### **Supporting Information**

# Structure-activity relationship studies of *3-epi*-deoxynegamycin derivatives as potent readthrough drug candidates

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#### 1. General information

All reaction mixtures were stirred magnetically. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were measured in CDCl<sub>3</sub> and D<sub>2</sub>O solutions, and referenced to TMS (0.00 ppm) and D<sub>2</sub>O (4.79 ppm) using Bruker AVANCE-III (400 MHz), Bruker DPX-400 NMR Spectrometer (400 MHz) and Varian Mercury-300 NMR (300 MHz) spectrophotometers. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were measured in CDCl<sub>3</sub> and D<sub>2</sub>O solutions, and referenced to CDCl<sub>3</sub> (77.05 ppm) using Bruker AVANCE-III (400 MHz) and Bruker DPX-400 NMR (400 MHz) spectrophotometers. When peak multiplicities are reported, the following abbreviations are used: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quartet; m, multiplet; br s, broad singlet; br d, broad doublet. Melting points were measured with Yanaco MP-500D melting point apparatuses. Mass spectra were obtained on Waters MICRO MASS LCT-premier. Optical rotations were measured with a JASCO Polarimeter P-1030 at the sodium-D line (589 nm) at the concentrations (c, g 100 mL<sup>-1</sup>). The measurements were carried out between 24-25 °C in a cell with path length (l) of 1 dm. Specific rotations  $[\alpha]_D$  are given in  $10^{-1}$  deg cm<sup>2</sup> g<sup>-1</sup>. Column chromatography was performed on silicagel 60N (spherical, neutral) (4-50 µm or 63-210 µm), thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on precoated plates (0.25 mm, silica gel Merk Kieselgel 60F<sub>254</sub>), and compounds were visualized with UV light, phosphomolybdic acid stain, and ninhydrin stain. Preparative HPLC was performed using a C18 reversed-phase column (250 x 20 mm; YMC-Pack ODS-AM) with a binary solvent system. Analytical HPLC was performed using a C18 reversed-phase column (COSMOSIL Packed Column, Protein-R, 4.6ID x 150 mm) with a binary solvent system. Solvents and reagents were purchased from Kanto Chemical Co., Inc., Kokusan Chemical Co., Ltd., Wako Pure Chemical Industries, Ltd., and Watanabe Chemical Industries, Ltd.

#### 2. Synthesis of derivatives 9a-c

The derivatives **9a-c** were synthesized by previously reported synthetic procedure of 3-*epi*-deoxynegamycin (2)<sup>1</sup>.

### (S)-2,6-bis(tert-Butoxycarbonylamino)hexylmethanesulfonate (5a)

Boc NH H OMs

*N*-methylmorphorine (140  $\mu$ L, 1.25 mmol) and isobutylchloroformate (165  $\mu$ L, 1.25 mmol) were added to a solution of Boc-Lys(Boc)-OH·DCHA 4a (600 mg 1.14 mmol) in THF (1.5 mL) at -15 °C. The reaction mixture was then stirred at -15 °C. After stirring for 10 min at this temperature, the mixture was filtration and the cake was washed with THF. NaBH<sub>4</sub> (65 mg, 1.71 mmol) in H<sub>2</sub>O (1 mL) was added to a solution of the intermediate in THF at -15 °C. After stirring for 10 min at this temperature, the mixture was added to 1 M HCl at -15 °C and extracted with AcOEt. The extracts were washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was used in the next step without further purification. Et<sub>3</sub>N (237 µL, 1.71 mmol) and MsCl (264 µL, 3.42 mmol) were added to a solution of above residue in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (7.5 mL) at 0 °C. After stirring for overnight at room temperature, the mixture was added H<sub>2</sub>O at 0 °C and extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The extracts were washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography with CHCl<sub>3</sub>/MeOH (100 : 1) to give **5a** (270 mg, 0.658 mmol, 2 steps 58%) as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -11.2$ (*c* 2.07, MeOH); m.p. 83.6-85.4 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 4.89-4.73 (br d, 1H), 4.64 (br s, 1H), 4.34-4.22 (m, 1H), 4.18 (dd, J = 10 and 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (br s, 1H), 3.12 (br s, 2H), 3.04 (s, 3H), 1.64-1.34 (m, 24H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 156.1, 155.4, 79.8, 79.1, 71.1, 49.6, 39.9, 37.3, 30.6, 29.7, 28.4 (3 carbons), 28.3 (3 carbons), 22.8; HRMS (ES+) calcd for  $C_{17}H_{34}N_2O_7SNa [M+Na]^+ 433.1984$  found 433.1991.

### (S)-2,4-bis(tert-Butoxycarbonylamino)butylmethanesulfonate (5b)



**5b** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **5a** using Boc-Dab(Boc)-OH **4b** (10.0 g, 31.4 mmol).

**5b** (7.97 g, 20.9 mmol, 2 steps 66%) was obtained as a colorless oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -38.1$  (*c* 1.97, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.07 (br s, 1H), 5.03-4.78 (br d, 1H), 4.30 (dd, *J* = 10 and 3.5 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (dd, *J* = 10 and 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.01-3.88 (m, 1H), 3.38 (br s, 1H), 3.12-2.94 (m, 4H), 1.87-1.55 (m, 2H), 1.44 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  156.0, 155.7, 80.1, 79.4, 71.4, 47.3, 37.3, 36.9, 31.9, 28.4 (3 carbons), 28.3 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>30</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>SNa [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 405.1671, found 405.1671.

### (S)-2,3-bis(*tert*-Butoxycarbonylamino)propylmethanesulfonate (5c)



**5c** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **5a** using Boc-Dap(Boc)-OH **4c** (383 mg, 1.26 mmol).

**5c** (270 mg, 0.733 mmol, 2 steps 58%) was obtained as a white powder;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -4.74$  (*c* 0.27, MeOH); m.p. 90.8-92.1 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.46-5.26 (br d, 1H) 4.99 (br s, 1H), 4.34-4.17 (m, 2H), 4.02-3.83 (m, 1H), 3.33 (t, *J* = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 3.06 (s, 3H), 1.44 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  156.9, 155.6, 80.1 (2 carbons), 68.5, 50.6, 40.8, 37.4, 28.3 (6 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>28</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>SNa [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 391.1515, found 391.1512.

### (S)-tert-Butyl 6-cyanohexane-1,5-diyldicarbamate (6a)

Boc. N. CN

18–Crown–6–ether (860 mg, 3.25 mmol) and KCN (353 mg, 5.42 mmol) were added to a solution of **5a** (198 mg, 0.499 mmol) in DMF (14 mL) at room temperature. After stirring for 2 h at 100 °C, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, a saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution was added at 0 °C and extracted with AcOEt. The extracts were washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography with hexane/AcOEt (2 : 1) to give **6a** (475 mg, 1.39 mmol, 51%) as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -$ 43.5 (*c* 0.53, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 79.0-79.8 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  4.93-4.77 (br d, 1H), 4.60 (br s, 1H), 3.89-3.68 (m, 1H), 3.23-3.03 (m, 2H), 2.72 (dd, *J* = 17 and 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.56 (dd, *J* = 17 and 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.83-1.32 (m, 24H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  156.2, 155.2, 117.4, 80.1, 79.2, 47.2, 39.8, 32.9, 29.8, 28.4 (3 carbons), 28.3 (3 carbons), 23.8, 22.8; HRMS (ES+) calcd for  $C_{17}H_{31}N_3O_4Na [M+Na]^+$  364.2212, found 364.2216.

### (S)-tert-Butyl 4-cyanobutane-1,3-diyldicarbamate (6b)

**6b** was prepared by stirring a solution of **5b** (7.97 g, 20.9 mmol) in acetonitrile (105 mL) for overnight at 40 °C using the same reagents as described for compound **6a**. **6b** (4.08 g, 13.0 mmol, 62%) was obtained as a white powder;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -64.1$  (*c* 1.14, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 84.7-85.6 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.03-4.72 (m, 2H), 4.00-3.83 (m, 1H), 3.48-3.26 (m, 1H), 3.16-2.97 (m, 1H), 2.74 (dd, *J* = 17 and 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.62 (dd, *J* = 17 and 4.6 Hz, 1H), 1.90-1.67 (m, 2H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.44 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  156.0, 155.3, 117.2, 80.4, 79.6, 45.0, 36.9, 34.3, 28.4 (3 carbons), 28.3 (3 carbons), 23.9; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>27</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 336.1899,

found 336.1896.

