

## Supporting Information

### Catalytic Asymmetric C-7 Friedel-Crafts Reaction of 4-Aminoindoles: Construction of N-Substituted Quaternary Carbon Atoms

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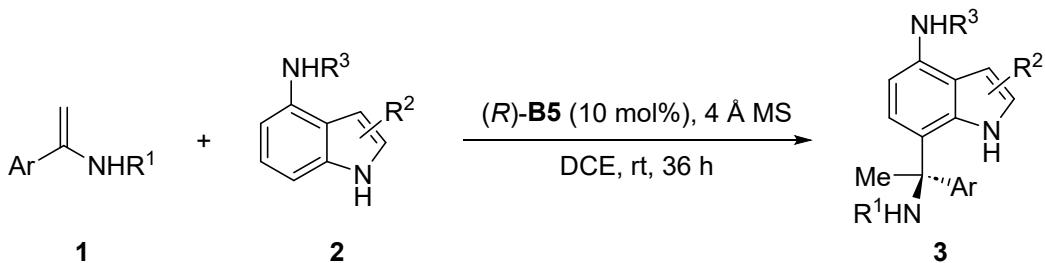
## 1. General Considerations

All reactions were carried out in flame-dried or oven-dried screw-cap test tubes and were allowed to proceed under a dry argon atmosphere with magnetic stirring. Anhydrous dichloroethane was purchased from Energy Chemical and used without further purification. Substituted BINOL phosphoric acids were prepared from commercially available chiral BINOL. And substituted H<sub>8</sub>-BINOL derived phosphoric acids were also prepared according to the known literature procedures.<sup>[1]</sup> Molecular Sieves (4 Å) were flame-dried under high vacuum before use.  $\alpha$ -Aryl enamides<sup>[2]</sup> and substituted indoles<sup>[3]</sup> were known compounds and were prepared according to the literature procedures.

Thin layer chromatography was performed from Yantai TLC plates (silica gel 60 F254). Flash column chromatography was performed with Yantai silica gel (200-300 mesh). Enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined using Agilent HPLC 1260. Column conditions are reported in the experimental section below. Optical rotations were performed on a Rudolph Research Analytical Autopol IV polarimeter ( $\lambda$  589) using a 700- $\mu$ L cell with a path length of 1-dm. <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR were recorded on Bruker AVANCE IIITM HD NanoBAY (400 MHz) and Bruker AVANCE III (600 MHz) instruments with chemical shifts reported relative to tetramethylsilane (TMS). The HRMS data were measured on an Agilent 1100 LC/MS ESI/TOF mass spectrometer with electrospray ionization. Compounds described in the literature were characterized by comparing their data to the reported values.

## 2. General procedure for the synthesis of products

### General procedure for the synthesis of C-7 substituted indoles 3

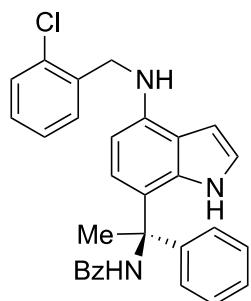


4 Å MS (20 mg) was activated in a screw capped reaction tube (10 ml) under flame dry in situ. After cooling to room temperature, substrate **1** (1.2 equiv, 0.06 mmol), **2** (1.0 equiv, 0.05 mmol) and catalyst *(R)*-**B5** (3.5 mg, 0.005 mmol) were added. The atmosphere was exchanged with argon three times, and then anhydrous dichloroethane (1.0 mL) was added *via* syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for indicated time and monitored by TLC. After reaction completion, the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography (Hexane/EtOAc = 4:1 to 2:1) to give the chiral products **3**.

All the racemic products were prepared by using racemic H<sub>8</sub>-BINOL derived phosphoric acid (10 mol%) as a catalyst and their chiral HPLC retention time data were compared just prior to authentic samples with enantiomeric excess.

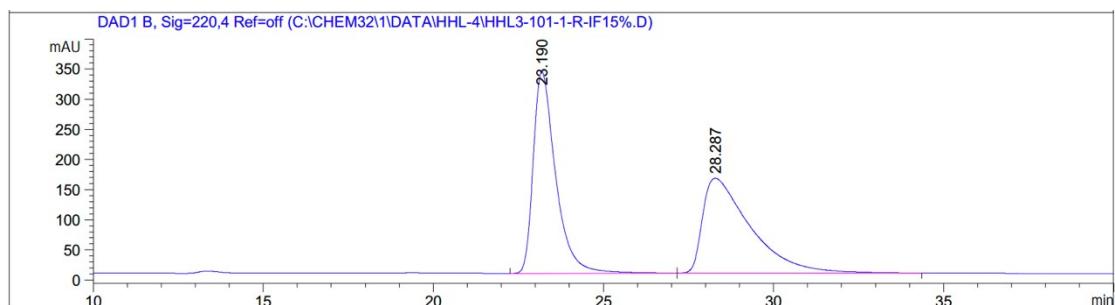
### 3. Characterization data for asymmetric products

#### *(R)*-N-(1-((2-chlorobenzyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-phenylethylbenzamide (**3a**)

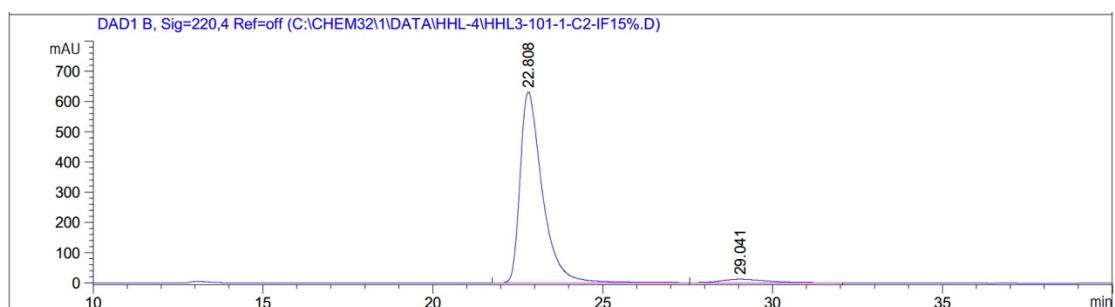


White foam, 82% yield; 93% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/i-PrOH = 85:15 (v/v),  $\lambda$  = 254 nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor}$  = 29.041 min,  $t_{major}$  = 22.808 min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -26.08$  ( $c = 0.58$  in CHCl<sub>3</sub>);

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.85 (s, 1H), 7.77 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.53 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.17 (m, 10H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.00 – 6.89 (m, 1H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 6.43 (dd, *J* = 3.1, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.20 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (s, 2H), 4.54 (s, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.0, 144.2, 141.0, 136.8, 135.3, 133.7, 133.3, 131.6, 129.5, 129.2, 128.6, 128.4, 127.1, 127.0, 126.7, 122.7, 121.5, 119.2, 117.7, 98.8, 98.0, 62.3, 45.8, 29.5 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>27</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 480.1837, found: 480.1849.

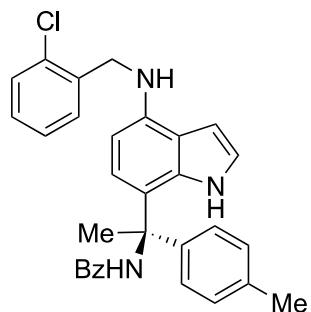


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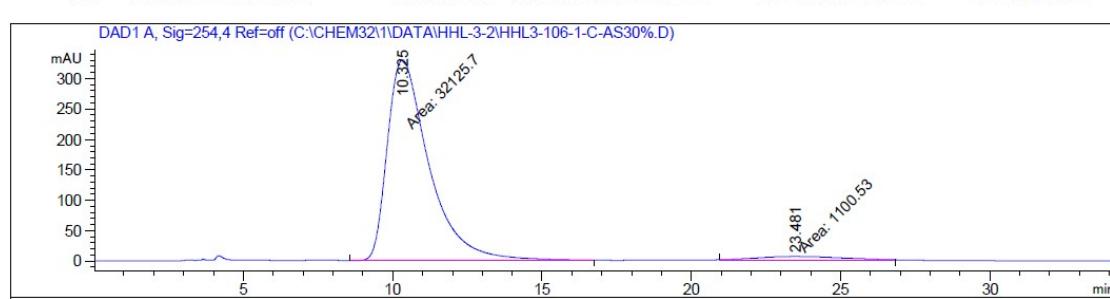
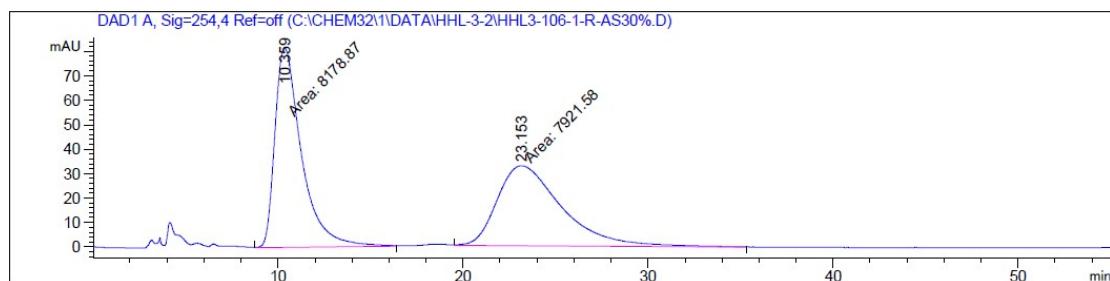


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**(R)-N-(1-((2-chlorobenzyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-(*p*-tolyl)ethylbenzamide  
(3b)**

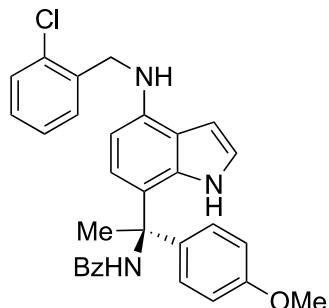


White foam, 82% yield; 93% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak AS, hexane/i-PrOH = 70:30 (v/v),  $\lambda = 254$  nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor} = 23.481$  min,  $t_{major} = 10.325$  min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -33.16$  ( $c = 0.39$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.80 (s, 1H), 7.69 – 7.61 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.17 – 7.11 (m, 4H), 7.07 – 6.98 (m, 3H), 6.92 – 6.86 (m, 1H), 6.67 (s, 1H), 6.36 (dd,  $J = 3.2, 2.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.13 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 4.54 (s, 2H), 4.46 (s, 1H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 2.22 (s, 3H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  166.9, 141.2, 140.9, 136.8, 136.7, 135.3, 133.8, 133.3, 131.5, 129.5, 129.2, 129.1, 128.6, 128.4, 127.0, 126.6, 122.6, 121.4, 119.3, 117.7, 98.8, 97.9, 62.1, 45.9, 29.6, 21.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{28}\text{ClN}_3\text{NaO}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ : 516.1813, found: 516.1821.

