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Supporting Information

Enantioselective total synthesis of (+)-ibophyllidine via an asymmetric phosphine-catalyzed [3 + 2] annulation

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Materials and Methods

Unless otherwise stated, all reactions were performed in flame-dried glassware fitted with a rubber septum, under an Ar atmosphere, and stirred with a Teflon-coated stirrer bar. All reaction solvents were distilled immediately prior to use [dichloromethane (DCM), acetonitrile (MeCN), benzene (PhH), and toluene (PhMe) were distilled from CaH₂; tetrahydrofuran (THF) was distilled from Na/benzophenone ketyl; methanol (MeOH) was distilled from magnesium methoxide] and transferred with an oven-dried needle and a disposable syringe using standard Schlenk techniques. Thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed using SiliCycle silica gel 60 F-254-precoated glass-backed plates (thickness: 0.25 mm) and visualized under UV light and through anisaldehyde or permanganate staining. Flash column chromatography was performed using SiliCycle Silica-P silica gel (particle size: 40–63 µm). Melting points were measured using an Electrothermal capillary melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded using Bruker Avance-500, ARX-400, and ARX-500 MHz spectrometers, with ¹³C operating frequencies of 125, 100, and 125 MHz respectively. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm (δ) with respect to the residual solvent (CHCl₃; δ = 7.26 ppm for ¹H; δ = 77 ppm for ¹³C). Data for ¹H NMR spectra are reported as follows: chemical shift (ppm), multiplicity, coupling constant (Hz), and number of protons. The following abbreviations are used for ¹H NMR multiplicities: s = singlet; d = doublet; t = triplet; q = quartet; quint = quintet; dd = doublet of doublets; dt = doublet of triplets; dq = doublet of quartets; td = triplet of doublets; tdd = triplet of doublet of doublets; m =multiplet; br = broad; app = apparent. Data for ${}^{13}C$ NMR spectra are reported with respect to chemical shift (ppm). IR spectra were recorded using a Jasco FTIR-4100 spectrometer equipped with an ATR attachment. MALDI mass spectra were recorded using an AB/PerSpective DE-STR instrument. Samples for MALDI analysis were dissolved with 2,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid as the matrix. High-resolution mass spectra were recorded using a Waters LCT Premier instrument. Optical rotations were recorded using a Rudolph Autopol IV automatic polarimeter. Enantiomeric excess was measured using a Mettler Toledo SFC (supercritical fluid chromatography) instrument and a chiral OD-H column (20% EtOAc).

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Experimental Procedures



N-Tosyl-imine 9. Indole-3-carboxaldehyde is commercially available or readily prepared via Vilsmeier– Haack formylation of indole, following the procedure of James and Snyder.¹ Indole-3-carboxaldehyde was then N-Boc-protected, following the procedure of Grehn and Ragnarsson, to provide 15.² N-Bocindole-3-aldehyde (15; 4.76 g, 19.4 mmol, 1 equiv) and p-toluenesulfonamide (3.36 g, 19.6 mmol, 1.01 equiv) were suspended in freshly distilled DCM (194 mL). The mixture was placed under a positive pressure of Ar and then freshly distilled triethylamine (8.12 mL, 58.2 mmol, 3 equiv) was introduced via syringe. The heterogeneous mixture was cooled to 0 °C and then 1 M TiCl₄ in DCM (9.71 mL, 9.71 mmol, 0.5 equiv) was added via syringe pump over 1 h. The mixture was then stirred until the starting material was consumed (overnight, as determined by TLC; the mixture was slowly warmed to room temperature over the course of the reaction). The mixture was cooled to 0 °C and then the reaction was quenched through the addition of saturated aqueous $NaHCO_3$. The layers were separated and the aqueous phase extracted twice with DCM. The combined organic phases were washed with brine and then dried $(Na_2SO_4).$ After filtration and concentration in vacuo, the crude material was recrystallized (DCM/hexanes) to provide a yellow crystalline solid (6.96 g, 90%). Mp: 139-140 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.15 (s, 1H), 8.29 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 8.28 (s, 1H), 8.14 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (td, J = 7.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.36–7.30 (m, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.69 (s, 9H); ¹³C NMR (125) MHz, CDCl₃): δ 163.2, 148.3, 144.0, 137.5, 136.1, 135.9, 129.6, 127.7, 126.2, 126.2, 124.6, 122.7, 116.4, 115.1, 85.9, 27.9, 21.5; IR (film): 3132, 1575, 1329, 1235, 1083, 811, 544 cm⁻¹; HRMS-ESI (*m/z*) [M + H_{1}^{+} calcd $C_{21}H_{22}N_2O_4SH$, 399.1378, found 399.1375.



¹ P. N. James, H. R. Snyder, Org. Synth., 1963, Coll. Vol. 4, 539.

² (a) L. Grehn, U. Ragnarsson, *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, 1984, **23**, 296. (b) G. Bringmann, S. Tasler, H. Endress, K. Peters, E.-M. Peters, *Synthesis*, 1998, 1501.

Pyrroline 16. A flame-dried round-bottom flask was charged with the imine **9** (50.0 mg, 0.125 mmol, 1 equiv) and the phosphine 12 (4.30 mg, 0.0125 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in a glove box. The flask was capped with a rubber septum, transferred out of the glove box, and placed under a positive pressure of Ar. The solid mixture was dissolved in benzene (1 mL), followed by the addition of the allenoate 10 (23 mg, 0.163 mmol, 1.3 equiv), prepared using the method of Lang and Hansen.³ The mixture was stirred at room temperature until the starting imine 9 was consumed (4 h, as determined by TLC). The crude reaction product was loaded directly onto a column of SiO₂ and purified through flash column chromatography (30% Et₂O/pentanes) to yield a white solid (62.4 mg, 93%, 99% ee as determined by SFC). Mp: 92–94 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.03 (br s, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.41 (s, 1H), 7.28 (td, J = 7.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (td, J = 7.3, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 7.1 (d, J = 8.1Hz, 2H), 6.79 (app t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 5.98 (app t, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 4.66–4.60 (m, 1H), 4.00 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.14–2.03 (m, 1H), 1.89–1.77 (m, 1H), 1.66 (s, 9H), 1.06 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 1.03 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H); 13 C (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.1, 149.4, 143.4, 139.2, 135.3, 135.2, 133.9, 129.2, 128.9, 127.4, 125.3, 124.2, 122.4, 120.0, 119.7, 114.9, 83.7, 68.6, 61.3, 60.7, 29.3, 28.1, 21.3, 13.8, 10.4; IR (film) 2978, 2932, 2879, 1722, 1449, 1368, 1254, 1156, 1087 cm⁻¹; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M + H]⁺ calcd $C_{29}H_{34}N_2O_6SH$, 539.2216, found 539.2208; $[\alpha]^{24.2}_{D}$ +83.2° (*c* = 1.000, CHCl₃).

