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An Efficient Stereoselective Synthesis of Penaresidin A from (E)-2-Protected Amino-3,4-unsaturated Sulfoxide

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An efficient, modular, asymmetric synthesis of penaresidin A is disclosed. A β -protected amino- γ , δ -unsaturated sulfoxide was prepared by stereoselective addition of the lithio anion of (*R*)-methyl *p*-tolyl sulfoxide to an unsaturated sulfinylimine. The pendant sulfoxide group was used as an intramolecular nucleophile to functionalize an alkene regio- and stereoselectively to furnish a bromo-hydrin, which was employed as the key intermediate in the preparation of the azetidine subunit of penaresidin A. The stereogenic centers of the side chain were introduced by a regioselective opening of an epoxide. Julia–Kocienski olefination was used to couple the azetidine and side chain subunits. The methodology disclosed herein is also useful for the synthesis of *ribo*- and *arabino*-phytosphingosines and compounds possessing the amino alcohol moiety.

Introduction

Penaresidin A (1), penaresidin B (2), isolated from the Okinawan sponge *Penares* sp.,¹ and the related compound penazetidine A (3), isolated from the Pacific sponge *Penares* sollasi,² Figure 1, are azetidine alkaloids structurally related to phytosphingosines. Penaresidins A and B, tested as a mixture,¹ elevated the ATP-ase activity of myofibrils from rabbit skeletal muscle to 181% of control and penazetidine A showed specific rat brain protein kinase C inhibitory activity.²

Penaresidin A is characterized by an azetidine diol subunit separated from the hydroxy isobutyl subunit by a long alkyl chain. The absolute configuration of the five stereogenic centers was established by a combination of spectroscopic and synthetic studies. The azetidine alkaloids have attracted the attention of synthetic chemists due to their significant biological activity, and unique structure: to date several syntheses have been reported. Synthetic strategies reported

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to date rely on chiral pool starting materials (including L-serine,³ D-glutamatic acid,⁴ D-xylose,⁵ D-glucose,⁶ and D-arabinose,⁷) except one,⁸ which relied on Sharpless asymmetric epoxidation and Sharpless asymmetric hydroxylation reactions. The reported syntheses suffer from lengthy reaction sequences, poor stereocontrol, or the need for specialized techniques. We describe herein an efficient, highly stereoselective, and modular asymmetric synthesis of penaresidin A.

Results and Discussion

Our retrosynthetic analysis is depicted in Scheme 1. We envisioned using the Julia–Kocienski olefination to couple the azetidine 4 and the side chain subunit 5. The double bond and the thiophenyl moiety in the coupled product can be reduced and hydrogenolyzed respectively in a one-pot operation by treatment with Ra–Ni. Azetidine 4 can be obtained

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FIGURE 1. Structure of penaresidin and phytosphingosines.

SCHEME 1. Retrosynthetic Analysis of Penaresidin A



from the aminodiol derivative 6, which in turn can be derived from bromohydrin 7. The bromohydrin 7 can be traced to β -protected amino unsaturated sulfoxide 8. The sulfone 5 was envisaged to be obtained from epoxy alcohol 9, which can be readily prepared from 1,3-propanediol (10). The bromohydrin 7 was envisaged to be prepared by means of a method we reported recently for the regio- and stereoselective oxidative vicinal heterofunctionalization of β -protected amino- γ , δ -unsaturated sulfoxides using N-bromosuccinimide (NBS) as the electrophile and the sulfinyl group as an intramolecular nucleophile.9

To begin with we needed to design a stereoselective route to unsaturated sulfoxide 8. Barring one report¹⁰ prior to our work,¹¹ there was nothing known about the addition of α -sulfinvl carbanions to imines derived from unsaturated aldehydes. We have shown that the addition of the lithio anion of (R)-methyl p-tolyl sulfoxide to the N-Ts imine of cinnamaldehyde proceeded with modest stereocontrol only.¹¹ In this context, the account of Garcia-Ruano and co-workers on the addition of sulfinyl carbanions to sulfinylimines¹² attracted our attention. A similar reaction between sulfinylimine 18 and sulfinyl carbanion was expected

to furnish sulfoxide 8 stereoselectively. We originally began the synthesis of the unsaturated sulfinylimine 18 from 1, 9-nonanediol (11). Selective monoprotection of 11 as its benzyl ether 12 followed by Swern oxidation¹³ furnished the aldehyde 13. Wittig olefination stereoselectively afforded the trans-ester 14, which was chemoselectively reduced with alane¹⁴ to furnish allylic alcohol 15. Oxidation of 15 with the Swern protocol yielded aldehyde 16, which was reacted with (S)-tert-butyl sulfinamide¹⁵ 17a ($\mathbf{R} = t\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}$) in the presence of Ti(OEt)₄¹⁶ to furnish *N-tert*-butyl sulfinylimine **18a**. Likewise, sulfinylimine 18b was prepared from 16 with use of Davis' reagent 17b (R = p-tolyl),¹⁷ Scheme 2.

Subsequently, sulfinylimine 18a was prepared readily and convergently on a 20 mmol scale by a cross metathesis¹⁸ reaction between sulfinylimine **19**,¹⁹ prepared from acrolein, and benzyl ether 20, prepared from commercially available

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SCHEME 2. Preparation of Sulfinylimine 18



SCHEME 3. Preparation of Sulfinylimine 18a by Cross Metathesis



9-decen-1-ol, using 1 mol % of Grubb's catalyst²⁰ 21, Scheme 3.

With the aim of investigating the influence of N- and Csulfinyl groups in the creation of the new C-N stereogenic center, imines 18a and 18b were independently reacted with both (R)- and (S)-methyl p-tolyl sulfoxides²¹ at -78 and 0 °C, Table 1. An inspection of the table reveals that the reaction proceeds with excellent stereoselectivity and the ratio of diastereomers remained unchanged when the reaction was carried out at 0 °C instead of -78 °C. However, the reaction was cleaner when done at -78 °C. Also the stereoselectivity was better with (S)-sulfoxide, more so in the reaction with 18b. In general tert-butyl sulfinamide fared better as an auxiliary and since it is readily prepared by asymmetric catalysis, further experiments were done with 18a. Though stereoselectivity was marginally better using (S)-22, we chose to use only (R)-22 because the products resulting from (R)-22 possess a syn relative configuration at sulfur and nitrogen and these diastereomers have been shown to afford bromohydrins with better stereoselectivity than the diastereomers possessing the anti relative configuration at sulfur and nitrogen.9

The lithio anion of sulfoxide (*R*)-22 reacts with sulfinylimine 18a probably through the intermediacy of the putative transition state, **TS**, to furnish sulfinamide 23a (94% yield). The "*R*" configuration expected for the newly created stereogenic center based on precedent¹² was confirmed by comparing the ¹H NMR spectra of diastereomeric amides 26 and 27. Thus removal of the *N*-sulfinyl moiety in 23a with 4 N HCl in dioxane²² followed by treatment of the resulting amine

TABLE 1. Diastereoselective C-N Bond Formation^a



entry	sulfoxide	sulfinyl imine	sulfin- amide	temp, °C	yield, % $(dr)^b$
1	(<i>R</i>)-22	18a	23a	-78	94 (96:4)
2	(R)- 22	18a	23a	0	86 (95:5)
3	(S)- 22	18a	23b	-78	96 (98:2)
4	(S)- 22	18a	23b	0	88 (97:3)
5	(R)- 22	18b	23c	-78	91 (91:9)
6	(R)- 22	18b	23c	0	82
					(90:10)
7	(S)- 22	18b	23d	-78	94 (97:3)
8	(S)- 22	18b	23d	0	89 (99:1)
^a A11	reactions were	e carried out	on 0.25 m	nol scale bI	Diastereomer

"All reactions were carried out on 0.25 mmol scale. "Diastereomer ratio determined by HPLC.

hydrochloride **24** in the same pot with (*R*)- and (*S*)-methoxyphenylacetic acid **25** furnished amides **26** and **27**, respectively, Scheme 4. In full agreement with the model proposed for the assignment of configuration to primary amines with a stereogenic carbon at the α -position,²³ the methylene protons directly bonded to sulfur appear downfield in amide **26** (δ 3.06 and 2.97) compared to **27** (δ 3.05 and 2.92). Also the signal for olefinic and allylic protons appears upfield in **26** (δ 5.54, 5.43, and 1.95) compared to the corresponding protons of **27** (δ 5.64, 5.48, and 2.0).

Proceeding with the synthesis, amine hydrochloride **24** was reacted with *o*-nitrobenzenesulfonyl chloride in the presence of excess triethylamine to afford the sulfonamide **8** (P = *o*-Ns, 70% overall yield).²⁴ Reaction of **8** with freshly recrystallized NBS, in toluene in the presence of water, yielded bromohydrin **7** stereoselectively.²⁵ The

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⁽²⁵⁾ The structure of bromohydrin 7 was assigned based on precedent, see ref 9.

SCHEME 4. Stereoselective Formation of Sulfinamide 23a



SCHEME 5. Stereoselective Formation of Aziridine 29 from Bromohydrin 7



transformation of **7** to the key intermediate **6** requires inversion of configurations at C3 and C4 and introduction of the hydroxy group by bromine displacement. This was intended to be achieved by epoxide formation, thus inverting C3 stereocenter, followed by an acid-promoted regioselective²⁶ intramolecular opening of the epoxide at C4 by the sulfinyl moiety²⁷ thereby inverting C4 stereocenter. In the event, treatment of **7** with anhydrous potassium carbonate did not afford any of the desired epoxide **28**, but only the aziridine **29**, Scheme 5.

The epoxide could not be prepared in the presence of the acidic *N*-H and we therefore considered bromohydrin formation from a protected sulfonamide derivative of **8**. Thus reaction of **8** with benzyl bromide with use of anhydrous potassium carbonate as the base yielded sulfonamide **30**. Bromohydrin **31** was obtained as the only product regioand stereoselectively upon treatment of **30** with NBS. Epoxide **32** was obtained without incident from **31**. The stage was now set for preparing a derivative related to **6**. Thus, treatment of **32** with BF₃·Et₂O at -78 °C and gradually warming to -10 °C overnight afforded diol **33**, resulting from a highly stereo- and regioselective 5-*exo* opening, instead of the required diol **34**, expected to result from 6-*endo* opening, Scheme 6.

