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# Stereoselective Pd-Catalyzed Etherification and Asymmetric Synthesis of Furanomycin and Its Analogues from Chiral Aziridine

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Chiral aziridine was utilized for the synthesis of anti-bacterial natural amino acid L-(+)-furanomycin, and its analogues including 5'-*epi*-furanomycin and norfuranomycin. Key steps of this synthesis are the stereoselective Pd-catalyzed etherification for diallyl ether and ring closing metathesis.

## Introduction

The L-(+)-furanomycin as a naturally occurring amino acid bearing 3,4-dihydrofuran was isolated from *Streptomyces threomyceticus* in 1967 by Katagiri et al. with antibacterial activity against microorganisms such as *E. coli*, *Bacillus subtilis* and several *Salmonella*- and *Shigella* strains (MIC 1 – 5 µg/mL).<sup>1</sup> Furanomycin features a unique structure with the 5-methyl-3,4-dihydrofuran ring whose absolute configuration was fully characterized by X-ray analysis of the *N*-acetyl derivatives (Figure 1).<sup>2</sup> This unusual amino acid as an antagonist of isoleucine is incorporated into the bacterial protein biosynthesis machinery at the site for the isoleucine possibly due to the similarity of their conformations deduced from NMR studies.<sup>3</sup> This type of translatable amino acid possibly yields peptides and proteins containing nonproteogenic amino acid and this is one of the hottest research areas nowadays.<sup>4,5</sup>



**1a** furanomycin (R<sup>1</sup> = Me, R<sup>2</sup> = H)  
**1b** 5'-*epi*-furanomycin (R<sup>1</sup> = H, R<sup>2</sup> = Me)  
**1c** norfuranomycin (R<sup>1</sup> = R<sup>2</sup> = H)

Isoleucine

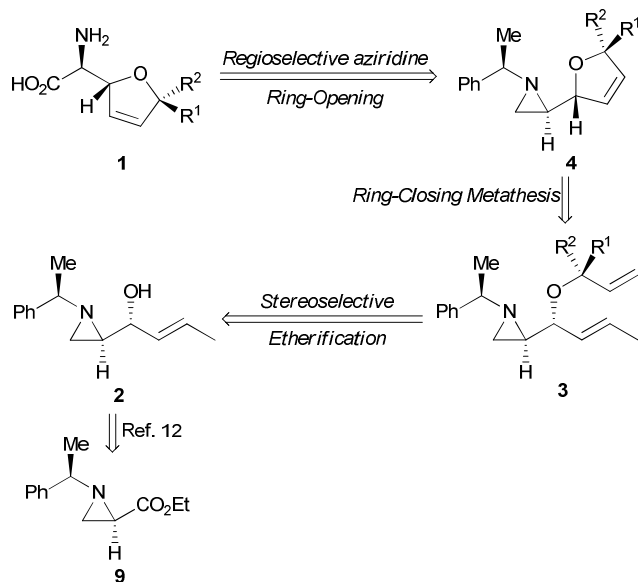
**Fig 1** Structure of furanomycin (**1a**) and its analogues (**1b**, **1c**).

There is a lot of literature detailing the synthesis of furanomycin<sup>1,6</sup> and its analogues<sup>7</sup>, the mechanism of action relating to protein biosynthesis and structure-activity relationships aimed at possible improvements of its antibacterial activity.<sup>8</sup> Many synthetic approaches started from the chiral pool including xylose, dimethyl tartrate, furanose, mannitol and Garner aldehyde with various reactions in attempts to make the 3,4-dihydrofuran ring.<sup>6,7</sup> Most of the 3,4-

dihydrofuran ring next to amino acid were elaborated by introducing electron-rich furan analogues into the electrophilic carbon or by cyclization of allenic or allylic alcohols.<sup>1a,6,7</sup> Ring-closing metathesis (RCM) of allyl ether has also been reported for making the 3,4-dihydrofuran ring in high yield using either Grubbs' first or second generation catalyst.<sup>1b,6a,6b</sup> To apply this synthetic strategy in building the 3,4-dihydrofuran ring by RCM, one problem still remain to be solved for the generation of allyl ether as the synthetic precursor in a highly stereoselective manner. As an example, direct etherification of allyl alcohol bearing Garner aldehyde as the amino acid part with 3-chloro-1-butene yielded almost a 1:1 mixture of diastereomers.<sup>7f</sup> A similar ether was also derived in low yield from Ireland-Claisen [3,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement of an allylglycinate as a diastereomeric mixture in a 72:28 ratio.<sup>6a</sup> In this report we describe the synthesis of L-(+)-furanomycin and its analogues such as 5'-*epi*-furanomycin and norfuranomycin on the basis of RCM of the diallyl ethers which were generated from stereoselective Pd-catalyzed etherification of the branched alkyl part of the requisite ether starting from chiral aziridine-2-carboxylate.

For the last several years we have shown that the enantiopure aziridine-2-carboxylates are good starting substrates for the asymmetric synthesis of various amino acids.<sup>9</sup> All of these syntheses are based on the functional group transformation of the carboxylate into properly functionalized alkyl or aryl groups. And the aziridine ring opening by oxygen nucleophile in a regio- and stereoselective manner affords an amino alcohol which can be oxidized to an amino acid, if necessary.<sup>9,10</sup> Thus the aziridine ring part serves as a synthetic precursor of the corresponding amino alcohol or amino acid which is similar to what the ring part of Garner aldehyde does.<sup>11</sup> However, aziridine-2-carboxylate is preferred to Garner aldehyde because the chiral centre of the alcohol next to

aziridine is generated easily either in a *threo* or *erythro* fashion from the selective reduction of 2-acylaziridine derived from aziridine-2-carboxylate with much better stereoselectivity compared to the compounds from the Garner aldehyde.<sup>12</sup>



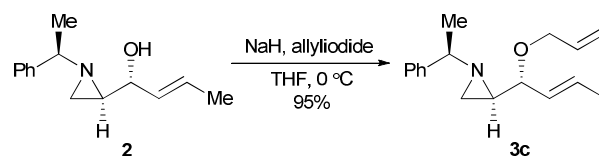
**Scheme 1** Retrosynthetic analysis for the synthesis of furanomycin (**1a**, R<sup>1</sup> = Me, R<sup>2</sup> = H), 5'-*epi*-furanomycin (**1b**, R<sup>1</sup> = H, R<sup>2</sup> = Me), norfuranomycin (**1c**, R<sup>1</sup> = H, R<sup>2</sup> = H).