### (S)-tert-Butyl 3-cyanopropane-1,2-diyldicarbamate (6c)

**6c** was prepared by stirring a solution of **5c** (205 mg, 0.557 mmol) in acetonitrile (3 mL) for 3 h under reflux using the same reagents as described for compound **6a**.

**6c** (100 mg, 0.334 mmol, 60%) was obtained as a white powder;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -31.1$  (*c* 0.63, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 120.4-120.9 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.63-5.36 (br d, 1H), 4.94 (br s, 1H), 4.00-3.83 (m, 1H), 3.50-3.22 (m, 2H), 2.77-2.51 (m, 2H), 1.44 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  157.0, 155.4, 117.1, 80.4, 80.2, 48.8, 43.0, 28.31 (3 carbons), 28.29 (3 carbons), 21.2; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 322.1743, found 322.1738.

# (S)-*tert*-Butyl2-{2-[3,7-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)heptanoyl]-1-methylhydrazin yl}acetate (8a)



KOH (124 mg, 2.20 mmol) was added to a solution of 6a (75.4 mg, 0.221 mmol) in EtOH/H<sub>2</sub>O (2 : 1, 2 mL) at room temperature. After stirring for overnight at 80 °C, the mixture was removed under reduced pressure. The resulting aqueous phase was acidified to pH 1 upon the addition of 1 M HCl at 0 °C and extracted with AcOEt. The extracts were washed with brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was used in the next step without further purification. PTSA·H<sub>2</sub>NN(Me)CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>t-Bu 7 (147 mg, 0.442 mmol) and HOBt·H<sub>2</sub>O (67.7 mg, 0.442 mmol) were added to a solution containing above residue in DMF (2 mL) at room temperature. Et<sub>3</sub>N (61.3 µL, 0.442 mmol) and EDC·HCl (84.7 mg, 0.442 mmol) were added to the mixture at 0 °C. After stirring for overnight at room temperature, the mixture was poured into 10% citric acid aqueous solution and extracted with AcOEt. The extracts were washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution, H<sub>2</sub>O, brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography with CHCl<sub>3</sub>/MeOH (100 : 1) to give **8a** (42.0 mg, 83.6 µmol, 2 steps 38%) as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -12.4$  (c 0.56, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 86.5-87.3 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.90 (s) and 7.44-7.31 (br d, total 1H), 5.49-5.17 (m, 1H), 4.75-4.52 (br s, 1H), 3.98-3.77 (m, 1H), 3.67-3.33 (m, 2H), 3.20-3.03 (m, 2H), 2.88-2.48 (m, 4H), 2.42-2.21 (m, 1H), 1.88-1.20 (m, 33H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 170.3, 169.1, 156.1, 155.7, 82.4, 79.2, 79.0, 58.3, 47.7, 43.9, 40.3, 39.4, 34.4, 29.6, 28.4 (6 carbons), 28.2 (3 carbons), 23.3; HRMS (ES+) calcd for  $C_{24}H_{46}N_4O_7Na [M+Na]^+ 525.3264$ , found 525.3265.

### (S)-tert-Butyl

### 2-{2-[3,5-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pentanoyl]-1-methylhydrazinyl} acetate (8b)

**8b** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **8a** using **6b** (90.2 mg, 0.288 mmol).

**8b** (51.3 mg, 0.108 mmol, 2 steps 38%) was obtained as a white powder;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -40.1$  (*c* 0.52, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 108.9-110.8 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.94 (s) and 7.47-7.35 (br d, total 1H), 5.83-5.49 (m, 1H), 5.49-5.11 (m, 1H), 4.15-3.80 (m, 1H), 3.69-3.46 (m, 2H), 3.46-3.20 (m, 1H), 3.05-2.81 (m, 1H), 2.81-2.48 (m, 4H), 2.48-2.18

(m, 1H), 1.75-1.18 (m, 29H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.7, 170.2, 169.1, 156.1, 82.4, 79.3, 79.0, 58.2, 45.1, 43.9, 38.9, 37.1, 35.2, 28.44 (3 carbons), 28.36 (3 carbons), 28.2 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>42</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 497.2951, found 497.2959.

### (S)-tert-Butyl

### 2-{2-[3,4-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)butanoyl]-1-methylhydrazinyl}

acetate (8c)

Boc NH O H ... N Boc N Ot-Bu

**8c** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **8a** using **6c** (76.9 mg, 0.257 mmol).

**8c** (46.0 mg, 0.100 mmol, 2 steps 39%) was obtained as a white powder;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -5.90$  (*c* 0.62, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 84.7-85.9 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.11 (s) and 7.33 (s, total 1H); 5.78-5.36 (m, 1H), 5.08 (br s, 1H), 4.08-3.83 (m, 1H), 3.63-3.49 (m, 2H), 3.45-3.19 (m, 2H), 3.09- 2.50 (m, 4H), 2.34 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 1.57-1.35 (m, 27H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.1, 168.9, 156.6, 155.8, 82.3, 79.5, 79.3, 58.8, 48.6, 45.1, 43.9, 36.7, 28.4 (6 carbons), 28.2 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>40</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 483.2795, found 483.2792.

### (S)-2-[2-(3,7-Diaminoheptanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetic acid·2TFA (9a)

$$\underset{H_2N}{\overset{NH_2}{\overbrace{\vdots}}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{O}{\underset{H_2}}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{N}{\underset{H_2}}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{O}{\underset{H_2}}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{H_2}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{H_2}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{H_2}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{H_2}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{H_2}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{H_2}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{H_2}} \underset{H_2}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{H_2}} \underset{H_2}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{H_2}} \underset{H_2}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{H_2}} \underset{H_2}} \underset{H_2$$

4 M HCl/dioxane (2 mL) was added to **8a** (22.0 mg, 43.8 µmol) at 0 °C. After stirring for 1 h at room temperature, the mixture was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by preparative HPLC (gradient: milli–Q water (TFA 0.1%) : CH<sub>3</sub>CN (TFA 0.1%) = 100 : 0 to milli–Q water (TFA 0.1%) : CH<sub>3</sub>CN (TFA 0.1%) = 95 : 5 over 40 min, flow late 5 mL/min, UV: 222 nm) to give **9a** (14.4 mg, 30.4 µmol, 69%) as TFA salts; m.p. 66.0-67.0 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  3.66-3.54 (m, 3H), 3.01 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.68 (s, 3H), 2.60 (dd, *J* = 16 and 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.51 (dd, *J* = 16 and 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.81-1.63 (m, 4H), 1.57-1.40 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  173.3, 169.4, 58.6, 48.4, 44.1, 39.0, 35.0, 31.3, 26.3, 21.6; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 247.1770, found 247.1770.

(S)-2-[2-(3,5-Diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetic acid·2TFA (9b, TCP-112)

 $\underset{H_2N}{\overset{NH_2}{\overbrace{\vdots}}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{O}{\underset{u}}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{N}{\underset{u}}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{O}{\underset{u}}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{U}{\underset{u}}} \underset{H_2}{\underset{u}}} \underset{H_2}{\overset{U}{\underset{u}}} \underset{U_2}{\overset{U}{\underset{u}}} \underset{U}{\underset{U}} \underset{U}{\underset{U}}} \underset{U}{\underset{U}}} \underset{U}{\underset{U}} \underset{U}$ 

**9b** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **9a** using **8b** (29.3 mg, 61.8 μmol).

**9b** (14.6 mg, 32.6 µmol, 53%) was obtained as a colorless solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +8.21$  (*c* 1.22, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 127.9-129.0 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  3.81-3.72 (m, 1H), 3.71 (s, 2H), 3.18-3.08 (m, 2H), 2.75-2.57 (m, 5H), 2.16-2.00 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  172.3, 168.9, 58.3, 46.1, 44.4, 35.7, 34.6, 29.7; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 219.1457, found 219.1455.

### (S)-2-[2-(3,4-Diaminobutanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetic acid·2TFA (9c)



**9c** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **9a** using **8c** (25.4 mg, 55.2  $\mu$ mol).

**9c** (12.4 mg, 28.6 mg, 52%) was obtained as a colorless solid; m.p. 108.1-108.7 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  4.00 (q, J = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (s, 2H), 3.48-3.33 (m, 2H), 2.85-2.62 (m, 5H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  173.3, 168.1, 58.5, 46.1, 44.1, 40.6, 33.4; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 205.1301, found 205.1303.