The colinear displacement of the epoxide by the sulfur oxygen is probably more rapid in the 5-*exo* than the 6-*endo* mode leading to the observed selectivity.²⁸ In the case of

SCHEME 6. Stereoselective Intramolecular 5-*exo* Epoxide Opening



bromohydrin formation (compound 7 from 8 and 31 from **30**), a π -complex and not epibromonium ion is involved. The structure of diol 33 was proven by transformation to acetal 35 via a three-step sequence, including (a) 1,2-acetal formation, (b) Pummerer reaction, followed by one-pot hydrolysis of the resulting intermediate to the corresponding aldehyde and its subsequent reduction to an alcohol, and (c) acidcatalyzed acetal exchange. The coupling constants of C2 H and NOE studies on 35 confirm the structure assigned to it, Scheme 7. The NOE observed with C3 H indicates a synrelationship between C2 and C3 substituents. The syn,anti relation at C2-C3, C3-C4 of diol 33 relates to the relative stereochemistry of corresponding carbons of arabino-phytosphingosine. It is noteworthy that *arabino*-phytosphingosine can be synthesized efficiently in a concise fashion starting from an appropriate unsaturated sulfoxide X, following the steps depicted in Scheme 6.

Having been unsuccessful to effect epoxide opening in a 6-*endo* mode using an intramolecular nucleophile, we attempted opening the epoxide intermolecularly. Epoxide **32** upon Pummerer reaction afforded the intermediate **36**, which without isolation was hydrolyzed to aldehyde **37** and then reduced in the same pot to yield alcohol **38**. Intermolecular opening of epoxide ring with aq 3 M sulfuric acid/dioxane²⁹ proceeded cleanly at the less hindered carbon (C4) to furnish triol **39**, Scheme 8.³⁰

The structure of **39** was proven by ¹H NMR studies on compound **40**, obtained by acid-catalyzed acetal formation followed by acetylation, Scheme 9. The signal for C2 H appeared as a doublet of triplet with *J* values 4.9 and 11.3 Hz, respectively. This points to a diaxial relationship between C2 H and C3 H and therefore also confirms the *anti* relationship between C2 and C3 substituents in triol **39**.

Proceeding, the primary hydroxyl group in **39** was selectively protected as its *tert*-butyldiphenylsilyl ether to afford **41**. Treatment of **41** with methanesulfonyl chloride furnished exclusively the mesylate **42**. The C3 hydroxy group in **42** was protected as its triethylsilyl ether **43**, a derivative of compound **6**, using triethylsilyl triflate in the presence of 2,6-lutidine. Deprotection of the nosyl group³¹ with

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SCHEME 7. Preparation of Acetal 35



SCHEME 8. Regio- and Stereoselective Intermolecular Epoxide Opening











SCHEME 10. Synthesis of Aldehyde 4

mercaptoethanol and DBU as the base afforded initially the *N*-Bn compound **44**, which underwent further cyclization

under the reaction conditions to furnish azetidine **45**, Scheme 10. Hydrogenolysis of the benzyl groups with $Pd(OH)_2/C$ in the presence of di-*tert*-butyl dicarbonate under an atmosphere of hydrogen in a mixture of EtOAc and methanol afforded the carbamate **46** as a mixture of rotamers (¹H NMR in DMSO- d_6 at 70 °C indicated a single set of signals). The primary hydroxy group in **46** was oxidized without incident with use of IBX to yield aldehyde **4**.

Synthesis of the Side Chain Fragment. The attempted synthesis of sulfone 5 began by subjecting 1,3-propanediol (10) to reaction with 2-mercaptobenzothiazole (47) under Mitsunobu conditions³² to furnish the mono sulfide 48. Onepot IBX oxidation followed by Wittig olefination³³ of the resulting aldehyde afforded ester 49. Chemoselective reduction of the ester with DIBAL-H afforded allylic alcohol 50. Selective oxidation of the sulfide to sulfone 51 with ammonium molybdate as the catalyst and H_2O_2 as the

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SCHEME 11. Preparation of Epoxy Sulfone 9



stoichiometric oxidant,³⁴ followed by Sharpless epoxidation³⁵ furnished epoxy alcohol **9**, Scheme 11. Attempted opening of epoxy alcohol **9** with diethyl cuprate or ethylmagnesium bromide in the presence of cat. CuI did not proceed at low temperatures (-78 to -10 °C), while warming to 0 °C afforded a tarry material. Assuming the benzothiazolyl sulfone to be the cause for the unexpected outcome of the cuprate opening reaction, we decided to introduce the sulfone residue subsequent to epoxide opening.

Exploring an alternate route, homoallylic alcohol 52 was converted to p-methoxybenzyl ether 53. Cross metathesis reaction³⁶ of **53** with *cis*-2-buten-1,4-diol (**54**) with Hoveyda-Grubb's catalyst 55³⁷ furnished allylic alcohol 56. Sharpless asymmetric epoxidation afforded epoxide 57, which was regioselectively opened at C2 with ethylmagnesium bromide promoted by cat. CuI³⁸ to afford diol **58** (9:1 mixture of 1.3- to 1.2-diols). Protection of the diol as the benzylidene acetal 59 followed by selective deprotection of the PMB ether³⁹ furnished alcohol **60**. Treatment of **60** under Mitsunobu conditions with N-phenyltetrazole thiol afforded sulfide 61, which was readily oxidized to sulfone 62 with mCPBA. Attempted regioselective deprotection of the benzylidene acetal with DIBAL-H,40 expecting to obtain primary alcohol 63 that was to be transformed to the coupling partner 5, failed, instead a complex mixture of products were obtained, Scheme 12. A probable explanation for the failure to obtain desired products from sulfone 9 and 62 is the competitive nucleophilic attack at the heterocyclic core of these substrates. In an effort to validate this hypothesis,

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sulfide **61** was subjected to reduction with DIBAL-H. The reduction proceeded at rt to afford a product less polar compared to the starting material, which turned out to be the thiol **64**. Thus the hydride addition to tetrazole moiety is faster than reduction of acetal.

The alternate route involving deprotection of the acetal **62** under acidic conditions to furnish the corresponding diol followed by selective conversion of the primary hydroxyl group to a derivative of sulfone **5** was explored but abandoned due to the lengthy sequence of reactions. In the meantime, we designed a new route to a different side chain fragment. Diol **58** was selectively transformed to tosylate **65**, which was reduced with LAH⁴¹ to yield carbinol **66**. Protection as its benzyl ether **67** followed by deprotection of the PMB ether with DDQ afforded primary alcohol **68**. Transformation to sulfide **69** with Mitsunobu conditions followed by oxidation with *m*CPBA afforded sulfone **70**. Scheme 13.

Completion of the Synthesis. Having secured the azetidine and side chain fragments, their union was examined. The anion derived from 70, by treatment with KHMDS,⁴² was reacted with aldehyde 4 to furnish predominantly the transalkene 71. Reduction and concomitant hydrogenolysis of the benzyl ether was effected by treatment with Pd(OH)₂/C under an atmosphere of hydrogen to afford alcohol 72, Scheme 14. Deprotection of the silvl groups with TBAF afforded triol 73. Removal of the carbamate group with TFA/DCM furnished the amine salt, which was converted to the tetraacetate 74 by treatment with excess acetic anhydride in the presence of triethylamine. Tetraacetate 74 had physical characteristics that were in excellent agreement with those reported in the literature.^{3c} The trifluoroacetic acid salt of penaresidin A was converted to the free base by washing with aq saturated NaHCO₃, and purified with a mixture of t-BuOH/CHCl₃/AcOH/H₂O as the eluent to furnish penaresidin A as its acetic acid salt, the spectral data of which matched those reported in the literature.^{3c}

In summary, we have employed an unsaturated *tert*-butylsulfinylimine as precursor for the stereoselective preparation

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SCHEME 12. Attempted Synthesis of Sulfone Related to 5



SCHEME 13. Synthesis of Sulfone 70



of β -protected amino- γ , δ -unsaturated sulfoxide. Oxidative vicinal heterofunctionalization of the alkene mediated by the pendant sulfinyl group afforded regio- and stereoselectively a single bromohydrin. Regioselective intermolecular opening of the epoxide, one-pot deprotection of the nosyl group, tandem azetidine formation, and Julia-Kocienski olefination are key steps in the disclosed route. Cross metathesis reaction and one-pot transformations have been used advantageously to decrease the number of steps requiring isolation and also increase the efficiency. Penaresidin A has been prepared in 20 steps by the longest linear sequence and 10.5% overall yield. The disclosed strategy elegantly demonstrates the potential of the sulfinyl moiety as an intramolecular nucleophile to functionalize olefins and would be useful for the synthesis of related phytosphingosines and other amino diol containing natural products.

Experimental Section

General Procedure for the Preparation of Sulfinylimines. To a stirred solution of aldehyde (1 equiv) in anhydrous dichloromethane (0.2 M) was added sulfinamide (1.1 equiv) followed by neat Ti(OEt)₄ (2.5 equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature until TLC examination revealed complete conversion of starting material. The reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C, diluted with dichloromethane, and quenched by adding ice pieces. The resulting suspension was filtered through Celite and the Celite pad was washed with hot ethyl acetate. The filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the sulfinylimine.

