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Enantiospecific Deoxyfluorination of Cyclic α -OH- β -Ketoesters

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1. General Information:

Spectroscopy: NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker Avance III 300 MHz spectrometer with a broad band observe probe and a sample changer for 16 samples, on a Bruker Avance DRX 500 MHz spectrometer, and on a Bruker Avance III 700 MHz spectrometer with an Ascend magnet and TCI cryoprobe which are property to the Austro Czech NMR Research Center "RERI uasb". Chemical shifts (δ) are given in parts per million (ppm), coupling constants (J) are given in Hertz (Hz). All NMR spectra were referenced on the solvent residual peak (CDCl₃: δ 7.26 ppm for ¹H NMR and δ 77.16 ppm for ¹³C NMR). ¹H NMR spectra are reported as follows: chemical shift (δ ppm) (multiplicity, coupling constants, number of protons, assignment). Peak multiplicities are denoted as: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, br = broad, dd = doublet of doublet, etc. Mass spectrometry: High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a Thermo Fisher Scientific LTQ Orbitrap XL hybrid FT mass spectrometer with an ESI source and an Agilent G1607A coaxial sprayer. **Polarimetry**: Optical rotations ($[\alpha]_{\lambda}^{temp}$) were measured on a Schmidt+Haensch Unipol L 100 polarimeter and data is reported as follows: $[\alpha]$ -values are listed in deg·cm³·g⁻¹·dm⁻¹, concentration (c in g/100 mL), and solvent. *Melting Points:* Melting points (MP) are reported in degrees Celsius (°C), using a Büchi M-560 apparatus and are reported uncorrected. Chromatography: Preparative column chromatography was carried out using Davisil LC 60A 70-200 MICRON silica gel. Thin layer chromatography was performed on Macherey-Nagel pre-coated TLC plates (silica gel, 60 F254, 0.20 mm, ALUGRAM[®] Xtra SIL). TLC plates were visualized under 254 nm UV lamp and using permanent staining methods (p-anisaldehyde: 2.5 mL p-anisaldehyde, 93 mL absolute EtOH, 3.5 mL conc. H₂SO₄ and 1 mL glacial AcOH). The enantiomeric excesses (ee) were determined by HPLC analysis using a Dionex Summit HPLC system with CHIRALCEL OD-H (4.6 \times 250 mm, 5 μ m), OJ-H (4.6 \times 250 mm, 5 μ m), CHIRALPAK AD-H (4.6 \times 250 mm, 5 μ m) and a YMC Chiral ART Amylose SA (4.6×250 mm, 5 µm) chiral stationary phase. The enantiospecificity (e.s.) of the reaction is calculated as follows: % e.s. = $100 \times [\%$ ee of product]/[% ee of starting material].¹ Determination of the absolute configuration of α -fluorinated product **3a** has been reported by *Sodeoka* et al.² and assignment of the herein prepared **3a** was carried out by comparison of our analytical data with those literature values. All other derivatives were assigned in analogy. The starting α hydroxylated compounds 2 were prepared in enantioenriched forms as reported recently (vide infra) and their absolute configuration was assigned in accordance with previous publications.³ Naming of compounds: Compound names are those generated by ChemBioDraw[®] 18.2 software (PerkinElmer), following IUPAC nomenclature. Solvents and reagents: Anhydrous dichloromethane was provided by the Institute of Catalysis (JKU Linz, Austria) and was dried using a purification column composed of

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activated alumina and was stored over activated 3 Å molecular sieves. All chemicals were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification unless otherwise stated. All reactions were carried out under an argon atmosphere using flame-dried glassware. β -Ketoesters were prepared according to literature-known methods.⁴ Starting enantioenriched α -hydroxy- β -ketoesters **2** were prepared as reported previously.⁵

CAUTION: Reactions in the presence of *N*,*N*-diethylaminosulfur trifluoride (DAST) should not be conducted at temperatures >50 °C, due to safety issues. DAST is known to be thermally unstable, prone to detonation when heated >90 °C and undergoes catastrophic decomposition at \approx 140 °C.⁶ Moreover, explosive decomposition of DAST upon contact with water, generating tissue damaging hydrofluoric acid, has also been reported.⁷

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2. Characterization Data of α -Deoxyfluorinated Products

tert-Butyl (*R*)-2-fluoro-1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (3a):

