

Diastereoselective allylation and crotylation of *N*-*tert*-butanesulfinyl imines with allylic alcohols

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General Methods: (*R*_S)-*N*-*tert*-butanesulfinamide was a gift of Medalcone ($>99\%$ ee by chiral HPLC on a Chiracel AS column, 90:10 *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH, 1.2 mL/min, $\lambda=222$ nm). All other commercially available reagents were used as received.

TLC was performed on silica gel 60 F₂₅₄, using aluminum plates and visualized with phosphomolybdic acid (PMA) stain. Flash chromatography was carried out on handpacked columns of silica gel 60 (230-400 mesh). Melting points are uncorrected. IR spectra were recorded as a film deposited from CDCl₃ or CH₂Cl₂ on NaCl plates followed by solvent evaporation and all absorptions are reported in cm⁻¹.

Mass spectra (EI) were obtained at 70 eV; fragment ions are given in m/z with relative intensities (%) in parentheses. HRMS analyses were also carried out in the electron impact mode (EI) at 70 eV using a quadrupole mass analyzer or in the electrospray ionization mode (ESI) using a TOF analyzer.

¹H NMR spectra were recorded at 300 MHz using CDCl₃ or CD₃OD as the solvent and TMS as internal standard (0.00 ppm). The data is being reported as [s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet or unresolved, br s = broad signal, integration, coupling constant(s) in Hz]. ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded with ¹H-decoupling at 100 MHz and referenced to CDCl₃ at 77.16 ppm. DEPT-135 experiments were performed to assign CH, CH₂ and CH₃.

General procedure for the synthesis of *N*-*tert*-butanesulfinyl imines **1**:

To a solution of (*R*_S)-*tert*-butanesulfinamide (0.605 g, 5 mmol) and the corresponding carbonyl compound (4.5 mmol) in dry THF (20 mL) under argon at 23 °C was slowly added titanium tetraethoxide (2.005 g, 1.885 mL, 9 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 12 h at the same temperature for aldehydes and at 76 °C for 5 h for butanone. The resulting mixture was hydrolyzed with brine (30 mL), extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 15 mL), dried with anhydrous MgSO₄ and evaporated (15 Torr). The residue was purified by column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/ethyl acetate) to yield pure compounds **1**. Imines **1a** (derived from 3-phenylpropanal),¹ **1b** (derived from nonanal),² **1c** (derived from isobutyraldehyde),³ **1d** (derived from benzaldehyde),³ **1e** (derived from 4-methylbenzaldehyde),⁴ **1f** (derived from 4-methoxybenzaldehyde),⁴ **1g** (derived from 2-bromobenzaldehyde),⁵ **1h** (derived from 4-cyanobenzaldehyde),⁶ **1i** (derived from 3-chlorobenzaldehyde)⁷ and **1j** (derived from butanone)⁸ were characterized by comparison of their physical and spectroscopic data with those reported in the literature.

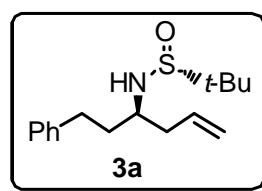
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General procedure for the stereoselective allylation and crotylation of *N*-*tert*-butanesulfinyl imines **1 with homoallylic alcohols **2**:**

To a flask containing dry THF (1.0 mL) was successively added homoallylic alcohol **2** (0.8 mmol), the corresponding *N*-*tert*-butanesulfinyl imine **1** (0.2 mmol), InI (96 mg, 0.4 mmol) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (11.5 mg, 0.01 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 14 h at 23 °C. Then, the resulting mixture was hydrolyzed with H₂O (5 mL), extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL), dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ and evaporated (15 Torr). The residue was purified by column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/EtOAc) to yield products **3**. Yields are given on Tables 1 and 3. Physical and spectroscopic data follow.

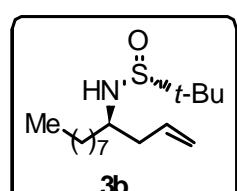
Characterization data of the obtained homoallylic amine derivatives **3**

(3*R*,*R*_S)-*N*-*tert*-Butanesulfinyl-1-phenylhex-5-en-3-amine (3a**):⁹**



Colourless oil; $[\alpha]^{20}_D$ -46 (*c* 0.87, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.35 (hexane/EtOAc 2:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.23 (s, 9H), 1.77-1.86 (m, 2H), 2.38-2.46 (m, 2H), 2.63-2.73 (m, 2H), 3.30-3.41 (m, 2H), 5.14-5.19 (m, 2H), 5.72-5.86 (m, 1H), 7.16-7.31 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.8 (CH₃), 32.0 (CH₂), 37.0 (CH₂), 40.6 (CH₂), 54.7 (CH), 56.0 (C), 119.3 (CH₂), 126.1 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 134.0 (CH), 141.9 (C); IR (film) 3237, 3062, 3025, 2926, 2863, 1454, 1363, 1052 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 223 (M⁺-56, 4%), 181 (12), 118 (11), 117 (67), 102 (14), 91 (100), 70 (22), 65 (18).

