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# A Formal Synthesis of Porantheridine and an Epimer

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A formal synthesis of porantheridine and a synthesis of its C6-epimer have been completed, employing silver-catalyzed allene cyclization to form a common *cis*-isoxazolidine intermediate and related *N*-acyl iminium ion intermediates for side-chain introduction. The stereochemistry of this step can be controlled by choice of the *N*-protection method.

### Introduction

Porantheridine 1 is a tricyclic piperidine alkaloid isolated from *Corymbosa porantherida*, a shrub native to New South Wales. The structure was determined by X-ray crystallography of the hydrobromide salt.<sup>1</sup> Four syntheses of this natural product have, to our knowledge, been reported.<sup>2</sup> With the continuing interest in the stereoselective synthesis of piperidines,<sup>3</sup> porantheridine makes an interesting target.



Given the presence of a cyclic *N*,*O*-acetal, a reasonable disconnection would lead to a 2,6-*trans*-piperidine, which might be obtained by addition of an appropriate nucleophile

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to a cyclic iminium ion 3, or a derivative, in an axial fashion. A bicyclic N,O-acetal 4 would be a suitable precursor for the iminium ion 3. Given our recent work with N,O-acetals,<sup>4</sup> we felt that an acetal such as 4 would be an appropriate iminium ion precursor, leading to either porantheridine 1 or its epimer 2 according to the preferred conformation of the iminium ion.<sup>5</sup> Such a precursor is essentially a syn-1,3-amino alcohol which could be prepared using the allenic hydroxylamine methodology, an extension of the Claesson cyclization, that we have recently reported.<sup>6</sup> This disconnection also reveals the structural relationship between porantheridine and the sedum alkaloids.<sup>7</sup> We have previously employed the allene methodology in the synthesis of sedamine.<sup>6a</sup> In this paper, we report the realization of this scheme and a formal synthesis of porantheridine 1 and a synthesis of its C6-epimer 2 (numbering from ref 1).

### **Results and Discussion**

(S)-Epichlorohydrin underwent ring-opening with ethylmagnesium bromide in the presence of a copper(I) catalyst (Scheme 1). Reclosing of the epoxide under basic conditions

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yielded (S)-pentene oxide.<sup>8</sup> Ring-opening again with lithium acetylide and Searles-Crabbé homologation<sup>9</sup> gave the desired allenic alcohol 5. Following our previous procedure, the hydroxylamine moiety was installed with inversion by a Mitsunobu reaction with *N*-hydroxyphthalimide,<sup>10</sup> cleavage of the phthaloyl group with hydrazine hydrate, and Nreprotection. Cyclization to isoxazolidine 7 was studied using a range of silver and gold<sup>11</sup> catalysts (Table 1). Cyclization using gold(III) chloride in a dichloromethaneacetonitrile mixture in the presence of calcium carbonate (entry 1), which we have used in carbamate cyclization,<sup>12</sup> and a gold(I) triflate complex<sup>13</sup> (entry 2) resulted in modest diastereoselectivity. Cyclization using gold(I) was notably less selective than gold(III), probably due to the lesser steric demand of the linear gold(I). Cyclization using silver(I) triflate in anhydrous dichloromethane also proceeded with modest diastereoselectivity (entries 3 and 4). A combination of silver nitrate and tetramethylguanidine (TMG) in wet acetone, conditions that we previously used in a synthesis of sedamine,<sup>6a</sup> resulted in a slightly improved diastereoselectivity which showed a modest dependence on the loading of silver (entries 5-9). In contrast, a substantially improved diastereoselectivity was observed using silver(I) tetrafluoroborate in anhydrous dichloromethane. With this catalyst, a dependence on silver loading was also observed. Happily, in this case, selectivity was improved with a lower silver loading (entries 10-12).<sup>14</sup> Thus, the optimum conditions proved to be the use of silver(I) tetrafluoroborate at a loading of 10 mol %. A lower loading of this catalyst resulted in an incomplete

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TABLE 1. Cyclization of Allenic Hydroxylamine 6c

entry	catalyst/ solvent	metal loading (mol %)	yield (%)	ratio
1	AuCl <sub>3</sub> , CaCO <sub>3</sub> , CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> , CH <sub>3</sub> CN <sup>a</sup>	5	76	4.0:1
2	Ph <sub>3</sub> PAuCl, AgOTf	10, 10	86	2.6:1
3	AgOTf, $CH_2Cl_2$	10	99	4.6:1
4	AgOTf, CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	20	95	4.0:1
5	AgNO <sub>3</sub> , TMG, acetone, $H_2O^b$	5	30	ND
6	AgNO <sub>3</sub> , TMG, acetone, $H_2O^b$	10	93	4.8:1
7	AgNO <sub>3</sub> , TMG, acetone, $H_2O^b$	20	97	5.1:1
8	AgNO <sub>3</sub> , TMG, acetone, $H_2O^b$	40	99	5.0:1
9	AgNO <sub>3</sub> , TMG, acetone, $H_2O^b$	60	99	5.4:1
10	AgBF <sub>4</sub> , CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	40	99	4.0:1
11	$AgBF_4, CH_2Cl_2$	20	99	9.0:1
12	AgBF <sub>4</sub> , CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	10	94	11.5:1
<sup><i>a</i></sup> Co that of	ncentration of acetonitrile: 0.165 M. Ag; the ratio of acetone to water is	<sup>b</sup> The loadin 5:1 v/v.	g of TM	G is half

reaction. The *cis* isomer was presumed, on the basis of our previous results,<sup>6a</sup> to be the major isomer in all cases.