### 3. Synthesis of derivatives 12a-d

(*S*)-*tert*-Butyl 2-[1-methyl-2-(2,2,14,14-tetramethyl-4,12-dioxo-3,13-dioxa-5,11diazapentadecancarbonyl)hydrazinyl]acetate (11a)

PTSA·H<sub>2</sub>NN(Me)CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>*t*-Bu **7** (62.8 mg, 0.189 mmol) and HOBt·H<sub>2</sub>O (29.0 mg, 0.189 mmol) were added to a solution of Boc-Lys(Boc)-OH·DCHA **4a** (50.0 mg, 94.7  $\mu$ mol) in DMF (2 mL). Et<sub>3</sub>N (26.2  $\mu$ L, 0.189 mmol) and EDC· HCl (36.2 mg, 0.189 mmol) were added to the mixture at 0 °C. After stirring for overnight at room temperature, the mixture was poured into 10% citric acid aqueous solution and extracted

with AcOEt. The extracts were washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution, H<sub>2</sub>O and brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography with CHCl<sub>3</sub>/MeOH (100 : 1) to give **11a** (45.1 mg, 92.3 µmol, 98%) as a colorless oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -3.08$  (*c* 0.50, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.16 (s) and 7.54 (br d, *J* = 24 Hz, total 1H), 5.32-5.06 (m, 1H), 4.90-4.52 (m, 1H), 4.08-3.86 (m, 1H), 3.78-3.33 (m, 2H), 3.26-3.03 (m, 2H), 2.75 (s, 3H), 1.90-1.20 (m, 33H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.1, 169.3, 156.1, 155.6, 82.4, 80.0, 79.5, 58.4, 53.3, 43.9, 40.1, 32.3, 29.7, 28.46 (3 carbons), 28.41 (3 carbons), 28.1 (3 carbons), 22.5; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>45</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 489.3288, found 489.3278.

### (S)-tert-Butyl

# 2-[1-methyl-2-(2,2,13,13-tetramethyl-4,11-dioxo-3,12-dioxa-5,10-diaza tetradecanecarbonyl)hydrazinyl]acetate (11b)



**11b** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **11a** using Boc-Orn(Boc)-OH **10** (100 mg, 0.303 mmol).

**11b** (131 mg, 0.277 mmol, 91%) was obtained as a colorless oil; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.28 (s) and 7.63 (d, *J* = 25 Hz, total 1H), 5.38-5.18 (m, 1H), 4.79 (br s, 1H), 4.13-3.95 (m, 1H), 3.77-3.38 (m, 2H), 3.29-3.10 (m, 2H), 2.75 (s, 3H), 1.89-1.34 (m, 31H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.0, 169.1, 156.0, 155.4, 82.2, 79.5, 79.0, 58.4, 52.8, 43.8, 39.8, 29.9, 28.3 (3 carbons), 28.2 (3 carbons), 28.1 (3 carbons), 26.1; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>43</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 475.3132, found 475.3127.

# (*S*)-*tert*-Butyl 2-[1-methyl-2-(2,2,12,12-tetramethyl-4,10-dioxo-3,11-dioxa-5,9-diazatridecanecarbonyl)hydrazinyl]acetate (11c)



**11c** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **11a** using **4c** (60.6 mg, 0.190 mmol).

**11c** (59.4 mg, 0.129 mmol, 68%) was obtained as a colorless oil;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -20.4$  (*c* 0.63, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.30 (s) and 7.69-7.48 (m, total 1H), 5.46-5.26 (m, 1H), 5.13 (br s) and 4.90-4.72 (m, total 1H), 4.15-4.00 (m, 1H) and 3.78-3.50 (m, 2H), 3.48-3.29 (m, 1H), 3.11-2.92 (m, 1H), 2.76 (s, 3H), 2.06-1.68 (m, 2H), 1.68-1.19 (m, 27H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  169.9, 169.8, 156.1, 155.7, 82.4, 80.1, 79.7, 58.4, 50.8, 43.4, 36.8, 34.0, 28.4 (3 carbons), 28.3 (3 carbons), 28.2 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>41</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 461.2975, found 461.2978.

### (S)-tert-Butyl

# 2-[1-methyl-2-(2,2,11,11-tetramethyl-4,9,dioxo-3,10-dioxa-5,8-diazado decanecarbonyl)hydrazinyl]acetate (11d)

**11d** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **6a** using **4c** (172 mg, 0.565 mmol).

**11d** (158 mg, 0.353 mmol, 62%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -12.4$  (*c* 0.38, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 64.6-65.9 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.55 (s) and 7.73-7.30 (m, total 1H), 5.82 (br s, 1H), 5.19 (br s, 1H), 4.16 (br s, 1H), 3.56 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 2H), 3.55-3.39 (m, 2H), 2.75 (s, 3H), 1.49 (s, 9H), 1.46-1.33 (m, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  169.8, 168.4, 157.0, 155.8, 82.3, 80.1, 79.8, 58.4, 54.7, 43.9, 42.3, 28.28 (3 carbons), 28.25 (3 carbons), 28.1 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>39</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 447.2819, found 447.2827.

### (S)-2-[2-(2,6-Diaminohexanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetic acid·2TFA (12a)

$$H_2N \xrightarrow{N} OH OH$$

4 M HCl/dioxane (2 mL) was added to **11a** (26.7 mg, 54.6 µmol) at 0 °C. After stirring for 1 h at room temperature, the mixture was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by preparative HPLC (gradient: milli–Q water (TFA 0.1%) : CH<sub>3</sub>CN (TFA 0.1%) = 100 : 0 to milli–Q water (TFA 0.1%) : CH<sub>3</sub>CN (TFA 0.1%) = 100 : 0 to milli–Q water (TFA 0.1%) : CH<sub>3</sub>CN (TFA 0.1%) = 95 : 5 over 40 min, flow late 5 mL/min, UV: 222 nm) to give **9a** (17.4 mg, 37.8 µmol, 69%) as TFA salts; m.p. 71.1-72.5 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  3.87 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz,

1H), 3.65 (q, J = 17 Hz, 2H), 3.00 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 2.70 (s, 3H), 2.00-1.82 (m, 2H), 1.76-1.65 (m, 2H), 1.41 (q, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  173.2, 167.4, 58.6, 51.8, 44.2, 38.9, 30.2, 26.3, 21.2; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>21</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 233.1614, found 233.1613.

### (S)-2-[2-(2,4-Diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetic acid·2TFA (12b)

$$H_2N \underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} N \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{array}} \begin{array}{c} N \\ N \\ 0 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} N \\ N \\ 0 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OH \\ OH \end{array}$$

12b was prepared in the same manner as described for compound 12a using 11b (86.8 mg, 0.183 mmol).

**12b** (36.4 mg, 81.7 μmol, 45%) was obtained as a light yellow solid; m.p. 51.6-52.5 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 3.92 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.78-3.62 (m, 2H), 3.02 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.70 (s, 3H), 2.03-1.86 (m, 2H), 1.78-1.63 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 172.5, 167.0, 58.2, 51.5, 44.4, 38.7, 27.7, 22.3; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 219.1457, found 219.1456.

### (S)-2-[2-(2,4-Diaminobutanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetic acid·2TFA (12c)

$$H_2N \xrightarrow{\stackrel{\scriptstyle NH_2}{\vdots} H}_{\scriptstyle O} N \xrightarrow{\stackrel{\scriptstyle NH_2}{\vdots} H}_{\scriptstyle O} OH$$

12c was prepared in the same manner as described for compound 12a using 11c (29.9 mg, 64.9  $\mu$ mol).

**12c** (12.7 mg, 29.3 µmol, 45%) was obtained as a yellow solid; m.p. 71.7-72.4 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  4.00 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.78-3.61 (m, 2H), 3.17-3.02 (m, 2H), 2.71 (s, 3H), 2.34-2.20 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  172.8, 166.3, 58.2, 49.7, 44.3, 35.1, 28.3; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 205.1301, found 205.1300.

### (S)-2-[2-(2,3-Diaminopropanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetic acid·2TFA (12d)

12d was prepared in the same manner as described for compound 11a using 11d (24.4 mg, 53.0  $\mu$ mol).

**12d** (4.83 mg, 11.6  $\mu$ mol, 22%) was obtained as a yellow solid; m.p. 113.2-115.1 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  4.28 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 3.83-3.63 (m, 2H), 3.63-3.43 (m, 2H),

2.73 (s, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  175.6, 167.2, 60.8, 52.6, 47.0, 42.3; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>15</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 191.1144, found 191.1143.

