Supporting Information for:

Highly Enantioselective Catalytic Dynamic Resolution of N-Boc-2-lithiopiperidine: Synthesis

of (R)-(+)-N-Boc-pipecolic acid, (S)-(-)-Coniine, (S)-(+)-Pelletierine, (+)-β-Conhydrine, (S)-

(-)-Ropivacaine, and Formal Synthesis of (-)-Lasubine II and (+)-Cermizine C

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1. Structures



2. General/Typical Procedures

All experiments involving organolithium reagents were carried out under an inert atmosphere of argon or nitrogen and using freshly distilled solvents. Diethyl ether (Et₂O) was distilled from sodium benzophenone ketyl. The ligands 4 to 9 were purified by Kugelrohr distillation. Commercial *N*,*N*,*N*',*N*'-tetramethylethylene diamine (TMEDA), tributyltin chloride, trimethylsilyl chloride, phenyl isocyanate, 2,6-dimethylphenyl isocyanate, benzaldehyde, 1naphthaldehyde, acetaldehyde, propionaldehyde, cyclohexanone, methyl chloroformate, allyl chloride, allyl bromide, benzyl bromide, 1-bromopropane, were further purified prior to use. The concentrations of commercial s-BuLi (solution in cyclohexane) and n-BuLi (solution in hexanes) were determined prior to use by No-D NMR spectroscopy. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (230-400 mesh). For all enantiomer ratio (er) analyses, authentic racemic compounds were used to establish the method of separation of the enantiomers. The temperature was controlled by a thermostatted cooling coil and all reported temperatures were internal to a reaction vessel.

A. Procedures for the synthesis of chiral ligands

i) N-Boc-(S)-Leucine

To a solution of (*S*)-leucine (10 g, 76.2 mmol) in 2 M NaOH_(aq) (200 mL), di-*tert*-butyl dicarbonate (22.4 g, 91.5 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was added slowly. The mixture was stirred for 18 h at room temperature prior to addition of CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL). The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was acidified with citric acid (20 g) and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3 x 50 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over MgSO₄, filtered and evaporated to give 17.1 g of the *N*-Boc-(*S*)-leucine in 97% yield as an oil.

ii) (S)-Proline methyl ester hydrochloride

To a solution of (*S*)-proline (5.8 g, 50.0 mmol) in anhydrous MeOH (35 mL) at 0 °C, was added $SOCl_2$ (4.0 mL, 55 mmol, 1.1 equiv) dropwise over a five minute period. The mixture was stirred for 2 h and then concentrated under high vacuum to give 8.28 g of the desired product in 100% yield.

iii). N-Boc-Leu-Pro-OMe:

To a stirred solution of *N*-Boc-(*S*)-leucine (5.8 g, 25 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CHCl₃ (100 mL) was added 1-ethyl-3-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)carbodiimide, EDCI (4.9 g, 25 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and 1-

hydroxybenzotriazole, HOBt (3.8 g, 25 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The suspension was stirred for 10 min and (*S*)-proline methyl ester hydrochloride (4.14 g, 25 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in Et₃N (10 mL) / CHCl₃ (50 mL) was added. After 10 h at room temperature, the solvents were evaporated. Ethylacetate (150 mL) was added and the mixture was stirred for 30 min. The solution was filtered and the filtrate was washed with 10% citric acid (3 x 100 mL) and then with 10% NaHCO₃ (3 x 50 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated to give 7.52 g of the pure dipeptide ester as a pale yellow oil in 88% yield.

iv). Reduction of N-Boc-dipeptide esters:

To a stirred suspension of LiAlH₄ (6.0 g, 158 mmol, 7.7 equiv) in THF (50 mL), cooled to 0 °C, was added dropwise a solution of the dipeptide ester (7.0 g, 20 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (100 mL). The mixture was stirred for 10 min at room temperature, then heated under reflux for 16 h. The mixture was cooled to 0 °C and Et₂O (100 mL) was added. The mixture was carefully quenched by slow addition of NaOH, 2M (200 mL) upon stirring until all the salts appeared white. The solvent was decanted, and the remaining white solid was washed with Et₂O. The Et₂O extracts were concentrated to 100 mL and extracted with 2 M HCl_(aq) (3 x 20 mL). The aqueous layer was then basified with 50% KOH (aq) to pH 14 and extracted with Et₂O (3 x 50 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated to give the crude product. Purification by Kugelrohr distillation gave 3.51 g of alcohol (conjugate acid of **8**) as a colorless oil in 82% yield.

3.1.1. (*S*)-*N*-Boc-Valine



Using **Typical Procedure A(i)**, (*S*)-Valine (10 g, 85.4 mmol) in 2 M NaOH (200 mL), di-*tert*butyl dicarbonate (22.4 g, 102.5 mmol, 1.2 equiv) gave 17.8 g of the *N*-Boc-protected amino acid in 96% yield as an oil, data as reported.²

3.1.2. (*S*)-*N*-Boc-Leucine



Using **Typical Procedure A(i)**, (*S*)-Leucine, (10 g, 76.2 mmol) in 2 M NaOH (200 mL), di-*tert*butyl dicarbonate (20 g, 91.5 mmol, 1.2 equiv) gave 17.1 g of the *N*-Boc-protected amino acid in 97% yield as an oil, data as reported.²

3.1.3. (S)-Proline methyl ester hydrochloride

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Using **Typical Procedure A(ii)**, (*S*)-Proline (5.8 g, 50.0 mmol), MeOH (35 mL) and SOCl₂ (4.0 mL, 55 mmol, 1.1 equiv) gave 8.28 g of the desired product in 100% yield, data as reported.² **3.1.4.** (*S*,*S*)-*N*-Boc-Val-Pro-OMe



Using **Typical Procedure A(iii)**, *N*-Boc-(*S*)-valine (5.43 g, 25 mmol, 1.0 equiv), CHCl₃ (100 mL), EDCI (4.9 g, 25 mmol, 1.0 equiv), HOBt (3.8 g, 25 mmol, 1.0 equiv), (*S*)-proline methyl ester hydrochloride (4.14 g, 25 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in Et₃N (10 mL) / CHCl₃ (50 mL) gave 7.54 g of the pure dipeptide ester as a pale yellow oil in 92% yield, data as reported ^{2 13}C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) (mixture of rotamers) δ = 172.6 (C=O of ester), 170.1 and 169.1 (C=O of amide), 156.5 (C=O of carbamate), 80.2 and 79.8 (C), 59.3 and 58.5 (CH), 56.8 and 56.2 (CH), 52.6 (CH₃), 46.7(CH₂), 31.7 (CH), 28.5 (CH₂), 28.1 and 28.0, 27.8 (3 x CH₃), 25.0 and 24.9 (CH₂), 19.4 and 19.0 (CH₃), 18.4 and 18.2 (CH₃)

3.1.5. ((S)-1-((S)-3-methyl-2-(methylamino)butyl)pyrrolidin-2-yl) methanol, conjugate acid of ligand 7



Using **Typical Procedure A(iv)**, LiAlH₄ (6.0 g, 158 mmol, 7.7 equiv) in THF (50 mL), the dipeptide, (*S*,*S*)-*N*-Boc-Val-Pro-OMe (6.84 g, 20 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (100 mL) gave 3.44 g of the desired alcohol of **7** as a colorless oil in 86% yield. ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 66.4 (CH), 64.4 (CH₂), 63.6 (CH), 56.7 (CH₂), 56.1 (CH₂), 40.5 (CH), 34.1 (CH₃), 28.3 (CH₂), 24.0 (CH₂), 18.5 (CH₃) and 17.9 (CH₃).