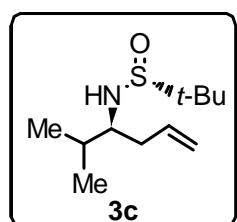
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Colourless oil; $[\alpha]^{20}_D$ -54 (*c* 0.83, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.52 (hexane/EtOAc 2:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.88 (t, 3H, J = 7.0 Hz), 1.20 (s, 9H), 1.27-1.37 (m, 12H), 1.45-1.49 (m, 2H), 2.26-2.45 (m, 2H), 3.20-3.36 (m, 2H), 5.12-5.17 (m, 2H), 5.72-5.86 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.2 (CH₃), 22.8 (CH₃), 25.6 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 32.0 (CH₂), 35.1 (CH₂), 40.6 (CH₂), 55.0 (CH), 55.9 (C), 119.0 (CH₂), 134.4 (CH); IR (film) 3220, 2925, 2854, 1456, 1362, 1056 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 231 (M⁺-56, 12%), 189 (21), 118 (17), 102 (34), 84 (28), 77 (19), 70 (78), 69 (19), 55 (43), 43 (84), 42 (19), 41 (100).

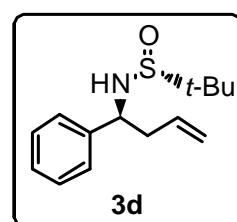
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(3S,R_S)-N-tert-Butanesulfinyl-2-methylhex-5-en-3-amine (3c):⁹



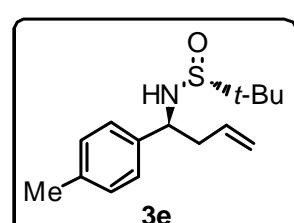
Colourless oil; $[\alpha]^{20}_D$ -65 (*c* 0.59, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.31 (hexane/EtOAc 2:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.91 (d, 6H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 1.22 (s, 9H), 1.82-1.93 (m, 1H), 2.23-2.43 (m, 2H), 3.11-3.20 (m, 2H), 5.13-5.18 (m, 2H), 5.72-5.86 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 18.0 (CH₃), 18.5 (CH₃), 22.9 (CH₃), 31.1 (CH₂), 37.1 (CH₂), 56.0 (C), 60.0 (CH), 118.8 (CH₂), 134.9 (CH); IR (film) 3239, 2957, 2871, 1466, 1388, 1364, 1055 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 161 (M⁺-56, 15%), 120 (52), 119 (78), 118 (12), 62 (15), 57 (90), 56 (19), 55 (72), 43 (24), 41 (100).

(1S,R_S)-N-tert-Butanesulfinyl-1-phenylbut-3-en-1-amine (3d):⁹



Colourless oil; $[\alpha]^{20}_D$ -146 (*c* 0.92, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.35 (hexane/EtOAc 2:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.20 (s, 9H), 2.42-2.64 (m, 2H), 3.67 (br s, 1H), 4.45-4.49 (m, 1H), 5.15-5.22 (m, 2H), 5.67-5.80 (m, 1H), 7.26-7.36 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.7 (CH₃), 43.6 (CH₂), 55.8 (C), 57.2 (CH), 119.4 (CH₂), 127.6 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 134.3 (CH), 141.8 (C); IR (film) 3223, 3064, 3030, 1454, 1363, 1055 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 195 (M⁺-56, 12%), 154 (22), 153 (71), 135 (13), 131 (100), 105 (16), 104 (27), 91 (25), 77 (18), 57 (63), 51 (16), 41 (66).

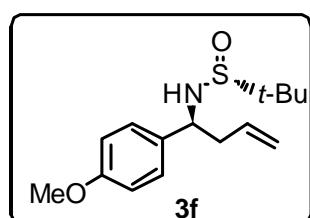
(1S,R_S)-N-tert-Butanesulfinyl-1-(4-methylphenyl)but-3-en-1-amine (3e):¹⁰



White solid; mp 79-81 °C (pentane/CH₂Cl₂); $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ = -130 (*c* 0.94, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.34 (hexane/EtOAc: 1/2); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.19 (s, 9H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.39-2.52 (m, 1H), 2.52-2.63 (m, 1H), 3.66 (d, 1H, *J* = 1.3 Hz), 4.43 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 7.9, 5.4, 2.1 Hz), 5.12-5.23 (m, 2H), 5.73 (dddd, 1H, *J* = 17.0, 10.2, 8.5, 5.8 Hz), 7.14 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.21 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.2 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.3 (CH₃), 22.7 (CH₃), 43.6 (CH₂), 55.7 (C), 56.9 (CH), 119.3 (CH₂), 127.5 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 134.5 (CH), 137.4 (C), 138.8 (C); IR (KBr) 3200, 3060, 3032, 1455, 1049, 815 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 209 (M⁺-56, 7%), 168 (12), 167 (100), 160 (12), 145 (22), 131 (18), 119 (51), 118 (41), 91 (24).

