

### **Supporting Information**

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# Dithiocarbamate Group Transfer Cyclization Reactions of Carbamoyl Radicals under "Tin-Free" Conditions

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#### **GENERAL EXPERIMENTAL**

All solvents and reagents were used as received. All reactions were carried out in oven-dried glassware under nitrogen atmosphere. Infra-red spectra were recorded on a Fourier transform IR spectrometer. <sup>1</sup>H NMR were recorded using a 360 MHz spectrometer in deuterochloroform referenced to TMS (0 ppm) or CHCl<sub>3</sub> (7.26 ppm). Chemical shifts are in parts per million (ppm). Coupling constants are in Hertz (*J* Hz). The following abbreviations are used: s-singlet, br. s-broad singlet, d-doublet, dd-double doublet, t-triplet, m-multiplet. <sup>13</sup>C NMR were recorded at 90 or 100 MHz in deuterochloroform using CDCl<sub>3</sub> (77.0 ppm) as standard. Chemical shifts are in parts per million (ppm). Mass spectra were recorded by electron impact (EI) or chemical ionization (CI). High resolution mass spectra were recorded using electron spray ionization (ESI). Analytical TLC was carried out on Merck (aluminium sheets) silica gel plates using short wave (254 nm) UV light, KMnO<sub>4</sub> and anisaldehyde to visualise components. Silica gel (silica gel 60, 230-400 mesh, Merck) was used for flash column chromatography.

Dithiocarbonic acid S-(1-benzyl-2-oxo-pyrrolidin-3-ylmethyl) ester O-(2,2-dimethyl-propyl) ester (4a)

A solution of **1a** (52 mg, 0.15 mmol) in toluene (2 mL) was degassed with a nitrogen stream for 15 min. and exposed to visible light while refluxing. After 1 h the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude purified by column chromatography (hexane / EtOAc 80:20) to give lactam **4a** (35 mg, 67%).

**4a**:  $v_{max}$  (neat)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 3459, 2959, 2871, 2243, 1689, 1431, 1224, 1069, 910, 732;  $δ_H$  (360 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 0.95 (9H, s), 1.72-1.80 (1H, m), 2.12-2.21 (1H, m), 2.80-2.88 (1H, m), 3.11-3.23 (2H, m), 3.20 (1H, dd, J = 13.7, 8.3 Hz), 3.70 (1H, dd, J = 13.7, 4.5 Hz), 4.19 (2H, s), 4.39 (2H, s), 7.14-7.27 (5H, m);  $δ_C$  (90 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>; DEPT) 24.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 31.8 (C), 36.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 41.4 (CH), 44.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 46.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 83.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 127.6 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 136.2 (C), 173.9 (C), 214.5 (C); m/z (EI) 351 (M<sup>+</sup>; 4), 220 (14), 188 (100), 174 (23); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>Na (M+Na): 374.1219; found 374.1222.

#### Diethyl-dithiocarbamic acid 1-benzyl-2-oxo-azetidin-3-ylmethyl ester (11)

According to the representative cyclization procedure (method A), a solution of **10** (249 mg, 0.77 mmol) cyclohexane (7.5 mL) was degassed and exposed to visible light while refluxing. After 8 h the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude purified by column chromatography (hexane / EtOAc 90:10) to give lactam **11** (174 mg, 70%).

11:  $v_{max}$  (neat)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 3480, 2975, 1732, 1489, 1417, 1355, 1300, 1206, 1144, 983, 700;  $\delta_{H}$  (360 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.15-1.21 (6H, m), 2.98 (1H, dd, J = 5.9, 2.2 Hz), 3.17-3.20 (1H, m), 3.53-3.68 (4H, m), 3.72-3.79 (1H, m), 3.90-3.95 (2H, m), 4.32 (1H, d, J = 15.0 Hz), 4.45 (1H, d, J = 15.0 Hz), 7.25-7.37 (5H, m);  $\delta_{C}$  (90 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>; DEPT) 11.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 12.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 35.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 46.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 48.7 (CH), 49.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 127.6 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 135.4 (C), 168.2 (C), 194.4 (C); m/z (EI) 322 (M<sup>+</sup>; 14), 174 (100), 147 (31), 117 (17), 91 (81); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS<sub>2</sub>Na (M+Na): 345.1066; found 345.1055.