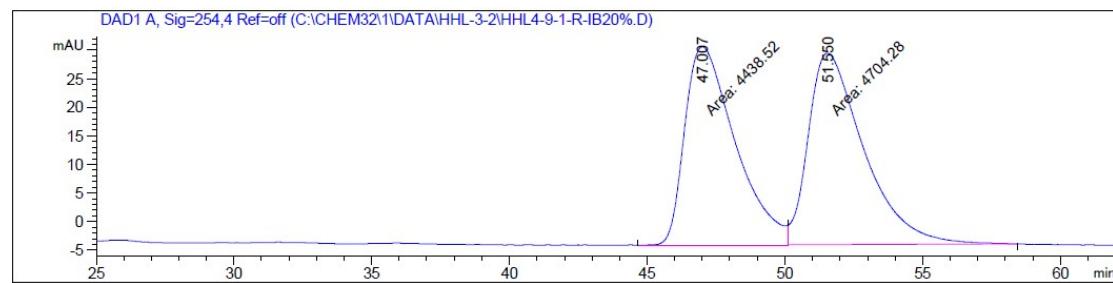


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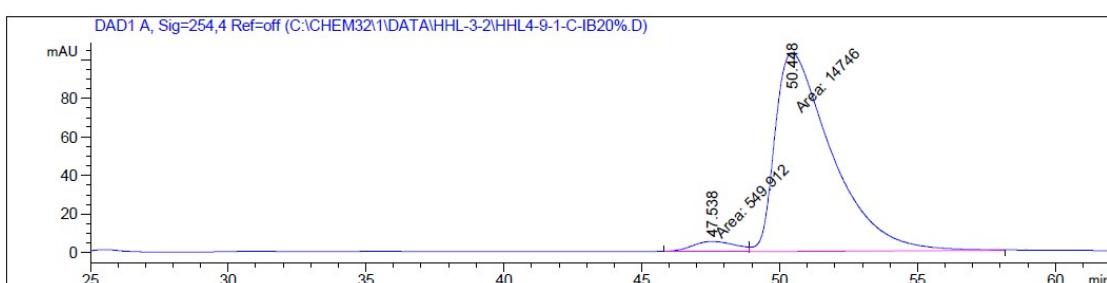
**(R)-N-(1-((2-chlorobenzyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)ethylbenzamide (3c)**



White foam, 84% yield; 93% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IB, hexane/i-PrOH = 80:20 (v/v),  $\lambda = 254$  nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor} = 47.538$  min,  $t_{major} = 50.448$  min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -10.26$  ( $c = 0.39$  in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.77 (s, 1H), 7.66 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.46 – 7.37 (m, 2H), 7.36 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.23 – 7.11 (m, 4H), 7.01 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.90 (s, 1H), 6.76 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 2H), 6.67 (s, 1H), 6.37 (s, 1H), 6.13 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 4.54 (s, 2H), 4.46 (s, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 2.22 (s, 3H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  165.9, 157.4, 139.8, 135.8, 135.2, 134.3, 132.7, 132.3, 130.5, 128.5, 128.1, 127.6, 127.3, 126.9, 125.9, 125.9, 121.6, 120.3, 118.4, 116.7, 112.7, 97.8, 96.9, 60.8, 54.2, 44.8, 28.5 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>28</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>NaO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 532.1762, found: 532.1741.

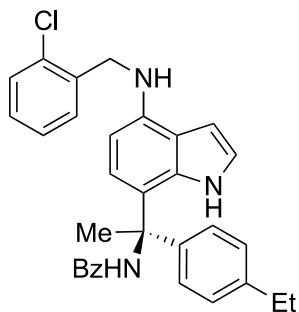


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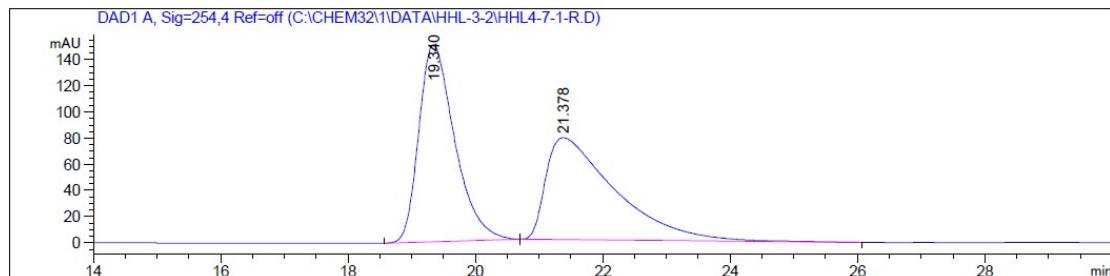
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**(R)-N-(1-((2-chlorobenzyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-(4-ethylphenyl)ethylbenzamide (3d)**

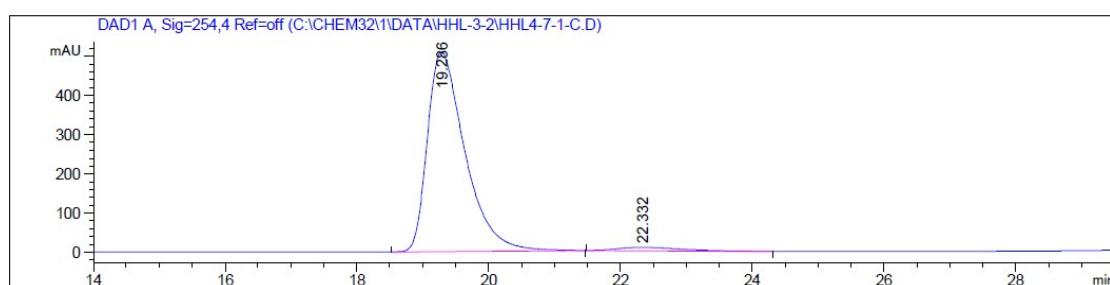


White foam, 96% yield; 94% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/i-PrOH = 80:20 (v/v),  $\lambda = 254$  nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor} = 22.332$  min,  $t_{major} = 19.286$  min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -145.81$  ( $c = 0.24$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.81 (s, 1H), 7.73 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.54 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.23 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 7.10 (m, 3H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 6.74 (s, 1H), 6.44 (s, 1H), 6.22 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz, 1H), 4.61 (s, 2H), 2.63 (q,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 1.22 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 3H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )

$\delta$  166.9, 142.9, 141.4, 135.4, 133.8, 133.4, 131.5, 129.5, 129.3, 128.6, 128.4, 127.9, 127.0, 126.6, 122.7, 121.4, 98.0, 62.1, 46.0, 29.4, 28.4, 15.3 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>30</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 530.1970, found: 530.1970.

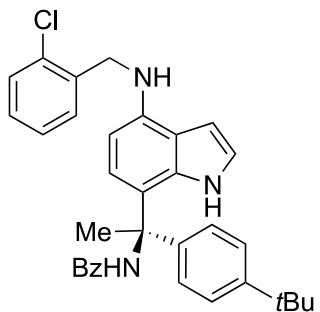


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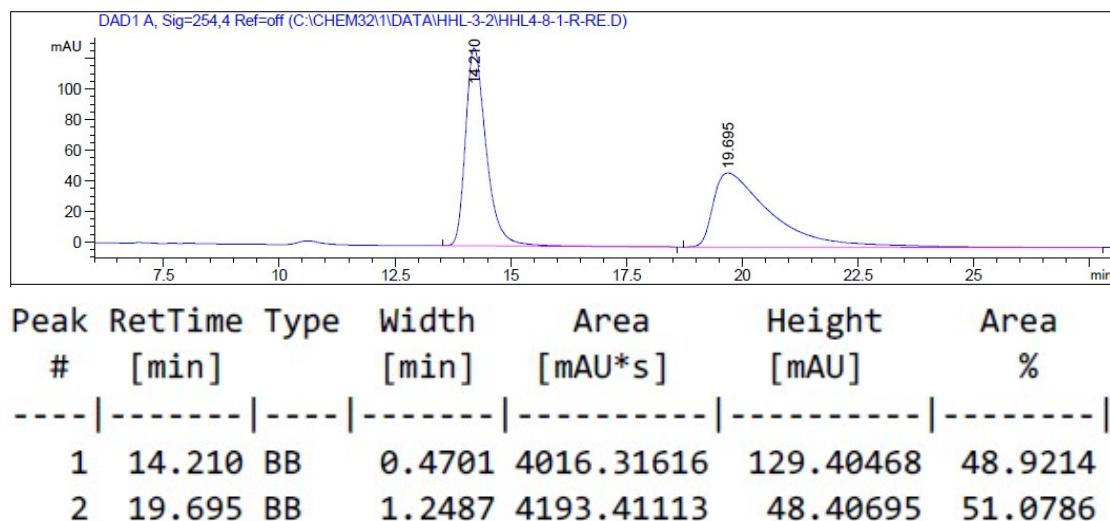


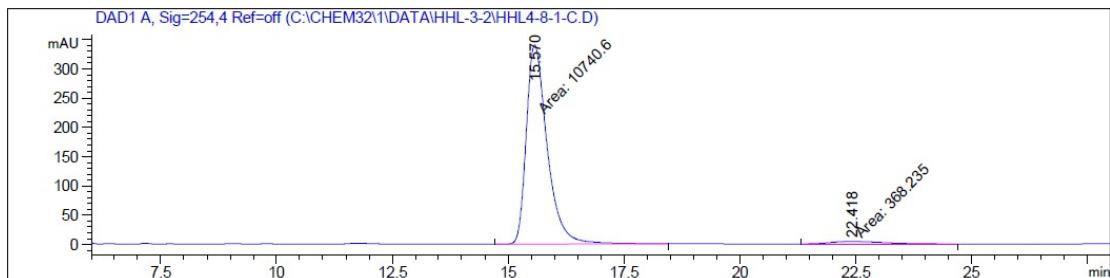
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**(R)-N-(1-(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)-1-(4-((2-chlorobenzyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3e)**



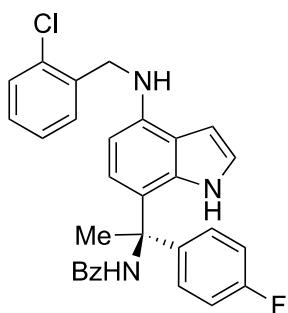
White foam, 94% yield; 93% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/i-PrOH = 80:20 (v/v),  $\lambda = 254$  nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor} = 22.418$  min,  $t_{major} = 15.570$  min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -9.62$  ( $c = 0.52$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.69 (s, 1H), 7.77 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.52 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.31 – 7.24 (m, 4H), 7.24 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.08 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.96 – 6.93 (m, 1H), 6.74 (s, 1H), 6.43 (dd,  $J = 3.2, 2.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.20 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 4.61 (s, 2H), 4.52 (s, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s, 9H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  167.0, 149.8, 141.2, 140.8, 136.8, 135.4, 133.7, 133.3, 131.5, 129.5, 129.2, 128.6, 128.4, 127.0, 126.3, 125.4, 122.6, 121.4, 119.5, 117.7, 98.9, 98.0, 62.1, 45.8, 34.4, 31.4, 29.0 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{34}\text{ClN}_3\text{NaO}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ : 558.2282, found: 558.2276.



