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### Low-molecular-weight Anti-HIV-1 Agents Targeting HIV-1 Capsid Proteins

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#### I. General information

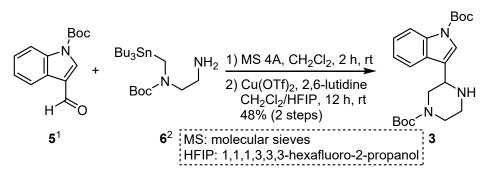
#### **I-I.** General methods

All reactions were performed using commercially supplied reagents and solvents in dried glassware under an atmosphere of nitrogen unless otherwise noted. Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on Merck  $60F_{254}$  precoated silica gel plates and was visualized by fluorescence quenching under UV light and by staining with phosphomolybdic acid, *p*-anisaldehyde, or ninhydrin, respectively. Flash column chromatography was carried out with silica gel 60 N (Kanto Chemical Co., Inc.) or automatic silica gel flash column chromatography system (Isolera One (Biotage, Sweden). Preparative RP-HPLC was performed using a Cosmosil  $5C_{18}$ -ARII column ( $20 \times 250$  mm, Nacalai Tesque, Inc., Japan) on a JASCO PU-2089 plus (JASCO Corporation, Ltd., Japan) in a linear gradient of CH<sub>3</sub>CN containing 0.1% TFA (Solvent B) in H<sub>2</sub>O containing 0.1% (v/v) TFA (Solvent A) at a flow rate of 10 cm<sup>3</sup> min<sup>-1</sup>, and eluting products were detected by UV at 254 nm.

#### **I-II. Characterization Data**

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz or 500 MHz) and <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz or 125 MHz) spectra were recorded using a Bruker AVANCE III 400 spectrometer and Bruker AVANCE 500 spectrometer (Bruker, USA). Coupling constants are reported in Hertz, and peak shifts are reported in d (ppm) relative to CDCl<sub>3</sub> (<sup>1</sup>H 7.26 ppm, <sup>13</sup>C 77.16 ppm), MeOD (<sup>1</sup>H 3.31 ppm, <sup>13</sup>C 49.00 ppm) or dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO)- $d_6$  (<sup>1</sup>H 2.50 ppm, <sup>13</sup>C 39.52 ppm). Low- and high-resolution mass spectra were recorded on a Bruker Daltonics micrOTOF focus in the positive and negative detection mode. For analytical RP-HPLC, a Cosmosil 5C<sub>18</sub>-ARII column (4.6 × 250 mm, Nacalai Tesque, Inc.) was employed with a linear gradient of CH<sub>3</sub>CN containing 0.1% (v/v) trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) (Solvent B) in H<sub>2</sub>O containing 0.1% (v/v) TFA (Solvent A) at a flow rate of 1.0 cm<sup>3</sup> min<sup>-1</sup> on a PU-2089 plus (JASCO Corporation, Ltd.), and eluting products were detected by UV at 254 nm. Elemental analyses were performed by A Rabbit Science Japan Co., Ltd., Sagamihara, Kanagawa.

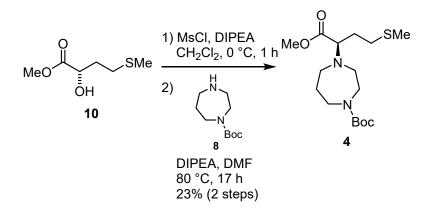
#### **II. Experimental procedures**



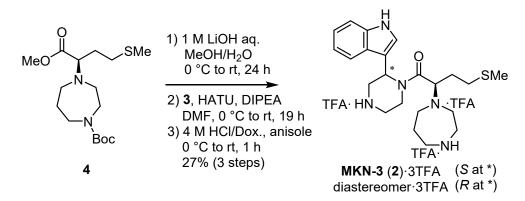
*tert*-Butyl 3-(4-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)piperazin-2-yl)-1*H*-indole-1-carboxylate (3): Compound 6 and compound 3 were synthesized using previously reported procedure.<sup>1,2</sup> 5 (1.23 g, 5.00 mmol) and SnAP Pip 6 (209  $\mu$ L, 5.00 mmol) was converted into the title compound 3 (1.91 g, 4.77  $\mu$ mol, 48% in 2 steps) as a white solid; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.49 (s, 9H), 1.66 (s, 9H), 2.92-3.12 (m, 4H), 4.03-4.33 (m, 3H), 7.23-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.60 (s, 1H), 7.69 (s, 1H), 8.16 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  28.4 (3C), 28.6 (3C), 46.2 (2C), 52.8 (2C), 80.0, 83.8, 115.6, 119.4, 121.1, 122.7, 124.7, 129.0, 135.8, 149.8, 154.9; HRMS (ESI), *m/z* calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 402.2387, found 402.2382.



**Methyl (S)-2-hydroxy-4-(methylthio)butanoate (10)**: Compound **9** was synthesized using previously reported procedure.<sup>3</sup> To a solution of **9** (5.57 g, 37.1 mmol) in MeOH (90.0 mL) and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (90.0 mL) was added a solution of Trimethylsilyl (TMS) diazomethane in Et<sub>2</sub>O (2.00 M, 28.0 mL, 55.7 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 1 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure followed by purification using flash column chromatography with *n*-hexane/EtOAc (3:1) to obtain the title compound **10** (3.53 g, 58% yield) as yellow oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  1.88-2.14 (m, 2H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 2.62-2.66 (m, 2H), 3.08 (s, 3H), 4.32-4.35 (m, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  15.6, 29.7, 33.6, 52.8, 69.3, 175.5; HRMS (ESI), *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>NaO<sub>3</sub>S [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 187.0399, found 187.0404.

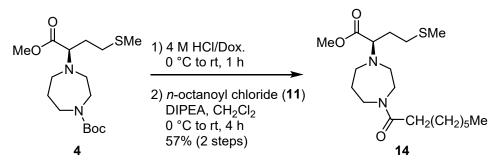


*tert*-Butyl (*R*)-4-(1-methoxy-4-(methylthio)-1-oxobutan-2-yl)-1,4-diazepane-1-carboxylate (4): To a solution of 10 (4.96 g, 30.2 mmol) and *N*,*N*-diisopropylethylamine (DIPEA, 15.8 mL, 90.6 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (150 mL) was added mesyl chloride (MsCl, 4.00 mL, 45.3 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 1 h. The reaction mixture was added saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl. The mixture was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and washed with brine. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to provide the crude mesylate. The crude mesylate and DIPEA (15.8 mL, 90.6 mmol) in *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide (DMF, 60.0 mL) were added *tert*-butyl 1,4-diazepane-1-carboxylate 8 (12.1 g, 60.4 mmol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 17 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure followed by purification using flash column chromatography with *n*-hexane/EtOAc (3:1) to obtain the title compound 4 (2.41 g, 23% in 2 steps) as yellow oil: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): (mixture of rotamers)  $\delta$  1.45 (s, 9H), 1.69-1.82, (m, 1H), 1.84-2.01 (m, 2H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 2.56-2.72 (m, 4H), 2.80-2.91 (m, 2H), 3.33-3.50 (m, 5H), 3.69 (m, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): (mixture of rotamers)  $\delta$  1.5.4, 28.5 (3C), 29.1, 29.3, 30.9, 46.1, 48.4, 51.2, 51.8, 52.9, 66.5, 66.6, 79.2, 155.5, 173.3; HRMS (ESI), *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>30</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 347.1999, found 347.2001.



