

Article **Asymmetric Mannich/Cyclization Reaction of 2-Benzothiazolimines and 2-Isothiocyano-1-indanones to Construct Chiral Spirocyclic Compounds**

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Abstract: An efficient and practical organocatalyzed asymmetric Mannich/cyclization tandem reaction strategy of 2-benzothiazolimines and 2-isothiocyanato-1-indanones was developed, and novel spirocyclic compounds containing benzothiazolimine and indanone scaffolds were obtained. This chiral thiourea-catalyzed Mannich/cyclization tandem reaction offers chiral spirocyclic compounds with continuous tertiary and quaternary stereocenters in good to high yields (up to 90%) with excellent diastereoselectivities (up to >20:1 dr) and enantioselectivities (up to 98% ee) at -18 °C. Additionally, the scaled-up synthesis was also performed with retained yield and stereoselectivity, and a reaction mechanism was also proposed.

Keywords: benzothiazole; imine; Mannich reaction; 2-isothiocyanato-1-indanone

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1. Introduction

Benzothiazole compounds are an important class of heterocyclic compounds with a wide range of biological activities [\[1\]](#page-14-0). They are also the core structures that constitute many natural products and important drugs [\[2\]](#page-14-1). Benzothiazole derivatives are common heterocyclic skeletons in many natural or synthetic products and have recognized biological and pharmacological properties [\[3–](#page-14-2)[6\]](#page-14-3), such as antibacterial agents, bactericides, anticancer agents, antioxidants, anti-inflammatory agents, analgesics, antiviral agents, anticonvulsants, antituberculosis agents, antidiabetic agents, antileishmaniasis agents, antihistamines, antimalarial agents, antidepressants, and enzyme and receptor agonists/antagonists. In addition, some benzothiazole derivatives have been shown to have activity against neurodegenerative diseases [\[7\]](#page-14-4). For example, the naphthyridone derivative 7-[4-(1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl)piperazin-1-yl]-1-methyl-4-oxo-1,4-dihydro-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid is a promising anti-HIV agent due to its ability to inhibit the HIV-1 Tat-mediated transcription and the potent antiviral activity observed in acutely, chronically, and latently infected cells [\[8\]](#page-14-5) (Figure [1\)](#page-1-0), and ethoxzolamide is a type of sulfonamide drug, primarily used as a diuretic and carbonic anhydrase inhibitor [\[9\]](#page-14-6). Riluzole is currently on the market for the treatment of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) [\[10](#page-14-7)[,11\]](#page-14-8), Pittsburgh compound B is used as a positron emission tomography (PET) imaging agent for Alzheimer's disease (AD) [\[12\]](#page-15-0), and zopolrestat is an effective oral aldose reductase inhibitor, and has research value in the complications of diabetes [\[13\]](#page-15-1). Given the value of benzothiazole derivatives, developing new synthesis methods to obtain novel benzothiazole derivatives remains of great significance [\[14\]](#page-15-2). For more than a decade, the value of benzothiazole imine in synthesizing bioactive and pharmacological substances, combining bioactive structural units, and discovering new bioactive substances has continuously emerged.

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Currently, utilizing 2-benzothiazolimine as a synthetic unit to construct heterocyclic Currently, utilizing 2-benzothiazolimine as a synthetic unit to construct heterocyclic compounds through asymmetric catalytic reactions has emerged as a crucial and efficient method for synthesizing biologically active molecules. This approach holds significant importance in establishing diverse drug-related molecular libraries and discovering novel bioactive substances. As a class of benzothiazole-containing synthons, 2benzothiazolimines are considered as universal precursors for the preparation of these heterocycles and has thus been extensively applied in numerous asymmetric transformations. According to the literature, 2-benzothiazolimines often serve as Mannich ac-ceptors in asymmetric synthesis [\[15](#page-15-3)[–17\]](#page-15-4). Due to the weak aromaticity of the thiazole stream in a symmetric synthesis [15–17]. zolimines can be employed as conjugated imines and further utilized as C4-synthons in as C4-synthons in asymmetric organic synthesis, particularly in asymmetric cyclization as Graymmotis in asymmotive organic synthesis, particularly in asymmetric cyclization processes catalyzed by *N*-heterocyclic carbenes [\[18\]](#page-15-5), phosphates [\[19\]](#page-15-6), squaramides [\[20\]](#page-15-7),
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(a) Song's work

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Scheme 1. Previous reports and our work. (a) $[2 + 3]$ cyclization reaction $[23]$; (b) $[2 + 4]$ cyclization reaction [24]; (**c**) [2 + 3] cyclization reaction [25]; (**d**) our research plan. reaction [\[24\]](#page-15-11); (**c**) [2 + 3] cyclization reaction [\[25\]](#page-15-12); (**d**) our research plan.

