Supporting information for:

# Modular Chiral Gold(I) Phosphite Complexes

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### **General Methods**

Unless specified, all reactions were carried out at room temperature, under Ar, using magnetic stirring and in solvents dried using a Solvent Purification System (SPS). Analytical thin layer chromatography was carried out using TLC-aluminium sheets with 0.2 mm of silica gel (Merck GF234). Chromatography purifications were carried out using flash grade silica gel (SDS Chromatogel 60 ACC, 40-60  $\mu$ m). Commercial grade reagents and solvents were used without further purification. PCl<sub>3</sub> was distilled prior to use.<sup>1</sup>

NMR spectra were recorded at 23 °C on a Bruker Avance 400 Ultrashield and Bruker Avance 500 Ultrashield apparatus. NMR chemical shifts ( $\delta$ ) are expressed in ppm. <sup>1</sup>H NMR chemical shifts are referenced to TMS (in the case of CDCl<sub>3</sub>) or to the solvent residual signal (in the case of other NMR solvents).<sup>2</sup> <sup>13</sup>C NMR chemical shifts are referenced to the solvent signal. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR chemical shifts are referenced to an external standard (85% aqueous H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>). Mass spectra were recorded on a Waters LCT Premier (ESI) and Waters GCT (EI, CI) spectrometers. Chiral HPLC analyses were performed on a Waters system using a Chiralpak IA column (4.6x250 mm, 5µm) and Chiralpak IB column (4.6x250 mm, 5µm).

The following ligands were commercially available: (*R*)-L1, (*R*)-L2, (*R*)-L3, (*R*)-BINOL, (*R*)-MOP (L4), (*R*)-Monophos (L5), (*R*,*R*,*R*)-(+)-(3,5-dioxa-4-phosphacyclohepta[2,1-*a*:3,4-*a'*]dinaphthalen-4-yl)bis(1-phenylethyl)amine (L6), (*S*)-ShiP (L8), (*R*)-3,3'-bis(2,4,6-triisopropylphenyl)-1,1'-bi-2-naphthol. The Au(I) complexes L1(AuCl)<sub>2</sub>, <sup>3</sup> L2(AuCl)<sub>2</sub>, <sup>3</sup> L3(AuCl), <sup>4</sup> L4(AuCl), <sup>3</sup> L5(AuCl), <sup>5</sup> L6(AuCl), <sup>5</sup> and L8(AuCl), <sup>6</sup> were prepared according to the reported procedures.

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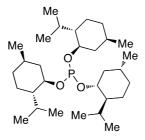
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1,6-Enynes **1a-e** were prepared according to the reported methods.<sup>7</sup>

#### **Synthesis of Chiral Ligands**

#### (-)-Menthol-derived phosphite L8

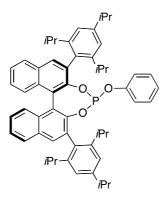


To a solution of PCl<sub>3</sub> (0.87 mL, 0.01 mol) in toluene (15 mL), a solution of (-)menthol (4.7 g, 0.03 mol) and NEt<sub>3</sub> (5 mL, 0.036 mol) in toluene (25 mL) was added dropwise at -20 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 hours at room temperature. The reaction mixture was filtered off and the solvent was evaporated. Purification by column chromatography on silica gel (toluene, Ar) provided the desired phosphite ligand **L8** (3.05 g, 68%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.84 (ddd, *J* = 19.5, 10.5, 4.4 Hz, 3H), 2.21 (tdd, *J* = 10.4, 7.5, 2.9 Hz, 3H), 2.09 (dt, *J* = 9.0, 4.3 Hz, 3H), 1.68-1.59 (m, 6H), 1.45-1.32 (m, 3H), 1.30-1.22 (m, 3H), 1.11 (dd, *J* = 23.3, 12.2 Hz, 3H), 0.98 (ddd, *J* = 17.0, 14.2, 4.3 Hz, 3H), 0.89 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 1.4 Hz, 18H), 0.87-0.80 (m, 3H), 0.76 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  $\Box$ 77.36, 77.16, 63.53, 49.12, 49.10, 45.91, 43.03, 42.05, 34.97, 34.70, 34.41, 34.25, 31.92, 31.79, 25.74, 25.67, 25.47, 25.19, 24.40, 23.31, 22.05, 22.03, 22.01, 21.59, 21.31, 21.16, 21.15, 21.04, 21.02, 16.26. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  150.1.

## **BINOL Phosphite L11<sup>8</sup>**

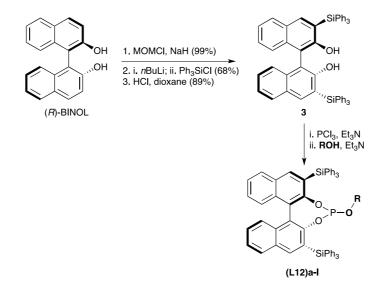
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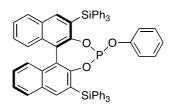
To a solution of (*R*)-3,3'-bis(2,4,6-triisopropylphenyl)-1,1'-bi-2-naphthol (150 mg, 0.21 mmol) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (0.21 ml, 0.45 mmol) in toluene (10 mL) was added PCl<sub>3</sub> (40 mg, 0.32 mmol) dropwise at 0 °C. The resulting mixture was stirred vigorously for 1 h and then at 80 °C for 1h. The mixture was cooled to 0 °C, Et<sub>3</sub>N (0,03 ml, 0,22 mmol) and phenol (22 mg, 0.23 mmol) were added. The resultant mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 1h, then at room temperature for 1 h. The reaction mixture was filtered off and the solvent was evaporated. Chromatographic purification (toluene, Ar) afforded L11as a fluffy yellow solid (104 mg, 70%). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>)  $\delta$  7.95 (dd, J = 11.2, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (s, 1H), 7.49 (ddd, J = 10.9, 8.2, 6.98 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (ddd, J = 7.9, 8.2, 6.98 Hz, 1H), 7.33-7.28 (m, 1H), 7.15-7.10 (m, 4H), 7.06-6.93 (m, 2H), 6.07 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (m, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 3.00 (m, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.91 (m, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (m, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (m, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (m, J = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 1.20-0.94 (m, 36H). <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>)  $\delta$  140.4.

### **BINOL Phosphites L12 – General methodology**



In a typical procedure,<sup>9,10</sup> a solution of PCl<sub>3</sub> (42.7 mg, 374 µmol, 3.0 eq.) in THF (0.5 mL) was added dropwise to a solution of (*R*)-3,3'-bis(triphenylsilyl)-[1,1'binaphthalene]-2,2'-diol (**3**, 100 mg, 125 µmol, 1.0 eq.) in THF (0.5 mL) at -40 °C. After stirring at -40 °C for 10 min, a solution of NEt<sub>3</sub> (63 mg, 623 µmol, 5.0 eq.) was added dropwise. The resulting mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for another 2 h before being filtered through a Celite pad (rinsing with THF). The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue was treated with toluene (1 mL), and evaporated. The obtained solid was redissolved in THF (0.5 mL) at RT. A solution of NEt<sub>3</sub> (63.0 mg, 623 µmol, 5.0 eq.) in THF (0.5 mL) at RT. A solution of the appropriate phenol or alcohol (249 µmol, 2.0 eq.) in THF (0.5 mL) was added dropwise and the resulting mixture was stirred for 2 h at room temperature. After evaporation of the volatiles under reduced pressure, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (toluene, Ar) to provide the desired phosphite ligand (**L12)a-l**.

## (*R*)-BINOL Phosphite L12a<sup>11</sup>



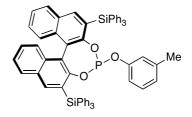
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.07 (s, 1H), 7.93 (s, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J*= 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J*= 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (dt, *J*= 6.6, 1.7 Hz, 10 H), 7.54-7.52 (m, 5H), 7.34-7.31 (m, 6H), 7.25-7.21 (m, 10H), 6.82 (dd, *J*= 7.5, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (t, *J*=7.8 Hz, 2H), 5.78 (d, *J*= 8.0 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  157.46, 137.37, 136.91, 136.89, 136.75, 136.71, 136.66, 136.47, 136.43, 136.25, 134.70, 133.98, 133.02, 129.95, 129.84, 129.55, 129.48, 129.32, 129.18, 128.81, 128.23, 127.93, 127.84, 127.79, 127.75, 127.68, 127.60, 126.99, 125.77, 119.04, 115.69. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  150.5.

### (R)-BINOL Phosphite L12b

<sup>9</sup> Albrow, V. E.; Blake, A. J.; Fryatt, R.; Wilson, C.; Woodward, S. *Eur. J. Org. Chem.* **2006**, 2006, 2549–2557.

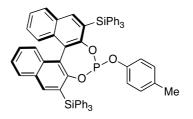
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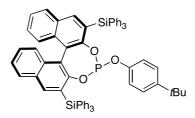
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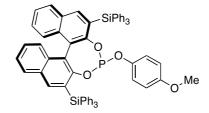
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(R)-BINOL Phosphite L12d



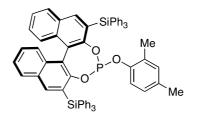
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.04 (s, 1H), 7.91 (s, 1H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (dd, *J* = 8.0, 1.3 Hz, 6H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.2 Hz, 6H), 7.42-7.29 (m, 12H), 7.24-7.19 (m, 12H), 6.68 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 5.75 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 1.21 (s, 9H). <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  150.4.

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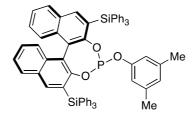
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(R)-BINOL Phosphite L12f



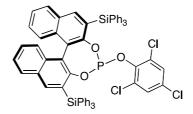
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(R)-BINOL Phosphite L12g



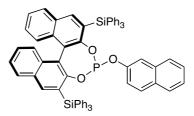
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## (R)-BINOL Phosphite L12h



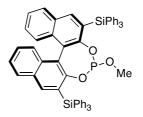
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(R)-BINOL Phosphite L12i



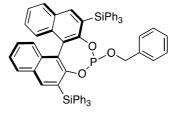
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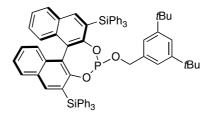
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.05 (s, 1H), 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.80-7.75 (dd, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 7.66–7.63 (m, 1H), 7.62-7.58 (m, 10H), 7.43-7.27 (m, 20H), 7.24-7.14 (m, 5H), 2.37-2.34 (d, *J* = 10.5Hz, 3H). <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  148.7.

(R)-BINOL Phosphite L12k



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.93 (s, 1H), 7.79 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.65–7.63 (m, 1H), 7.57–7.55 (m, 12H), 7.42–7.32 (m, 10H), 7.31–7.27 (m, 10H), 7.23–7.17 (m, 3H), 7.05 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.50 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 3.60 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 140.76, 136.80, 136.73, 136.55, 136.48, 136.44, 136.37, 136.26, 134.67, 134.49, 134.31, 133.84, 130.65, 130.12, 129.95, 129.55, 129.46, 129.43, 128.71, 128.68, 128.35, 128.29, 128.22, 127.98, 127.85, 127.79, 127.66, 127.60, 127.56, 127.26, 126.96, 126.90, 126.79, 126.70, 126.45, 124.71, 124.67. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 151.1.

### (R)-BINOL Phosphite L12l

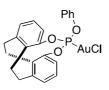


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### Synthesis of Chiral Au(I) Complexes.

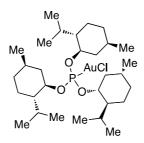
In a typical experiment, a solution of the desired ligand (46.3  $\mu$ mol, 1.0 eq.) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (0.5 mL) was added dropwise to a suspension of (Me)<sub>2</sub>SAuCl (46.3  $\mu$ mol, 1.0 eq.) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (0.5 mL) at 0 °C. The resulting clear solution was allowed to warm to room temperature and stirred for another 30 min. The solvent was removed to give the corresponding chiral Au(I) chloride phosphite complex as a white solid (46.3  $\mu$ mol, quantitative).

