Rhodium-Catalyzed *N*-alkenylation of Ketimines : One-Pot Synthesis of Polysubstituted Pyrroles

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1. General experimental information

Unless otherwise noted, all reagents were purchased from commercial sources and were used without further purification. The solvents were purified and dried according to standard methods prior to use. Imine were prepared based on literature procedures, respectively. The ¹H NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz. The ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 101 MHz. The ¹⁹F NMR spectra were recorded at 376 MHz. Chemical shifts were expressed in parts per million (δ), and were reported as s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), dd (doublet of doublets), m (multiplet), br s (broad singlet), etc. Chemical shifts are reported in δ ppm referenced to an internal SiMe4 standard for ¹H NMR and chloroform-d (δ 77.0) for ¹³C NMR. HRMS was measured on Brucker micrOTOF II serial 10257. HPLC was performed on an Agilent 1100 series instrument uv/vis detector by using Daicel Chiracel AD-H column. Flash column chromatography was performed using silica gel (300 - 400 mesh). Analytical thin–layer chromatography was performed using glass plates pre-coated with 0.25 mm 300 - 400 mesh silica gel impregnated with a fluorescent indicator (254 nm). Thin layer chromatography plates were visualized by exposure to ultraviolet light. Commercial reagents were used as received.

2. Typical procedure for the synthesis of the ketimines:



The β -dicarbonyl compound (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv), nitrosobenzene (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and 1 g 4ÅMS were dissolved in 5 mL of dry dichloromethane at rt (25 °C). Then Et₃N (1 mmol, 10% equiv) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h at rt. The crude reaction mixture was purified by flash chromatography to afford the desired ketimine.



Ethyl (E)-3-oxo-2-(phenylimino)butanoate (1a): yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.40 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.23 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 4.16 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (s, 3H), 1.07 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.77, 163.49, 157.47, 147.29, 129.00, 127.04,

119.79, 61.81, 24.63, 13.74. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₄NO₃: 220.0974; found:220.0974.



Methyl (E)-3-oxo-2-(phenylimino)butanoate (1b): yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.37 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.30 – 7.18 (m, 1H), 7.07 – 6.98 (m, 2H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 2.56 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) & 196.77, 164.11, 157.12, 147.20, 129.18, 127.31, 119.91, 52.31, 24.64. HRMS (ESI) m/z.

 $[M+H]^+$ calcd for C₁₁H₁₂NO₃: 206.0817; found:206.0817.



Tert-butyl (E)-3-oxo-2-(phenylimino)butanoate (1c): yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.35 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.07 – 6.98 (m, 2H), 2.53 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.98, 162.54, 158.06, 147.60, 128.86, 126.60, 119.77, 84.42, 27.79, 24.70. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. $[M+H]^+$ calcd for C₁₄H₁₈NO₃: 248.1281; found:248.1286.



Allyl (E)-3-oxo-2-(phenylimino)butanoate (1d) :yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 7.35 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.27 – 7.19 (m, 1H), 7.07 – 6.98 (m, 2H), 5.67 (ddt, J = 16.6, 10.4, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 5.21 – 5.02 (m, 2H), 4.59 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2H), 2.56 (s, 3H).¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.70, 163.23,

157.18, 147.26, 130.65, 129.10, 127.18, 119.92, 119.43, 66.19, 24.65. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+H]⁺ calcd for C13H14NO3: 232.0974; found:232.0974.



Benzyl (E)-3-oxo-2-(phenylimino)butanoate (1e) : yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.27 – 7.20 (m, 5H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.9 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (dd, J = 7.0, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 5.09 (s, 2H), 2.51 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.69, 163.43, 157.07, 147.12, 134.32, 129.13,

128.56, 128.55, 128.53, 127.22, 119.95, 67.47, 24.65. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₇H₁₆NO₃: 282.1130; found:282.1130.



Ethyl (*E*)-3-oxo-2-(phenylimino)pentanoate (1f) : yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.34 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 4.15 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.02 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.17 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.06 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ

199.35, 163.56, 157.16, 147.39, 128.98, 126.91, 119.76, 61.75, 30.33, 13.74, 7.36. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{13}H_{15}NO_3Na$: 256.0950; Found 256.0941.



Ethyl (*E*)-3-oxo-2-(p-tolylimino)butanoate (1g) : yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.15 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 4.18 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 1.12 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.92, 164.00, 156.63, 144.55, 137.51, 129.64, 120.41, 61.76, 24.58, 21.01, 13.78. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₃H₁₅NO₃Na: 256.0950; Found 256.0950.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((4-chlorophenyl)imino)-3-oxobutanoate (1h): yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 4.17 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.52 (s, 3H), 1.10 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.48, 163.24, 157.77, 145.64, 132.75, 129.19, 121.38, 62.02, 24.59, 13.80. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₂ClNO₃Na: 276.0403; Found 276.0400.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((4-bromophenyl)imino)-3-oxobutanoate (1i) : yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.49 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.54 (s, 3H), 1.13 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.51, 163.21, 157.77, 146.14, 132.16, 121.61, 120.64, 62.07, 24.63, 13.82. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+H]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₃BrNO₃: 298.0079; found:298.0079.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((4-nitrophenyl)imino)-3-oxobutanoate (1j) : yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.28 – 8.16 (m, 2H), 7.10 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 4.15 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.57 (s, 3H), 1.08 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 195.77, 162.00, 158.82, 152.85, 145.88, 124.85, 119.66, 62.41, 24.67, 13.87. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₂N₂O₅Na: 287.0644; Found 287.0641.



Ethyl (*E*)-3-oxo-2-(o-tolylimino)butanoate (1k): yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.23 – 7.17 (m, 1H), 7.14 – 7.05 (m, 2H), 6.78 – 6.70 (m, 1H), 4.12 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.56 (s, 3H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 1.02 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.63, 163.32, 157.25, 146.37, 130.43, 129.62, 126.86, 126.26, 117.09, 61.71, 24.69, 17.78, 13.74. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₃H₁₅NO₃Na: 256.0950; Found 256.0945.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((2-fluorophenyl)imino)-3-oxobutanoate (11) : yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.23 – 7.04 (m, 3H), 6.94 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.56 (s, 3H), 1.07 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 196.31, 162.57, 159.03, 153.99, 151.51, 135.35 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz), 128.21 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 124.25 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz), 120.63, 116.18 (d, *J* = 19.3 Hz), 61.97, 24.75 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz), 13.69. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz,

CDCl₃) δ -123.43. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₂FNO₃Na: 260.0699; Found 260.0697.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((2-chlorophenyl)imino)-3-oxobutanoate (1m) : yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.43 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 7.25 – 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.60 (s, 3H), 1.04 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.36, 162.40, 158.51, 144.86, 130.00, 127.52, 127.18, 119.03, 62.00, 24.89, 13.76. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₂ClNO₃Na: 276.0403; Found 276.0401.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((2-bromophenyl)imino)-3-oxobutanoate (1n) : yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.62 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 7.11 – 7.03 (m, 1H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (q, *J* = 7.1, 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.61 (s, 3H), 1.05 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.35, 162.33, 158.13, 146.18, 133.04, 127.88, 127.78, 118.89, 115.30, 61.99, 24.93, 13.77. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₂BrNO₃Na:

319.9898; found:319.9895.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((3-chlorophenyl)imino)-3-oxobutanoate (10) : yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.30 (t, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (s, 1H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.54 (s, 3H), 1.11 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.33, 162.85, 158.28, 148.38, 134.71, 130.16, 126.78, 119.85, 117.88, 62.03, 24.56, 13.78. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₂ClNO₃Na: 276.0403; Found 276.0401.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((2,4-dimethylphenyl)imino)-3-oxobutanoate (1p) : yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.04 (s, 1H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.69 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (q, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (s, 3H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.09 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 196.80, 163.82, 156.36, 143.55, 137.14, 131.26, 130.57, 126.76, 117.20, 61.66, 24.66, 20.91, 17.76, 13.78. HRMS (ESI) m/z.

