Supporting Information

Catalytic asymmetric Michael and Nef-type sequential reaction of

nitroolefin with azlactone to construct oxazole-fused succinimide

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1. General information

¹H NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker ASCENDTM (400 MHz). Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from the tetramethylsilane with the solvent resonance as internal standard (CDCl₃, $\delta = 7.26$). Data were reported as follows: chemical shift, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, m =multiplet), coupling constants (Hz), integration. ¹³C{¹H} NMR data were collected on Bruker ASCENDTM (100 MHz) with complete proton decoupling. ¹⁹F {¹H} NMR spectra were collected on Bruker ASCENDTM (376 MHz) with complete proton decoupling. Melting points (M.p.) were determined using OptiMelt automated melting point system. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) analyses were recorded on Thermo Scientific Q Exactive hybrid quadrupole-Orbitrap mass spectrometer (ESI Source) and methanol were used to dissolve the sample. Enantiomeric excesses (ee) were determined by UPC² analysis by using the corresponding commercial chiralpak column as stated in the experimental procedures at 35 °C with PDA detector. Optical rotations were measured on a Rudolph Autopol V automatic polarimeter and are reported as follows: $[\alpha]^{T}_{\lambda} = (c =$ g/100 mL, in solvent). IR spectra were recorded on Bruker TENSOR II IR spectrophotometer. Unless otherwise indicated, reagents obtained from commercial sources were used without further purification. Chemical reagents were purchased from Alfa, Adamas, Ark, Aladdin, Innochem, TCI, etc. Solvents were dried and distilled prior to use according to the standard methods. The azlactones were prepared according to literature procedure.¹ The nitroolefins were synthesized by following the literature procedure.² Unless otherwise indicated, all reactions below were carried out without the protection of inert gas.

2. Typical procedure for the preparation of guanidines



To a solution of iodine (12.0 mmol) and triphenylphosphine (12.0 mmol) in DCM (70 mL) was added a solution of thiourea or urea (10.0 mmol) and NEt₃ (25.0 mmol) in DCM (70 mL) under sonication. The reaction mixture was further sonicated until completion of the reaction as indicated by TLC. The crude mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure then purified by flash chromatograph using hexane to give the carbodiimide (75% yield).

A solution of sulfonyl chloride **D** (10.0 mmol) was slowly added to a stirred solution of diamine C (10.0 mmol), NEt₃ (11.0 mmol) in DCM (25 mL). The resulting mixture was stirred for another 2 hours, washed twice with water (25 mL) and dried over Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed in vacuo to give a white solid E. To a solution of F in DCM (40 mL) was added NEt₃ (11.0 mmol), isobutyl carbonochloridate (11.0 mmol) at 0 °C under stirring. After 10 min, E was added. The reaction was allowed to warm to room temperature for another 2 hours. The mixture was washed with 1 N KHSO₄ solution, saturated NaHCO₃ solution, and brine, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated to get a white solid G. Then, TFA (10 mL) was added to the DCM (10 mL) solution of G, and stirred until the reaction finished (1 h). The pH value of the mixture was brought into the range of 10–12 by the addition of 2 N NaOH solution. The aqueous phase was extracted with DCM $(3 \times 30 \text{ mL})$. The combined organic phase was washed with brine, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and concentrated and then purified through flash chromatograph to give a white solid H (70% yield). To a solution of H (3.0 mmol) and B (3.6 mmol) in DCM (15 mL) was added NEt₃ (3.0 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred for another 4 hours at room temperature. The crude mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure then purified by flash chromatograph to give the guanidine (50% yield)

For other catalysts, the synthesis method could be found in the literature.³

3. General procedure for the catalytic asymmetric reaction

3.1 General procedure for the preparation of the racemic products



The reaction was conducted with azlactone **1a** (0.10 mmol), nitroolefin **2a** (1.0 equiv, 0.10 mmol), and potassium carbonate (K_2CO_3 , 20 mol %, 2.8 mg) in THF (1.0 mL) at 25 °C. Upon the completion of this reaction, the mixture was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:15) to afford the corresponding product **3aa**.



The reaction was conducted with **3aa** (0.10 mmol), 4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP, 4.0 equiv, 48.8 mg), and acetic anhydride (Ac₂O, 4.0 equiv, 37.6 μ L) in DCM (1.0 mL) at -20 °C. Upon the completion of this reaction, the solution was dilute with water (1 mL) and then was extracted with DCM (3 x 5 mL) and the organic phase was washed with brine (10 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated. The resulting crude product was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:4, v/v) to afford the corresponding racemic product **4aa** (>95:5 dr).



The reaction was conducted with azlactone 1 (0.10 mmol), nitroolefin 2 (1.0 equiv, 0.10 mmol), and potassium carbonate (K_2CO_3 , 20 mol %, 2.8 mg) in THF (1.0 mL) at 25 °C. Upon the completion of this reaction, the mixture was filtered on Celite and concentrated *in vacuo*. then the residue was dissolved in DCM (1.0 mL), 4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP, 4.0 equiv, 48.8 mg), and acetic anhydride (Ac₂O, 4.0 equiv, 37.6 µL) was added to this solution at -20 °C, Then the mixture was stirred at the same temperature. Upon the completion of this reaction, the solution was dilute with water (1 mL) and then was extracted with DCM (3 x 5 mL) and the organic phase was washed with brine (10 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated. The resulting crude product was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:5-1:2, v/v) to afford

the corresponding racemic product 4.

3.2 General procedure for the catalytic asymmetric reactions



Nitroolefin **2** (1.0 equiv, 0.10 mmol), **GS9** (10 mol%, 7.4 mg) and THF (1.0 mL) were added to an oven-dried reaction tube. After the mixture has been stirred at -20 °C for 10 min, azlactone **1** (0.10 mmol) was added. Then the mixture was stirred at -20 °C for indicated time. Upon the completion of this reaction, the volatile was removed under reduced pressure, then the residue was dissolved in CHCl₃ (1.0 mL), 4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP, 3.2 equiv, 39.0 mg), and acetic anhydride (Ac₂O, 3.2 equiv, 30.1 µL) were added to this solution at -20 °C. Then the mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 72 h. Upon the completion of this reaction, the solution was dilute with water (1 mL) and then was extracted with DCM (3 x 5 mL). The organic phase was washed with brine (10 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated. The resulting crude product was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:5–1:2, v/v) to afford the corresponding chiral product **4**.

3.3 Experimental procedure for the scale-up reaction



Nitroolefin 2 (4.0 mmol, 0.596 g), GS9 (10 mol%, 0.294 g) and THF (40 mL) were added to an oven-dried flask. After the mixture has been stirred at -20 °C for 10 min, azlactone 1 (4.0 mmol, 1.00 g) was added in portions. Then the mixture was stirred at -20 °C for 48 h. Upon the completion of this reaction, the volatile was removed under reduced pressure, then the residue was dissolved in CHCl₃ (40 mL), 4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP, 12.8 mmol, 1.5616 g), and acetic anhydride (Ac₂O, 12.8 mmol, 1.2 mL) were added to this solution at -20 °C. Then the mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 72 h. Upon the completion of this reaction, the solution was dilute with water (40 mL) and then was extracted with DCM (3 x 20 mL) and the organic phase was washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated. The resulting crude product was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:4) to afford the corresponding product **4aa** (1.419 g, 93% yield, >95:5 dr, 92% ee).

3.4 Experimental procedure for further transformation



To a suspension of LiAlH₄ (0.25 mmol) in dry THF (1.25 mL), was added a solution of **4aa** (76.4 mg, 0.2 mmol) in dry THF (40 mL) at -20 °C under a nitrogen atmosphere. Then the mixture was stirred at -20 °C for 3 h. Saturated Na₂SO₄ (aq, 0.2 mL) was added to the mixture. After being stirred for 10 min, Na₂SO₄ (56.8 mg, 0.4 mmol) was added to the mixture. The resulting mixture was filtered on Celite and concentrated *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:1.5, v/v, then ethyl acetate/dichloromethane = 1:15, v/v) to afford product **5**.



Diethyl azodicarboxylate (DEAD, 1.3 equiv, 0.13 mmol, 20.5 μ L) was added to a stirred solution of **4aa** (0.1 mmol, 38.2 mg), triphenylphosphine (PPh₃, 1.3 equiv, 0.13 mmol, 34.1 mg) and alcohol (1.2 equiv, 0.12 mmol) in THF (0.5 mL). After 24 h at room temperature, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:15, v/v) to afford the product **6**.

4. Optimization of the reaction conditions

4.1 Optimization of the Michael reaction conditions

| Bn ↓ N ♥ Ph | + Ph NO ₂ | GS1 (10 mol%) solvent (0.1 M), 0 °C | O_2N N O_2N O_2 | N N N Cy |
|-------------------------|----------------------|--|--|--------------------------|
| 1a | 2a | | 3aa | Cy ^{-NH} GS1 |
| Entry ^a | Solvent | Yield (%) ^{b} | dr ^c | ee (%) ^c |
| 1 | DCM | 34 | 88:12 | 58 |
| 2 | toluene | 51 | 91:9 | 62 |
| 3 | THF | 60 | 92:8 | 65 |
| 4 | EtOAc | 60 | 94:6 | 58 |
| 5 | Et_2O | 58 | 93:7 | 55 |
| 6 | MeOH | 20 | 48:52 | 18/9 |
| 7 | MeCN | 39 | 64.36 | 31/0 |

4.1.1 Screening of solvents

^{*a*}Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were carried out with **1a** (0.12 mmol), **2a** (0.10 mmol), and the catalyst (10 mol%) in solvent (0.1 M) at 0 °C for 18 h. ^{*b*}Isolated yield. ^{*c*}Determined by UPC² analysis on a chiral stationary phase.

4.1.2 Screening of guanidines

6

7

GS1

GS2



60

85

7

92:8

91:9

65

54

| 8 | GS3 | 82 | >95:5 | 72 |
|----|-------------|----|-------|----|
| 9 | GS4 | 88 | 95:5 | 70 |
| 10 | GS5 | 79 | >95:5 | 77 |
| 11 | GS6 | 90 | 94:6 | 71 |
| 12 | GS7 | 82 | 92:8 | 31 |
| 13 | GS8 | 87 | >95:5 | 86 |
| 14 | GS9 | 99 | >95:5 | 90 |
| 15 | GS10 | 97 | >95:5 | 90 |
| 16 | GS11 | 93 | >95:5 | 87 |

^{*a*}Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were carried out with **1a** (0.12 mmol), **2a** (0.10 mmol), and the catalyst (10 mol%) in THF (0.1 M) at 0 °C for 18 h. ^{*b*}Isolated yield. ^{*c*}Determined by UPC² analysis on a chiral stationary phase.

4.1.3. Screening of temperature

| | $Bn \rightarrow 0$ $N \rightarrow 0$ + Ph Ph | NO ₂ GS9 (| (10 mol%) 0.1 M), T °C O₂N ↓ Bn´ | |
|--------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| | 1a | 2a | 3 | Baa |
| Entry ^a | T (°C) | Yield (%) ^{b} | dr ^c | ee (%) ^c |
| 1 | 0 | >99 | 99:1 | 90 |
| 2 | -10 | >99 | >99:1 | 90 |
| 3 | -20 | >99 | >99:1 | 92 |
| 4 | -30 | 98 | >99:1 | 91 |
| 5 | -40 | 90 | 98:2 | 84 |

^{*a*}Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were carried out with **1a** (0.12 mmol), **2a** (0.10 mmol), and the catalyst (10 mol%) in THF (0.1 M) at 0 °C for 48 h. ^{*b*}Isolated yield. ^{*c*}Determined by UPC² analysis on a chiral stationary phase.

