Cinnamoyl Derivatives of 7α -Aminomethyl-6,14endoethanotetrahydrothebaine and 7α -Aminomethyl-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrooripavine and Related Opioid Ligands.

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<u>Contents</u>: Spectral data (including ¹Hnmr, ¹³Cnmr and mass spec.) for all new compounds.

Experimental

Proton and carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance (n.m.r.) spectra were obtained on a JEOL JNM-GX FT 300 MHz spectrometer. Chemical shifts (δ), with tetramethylsilane as a standard, are measured in parts per million (p.p.m.) and coupling constants in Hz. Mass spectra were recorded on Fisons Autospectrometer using electron impac. Infra red (I.R.) spectra were obtained using a Perkin-Elmer 881 spectrometer. Microanalysis were obtained from a Carlo Erba EA 1108 analyser, and the results were within $\pm 0.4\%$ of the theoretical values.

General Procedure A: Preparation of acid chlorides and the *in situ* acylation of 7α -aminomethyl-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrothebaine/oripavine.

A suspension of oxalyl chloride (8.8 eqv) and the corresponding carboxylic acid (1.1 eqv) in anhydrous toluene was heated at reflux for 1 h. The resulting solution was allowed to cool to room temperature and the solvent removed *in vacuo*. The residue was redissolved in anhydrous dichloromethane and added dropwise to a solution of 7α -aminomethyl-6,14-endo-ethanotetrahydrothebaine (1.0 eqv) and triethylamine (1.1 eqv) in anhydrous dichloromethane, and the mixture stirred at room temperature overnight. The solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the crude residue purified by column chromatography (5% CH₃OH in CH₂Cl₂). In the acylation of 7α -aminomethyl-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrooripavine, a second equivalent (2.2 eqv) of the corresponding acid chloride was used to afford the bis-acylated derivative. The crude residue was redissolved in methanol/water (9:1) before adding potassium carbonate (5.0 eqv), and the mixture stirred at room temperature overnight. The solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the crude residue (5.0 eqv), and the crude residue purified by column chromatography (5% CH₃OH in CH₂Cl₂).

General procedure B:

EDC (2.0 eqv) was added to a stirred solution of the appropriate cinnamic acid (1.1 eqv) in dichloromethane (5 mL), followed by HOBt (0.5 eqv). The reaction mixture was stirred for 10 mins and then 7α -aminomethyl-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrothebaine (11) (1.0 eqv) was added. After 16 h the solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the crude residue purified by column chromatography (CH₂Cl₂:MeOH:NH₄OH, 200:10:1) to afford the desired amides.

General Procedure C: Two-stage reductive amination of 7α -aminomethyl-6,14endo-ethanotetrahydrothebaine/oripavine.

To a solution of 7α -aminomethyl-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrothebaine/oripavine (1.0 eqv) in anhydrous dichloromethane was added the corresponding cinnamaldehyde (1.0 eqv) and the mixture stirred at room temperature overnight. The solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the crude residue redissolved in methanol, cooled to 0 °C and sodium borohydride (3 eqv) added slowly, with further stirring for 3 h. The reaction was quenched through the addition of hydrochloric acid (1 N), basified with concentrated ammonia and extracted with dichloromethane. The combined organic phases were washed with water, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate and the solvent removed *in vacuo*. The crude residue was purified by column chromatography (5% CH₃OH in CH₂Cl₂).

7α -(Aminomethyl)-6,14-endoethenotetrahydrothebaine (10)

A solution of **9** (3.38 g, 9.21 mmol) and hydroxylamine hydrochloride (1.28 g, 18.43 mmol) in ethanol/water (60 mL, 1:1) was heated at reflux for 6 h. The solvent was removed *in vacuo* and the mixture made basic with aqueous ammonia. The aqueous layer was extracted with dichloromethane and the combined organic phases washed with brine, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate and the solvent removed *in*

vacuo to afford the oxime intermediate as a solid (quant.), which was used without further purification. A solution of the oxime (0.2 g, 0.52 mmol) in anhydrous tetrahydrofuran (5 mL) was added to a slurry of lithium aluminium hydride (0.06 g, 1.62 mmol) in anhydrous tetrahydrofuran and the mixture heated at reflux under nitrogen overnight. The excess lithium aluminium hydride was decomposed using sodium sulphate decahydrate, the mixture filtered through celite and the solvent removed *in vacuo* to afford **10** as a white solid (1.62 g, 4.4 mmol, 48%). *R*_f 0.38 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH, 90:10); $\delta_{\rm H}$ (CDCl₃) 1.30 (1H, m, H-7), 2.37 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.21 (1H, d, *J* = 18.5 Hz, H-10 β), 3.59 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.82 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 4.60 (1H, d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, H-5), 5.44 (1H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, H-19), 5.74 (1H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, H-18), 6.52 (1H, d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, H-1), 6.62 (1H, d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, H-2); $\delta_{\rm C}$ (CDCl₃) 22.2, 31.0, 33.3, 42.6, 43.5, 44.1, 45.5, 46.9, 52.3, 56.5, 60.0, 81.6, 94.6, 113.2, 119.1, 127.1, 128.1, 134.3, 135.6, 141.8, 148.0; IR (CHCl₃) 1656 (s, alkene), 1601 (s, NH) cm⁻¹; EI-MS *m/z* 368 (M+, 100%), *m/z* (High Res.) calc. for C₂₂H₂₈N₂O₃ 368.2099, found M+ 368.2099.

7α -(Aminomethyl)-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrothebaine (11)

A solution of **10** (0.16 g, 0.44 mmol) in ethanol (10 mL) was added to a slurry of 10% palladium-on-carbon (40% w/w) in ethanol (10 mL) and subsequently hydrogenated (40 atm) at 50 °C overnight. The mixture was then filtered through celite, the solvent removed *in vacuo* and the crude residue purified by gravity elution chromatography (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH:NH₄OH, 83:15:2) to afford **11** as a white foam (100 mg, 0.27 mmol, 61%). $R_{\rm f}$ 0.34 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH 90:10), 0.47 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH:NH₄OH, 83:15:2); $\delta_{\rm H}$ (CDCl₃) 2.31 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.08 (1H, d, J = 18.7 Hz, H-10 β), 3.47 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.87 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 4.50 (1H, s, H-5), 6.58 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, H-1), 6.73 (1H, d, J = 8.3 Hz, H-2), $\delta_{\rm C}$ (CDCl₃) 17.3, 22.0, 28.8, 32.6, 34.3, 34.9, 35.6, 41.5, 43.3, 45.2, 51.9, 53.4, 56.7, 61.1, 78.3, 93.8, 114.1, 119.2, 128.2, 132.1, 141.8, 146.7; IR (CHCl₃) 1601 (s, NH₂) cm⁻¹; EI-MS *m/z* 370 (M+, 100%), *m/z* (High Res.) calc. for $C_{22}H_{30}N_2O_3$ 370.2256, found M+ 370.2255.

