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Kinetics and Mechanism of the Aminolysis of Aryl Ethyl Chloro and Chlorothio Phosphates with Anilines

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	X	Y	k_H	k_D	k_H/k_D
	4-MeO	4-MeO	113 ± 7^a	104 ± 1^a	1.09 ± 0.07^a
	4-MeO	H	182 ± 9	153 ± 4	1.19 ± 0.07
	4-MeO	4-Cl	328 ± 27	268 ± 10	1.22 ± 0.11
	H	4-Me	16.2 ± 1.1	15.4 ± 0.8	1.10 ± 0.09
	H	H	20.0 ± 0.8	15.6 ± 1.4	1.28 ± 0.13
	H	4-Cl	37.4 ± 0.9	20.8 ± 1.0	1.80 ± 0.10
1	4-Cl	4-Me	3.00 ± 0.30	2.80 ± 0.28	1.07 ± 0.15
	4-Cl	H	3.60 ± 0.56	3.40 ± 0.20	1.10 ± 0.18
	4-Cl	4-Cl	6.00 ± 0.60	4.80 ± 0.23	1.25 ± 0.14
	4-MeO	4-MeO	16.7 ± 0.8	15.8 ± 1.2	1.06 ± 0.10
	4-MeO	H	25.9 ± 1.4	22.7 ± 2.1	1.14 ± 1.20
	4-MeO	4-Cl	53.7 ± 0.8	42.2 ± 0.1	1.27 ± 0.02
	H	4-Me	2.53 ± 0.11	2.33 ± 0.08	1.09 ± 0.04
	H	H	2.80 ± 0.05	2.51 ± 0.10	1.12 ± 0.05
	H	4-Cl	5.31 ± 0.20	4.54 ± 0.34	1.17 ± 0.10
2	4-Cl	4-Me	0.333 ± 0.020	0.308 ± 0.020	1.08 ± 0.10
	4-Cl	H	0.410 ± 0.010	0.370 ± 0.030	1.11 ± 0.10
	4-Cl	4-Cl	1.35 ± 0.10	1.10 ± 0.15	1.23 ± 0.20

^a Standard deviation.

Table S2. Activation parameters^a of the anilinolysis of (EtO)(YPhO)P(O)Cl (1), (EtO)(YPhO)P(S)Cl (2), (PhO)(YPhO)P(S)Cl (4), and (4-ClPhO)(YPhO)P(S)Cl (4') in acetonitrile at 55.0 °C

	X	Y	$k_2 \times 10^4 / \text{M}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}, (^\circ\text{C})$	ΔH^\ddagger^c	$-\Delta S^\ddagger^d$
1	4-MeO	H	159 (45.0), 182 (55.0), 216 (65.0)	2.7 ± 0.2^b	58 ± 1^b
	4-MeO	4-Cl	285 (45.0), 328 (55.0), 363 (65.0)	1.9 ± 0.2	60 ± 1
	4-Me	4-Me	43.4 (45.0), 57.0 (55.0), 71.4 (65.0)	4.7 ± 0.2	55 ± 1
	H	H	13.8 (45.0), 20.0 (55.0), 27.6 (65.0)	6.8 ± 0.2	51 ± 1
	H	4-Cl	25.6 (45.0), 37.4 (55.0), 54.8 (65.0)	7.5 ± 0.2	47 ± 1
	4-Cl	4-Cl	4.79 (45.0), 6.00 (55.0), 7.20 (65.0)	3.7 ± 0.2	62 ± 1
	3-Cl	H	1.29 (45.0), 1.60 (55.0), 2.01 (65.0)	4.1 ± 0.2	64 ± 1
2	4-MeO	H	19.2 (45.0), 25.9 (55.0), 33.4 (65.0)	5.0 ± 0.4	64 ± 1
	H	H	2.17 (45.0), 2.80 (55.0), 3.78 (65.0)	5.4 ± 0.4	59 ± 1
	3-Cl	H	0.226 (45.0), 0.240 (55.0), 0.377 (65.0)	5.4 ± 0.3	54 ± 1
4	4-MeO	4-MeO	6.40 (45.0), 7.61 (50.0), 9.20 (55.0)	7.0 ± 0.3	52 ± 1
	4-MeO	H	6.51 (45.0), 8.92 (50.0), 12.6 (55.0)	13.0 ± 0.3	32 ± 1
	H	H	0.690 (45.0), 0.823 (50.0), 1.01 (55.0)	7.7 ± 0.2	54 ± 1
	4-Me	4-Me	3.60 (45.0), 4.40 (55.0), 5.60 (65.0)	4.2 ± 0.2	61 ± 1
	4-Me	4-Cl	9.01 (45.0), 13.4 (55.0), 19.2 (65.0)	7.7 ± 0.2	49 ± 1
4'	H	H	1.00 (45.0), 1.48 (55.0), 2.01 (65.0)	6.9 ± 0.4	55 ± 1
	3-Cl	4-Cl	0.0573 (45.0), 0.0954 (55.0), 0.164 (65.0)	10.9 ± 0.2	48 ± 1

