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Preface

There was a time when stereoselectivity of a reaction was mostly of mechanistic interest and reactions that could result in the formation of stereoisomers were considered a nuisance and had to be avoided at best. However, this situation has changed over the past two decades, during which stereoselective synthesis has grown into a reliable methodology. This development began with the remodelling of readily available chiral compounds from nature. More recently, these “ex-chiral-pool” synthetic strategies have been complemented and, in many cases, surpassed by the powerful techniques of asymmetric synthesis.

Originally, only a few laboratories were concerned with the design of routes to enantiomerically pure compounds. Since the demand for nonracemic chiral drugs and pesticides has enormously increased, methods of asymmetric synthesis are now bound to be applied by almost every practising chemist. However, newcomers to the field soon find themselves confronted with a confusing vocabulary, with no guidance as to the appropriate method to solve their problem, and with lack of well-documented procedures. This situation frequently leads to frustration or at least to unnecessary work.

This called for the present volume set of the HOUBEN-WEYL series *Methods of Organic Chemistry*. Since the 1950s HOUBEN-WEYL has served the synthetic community by giving comprehensive critical reviews of the existing synthetic methods in a consistent style and with high reliability. The editors, authors and publisher of HOUBEN-WEYL “Stereoselective Synthesis” have worked together to confer this philosophy to the field of asymmetric synthesis. Thus, we hope to supply a treatise which should become the standard reference in the field.

“Stereoselective Synthesis” gives a comprehensive treatment of chemical transformations in which a new stereocenter is created, i.e., all enantio- and those diastereodifferentiating reactions which allow the absolute and relative configuration of a new stereogenic unit to be controlled. Consequently, mechanism-controlled reactions (e.g. S_N2 displacements), “ex-chiral-pool” syntheses which do not lead to new stereogenic units, and *E/Z* selective formation of alkenes are not covered.

Following the general introductory chapters covering principles, nomenclature, separation and analysis, the chapters on individual synthetic methods are organized by the type of bond that is broken or formed. Only starting material and products are considered as a basis for the classification, not the reaction mechanism. In the typical HOUBEN-WEYL style, the scope of the most important methods is illustrated with tables of selected examples. Insight into the practical application of the methods can be obtained from the experimental procedures provided.

The wealth of material forced us to break up the work into five volumes (E21a through f). Access to and properties of the common chiral auxiliaries, solvents, reagents and catalysts which are used in various different reactions is covered comprehensively in Volume E 21e avoiding duplication of information in the individual chapters.

The transition of HOUBEN-WEYL from German to English brought about changes in the layout and in the style of presentation without, however, sacrificing the high standard of quality and reliability that is the hallmark of HOUBEN-WEYL.

Special thanks go to our 101 authors who have spent a great deal of time and effort to achieve the goals we have set. We are also indebted to the editorial staff in Stuttgart, who had to cope with the special challenges of editing and publishing a gigantic amount of complex material.

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R. HERRMANN

Introduction

The purpose of this appendix is to survey chiral auxiliaries, solvents, reagents, and catalysts which are often used in stereoselective bond-forming reactions, thus avoiding repetition of details on the synthesis of these compounds in the other sections of Houben-Weyl Volume E21 which discuss specific reaction types. It will not contain every chiral compound ever used in asymmetric synthesis, but will focus on compounds mentioned in this Houben-Weyl volume. Reagents used exclusively for the resolution of racemates are not included, as these are treated in more detail in Section A.2. Enzymes, which can also be considered as chiral catalysts, are also not discussed; they are beyond the scope of this section, which concentrates on chemical techniques.

This survey is structured by functional groups and/or common structures present in the compounds considered. This implies that structural analogy rather than synthetic logic defines the place where a specific compound can be found; there are only a few exceptions to this principle. For example, compounds mimicking the typical reactivity of others are treated together, such as chiral oxaziridines and sultams, which are included in Section 3.4.11., although they do not contain the bicyclo[2.2.1]skeleton which is the general topic of Section 3.4. This section also contains a subsection on ring-enlarged (3.4.9.) and ring-cleaved (3.4.10.) derivatives of camphor, where synthetic logic has been chosen as the ordering principle. In cases of doubt, the reader should use the tabular survey at the end of the section which they expect to contain the compound. Generally, the logic is applied that a compound should appear as early as possible if it can be attributed to more than one section. A few exceptions are made for closely related compounds such as phosphorus and sulfur compounds which are listed in specific sections, as their syntheses are often closely related. Wherever possible, cross-references are made to sections where their precursors are described.

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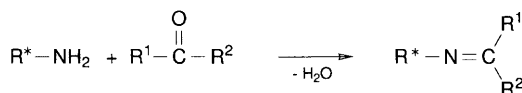
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A	Sigma-Aldrich-Chemie GmbH & Co. KG	Postfach 11 20, D-89555 Steinheim
B	Boehringer Ingelheim KG	Chemicals Division, D-55216 Ingelheim
C	Carl Roth GmbH & Co.	Schoemperlenstr. 1–5, D-76185 Karlsruhe
D	Degussa AG	GB Industrie- und Feinchemikalien, Postfach 11 05 33, D-60287 Frankfurt
F	Fluka Chemie AG	Industriestr. 25, CH-9470 Buchs
J	Acros Chimica	Postfach 23, D-61130 Nidderau
M	Merck KGaA	D-84271 Darmstadt
R	Riedel-de-Haën AG	Postfach 100262, D-30918 Seelze
T	Tokyo Kasei Kogyo Co. Ltd. (TCI)	3-1-13, Nihonbashi-Honcho, Chuo-Ku, Tokyo 103, Japan

After every section, a tabular survey is given of the auxiliaries, reagents, and catalysts, which includes common names and synonyms, acronyms, leading references to synthesis, cross-references to the sections in this volume where they are described and/or applied, and commercial sources. The last item is based on information from specific suppliers and is not comprehensive. Information has only been considered which allows comparison of the enantiomeric purity, e.g., by citing optical rotation or enantiomeric excess. The abbreviations used for suppliers are given in Table 1. The address is given for each company, however, readers may find it more convenient to contact a local supplier for the same company.

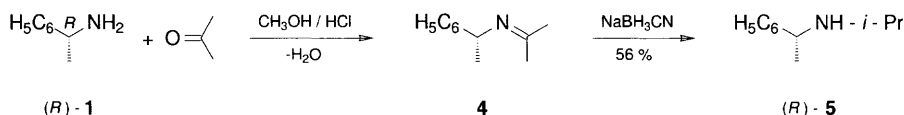
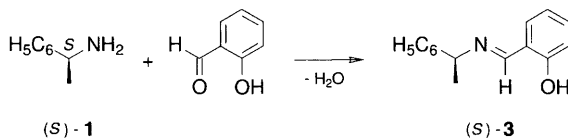
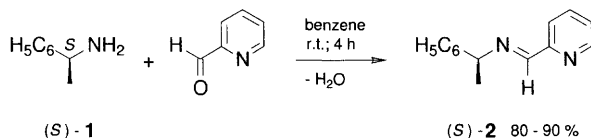
1. Amines

1.1. Monoamines

Among monoamines, both enantiomers of 1-phenylethylamine and their derivatives play a prominent role. They are commercially available, but can also be prepared by resolution of the racemate, obtainable by Leuckart–Wallach reaction of acetophenone¹, with malic acid² or, more conveniently, with tartaric acid in methanol³. They are used as chiral additives for the addition of zinc alkyls to aldehydes in Section D.1.3.1.4., as copper complexes for the synthesis of biaryls in Section B.2., as lithium salts for enantioselective deprotonation in Section C., and as imines in Sections D.1.1.1.3.1., D.1.1.1.4., D.1.4.4., D.1.5.2., D.1.5.8., D.1.6.1.2.1., D.2.3.1., and D.8. A general procedure for the synthesis of imines from carbonyl compounds and primary amines, with many examples of both chiral carbonyl compounds and chiral amines is given in reference 4.



