

Silver(I)-promoted asymmetric halomethoxylation of chiral α,β -unsaturated carboxylic acid derivatives: enantioselective synthesis of N-protected *syn*- β -methoxy- α -amino acids

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Abstract—Asymmetric halomethoxylation of chiral α,β -unsaturated carboxylic acid derivatives was performed with halogens (Br_2/I_2) promoted by silver(I) salts with high regio- and *anti*-selectivity and moderate to good diastereoselectivity. Reagent controlled diastereoselectivity was observed for *N*-cinnamoyl-2-oxazolidinone substrates especially for cinnamoyl and electron-deficient cinnamoyl substrates, when Ag_2O was used as a promoter instead of AgNO_3 . Enoyl substrates containing Oppolzer's sultam chiral auxiliary are independent of the counter ion of the Ag(I) salt. This method was applied to a short synthesis of both enantiomers of N-protected *syn*- β -methoxyphenylalanine, and N- and O-protected *syn*- β -methoxytyrosine, unusual amino acid components of biologically active cyclic peptide and depsipeptide antibiotics.
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1. Introduction

β -Methoxy- α -amino acids are the unusual amino acid components of many biologically active cyclic peptide and depsipeptide antibiotics such as callipeltines,¹ papuamides,² cyclomarins,³ neamphamide A⁴ and discokiolides.⁵ There are only a few reports on asymmetric synthesis of β -methoxy- α -amino acids.^{6–11} Hamada and co-workers reported the diastereoselective synthesis of all stereoisomers of β -methoxytyrosine based on Garner's aldehyde and determined the absolute stereochemistry of the residue in papuamide A.⁶ A catalytic and asymmetric method for the synthesis of an *anti* disposed aromatic β -hydroxy- α -amino acid, a key intermediate for the synthesis of *anti*- β -methoxyamino acid, has also been described by the same group.⁷ Recently, D'Auria et al. determined the absolute configuration of β -methoxytyrosine in callipeltin A by synthesizing all the stereoisomers of that residue.⁸ Gustafson et al. described the complete stereochemistry of neamphamide A and absolute configuration of the β -methoxytyrosine residue in papuamide B.⁹ Synthesis of four stereoisomers of β -methoxytyrosine from serine has also been reported by Joullié et al.¹⁰ Boukhris and Souizi described¹¹ the reduc-

tion of β -alkoxy- α -oximino acid esters to β -alkoxy- α -amino esters by NaBH_4 in the presence of TiCl_3 and L-tartaric acid, but the configuration of the diastereomers and the enantioselectivities were not determined.

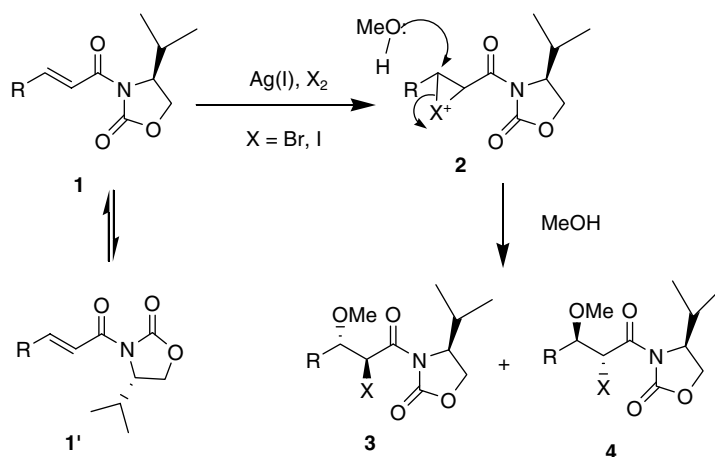
α -Halo- β -methoxy-carboxylic acid derivatives, similar to carboxyhalohydrins,¹² would be an important direct precursor to the β -methoxyamino acids. A potentially straight forward method for the synthesis of α -halo- β -methoxy-carboxylic acid derivatives is the regio- and stereoselective halomethoxylation reaction of α,β -unsaturated carboxylic acid derivatives.¹³

Herein, we report,¹⁴ in detail, the silver(I)-promoted asymmetric halomethoxylation of chiral α,β -unsaturated carboxylic acid derivatives with high regio- and diastereoselectivities up to 86:14 of *anti*- α -halo- β -methoxy carbonyls. Their application to the short synthesis of both enantiomers of N-protected *syn*- β -methoxyphenylalanine and N- and O-protected *syn*- β -methoxytyrosine, unusual amino acid components of cyclomarins and neamphamide A are also described.

2. Results and discussion

Initially, (4*S*)-*N*-cinnamoyl-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinones¹⁵ were selected as substrates for the development

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Scheme 1.

of the diastereoselective halomethoxylation reaction. It was assumed that the β -aryl group of the three membered halonium intermediate **2** would enhance electrophilicity towards the methanol nucleophile to achieve high regioselectivity (Scheme 1, R = Ar), thus affording the β -methoxyamino acid components of the biologically active natural cyclic peptide and depsipeptide antibiotics possessing a β -aryl group.^{1–5} The auxiliary of choice was an oxazolidinone derived from readily available L-valine.^{15a,b} It is well known that chelated *N*-cinnamoyl-2-oxazolidinone usually exists in the *s-cis-syn-dipole* conformation **1'** and unchelated one in the *s-cis-anti-dipole* conformation **1**. So, it was expected to provide different diastereoselectivity depending on the reaction conditions. Initially, it was presumed that the halomethoxylation reaction of **1** would yield **4** as the major diastereoisomer.

There are only a few reports¹⁶ on the halomethoxylation of α,β -unsaturated carbonyls. By screening those methods we found that the combination of silver nitrate and halogen (Br_2/I_2) in methanol favours the regio- and stereoselective halomethoxylation of chiral *N*-enoyl-2-oxazolidinones **1** over aromatic electrophilic substitution. Initially, AgNO_3 promoted halomethoxylation of three electronically different cinnamoyl substrates **1a–1c**, containing (4*S*)-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone as a chiral auxiliary were studied (Table 1). Therefore, a methanolic solution of substrate **1a** was treated with silver nitrate (1.2 equiv) and bromine (1.2 equiv) at rt (25 °C). Within 20 min, it gave the desired α -bromo- β -methoxycarbonyls **3a** and **4a** with a diastereomeric ratio (dr) of 67:33 in 80% yield (entry 1). A little improvement in dr, as well as yield, was obtained when the reaction was performed at 0–5 °C (entry 2). However, bromomethoxylation of **1a** in the absence of AgNO_3 gave a mixture of products. Among them, the desired compounds **3a/4a** (25%) and a non-separable mixture of diastereoisomers (dr 60:40) of dibromo compounds *anti*-(4*S*)-3-(2',3'-dibromo-3'-phenyl-propionyl)-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone (28%) were obtained.¹⁷ The iodomethoxylation of **1a** under the same reaction conditions, using I_2 as halogen source gave <5% of the desired products, and there was no improvement even

Table 1. AgNO_3 -promoted halomethoxylation of **1** under different reaction conditions^a

| Entry | Substrate | R | X | Ratio ^b (3:4) | Yield ^c (%) |
|----------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|----|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 ^d | 1a | Ph | Br | 67:33 (65:35) | 80 |
| 2 | 1a | Ph | Br | 71:29 (70:30) | 92 |
| 3 | 1a | Ph | I | ND | <5 ^e |
| 4 | 1b | 4- $\text{NO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ | Br | 65:35 (65:35) | 84 |
| 5 | 1b | 4- $\text{NO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ | I | — | NR |
| 6 ^d | 1c | 4-MeOC ₆ H ₄ | I | 60:40 (62:38) | 89 |
| 7 | 1c | 4-MeOC ₆ H ₄ | I | 62:38 (61:39) | 94 |
| 8 | 1c | 4-MeOC ₆ H ₄ | Br | 65:35 ^f (66:34) | 96 ^g |

ND: Not determined; NR: no reaction.

^a Halomethoxylation reactions were performed using 1.2 equiv of AgNO_3 and 1.2 equiv of halogen (X_2) in methanol at 0–5 °C for 30 min.

^b Determined from the ¹H NMR spectrum of the crude reaction mixture. Ratios in the parentheses refer to the ratio of isolated **3** and **4** after column chromatography.

^c Combined isolated yields of **3** and **4** after chromatography.

^d Reaction at room temperature (25 °C).

^e >90% of **1a** was recovered.

^f Ratio of compounds **3'c** and **4'c**.

