Scope and Mechanism of Asymmetric C(sp³)-H/C(Ar)-X Coupling Reactions: Computational and Experimental Study

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1. General Information

All reagents were purchased from commercial sources and used without further purification unless otherwise noted. 'BuONa was sublimed and weighted in the glove box. Solvents were purified by filtration on drying columns using a Solvtec[®] system. Reactions and manipulations involving organometallic or moisture sensitive compounds were carried out under nitrogen and glassware was further dried by heating under vacuum as necessary. F.c. (FC): silica gel 60 (40µm). Analysis with HPLC was performed using an Agilent 1100 series chromatograph with a JASCO PU–980 pump and Agilent 1100 Series detection system.

¹H, ¹³C-NMR spectra were recorded on Bruker AMX-500, AMX-400 or AMX-300 MHz; δ -in ppm, pattern abbreviation: broad (*brd*), quartet (*q*), quintet (*quint*), multiplet (*m*). Fourier transform (FT) spectrometers using an internal deuterium lock. Chemical shifts are quoted in parts per million (ppm) downfield of tetramethylsilane. Infrared spectra were recorded on a Perkin–Elmer Spectrum One photometer. HRMS analyses were measured on a VG analytical 7070E instrument.

Starting Materials:

Mesitylene was distilled over CaH₂ under nitrogen. Dry xylenes, benzene, trifluoroacetic acid, sodium triacetoxyborohydride, cesium carbonate, cesium pivalate, pivalic acid, molecular sieves 4Å, methyl chloroformate, ethyl chloroformate, benzyl chloroformate, isobutyryl chloride, pivaloyl chloride, 2-amino-3-bromopyridine, 3-amino-2-bromopyridine and 2-bromoaniline were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich, Fluka or Acros. 2-Bromo-3-methylaniline was prepared by general procedure.ⁱ

2. Experimental Details and Procedures

2.1 General procedures

General procedure for the synthesis of N-cycloalkyl-2-(pseudo)haloanilines (GP1):ⁱⁱ

2-(pseudo)haloaniline (3.4 g, 20 mmol), molecular sieves 4Å (6 g) and the corresponding cyclic ketone (2-5 equivs.) was dissolved in benzene (50 mL). The reaction mixture was refluxed with Dean-Stark apparatus for 3-4 days. The reaction mixture was cooled down and filtered through celite. The filtrate was evaporated by rotary evaporator and dried in vacuo. The crude imine was dissolved in dry methanol and NaBH₄ (3 equivs.) was added slowly under nitrogen. The reaction mixture as stirred for 2 hours. 1N-KOH aq. was added and the extracted with dichloromethane. The organic phase was dried over Na₂SO₄. After filtration and evaporation, the residue was purified by column chromatography (silica gel; diethyl ether/pentane as eluent) affording *N*-cycloalkyl-2-(pseudo)haloaniline.

General procedure for the synthesis of substrates 1a-r and 3a,b (GP2).

N-(cyclo)alkyl-*o*-(pseudo)haloaniline was dissolved in methyl chloroformate (15 equivs.) or the corresponding acyl chloride (for synthesis of **1h**, **1i** and **3b**). The reaction mixture was refluxed for 24 hours and then poured into water and extracted with dichloromethane. The organic phase was dried over MgSO₄ and evaporated after filtration. The filtrate was evaporated by rotary evaporator and purified by f.c. (silica gel; ethyl acetate/pentane as eluent) affording the product.

General procedure for the racemic C(sp³)-H activation using PCy₃·HBF₄ as a ligand (GP3).

Substrate (0.2 mmol), $Pd(OAc)_2$ (4.5 mg, 0.02 mmol), pivalic acid (6.1 mg, 0.06 mmol), cesium carbonate (97.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), and $PCy_3 \cdot HBF_4$ (14.7 mg, 0.04 mmol) were placed into a Schlenk tube. After the flask was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen, dry xylenes (2 mL) were added under nitrogen and the resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 140 °C in the Schlenk tube behind a protective shield for 17 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to r.t. and diluted with dichloromethane (2 mL) followed by filtration through a pad of celite. The filtrate was evaporated by rotary evaporator and the volatiles were removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by f.c. (silica gel; ethyl acetate : pentane mixtures as eluent) to afford the racemic product.

General procedure for the racemic C(sp³)-H activation using 6 as a ligand (GP4).

Substrate (0.2 mmol), cesium carbonate (97.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), $[Pd(\pi\text{-cinnamyl})Cl]_2$ (5.2 mg, 0.01 mmol), cesium pivalate (46.8 mg, 0.2 mmol) and **6** HCl (8.5 mg, 0.02 mmol) were placed in a Schlenk tube. After the flask was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen, dry xylenes (2 mL) were added under nitrogen. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 140 °C in the Schlenk tube behind a protective shield for 17 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to r.t. and diluted with dichloromethane (2 mL) followed by filtration through the pad of celite. The filtrate was evaporated by rotary evaporator and

the volatiles were removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by f.c.(silica gel; ethyl acetate : pentane mixtures as eluent) to afford the racemic product.

General procedure for the asymmetric NHC-palladium catalyzed C-H activation (GP5).

Substrate (0.2 mmol), cesium carbonate (97.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), $[Pd(\pi\text{-cinnamyl})Cl]_2$ (2.6 mg, 0.005 mmol), cesium pivalate (46.8 mg, 0.2 mmol) and NHC-HI (0.01 mmol) were placed in a Schlenk flask. After the flask was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen, dry xylenes (2mL) were added under nitrogen. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 140 °C in the Schlenk tube behind a protective shield for 16 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to r.t. and diluted with dichloromethane (2 mL) followed by filtration through a pad of celite. The filtrate was evaporated by rotary evaporator and the volatiles were removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by f.c. (silica gel; ethyl acetate : pentane mixtures as eluent) to afford product.

General procedure for the asymmetric NHC-palladium catalyzed C-H activation with cesium acetate as additive (GP6)

Substrate (0.2 mmol), cesium carbonate (97.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), $[Pd(\pi\text{-cinnamyl})Cl]_2$ (2.6 mg, 0.005 mmol), cesium acetate (38.4 mg, 0.2 mmol) and NHC-HI (0.01 mmol) were placed in a Schlenk flask. After the flask was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen, dry xylenes (2mL) were added under nitrogen. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 120 °C in the Schlenk tube behind a protective shield for 21 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to r.t. and diluted with dichloromethane (2 mL) followed by filtration through a pad of celite. The filtrate was evaporated by rotary evaporator and the volatiles were removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by f.c. (silica gel; ethyl acetate : pentane mixtures as eluent) to afford product.

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2.1. Characterization data

2.1.1 N-cycloalkyl-2-(pseudo)haloanilines

Table 1:

N-(2-Chlorophenyl)cycloheptanamine:



Prepared according to **GP1**. Colorless oil, 72% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.41-1.76 (m, 10H), 1.92-2.05 (m, 2H), 3.41-3.55 (m, 1H), 4.25 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (td, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.65 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.10 (dd, J = 8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 24.5$, 28.5, 34.9, 53.6, 111.9, 116.6, 119.2, 127.9, 129.4, 143.3. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 735$, 831, 1032, 1079, 1132, 1177, 1236, 1288, 1322, 1431, 1458, 1508, 1596, 2853, 2924, 3418 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₃H₁₉CIN 224.1200, found 224.1200.



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N-(2-Iodophenyl)cycloheptanamine:



Prepared according to **GP1**. White solid, 97% yield, M. p. 36 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.44-1.77 (m, 10H), 1.90-2.05 (m, 2H), 3.42-3.56 (m, 1H), 4.13 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (td, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (dd, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (dd, J = 8, 1.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 24.5$, 28.5, 34.8, 54.1, 86.1, 111.4, 118.1, 129.5, 139.4, 146.5. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 736$, 828, 923, 948, 1001, 1060, 1129, 1177, 1281, 1315, 1364, 1425, 1451, 1502, 1586, 2852, 2921, 3066, 3391 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₅H₂₁IN 374.0611, found 374.017.



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Methyl (2-trifluoromethanesulfonylphenyl)(cycloheptyl)amine:



Prepared according to **GP1**. Colorless oil, 58% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.40-1.76 (m, 10H), 1.90-2.06 (m, 2H), 3.42-3.56 (m, 1H), 3.96 (s, 1H), 6.62 (td, J = 7.6, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (dd, J = 7.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (td, J = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 24.4$, 28.4, 34.7, 53.4, 113.4, 116.1, 118.8 (q, ¹ $J_{CF} = 318$ Hz), 121.8, 129.3, 137.2, 139.6. IR (neat): $\nu = 749$, 825, 880, 1043, 1087, 1137, 1205, 1241, 1298, 1327, 1416, 1460, 1513, 1615, 2858, 2929, 3434 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₄H₁₉NO₃F₃S 338.1032, found 338.1027.



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Table 2:

2-Bromo-N-isopropylaniline:



Colorless oil, 93% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.26 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 6H), 3.67 (m, 1H), 4.15 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 6.51 (td, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6Hz, 1H), 7.15 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (dd, J = 8, 1.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 23.1$, 44.5, 110.0, 112.0, 117.4, 128.6, 132.7, 144.4.

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Table 3:

N-(2-bromophenyl)tetrahydro-2*H*-thiopyran-4-amine:



Prepared according to **GP1**. Colorless oil, 15% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.58-1.76 (m, 2H), 2.25-2.38 (m, 2H), 2.69-2.78 (m, 4H), 3.28-3.40 (m, 1H), 4.24 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.59 (dd, J = 8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (dd, J = 8, 1.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 27.7$, 34.3, 51.0, 110.3, 111.9, 118.0, 128.6, 132.9, 143.5. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 808$, 885, 1033, 1099, 1157, 1186, 1237, 1272, 1257, 1337, 1412, 1450, 1515, 1598, 2216, 2854, 2930, 3401 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₁H₁₅NSBr 272.0103, found 272.0092.





tert-butyl 4-((2-bromophenyl)amino)piperidine-1-carboxylate:

Prepared according to **GP1**. Colorless oil, 88% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.34-1.48 (m, 2H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.92-2.12 (m, 2H), 2.97 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 1H), 3.35-3.55 (m, 1H), 4.00 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 4.21 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (td, J = 8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 28.7$, 32.3, 42.5, 50.1, 79.9, 110.3, 112.0, 118.0, 128.7, 132.9, 143.8, 154.9. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 697$, 761, 818, 888, 901, 974, 1032, 1109, 1152, 1187, 1224, 1247, 1258, 1277, 1334, 1409, 1448, 1521, 1596, 1707, 2853, 2930, 3402 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₄H₁₈BrNO₂ 312.0593, found 312.0594.



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Benzyl 4-((2-bromophenyl)amino)piperidine-1-carboxylate:



Prepared according to **GP1**. Colorless oil, 88% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.35-1.52 (m, 2H), 1.95-2.13 (m, 2H), 3.06 (t, J = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 3.42-3.55 (m, 1H), 3.98-4.17 (brd, 2H), 4.21 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (s, 4H), 6.55 (td, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (dd, J = 8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.27-7.39 (m, 5H), 7.41 (dd, J = 8, 1.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 32.2$, 42.8, 50.0, 67.4, 110.3, 112.0, 118.1, 128.1, 128.2, 128.7, 132.9, 136.9, 143.7, 155.4. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 697$, 761, 818, 888, 901, 974, 1032, 1109, 1152, 1187, 1224, 1247, 1258, 1277, 1334, 1409, 1448, 1521, 1596, 1707, 2853, 2930, 3402 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₄H₁₈BrNO₂ 312.0593, found 312.0594.





2-Bromo-*N*-(4,4-dimethylcyclohexyl)aniline:



Prepared according to **GP1**. Colorless oil, 87% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 0.94 (s, 3H), 0.95 (s, 3H), 1.23-1.49 (m, 6H), 1.82-1.95 (m, 2H), 3.15-3.35 (m, 1H), 4.23 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.50 (td, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.62 (dd, J = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.13 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (dd, J = 8, 1.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 25.8$, 29.0, 30.1, 31.5, 37.8, 51.9, 110.0, 111.9, 117.3, 128.6, 132.7, 144.4. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 723$, 798, 835, 865, 1029, 1104, 1153, 1229, 1265, 1317, 1393, 1448, 1464, 1497, 1591, 2853, 2927, 3403 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₂H₁₆BrClN 288.0149, found 288.0140.



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N-(2-Bromophenyl)-1,4-dioxaspiro[4.5]decan-8-amine:ⁱⁱⁱ



Prepared according to **GP1**. Colorless oil, 66% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.52-1.71 (m, 4H), 1.76-1.85 (m, 2H), 1.98-2.08 (m, 2H), 3.35-3.45 (m, 1H), 3.95 (s, 4H), 4.24 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 6.51 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 6.64 (td, J = 8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (dd, J = 7.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (dd, J = 8, 1.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 29.6$, 33.1, 50.2, 64.5, 64.6, 108.4, 110.1, 111.9, 117.6, 128.6, 132.8, 144.2. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 791$, 854, 883, 1028, 1100, 1148, 1190, 1236, 1265, 1315, 1399, 1453, 1506, 1587, 1609, 2853, 2928, 3407 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₄H₁₉NO₂Br 312.0593, found 312.0599.





