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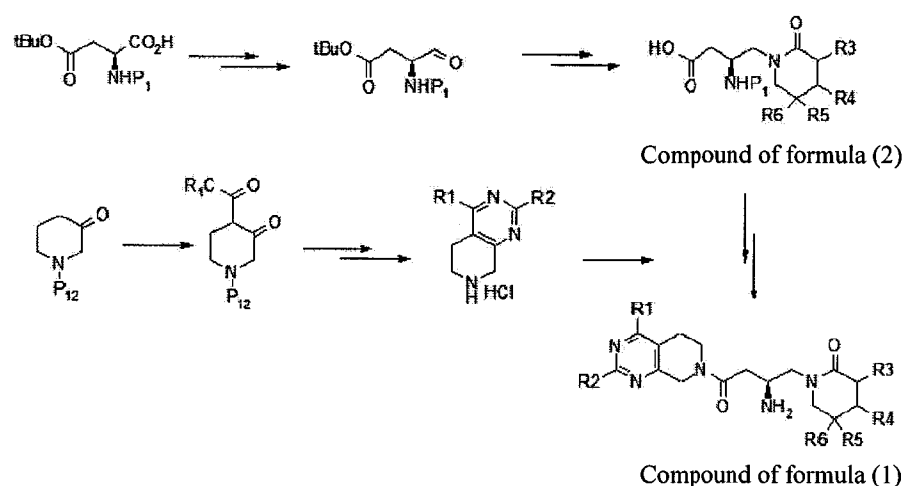
Description**Technical Field**

5 **[0001]** The present invention relates to a novel method for production of a compound of formula (2) as the major intermediate for synthesizing a compound of formula (1), which exhibits good inhibitory activity for Dipeptidyl Peptidase-IV (DPP-IV) and thus can be used as a medicinal product.

Background Art

10 **[0002]** The compound of formula (1), as the compound which has been disclosed in International Patent Publication WO 06/104356, exhibits a good inhibitory activity for Dipeptidyl Peptidase-IV enzyme, and therefore can be effectively used for treatment and prevention of diseases caused by the action of Dipeptidyl Peptidase-IV, including diabetes (particularly, type II diabetes), obesity, etc.

15 **[0003]** The methods for preparing the compound of formula (1) by means of the compound of formula (2) as the intermediate have been disclosed in WO 06/104356. Regarding said prior reference, the compounds of formulas (1) and (2) can be prepared by methods-for example, such as the following reaction scheme 1:

Reaction Scheme 1

40 **[0004]** However, in mass-scale production said prior method is difficult to obtain the compound of formula (2) having a high optical purity due to the racemization of a stereogenic center on which the amine group is present in the compound of formula (2) to some extent, and therefore it is also difficult to obtain the compound of formula (1) with a high optical purity.

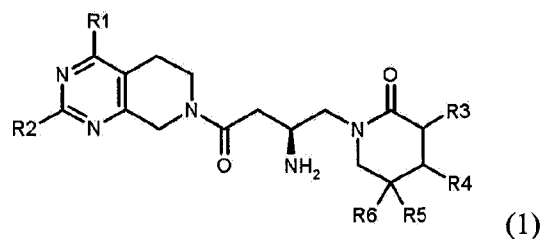
Disclosure of Invention**Technical Problem**

45 **[0005]** The object of the present invention is to provide a novel method for preparing the compound of formula (2), with high optical purity, as the major intermediate for preparing the compound of formula (1), which can be medically used as an agent for inhibiting DPP-IV.

Solution to Problem

50 **[0006]** Therefore, the present invention provides a novel method for preparing the compound of formula (2) as the major intermediate, which can be effectively used for preparation of the compound of formula (1) as an agent for inhibiting DPP-IV:

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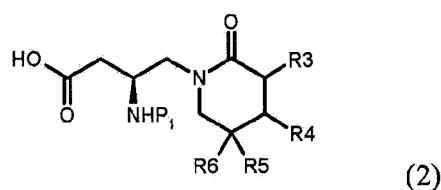


10 [0007] In the above formula,

R1 is hydrogen or CF₃,

R2 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, substituted or unsubstituted C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, substituted or unsubstituted C₃-C₁₀ cycloalkyl, substituted or unsubstituted C₄-C₈ aryl, and substituted or unsubstituted C₃-C₇ heteroaryl; and

each of R3, R4, R5 and R6 is independently hydrogen, halogen, or substituted or unsubstituted C₁-C₄ alkyl.

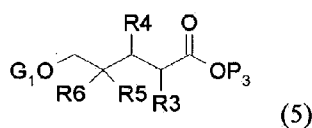
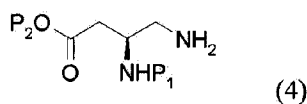


25 [0008] In the above formula, R3, R4, R5 and R6 are as defined above, and P₁ is an amine-protecting group. Preferably, P₁ is Boc (butyloxycarbonyl), Cbz (benzyloxycarbonyl) or Fmoc (9-fluorenylmethyloxycarbonyl) and more preferably, Boc.

[0009] In the above formulas (1) and (2), if C₁-C₄ alkyl is substituted, it can be preferably substituted with halogen, and more preferably, fluorine.

30 1. Preparation of the compound of formula (2)

[0010] The method for preparation of the compound of formula (2) according to the present invention is characterized in that a compound of formula (4) is reacted with a compound of formula (5) and further comprises the step of removing a carboxylic acid protecting group derived from the compound of formula (4) after the reaction of said two compounds.



[0011] In the above formulas,

50 P₁, R3, R4, R5 and R6 are as defined above;

each of P₂ and P₃ is independently benzyl group, methyl group, ethyl group, i-propyl group or t-butyl group;

G₁ functions as a good leaving group together with oxygen. G₁O is triflate (trifluoromethanesulfonate), mesylate, tosylate, besylate or nonaflate (nonafluorobutanesulfonate) and preferably triflate or nonaflate.

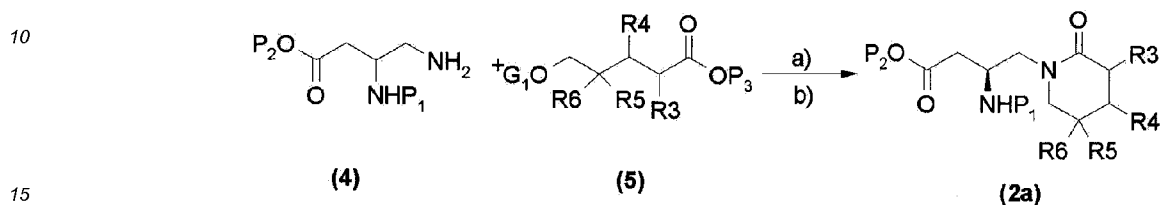
55 [0012] The method of the present invention produces the compound of formula (2) from the compound of formula (4) and the compound of formula (5) via a compound of formula (2a), and specifically comprises:

(a) the step of coupling reaction by addition of a base to the compound of formula (4) and the compound of formula (5),

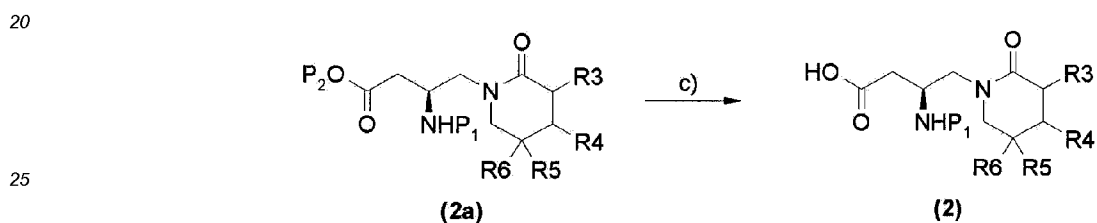
- (b) the step of cyclization by addition of an acid to obtain the compound of formula (2a), and
 (c) the step of removing the carboxylic acid protecting group by hydrolysis of the resulting compound of formula (2a) to obtain the compound of formula (2).

5 **[0013]** The method of the present invention can be represented as the following reaction schemes 2 and 3.

Reaction Scheme 2



Reaction Scheme 3



[0014] In the above schemes,

- 30 a is a base such as Et₃N, Hunig's base, etc.;
- b is an acid such as AcOH, etc., and an organic solvent such as CH₂Cl₂, etc.;
- c varies with the protecting group and typically is selected from the conditions (1) a strong acid such as H₂SO₄, etc. and CH₂Cl₂, aq. NaOH, Boc₂O, and (2) NaOH, EtOH, H₂O, reflux, when P₁ is Boc and P₂ is t-butyl group or is the hydrolysis condition utilizing the base specified in the above condition (2), when P₁ is Boc and P₂ is benzyl group, methyl group, ethyl group and i-propyl group. R₃, R₄, R₅, R₆, P₁, P₂, P₃ and G₁ are as defined above.
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[0015] Specifically, in step (a) the unprotected primary amine of the compound of formula (4) is coupled with a carbon atom having the leaving group in the compound of formula (5) under the basic condition, and -OG₁ is removed. This reaction uses C₁-C₄ trialkylamine, preferably triethylamine or diisopropylethylamine, as the base. As the reaction solvent, common organic solvents such as dichloroethane or dichloromethane, or cyclic ethers (e.g., tetrahydrofuran (THF) or dioxane) can be used. To facilitate the reaction, the base used alternatively serves as the solvent. The reaction can be conducted at any temperature between 0°C and the refluxing temperature.

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[0016] In step (b), the compound of formula (2a) is synthesized through cyclization of the secondary amine group of the compound produced from said step (a), with the internal ester group under the acidic condition. In this reaction, as the acid inorganic acids such as hydrochloric acid, sulfuric acid, nitric acid, phosphoric acid, etc. or organic acids such as formic acid, acetic acid, tartaric acid, etc. can be used, with acetic acid being particularly preferable. The solvent and temperature conditions as described in the above step (a) can be used in this step. Said steps (a) and (b) are conducted in a continuous manner.

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[0017] In step (c), the compound of formula (2a) obtained from step (b) is hydrolyzed to obtain the compound of formula (2). Specifically, in case of the compound of formula (2a) where P₁ is Boc and P₂ is t-butyl group, first a strong acid such as sulfuric acid, hydrochloric acid, phosphoric acid, TFA (trifluoroacetic acid), etc. can be used to remove both protecting groups and Boc protecting group can then be attached again to the amine group under the basic condition to obtain the desired compound of formula (2). Alternatively, the hydrolysis under the basic condition, rather than the acidic condition, can lead to selective removal of only P₂ among the protecting groups P₁ and P₂ to provide the compound of formula (2), and this manner of the procedure is more efficient. Preferably, sodium hydroxide solution is used as the base. Upon completion of the reaction, the compound of formula (2) can be obtained as a solid product through acidification using an acid.

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[0018] In case of the compound where P₁ is Boc and P₂ is benzyl group, methyl group, ethyl group or i-propyl group, the hydrolysis can be conducted by means of a base. The deprotecting reaction is conducted using H₂/Pd-C when P₁ is Cbz, or using Bu₄N⁺F⁻ when P₁ is Fmoc.