Compound 18a. Following the procedure detailed above, aldehyde **16** (1.54 g, 5.61 mmol) was reacted with (*S*)-*tert*-butyl sulfinamide **17a** (747 mg, 6.2 mmol) to afford a crude product, that was purified by column chromatography with use of 8% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the imine **18a** (1.88 g, 5 mmol) in 89% yield as a pale yellow liquid. TLC: R_f 0.5 (20% EtOAc/hexane). [α]²⁵_D+243 (*c* 1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3448, 3030, 2927, 1638, 1580, 1457, 1362, 1082, 736, 700 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.13 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.32–7.18 (m, 5H), 6.56–6.47 (m, 1H), 6.38 (dd, J=9.1, 15.8 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (s, 2H), 3.42 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.27 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.63–1.54 (qui, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.53–1.43 (m, 2H), 1.41–1.22 (m, 8H), 1.19 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 163.8, 151.3, 138.4, 128.4, 128.0, 127.2, 127.1, 72.5, 70.1, 56.8, 32.7, 29.4, 29.0, 28.8,

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SCHEME 14. Synthesis of Penaresdin A 1



27.9, 25.9, 22.1. MS (ESI): 378 [M + H]⁺. HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₃₆NO₂S 378.2466, found 378.2484.

Compound 18b. Following the procedure detailed above, aldehyde 16 (685 mg, 2.5 mmol) was reacted with (S)-p-toluene sulfinamide 17b (426 mg, 2.75 mmol) to afford a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 8% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the imine 18b (937) mg, 2.28 mmol) in 91% yield as a viscous liquid. TLC: Rf 0.5 (20% EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ +320 (c 1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3455, 3030, 2928, 2854, 1639, 1579, 1455, 1361, 1096, 809 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.25 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (d, J=8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.31-7.21 (m, 7H), 6.56-6.46 (m, 1H), 6.34 (dd, J=9.0, 15.8 Hz, 1H, 4.45 (s, 2H), 3.40 (t, J=6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 2.24 (q, J=6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.61–1.52 (m, 2H), 1.50–1.40 (m, 2H), 1.36–1.25 (m, 8H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 161.6, 152.0, 141.9, 141.2, 138.5, 129.8, 128.5, 128.3, 127.2, 127.1, 124.4, 72.6, 70.1, 32.7, 29.4, 28.9, 28.8, 27.8, 25.9, 21.1. MS (ESI): 412 $[M + H]^+$. HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + H]^+$ calcd for C₂₅H₃₄NO₂S 412.2310, found 412.2326.

Preparation of Sulfinylimine 18a by Cross Metathesis. To the mixture of benzyl ether **20** (13.9 g, 56.4 mmol) and imine **19** (2.98 g, 18.8 mmol) in anhydrous dichloromethane (94 mL) was added Grubbs's catalyst **21** (160 mg, 0.19 mmol). The flask was fitted with a condenser and refluxed under nitrogen atmosphere for 5 h. The reaction mixture was then allowed to cool to room temperature and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography with use of 8% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to furnish the sulfinylimine **18a** (6.45 g, 17.1 mmol) in 91% yield.

General Procedure for the Preparation of Sulfinamides. A 250 mL round-bottomed flask equipped with a magnetic stirbar and nitrogen inlet was charged with anhydrous THF (0.1 M) and cooled at 0 °C. Diisopropylamine (1.6 equiv) was then added followed by *n*-BuLi (1.6 equiv) dropwise over a period of 10 min. The reaction mixture was stirred at this temperature for 20 min and then cooled at -78 °C. A solution of aryl methyl sulfoxide (1 equiv) in anhydrous THF (0.2 M) was added dropwise via a syringe to the above LDA solution and the mixture was stirred for 30 min at the same temperature. To a stirred solution of imine (1 equiv) in anhydrous THF (0.15 M) cooled at -78 °C was added the solution of lithio anion of sulfoxide generated above via a cannula and the reaction was quenched immediately

by the addition of aqueous saturated NH₄Cl solution. The two layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate and the combined organic layers were successively washed with water and brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure to afford a crude product that was purified by column chromatography to afford the sulfinamide.

Compound 23a. Sulfinamide 23a (10.28 g, 19.36 mmol) was prepared following the procedure detailed above from imine 18a (7.76 mg, 20.6 mmol) and (R)-methyl p-tolyl sulfoxide 22 (3.17 mg, 20.6 mmol) in 94% yield after column chromatography with use of 10% EtOAc/CHCl₃ (v/v) as the eluent. Gummy liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.3$ (60% EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]_{D}^{25} + 106.4$ (c 1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3443, 3206, 2926, 2854, 1455, 1362, 1049, 810, 739, 698 cm^{-1} . ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.54 (d, J=7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.35-7.25 (m, 7H), 5.87-5.77 (m, 1H), 5.57 (dd, J=7.5, 15.1 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (s, 2H), 4.31–4.20 (m, 1H), 3.79 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, NH), 3.46 (t, J=6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.19 (dd, J=6.8, 12.8 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (dd, J = 6.8, 12.8 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.06 (q, J = 6.8, Hz, 2H), 1.60 (qui, J = 6.8, Hz, 2H), 1.44–1.25 (m, 10H), 1.22 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 141.4, 140.2, 138.2, 135.3, 129.7, 128.0, 127.9, 127.2, 127.0, 123.7, 72.5, 70.1, 63.6, 56.0, 54.8, 32.0, 29.5, 29.2, 29.1, 28.9, 28.6, 25.9, 22.4, 21.2. MS (LC-MSD): 532 $[M + H]^+$. HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{30}H_{45}NO_3$ -NaS₂ 554.2738, found 554.2724.

Compound 26. To a stirred solution of sulfinamide 23a (30 mg, 0.056 mmol) in MeOH (0.6 mL) was added HCl in dioxane (4 M, $28 \,\mu\text{L}, 0.11 \,\text{mmol}$). The reaction mixture was stirred for 3 h and then the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in dichloromethane (0.6 mL), DMAP (8 mg, 0.062 mmol) and (R)-methoxyphenylacetic acid (10 mg, 0.056 mmol) were added followed by DCC (14 mg, 0.067 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min and then diluted with diethyl ether (1.5 mL). The precipitated solids were filtered through Celite and the solids were washed once with diethyl ether (2 mL). The combined filtrates were evaporated under reduced pressure to afford a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 35% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the amide 26 (27 mg, 0.048 mmol) in 86% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: Rf 0.3 (40% EtOAc/hexane). IR (neat): 3296, 2925, 2854, 1669, 1518, 1454, 1199, 1099, 1039, 810, 736, 699 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃CN): δ 7.54 (d, J = 8.0Hz, 2H), 7.38 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.36-7.30 (m, 10H), 5.56-5.51 (m, 1H), 5.43 (dd, J=6.7, 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.66–4.60 (m, 1H), 4.53 (s, 1H), 4.44 (s, 2H), 3.43 (t, J=6.7 Hz, 2H), 3.31 (s, 3H), 3.06 (dd, J=7.4, 13.4 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (dd, J=6.7, 13.4 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 1.95 (q, J=6.7 Hz, 2H), 1.55 (qui, J=6.7 Hz, 2H), 1.36–1.19 (m, 10H). MS (ESI): 576 [M + H]⁺. HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₅H₄₅NO₄NaS 598.2967, found 598.2969.

Compound 27. Amide **27** (28 mg, 0.049 mmol) was prepared following the procedure detailed above from sulfinamide **23a** (30 mg, 0.056 mmol) and (*S*)-methoxyphenylacetic acid (10 mg, 0.056 mmol) in 89% yield after column chromatography with use of 30% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent. Low melting solid. TLC: R_f 0.35 (40% EtOAc/hexane). IR (KBr): 3309, 2928, 2852, 1650, 1515, 1452, 1196, 1096, 1031, 974, 808, 739, 697 cm^{-1. 1}H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃CN): δ 7.54 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.44–7.27 (m, 12H), 5.67–5.62 (m, 1H), 5.48 (dd, J = 6.7, 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.58–4.51 (m, 1H), 4.56 (s, 1H), 4.45 (s, 2H), 3.44 (t, J=6.7 Hz, 2H), 3.30 (s, 3H), 3.05 (dd, J=7.4, 13.4 Hz, 1H), 2.92 (dd, J=7.4, 13.4 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.00 (q, J=6.7 Hz, 2H), 1.55 (qui, J=6.7 Hz, 2H), 1.37–1.23 (m, 10H). MS (ESI): 576 [M + H]⁺. HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₅H₄₅NO₄NaS 598.2967, found 598.2956.

Compound 8. To a stirred solution of sulfinamide 23a (10.28 g, 19.36 mmol) in MeOH (97 mL) was added HCl in dioxane (4 M, 9.7 mL, 38.7 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 3 h and then the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in dichloromethane (97 mL) and Et₃N (8.2 mL, 58.1 mmol) was added followed by o-nitrobenzenesulfonyl chloride (5.14 g, 23.2 mmol) in portions. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min and water (60 mL) was added. The clear layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted once with dichloromethane (60 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure to afford a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 8% $EtOAc/CHCl_3$ (v/v) as the eluent to afford the sulfonamide 8 (8.26 g, 13.5 mmol) in 70% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: R_f $0.35 (20\% \text{ EtOAc/CHCl}_3). [\alpha]^{25}_{D} + 14 (c 1, \text{CHCl}_3). \text{ IR (neat):}$ 3092, 2927, 2854, 1541, 1449, 1355, 1167, 1092, 1038, 737, 590 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.11–8.09 (m, 1H), 7.88–7.84 (m, 1H), 7.74–7.69 (m, 2H), 7.53 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.36–7.25 (m, 7H), 5.76 (d, J=7.1 Hz, NH), 5.60–5.53 (m, 1H), 5.28 (dd, J=8.7, 15.8 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (s, 2H), 4.39-4.32 (m, 1H), 3.46 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.18 (dd, J = 6.3, 13.4 Hz, 1H), 2.85(dd, J=8.7, 13.4 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.80 (q, J=6.3 Hz, 2H), 1.60 (qui, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 1.37–1.07 (m, 10H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.2, 141.2, 139.6, 138.2, 135.6, 133.9, 133.0, 132.2, 130.7, 129.5, 127.8, 127.1, 126.9, 125.4, 124.4, 123.8, 72.2, 69.9, 62.3, 52.8, 31.3, 29.2, 28.8, 28.7, 28.4, 28.0, 25.6, 20.9. MS (LC-MSD): 613 [M + H]⁺. HRMS (ESI): *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₃₂H₄₁N₂O₆S₂ 613.2406, found 613.2399.