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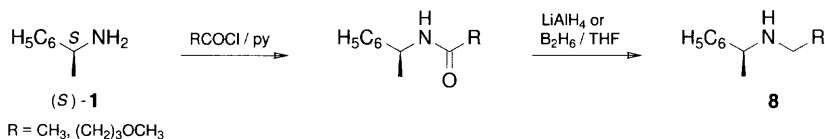


(S)-N-(2-Pyridinylmethylene)-1-phenylethylamine [(S)-PPEI, (S)-2]⁴:

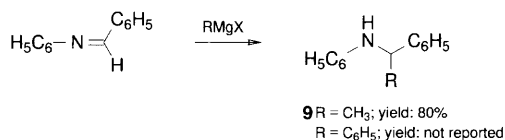
To a solution of 10.7 g (0.10 mol) of 2-pyridinecarboxaldehyde in 150 mL of dry benzene are added 13.3 g (0.11 mol) of (–)-(S)-1-phenylethylamine. The water formed in the reaction is removed by the addition of Na₂SO₄ (about 10 g is required). After stirring for 4 h at r.t., the Na₂SO₄ is filtered off, the solvent is evaporated, and the residue is purified by Kugelrohr distillation, bath temperature 140–150 °C (high vacuum); yield: 80–90%.

This amine has been used as the lithium salt for deprotonation reactions (Sections D.1.6.3.2. and C.).

Other *N*-substituents may be more conveniently introduced by reduction of the corresponding amide, e.g., formation of **8**⁸.

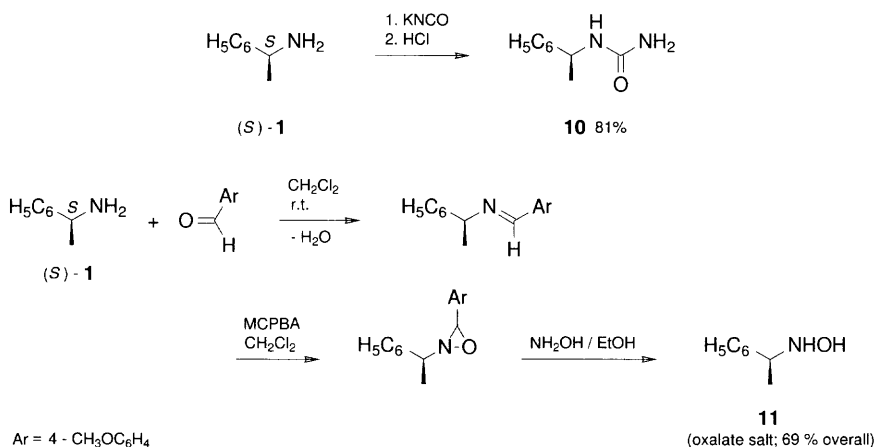


N-Phenyl groups and other tertiary groups cannot be introduced by such reduction techniques. To obtain these compounds, simple imines, such as *N*-benzylideneaniline, are treated with Grignard reagents to obtain secondary amines **9**⁹ which are resolved with (+)-10-camphorsulfonic acid¹⁰.



Both enantiomers of the tertiary amine *N,N*-dimethyl-1-phenylethylamine are readily available by conventional Leuckart–Wallach reaction (formaldehyde/formic acid) of the enantiomers of 1-phenylethylamine^{12, 13}. The reaction is most conveniently performed by the technique developed for the racemate¹⁴. Both enantiomers are also commercially available and have been used for enantioselective deprotonations (Section C.) and as catalysts for the addition of dialkylzinc to aldehydes (Section D.1.3.1.4.).

Other derivatives of 1-phenylethylamines include the urea **10**, which is used in the preparation of chiral aminophosphonic acid (Section D.8), and which is formed by the action of potassium isocyanate on the amine **1**¹¹, and (*S*)-*N*-phenylethylhydroxylamine **11**, used for the formation of chiral nitrones for 1,3-dipolar cycloadditions (Section D.1.6.1.2.1.)¹⁵.



(–)-(S)-*N*-Hydroxy-1-phenylethylammonium Oxalate (11**)¹⁵:**

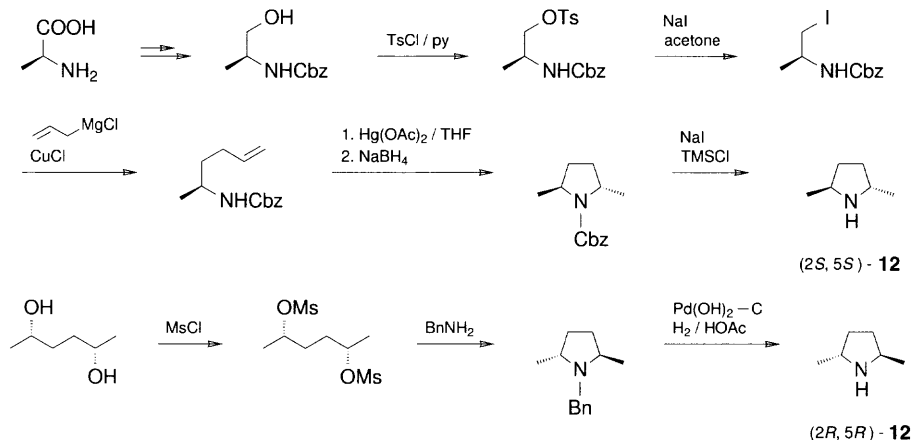
A mixture of 200 g of MgSO₄, 600 mL of CH₂Cl₂, 96.3 g (0.79 mol) of (–)-(S)-1-phenylethylamine, and 110 mL (0.90 mol) of methoxybenzaldehyde is stirred under Ar at r.t. overnight. The filtrate is transferred to a flask equipped with a mechanical stirrer and cooled to 0 °C under Ar. Then, 208 g (1.02 mol) of 85 % MCPBA slurried in 400 mL of CH₂Cl₂ are added. The temperature rises to 17 °C, and then declines. Stirring is continued for 2.5 h. The mixture is filtered, the solid is washed with 500 mL of CH₂Cl₂, and the filtrate

is washed successively with 600 mL of 0.5 M Na_2SO_3 , 800 mL of 0.5 M K_2CO_3 , 200 mL of H_2O , and finally dried with Na_2SO_4 . Removal of the solvent in vacuo (water bath below 30°C) gives 221 g of a residue which is dissolved in 1 L of dry EtOH , cooled to 0°C under Ar, and treated with 75.5 g (1.09 mol) of $\text{NH}_2\text{OH} \cdot \text{HCl}$. The mixture is stirred overnight during which time the mixture is allowed to reach r.t. 1.5 L of CHCl_3 is added to precipitate excess of $\text{NH}_2\text{OH} \cdot \text{HCl}$. After 2 h, the mixture is filtered and the solvents are removed under reduced pressure. The residue is dissolved in 500 mL of H_2O and washed twice with 500-mL portions of Et_2O . The aqueous phase is treated with 500 mL of sat. aq NaHCO_3 and extracted five times with 500-mL portions of Et_2O . The combined extracts are dried over Na_2SO_4 and filtered into a flask containing 94 g (1.04 mol) of anhyd oxalic acid in 600 mL of Et_2O . The precipitated salt is recrystallized from $\text{EtOH}/\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ to give the product: yield: 123.6 g (69%); mp $177\text{--}180^\circ\text{C}$ (dec.); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} -2.6$ ($c = 1.02$, CH_3OH).