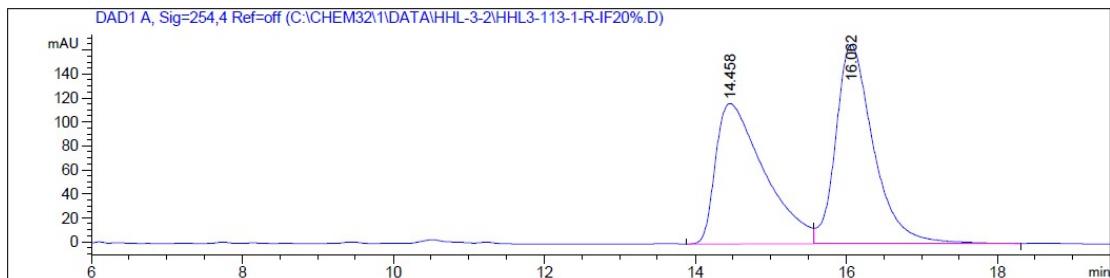


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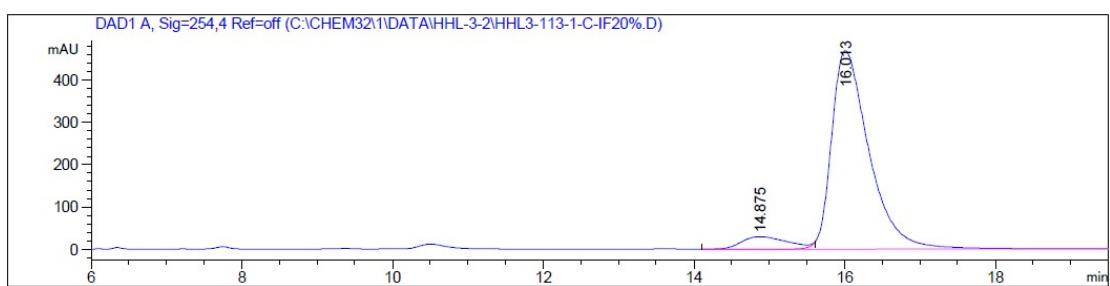
**(R)-N-(1-(4-((2-chlorobenzyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-(4-fluorophenyl)ethyl)benzamide (3f)**



White foam, 82% yield; 86% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/i-PrOH = 80:20 (v/v),  $\lambda = 254$  nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor} = 14.875$  min,  $t_{major} = 16.013$  min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -45.63$  ( $c = 0.50$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  9.07 (s, 1H), 7.71 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.52 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.38 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 3H), 7.31 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 7.04 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.02 – 6.90 (m, 3H), 6.73 (s, 1H), 6.50 – 6.41 (m, 1H), 6.19 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 4.61 (s, 2H), 4.56 (s, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  167.0, 161.7 (d,  $J = 244.4$  Hz), 141.1, 139.7 (d,  $J = 3.3$  Hz), 136.7, 135.1, 133.6, 133.3, 131.7, 129.6, 129.1, 128.7, 128.5 (d,  $J = 7.9$  Hz), 128.4, 127.0, 126.9, 122.8, 121.5, 118.7, 117.7, 115.1 (d,  $J = 21.3$  Hz), 98.7, 98.1, 61.9, 45.8, 30.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClFN}_3\text{NaO}^+$  [ $\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ : 520.1562, found: 520.1546.

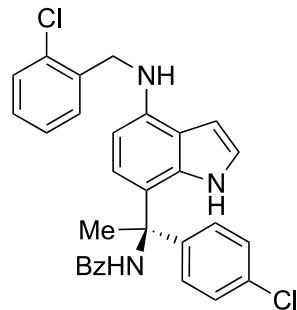


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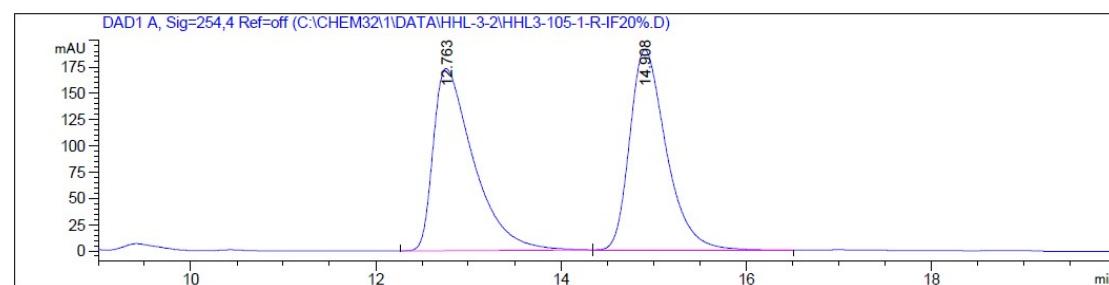
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2	16.013	VBAR	0.5225	1.62329e4	468.21417	92.8615

(*R*)-*N*-(1-((2-chlorobenzyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-(4-chlorophenyl)ethylbenzamide (3g)

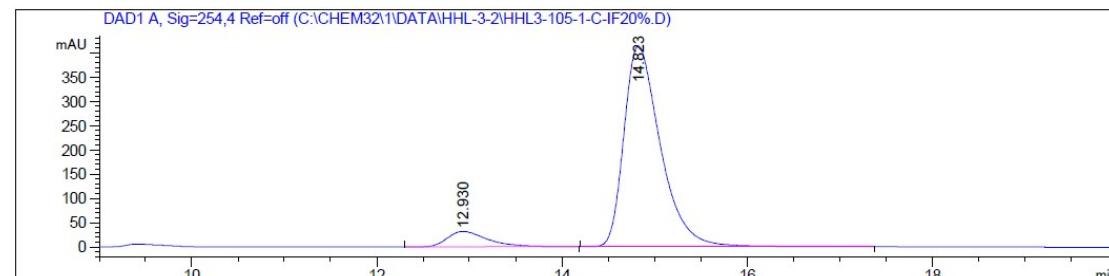


White foam, 90% yield; 84% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/i-PrOH = 80:20 (v/v),  $\lambda$  = 254 nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor}$  = 12.930 min,  $t_{major}$  = 14.823 min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -27.78$  ( $c = 0.36$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 9.07 (s, 1H), 7.69 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 7.19 – 7.13 (m, 6H), 7.01 – 6.91 (m, 2H), 6.64 (s, 1H), 6.38 (dd, *J* = 3.2, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.12 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (s, 2H), 4.49 (s, 1H), 2.18 (s, 3H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.0, 141.4, 140.1, 135.7, 133.9, 132.6, 132.3, 131.7, 130.7, 128.5, 128.1, 127.6, 127.4, 127.3, 125.9, 125.9, 121.8, 120.4, 117.2, 116.7, 97.7, 97.0, 60.8, 44.8, 29.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>25</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>3</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 536.1267, found: 536.1268.

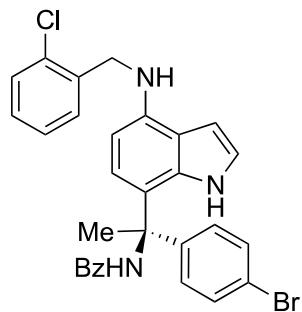


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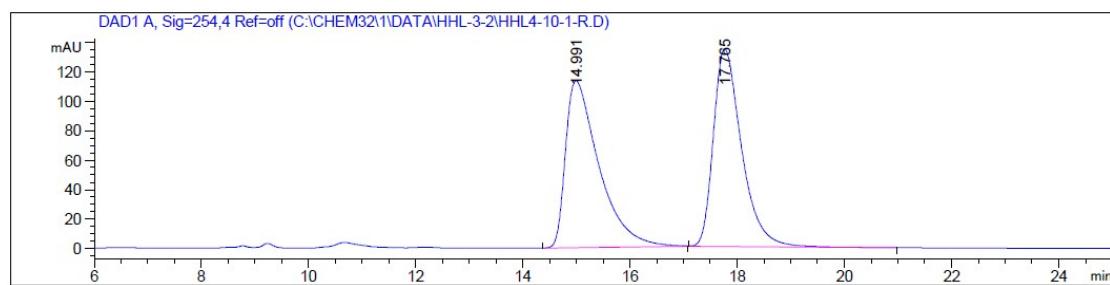


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**(R)-N-(1-(4-bromophenyl)-1-(4-((2-chlorobenzyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3h)**



White foam, 83% yield; 85% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IB, hexane/i-PrOH = 80:20 (v/v),  $\lambda = 254$  nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor} = 15.147$  min,  $t_{major} = 17.566$  min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -30.33$  ( $c = 0.50$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  9.16 (s, 1H), 7.71 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 7.56 – 7.32 (m, 7H), 7.29 – 7.12 (m, 4H), 7.10 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 6.72 (s, 1H), 6.45 (s, 1H), 6.18 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 4.61 (s, 2H), 4.57 (s, 1H), 2.24 (s, 3H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  167.0, 143.0, 141.2, 136.7, 134.9, 133.6, 133.3, 131.8, 131.3, 129.6, 129.1, 128.7, 128.4, 127.0, 126.9, 122.8, 121.5, 121.0, 118.2, 117.7, 98.7, 98.1, 61.9, 45.8, 30.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{25}\text{BrClN}_3\text{NaO}^+$  [ $\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ : 580.0762, found: 580.0779.

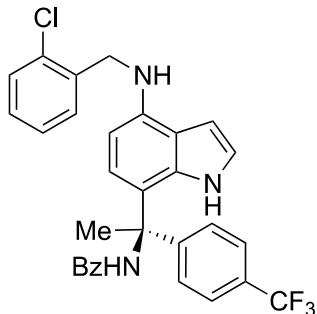


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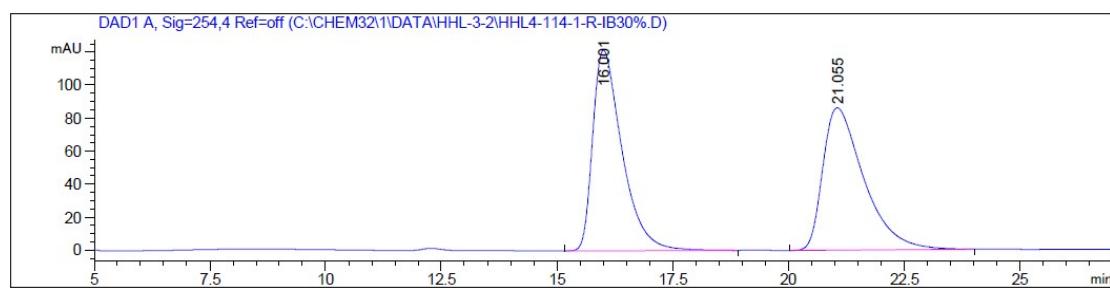
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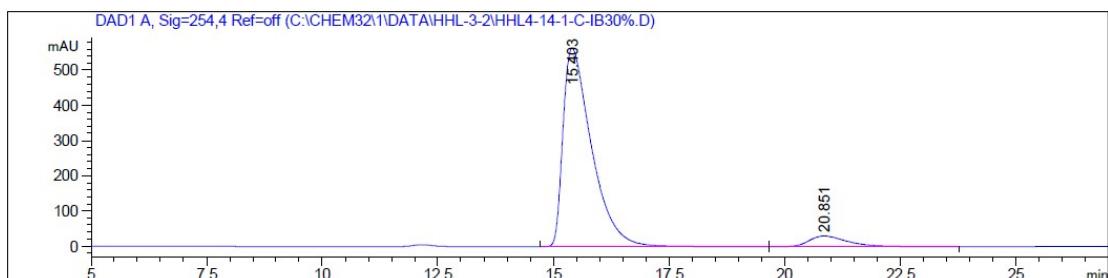
**(R)-N-(1-((2-chlorobenzyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)ethylbenzamide (3i)**



White foam, 72% yield; 87% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IB, hexane/i-PrOH = 70:30 (v/v),  $\lambda = 254$  nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor} = 20.851$  min,  $t_{major} = 15.403$  min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -35.92$  ( $c = 1.03$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  9.25 (s, 1H), 7.71 (d,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.57 – 7.44 (m, 4H), 7.45 – 7.32 (m, 5H), 7.24 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 7.01 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 6.46 (s, 1H), 6.18 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 4.61 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 3H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  167.1, 147.8, 141.3, 136.7, 134.8, 133.6, 133.3, 131.9, 129.6, 129.1, 129.1 (q,  $J = 32.3$  Hz), 128.7, 128.4, 127.2, 127.0, 125.2 (q,  $J = 3.3$  Hz), 124.2 (q,  $J = 270.3$  Hz), 122.9, 121.6, 117.8, 117.8, 98.7, 98.2, 62.1, 45.8, 30.3 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{25}\text{ClF}_3\text{N}_3\text{NaO}^+$  [ $\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ : 570.1530, found: 570.1549.

