# A Zn(II) Catalyzed Synthesis of Piperidines from Propargyl Amines and Cyclopropanes

### Supporting Information

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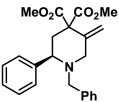
### *Experimental*

#### General

Infrared spectra were obtained as thin films on NaCl plates using a Bruker Vector 33 FT-IR instrument. NMR experiments were performed on Varian Mercury 400, Varian Inova 600 and Inova 400 instruments and samples were obtained in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (referenced to 7.26 ppm for <sup>1</sup>H and 77.0 ppm for  ${}^{13}$ C).  ${}^{19}$ F spectra were externally referenced to neat trifluorotoluene (referenced to -63.9 ppm). Coupling constants (J) are in Hz. The multiplicities of the signals are described using the following abbreviations: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, sept = septuplet, m = multiplet, br = broad. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained on a Finnigan MAT 8200 spectrometer at 70 eV. Optical rotations were recorded in cells of 10 cm path length using a Perkin-Elmer 241 digital polarimeter.

All reagents and solvents were used as purchased from Aldrich, Strem, Caledon or VWR. Reaction progress was followed by thin layer chromatography (TLC) (EM Science, silica gel 60  $F_{254}$ ) visualizing with UV light, and the plates developed using acidic anisaldehyde. Flash chromatography was performed using silica gel purchased from Silicycle Chemical Division Inc. (230-400 mesh).

General Experimental Procedure A: 1,1-cyclopropane diester (1 equivalent), N-benzylprop-2yn-1-amine (1.5 equivalent) and zinc(II) bistriflamide (0.1 equivalent) were dissolved in 3 ml benzene. A reflux condenser was attached and the vessel purged with Argon and the reaction was brought to reflux. Upon completion by TLC analysis a small amount of Li<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> was added to the reaction mixture which was then preabsorbed on silica and purified by flash chromatography (EtOAc/Hexanes) to yield the desired piperidines.



Reagents employed: (R)-dimethyl 2-phenylcyclopropane-1,1-dicarboxylate (106 mg, 0.453 mmol, 98% ee), N-benzylprop-2-yn-1-amine (99 mg, 0.682 mmol) and zinc(II) bistriflamide (28 mg, 0.0447 mmol). Piperidine 4a (165 mg, 0.435 mmol, 96%, 96% ee) was obtained as a pale vellow oil:  $R_f =$ 0.44, 20% EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.51-7.47$ **Piperidine 4a** (m, 2H), 7.39-7.33 (m, 2H), 7.32-7.20 (m, 6H), 5.06 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (s, 1H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.81 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.43 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.30 (X of ABX system, J = 12.1, 2.3 1H), 2.86 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.54 (A of ABX system, J = 13.7, 2.3, 1H), 2.44 (B of ABX system, J = 13.7, 12.1 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $(100 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta = 170.2, 170.1, 142.7, 140.5, 138.7, 128.7, 128.5, 128.2, 127.5, 126.8,$ 113.4, 65.0, 61.3, 58.9, 57.5, 52.9, 52.6, 41.2 (note: 1  $sp^2$  carbon is missing presumably due to overlap); IR (thin film): 3086, 3063, 3029, 3004, 2952, 2838, 2795, 1735, 1654, 1604, 1495, 1453, 1436, 1373, 1361, 1321, 1307, 1262, 1244, 1213, 1139, 1116, 1086, 1061, 1030, 1019, 983, 914770, 741, 701; HRMS calc'd for  $C_{23}H_{25}NO_4 = 379.1784$ , found = 379.1774;  $[\alpha]_D =$ -70.4 (*c* = 0.746, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>).

Piperidine 4a was prepared using general experimental procedure A.

The enantiomeric excess was determined to be 96% by chiral HPLC, Chiralcel OD-H, 250 x 4.6 mm<sup>2</sup>, Diacel Chemical Industries; 96:4 Hexanes / *i*PrOH at 1.5 mL/min; 220 nm; The retention time for the enantiomers were  $r_1(+) = 3.89 \text{ min}$ ,  $r_1(-) = 5.03 \text{ min}$ .

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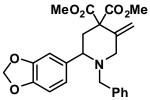
Piperidine 4b was prepared using general experimental procedure A.

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Piperidine 4c was prepared using general experimental procedure A.

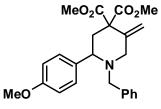
Reagents employed: dimethyl 2-(4-methoxyphenyl)cvclopropane-1,1dicarboxylate (116 mg, 0.439 mmol), N-benzylprop-2-yn-1-amine (96

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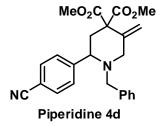


Reagents

yl)cyclopropane-1,1-dicarboxylate (100 mg, 0.359 mmol), Nbenzylprop-2-yn-1-amine (78 mg, 0.537 mmol), and zinc(II) bistriflamide (22 mg, 0.0352 mmol). Piperidine 4b (144 mg, 0.340 mmol, 95%) was obtained as a colorless foam:  $R_f = 0.33$ , 20% EtOAc **Piperidine 4b** in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.31-7.19$  (m, 5H), 7.03 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.94 (AB, 2H), 5.03 (d, J = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 4.75 (s, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.82 (d partially obscured by s at 3.83 ppm, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.38 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.19 (X of ABX system, J = 12.2, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.80 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (A of ABX system, J = 13.6, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (B of ABX system, 13.6, 12.2 Hz, 1H);  ${}^{13}$ C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta = 170.2$ , 170.1, 148.0, 146.9, 140.5, 138.7, 136.7, 128.5, 128.2, 126.8, 120.9, 113.4, 108.2, 107.5, 101.0, 64.8, 61.3, 58.8, 57.6, 52.9, 52.7, 41.3; IR (thin film): 3086, 3063, 3027, 3002, 2952, 2894, 2840, 2794, 1734, 1654, 1609, 1503, 1486, 1439, 1385, 1324, 1246, 1208, 1145, 1113, 1078, 1064, 1039, 1020, 983, 935, 915, 870, 812, 795, 740, 780, 700; HRMS calc'd for  $C_{24}H_{25}NO_6 =$ 423.1682, found = 423.1687.

