Structure Reassignment and Synthesis of Jenamidines A_1/A_2 . Synthesis of (+)-

NP25302, and Formal Synthesis of SB-311009 Analogues

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Supporting Material

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General Procedures. All reactions were performed under nitrogen atmosphere. All commercially available reagents were used without further purification unless otherwise noted. Dichloromethane was distilled from CaH₂ under nitrogen. Ether and tetrahydrofuran were freshly distilled from benzophenone ketyl radical under nitrogen prior to use. Flash chromatography was performed with silica gel (40-63 μ m). Optical rotations were measured on a precision automated polarimeter. NMR spectra were recorded on a 400 MHz spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported in δ and coupling constants (*J* values) in Hz. IR spectra were recorded on an FT-IR spectrometer and are reported in cm⁻¹. The Wittig reactions of **76** were carried out in a sealed vessel in a CEM Discover microwave oven with automatic temperature and pressure display.

5a,6,8,9-Tetrahydro-5H-pyrido[2,1-b]quinazoline-7,11-dione (6). A solution of 2,3-dihydro-4-pyridinone ($\mathbf{4}$)⁴ (100 mg, 1.09 mmol), isatoic anhydride ($\mathbf{5}$, 178 mg, 1.09 mmol), and triethylamine (0.17 mL, 1.20 mmol) in 10 mL of dry THF was stirred in a sealed tube under N₂ for 8 h in an 80 °C oil bath. The mixture was cooled and concentrated to yield a mixture of recovered $\mathbf{4}$, anthranilic acid, the desired product $\mathbf{6}$, and the decomposition product $\mathbf{7}$. Flash chromatography on silica gel (95:5 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH) yielded 150 mg of a mixture of $\mathbf{6}$ and $\mathbf{7}$ followed by 65 mg of $\mathbf{4}$ (65%). The mixture of $\mathbf{6}$ and $\mathbf{7}$ was diluted with CHCl₃ and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated and the resulting oil was then taken up in minimal CH₂Cl₂. The solution was filtered and added dropwise to a solution of hexanes. The milky suspension was filtered and the precipitate was collected to give 67 mg of 90% pure $\mathbf{6}$ (29% yield, 65% based on recovered SM). Quinazoline $\mathbf{6}$ was unstable at room temperature and decomposed to form $\mathbf{7}$ over time.

Data for **6**: mp 122-123 °C; ¹H NMR (CD₃OD) 7.71 (d, 1, J = 8.0), 7.25 (dd, 1, J = 8.0, 7.7), 6.73 (dd, 1, J = 8.0, 7.7), 6.65 (d, 1, J = 8.0), 5.12 (dd, 1, J = 3.7, 9.2), 4.51 (ddd, 1, J = 4.3, 6.1, 13.4), 3.29 (ddd, 1, J = 4.3, 10.4, 13.4), 2.86 (dd, 1, J = 9.2, 15.3), 2.64 (dd, 1, J = 3.7, 15.3), 2.52 (ddd, 1, J = 6.1, 10.4, 15.9), 2.42 (ddd, 1, J = 4.3, 4.3,

15.9); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 7.91 (d, 1, J = 7.9), 7.31 (dd, 1, J = 7.9, 7.3), 6.86 (dd, 1, J = 7.9, 7.3), 6.67 (d, 1, 7.9), 5.17 (ddd, 1, J = 1.8, 3.8, 9.2), 4.96 (br s, 1, NH), 4.73 (ddd, 1, J = 4.0, 6.1, 13.7), 3.24 (ddd, 1, J = 4.0, 10.7, 13.7), 2.92 (dd, 1, J = 9.2, 14.8), 2.72 (dd, 1, J = 3.8, 14.8), 2.62 (ddd, 1, J = 6.1, 10.7, 16.2), 2.49 (ddd, 1, J = 4.0, 4.0, 16.2); ¹³C NMR (CD₃OD) 207.8, 165.4, 148.5, 135.2, 129.1, 119.5, 115.7, 115.2, 67.6, 47.8, 40.9, 39.7; ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 205.7, 163.2, 145.5, 134.0, 128.5, 119.5, 114.7, 114.6, 66.5, 47.7, 40.2, 38.9; IR (KBr) 3303, 1720, 1640.