^a Calculated by Eyring equation. ^b Standard deviation. ^c kcal mol⁻¹. ^d cal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹.

Substrates

The substrates were prepared by the following one-step synthesis. ethyl dichlorophosphate (for **1**) and ethyl dichlorothiophosphate (for **2**) were treated with substituted phenols in the presence of triethylamine in methylene chloride for 2 h on ice. All the compounds were identified by TLC, IR, ¹H-NMR, ¹³C-NMR, ³¹P-NMR, GC-MS and elemental analysis. The physical constants after column chromatography (silica gel 60 (0.063-0.200 mm)/ethyl acetate + n-hexane) were as follows:

Ethyl 4-methoxyphenyl chlorophosphate. Yellowish Liquid; IR (neat) 3078 (C–H, aromatic), 2994 (CH₃), 2912 (CH₂), 1597, 1506, 1305, 1194 (P–O–C₆H₄), 1444 (CH₃O), 835 (P=O); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.17 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.37 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.78 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 1.45 (m, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 114.6, 114.7, 115.9, 121.2, 143.2, 157.4 (C=C, aromatic), 66.7 (CH₂), 55.6 (OCH₃), 15.8 (CH₃); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.68 (P=O, 1P, s); *m/z*, 250 (M⁺); Anal. Calcd. for C₉H₁₂O₄PCl: C, 43.1; H, 4.8. Found: C, 43.2; H, 5.0.

Ethyl 4-methylphenyl chlorophosphate.¹ Yellowish Liquid; IR (neat) 3039 (C–H, aromatic), 2990 (CH₃), 2926 (CH₂), 1607, 1509, 1394 (P–O–C₆H₄), 823 (P=O); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.12 (m, 4H, C₆H₄), 4.33–4.39 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.31 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.43 (m, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 115.0, 119.9, 129.7, 130.2, 135.7, 147.4 (C=C, aromatic), 66.6 (CH₂), 20.8 (CH₃), 15.8 (CH₃); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.20 (P=O, 1P, s); *m/z*, 250 (M⁺); Anal. Calcd. for C₉H₁₂O₃PCl: C, 46.1; H, 5.2. Found: C, 46.4; H, 5.5.

Ethyl phenyl chlorophosphate.^{1a,2} Liquid, Colourless; IR (neat) 3077 (C–H, aromatic), 2989 (CH₃), 2912 (CH₂), 1593, 1193 (P–O–C₆H₄), 793 (P=O); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.21–7.26 (m, 5H, C₆H₅), 4.39 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.38 (m, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 119.9, 125.2, 129.7, 150.5 (C=C, aromatic), 65.5 (CH₂), 16.1 (CH₃); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –12.40 (P=O, 1P, s); m/z, 220 (M⁺); Anal. Calcd. for C₈H₁₀O₃PCl: C, 43.6; H, 4.6. Found: C, 44.0; H, 4.7.

