

PARALLEL SOLID-PHASE SYNTHESIS OF PARTIALLY MODIFIED RETRO AND RETRO-INVERSO ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly PEPTIDES

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The parallel solid-phase synthesis of small libraries of molecules belonging to a novel class of retro and retro-inverso peptides having a ψ [NHCH(CF₃)] surrogate of the conventional retro-peptide bond (NH-CO) has been accomplished. Key step for the synthesis of the -NHCH(CF₃)- unit is a Michael-type *N*-addition of resin bound α -amino acid esters H-AA¹-OWang (1), dipeptide H-Val-Gly-OWang (8), and tripeptide H-Val-Val-Ala-OWang (12) to (S)-3-(*E*-enoyl)-1,3-oxazolidin-2-one (3), which took place very effectively under mild condition. Chemoselective exocyclic oxazolidinone cleavage, followed by parallel couplings of the resulting polymer-bound pseudopeptides WangO-AA¹- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly-OH (5), WangO-Gly-Val- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly-OH (10), and WangO-Ala-Val-Val- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly-OH (14) with different α -amino acid esters afforded, after release from the resin, a representative set of ψ [NHCH(CF₃)] retro and retro-inverso tripeptides HO-AA¹- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly-AA²-OX¹ (7), tetrapeptides HO-Gly-Val- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly-AA³-OX² (11), and pentapeptides HO-Ala-Val-Val- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly-AA⁴-OX³ (15), respectively, with good to excellent purity in all cases.

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While linear peptides have been used extensively at early stages of lead discovery, they have found only limited application as therapeutic agents due to a number of drawbacks, such as poor bioavailability, bioselectivity, biostability, and also conformational flexibility, since often only one conformation of a peptide is responsible for its biological activity and hence function¹. To circumvent these drawbacks several approaches have been

studied to modify and stabilise linear peptides through construction of peptide mimetics². One of the most popular strategies to modify peptides is to replace one or more peptide bonds with a surrogate X, which is conventionally symbolised as $\psi(X)$. When this modification consists in the reversal of all or some of the peptide bonds (NH-CO instead of CO-NH) the resulting peptides are called retro or partially modified retropeptides (PMR-peptides), respectively³ (Fig. 1). Recently, we described a new class of PMR-peptides, *i.e.* PMR- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)] peptides⁴, in which the conventional retro-peptide bond is replaced by an -NHCH(CF₃)- unit. This surrogate should be stable towards proteolytic degradation, iso-polar with the NH-CO unit, and the stereo-electronically demanding CF₃ is expected to introduce some backbone conformational constraint, thus limiting the number of stable conformational isomers. Moreover the CF₃ group should be able to modify the binding properties, and may act as a hydrogen bond acceptor or coordinative site with enzymes or receptor subsites⁵.

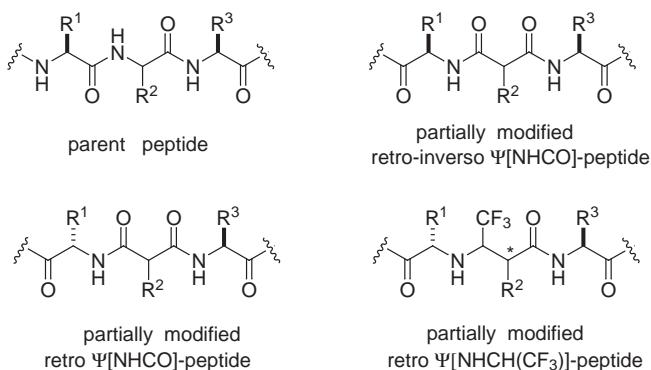


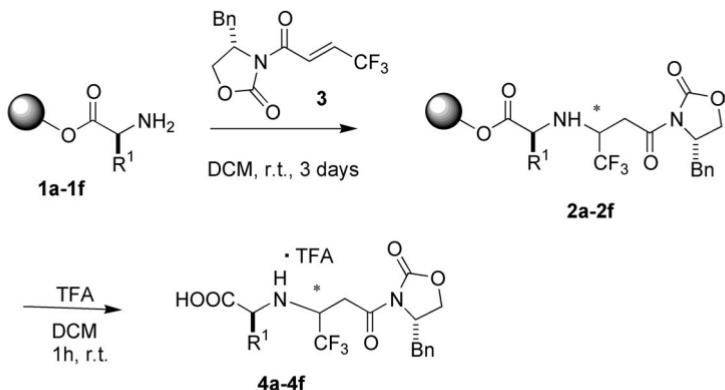
FIGURE 1

In this article we report in full detail the parallel solid-phase synthesis of small libraries of PMR- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly tri-, tetra-, and pentapeptides, which in perspective should be applicable in the preparation of wider libraries of PMR- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)] polypeptides for high-throughput biological screening⁷.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Six different H-AA¹-OWang resins **1a-1f** (Scheme 1, AA means amino acid), prepared by standard Fmoc chemistry using Wang resin as solid support, were engaged in Michael-type *N*-additions with an excess (3 equivalents) of (*S*)-3-(*E*-enoyl)-1,3-oxazolidin-2-one⁸ **3**, which took place very efficiently in

3 days at room temperature⁹ providing the trifluoromethyl resins **2a-2f**. These reactions could be easily monitored by single-bead Fourier Transform Infrared (FT-IR) microscopy through the presence of three distinct and very intense carbonyl bands at *ca* 1 735 (ester CO), 1 780–1 790 (carbamate CO), and *ca* 1 700 cm⁻¹ (amide CO) in the spectra of resins **2a-2f**.



