#### **Supporting Information-I**

## Direct Catalytic Asymmetric Synthesis of Highly Functionalized (2-Ethynylphenyl)alcohols *via* Barbas-List Aldol Reaction: Scope and Synthetic Applications

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General Methods: The <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz and 100 MHz, respectively. The chemical shifts are reported in ppm downfield to TMS ( $\delta = 0$ ) for <sup>1</sup>H NMR and relative to the central CDCl<sub>3</sub> resonance ( $\delta = 77.0$ ) for <sup>13</sup>C NMR. In the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra, the nature of the carbons (C, CH, CH<sub>2</sub> or CH<sub>3</sub>) was determined by recording the DEPT-135 experiment, and is given in parentheses. The coupling constants J are given in Hz. Column chromatography was performed using Acme's silica gel (particle size 0.063-0.200 mm). High-resolution mass spectra were recorded on micromass ESI-TOF MS. GCMS mass spectrometry was performed on Shimadzu GCMS-QP2010 mass spectrometer. IR spectra were recorded on JASCO FT/IR-5300. Elemental analyses were recorded on a Thermo Finnigan Flash EA 1112 analyzer. Mass spectra were recorded on either VG7070H mass spectrometer using EI technique or Shimadzu-LCMS-2010 A mass spectrometer. The X-ray diffraction measurements were carried out at 298 K on an automated Enraf-Nonious MACH 3 diffractometer using graphite monochromated, Mo-K $\alpha$  ( $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å) radiation with CAD4 software or the X-ray intensity data were measured at 298 K on a Bruker SMART APEX CCD area detector system equipped with a graphite monochromator and a Mo-K $\alpha$  fine-focus sealed tube ( $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å). For thin-layer chromatography (TLC), silica gel plates Merck 60 F254

were used and compounds were visualized by irradiation with UV light and/or by treatment with a solution of p-anisaldehyde (23 mL), conc.  $H_2SO_4$  (35 mL), acetic acid (10 mL), and ethanol (900 mL) followed by heating.

The enantiomeric excess (*ee*) of the *BLA* products was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralcel OD-H, Chiralcel OJ-H, Chiralpak AD-H, Chiralpak AS-H or Lux 5u Amylose-2 columns and hexane/2-propanol as the eluent. Retention times and solvent ratios are indicated in the respective entries.

Materials: All solvents and commercially available chemicals were used as received.

#### General Experimental Procedures for the Asymmetric *BLA* Reactions:

Prolinamide 3 catalyzed BLA reaction of 2-alkynylbenzaldehydes 1 with ketone 2 (Method A): In a 10 mL round bottomed flask equipped with a magnetic stirring bar, to the prolinamide catalyst 3h or 3i (10 mol%) was added PhCO<sub>2</sub>H (10 mol%). The flask was cooled to -35 °C and then ketone 2 (1 ml, 0.3 M) was added to it. After stirring the reaction mixture at -35 °C for 0.5 h, 2-ethynylbenzaldehyde 1 (0.3 mmol) was added to it and stirring was continued at the same temperature for 24–60 h. The crude reaction mixture was worked up with aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (2 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated. Pure BLA products 5 and double-aldol addition products 6 were obtained by column chromatography (silica gel, mixture of hexane/ethylacetate).

**trans-4-OH-L-Proline catalyzed BLA reaction of 2-alkynylbenzaldehydes with ketones (Method B):** In an ordinary glass vial equipped with a magnetic stirring bar, to 0.3 mmol of 2-ethynylbenzaldehyde **1** was added 2.4 mL of solvent, followed by the addition of the catalyst *trans-4-OH-L-*proline **3d** (0.06 mmol, 20 mol%, 6.9 mg). After stirring the reaction mixture at 25 °C for 2–3 min, ketone **2** was added and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at the same temperature for 24–72 h. The crude reaction mixture was worked up with aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution and the aqueous layer was

extracted with ethyl acetate (2 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated. Pure BLA products **5** were obtained by column chromatography (silica gel, mixture of hexane/ethyl acetate).

CuSO<sub>4</sub>/Na-(+)-Ascorbate-Catalyzed Click Reaction (Method C): Compound 5aa (0.3 mmol) and aryl azide 7 (0.5 equiv.) was dissolved in t-BuOH/H<sub>2</sub>O (2 mL, 1:1 ratio) in a 10 mL round bottomed flask equipped with a magnetic stirring bar, to that 40 mol% of CuSO<sub>4</sub>, 20 mol% of Na-(+)-Ascorbate were added and the reaction mixture was stirred at the room temperature for 8-12 h. The crude reaction mixture was worked up with aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (2 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated. Pure click products 10 were obtained by column chromatography (silica gel, mixture of hexane/ethyl acetate).

CuSO₄/Cu-Catalyzed Click Reaction (Method D): Compound 6aa (0.3 mmol) and aryl azide 7b (0.6 mmol) was dissolved in EtOH (2 mL) in a 10 mL round bottomed flask equipped with a magnetic stirring bar, to that 1.0 equiv. of CuSO₄, 5 mol% of Cu powder were added and the reaction mixture was stirred at the room temperature for 12 h. The crude reaction mixture was worked up with H₂O and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (2 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered and concentrated. Pure cyclic click product 9aab was obtained by column chromatography (silica gel, mixture of hexane/ethyl acetate).

General Procedure for the Reduction of BLA Products 5 (Method E): In a 10 mL round bottomed flask equipped with a magnetic stirring bar, compound 5aa-5bf (0.2 mmol) was dissolved in dry MeOH (0.25 M) and then cooled to ice salt temperature, NaBH<sub>4</sub> (2 equiv.) was added to it under nitrogen atmosphere. After stirring the reaction mixture at same temperature for 0.5 h, the crude reaction mixture was worked up with aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (2 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated. Pure products 10 were obtained by column chromatography (silica gel, mixture of hexane/ethyl acetate).

Lewis acid Mediated *syn*-Selective *Reduction of BLA Products 5* (Method F): In a 10 mL round bottomed flask equipped with a magnetic stirring bar, compound 5aa-5bf (0.2 mmol) was dissolved in dry THF: MeOH (4:1, 0.2 M) and then cooled to -75 °C temperature, BEt<sub>2</sub>(OMe) (1.1 equiv.), and NaBH<sub>4</sub> (1.1 equiv.) was added to it under nitrogen atmosphere. After stirring the reaction mixture at same temperature for 4 h, the crude reaction mixture was worked up with aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (2 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated. Pure products *syn*-10 was obtained by column chromatography (silica gel, mixture of hexane/ethyl acetate).

Double Protection of BLA-Reduction Product syn-10af (Method G): In a 10 mL round bottomed flask compound syn-10af (189 mg, 0.3 mmol) was dissolved in 1 mL of dry DCM, to that 2.0 equiv. of 3,5-dinitrobenzoyl chloride and 2.0 equiv. of DMAP were added. After stirring the reaction mixture at 25 °C for 12 h, the crude reaction mixture was worked up with aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution and the aqueous layer was extracted with DCM (2 x 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>), filtered and concentrated. Pure product 11af was obtained by column chromatography (silica gel, mixture of hexane/ethyl acetate).

OH OH OH ArCOCI (2 equiv.)

[Ar = 3,5-(NO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>]

DMAP (2 equiv.)

DCM (0.3 M)

(1S, 2S, 4R, 1'S)-10af
96% ee and 90% 
$$de$$
 $de$ 

ArCOCI (2 equiv.)

Ar

O
Ar

(1S, 2S, 4R, 1'S)-11af
96% ee and 99%  $de$ 

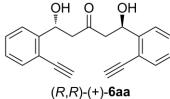
**Scheme S1**: Double protection on BLA-reduction product syn-10af.