Compound 7. To a solution of sulfonamide 8 (3.5 g, 5.72 mmol) in toluene (28 mL) was added water (206 μ L, 11.4 mmol) followed by N-bromosuccinimide (1.22 g, 6.86 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 min and then quenched by adding aqueous saturated NaHCO₃ solution (20 mL). The two layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2 \times 20 mL). The combined organic layers were successively washed with water and brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. Evaporation of the solvent afforded a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 35% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to furnish the bromohydrin 7 (3.2 g, 4.52 mmol) in 79% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.35 (50\% \text{ EtOAc/hexane}). [\alpha]^{25} - 4.6$ (c 1.5, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3359, 2927, 2855, 1711, 1540, 1357, 1167, 1086, 1029, 738 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.32 (d, J=8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.91 (d, J=7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.83-7.73 (m, 2H),7.35-7.25 (m, 9H), 5.80 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, NH), 4.79-4.71 (m, 1H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 3.91–3.82 (m, 1H), 3.68 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, OH), 3.55 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.94–2.84 (m, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.66–1.58 (m, 2H), 1.51–1.41 (m, 2H), 1.40–1.24 (m, 10H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.5, 142.0, 139.5, 138.6, 134.0, 133.7, 133.2, 131.6, 130.1, 128.2, 127.5, 127.4, 125.1, 123.6, 72.8, 71.0, 70.4, 64.2, 62.2, 50.0, 34.0, 29.7, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 26.1, 25.0, 21.3. MS (ESI): 731 [M + Na]⁺. HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₂H₄₁N₂O₇. NaS₂Br 731.1436, found 731.1456.

Compound 29. Anhydrous K₂CO₃ (83 mg, 0.6 mmol) was added to a solution of bromohydrin 7 (354 mg, 0.5 mmol) in anhydrous acetonitrile (2.5 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h when TLC examination revealed complete conversion of starting material. Diethy ether (3 mL) was added to the reaction mixture and the precipitated solids were filtered through a pad of Celite. The filtrate was evaporated in vacuo to afford a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 40% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the aziridine **29** (289 mg, 0.46 mmol) in 92% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.3$ (45% EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} - 88$ (c 1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3361, 2927, 2855, 1718, 1543, 1452, 1363, 1167, 1088, 1033, 740 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.24-8.22 (m, 1H), 7.79-7.72 (m, 3H), 7.49 (d, J=8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.35–7.27 (m, 7H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 3.82–3.76 (m, 1H), 3.55 (q, J= 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.34 (dd, J = 7.3, 13.1 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (dd, J = 6.6, 13.1 Hz, 1H), 3.21-3.18 (m, 1H + OH), 2.40 (s, 3H), 1.64–1.53 (m, 4H), 1.50–1.21 (m, 10H). MS (ESI): 651 $[M + Na]^+$. HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for C₃₂H₄₀N₂O₇NaS₂ 651.2174, found 651.2189.

Compound 30. To a solution of sulfonamide 8 (4.76 g, 7.78) mmol) in anhydrous acetonitrile (39 mL) was added anhydrous K_2CO_3 (1.3 g, 9.3 mmol) followed by neat benzyl bromide (1.1 mL, 9.3 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 8 h when TLC examination revealed complete conversion of starting material. Diethyl ether (40 mL) was added to the reaction mixture and the precipitated solids were filtered through a pad of Celite. The filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure to afford a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 30% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the sulfonamide 30 (5.2 g, 7.4 mmol) in 95% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.35$ (50% EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ +68 (c 1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3029, 2928, 2854, 1543, 1453, 1367, 1163, 1092, 1045, 742, 700, 586 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.96 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.69 - 7.59 (m, 3H), 7.36 - 7.30 (m, 8H),7.29-7.22 (m, 6H), 5.64-5.56 (m, 1H), 5.50 (dd, J=7.7, 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.69–4.65 (m, 1H), 4.65 (d, J=15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (s, 2H), 4.46 (d, J=15.4 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (t, J=6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.89 (dd, J=3.4, 12.9 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (dd, J=11.2, 12.9 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 1.95 (q, J=6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.61 (qui, J=6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.39–1.31 (m, 2H), 1.30–1.16 (m, 10H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.7, 141.5, 140.6, 138.8, 138.7, 137.1, 133.8, 133.3, 131.8, 131.1, 129.9, 128.6, 128.3, 128.26, 127.8, 127.5, 127.4, 124.1, 124.0, 123.8, 72.7, 70.4, 61.2, 56.0, 49.6, 32.2, 29.8, 29.3, 29.27, 28.9, 28.5, 26.1, 21.3. MS (ESI): 703 $[M + H]^+$. HRMS (ESI): m/z $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{39}H_{46}N_2O_6NaS_2$ 725.2695, found 725.2694.

Compound 31. To a solution of sulfonamide **30** (5.2 g, 7.4 mmol) in toluene (37 mL) was added water (266 μ L, 14.8 mmol) followed by *N*-bromosuccinimide (1.6 g, 8.9 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h and then quenched with aqueous saturated NaHCO₃ solution (25 mL). The two layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2 × 25 mL). The combined organic layers were successively washed with water and brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. Evaporation of the solvent under reduced pressure afforded a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 35% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to furnish the bromohydrin **31** (4.6 g, 5.8 mmol) in 78% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: *R_f* 0.3 (50% EtOAc/hexane).

$$\begin{split} & [\alpha]^{25}{}_{\rm D} - 79\,(c\,1,\,{\rm CHCl}_3).\,{\rm IR}\,({\rm neat}):\,3402,\,3029,\,2929,\,2855,\,1712,\\ & 543,\,1367,\,1164,\,1090,\,1032,\,750,\,702\,\,{\rm cm}^{-1}.\,^{1}{\rm H}\,{\rm NMR}\,(300\,\,{\rm MHz},\,{\rm CDCl}_3):\,\delta\,\,8.05\,({\rm d},\,J=7.7\,\,{\rm Hz},\,1{\rm H}),\,7.73-7.60\,({\rm m},\,3{\rm H}),\\ & 7.36-7.31\,({\rm m},\,6{\rm H}),\,7.29-7.21\,({\rm m},\,8{\rm H}),\,4.90-4.84\,({\rm m},\,1{\rm H}),\,4.87\,\,({\rm d},\,J=16.4\,\,{\rm Hz},\,1{\rm H}),\,4.71\,({\rm d},\,J=16.4\,\,{\rm Hz},\,1{\rm H}),\,4.50\,({\rm s},\,2{\rm H}),\,3.98\,\,({\rm dd},\,J=6.6,\,8.1\,\,{\rm Hz},\,1{\rm H}),\,3.85\,({\rm dt},\,J=1.8,\,8.1\,\,{\rm Hz},\,1{\rm H}),\,3.46\,({\rm t},\,J=6.6\,\,{\rm Hz},\,2{\rm H}),\,3.26\,({\rm dd},\,J=6.0,\,13.7\,\,{\rm Hz},\,1{\rm H}),\,2.91\,({\rm dd},\,J=5.5,\,13.7\,\,{\rm Hz},\,1{\rm H}),\,2.39\,({\rm s},\,3{\rm H}),\,1.61\,({\rm qui},\,J=6.6\,\,{\rm Hz},\,2{\rm H}),\,1.50-1.16\,\,({\rm m},\,12{\rm H}),\,1^{3}{\rm C}\,{\rm NMR}\,(100\,\,{\rm MHz},\,{\rm CDCl}_3):\,\delta\,147.4,\,141.3,\,139.2,\,138.2,\,137.0,\,133.8,\,132.4,\,132.0,\,131.6,\,129.6,\,128.3,\,127.9,\,127.5,\,127.2,\,127.0,\,123.6,\,123.3,\,72.3,\,71.0,\,70.0,\,60.4,\,55.2,\,49.5,\,33.9,\,29.3,\,29.2,\,29.04,\,28.98,\,28.8,\,25.7,\,24.5,\,20.9.\,\,{\rm MS}\,({\rm ESI}):\,799\,\,[{\rm M}\,+\,{\rm H}]^+.\,\,{\rm HRMS}\,\,({\rm ESI}):\,m/z\,\,[{\rm M}\,+\,{\rm Na}]^+\,\,{\rm calcd}\,\,{\rm for}\,C_{39}{\rm H}_47}{\rm N}_2{\rm O}_7{\rm Na}S_2{\rm Br}\,821.1905,\,{\rm found}\,821.1925. \end{split}$$

Compound 32. Anhydrous K₂CO₃ (0.97 g, 7 mmol) was added to a solution of bromohydrin 31 (4.6 g, 5.8 mmol) in anhydrous acetonitrile (29 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred for 6 h when TLC examination revealed complete conversion of starting material. Diethyl ether (25 mL) was added to the reaction mixture and the precipitated solids were filtered through a pad of Celite. The filtrate was evaporated under reduced pressure to afford a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 35% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the epoxide 32 (3.9 g, 5.5 mmol) in 95% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: R_f 0.3 (50% EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]^{25}_{\rm D}$ -89 (c 1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3453, 3028, 2929, 2855, 1714, 1544, 1455, 1367, 1164, 1090, 1045, 927, 741, 582 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CHCl₃) $CDCl_3$): δ 8.08 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.74–7.64 (m, 3H), 7.45 (d, J=7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.36-7.30 (m, 7H), 7.29-7.17 (m, 5H), 4.78 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 4.17-4.11 (m, 1H), 3.46 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.84 (dd, J = 9.5, 13.9 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (dd, J=4.4, 13.9 Hz, 1H), 2.64-2.57 (m, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.65–1.57 (m, 2H), 1.39–1.16 (m, 12H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.3, 141.0, 139.6, 138.2, 136.7, 133.8, 132.2, 131.6, 131.2, 129.4, 128.4, 128.3, 127.8, 127.7, 127.0, 126.9, 123.8, 123.2, 72.3, 70.0, 57.9, 57.8, 57.0, 54.8, 49.6, 30.8, 29.4, 29.0, 28.9, 28.8, 25.8, 25.1, 21.0. MS (LC-MSD): 719 [M + H]⁺. HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₃₉H₄₇N₂O₇S₂ 719.2824, found 719.2834.

