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Anti-Aminofluorination of Alkenes with Amidines Mediated by Hypervalent Iodine(III) Reagents

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1. General

¹H NMR (400 MHz) spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance 400 spectrometer in CDCl₃ [using CDCl₃ (for ¹H, δ = 7.26) as the internal standard unless otherwise stated]. ¹³C NMR (100 MHz) spectra on a Bruker Avance 400 spectrometer in CDCl₃ [using CDCl₃ (for ¹³C, δ = 77.00) as internal standard]. The following abbreviations were used to explain the multiplicities: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, dd = doublet of doublet, ddd = doublet of doublet of doublet of doublet, dt = doublet of triplet, tt = triplet of triplet, m = multiplet, br = broad. IR spectra were recorded on a Shimadzu IR Prestige-21 FT-IR Spectrometer. High-resolution mass spectra were obtained with a Q-Tof Premier LC HR mass spectrometer. Melting points were uncorrected and were recorded on a Buchi B-54 melting point apparatus. Flash column chromatography was performed using Merck silica gel 60 with distilled solvents. PhI(OAc)₂, Et₃N•3HF, and benzonitrile were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich Co., Inc. 3,5-difluorobenzonitrile was purchased from Apollo Scientific Ltd.

Caution: Hydrofluoric acid (HF) is an extremely dangerous chemical, which should be handled with great caution. It is very toxic by inhalation, skin and eye contact as well as ingestion. Appropriate personal protection equipment such as goggles, gloves, and laboratory coats should be worn when handling HF. Although $Et_3N \cdot 3HF$ is much less corrosive than HF, any contact and ingestion should be avoided.

2. Synthesis of iodobenzene di(2-isopropyl-2,3-dimethylbutanoate) PhI[OCOC(*i*-Pr)₂Me]₂



To a 50 mL round-bottomed flask was added $PhI(OAc)_2$ (1.023 g, 3.18 mmol) and 2isopropyl-2,3-dimethylbutanoic acid¹ (1.005 g, 6.35 mmol) in 20 mL *o*-xylene. The flask was heated at 50 °C under reduced pressure (30 mbar) to remove the solvent and generated acetic acid. The residue was added 20 mL *o*-xylene and evaporated again to provide the iodobenzene di(2-isopropyl-2,3-dimethylbutanoate) (1.644 g, 3.17 mmol) in quantitative yield as a yellow oil.

Iodobenzene di(2-isopropyl-2,3-dimethylbutanoate):



IR (NaCl) 3061, 2970, 2878, 1694, 1643, 1584, 1472, 1443, 1393, 1373, 1246, 1161, 1125, 1051, 781, 737 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.78 (12H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.80 (12H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.92 (6H, s), 1.87 (4H, sept, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 7.45 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.55 (1H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 8.06 (2H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.8, 17.5, 18.4, 32.7, 53.4, 121.9, 130.4, 131.2, 135.0, 181.1; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 519.1980. Calcd for C₂₄H₄₀O₄I: (M+H)⁺ 519.1971.

3. Synthesis of *N*-alkenylamidines 1² A typical procedure for synthesis of *N*-alkenylamidine 1a:

To a mixture of *N*-cinnamylaniline³ (2.774 g, 13.25 mmol) in toluene (15 mL) was added trimethylaluminum (2M solution in toluene, 10.0 mL, 20.0 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 1 h. A solution of benzonitrile (2.0 mL, 19.50 mmol) in toluene (4.0 mL) was added and the mixture was heated to 100 °C for 20 h. After being cooled to room temperature, the reaction was carefully quenched with 20% NaOH solution (30 mL), and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel; hexane:ethyl acetate = 80:20 then triethylamine:ethyl acetate = 3:97) to afford **1a** (2.604 g, 8.34 mmol) in 63% yield as a pale yellow solid.

N-Cinnamyl-*N*-phenylbenzimidamide (1a):⁴



mp: 87-88 °C; IR (NaCl) 3310, 3032, 2924, 1674, 1566, 1497, 1435, 1396, 1234, 1180, 949 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.73 (2H, d, *J* = 4.4 Hz), 6.44-6.54 (2H, m), 6.95-7.00 (3H, m), 7.09-7.21 (6H, m), 7.25-7.36 (6H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 53.6, 124.9, 125.5, 126.4, 126.9, 127.3, 127.6, 128.0, 128.4, 128.6, 128.8, 131.9, 136.9, 138.6, 145.3, 167.8; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 313.1699. Calcd for C₂₂H₂₁N₂: (M+H)⁺ 313.1705.

N-Benzyl-*N*-cinnamylbenzimidamide (1b):⁴



50% yield as a pale yellow solid from (*E*)-*N*-benzyl-3-phenylprop-2-en-1-amine⁵ and benzonitrile.

mp: 73-74 °C; IR (NaCl) 3310, 3024, 2932, 1667, 1566, 1450, 1358, 1180, 1134, 972 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.02 (2H, d, *J* = 5.6 Hz), 4.61 (2H, s), 5.34 (1H, s br), 6.18 (1H, dt, *J* = 6.0, 16.0 Hz), 6.38 (1H, d, *J* = 16.0 Hz), 7.21-7.42 (15H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 49.1, 50.1, 125.0, 126.2, 126.4, 126.9, 127.3, 127.4, 128.37, 128.39, 128.43, 128.8, 132.3, 136.5, 137.9, 138.4, 169.4; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 327.1864. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₃N₂: (M+H)⁺ 327.1861.

N-Allyl-*N*-cinnamylbenzimidamide (1c):⁴



62% yield as a pale yellow oil from (*E*)-*N*-allyl-3-phenylprop-2-en-1-amine⁶ and benzonitrile. This compound was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel; CH_2Cl_2 :MeOH = 98:2 then triethylamine:ethyl acetate = 3:97).

IR (NaCl) 3318, 3063, 3024, 2916, 1574, 1443, 1420, 1358, 1188, 964 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.93 (2H, d, *J* = 4.4 Hz), 4.07 (2H, d, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 5.17-5.21 (2H, m), 5.79-5.88 (1H, m), 6.21 (1H, dt, *J* = 6.0, 16.0 Hz), 6.45 (1H, d, *J* = 16.0 Hz), 7.22 (1H, t, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 7.31 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.36-7.38 (7H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 49.2, 49.7, 116.8, 125.4, 126.3, 126.5, 127.5, 128.4, 128.5, 128.9, 132.2, 133.8, 136.7, 138.5, 169.1; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 277.1701. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₁N₂: (M+H)⁺ 277.1705.

(E)-N-(3-(4-Chlorophenyl)allyl)-N-phenylbenzimidamide (1d):⁴



59% yield as a pale yellow solid from (*E*)-*N*-(3-(4-chlorophenyl)allyl)aniline⁷ and benzonitrile.

mp: 129-130 °C; IR (NaCl) 3310, 3024, 2909, 1659, 1566, 1489, 1396, 1288, 1150, 1088, 964 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.73 (2H, ddd, J = 1.2, 3.2, 14.8 Hz), 6.33 (1H, s br), 6.45-6.46 (2H, m), 6.96-7.99 (3H, m), 7.12 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.18-7.31 (9H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 53.6, 125.1, 126.2, 126.9, 127.57, 127.64, 128.1, 128.5, 128.7, 128.9, 130.7, 132.9, 135.4, 138.4, 145.2, 167.8; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 347.1315. Calcd for C₂₂H₂₀N₂Cl: (M+H)⁺ 347.1315.

(E)-N-(3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)allyl)-N-phenylbenzimidamide (1e):⁴



83% yield as a pale yellow oil from (E)-N-(3-(4-methoxyphenyl)allyl)aniline⁷ and benzonitrile.

IR (NaCl) 3310, 3032, 2932, 2839, 1566, 1504, 1396, 1350, 1250, 1034, 964 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.76 (3H, s), 4.70 (2H, d, *J* = 6.0 Hz), 6.33 (1H, dt, *J* = 6.0, 16.0 Hz), 6.45 (1H, d, *J* = 16.0 Hz), 6.81 (2H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 6.95-7.00 (3H, m), 7.11 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.14-7.20 (3H, m), 7.27-7.31 (4H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 53.7, 55.2, 113.8, 123.2, 124.9, 126.9, 127.5, 127.6, 128.0, 128.6, 128.7, 129.7, 131.4, 138.6, 145.3, 159.0, 167.7; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 343.1811. Calcd for C_{23H23}N₂O: (M+H)⁺ 343.1810.

N-Phenyl-*N*-((2*E*,4*E*)-5-phenylpenta-2,4-dien-1-yl)benzimidamide (1f):



64% yield as a yellow oil from N-((2*E*,4*E*)-5-phenylpenta-2,4-dien-1-yl)aniline **A** (preparation method was shown below) and benzonitrile.

IR (NaCl) 3314, 3059, 3024, 1587, 1568, 1494, 1447, 1393, 1359, 1179, 989 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.66 (2H, d, J = 6.0 Hz), 6.06 (1H, td, J = 6.0, 15.2 Hz), 6.35 (1H, dd, J = 10.4, 15.2 Hz), 6.47 (1H, d, J = 15.6 Hz), 6.77 (1H, dd, J = 10.4, 15.6 Hz), 6.97-7.00 (3H, m), 7.11-7.21 (6H, m), 7.26-7.36 (6H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 53.4, 125.0, 126.2, 126.8, 127.3, 127.6, 128.0, 128.47, 128.50, 128.7, 128.8, 129.7, 131.9, 132.3, 137.2, 138.5, 145.3, 167.7; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 339.1868. Calcd for C₂₄H₂₃N₂: (M+H)⁺ 339.1861.

Preparation of N-((2E,4E)-5-phenylpenta-2,4-dien-1-yl)aniline A:



To a 50 mL two-neck round-bottomed flask under a nitrogen atmosphere was added iodobenzene (0.95 mL, 8.53 mmol), (2*E*,4*E*)-5-phenylpenta-2,4-dien-1-

amine⁸ (1.629 g, 10.23 mmol), CuI (0.163 g, 0.85 mmol), *L*-proline (0.196 g, 1.71 mmol), and K_2CO_3 (2.358 g, 17.06 mmol) in DMSO (10 mL). The mixture was then heated to 85 °C. After 20 h, the mixture was cooled down to room temperature and quenched with pH 9 buffer (20 mL). The mixture was then extracted three times with diethyl ether, and the combined organic layers were washed with pH 9 buffer, water, brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. The crude material was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel; hexane:ethyl acetate = 95:5) to provide the aniline **A** (1.582 g, 6.72 mmol) in 79% yield as a yellow solid.

mp: 70-71 °C; IR (NaCl) 3420, 3021, 2926, 1601, 1504, 1447, 1429, 1317, 1254, 989 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.79 (1H, s br), 3.86 (2H, d, *J* = 5.6 Hz), 5.92 (1H, td, *J* = 5.6, 15.2 Hz), 6.42 (1H, dd, *J* = 10.4, 15.2 Hz), 6.51 (1H, d, *J* = 15.6 Hz), 6.64 (2H, d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 6.72 (1H, t, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 6.78 (1H, dd, *J* = 10.4, 15.6 Hz), 7.17-7.23 (3H, m), 7.30 (2H, t, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.37 (2H, d, *J* = 7.6 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 45.9, 113.0, 117.6, 126.3, 127.5, 128.3, 128.6, 129.2, 131.2, 131.9, 132.1, 137.2, 148.0; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 236.1434. Calcd for C₁₇H₁₈N: (M+H)⁺ 236.1439.

(E)-3,5-Difluoro-N-phenyl-N-(4-phenylbut-3-en-2-yl)benzimidamide (1g):⁴



62% yield as a yellow oil from (*E*)-*N*-(4-phenylbut-3-en-2-yl)aniline and 3,5-difluorobenzonitrile.

IR (NaCl) 3318, 3063, 3032, 2978, 1589, 1489, 1404, 1304, 1234, 1140, 972 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.38 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz), 5.59 (1H, s br), 6.34 (1H, dd, J = 6.4, 16.0 Hz), 6.51 (1H, d, J = 16.0 Hz), 6.59 (1H, tt, J = 2.4, 8.8 Hz), 6.79 (2H, d, J = 6.0 Hz), 7.00 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.08-7.25 (4H, m), 7.28-7.36 (4H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.8, 54.0, 103.9 (t, J = 25.2 Hz), 110.8 (dd, J = 7.4, 18.9 Hz), 126.4, 126.8, 127.5, 128.5, 128.6, 130.4, 130.5, 130.7, 136.9, 140.7, 142.2 (t, J = 8.8 Hz), 162.3 (dd, J = 12.4, 248.2 Hz), 165.7; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 363.1670. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₁N₂F₂: (M+H)⁺ 363.1673.