(*R*)-4-(2-Ethynylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-butan-2-one (5aa): Prepared following the Method-A; and purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel

Chiralcel OD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 92:8, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R$  = 8.56 min (minor),  $t_R$  = 9.71 min (major). [ $\alpha$ ] $_0^{25}$  = +62.1° (c = 0.27 g/100 mL, CHCl $_3$ , 93% ee); IR (Neat):  $\nu_{max}$  3448, 3286 (O-H), 2925, 1709 (C=O), 1447, 1362, 1264, 1165, 1105, 1065, 763, 666, 651 and 625 cm $^{-1}$ ; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl $_3$ )  $\delta$  7.58 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.46 (1H, dd, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz), 7.37 (1H, dt, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz), 7.22 (1H, dt, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz)[Ar-H]; 5.57 (1H, dd, J = 9.6, 2.0 Hz, CHOH), 3.61 (1H, br s, OH), 3.34 (1H, s, C=CH), 3.00 (1H, dd, J = 17.2, 2.4 Hz, COCH $_2$ ), 2.72 (1H, dd, J = 17.6, 9.6 Hz, COCH $_2$ ), 2.19 (3H, s, COCH $_3$ ); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl $_3$ , DEPT-135)  $\delta$  209.1 (C, C=O), 145.1 (C), 132.7 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 127.1 (CH), 125.2 (CH), 118.8 (C), 82.6 (CH, Ar-C=CH), 81.0 (C, Ar-C=CH), 67.6 (CH, CHOH), 50.8 (CH $_2$ , COCH $_2$ ), 30.4 (CH $_3$ , COCH $_3$ ); LRMS m/z 189.10 (M+1), calcd. for C $_{12}$ H $_{12}$ O $_{2}$  188.0837; Anal. calcd. for C $_{12}$ H $_{12}$ O $_{2}$  (188.0837); C, 76.57; H, 6.43. Found: C, 76.48; H, 6.51%.

OH O (S)-5aa (S)-4-(2-Ethynylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-butan-2-one (5aa): Prepared following the Method-A; and purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel

Chiralcel OD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 92:8, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_{\rm R} = 8.56$  min (major),  $t_{\rm R} = 9.71$  min (minor). [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = -56.2° (c = 0.42 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 95% ee); IR (Neat):  $\nu_{\rm max}$  3448, 3286 (O-H), 2925, 1709 (C=O), 1447, 1362, 1264, 1165, 1105, 1065, 763, 666, 651 and 625 cm<sup>-1</sup>.



(*R*,*R*)-1,5-Bis-(2-ethynylphenyl)-1,5-dihydroxy-pentan-3-one (6aa): Prepared following Method-A, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as gummy liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was

determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralcel OD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 92:8, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R$  = 20.10 min (minor),  $t_{\rm R} = 22.95 \text{ min (major)}$ .  $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{25} = +122.0^{\circ} (c = 0.81 \text{ g/}100 \text{ mL}, \text{CHCl}_3, >99\% \text{ ee})$ ; IR (Neat):  $v_{\text{max}}$  3285 (O-H), 1708 (C=O), 1479, 1363, 1316, 1204, 1105, 1059, 763, 685, 650 and 612 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.59 (2H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.47 (2H, d, J = 7.2Hz), 7.39 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.24 (2H, t, J = 7.6 Hz)[Ar-H]; 5.64 (2H, d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2 x CHOH), 3.42 (2H, br s, 2 x OH), 3.34 (2H, s, 2 x C $\equiv$ CH), 3.02 (2H, dd, J = 16.8, 2.0 Hz, 2 x COC $H_2$ ), 2.82 (2H, dd, J = 17.2, 10.0 Hz, 2 x COC $H_2$ ); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135) δ 211.0 (C, C=O), 145.0 (2 x C), 132.9 (2 x CH), 129.4 (2 x CH), 127.3 (2 x CH), 125.2 (2 x CH), 118.9 (2 x C), 82.9 (2 x CH, 2 x Ar-C $\equiv$ CH), 81.0 (2 x C, 2 x Ar-C≡CH), 67.8 (2 x CH, 2 x CHOH), 50.6 (2 x CH<sub>2</sub>, 2 x COCH<sub>2</sub>); LRMS m/z 317.00  $(M^+-1)$ , calcd. for  $C_{21}H_{18}O_3$  318.1256; Anal. calcd. for  $C_{21}H_{18}O_3$  (318.1256); C, 79.22; H, 5.70. Found: C, 79.32; H, 5.65%.

(S,S)-1,5-Bis-(2-ethynylphenyl)-1,5-dihydroxy-pentan-**3-one** (6aa): Prepared following Method-A, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as gummy liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a

Daicel Chiralcel OD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 92:8, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R = 20.10$  min (major),  $t_R = 22.95$  min (minor).  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -112.4^\circ$  (c = 0.27g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, >99% ee); IR (Neat):  $v_{max}$  3285 (O-H), 1708 (C=O), 1479, 1363, 1316, 1204, 1105, 1059, 763, 685, 650 and 612 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

(R)-1-(2-Ethynylphenyl)-1-hydroxy-pentan-3-one (5ab): Prepared following the Method-A; purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 94:6, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_{\rm R} = 9.22 \text{ min (major)}, t_{\rm R} = 10.44 \text{ min (minor)}. \ [\alpha]_{\rm D}^{25} = +109.7^{\circ} \ (c = 0.43 \text{ g/}100 \text{ mL},$  CHCl<sub>3</sub>, **99%** *ee*); IR (Neat):  $v_{max}$  3449, 3291 (O-H), 3069, 2978, 2939, 2102, 1712 (*C*=O), 1448, 1408, 1373, 1311, 1203, 1113, 1070 and 761 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.59 (1H, br dd, J = 8.0, 0.5 Hz), 7.47 (1H, dd, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz), 7.39 (1H, dt, J = 7.6, 1.3 Hz), 7.23 (1H, dt, J = 7.5, 1.3 Hz)[Ar-*H*]; 5.58 (1H, d, J = 9.2 Hz, C*H*OH), 3.63 (1H, br s, O*H*), 3.33 (1H, s, Ar-C=C*H*), 3.00 (1H, dd, J = 17.4, 2.0 Hz, COC*H*<sub>2</sub>), 2.69 (1H, dd, J = 17.6, 10.0 Hz, COC*H*<sub>2</sub>), 2.56–2.40 (2H, m, COC*H*<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.08 (3H, t, J = 7.3 Hz, COCH<sub>2</sub>C*H*<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  212.2 (C, *C*=O), 145.2 (C), 132.8 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 127.1 (CH), 125.2 (CH), 118.8 (C), 82.6 (CH, Ar-C=*C*H), 81.1 (C, Ar-*C*=CH), 67.9 (CH, *C*HOH), 49.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>, COCH<sub>2</sub>), 36.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>, COCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 7.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>, COCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>); LRMS m/z 203.00 (M+1), calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 202.0994; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (202.0994); C, 77.20, H, 6.98; Found: C, 77.35; H, 6.87%.