Large-Scale Synthesis of the Pyrroline 16. A flame-dried 1-L-round-bottom flask was charged with the imine 9 (28.8 g, 72.4 mmol, 1 equiv) and the phosphine 12 (2.5 g, 7.2 mmol, 0.1 equiv) in a glove box. The flask was capped with a rubber septum, transferred out of the glove box, and placed under a positive pressure of Ar. Benzene (576 mL) was added to the flask and then the mixture was stirred at room temperature until it became homogeneous (ca. 10 min). The allenoate 10 (13.2 g, 94.1 mmol, 1.3 equiv) was introduced via syringe and then the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature until the starting imine 9 had been consumed (8 h, as determined by TLC). The crude reaction product was loaded directly onto a large column of SiO₂ and purified through flash column chromatography (30% Et₂O/pentanes). The impure fractions were subjected to a second round of column chromatography. The clean fractions were combined to yield a slightly yellow solid (36.7 g, 94% yield, 97% *ee* as determined by SFC).



³ R. Lang, H.-J. Hansen, Org. Synth., 1984, **62**, 202.

Hydrogenation of the Pyrroline 16. A summary of the results obtained for the hydrogenation of the pyrroline **16** is provided in Table S1. The study began with the hydrogenation of **16** using 5% palladium on carbon in EtOH under a balloon of H_2 . Although the double bond was reduced, the hydrogenation occurred predominantly—and surprisingly—from the same face of the ring bearing the ethyl and indole groups, yielding little of the desired compound **11** (entry 1). Performing the reaction under milder conditions (room temperature) provided more of the desired diastereoisomer **11**, but still favored **S1** with a 1:8 dr (entry 2). Performing the reaction in EtOAc provided no difference in selectivity (entry 3), whereas changing the solvent to THF led to a small improvement, but still favored the undesired isomer **S1** with a 1:5 ratio (entry 4). When using benzene as the solvent, the ratio of products changed in favor of the desired isomer **11**, albeit only slightly (1.8:1 dr, entry 5). In an attempt to improve the diastereoselectivity, the reaction was performed under a greater pressure of H_2 . Upon switching from a H_2 -filled balloon to running the reaction in a pressure reactor at 100 psi, the selectivity increased from 1.8:1 to a tolerable 5:1 (entries 5 and 6, respectively). Increasing the pressure to 200 psi did not change

Entry	Catalyst	Solvent	Hydrogen source	11:S1 ^a
1	5% Pd/C	EtOH	H ₂ balloon (50 °C)	1:37
2	5% Pd/C	MeOH	H ₂ (balloon)	1:8
3	5% Pd/C	EtOAc	H_2 (balloon) 1:8	
4	5% Pd/C	THF	H_2 (balloon) 1:	
5	5% Pd/C	PhH	H ₂ (balloon)	1.8:1
6	5% Pd/C	PhH	H ₂ (100 psi)	5:1
7	5% Pd/C	PhH	H ₂ (200 psi)	5:1
8	5% Pd/C	PhH	H ₂ (500 psi)	3.7:1
9	5% Pd/C	PhMe	H ₂ (200 psi)	2.4:1
10	(PPh ₃) ₂ RhCl ₂	DCM	H ₂ (balloon)	N/A ^{b,c}
11	NiCl ₂	EtOH	NaBH ₄ (2 equiv, 0 °C) N/A^b	
12	NiCl ₂	EtOH	NaBH ₄ (10 equiv, 0 °C) $1:3 + 16$	
13	N/A	EtOH	NaBH ₄ (50 equiv, 3days)	N/A (see text)
14	Raney Ni	EtOH	H ₂ (balloon) 8:1:0	
15	Raney Ni	THF	none N/A	
16	Raney Ni	THF	H ₂ (100 psi)	9:1
17	Raney Ni	THF	H ₂ (200 psi) 16:1	

 Table S1 Optimization of the hydrogenation of the pyrroline 16 to form the pyrrolidine 11

^a The reported diastereoisomeric ratio (dr) was determined from the NMR spectrum of the crude product. ^b Mainly unreacted starting material was recovered. ^c These conditions were also tested on the allylic alcohol resulting from the DIBAL-mediated reduction of **16**. Again, no reduction was observed in the NMR spectrum of the crude product.

the ratio of **11** to **S1** (entry 7); increasing the pressure further, to 500 psi, resulted in a lower selectivity of 3.7:1 (entry 8). Using other aromatic solvents (e.g., toluene) in place of benzene, under otherwise identical conditions, provided lower selectivity (2.4:1 dr) for the desired isomer 11 (entry 9). In an attempt to identify conditions that would favor the desired diastereoisomer with higher selectivity, other hydrogenation catalysts were screened. Homogeneous conditions using Wilkinson's catalyst provided mainly recovered starting material (entry 10). In situ-generated nickel boride provided little, if any, reduction products when employing two equivalents of NaBH₄ (entry 11). Using 10 equivalents of $NaBH_4$ provided some of the desired pyrrolidine along with recovered starting material; nevertheless, the reduction again favored the undesired diastereoisomer S1 by 1:3 (entry 12). Treating the pyrroline 16 with 50 equivalents of $NaBH_4$ in EtOH for three days cleanly provided a single diastereoisomer of a new compound, identified as the alcohol derived from reduction of the ester group of S1. The best reducing agent identified for this transformation was Raney Ni (entries 14–17). When treating the pyrroline 16 with Raney Ni in EtOH, the reduction favored the desired diastereoisomer with a 8:1 dr (entry 14). Performing the reaction without external H_2 led to recovered starting material (entry 15). Notably, repeated trials with Raney Ni gave variable results in terms of reaction times and conversion to the pyrrolidine products 11 and S1 when performing the reaction without H_2 or under a balloon of H_2 . In an attempt to achieve more-consistent results, the reactions with Raney Ni were performed under higher pressures of H₂. Not only did this ensure more-reliable reaction times and conversions but also, in congruence with the aforementioned outcome using high pressure, resulted in higher dr (entries 16 and 17). When employing Raney Ni at 100 psi, the desired pyrroline **11** was isolated with a 9:1 dr (entry 16). Upon increasing the pressure to 200 psi, the dr increased to a very respectable 16:1-the best selectivity obtained in this study. Under these optimized conditions (see below), the desired pyrrolidine 11 could be isolated consistently in 80% yield as a single diastereoisomer on multigram scale.