3-(3-Oxobutyl)-4(3*H***)-quinazolone (7).** Complete conversion to **7** was easily achieved by washing a solution of 10 mg of **6** in CH₂Cl₂ three times with 5% aqueous HCl. The organic fraction was dried over magnesium sulfate and concentrated to give 8 mg of **7**: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 8.28 (d, 1, J = 6.7), 8.27 (s, 1), 7.76 (dd, 1, J = 7.9, 7.4), 7.71 (d, 1, J = 7.9), 7.50 (dd, 1, J = 7.4, 6.7), 4.22 (t, 2, J = 6.1), 3.07 (t, 2, J = 6.1), 2.16 (s, 3); ¹³C NMR 206.2, 161.2, 148.0, 147.5, 134.2, 127.4, 127.1, 126.3, 121.9, 42.2, 41.4, 30.0; IR (neat) 1714, 1672. The ¹H NMR spectral data are identical to those previously reported.⁶

1,3-Bis[[(trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl]oxy]-6,7-dihydro-5*H*-pyrrolizine (16). Keto amide **15**¹¹ (100 mg, 0.71 mmol) in 1 mL of dry CH₂Cl₂ was added to NaH (63 mg, 1.56 mmol) in 1 mL of dry CH₂Cl₂ at 0 °C under N₂. The mixture was stirred for 10 min and Tf₂O (0.24 mL, 1.42 mmol) was added dropwise. The mixture was stirred for 1 h at 0 °C, quenched with 2 mL of saturated NH₄Cl solution, diluted with CH₂Cl₂, and stirred for 30 min at 25 °C. The organic layer was separated, washed with H₂O and brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated to yield 260 mg (91%) of 90% pure bistriflate **16**. Flash chromatography on silica gel (97:2:1 hexanes/EtOAc/pyridine) gave 50 mg (17%) of pure unstable bistriflate **16**: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 5.93 (s, 1), 4.02 (t, 2, *J* = 7.0), 2.95 (t, 2, *J* = 7.3), 2.56 (tt, 2, *J* = 7.0, 7.3).

N-Cyano-*N'*-methoxy-*N'*-methylprolinamide (18). *N*-Methylmorpholine (5.1 mL, 46.5 mmol) in 20 mL of dry CH₂Cl₂ and then ethyl chloroformate (8.6 mL, 90

mmol) in 20 mL of dry CH₂Cl₂ were added to *N*-Boc-proline (10 g, 46.5 mmol) in 60 mL of dry CH₂Cl₂ at -15 °C under N₂ and the mixture was stirred for 15 min. *N*-Methylmorpholine (10.0 mL, 90.3 mmol) and *N*,*O*-dimethylhydroxylamine were added portionwise and the mixture was stirred for 1 h at -15 °C and at 25 °C for 15h. The mixture was diluted with H₂O and extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic extracts were washed successively with 10% sodium bicarbonate solution, brine, 5% HCl solution, and brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. Flash chromatography on silica gel (1:1 EtOAc/CH₂Cl₂) afforded 9.3 g (78%) of the *N*-Boc Weinreb amide as a 1:1 mixture of rotamers: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 4.68-4.74 (m, 1 × 0.5), 4.57-4.62 (m, 1 × 0.5), 3.79 (s, 3 × 0.5), 3.72 (s, 3 × 0.5), 3.35-3.65 (m, 2), 3.20 (s, 3), 1.80-2.25 (m, 4), 1.46 (s, 9×0.5), 1.42 (s, 9×0.5).

The *N*-Boc Weinreb amide (316 mg, 1.2 mmol) was stirred in 4 mL of 1:1 TFA/CH₂Cl₂ solution for 18 h and concentrated. A solution of the resulting oil in 4 mL of EtOH was added to a solution of sodium bicarbonate (500 mg, 6.0 mmol) and cyanogen bromide (140 mg, 1.32 mmol) in 9 mL of EtOH. The mixture was stirred for 2 h at 25 °C, treated with 2 mL of H₂O, stirred for 15 min, and extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated. Flash chromatography on silica gel (98:2 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH) gave 185 mg (84%) of cyanamide **18**: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 4.57 (dd, 1, J = 3.7, 8.5), 3.74 (s, 3), 3.62-3.70 (m, 1), 3.45-3.55 (m, 1), 3.23 (s, 3), 2.20-2.28 (m, 1), 1.90-2.10 (m, 3).

Addition of *tert*-Butyl Acetate to 18. *tert*-Butyl acetate (0.18 mL, 1.3 mmol) was added to a freshly prepared solution of LDA (1.3 mmol in 4 mL THF) at -78 °C under N₂ and the mixture was stirred for 15 min. Weinreb amide cyanamide 18 (215 mg, 1.17 mmol) was added in 2 mL of dry THF. The mixture was stirred for 2 h at -78 °C, quenched with 5% HCl solution, and extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated. Flash chromatography on silica gel (98:2 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH) gave 90 mg (30%) of 24, followed by 50 mg (21%) of 23,

and 75 mg (32%) of **22**. A solution of urea **23** in CDCl₃ containing several drops of TFA completely isomerized to **22** in 2 h.

Data for *tert*-butyl 1-(2,5,6,7-tetrahydro-3-oxo-3*H*-pyrrolo[1,2*c*]imidazole)acetate (**22**): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 9.30 (br s, 1, NH), 3.66 (t, 2, *J* = 6.7), 3.27 (s, 2), 2.66 (t, 2, *J* = 7.3), 2.40 (tt, 2, *J* = 6.7, 7.3), 1.45 (s, 9); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 169.0, 151.1, 124.6, 105.4, 81.5, 41.8, 32.2, 28.3, 27.9 (3 C), 22.0.