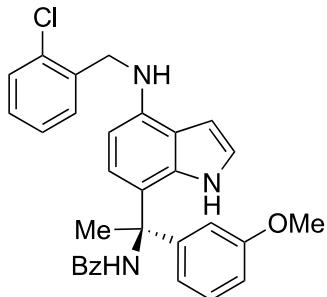


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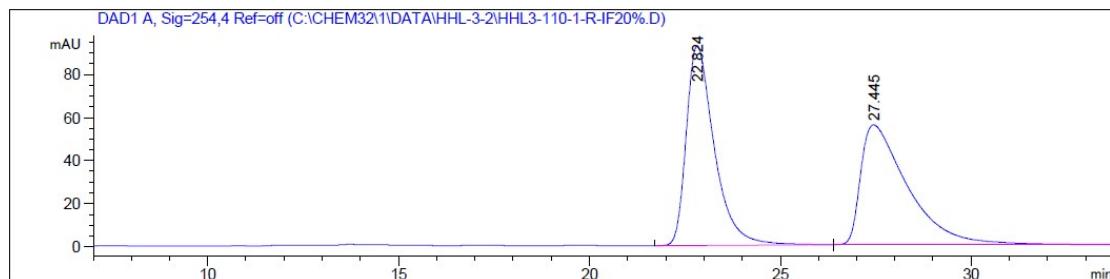
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**(R)-N-(1-((2-chlorobenzyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-(3-methoxyphenyl)ethylbenzamide (3j)**

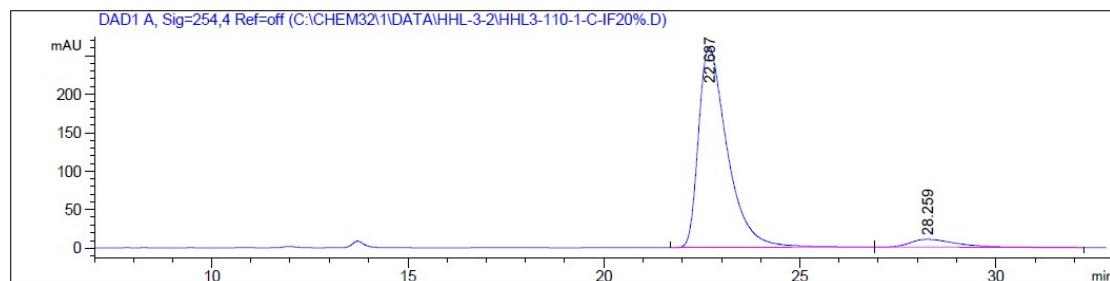


White foam, 86% yield; 88% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/i-PrOH = 80:20 (v/v),  $\lambda = 254$  nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor} = 28.259$  min,  $t_{major} = 22.687$  min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -6.97$  ( $c = 0.43$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.74 (s, 1H), 7.78 – 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.53 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.18 (m, 3H), 7.07 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 7.00 – 6.94 (m, 2H), 6.92 (t,  $J = 2.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.83 – 6.77 (m, 1H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 6.43 (dd,  $J = 3.2, 2.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.20 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 4.61 (s, 2H), 4.53 (s, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  167.0, 159.6, 146.2, 140.9, 136.8, 135.3, 133.7, 133.3,

131.5, 129.5, 129.4, 129.2, 128.6, 128.4, 127.0, 126.9, 122.6, 121.4, 119.2, 119.2, 117.8, 113.4, 111.8, 98.9, 98.1, 62.2, 55.2, 45.8, 28.9 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>28</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>NaO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 532.1762, found: 532.1763.

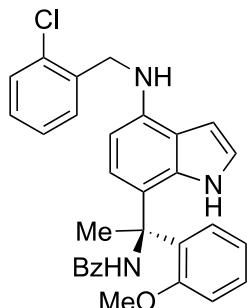


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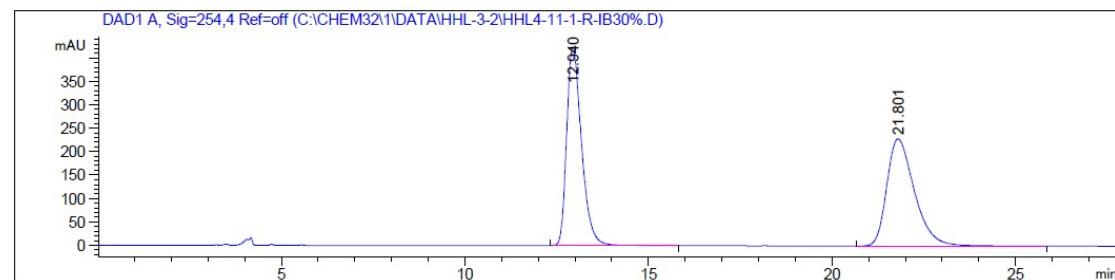


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**(S)-N-(1-(4-((2-chlorobenzyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-(2-methoxyphenyl)ethyl)benzamide (3k)**



White foam, 90% yield; 12% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IB, hexane/i-PrOH = 70:30 (v/v),  $\lambda$  = 254 nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor} = 22.777$  min,  $t_{major} = 13.304$  min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -1.89$  ( $c = 0.53$  in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  9.44 (s, 1H), 7.77 – 7.70 (m, 2H), 7.54 – 7.43 (m, 3H), 7.42 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.29 (td,  $J = 8.2, 1.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.20 (dd,  $J = 5.9, 3.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.17 (dd,  $J = 7.9, 1.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.03 – 6.99 (m, 1H), 6.96 – 6.84 (m, 3H), 6.44 (dd,  $J = 3.2, 2.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.15 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 4.60 (s, 2H), 4.47 (s, 1H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 2.35 (s, 3H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  167.3, 157.6, 140.4, 137.0, 135.9, 133.6, 133.3, 131.5, 131.3, 129.5, 129.2, 129.0, 128.5, 128.3, 126.9, 126.9, 122.4, 121.1, 120.5, 119.9, 117.6, 112.0, 99.0, 97.8, 61.8, 55.8, 45.9, 26.2 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>28</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>NaO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 532.1762, found: 532.1768.



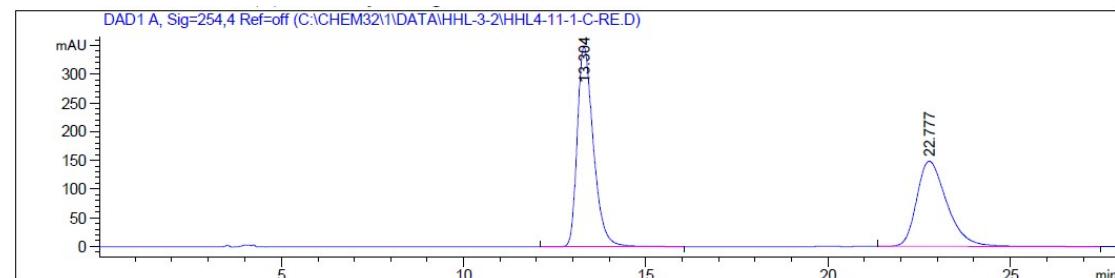
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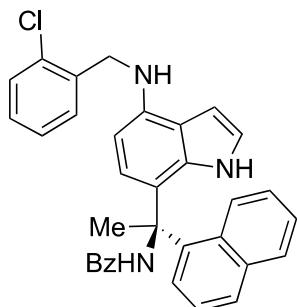
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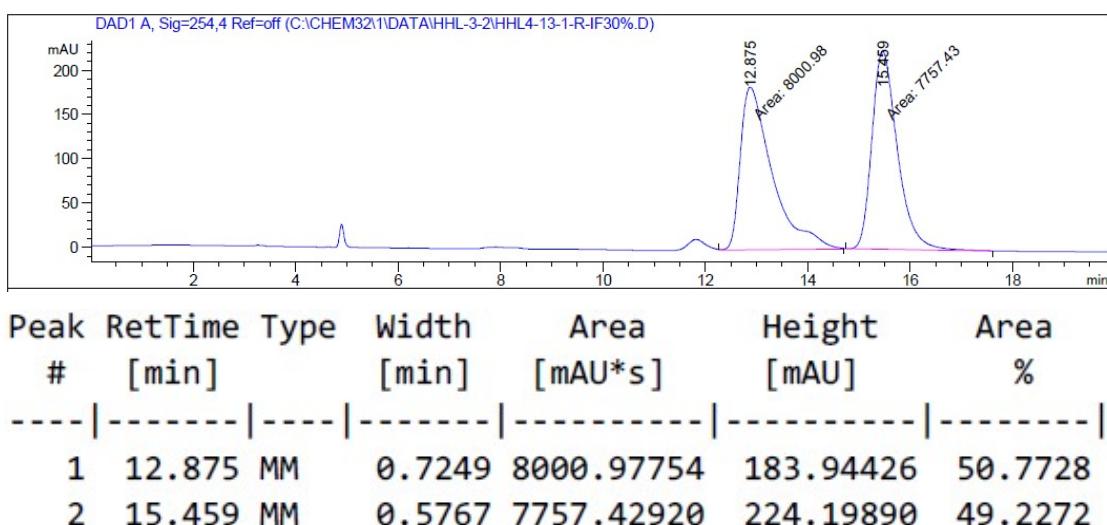
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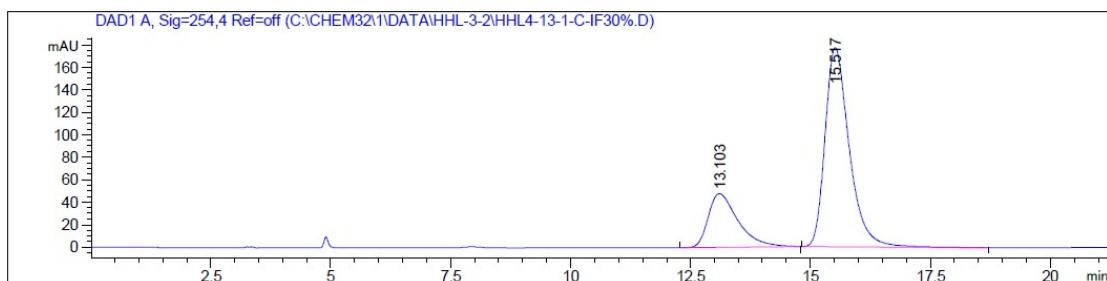
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**(R)-N-(1-((2-chlorobenzyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-(naphthalen-1-yl)ethylbenzamide (3o)**



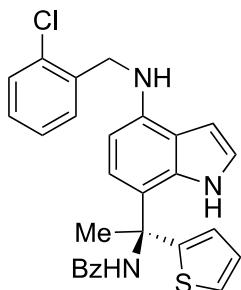
White foam, 85% yield; 50% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/i-PrOH = 70:30 (v/v),  $\lambda = 254$  nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor} = 13.103$  min,  $t_{major} = 15.517$  min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -7.84$  ( $c = 1.14$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.87 (s, 1H), 7.74 – 7.56 (m, 6H), 7.44 – 7.24 (m, 8H), 7.16 – 7.07 (m, 2H), 7.01 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.84 – 6.71 (m, 2H), 6.33 (s, 1H), 6.12 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 4.52 (s, 2H), 4.47 (s, 1H), 2.28 (s, 3H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  167.1, 141.6, 141.1, 136.8, 135.3, 133.8, 133.3, 133.2, 132.5, 131.6, 129.6, 129.2, 128.7, 128.4, 128.1, 127.5, 127.0, 126.1, 126.0, 125.4, 125.1, 122.8, 121.6, 118.9, 117.8, 98.9, 98.0, 62.4, 45.9, 29.4 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{34}\text{H}_{28}\text{ClN}_3\text{NaO}^+$   $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ : 552.1813, found: 552.1823.