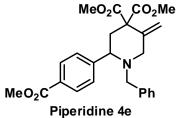


mg, 0.661 mmol), and zinc(II) bistriflamide (27 mg, 0.0432 mmol). Piperidine 4c (171 mg, 0.418 mmol, 95%) was obtained as a pale yellow sticky solid:  $R_f = 0.33$ , 20% EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 **Piperidine 4c** MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.40-7.36$  and 6.90-6.86 (m, AA'BB', 4H), 7.30-7.18 (m, 5H) 7.03 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H) 4.76 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.78 (d obscured by s at 3.79 and 3.76 ppm, J = 12.8, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.39 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.23 (X of ABX system, J = 11.9, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 2.50 (A of ABX system, J = 13.6, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (B of ABX system, J = 13.6, 11.9 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $(100 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3) \delta = 170.3, 170.2, 158.9, 140.6, 138.8, 134.7, 128.53, 128.47, 128.1, 126.8, 134.7, 128.53, 128.47, 128.1, 126.8, 134.7, 128.53, 128.47, 128.1, 126.8, 134.7, 128.53, 128.47, 128.53, 128.53, 128.47, 128.53$ 114.0, 113.3, 64.3, 61.3, 58.7, 57.6, 55.2, 52.9, 52.6, 41.2; IR (thin film): 3088, 3062, 3029, 3000, 2953, 2910, 2837, 2802, 1735, 1654, 1612, 1586, 1513, 1495, 1454, 1437, 1373, 1322, 1302, 1245, 1179, 1139, 1110, 1078, 1064, 1033, 915, 835, 773, 742, 699; HRMS calc'd for  $C_{24}H_{27}NO_5 = 409.1889$ , found = 409.1880.



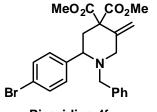
Piperidine 4d was prepared using general experimental procedure A with modifications to the equivalency of reagents. Reagents employed: dimethyl 2-(4-cyanophenyl)cyclopropane-1,1-dicarboxylate (150 mg, 0.579 mmol), N-benzylprop-2-yn-1-amine (252 mg, 1.735 mmol), and

zinc(II) bistriflamide (109 mg, 0.174 mmol). Piperidine **4d** (187 mg, 0.462 mmol, 80%) was obtained as a yellow sticky solid:  $R_f = 0.19$ , 20% EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.67$ -7.59 (m, AA'BB', 4H), 7.32-7.21 (m, 5H), 5.07 (s, 1H), 4.80 (s, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.66 (d, J = 13.4 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (d, J = 13.4 Hz, 1H), 3.37 (X of ABX system, J = 13.1, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (A of ABX system, J = 13.3, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (B of ABX, J = 13.3, 13.1 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta = 170.0$ , 169.8, 148.5, 139.8, 137.9, 132.6, 128.34, 128.32, 127.1, 118.7, 113.9, 111.5, 64.7, 61.0, 59.1, 57.3, 53.1, 52.8, 41.0 (note: 1 carbon is missing presumably due to overlap); IR (thin film): 3087, 3062, 3030, 3003, 2953, 2841, 2803, 2228, 1735, 1656, 1608, 1495, 1453, 1436, 1376, 1360, 1322, 1270, 1245, 1213, 1138, 1115, 1077, 1065, 1020, 916, 843, 785, 741, 699; HRMS calc'd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> = 404.1736, found = 404.1720.



Piperidine **4e** was prepared using general experimental procedure A with modifications to the equivalency of reagents. Reagents employed: dimethyl 2-(4-(methoxycarbonyl)phenyl)cyclopropane-1,1-dicarboxylate (150 mg, 0.513 mmol), N-benzylprop-2-yn-1-amine (224 mg, 1.543 mmol), and zinc(II) bistriflamide (96 mg, 0.153 mmol). Piperidine **4e** (209 mg, 0.478 mmol, 93%) was obtained as a pale yellow sticky solid:  $R_f = 0.23$ , 20% EtOAc in

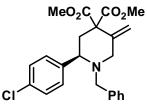
hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 8.05$ -8.01 and 7.59-7.55 (m, AA'BB', 4H), 7.31-7.20 (m, 5H), 5.06 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (s, 1H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.73 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.42 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.35 (X of ABX system, J = 11.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.51 (A of ABX system, J = 13.6, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (B of ABX system, J = 13.6, 11.8 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta = 170.1$ , 170.0, 166.8, 148.2, 140.2, 138.3, 130.1, 129.5, 128.5, 128.3, 127.6, 127.0, 113.7, 64.8, 61.2, 59.1, 57.4, 53.0, 52.7, 52.1, 41.0; IR (thin film): 3088, 3063, 3029, 3001, 2953, 2842, 2803, 1726, 1657, 1611, 1495, 1452, 1435, 1416, 1374, 1358, 1309, 1277, 1244, 1214, 1196, 1177, 1139, 1113, 1077, 1065, 1019, 970, 915, 859, 820, 776, 741, 700; HRMS calc'd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO<sub>6</sub> = 437.1838, found = 437.1826.



Piperidine **4f** was prepared using general experimental procedure A. Reagents employed: dimethyl 2-(4-bromophenyl)cyclopropane-1,1dicarboxylate (100 mg, 0.319 mmol), N-benzylprop-2-yn-1-amine (69 mg, 0.475 mmol), and zinc(II) bistriflamide (20 mg, 0.0320 mmol). Piperidine **4f** (139 mg, 0.303 mmol, 95%) was obtained as a pale yellow oil:  $R_f = 0.43$ , 20% EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz,

**Piperidine 4f** CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.49-7.46$  and 7.38-7.34 (m, AA'BB', 4H), 7.31-7.20 (m, 5H), 5.05 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.73 (d, J = 13.2, 1H), 3.40 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (X of ABX system, J = 12.1, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (A of ABX system, J = 13.6, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (B of ABX system, J = 13.6, 12.1 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta = 170.1$ , 170.0, 141.9, 140.2, 138.4, 131.9, 129.3, 128.4, 128.3, 127.0, 121.2, 113.6, 64.4, 61.2, 58.9, 57.4, 53.0, 52.7, 41.1; IR (thin film): 3086, 3062, 3028, 3001, 2951, 2795, 1730, 1655, 1590, 1484, 1450, 1434, 1406,

1372, 1322, 1268, 1242, 1212, 1180, 1136, 1115, 1063, 1009, 981, 912, 830, 782, 733, 698; HRMS calc'd for  $C_{23}H_{24}BrNO_4 = 457.0889$ , found = 457.0895.