^g Combined isolated yields of **3'c** and **4'c** after chromatography, when excess AgNO_3 (2.5 equiv) and Br_2 (2.5 equiv) were used.

with the use of excess reagents and under different reaction conditions (entry 3). Electron-deficient cinnamoyl substrate **1b** also underwent bromomethoxylation, but no iodomethoxylation. Alternatively, substrate **1c** readily underwent the iodomethoxylation with moderate diastereoselectivity, while the bromomethoxylation reaction provided two undesired products **3'c** and **4'c** (65:35) in 41% yield (43% of **1c** was recovered) and later these two undesired compounds were characterized as diastereomers of *anti*-(4*S*)-3-[2'-bromo-3'-methoxy-3'-(3-bromo-4-methoxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone **3'c** and **4'c**, whereby the *p*-methoxy phenyl fragment had also been brominated (Fig. 1). When the same reaction was again performed with an excess of AgNO_3 (2.5 equiv) and Br_2 (2.5 equiv) under the same conditions, compounds **3'c** and **4'c** were obtained in 96% yield (entry 8). The halomethoxylation of **1a–1c** was also studied under different temperatures. It was found that at –10 °C, all three substrates **1a–1c**

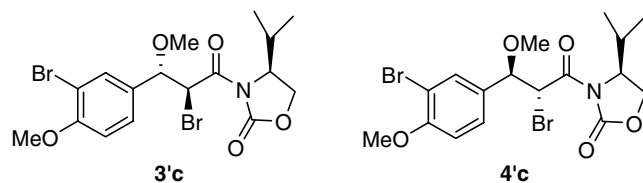
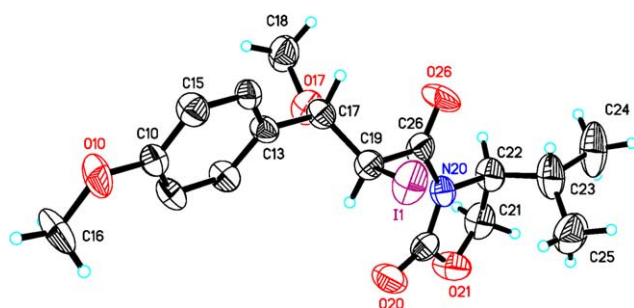


Figure 1.

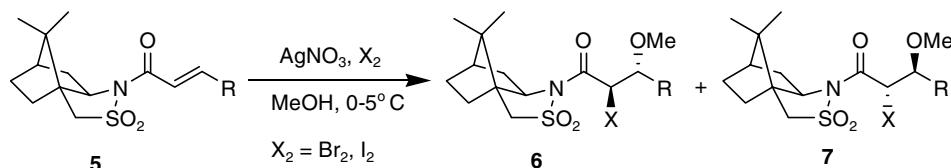
smoothly underwent halomethoxylation without any appreciable change in dr and yields. However, at $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, it gave poor yields with incomplete conversion and there was no reaction at $-40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$. Compounds **1a–1c** also responded to the halomethoxylation reaction in other non-nucleophilic solvents such as CH_2Cl_2 , CH_3COCH_3 , CH_3CN containing 5–20% of methanol and showed similar dr and yields, but **1a** and **1b** did not undergo any reaction in methanolic THF, whereas **1c** responded to the iodomethoxylation reaction in methanolic THF. The stereochemistry of **3** was confirmed by a single crystal X-ray analysis of compound **3c** (Fig. 2).¹⁸

Figure 2. ORTEP diagram of **3c**.

Since, the chiral auxiliary (4*S*)-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone gave moderate to good diastereoselectivities, we have also examined other oxazolidinone chiral auxiliaries viz (4*S*)-4-phenyl- and (4*S*)-4-(diphenylmethyl)-2-oxazolidinones.^{15,19} Halomethoxylation of substrates containing different oxazolidinone chiral auxiliaries (Ph and Ph_2CH) using either Br_2 or I_2 gave complex mixtures

of products. One of the undesired products was identified as a halocarbocyclized product.^{17,20} This halomethoxylation reaction was further studied for the cinnamoyl substrates **5a–5c** containing another well-known chiral auxiliary, Oppolzer's bornane sultam.²¹ AgNO_3 -promoted halomethoxylation of **5a–5c** showed improved diastereoselectivity²² (Table 2). Substrates **5a** and **5c** responded well to both bromomethoxylation and iodomethoxylation reactions. Unlike **1c**, **5c** provided only bromomethoxylated products **6c** and **7c** (entry 5), no arene bromination was observed. Bromomethoxylation reaction of **5a** gave a lower yield of a non-separable mixture of diastereomers; *Br*-**6a** and *Br*-**7a**, while the iodomethoxylation products of **5c** could not be obtained in pure form since purification by chromatography resulted in decomposition via an elimination pathway to afford **5c**. Similar to **1b**, substrate **5b** underwent only bromomethoxylation reaction (entry 3).

To assess whether the counter ion of Ag(I) salt affects the diastereoselectivity of halomethoxylation reactions, studies were carried out employing the electronically different cinnamoyl substrates **1a–1c** and **5a–5c** using AgOAc and Ag_2O instead of AgNO_3 as a promoter under a variety of reaction conditions (Table 3). AgNO_3 (Eq. 1) and AgOAc (Eq. 2) produce nitric acid and acetic acid, respectively, on reaction with a halogen in MeOH , whereas Ag_2O produces water as a by-product (Eq. 3) under the same conditions. When the halomethoxylation reactions of **1a–1c** were performed in the presence of AgOAc instead of AgNO_3 , similar results were obtained with **3** being produced as the major diastereomer (entries 1–3).²³ However, in the case of Ag_2O -mediated reactions,²³ diastereoselectivities were in favour of the diastereomers **4** (entries 4–6) and more interestingly, compounds **1a** and the electron-deficient **1b** showed opposite diastereoselectivities (entries 4 and 5) compared to the AgNO_3 (Table 1, entries 2 and 4) or AgOAc (Table 3, entries 1 and 2) mediated reactions. When the Ag_2O -promoted halomethoxylation reactions of **1a–1c** were performed in the presence of either AcOH or HNO_3 as an additive,²⁴ diastereoselectivities (entries 7–9) similar to either AgNO_3 or AgOAc -promoted reactions were obtained. However, no counter ion effect on

Table 2. AgNO_3 -promoted halomethoxylation reactions of **5**

| Entry | Substrate | R | X | Ratio (6:7) ^a | Yield (%) ^b |
|-------|-----------|--------------------------------------|----|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | 5a | Ph | Br | 65:35 | 76 |
| 2 | 5a | Ph | I | 77:23 | 95 |
| 3 | 5b | 2- $\text{NO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ | Br | 72:28 | 94 |
| 4 | 5b | 2- $\text{NO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ | I | — | NR |
| 5 | 5c | 4- MeOC_6H_4 | Br | 71:29 | 92 |
| 6 | 5c | 4- MeOC_6H_4 | I | — | ^c |

^a Ratio of isolated **6** and **7** after column purification.

^b Combined isolated yield of **6** and **7** after column chromatography.

^c Compounds *I*-**6c** and *I*-**7c** could not be isolated in pure form as they decomposed during silica gel (230–400 mesh) column purification.

Table 3. AgOAc- and Ag₂O-promoted halomethoxylation reaction^a

| Entry | Substrate | Ag(I) salt | Additive | X | dr ^b (3:4)/(6:7) | Yield (%) ^c |
|-------|-----------|-------------------|------------------|----|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | 1a | AgOAc | None | Br | 70:30 | 86 |
| 2 | 1b | AgOAc | None | Br | 63:37 | 92 |
| 3 | 1c | AgOAc | None | I | 61:39 | 97 |
| 4 | 1a | Ag ₂ O | None | Br | 27:73 | 89 |
| 5 | 1b | Ag ₂ O | None | Br | 35:65 | 83 |
| 6 | 1c | Ag ₂ O | None | I | 48:52 | 91 |
| 7 | 1a | Ag ₂ O | HNO ₃ | Br | 72:28 (70:30) | 79 (82) |
| 8 | 1b | Ag ₂ O | HNO ₃ | Br | 64:36 (67:33) | 83 (81) |
| 9 | 1c | Ag ₂ O | HNO ₃ | I | 61:39 (62:38) | 74 (78) |
| 10 | 5a | Ag ₂ O | None | I | 75:25 | 84 |
| 11 | 5b | Ag ₂ O | None | Br | 70:30 | 91 |
| 12 | 5c | Ag ₂ O | None | Br | 70:30 | 93 |

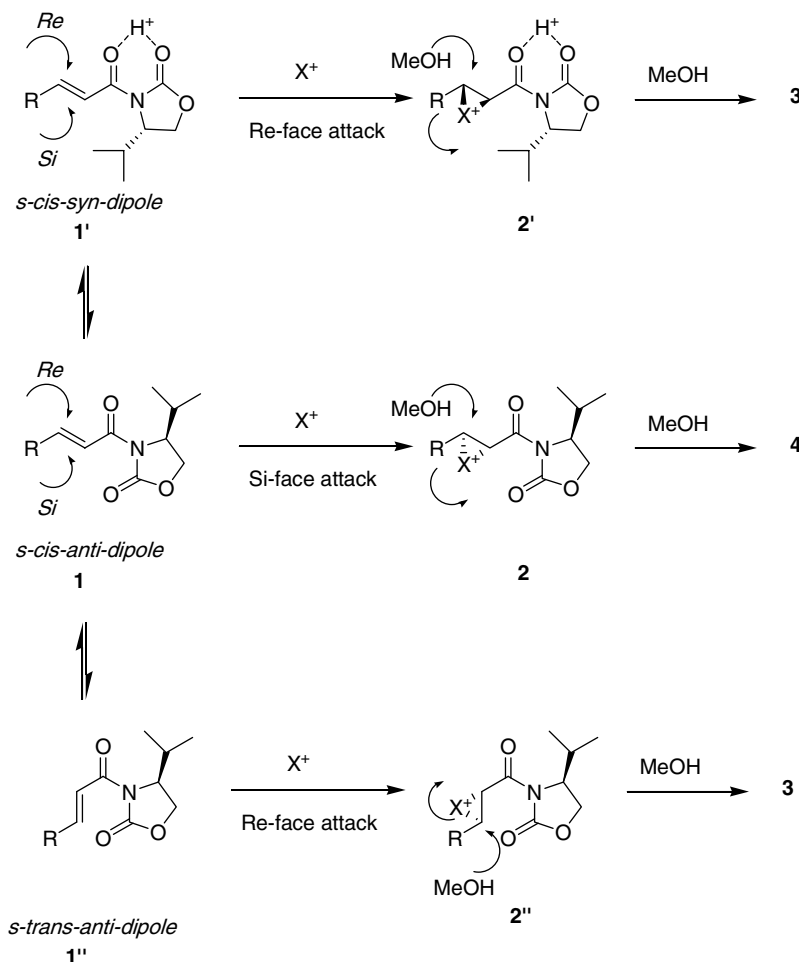
^a Ag₂O-promoted halomethoxylation reactions were performed using 0.7 equiv of Ag₂O and 1.2 equiv of halogen (X₂) in methanol at 0–5 °C for 30 min and the AgOAc-promoted reaction was the same as AgNO₃ in Table 1.