Taking advantage of the aforementioned aziridine chemistry we envisioned the synthesis of furanomycin (**1a**), 5'-*epi*-furanomycin (**1b**) and norfuranomycin (**1c**) with the retrosynthetic analysis as shown in scheme 1. Aziridine-2-yl-3',4'-dihydrofuran ring **4** is quite feasible as a synthetic precursor of the furanomycin and its analogues. The aziridine ring may serve as a synthetic precursor of an amino acid by ring opening with a hydroxyl nucleophile to yield the amino alcohol. The amino alcohol can be easily oxidized to yield the carboxylate group for conversion into  $\alpha$ -amino acids. The requisite 3',4'-dihydrofuran ring can be derived from the diallyl ether **3** via ring-closing metathesis. The key synthetic

intermediate **3** should be generated by stereoselective etherification of compound **2**. The compound **2** is easily prepared from the stereoselective reduction of 2-acylaziridine originated from (2*S*)-aziridine-2-carboxylate (**9**) with the same configuration as L-amino acid following our early report.<sup>12</sup>

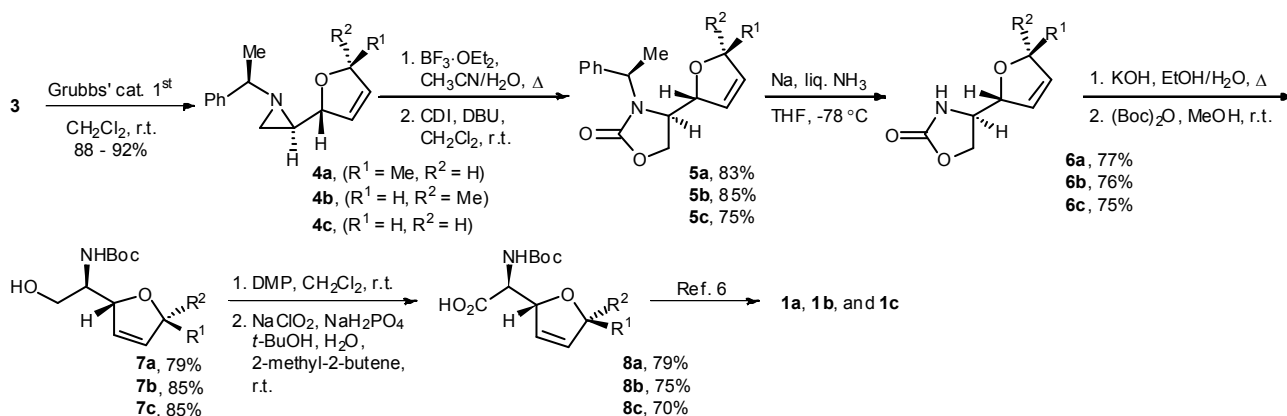
## Results and Discussion

We started out with the synthesis of norfuranomycin (**1c**) which has a simple 3',4'-dihydrofuran ring compared to the furanomycin (**1a**) and 5'-*epi*-furanomycin (**1b**) with 5'-methyl-3',4'-dihydrofuran ring. The (2*R*)-aziridine-2-carboxylate as a starting substrate afforded the requisite *threo*-hydroxyalkylaziridine **2** that bears two important stereocenters in the  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -positions of the amino acid in furanomycin and its analogues following our earlier reported method.<sup>12</sup> For preparation of 3',4'-dihydrofuran ring, allylic etherification of *threo*-hydroxyalkylaziridine **2** with allyliodide and NaH yielded the diallyl ether **3c** in 95% yield (Scheme 2).



**Scheme 2** Allylic etherification of *threo*-hydroxyalkylaziridine **2**.

The ring-closing metathesis<sup>13</sup> of the diallyl ether **3c** was performed with Grubbs' 1<sup>st</sup> generation catalyst to give the bicyclic compound **4c** consisted of the 3',4'-dihydrofuran ring and aziridine ring as the amino acid synthetic precursor (Scheme 3). To prepare the amino acid moiety of the norfuranomycin (**1c**), we first carried out the aziridine ring opening reaction with H<sub>2</sub>O in the presence of BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> as a Lewis acid followed by cyclization to oxazolidine-2-one **5c** with 1,1'-carbonyldiimidazole (CDI) in the presence of 1,8-diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene (DBU) in 75% yield in two steps.



**Scheme 3** Preparation of furanomycin (**1a**), 5'-*epi*-furanomycin (**1b**) and norfuranomycin (**1c**) from diallyl ether **3**.

The  $\alpha$ -methylbenzyl group of the oxazolidin-2-one **5c** was removed to give **6c** by treatment with Na and liq.  $\text{NH}_3$  followed by sequential reactions including hydrolysis of the oxazolidin-2-one and Boc-protection to give *N*-Boc-amino alcohol **7c** in 64% yield in two steps. The next and the final step was the oxidation of alcohol **7c** with Dess-Martin periodinane (DMP)<sup>14</sup> followed by  $\text{NaClO}_2$  to give *N*-Boc-norfuranomycin (**8c**) in high yield. The norfuranomycin (**1c**) could be prepared by *N*-Boc deprotection with trifluoroacetic acid (TFA).<sup>6</sup>

Once we succeeded in synthesizing *N*-Boc norfuranomycin (**8c**) through the formation of 3',4'-dihydrofuran ring via RCM of diallyl ether and the generation of amino acid from aziridine ring, we decided to apply this synthetic strategy to the syntheses of *N*-Boc protected furanomycin (**8a**) and 5'-*epi*-furanomycin (**8b**). The only difference between these compounds and norfuranomycin is the presence of a methyl group in the 5'-position of the dihydrofuran ring. The configuration of 5'-carbon is "S" for furanomycin and "R" for 5'-*epi*-furanomycin. To apply the same synthetic strategy used for the synthesis of norfuranomycin (**1c**), stereoselective etherification of *threo*-hydroxyalkylaziridine **2** with 3-buten-2-yl halide instead of allyl iodide is essential to prepare the prerequisite diallyl compounds. Attempts to etherify the aziridiny alcohol of **2** with 2-halo- or 2-toluenesulfonyloxy-3-butene were in vain and did not yield any decent amount of the expected branched diallyl ether. We then applied Lee's method the well-known Pd-catalyzed allylic etherification using Zn-alkoxide.<sup>15</sup> This protocol stems from a "softening" of the alkoxide anion by  $\text{Et}_2\text{Zn}$  which is still nucleophilic enough to make a bond to a Pd-bound allylic cation from 3-buten-2-yl acetate in the presence of the proper phosphorus ligand.<sup>16</sup> Application of this method in the presence of a phosphorus ligand yielded the expected product **3** as a diastereomeric mixture in a moderate yield (Table 1). In most ligands such as  $\text{PPh}_3$ , DPPB and Johnphos, the diastereomeric ratio was about 6:4. However, the simple phosphorus ligand  $\text{P}(\text{OMe})_3$  did not yield any product (Table 1, entry 4). The two diastereomers couldn't be separated and the configuration of the newly formed carbon-oxygen could not be identified.