2. Results and Discussion 2. Results and Discussion

2.1. Optimization of Reaction Conditions 2.1. Optimization of Reaction Conditions

In the initial study, 0.10 mmol of (*E*)-*N*-(benzo[*d*]thiazol-2-yl)-1-phenylcarbazone (**1a**) In the initial study, 0.10 mmol of (*E*)-*N*-(benzo[*d*]thiazol-2-yl)-1-phenylcarbazone (**1a**) and 0.12 mmol of 2-isothiocyanato-1-indanone (**2a**) were chosen as the template reaction substrates for cyclization. Then, 10 mol% of cinchonidine-derived squaramide catalyst **C1** was added, and the reaction was conducted at room temperature in 1 mL of dichloromethane for 18 h. The target product **3aa** was finally obtained in 75% yield with good and the target product **3aa** was finally obtained in 75% yield with good stereoselectivity $(83\%$ ee, >20:1 dr). Encouraged by this important result, we screened several organocatalysts (Figure [2\)](#page-3-0), reaction solvents, and catalyst loadings to further improve the outcome and enantioselectivity. The results are outlined in Table [1.](#page-3-1)
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The results indicated that catalysts **C4**, **C5**, **C9**, **C11**, and **C13** exhibited similar or slightly inferior catalytic performance compared to **C1** (Table [1,](#page-3-1) entries 4, 5, 9, 11, and 13). When the reaction was catalyzed by bifunctional thiourea catalyst **C6** or **C14**, the enantioselectivity decreased sharply, suggesting that these two types of catalysts were not suitable for this reaction (Table [1,](#page-3-1) entries 6 and 14). Encouragingly, catalysts **C2**, **C7**, **C8**, and **C12** outperformed catalyst **C1** in terms of enantioselectivity, and catalyst **C7** exhibited a higher yield and the optimal enantioselectivity among them (Table [1,](#page-3-1) entries 2, 7, 8, and 12). Through the data comparison, it can be determined that the optimal catalyst was **C7**.

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Figure 2. Organocatalysts selected.

slightly inferior catalytic performance compared to **C1** (Table 1, entries 4, 5, 9, 11, and 13). **Table 1.** Optimization of the reaction conditions ^a.

		O NCS	10 mol% cat. DCM, 18 h	Ph NH Ò	
	1a	2a		ś 3aa	
Entry	Solvent	Catalyst	Yield $\frac{b}{c}$ (%)	dr ^c	ee \rm^d (%)
1	CH ₂ Cl ₂	C1	75	>20:1	83
\overline{c}	CH ₂ Cl ₂	C ₂	78	>20:1	92
3	CH ₂ Cl ₂	C ₃	84	>20:1	82
$\bf 4$	CH ₂ Cl ₂	C ₄	80	>20:1	79
5	CH ₂ Cl ₂	C5	76	>20:1	52
6	CH ₂ Cl ₂	C6	71	>20:1	$\overline{7}$
7	CH ₂ Cl ₂	C7	83	>20:1	95
8	CH ₂ Cl ₂	C8	80	>20:1	89
9	CH ₂ Cl ₂	C9	81	>20:1	52
$10\,$	CH_2Cl_2	C10	86	>20:1	87
11	CH ₂ Cl ₂	C11	78	>20:1	73
12	CH ₂ Cl ₂	C12	77	>20:1	95
13	CH ₂ Cl ₂	C13	73	>20:1	75
14	CH_2Cl_2	C14	71	>20:1	$\overline{4}$
15	dioxane	C7	61	>20:1	74
16	EtOAc	C7	76	>20:1	65
17	DCE	C7	80	>20:1	71
18	MeCN	C7	81	>20:1	43
19	THF	C7	83	>20:1	54
20	MTBE	C7	77	>20:1	84
21 ^e	CH_2Cl_2	C7	79	>20:1	67
22 ^f	CH ₂ Cl ₂	C7	83	>20:1	79
238	CH_2Cl_2	C7	85	>20:1	98

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^a Unless otherwise specified, the reactions were carried out with **1a** (0.10 mmol), **2a** (0.12 mmol), and catalyst (10 mol%) in solvent (1.0 mL) for 18 h. ^b Isolated yields after column chromatography purification. ^c Determined by $^1\rm H$ NMR analysis. $^{\rm d}$ The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by HPLC analysis. $^{\rm e}$ 5 mol% catalyst was used. ^f 15 mol% catalyst was used. ^g Reaction at −18 °C for 18 h.

With the best catalyst in hand, various solvents were screened, including 1,4-dioxane, tetrahydrofuran, ethyl acetate, 1,2-dichloroethane (DCE), acetonitrile, and methyl tertbutyl ether (MTBE) (Table [1,](#page-3-1) entries 15–20). The experimental results revealed that dichloromethane was the optimal solvent for this reaction under the same experimental conditions. Following this, the effects of catalyst loading and temperature were investigated (Table [1,](#page-3-1) entries 21–23). When the catalyst loading was reduced from 10 mol% to 5 mol% or increased to 15 mol%, the enantioselectivity of the reaction decreased significantly, while the yield changed marginally. Finally, when the temperature was lowered to $-18 \degree C$, the enantioselectivity of the reaction improved (to 98% ee). Therefore, the optimal reaction conditions for the Mannich/cyclization reaction between **1a** and **2a** were using 10 mol% **C7** as the catalyst, 1 mL dichloromethane as the solvent, and conducting the reaction at -18 °C.

2.2. Substrate Scope

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Scheme 2. Substrate scope for spirocyclic compounds 3. The reactions were carried out with mmol and catalyst **2** (0.12 mmol), and catalyst **C7** (10 mol), and the yields **in the yields** in the yields in DCM (1.0 mmol) in $\mathcal{L} = 1800 \text{ K} + 1200 \text$ **1** (0.10 mmol), **2** (0.12 mmol), and catalyst **C7** (10 mol%) in DCM (1.0 mL) at −18 °C for 12–24 h. The yields were isolated after column chromatography. The dr values were determined by $^1{\rm H}$ NMR and the ee values were determined by HPLC analysis.

First, the substrate scope of 2-benzothiazolimine **1** was investigated. The influence of the substituent R^1 on the benzene ring of the benzothiazole skeleton was initially evaluated. By introducing the electron-withdrawing group –Cl and the electron-donating group –OMe at the C-6 position of the benzene ring, two related products were obtained. By comparison, when the substituent on the benzene ring was the electron-withdrawing group –Cl, the related product **3ba** exhibited excellent diastereoselectivity (>20:1 dr) and good yield (79%) but had a relatively low enantioselectivity (40% ee). In contrast, when the substituent on the benzene ring was the electron-donating group –OMe, the related product **3ca** had excellent enantioselectivity (98% ee) and good diastereoselectivity (>20:1 dr), along with a high yield (83%). These results indicated that the electronic nature of the substituent on the benzene ring played a crucial role in the reaction outcome.