7α -[(Cinnamoyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrothebaine (5a)

11 was treated with cinnamoyl chloride as in general procedure A to afford **5a** as a white solid (105 mg, 0.21 mmol, 70%). R_f 0.31 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH, 95:5); mp 152-154 °C (oxalate); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.30 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.11 (1H, d, J = 18.0 Hz, H-10 β), 3.50 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.88 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 4.48 (1H, s, H-5), 6.36 (1H, d, J = 16.0 Hz, CH=CHAr), 6.58 (1H, d, J = 16.0 Hz, CH=CHAr); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 18.7 (CH₂), 22.3 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 33.6 (CH₂), 35.6 (CH₂), 36.0 (CH), 36.1 (C), 42.1 (CH₂), 43.9 (CH₃), 45.5 (C), 45.6 (CH₂), 51.8 (CH₃), 57.0 (CH₃), 61.7 (CH), 77.8 (C), 93.5 (CH), 132.6 (C), 135.1 (C), 140.9 (CH), 141.9 (C), 146.9 (C), 165.9 (C); IR (CHCl₃) 1658, 1621 cm⁻¹; FAB-MS *m/z* 501 (MH+, 100%); Anal. (oxalate) (C₃₃H₃₈N₂O₈.3H₂O) CHN.

7α -[(2'-Methylcinnamoyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrothebaine (5b)

11 was treated with 2'-methylcinnamoyl chloride as in general procedure A to afford **5b** as a white solid (95 mg, 0.18 mmol, 51%). $R_{\rm f}$ 0.36 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH, 95:5); mp 155-157 °C (oxalate); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.33 (3H, s, NCH₃), 2.46 (3H, s, ArCH₃), 3.46 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.88 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 4.59 (1H, s, H-5), 6.56 (1H, d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, C*H*=CHAr), 6.62 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-1), 6.78 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-2), 7.20-7.28 (2H, m, ArH), 7.60 (1H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, ArH), 7.86-7.93 (2H, m, CH=CHAr, ArH); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 18.7 (CH₂), 20.3 (CH₃), 22.3 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 33.6 (CH₂), 35.6 (CH₂), 36.0 (CH), 42.1 (CH₂), 43.9 (CH₃), 45.5 (C), 45.6 (CH₂), 51.8 (CH₃), 56.9 (CH₃), 61.7 (CH), 77.8 (C), 93.4 (CH), 113.9 (CH), 199.4 (CH), 122.4 (CH), 126.2 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 128.7 (C), 129.5 (CH), 130.9 (CH), 132.6 (C), 134.1 (C), 137.6 (C),

138.7 (CH), 141.9 (C), 147.0 (C), 165.9 (C); IR (CHCl₃) 1657, 1620 cm⁻¹; FAB-MS m/z 515 (MH+, 100%); Anal. (HCl) (C₃₂H₃₉N₂O₄Cl. 2H₂O) CHN.

7α -[(2'-Chlorocinnamoyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrothebaine (5c)

11 was treated with 2'-chlorocinnamoyl chloride as in general procedure A to afford **5c** as a white solid (168 mg, 0.31 mmol, 87%). $R_{\rm f}$ 0.33 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH, 95:5); mp 155-157 °C (oxalate); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.32 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.52 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.85 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 4.65 (1H, s, H-5), 6.55-6.68 (2H, m, CH=CHAr, H-1), 6.80 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-2), 7.40-7.60 (5H, m, CH=CHAr, ArH); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 17.5 (CH₂), 21.5 (CH₂), 28.5 (CH₂), 32.5 (CH₂), 34.5 (CH₂), 35.0 (C), 35.1 (CH), 41.5 (CH₂), 42.9 (CH₃), 44.6 (C), 44.7 (CH₂), 50.9 (CH₃), 56.0 (CH₃), 61.0 (CH), 76.9 (C), 92.7 (CH), 113.5 (CH), 118.6 (CH), 123.5 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 126.9 (C), 127.5 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 129.8 (C), 132.0 (C), 134.0 (C), 135.8 (CH), 141.0 (C), 146.0 (C), 165.0 (C); IR (CHCl₃) 1658, 1621 cm⁻¹; FAB-MS *m*/*z* 535 (MH+, 100%); Anal. (oxalate) (C₃₃H₃₇N₂ClO₈.2H₂O) CHN.

7α -[(4'-Methylcinnamoyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrothebaine (5d)

11 was treated with 4'-methylcinnamoyl chloride as in general procedure A to afford **5d** as a white solid (100 mg, 0.19 mmol, 54%). $R_{\rm f}$ 0.36 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH, 95:5); mp 156-158 °C (oxalate); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.32 (3H, s, NCH₃), 2.39 (3H, s, ArCH₃), 3.45 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.86 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 4.58 (1H, s, H-5), 6.58-6.62 (2H, m, C*H*=CHAr, H-1), 6.78 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-2), 7.23 (2H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, ArH), 7.47 (2H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, ArH), 7.54 (1H, d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, CH=CHAr); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 18.7 (CH₂), 21.9 (CH₃), 22.3 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 33.6 (CH₂), 35.6 (CH₂), 35.9 (CH), 36.0 (C), 42.1 (CH₂), 43.9 (CH₃), 45.5 (C), 45.6 (CH₂), 51.8 (CH₃), 56.9 (CH₃), 61.7 (CH), 77.8 (C), 93.4 (CH), 113.9 (CH), 119.3 (CH), 120.1 (CH), 127.9 (CH), 128.6 (C), 129.7 (CH), 132.3 (C), 132.6 (C), 139.9 (C), 140.8 (CH), 141.9 (C), 146.9 (C), 166.1 (C); IR (CHCl₃) 1657, 1620 cm⁻¹; FAB-MS *m/z* 515 (MH+, 100%); Anal. (oxalate) (C₃₄H₄₀N₂O₈. 0.5CH₂Cl₂.H₂O) CHN.

