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Iridium–Catalyzed Asymmetric Hydrogenation of Unfunctionalized, Tetrasubstituted Olefins

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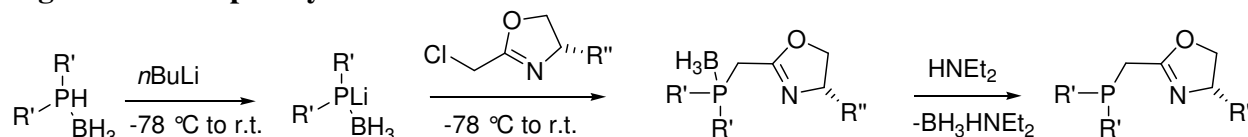
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General: For general information regarding instrumentation refer to our previous publications.^[1] All chemicals were purchased from Acros Organics, Aldrich, Fluka, Lancaster Synthesis, Merck Molecula and Strem Chemicals.

Substrate synthesis: Olefins were synthesized according to previously published procedures: Olefin **5** and **7** via Wittig-Olefination^[2], Olefins **8** – **16** via Grignard-Addition and subsequent dehydration^[2], Olefin **17** according to ref. [3].

Ligand and complex synthesis:



Scheme 1. Ligand synthesis

Ligand synthesis according Scheme 1.^[4]

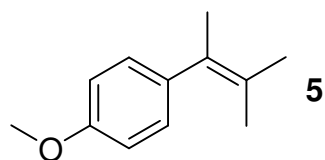
In a Schlenk tube under argon the secondary phosphine-borane adduct (1 eq) in THF was cooled to $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$. $n\text{BuLi}$ (1.05 eq) was slowly added and the mixture was stirred for 15 minutes at $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ and for 2 hours at room temperature. After cooling to $-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ chloro-methyl-4,5-dihydro-oxazoline (0.8-1.3 eq) in THF was added via cannula, and the cannula was rinsed with THF. The mixture was stirred at room temperature until TLC indicated the consumption of starting material. Then the mixture was poured in saturated NaHCO_3 solution and extracted with diethyl ether (3×10 to 20 mL). The combined organic layers were dried over MgSO_4 and the crude product was purified by flash column chromatography on silicagel eluting with diethyl ether and pentane. For deprotection the borane-protected phosphanyl-methyl-4,5-dihydro-oxazol was dissolved in diethylamine (1-2 mL) and stirred for 1 to 7 days. The conversion was controlled by ^1H -NMR. After completion of the reaction all volatiles were removed under high vacuum at $60\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$.

For alternative routes see refs. [6, 7].

Ir-complexes were obtained according to standard-procedures.^[5]

General Asymmetric Hydrogenation Procedure: A high pressure steel autoclave (Premex Reactor AG; Lengnau, Switzerland; Model HPM-005) with a dry glass insert and a magnetic stir bar were taken into a glove box. The glass insert was loaded with the appropriate catalyst (0.002 mmol) and 0.5 ml of a 0.2 M degassed substrate solution freshly prepared from the corresponding substrate and dichloromethane (stirred over basic alumina and filtered). The hydrogenation vessel was sealed and taken out of the glove box. The autoclave was attached to a high pressure hydrogen line and purged with H_2 . The autoclave was sealed under the appropriate H_2 pressure (see Tables) and the mixture was stirred for 3 - 8 hours at the appropriate pressure at room temperature. After release of H_2 the solution was concentrated in a stream of nitrogen, diluted

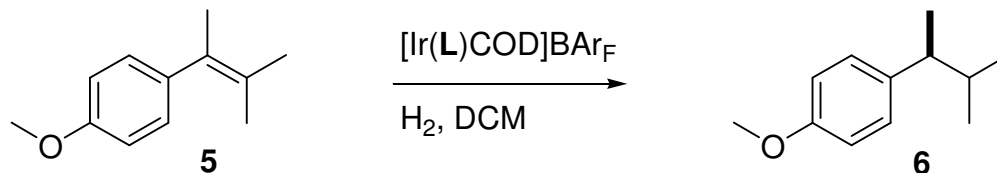
with 5 ml of hexane, passed through a Chromafil O-20/15 organic stable syringe filter (0.2 μ m pore size), and the filtrate analyzed directly for conversion (GC) and *ee* (CG or HPLC).



1-methoxy-4-(3-methylbut-2-en-2-yl)benzene

Elemental Analysis for $C_{12}H_{16}O$ (176.25) calc.: C, 81.77; H, 9.15; found: C, 82.04, H, 9.25; **1H -NMR** (400.1 MHz, $CDCl_3$, 300K): δ = 1.59 (q, 3H, J_{HH} = 1.5 Hz, CH_3), 1.79 (q, 3H, J_{HH} = 0.9 Hz, CH_3), 1.94 (qq, 3H, J_{HH} = 1.5 Hz, J_{HH} = 0.9 Hz, CH_3), 3.80 (s, 3H, $-OCH_3$), 6.85 (m_c, 2H, H_{Ar}), 7.05 (m_c, 2H, H_{Ar}); **$^{13}C\{^1H\}$ -NMR** (100.6 MHz, $CDCl_3$, 300 K): δ = 20.6 (CH_3), 20.9 (CH_3), 22.1 (CH_3), 55.2 (OCH_3), 113.3 (HC_{Ar}), 126.9 ($C=C$), 129.3 (HC_{Ar}), 129.4 (C_{Ar}), 137.7 ($C=C$), 157.5 (OC_{Ar}); **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DETButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 25 m, 60 kPa H_2 , 100 $^\circ$ C, 0 min, 1 K/min, 120 $^\circ$ C, 0 min, 10 K/min, 180 $^\circ$ C, 2 min): t_R = 18.4 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 176 (M^+ , 100), 161 (82), 145 (18), 133 (12), 115 (18), 91 (26), 77 (13), 65 (9), 51 (8), 41 (9); **IR** ($\nu[cm^{-1}]$) = 2991w, 2910m, 2856w, 2833w, 1609m, 1574w, 1510s, 1464w, 1443w, 1371w, 1298w, 1283w, 1244s, 1175w, 1132w, 1105w, 1036w, 831w; **TLC** (SiO_2 , hexanes:ethyl acetate 60:1) R_f = 0.38.

