

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Nitric Oxide Synthase as a Target for Methicillin Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*

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Table S1 Related to Figure 2. Cytochrome-c reductase activity measured using 100 nM bBidomain and 1 μ M YumC in the presence of inhibitors **19** and **32** at varying concentrations. Inhibitors do not have significant effects on cytochrome-c reductase activity indicating inhibitors do not interfere with redox activity of bBiDomain and YumC.

[Inhibitor] _{assay} , μ M	Cytochrome C Turnover (min^{-1})
No Inhibitor	538 \pm 32
19 , 1 μ M	521 \pm 70
19 , 10 μ M	552 \pm 12
19 , 50 μ M	561 \pm 19
32 , 1 μ M	503 \pm 15
32 , 10 μ M	529 \pm 11
32 , 50 μ M	506 \pm 18

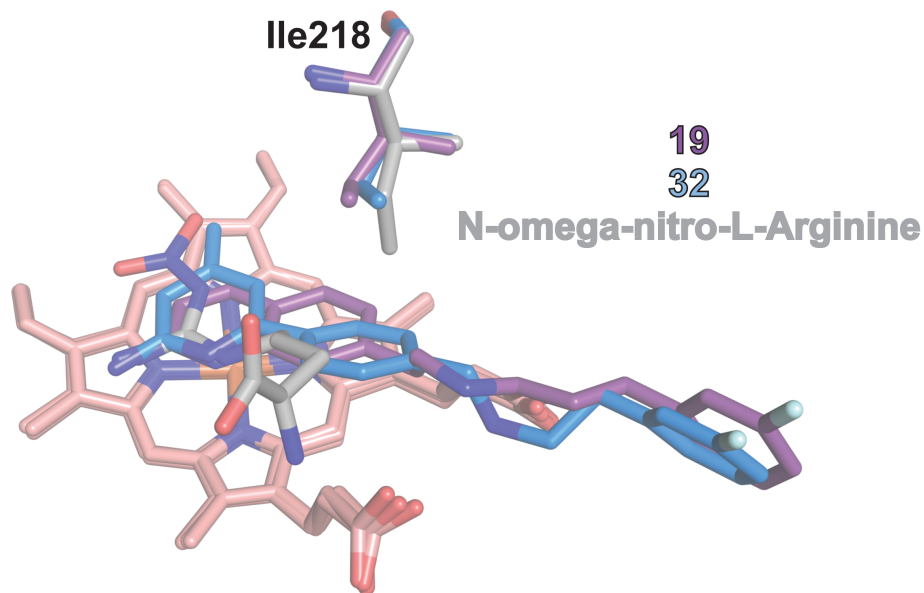


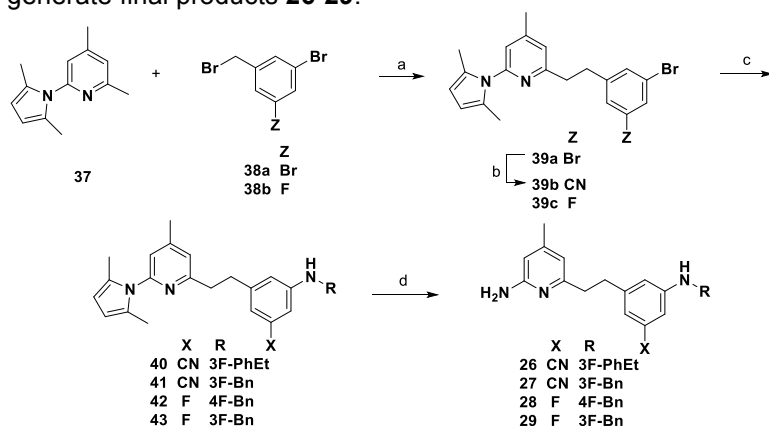
Figure S1 Related to Figure 3. Ile218 of bsNOS contributes a hydrophobic patch to facilitate binding of **19** and **32**. Binding of either **19** or **32** induces a subtle change in the rotameric position of Ile218. The alternate rotameric position of Ile218 is best observed by direct comparison to the binding mode of N-omega-nitro-L-Arg (redrawn from PDB 4UQR), an inhibitor that does not utilize the hydrophobic patch contributed by Ile218 for binding. The heme is colored salmon, **19** is shown in blue, **32** in purple, and N-omega-nitro-L-Arg in grey. Ile218 is colored to correspond with the inhibitor-color scheme.

Table S2 Related to Figure 2. Cytotoxicity of NOS inhibitors evaluated against mouse embryonic fibroblast cells in tissue culture after 72 h incubation. An IC₅₀ for L-NAME could not be determined over the 40 μ M to 0.3125 μ M inhibitor range evaluated.

IC ₅₀ (μ M)	NOS Inhibitor		
	19	32	L-NAME
	5.84	11.86	n.d.

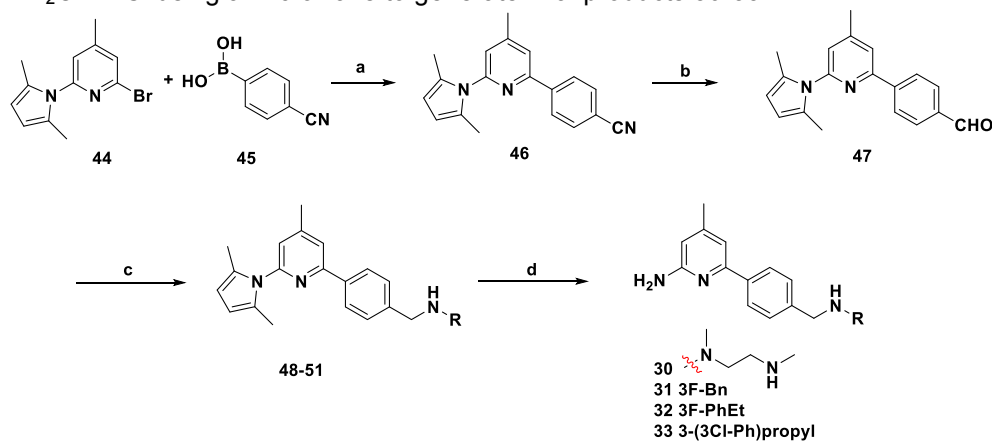
All Schemes Related to Figure 1.

