# $\alpha-\mathbf{C}-\mathbf{H}$ Bond Functionalization of Unprotected Alicyclic Amines: Lewis Acid Promoted Addition of Enolates to Transient Imines 

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General Information: Starting materials and reagents were purchased from commercial sources and used as received unless stated otherwise. Anhydrous diethyl ether and tetrahydrofuran was dried using a JC Meyer solvent system. All liquid amines, liquid esters, nitriles, and trifluoroacetophenone were distilled prior to use. $n$ - BuLi solution in hexanes was purchased from commercial sources and freshly titrated using $N$-pivaloyl-o-toluidine prior to use. ${ }^{1}$ Purification of reaction products was carried out by flash column chromatography using Sorbent Technologies Standard Grade silica gel ( $60 \AA, 230-400$ mesh). Analytical thin layer chromatography was performed on EM Reagent 0.25 mm silica gel 60 F254 plates. Visualization was accomplished with UV light, Dragendorff-Munier or $\mathrm{KMnO}_{4}$ stains, followed by heating. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance spectra ( ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR) were recorded on Bruker 400 MHz and Varian Unity Inova 500 MHz instrument and chemical shifts are reported in ppm using the solvent as an internal standard $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ at 7.26 ppm$)$. Data are reported as app = apparent, $\mathrm{s}=$ singlet, $\mathrm{d}=$ doublet, $\mathrm{t}=$ triplet, $\mathrm{q}=$ quartet, $\mathrm{m}=$ multiplet, comp = complex, br = broad; coupling constant(s) in Hz. Proton-decoupled carbon nuclear magnetic resonance spectra ( ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR) spectra were recorded on a Bruker 400 MHz and Varian Unity Inova 500 MHz instrument and chemical shifts are reported in ppm using the solvent as an internal standard $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right.$ at 77.16 ppm$)$. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained from an Agilent 6230 ESI-TOF instrument. Compounds $( \pm) \mathbf{- 1 a},{ }^{2}( \pm) \mathbf{- 1 a},{ }^{2}{ }^{2}( \pm)-\mathbf{1 e},{ }^{3}$ $( \pm) \mathbf{- 1 1},{ }^{4}( \pm) \mathbf{3 a},{ }^{5}( \pm) \mathbf{3 b},{ }^{5}( \pm)-\mathbf{3 f},{ }^{6}( \pm)-\mathbf{4 a},{ }^{7}( \pm)-\mathbf{4 a},{ }^{,}{ }^{7}( \pm)-\mathbf{4 b}{ }^{8}( \pm)-\mathbf{4 c},{ }^{9}( \pm)-\mathbf{4 c},{ }^{,},{ }^{9}( \pm)-\mathbf{4 d}{ }^{10}$ and $( \pm)-\mathbf{6}^{11}$ were previously reported and their published characterization data matched our own in all respects.

## General Procedure A for the $\boldsymbol{\alpha}-\mathbf{C}-\mathbf{H}$ Bond Functionalization of Unprotected Alicyclic Amines with Ester or Nitrile Enolates:

To a stirred solution of diisopropylamine ( $1 \mathrm{mmol}, 1$ equiv, $141 \mu \mathrm{~L}$ ) in anhydrous THF ( 1.5 mL ) was added dropwise $n$-BuLi in hexanes ( $1 \mathrm{mmol}, 1$ equiv) at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ under nitrogen and the resulting solution was stirred at the same temperature for 10 min . To this was then added a solution of the corresponding ester or nitrile ( $1 \mathrm{mmol}, 1$ equiv) in anhydrous THF ( 1.0 mL ). The resulting mixture was stirred at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 30 min . To a separate dry round-bottom flask charged with the corresponding cyclic amine ( 2 mmol , 2 equiv) was added dry ether ( 1.5 mL ). The solution was cooled to $-78{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and $n$-BuLi in hexanes ( $2 \mathrm{mmol}, 2$ equiv) was added dropwise. The mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 10 minutes, and a solution of trifluoroacetophenone ( $2.1 \mathrm{mmol}, 2.1$ equiv, $295 \mu \mathrm{~L}$ ) in dry ether ( 1 mL ) was then added dropwise. The mixture was stirred at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for another 10 minutes to give the corresponding cyclic imine solution in ether. The imine solution was then taken up by a syringe and added in one portion to the stirred lithium-enolate solution at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ followed immediately by the addition of $\mathrm{BF}_{3} \cdot \mathrm{OEt}_{2}(2.4 \mathrm{mmol}, 2.4$ equiv, $296 \mu \mathrm{~L}$ ). Subsequently, the reaction vessel was taken out of the low temperature bath and stirred at room temperature for 2 h . The reaction mixture was then cooled to $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution ( 4 mL ) was added. The resulting mixture was diluted with $\mathrm{EtOAc}(20 \mathrm{~mL})$ and washed with saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution ( 20 mL ). The aqueous layer was then extracted with EtOAc $(3 \times 20 \mathrm{~mL})$ and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Solvent was then removed under reduced pressure and the residue purified by silica gel chromatography.

## General Procedure B for the $\alpha-\mathbf{C}-\mathbf{H}$ Bond Functionalization of Unprotected Alicyclic Amines with Ester or Nitrile Enolates:

To a stirred solution of diisopropylamine ( 1 mmol , 1 equiv, $141 \mu \mathrm{~L}$ ) in anhydrous THF ( 1.5 mL ) was added dropwise $n$-BuLi in hexanes ( $1 \mathrm{mmol}, 1$ equiv) at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ under nitrogen and the resulting solution was stirred at the same temperature for 10 min . To this was then added a solution of the corresponding ester or nitrile ( $1 \mathrm{mmol}, 1$ equiv) in anhydrous THF ( 1.0 mL ). The resulting mixture was stirred at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 15 min . Subsequently, the reaction vessel was taken out of the low temperature bath and stirred at room temperature for 15 min after which it was cooled back down to $-78{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. To a separate dry round-bottom flask charged with the corresponding cyclic amine ( $2 \mathrm{mmol}, 2$ equiv) was added dry ether ( 1.5 mL ). The solution was cooled to $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and $n-\mathrm{BuLi}$ in hexanes ( $2 \mathrm{mmol}, 2$ equiv) was added dropwise. The mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 10 minutes, and a solution of trifluoroacetophenone ( 2.1 mmol , 2.1 equiv, $295 \mu \mathrm{~L}$ ) in dry ether ( 1 mL ) was then added dropwise. The mixture was stirred at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for another 10 minutes to give the corresponding cyclic imine solution in ether. The imine solution was then taken up by a syringe and added in one portion to the stirred lithium-enolate solution at $-78{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ followed immediately by the addition of $\mathrm{BF}_{3} \cdot \mathrm{OEt}_{2}(2.4 \mathrm{mmol}, 2.4$ equiv, $296 \mu \mathrm{~L}$ ). Subsequently, the reaction vessel was taken out of the low temperature bath and stirred at room temperature for 2 h . The reaction mixture was then cooled to 0 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution ( 4 mL ) was added. The resulting mixture was diluted with EtOAc (20 mL ) and washed with saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution $(20 \mathrm{~mL})$. The aqueous layer was then extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 20 \mathrm{~mL}$ ) and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Solvent was then removed under reduced pressure and the residue purified by silica gel chromatography.