### **Gold complex L7(AuCl)**<sup>6</sup>



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.44 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.36-7.28 (m, 3H), 7.25-7.22 (m, 4H), 7.19 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 3.24-3.01 (m, 2H), 2.95 (td, *J* = 15.9, 7.8 Hz, 2H), 2.35 (ddd, *J* = 11.8, 6.5, 4.3 Hz, 2H), 2.14-2.03 (m, 2H).

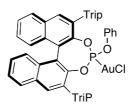
Gold complex L8(AuCl)



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ4.31-4.23 (m, 3H), 2.22-2.16 (m, 3H), 2.13 (qt, J = 7.0, 2.0 Hz, 3H), 1.70 (brs, 3H), 1.67 (brs, 1H), 1.45-1.35 (m, 6H), 1.18 (td, J=12.3, 11.0 Hz, 3H), 1.03 (qd, J = 13.1, 3.2 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (dd, J = 6.8, 2.9 Hz, 18H), 0.86 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ73.69, 73.57, 63.49, 49.08, 49.06, 45.19, 44.50, 44.48, 43.52, 43.39, 34.66, 34.37, 34.21, 31.88, 31.75, 25.70, 25.63, 25.43, 25.15, 24.36, 23.27, 23.02, 22.94, 22.88, 22.32, 22.22, 22.09, 22.01, 21.99, 21.97, 15.79. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ116.4.

The structure of this complex was determined by X-ray crystallography: CCDC 933756.

Gold complex L11 (AuCl)

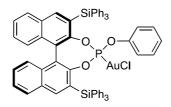


<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.0 (d, J = 24.7 Hz, 2H), 7.97 (dd, J = 14.5, 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (ddd, J = 8.0, 6.2, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (ddd, J = 8.1, 6.8, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.41-7.36 (m, 3H), 7.33-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.21-7.13 (m, 5H), 7.08 (dd, J = 10.6, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.04-7.00 (m, 3H), 6.17 (dm, J = 7.2, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 2.99 (m, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.84 (m, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.61 (m, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.38 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 6H), 1.32 (d, J = 6.8 Hz,

24H), 1.20 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  147.65, 147.55, 147.38, 147.07, 146.84, 132.61, 132.23, 131.87, 130.91, 129.84, 128.50, 128.33, 127.53, 127.23, 126.39, 126.25, 125.81, 125.66, 121.52, 121.22, 120.93, 120.54, 34.39, 34.37, 31.33, 31.00, 27.55, 26.08, 25.76, 25.33, 24.92, 24.32, 24.19, 24.17, 24.09, 23.84, 23.73, 23.43, 23.27. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>)  $\delta$  123.9.

The structure of this complex was determined by X-ray crystallography: CCDC 933751.

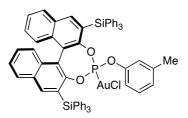
## Gold complex L12(AuCl)a



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 8.18 (s, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J*= 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J*= 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.56 (m, 6H), 7.51-7.48 (m, 6H), 7.39-7.30 (m, 12H), 7.26-7.22 (m, 12H), 7.03 (t, *J*= 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (t, *J*=7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.05 (d, *J*=8.2 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  156.47, 137.12, 137.03, 136.92, 136.86, 136.82, 136.78, 136.58, 136.55, 136.52, 136.40, 134.64, 134.49, 129.70, 129.67, 129.63, 129.56, 128.37, 128.16, 128.06, 128.00, 127.91, 127.88, 127.81, 127.75, 120.12, 115.58. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  123.7.

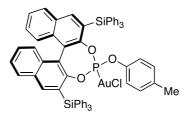
The structure of this complex was determined by X-ray crystallography: CCDC 933752.

Gold complex L12(AuCl)b



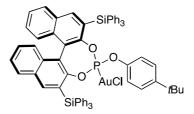
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.16 (s, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.68–7.65 (m, 1H), 7.56 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.4 Hz, 6H), 7.51 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 6H), 7.48–7.27 (m, 16H), 7.25–7.21 (m, 7H), 6.82 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.87 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.83 (s, 1H), 1.99 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  156.45, 139.57, 137.10, 136.90, 136.84, 136.80, 136.75, 136.58, 136.54, 136.51, 136.39, 135.29, 134.39, 133.48, 133.25, 130.05, 130.01, 129.91, 129.42, 129.29, 128.33, 128.16, 128.08, 128.05, 127.91, 127.88, 127.79, 120.91, 116.28, 112.57, 21.47.  ${}^{31}P{}^{1}H$ -NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  123.1.

## Gold complex L12(AuCl)c



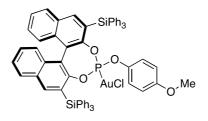
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.17 (s, 1H), 8.07 (s, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.4 Hz, 6H), 7.50 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.3 Hz, 6H), 7.50-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.28 (m, 15H), 7.25-7.18 (m, 7H), 6.67 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 5.89 (dd, J = 8.5, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 2.24 (s, 3H). <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  123.8.

## Gold complex L12(AuCl)d



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.16 (s, 1H), 8.09 (s, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.54 (m, 6H), 7.53-7.44 (m, 8H), 7.40–7.26 (m, 15H), 7.24-7.19 (m, 7H), 6.88 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 6.03 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 1.27 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 136.81, 136.60, 133.58, 133.32, 130.09, 130.05, 128.38, 128.21, 127.97, 126.21, 120.60, 120.56, 34.49, 31.52, 29.86. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 123.8. HRMS-ESI *m*/*z* calculated for C<sub>63</sub>H<sub>47</sub>AuClO<sub>3</sub>PSi<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M<sup>+</sup> -Cl]: 1177.2931. Found 1177.2927.

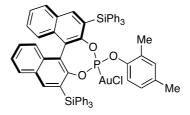
## Gold complex L12(AuCl)e



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.17 (s, 1H), 8.07 (s, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.68-7.65 (m, 1H), 7.59-7.57 (m, 6H), 7.51-7.49 (m, 6H), 7.39-7.15 (m, 23H), 6.37 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 5.93 (dd, J = 9.0, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 3.73 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 156.95, 156.92, 151.21, 151.03, 149.83, 142.28, 142.11, 142.05, 141.96, 136.70, 136.61, 136.46, 136.38, 136.08, 134.65, 134.35, 134.08, 133.44, 133.16, 131.29, 130.93, 130.02, 129.98, 129.06, 128.98, 128.90, 128.30, 128.25, 128.11, 127.90, 127.81, 127.75, 126.92, 126.69, 126.25, 126.15, 125.95, 125.86, 125.32, 122.44, 122.40, 122.01, 121.97, 121.82, 121.75, 114.18, 55.61. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 124.2. HRMS-ESI *m/z* calculated for C<sub>63</sub>H<sub>47</sub>AuClO<sub>4</sub>PSi<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M<sup>+</sup>-Cl]: 1151.2411. Found 1151.2402.

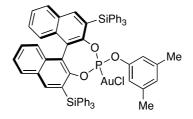
The structure of this complex was determined by X-ray crystallography: CCDC 933757.

## Gold complex L12(AuCl)f



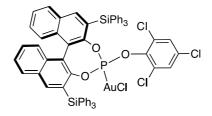
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.15 (s, 1H), 8.09 (s, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.42 (m, 14H), 7.40-7.20 (m, 16H), 7.19–7.13 (m, 6H), 6.70 (bs, 1H), 6.48 (dd, J = 8.6, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.00 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 2.23 (s, 3H), 1.37 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 151.25, 151.15, 149.98, 145.48, 145.42, 142.27, 141.97, 136.70, 136.55, 134.85, 134.41, 134.10, 133.48, 133.25, 131.71, 131.38, 131.00, 130.00, 129.92, 129.24, 129.21, 129.10, 129.05, 128.28, 128.10, 128.01, 127.98, 127.03, 126.72, 126.59, 126.24, 126.21, 126.18, 126.04, 122.72, 122.69, 122.21, 122.19, 120.72, 120.68, 29.85, 20.80, 16.20. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 123.2. HRMS-ESI m/z calculated for C<sub>64</sub>H<sub>49</sub>AuClO3PSi<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M<sup>+</sup> -Cl]: 1149.2618. Found 1149.2652.

## Gold complex L12(AuCl)g



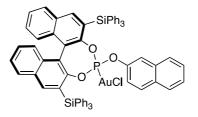
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.14 (s, 1H), 8.07 (s, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.58-7.45 (m, 14H), 7.40-7.19 (m, 22H), 6.63 (bs, 1H), 5.68 (bs, 2H), 1.94 (s, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 151.41, 148.82, 148.77, 142.39, 142.04, 139.06, 136.82, 136.68, 134.43, 134.22, 133.53, 133.34, 131.40, 131.04, 130.06, 130.01, 129.06, 128.35, 128.20, 128.05, 128.01, 127.18, 126.97, 126.79, 126.39, 126.25, 126.07, 118.55, 118.51, 29.85, 21.02. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 122.6. HRMS-ESI *m*/*z* calculated for C<sub>64</sub>H<sub>49</sub>AuClO3PSi<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M<sup>+</sup> -Cl]: 1149.2618 found 1149.2611.

## Gold complex L12(AuCl)h



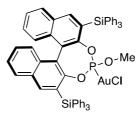
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.18 (s, 1H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.88 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.4 Hz, 6H), 7.53-7.47 (m, 2H), 7.45 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz, 6H), 7.39-7.14 (m, 22H), 6.89 (s, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)δ 151.48, 151.37, 149.41, 149.35, 147.06, 142.51, 142.07, 140.68, 140.59, 136.75, 136.33, 134.54, 134.35, 134.34, 133.29, 133.12, 131.48, 131.08, 131.02, 131.01, 129.94, 129.91, 129.16, 129.08, 128.99, 128.66, 128.53, 128.50, 128.36, 128.22, 128.16, 128.07, 128.04, 127.10, 126.70, 126.45, 126.15, 125.82, 125.79, 125.45, 122.69, 122.66, 122.55, 122.52, 121.75. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 124.1. HRMS-ESI m/z calculated for C<sub>62</sub>H<sub>42</sub>AuCl<sub>3</sub>O<sub>3</sub>PSi<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M<sup>+</sup>-Cl]: 1223.1136 found 1226.1160.

## Gold complex L12(AuCl)i



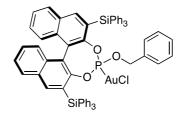
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.16 (s, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.89 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.53 (m, 6H), 7.48-7.45 (m, 6H), 7.44-7.27 (m, 16H), 7.25-7.23 (m, 4H), 7.15-7.11 (m, 7H), 6.43 (t, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (ddd, J = 8.9, 2.4, 0.8 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  151.36, 151.25, 149.30, 149.24, 146.95, 142.39, 141.96, 140.57, 140.48, 136.64, 136.22, 134.43, 134.24, 134.22, 133.17, 133.01, 131.37, 130.97, 130.91, 130.89, 129.82, 129.79, 129.05, 128.97, 128.88, 128.55, 128.41, 128.39, 128.24, 128.10, 128.04, 127.96, 127.93, 126.98, 126.58, 126.34, 126.04, 125.71, 125.68, 125.34, 122.57, 122.55, 122.43, 122.40, 121.63. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  122.8. HRMS-ESI m/z calculated for C<sub>66</sub>H<sub>47</sub>AuClO<sub>3</sub>PSi<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M<sup>+</sup>-Cl]: 1170.7673 found 1170.7670.