#### (3S,4R)-4-(2-Ethynylphenyl)-4-hydroxy-3-methyl-butan-2-one (5'ab): Prepared

OH O

following Method-A, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 94:6, flow rate 1.0

mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R$  = 10.91 min (major),  $t_R$  = 12.43 min (minor). [ $\alpha$ ] $_0^{25}$  = +30.9° (c = 0.13 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, >99% ee and >99% de); IR (Neat):  $v_{max}$  3430, 3295 (O-H), 3065, 2975, 2934, 2104, 1707 (C=O), 1481, 1456, 1360, 1242, 1170, 1100, 1051, 1019, 955, 912, 833 and 764 cm $^{-1}$ ; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.49 (1H, dd, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz), 7.47–7.45 (1H, m), 7.39 (1H, dt, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz), 7.25 (1H, dt, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz)[Ar-H]; 5.29 (1H, dd, J = 7.2, 3.4 Hz, CHOH), 3.35 (1H, s, Ar-C=CH), 3.30 (1H, br s, OH), 3.09 (1H, quintet, J = 7.6 Hz, COCHCH<sub>3</sub>), 2.16 (3H, s, COCH3), 1.06 (3H, d, J = 7.2 Hz, COCH3); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  213.6 (C, C=O), 144.4 (C), 132.9 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 126.2 (CH), 120.3 (C), 82.4 (CH, Ar-C=CH), 81.5 (C, Ar-C=CH0, 73.7 (CH, CHOH), 53.0 (CH, COCCHCH<sub>3</sub>), 30.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, COCCH<sub>3</sub>), 14.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>, COCCHCH<sub>3</sub>); LRMS m/z 203.05 (M+1), calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 202.0994; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (202.0994); C, 77.20, H, 6.98; Found: C, 77.38; H, 7.05%.

(3S,4R)-4-(2-Ethynylphenyl)-3,4-dihydroxy-butan-2-one Prepared following Method-B, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess

(ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel

Chiralpak AD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 94:6, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_{\rm R}(syn) = 18.46 \, {\rm min \, (major)}, \, t_{\rm R}(syn) = 23.66 \, {\rm min \, (minor)}; \, t_{\rm R}(anti) = 26.86 \, {\rm min \, (major)},$  $t_{\rm R}(anti) = 29.22 \text{ min (minor)}$ .  $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{25} = +72.1^{\circ} (c = 0.47 \text{ g/}100 \text{ mL, CHCl}_3, 93\% \text{ ee for }$ major anti-isomer and 26% ee for minor syn-isomer; and 50% de); IR (Neat): v<sub>max</sub> 3418, 3283 (O-H), 3067, 2926, 2099, 1960, 1715 (C=O), 1622, 1399, 1360, 1254, 1096, 1053 and 762 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 3:1 mixture of anti:syn diastereomers) δ 7.59 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.54-7.50 (3H, m), 7.44-7.38 (2H, m), 7.31-7.26 (2H, m)[Ar-H];5.60 (1H, s, ArCHOH), 5.42 (1H, d, J = 4.0 Hz, ArCHOH), 4.75 (1H, d, J = 3.2 Hz, COCHOH), 4.52 (1H, s, COCHOH), 3.89 (1H, br s, OH), 3.74 (1H, br. s, OH), 3.45 (1H, s, Ar-C $\equiv$ CH), 3.42 (1H, s, Ar-C $\equiv$ CH), 3.16 (1H, br s, OH), 3.00 (1H, br s, OH), 2.37 (3H, s,  $COCH_3$ ), 1.88 (3H, s,  $COCH_3$ ); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135, 3:1 mixture of anti:syn diastereomers) δ 208.1 (C, C=O), 207.4 (C, C=O), 142.8 (C), 141.3 (C), 133.2 (CH), 132.9 (CH), 129.3 (2 x CH), 127.9 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 126.3 (CH), 126.0 (CH), 119.9 (C), 119.0 (C), 83.3 (CH, Ar-C $\equiv$ CH), 83.2 (CH, Ar-C $\equiv$ CH), 81.5 (C, Ar- $C \equiv CH$ ), 81.1 (C, Ar- $C \equiv CH$ ), 79.7 (CH, ArC + CHOH), 79.4 (CH, ArC + CHOH), 73.2 (CH, COCHOH), 71.1 (CH, COCHOH), 27.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>, COCH<sub>3</sub>), 25.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>, COCH<sub>3</sub>); LRMS m/z 205.20 (M+1), calcd. for  $C_{12}H_{12}O_3$  204.0786; Anal. calcd. for  $C_{12}H_{12}O_3$ (204.0786); C, 70.57, H, 5.92; Found: C, 70.42; H, 5.85%.

(R)-4-(2-Ethynylphenyl)-1,4-dihydroxy-butan-2-one (5ac):

Prepared following Method-A, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda = 254 \text{ nm}$ ),  $t_R = 16.11 \text{ min (major)}$ ,  $t_R = 19.56 \text{ min (minor)}$ .  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +35.2^{\circ}$  (c = 0.18

g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 90% ee); IR (Neat):  $v_{max}$  3397 (O-H), 3283, 3073, 2926, 2859, 1715

(C=O), 1622, 1449, 1389, 1263, 1161, 1069 and 762 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.56 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.47 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.40 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.24 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz) [Ar-H]; 5.62 (1H, dd, J = 9.6, 2.4 Hz), 4.28 (2H, ABq, J = 19.2 Hz), 3.38 (1H, s, Ar-C=CH), 3.40-3.20 (2H, br s, 2 x OH), 2.90 (1H, dd, J = 16.4, 2.8 Hz), 2.76 (1H, dd, J = 16.4, 9.6 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  209.3 (C, C=O), 144.9 (C), 133.0 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 125.1 (CH), 118.9 (C), 83.1 (CH, Ar-C=CCH), 80.9 (C, Ar-C=CCH), 68.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>, COCH<sub>2</sub>OH), 67.9 (CH, ArCHOH), 46.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>, COCH<sub>2</sub>); LRMS m/z 205.20 (M+1), calcd. for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 204.0786; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (204.0786); C, 70.57, H, 5.92; Found: C, 70.45; H, 5.86%.

#### (2S,1'R)-2-[(2-Ethynylphenyl)-hydroxymethyl]-cyclohexanone (anti-5ad): Prepared

OH O

following Method-A, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralect OD II solven (hexane/2 graphy).

anti–**5ad** Chiralcel OD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 92:8, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R$  = 8.42 min (major),  $t_R$  = 9.87 min (minor). [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>0</sub><sup>25</sup> = +41.6° (c = 0.14 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, **96%** ee); IR (Neat):  $v_{max}$  3520, 3442, 3285 (O-H), 2940, 2868, 1694 (C=O), 1445, 1409, 1311, 1230, 1128, 1037, 1017, 763, 652 and 625 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.52 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.47 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.39 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.24 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz)[Ar-H]; 5.39 (1H, d, J = 8.4 Hz, CHOH), 4.04 (1H, br s, OH), 3.27 (1H, s, Ar-C=CH), 2.73–2.66 (1H, m), 2.46 (1H, d, J = 13.2 Hz), 2.34 (1H, dt, J = 13.2, 6.0 Hz), 2.09–2.04 (1H, m), 1.82–1.79 (1H, m), 1.74–1.66 (1H, m), 1.61–1.51 (3H, m); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  215.4 (C, C=O), 143.7 (C), 132.5 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 127.3 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 120.9 (C), 81.8 (CH, Ar-C=CH), 81.7 (C, Ar-C=CH), 71.6 (CH, CHOH), 57.7 (CH, COCH-), 42.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 30.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 24.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>); LRMS m/z 228.20 (M<sup>+</sup>), calcd. for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 228.1150; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (228.1150); C, 78.92, H, 7.06; Found: C, 78.81; H, 7.15%.