SCHEME 1

The diastereoselection seems to depend mainly upon the bulkiness of the amino ester side-chain R¹, as already assessed for the solution-phase reactions (Table I)^{4a}. The best diastereoselections were in fact achieved with Val (R¹ = iso-Pr, entry 1) and Ile (R¹ = *sec*-Bu, entry 5) whilst an equimolecular

TABLE I
Solid-phase synthesis of pseudodipeptides **4** (Scheme 1)

Entry	R ¹	Product	d.r. ^a	Yield, %	Purity, % ^a
1	iso-Pr	4a	7:1	— ^b	>95
2	H	4b	1:1	51 ^c	>95
3	Me	4c	3:1	77 ^d	>95
4	-CH ₂ COOt-Bu	4d ^e	1.1:1	98 ^d	>95
5	<i>sec</i> -Bu	4e	6.5:1	100 ^d	>95
6	4-t-BuO-C ₆ H ₄ -CH ₂ -	4f ^f	3:1	98 ^d	>95

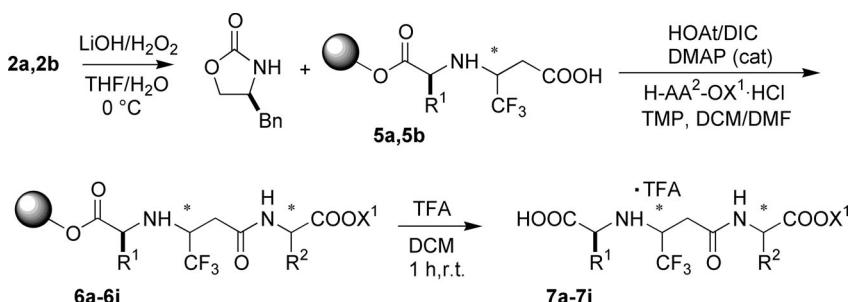
^a Diastereoisomeric ratio (d.r.) and purity determined by ¹⁹F and ¹H NMR of **4**. ^b See Table II, entries 2–9, for the overall yields of **7b-7i** from **1a**. ^c Yield from **1b**, calculated on the isolated amount of **4b**. ^d Yield from Wang resin, calculated on the isolated amount of **4c-4f**.

^e R¹ = CH₂COOH. ^f R¹ = 4-HO-C₆H₄-CH₂.

mixture of the two diastereoisomers **4b** was obtained with Gly ($R^1 = H$, entry 2)¹⁰. Surprisingly, also in the case of Asp resin ($R^1 = CH_2COOt-Bu$, entry 4) no stereocontrol was observed, whereas, as expected, moderate stereoselectivity was achieved with Ala ($R^1 = Me$, entry 3) and Tyr ($R^1 = 4-t-BuO-C_6H_4-CH_2$, entry 6) resins. The observed stereoselectivity can be roughly explained if one considers that, in the absence of a chelating agent, the oxazolidin-2-one **3** should exist in the *S-trans* conformation (as portrayed in Scheme 1) with the benzyl group pointing away from the reactive β -carbon centre, thus exerting little control on the facial selectivity. In contrast, the R^1 side chain of **1a-1f** should be spatially close to the C=C bond in the transition state, thus its influence should be more important¹¹. However, from the perspective of combinatorial application, a low stereocontrol is not necessarily a drawback, because both epimers at the trifluoromethyl substituted stereocenter can be produced and, eventually, submitted to biological assays.

After cleavage of the resin-bound pseudopeptides **2a-2f** by treatment with 20% trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) in dichloromethane (DCM) (1 h at room temperature) the pseudodipeptides **4a-4f** were obtained in good yields and excellent purity (Table I). Analytically pure pseudopeptides could be obtained by further purification. For instance, epimers of **4e** were purified by flash chromatography affording the single major diastereoisomer with nearly 100% purity¹².

Exocyclic cleavage of the chiral auxiliary was achieved with excellent chemoselectivity by treatment of the resins **2a**, **2b** with lithium hydroperoxide (Scheme 2) (1 equivalent of LiOH, 4 equivalents of H_2O_2 , THF/ H_2O , 0 °C)¹³ affording the resins **5a**, **5b**. Also in this case the reactions could be reliably monitored by FT-IR microscopy. In fact, the characteristic CO bands of the amide group and the carbamate group at *ca* 1 700 and 1 780–1 790 cm^{-1} , respectively, were progressively replaced by a strong



SCHEME 2

broad band at 1 600 cm⁻¹, characteristic of the CO₂H group. Moreover, the formation of the 4-benzyl-oxazolidin-2-one could be easily detected by TLC analysis of the solution.

The parallel coupling of the resulting resin-bound pseudodipeptides **5a**, **5b** with different α -amino acid esters H-AA²-OX¹ (Table II), generated *in situ* from the commercial hydrochlorides and 2,4,6-trimethylpyridine (TMP), afforded, in the presence of 1-hydroxy-7-azabenzotiazole (HOAt)/1,3-diisopropylcarbodiimide (DIC) (DCM/DMF, room temperature), a representative library of resin-bound partially modified retro (PMR) (**6a**–**6c**, **6e**–**6i**) and partially modified retro-inverso (PMRI) (**6d**) ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly tripeptides. As expected FT-IR monitoring of the coupling showed that the CO₂H band at *ca* 1 600 cm⁻¹ was progressively replaced by a new strong amide CO band at 1 690–1 650 cm⁻¹.

Finally, treatment of resins **6a**–**6i** with 20% TFA in DCM at room temperature released the target products **7a**–**7i** from the solid support, in good to excellent overall yields and purity in all cases (Table II).

Validation of the method for combinatorial synthesis of PMR- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly polypeptides with different lengths was achieved by its extension to resin-bound di- and tripeptides. In fact, H-Val-Gly-OWang dipeptide resin **8** (Scheme 3), which was prepared by conventional Fmoc chemistry, gave the conjugate *N*-addition to **3** affording

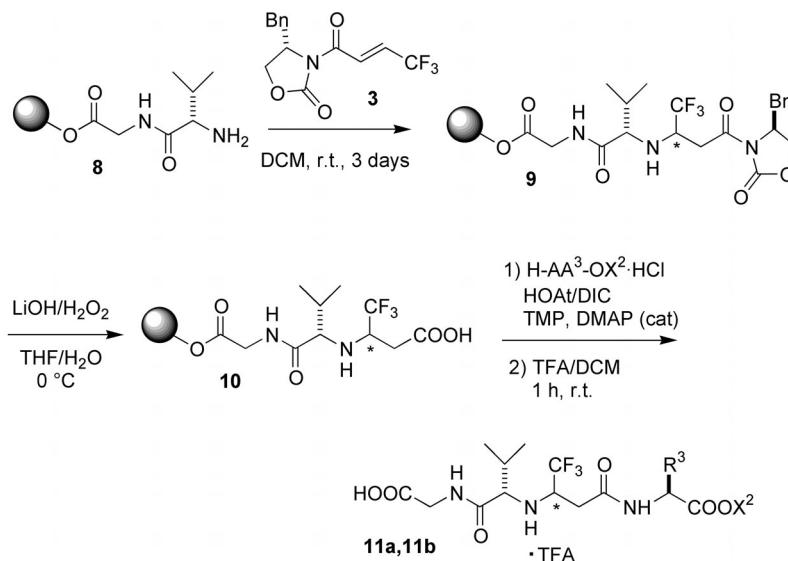
TABLE II
Parallel library of partially-modified ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly tripeptides **7** (Scheme 2)