3.1.6. (*S*,*S*)-*N*-Boc-leucylproline methyl ester



Using **Typical Procedure A(iii)**, *N*-Boc-(*S*)-leucine (5.8 g, 25 mmol, 1.0 equiv), CHCl₃ (100 mL), EDCI (4.9 g, 25 mmol, 1.0 equiv), HOBt (3.8 g, 25 mmol, 1.0 equiv), (*S*)-proline methyl ester hydrochloride (4.14 g, 25 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in Et₃N (10 mL) / CHCl₃ (50 mL) gave 7.52 g of the pure dipeptide ester as a pale yellow oil in 88% yield, data as reported ² $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$ -2.8 (*c* = 0.25, MeOH); ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) (mixture of rotamers) δ = 172.6 (C=O of ester), 170.1 and 169.1 (C=O of amide), 155.8 (C=O of carbamate), 80.2 and 79.8 (C), 58.5 (CH), 52.4 (CH₃), 50.6 (CH), 46.7 (CH₂), 41.3 (CH₂), 29.2 and 29.1 (CH₂), 28.5, 28.4 and 28.3 (3 x CH₃), 25.0 and 24.9 (CH₂), 23.7 (CH), 23.2 (CH₃), 23.1 (CH₃).

Note: It is necessary to maintain a 1:1 molar stoichiometry of Boc-leucine to proline methylester; otherwise column chromatography on silica is required for purification, eluting with Hexane/EtOAc; (80:20)

3.1.7. [(*S*)-1-((*S*)-2-Methylamino-4-methylpentyl)pyrrolidin-2-yl]methanol, conjugate acid of ligand 8



Using **Typical Procedure** A(iv), LiAlH₄ (6.0 g, 158 mmol, 7.7 equiv) in THF (50 mL), dipeptide ester (7.0 g, 20 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (100 mL) gave 3.51 g of the desired alcohol of **8** as a colorless oil in 82% yield. $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$ +18.15 (c = 2.0, MeOH); FT-IR ν_{max} (film)/cm⁻¹ 3330, 2960, 2860, 2820, 1455, 1260, 1080, 1010; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 3.41 (1H, dd, CHOH), 3.24 (1H, dd, CHOH), 3.21–3.16 (1H, quin, CHN), 2.72–2.41 (4H, m, 4 x CHN), 2.4 (3H, s, NCH₃), 2.38 (1H, q, CHN), 1.83–1.25 (7H, m, 5 x CH, NH, OH), 0.97–0.80 (8H, m, 2 x CH, 2 x CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 66.8 (CH), 65.2 (CH₂), 59.1 (CH₂), 57.3 (CH), 57.2 (CH₂), 42.0 (CH₂), 33.1 (CH₃), 27.9 (CH₂), 24.8 (CH), 24.2 (CH₂), 23.0 (CH₃) and 22.8 (CH₃).



3.1.8. ((*R*)-1-((*S*)-4-methyl-2-(methylamino)pentyl)pyrrolidin-2-yl) methanol, conjugate acid of ligand 9:

The dilithiated diamino alcohol 9a, precursor of 9 was synthesized in the same way as 8a, starting from (*S*)-leucine and (*R*)-proline.



Scheme 1. Preparation of **9a.** i) NaOH (2 M), Boc₂O (1.2 equiv in CH₂Cl₂), rt, 18 h; 98%, ii) SOCl₂ (1.1 equiv), MeOH, 0 °C, 2 h, 100%, iii) EDCI, HOBt, Et₃N, CHCl₃), rt, 10 h; 92%, $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$ 18 (*c* = 0.20, MeOH) iv) LiAlH₄, THF, 0 °C then heat, 16 h; 85%, $[\alpha]^{22}_{D}$ 66.25 (*c* = 2.0, MeOH).





4. Activation parameters for DTR of *N*-Boc-2-lithiopiperidine 2 in the presence of TMEDA and 8

The progress of the resolution was followed by generating the organolithium **2** using tin–lithium exchange in Et₂O at -78 °C with *n*-BuLi and TMEDA, followed by addition of **8** (1.0 equiv) and warming to the desired temperature for different time periods, then cooling to -78 °C and electrophilic quench with excess Me₃SiCl as previously described.³



Scheme 4. Resolution of R-2 (<65:35 er) in the presence of 1.0 equiv 8 and 2.0 equiv TMEDA

Typical kinetic run:

In oven-dried, septum-capped vials equipped with a stir bar, *R*-10 (60:40 er, 0.06 M in Et₂O) and TMEDA (2.0 equiv) were treated with *n*-BuLi (1.2 equiv) at -78 °C for 30 min under argon to effect tin-lithium exchange. The alcohol **8a**, (precursor of **8**; 1.0 equiv, 0.06 M in Et₂O) was treated with freshly titrated *sec*-BuLi (2.0 equiv). After complete transmetalation as noted by the disappearance of **10**, the preformed alkoxide **8** was then added and the flask was quickly transferred to a second thermostatted bath at -20 °C. At various time intervals a vial was cooled to -78 °C and rapidly quenched with excess Me₃SiCl. After 4 h, MeOH was added and the mixture was extracted into Et₂O. The silanes were subsequently analyzed by CSP-GC or CSP-SFC. The rate constants were determined by non-linear fits to the zero-order plots.

 Table 1. Evolution of er in the DTR of 2.8 with TMEDA (2.0 equiv)

A). T = 253 K

 $k_{obs} = 1.88 \pm 0.08 \text{ x } 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Time (min)	er (S:R)
0	37:63
5	60:40
15	87:13
30	96:4
60	96:4

The DTR of **2** in the presence of **8** converges to 96:4, using TMSCI. The equilibrium constant is 96:4 (*S:R*).

B). T = 245 K

$$k_{obs} = 9.32 \pm 0.48 \text{ x } 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Time (min)	er (S:R)
0	45:55
15	73:27
30	88:12
60	93:7
90	96:4
120	96:4

C) T = 233 K

$$k_{obs} = 2.09 \pm 0.03 \text{ x } 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Time (min)	er (S:R)
0	44:56
30	60:40
60	71:29
150	89:11

D). T = 223 K

 $k_{obs} = 6.94 \pm 0.32 \text{ x } 10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Time (min)	er (S:R)
0	45:55
60	56:44
120	63:37
210	74:26
300	84:16

E).
$$T = 213 \text{ K}$$

 $k_{obs} = 3.65 \pm 0.05 \text{ x } 10^{-5} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Time (min)	er (S:R)
0	41:59
60	45:55
120	51:49
210	58:42
300	71:29

F) Rate constants

Temp (K)	$k_{obs} (x \ 10^{-5} \mathrm{s}^{-1})$
253	188 ± 8
245	93.2 ± 4.8
233	20.9 ± 0.3
223	6.94 ± 0.32
213	3.65 ± 0.05



Temp (K)	1/T (K ⁻¹)	$k_{obs} (\mathbf{x} \ 10^{-4} \mathrm{s}^{-1})^{\mathrm{a}}$	$-\ln(k_{obs}/T)$	$-\ln(k_{RS}/T)$	$-\ln(k_{SR}/T)$
253	0.003952	18.84 ± 0.08	-12.5008	-12.5416	-15.7197
245	0.00408	9.32 ± 0.48	-12.4794	-12.5202	-15.6983
233	0.004292	2.09 ± 0.03	-13.9230	-13.9642	-17.1423
223	0.004484	0.72 ± 0.03	-14.9829	-15.0237	-18.2018
213	0.004695	0.36 ± 0.05	-15.5799	-15.6207	-18.7987
a. $k_{obs} = k_{RS} + k_{SR}$; $K_{eq} = \frac{k_{RS}}{k_{SR}} = \frac{[S]_{eq}}{[R]_{eq}} = \frac{96}{4} = 24$ $k_{RS} = \frac{k_{obs}K_{eq}}{1+K_{eq}}$ and $k_{SR} = \left(1 - \frac{K_{eq}}{1+K_{eq}}\right)k_{obs}$					

Table 2. Eyring plot parameters for DTR of **2** in the presence of 1.0 equiv **8** and 2.0 equiv TMEDA

From the Eyring equation, the activation parameters can be calculated using regression analysis as previously described.³

 $\ln\!\left(\frac{k}{T}\right) = -\frac{\Delta H^{\ddagger}}{RT} + \ln\frac{k_B}{h} + \frac{\Delta S^{\ddagger}}{R}$

For DTR of 2.8, the equation of the line is

y = -5304.15x + 9.02

 $\Delta H^{\ddagger} = -\text{slope} \cdot R, \ \Delta S^{\ddagger} = \text{Intercept} \cdot R - R \ln(k_{\text{B}}/T), \ \Delta G^{\ddagger} = \Delta H^{\ddagger} - T \Delta S^{\ddagger}$





