# Supporting information 

# Stereoconvergent synthesis of 1-deoxynojirimycin isomers by using the 3 component 4 centred Ugi reaction 

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General Information: Reagent grade solvents were used for the extraction and flash chromatography. All the reagents and chemicals were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich Chemical Co., Lancaster and were used directly without further purification. The progress of reactions was checked by analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC, Merck silica gel 60 F254 plates). The plates were visualized first with UV illumination followed by charring with $10 \% \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ in $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{OH}$. Flash column chromatography was performed using silica gel (230400 mesh). The solvent compositions reported for all chromatographic separations are on a volume/volume (v/v) basis. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{NMR}$ spectra were recorded at either 200 or 300 MHz and are reported in parts per million ( ppm ) on the $\delta$ scale relative to tetramethylsilane as an internal standard. ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$-NMR spectra were recorded at either 50 or 75 MHz and are reported in parts per million (ppm) on the $\delta$ scale relative to $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ( $\delta 77.00$ ). Mass spectra were obtained using JEOL SX-102 (ESI) instrument. Melting points were determined on a Mel Temp II melting point apparatus and are uncorrected.

## 2,3-O-Cyclohexylidene-d-ribose (20)



A mixture of D-ribose $12(30.0 \mathrm{~g}, 0.2 \mathrm{~mol})$ and $p$-toluenesulfonic acid ( 0.7 $\mathrm{g}, 3.7 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) was stirred in freshly distilled cyclohexanone ( 200 mL ) under nitrogen. After 12 h, TLC (ethyl acetate) indicated complete consumption of starting material $\left(\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{f}} 0.1\right)$, and the formation of a major product $\left(\mathrm{R}_{f} 0.7\right)$. Ethyl acetate ( 500 ml ) was added and the mixture washed with sodium bicarbonate solution ( 300 ml ), and water ( 300 ml ). The organic extracts were dried $\left(\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)$, filtered, the solvent removed and the residue purified by dry flash chromatography ( $\mathrm{MeOH}: \mathrm{CHCl}_{3} 5 \%$ ) to yield 2.3-0-cyclohexylidene-D-ribose 98 ( 44.5 g , $97 \%$ ) as a colourless oil; $[\alpha]^{20}-20.8$ (c, 1.1 in $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ); IR ( $v_{\max }, \mathrm{KBr}, \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3556, 2842, 2922,1186, 1048, 718.; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}+\mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ): $\delta 5.55$ (s, 1H), $4.71-4.30(\mathrm{~m}$, $3 \mathrm{H}), 4.08(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.91(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.32(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.10-1.77(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.73-1.34(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 1.24(\mathrm{~s}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 1.09-0.69(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 111.15,102.1,83.56,81.19,74.59$, 62.1, 36.63, 34.27, 24.38, 23.84, 23.84; Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ (230.12): C, 57.38; H, 7.88\%; Found: C, 57.42; H, 7.76; ES-MS (M+H): $231.1 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{z}$.

## 5-Azido-2,3-O-cyclohexylidene-5-deoxy- $\alpha / \beta$-D-ribofuranose (24)


p-Toluenesulfonyl chloride ( $9.45 \mathrm{~g}, 49.5 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) was added to a cooled ( 0 $\left.{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ and stirred solution of $\mathbf{9 8}(11.5 \mathrm{~g}, 50 \mathrm{mmol})$ in dry pyridine $(250 \mathrm{~mL})$. The mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirring was continued for 16 h . Benzoyl chloride ( $14.5 \mathrm{~mL}, 125 \mathrm{mmol}, 2.5$ equiv) was added and after stirring for an additional 90 min the mixture was concentrated, taken up in ethyl acetate and subsequently washed with saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}(2 \mathrm{x})$, saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ and brine (2x). The organic layer was dried $\left(\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)$ and concentrated to obtain a yellow oil, which was coevaporated with toluene and dissolved in 250 mL dry DMF. Sodium azide ( $16.25 \mathrm{~g}, 250 \mathrm{mmol}, 5$ equiv) was added and the resulting suspension was stirred for 12 h at $120^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The mixture was concentrated, taken up in ethyl acetate and washed with saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}(2 \mathrm{x})$ and brine (2x). The organic layer was dried $\left(\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)$ and concentrated. The residue was dissolved in methanol ( 300 mL ), brought to pH 9 with sodium methanolate and stirred for 14 h . After neutralization of the solution with amberlyte $\mathrm{H}^{+}$, the mixture was filtered and concentrated in vacuo yielding a yellow oil. The residue was taken up in ethyl acetate and washed with brine (3x), dried $\left(\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)$ and concentrated. Purification by flash column chromatography (EtOAc:Hexane
$20 \%$ ) yielded compound $\mathbf{1 0 2}$ as a pale yellow oil ( $6.51 \mathrm{~g}, 25.5 \mathrm{mmol}, 51 \%$ ) as well as a minor fraction of the starting material $98(2.26 \mathrm{~g}, 4,9 \mathrm{mmol}, 9.8 \%) .[\alpha]^{20}+40^{\circ}(0.1, A C N)$; IR $\left(v_{\text {max }}\right.$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3421, 2934, 2836, 2099, 1446, 1371, 1269, 1233, 1162, 1012, 1057, 999, 968, 937; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 5.65-5.46(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.49-4.77(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.28-4.49(\mathrm{~m}$, $1 \mathrm{H})$, $3.54-3.73(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $3.30-3.54(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $1.12-1.74(\mathrm{~m}, 10 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 75 MHz , $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 111.64,104.59,84.92,82.02,80.03,55.52,38.03,35.67,25.47,25.09, ;$ Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{4}$ (255.12): C, 51.76; H, 6.71; N, 16.46 \%; Found: C, 51.72; H, 6.72; N, 16.45; ES-MS (M+H): $256.2 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{z}$.