7α -[(4'-Chlorocinnamoyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrothebaine (5e)

11 was treated with 4'-chlorocinnamoyl chloride as in general procedure A to afford **5e** as a white solid (147 mg, 0.27 mmol, 76%). $R_{\rm f}$ 0.31 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH, 95:5); mp 154-156 °C (oxalate); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.35 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.46 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.88 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 4.58 (1H, s, H-5), 6.62 (1H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, H-1), 6.66 (1H, d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, CH=CHAr), 6.78 (1H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, H-2), 7.42 (2H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, ArH), 7.54 (1H, d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, CH=CHAr), 7.58 (2H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, ArH); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 18.6 (CH₂), 22.3 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 33.6 (CH₂), 35.6 (CH₂), 36.0 (CH), 36.2 (C), 42.1 (CH₂), 43.9 (CH₃), 45.5 (C), 45.6 (CH₂), 51.9 (CH₃), 56.9 (CH₃), 61.6 (CH), 77.8 (C), 93.6 (CH), 113.9 (CH), 119.4 (CH), 121.9 (CH), 128.7 (C), 129.1 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 132.6 (C), 133.6 (C), 135.5 (C), 139.5 (CH), 141.9 (C), 146.9 (C), 165.6 (C); IR (CHCl₃) 1659, 1625 cm⁻¹; FAB-MS *m/z* 535 (MH+, 100%); Anal. (oxalate) (C₃₃H₃₇N₂ClO₈.2H₂O) CHN.

7α -[(4'-Nitrocinnamoyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrothebaine (5f)

11 was treated with 4'-nitrocinnamoyl chloride as in general procedure A to afford **5f** as a yellow solid (110 mg, 0.20 mmol, 53%). $R_{\rm f}$ 0.31 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH, 95:5); mp 158-160 °C (oxalate); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.29 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.12 (1H, d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, H-10 β), 3.51 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.88 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 4.47 (1H, s, H-5), 6.47 (1H, d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, CH=CHAr), 6.60 (1H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, H-1), 6.73 (1H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, H-2), 7.63-7.69 (3H, m, CH=CHAr, ArH), 8.22 (2H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, ArH); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 17.9 (CH₂), 21.9 (CH₂), 28.9 (CH₂), 33.1 (CH₂), 35.1 (CH₂), 35.6 (C), 35.8 (CH), 41.8 (CH₂), 43.5 (CH₃), 45.2 (CH₂), 51.7 (CH₃), 56.6 (CH₃), 61.3 (CH), 77.4 (C), 93.7 (CH), 113.7 (CH), 119.2 (CH), 124.1 (CH), 125.3 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.5 (C), 132.4 (C),

138.1 (CH), 141.2 (C), 141.7 (C), 146.7 (C), 148.0 (C), 164.5 (C); IR (CHCl₃) 1658, 1614 cm⁻¹; FAB-MS *m/z* 546 (MH+, 100%); Anal. (HCl) (C₃₁H₃₆N₃O₆Cl.2H₂O) CHN.

7α -[(2'-Nitrocinnamoyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrothebaine (5g)

11 (133 mg, 0.36 mmol) was treated with 2-nitrocinnamic acid as in general procedure B to afford **5g** as a white solid (161 mg, 0.30 mmol, 82 %). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 2.28 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.50 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.87 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 4.46 (1H, s, H-5), 6.28 (1H, d, J = 15.6 Hz, CH=CHAr), 6.58 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, H-1), 6.71 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, H-2), 7.49-7.62 (3H, m, ArH), 7.93 (1H, d, J = 15.6 Hz, CH=CHAr), 8.01 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz, ArH). ¹³C NMR: 17.9 (CH₂), 21.9 (CH₂), 28.9 (CH₂), 33.2 (CH₂), 35.1 (CH₂), 35.5 (C), 36.0 (CH), 41.8 (CH₂), 43.5 (CH₃), 45.1 (CH₂), 45.2 (C), 51.7 (CH₃), 56.6 (CH₃), 61.3 (CH), 77.7 (C), 93.7 (CH), 113.7 (CH), 119.1 (CH), 124.8 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 128.5 (C), 129.1 (CH), 130.0 (CH), 131.2 (C), 132.4 (C), 133.4 (CH), 135.6 (CH), 141.8 (C), 146.8 (C), 164.6 (C). FAB-MS *m/z* 546 (MH⁺), C₃₁H₃₅N₃O₆ requires 545; FAB-HRMS calculated 546.2599 (MH⁺), found 546.2575; Anal. (HCl) (C₃₁H₃₆N₃O₆Cl.3H₂O) CHN.

7α -[(2'-Methoxycinnamoyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrothebaine (5h)

11 (104 mg, 0.28 mmol) was treated with 2-methoxycinnamic acid as in general procedure B to afford **5h** as a white solid (119 mg, 0.22 mmol, 80 %). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 2.27 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.48 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.85 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 3.86 (3H, s, ArOCH₃), 4.48 (1H, s, H-5), 6.47 (1H, d, J = 15.7 Hz, CH=CHAr), 6.57 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, H-1), 6.70 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, H-2), 6.88 (1H, d, J = 8.4 Hz, ArH), 6.93 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz, ArH), 7.29 (1H, t, J = 8.4 Hz, ArH), 7.46 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz, ArH), 7.29 (1H, t, J = 8.4 Hz, ArH), 7.46 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz, ArH), 7.84 (1H, d, J = 15.7 Hz, CH=CHAr). ¹³C NMR: 18.4 (CH₂), 21.8 (CH₂), 28.9 (CH₂), 33.1 (CH₂), 35.1 (CH₂), 35.3 (CH), 35.5 (C), 41.6 (CH₂), 43.5 (CH₃), 44.9 (C), 45.2 (CH₂), 51.2 (CH₃), 55.3 (CH₃), 56.5 (CH₃), 61.3 (CH), 77.3 (C), 92.8 (CH), 111.0 (CH), 113.6 (CH), 112.1 (CH), 120.6 (CH), 122.0 (CH), 123.8 (C), 128.4 (C), 128.9 (CH), 130.6 (CH), 132.4 (C), 135.9 (CH), 141.7 (C), 146.8 (C), 158.1 (C), 166.4 (C). FAB-MS *m/z* 533 (MH⁺), C₃₂H₄₀N₂O₅ requires 532; FAB-HRMS calculated 531.2853 (MH⁺), found 531.2856; Anal. (HCl) (C₃₂H₃₉N₂O₅Cl.0.5CH₂Cl₂) CH, calculated N: 4.65, Found 5.16.