Compounds **26-29** were synthesized using previously established methods (Holden et al., 2015) (**Scheme 1**); dibromophenethyl derivative **39a-c** were prepared by coupling of benzyl bromide (**38a-b**) with lithiated pyrrolyl-4,6-lutidine. Intermediate **39a** underwent microwave-assisted Rosenmund-von Braun reaction with CuCN to introduce a nitrile moiety (**39b**). Buchwald-Hartwig reaction of **39b** and **39c** with several aryl amines using Pd₂(dba)₃ and DavePhos gave **40-43**. The 2,5-dimethylpyrrole protecting group was removed with NH₂OH·HCl using a microwave to generate final products **26-29**.



Scheme 1. Reagents and conditions: a) (i) BuLi, 0 °C, 30 min, THF; (ii) I or II, 81-86%; b) CuCN, DMF, microwave, 220 °C, 20 min, 57%; c) amine, Pd₂(dba)₃, DavePhos, NaOtBu, THF, 1,4-dioxane, 5~10 h, 100 °C, 69-90%; d) NH₂OH(HCl) (5 equiv), EtOH, H₂O, microwave, 120 °C, 25 min, 60-80%

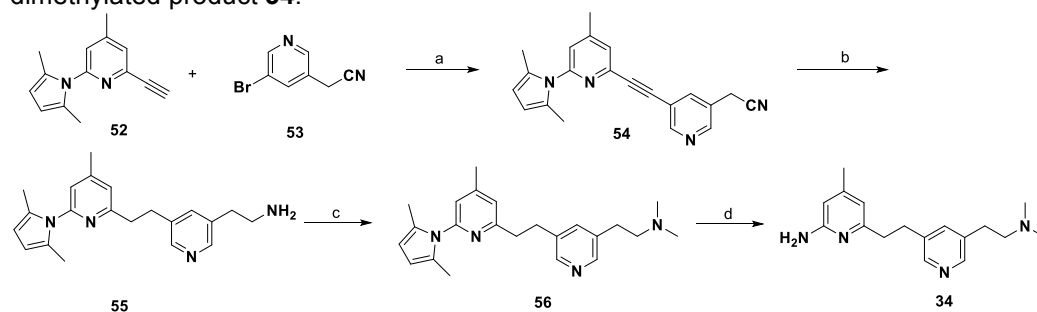
Compounds **30-33** were prepared using the synthetic pathway shown in Scheme 2. Palladium-catalyzed Suzuki cross coupling between pyridinyl bromide and phenylboronic acid yielded **46**. For addition of an amine tail in **30-33**, the aromatic nitrile moiety of **46** was converted to the prerequisite benzaldehyde; this was accomplished with DIBALH. The aldehyde of **47** was then condensed by reductive amination with several amines to give the corresponding benzylamines (**48-51**). The 2,5-dimethylpyrrole protecting group on **48-51** was removed with NH₂OH·HCl using a microwave to generate final products **30-33**.



Scheme 2. a) Pd(PPh₃)₄, Na₂CO₃, toluene, 12 h, 100 °C, 71%; b) DIBAL, CH₂Cl₂, 51% c) NaBH(OAc)₃, AcOH, CH₂Cl₂, room temperature, 12 h, 62%, d) NH₂OH(HCl) (5 equiv), EtOH, H₂O, microwave, 120 °C, 25 min, 60-80%

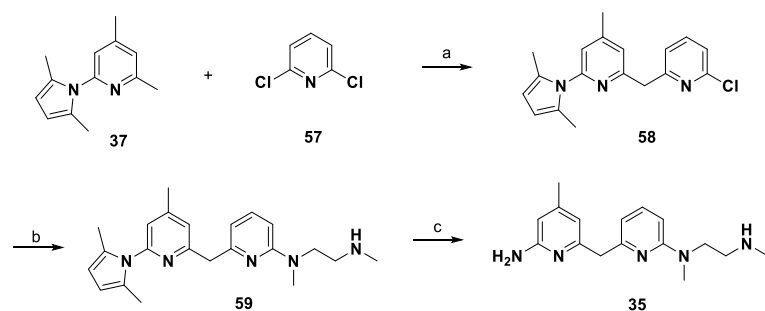
Chemical synthesis of **34** required Sonogashira coupling between **52** and **53** as shown in Scheme 3. Hydrogen reduction of acetylene and nitrile moieties of **54** with Raney-Nickel yielded desired aryl ethylamine **55**. Treatment of formaldehyde with NaBH(OAc)₃ and the following deprotection of 2,5-dimethylpyrrole gave N-

dimethylated product **34**.



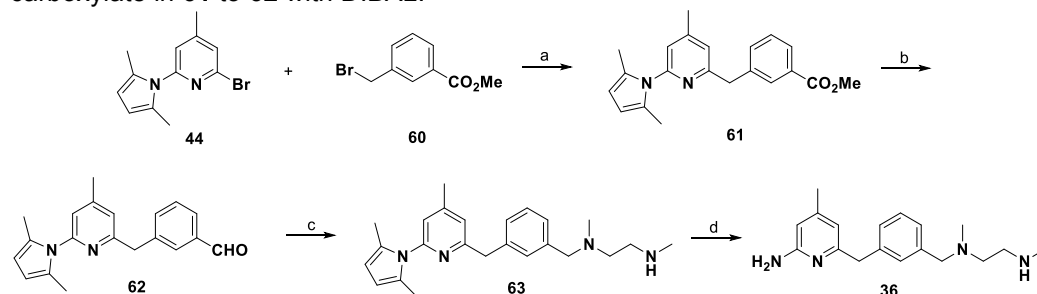
Scheme 3. Reagents and conditions: a) Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂, CuI, PPh₃, DEA, DMF; b) Raney-Ni, H₂, MeOH/EtOH; c) formaldehyde (35%), NaBH(OAc)₃, MeOH/CH₂Cl₂; d) NH₂OH(HCl) (5 equiv), EtOH, H₂O, microwave, 120 °C, 25 min