Data for *tert*-butyl (2*Z*)-(2,5,6,7-tetrahydro-3-oxo-3*H*-pyrrolo[1,2-*c*]imidazol-1ylidene)acetate (**23**): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 8.70 (br s, 1, NH), 5.19 (s, 1), 4.87 (dd, 1, *J* = 7.3, 7.3), 3.59 (ddd, 1, *J* = 8.0, 8.0, 11.0), 3.24-3.34 (m, 1), 2.58-2.66 (m, 1), 2.00-2.10 (m, 2), 1.40-1.52 (m, 1), 1.46 (s, 9); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 166.5, 161.8, 155.1, 91.8, 79.5, 64.6, 44.8, 30.1, 28.3 (3 C), 26.4; HRMS (DCI/NH₃) calcd for $C_{12}H_{19}N_2O_3$ (MH⁺) 239.1396, found 239.1402.

Data for *tert*-butyl 2-(1-carbamoyl-pyrrolidine)-3-hydroxypropenoate (**24**): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 8.95 (br s, 1, OH or NH₂), 4.87 (s, 1), 4.33 (dd, 1, J = 7.9, 7.9), 3.59 (ddd, 1, J = 7.9, 7.9, 11.0), 3.15-3.22 (m, 1), 1.95-2.20 (m, 3), 1.55-1.65 (m, 1), 1.48 (s, 9).

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tert-Butyl 3-Amino-5,6,7,7a-tetrahydro-1-oxo-1H-pyrrolizine-2-carboxylate (26). tert-Butyl acetate (1.5 mL, 11.1 mmol) was added dropwise over a period of 10 min to a freshly prepared solution of LDA (10 mmol in 27 mL THF) at -45 °C under N<sub>2</sub>. The solution was stirred for 15 min and treated with methyl (S)-1-cyano-2-pyrrolidinecarboxylate (25)<sup>19</sup> (680 mg, 4.4 mmol) in 5 mL of dry THF. The mixture was stirred for 1 h at -45 °C, treated dropwise with LHMDS (5 mL, 1.0 M in THF) and allowed to warm to 25 °C. The mixture was stirred for 2 h at 25 °C, quenched with H<sub>2</sub>O, and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated. Flash chromatography on silica gel (95:5 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/MeOH) gave 250 mg (24%) of byproduct 28 followed by 280 mg (27%) of pure 26.
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Data for **26**: mp 200-203 °C; $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$ -66.9 (*c* 1.2, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} nm (log ε) 211(4.17), 241 (4.21), 264 (4.11); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 8.00 (br, 1, NH), 5.42 (br, 1,

NH), 3.87 (dd, 1, J = 6.7, 9.8), 3.34-3.42 (m, 1), 3.20-3.28 (m, 1), 2.06-2.26 (m, 3), 1.54-1.60 (m, 1), 1.55 (s, 9); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 193.1, 174.0, 164.9, 90.5, 79.9, 69.7, 46.6, 28.5 (3 C), 27.6, 26.7; IR (KBr) 3475, 3077, 1714, 1638; HRMS (DEI) calcd for $C_{12}H_{18}N_2O_3$ (M⁺) 238.1317, found 238.1315.

Data for **28**: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 9.95 (br s, 1, NH), 4.34 (s, 1), 3.98 (dd, 1, J = 8.6, 8.6), 3.31-3.38 (m, 1), 3.21 (ddd, 1, J = 7.9, 7.9, 10.4), 1.98-2.26 (m, 3), 1.64-1.75 (m, 1), 1.47 (s, 9); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 173.4, 169.4, 160.9, 79.1, 72.6, 63.6, 49.9, 28.4 (3 C), 27.3, 27.1. A 1D NOESY experiment showed an NOE from the alkene hydrogen (δ 4.34) to the *tert*-butyl hydrogens (δ 1.47) and the methylene group adjacent to the ring fusion nitrogen (δ 3.21 and δ 3.31-3.38) establishing that the stereochemistry is *E* as drawn.

3-(2-Methyl-2E-butenoylamino)-5,6,7,7a-tetrahydro-1H-pyrrolizin-1-one

(31). 2-Methyl-2*E*-butenoyl chloride (27 mg, 0.23 mmol) was treated with 26 (25 mg, 0.10 mmol) and NaH (10 mg, 0.25 mmol) and hydrolyzed and decarboxylated with 9:1 CH₂Cl₂/TFA as described below for the preparation of **39d** to give 15 mg (69%) of **31** after flash chromatography on silica gel (98:2 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH): $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$ 1.3 (*c* 0.7, MeOH); ¹H NMR (CD₃OD) 6.60 (q, 1, *J* = 6.7), 5.65 (s, 1), 3.95 (dd, 1, *J* = 8.2, 8.2), 3.42-3.50 (m, 1), 3.22 (ddd, 1, *J* = 7.3, 7.3, 11.0), 2.06-2.22 (m, 3), 1.88 (s, 3), 1.87 (d, 3, *J* = 6.7), 1.50-1.60 (m, 1); ¹³C NMR (CD₃OD) 204.5, 173.7, 169.9, 136.3, 133.2, (93.6, 93.5), 70.7, 28.8, (27.5, 27.4), 14.4, 12.3 (one C is obscured by the CD₃OD peak between 49-50).

