Chiral Aryl lodide Catalysts for the Enantioselective Synthesis of *p*-Quinols

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Materials and Methods

Unless otherwise stated, reactions were performed in flame- or oven-dried glassware under an argon or nitrogen atmosphere using anhydrous solvents. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) was distilled sodium/benzophenone. Methanol was dried over 3Å molecular sieves. from 3-Chloroperoxybenzoic acid (\leq 77%) was purchased from Aldrich. Labeled ¹⁸O water was obtained from Isoflex USA (98.03% enrichment). Unless otherwise stated, reactions were monitored using thin-layer chromatography (TLC) using plates precoated with silica gel XHL w/ UV254 (250 mm) and visualized by UV light or KMnO₄, phosphomolybdic acid, or anisaldehyde stains, followed by heating. Silica gel (particle size 32-63 mm) was used for flash column chromatography. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra are reported relative to the residual solvent peak (δ 7.26 and δ 77.2 for ¹H and ¹³C in CDCl₃, δ 3.31 and δ 49.0 for ¹H and ¹³C in CD₃OD, respectively), or tetramethylsilane (δ 0.00 for ¹H) when the residual solvent peak is obscured. Data for ¹H NMR spectra are reported as follows: chemical shift (ppm) (multiplicity, coupling constant (Hz), integration). Multiplicity is described using the following abbreviations: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, bs = broad singlet, app = apparent. IR samples were prepared on NaCl plates either neat or by evaporation from CHCl₃ or CH₂Cl₂.

Computational Methods

All geometries were fully optimized at the M06-2X level¹ of density functional theory. A mixed basis set comprised of $6-31G(d)^2$ for C, H and O and the Stuttgart/Dresden basis set and pseudopotential (SDD)³ for iodine. An ultrafine grid density was used for numerical integration.⁴ Optimizations were performed with no frozen coordinates. The effects of CH₂Cl₂ (a lower polarity solvent that is commonly used in oxidative dearomatization reactions) and CH₃CN (a polar, non-nucleophilic solvent) solvation were included in the geometry optimizations using the SMD solvation model.⁵ Energy minima and transition states were identified though frequency analysis. All calculations made use of the *Gaussian* 09 Rev A.02 suite⁶ of electronic structure programs. The Gibbs energies are included below with the atomic coordinates.

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Final structures, coordinates, and energies for the calculated structure of 7.

The final optimized geometry of each species is given below, along with the following:

- (i) Number of imaginary frequencies (frequency if present)
- (ii) Free energy (G) at 298.15 K and 1 atm. All energies are quoted in Hartrees.

Compound 7 in CH₂Cl₂



(side view)

(top view, phenol is shaded darker)

I	-1.195000	-0.604700	-0.499300
С	-0.343400	1.292300	-0.093900
С	0.903300	3.701800	0.363800
С	-0.416000	2.275400	-1.073600
С	0.339000	1.471300	1.103900
С	0.965400	2.696900	1.326800
С	0.216400	3.493800	-0.831100
Н	-0.948300	2.099900	-2.002700
Н	0.391900	0.677700	1.842100
Н	1.506400	2.858300	2.253600
Н	0.169900	4.277300	-1.580700
Н	1.396800	4.651700	0.543200
0	0.584300	-1.033700	-1.562500
С	1.737300	-1.008900	-0.847700
С	4.166500	-0.930700	0.590600
С	2.030300	-1.990500	0.105000
С	2.664700	0.017500	-1.071600
С	3.861300	0.046400	-0.364600
С	3.230000	-1.943900	0.812000
Н	1.310800	-2.785900	0.283700
Н	2.425500	0.786600	-1.800800

Н	4.572300	0.848500	-0.550300
Н	3.443800	-2.714900	1.548500
С	5.471600	-0.887800	1.344000
Н	6.320500	-1.075300	0.676700
Н	5.496200	-1.642400	2.135000
Н	5.633500	0.092300	1.805100
0	-2.876400	0.245700	0.608500
С	-3.826000	-0.646600	0.738900
0	-3.736100	-1.782100	0.282700
С	-5.032700	-0.153300	1.499400
Н	-5.430400	0.743000	1.016200
Н	-4.735300	0.120800	2.515500
Н	-5.796600	-0.930100	1.533400

*** 0 imaginary frequencies *** G = -817.049054

Compound 7 in CH₃CN





(side view)

I	-1.266200	-0.614100	-0.473400
С	-0.226600	1.198400	-0.133400
С	1.303200	3.453300	0.241800
С	-0.122500	2.110800	-1.175800
С	0.413600	1.371600	1.088600
С	1.184100	2.519300	1.269800
С	0.651900	3.253000	-0.974000
Н	-0.625500	1.938600	-2.121900
Н	0.325100	0.630000	1.875800
Н	1.696200	2.674600	2.213900
Н	0.745400	3.982000	-1.772600
Н	1.908600	4.342000	0.388900
0	0.486800	-1.273500	-1.475900
С	1.648700	-1.161300	-0.786600

(top view, phenol is shaded darker)

С	4.085600	-0.879200	0.616300
С	1.911200	-1.939700	0.345800
С	2.615000	-0.239600	-1.213700
С	3.813500	-0.109000	-0.521600
С	3.114800	-1.793500	1.033700
Н	1.162100	-2.651300	0.685000
Н	2.403500	0.371000	-2.087000
Н	4.552000	0.611900	-0.866200
Н	3.303400	-2.405300	1.912700
С	5.385600	-0.715300	1.361800
Н	6.244300	-0.918300	0.712600
Н	5.439800	-1.396300	2.215500
Н	5.500500	0.307200	1.738200
0	-2.871100	0.449600	0.558300
С	-3.903000	-0.339100	0.727300
0	-3.922800	-1.500100	0.330900
С	-5.057400	0.307600	1.452500
Н	-5.386100	1.192900	0.901400
Н	-4.729200	0.634800	2.443000
Н	-5.882100	-0.398600	1.549300

*** 0 imaginary frequencies *** G = -817.049128

Potential energy scan of compound 7

A relaxed scan of the C2–I–O13–C14 dihedral in **7** was performed to confirm that the originally obtained structures were indeed minima. Scans were performed in the gas phase and with CH_3CN and CH_2CI_2 . The scan involved stepping the dihedral angle in 30° increments starting at 0°. The plot for each scan is shown in Figures S1 and S2. In both cases, the global minimum corresponds to the originally obtained structures, or their enantiomer.





Figure S1. Relaxed scan of C2–I–O13–C14 dihedral with CH₃CN solvation.



