Supporting Information

Metal free decarboxylative aminoxylation of carboxylic acids using a biphasic solvent system

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1 Materials and methods

1.1 General information

¹H NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz with a BRUKER Avance-400 and BRUKER Ascend-400 or at 600 MHz with a BRUKER Ascend-600 spectrometer at 323 K. ¹⁹F NMR spectra were recorded at 376 MHz with a BRUKER Ascend-400 at 323 K. ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 100 MHz with a BRUKER Avance-400 and BRUKER Ascend-400 or at 150 MHz with a BRUKER Ascend-600 instrument. Multiplicities are described using the following abbreviations: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, qu = quintet, sex = sextet, h = heptet, m = multiplet, br = broad. Substitutions of carbons are described using the following abbreviations: p = primary, s = secondary, t = tertiary, q = quaternary. Chemical shift values of ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra are commonly reported in ppm relative to residual solvent signal as internal standard. The multiplicities refer to the resonances in the off-resonance decoupled spectra and were elucidated using phase-sensitive HSQC experiments.

Mass spectra were obtained with a lockspray dual ion source in combination with a WATERS Alliance 2695 LC system, or with a type Q-TOF premier (Micromass) spectrometer (ESI mode) in combination with a WATERS Acquity UPLC system equipped with a WATERS Acquity UPLC BEH C18 1.7 μ m (SN 01473711315545) column (solvent A: water + 0.1% {v/v} formic acid, solvent B: MeCN or MeOH {given in experimental part} + 0.1% {v/v} formic acid; flow rate = 0.4 mL/min; gradient {t [min]/solvent B [%]}: {0/5} {2.5/95} {6.5/95} {6.6/5} {8/5}; retention times {r_i} given in the experimental part}. Ion mass signals (*m/z*) are reported as values in atomic mass units.

High-resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) was measured with a Micromass LCT with lockspray source. The injection proceeded in loop-mode with a HPLC system by WATERS (Alliance 2695). Alternatively, mass spectra were recorded with an Acquity-UPLC system by WATERS in combination with a Q-Tof Premier mass spectrometer by WATERS in lockspray mode. The ionization happened by electrospray ionization (ESI) or by chemical ionization at atmospheric pressure (APCI). The calculated and found mass are reported. GC/MS analyses were carried out with an HP 6890 chromatograph with KAS 4, coupled to an HP 5973 quadrupole mass selective detector. Samples were analyzed on an Optima 5 column (poly(5%-phenyl-95%-methylsiloxane), 30 m x 0.32 mm i.d. x film thickness 0.25 μ m). Carrier gas, He; injector temp., 60 °C to 300 °C at 12 °C/min, splitless; temp. program: 50 °C (isothermal 1 min) to 300 °C, at 20 °C/min and held isothermal for 6 min at 300 °C; ion source: EI, ionization energy, 70 eV; electron mass spectra were acquired over the mass range of 40 – 500 amu.

Analytical thin-layer chromatography was performed using precoated silica gel plates (MACHERY NAGEL) and the spots were visualized with UV light at 254 nm or alternatively by staining with permanganate, 4-methoxybenzaldehyde or cerium sulfate solutions. Commercially available reagents, chromatography type or dry solvents were used as received or purified by standard techniques according to the literature.^[S1] (15-Oxo-7-azadispiro[5.1.5.3]hexadec-7-yl)oxidanyl (**14c**),^[S2] 2,5,5-trimethyl-2-phenylpyrrolidin-1-yloxyl (**14d**)^[S3] and 4-*tert*-butyl-2,2,6,6-tetraethyl-3-oxo-piperazin-1-oxyl (**14f**)^[S4] were synthesized according to literature-known procedures.

Flash column chromatography was performed using mesh silica by MACHERY NAGEL (grain size 40 - 63μ m), with the indicated solvent system according to the standard techniques.

Melting points were determined on an SRS OptiMelt apparatus and are not corrected.

2 Chemical syntheses

2.1 Decarboxylative aminoxylation of carboxylic acids

General procedure for synthesis of alkoxyamines

A vial charged with the carboxylic acid (200 μ mol, 1.00 equiv.), the aminoxyl radical (400 μ mol, 2.00 equiv.), potassium carbonate (41 mg, 300 μ mol, 1.50 equiv.) and potassium peroxodisulfate (54 mg, 200 μ mol, 1.00 equiv.) was evacuated and purged with argon. Then 1,2-dichloroethane (1.50 mL) and water (0.50 mL) were added. The biphasic mixture was allowed to stir 20 h at 80 °C under an argon atmosphere. Then, the reaction mixture was diluted water (5.00 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3x 10.0 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with a solution of NaCl (sat. in H₂O, 10.0 mL), dried over MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure.

1-(Benzhydryloxy)-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine (12a)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using diphenylacetic acid (**1a**) and TEMPO. The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1). The alkoxyamine **12a** was collected as a colorless solid (38 mg, 117 μ mol, 59%).

R_f = 0.34 (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1); ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ [ppm] 7.41 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 4H, Ar*H*), 7.30 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4H, Ar*H*), 7.19 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H, Ar*H*), 5.64 (s, 1H, CHON), 1.43-1.26 (m, 6H, 3x CH₂), 1.16 (s, 6H, 2x CH₃), 0.74 (s, 6H, 2x CH₃); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ [ppm] 144.6 (q, 2x ArC), 127.9 (t, 4x ArC), 126.5 (t, 4x ArC), 126.3 (t, 2x ArC), 90.5 (t, CON), 59.6 (q, 2×C(CH₃)₂), 40.2 (s, 2×CH₂), 33.7 (p, 2×CH₃), 20.2 (p, 2×CH₃), 16.9 (s, CH₂(CH₂)₂).

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.[S5]

1-(Benzyloxy)-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine (12b)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using phenylacetic acid and TEMPO. The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1). The alkoxyamine **12b** was collected as a pale-yellow oil (41 mg, 166 μ mol, 83%).

12b $\mathbf{R}_{f} = 0.50$ (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1); ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃, 600 MHz): δ [ppm] 7.38 - 7.28 (m, 5H, Ar*H*), 4.83 (s, 2H, C*H*₂ON), 1.64 - 1.34 (m, 6H, 3×C*H*₂), 1.26 (s, 6H, 2×C*H*₃), 1.16 (s, 6H, 2×C*H*₃); ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃, 150 MHz): δ [ppm] 138.5 (q, ArC), 128.4 (t, 2×ArC), 127.6 (t, 2×ArC), 127.4 (t, ArC), 78.9 (s, CH₂ON), 60.2 (q, 2×C(CH₃)₂), 39.9 (s, 2×C*H*₂), 33.2 (p, 2×C*H*₃), 20.4 (p, 2×C*H*₃), 17.3 (s, CH₂(CH₂)₂).

