

## Padlocking Furannulation for the Control of Small Degree of Helicity Built on a Fused-Tetracyclic core

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## **1. General information**

Reactions were run under argon atmosphere. Unless specified, commercial reagents and solvents were used as received. Commercially available catalysts were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich. CHCl<sub>3</sub> was dried over 4Å molecular sieve.

Analytical thin layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on silica gel 60 F254 aluminum plates (Macherey-Nagel) containing a 254 nm fluorescent indicator. TLC plates were visualized by exposure to short wave ultraviolet light (254 nm) and further visualization was achieved by staining p-anisaldehyde and heating by a hot air gun. Flash column chromatography was performed using silica gel (35–70 µm, 60 , Acros).

Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (<sup>1</sup>H NMR) spectra were recorded with a Bruker AV 300 and AV 400 spectrometer. Proton chemical shifts are reported in parts per million ( $\delta$  scale) and are referenced using residual protium in the NMR solvent ( $\delta$  7.26 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift (multiplicity (s = singlet, brs = broad singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quadruplet, quint = quintuplet, sept = septuplet, m = multiplet), coupling constant(s) (Hz), integration). Carbon-13 nuclear magnetic resonance (<sup>13</sup>C NMR) spectra were recorded with Bruker AV 300 and AV 400 MHz spectrometers. Carbon chemical shifts are reported in parts per million ( $\delta$  scale) and are referenced using the carbon resonances of the solvent ( $\delta$  77.16 (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)). Data are reported as follows: chemical shift ( $\delta$  scale).

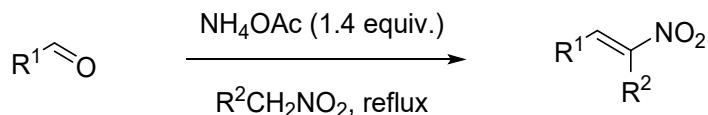
HPLC analyses for the determination of enantiomeric excesses were performed on an Agilent system equipped with Chiralpak AZ-H, Chiralpak IF, Lux-Amylose-1, Lux-Amylose-2, Lux-Cellulose-2 and Lux-Cellulose-4. Optical Rotations were recorded on an Anton Paar MCP 200 Polarimeter at 589 nm, in a thermostated cell (10 cm) and specific rotations are reported as follows: specific rotation (concentration in grams/100 mL of solution, solvent).

High resolution mass spectra (HRMS) were recorded on a Waters Synapt G2 HDMS apparatus using a positive electrospray (ESI) ionization source.

## 2. Preparation of starting materials

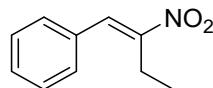
### a) Preparation of alkylnitroalkenes

#### General procedure



The alkylnitroalkenes were prepared according to the literature known procedure.<sup>1</sup> In a 100 mL round-bottom flask, NH<sub>4</sub>OAc (1.4 equiv.) was added to a solution of aldehyde (1.0 equiv.) in 1-nitropropane (0.6 M) or nitroethane (0.3 M) and the mixture was stirred at reflux (132 °C or 120 °C) for 24 h. Once concentrated, the oily residue was purified on silica column using ethyl EtOAc/ Petroleum ether mixture to yield the pure product.

#### (E)-(2-nitrobut-1-en-1-yl)benzene



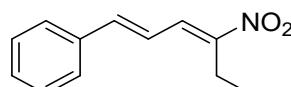
Molecular Weight: 177,2030

Prepared following the general procedure using benzaldehyde (1.80 mL, 17.7 mmol) and NH<sub>4</sub>OAc (1.9 g, 24.6 mmol). The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 5:95) to yield a yellow oil (1.95 g, 11.0 mmol, 62%).

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.67 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.53 – 7.37 (m, 5H), 2.87 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.28 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopic data are in accordance with the literature.<sup>2</sup>

#### ((1E,3E)-4-nitrohexa-1,3-dien-1-yl)benzene



Molecular Weight: 203,2410

Prepared following the general procedure using cinnamaldehyde (0.38 mL, 3.0 mmol) and NH<sub>4</sub>OAc (324 mg, 4.2 mmol). The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 3:97) to yield a brown oil (252 mg, 1.2 mmol, 41%).

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.44 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 7.71 (dd, J = 11.5, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.50 (m, 2H), 7.44 – 7.34 (m, 3H), 7.10 (d, J = 15.4 Hz, 1H), 6.90 (dd, J = 15.4, 11.5 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.22 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 3H).

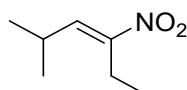
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopic data are in accordance with the literature.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Akula, P. S.; Hong, B-C.; Lee, G-H. *Org. Lett.* **2018**, *20*, 7835-7839.

<sup>2</sup> Duschmalé, J.; Wennemers, H. *Chem. Eur. J.* **2012**, *18*, 1111.

<sup>3</sup> El-Atawi, M.; Ferretti, F.; Raini, F. *Eur. J. Org. Chem.* **2018**, *34*, 4818-4825.

(E)-2-methyl-4-nitrohex-3-ene



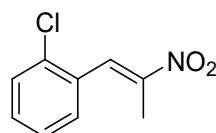
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Prepared following the general procedure using isobutyraldehyde (5.0 mL, 54.8 mmol) and NH<sub>4</sub>OAc (5.9 g, 76.7 mmol). The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 0:100 to 3:97) to yield a light orange oil (2.0 g, 14.0 mmol, 26%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.57 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 6.87 (d, J = 10.5 Hz, 1H), 2.60 (q, J = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 2.68 – 2.51 (m, 1H), 1.12 (t, 3H), 1.10 (d, 6H).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopic data are in accordance with the literature.<sup>4</sup>

(E)-1-chloro-2-(2-nitroprop-1-en-1-yl)benzene



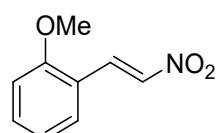
Molecular Weight: 197,6180

Prepared following the general procedure using 2-chlorobenzaldehyde (0.9 mL, 8.0 mmol) and NH<sub>4</sub>OAc (802 mg, 10.4 mmol). The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, 100% Petroleum ether) to yield a yellow oil (1.44 g, 7.3 mmol, 91%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.67 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.17 (q, J = 1.1 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.29 (m, 3H), 2.34 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 3H).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopic data are in accordance with the literature.<sup>5</sup>

(E)-1-methoxy-2-(2-nitrovinyl)benzene



Molecular Weight: 179,1750

Prepared following the general procedure using 2-anisaldehyde (1.23 g, 9.0 mmol) and NH<sub>4</sub>OAc (971 mg, 12.6 mmol). The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:19 to 1:10) to yield a yellow solid (1.39 g, 7.8 mmol, 86%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.4 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.14 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 13.6 Hz, 1H), 7.50 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.07 – 6.94 (m, 2H), 3.95 (s, 3H).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopic data are in accordance with the literature.<sup>6</sup>

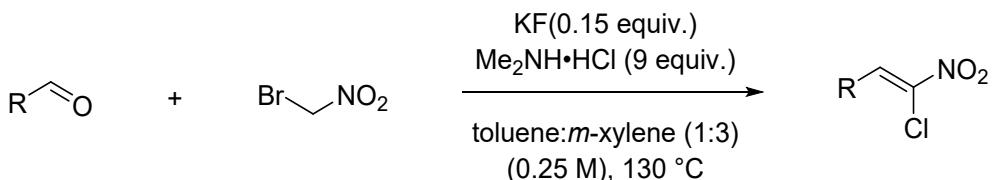
<sup>4</sup> Kumaran, G.; Kulkarni, G. H. *Synthesis* **1995**, 12, 1545-1548

<sup>5</sup> Li, S.; Huang, K.; Zhang, X. *Chem. Commun.* **2014**, 50, 8878-8881.

<sup>6</sup> Luo, M.; Yan, B.; *Tetrahedron Letters*, **2010**, 51, 42, 5577-5580.

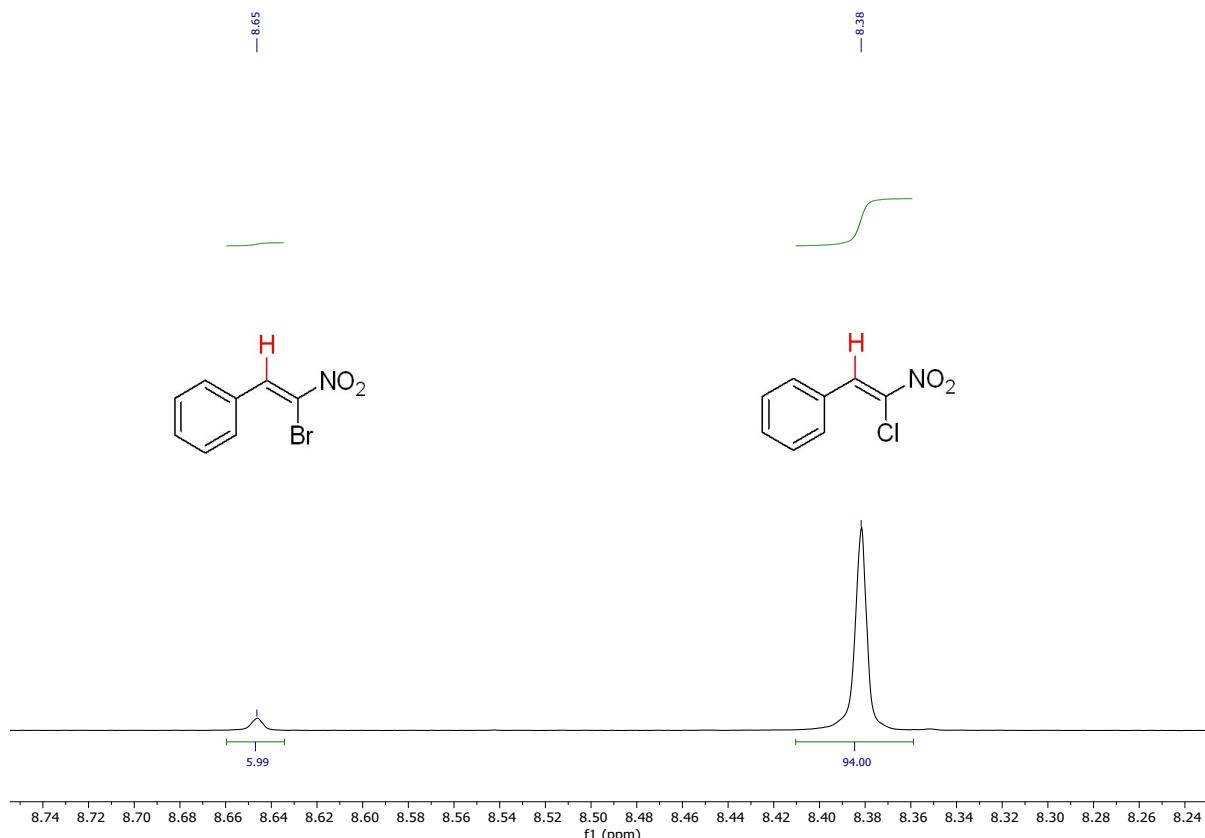
**b) Preparation of chloronitroalkenes**

General procedure



The chloronitroalkenes were prepared according to the literature known procedure<sup>7</sup> with slight modifications. In a 100 mL round-bottom flask, aldehyde (10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), bromonitromethane (20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), Me<sub>2</sub>NH·HCl (90 mmol, 9.0 equiv.) and KF (1.5 mmol, 0.15 equiv.) were combined with toluene (10 mL) and *m*-xylene (30 mL) and the mixture was stirred at 130 °C, fitted with a Dean-Stark trap until completion of the reaction monitored by TLC. The mixture was treated with saturated aqueous NaHSO<sub>3</sub> (20 mL) and the aqueous phase was extracted thrice with DCM. The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. Once concentrated, the crude product was either purified on silica column using ethyl EtOAc/ Petroleum ether mixture or recrystallized to yield the pure product.

Note that the products were isolated as a mixture of **chloronitroalkene** (major) and **bromonitroalkene** (minor). The proportion was determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy as follows.

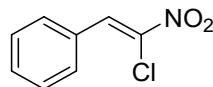


Chemical shift of (Z)-2-bromo-2-nitrostyrene in CDCl<sub>3</sub> is in accordance with the literature<sup>8</sup>

<sup>7</sup> Dauzonne, D.; Royer, R.; *Synthesis*, **1990**, 66-70.

<sup>8</sup> Ganesh, M.; Namboothiri. I.N.N. *Tetrahedron*, **2007**, 63, 11973-11983.

**(Z)-(2-chloro-2-nitrovinyl)benzene (**2a**)**



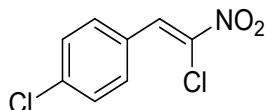
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Prepared following general procedure using benzaldehyde (1.06 g, 1.02 mL, 10.0 mmol), bromonitromethane (2.80 g, 1.4 mL, 20.0 mmol), Me<sub>2</sub>NH·HCl (7.30 g, 90.0 mmol) and KF (87 mg, 1.5 mmol) overnight. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 0:100 to 1:49) to yield a yellow solid (1.43 g, 7.8 mmol, 78%)

6% of Br, R<sub>f</sub> = 0.43 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.38 (s, 1H), 7.91 – 7.83 (m, 2H), 7.54 – 7.47 (m, 3H).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopic data are in accordance with the literature<sup>5</sup>

**(Z)-1-chloro-4-(2-chloro-2-nitrovinyl)benzene (**2b**)**



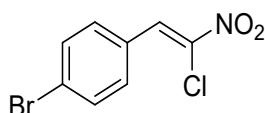
Molecular Weight: 218,0330

Prepared following general procedure using 4-chlorobenzaldehyde (1.41 g, 10.0 mmol), bromonitromethane (2.80 g, 1.4 mL, 20.0 mmol), Me<sub>2</sub>NH·HCl (7.30 g, 90.0 mmol) and KF (87 mg, 1.5 mmol) for 40 h. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:49 to 1:24) and the yellow solid was washed with Petroleum ether to yield a light-yellow solid (0.61 g, 2.7 mmol, 27%)

12% of Br, R<sub>f</sub> = 0.61 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.33 (s, 1H), 7.88 – 7.74 (m, 2H), 7.56 – 7.43 (m, 2H).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopic data are in accordance with the literature<sup>5</sup>

**(Z)-1-bromo-4-(2-chloro-2-nitrovinyl)benzene (**2f**)**



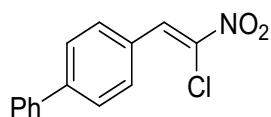
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Prepared following general procedure using 4-bromobenzaldehyde (1.85 g, 10.0 mmol), bromonitromethane (2.80 g, 1.4 mL, 20.0 mmol), Me<sub>2</sub>NH·HCl (7.30 g, 90.0 mmol) and KF (87 mg, 1.5 mmol) for 64 h. The crude product was recrystallized from Petroleum ether to yield a light-brown solid (0.82 g, 3.1 mmol, 31%)

4% of Br, R<sub>f</sub> = 0.35 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.31 (s, 1H), 7.74 – 7.70 (m, 2H), 7.66 – 7.62 (m, 2H).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopic data are in accordance with the literature<sup>9</sup>

**(Z)-4-(2-chloro-2-nitrovinyl)-1,1'-biphenyl (2k)**



Molecular Weight: 259,6890

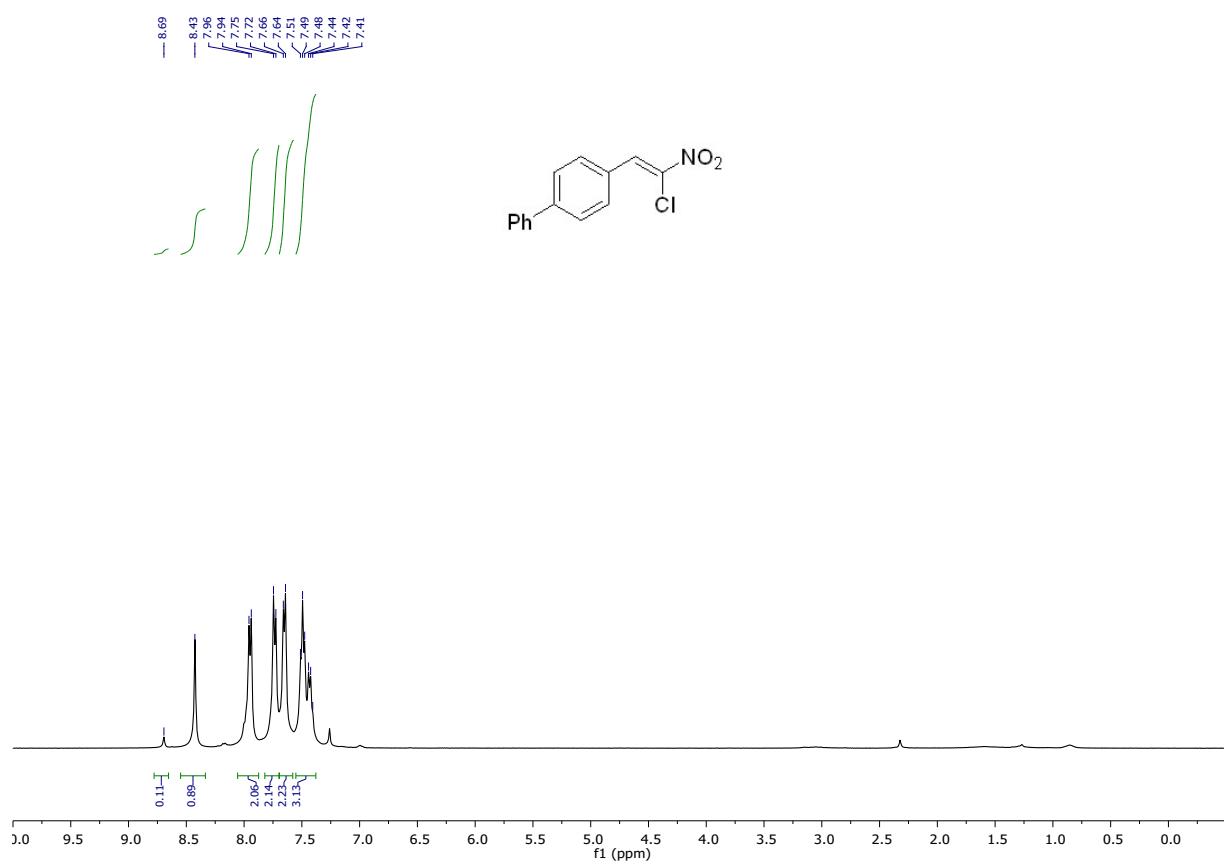
Prepared following general procedure using [1,1'-biphenyl]-4-carbaldehyde (1.82 g, 10.0 mmol), bromonitromethane (2.80 g, 1.4 mL, 20.0 mmol), Me<sub>2</sub>NH·HCl (7.30 g, 90.0 mmol) and KF (87 mg, 1.5 mmol) for 43 h. The crude product was recrystallized from Petroleum ether to yield an orange powder (1.67 g, 6.3 mmol, 63%)

11% of Br,  $R_f = 0.53$  (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ (ppm) 8.43 (s, 1H), 7.95 (d,  $J = 8.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.74 (d,  $J = 8.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 7.55 – 7.38 (m, 3H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ (ppm) 144.9, 139.7, 132.0, 131.5, 129.21, 128.7, 128.6, 127.8, 127.7, 127.3. **MP** = 133 °C, **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z)**: [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>10</sub>ClNO<sub>2</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 367.9436, found 367.9435.

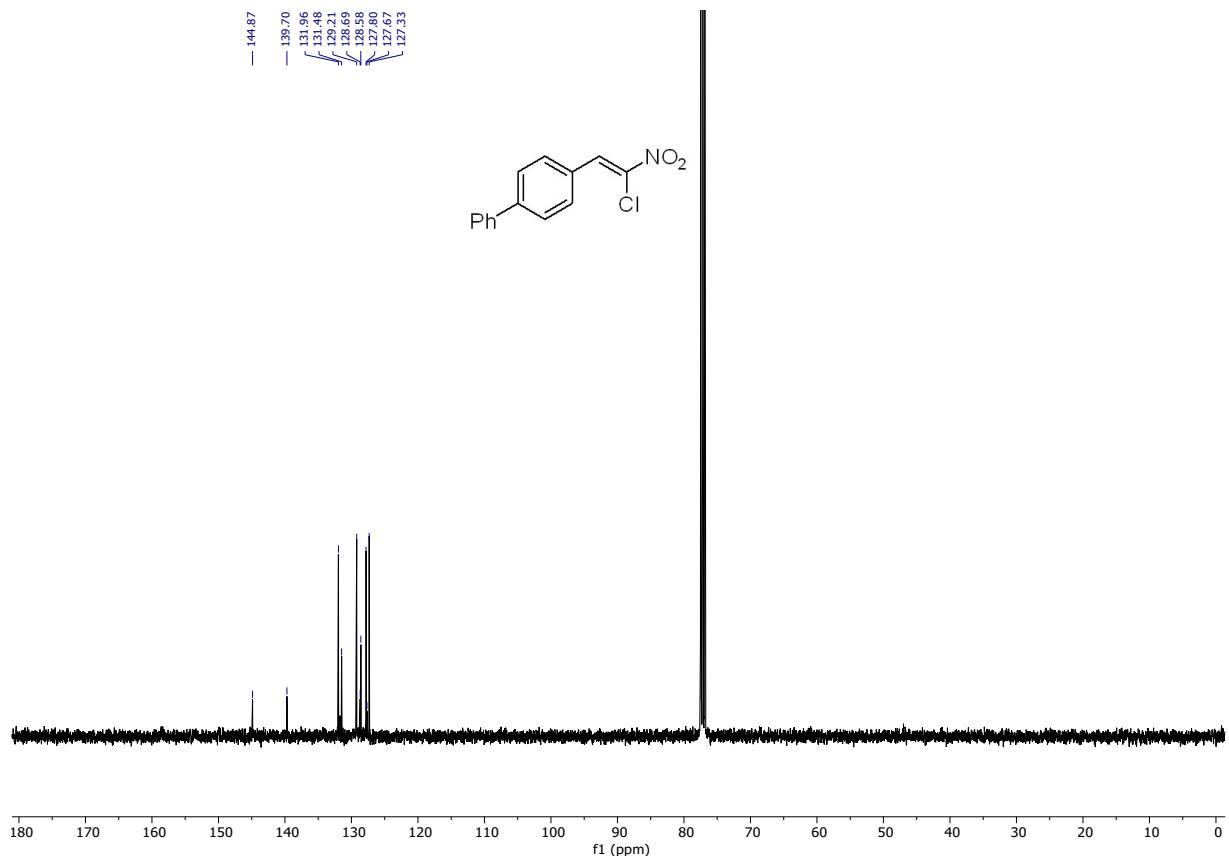
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<sup>9</sup> Liu, L.; Zhang-Negrerie, D.; Du, Y.; Zhao, K. *Org. Lett.* **2014**. *16*, 436-439

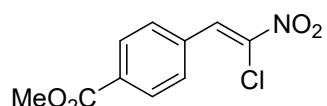
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **2k** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **2k** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



**methyl (Z)-4-(2-chloro-2-nitrovinyl)benzoate (2g)**



Molecular Weight: 241,6270

Prepared following general procedure using methyl 4-formylbenzoate (1.64 g, 10.0 mmol), bromonitromethane (2.80 g, 1.4 mL, 20.0 mmol), Me<sub>2</sub>NH·HCl (7.30 g, 90.0 mmol) and KF (87 mg, 1.5 mmol) overnight. The crude product was recrystallized from pentane to yield an orange powder (1.49 g, 6.0 mmol, 60%)

15% of Br, R<sub>f</sub> = 0.33 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm)** 8.38 (s, 1H), 8.18 – 8.12 (m, 2H), 7.96 – 7.87 (m, 2H), 3.96 (s, 3H).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopic data are in accordance with the literature<sup>10</sup>

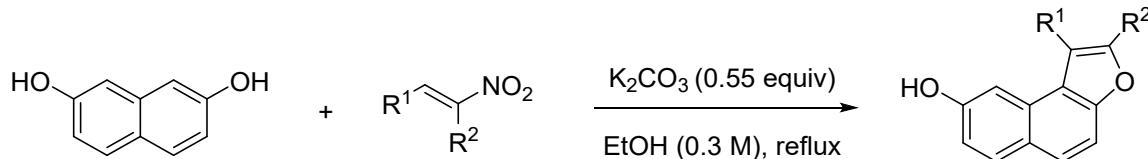
*The rest of the chloronitroalkenes used were generously provided by Daniel Dauzonne (Institut Curie).*

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<sup>10</sup> Fadeeva, A.; Ioffe, S.L.; Tabolin, A.A. *Tetrahedron Letters* **2021**, 73, 153106

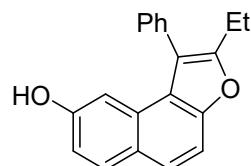
c) Preparation of naphtho[2,1-b]furan-8-ols (3)

General procedure



The naphtho[2,1-b]furan-8-ols were prepared according to the literature known procedure.<sup>11</sup> In a round-bottom flask, 2,7-dihydroxynaphthalene (1.0 equiv.) and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.55 equiv.) were added to a solution of nitroalkene (1 equiv.) in absolute ethanol and the yellow mixture was stirred at reflux (80 °C) until completion of the reaction monitored by TLC. Once cooled to room temperature, the black mixture was treated with water and the aqueous phase was extracted thrice with EtOAc. The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The crude black oil was purified on silica column using EtOAc/ Petroleum ether mixture to yield the product.

2-ethyl-1-phenylnaphtho[2,1-b]furan-8-ol (3a)



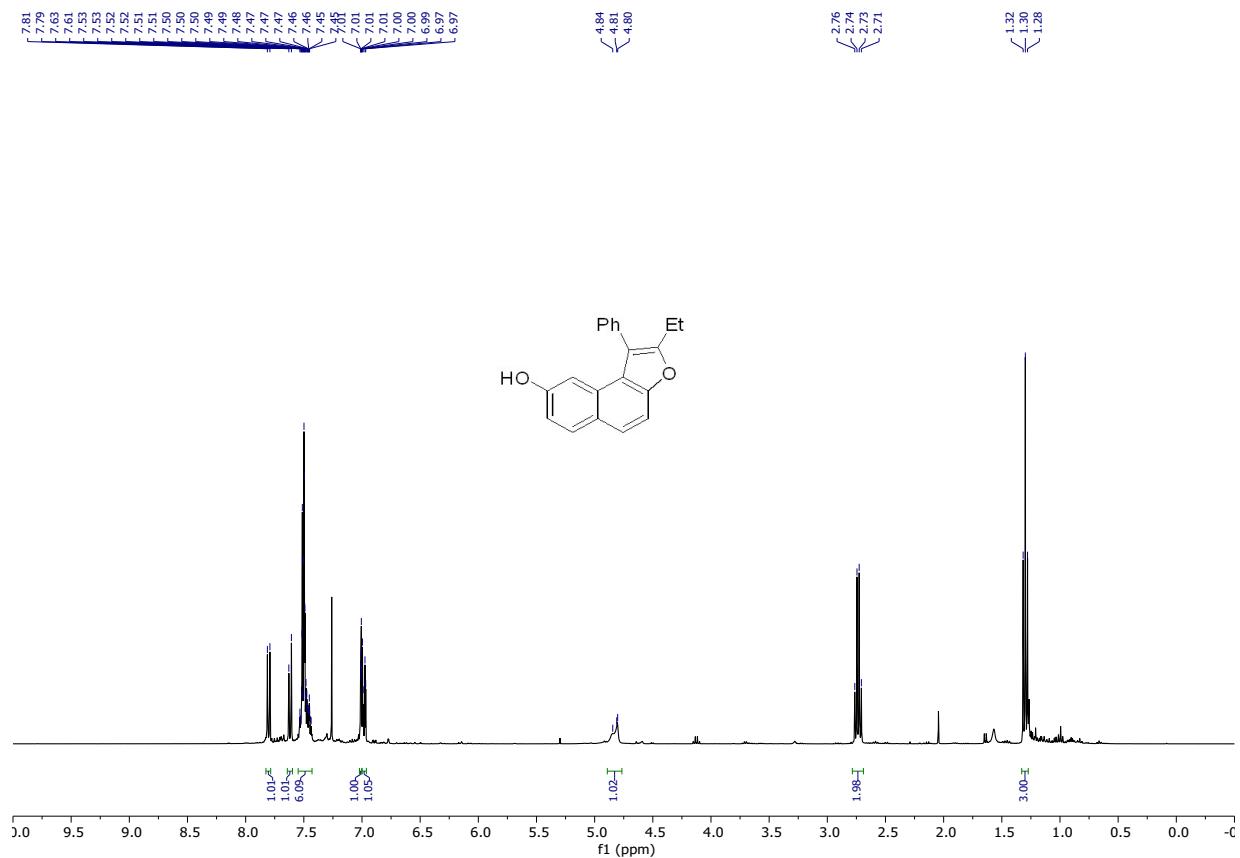
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Prepared following general procedure using 2,7-dihydroxynaphthalene (1.76 g, 11.0 mmol), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (0.83 g, 6.0 mmol), and (E)-(2-nitrobut-1-en-1-yl)benzene (1.95 g, 11.0 mmol) for 3 h. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 5:95 to 3:22) to yield a yellow slurry oil that darken upon storage (1.90 g, 6.59 mmol, 60%)

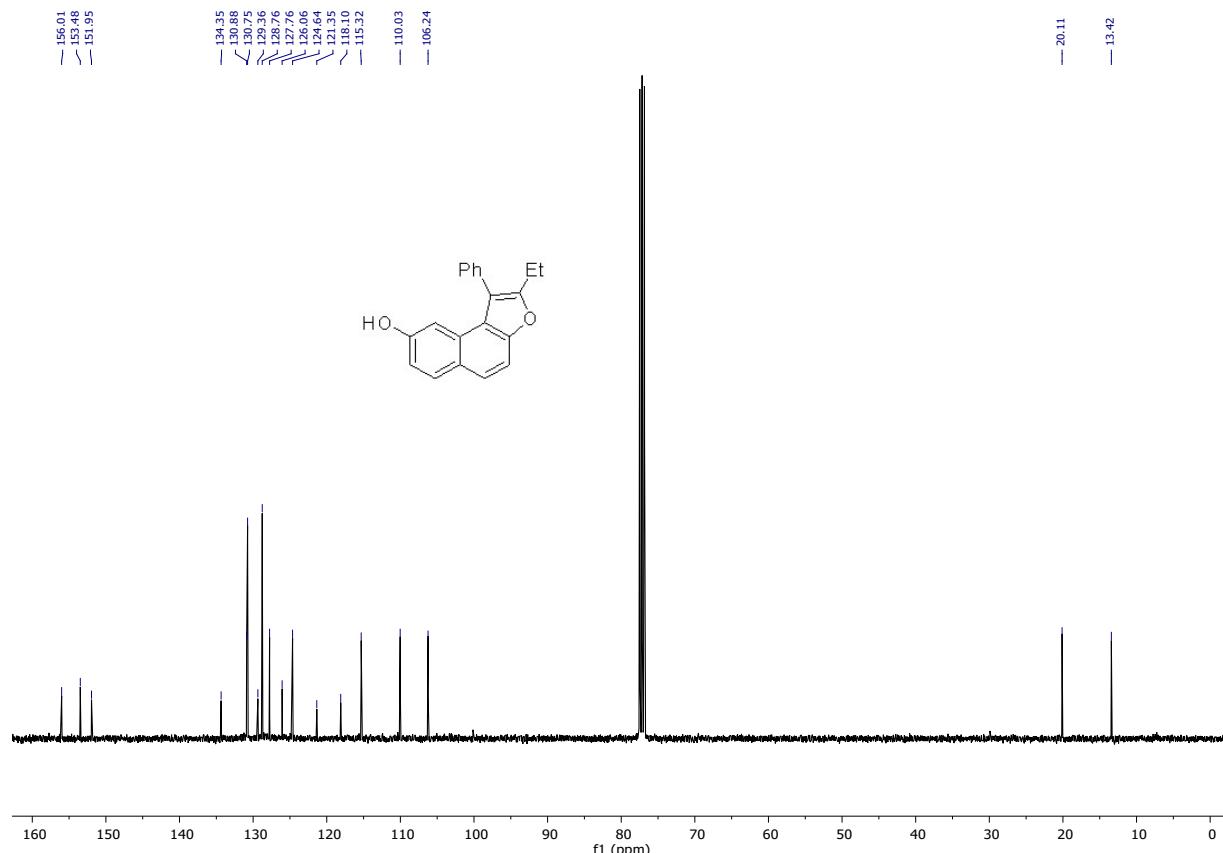
R<sub>f</sub> = 0.23 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 7.80 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.43 (m, 6H), 7.01 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (dd, J = 8.7, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 4.88 – 4.78 (m, 1H), 2.74 (q, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.30 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 156.0, 153.5, 152.0, 134.4, 130.9, 130.8, 129.4, 128.8, 127.8, 126.1, 124.6, 121.4, 118.1, 115.3, 110.0, 106.2, 20.1, 13.4. MP = 117 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 397.0194, found 397.0194.

<sup>11</sup> Gosh, M.; Santra, S.; Monal, P.; Kundu, D.; Hajra, A. *Chem. Asia. J.* **2015**, 10, 2526-2536

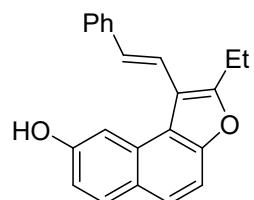
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **3a** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **3a** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(E)-2-ethyl-1-styrylnaphthalo[2,1-b]furan-8-ol (3c)

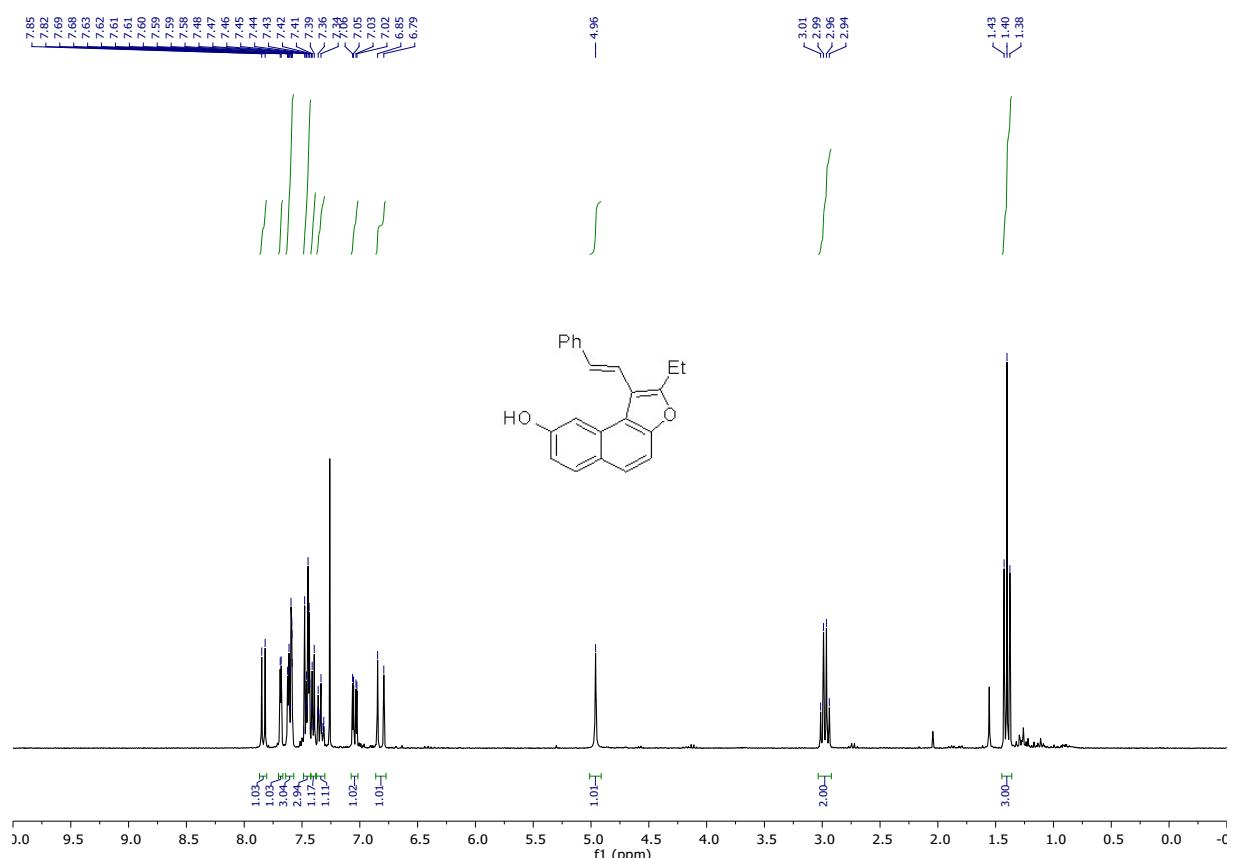


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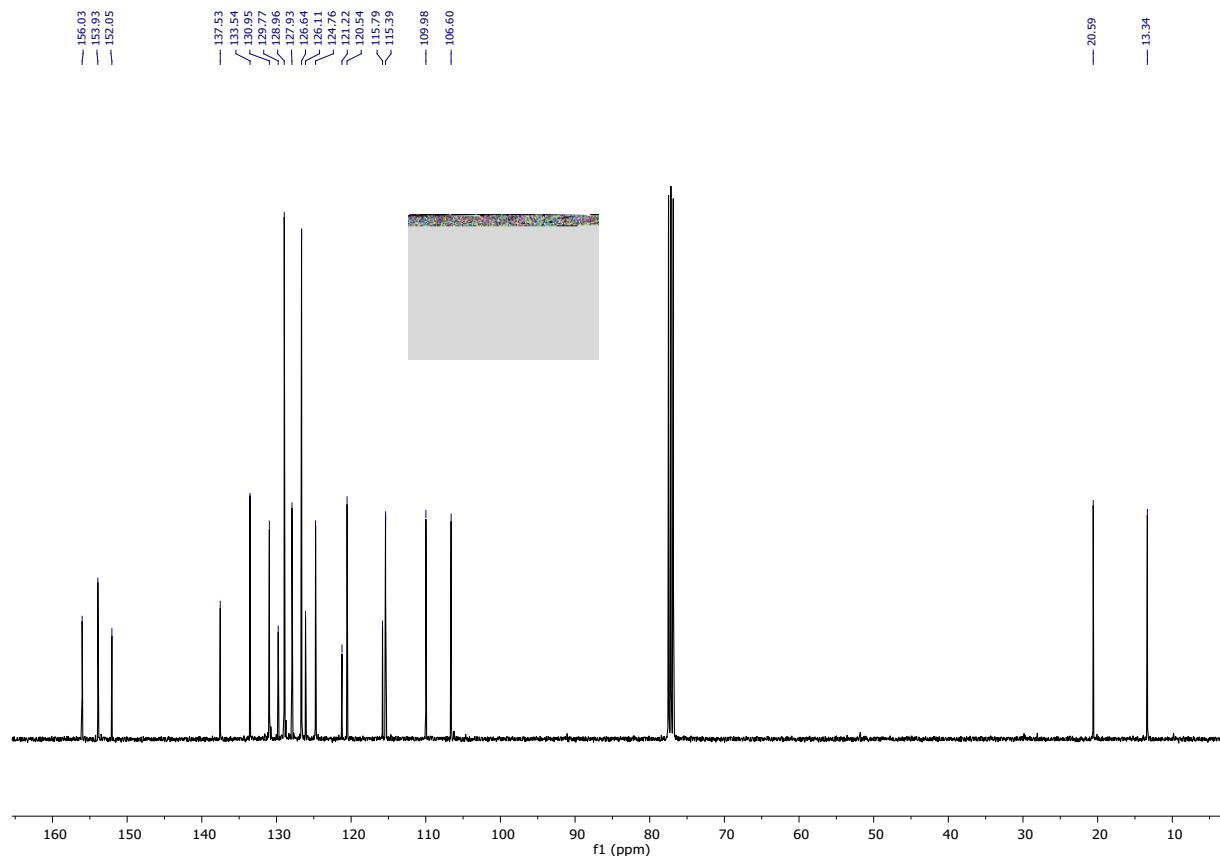
Prepared following general procedure using 2,7-dihydroxynaphthalene (409 mg, 2.55 mmol), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (194 mg, 1.40 mmol), and ((1*E*,3*E*)-4-nitrohexa-1,3-dien-1-yl)benzene (519 mg, 2.55 mmol) for 40 min. The reaction mixture was neutralized with HCl (1M aq.). The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 5:95 to 3:17) to yield a yellow solid that darken upon storage (327 mg, 1.04 mmol, 41%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.20 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 7.83 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.57 (m, 3H), 7.48 – 7.30 (m, 5H), 7.04 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (d, J = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 4.96 (s, 1H), 2.98 (q, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.40 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 156.0, 153.9, 152.1, 137.5, 133.5, 131.0, 129.8, 129.0, 127.9, 126.6, 126.1, 124.8, 121.2, 120.5, 115.8, 115.4, 110.0, 106.6, 20.6, 13.3. MP = 156 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 421.0352, found 421.0348.

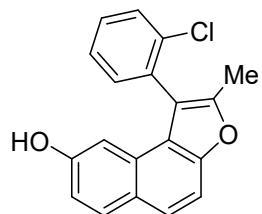
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<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **3c** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



1-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-methylnaphtho[2,1-b]furan-8-ol (**3m**)

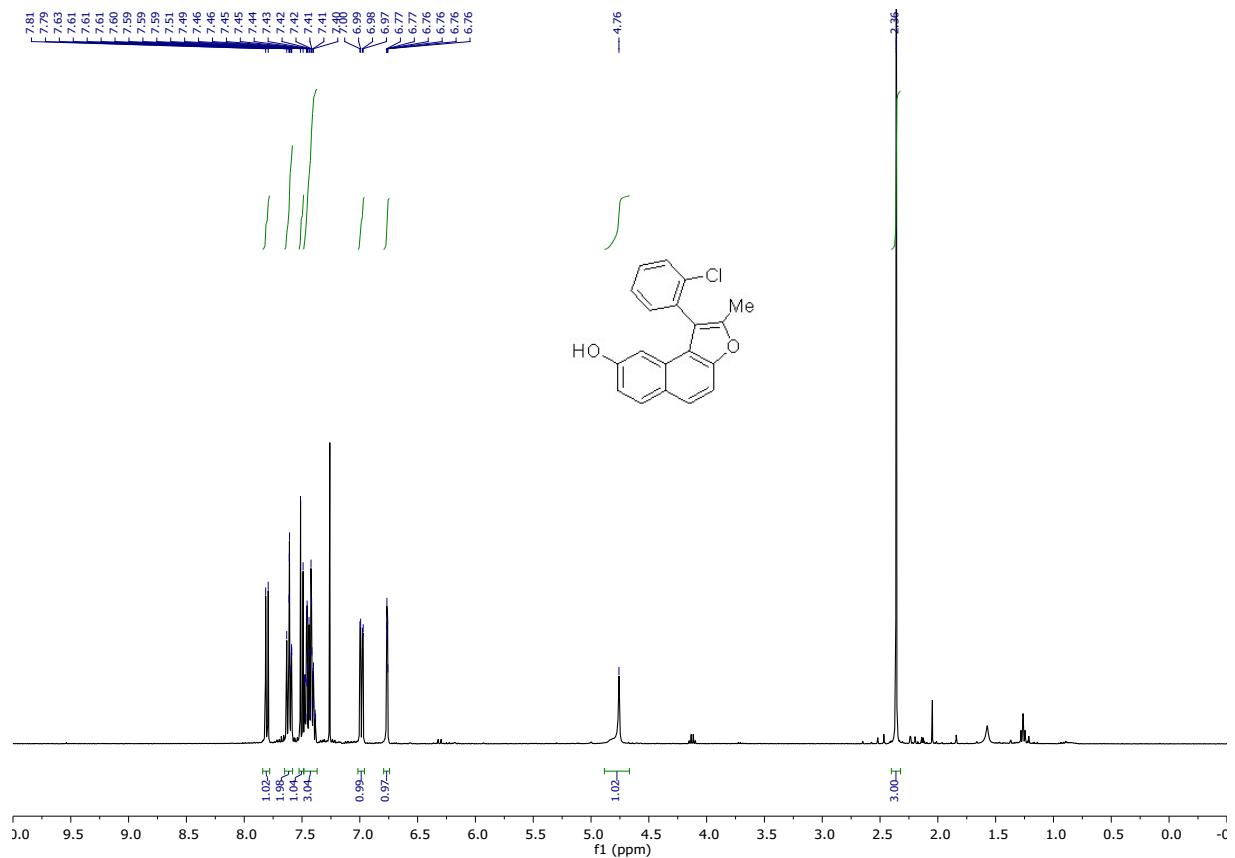


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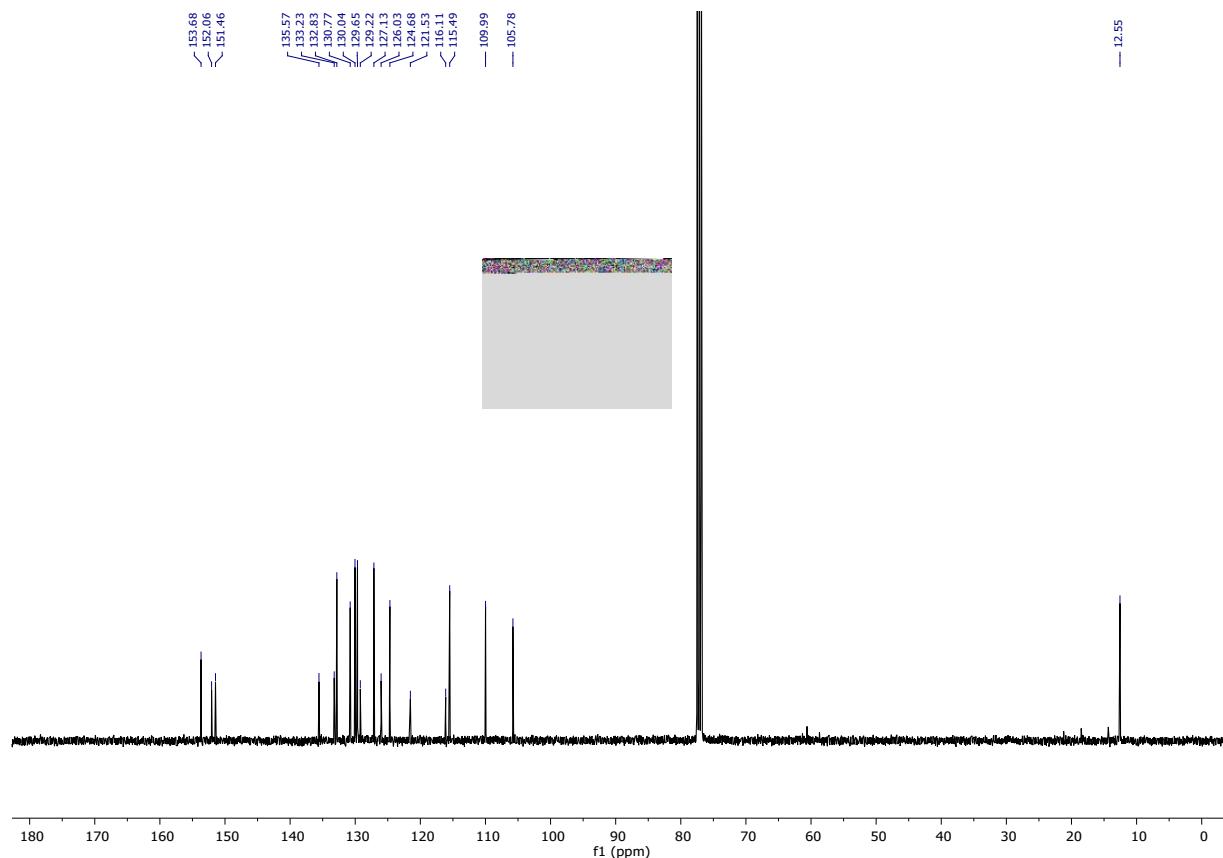
Prepared following general procedure using 2,7-dihydroxynaphthalene (526 mg, 3.28 mmol), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (250 mg, 1.81 mmol), and (E)-1-chloro-2-(2-nitroprop-1-en-1-yl)benzene (649 mg, 3.28 mmol) for 1.5 h. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9) to yield a white sticky solid that darken upon storage (552 mg, 1.79 mmol, 54%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.12 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 7.80 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.50 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.38 (m, 3H), 6.98 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (dt, J = 2.5, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 4.76 (s, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 153.68, 152.06, 151.46, 135.57, 133.23, 132.83, 130.77, 130.04, 129.65, 129.22, 127.13, 126.03, 124.68, 121.53, 116.11, 115.49, 109.99, 105.78, 12.55. HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>13</sub>ClO<sub>2</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 416.9641, found 416.9634.

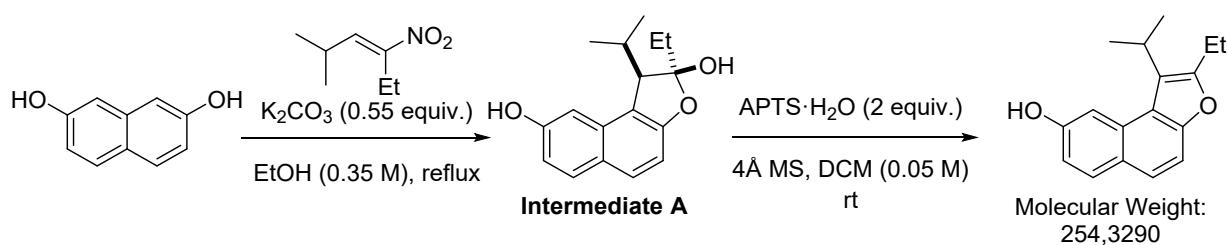
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **3m** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **3m** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



2-ethyl-1-isopropylnaphtho[2,1-b]furan-8-ol (**3b**)

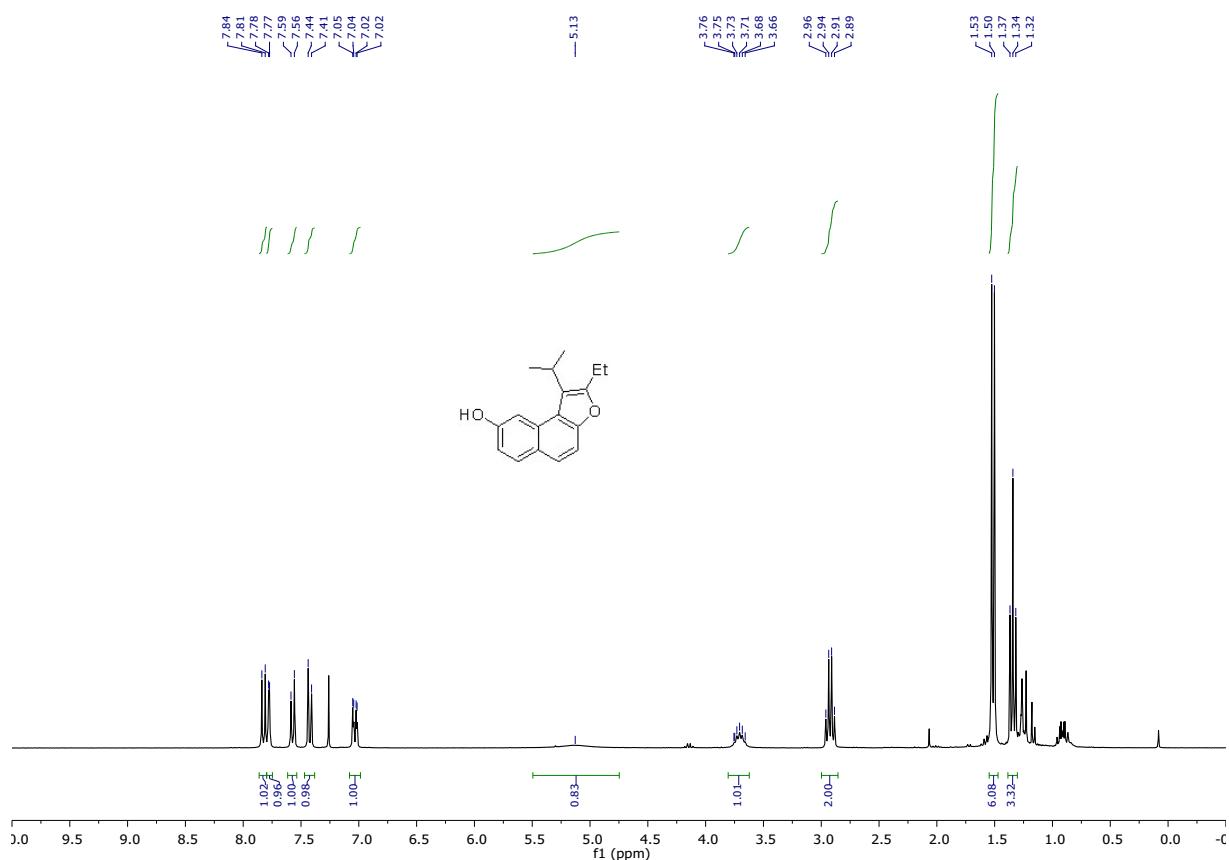


**Intermediate A** was prepared following general procedure using 2,7-dihydroxynaphthalene (2.24 g, 14.0 mmol), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.06 g, 7.7 mmol), and (E)-2-methyl-4-nitrohex-3-ene (2.00 g, 14.0 mmol) for 24 h. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:4 to 2:3) to yield 619 mg (2.27 mmol, 16%)

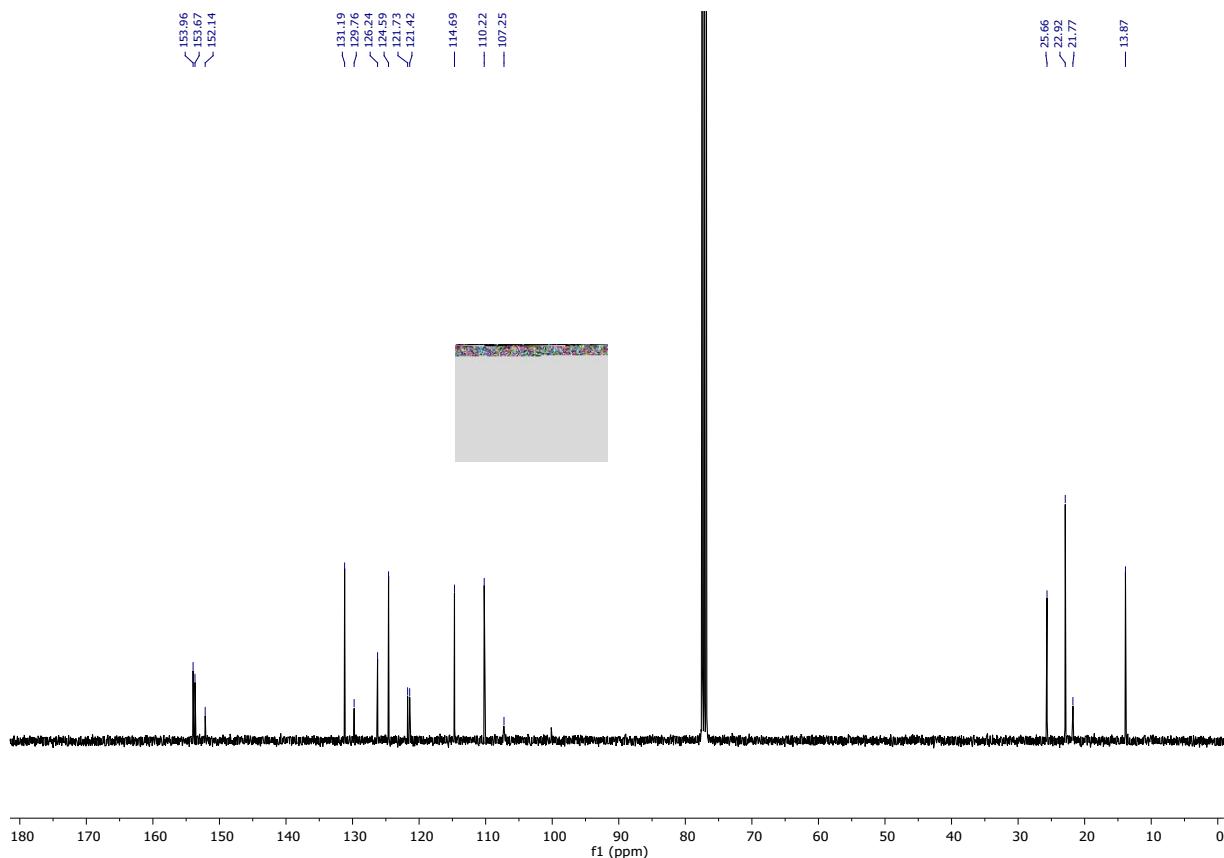
In a 100 mL round-bottom flask, APTS (796 mg, 4.2 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) was added to a brown mixture of 4Å MS (9 g) and **intermediate A** (570 mg, 2.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in DCM (0.05 M) and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 18 h. The reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and the aqueous phase was extracted thrice with DCM. The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The crude oil was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9) to yield a brown sticky solid (372 mg, 1.46 mmol, 70%).

$R_f$  = 0.41 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:4), **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.82 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d,  $J$  = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.03 (dd,  $J$  = 8.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (s, 1H), 3.80 – 3.62 (m, 1H), 2.92 (q,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.51 (d,  $J$  = 7.1 Hz, 6H), 1.34 (t,  $J$  = 7.5 Hz, 3H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**  $\delta$  (ppm) 154.0, 153.7, 152.1, 131.2, 129.8, 126.2, 124.6, 121.7, 121.4, 114.7, 110.2, 107.3, 25.7, 22.9, 21.8, 13.9. **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z):** [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 361.0352, found 361.0351.

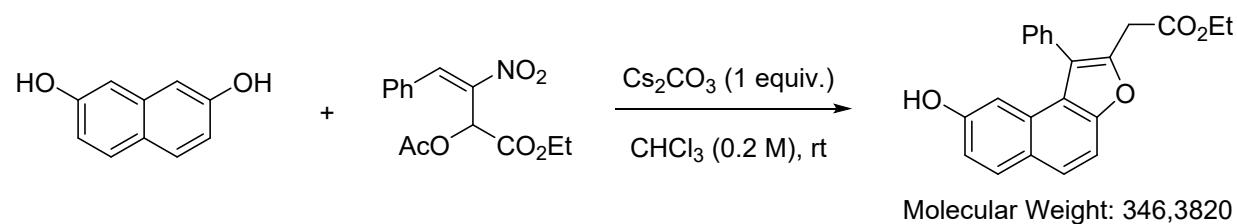
**<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 3b in CDCl<sub>3</sub>**



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **3b** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



ethyl 2-(8-hydroxy-1-phenylnaphtho[2,1-b]furan-2-yl)acetate (**3d**)



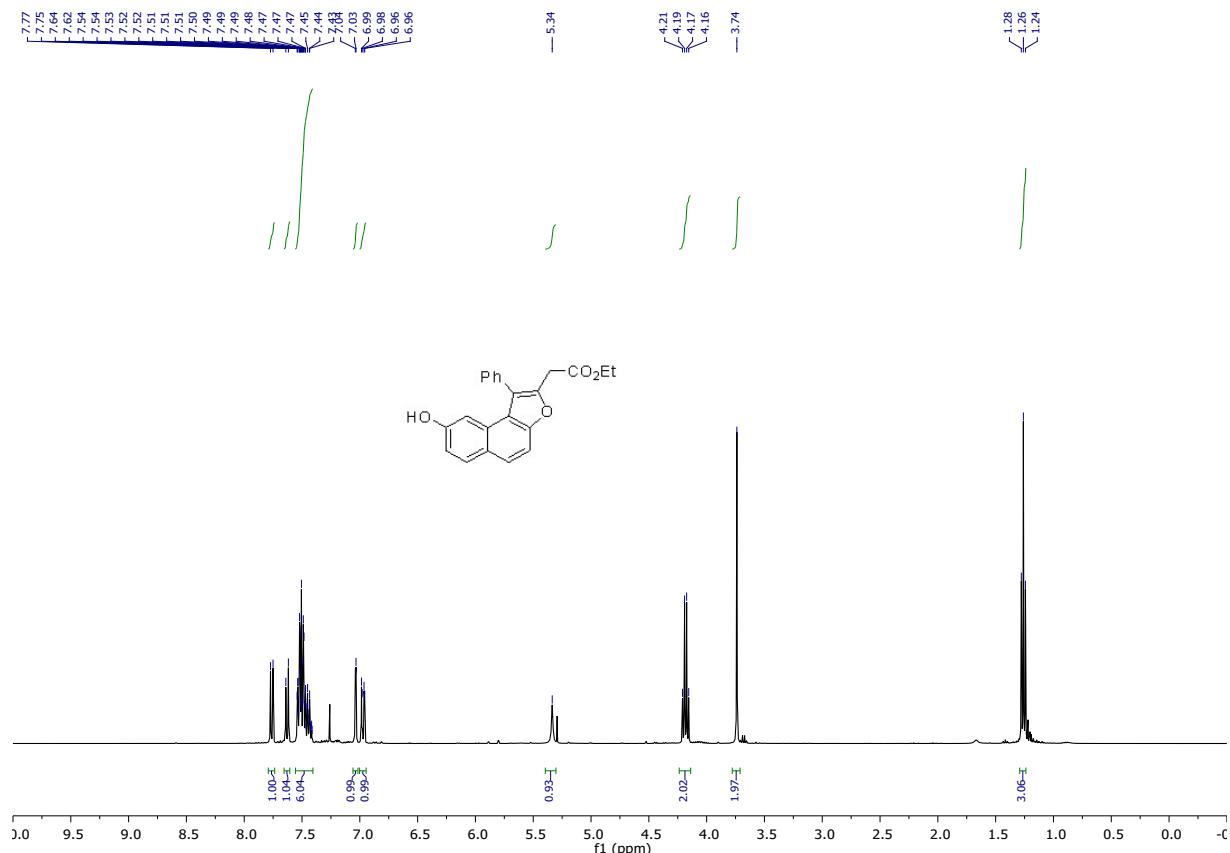
**3d** was prepared according to the literature known procedure.<sup>12</sup> In a reaction tube, 2,7-dihydroxynaphthalene (71 mg, 0.44 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), ethyl (E)-2-acetoxy-3-nitro-4-phenylbut-3-enoate (130 mg, 0.44 mmol, 1.0 equiv.); and C<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (145 mg, 0.44 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) were combined with CHCl<sub>3</sub> and the yellow mixture was stirred at room temperature for 22h. Once concentrated, the crude red oil was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9 to 1:4) to yield a yellow solid (85 mg, 0.24 mmol, 55%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.25 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:4), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 7.76 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.56 – 7.41 (m, 6H), 7.04 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.97 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 5.34 (s, 1H), 4.18 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 3.74 (s, 2H), 1.26 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 169.6, 153.8, 152.6, 146.4, 133.3, 130.9, 130.6, 129.4, 128.9, 128.1, 126.0, 125.6, 121.7, 120.9, 115.6,

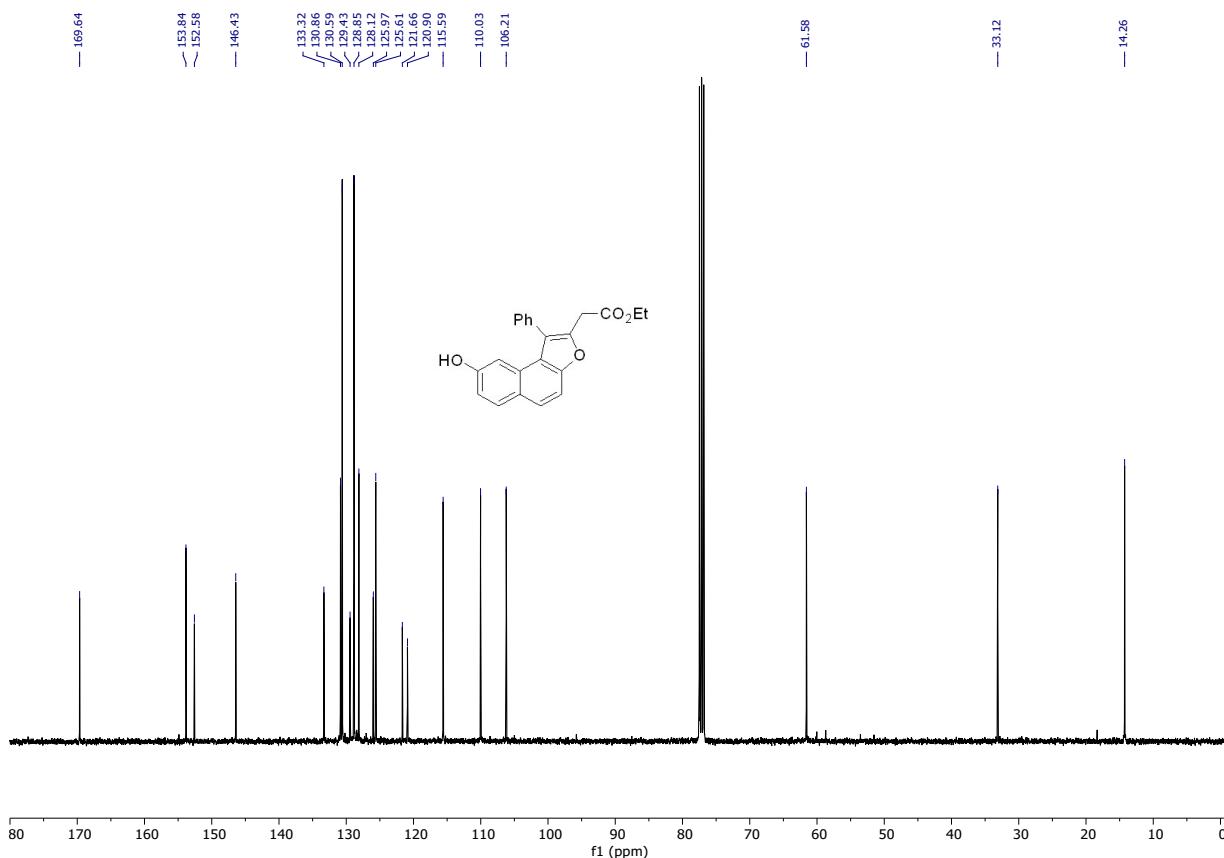
<sup>12</sup> Anwar, S.; Huang, W-Y.; Chen, C-H.; Cheng, Y-S.; Chen, K. *Chem. Eur. J.* **2013**, 19, 4344-4351

110.0, 106.2, 61.6, 33.1, 14.3. MP = 114 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (*m/z*): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 453.0251, found 453.0247.

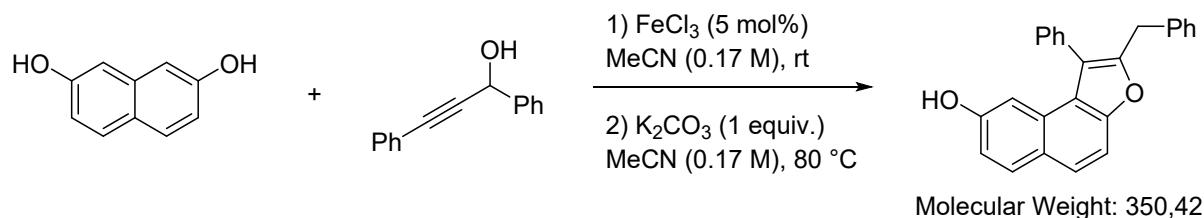
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **3d** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **3d** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



2-benzyl-1-phenylnaphtho[2,1-b]furan-8-ol (**3e**)



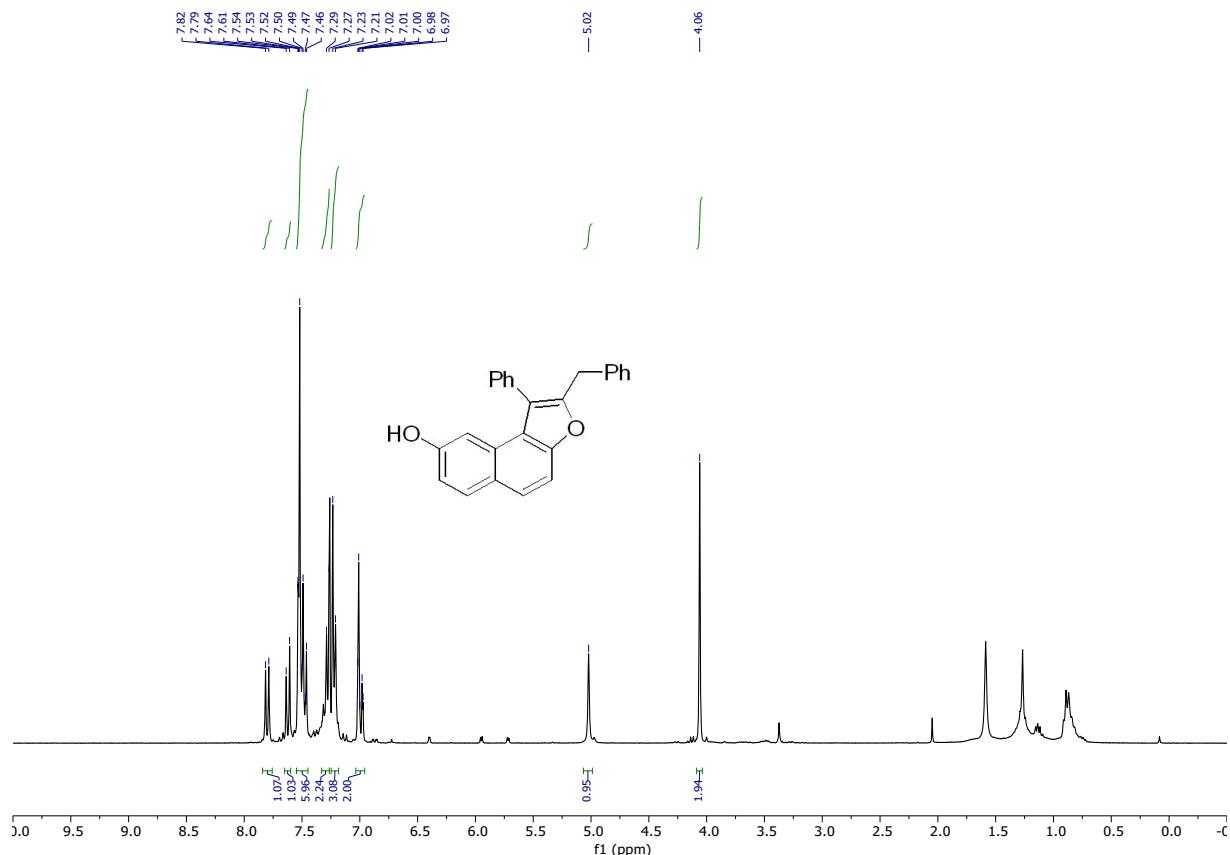
**3e** was prepared according to the literature known procedure.<sup>13</sup> In a dry Schlenk tube, 1,3-diphenylprop-2-yn-1-ol (95 μL, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added to a mixture of 2,7-dihydroxynaphthalene (96 mg, 0.6 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) and FeCl<sub>3</sub> (4 mg, 0.025 mmol, 5%mol) in MeCN and the brown mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 days. K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (69 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added to the now red mixture that was then heated to 80 °C for 24 h. Once cooled to room temperature, the black mixture was filtered on celite, washed with DCM, and the filtrate was concentrated to dryness. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 5:95 to 2:8) to yield an orange sticky solid (100 mg, 0.29 mmol, 57%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.54 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 3:7), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 7.80 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.56 – 7.44 (m, 6H), 7.35 – 7.24 (m, 2H), 7.22 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 7.04 – 6.96 (m, 2H), 5.02 (s, 1H), 4.06 (s, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 153.7, 152.5, 152.4, 138.3, 134.0,

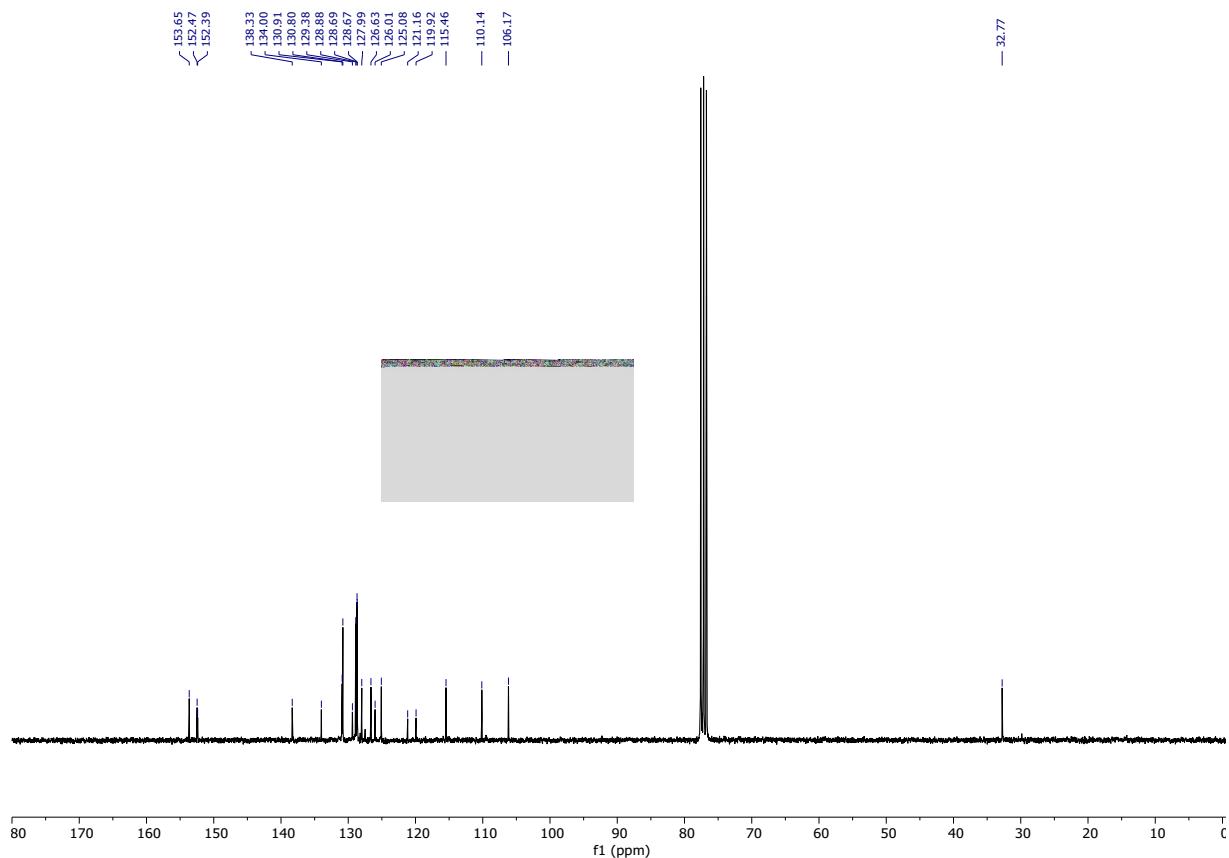
<sup>13</sup> Yuan, F-Q.; Han, F-S.; *Adv. Synth. Catal.* **2013**, 355, 537-547.

130.9, 130.8, 129.4, 128.9, 128.7, 128.7, 128.0, 126.6, 126.0, 125.1, 121.2, 119.9, 115.5, 110.1, 106.2, 32.8. **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z):** [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 457.0352, found 457.0349.

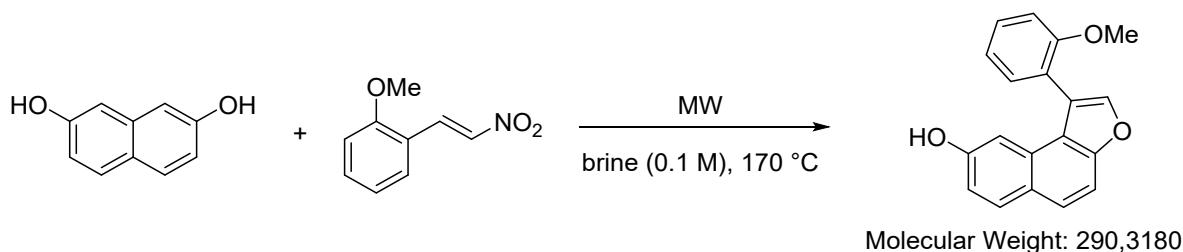
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **3e** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



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1-(2-methoxyphenyl)naphtho[2,1-*b*]furan-8-ol (**3n**)

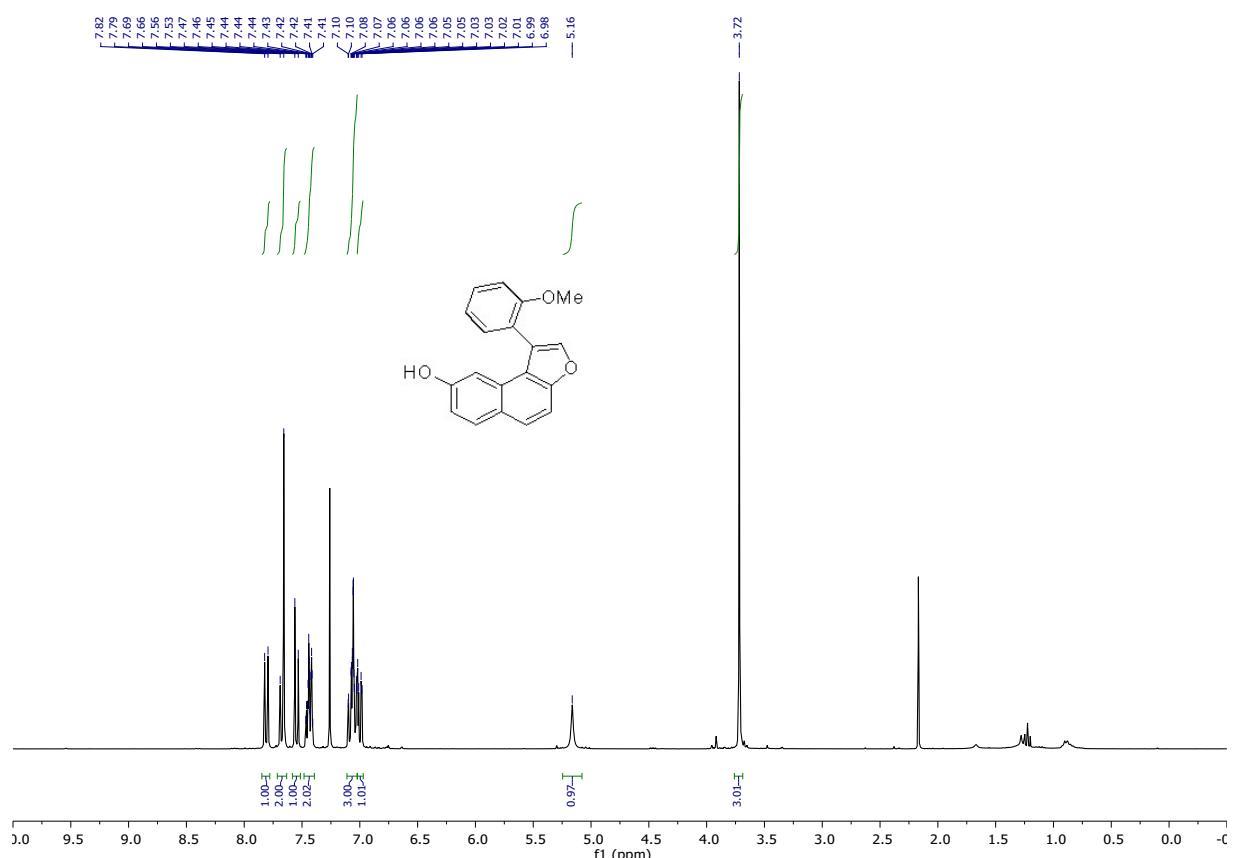


**3n** was prepared according to the literature known procedure.<sup>14</sup> In a G30 MW vessel, dihydroxynaphthalene (160 mg, 1.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and 1-methoxy-2-[(1*E*)-2-nitroethenyl]benzene (90 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) were combined with brine and the heterogenous mixture was stirred at 170 °C under microwaves for 25 min. The now purple mixture was extracted with EtOAc thrice. The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The crude purple residue was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, solid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:4) to yield a yellow sticky solid (40 mg, 0.14 mmol, 28%).

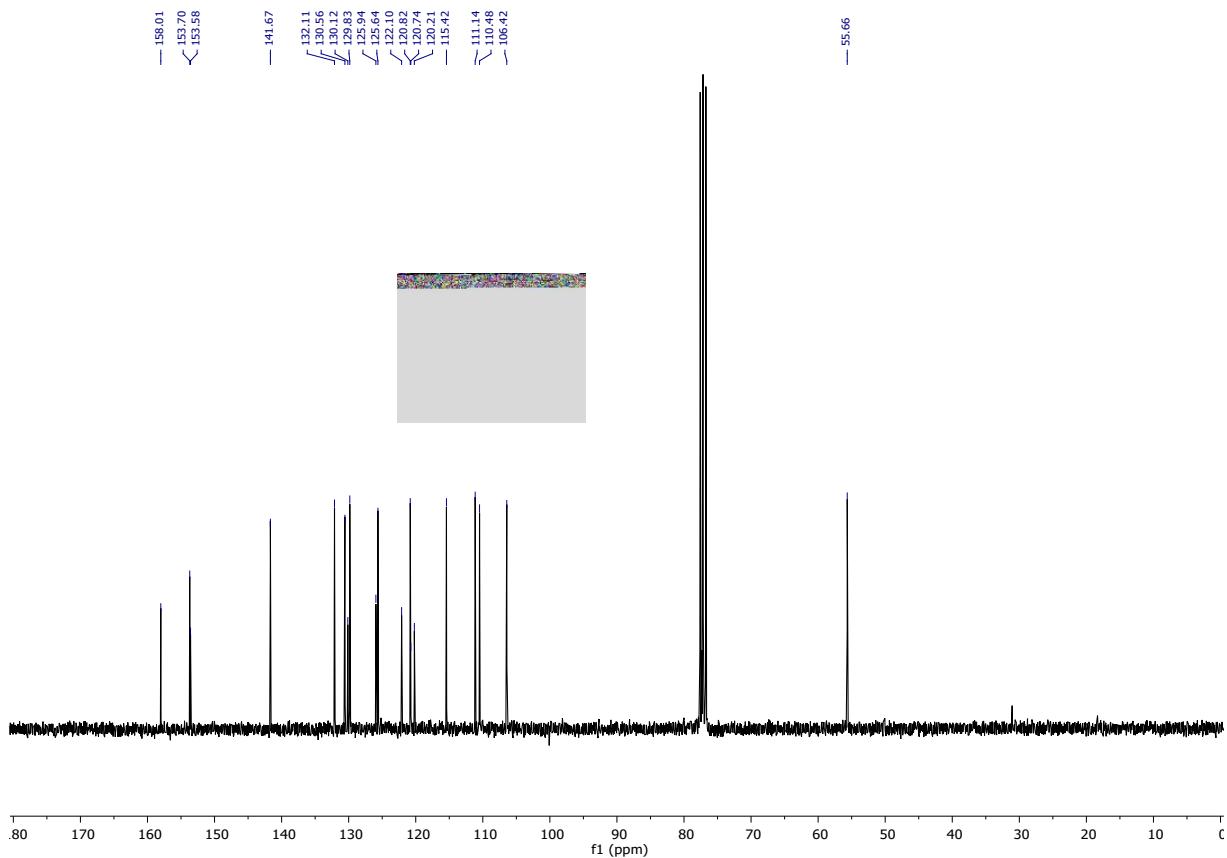
R<sub>f</sub> = 0.34 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 3:7), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 7.81 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d, J = 9.3 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (s, 1H), 7.55 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.40 (m, 2H), 7.10 – 7.02 (m, 3H), 7.00 (dd, J = 8.7, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (s, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 158.0, 153.7, 153.6, 141.7, 132.1, 130.6, 130.1, 129.8, 125.9, 125.6, 122.1, 120.8, 120.7, 120.2, 115.4, 111.1, 110.5, 106.4, 55.7. HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M-H]<sup>-</sup> calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>13</sub>O<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup> 289.0870, found 289.0868.

<sup>14</sup> Wang, B.; Zhang, J.; Liao, J.; Peng, Y.; Zheng, H.; *Heterocycles* **2016**, *92*, 8, 1468-1478.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **3n** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>

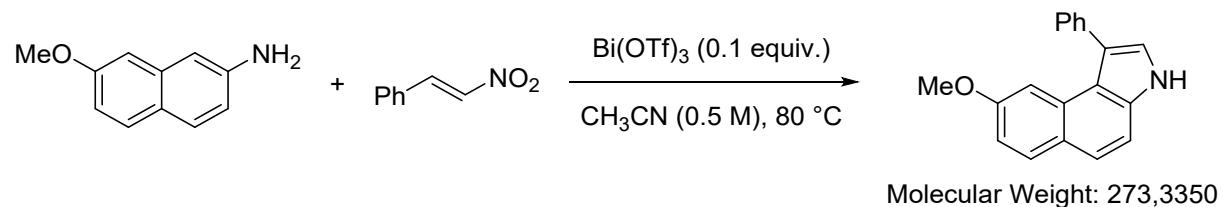


<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **3n** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



**d) Preparation of pyrroles**

8-methoxy-1-phenyl-3H-benzo[e]indole



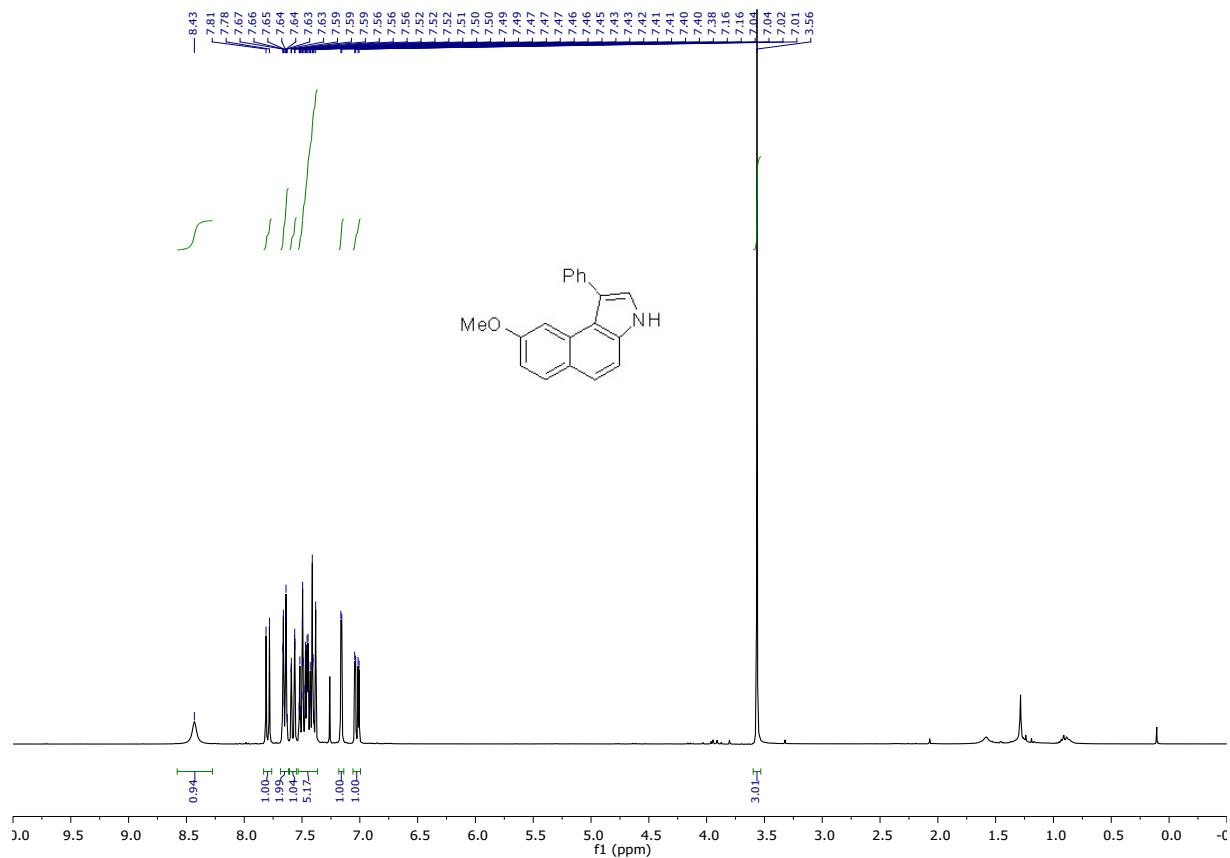
8-methoxy-1-phenyl-3H-benzo[e]indole was prepared according to the literature known procedure.<sup>15</sup> In a dry reaction tube, 7-methoxynaphthalen-2-amine (173 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), nitrostyrene (149 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and Bi(OTf)<sub>3</sub> (66 mg, 0.1 mmol, 0.1 equiv.) were combined with freshly distilled CH<sub>3</sub>CN and the brown mixture was stirred at 80 °C overnight. At room temperature, the mixture was partitioned between water and DCM and the aqueous phase was extracted with DCM twice. The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The crude brown oil was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9) to yield a brown oil (159 mg, 0.58 mmol, 58%).