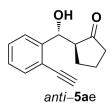
#### (2R,1'R)-2-[(2-Ethynylphenyl)-hydroxymethyl]-cyclohexanone (syn-5ad): Prepared

OH O

following Method-A, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralnak AS-H column (hexane/2-propagal = 94:6, flow rate 1.0)

Syn-5ad Chiralpak AS-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 94:6, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R$  = 10.65 min (minor),  $t_R$  = 11.98 min (major). [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = +108.8° (c = 0.06 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 91% ee); IR (Neat):  $v_{max}$  3459, 3291 (O-H), 3061, 2940, 2866, 1703 (C=O), 1605, 1449, 1308, 1235, 1130, 1065, 1032, 978, 887 and 762 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.55 (1H, d, J = 7.8 Hz), 7.46 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.37 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.22 (1H, t, J = 7.5 Hz)[Ar-H]; 5.80 (1H, br s, CHOH), 3.29 (1H, s, Ar-C=CCH), 3.19 (1H, br s, OH), 2.88 (1H, dd, J = 12.6, 5.2 Hz), 2.47–2.35 (2H, m), 2.10–2.04 (1H, m), 1.84–1.49 (5H, m); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135) δ 214.8 (C, C=O), 143.8 (C), 132.7 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 126.7 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 118.5 (C), 82.6 (CH, Ar-C=CCH), 81.2 (C, Ar-C=CCH), 68.7 (CH, CHOH), 54.6 (CH, COCH), 42.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 25.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 24.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>); LRMS m/z 228.70 (M+1), calcd. for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 228.1150; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (228.1150); C, 78.92, H, 7.06; Found: C, 78.82; H, 6.95%.

#### (2S,1'R)-2-[(2-Ethynylphenyl)-hydroxymethyl]-cyclopentanone (anti-5ae):



Prepared following Method-A, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate 1.0)

mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R$  = 10.51 min (major),  $t_R$  = 12.42 min (minor). [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = -23.8° (c = 0.71g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 95% ee); IR (Neat):  $\nu_{max}$  3281 (O-H), 3065, 2967, 2882, 2102, 1937, 1728 (C=O), 1622, 1402, 1159, 1026, 841 and 766 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.56 (1H, dd, J = 8.0, 0.8 Hz), 7.48 (1H, dd, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz), 7.41 (1H, dt, J = 8.0, 1.2 Hz), 7.25 (1H, dt, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz)[Ar-H]; 5.33 (1H, d, J = 9.6 Hz, CHOH), 4.58 (1H, br s, OH), 3.27 (1H, s, Ar-C=CH), 2.50–2.40 (2H, m), 2.36–2.26 (1H, m), 2.05–1.95 (1H, m), 1.80–1.65 (3H, m); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  223.2 (C, C=O), 143.8 (C),

132.8 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 120.4 (C), 81.9 (C, Ar-C=CH), 81.8 (CH, Ar-C=CH), 71.8 (CH, CHOH), 55.7 (CH), 38.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 20.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>); LRMS m/z 213.10 (M-1), calcd. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 214.0994; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (214.0994); C, 78.48, H, 6.59; Found: C, 78.32; H, 6.65%.

#### (2R,1'R)-2-[(2-Ethynylphenyl)-hydroxymethyl]-cyclopentanone (syn-5ae): Prepared

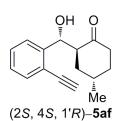
OH O

following Method-B, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralnak AS-H column (hexane/2-propagal = 90:10, flow rate 1.0)

syn-5ae Chiralpak AS-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R$  = 11.52 min. ,  $t_R$  = 14.61 min., **0%** *ee*; IR (Neat):  $v_{max}$  3443, 3291 (O-H), 3065, 2965, 2882, 1736 (C=O), 1622, 1478, 1449, 1402, 1337, 1269, 1204, 1157, 1107, 1026, 968, 883, 841 and 762 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.57 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.47 (1H, dd, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz), 7.39 (1H, dt, J = 7.6, 0.8 Hz), 7.24 (1H, dt, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz)[Ar-H]; 5.78 (1H, s, CHOH), 3.36 (1H, s, Ar-C=CH), 2.77–2.72 (1H, m), 2.41–2.33 (2H, m), 2.20–2.10 (1H, m), 2.03–1.95 (2H, m), 1.76–1.65 (2H, m); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135) δ 220.1 (C, C=O), 145.0 (C), 132.7 (CH), 129.0 (CH), 127.0 (CH), 125.5 (CH), 118.8 (C), 83.0 (CH, Ar-C=CCH), 80.9 (C, Ar-C=CCH), 69.2 (CH, CCHOH), 54.3 (CH), 39.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 20.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>); LRMS m/z 213.10 (M-1), calcd. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 214.0994; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (214.0994); C, 78.48, H, 6.59; Found: C, 78.36; H, 6.51%.

#### (2S,4S,1'R)-2-[(2-Ethynylphenyl)-hydroxymethyl]-4-methyl-cyclohexanone

[(2S,4S,1'R)-5af]: Prepared following Method-A, purified by column chromatography



using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as a yellow liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 96:4, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_{\rm R}$  = 17.37 min (minor),  $t_{\rm R}$  = 18.55 min (major). [ $\alpha$ ] $_{\rm D}^{25}$  = -8.1° (c = 0.15 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, >99%

de and 96% ee); IR (Neat):  $v_{\text{max}}$  3443, 3267 (O-H), 2961, 2876, 2830, 1708 (C=O),

1452, 1379, 1327, 1187, 1125, 1099, 1038, 951 and 763 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.51–7.47 (2H, m), 7.39 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.27–7.23 (1H, m)[Ar-H]; 5.40 (1H, d, J = 8.4 Hz, CHOH), 3.71 (1H, br s, OH), 3.30 (1H, s, Ar-C=CH), 2.86 (1H, dd, J = 8.8, 2.8 Hz), 2.53–2.40 (2H, m), 2.17–2.10 (1H, m), 2.00–1.92 (1H, m), 1.76–1.64 (2H, m), 1.40–1.34 (1H, m), 1.01 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz, C $H_3$ ); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  215.3 (C, C=O), 144.0 (C), 132.7 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 120.7 (C), 81.9 (CH, Ar-C=CH), 81.7 (C, Ar-C=CH), 72.0 (CH, CHOH), 54.0 (CH), 38.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 36.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 33.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.9 (CH), 18.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>); LRMS m/z 243.10 (M+1), calcd. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 242.1307; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (242.1307); C, 79.31, H, 7.49; Found: C, 79.45; H, 7.41%.

#### (2R,4R)-2-((S)-(2-ethynylphenyl)(hydroxy)methyl)-4-methylcyclohexanone (5af):

Prepared following Method-A, purified by column chromatography OH O using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralpak OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 96:4, flow rate 1.0 (2R, 4R, 1'S)-**5af** mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R$  = 15.38 min (major),  $t_R$  = 16.96 min (minor).  $\left[\alpha\right]_{0}^{25} = +3.3^{\circ}$  (c = 0.67 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, >99% de and 96% ee); IR (Neat):  $\lambda_{max}$  3499 (O-H), 2951, 1707 (C=O), 1493, 1443, 1035, 757, 664 and 647 cm  $^{-1};\ ^{1}H$ NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.47 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.46 (1H, d, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.36 (1H, t, J = 7.6Hz), 7.22 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 5.40 (1H, d, J = 8.8 Hz), 3.76 (1H, br s), 3.30 (1H, s, Ar- $C \equiv CH$ ), 2.84 (1H, q, J = 8.8 Hz), 2.47–2.42 (2H, m), 2.15–2.12 (1H, m), 1.97–1.91 (1H, m), 1.73–1.62 (2H, m), 1.37–1.31 (1H, m), 1.00 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz,  $CH_3$ ); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135) δ 215.2 (C, C=O), 144.0 (C), 132.7 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 127.4 (CH), 126.3 (CH), 120.7 (C), 81.9 (CH, Ar-C $\equiv$ CH), 81.6 (C, Ar-C $\equiv$ CH), 71.9 (CH, CHOH), 54.1 (CH), 38.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 36.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 33.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.9 (CH), 18.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>); LRMS m/z 243.10 (M+1), calcd. for  $C_{16}H_{18}O_2$  242.1307; Anal. calcd. for  $C_{16}H_{18}O_2$  (242.1307); C, 79.31, H, 7.49; Found: C, 79.26; H, 7.55%.

