. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the black residue was extracted with $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{Et}_2\text{O}$ (1:5, 3×10 mL) and filtered through a Celite pad. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to give β -sulfonamidodisulfide **19b** as colorless oil in good yield. $R_f = 0.60$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 3:7). Yield: 0.115 g, 68%. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +46.00$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl_3). IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3280, 1455, 1321, 1159, 813, 669 cm^{-1} . $^1\text{H NMR}$ (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.77 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 4.49 (d, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.39 (dd, $J = 14.7, 8.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.25 (dd, $J = 14.7, 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.05–1.96 (m, 1H), 1.18 (s, 3H), 1.06–0.86 (m, 2H), 0.98 (s, 3H), 0.93 (s, 3H), 0.70–0.54 (m, 2H). $^{13}\text{C NMR}$ (75 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 143.4, 137.4, 129.7, 127.3, 55.6, 54.7, 30.6, 28.1, 25.8, 24.6, 21.6, 20.9, 18.6, 18.5, 15.3. HRMS m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{48}\text{N}_2\text{O}_4\text{S}_4\text{Na}^+ [\text{M} + \text{Na}^+]$ 699.2395, found 699.2382.

N1-[(1S)-4-[1-(*tert*-Butyl)-1,1-diphenylsilyloxy]-1-(hydroxymethyl)butyl]-4-methyl-1-benzene Sulfonamide 24. To a solution of amino diol²⁵ **23** (1 g, 3.7 mmol) in DMF (25 mL) held at 0 °C under argon were successively added imidazole (0.548 g, 8.0 mmol) and *tert*-butyldiphenylsilyl chloride (1.1 mL, 4.1 mmol). After 30 min of stirring at 0 °C, the mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for additional 3 h. The reaction solution was diluted with ethyl acetate (30 mL) and water (30 mL). The layers were separated, and the aqueous phase was extracted with ethyl acetate (2×30 mL). The organic extracts were combined and washed with water (2×30 mL). The resulting residue was

purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (ethyl acetate/hexanes 2:8) to afford compound **24** as a colorless oil. $R_f = 0.40$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 1:9). Yield: 1.51 g, 80%. $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -16.00$ ($c = 2.0$, CHCl₃). IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3502, 3262, 1328, 1162, 672 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.73 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.62–7.59 (m, 5H), 7.43–7.35 (m, 7H), 4.83 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.57–3.45 (m, 4H), 3.25–3.19 (m, 1H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.77 (bs, 3H), 1.55–1.22 (m, 4H), 1.02 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.5, 137.5, 135.5, 133.6, 130.8, 129.7, 127.7, 127.1, 64.9, 63.1, 55.4, 28.3, 28.1, 26.8, 21.5, 19.1. HRMS m/z : calcd for C₂₈H₃₇NO₄SSiNa⁺ [M + Na⁺] 534.2110, found 534.2126.

(2S)-2-(3-[1-(*tert*-Butyl)-1,1-diphenylsilyloxypropyl]-1-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]azirane 25. To a solution of amido alcohol **24** (1 g, 1.96 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) were slowly added pyridine (0.48 mL, 5.9 mmol) followed by mesyl chloride (0.23 mL, 2.9 mmol) at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at 20 °C for 3 h. The reaction mixture was diluted with 30 mL of diethyl ether followed by washing with cold HCl (1 N, 2 × 20). The aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O (3 × 15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (Na₂SO₄) and evaporated to afford a crude residue. It was dissolved in dry THF and cooled to 0 °C followed by the addition of a suspension of freshly washed (hexanes) sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 0.157 g, 4.0 mmol) in THF (3 mL). After 3 h, the reaction mixture was evaporated onto SiO₂, and chromatography on SiO₂ (ethyl acetate/hexanes, 1:9) yielded **25** as a colorless oil. $R_f = 0.70$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 2:8). Yield: 0.739 g, 76%. $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -152.00$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl₃). IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 1324, 1162, 1110, 819, 703 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.80 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.63–7.60 (m, 2H), 7.42–7.29 (m, 8H), 3.58 (t, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 2H), 2.76–2.68 (m, 1H), 2.63 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.06 (d, $J = 4.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.75–1.64 (m, 1H), 1.58–1.32 (m, 3H), 1.02 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 144.4, 135.5, 135.2, 133.8, 129.6, 127.9, 127.6, 62.9, 40.2, 33.8, 29.6, 27.8, 26.8, 21.6, 19.2. HRMS m/z : calcd for C₂₈H₃₅NO₃SSiNa⁺ [M + Na⁺] 516.2005, found 516.2032.