 $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{14}H_{17}NO_3Na$: 270.1106; Found 270.1100.



Ethyl -3-oxo-3-phenyl-2-(phenylimino)propanoate (1q) : mixture of *Z* and *E*, yellow oil, ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.95 (dd, *J* = 196.2, 7.0 Hz, 2H), 7.64 – 7.19 (m, 4H), 7.19 – 6.72 (m, 4H), 4.39 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1.34H), 4.17 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 0.63H), 1.31 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2.01H), 1.06 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 0.94H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 194.06, 189.15, 162.93, 162.00, 158.66, 157.33, 147.80, 146.90, 134.63, 134.38, 134.04, 133.68, 130.82, 129.05, 128.95, 128.85, 128.48, 126.82, 126.71, 120.54, 119.41, 62.92, 62.00, 14.04, 13.75. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. $[M+H]^+$ calcd for C₁₇H₁₆NO₃: 282.1130; Found 282.1129.



Methyl -3-(furan-2-yl)-3-oxo-2-(phenylimino)propanoate (1r) : mixture of Z and E, yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 8.03 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.30 – 6.77 (m, 4H), 6.52 (m, 1H), 3.94 (s, 1.19H), 3.69 (s, 1.55H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 180.49, 175.19, 163.23, 162.08, 156.55,

156.48, 150.46, 149.46, 148.91, 148.48, 147.39, 146.76, 129.22, 128.93, 127.20, 126.99, 124.62, 120.63, 120.40, 119.71, 113.05, 112.78, 53.56, 52.47. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. $[M+H]^+$ calcd for C₁₄H₁₂NO₄: 258.0766; Found 258.0767.



Methyl -3-oxo-2-(phenylimino)-3-(thiophen-2-yl)propanoate (1s) : mixture of Z and E, yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ 8.35 – 6.87 (m, 8H), 3.96 (s, 0.9H), 3.74 (s, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δδ 185.45, 179.84, 163.55, 162.20, 156.86, 156.52, 146.85, 146.71, 140.76,

137.78, 137.56, 136.97, 136.60, 135.42, 129.26, 129.00, 128.58, 127.90, 127.45, 127.21, 120.79, 120.05, 53.64, 52.49. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. $[M+H]^+$ calcd for $C_{14}H_{12}NO_3S$: 274.0538; Found 274.0538.



Methyl -4,4-dimethyl-3-oxo-2-(phenylimino)pentanoate (1t) :mixture of *Z* and *E*, yellow oil, ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.33 (dt, *J* = 11.7, 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.18 (q, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 3.95 (s, 1.72H), 3.63 (s, 1.27H), 1.41 (s, 3.9H), 0.86 (s, 5.25H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃)

δ 211.94, 203.77, 163.54, 162.40, 159.83, 156.12, 147.45, 147.38, 129.07, 128.98, 126.72, 126.62, 120.79, 119.31, 53.44, 52.13, 44.48, 43.32, 26.95, 26.27. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. $[M+H]^+$ calcd for C₁₄H₁₈NO₃: 248.1287; Found 248.1293.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((2-methoxyphenyl)imino)-5,5-dimethyl-3-oxohexanoate (1u) : yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.20 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 6.89 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 2.93 (s, 2H), 1.08 (s, 9H), 1.05 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 199.20, 163.21, 158.71, 149.75, 137.16, 127.68, 120.57, 119.59, 111.49, 61.49, 55.66, 48.29,

31.83, 29.83, 13.81. HRMS (ESI) m/z. $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{17}H_{23}NO_4Na$: 328.1525; Found 328.1517.



Methyl-3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-((4-
methoxyphenyl)imino)-3-oxopropanoate (1v) :mixture of
Z and E, yellow oil, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-d) δ
7.68 – 6.41 (m, 8H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.59 (s, 3H).
¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 193.47, 187.53, 164.78,
164.32, 162.89, 159.16, 155.89, 155.39, 140.31, 139.55,

133.33, 131.46, 127.40, 126.56, 123.85, 122.40, 116.30, 114.73, 114.44, 114.42, 114.15, 113.75,

55.63, 55.50, 55.40, 55.22, 53.26, 52.32. HRMS (ESI) m/z. $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{18}H_{17}NO_5Na:$ 350.1004; Found 350.1001.

3. Typical procedure for *N*-alkenylation:



Under argon atmosphere, a mixture of $[Rh(OH)(COD)]_2$ (0.01 mmol, 2.5mol %), ketimine (0.4 mmol), potassium alkenyltrifluoroborates (0.8 mmol, 2 equiv) and 150mg 4Å MS was added MeOH (1.2 mmol, 3 equiv) and dioxane (2 mL). The mixture was stirred at 80°C for 2 hours, After the reaction is completed, the mixture was filtered through a thin-layer of celite. The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/50 to1/10) to afford product as colorless oil.

 $\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{OH} \\ \mathsf{Ph-N} \\ \mathsf{OEt} \\ \mathsf{OEt} \\ \mathsf{Ph-N} \\ \mathsf{OEt} \\ \mathsf{OEt} \\ \mathsf{Ph-N} \\ \mathsf{OEt} \\ \mathsf{OEt} \\ \mathsf{OEt} \\ \mathsf{Ph-N} \\ \mathsf{OEt} \\ \mathsf{OEt} \\ \mathsf{OEt} \\ \mathsf{Ph-N} \\ \mathsf{OEt} \\ \mathsf{OEt} \\ \mathsf{OEt} \\ \mathsf{OEt} \\ \mathsf{Ph-N} \\ \mathsf{OEt} \\ \mathsf{OE} \\$

346.1419; found: 346.1413.