The methylene-linked bis(pyridine) derivative (**35**) was synthesized from addition of lithiated 2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4,6-dimethylpyridine (**37**) to 0.5 equiv of 2,6-dichloropyridine (**57**) as a nucleophilic component (Scheme 4) (Yamamoto et al., 2001). Although branched byproducts were produced, using 2 equiv of the lithiated pyridine was crucial because **58** contains an acidic methylene unit. Buchwald–Hartwig reaction with *N*¹,*N*²-dimethylethane-1,2-diamine and deprotection of dimethylpyrrole gave final product **35**.



Scheme 4. Reagents and conditions: a) BuLi, THF, ice bath to reflux; b) amine, Pd₂(dba)₃, DavePhos, NaOtBu, THF, 1,4-dioxane, 12 h, 100 °C; c) NH₂OH(HCl) (5 equiv), EtOH, H₂O, microwave, 120 °C, 25 min

The synthetic procedure for **36** is shown in Scheme 5. Pd(PPh₃)₄-catalyzed cross coupling between 2-bromopyridine and benzylzinc bromide, which was prepared from benzyl bromide and Zn, afforded 2-benzylpyridine (**61**). Similar to the synthesis of **30-33**, *N*¹,*N*²-dimethylethane-1,2-diamine tail was installed after conversion of the carboxylate in **61** to **62** with DIBAL.



Scheme 5. Reagents and conditions: a) Zn dust, Pd(PPh₃)₄, THF, room temp, 12 h; b) DIBAL, toluene; c) NaBH(AcO)₃, AcOH, CH₂Cl₂, room temp, 12 h; d) NH₂OH(HCl) (5 equiv), EtOH, H₂O, microwave, 120 °C, 25 min.

Synthesis and Spectral Data

General Experimental Procedures

General procedure for coupling reaction of benzyl bromide with lithiated pyrrolyl-lutidine; Method A. n-BuLi (1.6 M solution in hexanes, 3.75 mL, 6.0 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of 2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4,6-dimethylpyridine (1.2 g, 6.0 mmol) in THF (25 mL) at 0 °C. After being stirred for 30 min at the same temperature, the mixture was transferred to a solution of benzyl bromide (5.0 mmol) in THF (25 mL) at -78 °C via cannula. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir for an additional 20 min, and then quenched by addition of H₂O (50 mL) and ethyl acetate (50 mL). The organic layer was partitioned, dried with MgSO₄, and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexanes) to yield the corresponding products.

2-(3,5-Dibromophenethyl)-6-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridine (39a). The title compound was prepared using General Method A from 3,5-dibromobenzyl bromide (**38a**). 86%; pale yellow oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.51 (s, 1H), 7.26 (ss, 2H), 6.91 (s, 2H), 5.92 (s, 2H), 3.06 (q, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 4H), 2.40 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz, 3H), 2.15 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.76, 151.73, 149.72, 145.43, 131.65, 130.43, 128.48, 122.77, 122.74, 120.42, 106.76, 39.02, 34.89, 21.01, 13.27; MS ESI [*M* + *H*]⁺ = 449.3.

3-Bromo-5-(2-(6-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)ethyl)benzonitrile (39b).

To a 5 mL microwave vial equipped with a magnetic stir bar was added **39a** (448 mg, 1.0 mmol), CuCN (108 mg, 1.20 mmol), and DMF (2 mL). After capping the vial, the sample was heated in the microwave irradiator for 20 min at 220 °C. After being cooled to room temperature, the reaction mixture was treated with dichloromethane (20 mL), filtered, and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography to give the title compound (225 mg, 57%) as a pale yellow oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.57 (s, 1H), 7.41 (s, 1H), 6.93 (ss, 2H), 5.92 (s, 2H), 3.19 – 3.03 (m, 4H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.13 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.27, 151.82, 149.88, 145.04, 136.39, 132.31, 130.76, 128.44, 122.77, 122.75, 120.59, 117.45, 113.92, 106.81, 38.69, 34.58, 21.01, 13.26; MS ESI [*M* + *H*]⁺ = 394.5.

2-(3-Bromo-5-fluorophenethyl)-6-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridine (39c). The title compound was prepared using General Method A from 3-bromo-5-fluoro-benzyl bromide (**38b**). 81%; pale yellow oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.15 (s, 1H), 7.10 (dt, *J* = 8.2, 2.1 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (s, 1H), 6.92 (s, 1H), 6.87 (m, 1H), 5.94 (s, 2H), 3.16 – 3.03 (m, 4H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.17 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.60 (d, *J* = 250.1 Hz), 159.89, 151.75, 149.71, 145.63 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 128.46, 127.56 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 122.74, 122.29 (d, *J* = 10.2 Hz), 120.40, 116.69 (d, *J* = 24.4 Hz), 114.42 (d, *J* = 20.9 Hz), 106.79, 38.98, 35.04 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz), 21.01, 13.28; MS ESI [*M* + *H*]⁺ = 387.2.

General procedure for Buchwald Hartwig amination using Pd₂(dba)₃ and DavePhos: Method B; A mixture of 3-bromobenzene (0.25 mmol), amine (0.30 mmol), Pd₂(dba)₃ (12 mg, 0.0125 mmol), DavePhos (10 mg, 0.025 mmol), and NaOtBu (29 mg, 0.30 mmol) in THF (1.0 mL) and 1,4-dioxane (1.0 mL) was stirred at 80 °C for 12 h. The reaction mixture was then treated with diethyl ether (10 mL), filtered, and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexanes) to give the corresponding products.