#### Diethyl-dithiocarbamic acid 7-benzyl-8-oxo-7-aza-bicyclo[4.2.0]oct-2-yl ester (13)

According to the representative cyclization procedure (method A), a solution of **12** (283 mg, 0.78 mmol) in cyclohexane (8 mL) was degassed and exposed to visible light while refluxing. After 1 h the solvent was removed under reduced pressure to give lactam **13** (261 mg, 92%).

13:  $v_{\text{max}}$  (neat)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 3434, 2931, 1746, 1486, 1415, 1267, 1206;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (360 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.26 (6H, t, J = 7.1 Hz), 1.45-1.54 (2H, m), 1.65-1.83 (3H, m), 2.24-2.34 (1H, m), 3.59-3.61 (1H, m), 3.64-3.74 (3H, m), 3.92-4.06 (2H, m), 4.15 (1H, d, J = 15.1 Hz), 4.50-4.54 (1H, m), 4.59 (1H, d, J = 15.1 Hz), 7.23-7.36 (5H, m);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>; DEPT) 11.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 12.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 15.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 21.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 44.1 (CH), 44.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 46.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 49.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 50.1 (CH), 51.9 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 135.8 (C), 167.8 (C), 193.4 (C); m/z (EI) 362 (M<sup>+</sup>; 13), 214 (100), 149 (27), 116 (57), 81 (62); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS<sub>2</sub>Na (M+Na): 385.1379; found 385.1361.

#### Diethyl-dithiocarbamic acid 1-benzyl-2-oxo-pyrrolidin-3-ylmethyl ester (4b)

$$\begin{array}{c|c} S \\ S \\ O \\ N \\ B \\ \end{array}$$

According to the representative cyclization procedure (method A), a solution of **1b** (870 mg, 2.6 mmol) in cyclohexane (30 mL) was degassed and exposed to visible light while refluxing. After 1 h the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude purified by column chromatography (hexane / EtOAc 70:30 to 60:40) to give lactam **4b** (836 mg, 96%).

**4b**:  $v_{max}$  (neat)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 3468, 2976, 1682, 1489, 1418, 1269, 1206, 1143, 1076, 985, 917, 832, 702;  $\delta_{H}$  (360 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.25-1.31 (6H, m), 1.84-1.95 (1H, m), 2.19-2.22 (1H, m), 2.94-3.02 (1H, m), 3.17-3.21 (2H, m), 3.66 (1H, dd, J = 13.7, 6.7 Hz), 3.71-3.85 (2H, m), 3.91 (1H, dd, J = 13.7, 5.2 Hz), 3.95-4.14 (2H, m), 4.41 (1H, d, J = 14.7 Hz), 4.53 (1H, d, J = 14.7 Hz), 7.23-7.35 (5H, m);  $\delta_{C}$  (90 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>; DEPT) 11.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 12.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 41.7 (CH), 44.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 46.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 46.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 49.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 127.5 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 136.4 (C), 174.7 (C), 195.5 (C); m/z (EI) 337 (M<sup>+</sup>+1; 5), 188 (100), 116 (36), 91 (29); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS<sub>2</sub>Na (M+Na): 359.1222; found 359.1225.

#### Diethyl-dithiocarbamic acid 2-methyl-1-oxo-2-aza-spiro[4.5]dec-6-yl esters (15) and (16)

According to the representative cyclization procedure (method A), a solution of **14** (107 mg, 0.34 mmol) in cyclohexane (4 mL) was degassed and exposed to visible light while refluxing. After 1 h the solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the crude purified by column chromatography (hexane / EtOAc 60:40 to 50:50) to give lactam **15** (14 mg, 13%) followed by lactam **16** (70 mg, 65%).

**15**:  $v_{\text{max}}$  (neat)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 3462, 2932, 2238, 1681, 1487, 1416, 1302, 1267, 1208, 1141;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (360 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.16-1.21 (6H, m), 1.42-1.99 (8H, m), 2.25-2.33 (1H, m), 2.38-2.49 (1H, m), 2.74 (3H, s), 3.12-3.27 (2H, m), 3.65-3.71 (2H, m), 3.93-3.99 (2H, m), 4.22 (1H, dd, J = 12.0, 4.7 Hz);  $\delta_{\text{C}}$  (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>; DEPT) 11.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 12.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 30.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 36.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 46.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 46.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 47.2 (C), 49.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 56.9 (CH), 176.6 (C), 195.7 (C); m/z (EI) 314 (M<sup>+</sup>; 14), 217 (50), 166 (100), 135 (54), 116 (33); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS<sub>2</sub>Na (M+Na): 337.1379; found 337.1391.