Compound 33. To a stirred solution of epoxide 32 (1.9 g, 2.65 mmol) in anhydrous dichloromethane (13 mL) cooled at -78 °C was added neat BF3·Et2O (1 mL, 8 mmol) under an inert atmosphere. Stirring was continued for 2 h before the reaction mixture was warmed to -10 °C. After being stirred at this temperature for 8 h, the reaction mixture was quenched with aqueous saturated NaHCO₃ solution (8 mL). The two layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted once with dichloromethane (10 mL). The combined organic layers were successively washed with water and brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. Evaporation of the solvent under reduced pressure afforded a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 30% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to furnish the diol 33 (1.76 g, 2.4 mmol) in 90% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.3$ (55% EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} -58$ (c 0.8, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3377, 3030, 2928, 2855, 1543, 1453, 1367, 1162, 1086, 1025, 937, 855, 738 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.23–8.21 (m, 1H), 7.73–7.67 (m, 3H), 7.46 (d, J=7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.34-7.18 (m, 12H), 4.85 (d, J = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 4.78-4.74 (m, 2H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 3.72-3.66 (m, 1H), 3.46 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.38 - 3.32 (m, 1H), 3.03 (dd, J = 4.4, 13.9 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (dd, J=7.3, 13.9 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (d, J=4.4 Hz, OH), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.60 (qui, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.41–1.09 (m, 12H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.8, 141.6, 139.6, 138.6, 138.0, 133.9, 133.0, 132.8, 132.1, 129.9, 128.8, 128.4, 128.3, 127.8, 127.6, 127.4, 124.1, 123.6, 77.3, 72.8, 72.3, 70.4, 57.5, 54.4, 49.8, 32.7, 29.7, 29.5, 29.3, 26.1, 25.5, 21.3. MS (ESI): 737 $[M + H]^+$. HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for C₃₉H₄₈N₂O₈₋ NaS₂ 759.2749, found 759.2720.

Compound 38. To a stirred solution of epoxide 32 (2 g, 2.78 mmol) in dichloromethane (14 mL) cooled at 0 °C was added Et₃N (1.6 mL, 11.1 mmol) followed by TFAA (1.6 mL, 11.1 mmol) dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at 0 °C, aqueous saturated NaHCO₃ solution (12 mL) was added, and the mixture was stirred further for 15 min. NaBH₄ (630 mg, 16.7 mmol) was added to the reaction mixture in portions and stirring was continued for 15 min. The two layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted once with dichloromethane (15 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water and brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure to afford a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 35% EtOAc/ hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the hydroxy compound 38 (1.3 g, 2.17 mmol) in 78% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.3$ $(55\% \text{ EtOAc/hexane}). [\alpha]^{25}_{D} + 6.8 (c 1, \text{CHCl}_3). \text{ IR (neat): 3441},$ 3028, 2930, 2856, 1543, 1454, 1366, 1163, 1097, 882, 740 cm⁻ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.90 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.67–7.53 (m, 3H), 7.41 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 7.34–7.22 (m, 8H), 4.87 (d, J=15.3 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 4.49 (d, J=15.3 Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 3H), 3.46 (t, J=7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.89-2.86 (m, 1H), 2.40–2.38 (m, 1H), 1.97–1.90 (m, 1H), 1.65–1.57 (m, 3H), 1.39-1.21 (m, 10H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.5, 138.4, 137.0, 133.4, 133.35, 131.6, 131.0, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.8, 127.4, 127.3, 123.9, 72.6, 70.3, 61.4, 60.0, 57.7, 56.7, 49.0, 31.1, 29.5, 29.2, 29.1, 29.05, 25.9, 25.3. MS (ESI): 597 [M + H]⁺ HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for $C_{32}H_{40}N_2O_7NaS$ 619.2453, found 619.2465.

Compound 39. To a solution of hydroxy compound 38 (1.3 g, 2.17 mmol) in dioxane (11 mL) was added aqueous H₂SO₄ solution (3 M, 2.2 mL, 6.5 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 8 h at 70 °C and then allowed to cool to room temperature. EtOAc (15 mL) was added and an excess of aqueous saturated NaHCO3 solution was added dropwise. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2 \times 15 mL). The combined organic extracts were successively washed with water and brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated to dryness under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography with use of 45% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the triol 39 (1.18 g, 1.93 mmol) in 89% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.2 (65\% \text{ EtOAc/hexane}). [\alpha]^{22}$ $^{5}D + 1.5(c$ 1.1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3399, 3029, 2929, 2855, 1543, 1455, 1368, 1161, 1096, 1027, 740 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.92 (d, J=8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.67–7.54 (m, 3H), 7.42 (d, J=6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.34-7.23 (m, 8H), 4.83 (d, J=15.6 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (d, J=15.6 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 4.12 (dt, J = 2.9, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.85 (dd, J = 5.9, 11.9 Hz, 1H), 3.79–3.74 (m, 2H), 3.55–3.51 (m, 1H), 3.46 (t, J= 6.7 Hz, 2H), 1.64–157 (m, 2H), 1.44–1.14 (m, 12H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.5, 138.4, 137.3, 133.4, 133.35, 131.6, 131.3, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 124.0, 76.6, 73.3, 72.7, 70.4, 59.9, 59.3, 49.8, 32.3, 29.5, 29.3, 29.2, 26.0, 25.8. MS (ESI): 615 $[M + H]^+$. HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for C32H42N2O8NaS 637.2559, found 637.2588.

Compound 41. To a stirred solution of a mixture of the triol **39** (1 g, 1.63 mmol) and imidazole (224 mg, 3.3 mmol) in anhydrous dichloromethane (8 mL) was added TBDPS-Cl (0.5 mL, 1.95 mmol) at ambient temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 6 h at room temperature and then water (6 mL) was added. Two layers were separated and the aqueous phase was extracted once with dichloromethane (8 mL). The combined organic extracts were successively washed with brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. Evaporation of the solvent under reduced pressure afforded a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 20% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the silyl ether **41** (1.32 g, 1.55 mmol) in 95% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: R_f 0.25 (30% EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ +16 (*c* 1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3562, 3068, 3029, 2931, 2856, 1544, 1460,

1430, 1367, 1163, 1108, 822, 742 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.95 (d, J= 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.58–7.50 (m, 6H), 7.46–7.33 (m, 10H), 7.28–7.19 (m, 7H), 4.79 (d, J=16.1 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (d, J= 16.1 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 4.29 (dt, J=1.4, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.87–3.80 (m, 2H), 3.73 (dd, J=2.2, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 3.46 (t, J=6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.32 (t, J=6.6 Hz, 1H), 1.60 (qui, J=6.5 Hz, 2H), 1.41–1.12 (m, 12H), 0.96 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.8, 138.5, 137.4, 135.5, 135.4, 133.6, 133.1, 132.1, 131.4, 131.0, 129.9, 129.8, 128.5, 128.3, 128.2, 127.7, 127.66, 127.4, 127.3, 123.9, 77.47, 72.9, 72.7, 70.3, 61.4, 60.4, 50.2, 32.9, 29.6, 29.3, 29.2, 26.7, 26.0, 25.5, 18.8. MS (ESI): 852.9 [M + H]⁺. HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₄₈H₆₀N₂O₈NaSiS 875.3737, found 875.3757.

Compound 42. In a 25 mL round-bottomed flask equipped with a magnetic stirbar, rubber septum, and nitrogen inlet were placed silyl ether 41 (1.32 g, 1.55 mmol) and Et₃N (0.44 mL, 3.1 mmol) in anhydrous dichloromethane (10 mL). The reaction mixture was cooled at 0 °C and MsCl (1 M in CH₂Cl₂, 2.3 mL, 2.3 mmol) was added dropwise over a period of 10 min. The resulting mixture was stirred for 15 min at 0 °C and then water (6 mL) was added. The clear layers were separated and the aqueous phase was extracted once with dichloromethane (8 mL). The combined organic extracts were successively washed with water and brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. Evaporation of the solvent under reduced pressure afforded a crude product that was purified by flash column chromatography with use of 2% $EtOAc/CHCl_3$ (v/v) as the eluent to afford the mesylate 42 (1.3 g, 1.4 mmol) in 90% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.25$ (4% EtOAc/CHCl₃). [α]²⁵_D +2 (*c* 1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3551, 3068, 3030, 2931, 2856, 1544, 1461, 1430, 1351, 1169, 1108, 910, 738 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.87 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.61-7.53 (m, 6H), 7.48-7.33 (m, 10H), 7.29-7.19 (m, 7H), 4.85 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 4.68-4.62 (m, 1H), 4.61 (d, J = 15.3 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 4.20-4.11 (m, 2H), 4.02-3.93 (m, 2H), 3.46 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 2.83 (s, 3H), 1.64–1.57 (m, 2H), 1.38-1.13 (m, 12H), 0.96 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 147.8, 138.6, 136.8, 135.6, 135.55, 134.7, 133.6, 133.2, 132.3, 132.1, 131.6, 131.0, 130.0, 129.9, 128.7, 128.4, 128.2, 127.9, 127.8, 127.5, 127.4, 123.9, 84.0, 75.0, 72.7, 70.4, 62.2, 60.2, 50.3, 38.1, 30.2, 29.6, 29.3, 29.1, 26.7, 26.5, 26.0, 24.9, 18.8. MS (ESI): 953 $[M + Na]^+$. HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for C₄₉H₆₂N₂O₁₀NaSiS₂ 953.3512, found 953.3490.