4.2 Optimization of the Nef-type reaction conditions

4.2.1 Screening of dehydrating agent

| | O ₂ N O Ph _{Bn} N Ph 3aa | J (1 equiv) e, DCM, N₂, rt | $Ph \xrightarrow{O} \\ Ph \xrightarrow{O} \\ NH \\ N \xrightarrow{Bn O} \\ 4aa$ |
|--------------------|--|-------------------------------|---|
| Entry ^a | dehydrating agent | Yield $(\%)^b$ | dr^c |
| 1 | - | 18 | >95:5 |
| 2 | DCC (1 equiv) | 42 | >95:5 |
| 3 | HBTU (1.2 equiv) | complex | n.d. |
| 4 | MsCl (1 equiv) | trace | n.d. |
| 5 | $SOCl_2$ (1 equiv) | complex | n.d. |
| 6 | Tf_2O (1 equiv) | complex | n.d. |
| 7 | $Ac_2O(1 \text{ equiv})$ | 59 | >95:5 |
| 8 | 3Å MS (20 mg) | 17 | >95:5 |
| 9 | 4Å MS (20 mg) | 15 | >95:5 |
| 10 | 5Å MS (20 mg) | 17 | >95:5 |

^{*a*}Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were carried out with **3aa** (0.10 mmol), DBU (0.1 mmol) and the dehydrating agent in DCM (1.0 mL) at room temperature for 24 h. ^{*b*}Isolated yield. ^{*c*}Determined by ¹H NMR.

4.2.2 Screening of base

| | O_2N O Ac_2O PhBn N Ph base 3aa |) (2 equiv) ∍, DCM, rt ► Ph- | Ph O O N Bn O 4aa |
|--------------------|--|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Entry ^a | base | Yield $(\%)^b$ | dr^c |
| 1 | - | n.r. | n.d. |
| 2 | DABCO (2.0 equiv) | 35 | >95:5 |
| 3 | DBU (3.0 equiv) | 63 | >95:5 |
| 4 | KO ^t Bu (3.0 equiv) | 23 | >95:5 |
| 5 | Cs_2CO_3 (3.0 equiv) | 10 | >95:5 |
| 6 | DMAP (3.0 equiv) | 79 | >95:5 |
| 7 ^d | DMAP (4.0 equiv) | 91 | >95:5 |

^{*a*}Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were carried out with **3aa** (0.10 mmol), Ac₂O (0.2 mmol) and base (2–4 equiv) in DCM (1.0 mL) at room temperature for 24 h. ^{*b*}Isolated yield. ^{*c*}Determined by ¹H NMR. ^{*d*}Ac₂O (0.4 mmol) was used.

4.2.3. Screening of temperature

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| | O ₂ N Bn | $ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \hline \hline \hline \hline 0 \\ \hline \hline \hline \hline \hline 0 \\ \hline \hline$ | $\xrightarrow{AP} Ph \xrightarrow{O}_{N} Ph \xrightarrow{O}_{N$ |) NH |
|------------------|-------------------------|---|---|---------|
| | 3 a > 95:5 dr | aa , 90% ee | 4aa |) |
| try ^a | T (°C) | Yield (%) ^b | dr ^c | e |
| | 0 | | | 0 |

| Entrya | T (°C) | Y teld $(\%)^{b}$ | dre | $ee(\%)^a$ | |
|--------|--------|-------------------|-------|------------|--|
| 1 | 0 | 80 | >95:5 | 88 | |
| 2 | -10 | 78 | >95:5 | 88 | |
| 3 | -20 | 83 | >95:5 | 89 | |
| 4 | -30 | 79 | >95:5 | 89 | |
| 5 | -40 | 73 | >95:5 | 89 | |

(0/)d

^{*a*}Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were carried out with **3aa** (0.1 mmol), DMAP (0.40 mmol) and Ac₂O (0.4 mmol) in DCM (0.1 M) at T °C for 72 h. ^{*b*}Isolated yield. ^{*c*}Determined by ¹H NMR. ^{*d*}Determined by UPC² analysis on a chiral stationary phase.

4.3. Optimization of the sequential reaction conditions



| Entry ^a | Solvent | Yield (%) ^{b} | dr ^c | ee (%) ^d |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1 | DCM | 61 | >95:5 | 82 |
| 2 | Toluene | 53 | >95:5 | 88 |
| 3 | EtOAc | 64 | >95:5 | 84 |
| 4 | THF | 59 | >95:5 | 80 |
| 5 | CHCl ₃ | 70 | >95:5 | 89 |

| 6 ^e | CHCl ₃ | 78 | >95:5 | 90 |
|-----------------------|-------------------|----|-------|----|
| 7 ^f | CHCl ₃ | 66 | >95:5 | 88 |
| 8 ^{e,g} | CHCl ₃ | 86 | >95:5 | 90 |

^{*a*}Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were carried out with **1a** (0.12 mmol), **2a** (0.10 mmol) and **GS9** (10 mol%) in THF (0.1 M) at -20 °C for 48 h. After removal of solvent, DMAP (0.4 mmol), Ac₂O (0.4 mmol) in solvent (1.0 mL) were added, and the mixture continued stirring at -20 °C for 72 h. ^{*b*}Isolated yield. ^{*c*}Determined by ¹H NMR. ^{*d*}Determined by UPC2 analysis on a chiral stationary phase. ^{*e*}**1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (0.10 mmol) were used. ^{*f*}**1a** (0.1 mmol), **2a** (0.12 mmol) were used. ^{*g*}DMAP (0.32 mmol), Ac₂O (0.32 mmol) were used.

5. Determination of the structure of the Michael addition product



5.1 Preparation of Michael addition products

The reaction was conducted with azlactone **1a** (0.10 mmol), nitroolefin **2a** (1.0 equiv, 0.10 mmol), and potassium carbonate (K_2CO_3 , 20 mol %, 2.8 mg) in THF (1.0 mL) at 25 °C. Upon the completion of this reaction, the mixture was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:25) to afford the corresponding product **3aa** and **9aa**.

When the Michael addition reaction was catalyzed by potassium carbonate, C4 adduct (**3aa**) and C2 adduct (**9aa**) could be obtained at the same time. Additionally, the pair of diastereoisomers of **3aa** could be isolated by silica gel column chromatography. When the Michael addition reaction was catalyzed by chiral guanidine-sulfonamide, the formation of C2 adduct would be repressed obviously and no **9aa** was observed.



To our surprise when azlactone 1a and nitroolefin 2a were treated with TMG and excessive DBU, a fused succinimide oxazoline **4aa** was isolated in trace amount, which intrigued us for sequential transformation.

5.2 Transformation of Michael addition products



In order to confirm the structure of the Michael addition products, the following transformation experiments were designed. The ring-opening reaction of **3aa** in methanol could be readily carried out to yield the lactonization product **7**, whereas **9aa** fails to react under the same conditions. The Nef-type reaction of **3aa** could also be readily carried out under standard conditions to yield **4aa**, whereas **9aa** will decompose under the same conditions. These results indicate that **3aa** is the C4 adduct and **9aa** might be the C2 adduct.

5.3 Copies of NMR spectra

3aa



210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 f1 (ppm)







6. Control experiments



Procedure:

(a) Nitroolefin 2c (0.10 mmol, 19.3 mg), GS9 (10 mol %, 7.4 mg) and THF (1.0 mL) were added to an oven-dried reaction tube. After the mixture has been stirred at -20 °C for 10 min, azlactone 1a (0.10 mmol, 25.1 mg) was added. Then the mixture was stirred at -20 °C for 48 h. Upon the

completion of this reaction, the resulting crude product was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:10, v/v) to afford the corresponding product **3ac**.

- (b) Nitroolefin 2h (0.10 mmol, 20.7 mg), GS9 (10 mol %, 7.4 mg) and THF (1.0 mL) were added to an oven-dried reaction tube. After the mixture has been stirred at -20 °C for 10 min, azlactone 1a (0.10 mmol, 25.1 mg) was added. Then the mixture was stirred at -20 °C for 48 h. Upon the completion of this reaction, the resulting crude product was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:10, v/v) to afford the corresponding product 3ah.
- (c) Nitroolefin 2a (0.10 mmol, 14.9 mg), GS9 (10 mol %, 7.4 mg) and THF (1.0 mL) were added to an oven-dried reaction tube. After the mixture has been stirred at -20 °C for 10 min, azlactone 1y (0.10 mmol, 34.4 mg) was added. Then the mixture was stirred at -20 °C for 48 h. Upon the completion of this reaction, the resulting crude product was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:15, v/v) to afford the corresponding product 3ya.
- (d) 3ah (0.09 mmol, 41.2 mg), 3ac (0.09 mmol, 40.0 mg) and CHCl₃ (2.0 mL) were added to an oven-dried reaction tube, 4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP, 0.72 mmol, 87.8 g), and acetic anhydride (Ac₂O, 0.72 mmol, 67.7 μL) was added to this solution at -20 °C, then the mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 72 h. Upon the completion of this reaction, the solution was dilute with water (1 mL) and then was extracted with DCM (3 x 5 mL) and the organic phase was washed with brine (10 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated. The resulting crude product was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:5-1:2, v/v) to afford the corresponding product 4ah and 4ac.
- (e) 3ah (0.09 mmol, 41.2 mg), 3ya (0.09 mmol, 44.4 mg) and CHCl₃ (2.0 mL) were added to an oven-dried reaction tube, 4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP, 0.72 mmol, 87.8 g), and acetic anhydride (Ac₂O, 0.72 mmol, 67.7 μL) was added to this solution at -20 °C, then the mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 72 h. Upon the completion of this reaction, the solution was dilute with water (1 mL) and then was extracted with DCM (3 x 5 mL) and the organic phase was washed with brine (10 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated. The resulting crude product was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:5-1:2, v/v) to afford the corresponding product 4ah and 4ya.
- (f) 3aa (0.10 mmol, 40.0 mg) and CHCl₃ (1.0 mL) were added to an oven-dried reaction tube, 4dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP, 0.40 mmol, 48.8 g), and acetic anhydride (Ac₂O, 0.40 mmol, 37.6 μL) were added to this solution at -20 °C, then the mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 72 h. Upon the completion of this reaction, the solution was dilute with water (1 mL) and then was extracted with DCM (3 x 5 mL) and the organic phase was washed with brine (10 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated. The resulting crude product was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:4, v/v) to afford the corresponding product 4aa.
- (g) 3aa (0.30 mmol, 12.0 mg), 4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP, 0.60 mmol, 73.2 g), MeOH (0.6 mL) and THF (2.4 mL) were added to an oven-dried reaction tube, then the mixture was stirred at the room temperature for 72 h. The mixture was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:6) to afford the corresponding product 7. Then, 7 (0.10 mmol, 43.2 mg) and CHCl₃ (1.0 mL) were added to an oven-dried reaction tube,

4-dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP, 0.40 mmol, 48.8 g), and acetic anhydride (Ac₂O, 0.40 mmol, 37.6 μ L) were added to this solution at -20 °C, then the mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 72 h. Upon the completion of this reaction, the solution was dilute with water (1 mL) and then was extracted with DCM (3 x 5 mL) and the organic phase was washed with brine (10 mL), dried (Na₂SO₄) and concentrated. The resulting crude product was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel (eluent: ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 1:5, v/v) to afford the corresponding product **8**.

7. X-ray crystallography of (±)-4aa

The colourless crystal in block-shape, with approximate dimensions of $0.138 \times 0.300 \times 0.500 \text{ mm}^3$, was selected and mounted for the single-crystal X-ray diffraction. The data set was collected by Bruker D8 Venture Photon II diffractometer at 173(2)K equipped with micro-focus Cu radiation source ($K_{\alpha} = 1.54178$ Å). Applied with face-indexed numerical absorption correction, the structure solution was solved and refinement was processed by SHELXTL (version 6.14) and OLEX 2.3 program package^{a, b, c, d}. The relatively large standard uncertainty indicates that the structural data alone should not be used to confirm absolute stereochemistry, but should be used in conjunction with the established stereochemistry of the precursor compound. The structure was analyzed by ADDSYM routine implemented in PLATON suite and no higher symmetry was suggested^e. CCDC 2336953 contains the supplementary crystallographic data which can be obtained free of charge from The Cambrige Crystallographic Data Centere via <u>https://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/structures/</u>.



Figure 1. The thermal ellipsoid figure of 4aa with 50% probabilities.