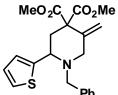


Reagents employed: (R)-dimethyl 2-(4-chlorophenyl)cyclopropane-1,1dicarboxylate (133 mg, 0.495 mmol, 98% ee), N-benzylprop-2-yn-1amine (108 mg, 0.744 mmol), and zinc(II) bistriflamide (31 mg, 0.0495 mmol). Piperidine 4g (194 mg, 0.469 mmol, 95%, 96% ee) was obtained as a pale yellow oil:  $R_f = 0.43$ , 20% EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-**Piperidine 4g** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.44-7.40$  (m, 2H), 7.34-7.19 (m, 7H), 5.05 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (s, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.73 (d, 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.27 (X of ABX system, J = 11.6, 2.4, 1H), 2.82 (d, J = 12.8, 1H), 2.81 (d, J = 12.8, 1H), 2.49 (A of ABX system, J =13.7, 2.4 Hz, 1H) 2.36 (B of ABX system, J = 13.7, 11.6 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 170.1, 169.9, 141.3, 140.2, 138.3, 133.1, 128.8, 128.4, 128.2, 126.9, 113.6, 64.3, 61.1, 58.8, 57.4, 53.0, 52.7, 41.1 (note: 1 sp<sup>2</sup> carbon is missing presumably due to overlap); IR (thin film): 3088, 3064, 3031, 3003, 2954, 2904, 2801, 1735, 1656, 1598, 1494, 1453, 1436, 1410, 1374, 1360, 1321, 1268, 1244, 1213, 1182, 1140, 1117, 1078, 1065, 1015, 983, 914, 834, 801, 784, 736, 703; HRMS calc'd for  $C_{23}H_{24}CINO_4 =$ 

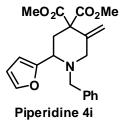
Piperidine 4g was prepared using general experimental procedure A.

The enantiomeric excess was determined to be 96% by chiral HPLC, Chiralcel OD-H, 250 x 4.6 mm<sup>2</sup>, Diacel Chemical Industries; 98:2 Hexanes / *i*PrOH at 1.5 mL/min; 220 nm; The retention time for the enantiomers were  $r_1(+) = 4.46 \text{ min}$ ,  $r_1(-) = 5.36 \text{ min}$ .

413.1394, found = 413.1390.  $[\alpha]_{D}$  = -42.8 (*c* = 0.594, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>).

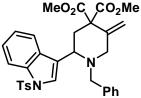


Piperidine 4h was prepared using general experimental procedure A. Reagents employed: dimethyl 2-(thiophen-2-yl)cyclopropane-1,1- (104 mg, 0.432 mmol), N-benzylprop-2-yn-1-amine (94 mg, 0.647 mmol), and zinc(II) bistriflamide (26 mg, 0.0416 mmol). Piperidine 4h (153 mg, 0.397 mmol, 92%) was obtained as yellow sticky solid:  $R_f = 0.42, 20\%$  EtOAc in Ph hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.32-7.20$  (m, 6H), 7.03 (dd, J = 3.6, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (dd, J = 5.2, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1H), **Piperidine 4h** 4.81 (s, 1H), 3.87, (dd, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.76 (X of ABX system, 11.8, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.95 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 2H), 2.67 (A of ABX system, J = 13.8, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 2.56 (B of ABX system, J = 13.8, 11.8 Hz, 1H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 57.0, 53.0, 52.7, 40.6 (note: 1  $sp^2$  carbon is missing presumably due to overlap); IR (thin film): 3087, 3065, 3029, 3004, 2953, 2841, 2796, 1735, 1654, 1605, 1495, 1453, 1436, 1373, 1321, 1265, 1245, 1181, 1114, 1077, 1064, 1030, 1017, 980, 915, 860, 834, 788, 739, 700; HRMS calc'd for  $C_{21}H_{23}NO_4S = 385.1348$ , found = 385.1342.

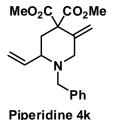


Piperidine 4i was prepared using general experimental procedure A. Reagents employed: dimethyl 2-(furan-2-yl)cyclopropane-1,1-dicarboxylate (100 mg, 0.446 mmol), N-benzylprop-2-yn-1-amine (194 mg, 1.336 mmol),

and zinc(II) bistriflamide (56 mg, 0.0894 mmol). Piperidine 4i (139 mg, 0.376 mmol, 84%) was obtained as a pale yellow sticky solid:  $R_f = 0.36$ , 20% EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ;  $\delta = 7.39$  (dd, J = 2.0, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.30-719 (m, 5H), 6.35-6.31 (m, 2H), 5.04 (d, J = 0.8) Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.66 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 3.65 (X of ABX system, J = 11.9, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 3.36 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.68 (A of ABX system, J = 13.8, 11.9 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (B of ABX system, J = 13.8, 3.3 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta = 170.1$ , 169.9, 154.3, 141.8, 139.6, 138.3, 128.8, 128.1, 126.9, 113.8, 110.1, 107.6, 60.9, 57.0, 56.2, 52.9, 52.7, 36.0 (note: 1 sp<sup>3</sup> carbon is missing presumably due to overlap); IR (thin film): 3288, 3147, 3116, 3087, 3063, 3029, 3004, 2953, 2844, 2817, 1734, 1603, 1586, 1496, 1453, 1436, 1349, 1311, 1270, 1206, 1150, 1119, 1074, 1028, 1012, 970, 941, 916, 885, 865, 814, 739, 700, 599; HRMS calc'd for  $C_{21}H_{23}NO_5 =$ 369.1576, found = 369.1567.



1,1-dicarboxylate (150 mg, 0.351 mmol), N-benzylprop-2-yn-1-amine (76 mg, 0.523 mmol), and zinc(II) bistriflamide (22 mg, 0.0352 mmol). Piperidine 4j (199 mg, 0.347 mmol, 99%) was obtained as a pale yellow solid:  $R_f = 0.22, 20\%$  EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$ Piperidine 4 j = 7.97 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.72-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.58 (s, 1H), 7.40-6.98 (m, 9H), 5.05 (s, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.67 (d, J = 13.4 Hz, 1H), 3.66 (X of ABX system, J = 12.1, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (d, J = 13.4, 1H), 2.89 (d, J = 13 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.86 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (A of ABX system, J = 13.8, 12.1 Hz, 1H), 2.55 (B of ABX system, J = 13.8, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (s, 3H);  $^{13}$ C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 170.3, 170.0, 144.9, 139.9, 138.5, 135.7, 135.0, 129.8, 129.3, 128.6, 128.2, 126.9, 126.7, 125.0, 124.0, 123.8, 123.2, 121.1, 114.0, 113.8, 61.3, 57.6, 57.3, 57.0 53.1, 52.7, 38.2, 21.5; IR (thin film): 3107, 3086, 3064, 3030, 3004, 2955, 2846, 2797, 1735, 1654, 1598, 1495, 1447, 1372, 1269, 1243, 1213, 1189, 1175, 1132, 1119, 1100, 1076, 1019, 986, 915, 813, 748, 705, 664; HRMS calc'd for  $C_{32}H_{32}N_2O_6S = 572.1981$ , found = 572.1993.