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.[S6]

2,2,6,6-Tetramethyl-1-phenethoxypiperidine (12c)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using 3-phenylpropanoic acid and TEMPO. The product was then purified using

flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1). The alkoxyamine **12c** was collected as a pale-yellow oil (33 mg, 126 μ mol, 63%).

R_f = 0.41 (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1); ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ [ppm] 7.30 – 7.17 (m, 5H, Ar*H*), 3.95 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H, C*H*₂ON), 2.83 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H, C*H*₂CH₂ON), 1.56 – 1.23 (m, 6H, 3x C*H*₂), 1.07 (s, 12H, 4x C*H*₃); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ [ppm] 139.8 (q, ArC), 129.2 (t, 2x ArC), 128.2 (t, 2x ArC), 126.0 (t, ArC), 77.6 (s, CH₂ON), 59.8 (q, 2×C(CH₃)₂), 39.7 (s, 2×CH₂), 35.5 (s, PhCH₂), 33.1 (p, 2×CH₃), 20.3 (p, 2×CH₃), 17.3 (s, CH₂(CH₂)₂).

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.[S7]

2,2,6,6-Tetramethyl-1-(4-phenylbutoxy)piperidine (12d)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using 5-phenylvaleric acid and TEMPO. The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1). The alkoxyamine **12d** was collected as a colorless oil (11 mg, 38 μ mol, 19%).

R_f = 0.27 (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1); ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ [ppm] 7.28 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.18 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 3H, ArH), 3.76 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂ON), 2.64 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H, PhCH₂), 1.71 (qi, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, PhCH₂CH₂), 1.60 – 1.53 (m, 2H, CH₂CH₂ON), 1.46 – 1.23 (m, 6H, 3x CH₂), 1.15 (s, 6H, 2x CH₃), 1.09 (s, 2x CH₃); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 150 MHz): δ [ppm] 142.8 (q, ArC), 128.6 (t, 2x ArC), 128.4 (t, 2x ArC), 125.8 (t, ArC), 76.7 (s, CH2ON), 59.8 (q, 2×C(CH₃)₂), 39.7 (s, 2×CH₂), 36.1 (s, PhCH₂), 33.2 (p, 2×CH₃), 28.6 (s, PhCH₂CH₂), 28.5 (s, CH₂CH₂ON), 20.3 (p, 2x CH₃), 17.3 (s, CH₂(CH₂)); **HRMS (ESI)** (*m/z*): calcd. for C₁₉H₃₁NO [M+H⁺]⁺ 290.2484, found 290.2484.

1-((4-Methoxybenzyl)oxy)-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine (12e)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using 4-methoxyphenylacetic acid and TEMPO. The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1). The alkoxyamine **12e** was collected as a pale-yellow oil (30 mg, 108 μ mol, 54%).

R_f = 0.31 (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1); ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ [ppm] 7.30 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H, ArH), 6.88 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H, ArH), 4.74 (s, 2H, CH₂ON), 6.88 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 1.62 – 1.33 (m, 6H, 3x CH₂), 1.27 (s, 6H, 2x CH₃), 1.14 (s, 6H, 2x CH₃); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ [ppm] 159.1 (q, ArC), 130.5 (q, ArC), 129.3 (t, 2x ArC), 113.8 (t, 2x ArC), 78.6 (s, CH₂ON), 60.1 (q, 2×C(CH₃)₂), 55.4 (p, OCH₃), 39.9 (s, 2×CH₂), 33.3 (p, 2×CH₃), 20.4 (p, 2×CH₃), 17.3 (s, CH₂(CH₂)₂).

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.[S8]

1-((4-Fluorobenzyl)oxy)-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine (12f)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using 4-fluorophenylacetic acid and TEMPO. The product was then purified using

flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1). The alkoxyamine **12f** was collected as a pale-yellow oil (41 mg, 155 μ mol, 77%).

R_f = 0.37 (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1); ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ [ppm] 7.32 (dd, J = 8.4, 5.6 Hz, 2H, Ar*H*), 7.02 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, Ar*H*), 4.78 (s, 2H, CH₂ON), 1.62 – 1.34 (m, 6H, 3x CH₂), 1.25 (s, 6H, 2x CH₃), 1.14 (s, 6H, 2x CH₃); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ [ppm] 162.3 (d, J = 245.0 Hz, q, ArCF), 134.1 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, q, ArC), 129.3 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, t, 2x ArC), 115.2 (d, J = 21.2 Hz, t, 2x ArC), 78.2 (d, J = 0.4 Hz, s, CH₂ON), 60.1 (q, 2×C(CH₃)₂), 39.8 (s, 2×CH₂), 33.2 (p, 2×CH₃), 20.4 (p, 2×CH₃), 17.2 (s, CH₂(CH₂)₂).

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.[S9]

2,2,6,6-Tetramethyl-1-((4-methylbenzyl)oxy)piperidine (12g)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using 4-methylphenylacetic acid and TEMPO. The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1). The alkoxyamine **12g** was collected as a colorless oil (37 mg, 142 μ mol, 71%).

R_f = 0.38 (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1); ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 600 MHz): δ [ppm] 7.27 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H, Ar*H*), 7.16 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H, Ar*H*), 4.79 (s, 2H, C*H*₂ON), 2.36 (s, 3H, PhC*H*₃), 1.64 – 1.35 (m, 6H, 3x C*H*₂), 1.28 (s, 6H, 2x C*H*₃), 1.16 (s, 6H, 2x C*H*₃); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 150 MHz): δ [ppm] 137.1 (q, ArC), 135.4 (q, ArC), 129.1 (t, 2x ArC), 127.8 (t, 2x ArC), 78.8 (s CH₂ON), 60.1 (q, $2 \times C(CH_3)_2$), 39.9 (s, $2 \times CH_2$), 33.3 (p, $2 \times CH_3$), 21.3 (p, PhCH₃), 20.4 (p, $2 \times CH_3$), 17.3 (s, $CH_2(CH_2)_2$).

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.[S9]

2,2,6,6-Tetramethyl-1-(1-phenylethoxy)piperidine (12h)



12h

This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using 2-phenylpropanoic acid and TEMPO. The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1). The alkoxyamine **12h** was collected as a colorless oil (32 mg, 122 μ mol, 61%).