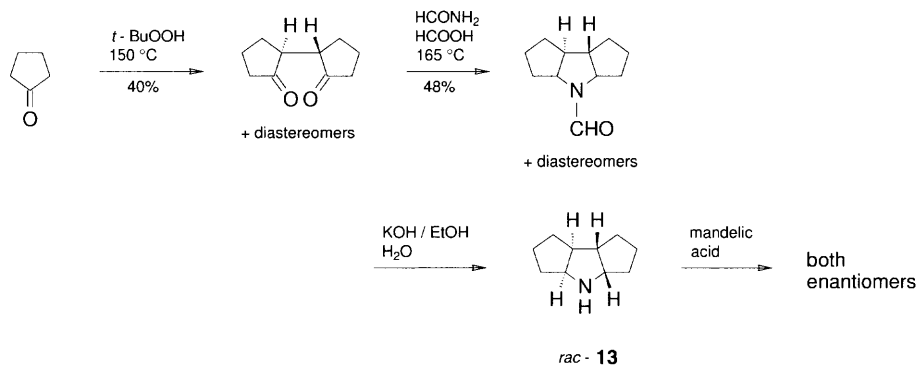
As a close analog to 1-phenylethylamine but possessing greater steric hindrance, (*S*)-1-naphthylethylamine has been employed as an auxiliary for the alkylation of azaenolates via imines (Section D.1.1.1.4.) and amides (Section D.1.5.1.). The racemate (obtained by reductive amination of 1-acetylnaphthalene) is best resolved with tartaric acid¹⁶ (see also ref 17).

Another simple amine used as an auxiliary in [2,3] sigmatropic rearrangements (Section D.1.6.3.2.) is (*S*)-2-butanamine. It is commercially available, but expensive, and can be obtained from the inexpensive racemate by resolution with tartaric acid^{18, 19}.

Several heterocyclic monoamines have also found applications (Section C.). Both enantiomers of 2,5-dimethylpyrrolidine **12** can be prepared from (*R*)- or (*S*)-alanine in several steps²⁰, but a more convenient access²¹ to the (2*R*,5*R*)-enantiomer uses (2*S*,5*S*)-2,5-hexanediol as the starting material, which is readily available by baker's yeast reduction of 2,5-hexanedione²².



The interesting C_2 -symmetric tricyclic compound 1*H*-decahydrodicyclopenta[*b,d*]pyrrole (**13**) is prepared as a mixture of diastereomers from cyclopentanone in several steps, and separated as the racemate by selective hydrolysis of the intermediate formamide. The final resolution to obtain the enantiomers is achieved with mandelic acid²³.

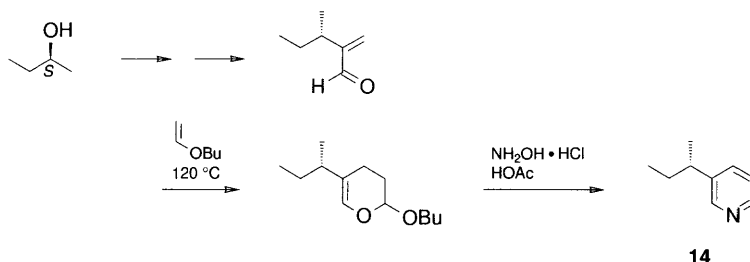


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Table 2. Survey of Monoamines

Compound	No.	Synonyms and Acronyms	Section	Ref	Commercial Sources
(<i>R</i>)-1-phenylethylamine	(<i>R</i>)-1	(<i>R</i>)- α -methylbenzenemethanamine, (+)-PEA	B.2.; D.1.4.4.; D.1.5.2.1.; D.6.	1–3	A, F, M, T, J
(<i>S</i>)-1-phenylethylamine	(<i>S</i>)-1	(<i>S</i>)- α -methylbenzenemethanamine, (–)-PEA	B.2.; C.; D.1.1.1.3.1.; D.1.1.1.4.; D.1.3.1.4.; D.1.4.4.; D.1.5.2.1.; D.1.6.1.2.1.; D.6.	1–3	A, F, M, T, J
(<i>S</i>)- <i>N</i> -(2-pyridinylmethylene)-1-phenylethylamine	(<i>S</i>)-2	(<i>S</i>)-PPEI	D.2.3.1.	4	–
(<i>S</i>)- <i>N</i> -(2-hydroxybenzylidene)-1-phenylethylamine	(<i>S</i>)-3	(<i>S</i>)- <i>N</i> - α -methylbenzylsalicylaldimine	D.1.5.8.	5	–
(<i>R</i>)- <i>N</i> -isopropyl-1-phenylethylamine	(<i>R</i>)-5	–	C.	4, 6	–
(+)-(<i>R,R</i>)-bis(1-phenylethyl)amine	(<i>R,R</i>)-7	–	C.; D.1.6.3.2.	7	–
(<i>R</i>)- <i>N</i> -phenyl-1-phenylethylamine	(<i>R</i>)-9	–	C.	9, 10	–
(<i>R</i>)- <i>N,N</i> -dimethyl-1-phenylethylamine		(<i>R</i>)- <i>N,N</i> , α -trimethylbenzenemethanamine	C.	12	A, F, J
(<i>S</i>)- <i>N,N</i> -dimethyl-1-phenylethylamine		(<i>S</i>)- <i>N,N</i> , α -trimethylbenzenemethanamine	C.; D.1.3.1.4.	13	A, F, J
(<i>S</i>)-1-phenylethylurea	10	–	D.6.	11	–
(<i>S</i>)- <i>N</i> -(1-phenylethyl)hydroxylamine	11	–	D.1.6.1.2.1.	15	–
(<i>S</i>)- <i>N</i> -1-naphthylethylamine		(<i>S</i>)- α -methyl-1-naphthalenemethanamine	D.1.1.1.4.; D.1.5.1.	17	J
(<i>S</i>)-2-butanamine		(<i>S</i>)- <i>sec</i> -butylamine	D.1.6.3.2.	18, 19	A, F
(2 <i>R</i> ,5 <i>R</i>)-2,5-dimethylpyrrolidine	(2 <i>R</i> ,5 <i>R</i>)-12	–	C.	20, 21	–
(2 <i>S</i> ,5 <i>S</i>)-2,5-dimethylpyrrolidine	(2 <i>S</i> ,5 <i>S</i>)-12	–	C.	20	–
3 <i>aS</i> -(3 <i>α</i> ,4 <i>αβ</i> ,7 <i>αβ</i> ,7 <i>βα</i>)-decahydro-1 <i>H</i> -dicyclopenta[<i>b,d</i>]pyrrole	13	–	C.	23	–
(<i>S</i>)-3-(1-methylpropyl)pyridine	14	(+)-3- <i>sec</i> -butylpyridine	D.1.5.8.	24, 25	–

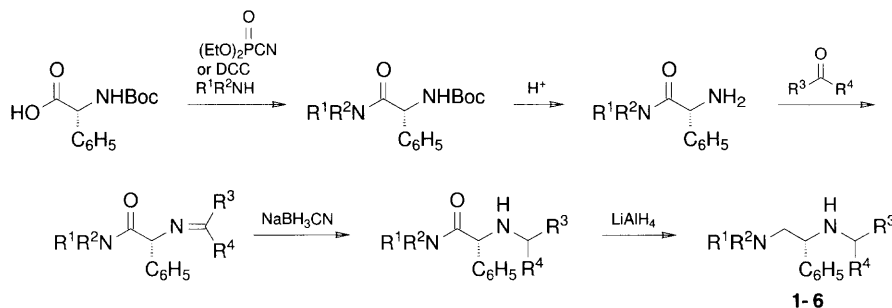
(+)-3-*sec*-Butylpyridine (**14**) has been used as a ligand for asymmetric hydroformylations (Section D.1.5.8.). Together with its 2- and 4-substituted isomers, the compound was prepared from commercial (+)-(*S*)-2-butanol in several steps^{24, 25}.



