## C-Hexaphenyl-substituted trianglamine as chiral solvating agent for carboxylic acids

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## **General information:**

NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian MR 400 (400 MHz) instrument at 25 °C using CDCl<sub>3</sub> as a solvent purchased from Sigma-Aldrich. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm relative to the solvent residual peak of CDCl<sub>3</sub> ( $\delta_{\rm H}$  7.27). Spectral assignments were obtained by analysis of chemical shifts and interpretation of <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, gradient COSY, adiabatic gradient HSQC, adiabatic gradient HMBC NMR spectra for a 1:2 solution of **1c** and racemic **3a** in CDCl<sub>3</sub>. Gradient COSY spectrum was acquired with 4 transient for 256 increments with a relaxation delay of 1 s; adiabatic gradient HSQC and HMBC were acquired with 4 transient for 1024 increments with a relaxation delay of 1 s and processed by weighting both dimensions with a square sine bell function. Bidimensional ROESY was acquired with a mixing time of 500 ms, a relaxation delay of 1 s by collecting 16 transients for each of 1024 increments and processed by weighting both dimensions with a square sine bell function. Selective 1D-ROESY spectra were acquired by irradiation of a 25 Hz band with a mixing time of 1 s and by collecting 11000 FIDs.



Figure 1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 1b



Figure 2. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 1c



Figure 3. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 6



**Figure 4.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of a 1:2 mixture of **1c** with *rac*-**3a**.



Figure 5. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of a 1:2 mixture of 1c with (R)-3a.



**Figure 6.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of a 1:2 mixture of 1c with (*S*)-3a.



Figure 7. <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of a 1:2 mixture of 1c with *rac*-3a.



Figure 8. Partially <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of a 1:2 mixture of 1c with *rac*-3a.



Figure 9. gCOSY spectra of a 1:2 mixture of 1c with *rac*-3a.

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Figure 10. Partially gCOSY spectra of a 1:2 mixture of 1c with *rac*-3a.

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Figure 11. gHSQC spectra of a 1:2 mixture of 1c with *rac*-3a.



Figure 12. Partially gHSQC spectra of a 1:2 mixture of 1c with *rac*-3a.



Figure 13. gHMBC spectra of a 1:2 mixture of 1c with *rac*-3a.



Figure 14. Partially gHMBC spectra of a 1:2 mixture of 1c with *rac-*3a.



Figure 15. ROESY spectra of a 1:2 mixture of 1c with rac-3a.



Figure 16. Partially ROESY spectra of a 1:2 mixture of 1c with *rac*-3a.



Figure 17. Partially 1D ROESY and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of a 1:2 mixture of 1c with (R)-3a.



Figure 18. Partially 1D ROESY and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of a 1:2 mixture of 1c with (S)-3a.

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**Figure 19.** ECD and UV spectra calculated for low-energy conformers of **1b** at the PCM/B2LYP/def2-TZVP level. Wavelength not corrected. Conformers are numbered in order of their appearance during conformational search.

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Figure 20. ECD and UV spectra calculated for low-energy conformers of 1c at the PCM/B2LYP/def2-SVP level. Wavelength not corrected. Conformers are numbered in order of their appearance during conformational search.

**Table 1**. Relative energies ( $\Delta E$ , in kcal mol<sup>-1</sup>), percentage populations and values of torsion angles calculated at the PCM/PBE0/6-31G\* level for low-energy conformers of trianglamines **1b**, **1c** and **1c×6H**<sup>+</sup>.

Conformer <sup>a</sup>	$\Delta E$	Population	Sequences of torsion angles
			βαα'β'
<b>1b</b> (1)	0.00	55	158.8; 163.0; 83.4; 69.4;
			-178.8; 171.5; 163.8; -171.3;
			-177.4; 173.0; 158.7; 168.8
<b>1b</b> (4)	1.98	2	172.2; 175.2; 160.3; 170.3;
			61.3. 78.6; 176.8; 87.2;
			173.5; 163.3; 174.0; 175.7
<b>1b</b> (7)	0.35	30	-177.0; 175.1; 158.1; 168.9;
			156.6; 162.4; 82.9; 70.4;
			-173.0; 164.4; 176.1; -179.3
<b>1b</b> (17)	0.96	11	-172.9; 168.9; 157.0; 170.1;
			156.6; 159.1; 79.4; 70.2;
			-173.2; 166.0; 173.9; 179.1
<b>1b</b> (28)	2.00	2	175.4; 165.6; 168.4; -173.1;
			175.8; 173.2; 161.3; 170.8;
			61.0; 76.5; 178.0; 81.4
<b>1c</b> (10)	0.00	33	169.7; 176.8; 153.1; 172.1;
			-179.0; 168.7; 158.2; 169.7;
			177.6; 164.3; 167.6; 171.3
<b>1c</b> (15)	0.64	11	178.8; 154.4; 177.5; 170.2;
			171.2; 161.5; 165.9; 171.4;
			170.9; 175.7; 155.5; 177.6
<b>1c</b> (17)	0.10	29	-178.7; 166.7; 159.4; 168.6;
			179.4; 165.6; 163.9; 169.3;
			170.2; 178.1; 154.3; 173.7
<b>1c</b> (32)	1.20	4	-179.4; 162.1; 170.4; 173.5;
			167.9. 169.2; 168.0; 178.6;
			168.8; 175.1; 155.8; 176.8
<b>1c</b> (82)	0.59	12	178.6; 165.7; 160.0; 170.6;

			178.0; 165.0; 161.0; 171.0;
			178.0; 165.6; 160.2; 170.7
<b>1c</b> (111)	0.63	11	178.3; 165.7; 160.1; 170.6;
			178.0; 165.1; 160.0; 170.8;
			178.1; 165.2; 160.0; 170.9
1c×6H <sup>+</sup>	-	~100	179.7; 138.0. 134.6; -177.3;
			179.7; 138.0. 134.6; -177.3;
			179.7; 138.0. 134.6; –177.3

[a] Conformers are numbered in order of their appearance during conformational search.