Compound 43. To a stirred solution of mesylate 42 (1.3 g, 1.4 mmol) in anhydrous dichloromethane (7 mL) cooled at 0 °C was added 2,6-lutidine (0.4 mL, 3.5 mmol) followed by TES-OTf (0.48 mL, 2.1 mmol) dropwise over a period of 10 min. The resulting mixture was stirred for 15 min at 0 °C and then diluted with water (6 mL). The two layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted once with dichloromethane (6 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated to dryness under reduced pressure to afford a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 8% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the disilyl ether 43 (1.37 g, 1.31 mmol) in 94% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: Rf 0.5 (20% EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ -20 (*c* 1.05, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3067, 3029, 2933, 2858, 1546, 1460, 1357, 1171, 1111, 1005, 908, 740 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.97-7.77 (m, 1H), 7.62-7.57 (m, 5H), 7.47-7.32 (m, 10H), 7.30-7.15 (m, 8H), 4.89-4.74 (m, 1H), 4.69-4.55 (m, 3H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 4.19-4.04 (m, 2H), 3.90-3.71 (m, 1H), 3.47 (t, J=6.7 Hz, 2H), 2.89 (s, 3H), 1.67-1.58 (m, 2H),1.41–1.17 (m, 12H), 0.99 (s, 9H), 0.69 (t, J = 8.3 Hz, 9H), 0.40–0.24 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 148.5, 138.6, 135.5, 135.4, 133.3, 133.2, 132.5, 131.3, 130.9, 130.8, 129.9, 129.8, 129.2, 128.5, 128.2, 127.7, 127.69, 127.4, 127.3, 123.4, 85.0, 74.9, 72.7, 70.4, 61.7, 60.2, 48.7, 38.1, 31.4, 29.6, 29.4, 29.3, 29.2, 26.8, 26.0, 25.4, 18.8, 6.6, 4.5. MS (ESI): 1062 [M + $(NH_4)^{+}$ ⁺. HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + $(NH_4)^{+}$ ⁺ calcd for C₅₅H₈₀N₃O₁₀Si₂S₂ 1062.4818, found 1062.4819.

Compound 45. To a stirred solution of disilyl ether 43 (1.37 g, 1.31 mmol) in acetone (7 mL) was added DBU (0.58 mL, 3.9 mmol) followed by 2-mercaptoethanol (0.18 mL, 2.6 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 8 h at room temperature and then acetone was evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was suspended in water (8 mL) and extracted with CHCl₃ (3 \times 10 mL). The combined organic extracts were successively washed with water and brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. Evaporation of the solvent in vacuo afforded a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 5% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to furnish the azetidine 45 (908 mg, 1.19 mmol) in 91% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.3$ (10% EtOAc/hexane). [α]²⁵_D +28 (c 1.1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3028, 2930, 2855, 1589, 1492, 1457, 1363, 1213, 1110, 1008, 736, 701 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.70-7.66 (m, 4H), 7.43-7.32 (m, 8H), 7.30-7.16 (m, 8H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 4.48–4.45 (m, 1H), 3.90 (d, J=14.3 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (d, J= 14.3 Hz, 1H), 3.75-3.69 (m, 2H), 3.67-3.62 (m, 1H), 3.44 (t, J= 6.3 Hz, 2H), 3.40-3.36 (m, 1H), 1.62-1.55 (m, 2H), 1.39-1.16 (m, 12H), 1.06 (s, 9H), 0.90 (t, J=7.9 Hz, 9H), 0.53 (q, J=7.9 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 140.3, 138.7, 135.6, 135.5, 133.4, 133.2, 129.5, 128.2, 128.0, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 127.4, 127.3, 126.2, 72.7, 70.4, 66.5, 66.0, 63.6, 53.6, 29.8, 29.7, 29.4, 29.3, 26.8, 26.6, 26.1, 24.9, 19.1, 6.7, 4.7. MS (ESI): 764 [M + H]⁺. HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₄₈H₇₀NO₃Si₂ 764.4894, found 764.4902.

Compound 46. To a mixture of azetidine 45 (908 mg, 1.19 mmol) and (Boc)₂O (312 mg, 1.43 mmol) in a mixture of EtOAc and MeOH (1:1, 6 mL) was added Pd(OH)₂ (91 mg, 10% by wt). The reaction mixture was evacuated, subsequently filled with H_2 , and stirred for 12 h at atmospheric pressure. The solid catalyst was filtered through a small pad of Celite and washed with ethyl acetate. Evaporation of the solvent in vacuo afforded a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 15% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to furnish the hydroxy compound **46** (717 mg, 1.05 mmol) in 88% yield as a viscous liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.3$ (30% EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]_{D}^{25} + 47$ (c 1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3430, 2930, 2862, 1683, 1408, 1246, 1111, 1010, 745 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) (mixture of two rotamers): δ 7.69–7.61 (m, 8H), 7.46–7.33 (m, 12H), 4.65–4.52 (m, 2H), 4.42-4.38 (m, 1H), 4.31-4.17 (m, 2H), 4.08-4.01 (m, 1H), 3.96–3.75 (m, 3H), 3.70–3.56 (m, 5H), 1.60–1.52 (m, 4H), 1.46 (s, 9H), 1.40-1.23 (m, 33H), 1.06 (s, 18H), 0.99-0.95 (m, 9H), 0.94-0.87 (m, 9H), 0.62-0.57 (m, 6H), 0.55-0.48 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) (mixture of two rotamers): δ 155.1, 154.8, 135.5, 133.3, 133.0, 132.9, 129.6, 127.5, 78.9, 78.8, 71.3, 70.7, 65.8, 65.3, 65.1, 64.9, 62.6, 62.5, 61.1, 59.7, 32.6, 32.5, 29.7, 29.5, 29.3, 28.4, 28.3, 28.1, 26.7, 25.8, 25.7, 19.2, 6.6, 5.7, 4.5, 4.3. MS (ESI): 706 [M + Na]⁺. HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₉H₆₅NO₅NaSi₂ 706.4299, found 706.4298.

Compound 4. To a solution of hydroxy compound 46 (717 mg, 1.05 mmol) in dichloromethane (7 mL) cooled at 0 °C was added IBX (353 mg, 1.26 mmol) in DMSO (2.1 mL) and the reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature gradually and stirred further for a period of 1 h when TLC examination revealed completion of the reaction. The reaction mixture was then diluted with dichloromethane (5 mL) and the precipitated solid was filtered through a pad of Celite. The filtrate was washed successively with water $(2 \times 10 \text{ mL})$ and brine and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. Evaporation of the solvent in vacuo afforded a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 8% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to furnish the aldehyde **4** (640 mg, 0.94 mmol) in 90% yield as a viscous liquid. TLC: R_f 0.4 (20% EtOAc/hexane). [α]²⁵_D +46 (*c* 1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3060, 2932, 2864, 1696, 1462, 1398, 1245, 1110, 1008, 702 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) (mixture of two rotamers): δ 9.76 (s, 2H), 7.74–7.61 (m, 8H), 7.46–7.33 (m, 12H), 4.65-4.55 (m, 2H), 4.45-4.38 (m, 1H), 4.28-4.16 (m, 2H), 4.08–4.00 (m, 1H), 3.92–3.80 (m, 2H), 3.72–3.64 (m, 1H), 3.61–3.53 (m, 1H), 2.46–2.37 (m, 4H), 1.69–1.54 (m, 4H), 1.46 (s, 9H), 1.41–1.22 (m, 33H), 1.08 (s, 9H), 1.06 (s, 9H), 0.97–0.83 (m, 18H), 0.56–0.46 (m, 12H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) (mixture of two rotamers): δ 202.5, 155.0, 154.8, 135.6, 133.4, 133.2, 133.0, 132.9, 129.6, 129.5, 127.6, 78.7, 71.3, 70.7, 65.8, 65.4, 65.2, 64.8, 61.2, 59.8, 43.8, 29.6, 29.2, 29.0, 28.5, 28.3, 28.1, 27.0, 26.8, 26.7, 25.8, 22.0, 19.2, 6.6, 4.6. MS (ESI): 682 [M + H]⁺. HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₃₉H₆₃NO₅NaSi₂ 704.4142, found 704.4144.

Compound 58. To a suspension of CuI (209 mg, 1.1 mmol) in anhydrous THF (150 mL) cooled at -78 °C was added EtMgBr (2 M in diethyl ether, 22 mL, 44 mmol) under nitrogen atmosphere. After the reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at -78 °C, epoxide 57 (2.62 g, 11 mmol) in anhydrous THF (20 mL) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to -30 °C gradually and stirred further until no remaining starting material could be detected by TLC (ca. 3 h). The reaction was quenched with a mixture of NH_4Cl and NH₄OH (9:1, 30 mL) and stirred for 1.5 h. The clear layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2 \times 40 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue, a mixture of 1,3- and 1,2-diols (9:1), was dissolved in THF (25 mL) then cooled to 0 °C and a solution of NaIO₄ (706 mg, 3.3 mmol) in water (8 mL) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was allowed to attain rt and stirred further for a period of 6 h. The precipitated solids were filtered through Celite, then the filtrate was diluted with EtOAc and washed with water and brine and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. Evaporation of the solvent in vacuo afforded a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 35% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the 1,3-diol 58 (2.5 g, 9.35 mmol) in 85% yield as a viscous oil. TLC: R_f 0.4 (50%) EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ +1.8 (*c* 1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3400, 2958, 2873, 1612, 1513, 1461, 1248, 1090, 1034, 820 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.24 (d, J=8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (d, J=8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.46 (s, 2H), 3.90-3.85 (m, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.75 (qui, J = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.69–3.62 (m, 2H), 1.98–1.88 (m, 1H), 1.79-1.72 (m, 1H), 1.45-1.35 (m, 3H), 0.94 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.1, 129.7, 129.2, 113.7, 75.2, 72.9, 69.0, 63.5, 55.1, 46.4, 34.6, 21.1, 11.6. MS (ESI): 269 $[M + H]^+$. HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{15}H_{24}O_4Na$ 291.1572, found 291.1563.