^b Determined from the ¹H NMR spectrum of the crude reaction mixture. Ratios in parentheses refer to reactions in the presence of AcOH.

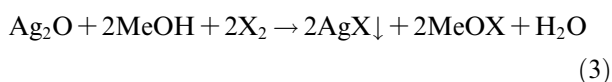
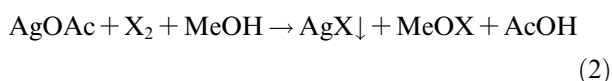
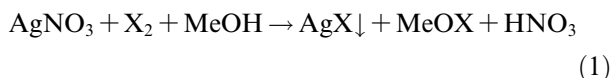
^c Combined isolated yields.

the diastereoselectivities of halomethoxylation of substrates **5a–5c** containing the sultam chiral auxiliary (entries 10–12) was observed. Reactions of either AgNO₃ or AgOAc with halogens in methanol generate acid (Eqs. 1 and 2), so it may be proposed that a H⁺-chelated *s-cis-syn-dipole* conformation **1'** might be involved in these halomethoxylation reactions. The

preferred attack of X⁺ from the *Re-face* of conformation **1'** and subsequent (*anti*) opening of the halonium intermediate **2'** by nucleophilic attack of MeOH at the β-position yielded **3** as the major diastereomer (Scheme 2). In the Ag₂O-promoted reaction, the *Si-face* of the unchelated *s-cis-anti-dipole* conformation **1** might be involved giving **4** as a major diastereomer. This model

**Scheme 2.**

is supported by the Ag_2O -mediated reactions performed in the presence of either HNO_3 or AcOH as an additive (Table 3, entries 7–9). The poor diastereoselectivities of the electron-rich substrate **1c** in Ag_2O -promoted reactions (Table 3, entry 6) might be accounted for by the involvement of both the equilibrated *s-cis*- and *s-trans-anti-dipole* conformations **1** and **1''**, due to extensive conjugation of the electron donating substituent at the *p*-position with the α,β -unsaturated carbonyls.



It was found that in the absence of the AgNO_3 , bromomethoxylation of **1a** gave a mixture of bromomethoxylated products and dibromo compounds with almost no selectivity. So, Ag(I) is necessary as a X^- scavenger for the selective formation of halomethoxylated compounds. Further, the counter ion effect of Ag(I) salts on the diastereoselectivity of the halomethoxylation reaction and the effect of HNO_3 and AcOH as additives in Ag_2O promoted reactions also support the role of Ag(I) salt as a X^- scavenger but not as Lewis acid. Otherwise, compound **3** would always have the major diastereomer irrespective of the counter ion of Ag(I) salts.

We also attempted to extend our methodology for the synthesis of other haloalkoxylated carbonyl compounds (Table 4), as key intermediates for β -alkoxy- α -amino

acids of potential interest for exploring the structure–activity relationship study of derived biologically active peptide and depsipeptides.^{1–5} It was found that substrates **1a–1c** smoothly underwent haloalkoxylation with EtOH and $\text{MeOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$, however, none of the desired products were obtained using *n*-hexanol, PhCH_2OH , $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCH}_2\text{OH}$, *i*-PrOH as nucleophiles.

It was found that using $\text{AgNO}_3/\text{AgOAc}$ as a promoter with (4*S*)-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone as a chiral auxiliary or the use of any Ag(I) salt with Oppolzer's sultam chiral auxiliary provide the best combination for these types of Ag(I) -promoted halomethoxylation reactions. To investigate further the scope and limitation of this asymmetric reaction, a variety of other enoyl substrates containing (4*S*)-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidi-

Table 5. AgNO_3 -promoted halomethoxylation of different enoyl substrates **1**^a

| Entry | Substrate | R | X | Ratio ^b (3:4) | Yield ^c (%) |
|----------------|-----------|--|----|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | 1d | 2-ClC ₆ H ₄ | Br | 60:40 (60:40) | 91 |
| 2 | 1e | 4-BnOC ₆ H ₄ | I | 77:23 (75:25) | 92 |
| 3 | 1f | 3,4-MeOC ₆ H ₃ | I | 76:24 (75:25) | 91 |
| 4 | 1g | 3,4,5-MeOC ₆ H ₂ | I | 74:26 (75:25) | 93 |
| 5 ^d | 1h | 2-Naphthyl | I | 73:27 (73:27) | 88 |
| 6 | 1i | CH ₃ | Br | 86:14 ^e (85:15) | 62 ^f |

^a Halomethoxylation reactions were performed using 1.2 equiv of AgNO_3 and 1.2 equiv of halogen (X_2) in methanol at 0–5 °C for 30 min.

^b Determined from the ¹H NMR spectrum of the crude reaction mixture. Ratios in the parentheses refer to the ratio of isolated **3** and **4** after column chromatography.

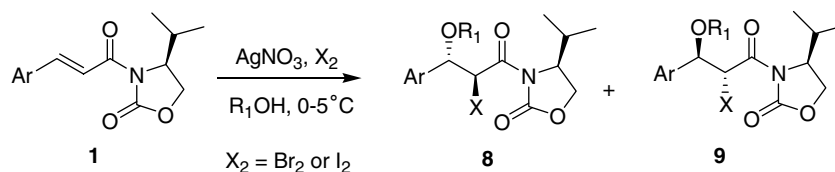
^c Combined isolated yields of **3** and **4** after column chromatography.

^d 30% CH_2Cl_2 used due to poor solubility of the substrate **1h** in methanol.

^e Including 18% of the other regioisomers.

^f Isolated yield of the major isomer **3i** only, minor isomer **4i** could not be separated from the other regioisomers.

Table 4. AgNO_3 -promoted haloalkoxylation of **1**



| Entry | Substrate | R ₁ OH | X | Ratio ^a (8:9) | Yield ^b (%) |
|-------|-----------|--|----|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | 1a | EtOH | Br | 70:30 | 89 |
| 2 | 1a | 2-MeOCH ₂ CH ₂ OH | Br | 71:29 | 84 |
| 3 | 1b | EtOH | Br | 66:34 | 92 |
| 4 | 1b | 2-MeOCH ₂ CH ₂ OH | Br | 68:32 | 88 |
| 5 | 1c | EtOH | I | — | 51 ^c |
| 6 | 1c | 2-MeOCH ₂ CH ₂ OH | I | 67:33 | 85 |
| 7 | 1a | <i>n</i> -Hexanol | Br | ND | ^d |
| 8 | 1a | PhCH_2OH , Allyl alcohol, <i>i</i> -PrOH | Br | — | NR |

NR: No reaction; ND: not determined.

^a Ratio of isolated **8** and **9** after column purification.

^b Combined isolated yields of **8** and **9** after column chromatography.

^c Isolated yield of isomer **8**, due to instability of minor isomer **9** in silica gel during column chromatography.

^d Mixture of products.

none as a chiral auxiliary were studied (Table 5). Another electron-deficient cinnamoyl substrate **1d** smoothly underwent the bromomethoxylation reaction under the same reaction conditions with moderate diastereoselectivity (entry 1). Similar to **1b**, no iodohydrin reaction was observed for **1d**. Electron-rich cinnamoyl substrates **1e–1g** preferred to undergo the iodomethoxylation reaction with good diastereoselectivity (entries 2–4), while the bromomethoxylation reaction of **1e–1g** gave a mixture of products. Substrate **1h** behaved like an electron-rich cinnamoyl substrate, that is it responded to the iodomethoxylation reaction (entry 5), whilst alkenoyl substrate **1i** underwent bromomethoxylation reaction with a good dr of 86:14 along with 18% of other regioisomers (entry 6).