 $\mathbf{R}_{f} = 0.39 \text{ (petroleum ether: EtOAc 50:1); }^{1}\mathbf{H}\text{-NMR} (CDCl_{3}, 400 \text{ MHz}): \delta \text{ [ppm] 7.43} - 7.29 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.25 - 7.21 (m, 1H, ArH), 4.79 (q,$ *J* $= 6.7 Hz, CHON), 1.62 - 1.34 (m, 6H, 3x CH_{2}), 1,49 (d,$ *J* $= 6.7 Hz, CH_{3}CHON), 1.30 (s, 3H, CH_{3}), 1.18 (s, 3H, CH_{3}), 1.04 (s, 3H, CH_{3}), 0.67 (s, 3H, CH_{3}); \\^{13}\mathbf{C}\text{-NMR} (CDCl_{3}, 100 \text{ MHz}): \delta \text{ [ppm] 146.0 (q, ArC), 128.1 (t, 2x ArC), 126.9 (t, ArC), 126.7 (t, 2x ArC), 83.3 (t, CHON), 59.8 (q, 2x C(CH_{3})_{2}), 40.5 (s, 2x CH_{2}), 34.6 (p, CH_{3}), 34.3 (p, CH_{3}), 23.7 (p, CH_{3}), 20.5 (p, 2x CH_{3}), 17.4 (s, CH_{2}(CH_{2})_{2}).$

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.^[S10]

2-Phenyl-2-((2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidin-1-yl)oxy)ethan-1-ol (12i)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using tropic acid and TEMPO. The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 15:1 -> 5:1). The alkoxyamine **12i** was collected as a pale yellow oil (32 mg, 115 μ mol, 58%).

R_f = 0.32 (petroleum ether:EtOAc 10:1); ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ [ppm] 7.38 – 7.28 (m, 5H, Ar*H*), 5.86 (bs, 1H, O*H*), 5.31 (dd, J = 9.5, 2.4 Hz, 1H, C*H*ON), 4.23 (dd, J = 12.2, 9.5 Hz, 1H, C*H*HOH), 3.73 (dd, J = 12.2, 2.6 Hz, 1H, CH*H*OH), 1.66 – 1.38 (m, 6H, 3x CH₂), 1.52 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.35 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.23 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.16 (s, 3H, CH₃); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ [ppm] 138.9 (q, ArC), 128.3 (t, 2x ArC), 127.9 (t, ArC), 126.8 (t, 2x ArC), 83.6 (t, CHON), 69.7 (s, CH₂OH), 61.7 (q, C(CH₃)₂), 60.4 (q, C(CH₃)₂), 40.4 (s, CH₂), 40.2 (s, CH₂), 34.6 (p, CH₃), 32.8 (p, CH₃), 20.7 (p, CH₃), 20.4 (p, CH₃), 17.2 (s, CH₂(CH₂)₂).

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.[S11]

2,2,6,6-Tetramethyl-1-(naphthalen-1-ylmethoxy)piperidine (12j)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using naphthaleneacetic acid and TEMPO. The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1). The alkoxyamine **12j** was collected as a colorless oil (45 mg, 151 μ mol, 76%).

R_f = 0.36 (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1); ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ [ppm] 8.05 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.88 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.80 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.65 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.56 – 7.47 (m, 3H, ArH), 5.33 (s, 2H, CH₂ON), 1.66 – 1.38 (m, 6H, 3x CH₂), 1.34 (s, 6H, 2x CH₃); 1.21 (s, 6H, 2x CH₃); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ [ppm] 134.6 (q, ArC), 133.6 (q, ArC), 131.4 (q, ArC), 128.6 (t, ArC), 127.7 (t, ArC), 126.0 (t, ArC), 125.6 (t, ArC), 125.6 (t, ArC), 125.0 (t, ArC), 124.0 (t, ArC), 77.0 (s, CH₂ON), 60.2 (q, 2× C(CH₃)₂), 39.9 (s, 2× CH₂), 33.3 (p, 2× CH₃), 20.5 (p, 2× CH₃), 17.3 (s, CH₂(CH₂)₂).

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.^[S12]

2,2,6,6-Tetramethylpiperidin-1-yl benzoate (12k)



12k

This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using phenylglyoxylic acid and TEMPO. The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether: Et_2O 6:1). The ester **12k** was collected as a colorless solid (20 mg, 77 μ mol, 38%).

R_f = 0.62 (petroleum ether:Et₂O 6:1); ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ [ppm] 8.07 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H, Ar*H*), 7.56 (tt, J = 7.4, 1.3 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.46 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H, Ar*H*), 1.81 – 1.43 (m, 6H, 3x CH₂), 1.27 (s, 6H, 2x CH₃), 1.12 s, 6H, 2x CH₃); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ [ppm] 166.5 (q, C=O), 133.0 (t, ArC), 129.9 (q, ArC), 129.7 (t, 2x ArC), 128.6 (t, 2x ArC), 60.5 (q, 2×C(CH₃)₂), 39.2 (s, 2×CH₂), 32.1 (p, 2×CH₃), 21.0 (p, 2×CH₃), 17.1 (s, CH₂(CH₂)₂).

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.^[S13]

(4-Chlorophenyl)(5-methoxy-2-methyl-3-(((2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidin-1-yl)oxy)methyl)-1H-

indol-1-yl)methanone (12l)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using indomethacin and TEMPO. The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 10:1). The alkoxyamine **12I** was afforded as a yellow oil (28 mg, 60 μ mol, 31%).

R_f = 0.43 (petroleum ether:EtOAc 10:1); ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ [ppm] ; 7.76 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ar*H*), 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ar*H*), 7.22 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 6.92 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 6.74 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 1.6 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 4.99 (s, 2H, C*H*₂ON), 3.91 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 2.51 (s, 3H, ArC*H*₃), 1.70 – 1.46 (m, 6H, 3x C*H*₂), 1.44 (s, 6H, 2x C*H*₃), 1.20 (s, 6H, 2x C*H*₃); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ [ppm] 168.6 (q, *C*=ON), 156.0 (q, ArCOCH₃), 139.4 (q, ArCCl),

136.5 (q, ArCCH₃), 134.1 (q, ArCC=O), 131.4 (t, 2x ArC), 131.04 (q, ArC), 131.03 (q, ArC), 129.3 (t, 2x ArC), 116.8 (q, ArCCH₂ON), 114.9 (t, ArC), 111.6 (t, ArC), 102.2 (t, ArC), 69.9 (s, CH₂ON), 60.0 (q, $2 \times C(CH_3)_2$), 55.8 (p, OCH₃), 39.9 (s, $2 \times CH_2$), 33.6 (p, $2 \times CH_3$), 20.3 (p, $2 \times CH_3$), 17.3 (s, $CH_2(CH_2)_2$), 13.7 (p, $CH_3CNC=O$); **HRMS (ESI)** (*m/z*): calcd. for $C_{27}H_{33}N_2O_3NaCl$ [M+Na⁺]⁺ 491.2077, found 491.2073.

1-(1-(4-lsobutylphenyl)ethoxy)-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine (12m)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using ibuprofen and TEMPO. The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1). The alkoxyamine **12m** was afforded as a pale-yellow oil (38 mg, 120 μ mol, 60%).

