Supporting Information

Lewis Acid Mediated Cyclization: Synthesis of

2-Spirocyclohexylindolines

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1. General information

Melting points were measured on a Hanon MP 430 auto melting-point system. The infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on a Nicolet iS10 FTIR spectrometer with 4 cm⁻¹ resolution and 32 scans between wavenumber of 4000 cm⁻¹ and 400 cm⁻¹. Samples were prepared as KBr disks with 1 mg of samples in 100 mg of KBr. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (¹H-NMR) spectra were obtained on a Bruker Avance 300 or 400 spectrometers at 300 or 400 MHz. Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance (¹³C-NMR) was obtained on Bruker Avance 300 or 400 spectrometers at 75 or 100 MHz. Chemical shifts are reported as δ values in parts per million (ppm) relative to tetramethylsilane (TMS) for all recorded NMR spectra. High Resolution Mass spectra were taken on AB QSTAR Pulsar mass spectrometer or Aglient LC/MSD TOF mass spectrometer. Optical rotations were recorded on a JASCO P-2000 polarimeter. All new products were characterized by IR, ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR and HRMS. The substrate compounds were characterized by ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR. HPLC experiments were determined by a Agilent 1260 Infinity with *n*-hexane and 2-propanol as eluents. Silica gel (200–300 mesh) for column chromatography and silica GF₂₅₄ for TLC were produced by Merck Chemicals Co. Ltd. (Shanghai). THF used in the reactions was dried by distillation over metallic sodium and benzophenone. Starting materials and reagents used in reactions were obtained commercially from Acros, Aldrich and Adamas-beta®, and were used without purification, unless otherwise indicated. All reactions were conducted in dried glassware under a positive pressure of dry nitrogen or argon. Reagents and starting materials were accordingly transferred via syringe or cannula. Reaction temperatures refer to the external oil bath temperature.

2. Experimental section

2.1 General procedure for the synthesis of substrates 6a-6v



To a solution of **4** (0.50 mmol) and **5** (0.50 mmol) or **S1** (0.50 mmol) in dry EtOH (2 mL) was added cerium (IV) ammonium nitrate (CAN, 27.4 mg, 0.05 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 h – 48 h. After TLC analysis, the mixture was concentrated then diluted with EtOAc (30 mL), washed with brine (20 mL), and dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate. The combined organic phases were concentrated under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on Et₃N-pretreated silica gel eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc to give the pure β -enamino-esters **6a-6v**.



6a: 84% yield. ¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.18 (s, 1H), 7.36 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.20 - 7.12 (m, 2H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (s, 1H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 2.24 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 2.00 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 1.53 - 1.42 (m, 4H), 1.37 (s, 18H); ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 171.0, 167.6, 157.5, 138.8, 131.8, 129.7, 128.8, 128.3, 126.4, 93.5, 82.2, 55.3, 50.7, 41.6, 28.0, 27.9, 24.0, 22.9, 22.3. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₅H₃₆NO₆ [M+H]⁺: 446.2537, found: 446.2537.



6b: 79% yield. ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.19 (s, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.22 - 7.12

(m, 2H), 7.02 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (s, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 2.45 (dd, J = 15.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.07 - 1.95 (m, 2H), 1.76 (dd, J = 15.3, 10.2 Hz, 1H), 1.60 - 1.45 (m, 2H), 1.39 (s, 9H), 1.37 (s, 9H), 1.10 - 0.96 (m, 1H), 0.90 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³**C** NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.8, 167.5, 157.2, 138.8, 131.7, 129.6, 128.8, 128.2, 126.4, 93.0, 82.2, 82.0, 55.3, 50.6, 32.6, 30.3, 28.8, 27.9, 21.8. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₈NO₆ [M+H]⁺: 460.2694, found: 460.2694.



6c: 73% yield. ¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.11 (s, 1H), 7.32 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.15 - 7.10 (m, 2H), 6.97 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (s, 1H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 2.43 (dd, *J* = 15.0, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.00 - 1.95 (m, 2H), 1.74 - 1.69 (, 1H), 1.56-1.52 (m, 1H), 1.34(s, 9H) 1.32 (s, 9H), 1.16 - 1.22 (m, 3H), 0.99 - 0.93 (m, 1H), 0.82 - 0.73 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 171.0, 167.6, 167.6, 157.5, 138.9, 131.8, 129.7, 128.8, 128.3, 126.4, 93.2, 82.3, 82.1, 55.3, 50.7, 35.7, 30.6, 29.1, 28.1, 28.0, 11.7. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₇H₄₀NO₆ [M+H]⁺: 474.2850, found: 474.2848.



6d: 72% yield. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.13 (s, 1H), 7.32 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 - 7.08 (m, 2H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (s, 1H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 2.42(dd, *J* = 15.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.05 - 1.90 (m, 2H), 1.71 (dd, *J* = 15.2, 10.4 Hz, 1H), 1.54 - 1.48 (m, 1H), 1.34 (s, 9H), 1.32 (s, 9H), 1.28 - 1.07 (m, 5H), 1.01 - 0.91 (m, 1H), 0.77 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.9, 167.6, 167.5, 157.4, 138.8, 131.8, 129.6, 128.8, 128.3, 126.4, 93.1, 82.2, 82.1, 55.3, 50.7, 38.7, 33.6, 30.8, 28.5, 28.0, 20.1, 14.4. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₈H₄₂NO₆ [M+H]⁺: 488.3007, found: 488.3006.



6e: 87% yield. ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.21 (s, 1H), 7.36 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.22 - 7.10 (m, 2H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (s, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.40 - 3.38 (m, 1H), 3.28 (s, 3H), 2.62 (dd, *J* = 15.9, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.29 - 2.11 (m, 2H), 2.05 - 1.95 (m, 1H), 1.65 - 1.48 (m, 2H), 1.38 (s, 18H); ¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.5, 170.0, 167.4, 156.6, 145.5, 138.5, 131.6, 129.6, 128.7, 128.3, 126.4, 90..4, 82.1, 74.8, 55.8, 55.4, 50.7, 29.6, 27.9, 26.5, 25.0. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₈NO₇ [M+H]⁺: 476.2643, found: 476.2644.



6f: 69% yield. ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.24 (s, 1H), 7.39 (dd, *J* = 6.9, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.23 - 7.12 (m, 7H), 7.06 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (s, 1H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 2.74 - 2.65 (m, 2H), 2.31 - 2.13 (m, 3H), 1.84 - 1.79 (m, 1H), 1.66 - 1.56 (m, 1H), 1.41 (s, 9H), 1.39 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.8, 167.6, 157.1, 146.5, 138.8, 131.9, 129.8, 128.9, 128.5, 128.4, 126.9, 126.6, 126.3, 93.3, 82.4, 82.2, 55.4, 50.8, 40.4, 32.6, 28.9, 28.4, 28.0. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₃₁H₄₀NO₆ [M+H]⁺: 522.2850, found: 522.2847.



6g: 70% yield. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.08 (s, 1H), 7.35 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.17 - 7.10 (m, 2H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (s, 1H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 2.00 (s, 2H), 1.91 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz,

2H), 1.33 (s, 18H), 1.16 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 0.82 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 171.1, 167.6, 156.6, 138.9, 132.0, 129.7, 129.0, 128.4, 126.6, 92.5, 82.2, 55.2, 50.7, 37.9, 34.8, 28.7, 28.2, 28.0, 25.3. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₇H₄₀NO₆ [M+H]⁺: 474.2850, found: 474.2849.



6h: 79% yield. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.31 (s, 1H), 7.47 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.30
7.26 (m, 2H), 7.15 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (s, 1H), 4.06 - 3.96 m, 4H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 2.59 (s, 2H), 2.31 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.70 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.48 (s, 18H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.3, 167.6, 156.4, 138.6, 131.7, 129.8, 128.8, 128.4, 126.6, 107.7, 91.0, 82.3, 64.6, 55.5, 50.8, 34.3, 30.7, 28.0, 26.6. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₇H₃₈NO₈ [M+H]⁺: 504.2592, found: 504.2593.



