

Supplementary Materials for

Light-Driven Deracemization Enabled by Excited-State Electron Transfer

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Materials and Methods

General Information

Commercial reagents were purified prior to use following the guidelines of Perrin and Armarego (30). Molecular sieves used in reaction development were purchased from Sigma Aldrich (sodium Y zeolite powder) and activated under vacuum at 200 °C for 48 hours prior to use. All solvents were purified according to the method of Grubbs (31). Organic solutions were concentrated under reduced pressure on a Büchi rotary evaporator. Thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on Silicycle 250 μ m silica gel plates. Visualization of the developed chromatogram was performed by irradiation with UV light, Seebach's stain, and potassium permanganate stain. Normal-phase flash chromatography was performed using a Biotage Isolera One purification system equipped with a 10, 25, 50, or 100 g SNAP Ultra (HP Sphere, 25 μ m silica) cartridge and an appropriate linear gradient in the mobile phase. Reverse-phase column chromatography was performed using a Biotage Isolera One purification system equipped with a 30, 60, or 120 g SNAP-C18 column and an appropriate MeOH/H₂O or MeCN/H₂O linear gradient in the mobile phase. Yields refer to purified compounds unless otherwise noted.

¹H, ¹³C and ³¹P NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker 500 (500, 126 and 203 MHz) instrument. Some ¹H and ¹³C spectra were recorded on an Agilent 600 (600 and 151 MHz) spectrometer. The chemical shifts are calibrated by internal standard tetramethylsilane (TMS) or residual solvent signals. Data for ¹H NMR are reported as follows: chemical shift (δ ppm), integration, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, p = pentet, sext = sextet, hept = septet, m = multiplet, brs = broad singlet), coupling constant (Hz) and assignment. Data for ¹³C NMR are reported in terms of chemical shift, and no special nomenclature is used for equivalent carbons. IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin Elmer Paragon 1000 spectrometer and are reported in terms of frequency of absorption (cm⁻¹). High-resolution mass spectra were obtained at Princeton University mass spectrometry facilities using an Agilent 6210 TOF LC/MS. Some samples for high-resolution mass spectrometry were submitted to the Mass Spectrometry Laboratory at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where the data was acquired on Waters Synapt G2-Si instrument equipped with an ESI detector. The enantiomeric ratio (er) was determined by High-Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC) performed on an Agilent 1260 Infinity Series LC using commercial ChiralPak/ChiralCel columns from Daicel Chemical Industries, notably ChiralPak AD-H (5 µm particle size, 4.6 mm vs. 250 mm), ChiralCel OZ-H (5 μm particle size, 4.6 mm vs. 250 mm), ChiralCel OD-H (5 μm particle size, 4.6 mm vs. 250 mm), and ChiralPak ID (5 µm particle size, 4.6 mm vs. 250 mm). Optical rotations were measured on a Jasco P-1010 polarimeter at the sodium D-line (589 nm) using a cell of 50 mm path length. The concentration values (c) are reported in g/100 mL. Cyclic voltammograms were acquired on a CH Instruments 600E potentiostat. Stern-Volmer experiments were conducted on an Agilent Cary Eclipse Fluorescence Spectrophotometer. Time-correlated single photon counting experiments were conducted on a Horiba DeltaFlex system. UV-Vis spectra were acquired on an Agilent 8453 UV-Visible spectrophotometer.

Abbreviation

Acpc	1-Aminocyclopropane-1-carboxylic acid
Aib	α-Aminoisobutyric acid
Boc	<i>t</i> -Butoxycarbonyl
CDCl ₃	Chloroform-d
DCM	Dichloromethane
EDC	N-(3-Dimethylaminopropyl)-N'-ethylcarbodiimide
EtOAc	Ethyl acetate
HATU	O-(7-Azabenzotriazol-1-yl)-N,N,N',N'-tetramethyluronium
	hexafluorophosphate
Hex	Hexanes
HOBt	1-Hydroxybenzotriazole
HPLC	High-performance liquid chromatography
HRMS	High-resolution mass spectrometry
IPA	Isopropyl alcohol
LCMS	Liquid chromatography mass spectrometry
rt	Room temperature
TFA	Trifluoroacetic acid, trifluoroacetate
THF	Tetrahydrofuran
TLC	Thin-layer chromatography

Synthesis of Chiral Phosphate



(S)-2,2'-bis(methoxymethoxy)-1,1'-binaphthalene (S1):



Sodium hydride (4.61 g, 115 mmol, 2.2 equiv) was added to a 1 L round bottom flask charged with dry THF (240 mL) under argon atmosphere. After cooling to 0 °C, a solution of (S)-[1,1'-binaphthalene]-2,2'-diol (15.0 g, 52.4 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in THF (80 mL) was added slowly. The reaction was stirred for 1 hour at 0 °C. Chloromethyl methyl ether (MOMCl) (8.75 mL, 115 mmol, 2.2 equiv) was added slowly. The reaction mixture was let warm to room

S1 temperature and react overnight for 12 hours. The reaction was then quenched with sat. NH₄Cl (aq), concentrated, and diluted with CH_2Cl_2 and water. The aqueous layer was then extracted with CH_2Cl_2 three times. The organic layers were combined, washed with brine, dried with Na₂SO₄, and concentrated. The crude solid was dissolved in minimal volume of CH_2Cl_2 and diethyl ether (~100 mL) then ~ 50 mL of hexanes was added. The mixture was allowed to sit at room temperature for 12 hours until colorless crystals formed. The solid was collected by vacuum filtration. Another round of recrystallization gave (*S*)-2,2'-bis(methoxymethoxy)-1,1'-binaphthalene (**S1**, 13.3 g, 35.5 mmol, 68% yield) as a white crystalline solid. The spectral data is consistent with the reported literature values (*32*).

(S)-3,3'-diiodo-2,2'-bis(methoxymethoxy)-1,1'-binaphthalene (S2):



To an oven dried 500 mL round bottom flask was added (S)-2,2'bis(methoxymethoxy)-1,1'-binaphthalene (6.69 g, 17.9 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and backfilled with argon three times. Then, THF (200 mL) was added. The solution was cooled to -78 °C, and *n*butyllithium (2.5 M in hexanes, 25.0 mL, 62.5 mmol, 3.5 equiv) was added dropwise. The reaction was then stirred for 8 hours at 0 °C. The reaction was then cooled to -78 °C, and a solution of iodine (16.8 g, 66.1 mmol, 3.7 equiv) in THF (100 mL) was added *via* cannula under argon atmosphere. The reaction

was allowed to warm to rt and stirred for 24 hours. The reaction was quenched with sat. Na₂S₂O₃ (aq.), extracted with EtOAc three times, washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The crude residue was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–5% EtOAc in hexanes) to afford (*S*)-3,3'-diiodo-2,2'-bis(methoxymethoxy)-1,1'-binaphthalene (**S2**, 7.07 g, 11.3 mmol, 63% yield) as a pale yellow crystalline solid. The spectral data is consistent with reported literature values (*32*).

(S)-3,3'-di(pyren-1-yl)-[1,1'-binaphthalene]-2,2'-diol (S3):



To a 25 mL round bottom flask were added (S)-3,3'-diiodo-2,2'bis(methoxymethoxy)-1,1'-binaphthalene (1.00 g, 1.60 mmol, 1.0 equiv), pyren-1-ylboronic acid (1.18 g, 4.79 mmol, 3.0 equiv), triphenylphosphine (0.017 g, 0.064 mmol, 4 mol%), palladium(II) acetate (7.2 mg, 0.032 mmol, 2 mol%), and potassium phosphate (0.678 g, 3.19 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and backfilled with argon three times. Degassed dioxane (4 mL) and water (1.3 mL) were added, and the reaction mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 20 hours. The reaction was filtered over a pad of silica and diluted with water and CH₂Cl₂. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ three times. The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The crude residue was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (0-40% CH₂Cl₂ in hexanes) to afford (S)-1,1'-(2,2'-bis(methoxymethoxy)-[1,1'binaphthalene]-3,3'-divl)dipyrene (991 mg) as a pale yellow foamy solid with impurities. The material was carried to the next step without further purification.

To a 50 mL round bottom flask were added crude (*S*)-1,1'-(2,2'-bis(methoxymethoxy)-[1,1'-binaphthalene]-3,3'-diyl)dipyrene (0.991 g, ~ 1.23 mmol, 1.0 equiv), concentrated hydrochloric acid (1.36 ml, 44.8 mmol, 35 equiv), and dioxane (12.8 ml). The reaction mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 24 hours. The reaction was then diluted with water and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 three times. The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The crude residue was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (10–40% CH_2Cl_2 in hexanes) to afford (*S*)-3,3'-di(pyren-1-yl)-[1,1'-binaphthalene]-2,2'-diol (**S3**, 639 mg, 0.930 mmol, 58% yield over two steps) as a pale yellow foamy solid. The spectral data is consistent with reported literature value (*33*).

(S)-4-hydroxy-2,6-di(pyren-1-yl)dinaphtho[2,1-d:1',2'-f][1,3,2]dioxaphosphepine 4-oxide (S4):



To a 50 mL round bottom flask were added (*S*)-3,3'-di(pyren-1-yl)-[1,1'binaphthalene]-2,2'-diol (**S3**, 0.639 g, 0.930 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and phosphorus oxychloride (0.260 ml, 2.79 mmol, 3.0 equiv) in pyridine (18.6 ml). The reaction was stirred at 100 °C for 18 hours, which was then cooled to rt followed by addition of 20 mL of water. The reaction was stirred at 105 °C for four additional hours, cooled to rt, and acidified with 3*N* HCl (aq). The reaction mixture was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 and washed with 3*N* HCl (aq) three times. The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The crude residue was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–5% MeOH in CH_2Cl_2). Appropriate fractions were combined, concentrated, washed with 3*N* HCl (aq) three times, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated to afford (*S*)-4-hydroxy-2,6-di(pyren-1yl)dinaphtho[2,1-d:1',2'-f][1,3,2]dioxaphosphepine 4-oxide (**S4**, 490 mg, 0.654 mmol, 70% yield) as a pale yellow foamy solid.

S4

¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, Acetone- d_6) δ 8.62–7.34 (m, 28H), 4.77 (s, 1H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 134.49, 134.25, 133.86, 133.47, 133.40, 132.65, 132.26, 132.07, 131.80, 130.24, 130.15, 130.03, 129.87, 129.70, 128.53, 128.47, 128.30, 128.22, 128.04, 127.98, 127.77, 127.20, 127.07, 126.62, 126.26, 126.23, 126.06, 126.03, 125.89, 125.47, 125.40, 125.33, 125.08, 124.95.

³¹**P** NMR (203 MHz, Acetone- d_6) δ 0.42, 0.40, 0.03.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3041, 2923, 1584, 1494, 1412, 1263, 1245, 1202, 1186, 1151, 1101, 1016, 998, 958, 892, 866, 843, 828, 818, 805, 775, 749, 718, 702, 683, 664.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{52}H_{30}O_4P^+$ requires 749.18762, observed 749.18761, difference 0.01 ppm.

 $[\alpha]_D^{21} = +418.9^\circ (c = 0.12, CH_2Cl_2)$

tetrabutylammonium (S)-2,6-di(pyren-1-yl)dinaphtho[2,1-d:1',2'-f][1,3,2]dioxaphosphepin-4-olate 4-oxide (3e):



2-dram То vial was added (S)-4-hydroxy-2,6-di(pyren-1a yl)dinaphtho[2,1-d:1',2'-f][1,3,2]dioxaphosphepine 4-oxide (S4, 740 mg, 0.989 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (2.0 mL). Tetrabutylammonium hydroxide (1M in MeOH, 969 µL, 0.969 mmol, 0.98 equiv) was added, and the reaction was stirred for 30 min at rt. The reaction solution was then concentrated and purified by reversed-phase column chromatography (C18, 0-100% MeOH/H₂O) afford to tetrabutylammonium (S)-2,6-di(pyren-1-yl)dinaphtho[2,1-d:1',2'f][1.3,2]dioxaphosphepin-4-olate 4-oxide (3e, 930 mg, 0.939 mmol, 95 % yield) as a pale yellow foamy solid.

¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 9.08–7.07 (m, 28H), 3.11–3.03 (m, 8H), 1.50–1.39 (m, 8H), 1.16–1.07 (m, 8H), 0.75 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 12H).

¹³**C NMR** (126 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 135.72, 133.93, 132.74, 132.32, 131.88, 131.80, 131.38, 130.34, 129.75, 129.21, 129.03, 128.51, 127.86, 127.77, 127.63, 126.79, 126.69, 126.66, 125.76, 125.54, 125.31, 125.14, 58.89, 24.17, 20.13, 13.75.

³¹**P** NMR (203 MHz, Acetone-*d*₆) δ 3.41.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3042, 2961, 2872, 1701, 1602, 1584, 1487, 1456, 1415, 1382, 1359, 1281, 1208, 1189, 1152, 1097, 1080, 1027, 1001, 980, 964, 892, 871, 846, 834, 818, 804, 774, 749, 696, 685, 663.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for [Anion+2H]⁺ C₅₂H₃₀O₄P⁺ requires 749.18762, observed 749.18890, difference 1.70 ppm. (m/z) for [Cation]⁺ C₁₆H₃₆N⁺ requires 242.28423, observed 242.28431, difference 0.33 ppm.

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{21} = +199.0^{\circ} (c = 0.28, CH_2Cl_2)$



30 220 210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -1 f1 (ppm)







Solution Phase Peptide Synthesis

A. Synthesis and characterization of catalyst 4e



Synthesis of Boc-Phg-NMe₂ (S5):



Boc-Phg-NMe₂ **S5** In a 250 mL round-bottomed flask equipped with a stir bar, Boc-Phg-OH (5.04 g, 20.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (37 mL, 0.3 M) and *i*Pr₂NEt (4.20 mL, 24.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was added. *N*,*N*'-dimethylamine solution (2.0 M in THF, 30.0 mL, 60.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv) was added, followed immediately by HATU (11.42 g, 30.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv). The flask was then sealed with a septum. The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at rt overnight. After 17 h, the reaction completion was assessed by LCMS, indicating 97% conversion. After 22 h, additional *N*,*N*'-dimethylamine solution (2.0 M in THF, 5 mL, 10.0 mmol, 0.5

equiv) was added, followed immediately by additional HATU (1.90 g, 5.0 mmol, 0.25 equiv). The reaction mixture was allowed to stir at rt overnight. After 24 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated partially *in vacuo* to ~30 mL, then transferred to a separatory funnel, diluted with EtOAc (200 mL), and washed with 10% (w/v) aqueous citric acid (3 x 200 mL), saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (1 x 200 mL) and brine (1 x 200 mL). The organic phases were then dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford a pale pink solid. The crude product was passed through a silica plug to remove polar impurities, eluting with 1:1 EtOAc/hexanes, then recrystallized from hot MTBE [dissolved in ~50 mL hot MTBE, cooled to rt, then slowly removed solvent *in vacuo* until crystallization began (~10 mL removed), then placed in a -20 °C freezer overnight]. The solids were filtered and washed with pentane to provide Boc-Phg-NMe₂ (**S5**) as a white powder (4.72 g, 85% yield).

