

Supplementary Information:

**Chiral diene-promoted room temperature conjugate arylation:
highly enantioselective synthesis of substituted chiral phenylalanine
derivatives and α,α -di(arylmethyl)acetates**

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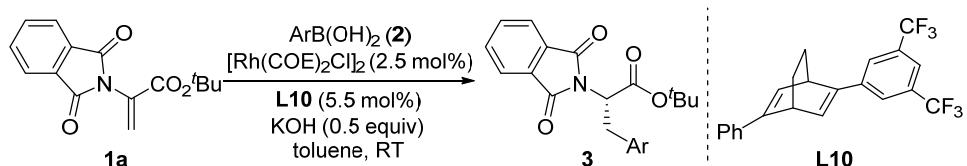
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1. General

All anaerobic and moisture-sensitive manipulations were carried out with standard Schlenk techniques under predried nitrogen or argon. Solvents were dried and distilled by standard procedures. NMR spectra were recorded on a Mercury 300 spectrometer (300 MHz for ¹H), and Varian spectrometer (400 MHz or 600 MHz for ¹H, 125 MHz or 150 MHz for ¹³C). Chemical shifts are reported in δ (ppm) referenced to an internal SiMe₄ standard or the residual peak of methanol-d4 (δ 3.31), dimethyl sulfoxide-d6 (δ 2.50) for ¹H NMR, and chloroform-d (δ 77.16), methanol-d4 (δ 49.00) for ¹³C NMR. Optical rotations were measured on a Perkin-Elmer 241 MC polarimeter. HPLC was performed on a JASCO 2000 instrument by using Daicel columns with 2-propanol/hexane as the eluent.

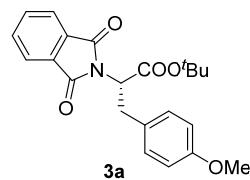
2. General procedure for Rh-catalyzed 1,4-addition/asymmetric protonation of α-phthalylimide tert-butyl acrylate 1a



Under Ar atmosphere, a solution of α-phthalylimide *tert*-butyl acrylate **1a** (0.1 mmol), arylboronic acid **2** (0.3 mmol), $[\text{Rh}(\text{COE})_2\text{Cl}]_2$ (1.8 mg, 0.005 mmol of Rh), **L10** (2.2 mg, 0.0055 mmol) in 1.0 mL of anhydrous toluene was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. To this mixture was added KOH (0.05 mL, 1.0 M, 0.05 mmol). After reaction for another 12 hours, a saturated aq. NH₄Cl was added and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (10 mL×3). The combined organic phase was dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel flash chromatography, eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc (20%-30% EtOAc), to afford the corresponding products **3**.

3. Characterization data and HPLC of products 3

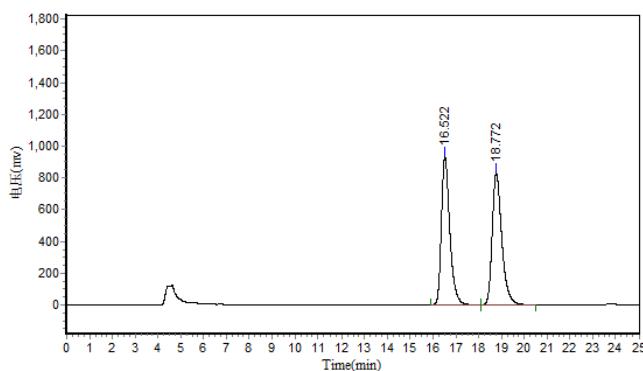
tert-butyl (S)-2-(1,3-dioxoisooindolin-2-yl)-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)propanoate (3a)



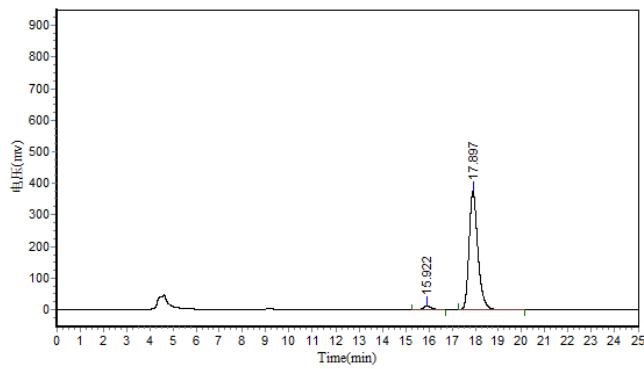
99% yield, colorless oil, 94% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.75 (dd, *J* = 5.1, 3.2 Hz, 2H), 7.67-7.54 (m, 2H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.78-6.57 (m, 2H), 5.00 (dd, *J* = 9.6, 7.0 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.56-3.37 (m, 2H), 1.43 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.9, 167.7, 158.3, 134.0, 131.7, 129.8, 129.1, 123.4, 113.9, 82.7, 55.1, 54.3, 33.8, 27.9. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₂H₂₃NNaO₅ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 404.1474, found 404.1468.

HPLC: Chiralpak IC column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 15.9 min, 17.9 min (major).

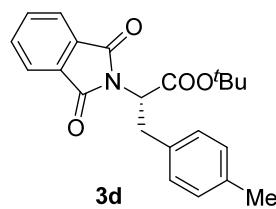


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Total			1762546.563	48285812.000	100.0000



Results					
Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		15.922	13112.486	308711.688	2.9974
2		17.897	375600.188	9990632.000	97.0026
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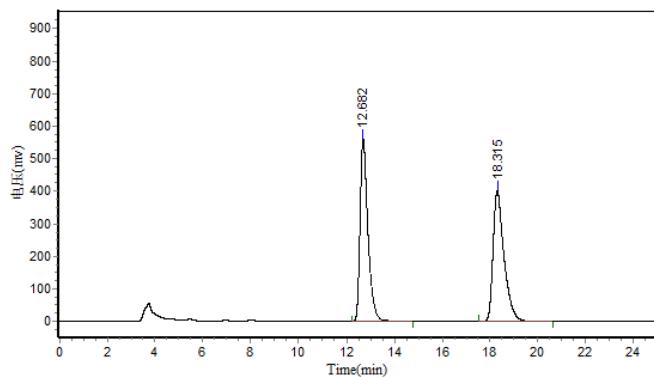
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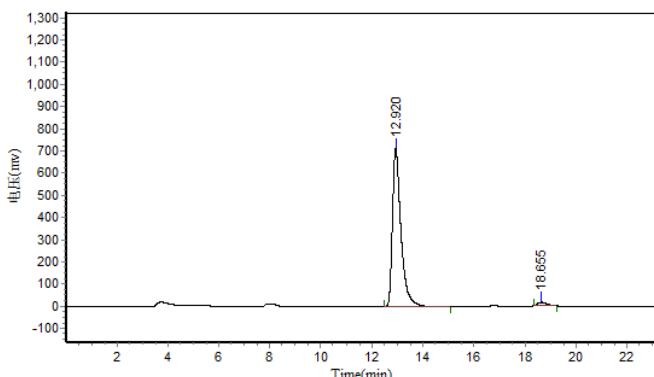
99% yield, colorless oil, 95% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.78 (dt, *J* = 7.1, 2.7 Hz, 2H), 7.68 (dt, *J* = 5.6, 3.5 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (t, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 5.06 (dd, *J* = 9.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (dd, *J* = 12.0, 5.4 Hz, 2H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 1.46 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.9, 167.7, 136.2, 134.0, 131.7, 129.2, 128.7, 123.4, 82.8, 54.3, 34.2, 27.9, 21.0. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₂H₂₃NNaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 388.1525, found 388.1517.

HPLC: Chiralpak AD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 12.9 min (major), 18.6 min.

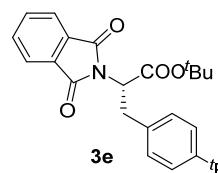


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1		12.682	556372.875	12857949.000	50.1231
2		18.315	401100.781	12794789.000	49.8769
Total			957473.656	25652738.000	100.0000



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Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		12.920	711555.188	16445455.000	97.4612
2		18.655	16265.929	428398.094	2.5388
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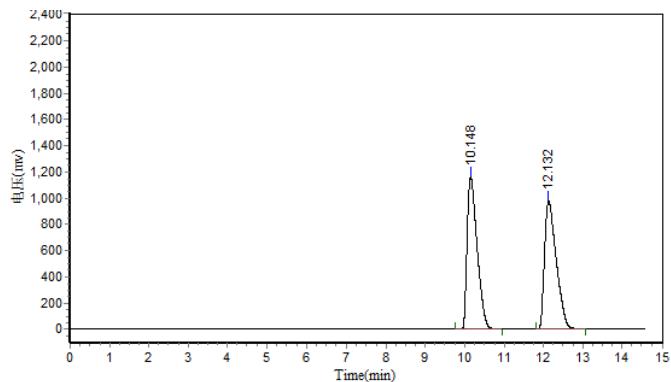
tert-butyl (S)-3-(4-(tert-butyl)phenyl)-2-(1,3-dioxoisindolin-2-yl)propanoate (3e)



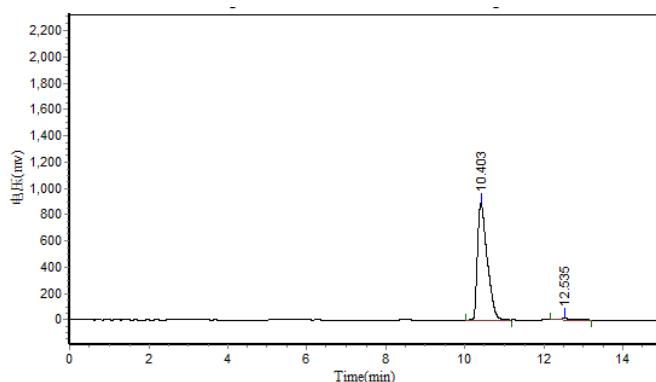
97% yield, colorless oil, 97% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.78 (dt, *J* = 7.5, 3.8 Hz, 2H), 7.74-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 5.09 (dd, *J* = 9.5, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (dd, *J* = 13.8, 10.7 Hz, 2H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.20 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 168.0, 167.8, 149.4, 134.0, 133.9, 131.8, 128.4, 125.4, 123.3, 82.7, 54.1, 34.4, 34.1, 31.3, 27.9. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₅H₂₉NNaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 430.1994, found 430.1990.

HPLC: Chiralpak AD-H column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5; flow = 1.0 mL/min; Retention time: 10.4 min (major), 12.5 min.

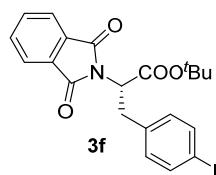


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Total			2138568.750	40975354.000	100.0000



Results					
Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		10.403	890699.813	15209188.000	98.5707
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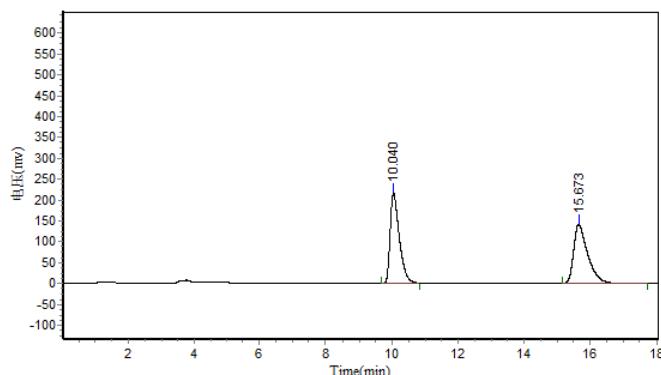
tert-butyl (S)-2-(1,3-dioxoisooindolin-2-yl)-3-(4-fluorophenyl)propanoate (3f)



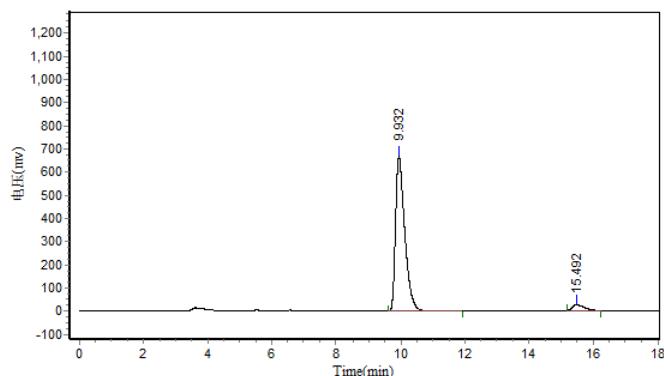
99% yield, colorless oil, 90% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.89-7.73 (m, 2H), 7.69 (dd, *J* = 6.2, 2.2 Hz, 2H), 7.18-6.99 (m, 2H), 6.86 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 5.03 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 6.7 Hz, 1H), 3.48 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 10.6 Hz, 2H), 1.43 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.7, 167.6, 161.3 (d, *J*_{CF} = 291 Hz), 134.1, 132.8, 131.6, 130.3 (d, *J*_{CF} = 11 Hz), 123.5, 115.4 (d, *J*_{CF} = 24 Hz), 82.9, 54.1, 33.9, 27.9. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₁H₂₀FNNaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 392.1274, found 392.1268.