R_f = 0.36 (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1); ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ [ppm] 7.22 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H, Ar*H*), 7.08 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H, Ar*H*), 4.75 (q, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H, C*H*ON), 2.46 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H, PhC*H*₂), 1.86 (h, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H, C*H*(CH₃)₂), 1.54 – 1.27 (m, 6H, 3x C*H*₂), 1.48 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 3H, C*H*₃CHON), 1.29 (s, 3H, C*H*₃), 1.17 (s, 3H, C*H*₃), 1.03 (s, 3H, C*H*₃), 0.89 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 6H, 2x (C*H*₃)₂CH), 0.63 (s, 3H, C*H*₃); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ [ppm] 143.1 (q, ArCCH₂), 140.3 (q, ArCCH), 128.8 (t, 2x ArC), 126.6 (t, 2x ArC), 82.9 (t, CHON), 59.8 (q, 2×C(CH₃)₂), 45.3 (s, ArCH₂), 40.5 (s, 2× CH₂), 34.5 (p, CH₃), 34.2 (p, CH₃), 30.4 (p, CH₃CHON), 29.8 (t, CH(CH₃)₂), 23.4 (p, CCH₃), 22.50 (p, CH₃CH), 22.49 (p, CH₃CHCH₂), 20.5 (p, CCH₃), 17.4 (s, CH₂(CH₂)₂).

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.^[S14]

1-(Benzyloxy)-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidin-4-ol (15a)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using phenylacetic acid and 4-OH-TEMPO (**14a**). The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 2:1 -> 1:1). The alkoxyamine **15a** was collected as a pale-yellow oil (39 mg, 148 μ mol, 74%).

R_f = 0.44 (petroleum ether:EtOAc 3:2); ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 600 MHz): δ [ppm] 7.41 – 7.38 (m, 4H, Ar*H*), 7.35 – 7.32 (m, 1H, Ar*H*), 4.88 (s, 2H, C*H*₂ON), 4.07 (t, *J* = 11.0 Hz, 1H, C*H*OH), 1.90 (d, *J* = 10.6 Hz, C*H*₂, 2H), 1.58 (t, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 2H, C*H*₂), 1.35 (s, 6H, 2x C*H*₃), 1.26 (s, 6H, 2x C*H*₃); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 150 MHz): δ [ppm] 137.3 (q, ArC), 127.6 (t, 2x ArC), 126.8 (t, 2x ArC), 126.7 (t, ArC), 78.2 (s, CH₂ON), 62.5 (t, CHOH). 59.6 (q, 2× C(CH₃)₂), 47.7 (s, 2× C*H*₂), 32.5 (p, 2× CH₃), 20.5 (p, 2× CH₃).

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.^[S14]

N-(1-(Benzyloxy)-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidin-4-yl)acetamide (15b)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using phenylacetic acid and 4-acetamido-TEMPO (**14b**). The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (dichloromethane:MeOH 95:5). The alkoxyamine **15b** was collected as a colorless solid (50 mg, 164 μ mol, 82%).

R_f = 0.41 (dichloromethane:MeOH 95:5); **mp.** = 126 °C; ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 600 MHz): δ [ppm] 7.35 – 7.33 (m, 4H, Ar*H*), 7.30 – 7.27 (m, 1H, Ar*H*), 5.44 (bs, 1H, N*H*), 4.82 (s, 2H, C*H*₂ON), 4.17 (t, *J* = 13.3 Hz, 1H, C*H*NH), 1.96 (s, 3H, C*H*₃C=O), 1.82 (dd, *J* = 12.3, 3.1 Hz, 2H, C*H*₂), 1.38 (t, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 2H, C*H*₂), 1.28 (s, 6H, 2x C*H*₃), 1.26 (s, 6H, 2x C*H*₃); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 150 MHz): δ [ppm] 169.2 (q, C=O), 137.3 (q, ArC), 128.2 (t, 2x ArC), 127.3 (t, 3x ArC), 78.7 (s, CH₂ON), 60.1 (q, 2× C(CH₃)₂). 45.7 (s, 2× C*H*₂), 40.9 (t, CHNH), 32.9 (p, 2× CH₃), 23.5 (s, CH₃), 20.7 (p, 2× CH₃); **HRMS (ESI)** (*m/z*): calcd. for C₁₈H₂₉N₂O₂ [M+H⁺]⁺ 305.2229, found 305.2228.

7-(Benzyloxy)-7-azadispiro[5.1.5⁸.3⁶]hexadecan-15-one (15c)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using phenylacetic acid and (15-oxo-7-azadispiro[5.1.5.3]hexadec-7-yl)oxidanyl (**14c**). The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 9:1). The alkoxyamine **15c** was collected as a colorless oil (40 mg, 117 μ mol, 58%).

R_f = 0.35 (petroleum ether:EtOAc 9:1); ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ [ppm] 7.38 – 7.28 (m, 5H, Ar*H*), 4.92 (s, 2H, C*H*₂ON), 2.78 (d, *J* = 13.3 Hz, 2H, 2x C*H*HC=O), 2.38 (d, *J* = 13.4 Hz, 2H, 2x CH*H*C=O), 2.03 (td, *J* = 19.5, 4.3 Hz, 2H, C*H*₂), 1.97 (td, *J* = 12.6, 3.7 Hz, 2H, C*H*₂), 1.80 – 1.56 (m, 10H, 5x C*H*₂), 1.43 – 1.26 (m, 4H, 2x C*H*₂), 1.18 – 1.07 (m, 2H, C*H*₂); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ [ppm] 209.4 (q, C=O), 137.6 (q, ArC), 128.5 (t, 2x ArC), 127.7 (q, ArC), 127.4 (t, 2x ArC), 79.5 (s, CH₂ON), 67.6 (q, 2x CCy), 47.2 (s, 2x CH₂C=O), 39.2 (s, 2x CH₂), 32.5 (s, 2x CH₂), 25.6 (s, 2x CH₂), 23.1 (s, 2x CH₂), 22.8 (s, 2x CH₂); **HRMS (ESI)** (*m*/*z*): calcd. for C₂₂H₃₁NO₂ [M+H⁺]⁺ 342.2433, found 342.2436.

1-(Benzyloxy)-2,2,5-trimethyl-5-phenylpyrrolidine (15d)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using phenylacetic acid and 2,5,5-trimethyl-2-phenylpyrrolidin-1-yloxyl (**14d**). The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum

ether: EtOAc 50:1). The alkoxyamine **15d** was afforded as a colorless oil (35 mg, 122 μ mol, 61%).

