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Enantioselective intramolecular propargylic amination

using chiral copper-pybox catalyst

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General Methods.

¹H NMR (270 MHz) and ¹³C NMR (67.8 MHz) spectra were measured on a JEOL Excalibur 270 spectrometer using CDCl₃ as solvent. HPLC analyses were performed on Hitachi L-7100 and GL-7410 apparatuses equipped with a UV detector using 25 cm x 4.6 mm DAICEL Chiralpak AD, IA columns. Elemental analyses were performed at Microanalytical Center of The University of Tokyo. Mass spectra were measured on a JEOL JMS-700 mass spectrometer. Specific rotations were measured on a JASCO DIP-1000 polarimeter.

All reactions were carried out under a dry nitrogen atmosphere. Solvents were dried by the usual methods, then distilled under N₂ and degassed before use. Optically pure diphosphines L1-L3, pybox ligands L5, L9, CuOTf \cdot 1/2C₆H₆, aniline, and *N*,*N*'diphenylethylenediamine are commercially available reagents. Optically pure pybox ligands L4,^{S1} L6,^{S2} L7,^{S3} L8,^{S2} L10,^{S3} bis(oxazoline) ligand L11,^{S4} and propargylic acetate 3^{S5} were prepared according to literature procedures.

General Procedure for the Preparation of Propargylic Acetates.



Scheme S1. Preparation of Propargylic Acetate 1a

experimental А typical procedure for the preparation of 1-(2-((phenylamino)methyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl acetate (1a) is described below. In a 50 mL Schlenk flask were placed 2-bromobenzaldehyde (3.80 g, 20.5 mmol) and anhydrous MeOH Trimethyl orthoformate (8.75 mL, 80 mmol) and TsOH· H₂O (37.6 mg, (20 mL) under N₂. 0.20 mmol) were added to the solution and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h. The resulting mixture was passed through a short silicagel pad to give 1-bromo-2-(dimethoxymethyl)benzene as a colorless oil (4.54 g, 19.6 mmol, 96% isolated yield).

To a solution of 1-bromo-2-(dimethoxymethyl)benzene (4.54 g, 19.6 mmol) in anhydrous THF (60 mL) was added "BuLi (1.65 M in hexane, 18.0 mL, 29.7 mmol) at -78 °C and the mixture was stirred for 30 min. DMF (3.1 mL, 40.0 mmol) was added to the solution and the mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 30 min. The solution was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for another 1 h. After the reaction mixture was quenched by addition of saturated NaHCO₃ aq., the solution was extracted with hexane (20 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄ and The residue was purified by column chromatography concentrated under reduced pressure. with hexane/ethyl (triethylamine-pretreated SiO₂) acetate (90/10)to give 2-(dimethoxymethyl)benzaldehyde as a colorless oil (3.07 g, 17.0 mmol, 87% isolated yield).

To a solution of 2-(dimethoxymethyl)benzaldehyde (1.46 g, 8.09 mmol) in anhydrous THF (45 mL) was added ethynylmagnesium bromide (0.5 M in THF, 24 mL, 12 mmol) at 0 °C and the mixture was stirred for 40 min. Acetic anhydride (1.50 mL, 15.9 mmol) was added to the solution and the mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature. After stirring for 1 h, the mixture was acidified by addition of 1N HCl aq. (30 mL) and stirred for 3 h. The solution was extracted with ethyl acetate (15 mL x 3). The combined organic layers were washed with brine and dried over anhydrous MgSO₄. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by column chromatography (SiO₂) with hexane/ethyl acetate (85/15) to give 1-(2-formylphenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl acetate^{S6} as a pale yellow oil (1.37 g, 6.7 mmol, 84% isolated yield).

