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Design, Synthesis and Biological Evaluation of Nonpeptide Integrin Antagonists

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Abstract—Recent studies demonstrated that peptide and antibody antagonists of integrin $\alpha_v\beta_3$ block angiogenesis and tumor growth. In this article, the design, synthesis and biological evaluation of a series of nitroaryl ether-based, non-peptide mimetics are described. The design of these compounds was based on Merck's arylether/ α -aminoacid/guanidine framework and incorporates a novel nitroaryl system. The synthesized mimetics were tested against a variety of integrins ($\alpha_v\beta_3$, $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$, and $\alpha_v\beta_5$) in order to determine their binding selectivity and ability to inhibit cell adhesion. Selected compounds were also tested for their ability to inhibit angiogenesis in vivo in the CAM (chick chorioallantoic membrane) assay. From the generated compound library, compounds **16** and **19** proved to be potent and selective inhibitors of $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$ (IC₅₀ = 14 nM) whereas compound **11** showed excellent in vivo inhibition of angiogenesis (at 30 µg/embryo). © 1998 Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.

Introduction

The integrins are a class of cell surface proteins that facilitate cell–cell and cell–matrix adhesion.¹ These important biological targets are membrane bound, heterodimeric glycoproteins made up of an α -subunit and a β -subunit. The relative affinity and specificity for ligand binding is determined by the unique combination of the different α - and β -subunits. Of the members of this family of receptors, $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$, $\alpha_5\beta_1$, $\alpha_{\nu}\beta_3$ and $\alpha_{\nu}\beta_5$ are extensively studied. A number of known natural ligands to these integrins, such as fibronectin (binds to $\alpha_5\beta_1$ and $\alpha_{\nu}\beta_3$), fibrinogen (binds to $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$ and $\alpha_{\nu}\beta_3$) and vitronectin (binds to $\alpha_{\nu}\beta_3$ and $\alpha_{\nu}\beta_5$), contain common peptide sequence within their native sequence, which are recognized by several integrins. The $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$ integrin was shown to be an excellent target for the inhibition of

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platelet aggregation and several groups have already disclosed the design and synthesis of potent binders with peptide and nonpeptidal structures.² Within the context of angiogenesis, the functions of $\alpha_{v}\beta_{3}$ and $\alpha_{v}\beta_{5}$ have been shown to be vital.³ Cheresh and co-workers have shown that in vivo inhibition of binding of these integrins to their native ligands by antibodies or cyclic peptides interferes with angiogenesis and induces tumor regression.⁴ In addition to its relevance to angiogenesis, $\alpha_{v}\beta_{3}$ has also been shown to play a role in mediating adhesion of osteoclasts to the bone matrix⁵ and in the migration of vascular smooth muscle cells.⁶ Antagonists of $\alpha_v \beta_3$ are, therefore, envisioned as potential therapeutic agents for the treatment of numerous disease states such as diabetic retinopathy,7 cancer,4 osteoporosis5 and restenosis.6

The first small molecule antagonists of $\alpha_{\nu}\beta_{3}$ were reported by Kessler et al.⁸ (e.g. 1, Fig. 1). Subsequently, groups from Dupont-Merck^{9a} (e.g. 2, Fig. 1) and

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Figure 1. Selected structures of $\alpha_v \beta_3$ antagonists.

SmithKline Beecham^{9b} (SKB) (e.g. **3**, Fig. 1) published their results in the field. In addition, cyclic peptides such as **4** and **5** (Fig. 1) were synthesized and shown to be active by Burgess et al.^{9c} and Tran et al.,^{9d} respectively.

More recently a number of groups reported their results with high affinity ligands for $\alpha_v\beta_3$ possessing structures significantly deviating from classical peptide frameworks (e.g. **6–9**, Fig. 2). These structures contain a central scaffold (e.g. benzene,^{10a} benzodiazepinetype,^{10b,d} or urea^{10c} backbone) onto which appendages carrying carboxylate and guanidino groups are attached. In our group we have previously utilized carbohydrate frameworks¹¹ as scaffolds for the design and synthesis of potential $\alpha_v\beta_3$ antagonsists.¹² In this article we describe the design, chemical synthesis and biological evaluation of a series of nitroaryl-based integrin antagonists and their use as anti-angiogenic agents.

Results and Discussion

Design and retrosynthetic analysis

Figure 3 shows the targeted compounds (10–22) for the present study. Amongst the considerations that led to their design were: (a) the Merck^{10a} findings pointing to the importance of the guanidine/aryl sulfonamide functionalities; and (b) the facile entry into such structures from *o*-nitro-arylfluorides as shown in Fig. 4. The designed molecules fall within the general structure I (Fig. 4), which can be derived by coupling the central nitrofluoroaromatic system II with fragments III (nucleophile) and IV (aminoacid component).

Chemical synthesis

For the synthesis of compounds 10–22 (Fig. 3), the amino acid derivatives 26, 29a, and 29b were required. These intermediates were obtained from L-asparagine

CO₂H



Figure 2. Selected nonpeptide mimetics with high affinity for $\alpha_v\beta_3$.

(23) as outlined in Scheme 1. Thus, conversion of 23 to its Boc derivative (24, 88%) under standard conditions was followed by benzyl ester formation $(Cs_2CO_3-BnBr)^{13a}$ to afford 25 (88% yield). Conversion of the amide to the amine by a decarboxylative rearrangement with PhI(OCOCF₃)₂ furnished derivative 26 in 41% yield.^{13b,c} The sulfonamides 29a and 29b were prepared by sulfonylation of the amino group of 23 to afford 27a and 27b, followed by Hoffmann rearrangement and esterification of the resulting aminoacids (28a and 28b) with isobutylene (Scheme 1). Details and yields for these transformations can be found in Scheme 1.¹⁴

Scheme 2 summarizes the initial approach to compounds 10-13. Thus, 4-fluoro-o-nitrobenzoic acid (30) was converted to its methyl ester (31, 98%) by treatment with trimethylorthoacetate¹⁵ at 80 °C, and thence reacted with N₃(CH₂)₂OTBS in DMF¹⁶ in the presence of catalytic amounts of TBAF resulting in the formation of compound 32 (73%). Saponification of 32 (LiOH, 99%) yield) furnished carboxylic acid 33 which was condensed with building block 26 in the presence of DCC and 4-DMAP to give key intermediate 34 (82% yield). For the synthesis of 10, compound 34 was reduced with Ph₃P in the presence of H₂O, to afford amine 35a, together with the rearranged product 35b (80% combined yield) in which the side chain heteroatoms have interchanged positions (via an internal nucleophilic attack, see structure 35a).¹⁷ On standing at ambient temperature, primary amine 35a underwent quantitative conversion to primary alcohol 35b. However, it was possible to rapidly manipulate the compound through basic hydrolysis (LiOH) and guanylation (1H-pyrazole-1-carboxamidine HCl)¹⁸ and obtain the targeted compound 10, albeit in low yield (15% after RP-HPLC purification).

For the synthesis of the sulfonamide compounds 11–13, the common intermediate 34 was deprotected (TFA, 84%) and the liberated amine (37) was reacted with the appropriate sulfonyl chloride to afford compounds 38a (78%) and **38b** (57%). Reduction of the azide functionality in 38a and 38b with Ph₃P-H₂O, again resulted in a mixture of the corresponding primary amine (39a and 39b) and its rearranged primary alcohol (41a and 41b) in 80% total yield. Basic hydrolysis of **39a** and **39b** resulted in the formation of the corresponding carboxylic acids (40a and 40b, 93-99% yield), guanylation of which as described above furnished the desired compounds 11 and 13 (13-15% yield, unoptimized) respectively. Similarly, hydrolysis of **41a** (LiOH, 96% yield) followed by guanylation furnished compound 12 in low yield, via compound 42a.

The rearrangement observed during the reduction of the side-chain azido group led us to explore an alternative strategy for the construction of the targeted nitroaryl ether compounds. According to the new plan, a nucleophilic species containing a fully protected guanidine moiety was to be employed in the displacement of the fluoride from the central nitroaryl system. To this end, the nucleophiles 51-56¹⁹⁻²¹ were prepared from readily available starting materials and by standard chemistry as outlined in Scheme 3. The incorporation of these fragments into the main-frame of the molecule via nucleophilic aromatic substitution,^{16,17} and the synthesis of the final targets are shown in Scheme 4 (11, 14–19) and Scheme 5 (20 and 21). Thus, the acid chloride 57 (derived from carboxylic acid 30) was coupled with amines 29a and 29b in the presence of Et₃N to afford amides 58 (98%) and 59 (96%), respectively. Coupling of 58 with nucleophile 51 was effected in the presence of



Figure 3. Targeted nitroaryl ethers (10-21) and benzimidazole 22.

NaH in DMF to afford product 60 in 66% yield. Similarly, 63 was obtained by coupling 59 with 51 (69% yield). The amino compounds 61 and 64 were obtained from 58 and 59 in 73 and 99% yield, respectively, by reaction with amine 53 in DMF at ambient temperature. Thioether 62 was obtained by exposure of 58 to thiol 54 and NaH (DMF, 25°C, 23% yield). Treatment of compounds 60–64 with TFA in CH_2Cl_2 at room

temperature resulted in concomitant deprotection of both the guanidine and carboxyl groups in excellent yield (90–99%, after RP-HPLC purification). The piperazine compounds 16 and 19 were prepared in a similar fashion from 58 and 59 respectively by first displacing the fluoride with nucleophile 52, followed by TFA-induced deprotection of the resulting derivatives 65 and 66 as summarized in Scheme 4.



Figure 4. General structures of nitroaryl ether peptide mimetics and retrosynthetic analysis.



Scheme 1. Synthesis of amino esters 26, 29a, and 29b. Reagents and conditions: (a) 1.1 equiv of Boc₂O, 1.0 equiv of Na₂CO₃, 1,4-dioxane, H₂O, 25 °C, 88%; (b. i.) 20% aq solution of Cs₂CO₃, H₂O:MeOH (1:2.5), 25 °C, 4h, 100%; (ii) 1.1 equiv of BnBr, DMF, 25 °C, 14h, 88%; (c) 1.5 equiv of PhI(OCOCF₃)₂, DMF:H₂O (1:1), 2.0 equiv of pyridine, 25 °C, 3.5 h, 41%; (d) 1.1 equiv of ArSO₂Cl, 2.25 equiv of NaOH, dioxane:H₂O (1:2), $0 \rightarrow 25$ °C, 3 h, [71% for 27a, 66% for 27b]; (e) 1.3 equiv of Br₂, 9.2 equiv of NaOH, H₂O, $0 \rightarrow 90$ °C, [75% for 28a, 81% for 28b]; (f) isobutylene, 2.8 equiv of concd H₂SO₄, DME, $-78 \rightarrow 25$ °C, 48 h, [55% for 29a, 51% for 29b]. DME = dimethoxyethane; DMF = dimethylformamide; 2-Naph = 2-naphthyl.

The synthesis of compounds **20** and **21** is shown in Scheme 5. Thus, reaction of **58** with **55** in the presence of Et₃N at 25 °C in DMF resulted in the formation of compound **67** (92% yield) which was exposed to TFA:CH₂Cl₂ (1:1) at 25 °C to afford targeted benzimidazole **20** (97% yield). In a similar fashion, compound **21** was prepared via the intermediacy of **68** by reaction of **58** with **56** (Et₃N, DMF, 25° C) followed by deprotection (83% after RP-HPLC purification).

Finally, the preparation of compound 22 is shown in Scheme 6. Thus, key intermediate 57 was reacted with ammonia in DMF to afford nitroaniline 69 in 93% yield. Reduction of 69 with H_2 in the presence of 10%



Scheme 2. Synthesis of compounds 10–13. Reagents and conditions: (a) 5.0 equiv of MeC(OMe)₃, PhMe, 80 °C, 8 h, 98%; (b) 1.1 equiv of N₃(CH₂)₂OTBS, 0.1 equiv of TBAF, 4Å MS, DMF, 25 °C, 4h, 73%; (c) 2.0 equiv of LiOH·H₂O, dioxane:H₂O (3:1), 25 °C, 4h, 99%; (d) 1.0 equiv of DCC, 0.2 equiv of 4-DMAP, CH₂CL₂, 25 °C, 4h, 82%; (e) 50% TFA in CH₂Cl₂, 25 °C, 2h, 84%; (f) 1.1 equiv of PhSO₂Cl or 1-NaphSO₂Cl, 1.3 equiv of *i*-Pr₂NEt, CH₂Cl₂, 25 °C, 4h, **38a** (78%), or **38b** (57%); (g) 2.0 equiv of Ph₃P, 44 equiv of H₂O, THF, 25 °C, 12 h, 80%, ca. 1:1 of **35a:35b**; 80%, ca. 1:1 of **39a:41a**: 81%, ca. 1:1 of **39b:41b**; (h) 2.0 equiv of LiOH·H₂O, THF:H₂O (3:1), 25 °C, 4h, 93–99% for **36ab**, **40ab**, **42a**; (i) 1.1 equiv of 1*H*-pyrazole-1-carboxamidine·HCl, 1.1 equiv of *i*-Pr₂NEt, DMF, 25 °C, 16 h, 13–15% for **10**, **11**, **13**: 50 °C, 16 h, 5% for **12**, after RP-HPLC. TFA = trifluoroacetic acid; TBAF = tetra-*n*-butyl-ammonium fluoride; DCC = 1,3-dicyclohexylcarbodiimide.

Pd/C catalyst in MeOH led to 1,2-diamine **70** (90%), which reacted with phenylisothiocyanate in EtOH to afford thiourea **71** (69% yield). Treatment of **71** with HgCl₂ and Et₃N in DMF at ambient temperature gave guanidine **72** in 81% yield. Cleavage of the *tert*-butyl ester in **72** with TFA in CH₂Cl₂ then led to the targeted compound **22** (88% yield, after RP-HPLC purification).