¹**H NMR** (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40–7.27 (m, 5H), 6.03 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 5.55 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (s, 3H), 2.89 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.2, 155.2, 138.1, 129.1, 128.3, 127.9, 79.8, 55.3, 37.0, 36.1, 28.5.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) ν_{max} 3407, 2974, 1704, 1643, 1482, 1401, 1366, 1246, 1164, 1047, 1023, 968, 883, 842, 784, 763, 737, 714, 701, 628, 558, 495.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{15}H_{23}N_2O_3^+$ requires 279.1709, observed 279.1712. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +148.1^\circ (c = 1.00, \text{ MeOH})$

Synthesis of Boc-D-Phg-NMe2 (ent-S5):



Boc-D-Phg-NMe₂

ent-S5

Boc-D-Phg-NMe₂ (*ent*-S5) was synthesized utilizing the same procedure as Boc-Phg-NMe₂ (S5). The crude product was recrystallized from acetone/hexanes [dissolved in ~100 mL hot acetone/hexanes ~1:5, cooled to rt, then slowly removed acetone *in vacuo* until crystallization began, then placed in a -20 °C freezer overnight]. The crystals were filtered and washed with pentane to provide Boc-D-Phg-NMe₂ (*ent*-S5) as colorless needles (3.96 g, 71% yield). ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data were in accordance with Phg-NMe₂ (S5).

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{15}H_{23}N_2O_3^+$ requires 279.1709, observed 279.1715. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -149.7^\circ (c = 1.00, \text{MeOH})$

Synthesis of Boc-D-Pro-Acpc-OH (S6):



S6

Coupling: In a 250 mL round-bottomed flask equipped with a stir bar, Boc-H-Acpc-OMe•HCl (1.52 g, 10.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), Boc-D-Pro-OH (2.37 g, 11.0 mmol, 1.1 equiv) were dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (33 mL, 0.3 M), followed by addition of iPr_2NEt (3.90 mL, 22.0 mmol, 2.2 equiv). HATU (4.56 g, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 22 h. The reaction mixture was then transferred to a separatory funnel, diluted with EtOAc (200 mL), and washed with 10% (w/v) aqueous citric acid (2 x 150 mL),

saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (1 x 150 mL) and brine (1 x 150 mL). The organic phases were then dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford an oily, white solid. The crude product was purified by reversed-phase column chromatography (SNAP Ultra C18 120 g column; gradient = ramp 0–80% MeCN/H₂O over 15 CV, then 3 CV 80% MeCN; 60 mL/min flow rate; monitored $\lambda = 210$, 245 nm; 16 x 150 mm test tubes with 20 mL fractions). Fractions containing product were pooled and concentrated *in vacuo* to provide semi-pure Boc-D-Pro-Acpc-OMe as a foamy white solid, which was carried forward without additional purification.

Hydrolysis: In a 250 mL round-bottomed flask equipped with a stir bar, Boc-D-Pro-Acpc-OMe was dissolved in THF (33 mL, 0.3 M) then LiOH•H₂O (1.26 g, 30.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv) and H₂O (4.30 mL, 240.0 mmol, 24 equiv) were added. The flask was capped with a septum and purged with N₂. The reaction mixture was stirred at rt under N₂ for 22 h. The reaction mixture was then transferred to a separatory funnel, diluted with 3:1 CHCl₃:*i*PrOH (200 mL), and acidified with 1*N* HCl (200 mL). The layers were mixed, separated, then the aqueous layer was further extracted with 3:1 CHCl₃/*i*PrOH (2 x 100 mL). The organic phases were then dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford a foamy white solid. The crude product was purified by reversed-phase column chromatography (split into 2 x columns: SNAP Ultra C18 120 g column; gradient = 3 CV 0% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid, ramp 0–70% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid over 15 CV, then 3 CV 70% MeCN with 0.1% formic acid; 60 mL/min flow rate; monitored $\lambda = 210$, 245 nm; 16 x 150 mm test tubes with 20 mL fractions). Fractions containing product were pooled and concentrated *in vacuo* to provide Boc-D-Pro-Acpc-OH (**S6**) as a foamy white solid (1.35 g, 45% yield over 2 steps).

¹**H** NMR (600 MHz, methanol- d_4) (mixture of rotamers ~2:1, asterisks denote minor rotamer peaks) δ 4.17–4.09 (m, 1H), 3.57–3.49 (m, 1H), 3.42–3.35 (m, 1H), 2.30–2.12 (m, 1H), 2.12–1.91 (m, 2H), 1.91–1.79 (m, 1H), 1.58–1.47 (m, 2H), 1.45* (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 6H), 1.19–1.03 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, methanol-*d*₄) (mixture of rotamers) δ 177.0, 176.6, 175.9, 175.6, 156.4, 156.0, 81.4, 81.2, 61.7, 61.4, 48.3, 47.9, 34.0, 33.9, 32.2, 31.2, 28.7, 28.6, 25.2, 24.5, 18.0, 17.9, 17.5, 17.4.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3286, 2978, 1666, 1529, 1394, 1366, 1257, 1159, 1123, 1091, 1037, 1002, 922, 883, 852, 770, 546, 519. HRMS (ESI) (*m/z*) for [M+H]⁺C₁₄H₂₃N₂O₅⁺ requires 299.1607, observed 299.1618.

 $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +49.2^\circ (c = 1.00, \text{MeOH})$

Synthesis of Boc-L-Pro-Acpc-OH (ent-S6):



Boc-L-Pro-Acpc-OH (*ent*-S6) was synthesized utilizing the same procedure as Boc-D-Pro-Acpc-OH (S6) (1.58 g, 53% yield over 2 steps). ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data were in accordance with Boc-D-Pro-Acpc-OH (S6).

Boc-L-Pro-Acpc-OH ent-S6

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{14}H_{23}N_2O_5^+$ requires 299.1607, observed 299.1608.

 $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -53.9^\circ (c = 1.00, \text{MeOH})$

Synthesis of Boc-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe₂ (S7):



Boc-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe₂ **S7** **Deprotection:** In a 250 mL round-bottomed flask equipped with a stir bar, Boc-Phg-NMe₂ (**S5**, 1.45 g, 5.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was treated with HCl (4N in 1,4-dioxane, 13.0 mL, 10.0 equiv) and the reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at rt. The excess HCl was removed under a stream of N₂ and the reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* to give a white powder.

<u>Coupling</u>: The residue was dissolved in CH_2Cl_2 (26.0 mL, 0.2 M) and *i*Pr₂NEt (2.00 mL, 11.4 mmol, 2.2 equiv) was added. Boc-D-Pro-Acpc-OH (**S6**), 1.56 g, 5.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was added, followed by HATU (2.38 g, 6.2 mmol, 1.2

equiv), and the reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 20 h. The reaction mixture was then transferred to a separatory funnel, diluted with EtOAc (200 mL), and washed with 10% (w/v) aqueous citric acid (2 x 200 mL), saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (1 x 200 mL) and brine (1 x 200 mL). The organic phases were then dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford a foamy white solid. The crude product was purified by reversed-phase column chromatography (split into 2 x columns: SNAP Ultra C18 120 g column; gradient = ramp 0–80% MeCN/H₂O over 15 CV, then 3 CV 80% MeCN; 60 mL/min flow rate; monitored $\lambda = 210$, 245 nm; 16 x 150 mm test tubes with 20 mL fractions). Fractions containing product were pooled and concentrated *in vacuo* to provide Boc-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe₂ (S7) as a foamy white solid (1.69 g, 71% yield).

¹**H** NMR (600 MHz, methanol- d_4) (mixture of rotamers ~1:1) δ 8.03 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 0.5H), 7.88 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 0.5H), 7.43–7.27 (m, 5H), 5.79–5.73 (m, 1H), 4.14 (dd, J = 8.9, 3.9 Hz, 0.5H), 4.04 (dd, J = 8.5, 4.7 Hz, 0.5H), 3.57–3.47 (m, 1H), 3.44–3.36 (m, 1H), 2.98–2.92 (m, 6H), 2.38–2.29 (m, 0.5H), 2.27–2.12 (m, 1H), 2.05–1.83 (m, 2.5H), 1.52–1.44 (m, 1H), 1.42 (s, 4.5H), 1.37 (s, 4.5H), 1.13–1.07 (m, 0.5H), 1.03–0.95 (m, 1.5H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, methanol-*d*₄) (mixture of rotamers) δ 177.2, 176.9, 173.3, 173.2, 172.4, 172.3, 171.6, 171.5, 171.2, 171.2, 156.5, 155.8, 138.3, 137.6, 130.0, 129.9, 129.5, 129.4, 129.3, 129.0, 81.4, 62.0, 61.7, 56.4, 56.3, 55.8, 55.7, 48.2, 47.9, 37.3, 37.3, 36.3, 36.3, 35.5, 35.4, 35.4, 32.6, 31.4, 28.7, 28.6, 25.5, 24.7, 17.7, 17.5, 17.3, 16.9.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3285, 2975, 1642, 1494, 1454, 1396, 1365, 1305, 1257, 1160, 1120, 1090, 1033, 997, 949, 920, 852, 763, 698, 615, 536.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{24}H_{35}N_4O_5^+$ requires 459.2607, observed 459.2594.

 $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +173.1^\circ (c = 1.00, \text{CHCl}_3)$

Synthesis of Boc-L-Pro-Acpc-D-Phg-NMe₂ (ent-S7):



Boc-L-Pro-Acpc-D-Phg-NMe₂

ent-S7

Boc-L-Pro-Acpc-D-Phg-NMe₂ (*ent*-S7) was synthesized utilizing the same procedure as Boc-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe₂ (S7) (1.10 g, 66% yield). ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data were in accordance with Boc-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe₂ (S7).

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{24}H_{35}N_4O_5^+$ requires 459.2607, observed 459.2603.

 $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -164.0^\circ (c = 1.00, \text{CHCl}_3)$

Synthesis of (Boc-Cys-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe₂)₂ (S8):



Deprotection: In a 250 mL round-bottomed flask equipped with a stir bar, Boc-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe₂ (**S7**, 1.08 g, 2.36 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was treated with HCl (4N in 1,4-dioxane, 6.0 mL, 10.0 equiv) and the reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at rt. The excess HCl was removed under a stream of N₂ and the reaction mixture was concentrated *in vacuo* to give a foamy white solid.

[Boc-Cys-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe2]2

Coupling: The residue was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (12.0 mL,

0.2 M) and *i*Pr₂NEt (0.90 mL, 5.2 mmol, 2.2 equiv) was added. (Boc-Cys-OH)₂ (0.47 g, 1.06 mmol, 0.45 equiv) was added, followed by HATU (1.08 g, 2.8 mmol, 1.2 equiv), and the reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 20 h. The reaction mixture was transferred to a separatory funnel, diluted with EtOAc (200 mL), and washed with 10% (w/v) aqueous citric acid (2 x 200 mL), saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (1 x 200 mL) and brine (1 x 200 mL). The organic phases were then dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated *in vacuo* to afford a foamy white solid. The crude product was purified by reversed-phase column chromatography (split into 2 x columns: SNAP Ultra C18 120 g column; gradient = ramp 20–100% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid over 15 CV, then 3 CV 100% MeCN with 0.1% formic acid; 60 mL/min flow rate; monitored λ = 210, 245 nm; 16 x 150 mm test tubes with 20 mL fractions). Fractions containing product were pooled and concentrated *in vacuo* to provide (Boc-Cys-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe₂)₂ (**S8**) as a foamy white solid (0.933 g, 78% yield).

¹**H** NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.07 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.36–7.23 (m, 4H), 7.16 (s, 1H), 5.90 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (td, J = 8.8, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (dd, J = 8.3, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (app. t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.28 (dd, J = 13.3, 8.8 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (dd, J = 13.3, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 2.93 (s, 6H), 2.24–2.13 (m, 2H), 2.05–1.96 (m, 1H), 1.96–1.87 (m, 1H), 1.66 (ddd, J = 10.0, 7.7, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 1.39 (s, 9H), 1.34 (ddd, J = 10.0, 7.7, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.02 (ddd, J = 10.0, 7.7, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 0.88 (ddd, J = 10.0, 7.7, 4.2 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.3, 170.5, 170.3, 169.8, 155.8, 137.7, 129.0, 128.2, 128.1, 79.8, 61.1, 54.0, 52.6, 47.6, 40.6, 37.2, 36.4, 34.8, 28.5, 28.3, 25.5, 17.5, 17.4.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3293, 2976, 1633, 1496, 1441, 1408, 1366, 1303, 1248, 1161, 1044, 1018, 869, 698, 616, 540.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{54}H_{77}N_{10}O_{12}S_2^+$ requires 1121.5164, observed 1121.5209. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +80.4^\circ (c = 1.00, CHCl_3)$

Synthesis of (Boc-D-Cys-L-Pro-Acpc-D-Phg-NMe₂)₂ (ent-S8):



[Boc-D-Cys-L-Pro-Acpc-D-Phg-NMe₂]₂ ent-S8

(Boc-D-Cys-L-Pro-Acpc-D-Phg-NMe₂)₂ (*ent*-S8) was synthesized utilizing the same procedure as (Boc-Cys-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe₂)₂ (S8) (851 mg, 85% yield). ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data were in accordance with (Boc-Cys-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe₂)₂ (S8).

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+$ C₅₄H₇₇N₁₀O₁₂S₂⁺ requires 1121.5164, observed 1121.5175.

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = -76.8^{\circ} (c = 1.00, CHCl_3)$

Synthesis of Boc-Cys-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe2 (4e):



In a 20 mL scintillation vial equipped with a stir bar, (Boc-Cys-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe₂)₂ (**S8**, 685 mg, 0.61 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and tris(2-carboxyethyl)phosphine hydrochloride (TCEP•HCl, 350 mg, 1.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv) were added, then dissolved in 4:1 (v/v) MeOH:H₂O (3.0 mL, 0.2 M). The reaction mixture was stirred at rt for 3 h, then concentrated partially in vacuo to ~1 mL, which was then purified directly by reversed-phase column chromatography (SNAP Ultra C18 120 g column; gradient = ramp 20–100% MeCN/H₂O with 0.1% formic acid over 15 CV, then 3 CV 100% MeCN

with 0.1% formic acid; 60 mL/min flow rate; monitored $\lambda = 210, 245$ nm; 16 x 150 mm test tubes with 20 mL fractions). Fractions containing product were pooled and concentrated *in vacuo* to provide Boc-Cys-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe₂ (**4e**) as a foamy white solid (600 mg, 87% yield).

