Supporting Information

Synthesis and Development of Seven-Membered Constrained Cyclic Urea Based PSMA inhibitors

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General Information.

All reagents were purchased as reagent grade and used without further purification. Grubbs catalyst® 1st generation, chlorodicyclohexyl thiophenol, 3-bromo-1-propene, borane (CBU), triethylamine (NEt₃), 1.8diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene (DBU), tetrabutylammonium iodide (TBAI), triphosgene (BTC) and 2nitrobenzenesulfonyl chloride were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich (St. Louis, Missouri). tert-Butyl glycinate HCl was purchased from GL Biochem (Shanghai, China). Di-tert-butyl L-glutamate HCl and 1,4-dithiothreitol (DTT) were purchased from AK Scientific (Union City, CA). All reactions were performed under an oxygen-free atmosphere of nitrogen unless otherwise noted. Tetrahydrofuran (THF), dimethylformamide (DMF), and dichloromethane (CH₂Cl₂), were dried using an LC Technical SP-1 solvent purification system. Yields refer to chromatographically homogeneous materials. Reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC) carried out on E. Merck silica gel plates using UV light as the visualising agent with either ninhydrin or potassium permanganate solution as developing agents with heat application. Silica gel (60, 230-400 mesh) was used for flash column chromatography. Reactions performed at low temperatures were cooled either with and acetone/dry ice bath to reach -78 °C or an ice/water bath to reach 0 °C. NMR spectra were recorded at room temperature in CDCl₃ or D₂O solutions on either Bruker DRX 400 spectrometers operating at 400 MHz for ¹H nuclei and 100 MHz for ¹³C nuclei or using a Bruker DRX 500 spectrometer operating at 500 MHz for ¹H nuclei and 125 MHz for ¹³C nuclei. Chemical shifts are reported in parts per million (ppm) calibrated relative to: TMS ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 0.00 ppm), CDCl₃ ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 7.26 ppm, $\delta_{\rm C}$ 77.2 ppm), or D₂O ($\delta_{\rm H}$ 4.79 ppm). Multiplicities are reported as "s" (singlet), 'br s' (broad singlet), "d" (doublet), "dd" (doublet of doublets), "t" (triplet), "m" (multiplet), coupling constant (J, Hz), relative integral and structural assignment. ¹³C NMR data were reported as position (δ), type and assignment of carbon resonance. Structural assignments were achieved with the aid of COSY, HSQC, HMBC and NOESY experiments where required. Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded as a thin film on a composite of zinc selenide and diamond crystal on a FT-IR system transform spectrometer expressed in wavenumbers (cm⁻¹). Optical rotations were measured with an automatic polarimeter using the sodium-D line (589 nm), with the concentration measured in grams per 100 mL. Microwave reactions were carried out on a Biotage® Initiator+ Microwave System with Robot Eight (Uppsala, Sweden) in sealed reaction vessels monitored by an external surface sensor with the required temperature maintained during the synthesis. Melting points were determined on a Kofler hot-stage apparatus and are uncorrected. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were obtained using the micrOTOF-Q II spectrometer operating at a nominal accelerating voltage of 70 eV. Semi-preparative RP-HPLC was performed on a Thermo Scientific (Waltham, MA) Dionex Ultimate 3000 HPLC equipped with a four channel UV Detector at 210, 225, 254 and 280 nm using an analytical XTerra® MS column (Waters (Milford, MA), C18, (5 µm; 4.6 × 150 mm) at a flow rate of 1 mL min⁻¹. A suitably adjusted gradient of 5% B to 95% B was used, where solvent A was 0.1% TFA in H₂O and B was 0.1% TFA in acetonitrile. LC-MS spectra were acquired using an Agilent Technologies (Santa Clara, CA) 1120 Compact LC equipped with an Agilent Technologies 6120 Quadrupole mass spectrometer. An analytical Agilent column (Santa Clara, CA), Agilent C3, (3.5 μ m; 3.0 \times 150 mm) was used at a flow rate of 0.3 mL min⁻¹ using a linear gradient of 5% B to 95% B over 30 min, where solvent A was 0.1% formic acid in H₂O and B was 0.1% formic acid in acetonitrile.

tert-Butyl ((2-nitrophenyl)sulfonyl)glycinate (11).