HPLC: Chiralpak AD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 9.9 min (major), 15.5 min.

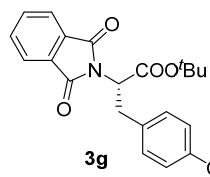


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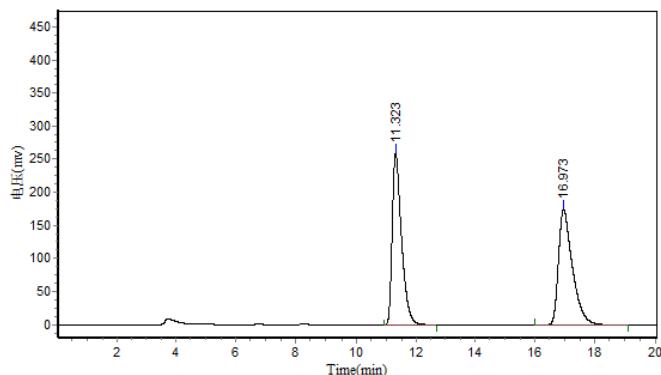


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1		9.932	667817.125	13328599.000	95.0847
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tert-butyl (S)-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(1,3-dioxoisindolin-2-yl)propanoate (3g)

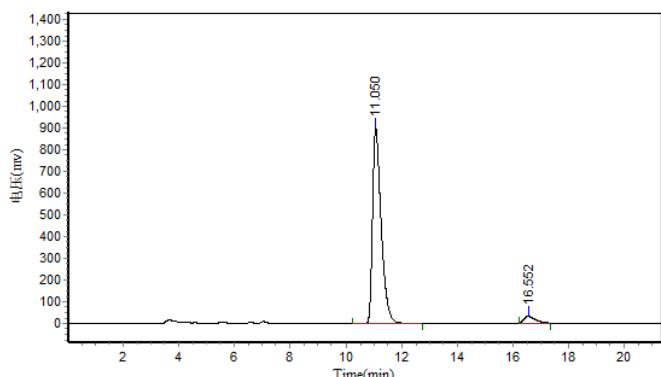

 93% yield, colorless oil, 91% ee.
¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.75 (s, 2H), 7.68 (s, 2H), 7.10 (dd, *J* = 17.5, 8.3 Hz, 4H), 5.08-4.92 (m, 1H), 3.48 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 1.42 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.7, 167.6, 135.7, 134.2, 132.6, 131.6, 130.2, 128.7, 123.5, 83.0, 53.9, 34.1, 27.9. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₁H₂₀ClNNaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 408.0979, found 408.0968.

HPLC: Chiralpak AD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 11.0 min (major), 16.5 min.



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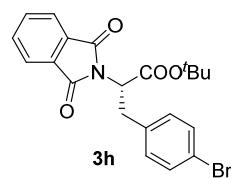
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2		16.973	174505.219	5663161.500	50.2477
Total			432943.609	11270481.000	100.0000



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Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
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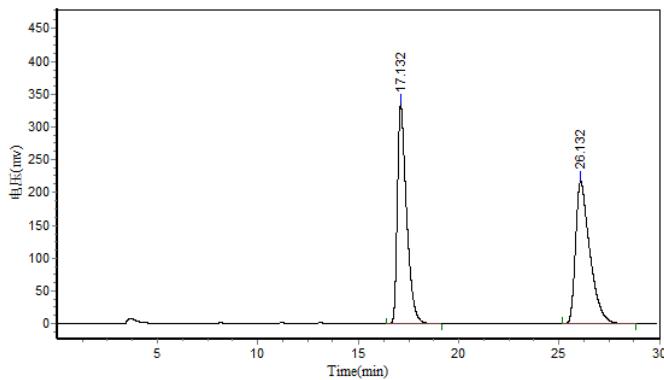
tert-butyl (S)-3-(4-bromophenyl)-2-(1,3-dioxoisindolin-2-yl)propanoate (3h)



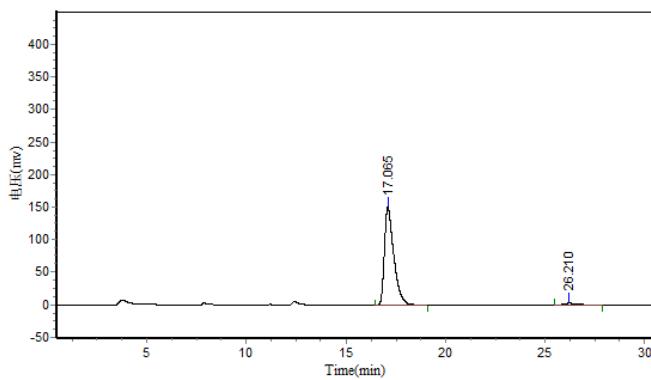
93% yield, colorless oil, 95% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.79 (dd, *J* = 5.2, 3.2 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (dd, *J* = 5.6, 3.0 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 5.04 (m, 1H), 3.50 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 1.45 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.7, 167.6, 136.2, 134.2, 131.7, 131.6, 130.6, 123.5, 120.7, 83.0, 53.8, 34.2, 27.9. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₁H₂₀BrNNaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 452.0473, found 452.0476.

HPLC: Chiralpak AD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 17.0 min (major), 26.2 min.

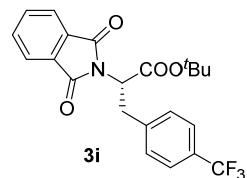


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2		26.132	217304.188	10793266.000	50.2367
Total			552156.875	21484823.000	100.0000



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Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		17.065	151024.797	4926689.500	97.4707
2		26.210	2631.797	127844.102	2.5293
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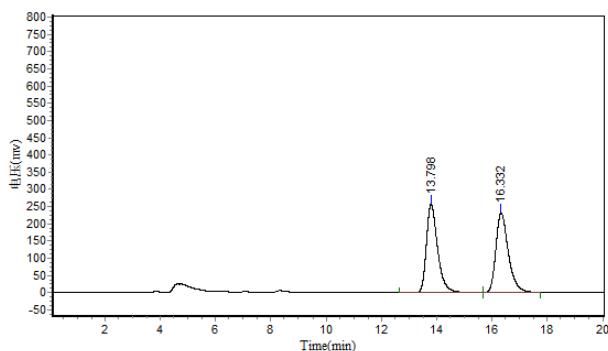
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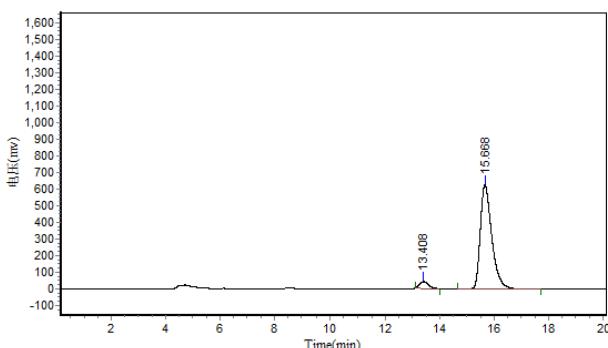
99% yield, colorless oil, 90% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.79 (dt, *J* = 7.1, 3.5 Hz, 2H), 7.74-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.44 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 5.10 (dd, *J* = 9.4, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.65-3.49 (m, 2H), 1.45 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.7, 167.5, 141.4, 134.2, 131.5, 129.2, 129.0 (q, *J_{CF}* = 32.5 Hz), 125.5 (q, *J_{CF}* = 4.2 Hz), 124.5 (q, *J_{CF}* = 270 Hz), 123.5, 83.2, 53.7, 34.6, 27.9. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₂H₂₀F₃NNaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 442.1242, found 442.1240.

HPLC: Chiralpak IC column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 13.4 min, 15.6 min (major).

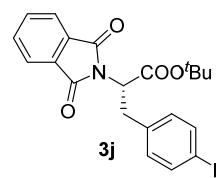


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Total			488004.875	14579668.000	100.0000



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Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		13.408	40447.207	942301.438	4.8922
2		15.668	624965.438	18319196.000	95.1078
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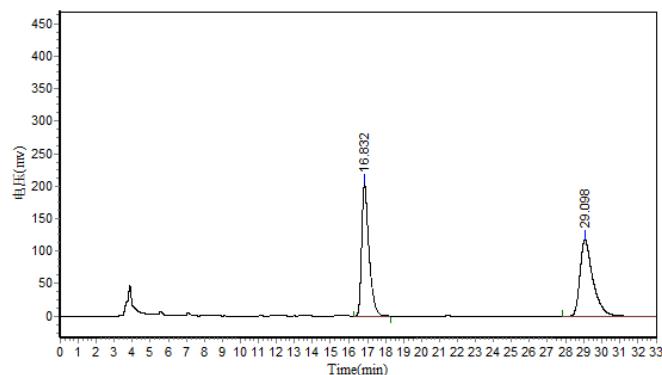
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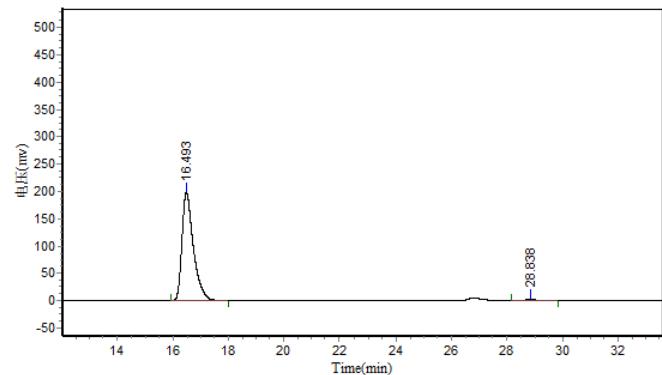
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HPLC: Chiralpak AD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 16.4 min (major), 28.8 min.



Results

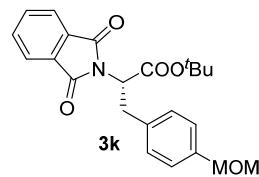
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1		16.832	202801.094	5771444.500	49.5610
2		29.098	117585.430	5873678.500	50.4390
Total			320386.523	11645123.000	100.0000



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Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		16.493	198489.250	5685311.000	98.3933
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Total			200668.415	5778146.102	100.0000

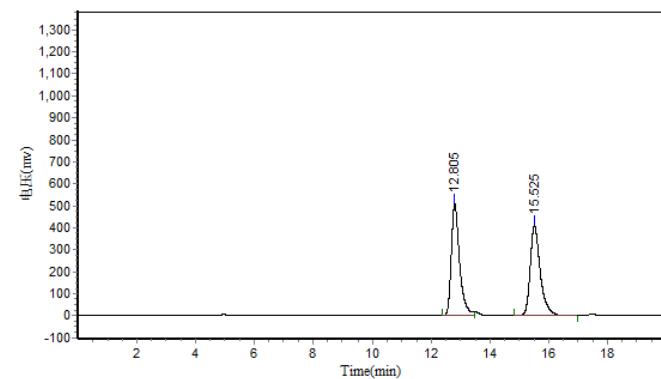
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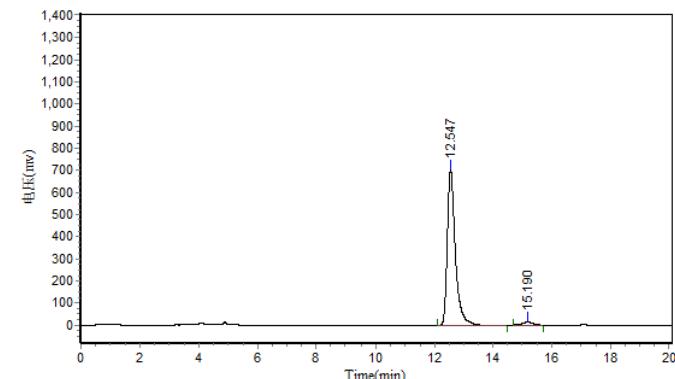
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HPLC: Chiralpak AD-H column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 90/10; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 12.5 min (major), 15.2 min.