Jenamidines A₁/A₂ 4'-Acetate (39a). (*S*)-4-Acetoxy-2-methylpent-2*E*-enoyl chloride (38a, 80 mg, 0.44 mmol) (prepared as described for 39d using AcCl instead of methoxyacetyl chloride) was treated with 26 (36 mg, 0.15 mmol) and NaH (14 mg, 0.33 mmol) and hydrolyzed and decarboxylated with 9:1 CH₂Cl₂/TFA as described below for the preparation of 39d to give 37 mg (84%) of 39a as a 1:1 mixture of diastereomers upon flash chromatography (95:5 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH): $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$ -27.5 (*c* 0.8, MeOH); ¹H NMR

(CD₃OD) 6.28-6.38 (m, 1), 5.59-5.68 (m, 1), 5.62 (s, 1), 3.94 (dd, 1, J = 8.5, 7.9), 3.39-3.46 (m, 1), 3.16-3.24 (m, 1), 2.06-2.20 (m, 3), 2.03 (s, 3×0.5), 2.02 (s, 3×0.5), 1.95 (s, 3×0.5), 1.94 (s, 3×0.5), 1.48-1.57 (m, 1), 1.35 (d, $3 \times 0.5, J = 6.7$), 1.34 (d, $3 \times 0.5, J =$ 6.7); ¹³C NMR (CD₃OD) 204.6, 173.5, 172.0, (169.5, 169.4), (138.74, 139.69), 133.7, 93.9, 70.8, (68.9, 68.8), 28.8, 27.5, 21.0, 19.7, 13.2, one C is obscured by the CD₃OD peak between 49-50; HRMS (MeOH/NBA) calcd for C₁₅H₂₁N₂O₄ (MH⁺) 293.1501, found 293.1504.

Triisopropylsilylation of Hydrocupreine. Triisopropylsilyl chloride (4.28 g, 22.2 mmoL) was added to a solution of hydrocupreine³⁶ (3.45 g, 11.1 mmol) and imidazole (1.51 g, 22.2 mmol) in 21 mL of DMF and the resulting solution was stirred overnight at room temperature and then poured into ethyl acetate (115 mL). The organic solution was washed with water (3 × 100 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated to give the crude TIPS silyl ether as a yellow oil. Flash chromatography on silica gel (CHCl₃ 200 mL, then 9:1:0.1 CHCl₃/MeOH/ NH₄OH) afforded 4.94 g (95%) of TIPS-DHQ: $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$ -8.1 (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 8.63 (d, 1, *J* = 4.3), 7.64 (d, 1, *J* = 9.1), 7.63 (d, 1, *J* = 4.3), 7.35 (d, 1, *J* = 2.4), 6.97 (dd, 1, *J* = 2.4, 9.1), 6.41 (br s, 1, OH), 6.23 (br s, 1), 4.42-4.52 (m, 1), 3.37 (dd, 1, *J* = 12.0, 12.0), 3.24 (dd, 1, *J* = 9.7, 13.4), 2.98-3.08 (m, 1), 2.63 (br d, 1, *J* = 13.4), 2.09-2.15 (m, 1), 2.01-2.06 (m, 1), 1.94 (br s, 1), 1.68-1.78 (m, 2), 1.27-1.34 (m, 3), 1.08-1.14 (m, 21), 0.77 (t, 3, *J* = 7.3); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 153.9, 147.4, 144.6, 143.1, 130.6, 125.2, 124.1, 118.9, 110.3, 66.6, 59.9, 56.6, 43.8, 35.4, 27.0, 24.9, 24.4, 17.91 (3 C), 17.87 (3 C), 12.6 (3 C), 11.4; IR (neat) 3226, 2936, 2861, 1619, 1502, 1456, 1237, 1259.

DHQ-PYR-OH (60). Potassium hydroxide (600 mg, 10.6 mmol) was added to a solution of the TIPS ether (611 mg, 1.33 mmol) and 4,6-dichloro-2,5-diphenylpyrimidine (400 mg, 1.33 mmol) in 27 mL of dry toluene. The mixture was heated in a 90 °C oil bath. The temperature of the oil bath was slowly raised to 115 °C and the mixture was stirred for 1 h at this temperature. The mixture was cooled, diluted with H₂O, and

extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic fractions were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated to give 990 mg of 80% pure TIPS-DHQ-PYR that was used without further purification.