B. General Procedure for Catalytic Dynamic Resolution (CDR) of 2-lithio-*N*-Boc-piperidine by Deprotonation

In an oven-dried, septum-capped 25 mL round bottom flask equipped with a stir bar, N-Boc-piperidine (1.0 equiv) and freshly distilled TMEDA (4.0 equiv) were dissolved in freshly distilled Et₂O under argon. The solution was cooled to -78 °C and s-BuLi (1.2 equiv) was added slowly by means of a syringe over a ten minute period. The mixture was stirred for 3 h to effect deprotonation, affording rac-2·TMEDA. The extent of deprotonation was monitored by quenching an aliquot of the reaction mixture with methanol-d₁ (CH₃OD) and checking for deuterium incorporation by GC-MS. The dilithiated diamino alcohol 8a (10 mol%) in Et₂O was treated with freshly titrated s-BuLi (20 mol%). After complete deprotonation of N-Bocpiperidine as noted by MS, the preformed alkoxide 8 was then added and the flask was quickly transferred to a second thermostatted bath at -45 °C, and allowed to stir for 3 h. The mixture was cooled to -78 °C and rapidly quenched with excess electrophile (>1.5 equiv). After 2 – 4 h, MeOH was added and the mixture was stirred for 5 min. After warming to room temperature, 2 M HCl was added. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O. The combined organic layers were dried over $MgSO_4$ and evaporated to obtain the crude product. Purification by silica gel column chromatography was accompanied by er (and dr when applicable) determination.

C. General Procedure for Catalytic Dynamic Resolution (CDR) of 2-lithio-*N*-Bocpiperidine by Deprotonation followed by Negishi coupling

In an oven-dried, septum-capped 25 mL round bottom flask equipped with a stir bar, *N*-Boc-piperidine (1.0 equiv) and freshly distilled TMEDA (4.0 equiv) were dissolved in freshly distilled Et₂O under argon. The solution was cooled to -78 °C and *s*-BuLi (1.2 equiv) was added slowly by means of a syringe over a ten minute period. The mixture was stirred for 3 h to effect deprotonation, affording *rac*-**2**·TMEDA. The extent of deprotonation was monitored by quenching an aliquot of the reaction mixture with methanol-d₁ (CH₃OD) and checking for deuterium incorporation by GC-MS. The dilithiated diamino alcohol **8a** (10 mol%) in Et₂O was treated with freshly titrated *s*-BuLi (20 mol%). After complete deprotonation of *N*-Boc-piperidine as noted by MS, the preformed alkoxide **8** was then added and the flask was quickly transferred to a second thermostatted bath at -45 °C, and allowed to stir for 3 h. The mixture was

cooled to -78 °C and a solution of ZnCl₂ (1.3 equiv) in THF was added slowly. After 30 min a solution of CuCN·2LiCl [prepared from CuCN (1.2 equiv) and LiCl (2.5 equiv)] in THF was added. After 30 min, the electrophile (allyl or benzyl halide) (3.0 equiv.) was added. The mixture was allowed to stir for 10 h at this temperature prior to addition of MeOH and warming to room temperature. A solution of NH₄Cl was added and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O. The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄ and evaporated to give the crude product. Purification by silica gel column chromatography was accompanied by er determination.

4. Catalytic Dynamic Resolution (CDR) of *N*-Boc-2-lithiopiperidine 2 in the presence of 10 and TMEDA; Variation of the nature of the Electrophile.

4.1. Electrophilic quench with trimethylsilyl chloride



Scheme 5. Synthesis of *S*-**3**. i) *s*-BuLi (1.2 equiv), Et₂O, TMEDA (4.0 equiv), -78 °C, 3 h, ii) L* (ligand **8**, 10 mol%), -45 °C, 3 h, iii) Me₃SiCl (3.0 equiv), -78 °C, 4 h, then MeOH, rt, 74%.

Using **General Procedure B**, *N*-Boc-piperidine (185 mg, 1.0 mmol), TMEDA (0.6 mL, 4 mmol, 4.0 equiv) in 10 mL Et₂O, chiral ligand **8a** (21.4 mg, 10 mol%) in 1.0 mL Et₂O, Me₃SiCl (0.36 g, 3.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv) for 4 h, gave the crude product as a pale yellow oil. Purification by silica gel chromatography eluting with hexane- EtOAc (98:2) afforded 188 mg of *S*-**3** as a colorless oil in 74% yield (96:4 er), data as reported.⁴. $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +38 (c = 2, CHCl₃), lit.²⁴ for *S*-**3** of 95:5 er, +36.4, *c* = 1.95, CHCl₃). Evaluation of the enantiomer ratio was performed by CSP-GC on a β-cyclodextrin-permethylated 120 fused silica capillary column [30 m × 0.25 mm i.d., 20% permethylated β-cyclodextrin in SPB-35 poly(35% diphenyl/65% dimethyl)siloxane. Pressure = 15 psi, Initial temperature = 70 °C, Final temperature = 90 °C, Hold time = 2 min, Rate = 5 °C/min. *S*-**3** elutes after 60.2 min and *R*-**3** elutes after 61.6 min.

Alternatively, the enantiomers were resolved by CSP-SFC under the following conditions: **Column:** Regis Technologies Pirkle Whelk-O-1, **Chiral Stationary Phase**: 4-(3,5-dinitrobenzamido) tetrahydrophenanthrene, covalently bound to silica, **Flow Rate** = 1.0 mL/min,

Polarity Modifier = 1.0% EtOH; Outlet Pressure = 150 psi, Oven Temperature = 35 °C, Hold

time = 3.0 min. (R)-3 elutes after 9.97 min and (S)-3 elutes after 10.5 min.



Note: *R*-**3** (98:2 er) was prepared in 70% yield, in the same way as *S*-**3** using **9** as the chiral ligand, L*.

4.2. Electrophilic quench with tributyltin chloride



Scheme7. Synthesis of *S*-**10**. 1) *s*-BuLi (1.2 equiv), Et₂O, TMEDA (4.0 equiv), -78 °C, 3 h, 2) L* (ligand **8**, 10 mol%), -45 °C, 3 h, 3) Bu₃SnCl (3.0 equiv), -78 °C, 4 h, then MeOH, rt, 66%.

Using General Procedure B, *N*-Boc-piperidine (0.43 g, 2.35 mmol), TMEDA (1.4 mL, 9.24 mmol, 4.0 equiv) in 10 mL Et₂O, chiral ligand **8a** (50.5 mg, 0.24 mmol, 10 mol%.) in 1.0 mL Et₂O, Bu₃SnCl (0.75 mL, 2.8 mmol, 1.2 equiv) for 4 h, gave the crude product as a pale yellow oil. Purification by silica gel chromatography eluting with hexane-EtOAc (99:1) afforded 730 mg of *S*-10 as a colorless oil in 66% yield and 96:4 er, data as reported.⁵ $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +41 (c = 2, CHCl₃), lit. for *S*-10 (80:20 er, +28, *c* = 1.0, CHCl₃) and for *R*-10 (>99:1 er, $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -42.2 (*c* = 1.8, CHCl₃). The enantiomers were resolved by CSP-SFC under the following conditions: Column: Regis Technologies Whelk-O-1, Chiral Stationary Phase: 4-(3,5-dinitrobenzamido) tetrahydrophenanthrene, covalently bound to silica, Flow Rate = 1.0 mL/min, Polarity Modifier = 1.2% Methanol; Outlet Pressure = 150 psi, Oven Temperature = 35 °C, (*R*)-10 elutes after 7.5 minutes and (*S*)-10 elutes after 8.3 minutes.



4.3. (R)-N-Boc-2-(tributylstannyl)piperidine R-10

R-10 (97:3 er) was prepared in 62% yield, in the same way as *S*-10 using 9 as the chiral ligand, L*. $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ -38.5 (c = 2, CHCl₃), lit. for *R*-10 (>99:1 er, $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ -42.2 (c = 1.8, CHCl₃). **4.4.** Electrophilic quench with carbon dioxide: Synthesis of *N*-Boc-(*R*)-(+)-pipecolic acid (*R*-11)



Scheme8. Synthesis of *R*-**11**. 1) *s*-BuLi (1.2 equiv), Et₂O, TMEDA (4.0 equiv), -78 °C, 3 h, 2) L* (ligand **8**, 10 mol%), -45 °C, 3 h, 3) CO₂ (3.0 equiv), -78 °C, 2 h, then MeOH, rt, 78%.