After achieving the reagent controlled reverse diastereoselectivity of the halomethoxylation reaction of oxazolidinone derived cinnamoyl substrates, the usefulness of the process was exemplified in the short synthesis of both enantiomers of N-protected *syn*- β -methoxyphenylalanine, and N- and O-protected *syn*- β -methoxytyrosine (Scheme 3). Ag₂O mediated halomethoxylation reaction of **1a** gave α -bromo- β -methoxy-carboxylic acid derivative **4a** as major product in 64% yield. Reaction of **4a** with NaN₃ in DMF at 60 °C gave *syn*- α -azido- β -methoxy-carboxylic acid derivative **10a** (84%). Subsequent removal of the chiral auxiliary by treatment with LiOH and H₂O₂ in THF at 0 °C yielded *syn*- α -azido- β -methoxy-carboxylic acid **12a** (77%). Compound **12a** can be used directly as N-protected β -methoxyphenylalanine for the synthesis of cyclomarins, as azido-carboxylic acids serve as N-protected amino acids in peptide antibiotic syntheses.^{12b} In the same way, the other *syn*-enantiomer of N-protected- β -methoxyphenylalanine **12'a** was synthesized from the major isomer **3a**, obtained by AgNO₃-mediated bromomethoxylation reaction of **1a**. The absolute stereochemistry of the β -methoxytyrosine fragment of callipeltins⁷ and papuamides^{6,9} have recently been determined and found to be *anti* and the

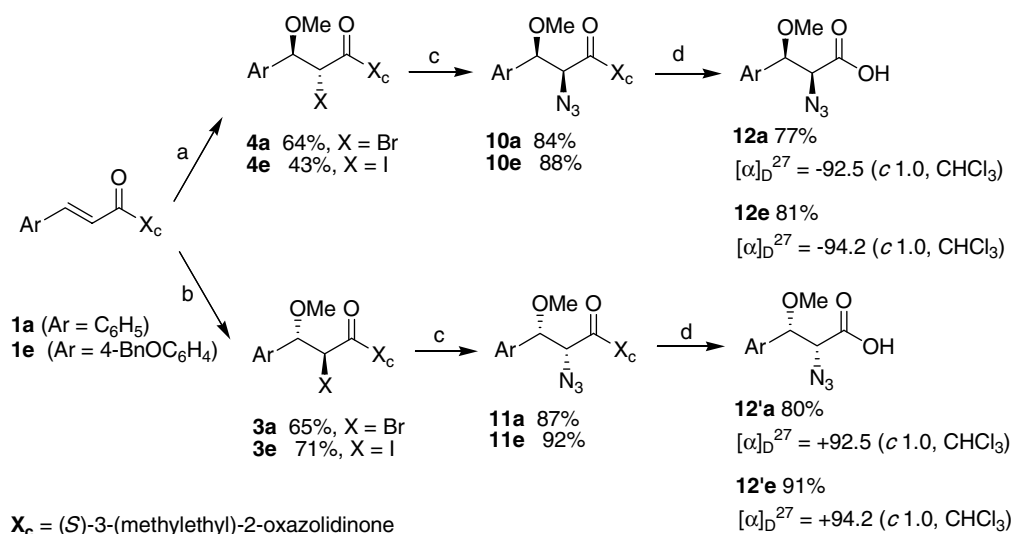
absolute stereostructure of β -methoxytyrosine residue in neamphamide A⁹ is *syn*. Both enantiomers of *syn*-2-azido-3-(4-benzyloxy-phenyl)-3-methoxy-propionic acids **12e** and **12'e** were similarly synthesized from **1e**, which can directly be used as N- and O-protected β -methoxytyrosine building blocks for the synthesis of peptides.

3. Conclusion

In conclusion, we have described the Ag(I)-promoted asymmetric halomethoxylation reaction of chiral α,β -unsaturated carboxylic acid derivatives **1** and **5** with high regio- and *anti*-selectivity and moderate to good diastereoselectivity in good yields. Alkenoyl, cinnamoyl and electron-deficient cinnamoyl substrates smoothly underwent bromomethoxylation, whereas the electron-rich cinnamoyl substrates were best suited to the iodomethoxylation reaction. More interestingly for halomethoxylation of N-cinnamoyl-2-oxazolidinones **1**, the use of Ag₂O reverses the diastereoselectivity, with greatest stereocontrol being observed for cinnamoyl and electron-deficient cinnamoyl substrates. However, no counter ion effect for the Ag(I) salt was observed for cinnamoyl substrates containing sultam chiral auxiliary. This process has been applied to the synthesis of both enantiomers of N-protected *syn*- β -methoxyphenylalanine and N- and O-protected *syn*- β -methoxytyrosine. Thus, this methodology offers a general asymmetric method for the synthesis of *syn*- β -methoxy- α -amino acids.

4. Experimental

All reactions were conducted using oven-dried glassware under an atmosphere of Argon (Ar). Commercial grade reagents were used without further purification. Solvents were dried and distilled following usual protocols. Flash chromatography was carried out using Spectrochem



Scheme 3. Reagents and conditions: (a) Ag₂O, X₂, MeOH, 0–5 °C, 30 min; (b) AgNO₃, X₂, MeOH, 0–5 °C, 30 min; (c) NaN₃, DMF, 60 °C, 2.5–3 h; (d) LiOH, H₂O₂, THF, 0–5 °C, 2 h.

Silica gel (230–400 mesh) purchased from Spectrochem, India. TLC was performed on aluminium-backed plates coated with Silica gel 60 with F₂₅₄ indicator (Merck).

The ¹H NMR spectra were measured on a Bruker-200 (200 MHz) and ¹³C NMR spectra were measured with Bruker-200 (50 MHz) using CDCl₃ as a solvent. ¹H NMR chemical shifts are expressed in parts per million (δ) downfield to CHCl₃ (δ = 7.26); ¹³C NMR chemical shifts are expressed in parts per million (δ) relative to the central CDCl₃ resonance (δ = 77.0). Coupling constants in ¹H NMR are expressed in Hertz. Elemental analyses were carried out on a Perkin–Elmer 2400-II. Melting points were measured using Toshniwal (India) melting point apparatus. Substrates **1** and **5** were synthesized following the literature procedures.^{15,21,25}

4.1. General experimental procedure for the halomethoxylation reaction

To a well-stirred solution of the substrate **1** or **5** (1 mmol) in MeOH (20 ml), Ag(I) salt (for AgNO₃ 1.2 mmol and Ag₂O 0.7 mmol) and X₂ (Br₂ or I₂, 1.2 mmol) were added, respectively, at 0–5 °C and allowed to stir under argon for 20–30 min. On completion, the reaction mixture was diluted with H₂O and extracted with Et₂O at least three times. The combined organic layer was washed with water and dried over Na₂SO₄. The organic solution was filtered through a small Celite pad (otherwise locking problem or poor base line was found in the ¹H NMR of the crude mixture) and the filtrate was concentrated under vacuum. Flash column chromatography of the crude mixture using petroleum ether–EtOAc as eluent gave the desired halomethoxylated compounds in pure form.

4.2. *anti*-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-methoxy-3'-phenylpropionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone **3a**

White solid, Mp 75–77 °C; [α]_D²⁷ = +84.3 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.50–7.30 (m, 5H), 5.83 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.68 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.65–4.50 (m, 1H), 4.40–4.20 (m, 2H), 3.19 (s, 3H), 2.52–2.35 (m, 1H), 0.96 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (d, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 168.3, 153.1, 136.9, 128.8, 128.3 (4C), 83.4, 63.5, 58.5, 57.4, 44.1, 28.1, 17.7, 14.8. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₀BrNO₄: C, 51.90; H, 5.44; N, 3.78. Found: C, 51.87; H, 5.42; N, 3.89.

4.3. *anti*-(4*S*,2'*R*,3'*R*)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-methoxy-3'-phenylpropionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone **4a**

White solid, Mp 71–73 °C; [α]_D²⁷ = –4.8 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.50–7.30 (m, 5H), 5.94 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.60–4.50 (m, 1H), 4.50–4.20 (m, 2H), 3.16 (s, 3H), 2.52–2.30 (m, 1H), 0.97 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 168.7, 153.2, 136.8, 128.8, 128.3 (4C), 84.7, 63.4, 58.9, 57.2, 44.0, 28.3, 17.7, 14.5. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₀BrNO₄: C, 51.90; H, 5.44; N, 3.78. Found: C, 51.91; H, 5.47; N, 3.81.

4.4. *anti*-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-methoxy-3'-(2-nitrophenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone **3b**

Gummy liquid; [α]_D²⁷ = +171.35 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.86 (d, *J* = 7.96, 1H), 7.78–7.65 (m, 3H), 5.83 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 5.61 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.60–4.75 (m, 1H), 4.45–4.20 (m, 2H), 3.30 (s, 3H), 2.52–2.30 (m, 1H), 0.93 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 3H), 0.88 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 167.1, 153.8, 150.6, 132.9, 132.2, 129.4, 129.3, 123.9, 76.8, 63.5, 58.4, 58.2, 44.2, 27.9, 17.7, 14.7. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₉BrN₂O₆: C, 46.28; H, 4.61; N, 6.75. Found: C, 46.15; H, 4.51; N, 6.79.

4.5. *anti*-(4*S*,2'*R*,3'*R*)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-methoxy-3'-(2-nitrophenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone **4b**

White solid; Mp 83–85 °C; [α]_D²⁷ = +18.6 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.90–7.60 (m, 3H), 7.59–7.49 (m, 1H), 5.88 (d, *J* = 9.7 Hz, 1H), 5.59 (d, *J* = 9.7 Hz, 1H), 4.57–4.45 (m, 1H), 4.40–4.20 (m, 2H), 3.29 (s, 3H), 2.52–2.30 (m, 1H), 0.98 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 3H), 0.95 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 167.5, 153.2, 150.8, 133.0, 132.3, 129.4, 129.1, 123.8, 78.0, 63.5, 59.0, 58.0, 43.8, 28.3, 17.7, 14.5. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₉BrN₂O₆: C, 46.28; H, 4.61; N, 6.75. Found: C, 46.33; H, 4.68; N, 6.71.

4.6. *anti*-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Iodo-3'-methoxy-3'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone **3c**

White solid; Mp 141–143 °C; [α]_D²⁷ = +22.5 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.01 (d, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (d, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.65–4.50 (m, 1H), 4.45–4.20 (m, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.16 (s, 3H), 2.55–2.32 (m, 1H), 0.97 (t, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 3H), 0.88 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 169.8, 159.9, 153.1, 129.5 (3C), 113.6 (2C), 83.8, 63.3, 58.4, 57.6, 55.2, 27.9, 24.4, 17.8, 15.0. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₂₂INO₅: C, 45.65; H, 4.96; N, 3.13. Found: C, 45.46; H, 4.99; N, 3.03.