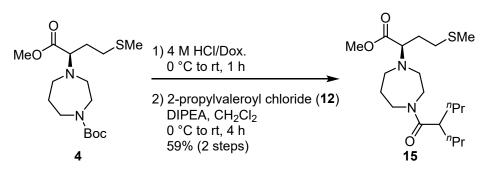
(2*R*)-1-(2-(1*H*-Indol-3-yl)piperazin-1-yl)-2-(1,4-diazepan-1-yl)-4-(methylthio)butan-1-one·3TFA (2·3TFA, MKN-3·3TFA): To a solution of 4 (34.6 mg, 100  $\mu$ mol) in MeOH (1.00 mL) was added 1.00 M LiOH aq. (250  $\mu$ L, 250  $\mu$ mol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 24 h. The reaction mixture was added saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was dried

over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to provide the crude carboxylic acid. The carboxylic acid in DMF (1.00 mL) was added 1-[bis(dimethylamino)methylene]-1H-1,2,3-triazolo[4,5-b]pyridinium 3-oxide hexafluorophosphate (HATU, 41.8 mg, 110 µmol), DIPEA (105 µL, 600 µmol) and 3 (44.2 mg, 110 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 19 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amide. The crude amide and anisole (130 µL, 1.20 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (500 µL) was added 4 M HCl/dioxane (HCl/Dox., 500 µL, 2.00 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature. The mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure followed by purification with preparative RP-HPLC to obtain the tris-trifluoroacetate salt of the title compound 2 (20.6 mg, 27.2  $\mu$ mol, 27% in 3 steps) as freeze-dried powder:  $t_{\rm R} = 21.6$  min and 22.1 min (linear gradient of B in A, 10 to 30% over 40 min); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- $d_6$ ): (mixture of diastereomers) δ 1.76-2.09 (m, 6H), 2.73-3.39 (m, 10H), 3.90-4.24 (m, 7H), 5.75-6.18 (m, 1H), 6.91-7.06 (m, 1H, indole C5, C6-H), 7.08-7.12 (m, 1H, indole C5, C6-H), 7.32-7.52 (m, 2H, indole C2-H and C4, C7-H), 7.53-7.64 (m, 1H, indole C4,C7-H), 8.61-8.79 (m, 1H), 9.49-9.62 (m, 1H), 11.3 (br, 1H, indole N-H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, DMSO*d*<sub>6</sub>): (mixture of diastereomers) δ 15.1, 24.9, 25.0, 25.4, 25.9, 30.8, 30.9, 31.0, 38.6, 44.4, 45.3, 47.2, 50.8, 63.2, 109.6, 112.2, 115.9, 118.3, 119.1, 122.0, 125.1, 137.1, 158.7; HRMS (ESI), *m/z* calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>33</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 416.2479, found 416.2479. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS·3TFA: C, 44.39; H, 4.79; N, 9.24. Found: C, 45.23; H, 5.67; N, 9.47.

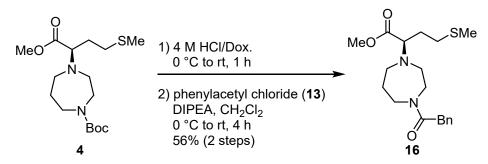


Methyl (*R*)-4-(methylthio)-2-(4-octanoyl-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)butanoate (14): Compound 4 (173 mg, 500  $\mu$ mol) was added 4 M HCl/dioxane (2.50 mL, 10.0 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amine. The crude amine in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2.50 mL) was added DIPEA (348  $\mu$ L, 2.00 mmol) and *n*-octanoyl chloride **11** (173  $\mu$ g, 1.00 mmol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 4 h. The reaction mixture was added silica gel and evaporated. The residue was purified by automated silica gel flush column chromatography system (Isolera One) with *n*-hexane/EtOAc (92:8 to 30:70) to obtain the title compound **14** (102 mg, 57% in 2 steps) as colorless oil: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): (mixture of rotamers)  $\delta$  0.86-0.89 (m, 3H), 1.28-1.31 (m, 8H), 1.62-1.63 (m, 2H), 1.69-2.03 (m, 4H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 2.27-2.31 (m, 2H), 2.56-2.98 (m, 6H), 3.44-3.62 (m, 5H), 3.68-3.70 (m, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): (mixture of rotamers)  $\delta$  14.2, 15.6, 22.8, 25.5, 29.3, 29.7, 31.1, 31.9, 33.6, 44.6, 47.2, 49.7, 51.5, 52.0, 52.7, 54.0, 66.7, 173.0, 173.3; HRMS

(ESI), m/z calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>37</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 373.2519, found 373.2514.

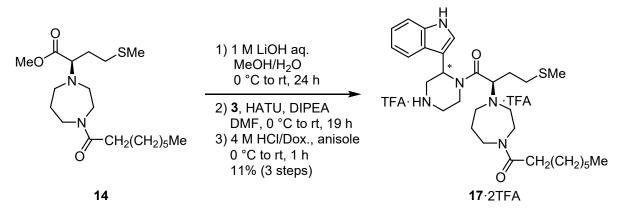


**Methyl (***R***)-4-(methylthio)-2-(4-(2-propylpentanoyl)-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)butanoate (15**): Compound 4 (173 mg, 500 µmol) was added 4 M HCl/dioxane (2.50 mL, 10.0 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, and then concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amine. The crude amine in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2.50 mL) was added DIPEA (348 µL, 2.00 mmol) and 2-propylvaleroyl chloride 12 (171 µL, 1.00 mmol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 4 h. The reaction mixture was added silica gel and evaporated. The residue was purified by automated silica gel flush column chromatography system (Isolera One) with *n*-hexane/EtOAc (92:8 to 30:70) to obtain the title compound **15** (106 mg, 59% in 2 steps) as colorless oil: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): (mixture of rotamers)  $\delta$  0.89 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 6H), 1.21-1.41 (m, 6H), 1.62-2.04 (m, 6H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 2.56-2.98 (m, 7H), 3.49-3.64 (m, 4H), 3.68-3.69 (m, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): (mixture of rotamers)  $\delta$  14.5, 15.5, 21.1, 28.7, 29.4, 30.2, 31.1, 35.5, 35.6, 41.2, 44.6, 47.0, 49.5, 51.4, 53.3, 54.4, 66.7, 173.2, 176.1; HRMS (ESI), *m/z* calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>36</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 373.2519, found 373.2514.

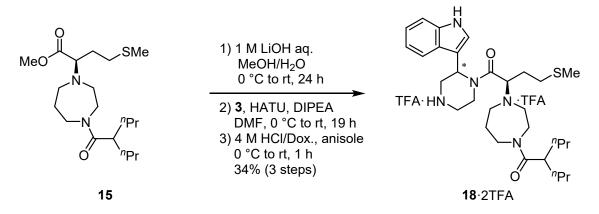


Methyl (*R*)-4-(methylthio)-2-(4-(2-phenylacetyl)-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)butanoate (16): Compound 4 (173 mg, 500  $\mu$ mol) was added 4 M HCl/dioxane (2.50 mL, 10.0 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, and then concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amine. The crude amine in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2.50 mL) was added DIPEA (348  $\mu$ L, 2.00 mmol) and phenylacetyl chloride 13 (132  $\mu$ L, 1.00 mmol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h. The reaction mixture was added silica gel and evaporated. The residue was purified by automated silica gel flush column chromatography system (Isolera One) with *n*-hexane/EtOAc (88:12 to 0:100) to obtain the title compound 16 (103 mg, 56% in

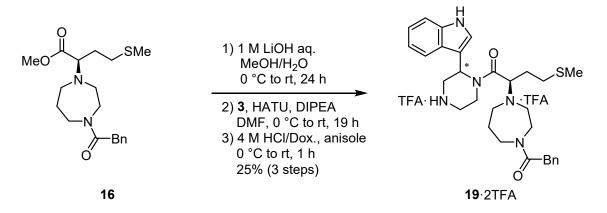
2 steps) as brown oil: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): (mixture of rotamers) δ 1.66-1.76 (m, 1H), 1.77-1.91 (m, 2H), 1.92-2.01 (m, 1H), 2.08-2.09 (m, 3H), 2.50-2.91 (m, 6H), 3.44-3.72 (m, 10H), 7.22-7.33 (m, 5H); <sup>13</sup>C {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): (mixture of rotamers) δ 15.6, 28.3, 29.3, 31.0, 41.4, 44.8, 47.4, 50.1, 51.9, 51.5, 52.0, 53.8, 66.7, 126.9, 128.8, 128.9, 135.3, 170.8, 173.2; HRMS (ESI), *m/z* calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>29</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 365.1893, found 365.1888.



