



SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL TO
RuO₄-mediated oxidation of secondary amines.
Part 1. Are hydroxylamines the main intermediates?

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NMR DATA OF SELECTED COMPOUNDS

The ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR chemical shifts of the desired compounds are included in Table S-I. They are expressed with respect to internal (CH₃)₄Si ($\delta_H = 0$) and CDCl₃ ($\delta_C = 77.16$ ppm, as suggested in H. E. Gottlieb, V. Kotlyar, A. Nudelman, *J. Org. Chem.* **62** (1997) 7512).

Table S-I. NMR data of selected compounds

Compd.	Chemical shifts (CDCl ₃ , δ / ppm, J _{H,H} / Hz, 24 °C) and assignments ^a
1a	Ph-CH ₂ -NH-CH ₃ δ_H : 1.65 (1H, s, NH), ^b 2.43 (3H, s, CH ₃), 3.72 (2H, s, Bn), 7.17–7.35 (5H, m, o+m+p); δ_C : 36.0 (CH ₃), 56.1 (Bn), 126.8 (p), 128.1 (o), 128.2 (m), 140.2
1b	Ph-CH ₂ -NH-CH ₂ -CH ₃ δ_H : 1.12 (3H, t, $J = 7.2$, CH ₃), 1.70 (1H, s, NH), ^b 2.67 (2H, q, $J = 7.2$, CH ₂ -CH ₃), 3.78 (2H, s, Bn), 7.15–7.35 (5H, m, o+m+p); δ_C : 15.3 (CH ₃), 43.6 (CH ₂ -CH ₃), 54.0 (Bn), 126.8 (p), 128.0 (o), 128.3 (m), 140.6
2a	Ph-CH=N-CH ₃ δ_H : 3.51 (3H, d, $J = 1.7$, CH ₃), 7.36–7.45 (3H, m, m+p), 7.65–7.74 (2H, m, o), 8.27 (1H, q, $J = 1.7$, CH=N); δ_C : 48.3 (CH ₃), 128.0 (o), 128.7 (m), 130.6 (p), 136.4, 162.6 (CH=N)
2b	Ph-CH=N-CH ₂ -CH ₃ δ_H : 1.30 (3H, t, $^3J = 7.3$, CH ₃), 3.64 (2H, qd, $^3J = 7.3$, $^4J = 1.3$, CH ₂), 7.37–7.44 (3H, m, m+p), 7.70–7.74 (2H, m, o), 8.28 (1H, t, $^4J = 1.3$, CH=N); δ_C : 16.4 (CH ₃), 56.0 (CH ₂), 128.1 (o), 128.7 (m), 130.6 (p), 136.5, 160.5 (CH=N)