[0019] Preferably, the compound of formula (2) can be obtained in a high yield when P₂ is t-butyl group or i-propyl group, more preferably t-butyl group, and P₃ is methyl group or ethyl group.

[0020] In addition, the present invention provides a method for preparation of the compounds of formulas (4) and (5) as the starting materials used for preparation of the compound of formula (2).

2. Preparation of the compound of formula (5)

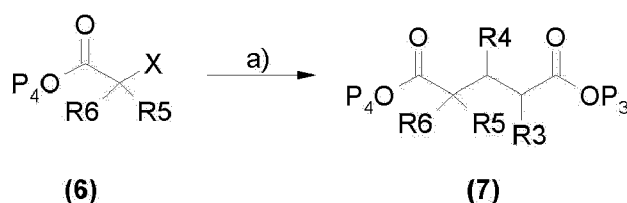
[0021] The compound of formula (5), as one of the starting materials used for preparation of the compound of formula (2), can be prepared from the known compound of formula (7), which can be obtained from a compound of formula (6) through the method shown in the following reaction scheme 4, as disclosed in WO 06/104356.

[0022] The method for preparation of the compound of formula (5) comprises

(a) the step of reducing the compound of formula (7) to obtain a primary alcohol compound; and

(b) the step of reacting the alcohol compound obtained from the above with a G₁O of the compound of formula (5) to obtain the compound of formula (5). This method can be represented as shown in the following reaction scheme 5.

Reaction Scheme 4



[0023] In the above scheme,

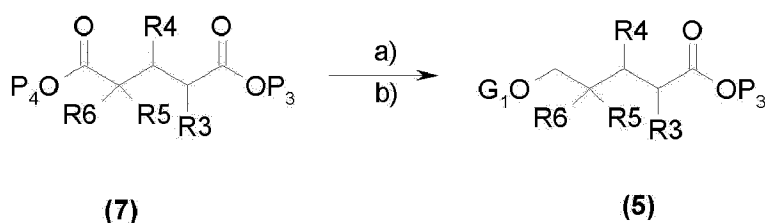
a is ethyl acrylate (where P₄ is ethyl), Cu powder, TMEDA (tetramethylethylenediamine) or THF;

X is a halogen such as Br, F or Cl, etc.;

P₄ is benzyl group, methyl group, ethyl group, i-propyl group or t-butyl group;

R₃, R₄, R₅, R₆ and P₃ are as defined above.

Reaction Scheme 5



[0024] In the above scheme,

a is NaBH₄, and EtOH or MeOH or i-PrOH;

b is trifluoromethane sulfonic acid anhydride (Tf₂O), trifluoromethane sulfonyl chloride (TfCl), methanesulfonyl chloride (MsCl), toluenesulfonyl chloride (TsCl), bromobenzenesulfonyl chloride (BsCl), (CF₃(CF₂)₃SO₂)F or

$(CF_3(CF_2)_3SO_2)_2O$, pyridine or trialkylamine, and CH_2Cl_2 ;

R3, R4, R5, R6, P₃, P₄ and G₁ are as defined above.

5 [0025] Specifically, in the above step (a) sodium borohydride ($NaBH_4$) is used to selectively reduce only the ester group, P₄, protecting the carboxylic acid to obtain the primary alcohol compound, which in step (b) is then reacted with the G₁ compound corresponding to the portion G₁O of the compound of formula (5)-i.e., G₁ compound selected from the group consisting of trifluoromethane sulfonic acid anhydride (Tf_2O), trifluoromethane sulfonyl chloride ($TfCl$), methanesulfonyl chloride ($MsCl$), toluenesulfonyl chloride ($TsCl$), bromobenzenesulfonyl chloride ($BsCl$), $(CF_3(CF_2)_3SO_2)F$ and $(CF_3(CF_2)_3SO_2)_2O$, in CH_2Cl_2 as the solvent in the presence of pyridine or trialkylamine to obtain the compound of formula (5). By way of example, when G₁O of the desired compound of formula (5) is triflate, the reaction is conducted using trifluoromethane sulfonic acid anhydride to obtain the compound of formula (5).

3. Preparation of the compound of formula (4)

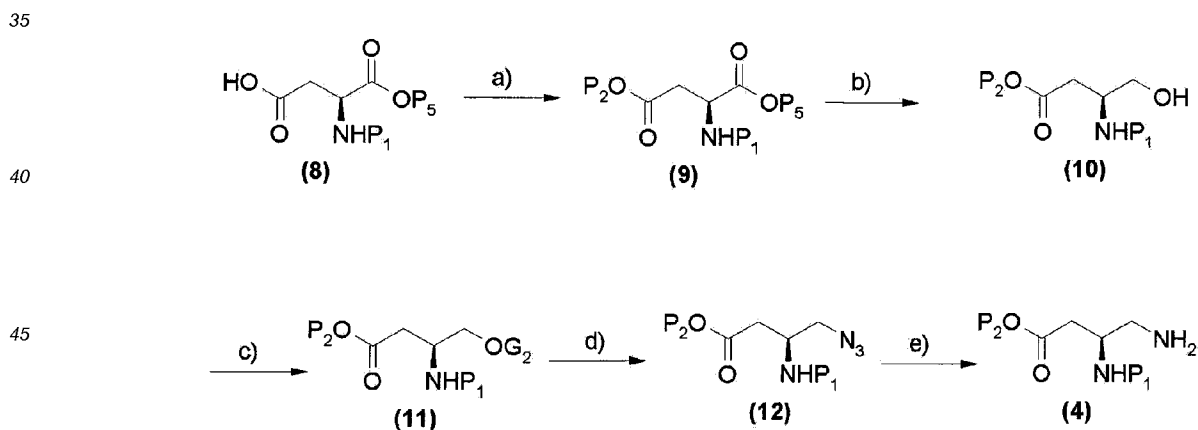
15 [0026] Meanwhile, the compound of formula (4) as the remaining one of the starting materials for preparing the compound of formula (2) can be prepared according to any one of the following methods.

[0027] The first method for preparing the compound of formula (4) comprises

- 20 (a) the step of converting a carboxylic acid group of a compound of formula (8) into an ester group by introducing P₂ group to obtain a compound of formula (9),
 (b) the step of selectively reducing an ester group P₅ present in the compound of formula (9) to obtain a compound of formula (10),
 (c) the step of introducing a G₂O leaving group into the compound of formula (10) to obtain a compound of formula (11),
 25 (d) the step of reacting the compound of formula (11) with an azide compound to obtain a compound of formula (12) and
 (e) the step of subjecting the compound of formula (12) to hydrogenation to obtain the compound of formula (4).

30 [0028] The first method for preparing the compound of formula (4) as described above comprises the procedures for introducing the amine group into the carbon atom to which the ester group is attached in the compound of formula (8) and can be represented as shown in the following reaction scheme 6.

Reaction Scheme 6



[0029] In the above scheme,

a is DMAP, Boc_2O (where P₂ is t-butyl group), and t-BuOH or THF;

b is $NaBH_4$, and MeOH or EtOH;

55 c is Tf_2O , $MsCl$, $TsCl$, $(CF_3(CF_2)_3SO_2)F$ or $(CF_3(CF_2)_3SO_2)_2O$ etc., pyridine or tri-alkylamine, CH_2Cl_2 ;

d is NaN_3 , DMF or NMP or DMAc or DMAc/EtOAc or DMAc/ H_2O or DMAc/ MeOH, heating;

e is selected from the conditions (1) H_2 , Pd/C, MeOH or EtOH, (2) $NaBH_4$, Pd/C, MeOH, (3) PPh_3 , H_2O , THF, and (4) trialkyl phosphine or trialkylphosphite, H_2O , THF;

P₅ is methyl group, ethyl group, i-propyl group or t-butyl group;

G_2 is together with oxygen a good leaving group including triflate, mesylate, tosylate, besylate, nonaflate, etc.;
 P_1 and P_2 are as defined above.

[0030] In step (a) of said reaction, the carboxylic acid group of formula (8) is converted into the ester group by introducing P_2 to produce the compound of formula (9). In this reaction, t-BuOH or THF is used as the solvent, and a catalytic amount (0.5 mol% ~ 30 mol%) of 4-di(methylamino)pyridine (DMAP) is used. For example, if P_2 is introduced, when P_2 is t-butyl group, an equivalent of Boc_2O is used, and the reaction is conducted in the range between room temperature and about 40°C to obtain the desired ester compound of formula (9).

[0031] In step (b) of said reaction, the ester group which is originally present in the compound of formula (9)-i.e., the ester group present in the position of P_5 -is selectively reduced with sodium borohydride ($NaBH_4$) to obtain the compound of formula (10) as the primary alcohol. In this reaction, methanol or ethanol is used as the solvent.

[0032] In step (c) of said reaction, the leaving group G_2O is introduced through reaction with trifluoromethane sulfonic acid anhydride (Tf_2O), trifluoromethane sulfonyl chloride ($TfCl$), methanesulfonyl chloride ($MsCl$), toluenesulfonyl chloride ($TsCl$), bromobenzenesulfonyl chloride ($BsCl$), $(CF_3(CF_2)_3SO_2)F$ or $(CF_3(CF_2)_3SO_2)_2O$, in CH_2Cl_2 as the solvent in the presence of pyridine or trialkylamine to obtain the compound of formula (11).

[0033] In step (d) of said reaction, the compound of formula (11) is reacted with 1.0 to 2.0 equivalents of sodium azide under warming condition (60°C to 80°C) to obtain the compound of formula (12).

[0034] The azide group of the compound of formula (12) thus obtained can be converted into the amine group through hydrogenation reaction under various reaction conditions (e) to obtain the compound of formula (4).

[0035] Particularly, when P_1 is Boc, P_2 is i-propyl group or t-butyl group and G_2O is triflate or nonaflate, the compound of formula (4) can be obtained in a high yield.

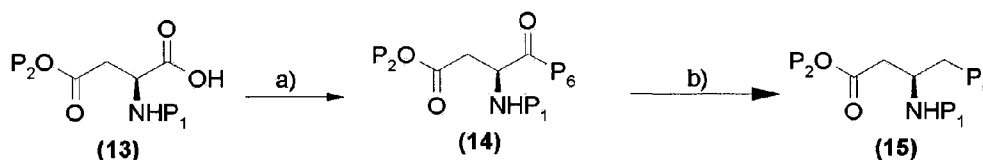
[0036] The second method for preparation of the compound of formula (4) comprises

(a) the step of converting a carboxylic acid compound of formula (13) into an activated ester, which is then reacted with a secondary amine compound to obtain an amide compound of formula (14),

(b) the step of reducing an amide group of the compound of formula (14) to obtain a tertiary amine compound of formula (15), and

(c) the step of subjecting the tertiary amine compound of formula (15) to debenzylation reaction to obtain the compound of formula (4). This method can be represented as shown in the following reaction scheme 7.