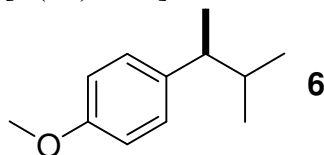
Hydrogenation Results



Ligand L	p (H_2) [bar]	Time [h]	mol% Cat.	Conv. [%]	ee [%]	opt. Rotation
(S)-1a	50	4	2	>99	79	(-)
(S)-1b	50	4	2	65	2	(+)
(R,R)-2a	50	4	2	55	5	(-)
(S,S)-2b	50	4	2	95	82	(-)
(S)-3a	50	4	2	95	14	(-)
(S)-3b	50	4	2	83	14	(+)
(S)-4a	50	3	2	>99	88	(-)
(S)-4b	50	3	2	>99	80	(-)
(S)-4c	50	4	2	>99	92	(-)
(S)-4d	50	4	2	>99	92	(-)
	50	4	1	>99	81	(-)
	50	4	0.5	92	73	(-)
	50	4	0.1	<1	n.d.	n.d.
	5	8	2	>99	96	(-)
	1	3	2	99	97	(-)
(S)-4e	50	4	2	>99	71	(-)

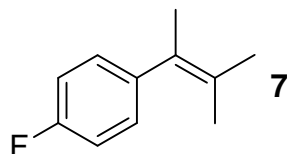
(S)-4f	50	3	2	>99	74	(-)
(S)-4g	50	3	2	>99	27	(-)
(S)-4h	50	3	2	>99	85	(-)
(S)-4i	50	3	2	>99	84	(-)
(S)-4j	50	4	2	>99	62	(-)
(S)-4k	50	4	2	>99	40	(-)
	10	4	2	>99	58	(-)
	5	4	2	>99	69	(-)
(S)-4l	50	3	2	>99	30	(-)
(S)-4m	50	3	2	60	62	(-)
(R)-4n	50	4	2	>99	73	(+)
(S)-4o	50	4	2	86	48	(-)
(S)-4p	50	4	2	>99	42	(-)
(S)-4q	50	4	2	>99	79	(-)

Analytical Data for the hydrogenation product of **5** obtained by reduction using [Ir(**4d**)COD]BAr_F at 5 bar.



1-methoxy-4-(3-methylbutan-2-yl)benzene

Elemental Analysis for C₁₂H₁₈O (178.27) calc.: C, 80.85; H, 10.18; found: C, 80.59; H, 10.02; [α]_D²⁰ = -28.4 (c = 1.50, CHCl₃ 96% ee); **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 0.74 (d, 3H, J_{HH} = 6.7 Hz, CH₃), 0.91 (d, 3H, J_{HH} = 6.7 Hz, CH₃), 1.20 (d, 3H, J_{HH} = 7.1 Hz, CH₃), 1.71 [m, 1H, (CH₃)₂CH], 2.38 [m, 1H, CH₃CHC_{Ar}], 3.78 (s, 3H, OCH₃), 6.82 (m_c, 2H, H_{Ar}), 7.07 (m_c, 2H, H_{Ar}); **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 18.9 (CH₃), 20.2 (CH₃), 21.0 (CH₃), 34.5 (OCH₃), 45.9 (C_{Ar}CHCH₃), 55.2 (OCH₃), 113.3 (HC_{Ar}), 128.4 (HC_{Ar}), 139.1 (C_{Ar}), 157.6 (CH₃OC_{Ar}); **GC** (Restek Rtx-1701, 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 30m, 60 kPa He, 100 °C, 2 min, 7 K/min, 250 °C, 15 min): t_R = 13.6 min; **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DEtTButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 25 m, 60 kPa H₂, 100 °C, 0 min, 1 K/min, 120 °C, 0 min, 10 K/min, 180 °C, 2 min): t_{R(+)} = 14.1 min, t_{R(-)} = 14.4 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 178 (M⁺, 12), 135 (100), 121 (4), 105 (11), 91 (10), 77 (6), 65 (4), 51 (2), 41 (4); **IR** (ν [cm⁻¹]) = 2958m, 2933w, 2906w, 2872w, 2834w, 1611m, 1583w, 1511s, 1464m, 1441w, 1373w, 1301w, 1286w, 1259s, 1245s, 1177m, 1088s,br, 1038s, 1015s, 866w, 795s, 638m,br; **TLC** (SiO₂, hexanes:ethyl acetate 50:1) R_f = 0.29.

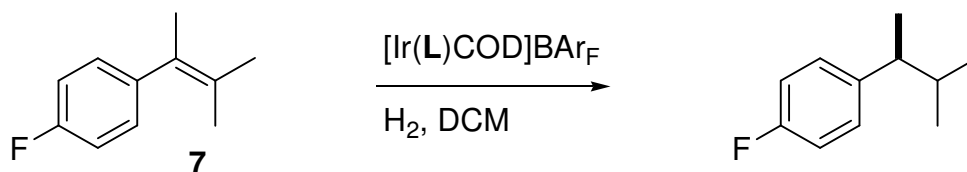


1-fluoro-4-(3-methylbut-2-en-2-yl)benzene

Elemental Analysis for C₁₁H₁₃F (164.22) calc.: C, 80.45; H, 7.89; found: C, 80.52; H, 8.28; **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 1.57 (q, 3H, J_{HH} = 1.5 Hz, CH₃), 1.80 (q, 3H, J_{HH} = 0.9 Hz, CH₃), 1.93 (qq, 3H, J_{HH} = 1.5 Hz, J_{HH} = 0.9 Hz, CH₃), 6.98 (m_c, 2H, H_{Ar}), 7.07 (m_c, 2H, H_{Ar});

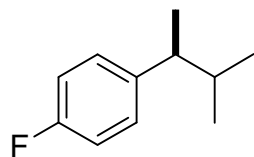
$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ -NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3 , 300 K): δ = 20.5 (CH_3), 20.9 (CH_3), 22.0 (CH_3), 114.7 (d, $^2J_{\text{CF}}$ = 21.0 Hz, HC_{Ar}), 127.7 ($\text{C}=\text{C}$), 129.0 (C_{Ar}), 129.8 (d, $^3J_{\text{CF}}$ = 7.7 Hz, HC_{Ar}), 141.1 ($\text{C}=\text{C}$), 161.0 (d, $^1J_{\text{CF}}$ = 244 Hz, FC_{Ar}); ^{19}F -NMR (376.5 MHz, CDCl_3 , 300 K): δ = -118.7 ppm; **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DEtTButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μm , 25 m, 60 kPa H_2 , 80 °C, 0 min, 1 K/min, 100 °C, 0 min, 10 K/min, 180 °C, 2 min): t_{R} = 14.3 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 164 (M^+ , 71), 149 (100), 133 (19), 123 (9), 109 (54), 101 (11), 83 (8), 75 (10), 63 (6), 51 (10); **IR** ($\nu[\text{cm}^{-1}]$) = 3042w, 2988w, 2914w, 1601w, 1508s, 1448w, 1373w, 1294w, 1221s, 1157w, 1132w, 1092w, 1016w, 835m, 798w; **TLC** (SiO_2 , hexanes:ethyl acetate 60:1) R_{f} = 0.60.

