Supporting Information

Regioselectivity switch in chiral amine-catalysed asymmetric addition of aldehydes to reactive enals

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General Information: Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded on a Thermo SCIENTIFIC Nicolet iS5 spectrometer. ¹H NMR spectra were measured on JEOL JNM-FX400 (400 MHz) and JEOL JNM-ECA500 (500 MHz) spectrometers. Chemical shifts were reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane (in the case of $CDCl_3$) as an internal standard. Data were reported as follows: chemical shift, integration, multiplicity (s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, br = broad, and app = apparent), and coupling constants (Hz). ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on JEOL JNM-FX400 (100 MHz) and JEOL JNM-ECA500 (125 MHz) spectrometes with complete proton decoupling. Chemical shifts were reported in ppm from the residual solvent as an internal standard. High performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) was performed on Shimadzu 20A instruments using Daicel CHIRALPAK OD-3, IA, IA-3, IB-3, IC-3, IE and IF 4.6 mm × 25 cm column. The high-resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were performed on Bruker microTOF. Optical rotations were measured on a JASCO DIP-1000 digital polarimeter. For thin layer chromatography (TLC) analysis throughout this work, Merck precoated TLC plates (silica gel 60 GF₂₅₄, 0.25 mm) were used. The products were purified by flash column chromatography on neutral silica gel 60N (Kanto Chemical Co. Inc., 40-50µm). For purification with preparative thin layer chromatography (PLC), Merck precoated PLC plates (silica gel 60 GF₂₅₄, 0.5 mm) were used. Ethanol, acetonitrile, Dimethyl sulfoxide and aliphatic aldehydes were purchased from Wako Pure Chemical Industries, Ltd. Acetonitrile were stored over molecular sieve 4A. Amine catalysts (R)-1 and (R)-2 were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich Japan, co. Amine catalysts (R)-3 was purchased from Wako Pure Chemical Industries, Ltd. Amine catalysts (R)- 4^1 , (S)- 5^2 , were synthesized according to the literature procedures.

Synthesis of t-butyl 4-oxo-2-butenoate (6)

To a stirred solution of *t*-butyl diethylphosphonoacetate (15 mmol) and potassium carbonate (15 mmol) in toluene (45 mL) was added 2,2-dimethoxyacetaldehyde (15 mmol) at room temperature. After stirring for 1.5 h under reflux, the mixture was cooled to room temperature, quenched with H₂O and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The residue was roughly purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluting with hexane/ethyl acetate = 20/1). The obtained *t*-butyl 4,4-dimethoxy-2-butenoate (8.0 mmol) was dissolved in water (32 ml) and formic acid (16 ml). After stirring for 4 h at 40 °C, the mixture was cooled to room temperature,

quenched with saturated NaHCO₃ aq. and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluting with hexane/ethyl acetate = 20/1) to give *t*-butyl 4-oxo-2-butenoate (**6**) in 53 % yield (2 steps); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.75 (1H, d, *J* = 7.6), 6.89 (1H, dd, *J* = 16.1, 7.8 Hz), 6.65 (1H, d, *J* = 16.2 Hz), 1.53 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 192.7, 164.0, 141.5, 139.6, 82.5, 27.9; IR (neat) 2980, 1717, 1700, 1311, 1256, 1154 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd. for C₉H₁₆NaO₄ (methanol adduct): 211.0941 ([M + MeOH + Na]⁺), Found: 211.0937 ([M + MeOH + Na]⁺).



Table S1. Solvent Screening for the Asymmetric Aldol Reaction^a

^{*a*}The reaction of 3-phenylpropanal (0.1 mmol) with **6** (0.3 mmol) was carried out in the presence of (*R*)-**2** (0.01 mmol) in a solvent (0.1 mL) at room temperature for 24 h. ^{*b*}Isolated yield. ^cDetermined by ¹H-NMR. ^{*d*}The diastereoselectivity of **9a** was determined by ¹H-NMR. ^{*c*}The enantioselectivity of *anti*-**9a** was determined by HPLC using chiral column. ^{*f*}Performed at 0 °C for 6 days. ^{*g*}Use of 5 equiv of H₂O as additive.