Biological evaluation

In integrin inhibition assays, the nitroaryl ether mimetics revealed high activity and selectivity (Table 1). Compound 1 had an IC₅₀ of 3 nM on $\alpha_v\beta_3$, 1.8 mM on $\alpha_v\beta_5$ and 6.4 mM on $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$. The nitroaryl compounds 10–21 (Fig. 3) were all essentially inactive on



Scheme 3. Synthesis of guanidine derivatives 51–56. Reagents and conditions: (a) 1.0 equiv of BtBMTP, 2.0 equiv of Et₃N, 1.0 equiv of HgCl₂, DMF, 25 °C, 4h, 98%; (b) 1.0 equiv of BtBMTP, DMF, 25 °C, 14h, 95%; (c) 1.0 equiv of BtBCT, 2.0 equiv of Et₃N, DMF, 25 dC, 14h, 60%; (d) 0.2 equiv of BtBMTP, 0.4 equiv of Et₃N, 0.2 equiv of HgCl₂, DMF, 25 °C, 4h, 51%; (e) 0.66 equiv of o-NH₂C₆H₄NH₂, 5.5 N aq HCl, reflux, 24h, 73%; (f) 1.0 equiv of DmPD·HBr, *i*-Pr₂NEt, DMF, 25 °C, 11h, 51%. Boc = *tert*-butoxy-carbonyl; BtBCT = *N*,*N*'-bis-*tert*-butoxycarbonylthiourea; BtBMTP = 1,3-bis(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-2-methyl-2-thiopseudourea; DmPD·HBr-2-(3,5-dimethylpyrazolyl)-4,5-dehydroimidazole hydrobromide.

 $\alpha_{v}\beta_{5}$, none having an IC₅₀ of below 1 μ M. Some were specific inhibitors of $\alpha_{v}\beta_{3}$ (e.g. compound **20**), others were mixed inhibitors of both $\alpha_{v}\beta_{3}$ and $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_{3}$ (e.g. compounds **15** and **18**) or $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_{3}$ -specific inhibitors (e.g. compound **19**). The degree of selectivity for $\alpha_{v}\beta_{3}$ over $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_{3}$ was up to two orders of magnitude (compound **20**), and thus comparable with selective peptidic inhibitors of $\alpha_{v}\beta_{3}$ (e.g. compound **1**), while monospecific $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_{3}$ inhibitors were also found (compound **12**). The activity of the compounds was high, the most potent (compound **20**) being a mixed $\alpha_{v}\beta_{3}/\alpha_{IIb}\beta_{3}$ inhibitor with an IC₅₀ in the picomolar range, more active than the highly active peptidic compound **1**.

The nitroaryl ether mimetics showed high activity and selectivity in the isolated integrin receptor assay and were, therefore, tested in a cell adhesion assay (Table 2). The IC₅₀ value for compound **1** as standard was 6.6 μ M for M21 cell adhesion to vitronectin (mediated predominantly by $\alpha_{\nu}\beta_3^{24}$). Inhibition of UCLA-P3 adhesion to vitronectin (mediated by $\alpha_{\nu}\beta_5^{24}$) resulted in an IC₅₀ value of 1.7 μ M. Inhibition of $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$ -mediated

adhesion of M21-L-IIb cells to fibrinogen did not reach an IC_{50} value at 100 μ M inhibitor.

Compounds 16 and 19 specifically inhibited $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$ mediated adhesion (IC₅₀= $0.014\,\mu$ M) and had essentially no effect on $\alpha_v\beta_3$ - and $\alpha_v\beta_5$ -mediated adhesion $(IC_{50} = 33-95 \mu M)$. Compounds 12 and 14 showed moderate IC₅₀ values on $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$ (0.13 and 0.2 μ M) and were at least two orders of magnitude less active in inhibiting $\alpha_{v}\beta_{3}$ - and $\alpha_{v}\beta_{5}$ -mediated adhesion. Compounds 15, 17, 18, and 21 had the highest activity on $\alpha_{v}\beta_{3}$ - and $\alpha_{v}\beta_{5}$ -mediated adhesion but also inhibited $\alpha_{\rm Hb}\beta_3$ -mediated adhesion very effectively. Compounds 10, 11, 13, 20 and 22 showed low or no activity on all three cell lines. Thus, the compounds found to be more active on isolated integrins were, in general, more active in whole cell assays. The difference in magnitude of concentration dependency can be ascribed to multivalent interactions in the case of the cells.

Selected compounds (11, 14 and 16) were tested in the chick chorioallantoic membrane (CAM) angiogenesis assay using bFGF as a cytokine.²³ The effects of these



Scheme 4. Synthesis of compounds 11 and 14–19. Reagents and conditions: (a) 1.2 equiv of (COCl)₂, PhH, DMF, 0 °C. 6 h, 99%; (b) 1.0 equiv of **29a** or **29b**, 1.2 equiv of Et₃N, CH₂Cl₂, 0 °C, 2 h, **58** (98%), or **59** (96%); (c) for **60**: 2.2 equiv of NaH, 2.2 equiv of **51**, DMF, 25 °C, 8 h, 66%; for **63**: 4.0 equiv of NaH, 1.2 equiv of **51**, DMF, 25 °C, 4 h, 69% (d) 1.1 equiv of **53**, DMF, 25 °C, 4 h, 73%; for **64**: 1.9 equiv of **53**, NMP, 25 °C, 99%; (e) for **65**: 2.2 equiv of NaH, 2.5 equiv of **54**, DMF, 25 °C, 12 h, 23%; (f) 1.1 equiv of **52**, DMF, 25 °C, 6 h, 83%; for **66**: 2.0 equiv of **52**, DMF, 25 °C, 20 h, 99%; (g) 50% TFA in CH₂Cl₂, 25 °C, 30 min, 90–99% for **11**, **14–19** after RP-HPLC. Boc = *tert*-butoxycarbonyl: TFA = trifluoroacetic acid; NMP = *N*-methyl-2-pyrrolidinone; DMF = dimethylformamide.

compounds, compound 1 and the inactive peptide cRBADFV (EM-601)⁴ are shown in Fig. 5. As seen from these data, compound 11 exhibited excellent inhibition at 30 µg/embryo, while 14 and 16 exhibited minimal inhibition of angiogenesis. Further details regarding these biological studies are included in the experimental section.

Conclusion

In this article we described the molecular design, chemical synthesis and biological investigation of a series of small organic molecules based on a nitroaryl ether scaffold. The synthesis of these compounds relied on a displacement of a fluoride from a nitroaryl system by nucleophiles carrying oxygen, sulfur or nitrogen atoms, followed by side-chain construction through amide and sulfonamide bond formations. The synthesized compounds exhibited varying degrees of inhibition of integrin-mediated cell adhesion with compounds **16** and **19** showing the most potent and selective preference for $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$ - versus $\alpha_v\beta_3$ - and $\alpha_v\beta_5$ -mediated adhesion. Furthermore, compound **11** proved to be an excellent inhibitor or angiogenesis at 30 µg/embryo in the chick



Scheme 5. Synthesis of compounds 20 and 21. Reagents and conditions: (a) 1.0 equiv of 55, 2.2 equiv of Et₃N, DMF, 25 °C, 16 h, 92%; (b) 50% TFA in CH₂Cl₂, 25 °C, 4 h, 97%; (c) 1.0 equiv of 56, 2.2 equiv of Et₃N, DMF, 12 h, 110% (crude yield); (d) 50% TFA in CH₂Cl₂ 25 °C, 4 h, 83% after RP-HPLC; TFA = trifluoroacetic acid; DMF = dimethylformamide.



Scheme 6. Synthesis of compound 22. Reagents and conditions: (a) NH₃, DMF, 25 °C, 5h, 93%; (b) 10% Pd/C, H₂, MeOH, 25 °C, 8h, 90%; (c) 1.1 equiv of PhNCS, EtOH, 14h, 69%; (d) 1.0 equiv of HgCl₂, 1.0 equiv of Et₃N, DMF, 4h, 81%; (e) 50% TFA in CH₂Cl₂, 30 min, 88% yield, after RP-HPLC. TFA = trifluroacetic acid; DMF = dimethylformamide.

chorioallantoic membrane (CAM) assay. It is expected that the use of some of these compounds as delivery systems may result in the beneficial localization of anticancer drugs to the tumor vasculature.²⁴ Further studies with these compounds is warranted and continued investigations in the field may prove beneficial in biology and medicine.

Experimental

Chemistry general techniques

All reactions were carried out under an argon atmosphere with dry, freshly distilled solvents under anhydrous conditions, unless otherwise noted. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) and diethyl ether (ether) were distilled from

	$\alpha_v \beta_3$		$\alpha_v \beta_5$		$\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$	
Compd	IC ₅₀ (M)	cQ	IC ₅₀ (M)	cQ	IC ₅₀ (M)	cQ
GRGDSPK	3.2E-07	1.0E + 02	>	9.9E + 01	6.0E-06	9.3E-01
1	3.1E-09	1.0E + 00	1.8E-06	1.0E + 00	6.4E-06	1.0E + 00
20	8.10E-10	2.06E-01	>		2.40E-08	3.70E-03
18	1.30E-09	4.00E-01	1.3E-06	7.00E-01	1.70E-11	2.70E-06
15	3.00E-09	9.80E-01	3.50E-06	1.90E + 00	1.30E-10	2.00E-05
17	3.80E-09	1.20E + 00	2.10E-06	1.20E + 00	3.60E-10	5.60E-05
21	9.5E-09	3.10E + 00	5.00E-06	2.80E + 00	9.00E-10	1.40E-04
14	3.90E-08	1.2E + 01	8.30E-06	4.60E + 00	6.7E-10	1.10 E-04
13	4.40E-08	1.40E + 01	>		1.40E-08	2.10E-03
16	9.30E-08	3.00E + 01	>		8.70E-10	1.40E-04
11	1.00E-07	3.30E + 01	>		1.20E-08	1.90E-03
10	4.00E-07	1.30E + 02	9.00E-06	5.00E + 00	2.10E-06	3.30E-01
19	4.80E-07	1.50E + 02	>		3.60E-11	5.60E-06
22	1.50E-06	4.70E + 02	>		6.50E-08	1.00E-02
12	1.90E-06	6.00E + 02	>		4.90E-10	7.60E-05

Table 1. Effect of compounds (10-21) on ligand interaction with integrins^a

^aBiotinylated ligands vitronectin ($\alpha_{\nu}\beta_3$ and $\alpha_{\nu}\beta_5$) or fibrinogen ($\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$) were allowed to bind to immobilized integrins in the presence of the compounds **10–21** (Fig. 3). The concentration necessary for half-maximal inhibition of ligand binding is shown. The peptide GRGDSPK and compound **1** were included for reference. The data were sorted by IC₅₀ (low to high) on $\alpha_{\nu}\beta_3$. The 'cQ' value designates the activity of the compound relative to the activity of compound **1**. The sign '>', indicates that the IC₅₀ had not been reached at the maximum concentration tested, (10 μ M).



Figure 5. Effect of compounds on bFGF induced CAM angiogenesis.

sodium-benzophenone, and methylene chloride (CH₂Cl₂), benzene (PhH), and toluene from calcium hydride. Anhydrous solvents were also obtained by passing them through commercially available activated alumina columns. Yields refer to chromatographically and spectroscopically (¹H NMR) homogeneous materials, unless otherwise stated. All solutions used in workup procedures were saturated unless otherwise noted. All reagents were purchased at highest commercial quality and used without further purification unless otherwise stated.

All reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography carried out on 0.25 mm E. Merck silica gel plates (60F-254) using UV light as visualizing agent and 7% ethanolic phosphomolybdic acid or *p*-anisaldehyde solution and heat as developing agents. E. Merck silica gel (60, particle size 0.040–0.063 mm) was used for flash column chromatography. Preparative thin-layer chromatography separations were carried out on 0.25, 0.50 or 1 mm E. Merck silica gel plates (60F-254). Reversephase HPLC was performed on a Waters Model 600E HPLC instrument utilizing a Vydac 218TP1022 column with detection at 254 nm using a 90:10–40:60 H₂O:CH₃CN+0.1% TFA gradient over 40 min.

NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker DRX-600, AMX-500, AMX-400 or AC-250 instruments and calibrated using residual undeuterated solvent as an internal reference. The following abbreviations were used to explain the multiplicities: s, singlet; d, doublet; t, triplet; q, quartet; m, multiplet; band, several overlapping signals; b, broad. IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 1600 series FT-IR spectrometer. High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a VG ZAB-ZSE mass spectrometer under fast atom bombardment (FAB) conditions. Electrospray mass spectra were recorded on a Perkin Elmer Science API III mass spectrometer.

Table 2. Effect of compounds (10-21) on cell adhesion^a

Compd	M21/VN ^b IC ₅₀ (M)	UCLA-P3/VN ^b IC ₅₀ (M)	M21-L-IIb/Fg ^b IC ₅₀ (M)
GRGDSPK	3.3E-05	4.0E-05	7.5E-05
1	6.6E-06	1.7E-06	>1.0E-04
15	1.3E-06	8.3E-07	1.5E-07
21	2.0E-06	6.0E-06	5.0E-07
18	3.3E-06	3.5E-06	2.0E-08
17	8.7E-06	1.8E-06	4.4E-08
14	1.1E-05	9.0E-06	1.3E-07
20	1.4E-05	4.0E-05	1.0E-05
13	4.0E-05	1.5E-05	2.5E-06
16	4.5E-05	3.3E-05	1.4E-08
10	6.0E-05	1.5E-05	4.5E-05
11	7.5E-05	4.5E-05	2.5E-06
19	9.5E-05	4.7E-05	1.4E-08
22	>1.0E-04	>1.0E-04	3.5E-05
12	>1.0E-04	5.0E-05	2.0E-07

^aCells (25000) were allowed to adhere to immobilized ligands in the presence of the compounds as described in the text. The concentration resulting in half-maximal inhibition of cell adhesion (IC₅₀) is shown. The data were sorted by IC₅₀ (low to high) on $\alpha_v\beta_3$ mediated adhesion of M21 cells.

^bM21 cell line expresses $\alpha_{v}\beta_{3}/\alpha_{v}\beta_{5}$ (10:1), UCLA-P3 expresses $\alpha_{v}\beta_{5}$, M21-L-IIb expresses $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_{3}$, VN = vitronectin; Fg = fibrinogen.