General procedure for deprotection of 2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)pyridine derivatives using microwave irradiation(Mukherjee et al., 2014): Method C; To a 5 mL microwave vial equipped with a magnetic stir bar the protected aminopyridine (0.1~ 0.5 mmol), hydroxylamine HCl (5 equiv), ethanol (2 mL), and water (1 mL) were added. After capping the vial, the contents were shaken vigorously and then heated in the microwave irradiator for 30 min at 120 °C. The reaction mixture was concentrated in *vacuo* and purified by flash column chromatography using a C18 flash cartridge (12 -25g, 40-63 μm / 230-400 mesh, Pore Size 60 Å) with 5 to 90% MeOH in water as the mobile phase. This method was applied to give pure (> 95% by HPLC) final compounds (65% - 80% yield).

3-(2-(6-(2,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)ethyl)-5-((3-fluorophenethyl)amino)benzonitrile (40). The title compound was prepared using General Method B from 2-(3-fluorophenyl)ethylamine. 86%, colorless gel; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 7.01 (dt, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.00 – 6.92 (m, 3H), 6.90 (s, 1H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 6.66 (s, 1H), 6.63 (s, 1H), 5.92 (s, 2H), 3.96 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (q, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.11 – 3.05 (m, 2H), 3.05 – 2.99 (m, 2H), 2.92 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.15 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.98, 162.02, 160.21, 151.68, 149.70, 148.20, 143.91, 141.38, 141.32, 130.25, 130.19, 128.44, 124.45, 124.43, 122.69, 120.96, 120.29, 119.58, 117.45, 115.69, 115.53, 113.68, 113.51, 113.05, 112.81, 106.76, 44.34, 39.14, 35.40, 34.93, 21.01, 13.28; MS ESI [*M* + *H*]⁺ = 453.7.

3-(2-(6-Amino-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)ethyl)-5-((3-fluorophenethyl)amino)benzonitrile (26). The title compound was prepared using General Method C from **40**. 70%; pale yellow gel; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 7.01 – 6.90 (m, 3H), 6.86 (s, 1H), 6.64 (s, 2H), 6.28 (s, 1H), 6.16 (s, 1H), 3.37 (q, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 2.90 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 5.4 Hz, 4H), 2.85 – 2.76 (m, 2H), 2.18 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.98 (d, *J* = 246.1 Hz), 158.31 (d, *J* = 22.4 Hz), 156.44, 149.67, 148.05, 144.22, 141.36 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 130.18 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 124.43 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 121.28, 119.68, 117.67, 115.61 (d, *J* = 21.0 Hz), 114.12, 113.57 (d, *J* = 21.2 Hz), 112.86, 112.70, 106.95, 44.37, 39.18, 35.81, 34.92 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz), 21.00; HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₃H₂₄FN₄ [*M* + *H*]⁺, 375.1980; found, 375.1976.

3-(2-(6-(2,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)ethyl)-5-((3-fluorobenzyl)amino)-benzonitrile (41). The title compound was prepared using General Method B from 3-fluorobenzylamine. 69%; brown oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32 – 7.27 (m, 1H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.03 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 6.98 – 6.93 (m, 1H), 6.88 (s, 1H), 6.85 (s, 1H), 6.77 (ss, 1H), 6.62 (s, 1H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 5.87 (s, 2H), 4.35 – 4.30 (m, 1H), 4.29 (s, 2H), 3.10 – 2.89 (m, 4H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.09 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.16 (d, *J* = 246.6 Hz), 160.14, 151.66, 149.67, 148.06, 143.90, 141.05 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 130.38 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 128.45, 122.69 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz), 122.64, 121.37, 120.28, 119.50, 117.57,

114.45 (d, $J = 21.1$ Hz), 113.99 (d, $J = 21.8$ Hz), 113.01, 112.83, 106.76, 47.28, 39.03, 35.32, 21.02, 13.26; MS ESI [$M + H$]⁺ = 439.1.

3-(2-(6-Amino-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)ethyl)-5-((3-fluorobenzyl)amino)benzonitrile (27). The title compound was prepared using General Method C from **41**. 78%; pale yellow gel; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD) δ 7.35 (td, $J = 7.9, 5.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.08 (dt, $J = 10.0, 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.98 (td, $J = 8.5, 2.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 6.68 (s, 2H), 6.31 (s, 1H), 6.26 (s, 1H), 4.33 (s, 2H), 2.84 (dd, $J = 8.8, 5.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.76 (dd, $J = 8.8, 5.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.18 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, MeOD) δ 164.54 (d, $J = 244.4$ Hz), 160.10, 158.00, 156.10, 151.99, 150.43, 145.04, 143.86 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz), 131.30 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz), 123.90 (d, $J = 2.9$ Hz), 121.07, 120.52, 118.34, 114.77, 114.60, 113.99, 113.39, 108.35, 47.38, 39.39, 36.71, 21.51; HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₂H₂₂FN₄ [$M + H$]⁺, 361.1823; found, 361.1832.

3-(2-(6-(2,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)ethyl)-5-fluoro-N-(4-fluorobenzyl)aniline (42). The title compound was prepared using General Method B from **39c** and 4-fluorobenzylamine. 75%; colorless oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.10 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 6.95 (s, 1H), 6.89 (s, 1H), 6.31 – 6.24 (m, 2H), 6.16 (dt, $J = 11.2, 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 5.92 (s, 2H), 4.27 (s, 2H), 3.10 – 3.01 (m, 2H), 3.01 – 2.92 (m, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.15 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.04 (d, $J = 241.8$ Hz), 161.13, 160.70, 151.61, 149.51, 149.41 (d, $J = 11.5$ Hz), 144.56 (d, $J = 9.4$ Hz), 134.51 (d, $J = 3.3$ Hz), 129.02 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 128.47, 122.58, 120.11, 115.55 (d, $J = 21.6$ Hz), 108.85, 106.71, 104.41 (d, $J = 21.4$ Hz), 97.38 (d, $J = 25.7$ Hz), 47.51, 39.30, 35.84 (d, $J = 1.9$ Hz), 21.02, 13.26; MS ESI [$M + H$]⁺ = 432.1.

