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Synthesis of Chondramide A Analogues with Modified β-Tyrosine and Their Biological Evaluation

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Experimental Section

General. All solvents used in the reactions were purified before use. Dry diethyl ether, tetrahydrofuran, and toluene were distilled from sodium and benzophenone, whereas dry CH₂Cl₂, dimethylformamide, methanol, ethyl acetate, benzene, and triethylamine were distilled from CaH₂. Distilled petroleum ether (petroleum ether) with a boiling range of 40–60 °C was used. Reactions were generally run under argon or nitrogen atmosphere. All commercially available compounds (Acros, Aldrich, Fluka, Merck) were used without purification. ¹H and ¹³C NMR: Bruker Avance 400, spectra were recorded at 295 K; chemical shifts are calibrated to the residual proton and carbon resonance of the solvent: CDCl₃ (δH 7.25, δC 77.0 ppm), MeOD (δH 3.30, δC 49.0 ppm), DMSO-d₆ (δH 2.49, δC 39.5 ppm). HRMS (FT-ICR): Bruker Daltonic APEX 2 with electron spray ionization(ESI). Column chromatography: J. T. Baker silica gel 43–60 μm. Thin-layer chromatography: Machery-Nagel Polygram Sil G/UV₂₅₄. Optical rotations: JASCO Polarimeter P-1020, sodium D line (589 nm), $c = g \times 100$ mL⁻¹. From the depsipeptides 22 onwards, chondramide A numbering was used.

Procedures for Scheme 2

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CHO} \\ \textbf{10b} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_3\text{P=CHCO}_2\text{Me} \\ \\ \hline \text{CH}_2\text{CI}_2, \text{ rt, 3 d} \end{array} \\ \text{Me} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{CO}_2\text{Me} \\ \textbf{9b} \end{array}$$

(*E*)-Methyl 3-*p*-tolylacrylate (9b). To a solution of 4-methylbenzaldehyde (10b) (2.00 g, 16.6 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (65 mL) was added methyl (triphenylphosphoranylidene)acetate (6.66 g, 19.9 mmol) in one portion. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 d and then concentrated in vacuo. The residue containing Ph₃P=O and the acrylate was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 20:1) to give the cinnamate ^{1,2} 9b (2.73 g, 96%) as a colorless solid, m.p. = 85 °C. $R_f = 0.34$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 20:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 2.36 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.79 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 6.39 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 7.18 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.41 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.66 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H, 3-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 21.4 (CH₃), 51.6 (OCH₃), 116.7 (C-2), 128.0 (Ar), 129.6 (Ar), 131.6 (Ar), 140.7 (Ar), 144.8 (C-3), 167.6 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₁H₁₂O₂ [M+Na]⁺: 199.07295; found: 199.072842.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CHO} \\ \textbf{10c} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \text{Ph}_{3}\text{P=CHCO}_{2}\text{Me} \\ \\ \text{CH}_{2}\text{CI}_{2}, \text{ rt, 3 d MeO} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{CO}_{2}\text{Me} \\ \\ \textbf{9c} \end{array}$$

(*E*)-Methyl 3-(4-methoxyphenyl)acrylate (9c). To a solution of anisaldehyde 10c (2.00 g, 14.7 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (60 mL) was added methyl (triphenylphosphoranylidene)acetate (5.90 g, 17.6 mmol) in one portion. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 d and then concentrated in vacuo. The residue containing Ph₃P=O and the acrylate was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 5:1) to give the cinnamate¹ 9c (2.73 g, 96%) as a colorless solid, m.p. = 86 °C. $R_f = 0.38$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 5:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 3.78 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.82 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 6.30 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.46 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.64 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H, 3-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 51.5 (OCH₃), 55.3

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(OCH₃), 114.3 (Ar), 115.2 (C-2), 127.1 (Ar), 129.7 (Ar), 144.5 (C-3), 161.4 (CO), 167.7 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{11}H_{12}O_3$ [M+Na]⁺: 215.06787; found: 215.06788.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & CHO \\ \hline \textbf{10d} & Ph_3P=CHCO_2Me \\ \hline \textbf{CH}_2Cl_2, \text{ rt, 3 d} \\ (94\%) & \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c|c} & CO_2Me \\ \hline \\ & \textbf{9d} \\ \end{array}$$

(*E*)-Methyl 3-(4-fluorophenyl)acrylate (9d). To a solution of 4-fluorobenzaldehyde (10d) (2.00 g, 16.1 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (65 mL) was added methyl (triphenylphosphoranylidene)acetate (6.45 g, 19.3 mmol) in one portion. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 d and then concentrated in vacuo. The residue containing Ph₃P=O and the acrylate was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 20:1) to give the cinnamate^{2,3} 9d (2.73 g, 94%) as a colorless solid, m.p. = 74 °C. $R_f = 0.29$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 20:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 3.79 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 6.34 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 7.06 (dd, J = 8.7, 8.7 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.49 (dd, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.64 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H, 3-H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 51.7 (OCH₃), 115.6 (d, J = 22.0 Hz, Ar), 117.5 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, C-2), 129.9 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, Ar), 130.6 (d, J = 3.7 Hz, Ar), 143.5 (C-3), 163.9 (d, J = 251.0 Hz, Ar), 167.3 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₀H₉FO₂ [M+Na]⁺: 203.04788; found: 203.04768.

CHO CHO
$$\frac{1. \text{ CH}_2(\text{CO}_2\text{H})_2, \text{ pyridine}}{\text{EtOH, reflux}}$$
 CO₂Me $\frac{\text{EtOH, reflux}}{2. \text{ SOCl}_2, \text{ MeOH reflux (93\%)}}$ O₂N

(*E*)-Methyl 4-nitrocinnamate (9e) (by Knoevenagel reaction). A solution of nitrobenzaldehyde (1.51 g, 0.01 mol), malonic acid (1.14 g, 1.1 equiv), and pyridine (0.25 mL, 0.31 equiv) in ethanol (2 mL) was heated at reflux. Already after 10–15 min a white solid began to precipitate. After 1.5 h, when TLC (EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1:2) indicated complete consumption of the aldehyde, the reaction mixture was cooled and acidified with diluted aqueous HCl. The precipitate was filtered, washed with water and dried in vacuo to afford crude but pure (2*E*)-3-(4-nitrophenyl)acrylic acid in quantitative yield (note: the free acid is soluble in acetone, DMSO, but hardly soluble in CH₂Cl₂, EtOAc). It was taken up in methanol (20 mL), thionyl chloride (1.3 equiv) was carefully added and the resulting suspension was heated at reflux for 1 h. At this time TLC (EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1:2) indicated complete consumption of the acid and the volume of precipitates visually increased. The product was obtained by crystallization directly from the reaction mixture as follows. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo till a thick suspension resulted, that was filtered on a glass frit and the precipitate was washed with a small amount of cold methanol to afford 1.52 g (93%) of pure methyl (2*E*)-3-(4-nitrophenyl)acrylate (9e) as a slightly yellow solid. Analytical data are in agreement with literature data.⁴

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CHO & \underline{Ph_3P=CHCO_2Me} \\ \hline CH_2Cl_2, \ rt \\ \hline (81\%) & \mathbf{9e} \end{array}$$

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(*E*)-Methyl 4-nitrocinnamate (9e) (by Wittig reaction). Taking advantage of the low solubility of the product in cold methanol, the following one-step Wittig reaction procedure was efficiently applied. A solution of nitrobenzaldehyde (1.51 g, 0.01 mol), methyl (triphenylphosphoranylidene)acetate (4.0 g, 1.2 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) was stirred overnight (slighty exothermic at the beginning) at room temperature. Then it was concentrated in vacuo to dryness, the residue was suspended in a small amount of methanol, enough to dissolve the bulk of triphenylphosphineoxide, the precipitate was filtered and washed with cold methanol to afford pure methyl (2*E*)-3-(4-nitrophenyl)acrylate (9e) (1.68 g, 81%).

(E)-Methyl 4-phenylcinnamate (9k). This was obtained by the same procedure as (2E)-3-(4-nitrophenyl)acrylate (9e). Thus, a solution of 4-biphenylcarbaldehyde (10k) (1.09 g, 6.0 mmol) and methyl (triphenylphosphoranylidene)acetate (2.40 g, 1.2 equiv) in CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) was stirred at room temperature overnight. To monitor the progress of the reaction, a small sample was taken, evaporated and directly analyzed by NMR. (If the reaction was not finished completely, then additional methyl (triphenylphosphoranylidene)acetate should be added to achieve complete conversion.) The mixture was concentrated in vacuo to dryness, the residue was suspended in a small amount of methanol (but enough to dissolve the bulk of triphenylphosphineoxide), the precipitate was filtered and washed with cold methanol to afford pure methyl (2E)-methyl 4-phenylcinnamate (9k) (1.42 g, 99%). The analytical data were in agreement with previously reported data.⁵

(*E*)-Methyl 4-formylcinnamate (13). A dry Schlenk vessel was charged with anhydrous NaOAc (2.7 g, 33.0 mmol), *p*-bromobenzaldehyde (5.55 g, 30.0 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (2.6 mg, 0.04% mol) and anhydrous NMP (40 mL). Nitrogen atmosphere was applied and methyl acrylate (3.9 mL, 43.3 mmol, 1.4 equiv) was introduced via syringe and the reaction mixture was heated at 115–120 °C for 40–60 min to complete the reaction (TLC control EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1:4, R_f 0.45). The resulting orange to red solution containing a white precipitate was diluted with water (100 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (2 × 70 mL). The combined organic layers were washed twice with water, once with saturated NaCl solution, dried over Na₂SO₄, and filtered. The solvent was evaporated in vacuo to leave crude methyl (2*E*)-3-(4-formylphenyl)acrylate (5.63 g, 99%) as a yellow solid, which was almost pure and was used in synthesis of cinnamate **9g** without further purification. The analytical data were in agreement with the previously reported ones.⁶

OHC 13 CO
$$_2$$
Me 1. NaBH $_4$, MeOH rt, 1 h 2. TBSCI, imid. CH $_2$ CI $_2$, rt, 1 h OTBS 9g

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(E)-Methyl 4-[tert-butyldimethylsilyloxymethyl]cinnamate (9g). To a stirred solution of methyl (2E)-3-(4-formylphenyl)acrylate (13) (1.48 g, 7.8 mmol) in methanol (10 mL) was added NaBH₄ (0.3 g, 7.9 mmol) portionwise. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature, and then it was concentrated, diluted with water and extracted with EtOAc. The organic phase was washed with saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated to afford crude benzyl alcohol (1.42 g, quantitative yield, TLC: EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1:2, R_f 0.2). The alcohol was dissolved in dry CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) and TBSCl (1.22 g, 8.1 mmol, 1.1 equiv) was added. Then, imidazole (0.554 g, 8.1 mmol, 1.1 equiv) was added portionwise while cooling the reaction flask in a cold water bath. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature (TLC: EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1:2, $R_{\rm f}$ 0.8), the precipitate was filtered off and washed with portions of EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated and the residue purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1:10) through a short column to afford the title compound (1.95 g, 82%) as an oil which crystallizes upon standing. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.09$ (s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.94 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 3.79 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.74 (s, 2H, CH₂O), 6.41 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (d 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.48 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.68 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -5.3$ (SiCH₃), 18.4 (C(CH₃)₃), 25.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 51.7 (OCH₃), 64.6 (CH₂Ar), 117.2, 126.4 (2C, Ar), 128.0 (2C, Ar), 133.0 (quat.), 144.1 (quat.), 144.8, 167.6 (CO₂CH₃).

(*E*)-Methyl 3-(4-cyanophenyl)acrylate (9i). This compound was prepared from *p*-bromobenzonitrile by the same procedure as described for (2E)-3-(4-formylphenyl)acrylate in quantitative yield. Thus, a dry Schlenk vessel was charged with anhydrous NaOAc (0.9 g, 11 mmol), *p*-bromobenzonitrile (1.82 g, 10.0 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (1.0 mg, 0.04% mol) and anhydrous NMP (10 mL). Nitrogen atmosphere was applied and methyl acrylate (1.4 mL, 15.5 mmol, 1.55 equiv) was introduced via syringe and the reaction mixture was heated at 115–120 °C for 40–60 min to complete the reaction (TLC control: EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1:2, $R_{\rm f}$ 0.53). The resulting slightly orange solution containing a white precipitate was diluted with water (30 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (2 × 25 mL). The combined organic layers were washed twice with water, once with saturated NaCl solution, dried over Na₂SO₄, and filtered. The solvent was evaporated in vacuo to leave crude acrylate 9i (1.91 g, 100%) as a slightly yellow solid (TLC: EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1:2, $R_{\rm f}$ 0.53). Analytical data were in agreement with previously reported ones. ⁶

1-Bromo-4-[(2-tert-butyldimethylsilyloxy)ethyl]benzene (15). To a solution of 2-(4-bromophenyl)acetic acid (14) (4.30 g, 20.0 mmol) in absolute THF (40 mL) was slowly added LiAlH₄ (0.608 g, 16.0 mmol, 0.8 equiv) while cooling the reaction flask in a cold water bath. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight (actually, this may be too much), then water (2 mL) was carefully added, the resulting suspension was diluted with EtOAc, the precipitate was filtered off (using a paper filter) and washed three times with portions of EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated and diluted with a small amount of CH₂Cl₂. This mixture was filtered and the filtrate concentrated in vacuo to leave the crude alcohol as slightly turbid oil (2.94 g, 73%). The crude alcohol was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL), TBSCl (2.31 g, 15.3 mmol, 1.05 equiv) was added

and imidazole (1.09 g, 16.0 mmol, 1.1 equiv) was added portionwise while cooling the reaction flask in a cold water bath. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature (TLC control: EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1:2), the precipitate was filtered off, the filtrate was concentrated and the residue purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1:10) to afford silyl ether **15** (3.31 g, 72%) as a colorless oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -0.04$ (s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.85 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 2.75 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H, ArCH₂), 3.79 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.76 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H, CH₂O), 7.07 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.38 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar).

(*E*)-Methyl 3-(4-(2-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)ethyl)phenyl)acrylate (9h). To a solution of aryl bromide 15 (2.629 g, 8.34 mmol) in absolute THF (35 mL) was added butyllithium (3.2 mL of a 2.5M solution in hexane, 1.05 equiv) dropwise at -90 °C followed by stirring of the mixture at -90-80 °C for 1 h. Then the reaction mixture was cooled to -100 °C and DMF (1.29 mL, 16.7 mmol, 2 equiv) was introduced quickly in one portion by syringe. The cooling bath was removed and the mixture was allowed to warm to -10 °C within 30 min and quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl solution. Some EtOAc was added to the mixture to allow for better phase separation. The organic layer was washed with saturated NaCl solution, dried with MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo to afford crude aldehyde 16 in essentially quantitative yield as colorless oil which was used in the next step without purification (the reaction was practically clean).

To the solution of crude aldehyde **16** in dry CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) was added methyl (triphenylphosphoranylidene)acetate (3.0 g, 8.98 mmol) and the mixture was stirred overnight at room temperature. The reaction was conveniently controlled by NMR. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue subjected to flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 4:1) to yield the cinnamic ester **9h** (2.01 g, 83% from bromide **15**) as a colorless oil. It should be noted, that complete conversion should be checked, otherwise it is much more difficult to separate cinnamate **9g** from the starting aldehyde **16** by chromatography. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) 0.75; 1 H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -0.04$ (s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.85 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 2.82 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H, ArCH₂), 3.79 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.80 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H, CH₂O), 6.40 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.43 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.67 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H, 3-H); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -5.5$ (SiCH₃), 18.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 25.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 39.4, 51.6 (OCH₃), 64.1 (CH₂Ar), 117.0 (=CH), 128.0 (C_{ar}), 129.8 (C_{ar}), 132.3 (C_{ar}), 142.1 (C_{ar}), 144.9 (=CH), 167.6 (CO₂CH₃).

Procedures for Scheme 3

Me Solution (A)
$$\frac{\text{CO}_2\text{Me}}{\text{Me}}$$
 $\frac{\text{K}_2\text{OsO}_2(\text{OH})_4}{(\text{DHQD})_2\text{PHAL}}$ $\frac{\text{CO}_2\text{Me}}{\text{Me}}$ $\frac{\text{K}_3\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_{6,}}{\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3}$ $\frac{\text{Me}}{\text{Me}}$ $\frac{\text{OH}}{\text{OH}}$ $\frac{\text{CO}_2\text{Me}}{\text{OH}}$ $\frac{\text{CO}_2\text{Me}}{\text{OH}}$

(2S,3R)-Methyl 2,3-dihydroxy-3-p-tolylpropanoate (17b). To a mixture of $K_3Fe(CN)_6$ (1.68 g, 5.11 mmol), (DHQD)₂PHAL (13.0 mg, 0.017 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (0.71 g, 5.11 mmol) in $tBuOH/H_2O$ (16 mL, 1:1) were added $K_2OsO_2(OH)_4$ (3.0 mg, 0.007 mmol) and $MeSO_2NH_2$ (0.162 g, 1.70 mmol). The mixture was stirred for 15 min, then cooled to 0 °C before cinnamate 9b (0.30

g, 1.7 mmol) was added in one portion. The mixture was now stirred for 5 h while it warmed to room temperature. Thereafter, solid Na₂SO₃ (1.3 g), water (8 mL) and EtOAc (15 mL) were added. After separation of the layers, the aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc (2 × 15 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with cold 1n NaOH solution (15 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude diol was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1) providing diol⁷ **17b** (0.288 g, 80%) as a colorless solid, m.p. = 85 °C (ref.⁷ m.p. 97.5–99 °C). R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 3:2) 0.32; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = -8.2$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂) {ref.⁷ *ent*-**17b** $[\alpha]^{25}_D = +6.3$ (c 1.00, EtOH)}; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 2.34$ (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.76 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.13 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.80 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.34 (dd, J = 6.1, 3.1 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.98 (dd, J = 7.1, 2.8 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.17 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.27 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 21.1$ (CH₃), 52.8 (OCH₃), 74.3 (C-3), 74.1 (C-2), 126.1 (Ar), 129.1 (Ar), 136.1 (Ar), 137.8 (Ar), 173.2 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₁H₁₄O₄ [M+Na]⁺: 233.07843; found: 233.07837.

MeO
$$\frac{\text{CO}_2\text{Me}}{\text{9c}}$$

$$\frac{\text{K}_2\text{OsO}_2(\text{OH})_4}{\text{(DHQD)}_2\text{PHAL, NMO}}}{\text{tBuOH/H}_2\text{O, 0 °C to rt}}$$

$$\frac{\text{MeO}}{\text{MeO}}$$

$$\frac{\text{OH}}{\text{OH}}$$

$$\frac{\text{CO}_2\text{Me}}{\text{OH}}$$

$$\frac{\text{TRuOH/H}_2\text{O, 0 °C to rt}}{\text{(89\%)}}$$

(2S,3R)-Methyl 2,3-dihydroxy-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)propanoate (17c). To a solution of cinnamate **9c** (1.00 g, 5.20 mmol) in *t*-BuOH (4 mL) were added successively (DHQD)₂PHAL (18.0 mg, 0.026 mmol) and NMO (0.774 g, 5.57 mmol, 60% solution in H₂O, 1.24 mL). The mixture was cooled to 0 °C before K₂OsO₂(OH)₄ (4.0 mg, 0.01 mmol) was added. The cooling bath was removed and the mixture stirred for 2 h at room temperature. Then solid Na₂SO₃ (0.8 g), water (4 mL) and EtOAc (10 mL) were added. After separation of the layers, the aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc (2 × 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude diol was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1) providing diol **17c** (1.05 g, 89%) as a colorless solid, m.p. = 103 °C (ref.⁷ m.p. 106–107 °C). [α]²⁰_D = –5.8 (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂) {ref.⁷ *ent*-**17c** [α]²⁵_D = +5.5 (*c* 1.00, EtOH)}; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 2.92 (bs, 2H, 2 × OH), 3.78 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.79 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.31 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.93 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 52.8 (OCH₃), 55.2 (OCH₃), 74.1 (C-3), 74.8 (C-2), 113.8 (Ar), 127.5 (Ar), 132.0 (Ar), 159.4 (Ar), 173.2 (CO); HRMS (ESI): *m/z*: calcd for C₁₁H₁₄O₅ [*M*+Na]⁺: 249.07334; found: 249.07327.