In a 20 mL Schlenk flask were placed 1-(2-formylphenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl acetate (208 mg, 1.03 mmol), aniline (0.19 mL, 2.1 mmol), and anhydrous dichloroethane (4 mL) under N₂. To the solution was added acetic acid (6 µL, 0.1 mmol) at room temperature and the mixture Sodium triacetoxyborohydride (283.7 mg, 1.34 mmol) was added to the was stirred for 1 h. solution and the mixture was stirred for 4 h. After the reaction mixture was quenched by addition of saturated NaHCO₃ aq., the solution was extracted with dichloromethane (5 mL x The combined organic layers were dried over anhydrous MgSO4 and concentrated 3). under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (SiO₂) with hexane/ethyl acetate (85/15) to give 1-(2-((phenylamino)methyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl acetate (1a) as a brown oil (244.6 mg, 0.876 mmol, 85% isolated yield). ¹H NMR δ 7.67-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.46-7.43 (m, 1H), 7.36-7.33 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.15 (m, 2H), 6.76-6.70 (m, 1H), 6.66-6.63 (m, 3H), 4.50 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (br, 1H), 2.65 (d, J = 2.2Hz, 1H), 2.09 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR δ 169.5, 147.9, 136.9, 135.0, 129.4, 129.3, 129.2, 128.3, 128.0, 117.8, 112.9, 80.2, 75.6, 63.0, 45.7, 20.9. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₇NO₂ [M]: 279.1259. Found: 279.1249.

Spectroscopic Data of Other Propargylic Acetates



1-(2-(((4-methylphenyl)amino)methyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl acetate (**1b**): A brown oil. ¹H NMR δ 7.74-7.70 (m, 1H), 7.51-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.42-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.73 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 4.53 (d, *J* = 14.2 Hz, 1H), 4.46 (d, *J* = 14.2 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (br, 1H), 2.71 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 2.14 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR δ 169.4, 145.6, 137.1, 134.8, 129.6, 129.3, 129.0, 128.2, 127.8, 126.7, 112.9, 80.1, 75.6, 62.9, 45.9, 20.8, 20.3. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₁₉H₁₉NO₂ [M]: 293.1416. Found: 293.1420.



1-(2-(((4-fluorophenyl)amino)methyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl acetate (**1c**): A brown solid, m.p. 76.1-78.0 °C. ¹H NMR δ 7.68-7.62 (m, 1H), 7.41-7.28 (m, 3H), 6.90-6.81 (m, 2H), 6.65 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.58-6.50 (m, 2H), 4.42 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1H), 4.01 (br, 1H), 2.64 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.05 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR δ 169.4, 155.9 (d, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 234.7$ Hz), 144.2 (d, ⁴ $J_{C-F} = 2.2$ Hz), 136.6, 134.9, 129.3, 129.0, 128.3, 128.0, 115.6 (d, ² $J_{C-F} = 22.3$ Hz), 113.6 (d, ³ $J_{C-F} = 7.8$ Hz), 80.1, 75.7, 62.8, 46.2, 20.8. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₆FNO₂ [M]: 297.1165. Found: 297.1177.



1-(2-(((4-bromophenyl)amino)methyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl acetate (**1d**): A pale yellow solid, m.p. 108.1-110.0 °C. ¹H NMR δ 7.65-7.62 (m, 1H), 7.39-7.32 (m, 3H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.62 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 4.48-4.37 (m, 2H), 4.22 (br, 1H), 2.65 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 2.08 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR δ 169.5, 146.8, 136.3, 135.0, 131.9, 129.4, 129.0, 128.4, 128.1, 114.5, 109.3, 80.1, 75.7, 62.9, 45.7, 20.9. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₆BrNO₂ [M]: 357.0364. Found: 357.0369.



1-(5-fluoro-2-((phenylamino)methyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl acetate (**1e**): A brown oil. ¹H NMR δ 7.43-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.15 (m, 2H), 7.06-6.99 (m, 1H), 6.77-6.71 (m, 1H), 6.65-6.62 (m, 3H), 4.44 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, 1H), 4.37 (d, J = 14.2 Hz, 1H), 4.06 (br, 1H), 2.67 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 2.11 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR δ 169.4, 162.2 (d, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 245.9$ Hz), 147.7, 137.2 (d, ³ $J_{C-F} = 7.3$ Hz), 132.3 (d, ⁴ $J_{C-F} = 3.4$ Hz), 130.9 (d, ³ $J_{C-F} = 8.4$ Hz), 129.3, 117.9, 116.0 (d, ² $J_{C-F} = 21.2$ Hz), 115.0 (d, ² $J_{C-F} = 22.8$ Hz), 112.9, 79.6, 76.0, 62.2 (d, ⁴ $J_{C-F} = 1.7$ Hz), 45.2, 20.8. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₆NO₂F [M]: 297.1165. Found: 297.1173.