To a solution of *tert*-butyl glycinate·HCl (7) (2.0 g, 11.9 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (70 mL) at 0 °C was added triethylamine (2.4 mL, 17.5 mmol) and the resultant mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 5 min. 2-Nitrobenzenesulfonyl chloride (2.7 g, 12.0 mmol) was added in one portion and the suspension was stirred at 0 °C for 20 min then warmed to rt and stirred for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (20 mL), and the aqueous layer was further extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 15 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered then concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the crude residue by flash column chromatography (petroleum ether-EtOAc 6:1) afforded **11** (2.6 g, 69%) as a colourless solid; ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si): δ 1.31 (9H, s, 3 × CH₃), 3.89-3.90 (2H, m, CH₂), 6.02 (1H, t, *J* = 5.4 Hz, NH), 7.69-7.76 (2H, m, 2 × Ar-H), 7.83-7.95 (1H, m, Ar-H), 8.06-8.13 (1H, m, Ar-H); ¹³C{¹H} **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si): δ 27.9, 45.8, 83.1, 125.8, 130.7, 132.9, 133.7, 134.2, 148.1, 167.6. The spectroscopic data were in agreement with that reported in the literature.¹

tert-Butyl N-allyl-N-((2-nitrophenyl)sulfonyl)glycinate (12).



To a solution of **11** (2.6 g, 8.21 mmol) in DMF (20 mL) at rt was added a solution of Cs₂CO₃ (10 g, 30.6 mmol) in 20 mL H₂O followed by addition of TBAI (11 mg, 3.10×10^{-5} mol). To the suspension was added 3-bromo-1-propene (1.4 mL, 16.4 mmol) dropwise and the reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h. The reaction was then quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (10 mL). The mixture was then extracted with Et₂O (2 × 10 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered then concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (petroleum ether-EtOAc 6:1) to afford **12** (2.4 g, 82%) as a pale yellow solid; ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si): δ 1.37 (9H, s, $3 \times CH_3$), 4.04-4.05 (4H, m, $2 \times CH_2$), 5.19-5.24 (2H, m, CH_2 =CH), 5.69-5.79 (1H, m, CH₂=CH), 7.61-7.64 (1H, m, Ar-H), 7.66-7.71 (2H, m, $2 \times Ar$ -H), 8.07-8.12 (1H, m, Ar-H); ¹³C{¹H} **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si): δ 28.0, 47.9, 51.1, 82.4, 120.2, 124.3, 131.1, 131.8, 132.2, 133.6, 133.9, 148.1, 167.8. The spectroscopic data were in agreement with that reported in the literature.²

tert-Butyl allylglycinate (5).



To a solution of allyl **12** (1.4 g, 3.93 mmol) in DMF (25 mL) at 0 °C was added DBU (1.2 mL, 7.84 mmol) and the resultant mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 5 min. Thiophenol (1.0 mL, 9.75 mmol) was added to the mixture and stirred at 0 °C for 10 min then warmed to rt and stirred for an additional 3 h. The mixture was then diluted with EtOAc (15 mL), washed with H₂O (3 × 10 mL), aqueous brine and the combined organic layers dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (petroleum ether-diethyl ether 6:1) to afford **5** (0.49 g, 73%) as a pale yellow oil; ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si): δ 1.42 (9H, s, 3 × CH₃), 3.20 (2H, dd, *J* = 6.0, 0.9 Hz, CH₂), 3.24 (2H, br s, CH₂), 5.04-5.16 (2H, m, *CH*₂=CH), 5.77-5.87 (1H, m, CH₂=CH); ¹³C{¹H} **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si): δ 28.2, 50.9, 51.9, 81.1, 116.4, 136.4, 171.8. **HRMS** (ESI+) [M+H]⁺ calcd: for C₉H₁₈NO₂: 172.1332; found: 172.1330. The ¹H NMR data was in agreement with that reported in the literature.³

di-tert-Butyl ((2-nitrophenyl)sulfonyl)-L-glutamate (8).