The N-O bond was cleaved using a combination of molybdenum hexacarbonyl and sodium borohydride in wet acetonitrile.<sup>15</sup> At this point, the two diastereoisomers could be separated and pure syn-8 obtained. The remaining carbon atoms required for the construction of the piperidine ring were installed by cross-metathesis<sup>16</sup> with acetal 9.<sup>17</sup> The alkene 10, obtained as an inconsequential 8:1 trans/cis mixture of isomers, was hydrogenated over palladium on carbon. Under mildly acidic conditions, PPTS in dichloromethane at room temperature in the presence of molecular sieves, the two ethoxy groups of acetal 11 exchanged with the alcohol and carbamate groups to give bicyclic N,O-acetal 4a. A small amount of the tetrahydropyridine 4b was also formed, and a small amount of starting acetal 11 could be recovered. Use of stronger acids (such as amberlyst 15) led to lower yields due to competing removal of the *t*-Boc group; use of higher temperatures (dichloromethane at reflux, toluene at reflux) resulted in increased proportions of 4b.

Ring-opening of bicyclic N,O-acetal 4a under our previously reported conditions<sup>4a</sup> using titanium tetrachloride and allyltrimethylsilane yielded the allylation product 12 as a mixture of stereoisomers in 64% yield. As is often the case, the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of the Boc-protected piperidine showed broadening due to restricted rotation. As the two isomers were also inseparable by column chromatography, they could not be thoroughly characterized at his stage. After cyclization by treatment with potassium tert-butoxide, sufficient partial (but not complete) separation of the two isomers could be achieved and sharp <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra could be obtained. The ratio of isomers was found to be 9:1. The isomers could be identified by NOESY. The major isomer was found to be the undesired cis isomer 13a from NOE interactions between the methine proton  $\alpha$  to oxygen and the nearest proton  $\alpha$  to nitrogen; an interaction was also observed between the two protons  $\alpha$  to nitrogen. The minor

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## SCHEME 2. Bicyclic N,O-Acetal Ring-Opening



SCHEME 3. Synthesis of epi-Porantheridine



isomer proved to be the desired *trans*-isomer **13b**, characterized by the absence of an NOE interaction between the two protons  $\alpha$  to nitrogen and identical to material prepared later by our modified method (see below). This selectivity may be attributed to the iminium ion adopting conformation **3b** with the existing side chain axial in order to avoid A-strain due to the *t*-Boc group present in conformation **3a** (Scheme 2). Axial delivery of the allyl group then results in the undesired *cis* isomer of **12** being the major product.

Nevertheless, the piperidine 12, as a 9:1 mixture, was taken through to *epi*-porantheridine 2 (Scheme 3) by a simple sequence of cross-metathesis<sup>18</sup> to give a *trans*-unsaturated ketone 14 and hydrogenation of the double bond to give saturated ketone 15. At this point, the two diastereoisomers could be separated by column chromatography. Upon deprotection of the amino group with trifluoroacetic acid, and subsequent neutralization, the material spontaneously cyclized to *epi*-porantheridine 2.

In order to achieve the synthesis of the natural product 1, it was necessary to ensure that the iminium ion intermediate adopted a conformation with the side chain equatorial. Based on the work of Lhommet,<sup>2c</sup> we anticipated that this would become the favored conformation if the side chain and the *N*-protecting group were linked, for instance, by the formation of a cyclic carbamate. Thus, treatment of amino alcohol derivative 11 with potassium *tert*-butoxide gave a cyclic carbamate 16 which, upon acidic treatment, gave bicyclic *N*,*O*-acetal 17. Subjecting this material to our previous allylation conditions yielded a single isomer, subsequently shown to be the desired stereoisomer 13b generated by axial attack, and identical to the minor product of the previous sequence.

### SCHEME 4. Porantheridine Synthesis



Carbamate 13b was converted to acetal 20 by a sequence of cross-metathesis, hydrogenation, and protection (Scheme 4). Acetal 20 is a late intermediate in the syntheses of porantheridine 1 reported by Comins<sup>2b</sup> and by Takahata.<sup>2d,e</sup> The spectroscopic and optical rotation data for our material were in good agreement with the data reported by Comins. A formal synthesis of porantheridine 1 has therefore been completed. Comins' intermediate is obtained in 17 steps and 18% overall yield from (S)-epichlorohydrin. In addition, we have shown that the sense of stereoselectivity of the addition to such *N*-acyl iminium ions can be controlled by choosing either an acylic or an internal protecting group. The synthesis also illustrates the ease with which a functionalized *syn*-1,3-amino alcohol can be constructed using allene cyclization chemistry.