2-Bromo-N-cyclohexylpyridin-3-amine:^{iv}



2-Bromoaniline (1.0 g, 5.78 mmol) and the cyclohexanone (627 mg, 6.4 mmol) were dissolved in *i*PrOAc (12 mL). After trifluoroacetic acid (1.32 g, 20 mmol) and NaHB(OAc)₃ (1.47 g, 11.6 mmol.) were added into the reaction mixture over the1 min, the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 min. The reaction mixture was added into 1N-KOH aq. and extracted with dichloromethane. The organic phase was dried over Na₂SO₄. After filtration and evaporation, the residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel; ethyl acetate/pentane = 1 : 10 as eluent) affording 2-bromo-*N*-cyclohexylpyridin-3-amine as white solid, 54% yield, M. p. 50 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.17-1.44 (m, 5H), 1.59-1.88 (m, 3H), 1.94-2.06 (m, 2H), 3.16-3.30 (m, 1H), 4.30 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (dd, *J* = 8.4, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (dd, *J* = 4.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): δ = 24.9, 25.9, 33.0, 51.5, 117.6, 123.8, 130.6, 136.7, 141.6. IR (neat): υ = 785, 888, 1038, 1097, 1148, 1244, 1266, 1325, 1383, 1450, 1487, 1578, 1710, 2853, 2928, 3059, 3401 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₁H₁₆N₂Br 255.0491, found 255.0490.



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3-Bromo-N-cyclohexylpyridin-2-amine:



Prepared according to **GP1**. White solid, 39% yield, M. p. 64 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.14-1.30 (m, 3H), 1.34-1.50 (m, 2H), 1.57-1.67 (m, 1H), 1.67-1.79 (m, 2H), 1.95-2.11 (m, 2H), 3.82-4.00 (m, 1H), 4.87 (d, J = 6 Hz, 1H), 6.31 (dd, J = 7.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (dd, J = 4.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 25.1$, 26.1, 33.6, 49.9, 105.8, 112.9, 139.7, 147.0, 154.3. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 622$, 687, 747, 777, 867, 891, 929, 1007, 1098, 1121, 1148, 1214, 1252, 1330, 1362, 1403, 1447, 1492, 1583, 2851, 2916, 3387 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₁H₁₆BrN₂ 255.0491, found 255.0496.





2-Bromo-N-cyclohexyl-3-methylaniline:



Prepared according to **GP1**. White solid, 94% yield, M. p. 66 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.18-1.46 (m, 5H), 1.58-1.70 (m, 1H), 1.70-1.81 (m, 2H), 1.96-2.12 (m, 1H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 3.23-3.36 (m, 1H), 4.40 (brd, 1H), 6.50 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 6.55 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 24.1$, 25.0, 26.1, 33.3, 52.0, 109.4, 112.7, 118.5, 127.7, 138.7, 144.4. IR (neat): v = 765, 886, 1012, 1122, 1146, 1229, 1257, 1277, 1322, 1347, 1380, 1448, 1468, 1496, 1567, 1590, 2849, 2927, 3384 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₃H₁₉BrN 268.0695, found 268.0703.



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2.2.2 Substrates 1a-r and 3a,b.

Table 1:

Methyl (2-chlorophenyl)(cycloheptyl)carbamate 1b:



Prepared according to **GP2**. White solid, 94% yield, M. p. 52 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.15-1.30 (m, 3H), 1.30-1.43 (m, 3H), 1.57-1.67 (m, 1H), 1.69-1.80 (m, 2H), 1.97-2.08 (m, 2H), 3.18-3.30 (m, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 4.19 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (dd, J = 8.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.19 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.26 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 25.0$, 26.0, 33.2, 51.8, 55.6, 98.8, 101.4, 101.9, 132.8, 145.1, 160.4. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 768$, 815, 826, 888, 1012, 1056, 1098, 114, 1170, 1211, 1311, 1342, 1367, 1426, 1449, 1507 1575, 1596, 2852, 2928, 3405 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₅H₂₁ClNO₂ 282.1255, found 282.1255.



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Methyl (2-iodophenyl)(cycloheptyl)carbamate 1c:



Prepared according to **GP2.** White solid, 83% yield, M. p. 99 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.19-1.33 (m, 3H), 1.33-1.47 (m, 2H), 1.59-1.69 (m, 1H), 1.71-1.82 (m, 2H), 1.96-2.08 (m, 2H), 3.25-3.40 (m, 1H), 4.41 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (dd, J = 8, 2 Hz, 1H),6.76 (d, J = 2 Hz, 1H), 7.47 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz): δ = 25.2, 25.4, 27.2, 27.9, 32.4, 35.7, 53.0, 61.6, 128.9, 129.1, 129.4, 139.9, 143.4, 155.0. IR (neat): υ = 799, 852, 934, 1018, 1075, 1119, 1164, 1293, 1281, 1335, 1370, 1437, 1517, 1584, 1600, 2856, 2931, 3410 cm⁻¹; EI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₅H₂₁NO₂I 374.0611, found 374.0617.



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Methyl (2-trifluoromethanesulfonylphenyl)(cycloheptyl)carbamate 1d:



Prepared according to **GP2.** Colorless oil, 67% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.35-1.58 (m, 9H), 3.17-3.27 (m, 1H), 3.35-3.46 (m, 1H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 3.75-4.00 (m, 1H), 4.60-4.85 (brd, 1H), 7.09-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.30 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (dd, J = 8, 1.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz): $\delta = 24.9$, 25.1, 27.2, 27.7, 32.9, 35.0, 53.0, 61.6, 118.5 (q, ¹ $J_{CF} = 318$ Hz), 122.0, 128.5, 129.2, 131.4, 133.3, 146.8, 155.1. IR (neat): v = 767, 788, 886, 1019, 1042, 1099, 1140, 1209, 1247, 1311, 1357, 1420, 1442, 1495, 1606, 1714, 2861, 2930 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₆H₂₁F₃NO₂S 396.1087, found 396.1097.







Ethyl (2-bromophenyl)(cyclohexyl)carbamate 1f:



Prepared according to **GP2** from 2-bromo-*N*-cyclohexylaniline and ethyl chloroformate. White solid, 97% yield, M. p. 86 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 0.83-1.02 (m, 2H), 1.20-1.44 (m, 3H), 1.51-1.62 (m, 1H), 1.62-1.81 (m, 2H), 1.87-1.96 (m, 1H), 2.03-2.12 (m, 1H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.89-4.30 (m, 1H), 7.00-7.12 (m, 2H), 7.43 (s, 1H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz): δ = 21.0, 25.7, 26.1, 30.4, 33.1, 53.0, 58.3, 125.8, 128.7, 130.6, 134.0, 136.0, 139.3, 155.7. IR (neat): υ = 737, 768, 827, 857, 893, 960, 1030, 1065, 1127, 1154, 1190, 1239, 1258, 1276, 1310, 1353, 1383, 1440, 1492, 1704, 2856, 2929 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₅H₂IBrNO₂ 326.0750, found 326.0750.



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Benzyl (2-bromophenyl)(cyclohexyl)carbamate 1g:



Prepared according to **GP2** from 2-bromo-*N*-cyclohexylaniline and benzyl chloroformate. White solid, 92% yield, M. p. 79-81 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 0.82-1.07 (m, 2H), 1.20-1.45 (m, 3H), 1.57 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 1.63-1.84 (m, 2H), 1.96 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 4.01-4.25 (m, 1H), 4.97-5.35 (m, 1H), 7.05-7.52 (m, 8H), 7.61 (dd, J = 8, 1.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz): $\delta = 25.7$, 26.1, 30.4, 33.0, 58.5, 67.3, 126.2, 127.6, 127.7, 127.9, 128.4, 129.0, 131.2, 133.5, 136.9, 138.8, 154.8. IR (neat): $\nu = 734$, 744, 764, 860, 895, 915, 967, 1022, 1064, 1110, 1153, 1192, 1217, 1264, 1304, 1348, 1401, 1460, 1477, 1585, 1689, 2855, 2931, 3062 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₂₀H₂₃BrNO₂ 388.0906, found 388.0897.





N-(2-bromophenyl)-*N*-cyclohexylisobutyramide 1h:



Prepared according to **GP2** from 2-bromo-*N*-cyclohexylaniline and isobutyril chloride. White solid, 95% yield, M. p. 66 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 0.78 (qd, J = 12.4, 4 Hz, 1H), 0.88 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.94 (tt, J = 12.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.10 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 1.15-1.47 (m, 3H), 1.49-1.77 (m, 3H), 1.80-1.93 (m, 1H), 1.96-2.15 (m, 2H), 4.49 (tt, J = 12, 3.6, Hz, 1H), 7.18-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.30-7.39 (m, 1H), 7.62-7.70 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 19.4$, 20.3, 25.8, 26.1, 30.1, 32.6, 32.9, 56.1, 126.8, 128.3, 129.6, 131.6, 133.9, 139.5, 177.0. IR (neat): $\nu = 736$, 763, 783, 837, 868, 945, 1012, 1060, 1115, 1182, 1241, 1310, 1359, 1391, 1435, 1475, 1583, 1697, 2858, 2924 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₅H₂₁NOBr 326.0750, found 326.0753.



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N-(2-Bromophenyl)-*N*-cyclohexylpivalamide 1i:



Prepared according to **GP2** from 2-bromo-*N*-cyclohexylaniline and pyvalyl chloride. White solid, 96% yield, M. p. 97 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 0.78-1.05 (m, 2H), 1.20-1.44 (m, 3H), 1.50-1.60 (m, 1H), 1.63-1.71 (m, 1H), 1.71-1.82 (m, 1H), 1.85-1.98 (m, 1H), 2.02-2.17 (m, 1H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.96-4.28 (m, 1H), 7.11-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.25-7.33 (m, 1H), 7.54-7.68 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz): δ = 25.8, 26.3, 29.2, 29.7, 32.2, 41.8, 59.5, 127.5, 127.7, 129.5, 132.5, 133.8, 140.8, 177.6. IR (neat): v = 744, 762, 782, 896, 961, 1023, 1063, 1154, 1186, 1251, 1265, 1312, 1354, 1391, 1438, 1474, 1711, 2857, 2933 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₄H₁₉NO₂Br 312.0593, found 312.0600.





Methyl (2-bromophenyl)(isopropyl)carbamate 3a:



Prepared according to **GP2**. Pale yellow oil, 1.25 g, 85% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.03 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.32 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 4.36-4.42 (m, 1H), 7.15 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, *J* = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H).

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N-(2-bromophenyl)-N-isopropylisobutyramide 3b:



Prepared according to **GP2** from 2-bromo-*N*-isopropylaniline and isobutyril chloride. White solid (900 mg, 82%), m.p. 101 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.70 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.26 – 7.19 (m, 2H), 4.84 (hept, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 2.10 (hept, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 1H), 1.24 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.12 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 0.96 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 177.0, 139.3, 134.0, 131.4, 129.7, 128.3, 126.7, 48.1, 33.0, 22.4, 20.2, 19.5, 19.3. HRMS calcd. for C₁₃H₁₉N₁O₁Br 284.0644, found 284.0644 (accuracy 0.2 ppm). IR (neat): v = 2973 (m), 2933 (w), 1645 (vs), 1471 (s), 1433 (m), 1394 (s), 1366 (m), 1256 (s), 1243 (s), 1112 (m), 1027 (m), 773 (s) cm⁻¹.



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Table 3: Methyl (2-bromophenyl)(tetrahydro-2*H*-pyran-4-yl)carbamate **1j**:



Prepared according to **GP2.** White solid, 92% yield, M. p. 82 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.38 (qd, J = 12.4, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 1.70-2.01 (m, 2H), 2.02-2.22 (m, 1H), 3.42-3.60 (m, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.95 (ddt, J = 11.6, 4.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.04 (ddt, J = 12, 4.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.37-4.60 (m, 1H), 7.18-7.31 (m, 2H), 7.36-7.49 (m, 1H), 7.65-7.78 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 30.6, 32.9, 53.2, 55.3, 67.6, 126.2, 128.2, 129.4, 131.3, 133.6, 138.1, 155.5$. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 746, 766, 784, 825, 871, 959, 994, 1010, 1036, 1061, 1086, 1130, 1170, 1192, 1237, 1292, 1320, 1352, 1378, 1442, 1474, 1583, 1704, 2852, 2949 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₃H₁₇BrNO₃ 314.0386, found 314.0380.$



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Methyl (2-bromophenyl)(tetrahydro-2*H*-thiopyran-4-yl)carbamate 1k:



Prepared according to **GP2.** White solid, 62% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.16-1.46 (m, 5H), 1.60-1.67 (m, 2H), 1.72-1.82 (m, 2H), 1.96-2.06 (m, 2H), 3.27-3.40 (m, 1H), 4.77 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (dd, J = 8.4, 2 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 24.8$, 25.8, 32.9, 51.6, 98.9, 108.7, 110.7, 119.4, 133.1, 136.2, 147.4. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 808$, 885, 1033, 1099, 1157, 1186, 1237, 1272, 1257, 1337, 1412, 1450, 1515, 1598, 2216, 2854, 2930, 3401 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₃H₁₇BrSNO₂ 330.0157, found 330.0154.




tert-Butyl 4-((2-bromophenyl)(methoxycarbonyl)amino)piperidine-1-carboxylate 11:



Prepared according to **GP2.** White solid, 79% yield, M. p. 137 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.01-1.18 (m, 1H), 1.38 (s, 9H), 1.45-1.60 (m, 1H), 1.82-1.92 (m, 1H), 2.00-2.10 (m, 1H), 2.56-2.90 (m, 2H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 3.90-4.22 (m, 2H), 4.22-4.40 (m, 1H 7.14 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (td, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (dd, J = 8, 1.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 28.6$, 29.5, 31.9, 43.4, 53.3, 56.5, 79.8, 126.1, 128.2, 129.4, 131.2, 133.7, 138.1, 154.7, 155.5. IR (neat): $\upsilon =$ 746.8, 765, 820, 868, 957, 1030, 1060, 1085, 1136, 1167, 1233, 1248, 1281, 1314, 1364, 1395, 1427, 1470, 1682, 2856, 2977 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₈H₂₆BrN₂O₄ 413.1070, found 413.1082.



