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# Aziridine–allylsilane-mediated synthesis of exocyclic $\gamma$ -amino olefins and azabicyclo[x.y.1]-systems

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**Abstract**—We have shown that connection of *C*-2 of an allylsilane to a tethered aziridine ring yields exocyclic  $\gamma$ -amino olefins and desilylated azabicyclo[*x*.2.1]-systems upon cyclization with BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub>. Furthermore, manipulation of a specific exocyclic  $\gamma$ -amino olefin provided access to an azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane. This methodology should be useful for the preparation of natural products and pharmacologically active agents containing these bicyclic heterocyclic systems. © 2002 Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.

General methodology for the synthesis of alkaloids and other nitrogen containing heterocycles continues to be of immense importance to the pharmaceutical sciences. In this regard, we have discovered a method that could serve as a general and useful procedure for the synthesis of these molecules. We have reported the conversion of an aziridine–allylsilane (1) to either the  $\gamma$ -amino olefin<sup>1</sup> (2), the silylated azabicyle<sup>1c</sup> (3), or the desilylated azabicycle (4). Molecules 2 and 3 have served as instrumental intermediates toward our synthesis of the rauwolfia alkaloid (–)-yohimbane<sup>1b</sup> (5) and bicyclic proline analogs<sup>1c</sup> (6) (Scheme 1).

Although aziridine–allylsilane 1 represents an example of C-3 of the allylsilane tethered to an aziridine ring, we felt

connection to C-2 of the allylsilane could also produce synthetically useful products. Treatment of aziridine– allylsilanes with this connectivity (e.g. 7) could potentially lead to the isolation of exocyclic  $\gamma$ -amino olefins (8), silylated azabicyclo[*x*.2.1]-systems (9), or desilylated azabicyclo[*x*.2.1]-systems (10) (Scheme 2).

These cyclization products could be useful in either total or analog synthesis of complex natural products and pharmacologically active agents containing 6-azabicyclo-[3.2.1]octanes<sup>2</sup> or 3-azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonanes.<sup>2d,3</sup> For example, Thomas et al. reported<sup>2d</sup> the synthesis of a 1,5-disubstituted-6-azabicyclo[3.2.1]octane (**11**) in order to explore the effect of ring E contraction on nicotinic acetylcholine receptor antagonist activity of methyllycaconitine (MLA)



Scheme 1.

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## Scheme 2.

(12). Appropriate manipulation of olefin **8b** could lead to the inherent azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (13) present within the AE rings of MLA (12) (Fig. 1). With these thoughts in mind, we chose to prepare and cyclize a series of aziridine– allylsilanes possessing the *C*-2 connectivity (7a-c). Our synthesis of these compounds was carried out via Suzuki coupling of an appropriately substituted aziridine with an allylsilane,<sup>4</sup> or via nucleophilic attack of an aziridine with an organometallic allylsilane reagent.<sup>1b,c,5</sup>

We initially prepared a racemic aziridine–allylsilane (**7b**) possessing the desired *C*-2 connectivity as a test substrate to explore the cyclization reaction. Commercially available allylglycine was treated with MeOH/HCl followed by toluenesulfonyl chloride to provide the diprotected amino acid  $14^6$  in 80% yield from allylglycine. The ester was then reduced with LiBH<sub>4</sub> followed by a Mitsunobu ring closure to provide aziridine 16. The olefin of 16 was hydroborated

with 9-BBN and cross-coupled to bromoallylsilane **17**<sup>7</sup> to give the racemic aziridine–allylsilane **7b** in 58% yield. The racemic substrate was then treated with 110 mol% of BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> at  $-78^{\circ}$ C for 4 h, then warmed to  $-25^{\circ}$ C for an additional 15 h. We were pleased to find that these cyclization conditions provided the racemic exocyclic  $\gamma$ -amino olefin **8b** in 86% yield. This cyclization proceeded as expected with attack of the allylsilane at the internal carbon of the aziridine ring, thus yielding the six-membered carbocycle. The desilylated azabicyclo[3.2.1]-system (**10b**, racemic) was also isolated in low yield (6%) (Scheme 3).

The results of the initial cyclization of racemic aziridine– allylsilane **7b** prompted us to examine a series of optically pure aziridine–allylsilanes with *C*-2 connectivity ((R)-**7a**–**c**), differing only in the length of tether between the reacting moieties. Two of the aziridines ((R)-**7b** and (R)-**7c**) were readily prepared using our Suzuki strategy.<sup>4</sup> Serine derived



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Figure 1.



### Scheme 4.

aziridine  $18^5$  was treated with either vinylmagnesium bromide or allylmagnesium chloride in the presence of CuCN to yield the desired silyl ether homologs (19 and 20). Removal of the silyl protecting group and Mitsunobu ring closure provided olefinic aziridines 23 and 24<sup>8</sup> in excellent overall yield. Standard cross-coupling conditions using bromoallylsilane 17 provided optically pure aziridine– allylsilanes (*R*)-7b and (*R*)-7c in 58% and 68% yield, respectively (Scheme 4).

The remaining aziridine–allylsilane of interest to us ((R)-**7a**) could not be accessed via the Suzuki cross-coupling route.<sup>4</sup> Therefore we turned our attention towards nucleo-philic attack of aziridine **18** with an organometallic allylsilane reagent.<sup>1b,c,5</sup> The known allylselenide **25** was subjected to Li–Se exchange<sup>9</sup> then transmetallated in the presence of CuCN<sup>10</sup> to generate the higher order cyano-cuprate **26**. Reaction of aziridine **18** with the organometallic allylsilane reagent provided the ring opened product **27** in

64% yield. Deprotection with n-Bu<sub>4</sub>NF followed by a Mitsunobu reaction formed the aziridine ring to yield aziridine-allylsilane (*R*)-7a in good overall yield (Scheme 5).