Entry	R ¹	AA ²	X ¹	Product	Yield, % ^a	Purity, % ^b
1	H	L-Phe	Bn	7a	49 ^c	>90
2	iso-Pr	L-Phe	Bn	7b	59	90
3	iso-Pr	L-Ala	Me	7c	59	90
4	iso-Pr	D-Ala	Me	7d	68	83
5	iso-Pr	L-Leu	Bn	7e	53	90
6	iso-Pr	L-Pro	Bn	7f	69	93
7	iso-Pr	L-Val	Bn	7g	79	89
8	iso-Pr	Gly	Me	7h	46	>95
9	iso-Pr	L-Ile	Me	7i	65	75

^a Overall yield from the Wang resin unless otherwise stated. ^b Determined by ¹⁹F and ¹H NMR of **7a**–**7i**. ^c Overall yield from **1b**.

the supported tripeptide mimic **9**. Also in this case the reaction could be monitored by FT-IR microscopy following the progressive appearance of the strong band of the CO carbamate bond (1785 cm^{-1}). This reaction was less stereoselective (diastereoisomeric ratio 4.5 : 1) than that involving the resin H-Val-OWang **1a** (diastereomeric ratio 7 : 1, Table I, entry 1). This observation is in agreement with previous work performed in solution, which showed that the additions of α -amino acid amides to (*S*)-3-(*E*-enoyl)-1,3-oxazolidin-2-one **3** occur with lower stereoselectivity as compared with the parent α -amino acid esters^{4b,4c}.

After the usual highly chemoselective exocyclic cleavage of the oxazolidin-2-one from the resin **9**, the resulting resin bound pseudo-tripeptide **10** was coupled with two different α -amino acid esters using the



SCHEME 3

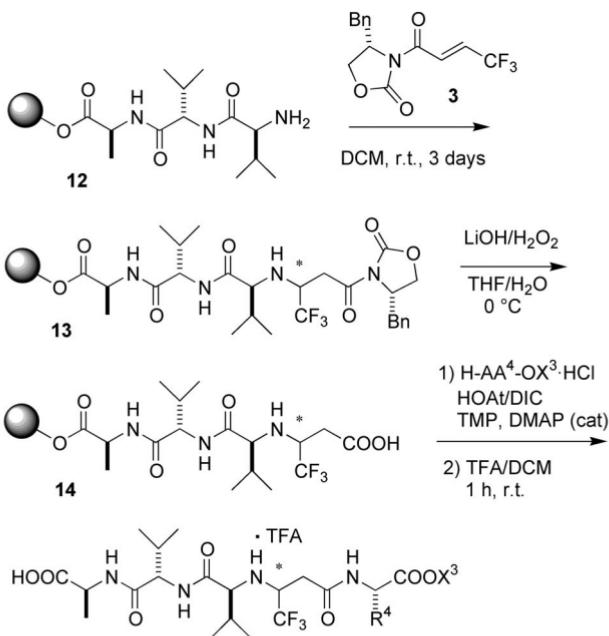
TABLE III
Solid-phase synthesis of partially modified ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly tetrapeptides **11** (Scheme 3)

Entry	R ³	AA ³	X ²	Product	d.r.	Yield, % ^a	Purity, % ^b
1	Bn	L-Phe	Bn	11a	4.5:1	48	89
2	Me	L-Ala	Me	11b	4.5:1	68	83

^a Overall yield from the starting Wang resin. ^b Determined by ¹⁹F and ¹H NMR.

HOAt/DIC system (Scheme 3). After cleavage from the solid support (20% TFA in DCM), the target PMR- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly tetrapeptides **11a**, **11b** were obtained in good overall yields and very good purity (Table III).

Next, we prepared by Fmoc-chemistry the tripeptide resin H-Val-Val-Ala-OWang **12** (Scheme 4), which was subjected to the conjugate addition with **3**, taking place very effectively in 3 days at room tempera-



SCHEME 4

TABLE IV
Parallel library of partially-modified ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly pentapeptides **15** (Scheme 4)

Entry	R ⁴	AA ⁴	X ³	Product	d.r.	Yield, % ^a	Purity, % ^b
1	Me	L-Ala	Me	15a	10:1	76	82
2	iso-Bu	L-Leu	Bn	15b	10:1	77	83
3	sec-Bu	L-Ile	Me	15c	10:1	63	86
4	iso-Pr	L-Val	Bn	15d	10:1	75	87
5	Bn	L-Phe	Me	15e	10:1	74	85

^a Overall yield from the starting Wang resin. ^b Determined by ¹⁹F and ¹H NMR.

ture. Interestingly, in this case we observed the highest diastereoselection as compared with the conjugate additions of H-Val-OWang **1a** and H-Val-Gly-OWang **8**. In fact, a 10 : 1 mixture of diastereoisomers **15a–15e** was formed (¹H and ¹⁹F NMR analysis), whereas the addition of **1a** and **8** produced 7 : 1 and 4.5 : 1 mixtures of diastereoisomers **7b–7i** and **11a, 11b**, respectively. This shows that additional stereocenters, even in remote position of the nucleophile, can have a strong influence on the stereochemical outcome of the conjugate additions¹⁴.

Following the same synthetic strategy used for the synthesis of tri- and tetrapeptides **7a–7i** and **11a, 11b**, the resin **13** was chemoselectively hydrolysed at the C-terminus by treatment with lithium hydroperoxide generated *in situ*. The resulting pseudotetrapeptide resin **14** was coupled (HOAt/DIC) with five different α -amino acid esters generating, after release from the resin, the PMR- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly pentapeptides **15a–15e** with very good overall yields and purity (Table IV).