Preparation of amino acid derivatives 26, 29a, and 29b

Compound 25. To a solution of *t*-butoxycarbonyl-(L)asparagine 24 (12.6 g, 50 mol) in MeOH (200 mL) was added water (20 mL). The solution was neutralized with a 20% aqueous solution of Cs_2CO_3 (57 mL) and then evaporated to dryness. The resulting residue was taken up in DMF (50 mL) and then azeotropically dried by evaporation to dryness. The cesium salt was then taken up in DMF (125mL) followed by addition of benzyl bromide (6.5 mL, 55 mmol). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 6h, evaporated to dryness and the residue triturated with water (500 mL). The solid was dissolved in ethyl acetate (150 mL) and the organic phase was washed with water (75 mL), dried over Na₂SO₄ and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The crude ester was recrystallized from ethyl acetate/hexane to give 25 (15.1 g, 88%) as a colorless solid. IR (KBr): V_{max} 3401, 3349, 3204, 2982, 2935, 1741, 1688, 1657, 1524, 1293, 1169, 1055 $\rm cm^{-1};\ ^1H$ NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.36-7.32 (m, 5H, Ph), 5.73 (d, J=8.5 Hz, 1H, NHCO₂), 5.59 (bs, 1H, CONHH), 5.40 (bs, 1H, CONHH), 5.20 (d, J=12.5 Hz, 1H, CHHPh), 5.17 (d, J=12.5 Hz, 1H, CH*H*Ph), 4.56 (ddd, *J*=4.0, 5.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H, C*H*CH₂), 2.95 (dd, J = 5.0, 16.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 2.76 (dd, $J=4.0, 16.5 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{CHC} H\text{H}), 1.42 \text{ (s, 9H, } {}^{t}\text{Bu}\text{)}; {}^{13}\text{C}$

Compound 26. To a stirred solution of bis[trifluoroacetoxy]phenyl iodine (2.0 g, 4.7 mmol) in DMF:H₂O (12 mL:12 mL) compound 25 (1.0 g, 3.1 mmol) was added at room temperature. After 15 min, pyridine (0.5 mL, 6.2 mmol) was added and stirring was continued for 3 h. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue dissolved in water (30 mL). The solution was washed with ether and the aqueous layer was basified with 1 N NaOH and extracted with dichloromethane. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give an oily residue. Purification by flash column chromatography (10% MeOH in CH₂Cl₂) gave amine 26 as a yellow oil (0.37 g, 41%). $R_f = 0.11$ (2.5% methanol in ethyl acetate); IR (thin film): V_{max} 3366, 3313, 3064, 2979, 2934, 1688, 1518, 1501, 1456, 1393, 1368, 1324, 1254, 1204, 1166, 1055, 1002, 838, 800, 743, 692 cm^{-1} ; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.36– 7.28 (m, 5H, Ph), 6.36 (bm, 2H, NH₂), 6.06 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, NHCO₂), 5.18 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CHHPh), 5.13 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, CHHPh), 4.52–4.43 (bm, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.35 (bdd, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.24 (bdd, J = 6.5, 12.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 1.32 (s, 9H, ^tBu); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.0, 155.9, 134.8, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 80.6, 67.7, 52.9, 41.6, 28.0; FAB-HRMS $(M+H^+)$ calcd 295.1658, found 295.1650.

Compound 27a. To a solution of (L)-asparagine (23) (10.00 g, 75.7 mmol) in H₂O:dioxane (50 mL:50 mL) was added NaOH (3.40 g, 85.0 mmol) at 0 °C. After 15 min at 0°C, phenylsulfonylchloride (10.6 mL, 84.0 mmol) was added followed by addition of a solution of NaOH (3.40 g, 85.0 mmol) in H₂O (50 mL) at 0°C. After 30 min, the cooling bath was removed and the solution was concentrated to ca. 50 mL under reduced pressure. The aqueous phase was extracted with ethyl acetate $(2 \times 50 \text{ mL})$. The aqueous layer was acidified at $0 \degree C$ with concd aqueous HCl (pH \approx 1) while the protected amino acid precipitated. The resulting solid was collected by filtration and washed with H₂O (20 mL). Overnight drying in an oven at ca. 50 °C gave 27a as a colorless solid (14.6 g, 71%). The crude product was used without further purification. IR (KBr): V_{max} 3495, 3338, 3260, 1723, 1648, 1578, 1449, 1325, 1261, 1202, 1166, 1086 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 7.88– 7.86 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.60–7.57 (m, 1H, Ph), 7.54–7.51 (m, 2H, Ph), 4.23 (t, 1H, J=6.0 Hz, CHCO₂H), 2.66 (dd, 1H, J = 6.0, 15.5 Hz, $CHH(C = O)NH_2$), 2.60 (dd, J=6.0, 15.5 Hz, CH $H(C=O)NH_2$; ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, methanol-d₄): δ 174.3, 173.6, 142.1, 133.7, 130.0, 128.2, 53.9, 39.6; FAB-HRMS $(M+H^+)$ calcd 273.0545, found 273.0540.

Compound 27b. Compound 27b was prepared by the same procedure as for 27a. Crude yield: 16.06 g (66%). IR (KBr): V_{max} 3424, 3289, 2925, 1851, 1713, 1673, 1502, 1399, 1333, 1258, 1223, 1191, 1159, 1127, 1075, $1023, 964, 866, 822, 794, 714, 669, 638, 548, 477 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-1};$ ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 8.40 (d, J=1.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 8.15 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 1H, NHSO₂), 8.12 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 8.07 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 8.01 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.81 (dd, J=1.5, 8.8 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.68 (ddd, J=1.5, 6.8,7.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.64 (ddd, J=1.5, 6.8, 7.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.33 (bs, 1H, CONHH), 6.87 (bs, 1H, CONHH), 4.16 (bm, 1H, CHCH₂), 2.47 (dd, J=7.0, 15.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH) 2.28 (dd, J=6.5, 15.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 172.0, 170.5, 138.4, 134.1, 131.6, 129.2, 129.0, 128.6, 127.8, 127.4, 127.1, 122.6, 52.5, 38.0; FAB-HRMS (M+H⁺) calcd 323.0702, found 323.0708.

Compound 28a. To a round-bottom flask equipped with a magnetic stirring bar was added an aqueous solution of NaOH (11.15 g, 280.0 mmol) in water (50 mL) and cooled to 0°C. Bromine (2.60 mL, 50.0 mmol) was added dropwise within 5 min and the reaction mixture was stirred for a further 5 min at this temperature. A solution of the protected amino acid 27a (10.44 g, 38.0 mmol) in a solution of NaOH (3.10 g, 70.0 mmol, 30 mL H₂O) was added in one portion at 0 °C. Stirring was continued at this temperature for 20 min and upon removal of the cooling bath the reaction mixture was heated to 90 °C for an additional 30 min. After cooling to 0°C the pH of the reaction mixture was adjusted to 7 with concentrated and 1 M aqueous HCl. The resulting colourless precipitate was collected by filtration. The residue was washed with water, dried overnight in an oven at ca. 50 °C to give 28a as a colorless solid (6.95 g, 75%). The crude product was used without further purification. IR (KBr): V_{max} 3509, 3299, 3058, 2936, 1636, 1596, 1522, 1446, 1413, 1355, 1340, 1300, 1246, 1163, 1094, 1028, 924 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-d₆): δ 7.84–7.82 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.66–7.63 (m, 1H, Ph), 7.60–7.56 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.58 (bm, 1H, NHSO₂Ph), 3.35 (bs, 2H, NH₂), 3.17 (dd, J=4.5, 9.5 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.01 (dd, J=2.5, 12.0 Hz, 1H, CHH), 2.80 (dd, J = 9.5, 12.0 Hz, 1H, CHH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 169.4, 139.1, 132.7, 129.2, 126.8, 52.7, 41.7; FAB-HRMS (M+Na⁺) calcd 245.0596, found 245.0599.

Compound 28b. Compound **28b** was prepared by the same procedure as for **28a**. Crude yield (11.88 g, 81%) as a beige-coloured solid. IR (KBr): V_{max} 3338, 3241, 3056, 2831, 2601, 1651, 1604, 1513, 1463, 1404, 1382, 1335, 1151, 1076, 1039, 985, 955, 931, 913, 855, 814, 787, 749, 657, 618, 550, 480 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 8.48 (bs, 1H, naphthyl), 8.16–8.10 (2 bd,

2H, naphthyl), 8.04 (d, J=8.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.85 (dd, J=2.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.70 (ddd, J=1.5, 7.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.66 (ddd, J=1.0, 7.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.45 (bm, 1H, NHSO₂), 3.54–3.19 (bm, 2H, NH₂), 3.23 (dd, superimposed, J=4.5, 9.5 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.04 (dd, J=4.5, 12.0 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 2.83 (dd, J=9.5, 12.0 Hz, 1H, CHCHH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 169.3, 136.1, 134.3, 131.6, 129.4, 129.2, 128.9, 128.0, 127.8, 127.6, 122.5, 52.7, 41.6; FAB-HRMS (M+H⁺) calcd 295.0753, found 295.0761

Compound 29a. A sealed tube equipped with a magnetic stirring bar was charged with 28a (4.88g, 20.0 mmol) and 75 mL of anhydrous dimethoxyethane. After addition of 3.0 mL of concd H₂SO₄ the reaction mixture was cooled to $-78 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$ under an atmosphere of argon and 40 mL of isobutylene was condensed into the sealed tube. After sealing the cooling bath was removed and the reaction mixture was stirred for 48 h at room temperature. The reaction mixture was poured into 100 mL of ice water. The aqueous solution was extracted with diethyl ether (40 mL) and then the pH of the aqueous phase adjusted to 12-13 with 6 N aqueous NaOH. The free amine was extracted with ethyl acetate $(4 \times 50 \text{ mL})$ and the combined organic extracts were washed successively with saturated aqueous NaHCO3 solution (50 mL), 5% aqueous KHSO₄ solution (50 mL) and brine (50 mL). The organic phase was dried over MgSO₄, filtrated and the solvent removed in vacuo to give 29a (3.32g, 55.5%) as an off-white solid. The crude product was used without further purification. $R_f = 0.27$ (silica gel, ethyl acetate); IR (KBr): V_{max} 3372, 3295, 2981, 2932, 1726, 1452, 1337, 1261, 1161, 1094, 945, 898, 845, 753 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.86-7.84 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.58–7.54 (m, 1H, Ph), 7.51–7.48 (m, 1H, Ph), 3.76 (dd, J=4.0, 5.5 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.02 (dd, J=9.0, 13.0 Hz, 1H, CHH), 2.88 (dd, J=5.5,13.0 Hz, 1H, CHH), 1.27 (s, 9H, ^tBu); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 169.3, 139.7, 132.8, 129.1, 127.2, 82.8, 58.8, 44.9, 27.7; FAB-HRMS $(M+H^+)$ calcd 301.1222, found 301.1211.

Compound 29b. Compound **29b** was prepared by the same procedure as for **29a**. Crude yield: 4.56 g (51%) as an off-white solid. R_f =0.25 (silica gel, ethyl acetate +2% Et₃N); IR (KBr): V_{max} 3360, 3264, 3057, 2981, 2935, 2873, 2747, 1731, 1588, 1501, 1455, 1339, 1254, 1220, 1157, 1076, 952, 926, 823, 782, 747, 663, 619, 552, 481 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.40 (bs, 1H, naphthyl), 7.92 (bd, J=8.5 Hz, 2H, naphthyl), 7.86 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.82 (dd, J=1.5, 8.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.64–7.55 (2×ddd, superimposed, J=1.0, 7.0, 8.5 Hz, 2H, naphthyl), 3.84 (dd, J=4.2, 5.8 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.03 (dd, J=4.2, 13.4 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 2.88 (dd, J=5.8,

13.4 Hz, 1H, CHCH*H*), 1.08 (s, 9H, 'Bu); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 169.2, 136.3, 134.9, 132.0, 129.5, 129.2, 128.9, 128.6, 127.8, 127.5, 122.4, 82.9, 58.6, 44.6, 27.5; FAB-HRMS (M+H⁺) calcd 351.1379, found 351.1371.

Preparation of compounds 10–13

Compound 31. To a suspension of the acid **30** (5.0 g, 27 mmol) in toluene was added trimethylorthoacetate (17 mL, 135 mmol). The mixture was heated to 80 °C for 12 h and the solvent removed under reduced pressure to give **31** as a colorless solid (5.26 g, 98%). R_f =0.46 (silica gel, 25% ethyl acetate in hexane); IR (KBr): V_{max} 3061, 2960, 1714, 1614, 1542, 1438, 1351, 1297, 1262, 1233, 1130, 871, 755 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.74 (dd, ⁴*J* (¹H-¹H) = 2.0 Hz, ⁴*J* (¹H-¹⁹F) = 7.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.32 (ddd, ⁴*J*(¹H-¹H) = 2.0 Hz, ⁴*J* (¹H-¹⁹F) = 4.5 Hz, ³*J*(¹H-¹H) = 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 164.1, 159.1, 156.9, 136.5, 127.8, 118.8, 118.7, 52.9; FAB-HRMS (M+H⁺) calcd 200.0281, found 200.0286.

Compound 32. To a solution of 31 (4.0 g, 20 mmol) in DMF (10 mL) were added ca. 4 g of 4 Å molecular sieves and 4.46 g (0.22 mmol) of N₃(CH₂)₂OTBS at room temperature. After 10 min, 2 mL (2.0 mmol) of a 1 M solution of TBAF in THF was added. The mixture was stirred for 4h at room temperature and then filtered through a short path of celite[®]. The filtrate was taken up in ethyl acetate (100 mL) and successively washed with water, saturated aqueous NaHCO3-solution and brine. The organic extract was dried over MgSO₄, filtered and the solvent removed under reduced pressure to give a yellow oil. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 40% ethyl acetate in hexanes) gave 32 as a yellow solid (3.85 g, 73%). $R_f = 0.35$ (silica gel, 40%) ethyl acetate in hexanes); IR (KBr): V_{max} 2950, 2938, 2114, 1713, 1620, 1536, 1438, 1349, 1303, 1276, 1247, 1161, 1136, 918, 760 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.54 (d, J=2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.22 (dd, J=2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.13 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.32 (t, J = 5.0 Hz, 2H, OCH₂), 3.94 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 3.71 (t, J = 5.0 Hz, 2H, CH₂N₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 164.7, 154.7, 135.3, 127.3, 123.3, 114.0, 68.8, 52.5, 49.7; FAB-HRMS $(M + Na^+)$ calcd 289.0549, found 289.0553.