With our requisite aziridine–allylsilanes in hand, we began to explore cyclization conditions to selectively yield exocyclic  $\gamma$ -amino olefins. Treatment of aziridine–allylsilane (*R*)-**7b** with a stoichiometric amount of BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> at  $-78^{\circ}$ C, followed by warming of the reaction to  $-25^{\circ}$ C, provided the exocyclic olefin (*R*)-**8b** in nearly quantitative yield (97%). Aziridine–allylsilane (*R*)-**7c** was cyclized in a similar manner, though additional BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> (200 mol%) and higher temperatures (0°C) were needed for cyclization to the seven-membered ring to occur. Exocyclic olefin (*R*)-**8c** was achieved in moderate yield (51%) after purification. The other major product (ca. 35%) of the reaction appears to be the product of protodesilylation of (*R*)-**7c** and proved difficult to isolate cleanly (Scheme 6).



Scheme 5.



#### Scheme 7.

Aziridine-allylsilanes (R)-7b and (R)-7c were then cyclized with greater than stoichiometric amounts of BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> (300 mol%) and warmed to room temperature in the hopes of forming azabicyclo[x.2.1]-systems. After subjecting substrate (R)-7b to these conditions, we were able to isolate the desilvlated azabicyclo[3.2.1]octane (1R,5S)-10b in good yield (77%), while a 1:1:1 mixture of isomerized amino olefins was obtained in 15% yield. Treatment of aziridine-allylsilane (R)-7c in a similar manner gave a 1:1:1 mixture of isomerized amino olefins as the major product (54% yield), while the desilylated azabicyclo[4.2.1]nonane (1R,6S)-10c was achieved in only 31% yield. We hoped refluxing conditions could potentially drive the mixture of amino olefins towards bicycle (1R, 6S)-10c formation, though minimal changes in yield were observed (51 and 37% for yields of isomerized olefins and (1R,6S)-10c, respectively) (Scheme 7). It remains unclear as to how these desilylated azabicyclo[x.2.1]-systems are being formed. Three possibilities exist: (1) desilylated azabicyclo[x.2.1]-systems **10b,c** could form via cyclization of the aziridine-allylsilane to the silylated azabicycle (i.e. 9b,c) followed by protodesilylation, (2) cyclization of the aziridine-olefin (i.e. protodesilylated (R)-7b,c), or (3) cyclization of the  $\gamma$ -amino olefin (exocyclic or isomerized (R)-8b,c). We suggest that option (2) or (3) are the most likely. We have determined that protodesilylated (R)-7b can be cyclized to azabicyclo[3.2.1]octane (1R,5S)-10b (71%) yield) using 300 mol% of BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> at room temperature. We have also determined that  $\gamma$ -amino olefins (e.g. 2) can

be cyclized to their azabicyclic counterpart (e.g. 4) under similar conditions.<sup>11</sup>

Cyclizations of aziridine–allylsilanes (R)-7b and (R)-7c proceeded with attack of the allylsilane at the internal carbon of the aziridine ring, which is consistent with previously reported intramolecular cyclizations of aziridine–allylsilanes.<sup>1</sup> However, substrate (R)-7a provided an alternative cyclization behavior. Treatment of this aziridine-allylsilane with 200 mol% of  $BF_3$ ·OEt<sub>2</sub> and warming to 0°C gave the six-membered ring 29 as the major product (50% yield) (Scheme 8). Products resulting from attack of the internal carbon of the aziridine (i.e. (R)-8a) were not observed, only those resulting from attack of the terminal position. Therefore, aziridine-allylsilane (R)-7a displays comparable reactivity to that reported for allylsilaneepoxides possessing identical tether length and C-2 connectivity.<sup>12</sup> Additionally, protodesilylation of (R)-7a was detected by <sup>1</sup>H NMR though purification of this product (ca. 37%) again proved troublesome.

In an effort to extend the synthesis of azabicyclo[x.y.1]systems, olefin (R)-**8b** was subjected to a hydroborationoxidation sequence to provide a mixture of *cis* and *trans* amino alcohols (**30**). The mixture of alcohols was cyclized under Mitsunobu conditions to provide the azabicyclo-[3.3.1]nonane (**13**) resulting from closure of the *cis* amino alcohol. When olefin (R)-**8b** was hydroborated with 9-BBN, <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude reaction mixture showed a 1:1 mixture



via <sup>1</sup>H NMR of crude reaction mixture<sup>a</sup>

Scheme 8.

of *cis* and *trans* amino alcohols. Subsequent Mitsunobu ring closure provided the azabicycle **13** in 51% yield from olefin (R)-**8b**. However, when BH<sub>3</sub>·THF was used in the hydroboration a 1:2 mixture of *cis* and *trans* amino alcohols was observed, thus providing only 30% yield of **13** after the Mitsunobu reaction. Aziridine–allylsilane (R)-**7b** proved to be a valuable intermediate towards both azabicyclo[3.2.1] and [3.3.1]-systems (Scheme 9).

In conclusion, we have shown that connection of *C*-2 of an allylsilane to a tethered aziridine ring yields exocyclic  $\gamma$ -amino olefins and desilylated azabicyclo[*x*.2.1]-systems upon cyclization with BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub>. Furthermore, manipulation of a specific exocyclic  $\gamma$ -amino olefin provided access to an azabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane. This methodology should be useful for the preparation of natural products and pharmacologically active agents containing these bicyclic heterocyclic systems.