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Benzyl 4-((2-bromophenyl)(methoxycarbonyl)amino)piperidine-1-carboxylate 1m:



Prepared according to **GP2.** Colorless oil, 88% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.18-1.32 (m, 3H), 1.32-1.45 (m, 2H), 1.59-1.69 (m, 1H), 1.71-1.82 (m, 2H), 1.96-2.08 (m, 2H), 3.29-3.42 (m, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 4.70 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (dd, J = 8.8, 2 Hz, 1H), 8.08 (d, J = 2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 24.9$, 25.9, 33.0, 51.6, 51.9, 108.7, 110.1, 118.5, 130.8, 134.5, 147.7, 166.5. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 697$, 761, 818, 888, 901, 974, 1032, 1109, 1152, 1187, 1224, 1247, 1258, 1277, 1334, 1409, 1448, 1521, 1596, 1707, 2853, 2930, 3402 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₂₁H₂₄BrN₂O₄ 447.0913, found 447.0930.





Methyl (2-bromophenyl)(4,4-dimethylcyclohexyl)carbamate 1n:



Prepared according to **GP2.** Colorless oil, 87% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 0.74 (s, 3H), 0.85 (s, 3H), 1.09-1.45 (m, 5H), 1.57-1.67 (m, 1H), 1.67-1.75 (m, 1H), 1.85-1.96 (m, 1H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.92-4.10 (m, 1H), 7.12-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.31 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 24.2$, 25.8, 28.4, 29.7, 32.8, 38.3, 53.1, 59.0, 126.1, 128.1, 129.0, 130.9, 133.6, 139.1, 155.5. IR (neat): v = 723, 798, 835, 865, 1029, 1104, 1153, 1229, 1265, 1317, 1393, 1448, 1464, 1497, 1591, 2853, 2927, 3403 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₆H₂₃BrNO₂ 340.0906, found 340.0898.



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Methyl (2-bromophenyl)(1,4-dioxaspiro[4.5]decan-8-yl)carbamate 10:



Prepared according to **GP2.** Colorless oil, 66% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.12-1.32 (m, 1H), 1.54-1.82 (m, 6H), 1.82-1.91 (m, 1H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.76-3.92 (m, 4H), 4.15-4.35 (m, 1H), 7.12-7.21 (m, 2H), 7.30 (td, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 27.2$, 29.8, 34.1, 34.2, 53.2, 56.8, 64.5, 64.5, 107.8, 126.1, 128.2, 129.2, 131.1, 133.5, 138.3, 155.6. IR (neat): v = 791, 854, 883, 1028, 1100, 1148, 1190, 1236, 1265, 1315, 1399, 1453, 1506, 1587, 1609, 2853, 2928, 3407 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₆H₂₁NO₄Br 370.0648, found 370.0655.





Methyl (2-bromopyridin-3-yl)(cyclohexyl)carbamate 1p:



Prepared according to **GP2.** White solid, 53% yield, M. p. 69 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 0.83-1.02 (m, 2H), 1.16-1.44 (m, 3H), 1.51-1.64 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.82 (m, 2H), 1.90-2.13 (m, 1H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 4.01-4.25 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.30 (m, 1H), 7.42-7.55 (m, 1H), 8.27-8.36 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): δ = 25.5, 25.9, 26.0, 53.2, 58.4, 122.8, 134.1, 139.6, 148.3, 152.7, 155.2. IR (neat): υ = 761, 813, 823, 890, 960, 1027, 1061, 1094, 1136, 1155, 1191, 1242, 1254, 1282, 1310, 1354, 1386, 1404, 1440, 1561, 1697, 1716, 2856, 2930 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₃H₁₇BrN₂NaO₂ 335.0366, found 335.0366.



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Methyl (3-bromopyridin-2-yl)(cyclohexyl)carbamate 1q:



Prepared according to **GP2.** White solid, 82% yield, M. p. 63 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 0.88-1.10 (m, 2H), 1.17-1.40 (m, 2H), 1.50-2.36 (m, 6H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.98-4.20 (m, 1H), 7.11 (dd, J = 7.6, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.44 (dd, J = 4.8, 1.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta =$ 25.6, 26.1, 30.2, 32.6, 53.0, 58.7, 122.8, 124.0, 142.2, 147.6, 152.1, 154.8. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 630$, 671, 713, 765, 811, 892, 963, 983, 1025, 1048, 1084, 1123, 1159, 1201, 1240, 1281, 1319, 1353, 1387, 1427, 1446, 1572, 1696, 2856, 2938 cm⁻¹; EI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₃H₁₇N₂O₂Br 312.0473, found 312.0471.





Methyl (2-bromo-3-methylphenyl)(cyclohexyl)carbamate 1r:



Prepared according to **GP2.** White solid, 88% yield, M. p. 115 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 0.81-1.03 (m, 2H), 1.15-1.42 (m, 3H), 1.49-1.60 (m, 1H), 1.61-1.81 (m, 2H), 2.04-2.18 (m, 1H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 3.58 (s, 3H), 3.92-4.24 (m, 1H), 6.94-7.07 (m, 1H), 7.12-7.22 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): δ = 24.2, 25.7, 26.1, 30.2, 33.0, 53.0, 58.5, 127.1, 128.2, 128.7, 129.9, 139.1, 139.8, 155.5. IR (neat): v = 742, 764, 797, 872, 887, 962, 1012, 1033, 1069, 1106, 1152, 1190, 1241, 1274, 1306, 1352, 1387, 1411, 1440, 1469, 1572, 1696, 2854, 2931 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₅H₂₁NO₂Br 326.0750, found 326.0742.



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2.2.3 Characterization data and HPLC traces of C-H activation products

Ethyl 2,3,4,4a-tetrahydro-1*H*-carbazole-9(9a*H*)-carboxylate 2f:



White solid, 92% yield, M. p. 57 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.35 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.37-1.52 (m, 3H), 1.58-1.72 (m, 1H), 1.82-1.98 (m, 2H), 2.26-2.42 (m, 1H), 2.66-2.77 (m, 1H), 2.85-2.95 (m, 1H), 3.41 (dd, J = 10.8, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 4.19-4.37 (m, 2H), 6.96 (td, J = 7.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (dt, J = 7.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (tt, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H) ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 14.8$, 25.5, 26.1, 27.5, 32.0, 48.6, 61.6, 69.7, 115.1, 121.6, 122.7, 127.6, 133.7, 143.8, 155.1. IR (neat): v = 637, 652, 727, 749, 819, 837, 859, 894, 825, 969, 1035, 1043, 1025, 1043, 1055, 1114, 1128, 1152, 1194, 1225, 1245, 1261, 1308, 1329, 1354, 1369, 1381, 1408, 1459, 1475, 1606, 1703, 2857, 2930, 2982 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₅H₂₀NO₂ 246.1488, found 246.1486.





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The enantiomer ratio was determined by HPLC: (chiral column: OD-H, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 99 : 1, 0.5 mL/min, 254 nm); ret. time = 12.5 min [minor] and 14.5 min [major]. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +66$ (*c* = 1.0 in CH₂Cl₂).

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(4a*R*,9a*S*)-Benzyl 2,3,4,4a-tetrahydro-1*H*-carbazole-9(9a*H*)-carboxylate 2g:



White solid, 52% yield, 91% ee, M. p. 78 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.34-1.48 (m, 3H), 1.59-1.71 (m, 1H), 1.81-1.95 (m, 2H), 2.27-2.39 (m, 1H), 2.64-2.77 (m, 1H), 2.83-2.95 (m, 1H), 5.23 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (d, J = 12.4 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (td, J = 7.2, 0.4 Hz, 1H), 7.08 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz): $\delta = 25.5$, 26.1, 27.5, 32.0, 48.6, 67.4, 69.8, 115.3, 121.6, 122.9, 127.6, 128.4, 128.8, 133.8, 136.5, 143.7, 154.9. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 654$, 695, 748, 788, 835, 860, 900, 933, 1014, 1033, 1053, 1112, 1152, 1188, 1225, 1262, 1307, 1331, 1356, 1399, 1459, 1475, 1605, 1703, 2856, 2929, 3033 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₂₀H₂₂NO₂ 308.1645, found 308.1644.







The enantiomer ratio was determined by HPLC: (chiral column: (*R*,*R*)-Whelk-O1, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 99 : 1, 0.5 mL/min, 254 nm); ret. time = 31.9 min [major] and 35.0 min [minor]. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +0.4$ (*c* = 1.0 in CH₂Cl₂).

2-Methyl-1-(2,3,4,4a-tetrahydro-1*H*-carbazol-9(9a*H*)-yl)propan-1-one **2h**:



White solid, 68% yield, , 94% ee. M. p. 38 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.18 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.26 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.34-1.51 (m, 3H), 1.61-1.75 (m, 1H), 1.82-2.00 (m, 2H), 3.07 (sept, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (td, J = 11.6, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (td, J = 7.2, 0.4 Hz, 1H), 7.06-7.22 (m, 2H), 7.30-7.74 (brd, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 19.3$, 20.5, 25.7, 26.1, 27.4, 32.2, 33.5, 48.9, 70.8, 115.5, 121.9, 123.3, 127.4, 135.2, 144.0, 178.4. IR (neat): $\nu = 751$, 836, 933, 965, 1041, 1090, 1160, 1179, 1221, 1362, 1395, 1459, 1474, 1605, 1658, 2858, 2931 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₆H₂₂NO 244.1695, found 244.1685.



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The enantiomer ratio was determined by HPLC: (chiral column: OD-H, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 99 : 1, 0.5 mL/min, 254 nm); ret. time = 14.8 min [minor] and 18.9 min [major]. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -64$ (c = 1.0 in CH₂Cl₂).

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2,2-Dimethyl-1-(2,3,4,4a-tetrahydro-1*H*-carbazol-9(9a*H*)-yl)propan-1-one 2i:



Colorless oil, 33% yield, 83% ee, ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.36 (s, 9H), 1.36-1.50 (m, 4H), 1.82-1.95 (m, 2H), 2.25-2.36 (m, 1H), 2.55-2.75 (m, 2H), 3.47 (dd, J = 10.5, 3 Hz, 1H), 6.09 (t, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.04-7.12 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (125 MHz): $\delta = 25.0$, 26.3, 27.2, 28.6, 30.2, 42.0, 48.1, 73.1, 115.0, 122.0, 122.2, 126.4, 135.3, 145.7, 184.4. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 639$, 699, 731, 746, 835, 904, 925, 957, 1027, 1079, 1107, 1125, 1168, 1189, 1205, 1229, 1261, 1291, 1320, 1348, 1356, 1397, 1459, 1471, 1606, 1657, 2856, 2928 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₇H₂₄NO 258.1852, found 258.1857.





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The enantiomer ratio was determined by HPLC: (chiral column: OD-H, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 99 : 1, 0.5 mL/min, 254 nm); ret. time = 9.9 min [minor] and 11.5 min [major]. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -1.8$ (c = 0.2 in CH₂Cl₂).

(S)-2-methyl-1-(2-methylindolin-1-yl)propan-1-one 7b:



Asymmetric synthesis of indoline **7b** was carried out according to General procedure 3 with 0.30 mmol of compound **3b** using (*R*,*R*)-**4** as a ligand (10 mol%). Usual work up gives 60 mg (99 %) of (*S*)-**7b** as a colorless oil with ee 86%. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.22 (br s, 1H), 7.23 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 7.02 (t, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (s, 1H), 3.53 – 3.34 (m, 1H), 2.90 – 2.74 (m, 1H), 2.66 (d, *J* = 13.9 Hz, 1H), 1.40 – 1.19 (m, 9H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 175.8, 142.0, 130.6, 127.7, 125.1, 123.9, 118.3, 55.5, 36.6, 32.9, 22.6, 20.7, 19.6. HRMS calcd. for C₁₃H₁₈NO 204.1382, found 204.1381 (accuracy 0.9 ppm).



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The enantiomeric ratio was determined by HPLC: (chiral column: AD-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99 : 1, 1 mL/min, 254 nm); $t_{\rm R}$ = 17.8 min [major] and 20.5 min [minor]. [α]_D²² = +27.5 (*c* = 1.0 in CH₂Cl₂).

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Table 3:

(4a*R*,9b*S*)-Methyl 1,4,4a,9b-tetrahydropyrano[4,3-b]indole-5(3*H*)-carboxylate **2j**:



Colorless oil, 69% yield, 87% ee, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 2.10 (qd, J = 12, 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.71 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1H), 3.03 (qd, J = 12, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.51 (td, J = 12.4, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.55-3.65 (m, 2H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 4.15 (ddd, J = 12, 4.4, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (dd, J = 10.4, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 6.98 (t, J = 7.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (tt, J = 8, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.76 (t, J = 8 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 34.0, 47.8, 52.7, 67.0, 67.5, 69.4, 115.5, 122.0, 123.1, 128.2, 129.9, 143.4, 155.2.$ IR (neat): $\upsilon = 730, 751, 862, 915, 976, 1018, 1044, 1090, 1127, 1165, 1201, 1224, 1261, 1321, 1342, 1363, 1392, 1443, 1477, 1607, 1689, 2865, 2977 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₃H₁₆NO₃ 234.1124, found 234.1120.$







The enantiomer ratio was determined by HPLC: (chiral column: (*R*,*R*)-Whelk-O1, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 98 : 2, 0.5 mL/min, 254 nm); ret. time = 34.1 min [major] and 39.5 min [minor]. $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = +49 (*c* = 1.0 in CH₂Cl₂).