Hydrogenation Results



Ligand L	p (H_2) [bar]	Time [h]	mol% Cat.	Conv. [%]	ee [%]	opt. Rotation
(S)-4a	50	4	2	84	48	(-)
(S)-4b	50	4	2	51	65	(-)
(S)-4c	50	4	2	98	69	(-)
(S)-4d	50	4	2	99	79	(-)
(S)-4e	50	4	2	99	75	(-)
	5	8	2	99	89	(-)
(S)-4f	50	4	2	86	64	(-)
(S)-4g	50	4	2	17	63	(-)
(S)-4h	50	4	2	61	24	(-)

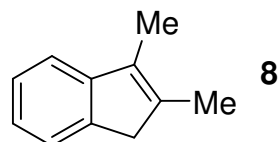
Analytical Data for the hydrogenation product of **7** obtained by reduction using $[\text{Ir}(\mathbf{4e})\text{COD}]\text{BAR}_{\text{F}}$ at 5 bar.



1-fluoro-4-(3-methylbutan-2-yl)benzene

Elemental Analysis for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{15}\text{F}$ (166.24) calc.: C, 79.48; H, 9.10; found: C, 79.56; H, 9.02; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20}$ = -20.4 (c = 1.88, CHCl_3 , 89% ee); ^1H -NMR (400.1 MHz, CDCl_3 , 300K): δ = 0.73 (d, 3H, J_{HH} = 6.7 Hz, CH_3), 0.92 (d, 3H, J_{HH} = 6.7 Hz, CH_3), 1.21 (d, 3H, J_{HH} = 7.1 Hz, CH_3), 1.72 (m, 1H, CH), 2.40 (qd, 1H, J_{HH} = 7.2 Hz, J_{HH} = 14.5 Hz, $\text{C}_{\text{Ar}}\text{CH}$), 6.95 (m, 2H, H_{Ar}), 7.09 (m, 2H, H_{Ar}); $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ -NMR (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3 , 300 K): δ = 18.9 (CH_3), 20.1 (CH_3), 21.0 (CH_3), 34.5 (CH), 46.1 ($\text{C}_{\text{Ar}}\text{CH}$), 114.7 (d, $^2J_{\text{CF}}$ = 20.8 Hz, HC_{Ar}), 128.9 (d, $^3J_{\text{CF}}$ = 7.6 Hz, HC_{Ar}), 142.6 (d, $^4J_{\text{CF}}$ = 3.1 Hz, C_{Ar}), 161.1 (d, $^1J_{\text{CF}}$ = 242.9 Hz, FC_{Ar}); ^{19}F -NMR (376.5 MHz, CDCl_3 , 300 K): δ = -119.3; **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DEtTButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μm , 25 m, 60 kPa H_2 , 80 °C, 0 min, 1 K/min, 100 °C, 0 min, 10 K/min, 180 °C, 2 min): $t_{\text{R}(+)}$ = 9.5 min, $t_{\text{R}(-)}$ = 10.4 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 166 (M^+ , 13), 123 (100), 109 (11), 103 (21), 77 (5); **IR** ($\nu[\text{cm}^{-1}]$)

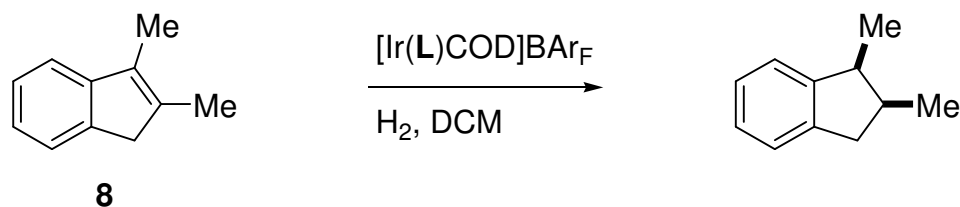
= 2960m, 2872m, 1604m, 1508vs, 1460m, 1418w, 1386w, 1374m, 1366w, 1223s, 1096w, 1014m, 834s, 800w, 655m,br; **TLC** (SiO₂, hexanes) R_f = 0.53.



2,3-dimethyl-1H-indene

Elemental Analysis for C₁₁H₁₂ (144.21) calc.: C, 91.61; H, 8.39; found: C, 91.63; H, 8.44; **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 2.02 (m, 3H, CH₂CCH₃), 2.06 (qd, 3H, J_{HH} = 1.0 Hz, J_{HH} = 1.9Hz, C_{Ar}CCH₃), 3.25 (qdd, 2H, J_{HH} = 0.9 Hz, J_{HH} = 2.1 Hz, J_{HH} = 3.8 Hz, CH₂), 7.11 (dt, 1H, J_{HH} = 1.4 Hz, J_{HH} = 7.3 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.20 (ddd, 1H, J_{HH} = 0.6 Hz, J_{HH} = 1.1 Hz, J_{HH} = 7.6 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.26 (ttd, 1H, J_{HH} = 0.6 Hz, J_{HH} = 1.1 Hz, J_{HH} = 7.3 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.36 (tdd, 1H, J_{HH} = 0.8 Hz, J_{HH} = 1.6 Hz, J_{HH} = 7.3 Hz, H_{Ar}); **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃, 300 K): δ = 10.1 (C_{Ar}CCH₃), 13.9 (CH₃CCH₂), 42.4 (CH₂), 117.9 (HC_{Ar}), 122.9 (HC_{Ar}), 123.5 (HC_{Ar}), 126.0 (HC_{Ar}), 132.4 (C=C), 138.0 (C=C), 142.3 (C_{Ar}CH₂), 147.5 (C_{Ar}C); **GC** (chiral, β-Cyclodextrin, DEtTButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μm, 25 m, 60 kPa H₂, 100 °C, 0 min, 4 K/min, 140 °C, 0 min, 10 K/min, 180 °C, 2 min): t_R = 8.6 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 144 (M⁺, 52), 129 (100), 115 (16), 102 (5), 89 (4), 77 (7), 63 (10), 51 (9); **IR** (ν[cm⁻¹]) = 3022m, 3019m, 2958m, 2911s, 1637w, 1606w, 1465s, 1392m, 1228w, 1205w, 1094w, 1016w, 756s, 716s; **TLC** (SiO₂, hexanes) R_f = 0.40.

