

# Direct enantio- and diastereoselective Mannich reactions of malonate and $\beta$ -keto esters with *N*-Boc and *N*-Cbz aldimines catalysed by a bifunctional cinchonine derivative

A. Louise Tillman<sup>a</sup>, Jinxing Ye<sup>b</sup> and Darren J. Dixon<sup>b\*</sup>

<sup>a</sup> University Chemical Laboratories, University of Cambridge, Lensfield Road, Cambridge.  
CB2 1EW. UK.

<sup>b</sup> School of Chemistry, The University of Manchester, Oxford Road, Manchester. M13 9PL. UK;  
Tel: +44 (0) 161 275 1426; E-mail: darren.dixon@manchester.ac.uk.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

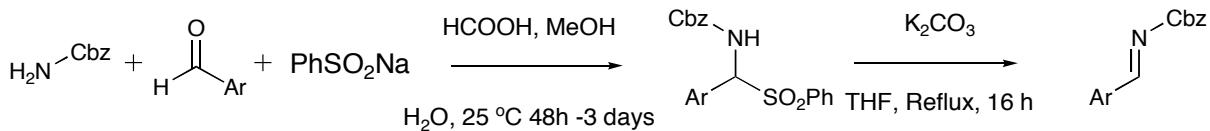
### General experimental

Melting points were recorded on a Gallenkamp melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Optical rotations were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 241 Polarimeter and  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  are given in  $10^{-1}$  deg ml / g, concentrations are given in g / 100 ml. IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer Spectrum 1 FTIR with an ATR sampling accessory as neat films or compressed solids; only selected absorbances are quoted. HRMS was recorded on Finnigan MAT 900XLT or a Finnigan MAT 95XP at the EPSRC National Mass Spectrometry Service.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz on a Brucker DRX 400 spectrometer at 300 K unless otherwise stated against an internal deuterium lock and are reported ( $\delta_{\text{H}} \pm 0.01$ ) / ppm (number of protons, multiplicity, coupling constant ( $J \pm 0.1$ ) / Hz, assignment).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra were recorded on the same instrument at 100 MHz with broadband proton decoupling and are quoted ( $\delta_{\text{C}} \pm 0.1$ ) / ppm (assignment).

Flash column chromatography was performed on 9385 silica gel unless otherwise stated. Chiral HPLC analysis was performed on a Hewlett-Packard Series 1090 liquid chromatograph and retention times (r.t.) are given from the solvent front. THF was distilled from calcium hydride, lithium aluminium hydride with triphenylmethane indicator. Chloroform and deuterated chloroform were distilled from  $\text{CaCl}_2$ . All other reagents and solvents were used as provided without purification.

*N*-Boc imines were prepared by the method reported by Jacobsen.<sup>1</sup>

**General two-step procedure for the synthesis of *N*-Cbz aryl aldimines 4<sup>1</sup> and 17**



To a rapidly stirred suspension of benzyl carbamate (4.65 g, 0.031 mol) and benzenesulfinic acid sodium salt (10.18 g, 0.062 mol) in methanol / water (30 mL / 60 mL) was added aldehyde (4.78 mL, 0.047 mol) in one portion, followed by formic acid (4.7 mL). The reaction mixture was vigorously stirred for three days and then filtered. The resulting white solid was filtered and washed with water (50 mL) and ether (50 mL) and then dried *in vacuo* to yield clean *sulphone* that was then used without further purification in the next step

**Benzenesulfonyl-phenylmethyl-carbamic acid benzyl ester**

11.45 g, 0.03 mmol, 97%, from benzaldehyde as a white solid. IR (film) /  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3330$  (N-H), 1694 (C=O<sub>carbamate</sub>), 1519 (Ar), 1494 (Ar), 1308 (SO<sub>2</sub> <sub>asymm</sub>), 1142 (SO<sub>2</sub> <sub>symm</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  7.83 (2H, d, *J* 7.6, SO<sub>2</sub>Ph<sub>ortho</sub>), 7.60 (1H, t, *J* 7.5, SO<sub>2</sub>Ph<sub>para</sub>), 7.45-7.32 (10H, m, Ar), 7.23-7.25 (2H, m, Ar), 6.22 (1H, d, *J* 10.7, NH), 5.98 (1H, d, *J* 10.7, CHNH), 4.95 (1H, d, *J* 12.1, CO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 4.91 (1H, d, *J* 12.1, CO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  154.7 (CO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 136.5 (**C**, Ar), 135.5 (**C**, Ar), 134.1 (**CH**, Ar), 129.9 (**CH**, Ar), 129.8 (**C**, Ar), 129.4

(CH, Ar), 129.0 (CH, Ar), 128.8 (CH, Ar), 128.8 (CH, Ar), 128.6 (CH, Ar), 128.4 (CH, Ar), 128.2 (CH, Ar), 74.6 (NHCH), 67.7 (CO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>).

### Step 2

Anhydrous potassium carbonate (3.17 g, 22.8 mmol, 6.00 equiv) was placed under vacuum and flame-dried. Once cool, sulphone (3.8 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added under nitrogen, followed by tetrahydrofuran (42 mL). The reaction mixture was refluxed for 15 hours and then cooled to ambient temperature. The solids were removed via filtration through a fine, glass sinter and the filtrate was concentrated *in vacuo* to yield essentially pure imine **4** in quantitative yield:

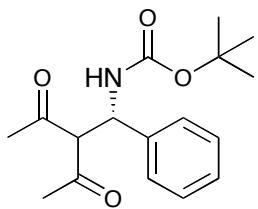
### **Benzylidene-carbamic acid benzyl ester 4**

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> 8.79 (1H, s, PhCHN), 7.77-7.76 (2H, m, Ph), 7.43-7.39 (1H, m, Ph), 7.33-7.30 (4H, m, Ph), 7.26-7.20 (3H, m, Ph), 5.18 (1H, s, PhCH<sub>2</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (125 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>C</sub> 171.7 (NCO<sub>2</sub>), 164.1 (PhCN), 135.8 (CH, Ph), 134.4 (CH, Ph), 134.4 (CH, Ph), 134.3 (CH, Ph), 131.0 (CH, Ph), 130.7 (CH, Ph), 129.4 (CH, Ph), 129.0 (CH, Ph), 69.3 (CO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>).

### **General procedure for the addition of 1,3-dicarbonyls to N-acyl imines**

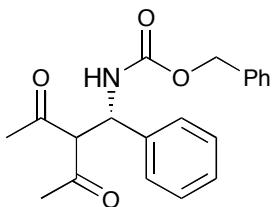
To a solution of imine (0.1 mmol, 1 eq) and catalyst **1** (5.6 mg, 0.01 mmol, 0.1 eq) in toluene (0.4 mL) at -78 °C was added 1,3-dicarbonyl (0.4 mmol, 4 eq). After three days the reaction was observed to have gone to completion, volatiles were removed *in vacuo* and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography eluting with hexane / acetone (100 / 1 to 3 / 1). This method was used to prepare:

**2-Acetyl-3-oxo-1-phenylbutylcarbamic acid *tert*-butyl ester 6<sup>2</sup>**



31 mg, 0.10 mmol, 100% from benzaldehyde *N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)imine **3** and acetyl acetone **2** as a white solid. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL OG, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 11.96 (4263.33 mAu s), 13.73 min (413.97 mAu s) gives 82% ee; Mpt. 171 - 173 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  -26.22 (*c* 0.45, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  7.34-7.22 (5H, m, Ph), 5.77 (1H, s, br, NH), 5.29 (1H, s, br, NHCH), 4.20 (1H, d, *J* 5.9, NHCHCH), 2.18 (3H, s, CH(COCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 2.11 (3H, s, CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 1.39 (9H, s, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

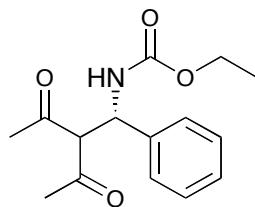
**2-Acetyl-3-oxo-1-phenylbutylcarbamic acid benzyl ester 7**



25 mg, 0.07 mmol, 73% from benzaldehyde *N*-(benzyloxycarbonyl)imine **4** and acetyl acetone **2** as a white solid. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL OG, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 13.73 (3248.8 mAu s), 15.94 min (92.24 mAu s) gives 86% ee; Mpt. 100 - 101 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  +3.05 (*c* 0.95, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (film) / cm<sup>-1</sup>  $\nu_{max}$  = 3327 (br, N-H), 1697 (C=O), 1603 (Ar), 1497 (Ar); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  7.39-7.23 (10H, m, Ar), 6.09 (1H, s, br, NH), 5.54 (1H, s, br, CHNH), 5.07 (2H, s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.24 (1H, d, *J* 5.4, NHCHCH), 2.17 (3H, s, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 2.10 (3H, s, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  204.3 (CH(COCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 202.1 (CH(COCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 155.8 (COOCH<sub>2</sub>),

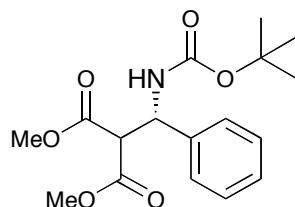
139.4 (NHCHC, Ar), 136.1 (OCH<sub>2</sub>C), 128.8 (CH, Ar), 128.4 (CH, Ar), 128.1 (CH, Ar), 127.9 (CH, Ar), 127.8 (CH, Ar), 126.3 (CH, Ar), 71.5 (CHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 67.1 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 54.3 (NHCH), 30.5 ((CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 30.0((CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>); m/z (ESI-NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>) 357.1807; C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> requires 357.1809.

**2-Acetyl-3-oxo-1-phenyl-butylcarbamic acid ethyl ester 8**



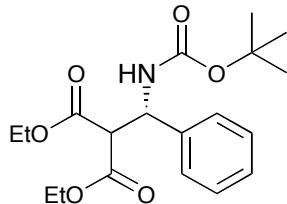
29 mg, 0.1 mmol, 100% from benzaldehyde *N*-(ethoxycarbonyl)imine **5** and acetyl acetone **2** as a white solid. Mpt. 87 - 88 °C; [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> -6.50 (c 1.17, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (film) / cm<sup>-1</sup>  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  = 3321 (br, N-H), 1697 (C=O), 1603 (Ar), 1506 (Ar); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> 7.35-7.22 (5H, m, Ar), 5.95 (1H, s, br, NH), 5.51 (1H, s, br, CHNH), 4.22 (1H, d, J 6.7, NHCHCH), 4.07 (1H, q, J 7.1, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.18 (3H, s, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 2.11 (3H, s, (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 1.20 (3H, t, J 7.1, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>C</sub> 204.4 (CH(COCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 202.2 (CH(COCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 156.0 (COOCH<sub>2</sub>), 139.6 (NHCHC, Ar), 128.9 (NHCHCC, Ar), 127.8 (NHCHCCHCHC, Ar), 126.4 (NHCHCCHCH, Ar), 71.5 (CHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 67.1 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 54.2 (NHCH), 30.5 ((CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 30.0((CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 14.6 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>); m/z (ESI-NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>) 295.1654; C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> requires 295.1652.

**2-(tert-Butoxycarbonylamino-phenyl-methyl)-malonic acid dimethyl ester 12**



34 mg, 0.1 mmol, 100% from benzaldehyde *N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)imine **3** and dimethyl malonate **9** as a white solid. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL AD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 18.52 (14748.1 mAu s), 28.44 min (853.36 mAu s) gives 89% ee; Mpt. 89 - 90 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} +17.0$  (*c* 1.14, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (film) / cm<sup>-1</sup>  $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3377$  (br, N-H), 1736 (C=O<sub>ester</sub>), 1717 (C=O<sub>carbamate</sub>), 1603 (Ar), 1497 (Ar) ; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  7.34-7.22 (5H, m, Ar), 6.13 (1H, s, br, NH), 5.48 (1H, s, br, CHNH), 3.92 (1H, d, *J* 3.0, NHCHCH), 3.74 (3H, s, O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>) 3.64 (3H, s, O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 1.42 (9H, s, br, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$  168.8 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 167.5 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 155.1 (COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 139.1 (NHCHC, Ar), 128.6 (CCHCH, Ar), 127.6 (CCHCHCH, Ar), 126.2 (CC H, Ar), 79.8 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 56.7 (NHCHCH), 53.3 (NHCH), 52.8 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 52.5 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 28.3 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>); *m/z* (ESI-H<sup>+</sup>) 338.1594; C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NO<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> requires 338.1598.

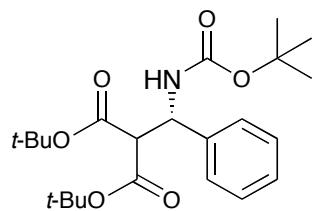
### 2-(*tert*-Butoxycarbonylamino-phenyl-methyl)-malonic acid diethyl ester **13**



35 mg, 0.096 mmol, 96% from benzaldehyde *N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)imine **3** and diethyl malonate **10** as a white solid. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL AD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 14.03 min (7687.93 mAu s), 16.74 min (937.56 mAu s) gives 78% ee; Mpt. = 52 – 53 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +10.0$  (*c* = 0.74, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (film) / cm<sup>-1</sup>  $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3426$  (br, N-H), 1718 (C=O), 1496 (Ar) ; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  7.33-7.28 (4H, m, Ph<sub>ortho+meta</sub>), 7.23 (1H, m, Ph<sub>para</sub>), 6.18 (1H, s, br, NH), 5.49 (1H, s, br, CHNH), 4.19 (2H, dq, *J* 10.2, 7.1, (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 4.08 (2H, dq, *J* 14.0, 7.1, (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 3.88 (1H, d, *J* 3.6, NHCHCH), 1.41 (9H, s, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.26 (3H, t, *J* 7.1, (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 1.13 (3H, t, *J* 7.1, (OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_C$

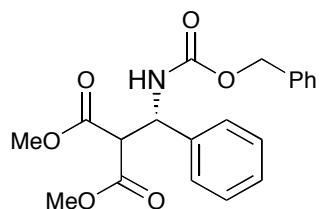
168.0 (CH(**COOCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>**)<sub>A</sub>), 167.1 (CH(**COOCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>**)<sub>B</sub>), 155.0 (**COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>**), 139.6 (NHCH**C**, Ar), 128.4 (CCH**CH**, Ar), 127.4 (CCHCH**CH**, Ar), 126.2 (C**CH**, Ar), 79.6 (**COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>**), 61.9 (O(**CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>**)<sub>A</sub>), 61.5 (O(**CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>**)<sub>B</sub>), 56.9 (NHCH**CH**), 53.7 (**NHC**H), 27.7 (C(**CH<sub>3</sub>**)<sub>3</sub>), 14.0 (O(CH<sub>2</sub>**CH<sub>3</sub>**)<sub>A</sub>), 13.8 (O(CH<sub>2</sub>**CH<sub>3</sub>**)<sub>B</sub>); m/z (ESI-NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>) 383.2180; C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>31</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> requires 383.2177;.

**2-(tert-Butoxycarbonylamino-phenyl-methyl)-malonic acid di-tert-butyl ester 14**



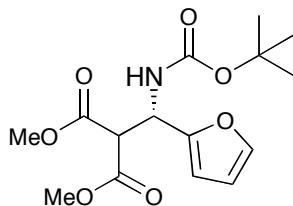
35 mg, 0.096 mmol, 96% from benzaldehyde *N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)imine **3** and di-*tert*-butyl malonate **11** as a white solid. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL AD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 9.04 min (8425.35 mAυ s), 17.88 min (9776.03 mAυ s) gives 7% ee; Mpt. = 60 – 61 °C; [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = +0.94 (c = 0.96, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (film) / cm<sup>-1</sup>  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  = 3426 (br, N-H), 1717 (C=O), 1497 (Ar); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> 7.30-7.26 (4H, m, Ph<sub>ortho+meta</sub>), 7.25-7.20 (1H, m, Ph<sub>para</sub>), 6.25 (1H, s, br, NH), 5.40 (1H, s, br, CHNH), 3.71 (1H, d, *J* 3.9, NHCHCH), 1.45 (9H, s, CH(COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 1.42 (9H, s, NHCOOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 1.41 (9H, s, CH(COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>C</sub> 167.6 (CH(**COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>**)<sub>A</sub>), 166.5 (CH(**COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>**)<sub>B</sub>), 155.0 (NHCOOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 140.1 (NHCH**C**, Ar), 128.3 (CCH**CH**, Ar), 127.3 (CCHCH**CH**, Ar), 126.3 (C**CH**, Ar), 82.6 (CH(COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 82.3 (CH(COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 79.3 (NHCOOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 58.5 (NHCHCH), 53.5 (**NHC**H), 28.4 (CH(COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 27.8 (CH(COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 27.7 (NHCOOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>); m/z (ESI-NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>) 439.2799; C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>39</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> requires 439.2803.

**2-(Benzylloxycarbonylamino-phenyl-methyl)-malonic acid dimethyl ester 15**



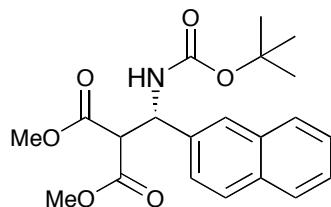
32 mg, 0.086 mmol, 86% from benzaldehyde *N*-(benzylloxycarbonyl)imine **4** and dimethyl malonate **9** as a white solid. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL AD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 21.06 (55676.8 mAu s), 31.14 min (2370.80 mAu s) gives 92% ee; Mpt. 69 - 70 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} +9.4$  (*c* 1.0, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (film) / cm<sup>-1</sup>  $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3324$  (br, N-H), 1734 (C=O), 1498 (Ar); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  7.36-7.27 (10H, m, Ar), 6.44 (1H, d, *J* 7.4, NH), 5.55 (1H, dd, *J* 7.4, 3.4, NHCH), 5.12 (1H, d, *J* 12.2, COOCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 5.08 (1H, d, *J* 12.2, COOCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 3.94 (1H, d, *J* 3.4, NHCHCH), 3.70 (3H, s, O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>) 3.63 (3H, s, O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  168.3 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 167.3 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 155.7 (COOCH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 139.0 (NHCHC, Ar), 136.4 (OCH<sub>2</sub>C, Ar), 128.7 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CCHCH, Ar), 128.5 (NHCHCCHCH, Ar), 128.5 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CCHCHCH, Ar), 128.1 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CCH, Ar), 127.8 (NHCHCCHCHCH, Ar), 126.2 (NHCHCCH, Ar), 66.9 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 56.5 (NHCHCH), 54.0 (NHCH), 52.9 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 52.6 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>); *m/z* (ESI-H<sup>+</sup>) 372.1454; C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> requires 372.1447.