The crystal of product **4aa** was obtained in the solvents of toluene and hexane by diffusion. CCDC: 2336953.

| Crystallographi | c Data for | C24 H18 N2 O3 | |
|-----------------|------------|---------------|--|
| 2 0 1 | | | |

| Formula | C24 H18 N2 O3 |
|---|---|
| Formula mass (amu) | 382.40 |
| Space group | <i>P</i> 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ |
| <i>a</i> (Å) | 8.6718(3) |
| b (Å) | 9.0165(3) |
| <i>c</i> (Å) | 24.3506(9) |
| α (deg) | 90 |
| β (deg) | 90 |
| γ (deg) | 90 |
| $V(Å^3)$ | 1903.96(12) |
| Ζ | 4 |
| λ (Å) | 1.54178 |
| <i>T</i> (K) | 173(2) K |
| $ ho_{ m calcd} ({ m g \ cm^{-3}})$ | 1.334 |
| μ (mm ⁻¹) | 0.720 |
| Transmission factors | 0.587–1.000 |
| $\theta_{\max}(\deg)$ | 79.911 |
| No. of unique data, including $F_{o}^2 < 0$ | 4015 |
| No. of unique data, with $F_o^2 > 2\sigma(F_o^2)$ | 3719 |
| No. of variables | 266 |
| $R(F)$ for $F_{o}^{2} > 2\sigma(F_{o}^{2})^{a}$ | 0.0533 |
| $R_{\rm w}(F_{ m o}^{-2})^{\ b}$ | 0.1429 |
| Goodness of fit | 1.068 |

^{*a*} $R(F) = \sum ||F_{o}| - |F_{c}|| / \sum |F_{o}|.$

^b $R_{\rm w}(F_{\rm o}^2) = \left[\sum [w(F_{\rm o}^2 - F_{\rm c}^2)^2] / \sum wF_{\rm o}^4\right]^{1/2}; w^{-1} = [\sigma^2(F_{\rm o}^2) + (Ap)^2 + Bp], \text{ where } p = [\max(F_{\rm o}^2, 0) + 2F_{\rm c}^2] / 3.$

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8. Characterization of the products

3a-Benzyl-2,6a-diphenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[3,4-d]oxazole-4,6(5H)-dione (4aa)

White solid, **M.p.** 88 – 89 °C; 32.9 mg, 86% yield, >95:5 dr, 92% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +24.3$ (c = 0.61, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 6.8 min, 10.0 min. dr >95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.31 (s, 1H), 8.10 – 8.08 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.48 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.34 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.11 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 7.02 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 6.91 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.50 – 6.48 (m, 2H), 3.45 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} **NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 175.4, 174.1, 164.1, 133.6, 132.9, 131.9, 130.5, 129.4, 129.1 128.8, 127.6, 126.5, 126.2, 125.7, 91.4, 83.2, 36.6 ppm.

IR (neat): *v*(cm⁻¹) 3213, 3064, 3033, 2761, 2351, 1792, 1733, 1642, 1603, 1580, 1496, 1451, 1330, 1215, 1093, 1066, 1027, 975, 761, 696, 641, 501.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{24}H_{19}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 383.1390, found 383.1394.



3a-Benzyl-2-phenyl-6a-(p-tolyl)-3a,6a-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[3,4-d]oxazole-4,6(5H)-dione (4ab)



White solid, **M.p.** 98 – 99 °C; 29.6 mg, 75% yield, >95:5 dr, 83% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +39.1$ (*c* = 0.58, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 6.9 min, 12.8 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.30 (s, 1H), 8.12 – 8.03 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.47 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.13 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 7.03 – 6.96 (m, 3H), 6.92 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 6.53 – 6.52 (m, 2H), 3.40 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.5, 174.2, 164.1, 139.4, 133.7, 132.8, 130.5, 129.4, 129.1, 128. 9, 128.8, 127.5, 126.5, 126.1, 125.8, 91.4, 83.1, 36.7, 21.4 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3212, 3063, 3031, 2924, 2761, 1793, 1732, 1642, 1580, 1517, 1496, 1452, 1331, 1215, 1187, 1092, 1066, 1030, 976, 812, 782, 734, 697, 649, 608, 584, 504.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{25}H_{21}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 397.1547, found 397.1553.



3a-Benzyl-6a-(4-ethoxyphenyl)-2-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ac)



Yellow solid, **M.p.** 96 – 97 °C; 33.2 mg, 78% yield, >95:5 dr, 88% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ = +49.0 (*c* = 0.73, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 3.1 min, 6.9 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ =9.33 (s, 1H), 8.08 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.57 – 7.53 (m, 1H), 7.47 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.03 – 6.98 (m, 3H), 6.95 – 6.91 (m, 2H), 6.83 – 6.81 (m, 2H), 6.57 – 6.55 (m, 2H), 4.06 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.39 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 1.45 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.5, 174.3, 164.1, 159.8, 133.8, 132.8, 130.5, 129.1, 128.8, 127.6, 127.5, 126.5, 125.8, 123.6, 114.7, 91.3, 83.1, 63.8, 36.8, 14.9 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3199, 3063, 2981, 2930, 2762, 1792, 1729, 1641, 1614, 1580, 1515, 1496, 1478, 1452, 1392, 1306, 1249, 1217, 1181, 1091, 1066, 1047, 1029, 975, 923, 827, 782, 735, 697, 624, 571, 523, 500, 432.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{26}H_{23}N_2O_4^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 427.1652, found 427.1657.



6a-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-3a-Benzyl-2-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)dione (4ad)



White solid, **M.p.** 116 – 117 °C; 38.5 mg, 84% yield, >95:5 dr, 90% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +94.3$ (*c* = 0.57, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK **OD-3**, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 7.6 min, 8.5, min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ =9.25 (s, 1H), 8.13 – 8.11 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.56 (m, 3H), 7.52 – 7.46 (m, 6H), 7.43 – 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.16 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 7.03 – 7.00 (m, 1H), 6.91 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.57 – 6.55 (m, 2H), 3.47 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 175.4, 174.0, 164.2, 142.4, 140.4, 133.7, 132.9, 130.8, 130.3, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.0, 127.6, 127.4, 127.3, 126.6, 126.5, 125.7, 91.3, 83.5, 36.8 ppm. IR (neat): ν (cm⁻¹) 3193, 3061, 3031, 2760, 1792, 1729, 1641, 1602, 1580, 1521, 1491, 1451, 1430, 1405, 1329, 1264, 1215, 1160, 1091, 1066, 1029, 1007, 977, 954, 901, 834, 762, 733, 695, 652, 634, 591, 575, 546, 502, 475, 440.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{30}H_{22}N_2O_3K^+$ ([M]+K⁺) = 497.1262, found 497.1265.



3a-Benzyl-6a-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ae)



White solid, **M.p.** 90 – 91 °C; 28.1 mg, 67% yield, >95:5 dr, 85% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ = +44.5 (*c* = 0.53, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 8.4 min, 9.2 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.34 (s, 1H), 8.08 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.59 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.49 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 7.04 – 6.98 (m, 3H), 6.95 – 6.91 (m, 2H), 6.55 – 6.53 (m, 2H), 3.43 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.2, 173.6, 164.1, 135.5, 133.5, 133.0, 130.6, 130.1, 129.1, 128.9, 128.9, 127.8, 127.6, 126.7, 125.5, 90.9, 83.4, 36.77 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3212, 3063, 2926, 2762, 1793, 1729, 1642, 1601, 1580, 1494, 1452, 1430, 1403, 1330, 1214, 1091, 1066, 1029, 1012, 978, 954, 901, 821, 782, 757, 738, 696, 647, 622, 590, 504, 484, 448.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{24}H_{18}^{34.9659}ClN_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 417.1000, found 417.1001.



3a-Benzyl-6a-(4-iodophenyl)-2-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4af)



White solid, **M.p.** 113 – 114 °C; 40.2 mg, 79% yield, >95:5 dr, 88% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +58.4$ (c = 0.78, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 14.2 min, 16.5 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ =9.38 (s, 1H), 8.08 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.57 (m, 3H), 7.49 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.05 – 7.01 (m, 1H), 6.95 – 6.91 (m, 2H), 6.79 – 6.77 (m, 2H), 6.54 – 6.52 (m, 2H), 3.42 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.2, 173.5, 164.1, 137.8, 133.5, 133.0, 131.8, 130.1, 129.1, 128.9, 127.9, 127.8, 126.7, 125.5, 95.2, 90.1, 83.4, 36.76 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3194, 3062, 2920, 2851, 2761, 1793, 1725, 1641, 1602, 1580, 1489, 1451, 1430, 1394, 1264, 1214, 1161, 1090, 1065, 1028, 1004, 978, 951, 900, 814, 781, 734, 694, 646, 622, 589, 571, 502, 474, 436.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{24}H_{18}IN_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 509.0357, found 509.0363.



3a-Benzyl-2-phenyl-6a-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ag)



White solid, **M.p.** 93 – 94 °C; 20.3 mg, 45% yield, >95:5 dr, 88% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +19.7$ (*c* = 0.30, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 95/5, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 6.9 min, 10.0 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.03 (s, 1H), 8.11 – 8.09 (m, 2H), 7.62 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.52 – 7.47 (m, 4H), 7.17 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 7.02 – 6.99 (m, 1H), 6.89 – 6.85 (m, 2H), 6.48 – 6.46 (m, 2H), 3.46 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 3.00 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 174.8, 173.1, 164.1, 136.0, 133.4, 133.2, 129.9, 129.2, 129.0, 127.9, 126.7, 126.6, 125.6 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 125.4, 125.1, 122.4, 90.8, 83.8, 36.8 ppm.

¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) $\delta = -62.82$ ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3221, 3066, 2927, 2764, 1795, 1734, 1644, 1581, 1496, 1452, 1414, 1326, 1215, 1170, 1125, 1092, 1070, 1029, 1015, 980, 835, 781, 753, 695, 647, 607, 503, 441.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{25}H_{18}F_3N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 451.1264, found 451.1260.



Methyl 4-(3a-benzyl-4,6-dioxo-2-phenyl-3a,4,5,6-tetrahydro-6a*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazol-6a-yl)benzoate (4ah)



White solid, **M.p.** 102 - 103 °C; 24.9 mg, 57% yield, >95:5 dr, 87% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +64.6$ (c = 0.40, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 11.6 min, 15.5 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.27 (s, 1H), 8.09 – 8.08 (m, 2H), 7.97 – 7.95 (m, 2H), 7.60 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.49 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 7.02 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 6.88 – 6.84 (m, 2H), 6.48 – 6.46 (m, 2H), 3.97 (s, 3H), 3.47 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 175.0, 173.4, 164.1, 136.9, 133.3, 133.1, 131.0, 130.2,

129.9, 129.1, 128.9, 127.7, 126.7, 126.4, 125.5, 91.1, 83.6, 52.6, 36.6 ppm.

IR (neat): *v*(cm⁻¹) 3199, 3064, 2953, 2762, 1794, 1726, 1643, 1580, 1495, 1452, 1436, 1410, 1329, 1282, 1215, 1195, 1112, 1091, 1066, 1030, 1015, 957, 902, 852, 827, 772, 733, 697, 647, 591, 504, 439.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{26}H_{21}N_2O_5^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 441.1445, found 441.1447.



3a-Benzyl-2-phenyl-6a-(o-tolyl)-3a,6a-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[3,4-d]oxazole-4,6(5H)-dione (4ai)



White solid, **M.p.** 88 – 89 °C; 34.6 mg, 87% yield, >95:5 dr, 88% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +22.8$ (*c* = 0.69, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK **OD-3**, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 7.2 min, 8.8 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) $\delta = 9.33$ (s, 1H), 8.10 – 8.08 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.49 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.02 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 6.95 – 6.88 (m, 3H), 6.81 (s, 1H), 6.49 – 6.48 (m, 2H), 3.45 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.5, 174.3, 164.1, 138.6, 133.6, 132.8, 131.7, 130.5, 130.1, 129.1, 128. 8, 128.7, 127.4, 127.1, 126.5, 125.8, 123.1, 91.4, 83.1, 36.6, 21.5 ppm.