HF (48-51% aqueous solution, 3 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of the above TIPS-DHQ-PYR in 33 mL of CH₃CN. The mixture was stirred for 30 min, carefully quenched with a saturated sodium bicarbonate solution and extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic fractions were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated. Flash chromatography on silica gel (95:5 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH) gave 400 mg (52% from the TIPS ether) of **60**: $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$ +259.4 (c 1.0, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 8.68 (br s, 1), 8.61 (d, 1, *J* = 4.6), 7.97 (d, 1, *J* = 9.1), 7.87 (br d, 2, *J* = 7.3), 7.60 (dd, 2, *J* = 7.3, 7.3) 7.48-7.56 (m, 3), 7.27 (dd, 1, *J* = 2.1, 9.1), 7.24-7.27 (m, 1), 7.18 (d, 1, *J* = 4.6), 6.95-7.01 (m, 3), 3.05-3.16 (m, 3), 2.67-2.74 (m, 1), 2.31 (d, 1, *J* = 12.8), 1.76-1.81 (m, 1), 1.63 (br s, 1), 1.43-1.52 (m, 2), 1.08-1.21 (m, 3), 0.83 (br s, 1), 0.71 (t, 3, *J* = 7.0) (the OH was not observed); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 165.9, 162.7, 159.7, 157.0, 146.3, 143.8, 143.6, 135.1, 132.2, 131.2, 130.9, 129.9 (2 C), 128.63 (2 C), 128.60, 128.3 (2 C), 128.1 (2 C), 127.2, 123.0, 118.5, 117.1, 107.5, 76.2, 58.4, 58.2, 43.4, 36.7, 27.2, 26.5, 24.8, 20.3, 11.8; IR (neat) 3580, 3055, 2955, 2868, 1619, 1571, 1517, 1408, 1376, 1241, 999, 851, 756, 700; HRMS (CI) Calcd for C₃₅H₃₄CIN₄O₂ (MH⁺) 577.2370, found 577.2357.

Ethyl 2-Methyl-2-nitro-5-oxohexanoate (52). DABCO (48 mg, 0.41 mmol) was added to a solution of ethyl 2-nitropropionate (51, 600 mg, 4.08 mmol) in 6 mL of dry CH_2Cl_2 and the mixture was stirred for 10 min. Methyl vinyl ketone (50, 0.85 mL, 10.2 mmol) was then added dropwise and the resulting solution was stirred for 5 h at 25 °C, passed through a short pad of silica gel with Et₂O to remove the catalyst and concentrated to give 866 mg (98%) of pure (±)-52, whose data matched those previously reported.^{31,34}

A solution of catalyst **60** (240 mg, 0.40 mmol) and ethyl 2-nitropropionate (600 mg, 4.08 mmol) in 8 mL of dry CH₂Cl₂ was kept at -20 °C for 2 h and methyl vinyl ketone (0.85 mL, 10.2 mmol) was then added dropwise. The resulting solution was kept

at -20 °C for 3 d, passed through a short pad of silica gel with Et₂O to remove the catalyst and concentrated to give 890 mg (100%) of pure (+)-**52**: $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$ +3.3 (*c* 1.0, MeOH).

Removal of catalyst **60** was critical for the success of the one-pot reduction using H_2 and Pd at neutral and then acidic pH.

Ethyl α,2-Dimethyl-α-nitro-1,3-dioxolane-2-butanoate. A solution of (+)-52 (20 mg, 0.09 mmol), ethylene glycol (0.1 ml) and TsOH (5 mg) in 2 mL of benzene was stirred at reflux for 4 h as described by Feringa.³⁴ The mixture was cooled, diluted with saturated sodium bicarbonate solution and extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated to give 22 mg (94%) of pure dioxolane: $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$ -4.7 (*c* 1.0, MeOH); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 4.27 (q, 2, *J* = 7.3), 3.90-4.00 (m, 4), 2.36 (ddd, 1, *J* = 13.1, 13.1, 4.2), 2.25 (ddd, 1, *J* = 13.1, 13.1, 4.2), 1.77 (s, 3), 1.69 (ddd, 1, *J* = 13.1, 13.1, 4.2), 1.33 (s, 3), 1.29 (t, 3, *J* = 7.3); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 167.3, 108.9, 92.3, 64.7 (2 C), 62.8, 33.0, 30.9, 23.9, 21.4, 13.8.

The enantiomer excess was determined to be 90% (95:5) by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralcel OJ, hexanes/IPA, 90:10, 1.00 ml/min, λ 220 nm, t (major) = 11.3 min, t (minor) = 12.6 min].³⁴ A similar analysis performed with Michael adduct (-)-**52**, formed using catalyst **59**,³⁵ showed a 90:10 mixture of enantiomers (80% ee): t (major) = 12.6 min, t (minor) = 11.3 min].