**2-(tert-Butoxycarbonylamino-furan-2-yl-methyl)-malonic acid dimethyl ester 18a**



31 mg, 0.095 mmol, 95% from 2-furanaldehyde *N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)imine **16a** and dimethyl malonate **9** as a colourless oil. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL AD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 11.91 min (40471.7 mAu s), 18.1 min (1171.37 mAu s) gives 94% ee;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +3.0$  ( $c = 0.83$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); IR (film) /  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3423$  (br, N-H), 1720 (C=O), 1497 (Ar);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz;  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  7.31 (1H, d,  $J$  1.8, COCHCHCH), 6.29 (1H, dd,  $J$  3.2, 1.8, COCHCHCH), 6.22 (1H, d,  $J$  3.2, COCHCHCH), 5.83 (1H, s, br, NH), 5.53 (1H, d  $J$  4.5, NHCH), 4.04 (1H, d,  $J$  4.5, NHCHCH), 3.75 (3H, s, O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 3.72 (3H, s, O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 1.44 (9H, s, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz;  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  168.2 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 167.3 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 155.0 (COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 152.2 (OCCHCHCH), 142.1 (OCCHCHCH), 110.5 (OCCHCHCH), 106.7 (OCCHCHCH), 80.0 (COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 54.1 (NHCHCH), 52.9 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 52.6 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 48.3 (NHCH), 28.3 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>);  $m/z$  (ESI-H<sup>+</sup>) 328.1406;  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_7^+$  requires 328.1396.

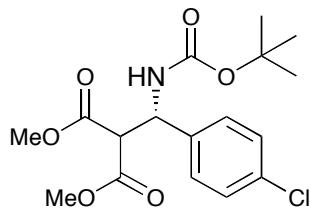
**2-(*tert*-Butoxycarbonylamino-naphthalen-2-yl-methyl)-malonic acid dimethyl ester 18b**



33 mg, 0.085 mmol, 85% from 2-naphthaldehyde *N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)imine **16b** and dimethyl malonate **9** as a white solid. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL AD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 26.31 (15263.9 mAu s), 30.39 min (282.33 mAu s) gives 96% ee; Mpt. = 139 – 140 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -1.28$  ( $c = 1.1$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); IR (film) /  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3421$  (br, N-H), 1735 (C=O<sub>ester</sub>), 1717 (C=O<sub>carbamate</sub>), 1601 (Ar), 1497 (Ar);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz;  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  7.84-7.79 (3H, m, Ar), 7.76 (1H, s, NHCHCCHC), 7.50-7.44 (2H, m, Ar), 7.42 (1H, dd,  $J$  8.6, 1.8, NHCHCCCH), 6.28 (1H, s, br,

NH), 5.66 (1H, s, NHCH), 4.04 (1H, d, *J* 3.2, NHCHCH), 3.76 (3H, s, O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>) 3.61 (3H, s, O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 1.43 (9H, s, br, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>c</sub> 168.4 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 167.5 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 155.1 (COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 136.9 (NHCHC, Ar), 133.2 (NHCHCCHC, Ar), 132.8 (NHCHCCHCHC, Ar), 128.4 (NHCHCCCHCHC, Ar), 128.0 (NHCHCCHCHCCH, Ar), 127.5 (NHCHCCHCCH, Ar), 126.2 (NHCHCCHCHC, Ar), 126.0 (NHCHCCCHC, Ar), 125.1 (NHCHCCHCCHC, Ar), 124.1 (CCHCCHCHCH, Ar), 79.9 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 56.6 (NHCHCH), 53.6 (NHCH), 52.9 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 52.5 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 28.3 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>); m/z (ESI-H<sup>+</sup>) 388.1763; C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> requires 388.1760.

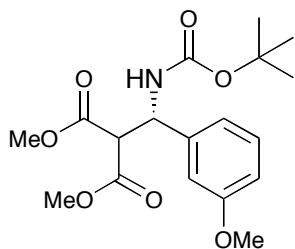
**2-[tert-Butoxycarbonylamino-(4-chloro-phenyl)-methyl]-malonic acid dimethyl ester 18c**



32 mg, 0.085 mmol, 85% from 4-chlorobenzaldehyde *N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)imine **16c** and dimethyl malonate **9** as a white solid. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL AD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 20.85 min (122.15 mA u s), 25.84 min (7756.55 mA u s) gives 97% ee; Mpt. = 88 – 89 °C; [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = +15.4 (c = 0.36, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (film) / cm<sup>-1</sup> ν<sub>max</sub> = 3417 (br, N-H), 1736 (C=O<sub>ester</sub>), 1717 (C=O<sub>carbamate</sub>), 1597 (Ar), 1492 (Ar); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub> 7.29 (2H, d, *J* 8.4, 2 x CICCHCHC), 7.23 (2H, d, *J* 8.4, 2 x CICCHCHC), 6.13 (1H, s, br, NH), 5.44 (1H, s, br, NHCH), 3.93 (1H, d, *J* 2.9 NHCHCH), 3.75 (3H, s, O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 3.65 (3H, s, O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 1.41 (9H, s, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>c</sub> 168.2 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 167.3 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 155.0 (COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 144.1 (CICCHCHC), 138.0 (CICCHCH), 128.8 (CICCHCH), 127.7 (CICCHCH), 80.0

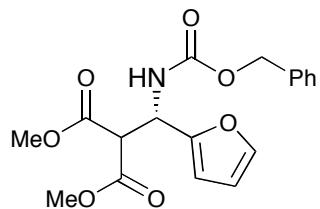
(COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 56.5 (NHCHCH), 52.9 (NHCH), 52.9 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 52.6 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 28.2 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>); m/z (ESI-H<sup>+</sup>) 372.1210; C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>Cl<sup>+</sup> requires 372.1214.

**2-[tert-Butoxycarbonylamino-(3-methoxy-phenyl)-methyl]-malonic acid dimethyl ester – 18d**



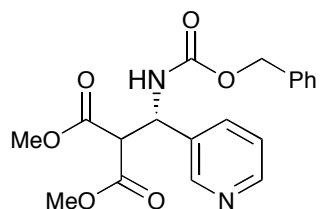
33 mg, 0.089 mmol, 89% from 3-methoxy-benzaldehyde *N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)imine **16d** and dimethyl malonate **9** as a white solid. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL AD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 31.89 (10893.5 mAυ s), 36.00 min (710.35 mAυ s) gives 88% ee; Mpt. = 79 - 80 °C; [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = +12.94 (c = 1.43, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (film) / cm<sup>-1</sup>  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  = 3414 (br, N-H), 1737 (C=O<sub>ester</sub>), 1716 (C=O<sub>carbamate</sub>), 1601 (Ar), 1587 (Ar), 1497 (Ar); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>H</sub>; 7.23 (1H, t, *J* 7.9, NHCHCCHCH), 6.85 (1H, d, *J* 7.7, NHCHCCHCH), 6.84 (1H, d, *J* 2.3, NHCHCCHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 6.79 (1H, dd, *J* 8.1, 2.3, NHCHCCHCHCH), 6.12 (1H, s, br, NH), 5.45 (1H, s, br, NHCH), 3.92 (1H, d, *J* 3.5, NHCHCH), 3.78 (3H, s, NHCHCCHCOCH<sub>3</sub>) 3.74 (3H, s, CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 3.65 (3H, s, CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 1.42 (9H, s, br, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ<sub>C</sub> 168.4 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 167.5 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 159.8 (CCHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 155.1 (COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 141.1 (NHCHC, Ar), 129.7 (NHCHCCHCH, Ar), 118.4 (NHCHCCHCH, Ar), 113.0 (CCHCOCH<sub>3</sub>, Ar), 112.1 (NHCHCCHCHCH, Ar), 79.8 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 56.6 (NHCHCH), 55.2 (CCHCOCH<sub>3</sub>), 53.4 (NHCH), 52.9 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 52.5 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 28.3 (C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>); m/z (ESI-H<sup>+</sup>) 368.1709; C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NO<sub>7</sub><sup>+</sup> requires 368.1709.

**2-(Benzylloxycarbonylamino-furan-2-yl-methyl)-malonic acid dimethyl ester  
–19a**



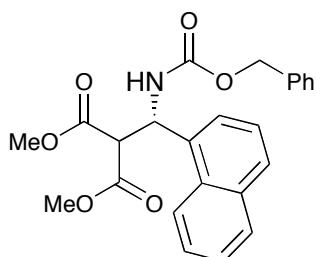
36 mg, 0.096 mmol, 96% from 2-furaldehyde *N*-(benzylloxycarbonyl)imine **17a** and dimethyl malonate **9** as a colourless oil. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL AD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 26.61 min (7055.17 mAu s), 18.1 min (122.08 mAu s) gives 97% ee;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -2.66$  ( $c = 1.24$ , CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (film) / cm<sup>-1</sup>  $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3420$  (br, N-H), 1726 (C=O), 1499 (Ar); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  7.36-7.28 (5H, m, Ar), 7.32 (1H, dd, *J* 1.8, 0.6, NHCHCOCH), 6.30 (1H, dd, *J* 3.2, 1.8, NHCHCOCHCH), 6.22 (1H, d, *J* 3.2, NHCHCCCH), 6.17 (1H, d, *J* 9.3, NH), 5.60 (1H, dd, *J* 9.3, 4.5, NHCH), 5.13 (2H, s, COOCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.05 (1H, d, *J* 4.5, NHCHCH), 3.70 (6H, s, 2 x OCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  168.1 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 167.0 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 155.7 (C OOCH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 151.7 (OCCHCHCH), 142.2 (OCHCHCH), 136.3 (OCH<sub>2</sub>C, Ar) 128.4 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CCHCH, Ar), 128.0 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CCH, Ar), 128.0 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CCHCHCH), 110.5 (OCCHCH), 106.7 (OCCH), 67.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 53.9 (NHCHCH), 52.9 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 52.7 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 48.8 (NHCH); m/z (ESI-Na<sup>+</sup>) 384.1057; C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>7</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> requires 384.1059.

**2-(Benzylloxycarbonylamino-pyridin-3-yl-methyl)-malonic acid dimethyl ester – 19b**



30 mg, 0.081 mmol, 81% from 3-pyridine carboxyaldehyde *N*-(benzyloxycarbonyl)imine **17b** and dimethyl malonate **9** as a white solid. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL AD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 20.32 (463.68 mAu s), 25.03 min (5072.91 mAu s) gives 83% ee; Mpt. = 74 - 75 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +9.33$  (c = 1.35, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (film) / cm<sup>-1</sup>  $\nu_{\text{max}}$  = 3322 (br, N-H), 1724 (C=O), 1578 (Ar), 1503 (Ar); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  8.58 (1H, s, NHCHCCHN), 8.53 (1H, d, *J* 4.0, NHCHCCHNCH), 7.65 (1H, d, *J* 7.9, NHCHCCHCH), 7.34 (5H, m, Ar), 7.25 (1H, dd, *J* 7.9, 4.0, NHCHCCHCH), 6.47 (1H, d, *J* 7.7, NH), 5.57 (1H, dd, *J* 7.7, 3.2, NHCH), 5.10 (1H, d, *J* 12.2, COOCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 5.07 (1H, d, *J* 12.2, COOCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 3.93 (1H, d, *J* 3.2, NHCHCH), 3.71 (3H, s, O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>) 3.65 (3H, s, O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  168.0 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 166.9 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 155.6 (COOC<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 149.3 (NHCHCCHN), 148.1 (NHCHCCHNCH), 136.1 (OCH<sub>2</sub>C, Ar), 134.7 (NHCHCCHN), 134.2 (NHCHCCHCH), 128.5 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CCHCH, Ar), 128.2 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CCHCHCH, Ar), 128.1 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CCH, Ar), 123.4 (NHCHCCHCH), 67.2 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 56.1 (NHCHCH), 53.1 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 52.8 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 52.1 (NHCH); m/z (ESI-H<sup>+</sup>) 373.1399; C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> requires 373.1400.

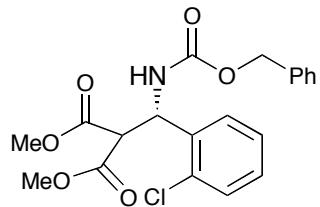
**2-(Benzylloxycarbonylamino-naphthalen-1-yl-methyl)-malonic acid dimethyl ester – 19c**



42 mg, 0.10 mmol, 100% from 1-naphthaldehyde *N*-(benzyloxycarbonyl)imine **17c** and dimethyl malonate **9** as a colourless oil. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel

CHIRALCEL AD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 30.11 (21908.8 mAu s), 36.91 min (297.56 mAu s) gives 83% ee;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +40.26$  ( $c = 1.95$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); IR (film) /  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3413$  (br, N-H), 1723 (C=O), 1600 (Ar), 1506 (Ar), 1500 (Ar);  $m/z$  (ESI- $\text{H}^+$ ) 422.1600;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz;  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  8.14 (1H, d, *J* 8.4, NHCHCCCH), 7.89 (1H, d, *J* 7.9, NHCHCCCHCHCH), 7.79 (1H, d, *J* 8.1, NHCHCCCHCH), 7.61 (1H, t, *J* 7.7, NHCHCCCHCH), 7.53 (1H, t, *J* 7.9, NHCHCCCHCH), 7.49 (d, *J* 7.5, NHCHCCCHCH), 7.43 (1H, dd, *J* 7.9, 7.5, NHCHCCCH), 7.36-7.32 (5H, m, Ar), 6.87 (1H, d, *J* 9.2, NH), 6.38 (1H, dd, *J* 9.2, 3.7, NHCH), 5.12 (1H, d, *J* 15.3, OCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 5.09 (1H, d, *J* 15.3, OCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 4.12 (1H, d, *J* 3.7, NHCHCH), 3.78 (3H, s, O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>) 3.55 (3H, s, O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz;  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  168.5 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 167.6 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 155.7 (COOCH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), 136.5 (OCH<sub>2</sub>C, Ar), 134.5 (NHCHC, Ar), 133.9 (NHCHCC, Ar), 130.0 (NHCHCC, Ar), 129.1 (NHCHCCCHCHCH, Ar), 128.6 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CCHCHCH, Ar), 128.4 (NHCHCCCHCH, Ar), 128.0 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CCHCHCH, Ar), 126.9 (CH, Ar), 126.9 (CH, Ar), 125.8 (OCH<sub>2</sub>CCH, Ar), 125.1 (NHCHCCCHCH), 123.6 (NHCHCCCHCHCH), 122.0 (NHCHCCCH, Ar), 67.0 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), 56.2 (NHCHCH), 53.1 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 52.5 (O(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 50.7 (NHCH);  $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{24}\text{NO}_6^+$  requires 422.1604.

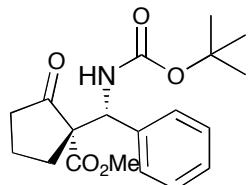
**2-(Benzylloxycarbonylamino-2-chloro-phenyl-methyl)-malonic acid dimethyl ester – 19d**



38 mg, 0.093 mmol, 93% from 2-chlorobenzaldehyde *N*-(benzylloxycarbonyl)imine **17d** and dimethyl malonate **9** as a colourless oil Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL AD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 17.20 (23.20 mAu s), 23.28

min (938.18 mAυ s) gives 97% ee;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +32.60$  ( $c = 1.31$ ,  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ); IR (film) /  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3416$  (br, N-H), 1726 (C=O), 1601 (Ar), 1587 (Ar), 1499 (Ar);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz;  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  7.38-7.30 (6H, m, Ar), 7.25-7.20 (3H, m, Ar), 6.70 (1H, d,  $J$  8.8, NH), 5.86 (1H, dd,  $J$  8.8, 4.1, NHCH), 5.12 (1H, d,  $J$  12.5,  $\text{OCH}_A\text{H}_B\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ ), 5.07 (1H, d,  $J$  12.5,  $\text{OCH}_A\text{H}_B\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ ), 4.15 (1H, d,  $J$  4.1, NHCHCH), 3.73 (3H, s, CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 3.60 (3H, s, CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz;  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  168.5 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 167.3 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 155.5 ( $\text{COOCH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ ), 136.3 (**C**, Ar), 136.2 (**C**, Ar), 132.4 (**C**, Ar), 129.9 (**CH**, Ar), 129.2 (**CH**, Ar), 129.5 (**CH**, Ar), 128.1 (**CH**, Ar), 128.1 (**CH**, Ar), 127.8 (**CH**, Ar), 127.0 (**CH**, Ar), 66.9 ( $\text{OCH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ ), 53.6 (NHCH), 52.9 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>A</sub>), 52.5 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>B</sub>), 51.6 (CH(COOCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>);  $m/z$  (ESI-H<sup>+</sup>) 406.0982;  $\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{21}\text{ClNO}_6^+$  requires 406.0979.

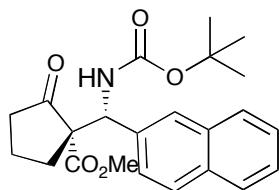
**1-(tert-Butoxycarbonylaminophenylmethyl)-2-oxocyclopentanecarboxylic acid methyl ester 21a -Major diastereomer**



24.3 mg, 0.07 mmol, 70% from *N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)imine **3** and methyl cyclopentanone carboxylate **20** as a white solid. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL AD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (98 / 2, 0.8 ml / min), retention times of major diastereomer 12.82 (27411.0 mAυ s), 14.96 min (2315.16 mAυ s) gives 85% ee; Mpt. 64 - 66 °C; IR (film) /  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   $\nu_{\text{max}} = 3387$  (br, N-H), 1753 (C=O<sub>ester</sub>) 1716 (C=O<sub>ketone</sub>), 1700 (C=O<sub>carbamate</sub>), 1496 (Ar);  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz;  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  7.30–7.29 (4H, m, Ph<sub>ortho+meta</sub>), 7.25-7.23 (1H, m, Ph<sub>para</sub>), 6.71 (1H, s, br, NH), 5.33 (1H, d,  $J$  9.4, NHCH), 3.65 (3H, s, COOCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.57-2.52 (1H, m, CCOCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 2.21 (1H, ddd,  $J$  18.5, 8.7, 5.9, CCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 2.05 (1H, dt,  $J$ , 13.8, 7.7, COCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 1.88 (1H, dt,  $J$  18.5, 8.4, CCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 1.80-1.71 (1H, m, COCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 1.6-1.45 (1H, m, COCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz; d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO,

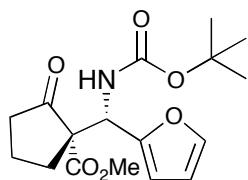
120 °C):  $\delta_c$  211.2 (CCOCH<sub>2</sub>), 169.5 (CCOOCH<sub>3</sub>), 155.2 (COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 139.7 (**C**, Ph<sub>ipso</sub>), 128.5 (**CH**, Ph), 128.3 (**CH**, Ph), 127.7 (**CH**, Ph<sub>para</sub>), 79.0 (OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 65.8 (NHCHCCO), 57.4 (NHCH), 52.6 (CCOOCH<sub>3</sub>), 38.1 (CCOCH<sub>2</sub>), 29.2 (CCH<sub>2</sub>), 28.7 (OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 19.0 (COCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>); m/z (ESI-Na<sup>+</sup>) 370.1628; C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> requires 370.1630.