## General method for the synthesis of 26a-l and 27

The azide $\mathbf{1 0 2}$ was dissolved in $\mathrm{MeCN}(15 \mathrm{~mL}), \mathrm{BF}_{3} \cdot \mathrm{OEt}_{2}$ ( 1.0 equiv), NaI ( $50 \mathrm{~mol} \%$ ) was added at $-10^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The reation mixture was stirred then $40-50 \mathrm{~min}$, after that the mixture was again cooled to -20 to $-15^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, carboxylic acid ( 2 mmol ) and isocyanide ( 2 mmol ) were added and stirring was continued for 12 h at rt . The mixture was concentrated and the reductive cyclized followed by Ugi products were isolated by flash column chromatography ( $\mathrm{MeOH}: \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}, 20 \%$ ).
(3a'S,4'R,7'R,7a'R)-5'-benzoyl-N-cyclohexyl-7'-hydroxyhexahydrospiro[cyclohexane-1,2'-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-c]pyridine]-4'-carboxamide (26a)


Yield $43 \%$; white solid; $[\alpha]^{25}=+42.8$ (c $1.0, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ); IR ( $v_{\max }$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3456, 3445, 3326, 1642, 1532, 1312, 1266, 1099; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR (300 $\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 7.75-8.04(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.34-7.54(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 6.29$ (br. s., $1 \mathrm{H})$, 4.43-4.73 (m, 3 H), 4.22-4.43 (m, 2 H), 3.95-4.12 (m, 1 H), 3.74-3.93(m, 1 H), 3.14-3.35 (m, 1 H), 1.33-1.72(m, 20 H$) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 170.56,168.44,134.96,130.69,128.94,126.43,110.86,81.93$, $79.02,62.9,58.99,45.6,45.43,37.51,35.87,32.59,25.2,24.54,24.37,23.36$; Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{25} \mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ (442.25): C, 67.85; H, 7.74; N, 6.33\%; Found: C, 67.79; H, 7.72; N, 6.34; ES-MS (M+H): $443.3 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{z}$.
(3a'S,4'R,7'R,7a'R)-N-cyclohexyl-7'-hydroxy-5'-(4-methylpentanoyl)hexahydrospiro [cyclohexane-1,2'-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-c]pyridine]-4'-carboxamide (26b)


Yield 52\%; white solid; $[\alpha]^{25}=-61.2\left(c 1.4, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$; IR ( $v_{\max }$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3454, 3446, 3322, 2875, 1642, 1532, , 1266, 1099, 726; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$

NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 6.29$ (br. s., 1 H ), 4.37-4.66 (m, 2 H), 4.18-4.31 (m, 1 H ), 3.81 - $4.04(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.90(\mathrm{t}, J=9.90 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.20-2.42(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.21-1.62(\mathrm{~m}, 23 \mathrm{H}), 0.79-$ 1.01 (m, 6 H ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 173.24,169.33,110.31,82.62,77.45,62.6$, 61.76, 48.03, 44.33, 36.69, 35.07, 32.99, 31.62, 30.83, 25.19, 24.74, 24.51, 24.33, 22.37, 22.08; Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{24} \mathrm{H}_{40} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ (436.29): C, 66.03; H, 9.24; N, 6.42\%; Found: C, 66.06; H, 9.21; N, 6.41; ES-MS (M+Na): 459.3 m/z.
(3a'S,4'R,7'R,7a'R)-5'-butyryl-N-cyclohexyl-7'-hydroxyhexahydrospiro[cyclohexane-1,2'-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-c]pyridine]-4'-carboxamide (26c)


Yield $66 \%$; white solid; $[\alpha]^{25}=-14.7$ (c 1.4, $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ); ; IR ( $v_{\text {max }}$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3461, 3446, 3327, 2877, 1617, 1528, , 1261, 1103, 727; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 6.26$ (br. s., 1 H ), $4.30-4.68$ (m, 3 H ), 4.13-4.30(m, 1 H), 3.81-4.03 (m, 3 H), 2.75-2.95 (m, 1 H), 2.52$2.75(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.25-1.78(\mathrm{~m}, 22 \mathrm{H}), 0.87-1.11(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR $\left(75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta 173.14,169.45,110.3,81.73,76.91,62.36,61.77,48.00,44.10,36.68$, $35.78,35.03,32.97,25.15,24.49,24.3,22.34,18.33,13.74$; Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{36} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ (408.26): C, 64.68; H, 8.88; N, 6.86\%; Found: C, 64.70; H, 8.90; N, 6.85; ES-MS (M+H): $409.2 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{z}$.
benzyl ((2S)-1-((3a'S,4'R,7'R,7a'R)-4'-(cyclohexylcarbamoyl)-7'-hydroxyhexahydro-spiro[cyclohexane-1,2'-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-c]pyridin]-6'-yl)-3-methyl-1-oxobutan-2-yl)
carbamate (26d)