6i: 63% yield. ¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.36 (s, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.40 - 7.33 (m, 4H), 7.31 - 7.24 (m, 3H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 5.18 (s, 2H), 4.83 (s, 1H), 4.02 - 3.91 (m, 4H), 2.64 (s, 2H), 2.31 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 1.69 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 1.45 (s, 18H); ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 169.6, 167.5, 156.9, 138.6, 137.2, 131.7, 129.7, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 127.9, 127.8, 126.7, 107.7, 90.8, 82.2, 65.0, 64.5, 55.5, 34.3, 30.6, 28.0, 28.0, 26.6. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₃₃H₄₂NO₈ [M+H]⁺: 580.2905, found: 580.2907.



7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (s, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 2.25 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.04 (t, J = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 1.53 - 1.42 (m, 4H), 1.38 (s, 18H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): 170.1, 167.6, 156.3, 139.7, 138.3, 130.8, 127.9, 127.5, 126.5, 94.9, 82.1, 54.6, 50.6, 28.2, 28.0, 24.3, 22.9, 22.3, 20.8. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₈NO₆ [M+H]⁺: 460.2694, found: 460.2692.



6k: 66% yield. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.96 (s, 1H), 6.90 - 6.89 (m, 2H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.66 (s, 1H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 3.58 (s, 3H), 2.19 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.38 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 1.45 - 1.38 (m, 4H), 1.34 (s, 18H); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.9, 167.3, 158.3, 158.0, 133.2, 131,5, 130.0, 114.3, 114.1, 92.5, 82.1, 55.4, 55.2, 50.5, 27.9, 27.7, 23.9, 22.8, 22.3. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₈NO₇ [M+H]⁺: 476.2643, found: 476.2639.



6I: 61% yield. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.12 (s, 1H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 4.70 (s, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 2.25 - 2.23 (m, 2H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.98 (t, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 2H), 1.51 - 1.44 (m, 4H), 1.38 (s, 18H); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.9, 167.7, 157.6, 138.5, 138.2, 129.4, 129.3, 128.8, 127.3, 93.0, 82.0, 54.8, 50.6, 27.9, 27.8, 24.0, 22.9, 22.3, 21.1. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₈NO₆ [M+H]⁺: 460.2694, found: 460.2693.



6m: 53% yield. ¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.10 (s, 1H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (dd,

J = 8.7, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.52 (s, 1H), 4.60 (s, 1H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 3.59 (s, 3H), 2.20 (t, J = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 1.96 (t, J = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 1.48 - 1.40 (m, 4H), 1.32 (s, 18H); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 171.0, 167.9, 159.4, 157.4, 139.8, 130.5, 124.1, 114.4, 112.1, 93.6, 82.1, 55.5, 54.6, 50.7, 28.0, 27.9, 24.0, 22.9, 22.3. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₈NO₇ [M+H]⁺: 476.2643, found: 476.2644.



6n: 47% yield. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.89 (s, 1H), 7.30 (dd, J = 7.3, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.16 - 7.08 (m, 2H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 2.26 (t, J = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 1.90 - 1.79 (m, 1H), 1.71 - 1.63 (m, 1H), 1.50 - 1.42 (m, 4H), 1.37 (s, 18H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 171.1, 167.9, 167.5, 158.7, 137.6, 137.5, 133.4, 130.1, 127.2, 92.3, 82.1, 81.9, 54.7, 50.5, 27.9, 27.1, 23.9, 22.9, 22.3, 18.6. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₈NO₆ [M+H]⁺: 460.2694, found: 460.2692.



60: 74% yield. ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.96 (s, 1H), 6.90 (s, 1H), 6.51 (s, 1H), 5.88 (s, 2H), 4.68 (s, 1H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 2.24 (t, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 2H), 1.94 (t, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 2H), 1.51 - 1.46 (m, 4H), 1.38 (s, 18H); ¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 171.0, 167.6, 158.1, 147.4, 146.3, 132.5, 125.5, 109.4, 108.9, 101.7, 93.1, 82.1, 54.6, 50.6, 28.0, 27.7, 23.9, 22.8, 22.3. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₆NO₈ [M+H]⁺: 490.2435, found: 490.2431.



6p: 8% yield. ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.54 (s, 1H), 7.71 (s, 1H), 7.54 (dd, J = 8.2, 1.7 Hz,

1H), 7.13 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (s, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 2.35 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 2.16 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 1.63 - 1.56 (m, 4H), 1.48 (s, 18H); ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.7, 166.7, 154.5, 143.7, 134.1, 131.9, 131.2, 127.5, 118.8, 108.3, 97.9, 83.1, 55.7, 51.1, 28.2, 28.0, 24.1, 22.7, 22.3. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₅N₂O₆ [M+H]⁺: 471.2490, found: 471.2416.



6q: 75% yield. ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.96 (s, 1H), 7.31 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.20 - 7.09 (m, 2H), 6.99 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (s, 1H), 4.25 (s, 2H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.55 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 2.06 (t, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 2H), 1.34 (s, 18H); ¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 168.3, 167.3, 154.4, 137.7, 131.7, 129.9, 128.6, 128.4, 126.7, 92.1, 82.3, 64.4, 63.6, 55.8, 50.5, 27.9, 27.2. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₄H₃₄NO₇ [M+H]⁺: 448.2330, found: 448.2331.



6r: 72% yield. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.07 (s, 1H), 7.30 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.22 - 7.18 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (s, 1H), 4.15 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.49 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.38 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.74 - 1.67 (m, 2H), 1.39 (s, 18H), 1.24 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 168.0, 167.6, 161.2, 139.6, 130.2, 129.9, 128.5, 126.8, 125.7, 97.8, 82.4, 58.9, 56.3, 33.2, 29.6, 28.0, 21.5, 14.9. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₅H₃₆NO₆ [M+H]⁺: 446.2537, found: 446.2536.



6s: 73% yield. ¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.94 (s, 1H), 7.40 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.24 - 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (s, 1H), 4.67 (s, 1H), 3.63 (s, 1H), 1.70 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 18H); ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.5, 167.4, 160.1, 138.3, 131.7, 130.0, 128.6, 128.5, 127.0, 86.0, 82.4, 55.5, 50.3, 28.0, 20.2. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₂H₃₂NO₆ [M+H]⁺: 406.2224, found: 406.2222.



6t: 71% yield. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm): 9.97 (s, 1H), 7.52 - 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.30 - 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.13 -7.11 (m, 1H), 4.80 (s, 1H), 4.77 (s, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 2.10 (q, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.46 (s,18H), 0.95 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.9, 167.4, 165.6, 138.1, 131.7, 129.9, 128.5, 128.5, 127.0, 84.1, 82.4, 55.0, 50.4, 28.0, 25.5, 12.0. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₃H₃₄NO₆ [M+H]⁺: 420.2381, found: 420.2382.



6u: 80% yield. ¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.92 (s, 1H), 7.47 (dd, *J* = 7.2, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.25 - 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 5.62 - 5.49 (m, 1H), 4.85 - 4.74 (m, 2H), 4.74 (s, 1H), 4.71 (s, 1H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 2.16 - 2.10 (m, 2H), 2.02 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 1.39 (s, 18H); ¹³C **NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.7, 167.3, 163.1, 137.9, 136.8, 131.4, 129.8, 128.4, 128.3, 126.9, 115.6, 85.4, 82.3, 57.4, 50.4, 31.7, 31.6, 27.9. **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₅H₃₆NO₆ [M+H]⁺: 446.2537, found: 446.2535.



6v: 65% yield. [α]_D²⁰ = -16.52 (*c* 1.79, CHCl₃). ¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.25 (s, 1H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.30 - 7.22 (m, 2H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.51 - 2.48 (m, 1H), 2.29 - 2.21 (m, 1H), 2.06 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.74 - 1.69 (m, 2H), 1.61 - 1.56 (m, 1H), 1.47 (s, 9H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.25 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 0.87 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): 171.0, 167.6, 167.6, 157.1, 138.8, 131.7, 129.7, 128.8, 128.3, 126.4, 93.2, 82.3, 82.1, 55.4, 50.7, 36.1, 31.2, 28.6, 28.1, 28.0, 24.1, 21.7. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₇NO₆ [M+H]⁺: 460.2694, found: 460.2662.

2.2 General procedure for the synthesis of products 7a-7v



To a solution of β -enamino esters **6a-6s** or **6v** (0.15 mmol) in dry DCM (5 mL) were added Ni(ClO₄)₂·6H₂O (55.0 mg, 0.15 mmol), NiBr₂ (33.0 mg, 0.15 mmol), and MgSO₄ (181.0 mg, 1.50 mmol). The resulting mixture was then heated at reflux under argon for 8-48 h. After TLC analysis, the mixture was diluted with water (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1 to 10:1) to give the products **7a-7s** or **7v**.