Compound 33. To a solution of **32** (3.85 g, 14.0 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane:water (90 mL:30 mL) was added LiOH·H₂O (1.2 g, 28 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h and then 40 mL of a saturated aqueous NH₄Cl-solution was added. The organic solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give a yellow slush. The slush was taken up in water and acidified with aqueous 1 M KHSO₄-solution. The aqueous layer

was then extracted with CH₂Cl₂ ($3 \times 70 \text{ mL}$). The combined organic extracts were dried over MgSO₄, filtered and the solvent removed under reduced pressure to give **33** as a yellow solid (3.50 g, 99%). R_f =0.10 (silica gel, 60% ethyl acetate in hexanes); IR (KBr): V_{max} 3087, 2964, 2877, 2659, 2539, 2120, 1699, 1616, 1534, 1429, 1359, 1282, 1163, 1138, 1079, 1039, 1002, 929, 847, 763, 687, 642, 546 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 8.40 (d, J=2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.22 (dd, J=2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.37 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.37 (t, J=4.5 Hz, 2H, OCH₂), 3.67 (t, J=5.0 Hz, 2H, CH₂N₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 167.4, 156.0, 140.9, 136.4, 127.9, 124.9, 115.7, 70.3, 51.1; FAB-HRMS (M+Na⁺) calcd 275.0392, found 275.0395.

Compound 34. To a solution of amine **26** (0.33 g, 1.10 mmol) and acid **33** (0.286 g, 1.10 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (30 mL) was added a catalytic amount of 4-DMAP (0.03 g, 0.22 mol) and DCC (0.26 g, 1.1 mol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 h at this temperature and the precipated dicyclohexyl urea was then filtered and the filtrate washed successively with water, saturated aqueous NaHCO₃-solution and brine. The organic solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give an oil which after purification by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 60% ethyl acetate in hexanes) gave amide 34 as a yellow solid (2.48 g, 82%). $R_f = 0.28$ (silica gel, 60% ethyl acetate in hexanes); IR (KBr): V_{max} 3343, 2977, 2933, 2112, 1738, 1710, 1619, 1531, 1498, 1366, 1333, 1280, 1161, 1084, 1047 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.23 (d, J=2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.98 (dd, J=2.0, 11.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.40 (bt, 1H, NHCO), 7.39–7.31 (m, 5H, Ph), 7.09 (d, J=11.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 5.67 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 1H, NHCO₂), 5.21 (s, 2H, CH₂Ph), 4.60–4.50 (bm, 1H, CHCH₂), 4.30 (t, J=6.0 Hz, 2H, OCH₂), 3.95–3.85 (bm, 1H, CHCHH), 3.78-3.70 (bm, superimposed, 1H, CHCHH), 3.70 (t, $J = 6.0 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}, C\text{H}_2\text{N}_3), 1.43 \text{ (s, 9H, } {}^{t}\text{Bu}\text{)}; {}^{13}\text{C} \text{ NMR}$ (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 170.0, 164.9, 153.8, 139.8, 135.0, 133.0, 128.7, 128.6, 126.9, 124.6, 114.3, 81.0, 68.8, 67.9, 49.8, 33.8, 28.2, 25.5, 24.8; FAB-HRMS $(M+Cs^+)$ calcd 661.1023, found 661.1050.

Compounds 35ab. To a solution of the azide **34** (50 mg, 0.095 mmol) in a mixture of THF:H₂O (8 mL THF: 0.04 mL H₂O) was added triphenylphosphine (50 mg, 0.19 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 14 h and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. Purification of the crude residue by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 20% methanol in dichloromethane) gave two major fractions (total yield 80%). Fraction 1: 17 mg (yellowish oil, 40%); fraction 2: 17 mg (yellowish oil, 40%). Fraction 1 was positive in ninhydrin test while fraction 2 was negative. Fraction 1 **35a** R_f =0.48 (silica gel, 20% methanol in dichloromethane); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.22

(m, 1H, Ar), 7.94 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.43–7.30 (m, 6H), 7.07 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 5.80 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H, NHBoc), 5.19 (s, 2H, CH₂Ph), 4.54 (bm, 1H, CHNHBoc), 4.21 (bm, 2H, CH₂OAr), 3.87–3.76 (m, 2H), 3.19 (s, 2H, CH₂NH₂), 2.75 (bs, 2H, NH₂), 1.41 (s, 9H, 'Bu); FAB-HRMS $(M+H^+)$ calcd 503.2142, found 503.2162. Fraction 2 **35b**: $R_f = 0.86$ (silica gel, 20% methanol in dichloromethane); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.46 (m, 1H, Ar), 8.42 (t, J=6.5 Hz, 1H, NHAr), 7.79 (dd, J=2.5, 11.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.38-7.28 (m, 5H, Ar), 7.21 (m, 1H, NHCO), 6.80 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 5.85 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, NHBoc),5.19 (s, 2H, CH₂Ph), 4.53 (m, 1H, CHNHBoc), 3.92 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂OH), 3.88–3.73 (m, 2H, CH₂NH(CO)), 3.52–3.38 (m, 2H, CH₂NHAr), 1.41 (s, 9H, ^tBu); FAB-HRMS (M+Cs⁺) calcd 635.118, found 635.110.

Compound 10. To a solution of **35a** (0.023 g, 0.046 mmol) in a mixture of THF:H₂O (6 mL:2 mL) was added LiOH·H₂O (4 mg, 0.092 mmol) at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 4 h and then acidified with acetic acid. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue used in the next step without further purification. To a solution of the crude acid in 2 mL of anhydrous DMF was added N,N-diisopropylethylamine (9 mL, 0.05 mmol) and 1H-pyrazole carboxamidine·HCl (8 mg, 0.05 mmol). After 16 h, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by RP-HPLC (C-18) to give 10 (3.25 mg, 13%) as a yellowish solid. $t_{\rm R} = 20.5$ min; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, D_2O): δ 8.33 (d, 1H, J = 2.0 Hz, Ar), 7.98 (dd, 1H, J=2.0, 9.0 Hz, Ar), 7.30 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.42 (m, 1H, CHNHBoc), 4.34 (t, J=4.0 Hz, 2H, $CH_2NH(CO)$), 3.82 (m, 2H, NH_2 (C=NH) NHC H_2), 3.63 (t, 2H, J=4.0 Hz, 2H, C H_2 O); FAB-HRMS $(M + Cs^+)$ calcd 587.0866, found 587.0895.

Compound 37. To a solution of **34** (0.10 g, 0.019 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (4mL) at room temperature was added trifluoroacetic acid (4 mL). The mixture was stirred for 2 h. The solvent was removed in vacuo to give a yellowish oil, which after flash chromatography (silica, 5% methanol in dichloromethane) gave 37 as an oil (0.07 g, 84%). $R_f = 0.19$ (silica, 5% methanol in dichloromethane); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.21 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.95 (dd, J = 2.0, 11.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.39-7.29 (m, 5H, Ar), 7.21 (bm, 1H), 7.05 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (s, 2H, CH₂Ph), 4.27 (t, J = 5.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2OAr), 3.67 (t, J = 5.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2N_3), 3.95-3.78 (bm, 1H, CHNH₂), 3.65-3.52 (bm, 1H, CHCHH), 4.32–4.31 (bm, 1H, CHCHH); ¹³C (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 164.9, 153.7, 139.2, 135.1, 133.1, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 127.0, 124.6, 114.2, 68.7, 67.4, 49.7, 33.8, 25.5; FAB-HRMS $(M+Cs^+)$ calcd 561.0499, found 561.0507.

Compound 38a. To a solution of 37 (0.13 g, 0.30 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was added N,N-diisopropylethylamine (0.07 mL, 0.39 mmol) and benzenesulfonyl chloride (0.034 mL, 0.33 mmol) at room temperature. After 4 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) and water (10 mL). The layers were seperated and the organic layer washed with a saturated solution of sodium bicarbonate and brine and dried (MgSO₄). The solvent was removed in vacuo to give an oil, which after preparative thin-layer chromatography (silica, 60%) ether in hexanes) gave 38a as an oil (0.13 g, 78%). $R_f = 0.43$ (silica, 60% ether in hexane); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.26 (d, J=2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.98 (dd, J=2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.81 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 2H,Ar), 7.53 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, Ph), 7.42 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ph), 7.31–7.30 (m, 3H, Ar), 7.22–7.21 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.08 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.03 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H, PhCHH), 4.99 (d, J = 12.0 Hz, 1H,PhCHH), 4.29 (t, J=4.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂O), 4.16 (dd, J=4.0, 7.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.92-3.87 (m, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.72–3.67 (m, superimposed, 3 H, CHCHH, CH₂N₃); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 169.2, 165.2, 153.7, 139.3, 138.7, 134.3, 133.1, 132.9, 129.1, 128.4, 128.3, 126.9, 126.5, 124.9, 114.1, 68.7, 68.1, 55.4, 49.7, 42.4; FAB-HRMS $(M + Cs^+)$ calcd 701.0431, found 701.0442.

Compound 38b. Compound 38b was prepared by the same procedure as for 38a. Yield (0.031 g, 57%) as an oil. $R_f = 0.18$ (5% methanol in dichloromethane); IR (thin film): V_{max} 3277, 2930, 2112, 1740, 1652, 1618, 1523, 1496, 1348, 1280, 1162, 1125, 984, 910, 772 cm^{-1} . ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.60 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 8.21 (dd, J=2.0, 9.3 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 8.03 (d, J=2.9 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.01 (d, J=10.4 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.87 (d, J=9.3 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.81 (dd, J = 2.9, 11.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.62 (ddd, J = 1.7, 8.7, 8.7 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.54 (ddd, J=1.3, 8.8, 8.8 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.47 (dd, J=9.4, 10.1 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.28-7.22 (m, 3H, Ph), 7.12-7.07 (m, 2H, Ph), 6.98 (d, J=11.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 6.69 (dd, J=7.5 Hz, 1H, NHCO), 6.22 (d, J = 9.5 Hz, 1H, NHSO₂), 4.89 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H, CHHPh), 4.83 (d, J=15.0 Hz, 1H, CHHPh), 4.25 $(t, J = 6.0 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}, \text{OCH}_2), 4.13 \text{ (ddd}, J = 5.4, 9.4, 9.5 \text{ Hz},$ 1H, CHCH₂), 3.74 (ddd, J = 5.4, 7.4, 17.5 Hz, 1H, CHC*H*H), 3.69 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H, CH₂N₃), 3.67 (ddd, superimposed, J=7.5, 9.0, 17.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 169.3, 165.1, 153.7, 139.1, 134.8, 134.4, 134.0, 133.5, 132.9, 129.9, 129.0, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 127.7, 126.3, 124.8, 124.1, 114.0, 68.7, 67.9, 55.7, 49.8, 42.2; FAB-HRMS(M+Cs⁺) calcd 751.0587, found 751.0599.

Compounds 39a and 41a. Compounds **39a** and **41** were prepared by the same procedure as for **35ab**. Yield: (F1=0.029 g, F2=0.028 g), total yield (80%). F2 was

positive in ninhydrin test while F1 was not. R_f (F1) 41a = 0.39 (silica, 10% methanol in dichloromethane); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.35 (bs, 1H, Ar), 8.31 (bs, 1H, CH₂NHAr), 7.76–7.60 (m, superimposed, 3H, Ar), 7.50 (bs, 1H), 7.38 (t, J=9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.28 (t, J=9.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.26-7.13 (m, 5H, Ar), 6.86 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 6.64 (d, $J = 11.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{NHSO}_2$), 4.92 (d, J=15.0 Hz, 1H, PhCHH), 4.86 (d, J=15.0 Hz, 1H, PhCHH), 4.26-4.23 (m, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.80-3.67 (m, superimposed, 4H, HOCH₂, CHCH₂), 3.34-3.31(bm, CH_2 NHAr), 2.92 (bs, CH_2OH); R_f (F2) **39a** = 0.16 (silica, 20% methanol in dichloromethane); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.24 (bs, 1H, Ar), 7.94 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.80 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.49 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1 H, Ph), 7.40 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2 H, Ph), 7.30 ---7.28 (m, 3H, Ar), 7.19-7.18 (m, superimposed, 3H, Ar, NH(CO)), 7.02 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 5.01 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H, PhCHH), 4.97 (d, J = 12.5 Hz, 1H,PhCHH), 4.18–4.15 (m, superimposed, 3H, CHCH₂, OCH₂), 3.86-3.84 (m, 1H, CHCHH), 3.70-3.68 (m, 1H, CHCHH), 3.15–3.13 (bm, 2H, OCH₂NH₂), 2.82 (bm, 2H, NH₂); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 169.5, 165.4, 154.4, 139.9, 138.8, 134.4, 133.0, 132.8, 129.0, 138.5, 128.4, 127.0, 126.3, 125.0, 114.1, 71.4, 68.0, 55.4, 42.3, 40.7; FAB-HRMS $(M + Cs^+)$ calcd 675.0526, found 675.0546.

Compound 11. Compound **11** was prepared by the same procedure as for **10.** Yield: (3.31 mg, 13%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 8.26 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.04 (dd, J = 2.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.82–7.80 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.47–7.36 (m, 4H, Ar, Ph), 4.35 (t, J = 5.0 Hz, 2H, OCH₂), 4.19 (dd, J = 4.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.75 (dd, J = 4.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.68 (t, J = 5.0 Hz, 2H, CH₂NH(C=N)), 3.47 (dd, J = 11.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H, CHCHH).