Yield $55 \%$; light yellow solid; $[\alpha]^{25}=+26.3$ (c 1.0, CHCl3); IR (v ${ }_{\text {max }}$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3433, 3423, 3323, 2827, 1619, 1529, 1262, 1105 , 689, 727; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 7.19-7.38(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 6.29$ (br. s., 1 H), 5.98 (br. s., 1 H), 5.52 (br. s., 1 H), 5.04 (s, 2 H), 4.61 - $4.80(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.40-4.61(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.94-4.10(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.63-$ 3.79 (m, 2 H), 3.48-3.62 (m, 1 H), 2.57 (br. s., 1 H), 1.21-1.75 (m, 20 H), $0.94-1.11$ (m, 3 H), 0.70-0.86(m, 3 H); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 168.69,155.76,135.75,128.37,128.2$, $128,110.12,82.02,76.99,70.67,66.81,66.44,65.88,61.91,48.87,36.7,35.07,32.89,29.9$, 25.2, 24.5, 24.36, 23.26, 19.01, 16.33; Anal. calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{31} \mathrm{H}_{45} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ (571.33): C, 65.13; H, 7.93; N, 7.35\%; Found: C, 65.15; H, 7.92; N, 7.34; ES-MS (M+H): 572.4 m/z.
benzyl ((2S)-1-((3a'S,4'R,7'R,7a'R)-4'-(cyclohexylcarbamoyl)-7'-hydroxyhexahydro-spiro[cyclohexane-1,2'-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-c]pyridin]-6'-yl)-1-oxopropan-2-yl)carbamate (26e)


Yield $52 \%$; light yellow solid; $[\alpha]^{25}=-38.3$ (c 1.0, $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ); IR ( $v_{\text {max }}$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3451, 3433, 3331, 2829, 1621, 1531, 1263 , 1112, 691, 728; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 7.21$ - 7.37 (m, 5 H), 6.29 (br. s., 1 H), 5.98 (br. s., 1 H), 5.46 (br. s., 1 H), 4.98 $-5.12(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.41-4.79(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 4.09(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.68 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, 3.63-3.89 (m, 2 H), 3.44-3.63 (m, 1 H ), 2.57 (br. s., 1 H ), 1.20-1.70 (m, 23 H$) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 168.89,155.85,135.95,128.36,128.23,128.03,110.12,81.43,77.01$, 71.16, 66.94, 65.26, 62.07, 54.09, 48.89, 36.71, 35.06, 32.88, 25.18, 24.51, 24.34, 23.25, 17.88; Anal. calcd. for $\mathrm{C}_{29} \mathrm{H}_{41} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ (543.29): C, 64.07; H, 7.60; N, 7.73\%; Found: C, 64.09; H, 7.63; N, 7.74; ES-MS (M+H): $544.3 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{z}$.
benzyl ((2S)-1-((3a'S,4'R,7'R,7a'R)-4'-(cyclohexylcarbamoyl)-7'-hydroxyhexahydro-spiro[cyclohexane-1,2'-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-c]pyridin]-6'-yl)-1-oxo-3-phenylpropan-2-yl) carbamate (26f)


Yield $50 \%$; white solid; $[\alpha]^{25}=+12.4$ (c 1.1, $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ); IR ( $\mathrm{v}_{\text {max }}$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3459, 3238, 3194, 2833, 1673, 1334, 1266, 1104, 634; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 7.10-7.33$ (m, 10 H ), 6.28 (br. s., 1 H ), 5.98 (br. s., 1 H), 5.57 (br. s., 1 H), 4.96-5.12 (m, 2
H), 4.58-4.76 (m, 2 H), 4.41-4.58 (m, 1 H), 4.06-4.22 (m, 1 H), 3.62-3.90(m, 2 H), 3.46-3.62(m, 1 H), 3.04-3.21(m, 1H), 2.85-3.04 (m, 1H), 2.39 - 2.70 (m, 1 H ), $1.29-1.70(\mathrm{~m}, 20 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 169.41,156.09,136.2$, 136.01, 130.94, 128.96, 128.58, 128.5, 128.37, 128.15, 127.18, 110.26, 80.79, 76.54, 70.73, 67.17, 65.55, 61.95, 59.74, 49.01, 38.74, 36.82, 35.18, 33.02, 25.31, 24.61, 24.45, 23.37; Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{35} \mathrm{H}_{45} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ (619.33): C, 67.83; H, 7.32; N, 6.78\%; Found: C, 67.85; H, 7.31; N, 6.74; ES-MS (M+H): $620.4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{z}$.
(3a'S,4'R,7'R,7a'R)-5'-benzoyl-N-(tert-butyl)-7'-hydroxyhexahydrospiro[cyclohexane-1,2'-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-c]pyridine]-4'-carboxamide ( $\mathbf{2 6 g}$ )