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.31 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:4), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.43 (s, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.70 – 7.62 (m, 2H), 7.58 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.37 (m, 5H), 7.16 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H),

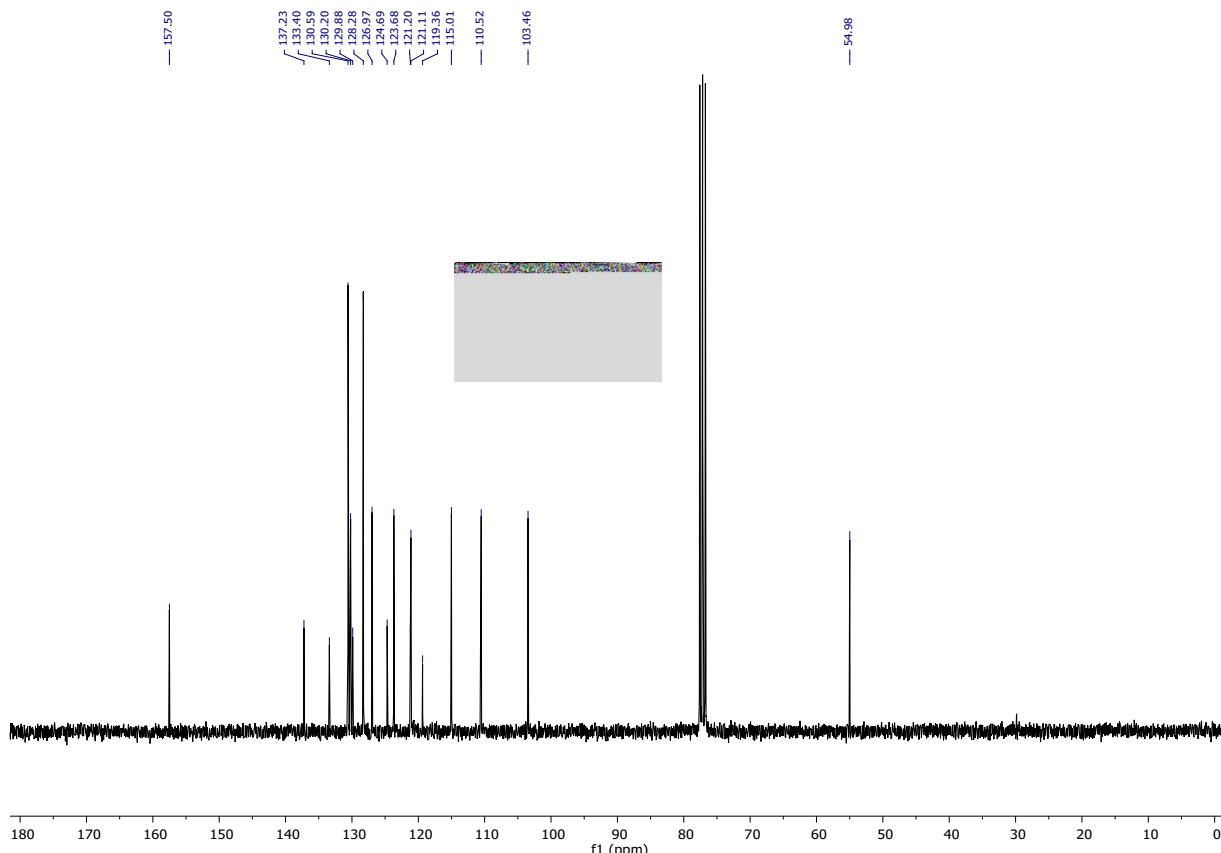
<sup>15</sup> Gattu, R.; Bhattacharjee, S.; Mahato, K.; Khan, A.T. *Org. Biomol. Chem.* **2018**, *16*, 3760-3770.

7.03 (dd,  $J = 8.8, 2.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.56 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) 157.5, 137.2, 133.4, 130.6, 130.2, 129.9, 128.3, 127.0, 124.7, 123.7, 121.2, 121.1, 119.4, 115.0, 110.5, 103.5, 55.0. HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> ( $m/z$ ): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{NOAg}^+$  380.0199, found 380.0196.

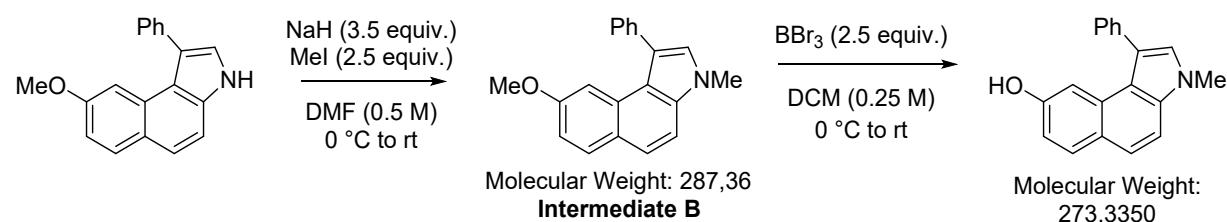
$^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of **8-methoxy-1-phenyl-3H-benzo[e]indole** in  $\text{CDCl}_3$



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **8-methoxy-1-phenyl-3H-benzo[e]indole** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



### 3-methyl-1-phenyl-3H-benzo[e]indol-8-ol (**3f**)



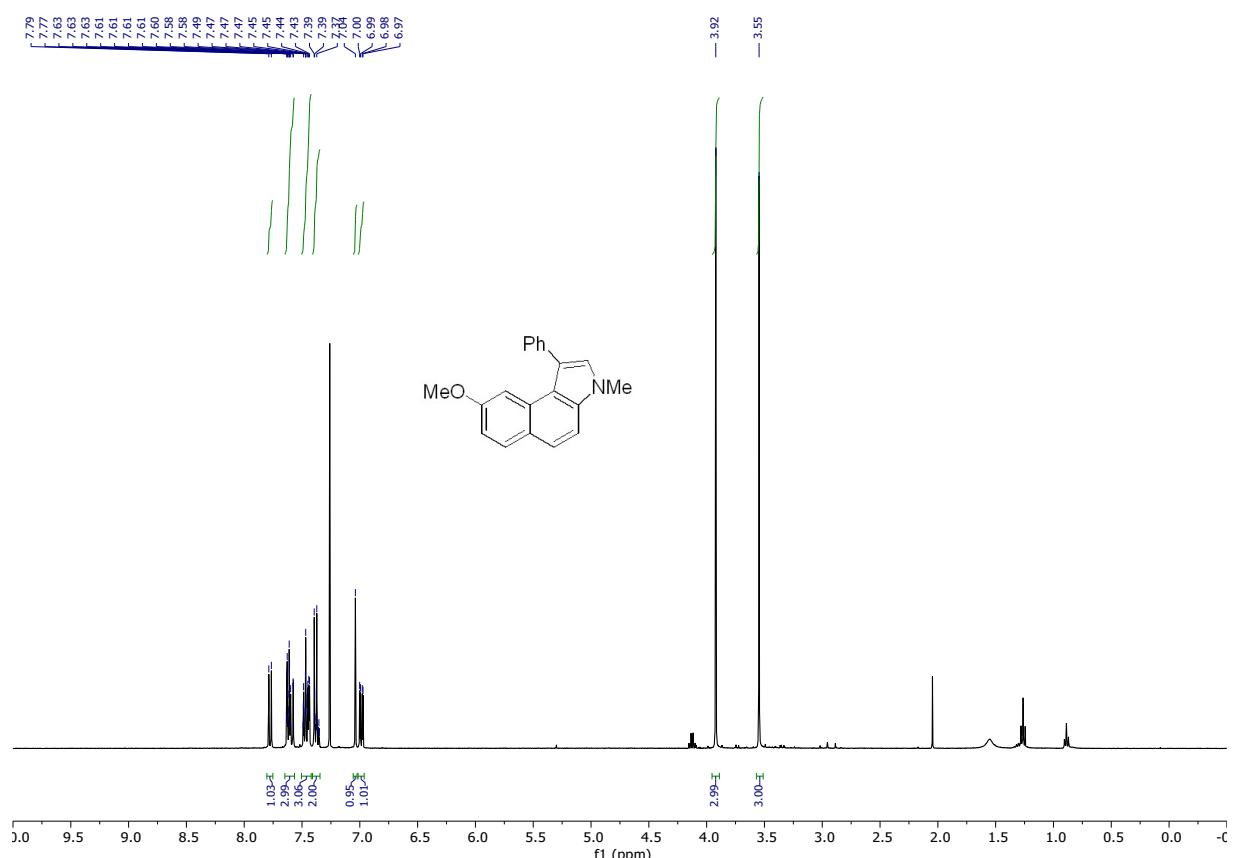
### Intermediate B

In a dry tube, NaH (47 mg, 1.97 mmol, 3.5 equiv.) was added to a solution of 8-methoxy-1-phenyl-3H-benzo[e]indole (154 mg, 0.56 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in anhydrous DMF at 0 °C followed by the dropwise addition of MeI (88 µL, 1.41 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) at the same temperature. After 30 minutes of stirring et room temperature, the mixture was partitioned between brine and EtOAc. The organic layer was washed thrice with LiCl (5% aq.), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness to yield an orange oil (132 mg, 0.46 mmol, 82%)

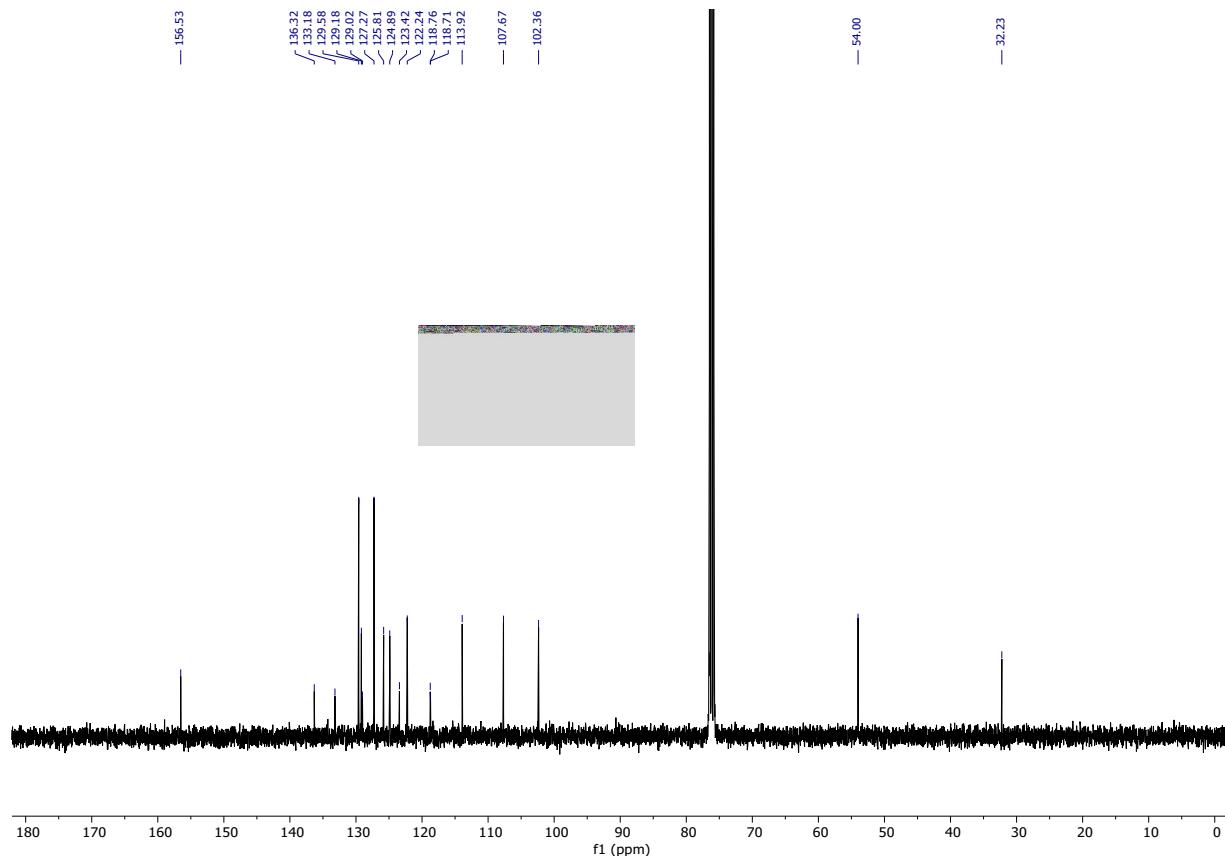
R<sub>f</sub> = 0.50 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:4); **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ (ppm) 7.78 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.56 (m, 3H), 7.50 – 7.43 (m, 3H), 7.41 – 7.35 (m, 2H), 7.04 (s, 1H), 6.99 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 3.92 (s, 3H), 3.55 (s, 3H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ (ppm) 156.53, 136.32, 133.18, 129.58, 129.18, 129.02, 127.27, 125.81, 124.89, 123.42, 122.24, 118.76, 118.71, 113.92, 107.67, 102.36, 54.00, 32.23.

**HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z):** [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NOAg<sup>+</sup> 394.0356, found 394.0352.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **intermediate B** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **intermediate B** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>

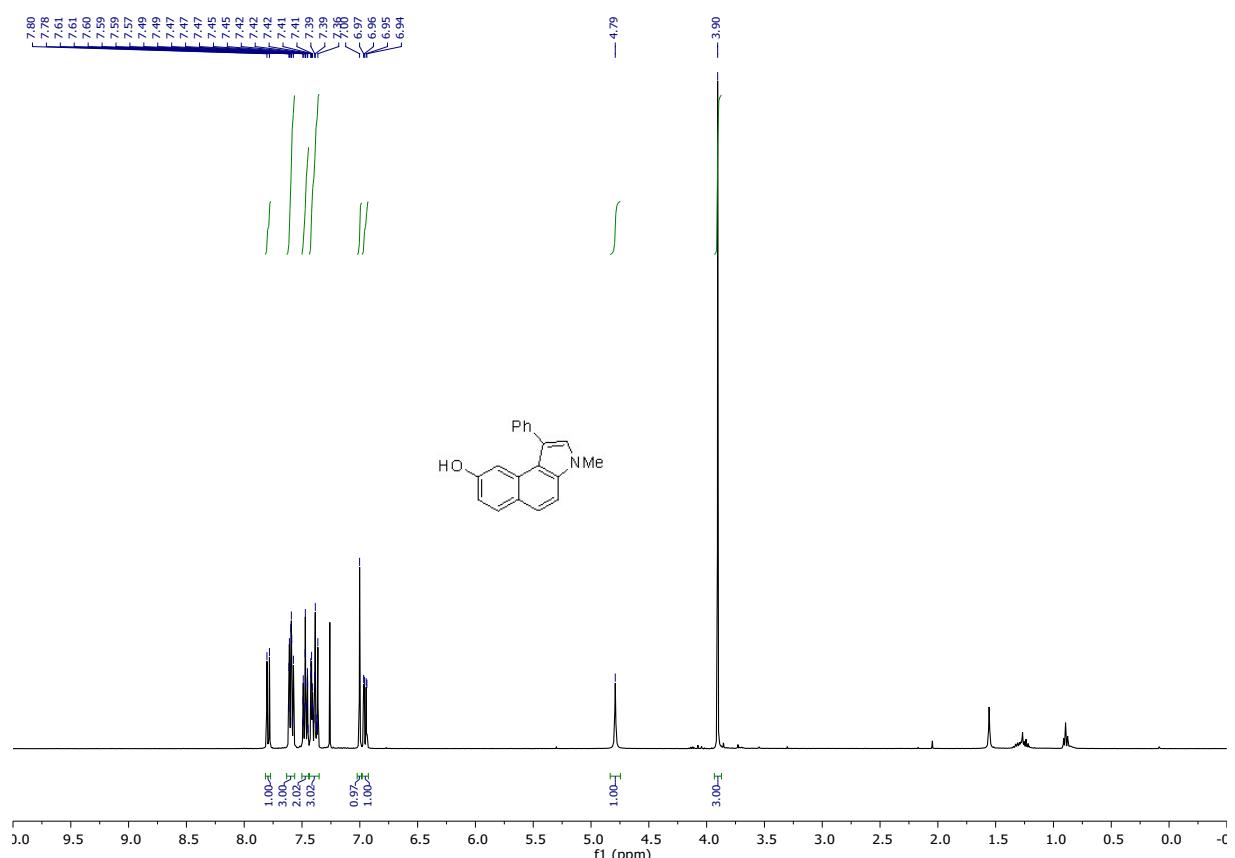


### 3f

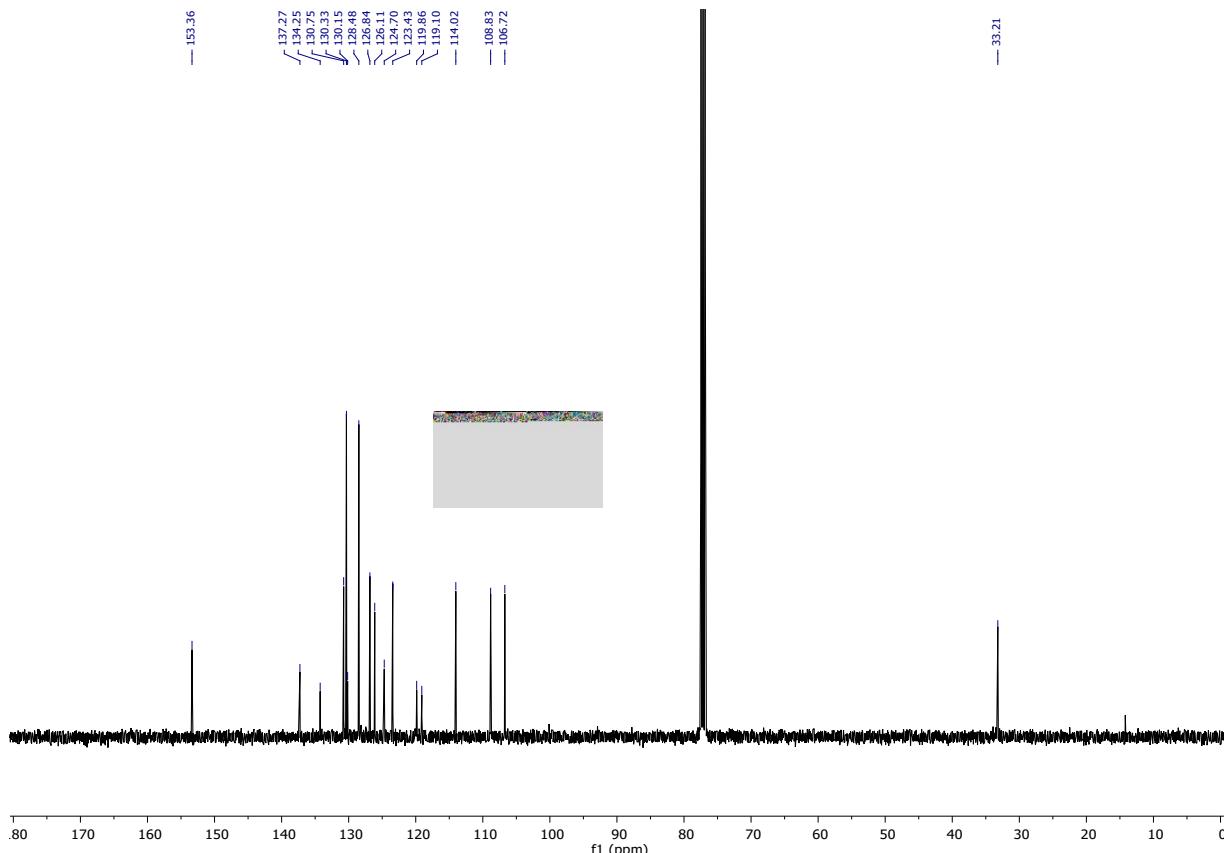
In a dry tube, BBr<sub>3</sub> (1M, 1.15 mL, 1.15 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) was added dropwise to a solution of **intermediate B** (132 mg, 0.46 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in freshly distilled DCM at 0 °C and the dark mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 h. The reaction mixture was then poured into ice-cold water and the aqueous phase was extracted thrice with DCM. The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The crude brown residue was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:4) to yield a yellow solid (90 mg, 0.33 mmol, 72%).

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.26 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:4), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 7.79 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.63 – 7.56 (m, 3H), 7.51 – 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.43 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.00 (s, 1H), 6.95 (dd, J = 8.7, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (s, 1H), 3.90 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 153.4, 137.3, 134.3, 130.8, 130.3, 130.2, 128.5, 126.8, 126.1, 124.7, 123.4, 119.9, 119.1, 114.0, 108.8, 106.7, 33.2. HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NOAg<sup>+</sup>, 380.0199 found 380.0196.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **3f** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **3f** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



e) Preparation of pyrans

7-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)naphthalen-2-ol

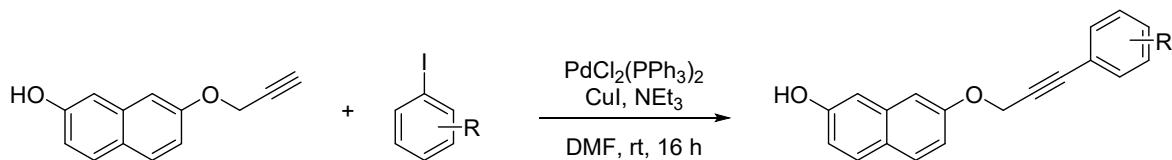


To a cooled (0 °C) mixture of naphthalene-2,7-diol (1.00 g, 6.22 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.04 g, 7.50 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) in DMF (10 mL) was added dropwise the propargyl bromide (0.71 mL, 7.50 mmol, 1.2 equiv., 80% in toluene). The stirring was maintained for 16 h with slow warming to room temperature. The mixture was partitioned between EtOAc and brine. The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. Purification of the crude by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether 0:1 to 1:4) afforded the expected product (651 mg, 3.28 mmol, 53% yield).

The spectroscopic data were in accordance with the reported literature.<sup>16</sup>

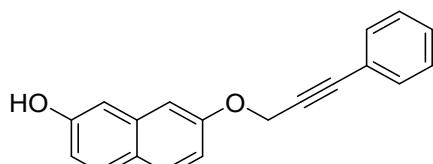
<sup>16</sup> J. Org. Chem. 2020, 85, 7739–7747

General procedure for the Sonogashira coupling



Under inert atmosphere, to a solution of CuI (2 mol%) and  $\text{PdCl}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_2$  (1 mol%) in dry DMF (5 mL/mmol of aryl halide) were added the alkyne (1.2 equiv.),  $\text{NEt}_3$  (20 equiv.) and the aryl halide (1 equiv.). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 16 h and was then partitioned between  $\text{EtOAc}$  and  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  sat. The organic layer was dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , filtered, and concentrated to dryness. Purification of the crude by column chromatography ( $\text{SiO}_2$ , liquid deposit,  $\text{EtOAc}/\text{Petroleum ether}$ ) afforded the expected product.

7-((3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)naphthalen-2-ol

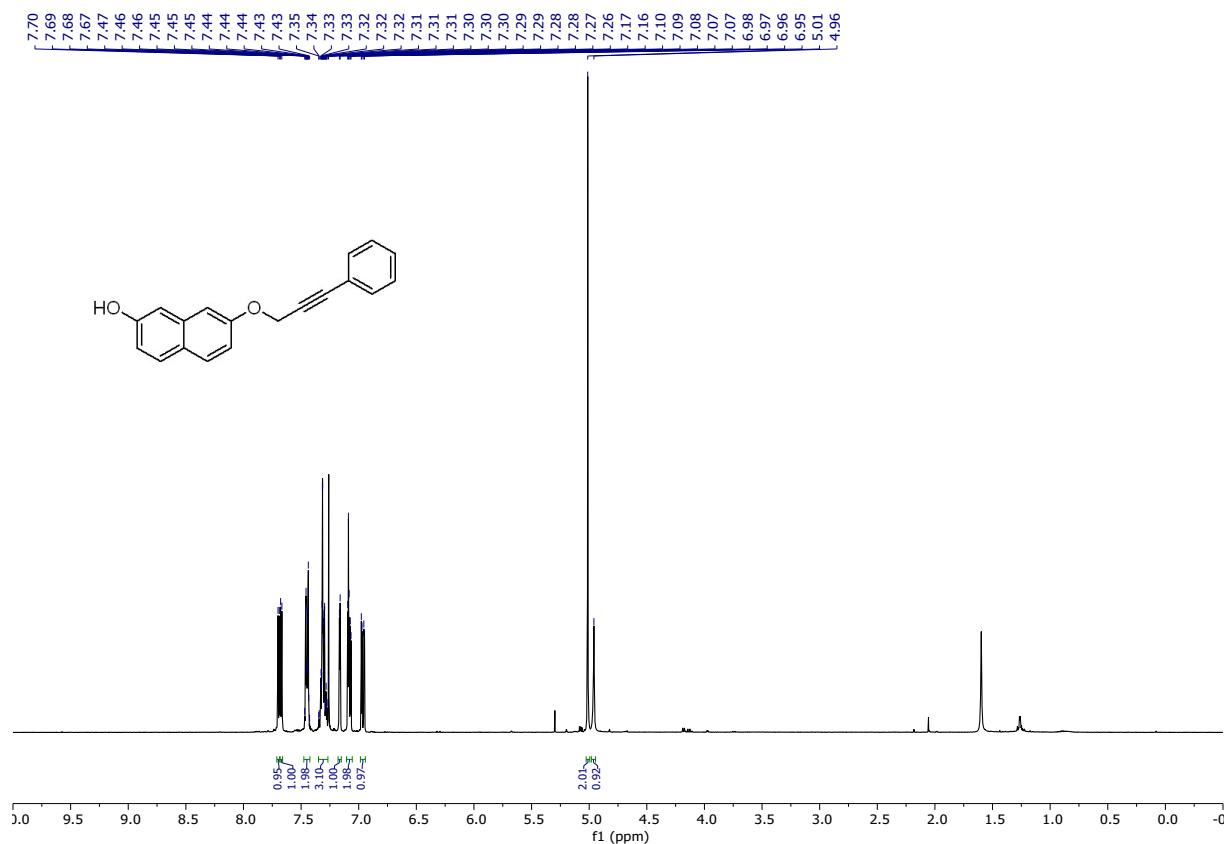


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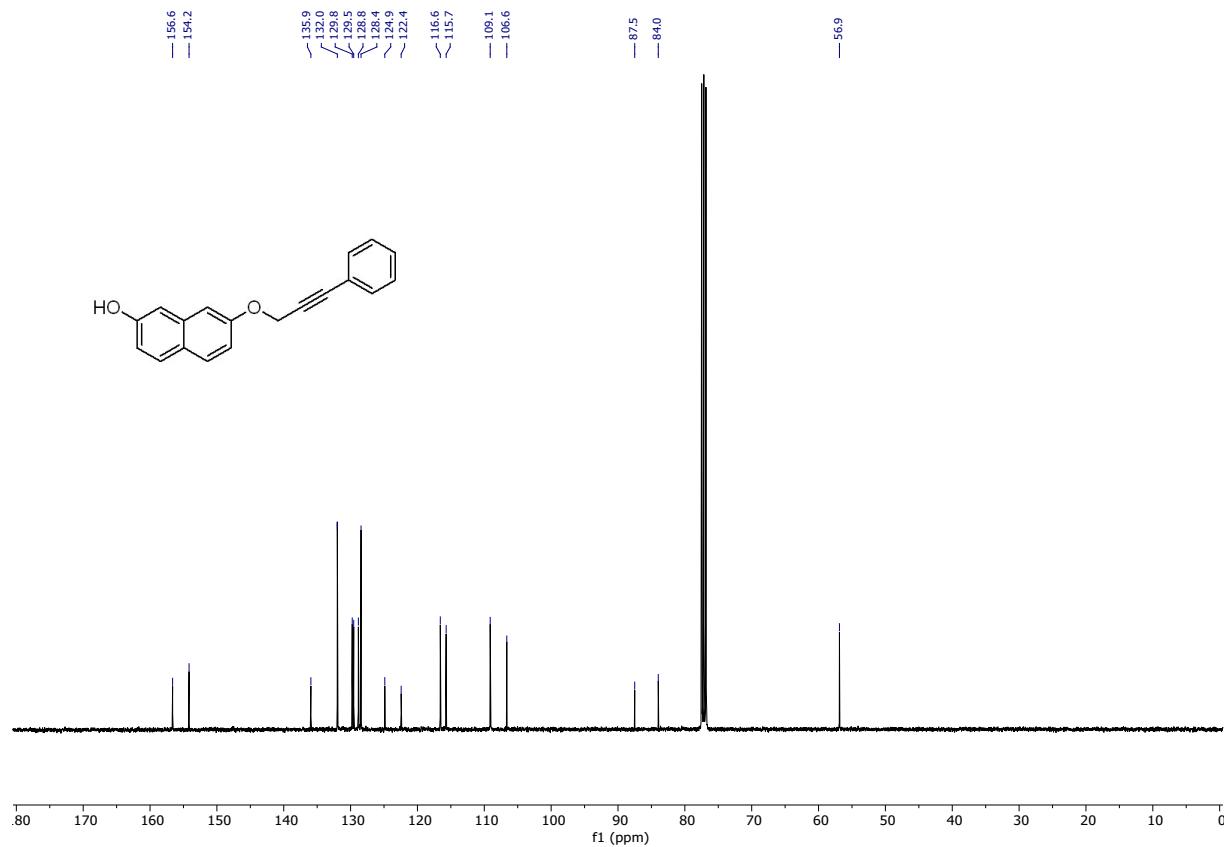
Following the general procedure, starting from iodobenzene (112  $\mu\text{L}$ , 1.0 mmol), 7-(prop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)naphthalen-2-ol (238 mg, 1.2 mmol), 7-((3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)naphthalen-2-ol was obtained as an off-white powder (204 mg, 0.74 mmol, 74% yield).

$R_f = 0.28$  ( $\text{EtOAc}/\text{P.E.} = 1:4$ ),  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.69 (d,  $J = 4.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d,  $J = 4.4$  Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.16 (d,  $J = 2.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.11 – 7.06 (m, 2H), 6.96 (dd,  $J = 8.8$ , 2.5 Hz, 1H), 5.01 (s, 2H), 4.96 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  156.6, 154.1, 135.9, 132.0, 129.7, 129.5, 128.8, 128.4, 124.9, 122.4, 116.6, 115.7, 109.1, 106.6, 87.5, 84.0, 56.9. **MP** = 153.7 °C, **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z)**: [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_2^+$  275.1067, found 275.1067

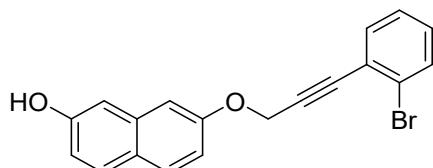
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<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of 7-((3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)naphthalen-2-ol in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



*7-((3-(2-Bromophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)naphthalen-2-ol*

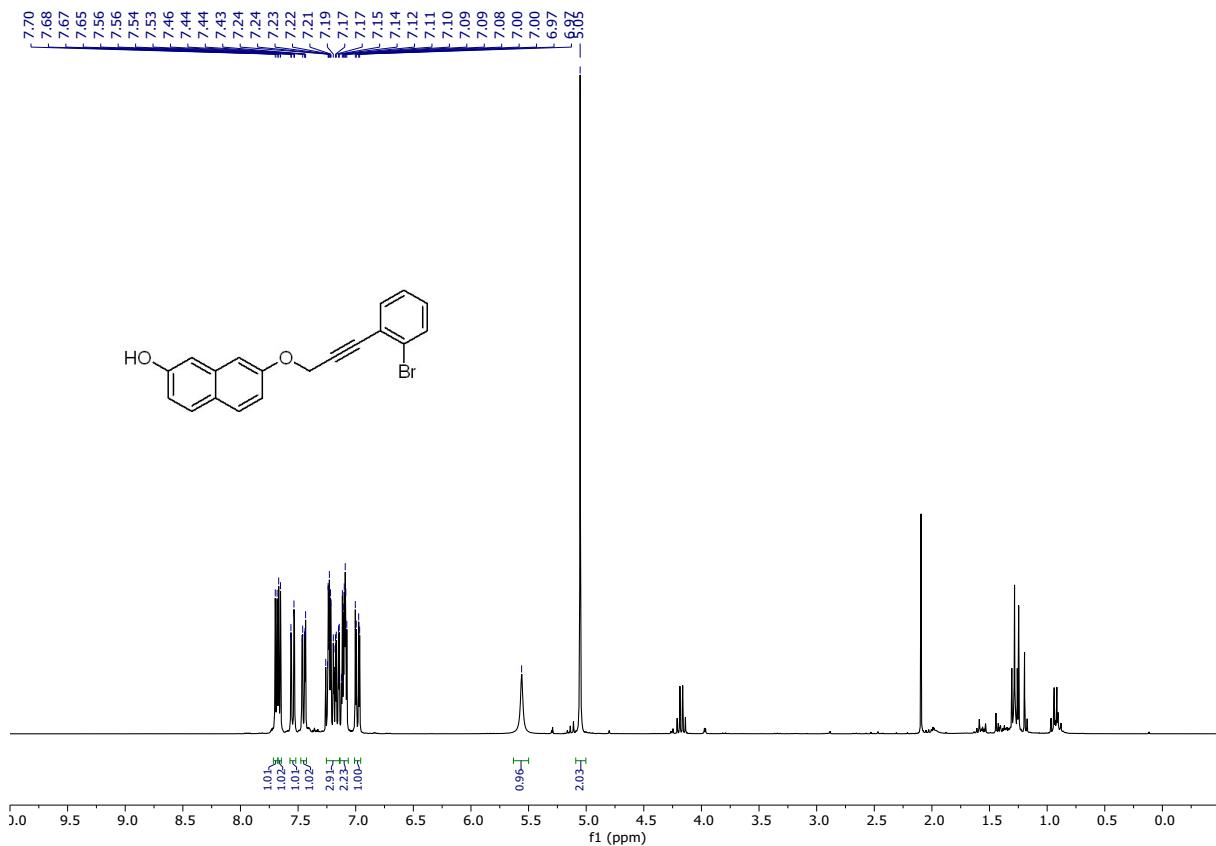


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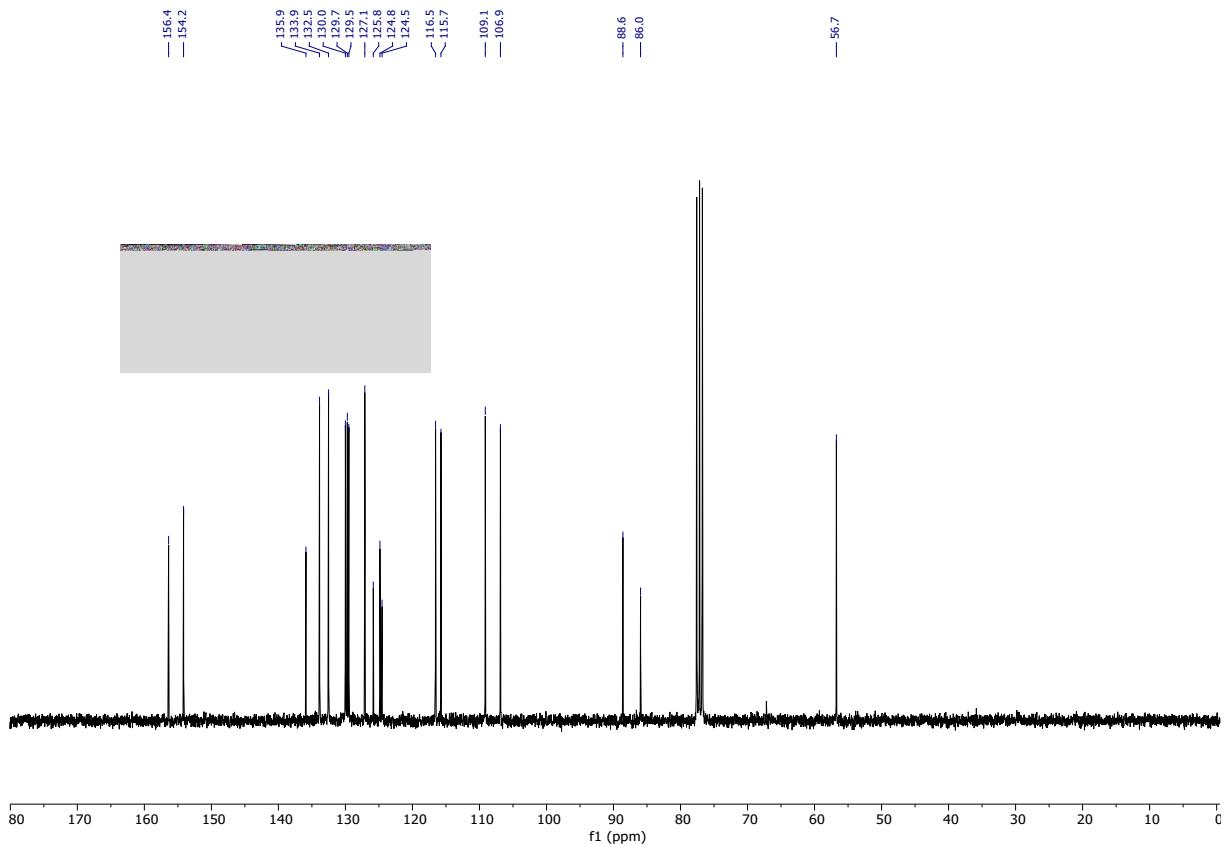
Following the general procedure, starting from 1-bromo-2-iodobenzene (75  $\mu$ L, 0.6 mmol), 7-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)naphthalen-2-ol (125 mg, 0.63 mmol), 7-((3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)naphthalen-2-ol was obtained as an orange oil (136 mg, 0.38 mmol, 61% yield).

$R_f = 0.1$  (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:4)  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.62 (d,  $J = 4.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d,  $J = 4.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.45 (m, 1H), 7.41 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.19 – 7.07 (m, 3H), 7.03 (ddd,  $J = 6.7, 4.6, 2.5$  Hz, 2H), 6.92 (dd,  $J = 8.8, 2.5$  Hz, 1H), 5.49 (s, 1H), 4.99 (s, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  156.4, 154.2, 135.9, 133.9, 132.5, 130.0, 129.7, 129.5, 127.1, 125.8, 124.8, 124.5, 116.5, 115.7, 109.1, 106.9, 88.6, 85.9, 56.7. HRMS-ESI $^+$  ( $m/z$ ): [M+Na] $^+$  calculated for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{13}\text{BrO}_2\text{Na}^+$  374.9991, found 374.9993.

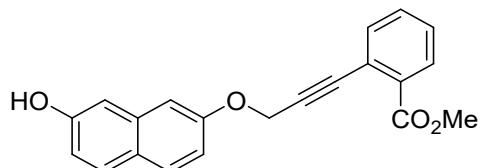
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$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of *7-((3-(2-Bromophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)naphthalen-2-ol* in  $\text{CDCl}_3$



Methyl 2-(3-((7-hydroxynaphthalen-2-yl)oxy)prop-1-yn-1-yl)benzoate

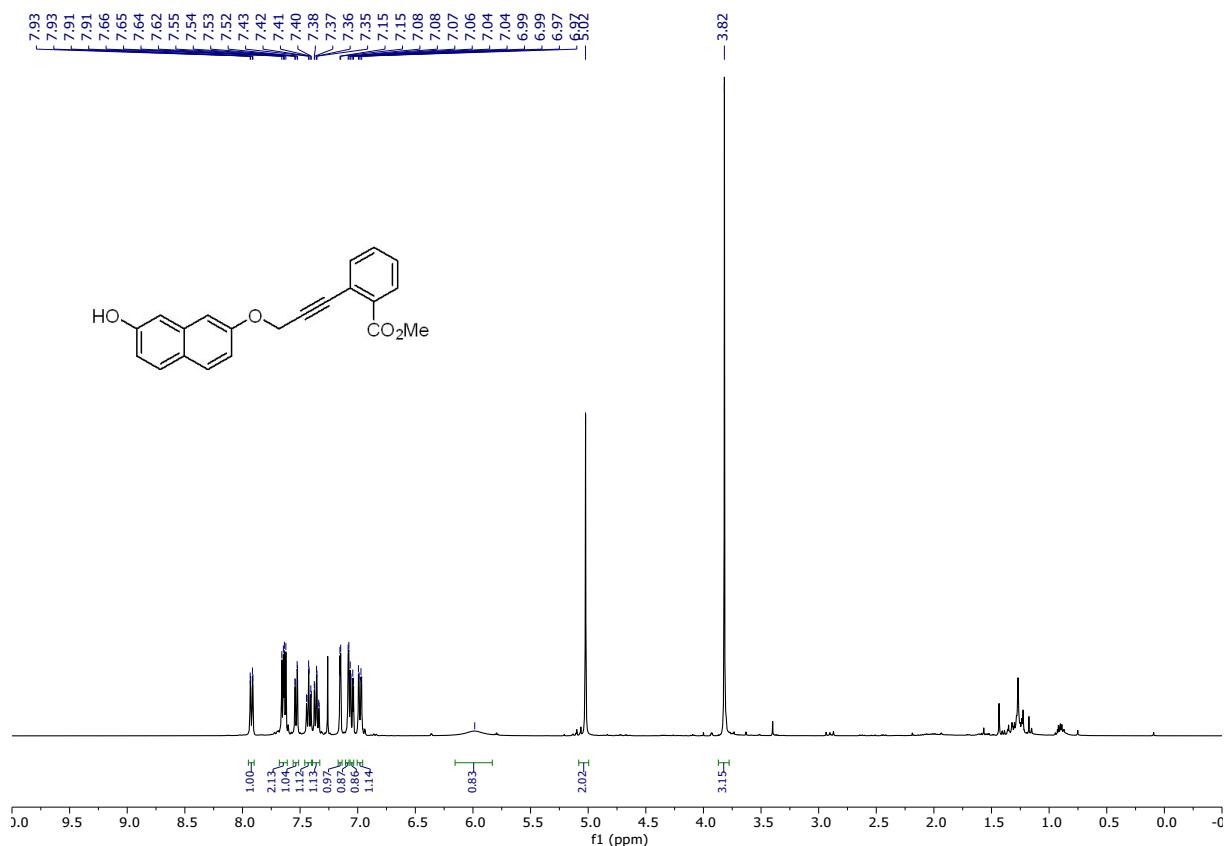


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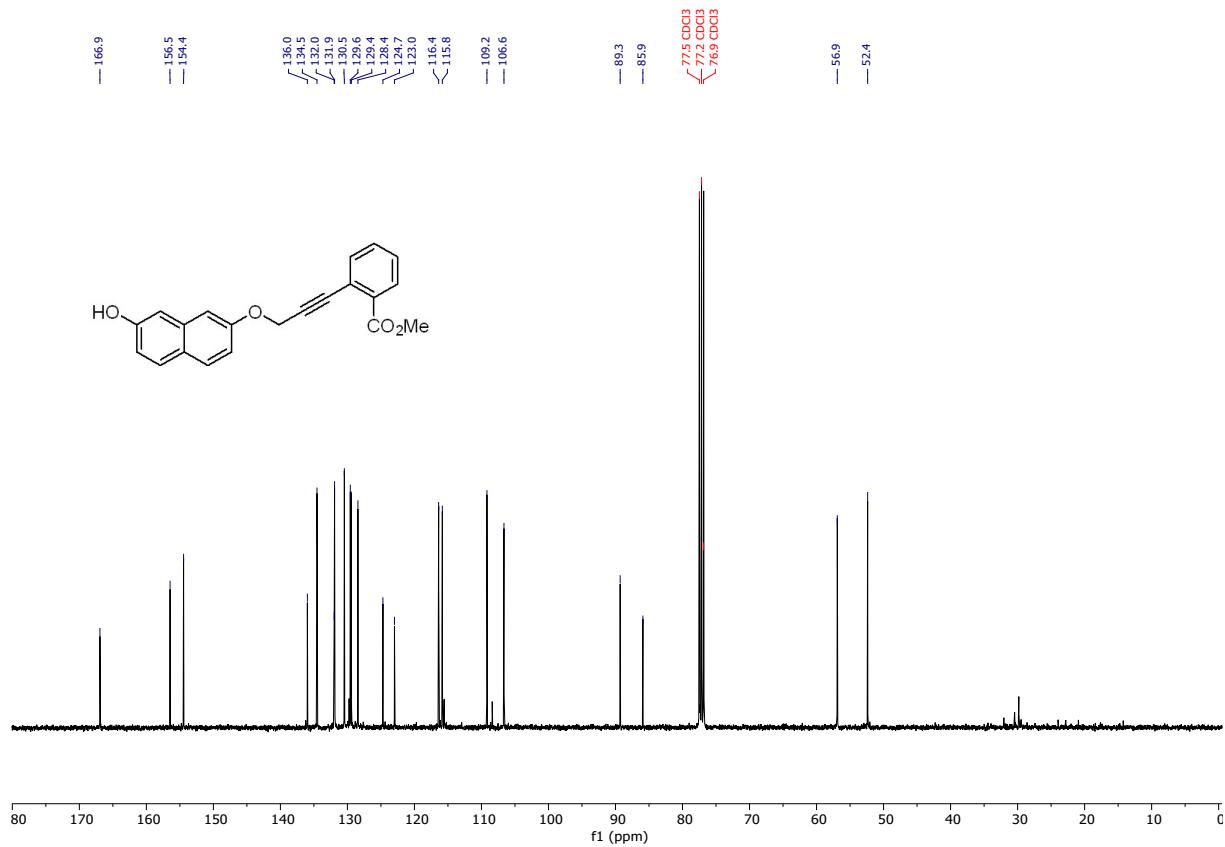
Following the general procedure, starting from methyl 2-iodobenzoate (38 µL, 0.26 mmol) and 7-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)naphthalen-2-ol (59.2 mg, 0.30 mmol), methyl 2-(3-((7-hydroxynaphthalen-2-yl)oxy)prop-1-yn-1-yl)benzoate was obtained as an orange solid (68 mg, 0.20 mmol, 79% yield).

$R_f = 0.26$  (EtOAc/P.E. = 1:4) **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.92 (dd, *J* = 7.8, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (dd, *J* = 8.8, 5.3 Hz, 2H), 7.53 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.10 – 7.03 (m, 2H), 6.98 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.00 (s, 1H), 5.02 (s, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H). **13C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 166.9, 156.4, 154.4, 135.9, 134.5, 131.9(7), 131.9(2), 130.4, 129.6, 129.4, 128.4, 124.7, 123.0, 116.4, 115.8, 109.2, 106.6, 89.3, 85.9, 56.9, 52.4. **MP** = 170.1 °C, **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup>** (*m/z*): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> 355.0941, found 355.0939.

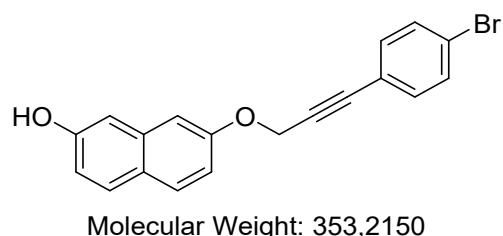
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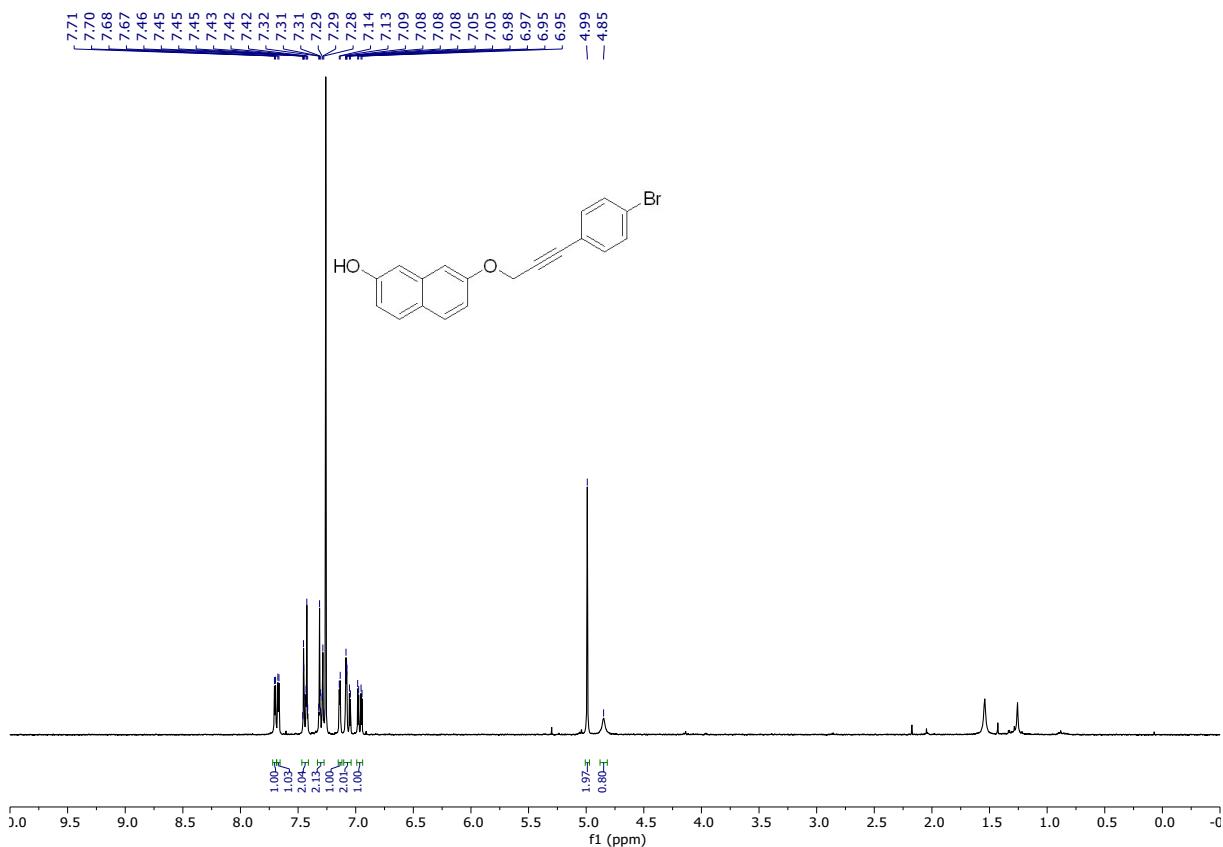
*7-((3-(4-Bromophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)naphthalen-2-ol*



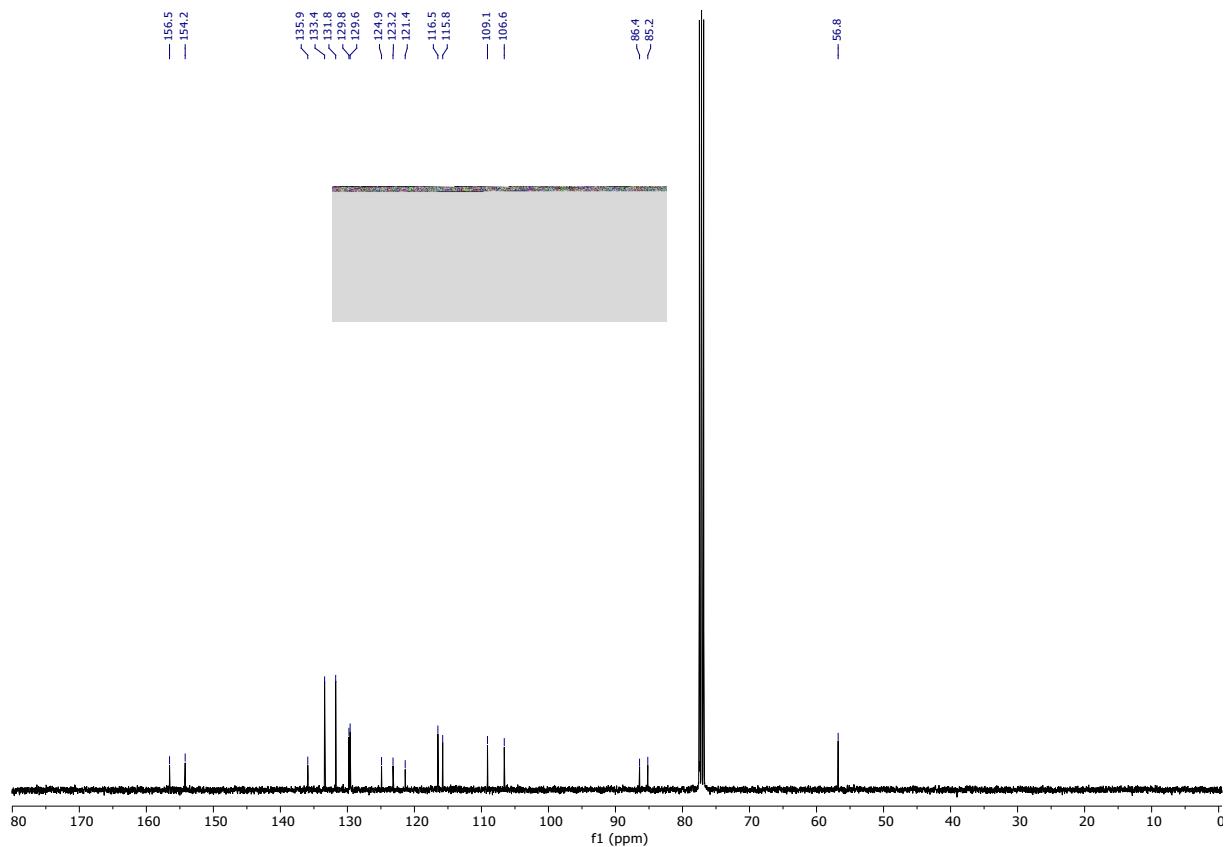
Following the general procedure, starting from 1-bromo-4-iodobenzene (100 mg, 0.36 mmol), 7-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)naphthalen-2-ol (62.5 mg, 0.31 mmol), the product was obtained as white oil (82.0 mg, 0.23 mmol, 75% yield).

$R_f = 0.6$  (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:4)  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.70 (d,  $J = 2.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.67 (d,  $J = 2.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.44 (dd,  $J = 8.7, 2.2$  Hz, 2H), 7.30 (dd,  $J = 8.6, 2.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d,  $J = 2.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.10 – 7.04 (m, 2H), 6.96 (dd,  $J = 8.8, 2.5$  Hz, 1H), 4.99 (s, 2H), 4.85 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  156.5, 154.2, 135.9, 133.4, 131.7, 129.8, 129.6, 124.9, 123.2, 121.4, 116.5, 115.8, 109.1, 106.6, 86.4, 85.2, 56.8 .MP = 177.1°C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calculated for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{13}\text{BrO}_2\text{Na}^+$  374.9991, found 374.9990.

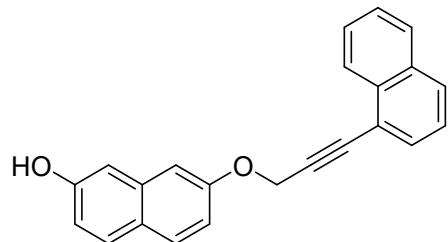
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$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of 7-((3-(4-Bromophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)naphthalen-2-ol in  $\text{CDCl}_3$



7-((3-(naphthalen-1-yl)prop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)naphthalen-2-ol

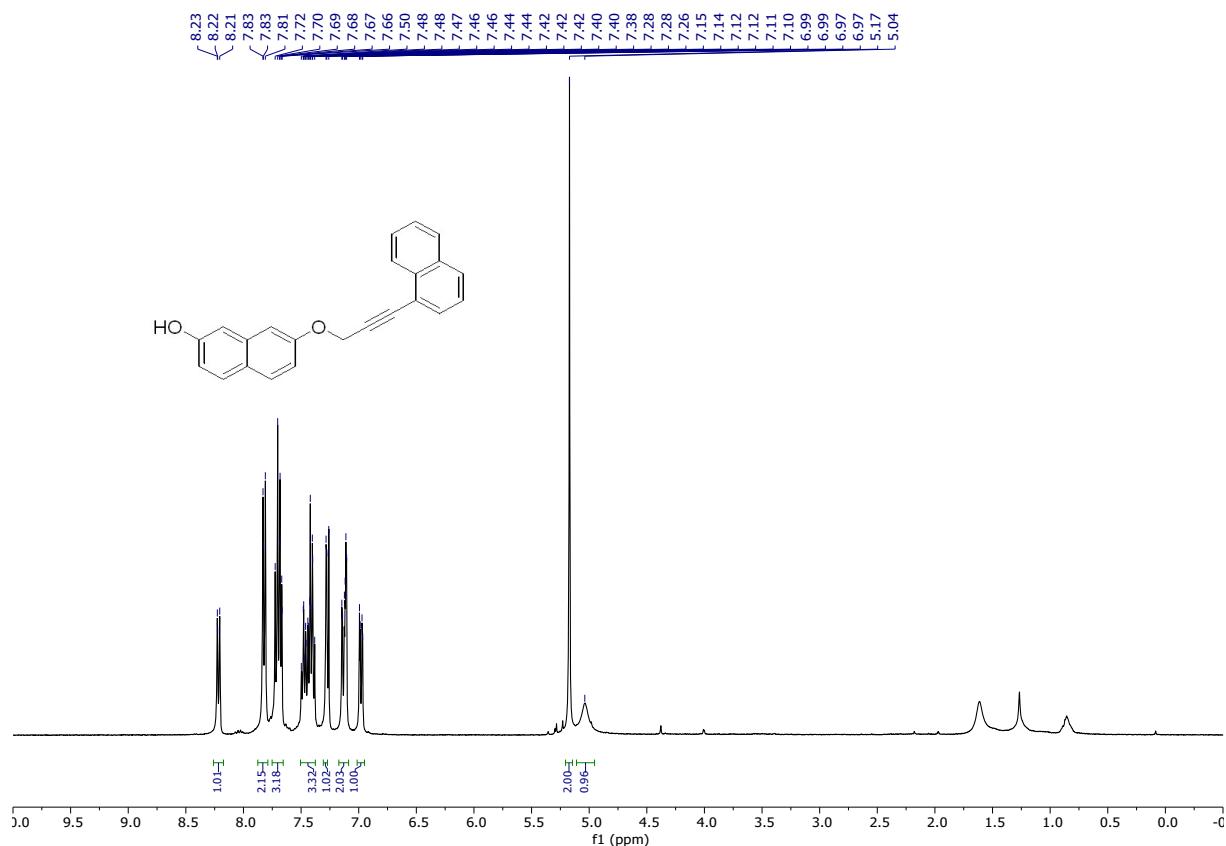


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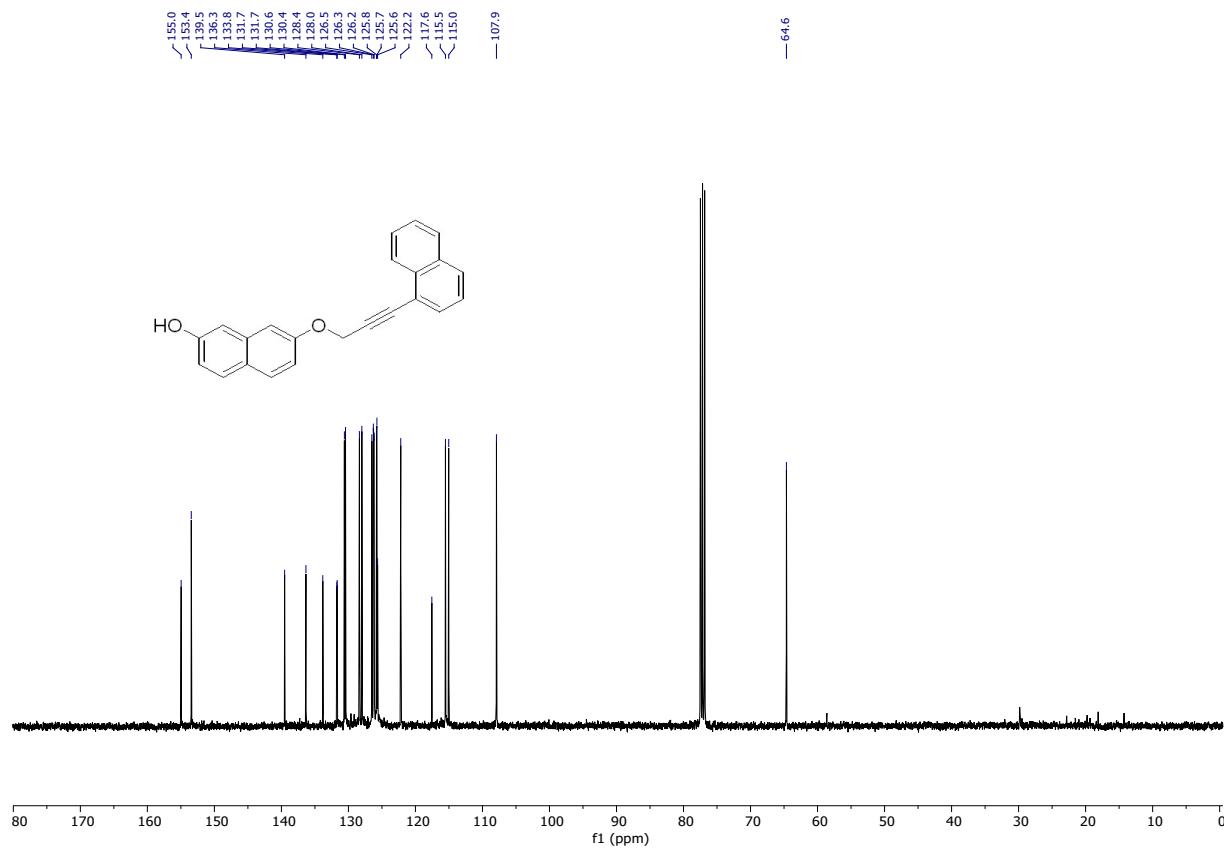
Following the general procedure, starting from 1- iodonaphthalene (175  $\mu$ L, 1.2 mmol), 7-(prop-2-yn-1-yloxy)naphthalen-2-ol (187.5 mg, 0.94 mmol), 7-((3-(naphthalen-1-yl)prop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)naphthalen-2-ol was obtained as an off-white solid (224 mg, 0.69 mmol, 73% yield).

$R_f$  = 0.52 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether 1:4)  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  8.22 (d,  $J$  = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d,  $J$  = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.75 – 7.66 (m, 3H), 7.52 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.28 (d,  $J$  = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.17 – 7.07 (m, 2H), 6.98 (dd,  $J$  = 8.7, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (s, 2H), 5.03 (s, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  156.6, 154.2, 135.9, 133.5, 133.2, 130.9, 129.8, 129.6, 129.3, 128.4, 127.0, 126.6, 126.2, 125.2, 124.9, 120.0, 116.7, 115.7, 109.1, 107.0, 88.8, 85.8, 57.0. MP = 134.9°C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> ( $m/z$ ): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for  $C_{23}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_2\text{Ag}^+$  431.0196, found 431.0193.

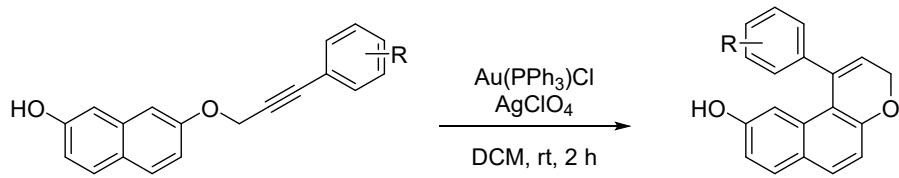
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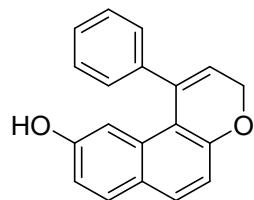


General procedure for the hydroarylation



Under inert atmosphere, a mixture of Au(PPh<sub>3</sub>)Cl (5 mol%) and AgClO<sub>4</sub> (10 mol%) in dry DCM (0.1 M) was stirred for 15 min. The naphthol (1 equiv.) was added and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for two hours. The brownish solution was concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether) to afford the desired compound.

1-Phenyl-3H-benzof[f]chromen-9-ol (3h)

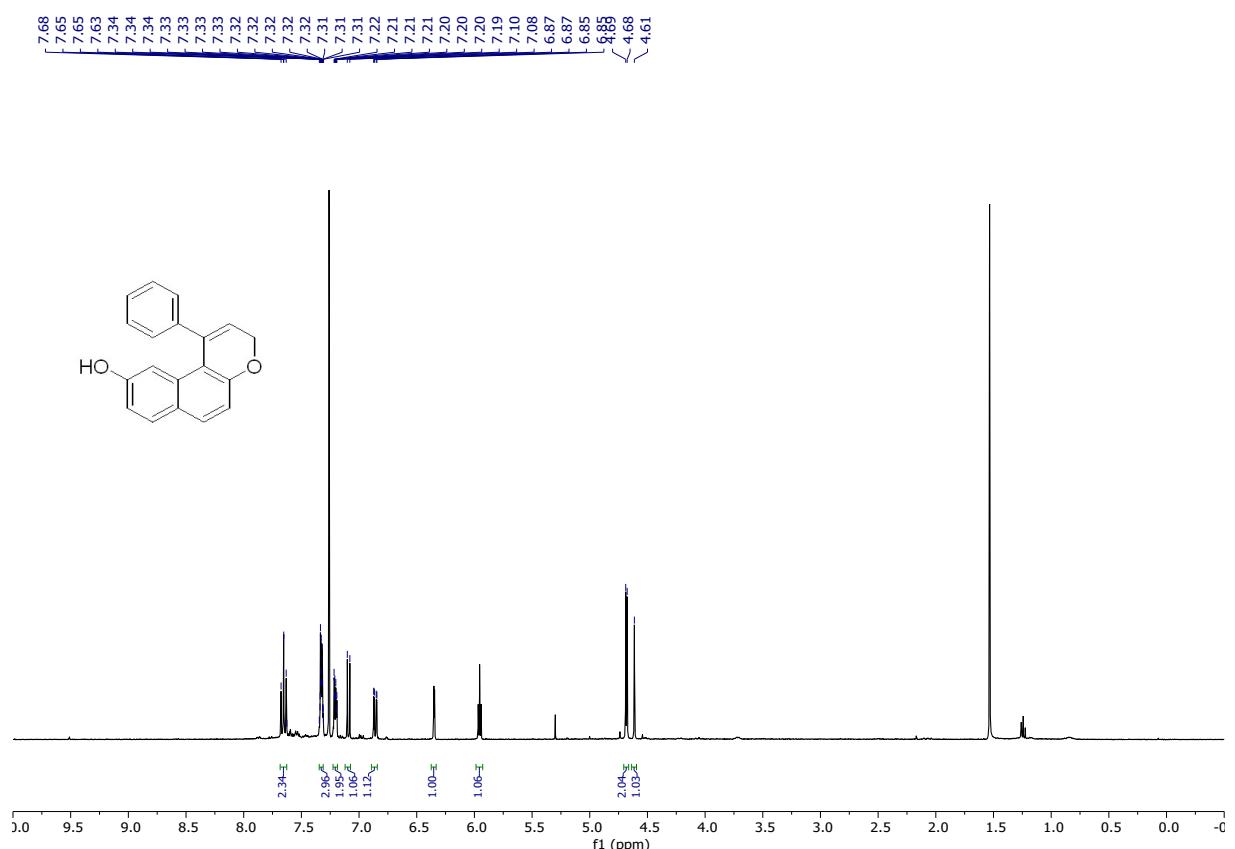


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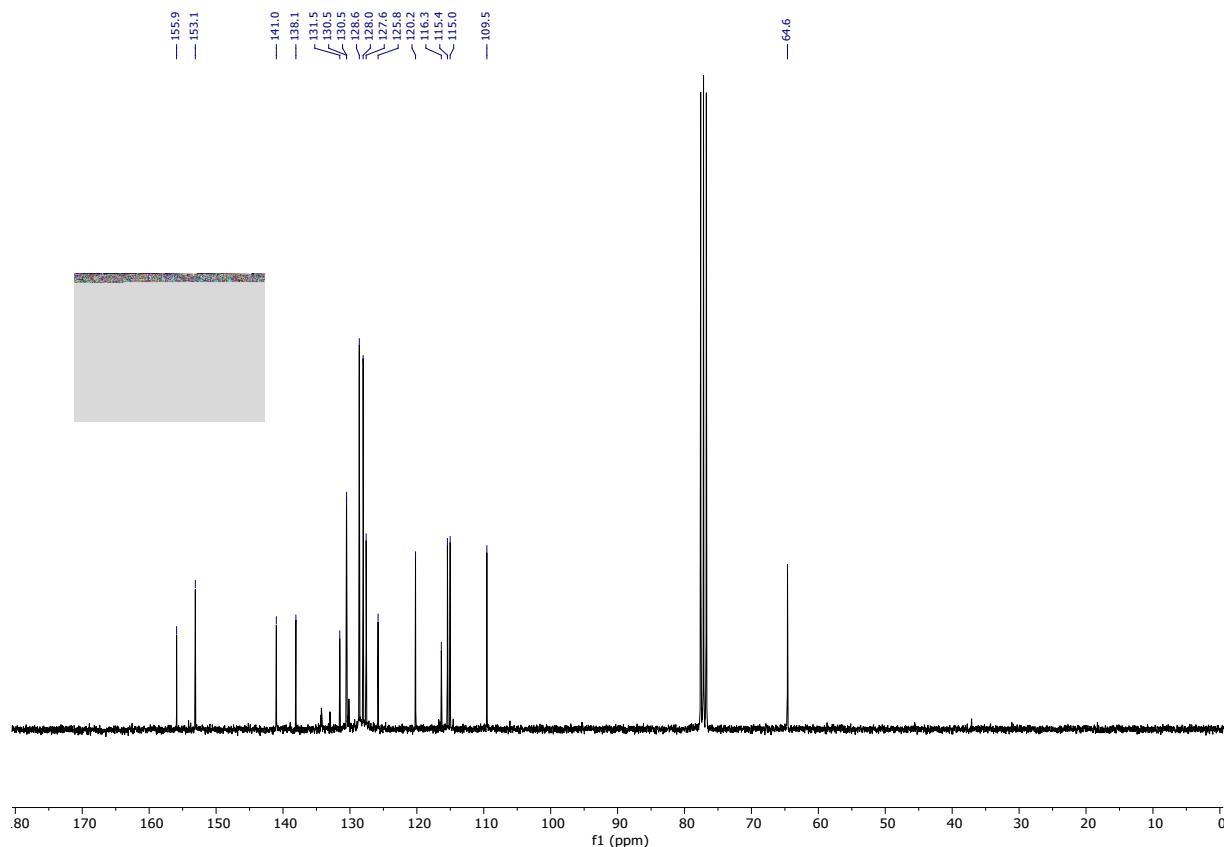
Following the general procedure, starting from 7-((3-Phenylprop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)naphthalen-2-ol (204 mg, 0.74 mmol), the product was obtained as light pink solid (168 mg, 0.62 mmol, 82% yield).

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.48 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:4) <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.68 – 7.63 (m, 2H), 7.35 – 7.31 (m, 3H), 7.23 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 7.09 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.35 (dt, J = 2.5, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 5.95 (t, J = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 4.68 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 2H), 4.61 (s, 1H), <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 155.9, 153.1, 141.0, 138.1, 131.5, 130.5, 130.5, 128.6, 128.0, 127.6, 125.8, 120.2, 116.3, 115.4, 115.0, 109.5, 64.6. MP = 96.8 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>15</sub>O<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> 275.1067, found 275.1069

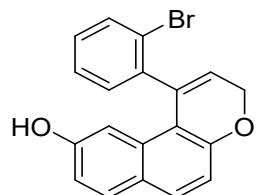
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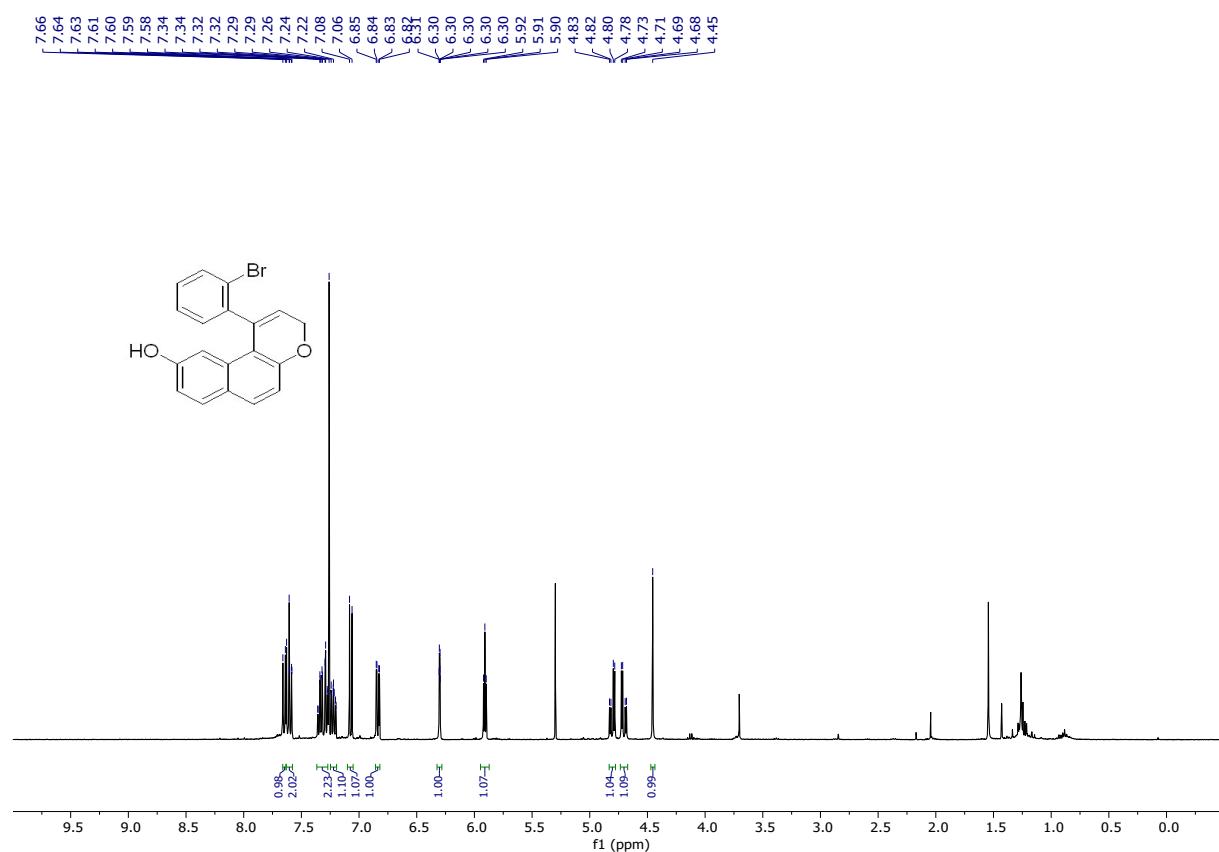


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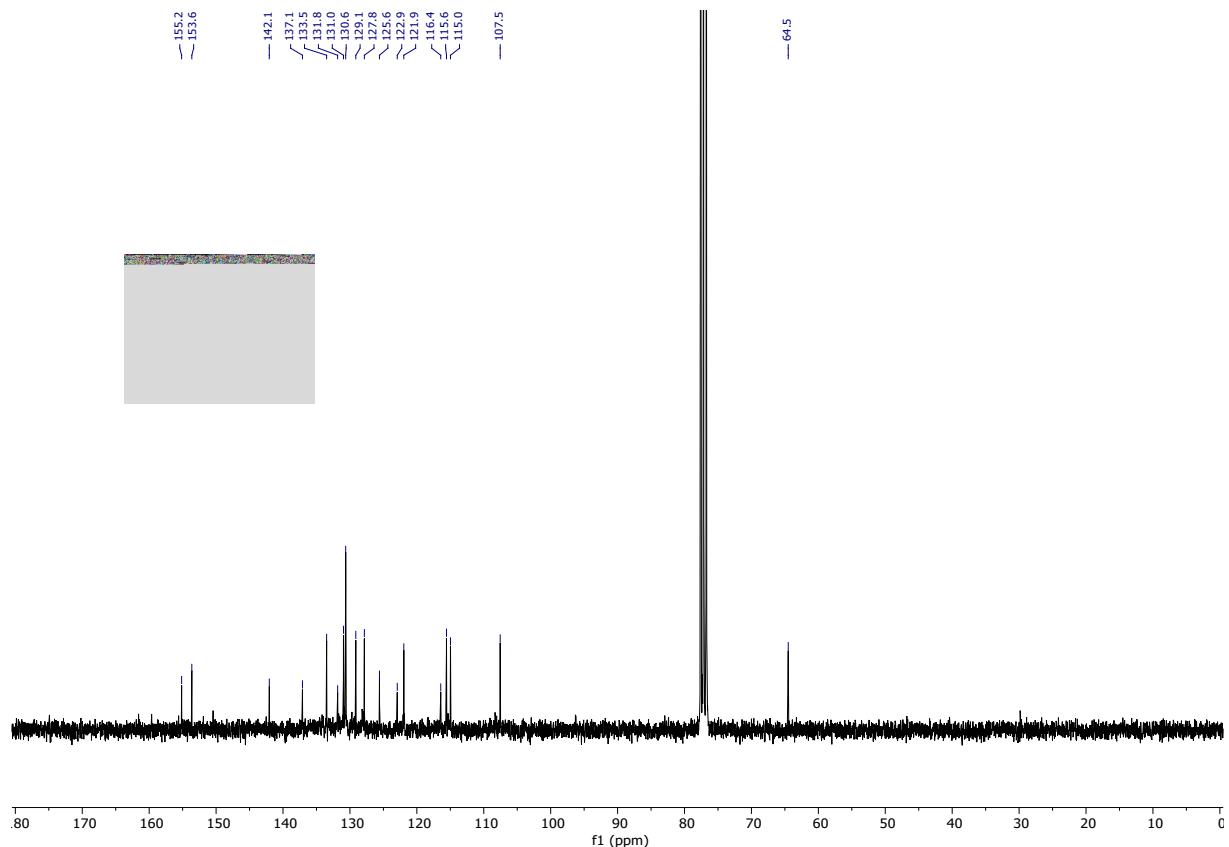
Following the general procedure, starting from 7-((3-(2-Bromophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)naphthalen-2-ol (136 mg, 0.38 mmol), the product was obtained as bright red solid (101 mg, 0.28 mmol, 74% yield).

$R_f$  = 0.57 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9)  **$^1\text{H}$  NMR** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.65 (d,  $J$  = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.63 – 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.37 – 7.27 (m, 2H), 7.22 (ddd,  $J$  = 7.9, 7.1, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (dd,  $J$  = 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.30 (dt,  $J$  = 2.4, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 5.91 (t,  $J$  = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (dd,  $J$  = 13.3, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (dd,  $J$  = 13.3, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 4.45 (s, 1H).,  **$^{13}\text{C}$  NMR** (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  155.2, 153.6, 142.1, 137.1, 133.5, 131.8, 131.0, 130.6 (2C), 129.1, 127.8, 125.6, 122.9, 121.9, 116.4, 115.6, 115.0, 107.5, 64.5. **MP** = 101.2 – 102.4 °C. **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z):** [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calculated for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{13}\text{BrO}_2\text{Na}^+$  374.9991, found 374.9966

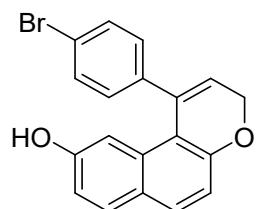
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**1-(4-bromophenyl)-3H-benzo[f]chromen-9-ol (3j)**

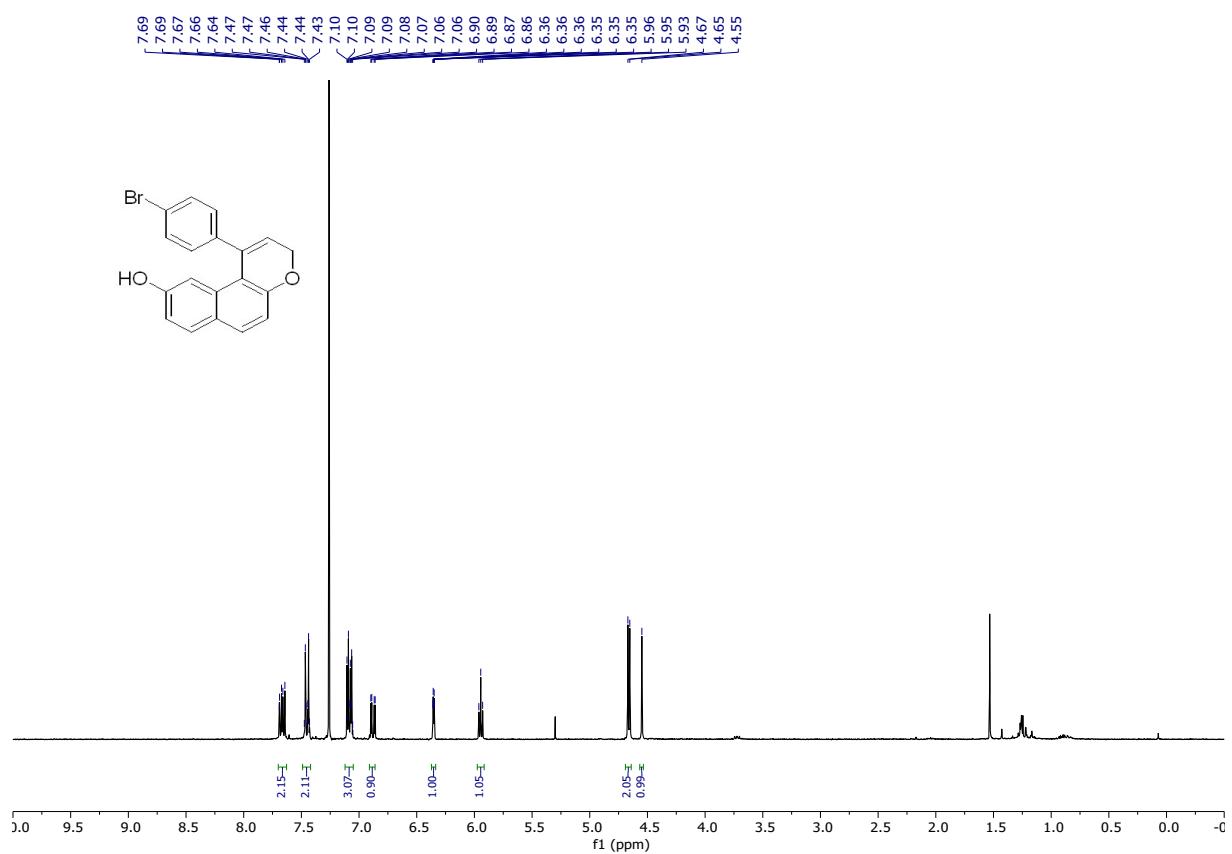


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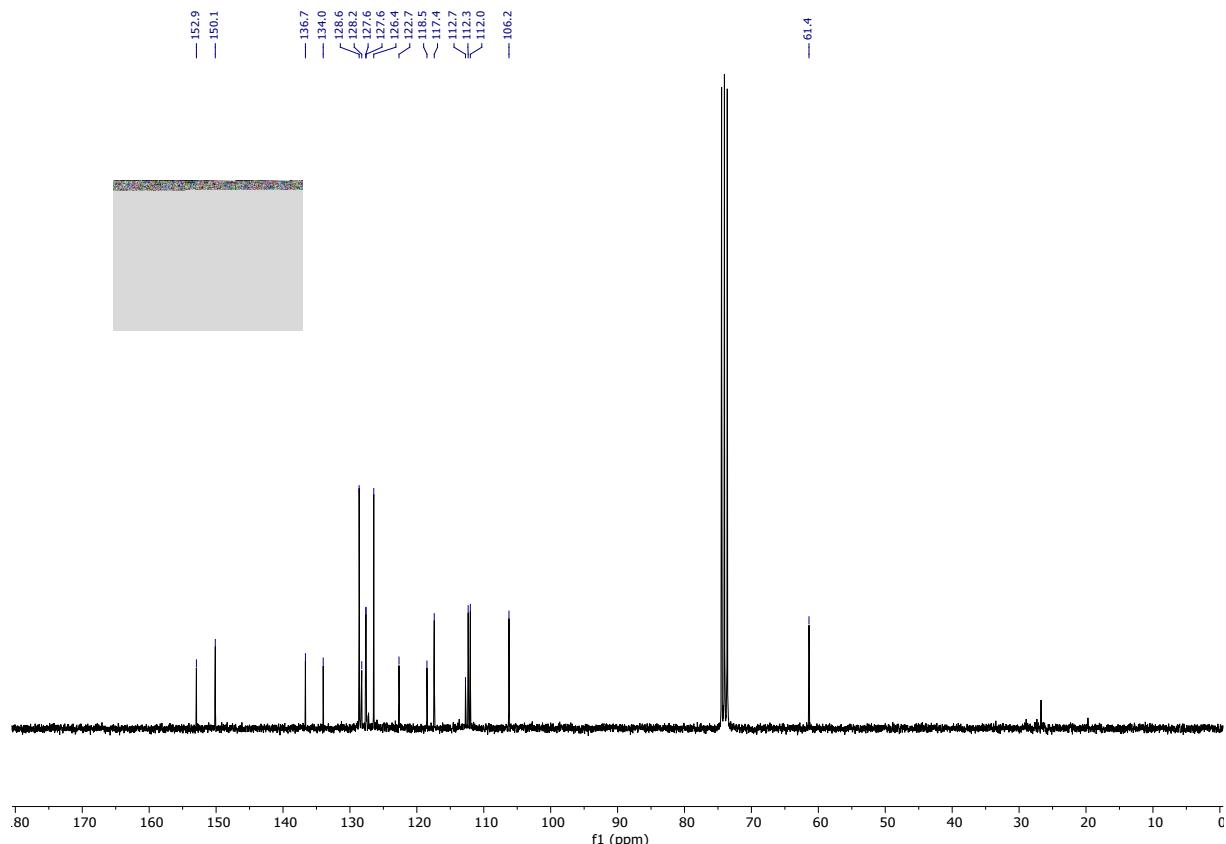
Following the general procedure, starting from 7-((3-(4-Bromophenyl)prop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)naphthalen-2-ol (154 mg, 0.43 mmol), the product was obtained as pale pink solid (142 mg, 0.40 mmol, 92% yield).

$R_f = 0.32$  (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:4) **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.67 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 5.2 Hz, 2H), 7.49 – 7.42 (m, 2H), 7.12 – 7.05 (m, 3H), 6.91 – 6.86 (m, 1H), 6.35 (dt, *J* = 2.5, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 5.95 (t, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 2H), 4.55 (s, 1H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 152.9, 150.1, 136.7, 134.0, 128.6, 128.2, 127.6, 127.6, 126.4, 122.7, 118.5, 117.4, 112.7, 112.3, 112.0, 106.2, 61.4. **MP** = 188.6 °C **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z):** [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>13</sub>BrO<sub>2</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> 374.9991, found 374.9988.

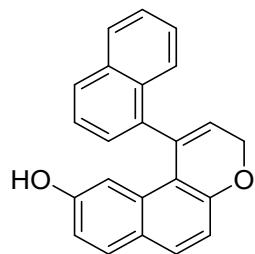
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1-(naphthalen-1-yl)-3H-benzo[f]chromen-9-ol (**3l**)

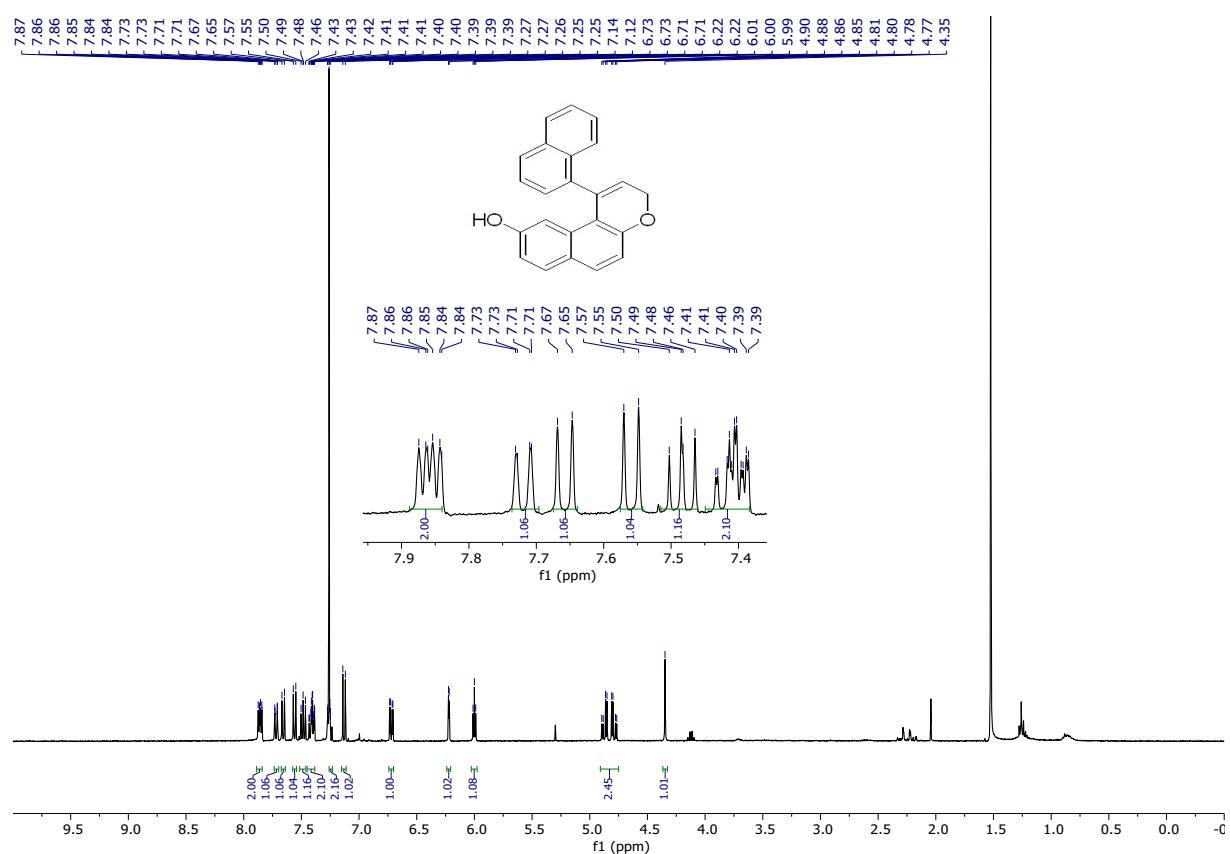


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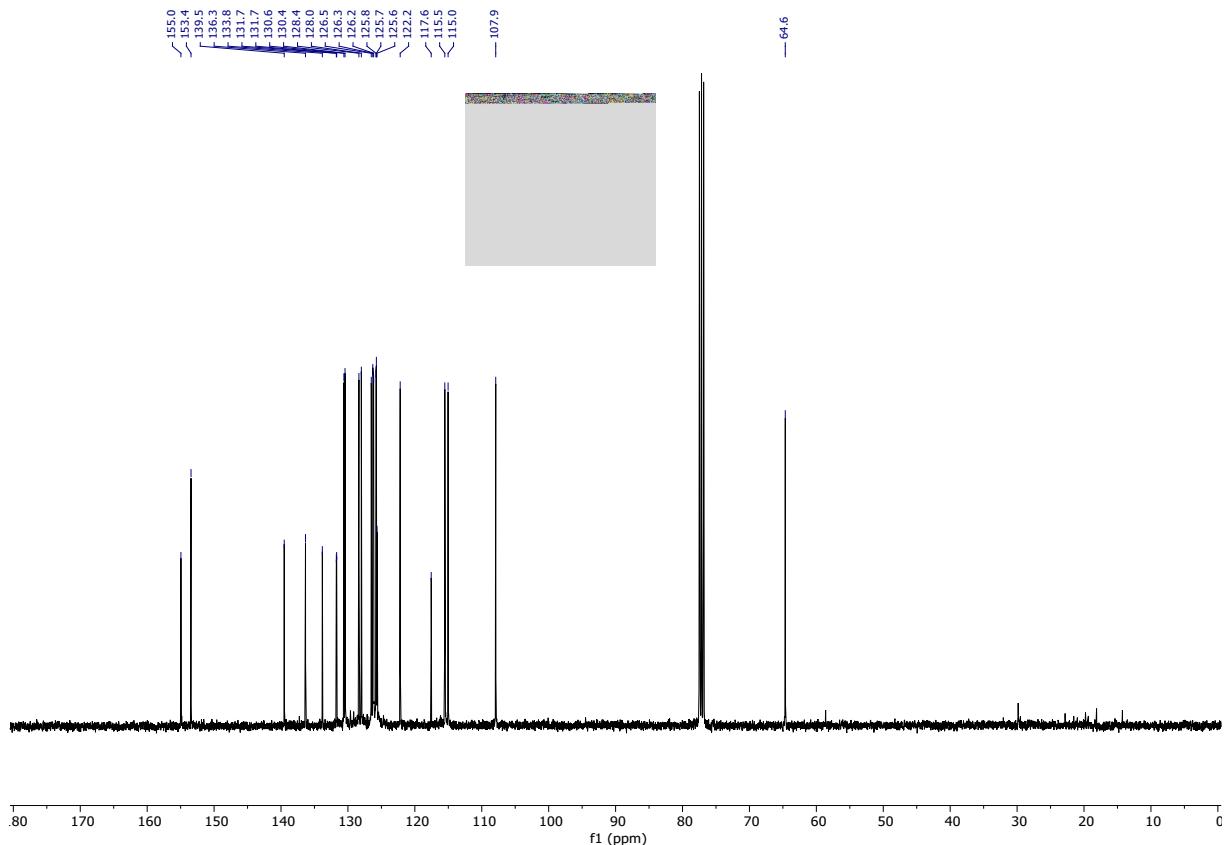
Following the general procedure, starting from 7-((3-(naphthalen-1-yl)prop-2-yn-1-yl)oxy)naphthalen-2-ol (100 mg, 0.30 mmol), the product was obtained as yellowish solid (68 mg, 0.21 mmol, 68% yield).