Reaction Scheme 7



[0037] In the above scheme,

a is selected from the conditions (1) i-BuOCOCI, NMM (N-methylmorpholine), Bn_2NH or $BnNH_2$ or diallylamine or allylamine; and (2) i-BuOCOCI, NMM, diallylamine;

b is selected from the conditions (1) $Os(CO)_{12}$, $Ru(CO)_{12}$, $RuCl_2(CO)_2(PPh_3)_2$ or $RuH_2(CO)_2(PPh_3)_2$ as the reaction catalyst, Et_3SiH , toluene, reflux, (2) $RuH(CO)(PPh_3)_3$, $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$ or $RuCl(PPh_3)_3$ as the reaction catalyst, Ph_2SiH_2 , PMHS (polydimethylsiloxane), THF or 2-Me THF, 1,4-dioxane, ethyl ether, toluene, (3) 9-BBN (9-Borabicyclo[3,3,1]nonane), THF, reflux, and (4) $BH_3 \cdot DMS$ or $BH_3 \cdot THF$, toluene, heating;

P_6 is monobenzylamine or dibenzylamine or monoallylamine or diallylamine,

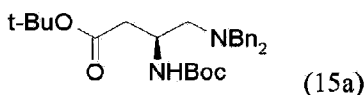
P_1 and P_2 are as defined above.

[0038] In step (a) of said reaction, the amide compound of formula (14) can be conveniently obtained by converting the carboxylic acid compound of formula (13) into the activated ester with the action of isobutyl chloroformate and a base, and then reacting with a secondary amine such as Bn_2NH , diallylamine, etc.

[0039] In step (b) of said reaction, the amide group of the amide compound of formula (14) can be reduced through various methods known in the relevant technical field to obtain the tertiary amine compound of formula (15). For example, the methods for converting amide group into amine have been known as follows: Method b-1: see, for example, Tetrahedron Lett. 2001, 42, 1945; Method b-2: see, for example, Tetrahedron Lett. 1998, 39, 1017; Method b-3: see, for example, Org. Lett. 1999, 1, 799, and Tetrahedron Lett. 1999, 40, 3673; Method b-3: see, for example, Bioorg. Med.

Chem. 2006, 14, 6586, and Chem. Eur. J. 2006, 12, 6910, and Synthesis 2005, 2281.

[0040] By way of example, in case of the compound of formula (14) where P_1 is Boc and P_2 is t-butyl, the desired compound of formula (15) can be obtained under various catalytic conditions of said b-1. In addition, the catalysts and conditions described in the above b-2 can be used to obtain the desired compound of formula (15). Particularly, when Ph_2SiH_2 is used under the catalyst $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$, the reaction can be conducted using 0.5 mol% ~ 30 mol% of $Ru_3(CO)_{12}$ and 5.0 equivalents of Ph_2SiH_2 in the presence of THF solvent at 80°C to obtain the desired compound of formula (15). The progress rate of the reduction under condition b-3 as defined above is somewhat low (maximum 25% progress rate). Under reaction condition b-4 as defined above, the best result in terms of the yield can be obtained when the reaction is conducted using 2.0 equivalents of $BH_3 \cdot DMS$ in toluene solvent at 50°C (14: 15: 15a = 11.4: 61.2: 10.7). Among them, a compound of formula (15a) can be debenzylated by hydrogenation in the presence of Pd/C-based catalysts to obtain the compound of formula (4) as defined above.



[0041] In reaction step (c), the compound of formula (15) can be debenzylated, for example, through debenzylation reaction using H_2 and Pd/C for benzyl protecting group or deacylation reaction using $PdCl_2/1,3$ -dimethylbarbituric acid to obtain the compound of formula (4).

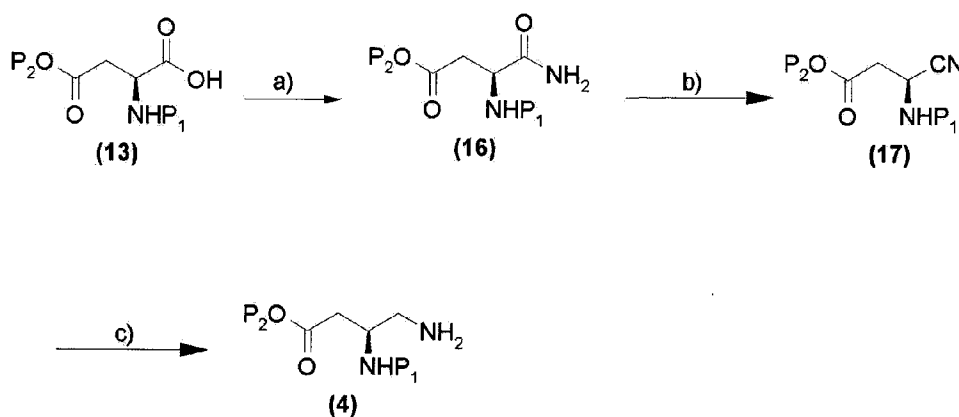
[0042] The third method for preparation of the compound of formula (4) comprises

(a) the step of converting the carboxylic acid compound of formula (13) into an activated ester, which is then reacted with a nitrogen source compound to obtain an amide compound of formula (16),

(b) the step of reducing an amide group of the amide compound of formula (16) to obtain a nitrile compound of formula (17), and

(c) the step of subjecting the nitrile compound of formula (17) to hydrogenation reaction to obtain the compound of formula (4). This method can be represented as shown in the following reaction scheme 8.

Reaction Scheme 8



[0043] In the above scheme,

a is selected from the conditions (1) $EtOCOC$ l, NMM, $NH_3(g)$, and (2) Boc_2O , $NH_4 HCO_3$, pyridine, DMF;

b is selected from the conditions (1) $(CF_3CO)_2O$, Et_3N , and (2) cyanuric acid, DMF;

c is selected from the conditions (1) Pd/C, H_2 , AcOH, 45 psi, (2) $NiCl_2 \cdot 6H_2O$, $NaBH_4$, (3) CF_3CO_2H , $NaBH_4$, (4) PtO_2 , H_2 , AcOH, (5) PtO_2 , H_2 , EtOH, $CHCl_3$, (6) $Pd(OH)_2$, H_2 , MeOH: AcOH (1:1) or AcOH:toluene (1:1), and (7) $Pd(OH)_2$, H_2 , AcOH;

P_1 and P_2 are as defined above.

[0044] Specifically, in step (a) the carboxylic acid group of the starting compound of formula (13) is converted into the activated ester group using chloroformate or Boc_2O as an activating agent under the base condition and then reacted with a nitrogen source compound such as ammonia gas or ammonium salt (e.g., ammonium bicarbonate or ammonium

carbonate, etc.) to obtain the amide compound of formula (16). In this case, when in the compound of formula (13) P₁ is Boc and P₂ is i-propyl group or t-butyl group, the result of the reaction is preferable in terms of the yield.

[0045] In step (b), the amide group of the compound of formula (16) thus obtained is reacted with trifluoromethane sulfonic acid anhydride/Et₃N or cyanuric acid/DMF to obtain the compound of formula (17) having a nitrile group (-CN).

[0046] In step (c), hydrogenation can be conducted utilizing a metal selected from palladium, nickel(I) chloride, platinum(IV) oxide or palladium hydroxide to obtain the primary amine compound of formula (4).

[0047] The present invention is illustrated in further detail by means of the following Preparations and Examples. However, it is not intended that the scope of the present invention is limited in any manner by these Preparations and Examples.

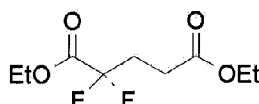
Advantageous Effects of Invention

[0048] The method of the present invention can produce the compound of formula (2) having high optical purity as the intermediate for preparing the compound of formula (1), which can be used as a medicine for treatment or prevention of diseases, including diabetes, caused by the action of dipeptidyl peptidase IV, with high optical purity.

Mode for the Invention

PREPARATION 1: Synthesis of diethyl 2,2-difluoropentanedioate

[0049]

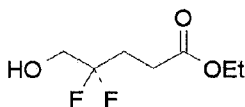


[0050] To a solution of ethyl bromodifluoroacetate (33.2 g) in tetrahydrofuran (94.0 g) was added ethyl acrylate (8.2 g) and copper powder (10.9 g). After heating to 50°C, TMEDA (9.5 g) was added dropwise and the reaction mixture was then stirred for 3 hours at the same temperature. Upon disappearance of ethyl acrylate as the starting material, to the reaction solution was added methyl t-butyl ether (MTBE, 73.7 g) followed by addition of 10% aqueous ammonium chloride solution (49.8 g) dropwise, and the mixture was then stirred for 30 minutes. The remaining copper residue was removed by filtration through a celite, and methyl t-butyl ether (MTBE, 66.3 g) was added to separate the layers. The separated organic layer was washed successively with 10% aqueous NH₄Cl solution (66.3 g) and 3 N aqueous hydrochloric acid solution (99.6 g) in order and then distilled under reduced pressure to obtain 55.0 g of the desired title compound.

[0051] ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.26 (t, J=7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.37 (t, J=7.2 Hz, 3H), 2.37-2.49 (m, 2H), 2.55 (t, J=7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.16 (q, J=7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.29 (q, J=7.2 Hz, 2H).

PREPARATION 2: Synthesis of ethyl 4,4-difluoro-5-hydroxypentanoate

[0052]



[0053] 14.8 g of the compound obtained from the above Preparation 1 was diluted with ethanol (20.4 g) and tetrahydrofuran (69.1 g) and then cooled to 0°C. To this solution was slowly added sodium borohydride (NaBH₄, 3.5 g) stepwise while keeping the internal temperature below 30°C. After confirming completion of the reaction by ¹H NMR, the reaction solution was cooled to the temperature of 10°C and 10% aqueous ammonium chloride solution (77.7 g) was slowly added. The remaining boron compound was filtered through celite, and the filtrate was distilled under reduced pressure to remove tetrahydrofuran. Then, ethyl acetate (105.2 g) was added to separate the layers, and the organic layer was distilled under reduced pressure to obtain 10.8 g of the title compound.

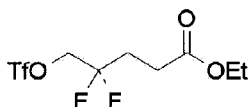
[0054] ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.23 (t, J=7.2 Hz, 3H), 2.15-2.29 (m, 2H), 2.49 (t, J=7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.69 (t, J=12.0 Hz, 2H), 4.12 (q, J=4.0 Hz, 2H).

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EXAMPLE 1: Synthesis of ethyl 4,4-difluoro-5-((trifluoromethyl)sulfonyloxy)pentanoate

[0055]

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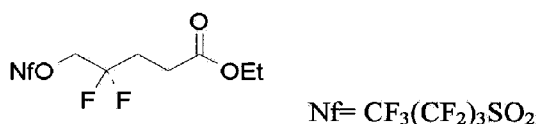
[0056] To the solution of 10.8 g of the compound, as obtained from the above Preparation 2, dissolved in dichloromethane (100.2 g) was added pyridine (7.0 g), and then the mixture was cooled to -5.0°C . After completion of cooling, trifluoromethane sulfonic acid anhydride (20.1 g) was slowly added dropwise while keeping the reaction temperature below 6.3°C . After stirring the reaction solution for 30 minutes, 1.5 N hydrochloric acid solution was added dropwise at 0°C to separate the layers. The aqueous layer as separated was back-extracted twice with dichloromethane (33.4 g), and the extracts were combined with the organic layer separated from the above and then distilled under reduced pressure to obtain 19.7 g of the title compound as a yellow oil.