6-(3-Fluoro-5-((4-fluorobenzyl)amino)phenethyl)-4-methylpyridin-2-amine (28). The title compound was prepared using General Method C from **42**. 63%; pale yellow gel; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32 (dd, $J = 8.5, 5.5$ Hz, 2H), 7.04 (t, $J = 8.7$ Hz, 2H), 6.37 – 6.28 (m, 3H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 6.16 – 6.11 (m, 1H), 4.27 (d, $J = 5.3$ Hz, 2H), 4.18 (t, $J = 5.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.92 – 2.78 (m, 4H), 2.20 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.99 (d, $J = 242.4$ Hz), 162.06 (d, $J = 245.1$ Hz), 158.62, 158.22, 156.73 (d, $J = 55.5$ Hz), 156.40, 149.72, 149.45 (d, $J = 11.3$ Hz), 144.86 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz), 134.65 (d, $J = 3.1$ Hz), 129.01 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz), 115.51 (d, $J = 21.4$ Hz), 114.06, 108.96 (d, $J = 1.9$ Hz), 106.86, 104.37 (d, $J = 21.5$ Hz), 97.17 (d, $J = 25.6$ Hz), 47.47, 39.15, 36.11, 21.04; HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₁H₂₂F₂N₃ [$M + H$]⁺, 354.1776; found, 354.1782.

3-(2-(6-(2,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)ethyl)-5-fluoro-N-(3-fluorobenzyl)aniline (43). The title compound was prepared using General Method B from 3-fluorobenzylamine. 71%; pale yellow oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.36 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.17 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 7.10 – 7.06 (m, 1H), 7.02 – 6.96 (m, 1H), 6.94 (s, 1H), 6.89 (s, 1H), 6.31 – 6.25 (m, 2H), 6.15 (dt, $J = 11.1, 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 5.92 (s, 2H), 4.32 (s, 2H), 3.05 (dd, $J = 9.3, 5.8$ Hz, 2H), 2.97 (dd, $J = 9.2, 5.7$ Hz, 2H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.15 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.55 (d, $J = 112.3$ Hz), 162.61 (d, $J = 116.1$ Hz), 160.69, 151.60, 149.52, 149.31 (d, $J = 11.4$ Hz), 144.57 (d, $J = 9.3$ Hz), 141.70 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz), 130.22 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz), 128.48, 122.76 (d, $J = 2.7$ Hz), 122.60, 120.12, 114.25 (d, $J = 16.9$ Hz), 114.08 (d, $J = 17.4$ Hz), 108.87, 106.72 (d, $J = 4.7$ Hz), 104.49 (d, $J = 21.4$ Hz), 97.38 (d, $J = 25.8$ Hz), 47.63, 39.28, 35.82 (d, $J = 1.9$ Hz), 21.01, 13.25; MS ESI [$M + H$]⁺ = 432.1.

6-(3-Fluoro-5-((3-fluorobenzyl)amino)phenethyl)-4-methylpyridin-2-amine (29). The title compound was prepared using General Method C from **43**. 65%; pale yellow gel. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32 (td, $J = 7.9, 5.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, $J = 9.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.98 (td, $J = 8.5, 2.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.33 (dt, $J = 9.5, 1.7$ Hz, 1H), 6.31 – 6.27 (m, 2H), 6.17 (s, 1H), 6.13 (dt, $J = 11.3, 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.31 (d, $J = 4.6$ Hz, 2H), 4.28 (d, $J = 5.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.90 – 2.78 (m, 4H), 2.20 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.03 (d, $J = 242.1$ Hz), 162.12 (d, $J = 247.0$ Hz), 158.55, 158.23, 156.78 (d, $J = 52.3$ Hz), 156.45, 149.77, 149.34 (d, $J = 11.3$ Hz), 144.86 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz), 141.85 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz), 130.18 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz), 122.76 (d, $J = 2.8$ Hz), 114.21 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz), 114.04 (t, $J = 4.3$ Hz), 109.02 (d, $J = 1.9$ Hz), 106.89, 104.45 (d, $J = 21.4$ Hz), 97.15 (d, $J = 25.6$ Hz), 47.59 (d, $J = 1.8$ Hz), 39.11, 36.11 (d, $J = 1.9$ Hz), 21.04; HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₁H₂₂F₂N₃ [$M + H$]⁺, 354.1776; found, 354.1781.

4-(6-(2,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)benzonitrile (46). (4-Cyanophenyl)boronic acid (5.5 mmol) in 2 M Na₂CO₃ (aqueous solution, 5 mL) and methanol (5 mL) was added to a stirred solution of 2-bromo-6-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridine (5 mmol) and Pd(Ph₃)₄ (0.25 mmol) in toluene (20 mL) under a nitrogen atmosphere. The mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 24 h. After the solvent was removed under vacuum, the residue was partitioned between ethyl acetate (200 mL) and water (50 mL). The organic layer was dried (sodium sulfate), evaporated, and purified by column chromatography on a silica gel cartridge, using hexanes/ethyl acetate (70/30, v/v) to give the title product in a 71% yield. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.32 – 8.08 (m, 2H), 7.86 – 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.64 (t, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.08 (t, $J = 1.0$ Hz, 1H), 5.96 (s, 2H), 2.55 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 154.43, 152.14, 150.49, 142.64, 132.54, 128.59, 127.49, 121.97, 120.10, 118.82, 112.62, 107.15, 21.36, 13.51; MS ESI [$M + H$]⁺ = 288.1

