## **Supporting information**

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# Experimental study on the microreactor-assisted synthesis of phosphinic chlorides with varying steric hindrance

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temp. [°C]	route	solvent	free substrates	reactant complex	TS 0_1 [ΔG‡]	product complex	free products [ΔG]
		CCl <sub>4</sub>	0.0		59.7		10.8
	(1)	toluene	0.0		59.8		10.9
	(1)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0		60.6		12.1
25		acetonitrile	0.0		60.9		12.5
20	(2)	CCl <sub>4</sub>	0.0	0.5	33.8	19.1	21.5
		toluene	0.0	0.7	34.0	19.9	21.7
	(2)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0	2.2	36.2	22.9	24.1
		acetonitrile	0.0	2.5	37.3	24.1	25.0
	(1)	toluene	0.0		59.8		10.8
60		CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0		60.6		12.1
		acetonitrile	0.0		60.9		12.5

**Table S1.** Energetics of the phosphine oxide 1 tautomerization at various temperatures (kcal/mol)

		toluene	0.0	1.8	35.4	20.8	21.7
	( <b>2</b> )	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0	3.5	37.7	24.3	24.1
		acetonitrile	0.0	3.8	38.8	25.4	25.0
100	(1)	toluono	0.0		59.8		10.8
100	(2)	loiuene	0.0	3.3	37.1	22.3	21.7

temp. [° <b>C</b> ]	route	solvent	free substrates	reactant complex	TS 0_1 [ΔG <sup>‡</sup> ]	product complex	free products [ΔG]
		CCl <sub>4</sub>	0.0		60.0		11.4
	(1)	toluene	0.0		60.1		11.5
	(1)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0		61.0		12.9
25		acetonitrile	0.0		61.2		13.3
25		CCl <sub>4</sub>	0.0	-1.1	32.8	18.9	22.8
	(2)	toluene	0.0	-1.5	32.9	19.2	23.0
	(2)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0	1.5	35.9	23.2	25.8
		acetonitrile	0.0	2.3	36.8	24.0	26.7
	(1)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0		61.0		12.9
60	(1)	acetonitrile	0.0		61.2		13.3
00	(2)	$CH_2CI_2$	0.0	3.0	37.5	24.7	25.8
	(2)	acetonitrile	0.0	3.9	38.5	25.5	26.6
		CCl <sub>4</sub>	0.0		60.0		11.4
	(1)	toluene	0.0		59.8		10.8
		CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0		61.0		12.9
100		acetonitrile	0.0		61.2		13.3
100		CCI <sub>4</sub>	0.0	1.8	36.3	22.0	22.7
	(2)	toluene	0.0	1.3	36.4	22.3	22.9
	(2)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0	4.6	39.5	26.4	25.8
		acetonitrile	0.0	5.7	40.4	27.1	26.6
110	(1)	acetonitrile	0.0		61.2		13.3
110	(2)	acciontine	0.0	6.1	40.9	27.5	26.6
120	(1)	toluene	0.0		60.0		11.4
120	(2)	tolucito	0.0	2.0	37.3	23.2	22.9
140	(1)	toluene	0.0		60.0		11.4
140	(2)	tolucito	0.0	2.8	38.2	24.0	22.8

Table S2. Energetics of	the phosphine ox	ide 3 tautomerization a	at various temperatures	(kcal/mol).
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Table S3. E	inergetics of	the phosphine	oxide 2 tauto	merization at	various temp	peratures (k	cal/mol).
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temp. [°C]	route	solvent	free substrates	reactant complex	TS 0_1 [ΔG <sup>‡</sup> ]	product complex	free products [ΔG]
		CCl <sub>4</sub>	0.0		59.5		9.8
	(1)	toluene	0.0		59.6		9.9
		$CH_2CI_2$	0.0		60.4		10.9
25		acetonitrile	0.0		60.6		11.3
25		CCl <sub>4</sub>	0.0	-2.0	31.9	16.2	19.5
	(2)	toluene	0.0	-1.8	32.1	16.5	19.8
60	(2)	$CH_2CI_2$	0.0	0.0	33.5	19.6	21.9
		acetonitrile	0.0	0.1	34.0	20.5	22.5
	(1)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0		63.3		10.8
		acetonitrile	0.0		60.6		11.3

	(2)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0	1.6	35.1	21.2	21.7
	(2)	acetonitrile	0.0	1.6	35.7	22.6	22.6
80	(1)	CHaCla	0.0		63.3		10.9
00	(2)	CI 12C12	0.0	2.4	36.1	22.1	21.8
		CCl <sub>4</sub>	0.0		59.6		9.8
	(1)	toluene	0.0		59.7		9.9
100		acetonitrile	0.0		60.6		11.2
100	(2)	CCl <sub>4</sub>	0.0	1.3	35.7	19.8	19.6
		toluene	0.0	1.5	36.0	20.1	19.8
		acetonitrile	0.0	3.2	37.6	24.5	22.4

**Table S4.** Energetics of the reaction of phosphine oxide **1** with CCl<sub>4</sub> at various temperatures (kcal/mol).