Yield $47 \%$; light yellow solid; $[\alpha]^{25}=-48.6$ (c 1.1, $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ); IR ( $v_{\text {max }}$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3561, $3356,3276,2873,1633,1208,1088,725 ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 7.36-8.05(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 6.48$ (br. s., 1 H ), 4.44-4.79
(m, 3 H), 4.19-4.41 (m, 2 H), 3.89-4.12 (m, 1 H), 3.10-3.31 (m, 1 H), 1.23-1.71 (m, 20 H); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 170.92,168.88,134.74,130.62,128.89,126.35,110.25$, 81.29, 79.22, $62.85,60.65,50.72,45.06,37.48,35.83,27.61,24.52,24.34$; Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{23} \mathrm{H}_{32} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ (416.23): C, 66.32; H, 7.74; N, 6.73\%; Found: C, 66.30; H, 7.76; N, 6.74; ES-MS $(\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}): 417.3 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{z}$.
(3a'S,4'R,7'R,7a'R)-N-(tert-butyl)-7'-hydroxy-5'-(4-methylpentanoyl)hexahydrospiro [cyclohexane-1,2'-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-c]pyridine]-4'-carboxamide
 (26h)

Yield $44 \%$; white solid; $[\alpha]^{25}=122.6$ (c 1.0, $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ); IR ( $v_{\text {max }}$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3562, 3293, 3275, 228, 1637, 1287, 1104, 957, 712; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 6.48$ (br. s., 2 H ), $4.35-4.74$ (m, 3 H ), 4.17 4.35 (m, 1 H), 3.78-4.08 (m, 2 H), 2.71-2.96 (m, 1 H), 2.14-2.41 (m, 2 H ), $1.18-1.75(\mathrm{~m}, 22 \mathrm{H}), 0.80-1.02(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 173.77$, $169.18,109.75,82.04,77.69,64.32,61.76,53.14,43.82,36.7,35.07,31.72,30.82,28.62$, 24.73, 24.52, 24.35, 22.08; Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{38} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ (410.28): C, 64.36; H, 9.33; N, 6.82\%; Found: C, 64.33; H, 9.36; N, 6.84; ES-MS (M+H): $411.3 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{z}$.
(3a'S,4'R,7'R,7a'R)-N-(tert-butyl)-5'-butyryl-7'-hydroxyhexahydrospiro[cyclohexane-1,2'-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-c $]$ pyridine]-4'-carboxamide (26i)


Yield $52 \%$; white solid; $[\alpha]^{25}=+17.7$ (c 1.2, $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ); IR ( $\mathrm{v}_{\text {max }}$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-}$ ${ }^{1}$ ): $356,3487,3287,2879,1672,1276,1108,943,782,692 ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 6.48$ (br. s., 3 H ), $4.31-4.67$ (m, 8 H ), 4.17-4.29 (m, 3 H ), 3.83-4.04 (m, 6 H), 2.73-2.91 (m, 3 H), 2.46-2.69 (m, 6H), $1.18-1.83(\mathrm{~m}, 63 \mathrm{H}), 0.99$ (quin, $J=6.98 \mathrm{~Hz}, 9 \mathrm{H}$ ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 75 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta 173.65,169.29,109.73,81.15,77.17,77.12,64.12,61.83,53.13,43.6,36.71,35.93$, 35.05, 28.63, 24.51, 24.34, 18.37, 13.77; Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{34} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ (382.25): C, 62.80; H, 8.96; N, 7.32\%; Found: C, 62.83; H, 8.94; N, 7.31; ES-MS (M+Na): 405.3 m/z.
benzyl ((2S)-1-((3a'S,4'R,7'R,7a'R)-4'-(tert-butylcarbamoyl)-7'-hydroxyhexahydrospiro [cyclohexane-1,2'-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-c]pyridin]-6'-yl)-3-methyl-1-oxobutan-2-yl)
carbamate (26j)


Yield $54 \%$; yellow solid; $[\alpha]^{25}=-26.2\left(c\right.$ 1.0, $\left.\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$; IR ( $v_{\text {max }}$, Neat, $\left.\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right): 382,3376,3238,2287,1673,1294,2207,966,782 ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$

NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 7.26$ (s, 5 H ), 6.66 (br. s., 1 H ), 5.93 (br. s., 1 H ), $5.49-5.61$ (m, $1 \mathrm{H}), 5.00$ (s, 2 H), 4.72-4.65 (br. s., 2 H), 4.43-4.60 (m, 1 H), 3.98-4.14 (m, 1 H), 3.52 3.76 (m, 2 H), 2.42-2.66 (m, 1 H), 1.49-1.77 (m, 5 H), 1.17-1.49 (m, 15 H$), 0.94-1.11$ (m, $3 \mathrm{H}), 0.68-0.90(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 169.98$, 155.73, 135.71, 128.38, 128.32, 128.16, 127.96, 109.51, 81.35, 77.18, 70.6, 66.74, 66.38, 65.34, 64.56, 50.06, 36.62, 35.00, 29.82, 28.62, 24.42, 24.28, 18.93, 16.24; Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{29} \mathrm{H}_{43} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ (545.31): C, 63.83; H, 7.94; N, 7.70\%; Found: C, 63.81; H, 7.92; N, 7.72; ES-MS (M+H): $546.3 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{z}$.
benzyl ((2S)-1-((3a'S, $\left.\mathbf{4}^{\prime} R, 7^{\prime} R, 7 a^{\prime} R\right)-4^{\prime}-(t e r t-b u t y l c a r b a m o y l)-7^{\prime}-h y d r o x y h e x a h y d r o s p i r o$ [cyclohexane-1,2'-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-c]pyridin]-6'-yl)-1-oxopropan-2-yl)carbamate (26k)


