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Exploring the synthetic potential of a marine transaminase in the enantioselective synthesis of amines with stereocontrol at both the site of reaction and a remote stereocentre

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## 1. Synthesis and characterisation of substrates

### 1.1 General Procedures

All enzymatic reactions were performed on a VWR Incubating Mini Shaker 4450. Infrared spectra were recorded neat using a Perkin-Elmer FTIR UATR2 spectrometer. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}(300 \mathrm{MHz})$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}(75.5 \mathrm{MHz})$ NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance 300 NMR spectrometer. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}(400 \mathrm{MHz})$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}(100 \mathrm{MHz})$ NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker 400 MHz NMR spectrometer. ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}(500 \mathrm{MHz})$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}(125 \mathrm{MHz})$ NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance III 500 NMR spectrometer. All spectra were recorded at 300 K , the chemical shifts $\left(\delta_{H} \& \delta_{C}\right)$ are reported in parts per million ( ppm ) and coupling constants are expressed in hertz (Hz). Splitting patterns in ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra are designated as s (singlet), bs (broad singlet), $d$ (doublet), dd (doublet of doublets), ddd (doublet of doublet of doublets), $t$ (triplets), $d t$ (doublet of triplets), td (triplet of doublets), ddt (doublet of doublet of triplets), and m (multiplet). ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra were referenced to tetramethylsilane (TMS) as an internal standard, at $\delta_{H} 0 \mathrm{ppm} .{ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra were calibrated using the solvent signal, i.e., $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3} \delta_{\mathrm{c}} 77.0 \mathrm{ppm}$. High-resolution (precise) mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a Waters LCT Premier Time of Flight (Tof) LC-MS instrument in electrospray ionization (ESI) mode using $50 \%$ acetonitrile-water containing $0.1 \%$ formic acid as eluent. High-resolution (precise) mass spectra (HRMS) were also recorded on an Agilent 6530B Accurate Mass Q-TOF LC/MS instrument in electrospray ionization mode using $50 \%$ acetonitrile-water containing $0.1 \%$ formic acid as eluent. Samples were prepared for HRMS by employing acetonitrile as solvent. Melting points were obtained using a Unimelt Thomas-Hoover capillary melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. Flash column chromatography was carried out using Kieselgel silica gel 60, 0.035-0.075 mm (Merck). Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was carried out on precoated silica gel plates (Merck 60 PF254). Visualization was achieved by UV ( 254 nm ) light absorption and potassium permanganate staining. Enantiomeric excess values were measured by high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) on a Waters alliance 2690 separations module with a PDA detector, using a Chiralcel ${ }^{\circledR}$ OD-H, OJ-H, AS-H column ( $5 \times 250 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) purchased from Daicel Chemical Industries, Japan or Phenomenex Cellulose 2, Cellulose 4, Amylose 1 column ( $5 \times 250 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) purchased from Phenomenex Inc., UK. Mobile phase, flow rate and detector wavelength are included where appropriate with column temperature set at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise stated. When only a single enantiomer was detected, the enantiomeric excess is quoted as $>99 \%$. Samples for chiral HPLC analysis were prepared at a concentration of $\sim 1 \mathrm{mg} / \mathrm{mL}$; in each case, all of the enzymatic reaction product was dissolved in 90:10 hexane: IPA to a concentration of $1 \mathrm{mg} / \mathrm{mL}$ to ensure a representative sample was taken for analysis.

### 1.2 Synthesis of ketone compounds

Most of the ketones used for this work were synthesized from commercially available unsaturated carboxylic acid derivatives by reaction with the appropriate arenes in the presence of the strong Bronsted acid, triflic acid (Scheme 1). ${ }^{1-6}$ Both 3-phenyltetralone $\mathbf{2 h}$ and 4-benzyltetralone $\mathbf{2 f}$ were accessed in good yield through cyclisation of the corresponding acid in polyphosphoric acid at $120^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ as previously reported (Scheme 2). ${ }^{7,8}$ 9-Phenylbenzosuber-5-one $\mathbf{2 m}$ was synthesized by cyclisation of the acid chloride, as previously described, ${ }^{9,10}$ using a Friedel-Crafts cyclisation without isolation of the intermediate acid chloride (Scheme 3).


Scheme 1: Synthetic route to various ketones from the corresponding unsaturated carboxylic acid.


$2 f$

2h


Scheme 3: Synthesis of the acid chloride followed by a Friedel-Crafts cyclisation to yield $\mathbf{2 m}$.

To generate the 6-methoxy tetralone 2d, phenylmagnesium bromide was added to 7-methoxytetral-1-one to synthesis naphthol 3, which was then dehydrated to form naphthalene 4, followed by hydrogenation to the saturated naphthalene $\mathbf{5}$ with subsequent benzylic oxidation using $\mathrm{CrO}_{3}$ in $\mathrm{AcOH} / \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ affording the desired 6 -methoxy-4-phenyl-1-tetralone 2d (Scheme 4). ${ }^{11}$


Scheme 4: 4-step synthetic route from 7-methoxytetral-1-one to form 2d.

## General Method A - Ketone Synthesis

Triflic acid (5 eq) was slowly added to a solution of trans-styrylacetic acid (1 eq) and arene (1 eq) in dichloromethane under a nitrogen atmosphere at $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Subsequently the mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight. The mixture was poured onto ice, extracted with dichloromethane ( $\times 3$ ), dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The pure product was afforded by flash column chromatography (hexane:EtOAc 95:5), followed by recrystallization from hexane.

## General Method B - Ketone Synthesis/Cyclisation with PPA

Phenylbutanoic acid ( 1 eq ) and polyphosphoric acid ( $200 \mathrm{wt} \%$ ) were heated to $120^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and stirred for 3 h. After allowing to cool to room temperature, $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ were added to dissolve the mixture. The two layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted two more times with $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. The combined organic layers were washed with $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ and brine, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure.


5,8-Dimethyl-4-phenyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1(2H)-one $\mathbf{2 b}^{2}$ was prepared from $p$-xylene according to general method A to give a white solid ( $0.419 \mathrm{~g}, 56 \%$ ); m.p.: $73-74^{\circ}{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} . v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2931 (CH), 1678 (C=O), 1452 (CH), 1264 (CH), 836 (C=C); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ): 7.32 - 7.14 (m, 5H, ArH), 7.11 (d, J $=7.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}$ ), $7.06-6.92(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.53-4.40(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.68\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 2.59-2.38(\mathrm{~m}$, $3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.29-2.19\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right)$, $2.07\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 200.8, 144.4, 142.1, 139.2, 134.8, 134.6, 132.2, 131.1, 128.6, 128.4, 126.6, 41.9, 35.4, 30.5, 23.6, 19.6; enantiomers separated using a Phenomenex Cellulose 4 column [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH [containing 2\% diethylamine $(D E A)]=90 / 10$, flow rate $\left.=0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right], \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=16.3 \mathrm{~min}, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=18.0 \mathrm{~min}$.


7-Methyl-4-phenyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1(2H)-one $\mathbf{2 c}^{3}$ was prepared from toluene according to general method A to give a white solid ( $0.311 \mathrm{~g}, 44 \%$ ); m.p.: $72-74^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit. $.^{3} 72-74{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). $v_{\max }$ (ATR): 2947 (CH), 1678 (C=O), 1489 (CH), 1280 (C=C), 1177 (CH), 1148 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.92$ (d, J = 2.0, 1H, ArH), $7.36-7.19(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.15-7.05(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.87(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.9,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}$ ), 4.26 (dd, J=8.0, 4.6, 1H, C(4)H), 2.77-2.53(m,2H, C(2) $\left.\mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.51-2.40\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right)$ ), $2.37\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 2.34$ - $2.21\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right)$; $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 198.5,144.1,143.6,136.9,134.7,132.7,129.6$, 128.73, 128.71, 127.3, 126.9, 45.1, 36.9, 32.1, 21.1; enantiomers separated using a Chiralcel AS-H column [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ], $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=29.5$ $\min , R_{t}=31.6 \mathrm{~min}$.


6-Methoxy-4-phenyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1(2H)-one $\mathbf{2 d ~}^{11}$ was prepared by addition of $\mathrm{CrO}_{3}$ (1.125 $\mathrm{g}, 11.25 \mathrm{mmol}, 1.5 \mathrm{eq})$ dissolved in $\mathrm{AcOH}(5 \mathrm{ml})$ and $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(2 \mathrm{ml})$ was to a solution of 7-methoxy-1phenyltetralin ( $1.79 \mathrm{~g}, 7.5 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq}$ ) in $\mathrm{AcOH}(30 \mathrm{ml})$. The mixture was then heated to $80^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and stirred for 3.5 h . EtOH ( 10 ml ) was added to destroy any remaining $\mathrm{CrO}_{3}$. The mixture was basified to $\mathrm{pH}>10$ with 5 M KOH and extracted with EtOAc $(3 \times 50 \mathrm{ml})$. The combined organic layers were washed with sat. aqueous $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}(100 \mathrm{ml}), \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(100 \mathrm{ml})$ and brine $(100 \mathrm{ml})$, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The title product was obtained by flash column chromatography (hexane:EtOAc 9:1) as a colourless oil ( $1.495 \mathrm{~g}, 79 \%$ ). $\mathrm{v}_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 1672 (C=O), 1594 (C=C), 1263 (CH), 1235 (CO); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 8.10(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=8.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(8) \mathrm{H}), 7.40-7.19(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}$, ArH), 7.19 - 7.06 (m, 2H, ArH), 6.87 (dd, $J=8.8,2.6,1 H, C(7) H), 6.43(d d, J=2.6,0.9,1 H, C(5) H), 4.25$ (dd, J = 7.8, 4.5, 1H, C(4)H), $3.73\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OCH}_{3}\right), 2.74-2.36\left(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.36-2.17$ ( $\mathrm{m}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ); $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ): 197.0, 163.9, 148.8, 143.6, 129.8, 128.8, 128.7, 126.9, 126.7, 113.9, 113.4, 77.4, 55.5, 45.7, 36.5, 32.0; enantiomers separated using a Phenomenex Amylose 1 column [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ], $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=$ $18.8 \mathrm{~min}, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=19.9 \mathrm{~min}$.


4-Phenyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1(2H)-one $\mathbf{2} \mathrm{e}^{2,12,13}$ was prepared from benzene according to general method A to give a white solid ( $5.53 \mathrm{~g}, 36 \%$ ) m.p.: 69-72 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit. $.^{12} 70-72{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2917 (CH), 1682 (C=O), 762 (C=C), $702(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 8.12$ (dd, $\left.J=7.6,1.1,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}\right), 7.49-7.19$ (m, 5H, ArH), $7.16-7.06(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.98(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.30[\mathrm{dd}, J=8.0,4.6,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}], 2.81$ - 2.54 [2 $x$ ddd appears as sym $m, C(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ], $2.54-2.38\left[\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ], $2.38-2.20[\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right] ; \delta_{\mathrm{c}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 198.1,146.3,143.7,133.6,132.9,129.6,128.7,128.6,127.13,127.06$, 126.8, 45.3, 36.8, 31.9; enantiomers separated using Chiralcel OJ-H column [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}($ containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA})=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ], $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=22.7 \mathrm{~min} ; 41.2 \mathrm{~min}$ (amine
cis-1e, $R_{t}=23.8 \mathrm{~min}$, does not separate from the ketone $\mathbf{2 e}$ under these conditions; the cis- $\mathbf{1 e}$ peak overlaps with ketone $\mathbf{2 e}$ by chiral HPLC analysis - post biotransformation cis-1e and $\mathbf{2 e}$ are separated on a silica plug using 70:30 hexane:ethyl acetate to elute the ketone $\mathbf{2 e}$ followed by $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ methanol to elute the cis-1e).


4-Benzyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1(2H)-one $\mathbf{2 f}^{8}$ was prepared from 1-benzyl-1-phenylbutanoic acid according to general method B. Flash column chromatography (hexane: $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} 30: 70$ ) afforded a colourless oil ( $1.02 \mathrm{~g}, 61 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 1681 (C=O), 1597 (C=C), 1452 (CH), 1285 ( $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}$ ); $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}(300$ $\mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 8.07 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.6, 1H, ArH), 7.47 (td, J = 7.5, 1.6, 1H, ArH), $7.40-7.12$ (m, 7H, ArH), $3.33-3.18(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 3.13\left(\mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=13.5,5.9,1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{PhCH}_{2}\right), 2.96-2.70\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\mathrm{PhCH}_{2}$ ), $2.58\left(\mathrm{dt}, \mathrm{J}=17.9,5.0,1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.27-2.06\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.04-1.86$ ( $\mathrm{m}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ); $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 198.3,147.5,139.9,133.6,132.1,129.2,128.7,128.5$, 127.5, 127.0, 126.6, 41.4, 40.1, 34.9, 26.2; enantiomers separated using a Phenomenex Amylose 1 column [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ], $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=28.3$ $\min , R_{t}=29.2 \mathrm{~min}$.


3-Phenyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1(2H)-one $\mathbf{2 h}^{7}$ was prepared from 1,2-diphenylbutanoic acid according to general method B. Flash column chromatography (gradient elution, hexane:EtOAc 100:0 to $90: 10$ ) afforded a white solid ( $1.30 \mathrm{~g}, 94 \%$ ); m.p.: $63-64^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit..$^{7} 6{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 1681$ (C=O), $1602(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}), 1455(\mathrm{CH}), 1287(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}) ; \delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 8.09$ (dd, J = 7.8, 1.5, 1H, ArH), 7.52 (td, J = 7.5, 1.5, 1H, ArH), $7.44-7.22(\mathrm{~m}, 7 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 3.56-3.38(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, $\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}), 3.29-3.12\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.99\left(\mathrm{ddd}, \mathrm{J}=16.7,3.9,1.4,1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.84$ (dd, J=16.7, 12.9, 1 H , one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right)$; $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}, 75 \mathrm{MHz}\right)$ : 197.9, 143.6, 143.5, 133.9, 132.3, 129.0, 128.9, 127.4, 127.1, 127.1, 126.8, 46.1, 41.3, 37.8; enantiomers were not separated by chiral HPLC as the corresponding amines $\mathbf{1 h}$ were not processed by $P-\omega-\mathrm{TA}$ or $\mathrm{Cv}-\omega-\mathrm{TA}$.


3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-one $\mathbf{2 j}^{\mathbf{4 - 6}}$ was prepared from trans-cinnamic acid and dichlorobenzene according to general method A to give a white solid ( $8.91 \mathrm{~g}, 63 \%$ ); m.p.: 110-112 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit. ${ }^{14} 113-115{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2919 (CH), 1698 (C=O), 762 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.88-7.77$ (m, 1H, ArH), 7.61 (td, J = 7.5, 1.3, 1H, ArH), 7.53 - 7.41 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.38 (d, J = 8.3, 1H, ArH), $7.29-$ $7.20(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.95(\mathrm{dd}, J=8.3,2.1,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.55[\mathrm{dd}, J=8.2,3.9,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}], 3.23[\mathrm{dd}, J=19.2$, 8.2, 1 H , one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{~B}$ of ABq ], 2.62 [dd, $J=19.2,3.9,1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{~A}$ of ABq$]$; $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 204.9, 156.5, 144.0, 136.8, 135.4, 133.0, 131.2, 130.9, 129.7, 128.4, 127.0, 126.7, 123.7, 46.5, 43.6; enantiomers separated using a Chiralcel OB-H column [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% $D E A)=98 / 2$, flow rate $\left.=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right], R_{t}=72.1 \mathrm{~min}, R_{t}=82.9 \mathrm{~min}$.


3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-one $\mathbf{2} \mathbf{k}^{1,14}$ was prepared from 4-fluorocinnamic acid and benzene according to general method A to give a yellow solid ( $6.20 \mathrm{~g}, 92 \%$ ) m.p. $112-114{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit. ${ }^{14}$ $116-118{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3054 (CH), 1701 (CO), 1507 (C=C), 1219 (CO), 763 (CH); $\delta_{H}(300 \mathrm{MHz}$; $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.81(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=7.7, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.58(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{td}, J=7.5,1.3, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.43(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=7.5, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.30-7.22$ (1H, m, ArH), $7.14-7.04(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.04-6.94(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.57(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=8.2,3.9, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}), 3.23$ ( $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=19.2,8.1$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.64\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=19.2,8.9\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 205.6, $161.8\left(d, J_{C F}=245.9\right), 157.6,139.4\left(d, J_{C F}=3.2\right), 136.7,135.1,129.1\left(d, J_{C F}=8.0\right), 128.0,126.7$, $123.4,115.7\left(d, J_{C F}=21.4\right), 46.9,43.7 ; \delta_{F}\left(282 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : -115.72 ; enantiomers separated using a Chiralcel AS-H [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=1.0 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ], $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}$ $=13.4 \mathrm{~min}, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=24.0 \mathrm{~min}$.