### **Experimental Section**

(3R,5R)-tert-Butyl 5-Propyl-3-vinylisoxazolidine-2-carboxylate 7. AgBF<sub>4</sub> (16.3 mg, 0.083 mmol) was added to a solution of the N-protected hydroxylamine 6 (0.2 g, 0.83 mmol) in dried CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (6 mL) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature in the absence of light for 8 h and filtered through Celite. The filtrate was washed with satd NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution and brine and dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. After filtration, the filtrate was then evaporated in vacuo to give the residue which was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane = 1: 9) to afford a inseparable mixture of trans-7 and cis-7 (trans-7/cis-7 = 1:11.5, 0.188 g, 94%). cis-7: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.82 (1H, ddd, J = 17.0, 10.0, 6.8Hz), 5.21 (1H, d, J = 17.0 Hz), 5.06 (1H, d, J = 10.0 Hz), 4.56 (1H, td, J = 7.2, 7.2 Hz), 3.86 - 3.83 (1H, m), 2.52 (1H, ddd, J =13.1, 7.2, 5.8 Hz), 1.68-1.60 (2H, m), 1.54-1.33 (2H, m), 1.45 (9H, s), 0.91 (3H, t, J = 7.2 Hz);<sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 157.5, 137.8, 114.1, 81.6, 81.0, 62.1, 41.2, 34.4, 28.1 (3C), 19.2, 13.8; IR (neat) 2976, 2965, 1732 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (m/z) 242 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS m/z calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>23</sub>O<sub>3</sub>NNa [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> 264.1576, found 264.1573.

*tert*-Butyl (3*R*,5*R*)-5-Hydroxyoct-1-en-3-ylcarbamate 8. Mo-(CO)<sub>6</sub> (0.24 g, 0.89 mmol) was added to a solution of isoxazolidines 7 (0.20 g, 0.56 mmol) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O (14 mL-2 mL). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 min, and NaBH<sub>4</sub> (25 mg, 0.67 mmol) was added in one portion. The reaction mixture was heated at 90 °C overnight and cooled to room temperature. The suspension was filtered through Celite, washing with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3 × 8 mL). The filtrate was then concentrated in vacuo to afford the crude product which was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane = 1:9) to give *syn*-8 (0.16 g, 78%) and *anti*-8 (14 mg, 7%). *syn*-8: colorless oil; [ $\alpha$ ]<sup>24.8</sup><sub>D</sub> -16.0 (*c* 1.1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 5.77 (1H, ddd, *J* = 17.0, 10.4, 6.1 Hz), 5.19 (1H, d, *J* = 17.0 Hz), 5.10 (1H, d, *J* = 10.4 Hz), 4.71 (1H, br), 4.24 (1H, br), 3.71 (1H, br), 1.64–1.59 (2H, m), 1.48–1.33 (4H, m), 1.45 (9H, s), 0.91 (3H, t, *J* = 6.9 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  155.5, 138.9,

<sup>(18)</sup> Pent-3-en-2-one ( Chiu, P.; Wong, S. T. *Synth. Commun.* **1998**, *28*, 4513) was used due to shipping restrictions on MVK.

114.7, 79.5, 69.4, 51.3, 42.6, 40.0, 28.3 (3C), 18.7, 14.0; IR (neat) 3442, 3345, 2974, 2930, 2872, 1694 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (m/z) 266 [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS m/z calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>25</sub>O<sub>3</sub>NNa [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> 266.1732, found 266.1729.

**Anti-8.** colorless solid; mp 46–47 °C;  $[\alpha]^{24.8}{}_{\rm D}$  +6.1 (*c* 1.1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.83 (1H, ddd, J = 17.0, 10.5, 5.4 Hz), 5.18 (1H, d, J = 17.0 Hz), 5.10 (1H, d, J = 10.5 Hz), 4.75 (1H, d, J = 8.8 Hz), 4.42 (1H, brs), 3.59 (1H, brs), 1.64–1.51 (2H, m), 1.48–1.33 (13H, m), 0.90 (3H, t, J = 6.7 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  156.7, 138.5, 114.4, 79.5, 67.2, 49.3, 43.4, 39.1, 28.3 (3C), 19.0, 14.0.