Figure S2. Relaxed scan of C2–I–O13–C14 dihedral with CH₂Cl₂ solvation.

Aryl Iodide Catalyst Scope





entry	R^1	R^2		temp	MeCN:H ₂ O	time (h)	yield (%)	er
1	Ме	ОН	(8a)	rt	2:1	1.5	36	60:40
2	Me	morpholine	(8b)	rt	3:1	1.5	33	59:41
3	Ме	NHPh	(8c)	rt	3:1	1.5	19	60:40
4	Ме	NHBn	(8d)	rt	3:1	1.5	34	61:39
5	Me	NHMes	(8e)	rt	2:1	1.5	47	63:37
6	Br	NHPh	(8c)	rt	9:1	16	48	40:60
7	Br	NHBn	(8d)	rt	2:1	1.5	20	40:60
8	Br	NHMes	(8e)	rt	2:1	0.3	45	35:65
		Br						
9	Br		(8f)	rt	9:1	16	80	37:63
10	TMS		(01)	rt	9:1	16	94	28:72
11	Br		(8g)	rt	9:1	16	75	57:43
12	Br	HN	(8h)	rt	9:1	16	70	37:63
13	Br	HN	(8i)	rt	9:1	16	52	40:60

	OH Me Me 4a	Ar*1 <i>m</i> -CP MeC	E (10 mol %) BA (2.2 equiv) SN-H ₂ O (2:1)	Me Me Me OH 5a		
entry	Ar*l		temp (°C)	time (h)	yield (%)	er
1	HO I Me Me	(S1)	rt	1	27	44:56
2		(S2)	rt	1.5	29	46:54
3	HO I Ph	(S3)	rt	1	28	47:53
4	MesHN I Ph	(S4)	rt	1	35	46:54
5	HO I O Me	(S5)	rt	1	39	45:55

Table S2: Other Aryl lodide Catalysts Results

	OH R ¹ R ² Me	Ar*I (10 mol %) m-CPBA (2.2 equiv) solvent		OR MesHN-		Ves	
entry ^a	substrate	product	temp	solvent MeCN:H ₂ O	time (h)	yield (%)	er
1	OH Me Me		rt rt	2:1 9:1	1.5 16	47 52	38:62 38:62
2	Br Me	Br H Me OH	0 °C rt rt	2:1 2:1 9:1	3 0.3 16	21 45 52	32:68 35:65 35:65
3	CI Me		0 °C rt	2:1 9:1	1 16	76 65	35:65 35:65
4	TMS Me OH	TMS Me OH	0 °C 0 °C rt	2:1 9:1 9:1	0.5 7 16	21 58 79	24:76 ^b 21:79 25:75
5	Me OH	Me OH	0 °C rt	2:1 9:1	0.5 16	23 43	47:53 ^b 50:50
6	Me MeO Me OH		0 °C	2:1	1	20	33:67
7	TMS i.Pr OH	TMS i-Pr OH o	rt	9:1	16	53	67:33
8	TBS	TBS i-Pr OH Q	rt	9:1	16	41	38:62
9	Br CO ₂ H	Br Co	0 °C	1:0	1	27	40:60 ^c
10	OH Br Me	Br Me OMe	0 °C	MeOH	3	60	35:65

Table S3: Full Results of Substrate Scope

^a all reactions carried out on a 0.17 mmol scale with 2.2 equiv of *m*-CPBA, 10 mol % catalyst. ^b quinol product was converted to the *t*-butyl malonate derivative in order for separation on the HPLC ^c spirolactone product was transesterified with aqueous MeOH–NaHCO₃ in order for separation on the HPLC

Table S4: Solvent Screen Results



entry	solvent (9:1)	yield (%)	er	
1	MeCN-H ₂ O	53	67:33	
2	THF-H ₂ O	33	62:38	
3	CF ₃ CH ₂ OH-H ₂ O	<10	nd	
4	MeNO ₂ -H ₂ O	62	53:47	
5	acetone-H ₂ O	66	68:32	

Table S5: Ishihara Catalysts with Phenol 4c

	OH TMS Me 4c	I (10 mol %) BA (2.2 equiv) IeCN-H ₂ O	TMS Me OH 5c			
entry	R	temp	MeCN:H₂O	time [h]	yield [%]	er
1	3,5-dimethyl	0 °C	2:1	2	36	61:39
2	mesityl	rt	9:1	16	57	67:33

Experimental Procedures

Synthesis of Aryl lodide Catalysts

General Procedure A: Ketalization with (+)-Dimethyl L-tartrate

The aryl iodoketone (1 equiv) was dissolved in methanol (0.65 M) and treated with trimethyl orthoformate (5 equiv) followed by *p*-toluenesulfonic acid monohydrate (10 mol %). The mixture was refluxed overnight and then concentrated in vacuo. In the same flask, the residue was dissolved in toluene (0.2 M) and (+)-dimethyl L-tartrate (2.1 equiv) was added, followed by $BF_3 \cdot OEt_2$ (5 mol %). The mixture was heated and the methanol removed by azeotrope. After 3 h, the reaction was cooled to r.t., quenched with saturated aq. NaHCO₃, and extracted with EtOAc (3×). The combined organic layers were washed with brine and then concentrated under reduced pressure to give a viscous oil. The oil was treated with a 1:1 mixture of MeOH and 2 N NaOH for 1 hr, and then transferred to a separatory funnel. The aqueous layer was washed with ether, acidified with 10% aq. HCl, and then extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, and concentrated under reduced pressure.

General Procedure B: Amide Synthesis

The aryl iodotartrate was dissolved in DCM (0.1 M) and treated with oxalyl chloride (3.5 equiv) and DMF (10 μ L) at room temperature for 3 h. The resulting dark solution was concentrated in vacuo and re-dissolved in DCM (0.2 M). Into the same flask was added the respective aniline or amine (4 equiv) and pyridine (4 equiv). The mixture was stirred at r.t. overnight, then quenched with 10% aq. HCl and extracted with DCM. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (hexanes/EtOAc).

(4*R*,5*R*)-8'-iodo-3',4'-dihydro-2'*H*-spiro[[1,3]dioxolane-2,1'-naphthalene]-4,5-dicarboxylic acid (8a).