1-(4,5-dimethoxy-2-((phenylamino)methyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl acetate (**1f**): A yellow oil. ¹H NMR δ 7.22-7.16 (m, 3H), 6.94 (s, 1H), 6.76-6.65 (m, 3H), 6.61 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (d, *J* = 13.4 Hz, 1H), 4.32 (d, *J* = 13.4 Hz, 1H), 4.02 (br, 1H), 3.93 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 2.66 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 2.08 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR δ 169.5, 149.6, 148.4, 148.0, 129.6, 129.2, 127.0, 117.8, 112.9, 112.3, 111.5, 80.4, 75.5, 62.7, 56.0, 55.9, 45.6, 20.9. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₂₀H₂₁NO₄ [M]: 339.1471. Found: 339.1454.

Enantioselective Intramolecular Propargylic Amination of Propargylic Acetates.



typical experimental procedure for the А reaction of 1 - (2 -((phenylamino)methyl)phenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl acetate (1a) is described below. In a 20 mL Schlenk flask were placed CuOTf \cdot 1/2C₆H₆ (2.6 mg, 0.010 mmol) and (S)-Me-pybox (L4) (5.0 mg, 0.020 mmol) under N₂. Anhydrous methanol (1.0 mL) was added, and then the mixture was magnetically stirred at 60 °C for 1 h. After the solution was cooled to 0 °C, 1a (55.9 mg, 0.20 mmol) in anhydrous methanol (1.0 mL) and diisopropylethylamine (42 μ L, 0.24 mmol) were added under N_2 , and the reaction was kept at 0 °C for 8 h. The solvent was concentrated under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by the column chromatography (SiO₂) with hexane/ethyl acetate (93/7) to give 1-ethynyl-2-phenylisoindoline (2a) as a white solid (38.2 mg, 0.173 mmol, 87% isolated yield), m.p. 110.1 °C (decomp.). ¹H NMR & 7.51-7.48 (m, 1H), 7.39-7.31 (m, 5H), 6.93-6.90 (m, 2H), 6.86-6.80 (m, 1H), 5.61 (br, 1H), 4.82 (dd, J = 3.1 and 13.0 Hz, 1H), 4.60 (d, J = 13.0 Hz, 1H), 2.41 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR δ 145.9, 138.5, 137.0, 129.2, 128.2, 127.7, 123.1, 122.6, 117.4, 112.9, 82.6, 72.3, 55.1, 53.7. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₃N: C, 87.64; H, 5.98; N, 6.39. Found: C, 87.44; H, 6.25; N, 6.32. $[\alpha]^{25}_{D} = -153.9$ (c = 0.435, CHCl₃). The enantiomeric excess of **2a** was determined by HPLC analysis; DAICEL Chiralpak AD, hexane/PrOH = 95/5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, λ = 254 nm, retention time: 9.4 min (minor) and 12.2 min (major), 93% ee.

Spectroscopic Data and Isolated Yields of Other Products.



1-ethynyl-2-(4-methylphenyl)isoindoline (**2b**): Isolated yield 79% (with **L4**). A white solid, m.p. 121.4 °C (decomp.). ¹H NMR δ 7.43-7.40 (m, 1H), 7.30-7.26 (m, 3H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.50 (br, 1H), 4.72 (dd, *J* = 3.2 and 13.0 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (d, *J* = 13.0 Hz, 1H), 2.33 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 2.23 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR δ 143.7, 138.6, 137.1, 129.8, 128.2, 127.7, 126.8, 123.0, 122.6, 113.1, 82.6, 72.4, 55.4, 54.0, 20.3. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₁₇H₁₅N [M]: 233.1204. Found: 233.1205. [α]²⁵_D = - 149.0 (*c* = 0.490, CHCl₃). The enantiomeric excess of **2b** was determined by HPLC analysis; DAICEL Chiralpak IA, hexane/^{*i*}PrOH = 95/5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, λ = 254 nm, retention time: 7.2 min (minor) and 11.5 min (major), 92% *ee*.