Enantiospecificity: 98.0% e.s. Prepared following the general procedure on a CO₂*t*Bu 0.1 mmol (24.8 mg of (S)-2a, 94.6% ee) scale. Purification by silica gel column chromatography using heptanes/EtOAc (15:1 to 8:1) provided the title compound 3a (R)-3a as a white crystalline solid (21.0 mg, 84% yield, 92.8% ee). MP: 41.6-43.0 °C (EtOAc/heptane). TLC (30% EtOAc/heptane): $R_f = 0.43$ (UV, *p*-anisaldehyde). Analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.⁸ $[\alpha]_D^{23.3} = +3.8$ (c 0.81, CHCl₃, 91.0% ee). ¹H NMR $(500 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3, 298 \text{ K}) \delta 7.82 \text{ (d, } J = 7.7 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{Ar}H), 7.68 \text{ (t, } J = 7.5 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{Ar}H), 7.49 \text{ (d, } J = 7.5 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}, \text{Ar}H)$ 7.7 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.45 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, ArH), 3.72 (dd, J = 17.4, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.39 (dd, J = 22.9, 17.5 Hz, 1H, CHH), 1.42 (s, 9H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 195.9 (d, J = 18.2 Hz, 1C, *C*=O), 166.4 (d, *J* = 27.8 Hz, 1C, *C*O₂R), 151.1 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 136.6 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 133.7 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 128.6 (1C, C_{Ar}), 126.6 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 125.6 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 201.7 Hz, 1C, CqF), 84.3 (1C, $CqMe_3$), 38.5 (d, J = 24.2 Hz, 1C, CH_2), 27.9 (3C, *C*H₃). ¹⁹**F** NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ –164.0 (dd, *J* = 22.8, 10.7 Hz). HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) *m*/*z*: [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₁₄H₁₉FO₃N, 268.1343; found, 268.1334. **HPLC**: Chiralpak AD-H (*n*-hexane:*i*-PrOH = 200:1, flow rate 0.75 mL/min, 10 °C, $\lambda = 240$ nm), retention times $t_{\rm R}$ (minor) = 25.6 min, $t_{\rm R}$ (major) = 31.2 min.

Methyl (*R*)-2-fluoro-1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (3b):

Enantiospecificity: >99.8% e.s. Prepared following the general procedure on a CO₂Me 70 µmol (14.4 mg of (S)-2b, 68.0% ee) scale. Purification by silica gel column chromatography using heptanes/EtOAc (12:1 to 6:1) provided the title compound 3b (R)-3b as a white crystalline solid (10.6 mg, 51 µmol, 73% yield, 68.3% ee). MP: 99.2–101.6 °C (EtOAc/heptane). TLC (30% EtOAc/heptane): $R_f = 0.29$ (UV, *p*-anisaldehyde). Analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.⁸ $[\alpha]_D^{22.9} = -18.3$ (c 0.50, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR $(500 \text{ MHz}, \text{CDCl}_3, 298 \text{ K}) \delta 7.85 \text{ (d, } J = 7.7 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{ H}, \text{Ar}H), 7.71 \text{ (t, } J = 7.5 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{ H}, \text{Ar}H), 7.53 - 7.44$ (m, 2H, ArH), 3.82 (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.80 (dd, J = 17.6, 11.4 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.45 (dd, J = 23.3, 17.6 Hz, 1H, CHH). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 195.3 (d, J = 18.1 Hz, 1C, C=O), 167.9 (d, J = 27.8 Hz, 1C, CO_2R), 151.0 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 136.9 (1C, C_{Ar}), 133.4 (1C, C_{Ar}), 128.8 (1C, C_{Ar}), 126.7 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, (1C, C_{Ar}), 125.9 (1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 201.8 Hz, 1C, C_{qF}), 53.4 (1C, C_{H_2}), 38.4 (d, J = 23.7 Hz, 1C, CH_3). ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ -164.5 (dd, J = 23.3, 11.2 Hz). **HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₁₁H₁₀FO₃, 209.0608; found, 209.0604. **HPLC**: Chiralcel OD-H (*n*-hexane:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, flow rate 0.75 mL/min, 10 °C, λ = 270 nm), retention times $t_R(major) = 22.6 \text{ min}, t_R(minor) = 28.1 \text{ min}.$

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Adamantan-1-yl (*R*)-2-fluoro-1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (3c):



Enantiospecificity: >99.8% e.s. Prepared following the general procedure on a 80 μ mol (26.1 mg of (*S*)-**2c**, 80.4% ee) scale. Purification by silica gel column chromatography using heptanes/EtOAc (20:1 to 10:1) provided the title