The iodo tetralone⁷ (902 mg, 3.31 mmol) was dissolved in dry methanol (5 mL, 0.65 M) and to this was added trimethyl orthoformate (2.5 mL, 23 mmol), which was followed by *p*-toluenesulfonic acid monohydrate (2 mg). The reaction was refluxed overnight, concentrated in vacuo, and carried on immediately without isolation. Into the same flask was added dry benzene (4 mL), 3 Å molecular sieves, (+)-dimethyl L-tartrate (890 mg, 4.97 mmol), and scandium triflate (2 mg). The resulting mixture was stirred, heated to 90 °C, and left open to the atmosphere for 3 h. After such time, the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo and the resulting residue was dissolved in EtOAc, transferred to a separatory funnel and washed with saturated aq. NaHCO₃, H₂O, and brine. It was then dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure, affording a viscous, colorless oil. This was treated with MeOH (2 mL) and 2 N NaOH (2 mL) for 1.5 h. After such time, the mixture was extracted with EtOAc and the aqueous layer acidified with 10% aq. HCl. The product was extracted with EtOAc, dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure to give a reddish orange solid (844 mg, 63% yield). No further purification was performed.

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IR (thin film) 3052, 2942, 2624, 1728, 1437, 1165, 1096 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 7.85 (dd, J = 7.7, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.08 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (bs, exchangeable OHs), 2.85 (t, J = 6.1 Hz, 2H), 2.24–2.16 (m, 1H), 2.07 (dd, J = 7.9, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 1.85 (dt, J = 11.2, 5.6 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 174.1 (C), 171.5 (C), 143.7, (C) 141.9 (CH), 134.8 (C), 131.4 (CH), 130.6 (CH), 111.9 (C), 94.7 (C), 78.0 (CH), 35.7 (CH₂), 32.1 (CH₂), 20.8 (CH₂).

HRMS (ESI–) 402.9684 calculated for $C_{14}H_{12}IO_6$ found 402.9672

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{24}$ – 10.2 (c 0.02, MeOH)

(4*R*,5*R*)-8'-iodo-3',4'-dihydro-2'*H*-spiro[[1,3]dioxolane-2,1'-naphthalene]-4,5-dicarboxylic acid (8b).



Using general procedure B, **8b** was synthesized from **8a** in 81% yield after flash column chromatography (4:1 hexanes/EtOAc).

IR (thin film) 2958, 2924, 2857, 1644, 1441, 1274, 1114, 978 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl3): δ 7.87 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.77 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 5.66 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.92–3.49 (m, 16H), 2.84 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 2.11–2.07 (m, 2H), 1.85–1.77 (m, 2H).

HRMS (ESI+) 565.0806 calculated for $C_{22}H_{27}IN_2NaO_6$ found 565.0799

(4R,5R)-8'-iodo- N^4 , N^5 -diphenyl-3',4'-dihydro-2'*H*-spiro[[1,3]dioxolane-2,1'-naphthalene]-4,5-dicarboxamide (8c).



Using general procedure B, **8c** was obtained from **8a** and isolated as an orange solid in 74% yield after purification by flash column chromatography (4:1 hexanes/EtOAc).

IR (thin film) 3383, 3288, 3055, 2933, 1699, 1599, 1538, 1445, 1095 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.03 (s, 1H), 8.63 (s, 1H), 7.92 (dd, J = 7.8, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 7.67–7.63 (m, 4H), 7.41–7.33 (m, 4H), 7.21–7.12 (m, 3H), 6.97 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.25 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.05 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.91 (dq, J = 9.7, 5.1 Hz, 2H), 2.30–2.14 (m, 2H), 1.92 (qd, J = 9.1, 4.3 Hz, 2H).

¹³**C** NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 168.3 (C), 167.1 (C), 142.8 (C), 141.2 (CH), 137.6 (C), 136.6 (C), 133.0 (C), 130.8 (CH), 129.9 (CH), 129.3 (CH × 2), 129.2 (CH × 2), 125.3 (CH), 124.7 (CH), 120.5 (CH × 2), 119.8 (CH × 2), 111.5 (C), 94.0 (C), 78.4 (CH), 77.3 (CH), 34.9 (CH₂), 31.3 (CH₂), 19.9 (CH₂).

HRMS (ESI+) 577.0595 calculated for $C_{26}H_{23}IN_2NaO_4$ found 577.0641

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$ – 37.2 (c 0.01, EtOAc)

(4*R*,5*R*)-*N*⁴,*N*⁵-dibenzyl-8'-iodo-3',4'-dihydro-2'*H*-spiro[[1,3]dioxolane-2,1'-naphthalene]-4,5-dicarboxamide (8d).



Using general procedure B, **8d** was obtained from **8a** and isolated as a brown solid in 86% yield after purification by flash column chromatography (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc).

(4*R*,5*R*)-8'-iodo-*N*⁴,*N*⁵-dimesityl-3',4'-dihydro-2'*H*-spiro[[1,3]dioxolane-2,1'-naphthalene]-4,5-dicarboxamide (8e).



Using general procedure B, **8e** was obtained from **8a** and isolated as a brown solid in 86% yield after purification by flash column chromatography (3:1 hexanes/EtOAc).

IR (thin film) 3368, 3267, 3006, 2947, 2920, 2863, 1704, 1510, 1093 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.44 (s, 2H), 7.91 (d, J = 7.5 1H), 7.15 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.95–6.90 (m, 5H), 5.44 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.93–2.87 (m, 2H), 2.40–2.35 (m, 1H), 2.27 (s, 12H), 2.25 (s, 6H), 2.00–1.93 (m, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCI₃, DEPT) δ 169.3 (C), 166.4 (C), 142.6 (C), 141.2 (CH), 137.3 (C), 135.0 (C × 2), 134.9 (C × 2), 133.2 (C), 130.7 (CH), 130.3 (C), 130.2 (C), 129.8 (CH), 129.2 (CH × 4), 111.1 (C), 94.1 (C), 78.0 (CH), 77.7 (CH), 34.8 (CH₂), 31.4 (CH₂), 21.0 (CH₃ × 2), 20.0 (CH₂), 19.1 (CH₃ × 2), 18.7 (CH₃ × 2).

HRMS (ESI+) 661.1534 calculated for $C_{32}H_{35}IN_2NaO_4$ found 661.1531

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{24}$ + 4.4 (c 0.01, MeOH)

 $(4R,5R)-N^4,N^5$ -bis(2,6-dibromo-4-isopropylphenyl)-8'-iodo-3',4'-dihydro-2'*H*-spiro[[1,3]dioxolane-2,1'-naphthalene]-4,5-dicarboxamide (8f).



Using general procedure B, **8f** was obtained from **8a** and isolated as a brown solid in 76% yield after purification by flash column chromatography (9:1 hexanes/EtOAc).