tert-Butyl (E,5R,7R)-1,1-Diethoxy-7-hydroxydec-3-en-5-ylcarbamate 10. A solution of Grubbs II catalyst (87 mg, 5 mol %) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5 mL) was added to a refluxing solution of compound 8 (0.5 g, 2.06 mmol) and 1,1-diethoxybut-3-ene  $9^{17}$ (1.10 mL, 6.17 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5 mL) in four portions via syringe over 1 h. The mixture was heated at reflux overnight and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane = 2:8) to provide *trans*-10 (0.55 g, 75%) and *cis*-10 (70 mg, 9%) as colorless oils. *trans*-10:  $[\alpha]^{24.8}$  + 3.6 (*c* 1.1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $(300 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta 5.59 (1\text{H}, \text{dt}, J = 15.6, 6.8 \text{ Hz}), 5.48 (1\text{H}, \text{J})$ dd, J = 15.6, 6.4 Hz), 4.72 (1H, br), 4.46 (1H, t, J = 5.7 Hz), 4.21 (1H, br), 3.66-3.58 (3H, m), 3.49-3.44 (2H, m), 2.33 (2H, dd, J = 6.8, 6.8 Hz), 1.60 (2H, dd, J = 6.3, 6.3 Hz), 1.48–1.33 (4H, m), 1.40 (9H, s), 1.17 (6H, t, J = 7.1 Hz), 0.88 (3H, t, J = 6.9 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 155.4, 133.4, 125.7, 102.2, 79.3, 76.6, 61.2 (2C), 50.5, 42.9, 39.9, 36.8, 28.3 (3C), 18.7, 15.2 (2C), 13.9; IR (neat) 3443, 3350, 2974, 2930, 2874, 1694 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (*m*/*z*) 382 [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS *m*/*z* calcd for  $C_{19}H_{37}O_5NNa [M + Na]^+ 382.2569$ , found 382.2566. *cis*-10. colorless oil;  $[\alpha]^{21.9}_{D} - 54.9$  (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR

*cis*-10. colorless oil;  $[\alpha]^{21.9}_{D} - 54.9$  (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.51 (1H, dt, J = 10.0, 5.6 Hz), 5.25 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 10.0 Hz), 4.61 (1H, br), 4.54 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 4.0 Hz), 4.51 (1H, brs), 3.71–3.45 (5H, m, 3.00 (1H, brs), 2.72 (1H, dt, J = 14.0, 8.3 Hz), 2.42 (1H, brs), 1.69 (1H, ddd, J =14.0, 10.0, 4.0 Hz), 1.48–1.28 (4H, m), 1.40 (9H, s), 1.18 (6H, td, J = 7.0, 3.0 Hz), 0.87 (3H, t, J = 6.7 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  155.2, 132.3, 126.3, 102.2, 79.1, 68.0, 62.5, 60.6, 46.0, 43.0, 39.9, 32.5, 28.3 (3C), 18.9, 15.1, 15.0, 14.0; IR (neat) 1689 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (*m*/*z*) 382 [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>37</sub>O<sub>5</sub>NNa [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> 382.2569, found 382.2568.

tert-Butyl (5S,7R)-1,1-Diethoxy-7-hydroxydecan-5-ylcarbamate 11. A suspension of alkenes 10 (0.24 g, 0.67 mmol), palladium on carbon (10%) (35.5 mg, 0.033 mmol), and a trace of calcium carbonate in MeOH (10 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 3 h under  $H_2$  (1 atm). The reaction mixture was filtered through Celite, washing with MeOH ( $5 \times 5$  mL). The filtrate was concentrated to give the product 11 (0.23 g, 95%) as a colorless oil.  $[\alpha]_{D}^{24} = -6.5$  (c 2.3, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  4.61 (1H, brs), 4.46 (1H, t, J = 5.6 Hz), 3.59-3.51 (4H, m), 3.49-3.44 (2H, m), 2.45 (1H, m), 1.79–1.36 (21H, m), 1.19 (6H, t, J = 7.1 Hz), 0.91 (3H, t, J = 6.5 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 156.0, 102.7, 79.4, 70.0, 61.1, 60.9, 49.3, 43.6, 39.8, 35.9, 33.4, 28.4 (3C), 21.0, 18.8, 15.3 (2C), 14.0; IR (neat) 3443, 3343, 2974, 2932, 2872, 1694 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (m/z) 384  $[M + Na]^+$ ; HRMS m/z calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>39</sub>O<sub>5</sub>NNa  $[M + Na]^+$  384.2711, found 384.2726.

