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Chiral ionic liquid-mediated photochirogenesis. Enantiodifferentiating

photocyclodimerization of 2-anthracenecarboxylic acid

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Fig. S1 (a) ¹H and (b) ¹³C NMR spectra of [(R)-GLYMI][AcO] in DMSO-*d*₆ at room temperature.



Fig. S2 UV/vis (top) and CD (bottom) spectra of a dichloromethane solution of 0.1 mM AC-H upon addition of (*R*)-(–)-1,2-propanediol (0, 0.05, 0.10, 0.20, 0.80 mM; from red to blue) at 25 °C, measured in a 1-mm cell. Inset: magnification of the ${}^{1}L_{a}$ and ${}^{1}L_{b}$ band region measured in a 10-mm cell.



Fig. S3 (a) Typical chiral HPLC (the tandem column system: see Instruments section) chromatogram of the dichloromethane solutions of AC-H photoirradiated in the absence (top) and presence (bottom) of [(R)-GLYMI][AcO] at -90 °C. (b) HPLC chromatogram (column: ODS) of the separated cyclodimers **1-4**. (c) HPLC chromatogram (column: OJ-RH) of the separated enantiomerically pure cyclodimers **2** and **3**.



Fig. S4 ¹H NMR spectrum of cyclodimer **1** in a 1:1 mixture of D_2O and DMSO- d_6 at room temperature.



Fig. S5 ¹H NMR spectrum of cyclodimer 2 in a 1:1 mixture of D_2O and DMSO- d_6 at room temperature.



Fig. S6 ¹H NMR spectrum of cyclodimer **3** in a 1:1 mixture of D₂O and DMSO- d_6 at room temperature.



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Fig. S8 UV spectra of cyclodimer 1 (black), 2 (red), 3 (blue) and 4 (light blue), normalized at 260 nm, in MeOH.



Fig. S9 CD spectra for 2+ (solid line), 2- (dotted line) in MeOH.



Fig. S10 CD spectra for 3+ (solid line), 3- (dotted line) in MeOH.