## 1. Experimental

## 1.1. General

<sup>1</sup>H spectra were recorded on a Bruker AG 250 MHz spectrometer. <sup>13</sup>C spectra were recorded on a Varian VX 400 MHz spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm relative to  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (7.27 for <sup>1</sup>H, 77.23 for <sup>13</sup>C) or  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$  (7.16 for <sup>1</sup>H, 128.39 for <sup>13</sup>C). Coupling constants (J) are reported in Hz. Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on EM Science pre-coated silica gel 60 F<sub>254</sub> aluminum foils. Purification of the reaction products was carried out by flash chromatography using a glass column dry packed with silica gel (ICN SiliTech 32-63D 60 Å) according to the method of Still.<sup>13</sup> Visualization was accomplished with UV light, I<sub>2</sub>, and/or phosphomolybdic acid solution followed by heating. HRMS measurements were determined at the Ohio State University Chemical Instrument Center with a Kratos MS-30 mass spectrometer in the electron impact (EI) mode. Optical activity was measured on an Autopol IV automatic polarimeter. THF and Et<sub>2</sub>O were distilled from sodium and benzophenone. DMF, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, and BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> were distilled from CaH<sub>2</sub> before use. Et<sub>3</sub>N was distilled from CaH<sub>2</sub> and stored over KOH pellets. All reactions were carried out in flame-dried glassware under an Ar atmosphere unless otherwise specified.

1.1.1. N-[(4-Methylphenyl)sulfonyl]-2-amino-4-pentenol (15). Dry LiCl (0.99 g, 23.4 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of ester 14<sup>6</sup> (2.21 g, 7.81 mmol) in THF (10.9 mL) and EtOH (21.8 mL). The mixture was cooled to 0°C and NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.89 g, 23.4 mmol) was added over 5 min. After the addition, the ice bath was removed and the mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for an additional 14 h. The reaction was quenched with acetone and concentrated to a white residue, which was carefully dissolved in 1 M HCl: EtOAc (ca. 1:1). The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed (40% EtOAc in hexanes) to give 1.60 g of alcohol 15 (80%).  $R_{\rm f}$  0.27 (40% EtOAc in hexanes). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 250 MHz) δ 7.77 (d, 2H, J=8.78 Hz), 7.29 (d, 2H,

J=8.78 Hz), 5.55–5.38 (m, 1H), 5.37 (d, 1H, J=7.83 Hz), 4.99–4.93 (m, 2H), 3.62–3.48 (m, 2H), 3.29 (m, 1H), 2.69 (br s, 1H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.16 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 143.4, 137.4, 133.3, 129.5, 127.0, 118.3, 63.9, 54.9, 35.8, 21.4. HRMS for  $C_{12}H_{17}NO_3S\cdotNa^+$  calcd 278.0821, found 278.0823.

1.1.2. 2-[2-Propenyl]-N-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]aziridine (16). Ph<sub>3</sub>P (1.81 g, 6.90 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of alcohol 15 (1.60 g, 6.27 mmol) in THF (24.7 mL). The mixture was cooled to 0°C and diethyl azodicarboxylate (1.1 mL, 6.90 mmol) was added dropwise. After the addition, the ice bath was removed and the reaction was warmed to room temperature and stirred for an additional 16 h. The mixture was concentrated and chromatographed (8-15% EtOAc in hexanes) to give 1.23 g of aziridine **16** (82%). *R*<sub>f</sub> 0.21 (15% EtOAc in hexanes). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 250 MHz) δ 7.82 (d, 2H, J=7.80 Hz), 7.33 (d, 2H, J=8.80 Hz), 5.68-5.52 (m, 1H), 5.10-4.95 (m, 2H), 2.80 (m, 1H), 2.63 (d, 1H, J=6.85 Hz), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.31-2.14 (m, 2H), 2.10 (d, 1H, J=3.90 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 144.4, 134.9, 132.7, 129.5, 127.8, 117.5, 39.1, 35.0, 33.0, 21.5. HRMS for  $C_{12}H_{15}NO_2S \cdot Na^+$  calcd 260.0716, found 260.0710.

1.1.3. 2-[4-[(Trimethylsilyl)methyl]-4-pentenyl]-N-[(4methylphenyl)sulfonyl]aziridine (7b, racemic). A stirred solution of olefin 16 (0.42 g, 1.77 mmol) in THF (6.1 mL) was cooled to 0°C and treated with 9-BBN (4.3 mL, 0.5 M in THF, 2.13 mmol). After the addition, the ice bath was removed and the mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for an additional 3 h. DMF (3.1 mL) and  $K_3PO_4$ (1.2 mL, 3 M in H<sub>2</sub>O, 3.72 mmol) were added followed quickly by the addition of (2-bromoallyl)trimethylsilane  $17^{7}$  (0.3 mL, 1.95 mmol). PdCl<sub>2</sub>(dppf) ·CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (0.07 g, 0.09 mmol) was added and the mixture stirred at room temperature for 18.5 h, then concentrated to the DMF layer. The residue was taken up in  $Et_2O$  and washed with  $H_2O$ . The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with  $Et_2O(\times 2)$ . The combined organic layers were washed with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed (100% benzene) to give 0.36 g of racemic aziridine–allylsilane **7b** (58%).  $R_{\rm f}$  0.31 (10% EtOAc in hexanes). <sup>1</sup>H NMR ( $C_6D_6$ , 250 MHz)  $\delta$  7.89 (d, 2H, J=8.78 Hz), 6.73 (d, 2H, J=7.83 Hz), 4.59 (app s, 2H), 2.71-2.62 (m, 1H), 2.44 (d, 1H, J=6.85 Hz), 1.86 (s, 3H), 1.80 (t, 2H, J=6.85 Hz), 1.52 (d, 1H, J=4.88 Hz), 1.41 (s, 2H), 1.35–0.96 (m, 4H), 0.01 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 146.9, 143.8, 136.8, 129.6, 128.3, 107.7, 40.0, 37.8, 33.5, 31.1, 26.6, 25.2, 21.1, -1.3. HRMS for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>29</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>SSi·Na<sup>+</sup> calcd 378.1530, found 378.1538.