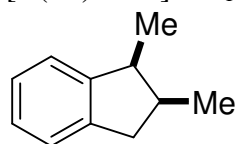
Hydrogenation Results



Ligand L	p (H ₂) [bar]	Time [h]	mol% Cat.	Conv. [%]	ee [%]	opt. Rotation
(S)-1a	50	4	2	>99	84	(+)
(R,R)-2a	50	4	2	>99	83	(-)
(S)-3a	50	4	2	>99	95	(+)
(S)-3b	50	4	2	95	94	(+)
(S)-4a	50	4	2	>99	79	(+)
(S)-4b	50	4	2	>99	63	(+)
(S)-4c	50	4	2	>99	30	(+)
(S)-4d	50	4	2	>99	78	(+)
(S)-4e	50	4	2	>99	78	(+)
(S)-4f	50	4	2	>99	73	(+)
(S)-4g	50	4	2	>99	58	(+)
(S)-4h	50	4	2	>99	11	(+)
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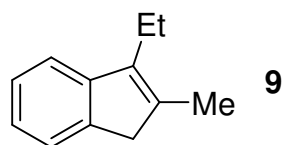
(S)-4k	50	4	2	>99	86	(+)
	50	4	1	>99	86	(+)
	50	4	0.5	>99	83	(+)
	50	4	0.1	94	79	(+)
	5	8	2	>99	93	(+)
(S)-4l	50	4	2	>99	84	(+)
(S)-4m	50	4	2	>99	56	(+)
(R)-4n	50	4	2	>99	80	(-)
(S)-4p	50	4	2	>99	70	(+)
(S)-4q	50	4	2	>99	66	(+)

Analytical Data for the hydrogenation product of **7** obtained by reduction using [Ir(**4k**)COD]BAr_F at 50 bar.



cis-1,2-dimethylindane

Elemental Analysis for C₁₁H₁₄ (146.23) calc.: C, 90.35; H, 9.65; found: C, 90.52; H, 9.78; [α]_D²⁰ = +13.0 (c = 2.05, CHCl₃ 86% ee); **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 0.96 (d, 3H, J_{HH} = 6.8, CH₃CHCH₂), 1.12 (d, 3H, J_{HH} = 7.1, CH₃CH), 2.51-2.61 (m, 2H), 2.96 (m_c, 1H), 3.14, (quintet, 1H, J_{HH} = 7.1, CH₃CH), 7.10-7.19 (m, 4H, H_{Ar}); **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 14.6 (CH₃), 15.1 (CH₂CHCH₃), 37.8 (CHCH₃), 39.4 (CH₂), 42.4 (CH₂CHCH₃), 123.5 (HC_{Ar}), 124.4 (HC_{Ar}), 126.0 (HC_{Ar}), 126.1 (HC_{Ar}), 142.9 (C_{Ar}), 148.8 (C_{Ar}); **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 146 (M⁺, 30), 131 (100), 115 (20), 103 (4), 91 (25), 77 (7), 63 (7), 51 (8), 39 (10); **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DEtTButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 25 m, 60 kPa H₂, 100 °C, 0 min, 4 K/min, 140 °C, 0 min, 10 K/min, 180 °C, 2 min): t_{R(-)} = 5.5 min, t_{R(+)} = 5.8 min; **IR** (ν [cm⁻¹]) = 3069w, 3042w, 3019w, 2958vs, 2928s, 2915s, 2870s, 2840s, 1476s, 1460s, 1448s, 1378m, 1327w, 1260w, 1145w, 1019w, 935w, 759s, 749vs, 730s, 726s, 676m; **TLC** (SiO₂, hexanes) R_f = 0.40.

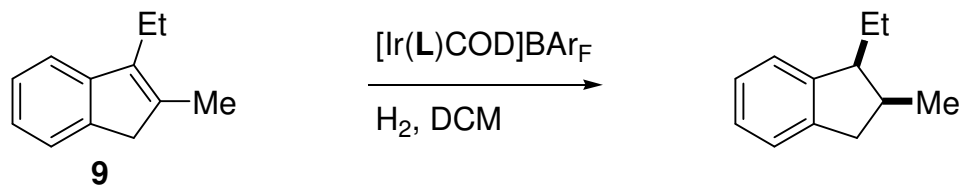


3-ethyl-2-methyl-1H-indene

Elemental Analysis for C₁₂H₁₄ (158.24) calc.: C, 91.08; H, 8.92; found: C, 91.05; H, 9.00; **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 1.14 (t, 3H, J_{HH} = 7.6 Hz, CH₃CH₂), 2.06 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.50 (q, 2H, J_{HH} = 7.6 Hz, CH₃CH₂), 3.26 (s, 2H, CH₂), 7.11 (m_c, 1H, H_{Ar}), 7.25 (m_c, 2H, H_{Ar}), 7.36 (m_c, 1H, H_{Ar}); **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃, 300 K): δ = 13.3 (CH₃), 13.7 (CH₃), 18.4 (CH₂CH₃), 42.5 (CH₂), 118.1 (HC_{Ar}), 123.2 (HC_{Ar}), 123.4 (HC_{Ar}), 125.9 (HC_{Ar}), 137.5 (C=CCH₃), 138.7 (C₂H₅C=C), 142.7 (C_{Ar}CH₂), 146.5 (C_{Ar}C); **GC** (chiral, γ -Cyclodextrin Trifluoroacetyl, Chiradex G-TA, 0.25 mm, 30 m, 60 kPa H₂, 95 °C, 13 min, 10 K/min, 160 °C, 5 min): t_R = 16.5 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 158 (M⁺, 64), 143 (100), 129 (53), 115 (16), 71 (5); **IR**

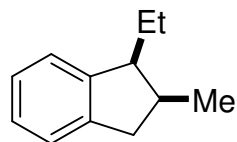
($\nu[\text{cm}^{-1}]$) = 3044s, 3016s, 2965s, 2928s, 2875s, 1629m, 1606m, 1461s, 1393s, 1222w, 1058m, 1020m, 935w, 763s, 721s; **TLC** (SiO_2 , hexanes) R_f = 0.27.

Hydrogenation Results



Ligand L	p (H ₂) [bar]	Time [h]	mol% Cat.	Conv. [%]	ee [%]	opt. Rotation
(S)- 1a	50	4	2	>99	76	(+)
(R,R)- 2a	50	4	2	>99	86	(+)
(S)- 3a	50	4	2	>99	92	(+)
(S)- 3b	50	4	2	98	94	(+)
(S)- 4a	50	4	2	>99	79	(+)
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(S)- 4f	50	4	2	>99	73	(+)
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(S)- 4i	50	4	2	>99	69	(+)
(S)- 4j	50	4	2	>99	76	(+)
(S)- 4k	50	4	2	>99	84	(+)
	5	8	2	>99	93	(+)
(S)- 4l	50	4	2	>99	48	(+)
(S)- 4m	50	4	2	>99	81	(+)
(R)- 4n	50	4	2	>99	77	(-)
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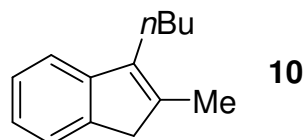
Analytical Data for the hydrogenation product of **9** obtained by reduction using [Ir(**3b**)COD]BAR_F at 50 bar. Residual **9** was oxidized with *m*CPBA^[2] and the pure product was obtained after column chromatography (SiO_2 , hexanes).