(2S,3R)-Methyl 3-(4-fluorophenyl)-2,3-dihydroxypropanoate (17d). To a mixture of $K_3Fe(CN)_6$ (2.19 g, 6.66 mmol), (DHQD)₂PHAL (17.0 mg, 0.022 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (0.92 g, 6.66 mmol) in $tBuOH/H_2O$ (22 mL, 1:1) were added $K_2OsO_2(OH)_4$ (3.3 mg, 0.009 mmol) and $MesO_2NH_2$ (0.211 g, 2.22 mmol). The mixture was stirred for 15 min, then cooled to 0 °C before cinnamate 9d (0.40 g, 2.22 mmol) was added in one portion. The mixture was now stirred for 2 h while it warmed to

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room temperature. Thereafter, solid Na₂SO₃ (1.7 g), water (10 mL) and EtOAc (20 mL) were added. After separation of the layers, the aqueous phase was extracted with EtOAc (2 × 15 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with cold 1N NaOH solution (15 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude diol was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1) providing diol **17d** (0.345 g, 72%) as a colorless solid, m.p. = 74 °C (ref.⁷ m.p. 61.5–62.5 °C). R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 3:2) 0.32; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -8.6$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂) {ref.⁷ ent-**17d** $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +9.1$ (c 1.00, EtOH)}; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 2.95$ (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.27 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.78 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.30 (dd, J = 6.1, 3.1 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.96 (dd, J = 6.9, 3.1 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.00–7.07 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.33–7.38 (m, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 52.9$ (OCH₃), 73.8 (C-3), 74.6 (C-2), 115.3 (d, J = 21.2 Hz, Ar), 128.0 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, Ar), 135.7 (d, J = 2.9 Hz, Ar), 162.5 (d, J = 246.6 Hz, Ar), 173.0 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd for C₁₀H₁₁FO₄ [M+Na]⁺: 237.05336; found: 237.05334.

(2S,3R)-Methyl 3-(4-cyanophenyl)-2,3-dihydroxypropanoate (17e). A mixture of K₃Fe(CN)₆ (7.22 g, 22.0 mmol, 3 equiv), K₂CO₃ (3.04 g, 22.0 mmol, 3 equiv), MeSO₂NH₂ (0.70 g, 7.37 mmol, 1 equiv), K₂OsO₂(OH)₄ (10 mg, 0.027 mmol, 0.0037 equiv), and the ligand (DHQD)₂PHAL (57 mg, 0.073 mmol, 0.01 equiv) was stirred in a mixture of water (35 mL) and tBuOH (35 mL) until dissolved and then the solution was cooled to 0 °C in an ice bath. At this point cinnamate 9e (1.52 g, 7.34 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was allowed to reach room temperature slowly while being stirred overnight, at which time a yellow suspension was formed and complete or almost complete conversion was observed according to TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1). Then solid Na₂SO₃ (9.2 g, 73.4 mmol, 10 equiv) was added and the mixture was stirred for several min. The suspension was filtered, and the filter cake was washed with EtOAc. The filtrate was transferred to a separatory funnel, the organic phase was separated, and the water phase was extracted twice with EtOAc. The combined organic extracts were washed with saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 95:5) to afford pure diol 17e (0.698 g, 39%) as a colorless solid.

Sometimes it was difficult to purify the diol from CH₃SO₃NH₂ (as a contaminant in different compounds comes at $\delta = 3.08-3.10$ (s, 3H), 4.67–4.79 (bs, 2H)), but the sulfone amide impurity did not influence the next Mitsunobu azidation as was established later. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 2.81$ (bs, 1H, OH), 3.13 (bs, 1H, OH), 3.86 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.39 (bs, 1H, 2-H), 5.14 (bs, 1H, 3-H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 8.23 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar).

In one experiment, after extraction of the reaction mixture with THF/EtOAc, the organic extract was concentrated (but not till dyness) and some precipitate (the salt), insoluble in EtOAc, was isolated by filtration. It was taken up in diluted HCl and extracted with EtOAc. Upon evaporation of the solvent, white crystals were obtained, soluble in EtOAc, but insoluble in CHCl₃, that was proved to be an acid, the product of saponification of **17e**. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): $\delta = 4.16$ (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 5.04 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.65 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H, Ar), 8.17 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H, Ar).

3-(4-((tert-butyldimethylsilyloxy)methyl)phenyl)-2,3-dihydroxypropanoate (2S,3R)-Methyl (17g). Representative procedure. A mixture of K₃Fe(CN)₆ (3.68 g, 11.2 mmol, 3 equiv), K₂CO₃ (1.54 g, 11.2 mmol, 3 equiv), KHCO₃ (0.374 g, 3.74 mmol, 1 equiv), MeSO₂NH₂ (0.356 g, 3.74 mmol, 1 equiv), K₂OsO₂(OH)₄ (14 mg, 0.038 mmol, 0.01 equiv), and the ligand (DHQD)₂PHAL (44 mg, 0.056 mmol, 0.015 equiv) was stirred in a mixture of water (18 mL) and tBuOH (18 mL) until dissolved and then the solution was cooled to 0 °C in an ice bath. At this point cinnamate 9g (1.15 g, 3.74 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was allowed to reach room temperature slowly while being stirred for 8-9 h, at which time a yellow suspension was formed and complete or almost complete conversion was observed according to TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1). Then solid Na₂SO₃ (1.74 g, 13.8 mmol, 3.7 equiv) was added and the mixture was stirred for several min. The suspension was filtered, and the filter cake was washed with EtOAc. The filtrate was transferred to a separatory funnel, the organic phase was separated, and the water phase was extracted twice with EtOAc. The combined organic extracts were washed with saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, gradient $2:1 \rightarrow 1:1 \rightarrow 0:1$) to afford pure diol 17g (1.18 g, 93%) as a colorless oil. $[\alpha]^{20}_{D} = -3.8$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -0.09$ (s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.93 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 2.68 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.06 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.81 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.36 (dd, J = 2.7, 6.1 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.73 (s, 2H, CH₂O), 5.00 (dd, J = 2.7, 6.4 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.32 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.36 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar); HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{17}H_{28}O_5Si$: 363.15982 [M+Na]⁺; found: 363.15993.

(2S,3R)-Methyl 3-(4-(2-(tert-butyldimethylsilyloxy)ethyl)phenyl)-2,3-dihydroxypropanoate (17g). A mixture of K₃Fe(CN)₆ (6.17 g, 18.8 mmol, 3.16 equiv), K₂CO₃ (2.60 g, 18.8 mmol, 3.16 equiv), MeSO₂NH₂ (0.596 g, 6.3 mmol, 1.1 equiv), K₂OsO₂(OH)₄ (9 mg, 0.024 mmol, 0.004 equiv), and the ligand (DHQD)₂PHAL (49 mg, 0.063 mmol, 0.01 equiv) was stirred in a mixture of water (30 mL) and tBuOH (30 mL) until dissolved and then the solution was cooled to 0 °C in an ice bath. At this point cinnamate **9h** (1.90 g, 5.94 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was allowed to reach room temperature slowly while being stirred overnight, at which time a yellow suspension was formed and complete or almost complete conversion was observed according to TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1). Then solid Na₂SO₃ (9.4 g, 74.6 mmol, 12.5 equiv) was added and the mixture was stirred for several minutes. The suspension was filtered, and the filter cake was washed with EtOAc. The filtrate was transferred to a separatory funnel, the organic phase was separated, and the water phase was extracted twice with EtOAc. The combined organic extracts were washed with saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, gradient $2:1 \rightarrow 1:1$) to afford pure diol 17h (1.62 g, 77%) as a colorless oil. $R_{\rm f}$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1) 0.53; $[\alpha]^{20}_{\rm D} = -7.1$ (c 1.00, CH_2Cl_2); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = -0.02$ (s, 6H, $SiCH_3$), 0.86 (s, 9H, $C(CH_3)_3$), 2.81 OCH₃), 4.34 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.99 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.20 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.28 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -5.4$ (SiCH₃), 18.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 25.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 39.2 (ArCH₂), 52.8 (OCH₃), 64.4 (CH₂O), 74.2, 74.7, 126.1 (2C, Ar), 129.3 (2C, Ar), 137.7 (C_{quat}), 139.1 (C_{quat}), 173.2 (CO₂CH₃); HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₈H₃₀O₅Si: 377.17547 [M+Na]⁺; found: 377.17549.

(2S,3R)-Methyl 3-(4-cyanophenyl)-2,3-dihydroxypropanoate (17i). A mixture of K₃Fe(CN)₆ (9.84 g, 30 mmol, 3 equiv), K₂CO₃ (4.14 g, 30 mmol, 3 equiv), MeSO₂NH₂ (0.95 g, 10 mmol, 1 equiv), K₂OsO₂(OH)₄ (15 mg, 0.04 mmol, 0.004 equiv), and the ligand (DHQD)₂PHAL (78 mg, 0.1 mmol, 0.01 equiv) was stirred in a mixture of water (50 mL) and tBuOH (50 mL) until dissolved and then the solution was cooled to 0 °C in an ice bath. At this point cinnamate 9i (1.87 g, 10.0 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was allowed to reach room temperature slowly while being stirred overnight, at which time a yellow suspension was formed and complete or almost complete conversion was observed according to TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1). Then solid Na₂SO₃ (15 g, 119 mmol, 12 equiv) was added and the mixture was stirred for several min. The suspension was filtered, and the filter cake was washed with EtOAc. The filtrate was transferred to a separatory funnel, the organic phase was separated, and the water phase was extracted twice with EtOAc. The combined organic extracts were washed with saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, gradient 1:1 \rightarrow 0:1) to afford pure diol 17i (0.93 g, 42%) as a white solid. Analytical data are in agreement with previously reported.⁸ With this diol it turned out to be more difficult to separate it from CH₃SO₃NH₂. The diol has limited solubility in EtOAc and CH₂Cl₂, but good solubility in acetone and methanol.

(2S,3R)-Methyl 3-(4-cyanophenyl)-2,3-dihydroxypropanoate (17k). A mixture of K₃Fe(CN)₆ (5.78 g, 17.6 mmol, 3.7 equiv), K₂CO₃ (2.03 g, 14.7 mmol, 3.1 equiv), KHCO₃ (1.18 g, 11.8 mmol, 2.5 equiv), MeSO₂NH₂ (0.167 g, 1.76 mmol, 0.37 equiv), K₂OsO₂(OH)₄ (6.5 mg, 0.0177 mmol, 0.0038 equiv), and the ligand (DHQD)₂PHAL (22.9 mg, 0.0294 mmol, 0.0063 equiv) was stirred in a mixture of water (28 mL) and *t*BuOH (28 mL) until dissolved and then the solution was cooled to 0 °C in an ice bath. At this point cinnamate 9k (1.12 g, 4.7 mmol) was added and the reaction mixture was allowed to reach room temperature slowly while being stirred overnight, but complete conversion was not reached. After work up as previously, a crude mixture (0.937 g), containing 49% w/w of unreacted cinnamate, 11% w/w MeSO₂NH₂ and 17k was obtained, that was subjected to a second round of oxidation with K₃Fe(CN)₆ (1.90 g, 5.79 mmol, 3 equiv), K₂CO₃ (0.67 g, 4.9 mmol, 2.5 equiv), KHCO₃ (0.39 g, 3.9 mmol, 2 equiv), K₂OsO₂(OH)₄ (5.1 mg, 0.0139 mmol, 0.0072 equiv), and the ligand (DHQD)₂PHAL (19 mg, 0.0244 mmol, 0.013 equiv) in water (10

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⁸ E. J. Corey, M. C. Noe, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1996**, *118*, 319-329.

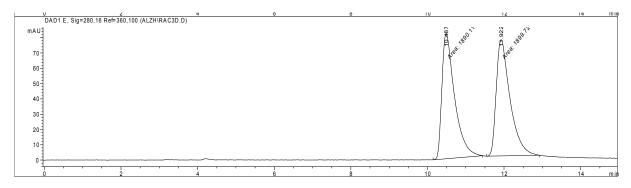
mL), tBuOH (10 mL) and CH_2Cl_2 (4 mL). This time, NMR of crude mixture indicated presence of 8% of starting cinnamate unreacted and at this point the reaction was stopped. After work up as previously, the residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, gradient 2:1 \rightarrow 1:1 \rightarrow 0:1) to afford pure diol **17k** (0.267 g) and a solid mixture of **17k** with MeSO₂NH₂ (0.514 g, containing 90% w/w of **17k**). This mixed fraction was washed with diluted aqueous KOH and, subsequently, with water on a glas frit to afford pure **17k** (0.336 g) as a colorless solid, indicating also a mass loss due to concurrent ester saponification. Total yield was 0.603 g (47%). Diol **17k** has good solubility in CH_2Cl_2 , but limited in EtOAc. R_f (EtOAc) 0.6; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = -8.8$ (c 1.00, CH_2Cl_2); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 2.73$ (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.13 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.84 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.42 (dd, J = 2.5, 5.6 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 5.08 (app d, 1H, 3-H), 7.34 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.42–7.49 (m, 5H, Ar), 7.57–7.61 (d+d, 4H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 53.0$ (OCH₃), 74.1, 74.6, 126.6 (2C_{ar}), 127.1 (2C_{ar}), 127.2 (2C_{ar}), 127.4 (C_{ar}), 128.8 (2C_{ar}), 138.9 (C_{ar}), 140.7 (C_{ar}), 141.0 (C_{ar}), 173.1 (CO_2CH_3); HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{16}H_{16}O_4$: 295.09408 [M+Na]⁺; found: 295.09407.

ee-Determination for some of the diols 17

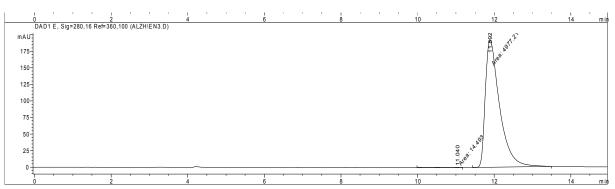
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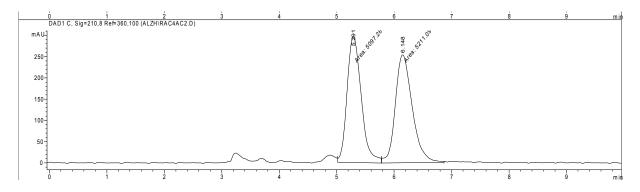


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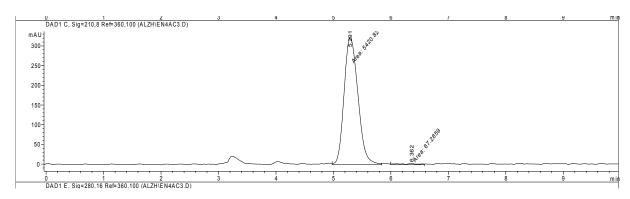


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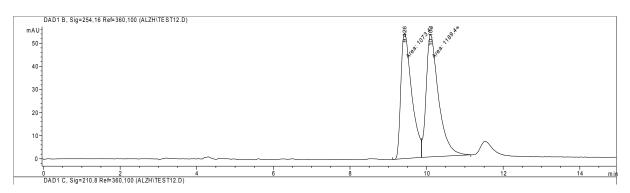
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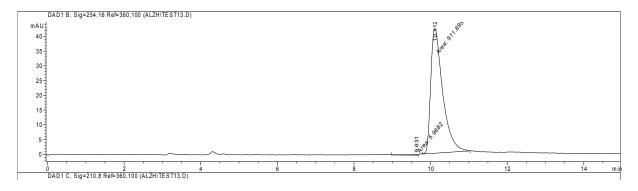
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diol **17i**: CN rac, hexane/iPrOH 70:30, flow 1 mL min⁻¹, injection 5 μ L



CN enantiomer, hexane/iPrOH 70:30, flow 1 mL min $^{-1}$, injection 5 μ L



Ph diol 17k did not provide good separation neither as a diol nor as acetonide.

Preparation of hydrazoic acid solution: Caution: Hydrazoic acid is a highly volatile, toxic and explosive liquid in individual state. However, in solution it is stable and safe. In this study solutions up to 5M were used. Sodium azide (3.0 g, 46 mmol) was mixed with water (1.5 mL) and toluene (10 mL). The suspension was cooled to near 0 °C and concentrated H₂SO₄ (~2 g, ~1.09 mL, 20 mmol) was carefully added while cooling and shaking the round bottom flask (stirring with magnetic stirring bar is not sufficient). Crystals were kneaded with a spatula shortly after the addition of the acid. Then the mixture was filtered under positive pressure and dried with Na₂SO₄ (there was no water phase remained, and no need to separate it from toluene solution). To rapidly estimate the resulting concentration of hydrazoic acid, a known amount of NaOH was dissolved in a small amount of water, phenolphthalein was added and the pink solution was titrated with the hydrazoic acid solution from an analytical pipette (the concentration was found to be 3.3M against theoretical 4.0M).

Note. In the following Mitsunobu reactions, the products **18e** and **18i** were slightly contaminated with diethyl hydrazodicarboxylate (\sim 3 – 5 mol %), having signals δ = 1.28±0.01 (t, 6H), 4.22±0.01 (q, 4H). This impurity does not cause problems in the subsequent steps.

(2*S***,3***S***)-Methyl 3-azido-2-hydroxy-3-***p***-tolylpropanoate (18b). To a stirred solution of diol 17b (0.500 g, 2.38 mmol), triphenylphosphine (0.749 g, 2.85 mmol, 1.2 equiv), hydrazoic acid (1.44 mL, 3.3M in toluene, 2.0 equiv) in THF (7.0 mL) at 0 °C was added DEAD (1.42 mL, 3.09 mmol, 40% wt. solution in toluene, 1.3 equiv) via syringe pump within 5 h. Then the cooling bath was removed and the resulting mixture was stirred for 18 h at ambient temperature. The mixture was treated with saturated NaHCO₃ solution (6 mL). After separation of the layers, the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2 × 15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 4:1) to provide 3-azido propanoate 18b** (0.212 g, 38%) as a colorless oil. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 4:1) 0.25; [α]²⁰_D = +80.0 (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 2.34 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.88 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.72 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.50 (dd, J = 6.7, 4.2 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.83 (d, J = 4.1 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.12–7.24 (m, 4H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 21.2 (CH₃), 52.7 (OCH₃), 67.0 (C-3), 73.7 (C-2), 127.7 (C_{ar}), 129.4 (C_{ar}), 131.2 (C_{ar}), 138.8 (C_{ar}), 171.8 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₁H₁₃N₃O₃ [M+Na]⁺: 258.08491; found: 258.084882.

(2S,3S)-Methyl 3-azido-2-hydroxy-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)propanoate (18c). To a stirred solution of diol 17c (0.40 g, 1.77 mmol), triphenylphosphine (0.557 g, 2.12 mmol, 1.2 equiv), hydrazoic acid (2.2 mL, 1.6M in toluene, 2.0 equiv) in THF (5.0 mL) at 0 °C was added DEAD (1.05 mL, 2.30 mmol, 40% wt. solution in toluene, 1.3 equiv) via syringe pump within 5 h. Then the cooling bath was removed and the resulting mixture was stirred for 18 h at ambient temperature. The mixture was treated with saturated NaHCO₃ solution (4 mL). After separation of the layers, the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2 × 15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography

(petroleum ether/EtOAc, 3:1) to provide 3-azido propanoate **18c** (0.211 g, 48%) as a colorless oil. A small amount of the *syn*-diastereomer (41 mg, 9%, $R_{\rm f}$ 0.25) was also isolated as an oil. $R_{\rm f}$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 3:1) 0.22; $\left[\alpha\right]^{20}_{\rm D}$ = +92.6 (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 2.89 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.72 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.80 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.50 (dd, J = 6.4, 4.1 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.81 (d, J = 4.1 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.20–7.29 (m, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 52.8 (OCH₃), 55.2 (OCH₃), 66.7 (C-3), 73.7 (C-2), 114.1 (C_{ar}),126.1 (C_{ar}), 129.1 (C_{ar}), 160.0 (C_{ar}), 171.8 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₁H₁₃N₃O₄ [M+Na]⁺: 274.07983; found: 274.079893.

(2S,3S)-Methyl 3-azido-3-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-hydroxypropanoate (18d). To a stirred solution of diol **17d** (0.300 g, 1.40 mmol), triphenylphosphine (0.441 g, 1.68 mmol, 1.2 equiv), hydrazoic acid (0.85 mL, 3.3M in toluene, 2.0 equiv) in THF (4.0 mL) at 0 °C was added DEAD (0.835 mL, 1.82 mmol, 40% wt. solution in toluene, 1.3 equiv) via syringe pump within 5 h. Then the cooling bath was removed and the resulting mixture was stirred for 18 h at ambient temperature. The mixture was treated with saturated NaHCO₃ solution (4 mL). After separation of the layers, the aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2 × 15 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 4:1) to provide 3-azido propanoate **18d** (0.119 g, 36%) as a colorless oil. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 4:1) 0.20; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +41.7$ (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 2.97 (bs, 1H, OH), 3.72 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.52 (d, J = 4.1 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.86 (d, J = 4.1 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 6.99–7.10 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.28–7.39 (m, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 52.8 (OCH₃), 66.4 (C-3), 73.6 (C-2), 115.7 (d, J = 21.2 Hz, C_{ar}), 129.6 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, C_{ar}), 130.2 (d, J = 2.9 Hz, C_{ar}), 162.6 (d, J = 148.1 Hz, C_{ar}), 171.7 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₁H₁₀FN₃O₃ [M+Na]⁺: 262.05984; found: 262.05972.