**16**:  $v_{\text{max}}$  (neat)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 3454, 2933, 2235, 1689, 1486, 1416, 1268, 1206, 1142, 984, 918;  $\delta_{\text{H}}$  (360 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.15-1.18 (6H, t, J = 7.1 Hz), 1.21-1.87 (7H, m), 1.91-2.05 (2H, m), 2.30-2.34 (1H, m), 2.78

(3H, s), 3.22-3.29 (2H, m), 3.59-3.71 (2H, m), 3.88-3.92 (2H, m), 4.27 (1H, dd, J = 11.5, 3.8 Hz);  $\delta_{\rm C}$  (100 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>; DEPT) 11.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 12.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 31.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 35.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 46.46 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 46.52 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 49.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 49.3 (C), 55.5 (CH), 176.5 (C), 193.6 (C); m/z (EI) 314 (M<sup>+</sup>; 21), 198 (73), 166 (100), 116 (26), 88 (13); HRMS (ESI): calcd for  $C_{15}H_{26}N_2OS_2Na$  (M+Na): 337.1379; found 337.1373.

## Diethyl-dithiocarbamic acid 1-benzyl-2-oxo-piperidin-3-ylmethyl ester (18) and Diethyl-dithiocarbamic acid 1-benzyl-2-oxo-azepan-4-yl ester (19)

According to the representative cyclization procedure (method B), a solution of **17** (320 mg, 0.91 mmol) in cyclohexane (9 mL) was degassed and treated with DLP (40 mg, 0.1 mmol) while refluxing. Two more DLP portions were added respectively after 1.5 and 3 h. After 4.5 h the solvent was removed and the crude purified by column chromatography (hexane / EtOAc 80:20 to 60:40) to give lactam **18** (158 mg, 49%) followed by lactam **19** (28 mg, 9%).

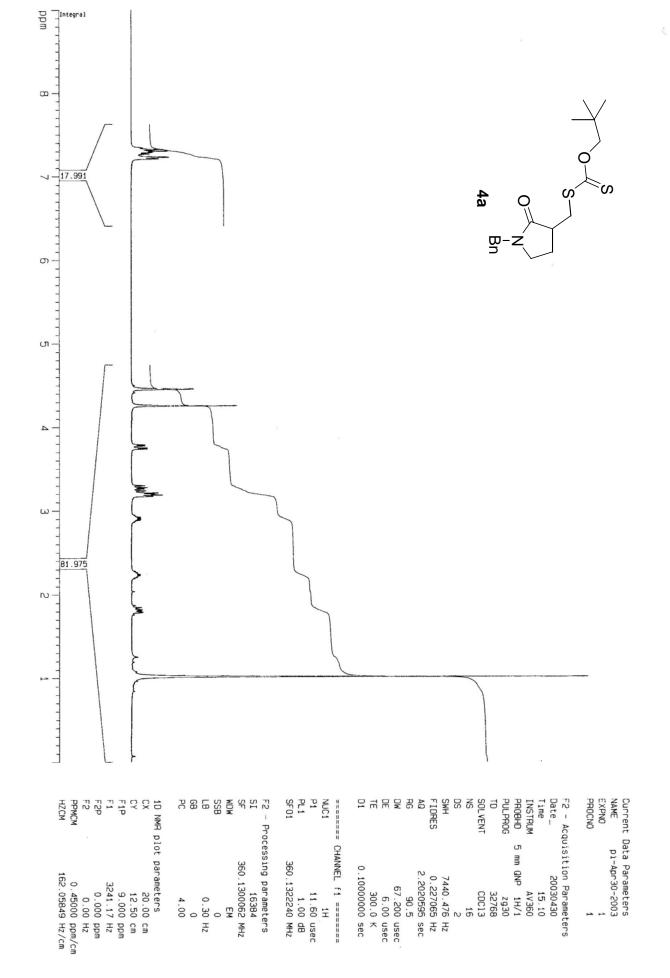
**18**:  $v_{max}$  (neat)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 3413, 2931, 1635, 1488, 1416, 1354, 1268, 1205;  $\delta_{H}$  (360 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.26-1.33 (6H, m), 1.66-1.92 (3H, m), 2.06-2.15 (1H, m), 2.83-2.89 (1H, m), 3.19-3.23 (2H, m), 3.73-3.93 (4H, m), 3.98-4.13 (2H, m), 4.56-4.66 (2H, m), 7.26-7.35 (5H, m);  $\delta_{C}$  (90 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>; DEPT) 11.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 12.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 22.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 39.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.3 (CH), 46.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 47.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 49.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 50.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 127.2 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 137.2 (C), 171.2 (C), 196.2 (C); m/z (EI) 351 (M<sup>+</sup>+1; 6), 202 (100), 116 (57), 91 (96), 60 (25); HRMS (ESI): calcd for  $C_{18}H_{26}N_2OS_2Na$  (M+Na): 373.1379; found 373.1378.