Piperidine 4k was prepared using general experimental procedure A. Reagents employed: dimethyl 2-vinylcyclopropane-1,1-dicarboxylate (117 mg, 0.635 mmol), N-benzylprop-2-yn-1-amine (138 mg, 0.950 mmol), and zinc(II) bistriflamide (40 mg, 0.0639 mmol). Piperidine 4k (175 mg, 0.531 mmol, 84%) was obtained as a pale yellow oil:  $R_f = 0.29$ , 20% EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.33-7.21 (m, 5H), 5.83 (ddd, J = 17.2, 10.0

Piperidine 4j was prepared using general experimental procedure A.

Reagents employed: dimethyl 2-(1-tosyl-1H-indol-3-yl)cyclopropane-

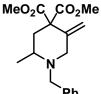
8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (d, J = 17.2 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (dd, 10.0, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 4.98 (s, 1H), 4.73 (s, 1H), 4.05 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.28 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.03 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (ddd, X of ABX system, J = 11.3, 8.0 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (A of ABX system, J = 13.8, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (B of ABX system, J = 13.8, 11.3 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta = 170.25$ , 170.16, 140.3, 140.0, 138.5, 128.8, 128.2, 126.9, 117.5, 113.4, 62.7, 60.7, 58.3, 56.5, 52.9, 52.6, 38.1; IR (thin film): 3086, 3064, 3029, 3001, 2978, 2953, 2910, 2841, 2794, 1736, 1654, 1495, 1453, 1437, 1373, 1359, 1323,

1262, 1242, 1204, 1162, 1129, 1069, 1029, 1022, 995, 918, 822, 784, 742, 700; HRMS calc'd for  $C_{19}H_{23}NO_4 = 329.1627$ , found = 329.1638.



Reagents employed: (E)-dimethyl 2-styrylcyclopropane-1,1-dicarboxylate (120 mg, 0.461 mmol), N-benzylprop-2-yn-1-amine (100 mg, 0.689 mmol), and zinc(II) bistriflamide (29 mg, 0.0463 mmol). Piperidine 41 (174 mg, 0.429 mmol, 93%) was obtained as a yellow gummy solid:  $R_f =$ 0.29, 20% EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.39-7.36$ (m, 2H), 7.34-7.22 (m, 8H), 6.63 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.21 (dd, J = 16.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (s, 1H), 4.78 (m, 1H), 4.11 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.35 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.10 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.03 (ddd, X of ABX system, J = 11.1, 8.0, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.52 (A of ABX system, J = 13.5, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (B of ABX system, J = 13.5, 11.1 Hz, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 170.3, 170.2, 140.0, 138.6, 136.6, 132.3, 131.4, 128.8, 128.5, 128.2, 127.6, 126.9, 126.3, 113.4, 62.2, 60.7, 58.8, 56.8, 52.9, 52.7, 38.4; IR (thin film): 3085, 3062, 3028, 3003, 2953, 2840, 2795, 1735, 1654, 1600, 1495, 1450, 1436, 1361, 1321, 1264, 1243, 1200, 1178, 1155, 1110, 1068, 1029, 1016, 971, 914, 784, 749, 697; HRMS calc'd for  $C_{25}H_{27}NO_4 = 405.1940$ , found = 405.1937.

Piperidine 41 was prepared using general experimental procedure A.

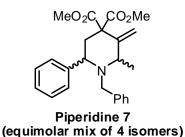


Piperidine 4m was prepared using general experimental procedure A with modifications to the equivalency of reagents. Reagents employed: dimethyl 2methylcyclopropane-1,1-dicarboxylate (106 mg, 0.616 mmol), N-benzylprop-2-yn-1-amine (268 mg, 1.846 mmol), and zinc(II) bistriflamide (77 mg, 0.123 mmol). Piperidine 4m (115 mg, 0.362 mmol, 59%) was obtained as a yellow oil:  $R_f = 0.23, 20\%$  EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.32$ -**Piperidine 4m** 7.22 (m, 5H), 4.96 (s, 1H), 4.74 (s, 1H), 3.94 (d, J = 13.4 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (s, 6H), 3.23 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 3.20 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (d, J = 13.4 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (ddg, X of ABX system, 11.3, 6.4, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (A of ABX system, J = 13.6, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 2.18 (B of ABX system, J = 13.6, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 1.23 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 170.5, 170.4, 140.5, 138.8, 128.9, 128.2, 126.8, 113.2, 61.1, 56.7, 55.8, 53.4, 52.8, 52.6, 39.1, 19.8; IR (thin film): 3086, 3063, 3028, 2953, 2841, 2794, 1737, 1653, 1495, 1453, 1436, 1375,1360, 1330, 1245, 1213, 1158, 1143, 1119, 1088, 1073, 1028, 963, 911, 783, 741, 668; HRMS calc'd for  $C_{18}H_{23}NO_4 = 317.1627$ , found = 317.1624.



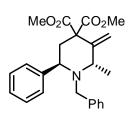
Piperidine 4n was prepared using general experimental procedure A with modifications to the equivalency of reagents. Toluene was also used in replace of benzene. Reagents employed: dimethyl cyclopropane-1,1-dicarboxylate (108 mg, 0.683 mmol), N-benzylprop-2-yn-1-amine (149 mg, 1.026 mmol), and zinc(II) bistriflamide (64 mg, 0.102 mmol). Piperidine 4n (151 mg, 0.498 mmol, 73%) was obtained as a yellow oil:  $R_f = 0.20$ , 20% EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.32-7.23 (m, 5H), 5.10 (s, 1H), 4.76 (s, 1H),

3.78 (s,6H), 3.50 (s, 2H), 3.09 (s, 2H), 2.50-2.44 (m, 2H), 2.37-2.34 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta = 170.4$ , 140.8, 137.8, 129.0, 128.2, 127.1, 113.5, 62.2, 60.9, 58.9, 52.7, 49.8, 31.9 ; IR (thin film): 3088, 3064, 3029, 3000, 2953, 2909, 2840, 2801, 2757, 2718, 1735, 1653, 1496, 1455, 1437, 1364, 1340, 1286, 1259, 1213, 1194, 1179, 1137, 1105, 1076, 1059, 1029, 1015, 957, 918, 818, 780, 742, 700; HRMS calc'd for  $C_{17}H_{21}NO_4 = 303.1471$ , found = 303.1479.



Piperidine **7(equimolar mix of 4 isomers)** was prepared using general experimental procedure A with modifications to the equivalency of reagents. Reagents employed: dimethyl 2-phenylcyclopropane-1,1-dicarboxylate (100 mg, 0.427 mmol), N-benzylbut-3-yn-2-amine (204 mg, 1.281 mmol), and zinc(II) bistriflamide (27 mg, 0.0432 mmol). Piperidine **7(equimolar mix of 4 isomers)** (165 mg, 0.419 mmol, 98%) was obtained as a pale yellow oil:  $R_f = 0.40$ , 20% EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400

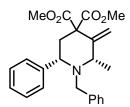
MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): Spectral data is consistent with a 1:1 mixture of **7(2S,6R)** and **7(2S,6S)** (*vide infra*).