(4a*S*,9b*R*)-Methyl 1,4,4a,9b-tetrahydrothiopyrano[4,3-b]indole-5(3*H*)-carboxylate **2k**:



Colorless oil, 92% yield, 93% ee, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.85 (qd, J = 12, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.72-2.82 (m, 4H), 2.88 (dd, J = 12.4, 11.2 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (dd, J = 12.4, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.11-3.12 (m, 1H), 3.21-3.37 (m, 2H), 3.44 (td, J = 12, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 7.00 (td, J = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (t, J = 7.6, Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 28.3$, 30.6, 33.6, 49.0, 52.7, 115.1, 121.6, 122.9, 128.1, 131.5, 142.4, 155.3. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 730$, 751, 862, 915, 976, 1018, 1044, 1090, 1127, 1165, 1201, 1224, 1261, 1321, 1342, 1363, 1392, 1443, 1477, 1607, 1689, 2865, 2977 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₃H₁₆NO₂S 250.0896, found 249.0893.



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The enantiomer ratio was determined by HPLC: (chiral column: AS-H, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 98 : 2, 0.5 mL/min, 254 nm); ret. time = 15.8 min [major] and 18.9 min [minor]. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +0.9$ (*c* = 1.0 in CH₂Cl₂).

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(4aS,9bS)-2-*tert*-Butyl 5-methyl 4,4a-dihydro-1*H*-pyrido[4,3-b]indole-2,5(3*H*,9b*H*)-dicarboxylate **2l**:



Colorless oil, 93% yield, 95% ee, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.48 (s, 9H), 1.85 (qd, J = 13.2, 4.8 Hz, 1H), 2.70-3.00 (m, 4H), 3.51 (td, J = 11.6, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 4.20-5.00 (m, 2H), 6.99 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.11 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 28.6$, 31.6, 42.9, 43.5, 45.6, 46.1, 47.3, 52.7, 60.6, 68.3, 80.4, 115.4, 122.1, 123.1, 128.3, 130.2, 143.9, 155.3. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 621$, 647, 730, 751, 801, 837, 862, 915, 976, 1018, 1044, 1090, 1127, 1165, 1201, 1224, 1261, 1321, 1342, 1363, 1392, 1444, 1477, 1607, 1689, 2865, 2977 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₈H₂₅N₂O₄ 333.1808, found 333.1809.





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The enantiomer ratio was determined by HPLC: (chiral column: OD-H, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 99 : 1, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm); ret. time = 17.0 min [major] and 20.5 min [minor]. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -0.6$ (c = 0.1 in CH₂Cl₂).

(4aS,9bS)-2-Benzyl 5-methyl 4,4a-dihydro-1*H*-pyrido[4,3-b]indole-2,5(3*H*,9b*H*)-dicarboxylate **2m**:



Orange oil, 55% yield, 91% ee, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.76-1.98 (m, 1H), 2.70-3.10 (m, 4H), 3.53 (td, J = 12, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 4.30-4.98 (m, 2H), 5.10-5.24 (m, 2H), 6.99 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.26-7.47 (m, 5H), 7.73 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 31.6, 43.4, 46.1, 47.2, 52.8, 67.7, 68.1, 115.4, 122.1, 123.2, 128.2, 128.3, 128.8, 129.9, 136.8, 143.8, 155.2. IR (neat): <math>v = 730, 751, 862, 915, 976, 1018, 1044, 1090, 1127, 1165, 1201, 1224, 1261, 1321, 1342, 1363, 1392, 1443, 1477, 1607, 1689, 2865, 2977 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₈H₂₇N₂O₄ 367.1652, found 367.1652.$



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The enantiomer ratio was determined by HPLC: (chiral column: OD-H, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 95 : 5, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm); ret. time = 23.6 min [major] and 26.7 min [minor]. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +16$ (*c* = 1.0 in CH₂Cl₂).

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(4a*R*,9a*S*)-Methyl 3,3-dimethyl-2,3,4,4a-tetrahydro-1*H*-carbazole-9(9a*H*)-carboxylate **2n**:



Colorless oil, 39% yield, 92% ee, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.03 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 6H), 1.30-1.44 (m, 2H), 1.59 (dd, J = 14, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 1.79 (dd, J = 12.8, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.98 (td, J = 12.8, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.69 (dq, J = 12.8, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (td, J = 12.4, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 6.96 (td, J = 7.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (dt, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (tt, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (t, J = 8 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): δ = 26.2, 28.0, 31.9, 32.9, 39.1, 40.3, 44.2, 52.5, 70.4, 115.1, 121.4, 122.8, 127.5, 133.9, 144.1, 155.5. IR (neat): v = 749, 793, 819, 861, 932, 966, 1020, 1047, 1068, 1086, 1112, 1128, 1154, 1197, 1231, 1255, 1279, 1314, 1336, 1362, 1387, 1441, 1459, 1476, 1606, 1706, 2852, 2912 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₆H₂₂NO₂ 260.1650, found 260.1646.




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The enantiomer ratio was determined by HPLC: (chiral column: OD-H, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 99 : 1, 0.5 mL/min, 254 nm); ret. time = 12.2 min [major] and 15.7 min [minor]. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -41.6$ (*c* = 0.5 in CH₂Cl₂).

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(4a*R*,9a*S*)-Methyl 1,4,4a,9a-tetrahydrospiro[carbazole-3,2'-[1,3]dioxolane]-9(2*H*)-carboxylate **20**:



Colorless oil, 50% yield, 78% ee, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.66-1.77 (m, 2H), 1.80-1.95 (m, 2H), 2.35 (dd, J = 12.4, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 2.77-2.89 (m, 1H), 3.13 (td, J = 12.8, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 3.43-3.53 (m, 1H), 3.95-4.06 (m, 4H), 6.97 (td, J = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (t, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (dt, J = 7.2, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (tt, J = 8, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 28.2, 34.6, 36.7, 45.6, 52.6, 64.7, 64.9, 68.5, 109.0, 115.2, 121.5, 122.9, 127.7, 132.6, 144.2, 155.5. IR (neat): <math>\upsilon = 752, 793, 817, 856, 887, 938, 995, 1014, 1022, 1036, 1060, 1087, 1108, 1125, 1144, 1202, 1225, 1263, 1282, 1319, 1339, 1364, 1388, 1442, 1460, 1476, 1606, 1705, 2884, 2953 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₆H₂₀NO₄ 290.1386, found 290.1379.$







The enantiomer ratio was determined by HPLC: (chiral column: OD-H, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 95 : 5, 1.0 mL/min, 254 nm); ret. time = 10.7 min [major] and 13.2 min [minor]. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = +30$ (c = 0.5 in CH₂Cl₂).

(5aR,9aR)-Methyl 5a,6,7,8,9,9a-hexahydro-5*H*-pyrido[3,2-b]indole-5-carboxylate **2p**:



Light yellow solid, 77% yield, 80% ee, M. p. 90 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.35-1.74 (m, 5H), 1.84-2.02 (m, 2H), 2.47-2.57 (m, 1H), 2.69-2.82 (m, 1H), 2.82-2.95 (m, 1H), 3.48 (dd, J = 11.4, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 7.05 (dd, J = 8, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.90 (d, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 8.10 (dd, J = 4.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 25.5$, 26.0, 26.4, 29.9, 32.0, 49.9, 52.8, 68.5, 121.4, 122.2, 138.3, 143.3, 154.7, 155.7. IR (neat): $\upsilon = 741$, 768, 794, 1031, 1063, 1116, 1147, 1205, 1273, 1305, 1335, 1363, 1427, 1445, 1592, 1715, 2857, 2929 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₃H₁₇N₂O₂ 233.1284, found 233.1286.





The enantiomer ratio was determined by HPLC: (chiral column: OD-H, hexane/2-propanol = 99 : 1, 0.5 mL/min, 254 nm); ret. time = 27.1 min [major] and 29.7 min [minor]. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -11.4$ (c = 0.1 in CH₂Cl₂).

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Methyl 5-methyl-2,3,4,4a-tetrahydro-1*H*-carbazole-9(9a*H*)-carboxylate 2r:



White solid, 18% yield, 99% ee, M. p. 67 °C, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.32-1.68 (m, 4H), 1.80-1.97 (m, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.58-2.69 (m, 1H), 2.80 (td, J = 12.4, 2 Hz, 1H), 2.88-2.98 (m, 1H), 3.41 (d, J = 11.6, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 6.72 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (t, J = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 20.0, 25.2, 26.2, 29.6, 31.8, 49.5, 52.5, 69.0, 112.9, 125.3, 127.4, 130.8, 134.0, 143.8, 155.5. IR (neat): <math>\upsilon = 715, 776, 981, 1012, 1037, 1055, 1098, 1113, 1130, 1150, 1167, 1197, 1238, 1250, 1287, 1307, 1330, 1352, 1385, 1440, 1589, 1701, 2858, 2947 cm⁻¹; ESI-HRMS calcd. for C₁₅H₂₀NO₂ 246.1488, found 246.1492.$







The enantiomer ratio was determined by HPLC: (chiral column: AD-H, *n*-hexane/2-propanol = 99 : 1, 0.5 mL/min, 254 nm); ret. time = 10.5 min [major] and 15.7 min [minor]. $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -78$ (c = 1.0 in CH₂Cl₂).

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3. KIE measurements

3.1. Intermolecular KIE

2-Bromo-*N*-isopropylaniline-*d*₆:^v

A round bottom flask was charged with a stirring bar and sodium triacetoxyborohydride (3.05 g, 14.4 mmol) and capped with a septum. Acetone-d₆ (923 μ L, 14.4 mmol) was added via syringe to the flask followed by 2-iodoaniline (0.62 g, 3.6 mmol) dissolved in 1/1 THF/dichloromethane (12 mL). Two drops of CD₃COOD were introduced and the heterogeneous mixture was stirred for 28 h. The reaction was quenched with water (15 mL) and the resulting biphasic solution was extracted with dichloromethane (3 x 20 mL). The combined organic fractions were washed with brine, dried with MgSO₄, filtered and concentrated *in vacuo*. The crude oil was purified by silica gel flash chromatography (pentane/ethyl acetate, 97/3) to give 0.51 g of the title compound as a clear oil (51 % yield). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.26 (m, 0.19H), 3.64 (s, 1H), 4.13 (br s, 1H), 6.51 (td, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.6Hz, 1H), 7.15 (dd, *J* = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (dd, *J* = 8, 1.6 Hz, 1H).

Methyl (2-bromophenyl)(isopropyl)carbamate **3a**-*d*₆:



Prepared according to **GP2** from 2-bromo-*N*-isopropylaniline-*d*₆. Colorless oil, 0.44 g, 88% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.00 (m, 0.2H), 1.36 (m, 0.37H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 4.36-4.42 (m, 1H), 7.15 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (td, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 18.9$ (m), 22.0 (m), 50.5, 53.0, 126.1, 128.0, 129.1, 130.8, 133.6, 138.6, 155.4. MS (ESI, 70 eV): m/z (%) = 199 (M-Br+H)⁺. Estimated D-content is ~94 %. ²H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.01 (s, 3D), 1.30 (s, 3D).



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Racemic synthesis of indoline (*rac*)-7a-*d*₅ using 6 as a ligand:



Substrate **3a**- d_6 (57.0 mg, 0.2 mmol), cesium carbonate (97.5 mg, 0.3 mmol), [Pd(π -cinnamyl)Cl]₂ (5.2 mg, 0.01 mmol), cesium pivalate (46.8 mg, 0.2 mmol) and **6**-HCl (8.5 mg, 0.02 mmol) were placed in a Schlenk flask. After the flask was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen, dry xylene 2 mL was added under nitrogen. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 140 °C in the Schlenk tube behind a protective shield for 20 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to r.t. and diluted with dichloromethane (2 mL) followed by filtration through the pad of celite. The filtrate was evaporated by rotary evaporator and the volatiles were removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by f.c. (silica gel; ethyl acetate : pentane = 1 : 30 as eluent) to afford indoline **7a**- d_5 in 76% yield (30.0 mg) as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.26 (0.28H), 2.62 (d, 0.04H), 3.34 (d, 0.04H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 4.40-4.65 (m, 1H), 6.57 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.44-8.10 (br d, 1H). ²H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.29 (s, 3D), 2.63 (s, 1D), 3.37 (s, 1D). Estimated D-content is ~96 %. MS (ESI, 70 eV): m/z (%) = 197 (M+H)⁺. HRMS calcd. for C₁₁H₉D₅N₁O₂ 197.1332, found 197.1336 (accuracy 1.6 ppm).



Asymmetric synthesis of indoline (*S*)-**7a**-*d*₅ was carried out according to **GP5** with 0.20 mmol of compound **3a**-*d*₆ using (*S*,*S*)-**8** as ligand. Usual work up gives 29 mg (74 %) of (*S*)-**7a**-*d*₅ as a colorless oil with ee 94%. The enantiomeric ratio was determined by HPLC: (chiral column: AS-H, *n*-hexane/*i*-propanol = 99 : 1, 0.5 mL/min, 254 nm); $t_{\rm R}$ = 12.4 min [major] and 14.7 min [minor].



Kinetic isotope effect (KIE) measurements.

Carbamates **3a** (27.2 mg, 0.10 mmol) and **3a**- d_6 (27.8 mg, 0.10 mmol), cesium carbonate (97.5 mg, 0.30 mmol), cesium pivalate (46.8 mg, 0.2 mmol) [Pd(π -cinnamyl)Cl]₂ (2.6 mg, 0.005 mmol) and **6**-HCl (4.3 mg, 0.01 mmol) were placed in a dry Schlenk tube (20 mL). After the flask was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen, dry, degassed xylene (2 mL) was added under nitrogen. The reaction mixture was stirred at 140 °C in the Schlenk tube for 3 hours, then cooled to room temperature, diluted with dichloromethane (10 mL) and then filtered through a pad of celite. Volatiles were removed under vacuum. Analysis by ¹H-NMR showed 20% conversion to product. Flash chromatography (silica gel; ethyl acetate : pentane = 1 : 10 as eluent) afforded **7a/7a-d**₅ (8 mg, 20%) and recovered **3a/3a-d**₆ (27 mg, 50%). The deuterium content in the starting mixture of substrates **3a/3a-d**₆ and in product **7a/7a-d**₅ was determined by ¹H NMR.