## General Procedure $\mathbf{C}$ for the $\alpha-\mathbf{C}-\mathbf{H}$ Bond Functionalization of Unprotected Alicyclic Amines with 1,3-Diketone Dianions:

To a stirred solution of diisopropylamine ( 2 mmol , 2 equiv, $282 \mu \mathrm{~L}$ ) in anhydrous THF ( 1.5 mL ) was added dropwise $n$ - BuLi in hexanes ( $2 \mathrm{mmol}, 2$ equiv) at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ under nitrogen and the resulting solution was stirred at $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 10 min . To this was then added a solution of the corresponding 1,3 -diketone ( $1 \mathrm{mmol}, 1 \mathrm{equiv}$ ) in anhydrous THF (1.0 mL ). The resulting mixture was stirred at $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 1 h and then cooled down to $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. To a separate dry round-
bottom flask charged with the corresponding cyclic amine ( $2 \mathrm{mmol}, 2$ equiv) was added dry ether ( 1.5 mL ). The solution was cooled to $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and $n-\mathrm{BuLi}$ in hexanes ( $2 \mathrm{mmol}, 2$ equiv) was added dropwise. The mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 10 minutes, and a solution of trifluoroacetophenone ( $2.1 \mathrm{mmol}, 2.1$ equiv, $295 \mu \mathrm{~L}$ ) in dry ether ( 1 mL ) was then added dropwise. The mixture was stirred at $-78{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for another 10 minutes to give the corresponding cyclic imine solution in ether. The imine solution was then taken up by a syringe and added in one portion to the stirred lithium-enolate solution at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ followed immediately by the addition of $\mathrm{BF}_{3} \cdot \mathrm{OEt}_{2}(2.4 \mathrm{mmol}$, 2.4 equiv, $296 \mu \mathrm{~L}$ ). The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 16 h after which saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution ( 4 mL ) was added. Subsequently, the reaction vessel was taken out of the low temperature bath and stirred at room temperature for 10 h . The resulting mixture was diluted with EtOAc $(20 \mathrm{~mL})$ and washed with saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution $(20 \mathrm{~mL})$. The aqueous layer was then extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 20 \mathrm{~mL}$ ) and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Solvent was then removed under reduced pressure and the residue purified by silica gel chromatography.

## General Procedure $D$ for the $\alpha-C-H$ Bond Functionalization of Unprotected Alicyclic Amines with $\alpha, \beta$ Unsaturated Ketone Enolates:

To a solution of diisopropylamine ( $1 \mathrm{mmol}, 1$ equiv, $141 \mu \mathrm{~L}$ ) in anhydrous THF ( 1.5 mL ) was added dropwise $n-\mathrm{BuLi}$ in hexanes ( $1 \mathrm{mmol}, 1$ equiv) at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ under nitrogen and the resulting solution was stirred at the same temperature for 10 min . To this was then added a solution of the corresponding $\alpha, \beta$-unsaturated ketone ( $1 \mathrm{mmol}, 1$ equiv) in anhydrous THF ( 1.0 mL ). The resulting mixture was stirred at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 30 min . To a separate dry round-bottom flask charged with the corresponding cyclic amine ( $2 \mathrm{mmol}, 2$ equiv) was added dry ether ( 1.5 mL ). The solution was cooled to $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and $n$ - BuLi in hexanes ( 2 mmol , 2 equiv) was added dropwise. The mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 10 minutes, and a solution of trifluoroacetophenone ( $2.1 \mathrm{mmol}, 2.1$ equiv, $295 \mu \mathrm{~L}$ ) in dry ether ( 1 mL ) was then added dropwise. The mixture was stirred at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for another 10 minutes to give the corresponding cyclic imine solution in ether. The imine solution was then taken up by a syringe and added in one portion to the stirred lithium-enolate solution at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ followed immediately by the addition of $\mathrm{BF}_{3} \cdot \mathrm{OEt}_{2}(2.4 \mathrm{mmol}, 2.4$ equiv, $296 \mu \mathrm{~L}$ ). The reaction vessel was taken out of the low temperature bath and stirred at room temperature for 2 h . The reaction mixture was then cooled to $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution $(4 \mathrm{~mL})$ was added and stirred at room temperature for $2-72 \mathrm{~h}$. The resulting mixture was diluted with EtOAc $(20 \mathrm{~mL})$ and washed with saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution $(20 \mathrm{~mL})$. The aqueous layer was then extracted with EtOAc $(3 \times 20 \mathrm{~mL})$ and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Solvent was then removed under reduced pressure and the residue purified by silica gel chromatography.

## Methyl-(R)*-2-phenyl-2-((S)*-piperidin-2-yl)acetate


( $\pm$ )-1a'

To a stirred solution of diisopropylamine ( $141 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$, 1 equiv) in anhydrous THF ( 1.5 mL ) was added dropwise a 2.5 M solution of $n-\mathrm{BuLi}$ in hexanes $\left(400 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}, 1\right.$ equiv) at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ under nitrogen and the resulting solution was stirred at the same temperature for 10 min . To this was then added a solution of methyl phenylacetate $(150 \mathrm{mg}$, $1 \mathrm{mmol}, 1$ equiv) in anhydrous THF ( 1.0 mL ). The resulting mixture was stirred at $-78{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 30 min . To a separate dry round-bottom flask charged with piperidine ( $197 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}, 2$ equiv) was added dry ether ( 1.5 mL ). The solution was cooled to $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and a 2.5 M solution of $n$ - BuLi in hexanes ( $800 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}, 2$ equiv) was added dropwise. The mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 10 minutes, and a solution of trifluoroacetophenone ( $295 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2.1$ $\mathrm{mmol}, 2.1$ equiv) in dry ether ( 1 mL ) was then added dropwise. The mixture was stirred at $-78{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for another 10 minutes to give a solution of 1-piperideine in ether. The 1-piperideine solution was then taken up by a syringe and added in one portion to the stirred lithium-enolate solution at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ followed immediately by the addition of $\mathrm{BF}_{3} \cdot \mathrm{OEt}_{2}(296 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2.4 \mathrm{mmol}, 2.4$ equiv). The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 30 min and then saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution $(4 \mathrm{~mL})$ was added. The reaction vessel was taken out of the low temperature bath and warmed up to room temperature. The resulting mixture was diluted with EtOAc ( 20 mL ) and washed with saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution $(20 \mathrm{~mL})$. The aqueous layer was then extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 20 \mathrm{~mL}$ ) and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Solvent was then removed under reduced pressure and the residue purified by silica gel chromatography to yield ( $\pm$ )-1a' and ( $\pm$ )-1a in $89 \%$ combined yield ( $0.89 \mathrm{mmol}, 207$ mg ) and $1.5: 1$ diastereomeric ratio. EtOAc containing methanol ( $1-9 \%$ ) and isopropylamine ( $1 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography. The major diastereomer was isolated as a clear oil.

## Characterization data of the major diastereomer:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.40$ in $\mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{MeOH} / i-\mathrm{PrNH}_{2} 90: 9: 1 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=7.42-7.36(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.35-7.29(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.29-7.22(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.62(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.45$ $(\mathrm{d}, J=10.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.09(\operatorname{app} \mathrm{td}, J=10.2,2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.94-2.86(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.48(\operatorname{app} \mathrm{td}, J=11.5,2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.83-$ $1.74(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.59-1.49(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.48-1.30(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.30-1.18(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(125 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=172.9,135.9,128.7,128.5,127.7,58.9,58.1,51.7,46.9,30.9,25.6,24.3$.
HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 234.1489$, Found: 234.1481.

## Methyl-( $R$ )*-2-phenyl-2-(( $R$ )*-piperidin-2-yl)acetate


$( \pm)-1 \mathbf{a}$

From the reaction shown above, the minor diastereomer was isolated as a clear oil.