To a solution of di-*tert*-butyl *L*-glutamate·HCl (6) (1.86 g, 6.28 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (70 mL) at 0 °C was added triethylamine (1.14 mL, 8.20 mmol) and the resultant mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 5 min. 2-Nitrobenzenesulfonyl chloride (1.1 g, 4.96 mmol) was added in one portion and the suspension was stirred at 0 °C for 20 min then warmed to rt and stirred for 24 h. The reaction was quenched by addition of saturated aqueous NaHCO₃ (20 mL), and the aqueous layer was further extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 15 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered then concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the crude residue by flash column chromatography (petroleum ether-EtOAc 6:1) afforded **8** (2.0 g, 72%) as a colourless solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si): δ 1.21 (9H, s, 3 × CH₃), 1.47 (9H, s, 3 × CH₃), 1.83-1.92* (1H, m, CH₂-C(H_a)H_b), 2.09-2.18* (1H, m, CH₂-C(H_b)H_a), 2.42-2.46 (2H, m, CH₂), 4.09 (1H, br s, CH), 6.16 (1H, br s, NH), 7.68-7.73 (2H, m, 2 × Ar-H), 7.91-7.95 (1H, m, Ar-H), 8.05-8.09 (1H, m, Ar-H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si): δ 27.8, 28.2, 28.6, 31.2, 57.0, 81.0, 82.9, 125.8, 130.7, 133.0, 133.7, 134.4, 148.0, 169.9, 171.9; mp: 98-105 °C; $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$ -14.2 (*c* 0.1, CHCl₃); IR v_{max}(neat)/cm⁻¹: 2951, 1742, 1482, 1381, 1132, 1080, 720; HRMS (ESI+) [M + Na]⁺ calcd: for C₁₉H₂₈N₂NaO₈S: 467.1459; found: 467.1462. *Represents diastereotopic glutamate protons. The ¹H NMR data was in agreement with that reported in the literature.⁴

di-tert-Butyl N-allyl-N-((2-nitrophenyl)sulfonyl)-L-glutamate (9).



To a solution of **8** (2.0 g, 4.50 mmol) in DMF (20 mL) at rt was added a solution of Cs₂CO₃ (10 g, 30.6 mmol) in 20 mL H₂O followed by addition of TBAI (11 mg, 3.10×10^{-5} mol). To the suspension was added 3-bromo-1-propene (0.78 mL, 9.0 mmol) dropwise and the reaction mixture was stirred for 24 h. The reaction was then quenched with saturated aqueous NH₄Cl (10 mL). The mixture was then extracted with Et₂O (2 × 10 mL) and the combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered then concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (petroleum ether-EtOAc 4:1) to afford **9** (1.7 g, 78%) as a pale yellow solid; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si): δ 1.26 (9H, s, $3 \times CH_3$), 1.43 (9H, s, $3 \times CH_3$), 1.89-1.99* (1H, m, CH₂-C(H_a)H_b), 2.20-2.29* (1H, m, CH₂-C(H_b)H_a), 2.37-2.41 (2H, m, CH₂), 3.75-3.81 (1H, m, C(H_2 =CH), 5.88-5.98 (1H, m, CH₂=CH), 7.53-7.58 (1H, m, Ar-H), 7.62-7.71 (2H, m, $2 \times Ar$ -H), 7.99-8.04 (1H, m, Ar-H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si) δ 25.3, 27.8, 28.1, 31.8, 49.2, 60.6, 80.7, 82.4, 118.4, 124.0, 131.4, 131.6, 133.5, 133.6, 135.2, 148.2, 169.3, 171.9; mp: 153-162 °C; [α]p²⁵-30.2 (*c* 1.0, CHCl₃); IR v_{max}(neat)/cm⁻¹: 2953, 2917, 2850, 1737, 1632, 1538, 1458, 1377, 1217, 1028, 803; HRMS (ESI+) [M + Na]⁺ calcd: for C₂₂H₃₂N₂NaO₈S: 507.1772; found: 507.1786. *Represents diastereotopic glutamate protons

di-tert-Butyl N-allyl-L-glutamate (4).