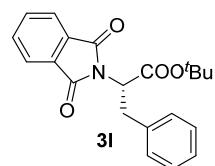


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Total			923561.003	20083975.375	100.0000



Results					
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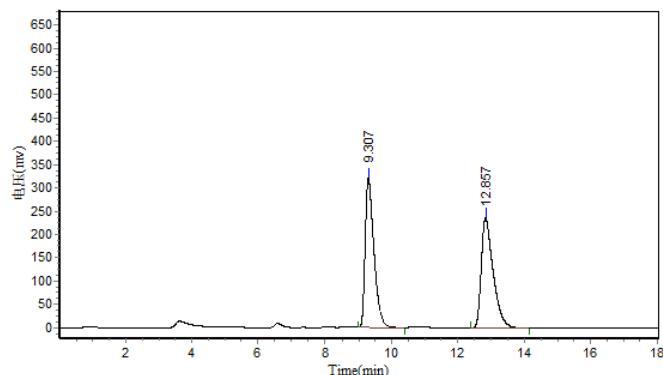
tert-butyl (S)-2-(1,3-dioxoisooindolin-2-yl)-3-phenylpropanoate (3l)



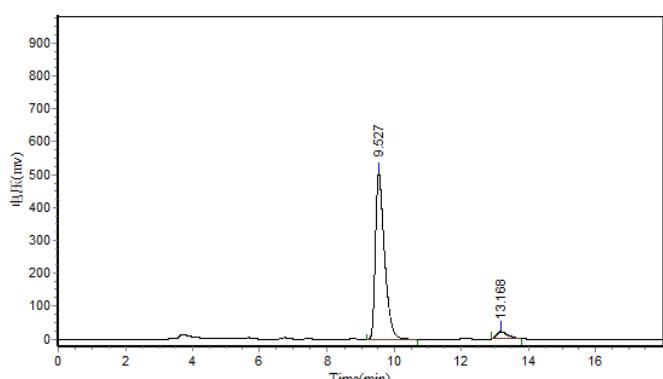
99% yield, colorless oil, 90% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77 (td, *J* = 5.3, 2.0 Hz, 2H), 7.71-7.63 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.05 (m, 5H), 5.08 (dd, *J* = 10.5, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 3.65-3.42 (m, 2H), 1.45 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.9, 167.7, 137.2, 134.0, 131.7, 128.8, 128.5, 126.7, 123.4, 82.8, 54.2, 34.7, 27.9. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₁H₂₁NNaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 374.1368, found 374.1363.

HPLC: Chiralpak AD-H column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 9.3 min (major), 12.9 min.

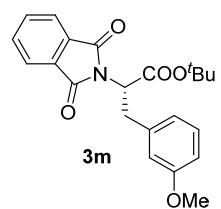


Results					
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1		9.307	319899.688	5950452.000	50.1580
2		12.857	236853.063	5912961.000	49.8420
Total			556752.750	11863413.000	100.0000



Results					
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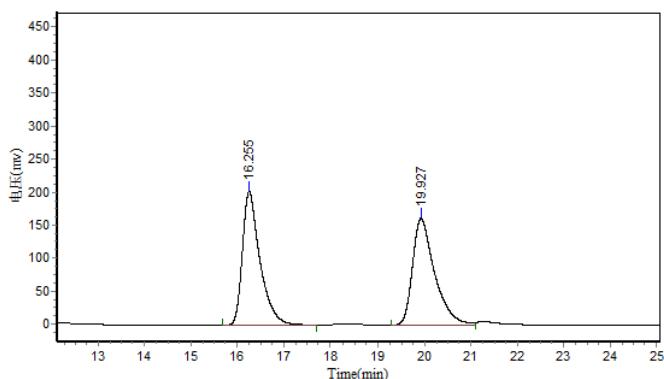
tert-butyl (S)-2-(1,3-dioxoisooindolin-2-yl)-3-(3-methoxyphenyl)propanoate (3m)



99% yield, colorless oil, 95% ee.

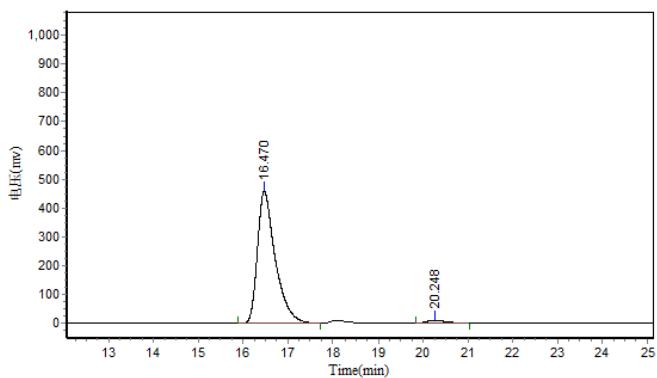
¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.82-7.75 (m, 2H), 7.74-7.64 (m, 2H), 7.10 (td, *J* = 8.2, 3.9 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.71-6.60 (m, 2H), 5.09 (dd, *J* = 10.1, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.53 (dd, *J* = 12.5, 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.46 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.8, 167.7, 159.6, 138.7, 134.0, 131.7, 129.5, 123.4, 121.2, 114.1, 112.6, 82.8, 55.1, 54.1, 34.7, 27.9. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₂H₂₃NNaO₅ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 404.1474, found 404.1471.

HPLC: Chiralpak AD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 16.4 min (major), 20.2 min.



Results

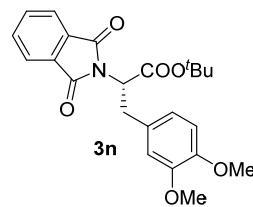
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2		19.927	161116.641	5316699.500	50.2203
Total			363091.703	10586753.000	100.0000



Results

Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		16.470	459042.000	12752050.000	97.5364
2		20.248	10552.647	322097.688	2.4636
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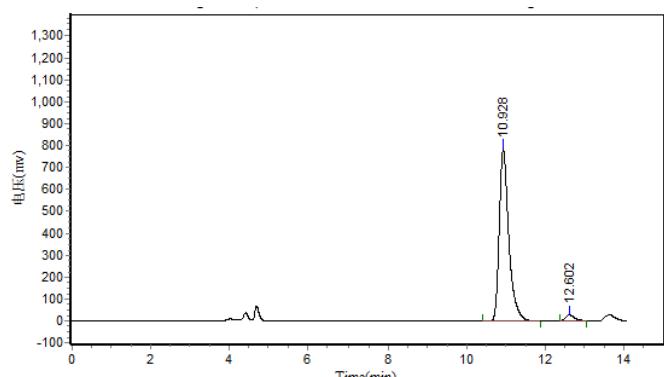
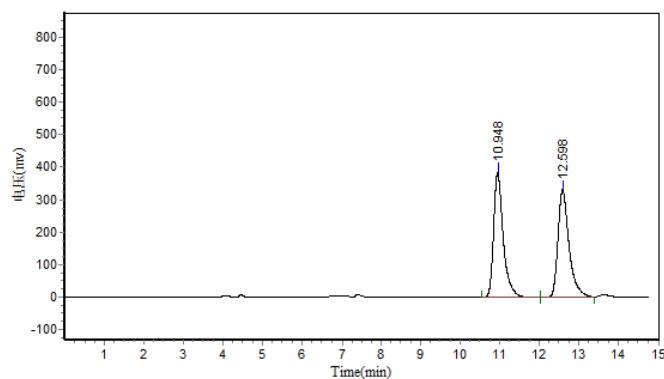
tert-butyl (S)-3-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-2-(1,3-dioxoisindolin-2-yl)propanoate (3n)



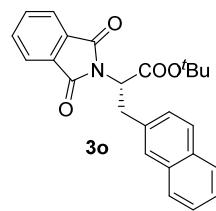
94% yield, colorless oil, 93% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77 (dd, J = 5.6, 3.0 Hz, 2H), 7.69-7.65 (m, 2H), 6.70 (dd, J = 6.4, 4.7 Hz, 2H), 6.64 (t, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (dd, J = 9.7, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.50-3.42 (m, 2H), 1.46 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.9, 167.7, 148.7, 147.6, 134.0, 131.7, 129.5, 123.4, 120.9, 111.7, 111.1, 82.8, 55.7, 55.7, 54.1, 34.2, 27.9. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₃H₂₅NNaO₆ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 434.1580, found 434.1575.

HPLC: Chiralpak AD-H column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 80/20; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 10.9 min (major), 12.6 min.



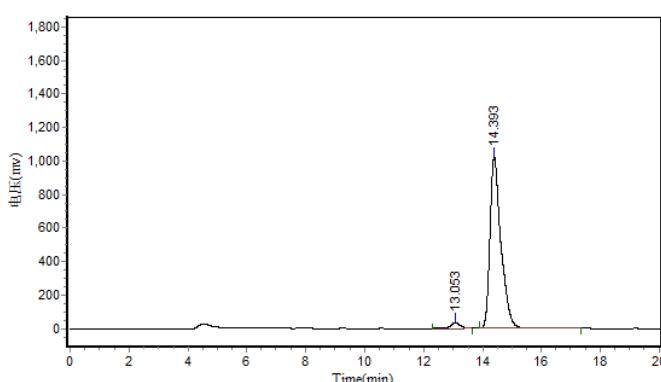
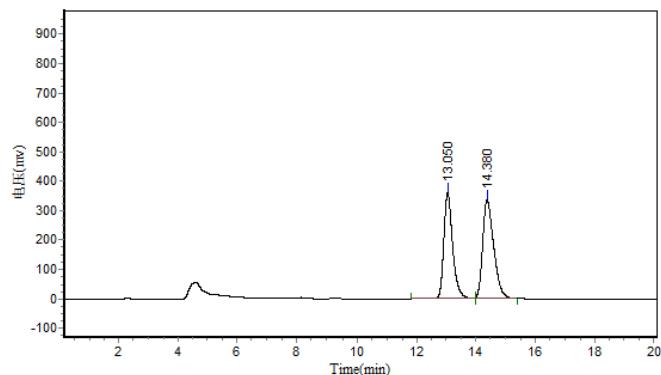
tert-butyl (S)-2-(1,3-dioxoisindolin-2-yl)-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)propanoate (3o)



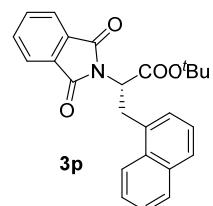
91% yield, colorless oil, 94% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.78-7.66 (m, 6H), 7.61 (dt, J = 5.2, 3.0 Hz, 2H), 7.43-7.31 (m, 3H), 5.34-5.19 (m, 1H), 3.76 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 1.49 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.9, 167.8, 134.7, 134.0, 133.5, 132.4, 131.7, 128.3, 127.7, 127.6, 127.5, 126.9, 126.0, 125.5, 123.4, 82.9, 54.1, 34.9, 28.0. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₅H₂₃NNaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 424.1525, found 424.1517.

HPLC: Chiralpak IC column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 13.0 min, 14.4 min (major).



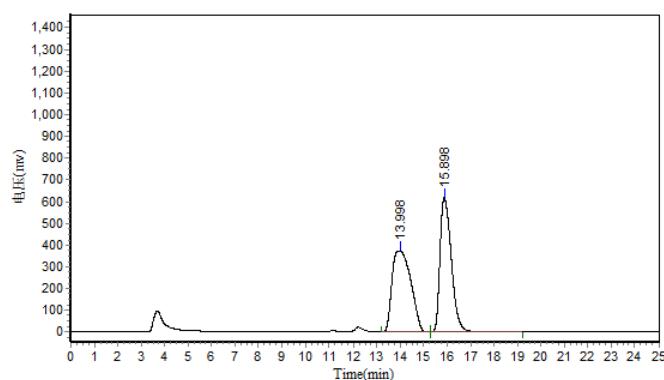
tert-butyl (S)-2-(1,3-dioxoisooindolin-2-yl)-3-(naphthalen-1-yl)propanoate (3p)



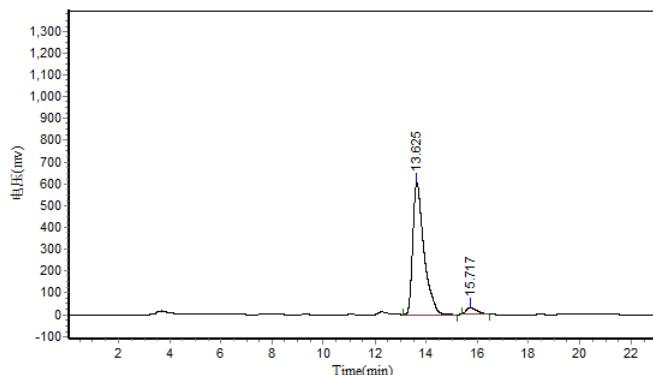
99% yield, colorless oil, 91% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.11 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (dd, *J* = 5.3, 3.3 Hz, 2H), 7.70-7.62 (m, 3H), 7.50 (dt, *J* = 22.7, 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.30-7.19 (m, 2H), 5.25 (dd, *J* = 11.2, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.19-4.05 (m, 1H), 3.97-3.80 (m, 1H), 1.49 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.9, 167.6, 134.0, 133.8, 133.3, 131.8, 131.7, 128.9, 127.7, 127.1, 126.3, 125.7, 125.2, 123.3, 123.2, 82.9, 53.6, 31.8, 28.0. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₅H₂₃NNaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 424.1525, found 424.1517.

HPLC: Chiralpak AD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 13.8 min (major), 15.7 min.