R_f = 0.45 (petroleum ether:EtOAc 20:1); ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ [ppm] 7.37 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.37 – 7.22 (m, 8H, ArH), 4.65 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHHON), 4.51 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHHON), 2.06 – 1.92 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.77 – 1.67 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.65 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.30 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.29 (s, 3H, CH₃); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ [ppm] 151.2 (q, ArC), 138.3 (q, ArC), 128.4 (t, 2x ArC), 128.2 (t, 2x ArC), 127.9 (t, 2x ArC), 127.6 (q, ArC), 126.3 (t, 2x ArC), 126.0 (t, ArC), 77.6 (s, CH₂ON), 68.5 (q, C(CH₃)Ph), 64.6 (q, C(CH₃)₂), 39.3 (s, CH₂), 36.0 (s, CH₂), 30.4 (p, CH₃), 23.5 (p, 2x CH₃); **HRMS (ESI)** (*m*/*z*): calcd. for C₂₀H₂₆NO [M+H⁺]⁺ 296.2014, found 296.2013.

1-(Benzyloxy)-2,2,5,5-tetramethyl-2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-3-carboxamide (15e)



This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using phenylacetic acid and 3-carbamoyl-2,2,5,5-tetramethyl-2,5dihydropyrrol-1-oxyl (**14e**). The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 3:2). The alkoxyamine **15e** was collected as a colorless solid (17 mg, 62 μ mol, 31%).

R_f = 0.29 (petroleum ether:EtOAc 3:2); **mp.** = 123 °C; ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ [ppm] 7.40 – 7.28 (m, 5H, Ar*H*), 6.05 (s, 1H, C*H*=CONH₂), 5.59 (bs, 2H, N*H*₂), 4.85 (s, 2H, C*H*₂ON), 1.45 (s, 6H, 2x C*H*₃), 1.27 (s, 6H, 2x C*H*₃); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ [ppm] 166.8 (q, CONH₂), 139.7 (q, CCONH₂), 139.5 (t, CH=CCONH₂), 138.2 (q, ArC), 128.6 (t, 2x ArC), 128.4 (t, 2x ArC), 127.9 (t, ArC), 79.5 (CH₂ON), 70.9 (q, C(CH₃)₂), 68.0 (q, C(CH₃)₂), 29.8 (p, 2x CH₃), 23.1 (p, 2x CH₃); **HRMS (ESI)** (*m*/*z*): calcd. for C₁₆H₂₃N₂O₂ [M+H⁺]⁺ 275.1760, found 275.1775.



4-(Benzyloxy)-1-(tert-butyl)-3,3,5,5-tetraethylpiperazin-2-one (15f)

This compound was prepared according to the general procedure using phenylacetic acid and 4-*tert*-butyl-2,2,6,6-tetraethyl-3-oxo-piperazin-1-oxyl (**14f**). The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:MTBE 10:1). The alkoxyamine **15f** was collected as a colorless viscous oil (22 mg, 59 μ mol, 29%).

R_f = 0.33 (petroleum ether:MTBE 10:1); ¹**H-NMR** (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): δ [ppm] 7.36 – 7.26 (m, 5H, ArC), 4.76 (q, J = 12.4 Hz, 2H, CH_2 ON), 3.23 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H, CHHN), 3.07 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 1H, CHHN), 2.07 – 1.93 (m, 2H, CH_2 CH₃), 1.89 – 1.70 (m, 4H, 2x CH_2 CH₃), 1.63 – 1.56 (m, 2H, CH_2 CH₃), 1.41 (s, 3xCCH₃), 1.00 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 9H, 3x CH_2CH_3), 0.92 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H, CH_2CH_3); ¹³**C-NMR** (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): δ [ppm] 173.2 (q, *C*=ON), 137.6 (q, ArC), 128.4 (t, ArC), 127.9 (t, ArC), 127.7 (q, ArC), 77.9 (s, CH_2 ON), 73.0 (q, $COC(C_2H_5)_2$), 62.8 (q, $CH_2C(C_2H_5)_2$), 57.4 (q, $C(CH_3)_3$), 47.1 (s, CH_2 N), 33.1 (s, CH_2CH_3), 29.0 (), 28.3 (p, 3x $C(CH3)_3$), 26.5 (s, CH_2CH_3), 24.2 (s, CH_2CH_3), 11.4 (p, CH_2CH_3), 9.4 (p, CH_2CH_3), 9.1 (p, CH_2CH_3), 8.2 (p, CH_2CH_3); **HRMS (ESI)** (*m*/*z*): calcd. for $C_{23}H_{38}N_2O_2Na$ [M+Na⁺]⁺ 397.2831, found 397.2831.

2.2 Total Synthesis of (±)-Indatraline

1,1,2,2,3,3,4,4,5,5,5-Undecafluoropentane-1-sulfonyl azide (S1)



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Perfluorobutanesulfonyl fluoride (2.00 g, 6.36 mmol, 1.00 equiv.) was added to a solution of sodium azide (413 mg, 6.63 mmol, 1.00 equiv.) in dry methanol (7.30 mL). The mixture was stirred for 18 h at ambient temperature. Then, it was passed over a fritted glass funnel to remove the solid precipitates. The

filtrate was diluted with H_2O (10.0 mL). The fluorous phase was collected and dried over sodium sulfate to afford the neat nonaflyl azide (**S1**) as a colorless oil (1.06 g, 3.25 mmol, 51%).

¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, CDCl₃): δ [ppm] -80.9 (tt, *J* = 14.5, 2.5 Hz, 3F, C*F*₃), -189.6 (tq, *J* = 20.5, 2.5 Hz, 2F, C*F*₂CF₃), -121.1 – -121.2 (m, 2F, SO₂CF₂C*F*₂), -126.0 – -126.2 (m, 2F, SO₂C*F*₂); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ [ppm] 118.9 – 118.0 (m, 1C, CF₃), 166.0 – 115.0 (m, 1C, CF₂SO₂), 113.7 – 105.3 (m, 2C, 2xCF₂).

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.^[S15]

((4-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1-yl)oxy)trimethylsilane (19)



To a solution of the tetralone **18** (1.00 g, 3.26 mmol, 1.00 equiv.) in dry CH_2CI_2 (5.00 mL) trimethylamine (498 μ L, 3.59 mmol, 1.10 equiv.) and TMSOTf (591 μ L, 13.26 mmol, 1.00 equiv.) were added at 0 °C. The reaction was stirred at the same temperature for 30 min, and immediately subjected to flash column chromatography on silica that had been pre-treated with ethyl acetate and petroleum ether (1:10). The compound was eluted with petroleum ether. The silyl enol ether **19** was obtained as a colorless oil (1.13 g, 3.11 mmol, 95%) and stored in a dry flask under argon at 0 °C until future use.