4-(6-(2,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)benzaldehyde (47). A solution of DIBAL in hexane (1.0 M, 5.5 mL, 5.5 mmol) was added slowly to a solution of **46** (5 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL). The solution was stirred at room temp for 1 h and was then diluted with ethyl ether (20 mL). After careful addition of 1 N HCl (20 mL), the mixture was stirred for 15 min. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and evaporated. Chromatography on silica gel gave the title product **47** (51%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.10 (s, 1H), 8.33 – 8.16 (m, 2H), 8.04 – 7.91 (m, 2H), 7.68 (s, 1H), 7.07 (s, 1H), 5.96 (s, 2H), 2.54 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.02, 155.09, 152.08, 150.33, 144.08, 136.53, 130.12, 128.60, 127.53, 121.78, 120.33, 107.07, 21.34, 13.51; MS ESI [M + H]⁺ = 291.8

General procedure for reductive amination: Method D; To a stirred solution of benzaldehyde (1 mmol) in dichloromethane (10 mL), amine (1 mmol), acetic acid (1 mmol), and NaBH(OAc)₃ (1.1 mmol) were added, and the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. The organic materials were extracted with ethyl acetate and dried over anhydrous MgSO₄. After removal of the solvent under vacuum, the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on a silica gel cartridge to give the target compound.

N¹-(4-(6-(2,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)benzyl)-N¹,N²-dimethylethane-1,2-diamine (48). The title compound was prepared using General Method D from **47** and N¹,N²-dimethylethane-1,2-diamine. 62%; colorless gel; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.03 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (s, 1H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (s, 1H), 5.94 (s, 2H), 3.61 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.40 (dt, *J* = 39.9, 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.67 – 2.53 (m, 2H), 2.51 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.51, 155.75, 151.76, 149.82, 140.25, 137.37, 129.21, 128.62, 126.88, 120.61, 119.41, 106.75, 62.34, 54.92, 46.93, 42.56, 34.59, 28.47, 21.33, 13.50; MS ESI [M + H]⁺ = 363.0

N¹-(4-(6-Amino-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)benzyl)-N¹,N²-dimethylethane-1,2-diamine (30). The title compound was prepared using General Method B from **48**. 60%; colorless gel; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD) δ 7.98 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (t, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (d, *J* = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (s, 1H), 3.75 (s, 0H), 3.65 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 3H), 2.93 (s, 3H), 2.83 (s, 3H), 2.50 (d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, MeOD) δ 159.13, 156.41, 146.29, 134.90, 133.66, 133.42, 129.24, 114.58, 112.36, 60.83, 52.71, 44.41, 40.24, 33.95, 22.12; HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₇H₂₅N₄ [M + H]⁺, 285.2074; found, 285.2078.

6-(4-(((3-Fluorobenzyl)amino)methyl)phenyl)-4-methylpyridin-2-amine (31). The title compound was prepared using General Methods D and B from **47** and 3-fluorobenzylamine. 39%; pale yellow gel; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD) δ 7.95 (d, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 2H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (td, *J* = 8.0, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 7.43 – 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.16 (m, 1H), 7.07 (s, 1H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 4.38 (s, 2H), 4.35 (s, 2H), 2.42 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, MeOD) δ 162.88 (d, *J* = 246.4 Hz), 156.78, 154.79, 135.85, 133.66 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 133.11, 130.81 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 130.56, 130.48, 127.51, 125.75 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 116.62 (d, *J* = 22.3 Hz), 116.10 (d, *J* = 21.3 Hz), 112.48, 109.76, 50.35, 50.19, 20.36; HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₀H₂₁FN₃ [M + H]⁺, 322.1714; found, 322.1723.

N-(4-(6-(2,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)benzyl)-2-(3-fluorophenyl)ethan-1-amine (49) The title compound was prepared using General Method D from (3-fluorophenyl)ethylamine. 81%; white gel; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07 – 7.99 (m, 2H), 7.60 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.43 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.28 – 7.24 (m, 1H), 7.03 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.96 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 5.95 (s, 2H), 3.90 (s, 2H), 2.95 (dd, *J* = 7.5, 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.87 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 2.51 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.92 (d, *J* = 245.7 Hz), 156.34, 151.78, 149.86, 142.26 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz), 140.43, 137.52, 129.93 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 128.63, 128.59, 127.10, 124.42 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz), 120.71, 119.42, 115.56 (d, *J* = 20.9 Hz), 113.18 (d, *J* = 20.9 Hz), 106.78, 53.18, 49.83, 35.74, 21.33, 13.50; MS ESI [M + H]⁺ = 414.1

6-(4-(((3-Fluorophenethyl)amino)methyl)phenyl)-4-methylpyridin-2-amine (32). The title compound was prepared using General Method B from **50**. 60%; colorless gel; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD) δ 7.98 – 7.91 (m, 2H), 7.82 – 7.73 (m, 2H), 7.40 (td, *J* = 7.9, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (m, 2H), 7.08 – 7.01 (m, 1H), 6.86 (s, 1H), 4.39 (s, 2H), 3.37 (m, 2H), 3.18 – 3.05 (m, 2H), 2.49 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, MeOD) δ 164.49 (d, *J* = 245.3 Hz), 159.05, 156.46, 146.57, 140.46 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz), 135.64, 134.42, 132.21, 131.83 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 129.10, 125.74 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz), 116.61 (d, *J* = 21.8 Hz), 115.11 (d, *J* = 21.1 Hz), 114.43, 112.18, 51.74, 49.63, 32.91, 22.09; HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₁H₂₃FN₃ [M + H]⁺, 336.1871; found, 336.1876.

3-(3-Chlorophenyl)-N-(4-(6-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)benzyl)propan-1-amine (51). The title compound was prepared using General Method D from 3-(3-fluorophenyl)propylamine. 81%; white gel; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 – 7.98 (m, 2H), 7.62 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.46 – 7.39 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.15 (m, 3H), 7.08 (dt, *J* = 7.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.99 – 6.95 (m, 1H), 5.94 (s, 2H), 3.86 (s, 2H), 2.69 (dt, *J* = 12.8, 7.4 Hz, 4H), 2.51 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 6H), 1.95 – 1.78 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.45, 151.78, 149.83, 144.16, 141.41, 137.32, 134.05, 132.15, 132.07, 129.60, 128.63, 128.53, 128.48, 127.04, 126.62, 125.99, 120.65, 119.40, 106.76, 53.61, 48.61, 33.28, 31.44, 21.33, 13.50; MS ESI [M + H]⁺ = 444.1.