Yield $48 \%$; white solid; $[\alpha]^{25}=-86.4$ (c 1.5, $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ); IR ( $\nu_{\text {max }}$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3523, 3376, 3277, 2895, 1654, 1287, 1105, 954, 753; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 7.18-7.42$ (m, 5 H ), 6.70 (br. s., 1 H ), 5.96 (br. s., 1 H), 5.49 (br. s., 1 H), 4.96-5.15 (m, 2 H), 4.39-4.81 (m, 3H), 4.04-4.27(m, 1 H), 3.58-3.89 (m, 2 H), 2.41-2.75 (m, $1 \mathrm{H}), 1.15-1.75(\mathrm{~m}, 23 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C} \operatorname{NMR}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta 170.2,155.85,135.95,128.36$, $128.23,128.23,109.56,80.85,77.26,71.16,66.94,64.78,54.09,50.15,36.71,35.06,28.68$, 24.51, 24.34, 17.88; Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{27} \mathrm{H}_{39} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ (517.28): C, 62.65 ; H, 7.59; N, 8.12\%; Found: C, 62.61; H, 7.52; N, 8.11; ES-MS (M+H): 518.2 m/z.
benzyl ((2S)-1-((3a'S,4'R,7'R,7a'R)-4'-(tert-butylcarbamoyl)-7'-hydroxyhexahydrospiro [cyclohexane-1,2'-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-c]pyridin]-6'-yl)-1-oxo-3-phenylpropan-2-yl) carbamate (261)


Yield $46 \%$; white solid; $[\alpha]^{25} D=+32.6\left(c 1.6, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$; $\operatorname{IR}\left(v_{\max }\right.$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3576, 5476, 3364, 2863, 1063, 973, 812, 783; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 7.10-7.36$ (m, 10 H ), 6.70 (br. s., 1 H), 5.98 (br. s., 1 H), 5.57 (br. s., 1 H), 4.97-5.12 (m, 2 H), 4.59-4.80 (m, 2 H), 4.42-4.59 (m, 1 H), 4.08-4.23 (m, 1 H), 3.76-3.87 (m, 1 H), 3.543.76 (m, 1 H), 3.04-3.21 (m, 1 H), 2.84-3.04 (m, 1 H), 2.58 (br. s., 1 H), 1.21-1.72 (m, 19 H); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 170.57,155.93,136.05,135.86,130.78,128.81,128.35$, 128.21, 128.11, 127.03, 109.55, 80.06, 76.65, 70.62, 67.04, 64.96, 64.52, 59.61, 50.15, 38.62, 36.71, 35.06, 28.68, 24.51, 24.33; Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{33} \mathrm{H}_{43} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ (593.31): C, 66.76; H, 7.30; N, 7.08\%; Found: C, 66.75; H, 7.29; N, 7.32; ES-MS (M+H): 594.4 m/z. ane-1,2'-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-c]pyridine]-4'-carboxamide (27)


Yield $59 \%$; white solid; $[\alpha]^{25}=-52.7$ (c 1.0, $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ); IR ( $v_{\text {max }}$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-}$ ${ }^{1}$ ): $3487,3396,3289,1276,1202,1108,973,723 ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( 300 MHz , $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 8.34$ (br. s., 1 H ), $7.18-7.39$ (m, 5 H ), $5.54-5.79$ (m, 1 H ), 5.08 (d, $J=16.80 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ), 4.81 (d, $J=10.80 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ), $4.37-4.65$ (m, 3 H), 4.19-4.37 (m, 3 H), 3.76-4.03 (m, 2 H), 2.81 (dd, $J=10.35,9.75$ $\mathrm{Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.40-2.52(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.23-2.40(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.18-1.74(\mathrm{~m}, 10 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 75 MHz , $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta 174.42,169.07,139.42,135.33,128.49,127.84,126.65,115.23,109.09,80.45$, $78.05,62.76,61.86,43.81,41.97,36.66,35.02,34.1,26.81,24.45,24.3$; Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{33} \mathrm{H}_{43} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ (428.23): C, 67.27; H, 7.53; N, 6.54\%; Found: C, 67.25; H, 7.58; N, 6.52; ES-MS (M+H): $429.3 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{z}$.
(3a'S,4'R,7'S,7a'R)-N-benzyl-7'-hydroxy-5'-(pent-4-enoyl)hexahydrospiro[cyclohexane-1,2'-[1,3]dioxolo[4,5-c]pyridine]-4'-carboxamide (32)