¹**H** NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.05 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.53–7.43 (m, 3H), 7.37–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.26 (m, 1H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 5.91 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 4.57 (td, J = 9.3, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (dd, J = 8.0, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (app. t, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.06 (dt, J = 13.3, 8.7 Hz, 1H), 2.94 (s, 6H), 2.68 (ddd, J = 13.3, 9.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.31–2.19 (m, 2H), 2.06–1.91 (m, 2H), 1.73–1.64 (m, 2H), 1.42 (s, 9H), 1.34 (ddd, J = 10.1, 7.8, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 1.05 (ddd, J = 10.1, 7.8, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 0.88 (ddd, J = 10.1, 7.7, 4.3 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.2, 170.5, 170.1, 169.8, 156.0, 137.7, 129.0, 128.2, 128.0, 79.8, 60.9, 55.5, 53.9, 47.5, 37.2, 36.4, 34.8, 28.5, 28.0, 26.1, 25.6, 17.6, 17.4.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) ν_{max} 3290, 2975, 1633, 1498, 1443, 1410, 1366, 1305, 1250, 1161, 1046, 1003, 868, 699, 616, 540.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{27}H_{40}N_5O_6S^+$ requires 562.2699, observed 562.2683. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +36.5^\circ (c = 1.00, \text{MeOH})$

Synthesis of Boc-D-Cys-L-Pro-Acpc-D-Phg-NMe2 (ent-4e):



ent-4e

Boc-D-Cys-L-Pro-Acpc-D-Phg-NMe2 (ent-4e) was synthesized utilizing the same procedure as Boc-Cys-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe₂ (4e) (525 mg, 83% yield). ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral data were in accordance with Boc-Cys-D-Pro-Acpc-Phg-NMe₂ (4e).

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{27}H_{40}N_5O_6S^+$ requires 562.2699, observed 562.2700.

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NHBOC H

P2

HRMS: (m/z) for [M+H]⁺ (C₂₇H₄₂N₅O₆S)

requires 564.2856, observed 564.2834

 $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -36.4^\circ (c = 1.00, \text{MeOH})$

B. HRMS Analysis of Peptide Catalysts 4a-4d and P1-P21



HRMS: (m/z) for $[M+H]^+$ (C₆₆H₈₃N₈O₁₄S₂) requires 1275.5470, observed 1275.5447



4b HRMS: (m/z) for [M+H]⁺ (C₆₈H₈₉N₁₀O₁₂S₂) requires 1301.60974, observed 1301.61018



4c HRMS: (m/z) for $[M+H]^+$ (C₃₄H₄₆N₅O₆S) requires 652.3169, observed 652.3141



HRMS: (m/z) for [M+H]⁺ (C₃₄H₄₆N₅O₆S) requires 652.3169, observed 652.3141



HRMS: (m/z) for $[M+H]^+$ (C₆₂H₉₃N₁₀O₁₂S₂) requires 1233.6416, observed 1233.6383



P1 HRMS: (m/z) for [M+H]⁺ (C₂₈H₄₂N₅O₆S) requires 576.2856, observed 576.2842



HRMS: (m/z) for [M+H]⁺ (C₂₇H₄₀N₅O₆S) requires 562.26902, observed 562.26902



P4 HRMS: (m/z) for $[M+H]^+$ $(C_{38}H_{53}N_6O_8S)$ requires 753.3646, observed 753.3646



P5 HRMS: (m/z) for $[M+H]^+$ $(C_{31}H_{48}N_5O_6S)$ requires 618.3325, observed 618.3297

Р3



 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{P7} \\ \text{HRMS: } (m/z) \text{ for } \left[\text{M+H}\right]^{*} (\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{46}\text{N}_5\text{O}_6\text{S}) \\ \text{requires } 628.3169, \text{ observed } 628.3158 \end{array}$



 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{P11} \\ \textbf{HRMS:} (m/z) \text{ for } \left[\textbf{M+H}\right]^{\star} (C_{32}H_{44}N_5O_6S) \\ \textbf{requires } 626.30068, \textbf{observed } 626.30098 \end{array}$



 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{P15} \\ \text{HRMS: (m/z) for } \left[\text{M+H}\right]^{+} (\text{C}_{47}\text{H}_{64}\text{N}_5\text{O}_6\text{S}) \\ \text{requires 826.4577, observed 826.4578} \end{array}$



 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{P8} \\ \text{HRMS:} (m/z) \text{ for } \left[\text{M}{+}\text{H}\right]^{+} (\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{44}\text{N}_5\text{O}_6\text{S}) \\ \text{requires 626.3012, observed 626.3008} \end{array}$

NHBOC H

P12

HRMS: (m/z) for [M+H]⁺ (C₂₈H₅₀N₅O₆S)

requires 584.34763, observed 584.34676

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NHBoc HI

P16

HRMS: (m/z) for $[M+H]^+$ (C₂₇H₄₈N₅O₆S)

requires 570.3325, observed 570.3308

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 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{P9} \\ \text{HRMS: (m/z) for } \left[\text{M+H}\right]^{*} (\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{45}\text{N}_6\text{O}_5\text{S}) \\ \text{requires } 625.3172 \text{, observed } 625.3159 \end{array}$



 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{P13} \\ \text{HRMS:} (m/z) \text{ for } \left[\text{M}+\text{H}\right]^{*} (\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{48}\text{N}_5\text{O}_6\text{S}) \\ \text{requires 582.33198, observed 582.33200} \end{array}$



 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{P17} \\ \text{HRMS: (m/z) for } \left[\text{M+H}\right]^{*} (\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{46}\text{N}_5\text{O}_6\text{S}) \\ \text{requires 568.3169, observed 568.3170} \end{array}$



 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{P10} \\ \textbf{HRMS:} (m/z) \text{ for } \left[\textbf{M+H}\right]^{\star} (C_{32}H_{46}N_5O_6S) \\ \textbf{requires } 628.31633, \textbf{observed } 628.31546 \end{array}$



 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{P14} \\ \text{HRMS:} (m/z) \text{ for } \left[\text{M}{+}\text{H}\right]^{*} (\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{39}\text{N}_4\text{O}_4\text{S}) \\ \text{requires 515.26865, observed 515.26871} \end{array}$



 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{P18} \\ \text{HRMS: (m/z) for } \left[\text{M+H}\right]^{+} (\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{51}\text{N}_{6}\text{O}_{7}\text{S}) \\ \text{requires 663.3540, observed 663.3530} \end{array}$



 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{P19} \\ \text{HRMS: (m/z) for } \left[\text{M+H}\right]^{+} (\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{51}\text{N}_{6}\text{O}_{7}\text{S}) \\ \text{requires 663.3540, observed 663.3525} \end{array}$



 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{P20} \\ \text{HRMS: (m/z) for } \left[\text{M+H}\right]^{+} (\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{42}\text{N}_5\text{O}_6\text{S}) \\ \text{requires 564.2856, observed 564.2841} \end{array}$



 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{P21} \\ \text{HRMS: (m/z) for } \left[\text{M+H}\right]^{+} (\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{40}\text{N}_5\text{O}_6\text{S}) \\ \text{requires 562.2699, observed 562.2697} \end{array}$

C. ¹H and ¹³C NMR Spectra (Next Page)













Synthesis of Substrates



General procedure A:

This procedure was adapted and modified from previous reports (34–35).

To a 1 L round bottom flask were added the corresponding aldehyde (100 mmol, 1.0 equiv), 3bromoaniline (11.4 mL, 105 mmol, 1.05 equiv), and MgSO₄ (~2.0 g) in CH₂Cl₂ (333 ml). The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 minutes at room temperature, followed by addition of trimethylsilyl cyanide (14.1 mL, 105 mmol, 1.05 equiv). The reaction was stirred for additional 30 hours at room temperature. Then, 6 N NaOH (aq) was added until the solution reaches pH of 13.5. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ three times. The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The resulting crude mixture was carried to the next step without further purification.

To an oven dried 1 L round bottom flask was added the crude starting material from the previous step in tetrahydrofuran (333 mL). The reaction vessel was evacuated and backfilled with argon three times. After the reaction was cooled down to 0 °C, borane tetrahydrofuran complex (1 M in THF, 200 mL, 200 mmol, 2.0 equiv) was added dropwise *via* cannula under an argon atmosphere, and the reaction was stirred for 17 hours as it warmed up to room temperature. Then, the reaction was quenched with water at 0 °C, and tetrahydrofuran was evaporated *in vacuo*. To the residual slurry of reaction mixture, 400 mL of 6 *N* HCl (aq) was added. The reaction was then stirred for 4 hours at 90 °C. Upon cooling to 0 °C, the reaction was neutralized with solid sodium hydroxide pellets, extracted with CH_2Cl_2 for three times, and concentrated. The crude oil was carried to the next step without further purification.

To a 1 L round bottom flask were added the crude starting material and carbonyldiimidazole (CDI, 21.1 g, 130 mmol, 1.3 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (333 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred for 24 hours at room temperature. Then, the reaction was diluted with CH_2Cl_2 , washed with 1N HCl (aq) three times, washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The crude oil was dissolved in minimal volume of hot ethyl acetate and slowly cooled down to -20 °C over 12 hours. The precipitate was isolated by vacuum filtration, and the filtrate was recrystallized with hot ethyl acetate again. Two rounds of recrystallization afforded the desired imidazolidinone product.



General procedure B:

The procedure was adapted and modified from a previous report (36).

To a 250 mL round bottom flask was added the corresponding imidazolidinone starting material (20.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) in tetrahydrofuran (67 mL). The reaction was cooled to 0 °C, followed by addition of sodium hydride (60% dispersion in mineral oil, 1.20 g, 30.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv) and 30 minutes of stirring. Then, the corresponding alkyl halide (24.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv) was added, and the reaction mixture was allowed to warm up to room temperature as it was stirred for 12 hours. Then, the reaction was quenched with water at 0 °C and diluted with ethyl acetate. The aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate twice. The combined organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated. The crude product was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography or carried to the next step without further purification.



General procedure C:

The procedure was adapted and modified from a previous report. (37)

To a 250 mL round bottom flask were added the corresponding bromide starting material (20.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), tris(dibenzylideneacetone)dipalladium(0) (458 mg, 0.50 mmol, 2.5 mol%), 2-dicyclohexylphosphino-2',6'-diisopropoxybiphenyl (RuPhos, 527 mg, 1.00 mmol, 5 mol%), and lithium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide (10.0 g, 60.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv). The reaction vessel was evacuated and backfilled with argon three times, followed by addition of toluene (50 mL) and *tert*-butyl acetate (5.36 mL, 40.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv). The reaction was stirred at room temperature under argon atmosphere for 24 hours. Then, the crude reaction was quenched with sat. NH₄Cl (aq), washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated to afford the crude ester product, which was then purified by silica gel flash column chromatography or carried to the next step without further purification.



General procedure D:

The corresponding ester product (20.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in water (25 mL) and methanol (25 mL), where lithium hydroxide (4.79 g, 200 mmol, 10 equiv) was added. The reaction was stirred for 24 hours at room temperature. Under reduced pressure, methanol was evaporated, leaving a slurry of crude reaction mixture with water. The aqueous mixture was then washed with CH_2Cl_2 twice, acidified with 3N HCl (aq), and extracted with CH_2Cl_2 three times. The combined organic layer was then dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated to afford the desired carboxylic acid product, which was carried to the next step without further purification.



General procedure E:

The corresponding ester product (20 mmol, 1.0 equiv) was dissolved in trifluoroacetic acid (13 mL) and CH_2Cl_2 (53 mL). The reaction was stirred for 20 hours at room temperature, then diluted with water. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 three times. The combined organic layer was then dried over MgSO₄ and concentrated to afford the desired carboxylic acid product, which was carried to the next step without further purification.



General procedure F:

To a 250 mL round bottom flask were added the corresponding carboxylic acid starting material (20.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), *N*-(3-Dimethylaminopropyl)-*N*'-ethylcarbodiimide hydrochloride (5.74 g, 30.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv), 1-hydroxybenzotriazole (4.60 g, 30.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv), corresponding amine (24.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv), and *N*,*N*-diisopropylethylamine (10.5 mL, 60.0 mmol, 3.0 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (67 mL). The reaction was stirred for 24 hours at room temperature, then washed with 10% citric acid (aq), sat. NaHCO₃ (aq), and brine. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, concentrated, and purified by silica gel flash column chromatography to afford the desired amide product.



1-(3-bromophenyl)-5-isopropylimidazolidin-2-one (S9):



The title imidazolidinone was synthesized following the general procedure A described above with isobutyraldehyde (9.13 mL, 100 mmol). Two rounds of recrystallization afforded 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5-isopropylimidazolidin-2-one (**S9**, 11.45 g, 40.4 mmol, 40 % yield over three steps) as a white crystalline solid.

S9

¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63–7.58 (m, 1H), 7.40–7.33 (m, 1H), 7.26–7.14 (m, 2H), 4.80 (s, 1H), 4.36 (ddd, *J* = 9.5, 5.6, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.53 (td, *J* = 9.3,

1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.34 (ddd, *J* = 8.9, 5.5, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 2.22–2.10 (m, 1H), 0.91 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.82 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.6, 139.8, 130.3, 127.1, 124.8, 122.7, 120.6, 60.5, 38.0, 27.7, 18.0, 14.4.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3250, 3111, 2960, 1702, 1590, 1565, 1479, 1407, 1389, 1372, 1320, 1254, 1152, 1116, 1072, 1023, 993, 973, 869, 774, 711, 683.

MS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{12}H_{16}BrN_2O^+$ requires 283.0, observed 283.0.

2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-N-methylacetamide (2a):



The intermediate 3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-isopropyl-1methylimidazolidin-2-one was synthesized following the general procedure B described above with 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5isopropylimidazolidin-2-one (**S9**, 5.32 g, 18.8 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and methyl iodide (1.41 mL, 22.6 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The resultant orange solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The intermediate 2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetic acid was synthesized following the general procedures C and D described above with the crude product from the previous step. The crude white solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The title amide was synthesized following the general procedure F with methylamine hydrochloride (12.7 g, 188 mmol, 10 equiv). Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–5% MeOH in CH₂Cl₂) afforded 2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-*N*-methylacetamide (**2a**, 2.50 g, 8.64 mmol, 46% yield over four steps) as pale yellow oil.

¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.04 – 6.86 (m, 1H), 5.50 (s, 1H), 4.26 (ddd, J = 9.5, 5.6, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.56 (s, 2H), 3.43 (t, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 3.22 (dd, J = 9.0, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.74 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 3H), 2.21 – 2.11 (m, 1H), 0.90 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.76 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.6, 158.6, 139.6, 135.7, 129.6, 124.8, 122.9, 120.5, 57.4, 45.0, 44.0, 31.0, 27.5, 26.7, 18.1, 14.4.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3302, 2959, 1674, 1604, 1556, 1494, 1435, 1404, 1383, 1326, 1269, 1161, 1112, 770, 694.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{16}H_{24}N_3O_2^+$ requires 290.18630, observed 290.18652, difference 0.76 ppm.



1-(3-bromophenyl)-5-ethylimidazolidin-2-one (S10):



The title imidazolidinone was synthesized following the general procedure A described above with propionaldehyde (1.43 mL, 20.0 mmol). Two rounds of recrystallization afforded 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5-ethylimidazolidin-2-one (S10, 1.05 g, 3.92 mmol, 19% yield over three steps) as a white crystalline solid.

S10

¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.64 – 7.60 (m, 1H), 7.45 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.25 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 4.74 (s, 1H), 4.37 - 4.25 (m, 1H), 3.68 (td, J = 8.8, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (dd, J = 8.6, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 1.83 - 1.69 (m, 1H), 1.69 - 1.58 (m, 1H), 0.90 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.4, 139.9, 130.3, 126.9, 124.2, 122.7, 119.9, 57.2, 42.6, 24.9, 8.4.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3254, 2965, 1705, 1591, 1480, 1432, 1314, 1250, 1150, 774, 683. **MS** (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{11}H_{14}BrN_2O^+$ requires 269.0, observed 269.0.

2-(3-(5-ethyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-N-methylacetamide (2b):



The intermediate 3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-ethyl-1-methylimidazolidin-2-one was synthesized following the general procedure B described above with 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5-ethylimidazolidin-2-one (S10, 1.05 g, 3.92 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and methyl iodide (0.29 ml, 4.70 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The resultant pale yellow oil was carried to the next step without further purification.

The intermediate 2-(3-(5-ethyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetic acid was synthesized following the general procedures C and D described above with the crude product from the previous step. The crude pale-yellow solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The title amide was synthesized following the general procedure F with methylamine hydrochloride (2.65 g, 39.2 mmol, 10 equiv). Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–10% MeOH in CH₂Cl₂) afforded 2-(3-(5-ethyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin1-yl)phenyl)-N-methylacetamide (2b, 539 mg, 1.96 mmol, 50% yield over four steps) as a pale yellow oil.

¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.00 – 6.92 (m, 1H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 4.19 (tdd, J = 8.6, 5.5, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.62 – 3.53 (m, 3H), 3.16 (dd, J = 8.7, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (s, 3H), 2.74 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 3H), 1.81 – 1.69 (m, 1H), 1.63 – 1.50 (m, 1H), 0.88 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.6, 158.5, 139.7, 135.7, 129.6, 129.6, 124.6, 122.2, 119.8, 54.1, 49.6, 44.0, 31.2, 26.7, 25.0, 8.5.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3304, 2932, 2360, 1690, 1654, 1604, 1585, 1554, 1493, 1435, 1404, 1376, 1325, 1271, 1161, 1108, 844, 755, 696.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{15}H_{22}N_3O_2^+$ requires 276.17065, observed 276.17023, difference 1.52 ppm.



3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-(tert-butyl)-1-methylimidazolidin-2-one (S12):



The intermediate 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5-(tert-butyl)imidazolidin-2-one (S11) was synthesized following the general procedure A described above with 2,2-dimethylpropanal (2.72 mL, 25.0 mmol). Instead of recrystallization, the crude product was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–60% EtOAc in hexanes) to afford 789 mg of the desired intermediate S11 with minor impurities, which was then carried to the next step without further purification.

The title compound was synthesized following the general procedure B described above with the obtained intermediate **S11** and methyl iodide (0.21 mL, 3.3 mmol). Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–40% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded 3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-(tert-butyl)-1-methylimidazolidin-2-one (**S12**, 0.497 g, 1.67 mmol, 7% yield over four steps) as pale yellow solid.

¹**H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃)** δ 7.56 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (ddd, *J* = 8.0, 2.1, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 4.07 (dd, *J* = 9.6, 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (t, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (dd, *J* = 9.3, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (s, 3H), 0.81 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.90, 142.80, 130.02, 127.62, 127.04, 122.88, 122.27, 61.88, 47.22, 36.52, 30.93, 26.25.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 2960.18, 1700.08, 1590.42, 1565.91, 1497.84, 1479.54, 1429.75, 1402.82, 1366.76, 1286.40, 1253.19, 1213.09, 1121.45, 994.26, 862.74, 774.45, 739.41, 685.12. **MS** (ESI) (*m*/*z*) for [M+H]⁺ C₁₄H₂₀BrN₂O⁺ requires 311.1, observed 311.1.

2-(3-(5-(tert-butyl)-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-N-methylacetamide (2c):



The intermediate tert-butyl 2-(3-(5-(tert-butyl)-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetate (S13) was synthesized following the general procedure C described above with 3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-(tert-butyl)-1-methylimidazolidin-2-one (S12, 0.490 g, 1.57 mmol) as the starting material. Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–50% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded a mixture of the desired intermediate S13 with impurities, which was then carried to the next step without further purification.

The title amide was synthesized following the general procedure E and F with methylamine hydrochloride (1.06 g, 15.7 mmol, 10 equiv). Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–80% acetone in hexanes) afforded 2-(3-(5-(tert-butyl)-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-N-methylacetamide (**2c**, 167 mg, 0.55 mmol, 35% yield over three steps) as pale yellow foamy solid.

¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ¹H NMR (500 MHz, MeOD) δ 7.38 – 7.21 (m, 3H), 7.11 (dt, *J* = 7.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (dd, *J* = 9.8, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 3.59 (t, *J* = 9.7 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (s, 2H), 3.39 (dd, *J* = 9.6, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (s, 3H), 2.71 (s, 3H), 0.80 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.55, 159.41, 142.02, 135.46, 129.57, 125.93, 125.57, 123.46, 61.96, 47.35, 43.86, 36.42, 30.98, 26.68, 26.24.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3303.95, 2956.94, 1688.38, 1654.74, 1604.55, 1557.54, 1490.97, 1436.99, 1405.67, 1367.75, 1336.15, 1266.09, 1214.69, 1116.26, 755.87, 693.00.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{17}H_{26}N_3O_2^+$ requires 304.20195, observed 304.20242, difference 1.55 ppm.



1-(3-bromophenyl)-5-cyclohexylimidazolidin-2-one (S14):



The title imidazolidinone was synthesized following the general procedure A described above with cyclohexanecarboxaldehyde (2.42 ml, 20.0 mmol). Two rounds of recrystallization afforded 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5-cyclohexylimidazolidin-2-one (**S14**, 1.61 g, 5.00 mmol, 25% yield over three steps) as a white crystalline solid.

S14 ¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.68 – 7.60 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.34 (m, 1H), 7.27 – 7.20 (m, 2H), 4.84 (s, 1H), 4.33 (ddd, *J* = 9.3, 5.1, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.60 – 3.47 (m, 1H), 3.41 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 1.87 – 1.50 (m, 6H), 1.32 – 0.95 (m, 5H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.7, 140.0, 130.2, 127.0, 124.8, 122.7, 120.4, 60.3, 39.2, 38.2, 28.7, 26.5, 26.2, 25.7, 25.1.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3228, 3109, 2927, 2852, 2360, 1699, 1591, 1566, 1480, 1445, 1408, 1345, 1314, 1253, 1148, 1071, 993, 975, 862, 775, 756, 737, 682.

MS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{15}H_{20}BrN_2O^+$ requires 323.1, observed 323.1.

tert-butyl 2-(3-(5-cyclohexyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetate (S15):



The intermediate 3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-cyclohexyl-1methylimidazolidin-2-one was synthesized following the general procedure B described above with 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5cyclohexylimidazolidin-2-one (**S14**, 1.61 g, 5.00 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and methyl iodide (0.37 ml, 6.00 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The resultant white solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The title ester was synthesized following the general procedure C described above with the crude product from the previous step. Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–50% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded *tert*-butyl 2-(3-(5-cyclohexyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetate (**S15**, 1.15 g, 3.10 mmol, 62% yield over two steps) as a brown oil.

¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 – 7.25 (m, 3H), 7.01 – 6.96 (m, 1H), 4.19 (ddd, *J* = 9.2, 5.2, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (s, 2H), 3.41 (t, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (s, 3H), 1.83 – 0.86 (m, 11H), 1.42 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.0, 158.7, 139.22, 135., 129.0, 124.5, 122.3, 120.3, 57.3, 46.2, 43.0, 38.1, 31.1, 28.7, 28.2, 26.6, 26.3, 25.7, 25.0.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 2926, 2853, 1705, 1604, 1587, 1494, 1449, 1432, 1402, 1367, 1264, 1142, 1032, 952, 839, 773, 753, 694.

MS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{22}H_{33}N_2O_3^+$ requires 373.2, observed 373.2.

2-(3-(5-cyclohexyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-N-methylacetamide (2d):



The intermediate 2-(3-(5-cyclohexyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetic acid was synthesized following the general procedure E described above with *tert*-butyl 2-(3-(5-cyclohexyl-3methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetate (**S15**, 1.15 g, 3.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The crude pale orange solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The title amide was synthesized following the general procedure F with methylamine hydrochloride (2.10 g, 31.0 mmol, 10 equiv). Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–70% acetone in hexanes) afforded 2-(3-(5-cyclohexyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-*N*-methylacetamide (**2d**, 683 mg, 2.08 mmol, 67% yield over two steps) as a pale yellow foamy solid.

¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 6.99 – 6.92 (m, 1H), 5.46 (s, 1H), 4.20 (ddd, J = 9.4, 5.4, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (s, 2H), 3.43 (t, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (dd, J = 9.0, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (s, 3H), 2.74 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 3H), 1.80 – 1.62 (m, 4H), 1.59 – 1.48 (m, 2H), 1.23 – 0.88 (m, 5H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.6, 158.6, 139.8, 135.6, 129.7, 124.7, 122.7, 120.3, 57.1, 46.2, 44.1, 38.1, 31.0, 28.7, 26.7, 26.5, 26.3, 25.7, 25.1.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3306, 2925, 2853, 1690, 1654, 1604, 1585, 1553, 1493, 1439, 1404, 1368, 1326, 1269, 1164, 1114, 844, 752, 696.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{19}H_{28}N_3O_2^+$ requires 330.21760, observed 330.21825, difference 1.97 ppm.



1-(3-bromophenyl)-5-(tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-4-yl)imidazolidin-2-one (S16):



The title imidazolidinone was synthesized following the general procedure A described above with tetrahydropyran-4-carbaldehyde (2.85 g, 25.0 mmol). Two rounds of recrystallization afforded 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5-(tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-yl)imidazolidin-2-one (**S16**, 1.19 g, 3.66 mmol, 15% yield over three steps) as grey solid.

¹**H** NMR ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 (t, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (dt, J = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 4.64 (s, 1H), 4.37 (dt, J = 9.1, 4.4

Hz, 1H), 3.98 (td, *J* = 13.1, 12.1, 4.3 Hz, 2H), 3.60 (td, *J* = 9.2, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.33 (td, *J* = 11.2, 3.5 Hz, 1H), 3.21 (td, *J* = 11.7, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.12 – 1.96 (m, 1H), 1.51 – 1.35 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDl₃) δ 159.30, 139.70, 130.41, 127.27, 124.63, 122.85, 120.35, 67.71, 67.65, 59.40, 39.12, 35.85, 28.32, 25.32.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) ν_{max} 3287.38, 2933.12, 2845.67, 1700.83, 1590.61, 1565.33, 1479.34, 1427.35, 1359.70, 1317.25, 1253.58, 1237.76, 1139.05, 1087.71, 1014.76, 993.37, 983.96, 854.33, 823.27, 775.71, 758.19, 706.23, 683.39.

MS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{14}H_{18}BrN_2O_2^+$ requires 325.1, observed 325.1.

3-(3-bromophenyl)-1-methyl-4-(tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-4-yl)imidazolidin-2-one (S17):



The title compound was synthesized following the general procedure B described above with 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5-(tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-4-yl)imidazolidin-2-one (**S16**, 0.950 g, 3.35 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and methyl iodide (0.25 ml, 4.03 mmol, 1.2 equiv). Purification with silica gel flash column chromatography (0–70% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded 3-(3-bromophenyl)-1-methyl-4-(tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-4-yl)imidazolidin-2-one (**S17**, 0.774 g, 2.28 mmol, 68%) as a white solid.

¹**H NMR** ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.67 – 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.35 (m, 1H), 7.24 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 4.24 (dt, *J* = 9.1, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 4.06 – 3.89 (m, 2H), 3.48 (t, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 3.38 – 3.28 (m, 2H), 3.28 – 3.15 (m, 1H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.12 – 1.99 (m, 1H), 1.49 – 1.31 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.80, 140.19, 130.17, 126.48, 123.77, 122.66, 119.41, 67.57, 67.52, 56.12, 45.74, 35.44, 30.84, 28.17, 25.04.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) ν_{max} 2952.60, 2927.75, 2847.25, 1686.63, 1593.22, 1566.50, 1497.56, 1482.48, 1438.81, 1427.21, 1400.84, 1387.88, 1372.24, 1356.50, 1336.74, 1318.35, 1291.79, 1270.58, 1257.17, 1235.18, 1211.82, 1141.41, 1108.95, 1088.44, 1071.80, 1008.46, 992.94, 916.77, 885.64, 865.26, 851.43, 803.65, 767.29, 751.72, 723.58, 683.39.

MS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{15}H_{20}BrN_2O_2^+$ requires 339.1, observed 339.1.

N-methyl-2-(3-(3-methyl-2-oxo-5-(tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-4-yl)imidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetamide (2e):



The intermediate tert-butyl 2-(3-(3-methyl-2-oxo-5-(tetrahydro-2H-pyran-4-yl)imidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetate (S18) was synthesized following the general procedure C described above with 3-(3-bromophenyl)-1-methyl-4-(tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-4yl)imidazolidin-2-one (S17, 0.770 g, 2.27 mmol) as the starting material. Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–70% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded a mixture of the desired intermediate S13 with impurities, which was then carried to the next

step without further purification.