6-(4-(((3-(3-Chlorophenyl)propyl)amino)methyl)phenyl)-4-methylpyridin-2-amine (33). The title compound was prepared using General Method B from **51**. 70%; colorless gel; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD) δ 7.95 – 7.91 (m, 2H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.35 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.25 (dt, *J* = 8.4, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (s, 1H), 4.33 (s, 2H), 3.18 – 3.05 (m, 2H), 2.76 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 2.13 – 2.03 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, MeOD) δ 159.16, 156.38, 146.45, 144.00, 135.78, 132.20, 132.12, 131.24, 129.50, 129.12, 129.06, 127.95, 127.62, 114.45, 112.22, 51.63, 48.30, 33.16, 28.68, 22.10; HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₁H₂₅ClN₃ [M + H]⁺, 366.1732; found, 366.1737.

2-(5-((6-(2,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)ethynyl)pyridin-3-yl)acetonitrile (54). A reaction mixture of **52** (300 mg, 1.4 mmol), **53**, (320 mg, 1.6 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂ (45 mg, 0.070 mmol), CuI (11 mg, 0.070 mmol), PPh₃ (74 mg, 0.28 mmol), diethylamine (3 mL), and DMF (3 mL) was heated at 120 °C for 20 min in the microwave cavity. Then diethyl ether (50 mL) was added to the reaction mixture, which was filtered and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/hexanes) to give the title compound (342 mg, 75%) as a pale yellow oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.79 (s, 1H), 8.56 (s, 1H), 7.92 (s, 1H), 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.07 (s, 1H), 5.90 (s, 2H), 3.81 (s, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 2.16 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 152.42, 152.15, 150.14, 148.46, 141.63, 138.28, 128.54, 127.09, 125.88, 123.02, 119.88, 116.44, 107.06, 92.31, 84.58, 21.03, 20.97, 13.22; MS ESI [M + H]⁺ = 327.1.

2-(5-(2-(6-(2,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)ethyl)pyridin-3-yl)ethan-1-amine (55). A solution of **54** (300 mg, 0.92 mmol) in EtOH (10 mL) and MeOH (10 mL) was stirred with Raney-Ni (50% in water, 0.5 mL) for 1 h at room temperature under a hydrogen atmosphere. The reaction mixture was filtered through a PTFE membrane filter (diam. 25 mm, pore size 0.2 μm) and concentrated in *vacuo* to give the crude title compound (300 mg). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.30 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 8.31 – 8.26 (m, 2H), 5.90 (s, 2H), 3.09 (s, 3H), 2.95 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.71 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.12 (s, 5H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.09, 151.72, 149.69, 147.89, 147.82, 136.46, 136.43, 134.75, 128.43, 122.72, 120.33, 106.73, 43.22, 39.14, 37.01, 32.63, 20.99, 13.24; MS ESI [M + H]⁺ = 335.2.

2-(5-(2-(6-(2,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)ethyl)pyridin-3-yl)-N,N-dimethylethan-1-amine (56). Primary amine **55** (300 mg, ~ 0.9 mmol) and aqueous formaldehyde (10 mL) were dissolved in MeOH (10 mL) and CH₂Cl₂ (40 mL) and stirred for 30 min. After addition of NaBH(OAc)₃ (1.27g, 6.0 mmol), the reaction mixture was stirred for 20 h at room temperature. Then the reaction mixture was treated with CH₂Cl₂ (60 mL) and saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (50 mL). The organic layer was partitioned, dried with MgSO₄, and concentrated in *vacuo*. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH) to give the title compound (231 mg, 71%) as a pale yellow oil. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.17 (s, 1H), 8.14 (s, 1H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 6.78 (s, 1H), 6.75 (s, 1H), 5.77 (s, 2H), 3.01 – 2.88 (m, 4H), 2.68 – 2.55 (m, 2H), 2.40 – 2.34 (m, 2H), 2.25 (s, 3H), 2.17 (s, 6H), 1.99 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.14, 151.75, 149.62, 147.78, 147.68, 136.32, 136.21, 135.23, 128.43, 122.75, 120.30, 106.74, 60.99, 45.42, 39.23, 32.67, 31.29, 21.00, 13.27; MS ESI [M + H]⁺ = 363.2.

6-(2-(5-(2-(Dimethylamino)ethyl)pyridin-3-yl)ethyl)-4-methylpyridin-2-amine (34). The title compound was prepared using General Method B from **56**. 61%, pale yellow gel; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD) δ 8.88 (s, 1H), 8.83 (s, 1H), 8.80 (s, 1H), 6.76 (s, 1H), 6.72 (s, 1H), 3.62 (dd, *J* = 9.9, 6.4 Hz, 2H), 3.42 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 6.3 Hz, 2H), 3.36 – 3.33 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 6.3 Hz, 2H), 3.20 (dd, *J* = 9.6, 6.4 Hz, 2H), 3.04 (s, 6H), 2.40 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, MeOD) δ 159.09, 155.86, 149.20, 147.51, 147.26, 140.94, 138.48, 135.16, 115.04, 111.10, 62.82, 34.75, 33.80, 32.67, 30.18, 21.97; HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₇H₂₅N₄ [M + H]⁺, 285.2074; found, 285.2077.