4.7. *anti*-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Iodo-3'-methoxy-3'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone **4c**

White solid; Mp 87–89 °C; [α]_D²⁷ = –19.5 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.05 (d, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (d, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.55–4.45 (m, 1H), 4.33 (t, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.14 (s, 3H), 2.55–2.30 (m, 1H), 0.95 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 3H), 0.92 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 172.0, 159.9, 153.3, 129.5 (2C), 129.4, 113.5 (2C), 85.0, 63.3, 58.9, 57.3, 55.1, 28.4, 24.0, 17.7, 14.5. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₂₂INO₅: C, 45.65; H, 4.96; N, 3.13. Found: C, 45.77; H, 4.90; N, 2.99.

4.8. anti-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-methoxy-3'-(3-bromo-4-methoxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 3'*c*

Liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{28} = +88.9$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.58 (d, *J* = 2.11 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (dd, *J* = 8.38, 2.11 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.38 Hz, 1H), 5.74 (d, *J* = 10.07 Hz, 1H), 4.60 (d, *J* = 10.07 Hz, 1H), 4.56–4.44 (m, 1H), 4.42–4.16 (m, 2H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.17 (s, 3H), 2.60–2.25 (m, 1H), 0.98 (d, *J* = 4.86 Hz, 3H), 0.92 (d, *J* = 4.86 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 168.3, 156.0, 152.9, 132.7, 130.4, 128.4, 111.4, 111.3, 82.2, 63.4, 58.3, 57.3, 56.0, 44.0, 29.4, 28.4, 17.5 and 14.6. Anal. Calcd for C₂₁H₂₁Br₂NO₅: C, 42.61; H, 4.42; N, 2.92. Found: C, 42.73; H, 4.75; N, 2.78.

4.9. anti-(4*S*,2'*R*,3'*R*)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-methoxy-3'-(3-bromo-4-methoxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 4'*c*

Liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{28} = +8.4$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.60 (d, *J* = 2.04 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (dd, *J* = 8.40, 2.04 Hz, 1H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.40 Hz, 1H), 5.85 (d, *J* = 10.09 Hz, 1H), 4.59–4.48 (m, 2H), 4.34 (t, *J* = 9.05 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (dd, *J* = 9.05, 3.30 Hz, 1H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.15 (s, 3H), 2.52–2.30 (m, 1H), 0.96 (d, *J* = 3.62 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (d, *J* = 3.62 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 168.3, 156.0, 153.2, 132.8, 130.4, 128.4, 111.4 (2C), 83.6, 63.3, 58.8, 57.1, 56.0, 29.4, 28.2, 17.5 and 14.4. Anal. Calcd for (C₂₁H₂₁Br₂NO₅ + 1-H₂O): C, 41.07; H, 4.66; N, 2.82. Found: C, 41.43; H, 4.76; N, 3.01.

4.10. anti-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-methoxy-3'-(2-chlorophenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 3*d*

White solid; Mp 97–99 °C; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = +77.8$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.60–7.20 (m, 4H), 5.91 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.41 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.60–4.52 (m, 1H), 4.40–4.22 (m, 2H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 2.55–2.32 (m, 1H), 0.96 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 167.7, 153.0, 135.3, 135.0, 129.8, 129.3, 128.7, 127.3, 78.4, 63.4, 58.5, 57.6, 43.4, 28.0, 17.7, 14.7. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₉BrClNO₄: C, 47.49; H, 4.73; N, 3.46. Found: C, 47.28; H, 4.67; N, 3.49.

4.11. anti-(4*S*,2'*R*,3'*R*)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-methoxy-3'-(2-chlorophenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 4*d*

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = +7.3$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.45–7.20 (m, 3H), 6.01 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 5.37 (d, *J* = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 4.62–4.49 (m, 1H), 4.45–4.15 (m, 2H), 3.18 (s, 3H), 2.55–2.32 (m, 1H), 0.94 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 168.1, 153.2, 135.3, 134.9, 129.7, 129.2, 128.6, 127.3, 79.5, 63.4, 58.9, 57.3, 43.2, 28.2, 17.6, 14.4. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₁₉BrClNO₄: C, 47.49; H, 4.73; N, 3.46. Found: C, 47.54; H, 4.76; N, 3.48.

4.12. anti-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Iodo-3'-methoxy-3'-(4-benzyloxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 3*e*

White solid; Mp 147–149 °C; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = +78.9$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.50–7.23 (m, 7H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.57 Hz, 2H), 6.02 (d, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (s, 2H), 4.70 (d, *J* = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.60–4.50 (m, 1H), 4.33 (t, *J* = 7.94 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 3.28 Hz, 1H), 3.17 (s, 3H), 2.55–2.35 (m, 1H), 0.97 (d, *J* = 2.14 Hz, 3H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 2.14 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 169.7, 159.2, 153.1, 136.7, 129.8, 129.5 (2C), 128.5 (2C), 127.9, 127.5 (2C), 114.5 (2C), 83.7, 69.9, 63.3, 58.4, 57.6, 27.8, 24.4, 17.8, 15.0. Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₆INO₅: C, 52.78; H, 5.01; N, 2.68. Found: C, 52.83; H, 5.13; N, 2.67.

4.13. anti-(4*S*,2'*R*,3'*R*)-3-[2'-Iodo-3'-methoxy-3'-(4-benzyloxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 4*e*

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = +21.8$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.50–7.25 (m, 7H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.48 Hz, 2H), 6.06 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (s, 2H), 4.66 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 4.60–4.45 (m, 1H), 4.34 (t, *J* = 8.30 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (dd, *J* = 9.01, 3.16 Hz, 1H), 3.15 (s, 3H), 2.52–2.30 (m, 1H), 0.96 (d, *J* = 3.80 Hz, 3H), 0.92 (d, *J* = 3.80 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 170.1, 159.2, 153.4, 136.8, 129.8, 129.6 (2C), 128.6 (2C), 128.0, 127.5 (2C), 114.5 (2C), 85.1, 70.0, 63.4, 59.0, 57.5, 28.5, 24.1, 17.8, 14.6. Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₆INO₅: C, 52.78; H, 5.01; N, 2.68. Found: C, 52.89; H, 5.00; N, 2.54.

4.14. anti-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Iodo-3'-methoxy-3'-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 3*f*

White solid; Mp 160–162 °C; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = +75.0$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.00–6.81 (m, 3H), 6.01 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.68 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.62–4.50 (m, 1H), 4.40–4.21 (m, 2H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.18 (s, 3H), 2.52–2.32 (m, 1H), 0.96 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 169.7, 153.1, 149.3, 148.8, 129.9, 121.4, 110.3 (2C), 84.1, 63.3, 58.4, 57.6, 55.8, 55.7, 27.9, 24.3, 17.8, 15.0. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄INO₆: C, 45.30; H, 5.07; N, 2.93. Found: C, 45.42; H, 5.11; N, 3.02.

4.15. anti-(4*S*,2'*R*,3'*R*)-3-[2'-Iodo-3'-methoxy-3'-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 4*f*

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = -3.85$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.00–6.80 (m, 3H), 6.06 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 4.56–4.45 (m, 1H), 4.34 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.16 (s, 3H), 2.52–2.35 (m, 1H), 0.96 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 3H), 0.92 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 170.0, 153.4, 149.3, 149.0, 129.8, 127.5, 110.3, 110.2, 85.4,

63.4, 59.0, 57.5, 55.9, 55.7, 28.4, 24.0, 17.7, 14.6. Anal. Calcd for $C_{18}H_{24}INO_6$: C, 45.30; H, 5.07; N, 2.93. Found: C, 45.47; H, 5.18; N, 3.02.

4.16. anti-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Iodo-3'-methoxy-3'-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 3g

White solid; Mp 105–107 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{27} = +86.6$ (*c* 1.0, $CHCl_3$); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 200 MHz): δ 6.75 (s, 2H), 6.02 (d, *J* = 9.98 Hz, 1H), 5.37 (d, *J* = 9.98 Hz, 1H), 4.64–4.50 (m, 1H), 4.45–4.15 (m, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 2.55–2.35 (m, 1H), 0.97 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (d, *J* = 2.6 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 50 MHz): δ 169.6, 153.1, 152.9 (2C), 138.0, 133.0, 105.0 (2C), 84.4, 63.3, 60.8, 58.3, 57.8, 56.0 (2C), 27.8, 23.9, 17.8, 14.9. Anal. Calcd for $C_{19}H_{26}INO_7$: C, 44.98; H, 5.17; N, 2.76. Found: C, 45.13; H, 5.18; N, 2.72.

4.17. anti-(4*S*,2'*R*,3'*R*)-3-[2'-Iodo-3'-methoxy-3'-(3,4,5-trimethoxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 4g

White solid; Mp 149–151 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -17.1$ (*c* 1.0, $CHCl_3$); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 200 MHz): δ 6.82 (s, 2H), 6.08 (d, *J* = 9.72 Hz, 1H), 5.32 (d, *J* = 9.72 Hz, 1H), 4.53–4.45 (m, 1H), 4.34 (t, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (dd, *J* = 8.99, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 6H), 3.21 (s, 3H), 2.52–2.32 (m, 1H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.89 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 50 MHz): δ 169.8, 153.3, 152.9 (2C), 138.0, 132.9, 105.0 (2C), 85.6, 63.3, 60.7, 58.9, 57.7, 56.0 (2C), 28.3, 23.6, 17.7, 14.5. Anal. Calcd for $C_{19}H_{26}INO_7$: C, 44.98; H, 5.17; N, 2.76. Found: C, 45.10; H, 5.23; N, 2.88.