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Table S-I. Continued

Compd.	Chemical shifts (CDCl_3 , δ / ppm, $J_{\text{H,H}}$ / Hz, 24 °C) and assignments ^a
2e ^c	Ph-CH=N-CH ₂ -Ph δ_{H} : 4.80 (2H, <i>d</i> , $^4J = 1.6$, Bn), 7.17–7.40 (8H, <i>m</i> , <i>o'+m'+p'+m+p</i>), 7.77 (2H, <i>d</i> , $J = 7.8$, <i>o</i>), 8.35 (1H, <i>t</i> , $^4J = 1.6$, CH=N); δ_{C} : 65.0 (Bn), 126.9 (<i>p</i> '), 127.9 (<i>o</i> '), 128.2 (<i>o</i>), 128.4 (<i>m</i>), 128.5 (<i>m'</i>), 130.6 (<i>p</i>), 136.1 (<i>i</i>), 139.2 (<i>i'</i>), 161.8 (CH=N)
4a	Ph-CH ₂ -N(OH)-CH ₃ δ_{H} : 2.54 (3H, <i>s</i> , CH ₃), 3.71 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 7.20–7.45 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 47.8 (CH ₃), 66.6 (Bn), 127.6 (<i>p</i>), 128.4 (<i>m</i>), 129.9 (<i>o</i>), 137.1
4b	Ph-CH ₂ -N(OH)-CH ₂ -CH ₃ δ_{H} : 1.15 (3H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.2$, CH ₃), 2.75 (2H, <i>q</i> , $J = 7.2$, CH ₂), 3.79 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 7.20–7.45 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 12.3 (CH ₃), 53.9 (CH ₂), 64.8 (Bn), 127.5 (<i>p</i>), 128.4 (<i>m</i>), 129.9 (<i>o</i>), 137.3
5c	Ph-CHO δ_{H} : 7.50 (2H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.6$, <i>m</i>), 7.60 (1H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.6$, <i>p</i>), 7.88 (2H, <i>d</i> , $J = 7.2$, <i>o</i>), 10.0 (1H, <i>s</i> , CHO); δ_{C} : 128.9 (<i>m</i>), 129.6 (<i>o</i>), 134.3 (<i>p</i>), 136.4, 192.2 (CO)
Benzoic acid	Ph-CO ₂ H δ_{H} : 7.45 (2H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.7$, <i>m</i>), 7.61 (1H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.4$, <i>p</i>), 8.13 (2H, <i>d</i> , $J = 7.5$, <i>o</i>), 9.8–12.0 (1H, <i>brs</i> , OH); ^b δ_{C} : 128.6 (<i>m</i>), 129.5, 130.4 (<i>o</i>), 133.9 (<i>p</i>), 172.5 (CO)
6a	Ph-CO-NH-CH ₃ δ_{H} : 2.98 (3H, <i>d</i> , $J = 4.9$, CH ₃), ^d 6.4–6.6 (1H, <i>brs</i> , NH), ^b 7.37–7.39 (2H, <i>m</i> , <i>m</i>), 7.47 (1H, <i>tt</i> , $J = 7.3$ & 1.5, <i>p</i>), 7.76 (2H, <i>dd</i> , $J = 8.0$ & 1.5, <i>o</i>); δ_{C} : 26.8 (CH ₃), 126.8 (<i>o</i>), 128.5 (<i>m</i>), 131.3 (<i>p</i>), 134.5, 168.3 (CO)
6b	Ph-CO-NH-CH ₂ -CH ₃ δ_{H} : 1.23 (3H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.3$, CH ₃), 3.47 (2H, <i>qd</i> , $J = 7.3$ & 1.7, CH ₂), ^e 6.4–6.6 (1H, <i>brs</i> , NH), ^b 7.37–7.39 (2H, <i>m</i> , <i>m</i>), 7.47 (1H, <i>tt</i> , $J = 7.3$ & 1.5, <i>p</i>), 7.77 (2H, <i>dd</i> , $J = 8.0$ & 1.5, <i>o</i>); δ_{C} : 14.8 (CH ₃), 34.8 (CH ₂), 126.8 (<i>o</i>), 128.4 (<i>m</i>), 131.2 (<i>p</i>), 134.7, 167.5 (CO)
6c ^c	Ph-CO-NH-Bn δ_{H} : 4.56 (2H, <i>d</i> , $J = 5.6$, Bn), ^d 7.0–7.2 (1H, <i>brs</i> , NH), ^b 7.20–7.33 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o'+m'+p'</i>), 7.35 (2H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.6$, <i>m</i>), 7.45 (1H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.4$, <i>p</i>), 7.77 (2H, <i>d</i> , $J = 7.8$, <i>o</i>); δ_{C} : 43.9 (Bn), 127.0 (<i>o+p</i>), 127.7 (<i>o</i> '), 128.4 (<i>m'</i>), 128.6 (<i>m</i>), 131.4 (<i>p</i>), 134.3 (<i>i</i>), 138.2 (<i>i'</i>), 167.4 (CO)
7a ^f	Ph-CH ₂ -NH-CHO δ_{H} : 4.38+4.45 (2H, <i>d</i> ^d + <i>d</i> , $J = 6.0$, Bn), 6.10–6.14 (1H, <i>brs</i> , NH), ^b 7.15–7.40 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>), 8.14+8.22 [1H, <i>d</i> ($J = 12.0$) ^d + <i>s</i> , CHO]; δ_{C} : 42.2+45.7 (Bn), 127.1+127.9 (<i>o</i>), 127.8+128.1 (<i>p</i>), 128.9+129.0 (<i>m</i>), 137.6+137.7, 161.2+164.8 (CHO)
7b	Ph-CH ₂ -NH-CO-CH ₃ δ_{H} : 1.89 (3H, <i>s</i> , CH ₃), 4.29 (2H, <i>d</i> , $J = 5.8$, Bn), ^d 6.9–7.1 (1H, <i>brs</i> , NH), ^b 7.14–7.34 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 22.6 (CH ₃), 43.2 (Bn), 127.0 (<i>o</i>), 127.4 (<i>p</i>), 128.3 (<i>m</i>), 138.2, 170.3 (CO)