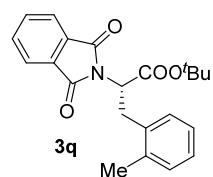


Results					
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1		13.998	369473.781	20723822.000	50.0604
2		15.898	615535.188	20673784.000	49.9396
Total			985008.969	41397606.000	100.0000



Results					
Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		13.625	605989.250	18266516.000	95.5858
2		15.717	30078.732	843564.313	4.4142
Total			636067.982	19110080.313	100.0000

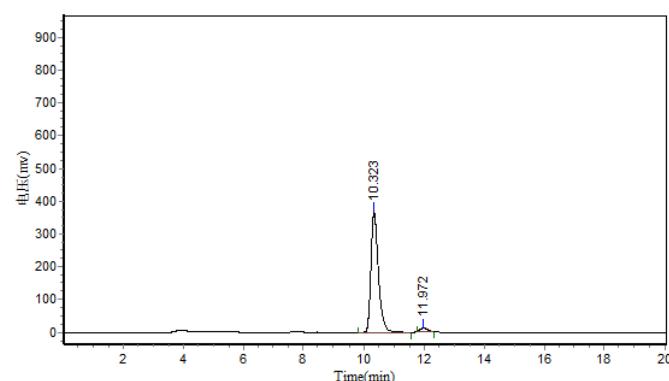
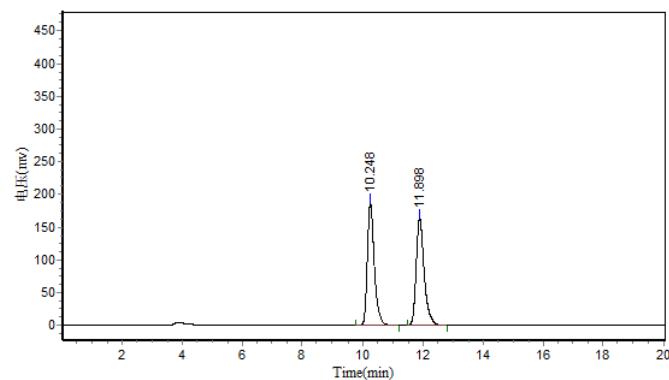
tert-butyl (S)-2-(1,3-dioxoisooindolin-2-yl)-3-(o-tolyl)propanoate (3q)



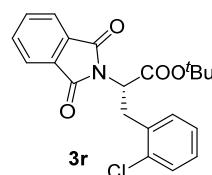
99% yield, colorless oil, 94% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.88-7.75 (m, 2H), 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.19-6.84 (m, 4H), 5.09 (dd, *J* = 11.0, 5.1 Hz, 1H), 3.68-3.34 (m, 2H), 2.39 (s, 3H), 1.47 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 168.0, 167.7, 136.6, 135.2, 134.0, 131.7, 130.5, 129.6, 126.9, 125.9, 123.4, 82.8, 52.5, 32.3, 27.9, 19.3. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₂H₂₃NNaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 388.1525, found 388.1520.

HPLC: Chiralpak AD-H column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 10.3 min (major), 11.9 min.



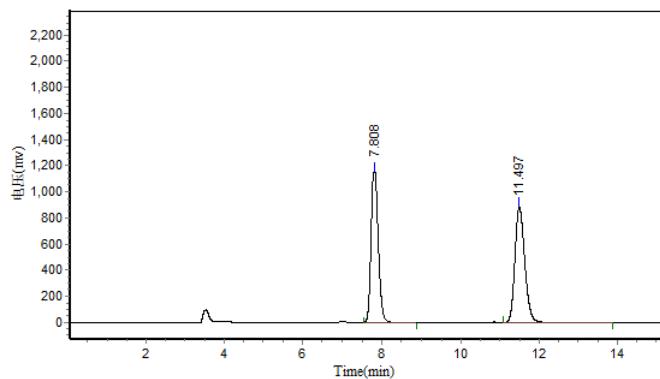
tert-butyl (S)-3-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-(1,3-dioxoisindolin-2-yl)propanoate (3r)



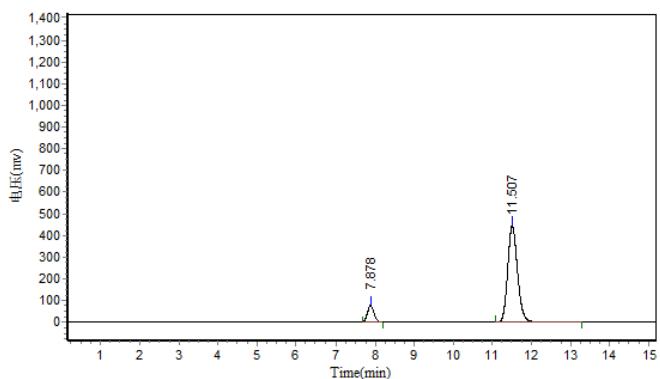
63% yield, colorless oil, 79% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.78 (dt, *J* = 6.9, 3.5 Hz, 2H), 7.73-7.55 (m, 2H), 7.29 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 6.2 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dt, *J* = 14.6, 7.6 Hz, 3H), 5.23 (dd, *J* = 11.3, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (dd, *J* = 14.2, 4.7 Hz, 1H), 3.55 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 11.4 Hz, 1H), 1.46 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.6, 167.5, 135.0, 134.4, 134.0, 131.7, 131.3, 129.6, 128.4, 126.8, 123.4, 82.9, 52.2, 33.0, 27.9. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₁H₂₀ClNNaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 408.0979, found 408.0974.

HPLC: Chiralcel OD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 90/10; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 7.8 min, 11.5 min (major).

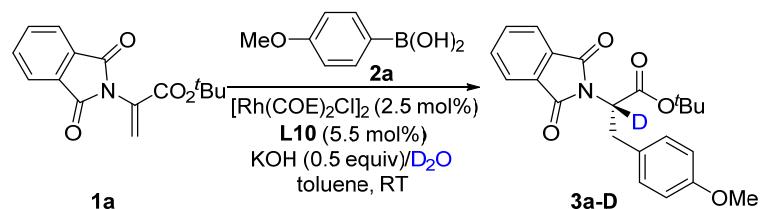


Results					
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1		7.808	1153082.875	14955612.000	49.1913
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Total			2039049.000	30402940.000	100.0000

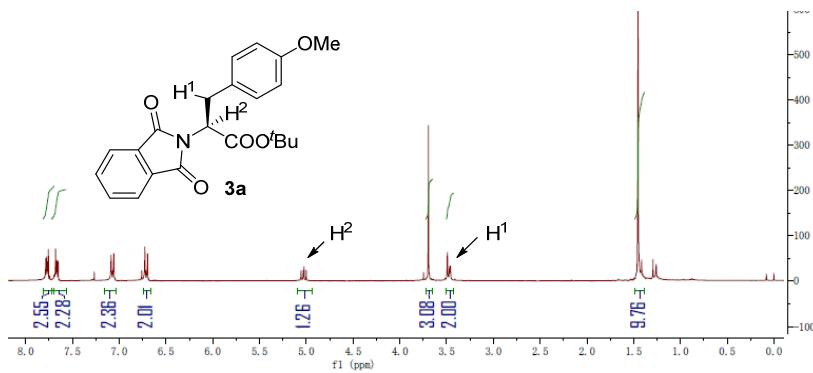
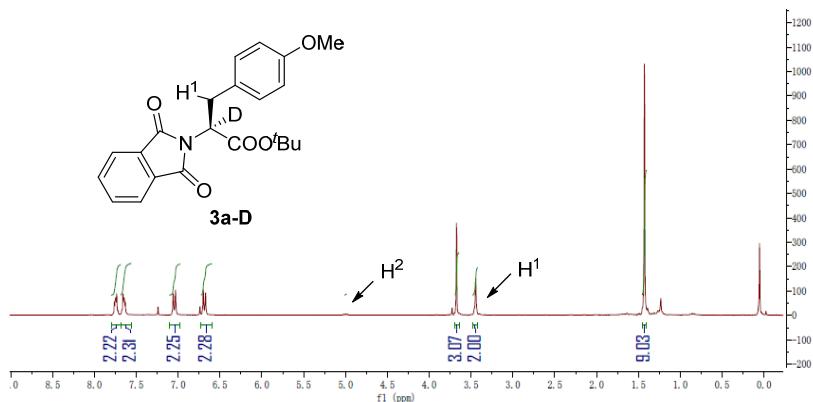


Results					
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1		7.878	76719.398	910756.313	10.5258
2		11.507	443128.281	7741860.000	89.4742
Total			519847.680	8652616.313	100.0000

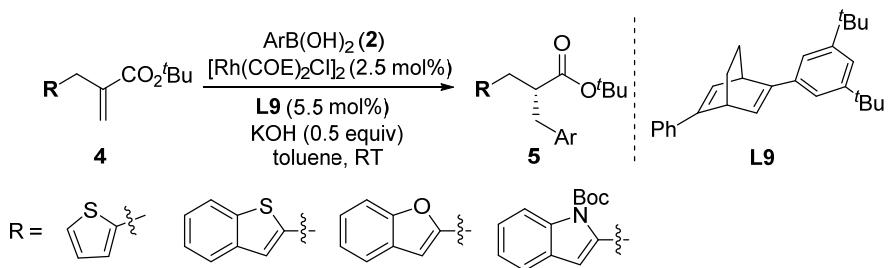
4. Deuterium labeling experiment of phenylalanine product 3



Under Ar atmosphere, a solution of α -phthalylimide *tert*-butyl acrylate **1a** (0.1 mmol), 4-methoxy arylboronic acid **2a** (0.3 mmol), $[\text{Rh}(\text{COE})_2\text{Cl}]_2$ (1.8 mg, 0.005 mmol of Rh), **L10** (2.2 mg, 0.0055 mmol) in 1.0 mL of anhydrous toluene was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. To this mixture was added aqueous KOH in D_2O (0.05 mL, 1.0 M, 0.05 mmol). After reaction for another 12 hours, a saturated aq. NH_4Cl was added and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (10 mL \times 3). The combined organic phase was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel flash chromatography, eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc (20%-30% EtOAc), to afford the corresponding products **3a-D**.



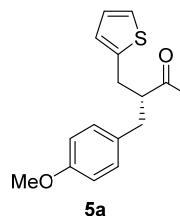
5. General procedure for Rh-catalyzed asymmetric 1,4-addition/asymmetric protonation of acrylate substrates **4**



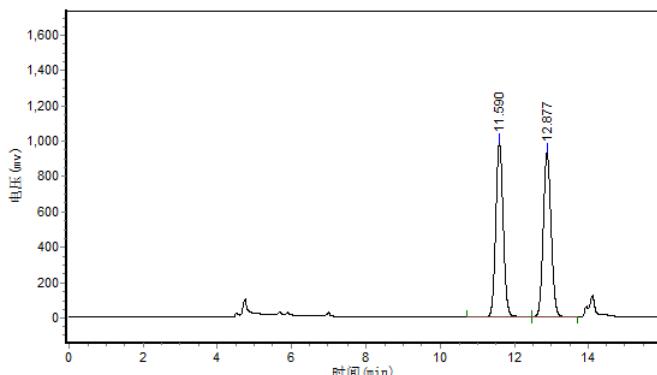
Under Ar atmosphere, a solution of acrylate **4** (0.1 mmol), arylboronic acid **2** (0.3 mmol), $[\text{Rh}(\text{COE})_2\text{Cl}]_2$ (1.8 mg, 0.005 mmol of Rh), **L9** (2.2 mg, 0.0055 mmol) in 1.0 mL of anhydrous toluene was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. To this mixture was added KOH (0.05 mL, 1.0 M, 0.05 mmol). After reaction for another 12 hours, a saturated aq. NH_4Cl was added and the mixture was extracted with EtOAc (10 mL \times 3). The combined organic phase was dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and concentrated. The residue was purified by silica gel flash chromatography, eluting with petroleum ether/EtOAc (1%-5% EtOAc), to afford the corresponding products **5**.

6. Characterization data and HPLC of products 5

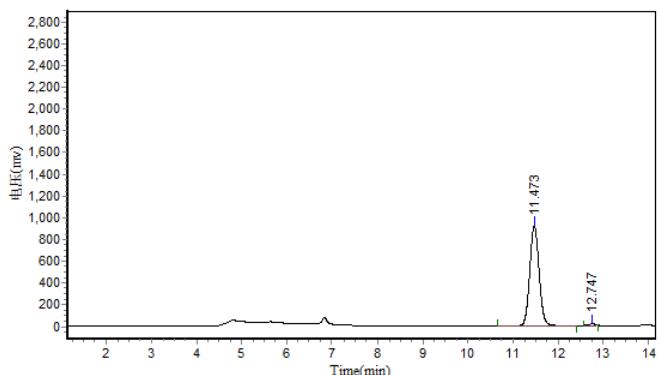
tert-butyl (R)-2-(4-methoxybenzyl)-3-(thiophen-2-yl)propanoate (5a)


 98% yield, light yellow oil, 98% ee.
¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.09 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H), 6.95-6.84 (m, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.11 (dd, *J* = 14.7, 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.92 (dd, *J* = 20.1, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (t, *J* = 12.5 Hz, 2H), 2.79-2.64 (m, 1H), 1.26 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.4, 157.7, 141.3, 130.6, 129.6, 126.1, 125.1, 123.2, 113.3, 80.1, 54.8, 50.1, 37.0, 31.7, 27.5. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₉H₂₄NaO₃S [M+Na]⁺: calcd 355.1344, found 355.1337.

HPLC: Chiralcel OD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99/1; flow = 1.0 mL/min; Retention time: 11.5 min (major), 12.7 min.