4.18. anti-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Iodo-3'-methoxy-3'-(2-naphthyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 3h

White solid; Mp 177–179 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{27} = +108.6$ (*c* 1.0, $CHCl_3$); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 200 MHz): δ 7.95–7.82 (m, 4H), 7.60–7.45 (m, 3H), 6.15 (d, *J* = 10.32 Hz, 1H), 4.92 (d, *J* = 10.32 Hz, 1H), 4.64–4.52 (m, 1H), 4.36 (t, *J* = 8.96 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (dd, *J* = 9.00, 3.15 Hz, 1H), 3.21 (s, 3H), 2.55–2.40 (m, 1H), 0.99 (d, *J* = 1.00 Hz, 3H), 0.95 (d, *J* = 1.00 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 50 MHz): δ 169.7, 153.1, 134.8, 133.6, 132.6, 128.6, 128.4, 128.0, 127.7, 126.3, 126.2, 124.8, 84.4, 63.3, 58.4, 57.8, 27.9, 23.6, 17.8, 15.0. Anal. Calcd for $C_{20}H_{22}INO_4$: C, 51.40; H, 4.75; N, 3.00. Found: C, 51.67; H, 4.54; N, 2.98.

4.19. anti-(4*S*,2'*R*,3'*R*)-3-[2'-Iodo-3'-methoxy-3'-(2-naphthyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 4h

White solid; Mp 94–96 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -39.5$ (*c* 1.0, $CHCl_3$); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 200 MHz): δ 7.95–7.80 (m, 4H), 7.60–7.45 (m, 3H), 6.20 (d, *J* = 10.25 Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, *J* = 10.25 Hz, 1H), 4.60–4.50 (m, 1H), 4.35 (t, *J* = 8.23 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (dd, *J* = 8.90, 3.08 Hz, 1H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 2.55–2.35 (m, 1H), 0.97 (d, *J* = 3.98 Hz, 3H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 3.98 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$,

50 MHz): δ 170.1, 153.4, 134.7, 133.7, 132.7, 128.7, 128.5, 128.1, 127.7, 126.4, 126.2, 124.8, 89.2, 63.4, 59.1, 57.7, 28.5, 23.3, 17.8, 15.6. Anal. Calcd for $C_{20}H_{22}INO_4$: C, 51.40; H, 4.75; N, 3.00. Found: C, 51.98; H, 4.99; N, 3.04.

4.20. anti-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-(2'-Bromo-3'-methoxy-butyonyl)-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 3i

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_D^{27} = +60.6$ (*c* 1.0, $CHCl_3$); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 200 MHz): δ 5.52 (d, *J* = 9.30 Hz, 1H), 4.53–4.42 (m, 1H), 4.36–4.20 (m, 2H), 3.95–3.83 (m, 1H), 3.33 (s, 3H), 2.52–2.30 (m, 1H), 1.39 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 3H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 3H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 50 MHz): δ 168.2, 153.0, 76.6, 63.3, 58.4, 57.5, 44.8, 27.9, 17.7, 16.3, 14.7. Anal. Calcd for $C_{11}H_{18}BrNO_4$: C, 42.87; H, 5.89; N, 4.55. Found: C, 42.98; H, 6.00; N, 4.67.

4.21. anti-(2*R*,2'*R*,3'*R*)-*N*-[2'-Iodo-3'-methoxy-3'-phenylpropionyl]-bornanesultam 6a

White solid; Mp 154–156 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -102.2$ (*c* 1.0, $CHCl_3$); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 200 MHz): δ 7.50–7.25 (m, 5H), 5.07 (d, *J* = 9.68 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (d, *J* = 9.68 Hz, 1H), 4.09–4.00 (m, 1H), 3.50 (s, 2H), 3.19 (s, 3H), 2.20–2.05 (m, 2H), 2.00–1.85 (m, 3H), 1.60–1.30 (m, 2H), 1.88 (s, 3H), 0.98 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 50 MHz): δ 168.4, 137.6, 128.8, 128.4 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 84.2, 64.9, 57.9, 52.8, 48.7, 47.8, 44.3, 37.2, 32.7, 26.4, 25.8, 20.6, 19.8. Anal. Calcd for $C_{20}H_{26}INO_4S$: C, 47.72; H, 5.21; N, 2.78. Found: C, 47.90; H, 5.34; N, 2.75.

4.22. anti-(2*R*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-*N*-[2'-Iodo-3'-methoxy-3'-phenylpropionyl]-bornanesultam 7a

White solid; Mp 163–165 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -7.0$ (*c* 1.0, $CHCl_3$); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 200 MHz): δ 7.45–7.27 (m, 5H), 5.05 (d, *J* = 9.74 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (d, *J* = 9.74 Hz, 1H), 4.00–3.85 (m, 1H), 3.60–3.40 (m, 2H), 3.14 (s, 3H), 2.30–2.10 (m, 2H), 2.07–1.80 (m, 3H), 1.55–1.25 (m, 2H), 1.21 (s, 3H), 0.99 (s, 3H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 50 MHz): δ 168.1, 137.1, 128.9, 128.3 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 87.0, 65.6, 57.5, 52.7, 48.6, 47.8, 44.6, 38.0, 32.7, 26.3, 25.6, 20.4, 19.9. Anal. Calcd for $C_{20}H_{26}INO_4S$: C, 47.72; H, 5.21; N, 2.78. Found: C, 48.03; H, 5.42; N, 2.77.

4.23. anti-(2*R*,2'*R*,3'*R*)-*N*-[2'-Bromo-3'-methoxy-3'-phenylpropionyl]-bornanesultam Br-6a and anti-(2*R*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-*N*-[2'-bromo-3'-methoxy-3'-phenylpropionyl]-bornanesultam Br-7a

Non-separable mixture of diastereomers (65:35); 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 200 MHz): δ 7.50–7.25 (m, 5H), 4.93 (d, *J* = 9.60 Hz, 0.65H), 4.85 (d, *J* = 9.60 Hz, 0.35H), 4.67 (d, *J* = 9.70 Hz, 0.65H), 4.58 (d, *J* = 9.70 Hz, 0.35H), 4.10–3.90 (m, 1H), 3.60–3.45 (m, 2H), 3.20 (s, 1.95H), 3.13 (s, 1.05H), 2.30–2.05 (m, 2H), 2.04–1.75 (m, 3H), 1.60–1.25 (m, 2H), 1.21 (s, 1.05H), 1.16 (s, 1.95H), 0.93 (s, 1.05H), 0.91 (s, 1.95H). ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 50 MHz): major δ 166.7, 136.9, 128.7, 128.2

(2C), 128.1 (2C), 83.0, 64.8, 57.6, 52.7, 47.7, 45.9, 44.4, 37.7, 32.5, 26.3 (2C), 20.5, 19.7. Minor δ 166.9, 136.7, 128.8, 128.2 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 85.7, 65.2, 57.1, 48.6, 48.5, 46.5, 44.5, 37.5, 31.7, 29.5 (2C), 20.3, 19.8.

4.24. anti-(2R,2'R,3'R)-N-[2'-Bromo-3'-methoxy-3'-(2-nitrophenyl)-propionyl]-bornanesultam 6b

Liquid; $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -109.1$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.95–7.40 (m, 4H), 5.61 (d, *J* = 9.14 Hz, 1H), 4.91 (d, *J* = 9.14 Hz, 1H), 3.98 (dd, *J* = 7.23, 5.44 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (d, *J* = 1.62 Hz, 2H), 3.32 (s, 3H), 2.20–2.00 (m, 2H), 2.00–1.80 (m, 3H), 1.55–1.25 (m, 2H), 1.14 (s, 3H), 0.96 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 165.8, 150.5, 133.2, 129.6 (2C), 124.0 (2C), 64.9, 58.4, 52.8, 48.7, 47.8, 45.7, 44.4, 37.5, 32.6, 29.6, 26.3, 20.6, 19.8. Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₂₅BrN₂O₆S: C, 47.91; H, 5.03; N, 5.59. Found: C, 48.21; H, 5.23; N, 5.67.

4.25. anti-(2R,2'S,3'S)-N-[2'-Bromo-3'-methoxy-3'-(2-nitrophenyl)-propionyl]-bornanesultam 7b

Liquid; $[\alpha]_D^{27} = +56.2$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.98–7.40 (m, 4H), 5.52 (d, *J* = 8.88 Hz, 1H), 4.95 (d, *J* = 8.88 Hz, 1H), 4.05–3.90 (m, 1H), 3.50 (d, *J* = 4.16 Hz, 2H), 3.29 (s, 3H), 2.18–2.06 (m, 2H), 2.05–1.85 (m, 3H), 1.55–1.35 (m, 2H), 1.13 (s, 3H), 0.98 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 165.9, 150.6, 133.2, 129.6 (2C), 124.0 (2C), 65.4, 58.2, 52.8, 48.7, 47.8, 46.1, 44.6, 37.9, 32.7, 29.6, 26.3, 20.4, 19.9. Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₂₅BrN₂O₆S: C, 47.91; H, 5.03; N, 5.59. Found: C, 48.22; H, 5.08; N, 5.34.