General Procedure for the Asymmetric Aldol Reaction

To a stirred solution of catalyst (*R*)-2 (0.01 mmol) and water (0.5 mmol) in dimethyl sulfoxide (100 μ L) were added an aliphatic aldehyde (0.1 mmol) and **6** (0.3 mmol) at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 24 h. To the reaction mixture were then added EtOH (1.0 mL) and NaBH₄(15 mg, 0.4 mmol) at 0 °C. After 30 min of stirring at 0 °C, the reaction mixture was quenched with 1N HCl aq. and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to afford the corresponding aldol product. All products showed a single spot on TLC and were obtained as a diastereomeric mixture.

t-Butyl (4*R*,5*S*,2*E*)-5-benzyl-4,6-dihydroxy-2-hexenoate (Table 2, entry 2)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32-7.20 (5H, m), 6.90 (1H, dd, J = 15.9, 4.6 Hz), 6.05 (1H, dd, J = 15.8, 1.8 Hz), 4.39 (1H, app s), 3.88 (1H, app d, J = 10.7 Hz), 3.62 (1H, app d, J = 10.8 Hz), 2.94 (1H, dd, J = 13.9, 7.3 Hz), 2.93 (1H, br), 2.83 (1H, dd, J = 13.9, 8.5 Hz), 2.02 (1H, br), 1.94 (1H, m), 1.51 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.7, 148.2, 139.7, 129.1, 128.5, 126.3, 123.2, 80.6, 73.7, 62.9, 46.0, 34.6, 28.1; IR (neat) 3373, 2961, 1723, 1367, 1149, 1050 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd. for C₁₇H₂₄NaO₄: 315.1567 ([M + Na]⁺), Found: 315.1573([M + Na]⁺); Daicel Chiralpak IB-3, hexane/ethanol = 20/1, flow rate 0.5 mL/min, λ = 210 nm, retention time: 17.3 min (major) and 18.3 min.

t-Butyl (4R,5S,2E)-4,6-dihydroxy-5-methyl-2-hexenoate (Table 2, entry 3)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.86 (1H, dd, 15.6, 5.6 Hz), 5.99 (1H, dd, J = 15.9, 1.5 Hz), 4.24-4.21 (1H, m, HOC<u>H</u>), 3.80 (1H, dd, J = 11.0, 3.7 Hz), 3.64 (1H, dd, J = 11.0, 6.8 Hz), 3.41 (1H, br), 2.78 (1H, br), 1.90-1.80 (1H, m), 1.49 (9H, s), 0.96 (3H, d, J = 7.1 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.8, 147.4, 123.3, 80.6, 76.1, 66.8, 39.9, 28.1, 13.5; IR (neat) 3366, 2977, 1693, 1311, 1150 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd. for C₁₁H₂₀NaO₄: 239.1254 ([M + Na]⁺), Found: 239.1251 ([M + Na]⁺); Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/ethanol = 20/1, flow rate 0.75 mL/min, $\lambda = 206$ nm, retention time: 36.8 min (major) and 52.0 min.

t-Butyl (4R,5S,2E)-4-hydroxy-5-(hydroxymethyl) -2,7-octadienoate (Table 2, entry 4)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.89 (1H, dd, J = 15.9, 4.9 Hz), 6.05 (1H, dd, J = 15.9, 1.7 Hz), 5.86-5.78 (2H, m), 5.15-5.07 (2H, m), 4.41 (1H, app d, J = 3.9 Hz), 3.90 (1H, app d, J = 11.0 Hz), 3.70 (1H, d, J = 6.4 Hz), 2.92 (1H, app d, J = 4.9 Hz), 2.38-2.21 (2H, m), 2.13 (1H, br), 1.78-1.71 (1H, m), 1.49 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.7, 147.9, 136.0, 123.3, 117.3, 80.6, 63.5, 44.1, 32.8, 28.1; IR (neat) 3400, 2978, 1694, 1314, 1153 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd. for C₁₃H₂₂NaO₄: 265.1410 ([M + Na]⁺), Found: 265.1410 ([M + Na]⁺); Daicel Chiralpak IF-OD-3 (connected two columns), hexane/2-propanol = 20/1, flow rate 0.75 mL/min, $\lambda = 208$ nm, retention time: 39.9 min (major) and 42.2 min.