Using **General Procedure B**, *N*-Boc-piperidine (185 mg, 1.0 mmol), TMEDA (0.6 mL, 4 mmol, 4.0 equiv) in 10 mL Et₂O, chiral ligand **8** (21.4 mg, 10 mol%) in 1.0 mL Et₂O were stirred for 3 h at –45 °C. The solution was cooled to –78 °C and quenched by bubbling dry ice (88 mg, 2 mmol, 2.0 equiv) into the reaction mixture via cannula. for 2 h prior to addition of MeOH (2 mL) and warming to room temperature. Purification by silica gel chromatography eluting with hexane-EtOAc (40:60) afforded 179 mg of *R*-**11** as a colorless oil in 78% yield and 98:2 er, data as reported.⁶ $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +42.0 (*c* = 1, MeOH), {lit⁶ for (*S*)-**11** of >99:1 er $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -45.777 (*c* = 1.0 MeOH). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃, rotamers) δ = 11.6 (1H, br s, CO₂H), 4.90 and 4.71 (1H, s, NCH), 4.00 and 3.91 (1H, d, NCH), 2.96 and 2.88 (1H, t, NCH), 2.21 (1H, t, CH), 1.75-1.55 (5H, m, 2 x CH₂ and CH), 1.45 and 1.43 (9H, s, *t*-Bu); ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃, rotamers) δ = 177.7 (C=O), 80.3 (C), 54.7 & 53.6 (CH), 42.1 & 41.0 (CH₂), 28.3 (CH₃), 26.6 (CH₂), 24.7, 24.5 (CH₂), 20.8 (CH₂); The er was determined by converting *R*-**11** to its corresponding methyl ester, *R*-**12**.

Note: S-11 (97:3 er) was prepared in 81% yield, in the same way as *R*-11 using 9 as the chiral ligand, L*.



4.5. Electrophilic quench with methylchloro formate: Synthesis of (*R*)-*N*-Boc-piperidine-2carboxylic acid methyl ester *R*-12



Scheme 9. Synthesis of *R*-**12.** 1) *s*-BuLi (1.2 equiv), Et₂O, TMEDA (4.0 equiv), -78 °C, 3 h, 2) L* (ligand **8**, 10 mol%), -45 °C, 3 h, 3) MeOCOCl (3.0 equiv), -78 °C, 2 h, then MeOH, warm to rt, 88%, >99:1 er.

Using General Procedure B, N-Boc-piperidine (370 mg, 2.0 mmol), TMEDA (1.2 mL, 8.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv) in 10 mL Et₂O, chiral ligand 8a (43.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 10 mol%) in 10 mL Et₂O, freshly distilled methyl chloroformate (0.57 g, 0.45 mL, 6 mmol, 3.0 equiv) for 2 h, gave the crude product as an oil. Purification by silica gel chromatography eluting with hexane-EtOAc (95:5) afforded 428 mg of *R*-12 as a colorless oil in 88% yield, 98:2 er. $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +45.2 (c = 2, CHCl₃), lit^{7a} for S-**12** of 85% ee); $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -48.1 (*c* = 1.11, CHCl₃) and of 88:12 er; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ -31.7 (*c* = 1.0, CHCl₃).^{7b.1}H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 4.4 (1H, s, NCH), 3.4 (3H, s, OCH₃), 2.84– 2.72 (1H, m, NCH), 2.32 (1H, d, J 14 Hz, CH), 1.96–1.83 (1H, m, CH), 1.66–1.51 (4H, m, 2 x CH₂), 1.35 (9H, s, *t*-Bu);¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 170.5 (C=O), δ = 156.2 (C=O), 80.7 (C), 55.7 (CH₃), 54.7 (CH), 42.2 (CH₂), 28.2 (CH₃), 25.1 (CH₂), 24.6 (CH₂) and 20.1 (CH₂). The enantiomers were resolved by CSP-SFC under the following conditions: Column: Regis Whelk-O **Stationary** Technologies 1. Chiral Phase: 4-(3,5-dinitrobenzamido) tetrahydrophenanthrene, covalently bound to silica, Flow Rate = 1.0 mL/min, Polarity Modifier = 1.2% MeOH, Outlet Pressure = 150 psi, Oven Temperature = 35 °C. R-12 elutes after S-12 after ca 16 minutes.

Alternatively, the enantiomers were resolved by CSP GC { β -cyclodextrin-permethylated 120 fused silica capillary column [30 m × 0.25 mm i.d., 20% permethylated β -cyclodextrin in SPB-35 poly(35% diphenyl/65% dimethyl)siloxane, Pressure = 15 psi, Initial temperature = 100 °C, Final temperature = 150 °C, Hold time = 5 min, Rate = 0.5 °C/min. *S*-12 elutes before *R*-12 after *ca* 55 minutes.

Note: S-12 (>99:1 er) was prepared in 85% yield, in the same way as *R*-12 using 9 as the chiral ligand, L*.



CSP-SFC traces







4.6. Electrophilic quench with phenyl isocyanate: Synthesis of (*R*)-*N*-Boc-piperidine-2carboxylic acid phenyl amide *R*-13



Scheme 10. Synthesis of *R*-**13.** 1) *s*-BuLi (1.2 equiv), Et₂O, TMEDA (4.0 equiv), -78 °C, 3 h, 2) L* (ligand **8**, 10 mol%), -45 °C, 3 h, 3) PhNCO (3.0 equiv), -78 °C, 2 h, then MeOH, rt, 68%, >99:1 er.

Using **General Procedure B**, *N*-Boc-piperidine (370 mg, 2.0 mmol), TMEDA (1.2 mL, 8.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv) in 10 mL Et₂O, chiral ligand **8a** (43.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 10 mol%) in 1.0 mL Et₂O, phenyl isocyanate (0.66 mL, 6.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) for 2 h prior to addition of 2 mL

MeOH, gave the crude product as a yellowish solid. Purification by silica gel chromatography eluting with hexane-EtOAc (90:10) afforded 414 mg of *R*-**13** as a white crystalline solid in 68% yield and 98:2 er. $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +41 (c = 2, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.2 (1H, s, CONH), 7.44–6.91 (5H, m, Ph), 4.6 (1H, s, NCH), 4.13–4.02 (1H, br, NCH), 2.84–2.72 (1H, m, NCH), 2.32 (1H, d, *J* 14 Hz, CH), 1.96–1.83 (1H, m, CH), 1.66–1.51 (4H, m, 2 x CH₂), 1.35 (9H, s, *t*-Bu); ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 170.5 (C=O), δ = 156.2 (C=O), 137.7 (C), 128.8 (CH), 123.9 (CH), 119.5 (CH), 80.7 (C), 54.7 (CH), 42.2 (CH₂), 28.2 (CH₃), 25.1 (CH₂), 24.6 (CH₂) and 20.1 (CH₂).

The enantiomer ratio was evaluated by CSP-SFC monitoring at 210 or 254 nm by comparison with an authentic racemic sample, under the following column conditions:

Column: Regis Technologies Pirkle Whelk-O-1, **Chiral Stationary Phase**: 4-(3,5dinitrobenzamido) tetrahydrophenanthrene, covalently bound to silica. **Flow Rate** = 3.0 mL/min, **Polarity Modifier =** 3.2% EtOH, **Outlet Pressure =** 150 psi, **Oven Temperature** = 35 °C, *S*-13 elutes after 5.1 minutes and *R*-13 elutes after 5.5 minutes. Alternatively, the er was determined using a different column as follows: **Column:** Daicel Chiralcel OD-H, **Chiral Stationary Phase**: 4-Cellulose tris-(3,5-dimethylphenylcarbamate) coated on 5µm silica-gel. **Flow Rate** = 3.5 mL/min, **Polarity Modifier =** 5.0% EtOH, *S*-13 elutes after 2.2 minutes and *R*-13 elutes after 3.5 minutes.