3-Methyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-one $2 \mathbf{I}^{2}$ was prepared from crotonic acid and benzene according to general method A to give an orange oil ( $2.1 \mathrm{~g}, 44 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3288 (CH), 1708 (C=O), 1603 (C=C), 1281 (CO), 1247 (CH), 758 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.78-7.66(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.65-7.55(1 \mathrm{H}$, $\mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.54-7.44(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.42-7.26(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 3.52-3.33(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{CH}), 2.92(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J=$ 19.0, 7.5, 1.3, one of $\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ ), $2.26\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=19.1,3.5,1.3\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 1.40\left(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=7.2,1.2, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)$; $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 206.3,159.9,136.4,134.7,127.4,125.3,123.4,45.3,32.8,21.3$; enantiomers separated using a Chiralcel AS-H column [conditions: $n$-hexane/ PrOH (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $\left.=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right], \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=16.2 \mathrm{~min}, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=20.5 \mathrm{~min}$.


9-Phenyl-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-5H-benzo[7]annulen-5-one $\mathbf{2 m}^{10}$ was prepared from a solution of diethyl 2-(3,3-diphenylpropyl)malonate ( $1.780 \mathrm{~g}, 7 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq}$ ) in $\mathrm{SOCl}_{2}(21 \mathrm{ml})$ that was heated at reflux for $24 \mathrm{~h} . \mathrm{SOCl}_{2}$ was removed under reduced pressure and the crude acid chloride was dissolved in $\mathrm{CS}_{2}(49 \mathrm{ml})$. The solution was slowly added with a syringe pump over 6.5 h to a mixture of $\mathrm{AlCl}_{3}(1.47$ $\mathrm{g}, 11.04 \mathrm{mmol}, 1.59 \mathrm{eq}$, added in three portions of 0.490 g$) \mathrm{in}_{\mathrm{CS}}^{2}(140 \mathrm{ml})$ and heated at reflux. Further portions of $\mathrm{AlCl}_{3}(0.490 \mathrm{~g}, 3.68 \mathrm{mmol}, 0.53 \mathrm{eq}$, each) were added sequentially after 2 , 4 , and 6 h , upon cooling the reaction mixture below reflux for the purposes of the addition in each case. The reaction mixture was heated at reflux for another 16 h and after cooling to room temperature carefully quenched with water. The mixture was filtered through Celite ${ }^{\circledR}$, the two phases were separated and the organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in EtOAc washed with saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ and brine, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. Column chromatography (hexane:EtOAc 90:10) afforded the title product as a white solid ( $0.99 \mathrm{~g}, 60 \%$ ); m.p.: 69-71 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit. ${ }^{10} 71.0-71.5^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2949 (CH), 1670 (C=O), 1595 ( $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}$ ), 1282 ( $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}$ ), 1247 (CH); $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.72-7.60(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.43-7.12(\mathrm{~m}, 7 \mathrm{H}$,

ArH), $6.90-6.77(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.41(\mathrm{dd}, J=10.5,4.4,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(5) \mathrm{H}), 2.90-2.62\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(6) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.44-$ $2.27\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(8) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.27-2.10\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(8) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.09-1.91\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(7) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.87$ $-1.65\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(7) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 207.3,142.9,142.4,139.8,131.9,129.1,128.8,128.7$, 128.4, 126.9, 47.2, 41.2, 31.6, 20.6; enantiomers separated using a Phenomenex Amylose 1 column [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ], $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=10.9 \mathrm{~min}, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}$ $=11.3$ min or using a Chiralcel OJ-H column [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $\left.=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right], \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=22.5, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=25.5 \mathrm{~min}$

### 1.3 Synthesis of alcohols

## General Method C - Ketone reduction to alcohol

$\mathrm{NaBH}_{4}$ (1.5 eq) was added to a stirred mixture of ketone (1 eq) in MeOH at $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ under a nitrogen atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for $2 \mathrm{~h} . \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ was added, and the volatile components were removed under reduced pressure. The aqueous remainder was extracted with EtOAc $(\times 2)$. The combined organic layers were washed with $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ and brine, dried over $\mathrm{MgSO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure.

## General Method D - Ketone reduction to alcohol

$\mathrm{NaBH}_{4}$ (1.1 eq.) in methanol was added to a stirring solution of ketone (1 eq.) in methanol at $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and stirred at room temperature for $16-20 \mathrm{~h}$. The pH was adjusted to 2 using HCl ( 1 M , aqueous), and the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate ( 2 x reaction volume), the organic layer was washed with brine ( $1 \times 1.5$ reaction volumes), dried over $\mathrm{MgSO}_{4}$, filtered and concentrated to give the crude alcohols as a mixture of diastereomers.

1-Hydroxy-5,8-dimethyl-4-phenyltetralin $\mathbf{6} \mathbf{b}$ was prepared from 5,8-dimethyl-4-phenyltetral-1-one $\mathbf{2 b}$ according to general method C. The two diastereomers could be separated by flash column chromatography (hexane:EtOAc 85:15) to afford;

cis-1-Hydroxy-5,8-dimethyl-4-phenyltetralin cis-6b as a white solid ( $0.817 \mathrm{~g}, 46 \%$ ); m.p.: $126-128{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3380 (OH), 2943 (CH), 1448 (OH), 1049 (CO), 1032 (C=C), 805 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : $7.30-7.22$ (m, 2H, ArH), 7.21 - 7.13 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.11 - 7.02 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.99 (d, J = 7.6, 1H, ArH), 5.06 (apparent $\mathrm{q}, J=5.5,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 4.16$ (apparent $\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=6.1,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.52\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 2.21-2.09(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.09-1.93\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.93-1.79\left(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right)$,
$1.70-1.58(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 146.6,137.9,137.8,135.7,135.2,130.3,129.1,128.5,128.1$, 125.8, 66.6, 43.5, 29.6, 29.6, 20.4, 19.8; $\mathrm{HRMS}\left(\mathrm{ESI}^{+}\right)$: found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+} 275.1405, \mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{ONa}$ requires 275.1406.

and trans-1-Hydroxy-5,8-dimethyl-4-phenyltetralin trans-6b as a white solid (0.055 g, 3\%); m.p.: 119$121{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} . v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 3151(\mathrm{OH}), 2934(\mathrm{CH}), 1449(\mathrm{OH}), 1058(\mathrm{CO}), 799(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.24$ $-7.10(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.07(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.6,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.00(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.6,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.88(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.3,2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.99(\mathrm{dt}$, $J=5.8,3.0,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 4.31-4.22(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.57-2.38\left(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.91\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)$, $1.89-1.76\left(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.57(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=5.8,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 145.2,136.8,135.5$, $135.1,130.3,129.2,128.5,128.2,125.9,64.7,41.8,26.3,26.0,19.6,19.0 ;$ HRMS $\left.^{(E S I}{ }^{+}\right)$: found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$ $275.1406, \mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{ON}$ a requires 275.1406 .

1-Hydroxy-7-methyl-4-phenyltetralin 6c was prepared from 7-methyl-4-phenyltetral-1-one 2c according to general method $C$. The two diastereomers could be separated by flash column chromatography (hexane:EtOAc 95:5 to 85:15) to afford;

cis-1-Hydroxy-7-methyl-4-phenyltetralin cis-6c as a colourless oil ( $0.127 \mathrm{~g}, 27 \%$ ). $\mathrm{v}_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3306 (OH), 2936 (CH), 1492 (CH), 1450 (OH), 1080 (CO); $\delta_{H}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz;} \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.41$ - 7.08 (m, 6H, ArH), 6.95 (d, $J=7.8,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.74(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.9,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.81$ (apparent $\mathrm{t}, J=4.4,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 3.97(\mathrm{dd}, J=9.0,5.4,1 \mathrm{H}$, $\mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.32\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 2.22-1.76\left(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{OH}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 146.9,138.8,136.8$,
136.3, 130.0, 129.4, 128.9, 128.5, 126.3, 68.3, 45.6, 30.4, 28.5, 21.1; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $[M+N a]^{+}$ 261.1249, $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{ONa}$ requires 261.1250.

trans-1-Hydroxy-7-methyl-4-phenyltetralin trans-6c as a white solid ( $0.187 \mathrm{~g}, 37 \%$ ); m.p.: 102-104 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 3326(\mathrm{OH}), 2934(\mathrm{CH}), 1493(\mathrm{CH}), 1450(\mathrm{OH}), 1049(\mathrm{CO}) ; \delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.37(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, ArH), $7.31-7.12(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.09-6.94(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.78(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.9,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.87$ (apparent t, J=5.6, $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 4.14$ (apparent $\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=6.2,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.40-2.28\left(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.22-2.09(\mathrm{~m}$, 1 H , one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.91-1.72\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.66(\mathrm{brs}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : $146.9,139.6,136.4,136.3,130.2,128.8,128.8,128.4,128.4,126.2,68.7,45.1,30.5,29.4,21.2$; HRMS ( $\mathrm{ESI}^{+}$): found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$261.1253, $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{ONa}$ requires 261.1250.

4-Phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalen-1-ol $6 \mathbf{e}^{15}$ was prepared from 4-phenyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalen$1(2 H)$-one $\mathbf{2 e}$ according to general method $D$ to give the crude material as a viscous yellow oil containing a mixture of cis-6e and trans-6e diastereomers (46:54). The pure trans and cis diastereomers were obtained by recrystallization and column chromatography, respectively.

cis-4-Phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalen-1-ol cis- $6 \mathrm{e}^{16,17}$ was obtained as a colourless oil ( $0.754 \mathrm{~g}, 20 \%$ ) by column chromatography of the cis enriched material (24:76), which remained in the mother liquor upon crystallisation of the trans isomer, using diethyl ether/hexane (15/85) as eluent. $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): $3307(\mathrm{OH}), 760(\mathrm{CH}), 731(\mathrm{CH}), 699(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.46(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.38-7.07(\mathrm{~m}, 7 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH})$, $6.85(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.87[\mathrm{br} \mathrm{s}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}], 4.02[\mathrm{dd}, J=8.3,5.6,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}], 2.25-1.89\left[\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right.$
\& $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right], 1.81(\mathrm{br} \mathrm{s}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 146.6,139.8,139.0,130.0,128.9,128.8,128.4,127.9$, 126.6, 126.3, 68.2, 45.8, 30.3, 28.3.

trans-4-phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalen-1-ol trans-6e ${ }^{16,17}$ was obtained as a white solid (1.46 g, $39 \%$ ); m.p.: $121-122{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit. ${ }^{18} 122-123^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) by crystallisation of the crude mixture from diethyl ether and hexane. $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 3230(\mathrm{OH}), 745(\mathrm{CH}), 696(\mathrm{CH}) \mathrm{cm}^{-1} ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.55(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.6,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH})$, $7.37-7.09(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.06-6.99(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.88(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.9,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.96-4.85[\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}]$, $4.22-4.13[\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}], 2.43-2.27\left[\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right], 2.25-2.08\left[\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right], 1.96$ $1.66\left[\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OH}[1.73(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=6.0)]\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ and one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right] ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 146.5,139.7$, 139.1, 130.2, 128.7, 128.3, 127.9, 127.7, 126.7, 126.1, 68.5, 45.3, 30.3, 29.2.

trans-1-Hydroxy-4-benzyltetralin trans-6f ${ }^{8}$ was prepared from 4-benzyltetral-1-one according to general method C. Recrystallization from hexane gave the trans diastereomer exclusively as a white solid (0.298 g, 59\%); m.p.: $98-100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit. $.^{8} 98-100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3288 (OH), 2941 (CH), 1491 (CH), 1453 (OH), $1055(\mathrm{CO}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.59-7.45(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.42-7.14(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.86-4.67(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, $\mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 3.22\left(\mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=13.5,4.5,1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{PhCH}_{2}$ ), $3.14-2.97(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.77(\mathrm{dd}, J=13.5,10.3,1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\mathrm{PhCH}_{2}$ ), $2.06-1.82\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.82-1.61\left(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{OH}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 140.8$, 140.5, 139.3, 129.3, 128.5, 128.5, 128.3, 127.8, 126.6, 126.3, 69.1, 43.2, 39.5, 29.5, 23.4.

cis-1-Hydroxy-4-methyltetralin cis- $\mathbf{6 g}{ }^{19}$ was prepared from 4-methyltetral-1-one
according to general method C. Recrystallization from hexane twice gave the cis diastereomer as a white solid ( 0.697 g, $35 \%$ ); m.p.: $70-72{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit. ${ }^{19} 66-68{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). $v_{\max }$ (ATR): 3210 (OH), 2968 (CH), 2924 (CH), 1458 (OH), 1066 (CO), 1027 (C=C); $\delta_{H}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.45-7.37$ (m, 1H, ArH), $7.26-7.14(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.74$ (apparent t, J=5.3, 1H, C(1)H), 2.90-2.76(m,1H, C(4)H), 2.00-1.80(m,3H, one of C(3) $\left.\mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.80$ $-1.62\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{OH}\right), 1.33\left(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.0,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 142.2, 138.7, 128.6, 127.9, $127.8,126.3,68.8,32.6,30.2,27.3,22.3$.

trans-1-Hydroxy-4-methyltetralin trans-6g ${ }^{19}$ was prepared with DIAD ( $1.97 \mathrm{ml}, 10 \mathrm{mmol}, 4 \mathrm{eq}$ ) slowly added to a suspension of cis-1-hydroxy-4-methyltetralin cis- $6 \mathrm{~g}(0.406 \mathrm{~g}, 2.5 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq})$ and triphenylphosphine ( $2.62 \mathrm{~g}, 10 \mathrm{mmol}, 4 \mathrm{eq}$ ) in dry THF ( 5 ml ) under a nitrogen atmosphere and the solution was stirred for 22 h at $60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}(50 \mathrm{ml})$ was added and the mixture washed with sat. aqueous $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ $(2 \times 50 \mathrm{ml})$. The combined aqueous layer was back-extracted with $\mathrm{EtO}_{2}(100 \mathrm{ml})$ and the combined organic layers dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in a 1:1 mixture of $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ and hexane and sonicated to facilitate precipitation of $\mathrm{Ph}_{3} \mathrm{PO}$. The precipitate was removed by filtration and the filtrate concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was filtered through a plug of silica gel, washing with hexane:EtOAC 95:5. The crude intermediate was then dissolved in $\mathrm{MeOH}(25 \mathrm{ml})$ and $\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{CO}_{3}(1.38 \mathrm{~g}, 10 \mathrm{mmol}, 4 \mathrm{eq})$ was added. The mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight, $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(10 \mathrm{ml})$ was added and the volatile components were removed under reduced pressure. The aqueous remainder was extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 20 \mathrm{ml}$ ). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure, after which the crude product was subjected to flash column chromatography (hexane:EtOAc $85: 15$ ) which afforded trans- 6 g as a colourless oil ( $0.140 \mathrm{~g}, 35 \%)$. $v_{\max }(\mathrm{ATR}): 3221$ (OH), 2968 (CH), 2925 (CH), 1458 (OH), 1060 (CO), 1027
$(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.51-7.37(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.31-7.13(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.83-4.70(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H})$, $3.08-2.90(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.24-2.06\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.89-1.66(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{OH}\right), 1.58-1.45\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.27\left(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.1,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 142.1,138.6$, $128.5,128.4,127.9,126.3,68.6,32.5,29.6,27.0,22.7$.

cis-1-Hydroxy-3-phenyltetralin cis- $\mathbf{6} \mathbf{h}^{20}$ was prepared from 3-phenyltetral-1-one $\mathbf{2 h}$ according to general method C. Recrystallization from hexane gave the cis diastereomer, cis-6h exclusively as a white solid ( $0.731 \mathrm{~g}, 72 \%$ ); m.p.: $94-96^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit. ${ }^{20} 96-98^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3261 (OH), 1494 (CH), 1452 (OH), 995 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.72$ - $7.59(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.45-7.16(\mathrm{~m}, 7 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.17-7.06(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 5.11-$ $4.90(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 3.20-2.85\left(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.52\left(\mathrm{ddt}, J=12.2,6.0,2.1,1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.97$ (td, $J=12.2,10.5,1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.81(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.0,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 145.5,139.4,136.4$, $128.8,128.7,127.6,126.9,126.7,126.7,70.3,40.8,39.5,38.4$.

cis-3-Phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1 $\boldsymbol{H}$-inden-1-ol cis-6i ${ }^{21}$ was prepared from 3-phenyl-2,3-dihydroindanone $\mathbf{2 i}$ in ethanol ( 20 mL ) according to general method D to afford a mixture of cis-6i and trans-6i diastereomers (95:5). Recrystallisation ( $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} /$ hexane) gave the cis-6i as a white solid ( $1.54 \mathrm{~g}, 73 \%$ ); m.p. $93-94{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit. ${ }^{21}$ $94.5-95^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 3305(\mathrm{OH}), 2963(\mathrm{CH}), 1325(\mathrm{OH}), 1056(\mathrm{CO}), 757(\mathrm{CH}), 700(\mathrm{CH})$; $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}(300$ $\mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $7.48(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.4,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}$ ), $7.17-7.04(\mathrm{~m}, \mathrm{ArH}, 7 \mathrm{H}), 6.95(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.6,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 5.29$ [apparent $\mathrm{q}, J=7.4,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}], 4.19[\mathrm{t}, J=8.4,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}], 3.03[\mathrm{dt}, J=12.8,7.5,1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}], 2.03-1.86[\mathrm{~m}$, $2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OH}\left(\mathrm{d}\right.$ at $2.19, J=7.4$ ) and one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}(\mathrm{ddd}$ at $\left.1.95, J=16.9,9.2,7.6)\right] ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 145.6$, $145.3,144.3,128.6,128.4,128.2,127.2,126.6,125.1,123.7,75.1,48.3,47.2$.