**1.1.4. 3**-(*N*-[(4-Methylphenyl)sulfonyl]aminomethyl)-1methylenecyclohexane (8b, racemic). A stirred solution of racemic aziridine 7b (0.94 g, 2.68 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (26.8 mL) was cooled to  $-78^{\circ}$ C and treated with freshly distilled BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> (0.2 mL, 1.34 mmol). After 1 h at  $-78^{\circ}$ C another 0.6 eq. (0.2 mL, 1.61 mmol) of BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> was added. The reaction was stirred at  $-78^{\circ}$ C for 3 h then maintained at  $-25^{\circ}$ C for 15 h. The reaction was quenched with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution then warmed to room temperature. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed (25% Et<sub>2</sub>O in hexanes) to first provide 44.7 mg of racemic desilylated bicycle **10b** (6%), followed by 0.64 g of racemic exocyclic olefin **8b** (86%).  $R_f$  0.49 for racemic desilylated bicycle **10b**, 0.41 for racemic exocyclic olefin **8b** (25% EtOAc in hexanes). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 250 MHz) δ 7.90 (d, 2H, *J*=8.78 Hz), 6.84 (d, 2H, *J*=7.83 Hz), 5.26 (t, 1H, *J*=6.85 Hz), 4.62 (d, 2H, *J*=4.88 Hz), 2.67 (t, 2H, *J*=5.85 Hz), 2.19–2.01 (m, 2H), 1.92 (s, 3H), 1.79–1.66 (m, 1H), 1.54–1.32 (m, 4H), 1.17–1.03 (m, 1H), 0.87–0.72 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 147.7, 142.9, 138.4, 129.7, 127.5, 108.3, 48.8, 39.1, 38.9, 35.0, 29.8, 26.6, 21.1. HRMS for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S·Na<sup>+</sup> 302.1185, found 302.1169.

1.1.5. (2R)-1-(tert-Butyldimethylsilyl)oxo-N-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]-2-amino-4-pentene (19). Vinylmagnesium bromide (30.6 mL, 1 M in THF, 30.60 mmol) was added to a -78°C slurry of CuCN (0.50 g, 5.64 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (34 mL). After stirring for 20 min, a solution of aziridine 18<sup>5</sup> (3.44 g, 10.07 mmol) in THF (51 mL) was added via cannula. After the addition, the mixture was maintained at 0°C for 4 days then quenched with a solution composed of 10% conc. NH<sub>4</sub>OH/90% sat. aq. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution. The mixture was diluted with Et<sub>2</sub>O and stirred at room temperature until all solids were dissolved (ca. 4 h). The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed (10% EtOAc in hexanes) to give 3.31 g of silvl ether **19** (89%).  $R_{\rm f}$  0.32 (15% EtOAc in hexanes),  $[\alpha]_{D}^{24} = +17.9^{\circ}$  (c 1.1, EtOAc). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 250 MHz) δ 7.75 (d, 2H, J=7.80 Hz), 7.30 (d, 2H, J=8.80 Hz), 5.68-5.51 (m, 1H), 5.04-4.98 (m, 2H), 4.75 (d, 1H, J=7.80 Hz), 3.53–3.48 (m, 1H), 3.39–3.33 (m, 1H), 3.28 (m, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.25 (t, 2H, J=6.83 Hz), 0.85 (s, 9H), -0.01 (s, 3H), -0.03 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) & 143.2, 137.8, 133.6, 129.5, 127.0, 118.2, 63.4, 54.2, 36.2, 25.7, 21.4, 18.1, -5.7. HRMS for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>31</sub>NO<sub>3-</sub> SSi·Na<sup>+</sup> calcd 392.1686, found 392.1706.

1.1.6. (2R)-1-(tert-Butyldimethylsilyl)oxo-N-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]-2-amino-5-hexene (20). Allylmagnesium chloride (30.5 mL, 2 M in THF, 60.94 mmol) was added to a  $-78^{\circ}$ C slurry of CuCN (1.01 g, 11.23 mmol) in Et<sub>2</sub>O (67.7 mL). After stirring for 20 min, a solution of aziridine **18**<sup>5</sup> (6.85 g, 20.05 mmol) in THF (101.6 mL) was added via cannula. After the addition, the reaction was maintained at 0°C for 45 h then quenched with a solution composed of 10% conc. NH<sub>4</sub>OH/90% sat. aq. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution. The mixture was diluted with Et2O and stirred at room temperature until all solids were dissolved (ca. 6 h). The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed (10% EtOAc in hexanes) to give 5.80 g of silvl ether **20** (75%).  $R_{\rm f}$  0.24 (10% EtOAc in hexanes),  $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{25} =$ +25.4° (c 2.7, EtOAc). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 250 MHz)  $\delta$  7.75 (d, 2H, J=8.78 Hz), 7.29 (d, 2H, J=8.78 Hz), 5.79-5.63 (m, 1H), 4.98-4.90 (m, 2H), 4.81 (d, 1H, J=7.80 Hz), 3.44-3.29 (m, 2H), 3.24 (m, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.07-1.96 (m, 2H), 1.61–1.52 (m, 2H), 0.84 (s, 9H), -0.03 (s, 3H), -0.05 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 143.2, 138.3,

137.7, 129.6, 127.0, 115.0, 64.0, 54.4, 31.4, 29.7, 25.8, 21.4, 18.2, -5.6. HRMS for  $C_{19}H_{33}NO_3SSi\cdotNa^+$  calcd 406.1843, found 406.1855.