R_f = 0.20 (petroleum ether); ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ [ppm] 7.51 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.31 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.24 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar*H*), 7.12 (td, J = 11.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.00 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.9 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 6.81 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 5.07 (t, J = 4.6 Hz, 1H, C*H*=COTMS), 4.02 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, C*H*Ar), 2.70 (ddd, J = 16.5, 7.0, 4.5 Hz, 1H, C*H*H), 2.52 (ddd, J = 16.5, 8.2, 4.8 Hz, 1H, CH*H*), 0.24 (s, 9H, Si(C*H*₃)₃); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ [ppm] 148.2 (q. COTMS), 144.9 (q, ArC), 138.0 (q, ArC), 133.5 (q, ArC), 132.4 (q, ArC), 130.44 (q, ArC), 130.38 (t, ArC), 130.35 (t, ArC), 128.1 (t, ArC), 128.0 (t, ArC), 127.6 (t, ArC), 127.2 (t, ArC), 122.6 (t, ArC), 103.0 (t, CH=COTMS), 43.3 (t, CHAr), 30.7 (s, CH₂), 0.4 (p, 3x CH₃); **HRMS (EI)** (*m*/z) calcd. for C₁₉H₂₀Cl₂OSi 362.0660, found 362.0669.



3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-N-((perfluorobutyl)sulfonyl)-2,3-dihydro-

1H-indene-1-carboxamide (20)

TMS-enol ether **19** (500 mg, 1.38 mmol, 1.00 equiv.) was added to a solution of perfluorobutanesulfonyl azide (**S1**) (492 mg, 1.51 mmol, 1.10 equiv.) in acetonitrile (4.60 mL) at ambient temperature. The reaction mixture was then stirred for 20 h at 40 °C. Subsequently, the solvent was removed by evaporation. The residue obtained was

purified by flash-column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/EtOAc = 1:0 -> 1:1). The *N*-acyl sulfonamide **20** was obtained as an inseparable mixture of diastereomers (*anti:syn* 9:1) as a colorless solid (571 mg, 971 μ mol, 71% yield).

R_f = 0.41 (CH₂Cl₂/EtOAc = 1:1); **mp.** = 96-99 °C; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO): δ [ppm] 7.58 − 7.53 (m, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.47 − 7.38 (m, 2H, Ar*H*), 7.24 − 7.11 (m, 3H, Ar*H*), 6.87 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*, major), 6.77 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*, minor), 4.55 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, C*H*C=O, major), 4.33 (t, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H, C*H*C=O, minor), 3.96 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 3.9 Hz, 1H, C*H*(C₆H₃Cl₂), major), 3.87 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H, C*H*(C₆H₃Cl₂), minor), 2.79 (ddd, *J* = 12.7, 8.5, 4.2 Hz, 1H, C*H*H, major), 2.66 − 2.58 (m, 1H, C*H*H, minor), 2.32 − 2.23 (m, 1H, C*H*H, minor), 2.09 (dt, *J* = 12.9, 7.7 Hz, 1H, CH*H*, major); ¹⁹**F NMR** (376 MHz, MeOD): δ [ppm] -82.7 (tt, *J* = 10.0, 2.6 Hz, 3F, C*F*₃), -114.0 (t, *J* = 14.3 Hz, 2F, C*F*₂SO2), -122.4 − -122.6 (m, 2F, C*F*₂CF₃), -127.3 − -127.4 (m, 2F, C*F*₂CF₂SO₂); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*6): δ [ppm] 177.3 (q, CON), 146.9 (q, ArC), 145.9 (q, ArC), 143.7 (q, ArC), 131.0 (q, ArC), 130.7 (t, ArC), 129.7 (t, ArC), 128.8 (q, ArC), 128.1 (t, ArC), 127.1 (t, ArC), 126.7 (t, ArC), 125.0 (t, ArC), 124.4 (t, ArC), 118.5 − 110.5 (m, 4C, CF₂CF₂CF₂CF₃), 53.2 (t, CHC=O), 48.9 (t, CH(C₆H₃Cl₂)), 38.8 (s, CH₂); **HRMS (ESI)** (*m*/*z*): calcd. for C₂₀H₁₁NO₃SCl₂F₉ [M − H⁺]⁻ 585.9693, found 585.9695.

3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-indene-1-carboxylic acid (21)



N-acyl sulfonamide **20** (552 mg, 938 μ mol, 1.00 equiv.) was dissolved in a mixture of 1,4-dioxane (9.40 mL) and sulfuric acid (25% in H₂O, 9.40 mL). The reaction mixture was refluxed for 20 h. Subsequently, water (5.00 mL) and CH₂Cl₂ (5.00 mL) were added. The phases were separated and the aqueous phase was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x 5.00 mL). The combined organic phases were basified with NaOH (1M in H₂O, 20.0 mL). The phases were separated and the organic phase was extracted with NaOH (1M in H₂O, 20.0 mL). The phases were separated and the organic phase was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (20.0 mL) and CH₂Cl₂ (20.0 mL).

(37% in H₂O). The white suspension was extracted with EtOAc (3x 50.0 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over MgSO₄, filtrated and concentrated under reduced pressure. Residues of nonaflyl amine were removed by sublimation at 80 °C under high vacuum. The carboxylic acid **21** was obtained a pale-yellow solid (251 mg, 817 μ mol, 87% yield).

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ [ppm] 12.52 (bs, 1H, CO₂*H*), 7,59 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H Ar*H*, minor), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*, major), 7.47 – 7.42 (m, 2H, Ar*H*), 7.27 – 7.15 (m, 3H, Ar*H*), 6.91 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*, major), 6.86 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*, minor), 4.59 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, C*H*CO₂H, major), 4.41 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H, C*H*CO₂H, minor), 4.17 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 3.3 Hz, 1H, CH(C₆H₃Cl₂), major), 4.09 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H, CH(C₆H₃Cl₂), minor), 2.79 (ddd, *J* = 13.1, 8.4, 4.1 Hz, 1H, C*H*H), 2.24 (dt, *J* = 13.2, 8.1 Hz, 1H, CH*H*); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ [ppm] 174.6 (q, CO₂H), 146.2 (q, ArC), 145.9 (q, ArC), 141.4 (q, ArC), 131.1 (q, ArC), 130.7 (t, ArC), 129.9 (t, ArC), 129.0 (q, ArC), 128.2 (t, ArC), 127.8 (t, ArC), 127.2 (t, ArC), 125.0 (t, ArC), 124.7 (t, ArC), 48.9 (t, CHC=O), 48.6 (t, CH(C₆H₃Cl₂)), 38.2 (s, CH₂).