IR (thin film) 3379, 3258, 2961, 2869, 1724, 1681, 1501, 1096 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.73 (s, 1H), 8.63 (s, 1H), 7.91 (d, J = 8.0, 1H), 7.46 (s, 2H), 7.44 (s, 2H), 7.14 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.56 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 2.95–2.83 (m, 4H), 2.40–2.27 (m, 2H), 1.98–1.95 (m, 2H), 1.232 (d, J = 6.9, 6H), 1.227 (d, J = 6.9).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 169.3 (C), 166.1 (C), 151.7 (C), 151.6 (C), 142.6 (C), 141.1 (CH), 133.1 (C), 131.11 (C), 131.05 (C), 130.74 (CH), 130.69 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 123.7 (C), 123.6 (C), 111.5 (C), 94.6 (C), 77.6 (CH), 77.2 (CH), 35.0 (CH₂), 33.75 (CH), 33.73 (CH), 31.4 (CH₂), 23.7 (CH₃ × 4), 20.1 (CH₂).

HRMS (ESI+) 976.7917 calculated for C₃₂H₃₁Br₄IN₂NaO₄ found 976.7964

(4*R*,5*R*)-*N*⁴,*N*⁵-bis(3,5-bis(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-8'-iodo-3',4'-dihydro-2'*H*-spiro[[1,3]dioxolane-2,1'-naphthalene]-4,5-dicarboxamide (8g).



Using general procedure B, **8g** was obtained from **8a** and isolated as a yellow solid in 51% yield after purification by flash column chromatography (5:1 hexanes/EtOAc).

IR (thin film) 3267, 2924, 1708, 1381, 1278, 1137 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.11 (s, 1H), 8.77 (s, 1H), 8.15 (s, 4H), 7.92 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.66 (s, 1H), 7.16 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 5.11 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 2.88 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 2.27–2.06 (m, 2H), 1.93 (t, J = 4.6 Hz, 2H).

¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 168.8 (C), 167.7 (C), 142.8 (C), 141.2 (CH), 138.8 (C), 137.9 (C), 132.9 d, *J* = 18.8 Hz, C–CF₃), 132.6 (d, *J* = 18.8 Hz, C–CF₃), 131.2 (CH), 130.1 (CH),

123.15 (d, J = 271.3 Hz, CF₃), 123.08 (d, J = 272.5 Hz, CF₃), 120.0 (CH), 119.6 (CH), 118.8 (m, CH),⁸ 118.2 (m, CH),⁸ 112.19 (C), 78.3 (CH), 77.0 (CH), 34.9 (CH₂), 31.2 (CH₂), 19.8 (CH₂). **HRMS** (ESI+) 849.0090 calculated for C₃₀H₁₉F₁₂IN₂NaO₄ found 849.0080

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25} - 4.0$ (c 0.01, EtOAc)

(4R,5R)-N4,N5-di(anthracen-9-yl)-8'-iodo-3',4'-dihydro-2'H-spiro[[1,3]dioxolane-2,1'naphthalene]-4,5-dicarboxamide (8h).



Using general procedure B, **8h** was obtained from **8a** and isolated as a yellow solid in 45% yield after purification by flash column chromatography (9:1 hexanes/EtOAc).

IR (thin film) 3358, 3053, 2924, 2853, 1670, 1496, 1354 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.23 (s, 1H), 9.05 (s, 1H), 8.49 (s, 1H), 8.43 (s, 1H), 8.30 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 8.13 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 8.04 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (app d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H, 1H), 7.58 (app t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.52–7.44 (m, 6H), 7.22 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.99 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.98 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 5.68 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.02–2.92 (m, 2H), 2.60 (dt, J = 9.3, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.45 (td, J = 12.4, 3.3 Hz, 1H), 2.11–2.01 (m, 2H).

¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 169.9 (C), 168.5 (C), 142.9 (C), 141.2 (CH), 133.2 (C), 131.71 (C), 131.66 (C), 130.8 (CH), 130.0 (CH), 128.9 (CH × 2), 128.8 (CH × 2), 128.2 (C), 128.0 (C), 127.7 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 126.8 (C), 126.7 (CH × 2), 126.6 (CH × 2), 126.1 (C), 125.5 (CH × 2), 125.4 (CH × 2), 123.4 (CH × 2), 123.2 (CH × 2), 111.9 (C), 94.2 (C), 78.6 (CH), 78.4 (CH), 35.0 (CH₂), 31.4 (CH₂), 20.1 (CH₂).

HRMS (ESI+) 777.1221 calculated for $C_{42}H_{31}IN_2NaO_4^+$ found 777.1296

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{24}$ + 30.6 (*c* 0.004, EtOAc)

(4R,5R)-8'-iodo- N^4 , N^5 -di(naphthalen-1-yl)-3',4'-dihydro-2'*H*-spiro[[1,3]dioxolane-2,1'-naphthalene]-4,5-dicarboxamide (8i).



Using general procedure B, **8i** was obtained from **8a** and isolated as a brown solid in 71% yield after purification by flash column chromatography (8:1 hexanes/EtOAc).

IR (thin film) 3296, 3054, 2925, 2854, 1711, 1670, 1598, 1503, 1260, 1095 cm⁻¹

⁽⁸⁾ Complex splitting due to multiple C–F coupling interactions.

¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.52 (s, 1H), 9.17 (s, 1H), 8.26 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 8.19 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 8.13 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.05–8.03 (m, 1H), 7.94 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.90–7.88 (m, 2H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.56–7.50 (m, 6H), 7.20 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.59 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 5.31 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.00–2.90 (m, 2H), 2.35 (qt, J = 13.1, 6.3 Hz, 2H), 2.00 (dt, J = 11.3, 5.9 Hz, 2H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 169.1 (C), 167.8 (C), 142.8 (C), 141.2 (CH), 134.3 (C), 134.2 (C), 133.2 (C), 132.2 (C), 131.4 (C), 130.8 (CH), 129.9 (CH), 128.9 (CH), 126.9 (C), 126.7 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 126.49 (C), 126.46 (CH), 126.3 (CH), 126.2 (CH), 125.9 (CH), 125.8 (CH), 125.6 (CH), 121.3 (CH), 120.8 (CH), 120.4 (CH), 119.5 (CH), 111.8 (C), 94.1 (C), 78.8 (CH), 78.0 (CH), 35.1 (CH₂), 31.4 (CH₂), 20.01 (CH₂).