Ethyl 3-methoxyphenyl chlorophosphate.^{1b} Yellowish Liquid; IR (neat) 3080 (C–H, aromatic), 2988 (CH₃), 2912 (CH₂), 1608, 1592, 1492, 1193 (P–O–C₆H₄), 1450 (CH₃–O), 862 (P=O); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.23 (m, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.85 (m, 1H, C₆H₄), 6.77 (m, 2H, C₆H₄), 4.37 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.77 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 1.43 (m, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 106.3, 111.8, 112.2, 130.1, 150.4, 160.6 (C=C, aromatic), 66.7 (CH₂), 55.4 (OCH₃), 15.7 (CH₃); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.76 (P=O, 1P, s); m/z, 250 (M⁺); Anal. Calcd. for C₉H₁₂O₄PCl: C, 43.1; H, 4.8. Found: C, 43.1; H, 5.0.

Ethyl 4-chlorophenyl chlorophosphate.³ Yellowish Liquid; IR (neat) 3100 (C–H, aromatic), 2988 (CH₃), 2915 (CH₂), 1589, 1488, 1302, 1199 (P–O–C₆H₄), 835 (P=O); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34 (m, 2H, C₆H₄), 7.19 (m, 2H, C₆H₄), 4.40 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.47 (m, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 121.3, 129.7, 130.8, 148.8 (C=C, aromatic), 65.9 (CH₂), 16.1 (CH₃); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 5.00 (P=O, 1P, s); m/z, 254 (M⁺); Anal. Calcd. for C₈H₉O₃PCl₂: C, 37.7; H, 3.6. Found: C, 38.0; H, 3.9.

Ethyl 4-methoxyphenyl chlorothiophosphate.⁴ Liquid, Colourless; IR (neat) 3098 (C–H, aromatic), 2995 (CH₃), 2910 (CH₂), 1602, 1191 (P–O–C₆H₄), 1465 (CH₃O), 816 (P=S); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.16 (m, 2H, C₆H₄), 6.84–6.87 (m, 2H, C₆H₄), 4.38 (m, 2H, CH₂), 3.77 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 1.42–1.45 (m, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 114.5, 122.0, 143.6, 157.4 (C=C, aromatic), 66.8 (CH₂), 55.6 (OCH₃), 15.7 (CH₃); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 70.37 (P=S, 1P, s); m/z, 266 (M⁺); Anal. Calcd. for C₉H₁₂O₃PSCl: C, 40.5; H, 4.5; S, 12.0. Found: C, 40.7; H, 4.4; S, 11.9.

Ethyl 4-methylphenyl chlorothiophosphate.⁵ Liquid, Colourless; IR (neat) 3037 (C–H, aromatic), 2989 (CH₃), 2925 (CH₂), 1602, 1195 (P–O–C₆H₄), 825 (P=S); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.14–7.17 (m, 4H, C₆H₄), 4.38–4.44 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.34 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.45–1.48 (m, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 120.8, 130.1, 135.9, 148.0 (C=C, aromatic), 66.8 (CH₂), 20.9 (CH₃), 15.7 (CH₃); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 69.64 (P=S, 1P, s); m/z, 250 (M⁺); Anal. Calcd. for C₉H₁₂O₂PSCl: C, 43.1; H, 4.8; S, 12.8. Found: C, 43.5; H, 4.6; S, 12.7.

Ethyl phenyl chlorothiophosphate.⁶ Liquid, Colourless; IR (neat) 3072 (C–H, aromatic), 2989 (CH₃), 2908 (CH₂), 1592, 1194 (P–O–C₆H₄), 814 (P=S); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34–7.36 (m, 2H, C₆H₅), 7.23–7.26 (m, 3H, C₆H₅), 4.38–4.42 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.42–1.46 (m, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 121.1, 126.1, 129.6, 150.0 (C=C, aromatic), 66.8 (CH₂), 15.7 (CH₃); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 69.09 (P=S, 1P, s); m/z, 236 (M⁺); Anal. Calcd. for C₈H₁₀O₂PSCl: C, 40.6; H, 4.3; S, 13.6. Found: C, 41.0; H, 4.3; S, 14.0.