compound (*R*)-**3c** as a white crystalline solid (18.9 mg, 58 μmol, 72% yield, 80.6% ee). **MP**: 80.2–81.3 °C (EtOAc/heptane). **TLC** (30% EtOAc/heptane): $R_f = 0.51$ (UV, *p*-anisaldehyde). Analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.⁸ [*a*]_D^{23.0} = -1.4 (*c* 0.82, CH₂Cl₂). ¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 7.80 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.67 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.43 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 3.72 (dd, *J* = 17.4, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.38 (dd, *J* = 22.8, 17.5 Hz, 1H, CH*H*), 2.12 (s, 3H, C*H*), 2.03 (s, 6H, C*H*₂), 1.60 (s, 6H, C*H*₂). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 196.0 (d, *J* = 18.5 Hz, 1C, *C*=O), 165.9 (d, *J* = 27.8 Hz, 1C, *C*O₂R), 151.1 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 136.5 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 133.7 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 128.5 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 126.5 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 125.5 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1C, *C*_{At}), 94.4 (d, *J* = 201.5 Hz, 1C, *C*qF), 84.2 (1C, *C*qAd), 41.1 (3C, *C*_{Ad}H₂), 38.5 (d, *J* = 24.0 Hz, 1C, *C*H₂), 36.0 (3C, *C*_{Ad}H), 30.9 (3C, *C*_{Ad}H₂). ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ -164.1 (dd, *J* = 22.8, 10.4 Hz). HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) *m/z*: [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₅FNO₃N, 346.1813; found, 346.1801. HPLC: Chiralpak AD-H (*n*-hexane:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, flow rate 0.7 mL/min, 10 °C, λ = 270 nm), retention times *t*_R(minor) = 32.7 min, *t*_R(major) = 46.0 min.

tert-Butyl (*R*)-2,4-difluoro-1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (3d):



Enantiospecificity: 96.2% e.s. Prepared following the general procedure on a 65 μ mol (17.3 mg of (*S*)-2d, 85.0% ee) scale. Purification by silica gel column chromatography using heptanes/EtOAc (20:1 to 9:1) provided the title compound (*R*)-3d as a white crystalline solid (14.1 mg, 52 μ mol, 81% yield, 81.8% ee). MP:

91.2–91.9 °C (EtOAc/heptane). **TLC** (30% EtOAc/heptane): $R_f = 0.53$ (UV, *p*-anisaldehyde). [α]_D^{23.5} = +2.5 (*c* 0.69, CH₂Cl₂). ¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 7.64 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.51 – 7.43 (m, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.38 (t, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 3.75 (dd, *J* = 17.8, 10.9 Hz, 1H, C*H*H), 3.37 (dd, *J* = 22.6, 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH*H*), 1.44 (s, 9H, C*H*₃). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 194.8 (dd, *J* = 18.8, 3.0 Hz, 1C, *C*=O), 165.9 (d, *J* = 27.4 Hz, 1C, *C*O₂R), 159.7 (dd, *J* = 251.6, 1.2 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 137.0 (dd, *J* = 19.5, 4.0 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 136.2 (dd, *J* = 4.8, 1.4 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 130.6 (d, *J* = 6.3 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 122.7 (d, *J* = 19.8 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 121.3 (dd, *J* = 4.2, 1.2 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 94.0 (d, *J* = 203.0 Hz, 1C, *C*qF), 84.7 (1C, *C*qMe₃), 34.4 (d, *J* = 25.3 Hz, 1C, *C*H₂), 27.9 (3C, *C*H₃). ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ –118.1 (m), –163.3 (dd, *J* = 22.6, 10.6 Hz). **HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) *m/z*: [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₁₄H₁₈F₂O₃N, 286.1249; found, 286.1238. **HPLC**: Chiralpak AD-H (*n*-hexane:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, flow rate 0.75 mL/min, 10 °C, λ = 240 nm), retention times *t*_R(minor) = 8.0 min, *t*_R(major) = 11.7 min.

tert-Butyl (*R*)-2-fluoro-4-methyl-1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (3e):



Enantiospecificity: >99.8% e.s. Prepared following the general procedure on a 80 μ mol (21.0 mg of (*S*)-**2e**, 78.1% ee) scale. Purification by silica gel column chromatography using heptanes/EtOAc (20:1 to 10:1) provided the title compound (*R*)-**3e** as a yellow crystalline solid (13,7 mg, 52 μ mol, 65% yield, 78.4% ee). **MP**:

63.7–64.6 °C (EtOAc/heptane). **TLC** (30% EtOAc/heptane): $R_f = 0.45$ (UV, *p*-anisaldehyde). [α]_p^{23.1} = -23.8 (*c* 0.68, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 7.66 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.49 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.36 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 3.61 (dd, J = 17.5, 11.3 Hz, 1H, C*H*H), 3.26 (dd, J = 23.2, 17.5 Hz, 1H, CH*H*), 2.36 (s, 3H, ArC*H*₃), 1.44 (s, 9H, C*H*₃). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 196.2 (d, J = 18.2 Hz, 1C, *C*=O), 166.6 (d, J = 27.4 Hz, 1C, *C*O₂R), 150.2 (d, J = 3.4 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 137.1 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 135.9 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 133.5 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 128.8 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 123.0 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 201.3 Hz, 1C, *C*qF), 84.3 (1C, *C*qMe₃), 37.4 (d, J = 24.1 Hz, 1C, *C*H₂), 28.0 (3C, *C*H₃), 17.9 (1C, Ar*C*H₃). ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ -163.3 (dd, J = 23.2, 11.4 Hz). HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) *m*/*z*: [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₁₅H₂₁FO₃N, 282.1500; found, 282.1490. HPLC: Chiralpak AD-H (*n*-hexane:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 10 °C, $\lambda = 240$ nm), retention times *t*_R(minor) = 10.7 min, *t*_R(major) = 13.4 min.