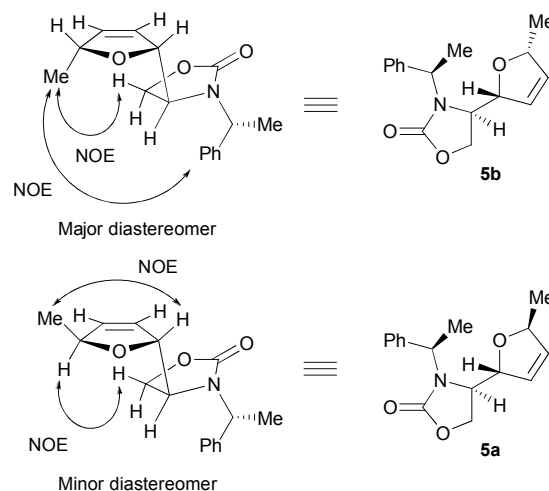
**Table 1** The Pd-catalyzed allylic etherification from **2** by using  $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$  and several phosphorus ligands in the presence of  $\text{Et}_2\text{Zn}$ .<sup>a</sup>

Entry	Ligand	Yield	Diastereomeric ratio ( <b>3a</b> : <b>3b</b> ) <sup>b</sup>
1	$\text{PPh}_3$	66%	38:62
2	DPPB	65%	39:61
3	Johnphos	82%	39:61
4	$\text{P}(\text{OMe})_3$	No reaction	-

<sup>a</sup> Reaction condition: 3-Buten-2-yl acetate (2.0 equiv.),  $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$  (10 mol%),  $\text{Et}_2\text{Zn}$  (0.5 equiv.), Ligand (20 mol%),  $\text{NH}_4\text{OAc}$  (1 mol%). <sup>b</sup> Diastereomeric ratio was determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz). DPPB = 1,4-Bis(diphenylphosphino)butane, JohnPhos = 2-(di-tert-butylphosphino)biphenyl

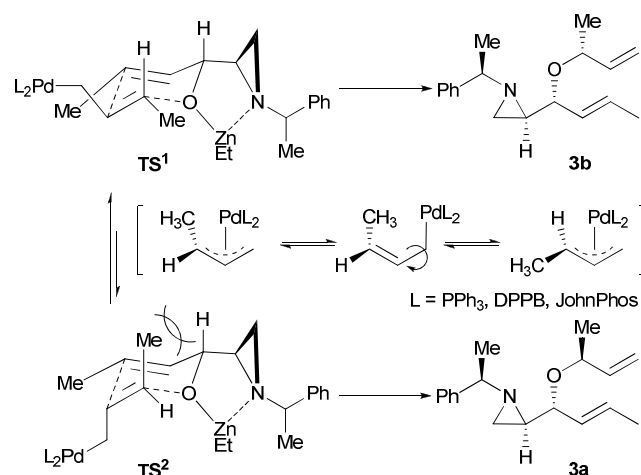
The same major product was always obtained, even though the ratio was a bit different by phosphorus ligands used in each reaction.

The diastereomeric mixture of **3a** and **3b** could be separated after RCM. To identify the configuration of the major and minor products obtained from Pd-catalyzed allylic etherification, conformationally rigid 5'-methylidihydrofuran fused oxazolidin-2-one (**5a** and **5b**) obtained through aziridine ring-opening and oxazolidin-2-one formation were subjected to NOE experiments. As shown in figure 2, the methyl proton of the dihydrofuran has correlations with C5 proton of oxazolidin-2-one for the major diastereomer and with the 2'-proton of dihydrofuran for minor one. Furthermore, the methyl proton of the dihydrofuran in the major product has a correlation with the phenyl group of the oxazolidin-2-one ring while the minor isomer has correlations between two protons at C5' of dihydrofuran ring and C5 of oxazolidin-2-one. Therefore, we found that the major diastereomer has (*R*)-configuration at the 5'-carbon position which is opposite to the configuration found in the natural isomer of L-(+)-furanomycin.



**Fig 2** Identification of configuration of two diastereomers by NOE experiments.

The proposed reaction mechanism is shown in scheme 4. First,  $\eta^3$ -allylpalladium intermediates as soft electrophiles are generated from the racemic allyl acetate and Pd(II). To explain the difference in stereoselectivity between the major and minor products,  $\eta^3$ -allylpalladium intermediates must be switchable through fast racemization of  $(\pi\text{-allyl})\text{metal}$  by  $\eta^3\text{-}\eta^1\text{-}\eta^3$  step.<sup>17</sup> The next step to discriminate between the two possible diastereomers is how  $\eta^3$ -allylpalladium intermediate is reacted with allylic Zn-alkoxide. Zn(II) is bound not only at the oxygen of allylic alcohol for "softening" of the alkoxide anion but also at the aziridinyamine.<sup>18</sup> When  $\eta^3$ -allylpalladium intermediates approach zinc alkoxide, two transition states,  $\text{TS}^1$  and  $\text{TS}^2$ , are possible. As shown in  $\text{TS}^1$  for the major **3b**,  $\eta^3$ -allylpalladium intermediate approaches Zn-alkoxide without significant steric strain, while in  $\text{TS}^2$ , the approach to Zn-alkoxide has a 1,3-diaxial interaction energy to give a minor **3a**.



**Scheme 4** The reaction mechanism of the allylic etherification between allylpalladium complex and Zn-alkoxide.

For a possible enhancement of the stereoselectivity and a switch of the stereochemical outcome to get **3a** as the major isomer, we tried Pd-catalyzed etherification with a chiral ligand in the presence of Zn-alkoxide. When we used (*S*)-BINAP, the reaction yielded the two expected diastereomers **3a** and **3b** in 44% yield and a ratio of 10:90. In addition, **3d** originated from the bond formation of the 1° carbon of the isomeric allylpalladium complex with aziridinyl alcohol was obtained in 7% yield (Table 2, entry 1). After observing the better diastereomeric ratio as 10:90 compared to the ratios in table 1, we decided to switch the chirality of the ligand from (*S*)-BINAP to (*R*)-BINAP (entry 2). (*R*)-BINAP showed the better

diastereomeric ratio for the expected isomer as 43:57 in 23% yield with similar amount of **3d**, which showed that the successful switch of the stereochemical pathway was directed by the chirality of the ligand. To improve the reaction yield and the diastereomeric ratio for the natural isomer, the reaction was carried out with a higher amount of Et<sub>2</sub>Zn (2.2 equivalents) resulting in a slightly improved ratio of 56:44, with **3a** as the major product, in 28% yield (entry 3). Though we were able to get the **3a** isomer as the major product, problems still remained including lower yields of **3a** and **3b** and the formation of significant amounts of **3d**. Therefore, we tried to perform the Pd-catalyzed etherification with Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> as a base in the absence of Et<sub>2</sub>Zn.<sup>19</sup> The reactions with Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> in THF and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> did not yield any detectable amount of product (entries 4-6). However, in CH<sub>3</sub>CN the reaction yielded the expected products in 58% yield with the diastereomeric ratio of **3a**:**3b** being 67:33 and while **3d** was also obtained in 21% yield (entry 7). These results proved that the product **3a** as a major originated from the change of the stereochemical pathway through the different transition state from those in scheme 4 without “Zn” bound coordination. To improve the reaction yield, an excess amount of the starting allyl acetate (5.0 equiv.) was used to preform allylpalladium complex more. This resulted in 83% total yield with a slightly improved diastereomeric ratio of 71:29 (entry 8). However, the reaction was not sensitive to the amount of the starting acetate. A similar 81% reaction yield was obtained with a 1.1 equivalent of 3-buten-2-yl acetate (entry 9). Changing the base from Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> to K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> decreased the reaction yield dramatically (entry 10).