Ethyl 4-chlorophenyl chlorothiophosphate.^{4,5d} Liquid, Colourless; IR (neat) 3097 (C–H, aromatic), 2989 (CH₃), 2908 (CH₂), 1590, 1162 (P–O–C₆H₄), 835 (P=S); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.34–7.36 (m, 2H, C₆H₄), 7.21 (m, 2H, C₆H₄), 4.40–4.43 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.44–1.49 (m, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 122.5, 122.6, 129.7 (C=C, aromatic), 67.0 (CH₂), 15.7 (CH₃); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 69.10 (P=S, 1P, s); m/z, 270 (M⁺); Anal. Calcd. for C₈H₉O₂PSCl₂: C, 35.4; H, 3.4; S, 11.8. Found: C, 35.7; H, 3.4; S, 12.2.

Ethyl 4-cyanophenyl chlorothiophosphate.⁷ White solid; mp 42–44 °C; IR (neat) 3102 (C–H, aromatic), 2992 (CH₃), 2942 (CH₂), 2234 (C≡N), 1600, 1212 (P–O–C₆H₄), 850 (P=S); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70–7.72 (m, 2H, C₆H₄), 7.38–7.41 (m, 2H, C₆H₄), 4.38 (m, 2H, CH₂), 1.46–1.50 (m, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 117.8, 122.2, 133.9, 153.0 (C=C, aromatic), 110.2 (4-CN), 67.4 (CH₂), 15.7 (CH₃); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 67.60 (P=S, 1P, s); m/z, 261 (M⁺); Anal. Calcd. for C₉H₉O₂NPSCl: C, 41.3; H, 3.5; N, 5.4; S, 12.3. Found: C, 40.9; H, 3.5; N, 5.3; S, 12.7.

Product analysis. Ethyl 4-methylphenyl chlorophosphate was treated with excess aniline (for **1**) and ethyl 4-chlorophenyl chlorothiophosphate was treated with excess 4-methylaniline, for more than 15 half-lives at 55.0 °C in acetonitrile. The physical constants after column chromatography (silica gel/ethyl acetate + n-hexane) were:

(CH₃-CH₂O)(4-CH₃-C₆H₄O)P(=O)NH-C₆H₅.⁸ Yellowish Liquid; IR (neat) 3173 (NH), 3094 (C-H, aromatic), 2986 (CH₃), 2912 (CH₂), 1605, 1504, 1166 (P-O-C₆H₄), 826 (P=O); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.49 (m, 2H, C₆H₄), 7.26 (m, 7H, Ar), 6.46 (d, *J* = 9.6 Hz, 1H, NH), 4.38–4.51 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.49 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.57 (m, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 117.6, 120.1, 129.2, 129.9, 134.5, 139.2, 148.0 (C=C, aromatic), 63.4 (CH₂), 20.8 (CH₃), 16.2 (CH₃); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 3.39 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1P, P=O); *m/z*, 291 (M⁺); Anal. Calcd. for C₁₅H₁₈NO₃P: C, 61.9; H, 6.2; N, 4.8. Found: C, 61.5; H, 6.5; N, 5.1.

(CH₃-CH₂O)(4-Cl-C₆H₄O)P(=S)NH-(4-CH₃-C₆H₄). Brownish Liquid; IR (neat) 3269 (NH), 3030 (C-H, aromatic), 2985 (CH₃), 2920 (CH₂), 1617, 1515, 1163 (P-O-C₆H₄), 814 (P=S); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25 (m, 2H, C₆H₄), 7.06–7.11 (m, 4H, C₆H₄), 6.97 (m, 2H, C₆H₄), 5.38 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H, NH), 4.15–4.32 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.31 (s, 3H, CH₃), 1.38 (m, 3H, CH₃); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 118.0, 122.7, 129.4, 129.9, 130.6, 132.2, 136.3, 148.8 (C=C, aromatic), 64.0 (CH₂), 20.7 (CH₃), 15.8 (CH₃); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 67.0 (s, 1P, P=S); *m/z*, 341 (M⁺); Anal. Calcd. for C₁₅H₁₇NO₂PSCl: C, 52.7; H, 5.0; N, 4.1, S, 9.4. Found: C, 52.8; H, 5.2; N, 4.5, S, 9.0.