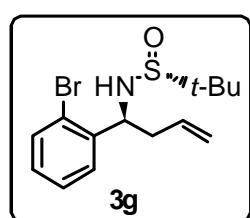
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(1*S*,*R*_S)-*N*-*tert*-Butanesulfinyl-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)but-3-en-1-amine (3f):¹⁰



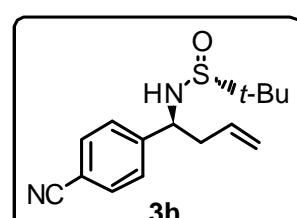
White solid; mp 75-78 °C (pentane/CH₂Cl₂); [α]_D²² = -128 (*c* 1.10, CH₂Cl₂); *R*_f 0.28 (hexane/EtOAc: 1/2); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.18 (s, 9H), 2.38-2.51 (m, 1H), 2.51-2.62 (m, 1H), 3.65 (d, 1H, *J* = 1.5 Hz), 3.80 (s, 3H), 4.42 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 7.9, 5.5, 2.0 Hz), 5.11-5.23 (m, 2H), 5.65-5.81 (m, 1H), 6.87 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 7.24 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.6 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.7 (CH₃), 43.6 (CH₂), 55.3 (CH₃), 55.6 (C), 56.6 (CH), 113.9 (CH), 119.2 (CH₂), 128.8 (CH), 133.7 (C), 134.5 (CH), 159.2 (C); IR (KBr) 3198, 3063, 3031, 1612, 1509, 1241, 1051, 1039 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 281 (M⁺, 1%), 225 (26), 207 (16), 183 (61), 176 (26), 162 (18), 161 (21), 147 (39), 136 (11), 135 (100), 134 (56), 91 (17), 77 (10).

(1*S*,*R*_S)-*N*-*tert*-Butanesulfinyl-1-(2-bromophenyl)but-3-en-1-amine (3g):¹¹



Colourless oil; [α]_D²⁰ -114 (*c* 0.98, CH₂Cl₂); *R*_f 0.48 (hexane/EtOAc 1:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.21 (s, 9H), 2.39-2.50 (m, 1H), 2.65-2.75 (m, 1H), 3.72 (d, 1H, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 4.98 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 8.1, 4.9, 3.1 Hz), 5.16-5.24 (m, 2H), 5.70-5.83 (m, 1H), 7.13 (td, 1H, *J* = 7.7, 1.7 Hz), 7.31 (td, 1H, *J* = 7.5, 1.0 Hz), 7.39 (dd, 1H, *J* = 7.8, 1.6 Hz), 7.55 (dd, 1H, *J* = 8.0, 1.1 Hz); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.7 (CH₃), 41.7 (CH₂), 56.0 (CH), 56.1 (C), 119.7 (CH₂), 123.6 (C), 127.5 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 129.0 (CH), 133.2 (CH), 133.9 (CH), 140.9 (C); IR (film) 3213, 1470, 1438, 1054, 1022, 913, 754 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 233 (M⁺-98, 4%), 231 (54), 194 (17), 184 (17), 182 (17), 152 (100), 134 (16), 130 (18), 129 (10), 116 (11), 115 (10), 103 (10), 102 (13), 91 (14), 77 (16).

(1*S*,*R*_S)-*N*-*tert*-Butanesulfinyl-1-(4-cyanophenyl)but-3-en-1-amine (3h):

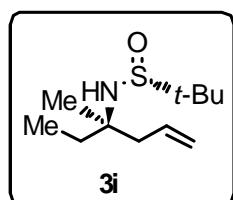


White solid; mp 144-147 °C (pentane/CH₂Cl₂); [α]_D²² = -129 (*c* 0.90, CH₂Cl₂); *R*_f 0.21 (hexane/EtOAc: 1/2); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.21 (s, 9H), 2.40-2.51 (m, 1H), 2.54-2.63 (m, 1H), 3.72 (br s, 1H), 4.47-4.60 (m, 1H), 5.14-5.25 (m, 2H), 5.65-5.71 (m, 1H), 7.44 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 7.64 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.7 (CH₃), 43.2 (CH₂), 56.1 (C), 56.7 (CH), 111.8 (C), 118.8 (C), 120.3

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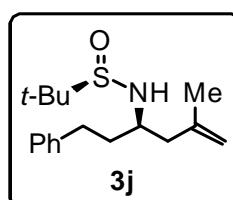
(CH₂), 128.4 (CH), 132.5 (CH), 133.3 (CH), 147.4 (C); IR (KBr) 3193, 3055, 3026, 2231, 1052 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 220 (M⁺-56, 5%), 179 (12), 178 (100), 161 (11), 130 (22), 129 (35); HRMS: Calculated for C₁₅H₂₁N₂OS (M⁺+1): 277.1375; found: 277.1373.