To a solution of allyl **9** (1.22 g, 2.52 mmol) in DMF (30 mL) at 0 °C was added DBU (1.3 mL, 7.84 mmol) and the resultant mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 5 min. A solution of 1,4-dithiothreitol (0.96 g, 6.22 mmol) dissolved in DMF (6 mL) was added to the mixture and stirred at 0 °C for 10 min then warmed to rt and stirred for an additional 3 h. The mixture was then diluted with EtOAc (15 mL), washed with H₂O (3 × 10 mL), aqueous brine and the combined organic layers dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified by flash column chromatography (petroleum ether-EtOAc 5:1) to afford **4** (0.65 g, 86%) as a pale yellow oil; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si): δ 1.42 (9H, s, 3 × CH₃), 1.45 (9H, s, 3 × CH₃), 1.72-1.92 (2H, m, CH₂), 2.26-2.38 (2H, m, CH₂), 3.05-3.10 (1H, m, C(*H*)_{*a*}H_b-CH=CH₂), 3.08-3.11 (1H, m, CH), 3.21-3.26 (1H, m, C(*H*)_{*b*}H_a-CH=CH₂), 5.03-5.18 (2H, m, CH₂=CH), 5.77-5.87 (1H, m, CH₂=CH); ¹³C{¹H} **NMR** (100 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si): δ 28.2, 28.8, 32.1, 50.8, 60.5, 80.3, 81.3, 116.3, 136.6, 172.6, 174.5; $[a]_D^{25}$ -37.0 (*c* 0.6, CHCl₃); **IR** v_{max}(neat)/cm⁻¹: 2963, 2845, 1650, 1422, 1317, 1211, 980, 770; **HRMS** (ESI+) [M + H]⁺ calcd: for C₁₆H₃₀NO₄: 300.2169; found: 300.2150.

di-tert-Butyl N-allyl-N-(allyl(2-(tert-butoxy)-2-oxoethyl)carbamoyl)-L-glutamate (3).



To a stirred solution of glutamate 4 (200 mg, 0.67 mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (7 mL) at rt was added triethylamine (0.32 mL, 2.31 mmol) and mixture was cooled to -78 °C. A solution of triphosgene (66 mg, 0.22 mmol) in anhydrous CH₂Cl₂ (3 mL) was added by slow dropwise addition and the mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 5 min, then the mixture was gradually warmed to rt and left stirring for a further 25 min. To the stirred mixture was added a mixture of glycinate 5 (100 mg, 0.58 mmol) in dry CH_2Cl_2 (1.6 mL) at rt followed by addition of triethylamine (86 μ L, 0.61 mmol) and the reaction mixture stirred for a further 24 h. The reaction was quenched with aqueous NH₄OH (25% in H₂O); (1 mL) at rt and stirred 10 min. The resulting mixture was diluted with H_2O and acidified with aqueous NH_4Cl to pH 7–8, then extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2 × 5 mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated in vacuo. The crude residue was purified by flash column chromatography (petroleum ether-EtOAc 9:1) to afford urea 3 (230 mg, 70%) as a pale yellow oil; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si): δ 1.42 (9H, s, 3 × CH₃), 1.44 (9H, s, 3 × CH₃), 1.45 (9H, s, 3 × CH₃), 1.91-2.03* (1H, m, CH₂-C(H_a)H_b), 2.24-2.35* (3H, m, CH₂-C(H_a)H_b), 3.68-3.97 (7H, m), 5.13-5.29 (4H, m, 2 × CH₂=CH), 5.75-5.88 (2H, m, 2 × CH₂=CH); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si): δ 24.9, 28.1, 28.21, 28.24, 32.6, 49.7, 51.2, 52.3, 60.3, 80.4, 81.51, 81.54, 117.4, 117.7, 133.6, 134.5, 163.7, 169.4, 170.9, 172.6; $[\alpha]_{p^{25}}$ -21.2 (c 0.44, CHCl₃); **IR** v_{max} (neat)/cm⁻¹: 2981, 2341, 2164, 1734, 1654, 1368, 1256, 1154, 849, 758; **HRMS** (ESI+) $[M + Na]^+$ calcd: for C₂₆H₄₄N₂NaO₇: 519.3041; found: 519.3022. *Represents diastereotopic glutamate protons

di-*tert*-Butyl (*S*)-2-(3-(2-(*tert*-butoxy)-2-oxoethyl)-2-oxo-2,3,4,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-1,3-diazepin-1-yl)pentanedioate (2).