N-(3,3-Diphenylallyl)-*N*-phenylbenzimidamide (1h):⁴



67% yield as a sticky pale yellow oil from N-(3,3-diphenylallyl)aniline⁴ and benzonitrile.

IR (NaCl) 3310, 3055, 3032, 2940, 1589, 1566, 1497, 1443, 1396, 1180, 1142, 964 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.81 (2H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 6.42 (1H, t, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 6.85-6.91 (4H, m), 6.97 (1H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.08 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.14-7.29 (13H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 50.5, 124.8, 125.0, 127.1, 127.2, 127.3, 127.4, 127.7, 127.98, 128.00, 128.04, 128.6, 128.7, 129.6, 138.5, 139.1, 141.8, 143.8, 144.7, 167.9; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 389.2020. Calcd for C₂₈H₂₅N₂: (M+H)⁺ z 389.2018.

N-(3-Methylbut-2-en-1-yl)-*N*-phenylbenzimidamide (1i):⁴



57% yield as a yellow oil from *N*-(3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl)aniline⁹ and benzonitrile. IR (NaCl) 3010, 3055, 2924, 1674, 1566, 1498, 1396, 1234, 1180, 1142, 1026, 949 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.51 (3H, s), 1.69 (3H, d, *J* = 1.2 Hz), 4.53 (2H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 5.45 (1H, tq, *J* = 1.2, 6.4 Hz), 6.39 (1H, s br), 6.95-6.99 (3H, m), 7.09-7.18 (5H, m), 7.26-7.30 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.7, 25.6, 49.6, 120.5, 124.8, 127.1, 127.7, 127.9, 128.5, 128.6, 134.6, 138.7, 145.3, 167.8; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 265.1706. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₁N₂: (M+H)⁺ 265.1705.

N-(2-Cyclohexylideneethyl)-*N*-phenylbenzimidamide (1j):⁴



64% yield as a yellow solid from N-(2-cyclohexylideneethyl)aniline⁴ and benzonitrile.

mp: 38-39 °C; IR (NaCl) 3318, 2924, 2855, 1566, 1497, 1443, 1404, 1335, 1219, 1180 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.23-1.46 (6H, m), 1.97-2.06 (4H, m), 4.53 (2H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 5.41 (1H, t, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 6.96-6.99 (3H, m), 7.10-7.20 (5H, m), 7.27-7.31 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 26.6, 27.3, 28.3, 28.7, 36.9, 48.4, 116.7, 124.9, 127.5, 127.7, 127.9, 128.4, 128.6, 138.8, 142.9, 145.1, 167.9; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 305.2015. Calcd for C₂₁H₂₅N₂: (M+H)⁺ 305.2018.

N-(2-(Adamantan-2-ylidene)ethyl)-*N*-phenylbenzimidamide (1k):



75% yield as a white solid from N-(2-(adamantan-2-ylidene)ethyl)aniline **B** (preparation method was shown below) and benzonitrile.

mp: 95-96 °C; IR (NaCl) 3300, 3061, 2907, 2847, 1672, 1587, 1564, 1493, 1385, 1308, 1182, 1140, 959 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.31-1.34 (2H, m), 1.67-1.83 (10H, m), 2.35 (1H, m), 2.65 (1H, m), 4.51 (2H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 5.40 (1H, t, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 6.94-6.99 (3H, m), 7.10 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.15-7.17 (3H, m), 7.27-7.30 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 28.2, 32.1, 36.9, 38.5, 39.4, 40.3, 47.8, 111.6, 124.8, 127.6, 127.7, 127.8, 128.3, 128.5, 138.8, 144.9, 150.9, 167.9; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 357.2327. Calcd for C₂₅H₂₉N₂: (M+H)⁺ 357.2331.

Preparation of N-(2-adamantan-2-ylidene)ethyl)aniline B:



To a 50 mL two-neck round-bottomed flask under a nitrogen atmosphere was added 2-(adamantan-2-ylidene)acetaldehyde¹⁰ (2.505 g, 14.21 mmol), aniline (1.56 mL, 17.05 mmol) and anhydrous MgSO₄ (1.50 g, 12.46 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. The mixture was then filtered and washed with CH₂Cl₂. The filtrate was then concentrated to give the crude imine, which was dissolved in 15 mL

methanol. NaBH₄ (0.806 g, 21.32 mmol) was then added in four portions at room temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 0.5h after addition of the NaBH₄. The solvent was removed in vacuo and water (20 mL) was added. The mixture was then extracted with ethyl acetate and the combined organic layers were washed with brine, and then dried over MgSO₄. Removal of the solvents in vacuo gave the crude product, which was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel; hexane:ethyl acetate = 90:10) to give amine **B** (2.715 g, 10.72 mmol) in 75% yield as a yellow oil.

IR (NaCl) 3412, 3049, 2913, 2847, 1601, 1504, 1449, 1427, 1317, 1252, 1098 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.73-1.97 (12H, m), 2.38 (1H, m), 2.89 (1H, m), 3.53 (1H, s br), 3.68 (2H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 5.25 (1H, t, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 6.62 (2H, d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 6.69 (1H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.17 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 28.4, 32.4, 37.1, 39.0, 39.7, 40.3, 40.7, 112.9, 113.2, 117.2, 129.1, 148.5, 151.8; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 254.1910. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₄N: (M+H)⁺ 254.1909.

(E)-N-Phenyl-N-(3-phenylbut-2-en-1-yl)benzimidamide (11):⁴



10 (E/Z = 20:1) was obtained in 63% yield as a pale yellow oil from (*E*)-*N*-(3-phenylbut-2-en-1-yl)aniline (E/Z = 20:1)⁷ and benzonitrile.

IR (NaCl) 3310, 3032, 2924, 1589, 1566, 1498, 1443, 1396, 1180, 1150, 910 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.92 (3H, s), 4.75 (2H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 6.06 (1H, t, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 6.43 (1H, s br), 6.96-7.01 (3H, m), 7.10-7.22 (6H, m), 7.26-7.35 (6H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 15.8, 50.0, 124.0, 125.0, 125.7, 126.8, 127.2, 127.6, 127.96, 128.03, 128.6, 128.7, 137.1, 138.6, 143.2, 145.2, 167.9; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 327.1860. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₃N₂: (M+H)⁺ 327.1861.

(Z)-N-Phenyl-N-(3-phenylbut-2-en-1-yl)benzimidamide (1m):⁴



67% yield as a yellow oil from (*Z*)-*N*-(3-phenylbut-2-en-1-yl)aniline⁴ and benzonitrile. IR (NaCl) 3010, 3032, 2970, 1589, 1566, 1497, 1435, 1396, 1180, 1142, 910 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.01 (3H, s), 4.47 (2H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 5.82 (1H, t, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 6.01 (1H, s br), 6.80-7.82 (2H, m), 6.92-7.98 (3H, m), 7.07 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.13-7.27 (8H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 25.5, 50.3, 122.9, 124.8, 126.7, 127.1, 127.6, 127.8, 127.9, 128.0, 128.5, 128.7, 138.5, 139.5, 141.1, 144.9, 167.7; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 327.1858. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₃N₂: (M+H)⁺ 327.1861.

(E)-N-(2-Methyl-3-phenylallyl)-N-phenylbenzimidamide (1n):⁴



59% yield as a pale yellow oil from (*E*)-*N*-(2-methyl-3-phenylallyl)aniline⁴ and benzonitrile.

IR (NaCl) 3318, 3048, 3032, 2916, 1558, 1497, 1435, 1396, 1227, 1180, 1026, 949 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.96 (3H, s), 4.89 (2H, s), 6.50 (1H, s), 6.96-7.03 (3H, m), 7.12 (2H, d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.17-7.23 (6H, m), 7.29-7.35 (4H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 16.3, 58.3, 124.8, 126.0, 126.2, 126.4, 127.7, 128.0, 128.1, 128.6, 128.8, 128.9, 134.9, 138.0, 138.8, 145.6, 168.1; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 327.1864. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₃N₂: (M+H)⁺ 327.1861.

N-(Cyclohex-1-en-1-ylmethyl)-*N*-phenylbenzimidamide (10):⁴



53% yield as a pale yellow oil from N-(cyclohex-1-en-1-ylmethyl)aniline¹¹ and benzonitrile.

IR (NaCl) 3318, 2924, 2855, 1589, 1566, 1497, 1435, 1396, 1180, 964 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.53-1.67 (4H, m), 1.99-2.03 (4H, m), 4.45 (2H, s), 5.65-5.66 (1H, m), 6.94-6.97 (3H, m), 7.08-7.22 (5H, m), 7.29-7.31 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.4, 22.5, 25.0, 26.7, 56.8, 122.8, 124.5, 126.3, 127.7, 128.0, 128.4, 128.6, 134.0, 138.8, 145.8, 167.9; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 291.1860. Calcd for C₂₀H₂₃N₂: (M+H)⁺ 291.1861.

N-((3,4-Dihydronaphthalen-2-yl)methyl)-*N*-phenylbenzimidamide (1p):⁴



59% yield as a pale yellow oil from N-((3,4-dihydronaphthalen-2-yl)methyl)aniline¹² and benzonitrile.

IR (NaCl) 3318, 3032, 2932, 2886, 1566, 1497, 1450, 1396, 1304, 1180, 1142 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.38 (2H, dd, J = 8.0, 8.4 Hz), 2.81 (2H, dd, J = 8.0, 8.4 Hz), 4.76 (2H, s), 6.43 (1H, s), 6.93-7.01 (4H, m), 7.07-7.13 (5H, m), 7.18-7.23 (3H, m), 7.32-7.34 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 25.4, 27.8, 55.7, 123.7, 124.7, 125.8, 126.29, 126.30, 126.5, 127.1, 127.6, 128.1, 128.5, 128.8, 134.2, 134.8, 138.0, 138.7, 145.4, 168.1; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 339.1863. Calcd for C₂₄H₂₃N₂: (M+H)⁺ 339.1861.

N-(2-Cycloheptylidenepropyl)-*N*-phenylbenzimidamide (1q):



71% yield as a pale yellow oil from N-(2-cycloheptylidenepropyl)aniline **C** (preparation method was shown below) and benzonitrile.

Yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3318, 3059, 2918, 2851, 1587, 1574, 1495, 1445, 1396, 1175, 1136, 939 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.30-1.51 (8H, m), 1.77 (3H, s), 2.12-2.20 (4H, m), 4.62 (2H, s), 6.94-6.99 (3H, m), 7.09 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.16-7.18 (3H,

m), 7.28-7.30 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 16.0, 27.2, 27.5, 28.4, 29.0, 31.0, 32.0, 52.0, 124.8, 125.1, 127.5, 127.7, 127.9, 128.3, 128.5, 138.0, 139.1, 145.0; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 333.2340. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₉N₂: (M+H)⁺ 333.2331.

Preparation of N-(2-Cycloheptylidenepropyl)aniline C: Me DIBAL (2.5 equiv) Me MnO₂ (20 equiv) . CO₂Et CH₂Cl₂, -78 °C OH CH₂Cl₂, rt 1) PhNH₂ (1.5 equiv) MgSO₄ CH₂Cl₂, rt Me Me 2) NaBH₄ (1.5 equiv) =0 NHPh MeOH, rt С

To a 50 mL two-neck round-bottomed flask was added ethyl 2cycloheptylidenepropanoate¹³ (1.059 g, 5.40 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL). DIBAL (1M solution in toluene, 13.5 mL, 13.5 mmol) was added in a dropwise manner at -78 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 2 h and raised to 0 °C. The reaction was carefully quenched by 2M HCl and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layers were washed with saturated NaHCO₃ and water, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated. Removal of the solvents in vacuo gave the crude product, which was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel; hexane:ethyl acetate = 4:1) to give 2-cycloheptylidenepropan-1-ol (0.378 g, 2.45 mmol, not pure, contains some regioisomer 2-(cyclohept-1-en-1-yl)propan-1-ol, used directly for the next step) in 45% yield as a colorless oil.