**1-(tert-Butoxycarbonylamino-naphthalen-2yl)-2-oxocyclopentane carboxylic acid methyl ester 21b -Major diastereomer**



66 mg, 0.166 mmol, 83% from 2-naphthaldehyde *N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)imine **16b** and methyl cyclopentanone carboxylate **20** as a white solid. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL AD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (98 / 2, 0.8 ml / min), retention times of major diastereomer 12.12 (8494 mA s), 37.70 min (119483 mA s) gives 87% ee; Mpt. 139 - 140 °C; IR (film) / cm<sup>-1</sup>  $\nu_{max}$  = 3444 (br, N-H), 1751 (C=O<sub>ester</sub>) 1714 (C=O<sub>ketone</sub>), 1698 (C=O<sub>carbamate</sub>), 1494 (Ar); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  7.81-7.75 (4H, m, Ar), 7.49-7.43 (3H, m, Ar), 6.07 (1H, s, br, NH), 5.38 (1H, d, *J* 9.3, NHCH), 3.68 (3H, s, COOCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.54 (1H, dt, *J* 13.5, 6.8, CCOCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 2.36-2.28 (2H, m, CCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.06 (1H, dt, *J*, 13.5, 6.9, COCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 2.00-1.89 (2H, m, COCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_c$  210.9 (CCOCH<sub>2</sub>), 169.9 (CCOOCH<sub>3</sub>), 155.3 (COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 135.8 (NHCHCCO), 133.0 (**C**, Ar), 132.8 (**C**, Ar), 128.1 (**CH**, Ar), 128.0 (**CH**, Ar), 127.4 (**CH**, Ar), 127.3 (**CH**, Ar), 126.1 (**CH**, Ar), 126.1 (**CH**, Ar), 125.7 (**CH**, Ar), 79.9 (OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 65.0 (NHCHCCO), 56.0 (NHCH), 52.7 (CCOOCH<sub>3</sub>), 37.6 (CCOCH<sub>2</sub>), 30.8 (CCH<sub>2</sub>), 28.3 (OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 18.8 (COCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>); m/z (ESI-H<sup>+</sup>) 397.1886; C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>28</sub>NO<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup> requires 397.1889.

**1-(tert-Butoxycarbonylamino-furan-2-yl-methyl)-2-oxocyclopentane  
carboxylic acid methyl ester 21c -Major diastereomer**

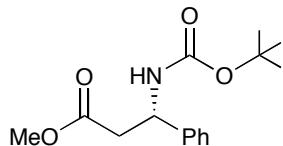


65 mg, 0.194 mmol, 97% from 2-furaldehyde *N*-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)imine **16a** and methyl cyclopentanone carboxylate **20** as a colourless oil. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL AD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times of major diastereomer 12.04 (708.82 mAu s), 19.13 min (8354.13 mAu s) gives 84% ee; Mpt 64 - 66 °C; IR (film) /  $\text{cm}^{-1}$   $\nu_{\text{max}} =$  3377 (br, N-H), 1753 (C=O<sub>ester</sub>) 1725 (C=O<sub>ketone+carbamate</sub>), 1494 (Ar); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  7.29 (1H, dd, *J* 1.8, 1.0, NHCHCOCH), 6.28 (1H, dd, *J* 3.2, 1.8, NHCHCOCHCH), 6.20 (1H, d, *J* 3.2, NHCHCCH), 5.61 (1H, s, br, NH), 5.36 (1H, d, *J* 10.2, NHCH), 3.71 (3H, s, COOCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.58 (1H, dt, *J* 13.9, 7.2, CCOCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 2.35-2.28 (2H, m, CCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.07-1.99 (1H, m, COCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 1.98-1.89 (2H, m, COCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.41 (9H, s, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  210.5 (CCOCH<sub>2</sub>), 169.6 (CCOOCH<sub>3</sub>), 155.2 (COOC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 151.7 (NHCHCO), 141.8 (NHCHCOCH), 110.4 (NHCHCOCHCH), 108.0 (NHCHCCH), 70.0 (OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 64.3 (NHCHCCO), 52.8 (CCOOCH<sub>3</sub>), 50.6 (NHCH), 37.6 (CCOCH<sub>2</sub>), 30.6 (CCH<sub>2</sub>), 28.2 (OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>), 18.9 (COCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>); *m/z* (ESI-H<sup>+</sup>) 337.1524; C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NO<sub>6</sub><sup>+</sup> requires 337.1525.

**Method for dealkyl decarboxylation**

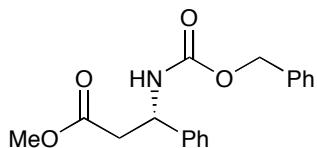
In an NMR tube **12** or **15** was dissolved in d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO (0.5 mL). 1 drop of water was added and the reaction vessel was heated at 160 °C for 12 hours. After the reaction was observed to have gone to completion by NMR, the reaction was purified by flash column chromatography eluting with hexane / acetone (100 / 1 to 3 / 1). This method was used to prepare:

**3-tert-Butoxycarbonylamino-3-phenyl-propionic acid methyl ester 22<sup>3a</sup>**



10.8 mg, 0.038 mmol, 68%, from **13** as a white solid. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL OD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 8.10 (167.57 mAu s), 9.16 min (2894.96 mAu s) gives 89% ee; Mpt 72 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  -23.3 (c 0.40, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  7.35-7.24 (5H, m, Ph), 5.43 (1H, s, br, NH), 5.10 (1H, s, br, NHCH), 3.61 (3H, s, COOCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.87 (1H, dd, *J* 15.3, 5.2 NHCHCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 2.81 (1H, dd, *J* 15.3, 5.8. NHCHCCCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 1.42 (9H, s, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>).

**3-Benzylxycarbonylamino-3-phenyl-propionic acid methyl ester 23<sup>3b</sup>**



14.8 mg, 0.047 mmol, 90%, from **16** as a white solid. Analytical Chiral HPLC (Daicel CHIRALCEL OD, 25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., 215nm), hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min), retention times 19.76 (3891.02 mAu s), 24.82 min (165.58 mAu s) gives 92% ee; Mpt. 58 - 60 °C;  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  -13.7 (c 0.19, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_H$  7.35-7.24 (10H, m, Ph), 5.73 (1H, s, br, NH), 5.16 (1H, dd, *J* 5.9, 5.3, NHCH), 5.12 (1H, d, *J*, 12.3, NHCOOCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 5.08 (1H, d, *J* 12.3, NHCOOCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 3.60 (3H, s, COOCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.89 (1H, dd, *J* 15.4, 5.2, NHCHCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>), 2.83 (1H, dd, *J* 15.4, 5.9, NHCHCH<sub>A</sub>H<sub>B</sub>).

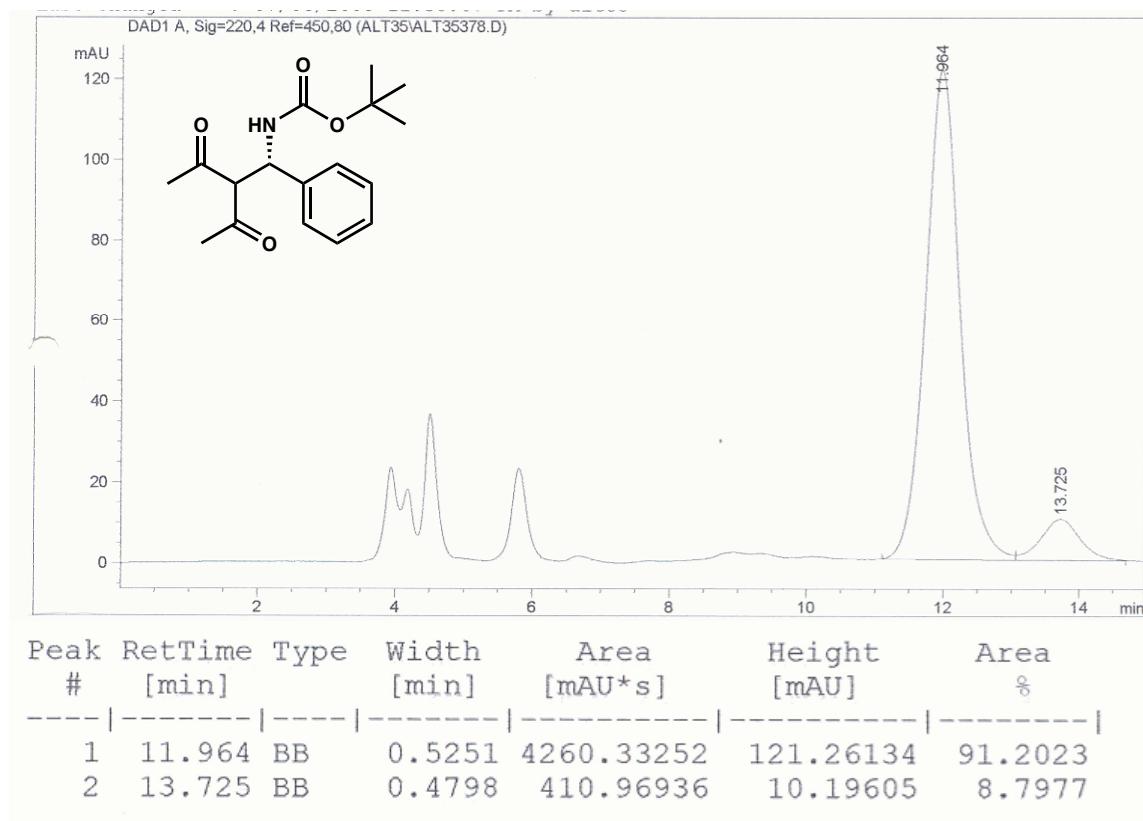
## References

1. A.G. Wenzel, E.N. Jacobsen, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 2002, **124**, 12964-12965
2. D. Uraguchi, M. Terada, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 2004, **126**, 5356-5357
3. a) F. A. Davis, J. M. Szewczyk, *Tetrahedron Lett.* 1998, **39**, 5951-5954. b) L. Crombie, D. Haigh, R. C. F. Jones, A. R. Mat-Zin, *J. Chem. Soc. Perkin Trans. 1*, 1993, 2047-2054.

## HPLC analysis

Analytical chiral HPLC data was obtained using Daicel CHIRALCEL AD, OG or OD columns (25 cm x 0.46 cm dia., at wavelengths specified in the traces below). For compounds **6**, **12-15**, **18-19** the traces were obtained using a Daicel CHIRALCEL AD column eluting with hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min). For compound **7** the traces were obtained using a Daicel CHIRALCEL OG column eluting with hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min). For compounds **21** the traces were obtained using a Daicel CHIRALCEL AD column eluting with hexane / *i*-PrOH (98 / 2, 0.8 ml / min). For compounds **22** and **23** the traces were obtained using a Daicel CHIRALCEL OD column eluting with hexane / *i*-PrOH (9 / 1, 0.8 ml / min).

Table 1 – Entry 2



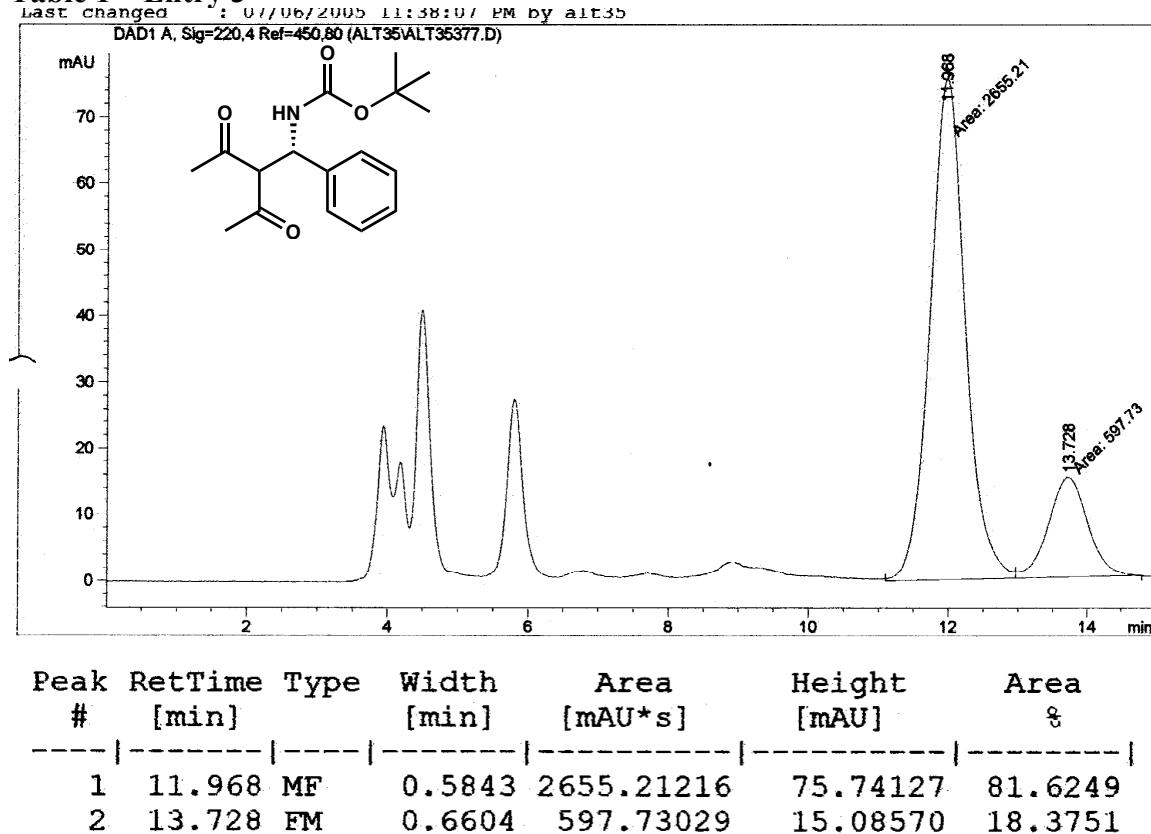
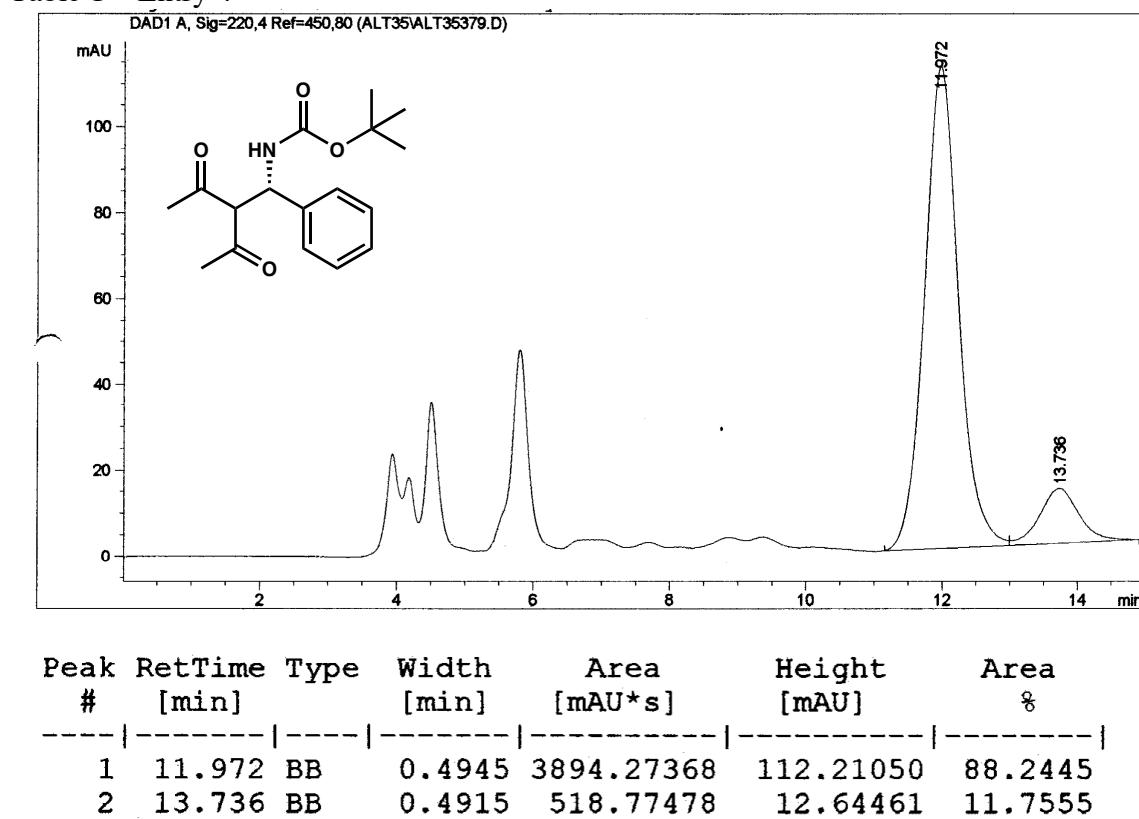
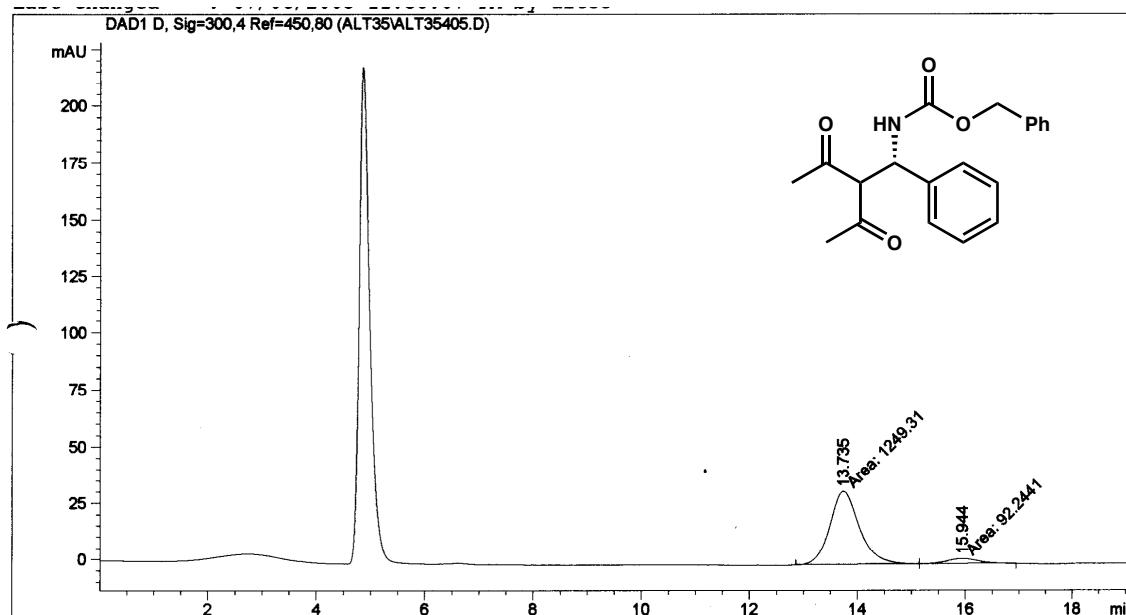
**Table 1 – Entry 3**