**Table 2** Optimization of Pd-catalyzed etherification with chiral ligands.<sup>a</sup>

Entry	Ligand	Additive	Solvent	Temp.	Yield	Diastereomeric ratio <b>3a</b> : <b>3b</b> (isolated yield)	Yield ( <b>3d</b> )
1 <sup>b</sup>	( <i>S</i> )-BINAP	Et <sub>2</sub> Zn	THF	r.t.	51%	10:90 (44%)	7%
2 <sup>b</sup>	( <i>R</i> )-BINAP	Et <sub>2</sub> Zn	THF	r.t.	23%	43:57 (16%)	7%
3 <sup>bc</sup>	( <i>R</i> )-BINAP	Et <sub>2</sub> Zn	THF	r.t.	28%	56:44 (17%)	11%
4	( <i>R</i> )-BINAP	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	THF	r.t.	N.R.	-	-
5	( <i>R</i> )-BINAP	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	THF	55 °C	N.R.	-	-
6	( <i>R</i> )-BINAP	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	30 °C	N.D.	-	-
7 <sup>d</sup>	( <i>R</i> )-BINAP	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	55 °C	58%	67:33 (37%)	21%
8 <sup>e</sup>	( <i>R</i> )-BINAP	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	55 °C	83%	71:29 (54%)	29%
9 <sup>f</sup>	( <i>R</i> )-BINAP	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	55 °C	81%	70:30 (51%)	30%
10	( <i>R</i> )-BINAP	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	55 °C	32%	69:31 (22%)	10%
11 <sup>g</sup>	( <i>R</i> )-BINAP	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	55 °C	26%	66:34 (26%)	-
12	( <i>S,S</i> )-DACH-Phenyl	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	55 °C	N.R.	-	-
13	( <i>R,R</i> )-DACH-Phenyl	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	55 °C	N.R.	-	-

<sup>a</sup> Reaction condition: Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (10 mol%), Ligand (20 mol%), 3-Buten-2-yl-acetate (2.0 equiv.), Base (3.0 equiv.). <sup>b</sup> Reaction condition: Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (10 mol%), Ligand (20 mol%), 3-Buten-2-yl-acetate (2.0 equiv.), Et<sub>2</sub>Zn (0.5 equiv.). <sup>c</sup> Et<sub>2</sub>Zn (2.2 equiv.). <sup>d</sup> Allylpalladium complex was not preformed. <sup>e</sup> 3-Buten-2-yl acetate (5.0 equiv.). <sup>f</sup> 3-Buten-2-yl acetate (1.1 equiv.). <sup>g</sup> 3-Penten-2-yl acetate (1.1 equiv.). <sup>h</sup> Diastereomeric ratio of products from the reaction with 3-penten-2-yl acetate. N.D. = not detectable, N.R. = no reaction, (*S,S*)-DACH-Phenyl = (1*S*,2*S*)-(-)-1,2-diaminocyclohexane-*N,N'*-bis(2-diphenylphosphinobenzoyl); (*S,S*)-DACH-phenyl Trost ligand, (*R,R*)-DACH-Phenyl = (1*R*,2*R*)-(+)-1,2-diaminocyclohexane-*N,N'*-bis(2-diphenylphosphinobenzoyl); (*R,R*)-DACH-phenyl Trost ligand



To eliminate the possible formation of **3d** from the bond formation at the 1° carbon in the allylpalladium complex, we used 3-penten-2-yl acetate instead of 3-buten-2-yl acetate to yield the etherification products with the similar diastereomeric ratio of 66:34 in 26% yield. Therefore, we carried out the etherification reaction as shown in entry 8 in table 2 for the next step.

Oxazolidin-2-one **5a** and **5b** were prepared from **3a** and **3b** via ring-closing metathesis and the aziridine ring opening reaction with H<sub>2</sub>O followed by cyclization. From the bicyclic compounds **5a** and **5b**, *N*-Boc protected furanomycin (**8a**) and 5'-*epi*-furanomycin (**8b**) were synthesized following the same procedure used for the synthesis of norfuranomycin (**8c**) and the reaction yields were similar (Scheme 3).

## Conclusions

We achieved syntheses of *N*-Boc protected L-(+)-furanomycin and its analogues including *N*-Boc protected 5'-*epi*-furanomycin and norfuranomycin from the common intermediate *threo*-hydroxyalkylaziridine **2**. Key steps of these syntheses are the stereoselective etherification of *threo*-hydroxyalkylaziridine for diallyl ethers and ring-closing metathesis to form 1',5'-dihydrofurans. Especially, 5'-methyl-1',5'-dihydrofuran bearing an extra stereocenter at 5'-position was prepared from stereoselective etherification product between allylpalladium intermediate and *threo*-hydroxyalkylaziridine. Proper selection of the phosphorus ligand and the reaction conditions allowed us to switch the stereochemical outcome of the etherification reaction. The *N*-Boc-protected amino acid was prepared from the aziridine ring via regioselective aziridine ring-opening reaction by H<sub>2</sub>O and subsequent reactions including oxidation of amino alcohols.

## Experimental

### Materials and methods

Chiral aziridines are available from Aldrich. All commercially available compounds were used as received unless stated otherwise. All reactions were carried out under an atmosphere of nitrogen in oven-dried glassware with magnetic stirrer. Reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC) with 0.25 mm E. Merck pre-coated silica gel plates (60 F254). Visualization was accomplished with either UV light, or by immersion in solutions of ninhydrin, *p*-anisaldehyde, or phosphomolybdic acid (PMA) followed by heating on a hot plate for about 10 sec. Purification of reaction products was carried out by flash chromatography using Kieselgel 60 Art 9385 (230-400 mesh). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra were obtained using Varian unity INOVA 400WB (400 MHz) or Bruker AVANCE III HD (400 MHz) spectrometer. Chemical shifts are reported relative to chloroform (δ= 7.26) for <sup>1</sup>H NMR and chloroform (δ= 77.2) for <sup>13</sup>C NMR. Data are reported as (br = broad, s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, p = quintet, m = multiplet). Coupling constants are given in Hz. Ambiguous assignments were resolved on the basis of standard

one dimensional proton decoupling experiments. Optical rotations were obtained using Rudolph Autopol III digital polarimeter and JASCO P-2000. Optical rotation data was reported as follows: [α]<sup>20</sup> (concentration *c* = g/100 mL, solvent). High resolution mass spectra were recorded on a 4.7 Tesla IonSpec ESI-TOFMS, JEOL (JMS-700) and AB Sciex 4800 Plus MALDI TOF<sup>TM</sup> (2,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid (DHB) matrix was used to prepare samples for MS. Data was obtained in the reflector positive mode with internal standards for calibration).

### Synthetic procedure

#### (2*R*)-2-((1*R*,*E*)-1-(But-3-en-2-yloxy)but-2-enyl)-1-((*R*)-1-phenylethyl)aziridine (**3a**, **3b**)

**For synthesis of Furanomycin;** To a solution of (*R*,*E*)-1-((*R*)-1-((*R*)-1-phenylethyl) aziridin-2-yl)but-2-en-1-ol **2** (1.02 g, 4.69 mmol) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (44 mL) was added Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (4.587 g, 14.08 mmol) at room temperature. After 20 min, solution including but-3-en-2-yl acetate (2.98 mL, 23.47 mmol), Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (105 mg, 0.470 mmol), and (*R*)-BINAP (584 mg, 0.939 mmol) in CH<sub>3</sub>CN (3 mL) was added to the solution of **2**. Mixture was warmed to 55 °C. After 12 h, the reaction mixture was moved directly onto a silica gel column. Reaction mixture was purified by flash chromatography (1:12 = EtOAc:Hex). The **3a**, **3b** mixed product (687 mg, 54%) was obtained as a colorless oil. The **3d** compound was also obtained.