Table S-I. Continued

Compd.	Chemical shifts (CDCl_3 , δ / ppm, $J_{\text{H,H}}$ / Hz, 24 °C) and assignments ^a
8a^f	Ph– CH_2 –N(CH ₃)–CHO δ_{H} : 2.78+2.84 (3H, <i>s+s</i> , CH ₃), 4.39+4.52 (2H, <i>s+s</i> , Bn), 7.20+7.25 (2H, <i>m+m</i> , <i>o</i>), 7.27–7.42 (3H, <i>m, m+p</i>), 8.16+8.28 (1H, <i>s+s</i> , CHO); δ_{C} : 29.5+34.1 (CH ₃), 47.8+53.5 (Bn), 127.5+128.3 (<i>o</i>), 127.7+128.2 (<i>p</i>), 128.7+129.0 (<i>m</i>), 135.8+136.1, 162.6+162.8 (CHO)
8b^f	Ph– CH_2 –N(CH ₂ –CH ₃)–CO–CH ₃ δ_{H} : 1.11+1.13 (3H, <i>t+t</i> , $J = 7.2$, CH ₂ –CH ₃), 2.10+2.18 (3H, <i>s+s</i> , CO–CH ₃), 3.26+3.42 (2H, <i>q+q</i> , $J = 7.2$, CH ₂ –CH ₃), 4.51+4.59 (2H, <i>s+s</i> , Bn), 7.15–7.40 (<i>m</i> , 5H, <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 12.8+13.7 (CH ₂ –CH ₃), 21.3+21.8 (CO–CH ₃), 40.9+42.6 (CH ₂ –CH ₃), 47.8+51.7 (Bn), 126.4+128.1 (<i>o</i>), 127.6+127.7 (<i>p</i>), 128.6+128.7 (<i>m</i>), 137.1+138.0, 170.5+170.9 (CO)
8c^g	Ph– CH_2 –N(CH ₂ –CH ₃)–CHO δ_{H} : 1.05+1.17 (3H, <i>t+t</i> , $J = 7.2$, CH ₂ –CH ₃), 3.20+3.28 (2H, <i>q+q</i> , $J = 7.2$, CH ₂ –CH ₃), 4.38+4.54 (2H, <i>s+s</i> , Bn), 7.18–7.40 (5H, <i>m</i> , Ph), 8.22+8.24 (1H, <i>s+s</i> , CHO); δ_{C} : 12.0+14.1 (CH ₃), 36.6+41.3 (CH ₂ –CH ₃), 44.6+50.6 (Bn), 127.3+127.9 (<i>p</i>), 127.6+128.4 (<i>o</i>), 128.6+128.6 (<i>m</i>), 136.0+136.3, 162.4+162.4 (CHO)
8d^g	Ph– CH_2 –N(CH ₃)–CO–Ph δ_{H} : 2.86+3.02 (3H, <i>s+s</i> , CH ₃), 4.51+4.76 (2H, <i>s+s</i> , Bn), 7.17–7.48 (10H, <i>m</i> , 2×Ph); δ_{C} : 33.3+37.1 (CH ₃), 50.9+55.3 (Bn), 127.0+127.7+128.3+128.5+128.9+129.7 (arom. CH), 136.8+137.2, 171.7+172.4 (CO)
8e^{g,h}	Ph– CH_2 –N(CH ₂ –CH ₃)–CO–Ph δ_{H} : 0.95–1.30 (3H, <i>brs</i> , CH ₃), 3.10–3.35 + 3.40–3.65 (2H, <i>brs+brs</i> , CH ₂ –CH ₃), (4.40–4.65) + (4.65–4.90) (2H, <i>brs+brs</i> , Bn), 7.1–7.45 (10H, <i>m</i> , 2xPh); δ_{C} : 13.7 (weak, CH ₃), 43.0 (weak, CH ₂), 47.0 (weak, Bn), 126.6+127.6+128.6+128.8+129.5 (arom. CH), 134.6+136.8, 172.1 (CO).
9a	Ph–CH=N ⁺ (O [−])–CH ₃ δ_{H} : 3.88 (3H, <i>s</i> , CH ₃), 7.39–7.44 [4H, <i>m, m+p+(CH=N^+ at ~7.41 ppm)^j</i> , 8.17–8.24 (2H, <i>m, o</i>); δ_{C} : 54.1 (CH ₃), 128.4 (<i>o</i>), 129.5 (<i>m</i>), 130.1, 130.5 (<i>p</i>), 135.8 (C=N ⁺)
9b	Ph–CH=N ⁺ (O [−])–CH ₂ –CH ₃ δ_{H} : 1.58 (3H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.3$, CH ₃), 4.00 (2H, <i>q</i> , $J = 7.3$, CH ₂), 7.36–7.43 [4H, <i>m, m+p+(CH=N at ~7.41 ppm)^j</i> , 8.17–8.29 (2H, <i>m, o</i>); δ_{C} : 13.7 (CH ₃), 62.1 (CH ₂), 128.6 (<i>o</i>), 129.4 (<i>m</i>), 130.4 (<i>p</i>), 130.7, 133.7 (C=N ⁺)
9c^c	Ph–CH=N ⁺ (O [−])–CH ₂ –Ph δ_{H} : 4.96 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 7.20–7.45 [9H, <i>m, o'+m'+p'+m+p+(CH=N^+ at ~7.33 ppm)</i>], 8.06–8.20 (2H, <i>m, o</i>); δ_{C} : 71.3 (Bn), 128.5 (<i>o</i>), 128.7 (<i>m</i>), 129.0 (<i>o'+p'</i>), 129.3 (<i>m'</i>), 130.50 (sh, <i>i</i>), 130.53 (<i>p</i>), 133.3 (<i>i'</i>), 134.3 (br, CH=N)
10a	Ph– CH_2 –N ⁺ (O [−])=CH ₂ δ_{H} : 4.83 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 6.15+6.45 (1+1H, <i>d+d</i> , $^2J = 7.3$, N ^{+=CH₂), 7.28–7.38 (5H, <i>m, o+m+p</i>); δ_{C}: 69.8 (Bn), 123.8 (N^{+=CH₂), 129.2 (<i>o</i>), 129.4 (<i>p</i>), 129.6 (<i>m</i>), 132.5}}