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1.2. Di- and Triamines

Amides of amino acids react with complex hydrides resulting in reduction of the carbonyl to a methylene group. Thus, it is possible to obtain a variety of diamines (not containing α -hydroxy groups) in an enantiomerically pure form. The amino acids generally employed are phenylglycine¹ and proline^{2,3}. The majority of amines discussed in this section were used as the lithium salt in enantioselective deprotonation and elimination (Section C.).



$R^1, R^2 = H, CH_3; CH_3, CH_3; -(CH_2)_4-; -(CH_2)_5-; -CH_2CH_2N(CH_3)CH_2CH_2-$
 $R^3, R^4 = H, H; CH_3, CH_3; H, t\text{-Bu}; H, C_6H_5; H, 1\text{-adamantyl}; -(CH_2)_5-$

Cpd	R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁴	Cpd	R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁴
1	CH ₃	CH ₃	CH ₃	CH ₃	4		-(CH ₂) ₅ -	H	<i>t</i> -Bu
2		-(CH ₂) ₅ -	CH ₃	CH ₃	5		-CH ₂ CH ₂ N(CH ₃)CH ₂ CH ₂ -	CH ₃	CH ₃
3		-(CH ₂) ₄ -	CH ₃	CH ₃	6		-(CH ₂) ₅ -	H	H

(*R*)-*N*-Isopropyl-*N*',*N*'-dimethyl-1-phenyl-1,2-ethanediamine; Typical Procedure¹:

(*R*)-2-(*tert*-Butoxycarbonylamino)-*N,N*-dimethyl-2-phenylethanamide:

To an ice-cold solution of 12.55 g (50 mmol) of (*R*)-*N*-*tert*-butoxycarbonyl- α -phenylglycine in 100 mL of DMF are added 4.90 g (60 mmol) of dimethylamine hydrochloride, 9.78 g (60 mmol) of diethyl phosphorocyanide in 25 mL of DMF and 12.23 g (120 mmol) of Et₃N in 25 mL of DMF. The mixture is stirred in an ice bath for 1 h and at r.t. overnight. After dilution with 1200 mL of EtOAc/benzene (2:1), the organic layer is successively washed with 10% aq citric acid, H₂O, sat. aq NaHCO₃, H₂O, and brine, and dried over Na₂SO₄. Removal of the solvent gives almost pure product which is used in the next step without further purification; yield: 88%; mp 109–110.5 °C (hexane); $[\alpha]_D^{27} -164.1$ ($c = 1, CH_3OH$).

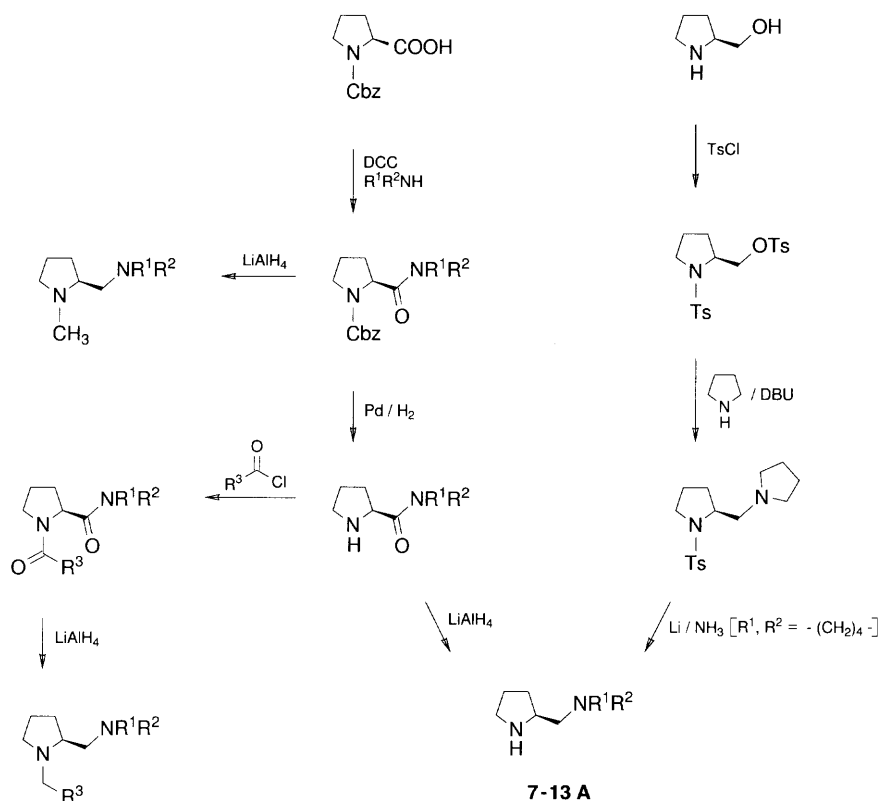
(*R*)-2-Isopropylamino-*N,N*-dimethyl-2-phenylethanamide:

13.90 g (50 mmol) of (*R*)-2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonylamino)-*N,N*-dimethyl-2-phenylethanamide are dissolved in 100 mL of trifluoroacetic acid in an ice bath, and the mixture is stirred for 30 min. After concentration in vacuo, benzene is added to the residue, and the solvent is evaporated in vacuo. This workup using benzene is repeated three times. 100 mL of H₂O are added to the residue, and the solution made basic with 10% aq NaOH. NaCl is added, the mixture is extracted with Et₂O, and the organic layer dried over Na₂SO₄. After removal of the solvent, the residue is dissolved in 100 mL of dry CH₃OH, and 3.14 g (50 mmol) of NaBH₃CN and 3.48 g (60 mmol) of acetone are added. The pH of the mixture is adjusted to ca. 6 by adding HOAc. The solution is stirred at r.t. for 3 h. If the reaction does not proceed completely, another 3.48 g (60 mmol) of acetone can be added, and the mixture is stirred overnight. The solution is cooled with ice/CH₃OH, and then 200 mL of 40% aq K₂CO₃ are added. After extraction with Et₂O, the organic layer is washed twice with brine and dried over Na₂SO₄. Concentration in vacuo gives the residue which is purified by recrystallization from hexane; yield: 98%; mp 102–103 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{27} -145.2$ ($c = 1, CH_3OH$).

(*R*)-*N*-Isopropyl-*N*',*N*'-dimethyl-1-phenyl-1,2-ethanediamine:

A solution of 3.30 g (15 mmol) of (*R*)-2-isopropylamino-*N,N*-dimethyl-2-phenylethanamide in 25 mL of THF is added dropwise to an ice-cold suspension of 1.14 g (30 mmol) of LiAlH₄ in 50 mL of THF, and the mixture is stirred at r.t. for 3–6 h. 6 mL of EtOAc, 6 mL of 10% aq NaOH, and 18 mL of H₂O are added successively dropwise to the mixture in an ice bath, and the mixture is stirred at r.t. for several hours. After filtration, the precipitate is washed with Et₂O. The organic layer is dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated in vacuo. The residue is purified by Kugelrohr distillation; yield: 70%; bp 92–93 °C/0.6 Torr; $[\alpha]_D^{26} -74.9$ ($c = 1, CH_3OH$).