IR (neat): ν (cm⁻¹) 3195, 3062, 2921, 2759, 1792, 1729, 1641, 1607, 1580, 1494, 1451, 1330, 1269, 1222, 1179, 1091, 1067, 1029, 1000, 976, 836, 782, 735, 696, 642, 623, 577, 526, 497, 472, 437. **HRMS** (ESI-FT) calcd for C₂₅H₂₁N₂O₃⁺ ([M]+H⁺) = 397.1547, found 397.1549.



3a-Benzyl-6a-(2-methoxyphenyl)-2-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)dione (4aj)



White solid, **M.p.** 108 – 109 °C; 36.3 mg, 88% yield, >95:5 dr, 92% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +98.1$ (c = 0.75, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 3.9 min, 4.7 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ =8.85 (s, 1H), 8.06 – 8.05 (m, 2H), 7.56 – 7.52 (m, 1H), 7.46 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 7.12 – 7.09 (m, 1H), 7.00 – 6.93 (m, 2H), 6.87 – 6.83 (m, 3H), 6.49 – 6.47 (m, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.70 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.75 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.6, 174.5, 163.2, 155.0, 134.2, 132.6, 130.7, 129.0, 128.7, 128.2, 127.2, 126.2, 126.0, 121.7, 121.6, 111.1, 90.2, 82.5, 55.6, 35.9 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3213, 3062, 2940, 2841, 2765, 1793, 1724, 1645, 1603, 1582, 1493, 1452, 1331, 1293, 1256, 1215, 1182, 1163, 1124, 1091, 1067, 1023, 976, 954, 753, 737, 696, 638, 596, 572, 509, 477, 456, 430.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{25}H_{21}N_2O_4^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 413.1496, found 413.1501.



3a-Benzyl-6a-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)dione (4ak)



White solid, **M.p.** 88 – 89 °C; 26.9 mg, 67% yield, >95:5 dr, 79% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ = +40.1 (*c* = 0.30, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 4.7 min, 5.8 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ =8.75 (s, 1H), 8.08 – 8.02 (m, 2H), 7.59 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.49 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.21 – 7.17 (m, 1H), 7.13 – 7.09 (m, 1H), 7.03 - 6.95 (m, 2H), 6.88 – 6.84 (m, 2H), 6.54 – 6.52 (m, 2H), 3.76 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ =174.6, 172.9, 163.3, 133.7, 132.9, 131.4, 131.3, 129.1, 128.9 (d, *J* = 286.0 Hz), 128.8, 126.5, 125.6, 124.9, 124.8, 120.8, 120.6, 115.7 (d, *J* = 20.1 Hz), 88.9, 83.0, 36.1 ppm.

¹⁹**F**{¹**H**} **NMR** (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) $\delta = -111.18$ ppm.

IR (neat): ν (cm⁻¹) 3213, 3064, 2763, 1796, 1730, 1645, 1603, 1582, 1491, 1454, 1329, 1288, 1221, 1198, 1160, 1089, 1066, 1027, 977, 953, 815, 759, 735, 695, 655, 635, 575, 541, 497, 456. **HRMS** (ESI-FT) calcd for C₂₄H₁₈FN₂O₃⁺ ([M]+H⁺) = 439.1264, found 439.1263.



3a-Benzyl-6a-(3-bromophenyl)-2-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)dione (4al)



White solid, **M.p.** 109 – 110 °C; 23.4 mg, 51% yield, >95:5 dr, 86% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +20.9$ (c = 1.21, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 6.8 min, 8.6 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.58 (s, 1H), 8.09 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.59 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.53 – 7.45 (m, 3H), 7.22 – 7.18 (m, 1H), 7.14 (s, 1H), 7.05 – 7.03 (m, 2H), 6.96 – 6.92 (m, 2H), 6.52 – 6.50 (m, 2H), 3.50 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 175.3, 173.6, 164.1, 134.1, 133.2, 133.0, 132.5, 130.2, 130.1, 129.7, 129.1, 128.9, 127.7, 126.8, 125.4, 124.6, 123.2, 90.6, 83.3, 36.6 ppm.

IR (neat): ν (cm⁻¹) 3120, 3063, 2760, 1793, 1725, 1641, 1600, 1578, 1495, 1476, 1452, 1428, 1329, 1264, 1214, 1090, 1067, 1028, 999, 977, 879, 783, 759, 737, 695, 639, 622, 576, 498, 472, 434. **HRMS** (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{24}H_{18}^{78,9183}BrN_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 461.0495, found 461.0497,

 $C_{24}H_{18}^{80.9163}BrN_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 463.0475, found 463.0474.



6a-(Benzo[*d*][1,3]dioxol-5-yl)-3a-benzyl-2-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4am)



White solid, **M.p.** 105 – 106 °C; 33.9 mg, 80% yield, >95:5 dr, 88% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ = +41.2 (*c* = 0.79, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO2/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 11.2 min, 12.8 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.36 (s, 1H), 8.08 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.48 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.05 – 7.02 (m, 1H), 6.98 – 6.95 (m, 2H), 6.76 – 6.74 (m, 1H), 6.65 – 6.63 (m, 2H), 6.60 – 6.57 (m, 1H), 6.49 – 6.48 (m, 1H), 5.99 – 5.98 (m, 2H), 3.43 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 3.02 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.4, 174.1, 164.0, 148.5, 148.2, 133.9, 132.9, 130.3, 129.1, 128.8, 127.6, 126.6, 125.6, 125.6, 120.0, 108.5, 107.2, 101.6, 91.2, 83.3, 36.8 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3196, 3063, 2771, 1792, 1731, 1642, 1580, 1493, 1449, 1330, 1284, 1250, 1146, 1108, 1091, 977, 933, 871, 812, 782, 734, 696, 644, 621, 573, 499, 472, 422.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{25}H_{19}N_2O_5^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 427.1288, found 427.1287.



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3a-Benzyl-6a-(naphthalen-1-yl)-2-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4an)



White solid, **M.p.** 114 – 115 °C; 16.7 mg, 39% yield, >95:5 dr, 88% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +172.7$ (c = 0.26, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 9.3 min, 14.1 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 8.99 (s, 1H), 8.16 – 8.15 (m, 2H), 8.00 – 7.98 (m, 1H), 7.90 – 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.62 – 7.58 (m, 4H), 7.52 – 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.39 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.25 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 6.89 – 6.85 (m, 1H), 6.74 – 6.70 (m, 2H), 6.13 – 6.11 (m, 2H), 3.73 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.0, 173.3, 163.1, 134.3, 133.9, 132.9, 130.5, 130.1, 130.0, 129.5, 129.1, 128.9, 128.0, 127.4, 127.2, 127.0, 126.2, 126.0, 125.8, 125.4, 122.8, 91.4, 83.5, 35.9 ppm.

IR (neat): ν (cm⁻¹) 3193, 3061, 2758, 1792, 1733, 1646, 1601, 1580, 1513, 1496, 1452, 1329, 1216, 1178, 1109, 1093, 1073, 1028, 984, 931, 857, 798, 775, 754, 734, 696, 641, 622, 528, 489, 417. **HRMS** (ESI-FT) calcd for C₂₈H₂₁N₂O₃⁺ ([M]+H⁺) = 433.1547, found 433.1547.



3a-Benzyl-6a-(naphthalen-2-yl)-2-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ao)



White solid, **M.p.** 128 – 129 °C; 32.2 mg, 75% yield, >95:5 dr, 85% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +93.4$ (c = 0.47, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 5.2 min, 7.4 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.28 (s, 1H), 8.16 – 8.13 (m, 2H), 7.88 – 7.82 (m, 2H), 7.69 – 7.67 (m, 1H), 7.61 – 7.48 (m, 6H), 7.20 – 7.18 (m, 1H), 6.90 – 6.86 (m, 1H), 6.68 – 6.64 (m, 2H), 6.36 – 6.34 (m, 2H), 3.46 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 3.02 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.4, 174.0, 164.2, 133.4, 133.3, 133.0, 132.9, 130.3, 129.2, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 127.8, 127.4, 127.2, 127.0 126.6, 126.5, 125.8, 122.8, 91.6, 83.1, 36.8 ppm.

IR (neat): ν (cm⁻¹) 3217, 3061, 2760, 1793, 1731, 1642, 1602, 1580, 1495, 1452, 1431, 1330, 1273, 1215, 1186, 1131, 1092, 1067, 1029, 978, 935, 905, 858, 816, 781, 743, 696, 647, 624, 495, 476. **HRMS** (ESI-FT) calcd for C₂₈H₂₁N₂O₃⁺ ([M]+H⁺) = 433.1547, found 433.1549.


3a-Benzyl-6a-(furan-2-yl)-2-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ap)



White solid, **M.p.** 82 – 83 °C; 18.6 mg, 50% yield, >95:5 dr, 86% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{436} = -37.1$ (*c* = 0.55, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 4.9 min, 6.9 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ =9.05 (s, 1H), 8.04 – 8.02 (m, 2H), 7.57 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.10 – 7.00 (m, 3H), 6.76 – 6.74 (m, 2H), 6.39 – 6.38 (m, 1H), 6.35 – 6.34 (m, 1H), 3.43 (m, 2H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 174.7, 171.1, 163.7, 144.3, 144.0, 133.8, 132.9, 129.8, 129.1, 128.7, 127.9, 127.0, 125.6, 112.5, 111.3, 86.4, 83.6, 37.2 ppm.

IR (neat): ν (cm⁻¹) 3200, 3064, 2763, 1794, 1732, 1643, 1603, 1580, 1496, 1452, 1329, 1294, 1267, 1235, 1216, 1154, 1094, 1066, 1030, 1005, 961, 886, 819, 782, 741, 696, 640, 594, 501, 431. **HRMS** (ESI-FT) calcd for C₂₂H₁₇N₂O₄⁺ ([M]+H⁺) = 373.1183, found 373.1183.



3a-Benzyl-6a-(furan-3-yl)-2-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[3,4-d]oxazole-4,6(5H)-dione (4aq)



White solid, **M.p.** 76 – 77 °C; 16.9 mg, 45% yield, >95:5 dr, 87% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{436} = -25.4$ (c = 0.98, in CH_2Cl_2).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OD-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 6.7 min, 8.3 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.20 (s, 1H), 8.04 – 8.02 (m, 2H), 7.56 – 7.52 (m, 1H), 7.50 -7.49 (m, 1H) 7.46 -7.42 (m, 2H), 7.18 (m, 1H), 7.11 - 7.03 (m, 3H), 6.81 - 6.80 (m, 2H), 6.30 -6.29 (m, 1H), 3.34 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 3.28 (d, J = 14.6 Hz, 1H) ppm.

 $^{13}C{^1H} NMR (100 \text{ MHz, Chloroform-}d) \delta = 175.0, 172.7, 164.0, 144.0, 142.0, 133.7, 132.8, 130.1, 100 \text{ MHz, Chloroform-}d) \delta = 175.0, 172.7, 164.0, 144.0, 142.0, 133.7, 132.8, 130.1, 100 \text{ MHz, Chloroform-}d) \delta = 175.0, 172.7, 164.0, 144.0, 142.0, 133.7, 132.8, 130.1, 100 \text{ MHz, Chloroform-}d) \delta = 175.0, 172.7, 164.0, 144.0, 142.0, 133.7, 132.8, 130.1, 100 \text{ MHz, Chloroform-}d) \delta = 175.0, 172.7, 164.0, 144.0, 142.0, 133.7, 132.8, 130.1, 100 \text{ MHz, Chloroform-}d) \delta = 175.0, 172.7, 164.0, 144.0, 142.0, 142.0, 133.7, 132.8, 130.1, 100 \text{ MHz, Chloroform-}d) \delta = 175.0, 172.7, 164.0, 144.0, 142.0, 142.0, 133.7, 132.8, 130.1, 100 \text{ MHz, Chloroform-}d) \delta = 175.0, 172.7, 164.0, 144.0, 142.0, 142.0, 133.7, 132.8, 130.1, 100 \text{ MHz, Chloroform-}d) \delta = 175.0, 172.7, 164.0, 144.0, 142.0, 142.0, 133.7, 132.8, 130.1, 100 \text{ MHz, Chloroform-}d) \delta = 175.0, 172.7, 164.0, 144.0, 142.0, 142.0, 133.7, 132.8, 130.1, 100 \text{ MHz, Chloroform-}d) \delta = 175.0, 172.7, 164.0, 144.0, 142.0, 142.0, 133.7, 132.8, 130.1, 100 \text{ MHz, Chloroform-}d) \delta = 175.0, 172.7, 164.0, 144.0, 142.0, 142.0, 133.7, 132.8, 130.1, 100 \text{ MHz, Chloroform-}d) \delta = 175.0, 172.7, 164.0, 144.0, 142.0, 142.0, 133.7, 132.8, 130.1, 100 \text{ MHz, Chloroform-}d) \delta = 175.0, 172.7, 164.0, 144.0, 142.0, 142.0, 133.7, 132.8, 130.1, 100 \text{ MHz, Chloroform-}d) \delta = 175.0, 172.7, 164.0, 144.0, 142.0, 142.0, 142.0, 142.0, 140.0, 1$ 129.0, 128.7, 127.8, 126.9, 125.5, 117.0, 108.7, 87.1, 82.4, 37.2 ppm.