1-ethynyl-2-(4-fluorophenyl)isoindoline (**2c**): Isolated yield 79% (with **L4**). A white solid, m.p. 93.8 °C (decomp.). ¹H NMR δ 7.50-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.38-7.35 (m, 3H), 7.05 (m, 2H), 6.82 (dd, J = 4.3 and 9.2 Hz, 2H), 5.55 (br, 1H), 4.78 (dd, J = 3.1 and 12.9 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (d, J =12.9 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR δ 156.0 (d, ¹ $J_{C-F} = 235.3$ Hz), 142.5 (d, ⁴ $J_{C-F} =$ 1.7 Hz), 138.5, 136.9, 128.3, 127.8, 123.1, 122.6, 115.7 (d, ² $J_{C-F} = 22.3$ Hz), 113.6 (d, ³ $J_{C-P} =$ 7.2 Hz), 82.4, 72.5, 55.6, 54.2. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₂FN: C, 80.99; H, 5.10; N, 5.90. Found: C, 80.83; H, 5.22; N, 5.65. [α]²⁵_D = - 150.9 (c = 0.470, CHCl₃). The enantiomeric excess of **2c** was determined by HPLC analysis; DAICEL Chiralpak IA, hexane/^{*i*}PrOH = 95/5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, λ = 254 nm, retention time: 7.6 min (minor) and 13.7 min (major), 95% *ee*.



2-(4-bromophenyl)-1-ethynylisoindoline (**2d**): Isolated yield 89% (with **L5**). A white solid, m.p. 163.2 °C (decomp.). ¹H NMR δ 7.49-7.46 (m, 1H), 7.42-7.34 (m, 5H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 5.55 (br, 1H), 4.75 (dd, *J* = 3.1 and 12.8 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (d, *J* = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 2.41 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR δ 144.8, 138.2, 136.6, 131.9, 128.3, 127.9, 123.1, 122.6, 114.5, 109.6, 82.0, 72.7, 55.2, 53.7. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₂BrN: C, 64.45; H, 4.06; N, 4.70. Found: C, 64.23; H, 4.19; N, 4.46. [α]²⁵_D = - 146.2 (*c* = 0.455, CHCl₃). The enantiomeric excess of **2d** was determined by HPLC analysis; DAICEL Chiralpak IA, hexane/ⁱPrOH = 95/5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, λ = 254 nm, retention time: 8.4 min (minor) and 15.7 min (major), 96% *ee*.



1-ethynyl-6-fluoro-2-phenylisoindoline (**2e**): Isolated yield 81% (with **L4**). A white solid, m.p. 139.8 °C (decomp.). ¹H NMR δ 7.37-7.23 (m, 3H), 7.19-7.15 (m, 1H), 7.08-7.00 (m, 1H), 6.89-6.80 (m, 3H), 5.56 (br, 1H), 4.74 (dd, *J* = 3.2 and 12.6 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (d, *J* = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 2.42 (d, *J* = 1.9 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR δ 162.7 (d, ¹*J*_{C-F} = 244.8 Hz), 145.8, 140.4 (d, ³*J*_{C-F} = 8.9 Hz), 132.5 (d, ⁴*J*_{C-F} = 2.8 Hz), 129.3, 123.9 (d, ³*J*_{C-F} = 8.9 Hz), 117.6, 115.6 (d, ²*J*_{C-F} = 22.9 Hz), 112.9, 110.3 (d, ²*J*_{C-F} = 24.0 Hz), 81.9, 72.8, 55.1 (d, ⁴*J*_{C-F} = 2.8 Hz), 53.2. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₁₆H₁₂NF [M]: 237.0954. Found: 237.0950. [α]²⁵_D = - 156.8 (*c* = 0.555, CHCl₃). The enantiomeric excess of **2e** was determined by HPLC analysis; DAICEL Chiralpak IA, hexane/^{*i*}PrOH = 97/3, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, λ = 254 nm, retention time: 9.5 min (major) and 11.6 min (minor), 98% *ee*.



1-ethynyl-5,6-dimethoxy-2-phenylisoindoline (**2f**): Isolated yield 79% (with **L5**). A white solid, m.p. 149.3 °C (decomp.). ¹H NMR δ 7.34-7.30 (m, 2H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 6.88-6.78 (m, 4H), 5.52 (br, 1H), 4.73 (dd, *J* = 3.5 and 12.3 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (d, *J* = 12.3 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 2.42 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR δ 149.7, 149.3, 145.9, 130.0, 129.2, 128.6, 117.2, 112.7, 105.7, 105.3, 82.7, 72.3, 56.12, 56.10, 55.2, 53.8. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₇NO₂ [M]: 279.1259. Found: 279.1246. [α]²⁵_D = -120.2 (*c* = 0.415, CHCl₃). The enantiomeric excess of **2f** was determined by HPLC analysis; DAICEL Chiralpak IA, hexane/ⁱPrOH = 95/5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, λ = 254 nm, retention time: 27.0 min (major) and 29.3 min (minor), 96% *ee*.