4.7. Electrophilic quench with allyl chloride: Synthesis of (*R*)-*tert*-Butyl-2-allylpiperidine-1carboxylate *R*-14



Scheme 11. Synthesis of *R*-14. 1) *s*-BuLi (1.2 equiv), Et₂O, TMEDA (4.0 equiv), $-78 \,^{\circ}$ C, 3 h, 2) 8, (10 mol%), $-45 \,^{\circ}$ C, 3 h, 3) $-78 \,^{\circ}$ C, ZnCl₂ (1.3 equiv in THF), 30 min, CuCN·2LiCl (in THF), 30 min, 4) allyl chloride (3.0 equiv), 10 h, then MeOH, warm to rt, 63%, 95:5 er.

Using General Procedure C, *N*-Boc-piperidine (185 mg, 1.0 mmol, 0.25 M), TMEDA (586 mg, 4.0 mmol, 0.62 mL, 4.0 equiv), Et₂O (4 mL), *s*-BuLi (1.2 mL, 1.0 M, 1.2 mmol, 1.2 equiv), **8**a (21.4 mg, 0.1 mmol, 10 mol%, in 0.40 mL Et₂O pretreated with freshly titrated *s*-BuLi), ZnCl₂

(0.18 mg, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 equiv) in THF (2 mL), CuCN·2LiCl [prepared from CuCN (107 mg, 1.2 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and LiCl (107 mg, 2.5 mmol, 2.5 equiv)] in THF (3 mL), allyl chloride (0.35 mL, 3.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv.), MeOH (2 mL), NH₄Cl (5 mL), gave the crude product. Purification by silica gel chromatography eluting with hexane-EtOAc (98:2) afforded 152 mg of *R*-14 as a colorless oil in 63% yield and 95:5 er, data as reported.⁸ $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +45 (c = 1, CHCl₃), lit^{3a}. for *R*-14 of 79:21 er, $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +40, (*c* = 0.85, CHCl₃).¹ lit⁸. for *S*-14 (>99:1 er, $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ -49.2 (*c* = 0.9, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 5.72 (1H, ddt, *CH*=CH₂), 5.10 4.87 (2H, m, CH=CH₂), 4.25 (1H, br t, NCH), 3.94 (1H, br d, NCH), 2.85 2.63 (1H, m, CH), 2.45 2.10 (2H, m, CH₂), 1.65 1.46 (6H, m, 3 x CH₂), 1.42 (9H, s, *t*-Bu); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 155.1 (C=O), 135.6 (CH), 116.5 (CH₂), 79.0 (C), 50.0 (CH), 38.8 (CH₂), 34.4 (CH₂), 28.4 (3 x CH₃), 27.6 (CH₂), 25.4 (CH₂), 18.8 (CH₂). The enantiomers were resolved by CSP-SFC under the following conditions: **Column:** Regis Technologies Whelk-O-1, **Chiral Stationary Phase:** 4-(3,5-dinitrobenzamido) tetrahydrophenanthrene, covalently bound to silica, **Flow Rate** = 1.0 mL/min, **Polarity Modifier =** 1.2 % MeOH, Outlet Pressure = **150 psi, Oven Temperature** = 35 °C. *S*-14 elutes before *R*-14 after *ca* 12 minutes.

Alternatively, the enantiomers were resolved by CSP-GC { β -cyclodextrin-permethylated 120 fused silica capillary column [30 m × 0.25 mm i.d., 20% permethylated β -cyclodextrin in SPB-35 poly(35% diphenyl/65% dimethyl)siloxane, Pressure = 100 kPa, Initial temperature = 100 °C, Final temperature = 150 °C, Hold time = 2 min, Rate = 1.0 °C/min. *S*-14 elutes before *R*-14 after *ca* 30 minutes.



Note: When the equilibrated ratio of 2.8 was cooled to -78 °C and quenched directly with allyl chloride, *R*-14 was obtained in low yield (29%) and low er (57:43).

4.8. Electrophilic quench with benzyl bromide: Synthesis of (*R*)-*N*-Boc-2-benzylpiperidine *R*-15



Scheme 12. Synthesis of *R*-15. 1) *s*-BuLi (1.2 equiv), Et₂O, TMEDA (4.0 equiv), $-78 \,^{\circ}$ C, 3 h, 2) 8, (10 mol%), $-45 \,^{\circ}$ C, 3 h, 3) $-78 \,^{\circ}$ C, ZnCl₂ (1.3 equiv in THF), 30 min, CuCN·2LiCl (in THF), 30 min, 4) benzyl bromide (3.0 equiv), 10 h, then MeOH, warm to rt, 65%, 98:2 er.

Using General Procedure C, N-Boc-piperidine (185 mg, 1.0 mmol, 0.25 M), TMEDA (586 mg, 4.0 mmol, 0.62 mL, 4.0 equiv) in Et₂O (4 mL), s-BuLi (1.2 equiv), 8 (21.4 mg, 0.1 mmol, 10 mol%, 0.25 M in 0.40 mL Et₂O), ZnCl₂ (0.18 mg, 1.3 mmol, 1.3 equiv) in THF (2 mL), CuCN·2LiCl [prepared from CuCN (107 mg, 1.2 mmol, 1.2 equiv) and LiCl (107 mg, 2.5 mmol, 2.4 equiv)] in THF (3 mL), benzyl bromide (300 mg, 3.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv) for 18 h, MeOH (2 mL), NH₄Cl (5 mL) gave the crude product. Purification by silica gel chromatography eluting with hexane-EtOAc (98:2) afforded 178 mg of R-15 as a colorless oil in 65% yield and >99:1 er, data as reported.¹⁰ ¹³C NMR (75.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 154.8 (C=O),139.3 (C), 129.2 (2 x CH), 128.3 (2 x CH), 126.1 (CH), 79.9 (C), 52.4 (CH), 38.9 (CH₂), 36.1 (CH₂), 28.3 (CH₃), 27.3 (CH₂) and 25.6 (CH₂), 19.0 (CH₂). The enantiomers were resolved by CSP GC {\beta-cyclodextrinpermethylated 120 fused silica capillary column [30 m \times 0.25 mm i.d., 20% permethylated β cyclodextrin in SPB-35 poly(35% diphenyl/65% dimethyl)siloxane, Pressure = 100 kPa, Initial temperature = 100 °C, Final temperature = 150 °C, Hold time = 2 min, Rate = 1.0 °C/min. S-15 elutes after 82 min and R-15 elutes after 84 min. Alternatively, the enantiomers were resolved by CSP-SFC under the following conditions: Column: Regis Technologies Whelk-O-1, Chiral Stationary Phase: 4-(3,5-dinitrobenzamido) tetrahydrophenanthrene, covalently bound to silica, Flow Rate = 1.0 mL/min, Polarity Modifier = 1.2% MeOH, Outlet Pressure = 150 psi, Oven **Temperature** = 35 °C. S-15 elutes before *R*-15 after *ca* 11 minutes.

Note 1: When the equilibrated ratio of 2.8 was cooled to -78 °C and quenched directly with benzyl bromide, *R*-15 was obtained in low er (58:42).

Note 2: Hydrolysis of the *N*-Boc-group affords enantiopure 2-benzylpiperidine, whose racemic form is used as a stimulant drug and is known to boost norepinephine levels to around the same extent as *D*-amphetamine. It is mostly used as a synthetic intermediate for the synthesis of other drugs.





4.12. Electrophilic quench with cyclohexanone: Synthesis of the oxazolidinone R-16



Scheme 13. Synthesis of *R*-16. 1) *s*-BuLi (1.2 equiv), Et₂O, TMEDA (4.0 equiv), -78 °C, 3 h, 2) L* (ligand **8** 10 mol%), -45 °C, 3 h,, 3) cyclohexanone (3.0 equiv), -78 °C, 2 h, then rt, MeOH, 60%, 94:6 er.