tert-Butyl (*R*)-5-chloro-2-fluoro-1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (3f):

Enantiospecificity: >99.8% e.s. Prepared following the general procedure on a CO₂*t*Bu 80 µmol (22.6 mg of (S)-2f, 84.6% ee) scale. Purification by silica gel column chromatography using heptanes/EtOAc (20:1 to 10:1) provided the title 3f compound (R)-3f as a white crystalline solid (21.9 mg, 77 µmol, 96% yield, 84.9% ee). MP: 100.8–101.9 °C (EtOAc/heptane). TLC (30% EtOAc/heptane): $R_f = 0.56$ (UV, *p*-anisaldehyde). Analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.⁹ $[\alpha]_D^{23.3} = -31.4$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂). ¹**H** NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 7.75 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.49 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.43 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.9 Hz, 1H, ArH), 3.70 (dd, J = 17.7, 10.6 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.37 (dd, J = 22.6, 17.7 Hz)1H, CHH), 1.43 (s, 9H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 194.5 (d, J = 18.5 Hz, 1C, C=O), 166.0 (d, J = 27.7 Hz, 1C, CO_2R), 152.4 (d, J = 3.9 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 143.3 (1C, C_{Ar}), 132.1 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 129.5 (1C, C_{Ar}), 126.9 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 126.6 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, $C_$ 202.8 Hz, 1C, CqF), 84.6 (1C, CqMe₃), 38.1 (d, J = 24.5 Hz, 1C, CH₂), 27.9 (3C, CH₃). ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ –163.32 (dd, J = 22.6, 10.5 Hz). (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd $C_{14}H_{18}ClFO_3N$, 302.0954; found, 302.0942. HPLC: for Chiralpak AD-H (*n*-hexane:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 10 °C, $\lambda = 220$ nm), retention times $t_{\rm R}$ (minor) = 13.8 min, $t_{\rm R}$ (major) = 18.1 min.

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tert-Butyl (*R*)-5-bromo-2-fluoro-1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (3g):

Enantiospecificity: >99.8% e.s. Prepared following the general procedure on a 70 μ mol (22.9 mg of (*S*)-**2g**, 90.6% ee) scale. Purification by silica gel column chromatography using heptanes/EtOAc (20:1 to 9:1) provided the title

compound (*R*)-**3g** as a pale yellow crystalline solid (19.8 mg, 60 μmol, 86% yield, 92.4% ee). **MP**: 121.9–122.5 °C (EtOAc/heptane). **TLC** (30% EtOAc/heptane): $R_f = 0.51$ (UV, *p*-anisaldehyde). Analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.⁸ [*α*]_D^{23.2} = -25.3 (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂). ¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 7.70 – 7.66 (m, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H, Ar*H*), 3.70 (dd, *J* = 17.7, 10.6 Hz, 1H, C*H*H), 3.38 (dd, *J* = 22.6, 17.6 Hz, 1H, CH*H*), 1.43 (s, 9H, CH₃). ¹³**C NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 194.7 (d, *J* = 18.5 Hz, 1C, *C*=O), 166.0 (d, *J* = 27.4 Hz, 1C, *C*O₂R), 152.5 (d, *J* = 4.1 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 132.5 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 132.4 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 132.2 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 130.0 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 126.6 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 94.2 (d, *J* = 202.8 Hz, 1C, *C*qF), 84.6 (1C, *C*qMe₃), 38.1 (d, *J* = 24.5 Hz, 1C, *C*H₂), 28.0 (3C, *C*H₃). ¹⁹**F NMR** (471 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ -163.4 (dd, *J* = 22.9, 10.5 Hz). **HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) *m/z*: [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₁₄H₁₈BrFO₃N, 346.0449; found, 346.0436. **HPLC**: Chiralcel OD-H (*n*-hexane:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, flow rate 0.75 mL/min, 10 °C, λ = 220 nm), retention times *t*_R(major) = 11.2 min, *t*_R(minor) = 13.5 min.

tert-Butyl (*R*)-2,5-difluoro-1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (3h):