#### (2S,4R,1'R)-2-[(2-Ethynylphenyl)-hydroxymethyl]-4-methyl-cyclohexanone

[(2S,4R,1'R)-5af]: Prepared following Method-B, purified by column chromatography

OH O Me (2S, 4R, 1'R)-5af using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 94:6, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R$  = 8.67 min (minor),  $t_R$  = 11.43 min (major).  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -172.7^\circ$  (c = 0.14 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 77% ee); IR (Neat):

 $ν_{\text{max}}$  3415, 3298 (O-H), 3279, 2955, 2874, 1704 (C=O), 1451, 1306, 1258, 1220, 1198, 1121 1077, 1021 and 763 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.53 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.47 (1H, dd, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz), 7.38 (1H, dt, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz), 7.23 (1H, dt, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz)[Ar-H]; 5.79 (1H, s, CHOH), 3.31 (1H, s, Ar-C=CH), 3.14–3.09 (1H, m), 3.03 (1H, d, J = 2.4 Hz), 2.59–2.51 (1H, m), 2.38–2.31 (1H, m), 2.13–2.01 (2H, m), 1.95–1.88 (1H, m), 1.79–1.74 (1H, m), 1.35–1.29 (1H, m), 1.03 (3H, d, J = 6.8 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135) δ 215.3 (C, C=O), 143.7 (C), 132.9 (CH), 128.9 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 118.6 (C), 82.6 (CH, Ar-C=CH), 81.3 (C, Ar-C=CH), 69.2 (CH, CHOH), 50.2 (CH), 38.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 33.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 31.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.7 (CH), 18.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>); LRMS m/z 243.10 (M+1), calcd. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 242.1307; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (242.1307); C, 79.31, H, 7.49; Found: C, 79.45; H, 7.53%.

#### (2R, 4R)-2-[(S)-Hydroxy-(2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)methyl]-4-methylcyclohexanone

OH O (2R, 4R, 1'S)-5bf

(5bf): Prepared following Method-A, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 94:6, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R$  = 18.33 min (major),  $t_R$  = 22.77 min (minor). [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = +109.2° (c = 0.26 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>,

>99% de and 90% ee); IR (Neat):  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  3353 (O-H), 2929, 1711 (C=O), 1493, 1038, 757, 686 and 633 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.56-7.54 (4H, m), 7.41-7.38 (4H, m), 7.29 (1H, t, J = 6.0 Hz), 5.53-5.51 (1H, m), 2.96 (1H, q, J = 6.4 Hz), 2.50 (2H, t, J = 5.2 Hz), 2.22–2.18 (1H, m), 1.98–1.95 (1H, m), 1.81–1.76 (1H, m), 1.68–1.66 (1H, m), 1.47-

1.45 (1H, m) 1.00-0.98 (3H, br s, CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  215.1 (C, C=O), 143.6 (C), 132.2 (CH), 131.5 (2 x CH), 129.0 (CH), 128.5 (CH), 128.5 (2 x CH), 127.6 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 123.0 (C), 121.8 (C), 94.1 (CH, Ar-C=CH), 87.5 (C, Ar-C=CH), 72.4 (CH, CHOH), 54.4 (CH), 38.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 36.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 33.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.1 (CH), 19.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>); LRMS m/z 319.20 (M+1), calcd. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 318.1620; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (318.1620); C, 82.99, H, 6.96; Found: C, 82.85; H, 6.88%.

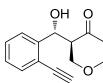
#### (2S,4S)-2-[(R)-Hydroxy-(2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)methyl]-4-methylcyclohexanone

OH O (2S, 4S, 1'R)-5bf

(5bf): Prepared following Method-A, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 94:6, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R$  = 18.33 min (minor),  $t_R$  = 22.77 min (major).  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = -89.2^\circ$  (c = 0.37 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>,

>99% de and 86% ee); IR (Neat):  $\lambda_{max}$  3353 (O-H), 2929, 1711 (C=O), 1493, 1038, 757, 686 and 633 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### (S)-3-((R)-(2-ethynylphenyl)(hydroxy)methyl)dihydro-2H-pyran-4(3H)-one (5ag):



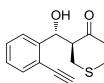
anti-5ag

Prepared following Method-A, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 90:10, flow rate 1.0

mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R(syn)$  = 9.31 min (major),  $t_R(syn)$  = 10.84 min (minor);  $t_R(anti)$  = 13.79 min (minor),  $t_R(anti)$  = 15.17 min (major). [ $\alpha$ ] $_0^{25}$  = +206.3° (c = 0.06 g/100 mL, CHCl3, 93% ee); IR (Neat):  $\lambda_{max}$  3423 (O-H), 1708 (C=O), 1208, 760, 684, 666, 648 and 635 cm $^{-1}$ ; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl3, 8.2:1 mixture of anti:syn diastereomers)  $\delta$  7.54 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.50 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.47 (2H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.42-7.35 (2H, m), 7.27-7.21 (2H, m) [Ar-H], 5.84 (1H, br s), 5.39 (1H, br d, J = 7.2 Hz), 4.22-4.16 (2H, m), 3.91 (1H, br s), 3.82 (2H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 3.79-3.68 (3H, m), 3.60 (1H, dd, J = 11.2, 10.0 Hz), 3.33 (1H, s, Ar-C=CH), 3.32 (1H, s, Ar-C=CH), 3.19–3.14 (1H, m), 3.04–2.99 (2H, m), 2.71–2.62 (2H, m), 2.48 (2H, tt, J = 15.2, 3.2 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl3,

DEPT-135, **8.2:1 mixture of** *anti:syn* **diastereomers**) δ 210.1 (C, C=O), 209.0 (C), 142.9 (C), 142.8 (C), 133.0 (CH), 132.9 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 129.1 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 125.9 (CH), 120.2 (C), 118.8 (C), 83.1 (CH, Ar-C $\equiv$ CH), 82.5 (CH, Ar-C $\equiv$ CH), 81.3 (C, Ar-C $\equiv$ CH), 81.0 (C, Ar-C $\equiv$ CH), 70.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 69.4 (CH), 68.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 67.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 67.8 (CH), 58.2 (CH), 55.3 (CH), 43.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 43.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>); LRMS m/z 231.10 (M+1), calcd. for  $C_{14}H_{14}O_3$  230.0943; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (230.0943); C, 73.03, H, 6.13; Found: C, 73.21; H, 6.18%.

#### (S)-3-((R)-(2-ethynylphenyl)(hydroxy)methyl)dihydro-2H-thiopyran-4(3H)-one



(5ah): Prepared following method A in THF, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase

HPLC using a Daicel Chiralpak AD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = anti-5ah 90:10, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R$  = 14.74 min (minor),  $t_R$  = 16.44 min (major);  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +26.2^{\circ}$  (c = 0.16 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 99% de, 88% ee); IR (Neat):  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ 3428 (O-H), 2924, 1703 (C=O), 1425, 1287, 1107, 1018 and 762 cm<sup>□1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.54 (1H, d, J = 7.5 Hz), 7.49 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.41 (1H, t, J = 7.5 Hz), 7.27 (1H, t, J = 7.5 Hz) [Ar-H]; 5.48 (1H, dd, J = 8.0, 3.5 Hz), 3.75-3.71 (1H, m, OH),  $3.32 (1H, s, Ar-C \equiv CH), 3.12-3.08 (1H, m), 3.02-2.94 (2H, m), 2.85-2.78 (3H, m), 2.53-$ 2.49 (1H, m); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135) δ 212.0 (C, C=O), 142.8 (C), 132.8 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 127.8 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 120.7 (C), 82.5 (CH, Ar-C≡CH), 81.5 (C, Ar-C = CH), 71.3 (CH), 59.9 (CH), 45.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 30.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>); LRMS m/z 247.20 (M+1), calcd. for  $C_{14}H_{14}O_2S$  246.0715; Anal. calcd. for  $C_{14}H_{14}O_2S$  (246.0715); C, 68.26, H, 5.73; Found: C, 68.15; H, 5.78%.