7a: White solid, 88% yield, dr > 50 : 1, m.p.: 139 - 141 °C. FTIR (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3376, 2982, 2938, 1737, 1716, 1598, 1453, 1391, 1369, 1320, 1280, 1250, 1214, 1189, 1135, 1095, 1055, 970, 856, 844, 755, 745; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.55 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (t, J= 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.73 - 6.68 (m, 2H), 3.50 (dd, J = 11.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.93(s, 3H), 2.15 (td, J = 13.2, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.99 - 1.95 (m, 1H), 1.77 - 1.74 (m, 4H), 1.62 (s, 9H), 1.47 - 1.44 (m, 1H), 1.41 (s, 9H), 1.34 - 1.27 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.2, 167.9, 167.1, 150.1, 129.0, 126.9, 125.7, 119.4, 111.0, 83.1, 82.0, 71.6, 70.8, 50.8, 45.5, 34.3, 28.1, 27.9, 26.1, 24.1, 23.0; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₅H₃₅NO₆Na [M+Na]⁺: 468.2357, found: 468.2359.



7b: White solid, 60% yield, dr > 50 : 1, m.p.: 136 - 139 °C. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3377, 2977, 2926, 2873, 1745, 1720, 1607, 1470, 1367, 1278, 1223, 1134, 1004, 839, 816, 745; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.55 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.72 - 6.66 (m, 2H), 3.55 (dd, J = 12.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.93 (s, 3H), 2.20 (td, J = 13.6, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.99 - 1.95 (m, 1H), 1.75 - 1.68 (m, 2H), 1.61 (s, 9H), 1.50 - 1.45 (m, 2H), 1.41 (s, 9H), 1.18 - 1.15 (m, 1H), 0.96 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.2, 168.1, 167.2, 150.3, 129.1, 127.1, 125.8, 119.4, 111.1, 83.1, 82.1, 71.2, 70.7, 50.9, 45.5, 34.6, 34.4, 31.7, 30.7, 28.2, 28.0, 22.2; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₇NO₆Na [M+Na]⁺: 482.2513, found: 482.2516.



7c: White solid, 73% yield, dr > 50 : 1, m.p.: 82 - 85 °C. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3385, 2974, 1742, 1722, 1607, 1473, 1366, 1286, 1245, 1135, 1026, 841, 739; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.49 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.03 - 6.99 (td, J = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.68 - 6.64 (m, 2H), 3.48 (dd, J = 13.2, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (s, 3H), 2.12 (td, J = 13.6, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 1.98 - 1.91 (m, 1H), 1.76 - 1.68 (m, 2H), 1.55 (s, 9H), 1.35 (s, 9H), 1.25 - 1.17 (m, 4H), 1.13 - 1.06 (m, 1H), 0.83 (t, J = 7.2

Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.3, 168.1, 167.2, 150.3, 129.1, 127.0, 125.8, 119.4, 111.1, 83.1, 82.1, 71.6, 70.6, 50.9, 45.5, 37.4, 34.3, 32.3, 29.5, 29.3, 28.2, 28.0, 11.5; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₇H₃₉NO₆Na [M+Na]⁺: 496.2670, found: 496.2670.



7d: White solid, 76% yield, dr > 50 : 1, m.p.: 89 - 91 °C. FTIR (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3386, 2931, 2870, 1733, 1471, 1392, 1368, 1282, 1254, 1170, 1135, 1027, 840, 746, 640, 468; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.54 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.97(brs, 1H), 3.54 (dd, J = 12.0, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 2.93 (s, 3H), 2.19 (td, J = 13.2, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.99 - 1.96 (m, 1H), 1.80 - 1.72 (m, 2H), 1.61 (s, 9H), 1.48 - 1.45 (m, 1H), 1.40 (s, 9H), 1.36 - 1.30 (m, 3H), 1.26 - 1.22 (m, 2H), 1.17 - 1.05 (m, 1H), 0.88 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.3, 168.0, 167.2, 150.3, 129.1, 127.0, 125.7, 119.4, 111.0, 83.1, 82.1, 71.6, 70.6, 50.9, 45.5, 39.0, 35.2, 34.4, 32.6, 29.7, 28.2, 28.0, 19.9, 14.3; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₈H₄₁NO₆Na [M+Na]⁺: 510.2826, found: 510.2825.



7e: Colorless oil, 79% yield, dr > 50 : 1. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3378, 3047, 2978, 2933, 1717, 1607, 1472, 1367, 1138, 854, 744; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.59 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.51 (brs, 1H), 3.78 (dd, J = 10.4, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.54 (s, 1H), 3.31 (s, 3H), 2.97 (s, 3H), 2.45 (td, J = 14.0, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.99 - 1.92 (m, 3H), 1.79 - 1.76 (m, 1H), 1.75 - 1.66 (m, 1H), 1.59 (s, 9H), 1.41 (s, 9H); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.3, 168.0, 166.8, 150.2, 129.0, 127.8, 125.9, 119.7, 111.6, 83.0, 82.0, 72.9, 71.1, 71.0, 55.8, 50.9, 40.2, 29.5, 28.2, 28.1, 28.0, 26.1; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₇NO₇Na [M+Na]⁺: 498.2462, found: 498.2467.



7f: Colorless oil, 76% yield, dr > 50 : 1. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3387, 2977, 2868, 1732, 1606, 1471, 1368, 1256, 1169, 1028, 838, 747, 641, 468; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.44 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.21 - 7.17 (m, 2H), 7.14 - 7.09 (m, 3H), 6.97 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.63 - 6.60 (m, 2H), 3.62 (dd, J = 12.4, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (s, 3H), 2.58 - 2.52 (m, 1H), 2.26 (td, J = 13.6, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.02 - 1.99 (m, 1H), 1.91 - 1.79 (m, 3H), 1.66 - 1.58(m, 1H), 1.52 (s, 9H), 1.30 (s, 9H); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.8, 168.0, 167.3, 150.2, 145.6, 129.2, 128.6, 126.9, 126.5, 125.8, 119.7, 111.4, 83.3, 82.3, 71.0, 51.1, 45.9, 42.1, 34.8, 33.5, 30.7, 28.2, 28.0, 25.9; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₃₁H₃₉NO₆Na [M+Na]⁺: 544.2670, found: 544.2668.



7g: Colorless oil, 64% yield, dr > 50 : 1. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3388, 2976, 2866, 1732, 1607, 1471, 1368, 1253, 1151, 778, 744, 639, 467; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.56 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.72 - 6.66 (m, 2H), 4.53 (s, 1H), 3.64 (dd, J = 13.6, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.94 (s, 3H), 2.38 - 2.30 (m, 1H), 1.82 (dd, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H),1.73 (t, J = 14.0 Hz, 2H), 1.62 (s, 9H), 1.46 - 1.42 (m, 3H), 1.40 (s, 9H), 1.02 (s, 3H), 1.00 (s, 3H); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.3, 168.1, 167.2, 150.3, 129.1, 127.2, 125.8, 119.4, 111.2, 83.0, 82.1, 71.3, 70.8, 50.9, 42.0, 38.9, 35.8, 32.6, 30.4, 29.5, 28.2, 28.0, 24.2; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₇H₃₉NO₆Na [M+Na]⁺: 496.2670, found: 496.2673.



7h: White solid, 80% yield, dr > 50 : 1, m.p.: 134 - 136 °C. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3375, 2977, 2949, 1732, 1607, 1471, 1393, 1369, 1306, 1256, 1169, 1136, 1098, 1048, 852, 839,

747, 600, 473; ¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.57 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 4H), 3.85 (dd, J = 13.2, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (s, 3H), 2.51 (td, J = 13.2, 5.6 Hz,1H), 2.13 - 2.03 (m, 1H), 2.01 - 1.96 (dd, J = 13.6, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.87 - 1.72 (m, 3H), 1.61 (s, 9H), 1.41 (s, 9H); ¹³**C** NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.3, 168.0, 166.8, 150.0, 129.2, 127.4, 125.7, 119.8, 111.5, 107.3, 83.3, 82.2, 70.7, 70.4, 64.6, 51.1, 43.7, 34.3, 31.9, 31.8, 28.1, 28.0; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₇H₃₇NO₈Na [M+Na]⁺: 526.2411, found: 526.2409.