HRMS (ESI+) 677.0908 calculated for $C_{34}H_{27}IN_2NaO_4^+$ found 677.0914

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{26}$ – 51.6 (c 0.01, EtOAc)

(4R,5R)-2-(2-iodophenyl)-2-methyl-1,3-dioxolane-4,5-dicarboxylic acid (S1).



Using general procedure A, **S1** was synthesized from commercially available 2iodoacetephenone. A yellow solid was obtained (38% yield).

IR (thin film) 3405, 3059, 2991, 2933, 1727, 1605, 1426, 1191, 1085 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 7.92 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (td, J = 7.6, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (td, J = 7.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.04 (bs, exchangeable OHs), 4.61 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.39 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 1.84 (s, 3H).

¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 173.4 (C), 173.1 (C), 144.8 (CH), 143.2 (C), 130.8 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 112.5 (C), 93.5 (C), 78.4 (CH), 77.5 (CH), 26.6 (CH₃).

HRMS (ESI–) 376.9528 calculated for $C_{12}H_{10}IO_6$ found 376.9483

[α]²⁶_D + 28.6 (c 0.03, MeOH)

(4R,5R)-2-(2-iodophenyl)- N^4 , N^5 -dimesityl-2-methyl-1,3-dioxolane-4,5-dicarboxamide (S2).



Compound **S2** was synthesized from **S1** using general procedure B and purified by flash column chromatography (1:0 hexanes \rightarrow 4:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to obtain a brown solid (81% yield).

IR (thin film) 3358, 3269, 2919, 1695, 1506, 1189 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.96 (s, 1H), 8.48 (s, 1H), 7.94 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (s, 2H),

6.84 (s, 2H), 4.94 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 4.77 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 2.22 (s, 6H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 1.87 (bs, 6H).

¹³**C** NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 169.1 (C), 165.5 (C), 142.9 (C), 142.6 (CH), 137.6 (C), 136.9 (C), 135.0 (C), 134.8 (C), 130.5 (CH), 129.5 (C), 129.1 (CH), 129.0 (CH), 127.4 (CH), 112.5 (C), 93.7 (C), 78.4 (CH), 77.3 (CH), 26.6 (CH₃), 21.1 (CH₃), 18.6 (CH₃), 18.0 (CH₃).

HRMS (ESI+) 635.1277 calculated for $C_{30}H_{33}IN_2NaO_4$ found 635.1418

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$ + 12.3 (c 0.01, EtOAc)

(4R,5R)-2-(2-iodophenyl)-2-phenyl-1,3-dioxolane-4,5-dicarboxylic acid (S3).



Using general procedure A, **S3** was synthesized from known compound 2-iodoacetephenone.⁹ A beige solid was obtained (37% yield).

IR (thin film) 3061, 2627, 1733, 1450, 1248, 1202, 1105 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CD₃OD) δ 7.93 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.45–7.37 (m, 3H), 7.32–7.30 (m, 3H), 7.03 (td, J = 7.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (bs, exchangeable OHs), 4.88 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H).

¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 171.8 (C), 171.6 (C), 143.3 (CH), 143.0 (C), 140.5 (C), 131.28 (CH), 130.3 (CH), 129.9 (CH), 129.8 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 114.1 (C), 96.2 (C), 78.8 (CH), 78.1 (CH).

HRMS (ESI-) 438.9684 calculated for C17H12IO6 found 438.9621

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$ + 22.0 (*c* 0.01, EtOH)

(4R,5R)-2-(2-iodophenyl)- N^4 , N^5 -dimesityl-2-phenyl-1,3-dioxolane-4,5-dicarboxamide (S4).



Using general procedure B, **S4** was synthesized from **S3** and purified by flash column chromatography (1:0 \rightarrow 4:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to afford a beige solid (55% yield).

IR (thin film) 3370, 3267, 3059, 2919, 2857, 1699, 1506, 1201, 1100 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.53 (s, 1H), 8.39 (s, 1H), 8.03 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.53–7.45 (m, 3H), 7.39–7.34 (m, 3H), 7.08 (td, J = 7.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (s, 2H), 6.84 (s, 2H), 5.18 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.07 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (d, J = 3.9 Hz, 6H), 2.16 (s, 6H), 1.92 (s, 6H).

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¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 168.0 (C), 166.1 (C), 142.6 (CH), 141.4 (C), 138.4 (C), 137.4 (C), 137.1 (C), 135.0 (C), 134.9 (C), 130.9 (CH), 130.3 (C), 129.8 (C), 129.5 (CH), 129.1 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 128.3 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 113.5 (C), 95.8 (C), 79.1 (CH), 78.3 (CH), 21.0 (CH₃), 18.6 (CH₃), 18.2 (CH₃).

HRMS (ESI+) 697.1534 calculated for C₃₅H₃₅IN₂NaO₄ found 697.1580

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$ + 44.0 (*c* 0.004, EtOAc)

(4R,5R)-2-(1-iodonaphthalen-2-yl)-2-methyl-1,3-dioxolane-4,5-dicarboxylic acid (S5).



Compound **S5** was synthesized from known compound 1-(1-iodonaphthalen-2-yl)ethanone¹⁰ using general procedure A, affording a brown solid (34% yield).

IR (thin film) 3057, 2934, 1734, 1224, 1092 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CD₃OD): δ 8.45 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.83–7.76 (m, 2H), 7.58–7.47 (m, 2H), 4.97 (bs, exchangeable OHs), 4.77 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 4.72 (d, J = 6.1 Hz, 1H), 2.00 (s, 3H).

¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CD₃OD, DEPT) δ 172.4 (C), 171.8 (C), 144.4 (C), 136.9 (C), 135.1 (CH), 134.8 (C), 129.8 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.0 (CH), 126.0 (CH), 114.3 (C), 100.7 (C), 78.9 (CH), 77.3 (CH), 26.9 (CH₃).

HRMS (ESI–) 426.9684 calculated for $C_{16}H_{12}IO_6$ found 426.9688

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{26}$ + 45.4 (c 0.01, MeOH)

Synthesis of Phenol Substrates

Substrates 4a-f were synthesized as previously described.¹¹

2-(tert-butyldimethylsilyl)-4-methylphenol (4g).¹²

TBS

Into a round bottom flask was placed commercially available 2-bromo-4-methyl phenol (1.96 g, 10.5 mmol), imidazole (0.93 g, 13.6 mmol) and DCM (12 mL) and cooled to 0 °C. The TBS-CI (1.9 g, 12.6 mmol) was then added and the reaction stirred overnight, allowing to slowly warm to r.t. The DCM was removed in vacuo, giving a colorless oil. Into the same flask

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was added THF (30 mL) and the solution was cooled to -78 °C under N₂. To this, *n*-BuLi (2.5 M, 4.2 mL) was slowly added. The reaction was allowed to slowly warm to r.t. and after 2 h was quenched with saturated aq. NH₄Cl. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc and the combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude oil was purified by flash column chromatography (1:0 hexanes \rightarrow 9:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give a pale yellow oil (1.99 g, 86% yield).