The title amide was synthesized following the general procedure E and F with methylamine hydrochloride (1.53 g, 22.7 mmol, 10 equiv). Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–80% acetone in hexanes) afforded *N*-methyl-2-(3-(3-methyl-2-oxo-5-(tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-4-yl)imidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetamide (**2e**, 303 mg, 0.914 mmol, 40% yield over three steps) as pale yellow solid.

¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.44 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.04 – 6.92 (m, 1H), 5.47 (s, 1H), 4.27 (dt, *J* = 9.3, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 4.04 – 3.88 (m, 2H), 3.57 (s, 2H), 3.48 (t, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 3.38 – 3.26 (m, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 2H), 3.26 – 3.12 (m, 1H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.75 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 3H), 2.05 (ddq, *J* = 15.7, 9.9, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 1.49 – 1.28 (m, 4H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.49, 158.46, 139.53, 135.85, 129.76, 124.95, 122.57, 120.27, 67.73, 67.71, 56.37, 46.08, 44.01, 35.74, 31.03, 28.34, 26.71, 25.32

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) ν_{max} 3305.65, 2937.65, 2850.32, 1687.86, 1653.93, 1604.42, 1585.64, 1556.68, 1493.97, 1438.00, 1405.96, 1390.33, 1370.86, 1324.91, 1276.31, 1239.36, 1145.87, 1099.88, 1011.18, 984.76, 917.99, 852.85, 752.94, 692.79.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{18}H_{26}N_3O_3^+$ requires 332.19687, observed 332.19672, difference 0.45 ppm.



2-(3-(5-isopropyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-N-methylacetamide (2f):



The intermediate 2-(3-(5-isopropyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetic acid was synthesized following the general procedures C and D described above with 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5-isopropylimidazolidin-2-one (**S9**, 1.00 g, 3.53 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The crude pale yellow foamy solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The title amide was synthesized following the general procedure F with methylamine hydrochloride (2.38 g, 35.3 mmol, 10 equiv). Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (20–100% acetone in hexanes) afforded 2-(3-(5-isopropyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-N-methylacetamide (**2f**, 155 mg, 0.56 mmol, 16% yield over three steps) as a pale yellow foamy solid.

¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.39 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 7.05 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 5.48 (s, 1H), 4.75 (s, 1H), 4.40 (ddd, J = 9.6, 5.8, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (s, 2H), 3.55 – 3.51 (m, 1H), 3.35 (ddd, J = 9.0, 5.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 2.75 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 3H), 2.22 – 2.07 (m, 1H), 0.90 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.82 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.5, 160.0, 139.0, 135.8, 129.7, 125.4, 123.4, 121.3, 60.6, 44.0, 38.1, 27.8, 26.7, 18.0, 14.5.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3291, 2960, 1695, 1651, 1604, 1560, 1492, 1433, 1390, 1323, 1257, 1152, 734, 696.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{15}H_{22}N_3O_2^+$ requires 276.17065, observed 276.17057, difference 0.29 ppm.


1-benzyl-3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-isopropylimidazolidin-2-one (S19):



The title compound was synthesized following the general procedure B described above with 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5-isopropylimidazolidin-2-one (**S9**, 1.50 g, 5.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and benzyl bromide (0.76 ml, 6.36 mmol, 1.2 equiv). Purification with silica gel flash column chromatography (0– 25% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded 1-benzyl-3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-isopropylimidazolidin-2-one (**S19**, 1.97 g, 5.25 mmol, 99%) as a pale yellow oil.

¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 – 7.66 (m, 1H), 7.47 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.39 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.33 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.24 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 4.45 (s, 2H), 4.25 – 4.15 (m, 1H), 3.30 (t, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.09 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 2.21 – 2.09 (m, 1H), 0.84 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.71 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.7, 140.3, 136.8, 130.2, 128.8, 128.4, 127.8, 126.5, 124.2, 122.7, 119.8, 57.2, 48.1, 41.9, 27.5, 18.0, 14.2.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 2964, 2931, 1697, 1591, 1563, 1493, 1481, 1425, 1385, 1366, 1322, 1258, 1144, 1096, 1070, 1028, 992, 957, 773, 750, 700, 686.

MS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{19}H_{22}BrN_2O^+$ requires 373.1, observed 373.1.

tert-butyl 2-(3-(3-benzyl-5-isopropyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetate (S20):



The title ester was synthesized following the general procedures C described above with 1-benzyl-3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-isopropylimidazolidin-2-one (**S19**, 1.97 g, 5.25 mmol). Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–40% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded *tert*-butyl 2-(3-(3-benzyl-5-isopropyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetate (**S20**, 1.35 g, 3.31 mmol, 63% yield) as a brown oil.

¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl3) δ 7.39 – 7.27 (m, 8H), 7.03 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 4.45 (s, 2H), 4.25 (ddd, J = 9.5, 5.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.52 (s, 2H), 3.29 (t, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (dd, J = 9.1, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.20 – 2.06 (m, 1H), 1.43 (s, 9H), 0.82 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 0.71 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 158.2, 138.9, 137.1, 135.5, 129.0, 128.8, 128.4, 127.7, 124.7, 122.5, 120.4, 57.5, 48.2, 42.9, 42.1, 28.2, 27.5, 17.8, 14.3.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 2966, 1700, 1604, 1493, 1430, 1384, 1367, 1322, 1259, 1143, 952, 749, 700.

MS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{25}H_{33}N_2O_3^+$ requires 409.2, observed 409.2.

2-(3-(3-benzyl-5-isopropyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-N-methylacetamide (2g):



The intermediate 2-(3-(3-benzyl-5-isopropyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1yl)phenyl)acetic acid was synthesized following the general procedures E described above with *tert*-butyl 2-(3-(3-benzyl-5isopropyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetate (**S20**, 1.35 g, 3.31 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The crude pale orange solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The title amide was synthesized following the general procedure F with methylamine hydrochloride (2.24 g, 33.1 mmol, 10 equiv). Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–70% acetone in hexanes) afforded 2-(3-(3-benzyl-5-isopropyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-*N*-methylacetamide (**2g**, 714 mg, 1.95 mmol, 59% yield over two steps) as a pale yellow foamy solid.

¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.42 – 7.28 (m, 8H), 6.98 (dt, *J* = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.47 (s, 1H), 4.46 (s, 2H), 4.26 (ddd, *J* = 9.6, 5.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (s, 2H), 3.31 (t, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 2.76 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 3H), 2.20 – 2.08 (m, 1H), 0.83 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.72 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.6, 158.2, 139.5, 136.9, 135.67, 129.7, 128.8, 128.3, 127.8, 124.9, 122.8, 120.6, 57.3, 48.1, 44.0, 42.0, 27.5, 26.7, 18.0, 14.3.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3306, 3031, 2960, 1671, 1603, 1586, 1553, 1493, 1435, 1385, 1358, 1323, 1261, 1210, 1156, 1115, 1097, 1028, 843, 748, 701, 657.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{22}H_{28}N_3O_2^+$ requires 366.21760, observed 366.21695, difference 1.77 ppm.



3-(3-bromophenyl)-1,4-diisopropylimidazolidin-2-one (S21):



The title compound was synthesized following the general procedure B described above with 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5-isopropylimidazolidin-2-one (**S9**, 1.50 g, 5.30 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and isopropyl iodide (0.64 mL, 6.36 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The reaction was refluxed for 18 hours. Purification with silica gel flash column chromatography (0–60% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded 3-(3-bromophenyl)-1,4-diisopropylimidazolidin-2-one (**S21**, 510 g, 1.59 mmol, 30%) aspale yellow oil.

¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 – 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.44 – 7.35 (m, 1H), 7.21 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 4.31 – 4.18 (m, 2H), 3.39 (t, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 3.19 (dd, J = 9.0, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 2.23 – 2.11 (m, 1H), 1.19 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.16 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.76 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9, 140.5, 130.1, 126.1, 123.8, 122.6, 119.5, 57.2, 43.6, 36.9, 27.7, 19.8, 19.5, 18.1, 14.2.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 2965, 2875, 1694, 1591, 1562, 1480, 1424, 1386, 1324, 1265, 1241, 1182, 1151, 1126, 1090, 1063, 991, 852, 772, 728, 684.

MS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{15}H_{22}BrN_2O^+$ requires 325.1, observed 325.1.

tert-butyl 2-(3-(3,5-diisopropyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetate (S22):



The title ester was synthesized following the general procedures C described above with 3-(3-bromophenyl)-1,4diisopropylimidazolidin-2-one (**S21**, 1.03 g, 3.21 mmol). Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–40% EtOAc in hexanes) afforded *tert*-butyl 2-(3-(3,5-diisopropyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetate (**S22**, 636 mg, 1.80 mmol, 56% yield) with minor impurities as a brown oil. The product was carried forward without further purification. ¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.51 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.01 – 6.93 (m, 1H), 4.33 – 4.17 (m, 2H), 3.50 (s, 2H), 3.44 - 3.34 (m, 1H), 3.17 (dd, J = 8.9, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 2.22 - 2.11 (m, 1H), 1.43 (s, 9H), 1.18 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.15 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.76 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.0, 157.4, 139.2, 135.4, 128.9, 124.3, 122.2, 120.1, 57.4, 43.5, 42.9, 37.0, 28.2, 27.8, 19.7, 19.5, 18.1, 14.3.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) ν_{max} 2965, 2931, 1696, 1591, 1563, 1493, 1481, 1424, 1385, 1366, 1322, 1257, 1143, 1096, 1070, 1029, 992, 957, 843, 773, 750, 700, 686.

MS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{21}H_{33}N_2O_3^+$ requires 361.2, observed 361.2.

2-(3-(3,5-diisopropyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-N-methylacetamide (2h):



The intermediate 2-(3-(3,5-diisopropyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1yl)phenyl)acetic acid was synthesized following the general procedures E described above with *tert*-butyl 2-(3-(3,5-diisopropyl-2oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetate (**S22**, 636 mg, 1.80 mmol, 1.0 equiv). The crude pale orange solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The title amide was synthesized following the general procedure F with methylamine hydrochloride (1.22 g, 18.0 mmol, 10 equiv). Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–70% acetone in hexanes) afforded 2-(3-(3,5-diisopropyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-*N*-methylacetamide (**2h**, 297 mg, 0.936 mmol, 52% yield over two steps) as a pale yellow oil.

¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.37 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 6.98 – 6.92 (m, 1H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 4.31 – 4.19 (m, 2H), 3.56 (s, 2H), 3.40 (t, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 1H), 3.19 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.74 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 3H), 2.20 – 2.10 (m, 1H), 1.18 (dd, *J* = 15.2, 6.8 Hz, 6H), 0.92 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.76 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 171.6, 157.4, 139.7, 135.6, 129.6, 124.5, 122.6, 120.2, 57.3, 44.0, 43.6, 37.0, 27.8, 26.7, 19.7, 19.6, 18.1, 14.3.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3303, 2965, 1662, 1604, 1586, 1553, 1492, 1428, 1387, 1367, 1325, 1266, 1170, 1126, 1067, 845, 769, 693.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{18}H_{28}N_3O_2^+$ requires 318.21760, observed 318.21788, difference 0.88 ppm.



2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetamide (2i):



The intermediate 3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-isopropyl-1methylimidazolidin-2-one was synthesized following the general procedure B described above with 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5isopropylimidazolidin-2-one (**S9**, 2.83 g, 10.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and methyl iodide (0.75 ml, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The resultant orange solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The intermediate 2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetic acid was synthesized following the general procedures C and D described above with the crude product from the previous step. The crude white solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

To a 100 mL round bottom flask were added the crude carboxylic acid starting material from the previous step, N-(3-Dimethylaminopropyl)-N'-ethylcarbodiimide hydrochloride (2.33 g, 15.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv), 1-hydroxybenzotriazole (2.03 g, 15.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv), ammonium chloride (1.02 g, 60.0 mmol, 6.0 equiv), N-methylmorpholine (1.65 mL, 15.0 mmol, 1.5 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (32 mL). The reaction was stirred for 17 hours at room temperature, then washed with 10% citric acid (aq), sat. NaHCO₃ (aq), and brine. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, concentrated, and purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–70% acetone in hexanes) to afford 2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetamide (**2i**, 688 mg, 2.50 mmol, 25% yield over four steps) as a white solid.

¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.43 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.00 (dt, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.52 (s, 1H), 5.30 (s, 1H), 4.27 (ddd, J = 9.5, 5.7, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 2H), 3.43 (t, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 3.23 (dd, J = 9.0, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.23 – 2.06 (m, 1H), 0.91 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.77 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.25, 158.57, 139.65, 135.65,

 13 C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 13 C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 173.25, 158.57, 139.65, 135.65, 129.63, 124.61, 122.84, 120.27, 57.33, 44.96, 43.63, 31.00, 27.54, 18.08, 14.43.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3351.50, 3195.60, 2960.16, 2929.98, 2874.41, 1664.06, 1603.15, 1586.63, 1493.11, 1434.25, 1402.93, 1381.68, 1326.41, 1265.52, 1215.28, 1186.67, 1111.55, 1040.18, 997.62, 894.48, 841.62, 783.35, 751.92, 696.91.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{15}H_{22}N_3O_2^+$ requires 276.17065, observed 276.17012, difference 1.92 ppm.



2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-N-propylacetamide (2j):



The intermediate 3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-isopropyl-1methylimidazolidin-2-one was synthesized following the general procedure B described above with 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5isopropylimidazolidin-2-one (**S9**, 2.83 g, 10.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and methyl iodide (0.75 ml, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The resultant orange solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The intermediate 2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetic acid was synthesized following the general procedures C and D described above with the crude product from the previous step. The crude white solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The title amide was synthesized following the general procedure F with propylamine (0.99 mL, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv). Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–10% MeOH in CH_2Cl_2) afforded 2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-*N*-propylacetamide (**2j**, 762 mg, 2.40 mmol, 24% yield over four steps) as pale yellow oil.

¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.00 – 6.92 (m, 1H), 5.44 (s, 1H), 4.26 (ddd, J = 9.5, 5.6, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.56 (s, 2H), 3.43 (t, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 3.28 – 3.05 (m, 3H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.17 – 2.10 (m, 1H), 1.48 – 1.37 (m, 2H), 0.90 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.83 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 0.76 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 158.5, 139.6, 135.8, 129.6, 124.7, 122.7, 120.5, 57.3, 45.0, 442, 41.5, 31.0, 27.5, 22.9, 18.1, 14.4, 11.4.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3300, 3075, 2961, 2931, 2874, 1688, 1647, 1604, 1585, 1547, 1493, 1433, 1403, 1382, 1325, 1266, 1157, 1112, 1040, 997, 957, 890, 844, 771, 750, 694.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{18}H_{28}N_3O_2^+$ requires 318.21760, observed 318.21769, difference 0.28 ppm.