Compound 12. To a solution of the benzyl ester 41a (0.10 g, 0.22 mmol) in THF:H₂O (3 mL:1 mL) was added LiOH·H₂O (18.5 mg, 0.44 mmol) at room temperature. After stirring for 4h, the reaction mixture was acidified with acetic acid and the solvent removed in vacuo to give the crude acid 42a. To a solution of the acid 42a in DMF (5 mL) was added N,N-diisopropylethylamine (38 mL, 0.22 mmol). After stirring at 50 °C for 16 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo to give an oil, which after RP-HPLC (C-18) gave 12 (5.4 mg, 5%) as a yellowish solid. $t_{\rm R} = 14.9$ min; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.26 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1 H, Ar), 7.67 - 7.65 (m, 2 H, Ph), 7.64 (dd,J = 2.0, 9.0 Hz, Ar), 7.24–7.18 (m, 3H, Ph), 7.06 (d, J=9.0 Hz, Ar), 4.49 (t, J=4.0 Hz, 2H, CH₂OH), 4.15 (dd, J=6.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.86 (t, J=4.0 Hz, 2H, $CH_2N(C=NH)NH_2$), 3.70 (dd, J=6.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.35 (dd, J=10.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H, CHCH*H*); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 167.6, 164.9, 147.2, 141.7, 132.4, 130.5, 129.6, 127.7, 126.8, 125.6,

125.5, 122.2, 112.5, 70.4, 42.6, 28.7, 23.2. Electrospray mass spectrum $(M + H^+)$ calcd 495, found 495.

Compound 39b. To a solution of the azide **38b** (0.031 g, 0.05 mmol) in THF:H₂O (8 mL:0.04 mL) was added triphenylphosphine (0.026 g, 0.1 mmol). After stirring at room temperature for 12h, the solvent was removed in vacuo to give a white solid. The solid was purifed by preparative thin-layer chromatography (silica, 20%) methanol in dichloromethane) to give 39b as an oil (0.013 g, 44%). $R_f = 0.1$ (silica gel, 10% methanol in dichloromethane); IR (thin film): V_{max} 3361, 3282, 3070, 2922, 2851, 1742, 1650, 1620, 1527, 1456, 1349, 1322, 1280, 1162, 1126, 989, 910 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.63 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 8.17 (dd, J=1.0, 9.1 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 8.02 (d, J=2.5 Hz, 1H,Ar), 7.92 (d, J=10.3 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.77 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.72 (dd, J = 2.6, 11.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.58 (dd, J = 8.3, 8.3 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.49 (dd, J=7.3, 7.3 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.41 (dd, J=7.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.23-7.16 (m, 3H, Ph), 7.09-7.04 (m, 2H, Ph), 6.84 (d, J=11.1 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.83 (d, J=15.2 Hz, 1H, CHHPh), 4.76 (d, J=15.2 Hz, 1H, CH*H*Ph), 4.23 (dd, *J*=5.8, 9.1 Hz, 1H, C*H*CH₂), 4.10– 4.04 (bm, 2H, OCH₂), 3.95–3.61 (bm, 5H, CH₂NH₂, CHCHH), 3.18–3.05 (bm, 1H, CHCHH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 169.6, 165.3, 154.2, 146.9, 134.6, 134.5, 134.0, 133.9, 133.2, 129.8, 129.0, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.8, 127.0, 125.9, 124.9, 124.2, 124.1, 114.3, 67.6, 55.9, 42.0, 40.5, 29.6; FAB-HRMS $(M + Cs^+)$ calcd 725.0682, found 725.0695.

Compound 13. Compound **13** was prepared by the same procedure as for **10.** Yield: (1.8 mg, 15%) as a yellowish solid. $t_{\rm R}$ = 21.2 min; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 8.63 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 8.17 (dd, J = 1.5, 7.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.94 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.88 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.76–7.70 (m, superimposed, 2H, Ar, naphthyl), 7.57 (ddd, J = 1.0, 6.5, 9.3 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.47 (dd, J = 7.5, 8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.42 (ddd, J = 1.0, 7.0, 7.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.25 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.36 (t, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂O), 4.18 (dd, J = 4.5, 9.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.72 (t, J = 5.0 Hz, 2H, CH₂NH), 3.65 (dd, J = 4.5, 13.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.41 (dd, J = 9.5, 13.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH); Electrospray mass spectrum calcd (M + H⁺) 545, found 545.

Preparation of compounds 51-56

Compound 51. To a solution of aminoethanol (**43**) (1.0 mL, 16.0 mmol) in DMF (30 mL) was added 1,3-bis-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-2-methyl-2-thiopseudourea (**48**) (4.81 g, 16.0 mmol), triethylamine (4.63 mL, 32.0 mmol) and mercury(II) dichloride (4.48 g, 16.0 mmol) at room temperature. After 4 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate and filtered over a short path of celite[®]. The filtrate was succesively washed with water $(2 \times 20 \text{ mL})$, brine (20 mL) and dried over MgSO₄. After filtration and evaporation of the solvent under reduced pressure the crude compound was purified by flash column chromatography to give **51** as a colourless solid (4.95 g, 98%). R_f =0.43 (silica gel, 50% ethyl acetate in hexanes); IR (KBr): V_{max} 3329, 3142, 2977, 2934, 2870, 1724, 1644, 1443, 1412, 1360, 1299, 1103, 1052, 1027, 864, 809, 778 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 11.48 (bs, 1H, NHCO₂), 8.66 (m, 1H, CH₂NH), 4.54 (bs, 1H, OH), 3.74 (t, *J*=4.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂OH), 3.54 (dt, *J*=5.5, 5.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂NH), 1.47 (s, 9H, 'Bu), 1.45 (s, 9H, 'Bu); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.8, 157.4, 153.1, 83.5, 79.2, 63.1, 44.4, 28.2, 28.0; FAB-HRMS (M+H⁺) calcd 304.1872, found 304.1878.

Compound 52. To a solution of piperazine (44) (3.45 mL, 12.0 mmol) in DMF (10 mL) was added 1,3-bis-(tertbutoxycarbonyl)-2-methyl-2-thiopseudourea (48) (0.87 g, 3.00 mmol) at room temperature. After 14 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate and water. The layers were separated and the organic layer was washed succesively with water $(2 \times 20 \text{ mL})$, brine (20 mL) and dried over Na₂SO₄. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give 52 as a colorless solid (0.93 g, 95%). $R_f = 0.34$ (silica gel, 10% methanol in dichloromethane); IR (KBr): V_{max} 3294, 2980, 2931, 2856, 1749, 1664, 1605, 1527, 1448, 1367, 1305, 1230, 1149, 1116, 1019, 893, 842, 730, 682 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 3.48 (t, J = 5.0 Hz, 4H, (CH₂)₂N(C = N), 2.83 (t, J = 5.0 Hz, 4H, (CH₂)₂NH), 1.46 (s, 9H, 'Bu); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, methanol-*d*₄): δ 154.4, 81.4, 48.2, 46.0, 28.6; FAB-HRMS (M+Na⁺) calcd 341.1226, found 341.1235.

Compound 53. To a solution of aminoethanethiol (45) (114 mg, 1.00 mmol) in DMF (5 mL) was added N,N'bis-tert-butoxycarbonylthiourea (49) (276 mg, 1.00 mmol) and triethylamine (2.79 mL, 2.0 mmol) at room temperature. After 14 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with 5mL of H₂O and extracted with ethyl acetate $(3 \times 10 \text{ mL})$. The combined organic extracts were washed with brine and dried over MgSO₄. After filtration and evaporation of the solvent under reduced pressure the crude compound was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 25% diethyl ether in hexanes) to give 53 as an airsensitive colorless solid (191 mg, 59.8%). $R_f = 0.16$ (silica, 25% diethyl ether in hexanes); IR (KBr): V_{max} 3327, 3132, 2978, 2931, 1726, 1643, 1565, 1431, 1363, 1329, 1280, 1227, 1133, 1088, 1058, 855, 809, 760, 606 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 11.45 (bs, 1H, (C = N)NH(C = O)), 8.61 (bt, J = 5.9 Hz, 1H, CH_2NH), 3.74 (bdt, J = 6.0, 6.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂NH), 2.85 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂SH), 1.47 (s, 9H, ^tBu); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 163.4, 156.1, 153.1, 83.2, 79.3, 39.2, 37.0, 28.3, 28.1; FAB-HRMS calcd only S-S-dimer.

Compound 54. To a solution of ethylenediamine (54) (3.45 mL, 51.6 mmol) in DMF (50 mL) was added 1,3bis-(tert-butoxycarbonyl)-2-methyl-2-thiopseudourea (48) (3.00 g, 10.33 mmol), triethylamine (2.88 mL, 20.7 mmol) and mercury(II)chloride (2.81 g, 10.3 mmol) at room temperature. After 4h, the reaction mixture was diluted with 20 mL of ethyl acetate and filtered over a short path of celite[®]. The filtrate was succesively washed with H_2O (2×50 mL), brine (50 mL) and dried over MgSO₄. Flash column chromatography (silica gel, 20% MeOH in ethyl acetate +2% Et₃N) gave 54 as a colourless solid (1.60 g, 51.2%). $R_f = 0.30$ (silica gel, 20% MeOH in ethyl acetate +2% Et₃N); IR (KBr): V_{max} 3446, 3389, 3259, 2978, 2819, 1728, 1706, 1656, 1626, 1521, 1485, 1365, 1253, 1171, 1093, 1049, 888, 802, 738, 699, 562 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 11.38 (bs, 1H, (C=N)NH(C=O)), 8.61 (bt, 1H, $CH_2NH(C=N))$, 3.45 (bdt, J=5.5, 5.5 Hz, 2H, CH_2NH), 2.85 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 2H, CH_2NH_2), 1.46 (s, 9H, ^tBu) ; ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 163.4, 156.4, 153.1, 83.1, 79.2, 41.8, 40.9, 28.2; FAB-HRMS (M+H⁺) calcd 303.2032, found 303.2037.

Compound 55. To a solution of phenylenediamine (1.08 g, 0.01 mol) in 5.5 N HCl (10 mL) was added β -alanine (**47**) (1.125 g, 0.015 mol) at room temperature. The reaction mixture was refluxed for 24 h and then allowed to cool to room temperature. The solvent was removed in vacuo to give a precipitate, which was filtered and washed with ether (1.70 g, 73%). R_f =0.12 (20% methanol in dichloromethane); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, D₂O): δ 7.73–7.72 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.55–7.53 (m, 2H, Ar), 3.61–3.55 (m, 4H, CH₂CH₂); FAB-HRMS (M+H⁺) calcd 162.1031, found 162.1029.

Compound 56. To a solution of ethylenediamine (**46**) (1.0 mL, 0.015 mol) in DMF (10 mL) was added 2-(3,5-dimethylpyrazolyl)-4,5-dehydroimidazole hydrobromide (**50**) (3.67 g, 0.015 mol) and *N*,*N*-diisopropylethylamine (2.61 mL, 0.015 mol) at room temperature. After stirring for 11 h, ether (12 mL) was added to the reaction mixture and a white precipitate formed. The precipitate was filtered and washed with ether to give **56** (1.59 g, 51%). IR (KBr): V_{max} 3164, 1681, 1599, 1484, 1287, 1211, 1137, 1069, 952 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, D₂O): δ 3.54 (bs, 4H, NHCH₂CH₂NH), 3.17 (t, *J*=6.0 Hz, CH₂NH), 2.65 (t, *J*=6.0 Hz, CH₂NH₂); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, D₂O): δ 160.9, 45.3, 43.6, 40.3; FAB-HRMS (M+H⁺) calcd 129.1140, found 129.1134.

Preparation of compounds 11 and 14-19

Compound 58. To a solution of 3-nitro-4-fluoro benzoic acid (**30**) (1.59 g, 8.57 mmol) in benzene (40 mL) was added DMF (0.03 mL, 0.40 mmol) and oxalylchloride (3.73 mL, 20.2 mmol) at 0 °C. After 6 h, the solvent was

removed in vacuo. The resulting yellow viscous oil (1.73 g, 8.57 mmol) was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL). The solution was cooled to 0°C and triethylamine (1.28 mL, 9.20 mmol) was added. A solution of the protected 2-amino alanine tert-butylester 29a (2.32g, 7.70 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (40 mL) was added. After 4 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with water and the aqueous phase was extracted with dichloromethane $(2 \times 50 \text{ mL})$ after phase separation. The combined organic extracts were washed with saturated aqueous NaHCO₃-solution and dried over MgSO₄. After filtration and evaporation of the solvent under reduced pressure the crude compound was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 45% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to give 58 as a yellow foam (3.90g, 98%). $R_f = 0.19$ (silica gel, 40% ethyl acetate in hexanes); IR (KBr): V_{max} 3286, 2980, 2936, 1730, 1653, 1619, 1537, 1493, 1448, 1349, 1314, 1159, 1131, $1092 \, \text{cm}^{-1}$; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.56 (dd, ${}^{4}J({}^{1}H{}^{-1}H) =$ 2.5 Hz, ${}^{4}J({}^{1}\text{H}{}^{-19}\text{F}) = 7.5$ Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.12 (ddd, ${}^{4}J$ $(^{1}\text{H}-^{1}\text{H}) = 2.5 \text{ Hz}, \ ^{4}J \ (^{1}\text{H}-^{19}\text{F}) = 4.0 \text{ Hz}, \ ^{3}J \ (^{1}\text{H}-^{1}\text{H}) =$ 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.84 (d, J=7.5 Hz, 2H, Ph), 7.58 (d, J=7.5 Hz, 1H, Ph), 7.50 (t, J=7.5 Hz, 2H, m-Ar), 7.34 $(dd, {}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 9.0 \text{ Hz}, {}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{19}F) = 10.0 \text{ Hz}, \text{ Ar}), 7.13$ (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H, (C=O)NH), 5.89 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, CHNHSO₂Ph), 3.97–3.92 (m, 2H, CHH, CHCH₂), 3.60-3.54 (m, 1H, CHH), 1.29 (s, 9H, ^tBu); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 168.1, 164.5, 158.1, 156.0, 138.6, 134.2, 134.1, 133.2, 130.9, 129.2, 127.2, 125.6, 118.9, 118.7, 84.2, 55.8, 42.5, 27.6; FAB-HRMS $(M+Cs^+)$ calcd 600.0217, found 600.0195.