Simultaneously, the situation of the substituent \mathbb{R}^2 in 2-benzothiazolimine 1 was also examined. When the C-2 position of substituent R^2 was substituted by halogen atoms F, Cl, and Br, the related products **3fa**, **3ga**, and **3ja** exhibited good yields (69–73%). Products **3fa** and **3ga** both had excellent enantioselectivity (88% ee and 96% ee, respectively), but the enantioselectivity of product **3ja** was lower (38% ee). The experiments revealed that when the substituent at the C-3 position of \mathbb{R}^2 was an electron-donating alkyl group (methyl) or methoxy group (products **3ha** and **3da**), the enantioselectivity of the products decreased significantly (50% ee and 8% ee, respectively). However, when the substituent at the C-3 position was an electron-withdrawing Br (product **3ia**), it still had a relatively low enantioselectivity (20% ee). This may have been due to the fact that the meta-substituted benzene ring still possessed a certain degree of steric hindrance, which, although not effectively hindering the reaction process, significantly affected the enantioselectivity of the reaction.

When the substituent at the C-4 position of R^2 was an electron-donating alkyl group (methyl) or methoxy group (products **3ea** and **3ka**), they had high yields (85% and 84%, respectively), but unfortunately, both products had low enantioselectivities (20% ee and 10% ee, respectively). Conversely, when the substituent at the C-4 position was an electronwithdrawing nitro group, the product exhibited the optimal yield (90%) and excellent enantioselectivity (97% ee). When R^2 was a naphthyl group, the reaction still proceeded with a high yield $(87%)$ and excellent stereoselectivity $(>20:1$ dr, 92% ee) to produce the corresponding product **3la**.

Furthermore, this study also attempted to use a doubly substituted benzene ring at the position of substituent R², resulting in product **3na**. Fortunately, it also exhibited high enantioselectivity (87% ee) and a good yield (75%).

The further expansion of the substrate scope focused on 2-isothiocyanato-1-indanone **2** by introducing substituents R^3 on the benzene ring of 2-isothiocyanato-1-indanone 2. When an electron-withdrawing Br group was introduced at the C-5 position C of the indanone (product **3ac**), compared to introducing an electron-donating methoxy group (product **3ah**), both the yield and enantioselectivity decreased. This may have been due to the strong electron-withdrawing ability of the Br atom, which reduced the reaction activity.

Subsequently, the introduction of halogen atoms at the C-6 position of the indanone was investigated. Among them, the two products substituted by Br (product **3ad**) and F (product **3ae**) both exhibited good yields and excellent stereoselectivities, but the yield and enantioselectivity of the product substituted by Cl (product **3ag**) showed significant declines. When a methoxy group (product **3ab**) and a methyl group (product **3af**) were introduced at the C-6 position of the indanone, both had good yields, but the enantioselectivity of product **3af** was significantly higher than that of **3ab**. The possible reaction mechanism involved the interaction between this type of substrate and the catalyst, and the strong electron-donating property of the methoxy group may have reduced the catalytic activity of the catalyst.

2.3. Scaled-Up Synthesis

To demonstrate the synthetic applicability of this asymmetric Mannich/cyclization reaction strategy, a gram-scale preparation reaction was carried out under the optimized conditions selected. The experimental results indicated that the reaction could still proceed smoothly when scaled up to the gram level, while maintaining a high yield and excellent stereoselectivity (83% yield, >20:1 dr, 95% ee) (Scheme [3\)](#page-6-0). This effectively validated the potential application value of this strategy in the large-scale asymmetric synthesis of such benzothiazolimine derivatives.

Scheme 3. Scaled-up synthesis of **3aa. Scheme 3.** Scaled-up synthesis of **3aa**. **Scheme 3.** Scaled-up synthesis of **3aa.**

2.4. X-Ray Diffraction Analysis 2.4. X-ray Diffraction Analysis 2.4. X-Ray Diffraction Analysis

To determine the absolute configuration of the Mannich/cyclization reaction product, single crystals of compound 3ab were obtained through recrystallization from a mixture of ethyl acetate and petroleum ether (2:1). Utilizing single-crystal X-ray diffraction analysis, the crystal data and structural refinement were obtained, which confirmed the absolute configuration of 3ab to be (2'R, 5S) (Figure [3\)](#page-6-1) [[26\]](#page-15-13) (see Supplementary Materials). The absolute configurations of the other products were assigned by analogy. absolute configurations of the other products were assigned by analogy. absolute configurations of the other products were assigned by analogy.

2.5. Plausible Mechanism **Figure 3.** X-ray crystal structure of **3ab**. **Figure 3.** X-ray crystal structure of **3ab**.