N-isopropyl-2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetamide (2k):



The intermediate 3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-isopropyl-1methylimidazolidin-2-one was synthesized following the general proce dure B found above with 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5isopropylimidazolidin-2-one (**S9**, 2.83 g, 10.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and methyl iodide (0.75 ml, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The resultant orange solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The intermediate 2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetic acid was synthesized following the general procedures C and D described above with the crude product from the previous step. The crude white solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The title amide was synthesized following the general procedure F with isopropyl amine (0.98 mL, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv). Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–10% MeOH in CH_2Cl_2) afforded *N*-isopropyl-2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetamide (**2k**, 1.17 g, 3.70 mmol, 37% yield over four steps) as a pale yellow oil.

¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.38 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 6.99 – 6.93 (m, 1H), 5.26 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 4.26 (ddd, *J* = 9.5, 5.6, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 4.11 – 3.98 (m, 1H), 3.52 (s, 2H), 3.43 (t, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 3.22 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.20 – 2.10 (m, 1H), 1.06 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 6H), 0.90 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.76 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.1, 158.5, 139.5, 135.8, 129.6, 124.6, 122.6, 120.5, 57.6, 45.0, 44.2, 41.6, 31.0, 27.5, 22.7, 22.7, 18.0, 14.4.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) v_{max} 3295, 2965, 2931, 1691, 1645, 1604, 1586, 1544, 1493, 1434, 1404, 1383, 1327, 1267, 1174, 1112, 845, 770, 695.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{18}H_{28}N_3O_2^+$ requires 318.21760, observed 318.21743, difference 0.53 ppm.

N-(tert-butyl)-2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetamide (2l):



The intermediate 3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-isopropyl-1methylimidazolidin-2-one was synthesized following the general procedure B found above with 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5isopropylimidazolidin-2-one (**S9**, 2.83 g, 10.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and methyl iodide (0.75 ml, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The resultant orange solid was carried to the next step without further purification. The intermediate 2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetic acid was synthesized following the general procedures C and D described above with the crude product from the previous step. The crude white solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The title amide was synthesized following the general procedure F with tert-butylamine (1.26 mL, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv). Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–40% acetone in hexanes) afforded N-(tert-butyl)-2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetamide (**2l**, 1.06 g, 3.20 mmol, 32% yield over four steps) as a pale yellow oil.

¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 6.95 (dt, *J* = 7.3, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.24 (s, 1H), 4.26 (ddd, *J* = 9.5, 5.6, 3.8 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (s, 2H), 3.43 (t, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 3.21 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (s, 3H), 2.15 (dtq, *J* = 10.6, 6.9, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 1.27 (s, 9H), 0.90 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.75 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.29, 158.51, 139.48, 136.22, 129.52, 124.48, 122.46, 120.33, 57.34, 51.37, 45.21, 44.96, 31.03, 28.79, 27.51, 18.04, 14.39.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) ν_{max} 3309.60, 2962.99, 2929.32, 1686.55, 1650.73, 1604.53, 1586.32, 1546.02, 1493.43, 1452.32, 1434.06, 1403.98, 1383.20, 1364.09, 1326.48, 1267.12, 1224.57, 1157.38, 1112.11, 1041.15, 777.36, 694.18.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{19}H_{30}N_3O_2^+$ requires 332.23325, observed 332.23328, difference 0.09 ppm.

N-benzyl-2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetamide (2m):



The intermediate 3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-isopropyl-1methylimidazolidin-2-one was synthesized following the general procedure B described above with 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5isopropylimidazolidin-2-one (**S9**, 2.83 g, 10.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and methyl iodide (0.75 ml, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The resultant orange solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The intermediate 2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetic acid was synthesized following the general procedures C and D described above with the crude product from the previous step. The crude white solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

The title amide was synthesized following the general procedure F with benzylamine (1.31 mL, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv). Purification by silica gel flash column chromatography (0–10% MeOH in CH_2Cl_2) afforded *N*-benzyl-2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)acetamide (**2m**, 1.36 g, 3.72 mmol, 37% yield over four steps) as a pale yellow foamy solid.

¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.40 – 7.15 (m, 8H), 6.98 (dt, J = 6.7, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.81 (s, 1H), 4.40 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 4.23 (ddd, J = 9.4, 5.6, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (s, 2H), 3.41 (t, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 3.21 (dd, J = 9.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (s, 3H), 2.19 – 2.07 (m, 1H), 0.88 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.73 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 170.9, 158.5, 139.6, 138.3, 135.5, 129.6, 128.8, 127.7, 127.5, 124.6, 122.6, 120.4, 57.3, 44.9, 44.1, 43.7, 31.0, 27.5, 18.0, 14.4.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) ν_{max} 3297, 3060, 2960, 2928, 1672, 1604, 1586, 1493., 1453, 1434, 1404, 1383, 1326, 1267, 1157, 1112, 1029, 843, 749, 699.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{22}H_{28}N_3O_2^+$ requires 366.21760, observed 366.21806, difference 1.26 ppm.



3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)-N-propylbenzamide (2n):



The intermediate 3-(3-bromophenyl)-4-isopropyl-1methylimidazolidin-2-one was synthesized following the general proce dure B found above with 1-(3-bromophenyl)-5-isopropylimidazolidin-2-one (**S9**, 2.83 g, 10.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv) and methyl iodide (0.75 ml, 12.0 mmol, 1.2 equiv). The resultant orange solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

To a 250 mL round bottom flask was added the crude starting material from the previous step. The flask was evacuated and backfilled with argon three times, followed by addition of tetrahydrofuran (94 mL). Upon cooling to -78 °C, n-butyllithium (2.5 M in hexanes, 4.40 mL, 11.0 mmol, 1.1 equiv) was added, and the solution was stirred for 1 hour. Propyl isocyanate (1.22 mL, 13.0 mmol, 1.3 equiv) was added dropwise, and the reaction was stirred for 21 hours as it warmed up to room temperature. The solution was then quenched with sat. NH₄Cl (aq). The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane three times. The combined organic layer was dried with MgSO₄ and concentrated. Purification with silica gel flash column chromatography (0–50% acetone in hexanes) afforded 3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)-*N*-propylbenzamide (**2n**, 953 mg, 3.15 mmol, 32% yield over two steps) as a white solid.

¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.86 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (ddd, J = 8.1, 2.2, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (dt, J = 7.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.28 (s, 1H), 4.33 (ddd, J = 9.5, 5.4, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.51 – 3.35 (m, 3H), 3.23 (dd, J = 9.0, 5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (s, 3H),

2.18 (dqd, *J* = 10.6, 6.8, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 1.68 – 1.59 (m, 2H), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.75 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.57, 158.42, 139.26, 135.74, 129.15, 123.88, 121.90, 119.65, 57.25, 44.87, 41.94, 30.97, 27.37, 23.07, 18.04, 14.30, 11.64.

IR (FT-ATR, cm⁻¹) ν_{max} 3300.49, 3089.20, 2959.50, 1651.41, 1604.25, 1585.56, 1555.67, 1493.32, 1434.71, 1404.61, 1383.10, 1352.53, 1326.05, 1266.89, 1161.66, 1112.05, 1040.69, 997.67, 899.26, 751.56, 693.90.

HRMS (ESI) (m/z) for $[M+H]^+ C_{17}H_{26}N_3O_2^+$ requires 304.20195, observed 304.20142, difference 1.74 ppm.













































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(S)-4-isopropyl-1-methylimidazolidin-2-one (S23):



To a 50 mL round bottom flask were added (*S*)-2-((*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)amino)-3-methylbutanoic acid (0.543 g, 2.50 mmol, 1.0 equiv), methylamine hydrochloride (1.69 g, 25.0 mmol, 10 equiv), 1-hydroxybenzotriazole (0.459 g, 3.00 mmol, 1.2 equiv), *N*-(3-Dimethylaminopropyl)-*N*'-ethylcarbodiimide hydrochloride (0.575 g, 3.00 mmol, 1.2 equiv), and *N*,*N*-diisopropylethylamine (1.05 mL, 6.00 mmol, 2.4 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (12.5 ml). The flask was sealed with a cap, and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 hours. The

solution was then washed with 10% citric acid (aq), sat. NaHCO₃ (aq), and brine. The combined organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The white solid was dissolved in hydrogen chloride in 1,4-dioxane (4 N in dioxane, 7.50 mL, 30.0 mmol, 12 equiv), stirred for 1 hour, and concentrated in *vacuo*. The resultant white solid was carried to the next step without further purification.

To a 50 mL round bottom flask was added the crude intermediate from the previous step in dry tetrahydrofuran (8.3 mL), to which lithium aluminum hydride (285 mg, 7.50 mmol, 3.0 equiv) was added in portions. After addition, the reaction mixture was refluxed for 45 hours. Upon cooling down to 0 °C, the reaction was quenched by sequential addition of 0.3 mL water, 0.3 mL 15% NaOH (aq), and 0.9 mL water. The mixture was stirred for 15 minutes at room temperature, followed by addition of a scoop of MgSO₄ and 15 minutes of stirring. The mixture was filtered, and the filtrate was concentrated to provide a crude yellow oil, which was carried to the next step without further purification.

To a 50 mL round bottom flask was added the crude intermediate and carbonyldiimidazole (527 mg, 3.25 mmol, 1.2 equiv) in dry tetrahydrofuran (8.3 mL). The reaction was stirred for 19 hours

at room temperature. The reaction mixture was then diluted with CH_2Cl_2 , washed with 1 *N* HCl (aq) three times, washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The crude product was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography with ethyl acetate to afford (*S*)-4-isopropyl-1-methylimidazolidin-2-one (**S23**, 19.3 mg, 0.136 mmol, 5% yield) as white solid. The spectral data matched a previous report (*38*).

(S)-2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-N-methylacetamide ((S)-2a):

The procedure is adapted and modified from a previous report (39).



To an oven-dried 2-dram vial were added (*S*)-4-isopropyl-1methylimidazolidin-2-one (**S23**, 19.3 mg, 0.136 mmol, 1.0 equiv), palladium(II) acetate (0.6 mg, 2.7 μ mol, 2 mol%), 4,5bis(diphenylphosphino)-9,9-dimethylxanthene (XantPhos, 2.4 mg, 4.1 μ mol, 3 mol%), methyl 2-(3-bromophenyl)acetate (37.4 mg, 0.163 mmol, 1.2 equiv), and cesium carbonate (61.9 mg, 0.190

mmol, 1.4 equiv). The vial was evacuated and backfilled with argon three times. Upon addition of dioxane (1.0 ml), the vial was sealed and stirred for 72 hours at 110 °C. Upon cooling to room temperature, the reaction mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂, filtered through a celite plug, and concentrated. The crude intermediate was carried to the next step without further purification.

The crude ester was hydrolyzed following the general procedure D described above. The crude carboxylic acid intermediate was carried to the next step without further purification.

The title amide was synthesized following the general procedure F with methylamine hydrochloride (92.0 mg, 1.36 mmol, 10 equiv). Purification by preparative TLC (80% acetone in hexanes) afforded (S)-2-(3-(5-isopropyl-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl)phenyl)-N-methylacetamide ((S)-2a, 2.3 mg, 8.0 μ mol, 6% yield over three steps) as a colorless oil. The spectral data matched that of *rac*-2a (*vide supra*).

 $[\alpha]_D^{21.0} = -11.8^{\circ} (c = 0.13, CH_2Cl_2)$ HPLC: (ChiralCel®, OZ-H column, 25% IPA/Hex eluent, 1.0 mL/min flow rate, 250 nm): t_R= 20.3 min

Stereochemical Proof for the Absolute Configuration of Deracemization Products

The specific rotation and the HPLC retention time of (S)-2a were compared to those of the deracemization product formed from *rac*-2a, which determined that (R)-2a was the major enantiomer in the deracemization product (*vide infra*). The absolute configurations of other substrates were inferred by analogy.
General Procedures for Deracemization Reactions

Method A (reaction optimization):

An oven-dried 2-dram vial was charged with a magnetic stir bar, substrate (25.0 μ mol, 1.0 equiv), [Ir(dF(CF₃)ppy)₂bpy]PF₆ (0.5 mg, 0.50 μ mol, 2 mol %), chiral base **3e** (2.5 mg, 2.50 μ mol, 10 mol %), chiral thiol **4e** (1.4 mg, 2.50 μ mol, 10 mol %), triphenylmethane (3.6 mg, 12.5 μ mol, 50 mol %), and molecular sieves (50 mg, 10 % m/v). The vial was sealed with a PTFE/silicone septum, followed by three times of evacuation and backfill with Ar. Then, 0.5 mL of anhydrous THF was added. The reaction was irradiated by a blue LED lamp (Kessil H150B LED Grow Light) and stirred at room temperature with a fan to cool the reaction setup. After 4 hours, the reaction was filtered through a pipette containing 0.50 inch of silica gel and rinsed with 10 mL of acetone. The yields were determined by ¹H NMR with 1.0 μ L of benzyl ether as an internal standard. The crude mixture was purified by preparative TLC. The enantiomeric ratios were then determined by HPLC analysis with chiral stationary phase.

Method B (preparative scale):

An oven-dried 2-dram vial was charged with a magnetic stir bar, substrate (0.25 mmol, 1.0 equiv), $[Ir(dF(CF_3)ppy)_2bpy]PF_6$ (5.1 mg, 5.0 µmol, 2 mol %), chiral base **3e** (12.4 mg, 12.5 µmol, 5 mol %), chiral thiol **4e** (7.0 mg, 12.5 µmol, 5 mol %), triphenylmethane (15.3 mg, 62.5 µmol, 25 mol %), and molecular sieves (125 mg, 5% m/v). The vial was sealed with a PTFE/silicone septum, followed by three times of evacuation and backfill with Ar. Then, 2.5 mL of anhydrous THF was added. The reaction was irradiated by a blue LED lamp (Kessil H150B LED Grow Light) and stirred at room temperature with a fan to cool the reaction setup. After 12 hours, the reaction was filtered through a pipette containing 0.50 inch of silica gel, rinsed with 10 mL of acetone, concentrated, and purified by flash column chromatography. The enantiomeric ratios were then determined by HPLC analysis with chiral stationary phase.