## Characterization data of the minor diastereomer:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.23$ in $\mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{MeOH} / i-\operatorname{PrNH}_{2} 90: 9: 1 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-$ NMR $\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=7.34-7.22(\mathrm{comp}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 3.63(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.44(\mathrm{~d}, J=10.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.12(\operatorname{app} \mathrm{td}, J=$ $10.4,2.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.09-3.02(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.69(\mathrm{td}, J=12.0,2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.02(\mathrm{brs}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.72-1.62(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.61-1.52$ $(\mathrm{m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.43-1.31(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.29-1.14(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.01-0.89(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13}$ C-NMR ( $125 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta=173.7,136.4,128.5,128.4,127.4,58.8,58.6,51.8,46.8,29.9,26.0,24.3$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 234.1489$, Found: 234.1477.
$( \pm)$-1a was obtained as the major diastereomer using the following procedure: To a stirred solution of diisopropylamine ( $212 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1.5 \mathrm{mmol}, 1.5$ equiv) in anhydrous THF ( 1.5 mL ) under nitrogen was added dropwise a 2.5 M solution of $n$ - BuLi in hexanes ( $600 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1.5 \mathrm{mmol}, 1.5$ equiv) at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The resulting solution was stirred at the same temperature for 10 min . To this was then added a solution of methyl phenylacetate ( $225 \mathrm{mg}, 1.5 \mathrm{mmol}, 1.5$ equiv) in anhydrous THF ( 1.0 mL ). The resulting mixture was stirred at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 30 min . To a separate dry roundbottom flask charged with piperidine ( $99 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}, 1$ equiv) was added dry ether ( 1.5 mL ). The resulting solution was cooled to $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and a 2.5 M solution of $n-\mathrm{BuLi}$ in hexanes ( $400 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}, 1$ equiv) was added dropwise. The mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 10 minutes, and a solution of trifluoroacetophenone ( $147 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1.05$ mmol, 1.05 equiv) in dry ether ( 1 mL ) was then added dropwise. The mixture was stirred at $-78{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for another 10 minutes to give a solution of 1-piperideine in ether. The lithium-enolate solution was then taken up by a syringe and added in one portion to the stirred 1-piperideine solution at $-78^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ followed immediately by the addition of $\mathrm{BF}_{3} \cdot \mathrm{OEt}_{2}$ ( $296 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2.4 \mathrm{mmol}, 2.4$ equiv). Subsequently, the reaction vessel was taken out of the low temperature bath and stirred at room temperature for 2 h . The reaction mixture was then cooled to $0{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ solution $(4 \mathrm{~mL})$ was added. The resulting mixture was diluted with EtOAc $(20 \mathrm{~mL})$ and washed with saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ solution ( 20 mL ). The aqueous layer was then extracted with EtOAc ( $3 \times 20 \mathrm{~mL}$ ) and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Solvent was then removed under reduced pressure and the residue purified by silica gel chromatography to yield ( $\pm$ )-1a and $( \pm)-1 \mathbf{a}^{\prime}$ in $66 \%$ combined yield $(0.66 \mathrm{mmol}, 154 \mathrm{mg})$ and $3.2: 1$ diastereomeric ratio. EtOAc containing methanol (1-9\%) and isopropylamine (1\%) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography. The major diastereomer was isolated as a clear oil.

## Methyl-(R)*-2-phenyl-2-((S)*-pyrrolidin-2-yl)acetate


( $\pm$ )-1b

Following general procedure A, compound ( $\pm$ )-1b was obtained from pyrrolidine ( $164 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and methyl phenylacetate ( $150 \mathrm{mg}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $46 \%$ combined yield ( $0.46 \mathrm{mmol}, 101 \mathrm{mg}$ ) and 2.4:1 diastereomeric ratio (erythro : threo). Dichloromethane containing methanol (5-10\%) followed by EtOAc containing methanol (1-20\%) and isopropylamine ( $1 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography. The major diastereomer was isolated as a clear oil.

## Characterization data of the major diastereomer:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.37$ in $\mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{MeOH} / i-\mathrm{PrNH}_{2} 90: 9: 1 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathrm{NMR}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=7.41-7.35(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.35-7.22(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.71-3.59(\mathrm{comp}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 3.50(\mathrm{~d}, \mathrm{~J}=$ $9.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.92(\mathrm{ddd}, J=9.9,7.7,5.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.76(\mathrm{ddd}, J=9.9,8.2,6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.49(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.04(\mathrm{dddd}, J=$ $12.2,8.9,6.8,5.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.91-1.68(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.48$ (app ddt, $J=12.5,9.5,7.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=173.2,137.5,128.8,128.5,127.7,61.3,57.5,52.0,45.8,30.0,24.5$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 220.1332$, Found: 220.1332.

## Methyl-(R)*-2-phenyl-2-((R)*-pyrrolidin-2-yl)acetate


( $\pm$ )-1 $\mathbf{b}^{\prime}$

From the reaction shown above, the minor diastereomer was isolated as a clear oil.

## Characterization data of the minor diastereomer:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.11$ in $\mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{MeOH} / i-\mathrm{PrNH}_{2} 90: 9: 1 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=7.33-7.23(\mathrm{comp}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 3.79-3.68(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.65(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.42(\mathrm{~d}, J=10.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $3.04-2.90(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.28(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.82-1.70(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.70-1.58(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.57-1.46(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.26(\mathrm{app} d d t, J=$ $12.7,9.0,7.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C - N M R}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=174.2,137.4,128.8,128.3,127.6,61.4,59.0,52.1,46.7,29.6,25.2$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}:$220.1332, Found: 220.1342.

## Benzyl-2-(pyrrolidin-2-yl)acetate


( $\pm$ - $\mathbf{- 1 c}$

Following general procedure B , compound $( \pm)-1 \mathbf{c}$ was obtained from pyrrolidine ( $164 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and benzyl acetate ( $150 \mathrm{mg}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $40 \%$ yield ( $0.40 \mathrm{mmol}, 88 \mathrm{mg}$ ) as a colorless oil. EtOAc containing methanol ( $1-9 \%$ ) and isopropylamine ( $1 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.16$ in $\mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{MeOH} / i-\mathrm{PrNH}_{2} 90: 9: 1 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathrm{NMR}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=7.40-7.29(\mathrm{comp}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 5.16-5.10(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.44(\mathrm{app} \mathrm{qd}, J=7.7,5.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, 2.99 (ddd, $J=10.1,7.6,5.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.88(\mathrm{ddd}, J=10.1,8.1,6.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.69-2.40(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.28-2.12(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, 1.92 (dddd, $J=12.1,8.7,7.0,4.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.84-1.59(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.35(\operatorname{app} \operatorname{ddt}, J=12.3,9.2,7.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=172.3,136.0,128.6,128.2,66.2,54.9,46.4,41.0,31.2,25.0$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}:$220.1332, Found: 220.1343.

## Ethyl-2-((1R*, 3a $\left.R^{*}, 6 \mathrm{a} S^{*}\right)$-octahydrocyclopenta[c]pyrrol-1-yl)acetate


( $\pm$ )-1d

Following general procedure A, compound ( $\pm$ )- $\mathbf{1 d}$ was obtained from octahydrocyclopenta[c]pyrrole ( $222 \mathrm{mg}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and ethyl acetate ( $98 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $32 \%$ yield ( $0.32 \mathrm{mmol}, 63 \mathrm{mg}$ ) as a colorless oil in $>20: 1$ diastereomeric ratio. EtOAc containing methanol ( $1-9 \%$ ) and isopropylamine ( $1 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.26$ in $\mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{MeOH} / i-\mathrm{PrNH}_{2} 90: 9: 1 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathrm{NMR}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=4.10(\mathrm{q}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.21(\mathrm{ddd}, J=10.1,8.2,0.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.84$ (ddd, $J=8.8$, $7.3,4.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.66-2.48(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.46-2.33(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.26(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.14-2.03(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.63-1.45(\mathrm{comp}$, $4 \mathrm{H}), 1.43-1.32(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.22(\mathrm{t}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-$ NMR $\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=172.7,62.3,60.4,53.5,49.7,43.7,40.1,31.8,30.9,25.3,14.3$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 198.1489$, Found: 198.1488.