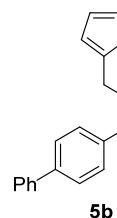


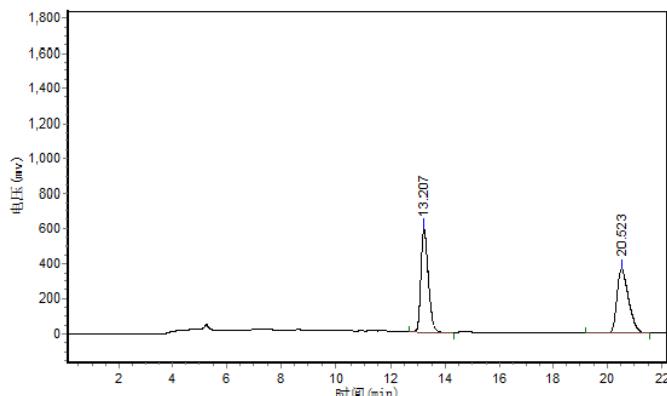
分析结果表					
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1		11.590	982080.438	13716245.000	50.0199
2		12.877	924450.875	13705355.000	49.9801
总计			1906531.313	27421600.000	100.0000



Results					
Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		11.473	918679.250	13294426.000	99.0423
2		12.747	12062.463	128549.570	0.9577
Total			930741.713	13422975.570	100.0000

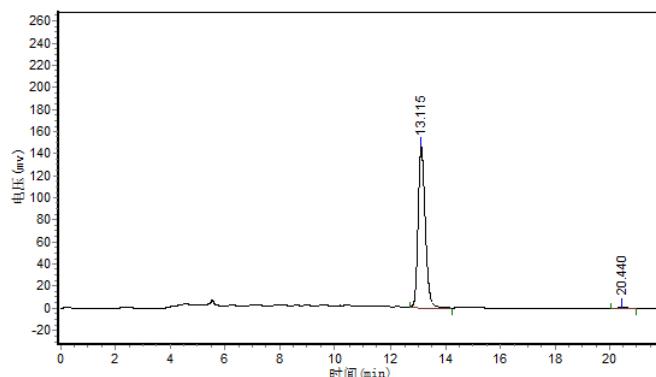
tert-butyl (R)-3-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-2-(thiophen-2-ylmethyl)propanoate (5b)


95% yield, light yellow oil, 97% ee.
 ^1H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.59 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.44 (t, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 7.35 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.27 (d, $J = 5.6$ Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, $J = 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.92 (m, 1H), 6.84 (m, 1H), 3.28-3.11 (m, 1H), 2.96 (m, 4H), 1.28 (s, 9H). ^{13}C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 173.3, 141.2, 140.5, 138.8, 137.6, 129.0, 128.3, 126.7, 126.6, 126.5, 126.2, 125.2, 123.3, 80.2, 49.8, 37.4, 31.8, 27.4. HRMS (ESI) for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{26}\text{NaO}_2\text{S}$ [$\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$: calcd 401.1551, found 401.1547.
HPLC: Chiralcel OD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99/1; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 13.1 min (major), 20.4 min.



分析结果表

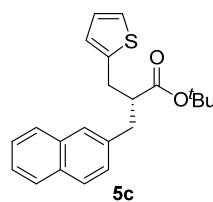
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1		13.207	584342.875	11334915.000	50.0465
2		20.523	370854.719	11313871.000	49.9535
总计			955197.594	22648786.000	100.0000



分析结果表

峰号	峰名	保留时间	峰高	峰面积	含量
1		13.115	144669.875	2628346.750	98.4602
2		20.440	1685.299	41104.602	1.5398
总计			146255.174	2669451.352	100.0000

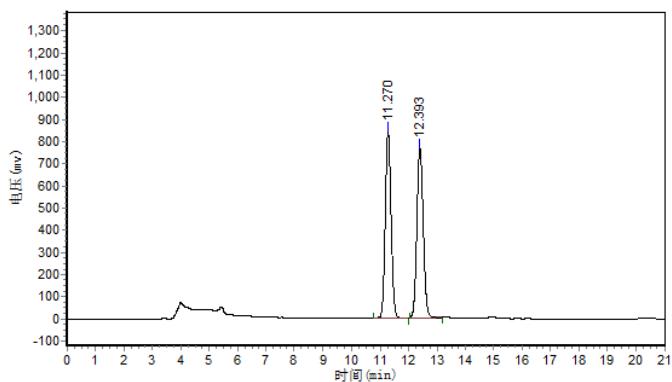
tert-butyl (R)-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)-2-(thiophen-2-ylmethyl)propanoate (5c)



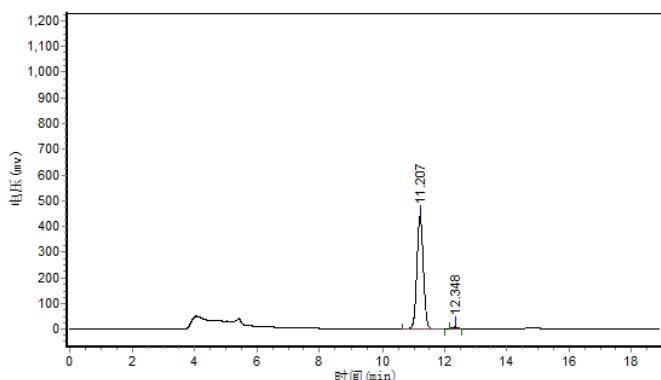
98% yield, light yellow oil, 98% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77 (t, *J* = 9.4 Hz, 3H), 7.62 (s, 1H), 7.46-7.37 (m, 2H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 6.93-6.86 (m, 1H), 6.82 (s, 1H), 3.25-3.08 (m, 2H), 3.07-2.90 (m, 3H), 1.23 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.3, 141.2, 136.1, 133.0, 131.8, 127.5, 127.2, 127.0, 126.2, 125.5, 125.2, 124.9, 123.3, 80.2, 49.8, 37.9, 31.8, 27.4. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₂H₂₄NaO₂S [M+Na]⁺: calcd 375.1395, found 375.1392.

HPLC: Chiralcel OD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 254 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99/1; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 11.2 min (major), 12.3 min.

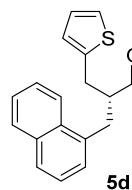


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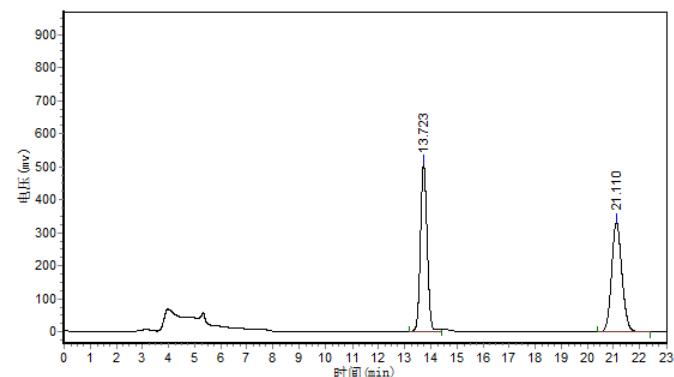


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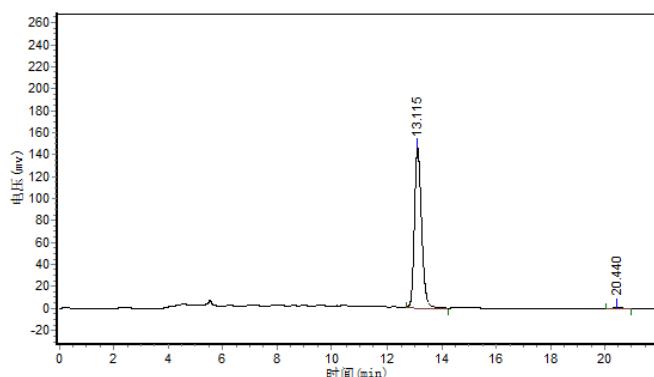
tert-butyl (R)-3-(naphthalen-1-yl)-2-(thiophen-2-ylmethyl)propanoate (5d)


 98% yield, light yellow oil, 97% ee.
5d ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.95 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 6.1 Hz, 2H), 7.44-7.32 (m, 2H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 6.97-6.89 (m, 1H), 6.85 (s, 1H), 3.41 (dd, *J* = 13.9, 8.3 Hz, 1H), 3.29 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 5.4 Hz, 2H), 3.18-3.00 (m, 2H), 1.23 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.4, 141.2, 134.6, 133.4, 131.4, 128.3, 126.8, 126.7, 126.2, 125.5, 125.3, 125.0, 124.8, 123.3, 123.2, 80.1, 49.0, 34.9, 32.1, 27.4. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₂H₂₄NaO₂S [M+Na]⁺: calcd 375.1395, found 375.1392.

HPLC: Chiralcel OD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99/1; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 13.1 min (major), 20.4 min.

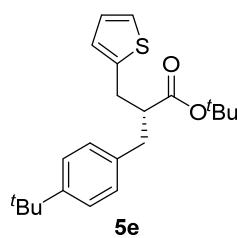


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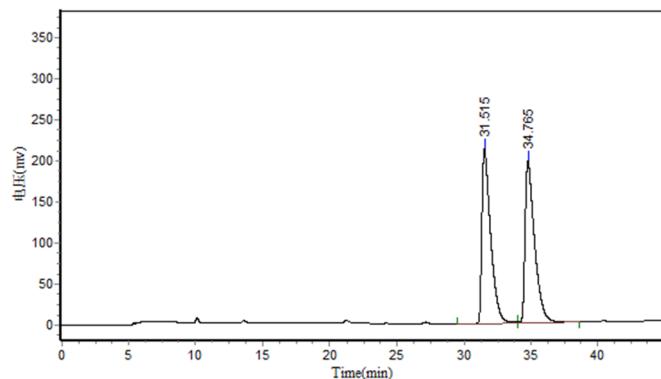
tert-butyl (R)-2-(4-(tert-butyl)benzyl)-3-(thiophen-2-yl)propanoate (5e)



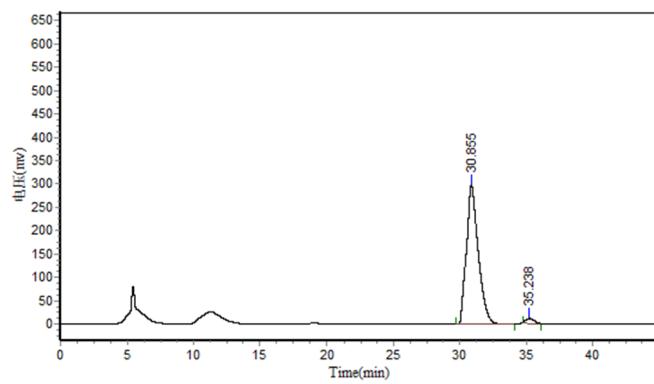
95% yield, light yellow oil, 96% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.27 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.16-7.06 (m, 3H), 6.91-6.84 (m, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.21-3.05 (m, 1H), 3.00-2.83 (m, 3H), 2.83-2.69 (m, 1H), 1.29 (s, 9H), 1.24 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.4, 148.7, 141.4, 135.4, 128.3, 126.1, 125.1, 124.7, 123.1, 80.0, 49.8, 37.4, 33.9, 31.7, 30.9, 27.4. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₂H₃₀NaO₂S [M+Na]⁺: calcd 381.1864, found 381.1857.

HPLC: Chiralcel OD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99.5/0.5; flow = 0.5 mL/min; Retention time: 30.85 min (major), 35.24 min.

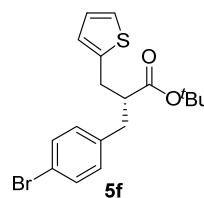


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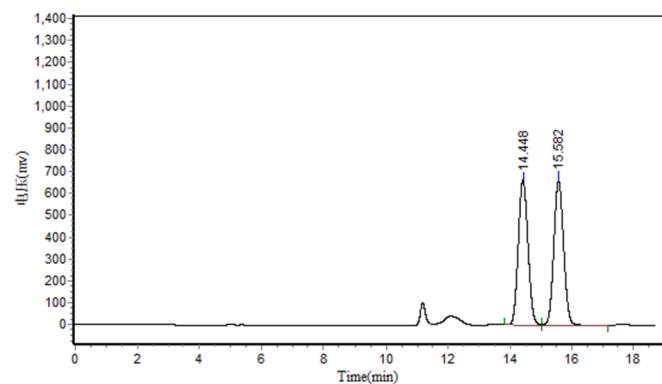


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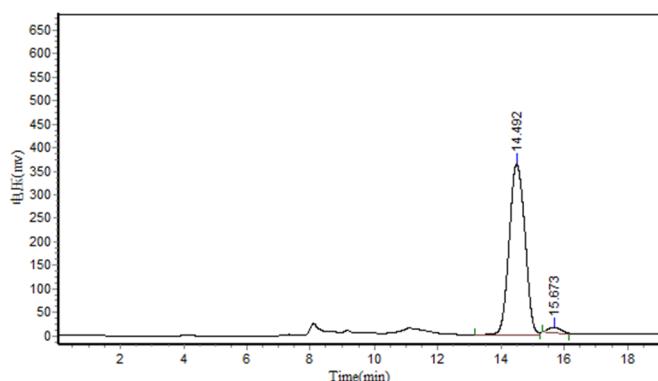
tert-butyl (R)-2-(4-bromobenzyl)-3-(thiophen-2-yl)propanoate (5f)


 95% yield, light yellow oil, 96% ee.
¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.39 (t, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.98-6.86 (m, 1H), 6.82 (s, 1H), 3.16 (dd, *J* = 14.5, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.04-2.91 (m, 1H), 2.85 (dd, *J* = 15.6, 8.1 Hz, 2H), 2.80-2.70 (m, 1H), 1.28 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.0, 140.9, 137.6, 130.9, 130.3, 126.2, 125.3, 123.4, 119.7, 80.3, 49.7, 37.0, 31.9, 27.5. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₈H₂₁BrNaO₂S [M+Na]⁺: calcd 403.0343, found 403.0334.