Preparation of 1,1'-(1,2-phenylene)-bis(prop-2-yne-1,1-diyl) Diacetate (3).



To a flame-dried Schlenk flask was placed ethynylmagnesium bromide (0.5 M in THF, 24 mL, 12 mmol). *o*-Phthalaldehyde (405.5 mg, 3.02 mmol) was added at room temperature, and the resulting mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 2 h. After the reaction, water (50 mL) was added, and the resulting mixture was extracted with EtOAc (30 mL x 3). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄. After concentration *in vacuo*, the residue was passed through a short silicagel pad with hexane/EtOAc (7/3) to give 1,1'-(1,2-phenylene)-bis(prop-2-yne-1-ol) as a pale yellow oil (549.4 mg, 2.95 mmol).

To a flame-dried Schlenk flask were placed CH₂Cl₂ (6.0 mL), DMAP (36.9 mg, 0.302 mmol), NEt₃ (625 μ L, 4.55 mmol), and 1,1'-(1,2-phenylene)-bis(prop-2-yne-1-ol) (549.4 mg, 2.95 mmol). Ac₂O (425 μ L, 4.53 mmol) dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (1.0 mL) was added dropwise, and the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 h. After the reaction, water (50 mL) was added, and the resulting mixture was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (30 mL x 3). The combined organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄. After concentration *in vacuo*, the residue was purified by column chromatography (SiO₂) with hexane/EtOAc (7/3) to give **3**⁸⁵ as a white solid (716.4 mg, 2.65 mmol, 88% isolated yield).

Double Propargylic Amination of Propargylic Diacetate with Amines.



A typical experimental procedure for the reaction of 1,1'-(1,2-phenylene)-bis(prop-2yne-1,1-diyl) diacetate (3) with aniline is described below. In a 20 mL Schlenk flask were placed CuOTf • 1/2C₆H₆ (2.4 mg, 0.010 mmol) and (S)-Ph-pybox (L5) (7.3 mg, 0.020 mmol) Anhydrous methanol (1.0 mL) was added, and then the mixture was under N_2 . magnetically stirred at 60 °C for 1 h. After the solution was cooled to room temperature, **3** (53.0 mg, 0.20 mmol) in anhydrous methanol (1.0 mL), aniline (22 µL, 0.24 mmol), and diisopropylethylamine (84 µL, 0.48 mmol) were added under N₂, and the reaction was kept at room temperature for 4 h. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by column chromatography (SiO₂) with hexane/ethyl acetate (93/7) to give 1,3-diethynyl-2-phenylisoindoline (4a) as a white solid (33.3 mg, 0.137 mmol, 70% isolated yield, meso-4a/dl-4a = 5.0/1). ¹H NMR (meso-isomer): δ 7.51-7.34 (m, 6H), 7.15-7.07 (m, 2H) 6.91-6.85 (m, 1H), 5.54 (br, 2H), 2.45 (br, 2H). ¹H NMR (*dl*-isomer): δ 5.76 (br, 2H), 2.36 (br, 2H). ¹³C NMR (*meso*-isomer): δ 145.0, 137.6, 129.3, 128.8, 123.1, 118.3, 113.4, 82.4, 72.6, 55.4. ¹³C NMR (*dl*-isomer): δ 143.7, 137.8, 123.2, 118.6, 115.4, 81.7, 73.3, 54.6. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₁₈H₁₃N [M]: 243.1048. Found: 243.1038. The enantiomeric excess of *dl*-4a was determined by HPLC analysis; DAICEL Chiralpak IA, hexane/^{*i*}PrOH = 95/5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, λ = 254 nm, retention time: 13.4 min (minor) and 29.1 min (major), 75% ee.

Spectroscopic Data and Isolated Yield of Other Product.