## tert-Butyl-2-(piperidin-2-yl)acetate


( $\pm$ )-1e

Following general procedure B , compound $( \pm)-1 \mathbf{e}$ was obtained from piperidine ( $197 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and tert-butyl acetate ( $116 \mathrm{mg}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $30 \%$ yield ( $0.3 \mathrm{mmol}, 60 \mathrm{mg}$ ) as a colorless oil. Dichloromethane containing methanol ( $1-10 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.55$ in $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} / \mathrm{MeOH} 90: 10 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=3.34-3.22(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.13-3.00(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.88(\mathrm{dddd}, J=10.4,7.7,5.7,2.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, 2.65 (app td, $J=11.8,2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.37-2.26(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.89-1.70(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.68-1.53(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.48-1.28$ (comp, 11H), 1.18 (app tdd, $J=12.5,10.8,3.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-$ NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta=171.7,80.7,53.5,46.7,42.432 .1,28.2$ 25.7, 24.5

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 200.1645$, Found: 200.1642.

## Ethyl-2-((2R*,4R*)-4-benzylpiperidin-2-yl)acetate


$( \pm)-1 f$

Following general procedure A, compound ( $\pm$ )-1f was obtained from 4-benzylpiperidine ( $351 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and ethyl acetate ( $98 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $92 \%$ yield ( $0.92 \mathrm{mmol}, 240 \mathrm{mg}$ ) as a colorless oil in $>20: 1$ diastereomeric ratio. EtOAc containing methanol ( $1-19 \%$ ) and isopropylamine ( $1 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.16$ in $\mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{MeOH} / i-\mathrm{PrNH}_{2}$ 80:19:1 v/v/v.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=7.30-7.21(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.21-7.07(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 4.11(\mathrm{q}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.43-3.33$ $(\mathrm{m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.96-2.85(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.85-2.75(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.65(\mathrm{~d}, J=7.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.56-2.42(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.35-2.25(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.10$ (brs, 1H), 2.03-1.95 (m, 1H), 1.69-1.57 (m, 1H), 1.52-1.37 (comp, 2H), 1.41-1.28 (m, 1H), $1.23(\mathrm{t}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13}$ C-NMR (100 MHz, $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=172.2,140.6,128.8,128.0,125.6,60.1,48.1,40.5,39.9,39.2,35.8,33.2,30.5$, 14.0.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 262.1802$, Found: 262.1789.

## Ethyl-2-((2' $\left.\mathbf{R}^{*}, \mathbf{4}^{\prime} \mathbf{R}^{*}\right)$-[1,4'-bipiperidin]-2'-yl)acetate


$( \pm)-1 \mathrm{~g}$

Following general procedure A , compound ( $\pm$ )- $\mathbf{1 g}$ was obtained from $1,4^{\prime}$-bipiperidine ( $336.3 \mathrm{mg}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and ethyl acetate ( $98 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $42 \%$ yield $(0.42 \mathrm{mmol}, 107 \mathrm{mg})$ as a colorless oil in $>20: 1$ diastereomeric ratio. EtOAc containing methanol ( $1-9 \%$ ) and isopropylamine ( $1 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.18$ in $\mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{MeOH} / i-\mathrm{PrNH}_{2}$ 80:19:1 v/v/v.
${ }^{\mathbf{1}} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=4.05(\mathrm{q}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.47(\mathrm{app} \mathrm{dtd}, J=9.3,5.6,4.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.90(\mathrm{ddd}, J=$ $12.2,6.2,4.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.68(\mathrm{ddd}, J=12.0,7.3,4.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.51(\mathrm{dd}, J=15.5,9.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.42-2.30(\mathrm{comp}, 5 \mathrm{H})$, $2.26(\mathrm{dd}, J=15.6,5.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.10-1.84(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.75(\mathrm{ddd}, J=12.9,8.6,4.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.63-1.53(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.53-$ 1.37 (comp, 5H), 1.37-1.29 (comp, 2H), 1.17 (t, $J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}$ ).
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=172.4,60.3,57.7,50.5,48.7,40.4,38.3,33.6,28.8,26.4,24.7,14.2$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{27} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 255.2067$, Found: 255.2070.

## Ethyl-2-(4-benzylpiperazin-2-yl)acetate


$( \pm)-1 \mathrm{~h}$

Following general procedure A, compound ( $\pm$ )- $\mathbf{1 h}$ was obtained from 1-benzylpiperazine ( $348 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and ethyl acetate $(98 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol})$ in $66 \%$ yield $(0.66 \mathrm{mmol}, 172 \mathrm{mg})$ as a colorless oil. EtOAc containing methanol ( $1-9 \%$ ) and isopropylamine (1\%) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.15$ in $\mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{MeOH} / i-\operatorname{PrNH}_{2} 90: 9: 1 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathrm{NMR}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=7.33-7.23(\mathrm{comp}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 7.26-7.16(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 4.09(\mathrm{q}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.53-3.41$ (comp, 2H), 3.16 (dddd, $J=10.1,7.9,5.4,2.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.97-2.84$ (comp, 2H), 2.74-2.66 (comp, 2H), 2.55 (s, 1H), 2.43-2.20 (comp, 2H), 2.15-2.03 (m, 1H), 1.86-1.76 (m, 1H), 1.20 (t, $J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): ~ \delta=171.7,137.8,128.8,128.0,126.8,63.0,60.2,58.6,53.3,51.3,45.1,38.5,14.0$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$: 263.1754, Found: 263.1746.

## Ethyl-2-methyl-2-(piperidin-2-yl)propanoate


$( \pm)-1 \mathbf{i}$

Following general procedure B , compound $( \pm)-\mathbf{1 i}$ was obtained from piperidine ( $197 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and ethyl isobutyrate ( $116 \mathrm{mg}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $30 \%$ yield $(0.30 \mathrm{mmol}, 60 \mathrm{mg})$ as a colorless oil. Dichloromethane containing methanol ( $1-10 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.51$ in $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} / \mathrm{MeOH} 90: 10 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=4.18-4.05(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.08(\mathrm{app} \mathrm{dq}, J=12.3,2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.73-2.52(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $1.85-1.78(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.69(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.61-1.50(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.41-1.27(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.23(\mathrm{t}, J=7.1,3 \mathrm{H}), 1.15-1.06(\mathrm{comp}$, $7 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}$-NMR (125 MHz, $\left.\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=177.5,63.4,60.4,47.8,46.1,27.2,26.8,25.2,22.2,21.1,14.2$.
HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 200.1645$, Found: 200.1644.

## Methyl-1-(piperidin-2-yl)cyclohexane-1-carboxylate


$( \pm)-\mathbf{1 j}$

Following general procedure B , compound $( \pm) \mathbf{- 1} \mathbf{j}$ was obtained from piperidine ( $197 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and methyl cyclohexanecarboxylate ( $142 \mathrm{mg}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $62 \%$ yield $(0.62 \mathrm{mmol}, 140 \mathrm{mg})$ as a colorless oil. Dichloromethane containing methanol ( $1-10 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.44$ in $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} / \mathrm{MeOH} 90: 10 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=3.68(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.22-3.05(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.84-2.50(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.46(\mathrm{dd}, J=11.4,2.3 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 2.18-2.02(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.84-1.75(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.66-1.47(\mathrm{comp}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 1.41-1.17(\mathrm{comp}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 1.17-1.00(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=175.8,64.6,51.6,51.4,47.9,31.2,31.0,27.5,26.5,25.9,25.2,23.6$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 226.1802$, Found: 226.1807.