7α -[(4'-Methoxycinnamoyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrothebaine (5i)

11 (93 mg, 0.25 mmol) was treated with 4-methoxycinnamic acid as in general procedure B to afford **5i** as a white solid (114 mg, 0.22 mmol, 88 %). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): 2.25 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.46 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.76 (3H, s, ArOCH₃), 3.84 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 4.45 (1H, s, H-5), 6.24 (1H, d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, C*H*=CHAr), 6.55 (1H, d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, H-1), 6.68 (1H, d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, H-2), 6.84 (2H, d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, ArH), 7.41 (2H, d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, ArH), 7.54 (1H, d, *J* = 15.7 Hz, CH=CHAr). ¹³C NMR: 18.3 (CH₂), 21.7 (CH₂), 28.8 (CH₂), 33.0 (CH₂), 35.1 (CH₂), 35.4 (C), 35.5 (CH), 41.5 (CH₂), 43.4 (CH₃), 44.9 (CH), 45.1 (C), 51.2 (CH₃), 55.2 (CH), 56.5 (CH₃), 61.2 (CH), 65.7 (CH₃), 77.2 (C), 92.8 (CH), 113.5 (CH), 114.1 (CH), 118.6 (CH), 119.0 (CH), 127.5 (C), 128.4 (C), 129.2 (CH), 132.3 (C), 132.3 (C), 140.1 (CH), 141.7 (C), 146.7 (C), 160.7 (C), 166.1 (C). FAB-MS *m*/*z* 533 (MH⁺), C₃₂H₄₀N₂O₅ requires 532; FAB-HRMS calculated 531.2853(MH⁺), found 531.2857; Anal. (HCl) (C₃₂H₃₉N₂O₅Cl.0.5H₂O) CHN.

7α-(Aminomethyl)-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrooripavine (12)

To a solution of **11** (0.07 g, 0.20 mmol) in anhydrous dichloromethane (8 mL) was added a solution of boron tribromide (2.6 mL, 2.6 mmol, 1M in CH_2CI_2) and the mixture stirred at room temperature under nitrogen for 15 min. The reaction was quenched with ice/ammonium hydroxide (1:1) and stirred for a further 30 min. Following extraction with chloroform/methanol (3:1) the organic layer was washed with brine, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate and the solvent removed *in*

vacuo. Purification by gravity elution chromatography (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH:NH₄OH, 82.5:15:2.5) afforded **12** as a solid (52 mg, 0.14 mmol, 70%). $R_{\rm f}$ 0.33 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH:NH₄OH, 82.5:15:2.5); $\delta_{\rm H}$ (CDCl₃) 1.0 (1H, m, H-8), 1.41 (1H, m, H-7), 2.29 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.08 (1H, d, J = 18.7 Hz, H-10 β), 3.38 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 4.46 (1H, s, H-5), 6.51 (1H, d, J = 8.1 Hz, H-1), 6.68 (1H, d, J = 8.1 Hz, H-2), $\delta_{\rm C}$ (CDCl₃) 19.1, 21.9, 29.0, 33.4, 35.1, 35.7, 37.3, 43.4, 45.0, 45.4, 50.6, 56.2, 61.4, 91.6, 117.4, 119.5, 126.7, 131.9, 138.5, 145.8; IR (CHCl₃) 1604 (s, NH₂) cm⁻¹; El-MS *m/z* 356 (M+, 45%), *m/z* (High Res.) calc. for C₂₁H₂₈N₂O₃ 356.2099, found M+ 356.2095.

7α -[(Cinnamoyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrooripavine (6a)

12 was treated with cinnamoyl chloride as in general procedure A to afford **6a** as a white solid (156 mg, 0.32 mmol, 94%). $R_{\rm f}$ 0.16 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH, 95:5); mp 213-215 °C (oxalate); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.35 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.47 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 4.58 (1H, s, H-5), 6.40 (1H, d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, C*H*=CHAr), 6.50 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-1), 6.62 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-2), 7.30-7.50 (5H, m, ArH), 7.54 (1H, d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, CH=C*H*Ar); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 18.8 (CH₂), 21.7 (CH₂), 28.6 (CH₂), 32.5 (CH₂), 34.0 (CH), 34.5 (CH₂), 35.3 (C), 40.9 (CH₂), 42.9 (CH₃), 44.6 (CH₂), 45.1 (C), 50.0 (CH₃), 61.3 (CH), 76.6 (C), 90.6 (CH), 116.8 (CH), 119.2 (CH), 120.5 (CH), 126.6 (C), 127.4 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 131.7 (C), 134.6 (C), 137.9 (C), 140.3 (CH), 145.4 (C), 166.9 (C); IR (CHCl₃) 3300, 1658, 1613 cm⁻¹; FAB-MS *m/z* 487 (MH+, 100%); Anal. (oxalate) (C₃₂H₃₆N₂O₈, 0.5CH₂Cl₂.H₂O) CHN.

7α -[(2'-methylcinnamoyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrooripavine (6b)

12 was treated with 2'-methylcinnamoyl chloride as in general procedure A to afford **6b** as a white solid (42%). mp 208-215 °C (HCl); $R_{\rm f}$ 0.45 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH:NH₄OH, 89:10:1); $\delta_{\rm H}$ (CDCl₃) 1.15 (1H, m, H-8), 1.50 (1H, m, H-7), 2.29 (3H, s, ArCH₃), 2.42 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.07 (1H, d, *J* = 18.9 Hz, H-10 β), 3.47 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 4.50 (1H, s, H-5), 6.25 (1H, d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, C*H*=CHAr), 6.38 (1H, m, H-5'), 6.54 (1H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, H-1), 6.73 (1H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, H-2), 7.20 (2H, m, H-3'/H-4'), 7.50 (1H, m, H-6'), 7.90 (1H, d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, CH=CHAr); $\delta_{\rm C}$ (CDCl₃) 18.6, 19.8, 22.0, 28.9, 33.1, 34.9, 35.0, 35.7, 41.7, 43.4, 45.2, 45.3, 51.0, 61.3, 92.5, 116.7, 119.6, 121.9, 126.0, 126.1, 127.6, 129.4, 130.7, 132.1, 133.9, 137.5, 137.8, 138.7, 145.4, 166.0; IR (CHCl₃) 3584 (s, NH), 1654 (s, carbonyl), 1614 (s, alkene) cm⁻¹; CI-MS *m/z* 500 (MH+, 60%), *m/z* (High Res.) calc. for C₃₁H₃₆N₂O₄ 500.2675, found M+ 500.2662; Anal. (HCl) (C₃₁H₃₇N₂O₄CI.CH₃OH.0.5 CHCl₃) CHN