## 3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-ol 6j5, 14, 15

Ketone $\mathbf{2 j}(8.91 \mathrm{~g}, 32.1 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq})$ in THF ( 100 mL ) was cooled to $-15^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ using a salt/ice bath. A solution of sodium borohydride ( $2.45 \mathrm{~g}, 64.8 \mathrm{mmol}, 2 \mathrm{eq}$.) in water ( 10 mL ) was slowly added to the stirring solution, maintaining the temperature below $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. When the addition was complete the reaction solution was allowed warm to room temperature and stirred for 3 h . The solution was diluted with ice-water (50 mL ) and stirred for 1 h . The THF was removed under reduced pressure and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate $(2 \times 50 \mathrm{~mL})$. The organic layer was washed with water $(2 \times 50 \mathrm{~mL})$ and brine ( 75 mL ) and concentrated afford a mixture of cis-6j and trans-6j diastereomers (91:9). The product was purified by column chromatography using diethyl ether/hexane (25:75) as eluent which gave;

cis-3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-ol cis-6j4 ${ }^{4}$ the major diastereomer as a colourless oil (4.975 g, 55\%). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3306 (OH), 1468 (OH), 1030 (C=C), 756 (CH), 742 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 7.48 ( $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=7.4, \mathrm{ArH}$ ), 7.38 ( $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=8.3, \mathrm{ArH}$ ), $7.36-7.22$ ( $3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}$ ), 7.07 ( $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=8.3,2.1$, ArH ), $6.94(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=7.7, \mathrm{ArH}), 5.30[1 \mathrm{H}$, expected ddd appears as $\mathrm{m}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}], 4.15[1 \mathrm{H}$, dd appears as $\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=8.2$, $\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}], 3.01\left[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, \mathrm{J}=13.0,7.6,7.0\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ], $1.99(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=7.0, \mathrm{OH}), 1.89$ [1H, ddd, $J=13.1$, 8.9, 7.3, one of C(2) $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ ]; $\delta_{\mathrm{c}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 145.2, 144.7, 144.4, 132.6, 130.59, 130.55, 130.2, 128.7, 127.68, 127.67, 124.9, 123.9, 74.9, 47.6, 46.7.

trans-3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-ol trans-6j ${ }^{4}$ the minor diastereomer trans-6j as a colourless oil ( $0.358 \mathrm{~g}, 4 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3306 (OH), 1469 (CH), 1032 (C=C), 755 (CH); $\delta_{H}(300 \mathrm{MHz}$;
$\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.44-7.53(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.39-7.27(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.21(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=2.1, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.05-6.98(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH})$, $6.96(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=8.3,2.1, \mathrm{ArH}), 5.38[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=6.2,2.7, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}], 4.59[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=7.4, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}], 2.63-2.45[1 \mathrm{H}$, $\mathrm{m}, 7.7,2.9$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{~B}$ of ABq$], 2.40-2.24\left[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}, A$ of $\left.A B q\right] ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 145.6$, $145.1,144.9,132.6,130.6,130.5,129.8,129.3,127.8,127.4,125.3,124.6,75.1,48.2,46.3$.

cis-3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-ol cis-6k ${ }^{22}$ was prepared from 3-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-one $\mathbf{2 k}$ according to general method D to afford a white solid ( $2.055 \mathrm{~g}, 83 \%$ ); m.p. 73$74{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit. ${ }^{22} 74-75^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 3231(\mathrm{OH}), 2969(\mathrm{CH}), 1508$ (C=C), 1220 (CO), 1042 (CO), 762 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.48(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.3, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.36-7.12(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.08-6.96(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.93(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=$ $7.3,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 5.29[\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=7.2,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}], 4.18[\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=8.4, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}], 3.02\left(\mathrm{dt}, \mathrm{J}=12.7,7.2,1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 1.99$ $(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=7.2, \mathrm{OH}), 1.90\left(\mathrm{ddd}, J=7.6,9.2,16.6,1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 161.7\left(\mathrm{~d}, J_{C F}=244.7\right)$, $145.5,145.1,140.0\left(d, J_{C F}=3.0\right), 129.6\left(d, J_{C F}=7.8\right), 128.5,127.3,125.0,123.7,115.4\left(d, J_{C F}=21.1\right), 75.0$, 47.6, 47.2; $\delta_{\mathrm{F}}\left(282 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right):-116.6$.

cis-3-Methyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-ol cis-6| ${ }^{22}$ was prepared form ketone $\mathbf{2 l}$ according to general method D to afford a mixture of cis-6I and trans-6I (90:10). The crude reaction mixture was purified by column chromatography 70:30 hexane: $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ to give pure cis- 6 l as a white solid ( $0.602 \mathrm{~g}, 80 \%$ ); m.p. 71-72 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit. ${ }^{22} 72^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 3305(\mathrm{OH}), 2963(\mathrm{CH}), 1325(\mathrm{OH}), 1056(\mathrm{CO}), 757(\mathrm{CH}), 700(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{H}(300$ $\mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 7.46 - $7.34(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.33$ - $7.15(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 5.16[\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=7.2,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{OH}], 3.14-2.96$ [m, 1H, C(3)H], $2.76\left[\mathrm{dt}, J=12.6,7.2,1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ], $1.88(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{brd}, \mathrm{OH}), 1.47$ [ddd, $1 \mathrm{H}, J=12.6,8.6$, 7.6, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ], $1.35\left(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=6.9, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 147.4,145.0,128.2,126.8,123.7,123.4$, 75.2, 45.8, 36.3, 20.2.

### 1.4 Synthesis of azides

## General Method E - Azide Synthesis ${ }^{23}$

To a stirred suspension of alcohol (1 eq) in toluene under a nitrogen atmosphere diphenyl phosphoryl azide ( 1.2 eq or 1.3 eq) was added. The mixture was cooled to $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and 1,8 -diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene (1.2 eq or 1.3 eq ) added dropwise. The reaction was warmed to room temperature and stirred overnight. The resulting two-phase mixture was subsequently diluted with EtOAc and washed with $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}, 5 \%$ aqueous HCl and brine, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. Flash column chromatography (hexane:EtOAc 95:5) afforded the azide.

cis-1-Azido-5,8-dimethyl-4-phenyltetralin cis-7b was prepared from trans-1-hydroxy-5,8-dimethyl-4phenyltetralin trans-6b according to general method E to give a colourless oil ( $0.128 \mathrm{~g}, 95 \%$ ). $v_{\text {max }} / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2940 (CH), 2093 ( $\mathrm{N}_{3}$ ), 1450 (CH), 1235 (CN), 1031 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.35-7.13(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}$, ArH), 7.13 - 6.93 (m, 4H, ArH), 4.74 (apparent $\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=4.9,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 4.17$ (apparent $\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=6.5,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}$ ), $2.46\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 2.25-2.09\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.09-1.94\left(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.84(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}$, $\mathrm{CH}_{3}$ ); $\delta_{\mathrm{c}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 146.5,138.5,135.8,135.6,133.1,131.0,129.1,128.6,127.9,126.0,58.0,43.5$, 30.0, 27.1, 20.6, 19.8 ; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $\left[\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{N}_{3}\right]^{+} 235.1483, \mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{19}$ requires 235.1481.

trans-1-Azido-5,8-dimethyl-4-phenyltetralin trans-7b was prepared from cis-1-hydroxy-5,8-dimethyl-4phenyltetralin cis-6b according to general method E to give a white solid ( $0.596 \mathrm{~g}, 86 \%$ ); m.p.: 97-99 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 2938$ (CH), 2094 ( $\mathrm{N}_{3}$ ), 1449 (CH), 1232 (CN), 1033 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.27$ - 7.01
(m, 5H, ArH), $6.88(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.2,2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.77-4.70(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 4.30$ (apparent d, J=5.4, 1H, C(4)H), 2.51 - $2.36\left(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right)$, $1.98-1.85\left(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : $145.3,137.2,135.4,135.3,131.9,130.9,129.1,128.4,128.3,126.1,57.0,41.6,27.0,24.1,19.6,19.3$; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $\left[\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{N}_{3}\right]^{+}$235.1481, $\mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{19}$ requires 235.1481.

cis-1-Azido-7-methyl-4-phenyltetralin cis-7c was prepared from trans-1-hydroxy-7-methyl-4phenyltetralin trans-6c according to general method E to give a colourless oil ( $0.157 \mathrm{~g}, 73 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2940 (CH), $2089\left(\mathrm{~N}_{3}\right), 1500(\mathrm{CH}), 1450(\mathrm{CH}), 1240(\mathrm{CN}) ; \delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.35-7.19(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}$, ArH), 7.18 - $7.10(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.00(\mathrm{dd}, J=8.0,1.9,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.78(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.9,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.61(\mathrm{t}, J=4.0,1 \mathrm{H}$, $\mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 4.01(\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=6.8,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.35\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 2.15-1.98\left(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 146.6, 137.3, 136.3, 133.9, 130.4, 129.8, 129.6, 128.9, 128.6, 126.5, 59.9, 45.4, 29.1, 28.3, 21.1; HRMS $\left(\mathrm{ESI}^{+}\right)$: found $\left[\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{N}_{3}\right]^{+}$221.1324, $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{18}$ requires 221.1325.

trans-1-Azido-7-methyl-4-phenyltetralin trans-7c was prepared from cis-1-hydroxy-7-methyl-4phenyltetralin cis-6c according to general method E to give a colourless oil ( $0.307 \mathrm{~g}, 73 \%$ ). $v_{\text {max }} / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2940 (CH), 2091 ( $\mathrm{N}_{3}$ ), 1492 (CH), 1450 (CH), 1239 (CN); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.32$ - 7.13 (m, 5H, ArH), 7.06 $-6.94(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.83(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.9,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.64$ (apparent $\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=5.3,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 4.18$ (apparent $\mathrm{t}, J=5.7$, $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.45-2.28\left(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of C 3() $\left.\mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 2.21-2.07\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.95-1.79(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : $146.7,136.5,136.3,134.6,130.7,129.4,129.1,128.8$, 128.4, 126.3, 59.9, 44.3, 29.2, 26.4, 21.2; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $\left[\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{N}_{3}\right]^{+}$221.1323, $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{18}$ requires 221.1325 .

cis-1-Azido-4-phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene cis-7e was prepared from trans-4-phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalen-1-ol trans-6e according to general method E to give the pure product cis-7e as a yellow solid (0.966 g, 77\%); m.p.: 80-82 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} . v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2943 (CH), 2091 ( $\mathrm{N}_{3}$ ), 1486 (CH), 755 (CH), $699(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.42-7.03(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.89(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.64[\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=4.7,1 \mathrm{H}$, $\mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}], 4.04[\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=6.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}], 2.32-1.85\left[\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right.$ and $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right] ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 146.3,140.2$, 133.9, 130.4, 129.3, 128.8, 128.5, 126.5, 126.4, 59.7, 45.6, 28.9, 28.1.

trans 1-Azido-4-phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene trans-7e was prepared from cis-4-phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalen-1-ol cis-6e according to general method E to give the pure product trans-7e as a colourless oil (0.902 g, 90\%). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2939 (CH), 2091 ( $\mathrm{N}_{3}$ ), 1491 (CH), 1239 (CN), 749 (CH), 700 $(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.45-7.38(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.32-7.15(5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.03-6.96(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH})$, $6.94(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=7.8, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.67\left[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=5.4, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{HN}_{3}\right], 4.22[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=5.8, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}], 2.49-2.30[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right], 2.23-2.05\left[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right], 1.96-1.80\left[2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ and one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right]$; $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}(75$ $\left.\mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 146.4,139.3,134.6,130.7,128.64,128.63,128.34,128.32,126.7,126.2,59.7,44.5,28.9$, 26.1; $\mathrm{HRMS}\left(E S I^{+}\right)$: found $\left[\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{N}_{3}\right]^{+}$207.1168, $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}_{3}$ requires 207.1170.

cis-1-Azido-3-benzyltetralin cis-7f was prepared from trans-1-hydroxy-4-benzyltetralin trans-6f according to general method E to give a colourless oil ( $0.232 \mathrm{~g}, 88 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2937 (CH), 2093 ( $\mathrm{N}_{3}$ ), 1452 (CH), 1238 (CN), 1033 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ): $7.43-7.08$ (m, 9H, ArH), 4.57 (apparent t, J = 4.1, 1H, $\mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 3.23-3.09(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 3.03$ (dd, $J=13.7,4.8,1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\mathrm{PhCH}_{2}$ ), 2.68 ( $\mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=13.7,10.5,1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\mathrm{PhCH}_{2}$ ), 2.22-2.05 (m, 1 H , one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.02-1.80\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.67-$ $1.53\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 140.9, 140.4, 133.5, 129.6, 129.5, 129.3, 128.6, 128.5, 126.6, 126.4, 59.6, 43.2, 39.0, 25.1, 21.7; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $\left[\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{N}_{2}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+} 236.1431, \mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 236.1434.

cis-1-Azido-4-methyltetralin cis-7g ${ }^{23}$ was prepared from trans-1-hydroxy-4-methyltetralin trans-6g according to general method D to give a colourless oil ( $0.109 \mathrm{~g}, 78 \%$ ). $v_{\text {max }}$ (ATR): 2932 (CH), $2090\left(\mathrm{~N}_{3}\right)$, 1239 (CN); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : $7.39-7.16(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}$ ), 4.56 (apparent $\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=4.8,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 2.98-2.78$ $(\mathrm{m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.13-1.85\left(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.82-1.61\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.36(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=$ $6.9,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}$ ); $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 142.4,133.5,129.2,128.5,128.2,126.2,60.2,32.4,27.7,27.5,22.3 ;$ HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$) found $\left[\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{N}_{2}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+} 160.1119 \mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 160.1121.

trans-1-Azido-4-methyltetralin trans-7g ${ }^{23}$ was prepared from cis-1-hydroxy-4-methyltetralin cis-6g according to general method D to give a colourless oil ( $0.220 \mathrm{~g}, 70 \%$ ). $v_{\text {max }}$ (ATR): 2935 (CH), 2091 ( $\mathrm{N}_{3}$ ), 1238 (CN); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ): $7.33-7.17$ (m, 4H, ArH), 4.55 (apparent t, J = 4.3, 1H, C(1)H), 3.09-2.91 $(\mathrm{m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.25-2.05\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.00-1.83\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.65$ $-1.46\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.27\left(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.1,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 142.5, 133.4, 129.1, 129.0, 128.5, 126.2, 59.9, 32.0, 26.8, 25.8, 23.1; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $\left[\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{N}_{2}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+} 160.1118, \mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 160.1121 .

trans-1-Azido-3-phenyltetralin trans-7h was prepared from cis-1-hydroxy-3-phenyltetralin cis-6h according to general method E to give a colourless oil ( $0.386 \mathrm{~g}, 77 \%$ ). $\mathrm{v}_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2921 (CH), 2090 $\left(\mathrm{N}_{3}\right), 1494(\mathrm{CH}), 1453(\mathrm{CH}), 1234(\mathrm{CN}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.48-7.11(\mathrm{~m}, 9 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.78(\mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=4.0,2.7$, $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 3.41-3.22(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}), 3.13$ (ddd, $J=17.0,5.2,1.4,1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.91$ (dd, $J=16.9$, 12.0, 1 H , one of $\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ), 2.36-2.24 (m, 1H, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.15$ (ddd, $J=13.6,12.3,4.0,1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right)$; $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 145.3,137.1,132.8,129.8,129.7,128.9,128.8,127.1,126.9,126.7,126.5,60.0,37.4$, 36.1, 35.6; $\mathrm{HRMS}\left(E S I^{+}\right)$: found $\left[\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{N}_{2}+\mathrm{H}\right]^{+}$222.1273, $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 222.1277.

trans-1-Azido-3-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene trans-7i was prepared from cis-3-phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-ol cis-6i according to general method E to give trans-7i as a yellow oil ( $0.450 \mathrm{~g}, 80 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2932 (CH), $2089\left(\mathrm{~N}_{3}\right), 1454(\mathrm{CH}), 1234(\mathrm{CN}), 749(\mathrm{CH}), 699(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.52-7.40$ (m, 1H), $7.37-7.18(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.17-7.09(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.07-6.96(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 5.03(\mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=6.9,2.5$, $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 4.57(\mathrm{t}, J=7.8,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}), 2.61\left(\mathrm{ddd}, J=7.5,6.3,2.5,1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.37(\mathrm{ddd}, J=6.9,5.5$, $1.4,1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right)$; $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : $147.1,143.7,140.6(3 \times$ Aromatic $q \mathrm{C}), 129.4,128.6(2 \times \mathrm{C})$, $128.0(2 \times \mathrm{C}), 127.3,126.7,125.6,124.6(9 \times$ Aromatic CH$), 64.9(\mathrm{CH}), 49.3(\mathrm{CH}), 43.4\left[\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right]$; HRMS (ESI $\left.{ }^{+}\right)$: found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$236.1059, $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{~N}_{3}$ requires 236.1070.

