Asymmetric [4 + 2] Cycloadditions with 3-Furfural Derivatives

and α -Cyano- α , β -Unsaturated Ketones

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1. General Methods

NMR spectra were recorded with tetramethylsilane as the internal standard. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded at 400 or 600 MHz and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 100 or 150 MHz. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm downfield from CDCl₃ (δ = 7.26 ppm) for ¹H NMR and relative to the central CDCl₃ resonance (δ = 77.0 ppm) for ¹³C NMR spectroscopy. Coupling constants are given in Hz. ESI-HRMS was recorded on a Waters SYNAPT G2. In each case, diastereomeric ratio was determined by ¹H NMR analysis and enantiomeric ratio was determined by HPLC analysis on a chiral stationary phase in comparison with authentic racemate, using a Daicel Chiralpak AD-H Column (250 × 4.6 mm), Chiralpak ID Column (250 × 4.6 mm). TLC was performed on glass-backed silica plates. UV light and I₂ were used to visualize products. Column chromatography was performed using silica gel (200-300 mesh) eluting with EtOAc/petroleum ether. Optical rotations were measured at 589 nm at 25 °C. Unless otherwise noted, commercial reagents were used as received and all reactions were carried out directly in air atmosphere. Furfural derivatives 1¹ and 4² and α-cyano-α,β-unsaturated ketones 2³ were obtained according to the literature procedures.

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2. More screening studies on different electrophiles



To further expand the utility of this strategy, more electron-deficient electrophiles were explored in the reactions with 3-furfural derivative 1a under the similar catalytic conditions. Unfortunately, the electrophiles outlined in the above scheme did not react with 1a and failed to give the desired [4 + 2] cycloadducts.

3. Failed attempts on the asymmetric [4 + 2] cycloaddition reactions



Some substrates with different substituents at the benzylic position were also applied to the standard conditions but failed to give the desired cycloadducts.

4. Typical procedure for the asymmetric [4 + 2] cycloadditions of 3-furfural derivatives

The reaction was carried out with furfural derivative **1** (0.12 mmol), α -cyano- α , β -unsaturated ketone **2** (0.10mmol), catalyst **C3** (0.02 mmol) and **A2** (0.02 mmol) in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) at 4 °C for the indicated time. After completion, the solution was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) to afford the pure chiral product **3**, usually as a mixture of inseparable diastereomers.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-Benzoyl-4-hydroxy-6,7-diphenyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydrobenzofuran -5-carbonitrile (3a): 2-Benzylfuran-3-carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-phenylacrylonitrile 2a (23.3 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid A2 (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene

(0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 72 h. Upon workup, product **3a** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (38.1 mg) in 91% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -211.75$ (c = 0.80 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr, 97% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 19.42 min, t (major) = 21.87 min]; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.47– 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.30–7.19 (m, 6H), 7.20–7.06 (m, 6H), 6.96–6.83 (m, 2H), 6.56 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.69 (s, 1H), 4.70 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 198.0, 150.6, 143.6, 137.9, 137.7, 135.4, 134.9, 132.2, 129.5, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.2, 127.8, 127.4, 120.0, 118.9, 108.2, 72.8, 64.3, 55.7, 45.5; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₈H₂₁NO₃+Na⁺ 442.1414, found 442.1415.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-Benzoyl-6-(3-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxy-7-phenyl-4,5,6,7-t etrahydrobenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3b): 2-Benzylfuran-3-carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-(3-chlorophenyl)acrylonitrile 2b (26.7 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst **C3** (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid **A2** (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 60 h. Upon workup, product **3b** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (41.2 mg) in 91% yield; $[\alpha]_{D}^{25} = -235.2$ (c = 0.50 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr, 92% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 16.42 min, t (major) = 18.32 min]; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.44 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.41–7.33 (m, 3H), 7.33–7.23 (m, 5H), 7.22–7.15 (m, 3H), 7.15–7.05 (m, 1H), 6.87 (m, 2H), 6.56 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.64 (s, 1H), 4.61 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 197.5, 150.2, 143.7, 143.6, 137.6, 137.2, 137.0, 134.4, 132.5, 129.8, 129.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 127.9, 127.6, 127.6, 119.9, 118.7, 108.2, 72.8, 63.8, 55.2, 45.5; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₈H₂₀³⁵ClNO₃+Na⁺ 476.1024, found 476.1025; C₂₈H₂₀³⁷ClNO₃+Na⁺ 478.0994, found 478.1005.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-Benzoyl-6-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxy-7-phenyl-4,5,6,7tetrahydrobenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3c): 2-Benzylfuran-3-carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-(4-chlorophenyl)acrylonitrile 2c (26.7 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid A2 (2.8

mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 60 h. Upon workup, product **3c** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (40.8 mg) in 90% yield; $[\alpha]_{D}^{25} = -265.8$ (c = 0.33 in CHCl₃); 17:1 dr, 92% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 24.57 min, t (major) = 21.05 min]; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.48–7.31 (m, 4H), 7.31–7.22 (m, 2H), 7.12 (m, 7H), 6.94–6.80 (m, 2H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 5.64 (s, 1H), 4.61 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H), 2.90 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 197.7, 150.2, 143.7, 137.7, 137.3, 135.3, 134.1, 133.6, 132.5, 130.7, 128.8, 128.5, 128.5, 127.9, 127.5, 120.0, 118.8, 108.2, 72.8, 63.9, 55.0, 45.6; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₈H₂₀³⁵CINO₃+Na⁺476.1024, found 476.1025; C₂₈H₂₀³⁷CINO₃+Na⁺478.0994, found 478.1003.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-Benzoyl-6-(4-bromophenyl)-4-hydroxy-7-phenyl-4,5,6,7tetrahydrobenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3d): 2-Benzylfuran-3-carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-(4-bromophenyl)acrylonitrile 2d (31.1 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid A2 (2.8

mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 60 h. Upon workup, product **3d** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (45.7 mg) in 92% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -261.3$ (c = 0.95 in CHCl₃); 16:1 dr, 96% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 11.64 min, t (major) = 10.11 min]; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.48–7.40 (m, 1H), 7.40–7.32 (m, 3H), 7.32–7.23 (m, 4H), 7.21–7.05 (m, 5H), 6.93–6.82 (m, 2H), 6.56 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.64 (s, 1H), 4.61 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.76 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H), 2.76 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 197.6, 150.3, 143.8, 137.6, 137.3, 134.1, 132.6, 131.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.0, 127.6, 127.6, 122.3, 119.9, 118.8, 108.1, 72.8, 63.8, 55.1, 45.5; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₈H₂₀⁷⁹BrNO₃+Na⁺ 520.0519, found 520.0520; C₂₈H₂₀⁸¹BrNO₃+Na⁺ 522.0498, found 522.05008.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-Benzoyl-4-hydroxy-7-phenyl-6-(*o*-tolyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydrob enzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3e): 2-Benzylfuran-3-carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-(*o*-tolyl)acrylonitrile 2e (24.7 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid A2 (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in

acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 72 h. Upon workup, product **3e** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF /petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (38.8 mg) in 90% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -334.1$ (c = 1.50 in CHCl₃); 17:1 dr, >99% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 10.69 min, t (major) = 14.80 min]; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.97 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.46–7.32 (m, 2H), 7.24 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 7.18–6.96 (m, 5H), 6.82 (m, 3H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 5.71 (s, 1H), 4.58 (d, J = 10.3 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 1.70 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 197.8, 150.7, 143.6, 138.0, 137.8, 137.7, 134.0, 132.0, 130.6, 128.6, 128.2, 128.0, 127.7, 127.4, 127.2, 126.9, 126.3, 120.7, 119.5, 108.2, 73.1, 63.9, 49.5, 46.8, 19.15; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₉H₂₃NO₃+Na⁺ 456.1570, found 456.1572.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-Benzoyl-4-hydroxy-7-phenyl-6-(*p*-tolyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahyd robenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3f): 2-Benzylfuran-3-carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-(*p*-tolyl)acrylonitrile 2f (24.7 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid A2 (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol)