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Reactant - Ethyl phenyl chlorophosphate (1) (gas-phase)

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Reactant - 4-Nitrophenyl diphenylphosphinate (5) (gas-phase)

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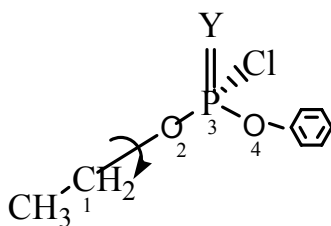
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Reactant - 4-Nitrophenyl dimethylphosphinate (7) (gas-phase)

N-N= 9.968329823284D+02 E-N=-4.364494510914D+03 KE= 1.005017513639D+03
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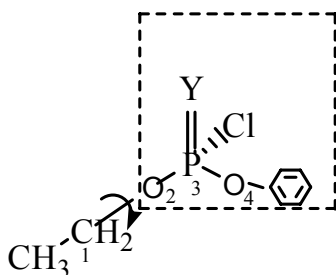
Table S3. Rotation barriers for $\angle 1234$ in kcal mol⁻¹ (calculated at the RHF/6-31G* level)



Y	O	S
Relative Torsional Angle ($\angle 1234$)		
0 ^{oa}	0.0	0.0
30°	0.1	0.5
60°	0.2	0.6
90°	0.4	0.2
120°	1.2	0.3
150°	3.1	2.6
180°	3.0	3.4
210°	1.1	1.9
240°	0.3	0.4
270°	1.4	1.1
300°	1.7	1.8
330°	0.7	0.8

^a Real torsional angle is 109.5° in the optimized structure.

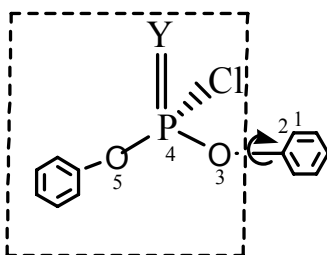
Table S4. Rotation barriers for $\angle 1234$ in kcal mol⁻¹^a (calculated at the RHF/6-31G* level)



Y	O	S
Relative Torsional Angle ($\angle 1234$)		
0 ^{ob}	0.0	0.0
30°	0.6	1.1
60°	0.4	1.2
90°	0.3	0.3
120°	2.7	1.1
150°	6.2	4.5
180°	5.5	5.6
210°	2.4	3.1
240°	1.7	1.2
270°	3.0	2.1
300°	2.7	2.6
330°	1.1	1.2

^a All geometrical parameters in dashed area are fixed at equilibrium geometries. ^b Real torsional angle is 109.5° in the optimized structure.

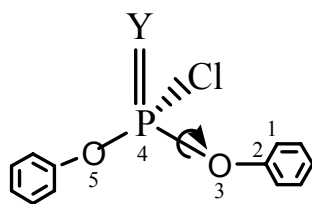
Table S5. Rotation barriers for $\angle 1234$ in kcal mol⁻¹^a (calculated at the RHF/6-31G* level)



Y	O	S
Relative Torsional Angle ($\angle 1234$)		
0° ^b	0.0	0.0
30°	0.6	1.0
60°	2.6	5.0
90°	4.4	11.3
120°	8.5	28.0
150°	18.8	45.4
180°	16.1	23.9
210°	8.2	8.9
240°	10.3	5.2
270°	6.1	5.0
300°	5.3	3.2
330°	2.0	0.7

^a All geometrical parameters in dashed area are fixed at equilibrium geometries. ^b Real torsional angle is 231.1° in the optimized structure.

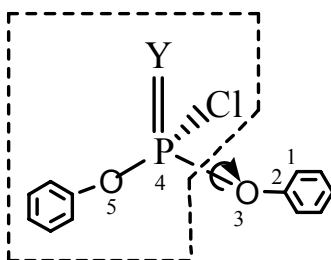
Table S6. Rotation barriers for $\angle 2345$ in kcal mol⁻¹ (calculated at the RHF/6-31G* level)



Y	O	S
Relative Torsional Angle ($\angle 2345$)		
0° ^a	0.0	0.0
60°	1.8	1.6
120°	0.2	0.2
180°	2.0	2.0
240°	0.7	2.1
300°	2.9	3.0

^a Real torsional angle is 183.2° in the optimized structure.