Ethyl (*E*)-3-hydroxy-2-(((*E*)-4-methylstyryl)(phenyl)amino)but-2enoate (3ab) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 95% yield (128.1 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.62 (s, 1H), 7.41 – 7.23 (m, 3H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 5.62 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.92 (s, 3H), 1.11 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.34, 171.29, 146.03, 135.22, 134.57, 130.66, 129.29, 124.53, 120.91, 115.98,

106.57, 105.71, 60.92, 20.99, 17.63, 14.12. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{21}H_{23}NO_3Na$: 360.1576; found: 360.1571.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-(((*E*)-4-ethylstyryl)(phenyl)amino)-3-hydroxybut-2-enoate (3ac) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 95% yield (133.1 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.62 (s, 1H), 7.35 (d, J = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.25 (m, 2H), 7.21 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.98 – 6.91 (m, 3H), 5.63 (d, J = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.61 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.91 (s, 3H), 1.23 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H), 1.11 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.38, 171.34, 146.09, 141.16, 135.55, 130.77, 129.33, 128.15, 124.64, 120.96, 116.04, 106.62, 105.77, 60.96, 28.49, 17.65, 15.72, 14.15. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₂₅NO₃Na: 374.1732; found: 374.1722.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-(((*E*)-4-fluorostyryl)(phenyl)amino)-3-hydroxybut-2-enoate (3ad) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 87% yield (118.8 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.61 (s, 1H), 7.45 – 7.10 (m, 5H), 6.94 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 5H), 5.59 (d, J = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.91 (s, 3H), 1.10 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.39, 171.20, 161.97, 159.55, 145.94, 134.25, 134.22, 131.27, 131.25, 129.34, 125.83, 125.76, 121.16, 116.10, 115.49, 115.28, 105.66, 105.46, 60.97, 17.64, 14.12.

¹⁹**F** NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -118.23. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z $[M+Na]^+$. calcd for C₂₀H₂₀FNO₃Na: 364.1325; found: 364.1323.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-(((*E*)-2-chlorostyryl)(phenyl)amino)-3-hydroxybut-2-enoate (3ae) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 90% yield (128.3 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.65 (s, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.22 (m, 4H), 7.17 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.09 – 6.85 (m, 4H), 5.95 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 4.38 – 4.05 (m, 2H), 1.95 (s, 3H), 1.14 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.47, 171.01, 145.85, 136.31, 133.49, 131.53, 129.66,

129.35, 126.72, 125.86, 124.91, 121.51, 116.38, 105.56, 102.97, 61.01, 17.62, 14.15. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{20}H_{20}CINO_3Na$: 380.1029; found: 380.1028.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-(((*E*)-3-chlorostyryl)(phenyl)amino)-3-hydroxybut-2enoate (3af) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 93% yield (132.8 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.62 (s, 1H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (dd, *J* = 16.7, 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (dd, *J* = 18.5, 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 3H), 5.55 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.92 (s, 3H), 1.12 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz,

3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.41, 171.03, 145.75, 140.24, 134.47, 132.64, 129.71, 129.36, 124.61, 124.23, 122.74, 121.57, 116.41, 105.53, 104.89, 61.02, 17.63, 14.11. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₀CINO₃Na: 380.1029; found: 380.1023.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-(((*E*)-4-chlorostyryl)(phenyl)amino)-3-hydroxybut-2-enoate (3ag) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 92% yield (131.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.60 (s, 1H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.23 – 7.13 (m, 4H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 3H), 5.56 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.90 (s, 3H), 1.09 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.44, 171.15, 145.89, 136.81, 132.07, 130.14, 129.40, 128.67, 125.72, 121.46, 116.34, 105.67, 105.25,

61.03, 17.69, 14.16. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₀ClNO₃Na: 380.1029; found:



Ethyl (*E*)-2-(((*E*)-4-bromostyryl)(phenyl)amino)-3-hydroxybut-2-enoate (3ah) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 93% yield (149.1 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.60 (s, 1H), 7.39 – 7.22 (m, 5H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 3H), 5.53 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.89 (s, 3H), 1.09 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.40, 171.08, 145.81, 137.22, 132.11, 131.54, 129.37, 126.04, 121.46, 117.94, 116.32, 105.59, 105.16, 61.01, 17.66, 14.12. HRMS

(ESI) m/z. $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{20}H_{20}BrNO_3Na$: 424.0524; found: 424.0524.



Ethyl (*E*)-3-hydroxy-2-(phenyl((*E*)-4-(trifluoromethyl)styryl)amino)but-2-enoate (3ai) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 91% yield (142.5 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.66 (s, 1H), 7.54 – 7.46 (m, 3H), 7.44 – 7.30 (m, 4H), 7.01 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 3H), 5.65 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.95 (s, 3H), 1.13 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.50, 171.01, 145.78, 142.10, 133.71, 129.46, 125.61, 125.58, 125.54,

125.50, 124.38, 121.94, 116.71, 105.61, 104.82, 61.10, 17.69, 14.14. ¹⁹**F** NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.09. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z [M+Na]⁺ calcd for $C_{21}H_{20}F_3NO_3Na$: 414.1293; found: 414.1290.



Methyl 4-((*E*)-2-(((*E*)-1-ethoxy-3-hydroxy-1-oxobut-2-en-2yl)(phenyl)amino)vinyl)benzoate (3aj) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 91% yield (138.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.64 (s, 1H), 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (q, *J* = 11.2, 10.1 Hz, 4H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 3H), 5.63 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 1.93 (s, 3H), 1.11 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz,

CDCl₃) δ 176.44, 170.93, 167.11, 145.67, 143.31, 133.87, 130.05, 129.40, 125.98, 124.04, 121.92, 116.69, 105.50, 105.23, 61.07, 51.83, 17.68, 14.10. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₂₃NO₅Na: 404.1474; found: 404.1464.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-(((*E*)-3,5-difluorostyryl)(phenyl)amino)-3-hydroxybut-2enoate (3ak) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 89% yield (127.8 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.63 (s, 1H), 7.41 (d, J = 13.7 Hz, 1H), 7.37 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.07 – 6.88 (m, 3H), 6.75 (d, J =7.2 Hz, 2H), 6.51 (tt, J = 9.0, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 5.53 (d, J = 13.7 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.92 (s, 3H), 1.13 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.48, 170.93, 164.65 (d, J = 13.8 Hz), 162.20 (d, J =

13.6 Hz), 145.67, 141.88 (d, J = 10.2 Hz), 133.81, 129.45, 122.00, 116.71, 107.52 - 106.16 (m),

105.55, 104.39, 99.72 (t, J = 25.9 Hz), 61.11, 24.80, 17.67, 14.14. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ - 111.04. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₁₉F₂NO₃Na: 382.1231; found: 382.1227.



Ethyl (*E*)-3-hydroxy-2-(((*E*)-2-(naphthalen-1yl)vinyl)(phenyl)amino)but-2-enoate (3al) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 92% yield (137.5 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.69 (s, 1H), 8.08 – 7.99 (m, 1H), 7.90 – 7.79 (m, 1H), 7.68 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.45 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 6.99 (dd, *J* = 16.7, 7.9 Hz,

3H), 6.34 (d, J = 13.5 Hz, 1H), 4.33 – 4.14 (m, 2H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 1.17 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.44, 171.31, 146.02, 135.52, 133.89, 133.57, 131.10, 129.40, 128.52, 125.83, 125.79, 125.67, 125.56, 123.92, 121.75, 121.24, 116.15, 105.94, 103.52, 61.07, 17.74, 14.25. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₄H₂₃NO₃Na: 396.1576; found: 396.1582.