Analytically pure PMR- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly pentapeptides could be obtained either by washing with organic solvents (or mixtures of them), or by flash chromatography (FC). For instance, FC of the pentapeptide **15b** gave a mixture of the two epimers with very high chemical purity¹². On the other hand, washing of epimeric pentapeptides **15c** with a mixture ethyl acetate–ethyl ether (about 1 : 1) afforded a single diastereomer with nearly 100% chemical purity.

CONCLUSIONS

An effective solid-phase procedure for the preparation of a novel structural family of fluorinated retro and retro-inverso peptides, *i.e.* PMR- and PMRI- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly peptides has been developed. Solid supported α -amino acid esters as well as dipeptides and tripeptides effectively gave rise to Michael-type *N*-additions to the chiral fluorinated acceptor **3**, affording the -NHCH(CF₃)- unit. Using this strategy we have been able to prepare small libraries of PMR- and PMRI- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly tripeptides, tetrapeptides and pentapeptides with very good yields and excellent purity in all cases. It should be possible to exploit the same strategy for the synthesis of more complex PMR- and PMRI- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-AA polypeptides having different substituents at the α -position (R² ≠ H in Fig. 1) or PMR- and PMRI- ψ [NHCH(R_F)]-AA polypeptides having different fluoroalkyl (R_F) groups. These synthetic issues, as well as others related with the structural, conformational and biological features of PMR- and PMRI- ψ [NHCH(R_F)] polypeptides, are at present being addressed in our laboratories.

EXPERIMENTAL

Methods

NMR spectra were taken on spectrometers Bruker 250 (250 MHz for ¹H, 235.4 MHz for ¹⁹F and 62.9 MHz for ¹³C) and Bruker 500 (500 MHz for ¹H, 470.6 MHz for ¹⁹F and 125.7 MHz for ¹³C). Chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm of the applied field, coupling constants (J) in Hz. Me₄Si was used as internal standard (δ_{H} and δ_{C} 0.00) for ¹H and ¹³C nuclei, while C₆F₆ was used as external standard (δ_{F} -162.90) for ¹⁹F nuclei. Peak multiplicities are abbreviated: singlet s, doublet d, triplet t, quartet q, multiplet m, etc. A three-stage quadrupole instrument DIS (Direct Inlet System) was used for mass spectrometry of pure compounds. Infrared spectra of resins (ν_{max} in cm⁻¹) were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 2000 FTIR spectrometer preparing samples in KBr pellets or directly using a Perkin-Elmer Multiscope FTIR Microscope. Commercially available reagent-grade solvents were employed without purification. Wang resin (100–200 or 200–400 mesh, loading 1.3 mmol/g) was purchased from Novabiochem.

Solid-Phase Michael Addition: Synthesis of Resins **2a–2f**, **9** and **13**. Typical Procedure

A solid-phase reaction vessel was charged with H-Val-O-Wang resin **1a** (1.15 mmol/g, 1.15 equivalents), **3** (1.03 g, 3.45 equivalents) and DCM (24.4 ml), and shaken at room temperature for 3 days. The solution was drained and the solvent evaporated *in vacuo* to recover the unreacted compound **3** (0.69 g, 2.3 equivalents). The resin was washed with DCM (5 \times 20 ml) and dried *in vacuo* to constant weight to give **2a**.

Resin 2a: FTIR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 785, 1\ 732, 1\ 700$.

Resin 2b: FTIR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 793, 1\ 735, 1\ 704$.

Resin 2c: FTIR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 787, 1\ 735, 1\ 719$.

Resin 2d: FTIR (microscope): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 792, 1\ 736, 1\ 701$.

Resin 2e: FTIR (microscope): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 785, 1\ 727, 1\ 701$.

Resin 2f: FTIR (microscope): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 781, 1\ 736, 1\ 700$.

Resin 9: FTIR (microscope): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 785, 1\ 751, 1\ 676, 1\ 602$.

Resin 13: FTIR (microscope): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 792, 1\ 737, 1\ 650$.

Solid-Phase Cleavage of the Oxazolidinone; Synthesis of Resins **5a**, **5b**, **10** and **14**.

Typical Procedure

In a round-bottom flask the resin **2a** (0.87 mmol/g, 0.87 equivalent) was suspended in a 4 : 1 mixture of THF-H₂O (23 ml). To this suspension was added, at 0 °C and under nitrogen atmosphere, a 30% aqueous solution of H₂O₂ (0.36 ml, 3.48 equivalents), followed by solid LiOH (21 mg, 0.87 mmol). The mixture was stirred for 2 h, then the solution was drained and the resin washed with water (3 \times 20 ml), MeOH (3 \times 20 ml), DCM (3 \times 20 ml) and dried *in vacuo* to a constant weight to give **5a**.

Resin 5a: FTIR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 735, 1\ 618$.

Resin 5b: FTIR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 735, 1\ 618$.

Resin 10: FTIR (microscope): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 743, 1\ 618$.

Resin 14: FTIR (microscope): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 741, 1\ 602$.

Solid-Phase Coupling with α -Amino Acid Esters and Cleavage from the Resin:
Synthesis of the Products **7a–7i**, **11a**, **11b** and **15a–15e**. Typical Procedure

A solid-phase reaction vessel was charged with resin **5a** (1.00 mmol/g, 0.10 equivalent), L-Ala-OMe-HCl (42 mg, 0.30 equivalent), HOAt (41 mg, 0.30 equivalent), DIC (0.047 ml, 0.30 equivalent), TMP (0.080 ml, 0.6 equivalent), a catalytic amount of DMAP and DMF (2 ml) and then shaken at room temperature overnight. The solution was drained and the resin was washed with DMF (3 \times 20 ml), DCM (3 \times 20 ml), MeOH (3 \times 20 ml), DCM (3 \times 20 ml), and dried *in vacuo* to constant weight to give **6c**.

Resin 6a: FTIR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 735, 1\ 685, 1\ 655$.

Resin 6b: FTIR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 736, 1\ 655, 1\ 613$.

Resin 6c: FTIR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 735, 1\ 653, 1\ 613$.

Resin 6d: FTIR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 736, 1\ 658, 1\ 618$.

Resin 6e: FTIR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 736, 1\ 654, 1\ 615$.

Resin 6f: FTIR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 736, 1\ 684, 1\ 652$.

Resin 6g: FTIR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 735, 1\ 685, 1\ 654$.