To a 50 mL two-neck round-bottomed flask was added 2cycloheptylidenepropan-1-ol (0.378 g, 2.45 mmol) and MnO_2 (4.260 g, 49.0 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL). After stirring for 1h at room temperature, the solid was filtered through celite and washed with CH₂Cl₂. The filtrate was concentrated to afford the crude 2-cycloheptylidenepropanal, which was used for the next reductive amination step without further purification.

Aniline C was prepared in a similar way to aniline B from 2cycloheptylidenepropanal and aniline (1.5 equiv was used). Yield: 44% (two steps from 2-(cyclohept-1-en-1-yl)propan-1-ol); pale yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3418, 2920, 2851, 1601, 1504, 1443, 1425, 1315, 1250, 1179 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.51-1.60 (8H, m), 1.75 (3H, s), 2.25-2.34 (4H, m), 3.47 (1H, s br), 3.66 (2H, s), 6.60 (2H, d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 6.68 (1H, t, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 7.17 (2H, t, *J* = 8.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 17.3, 27.2, 28.3, 28.7, 29.1, 31.2, 32.2, 47.0, 112.6, 117.0, 125.4, 129.2, 138.5, 148.9; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 252.1735. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₃NNa: (M+Na)⁺ 252.1728.

4. Aminofluorination of alkenylamidines for the synthesis of 2-imidazolines 2





To a stirred solution of PhI[OCOC(*i*-Pr)₂Me]₂ (215.7 mg, 0.416 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (1.0 mL) was added a solution of *N*-cinnamyl-*N*-phenylbenzimidamide (**1a**) (92.8 mg, 0.297 mmol) in 2 mL CH₂Cl₂ and Et₃N•3HF (242 μ L, 1.485 mmol). The reaction mixture was then stirred for 20 h at room temperature under a N₂ atmosphere. The mixture was quenched with 2M NaOH solution. The organic compounds were then extracted twice with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic extracts were washed with 2M NaOH and brine, and finally dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was removed in vacuo to afford a crude residue, which was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel; hexane:ethyl acetate = 80:20 then hexane:ethyl acetate = 50:50) to provide **2a** (72.0 mg, 0.218 mmol) in 79% yield as well as aminooxygenation product **5a** (11.8 mg, 0.025 mmol) in 8% yield.

(S*)-4-((R*)-Fluoro(phenyl)methyl)-1,2-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole (2a):



Pale yellow solid; mp: 105-107 °C; IR (NaCl) 3061, 3030, 2953, 1614, 1593, 1574, 1495, 1447, 1387, 1292, 1244, 1146, 962 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.01-4.03 (2H, m), 4.64 (1H, dddd, J = 3.6, 4.4, 9.6, 23.6 Hz), 5.82 (1H, dd, J = 3.6, 47.2 Hz), 6.75-6.77 (2H, m), 6.99 (1H, tt, J = 1.2, 7.6 Hz), 7.14 (2H, tt, J = 2.0, 7.6 Hz),

7.25-7.42 (8H, m), 7.50-7.52 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 53.4 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz), 69.0 (d, *J* = 22.3 Hz), 93.9 (d, *J* = 177.4 Hz), 123.0, 123.8, 125.4 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 128.1, 128.2, 128.4, 128.7, 128.9, 130.1, 130.7, 137.6 (d, *J* = 20.0 Hz), 142.6, 163.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -195.5 (1F, dd, *J* = 23.7, 47.0 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 331.1611. Calcd for C₂₂H₂₀N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 331.1611.

(*R**)-((*S**)-1,2-Diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazol-4-yl)(phenyl)methyl 2isopropyl-2,3-dimethylbutanoate (5a):



8% yield from 1a, $PhI[OCOC(i-Pr)_2Me]_2$ (1.4 equiv) and $Et_3N\bullet 3HF$ (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

Yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3063, 2970, 1738, 1715, 1614, 1593, 1504, 1454, 1393, 1300, 1229, 1146, 910 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.79 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.81 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.84 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.85 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 1.01 (3H, s), 1.95-2.04 (2H, m), 4.04-4.13 (2H, m), 4.64 (1H, ddd, *J* = 4.0, 8.0, 10.8 Hz), 6.11 (1H, d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 6.70-6.72 (2H, m), 6.99 (1H, t, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 7.15 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.21-7.29 (3H, m), 7.31-7.46 (7H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.4, 17.3, 17.6, 18.2, 18.4, 32.7, 32.8, 52.8, 54.8, 68.7, 77.2, 122.9, 123.7, 126.9, 127.9, 128.0, 128.3, 128.7, 128.8, 130.0, 130.7, 138.5, 142.7, 162.9, 175.4; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 469.2857. Calcd for C₃₁H₃₇N₂O₂: (M+H)⁺ 469.2855.

 R^*)-((S^*)-1,2-Diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-imidazol-4-yl)(phenyl)methyl acetate (3a):⁸



18% yield from 1a, PhI(OAc)₂ (1.3 equiv) and Et₃N•3HF (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

Yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3040, 2940, 2886, 1736, 1643, 1597, 1497, 1412, 1304, 1234, 1026, 918 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.10 (3H, s), 3.86 (1H, dd, J = 6.0,

10.0 Hz), 4.16 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 10.8 Hz), 4.71 (1H, ddd, J = 4.0, 6.0, 10.8 Hz), 6.09 (1H, d, J = 4.0 Hz), 6.59-6.61 (2H, m), 6.98 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.09-7.13 (2H, m), 7.24-7.45 (10H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.0, 54.4, 67.3, 76.6, 122.8, 123.8, 126.6, 127.9, 128.1, 128.2, 128.6, 128.7, 130.1, 130.2, 137.1, 142.1, 163.3, 169.8; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 371.1763. Calcd for C₂₄H₂₃N₂O₂: (M+H)⁺ 371.1760.

(*S**)-1-Benzyl-4-((*R**)-fluoro(phenyl)methyl)-2-phenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole (2b):



70% yield from **1b**, $PhI[OCOC(i-Pr)_2Me]_2$ (1.4 equiv) and $Et_3N\cdot 3HF$ (5 equiv); reaction time: 24 h.

White solid; mp: 72-73 °C; IR (NaCl) 3065, 3030, 2928, 1614, 1593, 1574, 1495, 1454, 1410, 1360, 1300, 1246, 1136, 1028 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.37 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 11.2 Hz), 3.43 (1H, dd, J = 8.4, 10.0 Hz), 4.21 (1H, d, J = 16.0 Hz), 4.38 (1H, d, J = 16.0 Hz), 4.64 (1H, dddd, J = 3.6, 8.4, 11.2, 23.6 Hz), 5.76 (1H, dd, J = 3.6, 47.6 Hz), 7.21 (2H, d, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.25-7.43 (11H, m), 7.60-7.62 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 50.1 (d, J = 5.7 Hz), 52.4, 69.3 (d, J = 22.3 Hz), 94.1 (d, J = 176.7 Hz), 125.4 (d, J = 8.0 Hz), 126.8, 127.3, 128.0, 128.2, 128.3, 128.5, 128.6, 130.1, 130.6, 137.5, 137.7 (d, J = 20.1 Hz), 167.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ - 195.2 (1F, dd, J = 23.7, 47.4 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 345.1760. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₂N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 345.1767.

(*R**)-((*S**)-1-Benzyl-2-phenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazol-4-yl)(phenyl)methyl 2-isopropyl-2,3-dimethylbutanoate (5b):



9% yield from **1b**, $PhI[OCOC(i-Pr)_2Me]_2$ (1.4 equiv) and $Et_3N\bullet 3HF$ (5 equiv); reaction time: 24 h.

Yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3063, 2968, 2878, 1728, 1614, 1574, 1495, 1454, 1393, 1308, 1227 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.80 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.83 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.84 (6H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 1.04 (3H, s), 1.97-2.05 (2H, m), 3.43-3.51 (2H, m), 4.11 (1H, d, *J* = 16.0 Hz), 4.43 (1H, d, *J* = 16.0 Hz), 4.54 (1H, ddd, *J* = 4.8, 9.6, 9.6 Hz), 6.01 (1H, d, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 7.21 (2H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 7.24-7.43 (11H, m), 7.55-7.57 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.4, 17.46, 17.54, 18.3, 18.4, 32.72, 32.74, 52.2, 52.8, 53.1, 69.3, 77.4, 127.0, 127.1, 127.4, 127.8, 128.2, 128.3, 128.4, 128.7, 130.1, 130.8, 137.7, 138.7, 167.4, 175.3; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 483.3001. Calcd for C₃₂H₃₉N₂O₂: (M+H)⁺ 483.3012.

(*S**)-1-Allyl-4-((*R**)-fluoro(phenyl)methyl)-2-phenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole (2c):



64% yield from 1c, $PhI[OCOC(i-Pr)_2Me]_2$ (1.4 equiv) and $Et_3N\bullet 3HF$ (5 equiv); reaction time: 24 h.

Colorless oil; IR (NaCl) 3063, 2928, 1620, 1593, 1574, 1497, 1454, 1416, 1288, 1246, 991, 924 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.43 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 10.8 Hz), 3.49 (1H, dd, J = 8.4, 10.0 Hz), 3.59-3.76 (2H, m), 4.52 (1H, dddd, J = 3.6, 8.4, 10.8, 23.6 Hz), 5.17 (1H, dd, J = 1.2, 10.0 Hz), 5.21 (1H, dd, J = 1.6, 17.2 Hz), 5.73 (1H, tdd, J = 5.2, 10.0, 17.2 Hz), 5.77 (1H, dd, J = 3.6, 47.6 Hz), 7.29-7.44 (8H, m), 7.55-7.57 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 50.1 (d, J = 5.8 Hz), 51.2, 69.4 (d, J = 22.3 Hz), 94.2 (d, J = 176.5 Hz), 116.7, 125.4 (d, J = 8.0 Hz), 128.0, 128.1, 128.3, 128.4, 130.0, 130.8, 133.8, 137.9 (d, J = 20.2 Hz), 167.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ - 195.4 (1F, dd, J = 23.7, 47.4 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 295.1604. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₀N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 295.1611.

(*R**)-((*S**)-1-Allyl-2-phenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazol-4-yl)(phenyl)methyl 2isopropyl-2,3-dimethylbutanoate (5c):



8% yield from 1c, $PhI[OCOC(i-Pr)_2Me]_2$ (1.4 equiv) and $Et_3N\bullet 3HF$ (5 equiv); reaction time: 24 h.

Pale yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 2968, 2940, 1722, 1612, 1595, 1572, 1497, 1449, 1410, 1227, 1153, 1107, 926 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.81 (3H, d, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 0.84 (3H, d, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 0.86 (6H, d, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 1.05 (3H, s), 1.97-2.06 (2H, m), 3.48-3.58 (3H, m), 3.78 (1H, dddd, *J* = 1.2, 1.6, 5.2, 16.4 Hz), 4.52 (1H, ddd, *J* = 4.4, 8.8, 10.4 Hz), 5.16-5.24 (2H, m), 5.73 (1H, tdd, *J* = 5.2, 10.4, 17.2 Hz), 6.01 (1H, d, *J* = 4.4 Hz), 7.24-7.28 (1H, m), 7.31-7.41 (7H, m), 7.50-7.53 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.4, 17.47, 17.53, 18.3, 18.4, 32.7, 32.8, 51.8, 52.1, 52.8, 69.2, 77.5, 116.8, 127.1, 127.8, 128.2 (overlapped), 128.3, 130.0, 130.8, 134.0, 138.9, 167.4, 175.4; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 433.2851. Calcd for C₂₈H₃₇N₂O₂: (M+H)⁺ 433.2855.

(*S**)-4-((*R**)-(4-Chlorophenyl)fluoromethyl)-1,2-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole (2d):



71% yield from 1d, $PhI[OCOC(i-Pr)_2Me]_2$ (1.4 equiv) and $Et_3N\cdot 3HF$ (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

White solid; mp: 152-153 °C; IR (NaCl) 3021, 2934, 2880, 1614, 1591, 1568, 1485, 1385, 1314, 1287, 1240, 1148, 1084, 1045, 1015 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.99 (1H, dd, *J* = 7.6, 9.6 Hz), 4.06 (1H, dd, *J* = 9.6, 10.4 Hz), 4.59 (1H, dddd, *J* = 4.4, 7.6, 10.4, 21.6 Hz), 5.71 (1H, dd, *J* = 4.4, 47.2 Hz), 6.75 (2H, d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.00 (1H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.15 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.27 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.34-7.38 (5H, m),

7.48-7.50 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 53.8 (d, J = 5.6 Hz), 68.8 (d, J = 22.8 Hz), 93.6 (d, J = 177.4 Hz), 122.9, 123.8, 127.0 (d, J = 7.9 Hz), 128.1, 128.6, 128.75, 128.84, 130.2, 130.6, 134.2, 136.2 (d, J = 20.5 Hz), 142.6, 163.7; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -193.3 (1F, dd, J = 20.7, 47.0 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 365.1221. Calcd for C₂₂H₁₉N₂FCl: (M+H)⁺ 365.1221.