Ethyl (*E*)-3-hydroxy-2-(((*E*)-2-(naphthalen-2yl)vinyl)(phenyl)amino)but-2-enoate (3am) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 91% yield (135.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.70 (s, 1H), 7.76 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 7.62 (s, 1H), 7.60 – 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.44 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (dd, J = 17.0, 8.2 Hz, 3H), 7.02 (dd, J = 15.9, 7.9 Hz, 3H), 5.84 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (qd, J = 7.2, 2.4 Hz, 2H), 1.98 (s, 3H), 1.14 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR

(101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.50, 171.29, 146.04, 135.77, 134.15, 131.94, 131.73, 129.43, 128.14, 127.64, 127.30, 126.21, 124.66, 123.17, 122.99, 121.34, 116.33, 106.74, 105.78, 61.06, 17.75, 14.20. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₄H₂₃NO₃Na: 396.1576; found: 396.1574.



Ethyl (*E*)-3-hydroxy-2-(phenyl((*E*)-2-(thiophen-2-yl)vinyl)amino)but-2enoate (3an) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 87% yield (114.3 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.61 (s, 1H), 7.50 – 7.13 (m, 3H), 7.06 – 6.84 (m, 5H), 6.75 (d, *J* = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 5.81 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.91 (s, 3H), 1.12 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.49, 171.11, 145.62, 142.85, 131.57, 129.34, 127.38, 121.69, 121.26, 120.38,

116.12, 105.48, 100.70, 61.02, 17.64, 14.11. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₉NO₃SNa: 352.0983; found: 352.0986.



Ethyl (*E*)-3-hydroxy-2-(phenyl((*E*)-2-(thiophen-3-yl)vinyl)amino)but-2enoate (3ao) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 87% yield (114.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.62 (s, 1H), 7.34 – 7.20 (m, 4H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 3H), 6.89 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1H), 5.69 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (q, *J* = 7.1, 6.4 Hz, 2H), 1.91 (s, 3H), 1.11 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.50, 171.33, 145.98, 139.71, 131.64, 129.36, 125.81, 124.51, 121.02, 116.80, 116.04, 105.64, 101.79, 61.01, 17.68, 14.17. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{18}H_{19}NO_3SNa$: 352.0983; found: 352.0983.



Methyl (*E*)-3-hydroxy-2-(phenyl((*E*)-styryl)amino)but-2-enoate (3ba) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 96% yield (118.5 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.57 (s, 1H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 7.29 (q, *J* = 7.5, 7.1 Hz, 6H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 3H), 5.63

(d, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 1.92 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.67, 171.72, 145.73, 138.01, 131.18, 129.42, 128.62, 125.01, 124.63, 121.16, 115.85, 106.55, 105.30, 52.13, 17.62. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₉H₁₉NO₃Na: 332.1263; found: 332.1260.



Methyl (*E*)-3-hydroxy-2-(phenyl((*E*)-styryl)amino)but-2-enoate (3ca) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 96% yield (135.0 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.72 (s, 1H), 7.30 (m, 7H), 7.07 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 5.62 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 1.90 (s, 3H), 1.31

(s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.50, 170.84, 146.31, 138.44, 131.66, 129.18, 128.60, 124.78, 124.54, 121.04, 116.43, 106.71, 106.23, 82.15, 28.02, 17.68. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₂₅NO₃Na: 374.1732; found: 374.1727.



Allyl (*E*)-3-hydroxy-2-(phenyl((*E*)-styryl)amino)but-2-enoate (3da) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 79% yield (105.8 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.56 (s, 1H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 7.38 - 7.19 (m, 6H), 7.11 (tt, *J* = 5.7, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 3H),

5.82 – 5.71 (m, 1H), 5.68 (d, J = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 5.18 – 4.96 (m, 2H), 4.66 (d, J = 5.2 Hz, 2H), 1.96 (s, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.97, 145.91, 138.13, 131.52, 131.40, 129.41, 128.63, 125.01, 124.68, 121.23, 117.60, 116.13, 106.72, 65.01, 17.71. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₁NO₃Na: 358.1419; found: 358.1413.



Benzyl (*E*)-3-hydroxy-2-(phenyl((*E*)-styryl)amino)but-2-enoate (3ea) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 93% yield (143.1 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.51 (s, 1H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 7.35

Ph -7.24 (m, 6H), 7.21 - 7.09 (m, 4H), 7.07 (d, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 7.03 - 6.92 (m, 3H), 5.67 (d, J = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 5.44 - 4.95 (m, 2H), 1.96 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.92, 171.06, 145.99, 138.07, 135.68, 131.48, 129.43, 128.62, 128.34, 127.86, 127.28, 125.04, 124.73, 121.28, 116.31, 106.96, 105.66, 66.24, 17.74. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₂₃NO₃Na: 408.1576; found: 408.1575.



Ethyl (*E*)-3-hydroxy-2-(phenyl((*E*)-styryl)amino)pent-2-enoate (3fa) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 94% yield (126.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.77 (s, 1H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 7.36 - 7.21 (m, 6H), 7.10 (tt, *J* = 5.7, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.05 - 6.87 (m, 3H), 5.65 (d, *J* =

13.8 Hz, 1H), 4.19 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.26 (ddt, J = 19.1, 14.7, 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.12 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.06 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 180.17, 171.43, 146.36, 138.26, 131.98, 129.30, 128.63, 124.94, 124.65, 121.12, 116.24, 106.77, 104.85, 60.99, 24.28, 14.17, 9.86. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₃NO₃Na: 360.1576; found: 360.1578.



Ethyl (*E*)-3-hydroxy-2-(((*E*)-styryl)(p-tolyl)amino)but-2-enoate (3ga) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 91% yield (122.4 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.62 (s, 1H), 7.38 – 7.22 (m, 3H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 6.95

(d, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 5.62 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 1.92 (s, 3H), 1.11 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.34, 171.29, 146.03, 135.22, 134.57, 130.66, 129.29, 124.53, 120.91, 115.98, 106.57, 105.71, 60.92, 20.99, 17.63, 14.12. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₃NO₃Na: 360.1576; found: 360.1566.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((4-chlorophenyl)((*E*)-styryl)amino)-3-hydroxybut-2enoate (3ha) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 93% yield (132.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.60 (s, 1H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.24 – 7.12 (m, 4H),

6.94 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 3H), 5.56 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.90 (s, 3H), 1.09 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.44, 171.15, 145.89, 136.81, 132.07, 130.14, 129.40, 128.67, 125.72, 121.46, 116.34, 105.67, 105.25, 61.03, 17.69, 14.16. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₀ClNO₃Na: 380.1029; found: 380.1028.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((4-bromophenyl)((*E*)-styryl)amino)-3-hydroxybut-2enoate (3ia) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 95% yield (152.2 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.60 (s, 1H), 7.50 – 7.16 (m, 5H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 3H),

5.53 (d, J = 13.7 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.89 (s, 3H), 1.09 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.40, 171.08, 145.81, 137.22, 132.11, 131.54, 129.37, 126.04, 121.46, 117.94, 116.32, 105.59, 105.16, 61.01, 17.66, 14.12. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₀BrNO₃Na: 424.0524; found: 424.0528.



