## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

Facile and Efficient Formation and Dissociation of

Pseudo[2]rotaxane by Slippage Approach Using Pillar[5]arene-

Based Cyclic Host Liquid and Solvent

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## **Experimental Section**

**Materials.** All solvents and reagents were used as supplied. Pillar[5]arene-based CHL 1 and (R)-2-azido-3-methylbutanoic acid and stopper 4 were synthesized according to the previous papers.<sup>S1-S3</sup>

**Measurements.** The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded at 500 MHz and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded at 125 MHz with a JEOL-ECA500 spectrometer.

**Axle 2.** (*R*)-2-azido-3-methylbutanoic acid (450 mg, 3.10 mmol) was dissolved in THF (5 mL). *N*-methylmethylmorphiline (0.40 mL, 3.70 mmol) and isobutylchloroformate (0.50 mL, 3.70 mmol) was added at 0 °C and the reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 1 h. Then, 1,12-diaminododecane (240 mg, 1.2 mmol) in THF (5 mL) was added to the mixture, and the reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 24 h. The residue obtained after evaporation of solvents was dissolved in ethyl acetate and washed twice with water. Solution in organic solvent was dried over anhydrous Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and evaporated to dryness. The residue was washed with *n*-hexane. (Axle **2**, 272 mg, 0.604 mmol, yield 50%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz, ppm):  $\delta$  6.32 (s, 2H), 3.83 (d, 2H), 3.27 (m, 4H), 1.51 (m, 4H), 1.21-1.36 (m, 18H), 1.08 (d, 6H), 0.90 (d, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz, ppm):  $\delta$  168.8, 71.0, 39.4, 31.9, 29.5, 29.2, 26.9, 19.7, 16.6. HRESIMS: *m*/*z* Calcd for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>42</sub>N<sub>8</sub>NaO<sub>2</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 473.3328, found 473.3325.

[2]Rotaxane 3. Axle 2 (22.5 mg, 0.0500 mmol) was dissolved in CHL 1 (103 mg, 0.500 mmol). The reaction mixture was heated at 100 °C for 1 h. Column chromatography (silica gel; ethyl acetate : methanol = 10 : 1) afforded a transparent slight yellow liquid. ([2]rotaxane 3, 35 mg, 0.0139 mmol, yield 28%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz, ppm):  $\delta$  6.87 (s, 10H), 6.09 (s, 2H), 4.01 (m, 20H), 3.84 (m, 20H), 3.71-3.79 (m, 30H), 3.68 (m, 20H), 3.64 (m, 20H), 3.52 (m, 20H), 3.35 (s, 30H), 2.51 (m, 4H), 2.31 (m, 2H), 1.07, 0.98 (m, 12H), 0.53 (m, 4H), 0.32 (m, 4H), 0.24 (m, 4H), -0.06 (m, 4H), -0.31 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 125 MHz, ppm):  $\delta$  168.5, 149.7, 129.0, 115.0, 71.9, 70.8, 70.7, 70.5, 70.3, 70.2, 69.9, 69.7, 68.2, 68.1, 59.0, 39.6, 31.4, 31.3, 30.7, 30.2, 29.3, 29.0, 28.8, 28.7, 26.0, 19.7, 17.7, 17.6. HRESIMS: *m*/*z* Calcd for C<sub>127</sub>H<sub>212</sub>N<sub>8</sub>NaO<sub>42</sub> [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 2544.4597, found 2544.4592.

[2]Rotaxane 5. Axle 2 (22.5 mg, 0.0500 mmol), stopper 4 (13.0 mg, 0.0600 mmol) and

tris[(1-benzyl-1H-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)methyl]amine (TBTA, 3.4 mg, 6.5 µmol) were dissolved CHL **1** (103 mg, 0.500 mmol). The mixture was heated at 100 °C for 24 h. To the mixture, Cu(CH<sub>3</sub>CN)<sub>4</sub>PF<sub>6</sub> (18.5 mg, 0.0500 mmol) was added, and the mixture was heated at 100 °C for 24 h. Column chromatography (silica gel; ethyl acetate : methanol = 10 : 1) afforded a transparent slight yellow liquid. ([2]rotaxane **5**, 32 mg, 0.0108 mmol, yield 22%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz, ppm): 8.15 (s, 2H), 7.12-7.14 (m 6H) 6.86 (s, 10H), 4.94 (m, 4H), 4.87 (m, 2H), 3.99 (m, 20H), 3.82 (m, 20H), 3.72-3.78 (m, 30H), 3.67 (m, 20H), 3.64 (m, 20H), 3.50 (m, 20H), 3.45 (m, 4H), 3.30 (s, 30H), 2.55-2.75 (m, 4H), 2.51 (m, 2H), 1.23-1.27 (m, 24H), 1.10 (m, 6H), 0.82 (m, 6H), 0.40-0.62 (m, 4H), 0.07-0.20 (m, 8H), -0.04 (m, 4H), -0.12 (m, 4H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 500 MHz, ppm):  $\delta$  167.5, 167.4, 153.0, 149.8, 144.4, 141.9, 129.0, 128.9, 125.0, 124.2, 122.6, 115.2, 115.0, 71.8, 70.7, 70.6, 70.5, 70.4, 70.2, 68.2, 68.1, 59.0, 40.1, 40.0, 32.6, 30.9, 30.3, 29.9, 29.3, 29.2, 29.1, 29.0, 28.8, 28.6, 26.6, 26.3, 24.1, 19.4, 18.7. HRESIMS: *m/z* Calcd for C<sub>157</sub>H<sub>252</sub>N<sub>8</sub>Na<sub>2</sub>O<sub>44</sub> [M+2Na]<sup>2+</sup>: 1500.3778, found 1500.3778.

**Thermodynamic parameters by van't Hoff plots.** The thermodynamic parameters such as  $\Delta H$  and  $\Delta S$  were determined from the temperature dependence of K by the use of the linear van't Hoff plots:

 $\ln \mathbf{K} = -\Delta H / \mathbf{R}T + \Delta S / \mathbf{R}$ 

where T is the temperature and R is the gas constant. The  $\Delta H$  and  $\Delta S$  for pseudorotaxanation were calculated from the slope and intercept by plotting ln K vs. 1/T.



Fig. S1 <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of axle 2 in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 25 °C.



Fig. S2 <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of [2]rotaxane 3 in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 25 °C.



Fig. S3 <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of [2]rotaxane 5 in CDCl<sub>3</sub> at 25 °C.

Temperature	70	80	90	100	110
(°C)					
K	2.3	1.9	1.6	1.15	1.1
∆G (×10²) (J/mol)	-24.2	-19.2	-14.2	-9.15	-4.14



**Fig. S4** van't Hoff plots for (a) formation of [2]rotaxane **3**. From the van't Hoff plots,  $\Delta H$  and  $\Delta S$  were calculated to be -21.9 kJmol<sup>-1</sup> and -56.1 JK<sup>-1</sup>mol<sup>-1</sup>, respectively.



Fig. S5 <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra (25 °C,  $CDCl_2CDCl_2$ ) of [2]rotaxane 5 after heating 100 °C. No spectral change indicates no dissociation of [2]rotaxane 5 even after heating at 100 °C.

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