 (R^*) -(4-Chlorophenyl)((S^*)-1,2-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-imidazol-4-yl)methyl 2-isopropyl-2,3-dimethylbutanoate (5d):



8% yield from 1d, $PhI[OCOC(i-Pr)_2Me]_2$ (1.4 equiv) and $Et_3N\bullet 3HF$ (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

Pale yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 2968, 2880, 1726, 1593, 1574, 1495, 1393, 1287, 1225, 1146, 1051 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.80 (3H, d, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 0.81 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.84 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.85 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 1.01 (3H, s), 1.96-2.04 (2H, m), 4.00 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.0, 9.6 Hz), 4.11 (1H, dd, *J* = 9.6, 10.4 Hz), 4.61 (1H, ddd, *J* = 4.8, 8.0, 10.4 Hz), 6.00 (1H, d, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 6.69 (2H, d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.00 (1H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.15 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.23-7.29 (3H, m), 7.31-7.37 (4H, m), 7.42-7.44 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.4, 17.4, 17.6, 18.3, 18.4, 32.7, 32.8, 52.9, 55.2, 68.4, 76.7, 122.9, 123.8, 128.0, 128.5 (overlapped), 128.7, 128.8, 130.1, 130.7, 133.8, 137.0, 142.6, 163.1, 175.4; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 503.2461. Calcd for C₃₁H₃₆N₂O₂Cl: (M+H)⁺ 503.2465.

(*S**)-4-((*R**)-Fluoro(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl)-1,2-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole (2e):



62% yield dr = 7.1:1 (the major diastereomer could be recrystallized from hexane/CH₂Cl₂) from 1e, PhI[OCOC(*i*-Pr)₂Me]₂ (1.4 equiv) and Et₃N•3HF (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

The major diastereomer:

White solid; mp: 157-158 °C; IR (NaCl) 3063, 2943, 2886, 1614, 1591, 1514, 1495, 1385, 1287, 1250, 1177, 1144, 1036 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.78 (3H, s), 4.00-4.08 (2H, m), 4.62 (1H, dddd, J = 4.0, 8.4, 10.0, 21.6 Hz), 5.71 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 47.2 Hz), 6.75 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 6.91 (2H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 6.97 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.13 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.26 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.32-7.34 (3H, m), 7.50 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 53.8 (d, J = 5.6 Hz), 55.2, 68.9 (d, J = 23.3 Hz), 94.0 (d, J = 175.7 Hz), 113.9, 122.8, 123.6, 127.0 (d, J = 7.3 Hz), 128.0, 128.6, 128.8, 129.7 (d, J = 20.2 Hz), 130.0, 130.8, 142.7, 159.5, 163.3; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -190.3 (1F, dd, J = 21.4, 47.0 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 361.1714. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₂N₂OF: (M+H)⁺ 361.1716.

(*R**)-((*S**)-1,2-Diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazol-4-yl)(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl 2-isopropyl-2,3-dimethylbutanoate (5e):



15.6% yield (major diastereomer, two diastereomers can be separated, overall yield 21%, dr = 2.8:1) from 1e, PhI[OCOC(*i*-Pr)₂Me]₂ (1.4 equiv) and Et₃N•3HF (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

Sticky brown oil; IR (NaCl) 3063, 2968, 1715, 1614, 1593, 1514, 1495, 1393, 1304, 1250, 1177, 1146 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.80 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.83 (3H, d, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 0.87 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.89 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 1.04 (3H, s), 1.96-2.08 (2H, m), 3.73 (3H, s), 3.76 (1H, dd, *J* = 6.0, 10.0 Hz), 4.16 (1H, dd, *J* = 10.0, 10.4 Hz), 4.67 (1H, ddd, *J* = 4.8, 6.0, 10.4 Hz), 5.95 (1H, d, *J* = 4.8 Hz), 6.43-6.45 (2H, m), 6.76-6.79 (2H, m), 6.92 (1H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.03-7.07 (2H, m), 7.22-7.26 (2H, m), 7.31-7.43 (5H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.4, 17.36, 17.42, 18.3, 18.4, 32.6, 32.7, 52.7, 55.0, 55.2, 67.1, 76.0, 113.2, 122.6, 123.4, 128.0, 128.4, 128.8, 128.9, 129.1, 130.0, 130.9, 142.4, 159.3, 162.8, 175.4; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 499.2966. Calcd for C₃₂H₃₉N₂O₃: (M+H)⁺ 499.2961.

(*S**)-((*S**)-1,2-Diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazol-4-yl)(4-methoxyphenyl)methyl 2-isopropyl-2,3-dimethylbutanoate (2e'):



5.6% yield (minor diastereomer, two diastereomers can be separated, overall yield 21%, dr = 2.8:1) from 1e, PhI[OCOC(*i*-Pr)₂Me]₂ (1.4 equiv) and Et₃N•3HF (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

Sticky brown oil; IR (NaCl) 3063, 2968, 1722, 1614, 1593, 1495, 1393, 1302, 1250, 1229, 1146, 1034 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.79 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.80 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.83 (3H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 0.85 (3H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 1.00 (3H, s), 1.94-2.03 (2H, m), 3.78 (3H, s), 4.04-4.14 (2H, m), 4.62 (1H, ddd, *J* = 4.4, 8.0, 10.4 Hz), 6.03 (1H, d, *J* = 4.4 Hz), 6.70 (2H, d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 6.85 (2H, d, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 6.98 (1H, t, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 7.14 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.25 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.32-7.34 (3H, m), 7.44-7.46 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.4, 17.4, 17.6, 18.3, 18.4, 32.7, 32.8, 52.8, 55.1, 55.2, 68.7, 77.2, 113.7, 122.8, 123.6, 128.0, 128.3, 128.7, 128.8, 130.0, 130.7, 130.9, 142.8, 159.2, 162.9, 175.5; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 499.2969. Calcd for C₃₂H₃₉N₂O₃: (M+H)⁺ 499.2961.

(*S**)-4-((*R**,*E*)-1-Fluoro-3-phenylallyl)-1,2-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole (2f):



62% yield, dr = 2.0:1 (as an inseparable mixture) from **1f**, $PhI[OCOC(i-Pr)_2Me]_2$ (1.4 equiv) and $Et_3N\bullet 3HF$ (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

Yellow solid; mp: 109-110 °C; IR (NaCl) 3026, 2940, 1593, 1574, 1495, 1447, 1387, 1302, 1285, 1250, 1144, 974 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.00 (1H×0.33, dd, J = 6.4, 10.0 Hz, 4.06 (1H×0.67, dd, J = 7.6, 9.6 Hz), 4.13-4.19 (1H×0.33+1H×0.67, m), 4.48 (1H×0.67, dddd, J = 4.4, 7.6, 10.8, 20.4 Hz), 4.66 (1H×0.33, dddd, J = 4.8, 6.0, 10.8, 13.2 Hz), 5.30 (1H×0.33, ddd, J = 4.8, 5.6, 46.8 Hz), 5.34 (1H×0.67, ddd, J = 4.4, 4.8, 48.4 Hz), 6.28-6.40 (1H×0.33+1H×0.67, m), 6.71 (2H×0.33, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 6.76-6.81 (1H×0.33+3H×0.67, m), 6.94-7.00 (1H×0.33+1H×0.67, m), 7.09 (2H×0.33, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.15 (2H×0.67, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.21-7.43 (8H×0.33+6H×0.67, m), 7.42 (2H×0.67, d, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.47 (2H×0.33, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.52 (2H×0.67, d, J = 7.2 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 54.1 (d, J = 5.1 Hz), 54.4 (d, J = 2.4 Hz), 66.8 (d, J = 24.6 Hz), 67.7 (d, J = 22.2 Hz), 93.5 (d, J = 172.0 Hz), 93.6 (d, J = 174.6 Hz), 122.9, 123.2 (d, J = 18.9 Hz), 123.7, 124.6 (d, J = 17.8 Hz), 126.7, 128.1, 128.5, 128.6, 128.68, 128.72, 128.75, 128.8, 130.1, 130.7, 132.9 (d, J = 11.3 Hz), 134.4 (d, J = 11.9 Hz), 135.9, 136.0, 142.2, 142.6, 163.6, 163.7; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -190.5 (1F×0.67, ddd, J = 18.4, 18.4, 47.8 Hz), -184.4 (1F×0.33, ddd, J = 12.4, 13.2, 46.2 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 357.1765. Calcd for C₂₄H₂₂N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 357.1767.

(*R**,*E*)-1-((*S**)-1,2-Diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazol-4-yl)-3-phenylallyl 2isopropyl-2,3-dimethylbutanoate (5f):



8% yield (major diastereomer, two diastereomers can be separated, overall yield 14%, dr = 1.3:1) from **1f**, PhI[OCOC(*i*-Pr)₂Me]₂ (1.4 equiv) and Et₃N•3HF (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

Sticky yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3061, 2970, 2878, 1732, 1715, 1599, 1504, 1454, 1385, 1300, 1231, 1146, 1051, 966, 910 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.80 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.83 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.85 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.89 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.99 (3H, s), 1.93-2.04 (2H, m), 4.07 (1H, dd, *J* = 8.0, 9.2 Hz), 4.19 (1H, dd, *J* = 9.2, 11.2 Hz), 4.57 (1H, ddd, *J* = 3.6, 8.0, 11.2 Hz), 5.80 (1H, dd, *J* = 3.6, 7.2 Hz), 6.22 (1H, dd, *J* = 7.2, 16.0 Hz), 6.74-6.79 (3H, m), 6.99 (1H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.15 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.24-7.38 (8H, m), 7.47-7.50 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.4, 17.3, 17.7, 18.3, 18.5, 32.4, 32.8, 52.8, 55.0, 67.3, 75.9, 122.7, 123.6, 125.3, 126.6, 128.0, 128.1, 128.5, 128.7, 128.8, 130.0, 130.9, 134.0, 136.3, 142.7, 162.9, 175.4; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 495.3018. Calcd for C₃₃H₃₉N₂O₂: (M+H)⁺ 495.3012.

(*S**,*E*)-1-((*S**)-1,2-Diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazol-4-yl)-3-phenylallyl 2isopropyl-2,3-dimethylbutanoate (5f'):



6% yield (minor diastereomer, two diastereomers can be separated, overall yield 14%, dr = 1.3:1) from **1f**, PhI[OCOC(*i*-Pr)₂Me]₂ (1.4 equiv) and Et₃N•3HF (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

Sticky yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3026, 2968, 2878, 1721, 1593, 1572, 1497, 1389, 1298, 1229, 1146, 1123, 968 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.81-0.84 (9H, m), 0.94 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 1.01 (3H, s), 1.94-2.04 (2H, m), 3.89 (1H, dd, *J* = 6.0, 9.6 Hz), 4.24 (1H, dd, *J* = 9.6, 10.8 Hz), 4.58 (1H, ddd, *J* = 4.0, 6.0, 10.8 Hz), 5.69 (1H, dd, *J* = 4.0, 7.6 Hz), 6.32 (1H, dd, *J* = 7.6, 16.0 Hz), 6.69 (2H, d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 6.79 (1H, d, *J* = 16.0 Hz), 6.96 (1H, t, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 7.10 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.20-7.29 (5H, m), 7.33-7.37 (3H, m), 7.46-7.48 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.4, 17.3, 17.6, 18.3, 18.4, 32.4, 32.8, 52.8, 55.0, 66.6, 75.6, 122.5, 123.4, 124.0, 126.7, 127.8, 128.1,

128.4, 128.6, 128.7, 130.1, 131.0, 134.7, 136.4, 142.3, 163.2, 175.5; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 495.3008. Calcd for $C_{33}H_{39}N_2O_2$: $(M+H)^+$ 495.3012.