Using **General Procedure B**, *N*-Boc-piperidine (185 mg, 1.0 mmol), TMEDA (0.6 mL, 4.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv) in 10 mL Et₂O, chiral ligand **8** (21.4 mg, 0.1 mmol, 10 mol%) in 1.0 mL Et₂O, cyclohexanone (294 mg, 3.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv) for 2 h, warming to room temperature and addition of MeOH (2 mL), gave the crude product as a yellowish, viscous oil. Purification by silica gel chromatography eluting with hexane-EtOAc (80:20) afforded 125.4 mg of a white solid in 60% yield and 94:6 er; mp 95 – 97 °C, $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ –38 (c = 1, CHCl₃). The spectroscopic data was in accordance with the literature.^{1 13}C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 156.6 (C=O), 81.4 (C), 63.8 (CH), 41.7 (CH₂), 36.7 (CH₂), 31.1 (CH₂), 25.5 (CH₂), 25.2 (CH₂) and 24.2 (CH₂), 23.1 (CH₂), 22.1 (CH₂) and 21.9 (CH₂). The er was determined using the following conditions:

Column: Daicel Chiralcel OD-H, **Chiral Stationary Phase**: 4-Cellulose tris-(3,5- dimethylphenylcarbamate) coated on 5µm silica-gel. Flow Rate = 3.0 mL/min, Polarity **Modifier =** 3.0% EtOH, *R*-16 elutes after 6.85 minutes and *S*-16 elutes after 7.45 minutes.





4.13. Electrophilic Quench with Benzaldehyde: Synthesis of the oxazolidinone 17



Scheme 14. Synthesis of **17.** 1) *s*-BuLi (1.2 equiv), Et₂O, TMEDA (4.0 equiv), -78 °C, 3 h, 2) L* (ligand **8,** 10 mol%.), -45 °C, 3 h, 3) benzaldehyde (3.0 equiv), -78 °C, 2 h, then warm to rt, MeOH, 74%, 1:1 to 2:1 dr, >99:1 er for (*R*,*S*)-**17**, 98:2 er for (*R*,*R*)-**17**.

Using General Procedure B, N-Boc-piperidine (370 mg, 2.0 mmol), TMEDA (1.2 mL, 8.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv) in 10 mL Et₂O, chiral ligand 8 (43 mg, 0.2 mmol, 10 mol%) in 10 mL Et₂O, freshly distilled benzaldehyde (640 mg, 6 mmol, 3.0 equiv) for 2 h, warming to room temperature and addition of MeOH gave the crude product as a pale yellow oil. Purification by silica gel chromatography eluting with hexane-EtOAc (60:40) afforded 321 mg of 17, as a mixture of diastereomers (dr ~62:38) in 74% yield. CSP-GC and CSP-SFC analyses gave four separate peaks (one for each enantiomer of the diastereomers) and revealed great enantioselectivity (major diastereomerer >99:1, minor diastereomer er 98:2). The spectroscopic data was in accordance with the literature.¹² $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{22}$ -7.7 (c = 1, CHCl₃), lit^{4c}. for **17** of 80:20 dr; $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ -2.9 (c = 1.1, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 7.50-7.23 (5H, m, Ph), 5.61 (0.2H, d, CH), 5.01 (0.8 H, d, CH), 3.93 (1H, dd, NCH), 3.81-3.61 (0.5H, m, NCH), 3.52-3.23 (1.5H, m, NCH), 1.78-1.60 (2H, m, CH₂), 1.57-1.24 (4H, m, $2 \times CH_2$); ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃, diastereomers) $\delta = 156.5$ (C=O), 138.8 (C), 129.4 & 128.8 (CH), 128.4 and 126.8 (CH), 125.8 and 125.6 (CH), 81.8 and 77.6 (CH), 62.4 and 58.9 (CH), 42.1 & 41.4 (CH₂), 30.1 and 26.8 (CH₂), 24.6 and 24.2 (CH₂), 22.9 and 22.6 (CH₂). The er was determined by CSP-SFC as follows: Column: Daicel Chiralcel OD-H, Chiral Stationary Phase: 4-Cellulose tris-(3,5dimethylphenylcarbamate) coated on 5µm silica-gel. Flow Rate = 3.0 mL/min, Polarity **Modifier =** 3.0% EtOH.





4.14. Electrophilic quench with 1-naphthaldehyde: Synthesis of the oxazolidinone 18



Scheme 15. Synthesis of **18.** 1) *s*-BuLi (1.2 equiv), Et₂O, TMEDA (4.0 equiv), -78 °C, 3 h, 2) L* (ligand **8**, 10 mol%), -45 °C, 3 h, 3) 1-naphthaldehyde (3.0 equiv), -78 °C, 2 h, then warm to rt, add MeOH, 66%, 82:18 dr (*R*,*S*:*R*,*R*), 94:6 er (*R*,*S*), 93:7 er (*R*,*R*).

Using **General Procedure B**, *N*-Boc-piperidine (370 mg, 2.0 mmol), TMEDA (1.2 mL, 8.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv) in 10 mL Et₂O, chiral ligand **8** (43.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 10 mol%) in 1.0 mL Et₂O, 1-naphthaldehyde (936 mg, 0.8 mL, 6 mmol, 3.0 equiv) for 2 h, warming to room temperature and addition of MeOH (2.0 mL) gave the crude product as a pale yellow oil. Purification by silica gel chromatography eluting with hexane-EtOAc (70:30) afforded 300 mg of **18** as a mixture of diastereomers (82:18) in 66% yield. CSP-GC and CSP-SFC analyses gave four separate peaks (one for each enantiomer of the diastereomers); 94:6 er for the major diastereomer, 93:7 er for the minor diastereomer).





4.15. Electrophilic quench with acetaldehyde: Synthesis of alcohol 19



Scheme 16. Synthesis of **19.** 1) *s*-BuLi (1.2 equiv), Et₂O, TMEDA (4.0 equiv), –78 °C, 3 h, 2) L* (ligand **8**, 10 mol%), –45 °C, 3 h, 3) –78 °C, CH₃CHO (3.0 equiv), 2 h, then MeOH, warm to rt, 78%, 85:15 dr (*R*,*S*:*R*,*R*), >99:1 er for both (*R*,*S*) and (*R*,*R*) diastereomers.

Using General Procedure B, N-Boc-piperidine (370 mg, 2.0 mmol), TMEDA (1.2 mL, 8.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv) in 10 mL Et₂O, chiral ligand 8 (43.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 10 mol%) in 1.0 mL Et₂O, acetaldehyde (264 mg, 0.33 mL, 6 mmol, 3.0 equiv) for 2 h, 2 mL MeOH gave the crude product as a pale yellow oil. Purification by silica gel chromatography eluting with hexane-EtOAc (60:40) afforded 357 mg of the desired product as a colorless oil in 76% yield, as a mixture of diastereomers (85:15). CSP-GC and CSP-SFC analyses gave four separate peaks (one for each enantiomer of the diastereomers) with high enantioselectivity (>99:1 for both). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =3.94-3.86 (2H, m, 2 × NCH), 3.76-3.70 (1H, m, NCH), 2.70 (1H, d, CH), 2.49-2.29 (1H, m, CH), 2.0 (1H, br d, CH), 1.67-1.51 (4H, m, 2 × CH₂), 1.52-1.41 (11H, m, CH₂ and t-Bu), 1.1–1.35 (3H, d, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 156.2 (C=O), 80.7 (C), 65.7 (CH), 56.2 (CH), 40.5 (CH₂), 28.2 (CH₃), 25.4 (CH₂), 24.6 (CH₂), 20.5 (CH₃) and 19.4 (CH₂). The enantiomers were resolved by CSP GC $\{\beta$ -cyclodextrin-permethylated 120 fused silica capillary column [30 m \times 0.25 mm i.d., 20% permethylated β -cyclodextrin in SPB-35 poly(35%) diphenyl/65% dimethyl)siloxane, Pressure = 100 kPa, Initial temperature = 150 °C, Final temperature = $200 \,^{\circ}$ C, Hold time = $2 \, \text{min}$, Rate = $1.0 \,^{\circ}$ C/min. The major diastereomer elutes before the minor diastereomer. For the major diastereomer, the R-enantiomer elutes after 37.5 minutes and S-enantiomer elutes after 38.4 minutes. For the minor diastereomer, the Renantiomer elutes after 39.2 minutes and S-enantiomer elutes after 40 minutes. Alternatively, the enantiomers were resolved by CSP-SFC under the following conditions: Column: Daicel Chiralcel OD-H, Flow Rate: 1.0 mL/min, Polarity Modifier %: 1.0% EtOH, Outlet Pressure = 150 psi, Oven Temperature = 35 °C. For the minor diastereomer, the S-



enantiomer elutes after 11.3 minutes and *R*-enantiomer elutes after 12.4 minutes. For the major diastereomer, the *S*-enantiomer elutes after 30 minutes and *R*-enantiomer elutes after 34 minutes.