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Based on the absolute configuration of 3ab, a reasonable asymmetric catalytic reaction mechanism was proposed to better understand this asymmetric Mannich/cyclization reaction (Scheme [4\)](#page-7-0). Catalyst C7 enhanced the electrophilicity of (E) -N-(benzo[d]thiazol b_1 b_2 b_3 and b_4 and b_5 and activited 2-isothiocyano-1-independent portion b_4 and c_5 the third aming the salt structure amine salt structure through the satisfied and interaction and interactions to form a transmission in the catalust dependented 22 and combined in $\frac{1}{2}$ sition state $\frac{1}{2}$ of substrate $\frac{1}{2}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ of $\frac{1}{2}$ through the C-2 of $\frac{1}{2}$ through the C-2 of $\frac{1}{2}$ through the C-2 of $\frac{1}{2}$ through the Regularity of $\frac{1}{2}$ for $\frac{1}{2}$ surface and underwent Mannich reaction. The number of $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ addition addition addition addition and $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ sition state A. Subsequently, the C-2 of substrate 2a attacked substrate 1a through the Re 2-yl)-1-phenylimine (**1a**) and activated 2-isothiocyano-1-indenone (**2a**) through hydrogen 2-yl)-1-phenylimine (**1a**) and activated 2-isothiocyano-1-indenone (**2a**) through hydrogen bonding. The tertiary amine portion in the catalyst deprotonated **2a** and combined with bonding. The tertiary amine portion in the catalyst deprotonated **2a** and combined with thiourea amine salts through hydrogen bonding and ion pair interactions to form a tran-thiourea amine salts through hydrogen bonding and ion pair interactions to form a transurface and underwent Mannich reaction. Then, intramolecular cyclization addition was carried out through intermediate **B** to obtain intermediate **C**. Finally, the anionic intermediate **C** was protonated to produce the desired product **3aa**, while simultaneously releasing catalyst **C7** into the next catalytic cycle.

Scheme 4. Proposed reaction mechanism.

3. Conclusions

In summary, we have developed an efficient and practical Mannich/cyclization reaction method for the asymmetric synthesis of spirocyclic benzothiazolimine derivatives. This reaction afforded chiral spiro heterocycles with two consecutive stereocenters in high yields (up to 90%) with excellent stereoselectivities (up to >20:1 dr and 98% ee), while integrating two privileged scaffolds beneficial for drug discovery. Meanwhile, the gram-scale preparation was also carried out with retained yield and stereoselectivity.

4. Materials and Methods

4.1. General Information

Chemical reagents were purchased from commercial sources and used without further purification unless mentioned otherwise. Reactions were monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC). Column chromatography separation was performed using 200~300 mesh silica gel. Melting points of solids were determined with a WRX-4 melting-point apparatus (Shanghai YiCe Apparatus & Equipment Co., Ltd., Shanghai, China). Enantiomeric excesses were determined using chiral HPLC analysis on an Agilent 1200 LC instrument (Beijing, China) with a Daicel Chiralpak IA, ADH or IC column. ¹H NMR spectra were measured with a Bruker Ascend 400 MHz spectrometer (Karlsurhe, Germany), and chemical shifts $(δ, ppm)$ were reported relative to tetramethyl silane (TMS) as the internal standard. 13 C NMR spectra were measured at 100 MHz with a 400 MHz spectrometer, and chemical shifts are reported as ppm referenced to solvent residue peak (CDCl₃, δ C = 77.00; DMSO $d₆$, δ C = 39.43). High-resolution mass spectra (EESI) were measured using an Agilent 6520 Accurate-Mass Q-TOF MS system (Beijing, China). Optical rotations were measured with a Krüss P8000 polarimeter (Beijing, China), and data are reported as follows: $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ (*c* g/100 mL, solvent).

4.2. Materials

Compounds **1a**–**1n** were prepared according to the literature, as reported by Ni et al. [\[18\]](#page-15-5), and **2a**–**2h** were prepared according to [\[27\]](#page-15-14). The chiral organocatalysts were prepared following the procedures reported in [\[28,](#page-15-15)[29\]](#page-15-16).

4.3. Procedure for the Asymmetric Synthesis of Compound **3**

To a dried small glass bottle were added 2-benzothiazolimine **1** (0.10 mmol), 2 isothiocyanato-1-indanone **2** (0.12 mmol), and the chiral organocatalyst **C7** (5.65 mg, 10%mmol), and then dissolved in DCM (1.0 mL). The mixture was stirred at −18 ◦C for 12–24 h. After completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture was concentrated and directly purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1) to afford the pure product **3** as a white solid. Racemates were prepared following a similar procedure with Et_3N (20 mol%).

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5-phenyl-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H)-one* (**3aa**). Initially, **1a** (23.8 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2a** (22.7 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 31.2 mg (79% yield) of compound **3aa** as a white solid, m.p. 239–241 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IA, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 70:30, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 17.1$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 8.8$ min (minor enantiomer); 98% *ee*. $[α]_D^{25} = -449.0 (c = 0.40, CH_2Cl_2)$. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.82 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.70 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.62 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.54 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.44 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.38–7.29 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.26 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.24–7.18 (m, 4H, ArH + NH), 6.10 (s, 1H, CH), 3.00 (dd, *J*¹ = 17.8 Hz, *J*² = 7.6 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.85 (dd, *J* = 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH₂) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 201.0, 179.7, 157.5, 149.9, 148.2, 136.4, 136.1, 132.7, 132.5, 129.0, 128.9, 128.7, 127.1, 126.3, 125.7, 125.6, 123.8, 121.2, 120.9, 70.6, 70.3, 34.9 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for C₂₄H₁₈N₃OS₂ [M $+ H$]⁺ 428.0886, found 428.0890.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-6*′ *-methoxy-5-phenyl-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3ab**). Initially, **1a** (23.8 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2b** (26.3mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 30.8 mg (77% yield) of compound **3ab** as a white solid, m.p. 246–248 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak ADH, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 11.6$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 10.2$ min (minor enantiomer); 53% *ee*. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -998.4$ (*c* = 0.28, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.73 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.36–7.27 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.25–7.19 (m,