Ethyl (*E*)-3-hydroxy-2-((4-nitrophenyl)((*E*)-styryl)amino)but-2enoate (3ja) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 98% yield (144.2 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.70 (s, 1H), 8.19 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 7.2

Hz, 4H), 7.20 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.91 (d, J = 13.8 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.93 (s, 3H), 1.13 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.81, 170.31, 150.67, 140.92, 136.63, 129.09, 128.77, 126.32, 125.92, 125.30, 114.31, 111.72, 104.89, 61.41, 17.62, 14.13. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₀N₂O₅Na: 391.1270; found: 391.1267.



Ethyl (*E*)-3-hydroxy-2-(((*E*)-styryl)(o-tolyl)amino)but-2-enoate (3ka) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 83% yield (111.9 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.60 (s, 1H), 7.28 – 7.11 (m, 6H), 7.12 – 6.98 (m, 3H), 6.94 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 5.42 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1H),

4.32 – 4.07 (m, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 1.16 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.41, 171.60, 145.13, 138.70, 136.26, 132.04, 131.67, 128.59, 126.49, 124.43, 124.24, 124.17, 123.57, 108.86, 103.81, 61.00, 19.44, 18.58, 14.04. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₃NO₃Na: 360.1576; found: 360.1577.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((2-fluorophenyl)((*E*)-styryl)amino)-3-hydroxybut-2enoate (3la) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 81% yield (110.3 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.53 (s, 1H), 7.22 (d, *J* = 4.4 Hz, 4H), 7.15 – 6.91 (m, 6H), 5.54 (d, *J* = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 4.39 – 4.05

(m, 2H), 1.99 (s, 3H), 1.13 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.32, 171.27, 156.49, 154.02, 138.16, 134.60 (d, J = 3.8 Hz), 128.59, 124.82, 124.59, 124.39 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 124.02 (d, J = 7.6 Hz), 123.59, 116.88 (d, J = 20.7 Hz), 107.04, 105.16, 60.96, 17.88, 14.09. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -124.16. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₀FNO₃Na: 364.1325; found: 364.1320.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((2-chlorophenyl)((*E*)-styryl)amino)-3-hydroxybut-2enoate (3ma) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 87% yield (124.3 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.58 (s, 1H), 7.35 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.25 - 7.14 (m, 5H), 7.13 - 6.96 (m, 4H), 5.50 (d, *J* = 14.0

Hz, 1H), 4.18 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 1.13 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.32, 171.37, 143.76, 138.26, 135.45, 131.36, 128.59, 127.36, 125.25, 124.80, 124.53, 107.57, 105.30, 61.01, 18.45, 14.12. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₀ClNO₃Na: 380.1029; found: 380.1030.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((2-bromophenyl)((*E*)-styryl)amino)-3-hydroxybut-2enoate (3na) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 89% yield (142.5 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.64 (s, 1H), 7.60 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.30 – 7.21 (m, 5H), 7.15 – 7.04 (m, 3H), 7.02 – 6.93

(m, 1H), 5.53 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (qd, J = 7.1, 2.1 Hz, 2H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 1.19 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.34, 171.37, 145.14, 138.28, 135.68, 134.78, 128.58, 127.98, 125.29, 125.11, 124.80, 124.50, 116.57, 107.72, 105.44, 61.03, 18.68, 14.16. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₀BrNO₃Na: 424.0524; found: 424.0522.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((3-chlorophenyl)((*E*)-styryl)amino)-3-hydroxybut-2enoate (3oa) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 93% yield (132.5 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.62 (s, 1H), 7.38 – 6.99 (m, 7H), 6.99 – 6.61 (m, 3H), 5.67 (d, *J* = 13.7 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (q, *J* =

7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.90 (s, 3H), 1.10 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 176.65, 170.92, 147.16, 137.66, 135.23, 130.61, 130.34, 128.67, 125.39, 124.85, 120.98, 115.95, 114.03, 108.01, 105.34, 61.12, 17.66, 14.15. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₀ClNO₃Na: 380.1029; found: 380.1025.



Ethyl (*E*)-2-((2,4-dimethylphenyl)((*E*)-styryl)amino)-3hydroxybut-2-enoate (3pa) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =20/1) in 91% yield (127.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 12.56 (s, 1H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 4H), 7.02 (d, *J* =

11.3 Hz, 2H), 6.97 - 6.81 (m, 3H), 5.35 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 4.45 - 4.05 (m, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 1.16 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 4H). ¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.28, 171.65, 142.56, 138.84, 136.53, 133.84, 132.56, 131.61, 128.56, 127.09, 124.25, 124.07, 123.56, 109.03, 103.22, 60.98, 20.70, 19.25, 18.58, 14.05. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₂₅NO₃Na: 374.1732; found: 374.1724.

4. Typical procedure for the synthesis of pyrroles:



Under argon atmosphere, a mixture of $[Rh(OH)(COD)]_2$ (0.01 mmol, 2.5mol %), ketimine (0.4 mmol), potassium alkenyltrifluoroborates (0.8 mmol, 2 equiv), and 4Å MS was added MeOH (1.2 mmol, 3 equiv) and dioxane (2 mL), The mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 2 hours. Cool the mixture to rt and then ZnBr₂ (2 mmol, 5 equiv) was added. The mixture was stirred at rt for 12 h. After the reaction was completed, the mixture was filtered through a thin-layer of celite. The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (eluent: EtOAc/petroleum ether = 1/20 to1/10) to afford product as white solid or colorless oil.



Ethyl 3-methyl-1,4-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4aa) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 84% yield (102.3 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.41 (q, *J* = 6.6, 5.0 Hz, 7H), 7.31 (t, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 3H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 4.14 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 1.10 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 141.45, 141.28, 124.80, 128.67, 128.47, 128.00, 127.46, 126.72, 126.42)

MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.45, 141.38, 134.80, 128.62, 128.57, 128.47, 128.00, 127.46, 126.73, 126.42, 126.39, 126.09, 121.69, 59.77, 14.03, 12.11. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₁₉NO₂Na: 328.1313; found: 328.1301.



Ethyl 3-methyl-1-phenyl-4-(p-tolyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4ab) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 82% yield (104.5 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.41 (dt, J = 13.6, 6.7 Hz, 3H), 7.32 (d, J =7.7 Hz, 4H), 7.23 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.95 (s, 1H), 4.15 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.49 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 1.12 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.49, 141.44, 136.06, 131.82, 129.21, 128.57, 128.53, 128.05, 127.42, 126.66, 126.37, 126.11, 121.59, 59.75, 21.18, 14.05, 12.14. HRMS (ESI) m/z.

 $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{21}H_{21}NO_2Na$: 342.1470; found: 342.1466.