N1-((1S)-4-[1-(*tert*-Butyl)-1,1-diphenylsilyloxy-1-((2S)-5-[1-(*tert*-butyl)-1,1-diphenylsilyloxy-2-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]aminopentyl)disulfanyl]methylbutyl)-4-methyl-1-benzenesulfonamide 26. To a stirred solution of aziridine **25** (0.247 g, 0.50 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (3 mL) was added benzyltriethylammonium tetrathiomolybdate **1** (0.335 g, 0.55 mmol) at room temperature (28 °C). After completion of the reaction (TLC, 2 h) the solvent was removed in vacuo, and the black residue was extracted with CH₂Cl₂/Et₂O (1:4, 5 × 20 mL) and filtered through a Celite pad. The filtrate was concentrated, and the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (230–400 mesh, eluting with hexanes/ethyl acetate 9:1) to obtain the corresponding β -sulfonamidodisulfide **26** as a colorless oil. $R_f = 0.50$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 2:8). Yield: 0.171 g, 65%. $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -50.00$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl₃). IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3276, 1532, 1093, 853, 775, 663 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.73 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 4H), 7.43–7.35 (m, 6H), 7.25–7.21 (m, 2H), 5.08 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.48 (t, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.97 (dd, $J = 13.5$, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (dd, $J = 13.5$, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 1.73–1.14 (m, 5H), 1.02 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.3, 137.8, 135.5, 133.7, 129.7, 127.7, 127.1, 63.1, 53.1, 44.3, 29.7, 28.2, 26.9, 21.5, 19.2. HRMS m/z : calcd for C₅₆H₇₂N₂O₆S₄Si₂Na⁺ [M + Na⁺] 1075.3709, found 1075.3736.

N1-((1S)-4-Hydroxy-1-[(2S)-5-hydroxy-2-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]aminopentyl)disulfanyl] methylbutyl)-4-methyl-1-benzenesulfonamide 27. To a solution of **26** (0.250 g, 0.24 mmol) in THF (3 mL) kept at 0 °C under argon was added a solution of tetra-*n*-butylammonium fluoride (1.0 M) in THF (0.25 mL, 1 equiv). After stirring for 15 min at 0 °C, the reaction mixture was gradually allowed to attain room temperature over 3 h. It was then diluted with EtOAc (0.56 mL) and washed with water (2 × 10 mL). The organic phase was dried over MgSO₄ and evaporated to dryness.

The resultant oily residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (EtOAc/hexanes, 3:7) to afford the diol **27** as a colorless oil. $R_f = 0.50$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 1:1). Yield: 0.118 g, 86%. $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -49.00$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl₃). IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3513, 3272, 1321, 1153, 663 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 5.83 (bs, 1H), 3.53–3.46 (m, 3H), 2.91 (dd, $J = 15.0$, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.71 (dd, $J = 15.0$, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.33 (bs, 1H), 1.75–1.67 (m, 1H), 1.56–1.40 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.5, 137.6, 129.7, 127.1, 62.1, 53.2, 44.2, 29.9, 27.9, 21.6. HRMS m/z : calcd for C₂₄H₃₆N₂O₆S₄Na⁺ [M + Na⁺] 599.1354, found 599.1368.

(4S)-4-[(4-Methylphenyl)sulfonyl]amino-5-[(2S)-2-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]amino-5-[(4-methyl phenyl)sulfonyl]oxy-pentyl)disulfanyl]pentyl-4-methyl-1-benzenesulfonate 28. To a solution of diol **27** (0.115 g, 0.20 mmol) in pyridine (2 mL) cooled to 0 °C was added DMAP (5 mg, 0.04 mmol) and *p*-toluenesulfonyl chloride (0.084 g, 0.44 mmol). After stirring for 15 min at 0 °C and 3 h at room temperature, the solution was diluted with diethyl ether (50 mL) and washed with water (5 mL), cold 1 M HCl (2 × 5 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ (5 mL), and water (5 mL). The organic phase was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. Chromatography on silica gel (10% EtOAc/hexanes) gave the ditosylate **28** as a colorless oil in high purity. $R_f = 0.60$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 3:7). Yield: 0.133 g, 75%. $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -41.00$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl₃). IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3278, 1311, 1156, 669 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.75 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.73 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.29 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 5.17 (d, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.88 (dd, $J = 11.1$, 5.4 Hz, 2H), 3.42 (m, 1H), 2.81 (dd, $J = 14.1$, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (dd, $J = 14.1$, 6.6 Hz, 1H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.68–1.58 (m, 2H), 1.47–1.36 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 144.9, 143.7, 137.6, 132.8, 129.9, 129.8, 127.8, 127.0, 69.8, 52.7, 44.2, 29.4, 24.6, 21.6, 21.5. HRMS m/z : calcd for C₃₈H₄₈N₂O₁₀S₆Na⁺ [M + Na⁺] 907.1531, found 907.1572.