[0057] ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.27 (t, $J=7.2$ Hz, 3H), 2.29-2.39 (m, 2H), 2.59 (t, $J=7.6$ Hz, 2H), 4.18 (q, $J=7.2$ Hz, 2H), 4.55 (t, $J=11.6$ Hz, 2H).

20 EXAMPLE 2-1: Synthesis of ethyl 4,4-difluoro-5-((nonafluorobutyl)sulfonyl)-oxy}pentanoate

[0058]

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[0059] To the solution of 100.0 g of the compound, as obtained from the above Preparation 2, dissolved in dichloromethane (300.0 ml) was added pyridine (65.7 g), and the mixture was then cooled to -10.0°C . After completion of cooling, nonafluorobutane-sulfonyl anhydride (477.4 g) was slowly added dropwise. After stirring the reaction solution for 3 hours, 1.0 N hydrochloric acid solution (300.0 ml) was added dropwise to separate the layers. The aqueous layer as separated was back extracted once with dichloromethane (500.0 ml), and the extracts were combined with the organic layer separated from the above and then distilled under reduced pressure to obtain 177.5 g of the title compound.

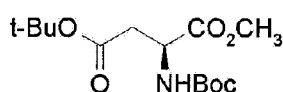
[0060] ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.26 (t, 3H, $J=7.3$ Hz), 2.30-2.36 (m, 2H), 2.58 (t, 2H, $J=7.4$ Hz), 4.16 (q, 2H, $J=7.3$ Hz), 4.57 (t, 2H, $J=11$ Hz).

40 EXAMPLE 2-2: Synthesis of ethyl 4,4-difluoro-5-((nonafluorobutyl)sulfonyl)-oxy}pentanoate

[0061] To the solution of 500.0 g of the compound, as obtained from the above Preparation 2, dissolved in dichloromethane (1000.0 ml) was added triethylamine (389.0 g), and the mixture was then cooled to 0°C . After completion of cooling, perfluorobutanesulfonyl chloride (948.80 g) was slowly added dropwise. The reaction solution was stirred for 3 hours at room temperature, distilled under reduced pressure, dissolved in methyl t-butyl ether (MTBE, 3000.0 ml) and then washed three times with water. The organic layer thus obtained was dehydrated with magnesium sulfate, filtered through a celite and then distilled under reduced pressure to obtain 960.0 g of the title compound.

EXAMPLE 3: Synthesis of methyl (2S)-2-((tert-butoxycarbonyl)amino)-4-oxo-pentanoate

50 [0062]



55 [0063] To 25.0 g of the starting material, (3S)-3-((t-butoxycarbonyl)amino)-4-oxo-pentanoic acid, was added t-butanol (96.9 g) followed by the addition of Boc_2O (25.4 g) and dimethylaminopyridine (DMAP, 62.0 g, 0.5 mol%) at room temperature, and the reaction mixture was then stirred for 23 hours at 40°C . Upon completion of the reaction, ethylene

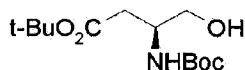
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dichloride (62.3 g) in t-butanol was added, and the mixture was then distilled under reduced pressure to obtain 30.7 g of the title compound.

[0064] ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.47 (s, 9H), 2.71 (dd, $J=4.8, 16.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.88 (dd, $J=4.4, 16.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 4.53 (m, 1H), 5.44 (br d, $J=8.0$ Hz, 1H).

EXAMPLE 4: Synthesis of tert-butyl (3S)-3-[(tert-butoxycarbonyl)amino]-4-hydroxy-butanoate

[0065]

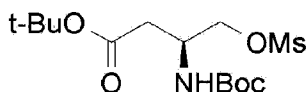


[0066] 30.7 g of the compound obtained from the above Example 3 was dissolved in ethanol (112.3 g) and, after lowering the internal temperature to 10.5°C sodium borohydride (NaBH_4 , 5.7 g) was slowly added dropwise. This reaction solution was stirred while maintaining the temperature below 22°C. After confirming completion of the reaction by ^1H NMR and TLC, to the reaction solution was slowly added 3.0 N hydrochloric acid solution (30.7 g) dropwise at the internal temperature of 10°C followed by addition of diluted 0.2% hydrochloric acid solution (100.0 g). The reaction solution was adjusted to pH 3~4 with addition of 9.0% aqueous hydrochloric acid solution, and then back-extracted twice with ethyl acetate (100.0 g) and toluene (44.0 g). The organic layer thus obtained was distilled under reduced pressure to obtain 25.1 g of the title compound.

[0067] ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.44 (s, 9H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 2.48-2.57 (m, 2H), 3.69 (d, $J=4.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.97 (m, 1H), 5.22 (bs, 1H).

EXAMPLE 5: tert-butyl (3S)-[(tert-butoxycarbonyl)amino]-4-[(methylsulfonyl)oxy]-butanoate

[0068]

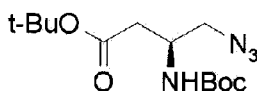


[0069] To 25.1 g of the compound obtained from the above Example 4 was added dichloromethane (133.0 g) and triethylamine (148.0 g), and the mixture was then cooled to 0°C. To this reaction solution was slowly added methanesulfonyl chloride (11.8 g) diluted with dichloromethane (39.9 g) dropwise for 50 minutes while maintaining the internal temperature below 12°C. After completion of the reaction, the reaction solution was washed with 0.5 N aqueous hydrochloric acid solution (120.0 g) and water (100.4 g), and then distilled under reduced pressure to obtain 31.5 g of the title compound.

[0070] ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.44 (s, 9H), 1.46 (s, 9H), 2.62 (d, $J=6.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.04 (s, 3H), 4.21 (m, 1H), 4.30 (d, $J=5.2$ Hz, 2H), 5.16 (br d, $J=7.2$ Hz, 1H).

EXAMPLE 6: Synthesis of tert-butyl (3S)-4-azido-3-[(tert-butoxycarbonyl)amino]-butanoate

[0071]



[0072] Sodium azide (NaN_3 , 11.6 g) was diluted with dimethylacetamide (DMAc, 260.0 g). After elevating the internal temperature to 80°C, a solution of 31.5 g of the compound, as obtained from the above Example 5, diluted with dimethylacetamide (DMAc, 45.0 g) was added thereto. The reaction proceeded at 80°C for 2 hours. To the reaction solution were added toluene (251.0 g) and water (320.0 g) to separate the layers. The organic layer thus obtained was distilled under reduced pressure to obtain 24.0 g of the title compound.

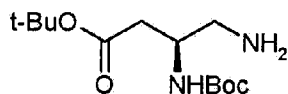
[0073] ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 1.47 (s, 9H), 1.49 (s, 9H), 2.49 (d, $J=6.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.44-3.55 (m, 2H), 4.09 (br s, 1H), 5.14 (br s, 1H).

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EXAMPLE 7: Synthesis of tert-butyl (3S)-4-amino-3-[(tert-butoxycarbonyl)amino]-butanoate

[0074]

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10 [0075] To 21.0 g of the compound obtained from the above Example 6 was added tetrahydrofuran (93.3 g) followed by the addition of triphenylphosphine (PPh₃, 21.0 g) at 40°C, the mixture was stirred for 2 hours at the same temperature, and water (3.8 g) was then added thereto. The reaction solution was distilled under reduced pressure, and the resulting triphenylphosphine oxide solid was diluted with toluene (26.0 g) and n-hexane (41.0 g), and then filtered off. The filtrate was adjusted to pH 2~3 with 1.0 N aqueous hydrochloric acid solution (110.0 g) and then subjected to separation of the layers. To remove any residual triphenylphosphine oxide solid, the aqueous layer obtained above was washed with dichloromethane (100.0 g) and then adjusted to pH 8~9 with 28% aqueous ammonia solution (7.6 g). The aqueous solution thus obtained was extracted with dichloromethane (100.0 g) and distilled under reduced pressure to obtain 8.5 g of the title compound as a white solid.

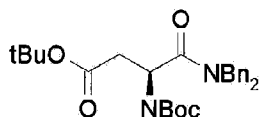
15 [0076] ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.44 (s, 9H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 2.45 (d, J=6.1 Hz, 2H), 2.77 (d, J=5.5 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (br s, 1H), 5.22 (br s, 1H).

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EXAMPLE 8: Synthesis of N,N-dibenzyl-L-N(Boc)-aspartamide 4-tert-butyl ester

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[0078] N-Boc-L-aspartic acid 4-t-butyl ester (29.0 g, 0.10 mol) was added to THF (200 ml). After cooling to temperature below -5°C, to the reaction solution was added isobutylchloroformate (13.0 ml, 0.10 mol) followed by addition of N-methyl morpholine (12.0 ml, 0.10 mol) dropwise, and the reaction mixture was stirred for over 30 minutes. To the reaction mixture was added dropwise dibenzylamine (21.1 ml, 0.11 mol), and the mixture was then stirred for over 3 hours and monitored for the reaction progress by TLC (EtOAc: Hexane=1:4). Upon completion of the reaction, the reaction solution was stirred with addition of ethyl acetate (300.0 mL) and 1 N hydrochloric acid to separate the layers, and distilled under reduced pressure to precipitate a solid. The solid was filtered and washed with ethyl acetate (100 ml), and then the washings were concentrated by distillation again under reduced pressure. The residue was then subjected to silica gel column to obtain the purified desired product (41.7 g, 0.89 mol).

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40 [0079] ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 7.32 (m, 5H), 7.20 (m, 5H), 5.39 (d, J=7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (m, 1H), 4.87-4.77 (m, 2H), 4.48-4.39 (m, 2H), 2.72 (dd, J=15.8 Hz, J=8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.56 (dd, J=15.8 Hz, J=6.4 Hz, 1H), 1.43 (s, 9H), 1.37 (s, 9H).

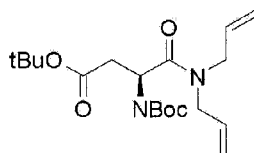
[0080] Mass (ESI, m/z): 491 (M+Na), 469 (M+H), 413 (M-55).

EXAMPLE 9: Synthesis of N, N-diallyl-L-N(Boc)-aspartamide 4-tert-butyl ester

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55 [0082] L-N(Boc)-aspartic acid 4-t-butyl ester (5.00 g, 17.3 mol) was added to THF (50 ml). After cooling to temperature below -5°C, to the reaction solution was added isobutylchloroformate (2.26 ml, 17.3 mol) followed by addition of N-methyl morpholine (1.90 ml, 17.3 mol) dropwise, and the reaction mixture was stirred for over 30 minutes. To the reaction mixture was added dropwise diallylamine (2.35 ml, 19.0 mol), and the mixture was then stirred for over 3 hours and

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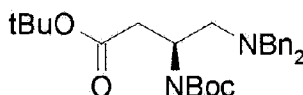
monitored for the reaction progress by TLC (EtOAc: Hexane=1:4). Upon completion of the reaction, the reaction solution was stirred with addition of ethyl acetate (60 ml) and 1 N hydrochloric acid and, after separating the layers, concentrated by distillation under reduced pressure. The residue was then subjected to silica gel column to obtain the purified desired product (6.0 g, 16.3 mol).