Table S-I. Continued

Compd.	Chemical shifts (CDCl_3 , δ / ppm, $J_{\text{H,H}}$ / Hz, 24 °C) and assignments ^a
10b	Ph–CH ₂ –N ⁺ (O [−])=CH–CH ₃ δ_{H} : 2.01 (3H, <i>d</i> , $J = 5.9$, CH ₃), 4.90 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 6.72 (1H, <i>q</i> , $J = 5.9$, CH), 7.36–7.43 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 12.9 (CH ₃), 69.2 (Bn), 129.0 (<i>o</i>), 129.3 (<i>p</i>), 129.5 (<i>m</i>), 132.9, 134.9 (N ⁺⁼ CH)
11	Ph–CH ₂ –NH ₂ δ_{H} : 3.82 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 7.2–7.4 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 46.5 (Bn), 126.7 (<i>p</i>), 127.0 (<i>o</i>), 128.4 (<i>m</i>), 143.30
12	Ph–CN δ_{H} : 7.47 (2H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.7$, <i>m</i>), 7.55–7.75 (3H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+p</i>); δ_{C} : 112.4, 118.8 (CN), 129.1 (<i>m</i>), 132.1 (<i>o</i>), 132.8 (<i>p</i>)
13^j	Ph–CO–NH ₂ δ_{H} : 7.28–7.50 (3H, <i>m</i> , <i>m+p</i>), 7.92 (2H, <i>d</i> , $J = 7.8$, <i>o</i>); δ_{C} : 127.4 (<i>o</i>), 127.9 (<i>m</i>), 131.0 (<i>p</i>), 134.1, 168.5 (CO)
14	[Ph–CH ₂ –N(CH ₃)–]– ₂ CH ₂ δ_{H} : 2.22 (6H, <i>s</i> , CH ₃), 3.02 (2H, <i>s</i> , CH ₂), 3.62 (4H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 7.20–7.35 (10H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 40.5 (CH ₃), 59.6 (Bn), 79.8 (N–CH ₂ –N), 126.7 (<i>p</i>), 128.2 (<i>o</i>), 128.9 (<i>m</i>), 139.8
15a	Ph–CH(CN)–NH–CH ₃ δ_{H} : 1.45–1.95 (1H, <i>brs</i> , NH) ^b , 2.52 (3H, <i>s</i> , CH ₃), 4.72 (1H, <i>s</i> , CH–CN), 7.30–7.44 (3H, <i>m</i> , <i>m+p</i>), 7.44–7.55 (2H, <i>m</i> , <i>o</i>); δ_{C} : 33.5 (CH ₃), 55.9 (CH–CN), 118.6 (CN), 127.3 (<i>o</i>), 128.85 (<i>m</i>), 128.89 (<i>p</i>), 134.6
15b	Ph–CH(CN)–NH–CH ₂ –CH ₃ δ_{H} : 1.17 (3H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.1$, CH ₃), 1.45–1.95 (1H, <i>brs</i> , NH) ^b , 2.72–2.97 (2H, ABq of <i>q</i> , $J = 7.1$, $J_{\text{AB}} = 11.2$, CH ₂), 4.78 (1H, <i>s</i> , CH–CN), 7.36–7.45 (3H, <i>m</i> , <i>m+p</i>), 7.52 (2H, <i>m</i> , <i>o</i>); δ_{C} : 14.9 (CH ₃), 42.0 (CH ₂), 54.5 (CH–CN), 119.0 (CN), 127.4 (<i>o</i>), 129.1 (<i>m+p</i>), 135.0
15c^c	Ph–CH(CN)–NH–CH ₂ –Ph δ_{H} : 1.7–1.9 (1H, <i>brs</i> , NH) ^b , 3.96+4.06 [1+1H, <i>d+d</i> (ABq), $J_{\text{AB}} = 12.8$, Bn], 4.75 (1H, <i>s</i> , CH–CN), 7.29 (1H, <i>tt</i> , $J = 7.2$ & 1.6, <i>p'</i>), 7.33–7.44 (7H, <i>m</i> , <i>o'+m+m'+p</i>), 7.55 (2H, <i>dd</i> , $J = 7.2$ & 1.6, <i>o</i>); δ_{C} : 51.3 (Bn), 53.5 (CH–CN), 118.7 (CN), 127.3 (<i>o</i>), 127.6 (<i>p'</i>), 128.4 (<i>o'</i>), 128.6+128.96 (<i>m+m'</i>), 129.03 (<i>p</i>), 134.7 (<i>i</i>), 138.1 (<i>i'</i>)
16a	Ph–CH ₂ –NH–CH ₂ –CN δ_{H} : 1.63–1.65 (1H, <i>brs</i> , NH) ^b , 3.56 (2H, <i>s</i> , CH ₂ –CN), 3.93 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 7.26–7.38 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 36.4 (CH ₂ –CN), 52.5 (Bn), 117.8 (CN), 127.8 (<i>p</i>), 128.6 (<i>o</i>), 128.8 (<i>m</i>), 138.0
16b	Ph–CH ₂ –NH–CH(CN)–CH ₃ δ_{H} : 1.41 (3H, <i>d</i> , $J = 7.1$, CH ₃), 3.51 (1H, <i>q</i> , $J = 7.1$, CH), 3.74+3.98 [1+1H, <i>d+d</i> (ABq), $J_{\text{AB}} = 12.9$, Bn], 7.18–7.33 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 19.8 (CH ₃), 44.7 (CH), 51.8 (Bn), 120.7 (CN), 127.7 (<i>p</i>), 128.5 (<i>o</i>), 128.7 (<i>m</i>), 138.4