IR (thin film) 3537, 2953, 2927, 2855, 1493, 1388, 1254, 822 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.15 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 4.68 (s, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 0.94 (s, 9H), 0.34 (s, 6H).

¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 158.5 (C), 137.2 (CH), 131.3 (CH), 129.1 (C), 122.5 (C), 114.9 (CH), 27.0 (CH₃ × 3), 20.7 (CH₃), 17.7 (C), -4.6 (CH₃ × 2).

LRMS (ESI+) 221.14 calculated for C₁₃H₂₁NaOSi found 221.19

4-methyl-2-(triisopropylsilyl)phenol (4h).



 h_{Me} Phenol **4h** was synthesized from 2-bromo-4-methyl phenol in the same fashion as **4g**, except that TIPS-CI was used instead of TBS-CI. A white solid (30% yield) was obtained after purification by flash column chromatography (50:1 hexanes/EtOAc).

IR (thin film) 3522, 2942, 2861, 1492, 1386, 1175 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.17 (d, *J* = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 4.53 (s, 1H), 2.28 (s, 3H), 1.48 (sept, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 1.10 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 18H).

¹³**C** NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 158.6 (C), 137.7 (CH), 130.9 (CH), 129.1 (C), 120.3 (C), 114.8 (CH), 19.03 (CH₃ × 7), 11.8 (CH × 3).

HRMS (ESI+) 263.1837 calculated for $C_{16}H_{27}NaOSi$ found 263.1211

4-isopropyl-2-(trimethylsilyl)phenol (4i).¹¹



Phenol **4g** was synthesized from commercially available 2-bromo-4-isopropyl phenol. A colorless oil (61% yield) was obtained after purification by flash column chromatography (95:5 hexanes/EtOAc).

IR (thin film) 3535, 2958, 2898, 2870, 11596, 1403, 1314, 1245, 1074, 862, 838 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) 7.29 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (dd, J = 8.2, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (d, J = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 2.93 (hept, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 1.31 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 6H), 0.41 (s, 9H).

¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 158.5 (C), 140.7 (C), 133.5 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 125.2 (C), 114.5 (CH), 33.5 (CH), 24.5 (CH₃ × 2), -0.72 (CH₃ × 3).

2-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)-4-isopropylphenol (4j).¹²



TBS

Into a round bottom flask was placed commercially available 2-bromo-4-isopropyl phenol (763 mg, 3.55 mmol), imidazole (314 mg, 4.61 mmol) and DCM (3.5 mL) and cooled to 0 °C. The TBS-CI (64 mg, 4.3 mmol) was then added and the reaction stirred overnight, allowing to slowly warm to r.t. The DCM was removed in vacuo, giving a colorless oil. Into the same flask was added THF (20 mL) and the solution was cooled to -78 °C under N₂. To this, *n*-BuLi (2.5 M, 1.4 mL) was slowly added. The reaction was allowed to slowly warm to r.t. and after 2 h was quenched with saturated aq. NH₄CI. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc and the combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude oil was purified by flash column chromatography (1:0 hexanes \rightarrow 9:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to give a pale yellow oil (696 mg, 78% yield).

IR (thin film) 3610, 3011, 2957, 2927, 2856, 1595, 1487, 1402, 1314, 1176, 1073 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.20 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (dd, J = 8.2, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 4.67 (s, 1H), 2.87 (hept, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 1.24 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 6H), 0.93 (s, 9H), 0.35 (s, 6H).

¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 158.7 (C), 140.3 (C), 134.8 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 122.3 (C), 114.8 (CH), 33.5 (CH), 26.9 (CH₃ × 3), 24.4 (CH₃ × 2), 17.8 (C), -4.6 (CH₃ × 2).

LRMS (CI) 251 calculated for C₁₅H₂₇OSi⁺ found 251

2-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)-4-(3-hydroxypropyl)phenol (9).

Into a vial was placed 3-(3-bromo-4-hydroxyphenyl)propanoic acid (206 mg, 0.841 mmol) and dissolved in THF (4 mL). At 0 °C, BH₃•S(CH₃)₂ (110 µL) was added dropwise. The mixture was stirred for 2 h and MeOH was then added slowly until bubbling ceased. The mixture was diluted with EtOAc and washed with brine $(3 \times 2 \text{ mL})$, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated. The crude oil was dissolved in DCM (1 mL), cooled to 0 °C and treated with imidazole (143 mg, 2.10 mmol) followed by TBS-CI (317 mg, 2.10 mmol). The mixture stirred overnight, slowly warming to rt. After such time, the mixture was diluted with EtOAc and filtered over a plug of celite. The solvent was removed and the crude oil was stirred in THF (5 mL) and cooled to -98 °C under N₂. n-BuLi (400 µL) was added slowly dropwise. The mixture was allowed to warm to rt slowly and stir for 1 h. After such time, a saturated solution of NH₄Cl was added and the product extracted with EtOAc (3×3 mL). The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried with Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated. The crude product was dissolved in ethanol (8 mL) and pyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (21 mg, 0.084 mmol) was added and the mixture stirred rt overnight. After such time, the ethanol was removed in vacuo and the product was purified by flash column chromatography (4:1 hexanes/EtOAc). A white solid was obtained (66.0 mg) in 29% yield over four steps.

IR (thin film) 3335, 2951, 2928, 2855, 1509, 1471, 1401, 1254, 836 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.14 (s, 1H), 7.05 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (s, 1H), 3.69-3.68 (m, 2H), 2.63 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.86 (quintet, J = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 0.90 (s, 9H), 0.32 (s, 6H).

¹³**C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 159.0 (C), 136.6 (CH), 133.1 (C), 130.6 (CH), 122.7 (C), 115.0 (CH), 62.6 (CH₂), 34.8 (CH₂), 31.5 (CH₂), 27.0 (CH₃ × 3), 17.8 (C), -4.6 (CH₃ × 2).