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Scheme S1. Intermolecular KIE of C(sp³)-H activation.



Figure S1. ¹H NMR spectra of KIE experiments: initial mixture of substrates **3a**-H/**3a**-d₆ (top), mixture of products **7a**-H/**7a**-d₅ after 3 h (bottom).

Calculation of KIE effect $k_{\rm H}/k_{\rm D.}$

Assuming first order kinetics in substrates 3a-H and 3a-D

$$3a_{H} \xrightarrow{k_{H}} 7a_{H}$$

$$3a_{D} \xrightarrow{k_{D}} 7a_{D}$$
(1)

We can divide both kinetic laws to obtain equation (3) for KIE:

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$$KIE = \frac{k_H}{k_D}$$
(2)
$$KIE \frac{d[3a_D]}{[3a_D]} = \frac{d[3a_H]}{[3a_H]}$$
(3)

Integration of eq. (3) gives eq. (4):

$$KIE = \frac{\ln([3a_{H}]/[3a_{H}]_{0})}{\ln([3a_{D}]/[3a_{D}]_{0})}$$
(4)

Now we can express conversions of both substrates through the experimentally measured conversion:

$$y = \frac{[7a_{H}] + [7a_{D}]}{[3a_{H}]_{0} + [3a_{D}]_{0}} = \frac{[3a_{H}]_{0} + [3a_{D}]_{0} - [3a_{H}] + [3a_{D}]}{[3a_{H}]_{0} + [3a_{D}]_{0}}$$
(5),

initial ratio of substrates:

$$c_0 = [3a_H]_0 / [3a_D]_0 \tag{6}$$

and actual ratio of products:

$$d = [7a_H]/[7a_D] \tag{7}$$

From equations (5-7) we obtain:

$$[3a_{H}]/[3a_{H}]_{0} = 1 - y \cdot \frac{1 + 1/c_{0}}{1 + 1/d}$$
(8)

and

$$[3a_D]/[3a_D]_0 = 1 - y \cdot \frac{1 + c_0}{1 + d}$$
⁽⁹⁾

Combining equations (4) with (8) and (9) gives the final equation (10) for KIE:

$$KIE = \frac{\ln\left[1 - y \cdot \frac{1 + 1/c_0}{1 + 1/d}\right]}{\ln\left[1 - y \cdot \frac{1 + c_0}{1 + d}\right]}$$
(10)

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3.2. Intramolecular KIE

3.2.1 Synthesis of substrate



Isobutyric acid-d₃

The LDA solution was prepared by dropwise addition of *n*BuLi solution (1.6 M in hexanes, 66 mmol) to the solution of *i*Pr₂NH (9.3 ml, 66 mmol) in 100 ml of THF at -78°C. After stirring for 30 min at 0°C, the mixture was cooled to -78°C and propionic acid (2.25 ml, 30 mmol) dissolved in THF (10 ml) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at -78°C and iodomethane-*d*₃ (2.1 ml, 33 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred at rt overnight, poured into ice water (60 ml), and the organic layer separated. The aqueous layer was acidified with aqueous hydrogen chloride (2M) and extracted with diethyl ether (9x50 ml). The combined organic extract was washed with water (6 ml), aqueous sodium chloride (saturated; 6 ml), dried (MgSO,), and the solvent removed. The residual oil was distilled (60 °C at 3 mbar) to give isobutyric acid-*d*₃ as a liquid (2.20 g, 81% yield). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 2.62 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 1.25 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): δ = 18.9, 33.8, 183.9. ²H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.19 (1D).

tert-butyl isopropylcarbamate-*d*₃



To a solution of sodium azide (2.27 g, 35.0 mmol), tetrabutylammonium bromide (484.0 mg, 1.5 mmol), zinc triflate (II) (120.0 mg, 330 μ mol) and *d*₃-isobutyric acid (910 mg, 10 mmol) in THF (100 mL) was added di-*tert*-butyldicarbonate (2.53 mL, 11.0 mmol). The resulting mixture was then stirred at 40 °C for 43 h. After completion a 10% solution of NaNO₂ (30 mL) was added. The mixture was then diluted with ethyl acetate (30 mL), and the resulting mixture was stirred during 20 min at room temperature. The aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 x 40 mL) and the combined organic layers were washed with saturated NH₄Cl (2 x 30 mL), with saturated NaHCO₃ (2 x 30 mL) and brine (30 mL). The organic layer was dried over Na₂SO₄ and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The crude carbamate was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel to give 840 mg (52% yield) of product as white crystals. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 4.33 (s, 1H), 3.74 (s, 1H), 1.45 (s, 9H), 1.14 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H).

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Iso-propylamine-d₃ hydrochloride

tert-butyl *iso*-propylcarbamate-*d*₃ (840 mg, 5.2 mmol) was dissolved in ethereal 2 M HCl (29 mL). The solution was stirred for 40 h, during which a precipitate was formed. The crystals were filtered off, washed with ether, and dried. This afforded the ammonium salt (395 mg, 77%) as yellowish solid. ¹H NMR (D₂O, 300 MHz): 3.36 (m, 1H), 1.18 (d, J = 7 Hz, 3H). NMR data were in agreement with a literature report for the *tert*-butyl *iso*-propylcarbamate.

2-Bromo-*N*-isopropylaniline-*d*₃:

Pd₂(dba)₃ (103.5 mg, 2.5 mol%), *rac*-BINAP (186.9 mg, 7.5 mol%), and sodium *tert*-butoxide (922.6 mg, 9.6 mmol) were successfully filled into a microwave vial. After the vial was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen, dry toluene (10 mL), isopropylamine- d_3 hydrochloride (395 mg. 4.0 mmol) and 1,2-dibromobenzene (944 mg, 4 mmol) were added under nitrogen. The vial was capped and the resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 80 °C for 17 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled down to room temperature and diluted with ethylacetate (10 ml) followed by filtration through the pad of celite. The filtrate was evaporated by rotary evaporator and the volatiles were removed under high vacuum. The residue was purified by flash column chromatography (silica gel; pentane as eluent) to afford 355 mg (41% yield) of product as colorless oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.27 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 3.66 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (br s, 1H), 6.55 (td, J = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.63 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (ddd, J = 8.5, 7.3, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (dd, J = 7.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 22.4$ (hept, J = 19.2 Hz, CD₃), 23.1, 44.3, 110.0, 112.0, 117.4, 128.6, 132.7, 144.5. ²H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.25 (s, 3D).

Methyl (2-bromophenyl)(isopropyl)carbamate-*d*₃ **3a**-*d*₃:

Colorless oil, 81% yield, ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.03 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 1.5H), δ 1.31 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 1.5H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 4.50 (m, 1H), 7.17 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (td, J = 7.6, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 7.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz): $\delta = 19.8$, 22.7, 50.3, 53.0, 126.1, 128.0, 129.1, 130.8, 133.6, 138.6, 155.4. ²H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.00 (s, 1D), 1.28 (s, 1D). HRMS calcd. for C₁₂H₁₂D₃BrN₁O₂ 275.0468, found 275.0472 (accuracy 1.1 ppm).



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3.2.2 Kinetic isotope effect (KIE) measurement

Racemic C-H activation of carbamate **3a**- d_3 was carried out according to **GP4** with 0.20 mmol of substrate using **6** as a ligand. Usual work up gives 7.5 mg (39 %) of **7a**- d_3/d_2 as a colorless oil. KIE effect $k_{\rm H}/k_{\rm D} = [\text{H-act}]/[\text{D-act}] = [\textbf{7a}-d_2]/[\textbf{7a}-d_3] = 5.5$.



Asymmetric C-H activation of carbamate **3a**- d_3 was carried out according to **GP5** with 0.20 mmol of substrate using (*S*,*S*)-**8** as a ligand. Usual work up gives 33 mg (85 %) of (*S*)-**7a**- d_3/d_2 as a colorless oil. KIE effect $k_{\rm H}/k_{\rm D} = [\text{H-act}]/[\text{D-act}] = 1.1$.



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4. Isolation of intermediates

4.1. Synthesis of complex 9



Pd(dba)₂ (115 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 eq.), chiral carbene precursor (*S*,*S*)-**8**-HI (103.4 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 eq.) and NaO*t*Bu (19.2 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 eq.) were placed into a dried Schlenk tube under N₂. Dimethoxyethane (DME) (2 mL) (freshly distilled over Na and benzophenone) was added and the reaction mixture stirred for one hour at room temperature. Substrate **3b** (56.6 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 eq.) was then added as a solution in DME (2 mL). The reaction was stirred at ambient temperature for 15 hours and then quenched with aq. NH₄Cl and filtered through celite. After evaporation of volatiles, the residue was purified by f.c. over SiO₂ (cyclohexane/EtOAc 5/1) followed by f.c. over SiO₂ (cyclohexane/CH₂Cl₂ gradient from 1/1 to 1/3) to give complex **9** (110 mg, 67%) as an off-white solid. The crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were obtained by diffusion of hexane into an etheral solution of complex.

(*S*,*S*)-9:

[α]_D²² = -125.0 (*c* = 1.0 in CH₂Cl₂), m.p. 230 °C (decomp.). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 7.67 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.57 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.19 – 7.14 (m, 2H), 7.11 – 7.05 (m, 3H), 7.02 (td, *J* = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.65 – 6.61 (m, 1H), 6.15 (s, 1H), 5.86 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.41 (hept, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.08 (hept, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 2.85 (s, 3H), 2.82 (s, 3H), 1.64 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.43 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.31 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.20 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.09 (s, 9H), 0.59 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 179.91, 172.14, 142.04, 137.81, 137.36, 136.55, 135.99, 135.76, 135.49, 130.37, 130.12, 128.45, 127.09, 126.44, 126.25, 124.23, 124.21, 123.87, 122.26, 119.89, 118.53, 117.90, 67.28, 66.73, 51.57, 36.55, 36.07, 32.45, 27.94, 27.22, 23.45, 22.54, 21.20, 20.87, 19.72, 19.14. HRMS (EI): calcd. for C₄₀H₅₄N₃OPd ([M-I]⁺): 698.3296, found: 698.3274. IR (neat): ν = 2960 (m), 1672 (w), 1583 (s), 1551 (m), 1422 (s), 1364 (m), 1260 (m), 1227 (m), 1196 (m), 1162 (m), 1094 (m), 1027 (m), 745 (s) cm⁻¹.



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4.2. Synthesis of complex 10



Complex **9** (58.0 mg, 0.07 mmol) and silver acetate (17.6 mg, 0.105 mmol) were placed in a Schlenk flask. After the flask was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen, dry CH_2Cl_2 (1 mL) was added under nitrogen. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 60 min. The reaction mixture was diluted with dichloromethane (2 mL) followed by filtration through the pad of celite. The filtrate was evaporated by rotary evaporator and the volatiles were removed under vacuum. The residue was recrystallized from diethyl ether/hexane mixture to give complex **10** (20 mg, 38%) as an off-white solid.



Figure S2. ¹H NMR spectra of complexes 9 and 10 recorded in CD₂Cl₂.

(*S*,*S*)-10:

[α]_D²² = -6.3 (*c* = 1.0 in CH₂Cl₂), m.p. 110 °C (decomp.). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 7.78 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, *J* = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (s, 1H), 7.49 (dd, *J* = 7.9, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.41 – 7.35 (m, 1H), 7.29 – 7.21 (m, 2H), 7.18 (ddd, *J* = 7.8, 3.1, 1.7 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.94 (dd, *J* = 8.1, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (ddd, *J* = 8.2, 7.1, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (s, 1H), 5.92 – 5.86 (m, 1H), 5.18 (dd, *J* = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 4.51 (hept, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 3.17 (hept, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1H), 3.01 (s, 3H), 2.91 (s, 3H), 1.73 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.57 (br s, 3H, COCH₃), 1.41 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H), 1.40 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.29 (d, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 1.08 (s, 9H), 0.66 (s, 9H). ¹³C NMR (126 MHz, CD₂Cl₂) δ 181.54, 176.50, 173.73, 140.40, 139.81, 138.44, 137.83, 137.50, 137.35, 137.18, 131.61, 131.36, 128.89, 128.24, 127.62, 127.44, 125.51, 125.36, 124.71, 123.16, 120.91, 119.62, 119.29, 68.18, 67.89, 52.75, 37.42, 37.37, 33.53, 28.38, 27.87, 24.80, 24.64, 22.91, 22.42, 22.09, 20.75, 20.28. IR (neat): ν = 2965 (m), 1582 (s), 1548 (m), 1419 (m), 1368 (s), 1321 (m), 1260 (s), 1227 (m), 1196 (m), 1164 (m), 1093 (s), 1023 (m), 799 (s), 746 (vs) cm⁻¹.





4.3. Catalytic and stoichiometric studies with complexes 9 and 10

Typical procedure for the catalytic reaction with complex 9 (Table 6, entry 3).

Amide **3b** (28.3 mg, 0.1 mmol), cesium carbonate (48.7 mg, 0.15 mmol) and cesium pivalate (23.4 mg, 0.1 mmol) were placed in a Schlenk flask. After the flask was evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen, a solution of complex **9** (0.005 mmol) in dry xylenes (1 mL) was added under nitrogen. A solution of cinnamylacetate (0.006 mmol) in dry xylenes (1 mL) was subsequently added. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 140 °C in the Schlenk tube behind a protective shield for 24 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to r.t. and diluted with dichloromethane (2 mL) followed by filtration through a pad of celite. The filtrate was evaporated by rotary evaporator and the volatiles were removed under vacuum. The residue was purified by f.c. (silica gel; ethyl acetate/pentane mixtures as eluent) to afford product **7b** in 99% yield and 86% ee.