cis-1-Azido-3-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene cis-7j ${ }^{25}$ was prepared from trans-3-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-ol trans-6j according to general method E to give the pure product cis-7j as a dark orange oil (0.691 g, 53\%). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2929 (CH), 2090 ( $\mathrm{N}_{3}$ ), 1468 (CH), 1254 (CN), $758(\mathrm{CH}), 747(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.52-7.26(5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.05(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=8.2,2.1, \mathrm{ArH})$, $6.97(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=7.3, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.93[1 \mathrm{H}$, dd appears as $\mathrm{t}, J=7.3, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}], 4.24[1 \mathrm{H}$, dd appears as $\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=8.2, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}$ ], $3.01\left[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dt}, J=13.3,7.7\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right], 2.02\left[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, J=13.3,8.4,7.6\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right] ; \delta_{C}(75 \mathrm{MHz}$; $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 144.6,144.2,141.2,132.7,130.9,130.7,130.2,129.2,127.9,127.6,125.2,124.3,64.3,48.1,42.6$.

trans-1-Azido-3-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene trans-7j ${ }^{25}$ was prepared from cis-3-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-ol cis-6j according to general method E to afford the pure as an orange oil ( $0.928 \mathrm{~g}, 86 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 2935(\mathrm{CH}), 2092\left(\mathrm{~N}_{3}\right), 1474(\mathrm{CH}), 1237(\mathrm{CN}), 757(\mathrm{CH})$; $\delta_{H}(300$ $\left.\mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.52-7.42(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.42-7.28(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.23(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=2.1, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.05-6.94(2 \mathrm{H}$, $\mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 5.03(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=6.8,2.3, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}], 4.53[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=7.9, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}], 2.61[1 \mathrm{H}$, ddd, $J=13.7,7.5$, 2.4, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ], $2.30\left[1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, ddd, $J=13.7,8.3,6.8$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right] ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 145.8,144.1,140.7,132.7$, $130.8,130.7,129.9,129.7,127.8,127.4,125.4,124.8,64.7,48.5,43.4$.

trans-1-Azido-3-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene trans-7k was prepared from cis-3-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-ol cis-6k according to general method E to give trans-7k as a colourless oil ( $0.975 \mathrm{~g}, 88 \%^{*}$ ). $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : $7.52-7.18$ ( $5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}$ ), $7.15-7.06(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.05$ $-6.92(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 5.02[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=6.8,2.3, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}], 4.56[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=7.6, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}], 2.60[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, \mathrm{J}=13.7$, 7.4, 2.3, one of $\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ ], 2.31 [1H, ddd, $J=13.5,7.2,6.8$, one of $\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ ]; $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 161.7\left(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}_{C F}=245.0\right)$,
146.9, 140.6, $139.4\left(\mathrm{~d}, J_{C F}=3.3\right), 129.5\left(\mathrm{~d}, J_{C F}=4.3\right), 129.4,127.5,125.5,124.7,115.5\left(\mathrm{~d}, J_{C F}=21.3\right), 64.8$, 48.6, 43.7; $\delta_{\mathrm{F}}\left(282 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : -116 ; $\mathrm{HRMS}\left(\mathrm{ESI}^{+}\right)$: found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 254.0553, \mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{FN}_{3}$ requires 254.0642. *Note a small amount of the cis-diastereomer is present ( $<4 \%$ ) but the cis-amine is not evident in the next step.

trans-1-Azido-3-methyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene trans-71 ${ }^{26}$ was prepared from cis-3-methyl-2,3-dihydro1 H -inden-1-ol cis-6I according to general method E to afford trans-7I ( $0.566 \mathrm{~g}, 54 \%) . \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : $7.52-7.11(4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.87[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=6.9,2.3, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}], 3.51-3.33[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}], 2.36(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, \mathrm{J}=$ 13.5, 7.2, 2.1, one of $\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ ), $1.94\left(1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, ddd, $J=13.5,6.5,5.6$, one of $\left.\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 1.29\left(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=6.9, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)$; $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}(75$ $\mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 148.7, 140.0, 129.2, 126.9, 124.7, 123.9, 64.8, 41.7, 37.2, 19.6. Note: A small amount of the cis-diastereomer is present ( $<5 \%$ ) but the cis-amine is not evident in the next step.

### 1.5 Synthesis of amines

## General Method F - Azide reduction to Amine ${ }^{25}$

A solution of azide (1 eq) in dry THF was added slowly to a solution of $\mathrm{LiAlH}_{4}(1 \mathrm{M}$ in dry THF, 1.5 eq ) under a nitrogen atmosphere at $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight. The reaction was quenched through slow addition of $10: 1 \mathrm{THF}: \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, while cooling on ice. The mixture was filtered through Celite ${ }^{\circledR}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, and a few drops of $10 \% \mathrm{HCl}$ were added under vigorous stirring until precipitate started to form. The precipitate was collected by filtration and dissolved in $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. After basifying the mixture to $\mathrm{pH}>10$ with 5 M aqueous KOH and stirring for 10 min , it was extracted with EtOAc ( $\times 3$ ). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the amine.

OR

The azide (1 eq) was dissolved in dry THF and $\mathrm{PPh}_{3}$ (1.2 equiv.) and $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ (2 equiv.) were added. The solution was heated under reflux for 4 h and allowed to cool. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure.

Removal of the triphenylphosphine oxide by-product: The residue was dissolved in a $50: 50$ mix of hexane and $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}(50 \mathrm{ml})$ and stored overnight at $-20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The white precipitate was removed by filtration and the filtrate concentrated under vacuum. The residue was dissolved in $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(10 \mathrm{ml})$ and 5 M aqueous HCl solution was added dropwise until pH 1 . The resulting white precipitate was collected by filtration. The solid was re-suspended in $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(50 \mathrm{ml})$ and the pH was adjusted to 10 with 1 M aqueous NaOH solution. The mixture was stirred for 30 min , then extracted using ethyl acetate ( $2 \times 50 \mathrm{ml}$ ). The combined organic layer was washed with water ( 100 ml ), brine ( 100 ml ), dried $\left(\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)$, filtered and concentrated in vacuo to give the pure product.

## General Method G - Reductive Amination

A mixture of ketone ( 1 eq ), titanium isopropoxide ( 3 eq ) and methanolic ammonia ( $2 \mathrm{M}, 10 \mathrm{eq}$ ) was stirred under nitrogen for 16 h . The reaction mixture was cooled to $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and sodium borohydride ( 1.5 eq ) was added. The mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 3 h . The reaction was quenched by pouring onto ammonium hydroxide (2M) and stirred for 5-10 min. The inorganic precipitate was removed by filtration and the filter cake was washed with $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$. The layers were separated, and the
aqueous layer was extracted with $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(\times 2)$. The combined organic layers were concentrated, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude amine.

General Method H - Boc protection: A solution of crude amine and di-tert-butyl-dicarbonate (1 eq) was stirred at room temperature for $3-16 \mathrm{~h}$ and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The NHBoc diastereomers were separated by flash column chromatography (hexane/ $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3} / \mathrm{EtOAc}^{18: 2: 1}$ ).

## General Method I-Boc deprotection

The amine was dissolved in HCl ( 4 M in dioxane, 4 mL per mmol amine) and stirred for 3 h . The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue triturated using diethyl ether. The precipitate was collected by filtration and dissolved in $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. After basifying the mixture to $\mathrm{pH}>10$ with 5 M aqueous KOH and stirring for 10 min , it was extracted with EtOAc ( $\times 3$ ). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the amine.

cis-1-Amino-5,8-dimethyl-4-phenyltetralin cis-1b was prepared from cis-1-azido-5,8-dimethyl-4phenyltetralin cis-7b according to general method F to give a colourless oil ( $0.070 \mathrm{~g}, 75 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2925 (NH), 1492 (CH), 1450 (CH), 1031 (CN); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ): 7.29-7.11 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.08-7.00(m, $3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}$ ), 6.94 (d, J = 7.6, 1H, ArH), 4.25 (apparent $\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=5.1,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 4.17$ (apparent $\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=6.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}$ ), $2.48\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 2.22-1.89\left(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.85\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 1.75-1.61(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ), 1.50 (br s, $2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}$ ); $\delta_{\mathrm{c}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ): 147.4, 140.7, 137.2, 135.5, 134.2, 129.3, 129.0, 128.6, 127.8, 125.7, 47.1, 43.5, 30.4, 29.8, 20.6, 19.5; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 252.1750, \mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 252.1747; enantiomers separated using a Phenomenex Cellulose 4 column [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $\left.=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right], R_{t}=19.1 \mathrm{~min}, R_{t}=23.8 \mathrm{~min}$.

trans-1-Amino-5,8-dimethyl-4-phenyltetralin trans-1b was prepared from trans-1-azido-5,8-dimethyl-4phenyltetralin trans-7b according to general method F to give a colourless oil ( $0.066 \mathrm{~g}, 88 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2925 (NH), 1492 (CH), 1449 (CH), 1029 (CN); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.25-7.08$ (m, 3H, ArH), 7.04 (d, $J=7.6,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.95(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.6,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.88(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.3,2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.33-4.16(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.57$ - $2.40\left(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.97-1.78\left(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of 3- $\left.\mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.65-1.55$ ( $\mathrm{m}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ), 1.46 (br s, $2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}$ ); $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 146.0,139.6,135.9,135.2,134.2,129.2$, 129.1, 128.5, 128.2, 125.8, 45.8, 42.0, 26.7, 26.0, 19.8, 19.1; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 252.1748, \mathrm{C}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 252.1747; enantiomers not separated by chiral HPLC as amine was not processed by $P$ - $\omega$-TA or Cv- $\omega$-TA.

cis-1-Amino-7-methyl-4-phenyltetralin cis-1c was prepared from cis-1-azido-7-methyl-4-phenyltetralin cis-7c according to general method F to give a yellow oil ( $0.082 \mathrm{~g}, 69 \%$ ). $\nu_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2922 (NH), 1601 (C=C), 1492 (CH), 1450 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.34-7.17(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.16-7.08(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.92$ (dd, J = 7.9, 1.9, 1H, ArH), $6.74(d, J=7.9,1 H, A r H), 4.09-3.97(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.33\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)$, $2.14-1.93\left(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.86-1.74\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.62\left(\mathrm{br} \mathrm{s}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}(75$ $\left.\mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 147.1,141.1,136.0(2 \times \mathrm{C}), 130.0,128.8,128.8,128.3,127.8,126.1,49.5,45.5,31.0,29.0$, 21.0; $\mathrm{HRMS}\left(E I^{+}\right)$: found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$238.1588, $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 238.1590; enantiomers separated using a Chiralcel AS-H column [conditions: $n$-hexane/ $\mathrm{iPrOH}\left(\right.$ containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL}^{\mathrm{min}}$ ${ }^{1}$ ], $R_{t}=23.0 \mathrm{~min}, R_{t}=24.7 \mathrm{~min}$.

trans-1-Amino-7-methyl-4-phenyltetralin trans-1c was prepared from trans-1-azido-7-methyl-4phenyltetralin trans-7c according to general method F to give a yellow oil ( $0.101 \mathrm{~g}, 85 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2923 (NH), 1600 (C=C), 1492 (CH), 1449 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.32$ (s, 1H, ArH), $7.30-7.14$ (m, 3H, ArH), $7.09-7.01(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.90(\mathrm{dd}, J=7.9,1.9,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.73(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.9,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.15-4.01(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}$, $\mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.33\left(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=0.9,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 2.30-2.20\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.18-2.06(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.91-1.78\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.67-1.50\left(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 147.3, 141.4, 136.1, 136.1, 130.2, 128.8, 128.4, 128.1, 127.8, 126.1, 49.9, 45.5, 32.0, 30.3, 21.2; HRMS $\left(\mathrm{ESI}^{+}\right)$: found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$238.1592, $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 238.1590 ; enantiomers not separated by chiral HPLC as amine was not processed by $P-\omega-\mathrm{TA}$ or $\mathrm{Cv}-\omega-\mathrm{TA}$.

cis-1-Amino-6-methoxy-4-phenyltetralin cis-1d was prepared from cis-1-(Boc-amino)-6-methoxy-4phenyltetralin cis-8d according to general method I to give a colourless oil ( $0.037 \mathrm{~g}, 45 \%$ ). $v_{\text {max }} / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2930 (NH), 1608 (C=C), 1493 (CH), 1238 (CN), 1038 (CN); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.43$ - 7.04 (m, 6H, ArH), 6.78 (dd, J = 8.5, 2.5, 1H, C(7)H), $6.36(\mathrm{~d}, J=2.5,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(5) \mathrm{H}), 4.12-3.92(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 3.64(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}$, $\left.\mathrm{OCH}_{3}\right), 2.18-1.89\left(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.89-1.69\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.63\left(\mathrm{br} \mathrm{s}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right)$; $\delta_{c}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 158.4,146.8,140.5,134.2,129.6,129.0,128.5,126.3,114.7,112.9,55.3,49.1,46.2$, 31.3, 29.0; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $\left[\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{NH}_{2}\right]^{+}$237.1272, $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{O}$ requires 237.1274; the enantiomers of cis-1d were not analysed by chiral HPLC; the resulting reaction solutions from the relevant biotransformations were subject to Boc protection (according to general method $H$, the Boc-protected amines were then analysed by chiral HPLC, as per conditions detailed for cis-8d.

trans-1-Amino-6-methoxy-4-phenyltetralin trans-1d was prepared from trans-1-(Boc-amino)-6-methoxy-4-phenyltetralin trans-8d according to general method I to give a colourless oil ( $0.043 \mathrm{~g}, 48 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 2929(\mathrm{NH}), 1608(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}), 1493(\mathrm{CH}), 1239(\mathrm{CN}), 1036(\mathrm{CN}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.42(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=$ $8.5,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(8) \mathrm{H}), 7.34-7.12(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.09-6.99(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.79(\mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=8.5,2.6,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(7) \mathrm{H}), 6.37$ $(\mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=2.6,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(5) \mathrm{H}), 4.17-3.98(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}), 3.64\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OCH}_{3}\right), 2.36-2.20(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.18-2.03\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.92-1.76\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.76-1.49(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 158.3,146.9,140.4,134.3,128.9,128.8,128.4,126.2,114.8,112.9,55.3$, 49.3, 46.1, 32.0, 30.0; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $\left[\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{NH}_{2}\right]^{+} 237.1273, \mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{17} \mathrm{O}$ requires 237.1274; the enantiomers of trans-1d were not analysed by chiral HPLC; the resulting reaction solution from the relevant biotransformations were subject to Boc protection (according to general method $H$, the Boc-protected amines were then analysed by chiral HPLC, as per conditions detailed for trans-8d.

cis-4-Phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalen-1-amine cis-1e ${ }^{24}$ was prepared from cis-1-azido-4-phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene cis-7e according to general method $F$ (polystyrene bound triphenylphosphine used) to give the cis-1e as a brown oil ( $0.070 \mathrm{~g}, 9 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3279 (NH), 2928 (NH), 1489 (CH), 1447 (CH), 759 (CH), $726(\mathrm{CH}), 700(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.43(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=7.0, \mathrm{ArH})$, $7.35-7.00(7 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.84(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=7.7, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.11-3.99[2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}$ and $\mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}], 2.92-2.22[3 \mathrm{H}$, m , one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ and $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right], 1.88-1.75\left[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right], 1.66\left(\mathrm{br} \mathrm{s}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 146.9, 141.6, 139.0, 130.0, 128.9, 128.3, 128.2, 126.8, 126.5, 126.1, 49.4, 45.8, 30.9, 28.9; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$224.1434, $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 224.1434; enantiomers separated using a Phenomenex Cellulose 2 [conditions: $n$-hexane/ $i \operatorname{PrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ], $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=17.5$ $\min , R_{t}=18.7 \mathrm{~min}$, (ketone $\mathbf{2 e}$ overlaps with cis-1e peaks under analysis by chiral HPLC; post
biotransformation, cis-1e and $\mathbf{2 e}$ are separated on a silica plug using 70:30 hexane:ethyl acetate to elute ketone $\mathbf{2 e}$ followed by 100\% methanol to elute cis-1e.

trans-4-Phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalen-1-amine trans-1e was prepared from trans-1-azido-4-phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene trans-7e according to general method F to give the product trans1 e as a yellow oil ( $0.313 \mathrm{~g}, 52 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3357 (NH), 2925 (NH), 1491 (CH), 1450 (CH), 749 (CH), $700(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.51(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=7.7, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.35-7.15(4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.10(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=7.3, \mathrm{ArH})$, $7.05(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=7.1, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.85(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=7.8, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.15[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=6.8, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}], 4.11(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{t}, J=6.1, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}]$, 2.37 - $2.24\left[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right], 2.20-2.09\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.95-1.79\left[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right]$, 1.73 - $1.57\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 147.0,139.0,130.2,128.7,128.3,127.5,126.7$, 126.5, 126.1, 49.8, 45.7, 31.8, 30.1; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$) found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 224.1435 \mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 224.1434; enantiomers separated using a Chiralcel OJ-H column [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) = 90/10, flow rate $\left.=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right], \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=18.8 \mathrm{~min}, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=24.1 \mathrm{~min}$.