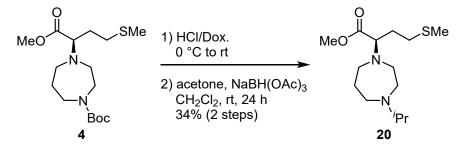
1-(4-((2R)-1-(2-(1H-Indol-3-yl)piperazin-1-yl)-4-(methylthio)-1-oxobutan-2-yl)-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)-2propylpentan-1-one·2TFA (17·2TFA): To a solution of compound 14 (35.9 mg, 100 µmol) in MeOH (1.00 mL) was added 1.00 M LiOH aq. (250 µL, 250 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude carboxylic acid. The crude carboxylic acid in DMF (1.00 mL) was added HATU (41.8 mg, 110 µmol), DIPEA (105 µL, 600 µmol) and compound 3 (44.2 mg, 110 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 19 h. The mixture was added saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amide. The crude amide and anisole (109 µL, 1.00 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (500 µL) were added 4 M HCl/dioxane (500 µL, 2.00 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature, and then concentrated under reduced pressure followed by purification with preparative RP-HPLC to obtain the *bis*-trifluoroacetate salt of the title compound 17 (8.30 mg, 10.8  $\mu$ mol, 11% in 3 steps) as freeze-dried powder:  $t_{\rm R} = 22.5$  min and 22.8 min (linear gradient of B in A, 20 to 50% over 30 min); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers) δ 0.89-0.92 (m, 3H), 1.17-3.22 (m, 28H), 3.41-4.38 (m, 9H), 6.96-7.11 (m, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.13-7.23 (m, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.29-7.65 (m, 3H, indole C2-H and C4,C7-H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers)  $\delta$  15.1, 15.2, 15.3, 23.7, 24.6, 26.6, 29.3, 30.3, 30.5, 32.1, 32.3, 32.9, 34.2, 39.6, 44.5, 45.2, 45.9, 46.7, 47.5, 65.7, 112.9, 119.7, 120.7, 123.4, 123.5, 124.8, 124.9, 138.7, 162.9, 175.7; HRMS (ESI), *m/z* calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>48</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 542.3523, found 542.3523. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>47</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S·2TFA: C, 53.05; H, 6.42; N, 9.10. Found: C, 53.14; H, 6.71; N, 8.74.



1-(4-((2R)-1-(2-(1H-Indol-3-yl)piperazin-1-yl)-4-(methylthio)-1-oxobutan-2-yl)-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)octan-1-one 2TFA (18·2TFA): To a solution of compound 15 (35.9 mg, 100 µmol) in MeOH (1.00 mL) was added 1.00 M LiOH aq. (250 µL, 250 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude carboxylic acid. The crude carboxylic acid in DMF (1.00 mL) was added HATU (41.8 mg, 110 µmol), DIPEA (105 µL, 600 µmol) and compound **3** (44.2 mg, 110 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 19 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO4 and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amide. The crude amide and anisole (109  $\mu$ L, 1.00 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (500  $\mu$ L) were added 4 M HCl/dioxane (500 µL, 2.00 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature, and then concentrated under reduced pressure followed by purification with preparative RP-HPLC to obtain the bistrifluoroacetate salt of the title compound 18 (26.4 mg, 34.0  $\mu$ mol, 34% in 3 steps) as freeze-dried powder:  $t_{\rm R}$  = 20.0 min and 20.7 min (linear gradient of B in A, 20 to 50% over 30 min); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers) & 0.72-1.02 (m, 6H), 1.09-3.29 (m, 25H), 3.35-4.53 (m, 9H), 6.99-7.13 (m, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.14-7.26 (m, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.32-7.66 (m, 3H, indole C2-H and C4,C7-H), 10.93 (br, 1H, indole N-H);  ${}^{13}C{}^{1}H$  NMR (125 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers)  $\delta$  14.6, 14.7, 21.8, 21.9, 27.7, 31.3, 36.4, 36.5, 39.7, 42.2, 44.1, 44.3, 45.0, 45.3, 45.9, 46.5, 46.9, 49.9, 54.2, 65.6, 112.9, 113.1, 119.7, 120.7, 123.5, 125.0, 126.7, 138.6, 162.8, 178.5; HRMS (ESI), m/z calcd for  $C_{30}H_{48}N_5O_2S$  [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 542.3523, found 542.3521. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>47</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S·2TFA: C, 53.05; H, 6.42; N, 9.10. Found: C, 50.38; H, 6.44; N, 8.67.

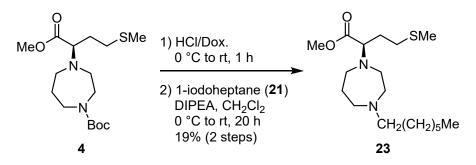


(2R)-1-(2-(1H-Indol-3-yl)piperazin-1-yl)-4-(methylthio)-2-(4-(2-phenylacetyl)-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)butan-1-one 2TFA (19.2TFA): To a solution of compound 16 (36.5 mg, 0.100 mmol) in MeOH (1.00 mL) was added 1.00 M LiOH aq. (250 µL, 250 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude carboxylic acid. The crude carboxylic acid in DMF (1.00 mL) was added HATU (41.8 mg, 110 µmol), DIPEA (105 µL, 600 µmol) and **3** (44.2 mg, 110 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 19 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO4 and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amide. The crude amide and anisole (109 µL, 1.00 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (500 µL) were added 4 M HCl/dioxane (500 µL, 2.00 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature, and then concentrated under reduced pressure followed by purification with preparative RP-HPLC to obtain the bistrifluoroacetate salt of the title compound **32** (19.0 mg, 24.9  $\mu$ mol, 25% in 3 steps) as freeze-dried powder: t<sub>R</sub> = 14.0 min (linear gradient of B in A, 20 to 50% over 30 min); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers) & 1.45-3.29 (m, 15H), 3.36-4.56 (m, 12H), 6.96-7.67 (m, 10H, including indole C2~C6-H), 10.94 (br, 1H, indole N-H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers) § 15.0, 30.5, 31.0, 31.5, 39.7, 41.5, 44.2, 44.9, 45.9, 47.2, 47.5, 53.4, 54.6, 65.4, 113.0, 119.2, 119.8, 120.7, 121.2, 123.6, 125.0, 125.2, 128.1, 129.8, 130.0, 131.0, 136.3, 138.5, 162.8, 173.9; HRMS (ESI), m/z calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>40</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 534.2897, found 534.2897. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>39</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S·2TFA: C, 53.61; H, 5.43; N, 9.19. Found: C, 51.74; H, 5.17; N, 9.05.

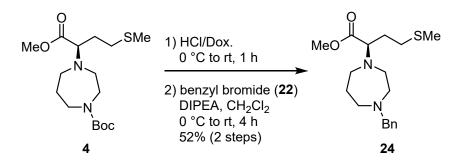


Methyl (R)-2-(4-isopropyl-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)-4-(methylthio)butanoate (20): The compound 4 (346 mg,

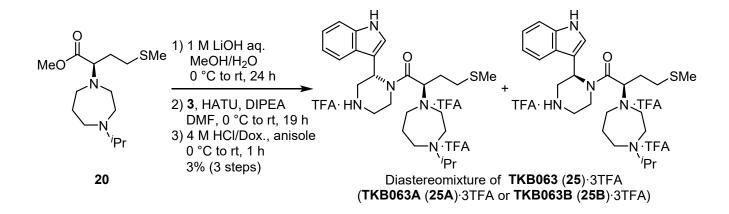
1.00 mmol) was added 4 M HCl/dioxane (5.00 mL, 20.0 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 1 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amine. The crude amine in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10.0 mL) was added acetone (346  $\mu$ L, 4.70 mmol) and NaBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub> (636 mg, 3.00 mmol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and the mixture was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude mixture was purified by automated silica gel flush column chromatography system (Isolera One) with CHCl<sub>3</sub>/ MeOH (92:8 to 66:34) to obtain the title compound **20** (98.1 mg, 34% in 2 steps) as colorless oil: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  1.06 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 6H), 1.83-2.02 (m, 5H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.57-2.61 (m, 2H), 2.70-2.79 (m, 5H), 2.87-2.93 (m, 2H), 3.04 (s, 1H), 3.45 (m, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  15.6, 18.2, 18.3, 29.4, 31.2 (2C), 49.6, 50.6, 51.4, 52.4 (2C), 55.6, 66.3, 173.6; HRMS (ESI), *m/z* calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>29</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 289.1944, found 289.1940.