Reduction of 52 over Pd at 1 atm of H₂. A solution of **52** (866 mg, 3.99 mmol) in 20 mL of EtOH containing 10% Pd on activated carbon (430 mg, 0.41 mmol) and Na₂SO₄ (600 mg, 4.22 mmol) was stirred under 1 atm of H₂ at 25 °C for 12 h. The mixture was filtered through Celite and concentrated to give 735 mg (99%) of ethyl 2,5-dimethyl-1-pyrroline-5-carboxylate 1-oxide (**55**): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 4.15-4.31 (m, 2), 2.75-2.86 (m, 1), 2.64-2.73 (m, 1), 2.41-2.49 (m, 1), 2.10 (s, 3), 1.98-2.08 (m, 1), 1.71 (s, 3), 1.29 (t, 3, J = 7.0); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 170.4, 145.2, 78.6, 62.0, 30.4, 30.3, 20.9, 13.9, 13.0.

Ethyl 2,5-Dimethyl-1-hydroxy-2-pyrrolidinecarboxylate (53). Nitrone 55 (735 mg, 3.97 mmol) was stirred with PtO₂ (92 mg, 0.40 mmol) in 20 mL of EtOH under 1 atm of H₂ at 25 °C for 8 h. The mixture was filtered through Celite and concentrated to give 750 mg (100%) of hydroxylamine 53 containing 5% of the diastereomer 54 that was used without purification. An analytical sample of 53 was prepared by flash chromatography on silica gel (75:25 hexanes/EtOAc): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 5.08 (br s, 1, OH), 4.15-4.23 (m, 2), 3.04-3.12 (m, 1), 2.08-2.16 (m, 1), 1.85-1.95 (m, 1), 1.72-1.80 (m, 1), 1.30-1.40 (m, 1) 1.35 (s, 3), 1.28 (t, 3, J = 7.0), 1.22 (d, 3, J = 6.1); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 175.5, 69.6, 60.8, 58.2, 31.2, 26.0, 19.0, 16.6, 14.2; IR (neat) 3446, 1731; HRMS (NH₃/CI) Calcd for C₉H₁₈NO₃ (MH⁺) 188.1287, found 188.1283.

Ethyl *trans*-2,5-Dimethyl-2-pyrrolidinecarboxylate (49). Zn dust (1.28 g, 19.5 mmol) and Cu(OAc)₂ (71 mg, 0.39 mmol) were stirred for 15 min at 25 °C in 4 mL of HOAc and then treated with a solution of hydroxylamine 53 (730 mg, 3.9 mmol) in 2 mL of EtOH and 4 mL of HOAc. The mixture was stirred for 2.5 h at 70 °C and then cooled to rt. EDTA (4 g) was added and the solution was adjusted to pH 10 with 2 M NaOH and extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated to give 422 mg (63%) of pure 49: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 4.18 (q, 2, *J* = 7.0), 3.27 (ddd, 1, *J* = 6.1, 6.1, 9.2), 2.32 (br s, 1, NH), 2.22-2.31 (m, 1), 1.88-1.96 (m, 1), 1.66-1.75 (m, 1), 1.38 (s, 3), 1.28 (t, 3, *J* = 7.0), 1.18-1.28 (m, 1), 1.19 (d, 3, *J* = 6.1); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 177.6, 65.8, 61.1, 54.5, 38.5, 34.6, 26.6, 20.9, 14.1; IR (neat) 3345, 1727; HRMS (EI) Calcd for C₉H₁₆NO₂ (M-H⁺) 170.1181, found 170.1181.

(*S*)-Mosher Amide of (-)-49 (63). The Mosher acid chloride was prepared analogously (see preparation of 64) from (*S*)- α -methoxy- α -(trifluoromethyl)phenylacetic acid (32 mg, 0.14 mmol), DMF (10 µL, 0.14 mmol) and oxalyl chloride (60 µL, 0.66 mmol). The acid chloride was stirred with (-)-49•HCl (20 mg, 0.12 mmol, prepared with catalyst 60) and diisopropylethylamine (42 µL, 0.24 mmol) in 1 mL of dry CH₂Cl₂ for 1 h at 25 °C. The mixture was concentrated, taken up in a saturated ammonium chloride solution, and extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated. Flash chromatography on silica gel (80:20 hexanes/EtOAc) gave 35 mg (76%) of Mosher amide **63**: $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$ -98 (*c* 1.0, MeOH); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 7.50-7.54 (m, 2), 7.37-7.41 (m, 3), 4.16-4.27 (m, 2), 3.73 (s, 3), 3.25-3.31 (m, 1), 2.16 (ddd, 1, *J* = 12.8, 12.8, 6.1), 1.70-1.76 (m, 1), 1.67 (s, 3), 1.56-1.64 (m, 1), 1.26-1.35 (m, 1), 1.28 (t, 3, *J* = 7.0), 1.24 (d, 3, *J* = 6.7); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 173.6, 165.0, 134.5, 129.2, 128.1 (2 C), 126.5 (2 C), 123.7 (q, *J* = 291), 84.4 (q, *J* = 23), 68.4, 61.3, 56.2, 55.1, 34.9, 32.1, 20.3, 19.8, 14.1; IR (neat) 1749, 1643; HRMS (ES) Calcd for C₁₉H₂₅NO₄F₃ (MH⁺) 388.1736, found 388.1731.