Characterization of Products



 $[\alpha]_{D}^{21.0} = +13.2^{\circ} (c = 0.30 \text{ in CH}_{2}\text{Cl}_{2}, 95:5 \text{ er})$

HPLC (ChiralCel®, OZ-H column, 25% IPA/Hex eluent, 1.0 mL/min flow rate, 250 nm): major enantiomer t_R = 15.8 min, minor enantiomer t_R = 22.8 min





 $[\alpha]_D^{21.0} = -2.3^\circ$ (c = 0.14 in CH₂Cl₂, 94:6 er)

HPLC (ChiralCel®, OZ-H column, 25% IPA/Hex eluent, 1.0 mL/min flow rate, 250 nm): major enantiomer t_R = 18.9 min, minor enantiomer t_R = 22.7 min



 $[\alpha]_D^{21.0} = 35.3^\circ (c = 0.25 \text{ in CH}_2\text{Cl}_2, 94:6 \text{ er})$



HPLC (ChiralCel[®], OZ-H column, 25% IPA/Hex eluent, 1.0 mL/min flow rate, 250 nm): major enantiomer t_R = 11.7 min, minor enantiomer t_R = 23.9 min



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 $[\alpha]_D^{21.0} = -11.1^{\circ} (c = 0.18 \text{ in CH}_2\text{Cl}_2, 94:6 \text{ er})$

HPLC (ChiralPak®, AD-H column, 25% IPA/Hex eluent, 1.0 mL/min flow rate, 250 nm): major enantiomer t_R = 10.3 min, minor enantiomer t_R = 8.0 min



HPLC (ChiralPak®, AD-H column, 25% IPA/Hex eluent, 1.0 mL/min flow rate, 250 nm): major enantiomer t_R = 7.6 min, minor enantiomer t_R = 12.0 min





 $[\alpha]_D^{21.0} = 17.2^\circ (c = 0.26 \text{ in CH}_2\text{Cl}_2, 95:5 \text{ er})$

HPLC (ChiralCel®, OZ-H column, 25% IPA/Hex eluent, 1.0 mL/min flow rate, 250 nm): major enantiomer t_R = 17.4 min, minor enantiomer t_R = 28.8 min





 $[\alpha]_{D}^{21.0} = 11.7^{\circ} (c = 0.25 \text{ in CH}_{2}\text{Cl}_{2}, 93:7 \text{ er})$

HPLC (ChiralCel[®], OZ-H column, 25% IPA/Hex eluent, 1.0 mL/min flow rate, 250 nm): major enantiomer t_R = 9.3 min, minor enantiomer t_R = 13.2 min





 $[\alpha]_{D}^{21.0} = 13.4^{\circ} (c = 0.27 \text{ in CH}_{2}\text{Cl}_{2}, 93:7 \text{ er})$

HPLC (ChiralPak®, ID column, 40% IPA/Hex eluent, 1.0 mL/min flow rate, 254 nm): major enantiomer t_R = 20.0 min, minor enantiomer t_R = 23.0 min





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 $[\alpha]_D^{21.0} = 8.0^\circ (c = 0.13 \text{ in CH}_2\text{Cl}_2, 93:7 \text{ er})$

HPLC (ChiralCel®, OZ-H column, 25% IPA/Hex eluent, 1.0 mL/min flow rate, 250 nm): major enantiomer t_R = 12.1 min, minor enantiomer t_R = 17.3 min



HPLC (ChiralCel®, OZ-H column, 25% IPA/Hex eluent, 1.0 mL/min flow rate, 250 nm): major enantiomer t_R = 9.7 min, minor enantiomer t_R = 12.8 min





 $[\alpha]_D^{21.0} = 11.7^\circ (c = 0.22 \text{ in CH}_2\text{Cl}_2, 95:5 \text{ er})$

HPLC (ChiralCel®, OD-H column, 25% IPA/Hex eluent, 1.0 mL/min flow rate, 250 nm): major enantiomer t_R = 10.8 min, minor enantiomer t_R = 16.7 min



Me-N Me Me rac- 2a	0 N H 2 mol% [Ir(dF(CF ₃)ppy) 5 mol% 3e, 5 mol ⁴ 25 mol% Ph ₃ CH, 5% THF, blue LEDs, 25	2(bpy)]PF ₆ Me N % 4e m/v MS °C, 4 h	о ле Н ^{ме} (S)- 2а
entry	change	yield (%)	er
1	None	99	96:4
2	No [Ir(dF(CF ₃)ppy) ₂ (bpy)]PF ₆	97	50:50
3	No 3e	99	69:31
4	No 4e	91	55:45
5	No Ph ₃ CH	96	93:7
6	No MS	99	95:5
7	No light	99	50:50

Table S1. Control experiments. Reactions were performed on 0.025 mmol scale. Yields were determined by ¹H NMR analysis of crude reaction mixtures relative to an internal standard (benzyl ether). The er was determined by HPLC analysis on a chiral stationary phase.



Fig. S1. Cyclic voltammogram of substrate **2a**. Cyclic voltammetry experiments were carried out with 0.1 M NBu₄PF₆ as electrolyte in acetonitrile. Experiments were run using 0.002 M of substrate, glassy carbon as working electrode, platinum mesh as counter electrode, and Ag^+/Ag (in acetonitrile) as reference electrode with a scan rate of 0.1 V/s. The reference electrode was calibrated with ferrocene.

Stern-Volmer Experiments

Stern-Volmer experiments were conducted on an Agilent Technologies Cary Eclipse Fluorescence Spectrophotometer using the Cary Eclipse Scan Application. Rigorously degassed (with argon) solutions of each component were prepared in tetrahydrofuran prior to each set of experiments. The solutions were irradiated at 380 nm and luminescence was measured at 480 nm. The luminescence of the optimized chiral base catalyst **3e** overlaps with that of iridium photocatalyst, which complicates data analysis. Instead, base **3d**, which has comparable reactivity and enantioselectivity (Fig. 3A), was used in Stern–Volmer experiments and the corresponding Time-Correlated Single Photon Counting experiments.

-	Specie	Species		on (mM)	
	[lr(dF(CF ₃)ppy) ₂ (bpy)]PF ₆		0.01	0	
	Base	3d	0.10	0	
-	<i>(R)</i> -2a or	(S)- 2a	varied		
	Substrate = (R)-2a	l	Su	bstrate = (S)-2a	3
[<i>(R)</i> - 2a](mN	M) I (AU)	I ₀ /I	[<i>(S)</i> -2a](mM)	I (AU)	I ₀ /I
0	873.32	1.00	0	808.77	1.00
0.30	671.60	1.30	0.30	669.80	1.21
0.60	560.30	1.56	0.60	519.51	1.56
1.20	452.08	1.93	1.20	418.70	1.93

Table S2. Fluorescence quenching data with solutions of racemic $[Ir(dF(CF_3)ppy)_2(bpy)]PF_6$, base **3d**, and substrate **2a** in tetrahydrofuran.



Fig. S2. Stern–Volmer plots of racemic $[Ir(dF(CF_3)ppy)_2(bpy)]PF_6$ quenched with varying concentrations of substrate (*R*)-2a and (*S*)-2a in the presence of base 3d in tetrahydrofuran.

Time-Correlated Single Photon Counting experiments $(0.010 \text{ mM racemic} [Ir(dF(CF_3)ppy)_2(bpy)]PF_6$ and 0.100 mM 3d in tetrahydrofuran) demonstrated that the lifetime of the excited-state Ir photocatalyst (τ) is 0.908 µs.

Linear regression analysis of Stern–Volmer plots (Fig. S2) affords the K_{SV} values for each enantiomeric substrate 2a.

(R)-2a:
$$K_{SV,(S)} = 817 \pm 80 M^{-1}$$

(S)-2a: $K_{SV,(R)} = 801 \pm 70 M^{-1}$

The rate constants for electron transfer events (k_{ET}) can be obtained from the lifetime measurement and Stern-Volmer experiments with the following equation:

$$k_{ET} = \frac{K_{SV}}{\tau}$$

This provides the rate constants for electron transfer events from the excited-state Ir photocatalyst to each enantiomeric substrate 2a.

(R)-2a:
$$k_{ET,(S)} = 9.0(8) \times 10^8 M^{-1} s^{-1}$$

(S)-2a: $k_{ET,(R)} = 8.8(7) \times 10^8 M^{-1} s^{-1}$

Computational Evaluation of Bond Dissociation Free Energy

Computational Methods. All computations were performed with the Gaussian 16 program. (40) Density functional theory calculations were performed with the density functional B3LYP. (41, 42) The 6-31G+ (d, p) basis set was used for gas-phase geometry optimization and normal mode analyses. Frequency calculations were performed at the optimized geometries to confirm that each geometry had the appropriate number of imaginary frequencies: zero for minima. The absolute bond strength values were benchmarked with experimental bond strength of *N*-isopropylacetamide (93.1 kcal/mol). (43)



Entry	Compound	G _{gas} , 298 K (kcal/mol)	Freq. (cm ⁻¹)
1	2a	-588635.2937	24.96, 26.55, 36.49
2	C1	-204830.5214	56.72, 100.57, 129.94
3	C2	-588235.9376	24.23, 25.67, 32.41
4	C3	-205233.1212	44.25, 78.01, 138.01

Table S3. Computed Gibbs free energies and the three lowest vibrational frequencies of select compounds.

 $\Delta BDFE = (-588235.9376) + (-205233.1212) - (-588635.2937) - (-204830.5214)$ = -3.244 kcal/mol

Thus, BDFE (**2a**, C–H) = $93.1 - 3.244 \approx 89.9$ kcal/mol.

Cartesian Coordinates for Optimized Structures.

Compound 2a

С	2.83601200	-0.16284600	-0.34872000
С	3.47529200	1.24391400	-0.23009200
С	1.15470700	1.50997000	-0.24393200
Η	4.25461500	1.40006200	-0.98380700
Η	3.93076500	1.39140400	0.76156400
Η	2.98631600	-0.53194800	-1.37420600
0	0.05051300	2.04593700	-0.20946000
С	2.49595500	3.58126000	-0.24410000
Η	1.51407000	4.03762800	-0.37672500
Η	2.87206400	3.82826700	0.76003300
Η	3.18752500	3.99091700	-0.98768500
С	3.47046100	-1.18009200	0.63630200
Η	4.55351800	-0.99415200	0.56172000
С	3.04847500	-0.94531100	2.09455700
Η	3.61855900	-1.60073500	2.76115300
Η	3.21955200	0.08594400	2.42020800
Η	1.98541200	-1.16458600	2.23379800
С	3.24498700	-2.64612700	0.23046200
Η	3.54579800	-2.82614000	-0.80815000
Η	3.84086000	-3.30883900	0.86721600
Η	2.19658600	-2.93981900	0.33410200
С	0.34210100	-0.77378400	-0.37625700
С	0.35994800	-1.68052300	-1.44370400
С	-0.79187000	-0.68871100	0.43847100
С	-0.76454500	-2.47130700	-1.69024100
Η	1.23029300	-1.76313600	-2.08554100
С	-1.94763600	-1.42498700	0.15361800
Η	-0.77804400	-0.00064700	1.27715300
С	-1.91802800	-2.33221000	-0.91532600
Η	-0.74923200	-3.17965500	-2.51362800
Η	-2.80027100	-2.92371200	-1.14403600
С	-3.21143400	-1.18560100	0.94471300
Η	-3.89963700	-2.02916900	0.85528000
Η	-2.97982300	-1.07814500	2.01236700
С	-4.03725600	0.06093200	0.55978500
0	-5.25255400	0.07702000	0.75847400
Ν	-3.36815900	1.12646600	0.05274400
Н	-2.36843800	1.08506600	-0.10015000
С	-4.06271000	2.36279900	-0.27688600
Н	-4.59228700	2.75511100	0.59688500
Н	-3.32421900	3.09267200	-0.61250200
Н	-4.79976600	2.19950200	-1.07013800

Ν	2.35885500	2.15046200	-0.42388700
Ν	1.41007000	0.13538700	-0.13013100

Compound C1

С	1.43960500	1.35490000	0.48570500
Н	1.71981800	1.25488400	1.55044100
Н	0.59058600	2.03924600	0.44493700
Н	2.28095800	1.83353600	-0.02521700
С	1.15989000	0.00935800	-0.11896700
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Н	2.67383100	-1.38592000	0.57474100
Н	2.05613600	-1.71884900	-1.05481600
Н	3.16652900	-0.36685900	-0.77975900
Ν	-0.05395000	-0.64720200	0.14493400
Н	-0.00573600	-1.63856400	0.36622900
С	-1.37208700	-0.23794800	0.02790000
С	-1.65697700	1.14443600	-0.51930200
Н	-1.65814300	1.88323900	0.28942500
Н	-0.92295500	1.45251300	-1.26896200
Н	-2.65583000	1.12562200	-0.95754000
0	-2.27398000	-1.01161900	0.34374200

Compound C2

1			
C	2.81901800	-0.07991600	-0.13674800
С	3.49834200	1.27121100	-0.12421300
С	1.17904500	1.58156100	-0.20068400
Н	4.20777100	1.40579900	-0.95738100
Н	4.07040400	1.43232900	0.80926100
0	0.07096800	2.10430300	-0.26613700
С	2.55276800	3.64265400	-0.26556300
Η	1.56244700	4.09199500	-0.35437800
Η	3.03477600	4.01396100	0.64829100
Η	3.16111500	3.94040700	-1.12824700
С	3.46247200	-1.24200800	0.59097900
Η	4.53516800	-1.00025400	0.59282300
С	3.00433900	-1.31657600	2.06724700
Η	3.57211000	-2.08318800	2.60602500
Η	3.15192500	-0.36194500	2.58407400
Η	1.94253100	-1.57491600	2.13254100
С	3.33022900	-2.61803900	-0.09094200
Η	3.64528200	-2.57274400	-1.13848800
Η	3.96500600	-3.34850400	0.42296300
Η	2.30268400	-2.98975100	-0.05944800
С	0.37107600	-0.71992500	-0.36307300
С	0.40941700	-1.58937700	-1.45900400

С	-0.76689100	-0.66195300	0.44654700
С	-0.70059100	-2.39017400	-1.73184200
Н	1.28843500	-1.61800000	-2.09376600
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0	-5.24764700	0.00558100	0.79164900
Ν	-3.40218100	1.08552000	0.03099400
Н	-2.40648200	1.05882800	-0.14661300
С	-4.12670000	2.30784300	-0.28678500
Н	-4.64148800	2.69437200	0.59822700
Н	-3.41029500	3.04957100	-0.64357300
Н	-4.87980900	2.12742100	-1.06093000
Ν	2.39311400	2.20633700	-0.22420600
Ν	1.43587900	0.19058900	-0.10530000

Compound C3

1		
1.67152800	1.05991900	0.88849800
1.96330000	0.47630500	1.76933200
0.92376400	1.79391300	1.20445100
2.55520500	1.60065200	0.53172300
1.11372400	0.13927700	-0.20957200
0.83515300	0.75262300	-1.07188500
2.15408600	-0.88883800	-0.67180600
2.44358800	-1.54863900	0.15546300
1.75823600	-1.50966300	-1.48089100
3.05989700	-0.38768100	-1.02742100
-0.09749100	-0.55709400	0.23173300
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-1.40811200	-0.19042900	0.07429300
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Fig. S3. Calculation of free energy values in the proposed reaction energy profile.