## Ethyl-1-(piperidin-2-yl)cyclobutane-1-carboxylate


$( \pm)-1 \mathrm{k}$

Following general procedure B , compound $( \pm)-\mathbf{1 k}$ was obtained from piperidine ( $197 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and ethyl cyclobutanecarboxylate ( $128 \mathrm{mg}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $52 \%$ yield $(0.52 \mathrm{mmol}, 110 \mathrm{mg})$ as a colorless oil. Dichloromethane containing methanol ( $1-10 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.42$ in $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} / \mathrm{MeOH} 90: 10 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=4.12(\mathrm{q}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.16-3.05(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.81-2.63(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.57$ (app ddt, $J=12.3,9.7,2.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.39-2.23(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.23-2.11(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.01(\operatorname{app} \mathrm{dddt}, J=11.9,9.4,6.7,1.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $1.89-1.67(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.63-1.56(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.56-1.46(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.37-1.25(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.21(\mathrm{t}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.07$ (app tdd, $J=12.6,11.3,3.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ).
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=176.3,62.3,60.5,51.4,47.5,27.9,27.4,26.9,26.4,24.9,15.8,14.3$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 212.1645$, Found: 212.1649.

## Ethyl-2-(azepan-2-yl)acetate



Following general procedure A, compound ( $\pm$ )-11 was obtained from azepane ( $225 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and ethyl acetate ( 98 $\mu \mathrm{L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $52 \%$ yield ( $0.52 \mathrm{mmol}, 96 \mathrm{mg}$ ) as a colorless oil. EtOAc containing methanol ( $1-9 \%$ ) and isopropylamine ( $1 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.16$ in $\mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{MeOH} / i-\mathrm{PrNH}_{2} 90: 9: 1 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=4.11(\mathrm{q}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.12(\mathrm{dddd}, J=9.6,7.6,5.8,4.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.99-2.89(\mathrm{~m}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 2.77-2.64(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.44-2.29(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.83-1.68(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.72-1.54(\mathrm{comp}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 1.54-1.46(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, $1.49-1.29(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.23(\mathrm{t}, J=7.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=172.4,60.3,55.5,46.8,42.3,36.2,31.0,27.2,25.5,14.2$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 186.1489$, Found: 186.1497.

## Ethyl-2-(azocan-2-yl)acetate


( $\pm$ )-1m

Following general procedure A , compound ( $\pm$ )-1m was obtained from azocane ( $253 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and ethyl acetate $(98 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol})$ in $51 \%$ yield ( $0.51 \mathrm{mmol}, 102 \mathrm{mg}$ ) as a colorless oil. EtOAc containing methanol ( $1-9 \%$ ) and isopropylamine ( $1 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.18$ in $\mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{MeOH} / i-\mathrm{PrNH}_{2} 90: 9: 1 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=4.13(\mathrm{q}, J=7.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.24-3.12(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.02-2.91(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.77-2.66(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $2.43-2.28(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.95(\mathrm{brs}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.75-1.57(\mathrm{comp}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 1.57-1.45(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.44-1.32(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.25(\mathrm{t}, J=$ 7.1 Hz, 3H).
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=172.6,60.2,54.1,46.7,42.5,33.6,29.3,27.6,25.3,24.0,14.2$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 200.1645$, Found: 200.1638 .

## 2-((2R*, $\left.4 R^{*}\right)$-4-Benzylpiperidin-2-yl)acetonitrile


$( \pm)-\mathbf{2 a}$

Following general procedure A, compound ( $\pm$ )-2a was obtained from 4-benzylpiperidine ( $351 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and acetonitrile ( $52 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $43 \%$ yield $(0.43 \mathrm{mmol}, 92 \mathrm{mg})$ as a colorless oil and in $>20: 1$ diastereomeric ratio. EtOAc containing methanol ( $1-9 \%$ ) and isopropylamine ( $1 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.22$ in $\mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{MeOH} / i-\mathrm{PrNH}_{2} 90: 10: 1 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}$-NMR ( $400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta=7.37-7.27(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.27-7.19(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.19-7.12(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.37(\operatorname{app} \mathrm{dtd}, J$ $=7.8,6.1,4.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.97(\mathrm{ddd}, J=12.6,8.1,3.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.84(\mathrm{ddd}, J=12.6,7.0,3.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.71-2.63$ (comp, $2 \mathrm{H}), 2.56(\mathrm{dd}, J=16.7,8.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.43$ (dd, $J=16.7,5.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.08-1.97$ (comp, 2H), 1.77-1.62 (m, 1H), 1.65$1.50(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.43-1.31(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=140.1,128.9,128.3,126.0,118.2,48.6,40.5,40.2,35.4,33.0,30.4,23.1$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 215.1543$, Found: 215.1524.

## 2-((2R*,4R*)-4-Benzylpiperidin-2-yl)-2-methylpropanenitrile


$( \pm)-2 b$

Following general procedure B , compound ( $\pm$ ) $\mathbf{- 2 b}$ was obtained from 4-benzylpiperidine ( $351 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and isobutyronitrile ( $69 \mathrm{mg}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $45 \%$ yield ( $0.45 \mathrm{mmol}, 109 \mathrm{mg}$ ) and 10:1 diastereomeric ratio. EtOAc containing methanol ( $1-9 \%$ ) and isopropylamine ( $1 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography. The major diastereomer was obtained as a colorless oil.

## Characterization data of the major diastereomer:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.28$ in Hexanes/EtOAc 50:50 v/v/.
${ }^{\mathbf{1}} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=7.33-7.26(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.23-7.17(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.16-7.12(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.04-2.90$ $(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.84-2.70(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.32-2.22(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.81-1.39(\mathrm{comp}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 1.36(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.28(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13}$ C-NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta=140.9,129.0,128.5,126.1,124.4,57.7,42.0,37.7,37.3,33.7,30.6,29.5,24.1$, 23.0.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{23} \mathrm{~N}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: \mathbf{2 4 3 . 1 8 5 6}$, Found: 243.1848 .

## 1-(Piperidin-2-yl)cyclohexane-1-carbonitrile


$( \pm)-2 c$

Following general procedure B, compound ( $\pm$ )-2c was obtained from piperidine ( $197 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and cyclohexanecarbonitrile ( $109 \mathrm{mg}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $58 \%$ yield ( $0.58 \mathrm{mmol}, 111 \mathrm{mg}$ ) as a colorless oil. Dichloromethane followed by hexanes containing EtOAc (40-90\%) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.33$ in Hexanes/EtOAc 30:70 v/v/.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=3.17-3.05(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.57(\mathrm{app} \mathrm{td}, J=12.1,2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.40(\mathrm{dd}, J=10.8,2.5 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 2.09(\mathrm{ddd}, J=13.3,3.7,2.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.99-1.91(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.90-1.84(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.83-1.68(\mathrm{comp}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 1.66-1.51$ (comp, 3H), 1.47-1.40 (m, 1H), 1.40-1.18 (comp, 5H), 1.18-1.03 (m, 1H).
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=122.8,63.3,47.5,44.2,32.6,31.9,27.8,26.6,25.5,24.8,23.1,23.1$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{~N}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 193.1699$, Found: 193.1682.

## 1-(Pyrrolidin-2-yl)cyclohexane-1-carbonitrile


( $\pm$ )-2d

Following general procedure A, compound ( $\pm$ )-2d was obtained from pyrrolidine ( $164 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and cyclohexanecarbonitrile ( $109 \mathrm{mg}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $54 \%$ yield ( $0.54 \mathrm{mmol}, 96 \mathrm{mg}$ ) as a colorless oil. Dichloromethane followed by hexanes containing EtOAc ( $60-100 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.42$ in $\mathrm{EtOAc} / \mathrm{MeOH} / i-\operatorname{PrNH}_{2} 90: 9: 1 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=3.09-2.83(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.19-2.08(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.98-1.79(\mathrm{comp}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 1.77-1.49$ (comp, 7H), 1.30-1.21 (comp, 2H), 1.15 (app tdd, $J=12.4,8.7,3.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13}$ C-NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta=123.0,65.8,47.1,45.2,33.7,33.1,28.0,26.1,25.5,23.0$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{19} \mathrm{~N}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}$: 179.1543, Found: 179.1530.