7i: White solid, 66% yield, dr > 50 : 1, m.p.: 121 - 123 °C. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) ν_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3224, 2976, 2933, 1727, 1657, 1591, 1496, 1455, 1369, 1232, 1214, 1135, 1053, 851, 752, 698; ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.66 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.29 - 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.18 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (t, J = 7.5 Hz 1H), 6.69 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (d, J = 12.3 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (d, J = 12.3 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 4H), 3.85 (dd, J = 13.4, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 2.50 (td, J = 13.2, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 2.16 - 2.03 (m, 2H), 1.85 - 1.76 (m, 3H), 1.50 (s, 9H), 1.42 (s, 9H); ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 172.7, 168.0, 168.7, 150.2, 135.8, 129.2, 128.8, 128.4, 128.1, 127.7, 126.1, 120.0, 111.7, 107.4, 83.2, 82.4, 70.6, 70.5, 66.3, 64.7, 64.6, 44.2, 34.7, 31.8, 31.8, 28.5, 28.1, 28.0; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₃₃H₄₂NO₈Na [M+H]⁺: 580.2905, found: 580.2908.



7j: Colorless oil, 63% yield, dr > 50 : 1. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3313, 2933, 1728, 1589, 1456, 1393, 1368, 1252, 1159, 1052, 841, 736; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 6.97 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (brs, 1H), 3.34 (s, 3H), 3.14 (dd, J = 9.2, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.16 - 2.12 (m, 1H), 1.88 - 1.82 (m, 2H), 1.76 - 1.72 (m, 1H), 1.67 - 1.60(m, 4H), 1.49 (s, 9H), 1.47 (s, 9H), 1.29 - 1.21 (m, 1H); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.8, 167.7, 167.1, 151.3, 137.0, 129.0, 127.2, 123.4, 110.6, 82.3, 82.2, 73.7, 69.8,

51.3, 46.3, 33.4, 28.6, 28.2, 28.1, 24.6, 22.3, 20.9; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₇NO₆Na [M+Na]⁺: 482.2513, found: 482.2510.



7k: Colorless oil, 73% yield, dr > 50 : 1. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3364, 2968, 2948, 1729, 1479, 1368, 1278, 1254, 1132, 1099, 971, 840, 732, 662; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.19 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.61 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (brs, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.48 (dd, J = 12.8, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (s, 3H), 2.12 (td, J = 13.2, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.95 - 1.91 (m, 1H), 1.77 - 1.73 (m, 4H), 1.61 (s, 9H), 1.49 - 1.45 (m, 1H), 1.41 (s, 9H), 1.30 - 1.24 (m, 1H); ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.3, 167.9, 167.1, 153.6, 144.3, 128.7, 115.0, 112.1, 111.8, 83.2, 82.1, 72.1, 71.3, 55.8, 50.9, 45.6, 34.5, 28.2, 28.0, 26.2, 24.2, 23.0; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₇NO₇Na [M+Na]⁺: 498.2462, found: 498.2461.



71: White solid, 54% yield, dr > 50 : 1, m.p.: 137 - 141 °C. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3379, 2976, 1732, 1718, 1619, 1456, 1367, 1168, 1133, 1053, 794, 572; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.40 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.52 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.51 (s, 1H), 3.50 (dd, J = 10.8, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 2.13 (td, J = 13.2, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.97 - 1.93 (m, 1H), 1.75 - 1.73 (m, 4H), 1.61 (s, 9H), 1.49 - 1.45 (m, 1H), 1.42 (s, 9H), 1.33 - 1.28 (m, 1H); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.3, 168.2, 167.4, 150.4, 139.0, 125.5, 124.3, 120.5, 111.9, 83.0, 82.0, 71.7, 70.7, 51.0, 45.6, 34.5, 28.2, 28.0, 26.2, 24.2, 23.1, 21.7; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₇NO₆Na [M+Na]⁺: 482.2513, found: 482.2514.



7m: White solid, 73% yield, dr > 50 : 1, m.p.: 140 - 142°C. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3366, 2974, 2934, 1720, 1617, 1458, 1368, 1132, 821, 790, 657, 589; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.40 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.26 - 6.24 (m, 2H), 4.50 (s, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.50 - 3.46 (m, 1H), 3.00 (s, 3H), 2.11 (td, J = 13.2, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 1.76 - 1.72 (m, 4H), 1.60 (s, 9H), 1.47 - 1.43 (m, 1H), 1.40 (s, 9H), 1.35 - 1.24 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.2, 168.3, 167.3, 160.9, 151.7, 126.4, 119.3, 105.5, 96.6, 83.0, 81.9, 71.9, 70.3, 55.2, 51.0, 45.6, 34.3, 28.2, 28.0, 26.2, 24.1, 23.1; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₇NO₇Na [M+Na]⁺: 498.2462, found: 498.2462.



7n: White solid, 64% yield, dr > 50 : 1, m.p.: 137 - 139 °C. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3375, 2938, 1737, 1716, 1597, 1368, 1279, 1249, 1135, 843, 744; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.40 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (brs, 1H), 3.49 (dd, J = 11.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (s, 3H), 2.20 - 2.13 (m, 4H), 2.01(d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 1.80 - 1.75 (m, 4H), 1.62 (s, 9H) 1.54 - 1.51 (m, 1H), 1.41 (s, 9H), 1.34 - 1.29 (m, 1H); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.2, 168.1, 167.4, 149.1, 129.7, 126.3, 123.3, 120.1, 119.6, 83.0, 82.0, 71.8, 71.2, 50.9, 45.7, 34.3, 28.2, 28.0, 26.4, 24.2, 23.1, 16.9; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₇NO₆Na [M+Na]⁺: 482.2513, found: 482.2510.



70: White solid, 73% yield, dr > 50 : 1, m.p.: 152 - 156 °C. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3371, 2971, 2928, 1748, 1719, 1617, 1478, 1366, 1137, 1078, 940, 877, 847, 607; ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.06 (s, 1H), 6.27 (s, 1H), 5.84 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.14 (brs, 1H), 3.47 (dd, J =11.2, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (s, 3H), 2.13 - 2.06 (m, 1H), 1.93 (brd, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 1.75 - 1.73 (m, 4H), 1.60 (s, 9H) 1.42 (s, 9H), 1.33 - 1.25 (m, 2H); ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.2, 168.1, 167.4, 149.1, 129.7, 126.3, 123.3, 120.1, 119.6, 83.0, 82.0, 71.8, 71.2, 50.9, 45.7, 34.3, 28.2, 28.0, 26.4, 24.2, 23.1, 16.9; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₅NO₈Na [M+Na]⁺: 512.2255, found: 512.2258.



7p: White solid, 64% yield, dr > 50 : 1, m.p: 208 - 211 °C. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3727, 3368, 2932, 2860, 2212, 1730, 1608, 1488, 1393, 1368, 1317, 1152, 1133, 1024, 920, 851, 838, 821, 772, 729, 589, 468; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.81 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (dd, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.92 (brs, 1H), 3.50 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.99 (s, 3H), 2.17 (td, *J* = 13.6, 9.6 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 1.80 -1.72 (m, 3H), 1.63 (s, 9H), 1,48 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.40 (s, 9H), 1.33 – 1.30 (m, 1H), 1.24 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.7, 167.1, 166.1, 154.0, 134.2, 129.0, 127.4, 120.6, 110.1, 100.9, 84.1, 83.1, 72.1, 70.1, 51.1, 45.8, 33.9, 28.2, 27.9, 26.0, 23.9, 23.1. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₅N₂O₆ [M+H]⁺: 471.2490, found: 471.2487.



7q: White solid, 81% yield, dr > 50 : 1, m.p.: 73 - 75 °C. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3431, 3380, 2978, 2931, 1731, 1715, 1608, 1477, 1369, 1249, 1154, 1138, 1025, 749, 549; ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.55 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.74(d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (brs, 1H), 3.99 - 3.89 (m, 2H), 3.82 - 3.63 (m, 3H), 3.02 (s, 3H), 2.40 (td, J = 13.2, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 1.90 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 1.59 (s, 9H), 1.42 (s, 9H); ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 171.9, 167.4, 166.8, 149.6, 129.3, 127.5, 126.1, 120.2, 112.2, 83.3, 82.4, 70.8, 69.1, 65.9, 65.1, 51.1, 45.3, 33.6, 28.1, 28.0; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₄H₃₃NO₇Na [M+Na]⁺: 470.2149, found: 470.2156.