Pyrrolidine 11. The pyrroline **16** (10.0 g, 18.6 mmol) was added to a metal high-pressure reaction vessel equipped with a stirrer bar and then THF (400 mL) was added to form a solution. A suspension of Raney Ni in water [Raney Ni 4200 (Aldrich), 20 mL] was added directly to the solution without removal of the water. The reaction vessel was sealed and purged three times with H_2 gas (pressurized to 50 psi, followed

by release of the H_2 gas). The vessel was then pressurized to 200 psi with H_2 gas and the mixture left to stir vigorously (to keep Raney Ni suspended) until no starting material remained (8 h, as determined from the crude NMR spectrum of a small aliquot). The reaction mixture was decanted from the solid Raney Ni into a separatory funnel containing saturated aqueous NaCl. The solids were rinsed three times with EtOAc and the rinses were added to the separatory funnel. After separation of the layers, the aqueous phase was extracted three times with EtOAc. The combined organic phases were washed again with brine and dried (Na_2SO_4). After filtration and concentration in vacuo, the crude reaction product was recrystallized (by dissolving in boiling DCM and quickly diluting the mixture with a large amount of hexanes) to yield a white crystalline solid (8.3 g, 80%). Mp: 180–182 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.04 (br s, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (s, 1H), 7.30–7.23 (m, 3H), 7.19 (td, J = 7.4, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.52 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (dq, J = 10.8, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 3.6 (tdd, J = 9.1, 8.9, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 3.6 (tdd, J = 9.1, 8.9, 1Hz, 1H), 3.6 (tdd, J = 9.1, 8.9, 1Hz, 1H), 3.63.5 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (dq, 10.8, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.87–2.79 (m, 1H), 2.4 (s, 3H), 2.44–2.35 (m, 1H), 2.24–2.18 (m, 2H), 1.81–1.69 (m, 1H), 1.66 (s, 9H), 1.01 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 0.85 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125) MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.6, 149.5, 143.6, 135.1, 129.7, 128.8, 127.6, 125.0, 124.5, 122.2, 119.6, 119.2, 115.1, 83.8, 62.0, 60.9, 57.9, 47.4, 32.2, 29.5, 28.2, 21.5, 13.5, 10.6; IR (film) 2978, 2936, 2899, 2879, 1726, 1458, 1372, 1343, 1266, 1152 cm⁻¹; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M + H]⁺ calcd C₂₉H₃₆N₂O₆SH, 541.2372, found 541.2370; $[\alpha]^{24.1}_{D}$ +88.6° (*c* = 1.000, CHCl₃).



Alcohol S2. Freshly distilled THF (65 ml) was added to a flame-dried round-bottom flask charged with LiAlH₄ (710 mg, 18.7 mmol, 1 equiv). The flask was capped with an addition funnel and the setup was placed under a positive pressure of Ar. The heterogeneous mixture was cooled to 0 °C and then the pyrrolidine **11** (10.1 g, 18.7 mmol) was added to the addition funnel as a solution in THF (20 mL) over the course of 1 h. The mixture was then warmed to room temperature and stirred until the starting material had been consumed (2 h, as determined by TLC). Once complete, the reaction was quenched through the dropwise addition of saturated aqueous sodium potassium tartrate at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred vigorously until the two phases were distinctly visible. The layers were separated and the aqueous phase extracted three times with EtOAc. The combined organic phases were washed once with brine and then dried (Na₂SO₄). After filtration and concentration *in vacuo*, the crude material was purified through

flash column chromatography (30% EtOAc/hexanes) to yield a white solid (8.7 g, 94%). Mp: 81–84 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.08 (br s, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (br s, 1H), 7.31–7.24 (m, 3H), 7.20 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.04 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.54–3.45 (m, 1H), 3.28 (dd, *J* = 10.9, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 3.14 (dd, *J* = 10.8, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.53–2.42 (m, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.13– 2.00 (m, 2H), 1.81–1.70 (m, 1H), 1.67 (s, 9H), 1.58–1.45 (m, 1H), 0.99 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.6, 143.5, 135.3, 134.8, 129.7, 129.1, 127.6, 125.0, 124.6, 122.6, 120.1, 119.0, 115.4, 83.9, 62.6, 62.1, 58.6, 44.9, 33.0, 29.7, 28.0, 21.6, 10.8; IR (film) 3547, 2978, 2916, 2875, 1722, 1453, 1372, 1254, 1152, 1087 cm⁻¹; HRMS–ESI (*m*/*z*) [M + H]⁺ calcd C₂₇H₃₄N₂O₅SH, 499.2267, found 499.2273; [α]^{24.0}_D +123.8° (*c* = 1.000, CHCl₃).