t-Butyl (4*R*,5*S*,2*E*)-4-hydroxy-5-(hydroxymethyl)-6-methyl-2-heptenoate (Table 2, entry 5)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.89 (1H, dd, 15.8, 4.8 Hz), 6.07 (1H, dd, J = 15.9, 1.7 Hz), 4.58 (1H, app s), 3.91-3.85 (2H, m), 3.19 (1H, br), 2.31 (1H, br), 2.10-2.02 (1H, m), 1.49 (9H, s), 1.33-1.29 (1H, m), 1.05 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz), 0.97 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.8, 149.0, 122.8, 80.5, 73.4, 61.8, 50.2, 28.1, 25.5, 21.2, 19.7; IR (neat) 3391, 2966, 1712, 1518, 1280, 1152 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd. for C₁₃H₂₄NaO₄: 267.1567 ([M + Na]⁺), Found: 267.1560 ([M + Na]⁺); Daicel Chiralpak IC-3, hexane/2-propanol = 10/1, flow rate 0.6 mL/min, $\lambda = 208$ nm, retention time: 31.3 min (major) and 33.0 min.

t-Butyl (4*R*,5*S*,*E*)-5-(((benzyloxy)carbonyl)amino)-4,6-dihydroxy-2-hexenoate (Table 2, entry 6)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.37-7.30 (5H, m), 6.88 (1H, dd, J = 15.7, 4.0 Hz), 6.10 (1H, dd, J = 15.7, 1.3 Hz), 5.64 (1H, br), 5.12 (2H, s), 4.60 (1H, br), 3.93 (1H, d, J = 8.8 Hz), 3.77-3.74 (2H, m), 3.08 (1H, br), 2.35 (1H, br), 1.49 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.5, 156.5, 145.0, 136.1, 128.6, 128.3, 128.1,

124.1, 80.9, 73.3, 67.1, 62.3, 54.9, 28.1; IR (neat) 3391, 2977, 1694, 1530, 1255, 1152, 1055 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd. for $C_{18}H_{25}NNaO_6$: 374.1574 ([M + Na]⁺), Found: 374.1573 ([M + Na]⁺); Daicel Chiralpak IB-3, hexane/ethanol = 20/1, flow rate 0.75 mL/min, λ = 206 nm, retention time: 35.6 min (major) and 40.9 min.

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]	✓ R' [−] / ₂ 6 ² 5 CO ₂ ^t Bu)	. NaBH ₄ , EtOH 0 °C, 1.5 h	Bn 10a conjugate a (C)	dduct aldo	✓ R' 9a I adduct (A)
entry	solvent	yield $(\%)^b$	C/A^c	syn/anti ^d	ee (%) ^e
1	toluene	65	2.1/1	5.0/1	96
2	CH_2Cl_2	46	3.1/1	3.2/1	95
3	THF	44	2.6/1	5.7/1	97
4	DMF	19	>20/1	12/1	96
5	MeCN	62	6.6/1	16/1	98
6 ^{<i>f</i>}	MeCN	68	8.2/1	14/1	97
7 ^{<i>f</i>,<i>g</i>}	MeCN	79	8.6/1	15/1	97

Table S2. Solvent Screening for the Asymmetric Conjugate Addition^a

^{*a*}The reaction of 3-phenylpropanal (0.1 mmol) with **6** (0.3 mmol) was carried out in the presence of (*S*)-**5** (0.005 mmol) and H_2O (0.5 mmol) in a solvent (0.1 mL) at 0 °C for 24 h. ^{*b*}Isolated yield. ^cDetermined by ¹H-NMR. ^{*d*}The diastereoselectivity of **10a** was determined by ¹H-NMR. ^{*a*}The enantioselectivity of *syn*-**10a** was determined by HPLC using chiral column. ^{*f*}Use of 5 equiv of H_2O as additive. ^{*g*}Performed for 36 h.