7α -[(2'-Chlorocinnamoyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrooripavine (6c)

12 was treated with 2ⁱ-chlorocinnamoyl chloride as in general procedure A to afford **6c** as a white solid (68 mg, 0.13 mmol, 39%). $R_{\rm f}$ 0.22 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH, 95:5); mp 188-190 °C (oxalate); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.30 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.49 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 4.63 (1H, s, H-5), 6.58-6.66 (2H, m, C*H*=CHAr, H-1), 6.79 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-2), 7.39-7.56 (5H, m, CH=CHAr, ArH); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 18.3 (CH₂), 21.8 (CH₂), 28.7 (CH₂), 32.9 (CH₂), 34.8 (C), 35.0 (CH₂), 35.5 (CH), 41.5 (CH₂), 43.2 (CH₃), 48.1 (CH₂), 50.9 (CH₃), 61.1 (CH), 76.9 (C), 92.6 (CH), 116.5 (CH), 119.5 (CH), 123.7 (CH), 126.7 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 127.6 (C), 129.9 (CH), 130.2 (CH), 131.9 (C), 133.0 (C), 134.5 (C), 136.4 (C), 137.3 (CH), 145.2 (C), 165.2 (C); IR (CHCl₃) 3304, 1657, 1614 cm⁻¹; EI-MS *m/z* 535 (M+, 100%); Anal. (oxalate) (C₃₂H₃₅N₂ClO₈. 0.7CH₂Cl₂) CHN.

7α -[(4'-Methylcinnamoyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrooripavine (6d)

12 was treated with 4'-methylcinnamoyl chloride as in general procedure A to afford **6d** as a white solid (63%). mp 215-220 °C (HCI); $R_{\rm f}$ 0.44 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH:NH₄OH,

89:10:1); δ_{H} (CDCl₃) 1.32 (2H, m, H-8), 1.50 (1H, m, H-7), 2.38 (3H, s, ArCH₃), 2.53 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.15 (1H, d, *J* = 18.9 Hz, H-10), 3.46 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 4.56 (1H, s, H-5), 6.52 (1H, d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, C*H*=CHAr), 6.58 (1H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, H-1), 6.73 (1H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, H-2), 7.19 (2H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-3'/H-5'), 7.43 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-2'/H-6'), 7.55 (1H, d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, CH=CHAr); δ_{C} (CDCl₃) 19.1, 21.2, 23.0, 28.8, 32.5, 33.8, 34.1, 35.8, 41.0, 42.9, 44.4, 45.9, 50.2, 62.4, 90.3, 117.6, 119.7, 119.9, 125.2, 127.8, 129.5, 131.2, 132.2, 138.8, 140.0, 140.7, 145.9, 167.8; IR (CHCl₃) 3577 (w, NH), 1664 (s, carbonyl) cm⁻¹; EI-MS *m/z* 500 (M+, 100%), *m/z* (High Res.) calc. for C₃₁H₃₆N₂O₄ 500.2675, found M+ 500.2669. Anal. (HCl) (C₃₁H₃₇N₂O₄Cl.0.7 CHCl₃.H₂O) CHN.

7α -[(4'-Chlorocinnamoyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrooripavine (6e)

12 was treated with 4'-chlorocinnamoyl chloride as in general procedure A to afford **6e** as a white solid (76 mg, 0.15 mmol, 43%). $R_{\rm f}$ 0.27 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH, 95:5); mp 194-196 °C (oxalate); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.26 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.41 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 4.43 (1H, s, H-5), 6.25 (1H, d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, C*H*=CHAr), 6.46 (1H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, H-1), 6.62 (1H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, H-2), 7.25 (2H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, ArH), 7.34 (2H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, ArH), 7.48 (1H, d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, CH=CHAr); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 18.9 (CH₂), 22.5 (CH₂), 29.4 (CH₂), 33.6 (CH₂), 35.4 (CH₂), 35.6 (CH), 36.1 (C), 42.1 (CH₂), 43.8 (CH₃), 45.7 (CH₂), 51.5 (CH₃), 61.7 (CH), 77.7 (C), 93.0 (CH), 116.9 (CH), 119.9 (CH), 121.6 (CH), 127.9 (C), 129.1 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 132.3 (C), 133.5 (C), 135.6 (C), 137.8 (C), 139.7 (CH), 145.5 (C), 165.7 (C); IR (CHCl₃) 3307, 1658, 1620 cm⁻¹; EI-MS *m/z* 520 (M+, 100%); Anal. (oxalate) (C₃₂H₃₅N₂CIO₈.2H₂O) CHN.

7α-[(4'-Nitrocinnamoyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrooripavine (6f)

12 was treated with 4²-nitrocinnamoyl chloride as in general procedure A to afford **6f** as a yellow solid (92 mg, 0.17 mmol, 51%). $R_{\rm f}$ 0.19 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH, 95:5); mp 185-187 °C (oxalate); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.24 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.05 (1H, d, *J* = 18.0 H-10 β), 3.46 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 4.45 (1H, s, H-5), 6.45-6.53 (2H, m, C*H*=CHAr, H-1), 6.68 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-2), 7.58-7.64 (3H, m, CH=CHAr, ArH), 8.17 (2H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, ArH); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 18.5 (CH₂), 22.0 (CH₂), 29.0 (CH₂), 33.0 (CH₂), 34.1 (CH₂), 35.8 (CH), 41.3 (CH₂), 43.4 (CH₃), 45.3 (CH₂), 45.7 (C), 50.8 (CH₃), 61.5 (CH), 92.0 (CH), 117.0 (CH), 120.0 (CH), 124.1 (CH), 125.0 (CH), 127.0 (C), 128.3 (CH), 132.0 (C), 138.0 (C), 138.2 (CH), 141.0 (C), 145.5 (C), 148.0 (C), 165.0 (C); IR (CHCl₃) 3303, 1655, 1610 cm⁻¹; EI-MS *m/z* 500 (MH+, 100%); Anal. (HCl) (C₃₀H₃₄N₃O₄Cl. CH₂Cl₂) CHN.