[0083] ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 5.78 (m, 2H), 5.30 (m, 1H), 5.23-5.11 (m, 1H), 5.30 (m, 1H), 4.93 (m, 1H), 4.11-3.84 (m, 4H), 2.68 (dd, $J=15.8$ Hz, $J=8.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.51 (dd, $J=15.8$ Hz, $J=8.0$ Hz, 1H), 1.44 (s, 9H), 1.42 (s, 9H).

[0084] Mass (ESI, m/z): 391 (M+Na), 369 (M+H), 313 (M-55).

EXAMPLE 10: Synthesis of N,N-dibenzyl-4-amino-3(S)-N(Boc)-aminobutanoic acid 4-tert-butyl ester

[0085]



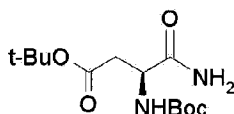
[0086] 10.0 g of the compound obtained from the above Example 8, $\text{Ru}_3(\text{CO})_{12}$ (136 mg, 1mol%), and diphenylsilane (19.7 ml, 106.7 mmol) were added to tetrahydrofuran (50 ml), and the reaction solution was stirred under reflux for over 40 hours. The reaction solution was extracted with ethyl acetate (200 ml) and concentrated by distillation under reduced pressure. The residue was then subjected to silica gel column to obtain the purified desired product (4.7 g, 10.5 mmol).

[0087] ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 7.31-7.20 (m, 10H), 5.12 (bs, 1H), 3.90 (bs, 1H), 3.63 (d, $J=12.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.48 (d, $J=12.0$ Hz, 2H), 3.24 (m, 1H), 3.16 (bs, 1H), 2.42 (m, 2H), 1.81 (m, 1H), 1.59 (m, 9H), 1.46 (s, 9H), 1.06 (s, 9H).

[0088] Mass (ESI, m/z): 455 (M+H), 441 (M-13).

EXAMPLE 11: Synthesis of tert-butyl (3S)-4-amino-3-[(tert-butoxycarbonyl)amino]-4-oxobutanoate

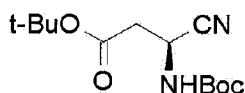
[0089]



[0090] 360.0 g of the starting material, N-Boc-Asp(O-t-Bu)OH, together with Boc_2O (353.0 g) and ammonium bicarbonate (NH_4HCO_3 , 123.9 g) was added to dimethylformamide (1174.6 g), and pyridine (61.0 g) was added dropwise thereto at room temperature, and the reaction mixture was then stirred for about 3 hours. Upon completion of the reaction, water (1440 ml) and toluene (1800 ml) were added to the reaction solution and stirred for 30 minutes to separate the layers. The organic layer thus obtained was distilled under reduced pressure to remove t-butanol and toluene to obtain the title compound, which was directly used in the next reaction.

EXAMPLE 12: Synthesis of (S)-tert-butyl 3-(tert-butoxycarbonylamino)-3-cyanopropanoate

[0091]



[0092] To the compound obtained from Example 11 was added dimethylformamide (1019.5 g) followed by addition of cyanuric chloride (112.0 g) dropwise for 1.5 hours at temperature below 25°C . The reaction solution was stirred for one hour at room temperature, and then 0.1 N aqueous sodium hydroxide solution (1850.0 g) and toluene (1860 ml) were added thereto to separate the layers. The organic layer thus obtained was washed once again with water (700 ml) and then distilled under reduced pressure to obtain 318.3 g of the title compound.

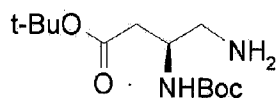
[0093] ^1H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl_3) δ : 1.44 (s, 9H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 2.45 (d, $J=6.1$ Hz, 2H), 2.77 (d, $J=5.5$ Hz, 2H), 3.87 (br s, 1H), 5.22 (br s, 1H).

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EXAMPLE 13: Synthesis of tert-butyl (3S)-4-amino-3-[(tert-butoxycarbonyl)amino]-butanoate

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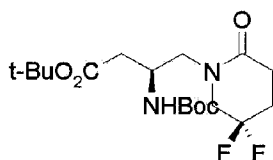


[0095] To 212.1 g of the compound obtained from the above Example 12 was added acetic acid (4000 ml) followed by addition of 20 wt% Pd(OH)₂ (1.1 g) at 40°C. The mixture was stirred for 8 hours while keeping the internal temperature below 45°C and 3 atmospheric pressure of hydrogen. Upon completion of the reaction, the reaction solution was distilled under reduced pressure to remove acetic acid, diluted with toluene (640 L) and then filtered through a celite. To the filtrate was added 0.25 N aqueous hydrochloric acid solution (1060 ml) to separate the layers. The aqueous layer thus obtained was basified with aqueous ammonia solution (543.1 g) and then extracted with methyl t-butyl ether (MTBE, 1000 ml). The organic layer thus obtained was distilled under reduced pressure to obtain 185.0 g of the title compound.

EXAMPLE 14: Synthesis of 3-t-butoxycarbonylamino-4-(5,5-difluoro-2-oxo-piperidin-1-yl)-butyric acid t-butyl ester

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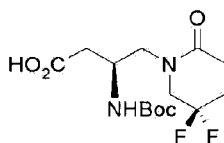
[0097] Triethylamine (13.2 g) was added to 16.0 g of the compound obtained from the above Example 1 or 2-1 or 2-2, and 14.1 g of the compound obtained from the above Example 7 or 13, and the mixture was then stirred for 21 hours at 40°C. Then, dichloromethane (154.8 g) and acetic acid (18.3 g) were added, and the mixture was stirred for 5 hours at room temperature. To the resulting reaction solution was added 0.5 N aqueous hydrochloric acid solution (116.8 g) and then, the mixture was stirred for 30 minutes to separate the layers. The organic layer thus obtained was distilled under reduced pressure to obtain 23.6 g of the title compound.

[0098] ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 1.42 (s, 9H), 1.46 (s, 9H), 2.27 (m, 2H), 2.40-2.64 (m, 4H), 3.20 (dd, J=4.3, 13.5 Hz, 1H), 3.56-3.70 (m, 2H), 3.76-3.91 (m, 2H), 4.16 (m, 1H), 5.20 (d, J=8.6 Hz, 1H).

EXAMPLE 15: Synthesis of 3-t-butoxycarbonylamino-4-(5,5-difluoro-2-oxo-piperidin-1-yl)-butyric acid

[0099]

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[0100] 23.6 g of the compound obtained from the above Example 14 was added to dichloromethane (20.0 g) followed by addition of H₃PO₄ (30.0 g), and the mixture was stirred for 16 hours at room temperature. After confirming the detachment of all of t-butyl group and t-butyloxycarbonyl group, the reaction solution was adjusted to pH 7.0~8.0 with 10 N aqueous hydrogen peroxide, and Boc₂O (16.0 g) was added thereto. After completion of the addition, 10 N aqueous hydrogen peroxide was used to maintain the pH of the reaction solution at 8.0~9.0. After stirring for 3 hours, the resulting sodium phosphate was filtered off, and the filtrate was then adjusted to pH 2.0~3.0 with 3.0 N aqueous hydrochloric acid solution. The resulting solid was filtered and dried under nitrogen to obtain 14.5 g of the title compound.

[0101] ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ: 1.32 (s, 9H), 2.20-2.43 (m, 6H), 3.26-3.31 (m, 2H), 3.61 (m, 1H), 3.81 (m, 1H), 4.02 (m, 1H), 6.73 (d, J=8.6 Hz, 1H), 12.16 (s, 1H).

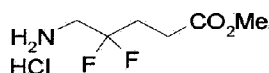
[0102] For the title compound resulting from the above, its enantiomeric isomers-i.e. S-form and R-form-were measured by HPLC (high-performance liquid chromatography), and an excess of the enantiomeric isomers (S vs. R form) (enan-

tiomeric excess; ee) was then calculated as being ee > 99%. On the other hand, in case of the Comparative Example prepared according to the prior method based on WO 06/104356, as described below, the excess (ee) of enantiomeric isomers (S vs. R form) was 80%. From this, it can be identified that the compound of formula (2) having an optically high purity could be obtained according to the method of the present invention.

COMPARATIVE EXAMPLE 1: Synthesis of 3-t-butoxycarbonylamino-4-(5,5-difluoro-2-oxo-piperidin-1-yl)-butyric acid t-butyl ester

COMPARATIVE EXAMPLE 1-1: Synthesis of methyl 5-amino-4,4-difluoro-pentanoate HCl

[0103]



[0104] To 10.0 g of the compound obtained from Example 1 was added 40 ml of anhydrous ammonia solution (7 M solution in methanol), and the mixture was stirred for 3 hours. The reaction solution was distilled and 30 ml of hydrochloric acid solution saturated with methanol was added dropwise thereto. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature and then distilled to obtain 7.2 g of the title compound as a white solid.

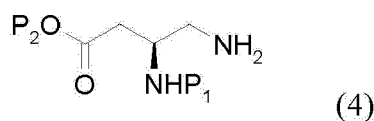
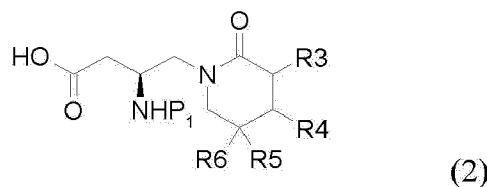
[0105] ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₃OD) δ: 2.35 (m, 2H), 2.59 (t, J=7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.49 (t, J=15.3 Hz, 2H), 3.68 (s, 3H).

COMPARATIVE EXAMPLE 1-2: Synthesis of 3-t-butoxycarbonylamino-4-(5,5-difluoro-2-oxo-piperidin-1-yl)-butyric acid t-butyl ester

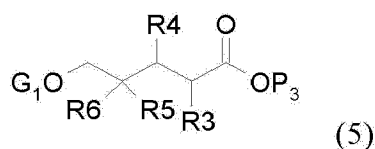
[0106] To the solution of the compound (1.93 g), as obtained from the above Example 4, dissolved in dichloromethane (20.0 g) and H₂O (4.0 g) were added NaBr (0.8 g) and TEMPO (11 mg, 1 mol%). To this reaction solution was slowly added a solution of 5% NaOCl (11.5 g) and NaHCO₃ (1.7 g) dissolved in H₂O (12.0 g) dropwise for about 2 hours while maintaining the temperature below 5°C. Upon completion of dropwise addition, the reaction solution was stirred for 30 minutes to separate the layers. To the organic layer thus obtained was added the compound (1.6 g) obtained from the above Comparative Example 1-1. After stirring for 15 minutes at room temperature, NaBH(OAc)₃ (2.23 g) was added to the reaction solution. After stirring for about 19 hours, 10% aqueous NaHCO₃ solution (20.0 g) and 0.5 N aqueous hydrochloric acid solution (20.0 g) were added dropwise to the reaction solution to separate the layers. The organic layer thus obtained was dehydrated under anhydrous MgSO₄ to obtain 2.0 g (yield 73%) of the same title compound as Example 14, as a yellow solid. For the title compound resulting from the above, its enantiomeric isomers-i.e., S-form and R-form-were measured by HPLC (high-performance liquid chromatography), and an excess (ee) of the enantiomeric isomers (S vs. R form) was then calculated as being ee = 80%.