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.41 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 15:85) <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.89 – 7.83 (m, 2H), 7.74 – 7.70 (m, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (dd, J = 8.2, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 7.44 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.24 (dd, J = 6.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.22 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.00 (t, J = 4.7 Hz, 1H), 4.87 (dd, J = 13.2, 4.9 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (dd, J = 13.2, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 155.0, 153.4, 139.5, 136.3, 133.8, 131.7, 131.7, 130.6, 130.4, 128.4, 128.0, 126.5, 126.3, 126.2, 125.8, 125.7, 125.6, 122.2, 117.5, 115.5, 115.0, 107.9, 64.6. MP = 147.9°C HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 431.0196, found 431.0198.

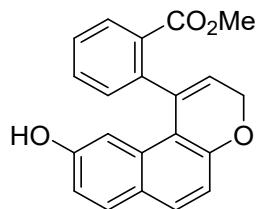
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **3I** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **3I** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



methyl 2-(9-hydroxy-3H-benzo[f]chromen-1-yl)benzoate (**3i**)

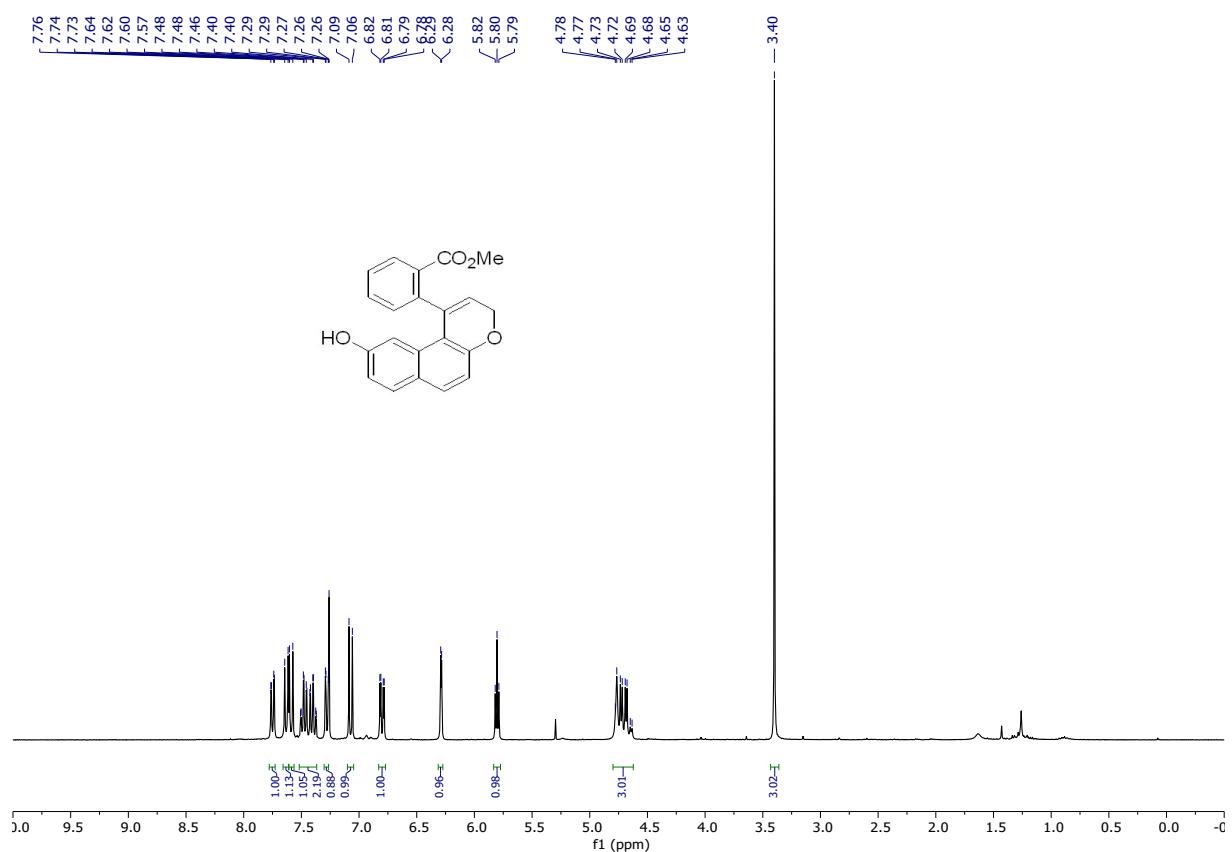


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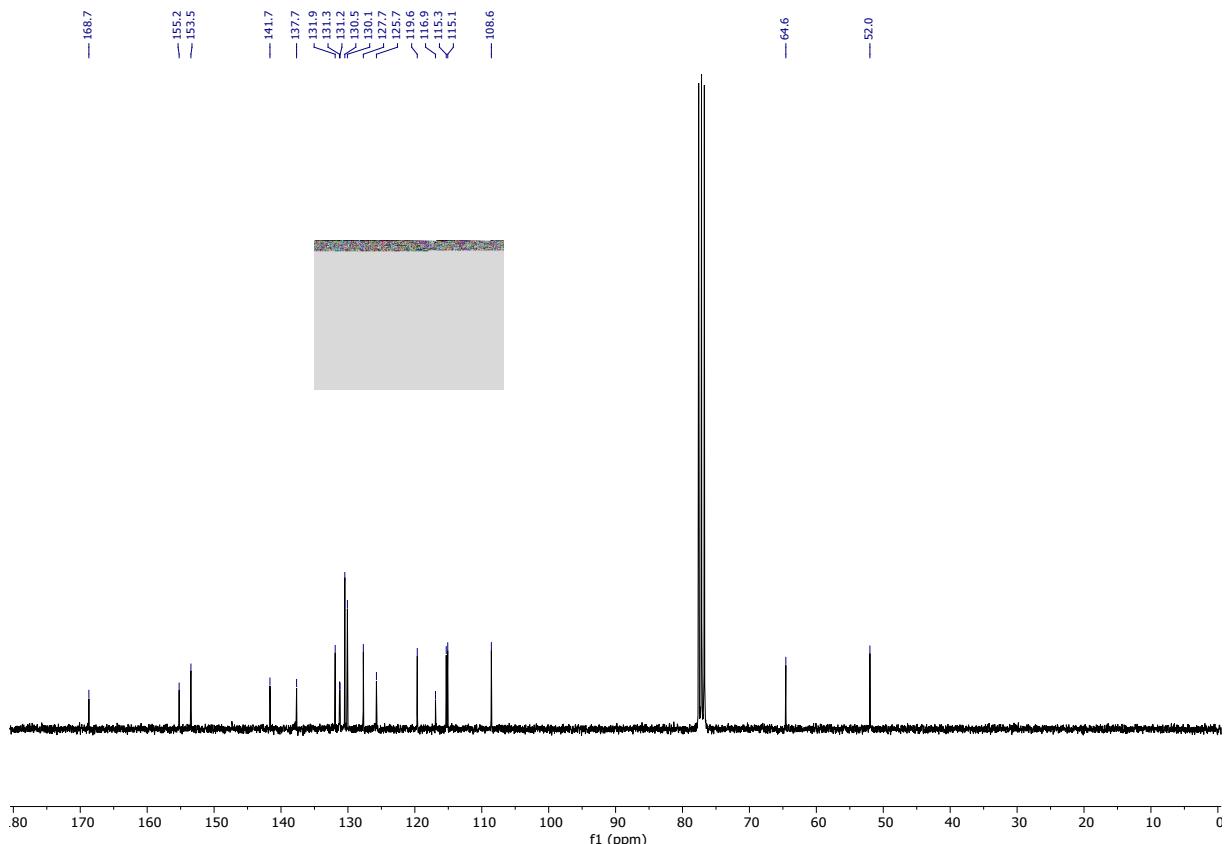
Following the general procedure, starting from methyl 2-((7-hydroxynaphthalen-2-yl)oxy)prop-1-yn-1-yl)benzoate (58 mg, 0.17 mmol), the product was obtained as pale pink solid (38 mg, 0.11 mmol, 65% yield).

$R_f = 0.30$  (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:4) **<sup>1</sup>H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.75 (dd,  $J = 7.7, 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.44 (dtd,  $J = 24.5, 7.5, 1.5$  Hz, 2H), 7.30 – 7.26 (m, 1H), 7.07 (d,  $J = 8.7$  Hz, 1H), 6.80 (dd,  $J = 8.8, 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 6.29 (d,  $J = 2.4$  Hz, 1H), 5.80 (t,  $J = 4.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.80 – 4.62 (m, 3H), 3.40 (s, 3H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  168.7, 155.2, 153.5, 141.7, 137.7, 131.9, 131.3, 131.2, 130.5(2C), 130.1(2C), 127.7, 125.7, 119.6, 116.9, 115.3, 115.1, 108.6, 64.6, 52.0. **MP** = 165.5°C, **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z):** [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> 355.0941, found 355.0944.

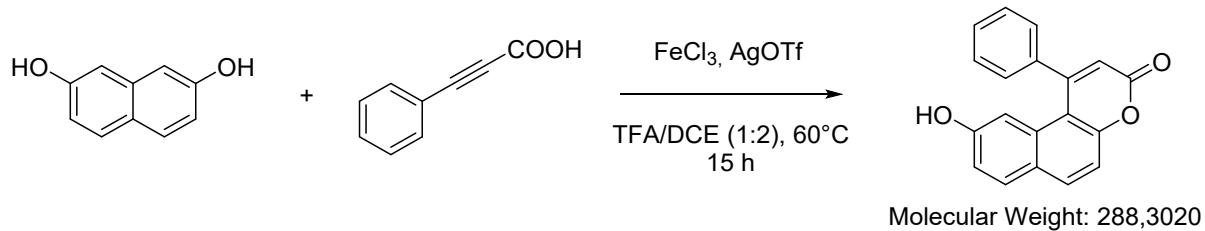
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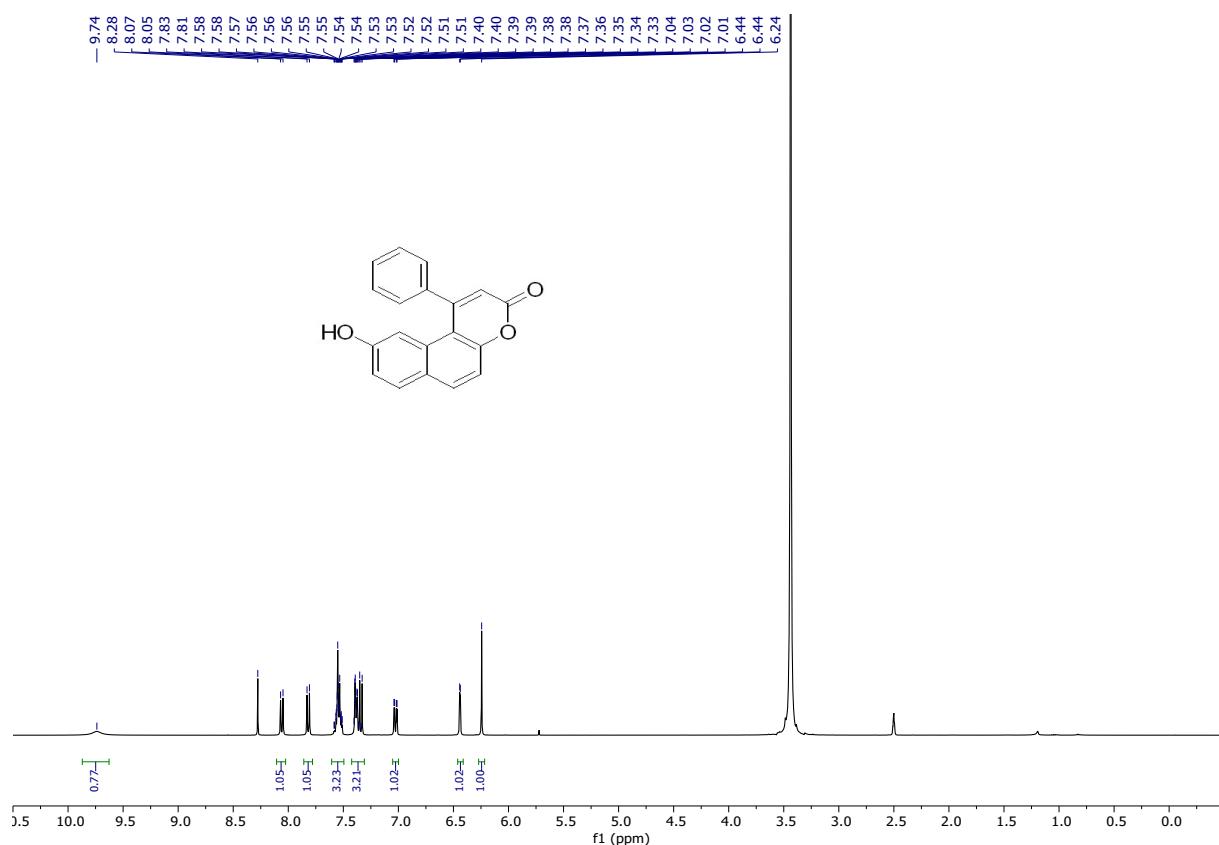
9-hydroxy-1-phenyl-3H-benzo[f]chromen-3-one (**3g**)



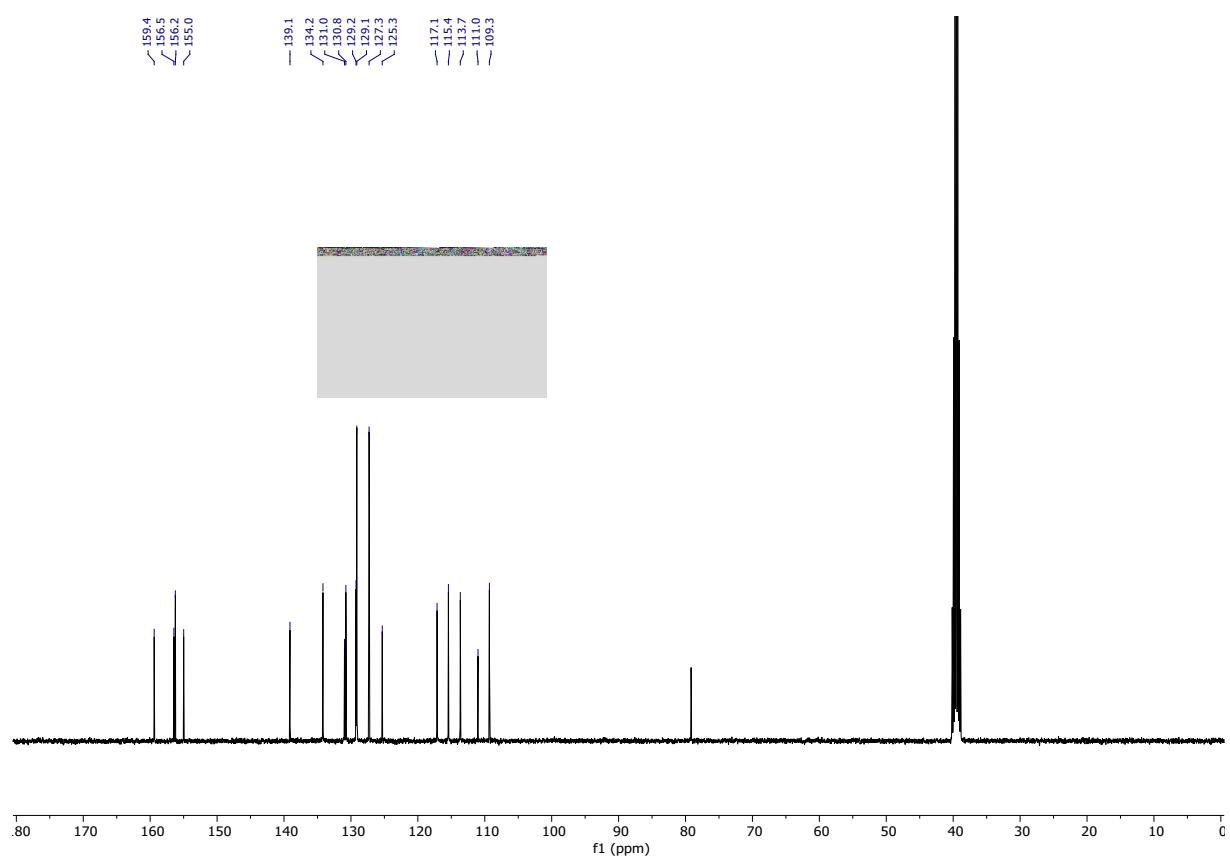
In a sealable vial, a solution of FeCl<sub>3</sub> (65 mg, 0.4 mmol) and AgOTf (308 mg, 1.2 mmol) in DCE (1 mL) and TFA (0.5 mL) was stirred at room temperature for 10 min. Dihydroxynaphthalene (320 mg, 2 mmol) and phenylpropionic acid (585 mg, 4 mmol) was then added and the reaction mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 16 h. After cooling at room temperature, the mixture was treated with an aq. solution of NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and extracted with AcOEt (3 times). The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered and concentrated to dryness. Purification by silica gel chromatography (eluent 100% DCM) afforded the desired product as a light pink solid (286 mg, 0.99 mmol, 49% yield)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.24 (P.E./EtOAc 8:2) <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 9.74 (s, 1H), 8.06 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.62 – 7.50 (m, 3H), 7.46 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.03 (dd, J = 8.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 6.24 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>) δ 159.4, 156.4, 156.2, 155.0, 139.1, 134.2, 130.9, 130.7, 129.2, 129.1, 127.3, 125.3, 117.1, 115.4, 113.6, 111.0, 109.3. MP = 214 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 394.9832, found 394.9832.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **3g** in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub> (traces of CHCl<sub>3</sub> at 8.28 ppm)

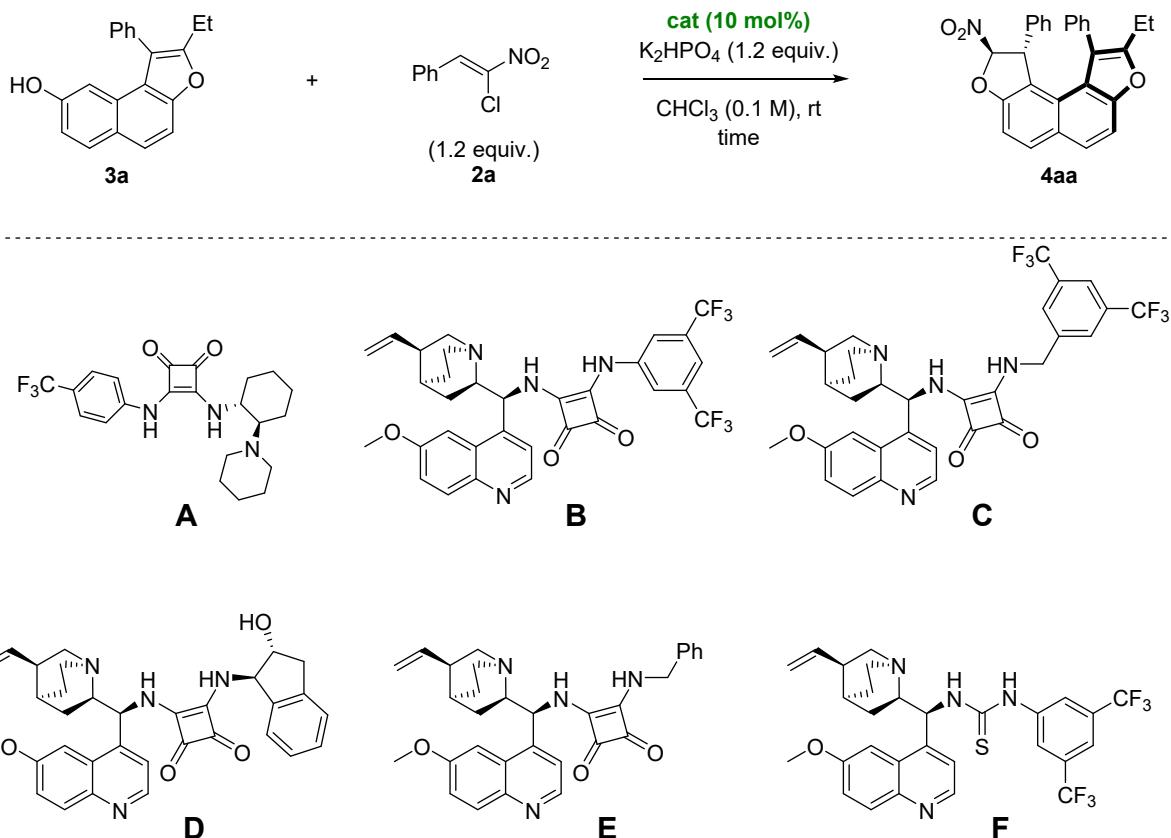


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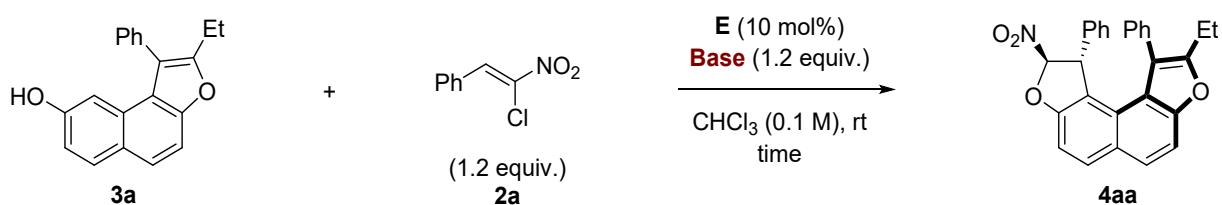


### 3. Optimization of the synthesis of dihydrofurans

#### a) Choice of the organocatalyst



#### b) Optimization of the reaction conditions

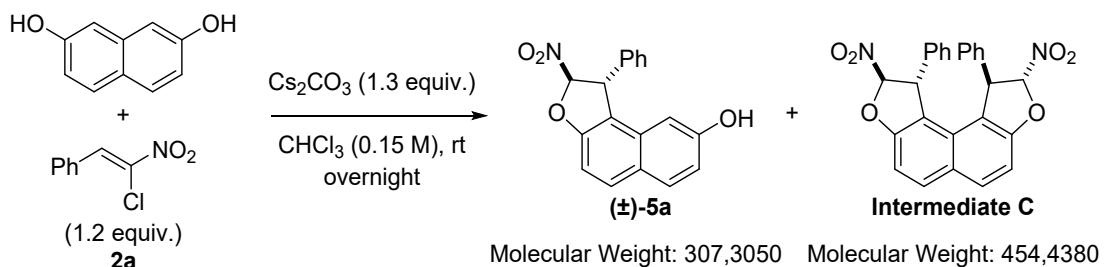


Entry	Base	Time (days)	Yield (%)	ee (%)
1	K <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>4</sub>	4	57	97
2	K <sub>2</sub> HPO <sub>4</sub> ·3H <sub>2</sub> O	6	64	95
3	K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	3	75	10
4	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	4	67	97
5	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	3	76	45
6	Cs <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	0.5	67	6
7 <sup>a</sup>	TMEDA	7	18	74
8 <sup>b</sup>	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	6	39	90
9 <sup>c</sup>	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	4	61	96
10 <sup>d</sup>	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	7	50	78
11 <sup>e</sup>	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	3	55	97
12 <sup>f</sup>	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	3	71	95
13 <sup>g</sup>	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	6	69	96
14 <sup>h</sup>	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	7	80	96

<sup>a</sup>1 equiv. of base was used. <sup>b</sup>0.5 equiv. of base were used. <sup>c</sup>5 equiv. of base were used. <sup>d</sup>Toluene was used as solvent. <sup>e</sup>CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was used as solvent. <sup>f</sup>(CICH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub> was used as solvent. <sup>g</sup>1 equiv. of **2a** was used. <sup>h</sup>1 equiv. of **2a** and 1.2 equiv. of **3a** were used.

#### 4. Synthesis of dioxa[4]helicene **1** and determination of its enantimerization barrier

##### a) Synthesis of **1**



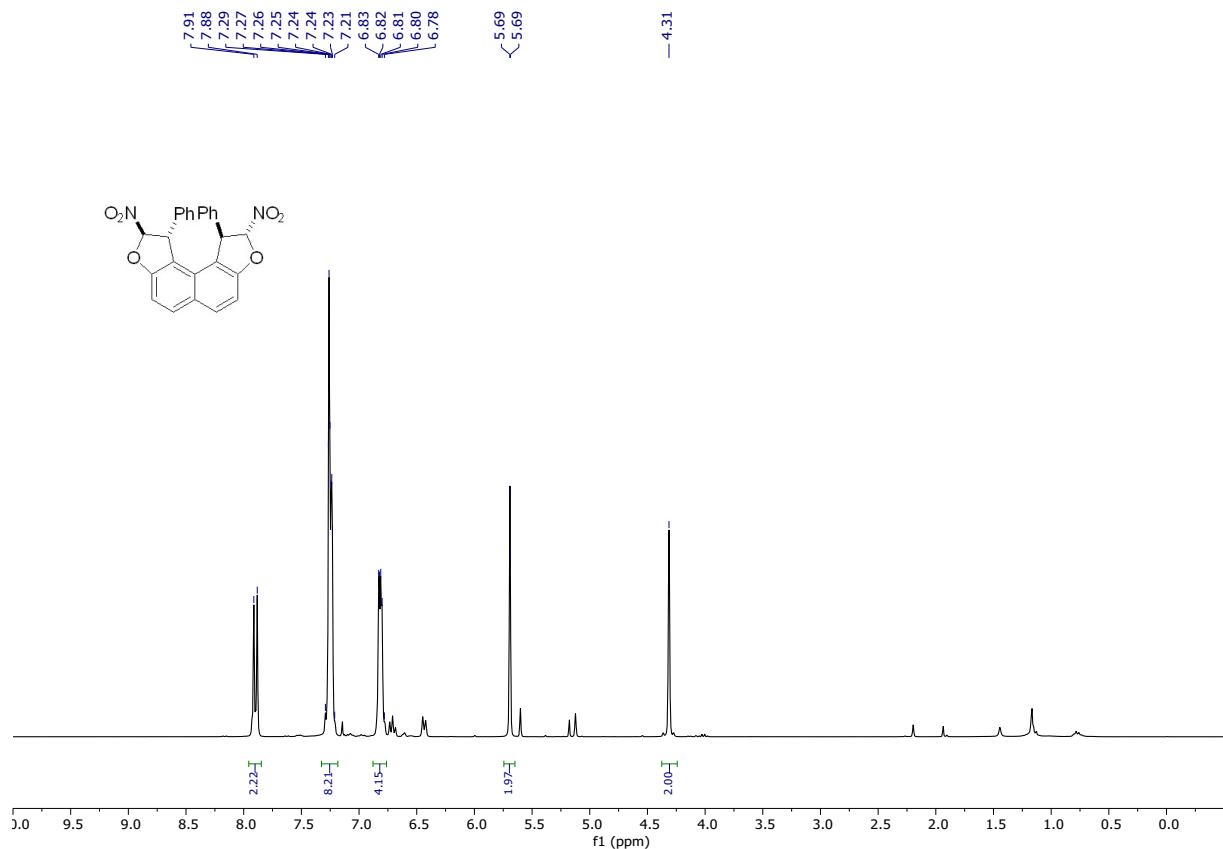
Note that the number of equivalents of **2a** was intentionally below 2 in order to isolated both desired products.

In a 50 mL round-bottom flask, 2,7-dihydroxynaphthalene (480 mg, 3.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv), **2a** (693 mg, 3.6 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.3 g, 4.0 mmol, 1.33 equiv.) were combined with CHCl<sub>3</sub> (20 mL) and the mixture was stirred at room temperature overnight. The resulting mixture was treated with aqueous HCl (0.5 M) and the aqueous phase was extracted thrice with DCM. The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. Once concentrated, the crude brown oil was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 5:95 to 15:85) to yield **Intermediate C** as a white powder (219 mg, 0.48 mmol, 80%) and **(±)-5a** as a yellow powder 510 mg, 1.66 mmol, 69%).

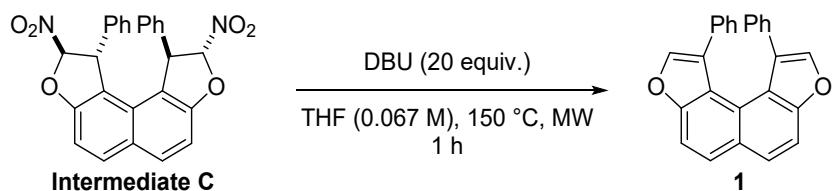
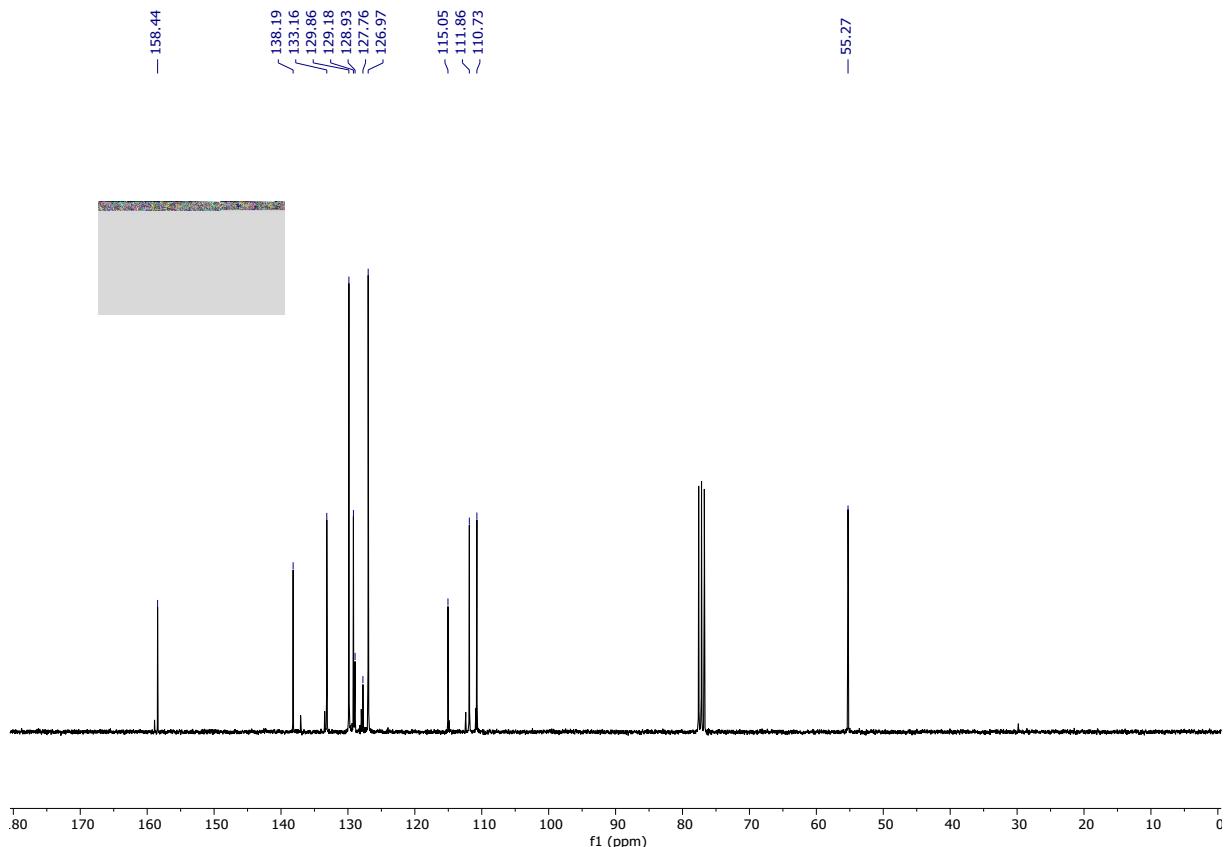
##### Intermediate C

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.43 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:4), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 7.90 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.32 – 7.18 (m, 8H), 6.82 (m, 4H), 5.69 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 2H), 4.31 (s, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 158.4, 138.2, 133.2, 129.9, 129.2, 128.9, 127.8, 127.0, 115.0, 111.9, 110.7, 55.3. MP = 210 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 561.0210, found 561.0208.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **Intermediate C** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **Intermediate C** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>

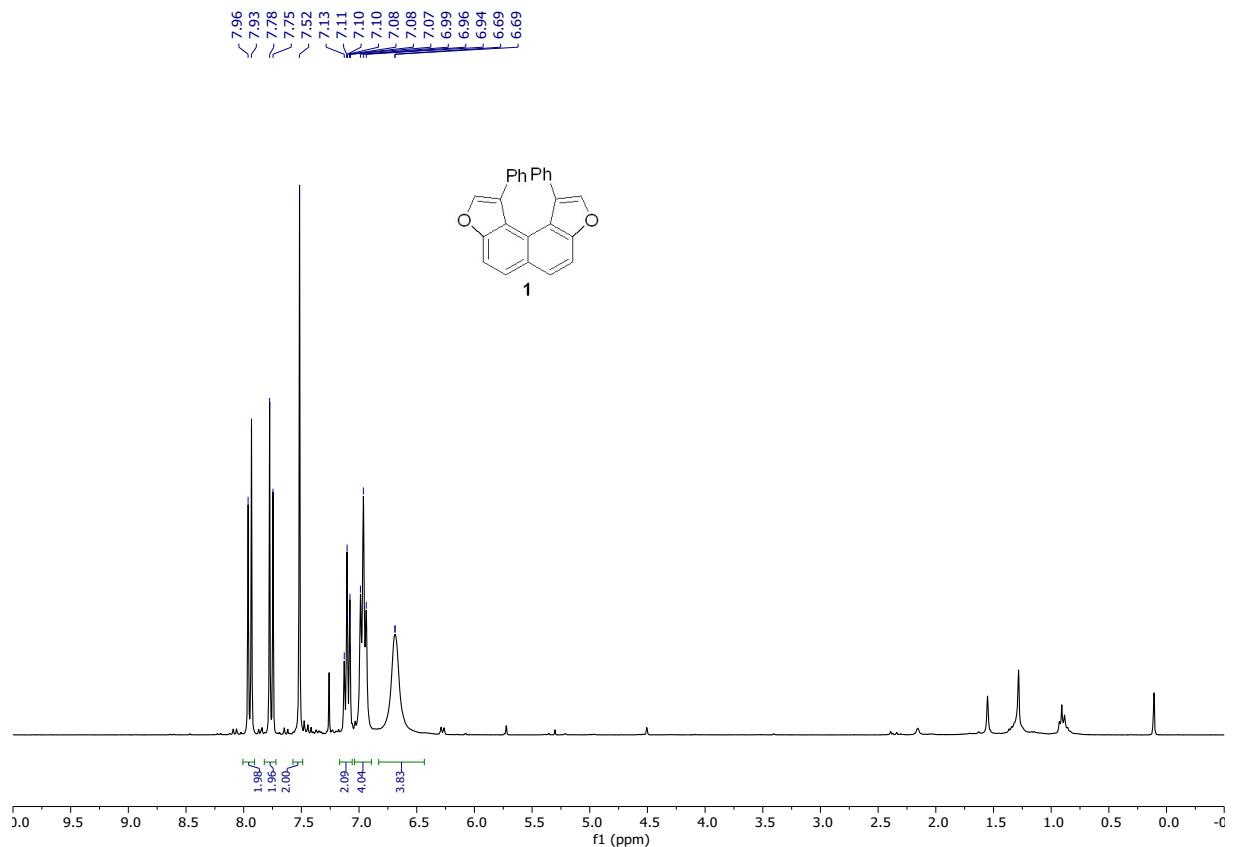


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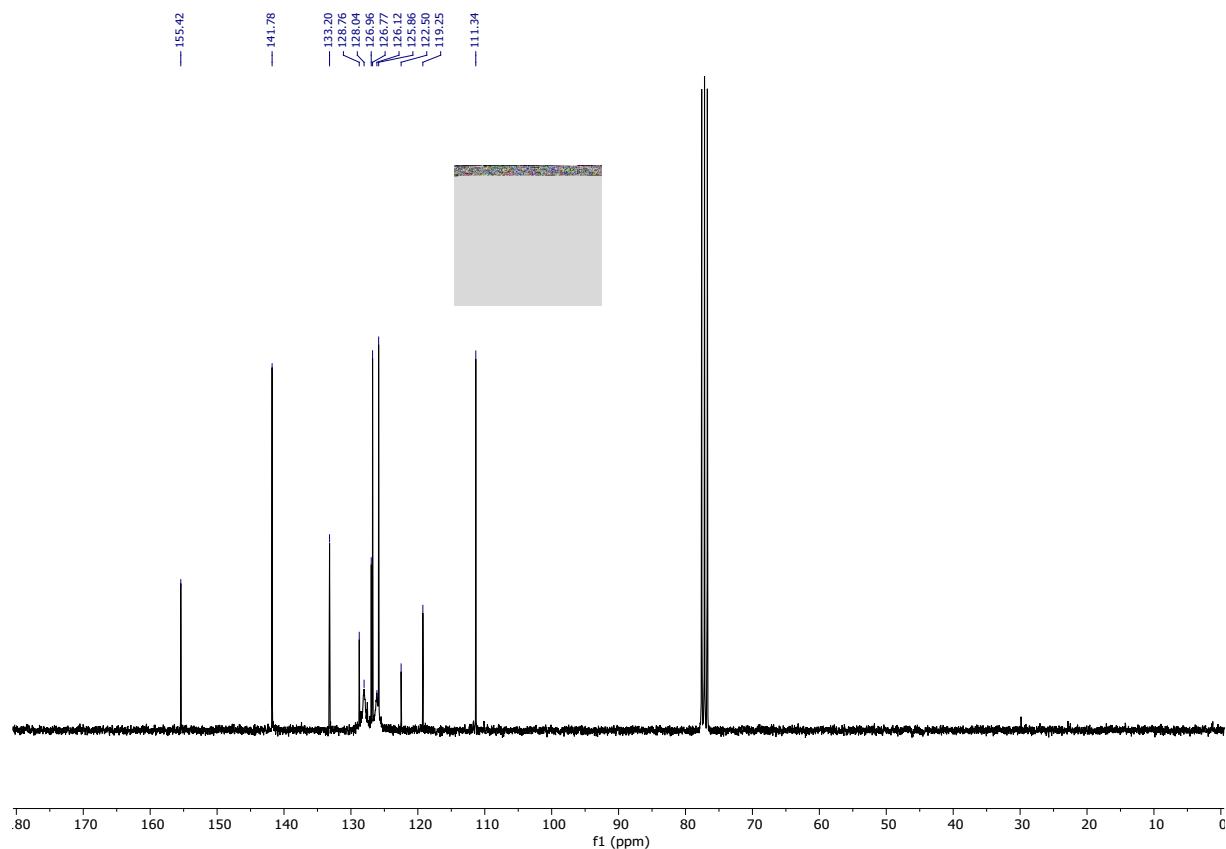
In a G-10 MW vessel, DBU (600  $\mu$ L, 4.0 mmol, 4.0 equiv) was added to a solution of **Intermediate C** (91 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in THF (3 mL) and the black mixture was stirred at 150 °C in MW for 1 h. The resulting mixture was then treated with aqueous HCl (1 M) and the aqueous phase was extracted twice with DCM. The combined organic layers were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. Once concentrated, the crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 2:98) to yield **1** as a yellow solid (33 mg, 0.09 mmol, 46%).

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.62 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:4), **<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.95 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.76 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (s, 2H), 7.18 – 7.05 (m, 2H), 7.02 – 6.90 (m, 4H), 6.69 (s, 4H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)**  $\delta$  (ppm) 155.4, 141.8, 133.2, 128.8, 128.0, 127.0, 126.8, 126.1, 125.9, 122.5, 119.3, 111.3. **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z):** [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 467.0196, found 467.0190.

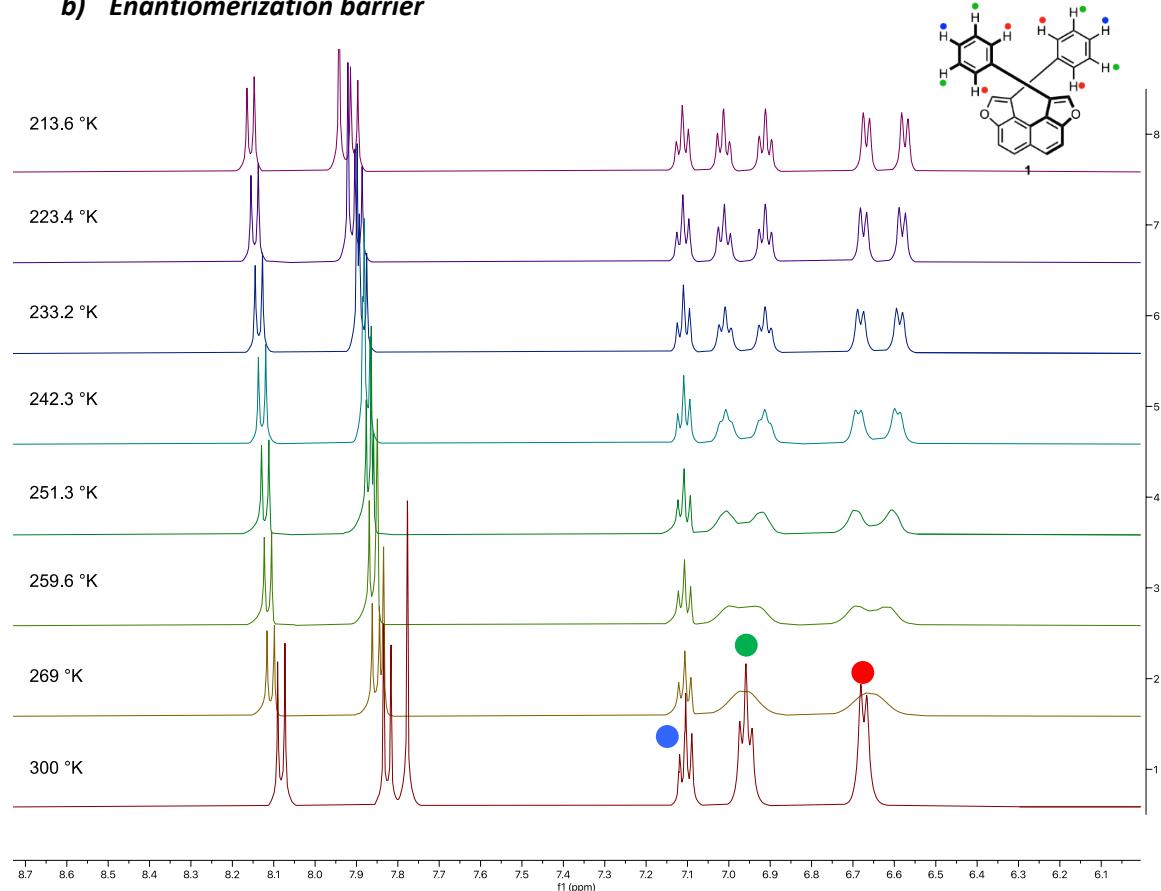
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **1** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **1** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



**b) Enantiomerization barrier**



The relatively low enantiomerization barrier of **1** allows the kinetics to be studied by dynamic  $^1\text{H}$  NMR, depending among other things on the length of the alkyl bridge. The system possesses two phenyl groups that shows diastereotopic protons at low temperature due to the helical conformation of the structure. The highlighted protons can be used to determine the rate of inversion by measuring the peaks broadening and subsequently determining the coalescence temperature. The determined coalescence temperature ( $T_c = 269 \text{ } ^\circ\text{K}$ ) as well as the difference in chemical shift of two diastereotopic protons without exchange ( $\Delta\nu = 47 \text{ Hz}$ )

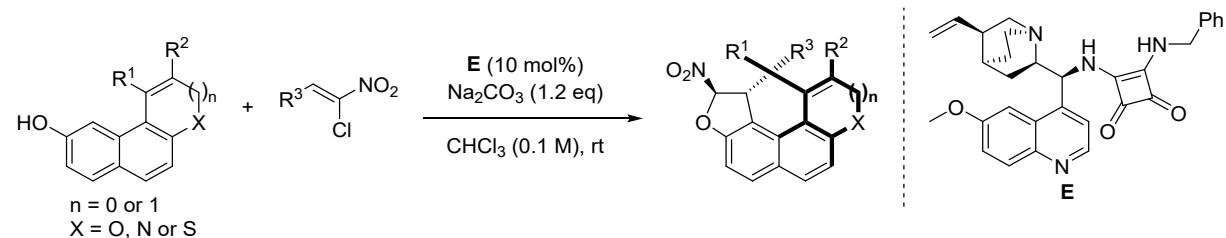
can be used to calculate the barrier by using the following equation.<sup>17</sup>

$$\Delta G_{eT_c}^\neq = RT_c \left[ \ln\left(\frac{k_B T_c}{h}\right) - \ln\left(\pi \frac{\Delta\nu}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right]$$

$$\Delta G_{eT_c}^\neq = 8.31 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot 269 \left[ \ln\left(\frac{1.38 \cdot 10^{-23} \cdot 269}{6.63 \cdot 10^{-34}}\right) - \ln\left(\pi \frac{47}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right] = 55 \text{ kJ.mol}^{-1}$$

## 5. Experimental procedures for the enantioselective synthesis and characterization of 4

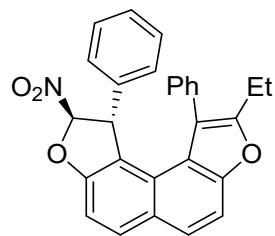
### a) General procedure



In a reaction tube, naphtho[2,1-b]furan-8-ol (0.12 mmol, 1.2 equiv., *unless specified*), chloronitrovinylbenzene (0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.),  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  (13 mg, 0.12 mmol, 1.2 equiv.), and **E** (5 mg, 0.01 mmol, 0.1 equiv.) were combined with  $\text{CHCl}_3$  (1 mL) and the mixture was stirred at room temperature (*unless specified*) until completion of the reaction monitored by TLC (*usually 4 days*). Once concentrated, the crude product was purified on silica column using EtOAc/ Petroleum ether mixture to yield the pure product.

<sup>17</sup> Rickhaus, M.; Jundt, L.; Mayor, M. *Chimia* **2016**, *70*, 192-202.

**(1*R*,2*R*)-9-ethyl-2-nitro-1,10-diphenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*:7,8-*b'*]difuran (**4aa**)**

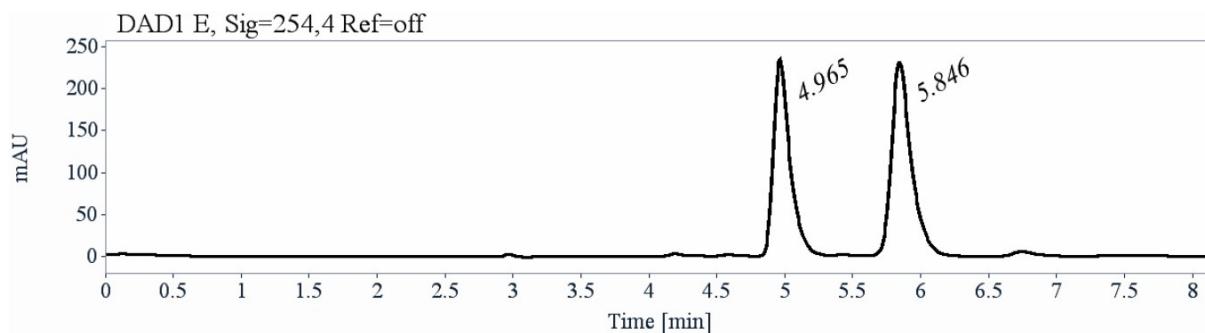


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Prepared following general procedure using **3a** (35 mg) and **2a** (18 mg) for 4 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:49) to yield a white solid (35 mg, 0.08 mmol, 80%)

**R<sub>f</sub>** = 0.53 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +252°, **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.04 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (tt, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.44 – 7.30 (m, 3H), 7.18 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.09 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 6.81 – 6.73 (m, 1H), 6.36 – 6.29 (m, 2H), 5.69 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (s, 1H), 2.54 (ddt, J = 17.1, 15.0, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.14 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H). **13C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 157.8, 156.7, 153.4, 137.9, 134.7, 133.1, 130.8, 130.3, 129.1, 129.0, 128.7, 128.5, 128.1, 127.7, 126.4, 126.1, 121.3, 118.2, 116.0, 112.1, 111.2, 109.8, 56.2, 20.1, 13.0. **MP** = 182 °C, **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z)**: [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 542.0516, found 542.0513. **HPLC analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-2, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated **96% ee**, **t<sub>r1</sub>**: 4.90 min, **t<sub>r2</sub>**: 5.72 min

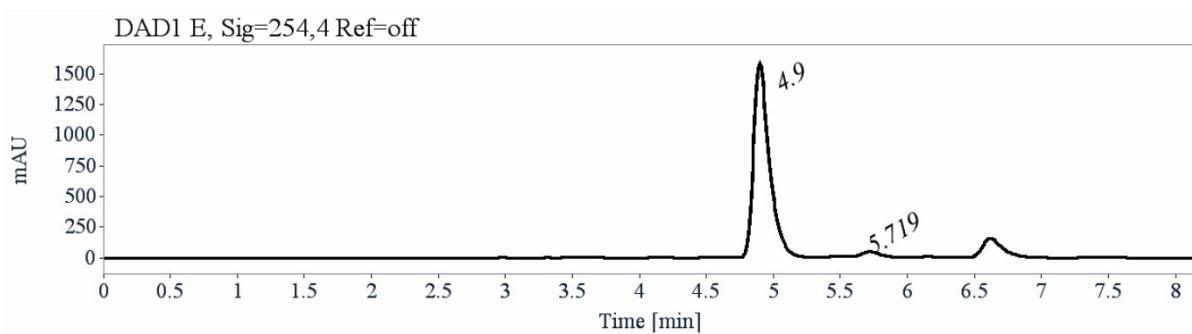
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4aa**



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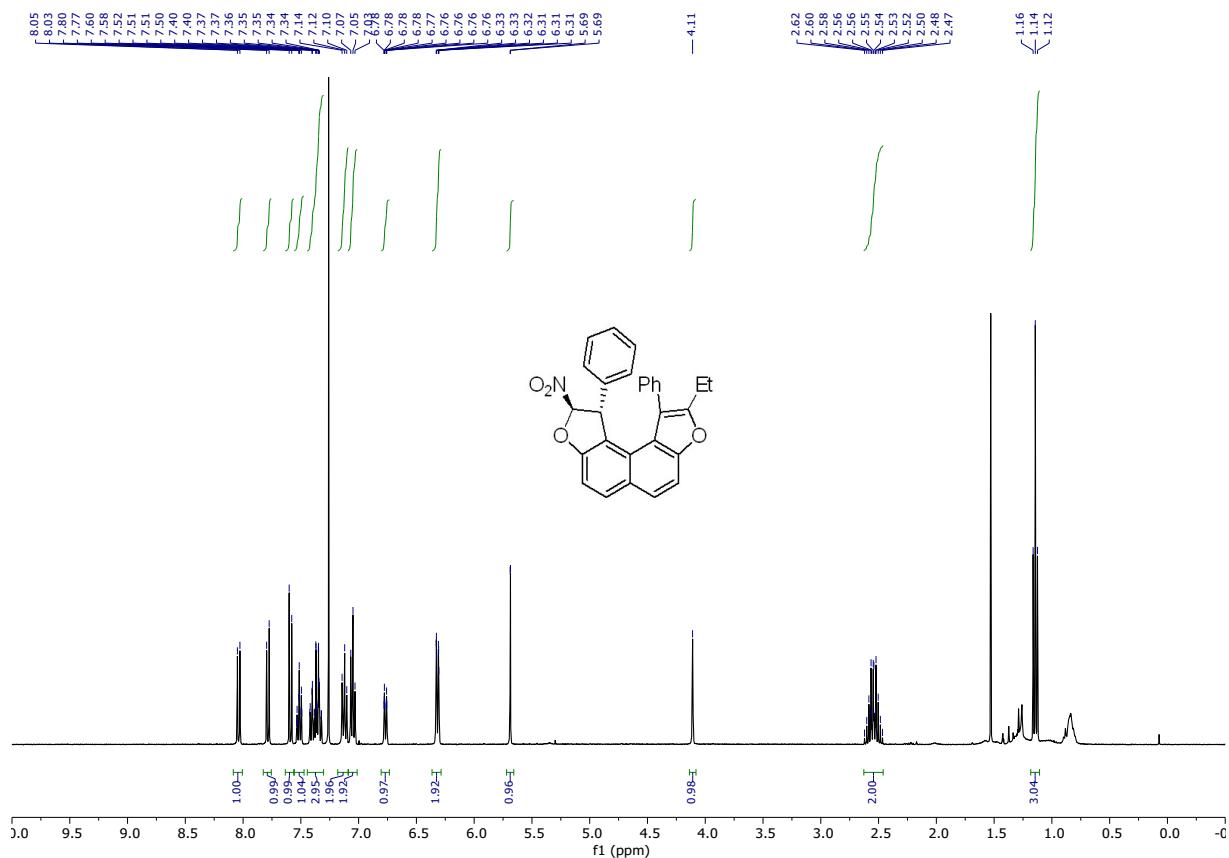
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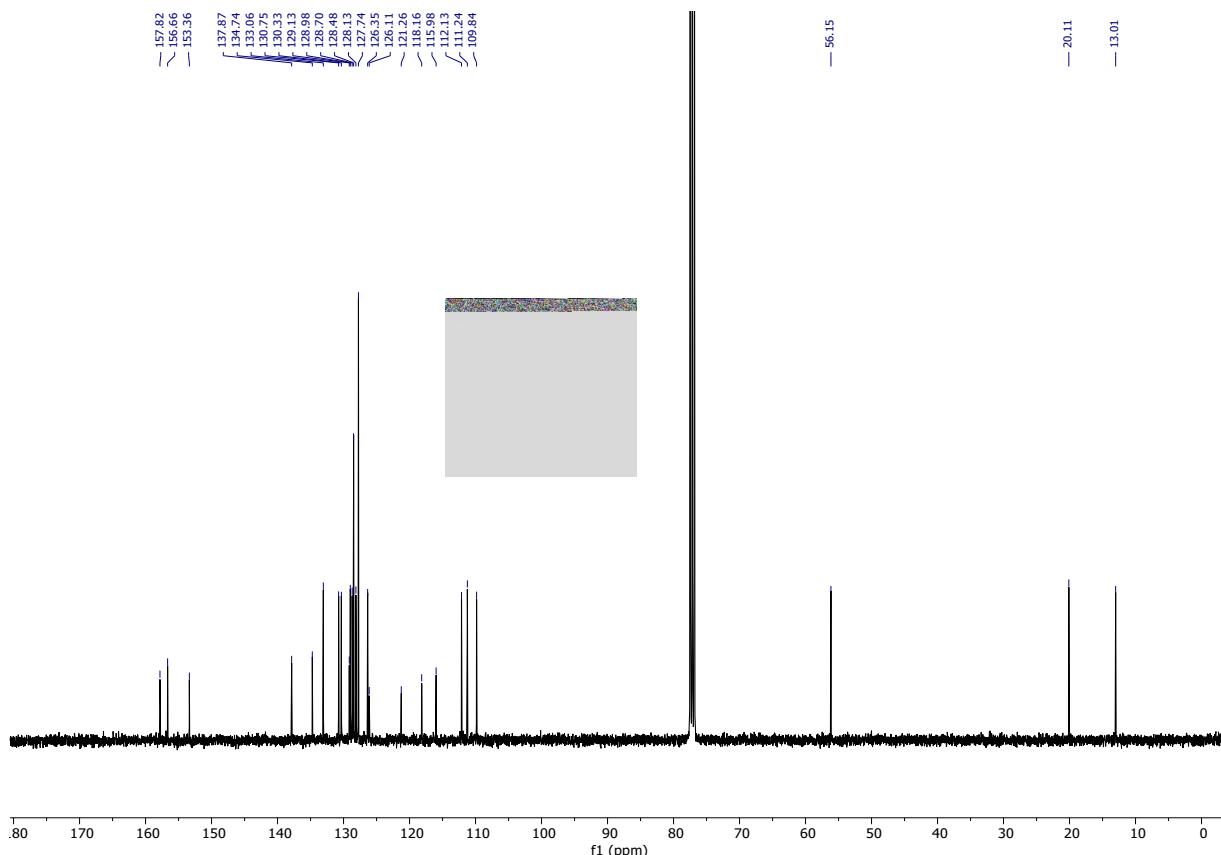
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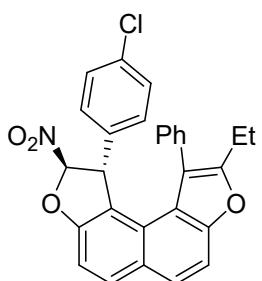
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4aa** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4aa** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*R*,2*R*)-1-(4-chlorophenyl)-9-ethyl-2-nitro-10-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*:7,8-*b'*]difuran (**4ab**)



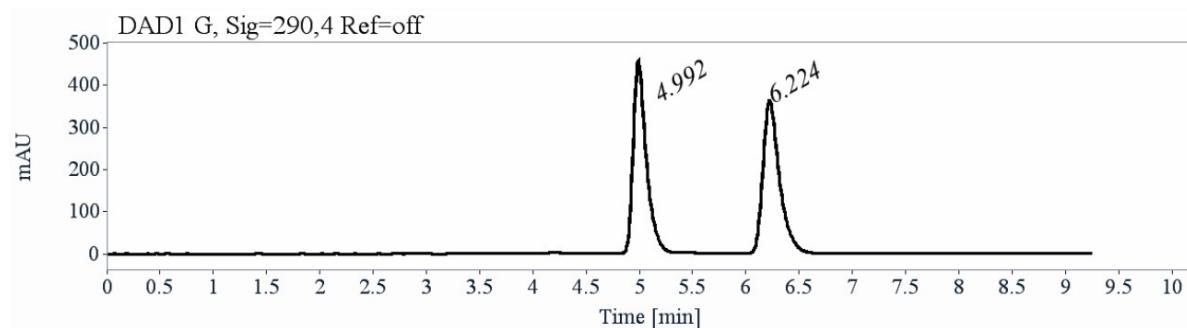
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Prepared following general procedure using **3a** (35 mg) and **2b** (22 mg) for 3 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:49 to 3:97) to yield a yellow solid (36 mg, 0.076 mmol, 76%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.53 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +191°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.05 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (tt, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.18 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 7.07 – 6.99 (m, 2H), 6.88 – 6.80 (m, 1H), 6.31 – 6.20 (m, 2H), 5.63 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.11 (s, 1H), 2.67 – 2.46 (m, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.16 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 157.8, 156.8, 153.4, 136.4, 134.7, 133.7, 133.3, 130.8, 130.3, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7, 128.3, 126.4, 125.9, 121.1, 118.0, 115.5, 111.7, 111.4, 109.9, 55.6, 20.1, 13.0. MP = 110 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>20</sub>ClNO<sub>4</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 578.0119, found 578.0106. HPLC

**analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-2, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 290 nm) indicated **96% ee**, **t<sub>r</sub>1**: 4.98 min, **t<sub>r</sub>2**: 6.21 min

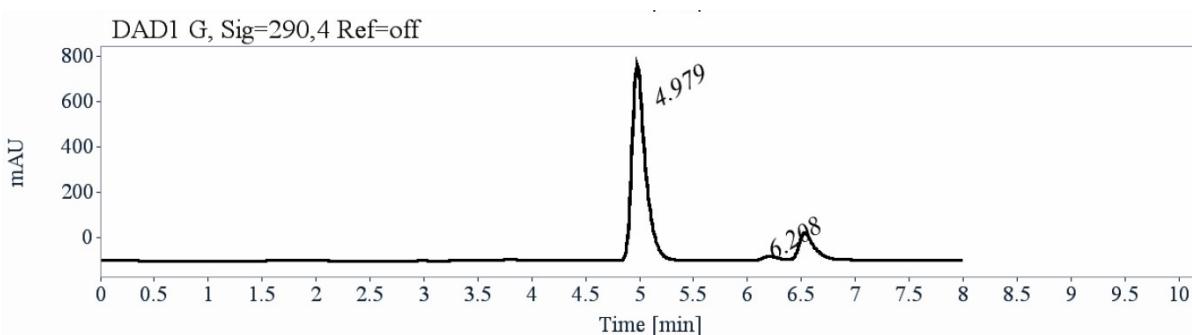
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **rac-4ab**



**Signal:** DAD1 G, Sig=290,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
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6.22	3931	50.09	1.11	1.60	5.07
Sum	7848	100.00			

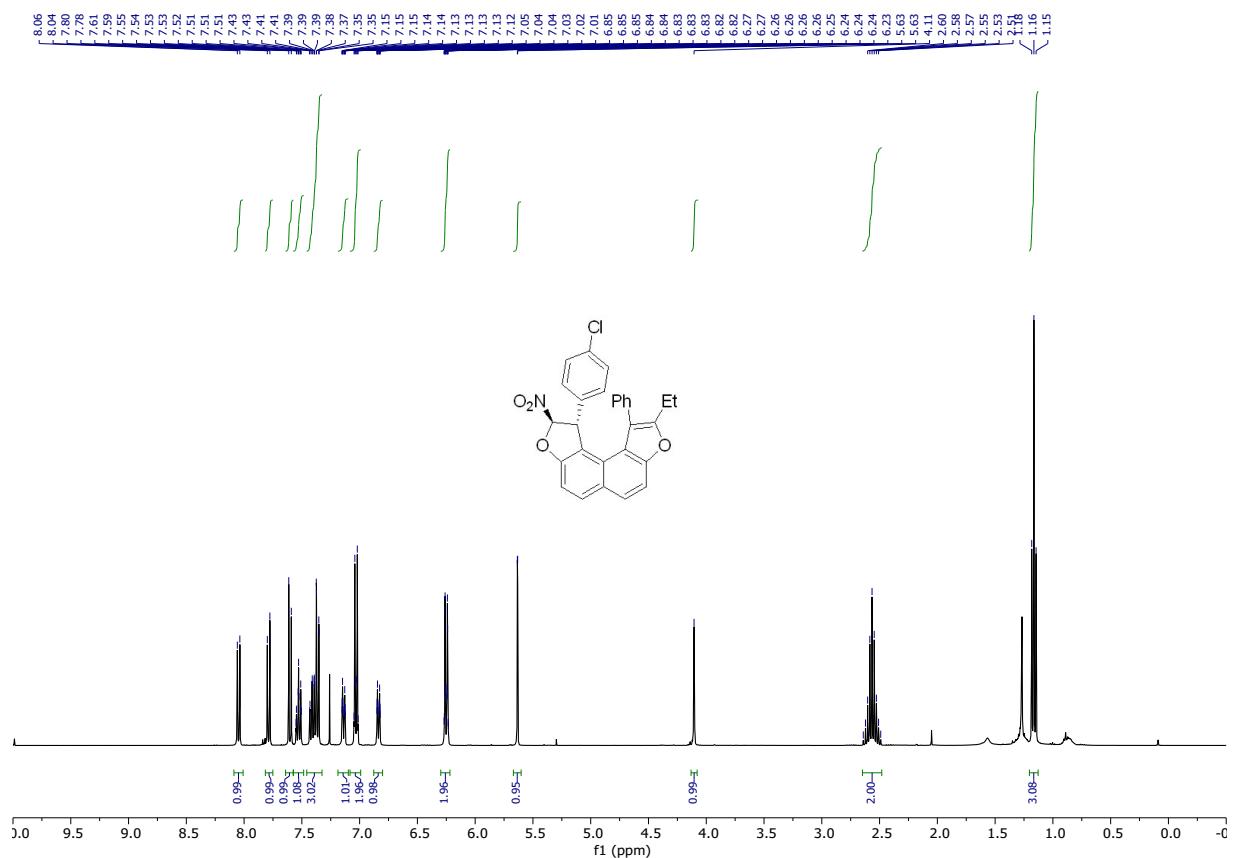
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ab**



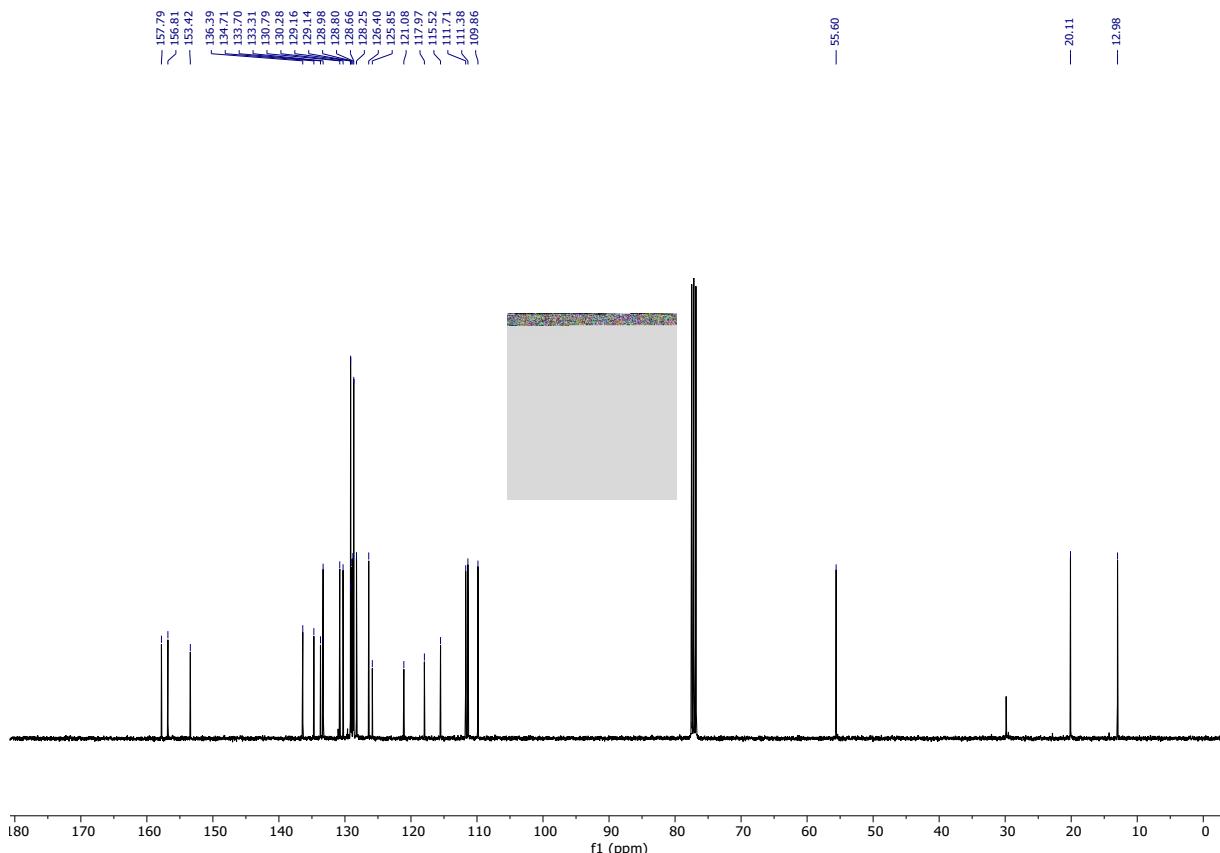
**Signal:** DAD1 G, Sig=290,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.98	7452	98.05	0.69		
6.21	148	1.95	1.10	1.61	5.37
Sum	7600	100.00			

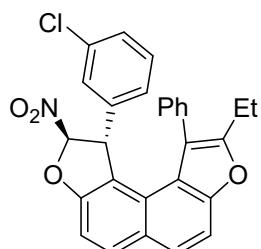
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ab** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ab** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*R*,2*R*)-1-(3-chlorophenyl)-9-ethyl-2-nitro-10-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*:7,8-*b'*]difuran (**4ac**)



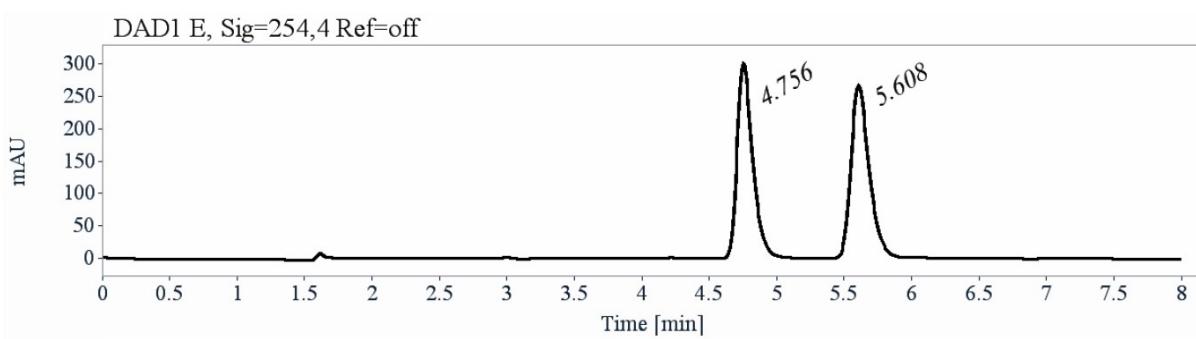
Molecular Weight: 469,9210

Prepared following general procedure using **3a** (35 mg) and **2c** (22 mg) for 4 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:49 to 1:24) to yield a yellow solid (30 mg, 0.063 mmol, 63%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.44 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +168°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.05 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (tt, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.35 (m, 3H), 7.16 (dt, J = 7.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.14 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 6.94 (t, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (dt, J = 7.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.41 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (ddt, J = 7.8, 1.8, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.66 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.22 (s, 1H), 2.64 – 2.48 (m, 2H), 1.16 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 157.8, 156.9, 153.4, 139.9, 134.7, 134.4, 133.4, 130.8, 130.5, 129.7, 129.2, 128.9, 128.8, 128.4, 128.3, 128.1, 126.5, 125.9, 125.6, 121.1, 117.9, 115.2, 111.6, 111.4, 109.9, 55.8, 20.1, 13.0. MP = 152 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [2M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>56</sub>H<sub>40</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 1047.1203, found 1047.1193. HPLC analysis (Lux-

Cellulose-2, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated 94% ee,  $t_r$ **1**: 4.76 min,  $t_r$ **2**: 5.61 min

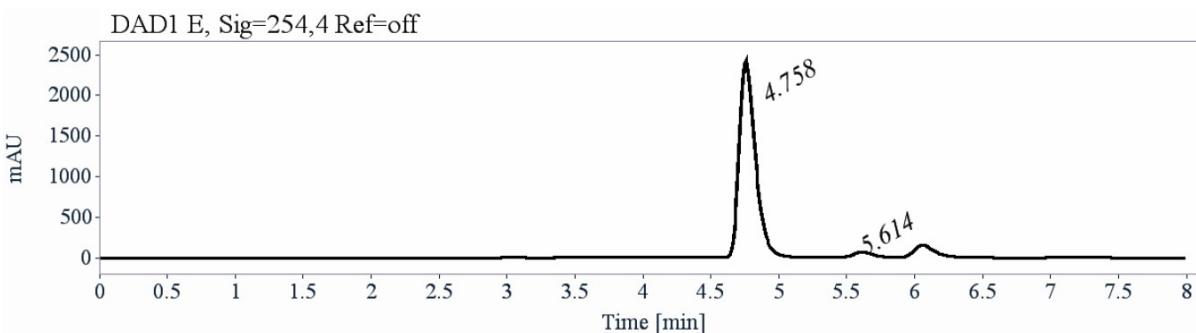
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4ac**



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.76	2429	49.17	0.61		
5.61	2511	50.83	0.90	1.47	3.78
Sum	4941	100.00			

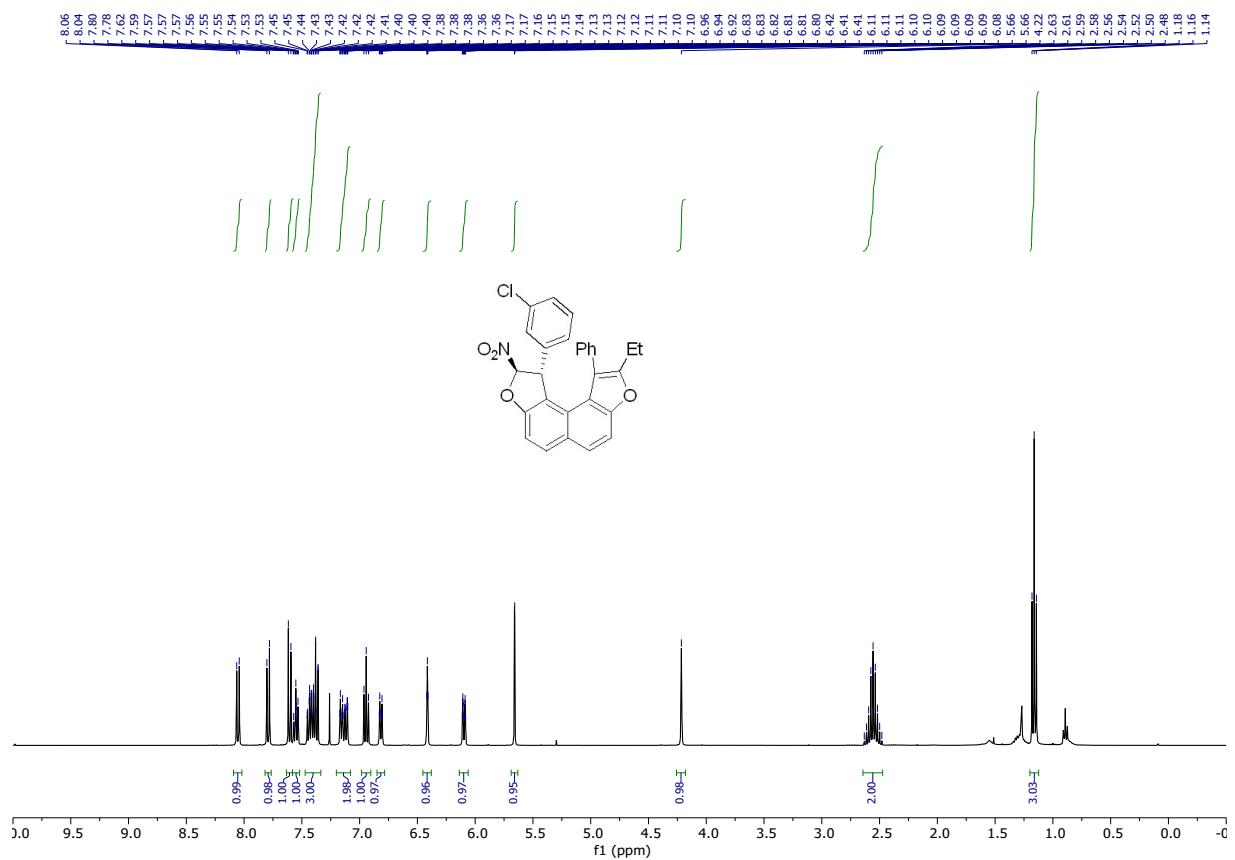
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ac**



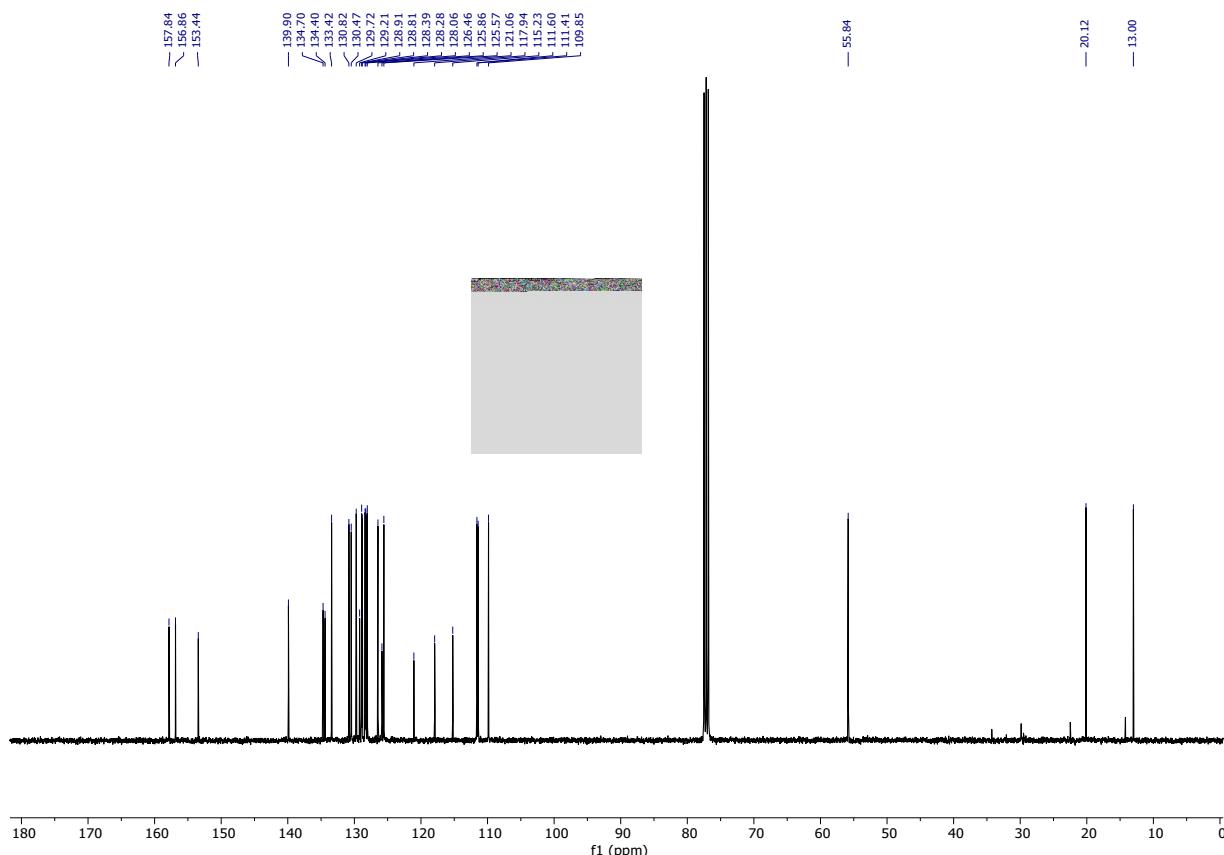
Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.76	20044	97.01	0.61		
5.61	617	2.99	0.90	1.47	3.75
Sum	20661	100.00			

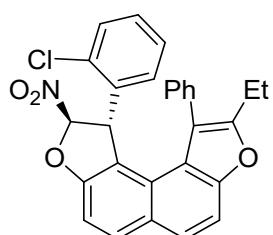
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ac** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ac** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*S*,2*R*)-1-(2-chlorophenyl)-9-ethyl-2-nitro-10-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*:7,8-*b*']difuran (**4ad**)



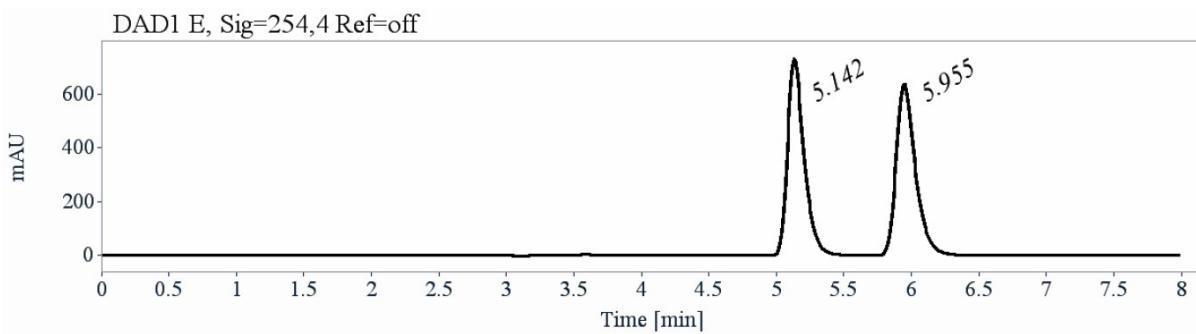
Molecular Weight: 469,9210

Prepared following general procedure using **3a** (35 mg) and **2d** (22 mg) for 6 days at 50 °C. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:49) to yield a light-yellow solid (11 mg, 0.023 mmol, 23%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.29 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +35°, **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.06 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.51 – 7.38 (m, 2H), 7.38 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.25 – 7.17 (m, 1H), 7.15 – 7.05 (m, 1H), 6.75 (td, J = 7.7, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (dq, J = 7.5, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 5.99 (d, J = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 5.74 (ddd, J = 7.9, 1.7, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (s, 1H), 2.47 (ddt, J = 17.9, 15.0, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.12 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H). **13C NMR** (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 158.2, 157.0, 153.5, 134.4, 134.4, 133.5, 130.5, 130.1, 129.4, 129.2, 129.1, 129.1, 128.8, 128.8, 128.5, 126.9, 126.7, 126.5, 121.0, 118.2, 115.3, 111.3, 110.8, 110.1, 53.6, 20.1, 13.0. **MP** = 207 °C, **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z)**: [2M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>56</sub>H<sub>40</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 1047.1203, found 1047.1205. **HPLC analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-2,

Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated **85% ee**,  $t_{r,1}$ : 5.15 min,  $t_{r,2}$ : 5.96 min

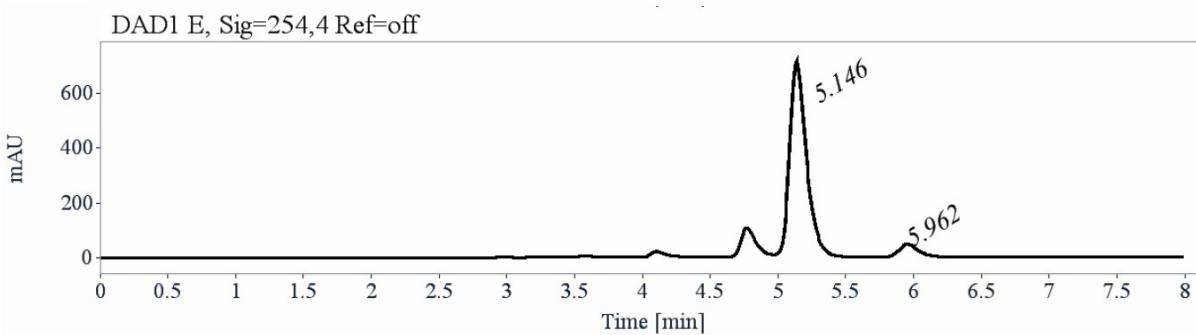
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4ad**



**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
5.14	6225	49.55	0.74		
5.95	6338	50.45	1.02	1.37	3.43
Sum	12563	100.00			

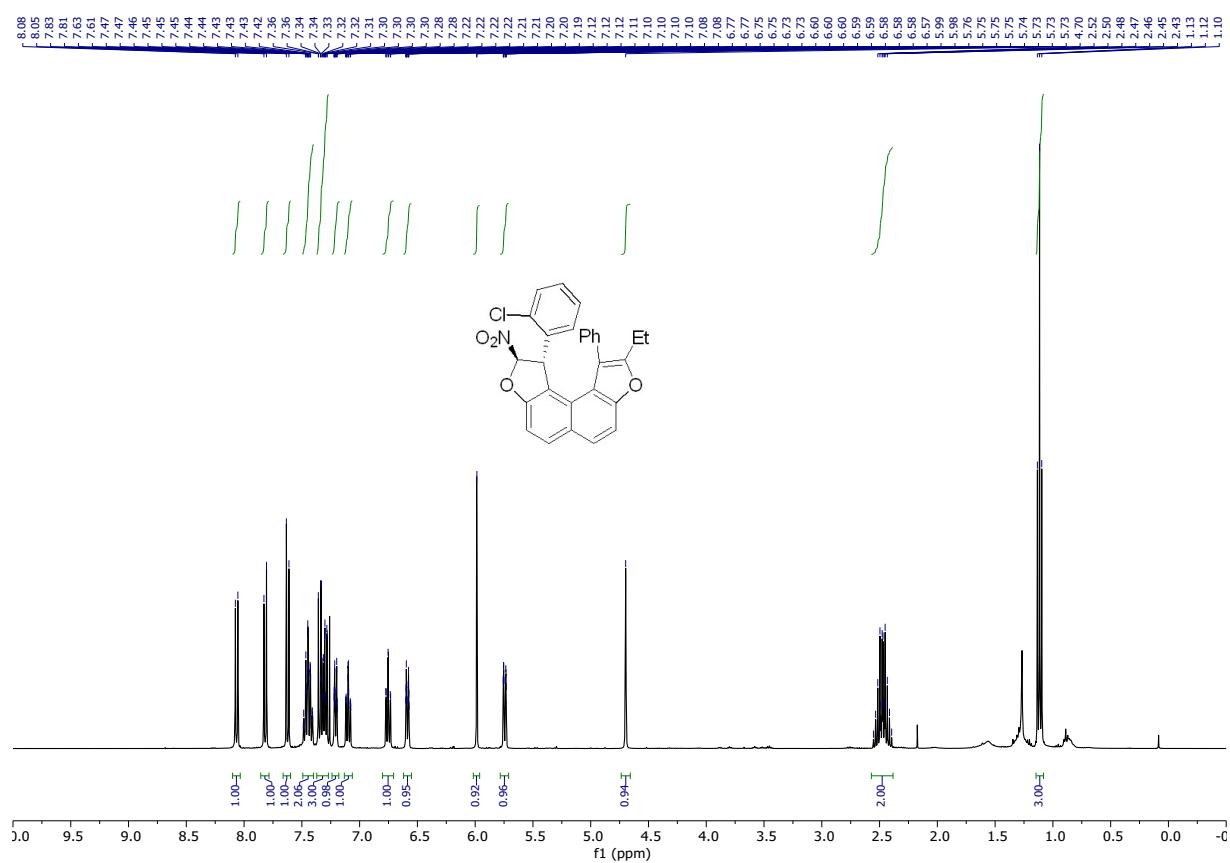
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ad**



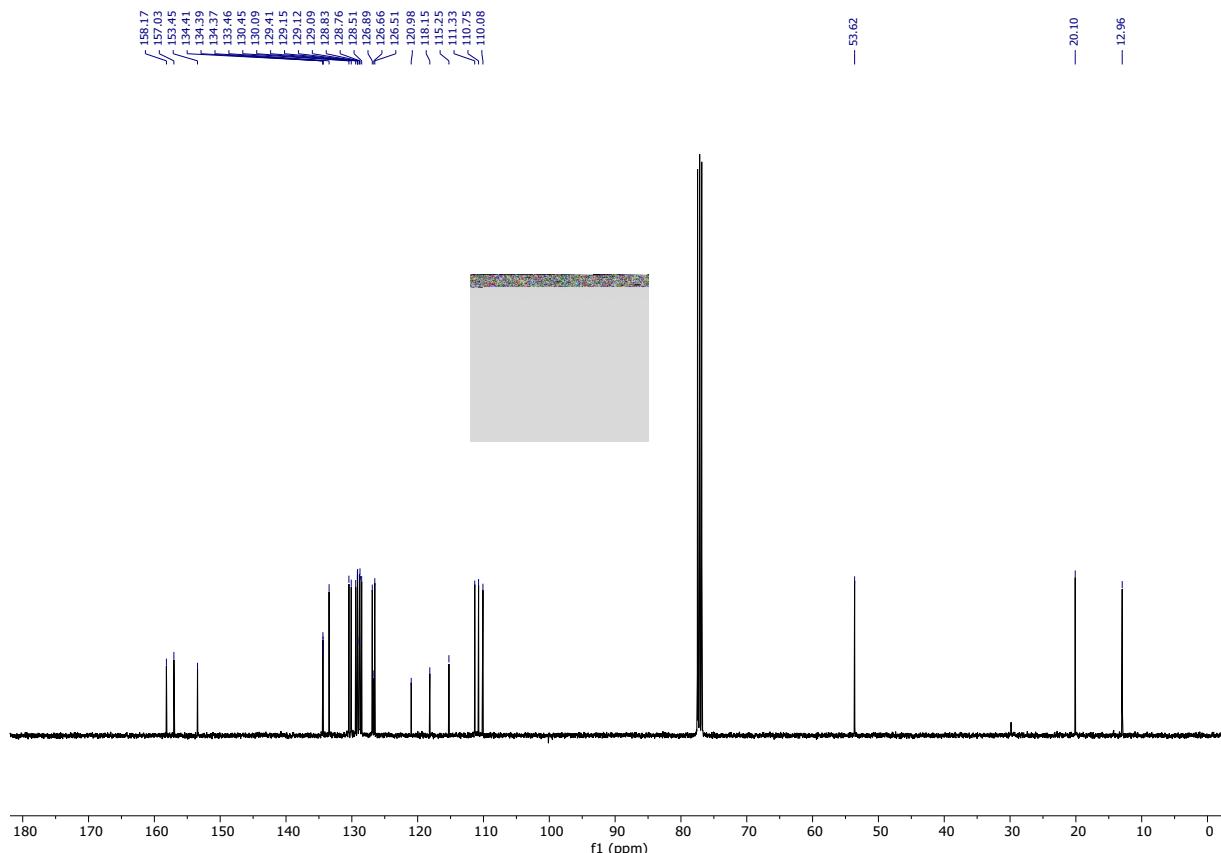
**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
5.15	6225	92.67	0.74		
5.96	493	7.33	1.02	1.37	3.40
Sum	6718	100.00			