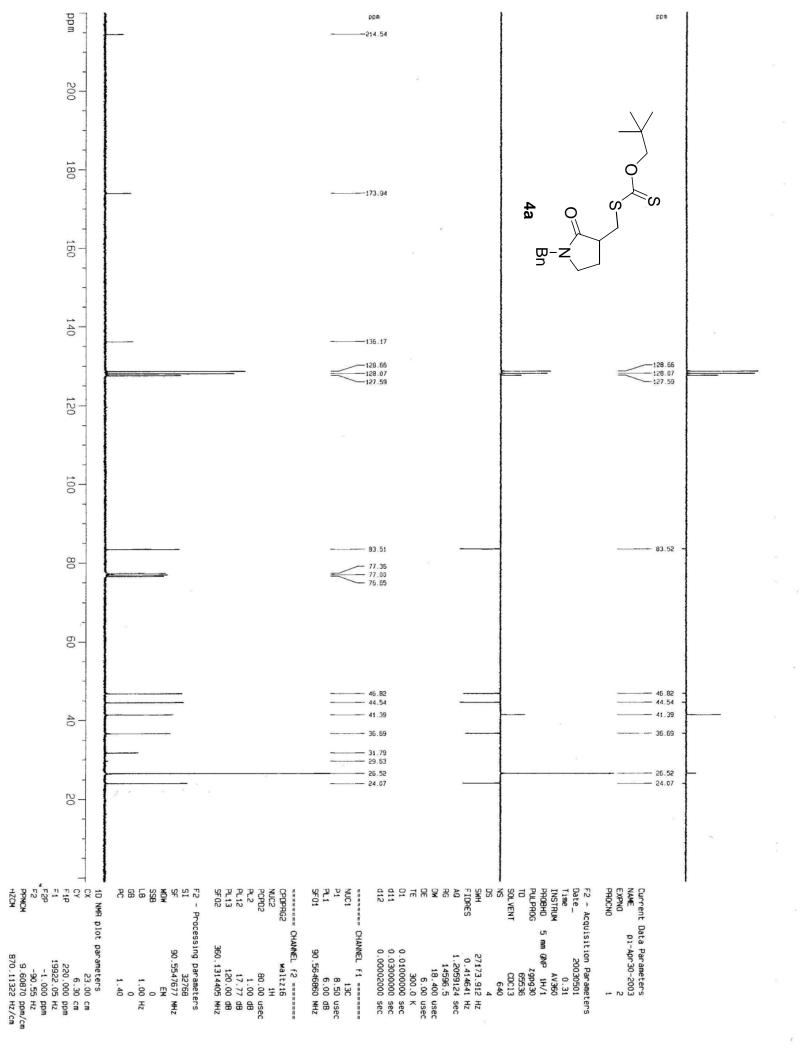
**19**:  $v_{max}$  (neat)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 3445, 2932, 2238, 1643, 1485, 1417, 1355, 1268, 1206, 1142, 915, 731;  $δ_H$  (360 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.18-1.25 (6H, m), 1.53-1.57 (2H, m), 1.91-1.98 (1H, m), 2.05-2.14 (1H, m), 2.93-3.01 (2H, m), 3.20-3.33 (2H, m), 3.59-3.78 (2H, m), 3.85-4.04 (2H, m), 4.29-4.37 (2H, m), 4.72 (1H, d, J = 14.6 Hz), 7.20-7.46 (5H, m);  $δ_C$  (90 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>; DEPT) 11.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 12.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 26.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 35.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.9 (CH), 46.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 48.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 49.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 51.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 127.4 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 137.6 (C), 172.1 (C), 193.7 (C); m/z (CI, NH<sub>3</sub>) 351 (M<sup>+</sup>+1; 100), 253 (10), 204 (68), 165 (23), 149 (31), 118 (58); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS<sub>2</sub>Na (M+Na): 373.1379; found 373.1359.