(*R*)-Mosher Amide of (-)-49 (64). Oxalyl chloride (60 μL, 0.66 mmol) was added to a solution of (*R*)-α-methoxy-α-(trifluoromethyl)phenylacetic acid (32 mg, 0.14 mmol) and DMF (10 μL, 0.14 mmol) in 1 mL of hexane and the mixture was stirred for 1 h at 25 °C, filtered, and concentrated. The resulting acid chloride was stirred with (-)-49-HCl (20 mg, 0.12 mmol, prepared with catalyst 60) and diisopropylethylamine (42 μL, 0.24 mmol) in 1 mL of dry CH₂Cl₂ for 1 h at 25 °C. The mixture was concentrated, taken up in a saturated ammonium chloride solution, and extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated. Flash chromatography on silica gel (80:20 hexanes/EtOAc) gave 34 mg (74%) of Mosher amide 64: $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$ +70 (*c* 1.0, MeOH); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 7.59-7.62 (m, 2), 7.36-7.40 (m, 3), 4.53-4.60 (m, 1), 4.17-4.27 (m, 2), 3.67 (s, 3), 2.04-2.20 (m, 2), 1.78-1.82 (m, 1), 1.63 (s, 3), 1.57-1.63 (m, 1), 1.31 (t, 3, *J* = 7.0), 0.21 (d, 3, *J* = 6.1); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 173.5, 163.8, 133.5, 129.4, 128.1 (2 C), 127.2 (2 C), 123.7 (q, *J* = 290), 84.5 (q, *J* = 24), 68.1, 61.2, 54.8, 54.7, 34.5, 32.8, 20.7, 19.0, 14.1; IR (neat) 1731, 1641; HRMS (ES) Calcd for C₁₉H₂₅NO₄F₃ (MH⁺) 388.1736, found 388.1732.

Oxidation of 26 with Two Equivalents of Lead Tetraacetate at Reflux to Give *tert*-Butyl (4β,7aβ)-4,7a-Diacetoxy-3-amino-5,6,7,7a-tetrahydro-1-oxo-1*H*pyrrolizine-2-carboxylate (65). Lead tetraacetate (257 mg, 0.58 mmol) was added to a solution of **26** (70 mg, 0.29 mmol) in 9 mL of dry benzene. The mixture was stirred under N₂ at reflux for 20 h, filtered, and washed with saturated sodium bicarbonate solution. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated to give 45 mg of crude diacetate **65**. Flash chromatography on silica gel (97:3 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH) gave 40 mg (39%) of pure **65**: UV (MeOH) λ_{max} nm (log ε) 207 (3.98), 239 (4.16), 268 (4.08); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 8.28 (br s, 1, NH), 7.95 (br s, 1, NH), 6.04 (dd, 1, *J* = 6.1, 6.7, H-4), 2.55-2.65 (m, 2, H-5), 2.34 (dd, 1, *J* = 6.1, 13.5, H-6 α), 2.14 (s, 3), 2.08 (s, 3), 1.74 (ddd, 1, *J* = 12.8, 12.8, 9.2, H-6 β), 1.54 (s, 9); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 185.0, 173.2, 171.3, 168.2, 165.2, 97.6, 88.2, 84.2, 80.4, 32.2, 31.9, 28.4 (3 C), 21.3, 21.0; IR (neat) 1759, 1730, 1656, 1625; HRMS (ES) Calcd for C₁₆H₂₃N₂O₇ (MH⁺) 355.1505, found 355.1517.

An NOE was observed between H₄ at δ 6.04 and one or both H₅'s at δ 2.55-2.65, H₆ at δ 1.74 and the acetate at δ 2.14.

Oxidation of (7a*S*)-*tert*-Butyl 3-Amino-5,6,7,7a-tetrahydro-1-oxo-1*H*pyrrolizine-2-carboxylate (26) with One Equivalent of Lead Tetraacetate at 25 °C. Lead tetraacetate (110 mg, 0.25 mmol) was added to a solution of 26 (50 mg, 0.20 mmol) in 6 mL of dry benzene. The mixture was stirred under N₂ at 25 °C for 20 h, filtered, and washed with saturated sodium bicarbonate solution. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated to give 30 mg of a mixture of 26, 66, and 67. Flash chromatography on silica gel (39:1 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH) gave 12 mg of 90% pure 66, followed by 4 mg of pure 66, 1 mg of a 2:1 mixture of 66 and 68, 3 mg of pure 68 and 6 mg of recovered 26.