**For synthesis of 5'-*epi*-furanomycin;** To a solution of (*R*,*E*)-1-((*R*)-1-((*R*)-1-phenylethyl)aziridin-2-yl)but-2-en-1-ol **2** (100 mg, 0.460 mmol) in THF (1 mL) was added dropwise Et<sub>2</sub>Zn (0.230 mL, 1.0 M in hexane) via a syringe at room temperature. After 30 min, the mixture turned cloudy white. To this suspension were added in one portion but-3-en-2-yl acetate (0.064 mL, 0.506 mmol), Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (10 mg, 0.046 mmol), (*S*)-BIANP (57 mg, 0.092 mmol) and NH<sub>4</sub>OAc (3 mg, 0.046 mmol) in THF (1 mL) at 0 °C. The solution was stirred for 9 h at room temperature. The reaction mixture was moved directly onto a silica gel column and purified by flash chromatography (1:12 = EtOAc:Hex). The **3a**, **3b** mixed product (63 mg, 51%) was obtained as a colorless oil. The **3d** compound also obtained.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, Me<sub>4</sub>Si): δ 7.39-7.21 (5H, m, **3a** and **3b**), 5.79 (1H, ddd, *J* = 14.7, 10.4, 6.67 Hz, **3a**), 5.78 (1H, ddd, *J* = 17.2, 10.3, 6.9 Hz, **3b**), 5.71-5.54 (1H, m, **3a** and **3b**), 5.48 (1H, m, **3b**), 5.41 (1H, dddd, *J* = 15.3, 7.6, 3.1, 1.5 Hz, **3a**), 5.18 (1H, dddd, *J* = 48.0, 10.5, 1.8, 1.1 Hz, **3a**), 5.16 (1H, dddd, *J* = 48.3, 10.3, 1.7, 1.0 Hz, **3b**), 4.39 (1H, p, *J* = 6.5 Hz, **3b**), 4.05 (1H, pt, *J* = 6.4, 0.9 Hz, **3a**), 3.44 (1H, m, **3a** and **3b**), 2.43 (1H, q, *J* = 6.6 Hz, **3b**), 2.42 (1H, q, *J* = 6.5 Hz, **3a**), 1.72 (3H, ddd, *J* = 6.5, 1.6, 0.5 Hz, **3a**), 1.69 (3H, ddd, *J* = 6.4, 1.6, 1.0 Hz, **3b**), 1.68-1.63 (1H, m, **3a** and **3b**), 1.49 (1H, d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, **3a**), 1.48 (3H, d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, **3b**), 1.46 (3H, d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, **3a**), 1.44 (1H, d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, **3b**), 1.29 (3H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, **3b**), 1.25 (3H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, **3a**), 1.24 (1H, d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, **3a**), 1.23

ppm (1H, d,  $J = 6.7$  Hz, **3b**);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  145.0, 141.2, 141.0, 128.5, 127.1, 127.0, 115.3, 115.2, 79.9, 79.8, 75.2, 73.6, 70.0, 69.9, 44.3, 30.4, 30.3, 23.5, 21.9, 21.5, 18.0, 17.9 ppm; HRMS-MALDI ( $m/z$ ):  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}+\text{H}^+$ , 272.2009; found, 272.2003.

**Compound 3d**:  $[\alpha]^{20} +56^\circ$  ( $c$  0.49 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ):  $\delta$  7.44-7.22 (5H, m), 5.82-5.59 (3H, m), 5.48 (1H, ddd,  $J = 14.1, 7.1, 1.2$  Hz), 4.05 (2H, m), 3.40 (1H, t,  $J = 7.5$  Hz), 2.46 (1H, q,  $J = 6.5$  Hz), 1.81-1.67 (1H, m), 1.74 (6H, m), 1.52 (4H, m), 1.27 ppm (1H, d,  $J = 6.3$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  144.8, 135.5, 129.5, 128.8, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3, 127.0, 116.1, 82.3, 70.0, 69.6, 44.3, 30.3, 23.4, 18.0 ppm; HRMS-MALDI ( $m/z$ ):  $[\text{M}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{25}\text{N}^+$ , 271.1931; found, 271.1933.

**(*R*)-2-((*R,E*)-1-(Allyloxy)but-2-enyl)-1-((*R*)-1-phenylethyl)aziridine (**3c**)**

To a solution of (*R,E*)-1-((*R*)-1-((*R*)-1-phenylethyl)aziridin-2-yl)but-2-en-1-ol **2** (2.89 g, 13.29 mmol) in THF (50 mL) was added NaH (478 mg, 19.939 mmol) and allyliodide (1.46 mL, 15.95 mmol) at 0 °C and then warmed to room temperature. The resulting mixture was stirred for 3 h. and then quenched with aq.  $\text{NaHCO}_3$ . The mixture was extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , filtered and concentrated in vacuo. Crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (1:12 = EtOAc:Hex). Desired product (3.24 g, 95%) as a yellow oil was obtained.  $[\alpha]^{20} +91^\circ$  ( $c$  0.81 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ )  $\delta$  7.22-7.38 (5H, m), 5.95 (1H, ddt,  $J = 17.2, 10.5, 5.3$  Hz), 5.67 (1H, dqd,  $J = 15.4, 6.5, 0.9$  Hz), 5.46 (1H, ddq,  $J = 15.4, 7.7, 1.6$  Hz), 5.34 (1H, ddd,  $J = 17.2, 3.6, 1.8$  Hz), 5.16 (1H, ddt,  $J = 10.5, 1.9, 1.4$  Hz), 4.09 (2H, dddt,  $J = 35.7, 13.1, 5.3, 1.6$  Hz), 3.39 (1H, t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz), 2.45 (1H, q,  $J = 6.5$  Hz), 1.73 (3H, ddd,  $J = 6.5, 1.6, 0.5$  Hz), 1.67-1.71 (1H, m), 1.52 (1H, d,  $J = 3.6$  Hz), 1.49 (3H, d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz), 1.26 ppm (1H, d,  $J = 6.7$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  144.8, 135.5, 129.4, 129.0, 128.4, 127.1, 127.0, 116.2, 82.5, 70.00, 69.6, 44.3, 30.4, 23.4, 18.0 ppm; HRMS-ESI ( $m/z$ ):  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}+\text{Na}^+$ , 280.1672; found, 280.1677.

**(*R*)-2-((2*R,5S*)-5-Methyl-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)-1-((*R*)-1-phenylethyl)aziridine (**4a**) and (*R*)-2-((2*R,5R*)-5-methyl-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)-1-((*R*)-1-phenylethyl)aziridine (**4b**)**

To a solution of (2*R*)-2-((1*R,E*)-1-(but-3-en-2-yloxy)but-2-en-1-yl)-1-((*R*)-1-phenyl ethyl)aziridine **3** (1.52 g, 5.59 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (56 mL) was added Grubbs' 1<sup>st</sup> generation catalyst (0.460 g, 0.559 mmol) at room temperature. After 20 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The reaction mixture was purified by Column chromatography (1:8 to 1:5 = EtOAc:Hex). The diastereomeric compounds (**4a** and **4b**, 1.13 g, 88% $\square$ ) as colorless oils were obtained respectively.