HRMS (ESI+) 289.1594 calculated for C₁₅H₂₆NaO₂Si found 289.1595

Synthesis of Racemic Quinols

Quinols **5a**, **5b**, **5c**, **5e**, and **5f** were prepared as previously described.¹¹

2-chloro-4-hydroxy-4-methylcyclohexa-2,5-dienone (5d).



TBS.

 $Me^{\frown}OH$ Commercially available 2-chloro-4-methyl phenol (20 µL, 0.16 mmol) was dissolved in a mixture of MeCN/H₂O (0.17 M, 2:1). (Diacetoxyiodo)benzene (56 mg, 0.17 mmol) was added and the mixture was stirred r.t. overnight. The mixture was then quenched with saturated aq. NaHCO₃ and extracted with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The resulting residue was purified by flash column chromatography (4:1 hexanes/EtOAc) and a yellow crystalline solid (18 mg, 67% yield) was isolated.

IR (thin film) 3406, 3047, 2981, 2930, 1673, 1644, 1603, 1130, 1057 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.05 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 6.21 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 2.44 (s, 1H), 1.53 (s, 4H).

¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 178.5 (C), 152.4 (CH), 148.0 (CH), 131.7 (C), 126.2 (CH), 69.4 (C), 26.8 (CH₃).

HRMS (ESI+) 181.0027 calculated for $C_7H_7CINaO_2^+$ found 181.0021

2-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)-4-hydroxy-4-methylcyclohexa-2,5-dienone (5g).

 $M_{e}^{\frown}OH$ Into a 1 dram vial was placed **4g** (48.1 mg, 0.22 mmol) and 4-iodotoluene (10 mol %, 7 mg) in a mixture of acetonitrile/H₂O (1.3 mL, 9:1). Last was added *m*-CPBA (107 mg, 0.41 mmol) and the mixture was capped and stirred overnight at r.t. After such time, the reaction was quenched with 10% aq Na₂S₂O₃ (1 mL) and stirred 5 min before saturated aq. NaHCO₃ (1 mL) was added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 1 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (5:1 hexanes/EtOAc). A white solid was obtained (23.5 mg, 46% yield).

IR (thin film) 3384, 2954, 2928, 2856, 1655, 1618, 1363, 1249, 1058, 838 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.04 (d, *J* = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (dd, *J* = 10.0, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 2.11 (s, 1H), 1.45 (s, 3H), 0.87 (s, 9H), 0.17 (app d, 6H).

¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 188.0 (C), 161.6 (CH), 150.6 (CH), 137.6 (C), 128.4 (CH), 67.1 (C), 27.3 (CH₃). 27.2 (CH₃ × 3), 17.0 (C), -5.2 (CH₃), -5.3 (CH₃).

HRMS (ESI+) 261.1281 calculated for C₁₃H₂₂NaO₂Si found 261.1297

4-hydroxy-4-methyl-2-(triisopropylsilyl)cyclohexa-2,5-dienone (5h).

 Me^{OH} Dienone **5h** was synthesized from **4h** in the same fashion as **5g**. A white solid (59% yield) was obtained after purification by flash column chromatography (5:1 hexanes/EtOAc).

IR (thin film) 3383, 2944, 2889, 2866, 1654, 1617, 1464, 1228, 883 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.08 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (dd, J = 10.0, 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.09 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 2.24 (bs, 1H), 1.45 (s, 3H), 1.36 (dt, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H), 1.03 (dd, J = 7.3, 2.5 Hz, 18H).

¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 188.6 (C), 162.6 (CH), 150.6 (CH), 135.0 (C), 128.4 (CH), 67.2 (C), 27.5 (CH₃), 18.9 (CH₃ × 6), 11.2 (CH × 3).

HRMS (ESI+) 303.1751 calculated for C₁₆H₂₈NaO₂Si found 303.1749

4-hydroxy-4-isopropyl-2-(trimethylsilyl)cyclohexa-2,5-dienone (5i).



Dienone **5i** was synthesized from **4i** in the same fashion as **5d**, except that a mixture of 3:1 acetonitrile-H₂O was used. A white crystalline solid (55% yield) was obtained after purification by flash column chromatography (9:1 hexanes/EtOAc).

IR (thin film) 3373, 2961, 2549, 1694, 1650, 1304, 1263, 844 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.93 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (dd, J = 10.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.19 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, 1H), 2.13 (bs, 1H), 1.97 (hept, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 0.95 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.18 (s, 9H).

¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 188.7 (C), 158.0 (CH), 149.0 (CH), 141.7 (C), 130.1 (CH), 72.1 (C), 36.9 (CH), 17.2 (CH₃ × 3), 17.3 (CH₃), 17.1 (CH₃), -1.38 (CH₃ × 3).

HRMS (ESI+) 247.1125 calculated for $C_{12}H_{20}NaO_2Si^+$ found 247.1141

2-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)-4-hydroxy-4-isopropylcyclohexa-2,5-dienone (5j).

Dienone **5j** was synthesized from **4j** in the same fashion as **5g**. A white crystalline solid (61% yield) was obtained after purification by flash column chromatography (1:0 \rightarrow 9:1 hexanes/EtOAc).

IR (thin film) 3385, 2958, 2928, 2881, 2856, 1653, 1617, 1470, 1363, 1249, 1004, 838 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.97 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.74 (dd, J = 10.1, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 6.18 (d, J = 10.1 Hz, 1H), 2.05 (bs, 1H), 1.97 (hept, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 0.94 (app t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.89 (s, 9H), 0.17 (s, 3H), 0.15 (s, 3H).

¹³**C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 188.4 (C), 159.9 (CH), 148.4 (CH), 139.9 (C), 130.3 (CH), 72.3 (C), 36.9 (CH), 27.3 (CH₃ × 3), 17.3 (CH₃), 17.1 (CH₃), 17.0 (C), -5.1 (CH₃), -5.2 (CH₃).

HRMS (ESI+) 289.1594 calculated for $C_{15}H_{26}NaO_2Si^{\dagger}$ found 289.1593

7-(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)-1-oxaspiro[4.5]deca-6,9-dien-8-one (10).



Spirocycle **10** was obtained from **9** in the same fashion as **5g** except that MeCN was used as the solvent. A white solid was obtained in 34% yield after purification by flash column chromatography (6:1 hexanes/EtOAc).

IR (thin film) 2953, 2927, 2856, 1656, 1628, 1248, 1229, 1035, 835 cm⁻¹

¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 6.95 (d, J = 3.1 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (dd, J = 10.0, 3.1 Hz, 1H), 6.08 (dd, J = 10.0, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.15 (quintet, J = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.02 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 0.87 (s, 9H), 0.16 (s, 6H).