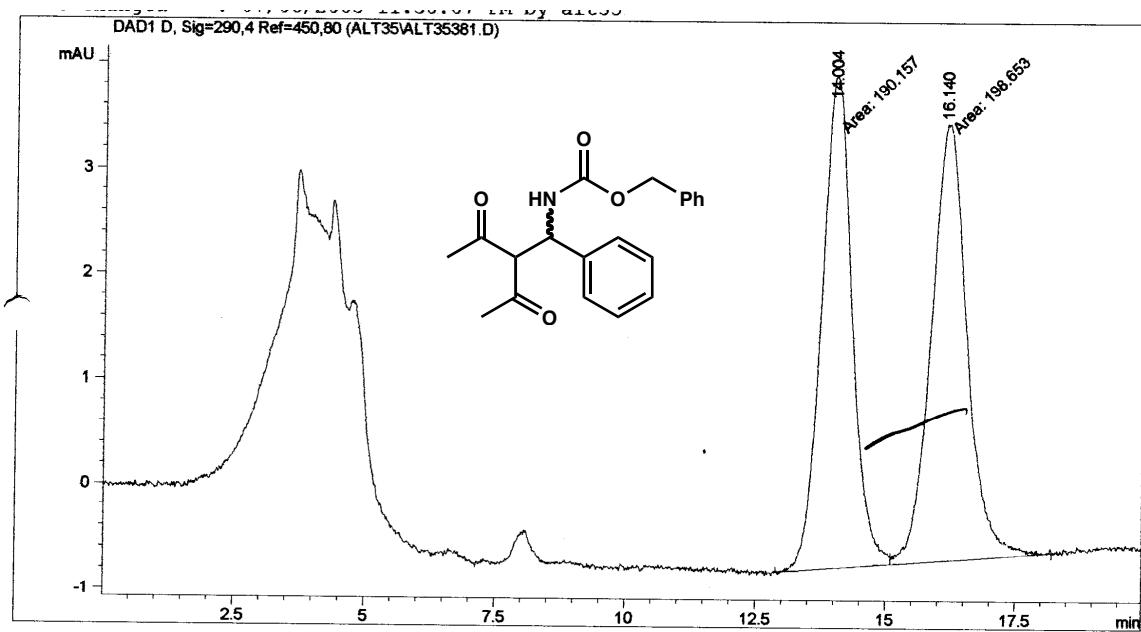
Table 1 – Entry 4



**Table 1 - Entry 5**

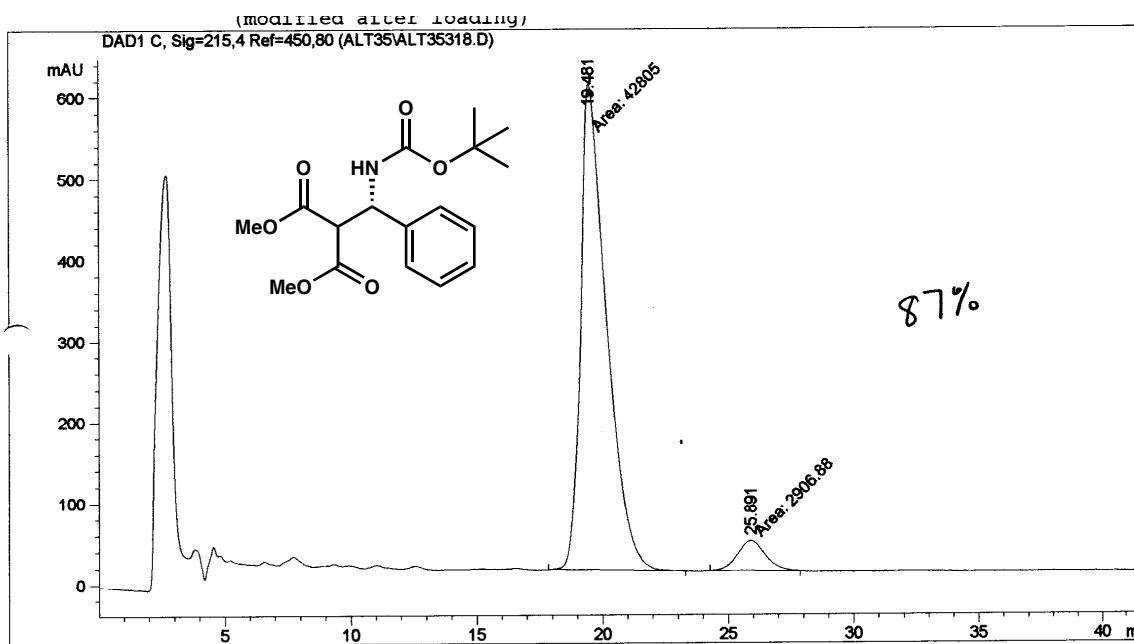


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	13.735	MF	0.6408	1249.30591	32.49191	93.1241
2	15.944	FM	0.6937	92.24409	2.21621	6.8759



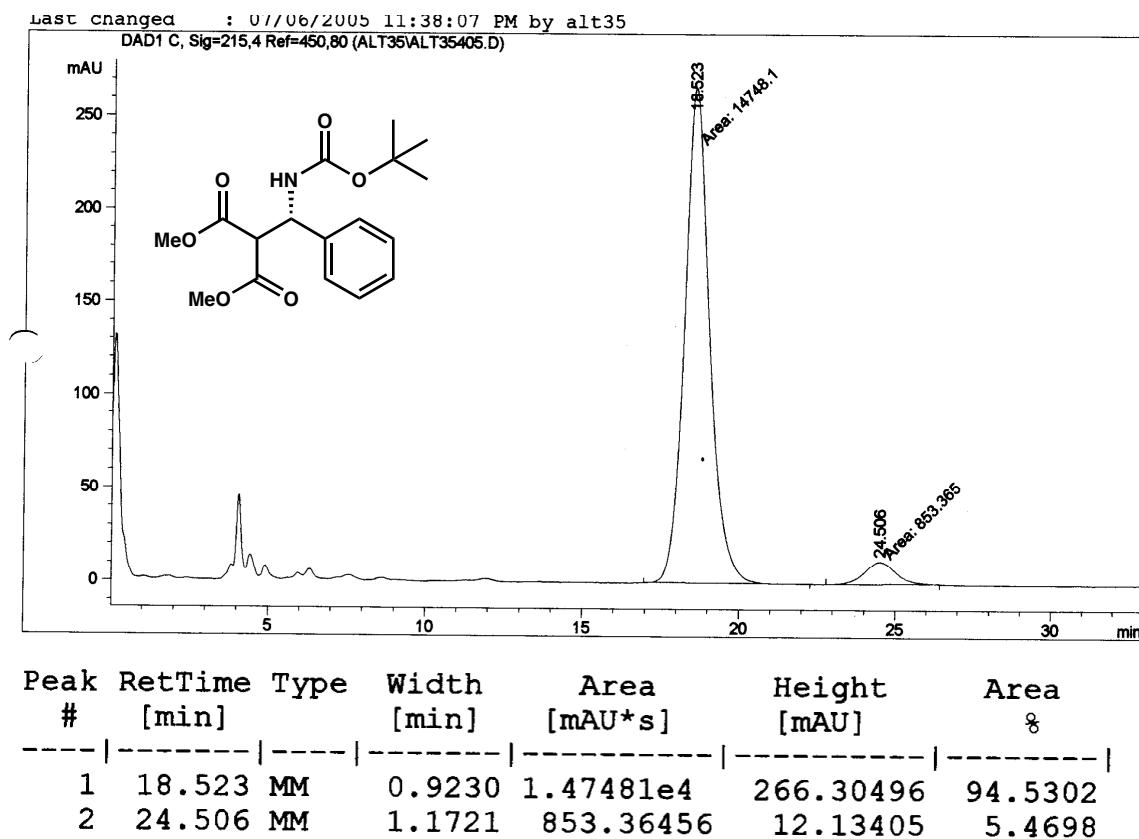
Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	14.004	MF	0.6775	190.15697	4.67815	48.9075
2	16.140	FM	0.8002	198.65263	4.13776	51.0925

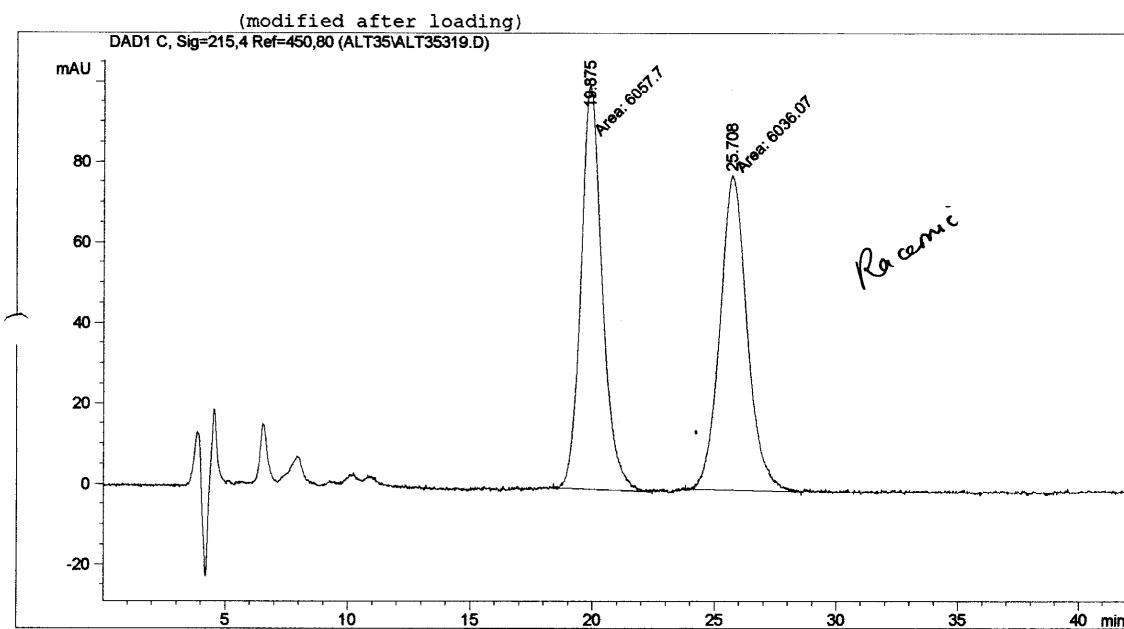
Table 2 – Entry 1



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	19.481	MM	1.1898	4.28050e4	599.60748	93.6409
2	25.891	MM	1.2954	2906.88477	37.40037	6.3591

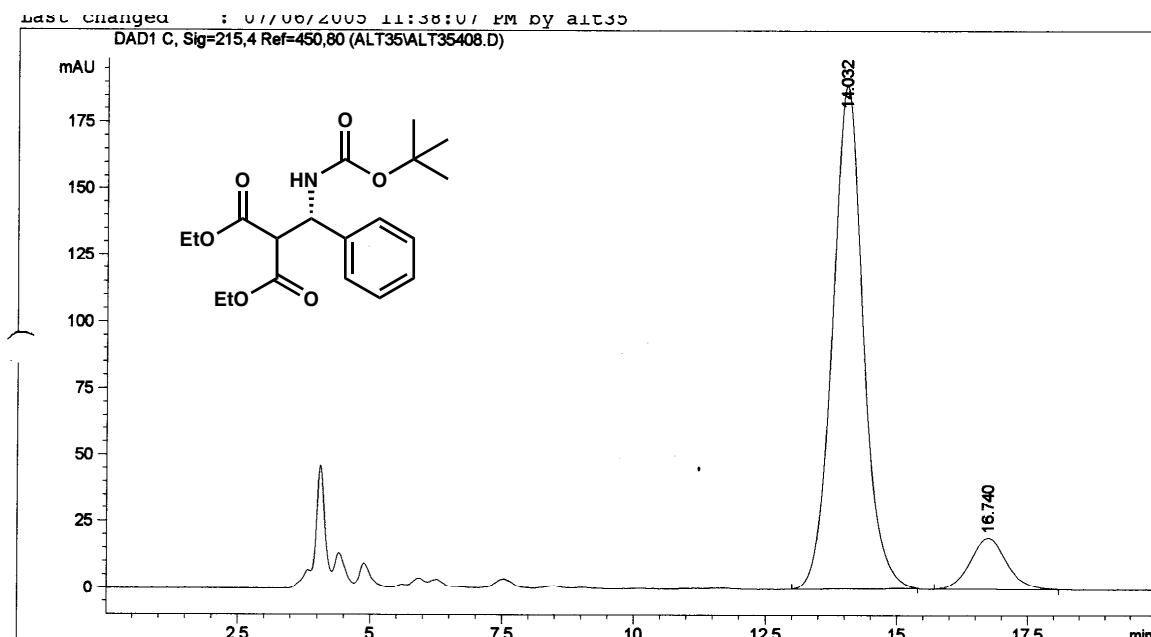
Table 2 – Entry 2





Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	19.875	MM	1.0049	6057.70264	100.47092	50.0894
2	25.708	MM	1.2879	6036.07422	78.11353	49.9106

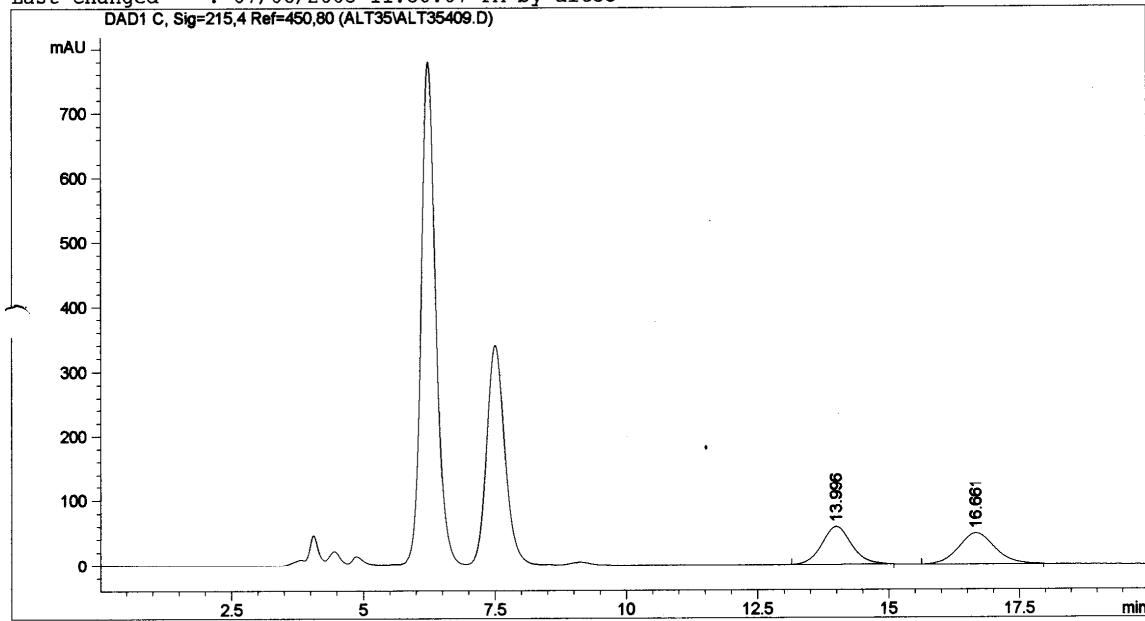
Table 2 – Entry 3



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	14.032	BB	0.5632	7687.92920	189.40187	89.1304
2	16.740	BP	0.5851	937.55688	19.22157	10.8696