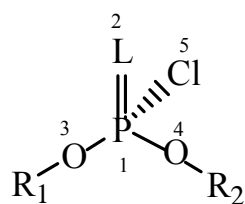
Table S7. Rotation barriers for $\angle 2345$ in kcal mol^{-1a} (calculated at the RHF/6-31G* level)



Y	O	S
Relative Torsional Angle($\angle 2345$)		
0 ^{ob}	0.0	0.0
30°	0.5	1.2
60°	1.2	2.2
90°	1.3	2.2
120°	0.9	1.6
150°	0.2	0.4
180°	0.4	0.9
210°	0.4	1.6
240°	1.2	2.2
270°	1.3	2.2
300°	0.9	1.5
330°	0.1	1.6

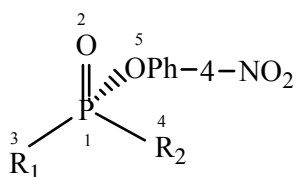
^a All geometrical parameters in dashed area are fixed at equilibrium geometries. ^b Real torsional angle is 183.2° in the optimized structure.

Table S8. Bond angles of 1, 2, 3, and 4 (calculated at the B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) level)



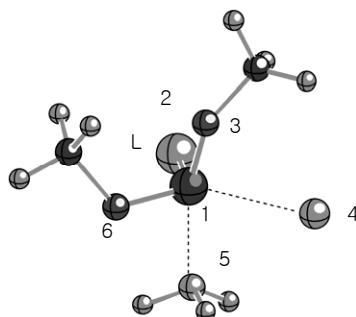
substrate	L	R ₁	R ₂	∠213	∠214	∠215	∠314	∠415	∠315
1	O	Et	Ph	118.1	116.0	114.1	101.2	104.3	100.9
2	S	Et	Ph	119.0	117.4	115.3	99.9	103.4	98.8
3	O	Ph	Ph	118.5	116.7	113.9	100.7	104.8	99.8
4	S	Ph	Ph	119.4	117.9	115.8	99.4	103.4	97.5

Table S9. Bond angles of 5, 6, and 7 (calculated at the B3LYP/6-311+G(d,p) level)



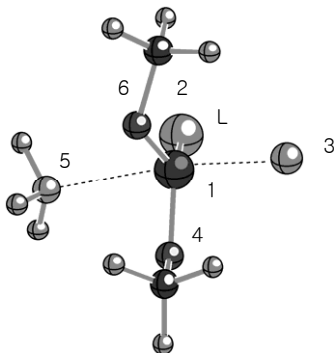
substrate	R ₁	R ₂	∠213	∠214	∠215	∠314	∠415	∠315
5	Ph	Ph	114.6	112.0	116.1	110.1	103.9	99.0
6	Ph	Me	114.4	114.0	115.7	108.9	120.8	99.7
7	Me	Me	115.7	113.9	115.3	108.5	103.3	98.4

Table S10. Bond angles of **9f and **10f** in acetonitrile (calculated at the CPCM–MP2/6–31+G* level)**



substrate	L	$\angle 216$	$\angle 214$	$\angle 614$	$\angle 312$	$\angle 314$	$\angle 316$	$\angle 512$	$\angle 514$	$\angle 516$
position		e,e	e,e	e,e	a,e	a,e	a,e	a,e	a,e	a,e
9f	O	119.0	103.6	135.0	112.4	84.1	92.1	100.6	76.4	81.8
10f	S	115.8	105.3	136.5	113.3	84.7	91.2	103.4	76.4	80.9

Table S11. Bond angles of 9b and 10b in acetonitrile (calculated at the CPCM–MP2/6–31+G* level)



substrate	L	$\angle 216$	$\angle 214$	$\angle 614$	$\angle 312$	$\angle 314$	$\angle 316$	$\angle 512$	$\angle 514$	$\angle 516$
position		e,e	e,e	e,e	a,e	a,e	a,e	a,e	a,e	a,e
9b	O	125.9	120.9	108.4	100.3	95.6	95.3	85.8	81.4	80.7
10b	S	125.4	119.4	109.3	103.0	95.0	95.5	88.0	79.6	77.4