## 4-Methyl-1,6,7,8,9,9a-hexahydro-2H-quinolizin-2-one


$( \pm)-\mathbf{3 a}$

Following general procedure C, compound ( $\pm$ )-3a was obtained from piperidine ( $197 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and acetylacetone $(103 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol})$ as a clear oil in $55 \%$ yield $(0.55 \mathrm{mmol}, 91 \mathrm{mg})$. EtOAc containing methanol $(1-9 \%)$ was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.14$ in EtOAc.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=4.94(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.78-3.70(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.36-3.26(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.77(\mathrm{app} \mathrm{td}, J=12.8,2.9 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 2.47(\mathrm{dd}, J=16.4,5.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.25(\mathrm{dd}, J=16.4,10.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.94(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.85-1.77(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.75-1.68(\mathrm{~m}$, 1H), 1.68-1.53 (comp, 2H), 1.53-1.34 (comp, 2H).
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-$ NMR $\left(125 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=190.7,162.5,101.1,58.0,47.6,42.4,30.9,25.2,23.2,20.7$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{NO}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 166.1226$, Found: 166.1235.

## 4-Phenyl-1,6,7,8,9,9a-hexahydro-2H-quinolizin-2-one


( $\pm$ )-3b

Following general procedure C , compound ( $\pm$ )- $\mathbf{3 b}$ was obtained from piperidine ( $197 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and 1-phenyl-1,3butanedione ( $162 \mathrm{mg}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) as a yellow solid in $56 \%$ yield ( $0.56 \mathrm{mmol}, 127 \mathrm{mg}$ ). Hexanes containing EtOAc (15$50 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.31$ in hexane/EtOAc 75:25 v/v.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=7.38-7.29(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 7.28-7.19(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 5.01(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.54-3.47(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.43$
(ddd, $J=14.2,11.1,6.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.60-2.51(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.39(\mathrm{dd}, J=16.3,11.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.86-1.75(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.75-$ 1.67 (comp, 2H), 1.56-1.47 (m, 1H), 1.47-1.33 (comp, 2H).
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}$-NMR ( $125 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta=191.3,165.8,136.6,128.8,128.4,126.8,103.1,58.4,50.2,42.5,31.2,25.8,23.7$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{15} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{NO}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 228.1383$, Found: 228.1374.

## 4-(Furan-2-yl)-1,6,7,8,9,9a-hexahydro-2H-quinolizin-2-one


( $\pm$ )-3c

Following general procedure C , compound ( $\pm$ )-3c was obtained from piperidine ( $197 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and 1-(furan-2-yl)butane-1,3-dione ( $152 \mathrm{mg}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) as a light brown solid in $39 \%$ yield ( $0.39 \mathrm{mmol}, 85 \mathrm{mg}$ ). Hexanes containing EtOAc (50-90\%) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.34$ in hexane/EtOAc $25: 75 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-$ NMR $\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=7.51-7.47(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.56(\mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=3.3,1.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.44(\mathrm{dd}, \mathrm{J}=3.4,1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $5.29(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.87-3.79(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.50-3.40(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.78(\mathrm{app} \mathrm{td}, J=12.7,2.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.54(\mathrm{dd}, J=16.4,5.6 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 2.40(\mathrm{dd}, J=16.3,11.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.90-1.80(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.79-1.64(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.59(\operatorname{app} \mathrm{ddt}, J=16.7,12.9,6.6 \mathrm{~Hz}$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 1.53-1.41(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}$-NMR ( $125 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta=192.1,154.3,148.7,143.5,112.2,111.3,103.1,58.8,50.4,42.5,31.3,25.8,23.6$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 218.1176$, Found: 218.1168.

## 2-Benzyl-6-phenyl-1,2,3,4,9,9a-hexahydro-8H-pyrido[1,2-a]pyrazin-8-one


( $\pm$ - $\mathbf{- 3 d}$

Following general procedure C , compound ( $\pm$ )-3d was obtained from 1-benzylpiperazine ( $348 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and acetylacetone ( $103 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) as a brown oil in $50 \%$ yield $(0.50 \mathrm{mmol}, 128 \mathrm{mg})$. EtOAc containing methanol (5$20 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.37$ in EtOAc/methanol 90:10 v/v.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=7.37-7.25(\mathrm{comp}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 5.03(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.59(\mathrm{app} \mathrm{dt}, J=12.5,2.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.57-3.46$ $(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.03(\mathrm{app} \mathrm{td}, J=12.2,3.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.92-2.85(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.37-2.26(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.19(\mathrm{app} \mathrm{td}, J=11.9$, $3.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.14-2.03(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.97(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(125 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=191.2,163.2,137.3,129.0,128.4,127.4,102.7,62.5,58.4,56.7,52.3,46.4,40.3$, 20.8.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{21} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 257.1648$, Found: 257.1659.

$( \pm)-3 e$

Following general procedure C , compound $( \pm)-\mathbf{3 e}$ was obtained from 4-benzylpiperidine ( $351 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and acetylacetone ( $103 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) as a yellow oil in $56 \%$ yield $(0.56 \mathrm{mmol}, 144 \mathrm{mg})$ and in $>20: 1$ diastereomeric ratio. EtOAc containing methanol (1-10\%) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.26$ in EtOAc.
${ }^{\mathbf{1}} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=7.34-7.25(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.24-7.17(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.17-7.08(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 5.02(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.64$ (app tdd, $J=12.1,5.3,3.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.57(\mathrm{ddd}, J=13.2,4.9,2.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.13(\operatorname{app} \mathrm{td}, J=13.2,3.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.75(\mathrm{~d}$, $J=8.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.37(\mathrm{dd}, J=16.4,5.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.27(\mathrm{dd}, J=16.4,12.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.23-2.16(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.99(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H})$, 1.83-1.69 (comp, 2H), 1.66-1.55 (comp, 2H).
${ }^{13}$ C-NMR (125 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta=191.4,163.3,140.1,128.8,128.5,126.2,102.2,52.9,43.1,42.2,36.8,34.9,32.2$, 28.4, 21.1.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{NO}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 256.1696$, Found: 256.1680.

## 1,2,3,4,4a,5,7,8,9,10-Decahydro-6H-pyrido[1,2-a]quinolin-6-one


( $\pm$ )-3f

Following general procedure C , compound ( $\pm$ )-3f was obtained from piperidine ( $197 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and 2-acetylcyclohexan-1-one ( $130 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) as a yellow solid in $60 \%$ yield ( $0.60 \mathrm{mmol}, 122 \mathrm{mg}$ ). Hexanes containing EtOAc (66-80\%) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.34$ in hexane/EtOAc $25: 75 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=3.83-3.75(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.15(\mathrm{app} \operatorname{tdd}, J=11.6,5.1,3.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.57(\mathrm{app} \mathrm{td}, J=12.7$, $2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.44(\mathrm{dd}, J=16.3,5.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.38-2.11(\mathrm{comp}, 5 \mathrm{H}), 1.82-1.65(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.65-1.56(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, 1.56-1.43 (comp, 3H), 1.43-1.30 (comp, 2H).
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}$-NMR (125 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta=191.2,160.6,109.3,58.1,47.0,43.0,31.5,27.6,25.7,23.6,22.6,21.9,21.6$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{NO}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 206.1539$, Found: 206.1548 .

## ( $4 S^{*}, 9 \mathrm{a} R^{*}$ )-4-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)octahydro-2H-quinolizin-2-one


$( \pm)-4 \mathbf{a}$

Following general procedure D , compound ( $\pm$ ) $-\mathbf{4 a}$ was obtained from piperidine ( $197 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and 3,4dimethoxybenzylideneacetone ( $206 \mathrm{mg}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $63 \%$ yield $(0.63 \mathrm{mmol}, 180 \mathrm{mg})$ and $5: 1$ diastereomeric ratio (cis : trans). Hexanes containing EtOAc (75-80\%) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography. The major diastereomer was isolated as a yellow solid.