Enantiospecificity: 95.5% e.s. Prepared following the general procedure on a CO₂*t*Bu 75 µmol (20.0 mg of (S)-2h, 85.5% ee) scale. Purification by silica gel column chromatography using heptanes/EtOAc (20:1 to 9:1) provided the title compound 3h (R)-3h as a white crystalline solid (12.9 mg, 48 µmol, 64% yield, 81.7% ee). MP: 96.7–97.6 °C (EtOAc/heptane). TLC (30% EtOAc/heptane): $R_f = 0.46$ (UV, *p*-anisaldehyde). Analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.⁸ $[\alpha]_D^{23.4} = -3.9$ (c 0.57, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, $CDCl_3$, 298 K) δ 7.88 – 7.80 (m, 1H, ArH), 7.21 – 7.10 (m, 2H, ArH), 3.71 (dd, J = 17.7, 10.5 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.38 (dd, J = 22.5, 17.7 Hz, 1H, CHH), 1.43 (s, 9H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 194.0 (d, *J* = 18.5 Hz, 1C, *C*=O), 168.1 (d, *J* = 259.8 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}F), 166.1 (d, *J* = 27.7 Hz, 1C, CO₂R), 154.1 (dd, J = 10.6, 4.1 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 130.1 (t, J = 1.7 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 128.1 (dd, J = 10.7, 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 117.1 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 113.5 (dd, J = 23.0, 1.4 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, J = 24.0 Hz, 1 202.7 Hz, 1C, CqF), 84.5 (1C, CqMe₃), 38.3 (dd, J = 24.7, 2.1 Hz, 1C, CH₂), 27.9 (3C, CH₃). ¹⁹**F** NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ -98.8 (m), -163.2 (dd, J = 22.5, 10.5 Hz). HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₁₄H₁₈F₂O₃N, 286.1249; found, 286.1239. **HPLC**: Chiralpak AD-H (*n*-hexane:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, flow rate 0.75 mL/min, 10 °C, $\lambda = 240$ nm), retention times $t_{\rm R}({\rm minor}) = 10.9 {\rm min}$, $t_{\rm R}({\rm major}) = 12.6 {\rm min}$.

tert-Butyl (*R*)-2-fluoro-5-methoxy-1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (3i):



Enantiospecificity: >99.8% e.s. Prepared following the general procedure on a 80 µmol (22.3 mg of (*S*)-**2i**, 88.6% ee) scale. Purification by silica gel column

chromatography using heptanes/EtOAc (12:1 to 8:1) provided the title compound (R)-3i as a white crystalline solid (5.4 mg, 19 µmol, 24% yield, 88.7% ee). MP: 151.9–153.4 °C (EtOAc/heptane). **TLC** (30% EtOAc/heptane): $R_f = 0.32$ (UV, *p*-anisaldehyde). Analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.¹⁰ $[\alpha]_D^{23.4} = +34.1 (c \ 0.27, CH_2Cl_2)$. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 7.74 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.95 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H, ArH), 6.89 (s, 1H, ArH), 3.90 (s, 3H, ArOCH₃), 3.66 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.31 (dd, J = 22.7, 17.5 Hz, 1H, CHH), 1.42 (s, 9H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 193.8 (d, J = 18.5 Hz, 1C, C=O), 166.7 (1C, CO₂R), 166.5 (1C, C_{Ar}), 154.3 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 127.4 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 126.7 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 116.6 (1C, C_{Ar}), 109.8 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.9 (d, J = 201.1 Hz, 1C, C_{qF}), 84.0 (1C, $CqMe_3$), 56.0 (1C, OCH₃), 38.4 (d, J = 24.4 Hz, 1C, CH_2), 27.9 (3C, CH_3). ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃) δ -162.9 (dd, J = 22.9, 11.4 Hz). **HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for $C_{15}H_{21}FO_4N$, 298.1449; found, 298.1437. **HPLC**: Chiralcel OJ-H (*n*-hexane:*i*-PrOH = 80:20, flow rate 0.9 mL/min, 10 °C, $\lambda = 270$ nm), retention times $t_{\rm R}$ (major) = 17.0 min, $t_{\rm R}$ (minor) = 18.7 min.

tert-Butyl (*R*)-2-fluoro-5-methyl-1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (3j):