In close analogy, many proline derived diamines were prepared by reduction of amides of proline^{2, 7, 13}.



$R^1, R^2 = H, \text{cyclohexyl}; H, (S)\text{-}1\text{-phenylethyl}; H, C_6H_5; H, 2,6\text{-(CH}_3)_2C_6H_3; H, 1\text{-naphthyl}; Et, Et; CH_3, C_6H_5; -(CH_2)_4-; -(CH_2)_5-; -CH_2CH_2OCH_2CH_2-; CH_2CH_2N(CH_3)CH_2CH_2-$
 $R^3 = H, CH_3, i\text{-Pr}, t\text{-Bu}$

Cpd	R^1	R^2	Cpd	R^1	R^2	R^3
7A	H	C_6H_5	14B	H	cyclohexyl	H
8A	H	$2,6\text{-(CH}_3)_2C_6H_3$	15B	H	cyclohexyl	<i>i</i> -Pr
9A	$-(CH_2)_4-$		16B	H	(<i>S</i>)-1-phenylethyl	H
10A	$-(CH_2)_5-$		17B	H	C_6H_5	H
11A	Et	Et	18B	$-(CH_2)_5-$		H
12A	$-CH_2CH_2OCH_2CH_2-$		19B	H	1-naphthyl	H
13A	H	cyclohexyl				

The products are versatile auxiliaries not only for enantioselective deprotonation and elimination (Section C.), but are also valuable chiral ligands for complex hydrides in the enantioselective reduction of ketones (Section D.1.4.5.). They are also applied in enolate reactions (Section D.1.5.2.1., D.1.5.2.4.), transition-metal-catalyzed Michael additions (Section D.1.5.8.), 1,3-dipolar cycloadditions (Section D.1.6.1.2.1.), and additions of Grignard reagents (Section D.1.3.1.4.2.5.). (*S*)-2-(Phenylaminomethyl)pyrrolidine has found most application and is also commercially available. Several methods exist for the preparation of such compounds. Two typical procedures for the synthesis of (*S*)-2-(1-pyrrolidinylmethyl)pyrrolidine are presented here. The methodology can be readily extended to other amides and alkylamino derivatives of proline.

(*S*)-2-(1-Pyrrolidinylmethyl)pyrrolidine; Typical Procedures:

1. From (*S*)-*N*-Benzyloxycarbonylproline:

(*S*)-1-Benzyloxycarbonyl-*N,N*-tetramethylene-2-pyrrolidinecarboxamide²:

To a solution of 24.9 g (0.10 mol) of (*S*)-*N*-benzyloxycarbonylproline in 30 mL of CH₂Cl₂ are added 20.6 g (0.10 mol) of DCC in 60 mL of CH₂Cl₂ at 0 °C under N₂. After stirring for 30 min, a solution of 7.1 g (0.1 mol) of pyrrolidine in 40 mL of CH₂Cl₂ is slowly added to the mixture at 0 °C and the mixture is slowly warmed to r.t. and further stirred overnight. After removal of the precipitate by filtration, the filtrate is washed successively with 2% aq HCl, 4% NaHCO₃, H₂O, and brine and dried with anhyd Na₂SO₄. The solvent is evaporated in vacuo, and the crude product is purified by recrystallization or column chromatography. The title compound is isolated as colorless crystals; yield: 63%; mp 130–132 °C (EtOAc), 130–133 °C (acetone); $[\alpha]_D^{29} - 13.0$ ($c = 1.67$, CH₃OH), $[\alpha]_D^{22} - 14.1$ ($c = 1.16$, CH₃OH).

(*S*)-2-(1-Pyrrolidinylmethyl)pyrrolidine²:

21.1 g (70 mmol) of (*S*)-1-benzyloxycarbonyl-*N,N*-tetramethylene-2-pyrrolidinecarboxamide and 1.3 g of 5% palladium on carbon are stirred vigorously in 100 mL of CH₃OH under a H₂ atmosphere overnight. The reaction mixture is then filtered through Celite and the filtrate is concentrated in vacuo to give the crude *N,N*-disubstituted (*S*)-prolinamide as a viscous oil. The crude material in 75 mL of THF is slowly added to a suspension of 9.1 g (0.24 mol) of LiAlH₄ in 75 mL of THF at 0 °C under N₂ and the mixture is refluxed for 20 h. Sat. aq Na₂SO₄ is then added to the mixture at 0 °C. After removal of the inorganic material by decantation and removal of the solvent in vacuo, fractional distillation of the residue under reduced pressure affords the title compound as a colorless oil; yield: 69%; bp 84 °C/5 Torr; $[\alpha]_D^{29} + 8.2$ ($c = 2.38$, EtOH).

2. From (*S*)-Prolinol:

(–)-(*S*)-1-(4-Methylphenylsulfonyl)-2-[(4-methylphenylsulfonyloxy)methyl]pyrrolidine¹³:

A solution of 10 g (0.10 mol) of (*S*)-prolinol, 21.4 mol (0.20 mol) of Et₃N and 46 g (0.20 mol) of 4-methylbenzenesulfonyl chloride in 200 mL of CH₂Cl₂ is refluxed for 24 h. After cooling, the mixture is washed twice with 25-mL portions of H₂O, and the organic layer is dried with MgSO₄ and evaporated. The crude material is recrystallized from EtOH to provide the title compound as white needles; yield: 26.4 g (65%); mp 92–94 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} - 123.2$ (CHCl₃).

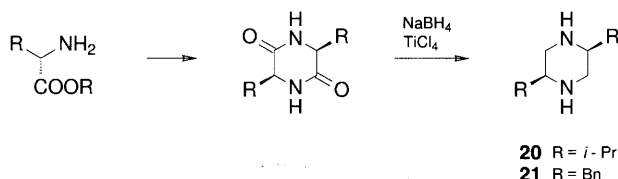
(*S*)-1-(4-Methylphenylsulfonyl)-2-(1-pyrrolidinylmethyl)pyrrolidine¹³:

A solution of 24.54 g (0.06 mol) of the above pyrrolidine, 17 g (0.24 mol) of pyrrolidine and 0.91 g (5.98 mmol) of DBU in 400 mL of toluene is heated at reflux for 24 h, or until no starting material remains, as indicated by TLC. The solvent is then removed on a rotary evaporator and the product is crystallized from EtOH/H₂O. If crystallization proves difficult, the material can be purified by flash chromatography. The title compound is isolated as pale yellow crystals; yield: 70%; mp 80–82 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} - 128.4$ (CHCl₃).

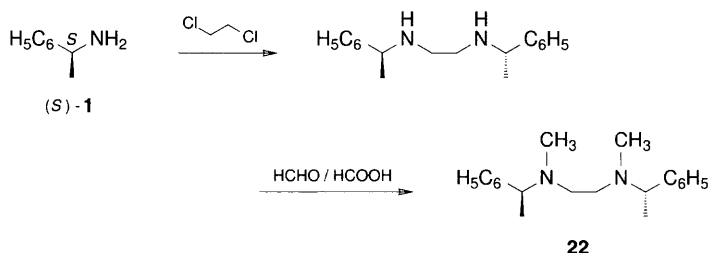
(*S*)-2-(1-Pyrrolidinylmethyl)pyrrolidine¹³:

To a solution of 12.40 g (0.04 mol) of the above pyrrolidine in a mixture of 200 mL of anhyd THF, 10 mL of anhyd EtOH and 200 mL of anhyd liquid ammonia, under N₂ at –78 °C, is added excess lithium and the mixture is then allowed to reflux for 15 min. The condenser is then removed and after the ammonia has evaporated, the mixture is diluted with 50 mL of H₂O and extracted twice with 200-mL portions of EtOAc. The combined organic layers are dried and concentrated, leaving a brown oil, which is purified by bulb-to-bulb distillation. The title compound is isolated as a colorless oil; yield: 68%; $[\alpha]_D^{25} + 8.3$ ($c = 2.4$, EtOH).