5H, ArH), 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.84 (s, 1H, NH), 6.11 (s, 1H, CH), 3.84 (s, 3H, CH3), 2.87 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.78 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H, CH₂) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3) δ 200.7, 169.3, 166.2, 160.1, 151.5, 143.6, 134.7, 133.2, 131.2, 130.2, 129.3, 129.0, 128.8, 127.1, 126.4, 125.9, 125.7, 122.2, 120.9, 118.7, 105.8, 89.4, 55.7, 35.3 ppm. HRMS (ESI): *m*/*z* calcd. for $C_{25}H_{20}N_3O_2S_2$ [M + H]⁺ 458.0991, found 458.0953.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5*′ *-bromo-5-phenyl-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3ac**). Initially, **1a** (23.8 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2c** (31.9 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 27.9 mg (72% yield) of compound **3ac** as a white solid, m.p. 243–245 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak ADH, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 9.8$ min (major enantiomer), $t_{\rm R}$ = 12.5 min (minor enantiomer); 70% *ee*. $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -238.7 (*c* = 0.15, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3): δ 7.86 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (d, = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.65 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.38–7.29 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.25–7.19 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.83 (s, 1H, NH), 6.12 (s, 1H, CH), 2.95 (d, *J* = 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.87 (d, *J* = 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH2) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3): δ 201.0, 179.8, 157.5, 149.9, 148.3, 136.4, 136.1, 132.8, 132.6, 130.9, 129.0, 128.9, 128.7, 126.3, 125.7, 125.6, 123.8, 122.3, 121.2, 120.9, 70.6, 70.3, 34.9 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for C₂₄H₁₇N₃O₃S₂ [M-Br]⁺ 428.0886, found 428.0853.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-6*′ *-bromo-5-phenyl-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3ad**)**.** Initially, **1a** (23.8 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2d** (31.9mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 28.0mg (72% yield) of compound **3ad** as a white solid, m.p. 257–259 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IA, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 70:30, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 15.6$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 8.3$ min (minor enantiomer); 94% *ee*. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -776.2$ (*c* = 0.50, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.81 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.61 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.54 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.35–7.29 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.27–7.18 (m, 4H, ArH + NH), 6.10 (s, 1H, CH), 2.98 (d, *J* = 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.84 (d, *J* = 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH2) ppm. ¹³C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl3) δ 201.1, 179.6, 157.5, 149.9, 148.2, 136.4, 136.0, 132.7, 132.5, 129.0, 128.9, 128.6, 126.3, 125.64, 125.57, 123.7, 121.1, 120.8, 70.7, 70.2, 34.9 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for C₂₄H₁₇BrN₃O₃S₂ [M + H]⁺ 505.9991, found 505.9969.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-6*′ *-fluoro-5-phenyl-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3ae**). Initially, **1a** (23.8 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2e** (24.8 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 29.5 mg (73% yield) of compound **3ae** as a white solid, m.p. 277–279 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak ADH, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 70:30, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 24.0$ min (major enantiomer), $t_{\rm R}$ = 14.7 min (minor enantiomer); 84% *ee*. $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -418.6 (*c* = 0.55, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3): δ 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.47 (dd, *J* = 7.0, 2.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.39–7.31 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.30–7.26 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.24–7.20 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.99 (s, 1H, NH), 6.11 (s, 1H, CH), 2.92 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.83 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 200.4, 179.6, 162.7 (¹J_{C–F} = 249.0 Hz), 157.4, 148.1, 145.4, 135.9, 134.2 (³ *J*C–F = 7.4 Hz), 132.6, 129.1 (⁴ *J*C–F = 5.5 Hz), 127.8 (³ *J*C–F = 7.9 Hz), 125.7, 124.2 (² *J*C–F = 23.5 Hz), 123.8, 121.2, 120.9, 111.3 (² *J*C–F = 22.0 Hz), 77.2, 71.3, 70.2, 34.4 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for C₂₄H₁₇FN₃OS₂ [M + H]⁺ 446.0792, found 446.0763.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-6*′ *-methyl-5-phenyl-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3af**). Initially, **1a** (23.8 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2f** (24.4 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 31.5 mg (78% yield) of compound **3af** as a white solid, m.p. 249–251 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak ADH, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 70:30, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 18.6$ min (major enantiomer),