cis-1-ethyl-2-methylindane

Elemental Analysis for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{16}$ (160.26) calc.: C, 89.94; H, 10.06; found: C, 89.98; H, 9.91; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = +1.7 (c = 1.85, CHCl_3 , 94% ee); ¹H-NMR (400.1 MHz, CDCl_3 , 300K): δ = 0.94 (d, 3H, ³ J_{HH} = 6.9 Hz, CH_3), 1.01 (t, 3H, ³ J_{HH} = 7.4 Hz, CH_2CH_3), 1.49-1.68 (m, 2H), 2.51-2.66 (m, 2H),

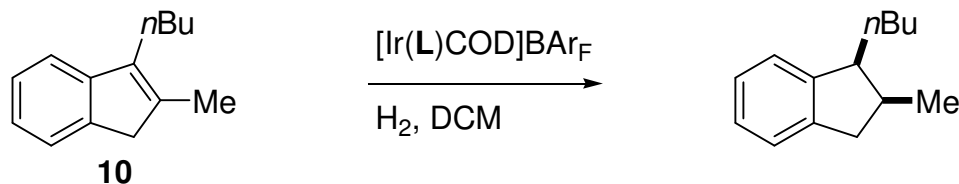
2.87-2.96 (m, 2H), 7.10-7.20 (m, 4H, H_{Ar}); **$^{13}C\{^1H\}$ -NMR** (125.8 MHz, $CDCl_3$, 300K): δ = 12.3 (CH_2CH_3), 14.7 (CH_3), 21.2 (CH_2CH_3), 37.3 ($CHCH_3$), 39.7 (CH_2), 49.6 ($CHCH_2$), 124.2 (HC_{Ar}), 124.5 (HC_{Ar}), 125.7 (HC_{Ar}), 126.0 (HC_{Ar}), 143.4 (C_{Ar}), 147.1 (C_{Ar}); **GC** (Restek Rtx-1701, 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 30m, 60 kPa He, 100 °C, 2 min, 7 K/min, 250 °C, 15 min): t_R = 13, 56 min; **GC** (chiral, γ -Cyclodextrin Trifluoroacetyl, Chiradex G-TA, 0.25 mm, 30 m, 60 kPa H_2 , 95 °C, 13 min, 10 K/min, 180 °C, 2 min): $t_{R(-)}$ = 10.9 min, $t_{R(+)}$ = 11.3 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 160 (M^+ , 16), 143 (1), 131 (100), 115 (14), 91 (17); **IR** ($\nu[cm^{-1}]$) = 3070w, 3024w, 2955s, 2924s, 2839m, 1605w, 1458s, 1373m, 1335w, 1219w, 1142w, 1080w, 1018w, 933w, 748s, 663m; **TLC** (SiO_2 , hexanes) R_f = 0.38.



3-butyl-2-methyl-1H-indene

Elemental Analysis for $C_{14}H_{18}$ (186.29) calc.: C, 90.26; H, 9.74; found: C, 90.13; H, 9.82; **1H -NMR** (400.1 MHz, $CDCl_3$, 300K): δ = 0.93 (t, 3H, J_{HH} = 7.3Hz, CH_3CH_2), 1.37 (m_c , 2H, $CH_2CH_2CH_3$), 1.53 (m_c , 2H, CCH_2CH_2), 2.06 (s, 3H, $C=CCH_3$), 2.51 (t, 2H, J_{HH} = 7.5 Hz, $C=CCH_2$), 3.26 (s, 2H, $C_{Ar}CH_2$), 7.10 (m_c , 1H, H_{Ar}), 7.24 (m_c , 2H, H_{Ar}), 7.36 (m_c , 1H, H_{Ar}); **$^{13}C\{^1H\}$ -NMR** (100.6 MHz, $CDCl_3$, 300 K): δ = 14.0 (CH_3), 14.0 (CH_3), 22.8 (*butyl*- CH_2), 25.0 (*butyl*- CH_2), 30.9 (*butyl*- CH_2), 42.5 (CH_2), 118.2 (HC_{Ar}), 123.1 (HC_{Ar}), 123.4 (HC_{Ar}), 125.9 (HC_{Ar}), 137.3 ($C=CCH_3$), 138.1 ($C_4H_9C=C$), 142.6 ($C_{Ar}CH_2$), 146.9 ($C_{Ar}C$); **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DETButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 25 m, 60 kPa H_2 , 130 °C, 10 min, 10 K/min, 180 °C, 2 min): t_R = 12.3 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 186 (M^+ , 56), 143 (100), 129 (49), 128 (50), 115 (17), 77 (2); **IR** ($\nu[cm^{-1}]$) = 3044m, 3016m, 2928s, 2860s, 2361m, 1628m, 1607m, 1461s, 1397m, 1210w, 1156w, 1108w, 1021w, 981w, 933w, 761s, 720s; **TLC** (SiO_2 , hexanes:ethyl acetate, 10:1) R_f = 0.69.

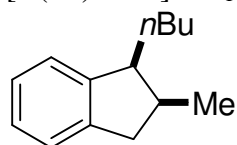
Hydrogenation Results



Ligand L	p (H_2) [bar]	Time [h]	mol% Cat.	Conv. [%]	ee [%]	opt. Rotation
(S)-1a	50	4	2	>99	81	(-)
(R,R)-2a	50	4	2	>99	88	(-)
(S)-3a	50	4	2	>99	94	(-)
(S)-3b	50	4	2	97	95	(-)
(S)-4a	50	4	2	99	72	(-)
(S)-4b	50	4	2	93	67	(-)
(S)-4c	50	4	2	99	69	(-)
(S)-4d	50	4	2	99	69	(-)

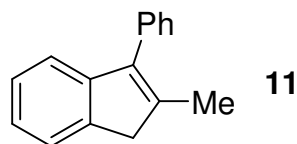
(S)- 4f	50	4	2	79	61	(-)
(S)- 4i	50	4	2	92	64	(-)
(S)- 4j	50	4	2	>99	77	(-)
(S)- 4k	50	4	2	>99	90	(-)
	5	8	2	>99	94	(-)
(S)- 4l	50	4	2	>99	85	(-)
(S)- 4m	50	4	2	22	47	(-)
(S)- 4p	50	4	2	>99	81	(-)

Analytical Data for the hydrogenation product of **10** obtained by reduction using [Ir(**4k**)COD]BAR_F at 50 bar.