$A \rightarrow B$:

The excited-state triplet energy of $[Ir(dF(CF_3)ppy)_2(bpy)]PF_6$ has been previously reported to be 62 kcal/mol. (28)

$B \rightarrow C$:

The excited-state potential of $[Ir(dF(CF_3)ppy)_2(bpy)]PF_6$ has been previously reported ($E_{1/2}^* = 0.94 \text{ V vs. Fc}^+/\text{Fc}$ in MeCN). (28) The oxidation potential of substrate **2a** has been measured by cyclic voltammetry ($E_{p/2} = 0.91 \text{ V vs. Fc}^+/\text{Fc}$ in MeCN, Fig. S1).

$$\Delta G^{\circ}_{B\to C} = (0.91 - 0.94) \times 23.06 = -0.69 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

$C \rightarrow D$:

The BDFE(C–H) of substrate **2a** is estimated to be 89.9 kcal/mol by DFT calculations (Table S3). The oxidation potential of substrate **2a** has been measured by cyclic voltammetry ($E_{p/2} = 0.91$ V vs. Fc⁺/Fc in MeCN, Fig. S1). The p K_a of the radial cation intermediate can be estimated by the formulism of Mayer. (44)

BDFE(rt in MeCN) = 1.37 p
$$K_a$$
 + 23.06 E° (vs. Fc⁺/Fc) + 54.9 kcal/mol p $K_a \approx 10.2$

The pK_a of anionic phosphate base is estimated to be 13.0. (45) Free energy change of the proton transfer event can be calculated from the pK_a values.

$$\Delta G^{\circ}_{C \to D} = -RT \ln K_{eq} \approx -3.8 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

$D \rightarrow E$:

The BDFE(S–H) of cysteine has been previously reported to be 86.2 kcal/mol. (44) Free energy change of the H-atom transfer event can be estimated from the difference in BDFE values.

$$\Delta G^{\circ}_{D \rightarrow E} = 86.2 - 89.9 \approx -3.7 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

F vs. A:

The free energy difference between a racemic ensemble and a single-enantiomer ensemble of the same molecule can be calculated from the standard Gibbs free energy equation and Boltzmann's entropy formula.

 $\Delta G^{\circ}_{F} = \Delta H^{\circ} - T \Delta S^{\circ} = RT \ln 2 \approx 0.42 \text{ kcal/mol (at rt)}$

Me-N Me-N Me rac- 2a	0 2 mol% [lr(dF(CF ₃)ppy) ₂ (10 mol% 3e , 10 mol ⁶ H 50 mol% Ph ₃ CH, 10%n THF, blue LEDs, 25	bpy)]PF ₆ Me∼N N % 4e n/v MS Me	(<i>R</i>)-2а
Entry	Reaction Time (h)	Yield (%)	er
1	0.25	99	86:14
2	0.5	99	93:7
3	1	99	95:5
4	1.5	99	96:4
5	2	99	96:4
6	2.5	99	96:4
7	3	99	96:4
8	4	99	96:4
9	5	99	96:4

Table S4. Reaction conditions and results for the time-course studies. Reactions were performed on 0.025 mmol scale. Yields were determined by ¹H NMR analysis of crude reaction mixtures relative to an internal standard. The er was determined by HPLC analysis on a chiral stationary phase.

Quantum Yield Measurement

Chemical actinometry was carried out following the methods previously reported by Hatchard and Parker (29, 46). Potassium ferrioxolate (K₃Fe(C₂O₄)₃•H₂O) was purchased from Alfa Aeser and used without further purification. Blue LED strips ($\lambda_{max} = 463$ nm) was used for measurements.

Solution needed

0.05 M sulfuric acid stock solution

In a 100 mL volumetric flask, 0.281 mL of concentrated sulfuric acid (17.8 M) was added to 90 mL deionized water. Then, water was added until the 100 mL graduation mark was reached.

Ferrioxolate solution

A 0.15 M solution of potassium ferrioxolate was prepared by dissolving potassium ferrioxolate $(K_3Fe(C_2O_4)_3 \cdot H_2O, MW 491.243)$ (1.842 g, 3.75 mmol) with the 0.05 M sulfuric acid solution prepared in a 25 mL volumetric flask. Weigh potassium ferrioxolate as fast as possible and make every precaution to prepare and store the solution in the dark.

Developer solution:

225 g of sodium acetate trihydrate was dissolved in 1 liter of 0.5 M sulfuric acid. 10 g of 1,10-phenantroline was added to this solution. Store in the dark.

Typical Experiment: Measuring Photon Flux

A 1cm × 1cm quartz cuvette was charged with 1.5 mL of 0.15 M aqueous potassium ferrioxalate solution. Two sides of the cuvette were coated with black electrical tape to ensure a minimum pathway of the light of 1 cm. To stir the ferrioxolate, the solution was continually sparged with Argon and stirred with a small stirbar. While stirring, the solution was irradiated with a blue LED ($\lambda_{max} = 463$ nm) at room temperature. 10 µL aliquots of the solution were taken at different time points between 1 and 7 minutes of irradiation. This aliquot was immediately added to 5 mL of a developer solution of sodium acetate and 1,10-phenanthroline and the flask was quickly wrapped in aluminum foil. Concurrently, a "blank" sample was prepared by diluting 10 uL of the stock solution (kept in the dark) into 5 mL of developer solution. The solutions were left in the dark for 30 min - 1 hr, becoming bright red. The solutions were transferred to a cuvette and the absorbance spectrum of the Fe(phen)₃²⁺ complex was obtained. The absorbance at 510 nm ($\epsilon = 11,100$ M⁻¹ cm⁻¹) was measured for every sample.

Data Analysis

To calculate photon flux from your chemical actinometry data, first determine the number of Fe^{2+} ions produced by ferrioxolate photo-degradation:

moles of Fe²⁺ =
$$\frac{\Delta A_{510 nm} V_1 V_3}{\varepsilon_{510 nm} l V_2}$$

 ΔA = difference in absorbance at 510 nm between sample and 'blank' l = path length of cuvette (1 cm) $\varepsilon_{510 \text{ nm}}$ = Extinction coefficient of Fe(phen)₃ complex at 510 nm (ε = 11,100 M⁻¹cm⁻¹) V_1 = total volume of irradiated solution (1.5 mL) V_2 = volume of aliquot taken from V_1 (10 uL) V_3 = the volume that V_2 is diluted into (5 mL)

Now, the photon flux can be determined:

photon flux =
$$\frac{\text{moles of Fe}^{2+}}{\phi_{468\,nm}tF}$$

F = mean fraction of light absorbed by the ferrioxalate solution (F = 0.850 at 468 nm at 0.15 M ferrioxolate).

Results

	Run 1		Run 2			Run 3		
Time (s)	A _{510 nm} (AU)	∆A _{510 nm}	Time (s)	A _{510 nm} (AU)	∆A _{510 nm}	Time (s)	A _{510 nm} (AU)	∆A _{510 nm}
0	0.3744	0	0	0.206	0	0	0.2118	0
80	0.4463	0.0719	60	0.2942	0.0882	66	0.2647	0.0529
130	0.5057	0.1313	195	0.4143	0.2083	126	0.3132	0.1014
265	0.6328	0.2584	370	0.5869	0.3809	184	0.4079	0.1961
330	0.6942	0.3198	420	0.6881	0.4821	240	0.4407	0.2289
						300	0.516	0.3042
Slope ($\Delta A_{510 \text{ nm}}$ / time)Slope ($\Delta A_{510 \text{ nm}}$ / time)Slope ($\Delta A_{510 \text{ nm}}$ / time)= (9.79 ± 0.27) × 10 ⁻⁴ s ⁻¹ = (1.055 ± 0.093) × 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹ = (1.083 ± 0.093) × 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹		pe (∆A _{510 nm} / tir 183 ±0.078) × 1	me) 0 ⁻³ s ⁻¹					

Table S5. Absorbance data for the photon flux measurement using potassium ferrioxalate.



Fig. S4. UV-Vis absorbance plot for the photon flux measurement using potassium ferrioxalate. Calculated average photon flux: $(8.98 \pm 0.36) \times 10^{-8}$ einstein/s

Initial-rate time-course study of deracemization reaction

An oven-dried 1cm x 1cm quartz cuvette was charged with a magnetic stir bar, racemic substrate **2a** (27.8 mg, 96.1 μ mol), [Ir(dF(CF₃)ppy)₂bpy]PF₆ (1.5 mg, 1.50 μ mol), chiral base **3e** (3.7 mg, 3.7 μ mol), chiral thiol **3e** (2.1 mg, 3.7 μ mol), and triphenylmethane (5.4 mg, 18.8 μ mol). Two sides of the cuvette were coated with black electrical tape to ensure a minimum pathway of the light of 1 cm. The cuvette was sealed with a PTFE/silicone septum, followed by three times of evacuation and backfill with Ar. Then, 1.5 mL of anhydrous THF was added. The reaction was irradiated by a blue LED strips and stirred at room temperature with a fan to cool the reaction setup. At various time points within the first 20 minutes, 20 μ l of reaction fraction was taken, which was analyzed by HPLC with chiral stationary phase after a short silica plug and acetone flush. After the last time point, substrate recovery was analyzed by ¹H NMR with 1.0 μ L of benzyl ether as an internal standard. In every case, the substrate was fully recovered with quantitative yields.

Run 1		Run 2		Run 3	
Time (s)	%ee	Time (s)	%ee	Time (s)	%ee
120	2.2	150	1.9	150	1.9
240	3.3	300	3.6	300	3.7
360	5	600	6.2	600	6.3
510	6.1	900	8.8	900	8.8
600	7.4	1200	11.1	1200	11.6
900	9.9				
1200	12.3				
Slope = (9.41 ±0.35) × 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹		Slo = (8.70 ±0.2	pe :6) × 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	Slo = (9.03 ±0.2	pe :3) × 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹

Table S6. Initial- rate time-course data for quantum yield measurement of deracemization reaction.



Fig. S5. Initial-rate time-course plots for quantum yield measurement of deracemization reaction.

Calculated average slope in initial-rate time-course plots: $(9.05 \pm 0.49) \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$ Where N₀ is the initial moles of substrate (96.1 µmol),

Δt

=

 $\frac{N_0}{2000 \times \text{Photon flux}}$

Quantum Yield =
$$\frac{\text{moles of the minor enantiomer converted to the major enantiomer}}{\text{moles of incident photons}}$$
$$= \frac{\Delta[\text{moles of the (R) converted (S)}]}{\Delta t} \times \left[\frac{\Delta(\text{moles of incident photons})}{\Delta t}\right]^{-1}$$
$$\Delta \left(N_0 \times \frac{\% ee}{2} \times \frac{1}{100}\right) \qquad 1$$

Х

Photon flux

 $\Delta(\% ee)$

Δt

Thus, calculated quantum yield: 0.048(3)

F	R ₁ R ₁	acemate	O N− ^R 3 H	2 mol% [Ir(dF(CF ₃)ppy) ₂ (bpy)]PF ₆ 10 mol% base 10 mol% thiol additives THF, blue LEDs, 25 °C, 4 h				$R_2 \sim N \qquad \qquad$				Me_N Me Me			
Reaction Condition A			Reaction Condition B			Reaction Condition B'			Reaction Condition C			Reaction Condition C'			
base: 3e thiol: PhSH additives: 10 %m/v MS			base: NBu ₄ +(PhO) ₂ P(O)O ⁻ thiol: 4e additive: 50 mol% Ph ₃ CH, 10 %m/v MS			base: NBu₄+(PhO)₂P(O)O ⁻ thiol: ent- 4e additive: 50 mol% Ph ₃ CH, 10 %m/v MS			base: 3e (5 mol%) thiol: 4e (5 mol%) additive: 25 mol% Ph ₃ CH, 5 %m/v MS			base: 3e (5 mol%) thiol: ent- 4e (5 mol%) additive: 25 mol% Ph ₃ CH, 5 %m/v MS			
Entry	Substrate	Reaction Condition	Yield (%)	er	Entry	Substrate	Reaction Condition	Yield (%)	er	Entry	Substrate	Reaction Condition	Yield (%)	er	
1	2a	А	92	86:14	12	2a	В	95	79:21	24	2a	С	96	96:4	
2	2b	А	96	77:23	13	2a	B'	99	21:79	25	2a	C'	99	53:47	
3	2d	А	99	80:20	14	2b	В	96	85:15	26	2b	С	99	95:5	
4	2f	А	99	89:11	15	2d	В	96	76:24	27	2d	С	99	92:8	
5	2g	А	99	88:12	16	2f	В	99	69:31	28	2f	С	96	94:6	
6	2h	А	99	87:13	17	2g	В	99	77:23	29	2g	С	99	96:4	
7	2j	А	95	85:15	18	2h	В	99	69:31	30	2h	С	99	93:7	
8	2k	А	99	85:15	19	2j	В	99	81:19	31	2j	С	99	95:5	
9	2m	А	96	83:17	20	2k	В	99	79:21	32	2k	С	99	95:5	
10	20	А	99	58:42	21	2m	В	96	83:17	33	2m	С	99	95:5	
11	1b	А	99	49:51	22	20	В	99	79:21	34	20	С	97	81:19	
					23	1b	В	99	77:23	35	1b	С	99	74:26	

Table S7. Reaction conditions and results for the studies on synergistic enantioselectivity. Reactions were performed on 0.025 mmol scale. Yields were determined by ¹H NMR analysis of crude reaction mixtures relative to an internal standard (benzyl ether). The er was determined by HPLC analysis on a chiral stationary phase.



64:36

69:31

71:29

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P19

P20

P21

Boc-D-Val-Cys-D-Pro-Aib-Phg-NMe₂

Boc-Cys-D-Pro-Aib-D-Phg-NMe₂

Boc-Cys-D-Pro-Acpc-D-Phg-NMe₂

83

82

99

68:32

65:35

59:41

99

88

89

11*

12

13

P6

Ρ7

P8

(Boc-Cys-D-Pro-Aib-Phe-N(Pip)2)2

Boc-Cys-D-Pro-Aib-1-Nal-NMe2

Boc-Cys-D-Pro-Acpc-1-Nal-NMe₂

Table S8. Supplementary optimization data for cysteine-embedded peptides. Reactions were performed on 0.025 mmol scale. Yields were determined by ¹H NMR analysis of crude reaction mixtures relative to an internal standard (benzyl ether). The er was determined by HPLC analysis on a chiral stationary phase. *Peptide = $5 \mod \%$

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