**1.1.7.** (*2R*)-*N*-[(4-Methylphenyl)sulfonyl]-2-amino-4pentenol (21). A stirred solution of silyl ether 19 (4.70 g, 12.71 mmol) in THF (30.1 mL) was cooled to 0°C and treated with *n*-Bu<sub>4</sub>NF (14.0 mL, 1 M in THF, 13.98 mmol). After 2 h at 0°C the reaction was partitioned between H<sub>2</sub>O and Et<sub>2</sub>O. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed (40% EtOAc in hexanes) to give 2.49 g of alcohol 21 (77%). Analytical data was the same as that reported for 15 except  $[\alpha]_D^{24} = -3.5^{\circ}$  (*c* 2.4, EtOAc).

1.1.8. (2R)-N-[(4-Methylphenyl)sulfonyl]-2-amino-5hexenol (22). A stirred solution of silyl ether 20 (5.80 g, 15.12 mmol) in THF (30.2 mL) was cooled to 0°C and treated with *n*-Bu<sub>4</sub>NF (16.6 mL, 1 M in THF, 16.63 mmol). After 1 h at 0°C the reaction was partitioned between H<sub>2</sub>O and Et<sub>2</sub>O. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed (40% EtOAc in hexanes) to give 3.59 g of alcohol 22 (88%). R<sub>f</sub> 0.33 (50% EtOAc in hexanes),  $[\alpha]_D^{24} = +3.5^\circ$  (c 2.8, EtOAc). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 250 MHz) δ 7.79 (d, 2H, J=8.80 Hz), 7.31 (d, 2H, J= 7.83 Hz), 5.68–5.51 (m, 1H), 5.37 (d, 1H, J=8.80 Hz), 4.90-4.81 (m, 2H), 3.61-3.45 (m, 2H), 3.26 (m, 1H), 2.48 (br s, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.03-1.78 (m, 2H), 1.61-1.38 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 143.5, 137.7, 137.3, 129.7, 127.1, 115.2, 64.5, 55.0, 30.8, 29.6, 21.5. HRMS for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>S·Na<sup>+</sup> calcd 292.0978, found 292.0972.

**1.1.9.** (2*R*)-2-[2-Propenyl]-*N*-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]aziridine (23). Ph<sub>3</sub>P (1.27 g, 4.83 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of alcohol 21 (1.12 g, 4.39 mmol) in THF (22.0 mL). The mixture was cooled to 0°C and diethyl azodicarboxylate (0.8 mL, 4.83 mmol) was added dropwise. After the addition, the ice bath was removed and reaction was warmed to room temperature and stirred for an additional 4 h. The mixture was concentrated and chromatographed (8% to 15% EtOAc in hexanes) to give 0.94 g of aziridine 23 (90%). Analytical data was the same as that reported for 16 except  $\left[\alpha\right]_{365}^{24}$ =+18.9° (*c* 4.3, EtOAc).

1.1.10. (2R)-2-[3-Butenyl]-N-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]aziridine (24). Ph<sub>3</sub>P (0.78 g, 2.96 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of alcohol 22 (0.72 g, 2.69 mmol) in THF (13.5 mL). The mixture was cooled to 0°C and diethyl azodicarboxylate (0.5 mL, 2.96 mmol) was added dropwise. After the addition, the ice bath was removed and reaction was warmed to room temperature and stirred for an additional 4 h. The mixture was concentrated and chromatographed (15% EtOAc in hexanes) to give 0.63 g of aziridine 24 (93%). R<sub>f</sub> 0.32 (15% EtOAc in hexanes),  $[\alpha]_{D}^{25} = -7.0^{\circ} (c \ 3.6, \text{EtOAc}).$ <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 250 MHz)  $\delta$ 7.83 (d, 2H, J=7.80 Hz), 7.34 (d, 2H, J=8.78 Hz), 5.81-5.65 (m, 1H), 5.01-4.93 (m, 2H), 2.75 (m, 1H), 2.63 (d, 1H, J=6.83 Hz), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.08 (d, 1H, J=4.90 Hz), 2.09-1.99 (m, 2H), 1.72–1.58 (m, 1H), 1.52–1.37 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 144.4, 136.9, 135.1, 129.6,

127.9, 115.5, 39.7, 33.8, 30.7, 30.6, 21.6. HRMS for  $C_{13}H_{17}NO_2S\cdot Na^+$  calcd 274.0872, found 274.0860.

**1.1.11.** (2*R*)-2-[4-[(Trimethylsilyl)methyl]-4-pentenyl]-*N*-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]aziridine ((*R*)-7b). Aziridine–allylsilane (*R*)-7b was prepared using aziridine 23 (0.42 g, 1.77 mmol) following the same procedure as reported for racemic 7b. This reaction provided 0.36 g of (*R*)-7b (58%). Analytical data was the same as that reported for 7b except  $[\alpha]_{365}^{22}$ =+14.5° (*c* 0.9, EtOAc).

1.1.12. (2R)-2-[5-[(Trimethylsilyl)methyl]-5-hexenyl]-N-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]aziridine ((R)-7c). A stirred solution of olefin 24 (0.98 g, 3.90 mmol) in THF (13.4 mL) was cooled to 0°C and treated with 9-BBN (8.6 mL, 0.5 M in THF, 4.29 mmol). After the addition, the ice bath was removed and the mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for an additional 7 h. (2-Bromoallyl)trimethylsilane 17<sup>7</sup> (0.84 g, 4.34 mmol), DMF (5.0 mL), K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (2.7 mL, 3 M in H<sub>2</sub>O, 8.18 mmol), and PdCl<sub>2</sub>(dppf)·CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (0.16 g, 0.19 mmol) were added to a separate flask and the organoborane solution was added via cannula with an additional DMF (1.7 mL) rinsing. After the addition, the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 25 h then poured into Et<sub>2</sub>O and washed with H<sub>2</sub>O and brine. The aqueous layers were extracted with  $Et_2O$  (×3). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed (50% hexanes in benzene then 100% benzene) to give 0.96 g of aziridineallylsilane (R)-7c (68%).  $R_{\rm f}$  0.34 (Benzene),  $[\alpha]_{365}^{24} =$ +16.2° (c 7.5, EtOAc). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 250 MHz) δ 7.81 (d, 2H, J=7.80 Hz), 7.32 (d, 2H, J=8.80 Hz), 4.51 (app s, 1H), 4.48 (app s, 1H), 2.71 (m, 1H), 2.62 (d, 1H, J= 6.83 Hz), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.05 (d, 1H, J=4.88 Hz), 1.85 (t, 2H, J=7.80 Hz), 1.47 (s, 2H), 1.59–1.16 (m, 6H), 0.00 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 147.1, 144.3, 135.1, 129.6, 127.9, 107.0, 40.3, 37.9, 33.7, 31.2, 27.1, 26.6, 26.4, 21.6, -1.4. HRMS for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>31</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>SSi·Na<sup>+</sup> calcd 388.1737, found 388.1735.