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(2S,3S)-Methyl 3-azido-2-hydroxy-3-(4-nitrophenyl)propanoate (18e). To a stirred solution of diol 17e (0.228 g, 0.946 mmol), triphenylphosphine (0.297 g, 1.14 mmol, 1.2 equiv), hydrazoic acid (0.86 mL, 3.3M in toluene, 3 equiv) in THF (2.0 mL) at -25 °C was added DEAD (0.56 mL, 0.535 g, 1.23 mmol, 40% wt. solution in toluene, 1.3 equiv), then the cooling bath was removed (slight evolution of N₂ was observed) and the resulting mixture was stirred overnight at ambient temperature (TLC control: petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1; NMR control: a sample portion was taken from the reaction mixture, evaporated and directly analyzed by NMR). Then the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 4:1 to 2:1) to yield 3-azido propanoate 18e (0.145 g, 58%) as a slightly orange oil which solidified into a waxy solid upon standing. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1) 0.55; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +101.1$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 3.11$ (bs, 1H, OH), 3.73 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.58 (d, 1H, 2-H), 5.08 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.53 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, Ar), 8.23 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 53.1$ (OCH₃), 66.4 (C-3), 73.7 (C-2), 123.7 (C_{ar}), 128.7

(C_{ar}), 141.8 (C_{ar}), 148.1 (C_{ar}), 171.3 (CO_2CH_3); HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{10}H_{10}N_4O_5$ [M+Na]⁺: 289.05434; found: 289.05431.

(2S,3S)-Methyl 3-azido-3-(4-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)methyl)phenyl)-2-hydroxypropanoate (**18g).** To a stirred solution of diol **17g** (1.06 g, 3.1 mmol), triphenylphosphine (0.98 g, 3.72 mmol, 1.2 equiv), hydrazoic acid (4.7 mL, 2.0M in toluene, 3 equiv) in THF (7.0 mL) at –25 °C was added DEAD (1.7 mL, 4.03 mmol, 40% wt. solution in toluene, 1.3 equiv), then the cooling bath was removed (slight evolution of N₂ was observed) and the resulting mixture was stirred overnight at ambient temperature. Then the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 8:1 to 2:1) to yield 3-azido propanoate **18g** (0.719 g, 63%) as colorless oil. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) 0.6; [α]²⁰_D = +75.5 (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.09 (s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.93 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 2.88 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H, OH), 3.71 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.51 (dd, *J* = 4.1, 6.6 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.73 (s, 2H, CH₂O), 4.86 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = –5.3 (SiCH₃), 18.4 (*C*(CH₃)₃), 25.9 (*C*(*C*(CH₃)₃), 52.7 (OCH₃), 64.5 (*C*H₂Ar), 67.0 (C-3), 73.7 (C-2), 126.2 (C_{ar}), 126.7 (C_{ar}), 132.7 (C_{ar}), 142.3 (C_{ar}), 171.8 (*C*O₂CH₃); HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₇H₂₇N₃O₄Si [M+Na]⁺: 388.16630; found: 388.16639.

(2S,3S)-Methyl 3-azido-3-(4-(2-(tert-butyldimethylsilyloxy)ethyl)phenyl)-2-hydroxypropanoate (18h). To a stirred solution of diol 17h (1.18 g, 3.33 mmol), triphenylphosphine (1.05 g, 4.00 mmol, 1.2 equiv), hydrazoic acid (4.2 mL, 2.4m in toluene, 3 equiv) in THF (7.0 mL) at -25 °C was added DEAD (1.83 mL, 4.33 mmol, 40% wt. solution in toluene, 1.3 equiv), then the cooling bath was removed (slight evolution of N₂ was observed) and the resulting mixture was stirred overnight at ambient temperature. Then the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 8:1 to 2:1) to yield 3-azido propanoate 18h (0.997 g, 80%) as a colorless oil. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) 0.6; $[\alpha]^{20}_D$ = +70.0 (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.06$ (s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.84 (s, 9H, $C(CH_3)_3$, 2.80 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H, ArCH₂), 2.86 (brs, 1H, OH), 3.72 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.79 (t, J = 6.9Hz, 2H, CH₂OTBS), 4.5 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.84 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.24 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -5.5$ (SiCH₃), 18.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 25.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 39.2 (ArCH₂), 52.7 (OCH₃), 64.2 (CH₂O), 67.0 (C-3), 73.7 (C-2), 127.7 (C_{ar}) , 129.6 (C_{ar}) , 131.9 (C_{ar}) , 140.3 (C_{ar}) , 171.8 (CO_2CH_3) ; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{18}H_{29}N_3O_4Si [M+Na]^+$: 402.18195; found: 402.18203.

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(25,3S)-Methyl 3-azido-3-(4-cyanophenyl)-2-hydroxypropanoate (18i). To a stirred solution of diol **17i** (0.989 g of crude product containing 0.801 g of diol, 3.5 mmol), triphenylphosphine (1.10 g, 4.2 mmol, 1.2 equiv), hydrazoic acid (3.2 mL, 3.3M in toluene, 3 equiv) in THF (7.4 mL) at –25 °C was added DEAD (2.1 mL, 4.55 mmol, 40% wt. solution in toluene, 1.3 equiv), then the cooling bath was removed (slight evolution of N₂ was observed) and the resulting mixture was stirred overnight at ambient temperature. Then the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) to yield 3-azido propanoate **18i** (0.472 g, 55%) as a colorless oil. $R_{\rm f}$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) 0.24; $R_{\rm f}$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1) 0.68; [α]²⁰_D = +107.6 (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 3.14 (bs, 1H, OH), 3.71 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.55 (bs, 1H, 2-H), 4.94 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.46 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.66 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 53.0 (OCH₃), 66.6 (C-3), 73.7 (C-2), 112.7, 118.2, 128.4 (C_{ar}), 132.3 (C_{ar}), 139.9 (C_{ar}), 171.3 (CO₂CH₃); HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₁H₁₀N₄O₃ [M+Na]⁺: 269.06451; found: 269.06462.

(2*S*,3*S*)-Methyl 3-azido-3-(biphenyl-4-yl)-2-hydroxypropanoate (18k). To a stirred solution of diol 17k (0.514 g, 1.89 mmol), triphenylphosphine (0.594 g, 2.27 mmol, 1.2 equiv), hydrazoic acid (1.7 mL, 3.3M in toluene, 3 equiv) in THF (4.0 mL) at –25 °C was added DEAD (1.09 mL, 2.38 mmol, 40% wt. solution in toluene, 1.26 equiv), then the cooling bath was removed (slight evolution of N₂ was observed) and the resulting mixture was stirred overnight at ambient temperature. Then the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, petroleum ether/EtOAc 5:1 to 2.5:1) to yield 3-azido propanoate 18k (0.433 g, 77%) as a colorless solid. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) 0.3–0.4; $[\alpha]^{20}_{D} = +121.2$ (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 2.97 (bs, 1H, OH), 3.75 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.56 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.92 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.34–7.46 (m, 5H, Ar), 7.57–7.61 (m, 4H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 52.8 (OCH₃), 67.0 (C-3), 73.8 (C-2), 127.1 (C_{ar}), 127.3 (C_{ar}), 127.6 (C_{ar}), 128.2 (C_{ar}), 128.8 (C_{ar}), 133.3 (C_{ar}), 140.3 (C_{ar}), 141.7 (C_{ar}), 171.8 (CO₂CH₃); HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₆H₁₅N₃O₃ [M+Na]⁺: 320.10056; found: 320.10058.

Note. In the following methylation reactions, if the substrate was contaminated with diethyl hydrazodicarboxylate, a product of methylation was formed, presumably a product of *N*-monomethylation, according to NMR. In the corresponding cases, this had the following signals δ = 1.31 (t, 6H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 4.25 (q, 4H). It causes no problems with the further steps.

(2S,3S)-Methyl 3-azido-2-methoxy-3-*p***-tolylpropanoate (19b).** To a solution of α-hydroxy ester **18b** (0.260 g, 1.11 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (14 mL) was added trimethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate (0.572 g, 3.87 mmol, 3.5 equiv) and proton sponge (1.18 g, 5.53 mmol, 5 equiv). The flask was covered with aluminum foil. After stirring the suspension at ambient temperature for 20 h, the reaction mixture was treated with H₂O (10 mL), followed by separation of the layers. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 20 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with 1N HCl (10 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (10 mL), saturated NaCl solution (10 mL), dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 7:1) to yield methyl ether **19b** (0.215 g, 78%) as a colorless oil. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 7:1) 0.30; $\left[\alpha\right]^{20}_D = +47.2$ (c 1.0, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 2.34 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.75 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.74 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.98 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.72 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.18 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.21–7.27 (m, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 21.2 (CH₃), 52.2 (OCH₃), 59.1 (OCH₃), 65.8 (C-3), 83.4 (C-2), 127.9 (C_{ar}), 129.4 (C_{ar}), 132.1 (C_{ar}), 138.7 (C_{ar}), 170.3 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₂H₁₅N₃O₃ [M+Na]⁺: 272.10056; found: 272.10062.

(2S,3S)-Methyl 3-azido-2-methoxy-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)propanoate (19c). To a solution of α-hydroxy ester **18c** (0.130 g, 0.517 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (4 mL) was added trimethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate (0.171 g, 1.16 mmol, 2.2 equiv) and proton sponge (0.354 g, 1.65 mmol, 3.2 equiv). The flask was covered with aluminum foil. After stirring the suspension at ambient temperature for 20 h, the reaction mixture was treated with H₂O (4 mL), followed by separation of the layers. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 10 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with 1n HCl (5 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL), and saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 5:1) to yield methyl ether **19c** (0.100 g, 73%) as a colorless oil. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 5:1) 0.23; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +56.2$ (c 0.5, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 3.35$ (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.72 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.79 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.97 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.70 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 6.89 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.29 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 52.2$ (OCH₃), 55.2 (OCH₃), 59.1 (OCH₃), 65.4 (C-3), 83.4 (C-2), 114.0 (C_{ar}), 127.1 (C_{ar}), 129.3 (C_{ar}), 159.9 (C_{ar}), 170.2 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₂H₁₅N₃O₄ [M+Na]⁺: 288.09548; found: 288.09558.

(2S,3S)-Methyl 3-azido-3-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-methoxypropanoate (19d). To a solution of α -hydroxy ester 18d (0.084 g, 0.351 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) was added trimethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate (0.182 g, 1.23 mmol, 3.5 equiv) and proton sponge (0.376 g, 1.76 mmol, 5 equiv). The flask was covered with aluminum foil. After stirring the suspension at ambient temperature for 20 h, the reaction mixture was treated with H₂O (4 mL), followed by separation of the layers. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2 × 10 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with 1N HCl (5 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL), saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried with

Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 6:1) to yield methyl ether **19d** (0.067 g, 75%) as a colorless oil. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 7:1) 0.22; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +19.1$ (c 1.0, CH_2Cl_2); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 3.37$ (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.73 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.96 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.75 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 6.99–7.11 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.30–7.40 (m, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$): $\delta = 52.3$ (OCH₃), 59.2 (OCH₃), 65.2 (C-3), 83.3 (C-2), 115.7 (d, J = 22.0 Hz, C_{ar}), 129.9 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, C_{ar}), 131.0 (d, J = 2.8, C_{ar}), 162.9 (d, J = 248.1 Hz, C_{ar}), 170.0 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{11}H_{12}FN_3O_3$ [M+Na]+: 276.07549; found: 276.07523.

(2S,3S)-Methyl 3-azido-2-methoxy-3-(4-nitrophenyl)propanoate (19e). To a solution of α hydroxy ester 18e (0.495 g, 1.86 mmol) in dry 1,2-dichloroethane (1.9 mL) was added trimethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate (0.495 g, 3.35 mmol, 1.8 equiv) and proton sponge (0.876 g, 4.09 mmol, 2.2 equiv). The flask was covered with aluminum foil. After stirring the suspension at 40 °C overnight, a small probe was taken from the reaction mixture and quenched with EtOAc/HCl_{ag} for TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1), that indicated full conversion. The reaction mixture was cooled, treated with EtOAc/H₂O, and acidified with 1N HCl to pH 2–3. The precipitate was filtered off and the filtrate was separated. The aqueous phase was extracted once with EtOAc and the combined organic extracts were washed with water, and saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 3:1 to 2:1) to yield methyl ether 19e (0.48 g, 92%) as a slightly orange oil. $R_{\rm f}$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) 0.54; $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = +49.5$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 3.38 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.75 (s, 3H, CO₂CH₃), 3.99 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.89 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.55 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, Ar), 8.22 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, Ar); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta =$ 52.5 (OCH₃), 59.3 (OCH₃), 65.0 (C-3), 83.0 (C-2), 123.8 (C_{ar}), 129.0 (C_{ar}), 142.4 (C_{ar}), 148.1 (C_{ar}), 169.6 (CO_2CH_3); HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{11}H_{12}N_4O_5$ [M+Na]⁺: 303.06999; found: 303.07002.

(2S,3S)-Methyl 3-azido-3-(4-(*(tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)methyl)phenyl)-2-methoxypropanoate (19g). To a solution of α-hydroxy ester 18g (0.674 g, 1.84 mmol) in dry 1,2-dichloroethane (3 mL) was added trimethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate (0.463 g, 3.13 mmol, 1.7 equiv) and proton sponge (0.803 g, 3.75 mmol, 2.04 equiv). The flask was covered with aluminum foil. After stirring the suspension at 40 °C overnight, the reaction mixture was cooled, treated with EtOAc/H₂O, and acidified with 1N HCl to pH 2–3. The precipitate was filtered off and the filtrate was separated. The aqueous phase was extracted once with EtOAc and the combined organic extracts were washed with water, and saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 10:1) to yield methyl ether 19g (0.475 g, 68%) as a colorless oil. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 4:1) 0.49; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +53.7$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.09$ (s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.93 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 3.34 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.74 (s, 3H, CO₂CH₃), 3.97 (d, J = 6.6, 1H, 2-H), 4.74 (s, 2H, CH₂O), 4.74 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.33 (s, 4H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -5.3$ (SiCH₃), 18.4 (C(CH₃)₃), 25.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 52.2

(OCH₃), 59.1 (OCH₃), 64.5 (CH_2Ar), 65.8 (C-3), 83.9 (C-2), 126.2 (C_{ar}), 127.9 (C_{ar}), 133.7 (C_{ar}), 142.2 (C_{ar}), 170.2 (CO_2CH_3); HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{18}H_{29}N_3O_4Si$ [M+Na]⁺: 402.18195; found: 402.18197.

(2S,3S)-Methyl 3-azido-3-(4-(2-(tert-butyldimethylsilyloxy)ethyl)phenyl)-2-methoxypropanoate (19h). To a solution of α-hydroxy ester 18h (0.897 g, 2.3 mmol) in dry 1,2-dichloroethane (3 mL) was added trimethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate (0.578 g, 3.91 mmol, 1.7 equiv) and proton sponge (0.886 g, 4.14 mmol, 1.8 equiv). The flask was covered with aluminum foil. After stirring the suspension at 40 °C overnight, the reaction mixture was cooled, treated with EtOAc/H₂O, and acidified with 1N HCl to pH 2-3. The precipitate was filtered off and the filtrate was separated. The aqueous phase was extracted once with EtOAc and the combined organic extracts were washed with water, and saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 10:1) to yield methyl ether 19h (0.584 g, 77%, based on consumed material) as a colorless oil. The amount of recovered starting material was 0.167 g. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 4:1) 0.49; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +56.9$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); H NMR (400) MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -0.06$ (s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.84 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 2.81 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H, ArCH₂), 3.34 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.74 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.79 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H, CH₂OTBS), 3.96 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.71 (d, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.21 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.27 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -5.5$ (SiCH₃), 18.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 25.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 39.2 (ArCH₂), 52.2 (OCH₃), 59.1 (OCH₃), 64.2 (CH₂O), 65.7 (C-3), 83.4 (C-2), 127.9 (C_{ar}), 129.5 (C_{ar}), 132.9 (C_{ar}) , 140.1 (C_{ar}) , 170.3 (CO_2CH_3) ; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{19}H_{31}N_3O_4Si$ $[M+Na]^+$: 416.19760; found: 416.19771.

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 CO_2Me Me_3OBF_4 proton sponge CO_2Me OMe OMe

(2S,3S)-Methyl 3-azido-3-(biphenyl-4-yl)-2-methoxypropanoate (19i). To a solution of α hydroxy ester 18i (0.574 g, 2.3 mmol) in dry 1,2-dichloroethane (2.3 mL) was added trimethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate (0.621 g, 4.14 mmol, 1.8 equiv) and proton sponge (1.08 g, 5.06 mmol, 2.2 equiv). The flask was covered with aluminum foil. After stirring the suspension at 40 °C overnight, a small probe was taken from the reaction mixture and quenched with EtOAc/HClau for TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1), that indicated full conversion. The reaction mixture was cooled, treated with EtOAc/H₂O, and acidified with 1N HCl to pH 2-3. The precipitate was filtered off and the filtrate was separated. The aqueous phase was extracted once with EtOAc and the combined organic extracts were washed with water, and saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 3:1 to 2:1) to yield methyl ether 19i (0.489 g, 81%) as a colorless oil. $R_{\rm f}$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) 0.41; $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = +59.0 \ (c \ 1.00, \text{CH}_{2}\text{Cl}_{2}); \text{ }^{1}\text{H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl}_{3}): \delta = 3.37 \ (s, 3H, \text{OCH}_{3}), 3.74 \ (s, 3H, \text{OCH}_{3}); \delta = 3.37 \ (s, 3H, \text{OCH}_{3}), 3.74 \ (s, 3H, \text{OCH}_{3}); \delta = 3.37 \ (s, 3H, \text{OCH}_{3}), \delta = 3.3$ CO_2CH_3), 3.97 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.82 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.66 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 52.4$ (OCH₃), 59.2 (OCH₃), 65.3 (C-3), 82.9 (C-2), 112.7, 118.3, 128.8 (C_{ar}), 132.3 (C_{ar}), 140.5 (C_{ar}), 169.6 (CO₂CH₃); HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{12}H_{12}N_4O_3$ [M+Na]⁺: 283.08016; found: 283.08007.

(2S,3S)-Methyl 3-azido-3-(biphenyl-4-yl)-2-methoxypropanoate (19k). To a solution of α hydroxy ester 18k (0.39 g, 1.31 mmol) in dry 1,2-dichloroethane (1.4 mL) was added trimethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate (0.349 g, 2.36 mmol, 1.8 equiv) and proton sponge (0.616 g, 2.2 equiv). The flask was covered with aluminum foil. After stirring the suspension at 40 °C overnight, a small probe was taken from the reaction mixture and quenched with EtOAc/HClaq for TLC (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1), that indicated full conversion. The reaction mixture was cooled, treated with EtOAc/H₂O, and acidified with 1N HCl to pH 2-3. The precipitate was filtered off and the filtrate was separated. The aqueous phase was extracted once with EtOAc and the combined organic extracts were washed with water, and saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 5:1 to 2:1) to yield methyl ether 19k (0.329 g, 81%) as a colorless oil. $R_{\rm f}$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) 0.58; $[\alpha]^{20}_{D} = +86.7 (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂);$ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 3.39 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.77 (s, 3H, OCH₃);$ CO_2CH_3), 4.04 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.82 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.33–7.37 (m, 1H, Ar), 7.42–7.46 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.58–7.62 (m, 4H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 52.3$ (OCH₃), 59.2 (OCH₃), 65.7 (C-3), 83.4 (C-2), 127.1 (C_{ar}), 127.4 (C_{ar}), 127.5 (C_{ar}), 128.4 (C_{ar}), 128.8 (C_{ar}), 134.1 (C_{ar}), 140.4 (C_{ar}), 141.7 (C_{ar}), 170.2 (CO₂CH₃).

(2*S*,3*S*)-Methyl 3-azido-3-(4-carbamoylphenyl)-2-methoxypropanoate (19j). To a suspension of nitrile 19i (65 mg, 0.25 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (30 mg) in methanol (0.53 mL) was added hydrogen peroxide (0.11 mL of 30% solution in water). The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h at room temperature (TLC control: EtOAc). Then it was diluted with water and extracted twice with EtOAc. The combined organic extracts was washed with water, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether, 1:1 to 1:0) to afford the amide 19j (36 mg, 56%) as a colorless oil. A similar yield was obtained in DMF overnight. In contrast, in DMSO the reaction proceeded in several minutes and possibly could deliver higher yield, but in this case the product was not separable from the dimethyl sulfone by-product. R_f (EtOAc) 0.4; $\left[\alpha\right]^{20}_D = +60.9$ (c 1.00, c CH₂Cl₂); r NMR (400 MHz, r CDCl₃): r = 3.35 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.72 (s, 3H, CO₂CH₃), 3.99 (d, r = 6.4 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.81 (d, r = 6.4 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 6.29 (bs, 2H, NH₂), 7.43 (d, r = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.81 (d, r = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Ar); r C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): r = 52.3 (OCH₃), 59.1 (OCH₃), 65.4 (C-3), 83.1 (C-2), 127.7 (C_{ar}), 128.3 (C_{ar}), 133.8 (C_{ar}), 139.1 (C_{ar}), 169.0, 169.9.