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.^[S16]

1-((3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-yl)oxy)-2,2,6,6-



tetramethylpiperidine (22)

A vial charged with the carboxylic acid **21** (62 mg, 200 μ mol, 1.00 equiv.), TEMPO (64 mg, 400 μ mol, 2.00 equiv.), potassium carbonate (41 mg, 300 μ mol, 1.50 equiv.) and potassium peroxodisulfate (54 mg, 200 μ mol, 1.00 equiv.) was evacuated and purged with argon. Then 1,2-dichloroethane (1.50 mL) and water (0.50 mL) were added. The biphasic mixture was allowed to stir 20 h at 80 °C under an argon atmosphere. Then, the reaction mixture was diluted water (5.00 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3x 10.0 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with a solution of NaCl (sat. in H₂O, 10.0 mL), dried over MgSO₄,

filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The product was then purified using flash column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 50:1 -> 10:1). The alkoxyamine **22** was collected as an inseparable mixture of diastereomers (*anti:syn* 1:1.3) as a viscous red oil (43 mg, 103 μ mol, 51%).

R_f = 0.41 (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 20:1); ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ [ppm] 7.68 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, ArH, minor), 7.64 (t, J = 4.3 Hz, 1H, ArH, major), 7.41 – 7.22 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.09 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, ArH, minor), 6.99 (t, J = 3.9 Hz, 1H, ArH, major), 6.94 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, ArH, major), 6.89 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H, ArH, minor), 5.46 (t, J = 4.9 Hz, 1H, CHON, major), 5.41 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, CHON, minor), 4.48 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H, $CH(C_6H_3Cl_2)$, major), 3.99 (dd, J = 10.1, 6.8 Hz, 1H, $CH(C_6H_3Cl_2)$, minor), 3.00 (dt, J = 10.1, 6.8 Hz, 1H, $CH(C_6H_3Cl_2)$, minor)), 3.00 (dt, J = 10.1, 6.8 Hz, 1H, $CH(C_6H_3Cl_2)$, minor)), 3.00 (dt, J = 10.1, 6.8 Hz, 1H, $CH(C_6H_3Cl_2)$, minor)), 3.00 (dt, J = 10.1, 6.8 Hz, 1H, $CH(C_6H_3Cl_2)$, minor)), 3.00 (dt, J = 10.1, 6.8 Hz, 1H, $CH(C_6H_3Cl_2)$, minor)), 3.00 (dt, J = 10.1, 6.8 Hz, 1H, $CH(C_6H_3Cl_2)$, minor)), 3.00 (dt, J = 10.1, 6.8 Hz, 1H, $CH(C_6H_3Cl_2)$, minor)), 3.00 (dt, J = 10.1, 6.8 Hz, 1H, $CH(C_6H_3Cl_2)$, minor)), 3.00 (dt, J = 10.1, 6.8 Hz, 1H, $CH(C_6H_3Cl_2)$, 6.8 Hz, 1H, $CH(C_6H_3Cl_2)$, 6.8 Hz, 1H, $CH(C_6H_3Cl_2)$, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH(C_6H_3 12.3, 6.4 Hz, 1H, CHH, minor), 2.72 (ddd, J = 12.5, 7.7, 4.2 Hz, 1H, CHH, major), 2.28 (dt, J = 12.9, 6.3 Hz, 1H, CHH, major), 2.02 (q, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H, CHH, minor), 1.59 – 1.13 (m, 15H, 3x CH₂ + 3x CH₃), 0.87 (s, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ [ppm]; 146.1 (q, ArC, major), 145.5 (q, ArC, major), 144.5 (q, ArC, minor), 144.3 (q, ArC, minor), 144.1 (q, ArC, minor), 144.0 (q, ArC, major), 132.6 (q, ArC, minor), 132.5 (q, ArC, major), 130.59 (q, ArC, major), 130.58 (t, ArC, minor), 130.53 (t, ArC, minor), 130.49 (t, ArC, major), 130.3 (q, ArC, minor), 130.0 (t, ArC, major), 128.8 (t, ArC, major), 128.2 (t, ArC, minor), 128.0 (t, ArC, minor), 127.5 (t, ArC, major), 127.1 (t, ArC, minor), 126.8 (t, ArC, major), 126.7 (t, ArC, major),125.0 (t, ArC, major), 124.7 (t, ArC, minor), 124.5 (t, ArC, minor), 87.3 (t, CHON, minor), 86.0 (t, CHON, major), 61.2 (q, C(CH₃)₂, major), 60.3 (q, C(CH₃)₂, minor), 59.9 (q, C(CH₃)₂, minor), 59.1 (q, C(CH₃)₂, major), 48.4 (t, CH(C₆H₃Cl₂, major), 47.6 (s, CH₂, minor), 47.4 (t, CH(C₆H₃Cl₂, minor), 44.7 (s, CH₂, major), 40.6 (s, 2x CH₂C(CH₃)₂, minor), 40.5 (s, 2x CH₂C(CH₃)₂, major), 34.91 (p, CH₃, minor), 34.86 (p, CH₃, major), 33.4 (p, CH₃, major), 33.2 (p, CH₃, minor), 20.6 (p, 2x CH₃, major), 20.5 (p, 2x CH₃, minor), 17.4 (s, CH₂(CH₂)₂, major), 17.3 (s, CH₂(CH₂)₂, minor); HRMS (ESI) (m/z): calcd. for C₂₄H₂₉Cl₂NO [M + H⁺]⁺ 418.1704, found 418.1708.

3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-one (23)



To a solution of the alkoxyamine **22** (80 mg, 191 μ mol, 1.00 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ (3.00 mL), *m*CPBA was added portionwise at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 90 min, then, the aqueous Na₂S₂O₃ (5.00 mL) was added to quench the reaction and the phases were separated. The aqueous phase was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x 5.00 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with aqueous NaHCO₃ (10.0 mL) and with brine (10.0 mL), dried over MgSO₄,

filtered and concentrated. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 15:1 -> 5:1) and washed with ice-cold petroleum ether. The indenone **23** was collected as colorless solid (49 mg, 177 μ mol, 92%).

R_f = 0.26 (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 10:1); ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ [ppm] 7.83 (d. *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.61 (td. *J* = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.46 (t. *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.38 (d. *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.26 (d. *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.23 (d. *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.23 (dd. *J* = 8.2, 2.1 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 4.55 (dd. *J* = 8.1, 3.8 Hz, 1H, C*H*(C₆H₄Cl₂)), 3.23 (dd. *J* = 19.2, 8.1 Hz, 1H, C*H*H), 2.62 (dd. *J* = 19.2, 3.9 Hz, 1H, CH*H*); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ [ppm] 205.1 (q, C=O), 156.7 (q, ArC), 144.1 (q, ArC), 136.9 (q, ArC), 135.5 (t, ArC), 133.1 (q, ArC), 131.2 (q, ArC), 131.0 (t, ArC), 129.8 (t, ArC), 128.5 (t, ArC), 127.1 (t, ArC), 126.8 (t, ArC), 123.8 (t, ArC), 46.6 (s, CH₂), 43.7 (t, CH(C₆H₃Cl₂)).