Table S-I. Continued

Compd.	Chemical shifts (CDCl_3 , δ / ppm, $J_{\text{H,H}}$ / Hz, 24 °C) and assignments ^a
17a	Ph–CH ₂ –N(CH ₃)–CH ₂ –CN δ_{H} : 2.42 (3H, <i>s</i> , CH ₃), 3.43 (2H, <i>s</i> , CH ₂ –CN), 3.59 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 7.27–7.46 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 42.2 (CH ₃), 44.0 (CH ₂ –CN), 60.0 (Bn), 114.5 (CN), 127.7 (<i>p</i>), 128.5 (<i>m</i>), 128.8 (<i>o</i>), 136.9
17b	Ph–CH ₂ –N(CH ₂ –CH ₃)–CH(CN)–CH ₃ δ_{H} : 1.13 (3H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.2$, CH ₂ –CH ₃), 1.43 (3H, <i>d</i> , $J = 7.2$, CH–CH ₃), (2.40–2.52)+(2.68–2.81) (1+1H, ABq of <i>q</i> , $J = 7.2$, $J_{\text{AB}} = 13$, CH ₂ –CH ₃), 3.72 (1H, <i>q</i> , $J = 7.2$, CH–CH ₃), 3.37+3.95 [1+1H, <i>d+d</i> (ABq), $J_{\text{AB}} = 14$, Bn], 7.20–7.38 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>) δ_{C} : 13.4 (CH ₂ –CH ₃), 18.1 (CH–CH ₃), 45.2 (CH ₂), 48.3 (CH–CN), 55.5 (Bn), 118.6 (CN), 127.5 (<i>p</i>), 128.6 (<i>o</i>), 128.7 (<i>m</i>), 138.5
17c	Ph–CH ₂ –N(CH ₂ –CH ₃)–CH ₂ –CN δ_{H} : 1.16 (3H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.2$, CH ₃), 2.68 (2H, <i>q</i> , $J = 7.2$, CH ₂), 3.46 (2H, <i>s</i> , CH ₂ –CN), 3.66 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 7.25–7.38 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 12.9 (CH ₃), 40.8 (CH ₂ –CN), 48.5 (CH ₂ –CH ₃), 58.3 (Bn), 114.9 (CN), 127.8 (<i>p</i>), 128.7 (<i>m</i>), 129.1 (<i>o</i>), 137.5
17d^c	Ph–CH ₂ –N(CH ₃)–CH(CN)–Ph δ_{H} : 2.26 (3H, <i>s</i> , CH ₃), 3.55+3.82 [1+1H, <i>d+d</i> (ABq), $J_{\text{AB}} = 13.1$, Bn], 4.89 (1H, <i>s</i> , CH–CN), 7.29 (1H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.2$, <i>p</i> or <i>p'</i>), 7.32–7.37 [3H, <i>m</i> , <i>m'</i> (7.35 ppm, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.2$) & <i>p'</i> (or <i>p</i>)], 7.37–7.44 (4H, <i>m</i> , <i>o'+m</i>), 7.54 (2H, <i>d</i> , $J = 7.2$, <i>o</i>); δ_{C} : 38.4 (CH ₃), 59.4 (Bn), 60.3 (CH–CN), 115.3 (CN), 127.82 (<i>o</i>), 127.86 (<i>p'</i>), 128.77+128.87 (<i>m+m'</i>), 128.93 (<i>p</i>), 129.04 (<i>o'</i>), 133.9 (<i>i'</i>), 137.6 (<i>i</i>)
17e^c	Ph–CH ₂ –N(CH ₂ –CH ₃)–CH(CN)–Ph δ_{H} : 1.06 (3H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.1$, CH ₃), (2.39–2.51)+(2.52–2.65) (1+1H, ABq of <i>q</i> , $J_{\text{AB}} = 13.2$, $J = 7.1$, CH ₂ –CH ₃), 3.36 + 3.91 [1+1H, <i>d+d</i> (ABq), $J_{\text{AB}} = 13.6$, Bn], 4.86 (1H, <i>s</i> , CH), 7.22–7.45 (8H, <i>m</i> , <i>m+p+o'+m'+p'</i>), 7.51 (2H, <i>d</i> , $J = 7.2$, <i>o</i>); δ_{C} : 13.0 (CH ₃), 44.5 (CH ₂ –CH ₃), 55.0 (Bn), 57.5 (CH), 115.7 (CN), 127.4+128.46 (<i>p+p'</i>), 127.9 (<i>o</i>), 128.40+128.50 (<i>m'+m</i>), 128.57 (<i>o'</i>), 134.1 (<i>i'</i>), 138.9 (<i>i</i>)
18a	Ph–C(CN)=N–CH ₃ δ_{H} : 3.82 (3H, <i>s</i> , CH ₃), 7.45 (2H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.2$, <i>m</i>), 7.51 (1H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.2$, <i>p</i>), 7.96 (2H, <i>dd</i> , $J = 7.2$ & 2.0, <i>o</i>); δ_{C} : 45.6 (CH ₃), 109.3 (C≡N), 127.3 (<i>o</i>), 128.8 (<i>m</i>), 132.0 (<i>p</i>), 133.4, 143.2 (C≡N)
18b	Ph–C(CN)=N–CH ₂ –CH ₃ δ_{H} : 1.40 (3H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.3$, CH ₃), 4.01 (2H, <i>q</i> , $J = 7.3$, CH ₂), 7.38–7.56 (3H, <i>m</i> , <i>m+p</i>), 7.98 (2H, <i>dd</i> , $J = 8.1$ & 1.5, <i>o</i>); δ_{C} : 15.6 (CH ₃), 53.5 (CH ₂), 109.6 (C≡N), 127.6 (<i>o</i>), 129.0 (<i>m</i>), 132.2 (<i>p</i>), 133.6, 141.4 (C≡N)
19a^f	Ph–CH ₂ –N=CH–CN δ_{H} : 4.87+5.02 (2H, <i>d+d</i> , $^4J = 2$, Bn), 7.25–7.40 [6H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p+(CH=N)</i>]; δ_{C} : 65.8+67.0 (Bn), 108.4+112.0 (C≡N), 127.3+127.5 (<i>p</i>), 128.1+128.2 (<i>o</i>), 128.7+128.9 (<i>m</i>), 133.1+134.4 (CH≡N), 138.1+138.2