To urea **3** (50 mg, 0.10 mmol) under an inert argon atmosphere was added degassed anhydrous THF (16 mL) at a solution concentration of 6.3 mM at rt. To the resulting solution at approximately 5 min after addition of solvent was added Grubb's catalyst 1st generation (10-12 mg, 10 mol%, 1.0×10^{-5} mol) in degassed anhydrous THF (1 mL) via cannula addition followed by addition of chlorodicyclohexyl borane (1 M solution in hexane, 10 mol%) to make a final solution concentration of 5.9 mM, and the resultant mixture was heated under reflux at 75 °C for 16 h using a heating mantle. The mixture was cooled to rt, filtered with celite and then concentrated *in vacuo*. Purification of the crude residue by flash column chromatography (petroleum ether-EtOAc 9:1) afforded cyclic **2** (14 mg, 30%) as a pale yellow oil; ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si): δ 1.43 (9H, s, $3 \times CH_3$), 1.44 (9H, s, $3 \times CH_3$), 1.46 (9H, s, $3 \times CH_3$), 1.86-1.96* (1H, m, CH₂-C(*H*_a)H_b), 2.16-2.25* (1H, m, CH₂-C(*H*_b)H_a), 2.29-2.33 (2H, m, CH₂), 3.69-3.85 (4H, m, $2 \times CH_2$), 3.90-3.98 (2H, m, CH₂), 4.34 (1H, dd, *J* = 10.4, 5.4 Hz, CH), 5.68-5.81 (2H, m, $2 \times CH$); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, Me₄Si): δ 24.9, 28.19, 28.24, 32.4, 45.4, 51.1, 53.5, 60.2, 80.5, 81.36, 81.45, 126.2, 126.5, 165.7, 169.6, 171.4, 172.5; [**a**]_b²⁵ - 9.5 (*c* 0.28, CHCl₃); **IR** v_{max} (neat)/cm⁻¹: 2988, 1744, 1449, 1375, 1245, 1048, 938, 848; **HRMS** (ESI+) [M + Na]⁺ calcd: for C₂₄H₄₀N₂NaO₇: 491.2728; found 491.2727.*Represents diastereotopic glutamate protons.

(S)-2-(3-(carboxymethyl)-2-oxo-2,3,4,7-tetrahydro-1H-1,3-diazepin-1-yl)pentanedioic acid (1a).



To cyclic **2** (8 mg, 1.71×10^{-5} mol) was added TFA/CH₂Cl₂/H₂O (63.10:36.85:0.05, v/v/v, 0.044 mol/L) at rt for 7 h. The filtrate was partially concentrated under a gentle stream of N₂, then diluted with H₂O (4 mL) filtered on a C8 cartridge with H₂O (4 × 1 mL) and the collected aqueous fractions where combined and lyophilised. Crude mixture was further diluted in H₂O (2 mL) and was purified batchwise by semi-preparative RP-HPLC using Dionex Ultimate 3000 on a Xterra C18 column, using a linear gradient of 5% to 95% over 90 min (*ca* 1% B/min) with a flow rate of 1 mL/min. Fractions were collected at 0.2 min intervals and analysed by ESI-MS and RP-HPLC. Fractions identified with correct *m/z* were combined and lyophilised to afford the *title compound* **1a** as a colourless oil (3.6 mg, 70%, *t*_R = 11.2 min, >99% purity as judged by RP-HPLC); ****1H NMR** (500 MHz, D₂O): δ 2.02-2.09* (1H, m, CH₂-C(*H*_a)H_b), 2.24-2.31* (1H, m, CH₂-C(*H*_b)H_a), 2.42-2.53 (2H, m, CH₂), 3.81-4.05 (6H, m, 3 × CH₂), 4.42 (1H, dd, *J* = 11.5, 4.8 Hz, CH), 5.82-5.92 (2H, m, 2 × CH); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (125 MHz, D₂O): δ 23.6, 30.3, 45.9, 50.6, 52.4, 60.2, 125.7, 126.4, 166.5, 174.1, 175.6, 177.4; [*a*]_D²⁵ -60 (*c* 0.1, H₂O); **IR** v_{max} (neat)/cm⁻¹: 2982, 2158, 1741, 1656, 1394, 1373, 1242, 1155, 1048, 939, 848; **HRMS** (ESI+) [M + Na]⁺ calcd: for C₁₂H₁₆N₂NaO₇: 323.0850; found 323.0859.**Exchangeable carboxylic acid protons not detected in ¹H NMR but are accounted for in HRMS. *Represents diastereotopic glutamate protons