General Procedure for the Asymmetric Conjugate Addition

To a stirred solution of catalyst (*S*)-**5** (0.005 mmol) and water (0.5 mmol) in acetonitrile (100 μ L) were added an aliphatic aldehyde (0.1 mmol) and **6** (0.3 mmol) at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred for 36 h. To the reaction mixture were then added EtOH (1.0 mL) and NaBH₄(15 mg, 0.4 mmol) at 0 °C. After 30 min of stirring at 0 °C, the reaction mixture was quenched with 1N HCl and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel to afford the corresponding conjugate adduct. All products showed a single spot on TLC and were obtained as a diastereomeric mixture.

t-Butyl (2*S*,3*R*)-3-benzyl-4-hydroxy-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)butanoate (Table 3, entry 3)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31-7.27 (2H, m), 7.22-7.18 (3H, m), 3.73-3.51 (4H, m), 2.73-2.65 (2H, m), 2.58 (1H, dd, *J* = 13.9, 10.0 Hz), 2.17-2.12 (1H, m), 2.04-1.94 (2H, m), 1.85-1.77 (2H, m), 1.50 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.2, 140.1, 129.0, 128.5, 126.2, 81.2, 62.1, 61.4, 44.8, 44.2, 35.0, 31.9, 28.1; IR (neat) 3367, 2932, 1720, 1703, 1367, 1149, 1052 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd. for C₁₇H₂₆NaO4:

317.1723 ($[M + Na]^+$), Found: 317.1728 ($[M + Na]^+$); Daicel Chiralpak IE, hexane/ethanol = 30/1, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, $\lambda = 209$ nm, retention time: 31.8 min and 36.4 min (major).

t-Butyl (2S,3R)-4-hydroxy-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-3-methylbutanoate (Table 3, entry 4)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.71-3.63 (2H, m), 3.60-3.57 (2H, m), 2.61-2.56 (1H, m), 2.04-1.93 (2H, m), 1.73-1.65 (1H, m), 1.47 (9H, s), 0.93 (3H, d, *J* = 7.1 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.6, 81.1, 65.9, 61.3, 44.8, 38.0, 32.4, 28.1, 13.8; IR (neat) 3365, 2968, 1723, 1705, 1368, 1153, 1044 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd. for C₁₁H₂₂NaO₄: 241.1410 ([M + Na]⁺), Found: 241.1409 ([M + Na]⁺); The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC after conversion to the corresponding 3,5-dinitrobenzoate ester. Daicel Chiralpak IA-3, hexane/ethyl acetate = 7/3, flow rate 0.75 mL/min, λ = 252 nm, retention time: 30.5 min and 31.8 min (major).

t-Butyl (2*S*,3*R*)-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-3-(hydroxymethyl)heptanoate (Table 3, entry 5)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.74-3.57 (4H, m), 2.65-2.60 (1H, m), 2.01-1.93 (2H, m), 1.87 (2H, br d, J = 14.9 Hz, water overlapped) 1.73-1.63 (1H, m), 1.47 (9H, s), 1.35-1.24 (6H, m), 0.90 (3H, t, J = 6.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.5, 81.1, 63.3, 61.4, 44.3, 42.8, 31.7, 29.7, 28.3, 28.1, 22.8, 14.0; IR (neat) 3365, 2931, 1723, 1367, 1152, 1051 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd. for C₁₄H₂₈NaO₄: 283.1880 ([M + Na]⁺); Found: 283.1884 ([M + Na]⁺); The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC after conversion to the corresponding 3,5-dinitrobenzoate ester. Daicel Chiralpak IA-IF (connected two columns), ethylacetate/ hexane = 3/7, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, $\lambda = 251$ nm, retention time: 22.1 min and 24.9 min (major).