IR (neat): v(cm⁻¹) 3152, 3064, 2761, 1793, 1729, 1641, 1602, 1580, 1497, 1452, 1432, 1330, 1295, 1265, 1219, 1163, 1092, 1065, 1029, 968, 893, 875, 799, 784, 735, 696, 640, 600, 502, 474, 434. **HRMS** (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{22}H_{17}N_2O_4^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 373.1183, found 373.1189.



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3a-Benzyl-2-phenyl-6a-(thiophen-2-yl)-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ar)



Yellow solid, **M.p.** 189 – 190 °C; 23.7 mg, 61% yield, >95:5 dr, 88% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{436} = -25.7$ (c = 0.41, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 9.8 min, 10.6 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.11 (s, 1H), 8.06 – 8.04 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.47 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.39 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.08 – 6.97 (m, 4H), 6.84 – 6.83 (m, 1H), 6.67 – 6.66 (m, 2H), 3.39 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 3.29 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ* = 174.6 172.4, 163.7, 134.3, 133.8, 132.9, 130.1, 129.2, 128.8, 127.9, 127.5, 127.3, 127.2, 126.7, 125.5, 89.4, 83.7, 37.2 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3211, 3065, 2762, 1794, 1733, 1643, 1603, 1580, 1495, 1452, 1432, 1328, 1245, 1197, 1091, 1066, 1028, 968, 913, 850, 782, 736, 696, 640, 499, 428.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{22}H_{16}N_2O_3SNa^+$ ([M]+Na⁺) = 411.0774, found 411.0762.



3a-Benzyl-2-phenyl-6a-((*E*)-prop-1-en-1-yl)-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4as)



White solid, **M.p.** 100 – 101 °C; 12.2 mg, 35% yield, >95:5 dr, 81% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = -36.9$ (c = 0.16, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OD-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 5.3 min, 6.1 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 8.83 (s, 1H), 8.00 – 7.99 (m, 2H), 7.54 – 7.51 (m, 1H), 7.44

- 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.26 - 7.17 (m, 5H), 5.97 - 5.88 (m, 1H), 5.36 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 3.43 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 3.31 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 1.78 - 1.76 (m, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.1, 173.3, 164.0, 134.6, 132.7, 132.4, 131.1, 129.0, 128.7, 128.1, 127.1, 125.9, 121.6, 89.8, 83.0, 37.4, 18.3 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3212, 3063, 2922, 2854, 2761, 1792, 1730, 1672, 1640, 1602, 1580, 1496, 1451, 1332, 1296, 1224, 1159, 1090, 1068, 1028, 965, 934, 781, 735, 696, 625, 501, 432.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{21}H_{18}N_2O_3Na^+$ ([M]+Na⁺) = 369.1210, found 369.1212.



3a-Benzyl-2-phenyl-6a-((*E*)-styryl)-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4at)



White solid, **M.p.** 83 – 84 °C; 17.3 mg, 42% yield, >95:5 dr, 67% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ = +45.0 (*c* = 0.26, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 4.1 min, 7.1 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) $\delta = 8.70$ (s, 1H), 8.07 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.48 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.39 – 7.30 (m, 5H), 7.21 – 7.12 (m, 5H), 6.77 (d, J = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 5.93 (d, J = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 3.40 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 174.8, 172.8, 164.1, 134.9, 134.5, 134.4, 132.9, 131.1, 129.1, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.3, 127.3, 127.2, 125.8, 119.2, 90.2, 84.1, 37.5 ppm.

IR (neat): *v*(cm⁻¹) 3216, 3062, 3030, 2925, 2761, 1792, 1733, 1640, 1602, 1580, 1496, 1451, 1330, 1216, 1155, 1091, 1067, 1029, 965, 782, 738, 695, 645, 567, 546, 492.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{26}H_{20}N_2O_3K^+$ ([M]+K⁺) = 447.1106, found 447.1106.



3a-Benzyl-6a-phenyl-2-(p-tolyl)-3a,6a-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[3,4-d]oxazole-4,6(5H)-dione (4ba)



White solid, **M.p.** 86 – 87 °C; 35.9 mg, 91% yield, >95:5 dr, 89% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +12.4$ (c = 0.71, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 5.5 min, 7.3 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.40 (s, 1H), 7.98 – 7.96 (m, 2H), 7.40 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.25 (m, 4H), 7.10 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.01 – 6.97 (m, 1H), 6.90 – 6.86 (m, 2H), 6.49 – 6.47 (m, 2H), 3.44 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ= 175.6, 174.3, 164.2, 143.6, 133.6, 132.0, 130.5, 129.5, 129.3, 129.1, 128.7, 127.5, 126.4, 126.2, 122.9, 91.3, 83.1, 36.6, 21.8 ppm.

IR (neat): *v*(cm⁻¹) 3195, 3063, 3033, 2924, 2760, 1792, 1730, 1640, 1573, 1498, 1452, 1430, 1411, 1328, 1264, 1215, 1182, 1160, 1092, 1049, 1019, 975, 917, 829, 762, 729, 699, 644, 476.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{25}H_{21}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 397.1547, found 397.1550.



3a-Benzyl-2-(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)-6a-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ca)



White solid, **M.p.** 113 – 114 °C; 41.8 mg, 95% yield, >95:5 dr, 91% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +10.3$ (c = 0.80, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 2.6 min, 7.2 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.42 (s, 1H), 8.04 – 8.02 (m, 2H), 7.50 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.40 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.32 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.11 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.01 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 6.91 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.50 – 6.49 (m, 2H), 3.45 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 1.35 (s, 9H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.6, 174.3, 164.2, 156.6, 133.7, 132.0, 130.5, 129.3, 129.0, 128.7, 127.6, 126.4, 126.3, 125.8, 122.9, 91.2, 83.1, 36.7, 35.3, 31.2 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3201, 3063, 3033, 2963, 2870, 2760, 1793, 1732, 1641, 1568, 1499, 1453, 1411, 1364, 1329, 1267, 1215, 1160, 1114, 1089, 1050, 1018, 975, 918, 847, 755, 735, 698, 646, 552, 494.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{28}H_{27}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 439.2016, found 439.2015.



3a-Benzyl-2-(4-fluorophenyl)-6a-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4da)



White solid, **M.p.** 93 – 94 °C; 32.4 mg, 81% yield, >95:5 dr, 92% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +19.3$ (*c* = 0.70, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 5.7 min, 6.3 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.36 (s, 1H), 8.10 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.34 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.08 (m, 4H), 7.02 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 6.91 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.47 – 6.46 (m, 2H), 3.43 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ* = 175.4, 174.1, 165.6 (d, *J* = 253.6 Hz), 163.2, 133.4, 131.7, 131.5 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz), 130.4, 129.4, 128.8, 127.6, 126.6, 126.2, 121.9 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 116.1 (d, *J* = 22.0 Hz), 91.5, 83.1, 36.6 ppm.

¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = -105.27 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3195, 3065, 2762, 1793, 1733, 1644, 1604, 1509, 1452, 1414, 1328, 1297, 1234, 1157, 1090, 1049, 1016, 974, 848, 814, 762, 699, 643, 597, 487.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{24}H_{18}FN_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 401.1296, found 401.1299.



3a-Benzyl-2-(4-chlorophenyl)-6a-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ea)



White solid, **M.p.** 98 – 99 °C; 41.3 mg, 98% yield, >95:5 dr, 91% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +6.7$ (*c* = 0.68, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK **IB-3**, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 8.5 min, 9.6 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.37 (s, 1H), 8.03 – 7.99 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.43 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.34 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.09 – 7.07 (m, 2H), 7.02 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 6.91 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.46 – 6.45 (m, 2H), 3.44 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ= 175.3, 174.0, 163.2, 139.3, 133.4, 131.7, 130.4, 130.3, 129.5, 129.2, 128.8, 127.6, 126.6, 126.2, 124.2, 91.6, 83.2, 36.6 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3207, 3064, 3033, 2765, 1793, 1734, 1644, 1597, 1492, 1452, 1430, 1404, 1327, 1264, 1216, 1093, 1049, 1015, 974, 917, 841, 756, 731, 699, 678, 642, 589, 510, 475, 451.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{24}H_{18}^{34.9659}ClN_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 417.1000, found 417.1004, $C_{24}H_{18}^{36.9659}ClN_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 419.0971, found 419.0970.



| | Retention Time | % Area |
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| 1 | 8.479 | 95.56 |
| 2 | 9.603 | 4.44 |

3a-Benzyl-2-(2-bromophenyl)-6a-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4fa)



White solid, **M.p.** 104 - 106 °C; 45.1 mg, 98% yield, >95:5 dr, 90% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +74.3$ (*c* = 0.60, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 2.8 min, 3.7 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.30 (s, 1H), 7.71 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.44 – 7.34 (m, 5H), 7.19 – 7.17 (m, 2H), 7.08 – 7.04 (m, 1H), 6.98 – 6.94 (m, 2H), 6.52 – 6.50 (m, 2H), 3.52 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz,

1H), 2.99 (d, J = 14.4 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.0, 173.6, 163.9, 134.2, 133.3, 132.9, 132.0, 131.7, 130.8, 129.5, 128.9, 127.6, 127.4, 126.7, 126.3, 122.3, 91.7, 83.0, 36.1 ppm.

IR (neat): *v*(cm⁻¹) 3201, 3063, 2760, 1794, 1729, 1642, 1588, 1497, 1473, 1451, 1432, 1326, 1262, 1214, 1160, 1106, 1031, 972, 918, 732, 700, 676, 639, 491.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{24}H_{18}^{78.9183}BrN_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 461.0495, found 461.0490, $C_{24}H_{18}^{80.9163}BrN_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 463.0475, found 463.0472.



3a-Benzyl-6a-phenyl-2-(*m*-tolyl)-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ga)



White solid, **M.p.** 86 – 87 °C; 33.1 mg, 84% yield, >95:5 dr, 88% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +21.6$ (*c* = 0.56, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 5.7 min, 8.9 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.34 (s, 1H), 7.91 – 7.88 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.33 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.11 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.02 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 6.91 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.50 – 6.48 (m, 2H), 3.43 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.41 (s, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.5, 174.2, 164.3, 138.7, 133.7, 133.6, 131.9, 130.4, 129.6, 129.3, 128.8, 128.7, 127.6, 126.5, 126.3, 125.6, 91.3, 83.2, 36.7, 21.4 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3206, 3063, 3032, 2924, 2760, 1793, 1733, 1642, 1603, 1586, 1496, 1452, 1431, 1328, 1265, 1202, 1098, 1049, 1019, 1049, 1019, 976, 925, 830, 800, 762, 738, 700, 641, 623, 573, 481, 425.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{25}H_{21}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 397.1547, found 397.1550.