Typical procedure for the stoichiometric reaction with complex 9 (Table 7, entry 5).

Cesium carbonate (97.5 mg, 0.3 mmol, 15 eq) and cesium pivalate (46.8 mg, 0.2 mmol, 10 eq) were placed in a Schlenk flask. Solution of complex **9** (0.02 mmol, 1 eq) and hexamethylbenzene (0.003 mmol, 0.16 eq) in dry xylenes (1.0 ml) was added under nitrogen. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 140 °C in the Schlenk tube behind a protective shield for 24 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled to r.t. and diluted with dichloromethane (2 mL) followed by filtration through a pad of celite. The filtrate was evaporated by rotary evaporator and analysed by ¹H NMR and HPLC.

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5. Computational details

Density functional [M06-L/LANL2DZ,6-31G(d,p)] calculations were used to examine important segments of the potential energy surface for the C(sp³)-H arylation.^{vi,vii} The geometry optimizations have been carried out using standard double- ζ basis sets (LANL2DZ) and effective core potentials (ECPs) for the heavy elements (Pd, Cl, Br, I). The 6-31G(d,p) basis set on other atoms (N, H, C, O) was used. Single point PCM calculations in xylene of all the gas phase optimized structures yielded the solvent corrected energy E_{solv} . ^{viii} The united atom topological model with UAHF radii was used. For the PCM calculations, the same level of theory as in the gas phase calculations was used. Thermochemical corrections to free energies (G_{298}) and enthalpies at 298.15 K (H_{298}), as well as at 413.15 K, have been calculated at the same level as that used for geometry optimization. Gas phase Gibbs free energy corrections G_{corr} were considered for each species and the total Gibbs free energy G of each optimized structure was taken as $G = E_{solv} + G_{corr}$. A frequency calculation was performed on all intermediates and transition states to verify minima and first order saddle points, respectively. Intrinsic reaction coordinate (irc) calculations were used to connect transition states TS1-2, TS4-5 and TS4-5_{trans} with the corresponding intermediates INT1, INT2'_{Br} and INT4, INT5, and INT4_{trans}, INT5_{trans} respectively. The calculations were performed with the Gaussian09 package.^{ix}

5.1. Methods screening: comparison with the known x-ray structures.

5.1.1 Basis set screening

Basis set	t-Bu I-Pd com_a	t-Bu NNN I-Pd-O N Ph	t-Bu NNN I-Pd-O N Ph	Averaged RMSD
		com_o	com_c	
bs1	0.24366	0.75605	0.32999	0.44323
bs2	0.24294	0.75840	0.50097	0.50077
bs3	0.25774	0.78206	0.45126	0.49702
bs4	0.25587	0.77405	0.34473	0.45822
Avera ged	0.25005	0.76764	0.40674	

Table S1.1. Basis set screening: RMSD values between x-ray and B3LYP/* optimized structures.

* Error terminations after 50 cycles (forces converged, displacement not).

Table S1.2. Basis set screening: computation	n times (in h) on 4p computers.
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Basis set	com_a	com_b	com_c
bs1	17.0	38.0	47.0
bs2	16.0	38.0	45.5
bs3	27.0	61.0	67.5
bs4	32.0	70.0	67.0

Abbreviations:

bs1: LANL2DZ(d) on Pd, I; 6-31G(d,p) on N, C, O; 6-31G(d) on H.

bs2: LANL2DZ on all atoms.

bs3: SDDAll on Pd, I (takes MWB28/46); 6-31G(d,p) on N, H, C, O.

bs4: MHF28 on Pd; MDF46 on I; 6-31G(d,p) on N, H, C, O.

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Bond length, Å	t-Bu N N t-Bu I-Pd com_a		t-Bu I-Pd com_a t-Bu I-Pd-O K Ph com_b		com_b	t-Bu N N N Ph com_c			
	Pd-I	Pd- C(NHC)	Pd- C2(allyl)	Pd-I	Pd- C(NHC)	Pd-C(Ar)	Pd-I	Pd- C(NHC)	Pd-C(Ar)
x-ray	2.65001	2.04356	2.15581	2.71006	1.95116	1.98227	2.69555	1.96499	2.00388
bs1	2.74884	2.07369	2.21246	2.79824	2.00388	2.03295	2.81109	2.00737	2.03098
bs2	2.74088	2.06091	2.24734	2.79175	2.00474	2.04259	2.80092	2.00575	2.04409
bs3	2.73108	2.06351	2.19130	2.77802	1.99854	2.02754	2.78891	2.00029	2.02822
bs4	2.71472	2.10820	2.23199	2.76216	2.03548	2.05682	2.77225	2.03887	2.05455

Table S1.3. Basis set screening: bond lengths in x-ray and B3LYP/* optimized structures.

Obtained data (Table S1.1) show that basis sets bs1 and bs4 show better performance in matching x-ray structures than bs2 and bs3 basis sets. Comparison of cpu times (Table S1.2) shows that employing bs4 basis set is much more time-consuming than basis set bs1 (*ca.* 2 times for studied systems). Examination of bond lengths between Pd and neighbouring atoms (Table S1.3) shows that Pd-I bond length is generally overestimated by more than 0.06 Å, whereas overestimation of Pd-C bonds is lower. Basis set bs4 shows worse performance for the latter.

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5.1.2. DFT method screening

Table S1.4. DFT methods screening: RMSD values between x-ray and DFT optimized structures.

DFT	Basis set	t-Bu N N H-Pd-O N Ph com_b	t-Bu I-Pd-O com_c	Averaged RMSD
B3LYP	bs1	0.75605	0.32999	0.54302
	bs4	0.77405	0.34473	0.55939
B3PW91	bs1	0.71725	0.35383	0.53554
	bs4	0.73489	0.34511	0.54000
PBE1PBE	bs1	0.59119	0.26415	0.42767
	bs2	0.60274	0.26886	0.43580
	bs3	0.61079	0.27075	0.44077
	bs4	0.58665	0.25948	0.42307
M06-L	bs1	0.56572	0.41262	0.48917
	bs2	0.56916	0.42223	0.49570
	bs3	0.56203	0.41815	0.49009
	bs4	0.54766	0.41269	0.48018
B97-D	bs1	0.48066	0.53571	0.50819
	bs4	0.46017	0.52989	0.49503

Abbreviations:

bs1: LANL2DZ(d) on Pd, I; 6-31G(d,p) on N, C, O; 6-31G(d) on H.

bs4: MHF28 on Pd; MDF46 on I; 6-31G(d,p) on N, H, C, O.

*for M06-L and B97-D (in Gaussian 09):

bs1: <u>LANL2DZ</u> on Pd, I; bs4: MHF28 on Pd; <u>MWB46</u> on I;

From this comparison (Table S1.4) it can be seen that PBE1PBE and M06-L methods give the lowest RMSD among studied DFT methods. Combination of these two methods with basis sets bs1 and bs4 shows slightly better performance. Comparison of cpu times (Table S1.5) shows that M06-L method is less time-consuming than PBE1PBE. In conclusion, we chose M06-L/bs1 method for geometry optimization of studied Pd systems.

DFT	Basis set	com_b	com_c
B3LYP	bs1	3.04	3.71
	bs4	5.55	5.34
B3PW91	bs1	3.14	3.00
	bs4	4.77	4.55
PBE1PBE	bs1	2.93	3.50
	bs2	2.55	3.46
	bs3	3.77	5.56
	bs4	5.29	6.31
M06-L	bs1	2.34	3.03
	bs2	2.53	3.25
	bs3	3.15	4.05
	bs4	3.64	2.82
B97-D	bs1	1.47	2.46
	bs4	2.30	3.34

Table S1.5. DFT methods screening: cpu times (in h) pro SCF cycle.

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5.2. Catalytic cycle with model NHC 5



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INT2'Br

2.259 Å

.187 Â

.399 Å



2.271 Å 0.994 Å 115 Å

INT4

4.158 Á



INT5



The Gibbs free energy profile (xylene, 298 K, kJ/mol) for the ligand exchange and CMD steps with triflate.



The Gibbs free energy profile (xylene, 298 K, kJ/mol) for the CMD steps with a *trans*-coodinated pivalate.

0 1	1	270	0 1				
	E _{tot}	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	ΔG_{298} gas phase	E _{tot}	G ₂₉₈	ΔG_{298} solution
Conformer	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	kJ/mol	PCM _{xylenes} M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes} M06- L/bs1	kJ/mol
Cl	-14.999287	-14.996927	-15.014310		-15.077259	-15.092282	
Br	-13.226077	-13.223717	-13.242253		-13.296367	-13.312543	
Ι	-11.454416	-11.452056	-11.471264		-11.515958	-11.532806	
tBuCOO ⁻	-346.422035	-346.279783	-346.320994		-346.484501	-346.383460	
TfO ⁻	-961.447169	-961.411589	-961.451993		-961.501182	-961.506006	
CsCl	-34.883610	-34.879305	-34.908655		-34.917901	-34.942946	
CsBr	-33.099105	-33.094821	-33.125395		-33.134464	-33.160754	
CsI	-31.315034	-31.310764	-31.342232		-31.348778	-31.375976	
CsOpiv	-366.311144	-366.164811	-366.212981		-366.334942	-366.236779	
CsOAc	-248.376778	-248.319301	-248.360142		-248.402611	-248.385975	
Catalyst							
PdNHC	-431.5812952	-431.443468	-431.488227		-431.589308	-431.496240	
3a				240.6			210.1
1	-645.9077701	-645.655807	-645.715502		-645.915966	-645.723698	
2	-645.9096699	-645.657887	-645.719029		-645.918196	-645.727556	
Oxidative addition							
INT1				180.2			155.5
6pre	-1077.534616	-1077.144127	-1077.230273		-1077.548938	-1077.244595	
TS1-2				191.5			170.6
2	-1077.531418	-1077.141565	-1077.225956		-1077.544312	-1077.238850	
3	-1077.531066	-1077.141391	-1077.225297		-1077.543849	-1077.238080	
INT2 _{Br} '				94.5			61.6
2.irc	-1077.570559	-1077.178671	-1077.262896		-1077.588019	-1077.280356	
<u>1a</u>	-1077.570778	-1077.178472	-1077.261894		-1077.588300	-1077.279417	
INT2 _{Cl}	-1079.380985	-1078.988555	-1079.070962	0.0			
1	-1079.380985	-1078.988555	-1079.070962		-1079.399792	-1079.089769	-9.8
2	-1079.380647	-1078.988154	-1079.069299				
3	-1079.378967	-1078.986172	-1079.066505				

Table S2.1. Calculated energies of conformers at M06-L level with basis set bs1: LANL2DZ on Pd, I; 6-31G(d,p) on N, C, O, H. Solvent effects in xylenes are included by PCM single point calculations at the same level with UAHF radii. ΔG_{298} are free energies relative to complex **INT4**. Thermal corrections are calculated at 298 K.

	E _{tot}	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	ΔG_{298} gas phase	E _{tot}	G ₂₉₈	ΔG_{298} solution
Conformer	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	kJ/mol	PCM _{xylenes} M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes} M06- L/bs1	kJ/mol
4	-1079.379048	-1078.986307	-1079.067589				
7	-1079.378335	-1078.985658	-1079.065994				
8	-1079.378063	-1078.985450	-1079.065769				
9	-1079.376786	-1078.984146	-1079.065324				
10	-1079.374264	-1078.981522	-1079.062040				
11	-1079.376077	-1078.983628	-1079.063423				
12	-1079.373860	-1078.981095	-1079.061231				
13	-1079.373193	-1078.980526	-1079.062057				
14	-1079.372544	-1078.980280	-1079.061039				
INT2 _{Br}	-1077.590985	-1077.198708	-1077.281585	45.5			
1	-1077.590810	-1077.198540	-1077.281585		-1077.609608	-1077.300383	9.1
2	-1077.590985	-1077.198708	-1077.281050				
3	-1077.589034	-1077.196508	-1077.279556				
4	-1077.590163	-1077.197475	-1077.280324				
7	-1077.589523	-1077.196770	-1077.278403				
8	-1077.589141	-1077.196311	-1077.277561				
9	-1077.586220	-1077.193956	-1077.276916				
INT2 _I	-1075.805907	-1075.413316	-1075.497055	81.0			
1	-1075.805408	-1075.412868	-1075.497055		-1075.822966	-1075.514613	11.7
2	-1075.804955	-1075.412384	-1075.495538				
3	-1075.803118	-1075.410459	-1075.493659				
4	-1075.805907	-1075.413316	-1075.496735				
7	-1075.804211	-1075.411774	-1075.496587				
8	-1075.803271	-1075.411007	-1075.494055				
9	-1075.799524	-1075.407191	-1075.489643				
INT2 _{Ac}	-1292.868040	-1292.421935	-1292.510838	14.3	-1292.885193	-1292.527992	2.8
4	-1292.868040	-1292.421935	-1292.510838		-1292.885193	-1292.527992	
7	-1292.866919	-1292.420640	-1292.508515		-1292.884894	-1292.526490	