were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 72 h. Upon workup, product **3f** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (36.7 mg) in 85% yield; $[\alpha]_D{}^{25} = -223.0$ (c = 0.33 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr, 95% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 18.38 min, t (major) = 20.55 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.42–7.30 (m, 2H), 7.30–7.18 (m, 4H), 7.13 (s, 5H), 7.03–6.82 (m, 4H), 6.54 (s, 1H), 5.67 (s, 1H), 4.67 (d, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.14 (s, 1H), 2.18 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 198.06, 150.57, 143.47, 143.45, 137.95, 137.83, 137.81, 132.09, 131.70, 129.24, 128.54, 128.34, 127.70, 127.41, 127.29, 119.94, 118.95, 108.16, 72.74, 64.40, 55.24, 45.41, 20.94; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₉H₂₃NO₃+Na⁺ 456.1570, found 456.1572.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-Benzoyl-4-hydroxy-6-(4-methoxyphenyl)-7-phenyl-4,5, 6,7-tetrahydrobenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3g): 2-Benzylfuran-3carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, 0.12mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-(4-methoxyphenyl) acrylonitrile 2g (26.3 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol)

and acid **A2** (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 96 h. Upon workup, product **3g** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (38.6 mg) in 86% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -288.8$ (c = 0.50 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr, 97% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20,1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 12.11 min, t (major) = 13.26 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.41–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.27–7.15 (m, 4H), 7.15–6.99 (m, 5H), 6.89–6.72 (m, 2H), 6.60 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.50 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 5.61 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H), 4.58 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 2.65 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 198.0, 159.2, 150.7, 143.6, 138.0, 137.8, 132.2, 130.5, 128.6, 128.4, 127.8, 127.5, 127.4, 126.8, 119.9, 119.0, 114.0, 108.1,72.7, 64.5, 55.2, 55.0, 45.6; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₉H₂₃NO₄+Na⁺ 472.1519, found 472.1520.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-Benzoyl-6-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-4-hydroxy-7-pheny l-4,5,6,7-tetrahydrobenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3h): 2-Benzylfuran-3carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-(3,4-dimethoxy phenyl)acrylonitrile 2h (29.3 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg,

0.02 mmol) and acid **A2** (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 96 h. Upon workup, product **3h** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF /petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (38.3 mg) in 80% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -276.1$ (c = 1.35 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr, 91% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 70/30, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 7.07 min, t (major) = 9.25 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.45–7.29 (m, 4H), 7.25 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.16 (s, 3H), 6.89 (s, 2H), 6.74 (s, 2H), 6.65–6.48 (m, 2H), 5.66 (s, 1H), 4.61 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.70 (d, J = 11.1 Hz, 1H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.16 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 198.0, 150.5, 148.6, 143.5, 143.5, 137.9, 137.8, 132.2, 128.5, 128.4, 127.8, 127.5, 127.3, 127.2, 121.8, 120.0, 119.2, 110.9, 108.1, 72.6, 64.2, 55.8, 55.7, 55.4, 45.8; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₃₀H₂₅NO₅+ Na⁺ 502.1625, found 502.1627.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-Benzoyl-4-hydroxy-6-(naphthalen-1-yl)-7-phenyl-4,5,6,7-tet rahydrobenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3i): 2-Benzylfuran-3-carbaldehyde1a (22.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-(naphthalen-1-yl)acrylonitrile 2i (28.3 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid A2 (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 72 h.

Upon workup, product **3i** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (36.6 mg) in 78% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -242.4$ (c = 0.75 in CHCl₃); 8:1 dr, 98 % ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 9.19 min, t (major) =13.63 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 8.24 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.77–7.53 (m, 3H), 7.47–7.23 (m, 6H), 7.18–7.06 (m, 2H), 7.05–6.81 (m, 7H), 6.71–6.58 (m, 1H), 5.87 (s, 1H), 4.81 (s, 2H), 3.13 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 196.8, 150.9, 143.6, 137.7, 137.3, 133.5, 132.0, 131.9, 131.8, 128.9, 128.3, 128.2, 128.2, 127.6, 127.3, 127.2, 126.2, 125.6, 125.4, 124.8, 122.5, 120.3, 119.4, 108.3, 73.0, 64.2, 47.5, 47.2; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₃₂H₂₃NO₃+Na⁺492.1570, found 492.1572.