Resin 6h: FTIR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 736, 1\ 686, 1\ 655$.

Resin 6i: FTIR (KBr): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 736, 1\ 654, 1\ 614$.

Resin bound 11a: FTIR (microscope): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 744, 1\ 672$.

Resin bound 11b: FTIR (microscope): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 745, 1\ 672$.

Resin bound 15a: FTIR (microscope): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 740, 1\ 671, 1\ 655$.

Resin bound 15b: FTIR (microscope): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 740, 1\ 675, 1\ 655$.

Resin bound 15c: FTIR (microscope): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 735, 1\ 671, 1\ 655$.

Resin bound 15d: FTIR (microscope): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 739, 1\ 664$.

Resin bound 15e: FTIR (microscope): $\nu_{\text{max}} = 1\ 741, 1\ 675, 1\ 655$.

The resulting resin **6c** was shaken with 20 vol.% TFA in CH_2Cl_2 (2 ml) at room temperature for 1 h. The solution was drained and the resin was washed three times with the same mixture. The solvent was evaporated *in vacuo* to recover 31 mg of the PMR- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly peptide **7c** (58% overall yields).

NMR and Mass Spectra

4b, major diastereomer: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, acetone-*d*₆): 7.36 (m, 5 H, Ar); 4.80 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₂Ph)-); 4.38 (m, 1 H, -OCHH-); 4.27 (m, 1 H, -OCHH-); 3.95 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.67 (m, 2 H, -NHCH₂COOH); 3.32 (m, 2 H, -COCHH- + -CHHPh); 3.25 (dd, *J* = 5.4, 3.2, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.99 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 4.6, 1 H, -CHHPh). ¹⁹F NMR (235.4 MHz, CDCl₃): -72.2 (br s, 3 F). EI-MS (70 eV), *m/z* (%): 375 (20) [M⁺ + 1], 299 (19), 123 (62), 91 (100).

4b, minor diastereomer: ¹⁹F NMR (235.4 MHz, CDCl₃): -76.5 (br s, 3 F).

4c, major diastereomer: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, acetone-*d*₆): 7.36–7.25 (m, 5 H, Ar); 4.79 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₂Ph)-); 4.39 (m, 1 H, -OCHH-); 4.26 (m, 1 H, -OCHH-); 3.85 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.66 (m, 1 H, -NHCH(CH₃)-); 3.38 (m, 2 H, -COCHH- + -CHHPh); 3.23 (m, 2 H, -COCHH- + -CHHPh); 1.35 (m, 3 H, -CH(CH₃)-). ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -76.5 (br s, 3 F). EI-MS (70 eV), *m/z* (%): 389 (88) [M⁺ + 1], 343 (100), 124 (35), 91 (52).

4c, minor diastereomer: ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -77.5 (br s, 3 F).

4d, major diastereomer: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD): 7.36–7.19 (m, 5 H, Ar); 4.74 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₂Ph)-); 4.30 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 2.7, 1 H, -OCHH-); 4.21 (dd, *J* = 8.2, 5.7, 1 H, -OCHH-); 3.87 (m, 2 H, -NHCH(COOH)- and -CH(CF₃)-); 3.37 (dd, *J* = 16.2, 3.5, 1 H, -CHHCOOH); 3.21 (m, 1 H, -CHHPh); 3.03 (dd, *J* = 16.2, 3.7, 1 H, -CHHCOOH); 2.92 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 6.2, 1 H,

-CHHPh); 2.75 (dd, J = 16.3, 4.2, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.67 (dd, 1 H, J = 16.3, 6.7, -COCHH-). ¹⁹F NMR (235.4 MHz, CD₃OD): -75.3 (d, J = 7.5, 3 F). EI-MS (70 eV), m/z (%): 433 (18) [M⁺ + 1], 123 (60), 91 (100).

4d, minor diastereomer. ¹⁹F NMR (235.4 MHz, CD₃OD): -74.2 (d, J = 7.3, 3 F).

4e, major diastereomer. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD): 7.36–7.19 (m, 5 H, Ar); 4.32 (m, 1 H, -OCHH-); 4.22 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.9, 1 H, -OCHH-); 3.75 (m, 1 H, -NHCH(COOH)-); 3.38 (m, 2 H, -CHHPh and -CH(CF₃)-); 3.25 (dd, J = 13.7, 8.8, 1 H, -CHHPh); 3.14 (dd, J = 15.7, 9.5, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.90 (dd, J = 15.7, 8.7, 1 H, -COCHH-); 1.72 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)-); 1.50 (m, 1 H, -CHH(CH₃)); 1.20 (m, 1 H, -CHH(CH₃)); 0.97 (d, J = 6.8, 3 H, CH₃CH-); 0.91 (t, J = 7.3, 3 H, CH₃CH₂-). ¹⁹F NMR (235.4 MHz, CD₃OD): -74.9 (d, J = 7.3, 3 F). EI-MS (70 eV), m/z (%): 431 (13) [M⁺ + 1], 385 (68), 91 (100).

4e, minor diastereomer. ¹⁹F NMR (235.4 MHz, CD₃OD): -73.3 (d, J = 7.3, 3 F).

4f, major diastereomer. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃OD): 7.36–7.13 (m, 5 H, Ar); 7.07–6.90 (m, 2 H, 4-HO-C₆H₄-); 6.75–6.61 (m, 2 H, 4-HO-C₆H₄-); 4.61 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₂Ph)-); 4.26 (m, 1 H, -OCHH-); 4.17 (m, 1 H, -OCHH-); 3.75 (m, 2 H, -NHCH(COOH)- and -CH(CF₃)-); 3.31 (m, 2 H, -CHHPh and 4-HO-C₆H₄-CHH-); 3.14 (m, 2 H, -CHHPh and 4-HO-C₆H₄-CHH-); 2.88 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.79 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-). ¹⁹F NMR (235.4 MHz, CD₃OD): -74.5 (d, J = 7.2, 3 F). EI-MS (70 eV), m/z (%): 481 (20) [M⁺ + 1], 91 (80), 107 (100).

4f, minor diastereomer. ¹⁹F NMR (235.4 MHz, CD₃OD): -73.7 (d, J = 8.7, 3 F).