A 50 mL round bottom flask was charged with picolinic acid (494.44 $\mathrm{mg}, 4 \mathrm{mmol}), 106(428.53 \mathrm{mg}, 1 \mathrm{mmol})$, and triphenylphosphine ( 1.049 $\mathrm{g}, 4 \mathrm{mmol}$ ). The flask was flushed with nitrogen, and THF ( 1 mL , freshly distilled) was added, and the solution cooled to $-20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for $10-15 \mathrm{~min}$. Diisopropyl azodicarboxylate (DIAD, $808.84 \mathrm{mg}, 4 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) was then added dropwise to the solution over 5 min . The temperature of the bath was maintained at -20 to $-25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 6 h and the cold bath allowed to slowly warm to ambient temperature and allowed to stir overnight:. The reaction mixture was then concentrated at reduced pressure, and the products were purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc:Hexane 15\%) to provide the picolinate ester of 106 in $82 \%$ ( 437.57 mg , ) yield. The ester so formed was then subjected to hydrolysis. A 50 mL round bottom flask was charged with $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}(20 \mathrm{~mL})$, ester ( 808.84 mg , $0.82 \mathrm{mmol})$, methanol $(280 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 6.56 \mathrm{mmol})$ and $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{OAc})_{2}(69 \mathrm{mg}, 0.41 \mathrm{mmol})$. The reaction was allowed to stir for 6 h at which point it was judged by TLC. The reaction was diluted with hexanes ( 5 mL ) and washed with disodium EDTA ( 5 mL of a 0.1 M solution). The organic layer was dried $\left(\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)$, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to white coloured solid. Flash chromatography (MeOH: $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3} 20 \%$ ) provided the 111 in $85 \%$ yield ( 298 mg ) mp 112-113 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} ;[\alpha]^{25}=+63.5\left(\mathrm{c} 1.0, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$; IR ( $\mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{max}}$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3486, 3393, 3291, 1266, 1212, 1106, 975, 726; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 8.35$ (br. s., 1 H ), $7.07-7.53$ (m, 5 H ), $5.51-5.79(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 5.08(\mathrm{~d}, J=16.80 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.81(\mathrm{~d}, J=10.50 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.35-4.66(\mathrm{~m}, 3$ H), 4.29 (s, 3 H ), $3.87-4.11$ (m, 1 H ), $3.62-3.85(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.84(\mathrm{dd}, J=13.42,7.48 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$,
2.40-2.58 (m, 2 H), 2.19-2.40(m, 2 H), 1.22-1.73 (m, 10 H ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 174.41,169.08,139.41,135.32,128.47,127.85,126.63,115.25,109.11,80.43,78.07$, $62.75,61.89,43.82,41.98,36.64,35.05,34.12,26.79,24.44,24.31$; Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{33} \mathrm{H}_{43} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}_{7}$ (428.23): C, 67.27; H, 7.53; N, 6.54\%; Found: C, 67.29; H, 7.51; N, 6.53; ES-MS (M+H): $429.3 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{z}$.

## General method for the synthesis of 28 and 33

To a solution ketal ( 1 mmol ) in acetonitrile ( 3 ml ) in a polypropylene vessel was added, Pyridinium poly(hydrogen fluoride) PPHF ( 3 mmol ) at room temperature and the mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 15 min . After addition of an adequate quantity of solid $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ (slightly exothermic) to neutralize briefly, the mixture was stirred for about 5 minutes and transferred into a separatory funnel using ethyl ether. The resultant organic layer was treated successively with a saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ solution, $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, and a saturated NaCl solution, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$, and concentrated to give diol in excellent yield. The diols were directly subjected to benylation without purification. To a cooled $\left(0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ hexane-washed suspension of NaH ( $2.1 \mathrm{mmol}, 60 \%$ suspension in oil) was dropwise added substrate ( 1 mmol ) in THF ( 15 mL ). After bringing the mixture to room temperature and stirring for 10 min , the mixture was cooled to $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, and $\mathrm{BnBr}\left(2.4 \mathrm{mmol}\right.$, and $\mathrm{Bu}_{4} \mathrm{NI}$ (cat.) were added. The mixture was brought to room temperature and stirred for an additional 5 h . The reaction was quenched with aqueous saturated $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$, and the mixture was concentrated in vacuo and extracted with EtOAc. The organic extract was washed with water and brine and then dried. Solvent removal followed by column chromatography (silica gel, $5 \% \mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{hexane}$ ) of the residue furnished benzylated product 107 and $\mathbf{1 1 2}$.
( $2 R, 3 S, 4 R, 5 R$ )-N-benzyl-3,4,5-tris(benzyloxy)-1-(pent-4-enoyl)piperidine-2carboxamide (28)