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(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-Benzoyl-4-hydroxy-6-(naphthalen-2-yl)-7-phenyl-4,5,6 ,7-tetrahydrobenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3j): 2-Benzylfuran-3-carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-(naphthalen-2-yl) acrylonitrile 2j (28.3 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol)

and acid A2 (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 72 h. Upon workup, product **3j** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (35.2 mg) in 75% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -284.0$ (c = 1.20 in CHCl₃); 14:1 dr, 97% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 ml/min, λ = 254 nm, t (minor) = 27.49 min, t (major) = 23.99 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm)7.75–7.56 (m, 4H), 7.47–7.32 (m, 4H), 7.33–7.15 (m, 3H), 7.14–7.01 (m, 5H), 6.96–6.81 (m, 2H), 6.58 (s, 1H), 5.73 (s, 1H), 4.82 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 3.97 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm)197.8, 150.6, 143.6, 143.6, 137.8, 137.6, 132.9, 132.8, 132.3, 132.2, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 127.7, 127.4, 127.4, 127.4, 127.4, 126.2, 126.2, 120.0, 119.1, 108.2, 72.9, 64.2, 55.7, 45.6; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₃₂H₂₃NO₃+Na⁺492.1570, found 492.1568.

(4R,5S,6S,7R)-5-Benzoyl-6-(furan-2-yl)-4-hydroxy-7-phenyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydNrobenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3k): 2-Benzylfuran-3-carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, \bigcirc 0.12 mmol), (E)-2-benzoyl-3-(furan-2-yl)acrylonitrile 2k (22.3 mg, 0.10 mmol),

catalyst **C3** (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid **A2** (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 72 h. Upon workup, product **3k** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (35.2 mg) in 86% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -194.8$ (c = 0.50 in CHCl₃); 13:1 dr, 85% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 17.19 min, t (major) = 20.49 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.58–7.43 (m, 2H), 7.41–7.28 (m, 4H), 7.27–7.17 (m, 4H), 6.99–6.86 (m, 2H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 6.10 (s, 1H), 5.95 (d, J = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 5.67 (s, 1H), 4.81 (d, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.90 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 2.56 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 197.1, 149.9, 148.5, 143.7, 142.6, 137.7, 137.3, 132.7, 128.5, 128.3, 128.0, 127.9, 127.7, 120.0, 118.3, 110.7, 110.5, 108.2, 72.2, 62.7, 49.8, 43.9; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₆H₁₉NO₄+Na⁺ 432.1206, found 432.1209.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*S*,7*R*)-5-Benzoyl-4-hydroxy-7-phenyl-6-(thiophen-2-yl)-4,5,6,7-tetra hydrobenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3l): 2-Benzylfuran-3-carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-(thiophen-2-yl)acrylonitrile 2l (23.9 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid A2 (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol)

were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 72 h. Upon workup, product **31** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (35.3 mg) in 83% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -253.3$ (c = 0.45 in CHCl₃); 17:1 dr, 88% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 18.63 min, t (major) = 22.15 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.42 (d, J = 12.6 Hz, 2H), 7.38–7.13 (m, 7H), 7.06 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 7.02–6.92 (m, 2H), 6.86 (s, 1H), 6.80–6.68 (m, 1H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 5.64 (s, 1H), 4.61 (d, J = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 2.65 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 197.8, 150.1, 143.6, 137.8, 137.5, 137.3, 135.3, 132.5, 128.5, 128.1, 127.9, 127.6, 127.5, 126.7, 125.4, 120.0, 118.6, 108.2, 72.4, 64.8, 51.3, 47.3; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₆H₁₉NO₃S+Na⁺ 448.0978, found 448.0980.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-(4-Bromobenzoyl)-4-hydroxy-6,7-diphenyl-4,5,6,7-tet rahydrobenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3m): 2-Benzylfuran-3-carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-(4-bromobenzoyl)-3-phenylacrylonitrile 2m (31.1 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid A2

(2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 60 h. Upon workup, product **3m** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (38.7 mg) in 78% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -207.2$ (c = 0.50 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr, 98% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH= 90/10, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 20.15 min, t (major) = 18.88 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.45–7.33 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.20–7.06 (m, 9H), 6.96–6.79 (m, 2H), 6.58 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 5.68 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 2.68 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 197.1, 150.6, 143.8, 143.8, 137.5, 136.6, 134.7, 131.2, 129.5, 129.0, 128.8, 128.5, 128.5, 128.4, 127.5, 119.8, 118.8, 108.0, 72.8, 64.4, 55.7, 45.4; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₈H₂₀⁷⁹BrNO₃+Na⁺ 520.0519, found 520.0521; C₂₈H₂₀⁸¹BrNO₃+Na⁺ 522.0498, found 522.0510.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-4-Hydroxy-5-(4-methylbenzoyl)-6,7-diphenyl-4,5,6,7-te trahydrobenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3n): 2-Benzylfuran-3-carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-(4-methylbenzoyl)-3-phenylacrylonitrile 2n (24.7 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02mmol) and acid A2