(4*S**,5*R**)-2-(3,5-Difluorophenyl)-4-((*R**)-fluoro(phenyl)methyl)-5-methyl-1-phenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole (2g):



60.3% yield of the major diastereomer (the minor diastereomer was mixed with **5g**, and overall yield of **2g** was 69%, with dr = 7.2:1 determined by crude ¹H NMR) from **1g**, PhI[OCOC(*i*-Pr)₂Me]₂ (1.4 equiv) and Et₃N•3HF (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h. Yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3086, 3067, 2968, 2924, 1614, 1587, 1495, 1435, 1385, 1329, 1233, 1121, 1063, 1030, 989, 868 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.14 (3H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 3.99 (1H, dq, *J* = 6.4, 6.4 Hz), 4.16 (1H, ddd, *J* = 3.6, 6.4, 23.6 Hz), 5.82 (1H, dd, *J* = 3.6, 47.2 Hz), 6.75 (1H, tt, *J* = 2.4, 8.8 Hz), 6.89 (2H, d, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 7.04-7.06 (2H, m), 7.14 (1H, t, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 7.24 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.30-7.41 (5H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.0, 61.8 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz), 77.7 (d, *J* = 21.9 Hz), 93.6 (d, *J* = 177.2 Hz), 105.4 (t, *J* = 25.2 Hz), 112.1 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 19.3 Hz), 125.3 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz), 125.8, 126.0, 128.2, 128.4, 129.3, 134.2 (t, *J* = 9.9 Hz), 136.9 (d, *J* = 20.1 Hz), 142.3, 162.1 (t, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 162.4 (dd, *J* = 12.4, 247.3 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -196.1 (1F, dd, *J* = 23.7, 46.6 Hz), -109.2 (2F, m); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 381.1573. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₀N₂F₃: (M+H)⁺ 381.1579.

 $(R^*)-((4S^*,5R^*)-2-(3,5-Difluorophenyl)-5-methyl-1-phenyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-imidazol-4-yl)(phenyl)methyl 2-isopropyl-2,3-dimethylbutanoate (5g) & (4S^*,5S^*)-2-(3,5-difluorophenyl)-4-((R^*)-fluoro(phenyl)methyl)-5-methyl-1-phenyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-imidazole (2g'):$



Inseparable mixture of **5g** (major diastereomer of aminooxygenation product: the minor diastereomer was mixed with unidentified impurity, which was not characterized) and **2g'** (minor diastereomer of aminofluorination product, partially mixed with other unidentified impurity), **5g**:**2g'** = 2.9:1, contains 14.1% yield of **5g** and 4.9% of **2g'**, made from **1g**, PhI[OCOC(*i*-Pr)₂Me]₂ (1.4 equiv) and Et₃N•3HF (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

Brown oil; IR (NaCl) 3088, 2970, 2880, 1728, 1587, 1495, 1454, 1435, 1393, 1329, 1227, 1123, 989, 910, 868 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.82 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz), 0.84 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz), 0.88 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz), 0.90 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz), 1.07 (3H, s), 1.16 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz), 1.41 (3H × 0.35, dd, J = 2.0, 6.8 Hz), 1.98-2.09 (2H, m), 4.05 (1H, dq, J = 6.4, 7.2 Hz), 4.19 (1H, dd, J = 4.4, 7.2 Hz), 4.48 (1H × 0.35, dq, J = 6.8, 9.2 Hz), 4.66 (1H × 0.35, ddd, J = 9.2, 9.2, 19.2 Hz), 5.69 (1H × 0.35, dd, J =9.2, 46.4 Hz), 6.03 (1H, d, J = 4.4 Hz), 6.71-6.75 (3H + 1H × 0.35, m), 6.86 (2H × 0.35, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.91-6.98 (2H + 2H × 0.35, m), 7.09-7.13 (1H + 1H × 0.35, m), 7.17-7.44 (7H + 5H × 0.35, m), 7.52 (2H × 0.35, d, J = 7.6 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 14.3 (d, J = 3.3 Hz), 14.4, 17.3, 17.6, 18.2, 18.4, 21.9, 32.7, 32.9, 52.8, 63.0, 63.7, 71.3 (d, J = 27.6 Hz), 77.1, 77.2, 92.8 (d, J = 170.2 Hz), 105.3 (t, J = 25.2 Hz), 105.4 (t, J = 25.2 Hz), 112.0 (dd, J = 7.6, 19.3 Hz), 124.8, 125.3, 125.5, 125.8, 126.7 (d, J = 6.8 Hz), 127.1, 128.0, 128.2, 128.3, 128.6 (d, J = 1.8 Hz), 129.1, 129.2, 134.3 (t, J = 9.9 Hz), 137.5, 138.4 (d, J = 18.9 Hz), 140.8, 141.9, 161.2 (t, J = 3.2 Hz), 162.2 $(dd, J = 12.4, 247.1 \text{ Hz}), 162.3 (dd, J = 12.4, 247.4 \text{ Hz}), 175.4; {}^{19}\text{F} \text{ NMR} (376 \text{ MHz}), 175.$ CDCl₃) δ -176.5 (1F × 0.35, dd, J = 7.9, 46.2 Hz), -109.3 (2F, dd, J = 7.5, 7.9 Hz), -109.2 (2F \times 0.35, dd, J = 7.5, 7.9 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 519.2817. Calcd for $C_{32}H_{37}N_2O_2F_2$: (M+H)⁺ 519.2823; Found: m/z 381.1579. Calcd for $C_{23}H_{20}N_2F_3$: $(M+H)^+$ 381.1579.

4-(Fluorodiphenylmethyl)-1,2-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole (2h):



83% yield from **1h**, PhI(OPiv)₂ (1.3 equiv) and Et₃N•3HF (2 equiv); reaction time: 6 h.

White solid; mp: 164-166 °C; IR (NaCl) 3055, 3028, 2951, 1591, 1566, 1495, 1477, 1447, 1393, 1306, 1271, 1130, 1030, 970 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.92 (1H, dd, J = 6.4, 10.4 Hz), 4.28 (1H, dd, J = 10.4, 10.8 Hz), 5.31 (1H, ddd, J = 6.4, 10.8, 16.8 Hz), 6.46 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.90 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.02 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.17-7.29 (7H, m), 7.35 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.40-7.42 (2H, m), 7.49 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.66 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 55.0 (d, J = 4.9 Hz), 69.9 (d, J = 24.7 Hz), 99.1 (d, J = 178.4 Hz), 123.0, 123.6, 126.5 (d, J = 9.0 Hz), 126.6 (d, J = 8.4 Hz), 127.46, 127.52, 127.9 (d, J = 1.8 Hz), 128.0, 128.2, 128.4, 128.9, 129.9, 130.8, 140.5 (d, J = 23.9 Hz), 142.4 (d, J = 21.5 Hz), 142.6, 163.5; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -155.5 (1F, m); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 407.1922. Calcd for C₂₈H₂₄N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 407.1924.

4-(2-Fluoropropan-2-yl)-1,2-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole (2i):



73% yield from 1i, $PhI(OPiv)_2$ (1.3 equiv) and Et_3N •3HF (2 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

Brown solid; mp: 98-99 °C; IR (NaCl) 3061, 2980, 2936, 1593, 1572, 1495, 1385, 1300, 1263, 1142, 928 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.43 (3H, d, J = 21.6 Hz), 1.53 (3H, d, J = 21.6 Hz), 3.98 (1H, dd, J = 7.2, 9.6 Hz), 4.18 (1H, dd, J = 9.6, 10.4 Hz), 4.26 (1H, ddd, J = 7.2, 10.4, 11.6 Hz), 6.78 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 6.99 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.15 (2H, dd, J = 7.6, 8.0 Hz), 7.27 (2H, dd, J = 7.2, 7.6 Hz), 7.35 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.50 (2H, d, J = 7.2 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.9 (d, J = 23.9 Hz), 25.3 (d, J = 23.2 Hz), 54.5 (d, J = 4.6 Hz), 71.2 (d, J = 24.3 Hz), 96.2 (d, J =

168.5 Hz), 122.8, 123.6, 128.1, 128.7 (overlapped), 130.0, 130.9, 142.6, 163.0; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -149.2 (1F, sepd, J = 12.4, 21.4 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 283.1608. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₀N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 283.1611.

4-(1-Fluorocyclohexyl)-1,2-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole (2j):



87% yield from 1j, $PhI(OPiv)_2$ (1.3 equiv) and $Et_3N \cdot 3HF$ (2 equiv); reaction time: 14 h. When this reaction was carried out using 4.00 mmol 1j (1.218 g), the corresponding product 2j (3.37 mmol, 1.088 g) was obtained in 84% after 24h.

White solid; mp: 141-142 °C; IR (NaCl) 3061, 2934, 2857, 1614, 1593, 1574, 1495, 1385, 1350, 1302, 1271, 1144, 1024, 991 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.22-1.31 (1H, m), 1.44-1.89 (8H, m), 2.04-2.07 (1H, m), 4.00 (1H, dd, J = 7.6, 9.6 Hz), 4.14 (1H, dd, J = 9.6, 10.8 Hz), 4.26 (1H, ddd, J = 7.6, 10.8, 14.4 Hz), 6.78 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.98 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.15 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.27 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.35 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.49-7.51 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.4 (d, J = 1.6 Hz), 21.5 (d, J = 1.8 Hz), 25.3, 30.1 (d, J = 22.1 Hz), 33.2 (d, J = 21.6 Hz), 54.0 (d, J = 4.8 Hz), 71.0 (d, J = 24.1 Hz), 96.6 (d, J = 173.4 Hz), 122.7, 123.5, 128.1, 128.7, 128.8, 130.0, 131.2, 142.8, 162.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -169.4 (1F, m); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 323.1926. Calcd for C₂₁H₂₄N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 323.1924.

4-(2-Fluoroadamantan-2-yl)-1,2-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole (2k):



95% yield from 1k, PhI(OPiv)₂ (1.3 equiv) and Et₃N•3HF (2 equiv); reaction time: 21 h.

White solid; mp: 130-131 °C; IR (NaCl) 3011, 2913, 2862, 1614, 1593, 1574, 1495, 1454, 1385, 1315, 1269, 1138, 970 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.60-1.76

(4H, m), 1.84-1.91 (6H, m), 2.10-2.19 (3H, m), 2.81 (1H, m), 3.93 (1H, dd, J = 8.4, 8.8 Hz), 4.15 (1H, ddd, J = 2.0, 8.8, 10.8 Hz), 4.82 (1H, ddd, J = 8.4, 10.8, 29.6 Hz), 6.79-6.81 (2H, m), 6.95 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.11-7.15 (2H, m), 7.22-7.34 (3H, m), 7.51-7.53 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 27.0, 27.1, 32.4 (d, J = 19.6 Hz), 32.97 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 33.00 (d, J = 3.2 Hz), 34.0 (d, J = 19.2 Hz), 34.7 (d, J = 8.4 Hz), 35.0 (d, J = 7.6 Hz), 37.8, 53.6 (d, J = 5.8 Hz), 65.8 (d, J = 23.1 Hz), 99.7 (d, J = 182.8 Hz), 122.9, 123.3, 128.0, 128.6, 128.9, 129.7, 131.3, 143.2, 162.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -168.5 (1F, d, J = 29.7 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 375.2241. Calcd for C₂₅H₂₈N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 375.2237.

(S*)-4-((R*)-1-Fluoro-1-phenylethyl)-1,2-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole (2l):



71% yield, dr = >20:1 (the major diastereomer could be recrystallized from hexane/CH₂Cl₂) from **11** (E/Z = 20:1), PhI(OPiv)₂ (1.3 equiv) and Et₃N•3HF (2 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

Colorless crystal (CCDC-1409623); mp: 143-144 °C; IR (NaCl) 3063, 3028, 2949, 1591, 1572, 1495, 1447, 1381, 1302, 1263, 1140, 1072, 901 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.91 (3H, d, J = 22.8 Hz), 3.77 (1H, dd, J = 7.6, 10.0 Hz), 3.94 (1H, dd, J = 10.0, 10.8 Hz), 4.62 (1H, ddd, J = 7.6, 10.8, 23.6 Hz), 6.71 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.94 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.10 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.25-7.43 (8H, m), 7.54 (2H, d, J = 7.2 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.4 (d, J = 25.0 Hz), 54.4 (d, J = 4.8 Hz), 71.6 (d, J = 22.8 Hz), 97.8 (d, J = 178.2 Hz), 122.9, 123.5, 124.4 (d, J = 9.9 Hz), 127.4, 128.1, 128.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz), 128.6, 128.8, 130.0, 131.0, 142.8, 143.1 (d, J = 21.4 Hz), 163.3; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -165.5 (1F, qd, J = 22.6, 22.9 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 345.1774. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₂N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 345.1767.