**Compound 4a**:  $[\alpha]^{20} +235^\circ$  ( $c$  1.14 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ):  $\delta$  7.39-7.21 (5H, m), 5.88 (1H, ddd,  $J = 6.1, 2.1, 1.5$  Hz), 5.74 (1H, m), 5.05 (1H, m), 4.65 (1H, m), 2.43 (1H, q,  $J = 6.5$  Hz), 1.61 (2H, m), 1.46 (3H, d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz), 1.27 (3H, d,  $J = 6.4$  Hz), 1.25 ppm (1H, d,  $J = 6.4$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  144.9, 133.3, 128.4, 127.1, 127.0, 127.0 87.5, 82.3, 69.8, 43.3, 29.8, 23.6, 22.0 ppm; HRMS-MALDI ( $m/z$ ):  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}+\text{H}^+$ , 230.1539; found, 230.1532.

**Compound 4b**:  $[\alpha]^{20} +83^\circ$  ( $c$  1.05 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ):  $\delta$  7.22-7.40 (5H, m), 5.86 (1H, ddd,  $J = 6.1, 2.3, 1.4$  Hz), 5.73 (1H, m), 4.92-4.98 (1H, m), 4.51 (1H, dddd,  $J = 7.1, 3.6, 2.2, 1.5$  Hz), 2.44 (1H, q,  $J = 6.5$  Hz), 1.62 (1H, d,  $J = 3.5$  Hz), 1.56 (1H, td,  $J = 6.7, 3.5$  Hz), 1.47 (3H, d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz), 1.34 (3H, d,  $J = 6.4$  Hz), 1.27 ppm (1H, d,  $J = 6.5$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  144.9, 133.3, 128.4, 127.1, 127.0, 126.9, 88.2, 82.4, 69.8, 44.4, 30.0, 23.6, 23.2 ppm; HRMS-MALDI ( $m/z$ ):  $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}+\text{H}^+$ , 230.1539; found, 230.1534.

**(*R*)-2-((*R*)-2,5-Dihydrofuran-2-yl)-1-((*R*)-1-phenylethyl)aziridine (**4c**)**

Product was obtained in the same manner as procedure of synthesis of **4a** and **4b**. The desired product (92%) as a colorless oil was obtained;  $[\alpha]^{20} +121^\circ$  ( $c$  0.015 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ):  $\delta$  7.39-7.22 (5H, m), 5.99 (1H, ddt,  $J = 6.3, 2.2, 1.6$  Hz), 5.78 (1H, dtd,  $J = 6.3, 2.4, 1.5$ ), 4.76 (1H, dddd,  $J = 12.8, 6.0, 2.4, 1.6$  Hz), 4.66 (1H, dddd,  $J = 12.8, 4.0, 2.5, 1.6$  Hz), 4.58 (1H, m), 2.44 (1H, q,  $J = 6.5$  Hz), 1.63 (1H, d,  $J = 3.5$  Hz), 1.62 (1H, m), 1.47 (3H, d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz), 12.8 ppm (1H, d,  $J = 6.4$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  144.8, 128.4, 128.3, 127.4, 127.1, 127.0, 88.3, 75.7, 69.8, 43.2, 29.8, 23.6 ppm; HRMS-ESI ( $m/z$ ):  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}+\text{Na}^+$ , 238.1202; found, 238.1206.

**(*R*)-4-((2*R,5S*)-5-Methyl-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)-3-((*R*)-1-phenylethyl)oxazolidin-2-one (**5a**), (*R*)-4-((2*R,5R*)-5-methyl-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)-3-((*R*)-1-phenylethyl)oxazolidin-2-one (**5b**) and (*R*)-4-((*R*)-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)-3-((*R*)-1-phenylethyl)oxazolidin-2-one (**5c**)**

A solution of the corresponding (*R*)-2-((2*R,5S*)-5-methyl-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)-1-((*R*)-1-phenylethyl)aziridine **4a** (570 mg, 2.49 mmol) and  $\text{BF}_3\cdot\text{OEt}_2$  (4.92 mL, 4.48 mmol) in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O} = 7:1$  (62 mL) was refluxed for 3 h. Then, the reaction mixture was hydrolyzed with satd.  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  (10 mL) and extracted with  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  (3  $\times$  30 mL). The combined organic layers were dried with anhydrous  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , filtered and concentrated in vacuo. The obtained crude product was dissolved in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (62 mL), and then 1,1'-carbonyldiimidazole (967 mg, 5.97 mmol) and DBU (1.11 mL, 7.46 mmol) were added to solution. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. The mixture was extracted with  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ . The combined organic layer was washed with

brine, dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , filtered and concentrated under vacuo. The crude compound was purified by column chromatography (1:5 = EtOAc:Hex). The product **5a** (564 mg, 83%) as a white powder was obtained.

**Compound 5a:** mp 87-90 °C;  $[\alpha]^{20} +231^\circ$  (*c* 6.10 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ):  $\delta$  7.49-7.25 (5H, m), 5.88 (1H, m), 5.27 (1H, m), 5.20 (1H, q,  $J = 7.2\text{ Hz}$ ), 4.89 (1H, m), 4.49 (1H, ddd,  $J = 5.9, 3.7, 1.6\text{ Hz}$ ), 4.17 (1H, dd,  $J = 12.5, 4.4\text{ Hz}$ ), 3.99 (2H, m), 1.73 (3H, d,  $J = 7.2\text{ Hz}$ ), 1.13 ppm (3H, d,  $J = 6.4\text{ Hz}$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  158.5, 141.4, 135.6, 128.9, 128.2, 127.5, 123.8, 84.6, 83.5, 63.3, 56.3, 52.2, 21.8, 16.5 ppm; HRMS-MALDI (*m/z*):  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_3+\text{Na}^+$ , 296.1257; found, 296.1252.

**Compound 5b:** Product was obtained in the same manner as procedure of synthesis of **5a**. The desired product (85%) as a white powder was obtained; mp 133-134 °C;  $[\alpha]^{20} +85^\circ$  (*c* 0.755 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ):  $\delta$  7.47-7.27 (5H, m), 5.83 (1H, m), 5.31 (1H, m), 5.21 (1H, q,  $J = 7.2\text{ Hz}$ ), 4.78 (1H, m), 4.39 (1H, ddd,  $J = 6.4, 4.3, 2.0\text{ Hz}$ ), 4.18 (1H, t,  $J = 8.8\text{ Hz}$ ), 4.11 (1H, dd,  $J = 8.9, 4.5\text{ Hz}$ ), 3.96 (1H, dt,  $J = 8.7, 4.4\text{ Hz}$ ), 1.74 (3H, d,  $J = 7.2\text{ Hz}$ ), 1.23 ppm (3H, d,  $J = 6.5\text{ Hz}$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  158.5, 141.4, 135.4, 128.8, 128.2, 127.4, 124.1, 85.1, 82.7, 63.4, 55.9, 52.2, 21.5, 16.5 ppm; HRMS-MALDI (*m/z*):  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{38}\text{NO}_6+\text{Na}^+$ , 569.2622; found, 569.2621.