#### Gold complex L12(AuCl)j



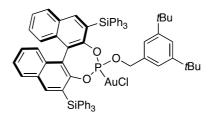
<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.14 (s, 1H), 8.13 (s, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.82 (s, 1H), 7.64-7.59 (m, 12H), 7.49-7.33 (m, 24H), 2.53 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 150.95, 150.78, 149.56, 149.48, 142.22, 141.86, 137.05, 136.68, 136.33, 134.28, 134.07, 133.95, 133.86, 133.42, 131.22, 130.83, 130.12, 129.90, 129.56, 129.06, 128.92, 128.25, 128.16, 127.92, 127.85, 126.84, 126.75, 126.13, 126.08, 125.91, 125.80, 125.33, 122.94, 122.89, 121.85, 121.82, 67.15. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)δ 130.5. HRMS-ESI *m*/*z* calculated for C<sub>57</sub>H<sub>43</sub>AuClO<sub>3</sub>PSi<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M<sup>+</sup>-Cl]: 1059.2148 found 1059.2140.

### Gold complex L12(AuCl)k



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.13 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 7.86 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.66-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.60 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.3 Hz, 6H), 7.49 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.3 Hz, 8H), 7.41-7.32 (m, 10H), 7.29 (dd, J = 7.6, 2.4 Hz, 10H), 7.25-7.18 (m, 2H), 7.14 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 6.68 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (dd, J = 11.8, 9.0 Hz, 1H), 3.70 (dd, J = 11.9, 7.5 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 140.76, 136.80, 136.73, 136.55, 136.48, 136.44, 136.37, 136.26, 134.67, 134.49, 134.31, 133.84, 130.65, 130.12, 129.95, 129.55, 129.46, 129.43, 128.71, 128.68, 128.35, 128.29, 128.22, 127.98, 127.85, 127.79, 127.66, 127.60, 127.56, 127.26, 126.96, 126.90, 126.79, 126.70, 126.45, 124.71, 124.67, 99.99, 67.94, 67.26, 65.23, 65.12, 64.82, 45.86. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 126.8. HRMS-ESI *m*/*z* calculated for C<sub>63</sub>H<sub>47</sub>AuClO<sub>3</sub>PSi<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M<sup>+</sup>-Cl]: 1134.7673 found 1134.7670.

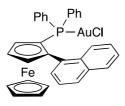
### Gold complex L12(AuCl)l



<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.13 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 7.84 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.67-7.64 (m, 1H), 7.59 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.3 Hz, 6H), 7.48 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.3 Hz, 6H), 7.52-7.45 (m, 2H), 7.39-7.31 (m, 11H), 7.30-7.26 (m, 5H), 7.25-7.18 (m, 6H), 6.61 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 2H), 3.93 (dd, J = 11.3, 8.4 Hz, 1H), 3.78 (dd, J = 11.4, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 1.20 (s, 18H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  152.97, 151.22, 149.85, 149.75, 148.89, 148.81, 142.21, 141.98, 136.62, 136.54, 134.28, 134.07, 133.37, 133.16, 131.28, 130.95, 129.94, 129.87, 128.96, 128.87, 128.21, 128.02, 127.89, 126.93, 126.73, 126.28, 126.15, 126.11, 126.07, 125.94, 122.64, 122.44, 122.09, 122.04, 117.92, 34.64, 31.08, 29.73. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}-NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  125.6. HRMS-ESI m/z calculated for C<sub>71H63</sub>AuClO<sub>3</sub>PSi<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> [M<sup>+</sup>-Cl]: 1224.6273 found 1224.6271.

### Synthesis of Ferrocenyl Phosphine Au(I) Complexes

Chiral ferrocenyl phosphines L9 and L10 were prepared following a reported procedure.<sup>12</sup>



## Preparation of gold complex L9(AuCl)

To a stirred solution of (tht)AuCl (24 mg, 0.10 mmol) in THF (2 mL) a solution of (S)-2-(1-naphtyl)-1-(diphenylphosphanyl)ferrocene<sup>13</sup> in THF (2 mL) was dropwise added at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred for 55 min. The solvent was evaporated, then hexane was added (2 mL) and quickly evaporated. The procedure was repeated three times. The crude green-yellowish solid was purified by flash chromatography (7:3 hexanes/EtOAc) to give a bright-orange solid, which was crystallized from 25/1 diethyl ether/dichloromethane mixture to give L9(AuCl) in 92% yield.  $[\alpha]_D = -41.4$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.51 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.84 – 7.76 (m, 3H), 7.71 (dd, J = 10.3, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (dt, J = 10.6, 5.3 Hz, 1H), 7.57 – 7.47 (m, 3H), 7.25 (ddd, J = 9.3, 7.6, 3.4 Hz, 4H), 7.21 - 7.14 (m, 1H), 7.06 (ddd, J = 5.8, 5.2, 2.1 Hz, 3H), 4.77 (dd, J = 3.7, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 4.73 (td, J = 2.5, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (s, 5H), 4.24 - 4.19 (m, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  134.40 (d, J = 14.4 Hz), 133.34, 133.29 (d, J= 14.5 Hz), 132.38 (d, J = 90.1 Hz), 131.78, 131.67 (d, J = 2.5 Hz), 131.00 (d, J = 2.6 Hz), 130.66 (d, J = 5.7 Hz), 128.80 (d, J = 6.6 Hz), 128.68, 128.38, 128.19 (d, J = 5.6 Hz), 94.79 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz), 77.25, 76.44, 72.49 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 70.41 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  24.43. HRMS (MALDI+, m/z) calcd. for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>25</sub>AuClFeP (M<sup>+</sup>) 728.03919, found 728.0669.

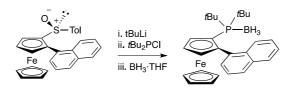
The structure of this complex was determined by X-ray crystallography: CCDC 933753.

(S)-2-(1-Naphtyl)-1-[di-tert-butylphosphanyl(borane)]ferrocene (L10·BH<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>12</sup> Jensen, J. F.; Søtofte, I.; Sørensen, H. O.; Johannsen M. J. Org. Chem. 2003, 68, 1258– 1265.

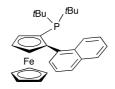
<sup>13</sup> Pedersen, H. L.; Johannsen, M. J. Org. Chem. 2002, 67, 7982–7994.

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To a stirred solution of  $(S_P, S_S)$ -sulfoxide (1000 mg, 2.22 mmol) in THF (44 mL, 0.05 M) at -78 °C was added dropwise t-BuLi (1.7 M solution in pentane, 2.1 mL, 3.55 mmol). The reaction was stirred for additional 15 min and t-Bu<sub>2</sub>PCl (1.054 mL, 5.55 mmol) was added dropwise to the dark red solution of the lithiated ferrocene. After being stirred for 30 min at -78 °C, the reaction was heated quickly to 70 °C and stirred for 48 h. The deep-red solution was then cooled to -78 °C and BH<sub>3</sub>·THF (1M in THF, 11.100 mL, 11.1 mmol) was added slowly to the reaction via syringe. The reaction was heated quickly to 23 °C and stirred at that temperature for 1 h followed by quenching with 2M NaOH and extraction with diethyl ether. The organic layer was washed with saturated brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated Ander reduced pressure. The resulting residue was flash chromatographed through a short column of silica gel (99:1 hexane/diethyl ether) to give 285 mg (yield 28%) of **L10·BH**<sub>3</sub> as an orange oil:  $[\alpha]_D = -26.8$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.38 (d, J =7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.33 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.32 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 4.83 – 4.71 (m, 3H), 4.42 (s, 5H), 1.51 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 3H), 1.30 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 9H), 0.94 (d, J = 13.2 Hz, 9 12.8 Hz, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ134.93, 133.61, 133.07, 132.82, 128.36, 128.21, 126.24, 125.11, 124.91, 124.41, 94.18, 75.47, 75.18, 71.78, 71.17, 70.24, δ 34.39 (d, J = 7.0 Hz), 34.17 (d, J = 7.2 Hz), 29.36 (d, J = 1.4 Hz), 28.82. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  48.04 (dd, J = 102.5, 49.4 Hz). HRMS (ESI+, m/z) calcd. for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>36</sub>BNaFeP (M+Na) 493.1895, found 493.1897.

#### (S)-2-(1-Naphtyl)-1-(di-tert-butylphosphanyl)ferrocene (L10).



To a solution of **L10·BH<sub>3</sub>** (185 mg, 0.39 mmol,) in anhydrous toluene (19.5 mL, 0.02 M) was added DABCO (218 mg, 1.59 mmol), and the mixture was heated to 60  $^{\circ}$ C for 7.5 h. After being concentrated under reduced pressure, the crude residue was purified by flash chromatography (9:1 pentane/AcOEt) to give **L10** 130 mg (73%)

yield %) as a red-orange oil. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.20 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (dd, J= 8.1, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dddd, J = 21.7, 8.2, 6.7, 1.3 Hz, 2H), 4.90 (td, J = 2.3, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (td, J = 2.5, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 4.53 (dd, J = 2.6, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 5H), 1.61 (dd, J = 11.6, 4.0 Hz, 9H), 0.70 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 9H). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (162 MHz)  $\delta$  17.7; HRMS (ESI+, m/z) calcd. for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>33</sub>FeP (M+1) 457.1748, found 457.1769.

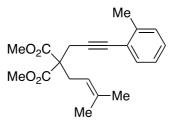
#### Gold complex L10(AuCl)



Gold complex **L10(AuCl)** was synthesized according to the procedure described for **L9(AuCl)**.  $[\alpha]_D = +60.6$ . <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  8.38 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (dd, J = 30.9, 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.69 – 7.64 (m, 1H), 7.42 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (dd, J = 11.2, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 5.00 (s, 1H), 4.88 (t, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.59 (s, 1H), 4.36 (s, 5H), 1.80 (d, J = 15.6 Hz, 9H), 0.95 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  133.81, 133.26, 132.98, 132.29, 128.90, 128.65, 126.04, 125.58, 125.52, 125.41, 94.96 (d, J = 13.6 Hz), 74.68 (d, J = 6.5 Hz), 72.94 (d, J = 47.1 Hz), 72.57 (d, J = 8.4 Hz), 71.97, 70.84 (d, J = 5.8 Hz), 37.28 (d, J = 8.2 Hz), 36.90 (d, J = 8.2 Hz), 30.99 (d, J = 6.1 Hz), 30.06 (d, J = 6.1 Hz). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  59.92 (s); HRMS (ESI+, m/z) calcd for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>23</sub>FePNa (M+Na) 711.0921, found 711.0921.

The structure of this complex was determined by X-ray crystallography: CCDC 933754.

2-(3-Methyl-but-2-enyl)-2-(3-*o*-tolyl-prop-2-ynyl)-malonic acid dimethyl ester (1e).

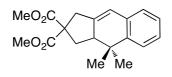


Enyne **1e** prepared in 72 % yield by Sonogashira coupling using 2-methyliodobenzene according to the reported procedure.<sup>7</sup> <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 7.33 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.20-7.06 (m, 3H), 4.97 (t, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 6H), 3.05 (s, 2H), 2.85 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 1.72 (s, 3H), 1.66 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  171.3 (CO), 140.7 (C), 137.5 (C), 132.7 (CH), 130.0 (CH), 128.6 (CH), 126.1 (CH), 123.7 (C), 117.8 (CH), 89.2 (C), 82.8 (C), 58.2 (C), 53.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 31.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 24.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 18.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>).

### Enantioselective Gold-Catalyzed [4+2] Cycloaddition

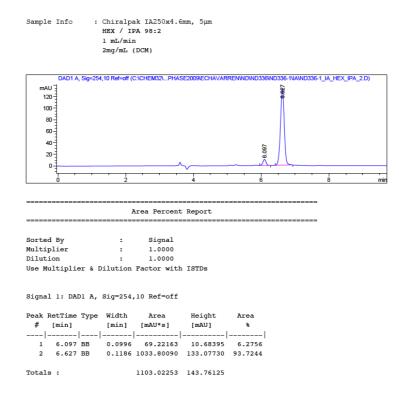
In a typical experiment, chiral gold(I) complex L12(AuCl)d (5mol%) and AgNTf<sub>2</sub> (5 mol%) were weighed in a glove box.  $CH_2Cl_2$  (0.008 M) was added and the resulting solution was stirred for 10 min at 0 °C and further 10 min at room temperature. The obtained catalyst solution was cooled to the indicated temperature followed by dropwise addition of a solution of the desired enyne I-13 (1.0 equiv) in  $CH_2Cl_2$  (0.2 M) over 10 min. After complete addition, stirring was continued at the indicated temperature until the starting material was consumed. After quenching with a solution of NEt<sub>3</sub> in hexane (0.1 M, 1 mL), the solids were removed by filtration over silica. Evaporation of the title compound. Enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC.