cis-1-Amino-4-benzyltetralin cis-1f was prepared from cis-1-azido-4-benzyltetralin cis-7f according to general method F to give a colourless oil ( $0.177 \mathrm{~g}, 75 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2928 (NH), 2857 (NH), 1601 (C=C), $1494(\mathrm{CH}), 1452(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.45-7.12(\mathrm{~m}, 9 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.00$ (apparent t, J=4.7,1H, C(1)H), $3.20-3.01\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{PhCH}_{2}\right), 2.78-2.60\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{PhCH}_{2}\right), 2.22-2.04(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right)$, $1.99-1.82\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.69-1.39\left(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right)$; $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}(75$ $\mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 141.1, 140.9, 140.1, 129.3, 129.0, 128.7, 128.5, 126.9, 126.4, 126.2, 49.3, 43.3, 39.7, 29.4, 22.1; $\mathrm{HRMS}\left(\mathrm{ESI}^{+}\right)$: found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$238.1587, $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 238.1590; enantiomers separated using a

Phenomenex Amylose 1 column [conditions: $n$-hexane/ $i \operatorname{PrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25$ $\left.\mathrm{mL} \mathrm{min}{ }^{-1}\right], R_{t}=45.1 \mathrm{~min}, R_{t}=49.3 \mathrm{~min}$.

trans-1-Amino-4-benzyltetralin trans-1f was prepared from 4-benzyltetral-1-one $\mathbf{2 f}$ according to general method G. The crude amine was dissolved in $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, and a few drops of $10 \% \mathrm{HCl}$ were added under vigorous stirring until precipitate started to form. The HCl salt was collected by filtration, recrystallized from $i \mathrm{PrOH}$ and dissolved in $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. After basifying the mixture to $\mathrm{pH}>10$ with 5 M aqueous KOH and stirring for 10 min , it was extracted with dichloromethane ( $\times 3$ ). The combined organic layers were dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The title product was afforded as a colourless oil ( $0.178 \mathrm{~g}, 39 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 2923(\mathrm{NH}), 2859(\mathrm{NH}), 1601(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}), 1494(\mathrm{CH}), 1452(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.52-7.42$ (m, 1H, ArH), $7.44-7.03(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.00-3.87(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 3.17\left(\mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=13.4,4.5,1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{PhCH}_{2}$ ), $3.11-2.98(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H} . \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.77\left(\mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=13.4,10.2,1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{PhCH}_{2}\right), 2.00-1.84\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right)$, $1.80-1.64\left(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right)$, $1.57\left(\mathrm{br} \mathrm{s}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 141.4,140.9,140.3$, $\left.\left.129.3,128.6,128.5,127.7,126.8,126.4,126.2,50.2,43.3,39.7,30.5,24.0 ; \mathrm{HRMS}^{(E S I}\right)^{+}\right)$: found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$ 238.1588, $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 238.1590; enantiomers separated using a Phenomenex Amylose 1 column [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{PrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ], $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=20.6, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=22.1$ $\min$.

cis-1-Amino-4-methyltetralin cis-1g was prepared from cis-1-azido-4-methyltetralin cis-7g according to general method E to give a yellow oil ( $0.061 \mathrm{~g}, 69 \%$ ). $v_{\text {max }} / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 2926$ (NH), 1575 (C=C), 1443 (CH), $1373(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.44-7.36(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.25-7.14(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 3.95$ (apparent $\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=$ 5.9, 1H, C(1)H), $2.94-2.79(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.05-1.84\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.82-1.60$ ( $\mathrm{m}, 4 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}$ ), $1.34\left(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.0,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 141.8, 141.0, 127.9, 127.8, 126.9, 126.1, 49.9, 32.7, 31.0, 27.9, 22.6; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 162.1273, \mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}$
requires 162.1277; enantiomers separated using a Phenomenex Amylose 1 column [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $\left.=0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right], \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=42.5 \mathrm{~min}, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=46.2 \mathrm{~min}$.

trans-1-Amino-4-methyltetralin trans-1g was prepared from trans-1-azido-4-methyltetralin trans-7g according to general method E to give a yellow oil ( $0.120 \mathrm{~g}, 85 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2927 (NH), 1579 (C=C), 1444 (CH), 1374 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.45-7.34(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.23-7.07(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 3.97$ (dd, J $=6.5,4.5,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 3.04-2.86(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 2.23-2.02\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.71-$ $1.43\left(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right), 1.27\left(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.1,3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 141.7,140.9$, 128.3, 128.1, 126.8, 126.1, 49.8, 32.8, 31.0, 27.8, 22.9; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 162.1273, \mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 162.1277; enantiomers separated using a Phenomenex Amylose 1 column [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}($ containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA})=95 / 5$, flow rate $\left.=0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right], \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=42.5 \mathrm{~min}, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=46.2 \mathrm{~min}$.

cis-1-Amino-3-phenyltetralin cis-1 $\mathbf{h}^{27}$ was prepared from 3-phenyltetral-1-one $\mathbf{2 h}$ according to general method F . The crude amine was dissolved in $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, and a few drops of $10 \% \mathrm{HCl}$ were added under vigorous stirring until precipitate started to form. The HCl salt was collected by filtration, recrystallized from iPrOH and dissolved in $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. After basifying the mixture to $\mathrm{pH}>10$ with 5 M aqueous KOH and stirring for 10 min , it was extracted with $\operatorname{EtOAc}(\times 3)$. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The title product was afforded as a colourless oil (0.143 g, $28 \%) . v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 2915(\mathrm{NH}), 1602(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}), 1493(\mathrm{CH}), 1451(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.62$ (dd, J=7.7, $1.4,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.44-7.14(\mathrm{~m}, 7 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.14-7.03(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.17(\mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=11.0,5.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 3.19-$ $2.90\left(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.47-2.32\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.82(\mathrm{ddd}, \mathrm{J}=12.2,12.2,11.0,1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.62\left(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 146.0,140.9,136.5,128.9,128.7,126.9,126.8,126.8,126.5$, 126.5, 51.5, 42.71, 40.2, 38.8; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$: found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$224.1434, $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 224.1434; enantiomers not separated by chiral HPLC as the amine was not processed by $P-\omega-T A$ or $C v-\omega-T A$.

trans-1-Amino-3-phenyltetralin trans-1h was prepared from trans-1-azido-3-phenyltetralin trans-7h according to general method E to give a colourless oil ( $0.153 \mathrm{~g}, 50 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2919 (NH), 1602 (C=C), 1493 (CH), 1452 (CH), 1055 (CN); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ): $7.42-7.06$ (m, 9H, ArH), 4.20 (dd, J = 4.6, $2.8,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 3.40-3.25(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}), 3.07$ (ddd, $\mathrm{J}=16.7,5.0,1.6,1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.87(\mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=$ 16.6, 11.6, 1 H , one of $\mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ), 2.17 (ddd, $J=13.3,12.0,4.6,1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.11-1.99(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.55\left(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{c}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 146.3, 140.1, 136.3, 129.2, 129.2, 128.7, 127.2, 127.1, 126.4, 126.4, 49.4, 39.6, 37.9, 35.0; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$: found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 224.1433, \mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 224.1434; enantiomers not separated by chiral HPLC as amine was not processed by $P-\omega$-TA or $\mathrm{CV}-\omega-\mathrm{TA}$.

cis-3-Phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-amine cis-1i ${ }^{28}$, 29 was prepared from 3 -phenyl-1-indanone $\mathbf{2 i}$ accoding to general method G to give cis-1i ( $0.273 \mathrm{~g}, 26 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3365 (NH), 3025 (NH), 2917 (NH), 1493 (CH), 1454 (CH), 752 (CH), 698 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ): 7.41 (1H, br d, J = 7.5, ArH), 7.17 7.13 (7H, m, ArH), 6.90 ( $1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{br} \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=7.7, \mathrm{ArH}$ ), $4.62-4.17[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=10.5,7.2, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}], 4.38[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=$ 9.2, 7.1, $\mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}], 2.95\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dt}, J=12.4,6.9\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 1.81-1.66\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{c}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 147.6, 145.9, 144.2, 128.5, 128.4, 127.3, 126.9, 126.5, 124.8, 122.9, 56.1, 49.0, 48.8; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$210.1275, $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 210.1277; enantiomers separated using a Chiracel AS-H column [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ], $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=14.4 \mathrm{~min}, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=16.0$ min.

trans-3-Phenyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-amine trans-1i ${ }^{28,29}$ was prepared from trans-1-azido-3-phenyl-2,3-dihydro- $1 H$-indene trans- $\mathbf{7 i}$ according to general method F to give trans-1I as a dark green oil (0.198 g, 20\%). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 2955(\mathrm{NH}), 754(\mathrm{CH}), 730(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.40(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, 7.4, \operatorname{ArH}), 7.33-$ $7.15(5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.14-7.08(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.05(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{br} \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=7.4, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.62-4.49(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, 2 \times \mathrm{CH}), 2.47$ (1H, ddd, $J=12.9,6.9,5.7$, one of $\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ ), $2.30\left(1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, ddd, $J=13.5,8.5,5.4$, one of $\left.\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3} ;\right.$ ): 147.6, 145.7, 145.2, 128.5, 127.8, 127.7, 127.3, 126.3, 125.4, 123.7, 56.0, 48.8, 47.1; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$: found $[\mathrm{M}-\mathrm{H}]^{+}$208.1123, $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 208.1121; enantiomers separated using a Chiracel AS-H column [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ], $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=11.5, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=12.6$ min.

cis-3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-amine cis-1 ${ }^{25}$ was prepared from cis-1-azido-3-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene cis-7j according to general method F to give cis-1j as a yellow oil ( $0.313 \mathrm{~g}, 52 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 3372(\mathrm{NH}), 2957(\mathrm{NH}), 1468(\mathrm{CH}), 762(\mathrm{CH}), 731(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : $7.50-7.16(5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.07(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=8.3,2.1, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.88(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=7.4, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.37(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=9.0,7.2$, $\mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}], 4.14[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=10.6,7.3, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}], 2.94$ [1H, ddd appears as $\mathrm{dt}, J=12.4,7.0$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ], 1.67 $\left[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ddd}, \mathrm{J}=12.4,10.5,9.5\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ]; $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 144.6,132.5,132.0,130.5,130.3,128.6$, 127.8, 127.7, 127.4, 127.3, 124.6, 123.2, 55.9, 48.7, 48.0; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$: $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 278.0504, \mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 278.0498; enantiomers separated using a Chiralcel OB-H column [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $\left.=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right], R_{t}=21.1 \mathrm{~min}, R_{t}=26.5 \mathrm{~min}$.

trans-3-(3,4-Dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-amine trans-1 ${ }^{25}$ was prepared from trans-1-azido-3-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene trans-7j according to general method F to give trans-1j as a yellow oil ( $0.067 \mathrm{~g}, 30 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3364 (NH), 3007 (NH), 1469 (CH), 1264 (CN), 732 (CH), 703 $(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.40(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=7.3, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.37-7.20(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \operatorname{ArH}), 7.18(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=2.1, \operatorname{ArH})$, $7.02(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=7.5, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.93(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=8.3,2.1, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.57[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}$ appears ast$, J=6.0, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}], 4.51[1 \mathrm{H}$, $X$ of $A B X, J=8.0,6.0, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}], 2.46-2.22\left[2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{AB}\right.$ of $\left.\mathrm{ABX}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right] ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 147.4,145.6,144.5$, 132.5, 130.4, 130.3, 129.7, 128.2, 127.7, 127.2, 125.2, 123.9, 55.8, 48.2, 46.9; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$: $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$ 278.0498, $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 278.0498 ; enantiomers separated using a Chiralcel $\mathrm{OJ}-\mathrm{H}$ column [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ], $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=17.3 \mathrm{~min}, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=$ 19.5 min .

cis-3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-amine cis-1k was prepared from 3-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-one $\mathbf{2 k}$ according to general method G to give cis-1 $\mathbf{k}$ as a dark green oil ( $0.3 \mathrm{~g}, 50 \%$ ). $\nu_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 2957(\mathrm{NH}), 1508(\mathrm{CH}), 1221(\mathrm{CN}), 1157(\mathrm{CN}), 832(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}), 762(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : $7.40(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{br} d, J=7.5, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.32-7.27(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{br} d, J=7.3, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.23-7.12(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.08-6.94(2 \mathrm{H}$, $\mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.87(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, J=7.5, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.37[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{brt}, J=8.1, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}], 4.16[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dd}, J=10.5,7.1, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}], 2.93(1 \mathrm{H}$, $\mathrm{dt}, J=12.4,7.0$, one of $\left.\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 2.01\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{br} \mathrm{s}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right), 1.76-1.60\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right) \mathrm{ppm} ; \delta_{\mathrm{c}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : $161.6\left(d, J_{C F}=244.6\right), 147.2,145.7,139.9\left(d, J_{C F}=3.2\right), 129.7\left(d, J_{C F}=8.0\right), 127.5,127.1\left(d, J_{C F}=30.6\right), 124.7$, 123.0, 115.3 (d, J $J_{C F}=21.3$ ), 55.9, 48.9, 48.1; $\delta_{F}\left(282 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right):-116.7 \mathrm{ppm} ; \mathrm{HRMS}^{\left(E S I^{-}\right): ~ f o u n d ~[M-H]}$ 226.1028, $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{FN}$ requires 226.1027 ; enantiomers separated using a Chiralcel $\mathrm{OB}-\mathrm{H}$ [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}($ containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA})=95 / 5$, flow rate $\left.=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right], \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=17.4 \mathrm{~min}, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=21.9 \mathrm{~min}$.

trans-3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-amine trans-1k was prepared from trans-1-azido-3-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene trans-7k according to general method F to give trans- $\mathbf{1 k}$ as a colourless oil ( $0.229 \mathrm{~g}, 27 \%$ ). $v_{\text {max }} / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3049 (NH), 1508 (CH), 1265 (CN), 834 (C=C), 732 (CH); $\delta_{H}$ ( $300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) : : $7.40(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{brd}, \mathrm{J}=7.3, \mathrm{ArH}$ ), 7.34-7.16 ( $2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}$ ), $7.13-6.87(5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.62-4.48$ $[2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{C}(1) \& \mathrm{C}(3)], 2.48-2.21\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 1.73\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{s}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 161.5\left(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}_{\mathrm{CF}}=243.9\right)$, $147.5,145.6,140.9\left(d, J_{C F}=3.1\right), 129.1\left(d, J_{C F}=7.8\right), 127.9,127.4,125.3,123.8,115.2\left(d, J_{C F}=21.1\right), 55.9$, 48.1, 47.2; $\delta_{\mathrm{F}}\left(282 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ): - 117.1; $\mathrm{HRMS}\left(\mathrm{ESI}^{+}\right)$: found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]+228.8645, \mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{FN}$ requires 228.8556; enantiomers separated using Chiralcel AS-H [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $\left.=1.0 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right], R_{t}=6.2 \mathrm{~min}, R_{t}=6.8 \mathrm{~min}$.

cis-3-Methyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-amine cis-1 ${ }^{26}$ was prepared from 3-methyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-one $\mathbf{2 I}$ according to general method G to give cis-1I as a brown oil ( $0.216 \mathrm{~g}, 49 \%$ ). $v_{\text {max }} / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2955 ( NH ), 1474 (CH), 1457 (CH), 753 (CH), 730 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ): $7.40-7.09$ ( $4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{ArH}$ ), 4.26 [1H, $\mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=9.3,7.2, \mathrm{CH}], 3.12-2.96[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{CH}], 2.70\left(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{dt}, J=12.1,7.1\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 1.31-1.17(1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}$, one of $\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ ), $1.34\left(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=6.8, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{c}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 147.50,147.45,127.2,126.5,123.0,122.9,56.0$, 47.5, 36.5, 19.4; enantiomers separated using a Phenomenex Amylose 1 column [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing $2 \%$ DEA) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $\left.=0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right], R_{t}=27.9 \mathrm{~min}, R_{t}=30.1 \mathrm{~min}$.

trans-3-Methyl-2,3-dihydro-1H-inden-1-amine trans-1| ${ }^{26}$ was prepared from trans-1-azido-3-methyl-2,3-dihydro- $1 H$-indene trans- 71 according to general method F to give trans-11 (0.210 g, 39\%). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): $2954(\mathrm{NH}), 1475(\mathrm{CH}), 1457(\mathrm{CH}), 750(\mathrm{CH}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.40-7.12$ (4H, m, ArH), 4.34 [1H, dd appears as $\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=6.5, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}], 3.51-3.26[1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}], 2.13-1.93\left(2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{m}, \mathrm{CH}_{2}\right), 1.24\left(3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{d}, \mathrm{J}=7.0, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)$; $\delta_{C}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 148.1,146.8,127.6,126.7,123.7,123.6,55.7,45.5,36.9,20.7$; enantiomers separated using a Chiracel AS-H column [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5$ $\left.\mathrm{mL} \mathrm{min}{ }^{-1}\right], R_{t}=10.0 \mathrm{~min}, R_{t}=12.6 \mathrm{~min}$.

cis-5-Amino-9-phenyl-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-5H-benzo[7]annulene cis-1m was prepared from cis-5-(Boc-amino)-9-phenyl-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-5H-benzo[7] annulene cis-8m according to general method I to give a colourless oil ( 0.041 g, 98 \%). $v_{\max }(\mathrm{ATR}): 2921$ (NH), 2852 (NH), 1599 (C=C), 1495 (CH), 1447 (CH); $\delta_{H}(500$ $\mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 7.58 (dd, J = 7.7, 1.4, 1H, ArH), $7.45-7.33(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.33-7.16(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.02(\mathrm{td}, \mathrm{J}$ $=7.5,1.4,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.53(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.53(\mathrm{~d}, J=9.8,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(5) \mathrm{H}), 4.29(\mathrm{dd}, J=10.2,2.0,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(9) \mathrm{H})$, 2.28 - $2.14\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(8) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.06-1.75\left(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(7) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(6) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(8) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.75-1.42$ ( $\mathrm{m}, 3 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\mathrm{C}(6) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}$ ); $\delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(125 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 145.2, 144.2, 129.0, 128.6, 127.2, 126.4, 126.3, 122.9, 53.4, 48.1, 37.4, 33.4, 28.8; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 238.1587, \mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 238.1590; the enantiomers of cis-1m were not analysed by chiral HPLC; the resulting reaction solution from the relevant biotransformations were subject to Boc protection (according to general method H , the Boc-protected amines were then analysed by chiral HPLC spectroscopy, as per conditions detailed for cis-8m.

trans-5-Amino-9-phenyl-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-5H-benzo[7]annulene trans-1m was prepared from trans-5-(Boc-amino)-9-phenyl-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-5H-benzo[7]annulene trans-8m according to general method I to give a colourless oil ( $0.081 \mathrm{~g}, 97 \%$ ). $v_{\max }(\mathrm{ATR}): 2923$ (NH), 2854 (NH), 1600 (C=C), 1494 (CH), 1445 (CH); $\delta_{H}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.47(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.6,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.30(\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=7.6,2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.27-7.18(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.17-$ $7.08(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.93(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.5,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.55$ (dd, $J=8.0,3.4,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(9) \mathrm{H}), 4.09$ (dd, $J=8.9,2.6,1 \mathrm{H}$, $\mathrm{C}(5) \mathrm{H}), 2.39-2.24\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(8) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.14-2.06\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(8) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.95-1.63\left(\mathrm{~m}, 6 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(6) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right.$, $\left.\mathrm{C}(7) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{NH}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(125 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 145.1,143.9,142.4,130.6,128.5,128.0,126.9,126.8,125.9,54.8,49.6$, 36.6, 32.3, 23.9; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$238.1593, $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{~N}$ requires 238.1590; enantiomers not separated by chiral HPLC.