4.26. anti-(2R,2'R,3'R)-N-[2'-Bromo-3'-methoxy-3'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-propionyl]-bornanesultam 6c

Liquid; $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -90.3$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.69 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.69 Hz, 2H), 4.83 (d, *J* = 9.79 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (d, *J* = 9.79 Hz, 1H), 4.07–3.90 (m, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.48 (s, 2H), 3.18 (s, 3H), 2.25–2.05 (m, 2H), 2.04–1.80 (m, 3H), 1.55–1.25 (m, 2H), 1.17 (s, 3H), 0.97 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 166.8, 159.8, 129.4 (2C), 128.9, 113.6 (2C), 82.6, 64.8, 57.4, 55.1, 52.8, 48.6, 47.7, 46.3, 44.4, 37.5, 32.6, 26.3, 20.6, 19.8. Anal. Calcd for C₂₁H₂₈BrNO₅S: C, 51.85; H, 5.80; N, 2.88. Found: C, 51.73; H, 5.75; N, 2.68.

4.27. anti-(2R,2'S,3'S)-N-[2'-Bromo-3'-methoxy-3'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-propionyl]-bornanesultam 7c

Liquid; $[\alpha]_D^{27} = +19.3$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.61 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.61 Hz, 2H), 4.91 (d, *J* = 9.46 Hz, 1H), 4.53 (d, *J* = 9.46 Hz, 1H), 4.10–3.85 (m, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.60–3.40 (s, 2H), 3.11 (s, 3H), 2.25–2.02 (m, 2H), 2.00–1.75 (m, 3H), 1.55–1.25 (m, 2H), 1.21 (s, 3H), 0.98 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 167.2, 159.9, 129.4 (2C), 128.7, 113.6 (2C), 85.4, 65.3, 57.0, 55.1, 52.8, 48.6, 47.7, 46.9, 44.6, 37.8, 32.7, 26.3, 20.4, 19.9. Anal. Calcd for C₂₁H₂₈BrNO₅S: C, 51.85; H, 5.80; N, 2.88. Found: C, 51.88; H, 5.94; N, 3.01.

4.28. anti-(4S,2'S,3'S)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-ethoxy-3'-phenyl-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone EO-8a

White solid; Mp 81–83 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{27} = +0.7$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.65–7.20 (m, 5H), 5.81 (d, *J* = 10.04 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (d, *J* = 10.04 Hz, 1H), 4.63–4.48 (m, 1H), 4.45–4.15 (m, 2H), 3.35 (q, *J* = 7.00 Hz, 2H), 2.60–2.30 (m, 1H), 1.05 (t, *J* = 7.00 Hz, 3H), 0.96 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 168.6, 153.1, 137.5, 128.6, 128.2 (2C), 128.1 (2C), 82.5, 65.1, 63.3, 58.7, 44.0, 28.2, 17.7, 14.9, 14.7. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₂₂BrNO₄: C, 53.14; H, 5.77; N, 3.65. Found: C, 53.79; H, 5.73; N, 3.82.

4.29. anti-(4S,2'R,3'R)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-ethoxy-3'-phenyl-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone EO-9a

White solid; Mp 91–93 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{27} = +94.5$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.55–7.25 (m, 5H), 5.87 (d, *J* = 10.11 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (d, *J* = 10.11 Hz, 1H), 4.60–4.45 (m, 1H), 4.34 (t, *J* = 8.96 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (dd, *J* = 9.00, 3.33 Hz, 1H), 3.33 (q, *J* = 7.08 Hz, 2H), 2.55–2.30 (m, 1H), 1.03 (t, *J* = 7.08 Hz, 3H), 0.97 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 3H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 168.2, 153.1, 137.7, 128.6, 128.3 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 81.6, 65.2, 63.4, 58.5, 44.6, 28.2, 17.7, 15.0, 14.8. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₂₂BrNO₄: C, 53.14; H, 5.77; N, 3.65. Found: C, 53.45; H, 5.86; N, 3.72.

4.30. anti-(4S,2'S,3'S)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-(2-methoxy-ethoxy)-3'-phenyl-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone MOE-8a

White solid; Mp 77–79 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{27} = +99.8$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.70–7.27 (m, 5H), 5.81 (d, *J* = 9.97 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (d, *J* = 9.97 Hz, 1H), 4.58–4.45 (m, 1H), 4.32 (t, *J* = 8.00 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (dd, *J* = 9.07, 3.24 Hz, 1H), 3.55–3.00 (m, 4H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 2.60–2.25 (m, 1H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 4.25 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (d, *J* = 4.25 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 168.1, 153.1, 137.1, 128.7, 128.3 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 82.2, 71.3, 68.7, 63.5, 58.6, 58.5, 44.3, 28.2, 17.7, 14.8. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄BrNO₅: C, 52.18; H, 5.14; N, 3.38. Found: C, 52.35; H, 5.11; N, 3.51.

4.31. anti-(4S,2'R,3'R)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-(2-methoxy-ethoxy)-3'-phenyl-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone MOE-9a

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_D^{27} = -4.7$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.60–7.25 (m, 5H), 5.85 (d, *J* = 10.02 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (d, *J* = 10.02 Hz, 1H), 4.60–4.50 (m, 1H), 4.34 (t, *J* = 7.98 Hz, 1H), 4.27 (dd, *J* = 7.98, 3.36 Hz, 1H), 3.50–3.30 (m, 4H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 2.55–2.32 (m, 1H), 0.97 (d, *J* = 3.17 Hz, 3H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 3.17 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 168.9, 153.4, 135.5, 128.6, 128.3 (2C), 128.2 (2C), 83.0, 71.5, 69.0, 63.8, 59.0, 58.8, 44.1, 28.6, 17.9, 14.8. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄BrNO₅: C, 52.18; H, 5.14; N, 3.38. Found: C, 52.15; H, 5.23; N, 3.39.

4.32. anti-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-ethoxy-3'-(2-nitrophenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone EO-8b

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = +101.4$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.85–7.40 (m, 4H), 5.80 (d, *J* = 9.73 Hz, 1H), 5.66 (d, *J* = 9.73 Hz, 1H), 4.60–4.45 (m, 1H), 4.34 (t, *J* = 9.27 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (dd, *J* = 8.57, 1.95 Hz, 1H), 3.60–3.30 (m, 2H), 2.52–2.30 (m, 1H), 1.07 (t, *J* = 6.93 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 6.60 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 167.1, 152.9, 150.5, 133.1, 132.9, 129.5, 129.3, 123.8, 75.2, 66.3, 63.5, 58.4, 44.6, 28.0, 17.7, 15.0, 14.7. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₂₁BrN₂O₆: C, 47.57; H, 4.93; N, 6.93. Found: C, 47.50; H, 4.95; N, 6.88.

4.33. anti-(4*S*,2'*R*,3'*R*)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-ethoxy-3'-(2-nitrophenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone EO-9b

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = -92.7$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.85–7.40 (m, 4H), 5.84 (d, *J* = 10.08 Hz, 1H), 5.68 (d, *J* = 10.08 Hz, 1H), 4.57–4.45 (m, 1H), 4.34 (t, *J* = 7.91 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (dd, *J* = 9.02, 3.30 Hz, 1H), 3.60–3.35 (m, 2H), 2.60–2.30 (m, 1H), 1.06 (t, *J* = 7.13 Hz, 3H), 0.96 (d, *J* = 4.16 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (d, *J* = 4.16 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 167.6, 153.2, 150.7, 133.0, 132.9, 129.4 (2C), 123.8, 76.3, 66.2, 63.5, 58.9, 43.8, 28.3, 17.8, 14.9, 14.8. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₂₁BrN₂O₆: C, 47.57; H, 4.93; N, 6.93. Found: C, 47.77; H, 4.89; N, 6.99.

4.34. anti-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-(2-methoxyethoxy)-3'-(2-nitrophenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone MOE-8b

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = +147.3$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.95–7.35 (m, 4H), 5.82 (d, *J* = 10.00 Hz, 1H), 5.75 (d, *J* = 10.00 Hz, 1H), 4.60–4.45 (m, 1H), 4.34 (t, *J* = 7.98 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (dd, *J* = 8.90, 3.14 Hz, 1H), 3.75–3.45 (m, 4H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 2.65–2.30 (m, 1H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 5.36 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (d, *J* = 5.36 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 167.0, 153.1, 150.4, 133.0, 132.8, 129.5, 129.3, 123.8, 75.5, 71.2, 69.7, 63.5, 58.5 (2C), 44.6, 28.0, 17.7, 14.7. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₃BrN₂O₇: C, 47.07; H, 5.05; N, 6.10. Found: C, 47.32; H, 4.98; N, 6.11.

4.35. anti-(4*S*,2'*R*,3'*R*)-3-[2'-Bromo-3'-(2-methoxyethoxy)-3'-(2-nitrophenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone MOE-9b

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = -89.9$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.95–7.35 (m, 4H), 5.80 (s, 2H), 4.62–4.45 (m, 1H), 4.33 (t, *J* = 8.00 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (dd, *J* = 8.90, 3.27 Hz, 1H), 3.80–3.50 (m, 4H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 2.65–2.30 (m, 1H), 0.96 (d, *J* = 4.92 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (d, *J* = 4.92 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 167.3, 153.1, 150.6, 133.0, 132.8, 129.3 (2C), 123.8, 76.3, 71.2, 69.8, 63.5, 58.9, 58.5, 43.6, 28.3, 17.8, 14.6. Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₃BrN₂O₇: C, 47.07; H, 5.05; N, 6.10. Found: C, 47.23; H, 5.15; N, 6.18.