Ethyl 4-(4-ethylphenyl)-3-methyl-1-phenyl-1*H***-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4ac) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 80% yield (106.5 mg). ¹H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.49 – 7.30 (m, 7H), 7.27 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 4.17 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.71 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 2.51 (s, 3H), 1.31 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H), 1.13 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C **NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.49, 142.42, 141.46, 132.09, 128.59, 128.57, 128.07, 128.00, 127.42, 126.69, 126.41, 126.12, 121.60, 59.75, 28.59, 15.60, 14.07, 12.17. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z.

[M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₂₃NO₂Na: 356.1626; found: 356.1625.



Ethyl 4-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-methyl-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4ad) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 77% yield (99.5 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.50 – 7.28 (m, 7H), 7.10 (t, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.93 (s, 1H), 4.15 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.47 (s, 3H), 1.11 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.77 (d, J = 245.4 Hz), 161.39, 141.31, 130.79 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 130.14 (d, J = 7.9 Hz), 128.60, 127.85, 127.53, 126.57, 126.09, 125.48, 121.70, 115.35 (d, J = 21.3 Hz), 59.81, 14.03, 12.02. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz,

CDCl₃) δ -116.39. HRMS (ESI) m/z. $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{20}H_{18}FNO_2Na;$ 346.1219; found: 346.1219.



Ethyl 4-(2-chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4ae) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 80% yield (108.1 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.57 – 7.23 (m, 9H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 4.17 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 1.14 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.41, 141.26, 134.28, 133.55, 132.43, 129.72, 129.49, 128.55, 128.39, 127.82, 127.50, 126.49, 126.18, 123.47, 120.94, 59.77, 14.10, 12.26. HRMS (ESI) m/z.

 $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{20}H_{18}CINO_2Na$: 362.0924; found: 362.0920.



Ethyl 4-(3-chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-1-phenyl-1*H***-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4af)** : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 82% yield (111.0 mg). ¹**H NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.50 – 7.36 (m, 4H), 7.36 – 7.21 (m, 5H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 4.16 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.49 (s, 3H), 1.11 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H).¹³**C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.33, 141.22, 136.71, 134.30, 129.71, 128.64, 128.51, 127.81, 127.63, 126.76, 126.69, 126.43, 126.08, 125.10, 121.96, 59.87, 14.04, 12.08. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₁₈ClNO₂Na: 362.0924; found:

362.0923.



Ethyl 4-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-methyl-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4ag) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 82% yield (111.3 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.48 – 7.27 (m, 9H), 6.94 (s, 1H), 4.14 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 1.10 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.33, 141.26, 133.29, 132.30, 129.81, 128.64, 128.61, 127.77, 127.58, 126.58, 126.08, 125.25, 121.91, 59.83, 14.01, 12.03. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₁₈CINO₂Na: 362.0924; found: 362.0921.



Ethyl 4-(4-bromophenyl)-3-methyl-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4ah) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 80% yield (122.3 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.52 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.46 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.33 – 7.22 (m, 4H), 6.94 (s, 1H), 4.14 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H), 1.10 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.32, 141.24, 133.77, 131.60, 130.16, 128.62, 127.73, 127.61, 126.55, 126.08, 125.24, 121.93, 120.38, 59.85, 14.03, 12.06. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₁₈BrNO₂Na: 406.0419;

found: 406.0413.



Ethyl 3-methyl-1-phenyl-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-2carboxylate (4ai) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 79% yield (117.9 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.67 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.42 (dd, J = 11.0, 7.1 Hz, 3H), 7.32 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (s, 1H), 4.16 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.51 (s, 3H), 1.11 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.28, 141.16, 138.60 (d, J = 1.5 Hz), 128.64 (d, J = 5.5 Hz), 128.37 (d, J = 32.3 Hz), 127.77, 127.71, 126.84, 126.08, 125.76,

125.43 (q, J = 3.8 Hz), 125.07, 123.06, 122.21, 59.92, 13.99, 12.07. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -62.29. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for: C₂₁H₁₈F₃NO₂Na: 396.1187; found: 396.1188.



Ethyl 3-methyl-1-phenyl-4-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-2carboxylate (4aj) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 79% yield (114.5 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 8.07 (d, J = 8.3Hz, 2H), 7.49 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.46 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.31 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (s, 1H), 4.14 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 2.50 (s, 3H), 1.09 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.08, 161.29, 141.19, 139.71, 129.84, 128.63, 128.18, 127.91, 127.87, 127.66, 126.96, 126.06,

125.37, 122.24, 59.88, 52.06, 13.99, 12.17. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₂₁NO₄Na: 386.1368; found: 386.1357.



Ethyl 4-(3,5-difluorophenyl)-3-methyl-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2carboxylate (4ak) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 76% yield (103.9 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.50 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 6.97 (s, 1H), 6.93 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 6.73 (t, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 4.14 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.49 (s, 3H), 1.10 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.07 (dd, *J* = 247.4, 13.4 Hz), 161.21, 141.07, 138.15 (t, *J* = 10.3 Hz), 128.66, 127.75, 127.55, 126.72, 126.05, 124.39 (t, *J* = 2.6

Hz), 122.22, 112.05 – 109.10 (m), 101.62 (t, J = 25.4 Hz), 59.94, 13.98, 12.01. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -110.33. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₁₇F₂NO₂Na: 364.1125; found: 364.1120.



Ethyl 4-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-methyl-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4ap) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 82% yield (109.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.42 (q, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 7.36 – 7.28 (m, 4H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.92 (s, 1H), 4.15 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.47 (s, 3H), 1.11 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.47, 158.38, 141.44, 129.75, 128.56, 128.00, 127.40, 127.23, 126.50, 126.10, 121.49, 113.95, 59.73, 55.31, 14.05, 12.10. HRMS (ESI) m/z.

 $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for C₂₁H₂₁NO₃Na: 358.1419; found: 358.1411.



Ethyl 3-methyl-4-(naphthalen-2-yl)-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4am) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 83% yield (117.4 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.97 – 7.83 (m, 4H), 7.59 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.31 (m, 5H), 7.09 (s, 2H), 4.19 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.60 (s, 3H), 1.15 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.49, 141.42, 133.66, 132.33, 132.14, 128.64, 128.23, 128.03, 127.88, 127.72, 127.54, 127.34, 127.05, 126.88, 126.40, 126.21, 126.15, 125.63, 121.88, 59.84, 14.09, 12.32. HRMS (ESI) m/z.

 $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{24}H_{21}NO_2Na$: 378.1470; found: 378.1466.



Ethyl ethyl 3-methyl-1-phenyl-4-(thiophen-2-yl)-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4an) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 76% yield (94.7 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.40 (dd, *J* = 10.8, 7.2 Hz, 3H), 7.29 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (t, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (s, 1H), 4.13 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (s, 3H), 1.09 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.27, 141.17, 136.55, 128.60, 127.98, 127.62, 127.45, 126.74, 126.11, 124.34,

123.68, 121.92, 119.37, 59.84, 13.98, 12.08. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{18}H_{17}NO_2SNa$: 334.0878; found: 334.0874.