	E _{tot}	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	ΔG_{298} gas phase	E _{tot}	G ₂₉₈	ΔG_{298} solution
Conformer	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	kJ/mol	PCM _{xylenes} M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes} M06- L/bs1	kJ/mol
Ligand exchange							
TS2-3-Cs	-1424.055163	-1423.519921	-1423.619867	383.5	-1424.110187	-1423.674891	343.8
INT3-Cs	-1424.075190	-1423.538659	-1423.640504	329.3	-1424.127842	-1423.693156	295.9
4.1	-1424.066963	-1423.529961	-1423.631593		-1424.120140	-1423.684770	
4.2	-1424.075190	-1423.538659	-1423.640504		-1424.127842	-1423.693156	
INT3	-1443.945919	-1443.404646	-1443.511427	-28.2	-1443.978680	-1443.544188	-9.4
4.1	-1443.931202	-1443.391080	-1443.497215		-1443.969794	-1443.535807	
4.2	-1443.945919	-1443.404646	-1443.511427		-1443.978680	-1443.544188	
Triflate intern	nediates						
INT2 _{OTf}	-2025.787686	-2025.359486	-2025.453034	146.0	-2025.805559	-2025.471242	84.7
4.2	-2025.787686	-2025.359486	-2025.453034		-2025.805559	-2025.470906	
7.2	-2025.786414	-2025.358311	-2025.453005		-2025.804652	-2025.471242	
INT4 _{OTf}	-2025.779335	-2025.351031	-2025.445863	164.8	-2025.796286	-2025.462483	107.7
4.1	-2025.778263	-2025.350482	-2025.445863		-2025.794883	-2025.462483	
4.2	-2025.779335	-2025.351031	-2025.443583		-2025.796286	-2025.460533	
7.1	-2025.773919	-2025.346346	-2025.442425		-2025.792557	-2025.461063	
INT5 _{OTf}				291.9			243.0
5	-2025.727516	-2025.302737	-2025.397457		-2025.741016	-2025.410957	
INT2 _{Piv}	-1410.800979	-1410.265710	-1410.362073	40.9			
4	-1410.800979	-1410.265710	-1410.362073		-1410.817566	-1410.378660	6.0
7	-1410.799856	-1410.264589	-1410.360854				
8	-1410.799682	-1410.264299	-1410.360587				
1	-1410.795724	-1410.260006	-1410.356537				
2	-1410.794351	-1410.261473	-1410.355864				
3	-1410.790427	-1410.254902	-1410.348122				
	E _{tot}	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	ΔG_{298} gas phase	E _{tot}	G ₂₉₈	ΔG_{298} solution
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Conformer	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	kJ/mol	PCM _{xylenes} M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes} M06- L/bs1	kJ/mol
CMD step							
INT4	-1410.805447	-1410.269991	-1410.365784	31.1			
4	-1410.805447	-1410.269991	-1410.365784		-1410.819519	-1410.379856	0.0
7	-1410.804016	-1410.268634	-1410.364572				
13	-1410.796560	-1410.261295	-1410.358925				
9	-1410.804846	-1410.269462	-1410.364355				
10	-1410.801297	-1410.265529	-1410.359893				
1	-1410.801082	-1410.264911	-1410.358880				
12	-1410.800842	-1410.265905	-1410.361702				
8	-1410.800405	-1410.265029	-1410.359423				
11	-1410.797860	-1410.262552	-1410.358834				
2	-1410.795874	-1410.260924	-1410.358266				
6	-1410.795960	-1410.260629	-1410.356187				
3	-1410.794398	-1410.259172	-1410.355812				
14	-1410.787935	-1410.252626	-1410.347773				
15	-1410.795839	-1410.260278	-1410.355949				
TS4-5	-1410.771314	-1410.237042	-1410.335132	158.9			123.7
2	-1410.750553	-1410.220932	-1410.317116		-1410.766170	-1410.332733	
3	-1410.750511	-1410.221133	-1410.316874				
4	-1410.745658	-1410.216365	-1410.311034				
5	-1410.746741	-1410.217202	-1410.311518				
12	-1410.751961	-1410.222416	-1410.31513				
INT5	-1410.771314	-1410.237042	-1410.335132	111.6			79.9
1	-1410.758970	-1410.224242	-1410.320716				
2	-1410.757290	-1410.222549	-1410.320087				
3	-1410.765109	-1410.230734	-1410.329120				
4	-1410.763501	-1410.229327	-1410.323582				
5	-1410.771314	-1410.237042	-1410.335132		-1410.785617	-1410.349436	
6	-1410.754491	-1410.220556	-1410.315944				
7	-1410.768475	-1410.234014	-1410.330011				

	E _{tot}	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	ΔG_{298} gas phase	E _{tot}	G ₂₉₈	ΔG_{298} solution
Conformer	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	kJ/mol	PCM _{xylenes} M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes} M06- L/bs1	kJ/mol
8	-1410.761112	-1410.226523	-1410.323962				
9	-1410.766453	-1410.231745	-1410.327567				
tBuCOOH	-346.998629	-346.841854	-346.883859				
1	-346.998629	-346.841854	-346.883859				
2	-346.989291	-346.832621	-346.873620				
7a	-632.169651	-631.931316	-631.983489	57.9	-632.178399	-631.992237	-2.6
1	-632.1686878	-631.930229	-631.982258		-632.177413	-631.990984	
2	-632.1696514	-631.931316	-631.983489		-632.178399	-631.992237	
CMD step with							
trans pivalate							
INT4 _{trans}	-1410.768643	-1410.234513	-1410.330335	93.1	-1410.784592	-1410.346094	88.6
12	-1410.768643	-1410.234513	-1410.330335		-1410.784402	-1410.346094	
22	-1410.767098	-1410.232374	-1410.328544		-1410.784592	-1410.346039	
2	-1410.764224	-1410.230941	-1410.325727		-1410.782202	-1410.343705	
4	-1410.765375	-1410.230925	-1410.326857		-1410.780808	-1410.342290	
1	-1410.759306	-1410.224670	-1410.320672		-1410.77796	-1410.339326	
3	-1410.754542	-1410.219945	-1410.316059		-1410.773136	-1410.334653	
TS4-5 _{trans}	-1410.705905	-1410.177923	-1410.272157	245.8	-1410.723962	-1410.290122	235.6
3	-1410.705903	-1410.177923	-1410.272062		-1410.723962	-1410.290122	
4	-1410.705905	-1410.177877	-1410.272157		-1410.723836	-1410.290088	
1.qst3	-1410.702384	-1410.174472	-1410.269835		-1410.721120	-1410.288571	
2.qst3	-1410.692135	-1410.164484	-1410.261547		-1410.710865	-1410.280277	
2	-1410.689513	-1410.161562	-1410.258276		-1410.707771	-1410.276533	
INT5 _{trans}	-1410.761830	-1410.226839	-1410.322815	112.8	-1410.783669	-1410.344653	92.4
1	-1410.761830	-1410.226839	-1410.322815		-1410.783669	-1410.344653	
2	-1410.758118	-1410.223528	-1410.321998		-1410.779738	-1410.343619	

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Table S2.2. Calculated kinetic isotope effects for the CMD step with model NHC 5.^a

Ar 298 K:

	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	${ m H}_{298}\left(d_{3} ight)$	$G_{298}(d_3)$	ΔH_{298} (D-H), kJ/mol	$\Delta G_{298} \left(\text{D-H} \right), \ \text{kJ/mol}$	$\Delta\Delta \mathrm{H}_{298}\left(\mathrm{D} ext{-}\mathrm{H} ight),\ \mathrm{kJ/mol}$	$\Delta\Delta G_{298} (D-H)$, kJ/mol	$k_{\rm H}/k_{\rm D}$
3a	-645.658367	-645.719700	-645.667746	-645.729913	-24.6	-26.8			
INT4	-1410.272224	-1410.368008	-1410.281622	-1410.378236	-24.7	-26.9	0.0	0.0	0.98
TS4-5	-1410.222415	-1410.320244	-1410.230387	-1410.328848	-20.9	-22.6	3.7	4.2	5.50

At 413 K:

	H ₄₁₃	G ₂₉₈	${ m H}_{298}\left(d_{3} ight)$	$G_{298}(d_3)$	ΔH ₂₉₈ (D-H), kJ/mol	$\Delta G_{298} (D-H)$, kJ/mol	$\Delta\Delta H_{298} (D-H)$, kJ/mol	$\Delta\Delta G_{298} (D-H), kJ/mol$	$k_{\rm H}/k_{\rm D}$
3a	-645.645912	-645.744797	-645.654985	-645.755982	-23.8	-29.4			
INT4	-1410.246833	-1410.409111	-1410.255887	-1410.419716	-23.8	-27.8	0.0	1.5	1.56
TS4-5	-1410.196908	-1410.362153	-1410.204466	-1410.371070	-19.8	-23.4	4.0	6.0	5.66

^a *Int=ultrafine* keyword was used for the numerical integration in frequency analysis.

Formula for the KIE calculation:

 ΔH_{298} (D-H) = H_{298} (d_3) - H_{298} ;

 $\Delta\Delta H_{TS4-5} (D-H) = \Delta H_{TS4-5} (D-H) - \Delta H_{3a} (D-H);$

 $k_{\rm H}/k_{\rm D} = \exp[-\Delta\Delta G_{\rm TS4-5} (\rm D-H)/RT]$

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5.3. Catalytic cycle with chiral NHC 8

5.3.1 Ligand exchange step



Table S3.1. Calculated energies of conformers at M06-L level with basis set bs1: LANL2DZ on Pd, I; 6-31G(d,p) on N, C, O; 6-31G(d) on H. Solvent effects in xylenes are included by PCM single point calculations at the same level with UAHF radii. Thermal corrections are calculated at 298 K and experimental temperature 413 K. The energies relative to complex **INT4**_{Me} are shown in bold.

	E _{tot}	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	E _{tot}	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	H ₄₁₃	G ₄₁₃	H ₄₁₃	G ₄₁₃
Conformer	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes} M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes} M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes} M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes} M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes} M06-L/bs1
INT2 _{Me-Cl}										
(R)	-1934.547927	-1933.686619	-1933.811604	-1934.572484	-1933.711176	-1933.836161	-1933.647309	-1933.866222	-1933.671866	-1933.890779
(S)	-1934.563556	-1933.703381	-1933.828837	-1934.586866	-1933.726691	-1933.852147	-1933.663987	-1933.883652	-1933.687297	-1933.906962
	-1.5	-10.3	-35.6	30.4	21.6	-3.7	-11.2	-45.2	20.6	-13.3
INT2 _{Me-Br}										
(<i>R</i>)	-1932.757482	-1931.896455	-1932.022622	-1932.782331	-1931.921303	-1932.047470	-1931.857101	-1932.077704	-1931.881949	-1932.102552
(S)	-1932.773537	-1931.913196	-1932.038938	-1932.797407	-1931.937066	-1932.062808	-1931.873796	-1932.093865	-1931.897666	-1932.117735
	42.7	34.3	11.3	52.9	44.5	21.5	33.4	2.5	43.6	12.7
INT2 _{Me-I}										
(R)	-1930.971026	-1930.110266	-1930.238563	-1930.994970	-1930.134210	-1930.262507	-1930.070829	-1930.294483	-1930.094773	-1930.318427
(S)	-1930.987952	-1930.127874	-1930.253632	-1931.009502	-1930.149424	-1930.275182	-1930.088440	-1930.308573	-1930.109990	-1930.330123
	79.2	70.2	48.8	72.6	63.5	42.2	69.3	40.8	62.7	34.1
INT2 _{Me-OTf}	-2880.966768	-2880.070115	-2880.207373	-2880.990597	-2880.093804	-2880.231062	-2880.025992	-2880.267525	-2880.049681	-2880.291214
(<i>R</i>)-1	-2880.954242	-2880.057993	-2880.195381	-2880.979420	-2880.083170	-2880.220558	-2880.013848	-2880.255586	-2880.039025	-2880.280763
(<i>R</i>)-2	-2880.959341	-2880.062306	-2880.198277	-2880.984290	-2880.087255	-2880.223226	-2880.018207	-2880.257927	-2880.043156	-2880.282876
<i>(S)</i> -1	-2880.966768	-2880.070115	-2880.207373	-2880.990457	-2880.093804	-2880.231062	-2880.025992	-2880.267525	-2880.049681	-2880.291214
<i>(S)</i> -2	-2880.966025	-2880.068814	-2880.205158	-2880.990597	-2880.093386	-2880.229730	-2880.024733	-2880.264950	-2880.049305	-2880.289522
	115.8	115.6	119.7	83.4	83.5	87.7	115.6	121.3	83.5	89.2
INT3 _{Me}										
(<i>R</i>)	-2279.259791	-2278.254581	-2278.397138	-2279.312715	-2278.307505	-2278.450062	-2278.208143	-2278.459706	-2278.261067	-2278.512630
(S)	-2279.246893	-2278.241858	-2278.385144	-2279.299826	-2278.294791	-2278.438077	-2278.195369	-2278.448002	-2278.248302	-2278.500935
	281.5	281.1	303.1	124.6	124.2	146.2	282.1	311.5	125.2	154.5
INT2 _{Me-Piv}	κ^1 -complexes									
(<i>R</i>)-7	-2265.978340	-2264.973809	-2265.109606	-2266.001522	-2264.996991	-2265.132788	-2264.928584	-2265.169359	-2264.951766	-2265.192541
<i>(S)</i> -7.2	-2265.985639	-2264.981473	-2265.118834	-2266.007067	-2265.002901	-2265.140262	-2264.936210	-2265.179198	-2264.957638	-2265.200626
	0.3	2.2	8.2	-3.6	-1.7	4.3	2.0	10.6	-1.9	6.7

TS betwee	n κ ¹ -complexes									
TS _{INT2}	-2265.973497	-2264.971331	-2265.108869	-2265.996627	-2264.994461	-2265.131999	-2264.926254	-2265.169270	-2264.949384	-2265.192400
	32.2	28.9	34.4	23.8	20.5	26.0	28.1	36.6	19.8	28.3
INT4 _{Me}	κ ² -complexes									
(<i>R</i>)-7	-2265.985751	-2264.982326	-2265.121965	-2266.005688	-2265.002263	-2265.141902	-2264.936975	-2265.183224	-2264.956912	-2265.203161
(S)-3	-2265.983788	-2264.980926	-2265.119487	-2266.002679	-2264.999817	-2265.138378	-2264.935527	-2265.180337	-2264.954418	-2265.199228
	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

5.3.2 Interconversion of κ^2 -complexes INT4_{Me}



5.3.3. CMD step (Figure 2).

Table S3.2. Calculated energies of conformers at M06-L level with basis set bs1: LANL2DZ on Pd, I; 6-31G(d,p) on N, C, O; 6-31G(d) on H. Solvent effects in xylenes are included by PCM single point calculations at the same level with UAHF radii. Thermal corrections are calculated at 298 K and experimental temperature 413 K. Δ (S-R) denote the energy differences (kJ/mol) between the corresponding (*S*) and (*R*) species.