(1*S*,3*R*,5*S*)-*tert*-Butyl 3-Propyl-2-oxa-9-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane-9-carboxylate 4a. PPTS (0.36 g, 1.44 mmol) was added to a solution of compound 11 (0.52 g, 1.44 mmol) in  $CH_2Cl_2(10 \text{ mL})$ at room temperature. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 14 h. After water was added, the mixture was extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered through Celite, and concentrated in vacuo to afford the crude product which was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/ hexane = 2: 8) to provide the cyclic *N*,*O*-acetal 4a (0.27 mg, 69%) and tetrahydropyridine **4b** (33 mg, 8%) as colorless oils. Compound **4a**:  $[α]^{23.1}_D - 6.7$  (*c* 1.5, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (mixture of rotamers) 5.78 (brs,) and 5.66 (brs) (1H), 4.45(brd, J = 11.6 Hz) and 4.32 (brd, J = 11.6 Hz) (1H), 3.37–3.31 (1H, m), 2.18–2.20 (2H, m), 1.79–1.60 (3H, m), 1.47 (9H, s), 1.43–1.34 (7H, m), 0.90 (3H, t, J = 7.0 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (mixture of rotamers) 154.7, 80.1 and 79.8, 79.0 and 77.8, 67.3 and 67.2, 44.9 and 43.3, 37.1 and 37.0, 35.2 and 34.6, 30.7 and 30.6, 30.5 and 30.3, 28.3 (3C), 18.6 and 18.5, 14.1 and 14.0, 13.6; IR (neat) 2957, 2936, 2870, 1697 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (*m*/*z*) 269 [M]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>27</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N [M]<sup>+</sup> 269.1985, found 269.1969.

**Compound 4b.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  6.63 (1H, d, J = 8.5 Hz), 4.85–4.82 (1H, m), 4.51 (1H, brd, J = 11.6 Hz), 4.30 (1H, d, J = 3.2 Hz), 3.39–3.33 (1H, m), 2.08–1.99 (2H, m), 1.90–1.78 (1H, m), 1.75–1.65 (2H, m), 1.53–1.15 (5H, m), 1.49 (9H, s), 0.89 (3H, t, J = 6.9 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.9, 124.4, 105.3, 81.1, 69.7, 47.9, 39.9, 39.8, 28.3 (3C), 25.7, 19.0, 17.5, 14.0; IR (neat) 1700, 1650 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (*m/z*) 292 [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS *m/z* calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>27</sub>O<sub>3</sub>NNa [M]<sup>+</sup> 292.1889, found 292.1886.

(2R,6S)-tert-Butyl 2-Allyl-6-((R)-2-hydroxypentyl)piperidine-1-carboxylate 12. TiCl<sub>4</sub> (1 M in toluene, 0.67 mL, 0.67 mmol) via syringe was added to a cooled (-78 °C) solution of cyclic N,Oacetal 4a (0.15 g, 0.56 mmol) and allyltrimethylsilane (0.11 mL, 0.67 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (8 mL). After being stirred at -78 °C for 1 h, the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution at this temperature and then allowed to warm to room temperature. The mixture was extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (3  $\times$ 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na2SO4, filtered through Celite, and concentrated in vacuo to afford the crude product. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/ hexane = 1: 9) to provide an inseparable mixture of *trans*-12 and cis-12 (0.10 g, 64%) as a colorless oil. cis-12: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.78-5.66 (1H, m), 5.07-5.00 (2H, m), 4.17-4.09 (2H, brs), 3.50-3.46 (1H, m), 2.27-2.22 (2H, m,), 1.83-1.33 (21H, m), 0.91 (3H, t, J = 6.9 Hz). *cis*-Isomer: NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 155.8, 136.2, 116.8, 79.9, 70.0, 50.3, 47.7, 44.2, 40.1, 39.0, 28.7, 28.5 (3C), 26.6, 18.9, 14.1, 13.7; IR (neat) 3431, 2954, 2934, 2870, 1660 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (m/z) 312 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS m/z calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>33</sub>O<sub>3</sub>NNa [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> 334.2358, found 334.2344.

8-Allyl-3-propylhexahydropyrido[1,2-c][1,3]oxazin-1(3H)-one 13a and 13b. 'BuOK (7.1 mg, 0.063 mmol) was added to a solution of compounds 12 (13 mg, 0.042 mmol) in THF (7 mL) at 0 °C. The mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and it was stirred for 4 h. The mixture was quenched with saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution and extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub> ( $3 \times 5$  mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered through Celite, and concentrated in vacuo to afford the crude product. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane = 2: 8) to provide compound 13a (9 mg, 90%) and compound 13b (1.1 mg, 10%) as colorless oils.

**Compound 13a:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.83–5.73 (1H, m), 5.09 (1H, brd, J = 17.2 Hz), 5.04 (1H, brd, J = 9.6 Hz), 4.21–4.25 (1H, m), 3.79–3.74 (1H, m), 3.55 (1H, tt, J = 12.0, 4.0 Hz), 2.80 (1H, dt, J = 13.4, 4.8 Hz), 2.18 (1H, J = 13.4, 9.6 Hz), 1.94 (1H, ddd, J = 13.4, 4.6, 2.2 Hz), 1.84–1.36 (11H, m), 0.92 (3H, t, J = 7.2 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  153.3, 135.7, 116.7, 75.4, 54.1, 51.3, 38.1, 37.2, 35.7, 29.5, 22.9, 17.9, 16.4, 13.8; IR (neat) 2956, 2935, 2873, 1666 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (*m*/*z*) 238 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>.

Compound 13b. See below.