## Dimethyl 4,4-Dimethyl-3a,4-dihydro-1*H*-cyclopenta[*b*]naphthalene-2,2(3*H*)dicarboxylate (2a)



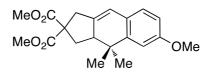
**2a** was synthesized from **1a** according to the general procedure after stirring at -20  $^{\circ}$ C for 18 h (126 mg, 98% yield). Analytical data are in agreement with those reported.<sup>7</sup>

 $[\alpha]_{D}^{25} = -25.0 \pm 2.0 \ (c = 0.1065, \text{CHCl}_{3}).$  Enantiomeric excess: 88% *ee* (Chiralpak IA 250x4.6mm, 5µm, HEX / IPA 98:2, 1 mL/min).



When the cyclization of **1a** was carried out in with  $L(AuCl)_2$  (L= (*R*)-4-MeO-3,5-(*t*Bu)<sub>2</sub>MeOBIPHEP = DTBM-MeO-BIPHEP) (3 mol%) and AgOTf (6 mol%) in Et<sub>2</sub>O, in addition to **2a** (74 ee, estimated by chiral HPLC), known **4**<sup>14</sup> was also obtained (72:28 ratio). We could not find conditions that would allow the full resolution of **4** and the enantiomers of **2a** by chiral HPLC. Presumably, in the presence of solvent such as Et<sub>2</sub>O, more basic than CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, elimination to form **4** competes with the cycloaddition to form **2a**.

## Dimethyl 6-Methoxy-4,4-dimethyl-3a,4-dihydro-1*H*-cyclopenta[*b*]naphthalene-2,2(3H)-dicarboxylate (2b)

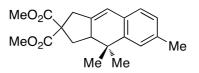


**2b** was synthesized from **1b** according to the general procedure after stirring at -20  $^{\circ}$ C for 30 h (120 mg, 85.5% yield). Analytical data are in agreement with those reported.<sup>7</sup>

<sup>14</sup> Porcel, S.; Echavarren, A. M. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2007, 46, 2672-2676.

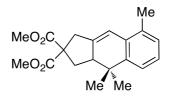
Enantiomeric excess: 86% *ee* (Chiralpak IC 250x4.6mm, 5µm, Hex / THF 98:2, 1 mL/min).

Dimethyl-4,4,6-trimethyl-3a,4-dihydro-1*H*-cyclopenta[*b*]naphthalene-2,2(3H)dicarboxylate (2c)



**2c** was synthesized from **1c** according to the general procedure after stirring at -20 °C for 15 h (134 mg, 98% yield). Analytical data are in agreement with those reported.<sup>7</sup> Enantiomeric excess: 87% *ee* (Chiralpak IC 250x4.6mm, 5 $\mu$ m, Hex / IPA 99:1, 1 mL/min).

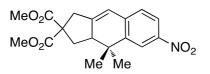
Dimethyl-4,4,8-trimethyl-3a,4-dihydro-1*H*-cyclopenta[*b*]naphthalene-2,2(3H)dicarboxylate (2d)



**2d** was synthesized from **1e** according to the general procedure after stirring at -20 °C for 30 h (93 mg, 70% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.15 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.06 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 6.57-6.54 (m, 1H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.32 (d, J = 19.2 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (dt, J = 17.9, 3 Hz, 1H), 2.70-2.55 (m, 2H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.14 (t, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 1.40 (s, 3H), 0.91 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  172.3, 172.1, 144.3, 143.1, 133.2, 132.3, 128.3, 126.6, 121.4, 116.2, 59.1, 53.0, 47.9, 39.8, 37.0, 35.0, 26.1, 21.8, 19.8; HRAPCI-MS m/z = 351.1 [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>, calc. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>4</sub> = 328.17.

Enantiomeric excess: 79% ee (Chiralpak IC 250x4.6mm, 5µm, Hex / IPA 99:1, 1 mL/min)

Dimethyl 4,4-Dimethyl-6-nitro-3a,4-dihydro-1*H*-cyclopenta[*b*]naphthalene-2,2(3H)-dicarboxylate (2e)

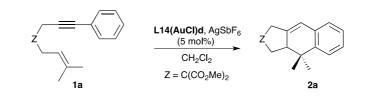


**2d** was synthesized from **1d** according to the general procedure after stirring at 0 °C for 15 h (118 mg, 80% yield). Analytical data are in agreement with those reported.<sup>7</sup> Enantiomeric excess: 73% *ee* (Chiralpak IB 250x4.6mm, 5 $\mu$ m, HEX / IPA 96:4, 1 mL/min).

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2	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	1 h	79
3	DCE	20 h	63
4	Et <sub>2</sub> O	20 h	82
5	toluene	2 days	n.r.
6	MeNO <sub>2</sub>	16 h	66
7	dioxane	1 day	n.r.
8	acetone- $d_6$	1 day	82

## Influence of solvent on the cyclization of 1a to 2a.

## Influence of anion on the cyclization of 1a to 2a

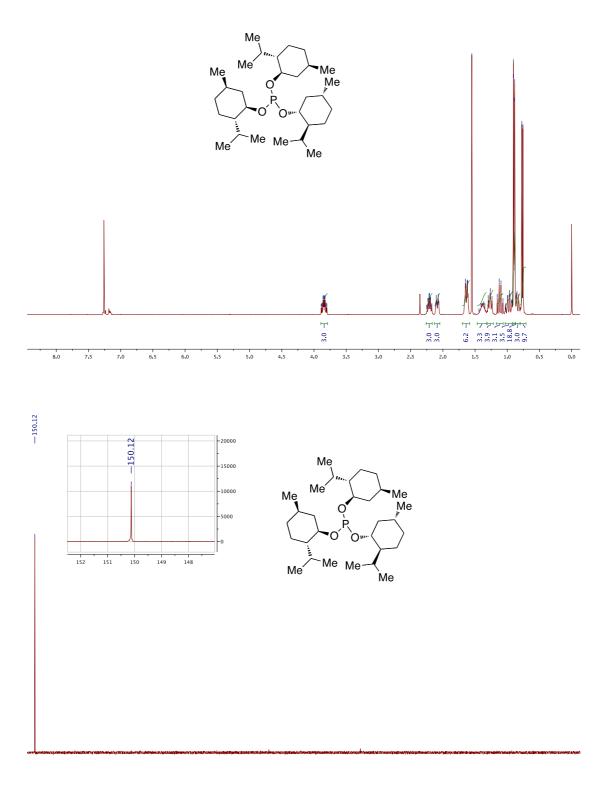


Entry	AgX	t	ee (%)
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2	AgOTf	2 h	80
3	AgOBz	1 day	n.r.
4	AgPF <sub>6</sub>	1 day	72
5	AgNTF <sub>2</sub>	2 h	82
6	NaBAr <sub>F</sub>	1 day	81

All Reactions were performed at 0 °C and slowly warmed to room temperature until complete conversion. Enantiomeric excesses were measured by chiral HPLC.

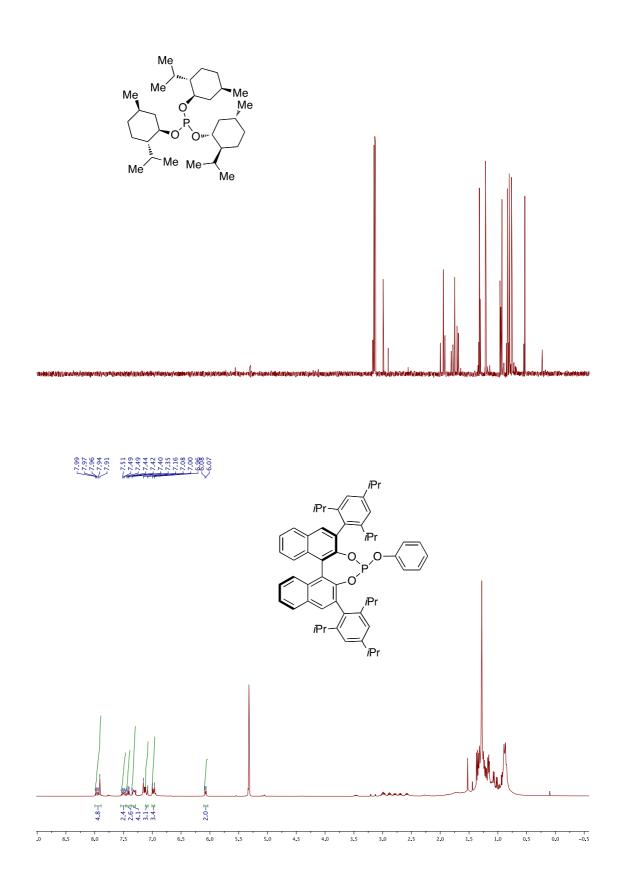
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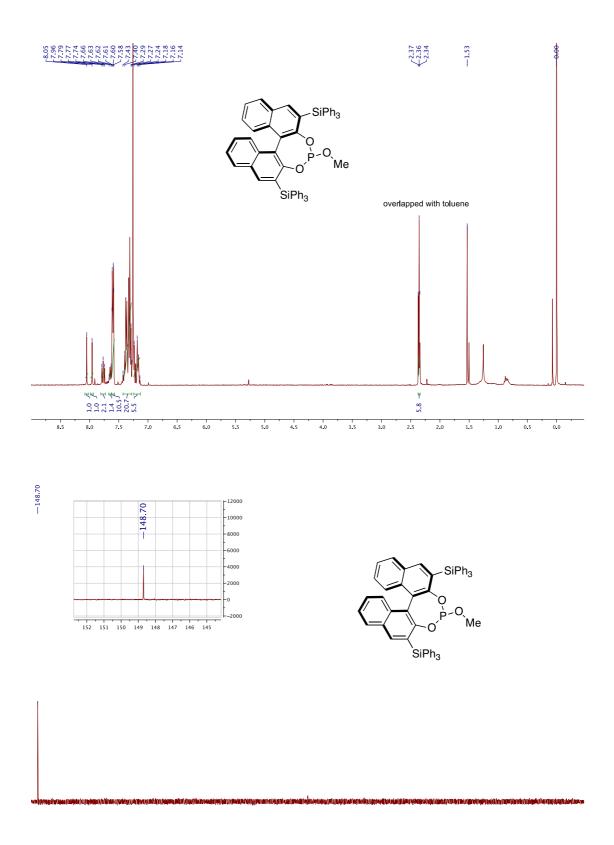
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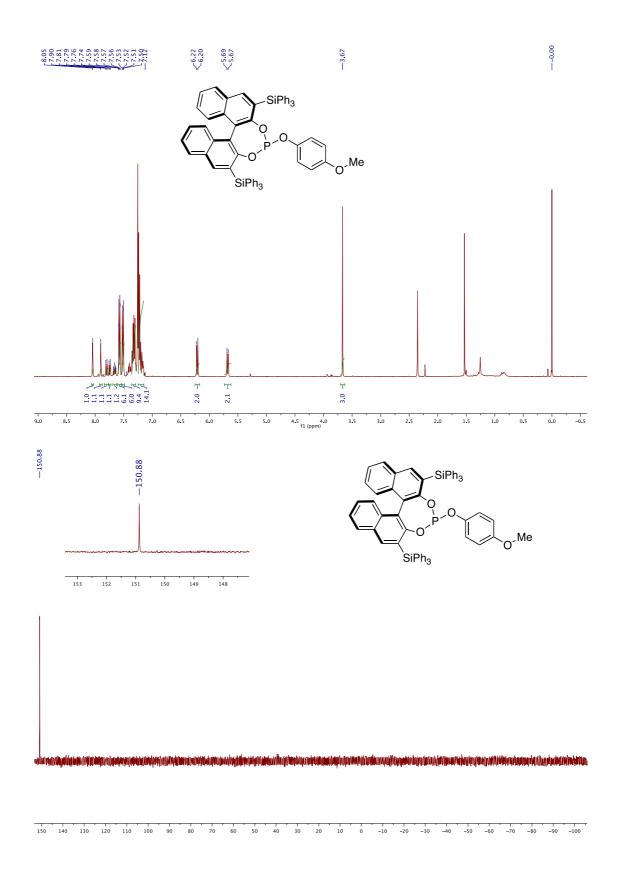
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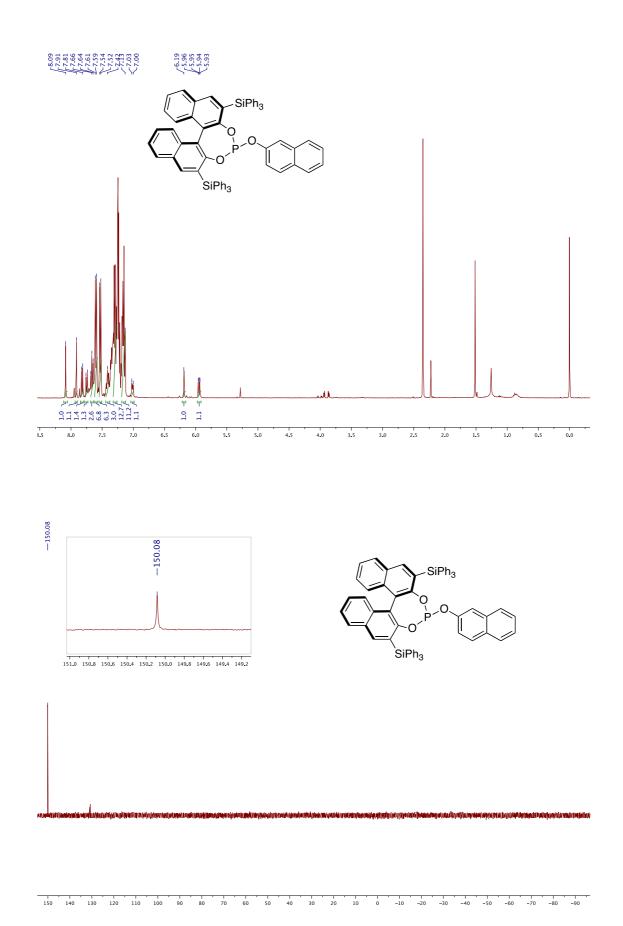