	E _{tot}	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	E _{tot}	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	H ₄₁₃	G ₄₁₃	H ₄₁₃	G ₄₁₃
Conformer	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes} M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes} M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes} M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes} M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes} M06-L/bs1
κ ² -complexes										
(R)-INT4 _{Me}										
7	-2265.985751	-2264.982326	-2265.121965	-2266.005688	-2265.002263	-2265.141902	-2264.936975	-2265.183224	-2264.956912	-2265.203161
4	-2265.978216									
7.2	-2265.977862									
9	-2265.977715									
12	-2265.974975									
2	-2265.971011									
(S)-INT4 _{Me}										
3	-2265.983788	-2264.980926	-2265.119487	-2266.002679	-2264.999817	-2265.138378	-2264.935527	-2265.180337	-2264.954418	-2265.199228
8	-2265.975478									
11	-2265.969863									
Δ (S-R), kJ/mol	5.15	3.7	6.5	7.9	6.4	9.3	3.8	7.6	6.6	10.3
Transition stat	es									
(<i>R</i>)-TS4-5 _{Me}										
2	-2265.938089	-2264.940347	-2265.077789	-2265.960481	-2264.962739	-2265.100181	-2264.895302	-2265.138145	-2264.917694	-2265.160537
3	-2265.937604	-2264.939256	-2265.075476	-2265.960528	-2264.962180	-2265.098400	-2264.894279	-2265.135347	-2264.917203	-2265.158271
(S)-TS4-5 _{Me}										
6	-2265.930579	-2264.932962	-2265.070387	-2265.951659	-2264.954042	-2265.091467	-2264.887894	-2265.13074	-2264.908974	-2265.151820
5	-2265.927309	-2264.929599	-2265.065979	-2265.950009	-2264.952299	-2265.088679	-2264.884600	-2265.125916	-2264.907300	-2265.148616
4	-2265.926092	-2264.928404	-2265.064539	-2265.947694	-2264.950006	-2265.086141	-2264.883382	-2265.124385	-2264.904984	-2265.145987
Δ (S-R), kJ/mol	19.7	19.4	19.4	23.3	22.8	22.9	19.4	19.4	22.9	22.9
Relative to κ ² -α	omplex									
$\Delta\Delta G^{\ddagger}$, kJ/mol	14.6	15.7	12.9	15.4	16.4	13.6	15.6	11.9	16.3	12.6

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Structure	Distan	ces, Å		Dihedral an	gles in NHC		AG b			
Structure	$r(X-\underline{C}H_3)^a$	$r(X-\underline{H}_{3}C)^{a}$	Pd-C ₄ -N-C ₅	C ₄ -N-C ₅ -H ₃	$Pd-C_4-N-C_6$	C_4 -N- C_6 -H ₂	ΔO_{298} , kI/mol			
INT4 _{Me}							KJ/11101			
R	3.733	2.944	-10.4	+15.8	+6.8	-3.0	0.0			
S	3.460	2.506	-11.7	-18.8	+6.8	+38.4	9.3			
TS4-5 _{Me}										
R	3.918	2.978	-18.8	+36.7	+13.8	+5.7	109.5			
S	3.367	2.667	-20.3	-17.5	+21.0	+9.9	132.4			

Table S3.3. Comparison of structural parameters and relative Gibbs free energies of diastereomeric intermediates INT4_{Me} and TSs TS4-5_{Me} with ligand (S,S)-8.

^a Distances between CH₃ group of *o*-methylphenyl (for (*S*)-species) or *t*-butyl (for (*R*)-species) of ligand (*S*,*S*)-**8** (highlighted green in Figure 2) and X – center of substrate benzene ring. ^b Relative Gibbs free energies calculated at 298 K in xylenes.





Structures of conformers for TS4-5_{Me}.

Several parameters were varied during conformational search:

1. Rotation of the carbamate COOCH₃ group: it leads to a small change in energy of 1-6 kJ/mol (compare two columns).

2. Allylic strain keeps (tBu)C-H and (Ar)C-CH₃ bonds in the NHC ligand coplanar (see Table S3.3). Rotating *o*-tolyl substituent to the sterically hindered side of NHC leads to a large energy increase (i.e., from 31.4 to 41.7 kJ/mol for (*S*)-TSs).

3. A position of the second, not activated methyl group of isopropyl, which lies "on the open side of the complex" in the best conformations of (R)- and (S)-TSs (0.0 and 19.6 kJ/mol, respectively). This methyl group has a contact with the Me group of the NHC ligand in less stable, closed conformations of (R)- and (S)-TSs (59.1 and 31.4 kJ/mol, respectively).



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	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	$H_{298}(d_3)$	$G_{298}(d_3)$	ΔH ₂₉₈ (D-H)	ΔG ₂₉₈ (D-H)	$\Delta\Delta H_{298}$ (D-H), kJ/mol	$\Delta\Delta G_{298}$ (D-H), kJ/mol	$k_{\rm H}/k_{\rm D}$
3 a	-645.658367	-645.719700	-645.667746	-645.729913	-24.6	-26.8			
INT4 _{Me}									
R	-2264.940494	-2265.190657	-2264.958498	-2265.211784	-47.3	-55.5	0.1	0.1	1.02
S	-2264.937387	-2265.186947	-2264.955361	-2265.208057	-47.2	-55.4	0.2	0.1	1.03
TS4-5 _{Me}									
R	-2264.898800	-2265.145003	-2264.915342	-2265.164462	-43.4	-51.1	3.9	4.4	3.64
S	-2264.889669	-2265.136254	-2264.906191	-2265.155696	-43.4	-51.0	4.0	4.5	3.69

Table S3.4. Calculated kinetic isotope effects for the CMD step with chiral NHC (S,S)-8.^a

^a Int=ultrafine keyword was used for the numerical integration in frequency analysis.

Formula for the KIE calculation:

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 ΔH_{298} (D-H) = H_{298} (d_3) - H_{298} .

 $\Delta\Delta H_{TS4-5} (D-H) = \Delta H_{TS4-5} (D-H) - \Delta H_{3a} (D-H).$

 $k_{\rm H}/k_{\rm D} = \exp[-\Delta\Delta G_{\rm TS4-5} (\rm D-H)/RT]$

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5.4 Effects of ligands on the calculated activation barriers and enantioselectivities

Table S4.1. Relative Gibbs free energies of (*R*)- and (*S*)- intermediates INT4 and TSs TS4-5 with ligand 4 (Table 5, entry 2).

	E _{tot}	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	H ₄₁₃	G ₄₁₃	E _{tot}	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	H ₄₁₃	G ₄₁₃
Conformer	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes}	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1	PCM _{xylenes}	PCM _{xylenes}
						M06-L/bs1			M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1
κ^2 -comple	xes INT4									
(<i>R</i>)-	-2494.612692	-2493.568547	-2493.712484	-2493.520481	-2493.775832	-2494.634632	-2493.590487	-2493.734424	-2493.542421	-2493.797772
(S)-	-2494.613997	-2493.570270	-2493.712851	-2493.522147	-2493.775686	-2494.635174	-2493.591447	-2493.734028	-2493.543324	-2493.796863
Δ (S-R), kJ/mol	-3.4	-4.5	-1.0	-4.4	0.4	-1.4	-2.5	1.0	-2.4	2.4
Transition st	tates TS4-5									
(<i>R</i>)-	-2494.567658	-2493.529903	-2493.672759	-2493.482003	-2493.735659	-2494.590114	-2493.552358	-2493.695214	-2493.504458	-2493.758114
(S)-	-2494.562740	-2493.525501	-2493.667439	-2493.47761	-2493.729983	-2494.585061	-2493.547821	-2493.689759	-2493.499930	-2493.752303
Δ (S-R), kJ/mol	12.9	11.6	14.0	11.5	14.9	13.3	11.9	14.3	11.9	15.3
$\Delta G^{\ddagger}_{R}, kJ/mol$	118.2	101.5	104.3	101.0	105.5	116.9	100.1	102.9	99.7	104.1
Relative to 1	c ² -complex									
ΔΔG [‡] , kJ/mol	16.3	16.1	14.9	15.9	14.5	14.7	14.4	13.3	14.3	12.9

	E _{tot}	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	H ₄₁₃	G ₄₁₃	E _{tot}	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	H ₄₁₃	G ₄₁₃
Conformer	M06-1 /bs1	M06_L/bs1	M06_L /bs1	M06_L /bs1	M06-1 /bs1	PCM _{xylenes}	M06-1 /bs1	M06-1 /bs1	PCM _{xylenes}	PCM _{xylenes}
comornici	WI00-L/031	WI00-L/031	W100-L/031	W100-L/031	W100-L/031	M06-L/bs1	W100-L/031	W100-L/031	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1
κ ² -comple	xes INT4									
(<i>R</i>)-	-2226.671259	-2225.697441	-2225.837017	-2225.653244	-2225.898063	-2226.690430	-2225.716613	-2225.856189	-2225.672416	-2225.917235
(S)-	-2226.673693	-2225.700001	-2225.836836	-2225.655810	-2225.896823	-2226.693376	-2225.719684	-2225.856519	-2225.675493	-2225.916506
Δ (S-R), kJ/mol	-6.4	-6.7	0.5	-6.7	3.3	-7.7	-8.1	-0.9	-8.1	1.9
Transition s	tates TS4-5									
(<i>R</i>)-	-2226.621821	-2225.653749	-2225.787844	-2225.609859	-2225.846719	-2226.644117	-2225.676045	-2225.810140	-2225.632155	-2225.869015
(S)-	-2226.623475	-2225.654904	-2225.787601	-2225.611144	-2225.845913	-2226.643997	-2225.675426	-2225.808123	-2225.631666	-2225.866435
Δ (S-R), kJ/mol	-4.3	-3.0	0.6	-3.4	2.1	0.3	1.6	5.3	1.3	6.8
$\Delta G_{R}^{\ddagger}, kJ/mol$	131.8	118.4	129.1	117.3	134.8	129.3	114.6	121.8	113.8	126.6
Relative to 1	κ ² -complex									
$\Delta\Delta G^{\ddagger}$, kJ/mol	2.0	3.7	0.2	3.4	-1.1	8.0	9.7	6.2	9.4	4.9

Table S4.2. Relative Gibbs free energies of (*R*)- and (*S*)- intermediates INT4 and TSs TS4-5 with ligand 8' (Table 5, entry 3).

	E _{tot}	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	H ₄₁₃	G ₄₁₃	E _{tot}	H ₂₉₈	G ₂₉₈	H ₄₁₃	G ₄₁₃
Conformer	M06-1 /bs1	M06-L/bs1	M06-1 /bs1	M06-1 /bs1	M06-1 /bs1	PCM _{xylenes}	M06_L /bs1	M06-1 /bs1	PCM _{xylenes}	PCM _{xylenes}
Comonici	W100-L/051	W100-L/031	W100-L/031	W100-L/031	W100-L/031	M06-L/bs1	W100-L/031	W100-L/031	M06-L/bs1	M06-L/bs1
κ ² -comple	xes INT4									
(<i>R</i>)-	-2187.354727	-2186.410035	-2186.547531	-2186.367110	-2186.607564	-2187.375859	-2186.431166	-2186.568662	-2186.388241	-2186.628695
(S)-	-2187.356921	-2186.412442	-2186.546785	-2186.369514	-2186.605602	-2187.377095	-2186.432616	-2186.566959	-2186.389688	-2186.625776
Δ (S-R), kJ/mol	-5.8	-6.3	2.0	-6.3	5.2	-3.2	-3.8	4.5	-3.8	7.7
Transition s	tates TS4-5									
(<i>R</i>)-	-2187.305333	-2186.367101	-2186.499466	-2186.324346	-2186.557488	-2187.329260	-2186.391029	-2186.523394	-2186.348274	-2186.581416
(<i>S</i>)-	-2187.308773	-2186.370554	-2186.502070	-2186.327843	-2186.559756	-2187.330321	-2186.392103	-2186.523619	-2186.349392	-2186.581305
Δ (S-R), kJ/mol	-9.0	-9.1	-6.8	-9.2	-6.0	-2.8	-2.8	-0.6	-2.9	0.3
$\Delta G_{R}^{\ddagger}, kJ/mol$	126.4	110.0	119.4	109.4	125.5	122.8	106.4	118.3	105.8	124.1
Relative to	κ ² -complex									
$\Delta\Delta G^{\ddagger}$, kJ/mol	-3.3	-2.7	-8.8	-2.9	-11.1	0.5	1.0	-5.1	0.9	-7.4

Table S4.3. Relative Gibbs free energies of (*R*)- and (*S*)- intermediates INT4 and TSs TS4-5 with ligand 8" (Table 5, entry 4).

5.5 Coordinates of all stationary points (the best conformers)

5.5.1 Catalytic cycle with model NHC 5.

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5.5.2 Catalytic cycle with chiral NHC 8

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5.5.3 Effects of ligands

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