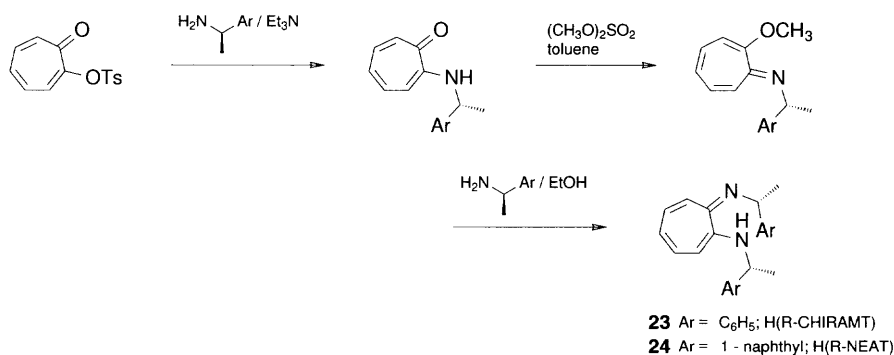
Amino acid esters can be dimerized to dioxopiperazines, which are conveniently reduced with sodium borohydride/titanium(IV) chloride to give the corresponding chiral piperazine derivatives. Thus, from valine and phenylalanine, useful auxiliaries **20** and **21** were obtained⁹, and used for the alkylation of carbanions (Section D.1.1.3.1.) and as catalysts for the addition of zinc alkyls to aldehydes (Section D.1.3.1.4.), as well as for enantioselective deprotonation and elimination (Section C.).



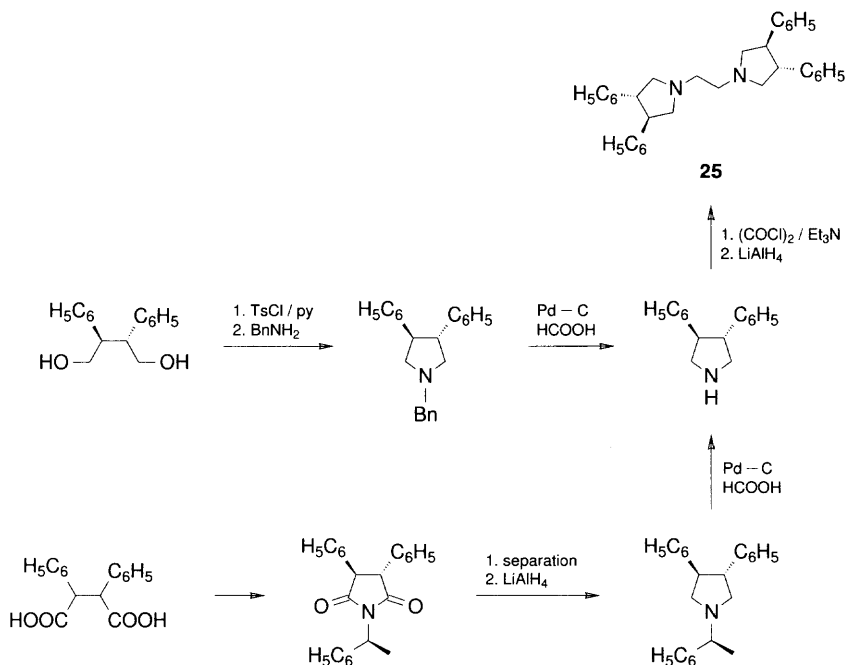
(*S,S*)-*N,N'*-Dimethyl-*N,N'*-bis(1-phenylethyl)-1,2-ethanediamine was prepared from (*S*)-phenylethylamine by reaction with 1,2-dichloroethane, followed by the introduction of the *N*-methyl group with formaldehyde/formic acid¹⁰ and used as a chiral additive in transition-metal-catalyzed Michael additions to enones (Section D.1.5.2.1.).



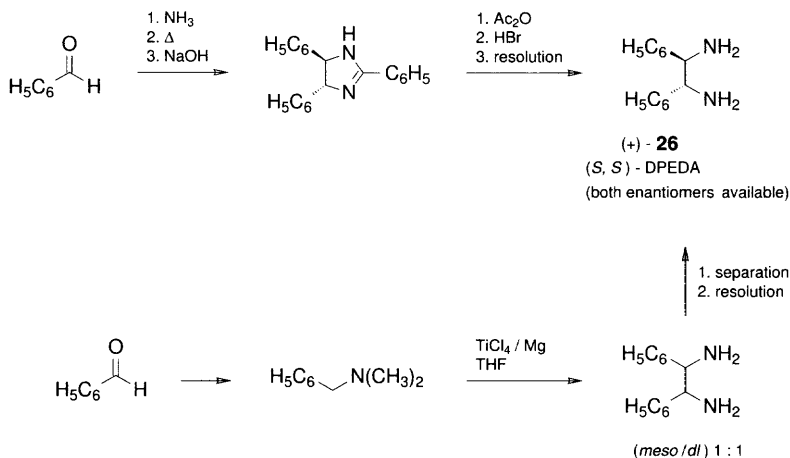
(*R*)-1-Phenylethylamine is the chiral starting material for the preparation of the CHIRAMT ligands¹¹ which were similarly used (Sections D.1.5.2.1. and D.1.5.8.). Analogously, H R-NEAT was prepared from (*R*)-1-(1-naphthyl)ethylamine¹².



1,2-Bis[(*R,R*)-3,4-diphenyl-1-pyrrolidiny]ethane (**25**) was developed as a chiral additive for dihydroxylation reactions catalyzed by osmium tetroxide (Section D.4.4.). The key intermediate in the synthesis is (*R,R*)-3,4-diphenylpyrrolidine; reaction with oxalyl chloride, followed by lithium aluminum hydride reduction, leads directly to the compound¹⁴. The intermediate is accessible from (*R,R*)-2,3-diphenyl-1,4-butanediol¹⁵ or the corresponding (*R,R*)-2,3-diphenylbutanedioic acid, which is obtained by resolution of the racemic acid with 1-phenylethylamine.