Table S-I. Continued

Compd.	Chemical shifts (CDCl_3 , δ / ppm, $J_{\text{H,H}}$ / Hz, 24 °C) and assignments ^a
19b	$\text{Ph}-\text{CH}_2-\text{N}=\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)-\text{CN}$ δ_{H} : 2.26 (3H, <i>t</i> , $^5J = 1.3$, CH_3), 4.81 (2H, <i>q</i> , $^5J = 1.3$, Bn), 7.25–7.40 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 25.5 (CH_3), 62.6 (Bn), 111.0 ($\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 127.3 (<i>p</i>), 128.1 (<i>o</i>), 128.7 (<i>m</i>), 137.1, 140.3 ($\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$)
20a	$\text{Ph}-\text{CH}=\text{N}-\text{CH}_2-\text{CN}$ δ_{H} : 4.55 (2H, <i>d</i> , $^4J = 1.8$, CH_2), 7.33–7.43 (3H, <i>m</i> , <i>m+p</i>), 7.70 (2H, <i>dd</i> , $J = 1.6$ & 7.8, <i>o</i>), 8.44 (1H, <i>t</i> , $^4J = 1.8$, $\text{CH}=\text{N}$); δ_{C} : 45.8 (CH_2), 115.7 ($\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 128.1 (<i>o</i>), 128.3 (<i>m</i>), 131.3 (<i>p</i>), 134.5, 164.6 ($\text{CH}=\text{N}$)
21a	$\text{Ph}-\text{C}(\text{CN})=\text{N}^+(\text{O}^-)-\text{CH}_3$ δ_{H} : 4.28 (3H, <i>s</i> , CH_3), 7.33–7.47 (3H, <i>m</i> , <i>m+p</i>), 8.24–8.28 (2H, <i>m</i> , <i>o</i>); δ_{C} : 55.9 (CH_3), 114.6 ($\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 121.1 ($\text{C}=\text{N}^+$), 127.0 (<i>o</i>), 128.1, 128.7 (<i>m</i>), 131.6 (<i>p</i>)
21b	$\text{Ph}-\text{C}(\text{CN})=\text{N}^+(\text{O}^-)-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_3$ δ_{H} : 1.61 (3H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.3$, CH_3), 4.51 (2H, <i>q</i> , $J = 7.3$, CH_2), 7.35–7.45 (3H, <i>m</i> , <i>m+p</i>), 8.25–8.35 (2H, <i>m</i> , <i>o</i>); δ_{C} : 13.3 (CH_3), 63.4 (CH_2), 114.5 ($\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 121.4 ($\text{C}=\text{N}^+$), 127.5 (<i>o</i>), 127.9, 128.6 (<i>m</i>), 131.3 (<i>p</i>)
22a^f	$\text{Ph}-\text{CH}_2-\text{N}^+(\text{O}^-)=\text{CH}-\text{CN}$ δ_{H} : 4.99+5.28 (2H, <i>s+s</i> , Bn), 6.64+6.65 (1H, <i>sh+s</i> , $\text{CH}=\text{N}$), 7.32–7.48 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 70.0+71.5 (Bn), 107.5+108.4 ($\text{CH}=\text{N}^+$), 112.2+113.2 ($\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 129.2+129.8 (<i>o</i>), 130.3+130.3 (<i>m</i>), 130.5+130.7 (<i>p</i>), 130.8+131.5
22b	$\text{Ph}-\text{CH}_2-\text{N}^+(\text{O}^-)=\text{C}(\text{CN})-\text{CH}_3$ δ_{H} : 2.12 (3H, <i>s</i> , CH_3), 5.32 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 7.33–7.45 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 15.9 (CH_3), 69.4 (Bn), 115.4 ($\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 118.9 ($\text{C}=\text{N}^+$), 129.4 (<i>o</i>), 130.3 (<i>m</i>), 130.7 (<i>p</i>), 132.0
23a	$\text{Ph}-\text{CH}_2-\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)-\text{C}(\text{CN})=\text{NH}$ δ_{H} : 2.98 (3H, <i>s</i> , CH_3), 4.65 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 7.22–7.26 (2H, <i>brd</i> , $J = 7.8$, <i>o</i>), 7.28–7.42 (3H, <i>m</i> , <i>m+p</i>), 7.56–7.76 (1H, <i>brs</i> , NH); ^b $\delta_{\text{C}}^{,\text{h}}$: 32–36 (<i>v. br</i> , CH_3), 53–57 (<i>v. br</i> , Bn), 111.4 ($\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 127.6–127.8 (<i>br</i> , <i>o</i>), 128.2 (<i>p</i>), 129.0 (<i>m</i>), 135.9, 142.6 ($\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$)
23b	$\text{Ph}-\text{CH}_2-\text{N}(\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_3)-\text{C}(\text{CN})=\text{NH}$ δ_{H} : 1.13 (3H, <i>t</i> , $^3J = 7.0$, CH_3), 3.43 (2H, <i>q</i> , $^3J = 7.0$, CH_2), 4.63 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 7.24 (2H, <i>d</i> , $J = 8.0$, <i>o</i>), 7.26–7.50 (3H, <i>m</i> , <i>m+p</i>), 7.52–7.72 (1H, <i>brs</i> , NH); ^b $\delta_{\text{C}}^{,\text{h}}$: 12.0–12.6 (<i>br</i> , CH_3), 41.5–42.5 (<i>v. br</i> , CH_2), 49.5–50.5 (<i>v. br</i> , Bn), 111.5 ($\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$), 127.6–127.8 (<i>br</i> , <i>o</i>), 128.0 (<i>p</i>), 128.9 (<i>m</i>), 136.35, 142.1 ($\text{C}\equiv\text{N}$)
24a	$\text{Ph}-\text{CH}_2-\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)-\text{CN}$ δ_{H} : 2.78 (3H, <i>s</i> , CH_3), 4.16 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 7.30–7.45 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 37.9 (CH_3), 57.3 (Bn), 119.0 (CN), 128.5 (<i>o</i>), 128.7 (<i>p</i>), 129.0 (<i>m</i>), 134.5
24b	$\text{Ph}-\text{CH}_2-\text{N}(\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_3)-\text{CN}$ δ_{H} : 1.24 (3H, <i>t</i> , $J = 7.2$, CH_3), 2.92 (2H, <i>q</i> , $J = 7.2$, CH_2), 4.17 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 7.30–7.40 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 12.5 (CH_3), 44.9 (CH_2), 55.4 (Bn), 117.6 (CN), 128.2 (<i>o</i>), 128.3 (<i>p</i>), 128.7 (<i>m</i>), 134.7