7a, major diastereomer. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, acetone-*d*₆): 7.44–7.18 (m, 10 H, Ar); 5.13 (s, 2 H, -OCOCH₂Ph); 4.83 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₂Ph)-); 3.65 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.54 (m, 2 H, -NHCH₂COOH); 3.32 (m, 2 H, -CH₂Ph); 3.07 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.60 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-).

¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -76.9 (br s, 3 F). EI-MS (70 eV), m/z (%): 453 (2) [M⁺ + 1], 120 (18), 91 (100).

7a, minor diastereomer. ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -76.4 (br s, 3 F).

7b, major diastereomer. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.38–7.18 (m, 8 H, Ar); 7.69 (m, 2 H, Ar); 6.47 (br d, J = 7.3, 1 H, -CONH-); 5.16 (d, J = 11.9, 1 H, -OCOCHHPh); 5.11 (d, J = 11.9, 1 H, -OCOCHHPh); 4.94 (m, 1 H, -NHCH(CH₂Ph)-); 3.53 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.46 (d, J = 4.1, 1 H, -NHCH(iPr)-); 3.12 (m, 2 H, -CH₂Ph); 2.65 (dd, J = 16.0, 3.2, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.33 (dd, J = 16.0, 10.1, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.12 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)-); 1.00 (d, J = 6.9, 3 H, -CH₃CH(CH₃)); 0.92 (d, J = 6.9, 3 H, -CH₃CH(CH₃)). ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -75.2 (d, J = 5.2, 3 F). EI-MS (70 eV), m/z (%): 449 (2) [M⁺ - CO₂], 120 (2), 91 (100).

7b, minor diastereomer. ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -75.5 (d, J = 5.6, 3 F).

7c, major diastereomer. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.20 (br d, J = 6.9, 1 H, -CONH-); 4.61 (m, 1 H, -NHCH(CH₃)-); 3.76 (s, 3 H, -COOCH₃); 3.63 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.55 (m, 1 H, -NHCH(iPr)-); 2.75 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.50 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.15 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)₂); 1.44 (br s, 3 H, -CHCH₃); 1.04 (br s, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃); 0.97 (br s, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃). ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -74.9 (br s, 3 F). CI-MS, m/z (%): 343 (100) [M⁺ + 1].

7c, minor diastereomer. ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -75.3 (br s, 3 F).

7d, major diastereomer. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.30 (br s, 1 H, -CONH-); 4.61 (m, 1 H, -NHCH(CH₃)-); 3.77 (s, 3 H, -COOCH₃); 3.73 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.60 (m, 1 H, -NHCH(iPr)-); 2.78 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.60 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.18 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)₂); 1.44 (br s, 3 H, -CHCH₃); 1.04 (br s, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃); 0.99 (br s, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃). ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -74.3 (br s, 3 F). CI-MS, m/z (%): 343 (100) [M⁺ + 1].

7d, minor diastereomer. ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -75.4 (br s, 3 F).

7e, major diastereomer. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.39–7.29 (m, 5 H, Ar); 6.77 (br s, 1 H, -CONH-); 5.18 (d, J = 12.8, 1 H, -OCOCHHPh); 5.13 (d, J = 12.8, 1 H, -OCOCHHPh); 4.69

(m, 1 H, -NHCH(iBu)-); 3.59 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.53 (m, 1 H, -NHCH(iPr)-); 2.74 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.46 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.15 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)₂Val); 1.65 (m, 2 H, -CH₂CH(CH₃)₂); 1.58 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)₂Leu); 1.01 (d, *J* = 6.9, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃Val); 0.93 (d, *J* = 6.9, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃Val); 0.91 (d, *J* = 5.0, 6H, -CH₃CHCH₃Leu). ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -74.7 (br s, 3 F). CI-MS, *m/z* (%): 461 (100) [M⁺ + 1].

7e, minor diastereomer. ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -75.4 (br s, 3 F).

7f, major diastereomer. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.40–7.30 (m, 5 H, Ar); 5.19 (d, *J* = 12.4, 1 H, -OCOCHHPh); 5.14 (d, *J* = 12.4, 1 H, -OCOCHHPh); 4.60 (m, 1 H, -CH(COOCH₂Ph)-); 3.78 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.60 (m, 3 H, -NHCH(iPr)- and -CH₂N(CO)-); 2.82 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.65 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.22 (m, 2 H, -CH₂CHCOO-); 2.05 (m, 3 H, -CH₂CH₂N(CO)- + -CH(CH₃)₂); 1.02 (br s, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃); 0.96 (br s, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃). ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -74.2 (br s, 3 F). CI-MS, *m/z* (%): 445 (100).

7f, minor diastereomer. ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -75.6 (br s, 3 F).

7g, major diastereomer. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.35 (m, 5 H, Ar); 7.13 (br s, 1 H, -CONH-); 5.23 (d, *J* = 11.9, 1 H, -OCOCHHPh); 5.14 (d, *J* = 11.9, 1 H, -OCOCHHPh); 4.55 (m, 1 H, -CONHCH(iPr)-); 3.72 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.57 (m, 1 H, -NHCH(iPr)COOH); 2.82 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.61 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.19 (m, 2 H, -CH(CH₃)₂); 1.03 (br s, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃); 0.96 (br s, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃); 0.92 (d, *J* = 5.0, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃); 0.88 (d, *J* = 5.0, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃). ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -74.2 (br s, 3 F). CI-MS, *m/z* (%): 447 (100) [M⁺ + 1].

7g, minor diastereomer. ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -75.5 (br s, 3 F).

7h, major diastereomer. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): 8.53 (br t, *J* = 5.9, 1 H, -CONH-); 3.87 (dd, *J* = 17.4, 5.5, 1 H, -CHHCOOMe); 3.87 (dd, *J* = 17.4, 5.9, 1 H, -CHHCOOMe); 3.62 (s, 3 H, -COOCH₃); 3.50 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.05 (d, 1 H, *J* = 5.0, -NHCH(iPr)-); 2.53 (dd, *J* = 15.1, 5.5, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.45 (dd, *J* = 15.1, 6.9, 1 H, -COCHH-); 1.84 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)₂); 0.89 (d, *J* = 6.9, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃); 0.84 (d, *J* = 6.9, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃). ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): -75.2 (d, *J* = 7.6, 3 F). CI-MS, *m/z* (%): 329 (100) [M⁺ + 1].