4. Synthesis of derivatives 15a-d

### (S)-Ethyl

2-{2-[3,5-bis(*tert*-Butoxycarbonylamino)pentanoyl]-1-methylhydrazinyl}acetate (14a)

**14a** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **8b** using **6b** (105 mg, 0.335 mmol) and  $H_2NN(Me)CH_2CO_2Et$  **13a** (0.670 mmol).

**14a** (46.5 mg, 0.104 mmol, 2 steps 31%) was obtained as a colorless solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -$  44.6 (*c* 1.01, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 101.4-102.0 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.81 (s) and 7.28 (br d, total 1H), 5.77 (m, 1H), 5.44-5.20 (m, 1H), 4.21 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.08-3.88 (m, 1H), 3.75-3.46 (m, 2H), 3.38 (br s, 1H), 2.92 (br s 1H), 2.88-2.49 (m, 2H), 2.48-2.39 (m) and 2.24 (dd, *J* = 15 and 5.8 Hz, total 1H), 1.75-1.55 (m, 2H), 1.44 (s, 18H), 1.32-1.23 (m, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.7, 169.7, 156.14, 156.04, 79.4, 79.1, 60.1, 57.7, 45.4, 44.1, 38.9, 37.2, 35.1, 28.5 (3 carbons), 28.4 (3 carbons), 14.2; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>39</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 447.2819, found 447.2812.

### (S)-Benzyl 2-{2-[3,5-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pentanoyl]-1-methylhydrazinyl} acetate (14b)



**14b** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **8b** using **6b** (101 mg, 0.322 mmol) and H<sub>2</sub>NN(Me)CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Bn **13b** (87.3 mg, 0.450 mmol).

**14b** (64.9 mg, 0.127 mmol, 2 steps 57%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -34.5$  (*c* 2.17, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 93.1-95.0 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.77 (s) and 7.42-7.27 (m, total 6H), 5.72-5.54 (m, 1H), 5.42-5.09 (m, 3H), 4.04-3.86 (m, 1H), 3.81-3.49 (m, 2H), 3.37 (br s, 1H), 3.04-2.50 (m, 5H), 2.49-2.35 (m) and 2.29-2.17 (m, total 1H), 1.78-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.43 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.5, 169.5,

156.2, 156.0, 135.1, 128.7 (2 carbons), 128.6, 128.5 (2 carbons), 79.3, 79.0, 66.7, 57.7, 45,4, 44.1, 38.9, 37.2, 34.8, 28.5 (3 carbons), 28.4 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>41</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 509.2975, found 509.2981.

### (S)-di-*tert*-Butyl

### {5-[2-(2-ethylamino-2-oxoethyl)-2-methylhydrazinyl]-5-oxopentane-1,3-diyl}dicarb amate (14c)

Boc NH O O O H N N N N

10 % Pd/C (7.5 mg) was added to a solution of 14b (75 mg, 0.148 mmol) in MeOH (2 mL) at room temperature. The resulting mixture was subjected to three cycles of vacuum followed by flush with H<sub>2</sub> before stirring for 15 min under an atmosphere of H<sub>2</sub>. The mixture was filtered through a pad of Celite<sup>®</sup> with MeOH, and the resulting filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was used in the next step without further purification. Ethylamine HCl (24.1 mg, 0.296 mmol) and HOBt H<sub>2</sub>O (45.3 mg, 0.296 mmol) were added to a solution containing above residue in DMF (2 mL) at room temperature. Et<sub>3</sub>N (41.0 µL, 0.296 mmol) and EDC·HCl (56.7 mg, 0.296 mmol) were added to the mixture at 0 °C. After stirring for overnight at room temperature, the mixture was poured into 10% citric acid aqueous solution and extracted with AcOEt. The extracts were washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution, H<sub>2</sub>O and brine and dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography with CHCl<sub>3</sub>/MeOH (100 : 1) to give **14c** (46.0 mg, 0.103 mmol, 2 steps 70%) as a white solid.  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -16.4$  (c 1.12, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 123.0-124.0 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 7.90 (br s, 1H), 5.53 (br s, 1H), 5.22 (br, s, 1H), 4.06-3.82 (m, 1H), 3.55-3.14 (m, 5H), 2.96 (br s, 1H), 2.68 (s, 3H), 2.52-2.27 (m, 2H), 2.04 (s, 1H), 1.70-1.56 (m, 2H), 1.43 (s, 18H), 1.14 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 170.0, 168.9, 156.3, 156.0, 79.6, 79.3, 62.6, 46.7, 45.6, 38.8, 37.1, 35.2, 34.1, 28.5 (3 carbons), 28.4 (3 carbons), 14.5; HRMS (ES+) calcd for  $C_{20}H_{39}N_5O_6Na[M+Na]^+$  468.2798 found 468.2799.

### (S)-di-tert-Butyl

# {5-[2-(2-benzylamino-2-oxoethyl)-2-methylhydrazinyl]-5-oxopentane-1,3-diyl}dicar bamate (14d)

**14d** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **8b** using **6b** (98.0 mg, 0.313 mmol) and H<sub>2</sub>NN(Me)CH<sub>2</sub>CONHBn **13c** (97.8 mg, 0.506 mmol). **14d** (41.3 mg, 81.3 μmol, 2 steps 26%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -22.4$  (*c* 0.62, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 168.5-169.7 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.35-8.21 (m, 1H), 7.69 (s, 1H), 7.39-7.20 (m, 5H), 5.38 (br d, 1H), 5.15 (br s, 1H), 4.53-4.38 (m, 2H), 3.89-3.76 (m, 1H), 3.38 (s, 2H), 3.36-3.14 (m, 1H), 3.01-2.94 (m, 1H), 2.64 (s, 3H), 2.31 (dd, *J* = 16 and 5.1 Hz) and 2.21 (dd, *J* = 14 and 6.3 Hz, total 2H), 1.78-1.50 (m, 2H), 1.44 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 169.9, 168.9, 156.3, 155.9, 138.3, 128.6 (2 carbons), 128.0 (2 carbons), 127.3, 79.6, 79.4, 62.6, 46.6, 45.6, 43.1, 38.6, 37.2, 34.9, 28.5 (3 carbons), 28.4 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>42</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>6</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 508.3135, found 508.3116.

#### (S)-Ethyl 2-[2-(3,5-diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetate·2TFA (15a)



**15a** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **8b** using **14a** (29.1 mg, 65.2 mmol). The residue was purified by preparative HPLC (gradient: milli–Q water (TFA 0.1%) : CH<sub>3</sub>CN (TFA 0.1%) = 95 : 5 to milli–Q water (TFA 0.1%) : CH<sub>3</sub>CN (TFA 0.1%) = 90 : 10 over 40 min, flow late 5 mL/min, UV: 222 nm). **15a** (11.0 mg, 23.3 µmol, 36%) was obtained as a colorless solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +8.44$  (*c* 0.43, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 72.3-73.8 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  4.17 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.74-3.70 (m, 1H), 3.61 (s, 2H), 3.10 (t, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 2.67-2.56 (m, 5H), 2.11-2.01 (m, 2H), 1.23 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 247.1770, found 247.1764.

### (S)-Benzyl 2-[2-(3,5-diaminohexanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetate·2TFA (15b)



**15b** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **8b** using **14b** (64.9 mg, 0.128 mmol). The residue was purified by preparative HPLC (gradient: milli–Q water (TFA 0.1%) : CH<sub>3</sub>CN (TFA 0.1%) = 85 : 15 to milli–Q water (TFA 0.1%) : CH<sub>3</sub>CN (TFA 0.1%) = 55 : 45 over 40 min, flow late 5 mL/min, UV: 222 nm).

**15b** (34.6 mg, 64.5 mmol, 50%) was obtained as a colorless solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +5.80$  (*c* 1.15, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 65.5-66.3 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  7.44-7.39 (m, 5H), 5.20 (s, 2H), 3.68-3.60 (m, 3H), 3.07 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (s, 3H), 2.59-2.44 (m, 2H), 2.14-1.98 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  173.6, 171.8, 138.2, 131.7 (2 carbons), 131.6, 131.3 (2 carbons), 70.1, 61.3, 48.9, 47.2, 38.5, 37.6, 32.7; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 309.1927, found 309.1915.