(3*R*,*R*_S)-*N*-(*tert*-Butanesulfinyl)-3-methylhex-5-en-3-amine (3i):¹²



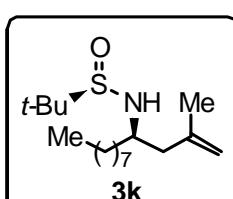
Colourless oil; [α]²⁰_D -54 (*c* 0.88, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.56 (hexane/EtOAc 1:2); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.89 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 1.20 (s, 9H), 1.26 (s, 3H), 1.56 (q, 2H, *J* = 7.4 Hz), 2.30-2.34 (m, 2H), 3.20 (s, 1H), 5.11-5.17 (m, 2H), 5.76-5.91 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.9, 22.7, 25.6 (CH₃), 33.4, 45.7 (CH₂), 55.7, 57.5 (C), 119.2 (CH₂), 133.5 (CH); IR (film) 3179, 2962, 2915, 1641, 1456, 1362, 1183, 1157, 1035, 1001, 938, 922, 903, 675 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 161 (M⁺-56, 31%), 161 (31), 160 (14), 143 (12), 120 (88), 119 (40), 110 (18), 104 (40), 97 (62), 96 (23), 81 (13), 74 (36), 73 (26), 72 (11), 71 (13), 70 (10), 69 (10), 57 (68), 56 (25), 55 (100).

(3*R*,*R*_S)-*N*-*tert*-Butanesulfinyl-5-methyl-1-phenylhex-5-en-3-amine (3j):⁹



Colourless oil; [α]²⁰_D -71 (*c* 0.72, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.26 (hexane/EtOAc 2:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.15 (s, 9H), 1.65 (s, 3H), 1.75-1.82 (m, 2H), 2.18-2.33 (m, 2H), 2.53-2.72 (m, 2H), 3.24 (d, 1H, *J* = 3.9 Hz), 3.33-3.43 (m, 1H), 4.72 (br s, 1H), 4.81 (br s, 1H), 7.08-7.23 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.1 (CH₃), 22.8 (CH₃), 31.6 (CH₂), 37.2 (CH₂), 44.5 (CH₂), 51.5 (CH), 55.9 (C), 114.5 (CH₂), 126.1 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 142.0 (C), 142.4 (C); IR (film) 3220, 3065, 3023, 2928, 2862, 1456, 1361, 1050 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 181 (M⁺-112, 18%), 132 (11), 117 (78), 91 (100), 77 (13), 65 (14), 41 (29).

(4*R*,*R*_S)-*N*-*tert*-Butanesulfinyl-2-methyldodec-1-en-4-amine (3k):¹³



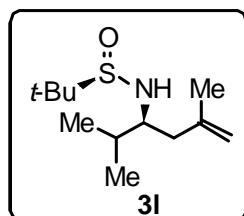
Colourless oil; [α]²⁰_D -61 (*c* 1.32, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.39 (hexane/EtOAc 2:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.88 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.1 Hz), 1.20 (s, 9H), 1.21-1.33 (m, 12H), 1.44-1.51 (m, 2H), 1.74 (s, 3H), 2.15-2.34 (m, 2H), 3.24 (br s, 1H), 3.33-3.34 (m, 1H), 4.79 (br s, 1H), 4.87 (br s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.2 (CH₃), 22.1 (CH₂), 22.7 (CH₃), 22.8 (CH₂), 25.2 (CH₂), 29.4

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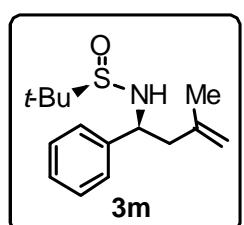
(CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 32.0 (CH₂), 35.4 (CH₂), 44.5 (CH₂), 51.5 (CH), 55.7 (C), 114.2 (CH₂), 142.7 (C); IR (film) 3220, 2925, 2854, 1456, 1362, 1056 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 245 (M⁺-56, 3%), 189 (48), 116 (10), 84 (36), 77 (28), 70 (85), 69 (31), 55 (44), 41 (100).

(3*S,R*_S)-*N*-*tert*-Butanesulfinyl-2,5-dimethylhex-5-en-3-amine (3l):¹³



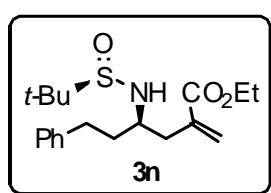
Colourless oil; [α]²⁰_D -92 (*c* 1.05, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.36 (hexane/EtOAc 2:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.89 (d, 3H, *J* = 5.7 Hz), 0.91 (d, 3H, *J* = 5.7 Hz), 1.21 (s, 9H), 1.76 (s, 3H), 1.95-1.99 (m, 1H), 2.10 (dd, 1H, *J* = 13.7, 9.7 Hz), 2.24 (dd, 1H, *J* = 13.7, 5.0 Hz), 3.18 (br s, 1H), 3.27-3.34 (m, 1H), 4.80 (br s, 1H), 4.88 (br s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.4 (CH₃), 17.7 (CH₃), 21.8 (CH₃), 22.8 (CH₃), 30.7 (CH), 39.9 (CH₂), 55.8 (CH), 60.5 (C), 114.3 (CH₂), 142.9 (C); IR (film) 3230, 2962, 2876, 1469, 1383, 1360, 1054 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 176 (M⁺-56, 4%), 119 (100), 69 (17), 57 (61), 56 (55), 55 (31), 41 (65).