**Compound 5c:** The procedure was same with synthesis of **5a**. Purification of mixture was performed by column chromatography (1:3 = EtOAc:Hex). The desired product (75%) as a crystalline solid was obtained; mp 53-54 °C;  $[\alpha]^{20} +174^\circ$  (*c* 0.029 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ):  $\delta$  7.48-7.27 (5H, m), 5.97 (1H, m), 5.30 (1H, m), 5.23 (1H, q,  $J = 7.2\text{ Hz}$ ), 4.60 (1H, dddd,  $J = 13.1, 6.2, 2.4, 1.6\text{ Hz}$ ), 4.51 (1H, dddd,  $J = 13.1, 4.2, 2.5, 1.6\text{ Hz}$ ), 4.40 (1H, m), 4.17 (1H, td,  $J = 8.4, 0.5\text{ Hz}$ ), 4.02 (1H, m), 3.97 (1H, dd,  $J = 8.5, 4.1\text{ Hz}$ ), 1.73 ppm (3H, d,  $J = 7.2\text{ Hz}$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  158.5, 141.3, 130.6, 128.8, 128.3, 127.5, 124.2, 85.2, 76.5, 63.2, 56.1, 52.1, 16.4 ppm; HRMS-ESI (*m/z*):  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_3+\text{Na}^+$ , 282.1101; found, 282.1104.

**(*R*)-4-((2*R*,5*S*)-5-Methyl-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (6a), (*R*)-4-((2*R*,5*R*)-5-methyl-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (6b) and (*R*)-4-((*R*)-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (6c)**

To the solution of the starting (*R*)-4-((2*R*,5*S*)-5-methyl-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)-3-((*R*)-1-phenylethyl)oxazolidin-2-one **5a** (565 mg, 2.067 mmol) in THF (21 mL) was added Na (142 mg, 6.20 mmol) at -78 °C under  $\text{N}_2$ . Liquid  $\text{NH}_3$  was added to solution until converted dark blue solution and then was stirred for 30 min. The mixture was quenched by cold water and then extracted with EtOAc (3 × 70 mL). The combined organic was washed with brine (50 mL), dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$  and

concentrated by vacuum. The product **6a** (269 mg, 77%) as a white powder was obtained.

**Compound 6a:** mp 53-54 °C;  $[\alpha]^{20} +162^\circ$  (*c* 3.28 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  6.04 (1H, ddd,  $J = 6.2, 2.0, 1.5\text{ Hz}$ ), 5.68 (1H, m), 5.61 (1H, s), 4.99 (1H, m), 4.86 (1H, ddd,  $J = 7.6, 3.8, 1.8\text{ Hz}$ ), 4.43 (1H, t,  $J = 8.7\text{ Hz}$ ), 4.30 (1H, dd,  $J = 8.7, 4.9\text{ Hz}$ ), 3.83 (1H, ddd,  $J = 8.8, 4.7, 0.6\text{ Hz}$ ), 1.26 ppm (3H, d,  $J = 6.4\text{ Hz}$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  159.9, 136.2, 124.0, 86.3, 83.2, 66.7, 55.7, 21.8 ppm; HRMS-MALDI (*m/z*):  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_3+\text{Na}^+$ , 192.0631; found, 192.0636.

**Compound 6b:** Product was obtained in the same manner as procedure of synthesis of **6a**. The desired product (76%) as a white powder was obtained; mp 101-105 °C;  $[\alpha]^{20} -51^\circ$  (*c* 0.11 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ):  $\delta$  6.01 (1H, ddd,  $J = 6.2, 2.3, 1.4\text{ Hz}$ ), 5.66 (1H, ddd,  $J = 6.2, 2.1, 1.6\text{ Hz}$ ), 5.64 (1H, bs), 4.97 (1H, m), 4.80 (1H, tdd,  $J = 4.0, 2.3, 1.5\text{ Hz}$ ), 4.45 (1H, t,  $J = 8.7\text{ Hz}$ ), 4.33 (1H, dd,  $J = 8.7, 4.8\text{ Hz}$ ), 3.85 (1H, ddd,  $J = 8.9, 4.8, 0.6\text{ Hz}$ ), 1.29 ppm (3H, d,  $J = 6.5\text{ Hz}$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  159.8, 136.0, 124.0, 86.9, 83.0, 66.7, 55.7, 22.0 ppm; HRMS-MALDI (*m/z*):  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_3+\text{Na}^+$ , 192.0631; found, 192.0632.

**Compound 6c:** Product was obtained in the same manner as procedure of synthesis of **6a**. Purify of crude product was performed through recrystallization with 30% DCM in Hexane. The desired product (75%) as a white powder was obtained; mp 75-76 °C;  $[\alpha]^{20} +79^\circ$  (*c* 0.011 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ):  $\delta$  6.22 (1H, s), 6.16 (1H, ddd,  $J = 6.2, 3.7, 1.7\text{ Hz}$ ), 5.73 (1H, dtd,  $J = 6.4, 2.5, 1.5\text{ Hz}$ ), 4.84 (1H, m), 4.69 (2H, m), 4.44 (1H, t,  $J = 8.7\text{ Hz}$ ), 4.30 (1H, dd,  $J = 8.7, 4.9\text{ Hz}$ ), 3.89 ppm (1H, ddd,  $J = 8.8, 4.7, 0.6\text{ Hz}$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  160.2, 131.1, 124.3, 86.7, 76.3, 66.6, 55.6 ppm; HRMS-MALDI (*m/z*):  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_7\text{H}_9\text{NO}_3+\text{Na}^+$ , 178.0474; found, 178.0477.

***tert*-Butyl ((*R*)-2-hydroxy-1-((2*R*,5*S*)-5-methyl-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)ethyl)carbamate (7a), *tert*-butyl ((*R*)-2-hydroxy-1-((2*R*,5*R*)-5-methyl-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)ethyl)carbamate (7b) and *tert*-butyl (1*R*)-1-(2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)-2-hydroxyethylcarbamate (7c)**

To a solution of (*R*)-4-((2*R*,5*S*)-5-methyl-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)oxazolidin-2-one **6a** (23.4 mg, 0.138 mmol) in 5 mL of 30% aqueous EtOH was added KOH (23 mg, 0.415 mmol). The mixture was refluxed for 2 h and cooled to room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo. The mixture was neutralized with 0.5 M HCl and then purified by cation exchange resin (Dowex<sup>®</sup> 50WX2 hydrogen form). The obtained amino alcohol was dissolved in MeOH (2 mL). To the solution was added  $(\text{Boc})_2\text{O}$  (4.53 mg, 0.207 mmol) at r.t. for 3 h. Solvent was removed in vacuo. The crude product was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (1:3 to 1:1 = EtOAc:Hex). The product **7a** (33.6 mg, 79%) as a colorless oil was obtained.



**Compound 7a:**  $[\alpha]^{20} +195^\circ$  (*c* 2.94 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ):  $\delta$  5.82 (2H, dd,  $J = 41.2, 5.7$  Hz), 5.08 (1H, d,  $J = 4.4$  Hz), 5.01 (2H, dt,  $J = 12.1, 6.1$ ), 3.88 (1H, d,  $J = 7.1$  Hz), 3.74 (2H, m), 2.88 (1H, s), 1.42 (9H, s), 1.24 ppm (3H, d,  $J = 6.3$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  156.5, 132.8, 127.0, 87.5, 83.3, 79.5, 64.8, 54.2, 28.5, 21.9 ppm; HRMS-MALDI (*m/z*):  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_4+\text{Na}^+$ , 266.1363; found, 266.1366.