Piperidine 7(2S,6R)

Piperidine **7**(**2***S*,**6***R*) was prepared using general experimental procedure A with modifications to the equivalency of reagents. Reagents employed: (*S*)-dimethyl 2-phenylcyclopropane-1,1-dicarboxylate (48 mg, 0.205 mmol, 95% *ee*), (*S*)-N-benzylbut-3-yn-2-amine (66 mg, 0.414 mmol), and zinc(II) bistriflamide (17 mg, 0.0272 mmol). Piperidine **7**(**2***S*,**6***R*) (78 mg, 0.198 mmol, 96%, diastereomeric purity >97%) was obtained as a very pale yellow oil:  $R_f = 0.41$ , 20% EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.52$ -7.48 (m, 2H), 7.36-7.18 (m, 8H), 5.12 (s, 1H), 4.97 (s,

1H), 4.21 (X of ABX system, J = 10.7, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.63 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.55 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 3.34 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 2.76 (A of ABX system, J = 13.5, 3.7 Hz, 1H), 2.57 (B of ABX system, J = 13.5, 10.7 Hz, 1H), 1.21 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 171.1, 171.0, 143.2, 142.3, 139.6, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 127.7, 127.1, 126.6, 114.7, 60.0, 56.8, 55.2, 52.7, 51.3, 35.4, 15.8 (note: 1 *sp*<sup>3</sup> carbon is missing presumably due to overlap); IR (thin film): 3086, 3062, 3029, 2979, 2951, 2841, 1731, 1645, 1603, 1494, 1451, 1434, 1376, 1267, 1243, 1211, 1148, 1121, 1088, 1076, 1062, 1029, 1009, 969, 912, 862, 818, 736, 699; HRMS calc'd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> = 393.1940, found = 393.1923. [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub> = +33.9 (*c* = 0.327, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>).



Piperidine **7(2***S***,6***S***)** was prepared using general experimental procedure A. Reagents employed: (*R*)-dimethyl 2-phenylcyclopropane-1,1-dicarboxylate (60 mg, 0.256 mmol), (*S*)-N-benzylbut-3-yn-2-amine (61 mg, 0.383 mmol, 98% *ee*), and zinc(II) bistriflamide (16 mg, 0.0256 mmol). Piperidine **7(2***S***,6***S***)** (96 mg, 0.244 mmol, 95%, diastereomeric purity >97%) was obtained as a very pale yellow oil:  $R_f = 0.39$ , 20% EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-

**Piperidine 7(2S,6S)** NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.53-7.49$  (m, 2H), 7.34-7.29 (m, 2H), 7.26-7.19 (m, 5H), 7.17-7.12 (m, 1H), 5.23 (s, 1H), 5.05 (s, 1H), 3.85-3.77 (m obscured by s at 3.83 and 3.79 ppm, 1 H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.66 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.38 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (A of ABX system, J = 14.0, 12.9Hz, 1H), 2.53 (B of ABX

system, J = 14.0, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 1.13 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 171.0, 170.7, 143.4, 143.3, 141.4, 128.3, 127.8, 127.7, 127.2, 126.2, 113.9, 109.7, 63.5, 61.0, 60.0, 54.8, 52.9, 52.8, 37.8, 21.3; IR (thin film): 3087, 3062, 3028, 2981, 2952, 2881, 2844, 2808, 1735, 1644, 1603, 1495, 1454, 1435, 1370, 1314, 1244, 1208, 1151, 1124, 1094, 1066, 1029, 971, 915, 765, 733, 700; HRMS calc'd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> = 393.1940, found = 393.1927. [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub> = -14.2 (c = 0.562, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>).

(R)-4-(trimethylsilyl)but-3-yn-2-yl methanesulfonate was prepared according to the procedure of Marshall and Chobanian.<sup>1</sup>

(R)-4-(trimethylsilyl)but-3-yn-2-yl methanesulfonate (463 mg, 2.101 mmol) NHBn was dissolved in benzyl amine (1.30 ml, 11.913 mmol) and the reaction stirred until TLC showed complete consumption of the starting material. Me<sub>3</sub>Si The reaction was poured into an aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> solution and extracted 4 times with ethyl acetate. The combined organics were washed with water then brine, and dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub>. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to produce a crude oil that was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (ethyl acetate / hexanes as eluent) to yield (S)-N-benzyl-4-(trimethylsilyl)but-3-yn-2-amine (0.446 g, 1.927 mmol, 92%) as a colorless oil:  $R_f =$ 0.47, 20% EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.37-7.30$  (m, 4H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 1H), 4.00 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 1.37-1.34 (br.s obscured by d at 1.35 ppm, 1H) 1.35 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.19 (s, 9H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ )  $\delta = 140.0, 128.40, 128.39, 127.0, 108.6, 87.1, 51.4, 45.1, 22.2, 0.14; IR (thin film):$ 3086, 3065, 3028, 2959, 2933, 2897, 2158, 1496, 1454, 1370, 1303, 1250, 1137, 1113, 1070, 884, 841, 760, 733, 698; HRMS calc'd for  $C_{14}H_{21}NSi = 231.1443$ , found = 231.1438.