(2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 72 h. Upon workup, product **3n** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (38.1 mg) in 88% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -210.5$ (c = 0.65 in CHCl₃); 17:1 dr, 90% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 18.46 min, t (major) = 15.78 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.41–7.29 (m, 1H), 7.28–7.19 (m, 4H), 7.18–7.06 (m, 6H), 7.03 (d, 2H), 6.94–6.80 (m, 2H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 5.68 (s, 1H), 4.70 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 2.95 (s, 1H), 2.28 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 197.3, 150.5, 143.5, 143.5, 143.1, 137.8, 135.2, 134.9, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 127.8, 127.3, 120.0, 119.1, 108.2, 72.8, 64.0, 55.6, 45.4, 21.5; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₉H₂₃NO₃ +Na⁺ 456.1570, found 456.1571.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-4-Hydroxy-5-(4-methoxybenzoyl)-6,7-diphenyl-4,5,6,7tetrahydrobenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (30): 2-Benzylfuran-3-carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-(4-methoxybenzoyl)-3-phenylacrylo nitrile 20 (26.3 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and

acid **A2** (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 72 h. Upon workup, product **30** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF /petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (35.5 mg) in 79% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -296.9$ (c = 0.65 in CHCl₃); 14:1 dr, 99% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 36.94 min, t (major) = 30.10 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.44 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (s, 1H), 7.25 (s, 2H), 7.19–7.00 (m, 7H), 6.92 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 2H), 6.70 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 6.54 (d, J = 17.4 Hz, 1H), 5.70 (s, 1H), 4.71 (d, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (d, J = 37.2 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.08 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 195.3, 163.0, 150.5, 143.5, 137.9, 135.0, 130.5, 130.5, 129.4, 128.6, 128.5, 128.4, 128.1, 127.3, 120.0, 119.4, 113.1, 108.3, 72.7, 63.6, 55.6, 55.3, 45.4; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₉H₂₃NO₄+Na⁺ 472.1519, found 472.1521.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-(1-Naphthoyl)-4-hydroxy-6,7-diphenyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydro benzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3p): 2-Benzylfuran-3-carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-(1-naphthoyl)-3-phenylacrylonitrile 2p (28.3 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid A2 (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol)

were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 72 h. Upon workup, product **3p** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (35.6 mg) in 76% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -135.3$ (c = 0.90 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr, 95% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 12.76 min, t (major) = 16.99 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.87 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (m, 4H), 7.29–7.01 (m, 9H), 6.86 (s, 2H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 5.74 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (d, J = 9.7 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 198.7, 150.8, 143.6, 143.6, 137.6, 135.3,134.7, 133.5, 132.2, 129.4, 128.9, 128.6, 128.4, 128.4, 128.0, 127.4, 127.3, 126.6, 126.1,124.6, 123.5, 120.1, 119.0, 108.1, 73.7, 64.9, 55.7, 46.4; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₃₂H₂₃NO₃ +Na⁺ 492.1570, found 492.1569.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-(2-Naphthoyl)-4-hydroxy-6,7-diphenyl-4,5,6,7-tetrah ydrobenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3q): 2-Benzylfuran-3-carbaldehyde 1a (22.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-(2-naphthoyl)-3-phenylacrylonitrile 2q (28.3 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid A2 (2.8 mg,

0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 72 h. Upon workup, product **3q** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (36.1 mg) in 77% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -340.0$ (c = 0.75 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr, 99% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak ID, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH= 80/20, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 20.22 min, t (major) = 9.33 min];¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.82 (d, J = 13.4 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.63 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (m, 2H), 7.40–7.21 (m, 4H), 7.20–7.07 (m, 6H), 6.95–6.84 (m, 2H), 6.56 (s, 1H), 5.76 (s, 1H), 4.73 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.14 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 197.8, 150.5, 143.6, 143.6, 137.7, 135.2, 134.9, 134.7, 131.6, 129.5, 129.1, 128.7,128.6, 128.4, 128.4, 128.2, 127.7, 127.6, 127.4, 126.7, 123.3, 120.0, 119.0, 108.2, 72.8, 64.4, 55.8, 45.4; ESI-HRMS:



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-Benzoyl-7-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-hydroxy-6-phenyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahy drobenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3*r*): 2-(4-Fluorobenzyl)furan-3-carbaldehyde 1b (24.5 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-phenylacrylonitrile 2a (23.3 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid A2 (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved

[†] in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 60 h. Upon workup, product **3r** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (38.5 mg) in 88% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -240.0$ (*c* =0.70 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr, 95% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 ml/min, λ = 254 nm, t (minor) = 19.59 min, t (major) = 17.77 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.46–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.19 (m, 6H), 7.15 (s, 3H), 6.82 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 4H), 6.57 (s, 1H), 5.67 (s, 1H), 4.69 (d, *J* = 10.7 Hz, 1H), 3.71 (d, *J* = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 197.8, 161.9 (d, *J* = 244.6 Hz), 150.2, 143.7, 143.7, 137.9, 134.6, 133.4 (d, *J* = 3.1 Hz), 132.3, 130.0 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz), 128.7, 128.3, 127.8, 127.4, 120.1, 118.9, 115.4 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz), 108.2, 72.8, 64.2, 55.8, 44.8; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₈H₂₀FNO₃ +Na⁺ 460.1319, found 460.1320.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-Benzoyl-4-hydroxy-6-phenyl-7-(p-tolyl)-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroben zofuran-5-carbonitrile (3s):2-(4-Methylbenzyl)furan-3-carbaldehyde 1c (24.0 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-phenylacrylonitrile 2a (23.3 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid A2 (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 72 h. Upon workup,

product **3s** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (38.6 mg) in 89% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -278.8$ (c = 0.85 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr, 98% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak ID, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH= 60/40, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 10.02 min, t (major) = 5.69 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.46–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.18 (m, 6H), 7.13 (s, 3H), 6.95 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.79 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.55 (s, 1H), 5.68 (s, 1H), 4.67 (d, J = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 2.94 (s, 1H), 2.22 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 198.0, 150.8, 143.5, 138.0, 137.0, 135.0, 134.5, 132.2, 129.5, 129.2, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 127.8, 127.4, 119.8, 118.9, 108.1, 72.8, 64.4, 55.6, 45.0, 21.0;



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-Benzoyl-4-hydroxy-7-(3-methoxyphenyl)-6-phenyl-4,5,6,7-tet rahydrobenzofuran-5-carbonitrile (3t): 2-(3-Methoxybenzyl)furan-3-carbaldehyde 1d (25.9 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-phenylacrylonitrile 2a (23.3 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid A2 (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 72

h. Upon workup, product **3t** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (38.2 mg) in 85% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -117.1$ (c = 0.55 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr, 99% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak ID, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 60/40, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 17.49 min, t (major) = 8.73 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.43–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.31–7.18 (m, 5H), 7.18–7.00 (m, 5H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.61–6.36 (m, 3H), 5.68 (s, 1H), 4.67 (d, *J* = 10.6 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (d, *J* = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 2.95 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 198.0, 159.4, 150.3, 143.6, 143.6, 139.2, 137.9, 134.9, 132.2, 129.4, 128.6, 128.2, 127.8, 127.4, 120.9, 120.0, 118.9, 114.5, 112.7, 108.1, 72.8, 64.3, 55.5, 55.1, 45.5; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₉H₂₃NO₄+Na⁺472.1519, found 472.1521.



(4*R*,5*S*,6*R*,7*S*)-5-Benzoyl-4-hydroxy-6-phenyl-7-vinyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydrobenzof uran-5-carbonitrile (3u): 2-Allylfuran-3-carbaldehyde 1e (16.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-phenylacrylonitrile 2a (23.3 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst C3 (10.2 mg,

0.02 mmol) and acid A2 (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene

(0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 72 h. Upon workup, product **3u** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (25.1 mg) in 68% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -141.4$ (c = 0.78 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr, 72% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak ID, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 26.61 min, t (major) = 20.72 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 7.44 (s, 1H), 7.42–7.31 (m, 3H), 7.30–7.14 (m, 7H), 6.55 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.69–5.44 (m, 2H), 5.20–4.96 (m, 2H), 4.30–4.09 (m, 1H), 3.59 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 1978.0, 149.8, 143.6, 137.9, 135.2, 133.5, 132.2, 129.6, 128.8, 128.4, 127.8, 127.4, 120.3, 118.8, 118.7, 108.4, 72.8, 64.0, 53.0, 43.4; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₄H₁₉NO₃+Na⁺ 392.1263, found 392.1262.