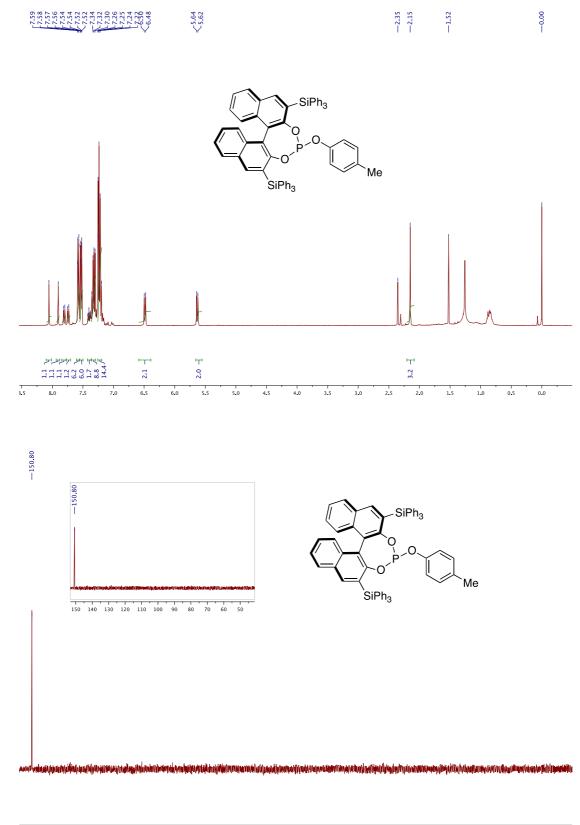
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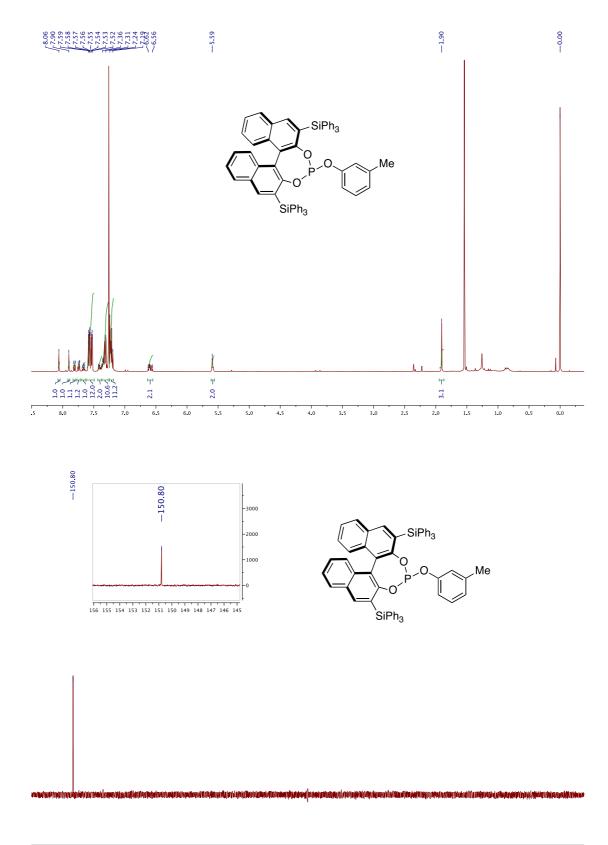


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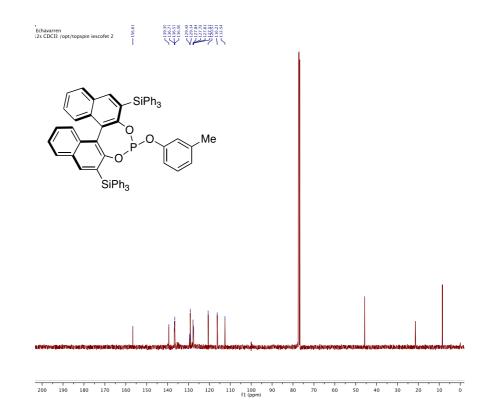


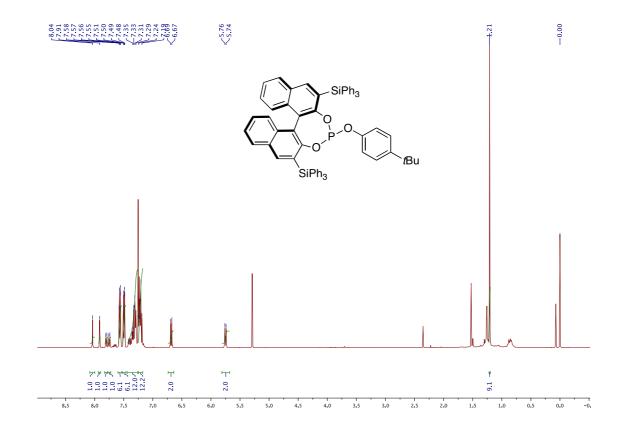
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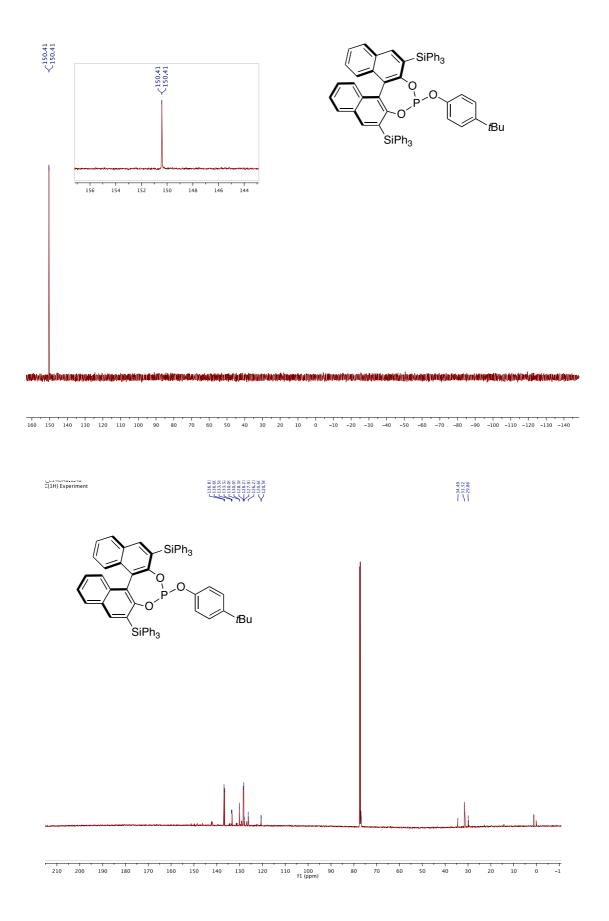


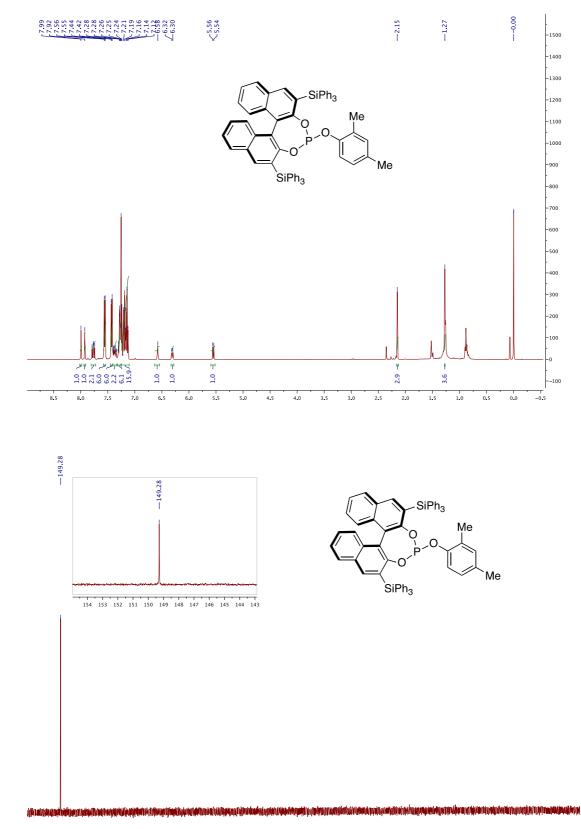
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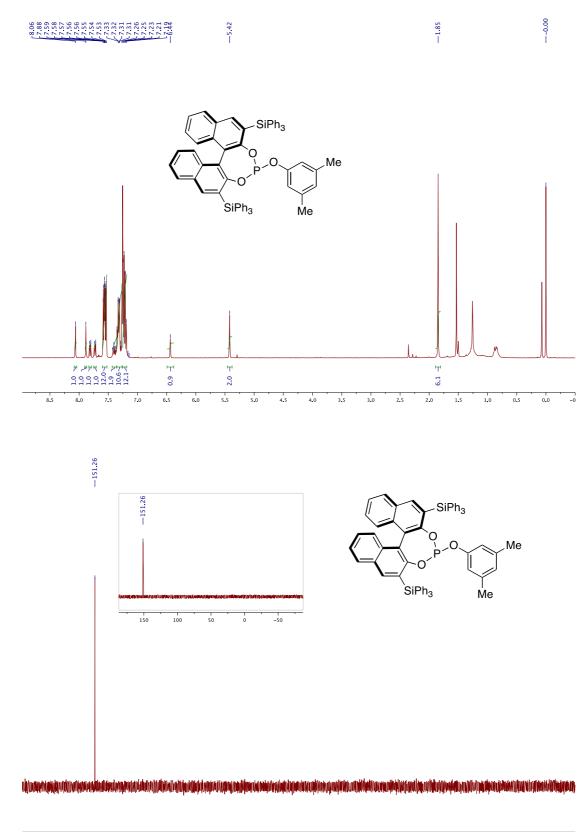