4.36. anti-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Iodo-3'-ethoxy-3'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone EO-8c

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = +89.8$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.67 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.67 Hz, 2H), 5.95 (d, *J* = 10.30 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (d, *J* = 10.30 Hz, 1H), 4.60–4.45 (m, 1H), 4.32 (t, *J* = 7.98 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (dd, *J* = 9.07, 3.28 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.31 (dq, *J* = 6.94, 3.18 Hz, 2H), 2.60–2.30 (m, 1H), 1.00 (t, *J* = 6.94 Hz, 3H), 0.95 (d, *J* = 1.69 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (d, *J* = 1.69 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 169.7, 159.7, 153.1, 130.3, 129.4 (2C), 113.5 (2C), 81.8, 65.3, 63.3, 58.4, 55.1, 27.9, 25.0, 17.8, 15.0 (2C). Anal. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄INO₅: C, 46.87; H, 5.24; N, 3.04. Found: C, 47.01; H, 5.19; N, 3.12.

4.37. anti-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Iodo-3'-(2-methoxyethoxy)-3'-(4-methoxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone MOE-8c

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = +86.1$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.71 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.71 Hz, 2H), 5.96 (d, *J* = 10.35 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (d, *J* = 10.36 Hz, 1H), 4.58–4.45 (m, 1H), 4.32 (t, *J* = 8.91 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (dd, *J* = 8.91, 3.00 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.55–3.20 (m, 4H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 2.55–2.30 (m, 1H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 6.83 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 169.5, 159.8, 153.1, 129.8, 129.5 (2C), 113.5 (2C), 82.5, 71.4, 68.8, 63.4, 58.5, 58.4, 55.1, 27.9, 24.9, 17.8, 15.0. Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₆INO₆: C, 46.45; H, 5.33; N, 2.85. Found: C, 46.78; H, 5.32; N, 2.90.

4.38. anti-(4*S*,2'*R*,3'*R*)-3-[2'-Iodo-3'-(2-methoxyethoxy)-3'-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone MOE-9c

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = -12.95$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.58 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (d, *J* = 8.58 Hz, 2H), 5.99 (d, *J* = 10.37 Hz, 1H), 4.83 (d, *J* = 10.37 Hz, 1H), 4.58–4.45 (m, 1H), 4.29 (t, *J* = 7.45 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (dd, *J* = 8.99, 3.18 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.60–3.20 (m, 4H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 2.55–2.30 (m, 1H), 0.95 (d, *J* = 3.53 Hz, 3H), 0.92 (d, *J* = 3.53 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 169.9, 159.8, 153.2, 129.7 (2C), 129.6, 113.5 (2C), 83.3, 71.4, 68.9, 63.3, 58.9, 58.6, 55.2, 28.3, 24.1, 17.9, 14.7. Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₆INO₆: C, 46.45; H, 5.33; N, 2.85. Found: C, 46.67; H, 5.37; N, 2.98.

4.39. syn-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*R*)-3-[2'-Azido-3'-methoxy-3'-phenyl-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 10a

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = +48.75$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.50–7.22 (m, 5H), 5.42 (d, *J* = 7.18 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (d, *J* = 7.18 Hz, 1H), 4.15–3.90 (m, 2H), 3.76 (t, *J* = 9.20 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (dd, *J* = 9.14, 3.54 Hz, 1H), 3.31 (s, 3H), 2.45–2.25 (m, 1H), 0.84 (t, *J* = 8.12 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 167.9, 153.0, 136.3, 128.6, 128.4 (2C), 127.4 (2C), 88.7, 64.1, 63.5, 58.8, 57.0, 28.2, 17.7, 14.4. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₀N₄O₄: C, 57.82; H, 6.07; N, 16.86. Found: C, 58.01; H, 6.12; N, 16.78.

4.40. *syn*-(4*S*,2'*R*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Azido-3'-methoxy-3'-phenyl-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 11a

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = +44.3$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.50–7.23 (m, 5H), 5.15 (d, *J* = 4.85 Hz, 1H), 4.86 (d, *J* = 4.85 Hz, 1H), 4.55–4.40 (m, 1H), 4.31 (t, *J* = 8.42 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (dd, *J* = 9.14, 3.54 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (s, 3H), 2.30–2.10 (m, 1H), 0.80 (d, *J* = 9.16 Hz, 3H), 0.63 (d, *J* = 9.16 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 168.0, 153.5, 136.5, 128.5 (2C), 128.3, 127.3 (2C), 83.6, 64.7, 63.8, 58.2, 57.1, 28.2, 17.5, 14.4. Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₀N₄O₄: C, 57.82; H, 6.07; N, 16.86. Found: C, 57.92; H, 6.25; N, 16.98.

4.41. *syn*-(2*S*,3*R*)-2-Azido-3-methoxy-3-phenyl-propionic acid 12a

Liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = -92.5$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.50–7.20 (m, 5H), 4.83 (d, *J* = 3.96 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (d, *J* = 3.96 Hz, 1H), 3.32 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 173.1, 136.4, 128.7 (3C), 127.0 (2C), 83.5, 66.8, 57.6. Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₁₁N₃O₃: C, 54.29; H, 5.01; N, 19.00. Found: C, 54.38 H, 5.04; N, 18.98.

4.42. *syn*-(2*R*,3*S*)-2-Azido-3-methoxy-3-phenyl-propionic acid 12'a

Liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = +92.5$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.50–7.20 (m, 5H), 4.83 (d, *J* = 3.96 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (d, *J* = 3.96 Hz, 1H), 3.32 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 173.1, 136.4, 128.7 (3C), 127.0 (2C), 83.5, 66.8, 57.6. Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₁₁N₃O₃: C, 54.29; H, 5.01; N, 19.00. Found: C, 54.23 H, 5.12; N, 18.90.

4.43. *syn*-(4*S*,2'*S*,3'*R*)-3-[2'-Azido-3'-methoxy-3'-(4-benzyloxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 10e

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = +21.5$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.50–7.20 (m, 7H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.69 Hz, 2H), 5.41 (d, *J* = 7.32 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (s, 2H), 4.55 (d, *J* = 7.32 Hz, 1H), 4.10–3.95 (m, 2H), 3.70 (t, *J* = 9.18 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (s, 3H), 2.45–2.15 (m, 1H), 0.83 (t, *J* = 7.12 Hz, 6H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 168.1, 159.0, 153.1, 136.6, 128.8 (2C), 128.6 (3C), 128.0, 127.4 (2C), 114.7 (2C), 83.6, 69.9, 64.1, 63.5, 58.9, 56.9, 28.3, 17.8, 14.5. Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₆N₄O₅: C, 63.00; H, 5.98; N, 12.78. Found: C, 63.14 H, 5.89; N, 12.90.

4.44. *syn*-(4*S*,2'*R*,3'*S*)-3-[2'-Azido-3'-methoxy-3'-(4-benzyloxyphenyl)-propionyl]-4-(1-methylethyl)-2-oxazolidinone 11e

Gummy liquid; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = +87.6$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.55–7.20 (m, 7H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 8.42 Hz, 2H), 5.18 (d, *J* = 5.05 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (s, 2H), 4.81 (d, *J* = 5.05 Hz, 1H), 4.57–4.40 (m, 1H), 4.31 (t, *J* = 8.60 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (dd, *J* = 9.11, 3.29 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (s, 3H), 2.30–2.05 (m, 1H), 0.85 (d, *J* = 6.80 Hz, 3H), 0.62 (d, *J* = 6.80 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃,

50 MHz): δ 168.0, 158.9, 153.4, 136.7, 128.7 (2C), 128.5 (3C), 127.9, 127.3 (2C), 114.7 (2C), 83.2, 69.8, 64.6, 63.7, 58.1, 56.8, 28.2, 17.5, 14.3. Anal. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₆N₄O₅: C, 63.00; H, 5.98; N, 12.78. Found: C, 63.43; H, 6.11; N, 12.87.

4.45. *syn*-(2*S*,3*R*)-2-Azido-3-(4-benzyloxyphenyl)-3-methoxy-propionic acid 12e

White solid; Mp 162–164 °C; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = -94.2$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.50–7.20 (m, 7H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.61 Hz, 2H), 5.05 (s, 2H), 4.74 (d, *J* = 4.19 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (d, *J* = 4.19 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 173.6, 159.1, 136.6, 128.5 (3C), 128.4 (2C), 128.0, 127.4 (2C), 114.9 (2C), 83.0, 69.9, 66.9, 57.3. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₇N₃O₄: C, 62.38; H, 5.23; N, 12.84. Found: C, 62.33 H, 5.34; N, 12.65.

4.46. *syn*-(2*R*,3*S*)-2-Azido-3-(4-benzyloxyphenyl)-3-methoxy-propionic acid 12'e

White solid; Mp 92–94 °C; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{27} = +94.2$ (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 200 MHz): δ 7.50–7.20 (m, 7H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.61 Hz, 2H), 5.05 (s, 2H), 4.74 (d, *J* = 4.19 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (d, *J* = 4.19 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 50 MHz): δ 173.6, 159.1, 136.6, 128.5 (3C), 128.4 (2C), 128.0, 127.4 (2C), 114.9 (2C), 83.0, 69.9, 66.9, 57.3. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₇N₃O₄: C, 62.38; H, 5.23; N, 12.84. Found: C, 62.34 H, 5.49; N, 12.76.

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