**Methyl (***R***)-2-(4-heptyl-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)-4-(methylthio)butanoate (23)**: The compound **4** (346 mg, 1.00 mmol) were added 4 M HCl/dioxane (5.00 mL, 20.0 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, and then concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amine. The crude amine in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5.00 mL) was added DIPEA (697 µL, 4.00 mmol), 1-iodoheptane **21** (330 µL, 2.00 mmol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 20 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude compound was purified by automated silica gel flush column chromatography system (Isolera One) with CHCl<sub>3</sub>/ MeOH (99:1 to 90:10) to obtain the title compound **23** (66.4 mg, 19% in 2 steps) as a white solid: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  0.88 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.18-1.35 (m, 9H), 1.86-2.01 (m, 5H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.56-2.61 (m, 4H), 2.71-2.98 (m, 8H), 3.46-3.49 (m, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  14.2, 15.6, 22.7, 27.6, 29.7 (2C), 31.2 (2C), 31.9 (2C), 51.5 (2C), 53.8, 57.0 (2C), 58.1, 66.1, 173.6; HRMS (ESI), *m/z* calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>37</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 345.2570, found 345.2569.



**Methyl (***R***)-2-(4-benzyl-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)-4-(methylthio)butanoate (24)**: The compound **4** (173 mg, 0.500 mmol) was added 4 M HCl/dioxane (2.50 mL, 10.0 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, and then concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amine. The crude amine in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2.5 mL) was added DIPEA (348  $\mu$ L, 2.00 mmol) and benzyl bromide **22** (59.0  $\mu$ L, 600  $\mu$ mol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h. The reaction mixture was added silica gel and evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by automated silica gel flush column chromatography system (Isolera One) with *n*-hexane/AcOEt/ (80:20 to 20:80) to obtain the title compound **24** (260 mg, 52% in 2 steps) as colorless oil: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  1.77-1.80 (m, 2H), 1.86-2.01 (m, 2H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.59-2.78 (m, 8H), 2.89-2.94 (m, 2H), 3.45-3.48 (m, 1H), 3.65 (s, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 7.22-7.34 (m, 5H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  15.6, 28.6, 29.4, 31.2, 50.8, 51.3, 51.5, 54.2, 57.1, 62.4, 66.2, 127.1, 128.3 (4C), 129.1, 173.8; HRMS (ESI), *m/z* calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>29</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 337.1944, found 337.1940.

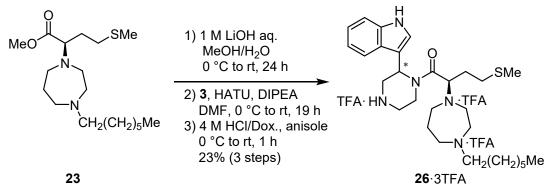


# (2*R*)-1-(2-(1*H*-Indol-3-yl)piperazin-1-yl)-2-(4-isopropyl-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)-4-(methylthio)butan-1one·3TFA (25·3TFA, TKB-063·3TFA): To a solution of compound 20 (28.9 mg, 100 $\mu$ mol) in MeOH (1.00 mL) was added 1.00 M LiOH aq. (250 $\mu$ L, 250 $\mu$ mol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude carboxylic acid. The crude carboxylic acid in DMF (1.00 mL) was added HATU (41.8 mg, 110 $\mu$ mol), DIPEA (105 $\mu$ L, 600 $\mu$ mol) and compound 3 (44.2 mg, 110 $\mu$ mol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was

warmed to room temperature and stirred for 19 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amide. The crude amide and anisole (109  $\mu$ L, 1.00 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (500  $\mu$ L) were added 4 M HCl/dioxane (500  $\mu$ L, 2.00 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, and then concentrated under reduced pressure followed by purification with preparative RP-HPLC to obtain the *tris*-trifluoroacetate salt of the title compound **25** (2.40 mg, 2.98  $\mu$ mol, 3% in 3 steps) as freeze-dried powder:

**TKB063A** (**25A**);  $t_{\rm R} = 23.0$  min (linear gradient of B in A, 12 to 27% over 30 min); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of rotamers)  $\delta$  0.77-3.13 (m, 26H), 3.39-3.71 (m, 4H), 3.90-4.21 (m, 2H), 6.96-7.17 (m, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.18-7.28 (m, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.33-7.53 (m, 2H, indole C2-H and C4,C7-H), 7.54-7.65 (m, 1H, indole C4,C7-H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of rotamers)  $\delta$  15.4, 16.6, 25.3, 26.1, 30.8, 32.1, 32.3, 36.9, 39.6, 44.4, 53.0, 53.9, 60.2, 60.6, 64.4, 65.3, 113.4, 119.7, 121.1, 123.6, 124.9, 125.0, 126.5, 138.7, 162.3; HRMS (ESI), *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>40</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 458.2948, found 458.2948. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>39</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS·3TFA: C, 46.56; H, 5.29; N, 8.76. Found: C, 46.10; H, 5.41; N, 8.19.

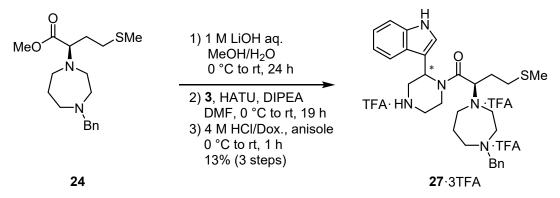
**TKB063B** (**25B**);  $t_{\rm R}$  = 24.7 min (linear gradient of B in A, 12 to 27% over 30 min); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of rotamers)  $\delta$  0.77-3.16 (m, 25H), 3.36-3.71 (m, 5H), 3.81-4.16 (m, 2H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.15-7.25 (m, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, indole C2-H), 7.48-7.60 (m, 1H, indole C4,C7-H), 7.61-7.78 (m, 1H, indole C4,C7-H); <sup>13</sup>C {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of rotamers)  $\delta$  15.1, 17.2, 24.3, 26.6, 30.8, 32.1, 39.4, 44.7, 45.2, 46.5, 47.3, 50.7, 52.0, 52.6, 60.5, 63.9, 111.6, 113.0, 120.7, 123.6, 125.1, 125.2, 127.3, 138.6, 162.5; HRMS (ESI), *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>40</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 458.2948, found 458.2946. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>39</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS · 3TFA: C, 46.56; H, 5.29; N, 8.76. Found: C, 47.34; H, 5.49; N, 8.67.