## 1.6 ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra of ketones, alcohols, azides and amines

## ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra of ketone compounds


























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### 1.6.2 ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra of alcohol compounds





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### 1.6.3 ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra of azide compounds












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### 1.6.4 ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra of amine compounds









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### 1.7 Synthesis of ketone 2d intermediates with corresponding spectra

## 1-Hydroxy-7-methoxy-1-phenyltetralin 3



Bromobenzene ( $7.17 \mathrm{ml}, 68 \mathrm{mmol}, 1.2 \mathrm{eq}$ ) and a few crystals of iodine were added to a suspension of magnesium turnings ( $1.79 \mathrm{~g}, 74 \mathrm{mmol}, 1.3 \mathrm{eq}$ ) in $\mathrm{dry}_{\mathrm{Et}}^{2} \mathrm{O}(60 \mathrm{ml})$ and the mixture was heated under reflux for 2 h . After the addition of 7-methoxy-1-tetralone ( $10 \mathrm{~g}, 57 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq}$ ) the mixture was stirred under reflux for another 2 h . The reaction was carefully quenched with aq. $1 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{HCl}(30 \mathrm{ml})$ on ice and filtered through Celite ${ }^{\circledR}$. The two layers were separated, and the organic layer was washed with aq. $1 \mathrm{M} \mathrm{HCl}(60$ $\mathrm{ml})$ and brine ( 60 ml ), dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The title product was obtained by flash column chromatography ( $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ : hexane $80: 20$ to $100: 0$ ) as a colourless oil ( 10.30 g , $71 \%) . v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 3451(\mathrm{OH}), 2935(\mathrm{OH}), 1610(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}), 1495(\mathrm{CH}), 1234,1034(\mathrm{CO}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : $7.34-7.10(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.03(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=8.5,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.74(\mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=8.5,2.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.55(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=2.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}$ ), $3.60\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OCH}_{3}\right), 2.88-2.66\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.13(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OH}), 2.11-2.00\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.99-1.79$ ( $\mathrm{m}, 1 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ), $1.79-1.62\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 158.2, 148.8, 143.1, 130.0, 130.0, 127.9, 126.8, 126.6, 114.4, 113.3, 75.8, 55.4, 41.7, 29.1, 19.9; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$) found [M+Na] ${ }^{+} 277.1193$, $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{Na}$ requires 277.1190.

## 7-Methoxy-1-phenyl-3,4-dihydronaphthalene $4^{30}$



A solution of 1-hydroxy-7-methoxy-1-phenyltetralin ( $10.17 \mathrm{~g}, 40 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq}$ ) and $p$-toluenesulfonic acid monohydrate ( $0.380 \mathrm{~g}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}, 5 \mathrm{~mol} \%$ ) in toluene ( 200 ml ) was heated to reflux for 6 h with a DeanStark trap attached. The reaction mixture was then washed with sat. aq. $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}(200 \mathrm{ml}), \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(200 \mathrm{ml})$ and brine ( 200 ml ), dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The title product was obtained by flash column chromatography (hexane:EtOAc 9:1) as a colourless oil ( $7.590 \mathrm{~g}, 80 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-}$ ${ }^{1}$ (ATR): 2933 (CH), 2830 (CH), 1602 (C=C), 1489 (CH), 1226 (CO), 1044 (CO); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.46-$ $7.29(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.13(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.2,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.73(\mathrm{dd}, J=8.2,2.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.62(\mathrm{~d}, J=2.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.12$ $(\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=4.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}), 3.69\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OCH}_{3}\right), 2.80\left(\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=7.9,2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.48-2.32\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}(75$ $\mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): 158.3, 140.8, 140.0, 136.3, 129.1, 128.9, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 127.2, 112.2, 111.7, 55.4, 27.5, 24.0.

## 7-Methoxy-1-phenyltetralin $5^{31}$



Triethylsilane ( $6.76 \mathrm{ml}, 42.5 \mathrm{mmol}, 5 \mathrm{eq}$ ) was slowly added to a mixture of 6 -methoxy-4-phenyl-1,2dihydronaphthalene ( $2.01 \mathrm{~g}, 85 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq}$ ) and $10 \% \mathrm{Pd} / \mathrm{C}(0.201 \mathrm{~g}, 10 \mathrm{wt} \%$ ) in $\mathrm{MeOH}(21 \mathrm{ml})$ under a nitrogen atmosphere. The mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature, filtered through Celite ${ }^{\circledR}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The byproduct $\mathrm{Et}_{3} \mathrm{SiOMe}$ was removed overnight under high vacuum ( $<0.1 \mathrm{~mm} \mathrm{Hg}$ ). The title product was obtained by flash column chromatography (hexane:EtOAc 9:1) as a white solid ( $1.865 \mathrm{~g}, 92 \%$ ); m.p.: $53-55^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\left(\mathrm{lit} .{ }^{30} 55^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right.$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2921 (CH), 1607 (C=C), 1496 (CH), 1276 (CO), 1038 (CO); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.35-7.14$ (m, 3H, ArH), $7.14-6.99(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH})$, 6.71 (dd, $J=8.4,2.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.38(\mathrm{~d}, J=2.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.08(\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=6.6,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}), 3.64\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OCH}_{3}\right), 2.91$ - $2.67\left(m, 2 H, C(4) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.23-2.05\left(m, 1 H\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.96-1.63\left(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}(75$ $\mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $157.6,147.4,140.6,130.0,129.9,129.0,128.4,126.1,115.0,112.5,55.3,46.0,33.4,29.1$, 21.2.










### 1.8 Synthesis of ketone $\mathbf{2 f}$ intermediates

Methyl cinnamate ${ }^{32}$


Concentrated sulfuric acid ( 3 ml ) was added to a solution of trans-cinnamic acid ( $15 \mathrm{~g}, 101.2 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq}$ ) in $\mathrm{MeOH}(120 \mathrm{ml})$ and the mixture was heated to reflux for 16 h . The mixture was neutralized with NaOH pellets and MeOH was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was dissolved in EtOAc ( 150 ml ), washed with sat. aq. $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ and brine, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The title product was obtained as a white solid ( 16.33 g , $99 \%$ ); m.p.: $32-34^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit..$^{32} 34^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). $v_{\text {max }} / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2945, 1711, 1636, 1314, 1165, 981; $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ): 7.70 (d, J = 16.0, 1H, PhCH), $7.58-7.46(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}$, ArH), $7.44-7.33(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.44(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=16.0,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{COOMeCH}), 3.80\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : $167.5,145.0,134.5,130.4,129.0,128.2,117.9,51.8$.

## 3,4-Diphenylbutanoic acid ${ }^{7}$



A flask was charged with magnesium turnings ( $5.3 \mathrm{~g}, 215 \mathrm{~mol}, 3.44 \mathrm{eq}$ ) and dry THF ( 80 ml ) under a nitrogen atmosphere at $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Benzyl chloride ( $10 \mathrm{ml}, 87 \mathrm{mmol}, 1.39 \mathrm{eq}$ ) was slowly added and the reaction mixture stirred for 2 h at room temperature. To a different flask was consecutively added $\mathrm{Cul}(11.9 \mathrm{~g}, 62.5$ $\mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq}$ ), dry THF ( 125 ml ) and TMEDA ( $10.3 \mathrm{ml}, 68.8 \mathrm{mmol}, 1.1 \mathrm{eq}$ ) under a nitrogen atmosphere. After stirring at room temperature for 15 min the solution became brown in colour and the flask was cooled to $-60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The BnMgCl solution was transferred via a cannula, upon which the colour of the solution changed to yellow and a solid formed. The mixture was stirred for 10 min before a solution of TMSCI (19.8 $\mathrm{ml}, 156.3 \mathrm{mmol}, 2.5 \mathrm{eq}$ ) and methyl cinnamate ( $10 \mathrm{~g}, 62.5 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq}$ ) in dry THF ( 40 ml ) was added, after which the colour changed to red immediately. The reaction mixture was stirred at $-30^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 5 h and a further 16 h at $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, before it was quenched by adding saturated $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ in concentrated $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{OH}(250 \mathrm{ml})$ and stirred for 30 min at room temperature. The top (THF) layer was separated and the blue aqueous
layer was extracted with diethyl ether $(3 \times 100 \mathrm{ml})$. The combined organic layer was washed with saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}(\times 2)$ and brine $(\times 2)$, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was used for the next step without further purification. Aqueous KOH (25.5 $\mathrm{g}, 455 \mathrm{mmol}$ in $70 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{H} \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ) was added to the crude ester and the mixture was heated at reflux for 2 h . After cooling to room temperature, the aqueous solution was acidified to $\mathrm{pH} 5-6$, and then extracted with $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(3 \times 50 \mathrm{ml})$. The combined organic layers were dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was recrystallised from hexane to yield the title product as a white solid ( 8.852 g, $59 \%$ ); m.p.: $92-93^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit. $.^{33} 91-92.5^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): $3028,2855,1703,1407,1428,1237 ; \delta_{\text {H }}$ (300 MHz; CDCl 3 ): 10.74 (br s, 1H, COOH), $7.40-6.75(\mathrm{~m}, 10 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 3.47-3.29(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}), 3.03-$ $2.80\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.77-2.51\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 178.4,143.3,139.4,129.4,128.6$, 128.4, 127.6, 126.8, 126.4, 43.7, 43.1, 39.9.

## 1-Iodo-3,4-diphenylbutane


$\mathrm{LiAlH}_{4}$ (2 M in THF, $9.06 \mathrm{ml}, 18.12 \mathrm{mmol}, 2 \mathrm{eq}$ ) was slowly added to a solution of 3,4-diphenylbutanoic acid $(2.18 \mathrm{~g}, 9.06 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq})$ in THF $(18 \mathrm{ml})$ at $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ under a nitrogen atmosphere and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 18 h . A 10:1 mixture of THF and water was added carefully to quench the reaction and the mixture was filtered through Celite ${ }^{\circledR}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was used for the next step without further purification.
To a mixture of imidazole ( $2.5 \mathrm{~g}, 36.25 \mathrm{mmol}, 4 \mathrm{eq}$ ) and $\mathrm{PPh}_{3}(7.13 \mathrm{~g}, 27.2 \mathrm{mmol}, 3 \mathrm{eq})$ in $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(40 \mathrm{ml})$ under a nitrogen atmosphere at $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ was added iodine ( $6.90 \mathrm{~g}, 27.2 \mathrm{mmol}, 3 \mathrm{eq}$ ) and the reaction mixture was stirred for 5 min . The crude alcohol, dissolved in $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(5 \mathrm{ml})$ was added and then it was stirred at room temperature overnight. The solution was filtered through Celite ${ }^{\circledR}$ and washed with saturated aqueous sodium thiosulfate, water and brine. The organic layers were combined, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. Then hexane was added, the mixture filtered and the filtrate evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane) to afford the title product as a colourless oil ( $2.404 \mathrm{~g}, 79 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): $3026,2924,1494,1452,1228$; $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.49-6.85(\mathrm{~m}, 10 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 3.15-2.66\left(\mathrm{~m}, 5 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.31$ - $2.02(\mathrm{~m}$,
$\left.2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 143.1,139.9,129.2,128.7,128.3,127.9,126.8,126.2,48.5,43.3,39.3$, 5.1.

## 2-(3',4'-Diphenylbutyl)-1,3-dithiane


n-BuLi ( 2.5 M in hexanes, $5.24 \mathrm{ml}, 13.1 \mathrm{mmol}, 1.9 \mathrm{eq}$ ) was added dropwise to a stirred solution of 1,3dithiane ( $1.66 \mathrm{~g}, 13.8 \mathrm{mmol}, 2 \mathrm{eq}$ ) in THF ( 38 ml ) at $-30^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ under a nitrogen. The mixture was stirred at $30^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 2 h , followed by the dropwise addition of a solution of 1-iodo-3,4-diphenylbutane ( $2.32 \mathrm{~g}, 6.9$ $\mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq}$ ) in THF ( 15 ml ). The reaction mixture was stirred for another 40 min at $-30^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and then quenched with saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$. The resulting biphasic mixture was extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 20$ ml ) and the combined organic layers were dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. Column chromatography (hexane) yielded the title product as a colourless oil ( $2.224 \mathrm{~g}, 98 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3026, 2933, 1495, 1452; $\delta_{H}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.50-6.63(\mathrm{~m}, 10 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 3.91(\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=6.9,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H})$, 3.09 - $2.61\left(\mathrm{~m}, 7 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}\left(3^{\prime}\right) \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{C}(6) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{C}\left(4^{\prime}\right) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.15$ - $1.98\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(5) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.98-1.70(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(5) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{C}\left(2^{\prime}\right) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.70-1.46\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 144.3, 140.5, 129.3, 128.5, 128.2, 127.8, 126.4, 126.0, 48.0, 47.8, 43.9, 33.6, 32.6, 30.6, 30.5, 26.1; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$) found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 329.1384$, $\mathrm{C}_{20} \mathrm{H}_{25} \mathrm{~S}_{2}$ requires 329.1392.

## 4,5-Diphenylpentanal



To a mixture of 2-(3,4-diphenylbutyl)-1,3-dithiane ( $3.12 \mathrm{~g}, 9.5 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq}$ ) and $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}(11.97 \mathrm{~g}, 142.5$ $\mathrm{mmol}, 15 \mathrm{eq}$ ) in MeCN/water ( $95 \mathrm{~mL} / 19 \mathrm{~mL}$ ) at room temperature was added $\mathrm{Mel}(5.91 \mathrm{ml}, 95 \mathrm{mmol}, 10$ eq) and the resulting mixture was stirred for 22 h . The reaction mixture was diluted with EtOAc and washed with aqueous sodium thiosulfate and brine. The organic layers were combined, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$
and concentrated under reduced pressure to provide the crude aldehyde, which was purified by column chromatography (hexane:EtOAc 1:0 to 9:1) to afford the title product as a colourless oil ( $2.042 \mathrm{~g}, 90 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2923, 1721, 1495, 1453, 1056, 908; $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 9.59(\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=1.6,1 \mathrm{H}), 7.44-6.73$ (m, 10H), $2.99-2.74(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.28-2.18(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.13-1.75(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}) ; \delta_{\mathrm{c}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 202.2,143.8$, 140.2, 129.2, 128.7, 128.3, 127.8, 126.7, 126.1, 47.4, 43.9, 42.2, 27.8; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$) found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{Na}]^{+}$ 261.1241, $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{ONa}$ requires 261.1250.

