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# **Preparation and confinement effect of hetereogeneous**

# 9-amino-9-deoxy-epi-cinchonidine organocatalyst for asymmetric aldol

# addition in aqueous medium

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### 1. NMR spectra of 1a-e and 9-amino-9-deoxy-epi-cinchonine



9-amino-9-deoxy-epi-cinchonine:

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (300M Hz,CDCl<sub>3</sub>. TMS): δ 8.90 (H-2<sup>′</sup>, 1 H, d, <sup>3</sup>J=6.0 Hz), 8.35 (H-5<sup>′</sup>, 1 H, br s, <sup>3</sup>J=9.0 Hz), 8.15 (H-8<sup>′</sup>, 1 H, d, <sup>3</sup>J=3.0 Hz), 7.70 (H-7<sup>′</sup>, 1 H, t, <sup>3</sup>J=6.0 Hz), 7.58 (H-6<sup>′</sup>, 1 H, t, <sup>3</sup>J=6.0 Hz), 7.52 (H-3<sup>′</sup>, 1 H, d, <sup>3</sup>J=2.0 Hz), 5.78 (H-10, 1 H, ddd), 4.94-5.02 (H-11, 2 H, m), 4.70(H-9, 1 H, d, <sup>3</sup>J=9.0 Hz), 3.26 (H-6α, dd, 1 H), 3.17(H-2-exo, q, 1 H), 3.06 (H-8, 1 H, d, <sup>3</sup>J=9.0 Hz), 2.73-2.83(H-6β, H-2-endo, 2 H), 2.26 (H-5α, s, 1 H), 2.15 (-NH<sub>2</sub>, s, 2 H), 1.57-1.59 (H-3, H-4, H-5β, 3 H), 1.40 (H-7β, 1 H), 0.73 (H-7α, dd, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (75M Hz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>. TMS): δ 150.1 (C-6<sup>′</sup>), 148.5 (C-4<sup>′</sup>), 148.3 (C-2<sup>′</sup>), 141.6 (C-10), 130.2 (C-10<sup>′</sup>), 128.8 (C-8<sup>′</sup>), 127.6 (C-9<sup>′</sup>), 126.2 (C-7<sup>′</sup>), 123.1 (C-3<sup>′</sup>), 119.4 (C-5<sup>′</sup>), 114.1 (C-11), 77.2 (C-8), 61.7 (C-2), 56.1 (C-9), 40.7 (C-6), 39.5 (C-3), 27.9 (C-5), 27.3 (C-7), 25.8(C-4).



155 150 145 140 135 130 125 120 115 110 105 100 95 90 85 80 75 70 65 60 55 50 45 40 35 30 25 20 fl (ppm)

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# 2. Elemental analysis of 2a-e

Catalyst	Molecular formula	Calcd.(Found) (%)			
	-	С	Н	Ν	
2a	Zr(OH) <sub>3.18</sub> (O <sub>3</sub> PR) <sub>0.41</sub> ·1.98H <sub>2</sub> O	29.24 (29.01)	6.29 (6.46)	4.44 (4.23)	
2b	Zr(OH) <sub>3.14</sub> (O <sub>3</sub> PR) <sub>0.43</sub> ·1.76H <sub>2</sub> O	30.64 (30.23)	6.41 (6.59)	4.53 (4.34)	
2c	Zr(OH) <sub>2.88</sub> (O <sub>3</sub> PR) <sub>0.56</sub> ·2.89H <sub>2</sub> O	34.31 (33.98)	7.02 (7.43)	4.80 (4.59)	
2d	Zr(OH) <sub>3.26</sub> (O <sub>3</sub> PR) <sub>0.37</sub> ·2.02H <sub>2</sub> O	30.07 (30.12)	6.52 (6.61)	4.05 (4.21)	
2e	Zr(OH) <sub>3.04</sub> (O <sub>3</sub> PR) <sub>0.48</sub> ·2.28H <sub>2</sub> O	34.46 (34.12)	7.00 (7.37)	4.46 (4.51)	
3b	Zr(OH) <sub>3.18</sub> (O <sub>3</sub> PR) <sub>0.41</sub> ·1.12H <sub>2</sub> O	35.00 (35.24)	6.95 (7.21)	5.10 (4.88)	
3c	Zr(OH) <sub>3.22</sub> (O <sub>3</sub> PR) <sub>0.39</sub> ·1.47H <sub>2</sub> O	30.83 (30.38)	6.35 (6.89)	4.31 (4.10)	
<b>4</b> c	Zr(OH) <sub>3.12</sub> (O <sub>3</sub> PR) <sub>0.44</sub> ·1.41H <sub>2</sub> O	32.61 (32.68)	6.46 (6.51)	4.56 (4.46)	
5c <sub>1</sub>	Zr(O <sub>3</sub> POH) <sub>1.71</sub> (O <sub>3</sub> PR) <sub>0.29</sub> ·2.14H <sub>2</sub> O	19.43 (19.40)	4.31 (4.44)	2.72 (2.43)	
5c <sub>2</sub>	Zr(O <sub>3</sub> POH) <sub>1.78</sub> (O <sub>3</sub> PR) <sub>0.22</sub> ·1.54H <sub>2</sub> O	16.24 (16.09)	3.68 (3.92)	2.27 (2.26)	
5c3	Zr(O <sub>3</sub> POH) <sub>1.81</sub> (O <sub>3</sub> PR) <sub>0.19</sub> ·1.21H <sub>2</sub> O	14.71 (14.54)	3.34 (4.02)	2.06 (1.91)	