Data for *tert*-butyl 3-amino-5,6,7,7a-tetrahydro-7a-methoxy-1-oxo-1*H*pyrrolizine-2-carboxylate (**68**): UV (MeOH) λ_{max} nm (log ε) 211 (3.73), 239 (3.83), 270 (3.60); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 8.35 (br s, 1, NH), 5.48 (br s, 1, NH), 3.42-3.50 (m, 1), 3.27-3.35 (m, 1) , 3.21 (s, 3), 2.30-2.42 (m, 1), 2.06-2.16 (m, 2), 1.60-1.70 (m, 1), 1.55 (s, 9); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 80.5, 51.4, 46.2, 32.2, 28.5 (3 C), 26.1, five quaternary carbons were not observed; IR (neat) 1712, 1650, 1616; HRMS (ES) Calcd for $C_{13}H_{21}N_2O_4$ (MH⁺) 269.1501, found 269.1508.

Data for *tert*-butyl (4 β ,7 $\alpha\beta$)-4-acetoxy-3-amino-5,6,7,7a-tetrahydro-1-oxo-1*H*pyrrolizine-2-carboxylate (**66**): UV (MeOH) λ_{max} nm (log ε) 204 (3.51), 239 (3.63), 260 (3.57); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 8.05 (br s, 1, NH), 7.72 (br s, 1, NH), 5.95 (dd, 1, *J* = 5.5, 5.5, H-4), 4.05 (dd, 1, *J* = 8.0, 9.1, H-7a), 2.50-2.58 (m, 1, H-5), 2.25-2.40 (m, 2, H-5, H-6), 2.16 (s, 3), 1.65-1.75 (m, 1, H-6), 1.55 (s, 9); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) 83.6, 68.4, 33.6, 28.5 (3 C), 26.0, 21.4, six quaternary carbons were not observed; IR (neat) 1726, 1652, 1620; HRMS (ES) Calcd for C₁₄H₂₁N₂O₅ (MH⁺) 297.1450, found 297.1454.

An NOE was observed between H₄ at δ 5.95 and H₅ at δ 2.55. Another NOE was observed between H_{7a} at δ 4.05 and H₆ and/or H₅ at δ 2.3, and lastly, an NOE was observed between H₆ at δ 1.7 and H₆ and/or H₅ at 2.3 and H₅ at 2.55.

Oxidation of 26 with One Equivalent of Lead Tetraacetate at Reflux. Lead tetraacetate (180 mg, 0.40 mmol) was added to a solution of **26** (100 mg, 0.40 mmol) in 12 mL of dry benzene. The mixture was stirred under N_2 at reflux for 1.5 h, filtered, and washed with saturated sodium bicarbonate solution. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated to give 50 mg of a 3:3:2 mixture of **26**, **67**, and **66**, and a trace of diacetate **65**.

(*S*)-Proline-*N*-carboxyanhydride (76) was prepared as previously described.⁴⁹ Triphosgene (62 mg, 0.21) in 2 mL of dry THF was added over a 5-10 min period to a solution of proline (75, 60 mg, 0.52 mmol) in 2 mL of dry THF at 15 °C. The mixture was submerged in a 40-45 °C oil bath and stirred until the solution was homogenous (60-90 min). The solution was then concentrated to an oil with careful exclusion of air to eliminate any excess HCl present. The oil was dissolved in 2 mL of dry THF and cooled to 0 °C. Triethylamine (72 μ L, 0.52 mmol) was added dropwise over a period of 10 min and the mixture was stirred for 30 min. The mixture was filtered with careful exclusion of air to give proline-NCA in a solution of THF that was used immediately.

Methyl (2*E*)-[(7a*S*)-Tetrahydro-3-oxo-1*H*,3*H*-pyrrolo[1,2-*c*]oxazol-1-ylidene]acetate (78). A solution of 76 in 2 mL of THF (prepared from 0.52 mmol of proline) was added to methyl (triphenylphosphoranylidene)acetate (77, 87 mg, 0.26 mmol) in 1 mL of dry toluene under N₂ in a microwave tube. The mixture was heated at 150 °C at 75 psi for 15 min in a microwave. After cooling, the mixture was concentrated to give crude 78 as a 9:1 mixture of the *E* and *Z* products. Flash chromatography on silica gel (98:2 CH₂Cl₂/MeOH) gave 18 mg (35%) of pure 78: $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$ -207 (*c* 1.0, MeOH); UV (MeOH) λ_{max} nm (log ε) 212 (4.01), 238 (4.13); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 5.66 (d, 1, *J* = 1.8), 4.92 (ddd, 1, *J* = 7.3, 7.3, 1.8), 3.73 (s, 3), 3.69 (ddd, 1, *J* = 8.0, 8.0, 11.6), 3.27-3.34 (m, 1), 2.58-2.67 (m, 1), 2.02-2.18 (m, 2), 1.55-1.68 (m, 1); ¹³C NMR 166.6, 165.6, 156.6, 95.3, 64.2, 51.4, 45.9, 30.2, 26.2; IR (neat) 1804, 1716, 1667; HRMS (ES) Calcd for C₉H₁₂NO₄ (MH⁺) 198.0766, found 198.0767.













































































