cis-1-butyl-2-methylindane

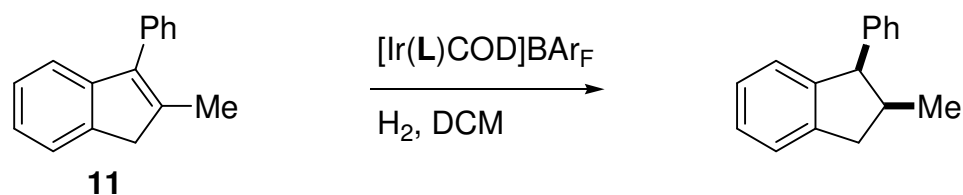
Elemental Analysis for C₁₄H₂₀ (188.31) calc.: C, 89.29; H, 10.71; found: C, 89.45; H, 10.65; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -6.4$ ($c = 1.39$, CHCl₃ 90% ee); **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): $\delta = 0.91$ -0.95 (m, 6H, 2×CH₃), 1.38 (m_c, 4H), 1.55 (m_c, 2H), 2.51-2.65 (m, 2H), 2.90-3.00 (m, 2H), 7.11-7.20 (m, 4H, H_{Ar}). **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃, 300 K): $\delta = 14.1$ (CH₃), 14.8 (CH₃), 23.1 (CH₂), 28.1 (CH₂), 30.0 (CH₂), 37.5 (CHCH₃), 39.7 (CH₂), 47.9 (CHC_{Ar}), 124.1 (HC_{Ar}), 124.5 (HC_{Ar}), 125.7 (HC_{Ar}), 126.0 (HC_{Ar}), 143.4 (C_{Ar}), 147.2 (C_{Ar}); **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DEtTButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 25 m, 60 kPa H₂, 130 °C, 10 min, 10 K/min, 180 °C, 2 min): $t_{R(+)}$ = 8.5 min, $t_{R(-)}$ = 8.8 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 188 (M⁺, 14), 131 (100), 115 (11), 91 (13); **IR** (ν [cm⁻¹]) = 3019w, 2955s, 2924s, 2871m, 2856m 1475m, 1457m, 1376m, 748m, 737m, 699w; **TLC** (SiO₂, hexanes) R_f = 0.41.



2-methyl-3-phenyl-1H-indene

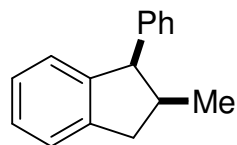
Elemental Analysis for C₁₆H₁₄ (206.28) calc.: C, 93.16; H, 6.84; found: C, 93.14; H, 6.88; **M.P.**: 55-56 °C; **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): $\delta = 2.14$ (s, 3H, CH₃), 3.46 (s, 2H, CH₂), 7.14-7.17 (m_c, 1H, H_{Ar}), 7.23 (dd, 2H, $J_{HH} = 3.6$ Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.35 (m_c, 1H, H_{Ar}), 7.39-7.48 (m, 5H, H_{Ar}); **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃, 300 K): $\delta = 14.8$ (CH₃), 43.1 (CH₂), 119.2 (HC_{Ar}), 123.4 (HC_{Ar}), 123.9 (HC_{Ar}), 126.1 (HC_{Ar}), 127.0 (HC_{Ar}), 128.4 (HC_{Ar}), 129.1 (HC_{Ar}), 135.5 (C=C), 138.6 (C=C), 140.6 (C_{Ar}), 142.4 (C_{Ar}CH₂), 146.3 (C_{Ar}); **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DEtTButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 25 m, 60 kPa H₂, 120 °C, 0 min, 4 K/min, 180 °C, 10 min): $t_R = 18.3$; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 206 (M⁺, 100), 191 (61), 178 (6), 165 (15), 139 (3), 128 (16), 101 (7), 91 (13), 77 (5), 51 (7); **IR** (ν [cm⁻¹]) = 3076w, 3020w, 2970w, 2905w, 2851w, 2756w, 1616w, 1595w, 1491m, 1458s, 1435s, 1383m, 1352w, 1317w, 1292w, 1151w, 1072m, 1024m, 989w, 939w, 918w, 858w, 771s, 721s, 700s, 638s; **TLC** (SiO₂, hexanes) R_f = 0.29.

Hydrogenation Results



Ligand L	p (H ₂) [bar]	Time [h]	mol% Cat.	Conv. [%]	ee [%]	opt. Rotation
(S)-1a	50	4	2	99	90	(+)
(S)-1b	50	4	2	11	75	(+)
(R,R)-2a	50	4	2	14	66	(-)
(S)-3b	50	4	2	9	96	(+)
(S)-4a	50	4	2	85	92	(+)
(S)-4b	50	4	2	13	81	(+)
(S)-4c	50	4	2	54	80	(+)
(S)-4d	50	4	2	75	90	(+)
(S)-4e	50	4	2	99	91	(+)
(S)-4f	50	4	2	57	87	(+)
(S)-4g	50	4	2	3	78	(+)
(S)-4h	50	4	2	32	82	(+)
(S)-4i	50	8	2	97	85	(+)
(S)-4j	50	4	2	93	87	(+)
(S)-4k	50	4	2	99	95	(+)
	50	4	1	97	95	(+)
	50	4	0.5	95	95	(+)
	50	4	0.1	84	95	(+)
	10	4	2	91	96	(+)
	5	8	2	78	96	(+)
(S)-4l	50	4	2	22	85	(+)
(S)-4m	50	4	2	22	71	(+)
(R)-4n	50	4	2	88	87	(-)
(S)-4p	50	4	2	99	93	(+)
(S)-4q	50	4	2	>99	92	(+)

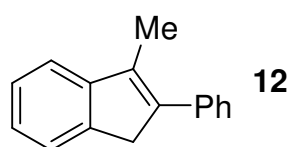
Analytical Data for the hydrogenation product of **11** obtained by reduction using [Ir(**4k**)COD]BAR_F at 50 bar. Residual **11** was oxidized with *m*CPBA^[2] and the pure product was obtained after column chromatography (SiO₂, hexanes:ethyl acetate 50:1).



cis-1-phenyl-2-methylindane

Elemental Analysis for C₁₆H₁₆ (208.30) calc.: C, 92.26; H, 7.74; found: C, 92.38; H, 7.94; [α]_D²⁰ = +56.0 (c = 1.43, CHCl₃, 95% ee); ¹H-NMR (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 0.70 (dd, 3H, J_{HH}