4.16. Electrophilic quench with propionaldehyde: Synthesis of *N*-Boc-(+)-β-conhydrine



Scheme 17. Synthesis of *N*-Boc-(+)-β-conhydrine 1) *s*-BuLi (1.2 equiv), Et₂O, TMEDA (4.0 equiv), -78 °C, 3 h, 2) L* (ligand **8**, 10 mol%), -45 °C, 3 h, 3) -78 °C, CH₃CH₂CHO (3.0 equiv), 2 h, then MeOH, warm to rt, 84%, 70:30 to 80:20 dr (*R*,*S*:*R*,*R*), 96:4 for both diastereomers.

Using General Procedure B, N-Boc-piperidine (370 mg, 2.0 mmol), TMEDA (1.2 mL, 8.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv) in 10 mL Et₂O, chiral ligand 8 (43.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 10 mol%) in 1.0 mL Et₂O, propionaldehyde (348 mg, 6 mmol, 3.0 equiv) for 2 h, 2 mL MeOH gave the crude product as a pale yellow oil. Purification by silica gel chromatography eluting with hexane-EtOAc (60:40) afforded 408 mg of N-Boc-conhydrine as a mixture of diastereomers (70:30) in 84% yield. CSP-GC and CSP-SFC analyses gave four separate peaks (one for each enantiomer of the diastereomers) and revealed high enantioselectivity (96:4 for both). The major diastereomer, N-Boc-(+)- β -conhydrine was isolated in 61% yield $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ +24.3 (c = 1, CHCl₃), {lit^{4b} for N-Boc-(+)- β -conhydrine of 84:16 er $[\alpha]_{D}^{22}$ +17.8 (c = 1.1, CHCl₃) ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ =3.94-3.86 (2H, m, 2 × NCH), 3.76-3.70 (1H, m, NCH), 2.70 (1H, d, CH), 2.49-2.29 (1H, m, CH), 2.03 (1H, br d, CH), 1.67-1.51 (4H, m, 2 × CH₂), 1.49-1.32 (11H, m, CH₂ and *t*-Bu), 0.97 (3H, t, CH₃); 13 C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 155.2 (C=O), 79.4 (C), 70.5 (CH), 55.3 (CH), 40.3 (CH₂), 28.4 (CH₃), 26.4 (CH₂), 25.3 (CH₂), 24.6 (CH₂), 19.4 (CH₂) and 10.2 (CH₃). The enantiomers were resolved by CSP GC { β -cyclodextrin-permethylated 120 fused silica capillary column [30 m × 0.25 mm i.d., 20% permethylated β -cyclodextrin in SPB-35 poly(35% diphenyl/65%) dimethyl)siloxane, Pressure = 100 kPa, Initial temperature = 150 °C, Final temperature = 200 °C, Hold time = 2 min, Rate = 1.0 °C/min. For the major diastereomer, the S-enantiomer elutes after 23.5 minutes and S-enantiomer elutes after 25.9 minutes. Alternatively, the enantiomers were resolved by CSP-SFC under the following conditions:

Column: Daicel Chiralcel OD-H, **Flow Rate**: 1.0 mL/min, **Polarity Modifier** %: 1.0% EtOH, Outlet Pressure = 150 psi, Oven Temperature = 35 °C.





4.16b. Hydrolysis of *N*-Boc-(+)-β-conhydrine: Synthesis of (+)-β-conhydrine

To *N*-Boc-(+)- β -conhydrine (146 mg, 0.6 mmol, 1.0 equiv) dissolved in freshly distilled CH₂Cl₂ (0.5 mL), was added CF₃CO₂H (1.0 mL) under argon at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 6 h and water (1 mL) was added slowly. The mixture was basified to pH 10 by dropwise addition of 40% NaOH_(aq). The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 x 4 mL). The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to give 85.8 mg of (+)- β -conhydrine in 100% yield. [α]_D²² +7.4 (*c* = 0.9, EtOH); lit¹⁵ [α]_D²² +8.3 (*c* = 0.9, EtOH). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ : 3.44-3.34 (1H, m, CHOH), 3.08 (1H, d, CHN), 2.66 (1H, td, NCH), 2.53 (1H, dt, NCH), 1.90-1.74 (1H, m, CH), 1.65-1.52 (2H, m, CH₂), 1.51-1.19 (5H, m, CH and 2 × CH₂), 0.96 (3H, t, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 74.8 (CH), 60.3 (CH), 46.5 (CH₂), 26.3 (CH₂), 25.7 (CH₂), 25.1 (CH₂), 24.3 (CH₂) and 10.7 (CH₃).



4.17. Synthesis of (S)-(-)-coniine



Scheme 18. Synthesis of (S)-(-)-coniine

tert-Butyl 2-N-Propylpiperidine-1-carboxylate (N-Boc-(S)-(-)-coniine)

 $Pd(OH)_2$ (123 mg, 0.88 mmol, 40 mol%) was added to a solution of *S*-14 (96:4 er; prepared by CDR using ligand 9) (500 mg, 2.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in 20 mL of freshly distilled MeOH (20 mL) under hydrogen (1 atm) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 days at this temperature, filtered through a plug of Celite and concentrated under reduced pressure to give 399 mg of *N*-Boc-(*S*)-(-)-coniine in 79% yield; spectroscopic data as reported.¹⁶

(S)-(-)-Coniine

To *N*-Boc-(*S*)-(-)-coniine (284 mg, 1.25 mmol) dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (3.0 mL), was added CF₃CO₂H (2.0 mL) under argon at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred for 3 h at this temperature and concentrated in vacuo to obtain the salt. The salt was basified to pH 10 – 12 with 20% NaOH_(aq). The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 x 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure to give 158 mg of (*S*)-(-)-coniine in 100% yield. $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ –6.7 (*c* = 1.0, MeOH), lit.¹⁶ $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ –7.3 (*c* = 1.0, MeOH). All other spectroscopic data as reported.^{16a}



4.18. Synthesis of (*S*)-(+)-Pelletierine



Scheme 19. Synthesis of (*S*)-(+)-Pelletierine i) PdCl₂ (1.0 equiv), CuCl (10 mol%), O₂, DMF/H₂O (10:1), rt, 10 h, 88%, ii) CF₃CO₂H, CH₂Cl₂, 0 °C, 2 h, then 40% NaOH_{aa}, pH 10, 100%.

(S)-(2-Oxo-propyl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester: N-Boc-(S)-(+)-Pelletierine

CuCl (220 mg, 2.2 mmol, 1 equiv) and PdCl₂ (40 mg, 0.22 mmol, 10 mol%) were dissolved in 3 mL of DMF/H₂O (10:1) and the resulting suspension was stirred for 1 h at room temperature under an O₂.atmosphere. A solution of *S*-14 (96:4 er; prepared by CDR using ligand 9) (500 mg, 2.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in 2 mL of DMF/H₂O (10:1) was added to the reaction mixture and stirred for 10 h. After complete conversion of *S*-14 as indicated by TLC analysis, the reaction mixture was quenched with 20% KHSO₄ (5 mL) and extracted with Et₂O (3 x 10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with saturated NaHCO₃ (10 mL), then with brine (10 mL) and dried over Na₂SO₄. Concentration of the organic layer and purification by column chromatography on silica, eluting with hexane/EtOAc (80:20) afforded 475 mg of *N*-Boc-(*S*)-(+)-Pelletierine in 88% yield; spectroscopic data as reported.¹⁷ $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ –11 (*c* = 0.2, CHCl₃), lit.¹⁷ $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ –12.7 (*c* = 0.22, CHCl₃).