HPLC: Chiralcel OD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99.5/0.5; flow = 0.5 mL/min; Retention time: 14.49 min (major), 15.69 min.

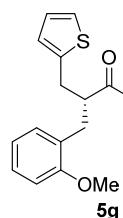


Results					
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Results					
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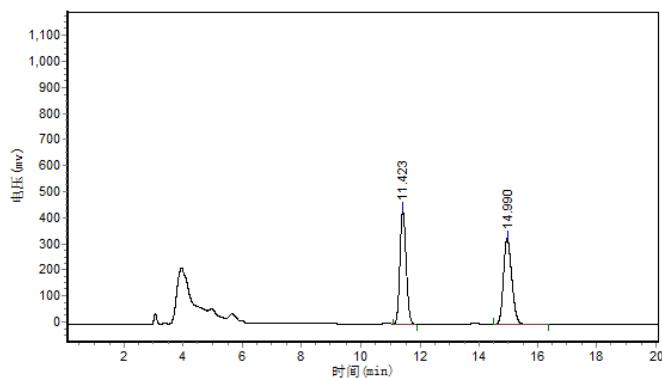
tert-butyl (R)-2-(2-methoxybenzyl)-3-(thiophen-2-yl)propanoate (5g)



98% yield, light yellow oil, 96% ee.

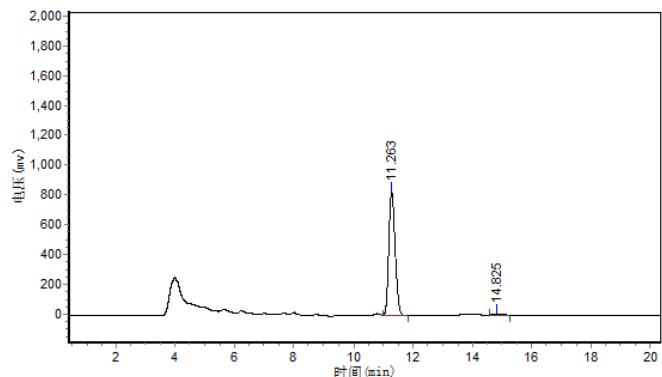
¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.19 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.15-7.09 (m, 2H), 6.94-6.76 (m, 4H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.17 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 3.09-2.95 (m, 2H), 2.94-2.78 (m, 2H), 1.24 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.7, 157.2, 141.7, 130.4, 127.2, 126.9, 126.0, 124.9, 123.0, 119.6, 109.7, 79.7, 54.7, 47.7, 33.0, 32.0, 27.4. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₉H₂₄NaO₃S [M+Na]⁺: calcd 355.1344, found 355.1337.

HPLC: Chiralcel OD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 93/7; flow = 0.6 mL/min; Retention time: 11.2 min (major), 14.8 min.



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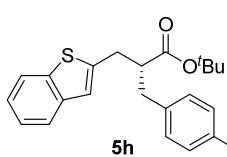
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分析结果表

峰号	峰名	保留时间	峰高	峰面积	含量
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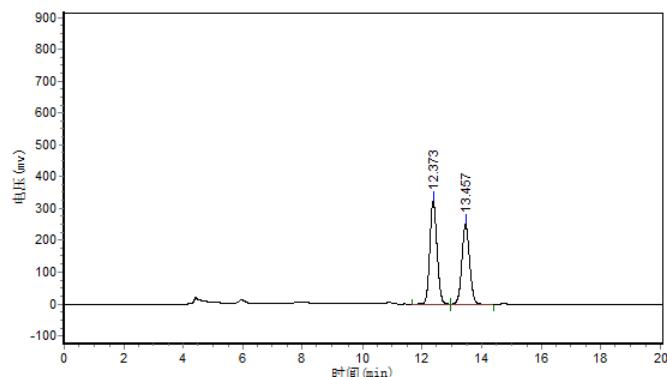
tert-butyl (R)-3-(benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl)-2-(4-methoxybenzyl)propanoate (5h)



99% yield, light yellow oil, 98% ee.

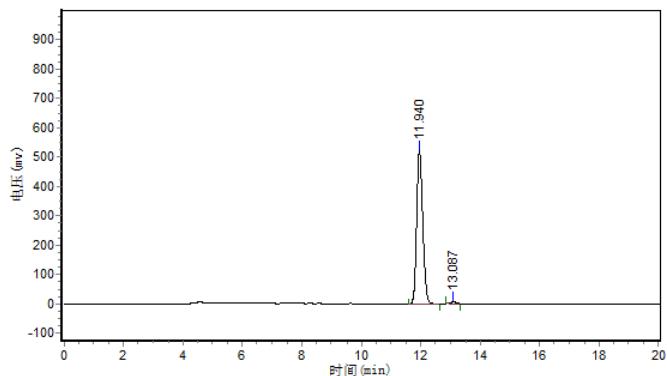
¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (s, 1H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.23 (dd, *J* = 14.4, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.10-2.87 (m, 3H), 2.82 (t, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 1.29 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.3, 157.8, 142.6, 139.6, 139.2, 130.5, 129.7, 123.7, 123.2, 122.4, 121.8, 121.7, 113.3, 80.3, 54.8, 49.5, 37.0, 32.5, 27.5. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₃H₂₆NaO₃S [M+Na]⁺: calcd 405.1500, found 405.1506.

HPLC: Chiralcel OD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 254 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99/1; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 11.9 min (major), 13.0 min.



分析结果表

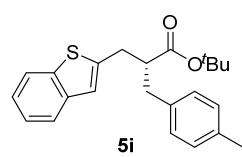
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总计			575027.969	10064253.000	100.0000



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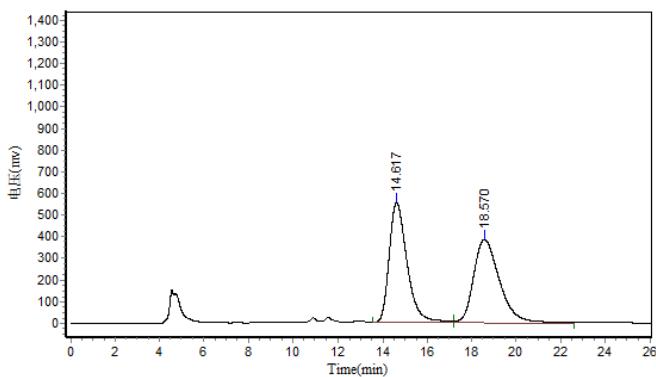
tert-butyl (R)-3-(benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl)-2-(4-methylbenzyl)propanoate (5i)



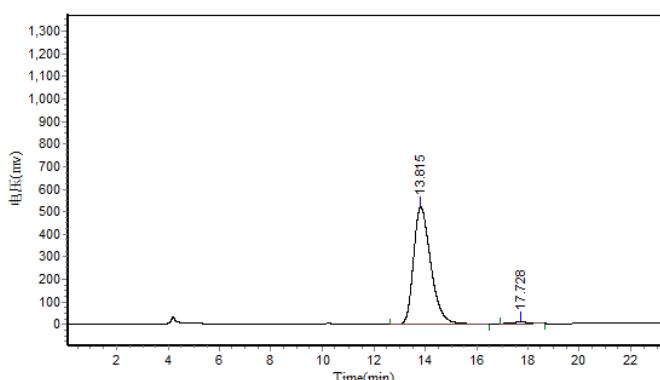
98% yield, light yellow oil, 97% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.71-7.60 (m, 1H), 7.37-7.27 (m, 2H), 7.10 (m, 4H), 7.04 (s, 1H), 3.22 (dd, *J* = 14.2, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.07-2.87 (m, 3H), 2.83 (t, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 1.29 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.7, 143.0, 139.9, 139.5, 135.9, 135.6, 129.0, 128.9, 124.0, 123.6, 122.8, 122.1, 122.0, 80.7, 49.7, 37.8, 32.8, 27.9, 21.0. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₃H₂₆NaO₂S [M+Na]⁺: calcd 389.1551, found 389.1549.

HPLC: Chiralcel OJ-H column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99/1; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 13.8 min (major), 17.7 min.

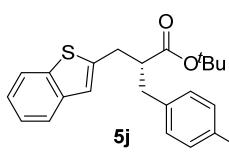


Results					
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Total			941600.094	62507550.000	100.0000



Results					
Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
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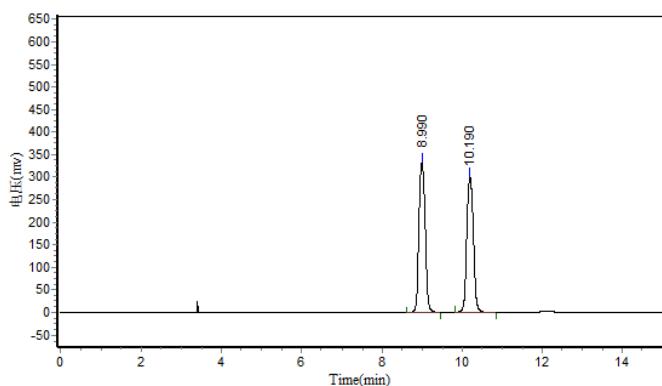
tert-butyl (R)-3-(benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl)-2-(4-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl)propanoate (5j)



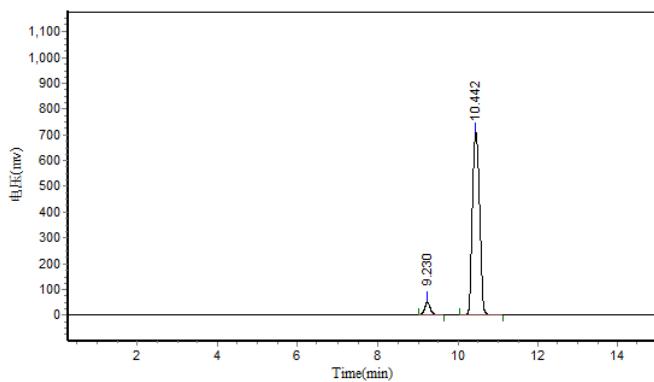
96% yield, light yellow oil, 90% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.79 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.71-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.41-7.24 (m, 4H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 3.34-3.17 (m, 1H), 3.12-2.88 (m, 4H), 1.26 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.1, 143.0, 142.3, 139.9, 139.5, 129.4, 128.9 (q, *J*_{CF} = 32.5 Hz), 125.2 (q, *J*_{CF} = 3.8 Hz), 124.2, 123.8, 123.2 (q, *J*_{CF} = 292 Hz), 122.9, 122.5, 122.2, 81.1, 49.4, 37.8, 33.2, 27.8. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₃H₂₃F₃NaO₂S [M+Na]⁺: calcd 443.1269, found 443.1265.

HPLC: Chiralpak AD-H column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 95/5; flow = 1.0 mL/min; Retention time: 12.6 min (major), 14.3 min.

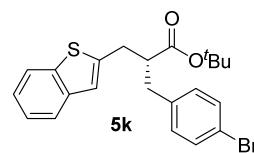


Results					
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Total			629919.656	7048865.750	100.0000



Results					
Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		9.230	50512.469	510753.188	5.4094
2		10.442	707657.625	8931227.000	94.5906
Total			758170.094	9441980.188	100.0000

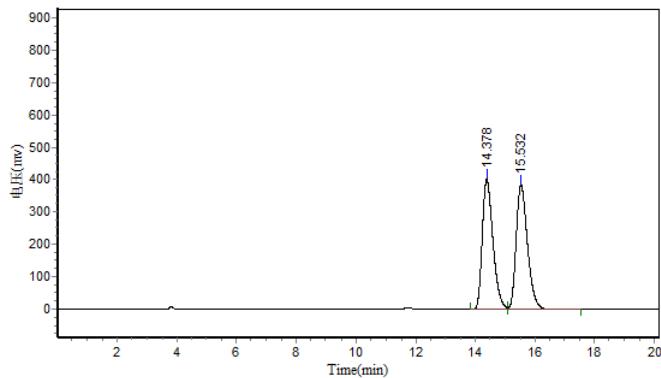
tert-butyl (R)-3-(benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl)-2-(4-bromobenzyl)propanoate (5k)



93% yield, light yellow oil, 95% ee.