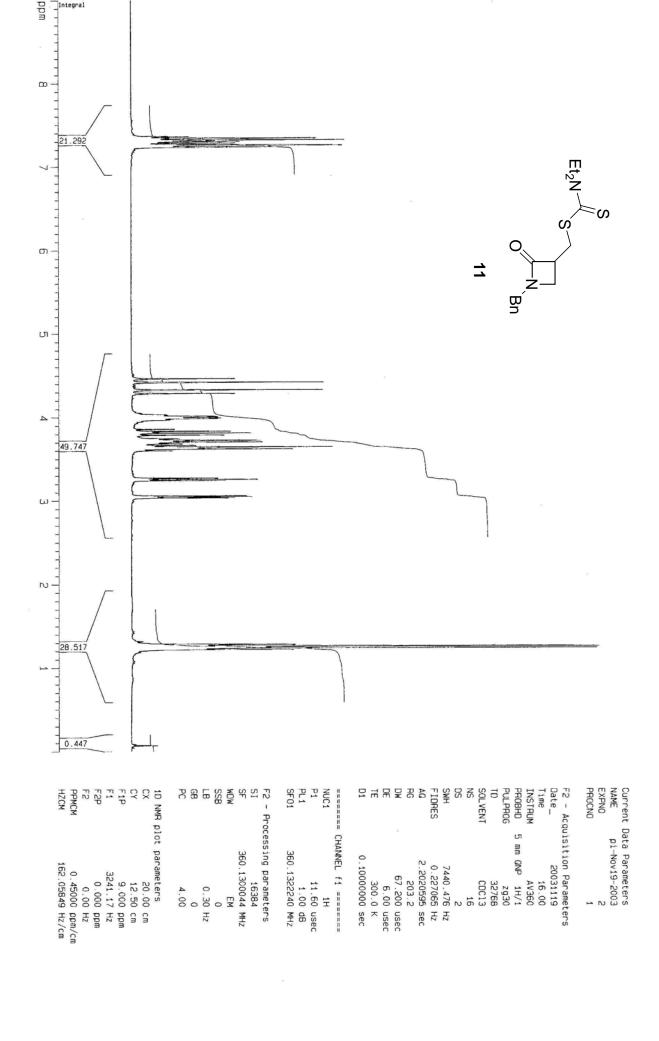
#### Diethyl-dithiocarbamic acid 1-benzyl-2-oxo-azocan-4-yl ester (21)

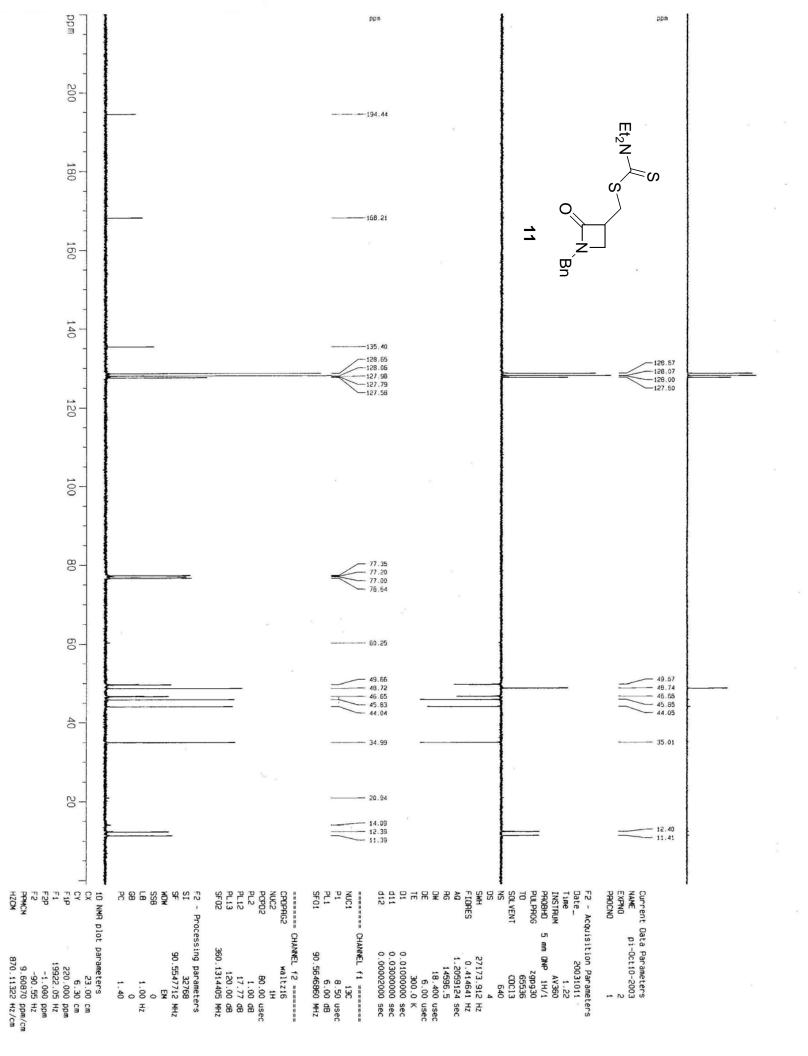
A solution of **20** (315 mg, 0.87 mmol) in chlorobenzene (9 mL) was degassed and treated with DLP (35 mg, 0.09 mmol) while refluxing. Four more DLP portions were added respectively after 2, 4, 6 and 8 h. After 10 h the solvent was removed and the crude purified by column chromatography (hexane / EtOAc 90:10 to 75:25) to give lactam **21** (116 mg, 37%).