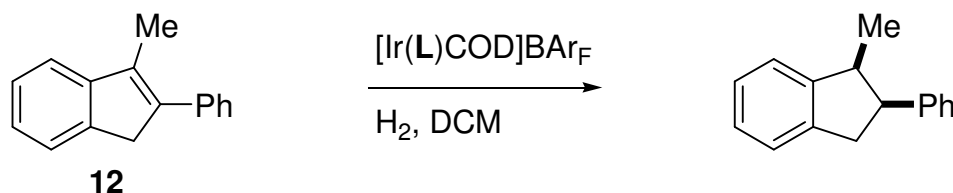
= 0.8 Hz, $J_{\text{HH}} = 7.0$ Hz, CH_3), 2.68 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{HH}} = 7.4$ Hz, $J_{\text{HH}} = 15.4$ Hz, $\text{CH}_{2\text{a}}$), 2.83 (m, 1H CHCH_3), 3.05 (dd, 1H, $J_{\text{HH}} = 7.4$ Hz, $J_{\text{HH}} = 15.4$ Hz, $\text{CH}_{2\text{b}}$), 4.37 (d, 1H, $J_{\text{HH}} = 7.9$ Hz, CHC_6H_5), 6.98 (m_{c} , 2H, H_{Ar}), 7.14-7.33 (m_{c} , 7H, H_{Ar}); **$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ -NMR** (125.8 MHz, CDCl_3 , 300K): $\delta = 16.8$ (CH_3), 39.5 (CHCH_3), 39.7 (CH_2), 55.3 (CHC_6H_5), 124.5 (HC_{Ar}), 125.4 (HC_{Ar}), 126.2 (HC_{Ar}), 126.4 (HC_{Ar}), 126.6 (HC_{Ar}), 128.0 (HC_{Ar}), 129.1 (HC_{Ar}), 141.6 (C_{Ar}), 144.0 (C_{Ar}), 146.2 (C_{Ar}); **GC** (Restek Rtx-1701, 0.25 mm, 0.25 μm , 30m, 60 kPa He, 100 $^\circ\text{C}$, 2 min, 7 K/min, 250 $^\circ\text{C}$, 15 min): $t_{\text{R}} = 13.6$ min; **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DEtTButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μm , 25 m, 60 kPa H_2 , 120 $^\circ\text{C}$, 0 min, 4 K/min, 180 $^\circ\text{C}$, 10 min): $t_{\text{R}(-)} = 13.7$ min, $t_{\text{R}(+)} = 13.9$ min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 208 (M^+ , 78), 179 (100), 165 (17), 152 (8), 130 (22), 115 (30), 91 (18), 77 (7), 63 (8), 51 (9); **IR** ($\nu[\text{cm}^{-1}]$) = 3063w, 3022m, 2955m, 2925m, 2902m, 2869w, 2840w, 1600m, 1493m, 1479m, 1451s, 1376m, 1075m, 1031w, 795m, 750s, 737vs, 720m, 700vs; **TLC** (SiO_2 , hexanes:ethyl acetate 50:1) $R_{\text{f}} = 0.48$.



3-methyl-2-phenyl-1H-indene

Elemental Analysis for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{14}$ (206.28) calc.: C, 93.16; H, 6.84; found: C, 93.04; H, 6.87; **M.P.:** 73-74 $^\circ\text{C}$; **^1H -NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl_3 , 300K): $\delta = 2.31$ (t, 3H, $J_{\text{HH}} = 2.1$ Hz, CH_3), 3.74 (q, 2H, $J_{\text{HH}} = 2.0$ Hz, CH_2), 7.15 (m_{c} , 1H, H_{Ar}), 7.23 (m_{c} , 2H, H_{Ar}), 7.33-7.48 (m, 6H, H_{Ar}); **$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ -NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3 , 300 K): $\delta = 11.9$ (CH_3), 41.0 (CH_2), 119.1 (HC_{Ar}), 123.3 (HC_{Ar}), 124.7 (HC_{Ar}), 126.4 (HC_{Ar}), 126.6 (HC_{Ar}), 128.2 (HC_{Ar}), 128.4 (HC_{Ar}), 134.7 (C_{quart}), 137.6 (C_{quart}), 140.3 (C_{quart}), 142.4 (C_{quart}), 147.5 (C_{quart}); **GC** (Restek Rtx-1701, 0.25 mm, 0.25 μm , 30m, 60 kPa He, 100 $^\circ\text{C}$, 2 min, 7 K/min, 250 $^\circ\text{C}$, 7 min): $t_{\text{R}} = 25.5$ min; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiracel OJ, 0.46 cm $\times$ 25 cm, *n*-Heptane:*iso*-Propanol = 80:20, 0.5 mL/min, 20 $^\circ\text{C}$): $t_{\text{R}} = 14.2$ min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 206 (M^+ , 100), 191 (62), 165 (13), 152 (4), 128 (15), 101 (6), 91 (12), 63 (5), 51 (7); **IR** ($\nu[\text{cm}^{-1}]$) = 3070w, 3046w, 3019w, 2010w, 2902w, 2882w, 2858w, 2835w, 1596w, 1492m, 1457m, 1438w, 1389m, 1373m, 1298w, 1244w, 1207m, 1187w, 1154w, 1133w, 1106w, 1061w, 1030w, 978w, 940w, 918w, 757vs, 717s, 707m, 697s, 650m; **TLC** (SiO_2 , hexanes:ethyl acetate 50:1) $R_{\text{f}} = 0.46$.

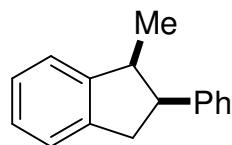
Hydrogenation Results



Ligand L	p (H_2) [bar]	Time [h]	mol% Cat.	Conv. [%]	ee [%]	opt. Rotation
(S)-4a	50	4	2	11	24	(+)
(S)-4b	50	4	2	2	13	(+)
(S)-4c	50	4	2	11	67	(-)
(S)-4d	50	4	2	15	6	(+)

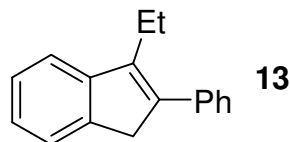
(S)-4e	50	4	2	22	29	(+)
(S)-4f	50	4	2	3	39	(-)
(S)-4i	50	4	2	4	47	(-)
(S)-4j	50	4	2	12	65	(-)
(S)-4k	50	4	2	20	88	(+)
(S)-4m	50	4	2	3	32	(+)
(R)-4n	50	4	2	16	83	(-)
(S)-4p	50	4	2	42	71	(+)

Analytical Data for the hydrogenation product of **12** obtained by reduction using [Ir(**4k**)COD]BAR_F at 50 bar. Residual **13** was oxidized with *m*CPBA^[2] and the pure product was obtained after column chromatography (SiO₂, hexanes:ethyl acetate 50:1).