t-Butyl (2*S*,3*R*)-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-3-(hydroxymethyl)hex-5-enoate (Table 3, entry 6)

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{24} = 10.7 (c \ 0.79, \text{CHCl}_3; 94\% \text{ ee});$ ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.85-5.75 (1H, m), 5.10-5.04 (2H, m), 3.73-3.60 (4H, m), 2.67-2.62 (1H, m), 2.17-2.03 (2H, m), 1.96-1.90 (4H, m), 1.77-1.70 (1H, m), 1.47 (9H, s); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.2, 136.6, 116.8, 81.2, 62.8, 61.2, 43.9, 42.5, 33.5, 31.7, 28.1; IR (neat) 3362, 2931, 1722, 1703, 1367, 1151, 1050 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd. for C₁₃H₂₄NaO₄: 267.1567 $([M + Na]^+)$, Found: 267.1558 $([M + Na]^+)$; The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC after conversion to the corresponding 3,5-dinitrobenzoate ester. Daicel Chiralpak IA3. hexane/ethanol/ethylacetate = 4/0.15/1, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, $\lambda = 250$ nm, retention time: 24.1 min and 27.9 min (major).

t-Butyl (2*S*,3*R*)-2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-3-(hydroxymethyl)-4-methylpentanoate (Table 3, entry 7)

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{27} = 18.8 (c \ 0.31, CHCl_3; 95\% ee); {}^{1}H \ NMR (400 \ MHz, CDCl_3) \delta 3.76-3.62 (4H, m), 2.71-2.66 (1H, m), 2.08 (2H, br), 2.02-1.93 (1H, m), 1.83-1.68 (3H, m), 1.46 (9H, s), 0.98 (3H, d,$ *J*= 6.6 Hz), 0.95 (3H, d,*J* $= 6.6 Hz); {}^{13}C \ NMR (125 \ MHz, CDCl_3) \delta 176.4, 81.0, 61.6, 61.4, 48.5, 43.6, 31.3, 28.2, 28.0, 21.6, 19.5; IR (neat) 3373, 2961, 1723, 1367, 1149, 1050 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd. for C₁₃H₂₆NaO₄: 269.1723 ([M + Na]⁺), Found: 269.1717 ([M + Na]⁺); The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC after conversion to the corresponding 3,5-dinitrobenzoate ester. Daicel Chiralpak IA-3, hexane/ethyl acetate = 7/3, flow rate$

0.75 mL/min, $\lambda = 251$ nm, retention time: 17.7 min and 20.9 min(major).

(2S,3R,4E)-2-Methyl-5-(4-nitrophenyl)pent-4-ene-1,3-diol (11)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.19 (2H, d, *J* = 9.0 Hz), 7.52 (2H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 6.71 (1H, d, *J* = 16.4 Hz), 6.45 (1H, dd, *J* = 16.1, 6.6 Hz), 4.30 (1H, app t, *J* = 7.1 Hz), 3.86 (1H, app d, *J* = 10.6 Hz), 3.72 (1H, app t, *J* = 8.9 Hz), 2.97 (1H, br), 2.31 (1H, br), 1.97-1.90 (1H, m), 0.96 (3H, d, *J* = 7.1 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.1, 143.1, 136.0, 129.1, 127.0, 124.0, 77.8, 67.3, 40.4, 13.6; IR (neat) 3359, 2926, 2360, 1515, 1343 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₅NNaO₄: 260.0893 ([M + Na]⁺), Found: 260.0889 ([M + Na]⁺); Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/ethanol = 10/1, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, λ = 305 nm, retention time: 47.2 min and 50.4 min (major).