Claims

1. A method for preparation of a compound of formula (2) characterized in that a compound of formula (4) is reacted with a compound of formula (5):



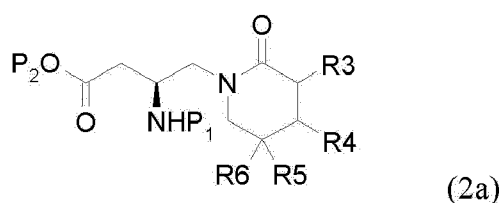
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wherein each of R_3 , R_4 , R_5 and R_6 is independently hydrogen, halogen, or substituted or unsubstituted C_1 - C_4 alkyl; P_1 is an amine-protecting group; each of P_2 and P_3 is independently benzyl group, methyl group, ethyl group, i-propyl group or t-butyl group; and G_1O is a leaving group.

2. The method according to claim 1, which comprises:

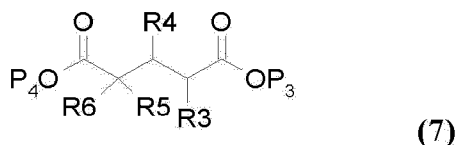
- (a) the step of coupling reaction by addition of a base to the compound of formula (4) and the compound of formula (5),
- (b) the step of cyclization by addition of an acid to obtain a compound of formula (2a), and
- (c) the step of hydrolyzing the resulting compound of formula (2a) to obtain the compound of formula (2):



wherein R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_6 , P_1 and P_2 are as defined in claim 1.

- 3. The method according to claim 1 or 2, **characterized in that** P_2 is t-butyl group, and P_3 is methyl or ethyl group.
- 4. The method according to claim 1 or 2, **characterized in that** G_1O is triflate, mesylate, tosylate, besylate or nonaflate.
- 5. The method according to claim 1 or 2, **characterized in that** R_3 and R_4 are hydrogen, and R_5 and R_6 are fluorine.
- 6. The method according to claim 2, **characterized in that** in step (a) C_1 - C_4 trialkylamine is used as the base.
- 7. The method according to claim 2, **characterized in that** in step (b) acetic acid is used as the acid.
- 8. The method according to claim 2, **characterized in that** in the case of the compound of formula (2a) wherein P_1 is Boc and P_2 is t-butyl, the hydrolysis of said step (c) is conducted under the basic condition to selectively remove only P_2 among the protecting groups P_1 and P_2 to provide the compound of formula (2), preferably wherein aqueous sodium hydroxide solution is used as the base.
- 9. The method according to claim 1, wherein the method further comprises:

- (a) the step of reducing a compound of formula (7):



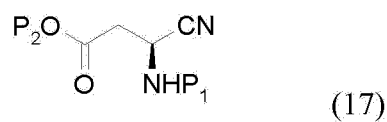
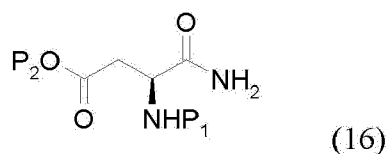
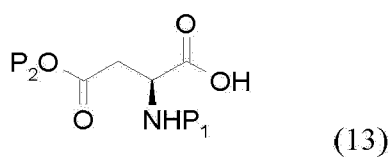
wherein R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_6 and P_3 are as defined above in claim 1, and P_4 is benzyl group, methyl group, ethyl group, i-propyl group or t-butyl group, to obtain a primary alcohol compound; and

(b) the step of reacting the alcohol compound obtained from the above with a G_1 compound corresponding to the portion G_1O of the compound of formula (5) to obtain the compound of formula (5).

- 10. The method according to claim 9, **characterized in that** in step (a) the reduction is conducted using $NaBH_4$.

11. The method according to claim 9, **characterized in that** in step (b) the G₁ compound is selected from the group consisting of trifluoromethane sulfonic acid anhydride (Tf₂O), trifluoromethane sulfonyl chloride (TfCl), methanesulfonyl chloride (MsCl), toluenesulfonyl chloride (TsCl), bromobenzenesulfonyl chloride (BsCl), (CF₃(CF₂)₃SO₂)F and (CF₃(CF₂)₃SO₂)₂O.

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12. The method according to claim 1, wherein the method further comprises:
10 (a) the step of converting the carboxylic acid compound of formula (13) into an activated ester, which is then reacted with a nitrogen source compound to obtain an amide compound of formula (16),
15 (b) the step of reducing an amide group of the compound of formula (16) to obtain a nitrile compound of formula (17), and
20 (c) the step of subjecting the nitrile compound of formula (17) to hydrogenation reaction to obtain the compound of formula (4):



wherein P₁ and P₂ are as defined in claim 1.

13. The method according to claim 12, **characterized in that** P₁ is Boc, and P₂ is i-propyl or t-butyl.

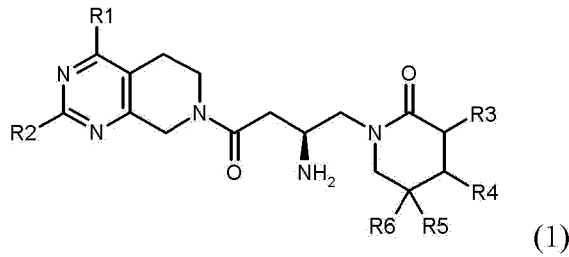
14. The method according to claim 12, **characterized in that** in step (a) chloroformate or Boc₂O is used as the activating agent.

15. The method according to claim 12, **characterized in that** the nitrogen source compound used in step (a) is ammonia gas or ammonium salt.

16. The method according to claim 12, **characterized in that** in step (b) the reduction is conducted using trifluoromethane sulfonic acid anhydride and Et₃N, or cyanuric chloride and DMF.

17. The method according to claim 12, **characterized in that** in step (c) the hydrogenation is conducted using a metal selected from palladium, nickel(I) chloride, platinum(IV) oxide and palladium hydroxide, preferably wherein the hydrogenation is conducted using palladium hydroxide metal, acetic acid and hydrogen.

18. A method for preparation of a compound of formula (1):



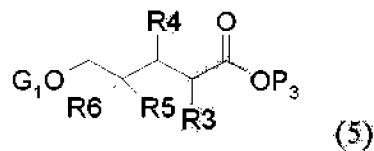
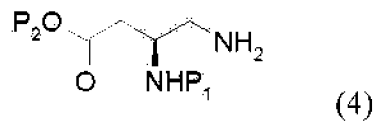
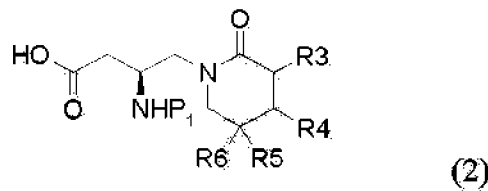
10 wherein R1 is hydrogen or CF₃, and

R2 is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, substituted or unsubstituted C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, substituted or unsubstituted C₃-C₁₀ cycloalkyl, substituted or unsubstituted C₄-C₈ aryl, and substituted or unsubstituted C₃-C₇ heteroaryl,

15 comprising the method according to claim 1.

Patentansprüche

- 20 1. Verfahren zur Vorbereitung einer Verbindung der Formel (2), **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** eine Verbindung der Formel (4) mit einer Verbindung der Formel (5) umgesetzt wird:



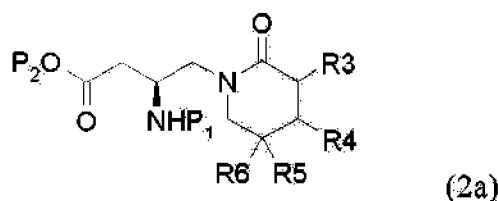
wobei jedes von R3, R4, R5 und R6 eigenständig Wasserstoff, Halogen oder substituiertes oder unsubstituiertes C₁-C₄-Alkyl ist, P₁ eine Aminschutzgruppe ist, jedes von P₂ und P₃ eigenständig Benzylgruppe, Methylgruppe, Ethylgruppe, i-Propylgruppe oder t-Butylgruppe ist und G₁O eine Abgangsgruppe ist.

- 45 2. Verfahren nach Anspruch 1, welches Folgendes umfasst:

(a) den Kupplungsreaktionsschritt durch Zugabe einer Base zu der Verbindung der Formel (4) und der Verbindung der Formel (5),

50 (b) den Zyklisierungsschritt durch Zugabe einer Säure, um eine Verbindung der Formel (2a) zu erhalten und

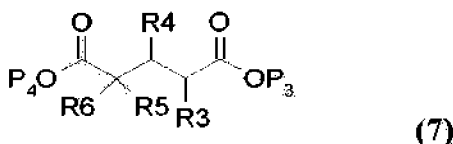
(c) den Schritt der Hydrolyse der sich ergebenden Verbindung der Formel (2a), um die Verbindung der Formel (2) zu erhalten:



wobei R3, R4, R5, R6, P₁ und P₂ wie in Anspruch 1 definiert sind.

3. Verfahren nach Anspruch 1 oder 2, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** P₂ t-Butylgruppe ist und P₃ Methyl- oder Ethylgruppe ist.
4. Verfahren nach Anspruch 1 oder 2, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** G₁O Triflat, Mesylat, Tosylat, Besylat oder Nonafat ist.
5. Verfahren nach Anspruch 1 oder 2, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** R3 und R4 Wasserstoff, und R5 und R6 Fluor sind.
6. Verfahren nach Anspruch 2, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** in Schritt (a) C₁-C₄-Trialkylamin als Base verwendet wird.
7. Verfahren nach Anspruch 2, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** in Schritt (b) Essigsäure als Säure verwendet wird.
8. Verfahren nach Anspruch 2, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** im Fall der Verbindung der Formel (2a), wobei P₁ Boc ist und P₂ t-Butyl ist, die Hydrolyse des genannten Schrittes (c) unter der Grundbedingung durchgeführt wird, selektiv nur P₂ unter den Schutzgruppen P₁ und P₂ zu entfernen, um die Verbindung der Formel (2) bereitzustellen, vorzugsweise wobei eine wässrige Natriumhydroxidlösung als Base verwendet wird.
9. Verfahren nach Anspruch 1, wobei das Verfahren ferner Folgendes umfasst:

(a) den Schritt der Reduktion einer Verbindung der Formel (7):



wobei R3, R4, R5, R6 und P₃ wie oben in Anspruch 1 definiert sind und P₄ Benzylgruppe, Methylgruppe, Ethylgruppe, i-Propylgruppe oder t-Butylgruppe ist, um eine primäre Alkoholverbindung zu erhalten, und (b) den Schritt der Umsetzung der von den oben genannten erhaltenen Alkoholverbindung mit einer dem Teil G₁O der Verbindung der Formel (5) entsprechenden G₁-Verbindung, um die Verbindung der Formel (5) zu erhalten.