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3a-Benzyl-2-(3,5-dimethylphenyl)-6a-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ha)



White solid, **M.p.** 95 – 96 °C; 36.6 mg, 89% yield, >95:5 dr, 77% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +17.2$ (*c* = 0.65, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 4.6 min, 8.0 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.32 (s, 1H), 7.72 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.37 (m, 1H), 7.33 – 7.29 (m, 2H), 7.19 (s, 1H), 7.10 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.02 – 6.98 (m, 1H), 6.91 – 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.50 – 6.48 (m, 2H), 3.42 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.99 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (s, 6H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 175.5, 174.2, 164.5, 138.5, 134.6, 133.6, 132.0, 130.4, 129.3, 128.7, 127.6, 126.8, 126.5, 126.3, 125.5, 91.2, 83.1, 36.7, 21.2 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3213, 3063, 3032, 2921, 2759, 1793, 1734, 1641, 1599, 1497, 1452, 1381, 1338, 1222, 1159, 1111, 1085, 1021, 975, 929, 863, 815, 761, 726, 700, 678, 642, 623, 574, 523, 478, 450.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{26}H_{23}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 411.1703, found 411.1702.



3a-Benzyl-2-(2-(diphenylphosphaneyl)phenyl)-6a-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ia)



White solid, **M.p.** 112 – 113 °C; 39.2 mg, 69% yield, >95:5 dr, 94% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +96.5$ (c = 0.45, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK IA-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 8.3 min, 9.6 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 11.13 (s, 1H), 7.74 – 7.58 (m, 6H), 7.52 – 7.39 (m, 7H), 7.30 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.15 (m, 2H), 6.99 – 6.97 (m, 1H), 6.88 – 6.81 (m, 4H), 6.32 – 6.30 (m, 2H), 3.32 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} **NMR** (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 175.1, 173.5, 163.5 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 134.3, 134.0 (d, J = 11.2 Hz), 133.4, 133.0, 132.4 (d, J = 17.1 Hz), 132.3 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 131.9 (d, J = 5.1 Hz), 131.8, 131.2 (d, J = 8.7 Hz), 130.7, 130.3 (d, J = 12.1 Hz), 128.6 (d, J = 19.3 Hz), 128.5 (d, J = 12.6 Hz), 128.3, 128.3, 127.2, 126.4, 126.1, 91.6, 83.0, 36.3 ppm.

³¹P{¹H} NMR (162 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 32.26 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3059, 2924, 2751, 1791, 1736, 1664, 1588, 1496, 1437, 1376, 1323, 1260, 1218, 1174, 1116, 1064, 971, 803, 755, 723, 697, 624, 573, 545, 517, 493.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{36}H_{27}N_2O_3PNa^+$ ([M]+Na⁺) = 589.1652, found 589.1633.



3a-Benzyl-2-(naphthalen-1-yl)-6a-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ja)



White solid, **M.p.** 96 – 98 °C; 36.7 mg, 85% yield, >95:5 dr, 91% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +26.8$ (c = 0.75, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; **UPC²** (Daicel CHIRALPAK **OJ-3**, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 4.5 min, 11.0 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.22 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 8.26 - 8.24 (m, 1H), 8.04 - 8.02 (m, 1H), 7.91 - 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.67 - 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.58 - 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.52 - 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.44 - 7.40 (m, 1H), 7.37 - 7.33 (m, 2H), 7.19 - 7.18 (m, 2H), 7.03 - 6.99 (m, 1H), 6.92 - 6.89 (m, 2H), 6.57 - 6.55 (m, 2H), 3.52 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.3, 174.1, 164.0, 133.9, 133.8, 133.7, 132.0, 131.2, 130.7, 130.6, 129.4, 128.9, 128.8, 128.3, 127.7, 126.6, 126.5, 126.3, 124.7, 122.0, 90.2, 84.0, 36.8 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3203, 3062, 2760, 1793, 1729, 1636, 1616, 1589, 1512, 1497, 1452, 1327, 1300, 1251, 1214, 1130, 1085, 1051, 1019, 968, 916, 809, 777, 642, 574, 528, 485.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{28}H_{21}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 433.1547, found 433.1548.



3a-Benzyl-2-(furan-2-yl)-6a-phenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ka)



White solid, **M.p.** 112 – 113 °C; 27.7 mg, 74% yield, >95:5 dr, 92% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +7.5$ (*c* = 0.21, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 2.9 min, 4.4 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 8.94 (s, 1H), 7.78 – 7.77 (m, 1H), 7.59 – 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.34 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.14 – 7.08 (m, 3H), 7.03 – 6.99 (m, 1H), 6.92 – 6.88 (m, 2H), 6.48 – 6.46 (m, 2H), 3.42 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 174.9, 173.6, 159.9, 133.4, 132.7, 132.3, 131.7, 130.5, 129.5, 128.8, 128.1, 127.9, 127.6, 126.5, 126.2, 91.6, 83.2, 36.6 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3206, 3091, 2758, 1793, 1734, 1639, 1518, 1498, 1451, 1427, 1370, 1326, 1216, 1159, 1088, 1066, 1032, 1006, 971, 855, 762, 723, 701, 650, 629, 578, 498, 452.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{22}H_{16}N_2O_4K^+$ ([M]+K⁺) = 411.0742, found 411.0746.



(3a*R*,6a*S*)-3a-Butyl-2,6a-diphenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4la)



White solid, **M.p.** 174 – 176 °C; 25.0 mg, 72% yield, >95:5 dr, 88% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ = +66.6 (*c* = 0.50, in CH₂Cl₂). Reference report: $[\alpha]^{23}_{D}$ = +86.8 (*c* = 0.191, CH₂Cl₂, sample with ee = 94%), see *Angew*. *Chem.*, *Int. Ed.*, **2013**, *52*, 13223.

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 2.9 min, 9.3 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.23 (s, 1H), 8.18 – 8.05 (m, 2H), 7.59 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.49 – 7.36 (m, 7H), 1.95 – 1.88 (m, 1H), 1.61 – 1.53 (m, 1H), 1.11 – 1.03 (m, 1H), 1.01 – 0.78 (m, 3H), 0.55 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.7, 174.1, 163.9, 132.8, 132.2, 129.5, 129.1, 128.8, 128.8, 126.0, 125.8, 91.5, 83.3, 31.2, 24.6, 22.7, 13.5 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3201, 3066, 2958, 2870, 2759, 1792, 1732, 1643, 1580, 1496, 1451, 1329, 1214, 1179, 1115, 1090, 1067, 1025, 771, 696, 639, 515.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{21}H_{21}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 349.1547, found 349.1547.



2,6a-Diphenyl-3a-propyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ma)



White solid, **M.p.** 180 – 182 °C; 19.6 mg, 59% yield, >95:5 dr, 84% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +66.6$ (c = 0.36, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 1.7 min, 6.8 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.04 (s, 1H), 8.12 – 8.10 (m, 2H), 7.59 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.49 – 7.41 (m, 5H), 7.38 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 1.92 – 1.84 (m, 1H), 1.55 – 1.48 (m, 1H), 1.21 – 1.11 (m, 1H), 0.95 – 0.85 (m, 1H), 0.57 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.5, 174.0, 164.0, 132.8, 132.2, 129.5, 129.1, 128.8, 128.8, 126.0, 125.8, 91.5, 83.4, 33.7, 16.2, 14.3 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3211, 3066, 2964, 2874, 2761, 1792, 1732, 1643, 1580, 1496, 1451, 1330, 1217, 1179, 1118, 1090, 1067, 1048, 1026, 1002, 773, 696, 641, 515.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{20}H_{19}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 335.1390, found 335.1393.



3a-Methyl-2,6a-diphenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4na)



White solid, **M.p.** 93 – 95 °C; 18.0 mg, 59% yield, >95:5 dr, 84% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +66.3$ (c = 0.32, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 1.8 min, 12.7 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 8.11 – 8.09 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.48 – 7.41 (m, 5H), 7.32 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 5.43 (s, 1H), 1.17 (s, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ= 176.6, 174.6, 164.0, 132.9, 132.5, 129.5, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 125.8, 91.8, 80.9, 18.8 ppm.

IR (neat): *v*(cm⁻¹) 3191, 3065, 2931, 2760, 1793, 1733, 1642, 1602, 1580, 1496, 1451, 1377, 1328, 1229, 1179, 1146, 1120, 1087, 1068, 1031, 1003, 970, 771, 696, 627, 604, 500, 432.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{18}H_{14}N_2O_3Na^+$ ([M]+Na⁺) = 329.0897, found 329.0894.



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3a-Allyl-2,6a-diphenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[3,4-d]oxazole-4,6(5H)-dione (4oa)



White solid, **M.p.** 183 – 185 °C; 27.9 mg, 84% yield, >95:5 dr, 92% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +55.3$ (c = 0.55, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 1.6 min, 5.7 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.38 (s, 1H), 8.12 – 8.10 (m, 2H), 7.59 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.49 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 7.35 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 5.32 – 5.21 (m, 1H), 4.76 (dd, *J* = 10.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 4.56 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (dd, *J* = 14.8, 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.44 (dd, *J* = 14.8, 7.2 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ= 175.1, 174.0, 164.3, 132.9, 131.9, 129.7, 129.6, 129.2, 128.8, 128.7, 126.4, 125.7, 120.0, 91.3, 82.7, 35.9 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3214, 3073, 2760, 1793, 1735, 1642, 1580, 1495, 1451, 1431, 1330, 1215, 1160, 1093, 1067, 1027, 999, 925, 770, 696, 652, 625, 564, 505.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{20}H_{17}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 333.1234, found 333.1234.



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| 1 | 1.632 | 3.87 |
| 2 | 5.749 | 96.13 |
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3a-Phenethyl-2,6a-diphenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[3,4-d]oxazole-4,6(5H)-dione (4pa)



White solid, **M.p.** 94 – 96 °C; 21.9 mg, 55% yield, >95:5 dr, 60% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +28.3$ (*c* = 0.27, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 3.2 min, 6.8 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 8.96 (s, 1H), 8.17 – 8.15 (m, 2H), 7.61 – 7.57 (m, 1H), 7.51 – 7.44 (m, 7H), 7.14 – 7.05 (m, 3H), 6.65 – 6.64 (m, 2H), 2.47 (td, *J* = 12.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.31 (td, *J* = 13.2, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.12 (m, 1H), 1.80 (m, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.1, 173.7, 164.3, 141.0, 133.0, 132.2, 129.8, 129.2, 129.1, 128.9, 128.4, 128.3, 126.1, 125.7, 91.5, 83.0, 33.8, 29.2 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3196, 3064, 3028, 2920, 2850, 2763, 1792, 1737, 1642, 1603, 1581, 1496, 1451, 1330, 1218, 1095, 1068, 1029, 997, 751, 696, 627, 560, 498.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{25}H_{21}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 397.1547, found 397.1549.



3a-(Naphthalen-2-ylmethyl)-2,6a-diphenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4qa)



White solid, **M.p.** 98 – 100 °C; 43.0 mg, 99% yield, >95:5 dr, 94% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{436} = -42.8$ (*c* = 0.59, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 17.3 min, 22.6 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.34 (s, 1H), 8.09 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.66 – 7.64 (m, 1H), 7.56 – 7.53 (m, 1H), 7.47 – 7.42 (m, 4H), 7.37 – 7.29 (m, 5H), 7.11 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 6.95 – 6.93 (m, 1H), 6.52 – 6.51 (m, 1H), 3.68 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 3.14 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.4, 174.1, 164.2, 132.9, 132.7, 132.1, 131.9, 130.9, 129.7, 129.5, 129.1, 128.9, 128.8, 127.9, 127.4, 126.8, 126.4, 125.6, 125.6, 91.4, 83.0, 36.6 ppm. **IR** (neat): *ν*(cm⁻¹) 3211, 3060, 2760, 1793, 1731, 1641, 1602, 1580, 1497, 1450, 1429, 1329, 1265, 1215, 1160, 1092, 1067, 1024, 977, 899, 859, 821, 763, 736, 696, 653, 627, 587, 539, 479, 455, 436.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{28}H_{21}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 433.1547, found 433.1554.