(2R,3S)-2-Benzyl-3-(4-nitrophenyl)pentane-1,5-diol (12)

¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.21 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz), 7.43 (2H, d, J = 8.8 Hz), 7.24-7.22 (2H, m), 7.19-7.16 (1H, m), 7.05-7.03 (2H, m), 3.76-3.72 (1H, m), 3.61-3.56 (1H, m), 3.46-3.39 (2H, m), 3.26-3.21 (1H, m), 2.50 (1H, dd, J = 13.9, 4.2 Hz), 2.36 (1H, dd, J = 13.9, 10.8 Hz), 2.29-2.20 (1H, m), 2.10-2.02 (1H, m), 1.99-1.91 (1H, m); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.4, 146.7, 140.2, 129.4, 128.9, 128.5, 126.2, 123.7, 60.8, 60.7, 47.6, 42.5, 35.3, 35.0; IR (neat) 3345, 2928, 1515, 1345, 1050 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd. for C₁₈H₂₁NNaO₄: 338.1363 ([M + Na]⁺), Found: 338.1363 ([M + Na]⁺); Daicel Chiralpak IA, hexane/ethanol = 5/1, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, $\lambda = 273$ nm, retention time: 9.4min (major) and 22.7 min.

Determination of Relative and Absolute Configuration of the Aldol Product



To a stirred solution of *t*-butyl (4*R*,5*S*,2*E*)-4,6-dihydroxy-5-methyl-2-hexenoate (11.4mg, 0.52 mmol) and PTSA (4.9 mg, 0.025 mmol) in dioxane (2.5 mL) was added benzaldehyde dimethyl acetal (0.155 mL, 1.0 mmol) at room temperature. After stirring for 48 h, the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NaHCO₃ aq. and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The residue was roughly purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluting with hexane/ethyl acetate = 10/1) to give *t*-butyl 3-(5-methyl-2-phenyl-1,3-dioxan-4-yl) acrylate (**13**) in 91 % yield (137 mg, 0.47 mmol). To a precooled solution of **13** (34.2 mg, 0.12 mmol) in MeOH (6 mL) at -78 °C, ozone was bubbled for 20 minutes. Methyl sulfide was then added to the reaction mixture. After stirring at room temperature overnight, the reaction mixture was quenched with H₂O and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layer was guenched with H₂O and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layer was quenched with H₂O and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated.

5/1) to give ((4*S*,5*S*)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-1,3-dioxan-4-yl)methanol (**20**) in 59 % yield (14.4 mg, 0.069 mmol). $[\alpha]_{D}^{24} = 11.4$. (*c* 0.83, CHCl₃) The relative and absolute configuration was determined by comparison with ¹H NMR spectra and optical rotation of the literature data (lit $[\alpha]_{D}^{25} = 13.1$ (*c* 0.69, CHCl₃)).³





Diol **13** was prepared by the procedure described above. To a solution of **13** (13.0 mg, 0.043 mmol) and *N*-methylmorpholine *N*-oxide (10 mg, 0.086 mmol) in acetone (100 µL) and water (10 µL) was added 4% osmium tetroxide solution in water (27 µL) at room temperature. After stirring at room temperature for 5 h, the reaction mixture was quenched with K₂S₂O₅ (22 mg 0.1 mmol). After stirring for 20 min, the reaction mixture was added water and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluting with hexane/ethyl acetate = 3/1) to give *t*-butyl-(2*R*,3*R*)-2,3-dihydroxy-3-((2*S*,4*S*,5*S*)-5-methyl-2-phenyl-1,3-dioxan-4-yl)propanoate (**14**) and the inseparable diastereomer (d.r. = 2.9 :1) in 95% yield (13.8 mg, 0.041 mmol). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.48-7.44 (2H, m), 7.38-7.31 (3H, m), 5.49 (1H, s), 4.50 (1H, dd, *J* = 3.6, 1.2 Hz), 4.13 (1H, dd, *J* = 11.4, 4.8 Hz), 4.05 (1H, ddd, *J* = 11.3, 6.9, 1.1 Hz), 3.64 (1H, dd, *J* = 9.9, 6.8 Hz), 3.53 (1H, app t, *J* = 11.2 Hz), 3.23 (1H, d, *J* = 3.4 Hz), 2.49 (1H, d, *J* = 11.4 Hz), 2.14-2.03 (1H, m), 1.49 (9H, s), 0.98 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 172.7, 138.1, 128.9, 128.2, 126.0, 101.0, 83.1, 82.5, 74.1, 73.1, 70.1, 33.2, 28.0, 13.0; IR (neat) 3475, 2976, 1728, 1369, 1290, 1143, 1120, 1072 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd. for C₁₈H₂₆O₆Na: 361.1622 ([M + Na]+), Found: 316.1621 ([M + Na]+).

