Typical procedure: n-Butyllithium (0.81 mL of a 2.5 M solution in hexane, 2.02 mmol, 3 equiv.) was added dropwise to a stirred solution of diisopropylamine (0.28 mL, 2.02 mmol, 3 equiv.) in THF (2.5 mL) at 0 °C, under a nitrogen atmosphere. After 20 minutes, a solution of thiophene-3-carboxylic acid allyl-tert-butylamide (0.15 g, 0.67 mmol, 1 equiv.) in THF (2.5 mL) added via cannula at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 3 hours and quenched with p-bromobenzyl bromide (1.0 g, 4.04 mmol, 6 equiv.) and allowed to warm to room temperature overnight. Water (5 mL) was added and the organic phase separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with diethyl ether and the combined organic extracts washed with water (10 mL) then brine (10 mL), dried (MgSO₄), and the solvent removed under reduced pressure to yield the crude product. Purification by flash column chromatography (SiO₂; 25:1 Petrol/EtOAc) afforded 25e (0.19 g, 50 %) as needles; m.p. 133.5-133.8 °C; Rf (25:1 petrol/EtOAc) 0.50; \( \nu_{\text{max}} \) (CHCl₃)/cm⁻¹ 2968, 1663 (C=O), 1487, 1191, 1071, 729; \( \delta_{\text{H}} \) (300 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.48 (2H, d, J 8.4, ArH), 7.40 (2H, d, J 8.4, ArH), 7.20 (2H, d, J 8.4, ArH), 7.14 (2H, d, J 3.5, H-6), 6.30 (1H, d, J 3.5, H-5), 6.14 (1H, ddd, J 9.2, 3.5, 1.6, H-5), 6.06 (1H, d, J 21.2, H-8), 6.02 (1H, d, J 21.2, H-9), 5.62 (1H, dd, J 9.2, 4.8, H-4), 3.85 (2H, s, SCH₂Ph), 3.38 (1H, dd, J 18.2, 9.2, H-3), 2.98 (2H, s, CH₂Ph), 1.45 (9H, s, tBu); \( \delta_{\text{C}} \) (75 MHz, CDCl₃) 173.2, 139.8, 139.6, 136.9, 134.4, 132.1, 131.5, 131.3, 130.8, 127.2, 126.0, 125.7, 125.3, 121.6, 119.9, 60.6, 48.7, 38.7, 34.5, 29.2; m/z 560 (100 %, M + H⁺); Found: M⁺, 559.0177. C₂₆H₂₇NOBr₂S requires 559.0181.