7r: White solid, 75% yield, dr > 50 : 1, m.p.: 89 - 91 °C. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3363, 2977, 1732, 1606, 1469, 1393, 1369, 1257, 1151, 1022, 851, 745, 469; ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.45 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (brs, 1H), 3.75 - 3.67 (m, 1H), 3.43 - 3.35 (m, 1H), 3.27 (t, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 2.35 - 2.23 (m, 2H), 2.08 - 1.85 (m, 3H), 1.78 - 1.69 (m, 1H), 1.53 (s, 9H), 1.40 (s, 9H), 0.89 (s, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.3, 167.6, 167.0, 149.7, 129.1, 127.1, 126.5, 119.6, 111.6, 82.4, 82.1, 79.1, 69.8, 60.4, 49.7, 37.0, 28.8, 28.1, 27.9, 22.6, 13.8; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₅H₃₅NO₆Na [M+Na]⁺: 468.2357, found: 468.2359.



7v: White solid, 65% yield, dr > 50 : 1, m.p.: 101 - 104 °C. $[α]_D^{20} = -85.3$ (*c* 1.27, CHCl₃). FTIR (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3385, 2978, 2950, 2929, 2872, 1732, 1607, 1471, 1393, 1254, 1168, 1135, 1048, 843, 748, 665, 469; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.55 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.71(t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (brs, 1H), 3.47 (dd, *J* = 12.5, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.93 (s, 3H), 2.95 - 2.90 (m, 2H), 1.87 - 1.79 (m, 2H), 1.76 - 1.72 (m, 2H), 1.62 (s, 9H), 1.42 (s, 9H), 1.02 - 0.98 (m, 1H), 0.94 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.4, 168.0, 167.3, 150.4, 129.1, 126.8, 125.8, 119.4, 111.1, 83.2, 82.1, 72.2, 70.8, 51.0, 45.2, 43.2, 32.6, 29.5, 28.2, 28.0, 26.0, 22.5; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₆H₃₇NO₆ [M+H]⁺: 460.2694, found: 460.2691.



To a solution of β -enamino esters **6s-6u** (0.15 mmol) in dry DCM (5 mL) were added S19

Ni(ClO₄)₂·6H₂O (55.0 mg, 0.15 mmol), NiBr₂ (33.0 mg, 0.15 mmol), and MgSO₄ (181.0 mg, 1.50 mmol). The resulting mixture was then stirred at reflux under argon for 8-48 h. After TLC analysis, the mixture was diluted with water (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (3×10 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 20:1 to 10:1) to give the products **7s-7u**.



7s: Colorless oil, 91% yield. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3379, 2977, 1732, 1607, 1482, 1392, 1369, 1270, 1229, 1149, 1024, 850, 836, 747, 636, 590, 540, 470; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.43 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (brs, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.56 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 1.49 (s, 9H), 1.45 (s, 3H), 1.42 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.1, 166.8, 166.7, 149.6, 129.5, 127.6, 125.1, 119.0, 110.7, 82.3, 82.2, 70.2, 66.6, 51.7, 39.3, 28.0, 27.9, 21.5; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₂H₃₁NO₆Na [M+Na]⁺: 428.2044, found: 428.2039.



7t: Colorless oil, 92% yield. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 2798, 1732, 1606, 1470, 1394, 1369, 1258, 1150, 1024, 851, 746; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.42 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 3.28 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 2.10 - 1.96 (m, 2H), 1.48 (s, 9H), 1.46 (s, 9H), 0.88 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.1, 167.1, 166.9, 129.6, 126.9, 126.4, 119.2, 110.5, 82.6, 82.5, 70.6, 70.4, 51.8, 38.1, 29.6, 28.0, 9.7; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₃H₃₃NO₆Na [M+Na]⁺: 442.2200, found: 442.2202.



7u: White solid, 93% yield, m.p.: 89 - 90 °C. **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3377, 2982, 1723, 1606, 1481, 1396, 1371, 1329, 1238, 1144, 1018, 904, 835, 743, 661, 553; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.41 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.75 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.74 - 5.64 (m, 1H), 4.95 - 4.87 (m, 2H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 3.33 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.10 - 1.96 (m, 4H) 1.48 (s, 9H), 1.45 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 172.9, 167.0, 166.7, 149.5, 138.2, 129.5, 126.6, 125.9, 118.8, 114.5, 110.0, 82.5, 82.4, 70.5, 69.6, 51.6, 38.5, 36.3, 29.1, 27.8; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₅H₃₅NO₆Na [M+Na]⁺: 468.2357, found: 468.2359.

2.3 Asymmetric synthesis of products 7w-7z



Procedure leading to enantio-enriched mixture of (+)-**5b** and (–)-**5c**¹: To a solution of chiral amine **S3** (10.81g, 48.0 mmol) in THF (80 mL) was added a 2.5 M *n*-butyllithium solution in hexane (19.2 mL, 48.0 mmol) at -78 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 30 min then ketone **S2** (9.12 g, 40 mmol) in THF (15 mL) was added. The resulting solution was then stirred at -78 °C for 1h before addition of methyl cyanoformate (3.8 mL, 48.0 mmol). After stirring at -78 °C for another 30 min, H₂O (2 mL) was introduced. The pH of the mixture was then adjusted to 7.0 with a 1 M aqueous solution of hydrogen chloride. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 100 mL). The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After being concentrated, the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = 20:1) to give an inseparable mixture of (+)-**5b** and (-)-**5c** (10.50 g, 92%) as a yellow oil².

FTIR (KBr, thin film) *v*_{max} (cm⁻¹): 2953, 2859, 1661, 1443, 1300, 1057, 1033, 1016, 836, 775; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 12.08 (s, 1H), 3.91- 3.85 (m, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 2.38 (dd, *J* = 16.8, 4.8 Hz ,1H), 2.25 - 2.17 (m, 1H), 2.11 (dd, *J* = 15.6, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 1.70 - 1.65 (m, 2H), 0.82 (s, 9H), 0.06 (s, 3H), 0.00(s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.1, 171.6, 95.1, 66.6, 51.6, 31.9, 30.45, 26.00, 25.97, 25.90, 18.3, -4.5, -4.6.



A mixture of (+)-**5b** and (-)-**5c** (3:1, 5.73g, 20.0 mmol) was dissolved in 70 mL of 1% HCl in EtOH. The resulting mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 3 h. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc = $5:1\rightarrow2:1$) to yield a mixture of (+)-**S4** and (-)-**S4** (colorless oil, 3.13 g, 91%)².



To a mixture of β -ketoesters (+)-S4 and (-)-S4 (1.72 g, 10.0 mmol) in THF (20 mL) were added (*S*)-(+)-2-Phenylglycinol S5 (2.74 g, 20.0 mmol) and AcOH (865 µL, 15.0 mmol). The resulting solution was stirred at reflux for 16 h. After being cooled to room temperature, the mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (50 mL), washed with brine (15 mL), and dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄. After concentrated under reduced pressure, the residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (MeOH/ DCM = 1:50 \rightarrow 1:20) to give enamine (-)-S6b (561.1 mg, 18%). Further elution provided (-)-S6a (1.55 g, 54%).

(-)-**S6a**: White solid, 141 - 143 °C. $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = -25.9$ (*c* 1.01, CHCl₃). **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) ν_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3386, 2947, 1720, 1637, 1453, 1247, 1091, 750, 701, 451; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.59 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.37 - 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.30 - 7.25 (m, 3H), 4.70 - 4.65 (m, 1H), 3.90 - 3.81 (m, 2H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.64 - 2.54 (m, 2H), 2.27 (dd, *J* = 15.6, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 2.06 - 1.99 (m, 1H), 1.69 - 1.66 (m, 2H); ¹³**C NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 171.3, 158.6, 140.4, 129.1, 127.9, 126.6, 88.3, 67.7, 66.0, 58.9, 50.8, 33.0, 29.5, 24.0; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₁₆H₂₁NO₄Na [M+H]⁺:

(-)-**S6b**: White solid, 142 - 143 °C. $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = -26.8$ (*c* 0.97, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.61 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.37 - 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.30 - 7.25 (m, 3H), 4.69 - 4.64 (m, 1H), 3.95 - 3.89 (m, 1H), 3.85 - 3.81 (dd, *J* = 11.3, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.77 - 3.74 (m, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.66 (dd, *J* = 15.4, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 2.46 - 2.38 (m, 1H), 2.27 - 2.20 (m, 2H), 1.80 - 1.77 (m, 1H), 1.57 - 1.50 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 171.3, 158.5, 140.3, 129.1, 127.9, 126.5, 88.3, 67.7, 66.3, 58.9, 50.8, 33.1, 29.7, 24.3; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₁₆H₂₁NO₄Na [M+H]⁺: 292.1504, found: 292.1543.