Synthesis of (S)-1,2-Dithiepane-4-amino Derivative 29. To a well-stirred solution of ditosylate **28** (0.13 g, 0.15 mmol) in CH₃CN (6 mL) was added **1** (0.2 g, 0.33 mmol) at once, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature (28 °C) for 5 h. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the black residue was extracted with CH₂Cl₂/Et₂O (1:5, 3 × 10 mL) and filtered through a Celite pad. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to give **29** as colorless oil. $R_f = 0.70$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 3:7). Yield: 0.025 g, 55%. $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -16.00$ ($c = 1.0$, CHCl₃). IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3268, 1331, 1136, 659 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.76 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 2H), 4.86 (d, $J = 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.85–3.75 (m, 1H), 2.91 (dd, $J = 14.1$, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.83–2.69 (m, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.16–2.04 (m, 1H), 2.16–1.75 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.6, 137.9, 129.8, 126.9, 54.2, 47.5, 36.3, 32.9, 22.9, 21.5. HRMS m/z : calcd for C₁₂H₁₇NO₂S₃Na⁺ [M + Na⁺] 326.0319, found 326.0310.

Synthesis of β -Sulfonamidodisulfide 34. To a well-stirred solution of appropriate disulfide **30** (0.5 mmol) in CH₃CN (8 mL) was added **1** (0.609 g, 1.0 mmol) at once, the mixture was stirred at room temperature (28 °C) for 2 h, and to this was added aziridine **10f** (0.133 g, 0.5 mmol). After completion of the reaction (TLC, 3 h) the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure, and the black residue was extracted with CH₂Cl₂/Et₂O (1:5, 3 × 10 mL) and filtered through a Celite pad. The filtrate was concentrated, and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to give β -sulfonamidodisulfide **34** as colorless oil in good yield. $R_f = 0.50$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 3:7). Yield: 0.135 g, 66%. IR (neat) ν_{\max} : 3248, 1336, 1145, 642 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃/DMSO-*d*₆): δ 7.72 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.27–7.22 (m, 4H), 6.39 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.57 (bs, 1H), 3.23–3.20 (m, 1H), 3.03–2.94 (m, 1H), 2.78–2.58 (m, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H), 2.42–2.40 (m, 1H), 2.36 (td, $J = 13.2$, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.41–1.18 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃/DMSO-*d*₆): δ 143.0, 138.2, 135.5, 135.1, 134.2, 129.9, 129.3, 128.8, 69.9, 54.9, 52.3,

48.8, 39.8, 38.4, 21.4. HRMS m/z : calcd for $C_{19}H_{20}ClNO_3S_2Na^+$ [M + Na⁺] 432.0471, found 432.0483.

β-Sulfonamidodisulfide 38. $R_f = 0.60$ (EtOAc/hexanes, 3:7). Yield: 0.127 g, 70%. IR (neat) ν_{max} : 3256, 1462, 1382, 1133, 818, 755, 664 cm^{-1} . ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.66 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 7.29–7.18 (m, 7H), 4.97 (d, $J = 9.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.48–3.39 (m, 1H), 2.85 (td, $J = 7.8, 3.3$ Hz, 1H), 1.61 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H), 1.57–1.26 (m, 4H), 0.90 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.1, 138.3, 135.6, 131.2, 129.6, 129.0, 128.3, 126.9, 58.3, 57.8, 27.2, 22.9, 21.5, 12.3, 10.7. HRMS m/z : calcd for $C_{19}H_{25}NO_2S_2Na^+$ [M + Na⁺] 386.1224, found 386.1213.

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