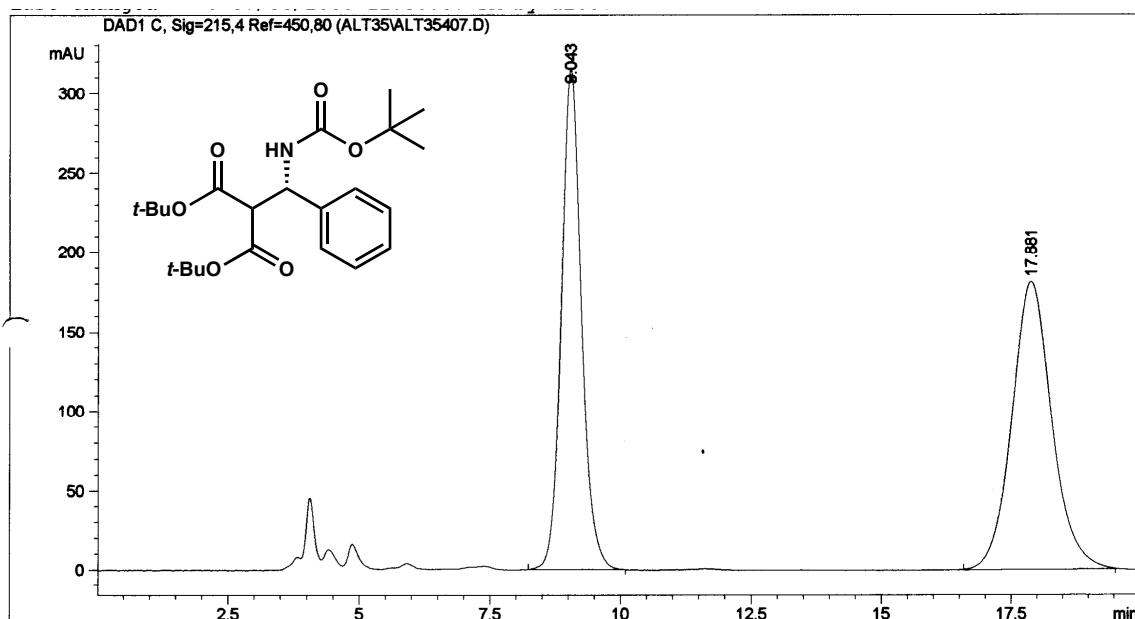
Last changed : 07/06/2005 11:38:07 PM by alt35

DAD1 C, Sig=215.4 Ref=450.80 (ALT35VALT35409.D)



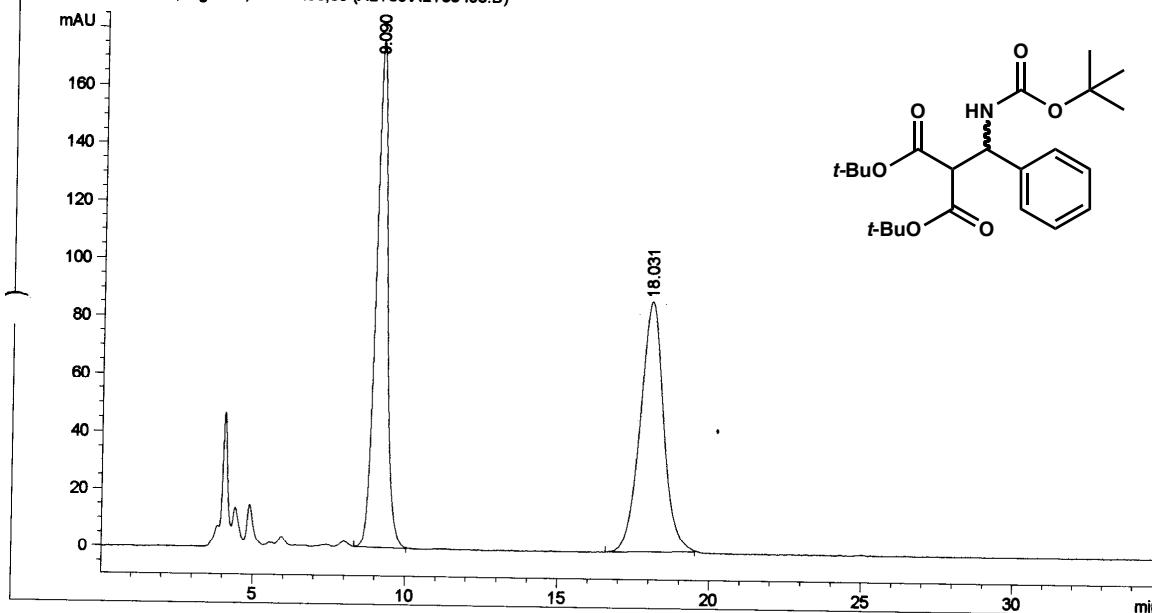
Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	13.996	BB	0.5014	2309.57837	57.79316	50.0357
2	16.661	BB	0.5800	2306.28076	47.16818	49.9643

Table 2 – Entry 4



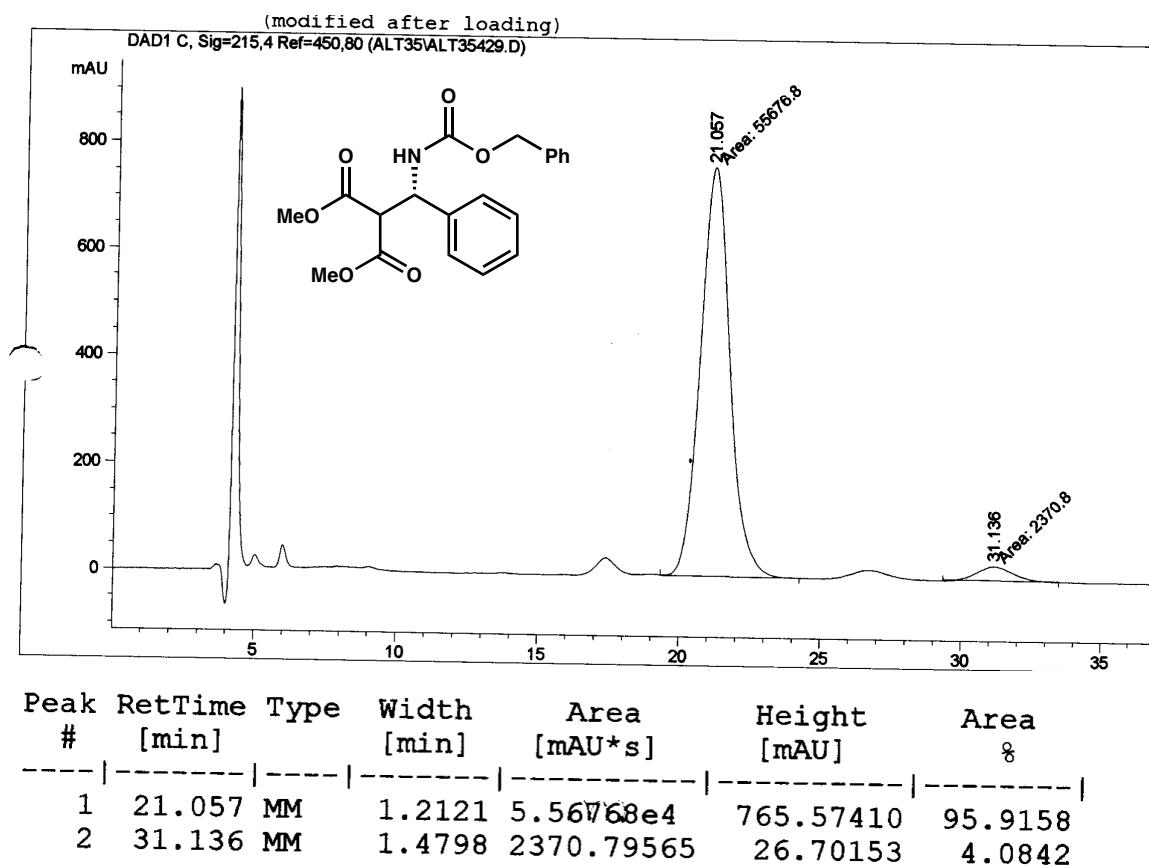
Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	9.043	BB	0.4047	8425.35156	315.20044	46.2896
2	17.881	BB	0.7137	9776.03320	180.90126	53.7104

Last changed : 01/09/2005 11:38:07 PM by alt35  
DAD1 C, Sig=215.4 Ref=450,80 (ALT35\ALT35406.D)



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	9.090	VB	0.3967	4688.23877	176.28735	50.1397
2	18.031	PB	0.6619	4662.10889	86.78384	49.8603

Table 2 – Entry 5



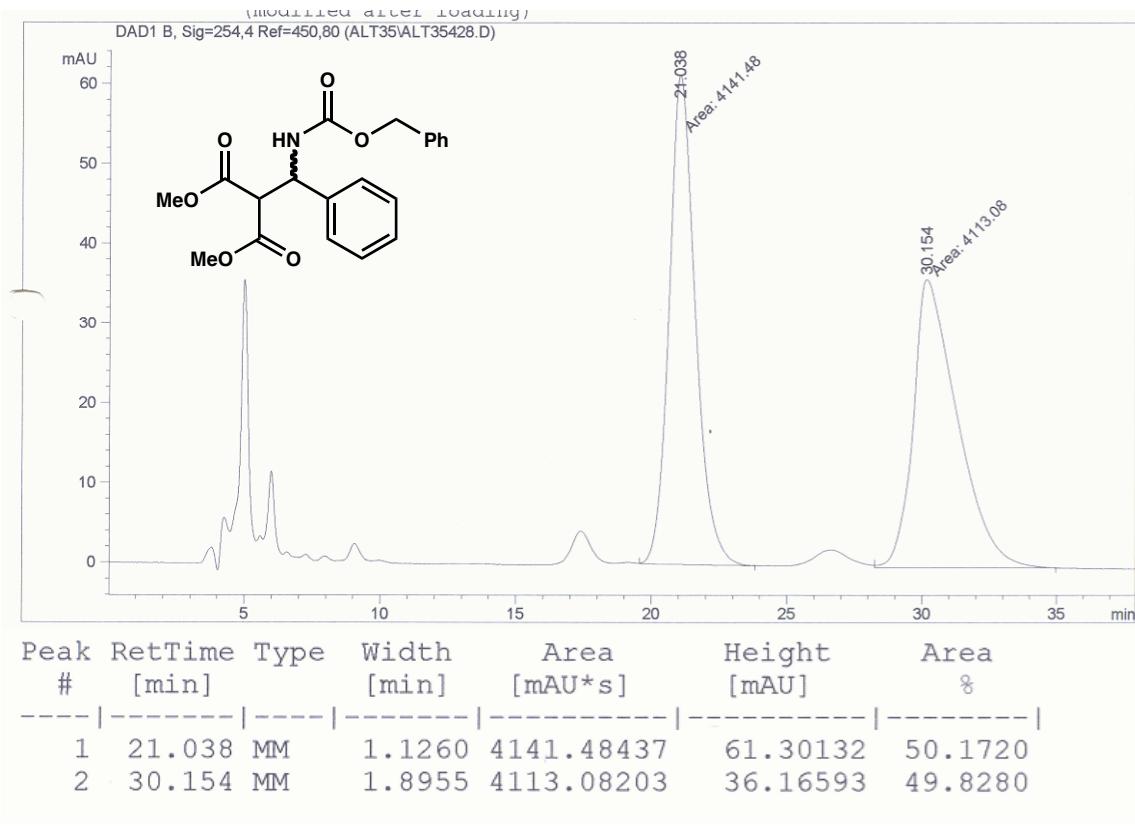
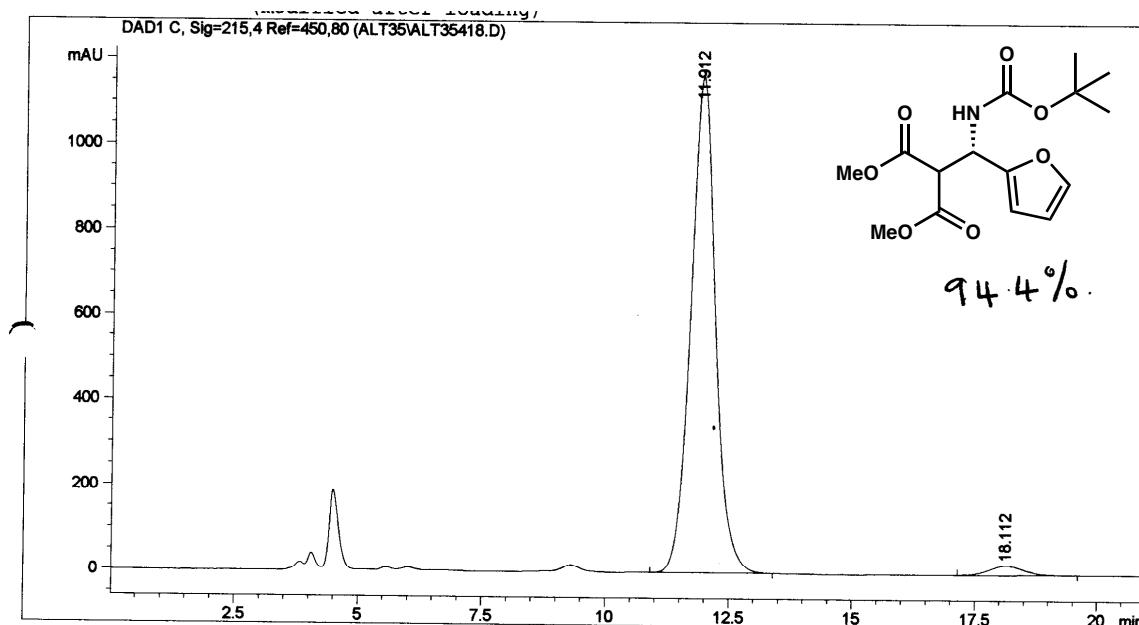
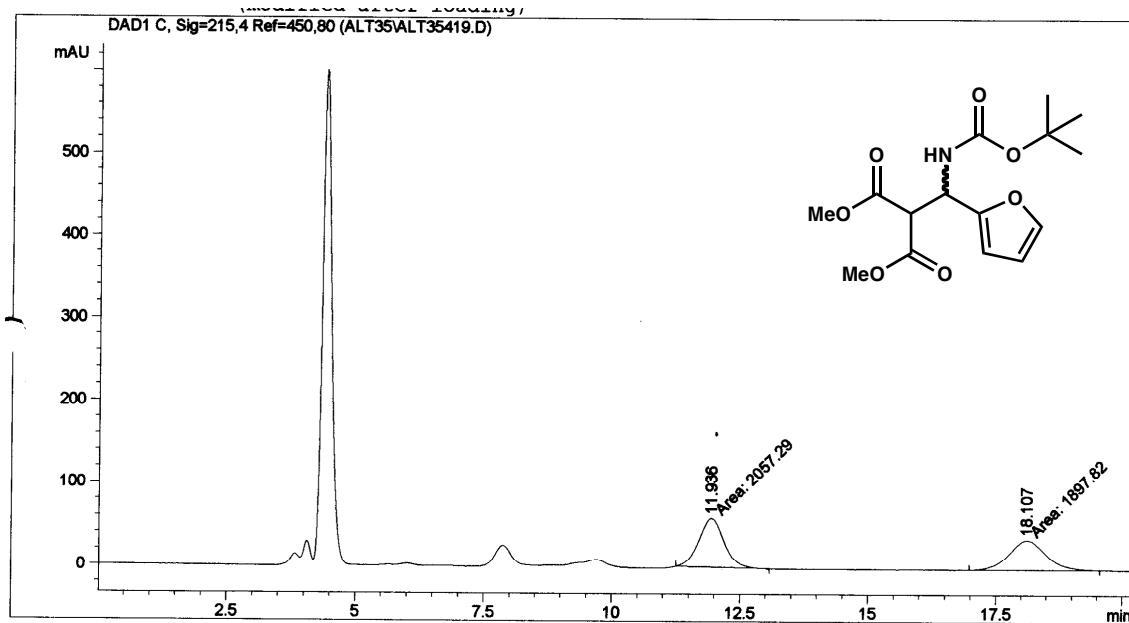


Table 3 – Entry 1

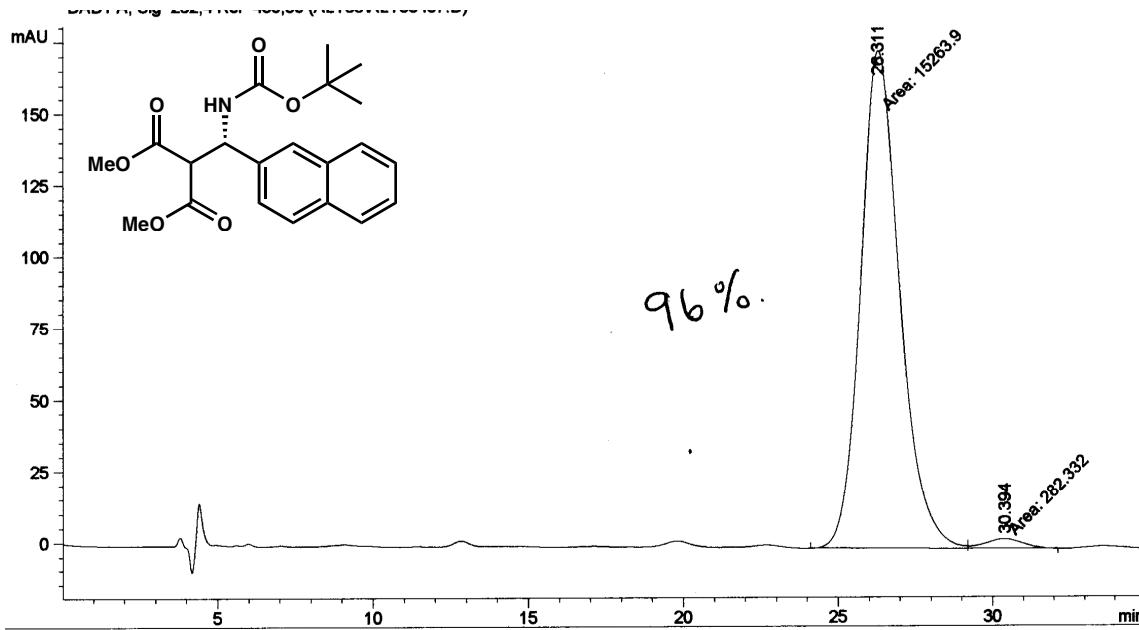


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	11.912	PB	0.4631	4.04717e4	1164.31152	97.1871
2	18.112	BP	0.6079	1171.37085	22.71992	2.8129