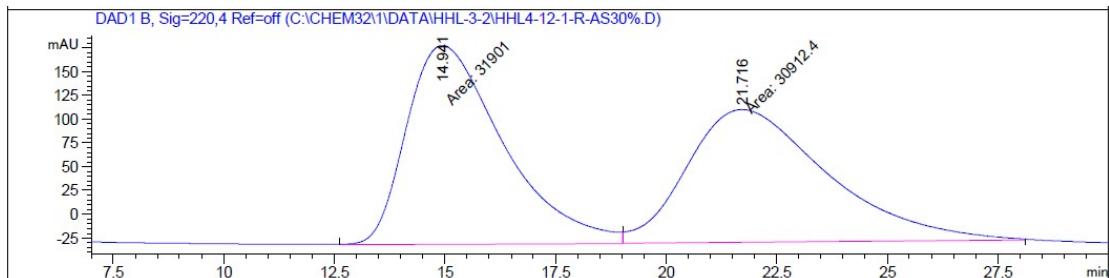


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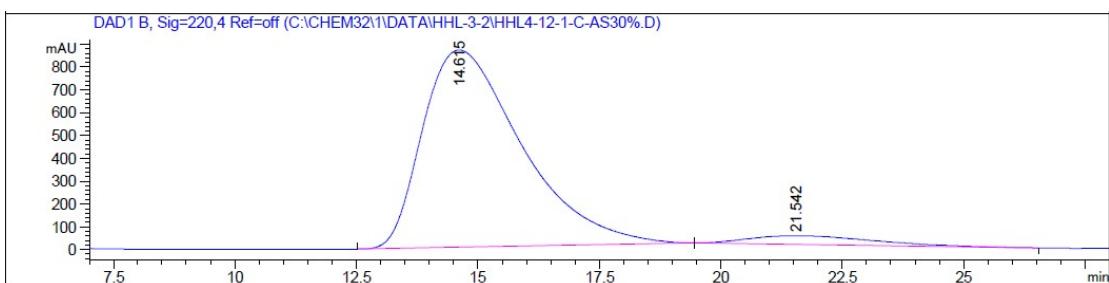
**(S)-N-(1-(4-((2-chlorobenzyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-(thiophen-2-yl)ethyl)benzamide (3p)**



White foam, 90% yield; 89% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak AS, hexane/i-PrOH = 70:30 (v/v),  $\lambda$  = 254 nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor}$  = 21.542 min,  $t_{major}$  = 14.615 min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -43.92$  ( $c = 0.59$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.63 (s, 1H), 7.75 – 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.50 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.26 – 7.17 (m, 3H), 7.03 – 6.98 (m, 2H), 6.97 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.88 (s, 1H), 6.47 (dd,  $J = 3.2, 2.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.17 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 4.59 (s, 2H), 4.55 (s, 1H), 2.44 (s, 3H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  167.0, 150.5, 141.0, 136.7, 135.1, 133.4, 133.3, 131.6, 129.5, 129.2, 128.7, 128.4, 127.0, 127.0, 126.5, 125.5, 125.0, 122.6, 121.2, 119.4, 117.8, 99.1, 98.4, 60.5, 45.8, 28.9 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{24}\text{ClN}_3\text{NaOS}^+$  [ $\text{M}+\text{Na}$ ] $^+$ : 508.1221, found: 508.1229.

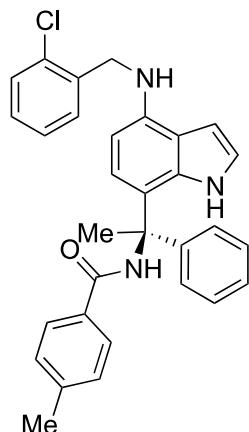


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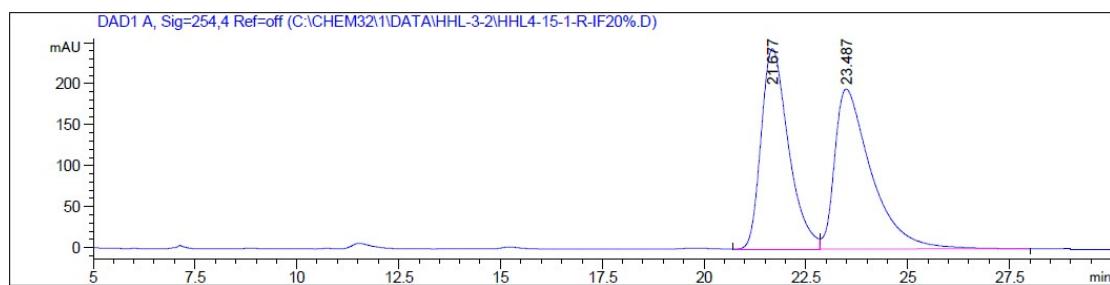
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**(R)-N-(1-((2-chlorobenzyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-phenylethyl)-4-methylbenzamide (3q)**

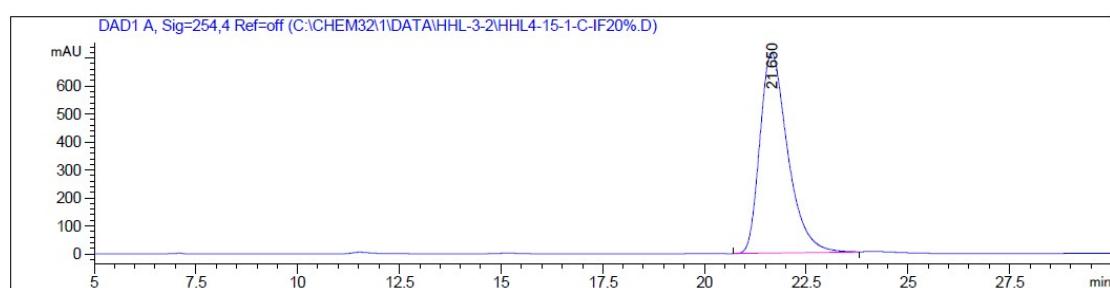


White foam, 91% yield; >99% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC

(Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/i-PrOH = 80:20 (v/v),  $\lambda$  = 254 nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{major}$  = 21.650 min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -28.81$  ( $c = 0.59$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.91 (s, 1H), 7.62 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.52 – 7.46 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.24 (m, 5H), 7.23 – 7.15 (m, 4H), 7.07 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.98 – 6.92 (m, 1H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 6.43 (dd,  $J$  = 3.2, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.19 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 4.61 (s, 2H), 4.53 (s, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  166.9, 144.2, 142.0, 140.9, 136.8, 133.8, 133.3, 132.4, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 128.4, 128.3, 127.0, 127.0, 126.7, 122.7, 121.4, 119.3, 117.7, 98.8, 97.9, 62.2, 45.8, 29.6, 21.4 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{28}\text{ClN}_3\text{NaO}^+$  [M+Na] $^+$ : 516.1813, found: 516.1826.

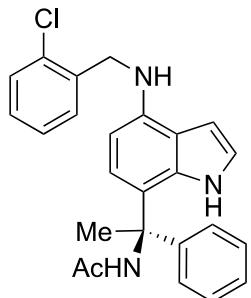


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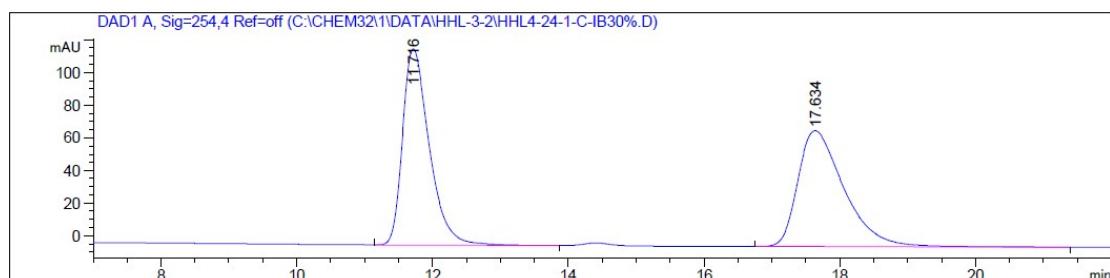


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**(R)-N-(1-((2-chlorobenzyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-phenylethyl)acetamide (3r)**



White foam, 90% yield; 74% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IB, hexane/i-PrOH = 70:30 (v/v),  $\lambda = 254$  nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor} = 17.838$  min,  $t_{major} = 11.602$  min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -30.77$  ( $c = 0.26$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.81 (s, 1H), 7.42 (dd,  $J = 5.7, 3.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.36 – 7.30 (m, 1H), 7.24 – 7.10 (m, 7H), 7.00 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.85 (t,  $J = 2.9$  Hz, 1H), 6.34 (dd,  $J = 3.3, 2.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.11 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 5.97 (s, 1H), 4.54 (s, 2H), 4.46 (s, 1H), 2.08 (s, 3H), 1.91 (s, 3H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  169.8, 144.1, 140.9, 136.8, 133.7, 133.3, 129.5, 129.2, 128.4, 128.3, 127.0, 126.9, 126.6, 122.6, 121.3, 119.0, 117.6, 98.6, 97.9, 61.9, 45.8, 29.9, 24.8 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{24}\text{ClN}_3\text{NaO}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ : 440.1500, found: 440.1508.

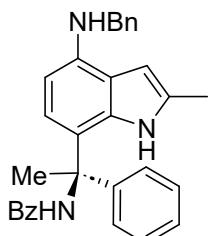


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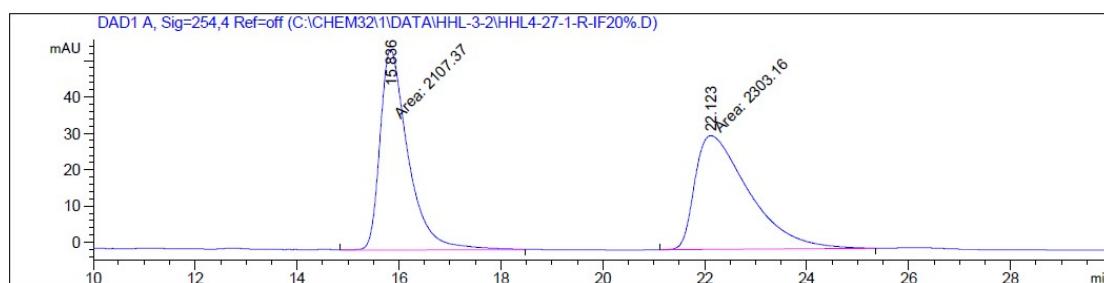
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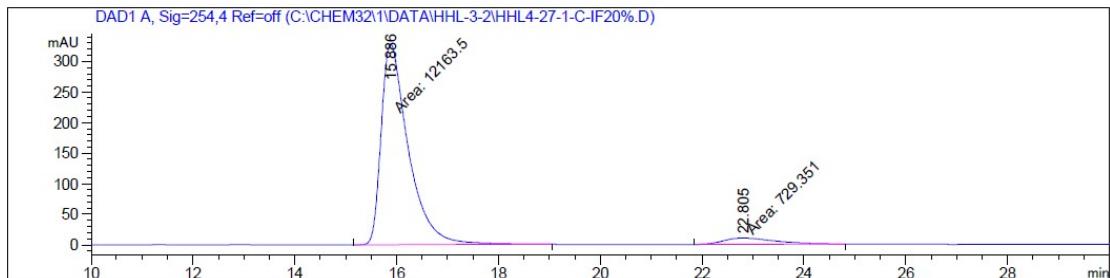
**(R)-N-(1-(4-(benzylamino)-2-methyl-1H-indol-7-yl)-1-phenylethyl)benzamide (3s)**



White foam, 83% yield; 89% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/i-PrOH = 80:20 (v/v),  $\lambda = 254$  nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor} = 22.805$  min,  $t_{major} = 15.886$  min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -19.02$  ( $c = 0.74$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.24 (s, 1H), 7.66 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.44 – 7.16 (m, 13H), 6.95 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.70 (s, 1H), 6.18 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 5.98 (s, 1H), 4.40 (s, 2H), 4.17 (s, 1H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 2.15 (s, 3H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  166.9, 144.4, 140.6, 139.7, 135.4, 133.6, 133.2, 131.6, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 127.7, 127.2, 127.1, 127.0, 126.8, 120.4, 118.9, 118.5, 99.0, 95.9, 62.3, 48.4, 29.2, 13.6 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{31}\text{H}_{29}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ : 482.2202, found: 482.2211.