## (S)-2-(2-(3,5-Diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl)-*N*-ethylacetamide·2TFA (15c)



**15c** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **15b** using **14c** (21.3 mg, 47.8 μmol). The residue was purified by preparative HPLC (gradient: milli–Q water (TFA 0.1%) : CH<sub>3</sub>CN (TFA 0.1%) = 95 : 5 to milli–Q water (TFA 0.1%) : CH<sub>3</sub>CN (TFA 0.1%) = 85 : 15 over 40 min, flow late 5 mL/min, UV: 222 nm). **15c** (19.6 mg, 41.4 μmol, 87%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +20.4$  (*c* 0.38, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 133.7-134.4 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 3.80-3.69 (m, 1H), 3.45 (s, 2H), 3.22 (q, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 3.17-3.03 (m, 2H), 2.70-2.54 (m, 4H), 2.18-1.98 (m, 2H), 1.10 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 174.0, 172.4, 64.3, 49.1, 48.0, 38.6, 37.6, 37.3, 32.8, 16.4; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 246.1930, found 246.1928.

# (S)-N-Benzyl-2-[2-(3,5-diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetamide·2TFA (15d)



15d was prepared in the same manner as described for compound 15b using 14c (34.7 mg, 68.3  $\mu$ mol).

**15d** (14.8 mg, 27.6 µmol, 40%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +0.90$  (*c* 0.49, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 77.3-78.2 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  7.43-7.22 (m, 5H), 4.41 (q, *J* = 15 Hz, 2H), 3.67-3.25 (m, 3H), 3.11-2.98 (m, 2H), 2.62 (s, 3H), 2.67-2.40 (m, 2H), 2.08-1.89 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  174.1, 172.4, 140.7, 131.7 (2 carbons), 131.7 (2 carbons), 130.5, 64.0, 48.9, 48.0, 45.7, 38.6, 37.8, 32.9; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 308.2085, found 308.2087.

### 5. Synthesis of derivatives 17a-l

# (S)-2-Bromobenzyl 2-{2-[3,5-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pentanoyl]-1-methyl hydrazinyl}acetate (16a)



10 % Pd/C (10.3 mg) was added to a solution of 14b (103 mg, 0.203 mmol) in MeOH (2 mL) at room temperature. The resulting mixture was subjected to three cycles of vacuum followed by flush with H<sub>2</sub> before stirring for 15 min under an atmosphere of H<sub>2</sub>. The mixture was filtered through a pad of Celite<sup>®</sup> with MeOH, and the resulting filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was used in the next step without further purification. o-Bromobenzyl alcohol (45.6 mg, 0.244 mmol) and DMAP (2.48 mg, 20.3 µmol) were added to a solution containing above residue in DMF (2 mL) at room temperature. DCC (46.0 mg, 0.223 mmol) was added to the mixture at 0 °C. After stirring for overnight at room temperature, the mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was filtered with CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The organic layer was washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, brine, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography with CHCl<sub>3</sub>/MeOH (100 : 1) to give 16a (56.1 mg, 95.5  $\mu$ mol, 2 steps 47%) as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -30.7$  (c 1.11, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 122.0-123.4 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) & 7.77 (s) and 7.44-7.28 (m, total 3H), 7.60 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.20 (m, 1H), 5.74-5.57 (m, 1H), 5.40-5.20 (m, 3H), 4.06-3.89 (m, 1H), 3.83-3.56 (m, 2H), 3.37 (br s, 1H), 3.00-2.89 (m, 1H), 2.83-2.72 (m) and 2.63-2.50 (m, total 4H), 2.46-2.38 (m) and 2.23 (dd, J = 15 and 5.8 Hz, total 1H), 1.74-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.44 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 174.8, 169.3, 156.1, 134.4, 133.0, 130.5, 130.3, 130.2, 127.7, 123.7, 79.3, 79.0, 66.3, 57.7,

45.4, 44.1, 38.9, 37.1, 35.0, 28.5 (3 carbons), 28.4 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for  $C_{25}H_{40}N_4O_7Br [M+H]^+ 587.2080$ , found 587.2092.

# (S)-3-Bromobenzyl 2-{2-[3,5-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pentanoyl]-1-methyl hydrazinyl}acetate (16b)



**16b** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **16a** using **14b** (108 mg, 0.212 mmol) and *m*-bromobenzyl alcohol (47.5 mg, 0.254 mmol). **16b** (84.6 mg, 0.144 mmol, 2 steps 68%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -27.7$ 

**16b** (84.6 mg, 0.144 mmol, 2 steps 68%) was obtained as a write solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{-1} = -27.7$ (*c* 1.24, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 82.5-83.6 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.82 (s) and 7.34 (br d, total 1H), 7.57-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.20 (m, 3H), 5.73-5.57 (m, 1H), 5.41-5.20 (m, 1H), 5.14 (s, 2H), 4.06-3.88 (m, 1H), 3.82-3.47 (m, 2H), 3.36 (br s, 1H), 3.04-2.88 (m, 1H), 2.87-2.49 (m, 3H), 2.48-2.38 (m) and 2.24 (dd, J = 15 and 5.7 Hz, total 1H), 1.86-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.43 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.8, 169.3, 156.0, 137.2, 131.7, 131.4, 130.3, 126.9, 122.6, 79.3, 79.0, 65.7, 58.9, 57.8, 45.5, 44.1, 38.9, 37.1, 35.0, 28.4 (3 carbons), 28.3 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>40</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub>Br [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 587.2080, found 587.2080.

# (S)-4-Bromobenzyl 2-{2-[3,5-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pentanoyl]-1-methyl hydrazinyl}acetate (16c)



**16c** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **16a** using **14b** (120 mg, 0.236 mmol) and *p*-bromobenzyl alcohol (53.0 mg, 0.283 mmol).

**16c** (71.6 mg, 0.122 mmol, 2 steps 52%)was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -31.7$  (*c* 1.10, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 121.7-122.4 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.77 (s) and 7.28 (br s, total 1H), 7.51 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.25-7.21 (m, 2H), 5.71-5.52 (m, 1H), 5.40-5.18 (m, 1H), 5.12 (s, 2H), 4.07-3.85 (m, 1H), 3.69-3.50 (m, 2H), 3.36 (br s, 1H), 3.00-2.86 (m, 1H), 2.68-2.48 (m, 4H), 2.45-2.38 (m) and 2.23 (dd, *J* = 15 and 5.8 Hz, total 1H), 1.74-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.43 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.7, 169.4, 156.1,

134.0, 131.9 (2 carbons), 130.2 (2 carbons), 122.7, 79.3, 79.0, 65.9, 58.9, 57.7, 45.4, 44.1, 38.9, 37.1, 35.0, 28.5 (3 carbons), 28.4 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for  $C_{25}H_{40}N_4O_7Br [M+H]^+$  587.2080, found 587.2078.

### (S)-2-Chlorobenzyl 2-{2-[3,5-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pentanoyl]-1-methyl hydrazinyl}acetate (16d)



**16d** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **16a** using **14b** (98.0 mg, 0.193 mmol) and *o*-chlorobenzyl alcohol (32.9 mg, 0.232 mmol).

**16d** (37.2 mg, 0.069 mmol, 2 steps 36%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -38.0$  (*c* 1.00, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 90.3-91.3 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.88 (s, 1H), 7.46-7.25 (m, 4H), 5.74-5.56 (m, 1H), 5.46-5.20 (m, 3H), 4.06-3.88 (m, 1H), 3.82-3.45 (m, 2H), 3.37 (br s, 1H), 3.02-2.48 (m, 5H), 2.42-2.36 (m) and 2.24 (dd, *J* = 15 and 6.0 Hz, total 1H), 1.79-1.54 (m, 2H), 1.43 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.7, 169.5, 156.1, 156.0, 133.9, 132.7, 130.4, 130.0, 129.7, 127.1, 79.2, 78.9, 64.0, 57.7, 45.4, 44.0, 38.9, 37.2, 34.8, 28.45 (3 carbons), 28.36 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>39</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub>NaCl [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 565.2405, found 265.2393.

# (S)-3-Chlorobenzyl 2-{2-[3,5-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pentanoyl]-1-methyl hydrazinyl}acetate (16e)



**16e** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **16a** using **14b** (100 mg, 0.197 mmol) and *m*-chlorobenzyl alcohol (34.4 mg, 0.242 mmol).