(*S**)-4-((*S**)-1-Fluoro-1-phenylethyl)-1,2-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole (2m):



68% yield from 1m, PhI(OPiv)₂ (1.3 equiv) and Et₃N•3HF (2 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

White solid; mp: 137-138 °C; IR (NaCl) 3061, 2980, 2936, 1591, 1568, 1495, 1447, 1393, 1302, 1263, 1175, 1028, 891 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.96 (3H, d, *J* = 24.0 Hz), 3.78 (1H, dd, *J* = 5.6, 10.0 Hz), 4.13 (1H, dd, *J* = 10.0, 10.4 Hz), 4.65 (1H, ddd, *J* = 5.6, 7.6, 10.4 Hz), 6.25-6.27 (2H, m), 6.87 (1H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 6.95-6.98 (2H, m), 7.18-7.32 (6H, m), 7.36-7.44 (4H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 25.4 (d, *J* = 22.2 Hz), 54.6 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 71.8 (d, *J* = 28.7 Hz), 97.4 (d, *J* = 173.2 Hz), 123.0, 123.7, 125.4 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz), 127.4, 127.5 (d, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 128.0, 128.3, 128.6, 129.9, 130.7, 140.1 (d, *J* = 21.6 Hz), 142.1, 163.7; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -152.0 (1F, dq, *J* = 7.5, 24.1 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 345.1764. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₂N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 345.1767.

(*S**)-4-((*R**)-Fluoro(phenyl)methyl)-4-methyl-1,2-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole (2n):



63% yield from 1n, PhI(OPiv)₂ (1.3 equiv) and Et₃N•3HF (2 equiv); reaction time: 24 h.

White solid; mp: 81-82 °C; IR (NaCl) 2938, 2882, 1612, 1593, 1574, 1495, 1450, 1385, 1366, 1315, 1283, 1128, 1015 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.37 (3H, d, J = 0.8 Hz), 3.73 (1H, dd, J = 2.0, 9.6 Hz), 4.22 (1H, dd, J = 0.8, 9.6 Hz), 5.53 (1H, d, J = 45.2 Hz), 6.70 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.98 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.14 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.28 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.32-7.44 (6H, m), 7.50-7.52 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.9 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 60.5 (d, J = 4.7 Hz), 70.9 (d, J = 21.8 Hz), 97.0 (d, J = 178.8 Hz), 122.8, 123.6, 126.8 (d, J = 8.0 Hz), 127.9, 128.1, 128.3, 128.7,

128.9, 130.1, 130.8, 136.6 (d, J = 21.0 Hz), 142.7, 161.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -186.0 (1F, d, J = 45.1 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 345.1771. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₂N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 345.1767.

(5*S**,6*R**)-6-Fluoro-2,3-diphenyl-1,3-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-1-ene (20):



56% yield from **10**, $PhI[OCOC(i-Pr)_2Me]_2$ (1.4 equiv) and $Et_3N\cdot 3HF$ (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

Sticky yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3061, 2938, 2862, 1612, 1593, 1572, 1495, 1447, 1393, 1306, 1146, 1028 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.26-1.62 (3H, m), 1.70-1.87 (4H, m), 2.08-2.16 (1H, m), 3.75 (1H, dd, J = 2.0, 9.6 Hz), 4.11 (1H, d, J = 9.6 Hz), 4.66 (1H, ddd, J = 4.0, 9.6, 48.4 Hz), 6.78 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.97 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.14 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.25-7.28 (2H, m), 7.34 (1H, tt, J = 1.2, 7.6 Hz), 7.49-7.52 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.6, 22.4 (d, J = 8.7 Hz), 28.6 (d, J = 18.8 Hz), 36.1, 58.6, 71.3 (d, J = 17.8 Hz), 94.4 (d, J = 177.8 Hz), 122.5, 123.3, 128.1, 128.6, 128.9, 129.9, 131.0, 143.0, 161.2; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -186.4 (1F, m); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 309.1773. Calcd for C₂₀H₂₂N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 309.1767.

(5*S**,6*R**)-2,3-Diphenyl-1,3-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-1-en-6-yl 2-isopropyl-2,3dimethylbutanoate (50):



3% yield from 10, $PhI[OCOC(i-Pr)_2Me]_2$ (1.4 equiv) and $Et_3N\bullet 3HF$ (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

Colorless oil; IR (NaCl) 2965, 2938, 2862, 1715, 1593, 1573, 1495, 1454, 1389, 1310, 1233, 1150 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.73 (3H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 0.74 (3H, d, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 0.80 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.84 (3H, d, *J* = 6.8 Hz), 0.92 (3H, s), 1.26-1.94 (9H, m), 2.18-2.22 (1H, m), 3.78 (1H, d, *J* = 9.2 Hz), 4.18 (1H, d, *J* = 9.2 Hz), 5.01 (1H, dd, *J* = 4.4, 10.8 Hz), 6.79 (2H, d, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 6.98 (1H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.16 (2H,

t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.26 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.35 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.46-7.48 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.4, 17.0, 17.7, 18.2, 18.4, 21.7, 23.4, 28.5, 32.2, 32.7, 36.6, 37.8, 52.6, 58.9, 70.9, 122.4, 123.2, 128.0, 128.6, 128.87, 128.90, 131.1, 143.0, 160.4, 175.3; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 447.3008. Calcd for C₂₉H₃₉N₂O₂: (M+H)⁺ 447.3012.

(1'*R*,2'*S*)-1'-Fluoro-1,2-diphenyl-1,3',4',5-tetrahydro-1'*H*-spiro[imidazole-4,2'-naphthalene] (2p):



90% yield from 1p, PhI[OCOC(*i*-Pr)₂Me]₂ (1.4 equiv) and Et₃N•3HF (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

White solid; mp: 131-132 °C; IR (NaCl) 3017, 2934, 1611, 1591, 1570, 1495, 1456, 1395, 1308, 1271 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 2.14 (1H, ddd, J = 5.6, 6.0, 13.6 Hz), 2.25 (1H, ddd, J = 6.4, 7.6, 13.6 Hz), 2.93 (1H, ddd, J = 6.0, 6.4, 16.4 Hz), 3.13 (1H, ddd, J = 5.6, 7.6, 16.4 Hz), 3.87 (1H, d, J = 9.6 Hz), 4.17 (1H, d, J = 9.6 Hz), 5.57 (1H, d, J = 51.6 Hz), 6.77 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 6.95 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.13 (2H, t, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.16-7.28 (5H, m), 7.35 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.47 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.52 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 25.4, 31.5 (d, J = 2.2 Hz), 58.8 (d, J = 5.0 Hz), 69.7 (d, J = 18.1 Hz), 92.9 (d, J = 176.2 Hz), 122.4, 123.3, 126.3, 128.2, 128.50, 128.53, 128.6, 128.9, 129.0, 130.1, 131.0, 133.2 (d, J = 18.0 Hz), 136.4 (d, J = 4.0 Hz), 142.7, 162.1; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -179.4 (1F, d, J = 51.5 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 357.1772. Calcd for C₂₄H₂₂N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 357.1767.

(1'*R**,2'*S**)-1,2-Diphenyl-1,3',4',5-tetrahydro-1'*H*-spiro[imidazole-4,2'-naphthalen]-1'-yl 2-isopropyl-2,3-dimethylbutanoate (5p):



7% yield from 1p, $PhI[OCOC(i-Pr)_2Me]_2$ (1.4 equiv) and $Et_3N\bullet 3HF$ (5 equiv); reaction time: 20 h.

Yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3063, 2968, 2936, 1715, 1593, 1574, 1495, 1454, 1393, 1323, 1225, 1146, 930 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.76-0.80 (9H, m), 0.86 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz), 1.00 (3H, s), 1.89-2.06 (2H, m), 2.11-2.25 (2H, m), 2.92 (1H, ddd, J = 4.8, 5.2, 16.8 Hz), 3.27 (1H, ddd, J = 6.8, 8.0, 16.8 Hz), 3.68 (1H, d, J = 9.6 Hz), 4.20 (1H, d, J = 9.6 Hz), 6.18 (1H, s), 6.74 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 6.97 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.09-7.24 (7H, m), 7.33 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.43-7.45 (3H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.5, 17.3, 17.4, 18.1, 18.5, 25.6, 31.7, 32.5, 32.8, 52.7, 61.6, 69.3, 74.9, 122.0, 123.2, 125.7, 128.1 (overlapped), 128.6, 128.7, 129.1, 130.0, 130.8, 130.9, 134.2, 136.7, 142.5, 161.3, 176.0; ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 447.3008. Calcd for C₂₉H₃₉N₂O₂: (M+H)⁺ 447.3012.

4-(1-Fluorocycloheptyl)-4-methyl-1,2-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole (2q):



95% yield from 1q, PhI(OPiv)₂ (1.3 equiv) and Et₃N•3HF (2 equiv); reaction time: 21 h.

Pale yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3061, 2932, 2860, 1593, 1574, 1504, 1447, 1393, 1371, 1312, 1179, 1146, 910 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.44 (3H, s), 1.50-1.72 (8H, m), 1.87-2.22 (4H, m), 3.77 (1H, dd, J = 1.2, 9.6 Hz), 4.14 (1H, d, J = 9.6 Hz), 6.75 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.96 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.13 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.26 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.33 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.50 (2H, d, J = 7.2 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.8 (d, J = 3.7 Hz), 23.0 (d, J = 5.6 Hz), 24.5 (d, J = 3.0 Hz), 29.7, 30.1,

33.8 (d, J = 23.8 Hz), 34.7 (d, J = 23.3 Hz), 61.7 (d, J = 5.5 Hz), 74.4 (d, J = 23.5 Hz), 102.3 (d, J = 174.9 Hz), 122.6, 123.3, 128.1, 128.6, 128.8, 129.8, 131.2, 142.8, 160.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -151.2 (1F, tt, J = 19.6, 27.0 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 351.2243. Calcd for C₂₃H₂₈N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 351.2237.

5. Reductive ring-opening of 2-imidazolines 2

Typical procedure: synthesis of 6j



A solution of 4-(1-fluorocyclohexyl)-1,2-diphenyl-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-imidazole **2j** (83.9 mg, 0.260 mmol) in CHCl₃ (5.0 mL) was added MeI (163 μ L, 2.602 mmol). The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 16h. The volatile materials were removed in vacuo. The crude amidinium iodide was used directly for the next step.

To a stirred solution of the crude amidinium iodide in methanol (5 mL) was added NaBH₄ (49.2 mg, 1.301 mmol) in three batches at 0 °C (ice-water bath). After the addition of NaBH₄, the reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature. After 30 minutes, the solvent was removed in vacuo and water (15 mL) was added. The mixture was then extracted with Et_2O and the combined organic layers were washed with brine, and then dried over MgSO₄. Removal of the solvents in vacuo gave the crude aminal product.

The crude aminal was dissolved in 5 mL MeOH and 4M HCl in dioxane (0.33 mL) was added. The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 20h. The solvent was removed in vacuo and saturated NaHCO₃ was added. The mixture was extracted with Et₂O and the combined organic layers were washed with brine, and then dried over MgSO₄. Removal of the solvents in vacuo gave the crude product, which was purified

by flash column chromatography (silica gel; hexane : ethyl acetate = 85 : 15) afforded 6j (48.3 mg, 0.193 mmol) in 74% yield as a pale yellow oil.

1-(1-Fluorocyclohexyl)- N^1 -methyl- N^2 -phenylethane-1,2-diamine (6j):



Yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3416, 3360, 3049, 2934, 2862, 1603, 1504, 1483, 1449, 1319, 1258, 1179, 1138, 932 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.16-1.26 (1H, m), 1.45-1.69 (8H, m), 1.91-1.96 (2H, m), 2.48 (3H, s), 2.67 (1H, ddd, *J* = 4.4, 6.0, 15.2 Hz), 3.03 (1H, dd, *J* = 6.0, 12.0 Hz), 3.33 (1H, dd, *J* = 4.4, 12.0 Hz), 4.30 (1H, s br), 6.63 (2H, dd, *J* = 0.8, 8.4 Hz), 6.70 (1H, t, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 7.18 (2H, dd, *J* = 7.6, 8.4 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.5 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz), 21.6 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz), 25.3, 32.0 (d, *J* = 22.6 Hz), 32.6 (d, *J* = 22.3 Hz), 35.7, 42.1 (d, *J* = 5.1 Hz), 65.1 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 98.9 (d, *J* = 171.1 Hz), 112.9, 117.3, 129.2, 148.5; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ - 162.9 (1F, m); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 251.1924. Calcd for C₁₅H₂₄N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 251.1924.