(1*S,R*_S)-*N*-*tert*-Butanesulfinyl-3-methyl-1-phenylbut-3-en-1-amine (3m):¹³



White solid; mp 77-78 °C (pentane/CH₂Cl₂); [α]²⁰_D -149 (*c* 0.76, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.29 (hexane/EtOAc 2:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.19 (s, 9H), 1.79 (s, 3H), 2.40-2.44 (m, 2H), 3.71 (s, 1H), 4.49-4.54 (m, 1H), 4.87 (br s, 1H), 4.94 (br s, 1H), 7.26-7.35 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.9 (CH₃), 22.7 (CH₃), 48.0 (CH₂), 54.6 (CH), 55.7 (C), 115.1 (CH₂), 127.6 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 142.2 (C), 142.4 (C); IR (KBr) 3240, 3060, 3031, 1462, 1352, 1054 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 209 (M⁺-56, 3%), 153 (100), 145 (23), 136 (13), 105 (19), 104 (27), 77 (14), 57 (34), 41 (48).

(4*R,R*_S)-Ethyl *N*-(*tert*-butanesulfinyl)-4-amino-2-methylene-6-phenylhexanoate (3n):¹⁴

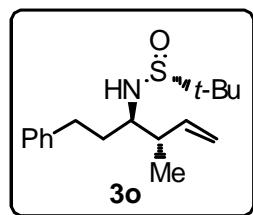


Colourless oil; [α]²⁰_D -35 (*c* 0.89, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.34 (hexane/EtOAc 1:1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.23 (s, 9H), 1.29 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.71-1.88 (m, 2H), 2.61-2.80 (m, 4H), 3.47-3.54 (m, 1H), 3.67 (d, 1H, *J* = 5.5 Hz), 4.20 (q, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 5.68 (br s, 1H), 6.30 (br s, 1H), 7.15-7.30 (5H, m, ArH); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.3, 22.9 (CH₃), 32.0, 37.5, 38.5 (CH₂), 55.2 (CH), 56.0 (C), 61.2 (CH₂), 126.0, 128.4 (CH), 128.5 (CH₂), 128.6 (CH), 137.2, 141.8 (C), 167.6 (CO); IR (film) 3222, 3061, 3026, 2951, 1712, 1454, 1176, 1052, 699

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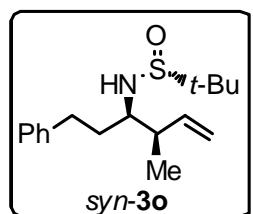
cm^{-1} ; MS (EI) m/z 295 (M^+-56 , 4%), 277 (27), 204 (100), 181 (18), 117 (62), 91 (87), 65 (14).

(3*R*,4*S*,*R*_S)-*N*-tert-Butanesulfinyl-4-methyl-1-phenylhex-5-en-3-amine (3o):



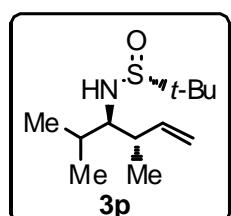
Light yellow solid; mp 46-48 °C (pentane/CH₂Cl₂); $[\alpha]^{20}_D = -23$ (*c* 0.49, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.23 (hexane/EtOAc: 3/1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.03 (d, 3H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 1.25 (s, 9H), 1.49-1.63 (m, 1H), 1.87 (dd, 1H, *J* = 13.7, 10.2, 6.7, 3.4 Hz), 2.56 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 13.7, 10.0, 6.7 Hz), 2.63-2.74 (m, 1H), 2.75-2.87 (m, 1H), 3.14-3.23 (m, 1H), 3.44 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 5.13-5.25 (m, 2H), 5.68 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 17.2, 10.2, 8.6 Hz), 7.13-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.23-7.33 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 16.5 (CH₃), 22.8 (CH₃), 32.5 (CH₂), 33.0 (CH₂), 43.2 (CH), 56.1 (C), 60.1 (CH), 117.8 (CH₂), 125.9 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 139.2 (CH), 141.8 (C); IR (KBr) 3295, 3065, 3034, 1458, 1057 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) m/z 237 (M^+-56 , 3%), 181 (36), 133 (13), 132 (13), 118 (12), 117 (86), 116 (11), 91 (100); HRMS: Calculated for C₁₇H₂₈NOS (M^++1): 294.1892; found: 294.1891.