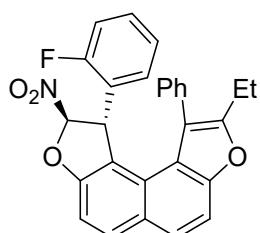
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ad** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ad** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*S*,2*R*)-9-ethyl-1-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-nitro-10-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*:7,8-*b'*]difuran (**4ae**)



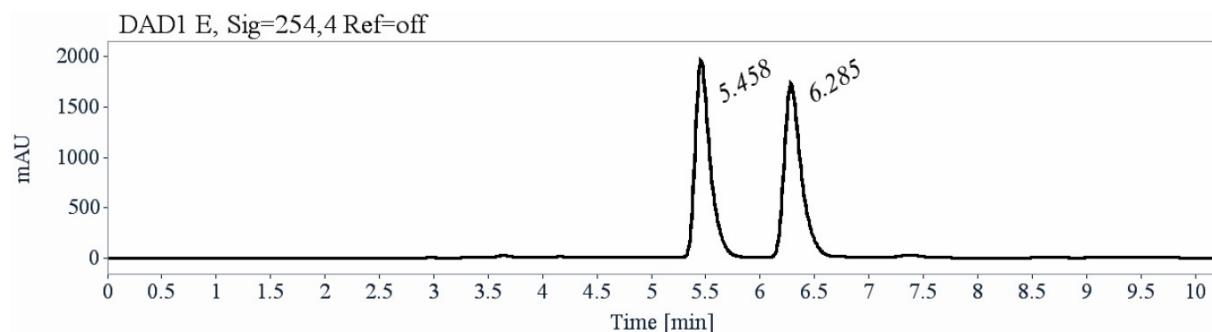
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Prepared following general procedure using **3a** (35 mg) and **2e** (20 mg) for 8 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 3:97 to 1:24) to yield a white solid (17 mg, 0.038 mmol, 38%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.53 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +113°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.05 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (tt, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (tdd, J = 7.5, 1.6, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.35 (dd, J = 8.8, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.21 (m, 1H), 7.20 – 7.13 (m, 2H), 6.98 (ddd, J = 10.2, 8.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.66 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.54 – 6.48 (m, 1H), 5.86 – 5.77 (m, 2H), 4.40 (s, 1H), 2.49 (ddt, J = 16.2, 15.0, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.13 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 160.7 (d, J = 248.8 Hz), 157.9, 156.9, 153.3, 134.4, 133.3, 130.7, 129.7 (d, J = 8.1 Hz), 129.4, 129.0, 129.0 (d, J = 1.4 Hz), 128.7 (d, J = 2.9 Hz), 128.6, 128.4, 126.5, 126.5, 125.2 (d, J = 13.6 Hz), 124.1 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), 121.2, 118.1, 115.4 (d, J = 20.7 Hz), 114.4, 111.3, 110.7 (d, J = 2.6 Hz), 110.0, 50.3 (d, J = 2.2 Hz), 20.1, 13.0. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) -110.82. MP = 181 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup>

(m/z): [2M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>56</sub>H<sub>40</sub>F<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 1015.1808, found 1015.1794. **HPLC analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-2, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated **92% ee**, t<sub>r</sub>**1**: 5.45 min, t<sub>r</sub>**2**: 6.28 min

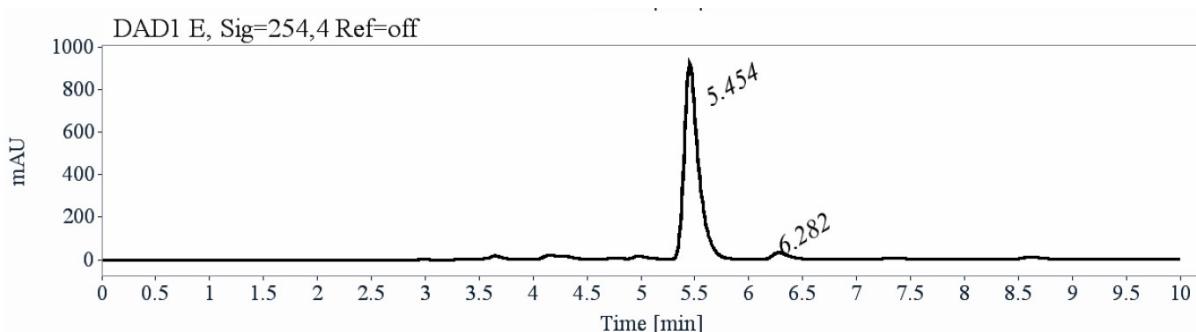
#### Chiral HPLC spectrum of **rac-4ae**



**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
5.46	18819	49.85	0.85		
6.28	18931	50.15	1.13	1.33	3.23
Sum	37751	100.00			

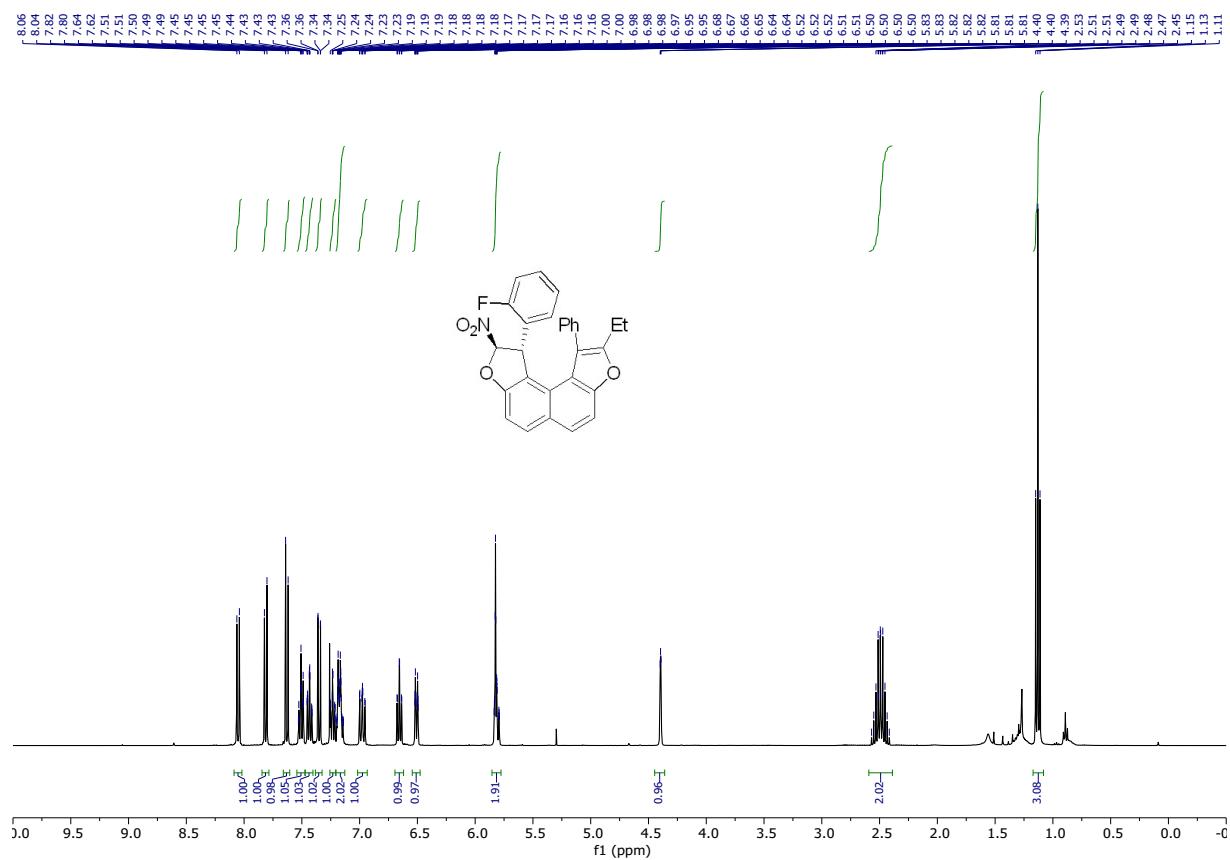
#### Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ae**



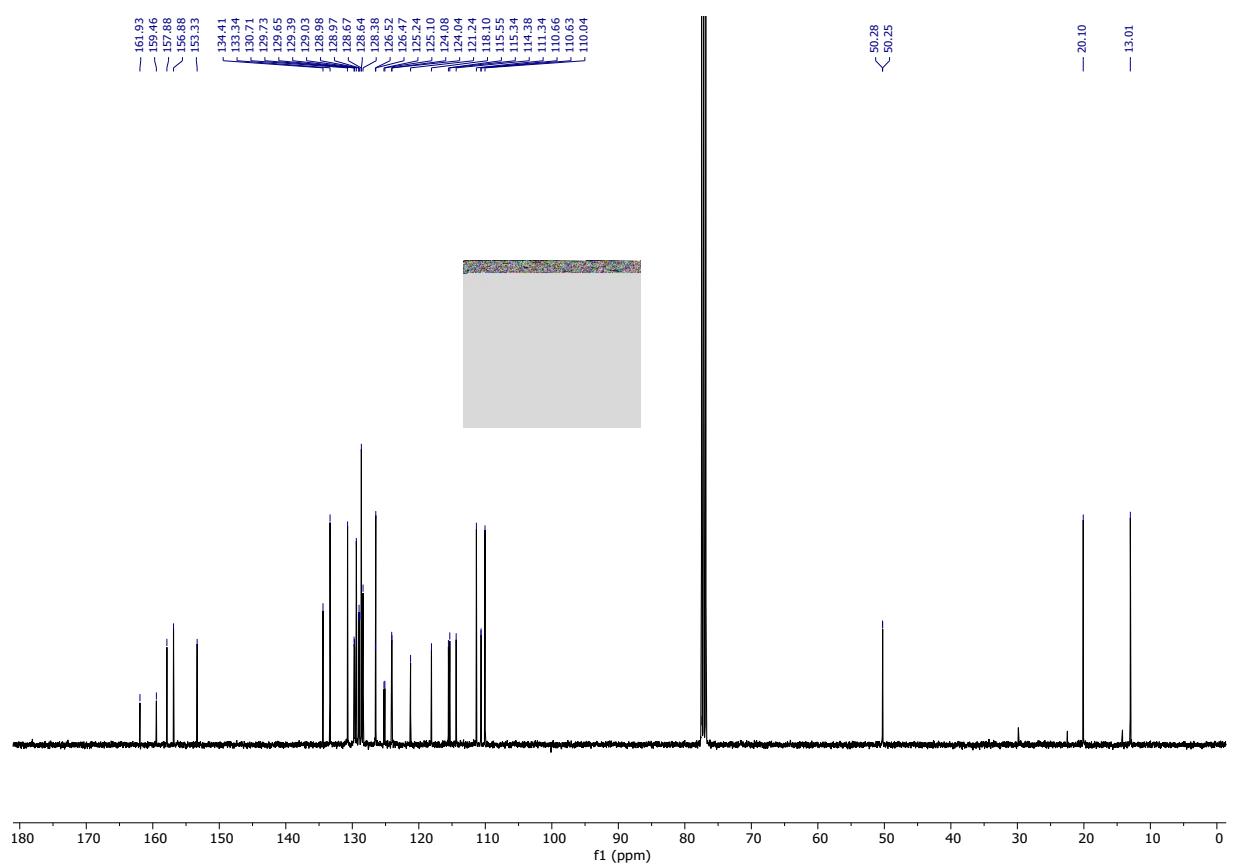
**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
5.45	8498	96.03	0.85		
6.28	351	3.97	1.13	1.33	3.32
Sum	8849	100.00			

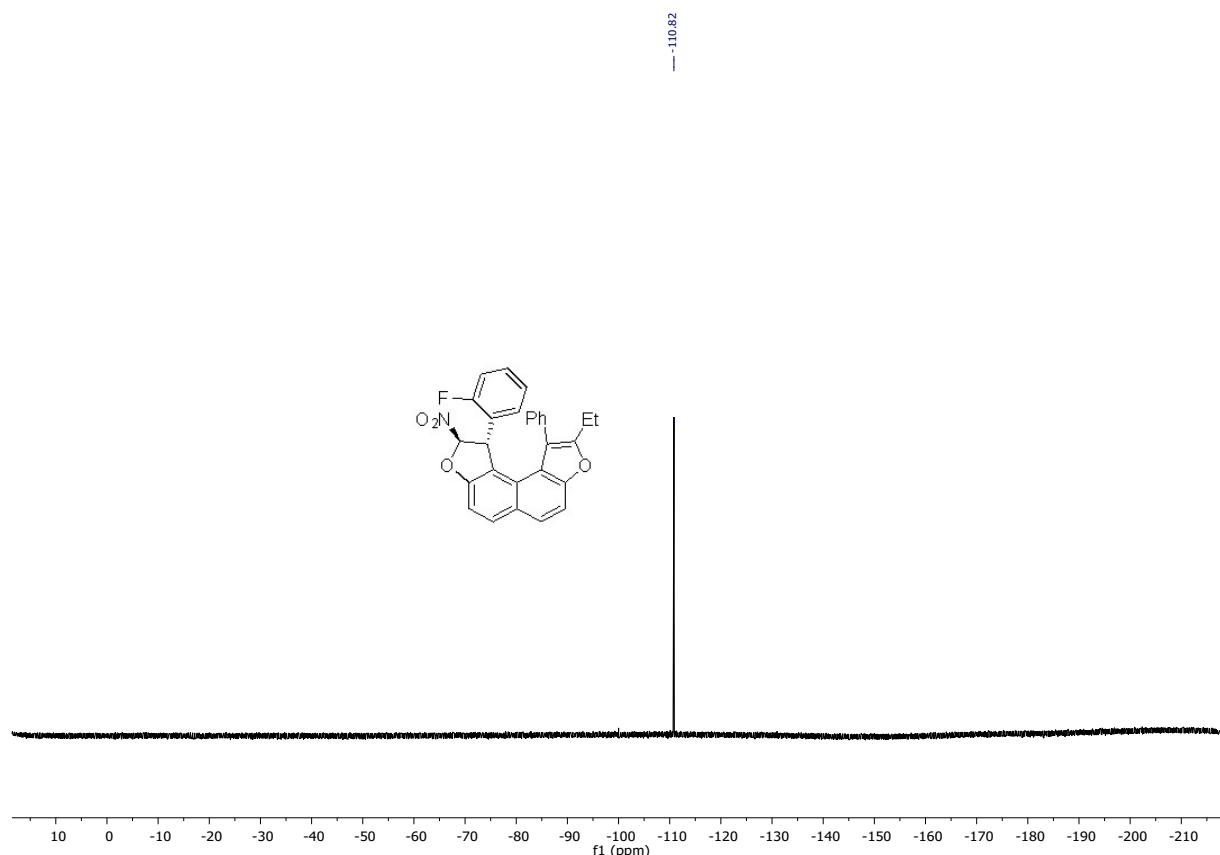
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ae** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



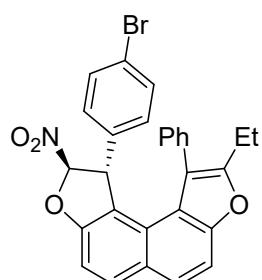
<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ae** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of **4ae** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1R,2R)-1-(4-bromophenyl)-9-ethyl-2-nitro-10-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-b:7,8-b']difuran (**4af**)



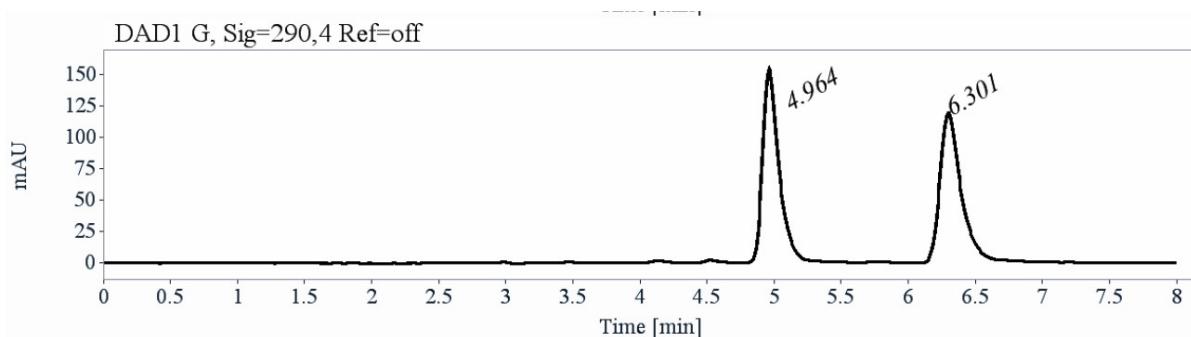
Molecular Weight: 514,3750

Prepared following general procedure using **3a** (35 mg) and **2f** (26 mg) for 4 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:49 to 3:97) to yield a white solid (32 mg, 0.063 mmol, 63%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.46 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +227°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.05 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (tt, *J* = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.32 (m, 3H), 7.22 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 7.17 – 7.10 (m, 1H), 6.88 – 6.80 (m, 1H), 6.28 – 6.13 (m, 2H), 5.63 (d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (s, 1H), 2.65 – 2.48 (m, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.17 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 157.8, 156.8, 153.4, 136.9, 134.7, 133.3, 131.6, 130.8, 130.3, 129.5, 129.2, 129.0, 128.8, 128.3, 126.4, 125.8, 121.8, 121.1, 118.0, 115.4, 111.6, 111.4, 109.9, 55.7, 20.1, 13.0. MP = 84 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (*m/z*): [2M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>56</sub>H<sub>40</sub>Br<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 1137.0182, found 1137.0173.

**HPLC analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-2, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 290 nm) indicated **95% ee**, **t<sub>r1</sub>**: 4.97 min, **t<sub>r2</sub>**: 6.31 min

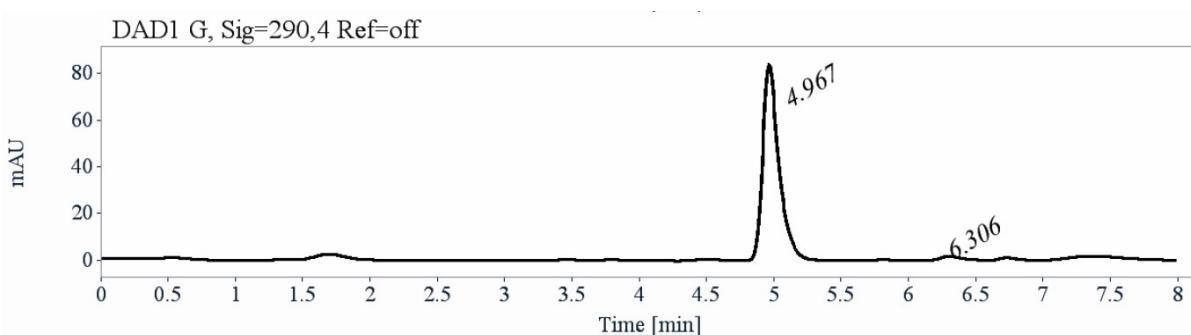
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4af**



**Signal:** DAD1 G, Sig=290,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.96	1301	50.01	0.68		
6.30	1301	49.99	1.14	1.66	5.55
Sum	2602	100.00			

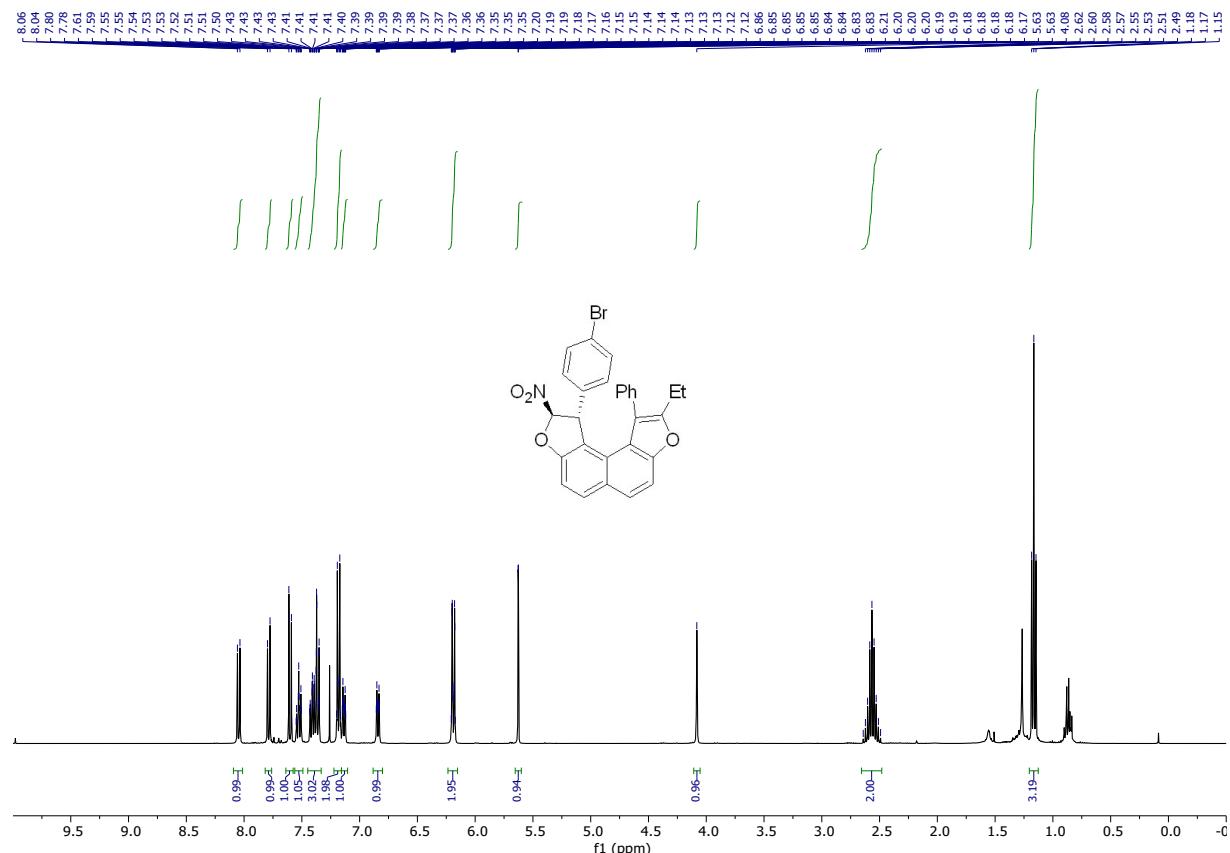
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4af**



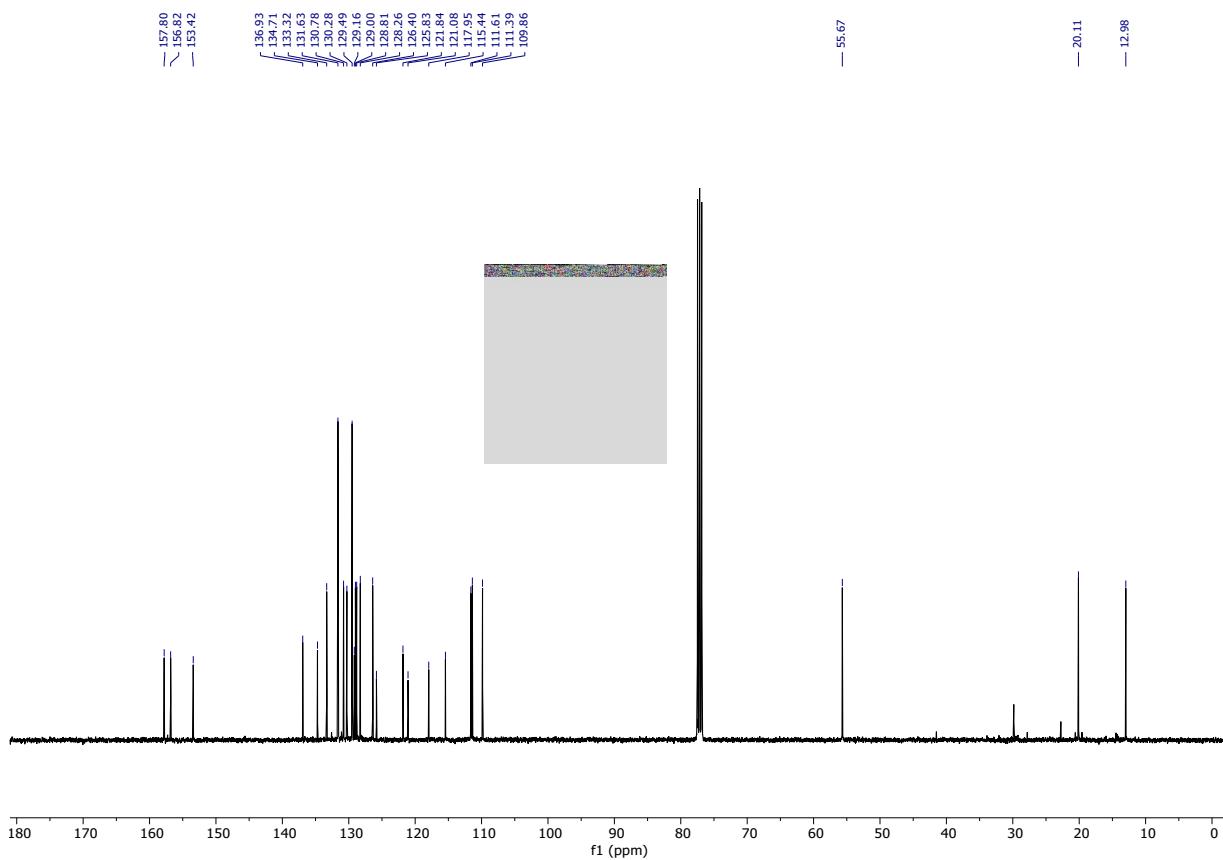
**Signal:** DAD1 G, Sig=290,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.97	701	97.45	0.68		
6.31	18	2.55	1.14	1.66	5.71
Sum	720	100.00			

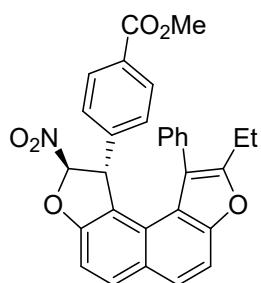
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4af** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4af** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



methyl 4-((1*R*,2*R*)-9-ethyl-2-nitro-10-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*:7,8-*b*']difuran-1-yl)benzoate  
**(4ag)**



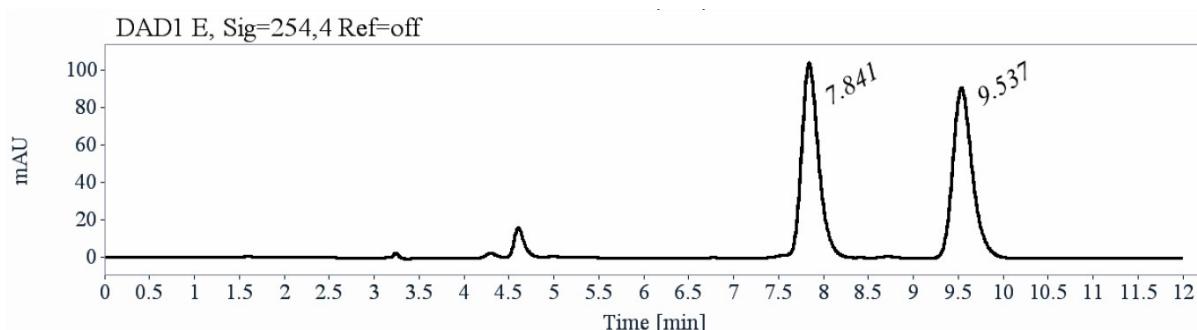
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Prepared following general procedure using **3a** (35 mg) and **2g** (24 mg) for 5 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 5:95) to yield a white solid (49 mg, 0.10 mmol, 99%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.30 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +216°, **1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ (ppm) 8.06 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 7.71 (m, 2H), 7.60 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (tt, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (tdd, J = 7.6, 1.5, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.16 – 7.12 (m, 1H), 6.77 – 6.72 (m, 1H), 6.44 – 6.40 (m, 2H), 5.68 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.20 (s, 1H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 2.54 (ddt, J = 16.5, 15.0, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.15 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H). **13C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ (ppm) 166.7, 157.9, 156.8, 153.4, 143.0, 134.7, 133.4, 130.8, 130.3, 129.8, 129.7, 129.2, 129.1, 128.8, 128.3, 127.9, 126.4, 125.9, 121.1, 117.9, 115.3, 111.5, 111.4, 109.9, 56.1, 52.2, 20.1, 13.0. **MP** = 192 °C, **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z)**: [2M+Ag]<sup>+</sup>

calculated for  $C_{60}H_{46}N_2O_{12}Ag^+$  1095.2107, found 1095.2103. **HPLC analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated **93% ee**,  $t_r\text{,1}$ : 7.80 min,  $t_r\text{,2}$ : 9.49 min

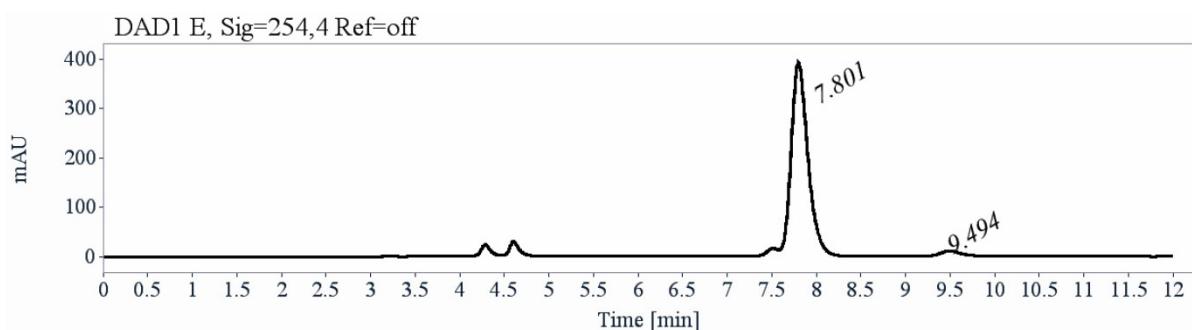
Chiral HPLC spectrum of ***rac*-4ag**



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
7.84	1377	50.00	1.66		
9.54	1377	50.00	2.23	1.35	4.67
Sum	2754	100.00			

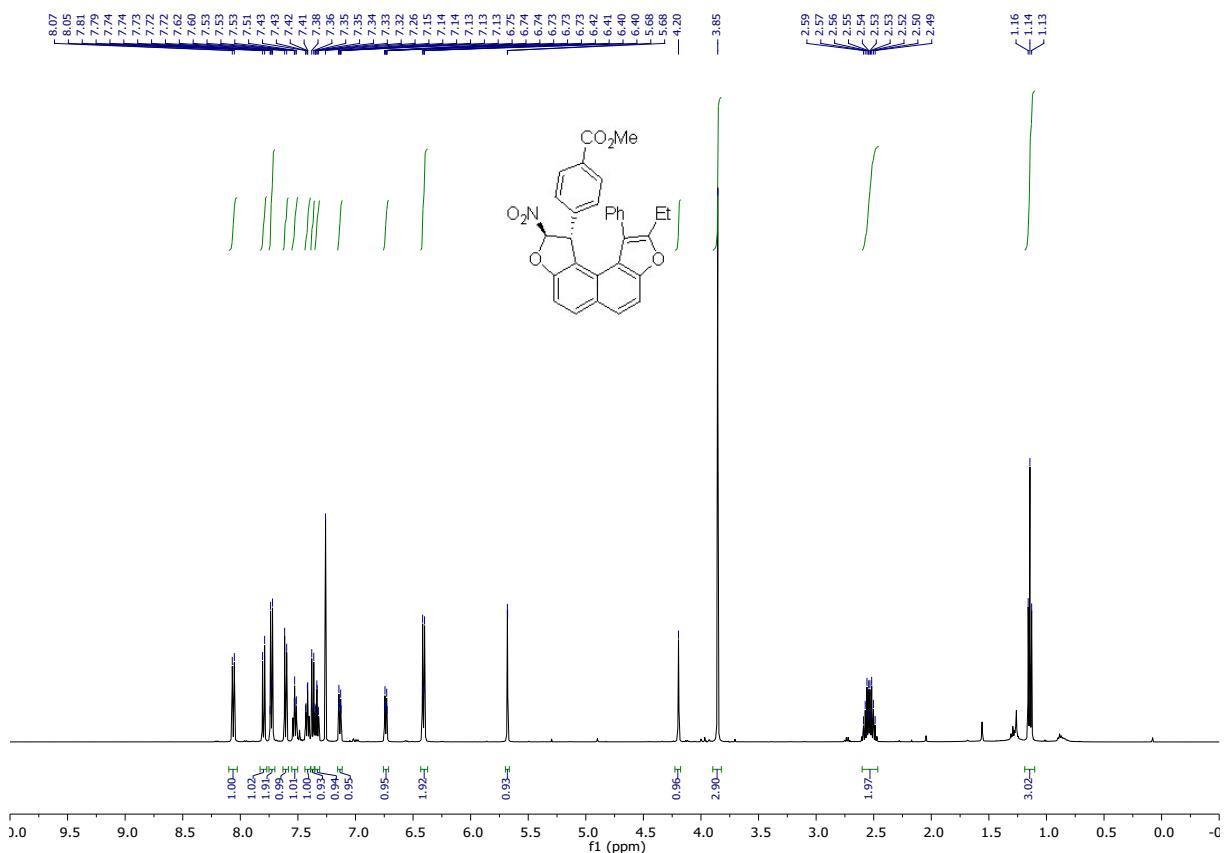
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ag**



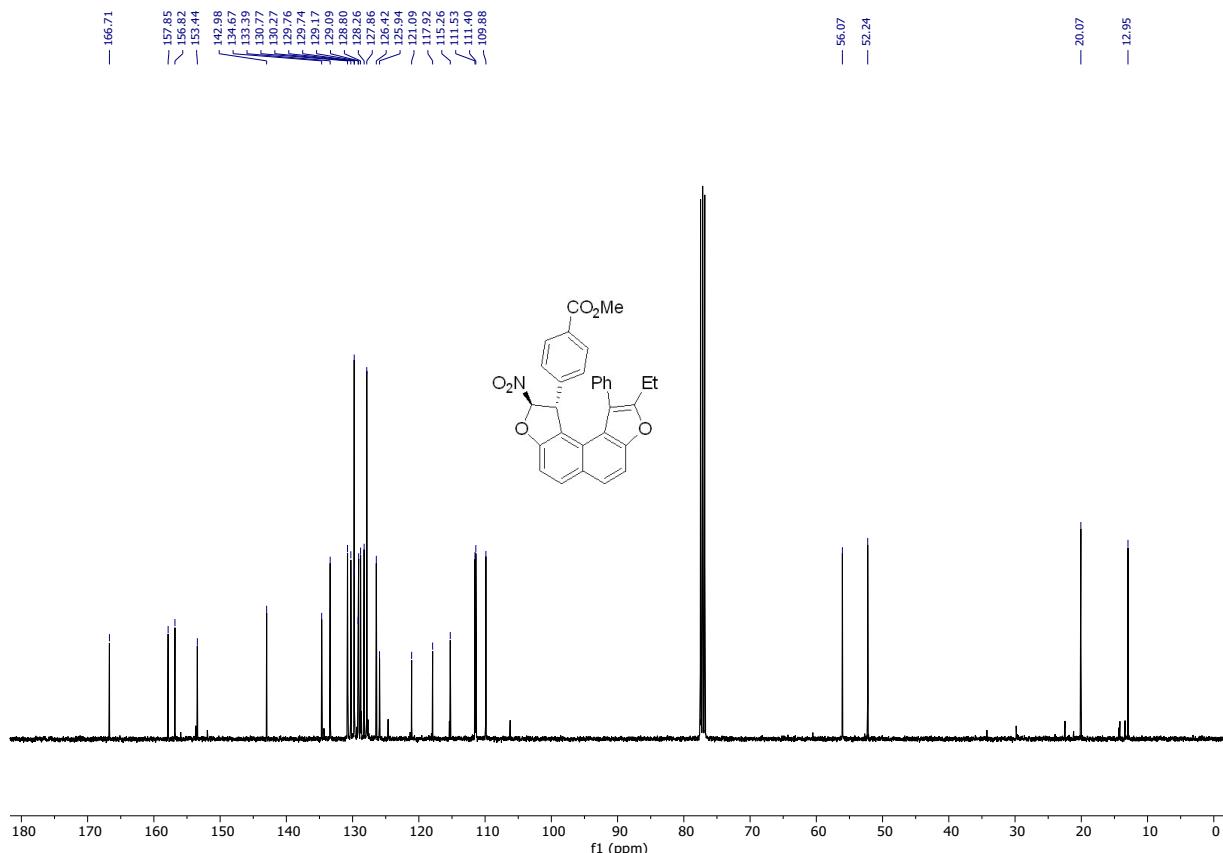
Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
7.80	5092	96.50	1.64		
9.49	185	3.50	2.22	1.35	4.52
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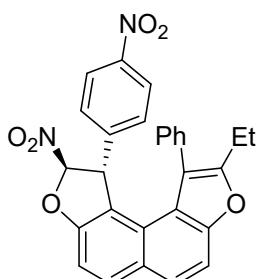
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ag** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ag** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*R*,2*R*)-9-ethyl-2-nitro-1-(4-nitrophenyl)-10-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*:7,8-*b*']difuran (**4ah**)



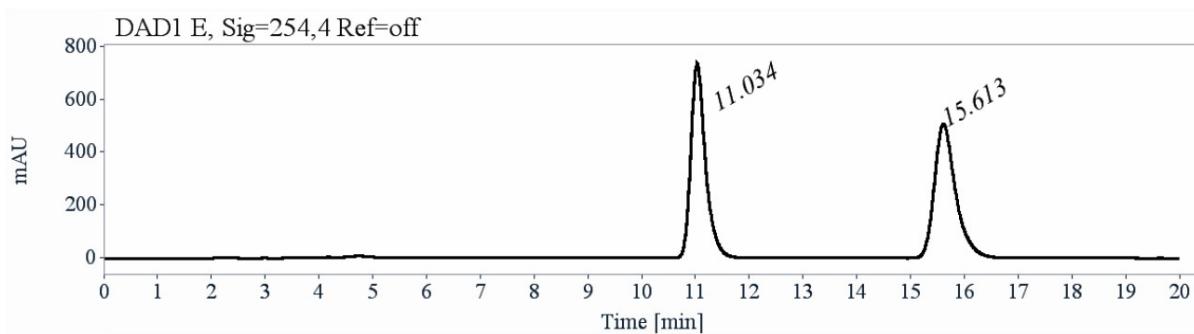
Molecular Weight: 480,4760

Prepared following general procedure using **3a** (35 mg) and **2h** (23 mg) for 4 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 3:47 to 2:23) to yield a brown solid (46 mg, 0.095 mmol, 95%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.28 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +270°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.09 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.97 – 7.88 (m, 2H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (tt, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.44 (tdd, J = 7.5, 1.5, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.42 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.19 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 6.80 – 6.72 (m, 1H), 6.56 – 6.47 (m, 2H), 5.66 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.29 (s, 1H), 2.65 – 2.45 (m, 2H), 1.15 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 157.9, 157.1, 153.6, 147.6, 145.2, 134.7, 133.8, 130.9, 130.1, 129.3, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.5, 126.6, 125.7, 123.7, 120.9, 117.7, 114.6, 111.6, 111.0, 110.0, 55.9, 20.1, 13.0. MP = 144 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>-</sup> (m/z): [M-H]<sup>-</sup> calculated for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub><sup>-</sup> 479.1249, found

479.1250. HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-2, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated 93% ee,  $t_{r,1}$ : 11.04 min,  $t_{r,2}$ : 15.61 min

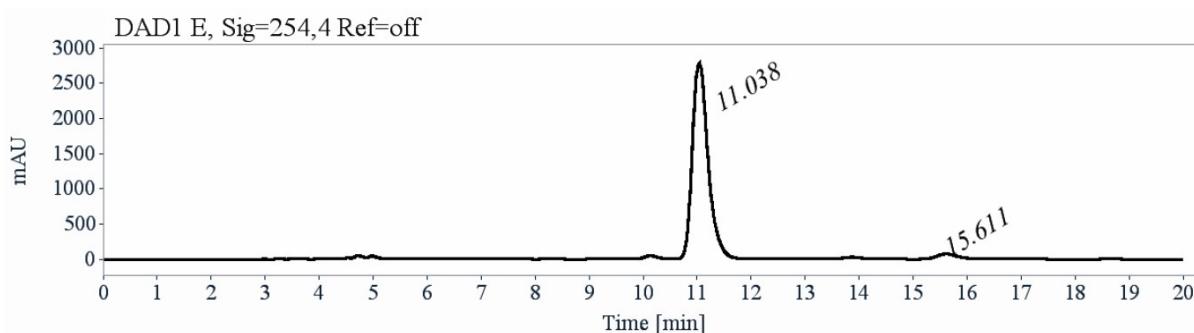
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4ah**



**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
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15.61	13972	49.95	4.29	1.57	7.81
Sum	27969	100.00			

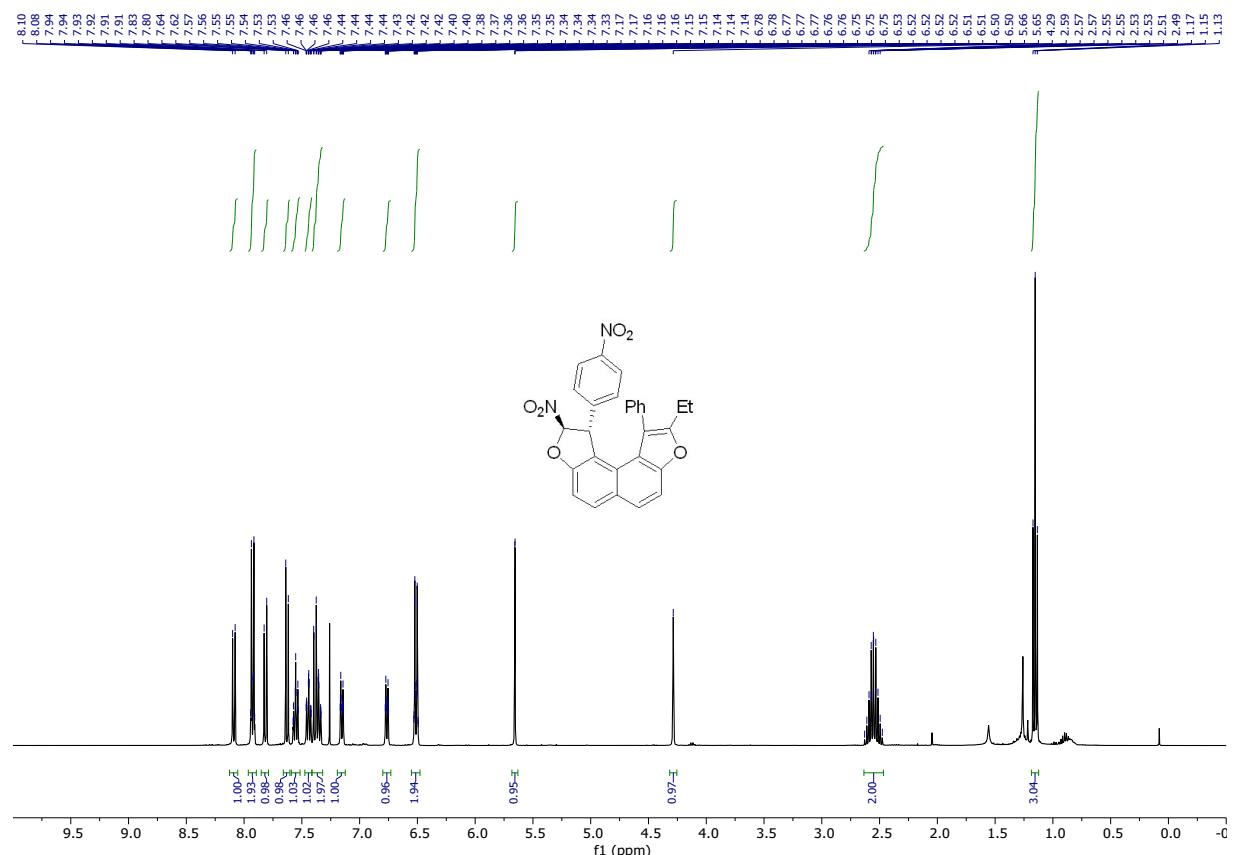
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ah**



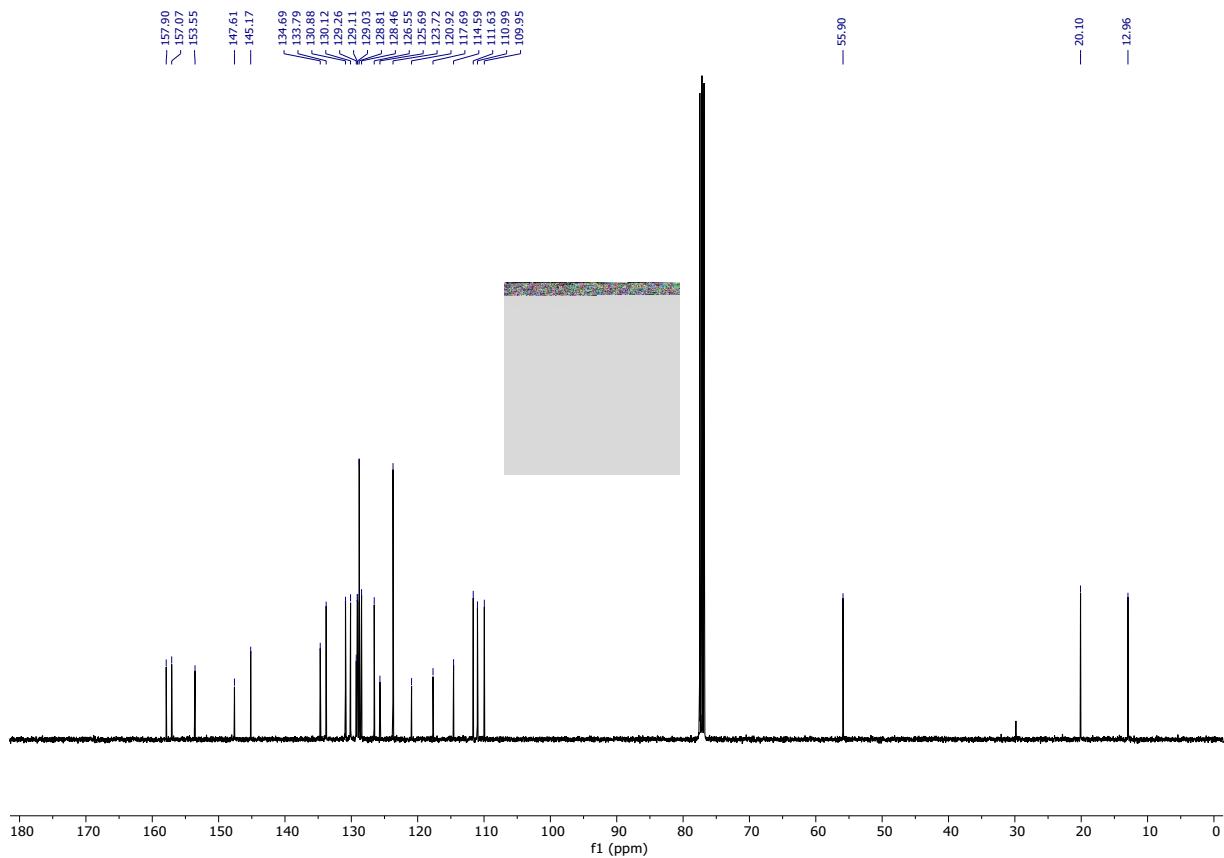
**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
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15.61	2002	3.42	4.29	1.57	7.70
Sum	58530	100.00			

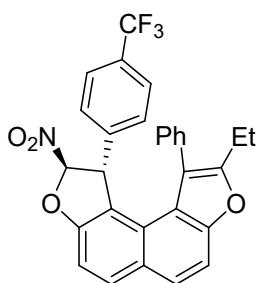
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ah** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ah** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*R*,2*R*)-9-ethyl-2-nitro-10-phenyl-1-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*:7,8-*b'*]difuran (**4ai**)



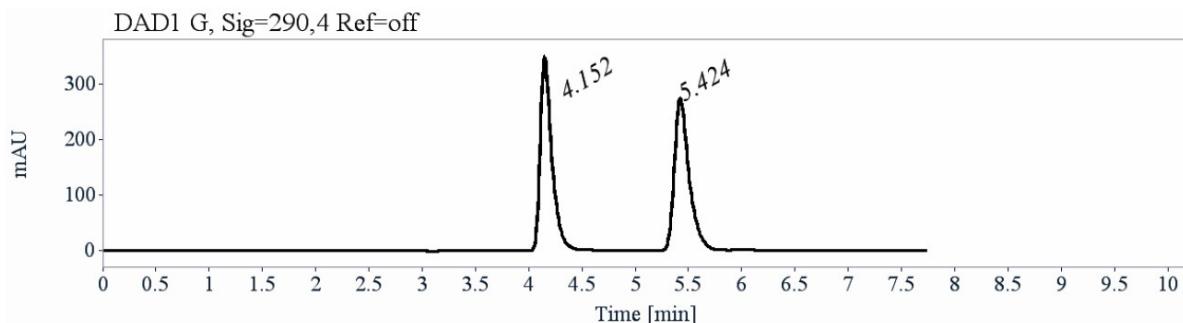
Molecular Weight: 503,4772

Prepared following general procedure using **3a** (35 mg) and **2i** (25 mg) for 4 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 3:97 to 1:24) to yield a white solid (50 mg, 0.098 mmol, 98%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.49 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +213°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.07 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (tt, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (td, J = 7.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.40 – 7.31 (m, 4H), 7.15 (dt, J = 7.7, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.77 (dt, J = 7.5, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.46 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 5.66 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.23 (s, 1H), 2.65 – 2.48 (m, 2H), 1.16 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 157.9, 156.9, 153.5, 141.9, 134.7, 133.5, 130.8, 130.2, 130.2 (q, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 32.6 Hz), 129.2, 129.0, 128.9, 128.3, 128.2, 126.5, 125.9, 125.5 (q, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 3.8 Hz), 124.0 (q, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 272.2 Hz), 121.1, 117.9, 115.1, 111.5, 111.5, 109.9, 55.9, 20.1, 13.0. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (282 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)

$\delta$  (ppm) -62.67. MP = 185 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (*m/z*): [M-H]<sup>-</sup> calculated for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> 502.1272, found 502.1271. HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-2, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 290 nm) indicated 95% ee, t<sub>r,1</sub>: 4.15 min, t<sub>r,2</sub>: 5.42 min

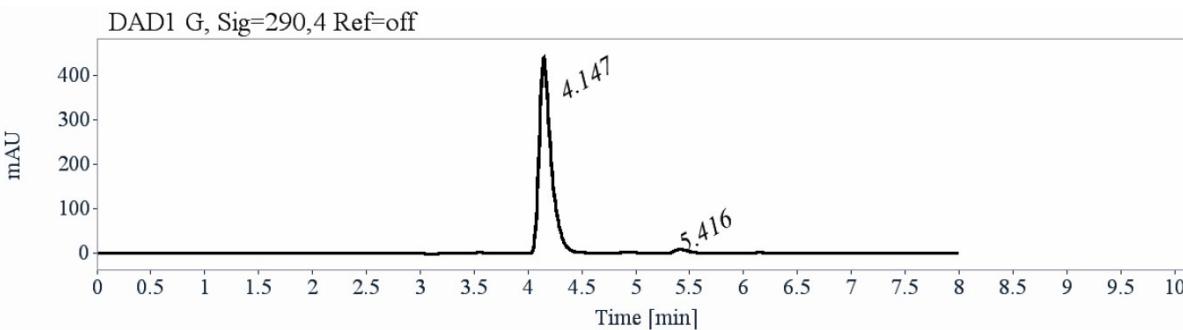
#### Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-4ai



Signal: DAD1 G, Sig=290,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.15	2620	49.99	0.41		
5.42	2621	50.01	0.84	2.06	5.89
Sum	5241	100.00			

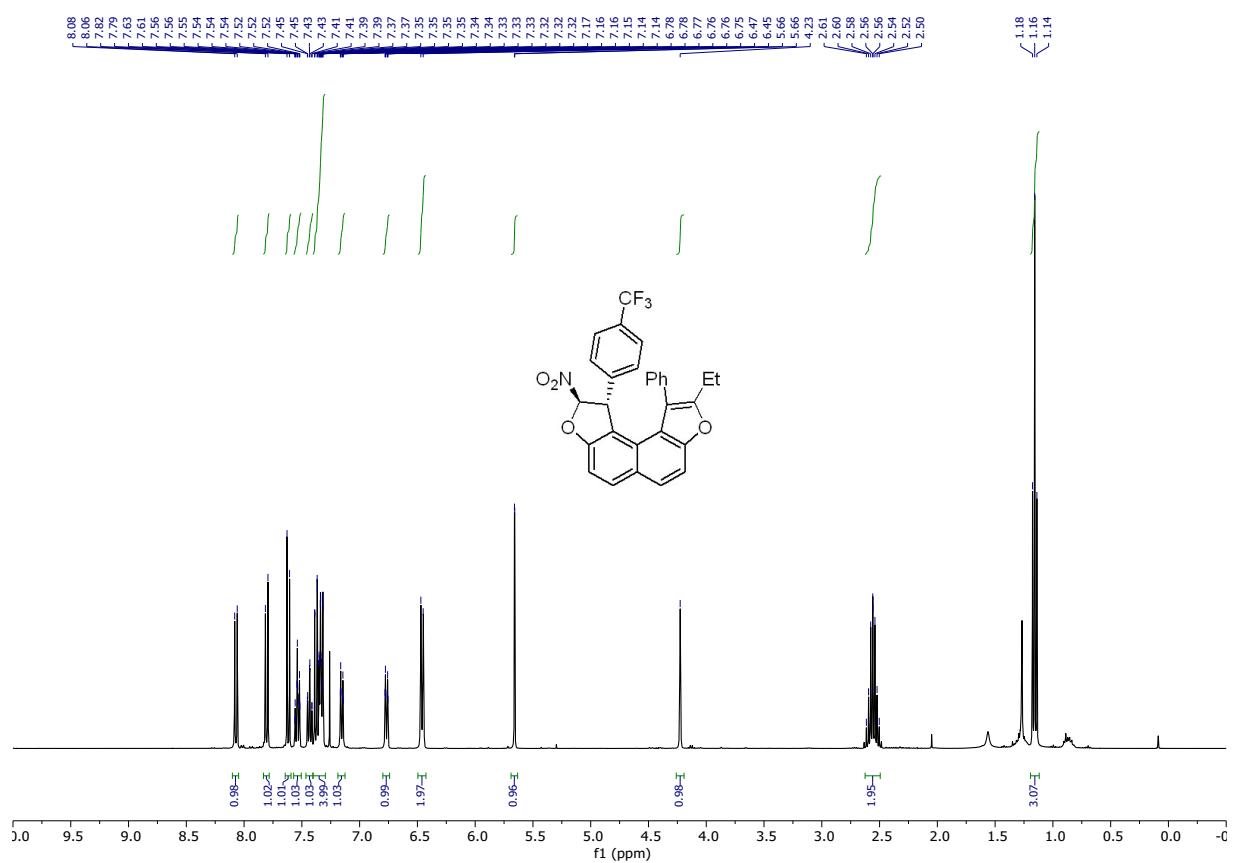
#### Chiral HPLC spectrum of 4ai



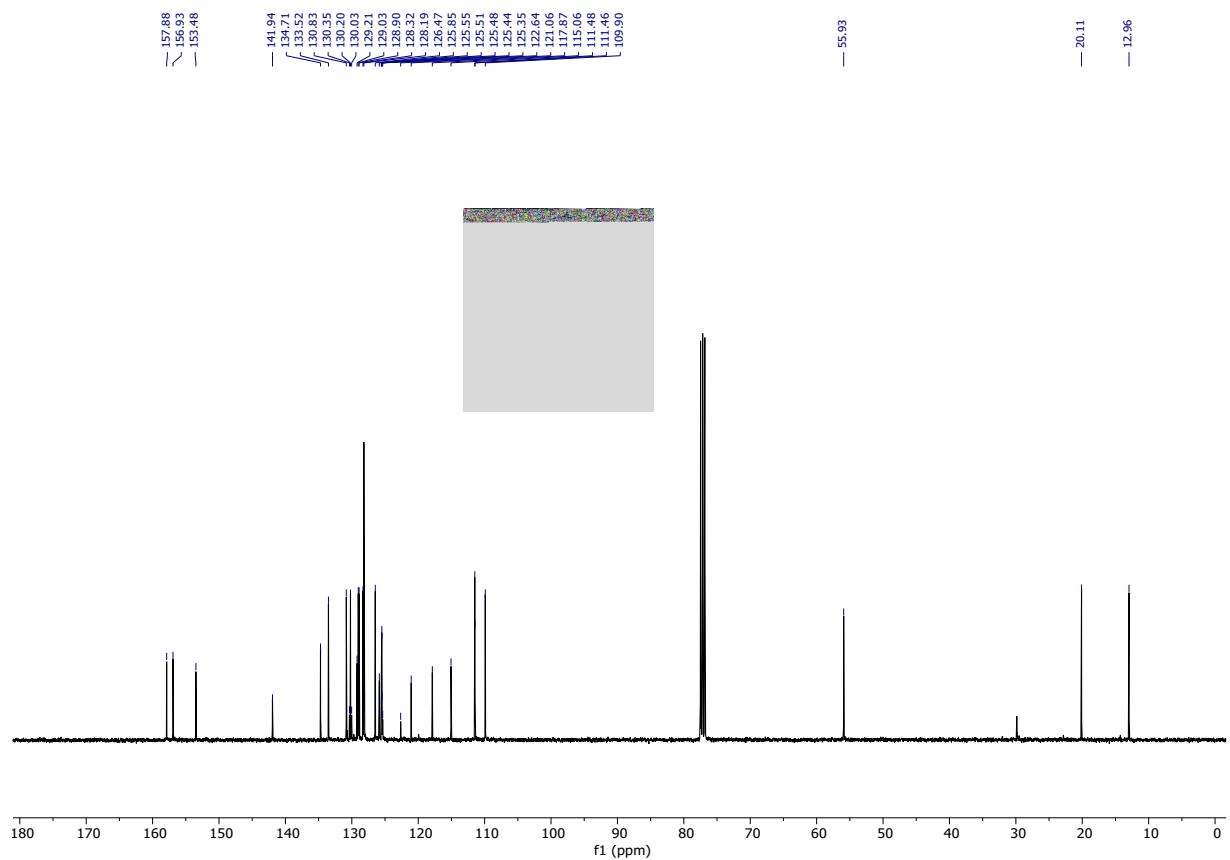
Signal: DAD1 G, Sig=290,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.15	3352	97.37	0.41		
5.42	91	2.63	0.84	2.06	5.77
Sum	3443	100.00			

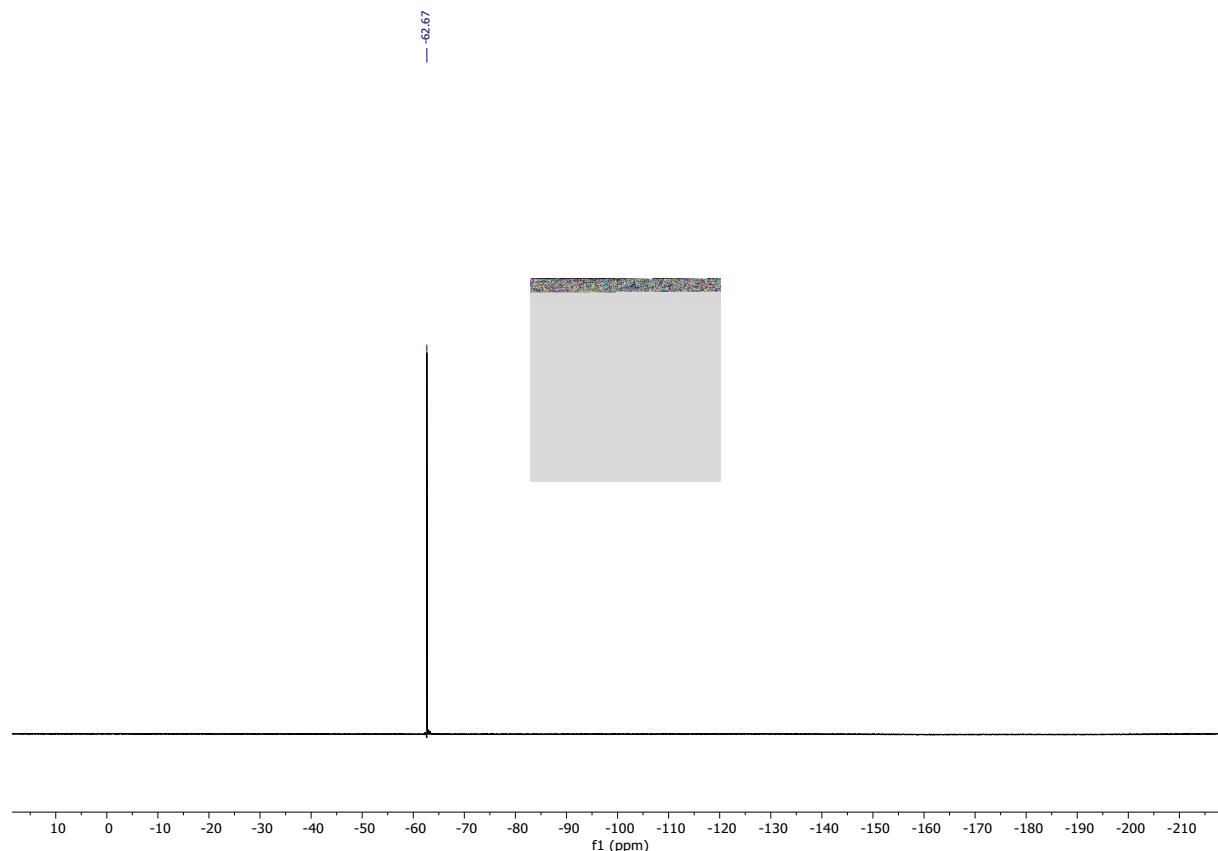
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ai** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



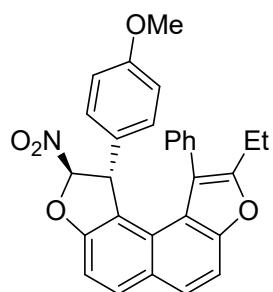
<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ai** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum of **4ai** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*R*,2*R*)-9-ethyl-1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-nitro-10-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*:7,8-*b'*]difuran (**4aj**)



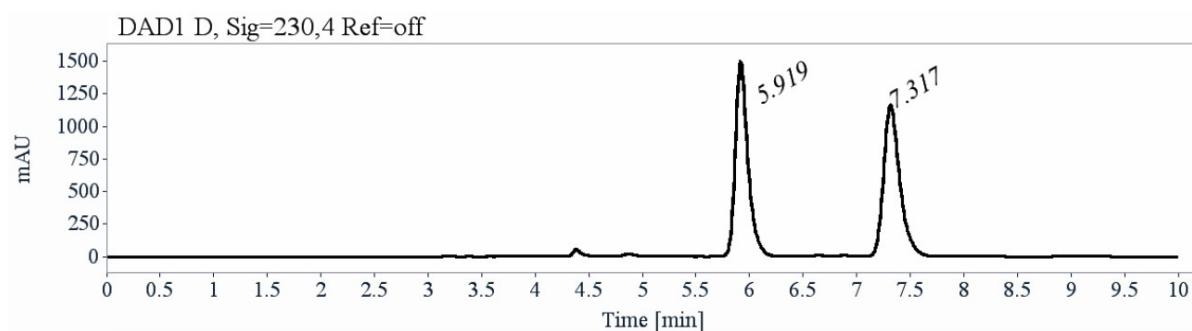
Molecular Weight: 465,5050

Prepared following general procedure using **3a** (35 mg) and **2j** (21 mg) for 7 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:24) to yield an orange solid (19 mg, 0.041 mmol, 41%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.41 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +153°, **1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ (ppm) 8.03 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (tt, J = 7.4, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.45 – 7.33 (m, 3H), 7.13 (dq, J = 7.7, 1.3, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 6.92 – 6.80 (m, 1H), 6.64 – 6.54 (m, 2H), 6.27 – 6.16 (m, 2H), 5.64 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.03 (s, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 2.56 (qd, J = 7.5, 5.8 Hz, 2H), 1.16 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H). **13C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ (ppm) 159.1, 157.7, 156.6, 153.3, 134.8, 133.0, 130.7, 130.4, 129.8, 129.1, 128.9, 128.7, 128.1, 126.3, 126.0, 121.2, 118.2, 116.4, 113.8, 112.2, 111.2, 109.8, 55.6, 55.3, 20.1, 13.0. **MP** = 69 °C, **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z)**: [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 572.0622, found

572.0619. HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 230 nm) indicated 95% ee,  $t_r$ <sub>1</sub>: 5.91 min,  $t_r$ <sub>2</sub>: 7.31 min

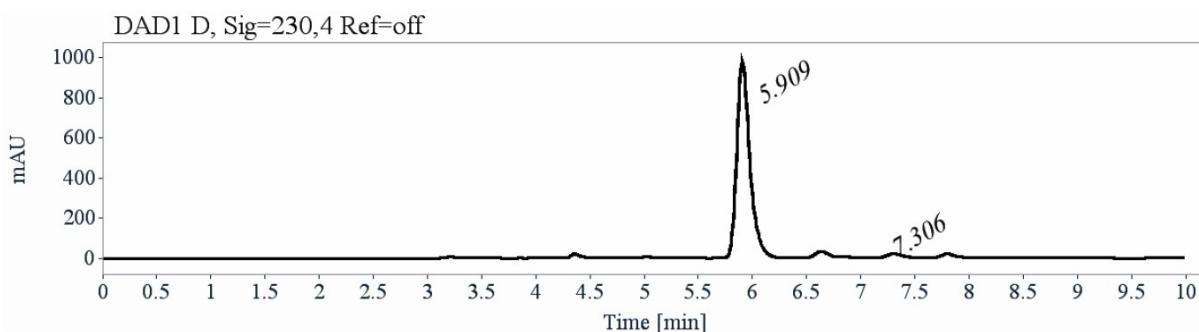
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4aj**



Signal: DAD1 D, Sig=230,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
5.92	12279	50.11	1.01		
7.32	12223	49.89	1.48	1.47	5.86
Sum	24502	100.00			

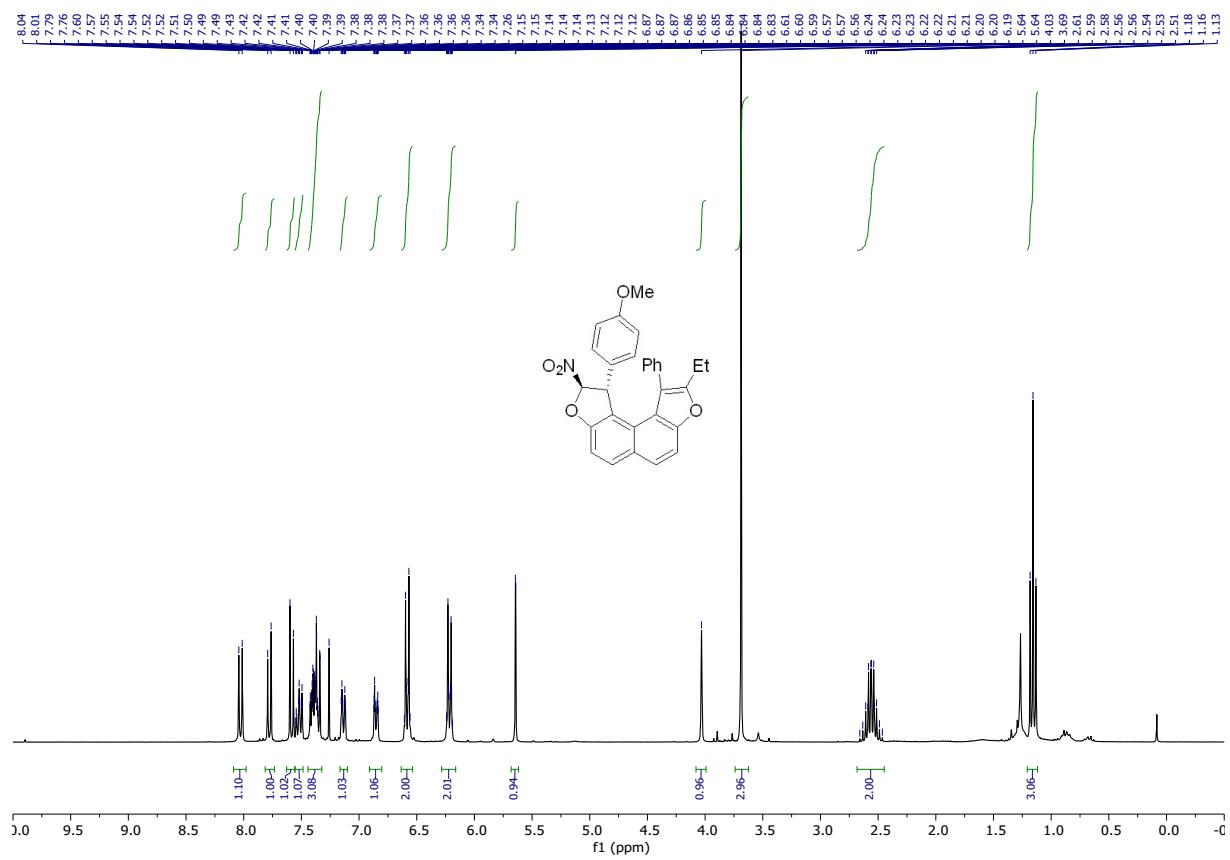
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4aj**



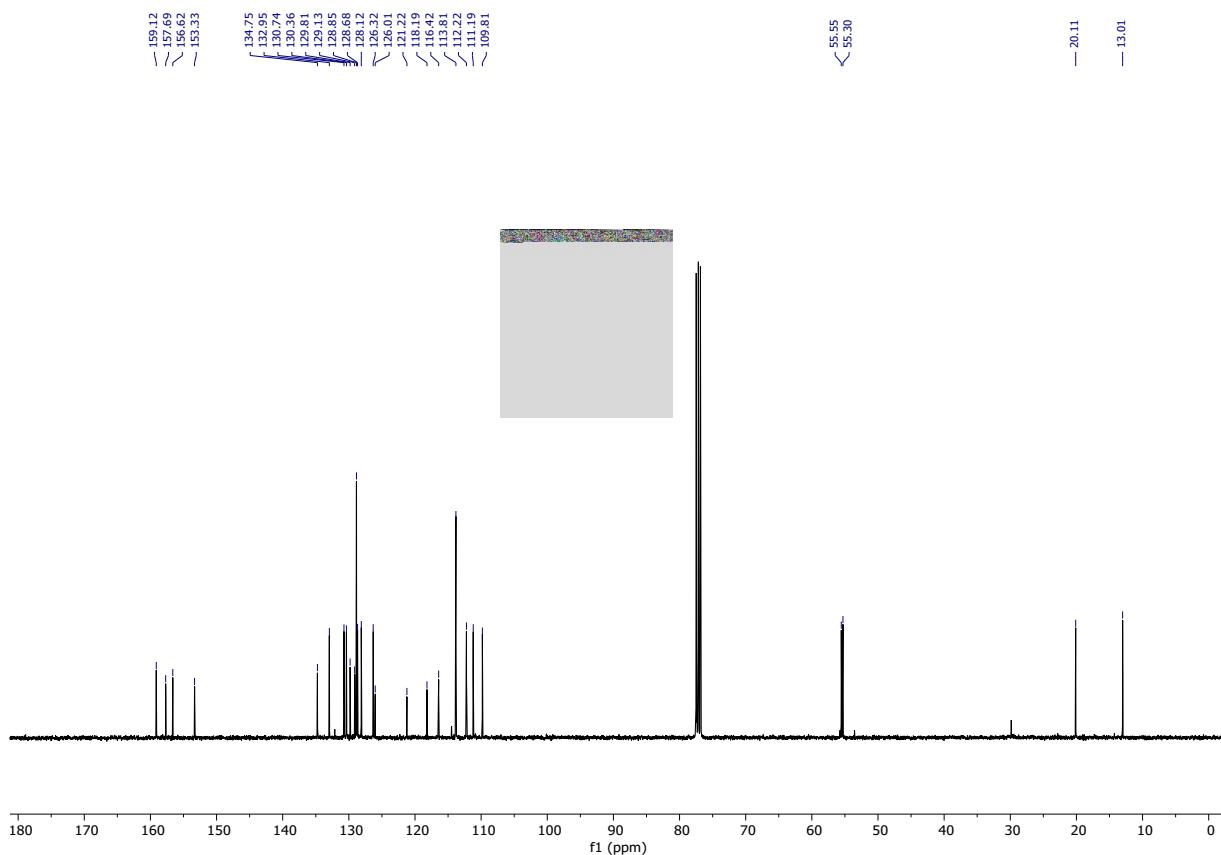
Signal: DAD1 D, Sig=230,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
5.91	8227	97.54	1.00		
7.31	208	2.46	1.48	1.47	5.89
Sum	8435	100.00			

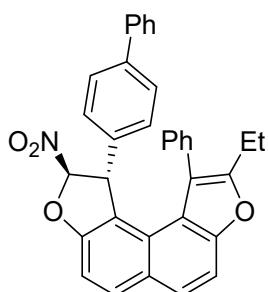
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4aj** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4aj** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*R*,2*R*)-1-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-9-ethyl-2-nitro-10-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*:7,8-*b'*]difuran  
**(4ak)**



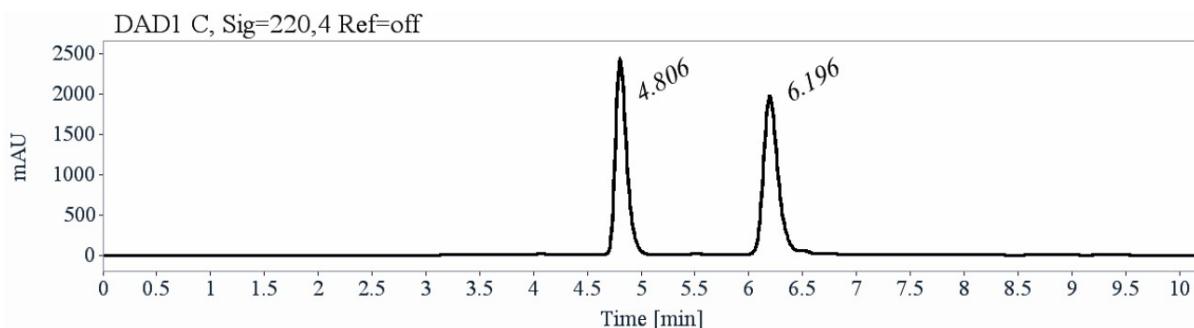
Molecular Weight: 511,5770

Prepared following general procedure using **3a** (35 mg) and **2k** (26 mg) for 8 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 3:97 to 1:24) to yield a white solid (35 mg, 0.068 mmol, 68%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.40 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +263°, **1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ** (ppm) 8.06 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (tt, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.34 (m, 7H), 7.36 – 7.26 (m, 3H), 7.17 (dt, J = 7.6, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.86 (dt, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.45 – 6.35 (m, 2H), 5.74 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (s, 1H), 2.57 (ddt, J = 16.5, 15.0, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.16 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H). **13C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ** (ppm) 157.81, 156.70, 153.37, 140.59, 140.42, 136.88, 134.75, 133.11, 130.76, 130.40, 129.15, 128.99, 128.90, 128.73, 128.17, 127.56, 127.11, 127.02,

126.37, 126.07, 121.25, 118.15, 115.99, 112.03, 111.27, 109.87, 55.92, 20.11, 13.00. **MP** = 144 °C, **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z)**: [2M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>68</sub>H<sub>50</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 1131.2626, found 1131.2608. **HPLC analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 220 nm) indicated **95% ee**, **t<sub>1</sub>**: 4.81 min, **t<sub>2</sub>**: 6.20 min

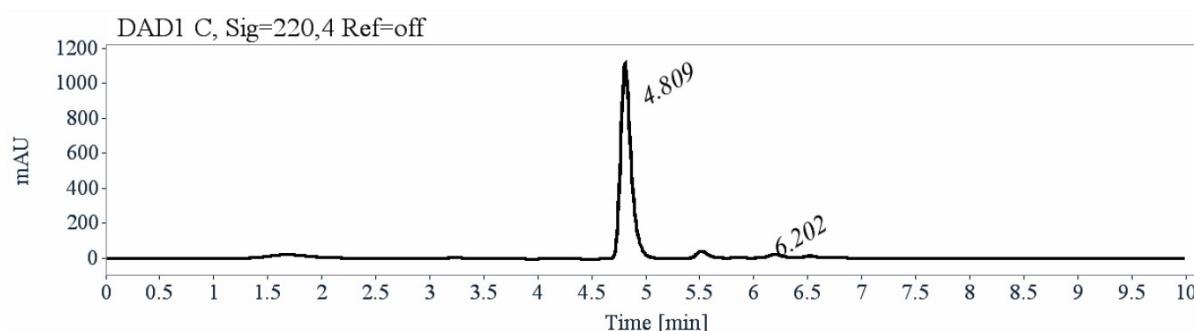
#### Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-4ak



**Signal:** DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.81	17806	49.16	0.63		
6.20	18412	50.84	1.10	1.75	6.59
Sum	36218	100.00			

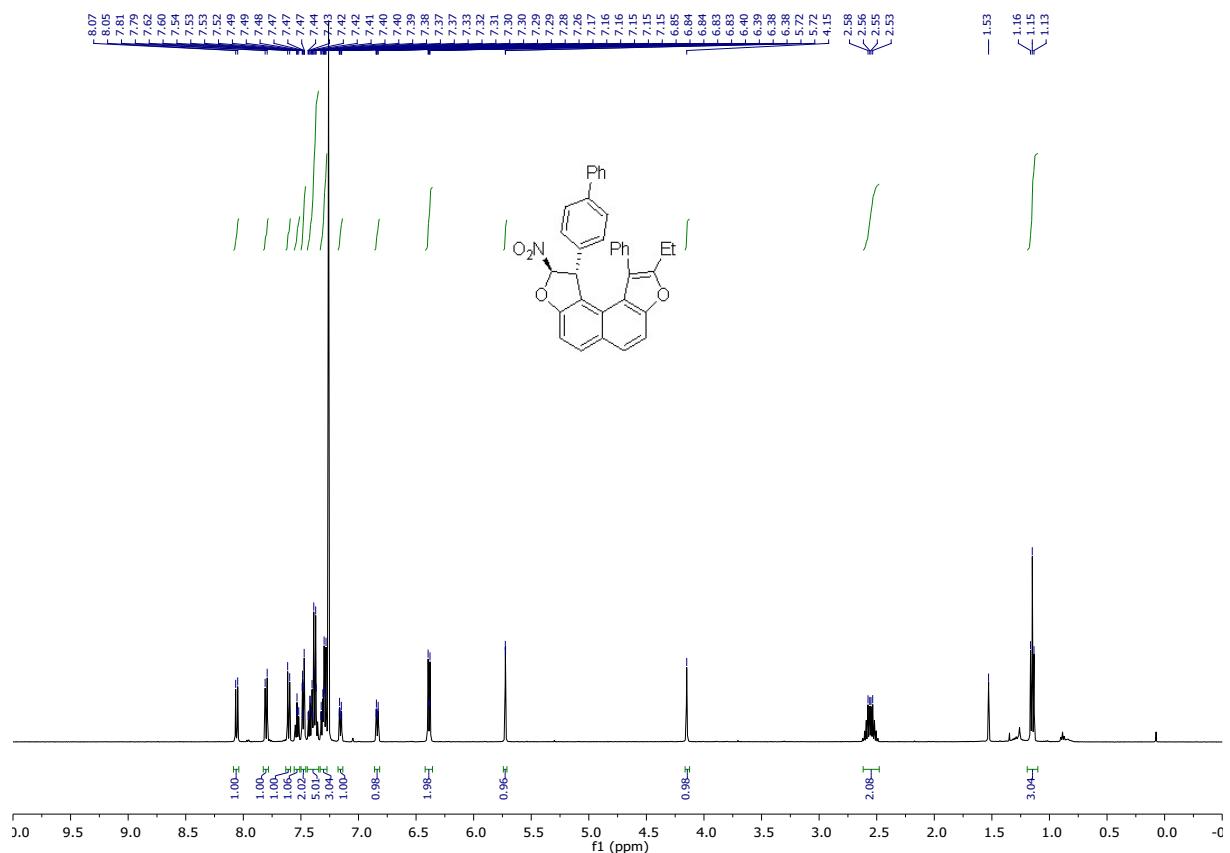
#### Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-4ak



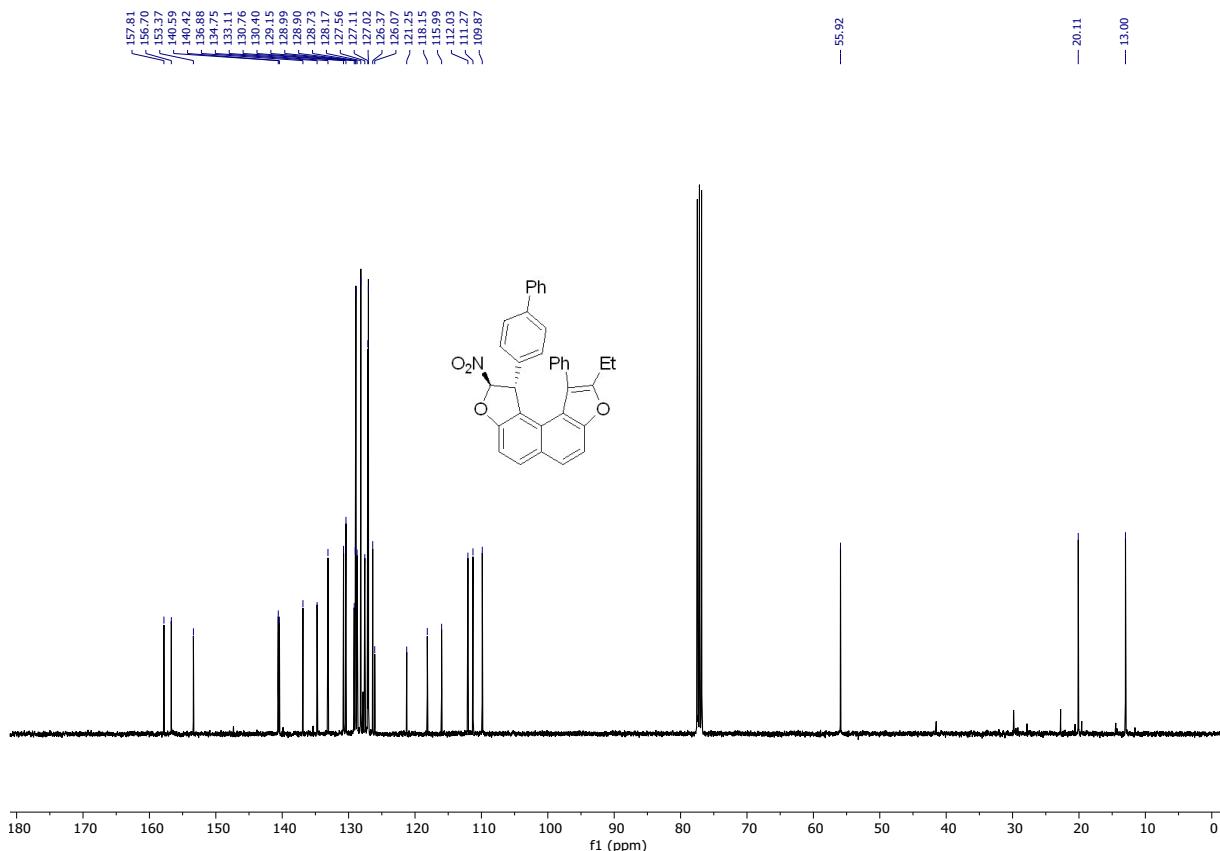
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RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.81	7631	97.74	0.63		
6.20	176	2.26	1.10	1.75	6.96
Sum	7808	100.00			

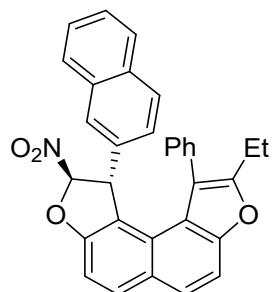
<sup>13</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ak** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ak** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



*(1R,2R)-9-ethyl-1-(naphthalen-2-yl)-2-nitro-10-phenyl-1,2-dihydronephtho[2,1-b:7,8-b']difuran (4ak)*



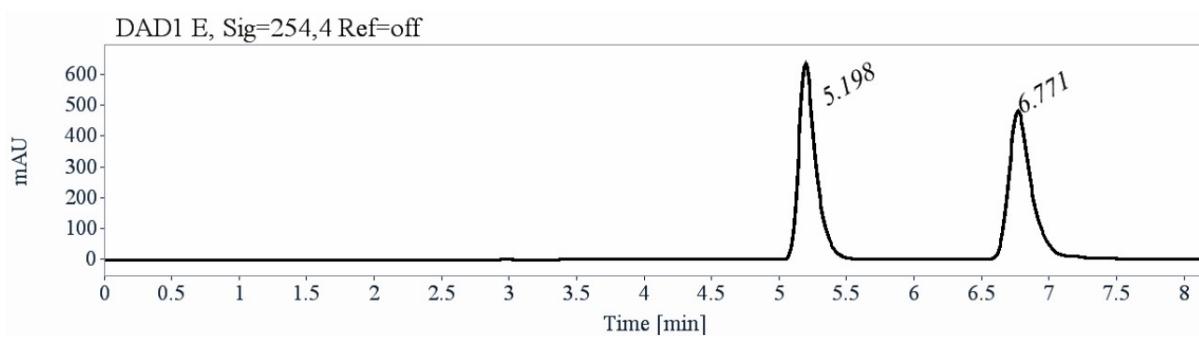
Molecular Weight: 485,5390

Prepared following general procedure using **3a** (35 mg) and **2I** (23 mg) for 8 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:49 to 3:97) to yield a white solid (32 mg, 0.066 mmol, 66%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.44 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +284°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.09 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.51 (m, 3H), 7.48 – 7.32 (m, 6H), 7.20 – 7.16 (m, 1H), 6.72 – 6.68 (m, 1H), 6.61 – 6.55 (m, 2H), 5.74 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.28 (s, 1H), 2.50 (ddt, J = 19.8, 15.1, 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.10 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 157.9, 156.7, 153.4, 135.3, 134.8, 133.2, 133.0, 132.9, 130.8, 130.5, 129.2, 128.9, 128.8, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.6, 126.6, 126.4, 126.3, 126.3, 126.1, 126.0, 121.2, 118.1, 116.0, 111.9, 111.3, 109.9, 56.4, 20.1, 12.9. MP = 160 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 592.0673, found

592.0670. HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-2, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated 95% ee,  $t_r$ <sub>1</sub>: 5.20 min,  $t_r$ <sub>2</sub>: 6.77 min

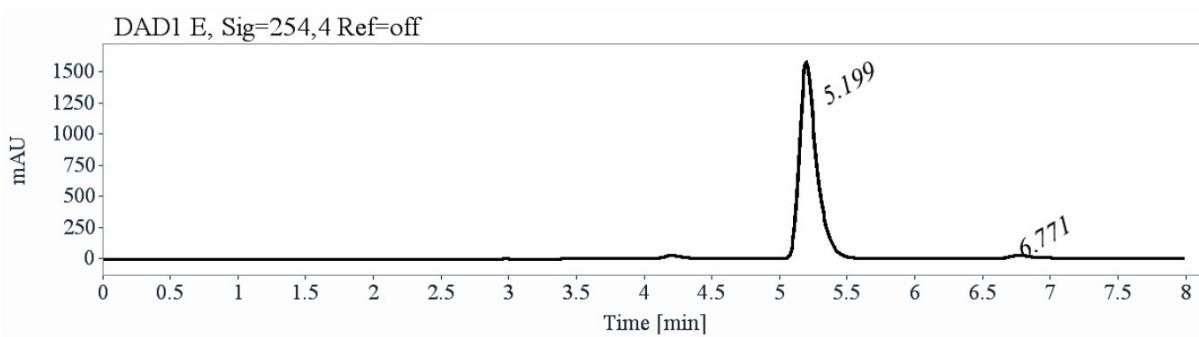
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4al**



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
5.20	5590	49.81	0.76		
6.77	5633	50.19	1.30	1.70	6.11
Sum	11223	100.00			

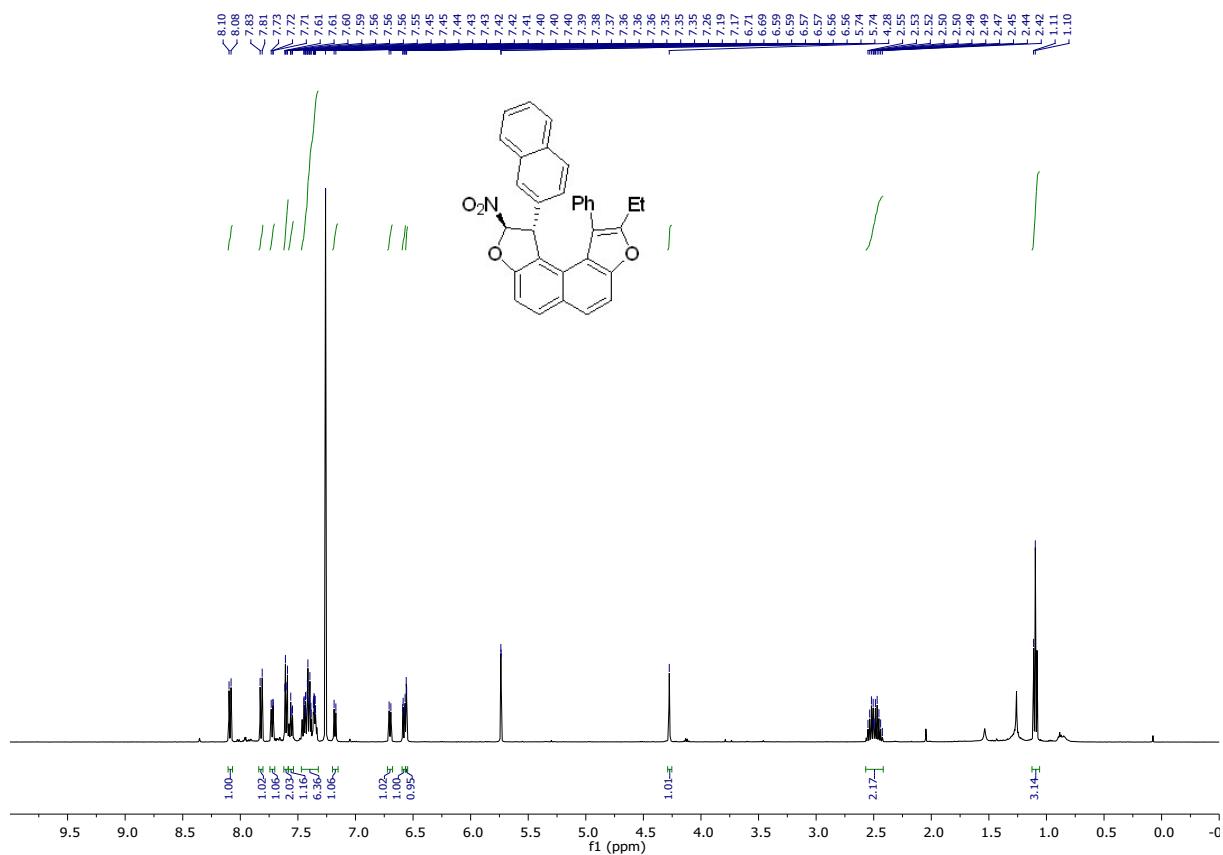
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4al**