(1*R*,2*S*,3*R*,4*R*)-2-Benzoyl-1-hydroxy-3,4-diphenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydrodiben

zo[b,d]furan-2-carbonitrile (**5**): 2-Benzylbenzofuran-3-carbaldehyde **4** (28.3 mg, 0.12 mmol), (*E*)-2-benzoyl-3-phenylacrylonitrile **2a** (23.3 mg, 0.10 mmol), catalyst **C3** (10.2 mg, 0.02 mmol) and acid **A2** (2.8 mg, 0.02 mmol) were

dissolved in acetonitrile/toluene (0.67 mL/0.33 mL) and stirred at 4 °C for 96 h. Upon workup, product **5** was obtained by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) as a white solid (33.3 mg) in 71% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -130.3$ (c = 0.80 in CHCl₃); 17:1 dr, 76% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 80/20, 1.0 ml/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 18.29 min, t (major) = 13.93 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.88–7.74 (m, 1H), 7.46–7.37 (m, 2H), 7.36–7.29 (m, 2H), 7.29–7.21 (m, 5H), 7.16 (s, 7H), 6.99–6.80 (m, 2H), 5.97 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 4.63 (d, J = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.81 (d, J = 10.9 Hz, 1H), 3.24 (d, J = 9.9 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 197.7, 155.5, 153.5, 137.9, 137.3, 134.7, 132.3, 128.7, 128.5, 128.5, 128.3, 127.8, 127.5, 127.4, 126.2, 124.7, 123.1, 120.4, 118.7, 114.9, 111.9, 73.4, 64.4, 55.5, 45.4; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₃₂H₂₃NO₃+Na⁺492.1570, found 492.1571.

5. Synthetic transformations of [4 + 2] products



To a solution of adduct **3o** (44.9 mg, 0.1 mmol) in DMSO (1 mL) was added IBX (42 mg, 0.15 mmol), The reaction was stirred at 50 °C for 10 h. Upon workup, extraction with EtOAc and purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/15) to give the product **6** as a white solid (34.9 mg, 78% yield).

(5*R*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-(4-Methoxybenzoyl)-4-oxo-6,7-diphenyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydrobenzofuran-5-carboni trile (6): 34.9 mg, white solid, 78% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -105.1$ (*c* = 1.30 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr, 99% ee, determined by HPLC analysis[Daicel chiralpak AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 mL/min, $\lambda =$ 254 nm, t (minor) = 26.62 min, t (major) = 19.69 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 7.66–7.52 (m, 2H), 7.43 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.29–7.15 (m, 5H), 7.15–7.08 (m, 3H), 7.06–6.98 (m, 2H), 6.92–6.75 (m, 3H), 4.94 (d, J = 11.3 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (d, J = 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 182.4, 167.7, 163.5, 144.9, 144.9, 135.6, 133.7, 132.7, 131.4, 129.2, 128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 127.9, 119.7, 116.3, 113.6, 107.5, 65.6, 55.7, 55.5, 45.5; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₂₉H₂₁NO₄+Na⁺470.1363, found 470.1361.



To a solution of adduct **3a** (62 mg, 0.148 mmol) in toluene (1 mL) was added Et₃N (37.4 mg, 0.37 mmol). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. Then 4-methoxyaniline (27.3 mg, 0.22 mmol) was added in one pot and the solution was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/30) gave the product **7a** as a white solid (55 mg, 71% yield).