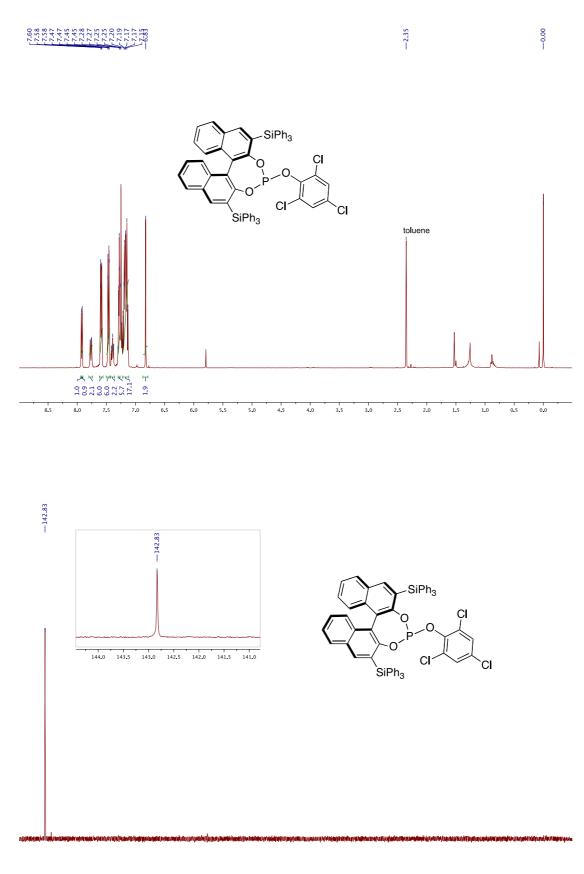




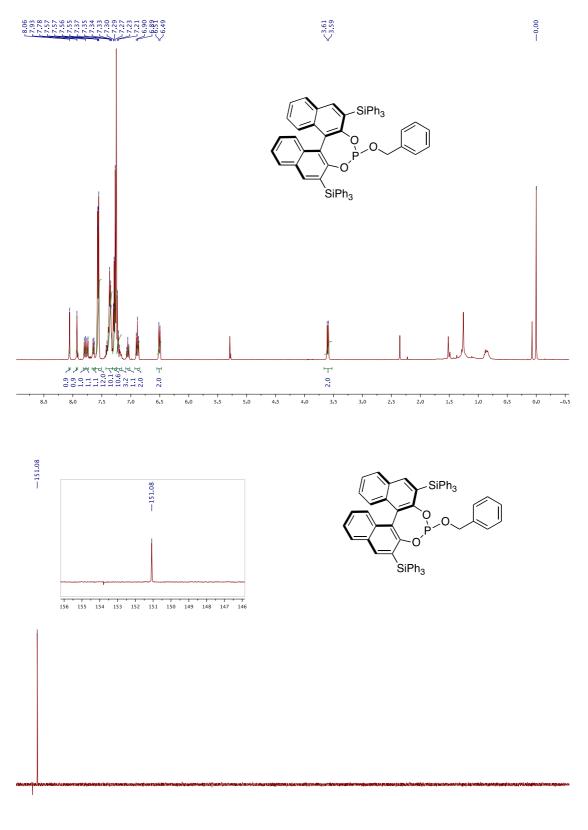
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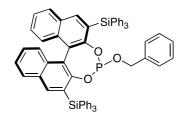
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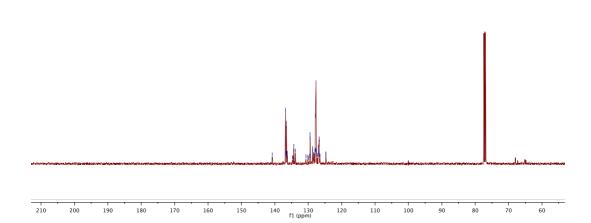


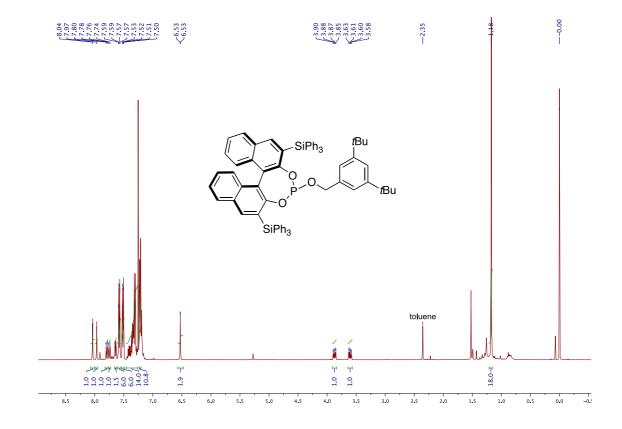
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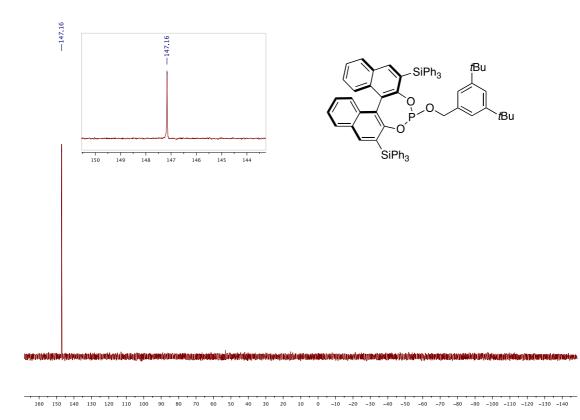


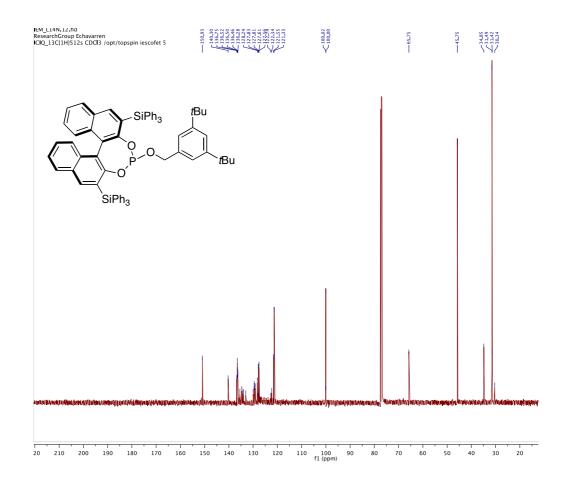
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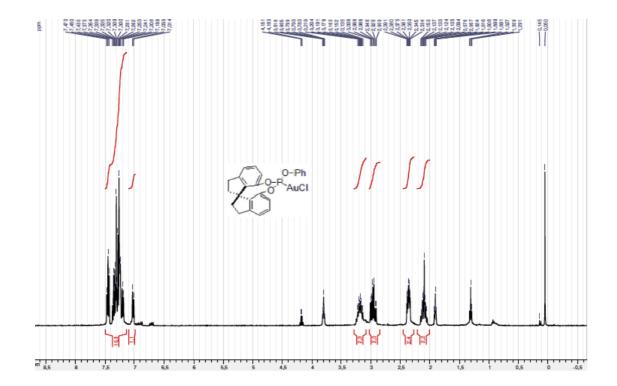


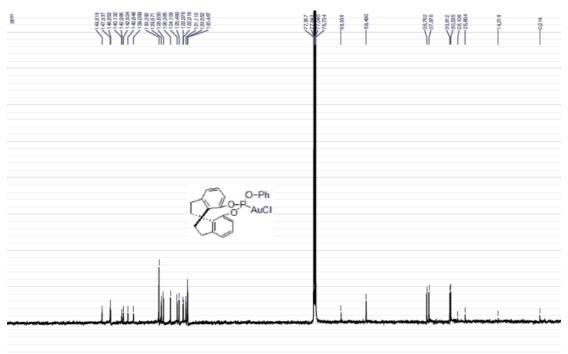




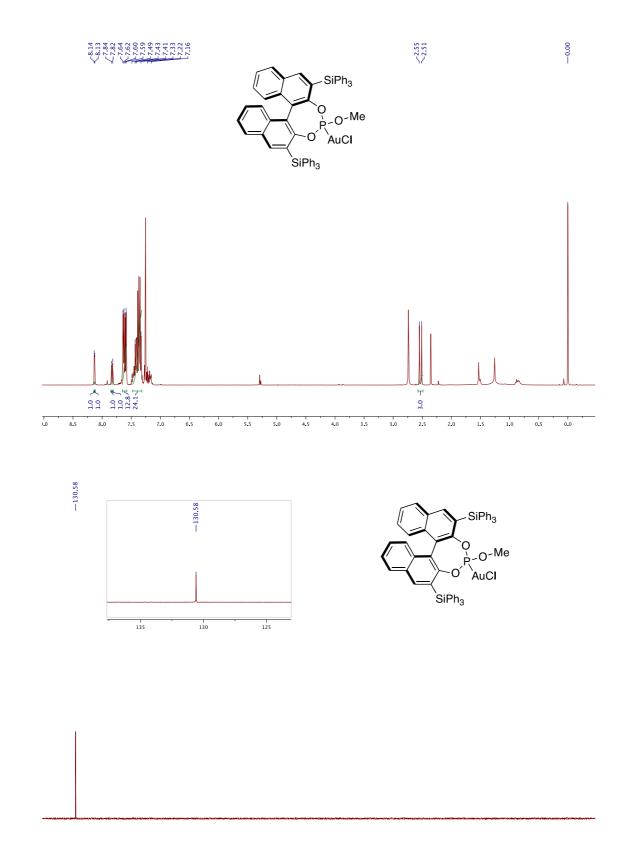




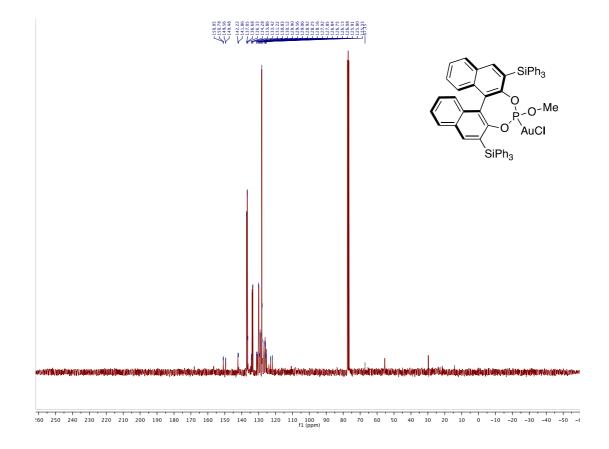


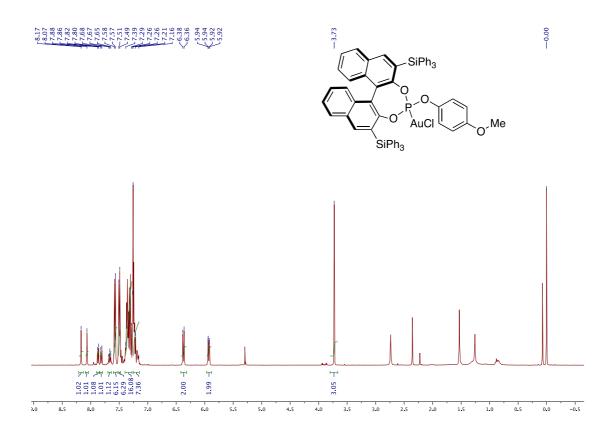


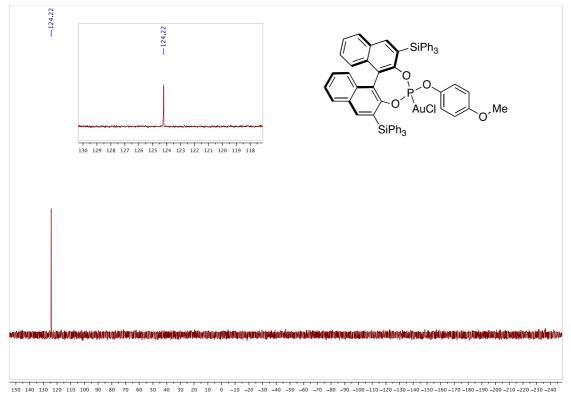
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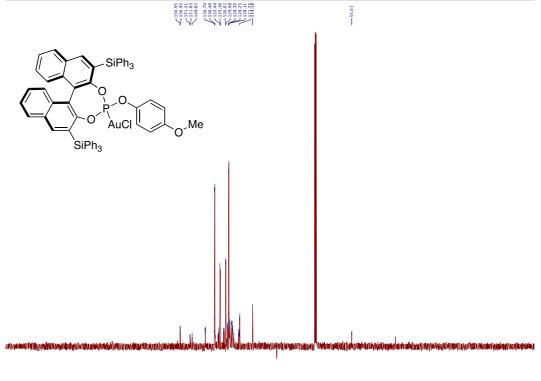