Table S-I. Continued

Compd.	Chemical shifts (CDCl_3 , δ / ppm, $J_{\text{H,H}}$ / Hz, 24 °C) and assignments ^a
25a	Ph–CH ₂ –N(CH ₃)–CO–NH ₂ δ_{H} : 2.91 (3H, <i>s</i> , CH ₃), 4.49 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 4.52–4.64 (2H, <i>brs</i> , NH ₂); ^b 7.20–7.30 (3H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+p</i>), 7.34 (2H, <i>t</i> , ³ <i>J</i> = 7.2, <i>m</i>); δ_{C} : 34.9 (CH ₃), 52.5 (Bn), 127.3 (<i>o</i>), 127.6 (<i>p</i>), 128.9 (<i>m</i>), 137.6, 159.2 (CO)
25b	Ph–CH ₂ –N(CH ₂ –CH ₃)–CO–NH ₂ δ_{H} : 1.16 (3H, <i>t</i> , <i>J</i> = 7.1, CH ₃), 3.33 (2H, <i>q</i> , <i>J</i> = 7.1, CH ₂), 4.48 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 7.20–7.37 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 13.3 (CH ₃), 42.4 (CH ₂), 50.3 (Bn), 127.1 (<i>o</i>), 127.6 (<i>p</i>), 128.9 (<i>m</i>), 137.8, 158.9 (CO)
26	Ph–CH=N–OH δ_{H} : 7.30–7.42 (3H, <i>m</i> , <i>m+p</i>), 7.53–7.62 (2H, <i>m</i> , <i>o</i>), 8.17 (1H, <i>s</i> , CH=N); δ_{C} : 127.2 (<i>o</i>), 128.9 (<i>m</i>), 130.2 (<i>p</i>), 132.0, 150.4 (C=N)
27^k	Ph–CH ₂ –N=N ⁺ (O ⁻)–CH ₂ –Ph δ_{H} : 4.58 (2H, <i>t</i> , ⁵ <i>J</i> = 0.8, Bn), 5.31 (2H, <i>t</i> , ⁵ <i>J</i> = 0.8, Bn'); 7.27–7.50 (10H, <i>m</i> , 2×Ph); δ_{C} : 56.6 (Bn), 74.0 (Bn'), 128.5 (<i>o</i>), 128.6 (<i>p</i>), 128.8 (<i>m</i>), 129.3 (<i>o'</i>), 129.46 (<i>p'</i>), 129.48 (<i>m'</i>), 132.1 (<i>i'</i>), 136.3 (<i>i</i>)
28	Ph–CH ₂ –NH–OH δ_{H} : 3.93 (2H, <i>s</i> , Bn), 7.19–7.32 (5H, <i>m</i> , <i>o+m+p</i>); δ_{C} : 58.4 (Bn), 127.8 (<i>p</i>), 128.7 (<i>m</i>), 129.3 (<i>o</i>), 137.2

^a Bn means benzyl protons or carbons. Aromatic protons or carbons are labeled as *o*, *m*, and *p*; the values of *ipso* carbons are labeled as (*i*) or in *italics*; ^bvanishes with D₂O; ^csign prime (') refers to the aromatic atoms of Ph–CH₂; ^dsinglet upon addition of D₂O; ^equartet upon addition of D₂O; ^fmixture of unequally populated *E/Z* isomers; the underlined values belong to the main isomer; ^gmixture of equally populated *E/Z* isomers; the underlined isomer was chosen arbitrarily; ^hvery broad signals due to the proximity of coalescence temperature; ⁱdeduced from two-dimension NMR experiment (HMBC); ^jin a CDCl₃/DMSO-*d*₆ mixture; ^ksign prime (') refers to the Ph–CH₂–N⁺(O⁻) atoms

MS DATA OF SELECTED COMPOUNDS

The MS data of the desired compounds are presented in Table S-II, except those of **10a** and **b**, **14**, **15c** and **28**, which were too unstable in the adopted analytical conditions.

TABLE S-II. MS data for selected compounds

Compd.	Peaks (EI, 70 eV; <i>m/z</i> (relative intensities, %))
1a	121 (M ⁺ , 54), 120 (100), 118 (11), 92 (12), 91 (62), 77 (13), 65 (18), 51 (12).
1b	135 (M ⁺ , 12), 134 (13), 120 (32), 92 (10), 91 (100), 65 (11).
2a	119 (M ⁺ , 59), 118 (100), 91 (14), 78 (17), 77 (27), 51 (13).
2b	133 (62, M ⁺), 132 (81), 118 (67), 105 (17), 104 (52), 92 (11), 91 (100), 89 (15), 78 (10), 77 (28), 51 (16).
4a^a	137 (M ⁺ , 22), 120 (6), 118 (6), 92 (9), 91 (100), 65 (11).
4b^a	151 (M ⁺ , 19), 136 (7), 92 (9), 91 (100), 65 (8).
5c	106 (M ⁺ , 100), 105 (96), 78 (16), 77 (87), 51 (29), 50 (17).
Benzoic acid	122 (M ⁺ ; 89), 106 (8), 105 (100), 77 (61), 51 (22), 50 (14).
6a	135 (M ⁺ , 35), 134 (52), 105 (100), 77 (72.6), 51 (20.5).