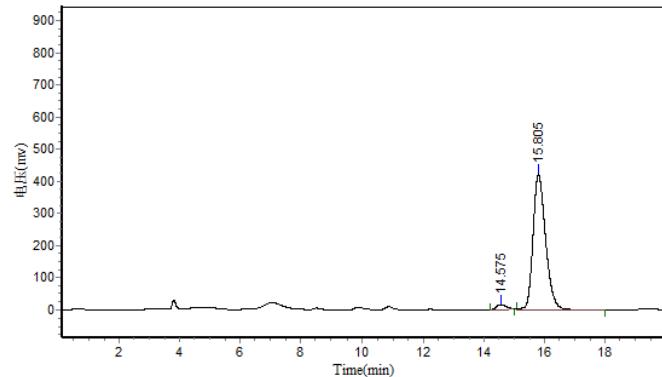
¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (dd, *J* = 14.6, 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.17-6.97 (m, 3H), 3.31-3.16 (m, 1H), 3.09-2.70 (m, 4H), 1.28 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 172.9, 142.1, 139.5, 139.1, 137.5, 131.0, 130.4, 123.8, 123.3, 122.5, 121.9, 121.7, 119.9, 80.6, 49.1, 37.04 32.6, 27.5. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₂H₂₃BrNaO₂S [M+Na]⁺: calcd 453.0500, found 453.0496.

HPLC: Chiralpak AD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 254 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99/1; flow = 1.0 mL/min; Retention time: 14.5 min, 15.8 min (major).



Results

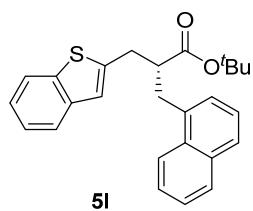
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Total			786925.781	20263741.000	100.0000



Results

Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
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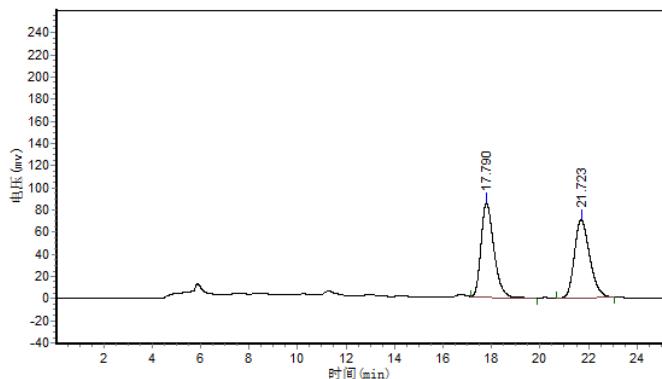
tert-butyl (R)-3-(benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl)-2-(naphthalen-1-ylmethyl)propanoate (5l)



91% yield, light yellow oil, 96% ee.

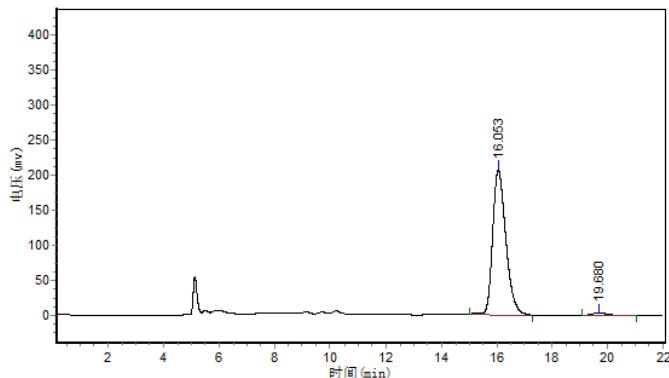
¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.99 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57-7.43 (m, 2H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (dd, *J* = 14.6, 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (s, 1H), 3.44 (dt, *J* = 17.0, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 3.38-3.25 (m, 2H), 3.25-3.01 (m, 2H), 1.23 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.4, 142.4, 139.5, 139.2, 134.5, 133.5, 131.5, 128.4, 127.0, 126.9, 125.6, 125.1, 124.9, 123.7, 123.3, 123.2, 122.5, 121.9, 121.7, 80.4, 48.5, 35.1, 33.0, 27.4. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₆H₂₆NaO₂S [M+Na]⁺: calcd 425.1551, found 425.1546.

HPLC: Chiralcel OD-H column (250 mm); detected at 254 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99/1; flow = 0.6 mL/min; Retention time: 16.0 min (major), 19.7 min.



分析结果表

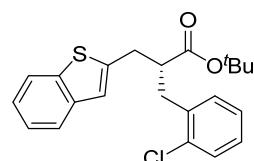
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总计			155965.492	6330450.500	100.0000



分析结果表

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1		16.053	205568.563	6829581.000	98.0486
2		19.680	3326.109	135923.453	1.9514
总计			208894.672	6965504.453	100.0000

tert-butyl (R)-3-(benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl)-2-(2-chlorobenzyl)propanoate (5m)

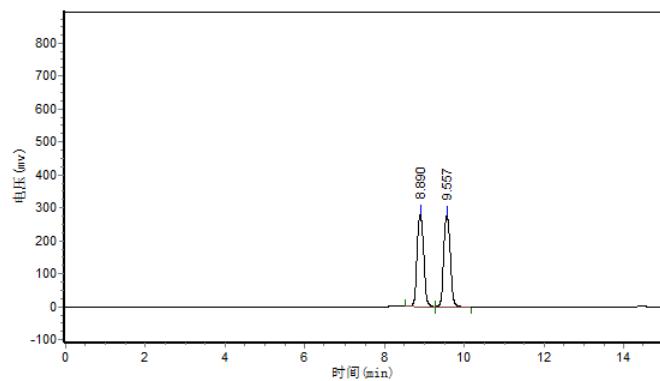


5m

92% yield, light yellow oil, 90% ee.

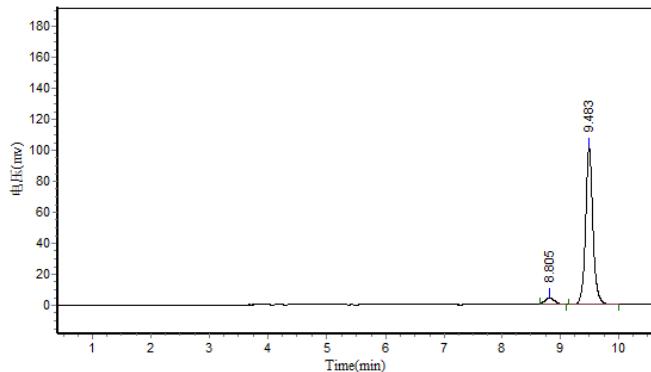
¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.35 (m, 1H), 7.29 (dd, *J* = 8.5, 6.8 Hz, 3H), 7.21-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.07 (s, 1H), 3.31 (dd, *J* = 14.0, 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.25-3.12 (m, 1H), 3.08 (dd, *J* = 13.0, 6.3 Hz, 3H), 1.26 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.4, 142.6, 139.9, 139.6, 136.5, 134.3, 131.4, 129.5, 128.0, 126.6, 124.1, 123.6, 122.8, 122.2, 122.1, 80.8, 47.6, 36.2, 33.3, 27.8. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₂H₂₃ClNaO₂S [M+Na]⁺: calcd 409.1005, found 409.1006.

HPLC: Chiralcel OD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 254 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99/1; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 8.8 min, 9.4 min (major).



分析结果表

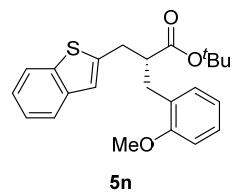
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1		8.890	277439.625	3218330.500	50.2171
2		9.557	276824.563	3190508.000	49.7829
总计			554264.188	6408838.500	100.0000



Results

Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		8.805	3799.218	43714.500	4.6697
2		9.483	101726.898	892422.375	95.3303
Total			105526.116	936136.875	100.0000

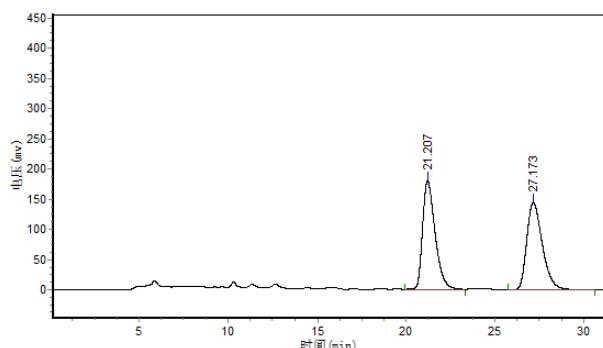
tert-butyl (R)-3-(benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl)-2-(2-methoxybenzyl)propanoate (5n)



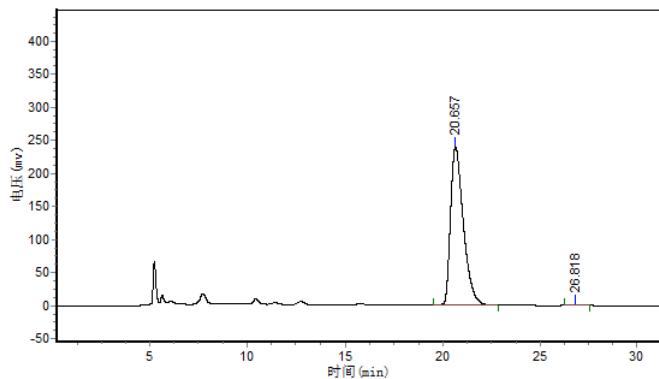
98% yield, light yellow oil, 99% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.76 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.35-7.19 (m, 2H), 7.19-7.10 (m, 2H), 7.05 (s, 1H), 6.87 (t, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.26 (dd, *J* = 14.3, 8.9 Hz, 1H), 3.20-3.08 (m, 1H), 3.02 (dd, *J* = 14.2, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.97-2.81 (m, 2H), 1.25 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.7, 157.3, 143.0, 139.6, 139.2, 130.5, 127.4, 126.8, 123.6, 123.1, 122.4, 121.6, 121.5, 119.8, 109.8, 80.0, 54.8, 47.2, 45.2, 33.3, 32.8, 27.5. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₃H₂₆NaO₃S [M+Na]⁺: calcd 405.1500, found 405.1496.

HPLC: Chiralpak AD-H column (250 mm); detected at 254 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99/1; flow = 0.6 mL/min; Retention time: 20.6 min (major), 26.8 min.

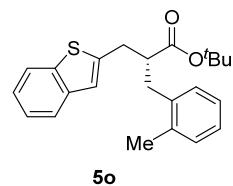


分析结果表					
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2		27.173	143776.578	8724971.000	49.6213
总计			323161.469	17583132.000	100.0000



峰号	峰名	保留时间	峰高	峰面积	含量
1		20.657	239357.656	10986769.000	99.4639
2		26.818	1428.370	59215.703	0.5361
总计			240786.026	11045984.703	100.0000

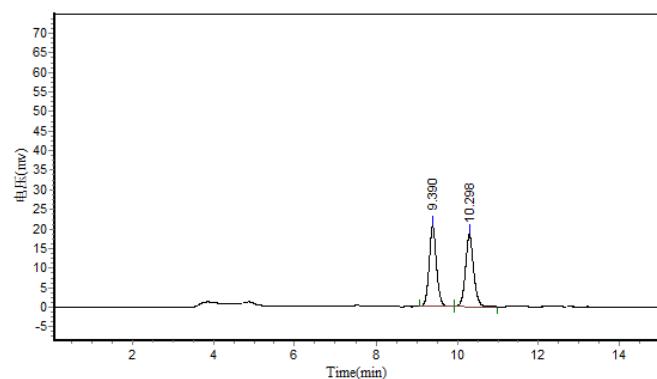
tert-butyl (R)-3-(benzo[b]thiophen-2-yl)-2-(2-methylbenzyl)propanoate (5o)



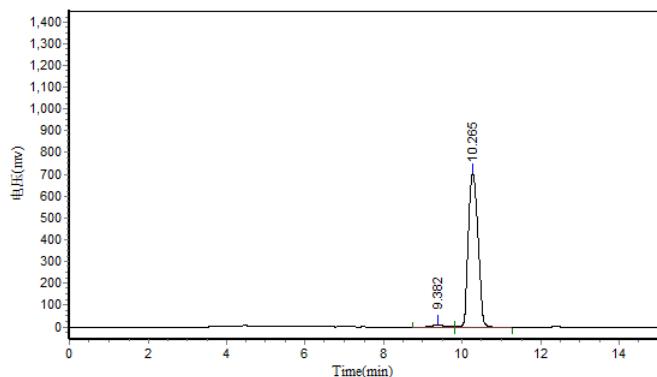
91% yield, light yellow oil, 97% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.21-7.14 (m, 3H), 7.05 (s, 1H), 3.36-3.22 (m, 1H), 3.11-2.93 (m, 3H), 2.92-2.80 (m, 1H), 2.52(s, 3H), 1.28 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.8, 142.9, 139.9, 139.5, 137.0, 136.3, 130.3, 129.7, 126.5, 125.8, 124.1, 123.6, 122.8, 122.2, 122.1, 80.7, 48.3, 35.8, 33.2, 27.8, 19.5. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₃H₂₆NaO₂S [M+Na]⁺: calcd 389.1551, found 389.1550.