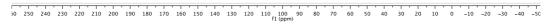
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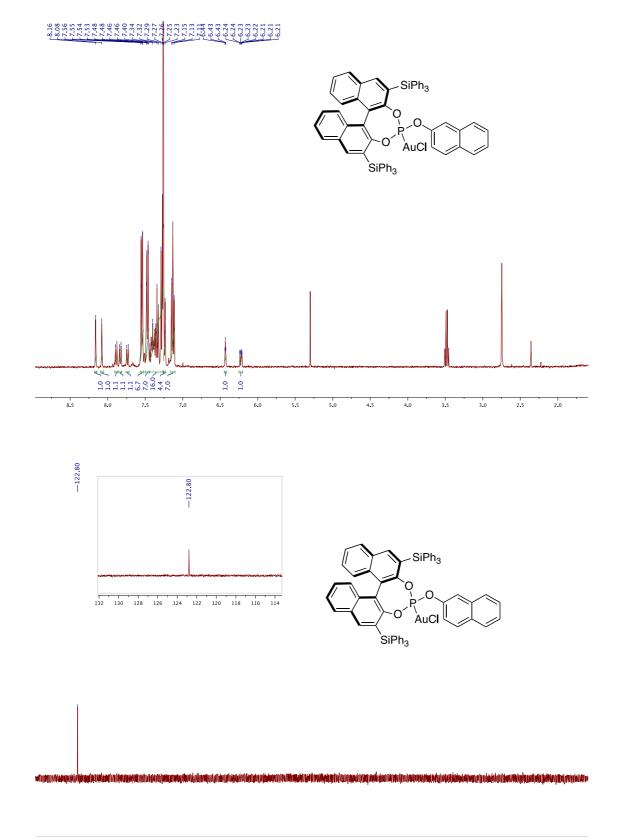






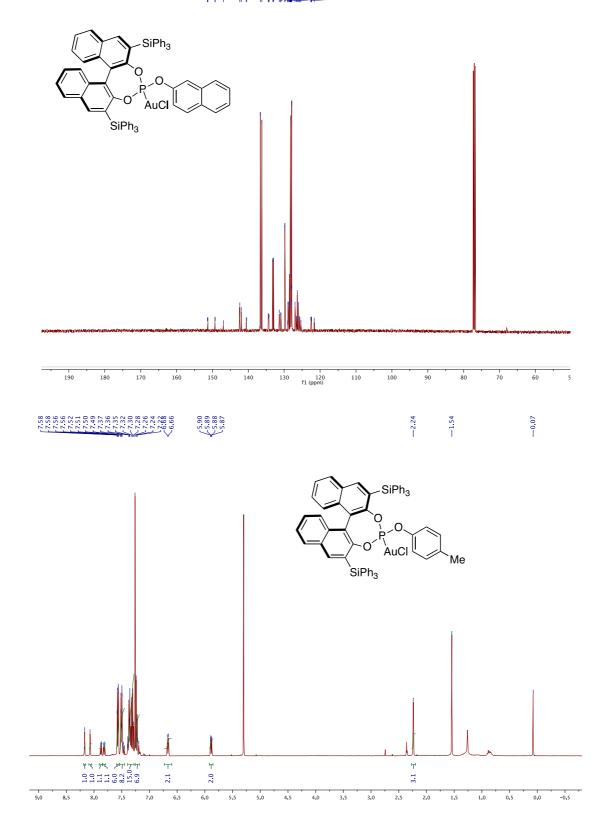


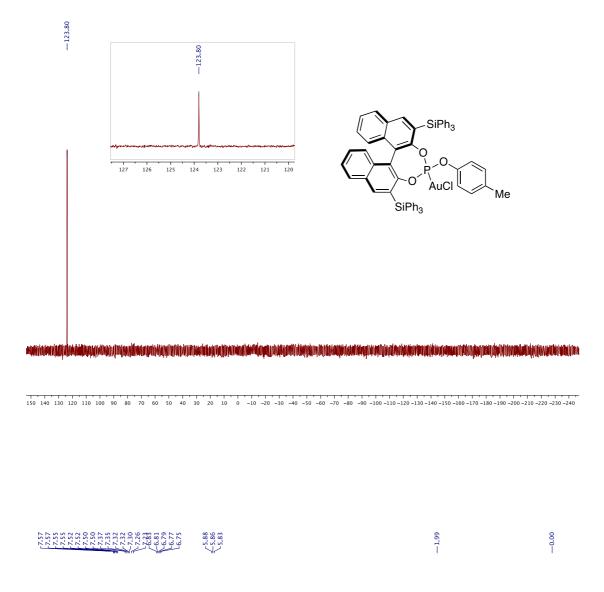


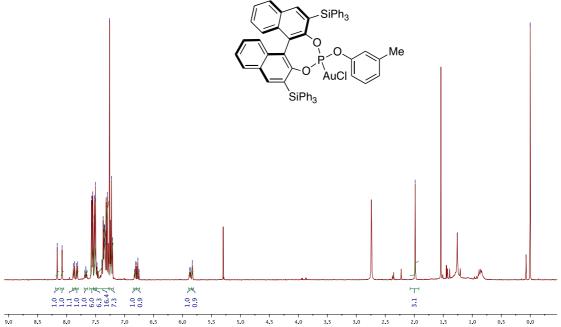


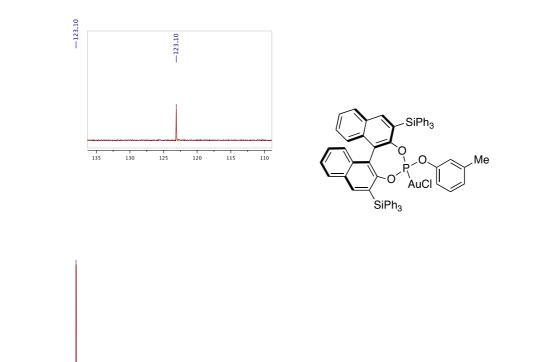
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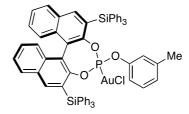


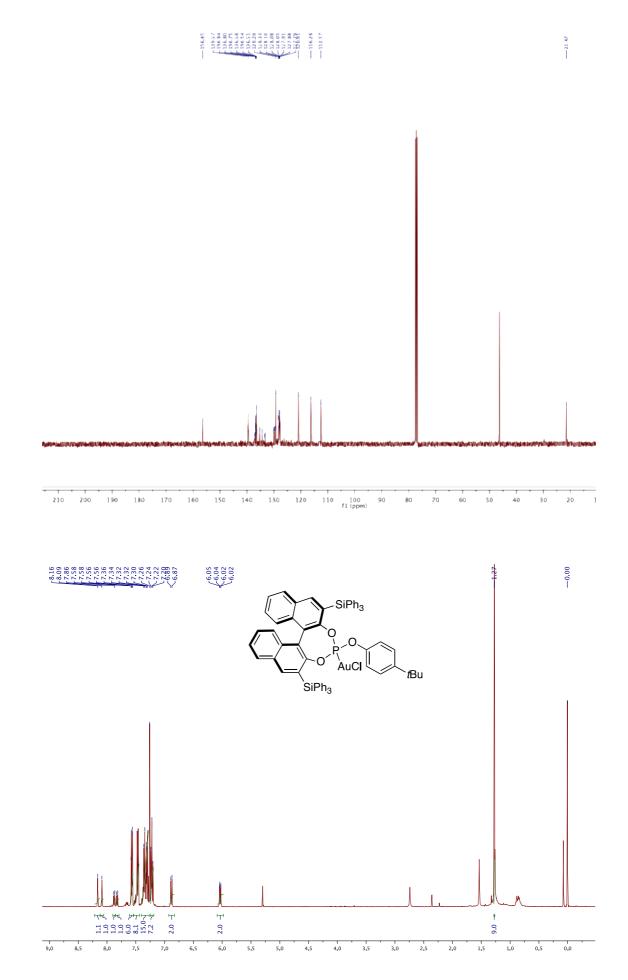


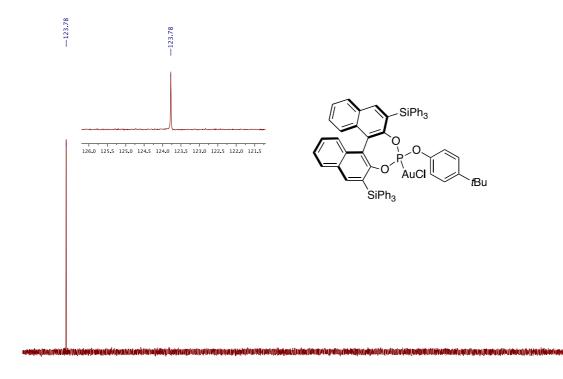




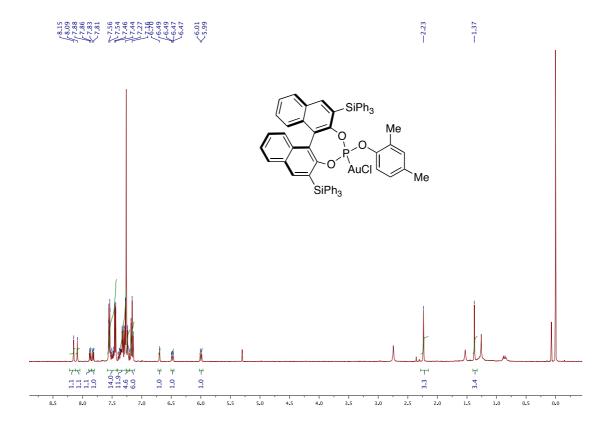
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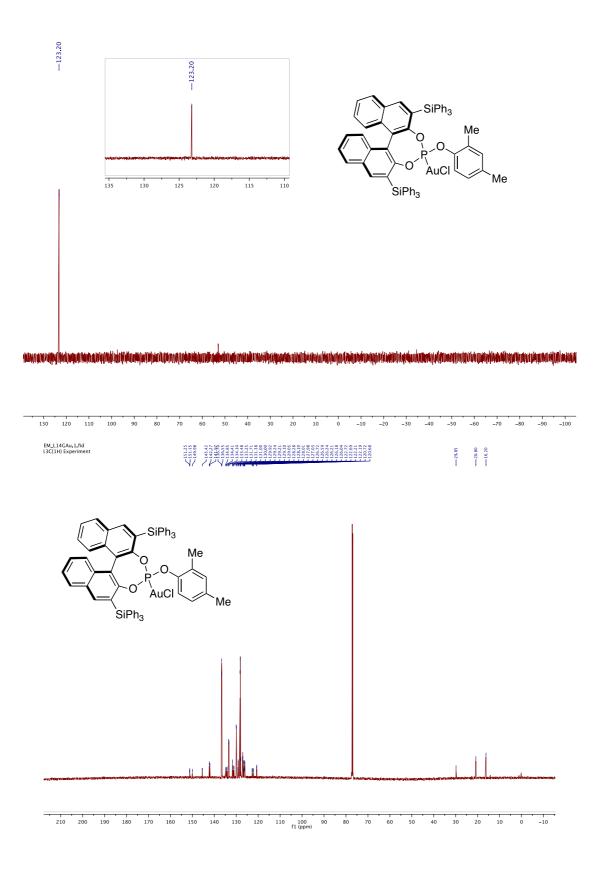