(2S,6R)-tert-Butyl 2-((R)-2-Hydroxypentyl)-6-((E)-4-oxopent-2-enyl)piperidine-1-carboxylate 14. A solution of Grubbs II catalyst (8 mg, 5 mol %) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 mL) was added to a

refluxing solution of piperidines **12** (56 mg, 0.18 mmol) and 3buten-2-one (53  $\mu$ L, 0.54 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 mL) in four portions via syringe over 1 h. The mixture was heated at reflux overnight and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/ hexane = 2: 8) to provide **14** (51 mg, 80%) as a colorless oil: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  6.73 (1H, dt, J = 15.8, 7.7 Hz), 6.07 (1H, d, J = 15.8 Hz), 4.25 (2H, brs), 3.54–3.51 (1H, m), 2.44–2.38 (2H, m), 2.22 (3H, s), 1.76–1.33 (21H, m), 0.91 (3H, t, J = 6.8 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  198.4, 155.4, 144.9, 132.9, 80.2, 69.6, 49.5, 47.5, 44.0, 40.0, 37.8, 28.4 (3C), 27.4, 27.0, 26.1, 18.8, 14.0, 13.7; IR (neat) 3447, 2957, 2932, 2860, 1655, 1643 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (*m*/*z*) 376 [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>35</sub>O<sub>4</sub>NNa [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> 376.2464, found 376.2452.

(2S,6R)-tert-Butyl 2-((R)-2-Hydroxypentyl)-6-(4-oxopentyl)piperidine-1-carboxylate 15. A suspension of alkenes 14 (51 mg, 0.14 mmol) and palladium on carbon (10%) (8 mg, 5 mol %) in MeOH (5 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 2 h under  $H_2$  (1 atm). The reaction mixture was filtered through Celite, washing with MeOH (5  $\times$  3 mL). The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane = 2:8) to afford *cis*-15 (35 mg, 77%) and *trans*-15 (4 mg, 8%) as colorless oils. *cis*-15:  $[\alpha]^{24}_{D}$  -27.1 (c 1.6, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 4.18 (1H, brs), 4.04 (1H, brs), 3.51 (1H, brs), 2.46-2.43 (2H, m), 2.12 (3H, s), 1.55-1.35 (25H, m), 0.91 (3H, t, J = 6.8 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 208.6, 155.9, 79.9, 69.9, 50.4, 47.8, 44.3, 43.4, 40.0, 34.0, 29.9, 29.3, 28.4 (3C), 27.4, 21.3, 18.9, 14.1, 13.9; IR (neat) 3447, 2957, 2932, 2860, 1655, 1643 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (*m*/*z*) 378 [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS m/z calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>37</sub>O<sub>4</sub>NNa [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> 378.2620, found 378.2615.

*trans*-15. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.92–3.89 (1H, brs), 3.72–3.68 (1H, brs), 3.59–3.56 (1H, brs), 2.48–2.44 (2H, m), 2.14 (3H, s), 1.81–1.76 (2H, m), 1.73–1.70 (2H, m), 1.65–1.33 (12H, m), 1.46 (9H, s), 0.91 (3H, t, J = 7.0 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  208.8, 155.9, 79.9, 70.0, 51.8, 49.5, 44.1, 43.4, 40.1, 33.6, 29.9, 28.5 (3C), 25.2, 23.6, 21.2, 18.9, 14.1, 13.5.

(2R,3aS,6aR,9aS)-Decahydro-9a-methyl-2-propyl-2H-[1,3]oxazino[2,3,4-de]quinolizine 2. Trifluoroacetic acid (0.46 mL) was added to a solution of compound 15 (23 mg, 0.062 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (4 mL) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 2 h. The volatiles were evaporated, and the residue was partitioned between aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The aqueous lawyer was extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na2SO4, filtered through Celite, and concentrated in vacuo to afford the crude product which was purified by flash chromatography (MeOH/  $CH_2Cl_2 = 1:9$ ) to give product 2 (13 mg, 90%) as a colorless oil:  $[\alpha]_{D}^{24}$  +6.0 (c 0.8, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 3.79-3.76 (1H, m), 2.51-2.47 (1H, m), 2.15-2.10 (1H, m), 1.55-1.35 (21H, m), 0.88 (3H, t, J = 7.0 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 86.5, 67.8, 55.2, 51.9, 39.6, 39.2, 38.6, 34.4, 34.2, 33.8, 23.5, 20.8, 18.4, 14.1, 11.6; IR (neat) 2930, 2868, 2799 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (m/z) 238 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS m/z calcd for  $C_{15}H_{28}ON [M + H]^+ 238.2171$ , found 238.2164.