1,6-diethynyl-2,5-diphenyl-1,2,3,4,5,6-hexahydrobenzo[*f*][**1,4**]**diazocine** (**4b**): Isolated yield 68% (*meso-***4b**/*dl-***4b** = 7.7/1). A white solid. ¹H NMR (*meso-*isomer): δ 7.76-7.73 (m, 2H), 7.36-7.33 (m, 2H) 7.15-7.06 (m, 4H), 6.76-6.65 (m, 6H), 5.70 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 2H), 4.23-4.13 (m, 2H), 3.92-3.82 (m, 2H), 2.44 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 2H). ¹H NMR (*dl-*isomer): δ 8.01-7.97 (m, 2H), 5.57 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 2H), 3.97 (br, 4H), 2.66 (d, *J* = 2.3 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (*meso-*isomer): δ 145.5, 135.8, 130.0, 129.0, 128.2, 117.3, 113.1, 80.1, 77.4, 56.7, 46.8. ¹³C NMR (*dl-*isomer): δ 129.0, 128.1, 117.2, 112.5, 58.0, 49.1. HRMS (EI) Calcd. for C₂₆H₂₂N₂ [M]: 362.1783. Found: 362.1781. The enantiomeric excess of *dl-***4b** was determined by HPLC analysis; DAICEL Chiralpak IA, hexane/^{*i*}PrOH = 95/5, flow rate = 1.0 mL/min, λ = 254 nm, retention time: 6.8 min (minor) and 12.4 min (major), 66% *ee*.

X-ray Diffraction Study of 2d.

Diffraction data for (R)-2-(4-bromophenyl)-1-ethynylisoindoline (2d) were collected on a Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID imaging plate diffractometer with graphite-monochromated Mo-K α radiation ($\lambda = 0.71075$ Å) with Varimax optics. Reflections were collected for the 2θ range Intensity data were corrected for numerical absorptions (NUMABS)^{S7}, and for of 6° to 55° . Lorentz and polarization effects. A correction for secondary extinction^{S8} was further applied (coefficient, 19(12)). The structure solution and refinements were carried out by using CrystalStructure package.⁸⁹ The positions of all the non-hydrogen atoms were determined by direct methods (SIR97)^{S10} and subsequent Fourier syntheses, and were refined on F_0^2 with all the unique reflections by full-matrix least squares with anisotropic thermal All the hydrogen atoms were placed at the calculated positions with fixed parameters. isotropic parameters. Goodness of fit indicator $[\Sigma w(|F_o| - |F_c|)^2/(N_{obs} - N_{params})]^{1/2}$ were all The atomic scattering factors were taken from reference S11, refined to the value of 1.000. and anomalous dispersion effects were included.^{S12} The values of $\Delta f'$ and $\Delta f''$ were taken The Flack parameter^{S14} for **2d** was refined to the value of 0.010(14), from reference S13. which clearly suggests that the absolute configuration of the major isomer of 2d is (R) as shown in Figure S1, where the ORTEP drawing of 2d is depicted. Details of the crystals and data collection parameters of 2d are summarized in Table S1.

CCDC 989441 (2d) contains the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge from The Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.

	2d
chemical formula	$C_{16}H_{12}BrN$
formula weight	298.18
crystal size	$0.42 \times 0.11 \times 0.08$
color, habit	colorless, needle
temperature (°C)	-75
crystal system	orthorhombic
space group	$P2_{1}2_{1}2_{1}$ (#19)
<i>a</i> (Å)	4.08853(17)
<i>b</i> (Å)	11.1945(6)
<i>c</i> (Å)	27.8189(12)
α (deg)	90
β (deg)	90
γ (deg)	90
$V(\text{\AA}^3)$	1273.25(10)
Ζ	4
$d_{\text{calcd}} (\text{g cm}^{-3})$	1.555
<i>F</i> (000)	600
μ (cm ⁻¹)	32.173
transmission factors range	0.440-0.773
measured reflections	10532
unique reflections	2885
R _{int}	0.0594
refined parameters	177
$R1 (I > 2\sigma(I))^{a}$	0.0365
wR2 (all data) ^b	0.0705
residual peaks (e Å ⁻³)	+0.531/-0.657
CCDC number	989441

 Table S1. Crystallographic Data for 2d.

^{*a*} $R1 = \Sigma ||F_0| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_0|$. ^{*b*} $wR2 = [\Sigma \{w(F_0^2 - F_c^2)^2\} / \Sigma w(F_0^2)^2]^{1/2}, w = 4F_0^2 / q\sigma(F_0^2), q = 1.847.$



Figure S1. ORTEP drawing of **2d**. Thermal ellipsoids are given at the 50% probability level.

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