## 3. TGA analysis



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Fig.S2

5.XRD spectra



Fig.S3 The powder XRD patterns of zirconium phosphonates 2a-e and 3b, c

6. Nitrogen adsorption-adsorption isotherms





Fig.S4 Nitrogen adsorption-desorption isotherm plots

# 7.AFM images

(1) Zirconium phosphonate 3c



0.4

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0.2

× 0.200 秒/div Z 60.000 nm/div 0 0



Fig.S 5 AFM images of zirconium phosphonate 3c

(2) Zirconium phosphonate 4c



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Fig.S6 AFM images of zirconium phosphonate 4c

(3) Zirconium phosphonate  $5c_1$ 



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Fig.S7 AFM images of zirconium phosphonate 5c1

### 8. Influence of other factors on the catalytic properties

#### (1) The acidic additives

#### Table S1.

The direct asymmetric aldol reaction of 4-nitrobenzaldehyde and cyclohexanone in water <sup>a</sup>

Entry	additive	Yield (%) <sup>b</sup>	ee(%)(anti) <sup>c</sup>	ee (%)(syn) <sup>c</sup>	dr(anti/syn)
1	P-TsOH	45	9	17	56/44
2	HOAc	71	78	47	65/35
3	HCl	90	90	7	77/23
4	4-NO <sub>2</sub> PhCOOH	94	90	2	79/21
5	TFA	64	85	29	73/27
6	(S)-NCM	47	69	23	63/37
7	PhCOOH	76	92	44	84/16
8	(S)-NCM <sup>d</sup>	18	47	15	58/42
9	TfOH	98	96	25	80/20

 $^{\rm a}$  Reaction conditions: 4-nitrobenzaldehyde (0.25 mmol) , cyclohexanone (0.39 mmol) , catalyst  ${\bf 3c}$ 

(0.025 mmol, 10 mol%), 25 °C, 96 h, 1 mL of water, acidic additive ( $3.75 \times 10^{-3}$  mmol).

<sup>b</sup> Isolated yield.

<sup>c</sup> Determined by chrial HPLC.

<sup>d</sup> With out catalyst **3c**, NCM=1,1<sup>/</sup>-bi-2-naphthol cyclic monophosphate.

### (2) Solvents

#### Table S2.

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The direct asymmetric aldol reaction of 4-nitrobenzaldehyde and cyclohexanone in water <sup>a</sup>

Entry	Solvent	Yield (%) <sup>b</sup>	ee(%)(anti) <sup>c</sup>	ee (%)(syn) <sup>c</sup>	dr(anti/syn)
1	H <sub>2</sub> O	96	96	27	85/15
2	THF	19	48	9	38/62
3	DMF	15	31	8	43/57
4	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OH	11	83	5	60/40
5	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	59	5	15	34/66
6	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	26	15	0	37/63

7	DMSO	21	9	7	31/69
8	CHCl <sub>3</sub>	29	75	64	72/28

 $^{a}$  Reaction conditions: 4-nitrobenzaldehyde (0.25 mmol) , cyclohexanone (0.39 mmol) , catalyst 3c

(0.025 mmol, 10 mol%), 25 °C, 96 h, 1 mL of solvent, acidic additive  $(3.75 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mmol})$ .

<sup>b</sup> Isolated yield.

<sup>c</sup> Determined by chrial HPLC.

(3) Temperature, used amount of water and zirconium phosphonate

#### Table S3.

The dire	ct asymmetric	aldol reaction	of 4-nitrobenz	zaldehyde and	cyclohexanone i	n water '
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Entry	Catalyst (mol%)	Temp.	Water (mL)	Yield (%) <sup>b</sup>	ee(%) (anti) <sup>c</sup>	ee (%)(syn) <sup>c</sup>	dr(anti/syn)
1	10	10	1	76	97	87	64/36
2	10	20	1	92	96	47	80/20
3	10	25	1	98	96	26	81/19
4	10	30	1	94	95	30	77/23
5	10	40	1	93	90	19	83/17
6	10	25	0.2	81	92	17	86/14
7	10	25	0.5	86	94	13	78/22
8	10	25	1	97	95	14	85/15
9	10	25	2	98	93	-21	74/26
10	10	25	3	91	92	-27	88/12
11	5	25	1	77	91	47	78/22
12	10	25	1	98	96	32	83/17
13	15	25	1	93	93	-38	81/19
14	20	25	1	92	94	-10	77/23
15	30	25	1	90	92	-26	72/28

<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions: 4-nitrobenzaldehyde (0.25 mmol) , cyclohexanone (0.39 mmol) , catalyst **3c**, 96 h, 1 mL of

water, acidic additive  $(3.75 \times 10^{-3} \text{ mmol})$ .

<sup>b</sup> Isolated yield.

<sup>c</sup> Determined by chrial HPLC.



**Fig.S8** The influence of used amounts of supported-catalyst **3c** on catalytic performance (5 and 15 mol%) *9. HPLC spectra for some compounds* 

(1) The aldol adducts of o-nitrobenzaldehyde to cyclohexanone

Racemic compounds



9-amino-9-deoxy-epi-cinchonine-catalyzed adducts



Supported organocatalyst 3c-catalyzed adducts



(2) The aldol adducts of m-nitrobenzaldehyde to cyclohexanone



Racemic compounds

9-amino-9-deoxy-epi-cinchonine-catalyzed adducts



Supported organocatalyst 3c-catalyzed adducts



(3) The aldol adducts of m-nitrobenzaldehyde to cyclohexanone



Racemic compounds

9-amino-9-deoxy-epi-cinchonine-catalyzed adducts



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