Determination of Relative Configuration of 14



To a stirred solution of **14** (17.0 mg, 0.05 mmol) and PTSA (1 mg, 5 μ mol) in acetone (580 μ L) was added 2,2-dimethoxypropane (184 μ L, 1.5 mmol) at room temperature. After stirring for 12 h, the reaction mixture was quenched with saturated NaHCO₃ aq. and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The residue was roughly purified by PLC

(hexane/ethyl acetate = 10/1) to give the protected tetraol **21**. To a precooled solution of **21** (12.2 mg, 0.033 mmol) in THF (260 μ L) at 0 °C, lithium aluminium hydride was added. After stirring for 1 h, the reaction mixture was warmed up to room temperature and stirred for 3 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to 0 °C, and quenched with saturated potassium sodium tartrate aq. After stirring for 20 min at room temperature, the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated to give the protected pentaol **22** quantitatively. The relative configuration of **14** was determined by comparison of ¹H NMR spectra of **22** with the literature data.⁴

t-Butyl (3R,4S)-1-benzyl-3-methylpiperidine-4-carboxylate (16)

To a stirred solution of *t*-butyl (2*S*,3*R*)-3-methyl-4-oxo-2-(2-oxoethyl)butanoate (**15**) (13.8 mg, 0.065 mmol) and AcOH (7.2 µL, 0.012 mmol) in methanol (4 mL) were added benzylamine (110 µL, 0.12 mmol) and sodium cyanoborohydride (25 mg, 0.4 mmol) at room temperature. After stirring at room temperature for 25 h, the reaction mixture was quenched with water and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄ and concentrated. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography on silica gel (eluting with hexane/ethyl acetate = 10/1) to give *t*-butyl (3*R*,4*S*)-1-benzyl-3-methylpiperidine-4-carboxylate (**16**) in 64 %yield (12.0 mg, 0.041mmol). $[\alpha]_{p}^{24}$ = 7.8 (*c* 0.77, CHCl₃; 91% ee); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.31-7.22 (5H, m), 3.48 (2H, s), 2.90 (1H, dd, *J* = 11.2, 1.6 Hz), 2.82 (1H, ddd, *J* = 11.4, 3.8, 1.4 Hz), 1.93-1.87 (2H, m), 1.82-1.75 (3H, m), 1.60 (1H, app t, *J* = 11.1 Hz), 1.44 (9H, s), 0.85 (3H, d, *J* = 6.6 Hz); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 174.7, 138.3, 129.1, 128.2, 126.9, 80.0, 63.1, 60.6, 52.9, 50.8, 33.1, 29.1, 28.1, 17.5; IR (neat) 2930, 2801, 1725, 1366, 1278, 1152 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI-TOF) Calcd. for C₁₈H₂₈NO₂: 290.2115 ([M + Na]⁺), Found: 290.2117 ([M + H]⁺); Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/ethanol = 200/3, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, λ = 209 nm, retention time: 7.2 min (major) and 9.0 min.