Compound 59. Compound 59 was prepared by the same procedure as for compound 58. Yield (985 mg, 96%) as an off-white solid. $R_f = 0.24$ (silica gel, 50% ethyl acetate in hexanes); IR (KBr): V_{max} 3395, 3297, 3083, 2981, 2937, 1734, 1671, 1620, 1534, 1494, 1460, 1345, 1264, 1156, 1128, 1079, 977, 918, 833, 750, 661, 617, 549, 479 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.46 (dd, ${}^{4}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 2.5 \text{ Hz}, {}^{4}J({}^{1}H-{}^{19}F) = 7.0 \text{ Hz}, 1H, \text{ Ar}), 8.38$ (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 8.02 (ddd, ${}^{4}J({}^{1}H{}^{-1}H) =$ 2.5 Hz, ${}^{4}J({}^{1}H-{}^{19}F) = 4.0$ Hz, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 8.8$ Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.90 (bd, superimposed, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.88 (bd, superimposed, J=8.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.83 (bd, J=8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.79 (dd, J=2.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.62 (ddd, J = 1.0, 7.5, 8.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.58 (ddd, J=1.0, 7.5, 8.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.27 (br, dd, J = 6.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H, CONH), 7.18 (bdd, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{1}H) = 9.0 \text{ Hz}$, ${}^{3}J({}^{1}H-{}^{19}F) = 10.0 \text{ Hz}$, 1H, Ar), 6.15 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, NHSO₂), 4.06 (ddd, J = 4.0, 5.5, 8.0 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.93 (ddd, J = 4.0, 6.0, 11.0 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.57 (ddd, J=5.5 Hz, 8.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 1.17 (s, 9H, 'Bu); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 168.3, 164.3, 158.0, 155.8, 135.5, 134.7, 134.1, 134.0, 131.8, 130.5, 129.5, 129.1, 128.6, 127.7, 125.4, 122.0, 118.6, 118.4, 83.9, 55.9, 42.3, 27.4; FAB-HRMS $(M+Cs^+)$ calcd 650.0373, found 650.0358.

Compound 60. To a round bottom flask equipped with a magnetic stirring bar was placed NaH (60% suspension in mineral oil) (0.16 g, 3.96 mmol) and THF (10 mL) at 0°C. To the stirred suspension was added a solution of 51 (0.55 g, 1.80 mmol) in THF (5 mL). Stirring was continued at this temperature for an additional 30 min and the resulting grey suspension was ready for use. A round bottom flask equipped with a magnetic stirring bar was charged with the aromatic fluoride 58 (0.1 g, 0.30 mmol) and DMF (10 mL). The solution was cooled to 0 °C and 5.5 mL of the previously prepared suspension was added by means of a syringe. After 8 h at 0 °C the reaction was stopped by addition of water (10 mL) and diluted with ethyl acetate. The aqueous phase was separated and extracted with ethyl acetate $(3 \times 25 \text{ mL})$ The combined organic extracts were washed successively with H₂O $(2 \times 10 \text{ mL})$ and brine (10 mL) and dried over MgSO₄. After filtration and evaporation under reduced pressure the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica, 60% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to give 60 as a yellowish foam (0.15 g, 66%). $R_f = 0.18$ (silica gel, 50%) ethyl acetate in hexanes); IR (KBr): Vmax 3331,2978, 2951, 1733, 1645, 1619, 1532, 1367, 1319, 1277, 1144, 1051, 1025 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 11.43 (bs, 1H, (C=N)NH (C=O)), 8.76 (bt, J=5.5 Hz, 1H, $CH_2NH(C=N)$), 8.32 (d, J=2.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.00 (dd, $J = 2.5, 9.0 \,\text{Hz}, 1 \text{H}, \text{Ar}$), 7.85–7.84 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.58 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, Ph), 7.49 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ph), 7.20 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 6.95 (t, J=8.0 Hz, 1H, NHCO), 5.84 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, HNSO₂), 4.28 (t, J = 5.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂O), 3.96–3.87 (m, superimposed, 4H, CHCH₂, $CH_2NH(C=N)$, 3.60–3.54 (m, 1H, CHCH₂), 1.50 (s, 9H, 'Bu), 1.48 (s, 9H, 'Bu), 1.28 (s, 9H, 'Bu); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 168.2, 165.0, 163.3, 156.5, 154.5, 154.1, 150.9, 139.4, 138.8, 133.1, 132.7, 129.2, 127.2, 126.5, 125.0, 114.5, 84.0, 83.4, 68.1, 55.9, 42.4, 39.4, 28.3, 28.0, 27.6; FAB-HRMS (M+Cs⁺) calcd 883.1949, found 883.1970.

Compound 11. To a solution of **60** (30.0 mg, 0.04 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) trifluoroacetic acid (2 mL) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 2 h. The solvents were removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by RP-HPLC (C-18) to give **11** as yellowish solid (22.0 mg, 92%). $t_{\rm R}$ = 12.2 min; IR (KBr): $V_{\rm max}$ 3418, 1679, 1529, 1433, 1354, 1319, 1278, 1198, 1161, 1092, 1046, 932, 837, 802, 756, 688 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 8.26 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.04 (dd, J = 2.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.82–7.80 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.47–7.36 (m, 4H, Ar), 4.35 (t, J = 5.0 Hz, 2H, OCH₂), 4.19 (dd, J = 4.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.75 (dd, J = 4.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.68 (t, J = 5.0 Hz, 2H, CH₂NH(C=N)), 3.47 (dd, J = 11.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H,

CHCH*H*); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 167.7, 155.0, 142.2, 140.7, 134.5, 133.6, 130.0, 128.2, 125.9, 115.7, 69.8, 43.3, 41.8, 25.2; FAB-HRMS (M+H⁺) calcd 495.1298, found 495.1311.

Compound 61. To a solution of 58 (100 mg, 0.20 mmol) in DMF (10 mL) was added 53 (68 mg, 0.22 mmol). After stirring at room temperature for 4h, the reaction mixture was diluted with water (10 mL) and the aqueous phase extracted with ethyl acetate $(3 \times 10 \text{ mL})$. The combined organic extracts were washed succesively with water (2×10 mL) and brine (20 mL) and dried over Na₂SO₄. After filtration and evaporation under reduced pressure the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 50% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to give 61 as a yellowish foam (110 mg, 73%). $R_f = 0.48$ (silica gel, 60% ethyl acetate in hexanes); IR (film): V_{max} 3318, 2925, 1723, 1623, 1517, 1412, 1324, 1158 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 11.47 (bs, 1H, (C = N)NH(C = O)), 8.59 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.56 (t, J=10.0 Hz, 1H, NH), 8.43 (t, J=10.0 Hz, 1H, NH), 7.93 (dd, J = 2.5 Hz, 10.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.84 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H, Ph), 7.53 (t, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H, Ph), 7.46 (t, J = 10.0 Hz, 2H, Ph), 7.21 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 6.81 (t, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H, CONH), 5.87 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H, NHSO₂), 3.98–3.93 (m, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.87–3.82 (m, 1H, CHCHH), 3.72-3.55 (m, 5H, CHCHH, NHCH₂, $CH_2NH(C=N)$, 1.52 (s, 9H, ^tBu), 1.47 (s, 9H, ^tBu), 1.27 (s, 9H, ^tBu); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 168.4, 165.7, 163.3, 156.6, 153.2, 146.9, 139.1, 134.7, 133.0, 131.4, 129.1, 127.2, 126.2, 121.0, 114.4, 83.7, 83.5, 79.5, 56.2, 42.4, 42.2, 39.0, 28.3, 28.0, 27.6; FAB-HRMS $(M + Cs^+)$ calcd 882.2109, found 882.2129.

Compound 14. Compound **14** was prepared by the same procedure as **11.** Yield (33.2 mg, 92%) as a yellow solid. $t_{\rm R}$ = 15.9 min; IR (KBr): $V_{\rm max}$ 3364, 3245, 2998, 2584, 1669, 1624, 1555, 1520, 1433, 1313, 1198, 1161, 923, 756, 722 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 8.61 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.92 (dd, J = 2.5, 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.81 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H, Ph), 7.47–7.40 (m, 3H, Ph), 7.11 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.19 (dd, J = 5.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.72 (dd, J = 5.0, 13.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.67 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H, NHCH₂), 3.52 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H, NHCH₂), 3.46 (dd, J = 9.0, 13.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 168.3, 159.0, 148.0, 142.1, 135.8, 133.6, 132.9, 130.0, 127.8, 125.0, 122.3, 114.8 43.2, 42.5, 41.1, 31.1; FAB-HRMS (M+H⁺) calcd 494.1458, found 494.1444.

Compound 62. To a solution of **54** (1.60 mg, 5.0 mmol) in THF (50 mL) was added NaH (60% suspension in mineral oil) (200 mg, 5.00 mmol) at 0° C. After 15 min the resulting thiolate solution was ready for use. To a solution of **58** (100 mg, 0.20 mmol) in DMF (10 mL) was added the thiolate solution (5.0 mL, 0.5 mmol) by

syringe. After 12 h at room temperature the reaction was stopped by addition of water (10 mL) and diluted with ethyl acetate. After phase seperation the aqueous phase was extracted with ethyl acetate $(3 \times 25 \text{ mL})$. The combined organic extracts were washed succesively with water (2×10 mL) and brine (10 mL) and dried over MgSO₄. After filtration and evaporation under reduced pressure the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 40% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to give 62 as a vellowish foam (35 mg, 23%). $R_f = 0.32$ (silica gel, 40% ethyl acetate in hexanes); ¹H NMR $(500 \text{ MHz}, \text{ CDCl}_3)$: δ 11.45 (bs, 1H, (C=N)NH (C=O)), 8.65 (bt, superimposed, J=4.5 Hz, 1H, $CH_2NH(C=N)$), 8.63 (d, superimposed, J=2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.22 (d, J=8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.15 (dd, J=2.0, 8.5 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.84 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ph), 7.56 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, Ph), 7.48 (bdd, J = 7.0, 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ph), 6.98 (t, J=5.5 Hz, 1H, CONH), 5.72 (d, J=7.0 Hz, 1H, NHSO₂), 3.99–3.93 (bm, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.88 (ddd, J=4.5, 5.5, 13.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.70-3.58 (m, 3H, CHCHH, $CH_2NH(C=N)$), 3.26 (t, J=8.0 Hz, 2H, SCH₂), 1.57 (s, 9H, ^tBu), 1.50 (s, 9H, ^tBu), 1.30 (s, 9H, ^tBu); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 168.2, 165.1, 163.4, 156.3, 153.1, 145.3, 141.0, 138.9, 133.1, 132.3, 130.3, 129.2, 127.7, 127.2, 124.7, 84.0, 83.5, 79.6, 55.9, 42.4, 39.2, 30.1, 28.4, 28.0, 27.6; FAB-HRMS (M+Cs⁺) calcd 899.1720, found 899.1753.

Compound 15. Compound **15** was prepared by the same procedure as for **11.** Yield: (23.0 mg, 92%) as a yellow solid. $t_{\rm R}$ = 16.0 min; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 8.58 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.06 (dd, J = 2.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.82 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H, Ph), 7.71 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ph), 7.48–7.41 (m, 3H, Ar), 4.23 (dd, J = 5.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.80–3.76 (m, 1H, CHCHH), 3.56 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂NH(C=N)), 3.50–3.43 (m, 1H, CHCHH), 3.34 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, SCH₂); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 167.6, 155.2, 142.1, 140.7, 133.5, 133.3, 132.5, 128.3, 128.0, 126.0, 43.4, 40.7, 32.3; FAB-HRMS(M+H+) calcd 511.1070, found 511.1058.

Compound 65. To a solution of **58** (100 mg, 0.20 mmol) in DMF (10 mL) was added **52** (68 mg, 0.22 mmol). After 6 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with water (25 mL) and ethyl acetate. After phase separation the aqueous phase was extracted with ethyl acetate (3×30 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed succesively with water (2×20 mL) and brine (20 mL) and dried over Na₂SO₄ After filtration and evaporation under reduced pressure the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, $40 \rightarrow 50\%$ ethyl acetate in hexanes) to give **65** as a yellowish foam (120 mg, 83%). R_f =0.30 (silica gel, 40% ethyl acetate in hexanes); IR (film): V_{max} 3266, 2977, 1743, 1621, 1520, 1451, 1367, 1304, 1158, 1130, 1094, 1014 cm⁻¹; ¹H

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NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 10.22 (bs, 1H, (C=N) HN(C=O)), 8.29 (d, J=2.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.92 (dd, J=2.5, 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.85–7.84 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.83– 7.82 (m, 1H), 7.56 (t, J=7.0 Hz, 1H, Ph), 7.48 (t, J=7.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.08 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 6.93 (t, J=6.0 Hz, 1H, CO(*NH*)), 5.85 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 1H, NHSO₂), 3.96–3.87 (m, 2H, CHCH₂, CHCHH), 3.80– 3.70 (bm, 4H, NH(CH₂)₂), 3.59–3.54 (m, 1H, CHCH_H), 3.23–3.21 (m, 4H, N(CH₂)₂), 1.48 (s, 18 H, 'Bu), 1.26 (s, 9H, 'Bu); ¹³C NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 168.3, 165.3, 155.2, 147.5 140.9, 138.8, 133.1, 132.0, 129.2, 127.2, 126.3, 126.0, 119.9, 84.0, 56.0, 50.3, 42.2, 28.1, 27.6; FAB-HRMS (M+Cs⁺) calcd 908.2265, found 908.2233.