N^{1} -Benzyl-1-(1-fluorocyclohexyl)- N^{2} -phenylethane-1,2-diamine (7j):



71% yield from 2j and BnBr (4 equiv).

White solid; mp: 44-45 °C; IR (NaCl) 3418, 3368, 3024, 2936, 2862, 1603, 1504, 1452, 1319, 1256, 1125, 932 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.19-1.26 (1H, m), 1.44-1.69 (8H, m), 1.93-1.96 (2H, m), 2.84 (1H, ddd, J = 4.4, 6.4, 15.6 Hz), 3.02 (1H, dd, J = 6.4, 12.0 Hz), 3.35 (1H, dd, J = 4.4, 12.0 Hz), 3.84 (1H, d, J = 13.6 Hz), 3.87 (1H, d, J = 13.6 Hz), 4.30 (1H, s br), 6.58 (2H, dd, J = 0.8, 8.4 Hz), 6.70 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.17 (2H, dd, J = 7.6, 8.4 Hz), 7.24-7.33 (5H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.59 (d, J = 2.1 Hz), 21.60 (d, J = 2.0 Hz), 25.3, 32.1 (d, J = 22.4 Hz), 32.6 (d, J = 22.3 Hz), 42.5 (d, J = 4.7 Hz), 52.8, 62.3 (d, J = 21.4 Hz), 99.1 (d, J = 171.2

Hz), 112.9, 117.3, 127.1, 128.2, 128.5, 129.2, 140.5, 148.5; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -163.1 (1F, m); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 327.2236. Calcd for C₂₁H₂₈N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 327.2237.

 $(2S^*, 3R^*)$ - N^2 -Allyl-3-fluoro- N^1 ,3-diphenylpropane-1,2-diamine (8a):



66% yield from 2a and allyl bromide (10 equiv).

Pale yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3364, 3028, 2922, 2841, 1603, 1504, 1454, 1431, 1317, 1261, 1125, 993, 916 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.10-3.30 (5H, m), 4.19 (1H, s br), 5.07 (1H, dd, J = 1.2, 10.4 Hz), 5.13 (1H, dd, J = 1.2, 17.2 Hz), 5.64 (1H, dd, J = 4.4, 46.8 Hz), 5.80 (1H, tdd, J = 6.0, 10.4, 17.2 Hz), 6.54 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 6.68 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.13 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.32-7.42 (5H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 42.0 (d, J = 4.7 Hz), 49.5, 60.1 (d, J = 23.1 Hz), 93.3 (d, J = 174.7 Hz), 113.1, 116.3, 117.5, 125.6 (d, J = 7.6 Hz), 128.5, 128.6, 129.1, 136.5, 137.4 (d, J = 20.1 Hz), 148.3; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -190.6 (1F, dd, J = 19.2, 46.6 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 285.1774. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₂N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 285.1767.

$(2S^*, 3R^*)$ - N^2 -Allyl- N^1 -benzyl-3-fluoro-3-phenylpropane-1,2-diamine (8b):



77% yield from **2b** and allyl bromide (10 equiv).

Colorless oil; IR (NaCl) 3312, 3063, 3028, 2918, 2826, 1495, 1454, 1360, 1123, 995, 918 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.69 (2H, s br), 2.64 (1H, dd, J = 7.6, 12.4 Hz), 2.71 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 12.4 Hz), 3.03 (1H, dddd, J = 4.0, 4.4, 7.6, 19.6 Hz), 3.14-3.26 (2H, m), 3.70 (1H, d, J = 13.2 Hz), 3.75 (1H, d, J = 13.2 Hz), 5.05 (1H, dd, J = 1.6, 10.4 Hz), 5.11 (1H, dd, J = 1.6, 17.2 Hz), 5.58 (1H, dd, J = 4.4, 46.8 Hz), 5.80 (1H, tdd, J = 6.0, 10.4, 17.2 Hz), 7.21-7.38 (10H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 47.5 (d, J = 5.0 Hz), 50.1, 53.8, 60.7 (d, J = 22.9 Hz), 94.0 (d, J = 174.2 Hz), 116.0,

125.7 (d, J = 7.8 Hz), 126.9, 128.0, 128.2, 128.3, 128.4, 136.9, 137.9 (d, J = 20.1 Hz), 140.3; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -190.4 (1F, dd, J = 19.6, 47.0 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 299.1929. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₄N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 299.1924.

(2S*,3R*)-N¹,N²-Diallyl-3-fluoro-3-phenylpropane-1,2-diamine (8c):



80% yield from 2c and allyl bromide (10 equiv).

Colorless oil; IR (NaCl) 3312, 3075, 2922, 2822, 1643, 1454, 1402, 1306, 1273, 1115, 991, 918 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.54 (2H, s br), 2.60 (1H, dd, J = 7.6, 12.0 Hz), 2.67 (1H, dd, J = 3.6, 12.0 Hz), 3.02 (1H, dddd, J = 3.6, 4.8, 7.6, 20.0 Hz), 3.14-3.32 (4H, m), 5.04-5.16 (4H, m), 5.59 (1H, dd, J = 4.8, 46.8 Hz), 5.77-5.90 (2H, m), 7.30-7.39 (5H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 47.6 (d, J = 4.9 Hz), 50.1, 52.4, 60.8 (d, J = 22.6 Hz), 93.9 (d, J = 174.0 Hz), 115.8, 116.0, 125.6 (d, J = 8.0 Hz), 128.2, 128.4, 136.8, 136.9, 137.9 (d, J = 20.1 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ - 191.1 (1F, dd, J = 20.3, 47.0 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 249.1766. Calcd for C₁₅H₂₂N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 249.1767.

$(2S^*, 3R^*)$ - N^2 -Allyl-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-fluoro- N^1 -phenylpropane-1,2-diamine (8d):



74% yield from 2d and allyl bromide (10 equiv).

Colorless oil; IR (NaCl) 3362, 3075, 2920, 2841, 1603, 1504, 1495, 1431, 1317, 1261, 1092, 993, 922 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.33 (1H, s br), 3.07-3.33 (5H, m), 4.17 (1H, s br), 5.08 (1H, dd, J = 1.2, 10.4 Hz), 5.14 (1H, dd, J = 1.2, 17.2 Hz), 5.60 (1H, dd, J = 4.4, 46.8 Hz), 5.79 (1H, tdd, J = 6.0, 10.4, 17.2 Hz), 6.54-6.56 (2H, m),
6.70 (1H, t, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.15 (2H, t, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.27 (2H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 7.38 (2H, d, J = 8.4 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 42.0 (d, J = 4.6 Hz), 49.6, 60.0 (d, J = 23.2 Hz), 92.7 (d, J = 175.1 Hz), 113.1, 116.4, 117.6, 127.0 (d, J = 7.7 Hz), 128.8, 129.2, 134.4 (d, J = 1.3 Hz), 136.0 (d, J = 20.5 Hz), 136.4, 148.2; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -190.2 (1F, dd, J = 19.9, 47.4 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 319.1384. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₁N₂ClF: (M+H)⁺ 319.1377.

$(1R^*, 2S^*, 3R^*)$ -N²-Allyl-1-fluoro-N³,1-diphenylbutane-2,3-diamine (8g):



71% yield from 2g and allyl bromide (10 equiv). Compound 8g contains a trace amount of unknown inseparable impurity, which was detected by ¹⁹F NMR. This impurity was probably derived from the 3,5-difluorophenyl moiety during the hydrolysis process of 2g.

Colorless oil; IR (NaCl) 3364, 3051, 2972, 2926, 1601, 1504, 1454, 1315, 1256, 1155, 1123, 993, 918 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.88 (1H, s br), 1.25 (3H, d, J = 6.0 Hz), 2.79-2.91 (3H, m), 3.80-4.09 (2H, m), 4.88-4.96 (2H, m), 5.30 (1H, dd, J = 8.4, 46.4 Hz), 5.59 (1H, tdd, J = 6.0, 10.4, 17.2 Hz), 6.65-6.70 (3H, m), 7.17 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.35-7.37 (5H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 18.3, 48.5, 52.1, 64.7 (d, J = 24.6 Hz), 94.1 (d, J = 175.6 Hz), 113.7, 116.2, 117.2, 126.9 (d, J = 6.1 Hz), 128.5, 128.9 (d, J = 1.6 Hz), 129.3, 136.6, 137.9 (d, J = 20.0 Hz), 147.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -173.9 (1F, dd, J = 10.5, 46.2 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 299.1930. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₄N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 299.1924.

N^2 -Allyl-3-fluoro- N^1 ,3,3-triphenylpropane-1,2-diamine (8h):



59% yield from **2h** and allyl bromide (10 equiv).

Colorless oil; IR (NaCl) 3360, 3306, 3063, 3009, 2928, 2857, 1643, 1601, 1504, 1450, 1427, 1314, 1283, 1152, 1049, 908 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.51 (1H, s br), 2.92-3.05 (3H, m), 3.26-3.29 (1H, m), 3.70-3.79 (1H, m), 4.16 (1H, s br), 4.96-4.99 (2H, m), 5.65-5.75 (1H, m), 6.49 (2H, d, J = 7.2 Hz), 6.68 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.11-7.15 (2H, m), 7.25-7.37 (6H, m), 7.47 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.52 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 43.3 (d, J = 3.9 Hz), 50.3, 61.7 (d, J = 20.8 Hz), 101.5 (d, J = 180.7 Hz), 113.3, 115.8, 117.4, 124.7 (d, J = 10.1 Hz), 125.0 (d, J = 10.1 Hz), 127.67, 127.73, 128.4 (d, J = 1.0 Hz), 128.5 (d, J = 0.9 Hz), 129.1, 137.1, 141.83 (d, J = 24.3 Hz), 141.84 (d, J = 22.4 Hz), 148.3; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ - 166.2 (1F, d, J = 27.8 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 383.1897. Calcd for C₂₄H₂₅N₂FNa: (M+Na)⁺ 383.1899.

N^2 -Allyl-3-fluoro-3-methyl- N^1 -phenylbutane-1,2-diamine (8i):



72% yield from 2i and allyl bromide (10 equiv).

Colorless oil; IR (NaCl) 3416, 3362, 3076, 2980, 2934, 2851, 1603, 1504, 1483, 1429, 1373, 1319, 1256, 1144, 1130, 993, 920 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.42 (3H, d, J = 22.4 Hz), 1.43 (3H, d, J = 22.4 Hz), 2.88 (1H, ddd, J = 4.4, 6.4, 12.8 Hz), 2.99 (1H, dd, J = 6.4, 12.0 Hz), 3.30 (1H, dd, J = 4.4, 12.0 Hz), 3.33 (2H, d, J = 6.0 Hz), 4.27 (1H, s br), 5.08 (1H, ddd, J = 1.6, 2.8, 16.4 Hz), 5.18 (1H, ddd, J = 1.6, 3.2, 10.0 Hz), 5.88 (1H, tdd, J = 6.0, 10.0, 16.4 Hz), 6.62 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.71 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.16-7.20 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.8 (d, J = 24.4 Hz), 24.9 (d, J = 24.2 Hz), 43.1 (d, J = 5.9 Hz), 51.2, 62.8 (d, J = 21.5 Hz), 98.5 (d, J = 166.1 Hz), 113.0, 115.9, 117.4, 129.2, 137.0, 148.4; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -140.6 (1F, sepd, J = 13.2, 21.4 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 237.1764. Calcd for C₁₄H₂₂N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 237.1767.

 N^{1} -Allyl-1-(1-fluorocyclohexyl)- N^{2} -phenylethane-1,2-diamine (8j):



73% yield from 2j and allyl bromide (10 equiv).