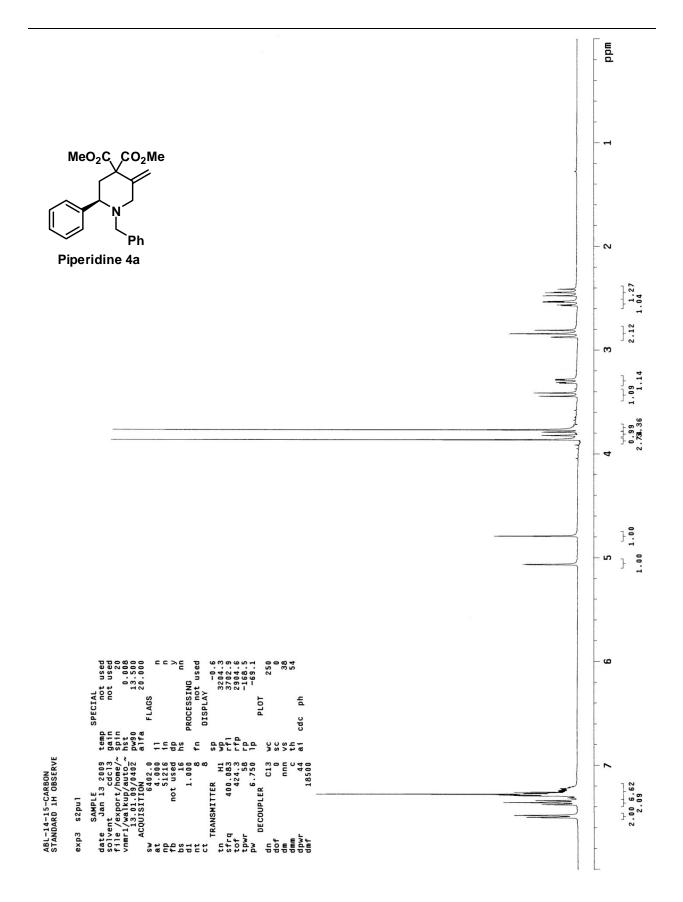
**NHBn** (S)-N-benzyl-4-(trimethylsilyl)but-3-yn-2-amine (230 mg, 0.994 mmol) was dissolved in MeOH (3.0 ml). K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (206 mg, 1.490 mmol) was then added and the reaction stirred until TLC showed complete consumption of the starting material. The reaction was poured into water and extracted 4 times with ethyl acetate. The combined organics were washed with water then brine, and dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub>. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to yield (S)-N-benzylbut-3-yn-2-amine (144 mg, 0.992 mmol, 100%, >99% *ee*) as a light yellow oil: R<sub>f</sub> = 0.32, 20% EtOAc in hexanes; <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.38-7.30 (m, 4H), 7.28-7.23 (m, 1H), 4.02 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (dq, J = 7.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 1.44-1.38 (br.s, 1H), 1.39 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  = 139.9, 128.40, 128.37, 127.0, 86.3, 70.7, 51.4, 44.3, 22.3; IR (thin film): 3292, 3087, 3064, 3029, 2974, 2933, 2843,1496, 1453, 1372, 1308, 1137, 1067, 1028, 980, 909, 838, 734, 698; HRMS calc'd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>13</sub>N = 159.1048, found = 159.1053; [α]<sub>D</sub> = -118.5 (*c* = 5.462, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>).

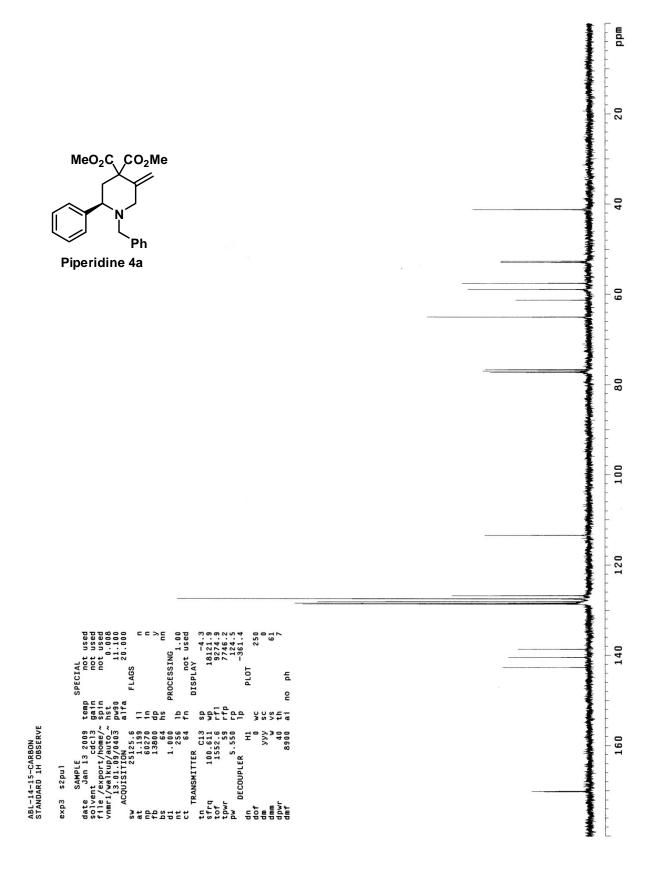
The enantiomeric excess was determined to be >99% by chiral HPLC, Chiralcel OD-H, 250 x 4.6 mm<sup>2</sup>, Diacel Chemical Industries; 98:2 Hexanes / *i*PrOH at 1.0 mL/min; 220 nm; The retention time for the enantiomers with the nitrogen protected with an acetyl group were  $r_t$  (+) = 16.59 min,  $r_t$ (-) = 17.89 min.

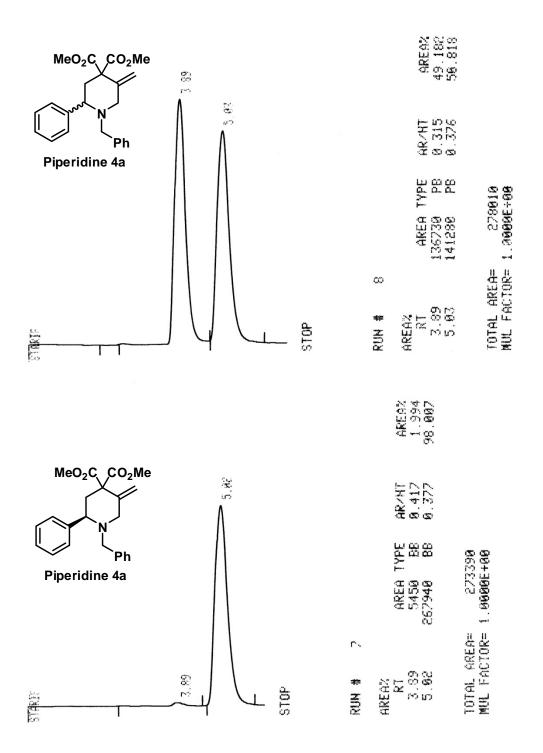
**Zn(NTf<sub>2</sub>)** ZnO (292 mg, 3.589 mmol) and trifluoromethane-sulfonimide (2.020 g, 7.185 mmol) were added to distilled H<sub>2</sub>O (15 ml) and the reaction brought to reflux. After 22 hours the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to yield zinc(II) bistriflamide (2.570 g, presumably as the hydrate) as an off-white crystalline solid: <sup>19</sup>F-NMR (400 MHz, Acetonitrile-d<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = -79.635$ 