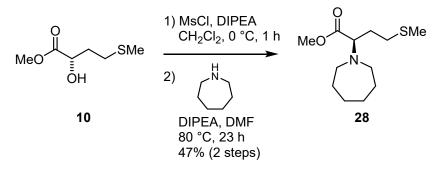
one  $\cdot$  3TFA (26  $\cdot$  3TFA): To a solution of compound 23 (34.5 mg, 100 µmol) in MeOH (1.00 mL) was added 1.00 M LiOH aq. (250 µL, 0.250 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude carboxylic acid. The crude carboxylic acid in DMF (1.00 mL) was added HATU (41.8 mg, 110 µmol), DIPEA (105 µL, 600 µmol) and compound 3 (44.2 mg, 110 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature

for 19 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amide. The crude amide and anisole (109 µL, 1.00 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (500 µL) were added 4 M HCl/dioxane (500 µL, 2.00 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 1 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure followed by purification with preparative RP-HPLC to obtain the *tris*-trifluoroacetate salt of the title compound **26** (22.8 mg, 22.8 µmol, 23% in 3 steps) as freeze-dried powder:  $t_{\rm R} = 19.7$  min and 20.6 min (linear gradient of B in A, 25 to 45% over 40 min); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers)  $\delta$  0.93 (t, *J* = 13.5 Hz, 3H), 1.05-1.48 (m, 10H), 1.50-3.28 (m, 20H), 3.34-4.24 (m, 7H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.18 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.30-7.72 (m, 3H, indole C2-H and C4,C7-H), 10.95 (br, 1H, indole N-H); <sup>13</sup>C {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers)  $\delta$  14.4, 15.3, 23.6, 25.4, 26.0, 27.5, 29.9, 32.1, 32.7, 36.9, 39.5, 44.5, 45.2, 46.7, 52.0, 52.9, 54.2, 57.4, 58.8, 63.8, 112.9, 117.1, 119.8, 120.6, 123.5, 125.1, 126.5, 138.6, 163.3; HRMS (ESI), *m/z* calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>48</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 514.3574, found 514.3571. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>47</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS·3TFA: C, 49.12; H, 5.89; N, 8.18. Found: C, 49.35; H, 6.26; N, 8.71.

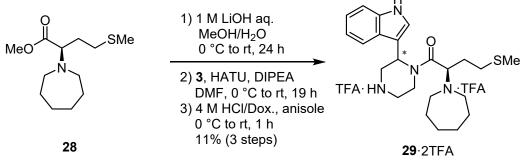


(2*R*)-1-(2-(1*H*-Indol-3-yl)piperazin-1-yl)-2-(4-benzyl-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)-4-(methylthio)butan-1one·3TFA (27·3TFA): To a solution of compound 24 (33.6 mg, 100 µmol) in MeOH (1.00 mL) was added 1.00 M LiOH aq. (250 µL, 250 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude carboxylic acid. The crude carboxylic acid in DMF (1.00 mL) was added HATU (41.8 mg, 110 µmol) DIPEA (105 µL, 600 µmol) and compound 3 (44.2 mg, 110 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 19 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amide. The crude amide and anisole (109 µL, 1.00 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (500 µL) were added 4 M HCl/dioxane (500 µL, 2.00 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h, and then concentrated under reduced pressure followed by purification with preparative RP-HPLC to obtain the *tris*-trifluoroacetate salt of the title compound 27 (10.9 mg, 12.9 µmol, 13% in 3 steps) as freeze-dried powder:  $t_R = 12.9$  min and 13.3 min (linear gradient of B in A, 20 to 50% over 30 min); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD): (mixture

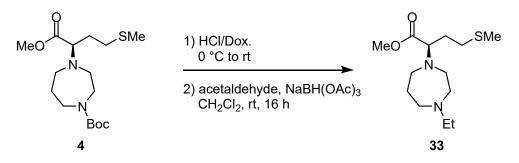
of diastereomers and rotamers)  $\delta$  1.23-3.28 (m, 17H), 3.34-4.53 (m, 10H), 6.94-7.67 (m, 10H, including indole C2~C6-H), 10.95 (br, 1H, indole N-H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers)  $\delta$  15.1, 15.3, 25.4, 25.8, 32.1, 36.9, 39.5, 44.5, 45.9, 45.1, 46.5, 51.6, 52.5, 53.8, 57.3, 57.5, 61.8, 63.7, 71.4, 110.6, 111.8, 113.0, 119.9, 120.7, 123.6, 125.0, 126.6, 126.9, 130.4, 131.2, 132.0, 132.2, 138.6, 163.0; HRMS (ESI), *m*/*z* calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>40</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 506.2948, found 506.2949. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>39</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS·3TFA: C, 49.59; H, 4.99; N, 8.26. Found: C, 48.76; H, 5.04; N, 7.79.



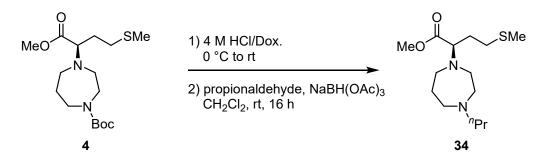
**Methyl (***R***)-2-(azepan-1-yl)-4-(methylthio)butanoate (28)**: To a solution of compound **10** (328 mg, 2.00 mmol) and DIPEA (1.05 mL, 6.00 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10.0 mL) was added MsCl (263 μL, 3.00 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude mesylate. The crude mesylate and DIPEA (1.05 mL, 6.00 mmol) in DMF (4.00 mL) was added hexamethyleneimine (451 μL, 4.00 mmol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 23 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure followed by purification using automated silica gel flush column chromatography system (Isolera One) with *n*-hexane/AcOEt (92:8 to 90:10) to obtain the title compound **28** (231 mg, 47% in 2 steps) as colorless oil: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 1.57-1.63 (m, 8H), 1.88-1.98 (m, 2H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 2.58-2.67 (m, 4H), 2.80-2.84 (m, 2H), 3.43-3.46 (m, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 15.6, 27.2 (2C), 29.7, 30.0 (2C), 31.2, 51.2, 52.1 (2C), 66.7, 174.1; HRMS (ESI), *m/z* calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 246.1522, found 246.1526.



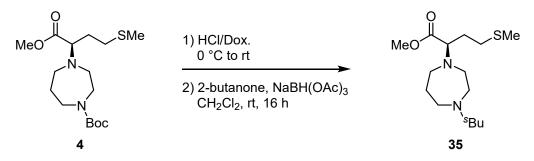
(2R)-1-(2-(1H-Indol-3-yl)piperazin-1-yl)-2-(azepan-1-yl)-4-(methylthio)butan-1-one·2TFA (29·2TFA): To a solution of compound 28 (24.5 mg, 100 µmol) in MeOH (1.00 mL) was added 1.00 M LiOH aq. (250 µL, 250 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude carboxylic acid. The crude carboxylic acid in DMF (1.00 mL) was added HATU (41.8 mg, 110 µmol) DIPEA (105 µL, 600 µmol) and compound 3 (44.2 mg, 110 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 19 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amide. The crude amide and anisole (109  $\mu$ L, 1.00 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (500  $\mu$ L) were added 4 M HCl/dioxane (500  $\mu$ L, 2.00 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature, and then concentrated under reduced pressure followed by purification with preparative RP-HPLC to obtain the *bis*-trifluoroacetate salt of the title compound **29** (7.10 mg, 11.0  $\mu$ mol, 11% in 3 steps) as freeze dried powder:  $t_{\rm R} = 17.4$  min and 18.5 min (linear gradient of B in A, 15 to 35% over 40 min); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers) & 0.81-3.25 (m, 19H), 3.40-4.81 (m, 8H), 7.02-7.15 (m, 1H, indole C5, C6-H), 7.16-7.28 (m, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.37-7.52 (m, 1H, indole C2-H), 7.53-7.70 (m, 2H, indole C4,C7-H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers) δ 14.9, 25.0, 25.1, 27.4, 28.0, 29.4, 37.5, 39.8, 43.7, 44.8, 45.9, 46.3, 47.4, 65.3, 110.4, 112.9, 123.7, 123.9, 125.0, 125.1, 126.9, 138.3, 167.7; HRMS (ESI), m/z calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>35</sub>N<sub>4</sub>OS [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 415.2526, found 415.2529. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>4</sub>OS · 2TFA: C, 50.46; H, 5.65; N, 8.72. Found: C, 46.70; H, 5.14; N, 7.47.



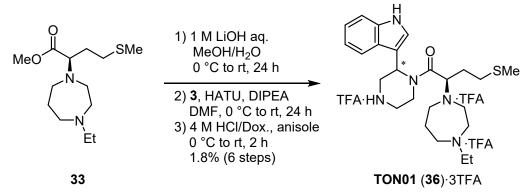
Methyl (*R*)-2-(4-ethyl-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)-4-(methylthio)butanoate (33): The compound 4 (193 mg, 557  $\mu$ mol) was added 4 M HCl/dioxane (2.75 mL, 11 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h, and then concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amine. The crude amine in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5.50 mL) was added acetaldehyde (147  $\mu$ L, 2.59 mmol) and NaBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub> (350 mg, 1.65 mmol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and the mixture was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude compound **33** was used immediately in next step without purification.