To a solution of enamine **S6** [either (–)-**S6a** or (–)-**S6b**, 1.46 g, 5.01 mmol] in THF (10 mL) was added 1.0 M aqueous solution of sulfuric acid (1.0 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred for 2 h at room temperature then quenched with saturated aqueous solution of NaHCO₃ (30 mL). The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 25 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = $50:1\rightarrow10:1$) to afford β-ketoester **S4**². (+)-**S4a**: 808.0 mg, 94% from (–)-**S6a**; or (–)-**S4b**: 782.0 mg, 91% from (–)-**S6b**.

To a solution of β -ketoester **S4** [either (+)-**S4a** or (-)-**S4b**, 344.0 mg, 2.0 mmol] in DCM were added imidazole (408.0 mg, 6.0 mmol) and TBSCl (603.0 mg, 4.0 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 h before addition of water (50 mL). The mixture was then extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 15 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 50:1) to afford β -ketoester (+)-**5b** or (-)-**5c** as colorless oil².

(+)-**5b**: 543.0 mg, 95% yield, $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = 16.9$ (*c* 1.31, CHCl₃); (-)-**5c**: 526.0 mg, 92% yield, $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = -17.2$ (*c* 1.88, CHCl₃). ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 12.08 (s, 1H), 3.91- 3.85 (m, 1H), 3.69 (s, 1H), 3.69 (

3H), 2.38 (dd, J = 16.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.25 - 2.17 (m, 1H), 2.11 (dd, J = 15.6, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 1.70 -1.65 (m, 2H), 0.82 (s, 9H), 0.06 (s, 3H), 0.00(s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.1, 171.6, 95.1, 66.6, 51.6, 31.9, 30.45, 26.00, 25.97, 25.90, 18.3, -4.5, -4.6.



To a solution of (+)-5b or (-)-5c (143.2 mg 0.50 mmol) and 4a (154.0 mg, 0.50 mmol) in dry EtOH (2 mL) was added CAN (27.4 mg, 0.05 mmol). The resulting mixture was then stirred at room temperature for 24 h. After TLC analysis, the mixture was concentrated, and diluted with EtOAc (35 mL). The resulting solution washed with brine (15 mL), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on Et₃N-pretreated silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = $50:1 \rightarrow 10:1$) to give the β -enamino ester (+)-6w or (-)-6x.

(+)-6w: 224.6 mg, 78% yield. $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{20} = 5.84$ (c 1.37, CHCl₃). (-)-6x: 218.8 mg, 76% yield. $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{20} =$ -5.99 (c 0.94, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.17 (s, 1H), 7.36 (dd, J = 7.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.22 - 7.14 (m, 2H), 7.02 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (s, 1H), 3.88 - 3.78 (m, 1H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 2.54 (dd, J = 14.4, 5.0, Hz 1H), 2.19 - 2.13 (m, 2H), 2.06 - 1.97 (m, 1H), 1.60 - 1.57 (m, 1H), 1.42 - 1.59 (m, 1H), 1.39 (s, 18H), 0.82 (s, 9H), 0.00 (s, 3H), -0.01 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.7, 167.6, 167.6, 156.6, 138.8, 131.8, 129.7, 128.8, 128.4, 126.5, 91.2, 82.3, 67.4, 55.5, 50.8, 33.6, 30.9, 28.0, 26.1, 25.8, 18.3, -4.5, -4.6. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₃₁H₅₀NO₇Si [M+H]⁺: 576.3351, found: 576.3357.



To a solution of β -enamino esters (+)-6w or (-)-6x (86.0 mg, 0.15 mmol) in dry DCM (5 mL) were added Ni(ClO₄)₂·6H₂O (55.0 mg, 0.15 mmol), NiBr₂ (33.0 mg, 0.15 mmol), and MgSO₄

(181.0 mg, 1.50 mmol). The resulting mixture was then stirred at reflux under argon for 8-48 h. After TLC analysis, the mixture was quenched with water (5 mL). The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine (15 mL), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/EtOAc = $20:1 \rightarrow 10:1$) to give the product (+)-7w or (-)-7x.

(+)-**7**w: 62.8 mg, 73% yield, dr > 50 : 1. $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = 20.3$ (*c* 1.7, CHCl₃). (-)-**7**x: 61.9 mg, 72% yield, dr > 50 : 1. $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = -20.6$ (*c* 1.6, CHCl₃). **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 2978, 2932, 2857, 1730, 1659, 1593, 1531, 1369, 1347, 1249, 1137, 963, 887, 836, 777, 751; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2Hz, 1H), 6.74 (t, *J* = 7.6Hz, 1H), 4.09 (s, 1H), 3.81 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 3.6Hz, 1H), 3.03 (s, 3H), 2.55 - 2.46 (m, 1H), 2.06 - 1.98 (m, 1H), 1.84 - 1.79 (m, 1H), 1.74 - 1.71 (m, 3H), 1.58 (s, 9H), 1.41 (s, 9H), 0.91 (s, 9H), 0.06 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.5. 168.0, 166.6, 150.0, 129.0, 127.9, 126.1, 119.7, 111.6, 82.7, 81.8, 71.1, 65.0, 50.9, 40.1, 33.7, 30.1, 28.1, 27.9, 27.6, 25.9, 18.3, -4.8; HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₃₁H₄₉NO₇SiNa [M+Na]⁺: 598.3171, found: 598.3174.



To a solution of (+)-7w (38.0 mg, 0.066 mmol) in THF (1 mL) was added 1.0 M TBAF in THF (3 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at reflux for 4 h. After being cooled to room temperature, the mixture was diluted with water (10 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3×5 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 2:1) to afford (+)-7y (24.7 mg, 81%).

(+)-7y: White solid, m.p.: 178 - 182 °C. $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = 60.2$ (*c* 0.99, CHCl₃).



To a solution of (–)-7x (74.0 mg, 0.13 mmol) in THF (1 mL) was added 1.0 M TBAF in THF (5 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at reflux for 4 h. After being cooled to room temperature, the mixture was diluted with water (10 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3×10 mL). The combined organic phases were washed with brine (10 mL), dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/EtOAc = 2:1) to afford (–)-7z (49.2 mg, 83%).

(-)-7*z*: White solid, m.p.: 178 - 182 °C. $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = -60.5$ (*c* 0.92, CHCl₃). **FTIR** (KBr, thin film) v_{max} (cm⁻¹): 3384, 2978, 2932, 1729, 1607, 1472, 1369, 1256, 1170, 1151, 1027, 840, 750; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.59 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (td, *J* = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.69(d, *J* = 7.6Hz, 1H), 4.18 (s, 1H), 3.96 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 4.0 Hz 1H), 2.98 (s, 3H), 2.66 - 2.58 (m, 1H), 2.10 - 2.03 (m, 1H), 1.83 - 1.79 (m, 4H), 1.61 (s, 9H), 1.43 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.2, 168.0, 167.0, 150.2, 129.1, 127.5, 125.9, 119.8, 111.5, 83.2, 82.2, 71.3, 71.0, 64.4, 51.0, 39.7, 32.7, 29.5, 28.2, 28.0, 27.8; **HRMS** (ESI): Calcd for C₂₅H₃₅NO₇Na [M+H]⁺: 461.2486, found: 461.2488.



2.4 Powder X-ray diffraction (XRD) of Ni(ClO₄)₂·6H₂O/NiBr₂ complex

Figure S1 XRD patterns: (a) Ni(ClO₄)₂·6H₂O, (b) NiBr₂, (c) Ni(ClO₄)₂·6H₂O and NiBr₂ physical mixture (1:1 molar ratio), (d) Ni(ClO₄)₂·6H₂O/NiBr₂ complex.