Ethyl 3-methyl-1-phenyl-4-(thiophen-3-yl)-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4ao) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 73% yield (90.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.47 – 7.34 (m, 4H), 7.34 – 7.28 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 7.23 (m, 1H), 7.21 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (s, 1H), 4.15 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.54 (s, 3H), 1.11 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.41, 141.36, 135.07, 128.60, 128.00, 127.92, 127.51, 126.60, 126.13, 125.39, 121.68, 121.26,

120.39, 59.80, 14.03, 12.28. HRMS (ESI) m/z. $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{18}H_{17}NO_2SNa$: 334.0878; found: 334.0877.



Ethyl 3-methyl-1-phenyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*-indole-2-carboxylate (4aq) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 63% yield (71.1 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.37 (dd, *J* = 12.2, 7.3 Hz, 3H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 4.05 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.47 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 2.24 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 1.75 (q, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 4H), 1.04 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz,

CDCl₃) δ 161.55, 140.10, 136.04, 128.45, 127.93, 127.64, 127.35, 119.76, 118.94, 59.06, 23.26, 23.03, 22.93, 21.21, 14.05, 10.97. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₂₁NO₂Na: 306.1470; found: 306.1461.



Ethyl 3,5-dimethyl-1-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4ar) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 51% yield (49.3 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.41 (q, *J* = 7.9, 7.2 Hz, 3H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 5.92 (s, 1H), 4.04 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 1.05 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.29, 140.32, 136.04, 130.26, 128.58, 127.87, 127.73, 120.70, 111.11, 59.13, 14.03, 13.80, 12.83. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₅H₁₇NO₂Na: 266.1157; found: 266.1150.



Diethyl 3,5-dimethyl-1-phenyl-1*H***-pyrrole-2,4-dicarboxylate (4as)** : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 54% yield (68.3 mg). ¹H **NMR** (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.44 (dd, *J* = 5.3, 1.8 Hz, 3H), 7.21 – 6.94 (m, 2H), 4.32 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.02 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.62 (s, 3H), 2.23

(s, 3H), 1.37 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 0.99 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³**C** NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.62, 161.11, 141.69, 139.43, 131.58, 128.83, 128.33, 127.77, 121.78, 113.34, 59.67, 14.46, 13.82, 12.98, 12.39. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₂₁NO₄Na: 338.1368; found: 338.1363.



Methyl 3-methyl-1,4-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4ba) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 84% yield (97.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.52 – 7.37 (m, 7H), 7.34 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 6.99 (s, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 2.51 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.96, 141.24, 134.77,

128.67, 128.65, 128.51, 128.07, 127.54, 127.05, 126.51, 126.46, 126.02, 121.46, 50.92, 12.22. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for C₁₉H₁₇NO₂Na: 314.1157; found: 314.1150.



Tert-butyl 3-methyl-1,4-diphenyl-1*H***-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4ca)** : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 79% yield (105.4 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.50 – 7.36 (m, 7H), 7.36 – 7.28 (m, 3H), 6.93 (s, 1H), 2.50 (s, 3H), 1.32 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.68, 141.75, 134.95, 128.65,

128.60, 128.47, 127.59, 127.29, 126.42, 126.33, 126.01, 125.92, 122.99, 80.52, 28.05, 11.99. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₂₃NO₂Na: 356.1626; found: 356.1625.



Allyl 3-methyl-1,4-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4da) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 67% yield (84.8 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.48 – 7.35 (m, 7H), 7.31 (t, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 3H), 6.98 (s, 1H), 5.78 (ddt, *J* = 16.3, 10.8, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 5.21 – 5.07 (m, 2H), 4.61 (d, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 2H),

2.50 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.08, 141.29, 134.73, 132.27, 129.42, 128.64, 128.47, 128.35, 127.52, 127.08, 126.53, 126.43, 126.06, 117.69, 114.24, 64.58, 12.22. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₁₉NO₂Na: 340.1313; found: 340.1308.



Benzyl 3-methyl-1,4-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4ea) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 81% yield (119.2 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.48 – 7.36 (m, 7H), 7.35 – 7.26 (m, 5H), 7.22 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.99 (s, 1H), 5.19 (s, 2H), 2.54 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.21,

141.32, 136.03, 134.72, 128.72, 128.67, 128.64, 128.52, 128.38, 128.13, 127.94, 127.55, 127.17, 126.59, 126.49, 126.09, 121.39, 65.75, 12.32. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₅H₂₁NO₂Na: 390.1470; found: 390.1464.



Ethyl 3-methyl-4-phenyl-1-(p-tolyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4ga) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 85% yield (108.7 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.48 – 7.37 (m, 4H), 7.31 (dt, *J* = 5.9, 3.0 Hz, 1H), 7.27 – 7.17 (m, 4H), 6.97 (s, 1H), 4.20 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz,

2H), 2.52 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H), 1.18 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.53, 138.88, 137.33, 134.92, 129.19, 128.67, 128.49, 127.67, 126.89, 126.37, 126.27, 125.92, 121.71, 59.78, 21.17, 14.17, 12.22. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₂₁NO₂Na: 342.1470; found: 342.1475.



Ethyl 1-(2-bromophenyl)-3-methyl-4-phenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4na) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 76% yield (116.6 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.67 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.34 (m, 6H), 7.34 – 7.22 (m, 2H), 6.86 (s, 1H), 4.12 (p, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.53 (s, 3H),

1.08 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.13, 141.11, 134.72, 132.77, 129.39, 129.03, 128.66, 128.46, 127.68, 127.52, 126.71, 126.43, 126.01, 122.38, 121.99, 59.71, 13.98, 12.17. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₁₈NO₂BrNa: 406.0419; found: 406.0415.



Ethyl 1,3,4-triphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4qa) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 88% yield (129.1 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.55 – 7.43 (m, 5H), 7.39 (q, *J* = 7.2, 6.7 Hz, 5H), 7.22 (q, *J* = 7.5, 6.5 Hz, 5H), 7.17 (s, 1H), 4.01 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 0.89 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H).

¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.09, 141.00, 135.15, 134.27, 131.81, 130.90, 128.86, 128.30, 128.28, 127.81, 127.65, 126.92, 126.38, 126.21, 126.04, 125.56, 121.95, 60.03, 13.56. HRMS (ESI)



Methyl 3-(furan-2-yl)-1,4-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4ra) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 83% yield (113.7 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.54 – 7.45 (m, 4H), 7.42 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 7.32 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.29 – 7.20 (m, 3H), 7.12 (s, 1H), 6.63 –

6.37 (m, 2H), 3.62 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.08, 147.36, 141.91, 140.53, 134.02, 128.91, 128.31, 128.02, 127.91, 126.60, 126.41, 126.39, 125.82, 122.78, 120.25, 110.91, 110.32, 51.41. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₁₇NO₃Na: 366.1106; found: 366.1106.