3a-(Naphthalen-1-ylmethyl)-6a-phenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ra)



White solid, **M.p.** 99 – 101 °C; 44.6 mg, 99% yield, >95:5 dr, 91% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +57.6$ (*c* = 0.82, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 4.1 min, 6.7 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) $\delta = 9.39$ (s, 1H), 7.99 – 7.97 (m, 1H), 7.67 – 7.64 (m, 3H), 7.58 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.39 – 7.34 (m, 2H), 7.30 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 7.24 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 7.12 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 7.07 – 7.04 (m, 1H), 6.54 – 6.52 (m, 1H), 3.94 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H), 3.22 (d, J = 15.2 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) $\delta = 175.6$, 174.3, 164.0, 143.3, 133.6, 133.2, 132.0, 130.5, 129.4, 129.3, 129.0, 128.9, 128.7, 128.2, 127.8, 126.1, 125.4, 125.3, 125.1, 124.7, 122.8, 92.1, 83.1, 32.9, 21.8 ppm.

IR (neat): *v*(cm⁻¹) 3207, 3063, 2926, 2759, 1792, 1729, 1640, 1573, 1512, 1450, 1398, 1328, 1265, 1214, 1182, 1092, 972, 915, 829, 780, 729, 698, 661, 630, 588, 536, 512, 462, 417.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{29}H_{23}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 447.1703, found 447.1708.



2,6a-Diphenyl-3a-(thiophen-2-ylmethyl)-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4sa)



White solid, **M.p.** 116 – 118 °C; 37.4 mg, 96% yield, >95:5 dr, 93% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +21.2$ (c = 0.59, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 2.8 min, 5.2 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.43 (s, 1H), 8.14 – 8.13 (m, 2H), 7.60 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.50 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.34 – 7.31 (m, 1H), 7.28 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 7.09 – 7.07 (m, 2H), 6.91 – 6.90 (m, 1H), 6.51 – 6.48 (m, 1H), 5.72 – 5.71 (m, 1H), 3.65 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H), 3.25 (d, *J* = 15.6 Hz, 1H) ppm. ¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 175.2, 174.1, 165.2 134.9, 133.0, 131.7, 129.3, 129.2, 128.8, 128.6, 127.5, 125.8, 125.7, 125.3, 91.2, 82.7, 31.7 ppm.

IR (neat): ν (cm⁻¹) 3193, 3067, 2759, 1792, 1732, 1640, 1603, 1580, 1496, 1450, 1423, 1330, 1269, 1227, 1207, 1178, 1156, 1093, 1067, 1046, 1026, 976, 851, 765, 736, 695, 651, 625, 587, 504. **HRMS** (ESI-FT) calcd for C₂₂H₁₇N₂O₃S⁺ ([M]+H⁺) = 389.0954, found 389.0944.



3a-(4-Methoxybenzyl)-2,6a-diphenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ta)



White solid, **M.p.** 95 – 97 °C; 36.3 mg, 88% yield, >95:5 dr, 87% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +35.0$ (c = 0.60, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 4.3 min, 5.2 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.32 (s, 1H), 8.09 – 8.07 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.54 (m, 1H), 7.48 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.13 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.44 – 6.42 (m, 2H), 6.38 – 6.36 (m, 2H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 3.39 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.92 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.5, 174.2, 164.0, 158.2, 132.8, 132.0, 131.6, 129.4, 129.1, 128.8, 126.3, 125.8, 125.4, 112.9, 91.3, 83.2, 55.2, 35.7 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3193, 3064, 2934, 2836, 2761, 1792, 1733, 1642, 1612, 1581, 1513, 1496, 1450, 1331, 1303, 1251, 1216, 1180, 1112, 1093, 1067, 1030, 975, 827, 766, 737, 696, 643, 589, 551, 507, 430.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{25}H_{21}N_2O_4^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 413.1496, found 413.1493.



3a-(4-Chlorobenzyl)-2,6a-diphenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4ua)



White solid, **M.p.** 94 – 96 °C; 41.5 mg, 99% yield, >95:5 dr, 90% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ = +40.8 (*c* = 1.15, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 13.8 min, 17.4 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.70 (s, 1H), 8.08 – 8.06 (m, 2H), 7.58 – 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.48 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.36 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.13 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.87 – 6.85 (m, 2H), 6.41 – 6.39 (m, 2H), 3.44 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.87 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.5, 174.2, 164.3, 133.0, 132.5, 132.0, 131.9, 131.8, 129.5, 129.1, 128.9, 127.6, 126.2, 125.5, 91.3, 82.9, 35.8 ppm.

IR (neat): ν (cm⁻¹) 3198, 3065, 2926, 2762, 1793, 1726, 1641, 1601, 1580, 1493, 1450, 1431, 1409, 1330, 1264, 1214, 1091, 1067, 1050, 1016, 976, 916, 837, 815, 766, 737, 695, 641, 585, 519, 491. HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{24}H_{17}^{34.9659}ClN_2O_3K^+$ ([M]+K⁺) = 455.0559, found 455.0548, $C_{24}H_{17}^{36.9659}ClN_2O_3K^+$ ([M]+K⁺) = 457.0530, found 457.0532.



3a-(2-Methylbenzyl)-6a-phenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4va)



White solid, **M.p.** 102 – 104 °C; 35.7 mg, 87% yield, >95:5 dr, 91% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ = +68.8 (*c* = 0.65, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 5.4 min, 8.5 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.25 (s, 1H), 7.93 – 7.91 (m, 2H), 7.38 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.20 (m, 4H), 6.99 – 6.96 (m, 1H), 6.92 – 6.86 (m, 2H), 6.72 – 6.70 (m, 1H), 3.27 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 2.80 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.00 (s, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 175.4, 174.2, 164.1, 143.5, 138.2, 132.9, 132.0, 130.5, 130.1, 129.5, 129.4, 129.1, 128.8, 126.9, 126.3, 125.3, 123.0, 92.1, 83.3, 33.7, 21.8, 20.2 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3212, 3064, 2925, 2760, 1792, 1732, 1640, 1573, 1512, 1496, 1450, 1411, 1329, 1265, 1214, 1181, 1116, 1080, 1045, 1019, 973, 829, 729, 696, 644, 537, 467.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{26}H_{23}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 411.1703, found 411.1710.



3a-(4-Methylbenzyl)-6a-phenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4wa)



Pale yellow solid, **M.p.** 106 – 108 °C; 40.0 mg, 98% yield, > 95:5 dr, 90% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +25.1$ (c = 0.54, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 5.4 min, 6.5 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.23 (s, 1H), 7.98 – 7.96 (m, 2H), 7.41 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.34

– 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.25 (s, 2H), 7.12 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 6.71 – 6.69 (m, 2H), 6.37 – 6.35 (m, 2H), 3.38 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.93 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.16 (s, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.6, 174.2, 164.2, 143.5, 136.0, 132.0, 130.4, 130.3, 129.5, 129.3, 129.1, 128.7, 128.3, 126.3, 123.0, 91.3, 83.2, 36.3, 21.8, 21.1 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3204, 3032, 2922, 2760, 1794, 1734, 1640, 1573, 1514, 1450, 1411, 1329, 1213, 1182, 1092, 1050, 1019, 973, 828, 766, 727, 695, 645, 539, 456,

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{26}H_{23}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 411.1703, found 411.1701.



| | Retention Time | % Area |
|---|----------------|--------|
| 1 | 5.396 | 5.18 |
| 2 | 6.524 | 94.82 |

3a-(4-Fluorobenzyl)-6a-phenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (4xa)



White solid, **M.p.** 93 – 95 °C; 41.0 mg, 98% yield, >95:5 dr, 90% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +5.1$ (*c* = 0.73, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 5.4 min, 6.2 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.41 (s, 1H), 7.97 – 7.95 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.35 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.27 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.12 – 7.10 (m, 2H), 6.59 – 6.55 (m, 2H), 6.43 – 6.40 (m, 2H), 3.43 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.89 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 175.5, 174.2, 164.4, 161.7 (d, *J* = 245.0 Hz),143.7, 132.0, 131.9, 129.6, 129.4, 129.2 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 129.0, 128.8, 126.2, 122.8, 114.3 (d, *J* = 21.1 Hz), 91.2, 82.9, 35.7, 21.8 ppm.

¹⁹F{¹H} NMR (376 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = -116.39 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3193, 3066, 2925, 2760, 1793, 1729, 1639, 1606, 1573, 1510, 1450, 1432, 1412, 1328, 1265, 1220, 1182, 1159, 1093, 1049, 1019, 976, 830, 766, 728, 696, 682, 644, 586, 538, 506, 455.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{25}H_{20}FN_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 415.1452, found 415.1451.



3a-(4-Bromobenzyl)-6a-phenyl-2-(*p*-tolyl)-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)dione (4ya)



White solid, **M.p.** 136 – 138 °C; 47.1 mg, 99% yield, >95:5 dr, 92% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +34.8$ (c = 0.82, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 4.5 min, 5.7 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.44 (s, 1H), 7.97 – 7.95 (m, 2H), 7.42 – 7.39 (m, 1H), 7.35

- 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.27 - 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.12 - 7.10 (m, 2H), 7.01 - 6.99 (m, 2H), 6.35 - 6.32 (m, 2H), 3.41 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (d, *J* = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.4, 174.1, 164.4, 143.8, 132.6, 132.2, 132.0, 130.5, 129.6, 129.5, 129.1, 128.9, 126.2, 122.7, 120.7, 91.2, 82.8, 35.9, 21.9 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3204, 3065, 2924, 2762, 1793, 1733, 1639, 1573, 1512, 1488, 1450, 1432, 1409, 1328, 1214, 1182, 1076, 1050, 1015, 976, 829, 767, 728, 695, 644, 582, 514, 491, 466.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{25}H_{20}^{78.9183}BrN_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 475.0652, found 475.0061, $C_{25}H_{20}^{80.9163}BrN_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 477.0631, found 477.0636.



3a-Methyl-6a-phenyl-2-(p-tolyl)-3a,6a-dihydro-4H-pyrrolo[3,4-d]oxazole-4,6(5H)-dione (4za)



White solid, **M.p.** 172 - 174 °C; 23.2 mg, 73% yield, >95:5 dr, 89% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +87.3$ (c = 0.40, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 80/20, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, λ = 254 nm) retention time: 1.6 min, 6.6 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 9.27 (s, 1H), 7.99 – 7.97 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.39 (m, 3H), 7.31 – 7.26 (m, 4H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 1.17 (s, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ= 175.9, 174.0, 164.3, 143.6, 132.4, 129.5, 129.1, 129.0, 125.8, 122.9, 91.5, 80.7, 21.8, 18.8 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3202, 3066, 2762, 1793, 1734, 1639, 1574, 1511, 1451, 1411, 1377, 1325, 1229, 1182, 1146, 1118, 1079, 1037, 1003, 967, 830, 770, 728, 697, 631, 451.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{19}H_{17}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 321.1234, found 321.1234.


4-Benzyl-4-(2-nitro-1-phenylethyl)-2-phenyloxazol-5(4H)-one (3aa)



White solid, **M.p.** 117 – 119 °C; 39.8 mg, 99% yield, >95:5 dr, 92% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +172.0$ (c = 1.38, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OZ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 1.6 min, 6.6 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) $\delta = 7.82 - 7.80$ (m, 2H), 7.56 - 7.53 (m, 3H), 7.45 - 7.33 (m, 5H), 7.11 - 7.10 (m, 3H), 7.05 - 7.04 (M, 2H), 4.83 (dd, J = 12.8, 10.8 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (dd, J = 12.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (dd, J = 10.8, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 3.05 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.91 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 178.7, 161.0, 134.4, 133.2, 133.0, 130.3, 129.5, 129.0, 128.9, 128.3, 128.0, 127.6, 125.0, 76.6, 76.2, 50.0, 42.5 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3034, 2925, 1812, 1652, 1555, 1494, 1451, 1377, 1293, 1170, 1104, 1060, 963, 894, 778, 742, 697, 664, 593, 539, 480.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{24}H_{21}N_2O_4^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 401.1496, found 401.1493.