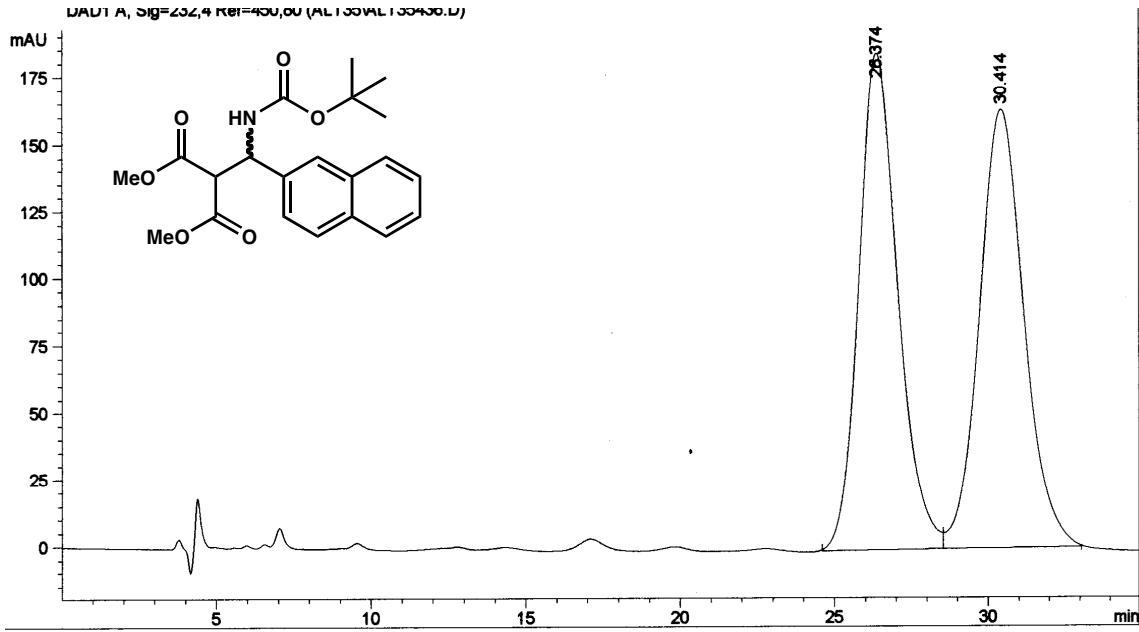


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	11.936	MM	0.5766	2057.29272	59.46577	52.0160
2	18.107	MM	0.8665	1897.82056	36.50247	47.9840

Table 3 – Entry 2

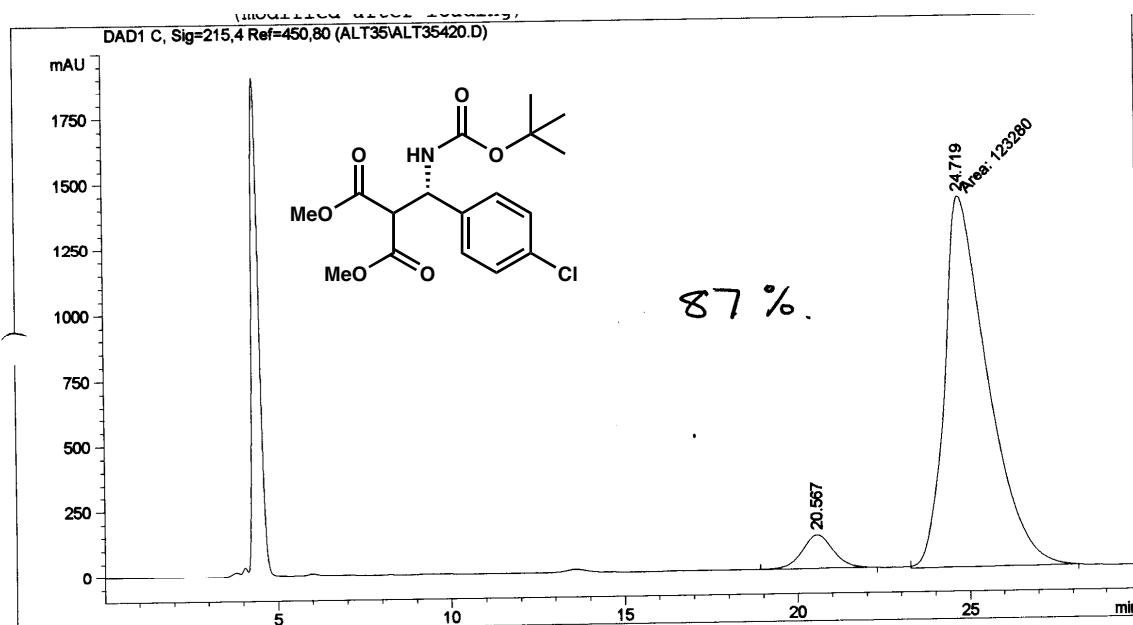


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	26.311	MF	1.4618	1.52639e4	174.03577	98.1839
2	30.394	FM	1.4024	282.33173	3.35529	1.8161

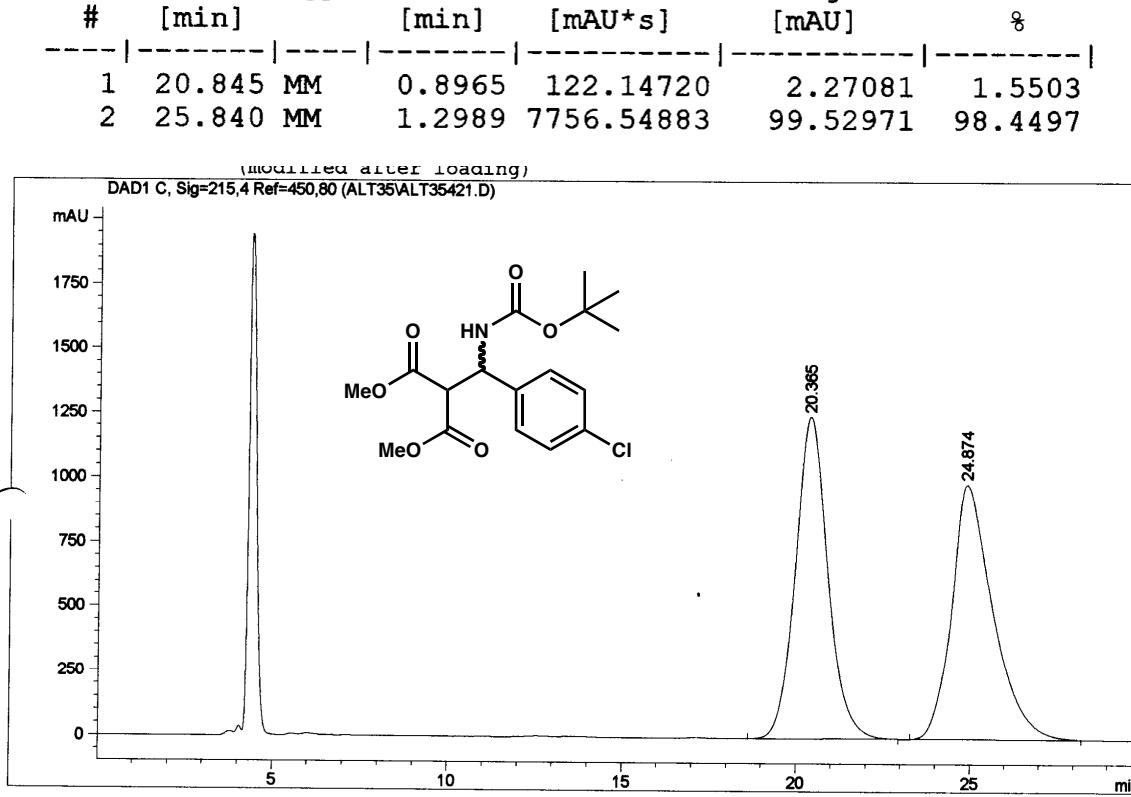
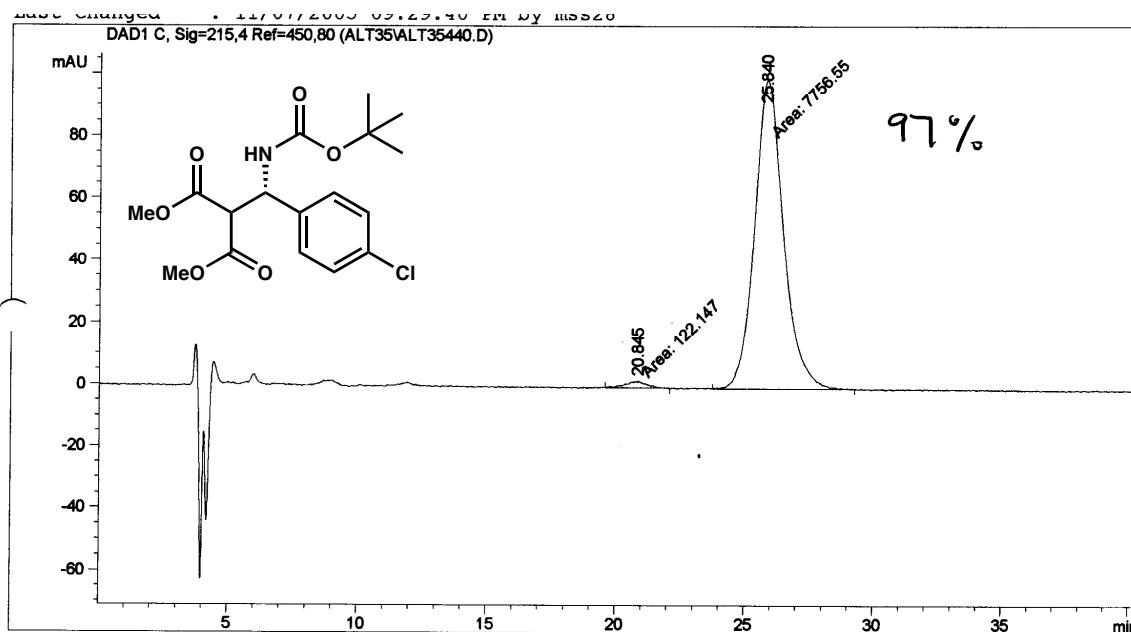


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	26.374	BV	1.0620	1.62730e4	184.90158	49.6567
2	30.414	VB	1.1949	1.64980e4	163.27118	50.3433

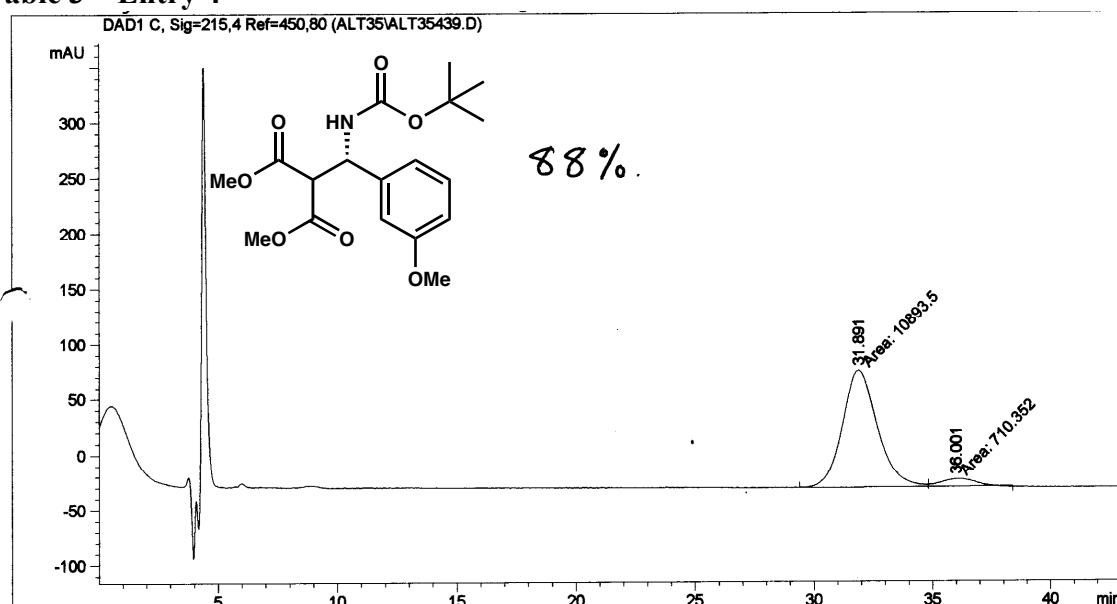
**Table 3 – Entry 3**



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	20.567	BB	0.7625	8039.84717	127.29197	6.1223
2	24.719	MM	1.4492	1.23280e5	1417.81433	93.8777

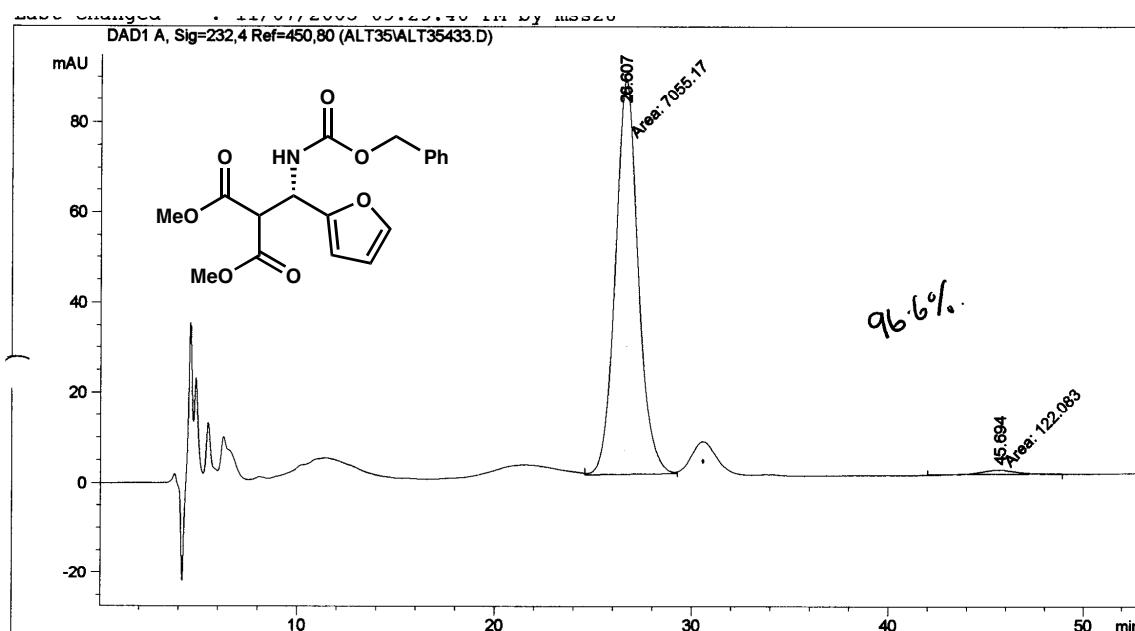


**Table 3 – Entry 4**

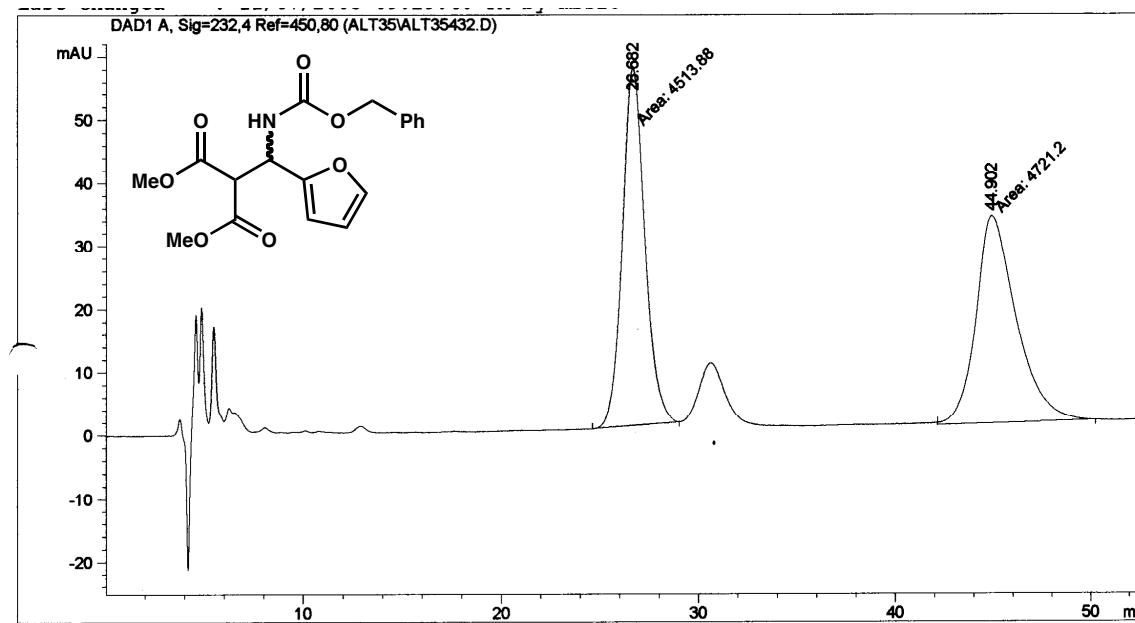


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	31.891	MF	1.7129	1.08935e4	105.99590	93.8783
2	36.001	FM	1.6685	710.35205	7.09587	6.1217

**Table 3 – Entry 5**

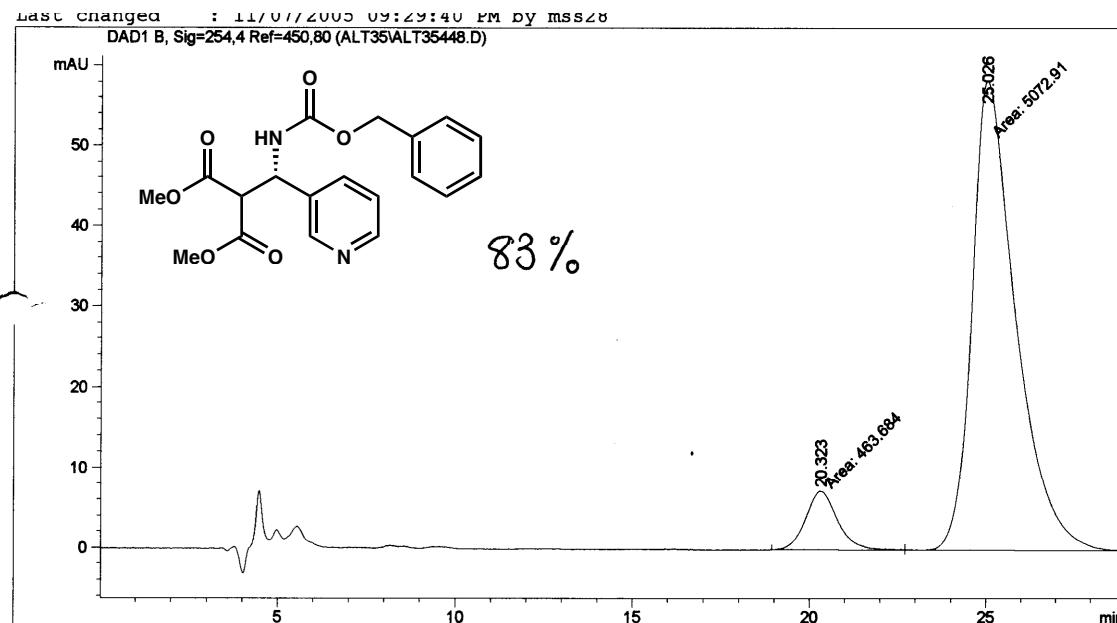


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	26.607	MM	1.3462	7055.16650	87.34762	98.2990
2	45.694	MM	2.0814	122.08276	9.77555e-1	1.7010