ОН 5ba

(R)-4-Hydroxy-4-(2-phenylethynylphenyl)-butan-2-one (5ba): Prepared following Method-B, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as white solid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralcel AD-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 94:6, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R = 13.52$  min (major),  $t_R = 15.56$  min (minor).  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +52.2^\circ$  (c = 0.54

g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, **76%** *ee*); IR (Neat):  $v_{\text{max}}$  3352 (O-H), 2929, 1706 (*C*=O), 1494, 1406, 1365, 1260, 1186, 1164, 1102, 1064, 756, 690 and 664 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.61 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.51–7.47 (3H, m), 7.40–7.34 (4H, m), 7.26 (1H, t, J = 8.0 Hz)[Ar-H]; 5.69 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, CHOH), 3.48 (1H, br s, OH), 3.07 (1H, dd, J = 17.6, 1.6 Hz, COC $H_2$ ), 2.77 (1H, dd, J = 17.6, 9.6 Hz, COC $H_2$ ), 2.19 (3H, s, COC $H_3$ ); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  209.2 (C, *C*=O), 144.5 (C), 132.0 (CH), 131.4 (2 x CH), 128.9 (CH), 128.51 (CH), 128.45 (2 x CH), 127.2 (CH), 125.1 (CH), 122.8 (C), 119.9 (C), 94.9 (C, Ar-C=CPh), 86.6 (C, Ar-C=CPh), 68.0 (CH, *C*HOH), 50.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>, COCCH<sub>2</sub>), 30.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>, COCCH<sub>3</sub>); LRMS m/z 263.00 (M-1), calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 264.1150; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (264.1150); C, 81.79; H, 6.10. Found: C, 81.65; H, 6.22%.

#### (R,R)-1,5-Dihydroxy-1,5-bis-(2-phenylethynylphenyl)-pentan-3-one (6ba): Prepared

following Method-A, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as yellow gummy liquid. ŌН Ö ŌН The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralpak AD-H 6ba column (hexane/2-propanol = 94:6, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_R$  = 56.27 min (minor),  $t_R = 61.58 \text{ min (major)}$ , >99.9% ee. IR (Neat):  $v_{\text{max}}$  3410 (O-H), 3059, 2926, 2216, 1960, 1713 (C=O), 1597, 1493, 1447, 1389, 1267, 1063, 756 and 691 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.58 (4H, d, J = 7.0 Hz), 7.51–7.48 (8H, m), 7.34–7.32 (6H, m)[Ar-H]; 5.78 (2H, dd, J = 9.9, 2.1 Hz, 2 x CHOH), 3.20 (2H, br s, OH), 3.09 (2H, dd, J = 16.8, 2.4 Hz, COC $H_2$ ), 2.86 (2H, dd, J = 16.8, 9.8 Hz, COC $H_2$ ); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135) δ 210.8 (C, C=O), 144.4 (2 x C), 132.1 (2 x CH), 131.5 (4 x CH), 128.9 (2 x CH), 128.6 (2 x CH), 128.5 (4 x CH), 127.3 (2 x CH), 125.1 (2 x CH), 122.8 (2 x C), 120.0 (2 x C), 95.2 (2 x C, 2 x Ar- $C \equiv CPh$ ), 86.5 (2 x C, 2 x Ar- $C \equiv CPh$ ), 68.1 (2 x CH, 2 x CHOH), 51.1 (2 x CH<sub>2</sub>, 2 x COCH<sub>2</sub>); LRMS m/z 471.30 ( $M^+$  +1), calcd. for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 470.1882; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (470.1882); C, 84.23; H, 5.57. Found: C, 84.15; H, 5.63%.

# (R,R)-4-Hydroxy-4- $(2-\{4-[2-(1-hydroxy-3-oxobutyl)phenyl]buta-1,3-diynyl\}$ -phenyl)butan-2-one (5ca, major) and (R,S)-4-Hydroxy-4- $(2-\{4-[2-(1-hydroxy-3-oxobutyl)phenyl]buta-1,3-diynyl\}$ -phenyl)butan-2-one (5ca, minor): Prepared

following Method-A, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as yellow liquid. The enantiomeric excess (ee) was determined by chiral stationary phase HPLC using a Daicel Chiralcel OJ-H column (hexane/2-propanol = 94:6, flow rate 1.0 mL/min,  $\lambda$ = 254 nm),  $t_{\rm R}$  = 44.46 min (minor),  $t_{\rm R}$  = 57.34 min

(R,S)-3ca min),  $t_R = 44.46$  min (minor),  $t_R = 57.34$  min (major). [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = +69.5° (c = 0.27 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 21:1 dr and >99% ee); IR (Neat):  $v_{max}$  3432 (O-H), 3065, 2920, 2213, 2143, 1715 (C=O), 1711 (C=O), 1476, 1447, 1362, 1233, 1163, 1107, 1067, 955, 887, 818 and 762 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, major isomer)  $\delta$  7.61 (2H, d, J = 7.8 Hz), 7.51 (2H, d, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.41 (2H, dt, J = 7.6, 1.0 Hz), 7.25 (2H, dt, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz)[Ar-H]; 5.56 (2H, dd, J = 9.6, 2.0 Hz, 2 x CHOH), 3.69 (2H, br s, 2 x OH), 2.99 (2H, dd, J = 17.4, 2.4 Hz, COCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.76 (2H, dd, J = 17.4, 9.6 Hz, COCH<sub>2</sub>), 2.24 (6H, s, 2 x COCH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135, major isomer)  $\delta$  209.15 (2 x C, 2 x C=O), 146.0 (2 x C), 133.23 (2 x CH), 129.9 (2 x CH), 127.3 (2 x CH), 125.5 (2 x CH), 118.42 (2 x C), 80.2 (2 x C), 78.5 (2 x C), 67.8 (2 x CH, 2 x CHOH), 50.9 (2 x CH<sub>2</sub>, 2 x COCH<sub>2</sub>), 30.6 (2 x CH<sub>3</sub>, 2 x COCH<sub>3</sub>); LRMS m/z 375.30 (M+1), calcd. for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>4</sub> 374.1518; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>4</sub> (374.1518); C, 76.99; H, 5.92. Found: C, 76.85; H, 5.98%.

#### (4R,4'R)-4,4'-((1,1'-(1,2-phenylenebis(methylene))bis(1H-1,2,3-triazole-4,1-1))

**diyl))bis(2,1-phenylene))bis(4-hydroxybutan-2-one)**(8aaa): Prepared following Method-C, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and

isolated as liquid.  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +60.5^\circ$  (c = 0.385 g/100 mL,

**CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 95%** *ee*); IR (Neat):  $\lambda_{max}$  3464 (O-H), 2359,

1708 (C=O), 1361, 1075, 911, 733, 681 and 673 cm $^{-1}$ ;  $^{1}$ H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.72 (1H, s),

7.53 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.41-7.38 (1H, m), 7.34-7.29 (3H, m), 7.19 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 5.68 (2H, ABq, J = 15.2 Hz, NC $H_2$ Ar), 5.31 (1H, t, J = 5.6 Hz, CHOH), 2.89 (2H, d, J = 6.0 Hz), 2.11 (3H, s, C $H_3$ CO); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  208.7 (C, C = O), 147.3 (C), 140.8 (C), 133.1 (C), 130.6 (CH), 129.9 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 128.8 (CH), 127.9 (C), 127.6 (CH), 126.6 (CH), 122.4 (CH), 67.2 (CH), 51.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 50.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 30.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS m/z 587.2383 (M+Na), calcd. for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na 587.2383; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub> (564.2485); C, 68.07; H, 5.71; N, 14.88; Found: C, 67.95; H, 5.69; N, 14.92%.