temp. [° <b>C</b> ]	solvent	free substrates	reactant complex	TS 1_1 [ΔG <sup>‡</sup> ]	P <sup>(V)</sup> compound	TS 2_1 [ΔG <sup>‡</sup> ]	product complex	free products [ΔG]
25	CCI <sub>4</sub>	0.0	3.5	51.6	0.5	5.7	-45.6	-47.7
	toluene	0.0	3.5	51.6	0.5	5.6	-45.6	-48.0
	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0	3.7	50.9	0.7	4.3	-46.1	-49.1
	acetonitrile	0.0	3.6	50.6	0.8	3.9	-46.2	-49.4
	toluene	0.0	4.5	52.6	2.0	6.9	-44.6	-48.0
60	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0	4.6	51.9	2.2	5.6	-45.1	-49.2
	acetonitrile	0.0	4.6	51.6	2.2	5.3	-45.2	-49.6
100	toluene	0.0	5.6	60.6	3.7	8.5	-43.5	-48.1

**Table S5.** Energetics of the reaction of phosphine oxide **3** with CCl<sub>4</sub> at various temperatures (kcal/mol).

temp. [° <b>C</b> ]	solvent	free substrates	reactant complex	TS 1_2 [ΔG <sup>‡</sup> ]	P <sup>(V)</sup> compound	TS 2_2 [ΔG <sup>‡</sup> ]	product complex	free products [ΔG]
	CCI <sub>4</sub>	0.0	1.7	47.5	-2.0	0.9	-49.2	-48.8
25	toluene	0.0	3.4	50.4	-0.3	4.5	-46.7	-49.0
	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0	3.3	49.3	0.0	3.4	-47.2	-50.1
	acetonitrile	0.0	3.5	48.8	0.1	2.8	-47.5	-50.5
60	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0	4.2	50.3	1.5	4.8	-46.3	-50.2
00	acetonitrile	0.0	4.4	50.1	1.7	4.2	-46.4	-50.6
	CCl <sub>4</sub>	0.0	3.8	49.7	1.1	3.9	-47.1	-49.0
100	toluene	0.0	5.5	52.6	2.9	7.5	-44.7	-49.1
100	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0	5.3	51.4	3.2	6.4	-45.1	-50.3
	acetonitrile	0.0	5.6	50.8	3.2	5.4	-45.4	-50.7
110	acetonitrile	0.0	5.8	51.1	3.6	5.8	-45.2	-50.7
120	toluene	0.0	4.4	51.6	2.2	6.7	-45.7	-49.2
140	toluene	0.0	3.4	50.5	1.4	5.8	-46.7	-49.3

temp. [°C]	solvent	free substrates	reactant complex	ΤS 1_3 [ΔG <sup>‡</sup> ]	P <sup>(V)</sup> compound	TS 2_3 [ΔG <sup>‡</sup> ]	product complex	free products [ΔG]
25	CCl <sub>4</sub>	0.0	2.6	52.2	1.2	6.9	-44.7	-46.4
	toluene	0.0	2.6	52.2	1.3	7.1	-44.6	-46.6
	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0	3.0	51.6	1.7	5.9	-44.5	-47.5
	acetonitrile	0.0	3.0	51.4	1.8	5.5	-44.5	-47.8
60	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0	3.9	52.6	3.2	7.3	-43.5	-47.6
00	acetonitrile	0.0	3.9	52.4	3.3	6.9	-43.5	-48.0
80	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	0.0	4.5	53.2	4.0	8.1	-42.9	-47.7
100	CCl <sub>4</sub>	0.0	4.6	54.4	4.2	9.8	-42.7	-46.7
	toluene	0.0	4.5	54.4	4.3	10.0	-42.6	-46.7
	acetonitrile	0.0	5.0	53.5	5.0	8.5	-42.4	-48.1

**Table S6.** Energetics of the reaction of phosphine oxide **2** with CCl<sub>4</sub> at various temperatures (kcal/mol).

 Table S7. Technical specification of used microreactor.

	Asia 120 Microreactor
Wetter materials	glass, quartz
Temperature range	-20 °C to +250 °C <sup>[a]</sup>
Maximum pressure	30 bar
Inside diameter of connection	0.5 mm
tubing	
Connection tubing material	PTFE, FEP
Type of mixer	Double T-mixer

[a] up to 150 °C.







Figure S2:  $^{31}P$  NMR (81 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 2.



**Figure S3**: <sup>19</sup>F NMR (188 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of **2**.



Figure S4: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of **2**.



Figure S6:  $^{31}$ P NMR (81 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of **3**.



**Figure S7**: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of **3**.



**Figure S8**: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of **4** and **(S)-4**.



Figure S10:  $^{31}$ P NMR (81 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 4 and (S)-4.



Figure S11: <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of **4** and **(S)-4**.



Figure S12:  $^{1}$ H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 5.



Figure S13:  $^{\rm 31}P$  NMR (202 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 5.



Figure S14:  $^{19}\mathsf{F}$  NMR (188 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 5.











Figure S18:  $^{13}$ C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 6.



**Figure S20**: <sup>31</sup>P NMR (202 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of **8**.



Figure S21:  $^{13}$ C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) of 8.





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Figure S23: HPLC of (S)-4 (flow)





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Figure S25: HPLC of (S)-4 (batch)



**Figure S26:** <sup>31</sup>P NMR (81 MGz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) details of conversion of diphenylphosphine oxide (**9**) against temperature and residence time under flow conditions.