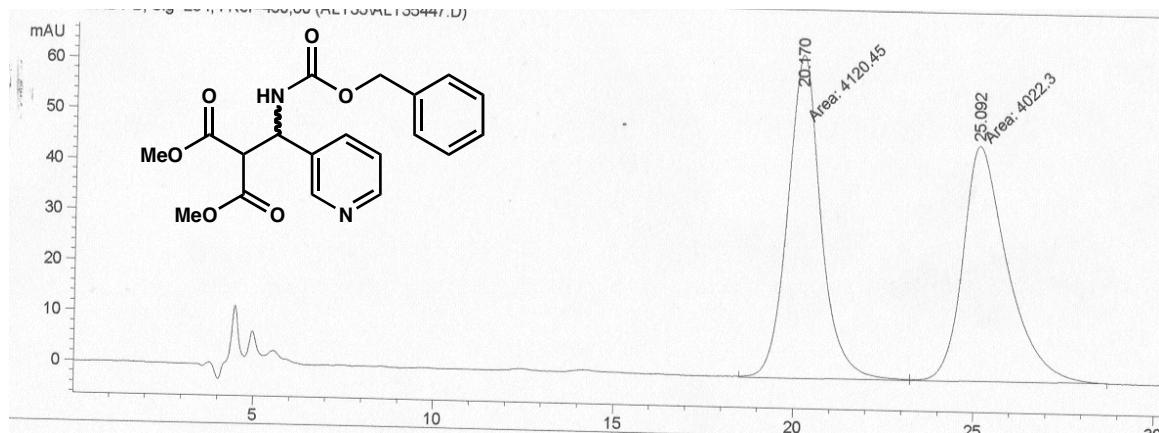


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	26.682	MM	1.3259	4513.87500	56.73988	48.8775
2	44.902	MM	2.3904	4721.19922	32.91759	51.1225

**Table 3 – Entry 6**

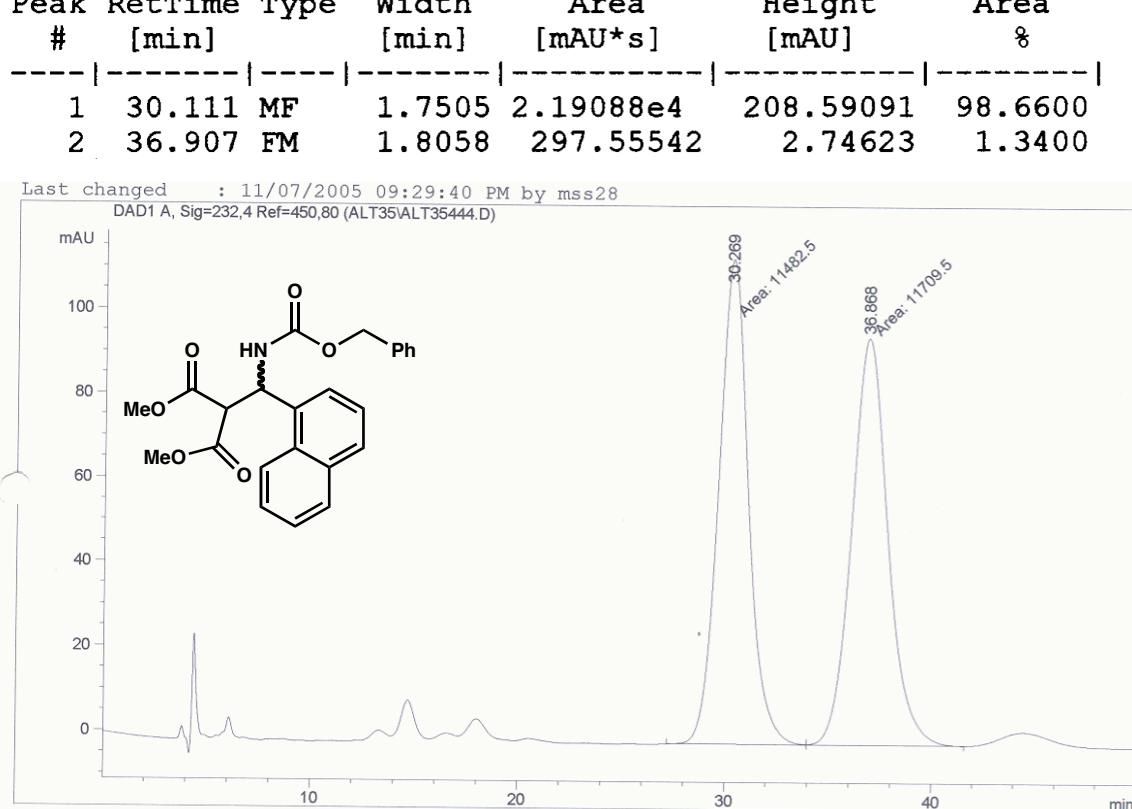
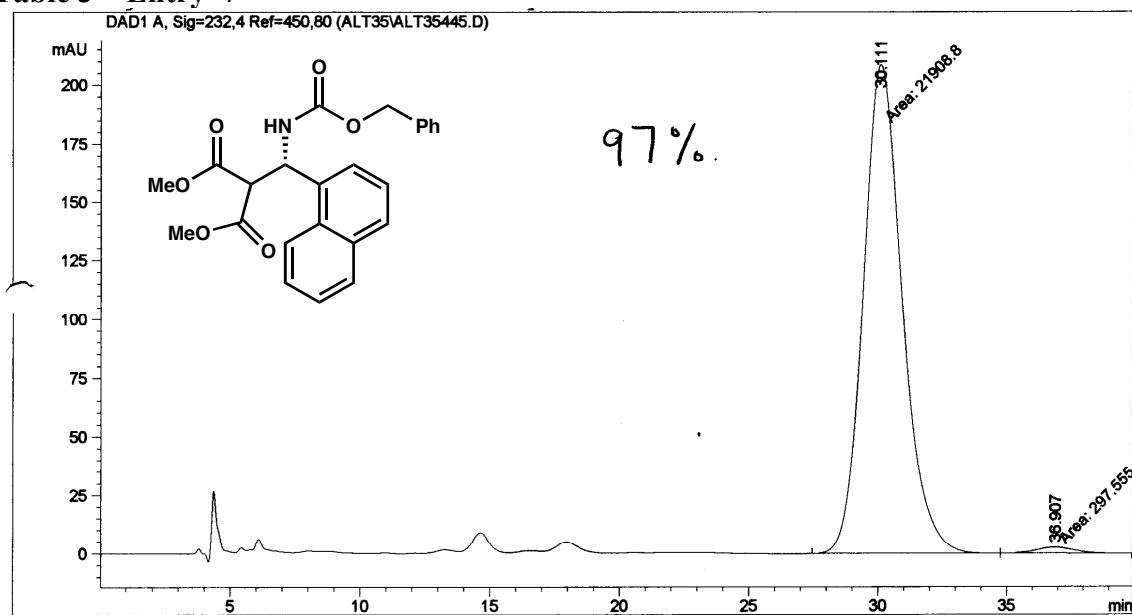


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	20.323	MF	1.0586	463.68384	7.30061	8.3749
2	25.026	FM	1.4469	5072.90820	58.43264	91.6251

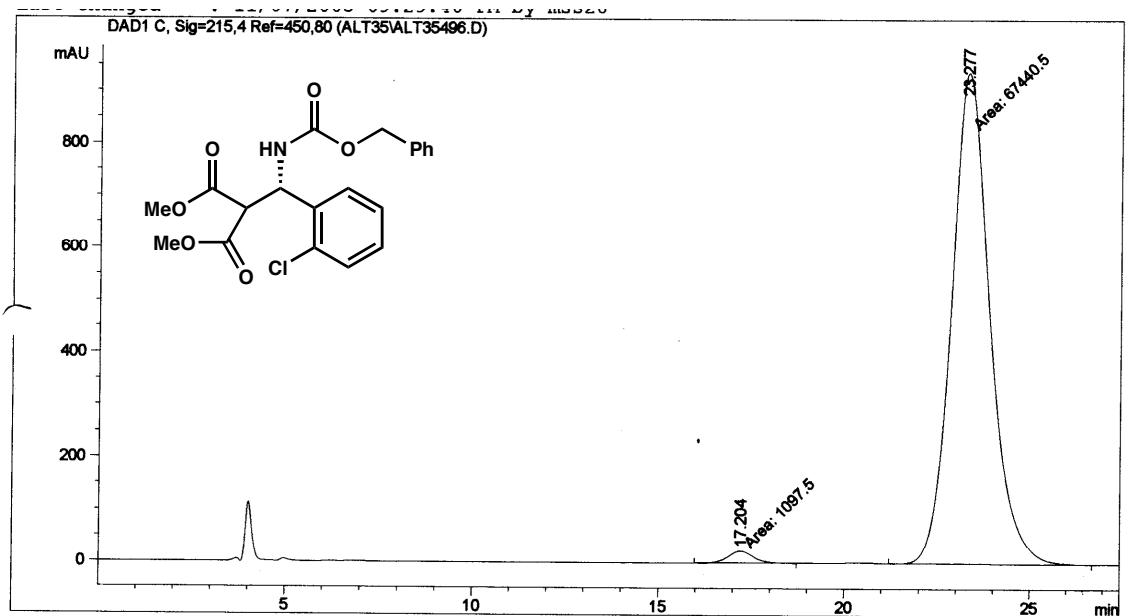


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	20.170	MF	1.0743	4120.44727	63.92307	50.6027
2	25.092	FM	1.4436	4022.30029	46.43672	49.3973

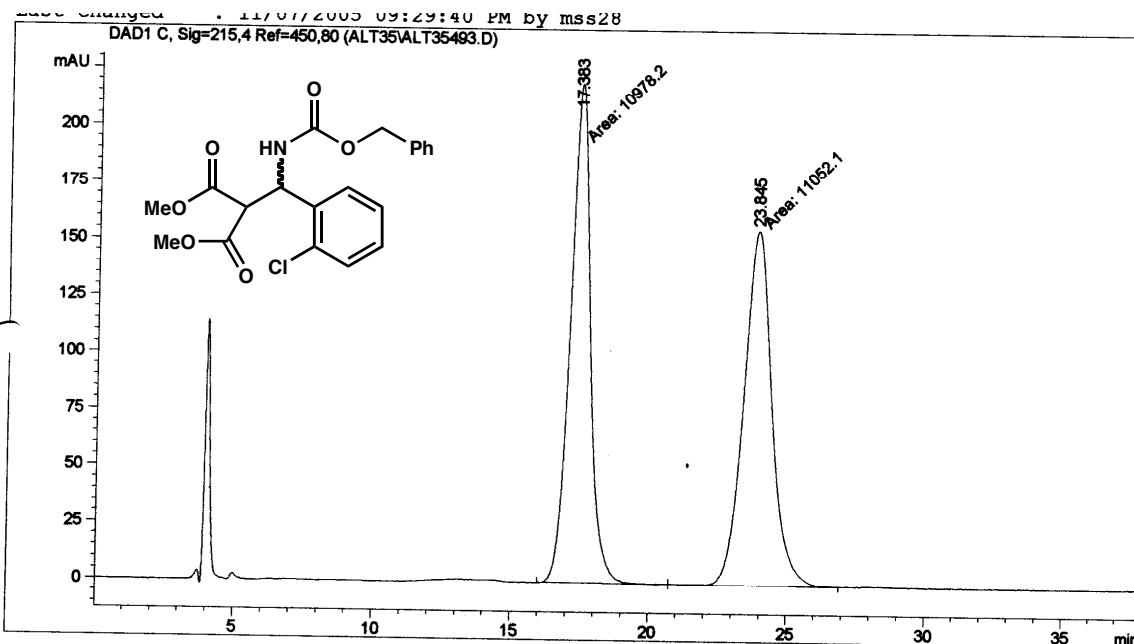
**Table 3 – Entry 7**



**Table 3 – Entry 8**

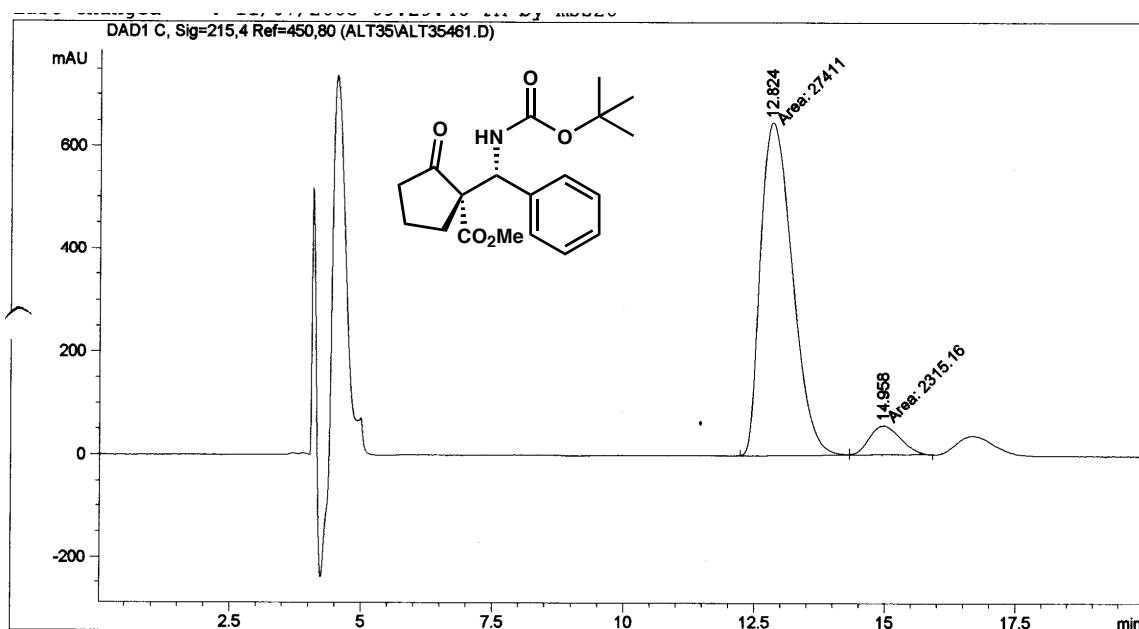


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	17.204	MM	0.7885	1097.49548	23.19672	1.6013
2	23.277	MM	1.1981	6.74405e4	938.18433	98.3987

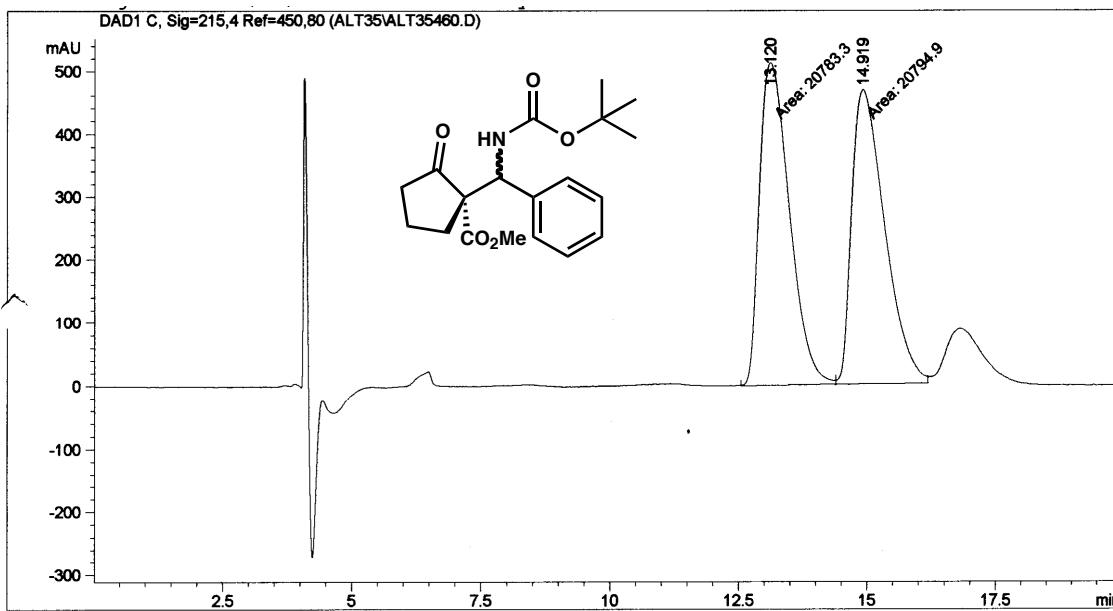


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	17.383	MF	0.8333	1.09782e4	219.57062	49.8324
2	23.845	FM	1.1800	1.10521e4	156.09680	50.1676

**Table 4 – Entry 1**

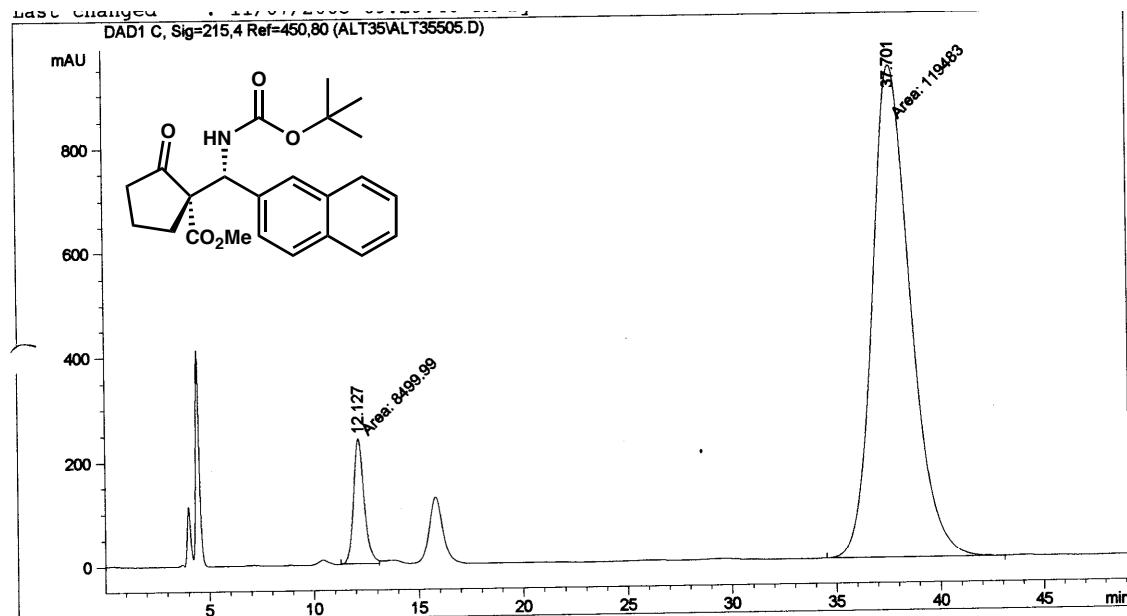


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	12.824	MF	0.7050	2.74110e4	647.99164	92.2117
2	14.958	FM	0.6889	2315.16138	56.01035	7.7883