**16e** (24.4 mg, 0.045 mmol, 2 steps 23%) was obtained as a white sold;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -19.3$  (*c* 1.00, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 95.9-96.3 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.78 (s) and 7.38-7.18 (m, total 5H), 5.71-5.51 (m, 1H), 5.40-5.06 (m, 3H), 4.06-3.86 (m, 1H), 3.81-3.51 (m, 2H), 3.42-3.28 (m, 1H), 3.02-2.86 (m, 1H), 2.86-2.46 (m, 4H), 2.46-2.36 (m) and 2.24 (dd, *J* = 15 and 5.9 Hz, total 1H), 1.75-1.52 (m, 2H), 1.52-1.30 (m, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.3, 169.4, 156.2 (2 carbons), 137.1, 134.6, 130.0, 128.8, 128.5,

126.4, 79.3, 79.0, 65.7, 57.7, 45.5, 44.1, 38.9, 37.1, 34.9, 28.5 (3 carbons), 28.4 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for  $C_{25}H_{39}N_4O_7NaCl [M+Na]^+$  565.2405, found 565.2405.

# (S)-4-Chlorobenzyl 2-{2-[3,5-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pentanoyl]-1-methyl hydrazinyl}acetate (16f)



**16f** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **16a** using **14b** (100 mg, 0.197 mmol) and *p*-chlorobenzyl alcohol (35.5 mg, 0.250 mmol).

**16f** (42.0 mg, 0.077 mmol, 2 steps 39%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -30.6$  (*c* 0.85, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 102.6-103.9 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.76 (s), 7.42-7.22 (m, total 5H), 5.72-5.51 (m, 1H), 5.42-5.06 (m, 3H), 4.06-3.86 (m, 1H), 3.79-3.50 (m, 2H), 3.46-3.28 (m, 1H), 3.03-2.85 (m, 1H), 2.85-2.46 (m, 4H), 2.46-2.34 (m) and 2.23 (dd, *J* = 15 and 5.8 Hz, total 1H), 1.75-1.54 (m, 2H), 1.54-1.28 (m, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.4, 169.4, 156.2 (2 carbons), 134,6, 133.6, 129.9 (2 carbons), 128.9 (2 carbons), 79.3, 79.0, 65.9, 57.7, 45.5, 44.1, 38.9, 37.2, 34.8, 28.5 (3 carbons), 28.4 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>40</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub>Cl [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 543.2586, found 543.2590.

# (S)-2-Nitrobenzyl 2-{2-[3,5-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pentanoyl]-1-methyl hydrazinyl}acetate (16g)



**16g** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **16a** using **14b** (80.6 mg, 0.158 mmol) and *o*-nitrobenzyl alcohol (35.2 mg, 0.230 mmol).

**16g** (28.3 mg, 51.1 µmol, 2 steps 27%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -33.0$  (*c* 1.40, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 124.2-125.8 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.13 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.79-7.63 (m) and 7.26 (br s, total 2H), 7.62-7.50 (m, 2H), 5.77-5.50 (m, 3H), 5.40-5.19 (m, 1H), 4.09-3.88 (m, 1H), 3.87-3.51 (m, 2H), 3.37 (br s, 1H), 3.03-2.48 (m, 5H), 2.42 (dd, *J* = 15 and 4.5 Hz) and 2.35 (dd, *J* = 15 and 6.0 Hz, total 1H), 1.77-1.54

(m, 2H), 1.43 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.0, 169.1, 156.2 (2 carbons), 147.7, 133.9, 131.1, 129.6, 129.3, 125.2, 79.3, 79.0, 63.4, 57.6, 45.4, 44.1, 39.0, 37.1, 34.9, 28.44 (3 carbons), 28.36 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>40</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>9</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 554.2826, found 554.2826.

# (S)-3-Nitrobenzyl 2-{2-[3,5-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pentanoyl]-1-methyl hydrazinyl}acetate (16h)



**16h** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **16a** using **14b** (60.3 mg, 0.118 mmol) and *m*-nitrobenzyl alcohol (21.7 mg, 0.142 mmol).

**16h** (41.4 mg, 74.8 µmol, 2 steps 63%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -32.0$  (*c* 1.49, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 86.9-87.8 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.23 (s, 2H), 7.76 (s) and 7.25 (br s, total 1H), 7.70 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 5.71-5.52 (m, 1H), 5.40-5.18 (m, 3H), 4.06-3.85 (m, 1H), 3.84-3.57 (m, 2H), 3.36 (br s, 1H), 3.03-2.50 (m, 5H), 2.42 (dd, *J* = 15 and 4.8 Hz) and 2.25 (dd, *J* = 15 and 5.9 Hz, total 1H), 1.78-1.58 (m, 2H), 1.43 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.2, 169.3, 156.1 (2 carbons), 148.4, 137.1, 134.1, 129.8, 123.5, 123.1, 79.3, 79.0, 65.2, 57.7, 45.5, 44.1, 39.0, 37.1, 34.9, 28.44 (3 carbons), 28.35 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>40</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>9</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 554.2826, found 554.2817.

# (S)-4-Nitrobenzyl 2-{2-[3,5-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pentanoyl]-1-methyl hydrazinyl}acetate (16i)



**16h** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **16a** using **14b** (82.5 mg, 0.197 mmol) and *p*-nitrobenzyl alcohol (36.3 mg, 0.237 mmol).

**16h** (45.3 mg, 81.9  $\mu$ mol, 2 steps 42%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -30.5$  (*c* 0.77, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 98.7-100.5 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.25 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (s) and 7.23 (br d, total 1H), 7.53 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 5.74-5.48 (m, 1H), 5.40-5.17 (m, 3H), 4.08-3.84 (m, 1H), 3.83-3.75 (m, 2H), 3.36 (br s, 1H), 3.03-2.83 (m,

1H), 2.82-2.49 (m, 4H), 2.42 (dd, J = 16 and 5.8 Hz) and 2.24 (dd, J = 15 and 5.8 Hz, total 1H), 1.76-1.55 (m, 2H), 1.43 (s, 9H), 1.42 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  170.2, 169.3, 156.2 (2 carbons), 147.9, 142.3, 128.7 (2 carbons), 123.9 (2 carbons), 79.4, 79.1, 65.1, 57.7, 45.5, 44.1, 39.0, 37.1, 34.9, 28.45 (3 carbons), 28.37 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>28</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>9</sub>Na [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> 576.2645, found 576.2633.

# (S)-3-Methoxybenzyl 2-{2-[3,5-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pentanoyl]-1-methyl hydrazinyl}acetate (16j)



**16j** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **16a** using **14b** (114 mg, 0.224 mmol) and *o*-methoxybenzyl alcohol (37.1 mg, 0.269 mmol).

**16j** (59.6 mg, 0.111 mmol, 2 steps 49%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -38.0$  (*c* 0.75, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 77.1-79.0 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.80 (s) and 7.39-7.25 (m, total 3H), 7.04-6.86 (m, 2H), 5.77-5.56 (m, 1H), 5.39-5.17 (m, 3H), 4.05-3.89 (m, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.78-3.50 (m, 2H), 3.37 (br s, 1H), 3.00-2.83 (m, 1H), 2.81-2.49 (m, 4H), 2.48-2.37 (m) and 2.20 (dd, *J* = 15 and 5.6 Hz, total 1H), 1.78-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.43 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.7, 169.6, 157.7, 156.2, 130.4, 130.2, 123.3, 120.5, 110.6, 79.3, 79.0, 62.3, 59.0, 57.8, 55.5, 45.3, 44.0, 38.9, 37.1, 35.2, 28.4 (3 carbons), 28.3 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>43</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>8</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 539.3081, found 539.3079.

# (S)-3-Methoxybenzyl 2-{2-[3,5-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pentanoyl]-1-methyl hydrazinyl}acetate (16k)



**16k** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **16a** using **14b** (79.7 mg, 0.157 mmol) and *m*-methoxybenzyl alcohol (26.0 mg, 0.188 mmol).

**16k** (41.0 mg, 76.2  $\mu$ mol, 2 steps 49%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -33.8$  (*c* 0.94, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 79.3-80.5 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.76 (s) and 7.36-7.25 (m, total 2H), 6.98-6.86 (m, 3H), 5.76-5.56 (m, 1H), 5.40-5.19 (m, 1H), 5.15 (s, 2H),

4.04-3.94 (m, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.79-3.49 (m, 2H), 3.37 (br s, 1H), 3.02-2.88 (m, 1H), 2.87-2.48 (m, 4H), 2.47-2.38 (m) and 2.25 (dd, J = 15 and 5.7 Hz, total 1H), 1.76-1.56 (m, 2H), 1.43 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  174.7, 169.5, 159.8, 156.2 (2 carbons), 136.5, 129.8, 120.6, 114.1, 114.0, 79.3, 79.0, 66.6, 57.7, 55.3, 45.4, 44.1, 38.9, 37.2, 34.9, 28.5 (3 carbons), 28.4 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>43</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>8</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 539.3081, found 539.3072.