Crystal Structure Analysis of 16·(S)-Binaphthyl Phosphoric Acid Salt

Single crystals of $16 \cdot (S)$ -binaphthyl phosphoric acid Salt for X-ray diffraction experiments were grown from CH₂Cl₂, ethyl acetate and diethyl ether at room temperature. The data were collected at -150 °C on a Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID IP diffractometer with graphite-monochromated Cu K α radiation ($\lambda = 1.5419$ Å). The crystal structure was solved by direct methods using SIR97⁵ and refined in SHELXL-97⁶ by full matrix least-squares using anisotropic thermal displacement parameters for all non-hydrogen atoms. Crystallographic data for $16 \cdot (S)$ -binaphthyl phosphoric acid Salt: C₁₈H₂₈NO₂ + C₂₀H₁₂O₄P + CH₂Cl₂, colorless prisms, 0.08×0.04×0.01 mm³, monoclinic, *P*₂₁, *a* = 9.921(3), *b* = 16.320(4), *c* = 11.549(3) Å, *V* = 1854.5(9) Å³, ρ_{calcd} = 1.294 gcm⁻³, *Z* = 2, 2 θ_{max} = 136.64°, μ = 2.361 mm⁻¹. A total of 14750 reflections were measured. *R* = 0.0518, and *Rw* = 0.1233 for 6264 observed reflections with *I* > 2.0 σ (*I*). CCDC-990981 (16·(*S*)-binaphthyl phosphoric acid Salt) contains the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge from The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.



ORTEP diagram of $16 \cdot (S)$ -binaphthyl phosphoric acid Salt

A Study of Non-linear Effect in the Asymmetric Conjugate Addition

The ee value of the conjugate adduct **10a** correlated linearly with that of the catalyst **5** and the present conjugate addition did not exhibit a non-linear effect.



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Chiral HPLC Chart



Daicel Chiralpak IB-3, hexane/ethanol = 20/1, flow rate 0.5 mL/min, λ = 210 nm, retention time: 17.3 min (major) and 18.3 min.





Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/ethanol = 20/1, flow rate 0.75 mL/min, λ = 206 nm, retention time: 36.8 min (major) and 52.0 min.





IF-OD-3 (conected two columns), hexane/2-propanol = 20/1, flow rate 0.75 mL/min, λ = 208 nm, retention time: 39.9 min (major) and 42.2 min.







Daicel Chiralpak IC-3, hexane/2-propanol = 10/1, flow rate 0.6 mL/min, λ = 208 nm, retention time: 31.3 min (major) and 33.0 min.







Daicel Chiralpak IB-3, hexane/ethanol = 20/1, flow rate 0.75 mL/min, λ = 206 nm, retention time: 35.6 min (major) and 40.9 min.





Daicel Chiralpak IE, hexane/ethanol = 30/1, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, λ = 209 nm, retention time: 31.8 min and 36.4 min (major).







The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC after conversion to the corresponding 3,5-dinitrobenzoate ester. Daicel Chiralpak IA-3, hexane/ethyl acetate = 7/3, flow rate 0.75 mL/min, λ = 252 nm, retention time: 30.5 min and 31.8 min (major).





The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC after conversion to the corresponding 3,5-dinitrobenzoate ester. Daicel Chiralpak IA-IF (conected two columns), ethylacetate/ hexane = 3/7, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, λ = 251 nm, retention time: 22.1 min and 24.9 min (major).





The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC after conversion to the corresponding 3,5-dinitrobenzoate ester. Daicel Chiralpak IA3, hexane/ethanol/ethylacetate = 4/0.15/1, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, $\lambda = 250$ nm, retention time: 24.1 min and 27.9 min (major).







The enantiomeric excess was determined by HPLC after conversion to the corresponding 3,5-dinitrobenzoate ester. Daicel Chiralpak IA-3, hexane/ethyl acetate = 7/3, flow rate 0.75 mL/min, $\lambda = 251$ nm, retention time: 17.7 min and 20.9 min(major).





Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/ethanol = 10/1, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, λ = 305 nm, retention time: 47.2 min and 50.4 min (major).







Daicel Chiralpak IA, hexane/ethanol = 5/1, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, λ = 273 nm, retention time: 9.4min (major) and 22.7 min.







Daicel Chiralpak IF, hexane/ethanol = 200/3, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, λ = 209 nm, retention time: 7.2 min (major) and 9.0 min.