Compound 65. To a stirred solution of 1,3-diol 58 (1.5 g, 5.6 mmol) in dichloromethane (28 mL) was added NEt₃ (1.6 mL, 11.2 mmol) followed by TsCl (1.6 g, 8.4 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 20 h and then quenched with aqueous saturated NaHCO3 solution. The two layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted once with EtOAc (20 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine, dried over Na2SO4, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography with use of 25% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the tosylate 65 (2.13 g, 5.04 mmol) in 90% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.35$ (40% EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]^{25}{}_{\rm D}$ +4.8 (c 1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3489, 2961, 2872, 1609, 1513, 1358, 1247, 1177, 1093, 953, 817 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.78 (d, J=7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, J=7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 4.43 (s, 2H), 4.17-4.09 (m, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.79-3.77 (m, 1H), 3.69 (qui, J = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.61–3.56 (m, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 1.79–1.67 (m, 2H), 1.60-1.53 (m, 1H), 1.47-1.39 (m, 1H), 1.38-1.28 (m, 1H), 0.84 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.9, 144.4, 132.5, 129.5, 129.48, 129.0, 127.5, 113.4, 72.5, 70.2, 69.4, 68.6, 54.8, 44.9, 33.5, 21.2, 19.8, 10.9. MS (ESI): 445 $[M + Na]^+$. HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{22}H_{30}O_6$ -NaS 445.1660, found 445.1665.

Compound 66. To a stirred suspension of LAH (228 mg, 6 mmol) in anhydrous THF (15 mL) cooled at 0 °C was added the solution of tosylate 65 (2.13 g, 5.04 mmol) in anhydrous THF (10 mL) under nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 20 min. After diluting the reaction mixture with diethyl ether (20 mL), it was quenched by adding small ice pieces. The resulting suspension was filtered through a pad of Celite, then the residue was washed with diethyl ether $(3 \times 15 \text{ mL})$. The filtrates were concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by column chromatography with use of 13% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to furnish the alcohol 66 (1.14 g, 4.53 mmol) in 90% yield as a viscous liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.4$ (30% EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ +3.9 (c 1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3466, 2959, 2870, 1612, 1513, 1461, 1248, 1090, 1035, 821 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.25 (d, J=8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (d, J=8.1 Hz, 2H), 4.45 (s, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.70 (qui, J=4.7 Hz, 2H), 3.65-3.59 (m, 1H), 2.74 (d, J= 2.7 Hz, OH), 1.82-1.73 (m, 1H), 1.68-1.61 (m, 1H), 1.57-1.47 (m, 1H), 1.43-1.35 (m, 1H), 1.20-1.09 (m, 1H), 0.93-0.88 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.2, 130.2, 129.3, 113.8, 74.1, 72.9, 69.2, 55.1, 40.4, 33.7, 25.6, 13.7, 11.9. MS (ESI): 253 $[M + H]^+$. HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{15}H_{24}O_3Na$ 275.1623, found 275.1626.

Compound 67. To a suspension of the sodium hydride (60% in Nujol, 272 mg, 6.8 mmol) in anhydrous THF (8 mL) cooled at 0 °C was added n-tetrabutylammonium iodide (166 mg, 0.45 mmol) followed by dropwise addition of a solution of the alcohol 66 (1.14 g, 4.53 mmol) in anhydrous THF (15 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred allowing it to attain rt gradually over a period of 30 min. The reaction mixture was recooled and neat benzyl bromide (0.65 mL, 5.43 mmol) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 20 h under an atmosphere of nitrogen and then quenched with aqueous NH₄Cl solution (15 mL). The two layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate $(2 \times 15 \text{ mL})$. The combined organic layers were washed successively with water and brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure to afford a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 6% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the benzyl ether 67 (1.24 g, 3.62 mmol) in 80% yield as a viscous liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.4 (15\% \text{ EtOAc/hexane}). [\alpha]^{25} - 34 (c 1.1, \text{CHCl}_3).$ IR (neat): 3030, 2959, 2931, 2869, 1612, 1513, 1459, 1360, 1247, 1093, 1035, 819, 738 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.32-7.25 (m, 5H), 7.25 (d, J=8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, J=8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.52 (d, J=11.7 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (d, J=11.7 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (s, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.56-3.52 (m, 2H), 3.48-3.44 (m, 1H), 1.80–1.75 (m, 2H), 1.65–1.52 (m, 2H), 1.17–1.08 (m, 1H), 0.91–0.88 (m, 6H). $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.0, 139.0, 130.5, 129.2, 128.1, 127.5, 127.2, 113.6, 79.9, 72.4, 71.8, 66.9, 55.0, 37.7, 31.0, 24.7, 14.6, 12.0. MS (ESI): 365 [M + Na]⁺. HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for C₂₂H₃₀O₃Na 365.2092, found 365.2089.

Compound 68. DDQ (985 mg, 4.34 mmol) was added portionwise over a period of 10 min to a solution of benzyl ether **67** (1.24 g, 3.62 mmol) in a mixture of dichloromethane (17.1 mL) and water (0.9 mL) cooled at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 30 min and then diluted with dichloromethane (15 mL). The precipitated solid was filtered, then the filtrate was washed successively with aqueous saturated NaHCO₃ solution (2 × 20 mL), water, and brine and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. Evaporation of the solvent in vacuo afforded a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 15% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to yield the alcohol **68** (755 mg, 3.4 mmol) in 94% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: R_f 0.4 (30% EtOAc/hexane). [α]²⁵_D –38 (*c* 1.1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3393, 3031, 2960, 2874, 1457, 1377, 1062, 738, 697 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.37–7.27 (m, 5H), 4.61 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 4.47 (d, J = 11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.76–3.72 (m, 2H), 3.52 (qui, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 1.79–1.68 (m, 3H), 1.67–1.58 (m, 1H), 1.14–1.05 (m, 1H), 0.94–0.89 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 138.4, 127.9, 127.2, 127.0, 81.3, 71.2, 59.8, 36.9, 32.5, 24.0, 14.5, 11.7. MS (ESI): 245 [M + Na]⁺. HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₄H₂₂O₂Na 245.1517, found 245.1521.

Compound 69. To a stirred solution of alcohol 68 (755 mg, 3.4 mmol) in anhydrous THF (17 mL) were added N-phenyltetrazolethiol (667 mg, 3.74 mmol) and triphenylphosphine (981 mg, 3.74 mmol). The resulting mixture was cooled at 0 °C and diethylazodicarboxylate (0.58 mL, 3.74 mmol) was added dropwise under an atmosphere of nitrogen. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature gradually and stirred further for 4 h. Evaporation of the solvent under reduced pressure afforded a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 10% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the sulfide 69 (1.17 g, 3.06 mmol) in 90% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.4$ (25% EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} - 34$ (c 1.3, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3452, 3063, 2961, 2930, 2873, 1596, 1499, 1457, 1387, 1243, 1019, 1068, 759, 694 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.57-7.53 (m, 5H), 7.35-7.29 (m, 5H), 4.58 (d, J=11.7 Hz, 1H), 4.47 (d, J=11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.52-3.38 (m, 3H), 2.09–1.92 (m, 2H), 1.77–1.68 (m, 1H), 1.66–1.56 (m, 1H), 1.15–1.05 (m, 1H), 0.93–0.89 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 154.2, 138.4, 133.4, 129.8, 129.5, 128.1, 127.5, 127.3, 123.4, 81.4, 71.5, 36.9, 30.1, 29.8, 24.2, 14.7, 11.9. MS (ESI): 383 $[M + H]^+$. HRMS (ESI): m/z $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for C₂₁H₂₆N₄ONaS 405.1725, found 405.1741.

Compound 70. To a stirred solution of sulfide **69** (1.17 g, 3.06 mmol) in dichloromethane (15 mL) cooled at 0 °C was added mCPBA (2.27 g, 9.2 mmol). The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature gradually and stirred further for a period of 4 h when TLC examination revealed complete conversion of starting material. The reaction was quenched with an aqueous saturated NaHSO₃ solution (15 mL) and stirred for 20 min. The two layers were separated, then the organic layer was washed with saturated NaHCO3 solution, water, and brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure to furnish a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 10% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the sulfone 70 (1.2 g, 2.9 mmol) in 95% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.4 (25\% \text{ EtOAc/hexane}). [\alpha]^{25} - 12 (c$ 1.1, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3031, 2963, 2931, 2875, 1595, 1497, 1342, 1151, 1070, 762, 693 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.71-7.57 (m, 5H), 7.34-7.26 (m, 5H), 4.57 (d, J=11.7 Hz, 1H), 4.47 (d, J=11.7 Hz, 1H), 3.85-3.77 (m, 1H), 3.72-3.65 (m, 1H), 3.44 (qui, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.21–2.05 (m, 2H), 1.76–1.66 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.56 (m, 1H), 1.16-1.06 (m, 1H), 0.96-0.91 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 153.3, 138.1, 132.9, 131.3, 129.5, 128.3, 127.64, 127.61, 125.0, 80.7, 71.5, 53.1, 37.0, 24.0, 22.9, 14.9, 11.8. MS (ESI): 437 [M + Na]⁺. HRMS (ESI): m/z $[M + Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{21}H_{26}N_4O_3NaS$ 437.1623, found 437.1628.