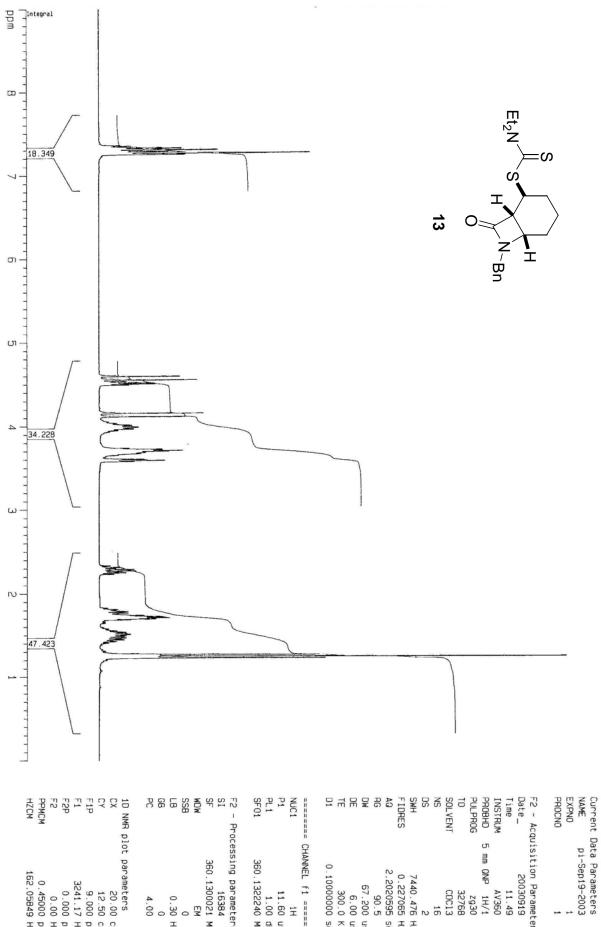
**21**:  $v_{max}$  (neat)/cm<sup>-1</sup> 2931, 1632, 1418, 1356, 1269, 1207, 1140, 984, 753;  $\delta_{H}$  (360 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 1.17-1.22 (6H, m), 1.39-1.60 (3H, m), 1.65-1.79 (2H, m), 2.03-2.10 (1H, m), 2.79 (1H, dd, J = 12.9, 8.2 Hz), 3.05 (1H, dd, J = 12.9, 4.7 Hz), 3.29-3.40 (2H, m), 3.61-3.75 (2H, m), 3.85-4.05 (2H, m), 4.36-4.45 (1H, m), 4.52 (2H, br. s), 7.12-7.26 (5H, m);  $\delta_{C}$  (90 MHz; CDCl<sub>3</sub>; DEPT) 11.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 12.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 28.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 37.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 46.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 47.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 48.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 49.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 50.8 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 137.5 (C), 171.4 (C), 194.0 (C); m/z (EI) 364 (M<sup>+</sup>; 3), 248 (12), 216 (100), 117 (10), 91 (11); HRMS (ESI): calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>28</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OS<sub>2</sub>Na (M+Na): 387.1535; found 387.1536.











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