7α -[(Cinnamyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrothebaine oxalate (7a)

11 was treated with cinnamyl bromide as in general procedure C to afford **7a** as a white solid (107 mg, 0.22 mmol, 65%). mp 110-112 °C (oxalate); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.30 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.41 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.44 (2H, m, CH₂CH=CHAr), 3.87 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 4.53 (1H, s, H-5), 6.32 (1H, m, CH₂CH=CHAr), 6.56 (1H, d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, CH₂CH=CHAr), 6.58 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-1), 6.71 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-2), 7.19-7.39 (5H, m, ArH); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 19.1 (CH₂), 21.8 (CH₂), 29.0 (CH₂), 33.8 (CH₂), 35.0 (CH), 35.2 (CH₂), 35.6 (C), 43.5 (CH₃), 44.8 (C), 45.2 (CH₂), 50.8 (CH₃), 51.1 (CH₂), 51.9 (CH₂), 56.5 (CH₃), 61.3 (CH), 76.7 (C), 92.1 (CH), 113.6 (CH), 118.9 (CH), 126.2 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 131.6 (CH), 132.4 (C), 136.9 (C), 141.7 (C), 146.9 (C); EI-MS *m/z* 486 (M+, 30%), 117 (100); Anal. (oxalate) (C₃₃H₄₀N₂O₇. CH₂Cl₂.H₂O) CHN.

7α -[(Cinnamyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrooripavine (8a)

12 was treated with cinnamyl bromide as in general procedure C to afford **8a** as a white solid (109 mg, 0.23 mmol, 61%). mp 190-192 °C (oxalate); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.25 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.36 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.48 (2H, m, CH₂CH=CHAr), 4.45 (1H, s,

H-5), 5.46 (1H, br s, OH), 6.29 (1H, m, CH₂C*H*=CHAr), 6.50 (1H, d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, CH₂CH=C*H*Ar), 6.53 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-1), 6.69 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-2), 7.20-7.40 (5H, m, ArH); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 19.4 (CH₂), 21.9 (CH₂), 29.0 (CH₂), 33.8 (CH₂), 34.0 (CH), 35.1 (CH₂), 35.7 (C), 43.4 (CH₃), 44.9 (C), 45.2 (CH₂), 50.4 (CH₃), 50.5 (CH₂), 51.4 (CH₂), 61.3 (CH), 76.9 (C), 92.1 (CH), 117.4 (CH), 119.4 (CH), 126.3 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 127.0 (CH), 127.4 (C), 128.4 (CH), 131.0 (C), 132.1 (CH), 136.7 (C), 138.4 (C), 145.9 (C); EI-MS *m*/*z* 472 (M+, 40%), 117 (110); Anal. (oxalate) (C₃₂H₃₈N₂O₇. CH₂Cl₂.H₂O) CHN.

7α -[(4'-Chlorocinnamyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrothebaine (7b)

11 was treated with 4'-chlorocinnamyl bromide as in general procedure C to afford **7b** as a white solid (94 mg, 0.18 mmol, 64%). mp 110-112 °C (oxalate); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.30 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.41 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.44 (2H, m, CH₂CH=CHAr), 3.87 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 4.52 (1H, s, H-5), 6.30 (1H, m, CH₂CH=CHAr), 6.50 (1H, d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, CH₂CH=CHAr), 6.58 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-1), 6.71 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-2), 7.26-7.29 (4H, m, ArH); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 19.8 (CH₂), 22.3 (CH₂), 29.6 (CH₂), 34.4 (CH₂), 35.6 (CH), 35.7 (CH₂), 36.0 (C), 43.9 (CH₃), 45.2 (C), 45.7 (CH₂), 51.1 (CH₃), 51.8 (CH₂), 52.4 (CH₂), 56.9 (CH₃), 61.8 (CH), 77.1 (C), 92.3 (CH), 113.7 (CH), 119.2 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 128.8 (C), 128.9 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 130.1 (CH), 132.8 (C), 133.1 (C), 135.9 (C), 142.0 (C), 147.1 (C); EI-MS *m*/*z* 520 (M+, 60%), 151 (100); Anal. (oxalate) (C₃₃H₃₉N₂CIO₇. CH₂Cl₂.0.5H₂O) CHN

7α -[(4'-Chlorocinnamyl)-aminomethyl]-6,14-endoethanotetrahydrooripavine (8b)

12 was treated with 4'-chlorocinnamyl bromide as in general procedure C to afford **8b** as a white solid (111 mg, 0.22 mmol, 62%). mp 195-196 °C (oxalate); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.23 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.35 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.46 (2H, m, CH₂CH=CHAr), 4.47 (1H, s, H-5), 4.53 (1H, br s, OH), 6.28 (1H, m, CH₂CH=CHAr), 6.47 (1H, d, *J* = 16.1 Hz, CH₂CH=CHAr), 6.51 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-1), 6.69 (1H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-2), 7.24-7.27 (4H, m, ArH); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 19.9 (CH₂), 22.4 (CH₂), 29.5 (CH₂), 34.4 (CH₂), 34.6 (CH), 35.6 (CH₂) 36.2 (C), 43.8 (CH₃), 45.4 (CH₂), 45.7 (C), 50.8 (CH₃), 51.3 (CH₂), 52.0 (CH₂), 61.7 (CH), 77.3 (C), 91.6 (CH), 117.6 (CH), 117.8 (CH), 127.2 (C), 127.7 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.9 (CH), 131.0 (CH), 132.3 (C), 133.2 (C), 135.6 (C), 138.5 (C), 146.0 (C); EI-MS *m*/*z* 506 (M+, 50%), 151 (100); Anal. (oxalate) (C₃₂H₃₇N₂CIO₇. CH₂Cl₂.0.5H₂O) CHN.