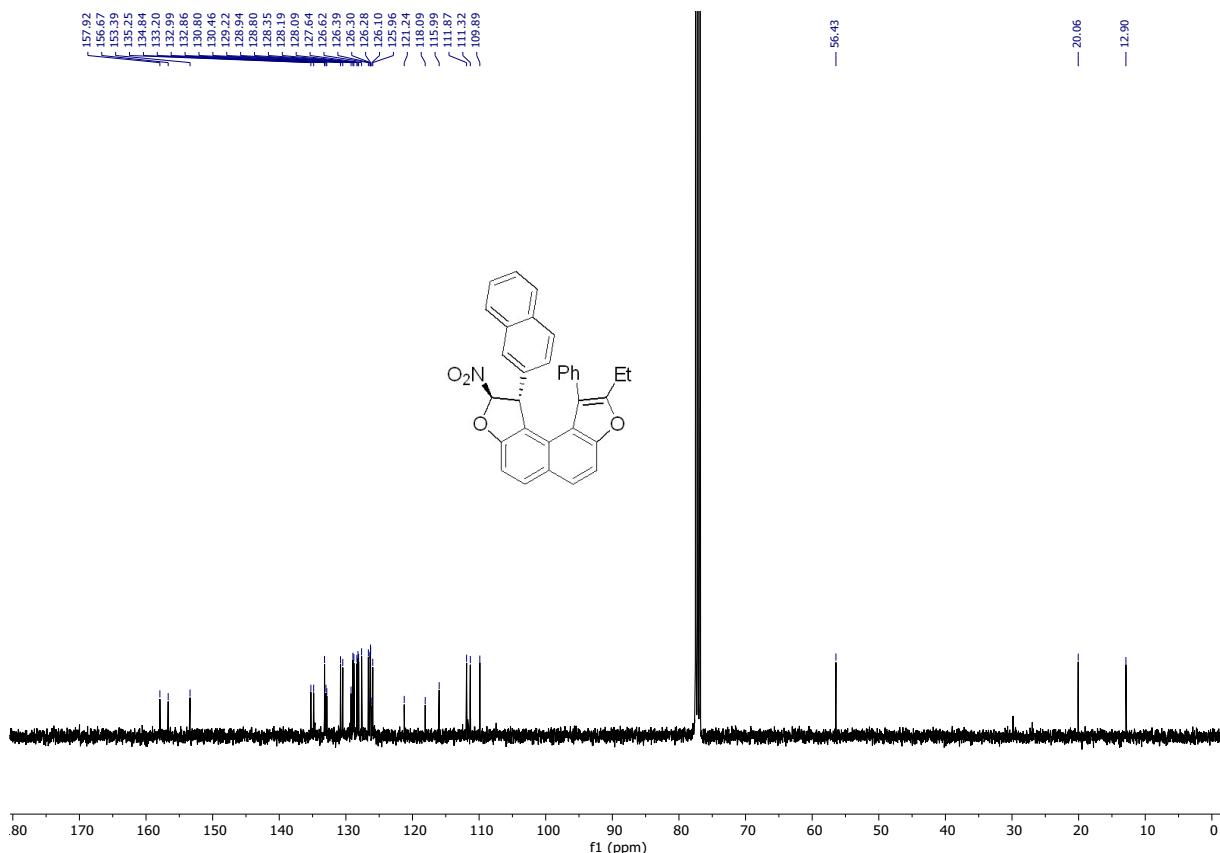
Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
5.20	13920	97.57	0.76		
6.77	346	2.43	1.30	1.70	6.14
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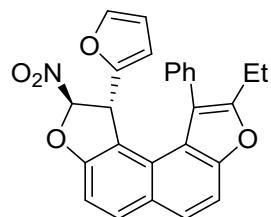
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4al** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4al** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*S*,2*R*)-9-ethyl-1-(furan-2-yl)-2-nitro-10-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphthalo[2,1-b:7,8-b']difuran (**4am**)

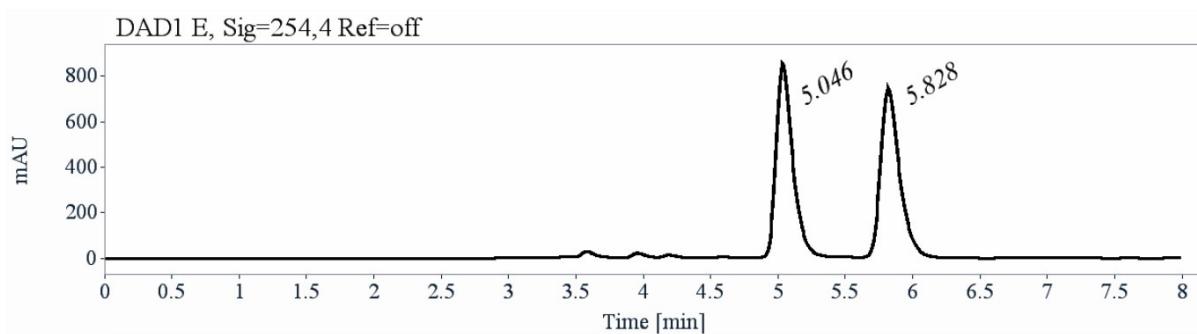


Molecular Weight: 425,4400

Prepared following general procedure using **3a** (35 mg) and **2m** (17 mg) for 10 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:49 to 1:24) to yield a yellow solid (11 mg, 0.027 mmol, 27%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.30 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +233°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.00 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.49 (tt, J = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (dtd, J = 15.0, 7.5, 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.33 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.18 (dt, J = 7.4, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.67 (dt, J = 7.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.05 (dd, J = 3.3, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.91 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (dt, J = 3.3, 1.1 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (s, 1H), 2.55 (qd, J = 7.5, 5.3 Hz, 2H), 1.18 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 157.5, 156.7, 153.2, 149.5, 142.3, 134.6, 133.3, 130.8, 130.1, 129.1, 128.7, 128.2, 128.1, 126.3, 125.8, 121.4, 118.2, 114.2, 111.3, 110.6, 109.9, 109.1, 108.6, 50.4, 20.2, 13.1. MP = 110 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [2M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>52</sub>H<sub>38</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>10</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 959.1580, found 959.1568. HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-2, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated 97% ee, t<sub>r,1</sub>: 5.04 min, t<sub>r,2</sub>: 5.82 min

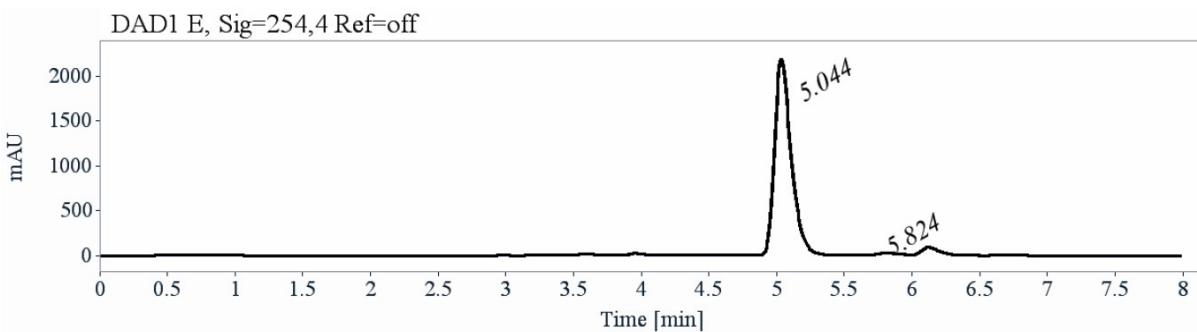
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4am**



**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
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5.83	7354	49.82	0.98	1.37	3.33
Sum	14761	100.00			

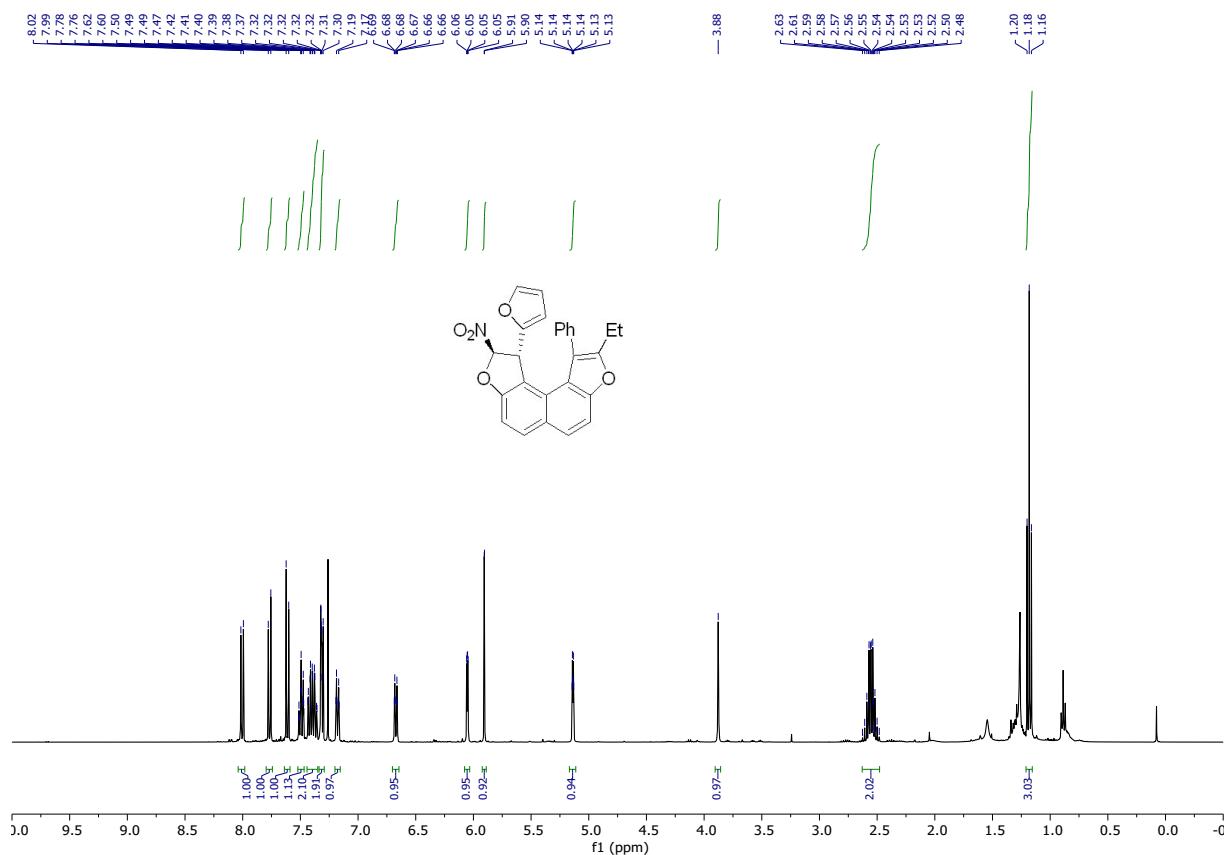
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4am**



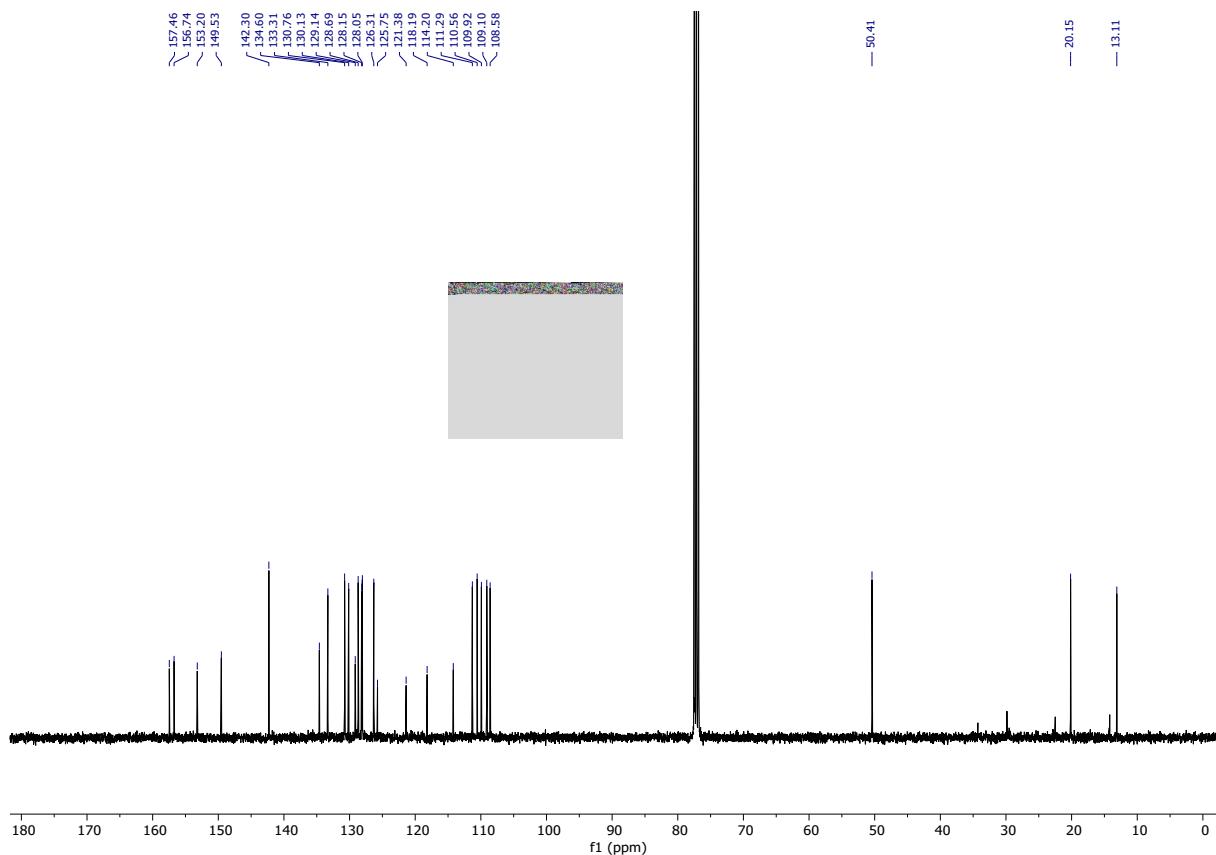
**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
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5.82	297	1.56	0.97	1.37	3.15
Sum	19041	100.00			

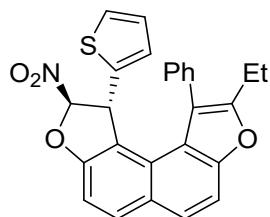
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4am** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4am** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



*(1R,2R)-9-ethyl-2-nitro-10-phenyl-1-(thiophen-2-yl)-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-b:7,8-b']difuran (**4an**)*

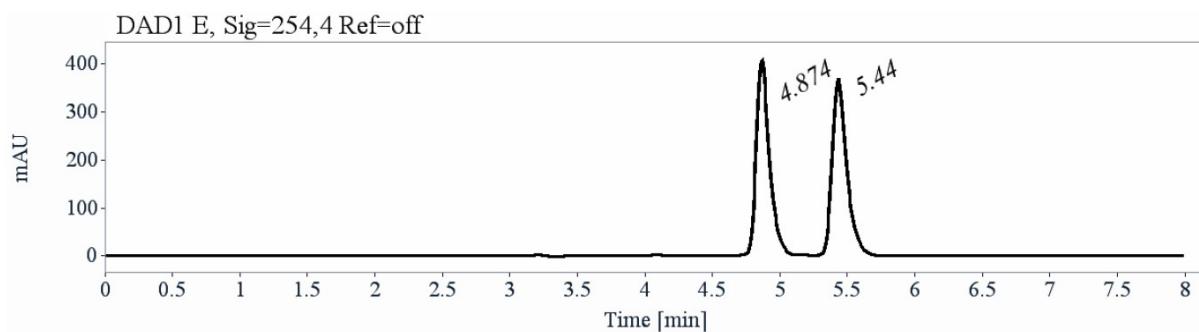


Molecular Weight: 441,5010

Prepared following general procedure using **3a** (35 mg) and **2n** (19 mg) for 10 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:49 to 1:24) to yield a light-yellow solid (16 mg, 0.035 mmol, 35%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.30 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +196°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.03 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (tt, J = 7.4, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.48 – 7.43 (m, 1H), 7.42 – 7.36 (m, 1H), 7.34 (dd, J = 8.7, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.15 – 7.11 (m, 1H), 7.06 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 6.70 (dd, J = 5.1, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.10 (dt, J = 3.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.76 (d, J = 0.9 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (s, 1H), 2.70 – 2.53 (m, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.19 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 157.3, 156.7, 153.4, 141.7, 134.6, 133.4, 130.6, 130.3, 129.2, 129.1, 128.8, 128.3, 126.9, 126.3, 126.2, 125.5, 125.4, 121.3, 118.2, 117.0, 111.5, 111.3, 109.9, 51.7, 20.1, 13.1. MP = 149 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [2M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>52</sub>H<sub>38</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub>S<sub>2</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 991.1120, found 991.1119. HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated 96% ee, t<sub>r,1</sub>: 4.87 min, t<sub>r,2</sub>: 5.44 min

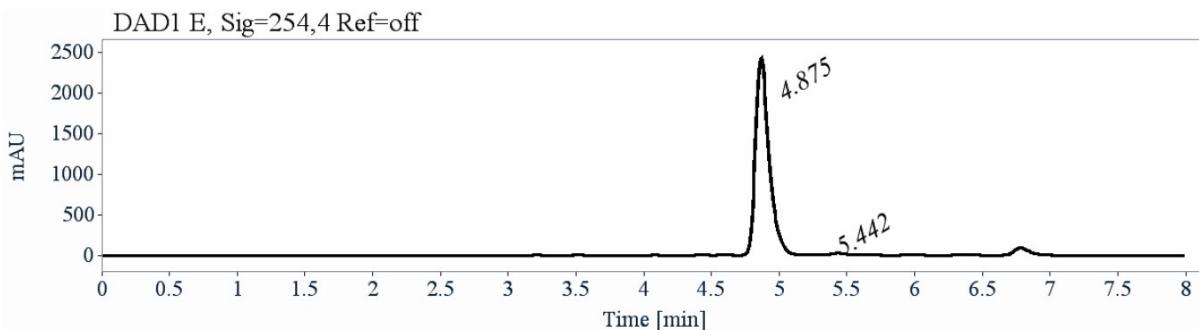
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4an**



**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.87	2798	50.05	0.65		
5.44	2792	49.95	0.84	1.29	3.13
Sum	5590	100.00			

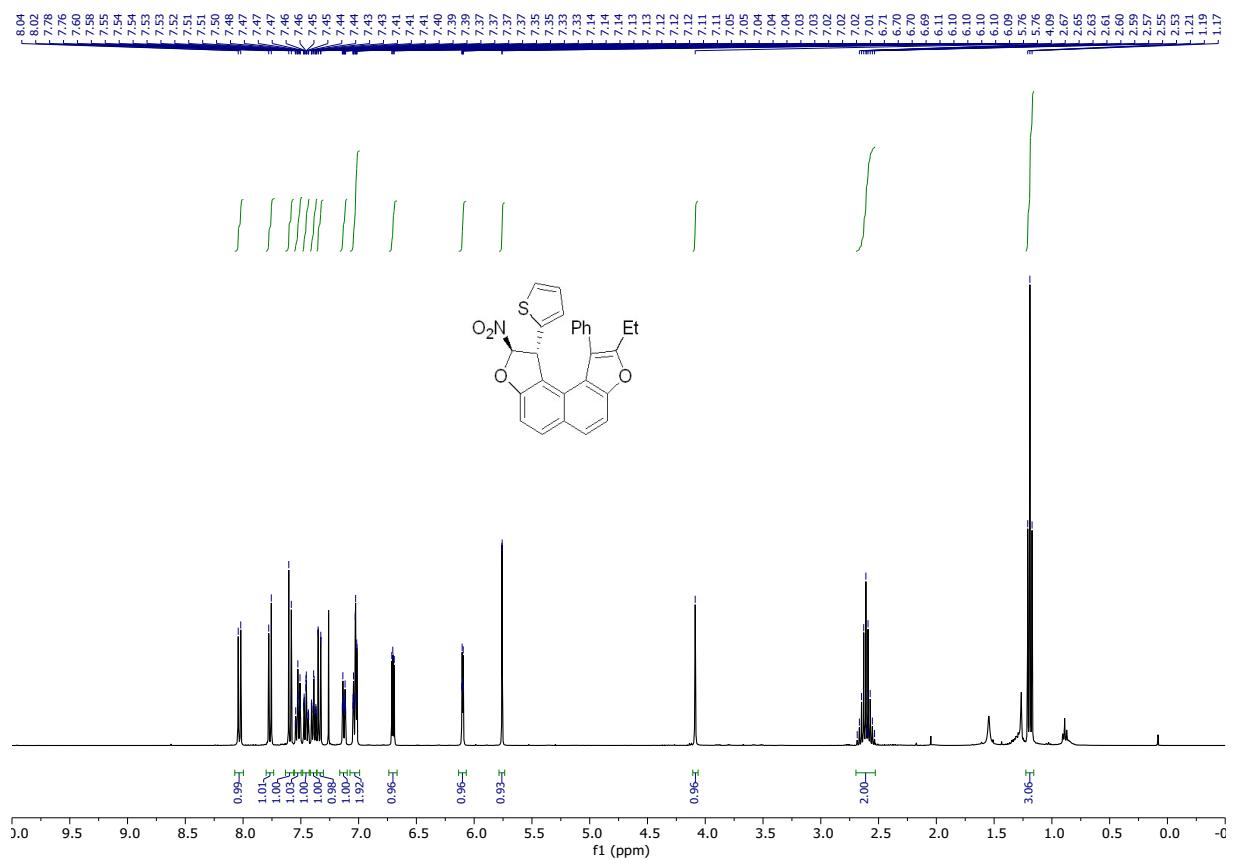
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4an**



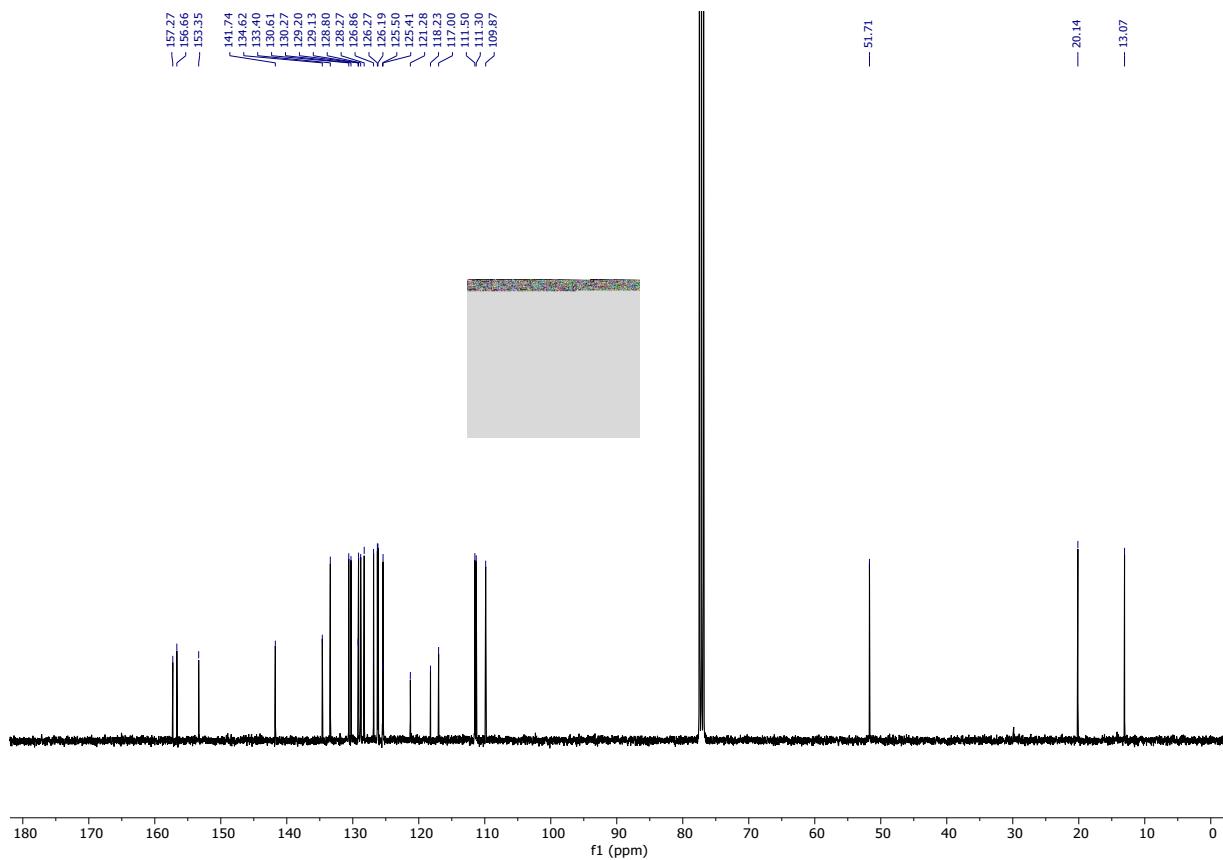
**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.87	16988	98.39	0.65		
5.44	278	1.61	0.84	1.29	3.07
Sum	17266	100.00			

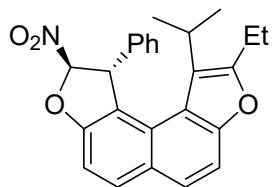
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4an** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4an** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*R*,2*R*)-9-ethyl-10-isopropyl-2-nitro-1-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*:7,8-*b'*]difuran (**4ba**)

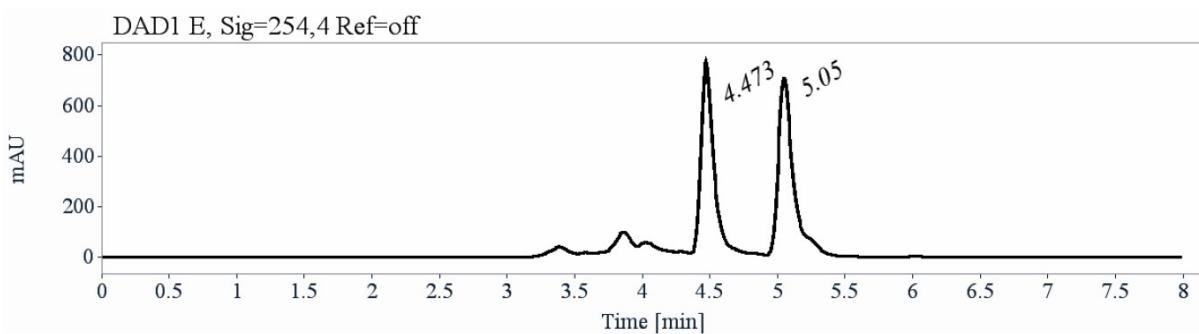


Molecular Weight: 401,4620

Prepared following general procedure using **3b** (27 mg, 1.1 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) and **2a** (18 mg) for 17 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/Petroleum ether = 1:49 to 1:24) to yield a white solid (11 mg, 0.028 mmol, 28%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.40 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +49°, **1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ (ppm) 8.06 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.32 – 7.24 (m, 3H), 7.02 – 6.99 (m, 2H), 6.05 (d, J = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 5.72 (s, 1H), 3.45 (p, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (qd, J = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 2H), 1.27 (d, J = 7.4 Hz, 6H), 0.85 (d, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ (ppm) 157.9, 154.6, 153.3, 138.9, 134.3, 129.8, 129.6, 128.3, 127.4, 127.3, 126.8, 121.4, 121.4, 114.7, 112.4, 111.5, 109.7, 58.4, 24.4, 23.6, 22.3, 21.9, 13.2. **MP** = 59 °C, **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z)**: [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 508.0673, found 508.0672. **HPLC analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated **79% ee**, **t<sub>r1</sub>**: 4.48 min, **t<sub>r2</sub>**: 5.06 min

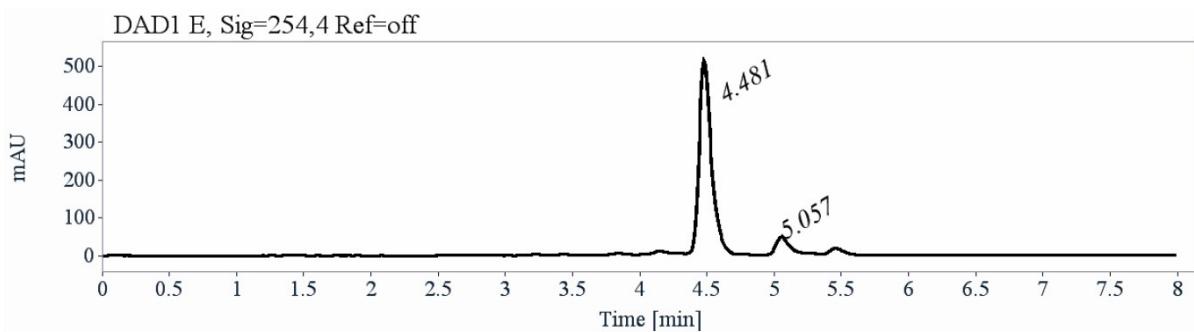
Chiral HPLC spectrum of ***rac*-4ba**



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.47	4953	47.50	0.52		
5.05	5475	52.50	0.71	1.38	3.37
Sum	10428	100.00			

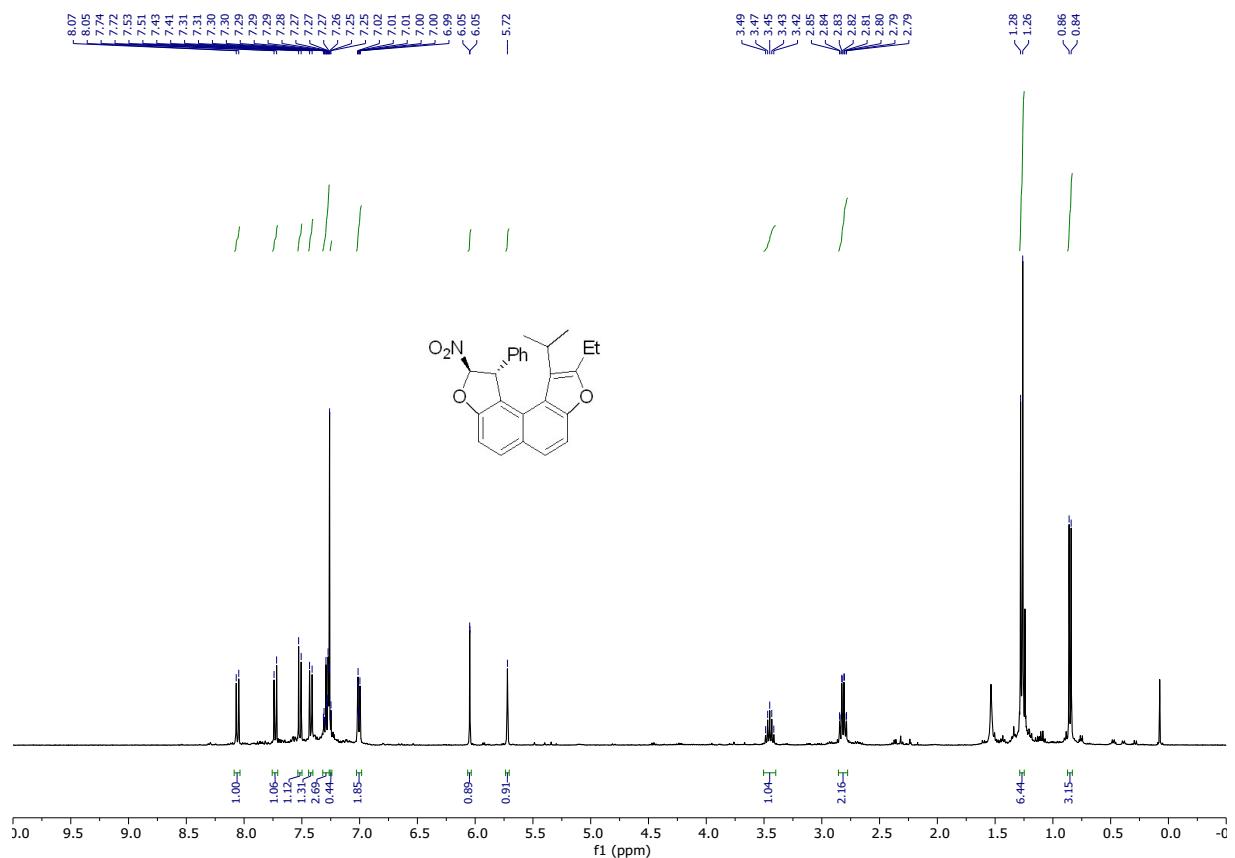
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ba**



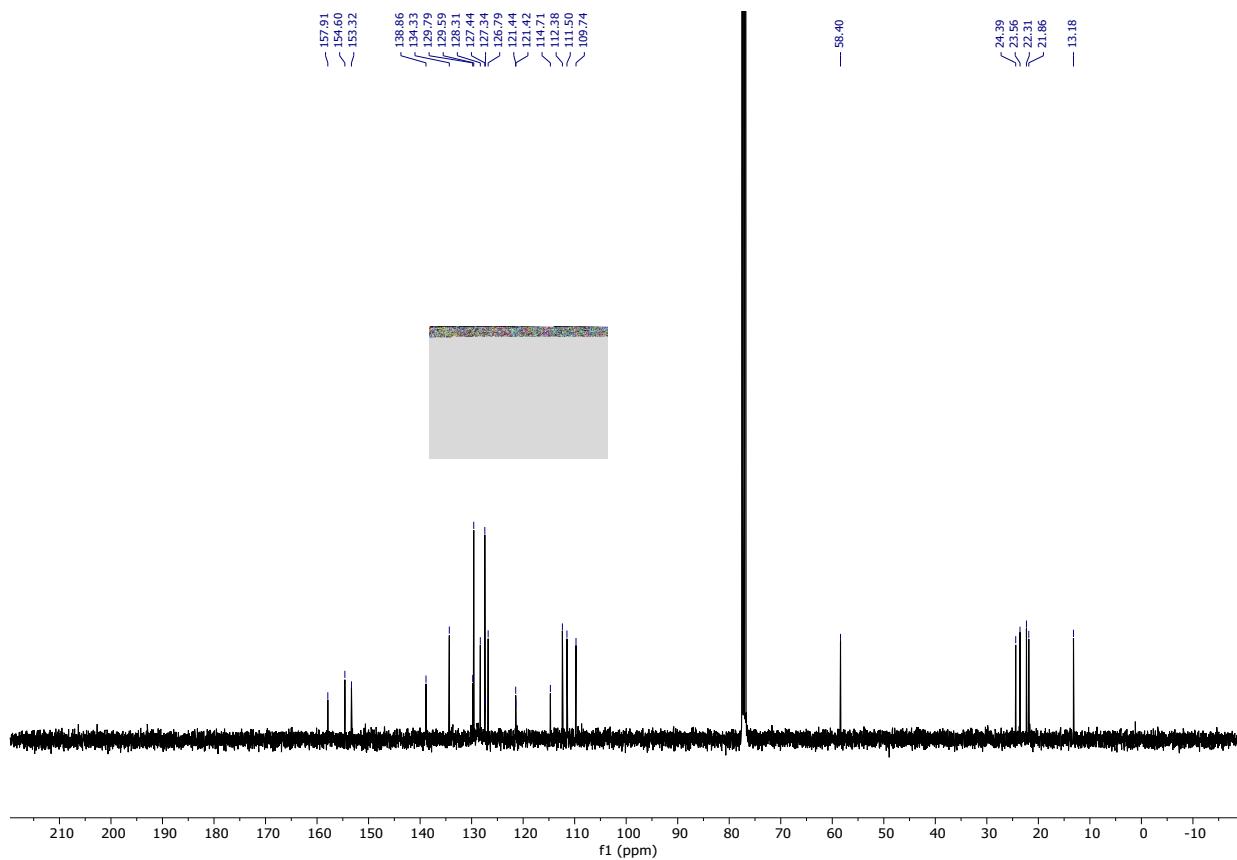
Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.48	3256	89.66	0.52		
5.06	376	10.34	0.71	1.38	3.38
Sum	3632	100.00			

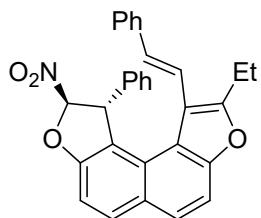
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ba** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ba** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*R*,2*R*)-9-ethyl-2-nitro-1-phenyl-10-((E)-styryl)-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*:7,8-*b'*]difuran (**4ca**)

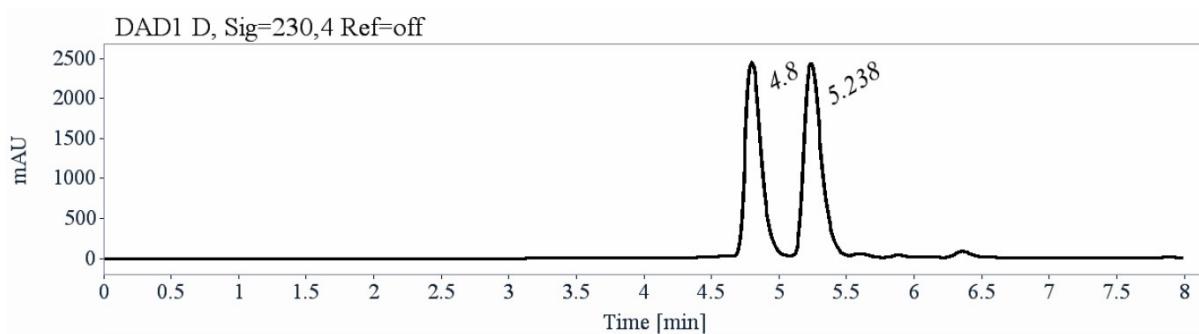


Molecular Weight: 461,5170

Prepared following general procedure using **3c** (46 mg, 0.15 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) and **2a** (18 mg, 0.12 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) for 4 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:49 to 1:24) to yield an orange solid (33 mg, 0.071 mmol, 58%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.39 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +151°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.05 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.53 – 7.47 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.38 (m, 4H), 7.23 – 7.16 (m, 1H), 7.11 (m, 2H), 6.86 (d, J = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 6.65 – 6.59 (m, 2H), 6.34 (d, J = 16.1 Hz, 1H), 5.99 – 5.82 (m, 2H), 2.87 – 2.70 (m, 2H), 1.26 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 157.7, 156.6, 153.4, 138.1, 136.9, 134.6, 133.3, 129.0, 129.0, 128.9, 128.3, 127.9, 127.7, 126.8, 126.6, 126.5, 121.0, 120.9, 115.4, 115.3, 112.5, 111.3, 110.0, 57.0, 20.4, 13.2. MP = 78 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [2M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>60</sub>H<sub>46</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 1031.2310, found 1031.2315. HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 230 nm) indicated 95% ee, t<sub>r1</sub>: 4.81 min, t<sub>r2</sub>: 5.26 min

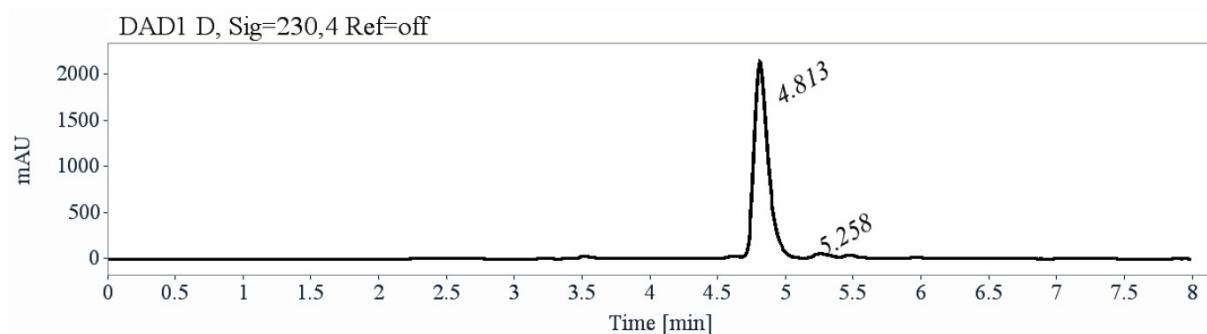
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4ca**



**Signal:** DAD1 D, Sig=230,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.80	19663	48.06	0.63		
5.24	21246	51.94	0.78	1.24	2.08
Sum	40908	100.00			

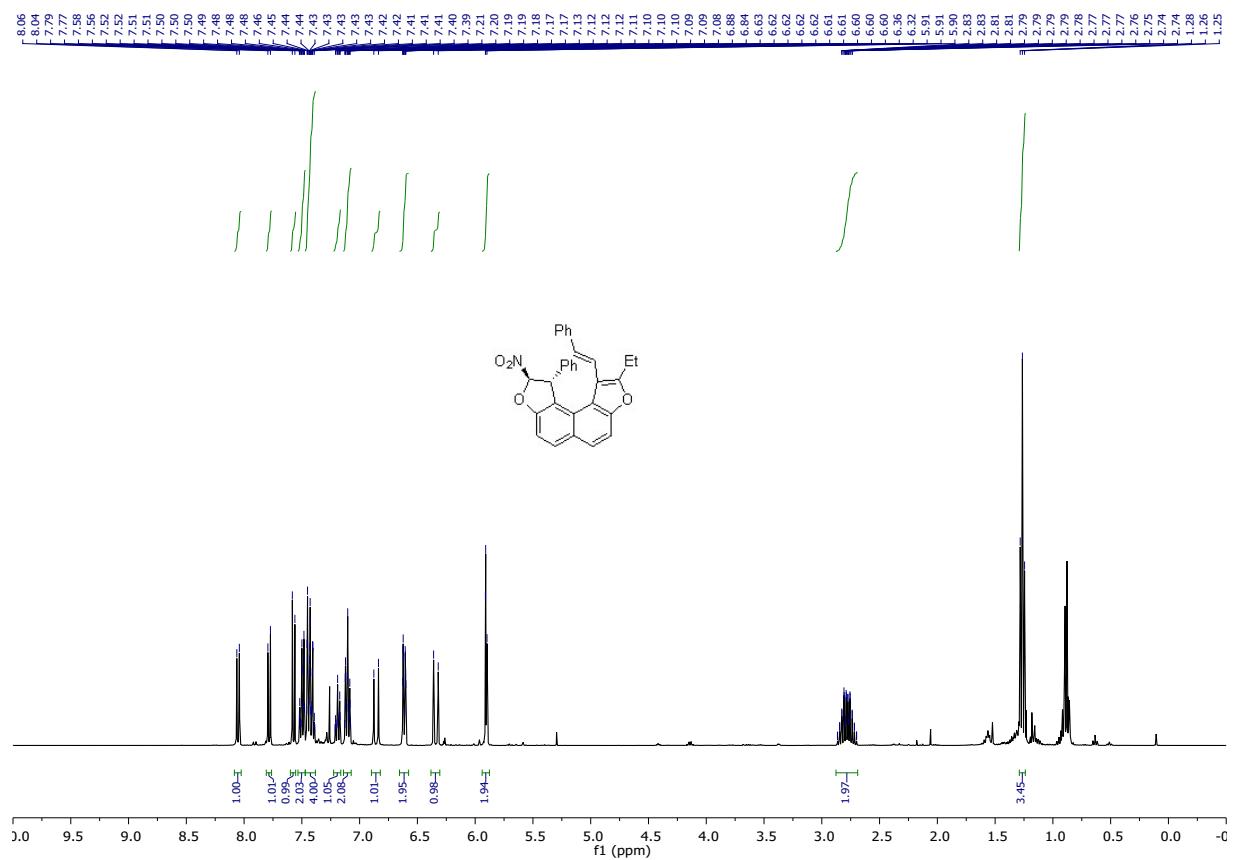
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ca**



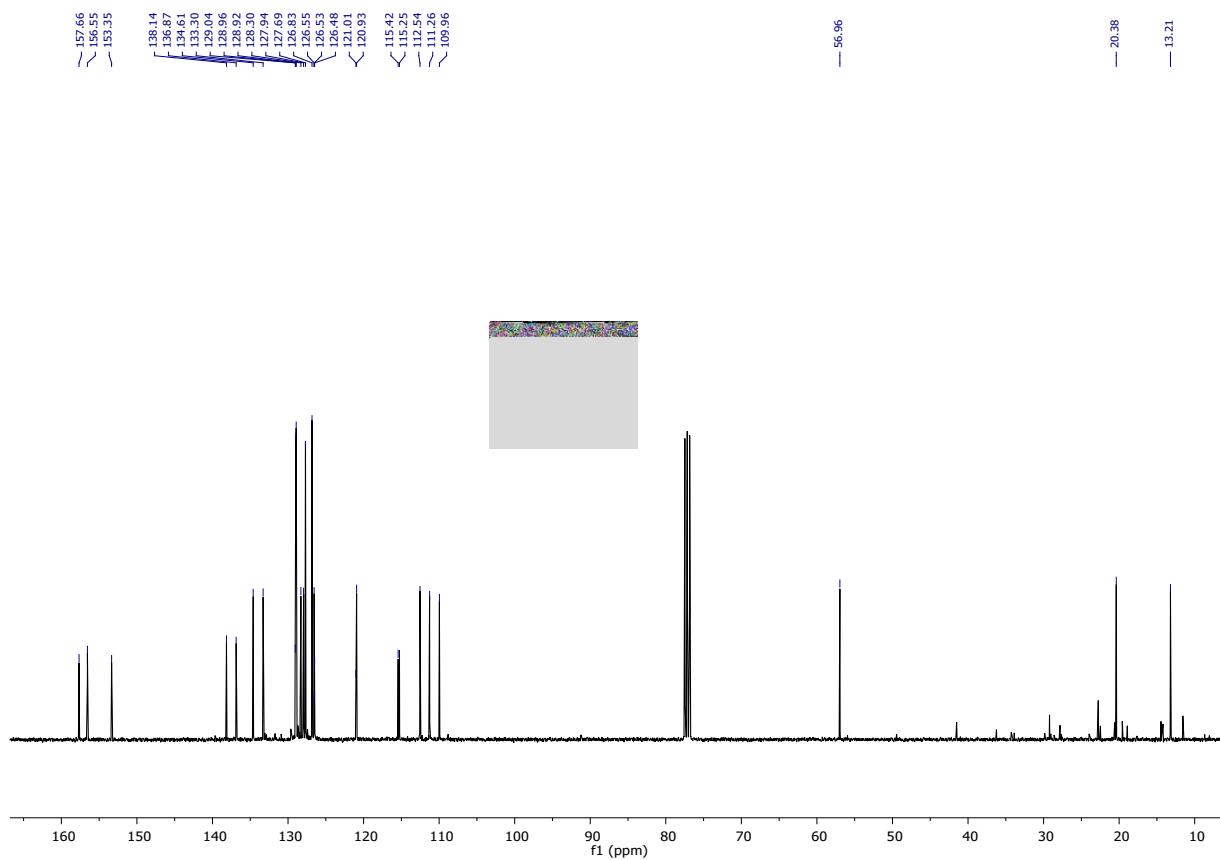
**Signal:** DAD1 D, Sig=230,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.81	15168	97.59	0.63		
5.26	375	2.41	0.78	1.24	2.17
Sum	15543	100.00			

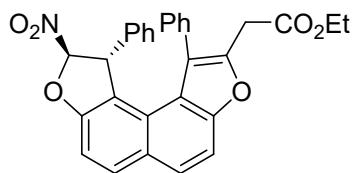
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ca** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ca** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



ethyl 2-((9R,10R)-9-nitro-1,10-diphenyl-9,10-dihydronaphtho[2,1-b:7,8-b']difuran-2-yl)acetate (**4da**)

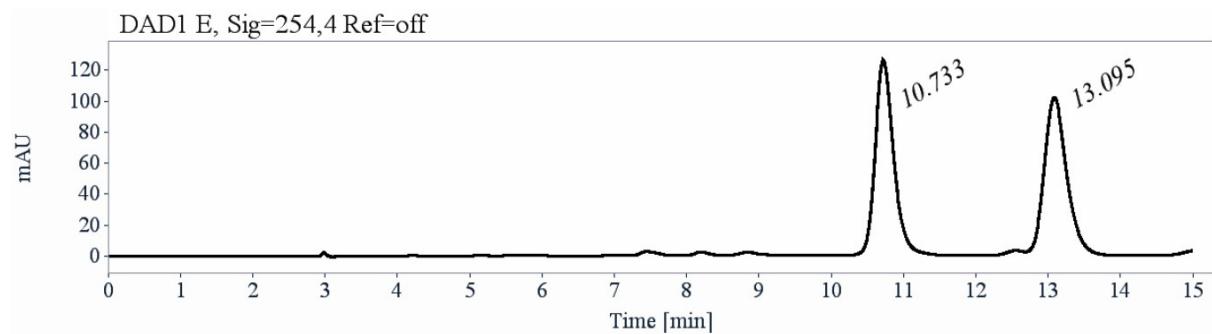


Molecular Weight: 493,5150

Prepared following general procedure using **3d** (42 mg) and **2a** (18 mg) for 4 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 5:95 to 2:23) to yield a white solid (26 mg, 0.053 mmol, 53%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.18 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +138°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.05 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.53 (tt, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46 – 7.31 (m, 3H), 7.19 – 7.09 (m, 2H), 7.09 – 7.02 (m, 2H), 6.81 (dt, J = 7.5, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 6.36 – 6.30 (m, 2H), 5.71 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (s, 1H), 4.07 (qd, J = 7.2, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 3.63 (d, J = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (d, J = 16.5 Hz, 1H), 1.15 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 169.0, 158.0, 154.0, 147.5, 137.6, 133.8, 133.1, 130.7, 130.1, 129.1, 128.7, 128.5, 128.5, 127.8, 127.7, 127.3, 126.2, 121.6, 120.8, 116.0, 112.1, 111.4, 110.1, 61.4, 56.1, 33.2, 14.2. MP = 59 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 600.0571, found 600.0572. HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-2, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated 96% ee, t<sub>r1</sub>: 10.75 min, t<sub>r2</sub>: 13.13 min

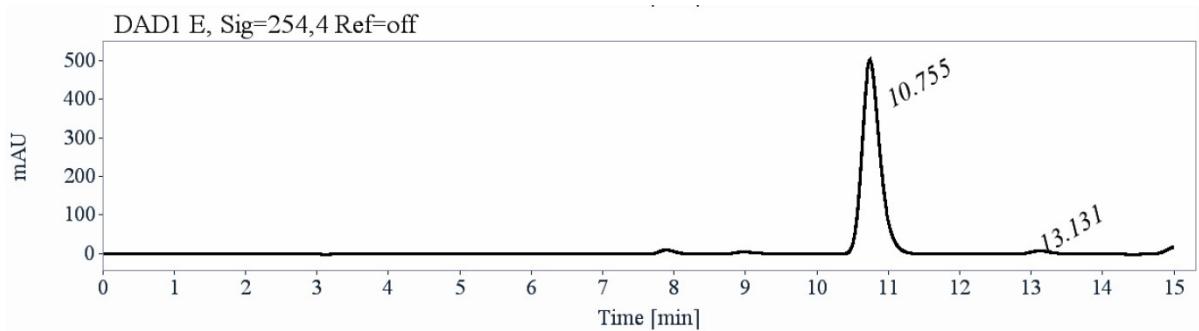
Chiral HPLC spectrum of ***rac*-4da**



**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
10.73	2233	51.17	2.64		
13.10	2131	48.83	3.44	1.30	4.70
Sum	4364	100.00			

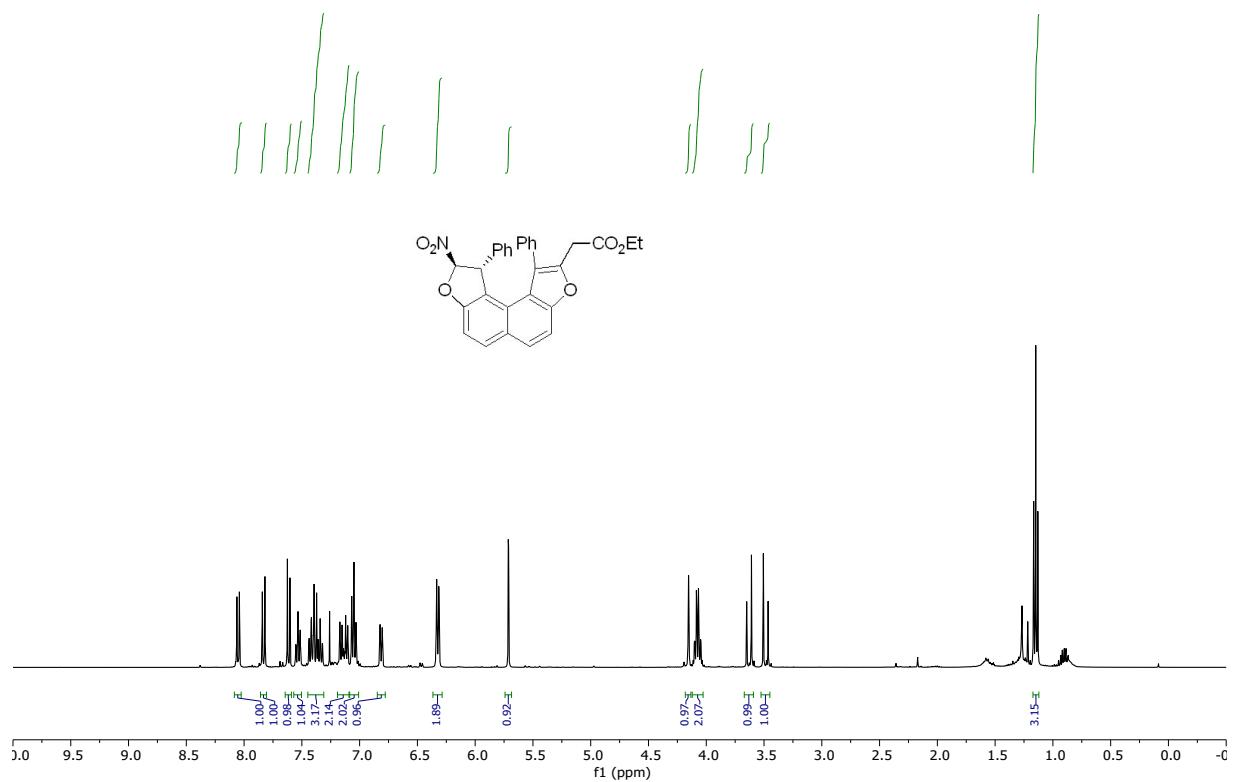
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4da**



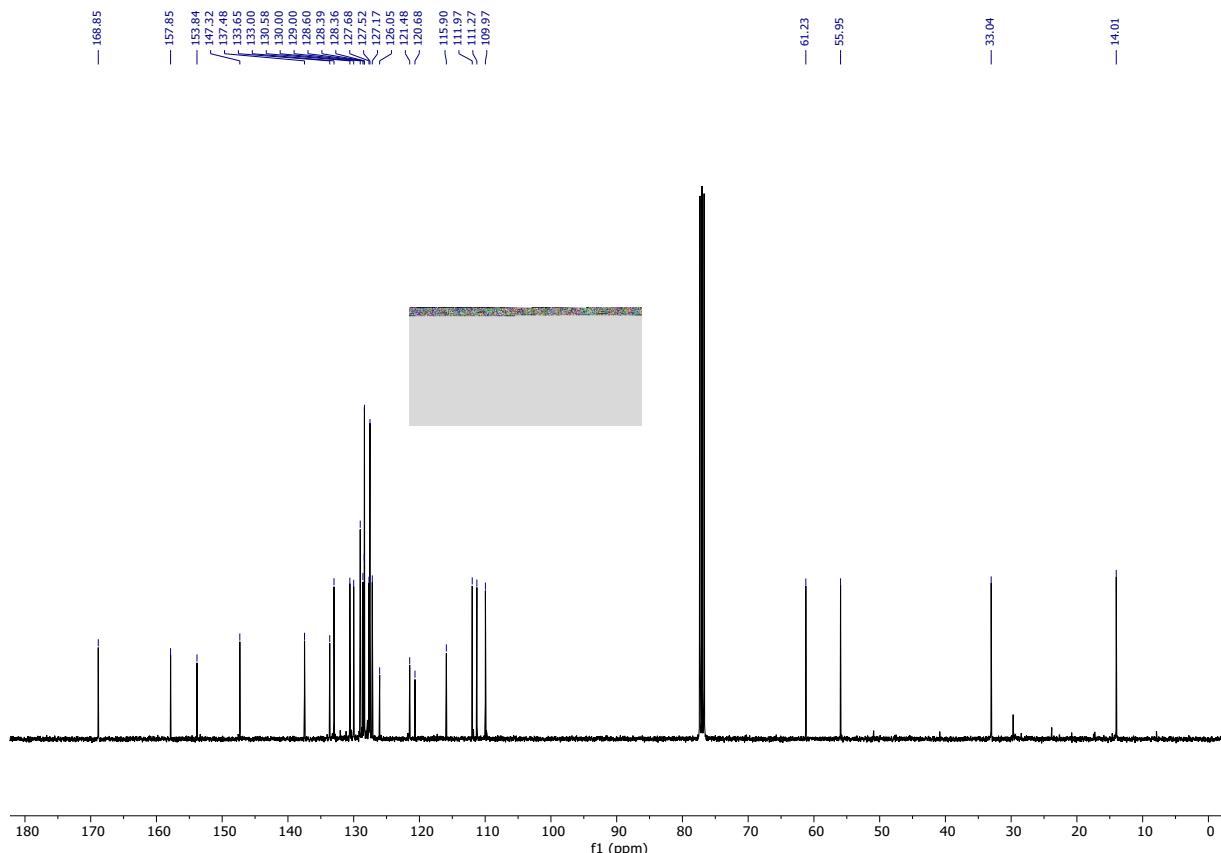
**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
10.75	8801	98.06	2.65		
13.13	174	1.94	3.45	1.30	4.74
Sum	8975	100.00			

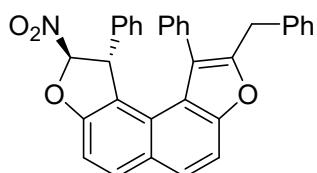
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4da** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4da** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*R*,2*R*)-9-benzyl-2-nitro-1,10-diphenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*:7,8-*b'*]difuran (**4ea**)

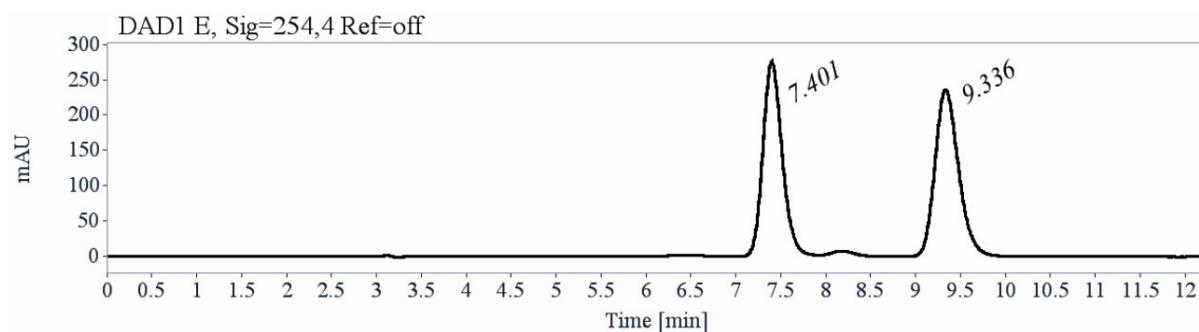


Molecular Weight: 497,55

Prepared following general procedure using **3e** (42 mg, 0.12 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) and **2a** (18 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) for 5 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9 to 3:97) to yield a white solid (35 mg, 0.07 mmol, 69%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.4 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +183°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.04 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (tt, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.43 (td, J = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (td, J = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.10 (m, 5H), 7.11 – 6.99 (m, 4H), 6.81 (dt, J = 7.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.38 – 6.33 (m, 2H), 5.72 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (s, 1H), 3.97 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (d, J = 15.8 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 157.91, 153.81, 153.22, 137.86, 137.76, 134.37, 133.09, 130.93, 130.24, 129.12, 128.80, 128.62, 128.55, 128.50, 128.38, 127.79, 127.74, 126.81, 126.61, 126.20, 121.04, 119.95, 116.01, 112.14, 111.38, 109.99, 56.14, 32.76. MP = 85 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup>, 606.0674 found 606.0670. HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-2, Heptane/Isopropanol (95/5), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated 96% ee, t<sub>r,1</sub>: 7.38 min, t<sub>r,2</sub>: 9.31 min

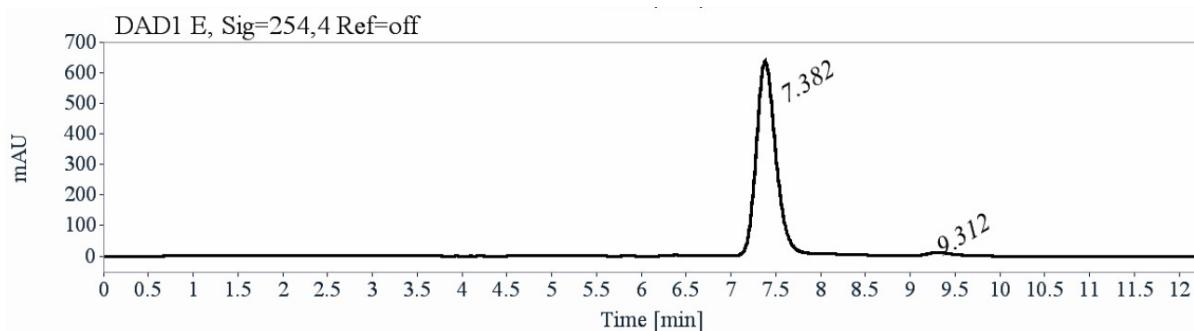
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **rac-4ea**



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
7.40	4063	48.50	1.51		
9.34	4315	51.50	2.16	1.43	4.49
Sum	8377	100.00			

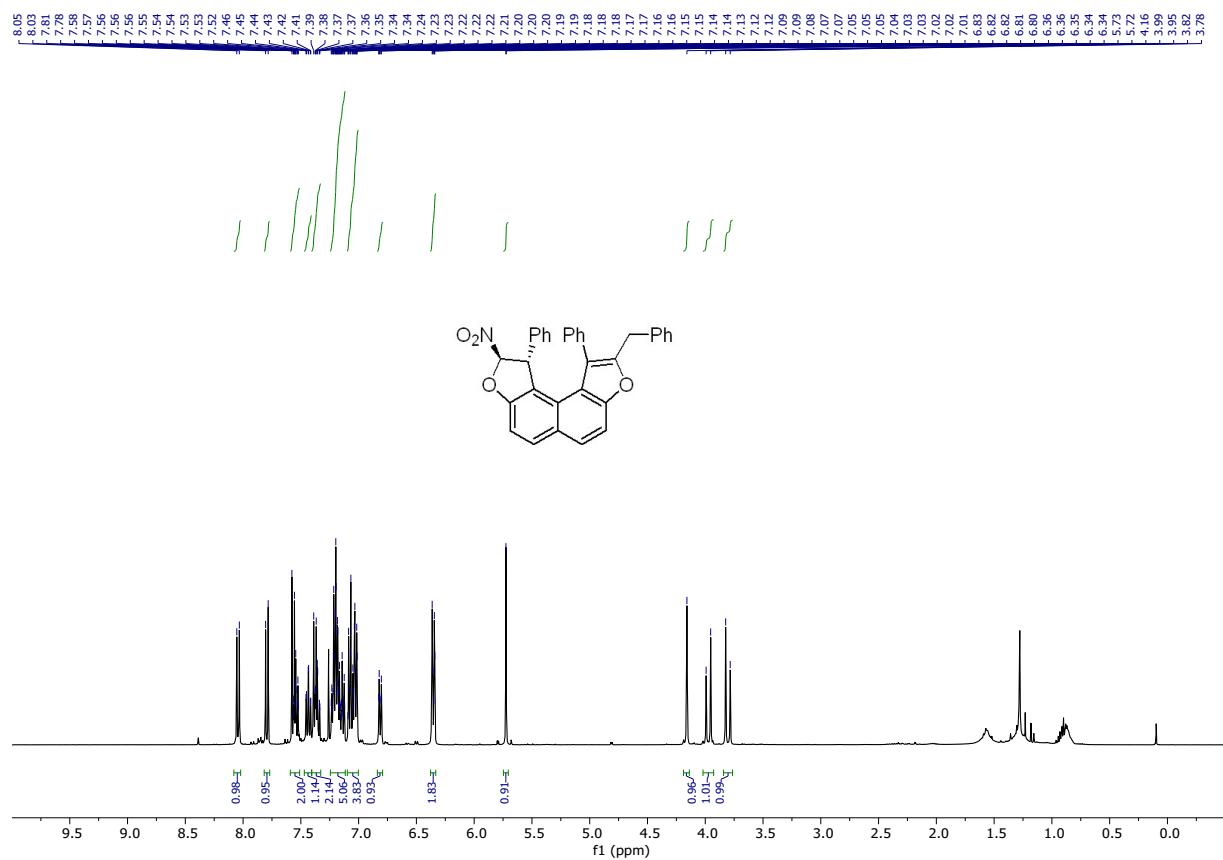
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ea**



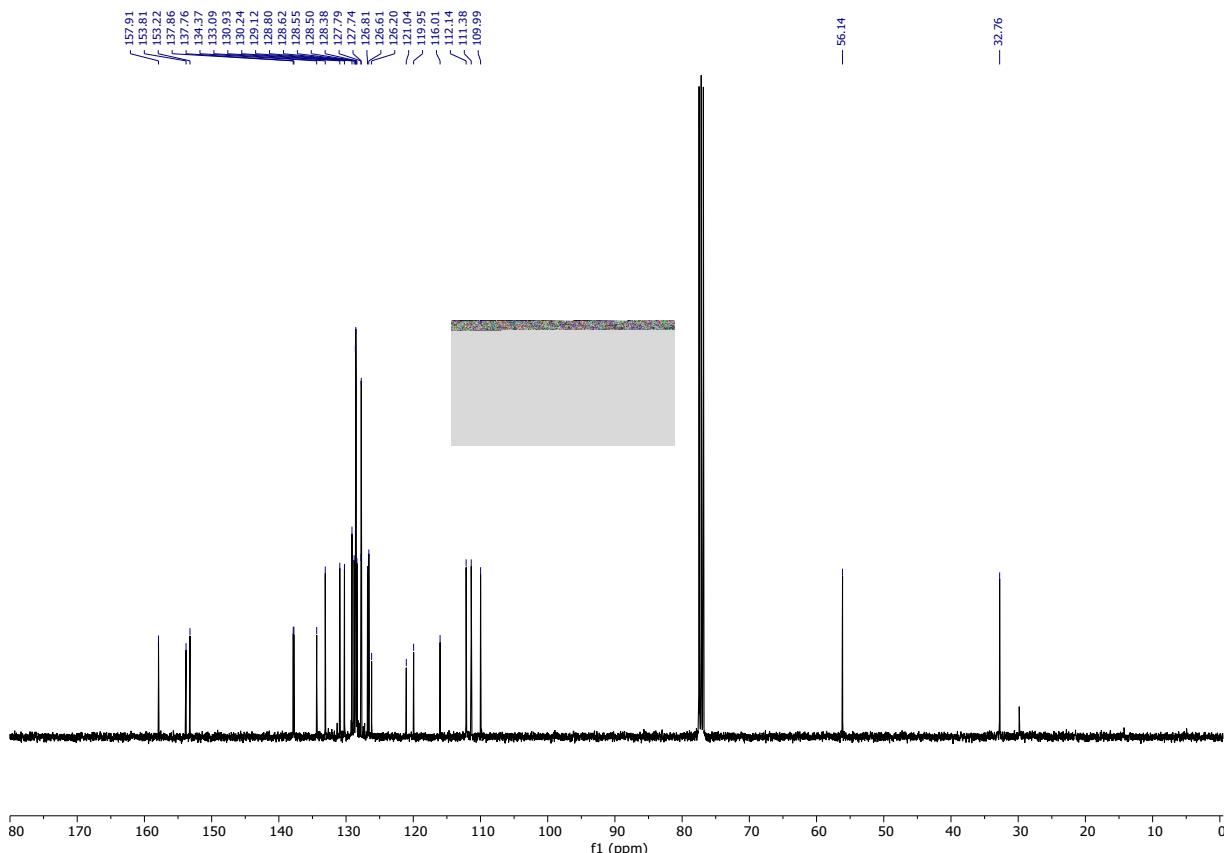
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9.31	220	2.25	2.16	1.44	4.37
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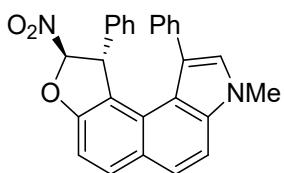
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ea** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ea** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*R*,2*R*)-8-methyl-2-nitro-1,10-diphenyl-1,8-dihydro-2*H*-benzofuro[4,5-*e*]indole (**4fa**)

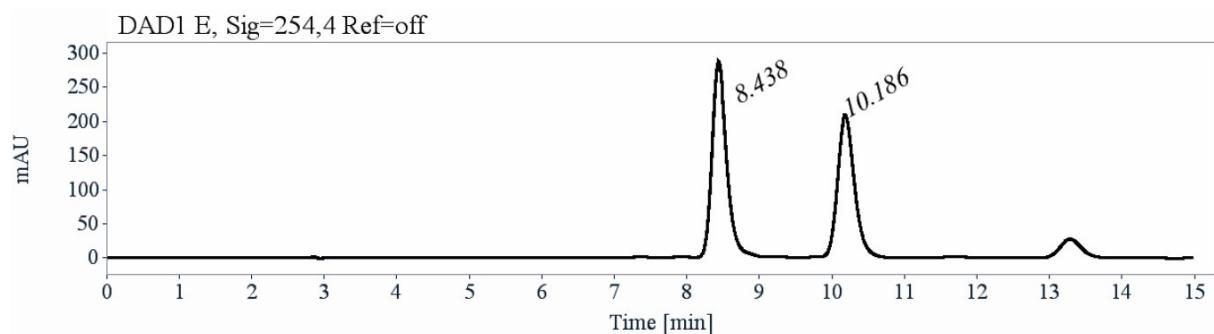


Molecular Weight: 420.4680

Prepared following general procedure using **3f** (27 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and **2a** (18 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) for 4 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 5:95 to 3:22) to yield a white solid (29 mg, 0.069 mmol, 69%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.26 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 2:8), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +290°, **1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ (ppm) 8.02 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.47 – 7.40 (m, 3H), 7.37 – 7.31 (m, 2H), 7.20 – 7.15 (m, 1H), 7.13 – 7.04 (m, 2H), 7.03 – 6.97 (m, 2H), 6.85 (s, 1H), 6.31 – 6.27 (m, 2H), 5.67 (d, J = 1.1 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (s, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H). **<sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)** δ (ppm) 157.8, 138.0, 137.8, 135.6, 132.5, 130.3, 128.9, 128.5, 128.4, 128.4, 128.0, 127.6, 127.3, 127.2, 126.7, 124.6, 120.5, 118.6, 116.49, 112.0, 109.9, 108.4, 56.5, 33.3. **MP** = 194 °C, **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z)**: [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 527.0519, found 527.0523. **HPLC analysis** (Chiralpak IB N-5, Heptane/Ethanol (80/20), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated **96% ee**, t<sub>r1</sub>: 8.44 min, t<sub>r2</sub>: 10.17 min

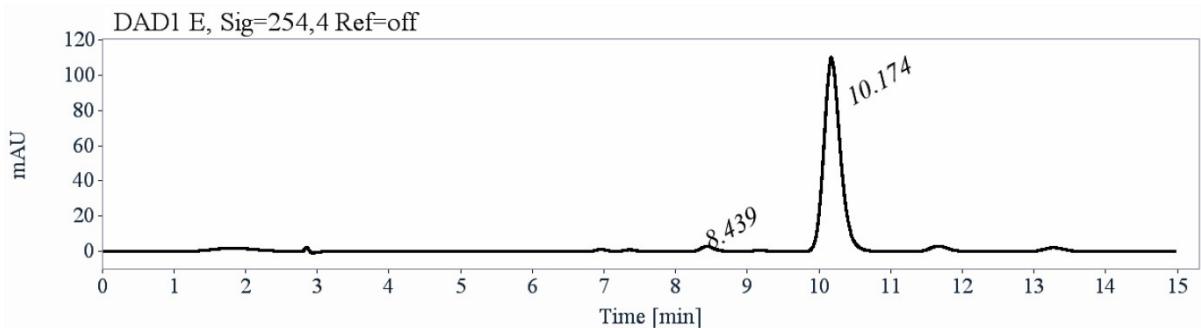
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **rac-4fa**



**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
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10.19	3375	45.71	2.45	1.32	4.53
Sum	7382	100.00			

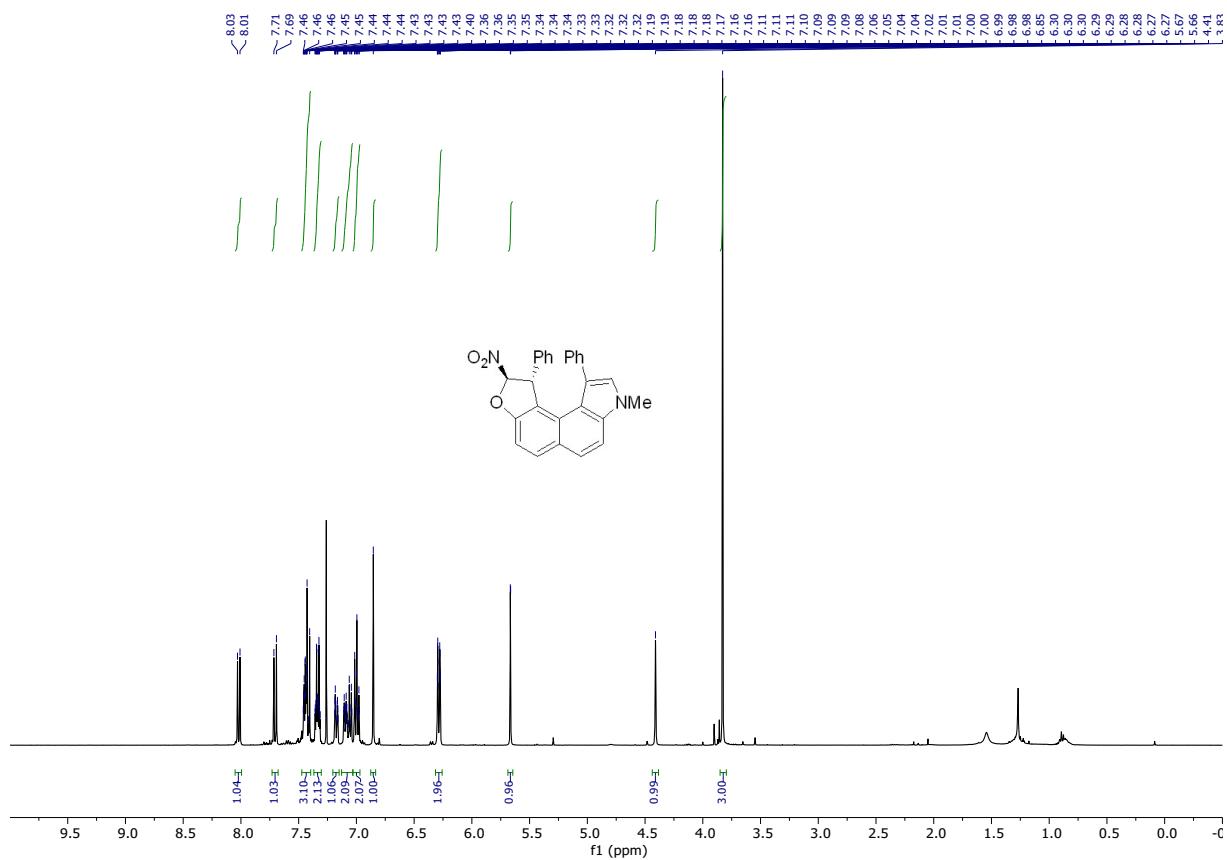
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4fa**



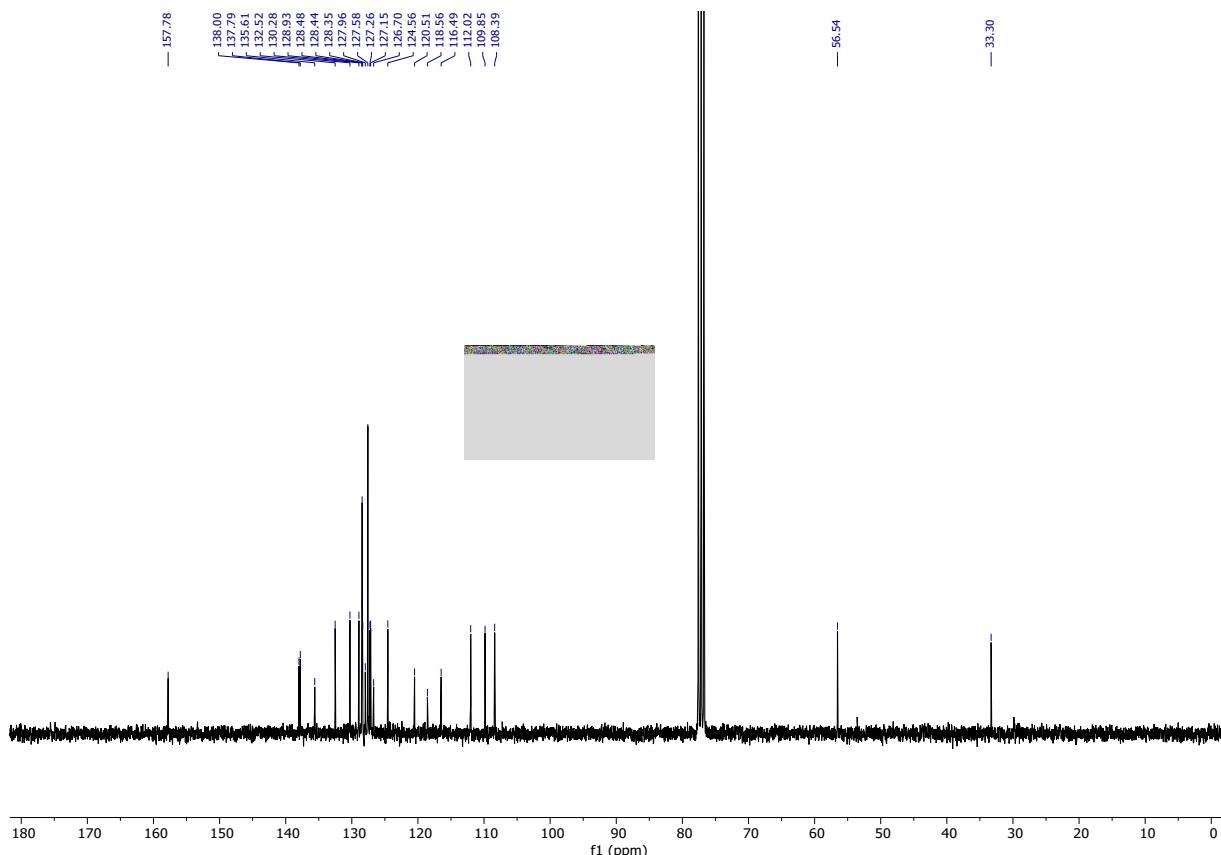
**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
8.44	37	2.08	1.86		
10.17	1763	97.92	2.45	1.32	4.54
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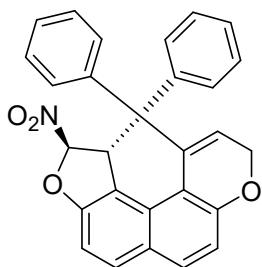
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4fa** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4fa** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*R*,2*R*)-2-nitro-1,11-diphenyl-1,2-dihydro-9*H*-benzofuro[4,5-*f*]chromene (**4ha**)



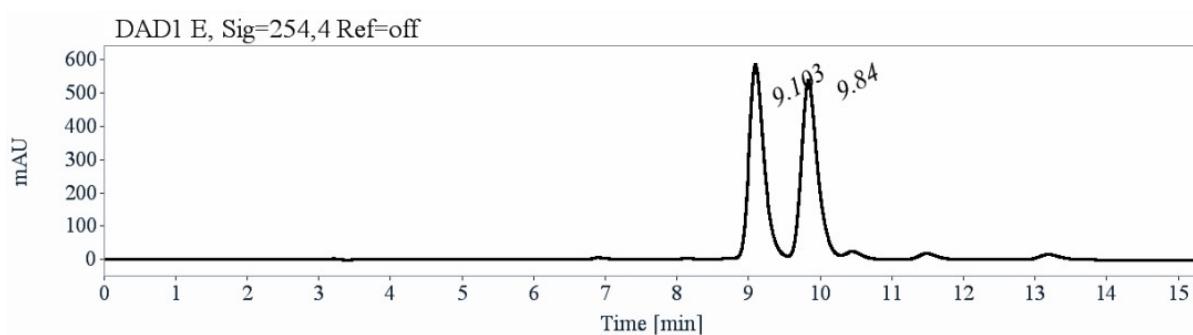
Molecular Weight: 421,4520

Prepared following general procedure using **3h** (27 mg) and **2a** (18 mg) for 3 days. The crude product was purified on silica (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 0:100 to 1:9) to yield an off white solid (26.1 mg, 0.06 mmol, 62%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.56 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +284°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.89 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.70 – 7.26 (m, 4H), 7.26 – 6.93 (m, 6H), 6.75 – 6.67 (m, 2H), 5.86 (dd, J = 6.4, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 5.64 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.65 (dd, J = 12.1, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.00 – 3.96 (m, 1H), 3.76 (dd, J = 12.1, 4.6 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 158.2, 157.7, 139.7, 138.0, 137.9, 132.6, 132.2, 129.1, 129.0, 128.8, 128.7, 127.9, 127.8, 127.2, 126.1, 118.3, 117.3, 116.0, 115.6, 111.8, 109.7, 64.7, 57.2. MP = 159.1 – 161.1 °C HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> 444.1206,

found 444.1204. **HPLC analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (95/5), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated **98% ee**, **t<sub>r</sub>1**: 9.10 min, **t<sub>r</sub>2**: 9.84 min

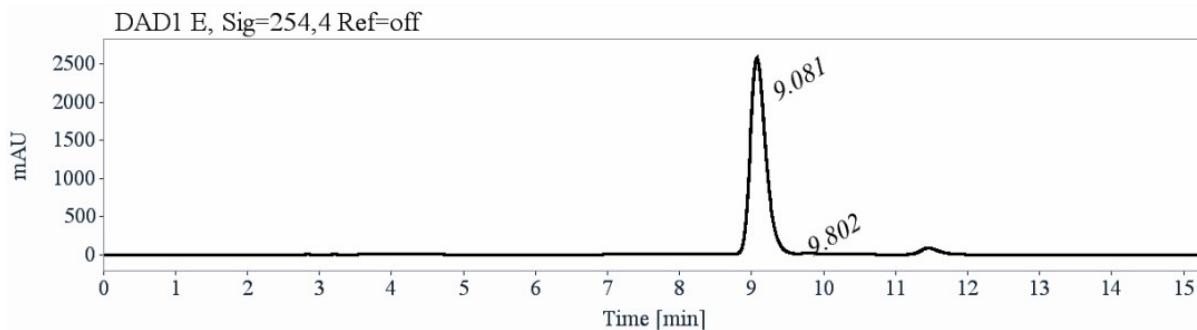
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4ha**



**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
9.10	8583	50.02	2.09		
9.84	8577	49.98	2.34	1.12	1.88
Sum	17160	100.00			

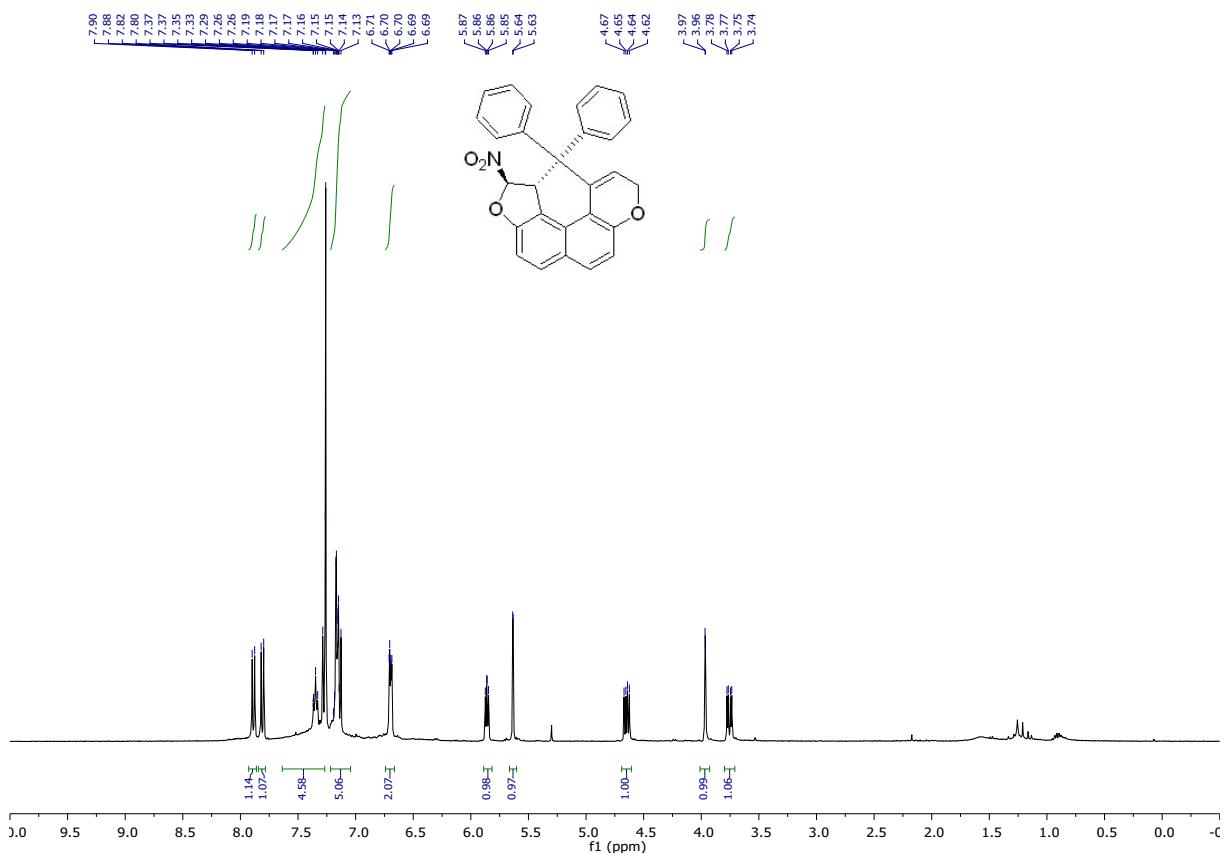
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ha**



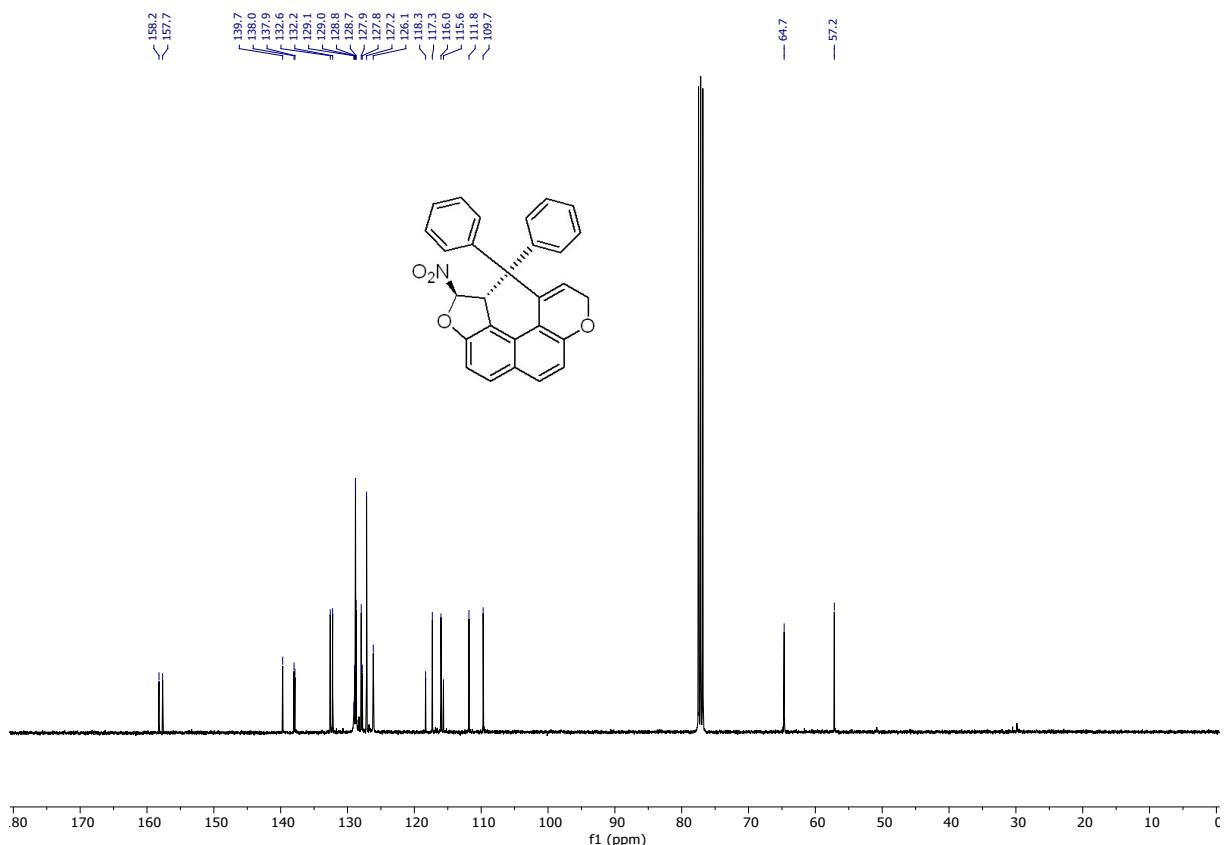
**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
9.08	38894	99.12	2.08		
9.80	347	0.88	2.32	1.12	1.67
Sum	39241	100.00			