4,5-Diphenylpentanoic acid ${ }^{8}$


A solution of $\mathrm{NaClO}_{2}(80 \%, 1.25 \mathrm{~g}, 11.07 \mathrm{mmol}, 3.5 \mathrm{eq})$ and $\mathrm{NaH}_{2} \mathrm{PO}_{4} \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(2.47 \mathrm{~g}, 15.82 \mathrm{mmol}, 5 \mathrm{eq})$ in $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}(10 \mathrm{ml})$ was slowly added over 1.5 h to a mixture of 4,5-diphenylpentanal ( $0.754 \mathrm{~g}, 3.16 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq}$ ) and 2- methylbut-2-ene ( $4.69 \mathrm{ml}, 44.29 \mathrm{mmol}, 14 \mathrm{eq}$ ) in $t$ - $\mathrm{BuOH}(20 \mathrm{ml}$ ) and the reaction mixture was stirred for another 45 min . After this time, it was diluted with saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}(20 \mathrm{ml})$ and extracted with EtOAc $(3 \times 20 \mathrm{ml})$, the combined organic layers were washed with brine and dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was dissolved in aq. 1 M KOH and washed with $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}(2 \times 20 \mathrm{ml})$. The solution was acidified to pH 2 and extracted with $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(4 \times$ 20 ml ). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure to give the title product as colourless oil ( $0.754 \mathrm{~g}, 94 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3027, 2926, 1703, 1453, 1412; $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ): 9.71 (br s, 1H, COOH), $7.38-6.90(\mathrm{~m}, 10 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 3.05-2.75$ (m, $\left.3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(5) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.27-1.72\left(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 179.6,143.7,140.2,129.2$, $128.6,128.3,127.9,126.7,126.1,47.4,43.8,32.2,30.4$.










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### 1.9 Synthesis of ketone 2 m intermediate and corresponding spectra

## 3,3-Diphenylpropanoic acid ${ }^{34}$



A flask was charged with magnesium turnings ( $5.32 \mathrm{~g}, 218.8 \mathrm{~mol}, 3.5 \mathrm{eq}$ ) and dry THF ( 80 ml ) under a nitrogen atmosphere at $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Bromobenzene ( $13.2 \mathrm{ml}, 125 \mathrm{mmol}, 2 \mathrm{eq}$ ) was slowly added and the reaction mixture stirred for 2 h at room temperature. To a different flask was consecutively added Cul ( $11.9 \mathrm{~g}, 62.5$ $\mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq}$ ), dry THF ( 125 ml ) and TMEDA ( $10.3 \mathrm{ml}, 68.8 \mathrm{mmol}, 1.1 \mathrm{eq}$ ) under a nitrogen atmosphere. After stirring at room temperature for 15 min , the flask was cooled to $-60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The PhMgBr solution was transferred via a cannula and the solution was stirred for 10 min before a solution of TMSCl ( 19.8 ml , $156.3 \mathrm{mmol}, 2.5 \mathrm{eq}$ ) and methyl cinnamate ( $10 \mathrm{~g}, 62.5 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq}$ ) in dry THF ( 40 ml ) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at $-30^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 5 h and a further 16 h at $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, before it was quenched by adding saturated $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ in $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{OH}(250 \mathrm{ml})$ and stirred for 30 min at room temperature. The top (THF) layer was separated and the blue aqueous layer was extracted with diethyl ether ( $3 \times 100 \mathrm{ml}$ ). The combined organic layer was washed with saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}(\times 2)$ and brine $(\times 2)$, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was used for the next step without further purification. Aqueous $\mathrm{KOH}\left(25.5 \mathrm{~g}, 455 \mathrm{mmol}\right.$ in $70 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ ) was added to the crude ester and the mixture was heated at reflux for 2 h . After cooling to room temperature, the aqueous solution was acidified to $\mathrm{pH} 5-6$, and then extracted with $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(3 \times 50 \mathrm{ml})$. The combined organic layers were dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was dissolved in $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ and precipitated by slow addition of hexane to yield the title product as a white solid ( $7.716 \mathrm{~g}, 55 \%$ ); m.p.: $152-154{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit. ${ }^{35} 155$ ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): $3025,1711,1493,1452,1066 ; \delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.35-7.02$ (m, 10H, ArH), 4.55 $(\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=7.5,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}), 3.11\left(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=7.5,2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 206.7,143.9,128.7,127.8,126.5$, 49.7, 45.8.

## 1-lodo-3,3-diphenylpropane ${ }^{36}$


$\mathrm{LiAlH}_{4}(1 \mathrm{M}$ in THF, $18.6 \mathrm{ml}, 18.6 \mathrm{mmol}, 2 \mathrm{eq}$ ) was slowly added to a solution of 3,4-diphenylpropanoic acid $(2.10 \mathrm{~g}, 9.3 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq})$ in THF $(9.3 \mathrm{ml})$ at $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ under a nitrogen atmosphere and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 18 h . Water was added carefully to quench the reaction and the mixture was filtered through Celite ${ }^{\circledR}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was used for the next step without further purification. To a mixture of imidazole ( $2.53 \mathrm{~g}, 37.2 \mathrm{mmol}, 4 \mathrm{eq}$ ) and $\mathrm{PPh}_{3}$ ( $7.32 \mathrm{~g}, 27.9 \mathrm{mmol}, 3 \mathrm{eq}$ ) in $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(40 \mathrm{ml})$ under a nitrogen atmosphere at $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ was added iodine ( 7.08 g , 27.9 mmol, 3 eq ) and the reaction mixture was stirred for 5 min . The crude alcohol, dissolved in $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ (5 ml ) was added and then it was stirred at room temperature overnight. The solution was filtered through Celite ${ }^{\circledR}$ and washed with saturated aqueous sodium thiosulfate, water and brine. The organic layers were combined, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. Then hexane was added, the mixture filtered and the filtrate evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane) to afford the title product as a colourless oil ( $1.232 \mathrm{~g}, 41 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3024, 1492, 1450, 1227; $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.43-7.09(\mathrm{~m}, 10 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 4.11(\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=7.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}), 3.09$ ( $\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=7.0,2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}_{2}$ ), 2.55 (apparent $\left.\mathrm{q}, J=7.1,2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 143.4,128.8,128.0,126.7$, 51.5, 39.2, 5.4.

## Diethyl 2-(3', $\mathbf{3}^{\prime}$-diphenylpropyl)malonate ${ }^{36}$


$\mathrm{NaH}(60 \%, 0.172 \mathrm{~g}, 4.31 \mathrm{mmol}, 2.4 \mathrm{eq})$ was added to a solution of diethyl malonate ( $0.39 \mathrm{ml}, 2.58 \mathrm{mmol}$, $1.5 \mathrm{eq})$ in dry THF ( 10 mL ) at room temperature under a nitrogen atmosphere and the mixture was stirred for 20 min . Then a solution of 1-iodo-3,3-diphenylpropane ( $0.555 \mathrm{~g}, 1.72 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq}$ ) in dry THF ( 5 mL )
was added and heated at reflux for 18 h . After cooling down to room temperature water was added and the reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 10 \mathrm{ml}$ ). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (hexane:EtOAc 9:1) to give the title product as a colourless oil ( $0.355 \mathrm{~g}, 69 \%$ ). $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 2981, 1728, 1216, 1145 1032; $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 7.36 - 7.11 (m, 10H, ArH), $4.25-4.08$ $\left(\mathrm{m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, 2 \times \mathrm{OCH}_{2}\right), 3.92\left(\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=7.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}\left(3^{\prime}\right) \mathrm{H}\right), 3.34(\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=7.4,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}), 2.16-1.99\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}\left(2^{\prime}\right) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.97$ $-1.80\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}\left(1^{\prime}\right) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.24\left(\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=7.1,6 \mathrm{H}, 2 \times \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 169.4,144.5,128.6,127.9,126.4$, 61.5, 52.1, 51.3, 33.4, 27.4, 14.2.

## 5,5-Diphenylpentanoic acid ${ }^{36}$



To a solution of diethyl 2-(3,3-diphenylpropyl)malonate ( $0.783 \mathrm{~g}, 2.63 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{eq}$ ) in EtOH ( 10 ml ) was added $\mathrm{NaOH}(2 \mathrm{M}$, aq., $6.6 \mathrm{ml}, 13.13 \mathrm{mmol}, 5 \mathrm{eq}$ ). Then the mixture was heated at reflux for 2 h , after which EtOH was evaporated under reduced pressure and the aqueous solution was washed with EtOAc. Then the aqueous phase was acidified with 5 M HCl to pH 1 and extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 10 \mathrm{ml}$ ), the combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was then heated at $185^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ with stirring for 3 h , dissolved in 3 M KOH and washed with $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{O}$. The aqueous phase was acidified with aq. 5 M HCl to pH 1 and extracted with $\mathrm{EtOAc}(3 \times 10$ ml ), the combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure to give the title product as a white solid ( $0.511 \mathrm{~g}, 72 \%$ ); m.p.: 90-92 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (lit. $.^{10} 92.5-93.5$ $\left.{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right) . v_{\text {max }} / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 3025,2937,1705 ; \delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.40-7.06(\mathrm{~m}, 10 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 3.90(\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=7.8,1 \mathrm{H}$, $\mathrm{C}(5) \mathrm{H}), 2.37\left(\mathrm{t}, \mathrm{J}=7.4,2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.20-2.01\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.73-1.49\left(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}(75 \mathrm{MHz} ;$ $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 179.0,144.8,128.6,127.9,126.4,51.3,35.1,33.9,23.4$.





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### 1.10 Synthesis of Boc-protected amines with corresponding spectra

## General Method G - Reductive Amination

A mixture of ketone ( 1 eq ), titanium isopropoxide ( 3 eq ) and methanolic ammonia ( $2 \mathrm{M}, 10 \mathrm{eq}$ ) was stirred under nitrogen for 16 h . The reaction mixture was cooled to $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and sodium borohydride ( 1.5 eq ) was added. The mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for 3 h . The reaction was quenched by pouring onto ammonium hydroxide (2M) and stirred for 5-10 min. The inorganic precipitate was removed by filtration and the filter cake was washed with $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$. The layers were separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}(\times 2)$. The combined organic layers were concentrated, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$ and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the crude amine

Boc protection: A solution of crude amine and di-tert-butyl-dicarbonate (1 eq) was stirred at room temperature for $3-16 \mathrm{~h}$ and then concentrated under reduced pressure. The NHBoc diastereomers were separated by flash column chromatography (hexane/CHCl $/$ / $\mathrm{EtOAc} 18: 2: 1$ ).

1-(Boc-amino)-6-methoxy-4-phenyltetralin 8d was prepared from 5,8-dimethyl-4-phenyltetral-1-one according to general method G with subsequent Boc protection and purification of the diastereomers to afford;

cis-1-(Boc-amino)-6-methoxy-4-phenyltetralin cis-8d as a white solid ( $0.150 \mathrm{~g}, 11 \%$ ); m.p.: 121-122 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 3331(\mathrm{NH}), 2935(\mathrm{NH}), 1688$ (C=C), 1494 (CH), 1238 (CN), 1159 (CN); $\delta_{H}\left(300 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right)$ : 7.38 - 7.15 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.14 - 7.01 (m, 2H, ArH), 6.77 (dd, J = 8.6, 2.6, 1H, ArH), 6.36 (d, J = 2.6, 1H, ArH), 4.84 (br s, 2H, C(1)H, NH), 4.09-3.94(m, 1H, C(4)H), $3.63\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{OCH}_{3}\right), 2.20-2.02\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of C(3) $\mathrm{H}_{2}$ ), 2.02 - $1.78\left(\mathrm{~m}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right)$, $1.49\left(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}, 3 \times \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{c}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 158.8,155.5,146.5$, 141.2, 130.3, 130.1, 128.9, 128.5, 126.4, 114.6, 113.3, 79.5, 55.3, 48.5, 45.9, 29.5, 28.6, 28.2; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$354.2060, $\mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{NO}_{3}$ requires 354.2064; enantiomers separated using a Phenomenex Amylose 1 column [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ], $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}$ $=10.8 \mathrm{~min}, R_{t}=14.2 \mathrm{~min}$.

trans-1-(Boc-amino)-6-methoxy-4-phenyltetralin, trans-8d as a white solid (0.211 g, 15\%); m.p.: 105-107 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} . v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3346 (NH), 2934 (NH), 1692 (C=C), 1494 (CH), 1239 (CN), 1164 (CN); $\delta_{H}(300 \mathrm{MHz}$; $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $7.39-7.16(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.11$ - $7.00(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.79(\mathrm{dd}, J=8.6,2.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 6.37(\mathrm{dd}, J=2.7$, $0.9,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 5.04-4.75(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(1) \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{NH}), 4.18-4.01(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(4) \mathrm{H}), 3.64\left(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right), 2.28-2.06(\mathrm{~m}$, 2 H , one of $\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.99-1.82\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(3) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.81-1.64\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(2) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right)$, $1.51\left(\mathrm{~s}, 9 \mathrm{H}, 3 \times \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(75 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 158.7,155.7,146.5,141.1,130.5,129.4,128.8,128.4,126.3$, 114.7, 113.2, 79.4, 55.2, 48.7, 45.8, 30.3, 28.8, 28.6; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 354.2061, \mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{NO}_{3}$ requires 354.2064; enantiomers separated using a Phenomenex Amylose 1 column [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $\left.=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right], \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=14.7 \mathrm{~min}, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=28.0 \mathrm{~min}$.

5-(Boc-amino)-9-phenyl-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-5H-benzo[7]annulene 8 m was prepared from 9-Phenylbenzosuber-5-one $\mathbf{2 m}$ according to general method G with subsequent Boc protection and purification of the diastereomers to afford;

cis-5-(Boc-amino)-9-phenyl-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-5H-benzo[7]annulene, cis-8m as a white solid (0.092 g, 16\%); m.p.: $179-180^{\circ} \mathrm{C} ; v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ (ATR): 3334 (NH), 2928 (NH), 1693 (C=C), 1495 (CH), 1365 (CH), 1248 (CN), 1164 (CN); $\delta_{H}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ ): 7.42 - 7.34 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.34 - $7.20(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{ArH}), 7.20-7.14$ (m, 1H, ArH), 7.08 - 6.95 (m, 1H, ArH), 6.60 (br s, 1H, ArH), 5.15 (br s, 1H, C(5)H), 4.94 (br s, 1H, NH), 4.35 (d, $J=9.7,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(9), 2.32-2.15\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(8) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.12-1.80\left(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(7) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right.$, one of $\mathrm{C}(8) \mathrm{H}_{2}$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(6) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.71-1.58\left(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(6) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right)$, $1.47\left(\mathrm{br} \mathrm{s}, 9 \mathrm{H}, 3 \times \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(125 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 155.1,144.7$,
143.6, 142.0, 128.9, 128.6, 128.2, 126.8, 126.4, 126.4, 79.6, 53.4, 48.2, 35.0, 32.9, 28.6; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$338.2119, $\mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{NO}_{2}$ requires 338.2115; enantiomers separated using a Phenomenex Amylose 1 column [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}($ containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA})=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ], $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=8.9 \mathrm{~min}$, $R_{t}=9.5 \mathrm{~min}$.

trans-5-(Boc-amino)-9-phenyl-6,7,8,9-tetrahydro-5H-benzo[7]annulene, trans-8m, as a white solid ( 0.130 g, 23\%); m.p.: $171-173^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; $v_{\max } / \mathrm{cm}^{-1}(\mathrm{ATR}): 3284$ (NH), 2928 (NH), 1694 (C=C), 1495 (CH), 1365 (CH), 1167 (CN); $\delta_{\mathrm{H}}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 7.48-7.28$ (m, 3H, ArH), $7.25-7.02$ (m, 5H, ArH), 6.83 (br s, 1H, ArH), $5.19-4.51(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(5) \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{NH}), 4.37(\mathrm{dd}, J=8.4,3.6,1 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(9) \mathrm{H}), 2.24\left(\mathrm{br} \mathrm{s}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right.$, one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(8) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.13(\mathrm{br} \mathrm{s}$, 1 H , one of $\left.\mathrm{C}(8) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 2.03-1.71\left(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}, \mathrm{C}(6) \mathrm{H}_{2}, \mathrm{C}(7) \mathrm{H}_{2}\right), 1.44\left(\mathrm{br} \mathrm{s}, 9 \mathrm{H}, 3 \times \mathrm{CH}_{3}\right) ; \delta_{\mathrm{C}}\left(125 \mathrm{MHz} ; \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): 155.1$, $143.7,142.5,141.7,130.6,128.7,128.2,127.6,127.4,126.8,126.2,79.5,55.1,50.1,33.4,33.1,28.6,23.9$; HRMS (ESI ${ }^{+}$): found $[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+} 338.2110, \mathrm{C}_{22} \mathrm{H}_{28} \mathrm{NO}_{2}$ requires 338.2115 ; enantiomers not separated by chiral HPLC.

















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Racemic ketone and amine samples were used for chiral HPLC method development to identify the conditions required to separate the enantiomers of each component. In some cases, two distinct sets of conditions were required to resolve the enantiomers for the ketones and amines, while in other both components could be resolve using one set of chiral HPLC conditions. In all instances the reference chromatograms of the racemic ketone and amines were used to identify the relevant peaks in the chromatograms of the reaction mixtures containing both ketone and amine components. A concentration of approximately $1 \mathrm{mg} / \mathrm{mL}$ was used for all samples analysed by chiral HPLC analysis. In all cases the chromatograms of the racemic ketone and amines are included above the chromatogram for the reaction mixture to facilitate interpretation.