Amino Alcohol S3. The alcohol S2 (1.0 g, 20 mmol, 1 equiv) was dissolved in freshly distilled THF (7 mL) and then the homogeneous solution was diluted with freshly distilled MeOH (63 mL). Powdered Mg (980 mg, 40 mmol, 20 equiv) was added and then the flask was capped with a reflux condenser and placed under a positive pressure of Ar. The heterogeneous reaction mixture was sonicated for 30 min and then a second aliquot of Mg powder (980 mg, 40 mmol, 20 equiv) was added and sonication continued for another 30 min. The reaction was monitored (TLC) after each period of sonication. If starting material remained, then another 20 equiv of Mg was added and then the reaction mixture was sonicated for another 30 min (typically, the reaction was complete after 2–4 additions of Mg). Once the starting material had been consumed, the mixture was cooled to 0 °C and the reaction quenched through the dropwise addition of 2 M HCl_(aq) until all of the solid Mg had dissolved to form a homogeneous solution, which was transferred to a separatory funnel. The aqueous phase was extracted five times with EtOAc; the combined organic phases were washed once with water then once with a saturated NaHCO₃. The organic phase was washed with brine and dried (Na₂SO₄). After filtration and concentration in vacuo, the resulting brown oil (crude amino alcohol S3) was used in the next step without purification. Alternatively, S3 could be purified through flash column chromatography (5% Et_3N in 35% EtOAc/hexanes) to give analytically pure material, isolated as a dark oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.15 (br s, 1H), 7.59 (s, 1H), 7.47 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (d, J = 6.25 Hz, 1H), 3.33 (dd, J = 10.56, 3.25 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (dd, J = 10.6, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.13 (app

quint, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 2.60–2.53 (m, 1H), 2.34 (dt, J = 13.0, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 1.72–1.59 (m, 4H), 1.67 (s, 9H), 1.00 (t, J = 7.46 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.6, 135.6, 129.2, 124.4, 122.4, 122.3, 120.0, 118.9, 115.3, 83.6, 64.5, 58.6, 58.3, 41.4, 33.6, 28.7, 28.1, 11.5; IR (film) 3393, 3324, 2969, 2928, 2875, 1731, 1453, 1372, 1250, 1152, 1087 cm⁻¹; HRMS–ESI (m/z) [M + H]⁺ calcd C₂₀H₂₈N₂O₃H, 345.2178, found 345.2166; [α]^{23.9}_D +72.6° (c = 1.000, CHCl₃).



Chloroamide 17. The crude residue S3 from the detosylation was dissolved in THF (7 mL) and placed under a positive pressure of Ar. Et₃N (279 µL, 2.00 mmol, 1 equiv) was added and then the reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C. Chloroacetyl chloride (159 μ L, 2.00 mmol, 1 equiv) was added dropwise over 5 min. The mixture was stirred at 0 °C until the starting material had been consumed (30 min, as determined by TLC) and then the reaction was quenched through the addition of saturated NH₄Cl_(a0). The layers were separated and the aqueous phase extracted three times with EtOAc. The combined organic phases were washed with brine and dried (Na₂SO₄). After filtration and concentration in vacuo, the crude material was purified through flash column chromatography (30%-50% EtOAc/hexanes) to yield a white solid (699 mg, 83% over two steps). Mp: 168–169 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.13 (br s, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 7.85 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (s, 1H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.96-3.88 (m, 2H), 3.67 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 3.40-3.28 (m, 2H), 2.79-2.61 (m, 2H), 2.3 (app quint, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 1.68 (s, 9H), 1.53 (q, J = 12.1 Hz, 1H), 1.50–1.30 (m, 1H), 1.00 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.9, 149.4, 135.2, 129.0, 125.2, 124.3, 123.0, 119.1, 118.9, 115.5, 84.5, 62.1, 60.8, 56.7, 45.5, 42.7, 32.0, 28.2, 27.3, 10.9; IR (film) 3454, 2985, 2965, 2921, 2879, 1735, 1653, 1458, 1376, 1258, 1147 cm⁻¹; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M + H]⁺ calcd C₂₂H₂₉ClN₂O₄H, 421.1894, found 421.1862; $[\alpha]^{23.9}_{D}$ +21.0° (*c* = 1.000, CHCl₃).



Bisacylation Product S4. During some trials of the acylation reaction, the bis-acylation product **S4** was isolated as a white solid. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (br s, 1H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (s, 1H), 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.49 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.00–3.83 (m, 5H), 3.74 (dd, *J* = 10.9, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (d, *J* = 12.6, 1H), 2.94–2.82 (m, 1H), 2.74–2.62 (m, 1H), 2.34 (app quint, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 1.69 (s, 9H), 1.66–1.54 (m, 1H), 1.48–1.35 (m, 1H), 1.02 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.7, 165.8, 149.3, 135.1, 128.7, 125.4, 124.4, 123.0, 118.3, 118.2, 115.8, 84.7, 65.3, 60.6, 56.2, 42.6, 41.8, 40.6, 32.1, 28.2, 27.3, 10.9; IR (film) 2978, 2932, 2879, 1735, 1661, 1453, 1368, 1258, 1152 cm⁻¹; HRMS-ESI (*m*/*z*) [M + H]⁺ calcd C₂₄H₃₀Cl₂N₂O₅H, 497.1610, found 497.1601.



Cleavage of the O-Acetate. The bis-acylation product **S4** (50.0 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1 equiv) was dissolved in freshly distilled MeOH (1 mL) and cooled to 0 °C. K_2CO_3 (138 mg, 1.00 mmol, 10 equiv) was added and then the heterogeneous mixture was stirred at 0 °C until the starting material had been consumed (10 min, as determined by TLC). The mixture was poured into water and extracted three times with EtOAc. The combined organic phases were washed with brine and then dried (Na₂SO₄). After filtration and concentration *in vacuo*, the crude material was purified through flash column chromatography (50% EtOAc/hexanes) to yield **17** (42 mg, quantitative) as a white solid, with spectroscopic data consistent with those for compound **17** isolated from the selective N-acylation of **S3**.