Catalytic hydrogenation of the azides 19 to the amino esters 8. Solutions of azides 19b (Me), 19c (OMe), 19d (F), 19h ((CH₂)₂OTBS), 19j (CONH₂), and 19k (Ph) (0.1–0.2M) in methanol were hydrogenated overnight in a round bottom flask connected to a hydrogen filled balloon, using 10% Pd on carbon (catalyst loading: 0.5–1 mol% Pd). Azides 19i (CN) and 19g (CH₂OTBS) were hydrogenated in shorter times, 4 and 2 h, respectively, to avoid reduction of the CN or benzylic C–O bond. In each case full conversion of the azides was observed. The solutions were filtered through celite and the filtrate evaporated to afford pure amino esters 8 in essentially quantitative yields. The amines 8 were used for the subsequent peptide coupling without further purification. When the hydrogenation of azide 19g (CH₂OTBS) was performed overnight, formation of 20% of the corresponding methyl substituted derivative was observed.

(2*S*,3*S*)-Methyl 3-amino-2-methoxy-3-*p*-tolylpropanoate (8b). A solution of azide 19b (0.197 g, 0.790 mmol) in MeOH (7 mL) was hydrogenated at room temperature for 5 h to provide 0.175 g (99%) of amine 8b as a colorless oil. $R_{\rm f}$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 3:7) 0.23; $\left[\alpha\right]^{20}_{\rm D} = -4.7$ (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.78$ (bs, 2H, NH₂), 2.31 (CH₃), 3.37 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.65 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.97 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.23 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.11 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.18 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 21.1$ (CH₃), 51.7 (OCH₃), 57.4 (C-3), 59.0 (OCH₃), 85.4 (C-2), 126.8 (C_{ar}), 129.0 (C_{ar}), 133.2 (C_{ar}), 138.5 (C_{ar}), 171.3 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₂H₁₇NO₃ [M+Na]⁺: 224.12812; found: 224.12803.

(2*S*,3*S*)-Methyl 3-amino-2-methoxy-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)propanoate (8*c*). A solution of azide 19*c* (0.100 g, 0.377 mmol) in MeOH (3 mL) was hydrogenated at room temperature for 5 h to provide 0.089 g (98%) of amine 8*c* as a slightly yellow oil. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 3:7) 0.15; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = -8.8$ (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 1.70 (s, 2H, NH₂), 3.36 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.64 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.77 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.93 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.21 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 6.83 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.21 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 51.7 (OCH₃), 55.2 (OCH₃), 57.1 (C-3), 59.0 (OCH₃), 85.5 (C-2), 113.7 (C_{ar}), 128.0 (C_{ar}), 133.7 (C_{ar}), 158.9 (C_{ar}), 171.3 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₂H₁₇NO₄ [M+Na]⁺: 262.10498; found: 262.10496.

(2*S*,3*S*)-Methyl 3-amino-3-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-methoxypropanoate (8d). A solution of azide 19d (0.239 g, 0.944 mmol) in MeOH (10 mL) was hydrogenated at room temperature for 5 h to provide 0.212 g (99%) of amine 8d as a colorless oil. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 3:7) 0.24; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -5.8$ (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.81$ (bs, 2H, NH₂), 3.37 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.64 (s,

3H, OCH₃), 3.94 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.26 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 6.85–7.04 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.24–7.31 (m, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 51.7$ (OCH₃), 57.0 (C-3), 59.0 (OCH₃), 85.2 (C-2), 115.2 (d, J = 21.2 Hz, C_{ar}), 128.6 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, C_{ar}), 137.14 (d, J = 3.7 Hz, Car), 162.2 (d, J = 245.9 Hz, C_{ar}), 171.1 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₁H₁₄FNO₃ [M+Na]⁺: 228.10305; found: 228.10286.

(2*S*,3*S*)-Methyl 3-amino-3-(4-((*tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxy)methyl)phenyl)-2-methoxypropanoate (8g). A solution of azide 19g (74.0 mg, 0.195 mmol) in MeOH (2 mL) was hydrogenated at room temperature for 2 h to provide 68 mg (99%) of amine 8g as a colorless oil. Longer reaction times might cause reductive cleavage of the benzylic C–O bond. [α]²⁰_D = -6.0 (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.07 (s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.92 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 1.70 (bs, 2H, NH₂), 3.37 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.64 (s, 3H, CO₂CH₃), 3.96 (d, *J* = 5.6, 1H, 2-H), 4.25 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 4.70 (s, 2H, CH₂O), 7.26 (s, 4H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = -5.3 (SiCH₃), 18.4 (*C*(CH₃)₃), 25.9 (C(*C*H₃)₃), 51.7 (OCH₃), 57.5 (C-3), 59.0 (OCH₃), 64.7 (*C*H₂Ar), 85.4 (C-2), 126.0 (C_{ar}), 126.8 (C_{ar}), 131.2 (C_{ar}), 140.7 (C_{ar}), 171.3 (*C*O₂CH₃); HMRS (ESI): *m/z*: calcd for C₁₈H₃₁NO₄Si [*M*+H]⁺: 354.20951; found: 354.20953.

(2*S*,3*S*)-Methyl 3-amino-3-(4-(2-(tert-butyldimethylsilyloxy)ethyl)phenyl)-2-methoxypropanoate (8h). A solution of azide 19h (0.566 g, 1.44 mmol) in MeOH (7 mL) was hydrogenated at room temperature overnight to provide 0.527 g (99%) of amine 8h as a colorless oil. $[\alpha]^{20}_D = -6.4$ (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -0.03$ (s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.86 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 1.73 (bs, 2H, NH₂), 2.78 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H, ArCH₂), 3.36 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.65 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.77 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H, CH₂O), 3.95 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.23 (d, J = 5.7 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.14 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.21 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -5.4$ (SiCH₃), 18.3 (*C*(CH₃)₃), 25.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 39.2 (ArCH₂), 51.7 (OCH₃), 57.4 (C-3), 59.0 (OCH₃), 64.4 (CH₂O), 85.4 (C-2), 126.8 (C_{ar}), 129.1 (C_{ar}), 138.5 (C_{ar}), 139.4 (C_{ar}), 171.3 (CO₂CH₃); HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₉H₃₃NO₄Si [M+H]⁺: 368.22516; found: 368.22538.

(2*S*,3*S*)-Methyl 3-amino-3-(4-cyanophenyl)-2-methoxypropanoate (8i). A solution of azide 19i (43.7 mg, 0.168 mmol) in MeOH (0.9 mL) was hydrogenated at room temperature for 4 h to provide 33.6 mg (85%) of amine 8i as a colorless oil. [α]²⁰_D = -13.7 (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 1.85 (bs, 2H, NH₂), 3.37 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.63 (s, 3H, CO₂CH₃), 3.94 (d, *J* =

5.4 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.31 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.41 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.58 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 51.8$ (OCH₃), 57.4 (C-3), 59.0 (OCH₃), 84.7 (C-2), 111.4, 118.7, 127.9 (C_{ar}), 132.0 (C_{ar}), 146.8 (C_{ar}), 170.6 (CO_2CH_3); HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{12}H_{14}N_2O_3 [M+H]^+$: 235.10772; found: 235.10763.

(2*S*,3*S*)-Methyl 3-amino-3-(4-cyanophenyl)-2-methoxypropanoate (8k). A solution of azide 19k (0.330 g, 1.06 mmol) in MeOH (5 mL) was hydrogenated at room temperature overnight to provide 0.292 g (97%) of amine 8k as a colorless oil which solidified on standing. R_f (EtOAc) 0.3, (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH 10:1) 0.53; [α]²⁰_D = -7.7 (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 2.26 (bs, 2H, NH₂), 3.42 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.67 (s, 3H, CO₂CH₃), 4.05 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, 1H, 2-H), 4.34 (d, J = 5.3 Hz, 1H, 3-H), 7.30–7.34 (m, 1H, Ar), 7.37–7.44 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.53–7.58 (m, 4H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 51.8 (OCH₃), 57.3 (C-3), 59.2 (OCH₃), 85.1 (C-2), 127.0 (C_{ar}), 127.1 (C_{ar}), 127.2 (C_{ar}), 127.5 (C_{ar}), 128.7 (C_{ar}), 140.1 (C_{ar}), 140.5 (C_{ar}), 140.7 (C_{ar}), 171.1 (CO_2 CH₃); HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₁₇H₁₉NO₃ [M+H]⁺: 308.12571; found: 308.125706.

Tripeptide 20b (Me). To a solution of amine **8b** (40 mg, 0.179 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (4 mL) were added acid 6 (70 mg, 0.179 mmol), HOBt (36 mg, 0.269 mmol, 1.5 equiv), iPr₂NEt (0.091 mL, 0.537 mmol, 3 equiv). At 0 °C TBTU (84 mg, 0.269 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added and the reaction was stirred for 2–3 h at room temperature. The mixture was diluted with water (4 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 8 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with 1N HCl solution (5 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL), saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1) gave tripeptide **20b** (80 mg, 75%) as a white foam. $R_{\rm f}$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1) 0.20; $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = +12.6$ (c 0.5, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.90$ (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.41 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 2.28 (s, 3H, ArCH₃), 2.94 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.19–3.29 (m, 1H, CH₂), 3.31-3.36 (m, 1H, CH₂), 3.36 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.59 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.07 (d, J = 4.8Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.46-4.55 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 5.38 (dd, J = 8.7, 4.8 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.43 (d, J= 7.6 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 5.54 (dd, J = 9.9, 6.4 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.90 (s, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 6.98–7.18 (m, 7H, β-Tyr H_{Ar}, Trp Har, β-Tyr NH), 7.29 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H Trp H_{Ar}), 7.57 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.33 (bs, 1H, Trp NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 18.0$ (Ala CH₃), 21.1 (ArCH₃), 23.3 (CH₂), 28.3 (C(CH)₃), 30.7 (NCH₃), 46.7 (Ala CH), 51.8 (OCH₃), 53.9 (β-Tyr CH), 56.7 (Trp CH), 59.1 (OCH₃), 79.5 (C(CH)₃), 82.4 (CHOCH₃), 110.6 (Trp C_{ar}), 111.1 (Trp C_{ar}), 118.4 (Trp C_{ar}), 119.4 (Trp C_{ar}), 122.0 (Trp C_{ar}), 122.2 (Trp C_{ar}), 127.2 (Trp C_{ar}), 127.3 (β-Tyr C_{ar}), 129.1 (β-Tyr C_{ar}), 133.6 (β-Tyr C_{ar}), 136.1 (Trp C_{ar}), 137.6 (Trp C_{ar}), 155.1 (CO), 169.3 (CO), 170.1 (CO), 174.3 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{32}H_{42}N_4O_7$ [M+Na]⁺: 617.29457; found: 617.29448.

Tripeptide 20c (OMe). To a solution of amine 8c (89 mg, 0.372 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (7 mL) were added acid 6 (145 mg, 0.372 mmol), HOBt (75 mg, 0.558 mmol, 1.5 equiv), iPr₂NEt (0.091 mL, 0.537 mmol, 3 equiv). At 0 °C TBTU (174 mg, 0.558 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added and the reaction was stirred for 2–3 h at room temperature. The mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 \times 10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with 1N HCl solution (5 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL), saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1) gave tripeptide **20c** (175 mg, 77%) as a white foam. $R_{\rm f}$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1) 0.32; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +17.6$ (c 1.0, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.91$ (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.40 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 2.95 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.23 (dd, J = 15.5, 9.9 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 3.27–3.34 (m, 1H, CH_2), 3.37 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.59 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.74 (OCH_3), 4.06 (d, J=5.1 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.45–4.56 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 5.35 (dd, J = 8.5, 5.0 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.41 $(d, J = 7.6 \text{ Hz}, 1H, \text{Ala NH}), 5.53 (dd, J = 9.8, 6.5 \text{ Hz}, 1H, \text{Trp CH}), 6.77 (d, J = 8.9 \text{ Hz}, 2H, \beta-\text{Tyr})$ H_{ar}), 6.89 (s, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 7.04–7.12 (m, 2H, β -Tyr NH, Trp H_{ar}), 7.14 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H, β -Tyr H_{ar}), 7.12–7.18 (m, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 7.29 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H Trp H_{ar}), 7.57 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 8.26 (bs, 1H, Trp NH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl): $\delta = 18.0$ (Ala CH₃), 23.3 (CH₂), 28.3 (C(CH)₃), 30.8 (NCH₃), 46.7 (Ala CH), 51.8 (OCH₃), 53.7 (β-Tyr CH), 55.1 (OCH₃), 56.7 (Trp CH), 59.2 (OCH₃), 79.6 (C(CH)₃), 82.4 (CHOCH₃), 110.7 (Trp C_{ar}), 111.1 (Trp C_{ar}), 113.8 (β-Tyr C_{ar}), 118.5 (Trp C_{ar}), 119.4 (Trp C_{ar}), 122.0 (Trp C_{ar}), 122.2 (Trp C_{ar}), 127.2 (Trp C_{ar}), 128.7 (β -Tyr C_{ar}), 128.8 (β -Tyr C_{ar}), 136.1 (Trp C_{ar}), 155.1 (CO), 159.2 (β -Tyr C_{ar}), 169.3 (CO), 170.1 (CO), 174.3 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{32}H_{42}N_4O_8$ [M+Na]⁺: 633.28949; found: 633.28983.

Tripeptide 20d (F). To a solution of amine **8d** (100 mg, 0.440 mmol, 1 equiv) in DMF (8 mL) were added acid **6** (171 mg, 0.440 mmol), HOBt (89 mg, 0.660 mmol, 1.5 equiv), iPr_2NEt (0.225 mL, 1.32 mmol, 3 equiv). At 0 °C TBTU (206 mg, 0.660 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added and the reaction was stirred for 2–3 h at room temperature. The mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with 1N HCl solution (5 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL), saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography

Reduction of azide 19e and coupling of amine 8e with acid 6 to tripeptide 20e (NO₂). A solution of azide 19e (89.6 mg, 0.32 mmol) and PPh₃ (92.2 mg, 0.352 mmol, 1.1 equiv) in of THF (1 mL) was stirred at 40–50 °C for 1 h for clean and complete conversion to the corresponding iminophosphorane (TLC control: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/NH₃, 10:1:0.1, R_f 0.5 for the iminophosphorane). Selected ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) data for the iminophosphorane: $\delta = 7.91$ (d, 2H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.13 (s, 3H). Then water (0.1 mL) was added and the mixture was further stirred at 40–50 °C for ~8 h. Because the R_f values of the iminophosphorane, $Ph_3P=O$ and the resulting amine were all the same, the reaction progress was conveniently monitored by analyzing small evaporated probes taken from the reaction mixture by NMR. Selected ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) data for the amine: $\delta = 8.15$ (d, 2H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 3.39 (s, 3H). When appropriately clean and high (~86%) conversion was achieved, the mixture was evaporated to yield 0.166 g of a sticky oil, containing ~36% w/w amine 8e (assuming the conversion was 80% as the lowest). Then, to a solution of this crude mixture (0.108 mg), containing amine 8e (approx. 38.9 mg, 0.153 mmol, 1.24 equiv of the amine) in DMF (2.3 mL) were added acid 6 (47.7 mg, 0.123 mmol), HOBt (24.9 mg, 0.184 mmol, 1.5 equiv), iPr₂NEt (0.064 mL, 0.369 mmol, 3 equiv). At -10 °C TBTU (59 mg, 0.184 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added and the reaction was stirred for 5-6 h at room temperature. The mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 \times 8 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with 1N NaHSO₄ solution (5 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL), saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) gave tripeptide 20e (58.7 mg, 76%) as a white foam. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) 0.48. $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +4.0$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400) MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.97$ (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.40 (s, 9H, tBu), 2.98 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.17 (dd, J = 15.5, 9.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.38 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.38 (m, 1H, CH₂), 3.61 (s, 3H, CO₂CH₃), 4.07 $(d, J = 5.1 \text{ Hz}, 1H, CHOCH_3), 4.48-4.54 \text{ (m, 1H, Ala CH)}, 5.33 \text{ (d, } J = 7.4 \text{ Hz}, 1H, Ala NH)}, 5.44$ $(dd, J = 8.1, 5.1 \text{ Hz}, 1H, \beta\text{-Tyr CH}), 5.53 (dd, J = 8.9, 7.4 \text{ Hz}, 1H, \text{Trp CH}), 6.89 (s, 1H, \text{Trp H}_{Ar}),$

7.08 (ddd, J = 7.9, 7.1, 0.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.16 (ddd, J = 7.9, 7.1, 0.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.21 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.31 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.34 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.57 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.06 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Ar), 8.21 (s, 1H, Trp NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 17.8$ (Ala CH₃), 23.5 (CH₂), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.9 (NCH₃), 46.7 (Ala CH), 52.1 (OCH₃), 53.8 (β -Tyr CH), 56.8 (Trp CH), 59.3 (OCH₃), 79.7 (C(CH₃)₃), 81.8 (CHOCH₃), 110.5 (quat. Trp), 111.2, 118.5, 119.5, 122.2 (2C, Trp), 123.4 (2C, Ar), 127.1 (quat. Trp), 128.7 (2C, Ar), 136.1 (quat. Trp), 144.3 (quat. Ar), 147.5 (quat. Ar), 155.2 (Boc), 169.5, 169.6, 174.5; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₃₁H₃₉N₅O₉ [M+Na]⁺: 648.26400; found: 648.26502.

Tripeptide 20g (CH₂OTBS). To a solution of amine 8g (52.1 mg, 0.147 mmol, 1.2 equiv) in DMF (2.3 mL) were added acid 6 (47.7 mg, 0.123 mmol), HOBt (24.9 mg, 0.184 mmol, 1.5 equiv), iPr₂NEt (0.064 mL, 3 equiv). At -10 °C TBTU (59 mg, 0.184 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added and the reaction was stirred for 5-6 h at room temperature. The mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with 1N NaHSO₄ solution (5 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL), saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1 to 1:2) gave tripeptide 20g (78.8 mg, 88%) as a white foam. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:2) 0.5; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +11.1$ (c 1.00, CH_2Cl_2); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.09$ (s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.93 (s, 12H, tBu, Ala CH₃), 1.41 (s, 9H, tBu), 2.97 (s, 3H, NCH_3), 3.19 (dd, J = 15.4, 9.7 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 3.34 (dd, J = 15.4, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 3.37 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.58 (s, 3H, CO_2CH_3), 4.06 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H, $CHOCH_3$), 4.49–4.56 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 4.68 (s, 2H, OCH₂), 5.39 (dd, J = 8.8, 5.1 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.43 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 5.50 $(dd, J = 9.7, 6.8 \text{ Hz}, 1H, \text{Trp CH}), 6.82 (d, 1H, \text{Trp H}_{Ar}), 7.04 (d, J = 8.8 \text{ Hz}, 1H, \beta-\text{Tyr NH}), 7.07-$ 7.22 (m, 6H, Ar, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.29 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.57 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.21 (s, 1H, Trp NH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -5.3$ (SiCH₃), 18.1 (C(CH₃)₃), 18.4 (Ala CH₃), 23.4 (CH₂), 25.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.8 (NCH₃), 46.7 (Ala CH), 51.8 (OCH₃), 54.0 (β-Tyr CH), 56.7 (Trp CH), 59.1 (OCH₃), 64.7 (CH₂O), 79.5 (C(CH₃)₃), 82.3 (CHOCH₃), 110.5 (quat. Trp), 111.1, 118.4, 119.4, 122.0, 122.3, 126.2 (2C, Ar), 127.1 (quat. Trp), 127.5 (2C, Ar), 135.5, 136.1 (quat. Trp), 140.9, 155.1 (Boc), 169.3, 170.0, 174.2; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{38}H_{56}N_4O_8Si[M+Na]^+$: 747.37596; found: 747.37575.