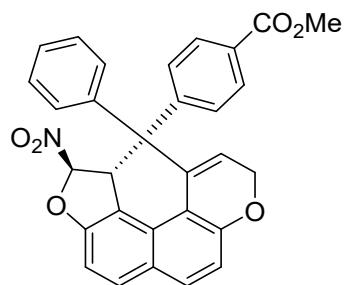
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ha** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ha** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



**Methyl 4-((1*R*,2*R*)-2-nitro-11-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-9*H*-benzofuro[4,5-*f*]chromen-1-yl)benzoate (**4hg**)**

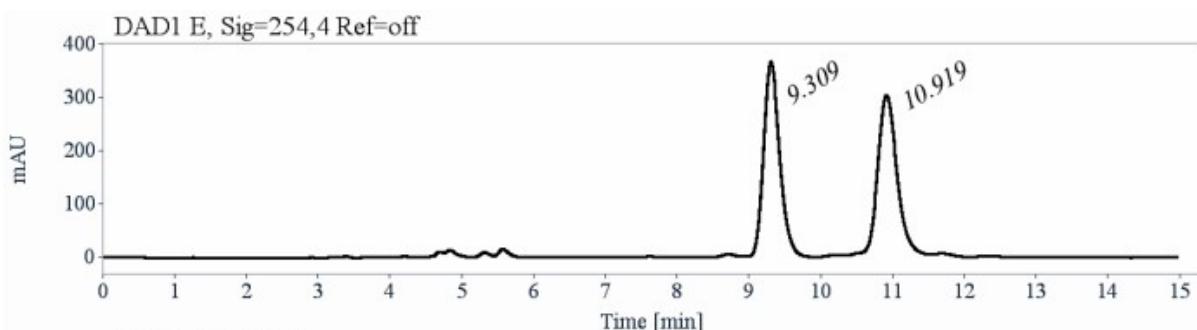


Molecular Weight: 479,4880

Prepared following general procedure using **3h** (27.4 mg) and **2g** (24.1 mg) for 40 h. The crude product was purified on silica (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 0:100 to 1:9) to yield a light-yellow solid (35 mg, 0.073 mmol, 73%)

$R_f$  = 0.41 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9),  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ ,  $c = 1.0$ ) = +331°, **1H NMR** (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.91 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.87 – 7.78 (m, 3H), 7.67 – 7.27 (m, 6H), 7.15 (d,  $J = 8.8$  Hz, 1H), 6.87 – 6.60 (m, 2H), 5.85 (dd,  $J = 6.4, 4.5$  Hz, 1H), 5.62 (d,  $J = 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 4.65 (dd,  $J = 12.2, 6.4$  Hz, 1H), 4.01 (d,  $J = 1.6$  Hz, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.74 (dd,  $J = 12.2, 4.6$  Hz, 1H). **13C NMR** (101 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  166.7, 158.4, 157.7, 142.9, 139.6, 137.6, 132.9, 132.3, 130.1, 129.9, 129.1, 128.82, 127.79, 127.2, 126.0, 117.57, 117.53, 116.2, 115.4, 111.2, 109.7, 64.7, 57.0, 52.2. **MP** = 93.4 – 95.1 °C, **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z)**: [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calculated for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_6\text{Na}^+$  502.1261, found 502.1261. **HPLC analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated **99% ee**, **t<sub>1</sub>**: 9.30 min, **t<sub>2</sub>**: 10.91 min

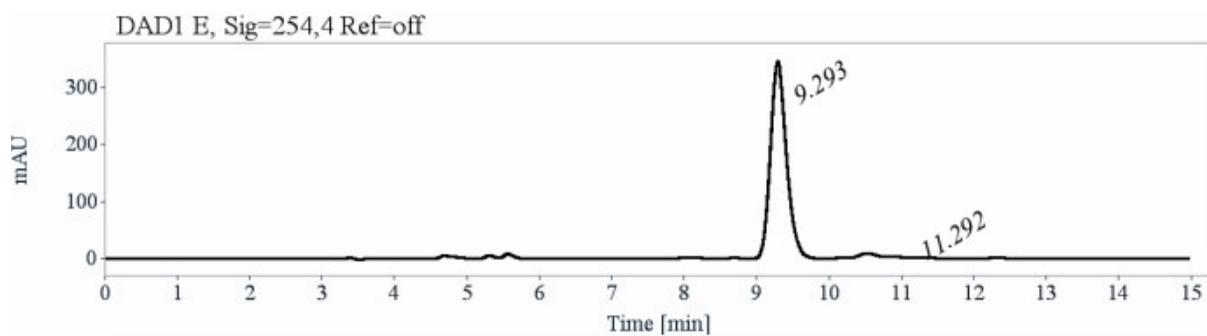
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4hg**



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
9.31	5655	50.96	2.16		
10.92	5441	49.04	2.70	1.25	3.67
Sum	11097	100.00			

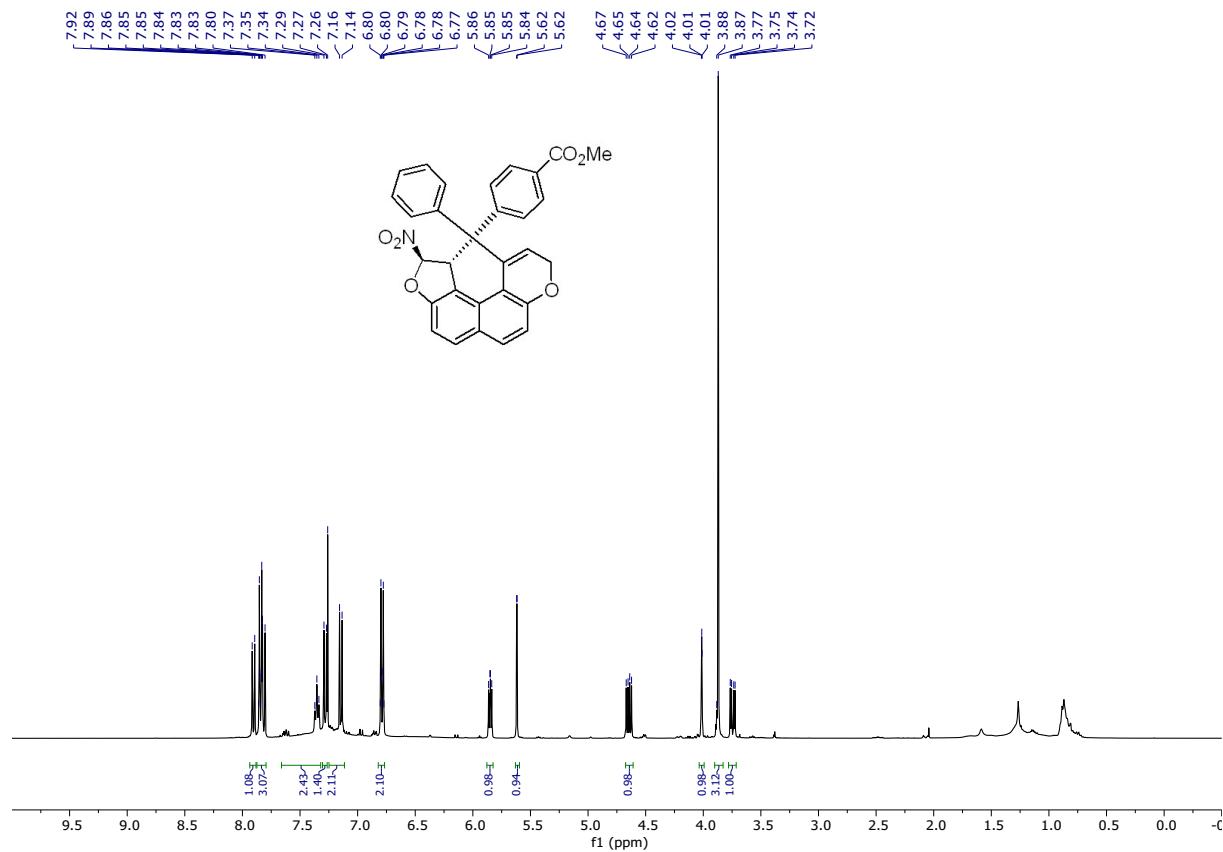
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4hg**



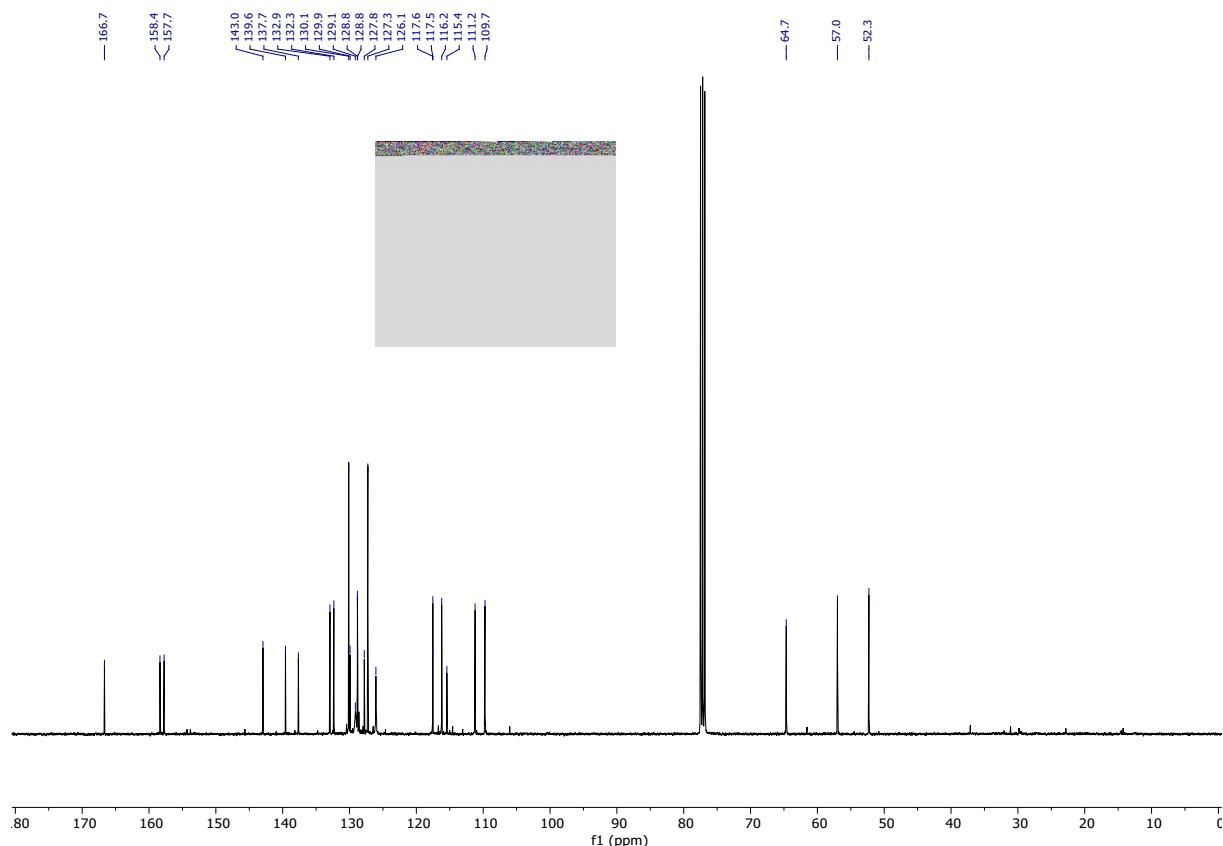
Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
9.29	5314	99.57	2.15		
11.29	23	0.43	2.83	1.32	5.09
Sum	5337	100.00			

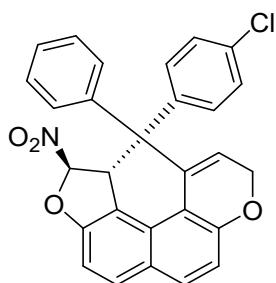
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4hg** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4hg** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*R*,2*R*)-1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-nitro-11-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-9*H*-benzofuro[4,5-*f*]chromene (**4hb**)

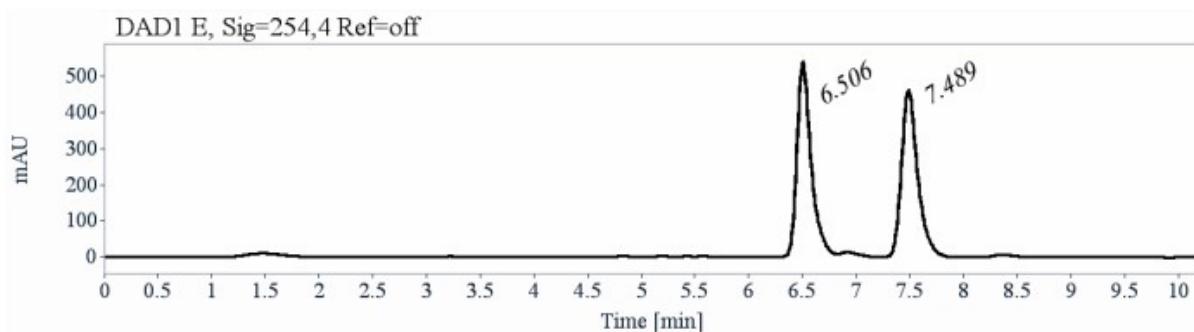


Molecular Weight: 455,8940

Prepared following general procedure using **3h** (27 mg) and **2b** (22 mg) for 1.5 days. The crude product was purified on silica (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 0:100 to 5:95) to yield a light-yellow solid (29 mg, 0.063 mmol, 63%)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.50 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +233°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.89 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.64 – 7.27 (m, 4H), 7.19 – 6.80 (m, 5H), 6.64 (dd, J = 8.6, 2.5 Hz, 2H), 5.88 (dd, J = 6.4, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 5.58 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.68 (dd, J = 12.2, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.93 (s, 1H), 3.80 (dd, J = 12.2, 4.5 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 158.4, 157.7, 139.6, 137.7, 136.5, 133.9, 132.9, 132.3, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 127.8, 126.1, 117.8, 117.5, 116.2, 115.5, 111.5, 109.7, 64.7, 56.6. MP = 172.9 - 174.1 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClNO<sub>4</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 563.9963, found 563.9960. HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated 98% ee, t<sub>r,1</sub>: 6.50 min, t<sub>r,2</sub>: 7.48 min

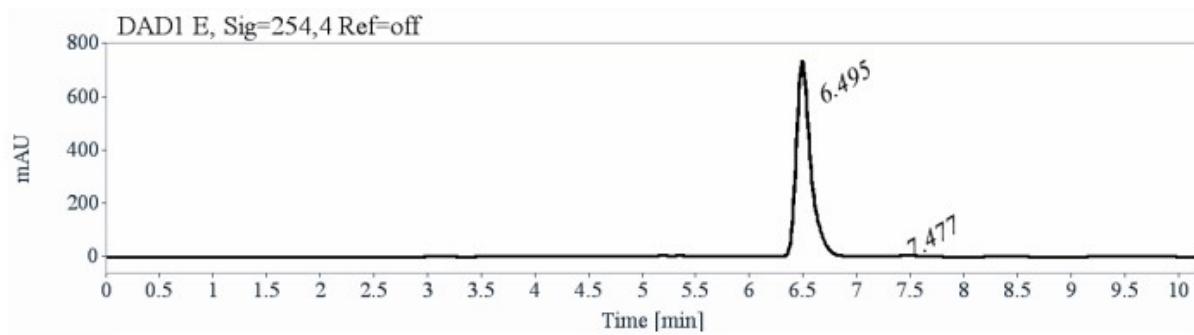
Chiral HPLC spectrum of ***rac*-4hb**



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
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7.49	4860	49.40	1.54	1.28	3.96
Sum	9838	100.00			

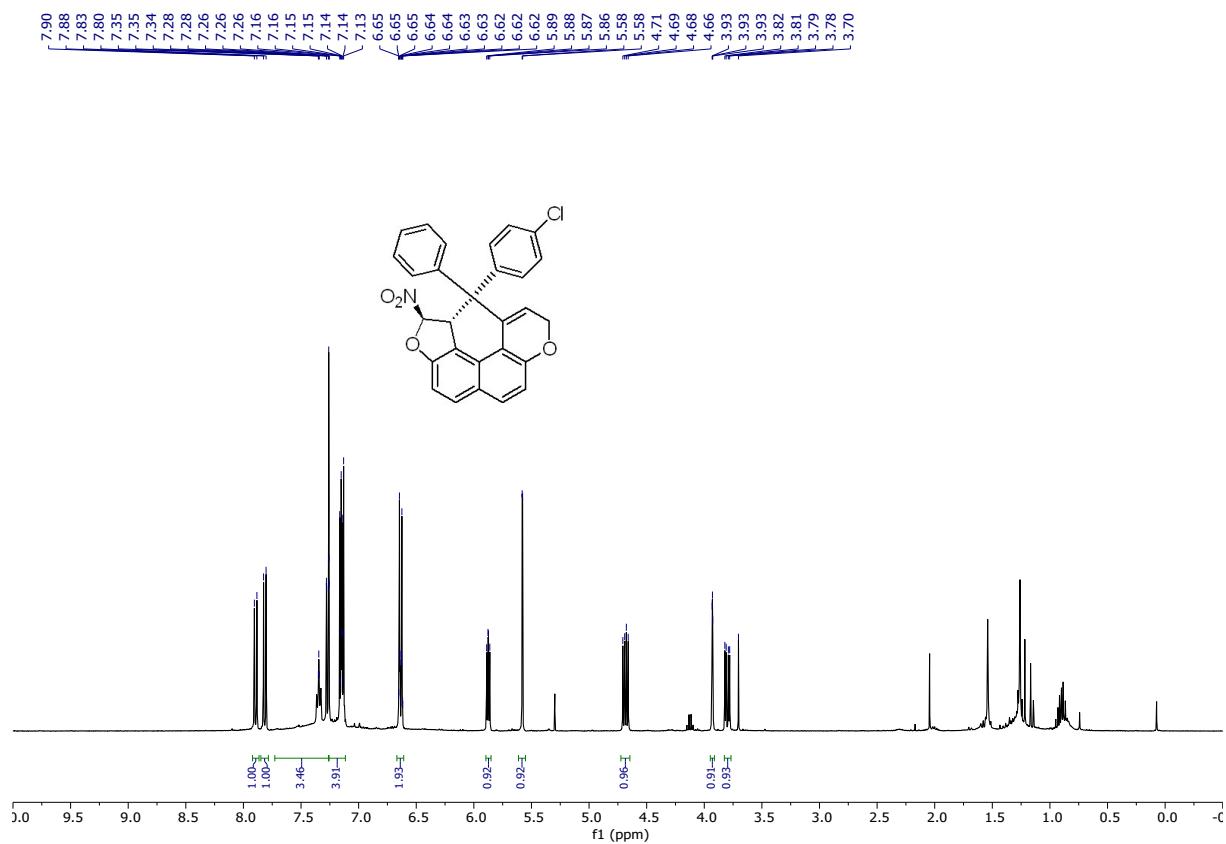
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4hb**



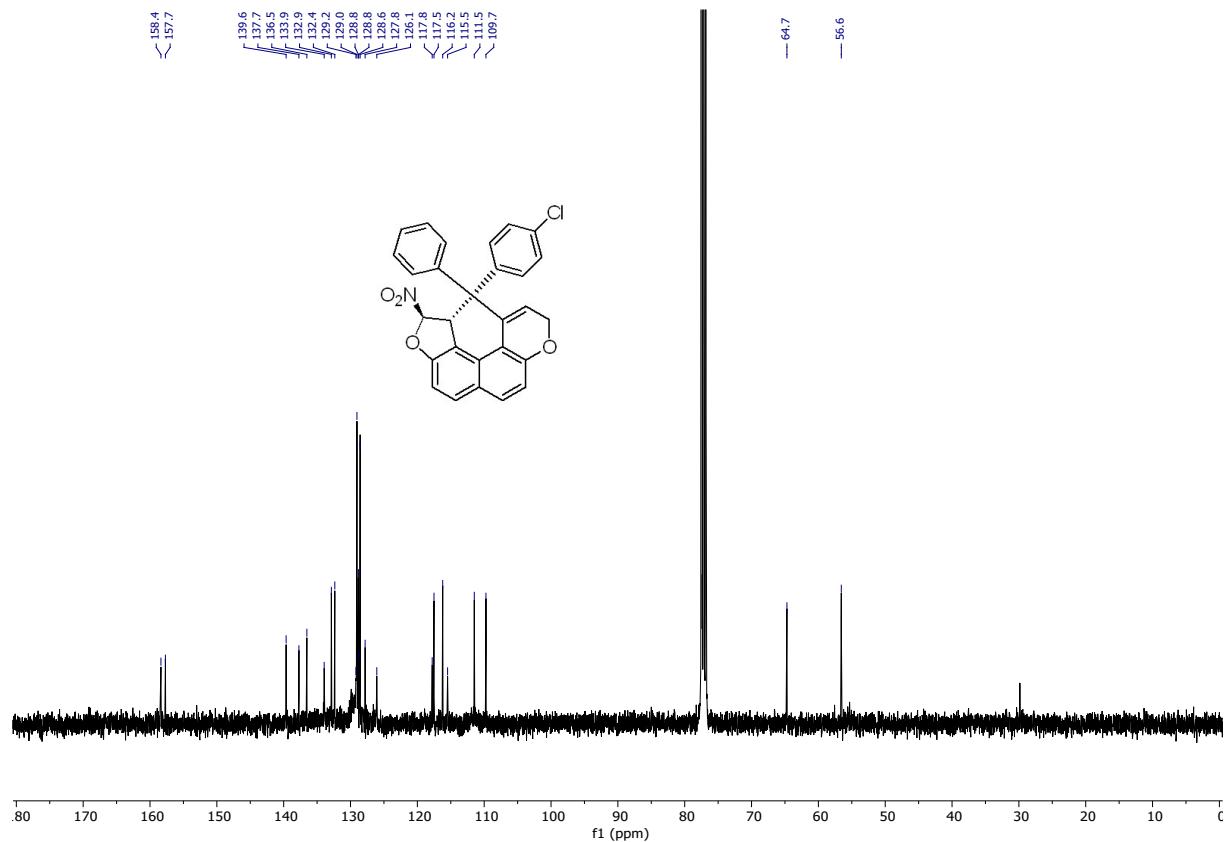
Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
6.49	6881	98.94	1.20		
7.48	74	1.06	1.53	1.28	3.93
Sum	6954	100.00			

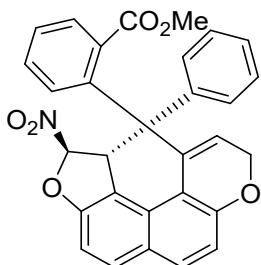
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4hb** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4hb** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



*Methyl 2-((1*R*,2*R*)-2-nitro-1-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-9*H*-benzofuro[4,5-*f*]chromen-11-yl)benzoate (**4ia**)*

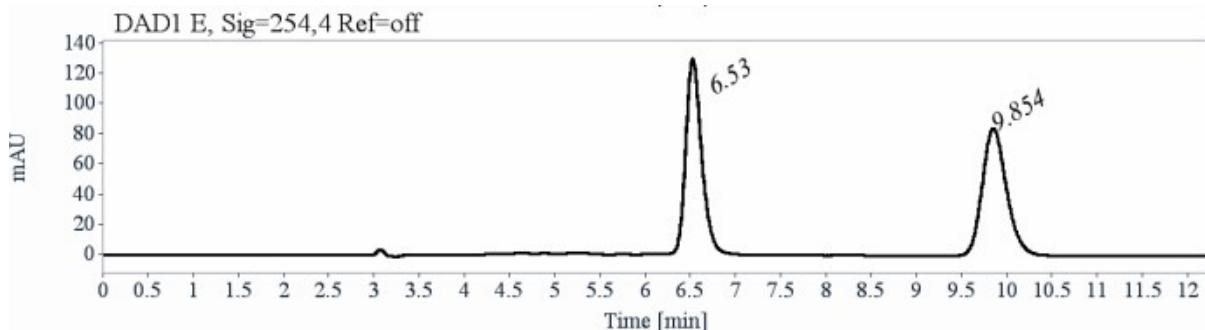


Molecular Weight: 479,4880

Prepared following general procedure using **3i** (33 mg) and **2a** (18 mg) for 4 days. The crude product was purified on silica (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 0:100 to 15:85) to yield a light-yellow solid (28 mg, 0.058 mmol, 58%)

$R_f$  = 0.51 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether 1:4),  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +308°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.84 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, J = 41.1 Hz, 4H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.21 – 7.11 (m, 4H), 6.68 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 2H), 5.85 (s, 1H), 5.64 (s, 1H), 4.73 (dd, J = 12.2, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 3.86 (s, 2H), 2.99 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 157.9, 157.7, 137.8, 132.5, 132.3, 131.8, 130.5, 130.1, 129.7, 128.8, 128.7, 127.95, 127.9, 127.1 (2C), 118.2, 117.6, 116.0, 111.9, 109.9, 64.5, 56.7, 51.8 (1C missing). MP = 260.5 – 261.3 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> 502.1261, found 502.1263. HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (70/30), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated 92% ee, t<sub>1</sub>: 6.53 min, t<sub>2</sub>: 9.85 min

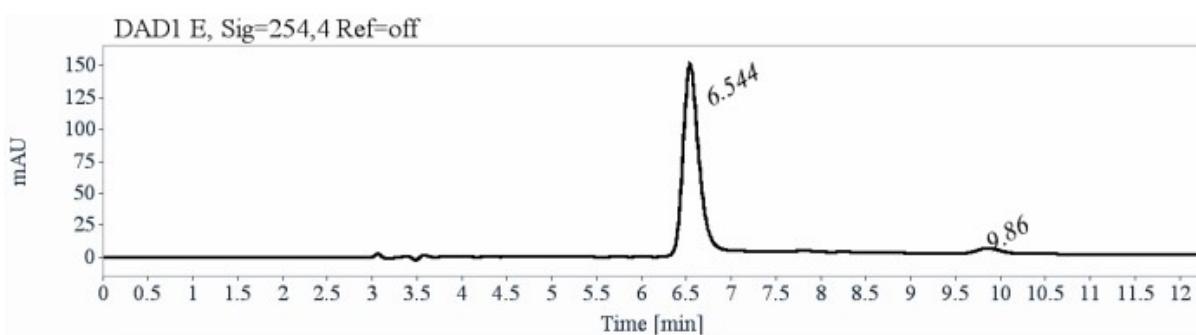
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4ia**



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
6.53	1593	50.30	1.21		
9.85	1574	49.70	2.34	1.93	8.27
Sum	3166	100.00			

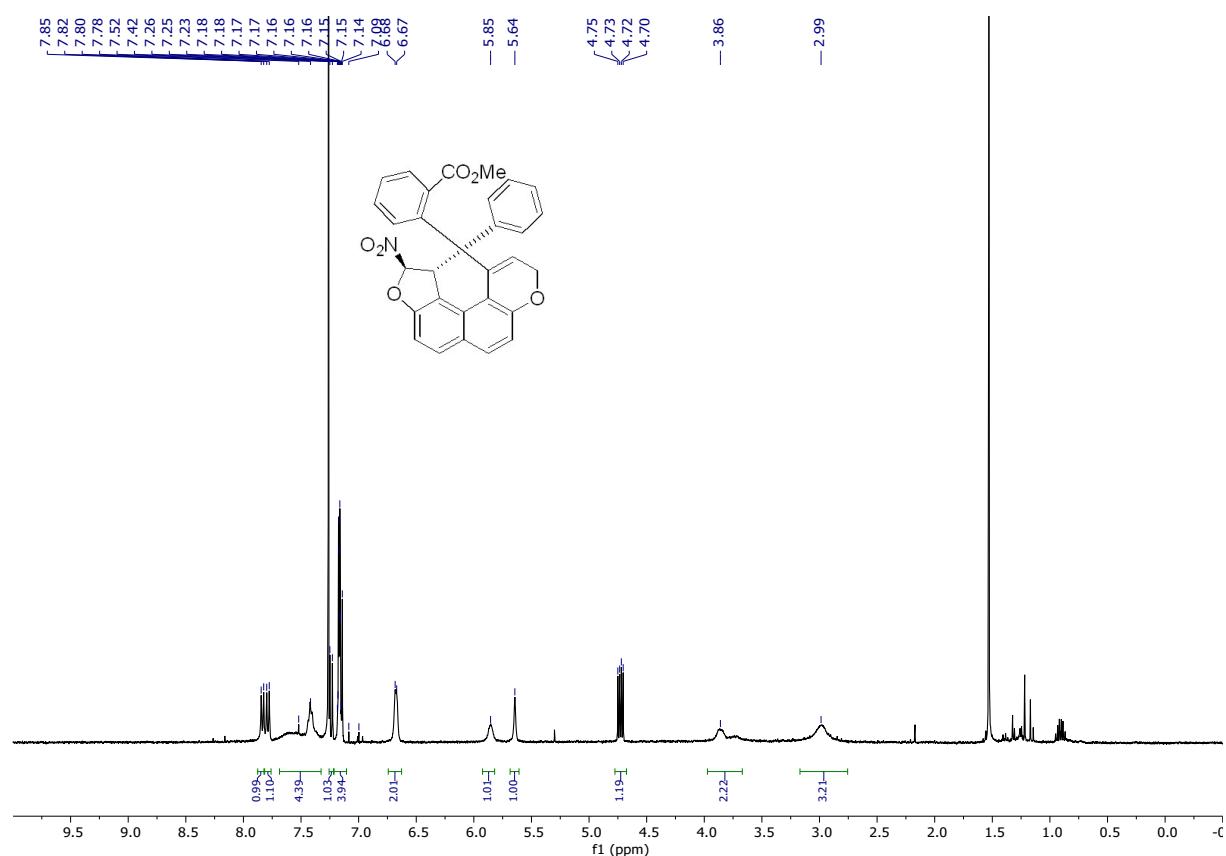
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4ia**



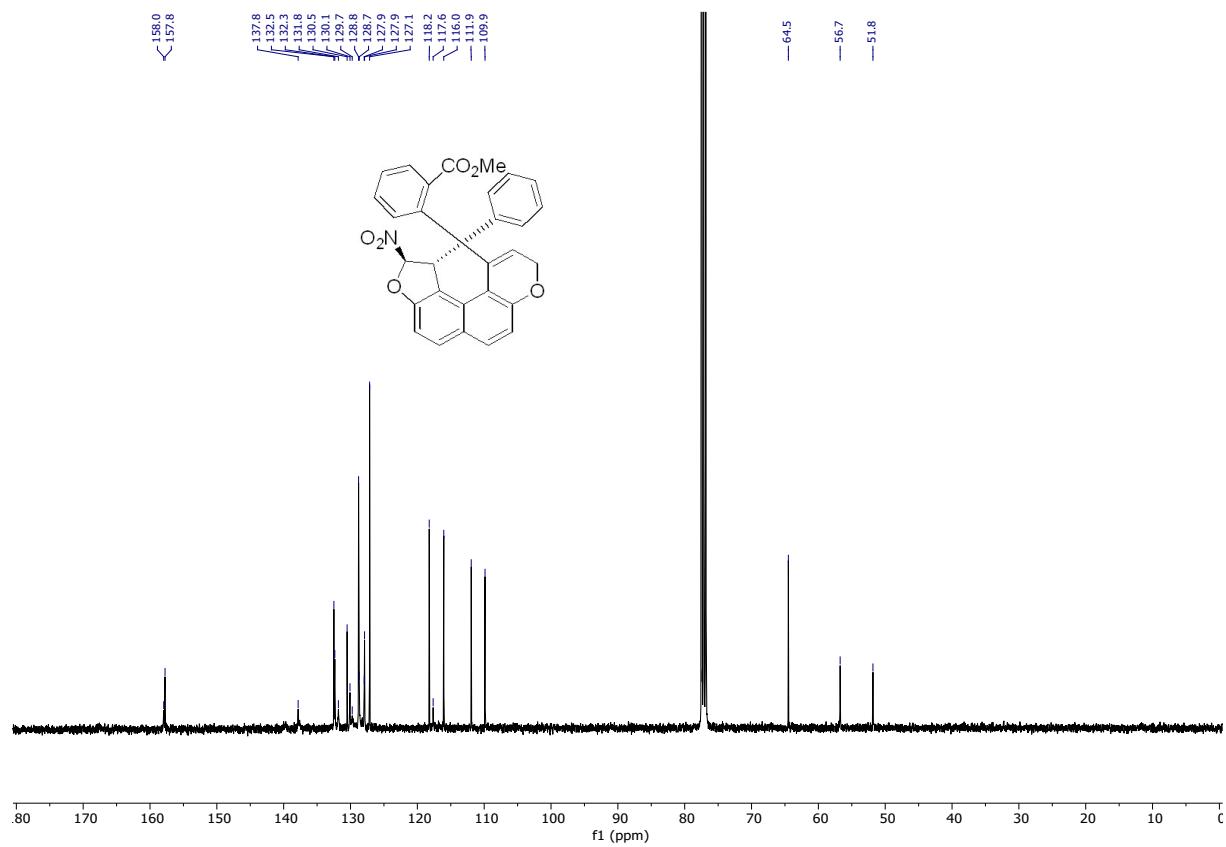
Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
6.54	2034	96.19	1.22		
9.86	80	3.81	2.34	1.92	8.32
Sum	2115	100.00			

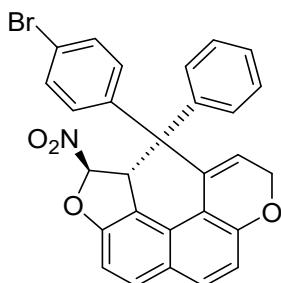
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ia** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ia** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



**(1*R*,2*R*)-11-(4-bromophenyl)-2-nitro-1-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-9*H*-benzofuro[4,5-*f*]chromene (**4ja**)**

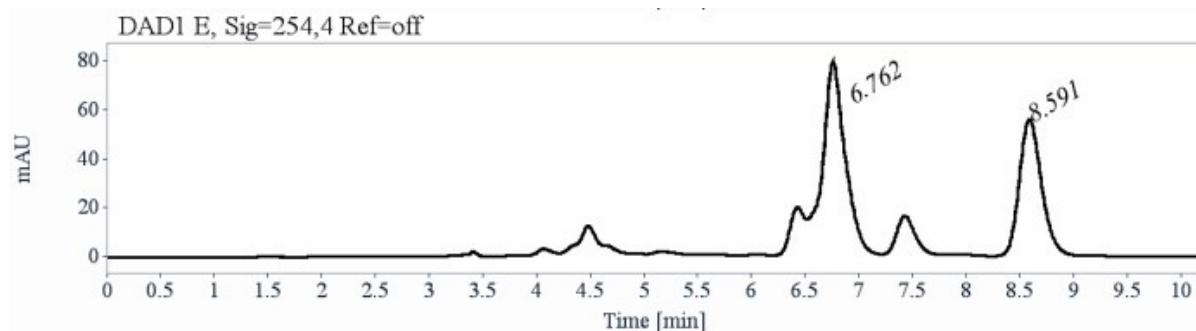


Molecular Weight: 500,3480

Prepared following general procedure using **3j** (35.3 mg) and **2a** (18 mg) for 48 h. The crude product was purified on silica (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 0:100 to 5:95) to yield an off-white powder (60 mg, 0.06 mmol, 60%)

**R**<sub>f</sub> = 0.54 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +276°, **1H NMR** (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.68 – 7.25 (m, 4H), 7.24 – 7.07 (m, 5H), 6.74 – 6.63 (m, 2H), 5.86 (dd, *J* = 6.4, 4.5 Hz, 1H), 5.66 (d, *J* = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (dd, *J* = 12.3, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.05 (s, 1H), 3.76 (dd, *J* = 12.2, 4.6 Hz, 1H). **13C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 158.3, 157.8, 138.6, 137.7, 136.9, 132.7, 132.5, 132.2, 128.9, 128.6, 128.1, 127.8, 127.6, 127.0, 122.9, 118.1, 117.7, 116.0, 115.1, 111.4, 109.9, 64.6, 57.1. **MP** = 226.1 – 227.3 °C, **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z)**: [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>18</sub>BrNO<sub>4</sub>Na<sup>+</sup> 522.0311, found 522.0309. **HPLC analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated **97% ee**, **t<sub>1</sub>**: 6.76 min, **t<sub>2</sub>**: 8.59 min

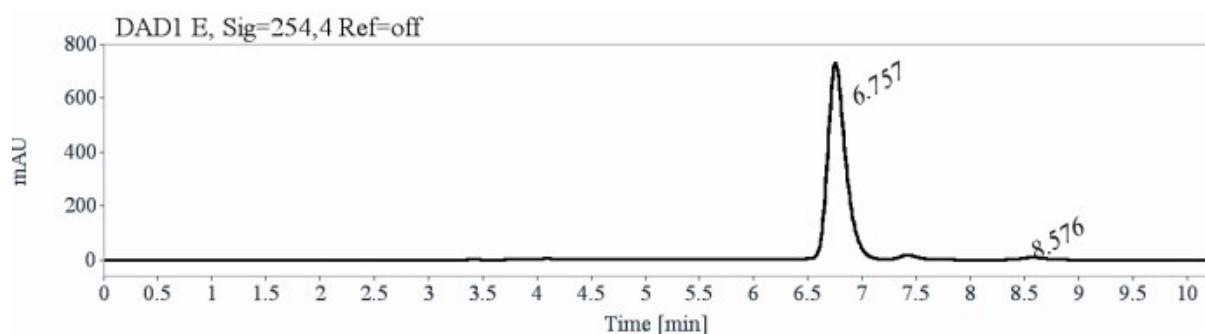
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4ja**



**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
6.76	1167	59.16	1.29		
8.59	806	40.84	1.91	1.48	5.04
Sum	1973	100.00			

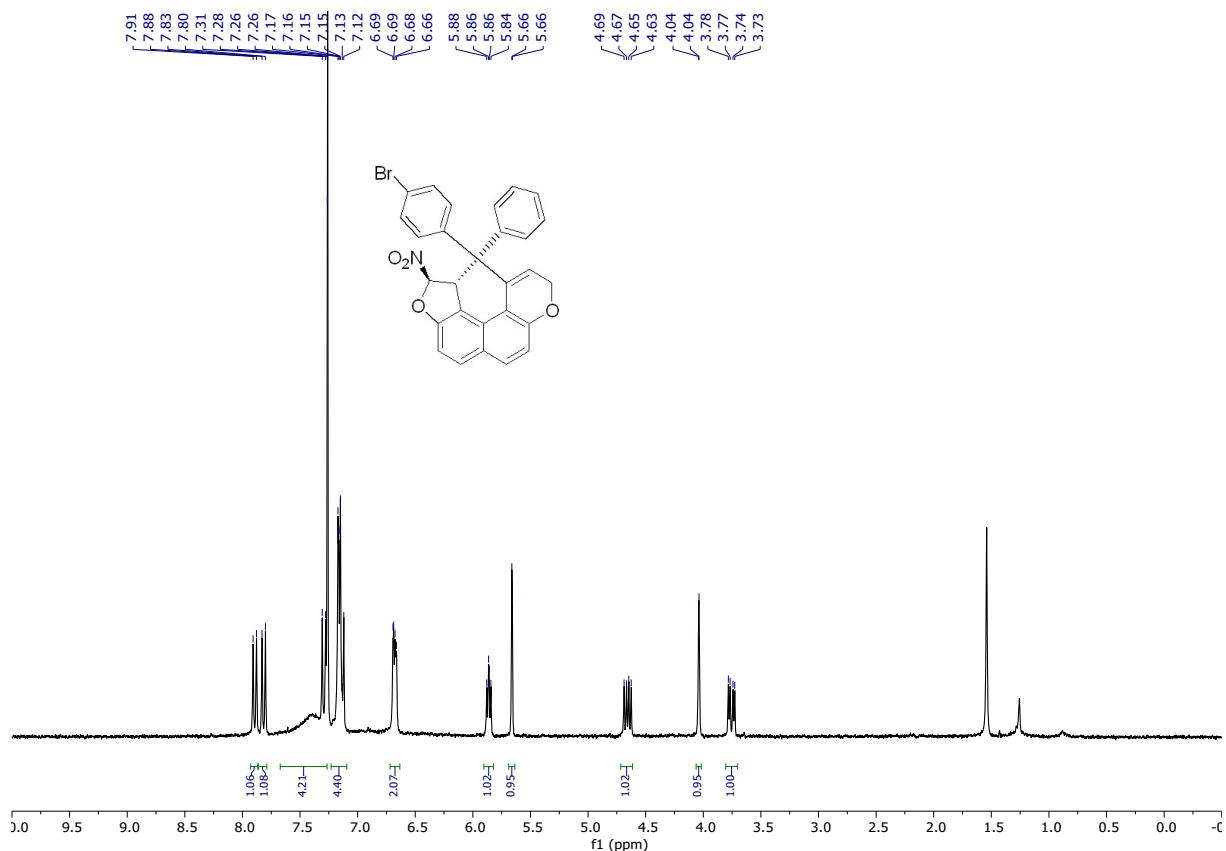
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ja**



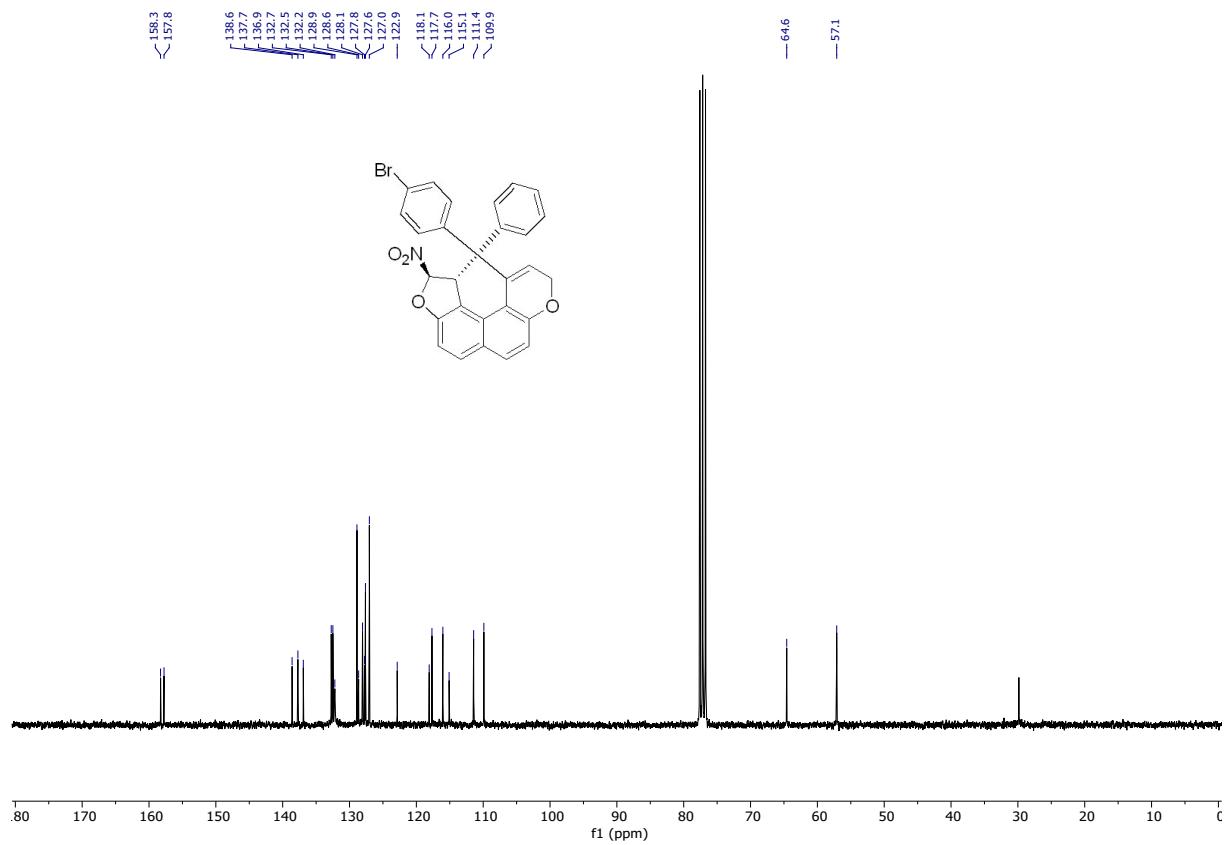
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8.58	130	1.51	1.91	1.48	5.37
Sum	8571	100.00			

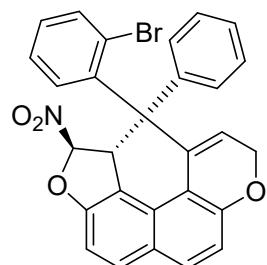
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ja** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ja** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



**(1*R*,2*R*)-11-(2-Bromophenyl)-2-nitro-1-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-9*H*-benzofuro[4,5-*f*]chromene (**4ka**)**

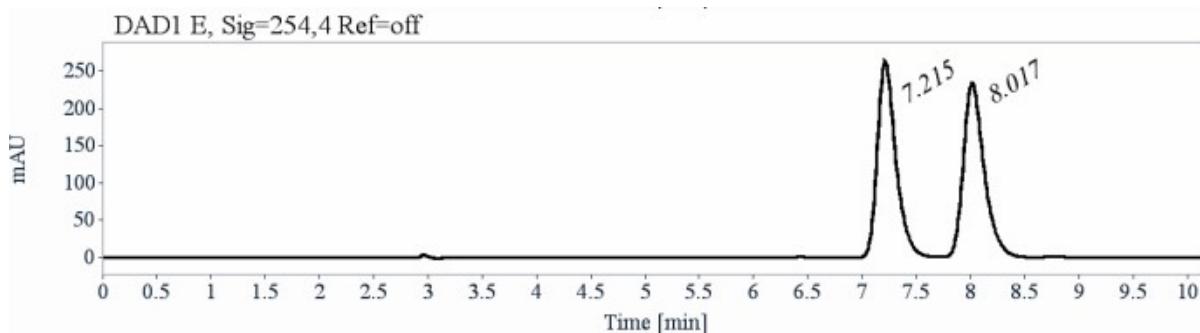


Molecular Weight: 500,3480

Prepared following general procedure using **3k** (35.3 mg) and **2a** (18.3 mg) for 72 h. The crude product was purified on silica (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 0:100 to 2:8) to yield a light-yellow solid (31 mg, 0.062 mmol, 62%)

$R_f$  = 0.1 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether 1:9),  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +200°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.83 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.76 – 6.96 (m, 9H), 6.80 (s, 2H), 6.18 (d, J = 103.8 Hz, 1H), 5.70 (s, 1H), 4.69 (dd, J = 12.4, 6.5 Hz, 1H), 4.63 – 3.61 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>, at 250K) mixture of diastereomers δ 158.1, 157.6, 157.2, 157.0, 140.8, 137.8, 137.7, 137.4, 137.3, 135.1, 134.4, 134.1, 132.93, 132.7, 132.6, 132.4, 130.9, 129.9, 129.0, 128.8, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 128.0, 127.8, 127.7, 127.4, 127.4, 127.3, 127.0, 121.2, 121.1, 120.7, 119.7, 117.9, 116.2, 116.1, 116.0, 115.9, 115.8, 111.8, 111.4, 109.8, 109.5, 64.7, 64.5, 56.6, 56.5. MP = 178.4 – 178.9 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+H]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>19</sub>BrNO<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> 500.0492, found 500.0489. HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated 98.5% ee, t<sub>r</sub>,1: 7.21min, t<sub>r</sub>,2: 8.01 min.

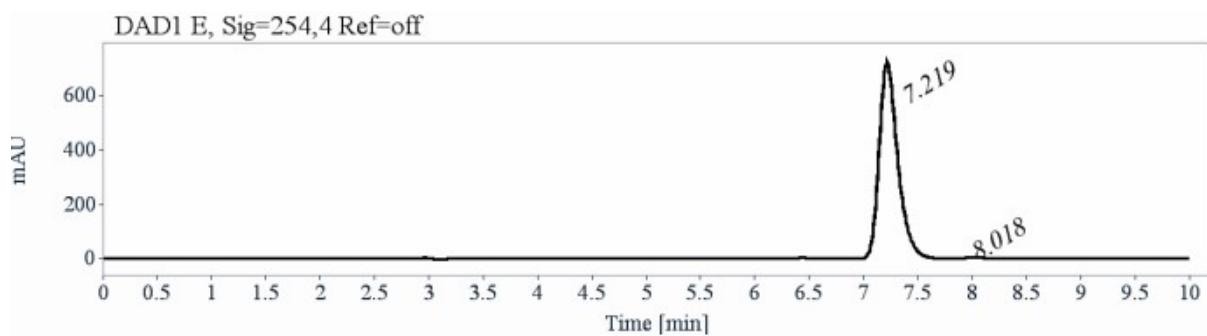
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4ka**



**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
7.22	3098	50.00	1.45		
8.02	3099	50.00	1.72	1.19	2.50
Sum	6197	100.00			

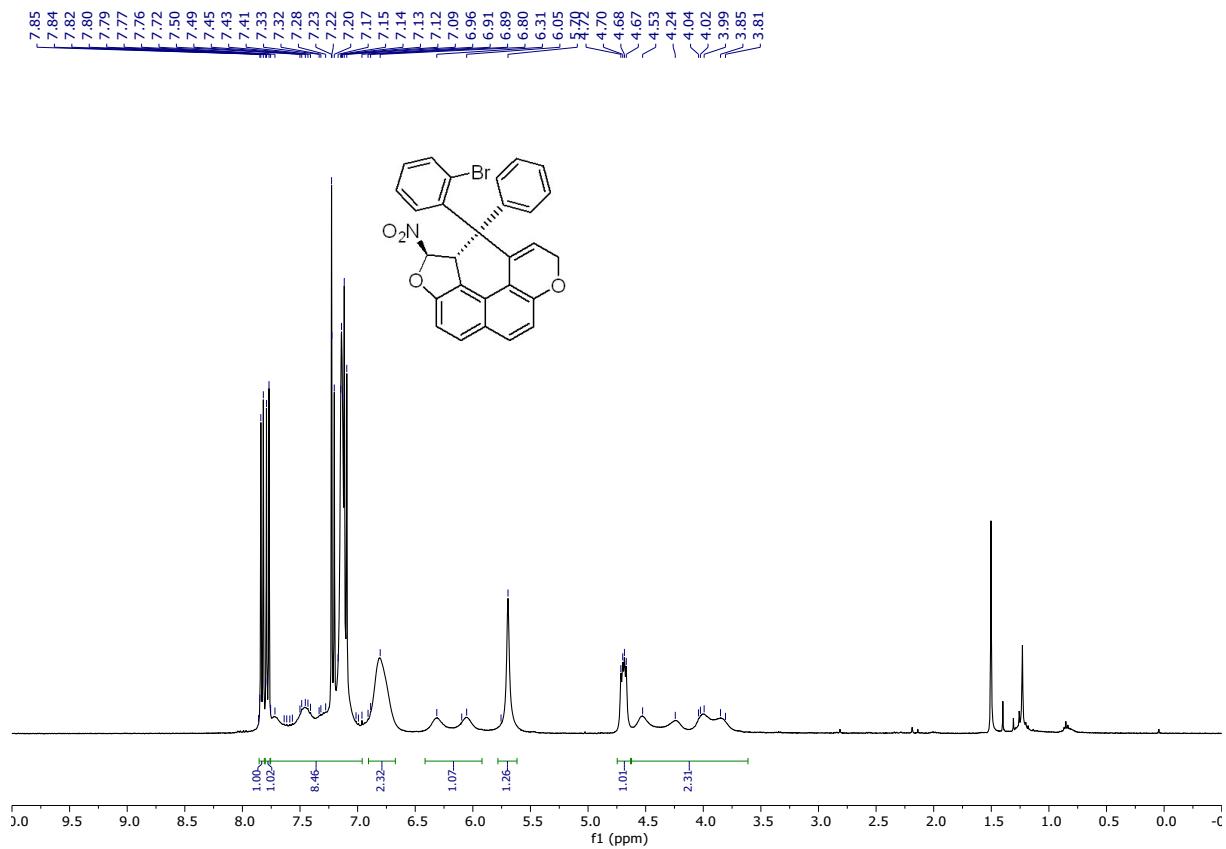
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ka**



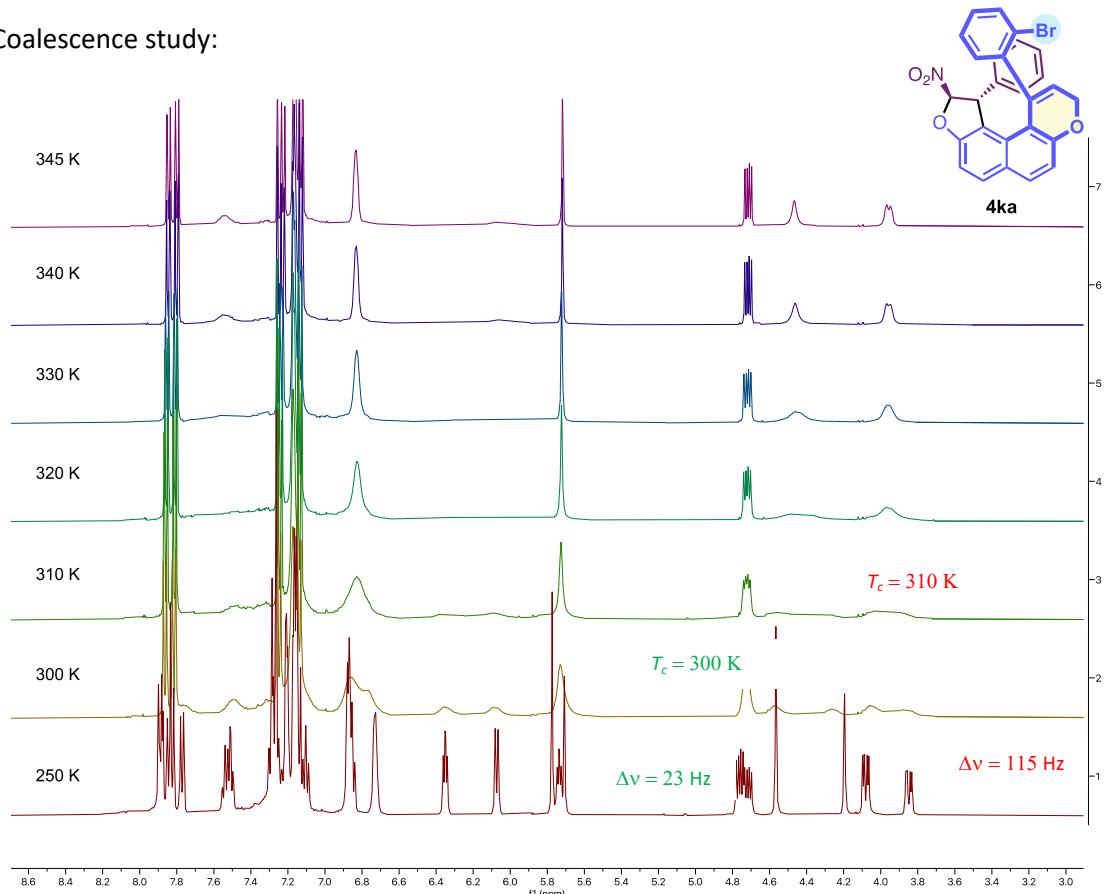
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RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantiosselectivity	Resolution (USP)
7.22	8554	99.28	1.45		
8.02	62	0.72	1.72	1.19	2.56
Sum	8616	100.00			

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ka** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (at 293K)



Coalescence study:



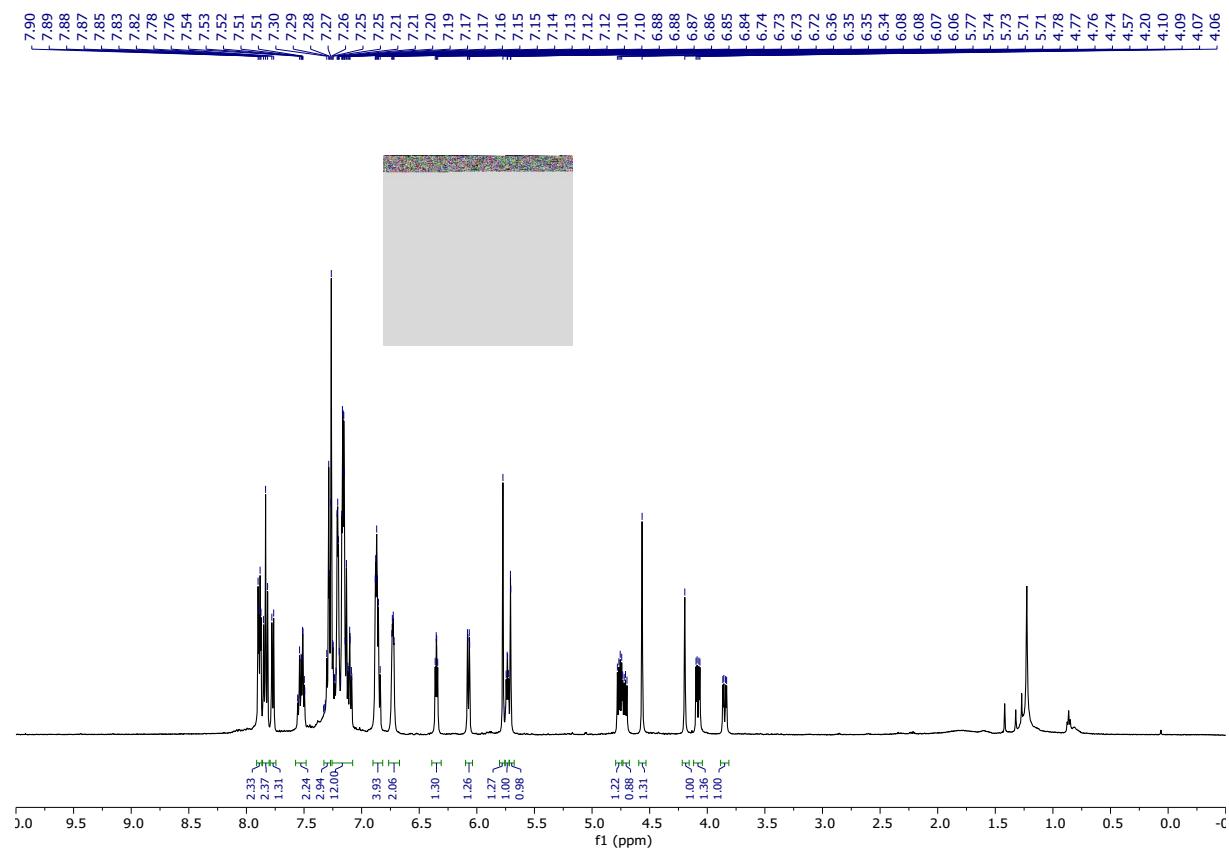
$$\Delta G_{eT_c}^{\neq} = RT_c \left[ \ln\left(\frac{k_B T_c}{h}\right) - \ln\left(\pi \frac{\Delta v}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right]$$

$$\Delta G_{eT_c}^{\neq} = 8.31 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot 310 \left[ \ln\left(\frac{1.38 \cdot 10^{-23} \cdot 310}{6.63 \cdot 10^{-34}}\right) - \ln\left(\pi \frac{115}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right] = 62 \text{ kJ/mol}^{-1}$$

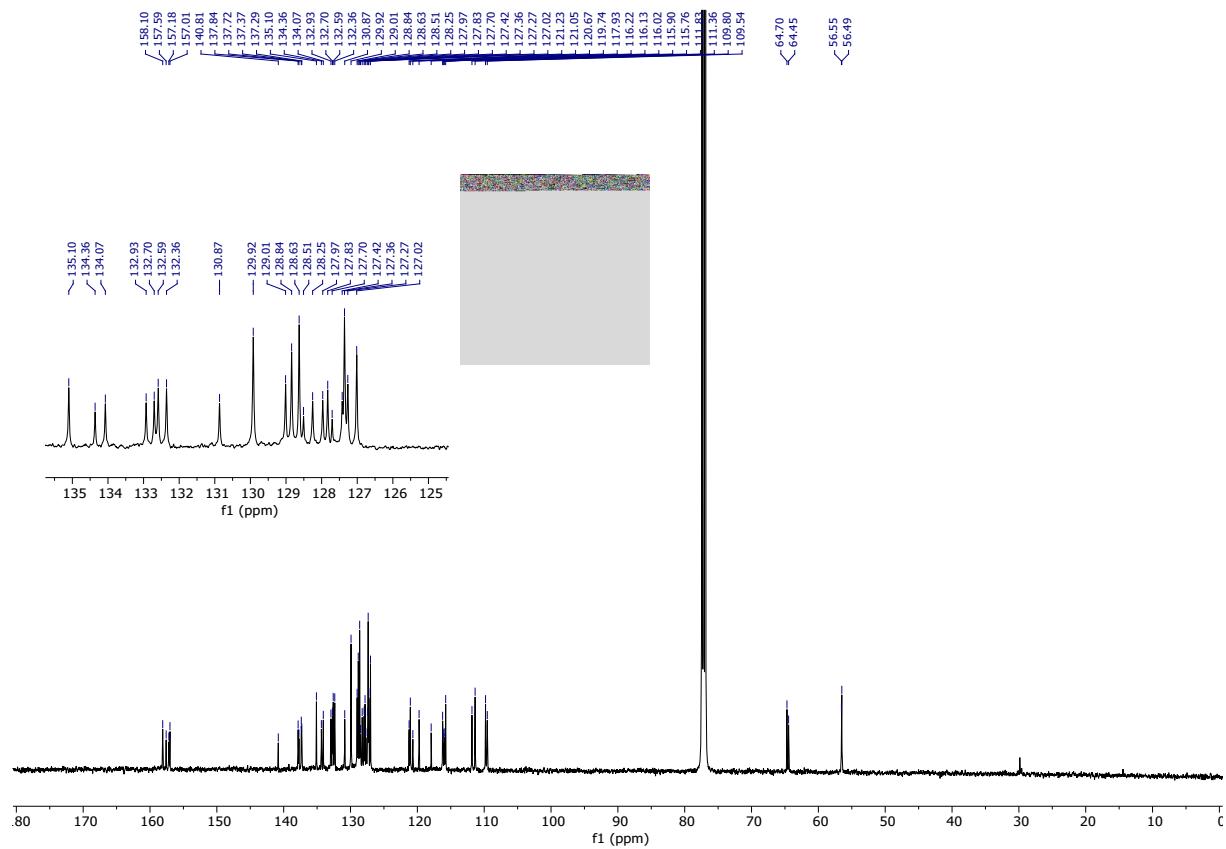
$$\Delta G_{eT_c}^{\neq} = 8.31 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot 300 \left[ \ln\left(\frac{1.38 \cdot 10^{-23} \cdot 300}{6.63 \cdot 10^{-34}}\right) - \ln\left(\pi \frac{23}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right] = 64 \text{ kJ/mol}^{-1}$$

The diastereomerization barrier for **4ka** is  $\Delta G_{exp}^{\neq}(\text{diast.}) = 63 \text{ kJ/mol}$

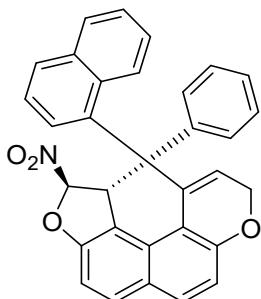
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ka** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (at 250K)



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ka** in CDCl<sub>3</sub> (at 250K)



**(1*R*,2*R*)-11-(naphthalen-1-yl)-2-nitro-1-phenyl-1,2-dihydro-9*H*-benzofuro[4,5-*f*]chromene (**4la**)**

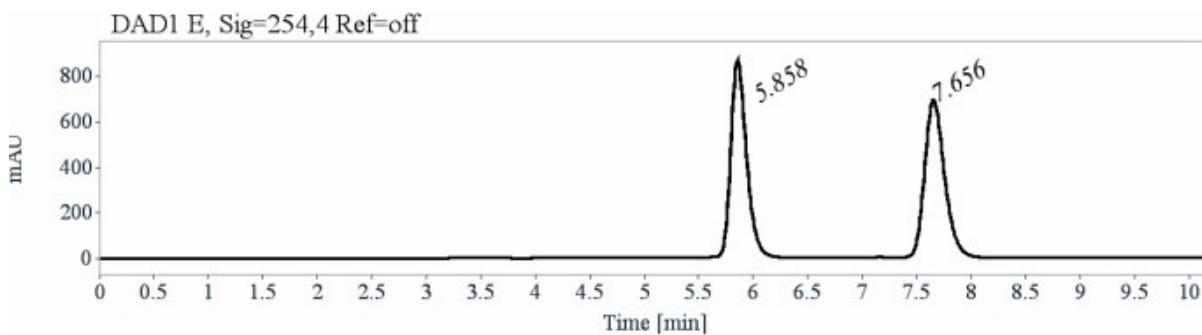


Molecular Weight: 479,4880

Prepared following general procedure using **3I** (32 mg) and **2a** (18 mg) for 96 h. The crude product was purified on silica (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 0:100 to 15:85) to yield a light-yellow solid (32 mg, 0.068 mmol, 68%)

$R_f$  = 0.48 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether 15:85),  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, *c* = 1.0) = +211°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.36 – 8.20 (m, 1H), 8.07 – 7.96 (m, 1H), 7.95 – 7.85 (m, 2H), 7.84 – 7.72 (m, 1H), 7.69 – 7.49 (m, 2H), 7.26 – 6.63 (m, 7H), 6.51 – 6.20 (m, 2H), 6.12 – 5.85 (m, 1H), 5.55 – 5.33 (m, 1H), 4.74 (dd, *J* = 12.1, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.25 – 3.85 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 158.5, 157.7, 137.2, 136.25, 135.17, 134.8, 132.7, 132.5, 130.3, 129.34, 129.29, 128.6, 128.5, 127.9, 127.5, 126.3, 126.1, 125.8, 125.4, 125.1, 120.3, 117.4, 117.2, 116.0, 111.8, 109.7, 64.7, 56.5. MP = 178.8 – 179.1 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (*m/z*): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 578.0516, found 578.0521 HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (95/5), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated 97% ee, t<sub>1</sub>: 5.85 min, t<sub>2</sub>: 7.65 min

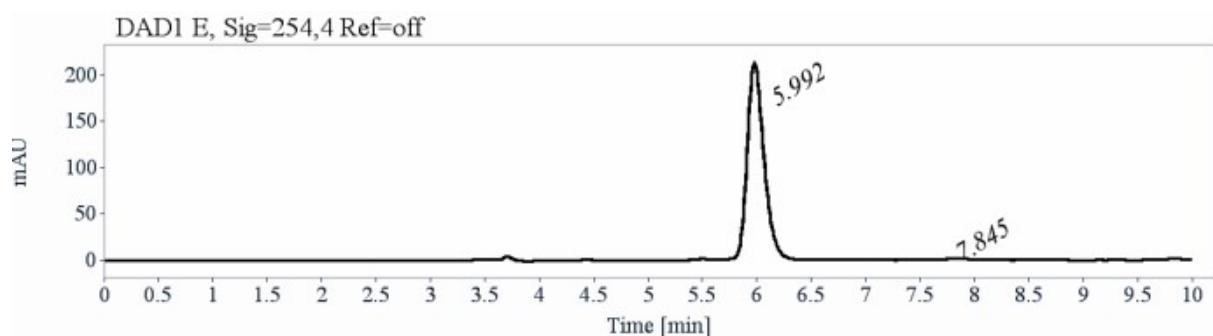
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4la**



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
5.86	8863	49.80	0.99		
7.66	8934	50.20	1.60	1.62	6.08
Sum	17797	100.00			

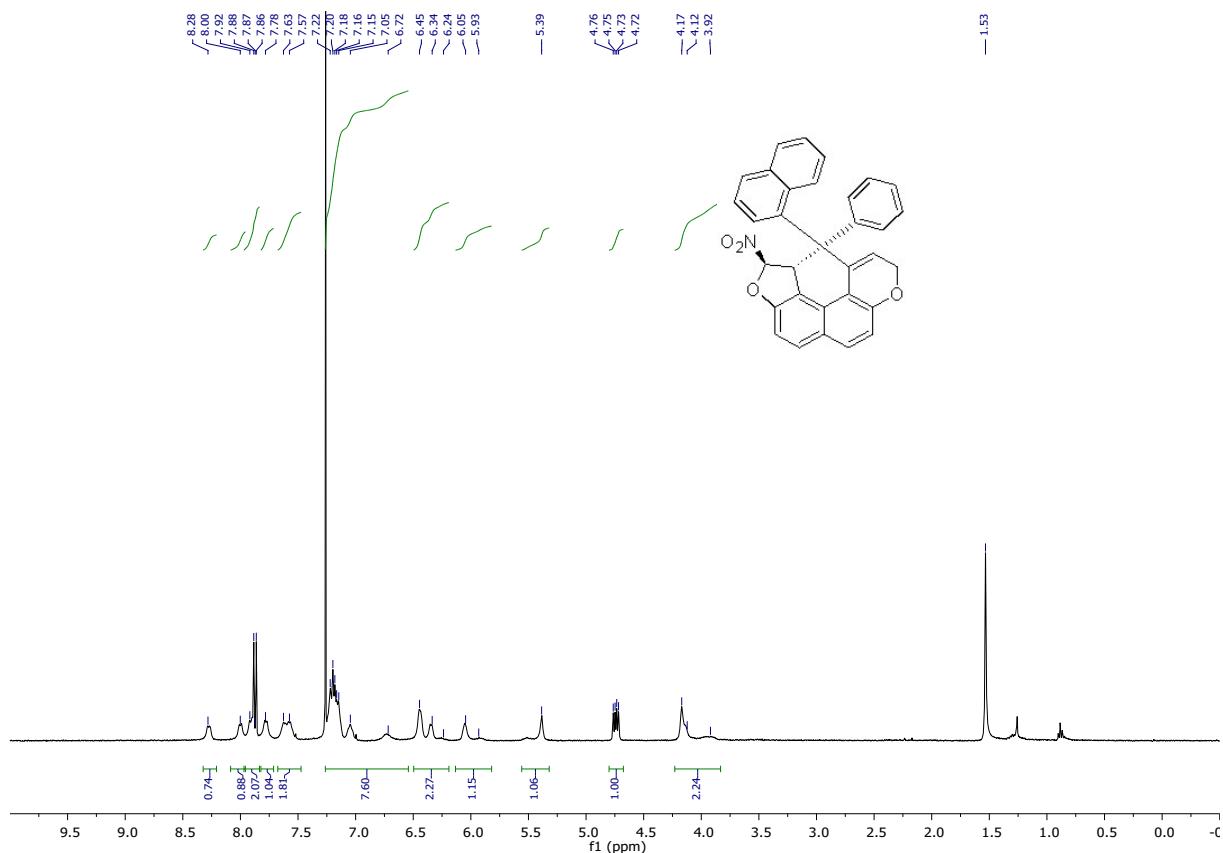
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4la**



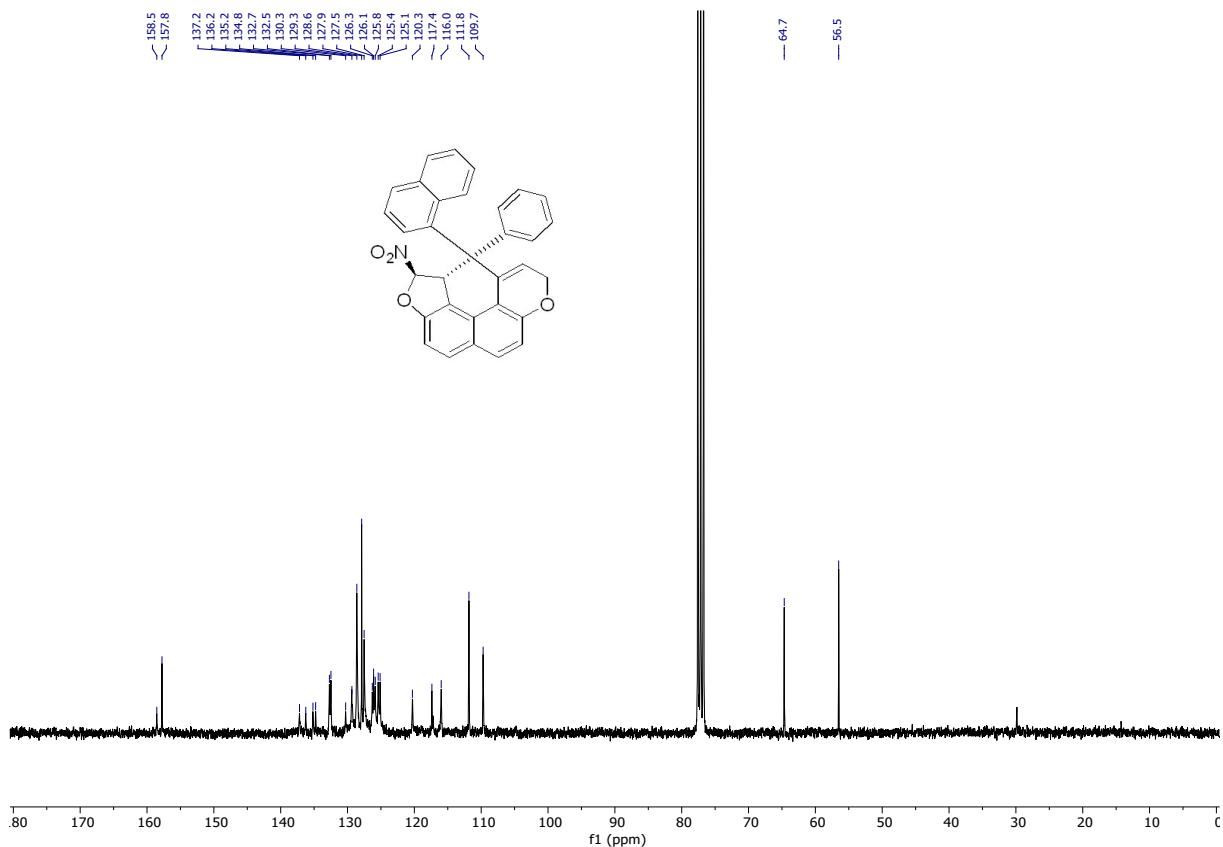
**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
5.99	2322	98.66	1.03		
7.85	32	1.34	1.66	1.61	5.75
Sum	2353	100.00			

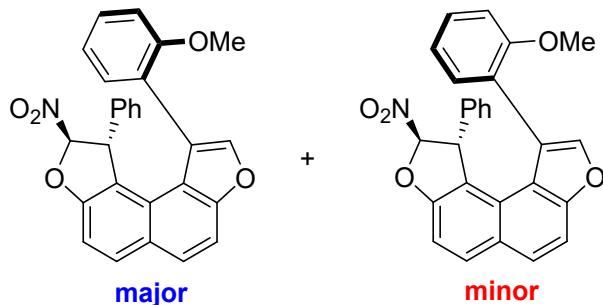
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4la** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4la** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



**(1*R*,2*R*)-9-benzyl-2-nitro-1,10-diphenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*:7,8-*b'*]difuran (**4na**)**

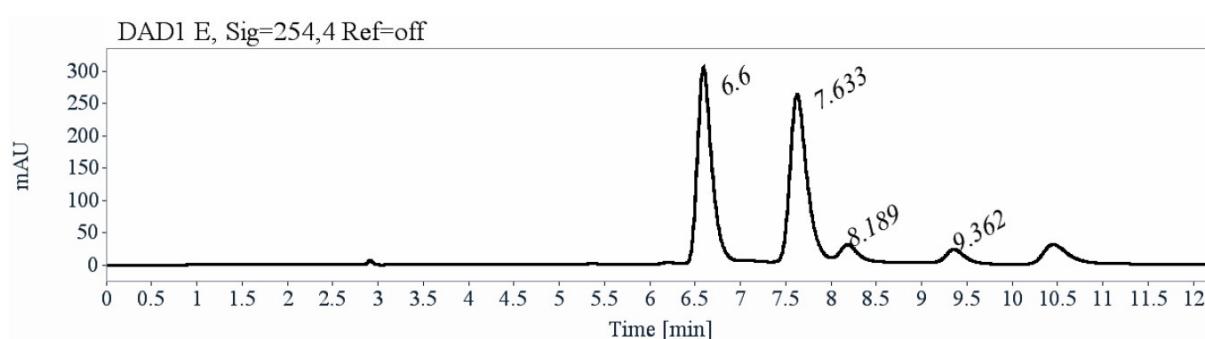


Molecular Weight: 437,4510

Prepared following general procedure using **3n** (29 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and **2a** (18 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) for 10 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:99 to 1:9) to yield a white solid (35 mg, 0.08 mmol, 80%, *rd* = 5:1)

*R*<sub>f</sub> = 0.29 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, *c* = 1.0) = +285°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.06 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 0.85H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 0.15H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (s, 0.15H), 7.52 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 7.5, 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.41 (s, 0.85H), 7.41 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 0.6 Hz, 0.85H), 7.39 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 0.3H), 7.15 – 6.95 (m, 4H), 6.95 – 6.89 (m, 0.15H), 6.85 (td, *J* = 7.4, 1.0 Hz, 0.85H), 6.72 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 1.8 Hz, 0.85H), 6.40 – 6.30 (m, 0.3H), 6.27 – 6.17 (m, 1.7H), 5.75 (d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 0.85H), 5.72 (d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 0.15H), 4.74 (s, 0.85H), 4.46 (s, 0.15H), 3.48 (s, 2.55H), 3.40 (s, 0.45H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 158.2, 157.7, 154.9, 142.6, 137.6, 132.7, 131.6, 130.1, 129.0, 128.5, 127.7, 127.4, 127.4, 127.3, 127.3, 122.7, 121.3, 120.7, 116.7, 112.2, 111.8, 110.1, 109.8, 56.1, 54.9. MP = 82 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (*m/z*): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup>, 544.0309 found 544.0307. HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-2, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated 89% ee and 89% ee, t<sub>r1</sub>: 6.60 min, t<sub>r2</sub>: 7.63 min and, t<sub>r1</sub>: 8.19 min, t<sub>r2</sub>: 9.53 min

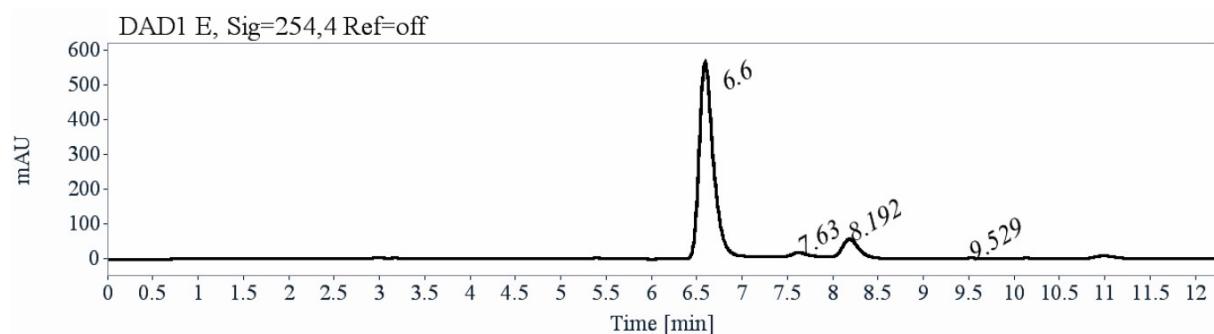
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4na**



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
6.60	3478	45.29	1.24		
7.63	3461	45.06	1.59	1.28	3.33
8.19	440	5.73	1.78	1.12	1.56
9.36	301	3.92	2.17	1.22	3.12
Sum	7680	100.00			

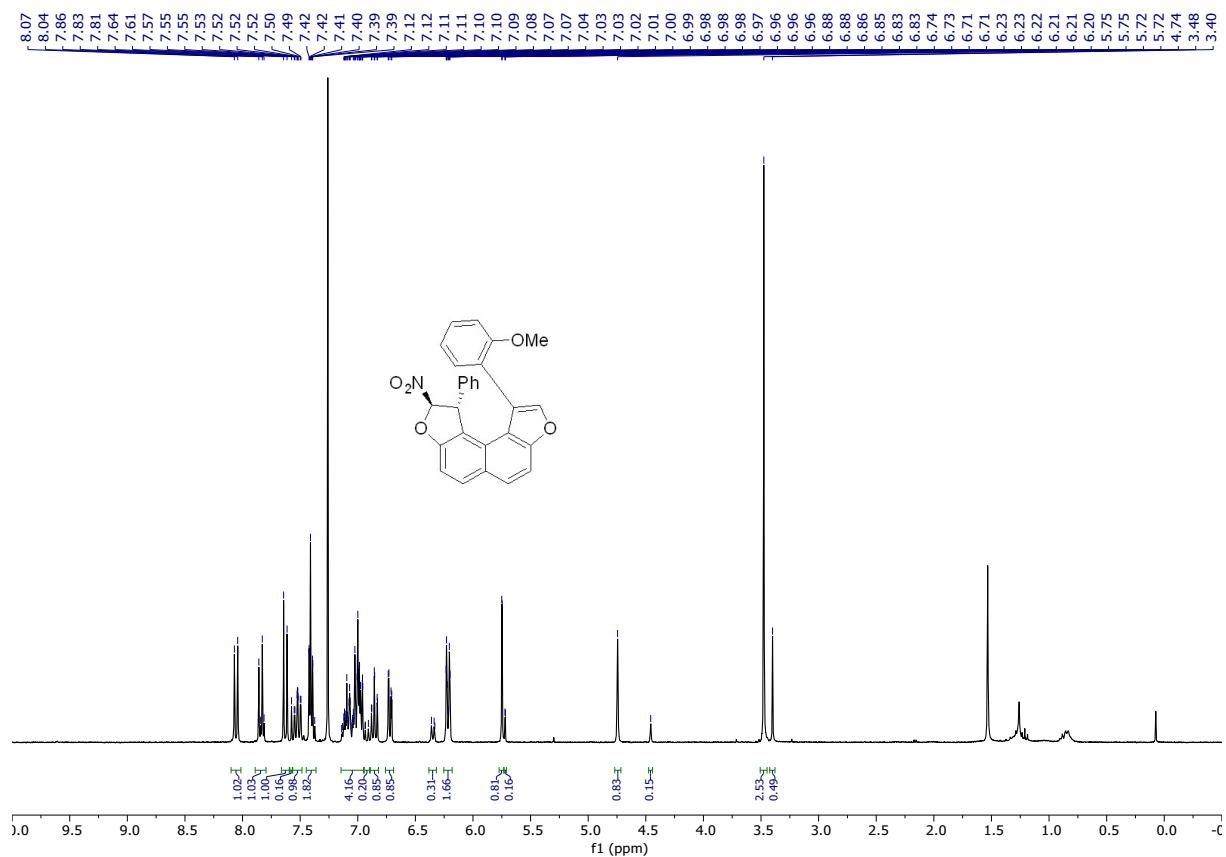
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4na**



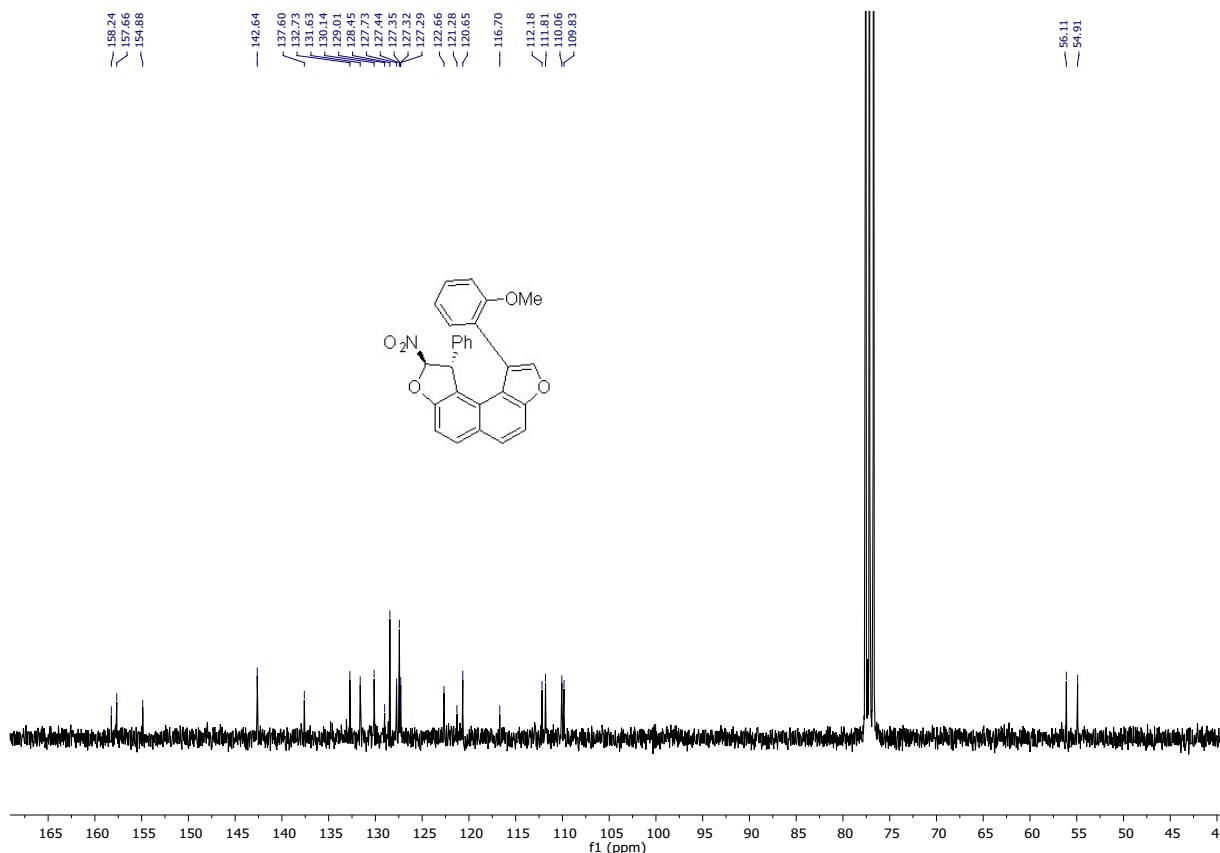
**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
6.60	6317	83.95	1.24		
7.63	364	4.83	1.59	1.28	2.84
8.19	796	10.57	1.78	1.12	1.42
9.53	48	0.64	2.23	1.26	3.09
Sum	7525	100.00			

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4na** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4na** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



**Evidence of C–H···π interactions in **4na****

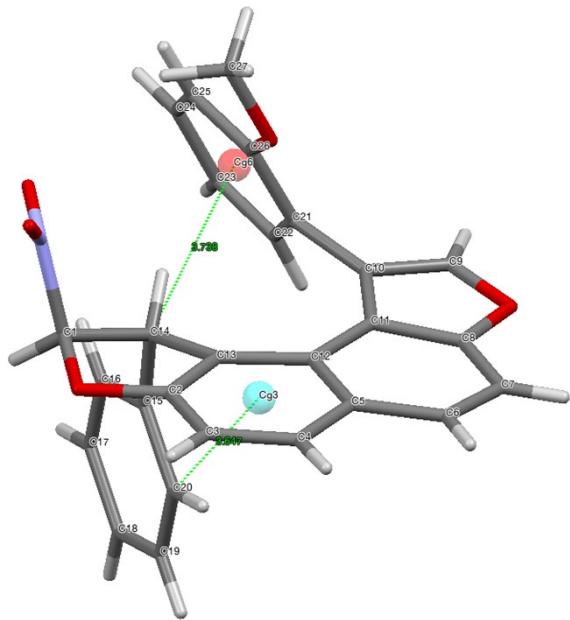
Interestingly, the barrier to diastereomerization of the stereogenic axis in **4na** was found to be quite high ( $\Delta G^\ddagger_{\text{calc}} = 92.7 \text{ kJ.mol}^{-1}$ ), probably due to intramolecular C–H···p interactions, that can clearly be seen in the X-Ray structure and which may bring rigidity the structure. The molecules **4na** reveals the presence of two of these interactions: the distances C14-Cg6 and C20-Cg3 are equal to 3.738 Å and 3.647 Å respectively, Cg6 and Cg3 representing the centroids of the benzene rings of the anisole and the benzofuran respectively. The corresponding C–H···Cg angles are also within the typical values for such interactions, i.e. higher than 130° :

**C14–H–Cg6 : 149.80°**

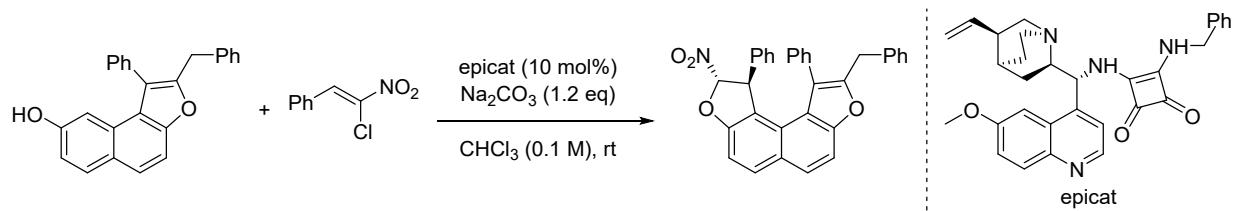
**C20–H–Cg3 : 131.31°**

**Distances C–Cg**

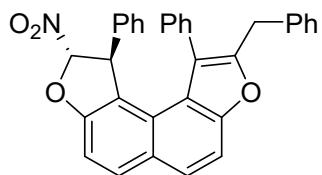
**Angles C–H–Cg**



**b) Synthesis of the other enantiomer**



(1*S*,2*S*)-9-benzyl-2-nitro-1,10-diphenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*:7,8-*b*']difuran (enant-4ea)



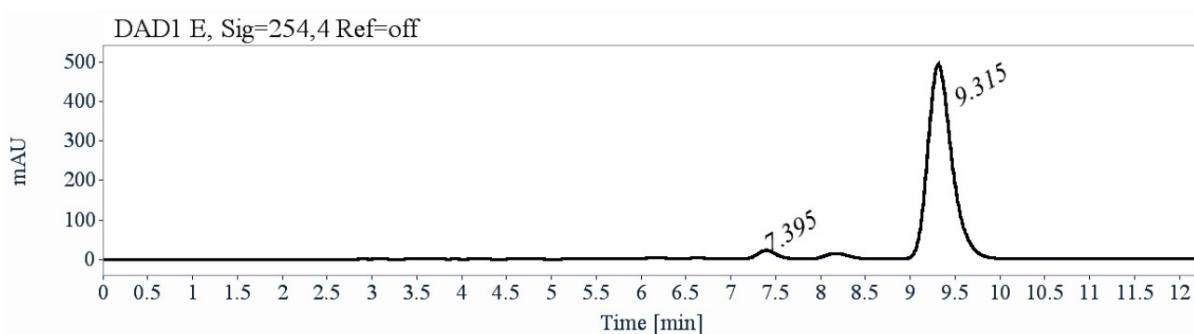
Molecular Weight: 497,55

Prepared following general procedure using **3e** (42 mg, 0.12 mmol, 1.2 equiv.), **2a** (18 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and **epicat** for 5 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography ( $\text{SiO}_2$ , liquid deposit,  $\text{EtOAc}/\text{Petroleum ether} = 1:99$  to  $3:97$ ) to yield a white solid (25 mg, 0.05 mmol, 50%)

$^1\text{H}$  NMR spectroscopic data are in accordance with product **4ea**.