(4*S*,6*R*)-4-(4,4-Diethoxybutyl)-6-propyl-1,3-oxazinan-2-one 16. <sup>1</sup>BuOK (83.0 mg, 7.38 mmol) was added to a solution of compound 11 (178 mg, 4.92 mmol) in THF (7 mL) at 0 °C. The mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature, and it was stirred at room temperature for 4 h. The mixture was quenched with saturated NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution and extracted with EtOAc (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered through Celite, and concentrated in vacuo to afford the crude product. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane = 3: 7) to provide cyclic carbamate 16 (133 mg, 93%) as a colorless oil:  $[\alpha]^{24}_{\text{ D}} + 5.7 (c \, 1.3, \text{CHCl}_3)$ ; <sup>1</sup>H NMR

(500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.49 (1H, brs), 4.46 (1H, t, J = 5.5 Hz), 4.22 (1H, tdd, J = 9.8, 5.0, 2.8 Hz), 3.63 (2H, qd, J = 7.1, 9.3 Hz), 3.51–3.40 (3H, m), 1.96 (1H, ddt, J = 13.5, 4.5, 1.5 Hz), 1.70–1.34 (11H, m), 1.20 (6H, t, J = 7.1 Hz), 0.93 (3H, t, J = 7.3 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  154.8, 102.5, 76.8, 61.2, 61.1, 50.8, 37.2, 36.0, 33.3, 33.1, 20.0, 17.9, 15.3(2C), 13.8; IR (neat) 2961, 2932, 2874, 2243, 1697 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (m/z) 310 [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS m/z calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>29</sub>O<sub>4</sub>NNa [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> 310.1994, found 310.1989.

(3R,4aS,8R)-8-Ethoxyhexahydro-3-propylpyrido[1,2-c][1,3]oxazin-1(3H)-one 17. p-TsOH (0.48 g, 2.39 mmol) was added to a solution of compound 16 (133 mg, 0.48 mmol) in EtOH (5 mL) at room temperature. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h. Saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> (5 mL) was added, and the mixture was extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered through Celite, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane = 1:9) to provide trans-17 (0.11 g, 91%) as a single isomer and as a colorless solid: mp 57–59 °C;  $[\alpha]^{23.6}$  $+30.0 (c 1.7, CHCl_3);$  <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.71 (1H, br), 4.14-4.07 (1H, m), 3.56-3.39 (3H, m), 2.07-1.42 (12H, m), 1.18 (3H, t, J = 7.0 Hz), 0.93 (3H, t, J = 7.0 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 154.1, 80.3, 75.0, 62.4, 49.1, 37.0, 35.3, 33.1, 29.9, 17.9, 17.6, 15.1, 13.9; IR (neat) 2957, 2936, 2874, 1694, 1422 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (m/z) 264 [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS m/z calcd for  $C_{13}H_{23}O_3NNa [M + Na]^+ 264.1576$ , found 264.1567.

(3R,4aS,8S)-8-Allylhexahydro-3-propylpyrido[1,2-c][1,3]oxazin-1(3H)-one 13b. To a solution of N,O-acetal 17 (48 mg, 0.21 mmol) and allyltrimethylsilane (0.10 mL, 0.63 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5 mL) was added TiCl<sub>4</sub> (0.63 mmol, 0.63 mL of 1 M solution in toluene) via syringe at -78 °C. After being stirred at -78 °C for 0.5 h, the reaction mixture was quenched at this temperature with saturated NaHCO3 and extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered through Celite, and concentrated in vacuo to afford the crude product. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane = 2: 8) to provide *trans*-13b (44 mg, 89%) as a single isomer and as a colorless oil:  $[\alpha]^{24.4}_{D}$  +6.9 (c 2.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.80-5.73 (1H, m), 5.04 (1H, d, J = 17.0 Hz), 5.03 (1H, brd, J = 9.5 Hz), 4.70-4.66 (1H, m), 4.03 (1H, tt, J = 5.2, 5.2 Hz), 3.37 (1H, tdd, J = 11.4, J)5.2, 2.9 Hz), 2.44 (1H, dt, J = 13.8, 8.3 Hz), 2.24 (1H, dt, J = 13.8, 6.8 Hz), 1.99 (1H, ddd, J = 13.8, 5.2, 1.5 Hz), 1.79–1.76 (1H, m), 1.66–1.12 (10H, m), 0.92 (3H, t, J = 7.2 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 154.0, 135.3, 117.0, 74.2, 49.7, 49.3, 36.8, 35.7, 34.8, 33.3, 27.0, 18.1, 17.8, 13.8; IR (neat) 2957, 2934, 2872, 1687, 1427 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (m/z) 237 [M]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS m/z calcd for  $C_{14}H_{23}O_2NNa [M + Na]^+ 260.1623$ , found 260.1618.