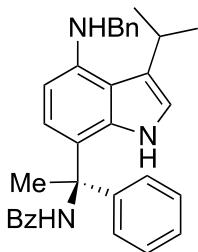


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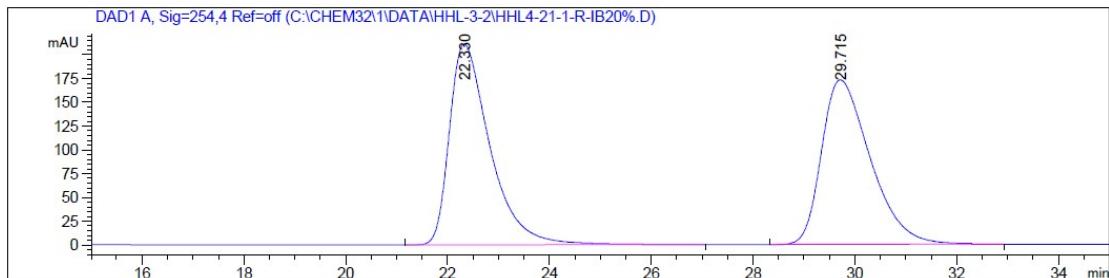


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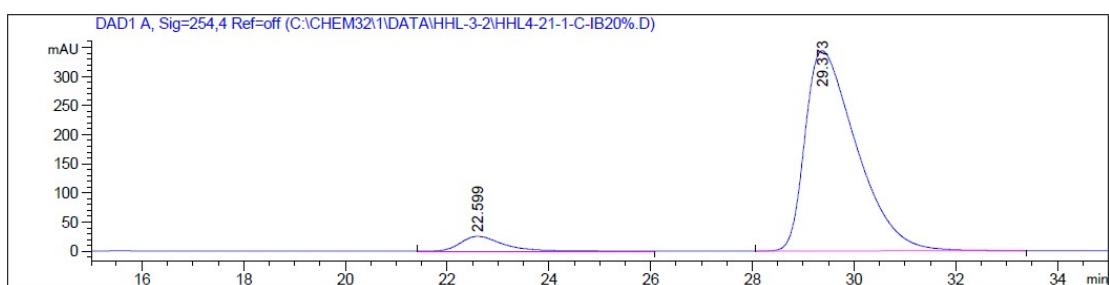
**(R)-N-(1-(4-(benzylamino)-3-isopropyl-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-phenylethyl)benzamide (3t)**



White foam, 89% yield; 89% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IB, hexane/i-PrOH = 80:20 (v/v),  $\lambda$  = 254 nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor}$  = 22.599 min,  $t_{major}$  = 29.373 min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +13.83$  ( $c = 0.94$  in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.31 (s, 1H), 7.69 – 7.60 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.33 – 7.25 (m, 6H), 7.25 – 7.14 (m, 4H), 6.96 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (s, 1H), 6.60 (d,  $J$  = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.15 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (s, 1H), 4.39 (s, 2H), 3.17 (dt,  $J$  = 13.3, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 1.24 (d,  $J$  = 6.6 Hz, 6H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  167.1, 144.4, 143.0, 139.6, 135.4, 134.9, 131.5, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 127.5, 127.2, 127.0, 126.7, 123.4, 121.4, 118.9, 118.1, 115.7, 99.0, 62.4, 48.5, 28.7, 27.0, 24.7, 24.3 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>33</sub>N<sub>3</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 510.2516, found: 510.2538.

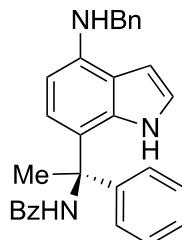


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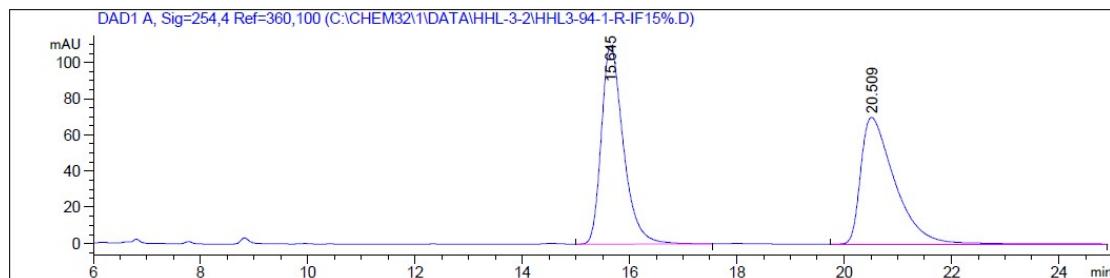
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### (R)-N-(1-(4-(benzylamino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-phenylethyl)benzamide (3u)

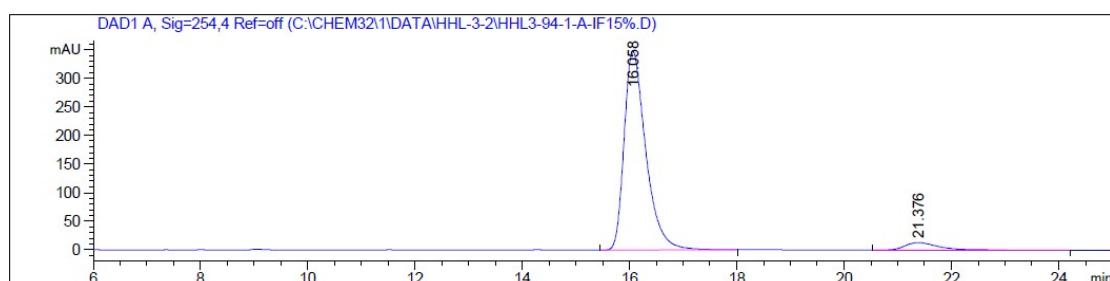


White foam, 80% yield; 89% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/i-PrOH = 85:15 (v/v),  $\lambda$  = 254 nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor}$  = 21.376 min,  $t_{major}$  = 16.058 min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -10.91$  ( $c = 0.55$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.80 (s, 1H), 7.79 – 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.51 – 7.42 (m, 3H), 7.42 – 7.33 (m, 6H), 7.33 – 7.23 (m, 4H), 7.12 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.97 – 6.89 (m, 1H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 6.39 (dd,  $J = 3.2, 2.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.28 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 4.50 (s, 2H), 4.39

(s, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  167.0, 144.2, 141.4, 139.6, 135.3, 133.7, 131.6, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 127.7, 127.3, 127.1, 127.0, 126.7, 122.6, 121.4, 119.1, 117.7, 98.7, 98.0, 62.3, 48.4, 29.5 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{30}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}_3\text{NaO}^+ [\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$ : 468.2046, found: 468.2062.

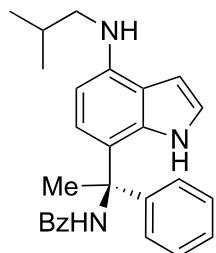


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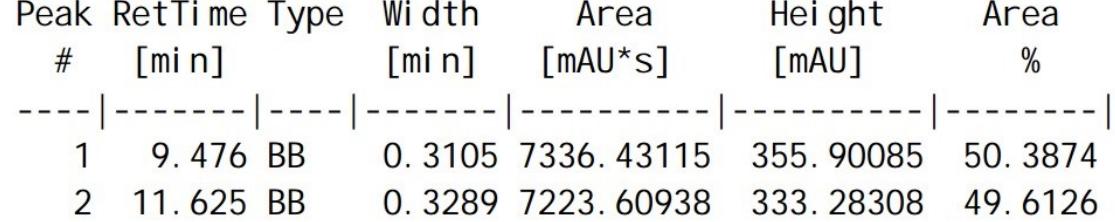
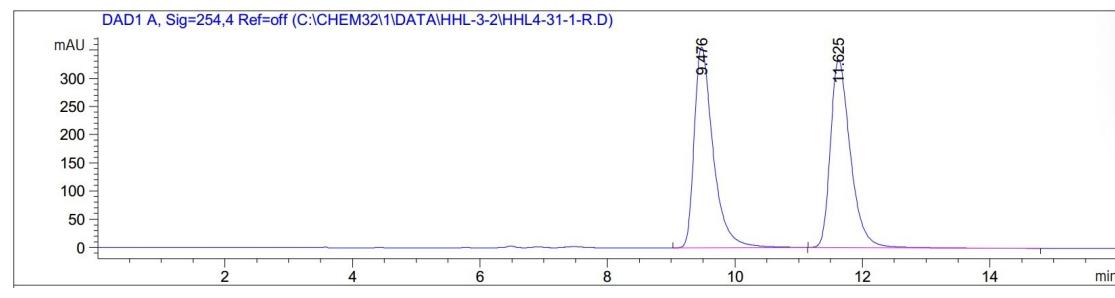


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### (R)-N-(1-(4-(isobutylamino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-phenylethyl)benzamide (3v)

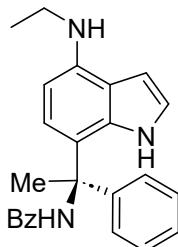


White foam, 87% yield; 89% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/i-PrOH = 80:20 (v/v),  $\lambda = 254$  nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor} = 9.498$  min,  $t_{major} = 11.552$  min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -37.23$  ( $c = 0.52$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.74 (s, 1H), 7.73 (d,  $J = 7.4$  Hz, 2H), 7.51 – 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.43 – 7.33 (m, 4H), 7.33 – 7.22 (m, 3H), 7.14 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t,  $J = 2.7$  Hz, 1H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 6.39 (s, 1H), 6.26 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 4.08 (s, 1H), 3.11 (d,  $J = 6.7$  Hz, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.08 – 1.95 (m, 1H), 1.04 (d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 6H) ppm;  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  167.0, 144.3, 141.8, 135.3, 133.7, 131.5, 128.6, 128.4, 127.0, 127.0, 126.7, 122.4, 121.5, 118.4, 117.6, 98.2, 97.9, 62.3, 51.7, 29.4, 28.2, 20.7 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{30}\text{N}_3\text{O}^+$  [ $\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ : 412.2383, found: 412.2390.