 $t_{\rm R}$ = 12.8 min (minor enantiomer); 90% *ee*. $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = -330.0 (*c* = 0.33, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3): δ 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.64 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.46 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.36–7.27 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.23–7.15 (m, 4H, ArH), 6.69 (s, 1H, NH), 6.11 (s, 1H, CH), 2.88 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.80 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.43 (s, 3H, CH3) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3): δ 201.0, 179.7, 157.5, 148.3, 147.2, 138.9, 137.7, 136.2, 132.7, 132.6, 129.0, 128.9, 126.0, 125.6, 125.4, 123.7, 121.2, 120.9, 71.0, 70.3, 34.6, 21.1 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for C₂₅H₂₀N₃OS₂ [M + H]⁺ 442.1042, found 442.1008.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-6*′ *-chloro-5-phenyl-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3ag**). Initially, **1a** (23.8 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2g** (26.8 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 26.9 mg (69% yield) of compound **3ag** as a white solid, m.p. 239–241 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IA, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 70:30, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 15.7$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 8.3$ min (minor enantiomer); 21% *ee*. [α] $^{25}_{D}$ = -576.9 (*c* = 0.35, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.85 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.65 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.46 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.37–7.29 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.23–7.19 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.07 (s, 1H, NH), 6.11 (s, 1H, CH), 2.97 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.86 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H, CH2) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3): δ 200.9, 179.7, 157.4, 149.8, 148.2, 136.4, 136.1, 132.7, 132.6, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 126.4, 125.7, 125.6, 123.8, 121.2, 120.9, 70.6, 70.3, 34.9 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for C₂₄H₁₇ClN₃OS₂ [M + H]⁺ 462.0497, found 462.0494.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5*′ *-methoxy-5-phenyl-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3ah**). Initially, **1a** (23.8 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2h** (26.3mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 30.8 mg (77% yield) of compound **3ah** as a white solid, m.p. 236–238 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IC, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 9.04$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 12.26$ min (minor enantiomer); 83% *ee*. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -94.2$ (*c* = 0.55, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.55 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.36–7.27 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.22 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 5H, ArH), 7.17 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.06 (s, 1H, NH), 6.10 (s, 1H, CH), 3.83 (s, 3H, CH3), 2.88 (d, *J* = 17.4 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.77 (d, *J* = 17.4 Hz, 1H, CH2) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3): δ 200.9, 179.8, 160.3, 157.5, 148.3, 142.7, 136.2, 133.7, 132.8, 129.0, 128.4, 127.1, 125.9, 125.7, 123.8, 121.2, 120.9, 106.5, 71.3, 70.4, 55.8, 34.4 ppm. HRMS (ESI): *m*/*z* calcd. for $C_{25}H_{20}N_3O_2S_2$ [M + H]⁺ 458.0992, found 458.0959.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(6-Chlorobenzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5-phenyl-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H)-one* (**3ba**). Initially, **1b** (27.2 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2a** (22.7mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 30.2 mg (79% yield) of compound **3ba** as a white solid, m.p. 243–245 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IC, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 90:10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 25.3$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 48.9$ min (minor enantiomer); 40% *ee*. $[α]_D^{25} = -94.2$ (*c* = 0.55, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.68–7.63 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.49–7.44 m, 2H, ArH), 7.38–7.32 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.29 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.25–7.20 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.90 (s, 1H, NH), 6.07 (s, 1H, CH), 2.96 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.87 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH2) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3): δ 200.9, 179.7, 157.8, 149.9, 146.9, 136.6, 135.9, 133.9, 132.5, 129.14, 129.11, 129.0, 128.8, 126.4, 126.3, 125.7, 122.0, 120.4, 70.6, 70.3, 34.9 ppm. HRMS (ESI): *m*/*z* calcd. for $C_{24}H_{17}CIN_3OS_2$ [M + H]⁺ 462.0497, found 462.0459.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(6-Methoxybenzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5-phenyl-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3ca**). Initially, **1c** (26.8 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2a** (22.7 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 37.9 mg (83% yield) of compound **3ca** as a white solid, m.p. 257–259 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IC, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 12.2$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 20.1$ min (minor