Yield $81 \%$; glassy liquid; $[\alpha]^{25}=-14.2\left(\mathrm{c} 1.2, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$; $\operatorname{IR}\left(v_{\text {max }}\right.$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3439, 3336, 1679, 1625, 1277, 1095, 965, 732; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR (300 $\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 8.34$ (br. s., 1 H), 7.15-7.39 (m, 20 H), 5.49-5.83 (m, $1 \mathrm{H}), 5.01-5.19(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.70-4.86(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.22-4.69(\mathrm{~m}, 9 \mathrm{H})$, 3.92-4.15 (m, 2 H), 3.75 (br. s., 1 H), 2.66-2.86 (m, 1 H), 2.38-2.54 (m, 2 H ), 2.21-2.38 (m, 2 H ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 178.00,171.83,141.43,140.23$, $139.36,137.34,130.57,130.5,130.43,130.3,129.85,129.79,129.72,129.59,128.68,117.23$, $78.69,78.06,76.62,75.97,73.69,73.58,65.11,44.22,43.98,35.74,28.83$; Anal. calcd for
$\mathrm{C}_{39} \mathrm{H}_{42} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}(618.31)$ : C, $75.70 ; \mathrm{H}, 6.84$; N, 4.53\%; Found: C, 75.73; H, 6.82; N, 4.51; ES-MS $(\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}): 619.3 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{z}$.

## (2R,3S,4R,5S)-N-benzyl-3,4,5-tris(benzyloxy)-1-(pent-4-enoyl)piperidine-2carboxamide (33)



Yield $84 \%$; glassy liquid; $[\alpha]^{25}=-58.6$ (c 1.2, $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ); IR ( $\mathrm{v}_{\text {max }}$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3441, 3337, 1681, 1627, 1276, 1094, 964, 731; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR (300 $\mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 8.34$ (br. s., 1 H ), 7.12-7.45 (m, 20 H ), 5.54-5.81 (m, $1 \mathrm{H}), 5.08$ (d, $J=16.48 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ), 4.69-4.90 (m, 2 H), 4.54-4.69 (m, 1 H), 4.22-4.54(m, 7 H), 3.94-4.11(m, 2 H), 3.58-3.76(m, 1 H), 2.68-2.89(m, 1 H), 2.38 $-2.57(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.17-2.38(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 178.03,171.82,141.42$, $140.26,139.39,137.32,130.56,130.53,130.41,130.29,129.86,129.81,129.69$, 129.62, 128.67, 117.26, 78.72, 78.12, 76.60, 75.96, 73.70, 73.57, 65.15, 44.21, 43.96, 35.77, 28.88; Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{39} \mathrm{H}_{42} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{5}$ (618.31): C, 75.70; H, 6.84; N, 4.53\%; Found: C, 75.74; H, 6.88; N, 4.50; ES-MS (M+H): $619.3 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{z}$.

## General method for the synthesis of 29 and 34

The bis amide ( 1 mmol ) was dissolved in THF ( 4 mL ), and an equal volume of $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(4 \mathrm{~mL})$ was added subsequently, resulting in a cloudy suspension. Additional organic solvent (THF) was then added slowly until the turbid solution became clear. The reaction mixture was treated with $\mathrm{I}_{2}(3 \mathrm{mmol})$ and allowed to stir until completion which was monitored by tlc. The reaction was quenched with solid $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{~S}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ (disappearance of brown color) and the mixture concentrated. The crude material was dissolved in $\mathrm{CHC1}_{3}(10 \mathrm{~mL})$ and washed with brine. The organic phase was dried $\left(\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)$, filtered, concentrated, and chromatographed $(\mathrm{MeOH}$ : $\mathrm{CHCl} 320 \%$ ) to afford the desired mono amide.
(2R,3S,4R,5R)-N-benzyl-3,4,5-tris(benzyloxy)piperidine-2-carboxamide (29)


Yield $76 \%$; light yellow viscous oil; $[\alpha]^{25}=+22.4\left(\mathrm{c} 0.8, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right)$; IR $\left(v_{\max }\right.$, Neat, $\left.\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right): 3412,3325,3198,2863,1645,1610,1298,974$, 763; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 7.73$ (br., s, 1 H ), 7.18 - 7.40 (m, $20 \mathrm{H}), 4.35-4.71(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 3.67-3.88(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.44-3.58(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, 3.25-3.39(m, 1 H), 2.84-3.03(m, 1 H$), 2.70$ (br. s., 1 H ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta$ 171.72, 138.21, 137.97, 137.82, 137.13, 128.54, 128.46, 128.39, 128.27, 127.76, 127.68, $127.55,127.47,126.64,76.77,76.36,74.39,72.36,71.9,61.08,48.09,43.22$; Anal. calcd for
$\mathrm{C}_{34} \mathrm{H}_{36} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4}$ (536.27): C, 76.09; H, 6.76; N, 5.22\%; Found: C, 76.11; H, 6.78; N, 5.23; ES-MS $(\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}): 537.4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{z}$.
(2R,3S,4R,5S)-N-benzyl-3,4,5-tris(benzyloxy)piperidine-2-carboxamide (34)