Note - After addition of saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution, the reaction mixture was stirred for 10 h .

## Characterization data of the major diastereomer:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.16$ in hexane/EtOAc $25: 75 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathrm{NMR}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=6.80(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.70-6.64(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.23(\mathrm{dd}, J=6.4,4.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.86$ $(\mathrm{s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.85(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.94-2.83(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.65-2.53(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.41-2.33(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.24-2.15(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.72-1.64$ $(\mathrm{m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.64-1.55(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.54-1.47(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.46-1.35(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.27-1.13(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-$ NMR $\left(125 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=209.7,148.7,148.4,131.5,120.9,111.7,110.6,63.9,55.9,55.8,54.3,51.3,47.6$, 46.8, 31.9, 24.0, 23.4.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{NO}_{3}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 290.1751$, Found: 290.1742.

## (4R*, 9a $R^{*}$ )-4-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)octahydro-2H-quinolizin-2-one


( $\pm$ )-4a'

From the reaction shown above, the minor diastereomer was isolated as a yellow solid.

## Characterization data of the minor diastereomer:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.40$ in hexane/EtOAc 25:75 v/v
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-$ NMR $\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=6.92-6.88(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.86-6.77(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.89(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.86(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.19(\mathrm{dd}, J=$ $12.9,2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.81-2.74(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.71-2.62(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.53-2.45(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.43-2.36(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.35-2.25(\mathrm{comp}$, $2 \mathrm{H}), 1.76-1.60(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.58-1.39(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.32-1.20(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}$-NMR ( $125 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta=207.9,149.3,148.3,135.2,119.5,111.0,109.8,70.0,62.4,56.0,55.9,52.8,50.9$, 48.7, 34.3, 25.8, 24.2.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{17} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{NO}_{3}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 290.1751$, Found: 290.1721.

## ( $5 R^{*}, 8 \mathrm{a} R^{*}$ )-5-(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)hexahydroindolizin-7(1H)-one


( $\pm$ )-4b

Following general procedure D , compound $( \pm) \mathbf{- 4 b}$ was obtained from pyrrolidine ( $164 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and 3,4dimethoxybenzylideneacetone ( $206 \mathrm{mg}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) as a yellow oil in $34 \%$ yield ( $0.34 \mathrm{mmol}, 93 \mathrm{mg}$ ) and $>20: 1$ diastereomeric ratio. Hexanes containing EtOAc (33-66\%) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

Note - After addition of saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution, the reaction mixture was stirred for 10 h .

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.23$ in hexane/EtOAc 50:50 v/v
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=6.95(\mathrm{~d}, J=2.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.89(\mathrm{dd}, J=8.2,2.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.84(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $3.92(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.89(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.27(\mathrm{dd}, J=11.5,3.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.89-2.81(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.67-2.57(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.52-2.37(\mathrm{comp}$, $3 \mathrm{H}), 2.11-1.91(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.91-1.82(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.82-1.72(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.72-1.59(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13}$ C-NMR (125 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta=208.8,149.2,148.5,134.9,119.3,111.0,109.8,66.6,64.0,56.0,55.9,51.5,49.9$, 47.3, 31.1, 21.5.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{16} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{NO}_{3}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 276.1594$, Found: 276.1602.

## ( $4 S^{*}, 9 \mathrm{a} R^{*}$ )-4-(Furan-2-yl)octahydro-2H-quinolizin-2-one



Following general procedure D , compound $( \pm)-4 \mathrm{c}$ was obtained from piperidine ( $197 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and ( $E$ )-4-(furan-2-yl)but-3-en-2-one ( $136 \mathrm{mg}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $51 \%$ yield ( $0.51 \mathrm{mmol}, 112 \mathrm{mg}$ ) and $4: 1$ diastereomeric ratio (cis : trans). Hexanes containing EtOAc (33-66\%) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography. The major diastereomer was isolated as a yellow oil.

Note - After addition of saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution, the reaction mixture was stirred for 10 h .

## Characterization data of the major diastereomer:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.27$ in hexane/EtOAc 50:50 v/v
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=7.34(\mathrm{~d}, J=1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.29(\mathrm{dd}, J=3.2,1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.08(\mathrm{~d}, J=3.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $4.25(\mathrm{dd}, J=7.0,1.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.95(\mathrm{dd}, J=14.6,6.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.92-2.85(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.55-2.42(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.26(\mathrm{dd}, J$ $=15.2,10.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.18(\operatorname{app} \mathrm{td}, J=11.7,3.0 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.70-1.53(\mathrm{comp}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 1.34-1.22(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.15-1.02(\mathrm{~m}$, $1 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(125 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=208.0,152.6,142.1,109.8,109.0,59.1,54.5,52.3,47.8,45.0,34.4,25.9,23.2$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 220.1332$, Found: 220.1338.

## ( $4 R^{*}, 9 \mathrm{a} R^{*}$ )-4-(Furan-2-yl)octahydro-2H-quinolizin-2-one



From the reaction shown above, the minor diastereomer was isolated as a yellow oil.

## Characterization data of the minor diastereomer:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.18$ in hexane/EtOAc 75:25 v/v
${ }^{1} H-N M R\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=7.40(\mathrm{~d}, J=1.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.31(\mathrm{dd}, J=3.3,1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 6.21(\mathrm{~d}, J=3.2 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $3.42(\mathrm{dd}, J=12.5,3.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.00(\operatorname{app} \mathrm{t}, J=13.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.71-2.64(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.54-2.45(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.43(\operatorname{app~dt}, J$ $=14.4,2.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.33(\operatorname{app~dt}, J=14.4,2.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.25(\operatorname{apptd}, J=11.2,2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.83(\operatorname{app~td}, J=11.9,3.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.77-1.65 (comp, 2H), 1.65-1.45 (comp, 3H), 1.33-1.20 (m, 1H).
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(125 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=207.1,153.3,142.3,110.0,108.1,62.6,61.8,52.6,48.5,46.9,34.0,25.6,23.9$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{NO}_{2}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 220.1332$, Found: 220.1327.

## (4R*,9aR*)-4-Methyloctahydro-2H-quinolizin-2-one


( $\pm$ )-myrtine (4d)

Following general procedure $\mathrm{D},( \pm)$-myrtine ( $\mathbf{4 d}$ ) was obtained from piperidine ( $197 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and ( $E$ )-pent-3-en2 -one ( $98 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in $38 \%$ yield ( $0.38 \mathrm{mmol}, 64 \mathrm{mg}$ ) and 10:1 diastereomeric ratio (cis : trans). Dichloromethane containing methanol ( $2-10 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

Note - After addition of saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution, the reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h .

## Characterization data of the major diastereomer:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.45$ in $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} / \mathrm{MeOH} 90: 10 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=3.34-3.22(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.78(\mathrm{dd}, J=13.4,5.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.74-2.68(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.64-2.54$ $(\mathrm{m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.41(\mathrm{app} \mathrm{td}, J=11.6,2.7 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.25-2.12(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.15-2.09(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.69-1.60(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.60-$ $1.49(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.30-1.09(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 0.90(\mathrm{~d}, J=6.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13}$ C-NMR (125 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta=209.4,57.0,53.3,51.3,48.5,47.9,34.1,25.7,23.3,10.9$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{NO}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 168.1383$, Found: 168.1388.