**Compound 7b:** Product was obtained in the same manner as procedure of synthesis of **7a**. The desired product (85%) as a colorless oil was obtained;  $[\alpha]^{20} +93^\circ$  (*c* 4.910 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ):  $\delta$  5.79 (2H, dd,  $J = 18.8, 5.8$  Hz), 5.02 (2H, br s), 4.93 (1H, m), 3.88 (1H, dd,  $J = 10.7, 2.0$  Hz), 3.76 (2H, m), 2.82 (1H, d,  $J = 5.5$  Hz), 1.42 (9H, s), 1.31 ppm (3H, d,  $J = 6.4$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  156.4, 132.5, 127.5, 88.6, 82.7, 79.5, 65.1, 53.2, 28.5, 22.2 ppm; HRMS-MALDI (*m/z*):  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_4+\text{Na}^+$ , 266.1363; found, 266.1362.

**Compound 7c:** Product was obtained in the same manner as procedure of synthesis of **7a**. The desired product (85%) as a colorless oil was obtained;  $[\alpha]^{20} +181^\circ$  (*c* 0.84 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ );  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ):  $\delta$  5.97 (1H, ddd,  $J = 6.1, 3.6, 1.6$  Hz), 5.81 (1H, m), 5.03 (1H, m), 4.71 (1H, dddd,  $J = 12.7, 6.0, 2.3, 1.7$  Hz), 4.62 (1H, dddd,  $J = 12.7, 4.2, 2.5, 1.6$  Hz), 3.81 (1H, m), 3.77 (2H, m), 2.82 (1H, d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz), 1.42 ppm (9H, s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  156.5, 127.8, 127.5, 88.3, 79.6, 76.3, 64.9, 54.1, 28.5 ppm; HRMS-MALDI (*m/z*):  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_4+\text{Na}^+$ , 252.1206; found, 252.1200.

**(S)-2-((tert-Butoxycarbonyl)amino)-2-((2R,5S)-5-methyl-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)acetic acid (8a), (S)-2-((tert-butoxycarbonyl)amino)-2-((2R,5R)-5-methyl-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)acetic acid (8b) and (2S)-2-((tert-butoxycarbonylamino)-2-(2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)acetic acid (8c)**

The *tert*-butyl ((*R*)-2-hydroxy-1-((2*R*,5*S*)-5-methyl-2,5-dihydrofuran-2-yl)ethyl)carbamate **7a** (210 mg, 0.862 mmol) was dissolved in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (3 mL). Dess-Martin periodinane (475 mg, 1.12 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred for 1 h, diluted with ether (10 mL), and quenched with 10 mL of satd.  $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ , and diluted with additional 10 mL of ether. The aqueous phase was extracted with ether (2  $\times$  20 mL), and the combined organic layer was washed with satd.  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  and brine, then dried with  $\text{MgSO}_4$  and concentrated under reduced pressure. The obtained *N*-Boc furanomycinol as a yellow oil was carried on to the next step without delay. The crude aldehyde was dissolved in *t*-BuOH (16 mL). Into this solution was added 2-methyl-2-butene (0.958 mL, 9.05 mmol) and  $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4$  (186 mg, 1.55 mmol) in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (2 mL). The stirred mixture was cooled to 0  $^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $\text{NaClO}_2$  (155 mg, 1.72 mmol) in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (1 mL) was added slowly. The mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred till reaction solution

turned orange-brown. Solvent was evaporated and then the reaction mixture was separated between EtOAc (10 mL) and satd.  $\text{NaHCO}_3$ . The aqueous layer was washed with EtOAc (2  $\times$  10 mL) and was acidified with 1 M HCl to pH 2-3. This solution was extracted with  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (3  $\times$  20 mL). Combined organic layers were dried anhydrous  $\text{MgSO}_4$  and concentrated in vacuo. The product **8a** (175 mg, 79%) as a colorless solid was obtained.

**Compound 8a:** mp 151-152  $^\circ\text{C}$  (lit.,<sup>1a</sup> 151-153  $^\circ\text{C}$ );  $[\alpha]^{20} +181^\circ$  (*c* 2.05 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ) (lit.,<sup>1a</sup> +181 $^\circ$  (*c* 1.49 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ));  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ):  $\delta$  5.91 (1H, d,  $J = 6.3$  Hz), 5.77 (1H, d,  $J = 6.0$  Hz), 5.41 (1H, m), 5.23 (1H, d,  $J = 9.1$  Hz), 5.05 (1H, m), 4.49 (1H, dd,  $J = 9.2, 1.6$  Hz), 1.42 (9H, s), 1.25 ppm (3H, d,  $J = 6.4$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  174.5, 156.1, 133.8, 125.9, 86.4, 83.7, 80.2, 56.9, 28.4, 21.8 ppm; HRMS-MALDI (*m/z*):  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_5+\text{Na}^+$ , 280.1155; found, 280.1158.

**Compound 8b:** Product was obtained in the same manner as procedure of synthesis of **7a**. The desired product (75%) as a colorless solid was obtained; mp 96-98  $^\circ\text{C}$  (lit.,<sup>1a</sup> 95-100  $^\circ\text{C}$ );  $[\alpha]^{20} +86^\circ$  (*c* 0.36 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ) (lit.,<sup>1a</sup> +91.5 $^\circ$  (*c* 1.47 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ));  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ,  $\text{Me}_4\text{Si}$ ):  $\delta$  7.07 (1H, br s) 5.86 (1H, d,  $J = 5.6$  Hz), 5.76 (1H, d,  $J = 5.6$  Hz), 5.35 (1H, s), 5.16 (1H, d,  $J = 9.1$  Hz), 4.95 (1H, m), 4.53 (1H, d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz), 1.43 (9H, s), 1.32 ppm (3H, d,  $J = 6.4$  Hz);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  174.7, 155.9, 133.4, 126.3, 87.0, 82.9, 80.2, 56.0, 28.4, 22.0 ppm; HRMS-MALDI (*m/z*):  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_5+\text{Na}^+$ , 280.1155; found, 280.1157.

**Compound 8c:** Product was obtained in the same manner as procedure of synthesis of **7a**. The desired product (70%) as a glass-like viscous liquid was obtained;  $[\alpha]^{20} +100^\circ$  (*c* 0.56 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ) (lit.,<sup>7a</sup> enantiomer, -100 $^\circ$  (*c* 1.00 in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ ));  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  6.04 (1H, d,  $J = 5.0$  Hz), 5.83 (1H, d,  $J = 4.8$  Hz), 5.38 (1H, s) 5.20 (1H, d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz), 4.74 (1H, dd,  $J = 12.6, 5.6$  Hz), 4.65 (1H, m), 4.55 (1H, d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz), 1.44 ppm (9H, s);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  174.7, 156.1, 128.9, 126.3, 86.9, 80.3, 76.6, 56.8, 28.4 ppm; HRMS-MALDI (*m/z*):  $[\text{M}+\text{Na}]^+$  calcd for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_5+\text{Na}^+$ , 266.0999; found, 266.0998.

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