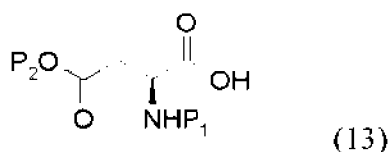
10. Verfahren nach Anspruch 9, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** in Schritt (a) die Reduktion mit NaBH₄ durchgeführt wird.
11. Verfahren nach Anspruch 9, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** in Schritt (b) die G₁-Verbindung aus der Gruppe bestehend aus Trifluormethansulfonsäureanhydrid (Tf₂O), Trifluonethansulfonylchlorid (TfCl), Methansulfonylchlorid (MsCl), Toluolsulfonylchlorid (TsCl), Brombenzolsulfonylchlorid (BsCl), (CF₃(CF₂)₃SO₂)F und (CF₃(CF₂)₃SO₂)₂O ausgewählt wird.
12. Verfahren nach Anspruch 1, wobei das Verfahren ferner Folgendes umfasst:

(a) den Schritt der Umwandlung der Carbonsäureverbindung der Formel (13) in einen aktivierten Ester, der anschließend mit einer Stickstoffquellen-Verbindung umgesetzt wird, um eine Amid-Verbindung der Formel (16) zu erhalten,

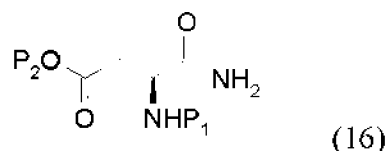
(b) den Schritt der Reduktion einer Amid-Gruppe der Verbindung der Formel (16), um eine Nitril-Verbindung der Formel (17) zu erhalten und

(c) den Schritt der Unterwerfung der Nitril-Verbindung der Formel (17) einer Hydrierungsreaktion, um die Verbindung der Formel (4) zu erhalten:

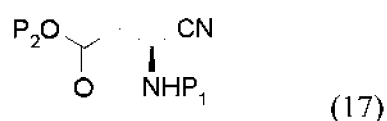
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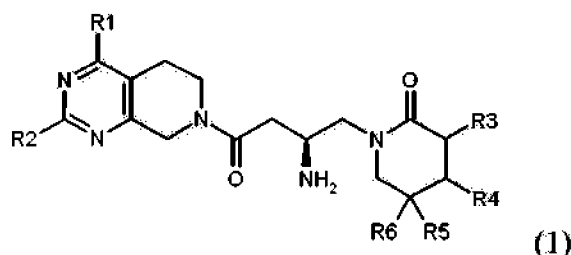


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wobei P₁ und P₂ wie in Anspruch 1 definiert sind.

- 25 **13.** Verfahren nach Anspruch 12, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** P₁ Boc ist und P₂ i-Propyl oder t-Butyl ist.
- 14.** Verfahren nach Anspruch 12, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** in Schritt (a) Chlorformiat oder Boc₂O als Aktivierungsmittel verwendet wird.
- 30 **15.** Verfahren nach Anspruch 12, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** die in Schritt (a) verwendete Stickstoffquellen-Verbindung Ammoniakgas oder Ammoniumsalz ist.
- 16.** Verfahren nach Anspruch 12, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** in Schritt (b) die Reduktion mit Trifluormethansulfonsäureanhydrid und Et₃N, oder Cyanurchlorid und DMF durchgeführt wird.
- 35 **17.** Verfahren nach Anspruch 12, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** in Schritt (c) die Hydrierung mit einem aus Palladium, Nickel(I)-Chlorid, Platin(IV)-Oxid und Palladiumhydroxid ausgewählten Metall durchgeführt wird, vorzugsweise wobei die Hydrierung mit Palladiumhydroxid-Metall, Essigsäure und Wasserstoff durchgeführt wird.
- 40 **18.** Verfahren zur Vorbereitung einer Verbindung der Formel (1):

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wobei R₁ Wasserstoff oder CF₃ ist und

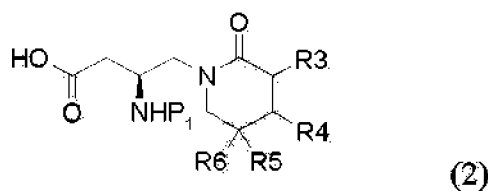
R₂ aus der Gruppe bestehend aus Wasserstoff, substituiertes oder unsubstituiertes C₁-C₁₀-Alkyl, substituiertes oder unsubstituiertes C₃-C₁₀-Zykloalkyl, substituiertes oder unsubstituiertes C₄-C₈-Aryl und substituiertes oder unsubstituiertes C₃-C₇-Heteroaryl ausgewählt wird, das Verfahren nach Anspruch 1 umfassend.

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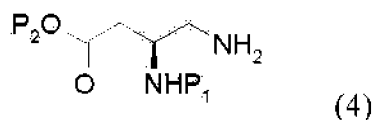
Revendications

1. Procédé de préparation d'un composé de formule (2) **caractérisé en ce qu'un** composé de formule (4) est mis à réagir avec un composé de formule (5) :

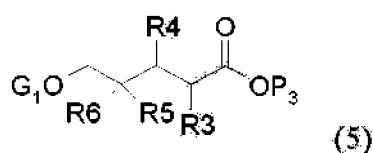
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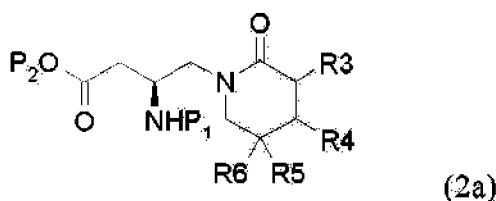
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25 dans lesquels chaque groupe parmi R3, R4, R5 et R6 représente indépendamment un atome d'hydrogène, d'halogène ou un groupe alkyle en C₁ à C₄ substitué ou non substitué ; P₁ représente un groupe protecteur d'amine ; chaque groupe parmi P₂ et P₃ représente indépendamment un groupe benzyle, un groupe méthyle, un groupe éthyle, un groupe i-propyle ou un groupe t-butyle ; et G₁O représente un groupe partant.

- 30 2. Procédé selon la revendication 1, qui comprend :

- (a) l'étape de réaction de couplage par addition d'une base au composé de formule (4) et au composé de formule (5),
 (b) l'étape de cyclisation par addition d'un acide pour obtenir un composé de formule (2a), et
 (c) l'étape d'hydrolyse du composé résultant de formule (2a) pour obtenir le composé de formule (2) :

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45 dans lequel R3, R4, R5, R6, P₁ et P₂ sont tels que définis dans la revendication 1.

3. Procédé selon la revendication 1 ou 2, **caractérisé en ce que** P₂ représente un groupe t-butyle et P₃ représente un groupe méthyle ou éthyle.
4. Procédé selon la revendication 1 ou 2, **caractérisé en ce que** G₁O représente un groupe triflate, mésylate, tosylate, bésylate ou nonaflate.
5. Procédé selon la revendication 1 ou 2, **caractérisé en ce que** R3 et R4 représentent un atome d'hydrogène, et R5 et R6 représentent un atome de fluor.
6. Procédé selon la revendication 2, **caractérisé en ce que** dans l'étape (a) un groupe trialkylamine en C₁ à C₄ est utilisé comme base.

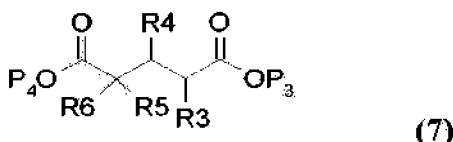
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7. Procédé selon la revendication 2, **caractérisé en ce que** dans l'étape (b) l'acide acétique est utilisé comme acide.

8. Procédé selon la revendication 2, **caractérisé en ce que** dans le cas du composé de formule (2a) dans lequel P₁ représente un groupe Boc et P₂ représente un groupe t-butyle, l'hydrolyse de ladite étape (c) est effectuée dans la condition basique pour enlever de manière sélective uniquement P₂ parmi les groupes de protection P₁ et P₂ pour donner le composé de formule (2), de préférence une solution aqueuse d'hydroxyde de sodium étant utilisée comme base.

9. Procédé selon la revendication 1, ledit procédé comprenant en outre :

(a) l'étape de réduction d'un composé de formule (7) :



dans lequel R₃, R₄, R₅, R₆ et P₃ sont tels que définis ci-dessus dans la revendication 1 et P₄ représente un groupe benzyle, un groupe méthyle, un groupe éthyle, un groupe i-propyle ou un groupe t-butyle, pour obtenir un composé alcool primaire ; et

(b) l'étape de réaction du composé alcool obtenu à partir de ci-dessus avec un composé G₁ correspondant à la partie G₁O du composé de formule (5) pour obtenir le composé de formule (5).

10. Procédé selon la revendication 9, **caractérisé en ce que** dans l'étape (a) la réduction est effectuée en utilisant NaBH₄.

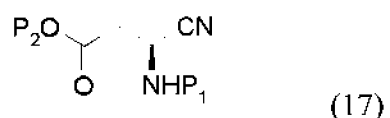
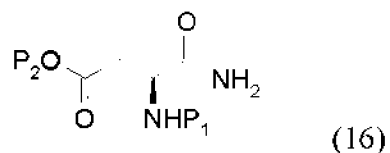
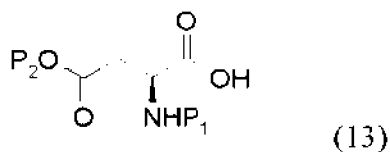
11. Procédé selon la revendication 9, **caractérisé en ce que** dans l'étape (b) le composé G₁ est choisi dans le groupe constitué par l'anhydride d'acide trifluorométhanesulfonyl (Tf₂O), le chlorure de trifluorométhanesulfonyl (TfCl), le chlorure de méthanesulfonyl (MsCl), le chlorure de toluènesulfonyl (TsCl), le chlorure de bromobenzènesulfonyl (BsCl), (CF₃(CF₂)₃SO₂)F et (CF₃(CF₂)₃SO₂)₂O.

12. Procédé selon la revendication 1, ledit procédé comprenant en outre :

(a) l'étape de conversion du composé acide carboxylique de formule (13) en ester activé, qui est ensuite mis à réagir avec un composé source d'azote pour obtenir un composé amide de formule (16),

(b) l'étape de réduction d'un groupe amide du composé de formule (16) pour obtenir un composé nitrile de formule (17), et

(c) l'étape de soumission du composé nitrile de formule (17) à une réaction d'hydrogénation pour obtenir le composé de formule (4) :



dans lesquels P₁ et P₂ sont tels que définis dans la revendication 1.

13. Procédé selon la revendication 12, **caractérisé en ce que** P₁ représente un groupe Boc et P₂ représente un groupe i-propyle ou t-butyle.

5 14. Procédé selon la revendication 12, **caractérisé en ce que** dans l'étape (a) le chloroformate ou le Boc₂O est utilisé comme agent activateur.

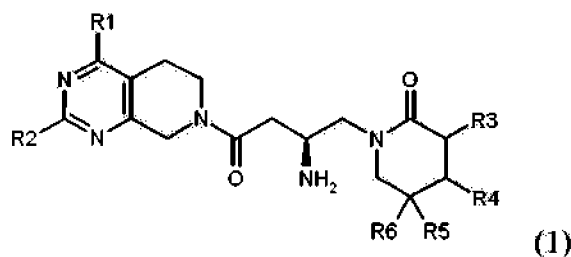
15. Procédé selon la revendication 12, **caractérisé en ce que** le composé source d'azote utilisé dans l'étape (a) est l'ammoniac gazeux ou le sel d'ammonium.