(S)-(2-Oxo-propyl)-piperidine: (S)-(+)-pelletierine

To *N*-Boc-(*S*)-(+)-Pelletierine (300 mg, 1.25 mmol) dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (3.0 mL), was added CF_3CO_2H (2.0 mL) under argon at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred for 2 h at this temperature and concentrated in vacuo to obtain the salt. The salt was basified to pH 10 – 12 with 40% NaOH_(aq). The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2 x 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated under

reduced pressure to give 176 mg of (*S*)-(+)-Pelletierine in 100% yield. $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ +16.8 (*c* = 0.5, EtOH), lit.¹⁷ $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ +19.4 (*c* = 0.47, EtOH).



4.19. Synthesis of (S)-(-)-1-propyl-2',6'-pipecoloxylide: (S)-(-)-Ropivacaine



Scheme 18. Synthesis of (S)-(-)-ropivacaine. 1) s-BuLi (1.2 equiv), Et₂O, TMEDA (4.0 equiv), – 78 °C, 3 h, 2) L* (ligand **9**, 10 mol%.), –45 °C, 3 h, 3) –78 °C, 2,6-dimethylphenyl isocyanate (3.0 equiv), 2 h, then MeOH, warm to rt, 69%, >99:1 er, 4) CF₃CO₂H, CH₂Cl₂, rt, 10 h, then NaOH, 100%, 5) isopropyl alcohol, 1-Bromopropane (3.0 equiv), K₂CO₃ (3.0 equiv), H₂O, 100 °C, 6 h, 89%.

4.19.1 (S)-N-Boc-piperidine-2-carboxylic acid 2,6-dimethylphenyl amide: S-21



Using **General Procedure B**, *N*-Boc-piperidine (185 mg, 1.0 mmol, 0.25 M), freshly distilled TMEDA (0.6 mL, 4 mmol, 4.0 equiv) in freshly distilled Et₂O (4 mL), *s*-BuLi (1.0 M, 1.2 mL, 1.2 mmoL, 1.2 equiv), **9a** (precursor of **9**; 21.4 mg, 0.1 mmol, 10 mol%, in 0.5 mL Et₂O, pretreated with freshly titrated *s*-BuLi), freshly distilled 2,6-dimethylphenyl isocyanate (0.36 mL, 3 mmol, 3.0 equiv), MeOH (1 mL), gave the crude product as a yellowish solid. Purification by silica gel column chromatography eluting with hexane-EtOAc (90:10) afforded 230 mg of *S*-**21** in 69% yield and >99:1 er. $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ -57 (*c* = 2, CHCl₃). ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 8.01 (s, NH, 1H), 7.29-7.16 (m, 3H), 4.97 (s, 1H), 4.34-4.10 (m, 1H), 2.96 (m, 1H), 2.50-2.38 (m, 1H), 2.3 (s, 6H), 1.63-1.45 (m, 5H), 1.51. ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃) δ = 172.0 (C=O), δ = 156.2 (C=O), 135.2 and 135.0 (C), 133.7 (C), 127.7 and 127.4 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 80.7 (C), 54.7 (CH), 42.2 (CH₂), 28.1 (CH₃), 26.8 (CH₂), 24.7 (CH₂) and 20.3 (CH₂), 18.2 (CH₃).

The enantiomers were resolved by CSP-SFC under the following conditions:

Column: Regis Technologies Pirkle-Whelk-O-1, Chiral Stationary Phase: 4-(3,5dinitrobenzamido) tetrahydrophenanthrene, covalently bound to silica, Flow Rate: 3.0 mL/min, Polarity Modifier %: 3.2% Ethanol, Outlet Pressure = 150 psi, Oven Temperature = 35 °C, S-21 elutes before *R*-21.





4.19.2 (S)-piperidine-2-carboxylic acid 2,6-dimethylphenyl amide S-22



To *S*-**21** (200 mg, 0.6 mmol, 1.0 equiv) dissolved in freshly distilled CH₂Cl₂ (5.0 mL) was added dropwise CF₃CO₂H (1.0 mL) under argon at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 10 h at this temperature and concentrated in vacuo to obtain the salt. Water (2 mL) was added and the mixture was basified to pH 10 – 12 with 40% NaOH_(aq). The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 x 5 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated under reduced pressure to give 139 mg of *S*-**22** as a white solid in 100% yield. $[\alpha]_D^{22}$ 33 (*c* = 2, HCl 1 M), mp 127–129 °C. The literature values are as follows: *S* isomer $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ 35 (*c* = 2, HCl 1 M); *R* isomer $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ –46 (*c* = 2.3, HCl 2.3 M), mp 130 °C).¹⁸



4.19.3 (S)-N-propylpiperidine-2-carboxylic acid 2,6-dimethylphenyl amide: (S)-(-)-Ropivacaine



S-(-)-ropivacaine

1-Bromopropane (66 μ L, 93 mg, 0.73 mmol, 3.0 equiv), K₂CO₃ (100 mg, 0.72 mmoL, 3.0 equiv) were added to a solution of (*S*)-**22** (55.7 mg, 0.24 mmoL, 1.0 equiv) in isopropyl alcohol (2 mL). Water (0.5 mL) was added and the mixture was stirred for 6 h at 100 °C. The solvents were evaporated and the residue was treated with 2 mL of a toluene-water mixture (1:1 v/v) under gentle heating at 50 °C. The layers were separated and the organic layer was washed with warm water at 40 °C (2 x 2 mL). The organic layer was concentrated and stored in the refrigerator overnight. Vacuum filtration followed by washing of the crystals with cooled toluene and drying at 70 °C afforded the crude product. Recrystallization of the crude product from toluene afforded 58.5 g of (*S*)-(-)-ropivacaine in 89% yield. $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ –80 (c = 2, MeOH), mp 145 – 147 °C; lit. values are as follows: mp 144–146 °C, $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ –82 (*c* = 2, MeOH).^{18 1}H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 0.95 (t, 3H), 1.68–2.10 (m, 7H), 2.19 (s, 6H), 2.40–2.46 (db, 1H), 3.10–3.19 (m, 3H), 3.70–3.75 (br d, 1H), 4.15–4.20 (br d, 1H), 4.78 (s, 3H), 7.17–7.28 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (75.5 MHz, CDCl₃), δ 11.3 (CH₃), 17.9 (CH₂), 18.2 (2 × CH₃), 21.9 (CH₂), 23.3 (CH₂), 29.9 (CH₂), 53.1 (CH₂), 58.9 (CH₂), 66.8 (CH), 129.3 (2 × CH), 129.6 (CH), 132.8 (C), 137.0 (2 × C), 170.4 (C).





4.20. Ligand Recovery Procedures

Some electrophiles, such as alkyl halides and isocyanates, react to consume the chiral ligand, while others do not (TMS-Cl, Bu₃SnCl, aldehydes and ketones). The following procedures may be used to recover the chiral ligand in either circumstance.

Procedure A: Recovery after reaction with electrophiles that do not consume the ligand

The resolved mixture of **2**·8 was cooled to -78 °C and the electrophile was added The mixture was stirred for 2 – 4 h, prior to addition of MeOH (2 mL) and stirred for 5 min. After warming to room temperature, 2 M HCl was added. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O. The aqueous layer was then acidified to pH 3, washed with CH₂Cl₂ (2 x 10 mL), and basified to pH ~12 by dropwise addition of 50% KOH. The mixture was then extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 10 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated in vacuo to obtain a pale yellow oil. Kugelrohr distillation afforded the pure ligand.

Procedure B: Recovery using a sacrificial electrophile to protect the ligand during electrophilic quench.

The resolved mixture of **2**·8 was cooled to -78 °C and Me₃SiCl (20 mol%) was added. After 5 min, the desired electrophile (e.g. PhNCO) was added and the mixture was stirred for 2 – 4 h, prior to addition of MeOH (2 mL). After warming to room temperature, 2 M HCl was added. The layers were separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with Et₂O (3 x 10 mL) The aqueous layer was further acidified to pH 3, washed with CH₂Cl₂ (2 x 10 mL), and basified to pH ~12 by dropwise addition of 50% KOH. The mixture was then extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 x 10 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuo to obtain a pale yellow oil, which was Kugelrohr distilled to afford the pure ligand. The specific rotation was checked to ensure that there was no loss of optical purity.

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