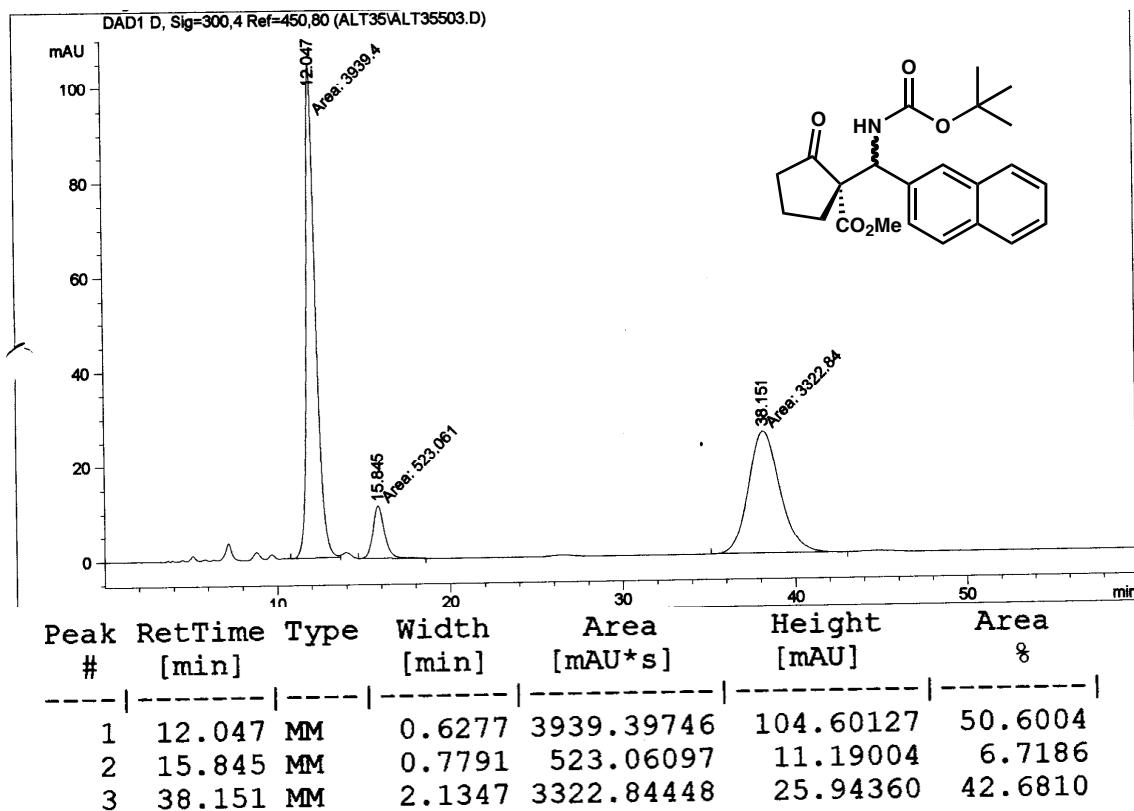


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	13.120	MF	0.6759	2.07833e4	512.45435	49.9860
2	14.919	FM	0.7427	2.07949e4	466.64969	50.0140

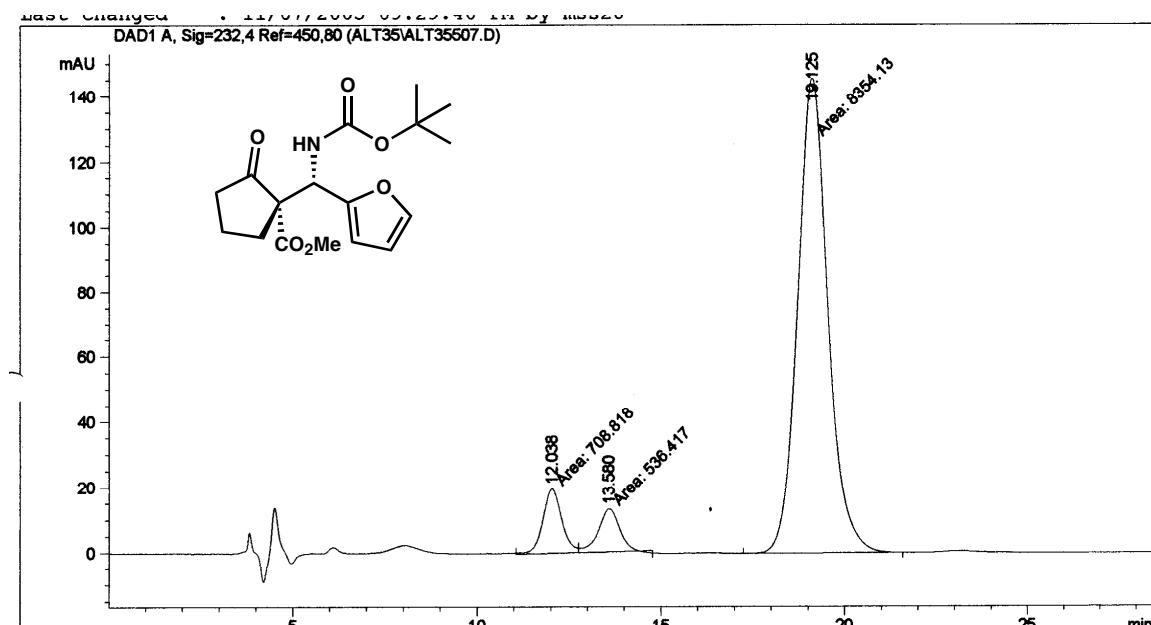
Table 4 – Entry 2



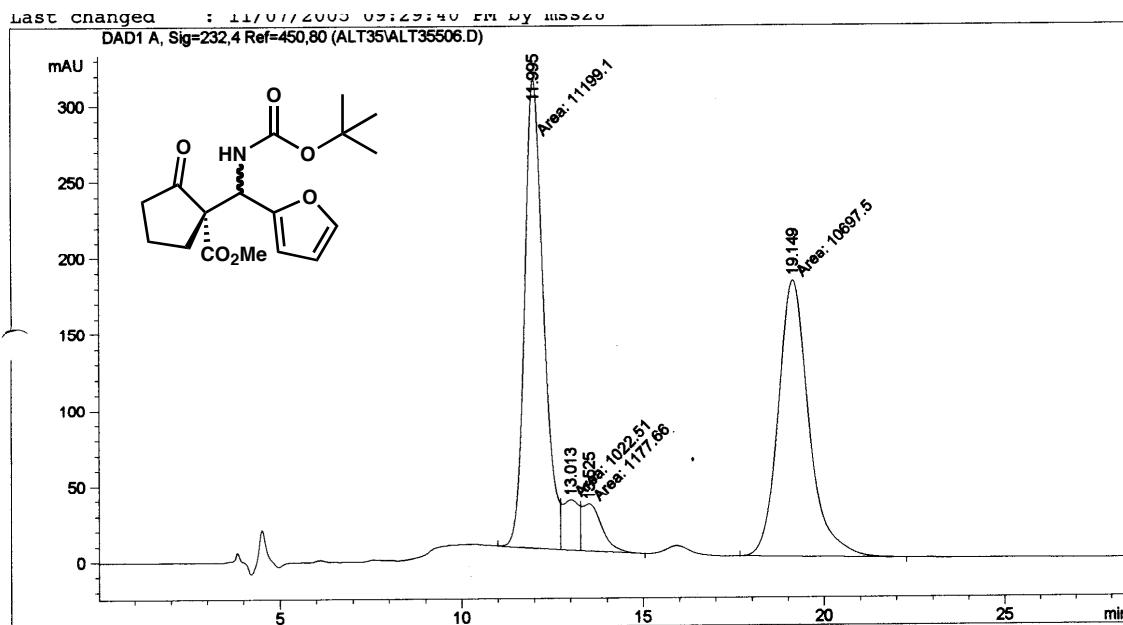
Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	12.127	MM	0.5873	8499.98828	241.20081	6.6415
2	37.701	MM	2.1092	1.19483e5	944.13947	93.3585



**Table 4 – Entry 3**

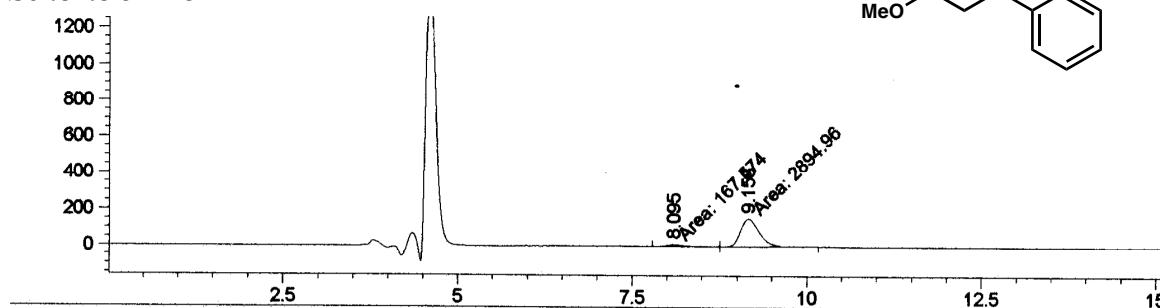


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	12.038	MF	0.5992	708.81769	19.71531	7.3840
2	13.580	FM	0.6792	536.41736	13.16355	5.5880
3	19.125	MM	0.9552	8354.13379	145.76079	87.0279

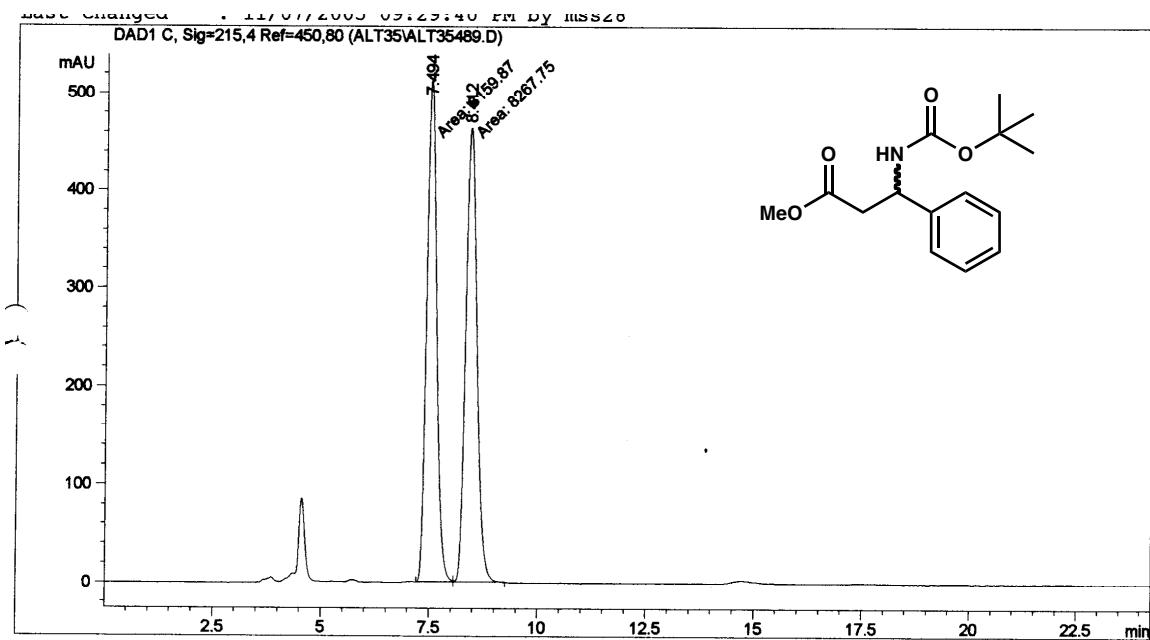


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	11.995	MF	0.6040	1.11991e4	309.01361	46.4756
2	13.013	FM	0.5182	1022.50702	32.88592	4.2433
3	13.525	FM	0.6362	1177.65735	30.84894	4.8872
4	19.149	MM	0.9821	1.06975e4	181.54449	44.3939

Scheme 5 – 23

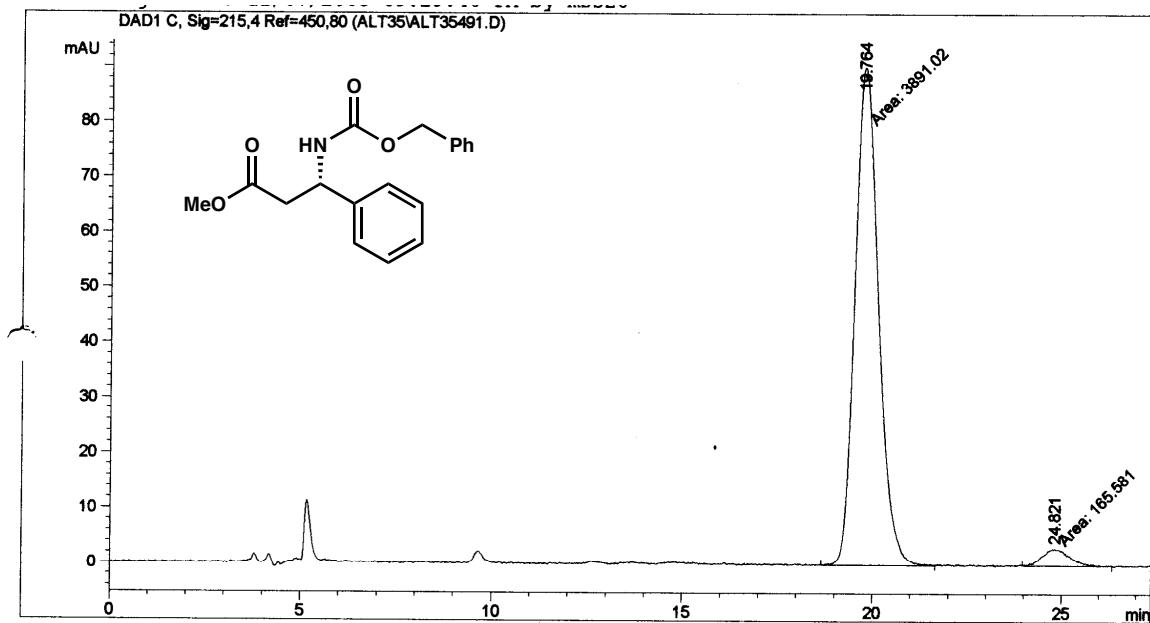


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	8.095	MF	0.2556	167.57359	10.92638	5.4717
2	9.158	FM	0.3151	2894.95728	153.13329	94.5283

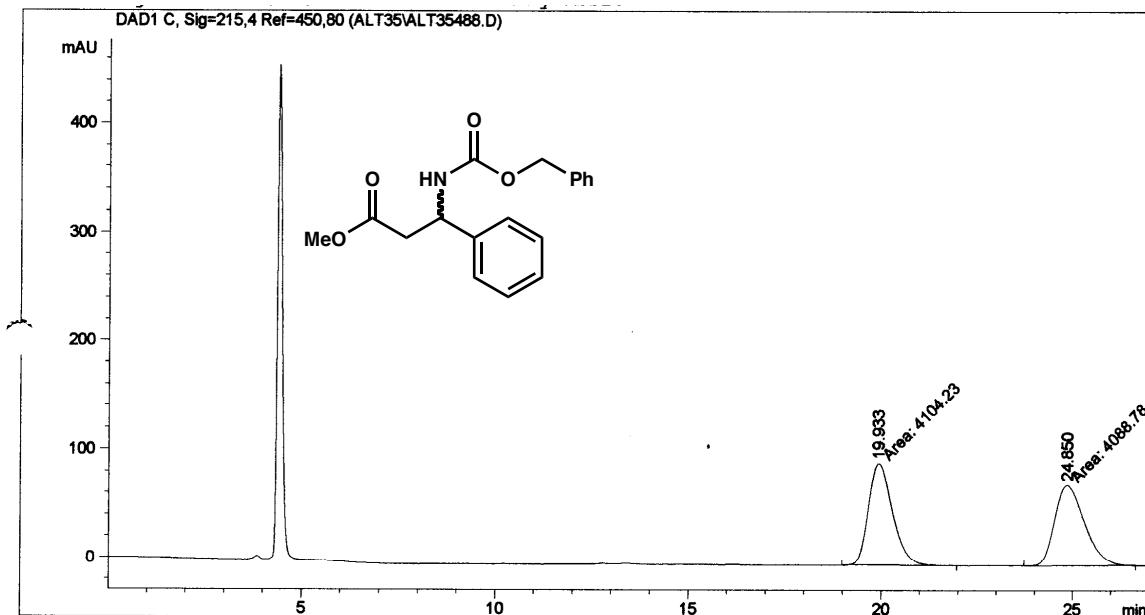


Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	7.494	MF	0.2650	8159.86865	513.13782	49.6717
2	8.412	FM	0.2970	8267.74609	464.03146	50.3283

Scheme 5 - 24



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	19.764	MM	0.7184	3891.02466	90.27192	95.9182
2	24.821	MM	0.8679	165.58055	3.17968	4.0818



Peak #	RetTime [min]	Type	Width [min]	Area [mAU*s]	Height [mAU]	Area %
1	19.933	MM	0.7264	4104.22705	94.16273	50.0943
2	24.850	MM	0.9170	4088.77686	74.31191	49.9057