## $\left(1 S^{*}, 4 S^{*}, 9 \mathrm{a} R^{*}\right)$-Octahydro-2H-1,4-ethanoquinolizin-2-one


( $\pm$-4e

Following general procedure D , compound $( \pm)-4 \mathbf{e}$ was obtained from piperidine ( $197 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and cyclohex-2-en-1-one ( $97 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) as a clear oil in $34 \%$ yield ( $0.34 \mathrm{mmol}, 62 \mathrm{mg}$ ) and $7: 1$ diastereomeric ratio. EtOAc containing methanol ( $2-5 \%$ ) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

Note - After addition of saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution, the reaction mixture was stirred for 72 h .

## Characterization data for ( $\pm$ )-4e:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.31$ in EtOAc.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=3.00-2.94(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.72(\mathrm{app} \mathrm{dt}, J=10.7,3.9 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.58-2.50(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.47$ (ddd, $J=17.1,4.6,2.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.40-2.30(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.20-2.12(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.11-2.01(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.97-1.88(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $1.78-1.61$ (comp, 3H), 1.59-1.52 (comp, 2H), 1.52-1.44 (m, 1H), 1.34-1.20 (comp, 2H).
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(125 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=215.1,64.3,55.4,52.5,49.3,47.6,31.5,26.5,24.8,23.0,20.2$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{11} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{NO}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 180.1383$, Found: 180.1393.

## $\left(4 \mathrm{a} R^{*}, 6 \mathrm{a} S^{*}, 10 \mathrm{a} R^{*}\right)$-Dodecahydro-6H-pyrido[1,2-a]quinolin-6-one


$( \pm)-4 f$

Following general procedure D , compound ( $\pm$ )-4f and compound ( $\pm$ ) $\mathbf{- 4 f}$ ' were obtained from piperidine ( $197 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 2$ mmol ) and 1-acetyl-1-cyclohexene ( $129 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) as a clear oil in $49 \%$ combined yield ( $0.49 \mathrm{mmol}, 101 \mathrm{mg}$ ) in a 7:1 diastereomeric ratio as an inseparable mixture. Hexanes containing EtOAc (75-90\%) was used as the eluent for silica gel chromatography.

Note - After addition of saturated $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ aqueous solution, the reaction mixture was stirred for 72 h .

## Characterization data for ( $\pm$ )-4f:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.19$ in hexane/EtOAc $25: 75 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$.
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}$ (major isomer is assigned, $500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta=3.06(\mathrm{ddd}, J=12.1,5.5,3.3 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.90-2.84(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $2.82-2.75(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.70(\operatorname{app} \mathrm{tt}, J=10.0,3.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.59(\operatorname{apptd}, J=11.5,2.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.31-2.14(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H})$, 1.89-1.75 (comp, 2H), 1.75-1.53 (comp, 4H), 1.50-1.34 (comp, 2H), 1.32-1.00 (comp, 5H).
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}$-NMR (major isomer is assigned, $125 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta=210.3,65.2,54.2,50.7,50.5,48.0,34.5,26.1,25.4,24.7$, 23.3, 22.0, 21.2.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{NO}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 208.1696$, Found: 208.1686.

## (4R*, $6 R^{*}$ )-4-Benzyl-1-azabicyclo[4.2.0]octan-8-one


$( \pm)-5$

Following a modified literature procedure, ${ }^{12}$ to a solution of $t-\mathrm{BuMgCl}(1.35 \mathrm{M}$ in THF, $295 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 0.4 \mathrm{mmol}, 2$ equiv) in anhydrous THF ( 0.5 mL ) cooled to $-20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ was slowly added a solution of $( \pm) \mathbf{- 1 f}(52 \mathrm{mg}, 0.2 \mathrm{mmol})$ in anhydrous THF ( 0.5 mL ) over 2 h via cannula under the protection of nitrogen. The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 10 min and quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ solution ( 2 mL ). Subsequently, the reaction vessel was taken out of the low temperature bath and warmed up to room temperature. The resulting mixture was diluted with EtOAc ( 10 mL ) and washed with saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ solution $(10 \mathrm{~mL})$. The aqueous layer was then extracted with EtOAc ( $2 \times 10 \mathrm{~mL}$ ) and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Solvent was then removed under reduced pressure and the residue purified by silica gel chromatography using hexanes containing EtOAc ( $30-60 \%$ ) as the eluent to provide compound $( \pm)-5(0.144 \mathrm{mmol}, 31 \mathrm{mg}, 72 \%)$ as a crystalline solid.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.35$ in hexane/EtOAc $50: 50 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-$ NMR $\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=7.41-7.30(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 7.27-7.17(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 3.75$ (ddd, $\left.J=13.7,6.3,1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}\right)$, 3.65 (app dtd, $J=10.9,4.5,1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.15(\mathrm{ddd}, J=14.5,4.5,1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.07-2.98(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.88-2.73$ (comp, $2 \mathrm{H}), 2.58(\mathrm{dd}, J=14.5,1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.35-2.27(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.95(\operatorname{app~dt}, J=13.2,4.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.71-1.61(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.58-$ $1.51(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.47(\mathrm{app} \mathrm{ddd}, J=13.2,10.9,4.1 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=166.6,140.3,128.7,128.6,126.3,45.1,43.3,36.2,34.8,33.9,33.3,27.6$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{14} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{NO}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 216.1383$, Found: 216.1367.

## 1-Azabicyclo[5.2.0]nonan-9-one


$( \pm)-6$

Following a modified literature procedure, ${ }^{12}$ to a solution of $t-\mathrm{BuMgCl}(1.35 \mathrm{M}$ in $\mathrm{THF}, 296 \mu \mathrm{~L}, 0.4 \mathrm{mmol}, 2$ equiv) in anhydrous THF $(0.5 \mathrm{~mL})$ cooled to $-20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ was slowly added a solution of $( \pm)-11(37 \mathrm{mg}, 0.2 \mathrm{mmol})$ in anhydrous THF ( 0.5 mL ) over 2 h via cannula under the protection of nitrogen. The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 10 min and quenched by the addition of saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ solution ( 2 mL ). Subsequently the reaction vessel was taken out of the low temperature bath and warmed up to room temperature. The resulting mixture was diluted with EtOAc ( 10 mL ) and washed with saturated aqueous $\mathrm{NH}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}$ solution $(10 \mathrm{~mL})$. The aqueous layer was then extracted with EtOAc ( $2 \times 10 \mathrm{~mL}$ ) and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$. Solvent was then removed under reduced pressure and the residue purified by silica gel chromatography using hexanes containing EtOAc (30-60\%) to provide compound ( $\pm$ )-6 ( $0.146 \mathrm{mmol}, 20 \mathrm{mg}, 73 \%$ ) as a clear oil.

## Characterization data:

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{f}}=0.18$ in hexane/EtOAc 50:50 v/v
${ }^{1} \mathbf{H}-\mathbf{N M R}\left(400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right): \delta=3.70-3.64(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.42-3.23(\mathrm{comp}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.97(\mathrm{ddd}, J=14.4,4.8,1.6 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, $2.46(\mathrm{~d}, J=14.5 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.09-1.99(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.01-1.81(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.59-1.47(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.47-1.28(\mathrm{comp}, 3 \mathrm{H})$.
${ }^{13} \mathbf{C}$-NMR (100 MHz, $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ): $\delta=166.9,52.7,43.0,41.6,35.8,29.3,28.6,26.9$.

HRMS (ESI-TOF): Calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{14} \mathrm{NO}[\mathrm{M}+\mathrm{H}]^{+}: 140.1070$, Found: 140.1072.

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${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{NMR}$ of $( \pm)-\mathbf{4 f}, 500 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$
(7:1 inseparable mixture)



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$-N M R$ of $( \pm)-4 f, 125 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$
(7:1 inseparable mixture)


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${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{NMR}$ of $( \pm)-5,400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$

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${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}-$ NMR of $( \pm)-5,100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$




${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$-NMR of $( \pm)$ - $6,400 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$

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${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$-NMR of $( \pm)-6,100 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$