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.[S17]

3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-ol (24)



Based on a procedure by DAVIES^[S18], Indenone **23** (21 mg, 76 μ mol, 1.00 equiv.) was dissolved in anhydrous THF (230 μ L) and cooled to –10 °C. K-Selectride[®] (1M in THF, 152 μ L, 152 μ mol, 2.00 equiv.) was added dropwise and the reaction mixture was stirred for 4 h at –10 °C. Then, water (500 μ L) was added slowly and the solution was stirred for 30 min at ambient temperature. THF was removed under reduced pressure and the mixture was portioned between water (5.0 mL) and EtOAc (5.0 mL). The phases were separated and the aqueous was re-extracted with EtOAc (2 × 5.0 mL). The combined organic layers were washed

with water (10.0 mL) and with brine (10.0 mL), and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was subjected to column chromatography (petroleum ether:EtOAc 10:1 -> 3:1) to give *syn*-alcohol **24** (*dr* > 20:1) as a colorless solid (15 mg, 54 μ mol, 71%).

R_f = 0.42 (EtOAc/petroleum ether = 4:1); ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ [ppm] 7.48 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.39 – 7.23 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.07 (dd, J = 8.3, 2.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.93 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H, ArH), 5.30 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H, CHOH), 4.16 (t, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H, CH(C₆H₃Cl₂)), 3.02 (dt, J = 14.5, 6.6 Hz, 1H, CHH), 2.07 (bs, 1H, OH), 1.90 (ddd, J = 12.9, 8.8, 7.4 Hz, 1H, CHH); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ [ppm] 145.3 (q, ArC), 144.8 (q, ArC), 144.6 (q, ArC), 132.7 (q, ArC), 130.7 (t, ArC), 130.4 (t, ArC), 129.8 (q, ArC), 128.8 (t, ArC), 127.83 (t, ArC), 127.80 (t, ArC), 125.1 (t, ArC), 124.1 (t, ArC), 75.0 (t, CHOH), 47.7 (t, CH(C₆H₃Cl₂)), 46.9 (s, CH₂).

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.^[S18]

(±)-Indatraline (16)



Following a protocol of FROIMOWITZ^[S19], Et₃N (56 μ L, 400 μ mol, 4.00 equiv.) was added to a solution of *syn*-alcohol **24** (28 mg, 100 μ mol, 1.00 equiv.) in anhydrous THF (850 μ L). The mixture was cooled to –20 °C, methananesulfonyl chloride (16 μ L, 200 μ mol, 2.00 equiv.) was added dropwise, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at –20°C. Then, a solution of methylamine (1.00 mL, 2.0M in THF, 2.00 mmol, 20.0 equiv.) was added slowly. Over 90 min, the mixture

was allowed to warm to ambient temperature and then stirred for 20 h. The solvent was removed in vacuo. Subsequently, water (10.0 mL) and EtOAc (10.0 mL) were added. The phases were separated and the aqueous layer was re-extracted with EtOAc ($3 \times 10.0 \text{ mL}$). The combined organic layers were washed with brine ($2 \times 20.0 \text{ mL}$), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, concentrated under reduced pressure, and the residue was subjected to column chromatography (SiO2 treated with Et₃N, petroleum ether/EtOAc 2:3, then EtOAc) to give (±)-indatraline (**16**) as a yellow oil (23 mg, 82 μ mol, 82%).

R_f = 0.24 (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH = 15:1); ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ [ppm] 7.40 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.29 – 7.22 (m, 3H, Ar*H*), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ar*H*), 4.51 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, C*H*(C₆H₃Cl₂)), 4.27 (dd, *J* = 6.6, 3.1 Hz, 1H, C*H*NHMe), 2.51 (s, 3H, C*H*₃N), 2.45 (ddd, *J* = 13.1, 7.9, 3.2 Hz, 1H, C*H*H), 2.24 (qi, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H, CH*H*); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ [ppm] 145.7 (q, Ar*C*), 145.6 (q, Ar*C*), 145.0 (q, Ar*C*), 132.6 (q, Ar*C*), 130.6 (t, Ar*C*), 130.4 (q, Ar*C*), 130.0 (t, Ar*C*), 128.5 (t, Ar*C*), 127.6 (t, Ar*C*), 127.4 (t, Ar*C*), 125.4 (t, Ar*C*), 124.8 (t, Ar*C*), 63.8 (t, CHNHMe), 48.7 (t, CH(C₆H₃Cl₂)), 43.4 (s, CH₂), 34.3 (p, CH₃NH); **HRMS (ESI)** (*m*/*z*): calcd. for C₁₆H₁₆NCl₂ [M + H⁺]⁺ 292.0660, found 292.0669.

The analytical data are consistent with those reported in the literature.^[S19]

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4 Attachments: NMR spectra

1-(Benzhydryloxy)-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine (12a)



1-(Benzyloxy)-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine (12b)



2,2,6,6-Tetramethyl-1-phenethoxypiperidine (12c)







1-((4-Methoxybenzyl)oxy)-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine (12e)



1-((4-Fluorobenzyl)oxy)-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine (12f)



2,2,6,6-Tetramethyl-1-((4-methylbenzy I)oxy)piperidine (12g)



2,2,6,6-Tetramethyl-1-(1-phenylethoxy)piperidine (12h)





2-Phenyl-2-((2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidin-1-yl)oxy)ethan-1-ol (12i)









(4-Chlorophenyl)(5-methoxy-2-methyl-3-(((2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidin-1-yl)oxy)methyl)-1H-

indol-1-yl)methanone (12l)



1-(1-(4-IsobutyIphenyI)ethoxy)-2,2,6,6-tetramethyIpiperidine (12m)



1-(Benzyloxy)-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidin-4-ol (15a)



N-(1-(Benzyloxy)-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidin-4-yl)acetamide (15b)



7-(Benzyloxy)-7-azadispiro[5.1.58.36]hexadecan-15-one (15c)



1-(Benzyloxy)-2,2,5-trimethyl-5-phenylpyrrolidine (15d)







4-(Benzyloxy)-1-(*tert*-butyl)-3,3,5,5-tetraethylpiperazin-2-one (15f)





1,1,2,2,3,3,4,4,5,5,5-Undecafluoropentane-1-sulfonyl azide (S1)



((4-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1-yl)oxy)trimethylsilane (19)





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3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-indene-1-carboxylic acid (21)



1-((3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-yl)oxy)-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine (22)



3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-one (23)



3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-1-ol (24)



(±)-Indatraline (16)