1.1.13. (2R)-1-(tert-Butyldimethylsilyl)oxo-N-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]-2-amino-5-(trimethylsilyl)methyl-5hexene (27). A solution of allylselenide  $25^9$  (1.44 g, 6.51 mmol) in THF (4.3 mL) was added dropwise to a  $-78^{\circ}$ C stirred solution of *n*-BuLi (3.3 mL, 1.96 M in hexanes, 6.51 mmol). After 40 min the allyllithium solution was transferred via cannula into a flask containing a  $-78^{\circ}$ C slurry of CuCN (0.29 g, 3.25 mmol) in THF (3.8 mL). After 8 min the mixture was warmed to 0°C and stirred for 1 h. The reaction was recooled to  $-78^{\circ}$ C and a solution of aziridine 18<sup>5</sup> (0.74 g, 2.17 mmol) in THF (2.3 mL) was added via cannula. After the addition, the reaction was maintained at 0°C for 22.5 h then quenched with a solution composed of 10% conc. NH<sub>4</sub>OH/90% sat. aq. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution. The mixture was diluted with Et<sub>2</sub>O then stirred at room temperature to allow the solids to dissolve. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with  $Et_2O(\times 3)$ . The combined organic layers were washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed (100% hexanes then 100% benzene) to give 0.66 g of allylsilane silvl ether 27 (64%).  $R_{\rm f}$  0.29 (Benzene),  $[\alpha]_D^{24} = +16.5^{\circ}$  (c 4.3, EtOAc). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 250 MHz) δ 7.85 (d, 2H, J=7.83 Hz), 6.81 (d, 2H, J=7.83 Hz), 4.99 (d, 1H, J=7.80 Hz), 4.65 (s, 1H), 4.61 (s, 1H), 3.51–3.32 (m, 3H), 2.03–1.72 (m, 3H), 1.93 (s, 3H), 1.63–1.51 (m, 1H), 1.45 (s, 2H), 0.88 (s, 9H), 0.02 (s, 6H), -0.03 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz)  $\delta$  146.6, 143.1, 138.2, 129.6, 127.0, 107.3, 64.0, 54.7, 34.1, 30.2, 26.6, 25.8, 21.4, 18.2, -1.4, -5.6 HRMS for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>43</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>-SSi<sub>2</sub>·Na<sup>+</sup> calcd 492.2394, found 492.2403.

1.1.14. (2R)-N-[(4-Methylphenyl)sulfonyl]-2-amino-5-(trimethylsilyl)methyl-5-hexenol (28). A stirred solution of silvl ether 27 (1.87 g, 3.97 mmol) in THF (4.1 mL) was cooled to 0°C and treated with n-Bu<sub>4</sub>NF (4.4 mL, 1 M in THF, 4.37 mmol). The reaction was stirred for 30 min at  $0^{\circ}$ C then partitioned between H<sub>2</sub>O and Et<sub>2</sub>O. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed (60% Et<sub>2</sub>O in hexanes) to give 1.39 g of alcohol **28** (98%).  $R_{\rm f}$  0.24 (30% EtOAc in hexanes),  $[\alpha]_{365}^{24} = -4.9^{\circ}$ (c 7.4, EtOAc). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 250 MHz)  $\delta$  7.94 (d, 2H, J=7.83 Hz), 6.89 (d, 2H, J=8.78 Hz), 5.94 (d, 1H, J= 7.80 Hz), 4.57 (s, 1H), 4.55 (s, 1H), 3.72-3.64 (m, 1H), 3.56-3.48 (m, 1H), 3.37-3.35 (m, 1H), 3.20 (t, 1H, J=5.88 Hz), 1.95 (s, 3H), 1.92–1.51 (m, 4H), 1.35 (s, 2H), -0.02 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 146.2, 143.3, 137.8, 129.7, 127.1, 107.4, 64.5, 55.4, 34.1, 29.6, 26.5, 21.5, -1.5. HRMS for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>29</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>SSi·Na<sup>+</sup> calcd 378.1530, found 378.1513.