Tripeptide 20h (CH₂CH₂OTBS). To a solution of amine 8h (68 mg, 0.185 mmol, 1.2 equiv) in DMF (2.9 mL) were added acid 6 (60 mg, 0.154 mmol), HOBt (31 mg, 0.231 mmol, 1.5 equiv), iPr₂NEt (0.081 mL, 0.462 mmol, 3 equiv). At −10 °C TBTU (74 mg, 0.231 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added and the reaction was stirred for 5-6 h at room temperature. The mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 8 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with 1N NaHSO₄ solution (5 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL), saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1 to 1:2) gave tripeptide **20h** (97.7 mg, 86%) as a white foam. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:2) 0.55; (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1) 0.34; $[\alpha]^{20}_D$ = +10.1 (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -0.01$ (s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.86 (s, 9H, tBu), 0.94 (s, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.41 (s, 9H, tBu), 2.76 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H, CH₂Ar), 2.97 (s, 3H, NCH_3), 3.20 (dd, J = 15.4, 9.6 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 3.34 (dd, J = 15.4, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 3.36 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.58 (s, 3H, CO_2CH_3), 3.79 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H, OCH_2), 4.05 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H, $CHOCH_3$), 4.49–4.56 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 5.37 (dd, J = 8.7, 5.8 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.44 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 5.49 (dd, J = 9.6, 6.8 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.82 (s, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.00 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.05–7.16 (m, 6H, Ar, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.28 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.57 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.31 (s, 1H, Trp NH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -5.4$ (SiCH₃), 18.1 (C(CH₃)₃), 18.3 (Ala CH₃), 23.5 (CH₂), 25.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.8 (NCH₃), 39.2 (CH₂Ar), 46.7 (Ala CH), 51.8 (OCH₃), 53.9 (β-Tyr CH), 56.6 (Trp CH), 59.1 (OCH₃), 64.3 (CH₂O), 79.5 (C(CH₃)₃), 82.3 (CHOCH₃), 110.4 (quat. Trp), 111.1, 118.4, 119.3, 121.9, 122.3, 127.1 (quat. Trp), 127.4 (2C, Ar), 129.2 (2C, Ar), 134.7, 136.1 (quat. Trp), 138.8, 155.1 (Boc), 169.3, 170.0, 174.2; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{39}H_{58}N_4O_8Si[M+Na]^+$: 761.39161; found: 761.39196.

Tripeptide 20i (CN). To a solution of amine **8i** (68 mg, 0.154 mmol, 1.2 equiv) in DMF (2.4 mL) were added acid **6** (50.2 mg, 0.129 mmol), HOBt (26.1 mg, 0.193 mmol, 1.5 equiv), iPr_2NEt (0.068 mL, 0.387 mmol, 3 equiv). At -10 °C TBTU (62.1 mg, 0.193 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added and the reaction was stirred for 5–6 h at room temperature. The mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 8 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with 1N NaHSO₄ solution (5 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL), saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1 to 1:2) gave tripeptide **8i** (67.1 mg, 86%) as a white

foam. [α]²⁰_D = +4.6 (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.95 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.40 (s, 9H, tBu), 2.96 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.24 (dd, J = 15.4, 9.6 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.37 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.38 (dd, J = 15.4, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.60 (s, 3H, CO₂CH₃), 4.05 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.47–4.53 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 5.33 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 5.39 (dd, J = 8.3, 5.1 Hz, 1H, β-Tyr CH), 5.52 (dd, J = 9.6, 6.8 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.89 (s, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.09 (ddd, J = 7.1, 7.1, 0.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.16 (ddd, J = 7.8, 7.1, 0.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.20 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, β-Tyr NH), 7.29 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.31 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.51 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.56 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.22 (s, 1H, Trp NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 17.8 (Ala CH₃), 23.4 (CH₂), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.8 (NCH₃), 46.7 (Ala CH), 52.1 (OCH₃), 54.0 (β-Tyr CH), 56.8 (Trp CH), 59.3 (OCH₃), 79.7 (C(CH₃)₃), 81.8 (CHOCH₃), 110.5 (quat. Trp), 111.1, 111.7 (quat.), 118.4, 118.6 (quat.), 119.5, 122.2 (2C), 127.1 (quat. Trp), 128.5 (2C, Ar), 132.1 (2C, Ar), 136.1 (quat. Trp), 142.3, 155.2 (Boc), 169.6 (2C), 174.5.

Tripeptide 20j (CONH₂). To a solution of amine 8j (40.4 mg, 0.160 mmol, 1.6 equiv) in DMF (2 mL) were added acid 6 (38.9 mg, 0.100 mmol, 1 equiv), HOBt (20.3 mg, 0.150 mmol, 1.5 equiv), *i*Pr₂NEt (0.052 mL, 0.3 mmol, 3 equiv). At −10 °C TBTU (48.2 mg, 0.150 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added and the reaction was stirred for 5-6 h at room temperature. The mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 8 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with 1N NaHSO₄ solution (5 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL), saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 10:1) gave tripeptide **20**j contaminated with DMF and TMU, repeated chromatography using EtOAc afforded clean product (46.1 mg, 74%) as a white foam. R_f (EtOAc) 0.25; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +5.9$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 1.01$ (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.40 (s, 9H, tBu), 3.01 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.12 (dd, J = 15.3, 8.7 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 3.35 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.37 (dd, J = 15.4, 7.4 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 3.58 (s, 3H, CO_2CH_3), 4.05 (d, J = 15.4), 3.58 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 4.05 (d, J = 15.4), 3.58 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 4.05 (d, J = 15.4), 3.58 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 4.05 (d, J = 15.4), 4.05 (d, J = 15.4), 3.58 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 4.05 (d, J = 15.4), 4.05 4.8 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.51–4.57 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 5.37 (dd, J = 8.1, 5.1 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.47 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 5.52 (dd, J = 8.1, 7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.02 (s, 1H, CONH₂), 6.36 (1H, CONH₂), 6.78 (s, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.07 (ddd, J = 7.1, 7.1, 0.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.12–7.16 (m, 2H, Ar, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.25 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.58 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.58 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.58 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.58 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.58 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.58 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.58 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, β -Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.58 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, β -Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.58 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, β -Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, β -Tyr NH), 7.58 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, β -Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, β -Tyr NH), 7.58 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, β -Tyr NH), 7.58 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, β -Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, δ -Tyr NH), 7.58 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, δ -Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, δ -Tyr NH), 7.58 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, δ -Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, δ -Tyr NH), 7.58 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, δ -Tyr NH), δ -Tyr N 7.3 Hz, 3H, Ar, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.49 (s, 1H, Trp NH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 18.07$ (Ala CH₃), 23.8 (CH₂), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.9 (NCH₃), 46.7 (Ala CH), 52.0 (OCH₃), 54.1 (β-Tyr CH), 56.8 (Trp CH), 59.2 (OCH₃), 79.7 (C(CH₃)₃), 82.0 (CHOCH₃), 110.2 (quat. Trp), 111.3, 118.4, 119.4 (quat.), 122.0, 122.5, 127.1 (quat. Trp), 127.4 (2C, Ar), 127.7 (2C, Ar), 132.9, 136.2 (quat. Trp), 140.9, 155.2 (Boc), 169.3, 169.6, 169.9, 174.4; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{32}H_{41}N_5O_8$ [M+Na]⁺: 646.28473; found: 646.28443.

Tripeptide 20k (Ph). To a solution of amine 8k (52.0 mg, 0.182 mmol, 1.2 equiv) in DMF (2.9 mL) were added acid 6 (59.1 mg, 0.152 mmol), HOBt (31 mg, 0.228 mmol, 1.5 equiv), iPr₂NEt (0.08 mL, 0.456 mmol, 3 equiv). At -10 °C TBTU (73 mg, 0.228 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added and the reaction was stirred for 5–6 h at room temperature. The mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with 1N NaHSO₄ solution (5 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (5 mL), saturated NaCl solution (5 mL), dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification of the residue by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1 to 1:2) gave tripeptide 20k (83.3 mg, 83%) as a white foam. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.94$ (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.42 (s, 9H, tBu), 2.97 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.24 (dd, J = 15.8, 9.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.35–3.40 (m, 1H, CH₂), 3.35 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.62 (s, 3H, CO_2CH_3), 4.11 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H, $CHOCH_3$), 4.50–4.57 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 5.44 (d, J =7.6 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 5.47 (dd, J = 8.4, 4.8 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.56 (dd, J = 9.8, 6.4 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.91 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 7.08–7.19 (m, 3H, Trp H_{Ar}, β -Tyr NH), 7.28–7.34 (m, 4H), 7.42 (t, 2H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.54 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.59 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 8.25 (s, 1H, Trp NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 18.0$ (Ala CH₃), 23.3 (CH₂), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.8 (NCH₃), 46.7 (Ala CH), 51.9 (OCH₃), 53.9 (β-Tyr CH), 56.7 (Trp CH), 59.1 (OCH₃), 79.6 (C(CH₃)₃), 83.1 (CHOCH₃), 110.6 (quat. Trp), 111.1, 118.5, 119.4, 122.0, 122.2, 127.0 (2C, Ar), 127.11 (2C, Ar), 127.16 (quat. Trp), 127.3 (2C, Ar), 127.9 (Ar), 128.7 (2C, Ar), 135.7, 136.1 (quat. Trp), 140.6, 140.7, 155.1 (Boc), 169.4, 170.0, 174.4.

Tripeptide acid 21b (Me). To a stirred solution of tripeptide ester **20b** (57.0 mg, 0.096 mmol) in 1,2-dichloroethane (1.5 mL) was added Me₃SnOH (87 mg, 0.480 mmol). After stirring for 5 h at 80 °C, TLC showed complete conversion and the reaction mixture was diluted with KHSO₄ (5% in water, 4 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2×5 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo to afford the crude acid **21b** as a colorless foam.

Tripeptide acid 21c (OMe). To a stirred solution of tripeptide ester **20c** (0.135 g, 0.221 mmol) in 1,2-dichloroethane (3.5 mL) was added Me₃SnOH (160 mg, 0.884 mmol). After stirring for 5 h at 80 °C, TLC showed complete conversion and the reaction mixture was diluted with KHSO₄ (5% in water, 6 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2 × 10 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo to afford the crude acid **21c** as a colorless foam.

Tripeptide acid 21d (F). To a stirred solution of tripeptide ester **20d** (0.057 g, 0.095 mmol) in 1,2-dichloroethane (1.5 mL) was added Me₃SnOH (86 mg, 0.475 mmol). After stirring for 5 h at 80 °C, TLC showed complete conversion and the reaction mixture was diluted with KHSO₄ (5% in water, 4 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (2×5 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo to afford the crude acid **21d** as a colorless foam.

Tripeptide acid 21e (NO₂). To a solution of methyl ester **20e** (55.3 mg, 0.0884 mmol) in THF (0.4 mL) were added water (0.6 mL), methanol (0.3 mL) and NaOH (7.5 mg, 0.188 mmol, 2.1 equiv). The initial biphasic mixture became homogeneous with progressing saponification. After being stirred for 1 h at room temperature until complete conversion (controlled by TLC), the mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and ethyl acetate (8 mL). It was carefully acidified with 1M NaHSO₄ to pH \sim 2 before the layers were separated and the aqueous phase extracted once with ethyl acetate (8

mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water, saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo to afford the crude acid **21e** as a colorless foam. R_f (EtOAc/AcOH, 100:1) 0.4; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.83 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.39 (s, 9H, t-Bu), 2.93 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.18 (dd, J = 15.3, 9.9 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.28–3.34 (m, 1H, CH₂), 3.34 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.98 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.42–4.49 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 5.40 (dd, J = 7.6, 7.1 Hz, 1H, β-Tyr CH), 5.46 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 5.59 (dd, J = 9.9, 7.4 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.88 (s, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.05 (app t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.13 (app t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.21 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H, β-Tyr NH), 7.28 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.41 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.53 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.04 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 8.36 (s, 1H, Trp NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 17.0 (Ala CH₃), 23.2 (CH₂), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.6 (NCH₃), 46.6 (Ala CH), 54.0 (β-Tyr CH), 56.7 (Trp CH), 58.8 (OCH₃), 80.8 (C(CH₃)₃), 82.5 (CHOCH₃), 110.2 (quat. Trp), 111.2, 118.4, 119.5, 122.1, 122.3, 123.5 (2C, Ar), 127.1 (quat. Trp), 128.4 (2C, Ar), 136.1 (quat. Trp), 145.2 (quat. Ar), 147.4 (quat. Ar), 156.3 (Boc), 169.5, 170.7, 174.8; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₃₀H₃₇N₅O₉ [M+Na]⁺: 634.24835; found: 634.24819.

Tripeptide acid 21g (CH₂OTBS). To a solution of methyl ester 20g (75.5 mg, 0.104 mmol) in THF (0.4 mL) were added water (0.6 mL), methanol (0.3 mL) and NaOH (8.0 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.9 equiv). The initial biphasic mixture became homogeneous with progressing saponification. After being stirred for 2 h at room temperature until complete conversion (controlled by TLC), the mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and ethyl acetate (8 mL). It was carefully acidified with 1M NaHSO₄ to pH ~ 2 before the layers were separated and the aqueous phase extracted once with ethyl acetate (8 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water, saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo to afford the crude acid 21g as a colorless foam. Since the saponification was accompanied by partial cleavage of the silvl ether $[R_f]$ (EtOAc/AcOH, 100:1) 0.23 for deprotected acid] the crude material was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether/AcOH, 100:50:0.6) to provide the acid 21g (61.3 mg, 82%) as a white foam, R_f (EtOAc/AcOH, 100:1) 0.57: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.09$ (s. 6H, SiCH₃), 0.77 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H, Ala CH₃), 0.93 (s, 9H, t-Bu), 1.41 (s, 9H, t-Bu), 2.92 (s, 3H, NCH_3), 3.20–3.32 (m, 2H, CH_2), 3.36 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 4.03 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 1H, $CHOCH_3$), 4.41–4.49 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 4.69 (s, 2H, OCH₂), 5.36–5.40 (m, 2H, β -Tyr CH, Ala NH), 5.60 (dd, J = 9.7, 6.6 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.88 (s, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 6.97 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.07 (t, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.14 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.22–7.30 (d, 3H, Ar, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.56 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.24 (s, 1H, Trp NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -5.3$ (SiCH₃), 16.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 18.4 (Ala CH₃), 22.9 (CH₂), 25.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.5 (NCH₃), 46.9 (Ala CH), 54.0 (β-Tyr CH), 56.6 (Trp CH), 58.8 (OMe), 64.6 (CH₂O), 80.6 (C(CH₃)₃), 83.3 (CHOCH₃), 110.2, 111.1, 118.4, 119.3, 121.9, 122.4, 126.2, 127.3 (3C), 136.0, 136.4, 140.9, 156.2 (Boc), 169.2, 171.0, 174.7. HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{37}H_{54}N_4O_8Si$ [M+Na]⁺: 733.36031; found: 733.36067.

Tripeptide acid 21h (CH₂CH₂OTBS). To a solution of methyl ester 20h (94.7 mg, 0.128 mmol) in THF (0.3 mL) were added water (0.7 mL), methanol (0.5 mL) and NaOH (10 mg, 0.25 mmol, 2 equiv). The initial biphasic mixture became homogeneous with progressing saponification. After being stirred for overnight at room temperature until complete conversion (controlled by TLC), the mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and ethyl acetate (8 mL). It was carefully acidified with 1M NaHSO₄ to pH ~ 2 before the layers were separated and the agueous phase extracted once with ethyl acetate (8 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water, saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo to afford the crude acid 21h as a colorless foam. Since the saponification was accompanied by partial cleavage of the silvl ether $[R_f]$ (EtOAc/AcOH, 100:1) 0.31 for deprotected acid] the crude material was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/petroleum ether/AcOH, 100:50:0.6) to provide the acid 21h (74.2 mg, 80%) as a white foam; R_f (EtOAc/AcOH, 100:1) 0.62. In addition, 13.7 mg of the byproduct were isolated. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -0.02$ (s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.79 (s, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 0.86 (s, 9H, t-Bu), 1.42 (s, 9H, t-Bu), 2.78 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H, CH₂Ar), 2.93 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.20– 3.32 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.36 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.78 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H, OCH₂), 4.01 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.42–4.49 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 5.30 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 5.34 (dd, J = 8.9, 5.9 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.60 (dd, J = 9.7, 6.6 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.88 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 6.80 (s, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.07–7.11 (m, 4H, Ar, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.20 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.29 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.56 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.10 (s, 1H, Trp NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ $= -5.4 \text{ (SiCH}_3), 17.0 \text{ (Ala CH}_3), 18.3 (C(CH_3)_3), 23.0 (CH_2), 25.9 (C(CH_3)_3), 28.3 (C(CH_3)_3), 30.4$ (NCH₃), 39.2 (CH₂Ar), 46.9 (Ala CH), 54.0 (β-Tyr CH), 56.5 (Trp CH), 58.7 (OMe), 64.4 (CH₂O), 80.7 (C(CH₃)₃), 83.4 (CHOCH₃), 110.4 (quat. Trp), 111.1, 118.5, 119.4, 122.0, 122.3, 127.20 (2C, Ar), 127.25 (quat. Trp), 129.3 (2C, Ar), 135.7, 136.1 (quat. Trp), 138.7, 156.4 (Boc), 169.2, 171.0, 174.6; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{38}H_{56}N_4O_8Si$ [M+Na]⁺: 747.37596; found: 747.37579.

Tripeptide acid 21i (CN). To a solution of methyl ester **20i** (63.8 mg, 0.105 mmol) in THF (0.3 mL) were added water (0.4 mL), methanol (0.3 mL) and K_2CO_3 (29 mg, 0.21 mmol, 2 equiv). The initial biphasic mixture became homogeneous with progressing saponification. After being stirred overnight at room temperature until complete conversion (controlled by TLC), the mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and ethyl acetate (8 mL). It was carefully acidified with 1M NaHSO₄ to pH \sim 2 before the layers were separated and the aqueous phase extracted once with ethyl acetate (8

mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water, saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo to afford the crude acid **21i** as a colorless foam. R_f (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/AcOH, 10:1:0.1) 0.4; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.81 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.39 (s, 9H, t-Bu), 2.92 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.17 (dd, J = 15.4, 10.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.28–3.33 (m, 1H, CH₂), 3.33 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.96 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.42–4.49 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 5.36 (app t, 1H, β-Tyr CH), 5.43 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 5.58 (app t, 1H, Trp CH), 6.89 (s, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.06 (app t, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.12–7.17 (m, 2H, β-Tyr NH, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.291 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.37 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.50 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.53 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.34 (s, 1H, Trp NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 17.0 (Ala CH₃), 23.1 (CH₂), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.6 (NCH₃), 46.9 (Ala CH), 54.1 (OMe), 56.7 (β-Tyr CH), 58.8 (Trp CH), 80.8 (C(CH₃)₃), 82.6 (CHOCH₃), 110.3 (quat. Trp), 111.2, 111.6 (quat.), 118.4, 118.6 (quat.), 119.5, 122.1, 122.3, 127.1 (quat. Trp), 128.2 (2C, Ar), 132.2 (2C, Ar), 136.1 (quat. Trp), 143.3, 156.3 (Boc), 169.5, 170.8, 174.7; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₃₁H₃₇N₅O₇ [M+Na]⁺: 614.25852; found: 614.25821.

Tripeptide acid 21k (Ph). To a solution of methyl ester **20k** (83.3 mg, 0.127 mmol) in THF (0.4 mL) were added water (0.6 mL), methanol (0.3 mL) and NaOH (10 mg, 0.25 mmol, 2 equiv). The initial biphasic mixture became homogeneous with progressing saponification. After being stirred for 2 h at room temperature until complete conversion (controlled by TLC), the mixture was diluted with water (5 mL) and ethyl acetate (8 mL). It was carefully acidified with 1M NaHSO₄ to pH ~ 2 before the layers were separated and the aqueous phase extracted once with ethyl acetate (8 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with water, saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo to afford the crude acid 21k as a colorless foam. $R_{\rm f}$ (EtOAc/AcOH, 100:1) 0.5; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.76$ (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.41 (s, 9H, t-Bu), 2.92 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.21–3.35 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.39 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.09 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.42–4.49 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 5.42–5.47 (m, 2H, β-Tyr CH, Ala NH), 5.63 $(dd, J = 9.4, 6.8 \text{ Hz}, 1H, \text{Trp CH}), 6.90 \text{ (s, 1H, Trp H}_{Ar}), 7.06-7.15 \text{ (m, 3H, Trp H}_{Ar}, \beta-\text{Tyr NH}),$ 7.26–7.42 (m, 6H), 7.48–7.57 (m, 5H), 8.25 (s, 1H, Trp NH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta =$ 17.0 (Ala CH₃), 23.0 (CH₂), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.5 (NCH₃), 46.9 (Ala CH), 54.0 (β-Tyr CH), 56.6 (Trp CH), 58.8 (OCH₃), 80.8 (C(CH₃)₃), 83.3 (CHOCH₃), 110.4 (quat. Trp), 111.1, 118.4, 119.4, 122.0, 122.3, 127.0 (2C, Ar), 127.22 (2C, Ar), 127.26 (quat. Trp), 127.31 (Ar), 127.8 (2C, Ar), 128.7 (2C, Ar), 136.1 (quat. Trp), 136.9, 140.6, 140.7, 156.4 (Boc), 169.34, 171.0, 174.7;

Depsipeptide 22b (Me). The crude acid **21b**, resulting from the hydrolysis of ester **20b** (57 mg, 0.096 mmol), and alcohol 7 (23 mg, 0.146 mmol) were dissolved in THF (6 mL) and Ph₃P (75 mg, 0.288 mmol) was added at 0 °C. This was followed by the dropwise addition of DEAD (0.131 mL, 0.288 mmol, 40% in toluene). The cooling bath was removed and the mixture stirred overnight at room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) to give ester 22b (46 mg, 67% over two steps) as a colorless foam. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) 0.23; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +3.3$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.78$ (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.88 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.92 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.02 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, 2-CH₃), 1.40 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 1.41 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 1.57 (s, 3H, 4-CH₃), 1.93 (dd, J = 13.9, 7.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.27 (s, 3H, ArCH₃), 2.34 (dd, J = 13.6, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.40–2.50 (m, 2H, 2-H, 6-H), 2.95 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.20–3.28 (m, 1H, Trp CH₂), 3.34 (dd, J = 15.9, 6.3 Hz, 1H, Trp CH₂), 3.37 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.06 (d, J = 4.3 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.48–4.60 (m, 2H, Ala CH, 7-H), 4.86 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.37 (dd, J = 8.6, 4.6 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.44 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 5.52 (dd, J = 10.1, 6.3 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.91 (s, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.04 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, β -Tyr H_{Ar}), 7.06–7.12 (m, 2H, Trp H_{Ar}, β -Tyr NH), 7.12–7.19 (m, 3H, Trp H_{Ar} , β -Tyr H_{Ar}), 7.29 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.58 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.03 (s, 1H, Trp NH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 16.4$ (4-CH₃), 16.6 (2-CH₃), 17.1 (6-CH₃), 17.6 (7-CH₃), 18.1 (Ala CH₃), 21.1 (ArCH₃), 23.4 (Trp CH₂), 28.1 (C(CH)₃), 28.3 (C(CH)₃), 30.8 (NCH₃), 37.6 (C-6), 38.6 (C-2), 43.4 (CH₂), 46.7 (Ala CH), 54.0 (β-Tyr CH), 56.7 (Trp CH), 59.1 (OCH₃), 75.9 (C-7), 79.5 (C(CH)₃), 79.9 (C(CH)₃), 82.1 (CHOCH₃), 110.9 (Trp C_{ar}), 111.1 (Trp C_{ar}), 118.5 (Trp C_{ar}), 119.5 (Trp C_{ar}), 122.1 (Trp C_{ar}), 127.3 (Trp C_{ar}), 127.9 (β-Tyr C_{ar}), 127.9 (C-5), 129.0 (β-Tyr C_{ar}), 133.7 (C-4, β-Tyr C_{ar}), 136.1 (Trp C_{ar}), 137.6 (β-Tyr Car), 155.1 (CO), 169.3 (CO), 174.3 (CO), 175.8 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{46}H_{66}N_4O_9$ $[M+Na]^+$: 841.47220; found: 841.47301.