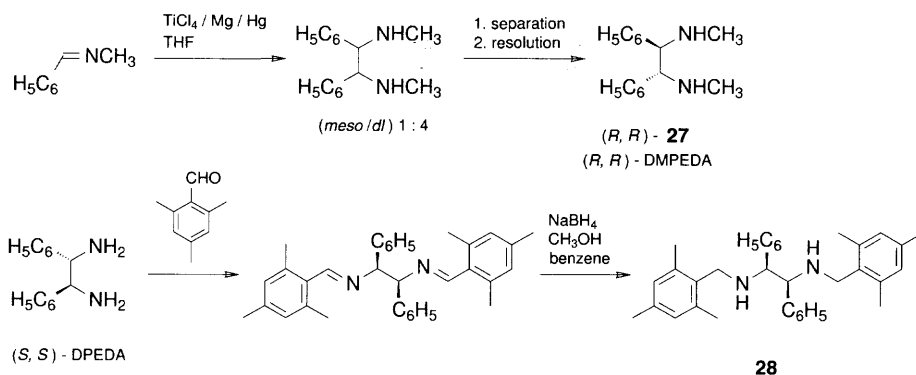


(*S,S*)-1,2-Diphenyl-1,2-ethanediamine [(*S,S*)-DPEDA, (+)-**26**] is a useful auxiliary in the Michael addition (Section D.1.5.8.) and in enantioselective deprotonation and elimination reactions (Section C.). The imine with 4,6-di-*tert*-butylsalicylaldehyde forms a manganese complex which catalyzes enantioselective epoxidations by sodium hypochlorite (Section D.4.5.2.3.). In addition, the sulfonamides with aromatic sulfonic acids²⁰ are used as ligands for chiral Lewis acids in enantioselective Diels–Alder reactions (Section D.1.6.1.1.). Although commercially available, the diamine is readily prepared by resolution of the racemate with mandelic acid, following an improved procedure¹⁶. More difficult, but less expensive, is the use of tartaric acid¹⁷. The racemate is obtained either via an imidazolidine^{17, 18}, or by reductive coupling of benzaldehyde imine with low valent titanium¹⁹.

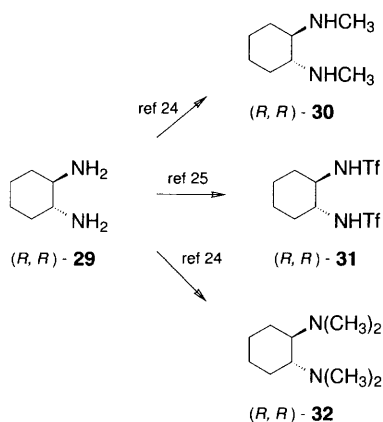


The corresponding *N,N'*-dimethyl compound [DMPEDA, (*R,R*)-**27**] was similarly obtained by reductive coupling, together with the *meso*-compound^{21, 22}, purified by flash chromatography, and resolved with tartaric acid²². It has been used for the formation of chiral enamines with aldehydes (Section D.1.5.2.1.) or dicarbonyl compounds and for enantioselective Grignard addition (Section D.1.3.1.4.).

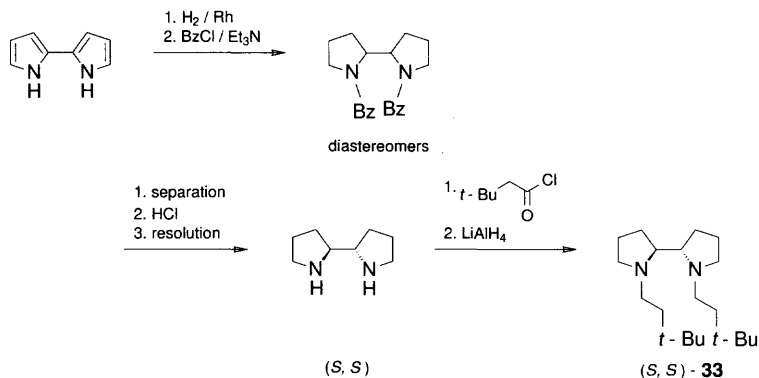
In addition, a more sterically hindered derivative of DPEDA, the 2,4,6-trimethylphenyl-substituted derivative **28**, was obtained by reduction of the diimine from 2,4,6-trimethylbenzaldehyde with sodium borohydride²³ and used as an additive in osmium tetroxide catalyzed dihydroxylations (Section D.4.4.).



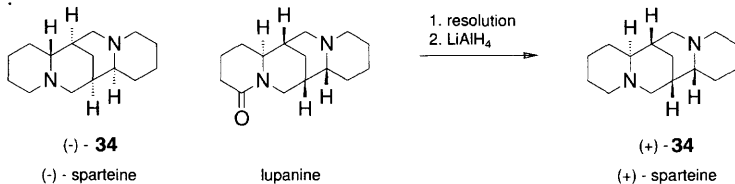
(*R,R*)-1,2-Diaminocyclohexane [(*R,R*)-DACH, (*R,R*)-**29**] is commercially available, but expensive. The racemate is a byproduct of the technical synthesis of Nylon 60 and may be resolved with tartaric acid²⁴. The imine with 4,6-di-*tert*-butylsalicylaldehyde forms a manganese complex which catalyzes epoxidations with sodium hypochlorite (see Section D.4.5.2.3.). From (*R,R*)-DACH, (*R,R*)-1,2-bis(methylamino)cyclohexane [(*R,R*)-**30**] and (*R,R*)-1,2-bis(dimethylamino)cyclohexane [(*R,R*)-**32**] are obtained²⁴. The former has been used in the formation of chiral enamines with aldehydes (Section D.1.5.2.1.), and the latter as a chiral ligand for osmium tetroxide catalyzed dihydroxylations of alkenes (Section D.4.4.). Finally, the amino groups may be converted to sulfonamides^{20, 25}. (*R,R*)-1,2-Bis(trifluoromethylsulfonamido)cyclohexane [(*R,R*)-**31**] is an efficient ligand for titanium-catalyzed additions of dialkylzinc to aldehydes (Section D.1.3.1.4.1.5.) and is used as a chiral acid for enantioselective protonation of lactam enolates (Section D.2.1.).



A diamine containing two directly connected pyrrolidine rings has been used as an additive in osmium tetroxide catalyzed dihydroxylations (Section D.4.4.). The synthesis from 2,2'-bipyrrole involves catalytic reduction, benzoylation, separation of the *meso* and *dl* forms by chromatography, amide hydrolysis, and resolution with tartaric acid²⁶. The (*S,S*)-2,2'-bipyrrolidine thus obtained is then converted to the sterically hindered (*S,S*)-*N,N'*-bis(3,3-dimethylbutyl)-2,2'-bipyrrolidine [(*S,S*)-**33**] by acylation and reduction with lithium aluminum hydride²⁷.



(-)-Sparteine [(*-*)-**34**] is an alkaloid frequently occurring in *Fabiaceae*. It is commercially available, mostly as the sulfate, and comparatively inexpensive, so there is no need for synthesis. The other enantiomer, named (+)-pachycarpine [(*+*)-**34**], can be obtained by partial synthesis from racemic lupanine, involving resolution with camphorsulfonic acid and lithium aluminum hydride reduction²⁸.



The numerous applications of (-)-sparteine include the synthesis of allenes (Section B.1., both enantiomers), enantioselective Michael additions (Section D.1.5.2.1.), asymmetric acylations of allyl anions (Section D.1.3.3.3.), and the enantioselective introduction of electrophilic groups at α -carbons in primary alcohols via carbamates (Section D.9.).

Finally, a chiral triamine **35**, derived from (-)-proline, has been used as the lithium salt for the deprotonation of amines (Section D.2.1.). It is obtained from *N*-benzyloxycarbonylproline by forming the amide with *N,N,N'*-trimethyl-1,2-ethanediamine, cleavage of the protecting group, and lithium aluminum hydride reduction²⁹.