Aldehyde S5. Freshly distilled DCM (45 mL) was added to a flame-dried round-bottom flask under a positive pressure of Ar. DMSO (895 μ L, 11.5 mmol, 3.5 equiv) was added and the solution cooled to -78 °C. 2 M oxalyl chloride in DCM (4.94 mL, 9.88 mmol, 3 equiv) was added dropwise and then the mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 20 min. A solution of the alcohol **17** (1.39 g, 3.29 mmol, 1 equiv) in freshly distilled DCM was then added to the mixture over 5 min. The solution was stirred at -78 °C for

20 min and then Et₃N (2.3 mL, 16.5 mmol, 5 equiv) was added. The cooling bath was removed and the reaction monitored (TLC) until the starting material had been consumed (5–10 min). The reaction was quenched through the addition of water and then the phases were separated. The aqueous phase was extracted twice with DCM. The combined organic phases were washed with brine and then dried (Na₂SO₄). After filtration and concentration *in vacuo*, the crude material was purified through flash column chromatography (50% EtOAc/hexane) to yield a white solid (1.35 g, 98%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.22 (s, 1H), 8.12 (br s, 1H), 7.54 (s, 1H), 7.50 (br s, 1H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.75 (br s, 1H), 4.08–4.00 (m, 1H), 3.89 (d, *J* = 11.5 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (d, *J* = 11.5 Hz, 1H), 3.40–3.31 (m, 1H), 2.61 (br s, 1H), 2.37 (app quint, *J* = 7 Hz, 1H), 2.27–2.13 (m, 1H), 1.68 (s, 9H), 1.50 (br s, 1H), 1.05 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.6, 165.7, 149.3, 135.4, 127.7, 125.6, 124.2, 123.4, 118.3, 118.0, 115.8, 84.8, 60.6, 55.4, 54.1, 42.5, 29.6, 28.1, 27.5, 10.9; IR (film) 3055, 2978, 2936, 2879, 2835, 2741, 1726, 1661, 1453, 1372, 1254, 1152 cm⁻¹; MS–MALDI-TOF (*m*/*z*) [M + Na]⁺ calcd C₂₂H₂₇ClN₂O₄Na, 441.1557, found 441.0644; [α]^{23.8} – 77.4° (*c* = 1.000, CHCl₃).



a,*β*-Unsaturated Ester 18. Freshly distilled THF (1.5 mL) and methyl diethylphosphonoacetate (55.2 mg, 0.26 mmol, 1.1 equiv) were added to a flame-dried round-bottom flask under a positive pressure of Ar. The solution was cooled to -78 °C and then NaHMDS (239 µL, 0.240 mmol, 1 equiv) was added. The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 30 min and then a solution of the aldehyde **S5** (100 mg, 0.240 mmol, 1 equiv) in freshly distilled THF (1 mL) was added. The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 5 min, at which point the starting material had been consumed (TLC). The reaction was quenched through the addition of saturated NH₄Cl_(aq); the layers were separated and the aqueous phase extracted three times with EtOAc. The combined organic phases were washed with brine and dried (Na₂SO₄). After filtration and concentration *in vacuo*, the crude material was purified through flash column chromatography (25% EtOAc/hexanes) to yield a white solid (86 mg, 76%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.1 (br s, 1H), 7.47 (s, 1H), 7.39–7.30 (m, 2H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.33 (dd, *J* = 15.5, 9.0 Hz, 1H), 5.92 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 5.43 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.01–3.93 (m, 1H), 3.89 (d, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (d, *J* = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 3.55 (s, 3H), 3.33–3.21 (m, 1H), 2.76–2.63 (m, 1H), 2.29 (app quint, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 1.80 (q, *J* = 11.9 Hz, 1H), 1.68 (s, 9H), 1.51–1.40 (m, 1H), 1.01 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.9, 165.8, 149.4, 145.6, 135.4, 128.4, 125.2, 124.3, 123.2, 122.9, 119.2, 118.6, 115.5, 84.5, 61.0, 58.6, 51.5, 165.8, 149.4, 145.6, 135.4, 125.2, 124.3, 123.2, 122.9, 119.2, 118.6, 115.5, 84.5, 61.0, 58.6, 51.5, 155.

46.0, 42.5, 35.0, 28.2, 27.4, 10.9; IR (film) 2969, 2932, 2879, 1735, 1653, 1458, 1376, 1254, 1147 cm⁻¹; HRMS–ESI (*m*/*z*) [M + H]⁺ calcd C₂₅H₃₁ClN₂O₅H, 475.2000, found 475.1994.



Iodoamide 14. The N-Boc-protected indole 18 (85 mg, 0.179 mmol, 1 equiv) was dissolved in freshly distilled toluene (2 mL). Silica gel (85 mg) was added and then the mixture was heated under reflux until the starting material had been consumed (TLC; typically 2-3 h). The mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered through a glass frit. The silica gel was washed three times with EtOAc. The solution obtained was concentrated *in vacuo* to give S6 as a dark oil, which was used in the next reaction Alternatively, the crude material could be purified through flash column without purification. chromatography (20%–40% EtOAc/hexanes) to yield analytically pure S6 as a white solid. Mp: 152–153 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.52 (br s, 1H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (dd, J = 15.5, 9.1 Hz, 1H), 5.93 (dd, J = 15.5, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 5.51 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 4.02-3.96 (m, 1H), 3.96 (d, J = 12.7 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (d, J = 12.7 Hz, 1H),J = 12.7 Hz, 1H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 3.31–3.20 (m, 1H), 2.79–2.68 (m, 1H), 2.28 (app quint, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 1.79 (q, J = 12.1 Hz, 1H), 1.49–1.37 (m, 1H), 1.01 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.1, 166.0, 146.5, 136.4, 125.7, 122.9, 122.8, 122.7, 120.1, 118.9, 113.5, 111.6, 60.9, 59.3, 51.5, 46.4, 42.6, 35.2, 27.5, 11.0; IR (film) 3291, 3059, 2969, 2932, 2879, 1718, 1649, 1458, 1421, 1262, 1233, 137 cm^{-1} ; HRMS-ESI (*m*/*z*) [M + H]⁺ calcd C₂₀H₂₃ClN₂O₃H, 375.1476, found 375.1472.