Depsipeptide 22c (OMe). The crude acid **21c**, resulting from the hydrolysis of ester **20c** (135 mg, 0.221 mmol) and alcohol **7** (52 mg, 0.336 mmol) were dissolved in THF (12 mL) and Ph₃P (174 mg, 0.663 mmol) was added at 0 °C. This was followed by the dropwise addition of DEAD (0.302 mL, 0.663 mmol, 40% in toluene). The cooling bath was removed and the mixture stirred overnight

at room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) to give ester 22c (99 mg, 61% over two steps) as a colorless foam. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 3:2) 0.19; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +14.8$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H MR $(400 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3)$: $\delta = 0.79 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.88 \text{ (d, } J = 6.1 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.88 \text{ (d, } J = 6.1 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.88 \text{ (d, } J = 6.1 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.88 \text{ (d, } J = 6.1 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.88 \text{ (d, } J = 6.1 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.88 \text{ (d, } J = 6.1 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.88 \text{ (d, } J = 6.1 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.91 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{ Hz}, 3$ = 6.9 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.01 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, 2-CH₃), 1.40 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 1.41 (s, 9H, $C(CH_3)_3$, 1.57 (s, 3H, 4-CH₃), 1.93 (dd, J = 13.7, 7.6 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.34 (dd, J = 13.7, 6.9 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 2.40–2.51 (m, 2H, 2-H, 6-H), 2.95 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.23 (dd, J = 15.6, 10.1 Hz, 1H, Trp CH_2), 3.34 (dd, J = 16.0, 6.1 Hz, 1H, Trp CH₂), 3.39 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.73 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.05 (d, J = 4.3Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.47-4.54 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 4.53-4.61 (m, 1H, 7-H), 4.86 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.35 (dd, J = 8.4, 4.6 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.42 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 5.52 (dd, J = 9.7, 6.6 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.75 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, β -Tyr H_{ar}), 6.89 (s, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 7.03–7.08 (m, 1H, β-Tyr NH), 7.07–7.11 (m, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 7.15 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 7.20 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, β-Tyr H_{ar}), 7.29 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 7.57 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 8.19 (s, 1H, Trp NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 16.4$ (4-CH₃), 16.6 (2-CH₃), 17.1 (6-CH₃), 17.6 (7-CH₃), 18.1 (Ala CH₃), 23.4 (Trp CH₂), 28.0 (C(CH)₃), 28.3 (C(CH)₃), 30.8 (NCH₃), 37.6 (C-6), 38.6 (C-2), 43.4 (CH₂), 46.7 (Ala CH), 53.7 (β-Tyr CH), 55.2 (OCH₃), 56.7 (Trp CH), 59.2 (OCH₃), 75.8 (C-7), 79.5 (C(CH)₃), 79.8 (C(CH)₃), 82.0 (CHOCH₃), 110.7 (Trp C_{ar}), 111.1 (Trp C_{ar}), 113.7 (β-Tyr C_{ar}), 118.5 (Trp C_{ar}), 119.4 (Trp C_{ar}), 122.0 (Trp C_{ar}), 122.1 (Trp C_{ar}), 127.2 (Trp C_{ar}), 127.9 (C-5), 128.9 (β-Tyr C_{ar}), 129.2 (β-Tyr C_{ar}), 133.7 (C-4), 136.1 (Trp C_{ar}), 155.1 (CO), 159.2 (β-Tyr C_{ar}), 169.2 (CO), 169.2 (CO), 174.3 (CO), 175.8 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{46}H_{66}N_4O_{10}$ [M+Na]⁺: 857.46712; found: 857.46651.

Depsipertide 22d (F). The crude acid **21d**, resulting from the hydrolysis of ester **20d** (57 mg, 0.095 mmol) and alcohol 7 (22 mg, 0.144 mmol) were dissolved in THF (6 mL) and Ph₃P (75 mg, 0.285 mmol) was added at 0 °C. This was followed by the dropwise addition of DEAD (0.130 mL, 0.285 mmol, 40% in toluene). The cooling bath was removed and the mixture stirred overnight at room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) to give ester 22d (44 mg, 64% over two steps) as a colorless foam. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1) 0.29; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +10.5$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR $(400 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3)$: $\delta = 0.78 \text{ (d, } J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 6\text{-CH}_3), 0.88 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4 \text{ Hz}, 3\text{H, } 7\text{-CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.4$ = 6.6 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.02 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, 2-CH₃), 1.40 (s, 9H, C(CH₃)₃), 1.41 (s, 9H, $C(CH_3)_3$, 1.57 (s, 3H, 4-CH₃), 1.93 (dd, J = 14.0, 7.6 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.34 (dd, J = 13.7, 6.9 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 2.39–2.50 (m, 2H, 2-H, 6-H), 2.96 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.22 (dd, J = 15.5, 9.7 Hz, 1H, Trp CH_2), 3.30-3.39 (m, 1H, Trp CH₂), 3.40 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.05 (d, J = 4.3 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.45-4.60 (m, 2H, Ala CH, 7-H), 4.85 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H, 5-H), 5.34–5.41 (m, 2H, β-Tyr CH, Ala NH), 5.52 (dd, J= 9.5, 6.5 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.87–6.94 (s, 3H, Trp H_{ar} , β -Tyr H_{ar}), 7.05–7.13 (m, 2H, Trp H_{ar} , β -Tyr NH), 7.16 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 7.21–7.29 (m, 2H, β -Tyr H_{ar}), 7.31 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 7.58 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 8.07 (s, 1H, Trp NH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 16.4$ (4-CH₃), 16.6 (2-CH₃), 17.1 (6-CH₃), 17.6 (7-CH₃), 18.0 (Ala CH₃), 23.4 (Trp CH₂), 28.0

(C(CH₃)₃), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.8 (NCH₃), 37.6 (C-6), 38.6 (C-2), 43.4 (CH₂), 46.7 (Ala CH), 53.6 (β-Tyr CH), 56.7 (Trp CH), 59.2 (OCH₃), 76.0 (C-7), 79.6 (C(CH₃)₃), 79.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 81.8 (CHOCH₃), 110.8 (Trp C_{ar}), 111.1 (Trp C_{ar}), 115.1 (d, J = 22.0 Hz, β-Tyr C_{ar}), 118.5 (Trp C_{ar}), 119.5 (Trp C_{ar}), 122.1 (Trp C_{ar}), 127.2 (Trp C_{ar}), 127.8 (C-5), 129.9 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, β-Tyr C_{ar}), 132.7 (d, J = 3.7 Hz, β-Tyr C_{ar}), 133.8 (C-4), 136.1 (Trp C_{ar}), 155.2 (CO), 162.4 (d, J = 146.6 Hz, β-Tyr Car), 169.1 (CO), 169.3 (CO), 174.4 (CO), 175.8 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₄₅H₆₃FN₄O₉ [M+Na]⁺: 845.44713; found: 845.44760.

Depsipeptide 22e (NO₂). The crude acid 21e (52 mg, 0.0851 mmol) and alcohol 7 (32.8 mg, 0.128 mmol, 1.5 equiv) were dissolved in THF (1 mL) and Ph₃P (40 mg, 0.152 mmol, 1.8 equiv) was added at 0 °C. This was followed by the dropwise addition of DIAD (0.030 mL, 0.152 mmol, 1.8 equiv). The cooling bath was removed and the mixture stirred overnight at room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1 to 1:1) to give ester 22e (62 mg, 86%) as a colorless foam. $R_{\rm f}$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1) 0.30; $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = -4.0$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.77 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.91 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.96 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.01 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.40 (s, 9H, t-Bu), 1.41 (s, 9H, t-Bu), 1.56 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.92 (dd, J =13.9, 7.6 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.33 (dd, J = 13.9, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.40–2.51 (m, 2H, 2 CH), 2.97 (s, 3H, NCH_3), 3.17 (dd, J = 15.4, 9.6 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 3.37 (dd, J = 15.4, 7.1 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 3.40 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.06 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.46–4.61 (m, 2H, Ala CH, CO₂CH), 4.84 (d, J = 9.9Hz, 1H, =CH), 5.34 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 5.43 (dd, J = 8.3, 4.5 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.52 $(dd, J = 9.6, 7.1 \text{ Hz}, 1H, \text{Trp CH}), 6.88 \text{ (s, 1H, Trp H}_{Ar}), 7.07 \text{ (ddd, } J = 7.8, 7.1, 0.8 \text{ Hz}, 1H, \text{Trp}$ H_{Ar}), 7.15 (ddd, J = 8.1, 7.1, 0.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.21 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, β-Tyr NH), 7.30 (d, J =8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.39 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.56 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.04 (d, J =8.6 Hz, 2H, Ar), 8.25 (s, 1H, Trp NH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 16.4$, 16.6, 17.1, 17.6, 17.9, 23.5 (CH₂), 28.0 (C(CH₃)₃), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.9 (NMe), 37.5, 38.6, 43.4 (CH₂), 46.7 (Ala CH), 53.8 (β-Tyr CH), 56.8 (Trp CH), 59.3 (OCH₃), 76.4 (CO₂CH), 79.6 (C(CH₃)₃), 79.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 81.4 (CHOCH₃), 110.5 (quat. Trp), 111.1, 118.4, 119.5, 122.1, 122.2, 123.3 (2C, Ar), 127.1 (quat. Trp), 127.5 (=CH), 129.1 (2C, Ar), 134.0 (=C<), 136.1 (quat. Trp), 144.3, 147.4, 155.2 (Boc), 168.6, 169.5, 174.5, 175.7; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{45}H_{63}N_5O_{11}$ [M+Na]⁺: 872.44163; found: 872.44212.

Depsipeptide 22g (CH₂OTBS). The crude acid 21g (60.2 mg, 0.0847 mmol) and alcohol 7 (37.7 mg, 0.147 mmol, 1.7 equiv) were dissolved in THF (1 mL) and Ph₃P (40 mg, 0.152 mmol, 1.8 equiv) was added at 0 °C. This was followed by the dropwise addition of DEAD (0.070 mL of 40% in toluene, 1.8 equiv). The cooling bath was removed and the mixture stirred overnight at room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/acetone, 3:1 to 2:1) to give ester 22g (64.5 mg, contaminated with diethyl hydrazodicarboxylate (9% mass) byproduct = 58.7 mg, 73%) as a white foam. $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +3.4$ $(c 1.00, CH_2Cl_2)$; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.08$ (2s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.77 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH_3), 0.86 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3H, CH_3), 0.92 (s, 9H, t-BuSi), 0.96 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, Ala CH_3), 1.01 $(d, J = 6.8 \text{ Hz}, 3H, CH_3), 1.40 \text{ (s, } 18H, t-Bu), 1.56 \text{ (s, } 3H, CH_3), 1.92 \text{ (dd, } J = 13.9, 7.6 \text{ Hz, } 1H,$ CH_2), 2.33 (dd, J = 13.7, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 2.40–2.50 (m, 2H, 2 CH), 2.98 (s, 3H, NCH_3), 3.17 (dd, $J = 15.4, 9.3 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{CH}_2$), 3.34 (dd, $J = 15.4, 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{CH}_2$), 3.40 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.05 (d, J = 15.4, 6.6 Hz), 3.40 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 4.05 (d, $J = 15.4, 6.6 \text{$ 4.6 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.49–4.58 (m, 2H, Ala CH, CO₂CH), 4.66 (s, 2H, ArCH₂), 4.85 (d, J = 9.9Hz, 1H, =CH), 5.38 (dd, J = 8.7, 4.6 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.44–5.49 (m, 2H, Ala NH, Trp CH), 6.77 (s, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.02 (d, 1H, J = 8.7 Hz, β -Tyr NH), 7.09 (ddd, J = 7.8, 7.1, 0.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.13–7.23 (m, 5H, Trp H_{Ar} , Ar), 7.28 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.57 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.16 (s, 1H, Trp NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -5.30, -5.28, 16.4, 16.6, 17.1, 17.6,$ 18.2, 18.4, 23.6 (CH₂), 25.9 (SiC(CH₃)₃), 28.0 (C(CH₃)₃), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.8 (NCH₃), 37.6, 38.6, 43.4 (CH₂), 46.7 (Ala CH), 53.9 (β-Tyr CH), 56.7 (Trp CH), 59.1 (OCH₃), 64.8 (CH₂O), 75.9 (CO₂CH), 79.5 (C(CH₃)₃), 79.8 (C(CH₃)₃), 81.9 (CHOCH₃), 110.4 (quat. Trp), 111.1, 118.4, 119.4, 122.0, 122.3, 126.2, 127.1, 127.91, 127.97, 133.7 (=C<), 135.6, 136.0 (quat. Trp), 140.9, 155.1 (Boc), 169.1, 169.3, 174.1, 175.8; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{52}H_{80}N_4O_{10}Si$ [M+Na]⁺: 971.55359; found: 971.55362.

Depsipeptide 22h (CH₂CH₂OTBS). The crude acid **21h** (59.0 mg, 0.0814 mmol) and alcohol **7** (31.4 mg, 0.123 mmol, 1.5 equiv) were dissolved in THF (1 mL) and Ph₃P (42.7 mg, 0.163 mmol, 2 equiv) was added at 0 °C. This was followed by the dropwise addition of DEAD (0.075 mL of 40% in toluene, 0.164 mmol, 2 equiv). The cooling bath was removed and the mixture stirred overnight at room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue purified by

flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:2) to give ester 22h (51.8 mg, 66%) as a colorless foam. In this case separation from the diethyl hydrazodicarboxylate byproduct is difficult and requires separation at high R_f's. $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +1.0$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta =$ 0.01 (s, 6H, SiCH₃), 0.77 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.87 (s, 12H, CH₃, tBuSi), 0.97 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.01 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.41 (s, 18H, tBu), 1.57 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.92 (dd, J =13.7, 7.9 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.33 (dd, J = 13.7, 6.9 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.40–2.50 (m, 2H, CH+CH), 2.75 (t, J= 6.9 Hz, 2H, ArCH₂), 2.99 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.17 (dd, <math>J = 15.3, 9.3 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.34 (dd, <math>J = 15.3, 9.3 Hz6.6 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.39 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.79 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H, CH₂O), 4.03 (d, J = 4.6 Hz, 1H, $CHOCH_3$), 4.50–4.59 (m, 2H, Ala CH, CO_2CH), 4.85 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, 1H, =CH), 5.36 (dd, J = 8.7, 4.6 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.44–5.48 (m, 2H, Ala NH, Trp CH), 6.79 (s, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 6.98 (d, 1H, J= 8.7 Hz, β -Tyr NH), 7.05–7.16 (m, 6H, Ar, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.27 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.57 (d, J =7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.15 (s, 1H, Trp NH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = -5.36, -5.33, 16.4,$ 16.6, 17.1, 17.6, 18.2, 18.3, 23.6 (CH₂), 25.9 (SiC(CH₃)₃), 28.0 (C(CH₃)₃), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.8 (NCH₃), 37.6, 38.6, 39.2 (ArCH₂), 43.4 (CH₂), 46.7 (Ala CH), 53.9 (β-Tyr CH), 56.7 (Trp CH), 59.1 (OCH₃), 64.5 (CH₂O), 75.8 (CO₂CH), 79.5 (C(CH₃)₃), 79.8 (C(CH₃)₃), 82.0 (CHOCH₃), 110.3 (quat. Trp), 111.1, 118.4, 119.3, 121.9, 122.3, 127.1 (quat. Trp), 127.9 (3C, Ar, =CH), 129.0 (2C, Ar), 133.7 (=C<), 134.7, 136.1 (quat. Trp), 138.6, 155.1 (Boc), 169.1, 169.2, 174.1, 175.8; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{53}H_{82}N_4O_{10}Si [M+Na]^+$: 985.56924; found: 985.56858.

Depsipertide 22i (CN). The crude acid **21i** (54.9 mg, 0.0927 mmol) and alcohol **7** (35.7 mg, 0.139 mmol, 1.5 equiv) were dissolved in THF (0.93 mL) and Ph₃P (41.3 mg, 0.158 mmol, 1.7 equiv) was added at 0 °C. This was followed by the dropwise addition of DIAD (0.031 mL, 0.158 mmol, 1.7 equiv). The cooling bath was removed and the mixture stirred overnight at room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:1 to 1:2) to give ester 22i (60.1 mg, 78%) as a colorless foam. $R_{\rm f}$ (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:2) 0.58; $[\alpha]_{D}^{20} = -5.0$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.77 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.89 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.95 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.02 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.40 (s, 9H, t-Bu), 1.41 (s, 9H, t-Bu), 1.57 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.93 (dd, J =13.7, 7.7 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.33 (dd, J = 13.7, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.40–2.50 (m, 2H, 2 CH), 2.97 (s, 3H, NCH_3), 3.19 (dd, J = 15.7, 9.6 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 3.37 (dd, J = 15.7, 6.3 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 3.40 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 4.03 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H, $CHOCH_3$), 4.47–4.60 (m, 2H, Ala CH, CO_2CH), 4.85 (d, J = 9.4Hz, 1H, =CH), 5.34 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 5.39 (dd, J = 8.3, 4.8 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.51 $(dd, J = 8.9, 6.8 \text{ Hz}, 1H, \text{Trp CH}), 6.90 \text{ (s, 1H, Trp H}_{Ar}), 7.09 \text{ (ddd, } J = 7.8, 7.1, 0.8 \text{ Hz}, 1H, \text{Trp}$ H_{Ar}), 7.15–7.20 (m, 2H, Trp H_{Ar} , NH), 7.32 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.36 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.51 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.57 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.05 (s, 1H, Trp NH); ¹³C NMR $(100 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3)$: $\delta = 16.4, 16.7, 17.1, 17.6, 18.0, 23.5 (CH₂), 28.1 (C(CH₃)₃), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃),$ 30.9 (NCH₃), 37.5, 38.6, 43.4 (CH₂), 46.7 (Ala CH), 54.0 (β-Tvr CH), 56.8 (Trp CH), 59.3 (OCH₃), 76.4 (CO₂CH), 79.7 (C(CH₃)₃), 79.9 (C(CH₃)₃), 81.5 (CHOCH₃), 110.7 (quat. Trp), 111.1, 111.8, 118.5, 118.6, 119.6, 122.1, 122.2, 127.1 (quat. Trp), 127.6 (=CH), 129.0, 132.0, 134.0 (=C<), 136.1

(quat. Trp), 142.3, 155.2 (Boc), 168.7, 169.5, 174.5, 175.7; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{46}H_{63}N_5O_9[M+Na]^+$: 852.45180; found: 852.45123.