# (S)-4-Methoxybenzyl 2-{2-[3,5-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)pentanoyl]-1-methyl hydrazinyl}acetate (16l)



**161** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **16a** using **14b** (106 mg, 0.209 mmol) and *p*-methoxybenzyl alcohol (34.7 mg, 0.251 mmol).

**16l** (49.9 mg, 92.7 μmol, 2 steps 44%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[α]_D^{25} = -29.6$  (*c* 0.15, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); m.p. 89.6-90.2 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.81 (s) and 7.38-7.23 (m, total 3H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 5.74-5.57 (m, 1H), 5.41-5.23 (m, 1H), 5.11 (s, 2H), 4.06-3.85 (m, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.78-3.46 (m, 2H), 3.37 (br s, 1H), 3.00-2.86 (m, 1H), 2.85-2.45 (m, 4H), 2.44-2.37 (m) and 2.22 (dd, *J* = 15 and 5.7 Hz, total 1H), 1.76-1.56 (m, 2H), 1.43 (s, 18H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 174.7, 169.6, 159.9, 156.1, 130.4 (2 carbons), 127.1, 114.0 (2 carbons), 79.2, 78.9, 66.6, 57.7, 55.3, 45.4, 44.0, 38.9, 37.1, 34.7, 28.44 (3 carbons), 28.35 (3 carbons); HRMS (ES+) calcd for  $C_{26}H_{42}N_4O_8Na [M+Na]^+$  561.2900, found 561.2889.

# (S)-2-Bromobenzyl 2-[2-(3,5-diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetate·2TFA (17a)



**17a** was prepared in the same manner as described for compound **9b** using **16a** (52.0 mg, 88.5  $\mu$ mol). The residue was purified by preparative HPLC (gradient: milli–Q water (TFA 0.1%) : CH<sub>3</sub>CN (TFA 0.1%) = 75 : 25 to milli–Q water (TFA 0.1%) : CH<sub>3</sub>CN (TFA 0.1%) = 55 : 45 over 40 min, flow late 5 mL/min, UV: 222 nm). **17a** (26.9 mg, 43.9 µmol, 50%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_{D}^{25} = +4.87$  (*c* 0.10, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 84.7-85.8 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 7.73 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.43 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.37 (m, 1H), 5.33 (s, 2H), 3.82-3.69 (m, 3H), 3.16 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.71 (s, 3H), 2.70-2.55 (m, 2H), 2.22-2.01 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 170.6, 168.8, 134.2, 133.0, 130.9, 130.7, 128.0, 123.3, 66.9, 58.3, 46.1, 44.3, 35.7, 34.6, 29.8; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Br [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 387.1032, found 387.1033.

### (S)-3-Bromobenzyl 2-[2-(3,5-diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetate·2TFA (17b)



17b was prepared in the same manner as described for compound 17a using 16b (44.9 mg, 76.4  $\mu$ mol).

**17b** (10.7 mg, 17.3 µmol, 23%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +8.08$  (*c* 0.77, D<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 102.4-103.0 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  7.70-7.57 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.32 (m, 3H), 5.20 (s, 2H), 3.79-3.64 (m, 3H), 3.10 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.67 (s, 3H), 2.62-2.45 (m, 2H), 2.18-1.98 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  170.6, 168.8, 137.7, 131.5, 130.9, 130.5, 127.0, 121.9, 66.2, 58.4, 46.0, 44.3, 35.6, 34.5, 29.8; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Br [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 387.1032, found 387.1035.

# (S)-4-Bromobenzyl 2-[2-(3,5-diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetate·2TFA (17c)



17c was prepared in the same manner as described for compound 17a using 16c (37.2 mg, 63.3  $\mu$ mol).

**17c** (18.4 mg, 29.9 μmol, 47%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[α]_D^{25} = +6.67$  (*c* 0.50, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 88.5-89.4 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 7.59 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 5.16 (s, 2H), 3.74-3.62 (m, 3H), 3.09 (t, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 2.65 (s, 3H), 2.60-2.45 (m, 2H), 2.20-1.98 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 173.5, 171.7, 137.4, 134.6 (2 carbons), 133.1 (2 carbons), 124.9, 69.3, 61.4, 48.9, 47.2, 38.6, 37.5, 32.7; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Br [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 387.1032, found 387.1024.

# (S)-2-Chlorobenzyl 2-[2-(3,5-diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetate·2TFA (17d)



17d was prepared in the same manner as described for compound 17a using 16d (37.2 mg, 68.5  $\mu$ mol).

**17d** (35.1 mg, 61.6 µmol, 90%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +4.99$  (*c* 1.00, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 78.5-79.5 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  7.53-7.44 (m, 2H), 7.44-7.32 (m, 2H), 5.30 (s, 2H), 3.80-3.60 (m, 3H), 3.09 (t, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 2.64 (s, 3H), 2.61-2.39 (m, 2H), 2.15-1.96 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  170.5, 168.8, 133.5, 132.5, 130.8, 130.4, 129.7, 127.3, 64.7, 58.3, 46.0, 44.2, 35.6, 34.5, 29.7; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Cl [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 343.1537, found 343.1535.

# (S)-3-Chlorobenzyl 2-[2-(3,5-diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetate·2TFA (17e)



17e was prepared in the same manner as described for compound 17a using 16e (24.4 mg, 45.0  $\mu$ mol).

**17e** (14.0 mg, 24.5 µmol, 54%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +5.27$  (*c* 1.00, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 69.9-70.8 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  7.45-7.31 (m, 4H), 5.18 (s, 2H), 3.76-3.60 (m, 3H), 3.08 (t, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 2.65 (s, 3H), 2.60-2.45 (m, 2H), 2.13-1.95 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  170.6, 168.8, 137.4, 133.8, 130.2, 128.5, 128.0, 126.5, 66.2, 58.4, 46.0, 44.3, 35.6, 34.5, 29.7; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Cl [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 343.1537, found 343.1535.

# (S)-4-Chlorobenzyl 2-[2-(3,5-diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetate·2TFA (17f)



17f was prepared in the same manner as described for compound 17a using 16f (22.6 mg, 41.7  $\mu$ mol).

**17f** (13.1 mg, 23.0 µmol, 55%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +2.52$  (*c* 0.50, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 72.1-73.2 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  7.47-7.30 (m, 4H), 5.17 (s, 2H), 3.80-3.55 (m, 3H), 3.08 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (s, 3H), 2.59-2.40 (m, 2H), 2.15-1.92 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  170.6, 168.8, 134.0, 133.8, 129.9 (2 carbons), 128.7 (2 carbons), 66.4, 58.4, 46.0, 44.2, 35.6, 34.5, 29.7; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Cl [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 343.1537, found 343.1534.

# (S)-2-Nitrobenzyl 2-[2-(3,5-diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetate·2TFA (17g)



17g was prepared in the same manner as described for compound 17a using 16g (28.3 mg, 51.1  $\mu$ mol).

**17g** (21.8 mg, 37.5 μmol, 74%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[α]_D^{25} = +6.10$  (*c* 0.50, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 79.9-80.4 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 8.15 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.69-7.58 (m, 2H), 5.52 (s, 2H), 3.79-3.68 (m, 3H), 3.11 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 2.65 (s, 3H), 2.62 (m, 2H), 2.13-1.99 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 173.3, 171.9, 150.3, 137.4, 133.34, 133.27, 132.6, 128.2, 67.0, 61.2, 49.0, 47.2, 38.6, 37.6, 32.7; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>5</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 354.1777, found 354.1782.

# (S)-3-Nitrobenzyl 2-[2-(3,5-diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetate·2TFA (17h)



17h was prepared in the same manner as described for compound 17a using 16h (36.9 mg, 66.6  $\mu$ mol).

**17h** (21.6 mg, 37.2 µmol, 56%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +6.49$  (*c* 0.50, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 76.0-76.7 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  8.25 (s, 1H), 8.21 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (s, 2H), 3.79-3.63 (m, 3H),

3.11 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.66 (s, 3H), 2.60 (dd, J = 17 and 5.3 Hz) and 2.53 (dd, J = 17 and 7.5 Hz, total 2H), 2.18-1.97 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  173.5, 171.8, 150.8, 140.1, 137.6, 132.8, 126.3, 125.7, 68.7, 61.3, 49.0, 47.2, 38.6, 37.6, 32.8; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>5</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 354.1777, found 354.1773.