$[\alpha]_D^{25}$  ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ ,  $c = 1.0$ ) =  $-171^\circ$ , **HPLC analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-2, Heptane/Isopropanol (95/5), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated **93% ee**,  $t_{r,1}$ : 7.40 min,  $t_{r,2}$ : 9.31 min

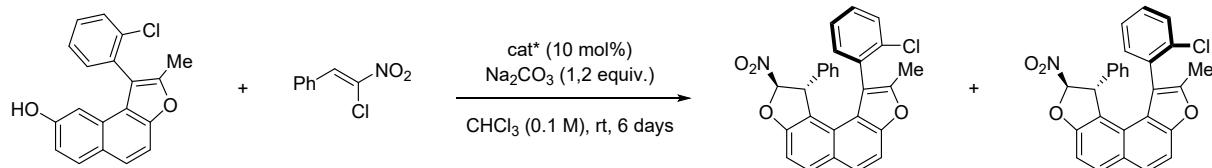
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **ag-3-054**



**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

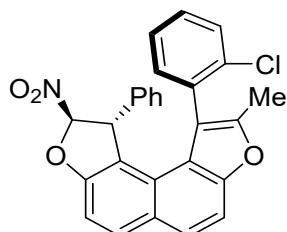
RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
7.40	322	3.36	1.51		
9.31	9251	96.64	2.16	1.43	4.44
Sum	9573	100.00			

**c) Deracemization of axially chiral derivative**



Prepared following general procedure using ( $\pm$ )-**3m** (34 mg, 0.11 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) and **2a** (18 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) for 6 days. The crude product was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:99 to 1:24) to yield two white solids (**f1** 11 mg, 0.024 mmol, 24% and **f2** 14 mg, 0.031 mmol, 31%)

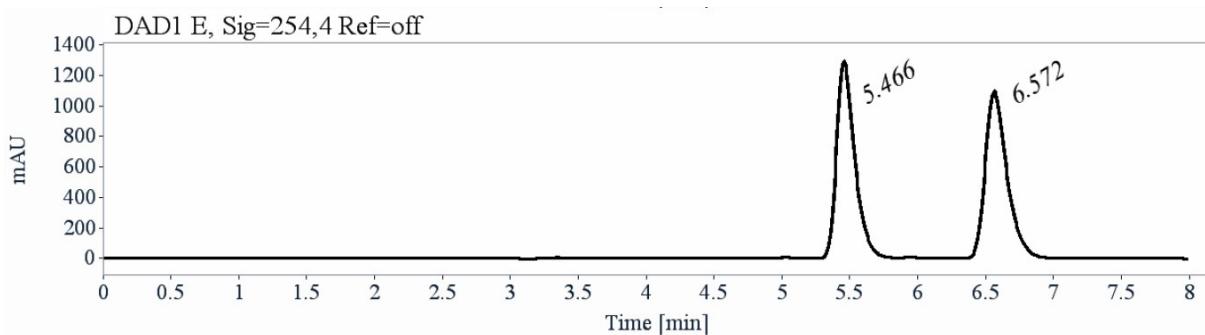
(aR)-(1R,2R)-10-(2-chlorophenyl)-9-methyl-2-nitro-1-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-b:7,8-b']difuran (4ma f1)



Molecular Weight: 455,89

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.42 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +141°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.05 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.55 – 7.47 (m, 1H), 7.43 (dd, J = 8.1, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.30 (m, 2H), 7.21 – 7.04 (m, 4H), 6.39 – 6.35 (m, 2H), 5.71 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.08 (s, 1H), 2.21 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 157.9, 153.6, 152.7, 137.4, 135.7, 133.7, 133.3, 132.9, 130.8, 130.0, 129.2, 128.9, 127.9, 127.5, 127.0, 126.6, 125.9, 121.2, 115.6, 115.4, 112.5, 111.3, 110.0, 56.2, 13.1. MP = 80 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [2M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>54</sub>H<sub>36</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 1019.0889, found 1019.0882. HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-2, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated 93% ee, t<sub>r1</sub>: 5.47 min, t<sub>r2</sub>: 6.58 min

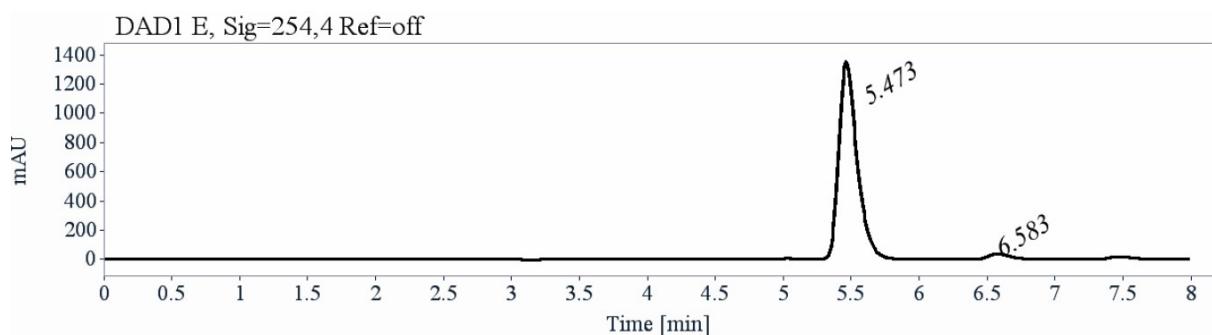
Chiral HPLC spectrum of ***rac*-4ma f1**



**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
5.47	11971	49.58	0.85		
6.57	12175	50.42	1.23	1.44	4.21
Sum	24146	100.00			

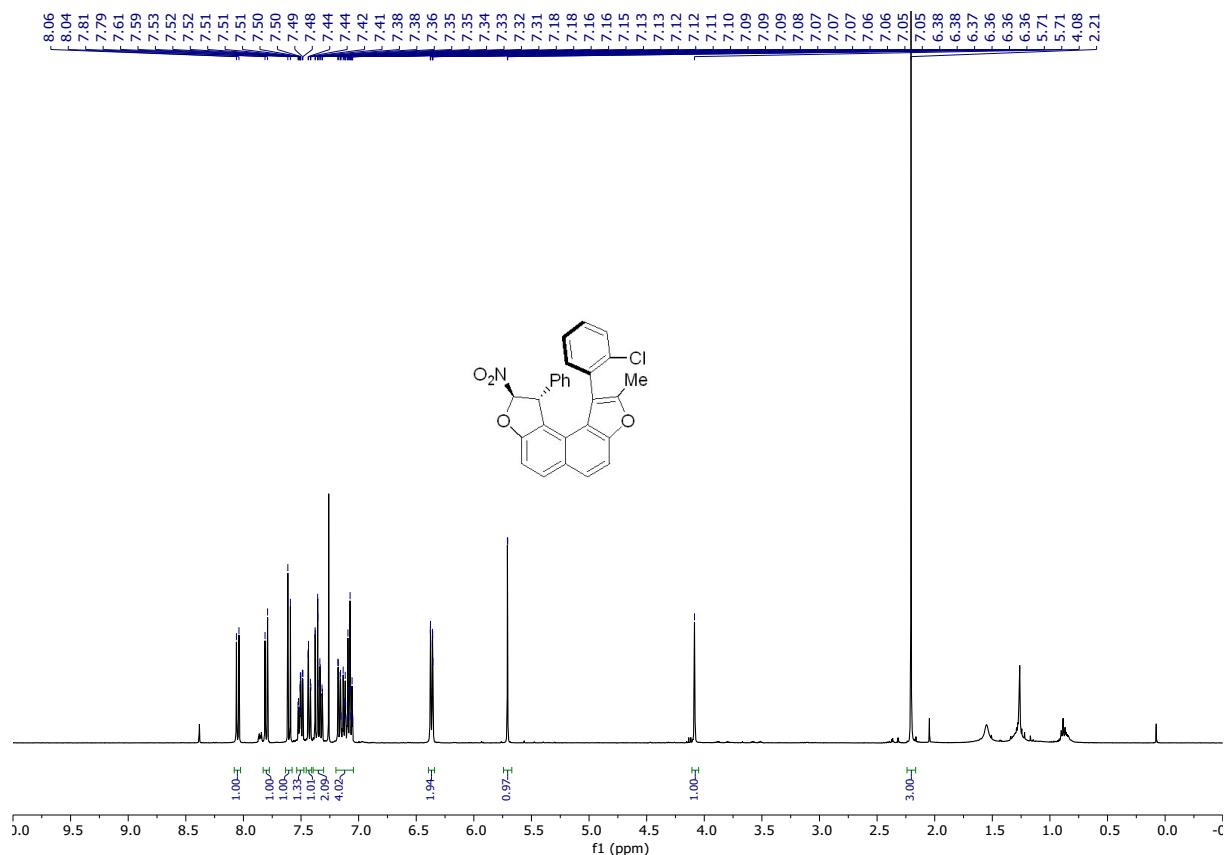
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ma f1**



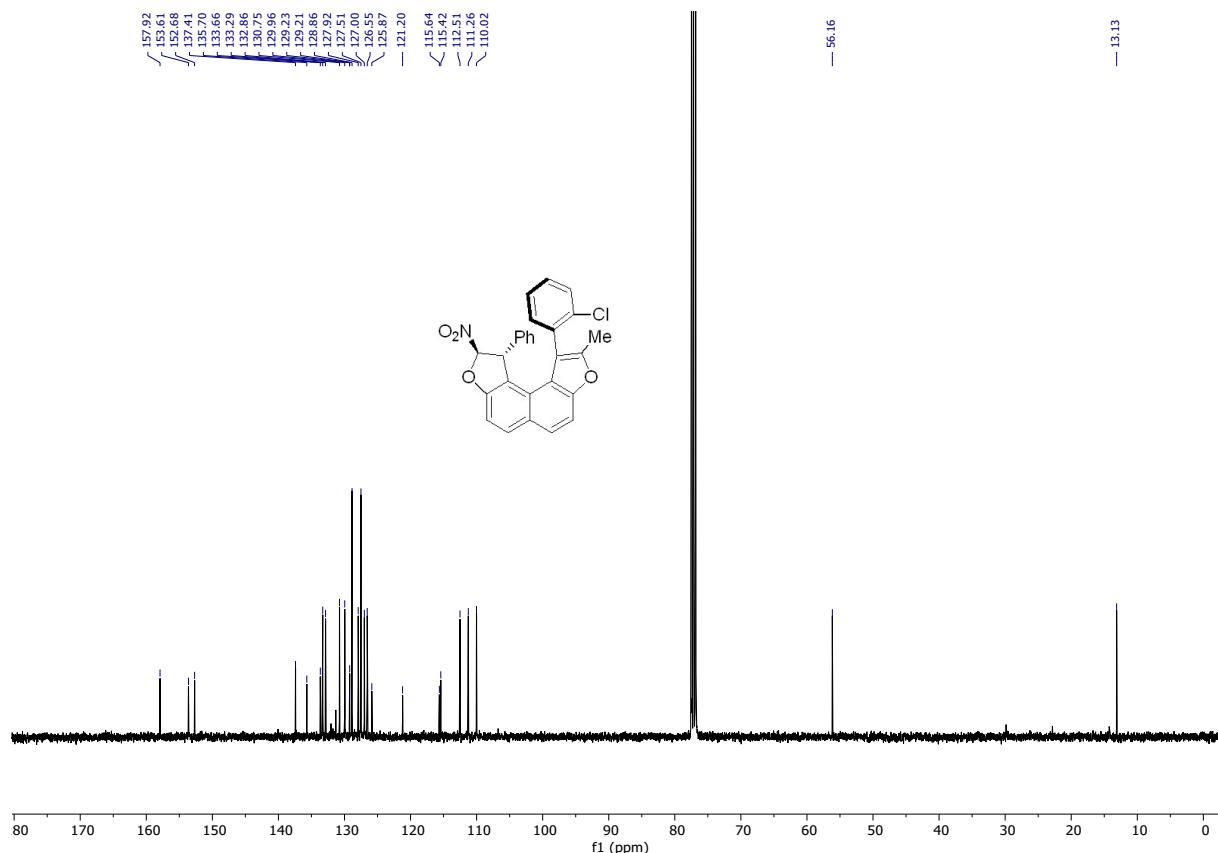
**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
5.47	12669	96.61	0.86		
6.58	445	3.39	1.23	1.44	4.23
Sum	13114	100.00			

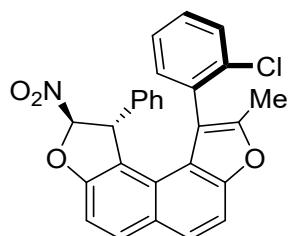
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ma f1** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ma f1** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



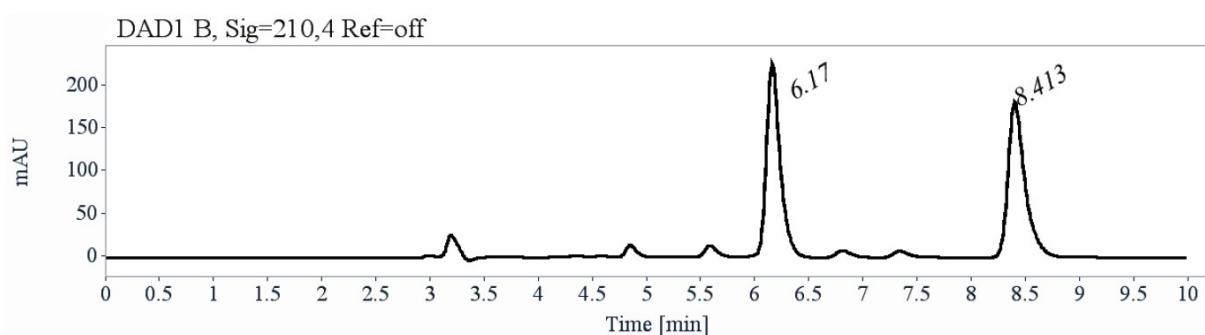
(aS)-(1R,2R)-10-(2-chlorophenyl)-9-methyl-2-nitro-1-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-b:7,8-b']difuran (4ma f2)



Molecular Weight: 455,89

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.31 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = +233°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 8.04 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (ddd, J = 8.0, 7.4, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dd, J = 8.8, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 7.17 – 7.08 (m, 2H), 7.08 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 6.62 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.38 – 6.25 (m, 2H), 5.76 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.47 (s, 1H), 2.16 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ (ppm) 157.6, 153.2, 152.4, 137.0, 136.3, 133.3, 133.4, 132.9, 129.7, 129.7, 129.0, 128.5, 127.8, 127.7, 127.1, 126.7, 126.7, 121.4, 116.6, 115.8, 112.3, 111.2, 110.0, 55.6, 12.6. MP = 213 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [2M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>54</sub>H<sub>36</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 1019.0889, found 1019.0880. HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-2, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 210 nm) indicated 92% ee, t<sub>r</sub>1: 6.17 min, t<sub>r</sub>2: 8.42 min

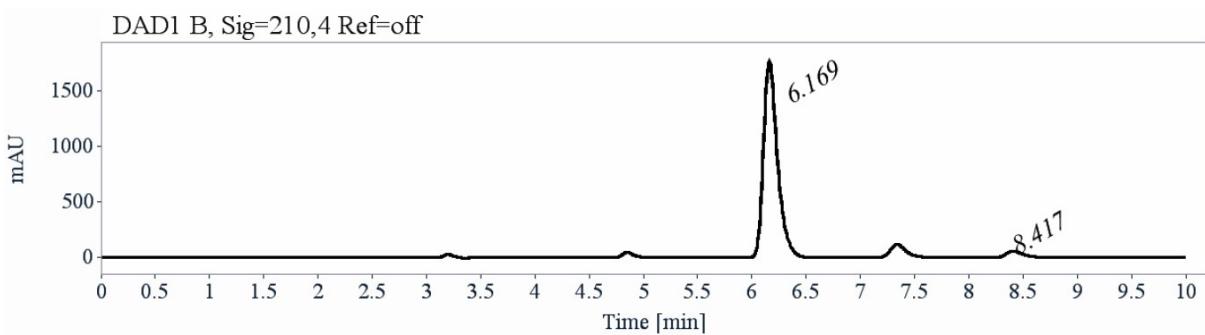
Chiral HPLC spectrum of ***rac*-4ma f2**



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8.41	1992	49.92	1.85	1.70	9.08
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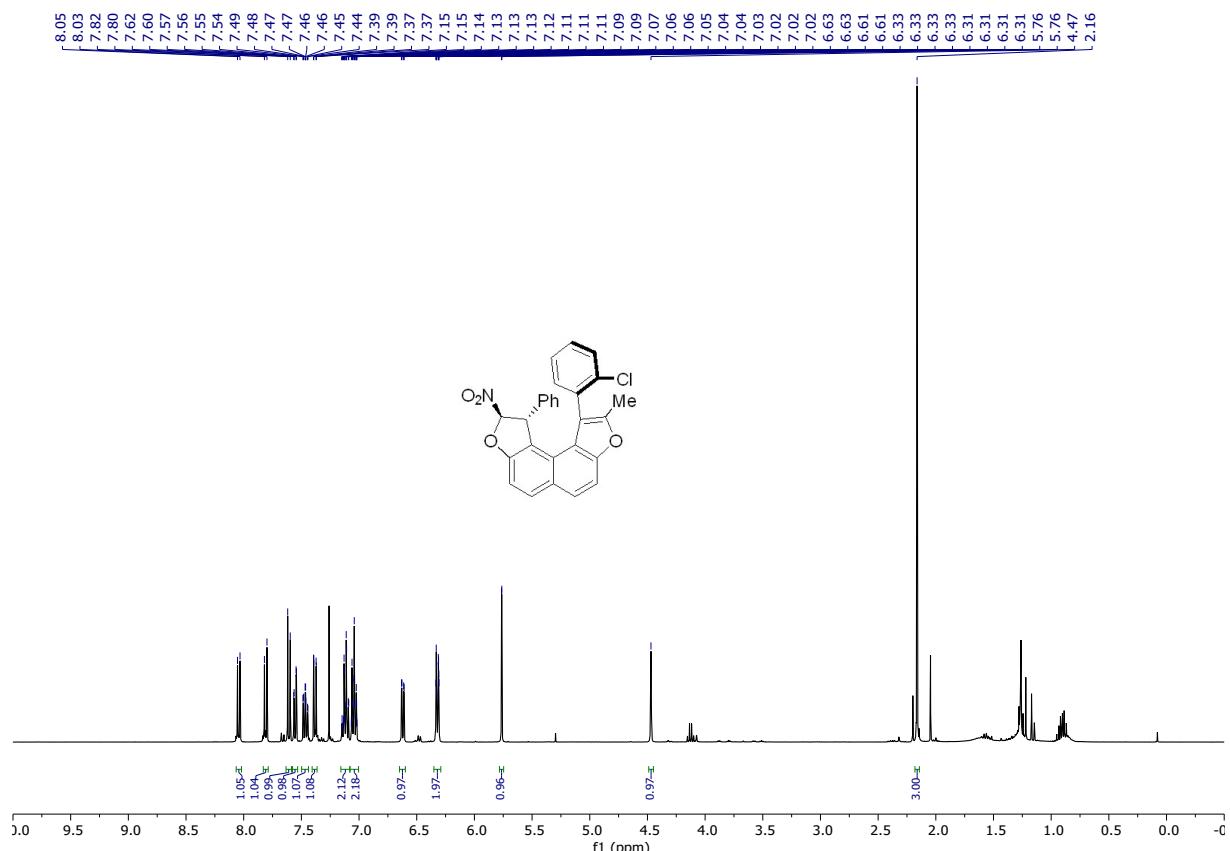
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ma f2**



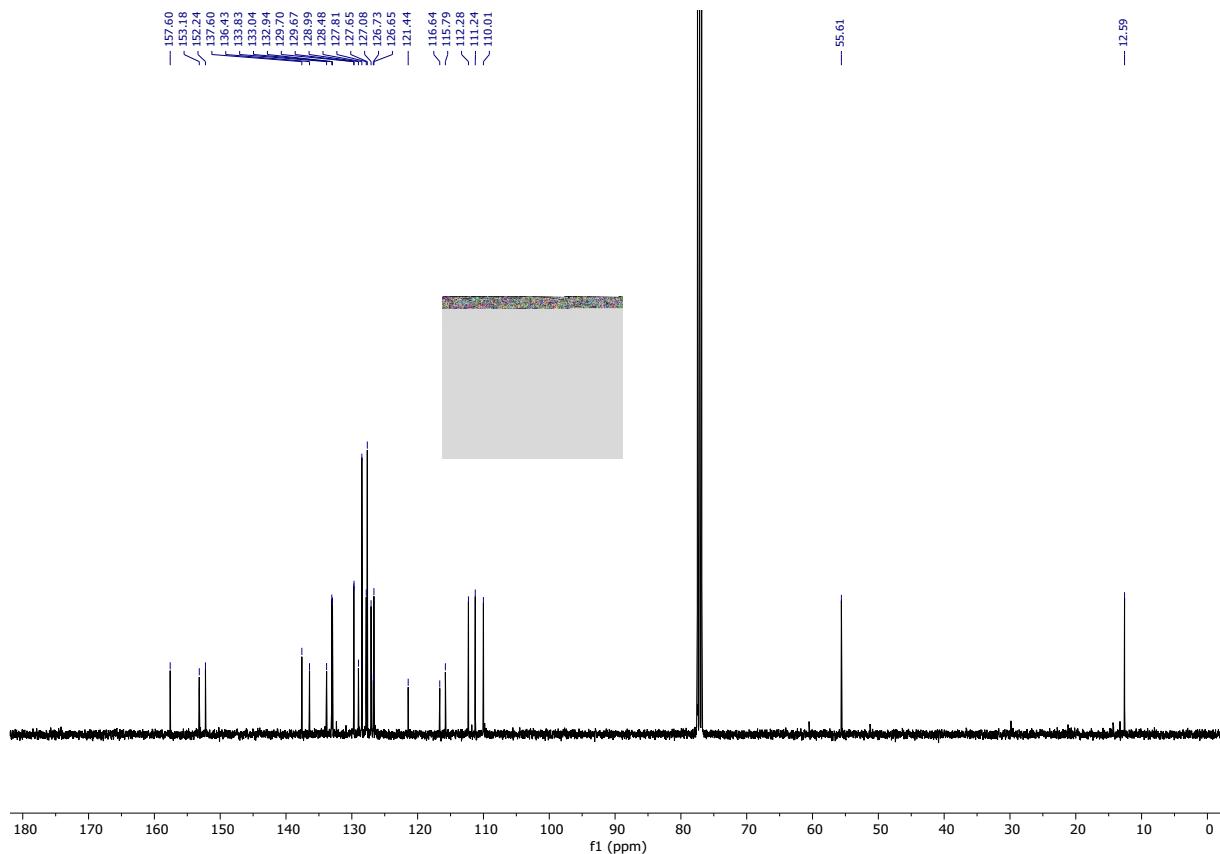
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8.42	660	4.00	1.85	1.70	8.97
Sum	16510	100.00			

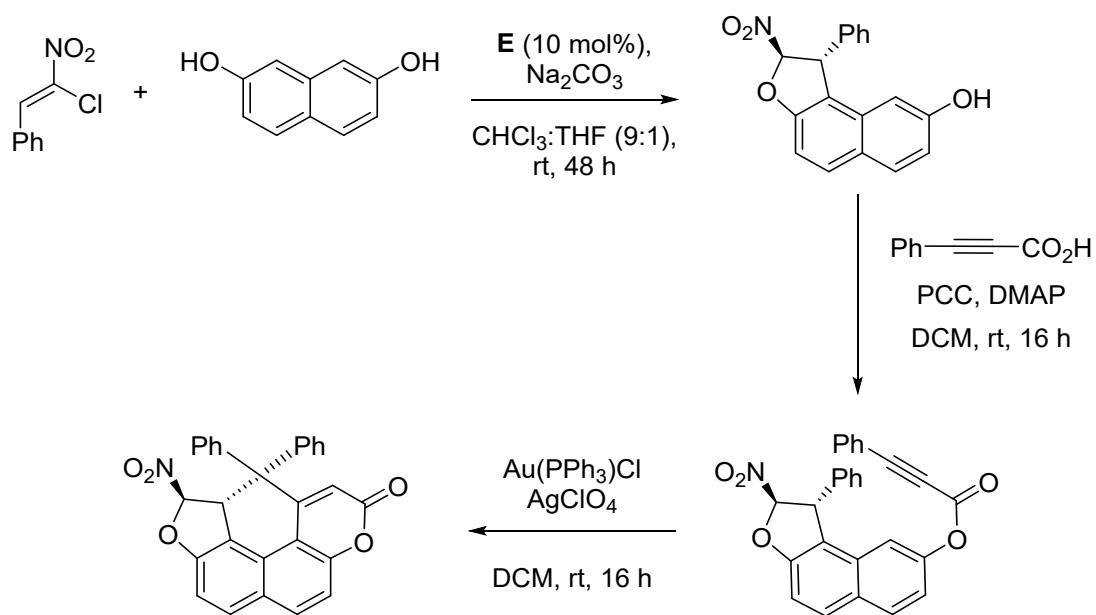
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ma f2** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



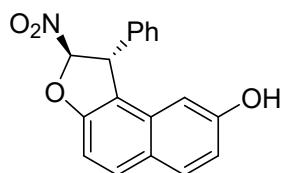
<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ma f2** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



## 6. Synthesis of helically chiral molecules from dihydrofuran substrates



**(1*R*,2*R*)-2-nitro-1-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*]furan-8-ol (**5a**)**

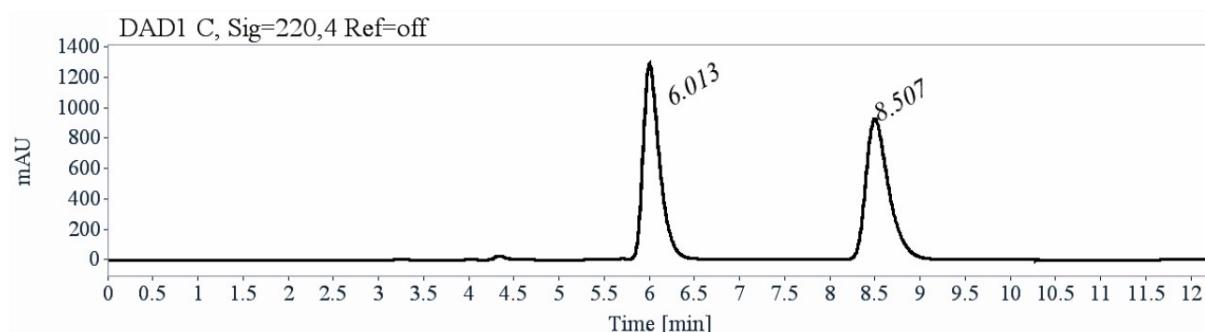


Molecular Weight: 307,3050

In a reaction tube, **2a** (93 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), 2,7-dihydroxynaphthalene (112 mg, 0.7 mmol, 1.4 equiv.), **E** (25 mg, 0.05 mmol, 10 mol%), and  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  (1.0 equiv.) were combined with  $\text{CHCl}_3:\text{THF}$  (9:1, 0.1 M) and the yellow mixture was stirred at room temperature for two days. The dark purple mixture was treated with HCl (1M aq.) and the aqueous phase was extracted thrice with DCM. The combined organic layers were dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The crude was purified by column chromatography ( $\text{SiO}_2$ , liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether 5:95 to 15:85) to afford the desired product as a yellow solid (105 mg, 0.34 mmol, 68% yield).

$R_f = 0.25$  (P.E./ EtOAc 9:1),  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ ,  $c = 1.0$ ) = -7°, **1H NMR** (300 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.83 (dt,  $J = 8.9, 0.8$  Hz, 1H), 7.78 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.39 – 7.31 (m, 3H), 7.28 (dd,  $J = 8.8, 0.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.22 – 7.16 (m, 2H), 6.96 (dd,  $J = 8.9, 2.5$  Hz, 1H), 6.62 (dt,  $J = 2.5, 0.7$  Hz, 1H), 6.07 (d,  $J = 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 5.21 (d,  $J = 1.8$  Hz, 1H), 5.02 (s, 1H). **13C NMR** (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  157.1, 155.0, 137.8, 131.4, 131.3, 131.2, 129.5, 128.6, 127.7, 126.4, 116.9, 116.5, 112.6, 109.4, 105.3, 55.4. **MP** = 127 °C. **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z)**: [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calculated for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_4\text{Na}^+$ , 330.0737 found 330.0729. **HPLC analysis** (Chiralpak IF, Heptane/Ethanol (80/20), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 220 nm) indicated **94% ee**, **t<sub>r1</sub>**: 6.01 min, **t<sub>r2</sub>**: 8.49 min

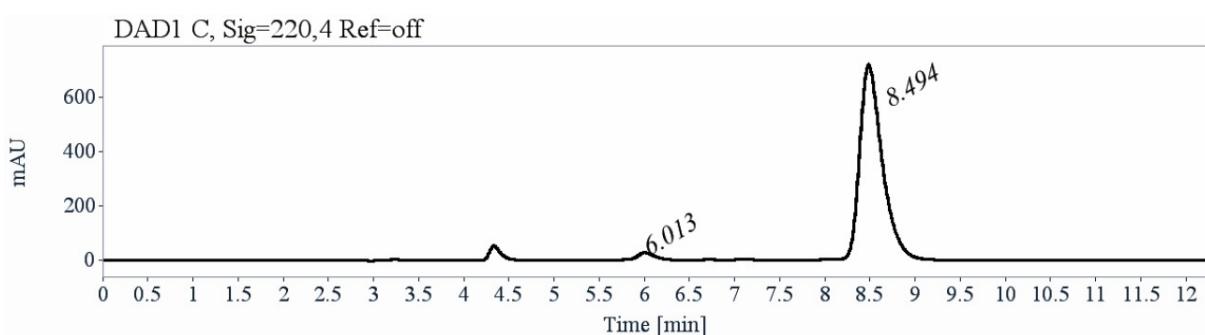
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**5a**



**Signal:** DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
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8.51	16528	49.90	1.88	1.81	6.45
Sum	33121	100.00			

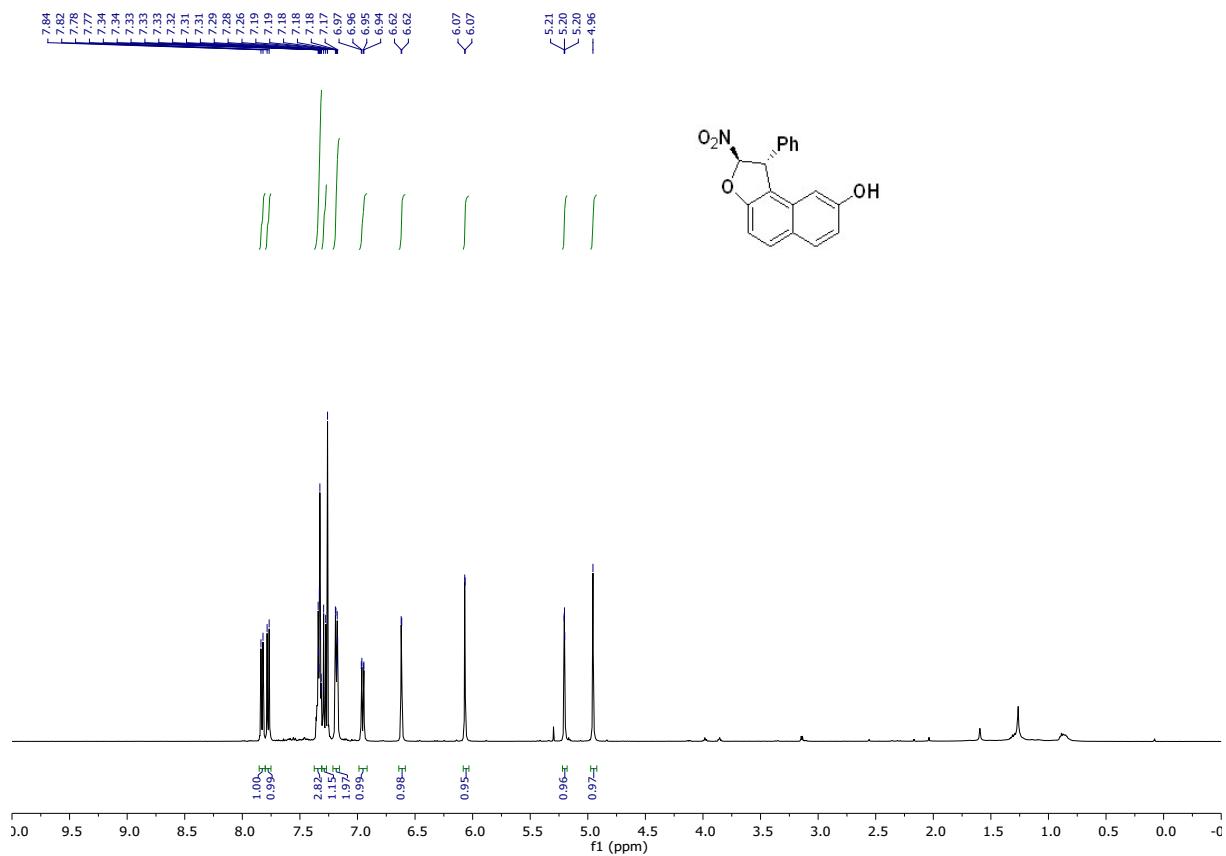
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **5a**



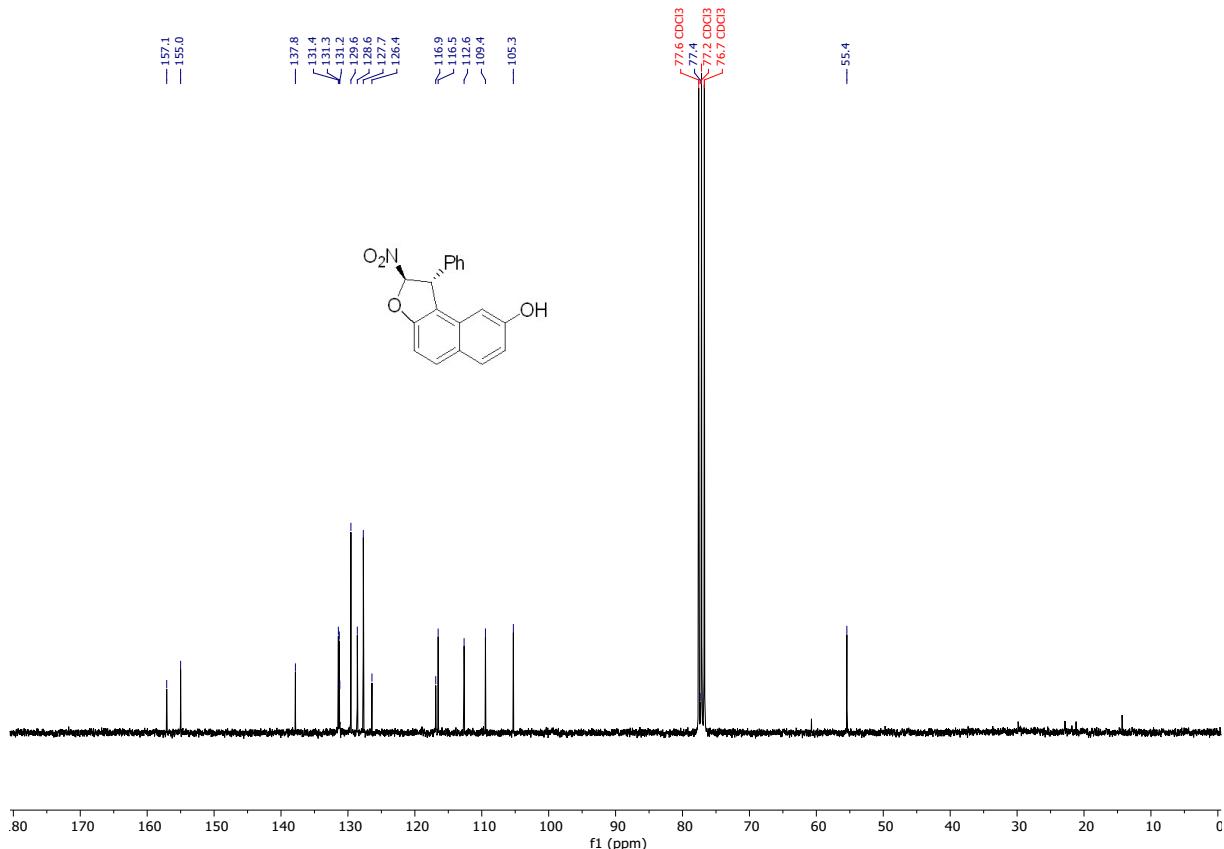
**Signal:** DAD1 C, Sig=220,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
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8.49	12764	96.93	1.88	1.81	6.28
Sum	13168	100.00			

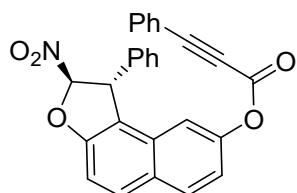
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **5a** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **5a** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



(1*R*,2*R*)-2-nitro-1-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*]furan-8-yl 3-phenylpropiolate (**6**)



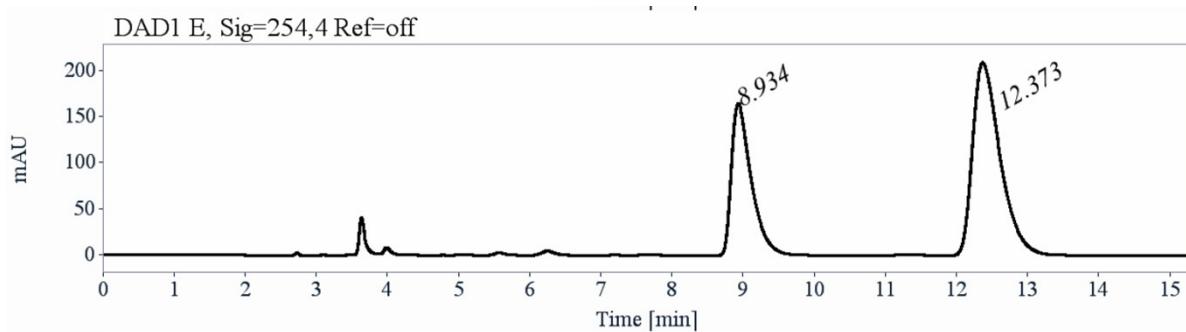
Molecular Weight: 435.4350

To a solution of 3-phenylpropiolic acid (85 mg, 0.58 mmol, 1.18 equiv.), DCC (123 mg, 0.60 mmol, 1.22 equiv.) and DMAP (6 mg, 0.05 mmol, 0.1 equiv.) in DCM (3 mL) was added dropwise a solution of compound **6** (150 mg, 0.49 mmol, 1 equiv.) in DCM (1 mL). The stirring was maintained at room temperature overnight. The reaction mixture was quenched with HCl (1M, aq.) and extracted with DCM. The organic layer was dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to dryness. The crude was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/Petroleum ether 0:1 to 1:19) to afford the desired product as a yellow solid (160 mg, 0.36 mmol, 75% yield).

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.26 (P.E./ EtOAc 9:1), <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.95 (d, J = 3.5 Hz, 1H), 7.92 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (dd, J = 8.3, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 7.53 – 7.27 (m, 7H), 7.23 (dd, J = 8.9, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.21 – 7.16 (m, 3H), 6.11 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.29 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 157.1, 152.1, 149.3, 137.5, 133.3, 131.6, 131.3, 131.0, 130.4, 130.4, 129.6, 129.2, 128.8, 128.7, 127.6, 119.6, 119.2, 118.6, 114.2, 112.6, 112.1, 89.2, 80.2, 55.4. MP = 71 °C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>17</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup>, 542.0152 found

542.0153 HPLC analysis (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (80/20), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated 90% ee,  $t_r$ <sub>1</sub>: 8.93 min,  $t_r$ <sub>2</sub>: 12.37 min

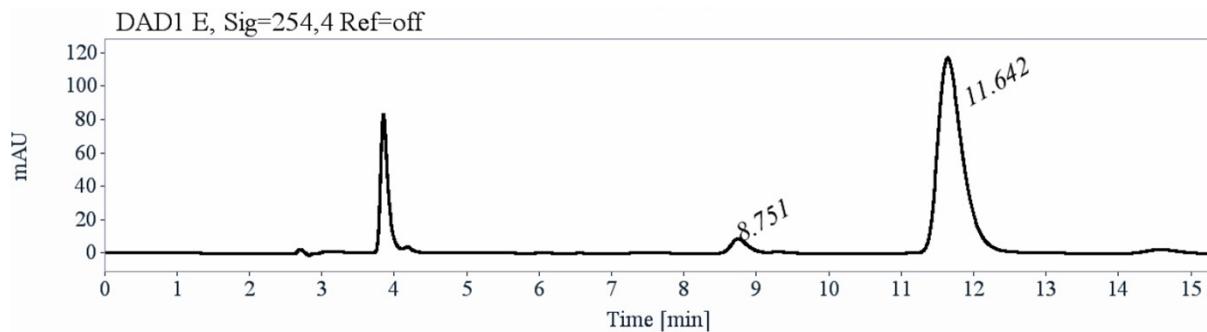
#### Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-6



**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
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12.37	5685	63.77	3.19	1.57	5.77
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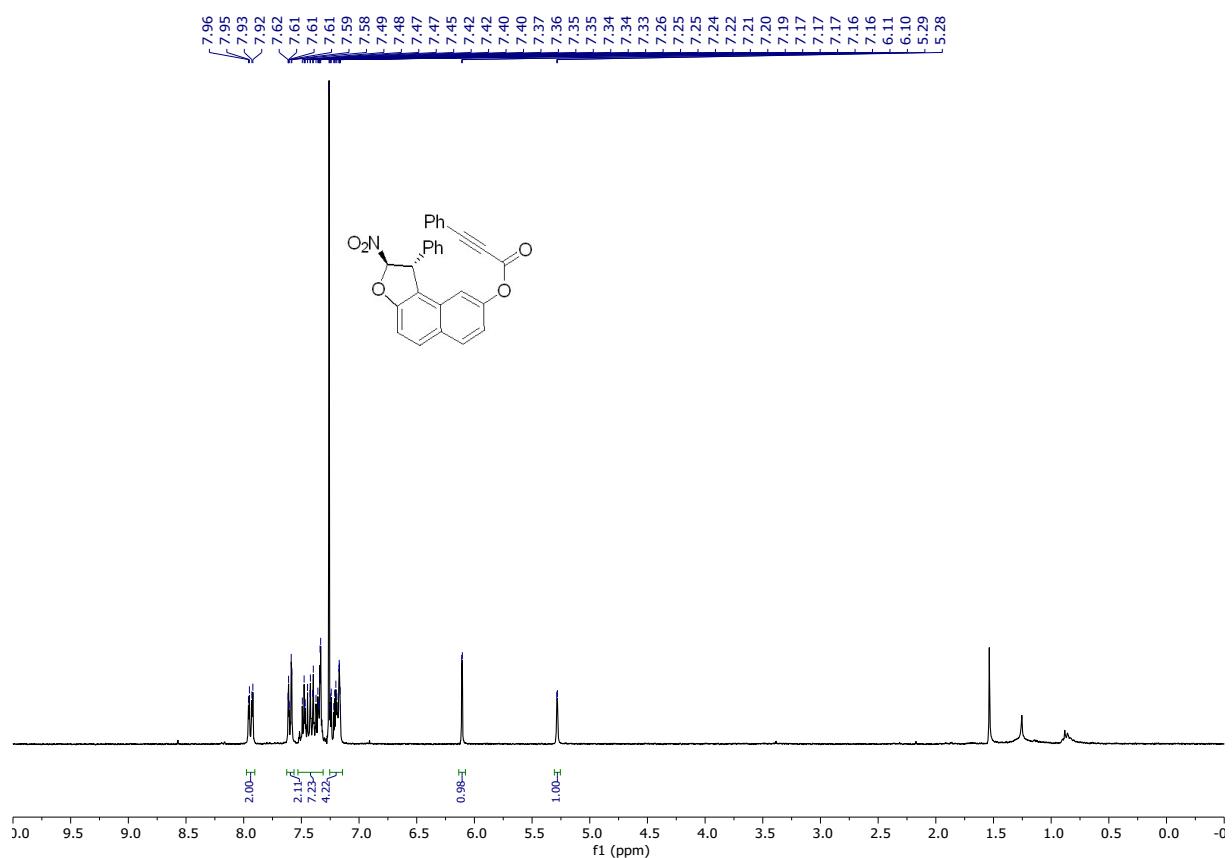
#### Chiral HPLC spectrum of 6



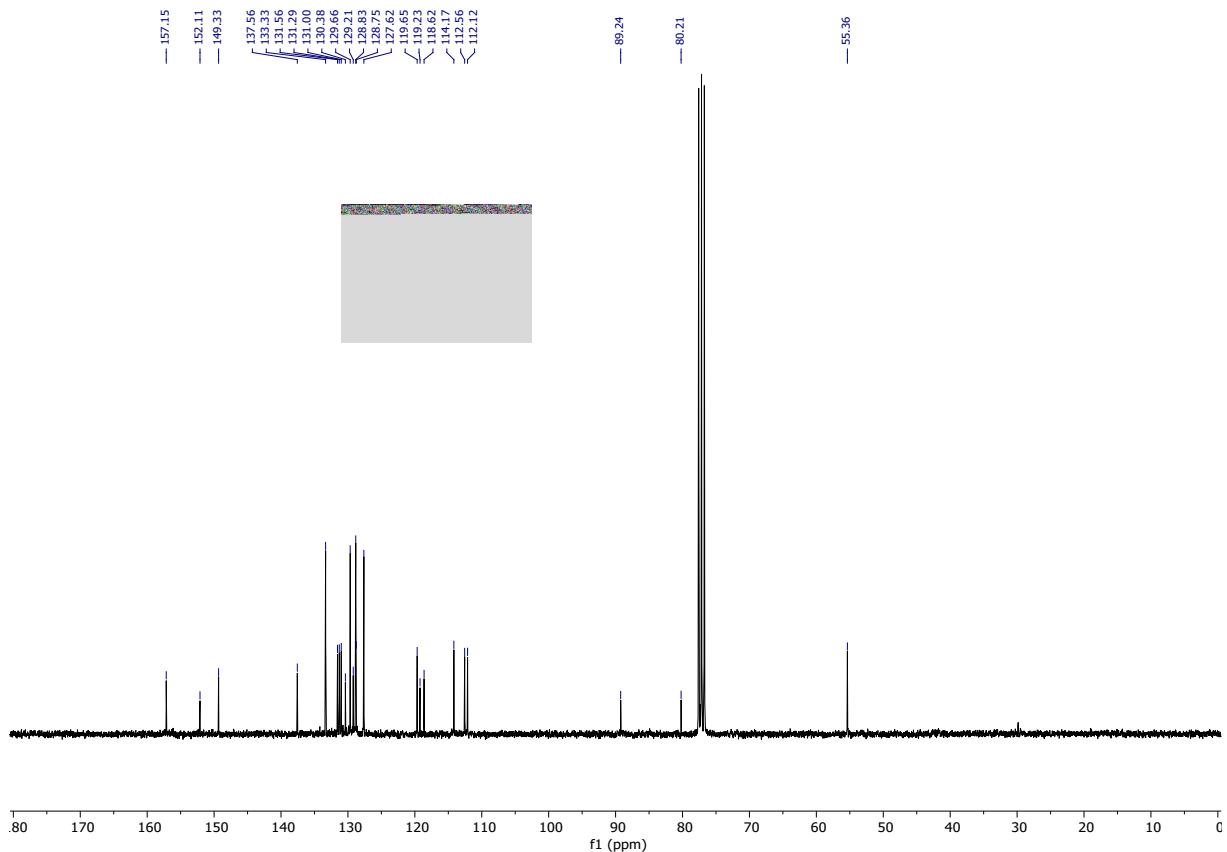
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RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
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11.64	2839	95.06	2.95	1.50	5.52
Sum	2987	100.00			

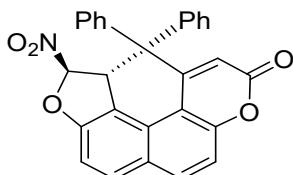
<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **6** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **6** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



**(1*R*,2*R*)-2-nitro-1,11-diphenyl-1,2-dihydro-9*H*-benzofuro[4,5-*f*]chromen-9-one (**4ga**)**

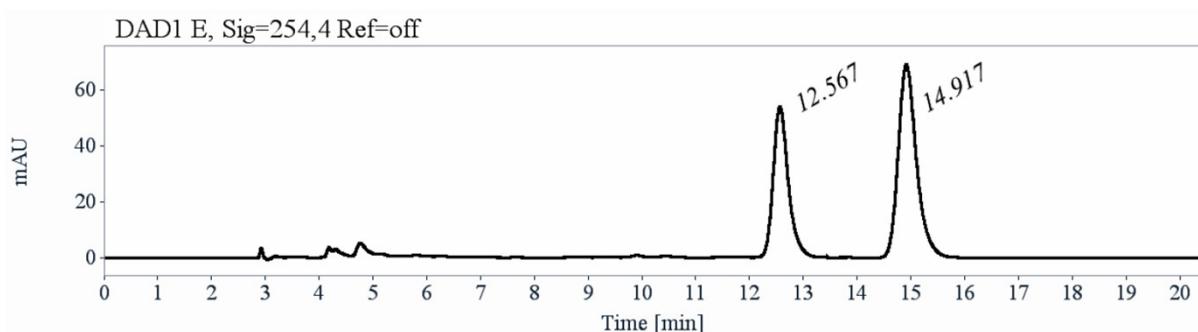


Molecular Weight: 435,4350

Under inert atmosphere, a solution of Au(PPh<sub>3</sub>)Cl (2.5 mg, 0.005 mmol, 5 mol%) and AgClO<sub>4</sub> (1 mg, 0.005 mmol, 5 mol%) in anhydrous DCM (1 mL, 0.1 M) was stirred for 5 min at room temperature. Then, compound **4ga** (43.0 mg, 0.1 mmol) was added to the mixture and the stirring was maintained for 48 h. The reaction mixture was filtered through a celite pad and rinsed with DCM. The filtrate was concentrated *in vacuo* and the crude purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/Petroleum ether 0:1 to 1:4) to afford the desired product as an off-white solid (25 mg, 0.06 mmol, 57% yield)

**R**<sub>f</sub> = 0.37 (P.E./EtOAc 8:2), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 1.0) = -215°, **1H NMR** (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.06 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.74 – 7.65 (m, 2H), 7.57 (tt, J = 7.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.20 – 7.08 (m, 4H), 6.76 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 6.46 – 6.39 (m, 2H), 6.29 (s, 1H), 5.57 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (d, J = 1.0 Hz, 1H). **13C NMR** (75 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 160.3, 158.8, 156.9, 154.6, 138.5, 136.8, 134.9, 133.2, 131.4, 130.1, 129.33, 129.03, 128.5, 128.1, 127.7, 126.8, 126.3, 119.7, 116.1, 114.7, 111.9, 111.8, 111.6, 57.5. **MP** = 216 °C, **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z)**: [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>54</sub>H<sub>34</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>10</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 979.1268, found 979.1274. **HPLC analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (70/30), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated **96% ee**, **t<sub>r,1</sub>**: 12.56 min, **t<sub>r,2</sub>**: 14.91 min

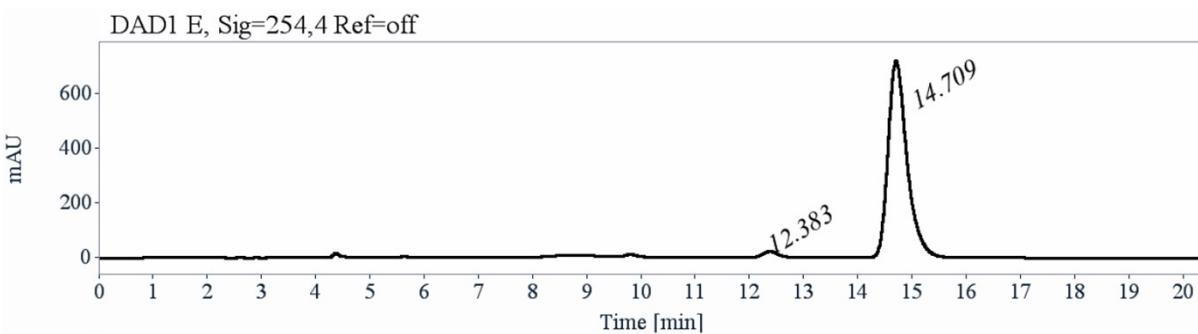
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4ga**



**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
12.57	1063	39.43	3.26		
14.92	1633	60.57	4.06	1.24	4.27
Sum	2696	100.00			

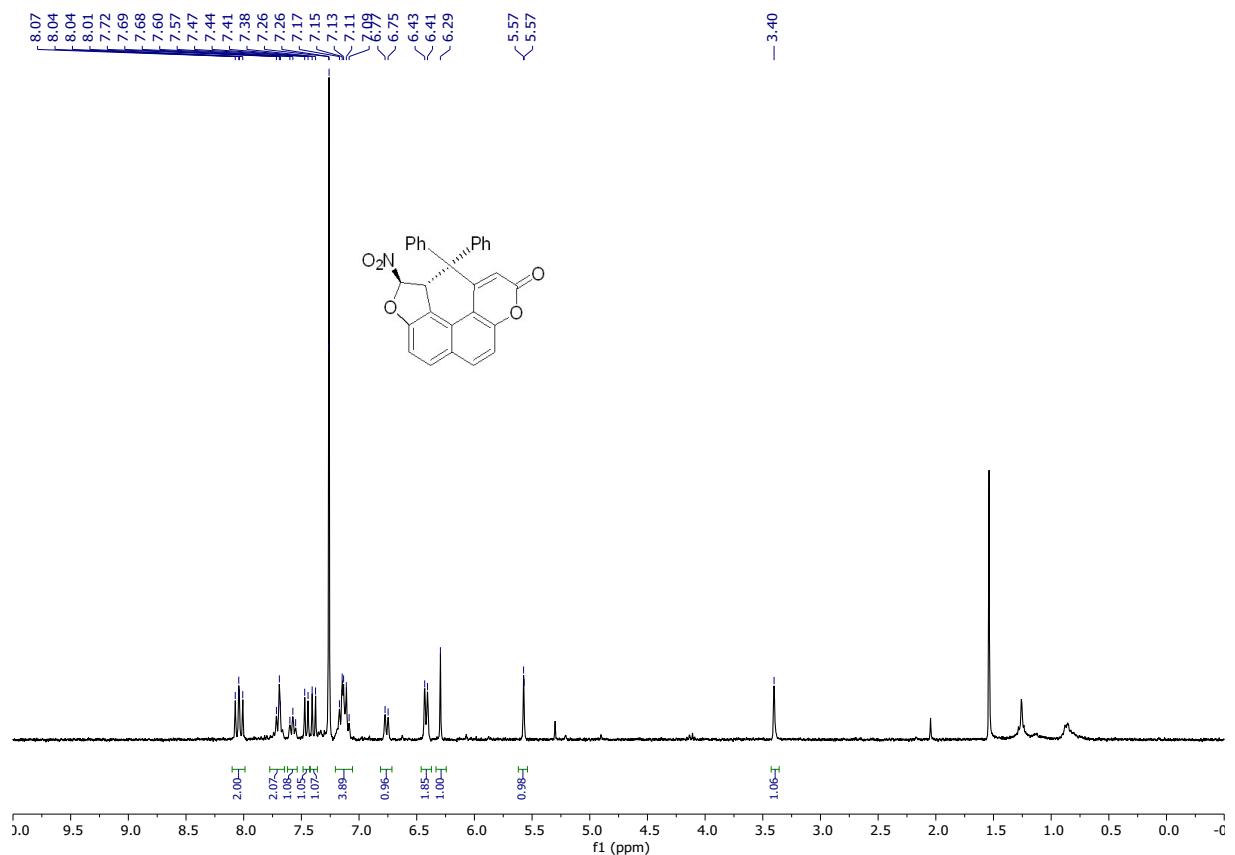
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ga**



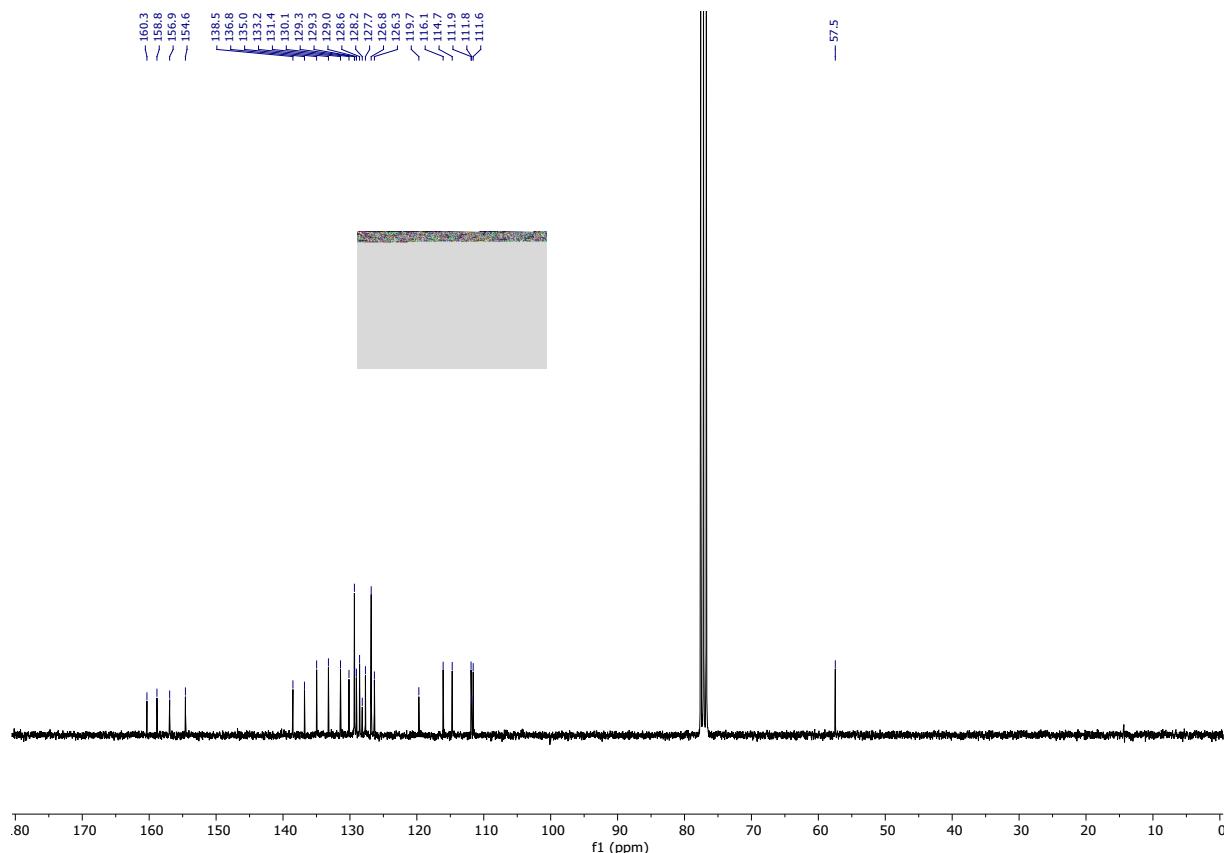
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RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
12.38	486	2.69	3.20		
14.71	17588	97.31	3.99	1.25	4.05
Sum	18074	100.00			

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ga** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>

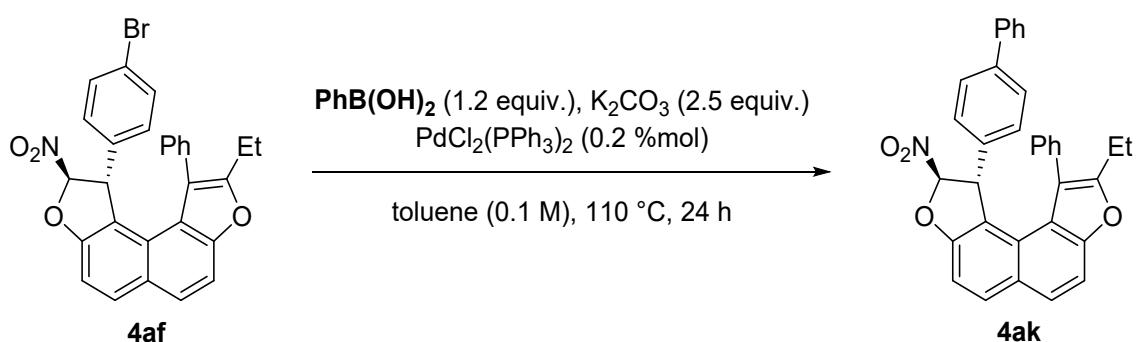


<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ga** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



## 7. Experimental procedures and characterization for post-functionalization

### a) Suzuki-type coupling between **4af** and PhB(OH)<sub>2</sub>



**4ak** was prepared according to the literature known procedure.<sup>18</sup> In a dried tube, **4af** (51 mg, 0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), PhB(OH)<sub>2</sub> (15 mg, 0.12 mmol, 1.2 equiv.), PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> (0.14 mg, 0.2 μmol, 0.2%mol), and K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (35 mg, 0.25 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) were combined with freshly distilled toluene (1 mL). The tube was sealed and stirred at 110 °C for 24 h. Once concentrated, the black residue was purified by column chromatography (SiO<sub>2</sub>, liquid deposit, EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 0:1 to 1:49) to yield a white solid (24 mg, 0.048 mmol, 48%)

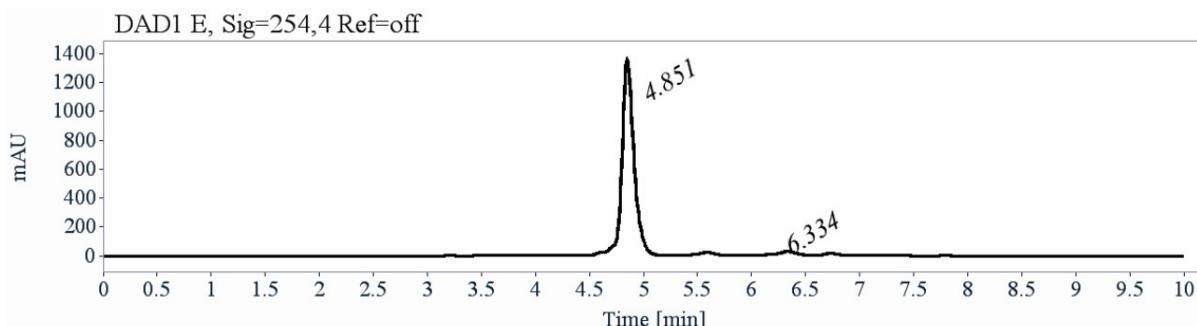
<sup>18</sup>Kołodziejski, M.; Brock, A.J.; Kurpik, G.; Walczak, A.; Li, F.; Clegg, J.K.; Stefankiewicz, A.R. *Inorg. Chem.* **2021**, *60*, 13, 9673-9679

$R_f$  = 0.40 (EtOAc/ Petroleum ether = 1:9),  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) 8.06 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d,  $J$  = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d,  $J$  = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.58 – 7.52 (m, 1H), 7.51 – 7.46 (m, 2H), 7.46 – 7.35 (m, 5H), 7.34 – 7.27 (m, 3H), 7.17 (d,  $J$  = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (d,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (d,  $J$  = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 5.73 (d,  $J$  = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (s, 1H), 2.67 – 2.48 (m, 2H), 1.16 (t,  $J$  = 7.6 Hz, 3H).

$^1\text{H}$  NMR spectroscopic data are in accordance with product **4ak**.

**HPLC analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated **93% ee**,  $t_{r1}$ : 4.85 min,  $t_{r2}$ : 6.33 min

Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ak**

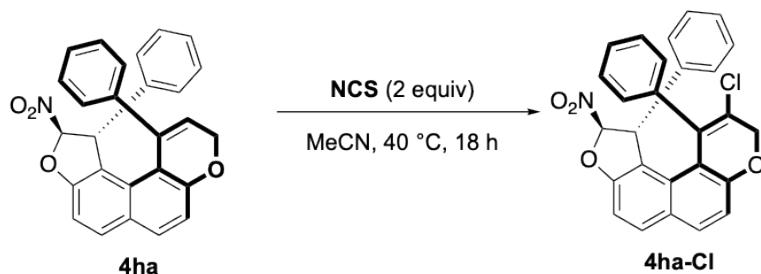


**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
4.85	10519	96.45	0.64		
6.33	387	3.55	1.15	1.78	6.08
Sum	10906	100.00			

**b) Chlorination of compound 4ha**

*(1R,2R)-10-chloro-2-nitro-1,11-diphenyl-1,2-dihydro-9H-benzofuro[4,5-f]chromene (4ha-Cl)*

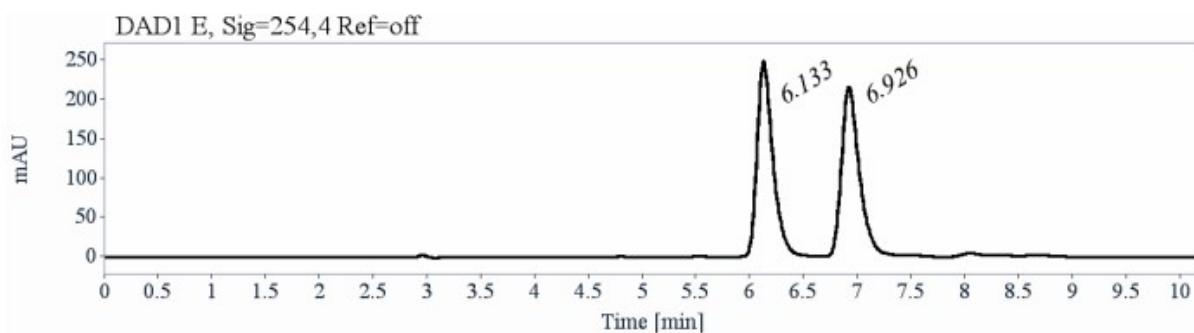


NCS (19 mg, 0.142 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) was added to a solution of **4ha** (30 mg, 0.071 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in MeCN (2.5 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at 40°C for 16 h. After cooling at room temperature, the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The crude product was purified on silica (EtOAc/P.E. = 0:100 to 2:98) to yield an off white solid (27 mg, 0.06 mmol, 84%)

$R_f$  = 0.56 (EtOAc/P.E. = 1:9),  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ ,  $c$  = 1.0) = +330°,  $^1\text{H NMR}$  (400 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  (ppm) 7.87 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (d,  $J$  = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.57 – 7.27 (m, 4H), 7.24 – 7.19 (m, 4H), 7.13 – 6.98 (m, 2H), 6.75 (dd,  $J$  = 6.6, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 5.67 (d,  $J$  = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.66 (d,  $J$  = 12.6 Hz, 1H), 4.17 – 4.10 (m, 1H), 4.04 (d,  $J$  = 12.6 Hz, 1H).  $^{13}\text{C NMR}$  (75 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  157.67, 157.62, 137.9, 135.9, 132.59, 132.56, 131.5, 129.4, 129.1, 128.97, 128.93, 128.3, 128.1, 127.1, 118.4, 116.60, 116.58, 115.35, 111.8, 110.0, 71.5, 56.7. **MP** = 201 °C **HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z)**: [M+Na]<sup>+</sup> calculated for  $C_{27}H_{19}NO_4Na^+$ , found. **HPLC analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-4,

Heptane/Ethanol (90/10), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated **98% ee**,  $t_{r1}$ : 6.13 min,  $t_{r2}$ : 6.92 min

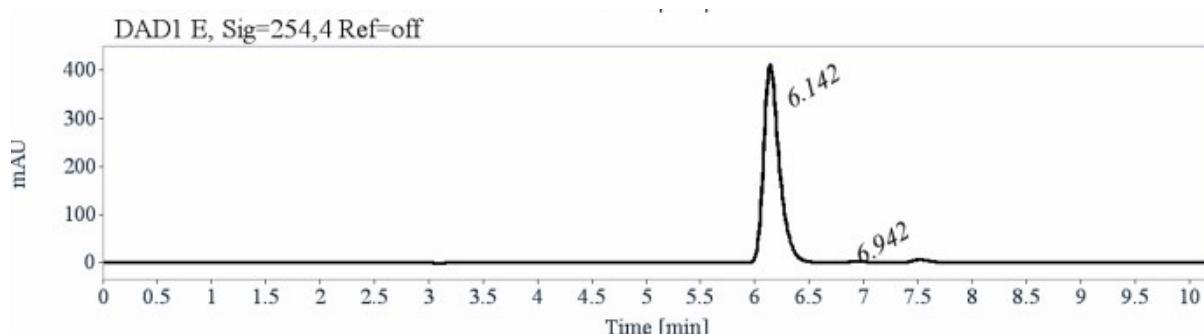
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-**4ha-Cl**



**Signal:** DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
6.13	2547	50.83	1.08		
6.93	2464	49.17	1.35	1.25	2.87
Sum	5011	100.00			

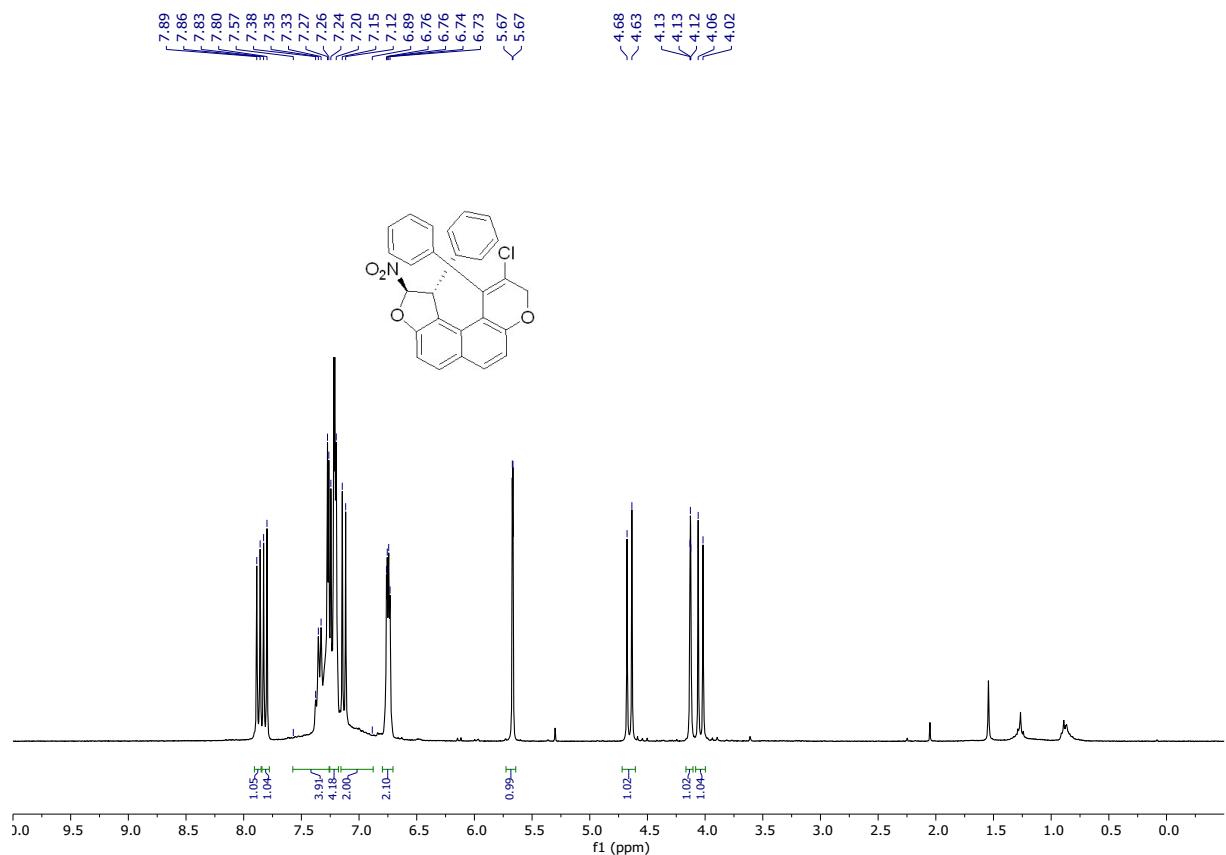
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **4ha-Cl**



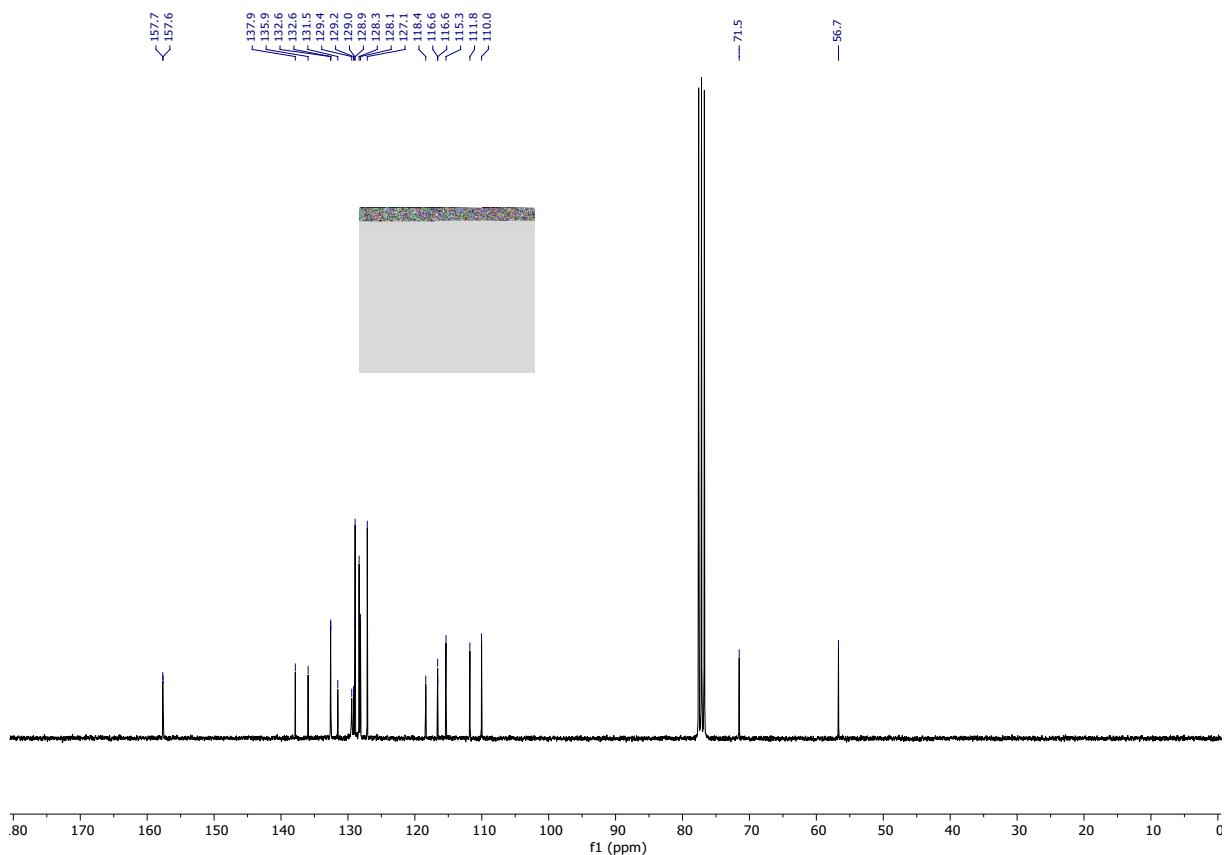
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RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
6.14	4147	99.10	1.08		
6.94	37	0.90	1.35	1.25	2.94
Sum	4185	100.00			

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **4ha-Cl** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>

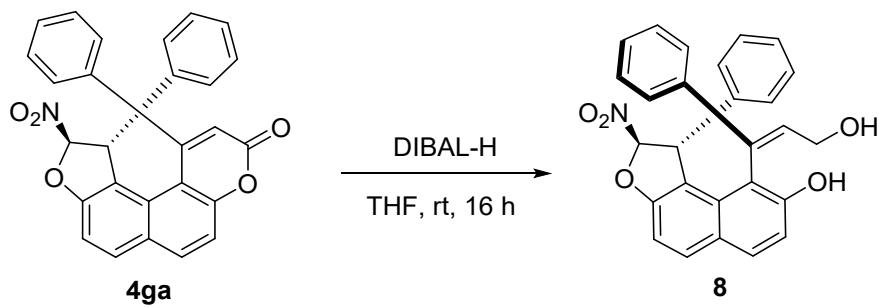


<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **4ha-Cl** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



c) Reduction of chromene **4ga**

(*1R,2R*)-9-((Z)-3-hydroxy-1-phenylprop-1-en-1-yl)-2-nitro-1-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphtho[2,1-*b*]furan-8-ol (**8**)

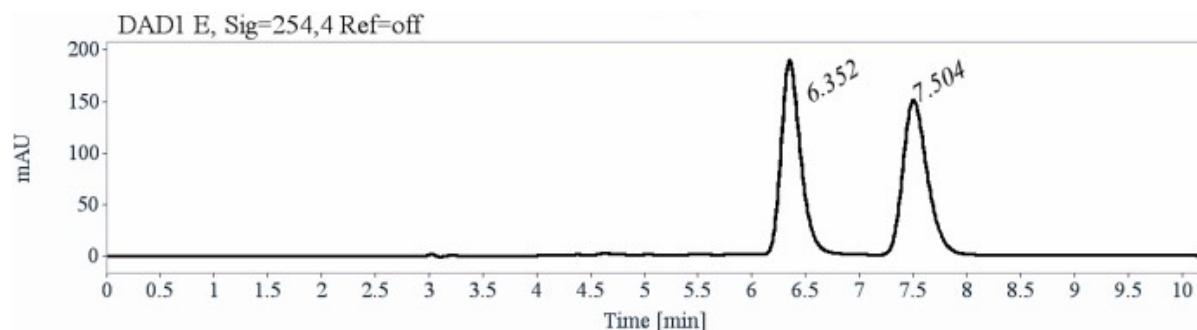


Under inert atmosphere, to a mixture of **4ga** (30 mg, 0.07 mmol) in THF (1.5 mL) was added DIBAL-H (150  $\mu$ L, 0.15 mmol, 1M solution in toluene) dropwise. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 16h. An aqueous saturated solution of NH<sub>4</sub>Cl was added to quench the reaction and the organic layer was separated, dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated to dryness. Purification of the crude mixture by silica gel column chromatography (eluent: 100% DCM) afforded the desired compound as a pale yellow solid (16 mg, 0.37 mmol, 54% yield).

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.16 (DCM), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 0.5) = -4.1°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.93 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.38 – 7.27 (m, 7H), 7.19 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.17 – 7.12 (m, 2H), 6.93 – 6.83 (m, 2H), 6.43 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 5.87 (s, 1H), 4.87 (s, 1H), 3.50 (dd, J = 13.4, 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.89 (dd, J = 13.5, 6.6 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 158.4, 152.9, 140.4, 138.4, 134.5, 133.0, 132.8, 131.7, 130.3,

129.5, 129.4, 129.1, 128.3, 127.5, 127.0, 125.4, 116.3, 115.8, 114.7, 111.5, 109.7, 60.5, 55.9. **MP** = 102.5°C. **HRMS-ESI<sup>-</sup> (m/z)**: [M]<sup>-</sup> calculated for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NO<sub>5</sub><sup>-</sup> 438.1347, found 438.1347. **HPLC analysis** (Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (80/20), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated **94% ee**, **t<sub>1</sub>**: 6.35 min, **t<sub>2</sub>**: 7.50 min

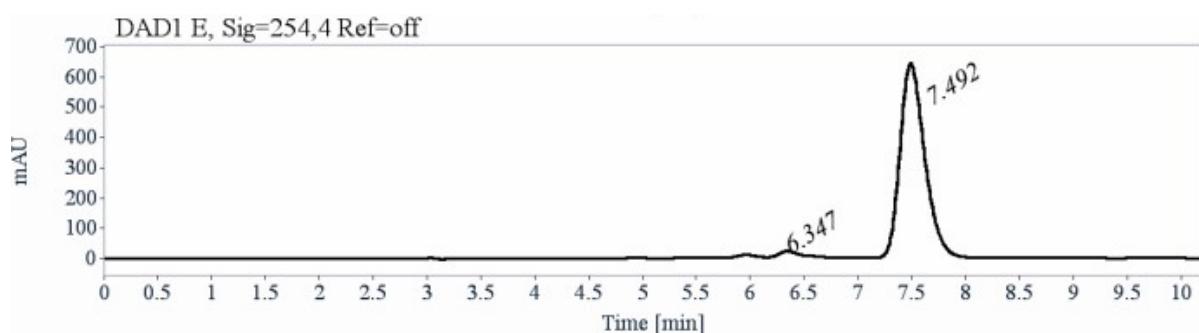
Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-8



Signal: DAD1 E, Sig=254,4 Ref=off

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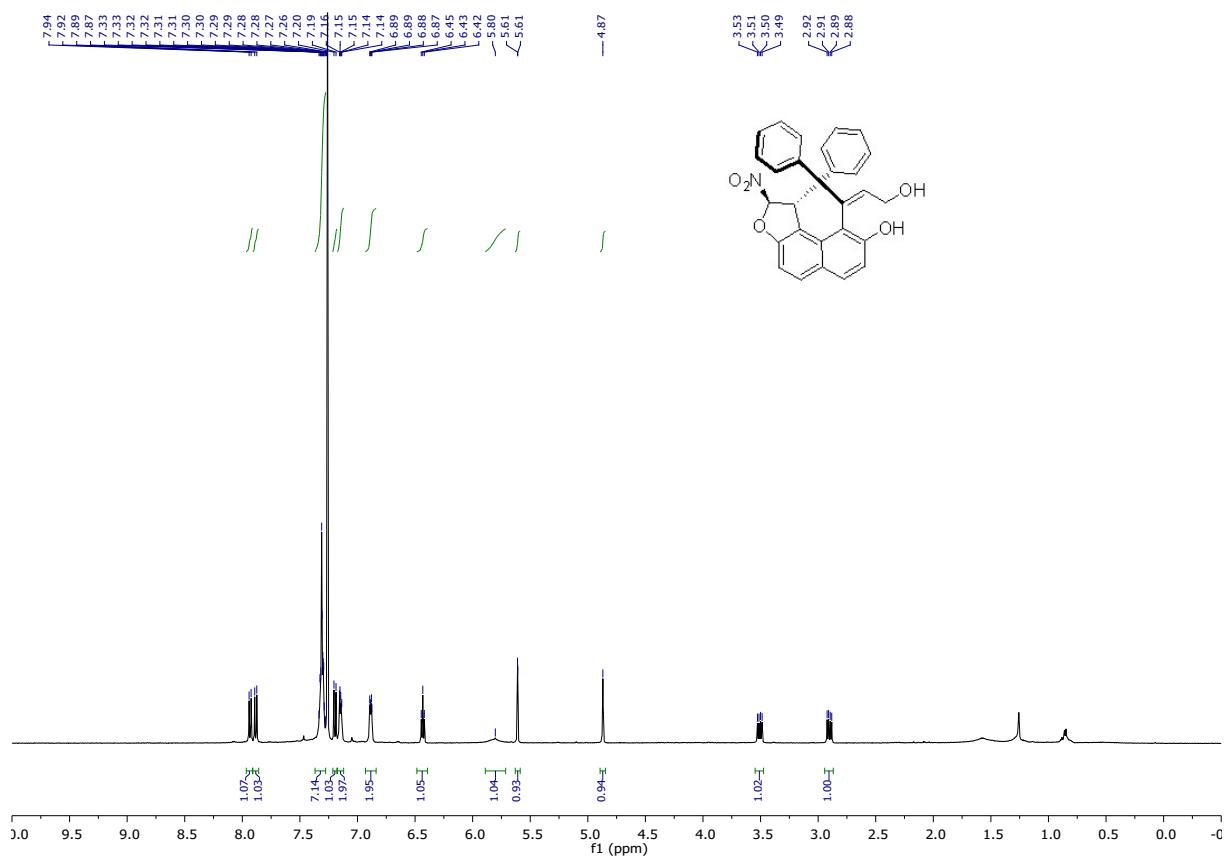
Chiral HPLC spectrum of **8**



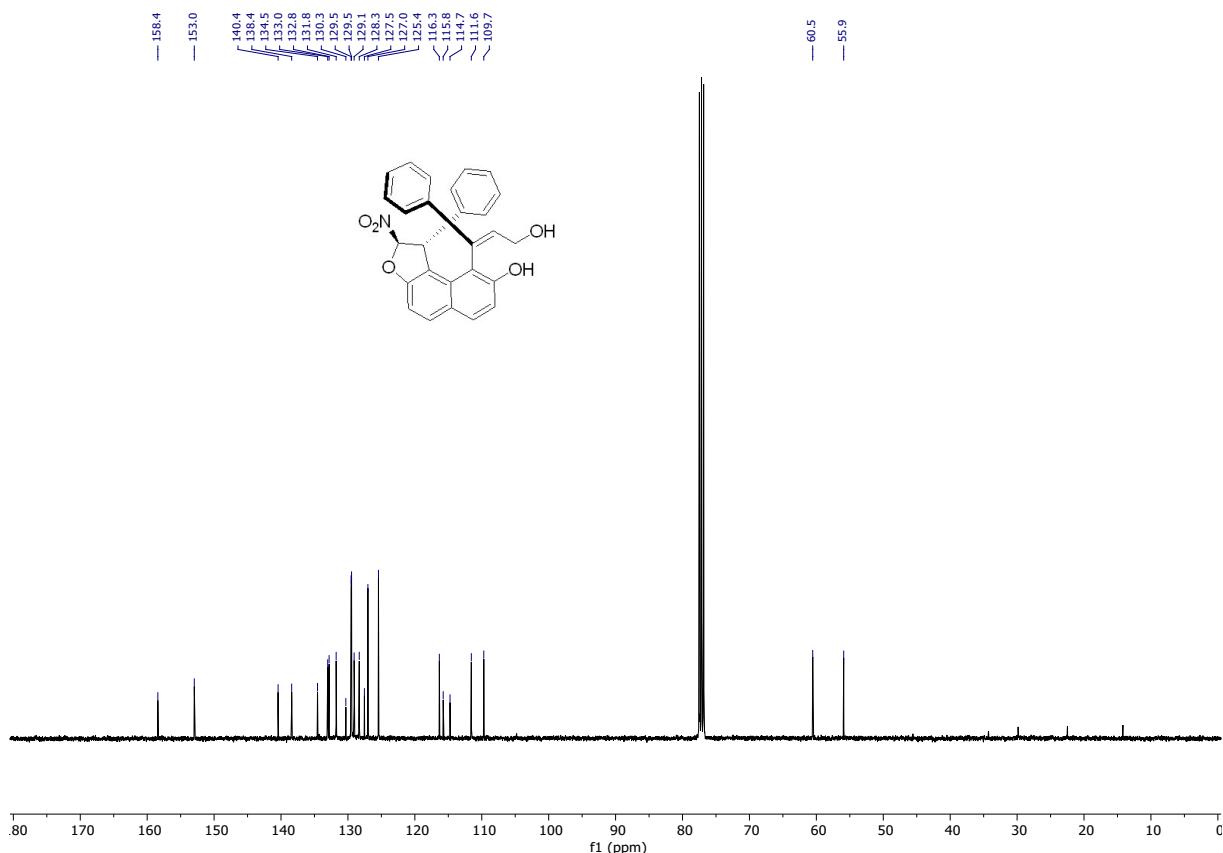
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<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **8** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>

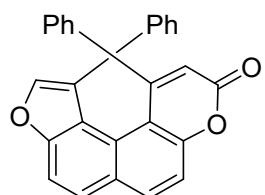


<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **8** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



*d) Elimination reaction*

1,11-diphenyl-9H-benzofuro[4,5-f]chromen-9-one (7)



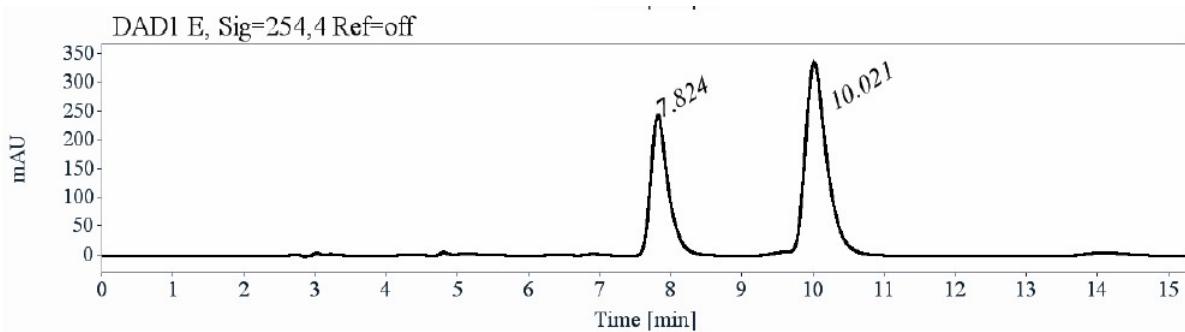
Molecular Weight: 388,4220

In a microwave G4 tube, a solution of **4ga** (21 mg, 0.05 mmol) and DBU (75  $\mu$ L, 0.50 mmol) in dry THF (500  $\mu$ L) was heated at 110°C for 45 min. After cooling at room temperature, the solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The crude mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (gradient from 100% pentane to 95:5 pentane/EtOAc) to afford the desired compound as a pale-yellow solid (5.5 mg, 0.015 mmol, 30% yield)

R<sub>f</sub> = 0.42 (P.E./EtOAc 8:2), [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (CHCl<sub>3</sub>, c = 0.25) = -314°, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 8.14 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (s, 1H), 7.35 – 7.28 (m, 1H), 7.25 – 7.14 (m, 3H), 6.97 – 6.82 (m, 4H), 6.31 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 6.01 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (126 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 161.1, 156.8, 155.6, 142.3, 136.4, 134.1, 132.6, 129.4, 129.1, 128.5, 128.5, 127.6, 127.3, 126.9, 126.3, 125.9, 125.4, 124.9, 121.2, 115.8, 113.6, 113.2, 112.7, 109.3, 90.9. MP decomposition >220°C, HRMS-ESI<sup>+</sup> (m/z): [M+Ag]<sup>+</sup> calculated for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>3</sub>Ag<sup>+</sup> 495.0145, found 495.0144. HPLC analysis

(Lux-Cellulose-4, Heptane/Ethanol (80/20), Flow: 1 mL/min, Temp: 25 °C, UV detection: 254 nm) indicated **78% ee**, **t<sub>r,1</sub>**: 7.50 min, **t<sub>r,2</sub>**: 9.6 min

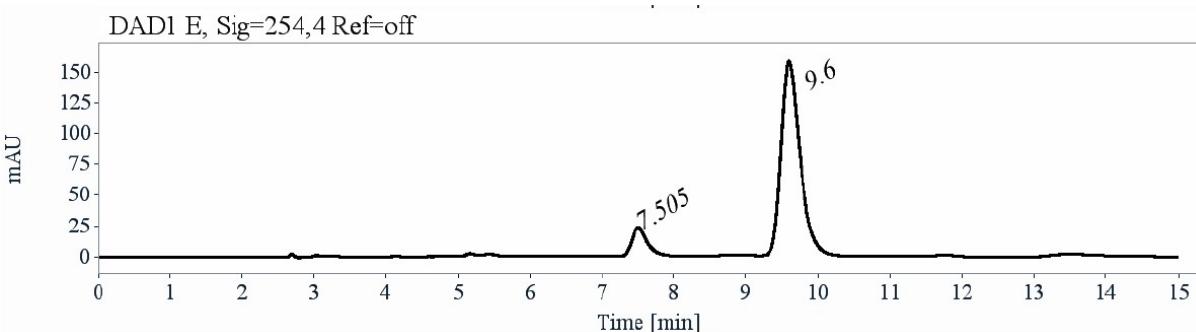
#### Chiral HPLC spectrum of *rac*-7



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RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
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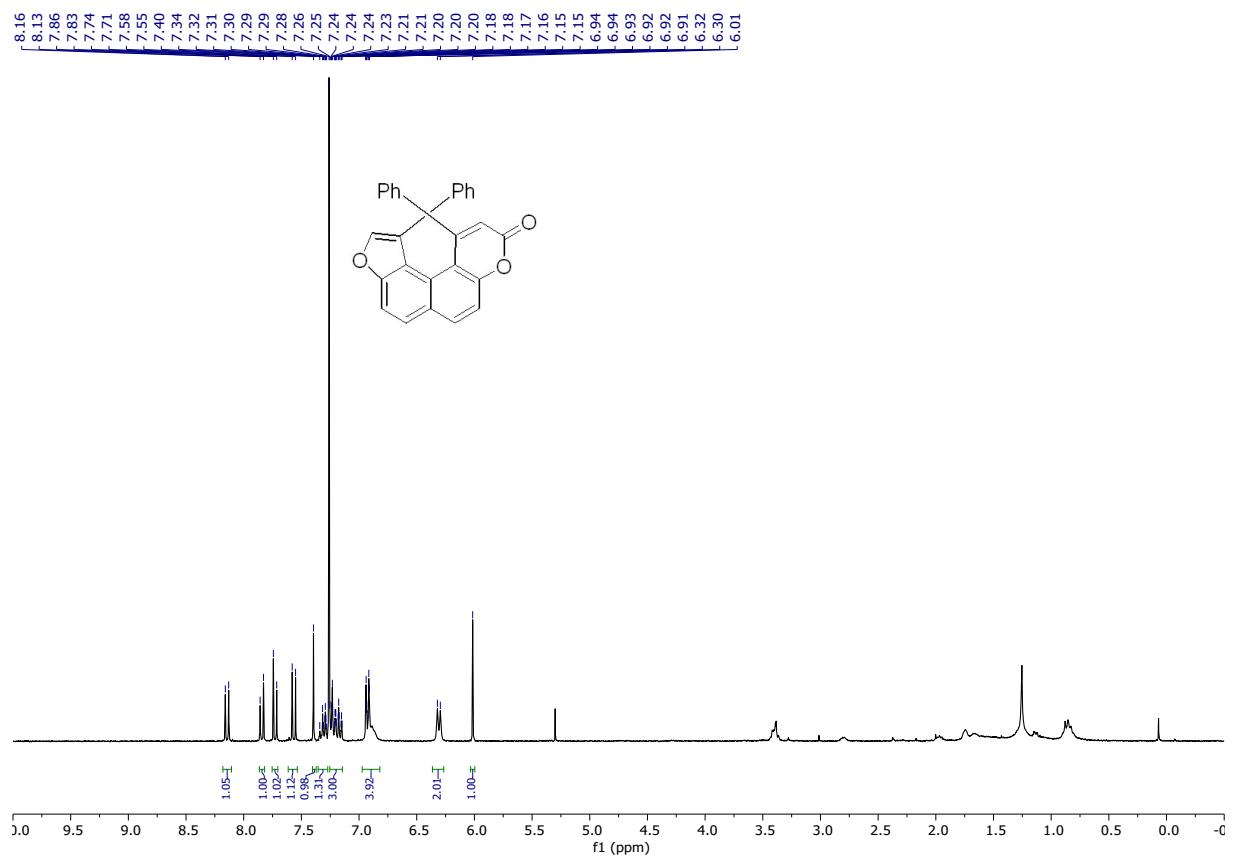
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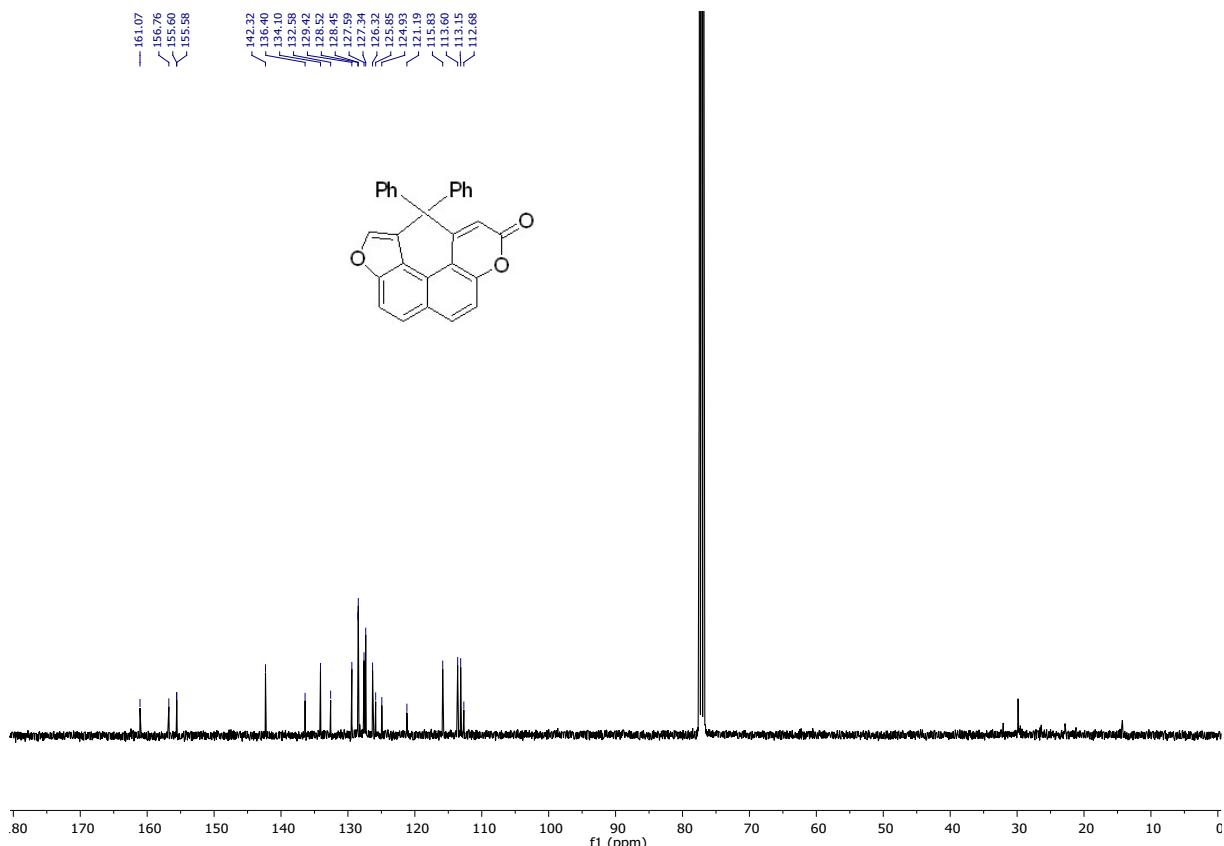
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RT [min]	Area	Area%	Capacity Factor	Enantioselectivity	Resolution (USP)
7.51	360	10.96	1.54		
9.60	2925	89.04	2.25	1.46	4.92
Sum	3285	100.00			

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **7** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



<sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of **7** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>



## 8. Computational studies

All the structures were optimized at the PBE0/def2-SVP level<sup>19,20</sup> with Grimme correction for the dispersion “GD3” as implemented in Gaussian 16.<sup>21,22</sup>

### a) Compound 1

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<sup>20</sup> F. Weigend, R. Ahlrichs, *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.*, **2005**, *7*, 3297–3305.