Methyl (*R*)-4-(methylthio)-2-(4-propyl-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)butanoate (34): The compound 4 (122 mg, 352  $\mu$ mol) was added 4 M HCl/dioxane (721  $\mu$ L, 2.88 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h, and then concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amine. The crude amine in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3.52 mL) was added propionaldehyde (120  $\mu$ L, 677  $\mu$ mol) and NaBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub> (223.8 mg, 432  $\mu$ mol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and the mixture was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude compound **34** was used immediately in next step without purification.

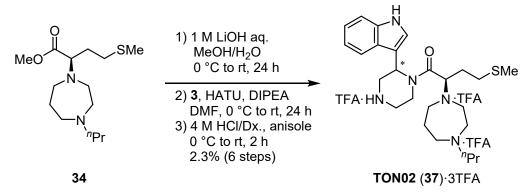


Methyl (2*R*)-2-(4-(*sec*-butyl)-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)-4-(methylthio)butanoate (35): The compound 4 (194 mg, 560  $\mu$ mol) was added 4 M HCl/dioxane (11.2 mL, 2.80 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h, and then concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amine. The crude amine in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (5.60 mL) was added 2-butanone (236  $\mu$ L, 2.63 mmol) and NaBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub> (356 mg, 1.68 mmol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 17 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and the mixture was extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude compound **35** was used immediately in next step without purification.



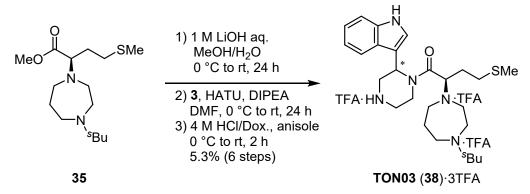
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one·3TFA (36·3TFA, TON01·3TFA): To a solution of compound 33 (84 mg, 100 µmol) in MeOH (3.00 mL) were added 1.00 M LiOH aq. (760 µL, 0.765 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude carboxylic acid. The crude carboxylic acid in DMF (1.40 mL) was added HATU (53.2 mg, 0.139 mmol), DIPEA (133 µL, 761 µmol) and compound 3 (56.2 mg, 139 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO4 and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amide. The crude amide and anisole (228 µL, 1.27 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (635 μL) were added 4 M HCl/dioxane (635 μL, 2.54 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h at room temperature, and then concentrated under reduced pressure followed by purification with preparative RP-HPLC to obtain the tris-trifluoroacetate salt of the title compound 36 (8.02 mg, 10.2 µmol, 1.8% in 5 steps) as freezedried powder:  $t_{\rm R} = 19.2$  min and 20.2 min (linear gradient of B in A, 17 to 37% over 40 min); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers) δ 0.81-1.47 (m, 3H), 1.56-2.40 (m, 6H), 2.41-2.73 (m, 2H), 2.74-3.71 (m, 17H), 3.87-4.26 (m, 2H), 7.07 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H, indole C5, C6-H), 7.19 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.31-7.72 (m, 3H, indole C2-H and C4,C7-H), 10.9 (br, 1H, indole N-H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers) δ 8.49, 13.7, 13.9, 24.6, 24.9, 30.6, 35.5, 38.0, 43.6, 45.3, 50.6, 52.4, 55.3, 60.1, 62.4, 111.5, 117.3, 118.3, 119.2, 122.1, 123.6, 125.1, 137.2, 161.2; HRMS (ESI), m/z calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>38</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 444.2792, found 444.2796.



(2R)-1-(2-(1H-Indol-3-yl)piperazin-1-yl)-4-(methylthio)-2-(4-propyl-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)butan-1-

one·3TFA (37·3TFA, TON02·3TFA): To a solution of compound 34 (71.3 mg, 247 µmol) in MeOH (2.50 mL) was added 1.00 M LiOH aq. (618 µL, 618 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude carboxylic acid. The crude carboxylic acid in DMF (1.40 mL) was added HATU (152.5 mg, 401 µmol). DIPEA (382 µL, 2.19 mmol) and compound 3 (161.0 mg, 401 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 17 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amide. The crude amide and anisole (397 µL, 3.65 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3.65 mL) was added 4 M HCl/dioxane (7.32 mL, 2.54 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h, and then concentrated under reduced pressure followed by purification with preparative RP-HPLC to obtain the tris-trifluoroacetate salt of the title compound 37 (6.52 mg, 8.15 µmol, 2.3% in 5 steps) as freezedried powder:  $t_{\rm R} = 21.4$  min and 22.6 min (linear gradient of B in A, 10 to 70% over 60 min); <sup>1</sup>H NMR 500 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers) δ 0.72-1.15 (m, 2H), 1.16-1.52 (m, 1H), 1.55-2.37 (m, 10H), 2.41-2.76 (m, 3H), 2.77-3.30 (m, 8H), 3.37-3.78 (m, 6H), 3.89-4.36 (m, 3H), 6.97-7.14 (m, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.15-7.30 (m, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.33-7.76 (m, 3H, indole C2-H and C4,C7-H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers)  $\delta$  9.59, 13.8, 17.5, 24.1, 30.5, 35.6, 38.2, 43.1, 43.7, 45.8, 49.4, 50.1, 52.9, 55.5, 58.8, 62.9, 111.5, 114.7, 116.7, 118.3, 119.2, 122.1, 123.6, 137.1, 159.8; HRMS (ESI), *m/z* calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>40</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 458.2948, found 458.2946.



(2R)-1-(2-(1H-Indol-3-yl)piperazin-1-yl)-2-(4-(sec-butyl)-1,4-diazepan-1-yl)-4-(methylthio)butan-1-

one·3TFA (38·3TFA, TON03·3TFA): To a solution of compound 35 (70.0 mg, 232 µmol) in MeOH (2.30 mL) was added 1.00 M LiOH aq. (579 µL, 579 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude carboxylic acid. The crude carboxylic acid in DMF (1.00 mL) was added HATU (79.1 mg, 208 µmol), DIPEA (181 µL, 1.04 mmol) and compound 3 (83.5 mg, 208 µmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The organic layer was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure to obtain the crude amide. The crude amide and anisole (188 µL, 1.73 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (865 µL) were added 4 M HCl/dioxane (865 µL, 3.46 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h, and then concentrated under reduced pressure followed by purification with preparative RP-HPLC to obtain the tris-trifluoroacetate salt of the title compound 38 (23.9 mg, 29.4 µmol, 5.3% in 5 steps) as freeze dried powder:  $t_{\rm R} = 23.7$  min, 24.9 min (linear gradient of B in A, 17 to 37% over 40 min); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers) & 0.57-3.27 (m, 27H), 3.32-3.92 (m, 5H), 3.99-4.23 (m, 2H), 7.06 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.19 (t, J = 7.3, 1H, indole C5,C6-H), 7.43 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H, indole C2-H), 7.49-7.59 (m, 1H, indole C4,C7-H), 7.50-7.73 (m, 1H, indole C4,C7-H); <sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (125 MHz, MeOD): (mixture of diastereomers and rotamers) & 10.8, 15.4, 24.2, 25.4, 25.8, 26.6, 32.2, 37.0, 39.5, 44.7, 45.4, 46.5, 47.7, 53.4, 55.3, 64.2, 66.5, 113.1, 116.5, 118.8, 120.9, 123.8, 125.3, 127.5, 138.9, 161.9; HRMS (ESI), m/z calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>42</sub>N<sub>5</sub>OS [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 472.3105, found 472.3106.