Yield $78 \%$; light yellow viscous oil; $[\alpha]^{25}=-112.6$ (c $0.8, \mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ); IR ( $v_{\max }$, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3414, 3326, 3203, 2868, 1649, 1613, 1292, 976 , 765; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $300 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 7.74$ (br. s., 1 H ), 7.15 - 7.43 (m, 20 H ), 4.56-4.73(m, 2H), 4.37-4.56(m, 6H), 3.77-4.03(m, 1H), 3.70 (dd, $J=4.05,1.35 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ), 3.45-3.65 (m, 2 H), 3.25-3.39 (m, 1 H), 2.86-3.02 (m, 1 H), 2.68 (br. s., 1 H ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta$ 171.74, 138.20, 137.96, 137.79, 137.17, 128.52, 128.44, 128.32, 128.29, 127.81, 127.56, 127.45, 127.39, 126.71, 76.76, 76.41, 74.36, 72.32, 71.98, 61.15, 48.11, 43.21; Anal. calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{34} \mathrm{H}_{36} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{4}$ (536.27): C, 76.09; H, 6.76; N, 5.22\%; Found: C, 76.08; H, 6.77; N, 5.23; ES-MS (M+H): $537.4 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{z}$.

## General method for the synthesis of 30 and 35

To a $50-\mathrm{mL}$ round-bottom flask equipped with a septum was added the amide ( $2.0 \mathrm{mmol}, 1.0$ equiv). The amide was diluted with 8 mL of anhydrous dichloromethane $(0.25 \mathrm{M})$ and 2 fluoropyridine ( 2.2 mmol ) was added to the solution. The solution was then cooled to $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and stirred for 5 min . Trifluoromethanesulfonic (triflic) anhydride $\left(\mathrm{Tf}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)(2.1 \mathrm{mmol})$ was added dropwise via a syringe at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and the reaction was stirred for 10 min . The solution was heated at $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ using a water/ice bath and the reaction was stirred for 10 min . Triethylsilane $\left(\mathrm{Et}_{3} \mathrm{SiH}, 2.2 \mathrm{mmol}\right)$ was added dropwise at $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and the reaction was stirred for 10 min . The solution was heated to room temperature and stirred for 5 h . Then, the septum was removed and 8 mL of an aqueous solution of citric acid $[0.08 \mathrm{M}]$ and 8 mL of THF were added to the flask. A reflux condenser was installed on the flask and the reaction was then heated to $45{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and stirred for 2 h . The biphasic mixture was transferred to a separation funnel and the layers were separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane (2x) and the organic layers were combined. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate $\left(\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)$, filtered over a sintered funnel and evaporated to dryness to give crude aldehyde. The obtained crude aldehyde was then subjected to hydrogenation without purification.

## General method for the synthesis of 31 and 36

A solution of aldehyde ( 1 mmol ) and $10 \% \mathrm{Pd} / \mathrm{C}(0.0625 \mathrm{~g})$ in $\mathrm{MeOH}(20 \mathrm{~mL})$ was stirred under an $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ atmosphere at 100 psi for 10 h at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The catalyst was filtered through a pad of Celite 545. Solvent evaporation afforded isomers of DNJ.
(2S,3S,4R,5S)-2-(hydroxymethyl)piperidine-3,4,5-triol (1,5-dideoxy-1,5-imino-D-altritol) (altro-DNJ, 88)


Yield 95\%; semisolid; $[\alpha]^{25}=-7.2$ (c $0.5, \mathrm{MeOH}$ ); IR ( $v$ max, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-}$ ${ }^{1}$ ): $3515,1046,715 ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ): $\delta 3.69-3.98$ (m, 1 H ), 3.40-3.69 (m, 3 H), 3.14 (br. s., 1 H), 2.75-3.00 ( $2 \mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ), 2.40-2.70 ( $2 \mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}$ ); ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( $75 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{D} 2 \mathrm{O}+\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 79.38,72.45,70.89$, 63.51, 60.80, 50.75; Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{NO}_{4}$ (163.08): C, 44.17; H, 8.03; N, 8.58\%; Found: C, 44.19; H, 8.02; N, 8.61; ES-MS (M+Na): 186.1 m/z.
( $2 S, 3 S, 4 R, 5 R$ )-2-(hydroxymethyl)piperidine-3,4,5-triol (1,5-dideoxy-1,5-imino-d-allitol) (allo-DNJ, 90)


Yield $96 \%$; semisolid; $[\alpha]^{25}=+34.5 .0\left(c=1, \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)$; IR ( $v$ max, Neat, $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3518, 1052, 718; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR (400 MHz, D2O): $\delta 3.71$ - 4.06 (m, 1 H), 3.49-3.71 (m, 2 H), 3.31-3.49 (m, 1 H), 3.14 (br. s., 1 H ), 2.89 (d, J=9.20 Hz, 1 H ), $2.42-2.71(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}) ;{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR ( 75 MHz , $\mathrm{D} 2 \mathrm{O}+\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta 78.96,72.47,70.44,63.54,60.83,50.78$; Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{NO}_{4}(163.08)$ : C, 44.17; H, 8.03; N, 8.58\%; Found: C, 44.18; H, 8.05; N, 8.59; ES-MS (M+Na): 186.1 m/z.





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${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR Spectra of 24



${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR Spectra of 26a

${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR Spectra of 26c



${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR Spectra of $\mathbf{2 6 f}$


${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR Spectra of $\mathbf{2 6 j}$

${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR Spectra of 27

${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR Spectra of 28

${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR Spectra of 29


${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra of altro-DNJ (36)