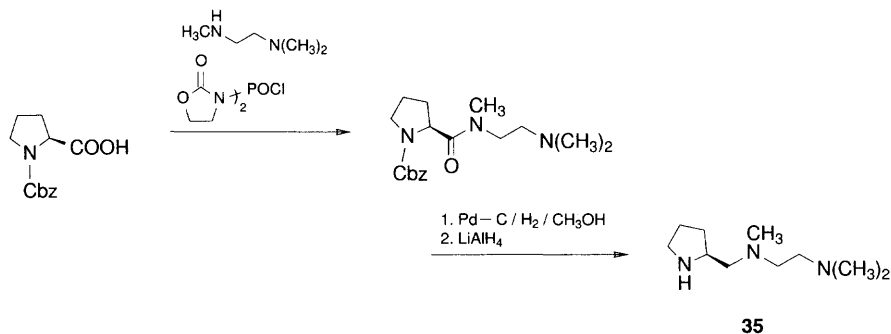


Table 3. Survey of Di- and Triamines

Compound	No.	Synonyms and Acronyms	Section	Ref	Commercial Sources
(<i>R</i>)- <i>N</i> -isopropyl- <i>N</i> ', <i>N</i> '-dimethyl-1-phenyl-1,2-ethanediamine	1	–	C.	1	–
1-(<i>R</i>)-2-isopropylamino-2-phenylethylpiperidine	2	–	C.	1	–
1-(<i>R</i>)-2-isopropylamino-2-phenylethylpyrrolidine	3	–	C.	4	–
1-(<i>R</i>)-2-(2,2-dimethylpropyl)amino-2-phenylethylpiperidine	4	–	C.	5	–
1-[(<i>R</i>)-2-isopropylamino-2-phenylethyl]-4-methylpiperazine	5	–	C.	4	–
1-(<i>R</i>)-2-methylamino-2-phenylethylpiperidine	6	MAPP	D.1.5.2.1.6	6	–
(<i>S</i>)-2-(phenylaminomethyl)pyrrolidine	7 A	(<i>S</i>)-2-anilinomethylpyrrolidine	D.1.3.1.4.; D.1.5.2.1.; D.1.5.8.; D.1.6.1.2.1.	3	A, F, M, T
(<i>S</i>)-2-(2,6-dimethylphenylaminomethyl)pyrrolidine	8 A	(<i>S</i>)-2-xyridinomethylpyrrolidine	D.1.4.5.	3	T
(<i>S</i>)-2-(1-pyrrolidinylmethyl)pyrrolidine	9 A	–	C.	2, 13	A
(<i>S</i>)-2-(1-piperidinylmethyl)pyrrolidine	10 A	–	C.	2	–
(<i>S</i>)-2-(diethylaminomethyl)pyrrolidine	11 A	–	C.	2	–
(<i>S</i>)-2-(4-morpholinylmethyl)pyrrolidine	12 A	–	C.	2	–
(<i>S</i>)-2-(cyclohexylaminomethyl)pyrrolidine	13 A	–	C.	7	–
(<i>S</i>)-2-(cyclohexylaminomethyl)-1-methylpyrrolidine	14 B	–	C.	7	–
(<i>S</i>)-2-(cyclohexylaminomethyl)-1-isopropylpyrrolidine	15 B	–	C.	7	–
(<i>S</i>)-2-[(<i>S</i>)-1-phenylethylaminomethyl]-1-methylpyrrolidine	16 B	–	C.	7	–
(<i>S</i>)-1-methyl-2-phenylaminopyrrolidine	17 B	(<i>S</i>)-1-methyl-2-(anilinomethyl)pyrrolidine	C.	7	–
(<i>S</i>)-1-methyl-2-(1-piperidinylmethyl)pyrrolidine	18 B	–	D.1.5.2.4.	7	F
(<i>S</i>)-1-methyl-2-(1-naphthylaminomethyl)pyrrolidine	19 B	–	D.1.5.2.4.	8	T
(<i>S,S</i>)-2,5-diisopropylpiperazine	20	–	D.1.1.1.3.1.; D.1.3.1.4.; C.	9	–
(<i>S,S</i>)-2,5-dibenzylpiperazine	21	–	D.1.1.1.3.1.	9	–
(<i>S,S</i>)- <i>N,N'</i> -dimethyl- <i>N,N'</i> -bis(1-phenylethyl)-1,2-ethanediamine	22	–	D.1.5.2.1.	10	–
1-[(<i>R</i>)- α -methylbenzylamino]-7-[(<i>R</i>)- α -methylbenzylimino]-1,3,5-cycloheptatriene	23	H (R-CHIRAMT)	D.1.5.2.1.; D.1.5.8.	11	–
1-[(<i>R</i>)-1'-(1''-naphthyl)ethylamino]-7-[(<i>R</i>)-1'-(1''-naphthyl)ethylimino]-1,3,5-cycloheptatriene	24	H (R-NEAT)	D.1.5.8.	12	–
1,2-bis[(<i>R,R</i>)-3,4-diphenyl-1-pyrrolidinyl]ethane	25	–	D.4.4.	14	–
(<i>S,S</i>)-1,2-diphenyl-1,2-ethanediamine	(+)-26	(+)-1,2-diphenylethylenediamine; (<i>S,S</i>)-DPEDA	D.1.5.8.; D.4.5.2.; C.	16, 17	A, F

Table 3 (cont.)

Compound	No.	Synonyms and Acronyms	Section	Ref	Commercial Sources
(<i>S,S</i>)- <i>N,N'</i> -dimethyl-1,2-diphenyl-1,2-ethanediamine	(<i>S,S</i>)- 27	(<i>S,S</i>)-DMPEDA	D.1.3.1.4.; D.1.5.2.1.	21, 22	—
(<i>S,S</i>)- <i>N,N'</i> -bis(2,4,6-trimethylbenzyl)-1,2-diphenyl-1,2-ethanediamine	28	—	D.4.4.	23	—
(<i>R,R</i>)-1,2-diaminocyclohexane	(<i>R,R</i>)- 29	(<i>R,R</i>)-DACH, (<i>R,R</i>)-1,2-cyclohexanediamine	D.4.5.2.3.	24	A, F
(<i>R,R</i>)-1,2-bis(methylamino)cyclohexane	(<i>R,R</i>)- 30	(<i>R,R</i>)- <i>N,N'</i> -dimethyl-1,2-cyclohexanediamine	D.1.5.2.1.	24	—
(<i>R,R</i>)-1,2-bis(trifluoromethylsulfonylamino)cyclohexane	(<i>R,R</i>)- 31	(<i>R,R</i>)- <i>N,N'</i> -bis(trifluoromethylsulfonyl)-1,2-cyclohexanediamine	D.1.3.1.4.; D.2.1.	20, 25	—
(<i>R,R</i>)-1,2-bis(dimethylamino)cyclohexane	(<i>R,R</i>)- 32	(<i>R,R</i>)- <i>N,N,N',N'</i> -tetramethyl-1,2-cyclohexanediamine	D.4.4.	24	—
(<i>S,S</i>)- <i>N,N'</i> -bis(3,3-dimethylbutyl)-2,2'-bipyrrolidine	(<i>S,S</i>)- 33	—	D.4.4.	26, 27	—
(–)-sparteine	(–)- 34	lupinidine, [(7 <i>S</i>)-(7 α ,7 $\alpha\alpha$,14 α ,14 $\alpha\beta$)]-dodecahydro-7,14-methano-2 <i>H</i> ,6 <i>H</i> -dipyrido[1,2- <i>a</i> :1',2'- <i>e</i>][1,5]diazocine	B.1.; D.1.3.3.3.; D.1.5.2.; D.9.	—	A, F, J
(+)-sparteine	(+)- 34	(+)-pachycarpine, [(7 <i>R</i>)-(7 α ,7 $\alpha\alpha$,14 α ,14 $\alpha\beta$)]-dodecahydro-8,14-methano-2 <i>H</i> ,6 <i>H</i> -dipyrido[1,2- <i>a</i> :1',2'- <i>e</i>][1,5]diazocine	B.1.	28	—
(<i>S</i>)-2-[(2-dimethylaminoethyl)methylaminomethyl]pyrrolidine	35	—	D.2.1.	29	—