Depsipeptide 22k (Ph). The crude acid **21k** (81.5 mg, 0.127 mmol) and alcohol **7** (39.2 mg, 0.152 mmol, 1.2 equiv) were dissolved in THF (1.3 mL) and Ph₃P (50 mg, 0.190 mmol, 1.5 equiv) was added at 0 °C. This was followed by the dropwise addition of DIAD (0.037 mL, 0.190 mmol, 1.5 equiv). The cooling bath was removed and the mixture stirred overnight at room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the residue purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:1 to 1:1 to 0:1) to give ester 22k (62.6 mg, 56%) as a colorless foam. $[\alpha]^{20}_{D} = -10.0$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.77$ (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, CH₃), $0.89 \text{ (d, } J = 6.1 \text{ Hz, } 3H, \text{ CH}_3), 0.93 \text{ (d, } J = 6.8 \text{ Hz, } 3H, \text{ Ala CH}_3), 1.01 \text{ (d, } J = 6.8 \text{ Hz, } 3H, \text{ CH}_3),$ 1.41 (s, 18H, t-Bu), 1.56 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.93 (dd, J = 13.9, 7.6 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.34 (dd, J = 13.9, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.40–2.51 (m, 2H, 2 CH), 2.97 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.24 (dd, J = 15.7, 10.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂), $3.37 \text{ (dd, } J = 15.7, 6.6 \text{ Hz, } 1H, \text{ CH}_2), 3.43 \text{ (s, } 3H, \text{ OCH}_3), 4.10 \text{ (d, } J = 4.3 \text{ Hz, } 1H, \text{ CHOCH}_3), 4.50-$ 4.62 (m, 2H, Ala CH, CO₂CH), 4.86 (d, J = 9.6 Hz, 1H, =CH), 5.56 (m, 2H, Ala NH, β -Tyr CH), 5.56 (dd, J = 9.9, 6.6 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.90 (s, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.08–7.20 (m, 3H, Trp H_{Ar}, β -Tyr NH), 7.29-7.35 (m, 4H), 7.41 (t, 2H), 7.46 (d, 2H, J = 8.1 Hz), 7.52 (d, 2H, J = 7.1 Hz), 7.59 (d, 1H, J = 7.6 Hz), 8.18 (s, 1H, Trp NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 16.4$, 16.6, 17.1, 17.6, 18.1, 23.4 (CH₂), 28.0 (C(CH₃)₃), 28.3 (C(CH₃)₃), 30.8 (NCH₃), 37.6, 38.6, 43.4 (CH₂), 46.7 (Ala CH), 53.9 (β-Tyr CH), 56.8 (Trp CH), 59.2 (OCH₃), 76.0 (CO₂CH), 79.5 (C(CH₃)₃), 79.8 (C(CH₃)₃), 82.0 (CHOCH₃), 110.7 (quat. Trp), 111.1, 118.5, 119.4, 122.05, 122.14, 127.00, 127.03, 127.19, 127.24, 127.8 (=CH), 128.4, 128.7, 133.7 (=C<), 135.8, 136.1 (quat. Trp), 140.72, 140.76, 155.1 (Boc), 169.2, 169.3, 174.3, 175.8. HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{51}H_{68}N_4O_9$ [M+Na]⁺: 903.48785; found: 903.48732.

Chondramide A analogues

Deprotection. Double Boc-deprotection was carried out in 1:10 v/v solution of TFA/CH₂Cl₂ at room temperature overnight at 0.03M concentration of a substrate (the progress of reaction was easily monitored by TLC in CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/NH₃ 10:1:0.1 and NMR, in each case complete and clean conversion was achieved after \sim 20 h). The solvent was removed in vacuo. For azeotropic removal of TFA, the residue was taken up in toluene (3 × 0.5 mL) and concentrated in vacuo each time.

Macrolactam formation. In most cases macrolactamization was carried out at 0.0025M concentration instead of 0.001M without loss of efficacy. The crude product from the deprotection step was dissolved in DMF and iPr_2NEt (5 equiv), HOBt (1.5 equiv), and TBTU (1.5 equiv) were added. The solution was stirred at room temperature for 20 h and then diluted with water and EtOAc. The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 times) and the combined organic layers were washed with 5% aqueous KHSO₄ solution, water, saturated NaHCO₃ solution, water, and

saturated NaCl solution. The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography.

Chondramide 2b (Me). To a stirred solution of compound 22b (42 mg, 0.051 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) was added TFA (38 μL, 0.51 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and after stirring for 22 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo. For azeotropic removal of TFA the residue was taken up in toluene (3 × 0.5 mL) and concentrated in vacuo each time. The crude product was dissolved in DMF (50 mL) and iPr₂NEt (34 µL, 0.204 mmol), HOBt (24.0 mg, 0.179 mmol) and TBTU (56.0 mg, 0.179 mmol) were added. The solution was stirred at room temperature for 20 h and then diluted with water (25 mL) and EtOAc (25 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with 5% aqueous KHSO₄ solution (25 mL), water (25 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (25 mL), water (2 × 25 mL) and saturated NaCl solution (20 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. Purification by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/acetone, 2:1) of the residue to give depsipeptide 2b (11 mg, 33% over two steps) as a colorless foam. R_f (petroleum ether/acetone, 2:1) 0.18; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +23.9$ (c 0.83, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD): $\delta = 0.81$ (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 0.86 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3H, 7-CH₃), 0.91 (d, J = 6.8Hz, 3H, 6-CH₃), 1.08 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, 2-CH₃), 1.69 (s, 3H, 4-CH₃), 1.98–2.06 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.15–2.27 (m, 1H, CH₂), 2.32 (s, 3H, ArCH₃), 2.45–2.55 (m, 1H, 6-H), 2.60–2.71 (m, 1H, 2-H), 3.01 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Trp CH₂), 3.08 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.13 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.88 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.48–4.57 (m, 1H, 7-H), 4.74–4.81 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 4.82–4.85 (m, 1H, 5-H), 5.06 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.52 (dd, J = 8.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.83 (s, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 6.97 (t, J = 7.1, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 7.00–7.08 (m, 5H, β -Tyr H_{ar} , Trp H_{ar}), 7.25 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 7.55 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{ar}); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD): $\delta = 16.0 \text{ (4-CH}_3)$, 17.9 (6-CH₃), 18.4 (Ala CH₃), 18.9 (7-CH₃), 19.0 (2-CH₃), 21.2 (ArCH₃), 26.5 (Trp CH₂), 30.9 (NCH₃), 38.7 (C-6), 40.2 (C-2), 45.9 (Ala CH), 46.0 (CH₂), 55.9 (β-Tyr CH), 56.9 (Trp CH), 58.2 (OCH₃), 79.2 (C-7), 83.3 (CHOCH₃), 110.1 (Trp C_{ar}), 112.2 (Trp C_{ar}), 119.4 (Trp C_{ar}), 119.6 (Trp C_{ar}), 122.2 (Trp C_{ar}), 124.4 (Trp C_{ar}), 128.3 (β -Tyr Car), 128.5 (Trp C_{ar}), 129.0 (C-5), 129.9 (β -Tyr C_{ar}), 134.7 (C-4), 137.4 (β -Tyr C_{ar}), 137.9 (Trp C_{ar}), 138.4 (β -Tyr C_{ar}), 171.3 (CO), 173.4 (CO), 174.9 (CO), 176.9 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{37}H_{48}N_4O_6[M+Na]^+$: 667.34661; found: 667.34683.

Chondramide 2c (OMe). To a stirred solution of compound 22c (87.0 mg, 0.104 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) was added TFA (154 μL, 2.08 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and after stirring for 22 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo. For azeotropic removal of TFA the residue was taken up in toluene (3 \times 0.5 mL) and concentrated in vacuo each time. The crude product was dissolved in DMF (104 mL) and iPr₂NEt (71 µL, 0.416 mmol), HOBt (49.0 mg, 0.364 mmol) and TBTU (114 mg, 0.364 mmol) were added. The solution was stirred at room temperature for 20 h and then diluted with water (50 mL) and EtOAc (50 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 50 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with 5% aqueous KHSO₄ solution (50 mL), water (50 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (50 mL), water (2 × 40 mL) and saturated NaCl solution (50 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 2:7) to give depsipeptide 2c (21.3 mg, 31% over two steps) as a colorless foam. R_f (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 2:7) 0.20; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +6.0$ (c 0.40, MeOH); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD): $\delta = 0.83$ (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 0.86 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 3H, 7-CH₃), 0.92 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, 6-CH₃), 1.08 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, 2-CH₃), 1.69 (s, 3H, 4-CH₃), 2.04 $(dd, J = 13.1, 2.9 \text{ Hz}, 1H, CH_2), 2.23 (dd, J = 12.5, 12.5 \text{ Hz}, 1H, CH_2), 2.46-2.58 (m, 1H, 6-H),$ 2.61–2.72 (m, 1H, 2-H), 2.97–3.06 (m, 2H, Trp CH₂), 3.08 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.13 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.78 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.85 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.48–4.56 (m, 1H, 7-H), 4.75–4.81 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 4.81-4.85 (m, 1H, 5-H), 5.05 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.53 (dd, J = 8.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.77 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, β -Tyr H_{ar}), 6.83 (s, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 6.95–7.01 (m, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 7.04 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H, β -Tyr Har), 7.05–7.08 (m, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 7.25 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 7.57 (d, J= 7.6 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{ar}); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD): δ = 16.0 (4-CH₃), 17.9 (6-CH₃), 18.4 (Ala CH₃), 18.9 (7-CH₃), 19.0 (2-CH₃), 26.5 (Trp CH₂), 30.9 (NCH₃), 38.7 (C-6), 40.2 (C-2), 45.9 (Ala CH), 46.1 (CH₂), 55.6 (β-Tyr CH), 55.7 (OCH₃), 56.9 (Trp CH), 58.2 (OCH₃), 79.2 (C-7), 83.4 (CHOCH₃), 110.1 (Trp C_{ar}), 112.2 (Trp C_{ar}), 114.6 (β-Tyr C_{ar}), 119.4 (Trp C_{ar}), 119.6 (Trp C_{ar}), 122.3 (Trp C_{ar}), 124.5 (Trp C_{ar}), 128.5 (Trp C_{ar}), 129.0 (C-5), 129.5 (β-Tyr C_{ar}), 132.5 (β-Tyr C_{ar}), 134.7 (C-4), 137.9 (Trp C_{ar}), 160.5 (β-Tyr C_{ar}), 171.2 (CO), 173.4 (CO), 174.9 (CO), 176.9 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{37}H_{48}N_4O_7$ [M+Na]⁺: 683.34152; found: 683.34136.

Chondramide 2d (F). To a stirred solution of compound 22d (30 mg, 0.036 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1 mL) was added TFA (40 μL, 0.54 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and after stirring for 22 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo. For azeotropic removal of TFA the residue was taken up in toluene (3 \times 0.5 mL) and concentrated in vacuo each time. The crude product was dissolved in DMF (36 mL) and iPr₂NEt (24 uL, 0.144 mmol), HOBt (17 mg, 0.126 mmol) and TBTU (29 mg, 0.126 mmol) were added. The solution was stirred at room temperature for 20 h and then diluted with water (20 mL) and EtOAc (20 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with 5% aqueous KHSO₄ solution (20 mL), water (20 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (20 mL), water (2 × 20 mL) and saturated NaCl solution (20 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/acetone, 2:1) of the residue to give depsipeptide 2d (9.00 mg, 31% over three steps) as a colorless foam. $R_{\rm f}$ (petroleum ether/acetone, 2:1) 0.16; $\left[\alpha\right]^{20}_{\rm D} = +13.3$ (c 0.67, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD): $\delta = 0.87$ (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 3H, 7-CH₃), 0.91 (d, J = 6.8Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 0.92 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, 6-CH₃), 1.09 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, 2-CH₃), 1.70 (s, 3H, 4- CH_3), 2.05 (dd, J = 13.0, 3.2 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 2.16–2.27 (m, 1H, CH_2), 2.46–2.58 (m, 1H, 6-H), 2.63– 2.73 (m, 1H, 2-H), 3.07 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Trp CH₂), 3.10 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.12 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.82 $(d, J = 10.1 \text{ Hz}, 1H, CHOCH_3), 4.48-4.55 \text{ (m, 1H, 7-H)}, 4.78-4.84 \text{ (m, 2H, Ala CH, 5-H)}, 5.05 \text{ (d, })$ J = 10.1 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.52 (dd, J = 8.1, 8.0 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.79 (s, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 6.88– J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{ar}), 7.58 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{ar}); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CD₃OD): $\delta = 16.0$ (4-CH₃), 18.0 (6-CH₃), 18.5 (Ala CH₃), 19.0 (7-CH₃, 2-CH₃), 26.7 (Trp CH₂), 30.9 (NCH₃), 38.7 (C-6), 40.2 (C-2), 45.9 (Ala CH), 46.2 (CH₂), 55.5 (β-Tyr CH), 57.0 (Trp CH), 58.2 (OCH₃), 79.4 (C-7), 83.1 (CHOCH₃), 109.9 (Trp C_{ar}), 112.2 (Trp C_{ar}), 115.4 (d, J = 21.2 Hz, β -Tyr C_{ar}), 119.4 (Trp C_{ar}), 119.6 (Trp C_{ar}), 122.3 (Trp C_{ar}), 124.5 (Trp C_{ar}), 128.5 (Trp C_{ar}), 129.0 (C-5), 130.2 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, β -Tyr C_{ar}), 134.7 (C-4), 136.4 (d, J = 2.9 Hz, β -Tyr C_{ar}), 137.9 (Trp C_{ar}), 171.2 (CO), 173.3 (CO), 174.8 (CO), 176.9 (CO); HRMS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{36}H_{45}FN_4O_6$ [M+Na]⁺: 671.32153; found: 671.32177.

Chondramide 2e (NO₂). To a stirred solution of compound 22e (62.7 mg, 0.0738 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (2.2 mL) was added TFA (0.22 mL, 0.34 g, 2.98 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and after stirring for 22 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo (TLC control: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/NH₃, 10:1:0.1). For azeotropic removal of TFA the residue was taken up in toluene (3 × 0.5 mL) and concentrated in vacuo each time. The crude product was dissolved in DMF (30 mL) and iPr_2NEt (64 μ L, 47.7 mg, 0.369 mmol, 5 equiv), HOBt (19.9 mg, 0.147 mmol, 2 equiv) and TBTU (47.4 mg, 0.147 mmol, 2 equiv) were added. The solution was stirred at room temperature for 20 h and then diluted with water (20 mL) and EtOAc (20 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with 5% aqueous KHSO₄ solution (20 mL), water (20 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (20 mL), water (2 × 20 mL) and saturated NaCl solution (20 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:3 to 0:1) to give depsipeptide 2e (27.3 mg, 48%) as a colorless foam. R_f (EtOAc) 0.41; $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +18.5$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta =$ 0.84 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.85 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.07 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.17 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.64 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.88 (d, J = 13.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.36–2.51 (m, 3H, 2 CH, CH_2), 2.95 (s, 3H, NCH_3), 3.17 (dd, J = 15.2, 8.6 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 3.22 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.25 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.26 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.27 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.28 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.29 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.29 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.29 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.29 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.29 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.29 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.29 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.29 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.29 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.29 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.29 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.29 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.29 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.29 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.29 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.31 (dd, J = 15.2), 3.31 (dd, J =15.2, 7.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.75 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.77–4.83 (m, 2H, Ala CH, CO₂CH), 4.90 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H, =CH), 5.30 (t, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.60 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.50 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 6.82 (s, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.06 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.10 $(ddd, J = 8.1, 7.1, 0.8 \text{ Hz}, 1H, \text{Trp } H_{Ar}), 7.17 (ddd, J = 8.1, 7.1, 0.8 \text{ Hz}, 1H, \text{Trp } H_{Ar}), 7.24 (d, J = 8.1, 7.1, 0.8 \text{ Hz})$ 8.6 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.32 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.59 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.06 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.6 Hz, 2H, Ar), 8.11 (s, 1H, Trp NH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 15.8, 16.6, 17.3, 18.6, 20.0, 23.6 (CH₂), 30.2 (NCH₃), 37.0, 40.2, 44.1 (CH₂), 45.2 (Ala CH), 54.4 (β-Tyr CH), 56.0 (Trp CH), 58.2 (OCH₃), 76.8 (CO₂CH), 81.9 (CHOCH₃), 110.2 (quat. Trp), 111.2, 118.5, 119.6, 122.2, 122.3, 123.4, 127.1 (quat. Trp), 127.8 (=CH), 127.9, 134.3 (=C<), 136.1 (quat. Trp), 144.5, 147.3, 169.77, 169.82, 174.1, 174.5; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{36}H_{45}N_5O_8[M+Na]^+$: 698.31603; found: 698.31672.

Chondramide 2f (NH₂). By catalytic hydrogenation: A solution of chondramide 2e (6.1 mg, 9.03 µmol) in methanol (0.5 mL) was hydrogenated overnight in a round bottom flask connected to a hydrogen filled balloon, using 10% Pd on carbon (TLC control: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 10:1). Upon complete conversion, the solvent was evaporated and the residue purified by flash chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 30:1 to 20:1) to afford chondramide 2f (2.7 mg, 47%) as white foam. A mixed fraction, containing 2f and another unknown compound as major components was also isolated. Complete conversion was observed, but the reaction was not very clean, likely because of formation of RNO and/or RNHOH, as suggested by LC/MS examination of the mixed fraction. No evidence for competitive hydrogenation of the double bond was found.

By reduction with sodium dithionite: Alternatively, reduction of chondramide 2e (5.8 mg, 8.58 umol) was carried out in solution in THF (0.5 mL), H₂O (0.5 mL) in the presence of Na₂S₂O₄ (20 mg, 0.115 mmol) overnight at room temperature. Conversion was high but not complete. The reaction mixture was diluted with saturated NaCl solution and EtOAc with addition of some saturated NaHCO₃ solution. The water phase was extracted once more with EtOAc. The combined organic extracts were dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated. The desired NH₂-chondramide 2f (2 mg, 36%) was isolated successfully by flash chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH 30:1 to 20:1) as a white foam. R_f (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH 20:1) 0.26. $[\alpha]^{20}_D = +24.9$ (c 0.35, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.80$ (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.85 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.03 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.15 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.63 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.80 (d, J = 13.9 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.33– 2.40 (m, 2H, 2 CH), 2.53 (d, J = 10.4, 13.6 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.94 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.14 (dd, J = 15.5, 9.2 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.23 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.27 (dd, J = 15.5, 6.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.68 (bs, 2H, NH₂), 3.75 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.77-4.84 (m, 2H, Ala CH, 7-H), 4.90 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H, =CH), 5.25 (dd, J = 7.3, 9.1 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.60 (dd, J = 7.1, 9.1 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.58 (d, J =7.3 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 6.58 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Ar), 6.81 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 6.92–6.96 (m, 3H, β -Tyr NH, Ar), 7.11 (ddd, J = 8.1, 7.8, 1.0 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.17 (ddd, J = 8.1, 7.8, 1.0 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.30 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.90 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.87 (s, 1H, Trp NH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 15.3$, 16.6, 17.6, 18.6, 20.5, 23.3 (CH₂), 30.1 (NCH₃), 37.1, 40.3, 43.8 (CH₂), 45.3 (Ala CH), 53.9 (β-Tyr CH), 55.7 (Trp CH), 58.0 (OCH₃), 77.2 (CO₂CH), 82.6 (CHOCH₃), 110.7 (quat. Trp), 111.0, 115.0 (2C, Ar), 118.6, 119.4, 122.05, 122.11, 127.2 (quat. Trp), 127.7 (quat. Ar), 127.9 (2C, Ar), 128.4 (=CH), 134.1 (=C<), 136.1 (quat. Trp), 145.9, 169.6, 170.6, 174.0, 174.5; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{36}H_{47}N_5O_6$ [M+Na]⁺: 668.34186; found: 668.34224.

Chondramide 2g (CH₂OH). To a stirred solution of compound 22g (64.7 mg, which corresponds to ~58.9 mg of pure peptide, 0.0621 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) was added TFA (0.2 mL, 0.307 g, 2.69 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and after stirring for 22 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo (TLC control: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/NH₃, 10:1:0.1). For azeotropic removal of TFA the residue was taken up in toluene (3 × 0.5 mL) and concentrated

in vacuo each time. NMR examination indicated complete deprotection and installation of $CH_2OC(O)CF_3$ in place of CH_2OTBS ($\delta = 5.25$, s, 2H, $ArCH_2OC(O)CF_3$). The crude product was dissolved in DMF (25 mL, that corresponds to 0.0025M concentration of the starting amino acid) and iPr_2NEt (54 μ L, 40 mg, 0.310 mmol, 5 equiv), HOBt (16.7 mg, 0.124 mmol, 2 equiv) and TBTU (39.9 mg, 0.124 mmol, 2 equiv) were added. The solution was stirred at room temperature for 20 h and then diluted with water (20 mL) and EtOAc (20 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with 5% aqueous KHSO₄ solution (20 mL), water (20 mL), diluted K_2CO_3 solution (20 mL, at this point trifluoroacetic ester moiety is hydrolyzed), water (2 × 20 mL) and saturated NaCl solution (20 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography ($CH_2Cl_2/MeOH$, 20:1) to give depsipeptide **2g** (8.1 mg, 20%) as a colorless foam.