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: | ---: |
| 1 | 16.295 | 13668754 | 49.99 | 893442 | 5474 |
| 2 | 18.016 | 13672750 | 50.01 | 809499 | 5474 |

Phenomenex Cellulose 4 [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL}$ $\left.\mathrm{min}^{-1}\right]$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 19.088 | 1682191 | 49.70 | 88456 | 5477 |
| 2 | 23.807 | 1702693 | 50.30 | 63767 | 5477 |

Phenomenex Cellulose 4 [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL}$ $\left.\mathrm{min}^{-1}\right]$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 16.144 | 1385802 | 25.35 | 90366 | 5480 |
| 2 | 17.828 | 2747377 | 50.26 | 164362 | 5480 |
| 3 | 19.209 | 656555 | 12.01 | 35124 | 5480 |
| 4 | 24.013 | 676493 | 12.38 | 27477 | 5480 |

Phenomenex Cellulose 4 [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL}$ $\mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: | ---: |
| 1 | 29.534 | 6281423 | 48.59 | 99644 | 2183 |
| 2 | 31.616 | 6645404 | 51.41 | 95937 | 2183 |

Chiralcel AS-H [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ i \operatorname{PrOH}($ containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA})=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: | ---: |
| 1 | 22.993 | 13101266 | 49.54 | 207073 | 2186 |
| 2 | 24.848 | 13346557 | 50.46 | 189124 | 2186 |

Chiralcel AS-H [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ i \operatorname{PrOH}($ containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA})=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ]


Chiralcel AS-H [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing $2 \%$ DEA) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ]

The enantiomers of cis- and trans-1d were not readily resolved by chiral HPLC; accordingly the resulting reaction solutions from the relevant biotransformations were subject to Boc protection (according to general method H ) and then analysed by chiral HPLC, as per conditions detailed below for cis- and trans-8d


Phenomenex Amylose 1 [conditions: $n$-hexane/ $i \operatorname{PrOH}$ (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL}$ $\mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 10.845 | 990243 | 49.13 | 82324 | 3224 |
| 2 | 14.219 | 1025228 | 50.87 | 52738 | 3224 |

Phenomenex Amylose 1 [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL}$ $\min ^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: | ---: |
| 1 | 10.282 | 7666276 | 37.88 | 697858 | 5542 |
| 2 | 13.352 | 3115191 | 15.39 | 212185 | 5542 |
| 3 | 17.546 | 9116479 | 45.04 | 581847 | 5542 |
| 4 | 18.504 | 341735 | 1.69 | 21405 | 5542 |

Phenomenex Amylose 1 [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL}$ $\min ^{-1}$ ]


Phenomenex Amylose 1 [conditions: $n$-hexane/ iPrOH (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL}$ $\min ^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 13.834 | 6298704 | 30.65 | 416688 | 5522 |
| 2 | 17.686 | 1273190 | 6.20 | 78166 | 5522 |
| 3 | 18.578 | 12792177 | 62.25 | 726192 | 5522 |
| 4 | 24.743 | 186088 | 0.91 | 5479 | 5522 |

Phenomenex Amylose 1 [conditions: $n$-hexane/ $i \operatorname{PrOH}$ (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL}$ $\min ^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 22.687 | 39743359 | 50.01 | 905143 |
| 2 | 41.220 | 39722482 | 49.99 | 490376 |

Chiralcel OJ-H column [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 17.483 | 266805 | 49.45 | 14175 |
| 2 | 18.697 | 272687 | 50.55 | 13580 |

Phenomenex Cellulose 2 [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing 2\% DEA) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL}$ $\mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 17.441 | 2133952 | 55.37 | 110203 |
| 2 | 18.682 | 1719939 | 44.63 | 85168 |

Phenomenex Cellulose 2 [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing 2\% DEA) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL}$ $\min ^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 22.528 | 17963816 | 21.87 | 358351 |
| 2 | 40.714 | 64182562 | 78.13 | 737295 |

Chiralcel OJ-H column [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing $2 \%$ DEA) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 18.885 | 13505290 | 51.67 | 245846 |
| 2 | 24.136 | 12630587 | 48.33 | 180446 |

Chiralcel OJ-H column conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$

HPLC trace recorded during optimization of conditions for resolution of the enantiomers of trans-1e.


Chiralcel OJ-H column conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 16.615 | 29587025 | 37.94 | 647862 |
| 2 | 18.925 | 38877825 | 93.22 | 826131 |
| 3 | 22.706 | 48392379 | 62.06 | 374412 |
| 4 | 34.216 | 2827108 | 6.78 | 39002 |

Chiralcel OJ-H column conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}($ containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA})=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 28.302 | 19858348 | 49.62 | 685620 | 5429 |
| 2 | 29.192 | 20163668 | 50.38 | 672030 | 5429 |

Phenomenex Amylose 1 [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL}$ $\min ^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: | ---: |
| 1 | 45.072 | 84960849 | 49.91 | 1258310 | 5435 |
| 2 | 49.283 | 85256294 | 50.09 | 1256262 | 5435 |

Phenomenex Amylose 1 [conditions: $n$-hexane/ iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL}$ $\mathrm{min}^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 29.177 | 4932860 | 43.69 | 133642 | 5462 |
| 2 | 30.068 | 1647838 | 14.60 | 50300 | 5462 |
| 3 | 45.895 | 2200064 | 19.49 | 40473 | 5462 |
| 4 | 50.231 | 2509445 | 22.23 | 43006 | 5462 |

Phenomenex Amylose 1 [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing 2\% DEA) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL}$ $\left.\min ^{-1}\right]$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: | ---: |
| 1 | 35.566 | 53911091 | 49.84 | 1066708 | 5432 |
| 2 | 41.056 | 54251699 | 50.16 | 1008222 | 5432 |

Phenomenex Amylose 1 [conditions: $n$-hexane/ iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL}$ $\left.\min ^{-1}\right]$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 29.072 | 5116850 | 7.07 | 172650 | 5453 |
| 2 | 29.946 | 58592343 | 80.99 | 1699615 | 5453 |
| 3 | 41.790 | 8639609 | 11.94 | 178934 | 5453 |

Phenomenex Amylose 1 [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing 2\% DEA) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL}$ $\left.\min ^{-1}\right]$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: | ---: |
| 1 | 31.974 | 42631290 | 50.03 | 818865 | 5569 |
| 2 | 35.066 | 42583446 | 49.97 | 699761 | 5569 |

Chiralcel OB-H column conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result ld |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 24.787 | 4462773 | 50.18 | 103335 | 5585 |
| 2 | 26.046 | 4431639 | 49.82 | 90169 | 5585 |

Chiralcel OB-H column conditions: $n$-hexane/ $i \mathrm{PrOH}$ (containing 2\% DEA) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 24.577 | 1125752 | 4.88 | 27429 | 5595 |
| 2 | 25.791 | 786930 | 3.41 | 17259 | 5595 |
| 3 | 32.333 | 20360193 | 88.29 | 435820 | 5595 |
| 4 | 35.584 | 788442 | 3.42 | 17029 | 5595 |

Chiralcel OB-H column conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


Chiralcel OB-H column conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| ---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 24.491 | 5145495 | 17.68 | 116306 | 5581 |
| 2 | 27.301 | 3193875 | 10.97 | 62249 | 5581 |
| 3 | 33.183 | 649210 | 2.23 | 17727 | 5581 |
| 4 | 36.183 | 20122570 | 69.12 | 370789 | 5581 |

Chiralcel OB-H column conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 26.291 | 22325896 | 49.73 | 387534 |
| 2 | 41.095 | 22571624 | 50.27 | 173944 |

Chiralcel AS-H column conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 11.209 | 7692606 | 49.36 | 329719 |
| 2 | 12.133 | 7891948 | 50.64 | 298940 |

Chiralcel AS-H column conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 0$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 11.223 | 4386049 | 19.03 | 173211 |
| 2 | 12.137 | 5045157 | 21.89 | 168055 |
| 3 | 26.298 | 9767612 | 42.37 | 159028 |
| 4 | 42.528 | 3852526 | 16.71 | 51238 |

Chiralcel AS-H column conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing $2 \%$ DEA) $=90 / 0$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 11.617 | 17754459 | 50.12 | 678484 |
| 2 | 12.687 | 17672834 | 49.88 | 608105 |

Chiralcel AS-H column conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 11.663 | 5279515 | 32.91 | 197673 |
| 2 | 12.736 | 5156095 | 32.14 | 172801 |
| 3 | 26.721 | 4579433 | 28.55 | 63864 |
| 4 | 42.809 | 1026773 | 6.40 | 14055 |

Chiralcel AS-H column conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 26.227 | 65513494 | 48.12 | 1109665 |
| 2 | 28.270 | 70625781 | 51.88 | 1003150 |

Chiralcel OJ-H column conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 15.474 | 20660726 | 51.80 | 402492 |
| 2 | 17.937 | 19222802 | 48.20 | 236379 |

Chiralcel OB-H column conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 15.972 | 954802 | 0.95 | 19610 | 16527 |
| 2 | 18.038 | 9720291 | 9.63 | 127850 | 16527 |
| 3 | 34.642 | 79643873 | 78.94 | 665675 | 16527 |
| 4 | 38.819 | 10567967 | 10.48 | 76367 | 16527 |

Chiralcel OB-H column conditions: $n$-hexane $/ i \operatorname{PrOH}$ (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


Chiralcel OJ-H column conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


Chiralcel OJ-H [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing $2 \%$ DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 17.309 | 36978685 | 44.18 | 628327 |
| 2 | 19.470 | 36423895 | 43.52 | 586733 |
| 3 | 26.801 | 5984845 | 7.15 | 120480 |
| 4 | 29.008 | 4303304 | 5.14 | 83194 |

Chiralcel OJ-H [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 13.437 | 6304359 | 49.70 | 212484 |
| 2 | 23.979 | 6380191 | 50.30 | 102183 |

Chiralcel AS-H conditions: $n$-hexane/ $\mathrm{iPrOH}($ containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA})=90 / 10$, flow rate $=1.0 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 17.378 | 21199535 | 49.67 | 294048 |
| 2 | 21.769 | 21481532 | 50.33 | 204151 |

Chiralcel OB-H [conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 14.826 | 10208895 | 91.19 | 316217 | 17002 |
| 2 | 28.908 | 986382 | 8.81 | 20496 | 17002 |

Chiralcel AS-H conditions: $n$-hexane $/ i \operatorname{PrOH}\left(\right.$ containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=1.0 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


Chiralcel AS-H [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=1.0 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ]


Chiralcel AS-H [conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=1.0 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$ ]


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 16.284 | 13952480 | 50.04 | 422220 |
| 2 | 20.499 | 13928513 | 49.96 | 338822 |

Chiracel AS-H column conditions: $n$-hexane/ iPrOH (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 27.952 | 11830182 | 49.68 | 305101 |
| 2 | 30.155 | 11984419 | 50.32 | 313223 |

Phenomenex Amylose 1 column conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=95 / 5$, flow rate $=$ $0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 29.431 | 5971681 | 21.27 | 168823 |
| 2 | 30.675 | 22101283 | 78.73 | 569577 |

Phenomenex Amylose 1 column conditions: $n$-hexane/ $\mathrm{iPrOH}($ containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA})=95 / 5$, flow rate $=$ $0.25 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 16.247 | 5278906 | 10.33 | 221366 |
| 2 | 19.644 | 45813074 | 89.67 | 797718 |

Chiracel AS-H column conditions: $n$-hexane/ $\mathrm{iPrOH}($ containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA})=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: |
| 1 | 10.023 | 16172352 | 48.69 | 783707 |
| 2 | 12.592 | 17042218 | 51.31 | 614215 |

Chiracel AS-H column conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}($ containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA})=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 10.054 | 3195314 | 16.88 | 145852 |
| 2 | 12.492 | 3383018 | 17.87 | 121178 |
| 3 | 18.212 | 9929849 | 52.46 | 399477 |
| 4 | 23.417 | 2420831 | 12.79 | 50320 |

Chiracel AS-H column conditions: $n$-hexane/ $/ \mathrm{PrOH}($ containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA})=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$

The enantiomers of cis- and trans-1m were not readily resolved by chiral HPLC; accordingly the resulting reaction solutions from the relevant biotransformations were subject to Boc protection (according to general method H ) and then analysed by chiral HPLC, as per conditions detailed below for cis- and trans-8m


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result ld |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | :---: | ---: |
| 1 | 10.945 | 4791623 | 50.01 | 477561 | 5545 |
| 2 | 11.361 | 4789620 | 49.99 | 456747 | 5545 |

Phenomenex Amylose 1 column conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=$ $0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 22.518 | 33754827 | 50.06 | 747039 | 5563 |
| 2 | 25.496 | 33673674 | 49.94 | 630504 | 5563 |

Chiracel OJ-H column conditions: $n$-hexane $/ \mathrm{iPrOH}($ containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA})=90 / 10$, flow rate $=0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


Phenomenex Amylose 1 column conditions: $n$-hexane/ $/ \mathrm{PrOH}$ (containing $2 \% \mathrm{DEA}$ ) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=$ $0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$


|  | RT | Area | \% Area | Height | Result Id |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 8.909 | 102223 | 0.82 | 11491 | 5551 |
| 2 | 9.463 | 2742021 | 22.01 | 259720 | 5551 |
| 3 | 10.842 | 191790 | 1.54 | 20661 | 5551 |
| 4 | 11.241 | 9420689 | 75.63 | 888561 | 5551 |

Phenomenex Amylose 1 column conditions: $n$-hexane/iPrOH (containing 2\% DEA) $=90 / 10$, flow rate $=$ $0.5 \mathrm{~mL} \mathrm{~min}^{-1}$

Table of HPLC conditions:

| Compound | Column | $\begin{gathered} \text { Flow } \\ (\mathrm{mL} \mathrm{~min} \end{gathered}$ | Mobile phase n-hexane/iPrOH [containing 2\% diethylamine (DEA)] | Temp $\left({ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | Retention time |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cellulose <br> 4 | 0.25 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{t}=16.3 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & R_{t}=18.0 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  | AS-H | 0.25 | 95/5 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{t}=29.5 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & R_{t}=31.6 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  <br> ( $\pm$ ) 2d | Amylose 1 | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{t}=18.8 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & R_{t}=19.9 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  <br> $( \pm) \mathbf{2 e}$ | OJ-H | 0.5 | 95/5 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{\mathrm{t}}=22.7 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=41.2 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |


|  <br> ( $\pm$ ) $\mathbf{2 f}$ | Amylose $1$ | 0.25 | 95/5 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=28.3 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=29.2 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | OB-H | 0.25 | 95/5 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=32.0 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=35.0 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  | AS-H | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{\mathrm{t}}=26.3 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=41.1 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  <br> $( \pm) 2 \mathrm{j}$ | OJ-H | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=26.2 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=28.3 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  | AS-H | 1.0 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}} & =13.4 \mathrm{~min}, \\ \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}} & =24.0 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  | AS-H | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{\mathrm{t}}=16.2 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=20.5 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |


|  | Amylose <br> 1 | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{t}=10.9 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & R_{t}=11.3 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\underset{( \pm) 2 m}{ }$ | $\mathrm{OJ}-\mathrm{H}$ | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=22.5 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=25.5 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Cellulose } \\ 4 \end{gathered}$ | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{\mathrm{t}}=19.1 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=23.8 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  | AS-H | 0.25 | 95/5 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=23.0 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=24.7 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  <br> ( $\pm$ ) cis-8d | Amylose $1$ | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=10.8 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=14.2 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  <br> ( $\pm$ ) trans-8d | Amylose $1$ | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=14.7 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=28.0 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |


|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Cellulose } \\ 2 \end{gathered}$ | 0.5 | 95/5 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=17.5 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=18.7 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  <br> ( $\pm$ ) trans-1e | OJ-H | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=18.8 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=24.1 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  <br> ( $\pm$ ) cis-1f | Amylose $1$ | 0.25 | 95/5 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=45.1 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=49.3 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  <br> $( \pm)$ trans-1f | Amylose <br> 1 | 0.25 | 95/5 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{t}=35.5 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & R_{t}=41.1 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  | OB-H | 0.25 | 95/5 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=24.8 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=26.1 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  <br> ( $\pm$ ) trans-1g | OB-H | 0.25 | 95/5 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=24.3 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=27.2 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |


|  | AS-H | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{\mathrm{t}}=11.2 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=12.1 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | AS-H | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{t}=11.5 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & R_{t}=12.6 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  <br> ( $\pm$ ) cis-1 $\mathbf{j}$ | OB-H | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{\mathrm{t}}=15.5 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=18.0 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  <br> $( \pm)$ trans- $\mathbf{1 j}$ | OJ-H | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{\mathrm{t}}=17.3 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=19.5 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  <br> ( $\pm$ ) cis-1k | OB-H | 0.5 | 95/5 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=17.4 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=21.8 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |


|  | AS-H | 1.0 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{t}=6.2 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & R_{t}=6.8 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  <br> ( $\pm$ ) cis-1I | Amylose $1$ | 0.25 | 95/5 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=27.9 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=30.1 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  <br> $( \pm)$ trans-11 | AS-H | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{t}=10.0 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & R_{t}=12.6 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Amylose $1$ | 0.5 | 90/10 | 25 | $\begin{aligned} & R_{t}=8.9 \mathrm{~min}, \\ & R_{t}=9.5 \mathrm{~min} \end{aligned}$ |

1.12 ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra of the biotransformation reactions:



trans-1b











trans-1f








trans-1g


cis-1h



trans-1h





trans-1m


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[^2]:    $\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllll}210 & 200 & 190 & 180 & 170 & 160 & 150 & 140 & 130 & 120 & 110 & 100 & 90 & 80 & 70 & 60 & 50 & 40 & 30 & 20 & 10 & 0\end{array}$

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