1'-Benzyl-2',5'-dioxo- $[7\alpha, 8\alpha:3',4']$ -pyrrolidino-6,14endoethenotetrahydrothebaine (14)

A mixture of thebaine (**13**) (1.6 g, 5.1 mmol) and *N*-benzylmaleimide (1.4 g, 7.7 mmol) in toluene (30 mL) was heated at reflux for 18 h. The solvent was removed *in vacuo* to afford **14** as an orange solid (quant.), which was used without further purification. $R_{\rm f}$ 0.75 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH, 90:10); $\delta_{\rm H}$ (CDCl₃) 2.48 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.10 (1H, d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, H-7), 3.25 (1H, d, *J* = 18.7 Hz, H-10 β), 3.69 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.81 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 4.03 (1H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, H-9), 4.30 (1H, d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, H-8), 4.50 (1H, d, *J* = 14.2 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.57 (1H, d, *J* = 14.2 Hz, CH₂Ph), 4.67 (1H, d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, H-5), 5.28 (1H, d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, H-19), 5.66 (1H, d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, H-18), 6.56 (1H, d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, H-1), 6.64 (1H, d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, H-2), 7.25 (5H, m, Ph); IR (CHCl₃) 1710, 1771 (s, C-20, -22 carbonyls), 1633 (alkene) cm⁻¹; $\delta_{\rm C}$ (CDCl₃) 22.5, 33.3, 41.3, 41.5, 42.6, 43.1, 44.9, 45.2, 47.7, 51.5, 56.3, 57.1, 80.6, 90.5, 113.6, 119.9, 127.6, 127.8, 128.3, 129.1, 132.4, 133.1, 134.1, 135.6, 142.1, 147.8, 173.7, 176.9; EI-MS *m*/z 498 (M+, 50%).

1'-Benzyl-[7a,8a:3',4']-pyrrolidino-6,14-endoethenotetrahydrothebaine (15)

To a slurry of lithium aluminium hydride (0.58 g, 15.43 mmol) in anhydrous tetrahydrofuran (10 mL) at room temperature under nitrogen was added **14** (2.16 g,

4.34 mmol) in anhydrous tetrahydrofuran (20 mL), and the suspension heated at reflux for 16 h. The mixture was then filtered through celite and the solvent removed *in vacuo*. The residue was then purified by gravity elution chromatography (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH, 97:3) to afford **15** as a white foam (1.52 g, 3.23 mmol, 74%). $R_{\rm f}$ 0.57 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH, 90:10) 0.78 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH:NH₃, 82.5:15:2.5); $\delta_{\rm H}$ (CDCl₃) 2.32 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.0 (2H, m, H-16), 3.07 (1H, d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, H-9), 3.19 (1H, d, *J* = 18.7 Hz, H-10 β), 3.49 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.65 (2H, m, CH₂Ph), 3.82 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 4.62 (1H, d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, H-5), 5.33 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.6 and 1.0 Hz, H-19), 5.76 (1H, d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, H-18), 6.52 (1H, d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, H-1), 6.62 (1H, d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, H-2), 7.28 (5H, m, PhH); $\delta_{\rm C}$ (CDCl₃) 20.1, 32.8, 41.3, 42.3, 43.6, 44.5, 45.3, 48.4, 51.4, 56.4, 56.6, 58.8, 60.4, 81.7, 93.1, 112.9, 119.1, 126.9, 127.8, 128.2, 128.7, 130.3, 134.3, 135.4, 139.0, 141.9, 147.9; IR (CHCl₃) 1633 (C=C) cm⁻¹; EI-MS *m/z* 470 (M+, 85%), *m/z* (High Res.) calc. for C₃₀H₃₄N₂O₃ 470.2569, found 470.2578.

[7α,8α:3',4']-Pyrrolidino-6,14-endoethenotetrahydrothebaine (16)

To a solution of **15** (1.41 g, 3.0 mmol) in ethanol (10 mL) was added concentrated hydrochloric acid (0.62 mL, 7.52 mmol) and 10% palladium-on-carbon (40% w/w) and the mixture hydrogenated (40 psi) at room temperature for 5 d. The mixture was then filtered through celite and the solvent removed *in vacuo* to afford **16** as a white solid (0.24 g, 0.64 mmol, 22%); with 63% recovery of starting material. $R_{\rm f}$ 0.44 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH:NH₄OH, 82.5:15:2.5); $\delta_{\rm H}$ (CDCl₃) 1.85 (1H, m, H-8), 2.12 (1H, m, H-7), 2.36 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.53 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 3.82 (3H, s, 3-OCH₃), 4.60 (1H, d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, H-5), 5.37 (1H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, H-19), 5.84 (1H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, H-18), 6.53 (1H, d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, H-1), 6.63 (1H, d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, H-2); $\delta_{\rm C}$ (CDCl₃) 22.2, 32.8, 42.1, 43.6, 43.8, 44.8, 45.3, 48.5, 48.8, 49.2, 51.8, 56.4, 58.9, 81.3, 93.2, 113.2, 119.3, 127.7, 130.7, 133.7, 134.8, 142.0, 147.9; IR (CHCl₃) 3602 (s, NH), 1602 (s, alkene) cm⁻¹; El-MS *m/z* 380 (M+, 100%), m/z (High Res.) calc. for C₂₃H₂₈N₂O₃ 380.2099, found 380.2100.

$[7\alpha, 8\alpha: 3', 4']$ -Pyrrolidino-6,14-endoethenotetrahydrooripavine (17)

To a solution of **16** (0.07 g, 0.15 mmol) in anhydrous dichloromethane (6 mL) at room temperature under nitrogen was added a solution of boron tribromide (2.0 mL, 2.0 mmol, 1M in CH₂Cl₂) and the mixture stirred for 15 min. The mixture was then guenched with ice/ammonia (50:50) and stirred for further 30 min. The organic layer was extracted with dichloromethane/methanol (3:1), the combined organic phases washed with brine, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulphate and the solvent removed in vacuo. The crude residue was then purified by gravity elution chromatography ($CH_2CI_2:CH_3OH:NH_4OH$, 82.5:15:2.5) to afford **17** as a light brown foam (40 mg, 0.11 mmol, 72%). *R*_f 0.30 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH:NH₄OH, 82.5:15:2.5); δ_H (CDCl₃) 1.85 (1H, m, H-8), 2.12 (1H, m, H-7), 2.38 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.24 (1H, d, J = $18.9 \text{ Hz}, \text{H}-10\beta$, $3.52 (3\text{H}, \text{s}, 6-\text{OCH}_3)$, $3.82 (3\text{H}, \text{s}, 3-\text{OCH}_3)$, 4.60 (1H, d, J = 1.3 Hz), H-5), 5.37 (1H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, H-19), 5.75 (1H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, H-18), 6.53 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, H-1), 6.59 (1H, d, J = 8.2 Hz, H-2); δ_{C} (CDCl₃) 22.3, 32.6, 42.6, 43.4, 44.0, 44.9, 45.5, 49.3, 51.2, 54.2, 59.1, 81.5, 92.3, 116.8, 119.7, 126.4, 129.2, 133.5, 135.0, 138.5, 146.8; IR (CHCl₃) 3573 (s, NH), 1604 (s, alkene) cm⁻¹; EI-MS *m/z* 366 (M+, 100%), m/z (High Res.) calc. for C₂₂H₂₆N₂O₃ 366.1943, found 366.1936.