7h, minor diastereomer. ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): -73.9 (br s, 3 F).

7i, major diastereomer. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 7.20 (br s, 1 H, -CONH-); 4.57 (m, 1 H, -CH(COOMe)-); 3.84 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.75 (s, 3 H, -COOCH₃); 3.66 (m, 1 H, -NHCH(iPr)-); 2.87 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.72 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.23 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₂CH₃)-); 1.90 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)₂); 1.43 (m, 1 H, -CHHCH₃); 1.20 (m, 1 H, -CHHCH₃); 1.05 (br s, 3 H, -CH(CH₃)Ile); 1.01 (br s, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃); 0.91 (br s, 6 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃ + -CH₂CH₃). ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -73.5 (br s, 3 F). CI-MS, *m/z* (%): 385 (100) [M⁺ + 1].

7i, minor diastereomer. ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CDCl₃): -74.5 (br s, 3 F).

11a, major diastereomer. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD): 7.25 (m, 10 H, Ar); 5.10 (s, 2 H, -OCOCH₂Ph); 4.72 (dd, *J* = 7.3, 6.6, 1 H, -NHCH(CH₂Ph)CO-); 3.93 (m, 2 H, -NHCH₂COOH); 3.65 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.13 (dd, *J* = 13.9, 6.6, 1 H, -CHHPh); 3.03 (dd, *J* = 13.9, 7.3, 1 H, -CHHPh); 2.60 (dd, *J* = 15.4, 4.0, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.48 (dd, *J* = 15.4, 9.4, 1 H, -COCHH-); 1.95 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)₂); 0.97 (d, *J* = 6.9, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃); 0.93 (d, *J* = 6.9, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃). ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CD₃OD): -75.4 (d, *J* = 6.5, 3 F). ¹³C NMR (127.7 MHz, CD₃OD): 176.4, 172.9, 172.8, 171.8, 137.9, 136.9, 130.1, 129.5, 129.4, 129.2, 128.1 (q, *J* = 284.9); 127.8, 67.9, 67.3, 55.7 (q, *J* = 28.6); 41.5, 38.4, 36.1, 32.9, 19.6, 18.3. CI-MS, *m/z* (%): 553 (100) [M⁺ + 1].

11a, minor diastereomer. ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CD₃OD): -76.6 (d, *J* = 7.3, 3 F).

11b, major diastereomer: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD): 4.43 (q, $J = 7.3$, 1 H, -NHCH(CH₃)CO-); 3.95 (m, 2 H, -NHCH₂COOH); 3.71 (m, 4 H, -COOCH₃ and -CH(CF₃)-); 2.66 (m, 2 H, -CH(iPr)- and -COCHH-); 2.52 (m, 1 H, -COCHH-); 1.97 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)₂); 1.39 (d, $J = 7.3$, 3 H, -CH(CH₃)-); 1.01 (d, $J = 6.9$, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃); 0.97 (d, $J = 6.9$, 3 H, -(CH₃)CHCH₃). ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CD₃OD): -75.7 (d, $J = 6.5$, 3 F). ¹³C NMR (127.7 MHz, CD₃OD): 176.5, 174.0, 172.8, 171.7, 128.1 (q, $J = 284.7$); 67.3, 56.2 (q, $J = 27.7$); 52.8, 41.6, 36.3, 33.0, 19.6, 18.9, 18.2, 17.3. CI-MS, m/z (%): 400 (100) [M⁺ + 1].

11b, minor diastereomer: ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CD₃OD): -76.7 (d, $J = 7.3$, 3 F).

15a, major diastereomer: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD): 4.44 (m, 2 H, -NHCH(CH₃)COOCH₃ and -NHCH(CH₃)COOH); 4.14 (d, $J = 7.8$, 1 H, -CONHCH(iPr)CO-); 3.83 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.70 (s, 3 H, -COOCH₃); 3.43 (d, $J = 4.9$, 1 H, -CHNHCH(iPr)CO-); 2.72 (dd, $J = 15.9$, 3.7, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.61 (dd, $J = 15.9$, 10.4, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.18 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)₂); 2.01 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)₂); 1.40 (d, $J = 7.2$, 3 H, -CH(CH₃)-); 1.36 (d, $J = 7.2$, 3 H, -CH(CH₃)-); 1.02–0.92 (m, 12 H, -CH(CH₃)₂). ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CD₃OD): -74.5 (d, $J = 7.3$, 3 F). ¹³C NMR (127.7 MHz, CD₃OD): 175.9, 175.5, 174.6, 173.6, 172.1, 128.2 (q, $J = 286.6$); 66.8, 61.3, 55.5 (q, $J = 27.7$); 52.8, 52.7, 52.6, 35.9, 33.1, 31.5, 19.8, 19.7, 19.5, 18.1, 17.3. CI-MS, m/z (%): 513 (100) [M⁺ + 1].

15a, minor diastereomer: ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CD₃OD): -77.3 (d, $J = 6.5$).

15b, major diastereomer: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD): 7.37–7.28 (m, 5 H, Ar); 5.16 (d, $J = 12.2$, 1 H, -OCOCHHPh); 5.12 (d, $J = 12.2$, 1 H, -OCOCHHPh); 4.50 (t, $J = 7.1$, 1 H, -CH(iBu)-); 4.44 (q, $J = 7.1$, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)-); 4.14 (d, $J = 8.1$, 1 H, -CONHCH(iPr)CO-); 3.86 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.46 (d, $J = 4.4$, 1 H, CHNHCH(iPr)CO-); 2.74 (dd, $J = 15.8$, 4.4, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.62 (dd, $J = 15.8$, 9.9, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.19 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)₂); 2.03 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)₂); 1.69 (m, 1 H, -CH₂CH(CH₃)₂); 1.63 (m, 2 H, -CH₂(CH₃)₂); 1.31 (d, $J = 7.1$, 3 H, -CH(CH₃)-); 1.02–0.88 (m, 18 H, -CH(CH₃)₂). ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CD₃OD): -74.2 (d, $J = 6.5$, 3 F). ¹³C NMR (127.7 MHz, CD₃OD): 175.7, 175.4, 173.8, 172.4, 172.3, 137.1, 130.6, 129.3, 129.1, 128.4 (q, $J = 286.6$); 67.8, 66.5, 61.5, 55.4 (q, $J = 27.6$); 52.6, 41.1, 35.8, 33.0, 31.3, 25.9, 23.1, 21.9, 19.9, 19.8, 19.5, 18.2, 18.1. CI-MS, m/z (%): 631 (100) [M⁺ + 1].