3a-Benzyl-4-hydroxy-2,6a-diphenyl-3a,4,5,6a-tetrahydro-6H-pyrrolo[3,4-d]oxazol-6-one (5)



White solid, **M.p.** 93 – 95 °C; 30.7 mg, 80% yield, >95:5 dr, 92% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +233.8$ (*c* = 0.23, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; UPC² (Daicel CHIRALPAK OJ-3, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 9.8 min, 16.4 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 8.12 – 8.11 (m, 2H), 7.59 – 7.56 (m, 1H), 7.49 – 7.42 (m, 5H), 7.33 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.11 – 7.05 (m, 3H), 6.98 (s, 1H), 6.83 – 6.81 (m, 2H), 5.47 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 4.10 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz, 1H), 2.75 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 2.64 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 171.7, 164.5, 134.5, 133.0, 132.9, 130.7, 129.2, 129.1, 128.9, 128.7, 127.7, 126.8, 126.1, 126.0, 93.5, 83.0, 81.6, 40.6 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3240, 3062, 3031, 2924, 1719, 1644, 1604, 1581, 1496, 1450, 1333, 1296, 1257, 1162, 1090, 1069, 1030, 971, 955, 918, 798, 764, 739, 698, 635, 559, 475, 427.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{24}H_{21}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 385.1547, found 385.1547.



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3a-Benzyl-5-(but-3-yn-1-yl)-2,6a-diphenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (6a)



White solid, **M.p.** 133 – 135 °C; 38.3 mg, 88% yield, >95:5 dr, 91% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = +26.0$ (c = 0.87, in CH₂Cl₂).

Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; **UPC²** (Daicel CHIRALPAK **OJ-3**, CO₂/MeOH = 90/10, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 2.8 min, 6.3 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) $\delta = 8.10 - 8.08$ (m, 2H), 7.58 - 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.48 - 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.42 - 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.33 - 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.16 - 7.14 (m, 2H), 7.02 - 6.99 (m, 1H), 6.92 - 6.88 (m, 2H), 6.51 - 6.49 (m, 2H), 3.91 - 3.88 (m, 2H), 3.47 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.98 (d, J = 14.8 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (td, J = 6.8, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 1.93 (t, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.2, 173.8, 163.9, 133.8, 132.8, 132.3, 130.5, 129.3, 129.1, 128.7, 128.7, 127.5, 126.4, 125.9, 90.5, 82.2, 79.8, 71.0, 37.9, 37.1, 17.3 ppm.

IR (neat): *v*(cm⁻¹) 3296, 3063, 3032, 2921, 1790, 1719, 1645, 1603, 1581, 1496, 1450, 1392, 1358, 1331, 1307, 1263, 1192, 1091, 1067, 996, 838, 781, 738, 697, 640, 472.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{28}H_{23}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 435.1703, found 435.1712.



3a-Benzyl-5-isopropyl-2,6a-diphenyl-3a,6a-dihydro-4*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]oxazole-4,6(5*H*)-dione (6b)



Colorless oil; 35.1 mg, 83% yield, >95:5 dr, 92% ee. $[\alpha]^{25}_{436} = -6.8$ (*c* = 0.59, in CH₂Cl₂). Dissolved in MeOH for UPC²; **UPC²** (Daicel CHIRALPAK **OJ-3**, CO₂/MeOH = 95/5, flow rate = 1.5 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm) retention time: 2.4 min, 3.7 min. dr > 95:5 determined by ¹H NMR. ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) $\delta = 8.10 - 8.08$ (m, 2H), 7.59 - 7.55 (m, 1H), 7.48 - 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.41 - 7.38 (m, 1H), 7.34 - 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.05 - 6.98 (m, 3H), 6.91 - 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.49 - 6.47 (m, 2H), 4.57 (m, 1H), 3.40 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 2.99 (d, *J* = 14.4 Hz, 1H), 1.49 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 1.6 Hz, 6H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 175.4, 174.0, 163.8, 133.9, 132.7, 132.6, 130.4, 129.2, 129.1, 128.7, 127.5, 126.4, 126.2, 125.9, 90.1, 81.6, 45.2, 37.0, 19.6, 19.1 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3063, 3032, 2977, 1785, 1715, 1643, 1603, 1581, 1496, 1452, 1397, 1356, 1331, 1228, 1178, 1092, 1066, 1028, 985, 916, 873, 824, 780, 739, 697, 638, 505, 422.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{27}H_{25}N_2O_3^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 425.1860, found 425.1861.



Methyl 2-benzamido-2-benzyl-4-nitro-3-phenylbutanoate (7)

White solid, **M.p.** 74 - 76 °C.

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 7.47 – 7.41 (m, 3H), 7.36 – 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.19 (m, 6H), 7.12 – 7.05 (m, 4H), 6.59 (s, 1H), 5.31 – 5.24 (m, 3H), 4.20 (d, *J* = 13.0 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 3.37 (d, *J* = 13.0 Hz, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 171.4, 167.8, 135.7, 135.3, 135.1, 131.7, 129.7, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.6, 128.3, 127.5, 126.8, 68.8, 53.3, 46.8, 38.8 ppm.

IR (neat): ν (cm⁻¹) 3408, 3033, 2954, 1738, 1662, 1554, 1511, 1487, 1443, 1359, 1288, 1233, 1089, 958, 883, 838, 704, 614, 556.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{25}H_{25}N_2O_5^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 433.1758, found 433.1760.

Methyl (Z)-6-(acetoxyimino)-4-benzyl-2,5-diphenyl-5,6-dihydro-4H-1,3-oxazine-4carboxylate (8)

White solid, **M.p.** 97 – 99 °C.

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 8.20 – 8.18 (m, 2H), 7.63 – 7.59 (m, 1H), 7.55 – 7.51 (m, 2H), 7.32 – 7.23 (m, 10H), 4.51 (s, 1H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 3.13 (d, *J* = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (d, *J* = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 2.21 (s, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 171.0, 167.7, 154.2, 150.9, 135.6, 134.1, 132.6, 130.9, 129.3, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.0, 127.0, 67.6, 53.2, 45.7, 42.2, 19.5 ppm.

IR (neat): *v*(cm⁻¹) 3032, 2952, 1777, 1739, 1669, 1494, 1448, 1367, 1244, 1187, 1126, 1094, 1046, 1000, 963, 919, 830, 750, 699, 540.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{27}H_{25}N_2O_5^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 457.1758, found 457.1763.



White solid, **M.p.** 107 - 109 °C; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = -146.6$ (c = 0.69, in CH₂Cl₂).

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 8.82 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.24 – 7.22 (m, 3H), 7.19 – 7.12 (m, 6H), 7.07 – 7.00 (m, 5H), 6.97 – 6.94 (m, 5H), 6.84 – 6.83 (m, 6H), 6.79 – 6.77 (m, 1H), 6.43 (s, 1H), 5.76 (s, 1H), 5.14 – 5.10 (m, 1H), 4.92 – 4.91 (m, 1H), 4.65 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 3.40 – 3.36 (m, 1H), 3.09 – 3.03 (m, 1H), 2.25 (s, 3H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 173.6, 151.8, 142.7, 138.5, 138.3, 137.8, 133.3, 131.7, 129.5, 129.3, 128.7, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.6, 127.4, 127.0, 126.8, 126.1, 126.0, 123.0, 64.9, 59.0, 55.4, 46.3, 29.4, 21.5 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3030, 1664, 1619, 1580, 1496, 1453, 1403, 1313, 1232, 1157, 1090, 1027, 938, 814, 751, 698, 669, 563.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{44}H_{42}N_5O_3S^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 720.3003, found 720.3004.



White solid, **M.p.** 116 - 118 °C; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = -126.1$ (*c* = 0.69, in CH₂Cl₂).

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 8.79 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.49 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.13 – 7.11 (m, 9H), 7.07 – 6.94 (m, 8H), 6.85 – 6.78 (m, 7H), 6.69 – 6.66 (m, 2H), 6.41 (s, 1H), 5.79 (s, 1H), 5.14 – 5.10 (m, 1H), 4.98 – 4.97 (m, 1H), 4.64 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.40 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.40 – 3.36 (m, 1H), 3.09 – 3.04 (m, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 173.5, 162.4, 151.8, 138.4, 137.9, 133.3, 133.0, 131.8, 129.5, 128.9, 128.7, 128.1, 127.9, 127.8, 127.6, 127.5, 127.0, 126.1, 126.0, 123.0, 113.8, 64.8, 59.0, 55.6, 55.5, 46.4, 29.4 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3030, 1664, 1618, 1580, 1497, 1455, 1408, 1308, 1258, 1153, 1092, 1027, 937, 833, 751, 698, 565.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{44}H_{42}N_5O_4S^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 736.2952, found 736.2951.



White solid, **M.p.** 127 - 129 °C; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = -150.3$ (c = 0.71, in CH₂Cl₂).

¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ = 8.82 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.45 (m, 2H), 7.23 – 7.11 (m, 11H), 7.07 – 7.03 (m, 2H), 6.99 – 6.89 (m, 6H), 6.85 – 6.79 (m, 7H), 6.42 (s, 1H), 5.79 (s, 1H), 5.16 – 5.11 (m, 1H), 4.89 – 4.88 (m, 1H), 4.68 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (d, *J* = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 3.38 – 3.34 (m, 1H), 3.07 – 3.01 (m, 1H), 1.23 (s, 9H).

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 173.5, 155.6, 151.8, 138.3, 138.2, 137.9, 133.3, 131.8, 129.5, 128.7, 128.1, 128.0, 127.8, 127.5, 127.4, 127.0, 126.7, 126.1, 126.0, 125.6, 123.0, 65.0, 58.9, 55.3, 46.4, 35.0, 31.1, 29.5 ppm.

IR (neat): *v*(cm⁻¹) 3031, 2963, 1664, 1619, 1580, 1496, 1454, 1399, 1321, 1233, 1161, 1113, 1086, 1027, 932, 836, 750, 697, 632, 574.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{47}H_{48}N_5O_3S^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 762.3472, found 762.3467.



White solid, **M.p.** 129 - 131 °C; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = -157.7$ (c = 0.72, in CH₂Cl₂).

¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) $\delta = 9.05$ (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 5H), 7.24 – 7.13 (m, 8H), 7.05 – 6.91 (m, 8H), 6.86 – 6.78 (m, 7H), 5.75 (s, 1H), 5.16 – 5.11 (m, 1H), 4.93 – 4.92 (m, 1H), 4.71 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d, J = 16.4 Hz, 1H), 3.40 – 3.36 (m, 1H), 3.10 – 3.05 (m, 1H) ppm.

¹³C{¹H} NMR (100 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) *δ*= 173.9, 152.0, 140.5, 138.0, 137.6, 133.2, 131.8, 131.6, 129.6, 128.8, 128.7, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.8, 127.6, 127.0, 126.7, 126.1, 126.0, 123.2, 65.3, 59.1, 55.3, 46.4, 29.3 ppm.

IR (neat): *v* (cm⁻¹) 3030, 1662, 1618, 1578, 1496, 1453, 1392, 1330, 1234, 1159, 1089, 1068, 1010, 935, 822, 742, 698, 605, 541, 421.

HRMS (ESI-FT) calcd for $C_{43}H_{39}^{78.9183}BrN_5O_3S^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 784.1951, found 784.1943, $C_{43}H_{39}^{80.9163}BrN_5O_3S^+$ ([M]+H⁺) = 786.1931, found 786.1933.

9. Substrate scope limitation



^{*a*}Unless otherwise noted, all reactions were carried out with **1** (0.10 mmol), **2** (0.10 mmol), and **GS9** (10 mol%) in THF (1.0 mL) at -20 °C. ^{*b*} N.R. = no reaction, N.D. = no detection.

Nitroolefins derived from heptaldehyde and cyclohexanecarboxaldehyde could not react with azlactones under the standard conditions. Dichloro-substituted or nitro-substituted nitroolefins were difficult to undergo Nef-type reactions due to the strong electron-withdrawing nature of the substituent group. Nitroolefins derived from pyrrole-3-carboxaldehyde and indole-4-carboxaldehyde could not give the desired C4 adduct under the standard conditions. Azlactones derived from valine and Cyclohexylglycine failed to give the Michael addition product.

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11. Copies of NMR spectra





210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 f1 (ppm)

GS10





210 200 190 180 170 160 150 140 130 120 110 100 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 0 -10 f1 (ppm)

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6b