(3R,4aS,8S)-Hexahydro-8-((E)-4-oxopent-2-enyl)-3-propylpyrido[1,2-c][1,3]oxazin-1(3H)-one 18. A solution of Grubbs II catalyst (11 mg, 5 mol %) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 mL) was added to a refluxing solution of compound 13b (60 mg, 0.25 mmol) and 3buten-2-one (74  $\mu$ L, 0.76 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 mL) in four portions via syringe over 1 h. The mixture was heated at reflux overnight and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane = 3:7) to provide trans-18 (68 mg, 96%) as a single isomer and as a colorless oil:  $[\alpha]_{D}^{24}$  -2.6 (*c* 1.5, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  6.74 (1H, ddd, J = 15.7, 8.7, 6.5 Hz), 6.02 (1H, d, J = 15.7 Hz), 4.84–4.78 (1H, m), 4.01–3.94 (1H, m), 3.34 (1H, tdd, J = 11.3, 5.0, 2.9 Hz), 2.63 (1H, dt, J = 13.9, 8.7 Hz), 2.24 (1H, dt, J = 13.9, 6.5 Hz), 2.24 (3H, s), 1.99 (1H, ddd, J = 11.2)5.2, 1.5 Hz), 1.82–1.12 (11H, m), 0.89 (3H, t, J = 7.2 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 198.8, 153.9, 144.7, 133.7, 74.6, 49.6, 49.4, 36.8, 35.5, 33.9, 33.1, 27.5, 26.2, 18.1, 17.8, 13.7; IR (neat) 2957, 2936, 2874, 1674, 1429 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (m/z) 302 [M + Na]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS m/z calcd for  $C_{16}H_{25}O_3NNa [M + Na]^+$  302.1732, found 302.1737.

(3*R*,4a*S*,8*S*)-Hexahydro-8-(4-oxopentyl)-3-propylpyrido[1,2-*c*]-[1,3]oxazin-1(3*H*)-one 19. A suspension of alkene 18 (68 mg, 0.24 mmol) and palladium on carbon (10%) (13 mg, 5 mol %) in MeOH (5 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 2 h under H<sub>2</sub> (1 atm). The reaction mixture was filtered through Celite, washing with MeOH (5 × 2 mL). The filtrate was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexane = 3: 7) to afford product 19 (68 mg, 99%) as colorless oil:  $[\alpha]^{24}_{\text{ D}}$  +16.8 (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) [lit.<sup>2d</sup>  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{26}$  +9.67 (*c* 0.76, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)]; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 4.59–4.54 (1H, m), 4.10–4.05 (1H, m), 3.40 (1H, tdd, *J* = 11.3, 5.4, 2.8 Hz), 2.56–3.39 (2H, m), 2.11 (3H, s), 2.02 (1H, ddd, *J* = 13.6, 5.4, 1.6 Hz), 1.62–1.45 (15H, m), 0.91 (3H, t, *J* = 7.2 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 208.9, 154.2, 74.5, 50.0, 49.0, 42.8, 36.9, 35.8, 33.6, 30.0, 29.2, 27.7, 20.0, 18.2, 17.8, 13.9; IR (neat) 2934, 2872, 1713, 1674,1429 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (*m*/*z*) 282 [M+H]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>3</sub>N [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 282.2069, found 282.2061.

(3R,4aS,8S)-Hexahydro-8-(3-(2-methyl-1,3-dioxolan-2-yl)propyl)-3-propylpyrido[1,2-c][1,3]oxazin-1(3H)-one 20. A mixture of compound 19 (68 mg, 0.24 mmol), ethylene glycol (66  $\mu$ L, 1.21 mmol), and p-toluenesulfonic acid monohydrate (9.6 mg, 0.048 mmol) in benzene (5 mL) was heated at reflux overnight using a Dean–Stark apparatus. Saturated NaHCO<sub>3</sub> was added to the mixture. The mixture was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered through Celite, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc: Hexane = 3: 7) to yield **20** (75 mg, 96%) as a colorless oil:  $[\alpha]1 + 10.4$  (*c* 1.1, CHCl<sub>3</sub>) [lit.<sup>2d</sup>  $[\alpha]^{26}_{\rm D} + 10.0$  (*c* 0.25, CHCl<sub>3</sub>), lit.<sup>2b</sup>  $[\alpha]_{\rm D} + 10.3$  (*c* 1.96, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)]; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  4.58–4.56 (1H, m), 4.08–4.03 (1H, m), 3.90 (4H, s), 3.38 (1H, tdd, *J* = 11.3, 5.5, 2.9 Hz), 2.01 (1H, ddd, *J* = 13.6, 5.5, 2.9 Hz), 1.80–1.11 (17H, m), 1.31 (3H, s), 0.91 (3H, t, *J* = 6.9 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  154.0, 110.0, 74.4, 64.6(2C), 50.5, 49.2, 38.8, 36.9, 35.8, 33.7, 29.8, 27.2, 23.8, 20.7, 18.2, 17.9, 13.8; IR (neat) 2936, 2872, 1672, 1427 cm<sup>-1</sup>; MS (*m*/*z*) 326 [M + H]<sup>+</sup>; HRMS *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>4</sub>N [M + H]<sup>+</sup> 326.2331, found 326.2333.

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