Enantiospecificity: 99.1% e.s. Prepared following the general procedure on a CO₂*t*Bu 80 µmol (21.0 mg of (S)-2j, 89.3% ee) scale. Purification by silica gel column Me chromatography using heptanes/EtOAc (15:1 to 9:1) provided the title 3i compound (R)-3j as a yellow crystalline solid (16.7 mg, 63 µmol, 79% yield, 88.5% ee). MP: 81.9–82.8 °C (EtOAc/heptane). **TLC** (30% EtOAc/heptane): $R_f = 0.41$ (UV, *p*-anisaldehyde). $[\alpha]_{D}^{22.1} = -11.7 (c \ 0.92, CH_2Cl_2)$. ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 7.70 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, ArH), 7.27 (s, 1H, ArH), 7.24 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, ArH), 3.66 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 17.5, 10.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.8 Hz, 1H, C HH), 3.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.8 Hz, 1H, C HH), 3.8 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.8 Hz, 1H, C HH), 3.8 Hz, 1H, C HH), 3.8 Hz, 1H, C H HH), 3.8 Hz, 1H, C H 22.9, 17.5 Hz, 1H, CHH), 2.46 (s, 3H, ArCH₃), 1.42 (s, 9H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 195.3 (d, *J* = 18.2 Hz, 1C, *C*=O), 166.5 (d, *J* = 27.5 Hz, 1C, *C*O₂R), 151.6 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar} , 148.3 (1C, C_{Ar}), 131.4 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 129.9 (1C, C_{Ar}), 126.9 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 125.4 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 201.5 Hz, 1C, CqF), 84.1 (1C, $CqMe_3$), 38.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 201.5 Hz, 1C, CqF), 84.1 (1C, $CqMe_3$), 38.3 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 201.5 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 201.5 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 1 24.3 Hz, 1C, CH₂), 27.9 (3C, CH₃), 22.4 (1C, ArCH₃). ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ -163.6 (dd, J = 22.9, 10.8 Hz). HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: $[M + NH_4]^+$ calcd for $C_{15}H_{21}FO_3N$, 282.1500; found, 282.1492. **HPLC**: Chiralcel OD-H (*n*-hexane:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 10 °C, $\lambda = 240$ nm), retention times $t_{\rm R}$ (major) = 12.3 min, $t_{\rm R}$ (minor) = 13.2 min.

tert-Butyl (R)-6-bromo-2-fluoro-1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (3k):



Enantiospecificity: >99.8% e.s. Prepared following the general procedure on a 70 µmol (22.9 mg of (S)-2k, 84.5% ee) scale. Purification by silica gel column chromatography using heptanes/EtOAc (20:1 to 9:1) provided the title compound (R)-3k as a white crystalline solid (21.0 mg, 64 μ mol, 91% yield, 85.1% ee). MP:

87.4–88.4 °C (EtOAc/heptane). TLC (30% EtOAc/heptane): $R_f = 0.48$ (UV, *p*-anisaldehyde).

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[α]_D^{23.6} = +12.0 (*c* 0.88, CH₂Cl₂, 81.3% ee). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 7.94 (s, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.78 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 2.0 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.38 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 3.67 (dd, *J* = 17.6, 10.4 Hz, 1H, C*H*H), 3.33 (dd, *J* = 22.5, 17.6 Hz, 1H, CH*H*), 1.43 (s, 9H, C*H*₃). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 194.6 (d, *J* = 18.6 Hz, 1C, *C*=O), 165.9 (d, *J* = 27.6 Hz, 1C, *C*O₂R), 149.6 (d, *J* = 3.8 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 139.3 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 135.4 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 128.3 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 128.1 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 122.7 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 94.5 (d, *J* = 203.2 Hz, 1C, *C*qF), 84.6 (1C, *C*qMe₃), 38.1 (d, *J* = 24.4 Hz, 1C, *C*H₂), 27.9 (3C, *C*H₃). ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ -163.4 (dd, *J* = 22.5, 10.5 Hz). HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) *m/z*: [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₁₄H₁₈BrFO₃N, 346.0449; found, 346.0453. HPLC: Chiralcel OD-H (*n*-hexane:*i*-PrOH = 95:5, flow rate 0.75 mL/min, 10 °C, λ = 220 nm), retention times *t*_R(minor) = 11.1 min, *t*_R(major) = 12.4 min.

tert-Butyl (*R*)-2-fluoro-6-methyl-1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (3l):

Enantiospecificity: 98.5% e.s. Prepared following the general procedure on a Me CO₂tBu 75 µmol (19.7 mg of (S)-2l, 93.4% ee) scale. Purification by silica gel column chromatography using heptanes/EtOAc (20:1 to 9:1) provided the title 31 compound (R)-31 as a white crystalline solid (15.5 mg, 59 µmol, 78% yield, 91.9% ee). MP: 60.3–61.6 °C (EtOAc/heptane). **TLC** (30% EtOAc/heptane): $R_f = 0.49$ (UV, *p*-anisaldehyde). Analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.⁹ $[\alpha]_{D}^{23.2} = +3.4$ (c 1.00, CH₂Cl₂). ¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 7.60 (s, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.48 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.36 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H, ArH), 3.66 (dd, J = 17.3, 10.7 Hz, 1H, CHH), 3.32 (dd, J = 22.9, 17.4 Hz, 1H, 1Hz)CHH), 2.40 (s, 3H, ArCH₃), 1.41 (s, 9H, CH₃). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 195.9 (d, J = 18.5 Hz, 1C, C=O), 166.5 (d, J = 27.7 Hz, 1C, CO_2R), 148.5 (d, J = 3.9 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 138.7 (1C, C_{Ar}), 137.9 (1C, C_{Ar}), 133.8 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 126.2 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 125.3 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 1C, C_{Ar}), 94.8 (d, J = 201.5 Hz, 1C, CqF), 84.1 (1C, $CqMe_3$), 38.1 (d, J = 24.1 Hz, 1C, CH_2), 27.9 (3C, CH₃), 21.2 (1C, ArCH₃). ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ -163.7 (dd, J = 23.4, 11.2 Hz). **HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: $[M + NH_4]^+$ calcd for C₁₅H₂₁FO₃N, 282.1500; found, 282.1491. **HPLC**: Chiralpak AD-H (*n*-hexane:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 10 °C, λ = 240 nm), retention times $t_R(\text{minor}) = 12.9 \text{ min}, t_R(\text{major}) = 21.4 \text{ min}.$

tert-Butyl (*R*)-2-fluoro-6-methoxy-1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (3m):