enantiomer); 97% *ee*. $[α]_D^{25} = -94.7$ (*c* = 0.48, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.82 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.74–7.45 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.46–7.41 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.33–7.27 (m, 3H, ArH + NH), 7.22–7.13 (m, 4H, ArH), 6.87 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 2.8 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.06 (s, 1H, CH), 3.81 (s, 3H, CH3), 2.96 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.83 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH2) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3): δ 200.9, 179.6, 156.7, 155.5, 149.8, 142.6, 136.4, 136.1, 134.0, 132.6, 129.0, 128.9, 128.7, 126.3, 125.6, 121.8, 114.6, 103.8, 70.6, 70.3, 55.8, 35.0 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for $C_{25}H_{20}N_3O_2S_2$ [M + H]⁺ 458.0991, found 458.0961.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3da**). Initially, **1d** (26.8 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2a** (22.7 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 30.5 mg (81% yield) of compound **3da** as a white solid, m.p. 197–199 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IIC, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 7.5$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 9.4$ min (minor enantiomer); 8% *ee*. $[α]_D^{25} = -27.1$ (*c* = 0.70, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.86 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.68–7.63 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.32–7.27 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.25–7.20 (m, 2H, ArH), 6.85–6.80 (m, 2H, ArH), 6.74 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.66 (s, 1H, NH), 6.08 (s, 1H, CH), 3.68 (s, 3H, CH3), 2.96 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.96 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.91 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH2) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3): δ 201.0, 179.6, 160.0, 157.5, 150.0, 148.3, 137.6, 136.4, 132.8, 132.5, 130.2, 128.7, 126.4, 125.64, 125.60, 123.8, 121.2, 120.9, 114.2, 70.6, 70.2, 55.2, 34.9 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for C₂₅H₂₀N₃O₂S₂ [M + H]⁺ 458.0991, found 458.0956.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5-(4-methylphenyl)-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3ea**). Initially, **1e** (25.2 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2a** (22.7 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 32.0 mg (85% yield) of compound **3ea** as a white solid, m.p. 234–236 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IC, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 7.0$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 9.3$ min (minor enantiomer); 20% *ee*. $[α]_D^{25} = -52.8$ (*c* = 0.30, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.85 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.65 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.31–7.26 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.23–7.19 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.14–7.10 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.67 (s, 1H, NH), 6.09 (s, 1H, CH), 2.95 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.90 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H, CH₂), 2.31 (s, 3H, CH₃) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 201.0, 179.8, 157.5, 149.9, 148.3, 138.8, 136.4, 133.1, 132.8, 132.6, 129.7, 128.7, 126.4, 125.6, 123.7, 121.2, 120.9, 70.7, 70.2, 34.9, 21.2 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for C₂₅H₂₀N₃OS₂ [M + H]⁺ 442.1042, found 442.1007.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3fa**). Initially, **1f** (25.6 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2a** (22.7 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 27.9mg (73% yield) of compound **3fa** as a white solid, m.p. 228–220 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IC, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 6.9$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 7.8$ min (minor enantiomer); 88% *ee*. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -321.5$ (*c* = 0.80, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.82 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.63 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.43 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.32–7.27 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.24–7.15 (m, 3H, ArH + NH), 7.11 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.53 (s, 1H, CH), 3.03 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.96 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH2) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 200.7, 179.5, 160.4 (¹J_{C–F} = 246.3 Hz), 157.0, 150.0, 148.2, 136.5, 132.7, 132.3, 130.4 (³ *J*C–F = 8.0 Hz), 128.6, 126.8, 126.2, 125.7, 125.6, 125.1 (⁴ *J*C–F = 3.2 Hz), 123.8, 123.4 (²J_{C–F} = 13.4 Hz), 121.3, 120.8, 115.5 (²J_{C–F} = 21.1 Hz), 70.2, 63.3, 34.8 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for $C_{24}H_{17}FN_3OS_2$ [M + H]⁺ 446.0792, found 446.0759.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5-(2-bromophenyl)-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3ga**). Initially, **1g** (31.6 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2a** (22.7 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 25.8 mg (70% yield) of compound **3ga** as a white solid, m.p. 210–212 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IC, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 95:5, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 24.6$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 27.2$ min (minor enantiomer); 96% *ee*. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -371.4$ (*c* = 0.48, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3): δ 7.84 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.67–7.62 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.59–7.56 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.45 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.34–7.27 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.25–7.15 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.91 (s, 1H, NH), 6.66 (s, 1H, CH), 2.96 (ABq, *J* = 18.4 Hz, 2H, CH2) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3): δ 200.7, 179.3, 156.9, 150.6, 148.3, 136.5, 135.6, 133.0, 132.7, 132.4, 130.1, 128.7, 128.4, 127.0, 126.3, 125.7, 125.5, 124.0, 123.8, 121.5, 120.8, 70.1, 69.0, 35.2 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for $C_{24}H_{17}^{79}BrN_3OS_2$ [M + H]⁺ 505.9991, found 505.9948; calcd. for $C_{24}H_{17}{}^{81}BrN_3OS_2$ [M + H]⁺ 507.9971, found 507.9930.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5-(3-methylphenyl)-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3ha**). Initially, **1h** (25.2 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2a** (22.7 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 29.8 mg (80% yield) of compound **3ha** as a white solid, m.p. 167–169 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IC, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 7.6$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 10.3$ min (minor enantiomer); 50% *ee*. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -128.5$ (*c* = 1.25, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 (t, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.63–7.54 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.45–7.39 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.29–7.26 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.22–7.17 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.10 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.04 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H, ArH + NH), 6.09 (s, 1H, CH), 2.98 (dd, *J* = 17.8, 7.2 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.84 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.30 (s, 3H, CH3) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3) δ 201.3, 179.5, 157.5, 150.1, 148.2, 138.8, 136.3, 135.9, 132.7, 132.4, 129.7, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 126.3, 126.2, 125.6, 125.5, 123.6, 121.14, 121.12, 120.8, 70.7, 70.3, 34.8, 21.4 ppm. HRMS (ESI): *m*/*z* calcd. for $C_{25}H_{20}N_3OS_2$ [M + H]⁺ 442.1043, found 442.1010.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5-(3-bromophenyl)-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3ia**). Initially, **1i** (31.6 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2a** (22.7 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 29.6 mg (73% yield) of compound **3ia** as a white solid, m.p. 134–136 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IC, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 6.9$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 8.8$ min (minor enantiomer); 20% *ee*. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -8.1$ (*c* = 0.15, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.86–7.83 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.86–7.64 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.58 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.47 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.39 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.31 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.24–7.18 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.00 (s, 1H, NH), 6.06 (s, 1H, CH), 3.01 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H, CH2) 2.88 (d, *J* = 18.0 Hz, 1H, CH2) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3): δ 200.7, 179.4, 157.2, 149.8, 148.1, 138.4, 136.6, 136.3, 132.7, 132.3, 132.1, 131.8, 130.6, 128.8, 127.0, 126.4, 125.7, 125.6, 123.9, 121.2, 120.9, 70.5, 69.5, 34.9 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for $C_{24}H_{17}^{79}BrN_3OS_2 [M + H]^+$ 505.9991, found 505.9943; calcd. for $C_{24}H_{17}{}^{81}BrN_3OS_2$ [M + H]⁺ 507.9971, found 507.9927.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3ja**). Initially, **1j** (27.2 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2a** (22.7 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 26.9 mg (69% yield) of compound **3ja** as a white solid, m.p. 227–229 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak ADH, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 20.1$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 17.6$ min (minor enantiomer); 38% *ee*. $[α]_D^{25} = -39.4$ (*c* = 1.60, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.85 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.75–7.64 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.55–7.46 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.32–7.28 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.24 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.93 (s, 1H, NH), 6.15 (s, 1H, CH), 3.05–2.73 (m, 2H, CH₂) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 200.6, 179.5, 157.0, 150.5, 148.3, 136.5, 134.0, 133.8, 132.8, 132.4, 129.8, 129.7, 128.7, 127.9, 126.8, 126.3, 125.7, 125.5,