HPLC: Chiralcel OD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99/1; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 9.3 min, 10.2 min (major).

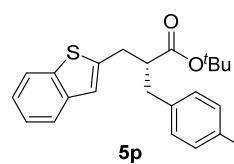


Results					
Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		9.390	20706.047	260903.656	50.3254
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Total			39132.447	518433.609	100.0000



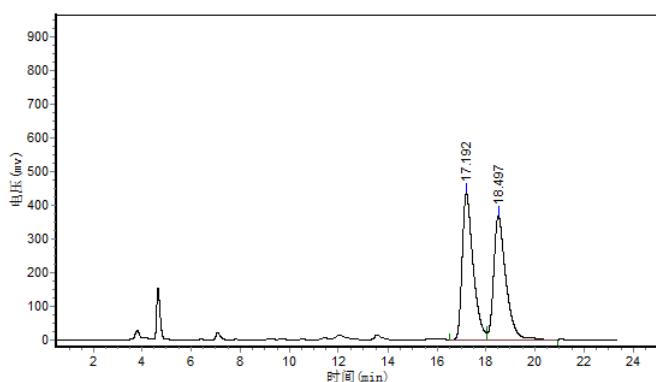
Results					
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1		9.382	9923.603	188384.203	1.5364
2		10.265	701285.563	12072746.000	98.4636
Total			711209.165	12261130.203	100.0000

**tert-butyl (R)-3-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-2-(benzo[b]thiophen-2-ylmethyl)propanoate
(5p)**

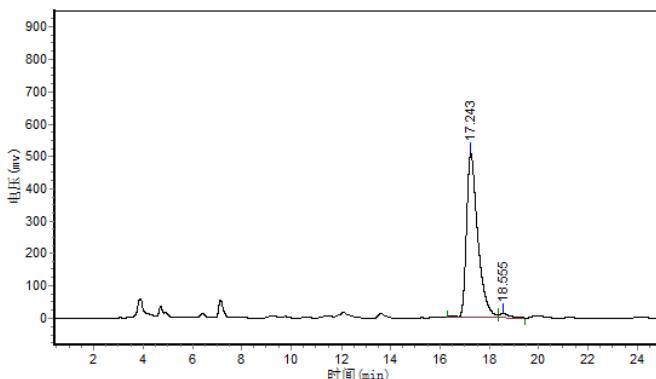


99% yield, light yellow oil, 96% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.79 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.40-7.23 (m, 5H), 7.07 (s, 1H), 3.37-3.17 (m, 1H), 3.04 (dd, *J* = 22.0, 10.5 Hz, 3H), 2.92 (dd, *J* = 17.0, 10.4 Hz, 1H), 1.30 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.2, 142.5, 140.6, 139.6, 139.2, 138.9, 137.5, 129.1, 128.3, 126.7, 126.6, 126.5, 123.7, 123.3, 122.5, 121.8, 121.7, 80.4, 49.3, 37.5, 32.6, 27.5. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₈H₂₈NaO₂S [M+Na]⁺: calcd 451.1708, found 451.1706. HPLC: Chiraldak AD-3 column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 90/10; flow = 0.5 mL/min; Retention time: 17.2 min (major), 18.5 min.

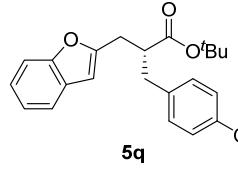


分析结果表					
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总计			802798.531	26078728.000	100.0000



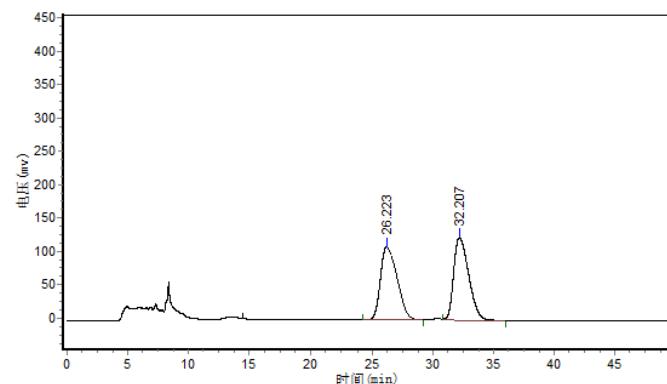
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2		18.555	11757.348	363994.094	2.2160
总计			519758.348	16425966.094	100.0000

tert-butyl (R)-3-(benzofuran-2-yl)-2-(4-methoxybenzyl)propanoate (5q)

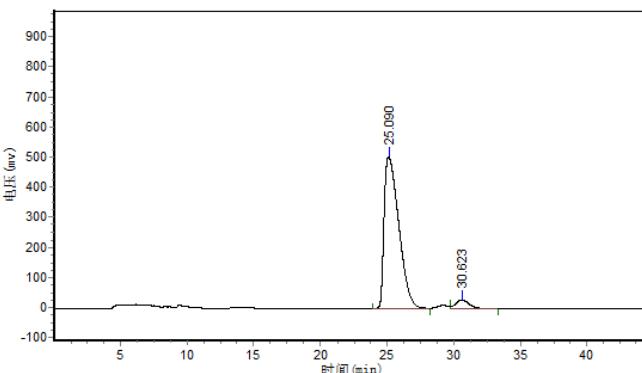

93% yield, light yellow oil, 90% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.46 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.21-7.13 (m, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 2.97 (dt, *J* = 25.6, 12.5 Hz, 4H), 2.82-2.69 (m, 1H), 1.27 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 173.3, 157.8, 156.1, 154.3, 130.4, 129.7, 128.3, 122.9, 122.0, 119.9, 113.3, 110.3, 103.0, 80.2, 54.8, 46.7, 36.9, 30.3, 27.5. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₃H₂₆NaO₄ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 389.1729, found 389.1724.

HPLC: Chiralpak IC column (250 mm); detected at 254 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99/1; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 25.0 min (major), 30.6 min.

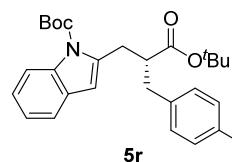


分析结果表					
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1		26.223	109645.859	10523389.000	50.2935
2		32.207	122211.547	10400568.000	49.7065
总计			231857.406	20923957.000	100.0000



分析结果表					
峰号	峰名	保留时间	峰高	峰面积	含量
1		25.090	504321.938	38741300.000	95.0576
2		30.623	28637.494	2014292.625	4.9424
总计			532959.432	40755592.625	100.0000

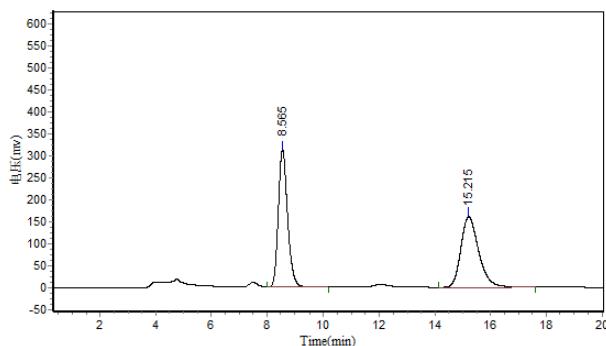
tert-butyl (R)-2-(3-(tert-butoxy)-2-(4-methoxybenzyl)-3-oxopropyl)-1*H*-indole-1-carboxylate (5r)



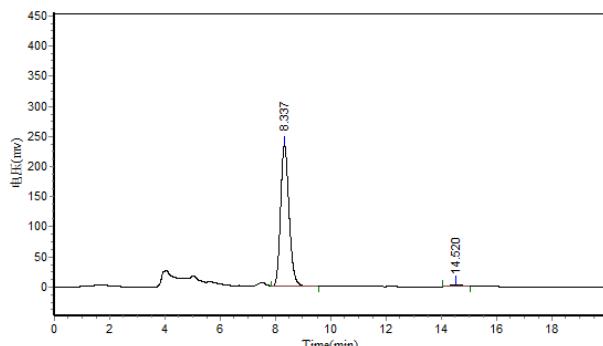
92% yield, light yellow oil, 97% ee.

¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.08 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.25-7.16 (m, 2H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 3.78 (s, 3H), 3.29 (dd, *J* = 20.3, 10.7 Hz, 2H), 3.05 (m, 1H), 2.87 (dt, *J* = 13.7, 10.7 Hz, 2H), 1.70 (s, 9H), 1.19 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 174.3, 158.2, 150.5, 139.0, 136.7, 131.2, 130.0, 129.1, 123.5, 122.6, 119.8, 115.5, 113.6, 108.6, 83.8, 80.4, 55.3, 47.7, 38.2, 33.0, 28.3, 27.8. HRMS (ESI) for C₂₈H₃₅NNaO₅ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 488.2413, found 488.2409.

HPLC: Chiralcel OD-H column (250 mm); detected at 224 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99/1; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 8.3 min (major), 14.5 min.

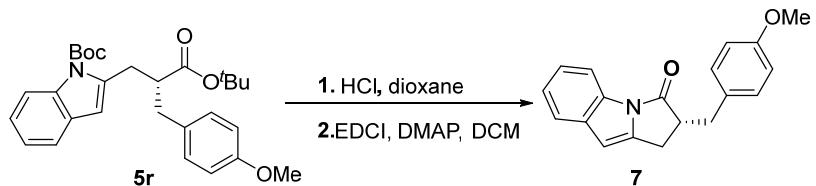


Results					
Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		8.565	311206.375	7229826.500	50.1628
2		15.215	160345.781	7182886.500	49.8372
Total			471552.156	14412713.000	100.0000



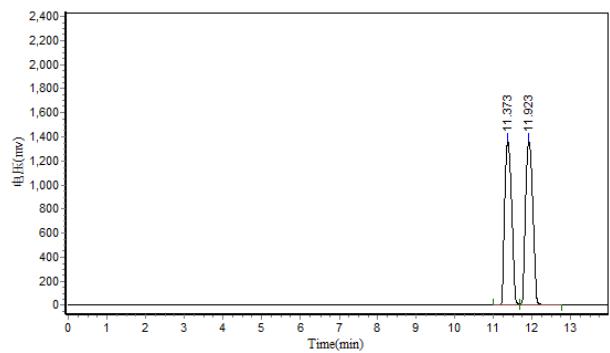
Results					
Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		8.337	233647.516	5038195.500	98.5283
2		14.520	2420.783	75256.453	1.4717
Total			236068.299	5113451.953	100.0000

7. Construction of compound 7



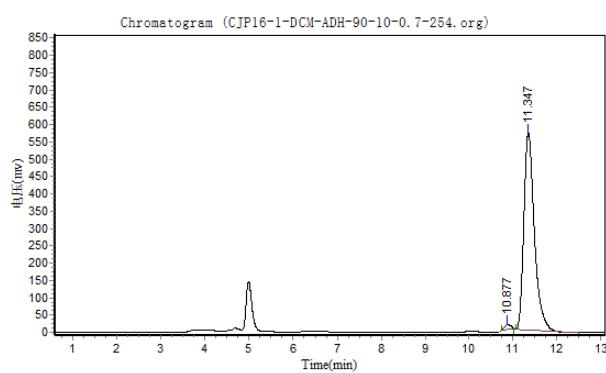
A 10 mL vessel was charged with the product **5r** (46.5 mg, 0.10 mmol, 97% ee) in 4 mL HCl/dioxane and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 hours. After the reaction was completed, saturated Na₂CO₃ was added to the system and was extracted with EtOAc (2x10 mL). The combined organic layers were dried on anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and removed under vacuum and the residue was used for next step directly. To the above residue was added dichloromethane (5 mL), EDCI (29 mg, 0.15 mmol), 4-dimethylaminopyridine (25 mg, 0.20 mmol) and the solution was stirred for 12 h at room temperature. After solvent evaporation, the crude compound was purified by column chromatography over silica gel to furnish the desired cyclic product (*R*)-2-(4-methoxybenzyl)-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-pyrrolo[1,2-a]indol-3-one (**7**): 88% yield, light yellow oil, 97% ee. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.10 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.31-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.18 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.22 (s, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.47 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.34 (dd, *J* = 14.1, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.17 (dd, *J* = 17.7, 9.1 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (dd, *J* = 14.2, 9.1 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.9, 158.0, 141.6, 134.8, 130.0, 129.7, 129.5, 123.6, 122.8, 120.0, 113.7, 113.3, 100.0, 54.8, 48.0, 35.8, 24.9. HRMS (ESI) for C₁₉H₁₇NNaO₂ [M+Na]⁺: calcd 314.1157, found 314.1154.

HPLC: Chiralcel AD-H column (250 mm); detected at 254 nm; *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 90/10; flow = 0.7 mL/min; Retention time: 10.9 min (major), 11.3 min.



Results

Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		11.373	1356207.125	17177762.000	48.8248
2		11.923	1359109.500	18004666.000	51.1752
Total			2715316.625	35182428.000	100.0000



Results

Peak No.	Peak ID	Ret Time	Height	Area	Conc.
1		10.877	13934.208	136140.484	1.4324
2		11.347	567769.625	9368122.000	98.5676
Total			581703.833	950426.494	100.0000

8. Copies of ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR spectra of products 3-7