Enantiospecificity: 99.3% e.s. Prepared following the general procedure on a 70 μ mol (19.5 mg of (S)-**2m**, 91.1% ee) scale. Purification by silica gel

3m column chromatography using heptanes/EtOAc (15:1 to 8:1) provided the title compound (*R*)-**3m** as a white crystalline solid (16.1 mg, 57 μmol, 82% yield, 90.5% ee). **MP**: 62.4-63.2 °C (EtOAc/heptane). **TLC** (30% EtOAc/heptane): $R_f = 0.39$ (UV, *p*-anisaldehyde). Analytical data are in accordance with those reported in the literature.⁹ [α] $_{D}^{23.6} = +11.0$ (*c* 1.00, CH₂Cl₂). ¹**H NMR** (500 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 7.38 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.31 – 7.25 (m, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.24 (s, 1H, Ar*H*), 3.86 (s, 3H, OC*H*₃), 3.65 (dd, J = 17.1, 10.3 Hz, 1H, C*H*H), 3.32 (dd, J = 22.6, 17.1 Hz, 1H, CH*H*), 1.44 (s, 9H, *C*H₃). ¹³C **NMR** (126 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 195.9 (d, *J* = 18.5 Hz, 1C, *C*=O), 166.4 (d, *J* = 27.8 Hz, 1C, *C*O₂R), 160.1 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 144.1 (d, *J* = 3.9 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 134.8 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 127.3 (d, *J* = 1.3 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 126.0 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 106.4 (d, *J* = 1.2 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 95.1 (d, *J* = 201.9 Hz, 1C, *C*qF), 84.2 (1C, *C*qMe₃), 55.8 (1C, O*C*H₃), 37.8 (d, *J* = 24.0 Hz, 1C, *C*H₂), 27.9 (3C, *C*H₃). ¹⁹F **NMR** (471 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ -163.5 (dd, *J* = 22.6, 10.3 Hz). **HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) *m*/*z*: [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₁₅H₂₁FO₄N, 298.1449; found, 298.1439. **HPLC**: Chiralpak AD-H (*n*-hexane:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 10 °C, λ = 250 nm), retention times *t*_R(minor) = 17.8 min, *t*_R(major) = 19.4 min.

tert-Butyl (*R*)-5,7-dichloro-2-fluoro-1-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1H-indene-2-carboxylate (3n):



Enantiospecificity: >99.8% e.s. Prepared following the general procedure on a 40 μ mol (12.7 mg of (*S*)-**2n**, 75.5% ee) scale. Purification by silica gel column chromatography using heptanes/EtOAc (20:1 to 10:1) provided the title compound (*R*)-**3n** as a white amorphous solid (6.3 mg, 20 μ mol, 49% yield,

75.5% ee). **TLC** (30% EtOAc/heptane): $R_f = 0.50$ (UV, *p*-anisaldehyde). [α]_D^{23.7} = +2.0 (*c* 0.55, CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 7.42 (s, 1H, Ar*H*), 7.39 (s, 1H, Ar*H*), 3.67 (dd, J = 17.7, 11.1 Hz, 1H, C*H*H), 3.34 (dd, J = 22.5, 17.8 Hz, 1H, CH*H*), 1.46 (s, 9H, C*H*₃). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ 191.6 (d, J = 19.0 Hz, 1C, *C*=O), 165.7 (d, J = 27.3 Hz, 1C, *C*O₂R), 153.9 (d, J = 3.8 Hz, 1C, *C*_{Ar}), 143.0 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 134.6 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 130.5 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 128.7 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 125.3 (1C, *C*_{Ar}), 94.4 (d, J = 203.7 Hz, 1C, *C*qF), 84.9 (1C, *C*qMe₃), 37.5 (d, J = 24.4 Hz, 1C, *C*H₂), 28.0 (3C, *C*H₃). ¹⁹F NMR (471 MHz, CDCl₃, 298 K) δ -161.8 (dd, J = 22.5, 11.2 Hz). HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) *m*/*z*: [M + NH₄]⁺ calcd for C₁₄H₁₇Cl₂FO₃N, 336.0564; found, 336.0575. HPLC: YMC Chiral ART Amylose SA (*n*-hexane:*i*-PrOH = 99:1, flow rate 1.0 mL/min, 10 °C, $\lambda = 220$ nm), retention times *t*_R(major) = 10.4 min, *t*_R(minor) = 24.1 min.