TABLE S-II. Continued

Compd.	Peaks (EI, 70 eV; m/z (relative intensities, %))
6b	149 (M^+ , 34), 148 (39), 105 (100), 91 (10), 77 (50), 51 (15).
6c	211 (M^+ , 45), 210 (17), 106 (23), 105 (100), 91 (15), 78 (10), 77 (77), 51 (28).
7a	135 (M^+ , 100), 134 (47), 106 (32), 92 (9), 91 (38), 79 (27), 77 (21), 51 (11).
7b	149 (M^+ , 89), 107 (18), 106 (100), 79 (9), 43 (20).
8a	149 (M^+ , 100), 148 (32), 134 (11), 106 (24), 92 (12), 91 (58), 79 (22), 77 (9), 65 (16).
8b	177 (M^+ , 65), 134 (11), 120 (15), 107 (10), 106 (100), 91 (80), 65 (15), 44 (11), 43 (19).
8c	163 (M^+ , 87), 162 (9), 134 (33), 107 (9), 106 (41), 92 (14), 91 (100), 79 (27), 77 (11).
8d	225 (M^+ , 56), 224 (71), 120 (10), 105 (100), 91 (17), 77 (49).
8e	239 (M^+ , 38), 238 (29), 106 (9), 105 (100), 91 (15), 77 (37).
9a	135 (M^+ , 66), 134 (100), 119 (33), 118 (62), 108 (21), 106 (10), 105 (16), 91 (11), 89 (22), 79 (11), 78 (14), 77 (45), 76 (5), 65 (17), 63 (15), 51 (18), 50 (9), 42 (29).
9b	149 (M^+ , 96), 148 (60), 133 (79), 132 (100), 118 (76), 105 (40), 104 (55), 103 (10), 94 (10), 89 (22), 78 (28), 77 (42), 51 (14).
9c	211 (M^+ , 14), 92 (10), 91 (100), 65 (12).
11	107 (M^+ , 59), 106 (100), 91 (14), 79 (37), 78 (13), 77 (23), 51 (12).
12	103 (M^+ , 100), 76 (31), 75 (8), 51 (7), 50 (11).
13	121 (M^+ , 84), 105 (100), 78 (10), 77 (83), 51 (25), 50 (13).
15a^a	146 (M^+ , 5), 119 (50), 118 (100), 91 (16), 77 (21), 42 (13).
15b^a	160 (M^+ , 3), 145 (18), 133 (38), 132 (51), 118 (43), 117 (17), 116 (100), 104 (36), 91 (66), 89 (19), 77 (19), 51 (11).
16a	146 (M^+ , 14), 145 (38), 119 (14), 92 (20), 91 (100), 65 (15).
16b^a	160 (M^+ , 6), 159 (20), 92 (33), 91 (100), 65 (11).
17a	160 (M^+ , 24), 159 (15), 92 (29), 91 (100), 83 (36), 65 (15).
17b	188 (M^+ , 4) 173 (13), 161 (25), 160 (23), 132 (13), 105 (9), 92 (12), 91 (100), 70 (11), 65 (12), 56 (9).
17c	174 (M^+ , 9), 159 (19), 92 (12), 91 (100), 65 (9).
17d	236 (M^+ , 23), 235 (9), 159 (26), 120 (27), 118 (22), 117 (13), 116 (62), 92 (35), 91 (100), 89 (14), 65 (16).
17e	250 (M^+ , 13), 235 (41), 118 (60), 116 (34), 92 (13), 91 (100), 89 (10), 65 (12).
18a	144 (M^+ , 59), 143 (44), 130 (10), 129 (100), 118 (30), 116 (11), 91 (13), 77 (20), 51 (11).
18b	158 (M^+ , 91), 157 (82), 144 (9), 143 (93), 142 (12), 130 (23), 129 (33), 116 (25), 115 (16), 114 (13), 104 (46), 103 (23), 91 (100), 89 (13), 88 (12), 77 (32), 76 (14), 63 (9), 51 (19).
19a	144 (M^+ , 15), 92 (10), 91 (100), 89 (9), 65 (13).
19b	158 (M^+ , 11), 131 (8), 92 (8), 91 (100), 65 (9).
20a	144 (M^+ ; 81), 143 (100), 122 (9), 121 (84), 105 (78), 103 (11).
20b	158 (M^+ , 68), 143 (65), 131 (22), 117 (100), 105 (24), 104 (45), 103 (15), 90 (15), 89 (35), 77 (81).
21a	161 (10), 160 (M^+ , 100) 159 (84), 143 (22), 133 (16), 132 (28), 131 (29), 129 (11), 120 (10), 117 (11), 115 (34), 114 (31), 106 (13), 105 (25), 104 (22), 103 (12), 102 (9), 91 (10), 88 (31), 87 (9), 78 (11), 77 (27), 76 (15), 68 (18), 67 (35), 65 (15), 63 (17), 62 (16), 51 (15).

TABLE S-II. Continued

Compd.	Peaks (EI, 70 eV; <i>m/z</i> (relative intensities, %))
21b	174 (M^+ , 100), 173 (61), 157 (17), 146 (11), 145 (53), 143 (10), 132 (13), 131 (12), 130 (10), 129 (17), 117 (14), 116 (43), 115 (30), 114 (22), 105 (15), 104 (24), 103 (14), 91 (22), 90 (10), 89 (71), 88 (22), 77 (21), 76 (11), 65 (13), 63 (17), 62 (12), 51 (14), 39 (9).
22a	92 (8), 91 (100), 65 (11).
22b	174 (M^+ , 3), 92 (8), 91 (100), 65 (12).
23a	173 (M^+ , 28), 172 (27), 158 (28), 120 (40), 106 (12), 92 (9), 91 (100), 77 (10), 65 (24).
23b	187 (27, M^+), 186 (23), 158 (60), 134 (18), 106 (12), 91 (100), 79 (16), 77 (11), 65 (22).
24a	146 (M^+ , 16), 92 (8), 91 (100), 65 (12).
24b	160 (M^+ , 16), 92 (8), 91 (100), 65 (9).
25a	164 (M^+ , 98), 121 (15), 120 (71), 119 (24), 118 (35), 106 (64), 92 (13), 91 (100), 79 (17), 77 (17), 65 (25), 51 (12), 44 (41), 42 (28).
25b	178 (M^+ , 25), 120 (18), 106 (40), 92 (11), 91 (100), 79 (11), 77 (10), 65 (14), 44 (11).
26	121 (M^+ , 100), 120 (20), 104 (11), 103 (12), 94 (29), 78 (49), 77 (47), 76 (17), 66 (21), 65 (12), 51 (28), 50 (16).
27	226 (M^+ , 5), 181 (18), 118 (5), 92 (9), 91 (100), 90 (16), 65 (15).

^aModerately stable compounds