Note. ArCH₂OTFA is hydrolyzed in a few minutes in weakly alkaline media during washings (as was the case in synthesis of **2h**). But in this case the less polar product (on TLC), which was initially assumed to be ArCH₂OTFA ester, in fact was stable to hydrolysis and was eventually proved to be the ArCH₂OBt ether!). Obviously, the benzylic trifluoroacetate has led to extensive formation of the nucleophilic substitution product due to enhanced susceptibility to nucleophilic attack.

2g: $R_{\rm f}$ (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH 20:1) 0.14; $[\alpha]^{20}_{\rm D}$ = +23.4 (c 0.80, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.77 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.86 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.08 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.16 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.65 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.87 (d, J = 13.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.27 (bs, 1H, OH), 2.35-2.42 (m, 2H, 2 CH), 2.48 (dd, J = 13.1, 11.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.98 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.00 (dd, J =15.2, 7.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.21 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.27 (dd, J = 15.2, 8.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.78 (d, J = 8.1Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.68 (s, 2H, ArCH₂), 4.72–4.78 (m, 1H, 7-H), 4.79–4.86 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 4.89 Trp CH), 6.54 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 6.56 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 6.82 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr NH), 7.07–7.11 (m, 3H, Trp H_{Ar}, Ar), 7.16 (ddd, J = 8.1, 7.1, 0.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.24 $(d, J = 8.1 \text{ Hz}, 2H, Ar), 7.29 (d, J = 8.1 \text{ Hz}, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.58 (d, J = 7.8 \text{ Hz}, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.13 (s, J = 7.8 \text{ Hz}, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}),$ 1H, Trp NH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 15.9$, 16.4, 17.7, 18.8, 20.0, 23.9 (CH₂), 30.2 (NCH₃), 37.2, 40.2, 44.2 (CH₂), 45.2 (Ala CH), 54.5 (β-Tyr CH), 55.9 (Trp CH), 58.1 (OCH₃), 65.1 (CH₂O), 76.5 (CO₂CH), 82.1 (CHOCH₃), 109.8 (quat. Trp), 111.2, 118.4, 119.3, 121.9, 122.5, 127.0 (quat. Trp), 127.2 (2C, Ar), 127.5 (2C, Ar), 128.2 (=CH), 133.1 (=C<), 136.1, 137.8, 140.0, 169.4, 170.5, 173.9, 174.4; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{37}H_{48}N_4O_7$ [M+Na]⁺: 683.34152; found: 683.34136.

Chondramide 2h (CH₂CH₂OH). To a stirred solution of depsipeptide 22h (18.2 mg, 0.0189 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (0.6 mL) was added TFA (0.06 mL, 0.092 g, 0.808 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction

mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and after stirring for 22 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo (TLC control: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/NH₃, 10:1:0.1). For azeotropic removal of TFA the residue was taken up in toluene (3 × 0.5 mL) and concentrated in vacuo. NMR examination indicated complete deprotection and installation of CH₂CH₂OC(O)CF₃ in place of CH₂CH₂OTBS. The crude product was dissolved in DMF (7.50 mL, that corresponds to 0.0025M concentration of the starting amino acid) and iPr₂NEt (16 μL, 11.8 mg, 0.092 mmol, 5 equiv), HOBt (5.1 mg, 0.038 mmol, 2 equiv) and TBTU (12.1 mg, 0.038 mmol, 2 equiv) were added. The solution was stirred at room temperature for 20 h and then diluted with water (10 mL) and EtOAc (10 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 10 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with 5% aqueous KHSO₄ solution (10 mL), water (10 mL), diluted K₂CO₃ solution (10 mL, at this point complete hydrolysis of trifluoroacetic ester moiety should be secured), water (2 × 10 mL) and saturated NaCl solution (10 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. In case of incomplete hydrolysis, the residue was dissolved in MeOH, catalytic amount of K₂CO₃ was added and the silution stirred for 5 minutes until disappearance of the trifluoroacetate residue (R_f (EtOAc) 0.4, ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): $\delta = 4.50$ (t, $CH_2OC(O)CF_3$)). But normally, the trifluoroacetate is hydrolized within a few minutes in weakly alkaline media during washings, which was also observed by TLC. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc) to give depsipeptide **2h** (7.7 mg, 60%) as a colorless foam. $R_{\rm f}$ $(CH_2Cl_2/MeOH\ 20:1)\ 0.14;\ R_f\ (EtOAc)\ 0.3;\ [\alpha]_D^{20} = +6.3\ (c\ 0.80,\ CH_2Cl_2);\ ^1H\ NMR\ (400\ MHz,$ CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.77$ (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.86 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.14 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.16 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.66 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.81 (bt, J = 4.3 Hz, 1H, OH), 1.91 (d, J = 4.3 Hz, 1 = 11.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.35–2.47 (m, 3H, 2 CH, CH₂), 2.87 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H, ArCH₂), 2.92 (dd, J =14.5, 6.6 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.02 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.18 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.28 (dd, J = 14.5, 8.9 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 3.75 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H, $CHOCH_3$), 3.94–4.02 (m, 2H, CH_2OH), 4.68–4.74 (m, 1H, 7-H), 4.80–4.86 (m, 1H, Ala CH), 4.88 (d, J = 9.4 Hz, 1H, =CH), 5.22 (dd, J = 8.9, 8.9 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.41 (dd, J = 6.9, 9.2 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.46–6.49 (m, 2H, Ala NH, Trp H_{Ar}), 6.52 (d, J = 7.9Hz, 1H, β-Tyr NH), 7.02 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.08–7.17 (m, 4H, Trp H_{Ar}, Ar), 7.27 (d, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.59 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.43 (s, 1H, Trp NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta =$ 16.27, 16.30, 17.8, 18.9, 19.7, 24.4 (CH₂), 30.3 (NCH₃), 37.4, 38.6 (ArCH₂), 40.1, 44.4 (CH₂), 45.1 (Ala CH), 54.5 (β-Tyr CH), 56.1 (Trp CH), 58.0 (OCH₃), 63.5 (CH₂OH), 76.7 (CO₂CH), 82.1 (CHOCH₃), 109.3 (quat. Trp), 111.2, 118.3, 119.1, 121.7, 122.8, 126.9 (quat. Trp), 127.2 (2C, Ar), 128.2 (=CH), 129.1 (2C, Ar), 133.7 (=C<), 136.1 (quat. Trp), 136.6, 138.2, 169.2, 170.6, 173.7, 174.2; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{38}H_{50}N_4O_7$ [M+Na]⁺: 697.35717; found: 697.35723.

Chondramide 2i (CN). To a stirred solution of depsipeptide 22i (24.5 mg, 0.0295 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (0.9 mL) was added TFA (0.09 mL, 0.138 g, 1.21 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and after stirring for 22 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo (TLC control: $CH_2Cl_2/MeOH/NH_3$, 10:1:0.1). For azeotropic removal of TFA the residue was taken up in toluene (3 × 0.5 mL) and concentrated in vacuo each time. The crude product was dissolved in

DMF (11.8 mL, that corresponds to 0.0025M concentration of the starting amino acid) and iPr₂NEt (26 μL, 19.3 mg, 0.149 mmol, 5 equiv), HOBt (8.0 mg, 0.059 mmol, 2 equiv) and TBTU (18.9 mg, 0.059 mmol, 2 equiv) were added. The solution was stirred at room temperature for 20 h and then diluted with water (20 mL) and EtOAc (20 mL). The agueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with 5% aqueous KHSO₄ solution (20 mL), water (20 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (20 mL), water (2 × 20 mL) and saturated NaCl solution (20 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (petroleum ether/EtOAc, 1:3 to 0:1 or petroleum ether/acetone, 3:2) to give depsipeptide 2i (8.7 mg, 45%) as a colorless foam. In order to obtain pure 2i, the chromatography was done twice. R_f (EtOAc) 0.4; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +20.1$ (c 0.8, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.81$ (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.85 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.05 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.17 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.63 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.85 (d, J =13.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.35–2.44 (m, 2H, 2 CH), 2.50 (dd, J = 10.5, 13.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.94 (s, 3H, NCH_3), 3.10 (dd, J = 15.2, 8.6 Hz, 1H, CH_2), 3.23 (s, 3H, OCH_3), 3.30 (dd, J = 15.2, 7.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.75 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.76–4.83 (m, 2H, Ala CH, 7-H), 4.89 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H, =CH), 5.30 (dd, J = 8.1, 8.3 Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.62 (t, J = 7.4, 8.6 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.49 (d, J =7.1 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 6.85 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.08–7.13 (m, 2H, β -Tyr NH, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.19 (ddd, J = 8.1, 7.1, 0.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.24 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.33 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.53 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.60 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.98 (s, 1H, Trp NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 15.5$, 16.7, 17.3, 18.6, 20.2, 23.4 (CH₂), 30.2 (NCH₃), 37.0, 40.2, 44.0 (CH₂), 45.2 (Ala CH), 54.4 (β-Tyr CH), 55.9 (Trp CH), 58.2 (OCH₃), 76.5 (CO₂CH), 81.9 (CHOCH₃), 110.4 (quat. Trp), 111.2, 111.5, 118.55, 118.60, 119.6, 122.16, 122.20, 127.1 (quat. Trp), 127.8 (=CH), 127.8, 132.1, 134.4 (=C<), 136.1 (quat. Trp), 143.4, 169.82, 169.92, 174.2, 174.5; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{37}H_{45}N_5O_6[M+Na]^+$: 678.32621; found: 678.32685.

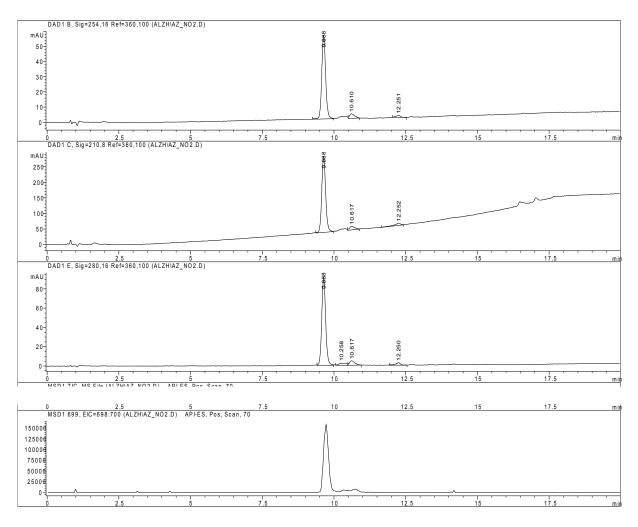
Chondramide 2j (CONH₂). To a solution of chondramide 2i (4.5 mg, 6.87 μmol) in DMSO (0.1 mL) were added at 10 °C K₂CO₃ (10 mg, 0.072 mmol) and 30% aqueous H₂O₂ (0.01 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred for 5–10 min when TLC (EtOAc) showed complete conversion. The reaction mixture was diluted with water (0.5 mL) and extracted twice with EtOAc. The combined organic extracts were washed with water, saturated NaCl solution, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue purified by flash chromatography (CH₂Cl₂/MeOH, 15:1 to 10:1) to afford chondramide 2j (3 mg, 67%) as white foam (contaminated with 1.9 % w/w DMSO). [α]²⁰_D = +26.7 (c 0.30, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 0.79 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.85 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.09 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, Ala CH₃), 1.17 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.64 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.87 (d, J = 13.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.35–2.42 (m, 2H, 2 CH), 2.48 (dd, J = 10.9, 13.4 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.98 (s, 3H, NCH₃), 3.03 (dd, J = 14.9, 8.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.21 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.30 (dd, J = 14.9, 8.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.21 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.30 (dd, J = 14.9, 8.1 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.77 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H, CHOCH₃), 4.74–4.86 (m, 2H, Ala CH, 7-H), 4.89 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H, =CH), 5.26 (dd, J = 8.3, 8.6 Hz, 1H, β-Tyr CH), 5.57 (t, J = 8.1, 8.1 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 5.68 (bs, 1H, CONH₂), 6.14 (bs, 1H, CONH₂), 6.54 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 6.70 (d, J =

2.3 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 6.98 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H, β-Tyr NH), 7.09–7.19 (m, 4H, Trp H_{Ar}, Ar), 7.33 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.60–7.64 (d+d, 3H, Trp H_{Ar}, Ar), 8.14 (s, 1H, Trp NH); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ = 15.8, 16.6, 17.6, 18.8, 20.1, 23.8 (CH₂), 30.2 (NCH₃), 37.1, 40.2, 44.1 (CH₂), 45.2 (Ala CH), 54.5 (β-Tyr CH), 56.0 (Trp CH), 58.2 (OCH₃), 77.2 (CO₂CH), 82.0 (CHOCH₃), 110.2, 111.3, 118.5, 119.4, 122.1, 122.3, 127.1, 127.2, 127.4, 128.1, 132.6, 134.1 (=C<), 136.1, 142.3, 169.1, 169.6, 170.2, 174.0, 174.4; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for C₃₇H₄₇N₅O₇ [M+Na]⁺: 696.33677; found: 696.337415.

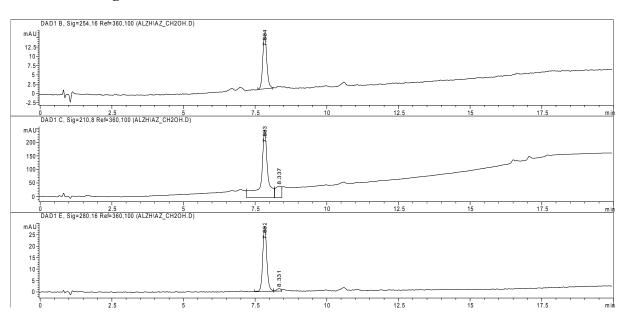
Chondramide 2k (Ph). To a stirred solution of compound 22k (62.4 mg, 0.0708 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (2.1 mL) was added TFA (0.21 mL, 0.322 g, 2.82 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and after stirring for 21 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo [TLC control: CH₂Cl₂/MeOH/NH₃, 10:1:0.1, R_f (amino ester intermediate) 0.47, (amino acid) 0.2]. For azeotropic removal of TFA the residue was taken up in toluene (3 × 0.5 mL) and concentrated in vacuo each time. The crude product was dissolved in DMF (35 mL, that corresponds to 0.002M concentration of the starting amino acid) and iPr₂NEt (62 µL, 46.0 mg, 0.356 mmol, 5 equiv), HOBt (14.3 mg, 0.106 mmol, 2 equiv) and TBTU (34.1 mg, 0.106 mmol, 2 equiv) were added. The solution was stirred at room temperature for 20 h and then diluted with water (20 mL) and EtOAc (20 mL). The aqueous layer was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 20 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with 5% aqueous KHSO₄ solution (20 mL), water (20 mL), saturated NaHCO₃ solution (20 mL), water (2 × 20 mL) and saturated NaCl solution (20 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated in vacuo. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc) to give depsipeptide 2k (27.3 mg, 54%) as a colorless foam. R_f (EtOAc) 0.4; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +20.3$ (c 2.00, CH₂Cl₂); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 0.74$ (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 0.84 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.03 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.16 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H, CH₃), 1.63 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.81 (d, J = 13.9 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.33–2.40 (m, 3H, 2 CH), 2.55 $(dd, J = 13.9, 10.1 \text{ Hz}, 1H, CH_2), 2.95 (s, 3H, NCH_3), 3.16 (dd, J = 15.7, 9.2 \text{ Hz}, 1H, CH_2), 3.27 (s, 3.16)$ 3H, OCH₃), 3.30 (dd, J = 15.2, 7.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 3.86 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H, CHOMe), 4.78–4.86 (m, 2H, Ala CH, 7-H), 4.91 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H, =CH), 5.41 (dd, J = 9.1, 7.1, Hz, 1H, β -Tyr CH), 5.68 (dd, J = 9.2, 7.0 Hz, 1H, Trp CH), 6.60 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H, Ala NH), 6.84 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Trp) H_{Ar}), 7.09–7.18 (m, 3H, β -Tyr NH, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.23–7.36 (m (d+d+t), 4H, Ar, Trp H_{Ar}), 7.43 (dd, J= 7.1, 7.8 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.50 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.55 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.62 (d, 1H, J = 7.6Hz, Trp H_{Ar}), 8.05 (s, 1H, Trp NH); 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): $\delta = 15.1$, 16.6, 17.5, 18.6, 20.5, 23.2 (CH₂), 30.1 (NCH₃), 37.0, 40.3, 43.8 (CH₂), 45.3 (Ala CH), 54.2 (β-Tyr CH), 55.7 (Trp CH), 58.0 (OCH₃), 75.9 (CO₂CH), 82.4 (CHOCH₃), 110.5 (quat. Trp), 111.1, 118.6, 119.4, 122.0, 122.1, 127.0, 127.1 (quat. Trp), 127.2, 127.3, 127.4 (=CH), 128.4, 128.8, 134.2 (=C<), 136.1 (quat. Trp), 136.6, 140.55, 140.58, 169.9, 170.3, 174.1, 174.6; HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{42}H_{50}N_4O_6$ $[M+Na]^+$: 729.36226; found: 729.36180.

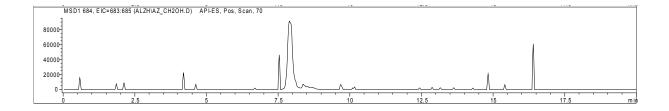
LC-MS-traces of some of the chondramide A analogues

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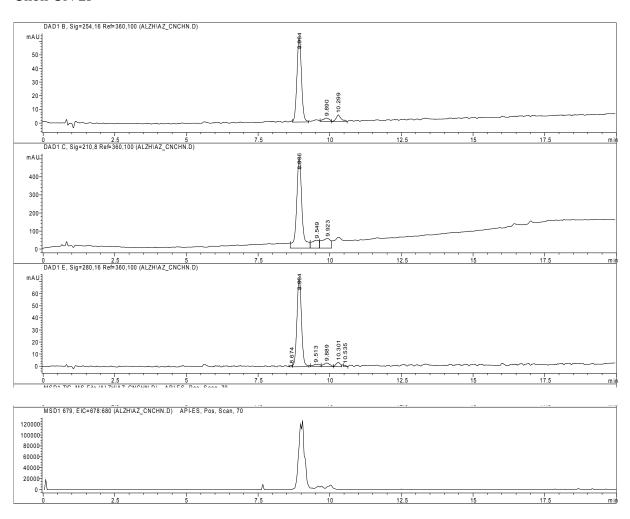


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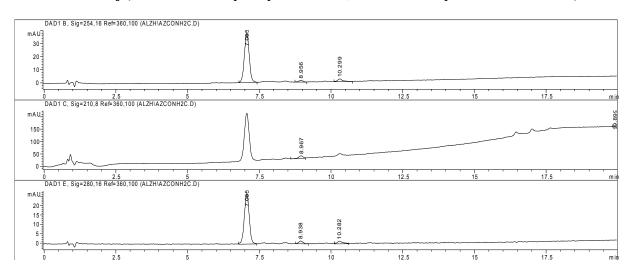


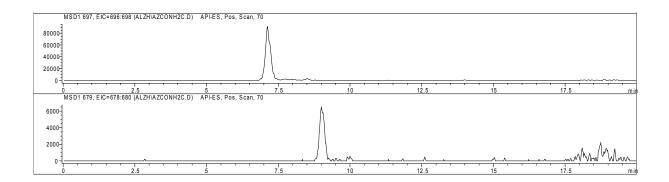


Chon CN 2i



Chon CONH₂ 2j (mixture of the hydrolysis reaction, the Chon CN peak is at ~8.94 min)





Proof of structure of benzotriazolyl ether

Alkaline hydrolysis (K_2CO_3 , MeOH, H_2O , rt, overnight) of the less polar product, which was initially assumed to be the CH_2OTFA ester (because of the high shift benzylic methylene proton, δ = 5.49, s, overlapped, 2H, $ArCH_2OBt$), did not lead to the desired chondramide, and the polar compound, that obviously must be some open-chained chondramide derivative (acid), was isolated by column chromatography ($CH_2Cl_2/MeOH/AcOH$ 10:1:0.05; R_f in 10:1:0.1 is 0.38). NMR examination revealed that the high shift benzylic methylene proton (δ = 5.48, s, 2H, $ArCH_2OBt$) is still present. It became clear that during macrolactamization, the trifluororacetate changed to a functionality stable to hydrolysis. This could be only benzotriazolyl ether, resulting from nucleophilic attack of HOBt present in excess in the reaction mixture. Unambigouosly, this was proved by HRMS analysis of the acid. HMRS (ESI): m/z: calcd for $C_{43}H_{53}N_7O_8$ [M+Na]⁺: 818.38479; found: 818.38525.

¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra of the products