1'-(o-Methylcinnamoyl)- $[7\alpha, 8\alpha:3', 4']$ -pyrrolidino-6,14endoethenotetrahydrooripavine (18a)

17 was treated as in general procedure A with purification by gravity elution chromatography (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH:NH₄OH, 94:5:1) and preparative thin layer chromatography (EtOAc:NH₄OH 99:1) affording **18a** as a white solid (160 mg, 0.31 mmol, 47%). mp >250 °C (HCl); R_f 0.47 (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH:NH₄OH, 89:10:1); δ_H (CDCl₃) 1.85 (1H, m, H-8), 2.25 (1H, m, H-7), 2.36 (3H, s, ArCH₃), 2.40 (3H, s,

NCH₃), 3.55 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 4.60 (1H, d, J = 1.3 Hz, H-5), 5.35 (1H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, H-19), 5.75 (1H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, H-18), 6.38 (1H, d, J = 15.5 Hz, CH=CHAr), 6.48 (1H, d, J = 8.1 Hz, H-1), 6.64 (1H, d, J = 8.1 Hz, H-2), 7.20 (3H, m, H-3'/H-4'/H-5'), 7.50 (1H, m, H-6'), 7.95 (1H, d, J = 15.5 Hz, CH=CHAr); δ_{C} (CDCl₃) 19.8, 22.4, 32.8, 38.7, 41.0, 43.5, 45.4, 48.1, 48.7, 51.5, 52.0, 58.8, 81.1, 93.0, 116.6, 119.7, 120.6, 126.0, 127.0, 128.1, 129.4, 130.6, 133.5, 134.0, 135.0, 137.6, 138.1, 139.9, 140.3, 146.4, 164.5; IR (CHCl₃) 1645 (s, carbonyl), 1602 (s, alkene) cm⁻¹; CI-MS *m/z* 511 (MH+, 50%). Anal. (HCl) (C₃₂H₃₅N₂O₄Cl.0.3 CHCl₃.3 H₂O) CHN.

1'-(p-Methylcinnamoyl)- $[7\alpha, 8\alpha:3', 4']$ -pyrrolidino-6,14endoethenotetrahydrooripavine (18b)

17 was treated as in general procedure A with purification by gravity elution chromatography (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH:NH₄OH, 94:5:1) and preparative thin layer chromatography (CH₂Cl₂:CH₃OH:NH₄OH, 94:5:1) affording **18b** as a white solid (90 mg, 0.18 mmol, 43%). mp >250 °C (HCI); R_f 0.45 (CH₃OH:CH₂Cl₂:NH₄OH, 10:89:1); δ_H (CDCl₃) 1.85 (1H, m, H-8), 2.25 (1H, m, H-7), 2.35 (3H, s, ArCH₃), 2.41 (3H, s, NCH₃), 3.55 (3H, s, 6-OCH₃), 4.61 (1H, s, H-5), 5.35 (1H, d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, H-19), 5.75 (1H, d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, H-18), 6.48 (1H, d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, H-1), 6.64 (2H, m, C*H*=CHAr, H-2), 7.15 (2H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-3'/H-5'), 7.41 (2H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, H-2'/H-6'), 7.60 (1H, d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, CH=CHAr); δ_C (CDCl₃) 21.3, 22.4, 30.8, 38.7, 43.4, 45.5, 48.1, 48.7, 52.0, 58.7, 81.1, 92.5, 116.6, 117.1, 119.8, 127.8, 128.1, 129.4, 132.3, 137.9, 139.8, 142.0, 164.5; IR (CHCl₃) 1646 (s, carbonyl), 1603 (s, alkene) cm⁻¹; CI-MS *m/z* 511 (MH+, 100%). Anal. (HCI) (C₃₂H₃₅N₂O₄CI.·CHCl₃·0.25 H₂O) CHN.

Microanalysis

C'pd	Calculated			Found		
	С	н	N	С	н	Ν
5a.oxalate.3H ₂ O	61.5	6.8	4.3	61.4	6.9	4.1
5b.HCl.2H ₂ O	65.4	7.15	4.77	65.0	7.05	4.89
5c.oxalate.2H ₂ O	60.0	6.2	4.2	59.8	5.8	4.1
5d.oxalate.0.5CH ₂ Cl ₂ .H ₂ O	62.3	6.47	4.21	62.4	6.32	4.09
5e.oxalate.2H ₂ O	60.0	6.2	4.2	60.2	5.8	4.2
5f.HCI.2H ₂ O	59.6	6.13	6.95	59.3	6.35	7.05
5g.HCl.3H ₂ O	58.5	6.60	6.60	58.2	6.34	6.76
5h.HCl.0.5CH ₂ Cl ₂	63.4	6.50	4.65	63.1	6.67	5.16
5i.HCl.0.5H ₂ O	66.7	6.77	4.86	66.5	6.97	4.70
6a.oxalate.0.5CH ₂ Cl ₂ .H ₂ O	61.2	6.12	4.40	61.2	5.97	4.24
6b.HCl.H ₂ O	67.0	6.85	5.04	66.8	7.01	5.18
6c.oxalate.0.7CH ₂ Cl ₂	58.6	5.43	4.18	58.8	5.61	4.16
6d.HCl.0.75CH ₂ Cl ₂ .0.25H ₂ O	62.9	6.44	4.63	63.3	6.24	4.28
6e.oxalate.2H ₂ O	59.3	6.03	4.33	59.7	5.87	4.43
6f.HCI.CH ₂ Cl ₂	57.0	5.51	6.43	57.4	5.49	6.32
7a.oxalate.CH2Cl2.H2O	60.1	6.48	4.12	60.5	6.21	4.12
7b.oxalate.CH ₂ Cl ₂ .0.5H ₂ O	57.9	5.96	3.97	57.8	5.85	3.97
8a.oxalate.CH2Cl2.H2O	59.5	6.32	4.21	59.7	6.12	4.21
8b.oxalate.CH ₂ Cl ₂ .0.5H ₂ O	57.3	5.79	4.06	57.5	5.74	4.07
18a.HCI.0.5CH ₂ Cl ₂ .2H ₂ O	62.1	6.90	4.60	61.9	6.84	4.28
18b.HCI.0.75CH ₂ Cl ₂	59.9	6.68	4.40	60.1	6.51	4.11