### (S)-4-Nitrobenzyl 2-[2-(3,5-diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetate·2TFA (17i)



17i was prepared in the same manner as described for compound 17a using 16i (22.1 mg,  $39.9 \mu$ mol).

**17i** (15.7 mg, 27.0 µmol, 68%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +3.72$  (*c* 0.50, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 52.6-53.0 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  8.24 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.30 (s, 2H), 3.80-3.61 (m, 3H), 3.09 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 2.65 (s, 3H), 2.59 (dd, *J* = 16 and 5.3 Hz) and 2.52 (dd, *J* = 17 and 7.4 Hz, total 2H), 2.15-1.98 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  173.4, 171.9, 150.3, 145.9, 131.5 (2 carbons), 126.7 (2 carbons), 68.7, 61.2, 48.9, 47.2, 38.6, 37.8, 32.8; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>5</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 354.1777, found 354.1771.

### (S)-2-Methoxybenzyl

### 2-[2-(3,5-diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetate·2TFA (17j)



17j was prepared in the same manner as described for compound 17a using 16j (30.4 mg, 56.5  $\mu$ mol).

**17j** (20.8 mg, 36.8 µmol, 65%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +2.35$  (*c* 1.00, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 66.5-66.8 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  7.46-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.22 (s, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.70-3.60 (m, 3H), 3.08 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.63 (s, 3H), 2.59-2.46 (m, 2H), 2.18-1.97 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  173.6, 171.8, 160.4, 133.7, 133.5, 126.0, 123.8, 114.6, 65.8, 61.2, 58.6, 48.9, 47.0, 38.6, 37.6, 32.7; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>27</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 339.2032,

found 339.2025.

#### (S)-3-Methoxybenzyl

2-[2-(3,5-diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetate·2TFA (17k)



17k was prepared in the same manner as described for compound 17a using 16k (22.1 mg, 41.1  $\mu$ mol).

**17k** (15.0 mg, 26.5 μmol, 64%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[α]_D^{25} = +8.44$  (*c* 0.43, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 58.1-58.6 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) 7.38 (t, *J* = 19 Hz, 1H), 7.05-6.99 (m, 3H), 5.18 (s, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.68 (s) and 3.67-3.65 (m, total 3H), 3.08 (t, *J* = 18 Hz, 2H), 2.64 (s, 3H), 2.58-2.46 (m, 2H), 2.08-1.99 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O) δ 170.6, 168.8, 159.0, 137.0, 130.1, 120.9, 114.2, 113.8, 66.9, 58.4, 55.4, 46.0, 44.2, 35.6, 34.6, 29.8; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>27</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 339.2032, found 339.2021.

### (S)-4-Methoxybenzyl

### 2-[2-(3,5-diaminopentanoyl)-1-methylhydrazinyl]acetate<sup>.</sup>2TFA (17l)



171 was prepared in the same manner as described for compound 17a using 16k (30.8 mg, 57.2  $\mu$ mol).

**171** (18.2 mg, 32.1 µmol, 56%) was obtained as a white solid;  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +0.25$  (*c* 0.50, H<sub>2</sub>O); m.p. 71.0-72.1 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  7.50 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.15 (s, 2H), 2.84 (s, 3H), 3.73-3.61 (m, 3H), 3.09 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.64 (s, 3H), 2.55-2.49 (m, 2H), 2.15-1.94 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, D<sub>2</sub>O)  $\delta$  170.7, 168.8, 159.1, 130.4 (2 carbons), 127.8, 114.2 (2 carbons), 66.9, 58.4, 55.4, 46.0, 44.2, 35.6, 34.5, 29.7; HRMS (ES+) calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>27</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub> [M+H]<sup>+</sup> 339.2032, found 339.2036.

#### 6. Biological evaluation

### 6-1. Chemicals

Geneticin (G418) solution was purchased from Roche Diagnostics K.K., Swizerland.

### 6-2. Plasmid

The previously reported plasmids<sup>1</sup> were used in this study. The dual-reporter plasmid for mammalian cells expression encodes the  $\beta$ -galactosidase and luciferase genes connected with the premature termination codon (PTC), a 27-mer stretch of DNA that contains the sequence surrounding the PTC in exon 23 of the *mdx* gene for mouse dystrophin: TTGAAAGAGCAA<u>TAA</u>AATGGCTTCAAC. The PTC was originally TAA. We used TGA in this study.

The *in vitro* eukaryotic expression study involved the insertion of the  $\beta$ -galactosidase-TGA-luciferase fragment downstream of the IRES sequence of the pT7CFE1-CGST-HA-His vector (Thermo Fisher Scientific).

### 6-3. The cell-based readthrough activity evaluation

The cell-based readthrough activity was evaluated by previously reported procedure<sup>1</sup>.

COS-7 cells were maintained in D-MEM (high glucose, Wako Pure Chemical Industries, Ltd., Japan) containing 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS, Nichirei Bliosciences Inc., Japan) at 37 °C in a humidified 5% CO<sub>2</sub> atmosphere. Cells were plated in 96-well plates at 8000 cells/well. After incubation at 37 °C for 12 h, cells were transfected with a plasmid with PTC using the FuGene<sup>®</sup> HD Transfect reagent (Roche Diagnostics K.K., Swizerland). The medium was removed from the well, and the medium containing the compounds at a concentration of 50-200 µM were added to the well. As a control, the medium without compounds was also added. The cells were incubated at 37 °C for 48 h, cells were collected, and β-galactosidase activity in the cell lysates was measured according to the manufacturer's protocol for the β-Galactosidase Enzyme Assay with Reporter Lysis Buffer (Promega KK, USA). The β-galactosidase activity was measured by TECAN SAFIRE (TECAN Japan Co., Ltd, Japan) at 420 nm (reference 0 nm). The luciferase activity in the cell lysates was measured according to the manufacturer's protocol for using the PicaGene<sup>®</sup> BrillianStar-LT (TOYO INK CO., LTD., Japan). The luciferase activity was measured using a Berthold Luminometer MicroLumat Plus LB96V (Berthold Japan K.K., Japan). The readthrough activity was determined as the

ratio of luciferase activity to  $\beta$ -galactosidase activity. The activities of compounds were expressed as a ratio relative to control (=1).

### 6-4. The readthrough activity evaluation of cell-free protein synthesis system

The cell-free readthrough activity was evaluated by previously reported procedure<sup>1</sup>.

The readthrough activity of the cell-free protein synthesis system was evaluated according to the manufacturer's protocol for the Human Cell-Free Protein Expression System (TAKARA Bio Inc, Japan). Compounds (final concentration, 20  $\mu$ M) were added to the lysate before incubation at 37 °C for 3 h. The  $\beta$ -galactosidase and luciferase activities were measured in the same way as in the cell-based assay, as described above.

### 6-5. The antimicrobial activity assay (MIC assay)

The antimicrobial activity assay of **9b** was evaluated at Hygiene & Microbiology Research Center. As a bacterial strain, *Staphylococcus aureus* NBRC13276, *Escherichia coli* NBRC3972 were used.

### 6-6. Hydrolysis of benzyl ester of 17e by porcine liver esterase

The stock solution of **17e** (20 mM in 100 mM phosphate buffer, pH 7.4) was diluted to 2 mM with 100 mM phosphate buffer (pH 7.4). The suspension of the porcine liver esterase (9  $\mu$ L; containing 110  $\mu$ unit/mL; PLE: carboxylic-ester hydrolase, Aldrich, USA) was added to the solution of **17e** (2 mM, 450  $\mu$ L). The residual solution of **17e** (2 mM, 50  $\mu$ L) was used as a sample of time zero without addition of esterase. Each solution (2 mM, 50  $\mu$ L) containing PLE was incubated at 37 °C for appropriate times. After the incubation, the mixture was filtered through the centrifugal filter (0.2  $\mu$ m filter unit, NANOSEP<sup>®</sup> MF centrifugal devices, PALL) and immediately frozen at –78 °C to neutralize a PLE. After melting, the filtrate containing **17e** and its metabolites were analyzed by RP-HPLC and high-resolution mass spectrometry for identification of some metabolites appeared as a new HPLC peak.



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Compound 5b carbon

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Compound 6b proton

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Compound 16e carbon

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