Compound 16. Compound **16** was prepared by the same procedure as for **11.** Yield: (15.0 mg, 93%) as a yellowish solid. $t_{\rm R}$ = 15.3 min; IR (KBr): $V_{\rm max}$ 3367, 3239, 2925, 2857, 1662, 1613, 1523, 1449, 1388, 1320, 1199, 1173, 1135, 1093, 992, 837, 802, 721 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 8.22 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.95 (dd, J = 2.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.79 (m, 2H, Ph), 7.47–7.38 (m, 3H, Ph), 7.32 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.21 (dd, J = 5.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.74 (dd, J = 5.0, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.67–3.65 (m, 4H, N(CH₂)₂), 3.49–3.44 (m, 1H, CHCHH), 3.31–3.29 (m, 4H, N(CH₂)₂); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 172.6, 167.9, 158.4, 148.3, 142.8, 142.2, 129.9, 56.6, 50.9, 46.3, 43.3; FAB-HRMS (M+H⁺) calcd 520.1614, found 520.1630.

Compound 63. To a solution of **51** (130 mg, 0.43 mmol) in THF (5.0 mL) was added NaH (60% suspension in mineral oil) (70 mg, 1.74 mmol) at 0 °C. Stirring was continued at this temperature for additional 15 min and the resulting grey suspension was ready for use. To a solution of 59 (200 mg, 0.39 mmol) in DMF (20 mL) was added the alkoxide (2.5 mL). After stirring for 1 h at 0°C the remaining 2.5 mL of the alkoxide was added. After 3 h at 0 °C the reaction was stopped by addition of saturated aqueous NH₄Cl-solution (10 mL) and diluted with ethyl acetate. After phase separation the aqueous phase was extracted with ethyl acetate $(3 \times 25 \text{ mL})$. The combined organic extracts were washed succesively with H₂O (2×10 mL) and brine (10 mL) and dried over MgSO₄. After filtration and evaporation under reduced pressure the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 50% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to give 63 as a yellow solid (211 mg, 69%). $R_f = 0.16$ (silica gel, 50% ethyl acetate in hexanes); IR (KBr): V_{max} 3330, 2979, 2934, 1728, 1620, 1570, 1531, 1416, 1329, 1281, 1156, 1079, 1023, 970, 916, 816, 753, 660, 618, 552, 477 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 11.45 (bs, 1H, (C=N)NH(C=O)), 8.78 (bt, 1H, $CH_2NH(C=N)$), 8.37 (s, 1H, Ar), 8.26 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.92–7.87 (2×d, J=8.0 Hz, 2H, naphthyl), 7.90 (d,

J=8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.83 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.79 (dd, *J*=2.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.64–7.55 (2×br, dd, 2H, naphthyl), 7.07 (d, *J*=8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 6.90 (dd, *J*=5.5, 5.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂N*H*(C=O)), 5.95 (d, *J*=7.5 Hz, 1H, NHSO₂), 4.22 (t, *J*=5.3 Hz, 2H, OCH₂), 4.02 (ddd, *J*=4.0, 7.5, 8.5 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.93–3.83 (m, superimposed, 3H, CHC*H*H, CH₂NH (C=N)), 3.55 (ddd, *J*=5.5, 8.5, 13.5 Hz, 1H, CHCH*H*), 1.50 (s, 9H, 'Bu), 1.47 (s, 9H, 'Bu), 1.17 (s, 9H, 'Bu); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 168.3, 164.9, 156.4, 154.0, 152.9, 139.3, 135.6, 134.9, 132.6, 132.0, 129.6, 129.2, 129.1, 128.7, 127.8, 127.7, 127.6, 126.3, 125.0, 122.1, 114.4, 84.0, 83.5, 68.0, 56.1, 42.3, 39.5, 28.3, 28.0, 27.5; FAB-HRMS (M+Cs⁺) calcd 933.2105, found 933.2116

Compound 17. Compound 17 was prepared by the same procedure as for 11. Yield: (32.7 mg, 99%) as an offwhite to brownish solid. $t_{\rm R} = 14.5$ min. IR (KBr): $V_{\rm max}$ 3421, 2999, 2898, 1657, 1635, 1528, 1383, 1351, 1322, 1276, 1198, 1157, 1132, 1080, 1046, 979, 823, 754, 660, 550 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 8.15 (s, 1H, naphthyl), 7.93 (d, J=2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.72 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.69–7.58 (m, 4H, naphthyl, Ar), 7.42–7.35 (2×ddd, superimposed, 2H, naphthyl), 6.92 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.21 (dd, J=4.5, 9.8 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 4.13 (t, J=5.0 Hz, 2H, OCH₂), 3.61 (dd, J = 4.5, 13.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.57 (t, J = 4.5 Hz, 2H, $CH_2NH(C=N)$, 3.28 (dd, J=9.8 Hz, 13.5 Hz, 1H, CHCH*H*); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, methanol-*d*₄): δ 172.8, 167.1, 159.3, 154.9, 140.1, 139.5, 135.9, 134.1, 133.4, 130.3, 130.2, 129.5, 128.8, 128.7, 128.4, 127.3, 125.7, 123.5, 115.3, 69.7, 56.8, 43.1, 41.8; FAB-HRMS (M+H⁺) calcd 545.1455, found 545.1471.

Compound 64. To a solution of 59 (50 mg, 0.10 mmol) in 1-methyl-2-pyrrolidinone (1 mL) was added 53 (58 mg, 0.19 mmol) at room temperature. After 4 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with water (10 mL) and the aqueous phase extracted with ethyl acetate $(3 \times 10 \text{ mL})$. The combined organic extracts were washed succesively with water $(2 \times 5 \text{ mL})$ and brine (5 mL) and dried over MgSO₄. After filtration and evaporation under reduced pressure the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 50% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to give 64 as a yellow solid (76 mg, 99%). $R_f = 0.22$ (silica gel, 50% ethyl acetate in hexanes); IR (KBr): V_{max} 3300, 3065, 2975, 2931, 1734, 1660, 1620, 1535, 1497, 1347, 1261, 1159, 1129, 1079, 972, 917, 817, 751, 661, 551, 477 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 11.49 (bs, 1H, (C = N)NH(C = O)), 8.58 (bt, 1H, CH₂NH(C = N)), 8.47(d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 8.41 (dd, J = 5.5 Hz, 1H, NHCH₂), 8.37 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.90–7.84 (m, superimposed, 3H, naphthyl), 7.86 (dd, J=2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.79 (dd, J = 2.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.59 (ddd, J = 1.5, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.54 (ddd, *J*=1.5, 7.0, 7.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.12 (d, *J*=9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 6.69 (t, *J*=5.5 Hz, 1H, CH₂N*H*(C=O)), 5.89 (d, *J*=8.0 Hz, 1H, NHSO₂), 4.03 (ddd, *J*=4.0, 8.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.85 (ddd, *J*=4.0, 6.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.70 (bdt, *J*=5.5, 5.5 Hz, 2H, NHCH₂), 3.61–3.50 (m, 3H, CHCH*H*, CH₂NH(C=N)), 1.52 (s, 9H, 'Bu), 1.47 (s, 9H, 'Bu), 1.18 (s, 9H, 'Bu); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 168.5, 165.6, 156.6, 153.2, 146.9, 136.0, 134.8, 134.6, 132.0, 131.3, 129.6, 129.2, 128.9, 128.6, 127.8, 127.6, 126.0, 122.2, 120.8, 114.3, 83.8, 83.6, 56.4, 42.4, 42.2, 39.1, 28.3, 28.0, 27.6; FAB-HRMS (M+Cs⁺) calcd 932.2265, found 932.2285.

Compound 18. Compound 18 was prepared by the same procedure as 11. Yield (81.7 mg, 90%) as an orange yellow solid. $t_{\rm R} = 12.4 \, {\rm min}$; IR (KBr): $V_{\rm max}$ 3364, 1676, 1624, 1556, 1520, 1426, 1315, 1241, 1200, 1158, 1133, 1076, 1025, 999, 824, 757, 719, 660, 549, 479 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 8.17 (bs, 1H, naphthyl), 8.14 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.72 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.68-7.65 (m, 2H, naphthyl), 7.57 (bd, superimposed, J=9.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.55 (dd, superimposed, J=2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.41 (ddd, J=1.5, 7.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.36 (ddd, J=1.5, 7.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 6.74 (d,J=9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.25 (dd, J=4.5, 10.0 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.62 (dd, J=4.5, 14.0 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.52 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H, NHCH₂), 3.41 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H, NHC H_2), 3.30 (dd, J=10.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H, CHCHH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 173.0, 167.8, 147.8, 139.5, 135.9, 135.3, 133.4, 130.3, 130.2, 129.3, 128.7, 128.6, 128.3, 127.2, 123.5, 121.5, 114.5, 57.0, 42.9, 42.5, 41.5; FAB-HRMS (M+Na⁺) calcd 566.1434, found 566.1453.

Compound 66. To a solution of 59 (150 mg, 0.29 mmol) in DMF (5 mL) was added 52 (190 mg, 0.58 mmol) at room temperature. After 20 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with water (25 mL) and ethyl acetate. After phase seperation, the aqueous phase extracted with ethyl acetate $(3 \times 30 \text{ mL})$. The combined organic extracts were washed succesively with water $(2 \times 20 \text{ mL})$ and brine (20 mL) and dried over MgSO₄. After filtration and evaporation under reduced pressure the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel, 40% ethyl acetate in hexanes) to give 66 as a yellow solid (240 mg, 99%). $R_f = 0.33$ (silica gel, 50% ethyl acetate in hexanes); IR (KBr): V_{max} 3397, 2979, 2933, 1741, 1610, 1524, 1454, 1367, 1303, 1239, 1157, 1015, 975, 834, 752, 661, 615, 552, 477 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR $(500 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3)$: δ 11.49 (bs, 1H, (C=N)NH(C=O), 8.38 (bs, 1H, naphthyl), 8.24 (d, J=2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.90 (bd, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.87 (bd, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.83 (dd, superimposed, J=2.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.82 (d, superimposed, J=8.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.79 (dd, J=2.0, 8.5 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.64–7.55 $(2 \times bddd, superimposed, 2H, naphthyl), 7.13 (bm, 1H, NH(C=O)), 6.98 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.01 (ddd, J=3.5, 8.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.88 (ddd, J=4.0, 6.0, 13.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.73 (bm, 4H, NCH₂), 3.55 (ddd, J=5.5, 8.5, 13.5 Hz, 1 H CHCHH), 3.18 (bm, 4H, NCH₂), 1.48 (s, 18 H, 'Bu), 1.15 (s, 9H, 'Bu); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃): <math>\delta$ 168.6, 165.1, 155.2, 147.3, 140.9, 135.6, 134.9, 132.0, 129.6, 129.2, 129.0, 128.7, 127.8, 127.7, 126.2, 126.0, 122.1, 119.8, 119.7, 83.9, 56.1, 50.3, 42.2, 28.2, 28.0, 27.3; FAB-HRMS (M+Cs⁺) calcd 958.2422, found 958.2458.

Compound 19. Compound 19 was prepared by the same procedure as for 11. Yield (31.9 mg, 93%) as a yellowish solid. t_R=11.1 min; IR (KBr): V_{max} 3401, 3297, 3251, 2996, 2928, 1659, 1613, 1523, 1451, 1385, 1323, 1199, 1157, 1138, 1078, 992, 808, 753, 720, 660, 549 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 8.19 (bs, 1H, naphthyl), 7.93 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.76 (bd, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.71-7.61 (m, superimposed, 3H, naphthyl, Ar), 7.55 (dd, J=2.0 Hz, 8.8 Hz, 1H, naphthyl), 7.44-7.36 (2×ddd, superimposed, 2H, naphthyl), 6.91 (d, J=8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.21 (dd, J=4.5, 9.5 Hz, 1H, $CHCH_2$), 3.61 (dd, J = 4.5, 13.5 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.55 $(m, 4H, NCH_2), 3.29 (dd, J=9.5, 13.5 Hz, 1H,$ CHCHH), 3.15–3.09 (m, 4H, NCH₂); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, methanol-d₄): δ 167.6, 158.5, 148.2, 142.1, 139.4, 136.0, 133.5, 133.3, 130.4, 130.3, 129.7, 128.9, 128.5, 127.3, 126.7, 123.6, 121.2, 50.9, 49.6, 48.6, 46.4; FAB-HRMS $(M+Cs^+)$ calcd 702.0747, found 702.0784.

Preparation of compounds 20 and 21

Compound 67. To a solution of **57** (0.10 g, 0.20 mmol) in DMF (8 mL) was added 55 (0.038 g, 0.22 mmol) and triethylamine (0.06 mL, 0.44 mmol) at room temperature. After stirring at 25 °C for 16 h, the reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate (10 mL) and water (10 mL). The layers were seperated and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate $(2 \times 10 \text{ mL})$. The organic extracts were collected and washed with water $(2 \times 10 \text{ mL})$ and brine (20 mL) and dried over Na₂SO₄. After filtration and evaporation under reduced pressure the residue was purified by flash chromatography (silica, ethyl acetate) to give 67 as a yellowish solid (110 mg, 92%). $R_f = 0.43$ (silica, ethyl acetate); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 8.57 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.96 (bm, 1H, Ar), 7.83 (dd, J = 2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.80-7.78 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.48-7.39 (m, 4H, Ar), 7.18 (dd, J=4.0, 6.0 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.12 (dd, J=6.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂CH), 3.89 (t, J=7.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2Ar), 3.65 (dd, J = 6.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H, CHHCH), 3.46 (dd, J=8.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H, CHHCH), 3.26 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H, CH₂NH), 1.22 (s, 9H, ^tBu); ¹³C NMR $(125 \text{ MHz}, \text{ methanol-} d_4): \delta 170.4, 168.1, 164.8, 153.6,$ 147.9, 142.2, 135.6, 133.6, 132.6, 132.4, 130.1, 128.1, 127.7, 123.5, 121.8, 114.9, 83.3, 57.3, 43.2, 42.3, 27.9; Electrospray mass spectrum $(M + H^+)$ calcd 609, observed 609.