1.1.15. (2R)-2-[3-[(Trimethylsilyl)methyl]-3-butenyl]-N-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]aziridine ((*R*)-7a). Ph<sub>2</sub>P (0.98 g, 3.72 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of alcohol 28 (1.20 g, 3.38 mmol) in THF (13.3 mL). The mixture was cooled to 0°C and diethyl azodicarboxylate (0.6 mL, 3.72 mmol) was added dropwise. After the addition, the ice bath was removed and the reaction was warmed to room temperature and stirred for an additional 2.5 h. The mixture was concentrated and chromatographed (2% to 15% EtOAc in hexanes) to give 0.82 g of aziridine (*R*)-7a (72%).  $R_{\rm f}$  0.37 (15% EtOAc in hexanes),  $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{24}$ =  $-10.2^{\circ}$  (c 5.8, EtOAc). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 250 MHz)  $\delta$  7.88 (d, 2H, J=8.78 Hz), 6.74 (d, 2H, J=8.80 Hz), 4.57 (s, 2H), 2.74-2.64 (m, 1H), 2.44 (d, 1H, J=6.85 Hz), 1.86 (s, 3H), 1.83 (t, 2H, J=7.80 Hz), 1.54 (d, 1H, J=4.88 Hz), 1.53-1.38 (m, 1H), 1.35 (s, 2H), 1.33–1.09 (m, 1H), -0.04 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 145.9, 144.4, 135.1, 129.6, 128.0, 107.4, 40.1, 35.1, 33.7, 29.6, 26.8, 21.6, -1.5. HRMS for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>SSi·Na<sup>+</sup> calcd 360.1424, found 360.1411.

**1.1.16.** (3*R*)-3-(*N*-[(4-Methylphenyl)sulfonyl]aminomethyl)-1-methylenecyclohexane ((*R*)-8b). A stirred solution of aziridine (*R*)-7b (0.53 g, 1.52 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (15.2 mL) was cooled to  $-78^{\circ}$ C and treated with freshly distilled BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> (0.2 mL, 1.52 mmol). The reaction was stirred for 1 h at  $-78^{\circ}$ C then maintained at  $-25^{\circ}$ C for 22 h. The reaction was quenched with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution then warmed to room temperature. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed (25% Et<sub>2</sub>O in hexanes) to give 0.41 g of exocyclic olefin (*R*)-8b (97%). Analytical data was the same as that reported for 8b except [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>2</sup><sup>3</sup>= $-21.5^{\circ}$  (*c* 1.8, EtOAc). 7116

1.1.17. (3R)-3-(N-[(4-Methylphenyl)sulfonyl]aminomethyl)-1-methylenecycloheptane ((R)-8c). A stirred solution of aziridine (R)-7c (0.37 g, 1.0 mmol) in  $CH_2Cl_2$ (10.0 mL) was cooled to  $-78^{\circ}$ C and treated with freshly distilled BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> (0.3 mL, 2.0 mmol). The reaction was stirred for 1 h at  $-78^{\circ}$ C then maintained at  $0^{\circ}$ C for 19 h. The reaction was quenched with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution then warmed to room temperature. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH2Cl2. The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed (25% Et<sub>2</sub>O in hexanes) to give 0.15 g of exocyclic olefin (R)-8c (51%).  $R_{\rm f}$  0.40 (25% EtOAc in hexanes),  $[\alpha]_{D}^{24} = +7.5^{\circ}$  (c 2.2, EtOAc). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 250 MHz) δ 7.75 (d, 2H, J=8.78 Hz), 7.30 (d, 2H, J=8.80 Hz), 4.88 (t, 1H, J=5.85 Hz), 4.69 (app s, 1H), 4.64 (app s, 1H), 2.79 (t, 2H, J=6.83 Hz), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.38-2.24 (m, 1H), 2.18-1.85 (m, 2H), 1.72-1.57 (m, 5H), 1.42-1.07 (m, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 148.9, 143.2, 137.0, 129.6, 127.0, 112.0, 49.0, 39.3, 39.2, 36.1, 32.7, 28.2, 26.8, 21.5. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR also contained signals representing a small amount (ca. <5%) of isomerized amino olefin. HRMS for C16H23NO2S·Na+ calcd 316.1342, found 316.1338.

1.1.18. (1*R*,5*S*)-5-Methyl-6-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]-6-azabicyclo[3.2.1]octane ((1R,5S)-10b). A stirred solution of allylsilane (R)-7b (0.38 g, 1.07 mmol) in  $CH_2Cl_2$ (10.8 mL) was cooled to  $-78^{\circ}$ C and treated with freshly distilled BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> (0.4 mL, 3.22 mmol). After the addition, the ice bath was removed and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 16 h then quenched with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution and diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>  $(\times 2)$ . The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed (15% EtOAc in hexanes) to give 0.23 g of (1R,5S)-10b (77%).  $R_f 0.49 (25\%)$ EtOAc in hexanes),  $[\alpha]_D^{24} = -6.4^\circ$  (c 2.2, EtOAc). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 250 MHz)  $\delta$  7.82 (d, 2H, J=8.78 Hz), 6.83 (d, 2H, J=8.80 Hz), 3.52 (d, 1H, J=9.76 Hz), 3.24-3.18 (m, 1H), 2.19-2.12 (m, 1H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 1.88-1.66 (m, 2H), 1.45 (s, 3H), 1.36–1.25 (m, 3H), 1.11–0.99 (m, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $(CDCl_3, 100 \text{ MHz}) \delta 142.3, 139.9, 129.3, 126.5, 66.4,$ 54.4, 47.2, 37.8, 32.4, 29.9, 24.9, 21.4, 19.3. HRMS for  $C_{15}H_{21}NO_2S \cdot Na^+$  calcd 302.1185, found 302.1189.