¹³**C NMR** (125 MHz, CDCl₃, DEPT) δ 188.4 (C), 159.5 (CH), 148.4 (CH), 137.6 (C), 128.2 (CH), 77.35 (C), 69.4 (CH₂), 37.6 (CH₂), 27.3 (CH₃ × 3), 27.1 (CH₂), 17.0 (C), -5.3 (CH₃ × 2).

HRMS (ESI+) 287.1438 calculated for C₁₅H₂NaO₂Si found 287.1429

General Procedure for the Synthesis of Enantioenriched Quinols 5a-h



Into a 1 dram vial was placed phenol **4** (0.165 mmol) and iodine catalyst **8** (10 mol %) in a mixture of acetonitrile/H₂O (0.16 M, 9:1). Last was added *m*-CPBA (2.2 equiv) and the mixture was stirred overnight at r.t. After such time, the reaction was quenched with 10% aq Na₂S₂O₃ (1 mL) and stirred 5 min before saturated aq. NaHCO₃ (1 mL) was added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 1 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (1:0 → 9:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to afford quinol **5**.

Procedure for the synthesis of O¹⁸ labeled quinol 5a



Into a 1 dram vial was placed phenol **4a** (0.165 mmol, 19 μ L) and iodine catalyst **8e** (10 mol %, 11.0 mg) in a mixture of acetonitrile (0.9 mL) and ¹⁸O labeled water (0.1 mL). Last was added *m*-CPBA (0.364 mmol, 81.6 mg) and the mixture was stirred overnight at r.t. After such time, the reaction was quenched with 10% aq Na₂S₂O₃ (1 mL) and stirred 5 min before saturated aq. NaHCO₃ (1 mL) was added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 1 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (1:0 → 6:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to afford quinol **5a**^{*} (9.5 mg, 41% yield) as a beige solid.

Stoichiometric Iodine Experiment



A literature procedure was adapted.¹³ Aryl iodide **8a** (103 mg, 0.255 mmol) was stirred in acetic acid (0.25 mL) at rt. To this was added *m*-CPBA (63 mg, 0.280 mmol) and the homogenous mixture stirred for 2 h. After such time, the mixture became heterogeneous and was filtered. The filtrate was dried under vacuum to obtain a yellow solid, which was subsequently dissolved in a mixture of acetonitrile (440 μ L) and water (50 μ L). The mixture was treated with an excess of 2-bromo-4-methylphenol and stirred rt for 4 h. After such time, the reaction was quenched with 10% aq Na₂S₂O₃ (1 mL) and stirred 5 min before saturated aq. NaHCO₃ (1 mL) was added. The mixture was extracted with EtOAc (3 × 1 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with brine, dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (1:0 \rightarrow 9:1 hexanes/EtOAc) to afford quinol **5**.

¹³ M. Iinuma, K. Moriyama, and H. Togo, *Synlett* 2012, **23**, 2663.

Labelled Water Experiment Results – Mass Spectrum (CI with MeOH)



Summary of HPLC Data

Entry	Compound	Sample Solution	HPLC Column	HPLC conditions	Retention Time Major Isomer (min)	Retention Time Minor Isomer (min)
1	ме ме ОН (5а)	<i>i-</i> PrOH	Chiralcel OD-H	8% <i>i</i> -PrOH in hexane isocratic, 1 mL/min	8.03	4.43
2	Br Me OH (5b)	<i>i</i> -PrOH	Chiralcel OD-H	10% <i>i</i> -PrOH in hexane isocratic, 1 mL/min	8.59	7.65
3	TMS Me OH (5c)	100:1 hexane: <i>i-</i> PrOH	Chiralcel OD	2% EtOH in hexane isocratic, 0.3 mL/min	9.27	7.92
4	CI Me OH (5d)	<i>i-</i> PrOH	Chiralcel OD-H	10% <i>i</i> -PrOH in hexane isocratic, 1 mL/min	31.01	28.92
5	о ме ОН (5е)	100:1 hexane: <i>i-</i> PrOH	Chiralcel OJ	5% EtOH in hexane isocratic, 1 mL/min	11.0	11.9
6	Me MeO MeOH (5f)	<i>i</i> -PrOH	Chiralpak AS	10% <i>i</i> -PrOH in hexane isocratic, 1 mL/min	9.85	11.29
7	TBS Me OH (5g)	100:1 hexane: <i>i-</i> PrOH	Chiralcel OD-H	3% EtOH in hexane isocratic, 0.5 mL/min	13.34	12.04
8	TIPS Me OH (5h)	100:1 hexane: <i>i-</i> PrOH	Chiralcel OD	2% EtOH in hexane isocratic, 0.3 mL/min	22.94	21.63
9	тмs ,-Pr OH (5 i)	100:1 hexane: <i>i</i> - PrOH	Chiralcel OD	3% EtOH in hexane isocratic, 0.5 mL/min	11.53	12.22
10	о твз <i>i</i> -Pr ОН (5j)	100:1 hexane: <i>i</i> - PrOH	Chiralcel OJ	1% EtOH in hexane isocratic, 0.5 mL/min	12.01	11.27

11	TBS (10)	100:1 hexane: <i>i-</i> PrOH	Chiralcel OD-H	2% EtOH in hexane isocratic, 0.5 mL/min	8.91	9.82
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HPLC Traces

5a – racemic:





5	Retention Time (min)	Area Percent
	7.4	36.3
	8.0	63.7



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5b – racemic:





5b with catalyst 8e:





5c – racemic:



5c with catalyst 8e:









5d with catalyst 8e:











5e with catalyst 8e at room temperature:



5f – racemic:

R	etention Time (min)	Area Percent
	9.8	50.2
	11.3	49.8



5f with catalyst 8e:





5g – racemic:

-	Retention Time (min)	Area Percent
	12.0	50.4
	13.3	49.6









5h - racemic:

Retention Time (min)	Area Percent
21.7	50.4
23.0	49.6



5h with catalyst 8e:

Retention Time (min)	Area Percent
21.6	35.7
22.9	64.3


5i – racemic:

Retention Time (min)	Area Percent
11.8	49.3
12.7	50.7



5i with catalyst 8e:

Retention Time (min)	Area Percent
11.5	66.8
12.2	33.2



5j – racemic:

Retention Time (min)	Area Percent
11.5	49.3
12.5	50.7



5j with catalyst 8e:





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10 – racemic:





10 with catalyst 8e:









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