Preparation of Ni(ClO₄)₂· $6H_2O/NiBr_2$ complex: A mixture of Ni(ClO₄)₂· $6H_2O$ (110.0 mg, 0.3 mmol), NiBr₂ (65.6 mg, 0.3) and DCM (5 mL) was heated at reflux under Ar for 12 h. The resulting mixture was then evaporated under reduced pressure to remove the solvent and dried in a vacuum dryer at room temperature for 6 h to give Ni(ClO₄)₂· $6H_2O/NiBr_2$ complex.

XRD patterns were obtained using a Rigaku TTR diffractometer with Cu K α radiation (180 kV), at a scanning rate of 9°/min. Powder samples were mounted on a vitreous sample holder and scanned with a step size of $2\theta = 0.02^{\circ}$ between $2\theta = 10^{\circ}$ and 90° .

2.5 UV-vis spectral changes of model substrate 6a by addition of Lewis acids



Figure S2 UV–vis spectral changes of model substrate **6a** (0.04 mM) by addition of Lewis acid (a: 0 mM, b: NiBr₂ (0.08 mM), c: Ni(ClO4)₂·6H₂O (0.08 mM), d: NiBr₂ (0.04 mM) and Ni(ClO4)₂·6H₂O (0.04 mM)).

Absorption spectra measurements were carried out with a Shimadzu UV 1900 UV-Vis spectrophotometer using a conventional 1 cm path (1cm×1cm×4 cm) quartz cell. Given the poor solubility of Lewis acids (NiBr₂ and Ni(ClO₄)₂·6H₂O) in DCM, a DCM/DMF (V : V = 88 : 12) solution was used in the spectral measurements. The concentration of model substrate **6a** was held constant at 4×10^{-5} M·L⁻¹ (0.04 mM). Then, an appropriate amount of Lewis acid was added, and the final concentrations was held at 8×10^{-5} M·L⁻¹ (0.08 mM). The absorption spectra measurements were taken after 30 min. The measurements were done in the 260–600 nm spectral range.

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3. Copies of ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra





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S2 ¹H NMR of **6a** in CD_2Cl_2

4. X-ray single crystal diffraction data

Crystal data for **7b**: C₂₆H₃₇NO₆, M = 459.56, a = 14.5546(4) Å, b = 19.3096(6) Å, c = 8.6608(3) Å, $a = 90^{\circ}$, $\beta = 94.4460(10)^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 90^{\circ}$, V = 2426.74(13) Å³, T = 100.(2) K, space group C1c1, Z = 4, μ (Cu K α) = 0.718 mm⁻¹, 10507 reflections mEtOAcsured, 3811 independent reflections ($R_{int} = 0.0265$). The final R_I values were 0.0287 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$). The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.0877 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$). The final R_I values were 0.0289 (all data). The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.0882 (all data). The goodness of fit on F^2 was 0.829. Flack parameter = 0.12(7).



View of a molecule of **7b** with the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.



View of the pack drawing of **7b**.

Hydrogen-bonds are shown as dashed lines.

Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for **7b**.

Identification code	global
Empirical formula	C26 H37 N O6
Formula weight	459.56
Temperature	100(2) K
Wavelength	1.54178 Å

Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	C 1 c 1	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 14.5546(4) \text{ Å}$ $\alpha = 90^{\circ}.$	
	b = 19.3096(6) Å	β= 94.4460(10)°.
	c = 8.6608(3) Å	$\gamma = 90^{\circ}$.
Volume	2426.74(13) Å ³	
Ζ	4	
Density (calculated)	1.258 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.718 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	992	
Crystal size	0.300 x 0.280 x 0.070 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	3.81 to 72.38°.	
Index ranges	-17<=h<=17, -23<=k<=23, -10<=l<=10	
Reflections collected	10507	
Independent reflections	3811 [R(int) = 0.0265]	
Completeness to theta = 72.38°	99.4 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	0.95 and 0.82	
Refinement method	Full-matrix lEtOAcst-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	3811 / 2 / 306	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	0.829	
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0287, wR2 = 0.0877	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0289, wR2 = 0.0882	
Absolute structure parameter	0.12(7)	
Largest diff. pEtOAck and hole	0.383 and -0.356 e.Å ⁻³	

Crystal data for **7e**: C₂₆H₃₇NO₇, M = 475.56, a = 15.3793(4) Å, b = 19.2972(5) Å, c = 8.5773(2) Å, $a = 90^{\circ}$, $\beta = 99.0460(10)^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 90^{\circ}$, V = 2513.89(11) Å³, T = 100.(2) K, space group C1c1, Z = 4, μ (Cu K α) = 0.742 mm⁻¹, 14331 reflections mEtOAcsured, 4740 independent reflections ($R_{int} = 0.0257$). The final R_I values were 0.0305 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$). The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.0941 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$). The final R_I values were 0.0305 (all data). The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.0941 (all data). The goodness of fit on F^2 was 0.911. Flack parameter = 0.02(3).



View of the molecules in an asymmetric unit. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.



View of the pack drawing of **7e**. Hydrogen-bonds are shown as dashed lines.

Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for 7e.

global
C26 H37 N O7
475.56
100(2) K
1.54178 Å

Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	C 1 c 1	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 15.3793(4)$ Å $\alpha = 90^{\circ}$.	
	b = 19.2972(5) Å	β= 99.0460(10)°.
	c = 8.5773(2) Å	$\gamma = 90^{\circ}$.
Volume	2513.89(11) Å ³	
Ζ	4	
Density (calculated)	1.257 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.742 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	1024	
Crystal size	0.310 x 0.290 x 0.160 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	7.42 to 72.32°.	
Index ranges	-18<=h<=18, -21<=k<=23, -10<=l<=10	
Reflections collected	14331	
Independent reflections	4740 [R(int) = 0.0257]	
Completeness to theta = 72.32°	99.1 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents	
Max. and min. transmission	0.89 and 0.79	
Refinement method	Full-matrix lEtOAcst-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	4740 / 2 / 315	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	0.911	
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0305, wR2 = 0.0941	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0305, wR2 = 0.0941	
Absolute structure parameter	0.02(3)	
Largest diff. pEtOAck and hole	0.367 and -0.324 e.Å ⁻³	

Crystal data for 7v: C₂₆H₃₇NO₆, M = 459.56, a = 10.5703(2) Å, b = 18.2177(4) Å, c = 13.5717(3) Å, $a = 90^{\circ}$, $\beta = 98.1910(10)^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 90^{\circ}$, V = 2586.79(9) Å³, T = 100.(2) K, space group *P*1211, Z = 4, μ (Cu K α) = 0.674 mm⁻¹, 49073 reflections measured, 10163 independent reflections ($R_{int} = 0.0282$). The final R_1 values were 0.0282 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$). The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.0727 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$). The final R_1 values were 0.0285 (all data). The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.0731 (all data). The goodness of fit on F^2 was 1.040. Flack parameter = 0.00(2).



View of the molecules in an asymmetric unit. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.



View of a molecule of **7v** with the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.



View of the pack drawing of 7v.

Hydrogen-bonds are shown as dashed lines.

Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for 7v.

Identification code	global	
Empirical formula	C26 H37 N O6	
Formula weight	459.56	
Temperature	100(2) K	
Wavelength	1.54178 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P 1 21 1	
Unit cell dimensions	a = 10.5703(2) Å	α= 90°.
	b = 18.2177(4) Å	β=98.1910(10)°.
	c = 13.5717(3) Å	$\gamma = 90^{\circ}$.
Volume	2586.79(9) Å ³	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.180 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.674 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	992	
Crystal size	0.390 x 0.250 x 0.120 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	4.09 to 72.49°.	
Index ranges	-13<=h<=12, -22<=k<=22, -16<=l<=16	
Reflections collected	49073	

Independent reflections	10163 [R(int) = 0.0282]
Completeness to theta = 72.49°	99.8 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.92 and 0.82
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	10163 / 1 / 611
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.040
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0282, wR2 = 0.0727
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0285, wR2 = 0.0731
Absolute structure parameter	0.00(2)
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.503 and -0.341 e.Å ⁻³

Crystal data for (+)-7y: C₂₅H₃₅NO₇, M = 461.54, a = 10.8932(2) Å, b = 17.0966(3)Å, c = 39.2989(7) Å, $a = 90^{\circ}$, $\beta = 90^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 90^{\circ}$, V = 7318.9(2) Å³, T = 100.(2) K, space group *P*212121, Z = 12, μ (Cu K α) = 0.750 mm⁻¹, 79501 reflections measured, 14460 independent reflections ($R_{int} = 0.0541$). The final R_I values were 0.0328 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$). The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.0821 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$). The final R_I values were 0.0353 (all data). The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.0840 (all data). The goodness of fit on F^2 was 1.023. Flack parameter = 0.02(4).