1.1.19. (1R,6S)-6-Methyl-7-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]-7-azabicyclo[4.2.1]nonane ((1R,6S)-10c). A stirred solution of aziridine (R)-7c (0.38 g, 1.04 mmol) in  $CH_2Cl_2$ (10.4 mL) was cooled to  $-78^{\circ}$ C and treated with freshly distilled BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> (0.4 mL, 3.11 mmol). After the addition, the ice bath was removed and the reaction was stirred at room temperature for 23 h then refluxed for 23 h. The reaction was diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and quenched with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (×2). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed (15% EtOAc in hexanes) to give 0.11 g of (1*R*,6*S*)-**10c** (37%). *R*<sub>f</sub> 0.46 (25% EtOAc in hexanes),  $[\alpha]_D^{24} = -7.9^\circ$  (c 3.5, EtOAc). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 250 MHz) δ 7.82 (d, 2H, J=7.80 Hz), 6.85 (d, 2H, J= 8.78 Hz), 3.29 (d, 1H, J=9.78 Hz), 3.19-3.12 (m, 1H), 2.69-2.58 (m, 1H), 1.95 (s, 3H), 1.86-1.71 (m, 1H), 1.69-1.12 (m, 9H), 1.43 (s, 3H).  $^{13}$ C NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, 100 MHz)  $\delta$  142.1, 139.9, 129.4, 127.5, 68.6, 56.4, 43.7, 40.8, 34.9, 33.5, 28.8, 25.5, 23.9, 21.1. HRMS for  $C_{16}H_{23}NO_2S\cdot Na^+$  calcd 316.1342, found 316.1330.

1.1.20. 4-(N-[(4-Methylphenyl)sulfonyl]amino)-1methylenecyclohexane (29). A stirred solution of aziridine (R)-7a (0.18 g, 0.54 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5.4 mL) was cooled to  $-78^{\circ}C$  and treated with freshly distilled BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> (0.1 mL, 1.09 mmol). The reaction was stirred at  $-78^{\circ}C$ for 1 h then maintained at 0°C for 16.5 h. The mixture was quenched with sat. aq. NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution then warmed to room temperature. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (×2). The combined organic layers were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed (25% Et<sub>2</sub>O in hexanes) to give 71.6 mg of olefin 29 (50%). Rf 0.37 (25% EtOAc in hexanes). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 250 MHz)  $\delta$  7.79 (d, 2H, J= 7.83 Hz), 7.30 (d, 2H, J=8.80 Hz), 4.84 (d, 1H, J=6.83 Hz), 4.60 (app s, 2H), 3.35-3.21 (m, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H), 2.26-2.17 (m, 2H), 2.05-1.93 (m, 2H), 1.86-1.68 (m, 2H), 1.38-1.23 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) δ 146.5, 143.2, 138.2, 129.6, 126.9, 108.3, 51.8, 34.4, 32.4, 21.5. HRMS for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S·Na<sup>+</sup> calcd 288.1029, found 288.1032.

1.1.21. (1R,5S)-3-[(4-Methylphenyl)sulfonyl]-3-azabicyclo-[3.3.1]nonane (13): using 9-BBN. A solution of olefin (R)-8b (0.55 g, 1.98 mmol) in THF (4.1 mL) was treated with 9-BBN (15.8 mL, 0.5 M in THF, 7.91 mmol) at room temperature and stirred for 6.5 h. The reaction was then cooled to 0°C and treated with EtOH (4.65 mL) dropwise, followed by stirring for 5 min to quench the excess 9-BBN. 6N aq. NaOH (1.6 mL) was then added dropwise followed by 30% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (2.9 mL). After the addition, the mixture was refluxed for 1 h, cooled to room temperature and diluted with H<sub>2</sub>O and EtOAc. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc ( $\times$ 2). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>), filtered, and concentrated. <sup>1</sup>H NMR of the crude reaction mixture indicated a 1:1 mixture of cis and trans amino alcohols 30. The crude mixture was chromatographed (50% EtOAc in hexanes) to give 0.59 g of a mixture of alcohols 30 (100%), which was immediately used in the Mitsunobu reaction. Ph<sub>3</sub>P (0.57 g, 2.18 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of the alcohol mixture 30 (0.59 g, 1.98 mmol) in THF (7.8 mL). The mixture was cooled to 0°C and diethyl azodicarboxylate (0.3 mL, 2.18 mmol) was added dropwise. After the addition, the ice bath was removed and the reaction was warmed to room temperature and stirred for an additional 17 h. The mixture was concentrated and chromatographed (4-10% EtOAc in hexanes) to give 0.28 g of bicycle 13 (51% from (R)-8b).

**1.1.22.** Using BH<sub>3</sub>·THF. A stirred solution of olefin (*R*)-8b (0.52 g, 1.85 mmol) in THF (3.8 mL) was treated with BH<sub>3</sub>·THF (7.4 mL, 1 M in THF, 7.41 mmol) at 0°C then warmed to room temperature and stirred for an additional 6.5 h. The above oxidation protocol was followed using EtOH (4.7 mL), 6N aq. NaOH (1.5 mL), and 30% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (2.7 mL). Standard work up gave 0.54 g of a 1:2 mixture (via crude <sup>1</sup>H NMR) of *cis* and *trans* amino alcohols **30** (99%), which was immediately used in the Mitsunobu reaction. Ph<sub>3</sub>P (0.53 g, 2.02 mmol) was added to a stirred solution of the alcohol mixture **30** (0.54 g, 1.83 mmol) in

THF (7.2 mL). The mixture was cooled to 0°C and treated with diethyl azodicarboxylate (0.3 mL, 2.02 mmol) dropwise. After the addition, the ice bath was removed and the reaction was warmed to room temperature and stirred for an additional 15 h. The mixture was concentrated and chromatographed (4–10% EtOAc in hexanes) to give 0.15 g of bicycle **13** (30% from (*R*)-**8b**). *R*<sub>f</sub> 0.43 (25% EtOAc in hexanes). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 250 MHz) & 7.61 (d, 2H, *J*= 7.50 Hz), 7.31 (d, 2H, *J*=7.50 Hz), 3.75 (d, 2H, *J*= 11.73 Hz), 2.51–2.42 (m, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.89–1.85 (m, 4H), 1.73–1.44 (m, 4H), 1.36–1.30 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz) & 143.1, 132.5, 129.4, 127.6, 51.1, 32.4, 30.6, 28.0, 21.4, 20.8. HRMS for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S·Na<sup>+</sup> calcd 302.1185, found 302.1169.

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