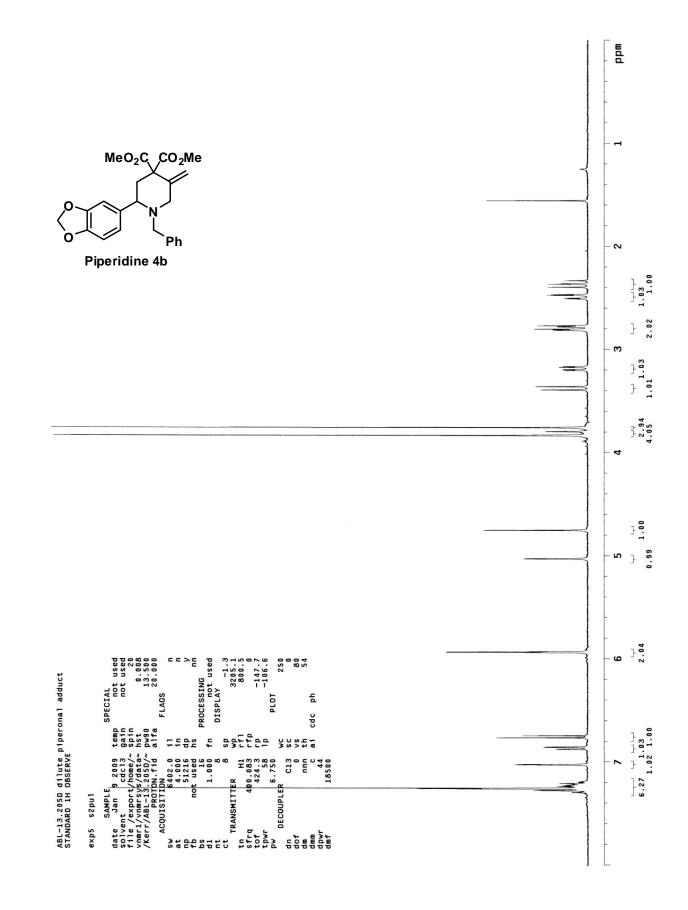
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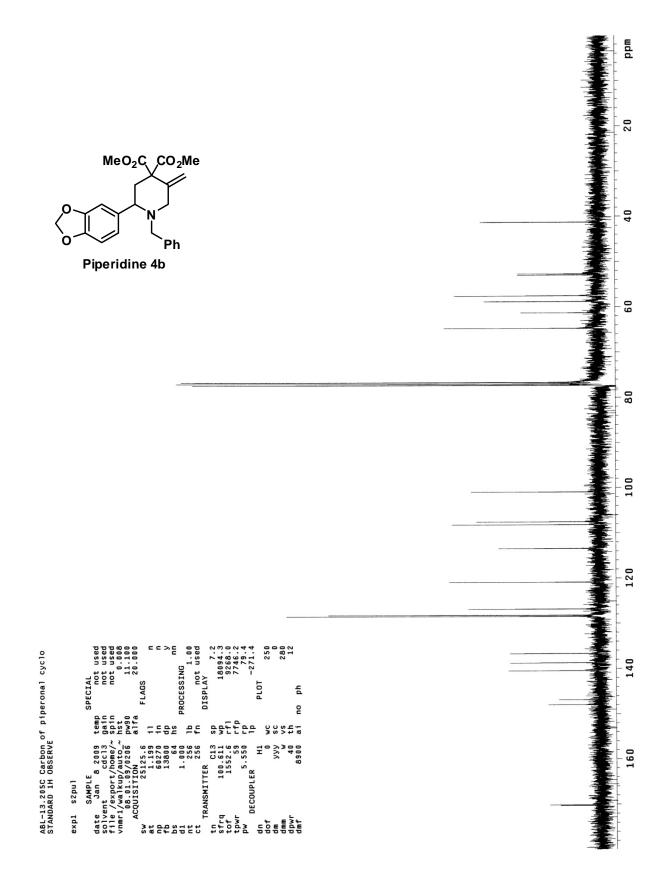
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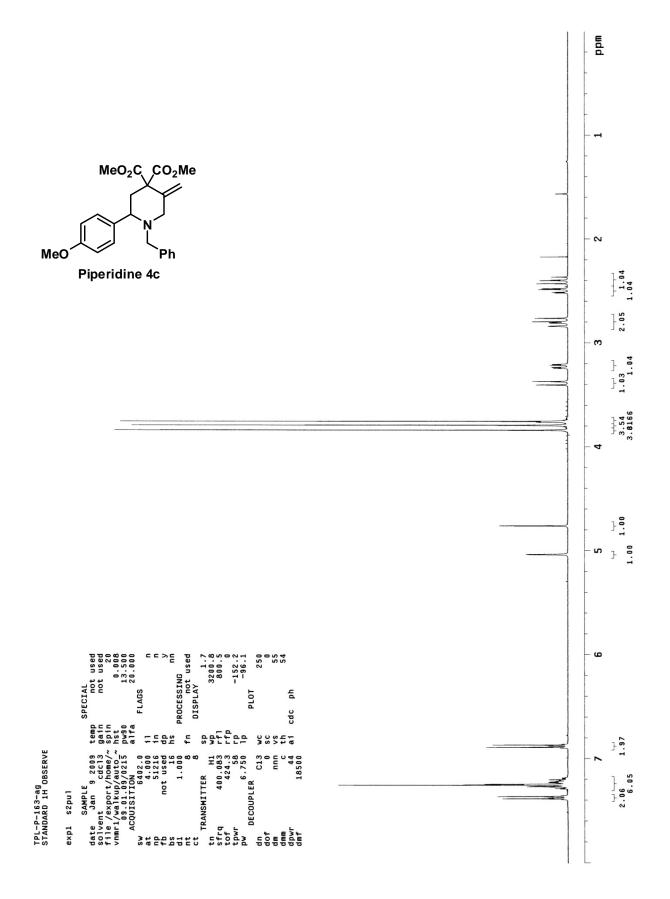