Compound 71. To a stirred solution of sulfone **70** (468 mg, 1.13 mmol) in anhydrous THF (11 mL) cooled at -78 °C was added KHMDS (15% in toluene, 3 mL, 2.26 mmol) under nitrogen atmosphere and the reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 1 h. A solution of aldehyde **4** (640 mg, 0.94 mmol) in anhydrous THF (3 mL) was added dropwise via a syringe over a period of 10 min. The reaction mixture was stirred for 15 min at -78 °C and then water (6 mL) was added. The clear layers were separated and the aqueous phase was extracted once with EtOAc (8 mL). The combined organic extracts were successively washed with water and brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. Evaporation of the solvent under reduced pressure afforded a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 5% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the alkene **71** (756 mg, 0.87 mmol) in 93% yield as a

gummy liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.4 (10\% \text{ EtOAc/hexane}). [\alpha]^{25} + 40 (c$ ¹, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 2928, 2879, 1697, 1459, 1398, 1244, 1109, 1007, 737, 701 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) (mixture of two rotamers): δ 7.71–7.62 (m, 10H), 7.44–7.29 (m, 20H), 5.52-5.37 (m, 4H), 4.65-4.55 (m, 4H), 4.51-4.44 (m, 2H), 4.43-4.38 (m, 1H), 4.25-4.17 (m, 2H), 4.07-4.01 (m, 1H), 3.91-3.81 (m, 2H), 3.71-3.66 (m, 1H), 3.61-3.55 (m, 1H), 3.30-3.23 (m, 2H), 2.23-2.17 (m, 4H), 2.06-1.94 (m, 4H), 1.92-1.70 (m, 4H), 1.61-1.53 (m, 4H), 1.51-141 (m, 4H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.40–1.25 (m, 29H), 1.22–1.15 (m, 2H), 1.06 (s, 18H), 0.93-0.85 (m, 30H), 0.55-0.48 (m, 12H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) (mixture of two rotamers): δ 155.1, 154.8, 139.2, 135.6, 133.5, 133.3, 133.1, 133.0, 132.6, 132.5, 129.7, 129.6, 129.5, 128.1, 127.6, 127.5, 127.2, 126.8, 82.8, 78.8, 71.7, 71.4, 70.7, 65.9, 65.5, 65.3, 65.0, 61.3, 59.9, 37.6, 34.3, 32.7, 29.8, 29.7, 29.50, 29.4, 29.2, 28.9, 28.5, 28.4, 28.1, 27.1, 26.8, 26.77, 25.9, 25.6, 19.3, 14.2, 11.9, 6.7, 4.6. MS (ESI): 892 [M + Na]⁺. HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for C₅₃H₈₃NO₅NaSi₂ 892.5707, found 892.5726.

Compound 72. To a solution of alkene 71 (756 mg, 0.87 mmol) in a mixture of EtOAc and MeOH (1:1, 4 mL) was added $Pd(OH)_2$ (76 mg, 10% by wt). The reaction mixture was evacuated, subsequently filled with H₂, and stirred for 2 h at atmospheric pressure. The solid catalyst was filtered through a small pad of Celite and washed with ethyl acetate. Evaporation of the solvent in vacuo afforded a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 12% EtOAc/ hexane (v/v) as the eluent to furnish the hydroxy compound 72 (609 mg, 0.78 mmol) in 90% yield as a viscous oil. TLC: $R_f 0.5$ (25% EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$ +36 (c 0.8, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3452, 2928, 2858, 1695, 1461, 1404, 1245, 1111, 1008, 738, 703 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) (mixture of two rotamers): δ 7.72-7.63 (m, 8H), 7.47-7.33 (m, 12H), 4.65-4.56 (m, 2H), 4.44-4.37 (m, 1H), 4.27-4.16 (m, 2H), 4.08-4.00 (m, 1H), 3.91-3.81 (m, 2H), 3.71-3.64 (m, 1H), 3.60-3.57 (m, 1H), 3.55-3.48 (m, 2H), 1.91-1.80 (m, 2H), 1.51-1.38 (m, 18H), 1.36-1.15 (m, 44H), 1.08 (s, 9H), 1.06 (s, 9H), 0.93-0.85 (m, 30H), 0.56-0.46 (m, 12H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) (mixture of two rotamers): δ 155.2, 154.8, 135.7, 133.5, 133.1, 133.0, 129.7, 129.6, 127.6, 78.8, 74.8, 71.4, 70.8, 65.9, 65.5, 65.3, 65.0, 61.3, 59.9, 39.9, 34.5, 29.9, 29.7, 29.6, 28.5, 28.4, 28.1, 27.1, 26.8, 26.3, 26.0, 25.9, 19.3, 13.2, 11.9, 6.7, 4.7. MS (ESI): 782 $[M + H]^+$. HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for C₄₆H₇₉NO₅-NaSi₂ 804.5394, found 804.5381.

Compound 73. To a stirred solution of disilyl ether 72 (609 mg, 0.78 mmol) in anhydrous THF (4 mL) cooled at 0 °C was added tetrabutylammonium fluoride (1 M in THF, 2.3 mL, 2.3 mmol) dropwise. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature gradually and stirred further for a period of 1 h when TLC examination revealed complete conversion of starting material. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography with use of 45% EtOAc/hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the triol 73 (283 mg, 0.66 mmol) in 85% yield as a gummy liquid. TLC: $R_f 0.2$ (65% EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} + 17$ (c 0.7, CHCl₃). IR (neat): 3386, 2926, 2855, 1666, 1413, 1369, 1252, 1159, 1094, 1032, 769 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 4.29–4.06 (m, 3H), 3.88–3.73 (m, 2H), 3.56–3.48 (m, 1H), 1.88-1.71 (m, 2H), 1.59-1.15 (m, 21H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 0.93-0.85 (m, 6H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.7, 80.3, 74.9, 71.5, 65.7, 64.9, 64.2, 39.9, 34.4, 29.64, 29.6 29.5, 29.4, 28.4, 27.8, 26.2, 25.9, 25.88, 13.1, 11.8. MS (ESI): 430 [M + H]⁺. HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + Na]^+$ calcd for C₂₄H₄₇NO₅Na 452.3351, found 452.3368.

Compound 74. To a stirred solution of triol **73** (283 mg, 0.66 mmol) in dichloromethane (2 mL) cooled at 0 °C was added TFA (1 mL) dropwise. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature gradually and stirred further until no

remaining starting material could be detected by TLC (ca. 3 h). The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure, the residue thus obtained was dissolved in dichloromethane (3 mL), and Et₃N (0.75 mL, 5.3 mmol) and DMAP (16 mg, 0.13 mmol) were added followed by dropwise addition of acetic anhydride (0.37 mL, 4 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h and water (3 mL) was added. The clear layers were separated and the aqueous phase was extracted once with CHCl₃ (4 mL). The combined organic extracts were successively washed with water and brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. Evaporation of the solvent under reduced pressure afforded a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of 15% EtOAc/ hexane (v/v) as the eluent to afford the tetraacetate 74 (293 mg, 0.59 mmol) in 90% yield as a viscous liquid. TLC: R_f 0.4 (30%) EtOAc/hexane). $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} + 40 (c \ 0.8, \text{CHCl}_3) ([\alpha]^{27}_{D} + 38 (c \ 0.378,$ CHCl₃)).^{3c} IR (neat): 2927, 2856, 1744, 1655, 1414, 1374, 1237, 1042, 953, 755, 603 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) (mixture of two rotamers): δ 5.26 (dd, J = 4.0, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (dd, J =3.4, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.87–4.84 (m, 2H), 4.71 (dd, J=3.4, 11.7 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (dd, J = 3.4, 11.7 Hz, 1H), 4.47-4.43 (m, 2H), 4.39–4.36 (m, 2H), 4.35–4.33 (m, 1H), 4.29 (dd, J = 2.8, 12.4 Hz, 1H), 2.14 (s, 3H), 2.13 (s, 3H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.06 (s, 6H), 1.93 (s, 3H), 1.90 (s, 3H), 1.81–1.69 (m, 4H), 1.56–1.46 (m, 6H), 1.41-1.36 (m, 2H), 1.35-1.19 (m, 32H), 1.15-1.10 (m, 2H), 0.90–0.87 (m, 12H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) (mixture of two rotamers): δ 171.0, 170.5, 170.4, 170.35, 170.2, 170.1, 170.0, 77.0, 67.4, 66.6, 66.4, 65.0, 64.8, 63.2, 62.3, 61.0, 38.0, 31.4, 29.6, 29.5, 29.4, 29.1, 26.9, 25.7, 25.5, 25.2, 21.2, 21.0, 20.8, 20.7, 20.6, 13.9, 11.7. MS (ESI): 498 [M + H]⁺. HRMS (ESI): m/z [M + Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₇H₄₇NO₇Na 520.3250, found 520.3257.

Penaresidin A. To a stirred solution of triol **73** (8 mg, 0.019 mmol) in dichloromethane (0.13 mL) cooled at 0 °C was added TFA (0.07 mL) dropwise. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature gradually and stirred further until no

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remaining starting material could be detected by TLC (ca. 2 h). The reaction mixture was diluted with dichloromethane (0.5 mL) and an excess of aqueous saturated NaHCO₃ solution was added dropwise. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2 \times 1 mL). The combined organic extracts were successively washed with brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. Evaporation of the solvent under reduced pressure afforded a crude product that was purified by column chromatography with use of t-BuOH/CHCl₃/AcOH/ H_2O (6:6:1:1 v/v) as the eluent to afford penaresidin A·AcOH (6.5 mg, 0.0073 mmol) in 88% yield as an oil. TLC: Rf 0.5 (6:6:1:1 t-BuOH/CHCl₃/AcOH/H₂O). $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ -15.5 (c 0.25, MeOH). IR (neat): 3427, 2924, 2854, 1565, 1410, 1123, 654 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 4.54–4.49 (m, 1H), 4.21-4.14 (m, 1H), 4.07-4.01 (m, 1H), 3.86-3.78 (m, 2H), 3.46-3.41 (m, 1H), 1.96-1.80 (m, 2H), 1.91 (s, 3H), 1.53-1.45 (m, 1H), 1.44–1.23 (m, 19H), 1.21–1.14 (m, 1H), 0.91 (t, J=7.3 Hz, 3H), 0.86 (t, J = 6.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 180.1, 75.5, 69.8, 66.5, 65.2, 59.9, 41.5, 35.4, 30.9, 30.8, 30.75, 30.7, 30.6, 30.5, 28.0, 27.5, 27.1, 26.3, 14.0, 12.3. MS (ESI): 330 $[M + H]^+$. HRMS (ESI): $m/z [M + H]^+$ calcd for C₁₉H₄₀NO₃ 330.3008, found 330.2994.

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