15b, minor diastereomer: ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CD₃OD): -76.5 (d, $J = 7.3$, 3 F).

15c, major diastereomer: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD): 4.46 (q, $J = 7.1$, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)-); 4.42 (d, $J = 6.0$, 1 H, -CONHCH(iPr)CO-); 3.86 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.71 (s, 3 H, -COOCH₃); 3.46 (d, $J = 3.7$, 1 H, -CHNHCH(iPr)CO-); 2.76 (dd, $J = 15.8$, 3.7, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.66 (dd, $J = 15.8$, 9.9, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.20 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)₂); 2.04 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)₂); 1.89 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₂CH₃)-); 1.51 (m, 1 H, -CHHCH₃); 1.36 (d, $J = 7.1$, 3 H, -CH(CH₃)-); 1.25 (m, 1 H, -CHHCH₃); 0.96–0.87 (m, 18 H, -CH₂CH₃, -CH₃CH(CH₂CH₃)₂ and -CH(CH₃)₂). ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CD₃OD): -74.2 (d, $J = 6.5$). ¹³C NMR (127.7 MHz, CD₃OD): 178.5, 175.4, 173.7, 173.3, 172.3, 128.4 (q, $J = 286.7$); 66.6, 61.7, 58.4, 55.4 (q, $J = 27.7$); 52.4, 38.4, 35.7, 33.0, 31.4, 26.4, 19.8, 19.5, 18.3, 18.2, 16.1, 15.8, 11.7. CI-MS, m/z (%): 556 (100) [M⁺ + 1].

15c, minor diastereomer: ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CD₃OD): -76.6 (d, $J = 7.3$).

15d, major diastereomer: ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD): 7.38–7.25 (m, 5 H, Ar); 5.19 (d, $J = 12.1$, 1 H, -OCOCHHPh); 5.13 (d, $J = 12.1$, 1 H, -OCOCHHPh); 4.45 (q, $J = 7.1$, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)-); 4.38 (d, $J = 6.0$, 1 H, -COCH(iPr)NH-); 4.12 (m, 1 H, -CONHCH(iPr)CO-); 3.86 (m, 1 H, -CH(CF₃)-); 3.43 (d, $J = 4.3$, 1 H, -CHNHCH(iPr)CO-); 2.76 (dd, $J = 15.9$, 4.4, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.66 (dd, $J = 15.9$, 9.9, 1 H, -COCHH-); 2.17 (m, 2 H, -CH(CH₃)₂); 2.02 (m, 1 H, -CH(CH₃)₂); 1.31 (d, $J = 7.1$, 3 H, -CH(CH₃)-); 1.02–0.88 (m, 18 H, -CH(CH₃)₂). ¹⁹F NMR (470.6 MHz, CD₃OD): -74.3 (d, $J = 6.5$, 3 F). ¹³C NMR (127.7 MHz, CD₃OD): 175.7, 175.4, 173.7, 172.7, 172.4, 137.2, 129.6, 129.3, 67.9, 66.6, 61.5, 59.6, 55.5 (q, $J = 27.6$); 35.9, 33.1.

33.0, 31.6, 31.5, 19.9, 19.8, 19.6, 19.4, 18.6, 18.3, 18.2; the -CF_3 signal was obscured due to its low intensity. CI-MS, *m/z* (%): 618 (100) [$\text{M}^+ + 1$].

15d, minor diastereomer. ^{19}F NMR (470.6 MHz, CD_3OD): -76.8 (d, $J = 7.3$, 3 F).

15e, major diastereomer. ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CD_3OD): 7.31–7.18 (m, 5 H, Ar); 4.68 (dd, $J = 8.4$, 5.6, 1 H, $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})\text{-}$); 4.44 (q, $J = 7.5$, 1 H, $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{-}$); 4.14 (d, $J = 8.4$, 1 H, $-\text{CONHCH}(\text{iPr})\text{CO-}$); 3.78 (m, 1 H, $-\text{CH}(\text{CF}_3)\text{-}$); 3.39 (d, $J = 4.7$, 1 H, $-\text{CHNHCH}(\text{iPr})\text{CO-}$); 3.31 (s, 3 H, $-\text{COOCH}_3$); 3.15 (dd, $J = 14.1$, 5.6, 1 H, $-\text{CHHPh}$); 3.02 (dd, $J = 14.1$ and 8.4, 1 H, $-\text{CHHPh}$); 2.71 (dd, $J = 16.0$, 3.8, 1 H, $-\text{COCHH-}$); 2.54 (dd, $J = 16.0$, 6.6, 1 H, $-\text{COCHH-}$); 2.17 (m, 1 H, $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$); 1.97 (m, 1 H, $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$); 1.34 (d, $J = 7.5$, 3 H, $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{-}$); 1.01–0.70 (m, 12 H, $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$). ^{19}F NMR (470.6 MHz, CD_3OD): -74.4 (d, $J = 6.5$, 3 F). ^{13}C NMR (127.7 MHz, CD_3OD): 175.4, 174.4, 173.6, 173.4, 172.1, 138.2, 130.2, 129.6, 129.5, 128.0 (q, $J = 286.7$); 66.7, 61.3, 55.8, 55.5 (q, $J = 26.9$); 52.6, 38.3, 35.8, 33.0, 31.5, 19.8, 19.7, 19.6, 18.4, 18.3, 18.2. CI-MS, *m/z* (%): 589 (100) [$\text{M}^+ + 1$].

15e, minor diastereomer. ^{19}F NMR (470.6 MHz, CD_3OD): -76.5 (d, $J = 7.3$).

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experimentally. However, the remarkable analogies (in terms of stereoselectivity, as well as of spectroscopic and analytical properties) existing between the PMR- ψ [NHCH(CF₃)]-Gly peptides prepared in solution^{4a} or solid-phase chemistry strongly suggest that the main diastereomers of **4a**, **4c**, **4e**, **4f**, and their derivatives should have (S)-configuration at the [CH*(CF₃)NH] center.

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