The crude material **S6** was dissolved in acetone (3 mL). NaI (255 mg, 1.79 mmol, 10 equiv) was added and then the mixture was heated under reflux for 2 h, at which point the starting material had been consumed (determined from the NMR spectrum of a removed aliquot). The mixture was poured into water and extracted three times with EtOAc. The combined organic phases were washed with brine and dried (Na₂SO₄). After filtration and concentration *in vacuo*, the crude material was purified through flash column chromatography (20%–40% EtOAc/hexanes) to yield the iodoamide **14** (78.6 mg, 94% over two steps) as a light-yellow oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.61 (br s, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (dd, *J* = 15.6, 9.1 Hz, 1H), 5.94 (d, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1H), 5.49 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.95–3.86 (m, 1H), 3.57 (s, 3H),

3.48 (s, 2H), 3.32–3.21 (m, 1H), 2.78–2.66 (m, 1H), 2.30–2.22 (m, 1H), 1.84–1.75 (m, 1H), 1.50–1.34 (m, 1H), 1.00 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.5, 166.2, 146.6, 136.4, 125.9, 122.8, 122.8, 122.7, 120.1, 118.9, 113.6, 111.6, 61.2, 60.6, 51.5, 46.1, 35.4, 27.6, 11.0, –0.5; IR (film) 3288, 3053, 2964, 2932, 2875, 1718, 1629, 1431, 1232, 739 cm⁻¹; HRMS–ESI (m/z) [M + H]⁺ calcd C₂₀H₂₃IN₂O₃H, 467.0832, found 467.0818; [α]^{23.9}_D+77.4° (c = 1.000, CHCl₃).



Spirocyclic Indolenine 13. The iodoamide 14 (20.0 mg, 0.428 mmol, 1 equiv) was dissolved in freshly distilled toluene (8 mL) and placed under a positive pressure of Ar. Et₃N (112 µL, 0.856 mmol, 2 equiv) was added and the solution cooled to 0 °C. Silver trifluoromethanesulfonate (206 mg, 0.856 mmol, 2 equiv) was added as a solid in a single portion and then the mixture was removed from the ice bath and warmed to room temperature. Once the starting material had been consumed (TLC; typically within 30 min), the mixture was filtered through a short pad of Celite, which was rinsed three times with EtOAc. The solution was transferred to a separatory funnel and washed with a 1:1 solution of saturated NaHCO_{3(a0)} and saturated Na₂S₂O₃ and then with brine. The organic phase was dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered, and concentrated in vacuo to yield the crude spirocyclic indolenine 13 as a dark oil, which was used for the next reaction without purification. Alternatively, the crude material could be purified through flash column chromatography (5% Et₃N in 35% EtOAc/hexanes) to yield the analytically pure spirocyclic indolenine **13** as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.23 (s, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (td, J = 7.4, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.52 (dd, J = 15.4, 8.9)Hz, 1H), 5.47 (dd, J = 15.6, 1.1Hz, 1H), 4.64 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.57–3.49 (m, 1H), 3.04 (dd, J = 16.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 2.82–2.67 (m, 2H), 2.48 (d, J = 16.6 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (dt, J = 13.0, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 1.76 (app quint, J = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 1.69–1.58 (m, 1H), 0.99 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 172.2, 169.0, 165.7, 155.2, 144.2, 136.7, 129.1, 126.9, 122.8, 121.8, 121.3, 70.0, 61.7, 57.2, 51.7, 42.9, 39.8, 39.2, 25.1, 11.1; IR (film) 3041, 2973, 2948, 2883, 2846, 1718, 1682, 1641, 1548, 1442, 1415, 1273 cm⁻¹; HRMS–ESI (m/z) [M + H] calcd C₂₀H₂₂N₂O₃H, 339.1709, found 339.1718; $[\alpha]^{23.8}$ _D $+245.8^{\circ}$ (*c* = 1.000, CHCl₃).

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Diene S7. DBU (24.3 µL, 0.162 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added to a solution of the spirocyclic indolenine **13** (38.0 mg, 0.112 mmol, 1 equiv) in toluene (2 mL) and then the homogeneous mixture was stirred for 60 h. The resulting mixture was diluted with EtOAc and washed with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl. The organic phase was dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated *in vacuo*; the crude residue was purified using preparatory TLC (EtOAc/hexanes, 1:1) to give a light-yellow solid (19.4 mg, 51%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.37 (br s, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (s, 1H), 7.21 (td, *J* = 7.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (dd, *J* = 7.1, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (s, 1H), 5.63 (d, *J* = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 4.56–4.47 (m, 1H), 3.89 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.83 (dd, *J* = 15.5, 10.5 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (dd, *J* = 15.9, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.93–1.83 (m, 1H), 1.66–1.56 (m, 1H), 0.83 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.8, 167.6, 138.5, 136.1, 134.5, 126.9, 122.5, 122.3, 121.3, 119.7, 118.6, 115.7, 111.2, 108.2, 59.8, 51.4, 32.5, 32.0, 26.1, 8.3; IR (film) 3328, 3104, 3059, 2957, 2879, 1701, 1661, 1612, 1596, 1421, 1156, 732 cm⁻¹; MS–MALDI-TOF [M + Na]⁺ (*m*/*z*) calcd C₂₀H₂₂N₂O₃Na, 361.1528, found 361.1049.



Pentacycle 19. Trimethylphosphine (55 µL, 0.536 mmol, 10 equiv) was added to a solution of the crude spirocyclic indolenine **13** (18.13 mg, 0.0536 mmol, 1 equiv) in freshly distilled benzene (700 µL) and MeOH (50 µL). The mixture was stirred at room temperature until the starting material had been consumed (2 h, as determined by TLC). Once complete, the mixture was concentrated and purified through flash column chromatography (EtOAc/hexanes, 1:1) to yield a white solid (14.6 mg, 80% over two steps). Mp: 149–153 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.17 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.53 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (br s, 1H), 4.44 (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (s, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.53 (t, *J* = 9.7 Hz, 1H), 3.02 (dd, *J* = 16.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (d, *J* = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 3.73–3.66 (m, 1H), 2.60 (dt, *J* = 17.4, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.48–2.39 (m, 1H), 2.02 (d, *J* = 13.5 Hz, 1H), 1.16–1.05 (m, 1H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ

169.3, 166.7, 149.8, 141.0, 130.2, 129.1, 128.6, 122.8, 118.4, 109.1, 67.1, 60.4, 54.7, 53.5, 52.2, 49.3, 38.1, 33.3, 24.3, 10.8; IR (film) 3401, 3051, 2965, 2879, 1678, 1608, 1490, 1482, 1416, 1254, 1095, 911, 732 cm⁻¹; HRMS–ESI (m/z) [M + H]⁺ calcd C₂₀H₂₂N₂O₃H, 339.1709, found 339.1707; [α]^{23.9}_D +181.0° (c = 1.000, CHCl₃).