2-((6-Chloropyridin-2-yl)methyl)-6-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridine (58). A solution of 2-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4,6-dimethylpyridine (400 mg, 2.0 mmol) in THF (20 mL) was treated with BuLi (1.0 M in hexanes, 2.1 mmol) in an ice bath. After 30 min of stirring, a solution of 2,6-dichloropyridine (148 mg, 1.0 mmol) in THF (10 mL) was added dropwise, and the mixture was heated to reflux for 1 h. After being cooled to room temperature the mixture was quenched with brine (50 mL) and CH₂Cl₂ (50 mL), the organic layer was separated, dried with MgSO₄, and concentrated in a vacuum. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography to give the title compound as a brown oil (48%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.59 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (s, 1H), 6.91 (s, 1H), 5.89 (s, 2H), 4.31 (s, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H), 2.10 (s, 7H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.22, 158.15, 151.62, 150.69, 150.08, 139.10, 128.48, 123.16, 122.39, 122.09, 120.54, 106.79, 46.31, 21.07, 13.26; MS ESI [M + H]⁺ = 312.1.

N¹-(6-((6-(2,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)methyl)pyridin-2-yl)-N²-dimethylethane-1,2-diamine (59). The title compound was prepared using General Method B from XII and N¹,N²-dimethylethane-1,2-diamine. 55%, brown gel; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38 (t, *J* = 8.5, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (s, 1H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 6.52 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 5.89 (s, 2H), 4.16 (s, 2H), 3.72 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 3.06 (s, 3H), 2.82 (t, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.12 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.99, 158.51, 157.33, 151.28,

149.31, 137.72, 128.49, 123.08, 120.04, 111.16, 106.60, 103.11, 49.94, 49.66, 47.05, 36.70, 36.54, 21.08, 13.23; MS ESI $[M + H]^+$ = 364.1.

***N*¹-(6-((6-Amino-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)methyl)pyridin-2-yl)-*N*²-dimethylethane-1,2-diamine (35).** The title compound was prepared using General Method C from **59**. 63%, pale yellow gel; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD) δ 7.68 (t, 1H), 6.82 (d, 1H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 2H), 4.00 (t, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 3.31 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 3.15 (s, 3H), 2.74 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, MeOD) δ 159.14, 155.82, 115.55, 113.57, 111.19, 34.24, 21.97. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₆H₂₄N₅ $[M + H]^+$, 286.2026; found, 286.2029

Methyl 3-((6-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)methyl)benzoate (61). Benzyl bromide (458 mg, 2.0 mmol) was added dropwise to a suspension of zinc dust (500 mg, 8.0 mmol) in dry THF. After being stirred for 15 min, the mixture was added to a solution of 2-bromo-6-(2,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridine (795 mg, 3.0 mmol) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (50 mg, 0.4 mmol) in THF (20 mL). After being stirred overnight the mixture was filtered using a short alumina column, and then concentrated under vacuum. Column chromatography gave the title product as a colorless oil (68%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.99 (s, 1H), 7.93 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 6.90 (s, 1H), 5.90 (s, 2H), 4.20 (s, 2H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.10, 159.94, 151.63, 150.00, 139.80, 133.84, 130.36, 130.18, 128.61, 128.51, 127.74, 122.60, 120.33, 106.79, 52.14, 43.98, 21.08, 13.24; ESI MS *m/z* (M+H)⁺ = 335.2.

3-((6-(2,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)methyl)benzaldehyde (62). A solution of DIBALH in hexane (1.0 M, 1.4 mL, 1.4 mmol) was added slowly to a solution of **61** (400 mg, 1.2 mmol) in toluene (10 mL) at -78 °C. The solution was stirred at the same temperature for 1 h and then diluted with ethyl ether (20 mL). After careful addition of 1 N HCl (5 mL) at room temperature, the mixture was stirred for 10 min. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and evaporated. Column chromatography with a silica gel cartridge gave title product **62** as a colorless oil (38%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.02 (s, 1H), 7.82 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (dt, *J* = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (dt, *J* = 7.7, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.23 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (s, 1H), 6.91 (s, 1H), 5.90 (s, 2H), 4.24 (s, 2H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.46, 159.59, 151.72, 150.22, 140.58, 136.64, 133.45, 130.11, 128.50, 128.18, 128.04, 122.69, 120.52, 106.85, 43.78, 21.10, 13.23; ESI MS *m/z* (M+H)⁺ = 305.1.

***N*¹-(3-((6-(2,5-Dimethyl-1H-pyrrol-1-yl)-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)methyl)benzyl)-*N*²-dimethylethane-1,2-diamine (63).** The title compound was prepared using General Method D from **62**. 55%; brown oil; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.28 – 7.23 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (s, 1H), 5.90 (s, 2H), 4.14 (s, 2H), 3.60 – 3.47 (m, 2H), 3.45 – 3.27 (m, 3H), 2.84 (s, 3H), 2.61 – 2.46 (m, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.25 (s, 4H), 2.12 (s, 6H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.73, 155.72, 151.48, 149.74, 139.43, 139.31, 129.64, 128.48, 127.83, 126.95, 122.59, 120.10, 106.69, 62.58, 54.94, 46.95, 44.23, 42.54, 34.56, 21.06, 13.25; ESI MS *m/z* (M+H)⁺ = 377.1.

***N*¹-(3-((6-Amino-4-methylpyridin-2-yl)methyl)benzyl)-*N*²-dimethylethane-1,2-diamine (36).** The title compound was prepared using General Method C from **63**. 75%; pale yellow gel; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD) δ 7.74 (s, 1H), 7.57 (s, 1H), 7.52 (s, 1H), 7.47 (s, 1H), 6.71 (s, 1H), 6.69 (s, 1H), 4.63 (d, *J* = 12.9 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (d, *J* = 12.7 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (s, 2H), 3.80 – 3.66 (m, 3H), 3.62 – 3.55 (m, 1H), 2.89 (s, 3H), 2.81 (s, 3H), 2.39 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, MeOD) δ 159.30, 156.15, 148.59, 138.79, 133.28, 132.09, 131.71, 131.14, 131.11, 115.70, 111.31, 61.48, 52.41, 44.42, 40.21, 39.17, 33.91, 22.04; HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₈H₂₇N₄ $[M + H]^+$, 299.2230; found, 299.2234.

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