Methyl 1,4-diphenyl-3-(thiophen-2-yl)-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4sa) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 83% yield (119.3 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.58 – 7.39 (m, 5H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 5H), 7.13 (s, 1H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 3.9 Hz, 2H),

3.57 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.28, 140.70, 135.36, 133.93, 128.95, 128.55, 128.35, 128.29, 127.97, 126.74, 126.62, 126.56, 126.43, 125.98, 125.80, 123.51, 122.63, 51.25. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₁₇NO₂SNa: 382.0878; found: 382.0872.



Ethyl 3-(tert-butyl)-1,4-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4ta) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 85% yield (118.2 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.45 – 7.27 (m, 10H), 6.65 (s, 1H), 4.07 (q, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.31 (s, 9H), 1.01 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.02,

140.80, 138.45, 135.20, 131.01, 128.99, 127.49, 127.10, 126.60, 125.93, 124.79, 124.29, 122.52, 60.95, 33.30, 32.44, 13.59. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{23}H_{25}NO_2Na$: 370.1783; found: 370.1780.



Ethyl 1-(2-methoxyphenyl)-3-neopentyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro-1*H*indole-2-carboxylate (4uq) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =10/1) in 48% yield (70.6 mg). The ee was determined by HPLC analysis on a Daicel Chiralpak AD column: hexane/i-PrOH 98:2, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm: $\tau_1 = 4.643$ min., $\tau_2 = 6.157$ min. ¹H NMR

(400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 4.00 (q, *J* = 6.4, 5.8 Hz, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 2.93 – 2.63 (m, 2H), 2.49 (s, 2H), 2.37 – 2.11 (m, 2H), 1.73 (m, 4H), 1.03 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 0.97 (s, 9H). ¹³C **NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.77, 155.36, 135.35, 129.56, 129.34, 129.08, 128.70, 121.09, 120.29, 119.55, 111.86, 58.81, 55.82, 37.92, 33.80, 29.95, 23.73, 23.02, 22.83, 22.61, 13.96. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₃H₃₁NO₃Na: 392.2202; found: 392.2200.





Methyl 1,3,4-tris(4-methoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrrole-2-carboxylate (4vp) : Colorless oil was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =4/1) in 46% yield (81.9 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.31 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (s, 1H), 6.96 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.75 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.47 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 161.69, 158.94, 158.45, 158.03, 134.06, 131.83, 121.01 and 26 and 27.05 and 27.05 and 26.02 and 27.05 and 20.02 and 20.

MeO OMe 131.01, 129.36, 127.30, 127.05, 126.82, 126.52, 124.98, 121.32, 113.87, 113.67, 113.05, 55.50, 55.16, 55.14, 50.89. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for C₂₇H₂₅NO₅Na: 466.1630; found: 466.1623.

5. Typical procedures for the synthesis of 5a



A solution of pyrrole **4aa** (153 mg, 0.5 mmol) in EtOH (5 mL) was added sodium hydroxide in ethanol (0.5 mmol/mL, 1.5 mL) at 85 °C for 48 h. When TLC monitoring on silica gel indicated complete consumption of pyrrole **4aa**, the mixture was cooled to room temperature and evaporated all the volatiles under reduced pressure. The residue was extracted with dichloromethane and water, and adjusted the water phase to acidic. The organic phase was collected, dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, filtered, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluent: petroleum/ethyl acetate = 2:1, v/v), affording **5aa** (130.0 mg, 94% yield) as a white solid.



3-methyl-1,4-diphenyl-1*H***-pyrrole-2-carboxylic acid (5a)** : white solid. was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =2/1) in 94% yield (130.0 mg). ¹**H** NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.47 – 7.36 (m, 7H), 7.36 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.00 (s, 1H), 2.49 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 166.03, 140.97, 134.50, 130.56, 130.11,

128.68, 128.50, 128.40, 127.54, 126.78, 126.54, 125.97, 120.48, 12.40. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₁₈H₁₅NO₂Na: 300.1000; found: 300.0989.

6. Typical procedures for the synthesis of 5b



Lithium aluminium hydride (38 mg, 1 mmol) was stirred in dry THF at 0 °C. Then pyrrole **4aa** (153 mg, 0.5 mmol) was dissolved in THF and added drop wise to the solution of lithium aluminium hydride at 0 °C. Then, the mixture was slowly warmed to room temperature till the completion (1 h) of reaction as monitored by TLC. It was then cooled to 0 °C, and 10 mL of water was added successively. Then reaction mixture was allowed to stir for 0.5 h, filtered through celite and washed with ethyl acetate, dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, concentrated and purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluent: petroleum/ethyl acetate = 4:1, v/v), affording **5b** (120.0 mg, 91% yield) as a white solid.



(3-methyl-1,4-diphenyl-1*H*-pyrrol-2-yl)methanol (5b) : white solid. was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =4/1) in 91% yield (120.0 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Chloroform-*d*) δ 7.57 - 7.43 (m, 6H), 7.43 - 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.28 (m, 1H), 6.99 (s, 1H), 4.59 (s, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 1.58 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 139.79,

135.90, 129.61, 129.34, 128.47, 128.00, 127.15, 125.87, 125.49, 125.39, 120.34, 117.93, 54.15, 10.49. **HRMS** (ESI) m/z. $[M+Na]^+$ calcd for $C_{18}H_{17}NONa$: 286.1208; found: 286.1201.

7. Typical procedures for the synthesis of Lamellarin R



To a magnetically stirred solution of 4vp (88 mg, 0.2 mmol) in DCM (4 mL) was added BBr₃ (1 mL, 1 M in DCM, 1 mmol) at 0 °C, and the resulting mixture was stirred at rt for 12 hours. The reaction was quenched with the addition of MeOH (2 mL), and the solvent were removed under vacuum. The residue was dissolved in water (10 mL) and extracted with EtOAc (10 mL × 4). The combined organic phase was dried (Na₂SO₄) and evaporated, purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluent: petroleum/ethyl acetate = 1:1, v/v), affording Lamellarin R (65.7 mg, 82% yield) as colorless oil.



Methyl 1,3,4-tris(4-hydroxyphenyl)-1*H*-pyrrole-2carboxylate (Lamellarin R) : colorless oil. was isolated as single diasteroisomer by flash column chromatography (petroleum/ethyl acetate =1/1) in 82% yield (65.7 mg). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, Acetone- d_6) δ 8.64 (s, 1H), 8.30 (s, 1H), 8.21 (s, 1H), 7.23 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 7.07 (d, J = 8.5Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.92 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.78 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.67 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 3.40 (s, 3H). ¹³C

NMR (101 MHz, Acetone) δ 161.25, 156.73, 156.24, 155.81, 133.14, 131.80, 130.35, 129.33, 126.64, 126.25, 125.92, 125.75, 124.91, 121.50, 115.20, 114.93, 114.38, 50.00. HRMS (ESI) m/z. [M+Na]⁺ calcd for C₂₄H₁₉NO₅Na: 424.1161; found: 424.1153.

8. Proposed mechanism for the reaction



9. NMR spectra


















































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