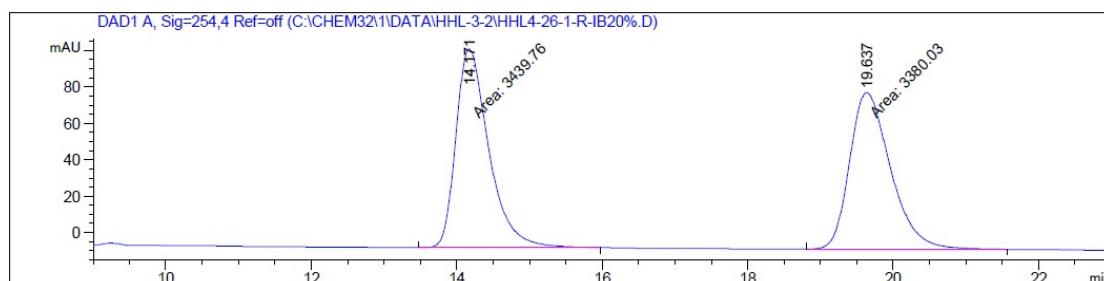


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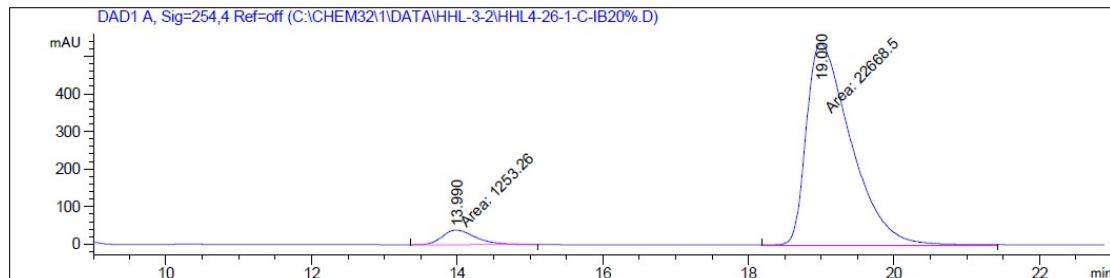
**(R)-N-(1-(4-(ethylamino)-1H-indol-7-yl)-1-phenylethyl)benzamide (3w)**



White foam, 85% yield; 90% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IB, hexane/i-PrOH = 80:20 (v/v),  $\lambda = 254$  nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor} = 13.990$  min,  $t_{major} = 19.000$  min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -8.87$  ( $c = 0.68$  in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.67 (s, 1H), 7.71 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.35 (m, 1H), 7.34 – 7.25 (m, 4H), 7.25 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 7.07 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 1H), 6.88 – 6.79 (m, 1H), 6.69 (s, 1H), 6.34 – 6.26 (m, 1H), 6.20 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 3.85 (s, 1H), 3.26 (q,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 2H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 1.28 (t,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 3H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  167.0, 144.3, 141.7, 135.3, 133.7, 131.5, 128.6, 128.4, 127.0, 127.0, 126.7, 122.5, 121.5, 118.7, 117.6, 98.3, 98.0, 62.3, 38.4, 29.4, 15.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>3</sub>NaO<sup>+</sup> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 406.1890, found: 406.1890.

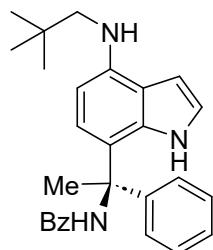


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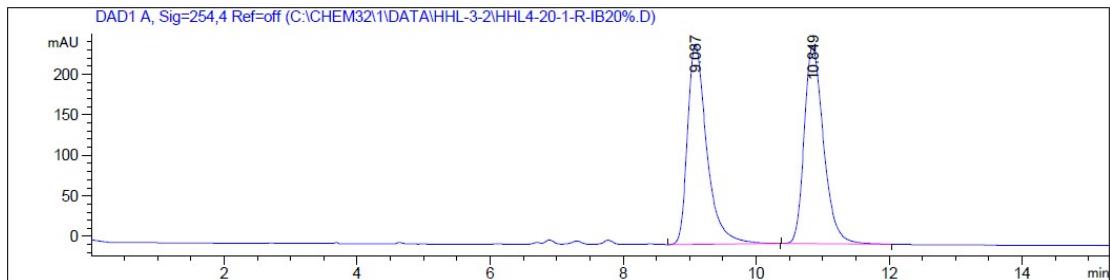


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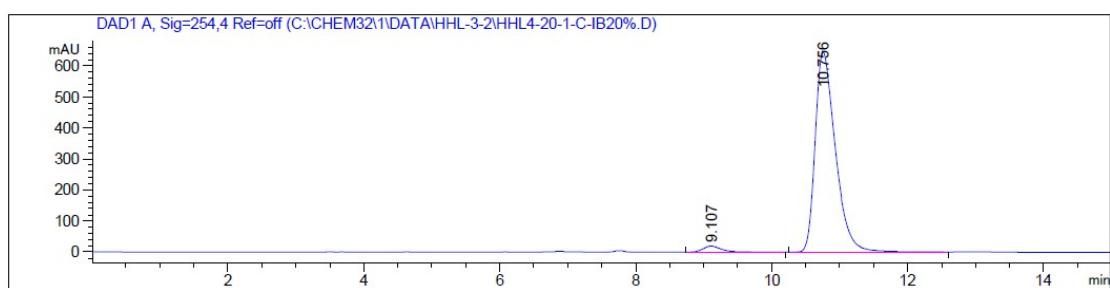
**(R)-N-(1-(4-(tert-butylamino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-phenylethyl)benzamide (3x)**



White foam, 87% yield; 95% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IB, hexane/i-PrOH = 80:20 (v/v),  $\lambda$  = 254 nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor}$  = 9.107 min,  $t_{major}$  = 10.756 min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  = -14.79 ( $c$  = 0.68 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.68 (s, 1H), 7.65 (d,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.39 (t,  $J$  = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.25 (m, 4H), 7.25 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 7.07 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.89 – 6.81 (m, 1H), 6.68 (s, 1H), 6.32 (s, 1H), 6.21 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 3.95 (s, 1H), 3.00 (s, 2H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 0.99 (s, 9H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  165.9, 143.3, 141.2, 134.3, 132.6, 130.5, 127.6, 127.3, 126.0, 125.9, 125.7, 121.4, 120.4, 117.3, 116.5, 97.0, 96.8, 61.3, 54.5, 30.9, 28.4, 26.7 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 426.2540, found: 426.2521.

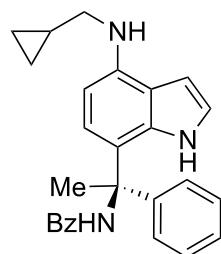


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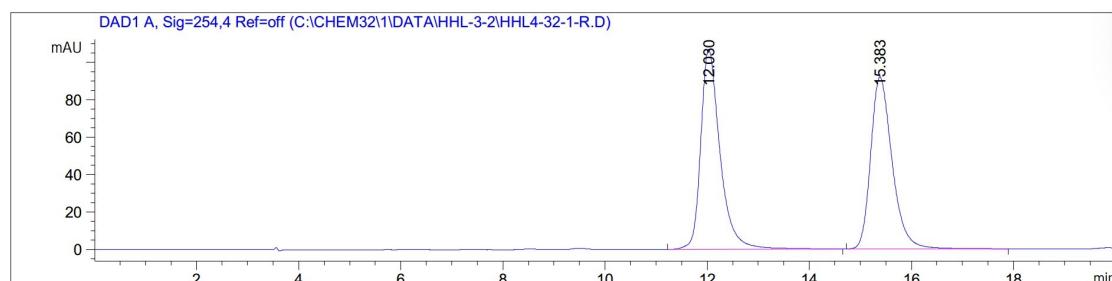
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2	10.756	BB	0.3148	1.33593e4	647.28369	97.3147

**(R)-N-(1-((cyclopropylmethyl)amino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-phenylethyl)benzamide  
(3y)**

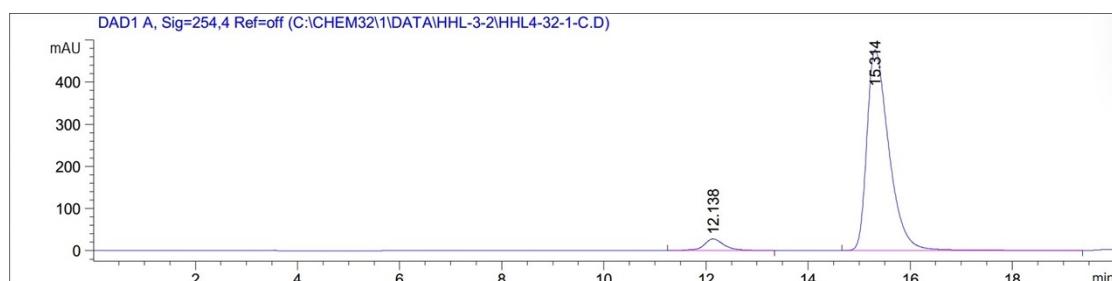


White foam, 90% yield; 90% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/i-PrOH = 80:20 (v/v),  $\lambda$  = 254 nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor}$  = 12.138 min,  $t_{major}$  = 15.314 min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -27.63$  ( $c = 0.43$  in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.75 (s, 1H), 7.77 – 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.50 – 7.43 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.33 (m, 4H), 7.33 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.96 – 6.89 (m, 1H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 6.43 (dd, *J* = 3.1, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.25 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (s, 1H), 3.13 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 1.29 – 1.16 (m, 1H), 0.65 – 0.53 (m, 2H), 0.29 (q, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 2H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 167.0, 144.3, 141.7, 135.3, 133.7, 131.6, 128.6, 128.4, 127.0, 127.0, 126.7, 122.5, 121.4, 118.7, 117.6, 98.3, 98.1, 62.3, 49.0, 29.4, 11.0, 3.6 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>28</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 410.2226, found: 410.2223.

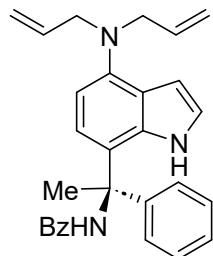


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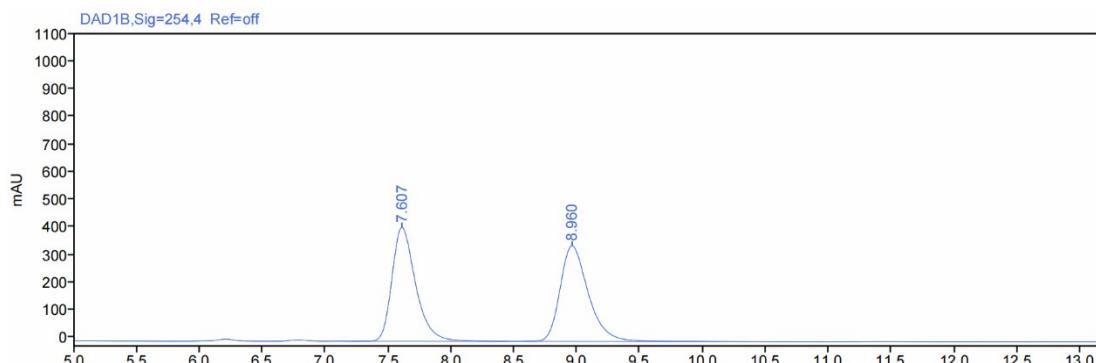


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### (R)-N-(1-(4-(diallylamino)-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-phenylethyl)benzamide (3z)