View of the molecules in an asymmetric unit. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.



View of a molecule of (+)-7y with the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.



View of the pack drawing of (+)-7y. Hydrogen-bonds are shown as dashed lines.

Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for $(+)$ -7y.			
Identification code	global		
Empirical formula	C25 H35 N O7		
Formula weight	461.54		
Temperature	100(2) K		
Wavelength	1.54178 Å		
Crystal system	Orthorhombic		
Space group	P212121		
Unit cell dimensions	a = 10.8932(2) Å α=	90°.	
	$b = 17.0966(3) \text{ Å} $ $\beta =$	90°.	
	$c = 39.2989(7) \text{ Å}$ $\gamma =$	90°.	
Volume	7318.9(2) Å ³		
Z	12		
Density (calculated)	1.257 Mg/m ³		
Absorption coefficient	0.750 mm ⁻¹		
F(000)	2976		
Crystal size	0.420 x 0.200 x 0.200 mm ³		
Theta range for data collection	2.25 to 72.40°.		
Index ranges	-13<=h<=10, -21<=k<=21, -48<=l<=48		
Reflections collected	79501		
Independent reflections	14460 [R(int) = 0.0541]		
Completeness to theta = 72.40°	99.8 %		
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents		
Max. and min. transmission	0.86 and 0.75		
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²		
Data / restraints / parameters	14460 / 0 / 916		
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.023		
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0328, $wR2 = 0.0821$		
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0353, $wR2 = 0.0840$		
Absolute structure parameter	ructure parameter 0.02(4)		
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.487 and -0.391 e.Å ⁻³		

Crystal data for (-)-7**z**: C₂₅H₃₅NO₇, M = 461.54, a = 10.8971(2) Å, b = 17.1101(3) Å, c = 39.2778(7) Å, $a = 90^{\circ}$, $\beta = 90^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 90^{\circ}$, V = 7323.4(2) Å³, T = 100.(2) K, space group *P*212121, Z = 12, μ (Cu K α) = 0.749 mm⁻¹, 147122 reflections measured, 14487 independent reflections ($R_{int} = 0.0390$). The final R_I values were 0.0282 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$).

The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.0750 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$). The final R_I values were 0.0288 (all data). The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.0756 (all data). The goodness of fit on F^2 was 1.032. Flack parameter = 0.010(19).



View of the molecules in an asymmetric unit. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.



View of a molecule of (-)-7z with the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.



View of the pack drawing of (-)-7z.

Hydrogen-bonds are shown as dashed lines.

Table 1. Crystal data and structure ref	inement for (–)-7z.		
Identification code	global		
Empirical formula	C25 H35 N O7		
Formula weight	461.54		
Temperature	100(2) K		
Wavelength	1.54178 Å		
Crystal system	Orthorhombic		
Space group	P212121		
Unit cell dimensions	a = 10.8971(2) Å	α= 90°.	
	b = 17.1101(3) Å	β= 90°.	
	c = 39.2778(7) Å	$\gamma = 90^{\circ}.$	
Volume	7323.4(2) Å ³		
Z	12		
Density (calculated)	1.256 Mg/m ³		
Absorption coefficient	0.749 mm ⁻¹	0.749 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	2976		
Crystal size	0.270 x 0.180 x 0.160 mm	0.270 x 0.180 x 0.160 mm ³	
Theta range for data collection	2.25 to 72.31°.	2.25 to 72.31°.	
Index ranges	-12<=h<=13, -21<=k<=2	-12<=h<=13, -21<=k<=21, -48<=l<=47	

Reflections collected	147122
Independent reflections	14487 [R(int) = 0.0390]
Completeness to theta = 72.31°	99.9 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.89 and 0.76
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	14487 / 0 / 916
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.032
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0282, wR2 = 0.0750
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0288, wR2 = 0.0756
Absolute structure parameter	0.010(19)
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.440 and -0.412 e.Å ⁻³

Crystal data for **6a**: C₂₅H₃₅NO₆, M = 445.54, a = 9.2271(3) Å, b = 17.1809(5) Å, c = 15.5673(5) Å, $a = 90^{\circ}$, $\beta = 103.8030(10)^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 90^{\circ}$, V = 2396.61(13) Å³, T = 100.(2) K, space group P121/n1, Z = 4, μ (Cu K α) = 0.712 mm⁻¹, 25019 reflections measured, 4711 independent reflections ($R_{int} = 0.0393$). The final R_I values were 0.0365 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$). The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.0871 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$). The final R_I values were 0.0386 (all data). The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.0888 (all data). The goodness of fit on F^2 was 1.039.



View of a molecule of **6a** with the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.



View of a molecule of **6a** with the atom-labelling scheme.

Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

Hydrogen-bonds are shown as dashed lines



View of the pack drawing of **6a**.

Hydrogen-bonds are shown as dashed lines.

Table 1.	Crystal data and	structure refinement for 6a .
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Identification code	global	
Empirical formula	C25 H35 N O6	
Formula weight	445.54	
Temperature	100(2) K	
Wavelength	1.54178 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P 1 21/n 1	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 9.2271(3) \text{ Å}$ $\alpha =$	90°.

	b = 17.1809(5) Å	β= 103.8030(10)°.
	c = 15.5673(5) Å	$\gamma = 90^{\circ}$.
Volume	2396.61(13) Å ³	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.235 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.712 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	960	
Crystal size	$0.360 \ge 0.350 \ge 0.250 \text{ mm}^3$	
Theta range for data collection	3.90 to 72.22°.	
Index ranges	-11<=h<=11, -18<=k<=21, -17<=l<=19	
Reflections collected	25019	
Independent reflections	4711 [R(int) = 0.0393]	
Completeness to theta = 72.22°	99.6 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalen	its
Max. and min. transmission	0.84 and 0.72	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	4711 / 0 / 300	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.039	
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0365, wR2 = 0.0871	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0386, wR2 = 0.0888	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.288 and -0.224 e.Å ⁻³	

Crystal data for **S6a**: C₁₆H₂₁NO₄, M = 291.34, a = 16.2391(4) Å, b = 16.2391(4) Å, c = 5.8098(2) Å, $a = 90^{\circ}$, $\beta = 90^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 90^{\circ}$, V = 1532.09(9) Å³, T = 100.(2) K, space group *P*43, Z = 4, μ (Cu K α) = 0.742 mm⁻¹, 13244 reflections measured, 2367 independent reflections ($R_{int} = 0.0353$). The final R_I values were 0.0287 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$). The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.0725 ($I > 2\sigma(I)$). The final R_I values were 0.0294 (all data). The final $wR(F^2)$ values were 0.0732 (all data). The goodness of fit on F^2 was 1.062. Flack parameter = -0.01(12).


View of a molecule of **S6a** with the atom-labelling scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.



View of the pack drawing of S6a.

Hydrogen-bonds are shown as dashed lines.

Table 1. Crystal data and structure refinement for S6a .		
Identification code	global	
Empirical formula	C16 H21 N O4	
Formula weight	291.34	
Temperature	100(2) K	
Wavelength	1.54178 Å	
Crystal system	Tetragonal	
Space group	P43	

Unit cell dimensions	a = 16.2391(4) Å	$\alpha = 90^{\circ}$.
	b = 16.2391(4) Å	β= 90°.
	c = 5.8098(2) Å	$\gamma = 90^{\circ}$.
Volume	1532.09(9) Å ³	
Ζ	4	
Density (calculated)	1.263 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.742 mm ⁻¹	
F(000)	624	
Crystal size	$0.660 \ x \ 0.120 \ x \ 0.090 \ mm^3$	
Theta range for data collection	2.72 to 72.32°.	
Index ranges	-20<=h<=20, -20<=k<=19, -7<	<=l<=5
Reflections collected	13244	
Independent reflections	2367 [R(int) = 0.0353]	
Completeness to theta = 72.32°	99.6 %	
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalent	its
Max. and min. transmission	0.94 and 0.80	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	2367 / 1 / 195	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.062	
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0287, wR2 = 0.0725	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0294, wR2 = 0.0732	
Absolute structure parameter	-0.01(12)	
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.123 and -0.182 e.Å ⁻³	