(S)-2-(3-(carboxymethyl)-2-oxo-1,3-diazepan-1-yl)pentanedioic acid (1b).



To cyclic **2** (18.5 mg, 3.94×10^{-5} mol) in EtOAc (2 mL) was added 10% Pd/C (0.5 mg, 3.9×10^{-6} mol) and the mixture stirred vigorously under H₂ (*ca.* 1 atm) for 16 h. The filtrate was then filtered by celite and concentrated *in vacuo* to give crude product (20 mg, 4.24×10^{-5} mol). Crude product **14** (20 mg, 4.24×10^{-5} mol) was then directly subjected to TFA/CH₂Cl₂/H₂O (63.10:36.85:0.05, *v/v/v*, 0.044 mol/L) at rt for 7 h. The filtrate was partially concentrated under a gentle stream of N₂, then diluted with H₂O (4 mL) filtered on a C8 cartridge with H₂O (4 × 1 mL) and the collected aqueous fractions where combined and lyophilised. Crude mixture was further diluted in H₂O (2 mL) and was purified batchwise by semi-preparative RP-HPLC using Dionex Ultimate 3000 on a Xterra C18 column, using a linear gradient of 5% to 95% over 90 min (*ca* 1% B/min) with a flow rate of 1 mL/min. Fractions were collected at 0.2 min intervals and analysed by ESI-MS and RP-HPLC. Fractions identified with correct *m/z* were combined and lyophilised to afford the *title compound* **1b** as a colourless oil (3.5 mg, 30% yield over two steps, $t_{\rm R} = 11.5$ min, >99% purity as judged by RP-HPLC); ****1H NMR** (500 MHz, D₂O): δ 1.72-1.77 (4H, m, 2 × CH₂), 2.04-2.12* (1H, m, CH₂-C(H_a)H_b), 2.24-2.31*

(1H, m, CH₂-C(H_b)H_a), 2.47-2.58 (2H, m, CH₂), 3.30-3.39 (4H, m, 2 × CH₂), 3.98 (2H, ABq, $\Delta \delta_{AB} = 0.02$, J = 17.8 Hz, CH₂), 4.33 (1H, dd, J = 10.3, 4.9 Hz, CH); ¹³C{¹H} **NMR** (125 MHz, D₂O): δ 23.7, 24.6, 25.2, 30.7, 48.3, 50.7, 51.6, 60.5, 164.6, 174.4, 175.8, 177.5; **IR** v_{max}(neat)/cm⁻¹: 3368, 2954, 1736, 1645, 1562, 1437, 1223, 1158, 969, 848; **[a]**_D²⁵ -51.3 (*c* 0.15, H₂O); **HRMS** (ESI+) [M + H]⁺ calcd: for C₁₂H₁₉N₂O₇: 303.1187; found 303.1188.**Exchangeable carboxylic acid protons not detected in ¹H NMR but are accounted for in HRMS. *Represents diastereotopic glutamate protons

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): 11 (The spectroscopic data were in agreement with that reported in the literature.¹)





¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): **11** (The spectroscopic data were in agreement with that reported in the literature.¹)

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): **12** (The spectroscopic data were in agreement with that reported in the literature.²)





¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): **12** (The spectroscopic data were in agreement with that reported in the literature.²)

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): 5 (The ¹H NMR data was in agreement with that reported in the literature.³)





Figure S1: HRMS for 5. HRMS (ESI): (*m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd: C₉H₁₈NO₂⁺: 172.1332; found: 172.1330



¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): 8 The (¹H NMR data was in agreement with that reported in the literature.⁴)

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<sup>13</sup>C{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 MHz): 8
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Figure S2: HRMS for 8. HRMS (ESI): (*m*/*z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd: C₁₉H₂₈N₂NaO₈S⁺: 467.1459; found: 467.1462



Figure SC3: IR spectra for 8



¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): 9 (* corresponds to CH₂Cl₂ solvent peak)

 $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ NMR (CDCl_3, 100 MHz): 9 (* corresponds to CH_2Cl_2 solvent peak)





Figure S5. HSQC spectrum for 9



Figure S6. NOESY spectrum for 9



Figure S7: HRMS for 9. HRMS (ESI): (*m*/*z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd: C₂₂H₃₂N₂O₈S₁Na⁺: 507.1772; found: 507.1786



Figure S8: IR spectra for 9



¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz): 4

¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): 4



Figure S9. COSY spectrum for 4



Figure S11. HMBC spectrum for 4







Figure S13: HRMS for 4. HRMS (EI): (*m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd: C₁₆H₃₀N₁O₄⁺: 300.2169; found: 300.2150



Figure S14: IR spectra for 4







Figure S15. COSY spectrum for 3



Figure S16. HSQC spectrum for 3



Figure S17. HMBC spectrum for 3



Figure S18. NOESY spectrum for 3



Figure S19: HRMS for 3. HRMS (ESI): (*m*/*z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd: C₂₆H₄₄N₂NaO₇⁺: 519.3041; found: 519.3022



 ^1H NMR (CDCl_3, 400 MHz): 2 (* Corresponds to H_2O and ''grease'' peaks)





¹³C{¹H} NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz): 2 (* Corresponds to "grease" peak)

Figure S21. COSY spectrum for 2



Figure S22. HSQC spectrum for 2



Figure S23. HMBC spectrum for 2



Figure S24. NOESY spectrum for 2



Figure S26: HRMS for 2. HRMS (ESI): (*m*/*z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd: C₂₄H₄₀N₂NaO₇⁺: 491.2728; found: 491.2727



Figure S27: IR spectra for 2

¹H NMR (D₂O, 500 MHz): 1a





Figure S28. COSY spectrum for 1a



Figure S30. HMBC spectrum for 1a







Figure S32: HRMS for 1a. HRMS (ESI): (*m*/*z* [M + Na]⁺ calcd: C₁₂H₁₆N₂O₇Na⁺: 323.0850; found: 323.0859



Figure S33: IR spectra for 1a



Figure S34: Analytical RP-HPLC chromatogram of purified **1a**, $t_R = 11.23$ min. Chromatographic separations were performed on a Thermo Scientific Dionex Ultimate 3000 HPLC using a XTerra[®] MS C-18 column (5 µm; 4.6 × 150 mm) and a linear gradient of 5-95% B in 90 min at room temperature, *ca*. 1% B per min at a flow rate of 1.0 mL/min. Buffer A: H₂O containing 0.1% TFA (v/v); Buffer B: acetonitrile containing 0.1% TFA (v/v)



Figure S35: LC-MS profile of purified peptide 1a; ion polarity positive. ESI-MS (*m/z* [M + H]⁺ calcd: 301.1; found: 301.1)



Figure S36: LC-MS profile of blank sample for sample 1a; ion polarity positive



¹³C{¹H} NMR (D₂O, 125 MHz): **1b**





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Figure S39. NOESY spectrum for 1b



Figure S40: HRMS for 1b. HRMS (ESI): $(m/z \text{ [M + H]} + \text{calcd: } C_{12}H_{19}N_2O_7^+: 303.1187; \text{ found: } 303.1188)$