(4*R*,5*R*,6*R*,7*R*)-5-Benzoyl-4-((4-methoxyphenyl)amino)-6,7-diphenyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydrobenzof uran-5-carbonitrile (7a): 55 mg, white solid, 71% yield; $[α]_D^{25} = -223.0$ (*c* = 0.58 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr, 98% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak ID, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 mL/min, λ = 254 nm, t (minor) = 33.63 min, t (major) = 38.26 min]; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ(ppm) 7.36–7.23 (m, 4H), 7.23–7.07 (m, 8H), 7.06–6.88 (m, 4H), 6.76 (s, 4H), 6.38 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 5.67 (dd, *J* = 11.5, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (dd, *J* = 11.0, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.87 (d, *J* = 11.1 Hz, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 198.6, 153.7, 150.4, 143.2, 139.8, 137.9, 137.9, 135.1, 131.9, 129.6, 128.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 127.5, 127.4, 127.2, 120.1, 119.4, 116.97, 114.9, 108.7, 77.3, 77.0, 76.7, 63.5, 59.7, 56.6, 55.7, 45.3; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₃₅H₂₈N₂O₃+H⁺ 525.2173, found 525.2174.



To a solution of adduct **3u** (36.9 mg, 0.1 mmol) in toluene (1 mL) was added DBU (22.8 mg, 0.15 mmol). The reaction was stirred at room temperature for 1 h. Then 4-methoxyaniline (18.5 mg, 0.15 mmol) was added in one pot and the solution was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. Upon workup, purification by flash chromatography on silica gel (THF/petroleum ether = 1/30) gave the product **7b** as a white solid (30.8 mg, 65% yield).

(4*R*,5*R*,6*R*,7*S*)-5-Benzoyl-4-((4-methoxyphenyl)amino)-6-phenyl-7-vinyl-4,5,6,7-tetrahydroben zofuran-5-carbonitrile (7b): 30.8 mg, white solid, 65% yield; $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -187.5$ (*c* = 0.68 in CHCl₃); >19:1 dr; 71% ee, determined by HPLC analysis [Daicel chiralpak ID, *n*-hexane/*i*-PrOH = 90/10, 1.0 mL/min, $\lambda = 254$ nm, t (minor) = 19.36 min, t (major) = 29.71 min]; ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃) : δ (ppm) 7.37 (d, *J* = 14.1 Hz, 2H), 7.33–7.25 (m, 4H), 7.25–7.18 (m, 1H), 7.11 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.73 (q, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 4H), 6.34 (s, 1H), 5.66–5.45 (m, 2H), 5.20–4.99 (m, 2H), 4.24 (t, *J* = 9.5 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (d, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.69 (d, *J* = 10.9 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (150 MHz, CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 198.6, 153.7, 149.5, 143.1, 139.8, 137.9, 135.4, 133.8, 131.9, 128.9, 128.4, 127.5, 127.2, 120.2, 119.2, 119.1, 117.0, 114.9, 112.5, 109.0, 63.1, 59.6, 55.6, 53.8, 43.2; ESI-HRMS: calcd. for C₃₁H₂₆N₂O₃+H⁺475.2016, found 475.2026.





Identification code	3t
Empirical formula	$C_{32}H_{31}NO_5$
Formula weight	509.61
Temperature/K	297.6(8)
Crystal system	orthorhombic
Space group	P212121
a/Å	10.1535(2)
b/Å	10.5316(2)
c/Å	25.5650(6)
α/°	90
β/°	90
$\gamma/^{\circ}$	90
Volume/Å ³	2733.73(10)
Z	4
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.2381
μ/mm^{-1}	0.672
F(000)	1083.5
Crystal size/mm ³	$0.65 \times 0.5 \times 0.4$
Radiation	Cu Ka ($\lambda = 1.54184$)
2Θ range for data collection/°	9.08 to 145.64
Index ranges	$\begin{array}{l} -12 \leq h \leq 12, -12 \leq k \leq 12, -30 \leq l \leq \\ 30 \end{array}$
Reflections collected	24296
Independent reflections	$5334 [R_{int} = 0.0318, R_{sigma} = 0.0188]$
Data/restraints/parameters	5334/0/347
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.044
Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)]	$R_1 = 0.0432, wR_2 = 0.1184$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0447, wR_2 = 0.1208$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.14/-0.21
Flack parameter	-0.06(16)

7. NMR spectra and HPLC chromatograms





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1	18.628	BBA	0.4685	1869.03198	62.20608	6.1255
2	22.150	BBA	0.5957	2.86434e4	737.70801	93.8745







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Proposed mechanism for the [4 + 2] formal cycloaddition reaction