123.8, 121.5, 120.9, 70.1, 66.7, 35.1 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for C₂₄H₁₇ClN₃OS₂ [M + H]⁺ 462.0497, found 462.0461.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3ka**). Initially, **1k** (26.8 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2a** (22.7 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 32.4 mg (84% yield) of compound **3ka** as a white solid, m.p. 242–245 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak ADH, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 54.9$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 18.1$ min (minor enantiomer); 10% *ee*. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -50.4$ (*c* = 1.25, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.78 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.69 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.63–7.54 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.30–7.25 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.21–7.14 (m, 3H, ArH), 6.84 (s, 1H, ArH), 6.82 (s, 1H, NH), 6.04 (s, 1H, CH), 3.74 (s, 3H, CH3), 3.02 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.89 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H, CH2) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3): δ 201.3, 179.5, 159.8, 157.5, 150.0, 148.2, 136.3, 132.7, 132.5, 131.1, 128.5, 128.0, 126.3, 125.6, 125.5, 123.7, 121.1, 120.8, 114.3, 70.8, 70.0, 55.2, 34.7 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for C₂₅H₂₀N₃O₂S₂ [M + H]⁺ 458.0991, found 458.0957.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5-(naphthalen-2-yl)-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3la**). Initially, **1l** (28.8 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2a** (22.7 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 33.8 mg (87% yield) of compound **3la** as a white solid, m.p. 162–164 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IC, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 8.1$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 11.3$ min (minor enantiomer); 92% *ee*. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -371.0$ (*c* = 0.40, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.85–7.78 (m, 4H, ArH), 7.74 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.69 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz 1H, ArH), 7.62–7.58 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.52–7.42 (m, 4H), 7.35–7.27 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.24–7.14 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.10 (s, 1H, NH), 6.29 (s, 1H, CH), 2.98 (d, *J* = 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.87 (d, *J* = 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH2) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 201.1, 179.7, 157.5, 149.9, 148.2, 136.4, 133.5, 133.4, 133.1, 132.7, 132.5, 129.2, 128.7, 128.2, 127.7, 126.62, 126.59, 126.3, 125.6, 123.8, 121.1, 120.8, 70.7, 70.5, 35.1 ppm. HRMS (ESI): m/z calcd. for $C_{28}H_{20}N_3OS_2$ [M + H]⁺ 478.1043, found 478.1006.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5-(4-nitrophenyl)-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]-1*′ *(3*′*H) one* (**3ma**). Initially, **1m** (28.3 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2a** (22.7 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 34.5 mg (90% yield) of compound **3ma** as a white solid, m.p. 182–184 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak IC, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 12.0$ min (major enantiomer), $t_R = 16.9$ min (minor enantiomer); 97% *ee*. $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -633.4$ (*c* = 0.43, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-*d*6): δ 10.45 (s, 1H, NH), 8.29 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H, ArH), 7.95 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.80 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.76–7.72 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.68–7.61 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.54–7.48 (m, 3H, ArH), 7.36–7.32 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.29–7.25 (m, 1H, ArH), 6.42 (s, 1H, CH), 3.01 (d, *J* = 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH2), 2.81 (d, *J* = 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH2) ppm. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-*d*⁶ + CD3OD): δ 201.5, 178.3, 157.5, 151.2, 147.8, 147.7, 144.5, 136.4, 132.9, 132.0, 128.5, 126.8, 126.4, 124.8, 124.2, 124.0, 121.6, 120.6, 69.5, 67.9, 34.5 ppm. HRMS (ESI): *m*/*z* calcd. for $C_{24}H_{17}N_4O_3S_2$ [M + H]⁺ 473.0737, found 473.0707.

(2′*R,5S)-1-(Benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)-5-(2,5-dichlorophenyl)-2-thioxospiro[imidazolidine-4,2*′ *-inden]- 1* ′ *(3*′*H)-one* (**3na**). Initially, **1n** (30.6 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **2a** (22.7 mg, 0.12 mmol) were purified by silica gel (200–300 mesh) column chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (2/1) as eluent to obtain 30.9 mg (75% yield) of compound **3na** as a white solid, m.p. 268–270 ◦C. HPLC (Daicel Chiralpak ADH, *n*-hexane/isopropanol = 80:20, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, detection at 254 nm): major diastereomer: $t_R = 23.99$ min (major enantiomer), $t_{\rm R}$ = 38.01 min (minor enantiomer); 87% *ee*. $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ = −275.1 (*c* = 0.64, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3) δ 7.80 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.63 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.57 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.44–7.41 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.35–7.28 (m,

3H, ArH + NH), 7.25–7.18 (m, 2H, ArH), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.58 (s, 1H, CH), 3.02 $(d, J = 18.0 \text{ Hz}, 1H, CH₂), 2.91 (d, J = 18.0 \text{ Hz}, 1H, CH₂)$ ppm. ¹³C NMR (176 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 200.4, 179.2, 156.8, 150.3, 148.2, 136.6, 135.1, 134.5, 132.72, 132.68, 132.2, 129.6, 128.8, 128.3, 127.8, 126.3, 125.8, 125.6, 124.0, 121.5, 120.9, 70.0, 66.2, 35.0 ppm. HRMS (ESI): *m*/*z* calcd. for $C_{24}H_{16}Cl_2N_3OS_2$ [M + H]⁺ 496.0107, found 496.0091.

4.4. Procedure for the Scaled-Up Synthesis of Compound **3aa**

Initially, 2-benzothiazolimine **1a** (714 mg, 3.0 mmol), 2-isothiocyanate-1-indanone **2a** (680.4 mg, 3.6 mmol), and the chiral organocatalyst **C7** (159.5 mg, 0.3 mmol, 0.1 equiv) were added to a 100 mL dry round-bottom flask and dissolved in 40 mL of dichloromethane. After stirring at −18 ◦C for 14 h, the reaction mixture was concentrated and directly purified by silica gel column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 2:1) to afford the desired product **3aa** as a white solid (1.06 g, 83% yield) with >20:1 dr and 95% ee.

Supplementary Materials: The following supporting information can be downloaded at: [https:](https://www.mdpi.com/article/10.3390/molecules29132958/s1) [//www.mdpi.com/article/10.3390/molecules29132958/s1,](https://www.mdpi.com/article/10.3390/molecules29132958/s1) Spectroscopic data (¹H and ¹³C NMR), X-ray single-crystal data and chiral HPLC chromatograms for all new compounds **3**.

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