(3*R*,4*R*,*R*_S)-*N*-tert-Butanesulfinyl-4-methyl-1-phenylhex-5-en-3-amine (*syn*-3o):



Colourless oil; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = -44$ (*c* 0.58, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.19 (hexane/EtOAc: 2/1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.11 (d, 3H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 1.25 (s, 9H), 1.69-1.82 (m, 3H), 1.92 (dd, 1H, *J* = 14.5, 10.4, 6.1, 4.0 Hz), 2.45-2.57 (m, 1H), 2.59-2.77 (m, 2H), 3.21 (dtd, 1H, *J* = 7.2, 5.8, 4.1 Hz), 3.39 (d, 1H, *J* = 5.9 Hz), 3.35-3.47 (m, 1H), 5.05-5.20 (m, 2H), 5.77 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 17.0, 10.6, 7.5 Hz), 7.13-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.24-7.32 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 15.6 (CH₃), 22.8 (CH₃), 31.5 (CH₂), 34.4 (CH₂), 41.7 (CH), 56.0 (C), 58.7 (CH), 116.5 (CH₂), 125.9 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 140.2 (CH), 142.0 (C); IR (film) 3290, 3064, 3033, 1460, 1055 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) m/z 237 (M^+-56 , 10%), 133 (21), 132 (22), 118 (11), 117 (74), 92 (10), 91 (100), 84 (40); HRMS: Calculated for C₁₇H₂₈NOS (M^++1): 294.1892; found: 294.1882.

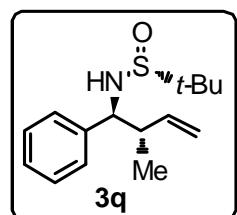
(3*R*,4*S*,*R*_S)-*N*-tert-Butanesulfinyl-2,4-dimethylhex-5-en-3-amine (3p):



Colourless oil; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +24$ (*c* 0.89, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.57 (hexane/EtOAc: 1/2); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.89 (d, 3H, *J* = 6.7 Hz), 0.97 (d, 3H, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 1.13 (d, 3H, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 1.23 (s, 9H), 1.82 (dtd, 1H, *J* = 13.5, 6.8, 5.4 Hz), 2.41-2.55 (m, 1H), 2.88 (dd, 1H, *J* = 11.4, 5.8 Hz),

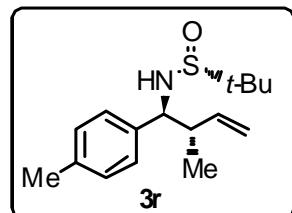
3.27 (br s, 1H), 5.05-5.19 (m, 2H), 5.86 (ddd, 1H, J = 17.2, 10.4, 7.6 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 17.9 (CH_3), 18.0 (CH_3), 21.0 (CH_3), 23.2 (CH_3), 31.5 (CH), 40.1 (CH), 56.5 (C), 64.7 (CH), 116.6 (CH_2), 140.9 (CH); IR (film) 3245, 1457, 1363, 1057 cm^{-1} ; MS (EI) m/z 175 (M^+-56 , 20%), 176 (11), 120 (100), 119 (23), 104 (10), 69 (11), 57 (33), 56 (12), 55 (19); HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{26}\text{NOS}$ (M^++1): 232.1735; found: 232.1724.

(1*S*,2*S*,*R*_S)-*N*-tert-Butanesulfinyl-1-phenyl-2-methylbut-3-en-1-amine (3q):



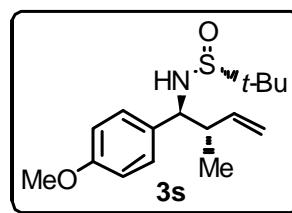
White solid; mp 70-72 °C (pentane/ CH_2Cl_2); $[\alpha]^{20}_D$ = -124 (c 0.95, CH_2Cl_2); R_f 0.30 (hexane/EtOAc: 1/2); ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 0.82 (d, 3H, J = 6.7 Hz), 1.16 (s, 9H), 2.32-2.49 (m, 1H), 3.93 (br s, 1H), 4.04 (d, 1H, J = 9.3 Hz), 5.19-5.30 (m, 2H), 5.74 (ddd, 1H, J = 17.1, 10.0, 9.3 Hz), 7.25-7.38 (m, 5H); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 17.7 (CH_3), 22.7 (CH_3), 46.6 (CH), 55.6 (C), 61.5 (CH), 117.8 (CH_2), 127.9 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 140.3 (C), 141.7 (CH); IR (KBr) 3296, 3062, 3030, 1456, 1059 cm^{-1} ; MS (EI) m/z 209 (M^+-56 , 24%), 155 (13), 154 (92), 153 (100), 146 (12), 145 (73), 136 (28), 131 (12), 117 (17), 105 (25), 104 (34), 91 (22), 77 (16), 57 (17); HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{24}\text{NOS}$ (M^++1): 266.1579; found: 266.1592.