Pale yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3418, 3358, 2934, 2862, 1603, 1504, 1481, 1449, 1321, 1258, 1152, 993, 924 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.20-1.25 (1H, m), 1.38-1.68 (8H, m), 1.90-1.97 (2H, m), 2.80 (1H, ddd, J = 5.2, 6.4, 15.6 Hz), 3.01 (1H, dd, J = 6.4, 12.0 Hz), 3.30-3.32 (3H, m), 4.30 (1H, s br), 5.07 (1H, d, J = 10.0 Hz), 5.17 (1H, d, J = 17.2 Hz), 5.87 (1H, tdd, J = 6.0, 10.0, 17.2 Hz), 6.62 (2H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 6.70 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.17 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 21.6 (overlapped), 25.3, 32.0 (d, J = 22.3 Hz), 32.6 (d, J = 22.4 Hz), 42.5 (d, J = 4.8 Hz), 51.3, 62.2 (d, J = 21.4 Hz), 98.9 (d, J = 171.1 Hz), 113.0, 115.8, 117.3, 129.2, 137.1, 148.5; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -163.3 (1F, m); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 277.2077. Calcd for C₁₇H₂₆N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 277.2080.

N^{1} -Allyl-1-(2-fluoroadamantan-2-yl)- N^{2} -phenylethane-1,2-diamine (8k):



69% yield from 2k and allyl bromide (15 equiv).

Colorless oil; IR (NaCl) 3424, 3362, 3049, 2914, 2860, 1603, 1504, 1474, 1456, 1321, 1258, 1152, 991, 972, 918 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.58-1.84 (11H, m), 2.13-2.15 (3H, m), 2.49 (1H, m), 3.02 (1H, dd, J = 6.8, 12.0 Hz), 3.28 (1H, ddd, J = 4.0, 6.8, 30.8 Hz), 3.35 (2H, d, J = 6.0 Hz), 3.41 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 12.0 Hz), 4.41 (1H, s br), 5.07 (1H, dd, J = 1.2, 10.4 Hz), 5.19 (1H, dd, J = 1.6, 17.2 Hz), 5.88 (1H, tdd, J = 6.0, 10.4, 17.2 Hz), 6.64 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 6.69 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.17 (2H, t, J = 8.0 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 26.6, 26.9, 32.7 (d, J = 20.5 Hz), 32.8 (d, J = 4.0 Hz), 33.1 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), 33.6 (d, J = 19.2 Hz), 34.6 (d, J = 7.8 Hz), 35.1 (d, J = 5.0 Hz), 32.8 (d, J = 5.0 Hz), 33.1 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), 33.6 (d, J = 19.2 Hz), 34.6 (d, J = 7.8 Hz), 35.1 (d, J = 5.0 Hz), 3

8.1 Hz), 37.5, 41.1, 51.1, 55.5 (d, J = 20.2 Hz), 103.0 (d, J = 178.3 Hz), 113.0, 115.8, 117.2, 129.2, 137.5, 148.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -162.0 (1F, d, J = 30.5 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 329.2393. Calcd for C₂₁H₃₀N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 329.2393.

$(2S^*, 3R^*)$ - N^2 -Allyl-3-fluoro- N^1 ,3-diphenylbutane-1,2-diamine (8l):



69% yield from **2l** and allyl bromide (10 equiv).

Pale yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3416, 3364, 3055, 2982, 2934, 1603, 1504, 1447, 1375, 1319, 1260, 1180, 1070, 920 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.41 (1H, s br), 1.77 (3H, d, J = 23.6 Hz), 2.88 (1H, dd, J = 7.6, 12.4 Hz), 3.04 (1H, ddd, J = 4.4, 7.6, 22.8 Hz), 3.16 (1H, dd, J = 4.4, 12.4 Hz), 3.26-3.36 (2H, m), 4.03 (1H, s br), 5.05 (1H, ddd, J = 1.2, 3.2, 10.0 Hz), 5.14 (1H, ddd, J = 1.6, 3.2, 17.2 Hz), 5.83 (1H, tdd, J = 6.0, 10.0, 17.2 Hz), 6.46 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.66 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.09-7.14 (2H, m), 7.28-7.40 (5H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.7 (d, J = 24.8 Hz), 43.1 (d, J = 4.3 Hz), 51.3, 63.0 (d, J = 22.2 Hz), 100.6 (d, J = 175.3 Hz), 113.1, 115.8, 117.3, 124.2 (d, J = 10.0 Hz), 127.6, 128.4 (d, J = 1.2 Hz), 129.3, 137.2, 142.9 (d, J = 21.4 Hz), 148.2; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -157.4 (1F, dq, J = 22.9, 23.3 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 321.1730. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₃N₂FNa: (M+Na)⁺ 321.1743.

$(2S^*, 3S^*)$ - N^2 -Allyl-3-fluoro- N^1 ,3-diphenylbutane-1,2-diamine (8m):



72% yield from **2m** and allyl bromide (10 equiv).

Yellow oil; IR (NaCl) 3385, 3360, 3055, 2982, 2934, 2853, 1603, 1504, 1447, 1377, 1317, 1260, 1180, 1153, 1123, 1069, 993, 922 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.38 (1H, s br), 1.78 (3H, d, J = 24.0 Hz), 2.89 (1H, dd, J = 7.2, 12.4 Hz), 3.09-3.15 (3H, m), 3.22 (1H, dd, J = 4.0, 12.4 Hz), 4.11 (1H, s br), 5.01-5.09 (2H, m), 5.77 (1H, tdd, J = 6.0, 11.2, 16.4 Hz), 6.51 (2H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 6.68 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.14

(2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.30-7.42 (5H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 23.6 (d, J = 23.9 Hz), 43.0 (d, J = 4.2 Hz), 51.0, 63.4 (d, J = 23.9 Hz), 99.9 (d, J = 173.2 Hz), 113.0, 115.9, 117.4, 124.8 (d, J = 9.4 Hz), 127.8, 128.3, 129.2, 137.0, 142.7 (d, J = 21.9 Hz), 148.3; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -150.6 (1F, dq, J = 16.5, 23.3 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 299.1926. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₄N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 299.1924.

 $(2S^*, 3R^*)$ - N^2 -Allyl-3-fluoro-2-methyl- N^1 ,3-diphenylpropane-1,2-diamine (8n):



52% yield from **2n** and allyl bromide (10 equiv).

Colorless oil; IR (NaCl) 3383, 3009, 2924, 2847, 1603, 1506, 1452, 1429, 1379, 1317, 1179, 1007, 922 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.11 (3H, d, *J* = 1.6 Hz), 1.36 (1H, s br), 3.08 (1H, d, *J* = 12.0 Hz), 3.24-3.27 (3H, m), 4.34 (1H, s br), 5.06 (1H, dd, *J* = 1.6, 10.4 Hz), 5.18 (1H, dd, *J* = 1.6, 17.2 Hz), 5.55 (1H, d, *J* = 45.2 Hz), 5.88 (1H, tdd, *J* = 5.6, 10.4, 17.2 Hz), 6.63 (2H, d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 6.69 (1H, t, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 7.18 (2H, t, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 7.33-7.41 (5H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 18.4 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 44.1, 46.9 (d, *J* = 3.4 Hz), 58.3 (d, *J* = 22.2 Hz), 96.1 (d, *J* = 177.9 Hz), 112.9, 115.4, 117.2, 126.9 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 128.1, 128.5, 129.2, 136.2 (d, *J* = 20.9 Hz), 136.9, 148.6; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -187.8 (1F, dd, *J* = 19.2, 45.1 Hz); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 299.1931. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₄N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 299.1924.

N-(((1*S**,2*R**)-1-(Allylamino)-2-fluorocyclohexyl)methyl)aniline (80):



61% yield from **20** and allyl bromide (10 equiv).

Colorless oil; IR (NaCl) 3372, 3076, 2938, 2862, 1603, 1504, 1485, 1427, 1321, 1254, 1180, 1084, 991, 918 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.30 (1H, s br), 1.43-1.68 (6H, m), 1.79-1.87 (2H, m), 3.09-3.22 (4H, m), 4.22 (1H, s br), 4.60 (1H, ddd, *J* = 4.0, 4.4, 47.6 Hz), 5.05-5.08 (1H, m), 5.18-5.22 (1H, m), 5.89 (1H, tdd, *J* = 6.0, 10.4, 17.2

Hz), 6.64 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 6.68 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.16 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 20.5, 21.0 (d, J = 5.0 Hz), 27.1 (d, J = 20.3 Hz), 29.2, 43.5, 44.6 (d, J = 4.2 Hz), 56.8 (d, J = 19.0 Hz), 92.8 (d, J = 175.4 Hz), 112.9, 115.5, 117.0, 129.2, 137.1, 148.9; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -190.1 (1F, m); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 263.1926. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₄N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 263.1924.

 N^2 -Allyl-2-(1-fluorocycloheptyl)- N^1 -phenylpropane-1,2-diamine (8q):



68% yield from **2q** and allyl bromide (10 equiv).

Colorless oil; IR (NaCl) 3437, 3364, 3049, 2928, 2857, 1603, 1504, 1485, 1379, 1321, 1273, 1179, 1015, 916 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.11 (3H, s), 1.44-1.92 (10H, m), 1.98-2.08 (3H, m), 3.13 (2H, s), 3.19-3.21 (2H, m), 4.42 (1H, s br), 5.02 (1H, dd, J = 1.6, 10.4 Hz), 5.18 (1H, dd, J = 2.0, 17.2 Hz), 5.88 (1H, tdd, J = 5.6, 10.4, 17.2 Hz), 6.60 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 6.67 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.15-7.19 (2H, m); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 20.0 (d, J = 5.8 Hz), 22.9 (d, J = 4.2 Hz), 23.0 (d, J = 6.9 Hz), 29.6, 30.1, 33.9 (d, J = 24.3 Hz), 34.7 (d, J = 24.1 Hz), 45.0 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 46.1 (d, J = 2.7 Hz), 61.2 (d, J = 19.4 Hz), 106.0 (d, J = 173.7 Hz), 112.6, 114.7, 116.8, 129.2, 137.9, 148.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -148.0--147.7 (1F, m); ESIHRMS: Found: m/z 305.2388. Calcd for C₁₉H₃₀N₂F: (M+H)⁺ 305.2393.

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¹³C NMR spectrum of PhI[OCOC(*i*-Pr)₂Me]₂ (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

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¹³C NMR spectrum of **1f** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

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 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of $\mathbf{1q}$ (100 MHz, CDCl₃)















¹H NMR spectrum of **5a** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **5a** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

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¹H NMR spectrum of **2b** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)









¹³C NMR spectrum of **5b** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)











¹³C NMR spectrum of **5c** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

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¹³C NMR spectrum of **5d** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

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¹⁹F NMR spectrum of 2e (376 MHz, CDCl₃)



¹H NMR spectrum of **5e** (the major stereoisomer) (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



¹³C NMR spectrum of **5e** (the major stereoisomer) (100 MHz, CDCl₃)







¹³C NMR spectrum of **5e'** (the minor stereoisomer) (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

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¹H NMR spectrum of **2f** (mixture, major:minor = 2.0:1) (400 MHz, CDCl₃)















 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of **5f** (the major stereoisomer) (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

88S



¹H NMR spectrum of **5f**' (the minor stereoisomer) (400 MHz, CDCl₃)







 ^{1}H NMR spectrum of 2g (the major stereoisomer) (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



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 19 F NMR spectrum of **2g** (the major stereoisomer) (376 MHz, CDCl₃)







 $^{19}\mathrm{F}$ NMR spectrum of 5g and 2g' (5g:2g' = 2.9:1) (376 MHz, CDCl₃)

96S





86S









 $^{19}\mathrm{F}$ NMR spectrum of 2i (376 MHz, CDCl₃)







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¹³C NMR spectrum of **2n** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

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¹³C NMR spectrum of **50** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)



¹H NMR spectrum of **2p** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)









¹³C NMR spectrum of **5p** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)







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¹H NMR spectrum of 8a (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



¹³C NMR spectrum of 8a (100 MHz, CDCl₃)












¹³C NMR spectrum of 8c (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

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¹³C NMR spectrum of 8d (100 MHz, CDCl₃)







 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of 8g~(100 MHz, CDCl_3)



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¹H NMR spectrum of **8h** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)









¹³C NMR spectrum of 8i (100 MHz, CDCl₃)









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¹³C NMR spectrum of **8k** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)









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¹H NMR spectrum of 8m (400 MHz, CDCl₃)









¹H NMR spectrum of **8n** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

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¹³C NMR spectrum of **8n** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)



 $^{19}\mathrm{F}$ NMR spectrum of 8n (376 MHz, CDCl₃)





¹³C NMR spectrum of **80** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)









¹³C NMR spectrum of **8**q (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