Thioamide S8. A solution of the pentacycle 19 (20.0 mg, 0.0590 mmol, 1 equiv) in freshly distilled benzene (2 mL) was placed under a positive pressure of Ar. Lawesson's reagent (14.3 mg, 0.0350 mmol, 0.6 equiv) was added and then the mixture was heated under reflux. The reaction was closely monitored (TLC) until the starting material had been consumed (typically 1 h; continued heating under reflux after consumption of the starting material decreased the yields). The mixture was poured into water and the phases separated. The aqueous phase was extracted three times with EtOAc. The combined organic phases were washed successively with water and brine and then dried (Na_2SO_4) . After filtration and concentration in vacuo, the crude material was purified through flash column chromatography (25% EtOAc/hexanes) to yield a yellow solid (19.1 mg, 91%). Mp: 222–224 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.10 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (td, J = 7.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.90–6.86 (m, 1H), 6.69 (td, J = 7.5, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.52 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 4.71 (d, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (br s, 1H), 4.35 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.78 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (br s, 1H), 4.35 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.78 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (br s, 1H), 4.35 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.78 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (br s, 1H), 4.35 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.78 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (br s, 1H), 4.35 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.78 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (br s, 1H), 4.35 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.78 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (br s, 1H), 4.35 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.78 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (br s, 1H), 4.35 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 2H), 3.78 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (br s, 1H), 4.55 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 2H), 3.78 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (br s, 1H), 4.55 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 2H), 3.78 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (br s, 1H), 4.55 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 2H), 3.78 (s, 2H), 3.78 (s, 2H), 3.78 (s, 2H), 3.81 (s, 2H), 3.89.6 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (d, J = 17.4 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (dd, J = 17.4, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 3.04–2.94 (m, 1H), 2.82–2.77 (m, 1H), 2.73 (dt, J = 13.4, 8.5 Hz, 1H), 2.19 (d, J = 13.5 Hz, 1H), 1.09–0.98 (m, 1H), 0.87 (t, 7.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.1, 166.4, 149.7, 139.5, 131.3, 129.2, 126.4, 122.5, 118.2, 109.0, 72.9, 65.8, 59.2, 57.7, 52.1, 50.8, 38.0, 32.9, 22.6, 10.6; IR (film) 3275, 3047, 2965, 2936, 2899, 2875, 2855, 1711, 1498, 1482, 1250, 1091 cm⁻¹; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M + H]⁺ calcd C₂₀H₂₂N₂O₂SH, 355.1480, found 355.1486; $[\alpha]^{22.6}_{D}$ +235.8° (*c* = 1.000, CHCl₃).



Dihydroibophyllidine (20). A suspension of Raney Ni [Raney Ni 4200 (Aldrich)] in water was added to a solution of the thioamide S8 (31.1 mg, 0.088 mmol, 1 equiv.) in freshly distilled THF (1 mL). The mixture was placed in a high-pressure reaction vessel, which was then sealed. The reactor was purged with H_2 gas (pressurized to 50 psi with H_2 gas, followed by release of the pressure) three times and then pressurized to 200 psi with H_2 gas. The mixture was stirred vigorously (to keep the Raney Ni suspended) for 2 h, at which point the starting material had been consumed (1 h, as determined by TLC). The mixture was decanted from the solid Raney Ni into a separatory funnel containing brine. The solids were rinsed three times with EtOAc; these washings were added to the separatory funnel. The layers were separated and the aqueous phase was extracted twice more with EtOAc. The combined organic phases were washed with brine and dried (Na₂SO₄). After filtration and concentration of the volatiles, dihydroibophyllidine (20, 28.4 mg, 99%) was isolated as a colorless oil that required no further purification. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.18 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (td, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (td, J = 7.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (br s, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.65 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (br s, 10.3 Hz, 10.3 Hz, 10.3 Hz)3.29 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 2.97–2.86 (m, 1H), 2.62–2.45 (m, 3H), 2.39–2.20 (m, 2H), 2.10–1.90 (m, 3H), 1.82–1.69 (m, 1H), 1.51–1.32 (m, 3H), 0.95 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.2, 148.7, 134.6, 127.7, 122.6, 118.8, 109.2, 72.6, 68.0, 61.6, 51.8, 51.4, 46.4, 45.9, 45.4, 40.0, 33.6, 31.8, 26.6, 11.4; IR (film) 3389, 3051, 2957, 2928, 2868, 2782, 1726, 1462 cm⁻¹; HRMS-ESI (m/z) [M + H]⁺ calcd C₂₀H₂₆N₂O₂H, 327.2072, found 327.2067; $[\alpha]^{22.2}_{D}$ +101.6° (*c* = 1.000, CDCl₃).



(+)-**Ibophyllidine** (1). The Dess–Martin periodinane (12 mg, 1.1 equiv) was added to a solution of the dihydroibophyllidine (20, 8.4 mg, 0.026 mmol, 1 equiv) in DCM (2 mL) and then the mixture was stirred for 5 min. The reaction was quenched through the addition of a 1:1 solution of saturated NaHCO_{3(aq)} and saturated Na₂S₂O_{3(aq)}. The mixture was diluted with EtOAc and the phases separated. The aqueous phase was extracted twice more with EtOAc and then the combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude residue was passed through a short pad of basic alumina and eluted with Et₂O. The NMR spectrum of the crude product revealed that some starting material remained. The crude product was redissolved in DCM and then a second aliquot of the Dess–

Martin periodinane (8 mg, 0.019 mmol, 0.73 equiv) was added. The mixture was stirred for 5 min and then worked up as before to yield (+)-ibophyllidine (**1**, 4.2 mg, 51%) as a thin film. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.13 (br s, 1H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.49 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 3.25–3.13 (m, 2H), 3.11 (dd, *J* = 15.5, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (app q, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 2.29–2.22 (m, 1H), 2.21–2.11 (m, 2H), 2.07–1.96 (m, 1H), 1.94–1.85 (m, 1H), 1.81 (dd, *J* = 15.3, 11.2 Hz, 1H), 1.61–1.51 (m, 1H) 1.32–1.22 (m, 1H), 1.03 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 168.7, 165.2, 143.2, 138.8, 127.7, 123.2, 121.3, 108.8, 92.1, 75.7, 65.8, 55.9, 51.0, 47.8, 41.4, 37.9, 34.9, 31.9, 25.7, 12.5; IR (film) 3377, 2957, 2925, 2863, 1674, 1608, 1466, 1437, 1282, 1246 cm⁻¹; HRMS–ESI (*m*/*z*) [M + H]⁺ calcd C₂₀H₂₄N₂O₂H, 325.1916, found 325.1905; [α]^{24.3}_D+140° (*c* = 1.000, CHCl₃).