10 16. Procédé selon la revendication 12, **caractérisé en ce que** dans l'étape (b) la réduction est effectuée en utilisant de l'anhydride d'acide trifluorométhanesulfonique et de l'Et₃N, ou du chlorure cyanurique et du DMF.

15 17. Procédé selon la revendication 12, **caractérisé en ce que** dans l'étape (c) l'hydrogénation est effectuée en utilisant un métal choisi parmi le palladium, le chlorure de nickel(I), l'oxyde de platine(IV) et l'hydroxyde de palladium, de préférence ladite hydrogénation étant effectuée en utilisant du métal d'hydroxyde de palladium, de l'acide acétique et de l'hydrogène.

18. Procédé de préparation d'un composé de formule (1) :

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30 dans lequel R1 représente un atome d'hydrogène ou un groupe CF₃, et R2 est choisi dans le groupe constitué par un atome d'hydrogène, un groupe alkyle en C₁ à C₁₀ substitué ou non substitué, un groupe cycloalkyle en C₃ à C₁₀ substitué ou non substitué, un groupe aryle en C₄ à C₈ substitué ou non substitué et un groupe hétéroaryle en C₃ à C₇ substitué ou non substitué, comprenant le
 35 procédé selon la revendication 1.

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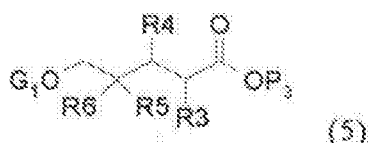
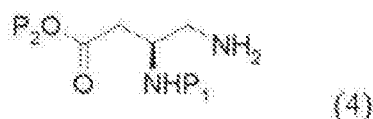
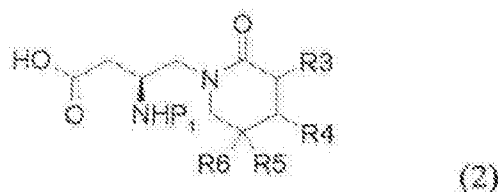
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INTERMEDIER-VEGYÜLET ELŐÁLLÍTÁSI ELJÁRÁSA GYÓGYSZER SZINTÉZISE CÉLJÁBÓL

Szabadalmi igénypontok

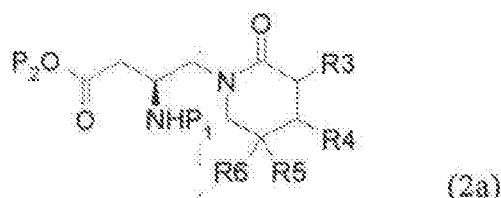
1. Eljárás egy (2) képletű vegyület előállítására, azzal jellemezve, hogy egy (4) képletű vegyület van reagáltatva egy (5) képletű vegyülettel:



ahol R3, R4, R5 és R6 közül mindegyik jelentése egymástól függetlenül hidrogén, halogén, vagy szubsztituált vagy szubsztituálatlan C₁-C₂-alkil; P₁ jelentése egy aminvédőcsoport (angolul: „amine-protecting group”); P₂ és P₃ közül mindegyik jelentése egymástól függetlenül benzil-csoport, metil-csoport, etil-csoport, i-propil-csoport vagy t-butil-csoport; és G₁O jelentése egy távozó-csoport (leváló-csoport, angolul: „leaving group”).

2. Eljárás az 1. igénypont szerint, amely magában foglalja a következőket:

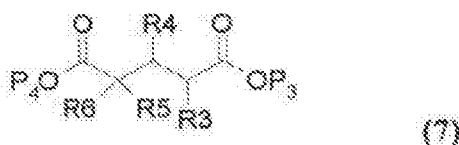
- (a) a lépést, amely összekapcsolási reakcióból áll azáltal, hogy egy bázis van hozzáadva a (4) képletű vegyülethez és az (5) képletű vegyülethez,
- (b) a lépést, amely ciklizációból (angolul: „cyclization”) áll azáltal, hogy egy sav van hozzáadva, hogy legyen előállítva egy (2a) képletű vegyület, és
- (c) a lépést, amely a kapott (2a) képletű vegyület hidrolíziséből áll, hogy legyen előállítva a (2) képletű vegyület:



ahol R3, R4, R5, R6, P₁ és P₂ jelentése az 1. igénypontban meghatározottak szerinti.

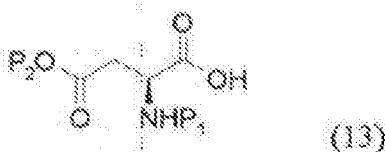
3. Eljárás az 1. vagy 2. igénypont szerint, azzal jellemezve, hogy P₂ jelentése t-butil-csoport és P₃ jelentése metil-csoport vagy etil-csoport.
4. Eljárás az 1. vagy 2. igénypont szerint, azzal jellemezve, hogy G₁O jelentése triflát, mezilát, tozilát, bezilát vagy nonafilát.

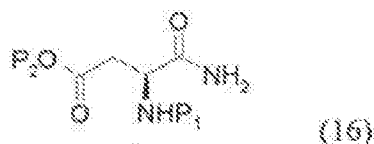
5. Eljárás az 1. vagy 2. igénypont szerint, azzal jellemezve, hogy R3 és R4 jelentése hidrogén, és R5 és R6 jelentése fluor.
6. Eljárás a 2. igénypont szerint, azzal jellemezve, hogy az (a) lépésben C₁-C₄-trialkil-amin van alkalmazva a bázisként.
7. Eljárás a 2. igénypont szerint, azzal jellemezve, hogy a (b) lépésben ecetsav van alkalmazva a savként.
8. Eljárás a 2. igénypont szerint, azzal jellemezve, hogy a (2a) képletű vegyületnek az esetében, ahol P₁ jelentése Boc és P₂ jelentése t-butil, a nevezett (c) lépés szerinti hidrolízis azon alapfeltétel alatt van megvalósítva, hogy szelektív módon csak a P₂ legyen eltávolítva a P₁ és P₂ védőcsoportok közül, hogy rendelkezésre álljon (adva legyen) a (2) képletű vegyület, előnyösen ahol vízes nátrium-hidroxid oldat van alkalmazva a bázisként.
9. Eljárás az 1. igénypont szerint, ahol az eljárás továbbá magában foglalja a következőket:
 - (a) a lépést, amely egy (7) képletű vegyület redukciójából áll:



ahol R3, R4, R5, R6 és P₃ jelentése fennebb, az 1. igénypontban meghatározottak szerinti és P₄ jelentése benzil-csoport, metil-csoport, etil-csoport, i-propil-csoport vagy t-butil-csoport, hogy legyen előállítva egy primer alkohol-vegyület; és

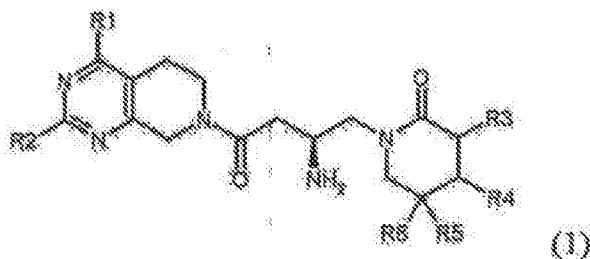
- (b) a lépést, amely abból áll, hogy a fennebb megnevezettek szerint előállított alkohol-vegyület reagáltatva van egy G₁-vegyülettel, amely megfelel az (5) képletű vegyületnek a G₁O-részének, hogy legyen előállítva az (5) képletű vegyület.
10. Eljárás a 9. igénypont szerint, azzal jellemezve, hogy az (a) lépésben a redukció NaBH₄ alkalmazásával van megvalósítva.
11. Eljárás a 9. igénypont szerint, azzal jellemezve, hogy a (b) lépésben a G₁-vegyület a következőkből álló csoportból van választva: trifluor-metán-szulfonsav-anhidrid (TF₂O), trifluor-metán-szulfonil-klorid (TfCl), metán-szulfonil-klorid (MsCl), toluol-szulfonil-klorid (TsCl), bróm-benzol-szulfonil-klorid (BsCl), (CF₃(CF₂)₃SO₂)F és (CF₃(CF₂)₃SO₂)₂O.
12. Eljárás az 1. igénypont szerint, ahol az eljárás továbbá magában foglalja a következőket:
 - (a) a lépést, amely abból áll, hogy a (13) képletű karbonsav-vegyület egy aktivált észterré van átalakítva, amely ezt követően reagáltatva van egy nitrogén-eredetű vegyülettel (angolul: „nitrogen source compound”), hogy legyen előállítva egy (16) képletű amid-vegyület,
 - (b) a lépést, amely abból áll, hogy a (16) képletű vegyület egy amid-csoportja van redukálva, hogy legyen előállítva egy (17) képletű nitril-vegyület, és
 - (c) a lépést, amely abból áll, hogy a (17) képletű nitril-vegyület hidrogénezési reakciónak van alávetve, hogy legyen előállítva a (4) képletű vegyület:





ahol P₁ és P₂ jelentése az 1. igénypontban meghatározottak szerinti.

13. Eljárás a 12. igénypont szerint, azzal jellemezve, hogy P₁ jelentése Boc és P₂ jelentése i-propil vagy t-butil.
14. Eljárás a 12. igénypont szerint, azzal jellemezve, hogy az (a) lépésben klór-formiát vagy Boc₂O van alkalmazva az aktiváló szerként.
15. Eljárás a 12. igénypont szerint, azzal jellemezve, hogy az (a) lépésben alkalmazott nitrogén-eredetű vegyület a következő: ammóniagáz vagy ammóniumsó.
16. Eljárás a 12. igénypont szerint, azzal jellemezve, hogy a (b) lépésben a redukció trifluor-metán-szulfonsav-anhidrid és Et₃N, vagy cianur-klorid és DMF alkalmazásával van megvalósítva.
17. Eljárás a 12. igénypont szerint, azzal jellemezve, hogy a (c) lépésben a hidrogénezés egy fém alkalmazásával van megvalósítva, amely a következők közül van választva: palládium, nikkel(II)-klorid, platina(IV)-oxid és palládium-hidroxid, előnyösen ahol a hidrogénezés a következők alkalmazásával van megvalósítva: palládium-hidroxid-fém, ecetsav és hidrogén.
18. Eljárás egy (1) képletű vegyület előállítására:



ahol R₁ jelentése hidrogén vagy CF₃, és

R₂ jelentése a következőkből álló csoportból van választva: hidrogén, szubsztituált vagy szubsztituálatlan C₁-C₁₀-alkil, szubsztituált vagy szubsztituálatlan C₃-C₁₀-cikloalkil, szubsztituált vagy szubsztituálatlan C₄-C₈-aril és szubsztituált vagy szubsztituálatlan C₃-C₇-heteroaril,

ahol az magában foglalja a 1. igénypont szerinti eljárást.