(1*S*,2*S*,*R*_S)-*N*-tert-Butanesulfinyl-2-methyl-1-(4-methylphenyl)but-3-en-1-amine (3r):



Colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{20}_D$ = -138 (c 0.96, CH_2Cl_2); R_f 0.48 (hexane/EtOAc: 1/2); ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 0.81 (d, 3H, J = 6.7 Hz), 1.15 (s, 9H), 2.32-2.42 (m, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 3.91 (br s, 1H), 4.00 (d, 1H, J = 9.4 Hz), 5.19-5.27 (m, 2H), 5.65-5.80 (m, 1H), 7.14 (d, 2H, J = 8.2 Hz), 7.18 (d, 2H, J = 8.2 Hz); ^{13}C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 17.7 (CH_3), 21.3 (CH_3), 22.7 (CH_3), 46.7 (CH), 55.5 (C), 61.2 (CH), 117.6 (CH_2), 128.6 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 137.2 (C), 137.5 (C), 141.9 (CH); IR (film) 3281, 3070, 3034, 1456, 1060 cm^{-1} ; MS (EI) m/z 221 (M^+-56 , 6%), 205 (18), 168 (12), 167 (100), 151 (11), 150 (26), 149 (16), 145 (15), 119 (41), 118 (31), 117 (12), 91 (25); HRMS: Calculated for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{26}\text{NOS}$ (M^++1): 280.1735; found: 280.1737.

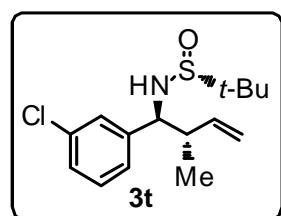
(1*S*,2*S*,*R*_S)-*N*-tert-Butanesulfinyl-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-methylbut-3-en-1-amine (3s):



Colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{20}_D$ = -140 (c 1.22, CH_2Cl_2); R_f 0.38 (hexane/EtOAc: 1/2); ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 0.80 (d, 3H, J

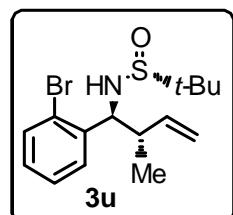
= 6.7 Hz), 1.15 (9H, s), 2.28-2.44 (m, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.92 (br s, 1H), 3.98 (d, 1H, *J* = 9.5 Hz), 5.18-5.28 (m, 2H, m), 5.73 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 17.1, 10.0, 9.4 Hz), 6.87 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.7 Hz), 7.22 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.7 Hz); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.7 (CH₃), 22.8 (CH₃), 46.8 (CH), 55.3 (CH₃), 55.5 (C), 60.9 (CH), 113.8 (CH), 117.6 (CH₂), 129.8 (CH), 132.1 (C), 141.9 (CH), 159.3 (C); IR (film) 3280, 1612, 1512, 1249, 1060, 1033 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 239 (M⁺-56, 16%), 223 (11), 221 (51), 184 (10), 183 (96), 167 (25), 166 (38), 165 (54), 161 (27), 150 (12), 136 (12), 135 (100), 134 (46), 133 (28), 91 (15), 77.1 (11); HRMS: Calculated for C₁₆H₂₆NO₂S (M⁺+1): 296.1684; found: 296.1678.

(1*S*,2*S*,*R*_S)-*N*-tert-Butanesulfinyl-1-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-methylbut-3-en-1-amine (3t):



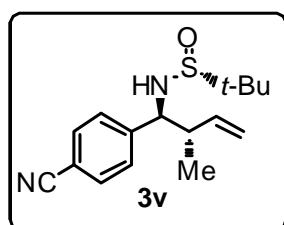
Colorless oil; [α]²⁰_D = -136 (*c* 1.02, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.48 (hexane/EtOAc: 1/2); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.84 (d, 3H, *J* = 6.7 Hz), 1.17 (s, 9H), 2.32-2.45 (m, 1H), 3.94 (br s, 1H), 4.04 (d, 1H, *J* = 9.3 Hz), 5.22-5.29 (m, 2H, m), 5.67-5.79 (m, 1H), 7.17-7.22 (m, 1H), 7.25-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.29-7.32 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.6 (CH₃), 22.7 (CH₃), 46.5 (CH), 55.8 (C), 61.1 (CH), 118.1 (CH₂), 127.2 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 129.7 (CH), 134.4 (C), 141.2 (CH), 142.6 (C); IR (film) 3282, 1473, 1062 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 243 (M⁺-56, 9%), 227 (17), 225 (27), 189 (38), 188 (12), 187 (100), 172 (18), 171 (20), 170 (44), 169 (17), 141 (12), 140 (16), 139 (38), 138 (29), 137 (13), 111 (10), 91 (15), 75 (12), 55 (10); HRMS: Calculated for C₁₅H₂₃³⁵ClNOS (M⁺+1): 300.1189; found: 300.1191.