Compound 20. To a solution of **57** (0.068 g, 0.11 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (2 mL) was added trifluoroacetic acid (2 mL) at room temperature. After 4 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo to give an oil which after RP-HPLC (C-18) gave 20 as a yellow solid (0.056, 97%). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 8.65 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.93 (dd, J = 1.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.81 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ph), 7.74 (dd, J=3.0, 6.0 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.58 (dd, J = 3.0, 6.0 Hz, Ar), 7.48 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H, Ph), 7.43 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H, Ph), 7.16 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.20 (dd, J = 5.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 4.04 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 2H, CH_2Ar), 3.74 (dd, J = 5.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.54 (t, J=6.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂NH), 3.45 (dd, J=9.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H, CHCHH); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, methanol d_4): δ 172.6, 168.1, 152.6, 147.3, 142.0, 135.7, 133.5, 133.1, 132.4, 132.3, 130.0, 127.9, 127.8, 127.4, 122.5, 114.8, 114.6, 56.8, 43.2, 41.2, 27.2; FAB-HRMS $(M + Cs^+)$ calcd 685.0482, found 685.0461.

Compound 68. To a solution of **57** (0.06 g, 0.13 mmol) in DMF (10 mL) was added **56** (0.03 g, 0.14 mmol) and triethylamine (0.04 mL, 0.29 mmol) at room temperature. After 12 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo to give **68** as a crude yellow oil (0.09 g, 110%). R_f =0.23 (40% methanol in dichloromethane); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 8.63 (d, J=2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.93 (dd, J=2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.82 (d, J=6.5 Hz, 2H, Ph), 7.48–7.42 (m, 3H, Ph), 7.09 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.08–4.06 (m, 1H, CHCHH), 3.68–3.62 (m, superimposed, 5H, NHCH₂CH₂NH, CHC*H*H), 3.50–3.44 (m, 1H, CHCH*H*), 3.30 (t, J=3.5 Hz, 2H, CH₂NHAr), 1.24 (s, 9H, 'Bu); Electrospray mass spectrum calcd (M + H⁺) 573, found 573.

Compound 21. To a solution of 68 (0.09 g, 0.14 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (5 mL) was added trifluoroacetic acid (5 mL) at room temperature. After 4 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo to give an oil which after RP-HPLC (C-18) gave **21** as a yellow solid (0.07 g, 83%) $t_{\rm R} = 14.0 \,{\rm min}; {}^{1}{\rm H}$ NMR (500 MHz, methanol-d₄): δ 8.64 (bs, 1H, Ar), 7.94 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.82 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 2H, Ph), 7.48(t, J=7.0 Hz, 1H, Ph), 7.43 (t, J=7.0 Hz, 1H, Ph), 7.12 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.20 (dd, J=5.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, CHCH₂), 3.73 (dd, J = 5.0, 14.0 Hz, 1H, CHCHH), 3.70-3.66 (m, superimposed, 7H, NCH₂ CH₂N, $CH_2N(C=N)$), 3.52 (t, J=6.0 Hz, 2H, CH_2NHAr), 3.45 $(dd, J=9.0, 14.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, CHCHH); {}^{13}C \text{ NMR}$ $(125 \text{ MHz}, \text{ methanol-} d_4): \delta 172.7, 168.3, 161.6, 148.0,$ 142.1, 135.8, 133.5, 132.9, 130.0, 128.0, 127.7, 122.3, 114.9, 56.7, 44.1, 43.2, 42.9, 42.7; FAB-HRMS $(M + H^+)$ calcd 520.1614, found 520.1630.

Preparation of compound 22

Compound 69. To a solution of the fluoride 57 (0.10 g, 0.20 mmol) in dry DMF (10 mL) at room temperature a stream of NH_3 (g) was bubbled through for 1 h. After stirring for 4h, the reaction mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate and water. The layers were separated and the organic layer was washed with water $(2 \times 10 \text{ mL})$, brine (20 mL) and dried (Na₂SO₄). The solvent was removed in vacuo to give 61 as a vellowish oil (0.09 g, 93%). $R_f = 0.25$ (silica, 50% ethyl acetate in hexane); IR (thin film): V_{max} 3359, 1729, 1631, 1516, 1308, 1258, 1158, 1093 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 8.54 (d, J=2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.83–7.81 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.74 (dd, J=2.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.52–7.43 (m, 3H, Ar), 6.97 (d, J=9.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 4.12 (dd, J=6.0, 8.0 Hz, 1H, CH), 3.64 (dd, J = 6.0, 13.5 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.47 (dd, J = 8.0, 13.5 Hz, 1H, CHH), 1.25 (s, 9H, ^tBu); ¹³C NMR $(125 \text{ MHz}, \text{ methanol}-d_4): \delta 170.5, 168.3, 149.4, 142.2,$ 134.8, 133.6, 131.7, 130.1, 128.1, 127.1, 122.2, 119.9, 83.4, 57.3, 43.2, 27.9; FAB-HRMS calcd (M+Cs⁺) 597.0420, found 597.0439.

Compound 70. To a solution of amine **69** (0.23 g, 0.50 mmol) in methanol (15 mL) at room temperature was added 10% Pd/C (0.10g) under argon. The flask was then equipped with a balloon containing H_2 (g). After 8 h, the reaction mixture was filtered through a pad of celite and the solvent removed in vacuo to give 70 as a brownish-reddish oil (0.19 g, 90%). $R_f = 0.11$ (silica, 80% ethyl acetate in hexane); IR (thin film): V_{max} 3360, 2979, 1729, 1625, 1582, 1542, 1508, 1447, 1369, 1310, 1248, 1160, 1093, 758, 721, 688, $590 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 7.82–7.80 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.53–7.49 (m, 1H, Ar), 7.46–7.43 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.11 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.05 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar), 6.64(d, J=8.5 Hz, 1 H, Ar), 4.08 (dd, J=7.5, 14.5 Hz, 1 H)CH), 3.61 (dd, J=6.0, 13.5 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.47 (dd, J=8.0, 13.5 Hz, 1H, CHH), 1.22 (s, 9H, ^tBu); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, methanol-d₄): δ 170.8, 170.6, 142.1, 141.2, 134.8, 133.7, 130.1, 128.1, 124.5, 120.6, 116.5, 115.5, 83.3, 57.5, 43.1, 28.0; FAB-HRMS calcd $(M + Na^+)$ 435.1702, found 434.1727.

Compound 71. To a solution of the diamine **70** (0.092 g, 0.20 mmol) in ethanol (20 mL) was added triethylamine (0.032 mL, 0.22 mmol) and phenyl isothiocyanate (0.028 mL, 0.22 mmol). After 14 h, the solvent was removed in vacuo to give a brown residue which was purified by preparative thin-layer chromatography (silica, 5% methanol in dichloromethane) to give **71** as a brown solid (0.082 g, 69%). R_f = 0.16 (silica, 5% methanol in dichloromethane); IR (thin film): V_{max} 3316, 3061, 2978, 1729, 1624, 1504, 1448, 1368, 1309, 1252, 1159, 1092, 837, 733 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.15 (bs, 1H, NH), 7.81 (d, J=7.5 Hz, 2H, Ar), 7.56–7.03

(m, 14 H), 6.78 (bs, 1H, NHC=O), 6.58 (d, J=8.0 Hz, 1H, HNSO₂Ph), 4.51 (bs, 1H), 4.05 (bs, 1H), 3.67 (bs, 1H), 1.20 (s, 9H, 'Bu); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 180.3, 168.6, 167.4, 147.0, 143.3, 139.6, 137.6, 132.7, 129.0, 128.4, 127.1, 126.6, 125.4, 123.5, 116.1, 83.2, 60.3, 56.5, 42.0, 27.5; FAB-HRMS calcd (M + Cs⁺) 702.0821, found 702.0797.

Compound 72. To a solution of the thiourea **71** (0.077 g, 0.14 mmol) in DMF (10 mL) at room temperature was added triethylamine (0.02 mL, 0.14 mmol) and mercury (II) chloride (0.04 g, 0.14 mmol). After 4 h, the reaction mixture was filtered through celite and rinsed with ethyl acetate. The solvent was removed in vacuo to give **72** as a brown residue (0.05 g, 81%) which was carried onto the next step. R_f =0.32 (silica, 5% methanol in dichloromethane); ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.98 (m, 2H, Ar), 7.53–6.90 (m, 15 H, Ar), 4.16 (m, 1H, CH), 3.83 (bs, 1H, CHH), 3.62 (bs, 1H, CHH), 1.25 (bs, 9H, ^{*T*}Bu); FAB-HRMS calcd (M + Cs⁺) 668.0944, found 668.0923.

Compound 22. Compound **22** was prepared by the same procedure as for **10**. Yield: (0.04 g, 88%). $t_{\text{R}} = 14.8 \text{ min}$; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 7.85–7.82 (m, 3H, Ar), 7.75 (dd, J = 1.5, 8.5 Hz, 1H, Ar), 7.56–7.41 (m, 9H, Ar), 4.22 (dd, J = 5.0, 9.0 Hz, 1H, CH), 3.78 (dd, J = 5.0, 13.5 Hz, CHH), 3.48 (dd, J = 9.0, 13.5 Hz, CHH); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, methanol- d_4): δ 171.9, 169.2, 150.7, 141.6, 136.2, 133.1, 131.2, 130.9, 130.6, 129.5, 128.3, 127.5, 124.6, 124.1, 111.9, 111.8, 56.1, 42.8; FAB-HRMS calcd (M + H⁺) 480.1342, found 480.1352.

Receptor and cell adhesion assays

Human integrins and vitronectin and fibrinogen from human plasma were prepared as previously detailed,²⁵ $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$ was purified from outdated thrombocytes,²⁶ $\alpha_v\beta_3$ and $\alpha_v\beta_5$ were from term human placenta.²⁷ The integrins were >95% pure as judged by SDS–PAGE and by ELISA. Receptor inhibition assays²⁸ and cell attachment²⁵ were performed as previously described.

Human cell lines and culture and the adhesive characteristics of the cells have been described in full elsewhere.^{25,29} The melanoma cell line M21 attach to vitronectin predominantly over $\alpha_v\beta_3$ with a small contribution from $\alpha_v\beta_5$. M21-L lack α_v expression and were transfected with full length cDNA of α_{IIb} gene to establish a line M21-L-IIb³⁰ which adhere to fibrinogen using expressed cell surface $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$. The carcinoma line UCLA-P3 expresses $\alpha_v\beta_5$ as a vitronectin receptor.^{25,31}

Cell adhesion assays were detailed previously,^{25,32} limiting integrin usage by selecting the appropriate substrate. Briefly, nontissue culture treated 96-well plates were coated with purified fibrinogen or vitronectin (5–10 mg/mL). Cells were harvested, resuspended and washed once in adhesion buffer (RPMI with 1% BSA, 50 mM HEPES (pH 7.4)) before being allowed to adhere (25,000 cells: 1 h, $37 \,^{\circ}$ C) in the presence of test compounds to the immobilized ligands. Non-adherent cells were removed by aspiration followed by three rapid washes with adhesion buffer and remaining cells were detected using hexosaminidase substrate.

Chick chorioallantoic membrane (CAM) assay

Animals. Ten day old chick embryos were purchased from McIntyre Poultry (Lakeside, CA, USA) and incubated at 37 °C with 60% humidity and 51% relative humidity.

Preparation of filter discs. The filter discs for placement on the chick CAM were cut out from Whatman grade 1 filter paper using a paper punch (6 mm diameter). The discs were then soaked in 1 mL of a 3.0 mg/mL cortisone acetate in absolute ethanol solution. The discs were air dried for 45–60 min in a sterile laminar flow hood.

Candling. To locate the optimal position for the placement of the filter disc on the CAM and to identify potential blood vessels for intravenous injections, the eggs were candled. The broad end of the egg was placed up to the candlelight to determine the position of the air sac. To prepare the egg for intravenous injection, the egg was rotated close to the light to determine the position of the prominent blood vessels on the lateral sides of the egg that were well anchored and close to the surface. The vessel selected for injection was as straight as possible and from medium to small in size.

Dropping the CAM. To separate the CAM from the shell membrane the broad end of the eggs where the air sac was located was swabbed with 70% ethanol. A small hole was drilled through the broad end of the egg. Another hole, through the shell only, was drilled at the position where the CAM will separate from the eggshell, approximately 90° from the preselected blood vessel. Curved tip forceps were used to push down on the shell membrane at the sight of filter disc placement. This pressure allowed the CAM to separate from the shell. Gentle suction was applied to the hole at the broad end of the egg which helped create the false air sac directly over the CAM. To create a window through the eggshell immediately over the dropped CAM, a $1 \text{ cm} \times 1 \text{ cm}$ box was drawn directly over the newly created false air sac and then cut with a model cutting wheel.

Cytokine stimulation of angiogenesis. The dried filter discs were coated in 1-2 mL of a $1-2 \mu \text{g/mL}$ cytokine solution (bFGF). The cytokine coated filter discs were then placed on their respective CAMS in an area with

low density of preexisting vessels. The window was sealed with transparent tape and the embryos were placed in the incubator.

Administration of angiogenesis inhibitors. The embryos were incubated undisturbed for 18–20 h to facilitate adherence of filter discs to the CAM tissue and to induce the early stages of angiogenesis. The shell around the preselected vessel was then removed and a window was created. A drop of paraffin oil was placed around the cut borders of the window to loosen the shell from the membrane. The shell window was then removed using a pair of dissecting forceps and 100 mL total volume of the antagonist solution was injected into the preselected blood vessel. The embryos were then incubated for 48 h.

Quantification of angiogenesis. In order to quantify angiogenesis within the chick CAMs, embryos were removed from the incubator and CAMs harvested. Using dissecting scissors, the shell immediately surrounding the window was removed to expose the underlying filter disc. Using dissecting forceps and scissors, the portion of CAM tissue containing the cytokine filter disc was removed from the rest of the CAM and placed in a 35×10 mm sterile petri dish. Each CAM was individually rinsed with 2mL of sterile PBS pH 7.40 prior to its analysis. A stereo microscope was used to count the number of blood vessel branch points directly beneath the applied filter disc. The relative number of blood vessel branch points is indicative of the number of new blood vessel sprouts arising from pre-existing blood vessels. Quantification of the number of branch points was performed in a double blind fashion.

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