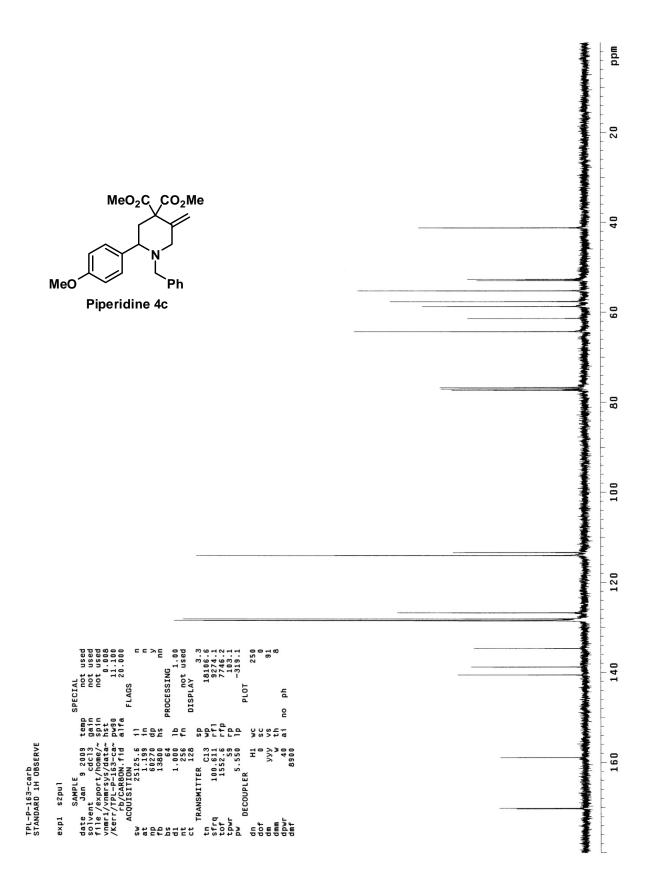


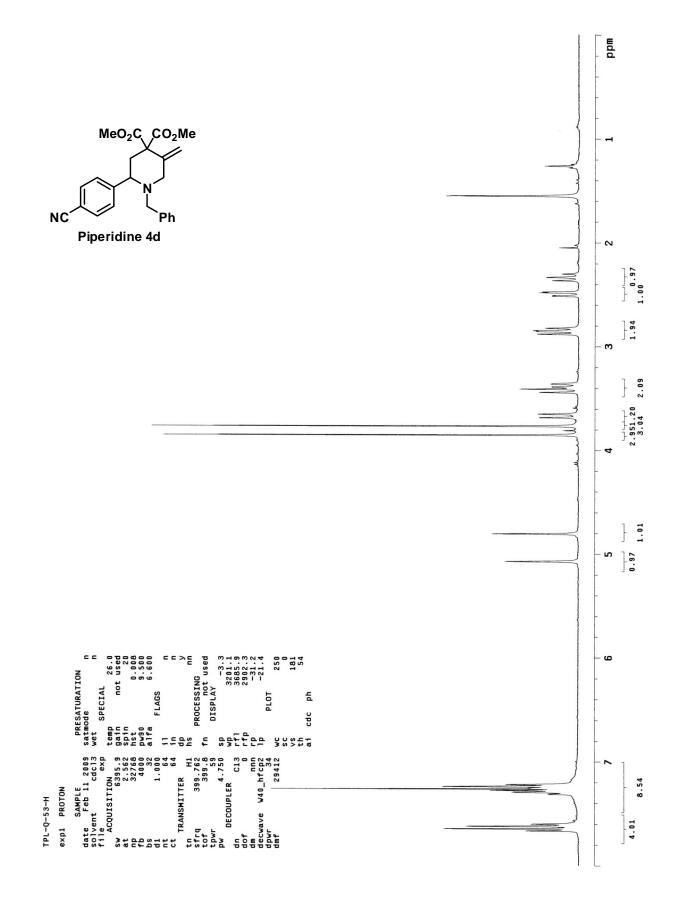


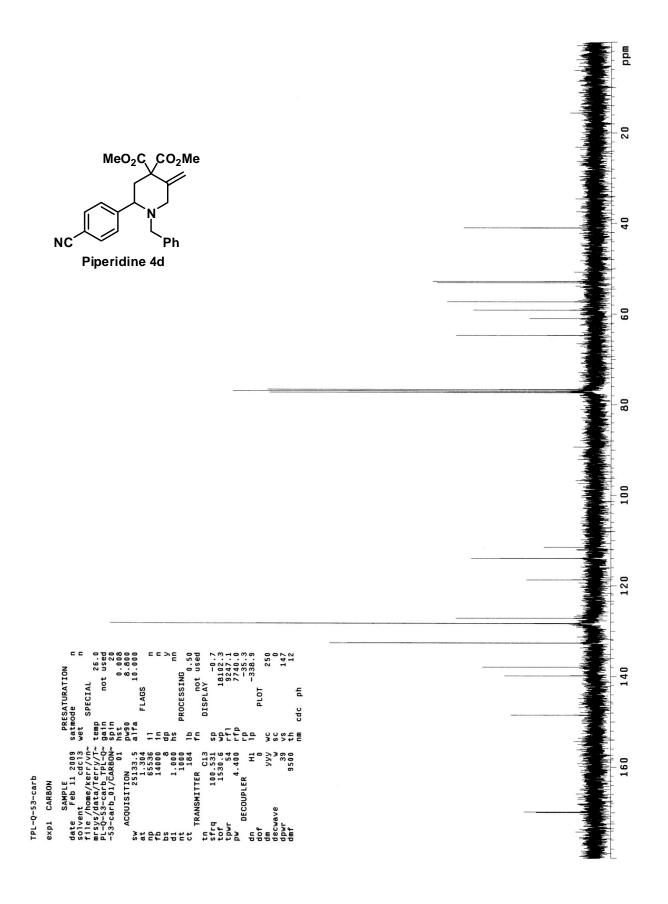


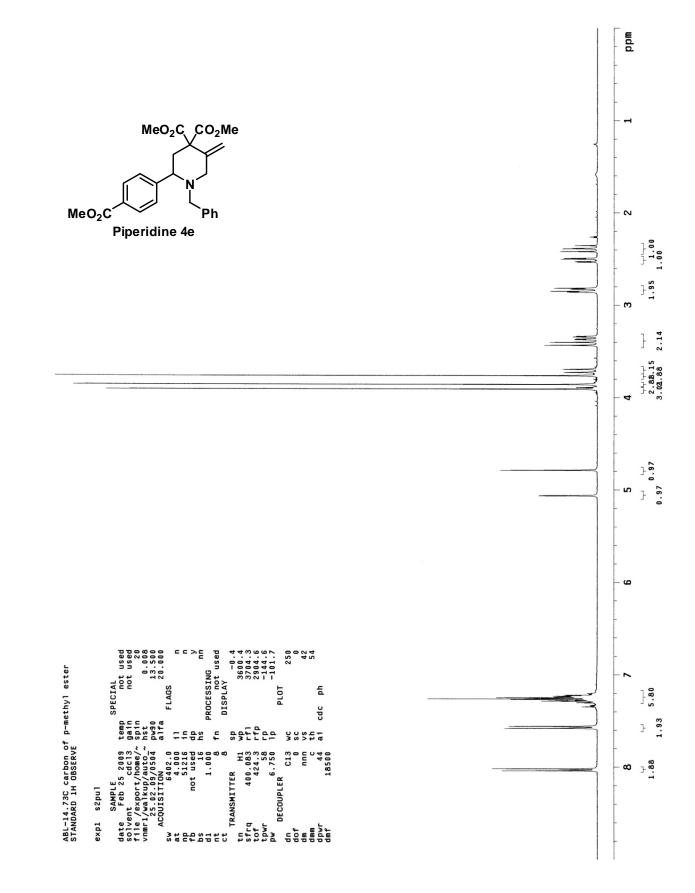












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