3. Synthesis of Racemic Fluorinated Products:

General Procedure



Racemic fluorinated products (**3**) were prepared according to a modified literature procedure⁸: Aqueous K₃PO₄ (2M, 2 equiv.) was added to a mixture of β -ketoester and benzyltriethylammonium chloride (BTEAC, 30 mol%) in toluene (50 mM concerning substrate) at room temperature under an atmosphere of argon. Then, *N*-fluorobenzene sulfonimide (NFSI, 2 equiv.) was added portionwise over 5 min under heavy stirring. The reaction was monitored by TLC using heptanes/EtOAc (7:3) as mobile phase. After stirring for 18 h, the resulting mixture was quenched by addition of *aq.* sat. NH₄Cl (25 mL per mmol substrate), the organic phase was separated and the aqueous phase was extracted with dichloromethane $(3 \times 50 \text{ mL per mmol substrate})$. The combined organic phases were dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered and the solvents were removed *in vacuo*. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography (eluent: heptanes/EtOAc).



NMR spectra of compound 3a











NMR spectra of compound 3c



NMR spectra of compound 3d



NMR spectra of compound 3e

-163.10

-163.20

-163.30 f1 (ppm)



-50

-0

100

-0

-163.40



NMR spectra of compound 3f

-100 f1 (ppm)



20 0 -20 -40 -60 -80 -100 -120 -140 -160 -180 -200 -220 f1 (ppm)

NMR spectra of compound 3g

NMR spectra of compound 3h





NMR spectra of compound 3i



NMR spectra of compound 3j



NMR spectra of compound 3k



NMR spectra of compound 31



20 10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -180 -190 -200 -210 -220 f1 (ppm)

NMR spectra of compound 3m

NMR spectra of compound 3n



20 10 0 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -110 -120 -130 -140 -150 -160 -170 -180 -190 -200 -210 -220 f1 (ppm)

64,999

122,377

100,00

100.00

5. HPLC Traces of Hydroxylation/Deoxyfluorination Products:



236,89

02,76





































HPLC chromatogram of (rac)-3f



HPLC chromatogram of enantioenriched 3f:







HPLC chromatogram of (*rac*)-2h:









HPLC chromatogram of enantioenriched **3h**:





mAU











HPLC chromatogram of (*rac*)-3j:











16.0

He

mAU 220,46

2180,5

% 7,47

92,53

HPLC chromatogram of (rac)-2l:







HPLC chromatogram of (rac)-31:













HPLC chromatogram of enantioenriched 2n:



HPLC chromatogram of enantioenriched **3n**:



6. HRMS Data Report

(*R*)-**3a. HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: $[M + NH_4]^+$ calcd for $C_{14}H_{19}FO_3N$, 268.1343; found, 268.1334.



(*R*)-**3b. HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: $[M + H]^+$ calcd for C₁₁H₁₀FO₃, 209.0608; found, 209.0604. $[M + NH_4]^+$ calcd for C₁₁H₁₄FO₃N, 226.0874; found, 226.0868.



(*R*)-3c. HRMS (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: $[M + NH_4]^+$ calcd for C₂₀H₂₅FNO₃N, 346.1813; found, 346.1801.







(*R*)-**3e**. **HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: $[M + NH_4]^+$ calcd for C₁₅H₂₁FO₃N, 282.1500; found, 282.1490.



(*R*)-**3f**. **HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: $[M + NH_4]^+$ calcd for C₁₄H₁₈ClFO₃N, 302.0954; found, 302.0942.



(*R*)-**3g**. **HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: $[M + NH_4]^+$ calcd for C₁₄H₁₈BrFO₃N, 346.0449; found, 346.0436.



(*R*)-**3h**. **HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: $[M + NH_4]^+$ calcd for C₁₄H₁₈F₂O₃N, 286.1249; found, 286.1239.



(*R*)-**3i**. **HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: $[M + NH_4]^+$ calcd for C₁₅H₂₁FO₄N, 298.1449; found, 298.1437.



(*R*)-**3**j. **HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: $[M + NH_4]^+$ calcd for C₁₅H₂₁FO₃N, 282.1500; found, 282.1492.



(*R*)-**3k**. **HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: $[M + NH_4]^+$ calcd for C₁₄H₁₈BrFO₃N, 346.0449; found, 346.0453.



(*R*)-**31**. **HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: $[M + NH_4]^+$ calcd for C₁₅H₂₁FO₃N, 282.1500; found, 282.1491.



(*R*)-**3m**. **HRMS** (ESI-Orbitrap, MeOH) m/z: $[M + NH_4]^+$ calcd for C₁₅H₂₁FO₄N, 298.1449; found, 298.1439.