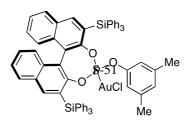


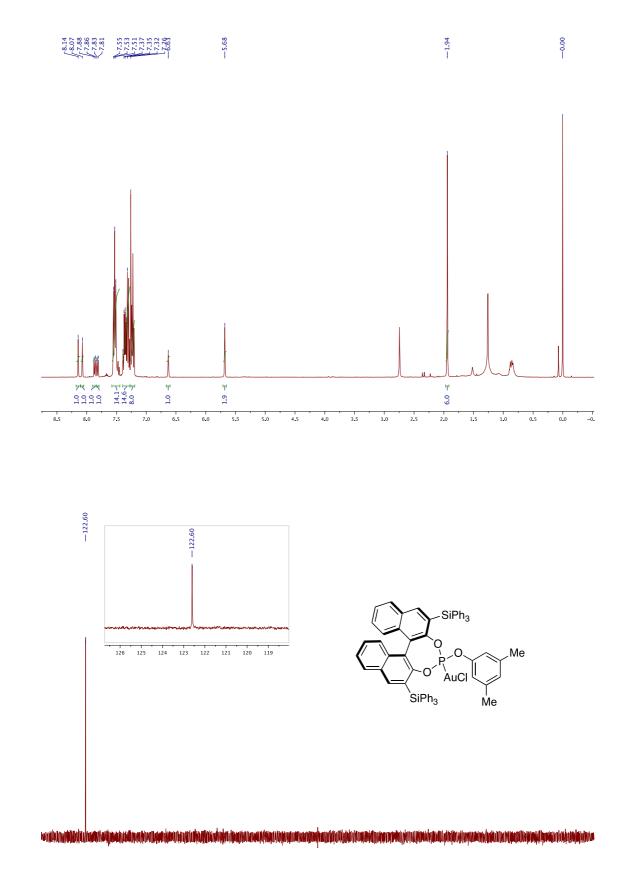


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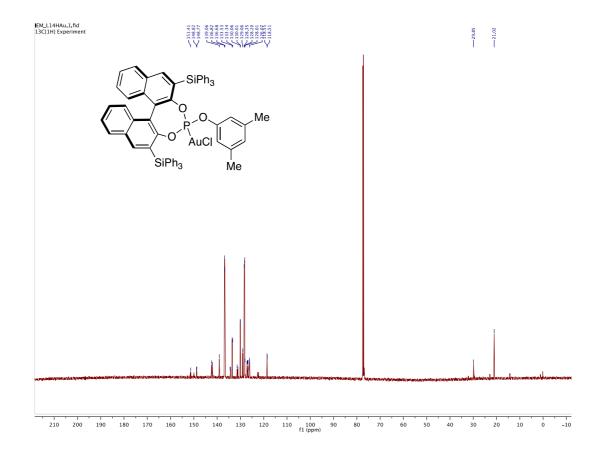


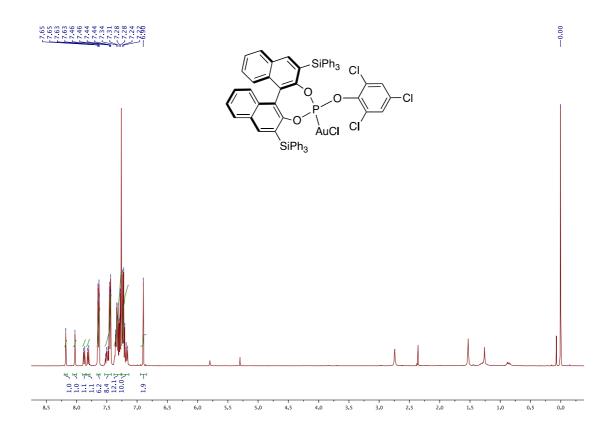


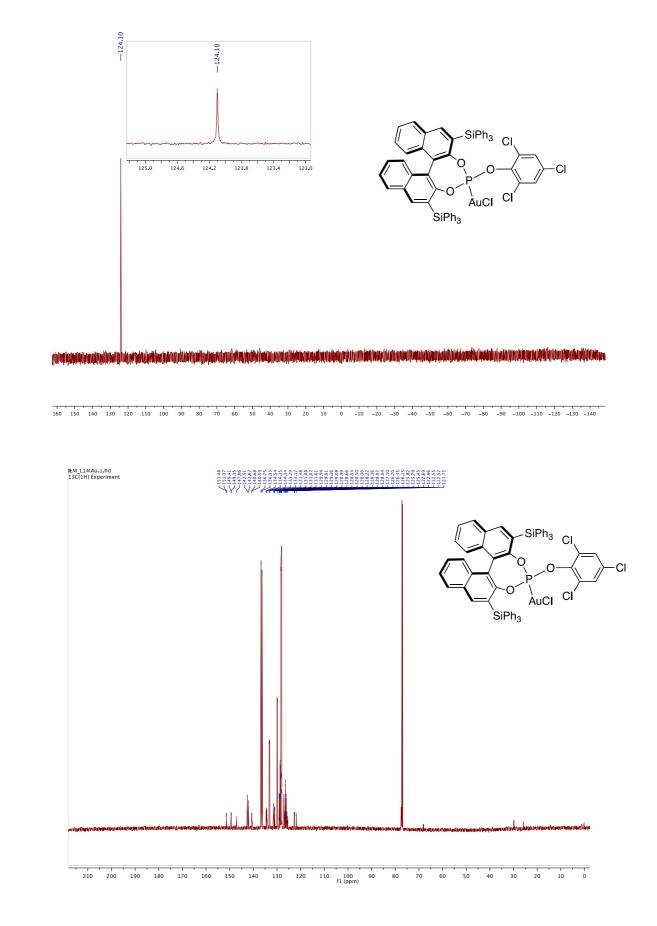


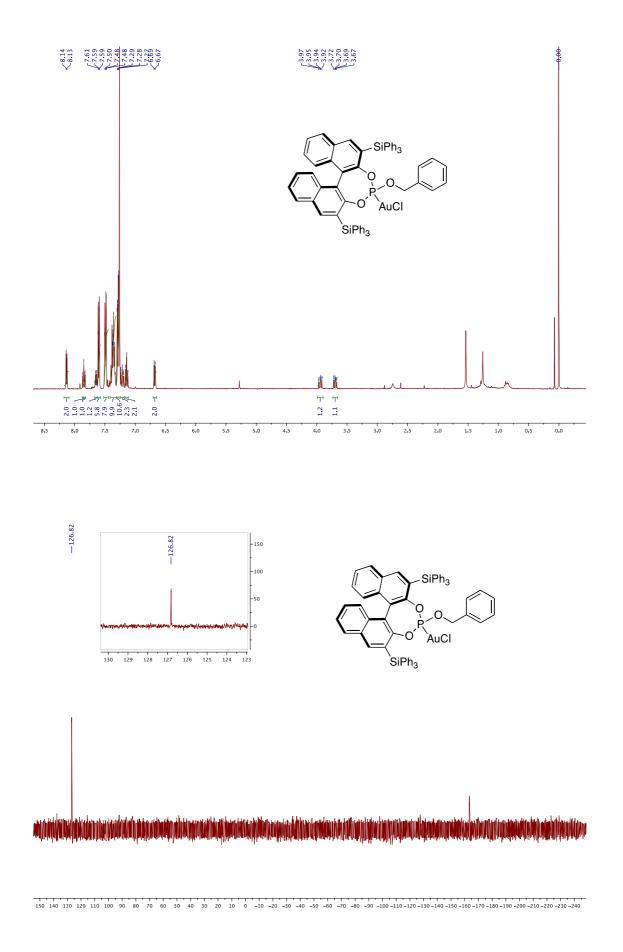


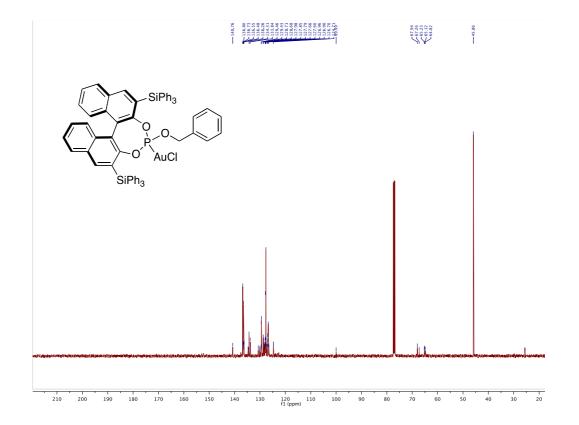
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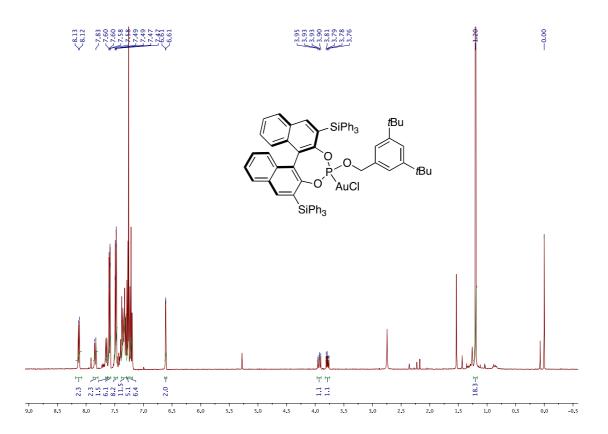


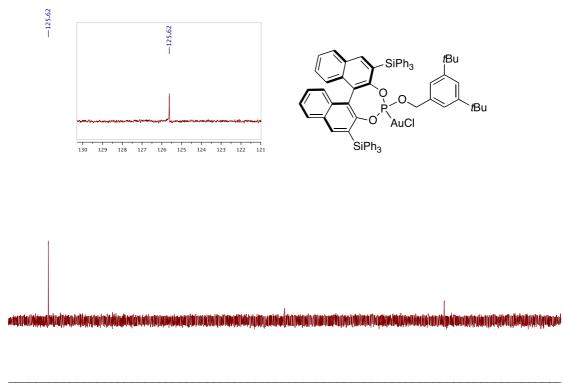




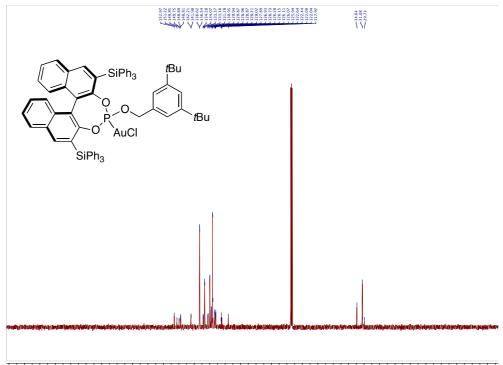








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