#### (4R,4'R)-4,4'-((1,1'-(1,3-phenylenebis(methylene))bis(1H-1,2,3-triazole-4,1-1)

diyl))bis(2,1-phenylene))bis(4-hydroxybutan-2-one) (8aab): Prepared following

Method-C, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as solid.  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +48.5^{\circ}$  (c = 1.714 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 95% ee); IR (Neat):  $\lambda_{max}$  3446 (O-H), 2929, 1709 (C=O), 1357, 1218, 1075, 760, 659 and 652 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.78 (1H,

s), 7.52 (1H, d, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.35-7.30 (2H, m), 7.28-7.25 (2H, m), 7.20-7.19 (2H, m), 5.51 (2H, s, NC $H_2$ Ar), 5.32-5.30 (1H, m, CHOH), 4.80 (1H, br s, OH), 2.89-2.87 (2H, m), 2.10 (3H, s, COC $H_3$ ); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  208.7 (C, C=O), 147.2 (C), 140.8 (C), 135.6 (C), 129.7 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 128.7 (CH), 128.1 (CH), 128.0 (C), 127.5 (CH), 127.2 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 122.3 (CH), 67.1 (CH), 53.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 50.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 30.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS m/z 587.2383 (M+Na), calcd. for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na 587.2383; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub> (564.2485); C, 68.07; H, 5.71; N, 14.88; Found: C, 68.12; H, 5.75; N, 14.78%.

(4R,4'R)-4,4'-((1,1'-(1,4-

phenylenebis(methylene))bis(1*H*-1,2,3-triazole-4,1-diyl))bis(2,1-phenylene))bis(4-hydroxybutan-2-one) (8aac): Prepared following Method-C, purified

by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid.  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +47.4^{\circ}$  (c = 0.80 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 95% ee); IR (Neat):  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  3421 (O-H), 2928, 1710 (C=O),

1356, 1109, 1077, 764, 642 and 611 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.74 (1H, s), 7.52 (1H, d, J = 8.0 Hz), 7.36-7.30 (2H, m), 7.28 (2H, m), 7.21 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 5.51 (2H, s, NC $H_2$ Ar), 5.31 (1H, t, J = 6.4 Hz, CHOH), 2.91 (2H, d, J = 6.4 Hz), 2.11 (3H, s, COC $H_3$ ); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  208.7 (C, C = O), 147.4 (C), 140.8 (C), 135.1 (C), 129.3 (CH), 128.7 (3 x CH), 128.0 (C), 127.5 (CH), 126.5 (CH), 122.1 (CH), 67.2 (CH), 53.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 50.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 30.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>); HRMS m/z 587.2383 (M+Na), calcd. for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Na 587.2383; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>32</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub> (564.2485); C, 68.07, H, 5.71; N, 14.88; Found: C, 68.15; H, 5.75; N, 14.76%.

#### (R, R)-Cyclic double click product (9aab): Prepared following Method-D, purified by

column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as white solid. [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = +3.0° (c = 0.42 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 99% ee); IR (Neat):  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  3430, 2360, 1654 (C=O), 907, 731, 659 and 650 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.78 (1H, s), 7.63 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.51 (1H, d, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.49-7.38 (2H, m), 7.32

(1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.28 (1H, s), 5.64-5.51 (2H, m), 5.37-5.29 (1H, m), 4.86 (1H, brs), 3.09-2.89 (2H, m); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  210.2 (C, C=O), 147.4 (C), 141.6 (C), 136.0 (C), 129.7 (CH), 129.5 (CH), 129.1 (CH), 128.2 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 127.4 (C), 127.4 (CH), 126.0 (CH), 122.4 (CH), 68.8 (CH), 53.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 51.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>); HRMS m/z 529.1957 (M+Na), calcd. for  $C_{29}H_{26}O_3Na$  529.1964.

OH OH (*R*,*S*)-1-(2-Ethynylphenyl)-butane-1,3-diol (*anti*–10aa): Prepared following Method-E, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = +58.6° (c = 0.27 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 93% ee); IR (Neat):  $v_{max}$  3293 (O-H), 3063, 2973, 2903, 2103, 1698, 1447, 1373, 1318, 1208, 1130, 1069, 932, 847 and 763 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.57 (1H, d, J = 8.4 Hz), 7.46 (1H, d, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.38 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.22 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz)[Ar-H]; 5.38 (1H, d, J = 10.0 Hz, CHOH), 4.21–4.11 (1H, m), 3.79 (1H, br s, OH), 3.43 (1H, br s, OH), 3.32 (1H, s, Ar-C=CH), 1.92–1.85 (1H, m), 1.76–1.70 (1H, m), 1.21 (3H, d, J = 6.0 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135) δ 146.8 (C), 132.7 (CH), 129.4 (CH), 127.0 (CH), 125.2 (CH), 118.9 (C), 82.2 (CH, Ar-C=CH), 81.3

(C, Ar-C=CH), 72.7 (CH, CHOH), 69.0 (CH, CHOH), 45.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 23.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>); LRMS m/z 188.95 (M-1), calcd. for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 190.0994; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (190.0994); C, 76.57; H, 6.43. Found: C, 75.68; H, 7.51%.

OH QH (*R*,*R*)-1-(2-Ethynylphenyl)-butane-1,3-diol (*syn*-10aa): Prepared following Method-F, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = -43.2° (c = 0.21 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 95% ee); IR (Neat):  $v_{max}$  3293 (O-H), 3065, 2971, 2917, 2103, 1644, 1447, 1420, 1377, 1335, 1109, 1071, 974, 937, 866, 814 and 760 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.61 (1H, d, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.47 (1H, d, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.39 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.23 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz)[Ar-H]; 5.52 (1H, s, CHOH), 4.07 (1H, s), 3.43 (1H, br s, OH), 3.33 (1H, s, Ar-C=CH), 2.53 (1H, br. s, OH), 2.00–1.90 (2H, m), 1.27 (3H, d, J = 6.0 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  146.8 (C), 132.9 (CH), 129.2 (CH), 126.9 (CH), 125.4 (CH), 118.9 (C), 82.4 (CH, Ar-C=CH), 81.3 (C, Ar-C=CH), 69.9 (CH, CHOH), 65.9 (CH, CHOH), 44.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 23.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>); LRMS m/z 191.15 (M+1), calcd. for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 190.0994; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (190.0994); C, 76.57; H, 6.43. Found: C, 75.61; H, 7.52%.

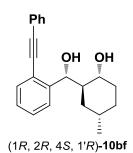
#### (1S,2S,4R)-2-((S)-(2-ethynylphenyl)(hydroxy)methyl)-4-methylcyclohexanol (10af):

Prepared following Method-F and purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. [ $\alpha$ ] $_D^{25} = +29.6^{\circ}$  (c = 0.071 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 96% ee and >99% de); IR (Neat):  $\lambda_{max}$  3300 (O-H), 2929, 1084, 756, 613, 566 and 538 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.48 (2H, d, J = 7.2 Hz), 7.40 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.24 (1H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 5.18 (1H, d, J = 9.2 Hz, CHOH), 4.00-3.80 (2H, br s, OH), 3.80-3.72 (1H, m, CHOH), 3.29 (1H, s, Ar-C=CH), 2.03–1.99 (1H, m), 1.84–1.76 (2H, m), 1.68–1.49 (3H, m), 1.25–1.15 (1H, m), 0.90–0.80 (1H, m), 0.84 (3H, d, J = 7.2 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  145.0 (C), 132.8 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 127.5 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 120.8 (C), 81.9 (C, Ar-C=CH), 81.8 (CH, Ar-C=CH), 78.3 (CH, CHOH), 76.6 (CH, CHOH), 44.7 (CH), 32.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.4 (CH), 17.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>); LRMS m/z 245.25 (M+1), calcd. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 244.1463.