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b) **Compound 3ma**

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C	6.435637	7.124391	5.494575
C	5.118196	7.051316	5.048669
C	4.697915	5.686341	5.434172
C	3.719024	4.678778	5.085979
C	3.033207	4.621293	3.857516
C	7.597657	8.013176	5.225700
H	7.849662	8.664887	6.079503
H	8.473449	7.370853	5.044427
C	4.440137	8.319241	4.635518
C	5.075785	9.516523	5.061539
H	5.900576	9.441469	5.763426
C	4.687044	10.794789	4.692842
H	5.251342	11.653690	5.063074
C	3.565320	10.968943	3.888768

H	3.236697	11.960612	3.570846
C	2.825170	9.845337	3.559921
H	1.889085	9.937241	3.006657
C	3.221832	8.561154	3.955009
H	7.429809	8.641751	4.343371
H	0.931845	2.871633	2.298368
Cl	2.021913	7.355720	3.644633
H	3.247646	5.339680	3.073059

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Min2 E[hartree] = -1340.609328 G[hartree] = -1340.385373

O	1.148804	4.845997	2.661842
O	6.713263	6.087166	6.904829
C	2.020040	4.386837	3.585959
C	1.979840	3.048832	4.042127
H	1.225016	2.363291	3.643787
C	2.890964	2.612679	4.976147
H	2.860280	1.574641	5.317981
C	3.878834	3.476125	5.507107
C	4.833931	3.002090	6.456612
H	4.775954	1.956770	6.770314
C	5.814785	3.817265	6.965997
H	6.558374	3.465888	7.682580
C	5.822075	5.148586	6.517441
C	6.393614	7.239865	6.264026
C	5.299202	7.067550	5.458759
C	4.910181	5.683865	5.611875
C	3.903177	4.836714	5.052110
C	2.967423	5.261688	4.085220
C	7.247322	8.415345	6.535451
H	6.791556	9.317171	6.107247
H	7.381617	8.559273	7.618437
C	4.651388	8.123946	4.661295
C	3.351574	8.546792	4.981361
H	2.848331	8.068112	5.824800
C	2.706469	9.540078	4.252931
H	1.693893	9.845105	4.525910
C	3.358158	10.143668	3.177411
H	2.862088	10.925074	2.597009
C	4.648015	9.749421	2.837322
H	5.174049	10.205621	1.997042
C	5.283514	8.747539	3.572808
H	8.244776	8.289818	6.083622
H	0.560306	4.132372	2.395507
Cl	6.883736	8.272235	3.097055
H	2.977873	6.283394	3.707259

c) **Compound 3n**

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Min1 E[hartree] = -956.365701 G[hartree] = -956.126152  
O 0.790380 4.922669 3.439940  
O 7.077907 5.883366 6.621511  
H 2.804245 6.288719 4.193621  
H 0.142210 4.232104 3.268207  
C 1.849369 4.391142 4.088217  
C 1.909107 3.015072 4.405819  
H 1.084854 2.355033 4.117123  
C 2.995796 2.515051 5.085524  
H 3.031351 1.452880 5.342159  
C 4.074070 3.345297 5.473328  
C 5.171539 2.814268 6.217059  
H 5.162982 1.749044 6.461548  
C 6.208740 3.606637 6.639579  
H 7.044483 3.221310 7.225188  
C 6.151123 4.963998 6.278668  
C 6.676273 7.057843 6.088835  
C 5.508583 6.939375 5.391668  
C 5.134006 5.545552 5.523093  
C 4.021487 4.736022 5.122478  
C 2.889047 5.231892 4.442388  
C 4.858848 8.016808 4.624504  
C 4.553012 7.838359 3.272145  
H 4.807373 6.883115 2.806467  
C 3.935858 8.837405 2.521346  
H 3.705320 8.668207 1.467617  
C 3.620173 10.047044 3.131035  
H 3.133267 10.842049 2.560820  
C 3.925711 10.261618 4.474945  
H 3.674035 11.217919 4.933958  
C 4.549731 9.258321 5.224755  
O 4.888176 9.398727 6.523547  
C 4.552084 10.578738 7.196483  
H 3.461482 10.754577 7.200812  
H 4.894316 10.456390 8.232237  
H 5.051703 11.461772 6.758809  
H 7.315830 7.916467 6.273492

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TS1 E[hartree] = -956.346185 G[hartree] = -956.104921  
O 3.516507 3.682836 1.581339  
O 3.851151 6.239414 8.243103  
H 3.276775 5.453261 3.294699  
H 3.620262 2.854996 1.101406  
C 3.867460 3.499351 2.873474  
C 4.339661 2.261435 3.351148  
H 4.467419 1.415658 2.668760

C	4.585687	2.126815	4.696363
H	4.897088	1.157335	5.093945
C	4.423354	3.199565	5.604606
C	4.562150	2.937912	6.998157
H	4.829725	1.927583	7.316467
C	4.317739	3.916748	7.917678
H	4.368866	3.754928	8.995075
C	4.031853	5.196690	7.415451
C	3.749852	7.331732	7.474057
C	3.853243	7.064349	6.129568
C	3.978150	5.586924	6.071418
C	4.054435	4.503651	5.107001
C	3.730050	4.573950	3.733960
C	3.952584	8.155743	5.128329
C	3.836303	7.932828	3.751825
H	3.655024	6.925733	3.412102
C	3.956112	8.925517	2.783480
H	3.849978	8.664600	1.728567
C	4.211927	10.230179	3.176305
H	4.307849	11.033644	2.442306
C	4.352030	10.510787	4.532471
H	4.559249	11.534464	4.842428
C	4.230691	9.507907	5.499292
O	4.382765	9.793419	6.812346
C	4.785742	11.071769	7.216398
H	4.031853	11.840771	6.971852
H	4.904170	11.029359	8.307203
H	5.750619	11.360519	6.764071
H	3.619022	8.265829	8.001548

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TS2	E[hartree]	= -956.337265	G[hartree]	= -956.09495
O	3.325738	3.209022	1.730128	
O	3.702928	6.274620	8.113845	
H	3.102936	5.133908	3.376819	
H	3.447469	2.351478	1.310148	
C	3.755408	3.145439	3.015874	
C	4.338449	1.979128	3.549358	
H	4.475719	1.091542	2.923889	
C	4.677441	1.959474	4.882646	
H	5.064823	1.039917	5.329198	
C	4.506211	3.090217	5.715659	
C	4.697023	2.953961	7.121536	
H	5.041117	1.994641	7.515486	
C	4.381485	3.981576	7.963856	
H	4.442077	3.906870	9.050364	
C	4.000610	5.196613	7.367698	
C	3.532327	7.289521	7.259580	
C	3.730934	6.953335	5.939165	

C	3.945742	5.486523	5.998632
C	4.043100	4.324261	5.134144
C	3.603129	4.273305	3.798934
C	3.863714	8.091794	4.967885
C	3.990750	9.386497	5.518392
H	4.044587	9.500314	6.598890
C	4.095075	10.551596	4.770107
H	4.185058	11.513400	5.279184
C	4.114847	10.470920	3.383509
H	4.203100	11.366982	2.764915
C	4.048860	9.219357	2.788131
H	4.088260	9.143623	1.702278
C	3.936975	8.047848	3.552030
O	3.909485	6.846609	2.956344
C	4.107039	6.718780	1.573825
H	5.092421	7.111330	1.268559
H	4.058792	5.643259	1.355281
H	3.319217	7.232035	0.995113
H	3.275409	8.231224	7.731894

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Min2 E[hartree] = -956.365707 G[hartree] = -956.126138

O	1.032924	4.823233	3.046424
O	7.131166	5.825060	6.565745
H	3.039241	6.180326	3.836052
H	0.380983	4.137529	2.869567
C	1.975079	4.339362	3.884545
C	1.914624	3.018248	4.383568
H	1.083911	2.366389	4.094805
C	2.904780	2.555081	5.219022
H	2.861954	1.527905	5.591058
C	3.991349	3.374527	5.606618
C	5.031493	2.859803	6.438920
H	4.955174	1.824525	6.780864
C	6.115506	3.621558	6.795019
H	6.928145	3.237958	7.413366
C	6.137033	4.945208	6.322268
C	6.787584	6.979199	5.953895
C	5.583584	6.890481	5.316636
C	5.141686	5.528396	5.539452
C	4.032145	4.724234	5.120237
C	3.016862	5.172978	4.249218
C	4.895485	7.999805	4.632872
C	3.587791	8.346700	4.984766
H	3.095952	7.773852	5.774696
C	2.909967	9.388507	4.353945
H	1.887380	9.634439	4.647124
C	3.552420	10.106781	3.351010
H	3.037458	10.925188	2.841811

C	4.862284	9.794864	2.987053
H	5.350248	10.372079	2.201400
C	5.541804	8.751489	3.625678
O	6.812973	8.402115	3.337308
C	7.488909	9.063045	2.305560
H	7.616206	10.140043	2.517224
H	8.480376	8.597667	2.232842
H	6.971649	8.951231	1.335872
H	7.488381	7.803999	6.048565

d) **Compound 4na**

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Min1	E[hartree]	= -1468.421999	G[hartree]	= -1468.071228
O	1.391377	4.363848	2.602794	
O	6.897943	6.059399	6.747747	
O	-0.127597	5.966134	3.959709	
O	0.573131	7.710172	2.906113	
N	0.570885	6.525749	3.157701	
C	2.996100	6.058408	2.989795	
H	2.933279	7.054928	3.435518	
C	1.618317	5.705502	2.392462	
H	1.478774	5.979380	1.340026	
C	2.196392	3.978153	3.641648	
C	2.117887	2.712579	4.227741	
H	1.357757	1.997403	3.912427	
C	3.062987	2.423682	5.186697	
H	3.071058	1.436981	5.656707	
C	4.046816	3.363372	5.589813	
C	5.038932	2.959354	6.533502	
H	4.991612	1.941427	6.927690	
C	6.045586	3.801082	6.925092	
H	6.827508	3.504656	7.625354	
C	6.012228	5.104018	6.403980	
C	6.500411	7.190823	6.131994	
C	5.374928	7.011369	5.379332	
C	5.045956	5.602248	5.523963	
C	4.058661	4.689479	5.022752	
C	3.120155	4.942193	3.995565	
C	4.084072	6.095193	1.934850	
C	4.895330	4.991922	1.660644	
H	4.772037	4.073682	2.239966	
C	5.867172	5.062667	0.662449	
H	6.498971	4.194167	0.460573	
C	6.035360	6.234969	-0.071800	
H	6.799132	6.289725	-0.851490	
C	5.227022	7.340490	0.196907	
H	5.357552	8.266885	-0.368030	
C	4.259003	7.270645	1.194682	

H	3.637650	8.142614	1.418559
C	4.711481	8.157387	4.732418
C	5.421540	8.997278	3.872208
H	6.444573	8.720136	3.607773
C	4.844028	10.149083	3.336658
H	5.417290	10.785715	2.659640
C	3.529202	10.464003	3.661970
H	3.056177	11.355992	3.244009
C	2.792728	9.643648	4.518514
H	1.757788	9.895012	4.748294
C	3.377263	8.495191	5.060231
O	2.737615	7.635730	5.875135
C	1.420969	7.914587	6.283458
H	0.725310	7.964912	5.429183
H	1.119603	7.084712	6.934042
H	1.368093	8.859700	6.851594
H	7.077718	8.087900	6.342951

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TS      E[hartree] = -1468.388213      G[hartree] = -1468.035914

O	2.809454	3.265558	1.976204
O	4.086420	7.119567	7.760753
O	0.205866	3.872722	2.200619
O	0.476830	5.060429	0.419039
N	0.872723	4.474699	1.396484
C	2.623490	5.473514	2.876334
H	1.661119	5.567306	3.409279
C	2.369307	4.540467	1.662872
H	2.798302	4.888640	0.715338
C	3.294997	3.276210	3.248582
C	3.509042	2.085708	3.955341
H	3.412634	1.122536	3.453249
C	3.698784	2.200934	5.312352
H	3.758222	1.301382	5.930306
C	3.770153	3.465244	5.952943
C	3.746074	3.534182	7.379628
H	3.703939	2.596326	7.938693
C	3.714079	4.732976	8.045886
H	3.639888	4.804185	9.131755
C	3.881780	5.884436	7.259059
C	4.486282	7.896955	6.731277
C	4.537666	7.208978	5.547788
C	4.038401	5.883864	5.872080
C	3.772339	4.667698	5.161675
C	3.423677	4.541312	3.788580
C	2.994831	6.870145	2.438946
C	3.943867	7.108191	1.437540
H	4.539392	6.282658	1.039938
C	4.141593	8.391258	0.940455

H	4.884868	8.558676	0.158126
C	3.398739	9.461274	1.442218
H	3.544981	10.465755	1.036809
C	2.475301	9.241591	2.459956
H	1.895298	10.072434	2.868444
C	2.273014	7.952041	2.949019
H	1.530945	7.779527	3.733037
C	5.354881	7.615209	4.393000
C	6.134102	6.658885	3.731367
H	6.025332	5.610393	4.014903
C	7.056073	7.012661	2.748722
H	7.652602	6.240562	2.258069
C	7.219873	8.352789	2.416844
H	7.944928	8.651739	1.655952
C	6.457526	9.329398	3.056265
H	6.590194	10.375843	2.781863
C	5.526903	8.971190	4.035695
H	4.773563	8.914169	6.977142
O	4.770091	9.868050	4.705790
C	4.852991	11.223348	4.366604
H	4.134155	11.751198	5.006679
H	5.862202	11.633869	4.549091
H	4.583005	11.394680	3.309996

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Min2	E[hartree]	= -1468.390709	G[hartree]	= -1468.038484
O	2.949143	3.294047	2.051787	
O	4.554610	7.129080	7.792482	
O	0.800339	4.578209	0.911344	
O	2.300393	5.176053	-0.517613	
N	1.933345	4.808873	0.573288	
C	2.749593	5.481935	2.849093	
H	1.663307	5.343423	3.026027	
C	3.011296	4.623504	1.619010	
H	3.961281	4.827665	1.101551	
C	3.199789	3.295546	3.392650	
C	3.191266	2.125322	4.158782	
H	3.050710	1.153503	3.684263	
C	3.277019	2.281434	5.525532	
H	3.187338	1.408887	6.177500	
C	3.494070	3.548811	6.123659	
C	3.513802	3.669176	7.547383	
H	3.326355	2.771459	8.141488	
C	3.737747	4.870078	8.171064	
H	3.729645	4.982031	9.256034	
C	4.085183	5.948983	7.340133	
C	5.016064	7.804546	6.717011	
C	4.851436	7.104159	5.552236	
C	4.152683	5.892287	5.947725	

C	3.667745	4.713088	5.291795
C	3.356361	4.567094	3.917352
C	2.903186	6.973132	2.709401
C	3.396569	7.574057	1.548622
H	3.794307	6.970942	0.731097
C	3.361187	8.960630	1.401309
H	3.744062	9.411212	0.482713
C	2.836072	9.763247	2.409926
H	2.793139	10.847994	2.283252
C	2.351623	9.172610	3.577484
H	1.942498	9.791286	4.379314
C	2.373428	7.790235	3.718049
H	1.969539	7.330594	4.623531
C	5.519151	7.400293	4.276142
C	6.002219	6.354161	3.481162
H	5.844101	5.328063	3.816399
C	6.686132	6.588199	2.290461
H	7.049950	5.747583	1.695336
C	6.915468	7.897619	1.881597
H	7.450212	8.102812	0.951114
C	6.474471	8.961993	2.665877
H	6.666294	9.983197	2.337206
C	5.785621	8.724352	3.858910
H	5.486892	8.761817	6.913704
O	5.354185	9.710569	4.674391
C	5.555172	11.045391	4.303890
H	5.106070	11.660672	5.094345
H	6.628631	11.292967	4.224276
H	5.060948	11.280447	3.345565

e) **Compound 7**

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Min1	E[hartree] = -1261.880656	G[hartree] = -1261.573853	
O	-1.832477	-2.331733	-1.655994
O	4.196800	0.665570	0.831234
C	-1.983026	-0.994912	-1.757877
H	-2.899456	-0.651350	-2.231211
C	-0.600855	-2.543350	-1.151361
C	-0.005999	-3.809600	-1.066962
H	-0.565058	-4.707634	-1.332417
C	1.322292	-3.831187	-0.724670
H	1.873943	-4.774221	-0.723428
C	2.021350	-2.642615	-0.362961
C	3.416067	-2.703798	-0.099276
H	3.924865	-3.666094	-0.196453
C	4.129110	-1.581112	0.224032
H	5.209953	-1.591066	0.370517
C	3.436022	-0.374087	0.451539

C	3.670964	1.904857	1.158681
C	2.240443	1.899962	1.377323
H	1.851615	2.755242	1.930169
C	1.435912	0.859327	1.017212
C	2.042257	-0.284041	0.343602
C	1.347439	-1.381095	-0.278885
C	0.032669	-1.332320	-0.847221
C	-0.891310	-0.306887	-1.308176
C	0.037388	0.851133	1.508938
C	-0.519080	-0.313746	2.057934
H	0.060617	-1.238742	2.064121
C	-1.795987	-0.296194	2.611171
H	-2.211473	-1.212075	3.038067
C	-2.539124	0.883865	2.625011
H	-3.543528	0.895270	3.055419
C	-1.992266	2.049055	2.088493
H	-2.569546	2.976709	2.084786
C	-0.714839	2.033264	1.537996
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f) **Compound 4aa**

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## 9. Single crystal X-Ray diffraction

Crystals suitable for single crystal X-ray diffraction analysis were obtained by slow evaporation from cyclohexane for **4aa**, from a CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/n-hexane mixture for **4na**, from CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> for **4ma** and **4oa**, from a CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>/cyclohexane mixture for **5fa** and from CHCl<sub>3</sub> for **4ha**. They were measured on a Rigaku Oxford Diffraction SuperNova diffractometer at room temperature at the CuK $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda=1.54184\text{ \AA}$ ). Data collection reduction and multiscan ABSPACK correction were performed with CrysAlisPro (Rigaku Oxford Diffraction). Using Olex2<sup>1</sup> the structures were solved by intrinsic phasing methods with SHELXT<sup>2</sup> and SHELXL<sup>3</sup> was used for full matrix least squares refinement. H-atoms were found experimentally for all compounds except for **5na** where they were introduced at geometrical positions. All hydrogens were refined as riding atoms with their Uiso parameters constrained to 1.2Ueq(parent atom) for the CH and CH<sub>2</sub> groups and to 1.5Ueq(parent atom) for the CH<sub>3</sub>.

**5na** crystallized with the two enantiomers in the asymmetric unit but not related by a crystallographic symmetry as they are also conformers.

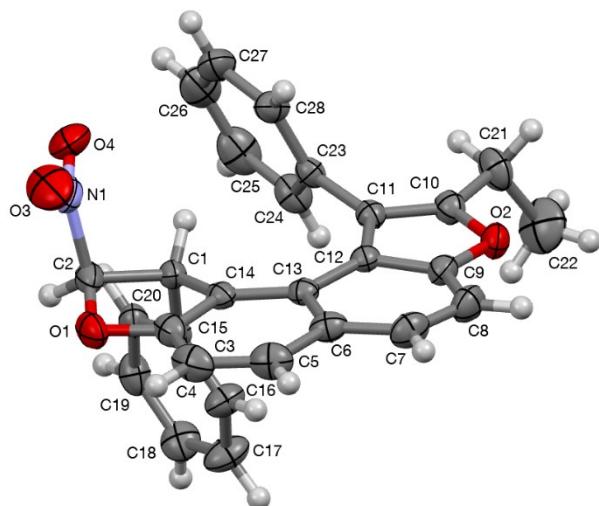
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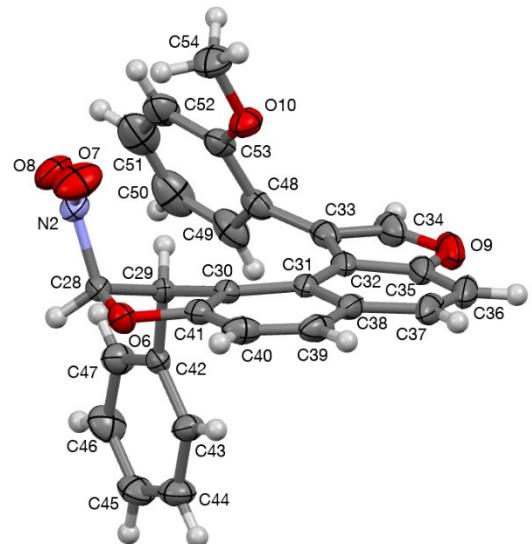
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Table A. Crystal data and structure refinement for **4aa**, **4na**, **4ma**, **4fa**, **4ha**, **4oa** and **7**.

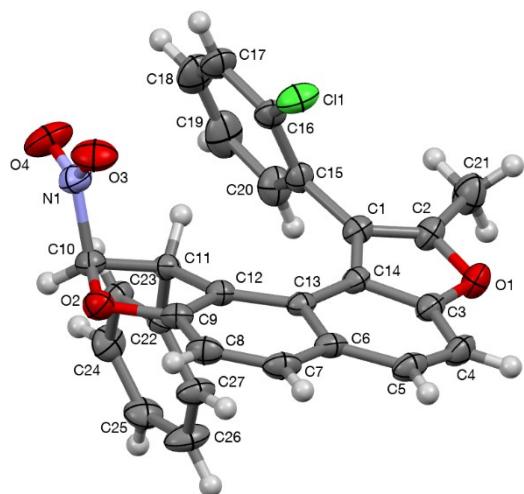
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Formula	C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>21</sub> N <sub>1</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>54</sub> H <sub>38</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>10</sub>	C <sub>27</sub> H <sub>18</sub> Cl <sub>1</sub> N <sub>1</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>27</sub> H <sub>20</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>27</sub> H <sub>19</sub> N <sub>1</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>27</sub> H <sub>17</sub> N <sub>1</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	C <sub>27</sub> H <sub>16</sub> O <sub>3</sub>
M <sub>w</sub>	435.46	874.86	455.87	420.45	421.43	435.42	388.40
Crystal system	orthorhombic	orthorhombic	monoclinic	orthorhombic	triclinic	orthorhombic	monoclinic
Space group	P 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub>	P na2 <sub>1</sub>	P 2 <sub>1</sub> /c	P 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub>	P -1	P b c a	P 2 <sub>1</sub> /n
a/ Å	12.28419(14)	15.4716(8)	15.3160(5)	9.18760(10)	8.7947(2)	10.9082(6)	10.93381(14)
b/ Å	13.47791(17)	10.1507(8)	9.2552(2)	11.14520(10)	9.7683(2)	13.4620(7)	15.53317(18)
c/ Å	13.83030(17)	27.2357(19)	16.7635(5)	20.9565(2)	13.6750(3)	28.2100(13)	11.17806(14)
α/ °					78.591(2)		
β/ °			112.958(4)		74.221(2)		92.8746(12)
γ/ °					66.162(2)		
V/ Å <sup>3</sup>	2289.82(5)	4277.3(5)	1421.4(2)	2145.90(4)	1028.93(5)	4142.5(4)	1896.06(4)
Z	4	4	4	4	2	8	4
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Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.08*0.1*0.22	0.04*0.16*0.3	0.05*0.12*0.2	0.24*0.28*0.3	0.1*0.1*0.12	0.12*0.26*0.3	0.12*0.18*0.2
μ(Mo-Kα)/mm <sup>-1</sup>	0.685	0.773	1.841	0.689	0.744	0.798	0.707
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N° of unique refl.	4475	7959	4174	4452	4028	3947	3710
N° of obs. refl.[F <sup>2</sup> ] > 4σF <sup>2</sup> ]	4184	6706	3074	4332	3629	2964	3365
N° parameters refined	300	598	299	291	290	300	272
R <sub>1</sub> [F <sup>2</sup> >4σF <sup>2</sup> ]	0.0371	0.0706	0.0473	0.0404	0.0435	0.0661	0.0347
wR <sub>1</sub> [F <sup>2</sup> >4σF <sup>2</sup> ]	0.0991	0.1815	0.1342	0.1123	0.1221	0.2311	0.0957
R <sub>2</sub> [all refl.]	0.04	0.0792	0.0671	0.0419	0.0469	0.0970	0.0378
wR <sub>2</sub> [all refl.]	0.1031	0.1946	0.1692	0.1142	0.1260	0.2936	0.0992
Goodness of fit [all refl.]	1.026	1.04	1.132	1.069	1.039	1.132	1.043
Residual Fourier/e. Å <sup>-3</sup>	-0.155; 0.127	-0.248; 0.569	-0.385; 0.288	-0.174; 0.14	-0.25; 0.24	-0.341; 0.404	-0.151; 0.172
Flack	0.0(3)			-0.06(8)			



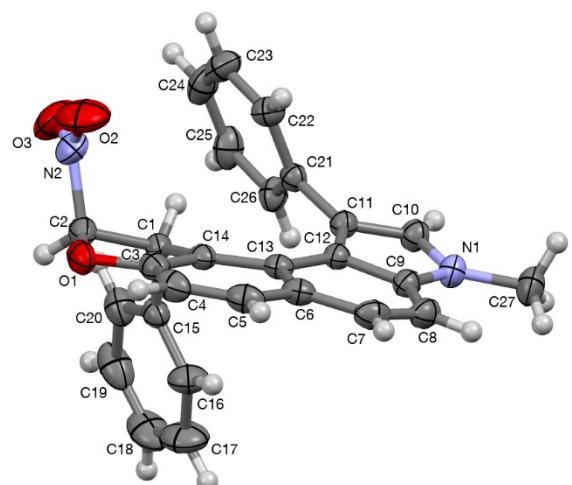
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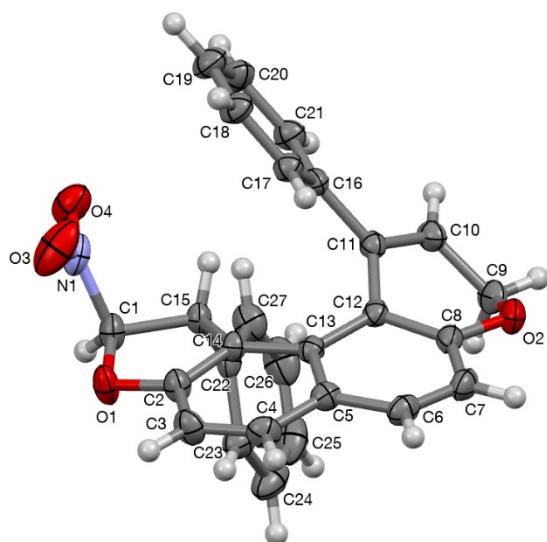
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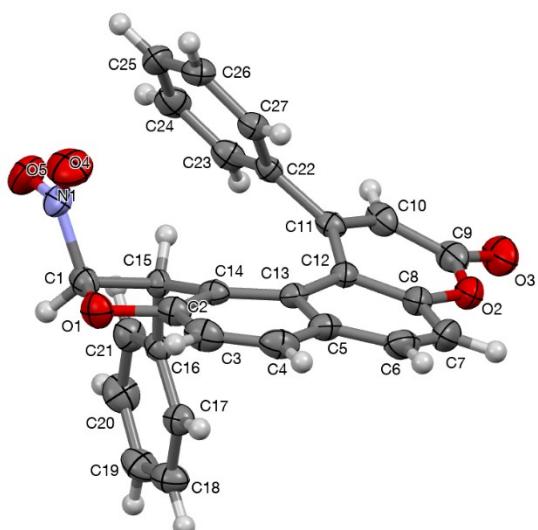
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4fa

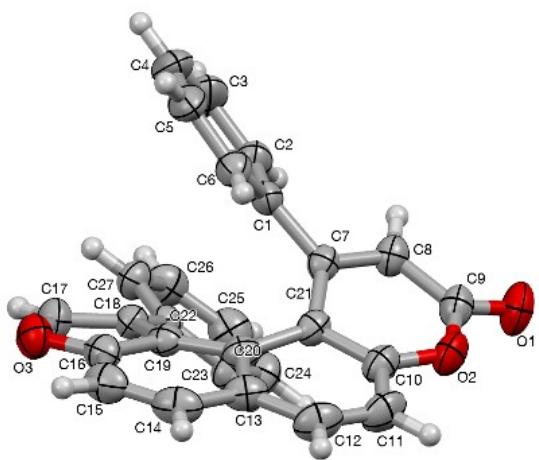


**4ha**



**4oa**

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enantomer for **4na** is presented for clarity.

## 10. Vibrational Circular Dichroism (VCD) and Electronic Circular Dichroism (ECD)

**Goal:** Elucidation of the absolute configuration of the two enantiomers of **4aa** using VCD and ECD spectroscopies combined with quantum chemistry calculations.

### a) Measurements

**VCD measurements:** Infrared (IR) and vibrational circular dichroism (VCD) spectra were recorded on a Bruker PMA 50 accessory coupled to a Vertex70 Fourier transform infrared spectrometer. A photoelastic modulator (Hinds PEM 90) set at  $l/4$  retardation was used to modulate the handedness of the circular polarized light at 50 kHz. Demodulation was performed by a lock-in amplifier (SR830 DSP). An optical low-pass filter ( $< 1800 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) before the photoelastic modulator was used to enhance the signal/noise ratio. A transmission cell equipped with CaF<sub>2</sub> windows and of 200  $\mu\text{m}$  of optical pathlength was used. Solutions with a concentration of 0.06 mol L<sup>-1</sup> were prepared by dissolving the solid samples in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The VCD spectra of the pure enantiomers (1st eluted)-**4aa** and (2nd eluted)-**4aa** were measured at room temperature and the baseline of the spectra were corrected using the standard procedure of the half-subtraction of the spectra of each enantiomer. For each individual spectrum, about 12000 scans were averaged at 4 cm<sup>-1</sup> resolution (corresponding to 3 hours measurement time). For IR absorption spectra, the cell filled with CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> served as a reference. The spectra are presented without smoothing and further data processing.

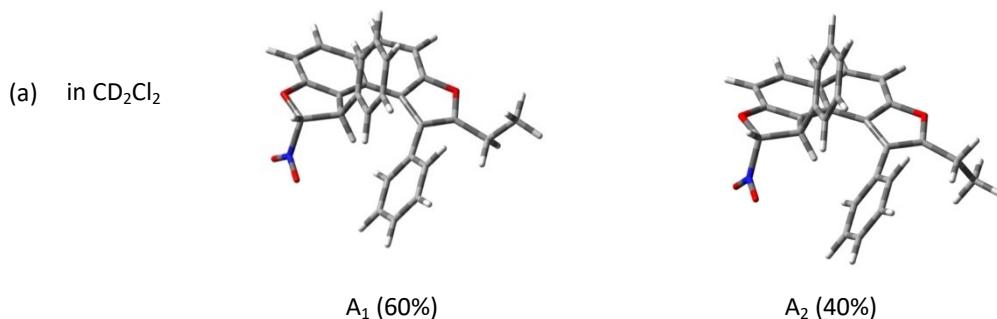
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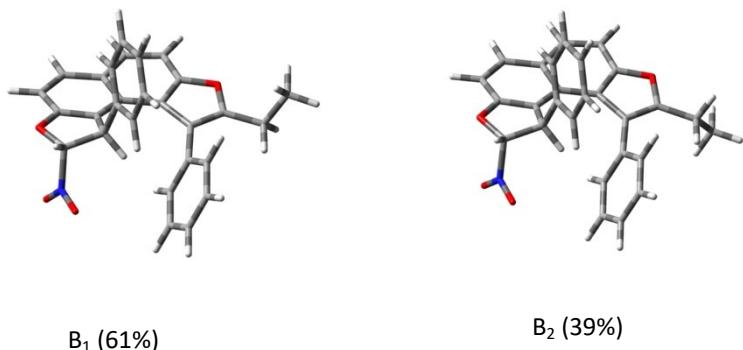
UV-vis and electronic circular dichroism (ECD) spectra were measured on a JASCO J-815 spectrometer equipped with a JASCO Peltier cell holder PTC-423 to maintain the temperature at 20.0 °C. A quartz photoelastic modulator set at  $l/4$  retardation was used to modulate the handedness of the circular polarized light at 50 kHz. A quartz cell of 1 mm of optical path length was used. Solutions with a concentration of 0.22 mmol.L<sup>-1</sup> for both enantiomers were prepared in acetonitrile (HPLC grade). The ECD spectrometer was purged with nitrogen during the recording of spectra. The UV absorption and ECD spectra were recorded using acetonitrile as a reference and are presented without smoothing and further data processing. Acquisition parameters: 0.1 nm as intervals, scanning speed 50 nm/min, band width 2 nm, and 3 accumulations per sample.

## MOLECULAR MODELING

### 1- Conformational study.

The IR and VCD spectra of molecule **4aa** were calculated for the enantiomer of absolute configuration (1*R*,2*R*,*P*). For the conformational analysis of this molecule, the geometries have been optimized using density functional theory (DFT) with B3LYP functional and TZVP basis set. Solvent effects were considered using the implicit polarizable dielectric continuum solvation model SMD. Dichloromethane (DCM) and acetonitrile (ACN) were chosen in analogy respectively with the VCD and ECD experiments. By systematically exploring the conformational space regardless of the selected solvent, we were able to establish that there are only two conformations for the molecule (1*R*,2*R*,*P*)-**4aa** (Figure 1).





*Figure 1- Geometries of the two conformations of (1R,2R,P)-4aa optimized with (a) SMD(DCM)/B3LYP/TZVP and (b) SMD(ACN)/B3LYP/TZVP level. The Boltzmann populations calculated at the same theoretical level as for the geometry optimizations are given in brackets.*

## 2- Calculation of averaged IR, VCD, UV and ECD spectra

The vibrational frequencies, IR absorption and VCD intensities were calculated using the same theoretical level as for geometry optimizations, SMD(DCM)/B3LYP/TZVP. The frequencies calculations allow to establish that the conformations found are minima (no imaginary frequency). For the calculation of IR/VCD spectra, computed harmonic frequencies are generally larger than those experimentally observed. Thus, a scaling factor of 0.985 has been applied homogenously to all calculated frequencies in order to calibrate the spectra. IR absorption and VCD spectra were constructed respectively from calculated dipole and rotational strengths assuming Lorentzian band shape with half-width of 8 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

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## RESULTS

### IR AND VCD ANALYSIS

Figure 2 shows the IR and VCD spectra measured for the two enantiomers (1<sup>st</sup> eluted)-4aa (green curve) and (2<sup>nd</sup> eluted)-4aa (red curve) and calculated for the enantiomer (1R,2R,P)-4aa (blue curve). It can be observed that the IR and VCD spectra calculated for (1R,2R,P)-4aa gives the best correlation (signs and intensities of bands) with the spectra measured for the (1<sup>st</sup> eluted)-4aa enantiomer.

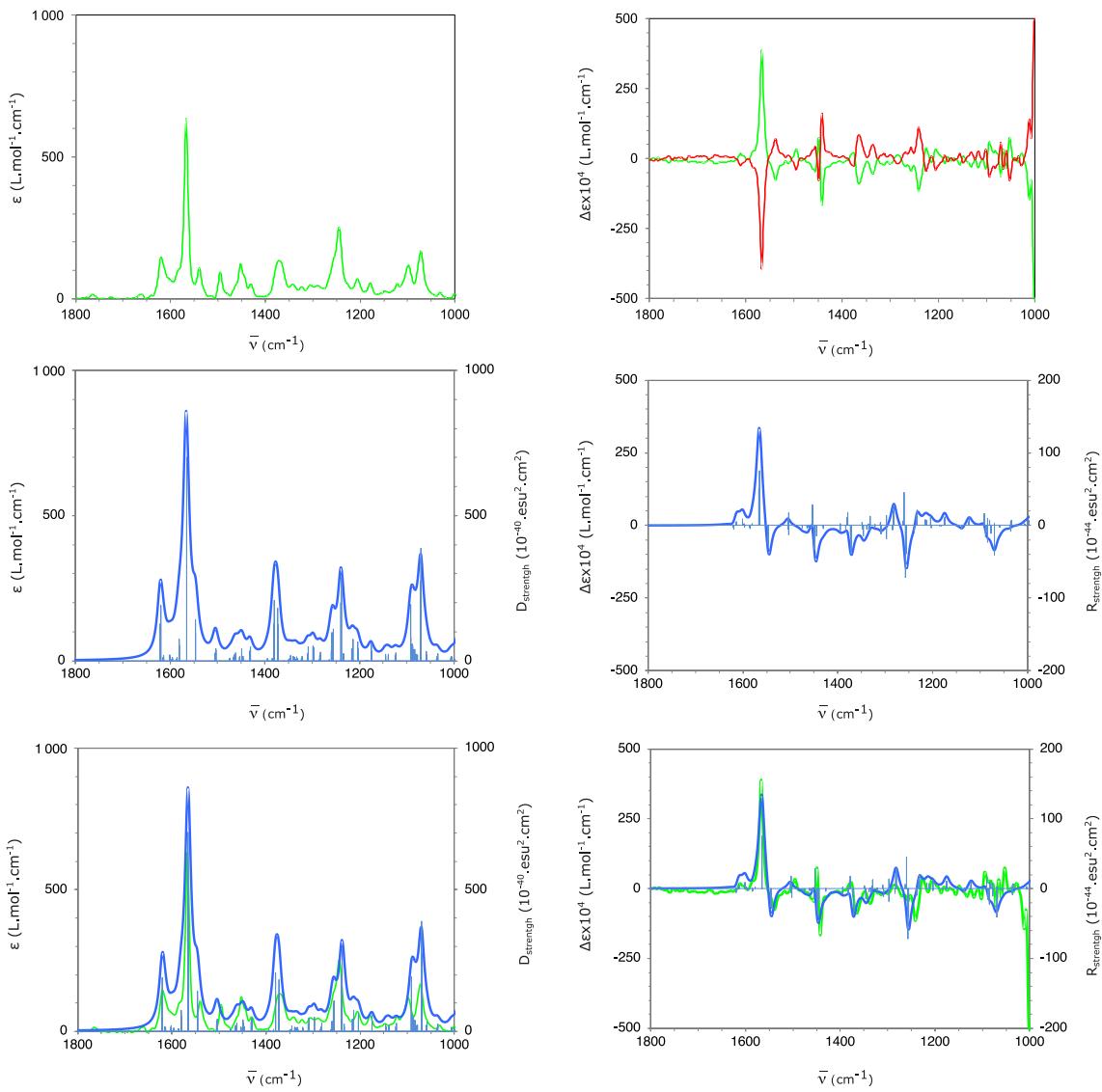


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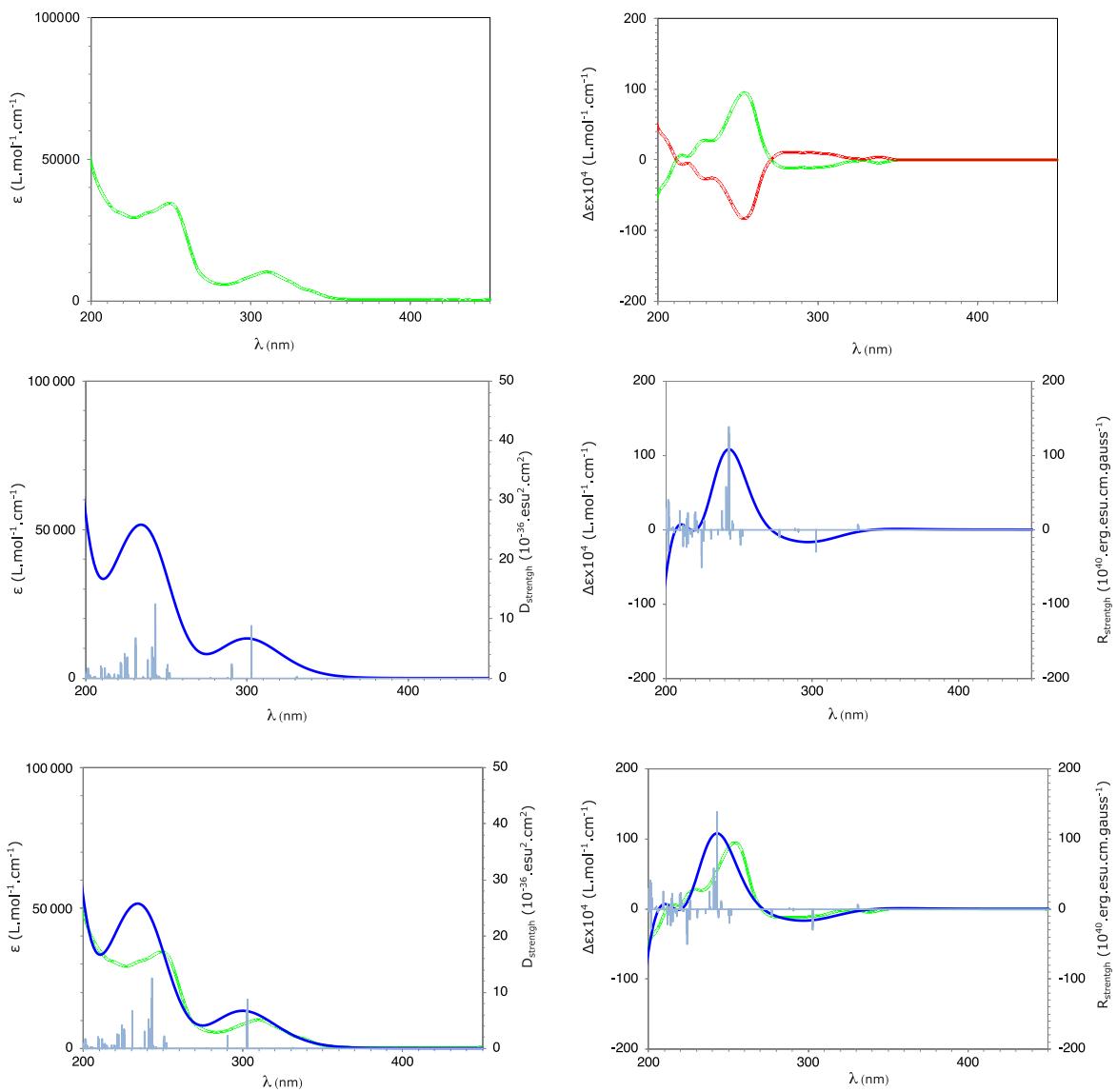


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## CONCLUSION

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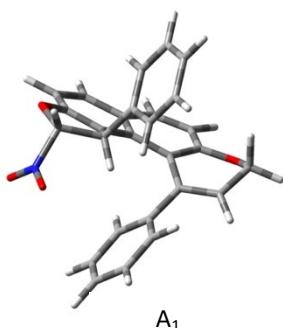
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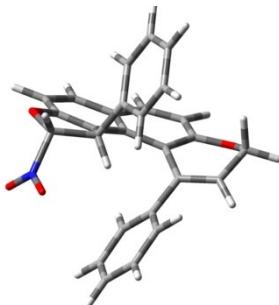
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(a) in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$



(b) in  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$



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Figure 1- Single conformation geometry of (*1R,2R,P*)-**4ha** optimized with (a) SMD(DCM)/B3LYP/TZVP and (b) SMD(ACN)/B3LYP/TZVP level.

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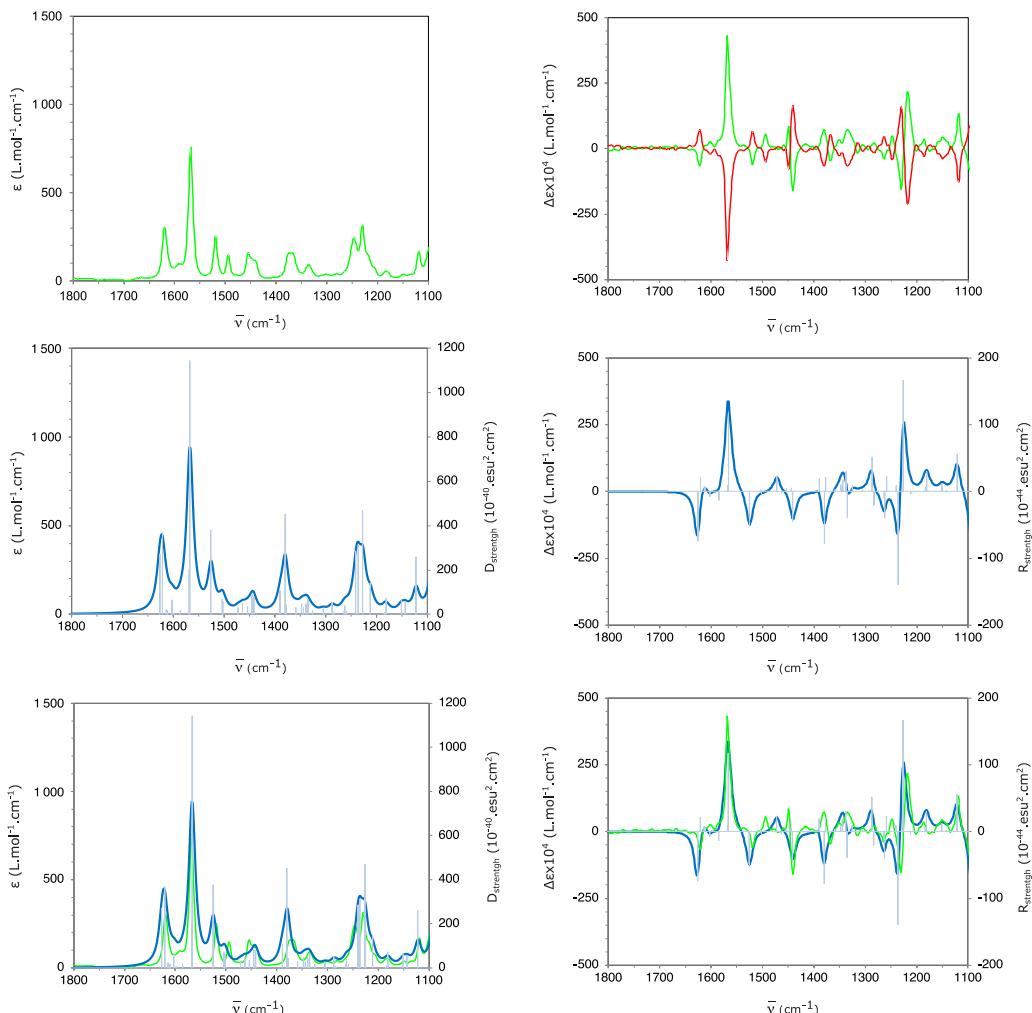
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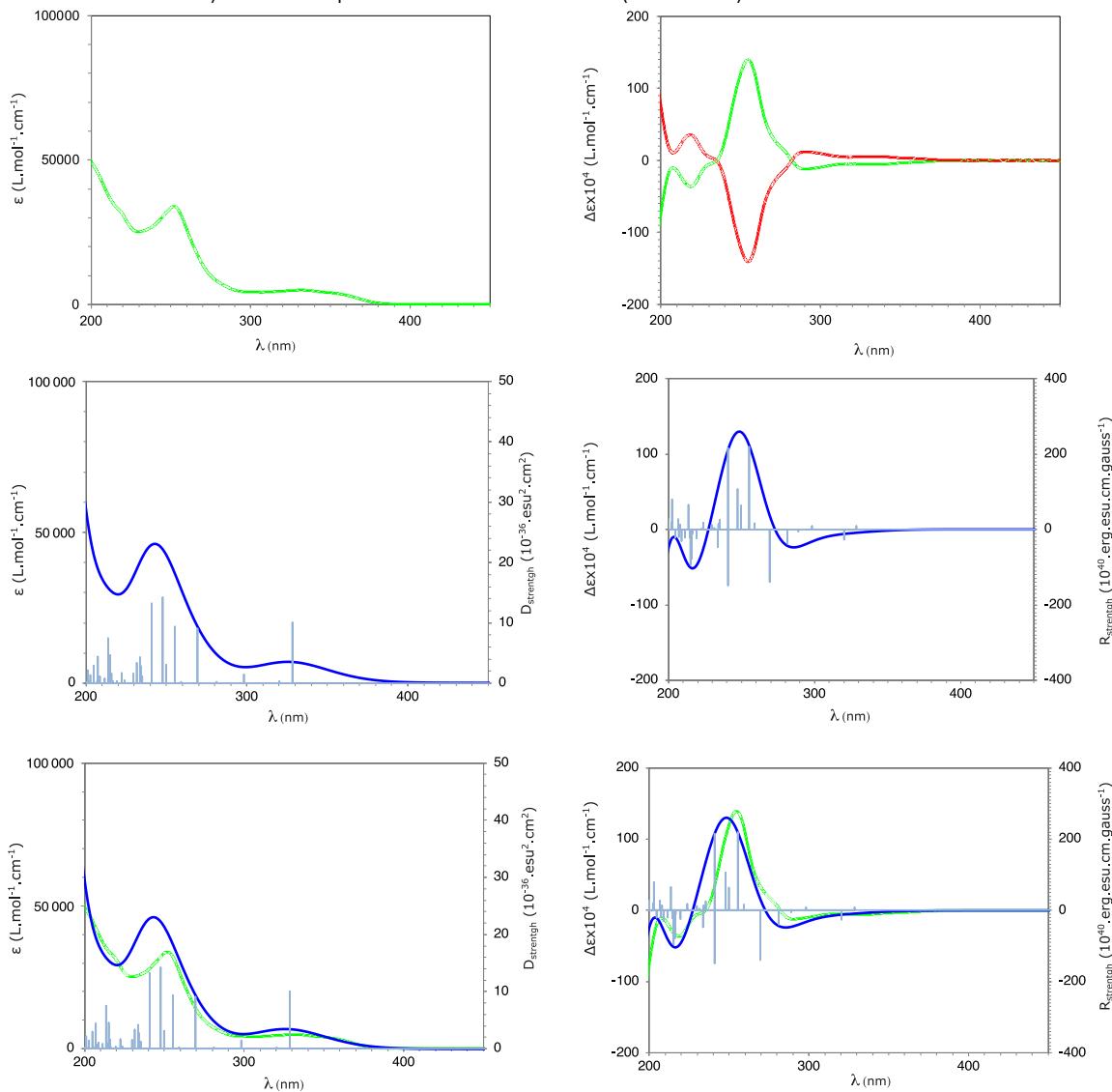


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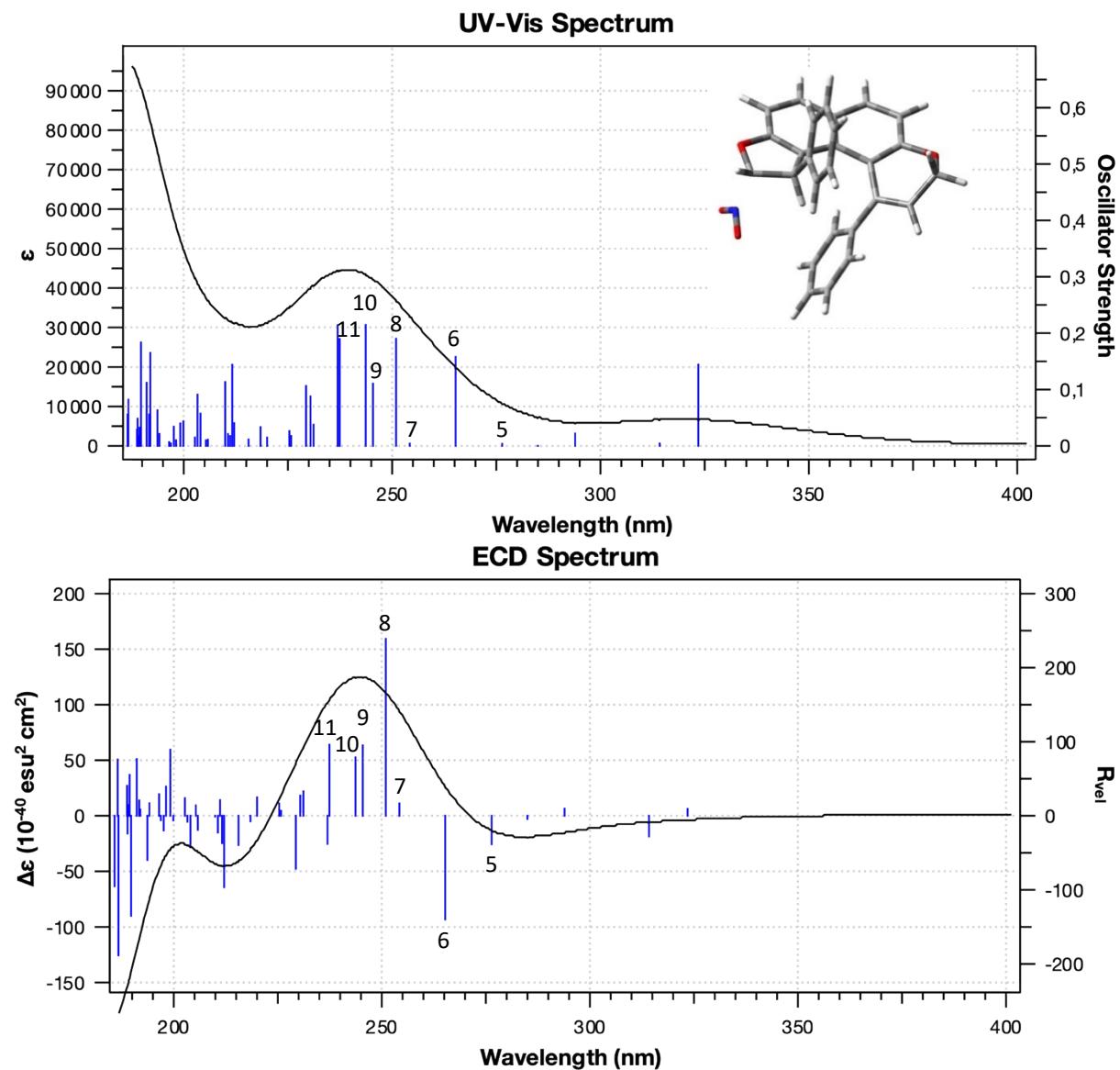
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*Rotatory Strengths (R) in cgs ( $10^{**}$ -40 erg-esu-cm/Gauss)*

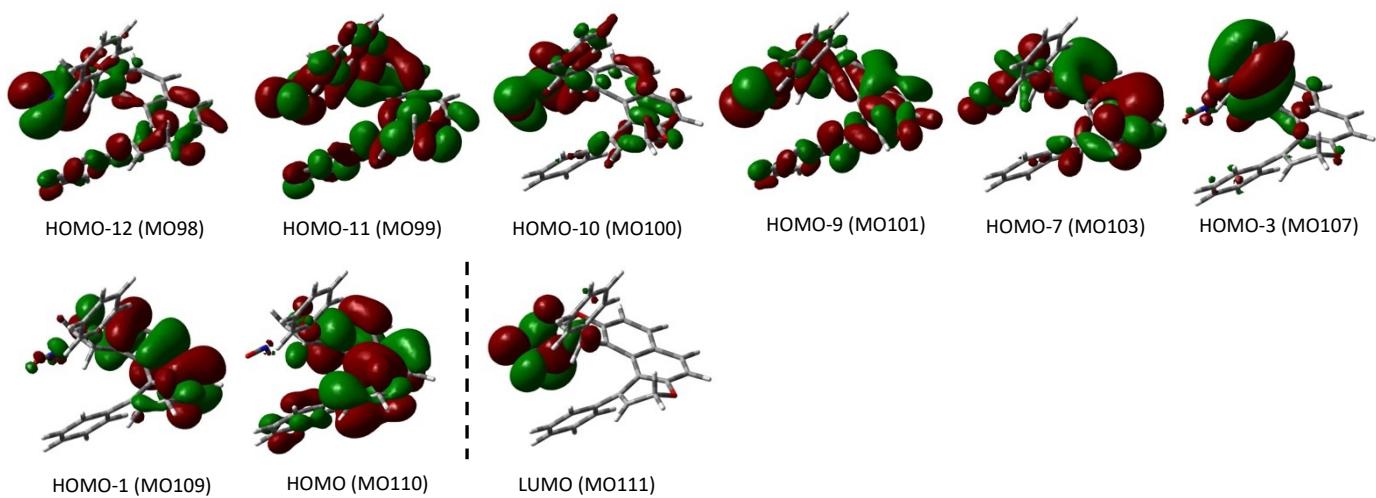
*All frontier MOs of R,R,P)-**4aa** and (R,R,P)-**4ha** are given with isosurfaces of 0.02 a.u*

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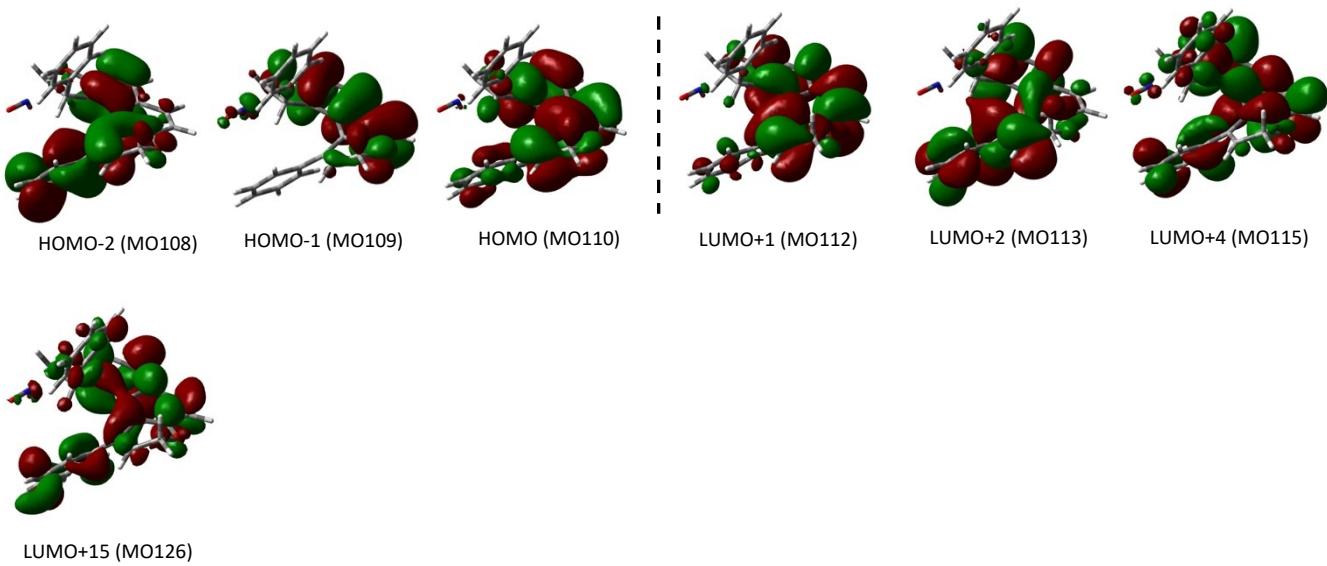
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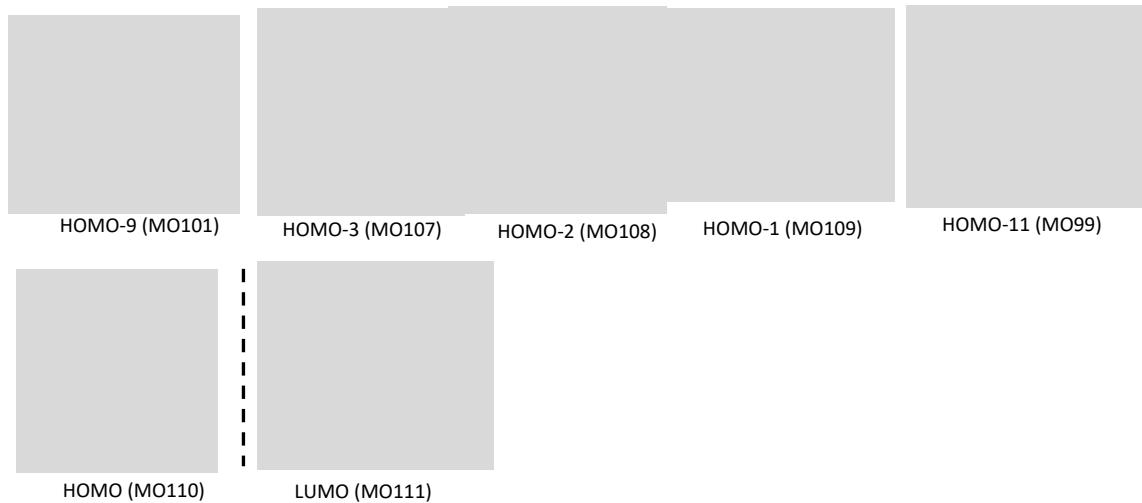
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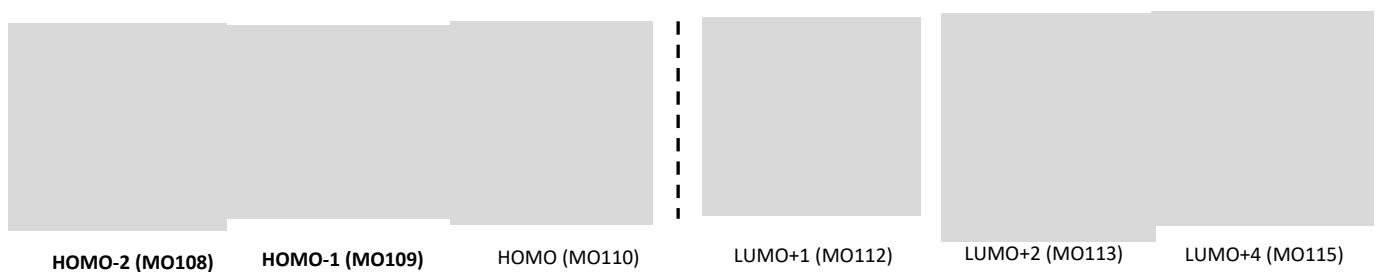
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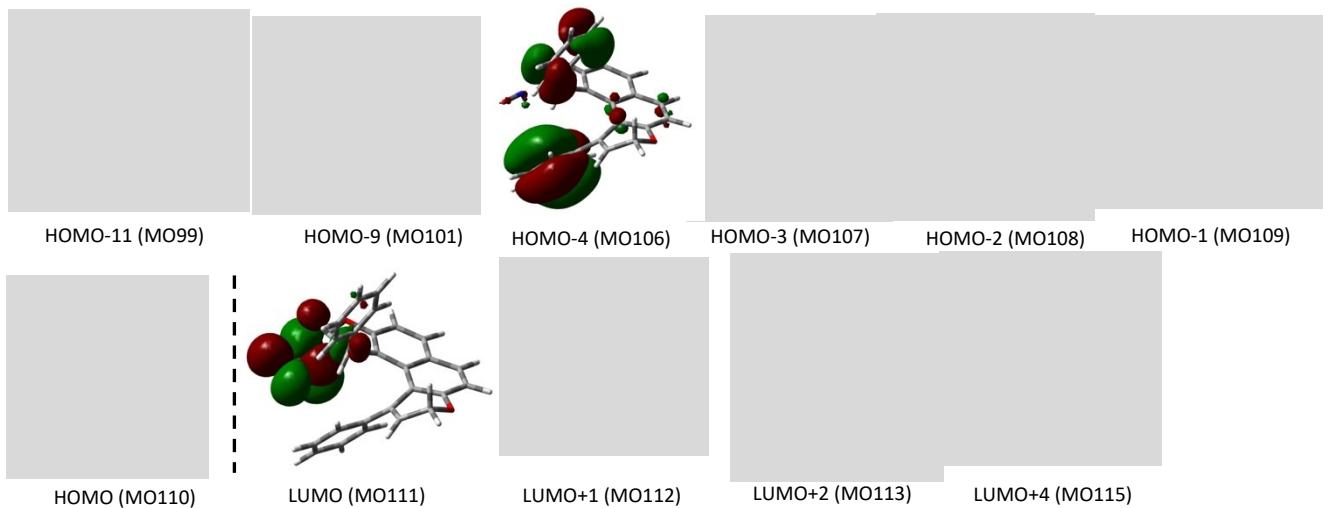
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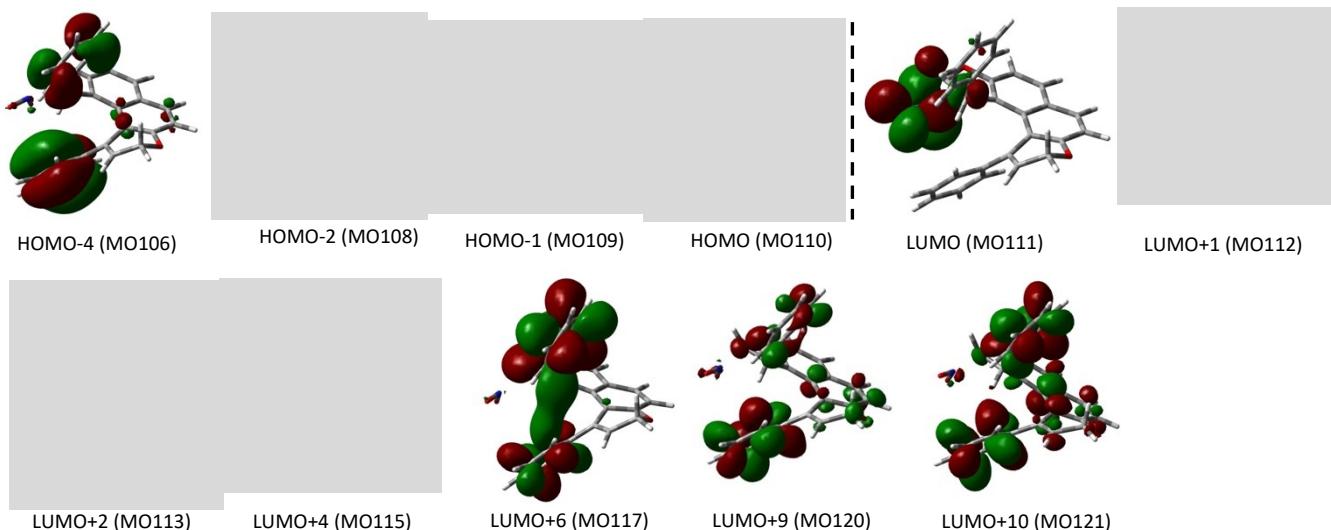
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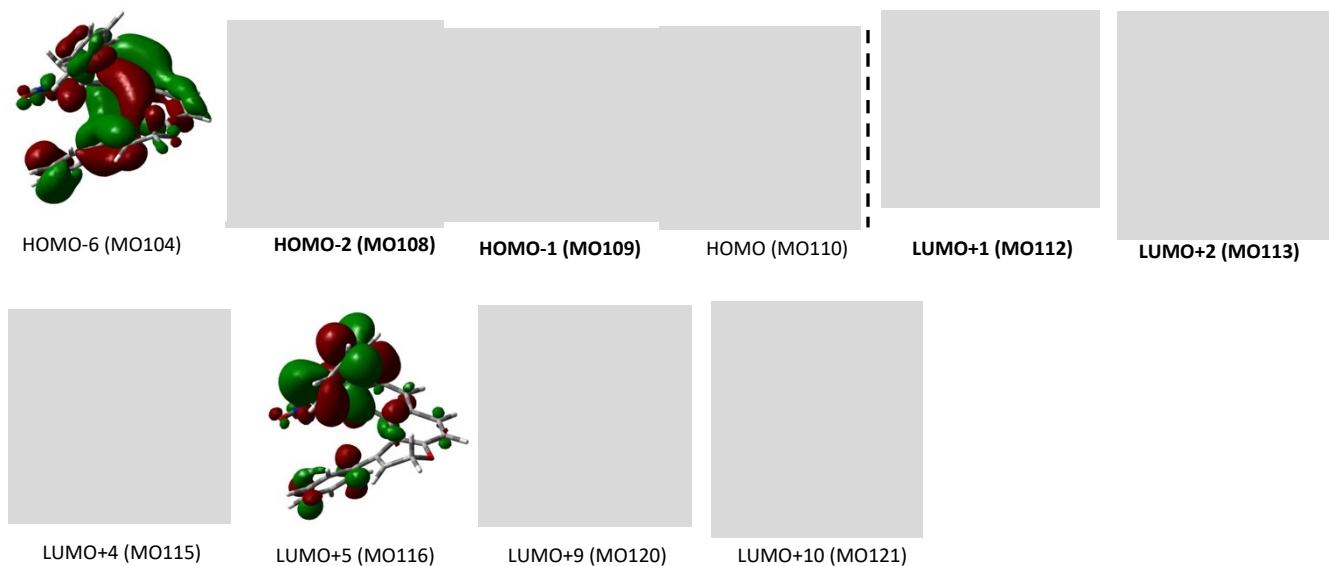
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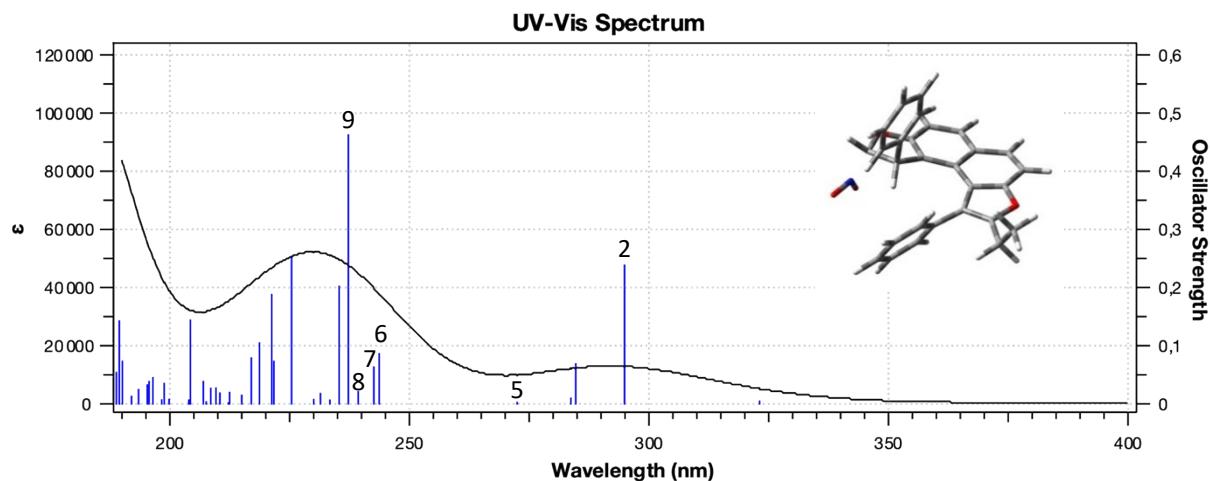
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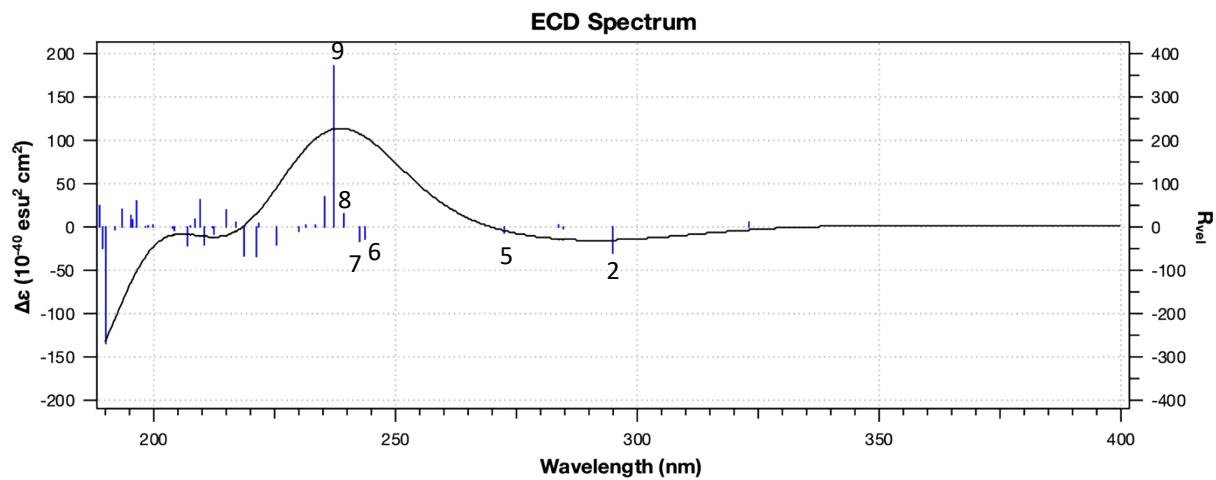
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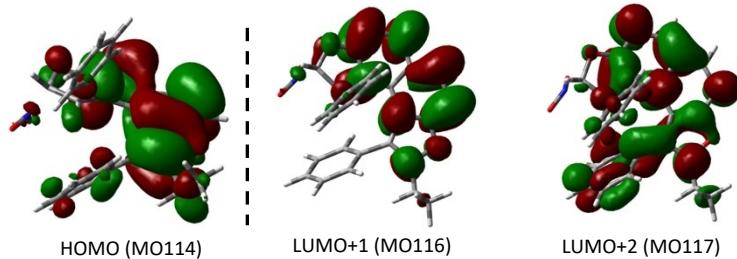
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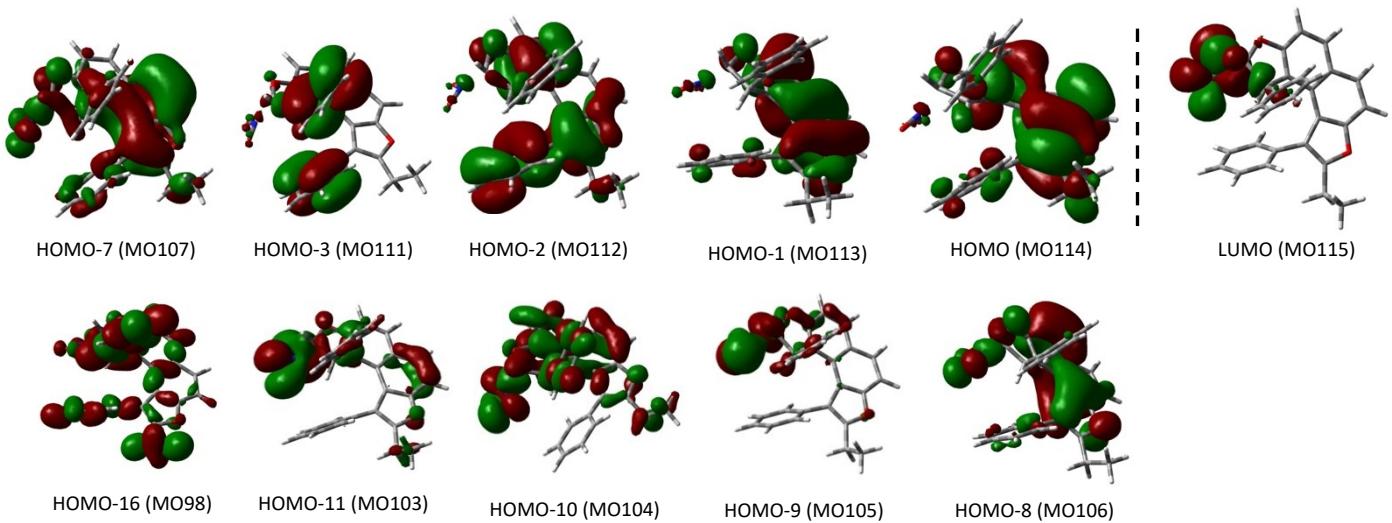
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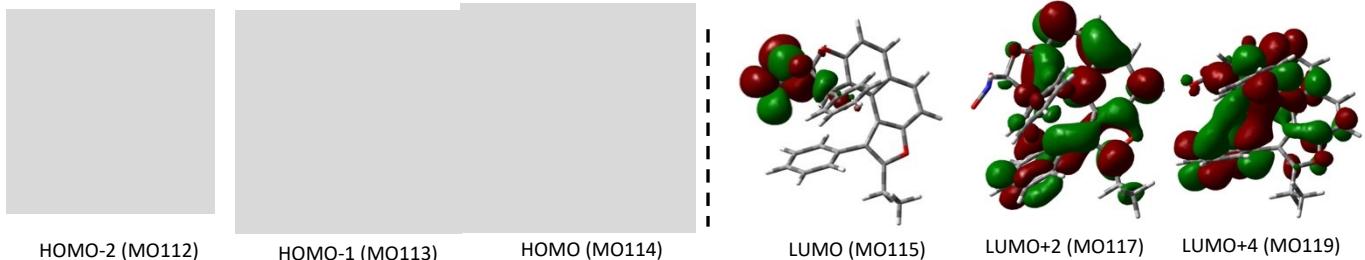
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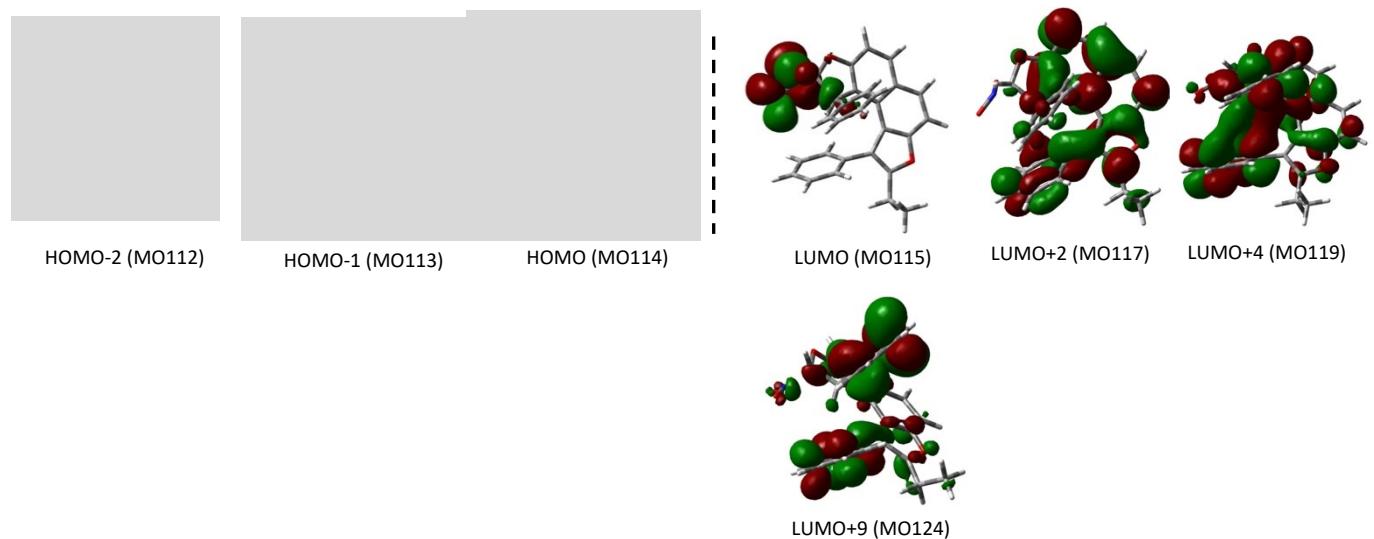
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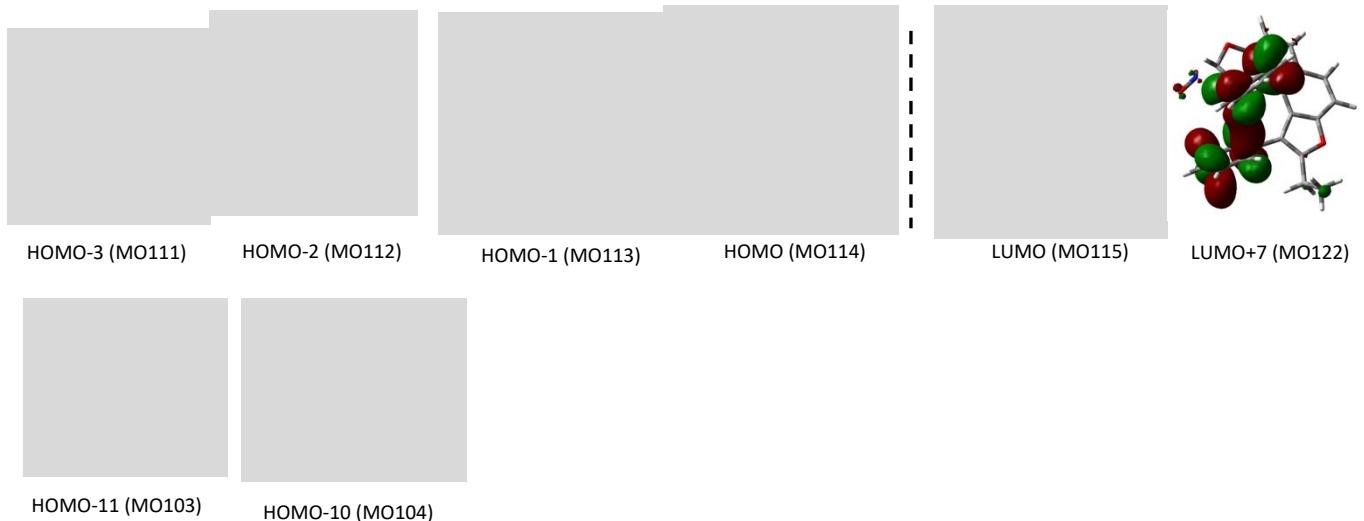
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114 ->122 0.11834



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