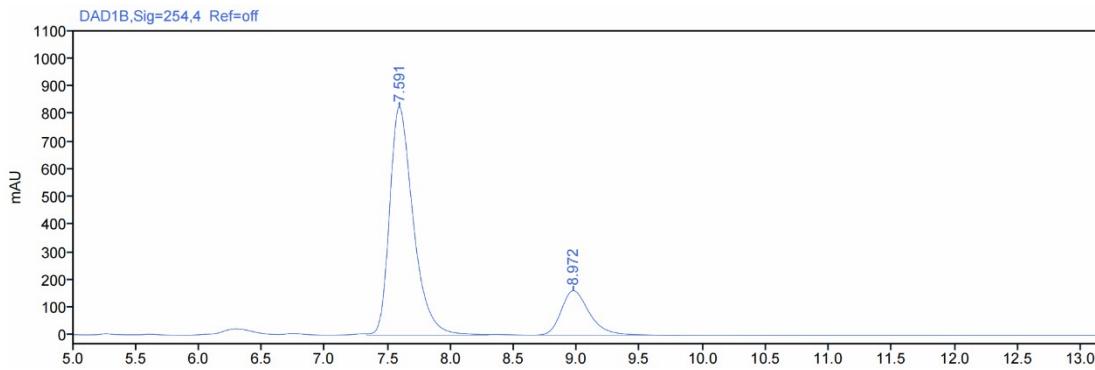


White foam, 33% yield; 62% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/i-PrOH = 80:20 (v/v),  $\lambda = 254$  nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor} = 8.972$  min,  $t_{major} = 7.591$  min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +25.86$  ( $c = 0.29$  in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.79 (s, 1H), 7.81 – 7.75 (m, 2H), 7.56 – 7.49 (m, 1H), 7.47 – 7.31 (m, 7H), 7.14 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.98 (t,  $J = 2.9$  Hz, 1H), 6.82 (s, 1H), 6.61 (t,  $J = 2.6$  Hz, 1H), 6.55 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.00 (ddt,  $J = 17.1, 10.4, 5.3$  Hz, 2H), 5.40 – 5.22 (m, 4H), 4.05 (d,  $J = 5.3$  Hz, 4H), 2.39 (s, 3H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  167.0, 144.6, 144.1, 135.2, 135.2, 134.6, 131.6, 128.6, 128.4, 127.1, 126.9, 126.7, 122.4, 120.8, 120.7, 120.7, 116.7, 105.6, 101.5, 62.3, 53.9, 29.1 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>30</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> [M+H]<sup>+</sup>: 436.2384, found: 436.2390.



**Signal:** DAD1B,Sig=254.4 Ref=off

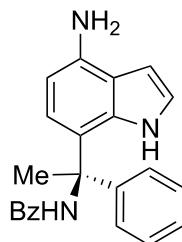
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1	7.591	VV	0.96	10758.43	824.38	81.18
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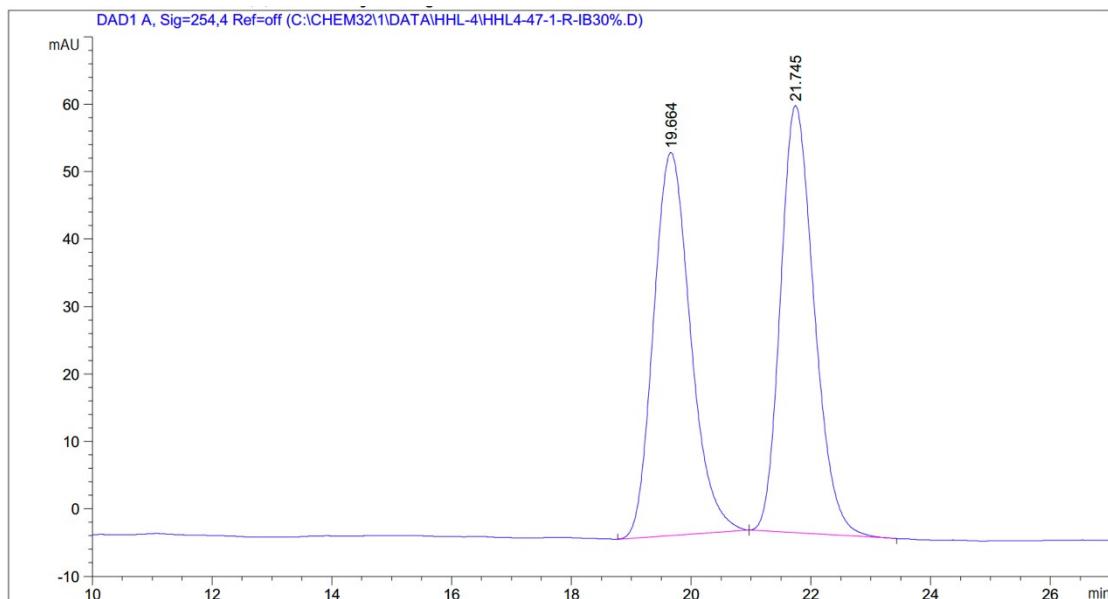
### (R)-N-(1-(4-amino-1*H*-indol-7-yl)-1-phenylethyl)benzamide (**3aa**)



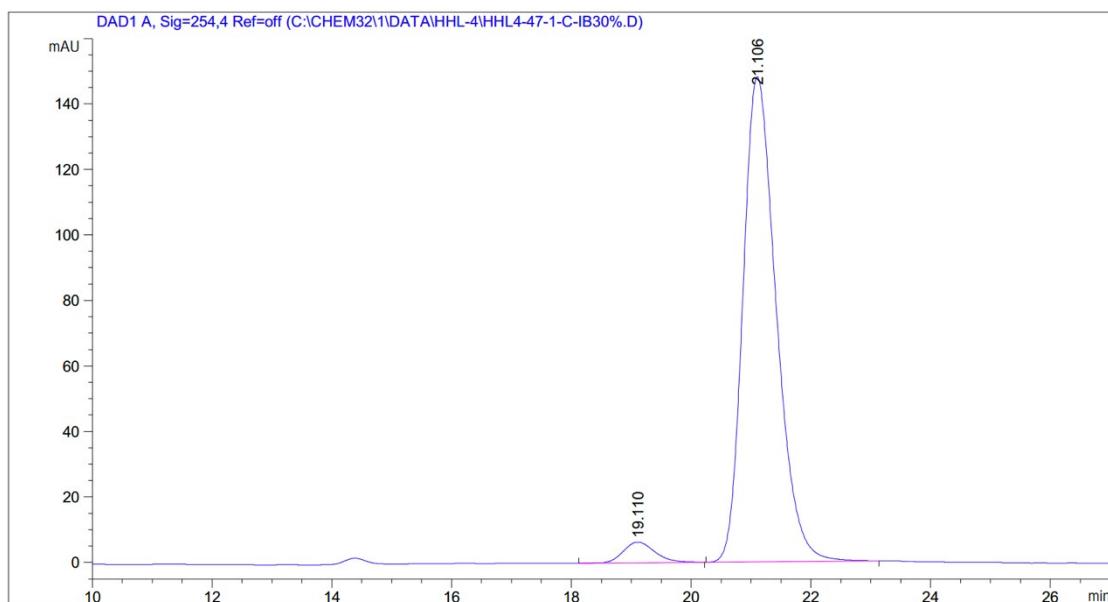
The **3a** (48 mg, 0.1 mmol) was dissolved in methanol (2.0 mL), palladium (10% on carbon, 5 mg) and ammonium formate was (32.0 mg, 0.5 mmol) added. The mixture was heated in an oil bath to flux for 1 h. After completion, the reaction mixture was then filtered off through Celite, the residue was washed with methanol and the filtrate was concentrated and purified by silica gel chromatography (Petroleum ether/EtOAc = 2:1) to give the corresponding product **3aa**.

White foam, 94% yield; 92% ee. The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IB, hexane/i-PrOH = 70:30 (v/v),  $\lambda$  = 254 nm, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min):  $t_{minor}$  = 19.110 min,  $t_{major}$  = 21.106 min;  $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -27.63$  ( $c = 0.43$  in CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.72 (s, 1H), 7.69 – 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.40 (t,  $J$  = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.28 – 7.22 (m, 4H), 7.20 (d,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (d,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (s, 1H), 6.69 (s, 1H), 6.48 (d,  $J$  = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (t,  $J$  = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  166.0, 143.3, 138.6, 134.3, 133.1, 130.5, 127.6, 127.4, 126.1, 125.9, 125.7, 121.9, 120.2, 118.8, 117.4, 102.3, 97.4,

61.3, 28.3 ppm; HRMS (ESI) calcd for  $C_{23}H_{21}N_3NaO^+$  [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 378.1577, found: 378.1572.



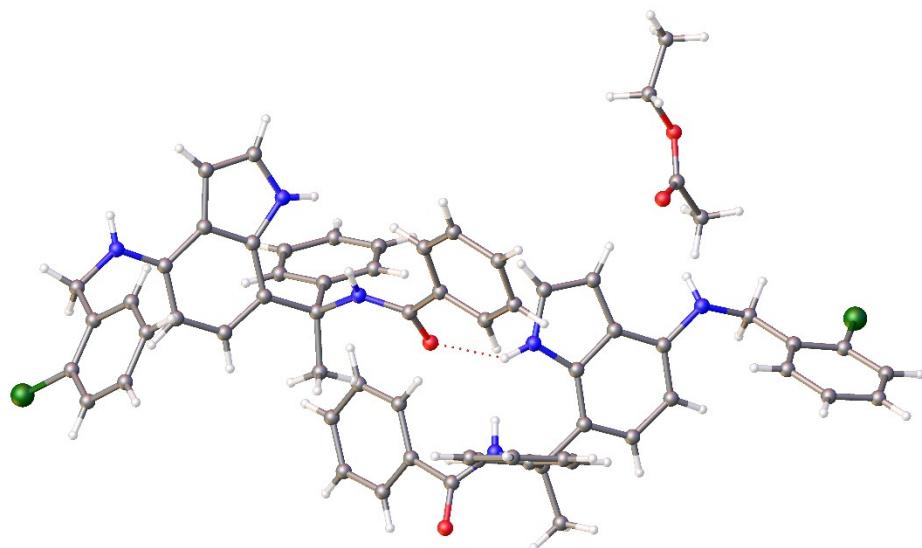
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1	19. 110	BB	0. 5715	233. 71722	6. 34810	3. 9438
2	21. 106	BB	0. 5922	5692. 43652	148. 18576	96. 0562

#### 4. Determination of the absolute configuration of **3a** by X-ray crystallography

Crystals of **3a** were formed by slow evaporation of a mixture of minimal ethyl acetate and an appropriate amount of hexane at room temperature. Single crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were selected and mounted in inert oil and their X-ray diffraction intensity data was collected at 160 K on a Rigaku XtaLAB FRX diffractometer equipped with a Hypix6000HE detector, using Cu K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 1.54184 \text{ \AA}$ ) under the program CrysAlisPro.



**Figure S1:** Molecular structure of **3a**-dimer with one equivalent ethyl acetate (EA) solvent obtained by single-crystal X-ray diffraction studies with the ellipsoid contour at 50% probability levels.

Identification code	CCDC 2027306
Empirical formula	C <sub>64</sub> H <sub>60</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>6</sub> O <sub>4</sub>
Formula weight	1048.133
Temperature/K	159.99(10)
Crystal system	monoclinic

Space group	P2 <sub>1</sub>
a/Å	8.4767(1)
b/Å	34.4041(2)
c/Å	9.54320(1)
α/°	90
β/°	99.5370(1)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	2744.65(5)
Z	2
ρ <sub>calc</sub> g/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.268
μ/mm <sup>-1</sup>	1.496
F(000)	1108.8
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.2 × 0.2 × 0.15
Radiation	CuKα ( $\lambda = 1.54184$ )
2Θ range for data collection/°	5.14 to 150.3
Index ranges	-10 ≤ h ≤ 10, -42 ≤ k ≤ 42, -11 ≤ l ≤ 11
Reflections collected	52565
Independent reflections	10988 [R <sub>int</sub> = 0.0314, R <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0219]
Data/restraints/parameters	10988/7/714
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.042
Final R indexes [I>=2σ (I)]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0398, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1099
Final R indexes [all data]	R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0415, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1127
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.60/-0.43
Flack parameter	-0.003(4)

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## 6. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ , $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ Spectra