#### (1S,2S,4R)-2-((S)-(2-ethynylphenyl)(hydroxy)methyl)-4-methylcyclohexanol (10af):

OH OH (1S, 2S, 4R, 1'S)-10af Prepared following Method-E, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. [ $\alpha$ ] $_{\rm D}^{25}$  = +2.2° (c = 0.67 g/100 mL, CHCl $_{\rm 3}$ , 96% ee and 90% de); IR (Neat):  $\lambda_{\rm max}$  3415 (O-H), 1395, 1324, 1135, 755, 703, 658 and 646 cm $^{-1}$ ; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl $_{\rm 3}$ )  $\delta$  7.47 (1H, d, J = 6.8 Hz), 7.45

(1H, d, J = 6.8 Hz), 7.38 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 7.22 (1H, t, J = 7.6 Hz), 5.16 (1H, d, J = 9.2 Hz, CHOH), 4.38 (1H, br s, OH), 4.20 (1H, br s, OH), 3.71-3.68 (1H, m, CHOH), 3.28 (1H, s, Ar-C=CH), 1.97–1.93 (1H, m), 1.89–1.80 (1H, m), 1.75–1.72 (1H, m), 1.58–1.46 (3H, m), 1.22–1.15 (1H, m), 0.90–0.80 (1H, m), 0.82 (3H, d, J = 7.2 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  145.2 (C), 132.7 (CH), 129.6 (CH), 127.4 (CH), 126.8 (CH), 120.9 (C), 82.0 (C, Ar-C=CH), 81.7 (CH, Ar-C=CH), 78.1 (CH, CHOH), 76.5 (CH, CHOH), 44.7 (CH), 32.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.5 (CH), 17.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>); LRMS m/z 245.25 (M+1), calcd. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 244.1463; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (244.1463); C, 78.65, H, 8.25; Found: C, 78.53; H, 8.16%.



(1*R*,2*R*,4*S*)-2-((*R*)-hydroxy(2-(phenylethynyl)phenyl)methyl)-4-methylcyclohexanol (10bf): Prepared following Method-E, purified by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as liquid. [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> = -98.2° (c = 0.26 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 86% *ee* and 80% *de*); IR (Neat):  $v_{max}$  3401 (O-H), 2970, 1458, 1383, 1307, 1104, 910, 881, 763, 748 and 645 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR

(CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.47-7.42 (4H, m), 7.32-7.29 (4H, m), 7.19 (1H, t, J = 8.0 Hz), 5.18 (1H, d, J = 9.2 Hz, CHOH), 4.60-4.00 (2H, br s, OH), 3.72-3.63 (1H, m, CHOH), 2.04-1.95 (1H, m), 1.84-1.64 (2H, m), 1.57-1.31 (3H, m), 1.20–1.06 (1H, m), 0.82–0.78 (1H, m), 0.75 (3H, d, J = 10.0 Hz); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135)  $\delta$  144.5 (C), 132.1 (CH), 131.4 (2 x CH), 129.1 (CH), 128.5 (3 x CH), 127.5 (CH), 126.9 (CH), 123.1 (C), 121.9 (C), 93.9 (C), 87.6 (C), 78.6 (CH, CHOH), 76.5 (CH, CHOH), 44.8 (CH), 32.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 26.5 (CH), 17.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>); LRMS m/z 321.25 (M+1), calcd. for

 $C_{22}H_{24}O_2$  320.1776; Anal. calcd. for  $C_{22}H_{24}O_2$  (320.1776); C, 82.46, H, 7.55; Found: C, 82.15; H, 7.49%.

#### (1S,2S,4R)-2-((S)-((3,5-dinitrobenzoyl)oxy)(2-ethynylphenyl)methyl)-4-

methylcyclohexyl 3,5-dinitrobenzoate (11af): Prepared following Method-G, purified

by column chromatography using EtOAc/hexane and isolated as solid.  $[\alpha]_D^{25} = +1.9^{\circ}$  (c = 0.38 g/100 mL, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 96% ee and 90% de); IR (Neat):  $\lambda_{max}$  2955, 1728 (C=O), 1543 (NO<sub>2</sub>), 1343 (NO<sub>2</sub>), 1275, 1167, 730, 719 and 661 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 

9.28-9.27 (2H, m), 9.24-9.23 (1H, m), 9.21-9.19 (1H, m), 9.02-9.01 (2H, m), 7.59-7.57 (1H, m), 7.37-7.34 (1H, m), 7.25-7.22 (2H, m), 6.58 (1H, d, J = 8.8 Hz, CHOBz), 5.57 (1H, q, J = 4.4 Hz, CHOBz), 3.54 (1H, s, Ar-C=CH), 3.08 (1H, m), 2.05-2.00 (2H, m), 1.76-1.72 (1H, m), 1.58-1.50 (1H, m), 1.48-1.42 (1H, m), 1.35-1.24 (2H, m), 0.98 (3H, d, J = 6.4 Hz), 0.90-0.80 (1H, m); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, DEPT-135) & 161.8 (C), 161.7 (C), 148.8 (2 x C), 148.6 (2 x C), 140.3 (C), 134.1 (C), 134.0 (CH), 133.5 (C), 129.7 (2 x CH), 129.3 (3 x CH), 128.4 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 122.6 (CH), 122.4 (CH), 121.2 (C), 83.1 (CH, Ar-C=CH), 81.3 (C, Ar-C=CH), 77.3 (CH), 73.7 (CH), 42.0 (CH), 32.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 27.0 (CH), 26.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 20.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>); LRMS m/z 632.55 (M+1), calcd. for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>12</sub> 632.1391; Anal. calcd. for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>24</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>12</sub> (632.1391); C, 56.96, H, 3.82, N, 8.86; Found: C, 56.85; H, 3.76; N, 8.45%.

# Datablock: (*R*,*R*)-(+)-6aa

Bond precision:		C-C = 0.0037 A		Wavelength=0.71073		
Cell:	a=5.7710(1	1)	b=10.9	30 (2)	c=28.102	6)
	alpha=90		beta=9	0	gamma=90	
Temperature: 273 K						
		Calculat	ted			Reported
Volume		1772.6(6	6)			1772.7(6)
Space group		P 21 21	21			P212121
Hall group		P 2ac 2a	ab			?
Moiety form	ula	C21 H18	03			?
Sum formula		C21 H18	03			C1.62 H1.38 O0.23
Mr		318.35				24.49
Dx,g cm-3		1.193				1.193
Z		4				52
Mu (mm-1)		0.079				0.079
F000		672.0				672.0
F000'		672.33				
h,k,lmax		7,13,34				7,13,34
Nref		2056[ 35	501]			3480
Tmin,Tmax		0.970,0	.978			0.971,0.978
Tmin'		0.970				
Correction method= MULTI-SCAN						
Data completeness= 1.69/0.99				Theta(max)=	26.050	
R(reflections) = 0.0556( 2978) wR2(reflections) = 0.1295( 3480)						0.1295( 3480)
S = 1.116		Npar	c= 223			

### Datablock (R,R)-(+)-6aa - ellipsoid plot