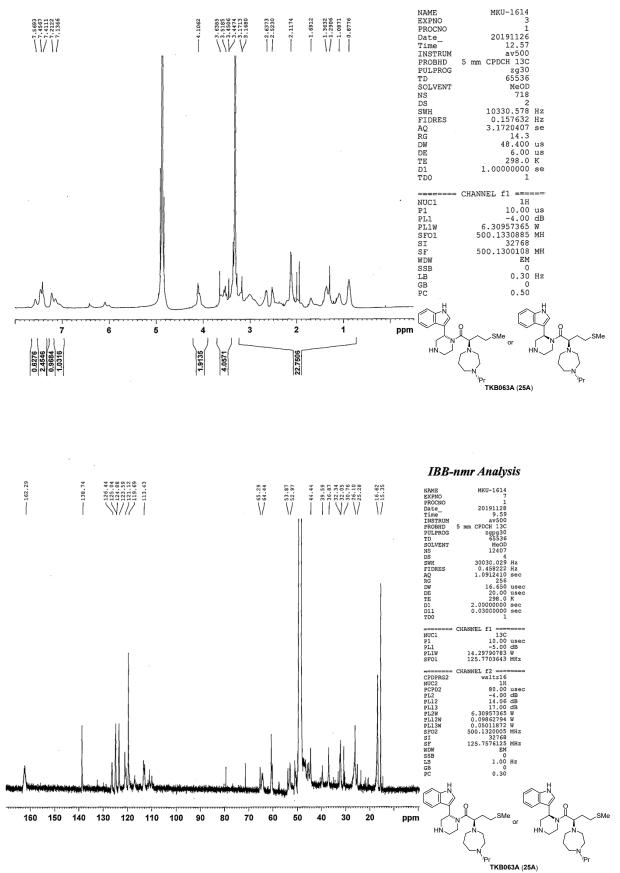
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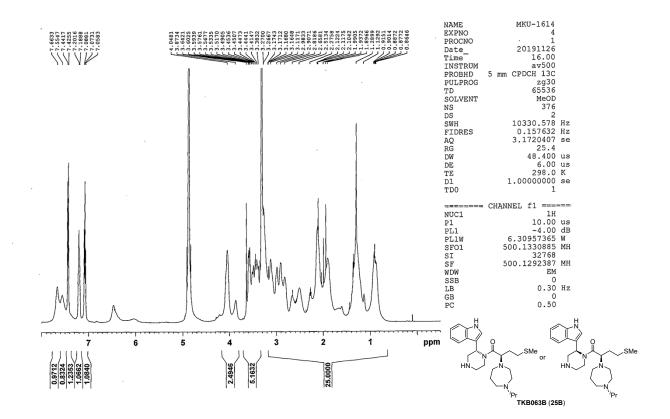
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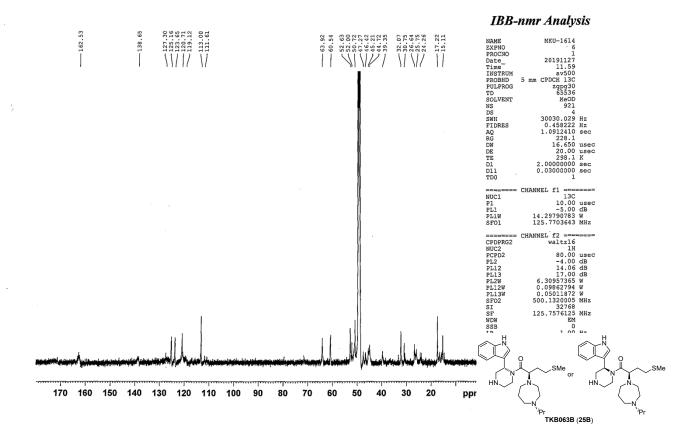
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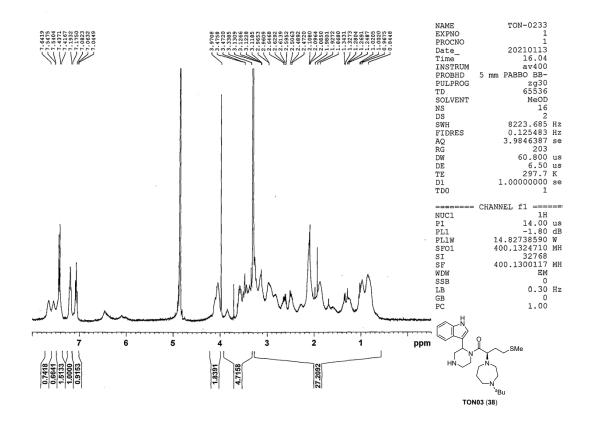
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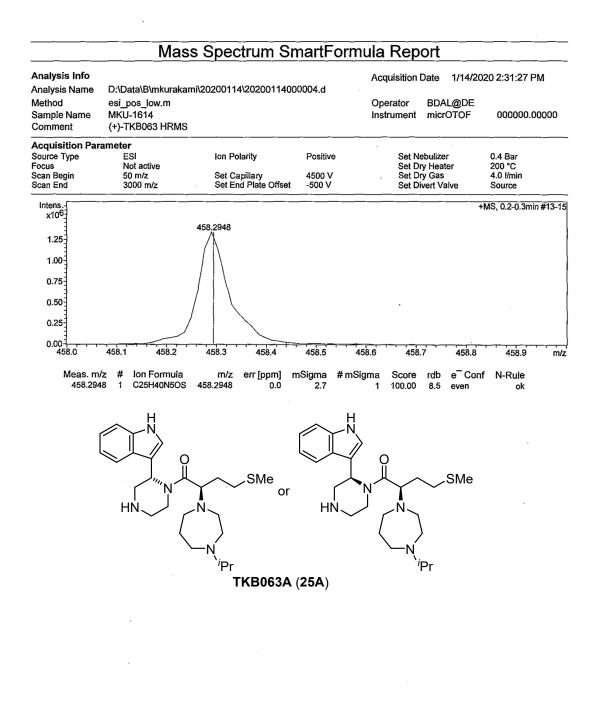
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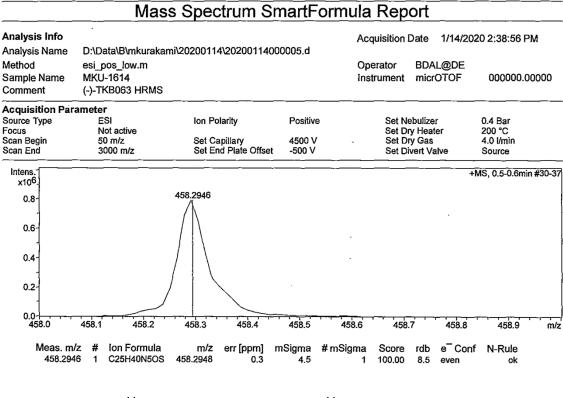


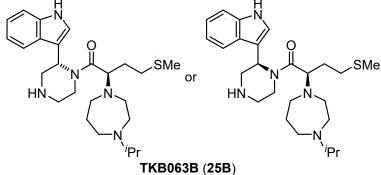
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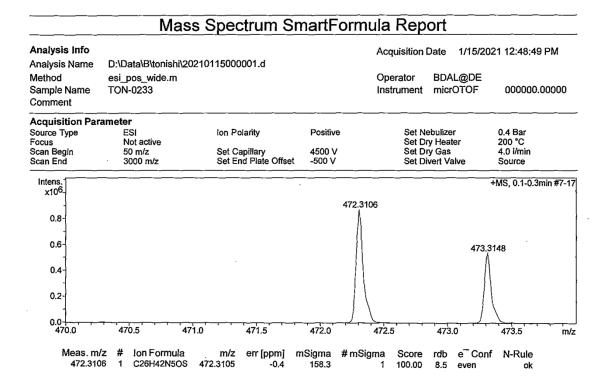
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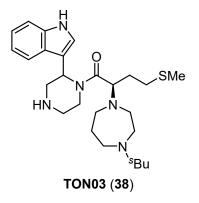
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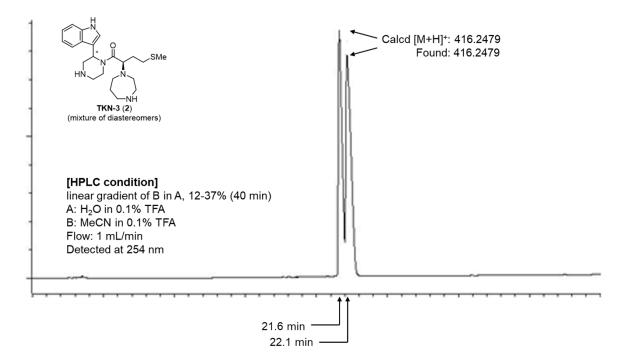