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¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra



S19







S21



S22



S23

Et $Ts-N$ $CO_{2}Et$ Boc 11	
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S31





S33







S36



S37









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S45





S47









S51



NOESY spectrum of pyrrolidine 11



SFC traces for racemic pyrroline 16 and optically active pyrroline 16

Racemic 16 was prepared according to the general procedure described in reference 13a of the manuscript.



16 (racemic)



CHROMATOGRAM METHOD REPORT :

Acquisition : System : UCLA SFC USER Project : SFC USER Run Name : ian racemic16_ Run Id. : 2 Run Time : 15.00 Scale : Autoscale Vial : 1 Rack : 0 Divisor factor : 1.00 Multiplipiler factor : 1.00 Analysis : Sample Injection volume : 5.00 Sample mass : 0.00

Run Log :

Injection occured at 11/14/2011 12:10:17 PM

DAD [Agilent G1315A/B Diode Array Detector] HP1100 G1315A Events occurred 11/14/2011 12:09:07 PM Event 108 (Status change to Not Ready) 11/14/2011 12:09:07 PM Event 121 (Unknown Event) 11/14/2011 12:09:07 PM Event 122 (Unknown Event) 11/14/2011 12:09:07 PM Event 109 (Status change to Ready) 11/14/2011 12:09:12 PM Event 202 (Home parameters modified) 11/14/2011 12:09:26 PM Event 203 (Sysvar modified) 11/14/2011 12:09:26 PM Event 108 (Status change to Not Ready) 11/14/2011 12:09:26 PM Event 108 (Status change to Not Ready) 11/14/2011 12:09:33 PM Event 109 (Status change to Not Ready) 11/14/2011 12:09:33 PM Event 7200 (Balance started) 11/14/2011 12:09:33 PM Event 7090 (Device idle) 11/14/2011 12:10:17 PM Event 104 (Status change to Run) 11/14/2011 12:10:26 PM Event 1039 (Unknown Event)

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		[Min]	[Min]	[Min]	[Min]	[% Area]	[µV]	[µV.Min]	[%]
1	UNKNOWN	6.98	7.11	7.37	0.00	0.35	1.4	0.1	0.350
2	UNKNOWN	8.06	8.49	9.12	0.00	99.65	115.6	33.2	99.650
Total						100.00	117.0	33.3	100.000

CHROMATOGRAM METHOD REPORT :

Acquisition : System : UCLA SFC USER Project : SFC USER Run Name : ian 10% Run Id. : 19 Run Time : 15.00 Scale : Autoscale Vial : 2 Rack : 0 Divisor factor : 1.00 Multiplipiler factor : 1.00 Analysis : Sample Injection volume : 5.00 Sample mass : 0.00

Run Log :

Injection occured at 11/14/2011 1:00:31 PM

DAD [Agilent G1315A/B Diode Array Detector] HP1100 G1315A Events occurred 11/14/2011 12:59:21 PM Event 108 (Status change to Not Ready) 11/14/2011 12:59:21 PM Event 121 (Unknown Event) 11/14/2011 12:59:21 PM Event 122 (Unknown Event) 11/14/2011 12:59:21 PM Event 129 (Status change to Ready) 11/14/2011 12:59:27 PM Event 202 (Home parameters modified) 11/14/2011 12:59:27 PM Event 201 (Sysvar modified) 11/14/2011 12:59:40 PM Event 201 (Sysvar modified) 11/14/2011 12:59:40 PM Event 108 (Status change to Not Ready) 11/14/2011 12:59:40 PM Event 109 (Status change to Not Ready) 11/14/2011 12:59:47 PM Event 109 (Status change to Ready) 11/14/2011 12:59:47 PM Event 1090 (Device idle) 11/14/2011 12:59:47 PM Event 1090 (Device idle) 11/14/2011 1:00:31 PM Event 104 (Status change to Run) 11/14/2011 1:00:31 PM Event 103 (Unknown Event)



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CHROMATOGRAM METHOD REPORT :

Acquisition : System : UCLA SFC USER Project : SFC USER Run Name : ianscale5_ Run Id. : 1 Run Time : 15.00 Scale : Autoscale Vial : 1 Rack : 0 Divisor factor : 1.00 Multipliplier factor : 1.00 Analysis : Sample Injection volume : 5.00 Sample mass : 0.00

Run Log :

Injection occured at 12/12/2011 6:41:26 PM

PUMP [Berger FCM-1100/1200 Fluid Control Module] System not ready; Pressure not ready Pressure ready Device is ready.

DAD [Agilent G1315A/B Diode Array Detector] HP1100 G1315A Events occurred 12/12/2011 6:39:36 PM Event 108 (Status change to Not Ready) 12/12/2011 6:39:36 PM Event 121 (Unknown Event) 12/12/2011 6:39:36 PM Event 122 (Unknown Event) 12/12/2011 6:39:36 PM Event 109 (Status change to Ready) 12/12/2011 6:39:41 PM Event 202 (Home parameters modified) 12/12/2011 6:39:43 PM Event 201 (Sysvar modified) 12/12/2011 6:40:35 PM Event 108 (Status change to Not Ready) 12/12/2011 6:40:36 PM Event 7200 (Balance started) 12/12/2011 6:40:41 PM Event 109 (Status change to Ready)