Figure S41: IR spectra for 1b



Figure S42: Analytical RP-HPLC chromatogram of purified **1b**, $t_R = 11.51$ min. Chromatographic separations were performed on a Thermo Scientific Dionex Ultimate 3000 HPLC using a XTerra[®] MS C-18 column (5 µm; 4.6 × 150 mm) and a linear gradient of 5-95% B in 90 min at room temperature, *ca.* 1% B per min at a flow rate of 1.0 mL/min. Buffer A: H₂O containing 0.1% TFA (ν/ν); Buffer B: acetonitrile containing 0.1% TFA (ν/ν)



Figure S43: LC-MS profile of purified peptide 1b; ion polarity positive. ESI-MS (*m/z* [M + H]⁺ calcd: 302.8; found: 303.0)



Figure S44: LC-MS profile of blank sample for sample 1b; ion polarity positive



gure S45: Crude LC-MS profile displaying methylene loss during attempted RCM on 3 affording by-products 13a and 13b. ESI-MS (m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd: 483.6; found: 483.3)

Glutamate Carboxypeptidase II Inhibitor Screening Kit

Methods

Screening of PSMA inhibitors was completed using the Glutamate Carboxypeptidase II inhibitor screening kit (Cat# K440-100; BioVision, CA, USA). Inhibition of the human GCPII enzyme was indicated by a reduction in fluorescence over the 90 min time course. For inhibitor dose-response curves, inhibitors were serially diluted using the kit supplied assay buffer to give a final inhibitor concentration range of 10 pM to 100 nM for 2-PMPA (kit supplied control inhibitor) and 100 nM to 3 mM for the test inhibitors. Inhibitor assays were performed as per the manufacturer's instructions. Briefly, 10 μ L diluted sample, assay buffer or water was added to a 96-well Spectraplate-MB (PerkinElmer Life and Analytical Sciences, MA, USA). A further 30 μ L assay buffer and 40 μ L added to each well to give a total volume of 40 μ L. Human GCPII enzyme was diluted 80-fold in assay buffer and 40 μ L added to each well excluding the background control wells where assay buffer, 2 μ L 1:100 diluted substrate, 2 μ L enzyme mix, 2 μ L developer and 1 μ L PicoProbe) was added to each well to give a final volume of 100 μ L. Fluorescence (Ex/Em = 535/587) was immediately measured at 37 °C for 90 min using a SpectraMax ID3 (Molecular devices, CA, USA) on the low PMT setting.

Data and statistical analysis

All data were plotted and analysed using GraphPad Prism 9.0 (GraphPad Software, CA, USA). Data points are the mean \pm standard error of the mean (SEM) from 3 independent experiments, combined. Each independent experiment was performed with two technical replicates. The location of inhibitors and controls were randomised between independent experiments.

Time courses

Control (enzyme, water and background) condition time courses were baseline corrected to account for variation in the basal enzyme activity. The average value generated for each enzyme and background control replicates within an independent experiment was subtracted from all control values and plotted as the relative fluorescent units (RFU) over time (min). Inhibitor time courses were normalised to the maximal (90 min) and minimum (0 min) RFU of the enzyme control and expressed as a percentage of the enzyme control (100%).

Inhibitor dose-response curves

Inhibitor activity (IC₅₀) was determined by choosing two time points (45 and 60 min) on the linear range of the time course and calculating the slope (Δ RFU (R_{t2}-R_{t1}) / Δ t (t₂-t₁)) (**Figure S45**). The relative activity of each inhibitor concentration was then calculated (Relative activity (%) = (Slope of inhibitor/Slope of enzyme control) × 100) and plotted to generate dose-response curves. Dose-response curves were fitted with a three-parameter inhibitor logistic equation to determine pIC₅₀. The bottom of the curve was fixed to 0 and data are expressed as a percentage of the

enzyme control (100%). IC₅₀ values were averaged from each separate independent experiment to generate mean values \pm SEM.



Figure S46. Time course of A) control conditions, B) 2-PMPA inhibitor activity, C) Compound 1a inhibitor activity and D) compound 1b inhibitor activity. Time courses were left as raw RFU (A) or normalised to the enzyme control (B-D) and plotted over time. Data points are the mean \pm SEM from 3 independent experiments

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