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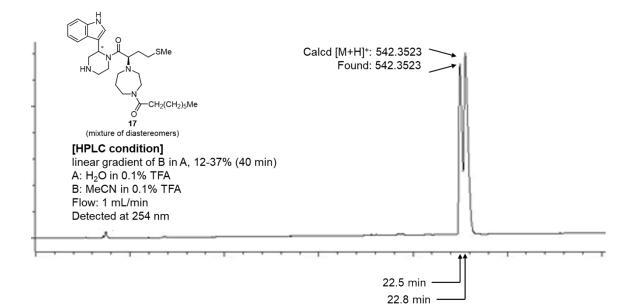


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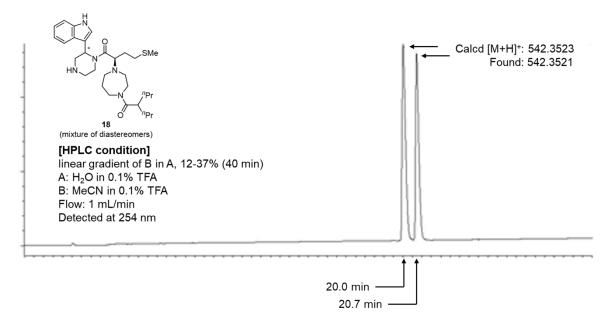


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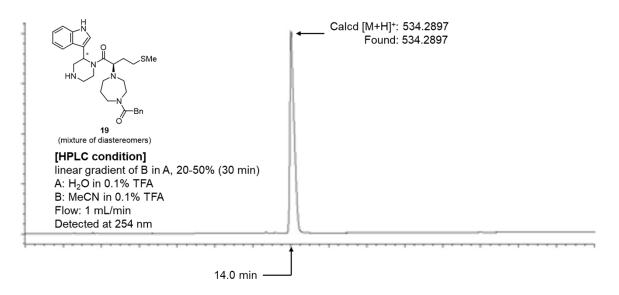


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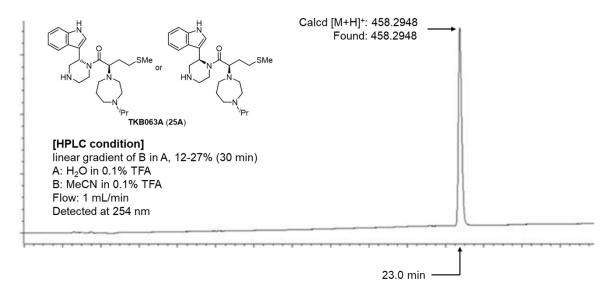
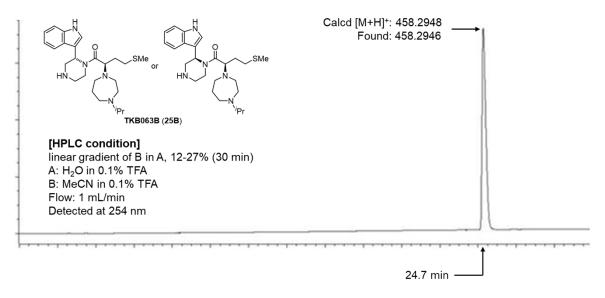
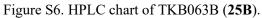


Figure S5. HPLC chart of TKB063A (25A).





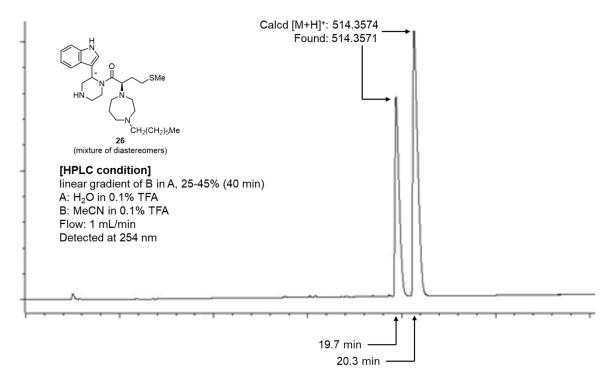


Figure S7. HPLC chart of compound 26.

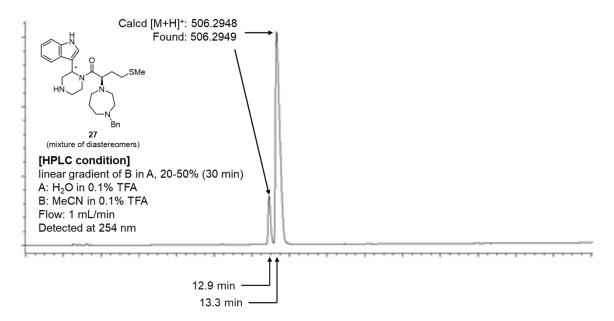
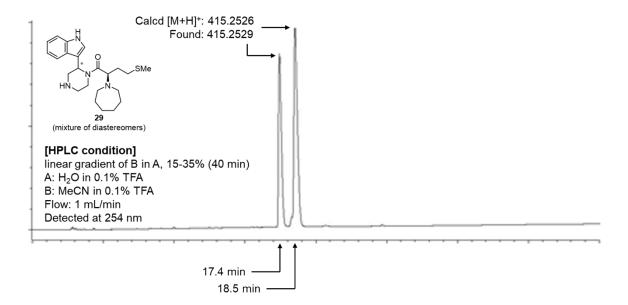
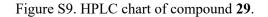


Figure S8. HPLC chart of compound 27.





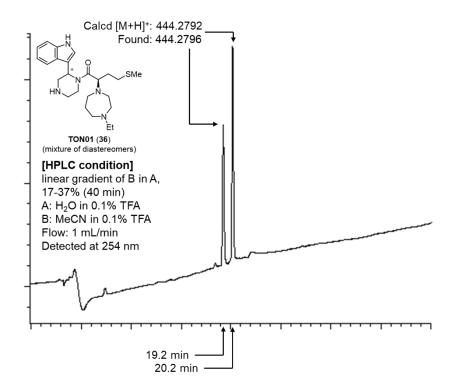


Figure S10. HPLC chart of TON01 (36).

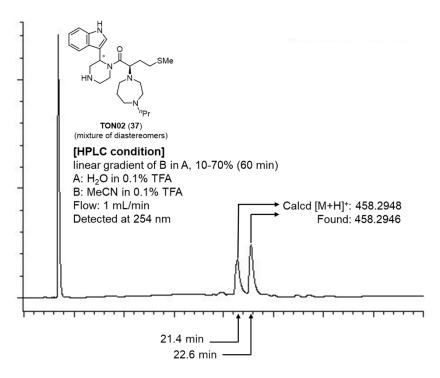


Figure S11. HPLC chart of TON02 (37).

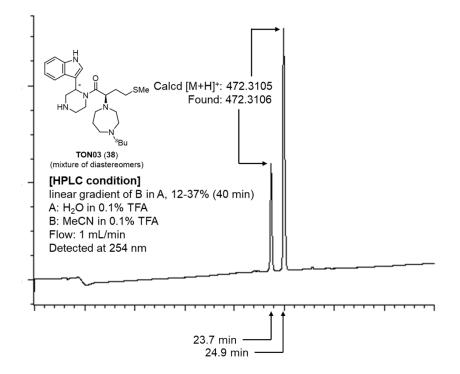


Figure S12. HPLC chart of TON03 (38).