(1*S*,2*S*,*R*_S)-*N*-tert-Butanesulfinyl-1-(2-bromophenyl)-2-methylbut-3-en-1-amine (3u):



Colorless oil; [α]²⁰_D = -124 (*c* 1.03, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.55 (hexane/EtOAc: 1/2); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.98 (d, 3H, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 1.15 (s, 9H), 2.54 (m, 1H), 3.84 (br s, 1H), 4.62-4.83 (m, 1H), 5.19-5.29 (m, 2H), 5.73-5.85 (m, 1H), 7.13 (ddd, 1H, *J* = 8.0, 6.9, 2.2 Hz), 7.28-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.56 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.0 (CH₃), 22.7 (CH₃), 45.7 (CH), 55.8 (C), 59.9 (CH), 118.0 (CH₂), 125.1 (C), 127.5 (CH), 129.0 (CH), 129.7 (CH), 133.0 (CH), 140.4 (C), 140.5 (CH); IR (film) 3278, 1471, 1062 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 289 (M⁺-56, 3%), 287 (2), 271 (19), 269 (14), 233 (57), 231 (55), 215 (12), 208 (24), 184 (19), 182 (16), 183 (12), 152 (100), 144 (11), 136 (43), 134 (21), 130 (20), 129 (16), 115 (14), 103 (10), 102 (17), 91 (29), 88 (15), 77 (18), 75 (10); HRMS: Calculated for C₁₅H₂₃⁷⁹BrNOS (M⁺+1): 344.0684; found: 344.0668.

(1*S*,2*S*,*R*_S)-*N*-*tert*-Butanesulfinyl-1-(4-cyanophenyl)-2-methylbut-3-en-1-amine (3v**):**



Colorless oil; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = -140$ (*c* 0.99, CH₂Cl₂); R_f 0.34 (hexane/EtOAc: 1/2); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.83 (d, 3H, *J* = 6.7 Hz), 1.17 (s, 9H), 2.32-2.47 (m, 1H), 3.96 (br s, 1H), 4.12 (d, 1H, *J* = 9.2 Hz), 5.21-5.32 (m, 2H), 5.64-5.79 (m, 1H), 7.43 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 7.56 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.5 (CH₃), 22.7 (CH₃), 46.3 (CH), 55.9 (C), 61.2 (CH), 111.9 (C), 118.6 (CH₂), 118.8 (CN), 129.5 (CH), 132.3 (CH), 140.7 (CH), 146.1 (C); IR (film) 3280, 1608, 1457, 1062 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 234 (M⁺-56, 9%), 179 (14), 178 (100), 161 (20), 156 (12), 130 (19), 129 (31); HRMS: Calculated for C₁₆H₂₃N₂OS (M⁺+1): 291.1531; found: 291.1528.

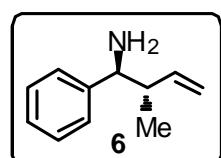
General procedure for the stereoselective crotylation of *N*-*tert*-butanesulfinyl imines **1 with crotyl bromide **5**:**

A mixture of *N*-*tert*-butanesulfinyl imine **1** (0.5 mmol), crotyl bromide (135 mg, 85%, 0.85 mmol) and indium (87 mg, 0.75 mmol) in dry THF (2 mL) was stirred for 6 h at 66 °C. Then, the resulting mixture was hydrolyzed with H₂O (5 mL), extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL), dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ and evaporated (15 Torr). The residue was purified by column chromatography (silica gel, hexane/EtOAc) to yield products **3o-v**. Yields are given on Table 3. Physical and spectroscopic are given above.

Desulfinylation of (*1S,2S,R_S*)-*N*-*tert*-Butanesulfinyl-1-phenyl-2-methylbut-3-en-1-amine (3q). Synthesis of (*S*)-2-Methyl-1-phenylbut-3-en-1-amine (6).

To a stirred solution of *N*-*tert*-butanesulfinyl amine **3q** (40 mg, 0.15 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL) was added a 6M HCl aqueous solution (0.39 mL) at 23 °C. After 1 h stirring at this temperature, the resulting mixture was basified with a 1M NaOH aqueous solution (5 mL). The reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc (2 × 10 mL), the organic layer was washed first with 1M NaOH aqueous solution (5 mL) and then with H₂O (5 mL), dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ and evaporated (15 Torr) to yield pure amine **6** (22.2 mg, 0.138 mmol, 92%). Physical and spectroscopic data follow.

(S)-2-Methyl-1-phenylbut-3-en-1-amine (6):¹⁵



Colourless oil; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +73$ (*c* 0.50, CHCl₃) {lit. $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +76$ (*c* 0.92, CHCl₃)};¹⁵ R_f 0.23 (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH: 9/1); ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.82 (d, 3H, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 2.02 (br s, 2H), 2.21-2.56 (m, 1H), 3.65 (d, 1H, *J* = 7.9 Hz), 5.08-5.25 (m, 2H), 5.66-5.82 (m, 1H), 7.22-7.28 (m, 1H), 7.29-7.37 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.8 (CH₃), 46.4 (CH), 60.8 (CH), 116.2 (CH₂), 127.3 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 141.7 (CH), 144.3 (C); IR (film) 3290, 3060, 2915, 1455, 915 cm⁻¹; MS (EI) *m/z* 106 (M⁺-55, 100%), 79 (19), 77 (11).

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