cis-1-methyl-2-phenylindane

Elemental Analysis for C₁₆H₁₆ (208.30) calc.: C, 92.26; H, 7.74; found: C, 92.16; H, 7.90; [α]_D²⁰ = +163 (c = 1.0, CHCl₃ 88% ee); **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 0.86 (d, 3H, *J*_{HH} = 7.3 Hz, CH₃), 3.26 (dq, 2H, *J*_{HH} = 7.8Hz, *J*_{HH} = 15.6Hz), 3.51 (quintett, 1H, *J*_{HH} = 7.3Hz), 3.77 (q, 1H, *J*_{HH} = 7.8Hz), 7.16-7.32 (m, 9H, H_{Ar}); **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃, 300 K): δ = 16.1 (CH₃), 36.3 (CH₂), 43.7 (CH), 49.4 (CH), 123.7 (HC_{Ar}), 124.3 (HC_{Ar}), 126.1 (HC_{Ar}), 126.4 (HC_{Ar}), 126.5 (HC_{Ar}), 128.1 (HC_{Ar}), 128.2 (HC_{Ar}), 142.4 (C_{quart}), 142.6 (C_{quart}), 148.4 (C_{quart}); **GC** (Restek Rtx-1701, 0.25 mm, 0.25 μm, 30m, 60 kPa He, 100 °C, 2 min, 7 K/min, 250 °C, 7 min): t_R = 21.9 min; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiracel OJ, 0.46 cm × 25 cm, *n*-Heptane:*iso*-Propanol = 80:20, 0.5 mL/min, 20 °C): t_{R(-)} = 10.7 min, t_{R(+)} = 22.1 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 208 (M⁺, 97), 193 (86), 178 (48), 165 (17), 151 (3), 130 (100), 115 (88), 91 (38), 77 (18), 65 (14), 63 (12), 51 (18); **IR** (ν[cm⁻¹]) = 3062m, 3041m, 3022m, 2958m, 2926m, 2868m, 2844m, 1603m, 1493s, 1476s, 1453s, 1371w, 1325w, 749vs, 700vs; **TLC** (SiO₂, hexanes:ethyl acetate 50:1) R_f = 0.46.

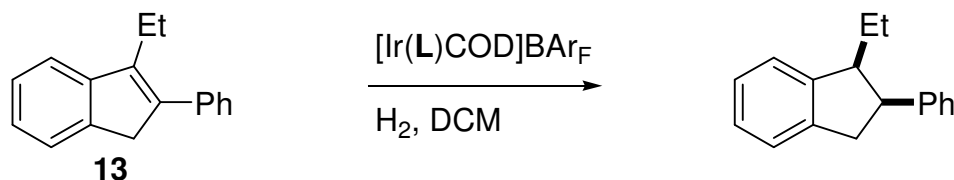


3-ethyl-2-phenyl-1H-indene

Elemental Analysis for C₁₇H₁₆ (220.31) calc.: C, 92.68; H, 7.32; found: C, 92.76; H, 7.44; **M.P.**: 41 – 42 °C; **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 1.32 (t, 3H, *J*_{HH} = 7.6 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 2.76 (tq, 2H, *J*_{HH} = 1.0 Hz, *J*_{HH} = 7.6 Hz, CH₂CH₃), 3.74 (s, 2H, CH₂), 7.21 (dt, 1H, *J*_{HH} = 1.2 Hz, *J*_{HH} = 7.4 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.29 (m_c, 1H, H_{Ar}), 7.34 (m_c, 1H, H_{Ar}), 7.39-7.50 (m, 6H, H_{Ar}); **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃, 300 K): δ = 13.7 (CH₃), 19.4 (CH₂), 41.3 (CH₂), 119.4 (HC_{Ar}), 123.5 (HC_{Ar}), 124.6 (HC_{Ar}), 126.3 (HC_{Ar}), 126.8 (HC_{Ar}), 128.1 (HC_{Ar}), 128.4 (HC_{Ar}), 137.6 (C_{quart}), 139.9 (C_{quart}), 140.8 (C_{quart}), 142.8 (C_{quart}), 146.4 (C_{quart}); **GC** (Restek Rtx-1701, 0.25 mm, 0.25 μm, 30m, 60 kPa He, 100 °C, 2 min, 7 K/min, 250 °C, 7 min): t_R = 25.6 min; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiracel OJ, 0.46 cm × 25 cm, *n*-Heptane:*iso*-Propanol = 80:20, 0.5 mL/min, 20 °C): t_R = 12.8 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 220 (M⁺, 100.0), 205 (85), 191 (86), 178 (8), 165 (18), 142 (5), 128 (6),

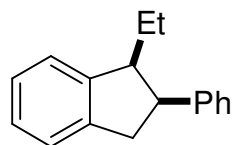
115 (8), 101 (8), 77 (7), 51 (7); **IR** ($\nu[\text{cm}^{-1}]$) = 3077w, 3064w, 3019w, 2965w, 2957w, 2930w, 2871w, 1597w, 1490m, 1458m, 1442m, 1383w, 1372w, 1238w, 1207w, 1151w, 1110w, 1068w, 1051w, 1034w, 1020w, 914w, 858w, 758s, 723s, 694s, 655w; **TLC** (SiO_2 , hexanes:ethyl acetate 50:1) R_f = 0.46.

Hydrogenation Results



Ligand L	p (H ₂) [bar]	Time [h]	mol% Cat.	Conv. [%]	ee [%]	opt. Rotation
(S)-4a	50	4	2	12	70	(-)
(S)-4b	50	4	2	2	55	(-)
(S)-4c	50	4	2	7	19	(+)
(S)-4d	50	4	2	11	37	(-)
(S)-4e	50	4	2	19	72	(-)
(S)-4f	50	4	2	2	48	(-)
(S)-4i	50	4	2	4	24	(-)
(S)-4j	50	4	2	6	30	(-)
(S)-4k	50	4	2	23	93	(-)
(S)-4m	50	4	2	3	31	(-)
(R)-4n	50	4	2	19	82	(+)
(S)-4p	50	4	2	30	84	(-)

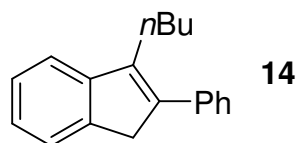
Analytical Data for the hydrogenation product of **13** obtained by reduction using [Ir(**4k**)COD]BAR_F at 50 bar. Residual **13** was oxidized with *m*CPBA^[2] and the pure product was obtained after column chromatography (SiO_2 , hexanes:ethyl acetate 50:1).



cis-1-ethyl-2-phenylindane

Elemental Analysis for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{18}$ (222.32) calc.: C, 91.84; H, 8.16; found: C, 91.74; H, 8.20; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ = -134 (c = 1.66, CHCl_3 93% ee); **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl_3 , 300K): δ = 0.82 (t, 3H, J_{HH} = 7.4 Hz, CH_3), 1.18 (dq, 1H, J_{HH} = 6.2 Hz, J_{HH} = 7.3 Hz, J_{HH} = 14.4 Hz, $\text{CH}_{2a}\text{CH}_3$), 1.30 (m, 1H), 3.21 (m, 3H), 3.81 (dd, 1H, J_{HH} = 7.7 Hz, J_{HH} = 15.8 Hz), 7.17–7.30 (m, 9H, H_{Ar}); **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3 , 300 K): δ = 12.1 (CH_3), 22.5 (CH_2), 36.4 (CH_2), 49.7 ($\text{C}_{\text{Ar}}\text{CH}$), 51.0 ($\text{C}_{\text{Ar}}\text{CH}$), 124.5 (HC_{Ar}), 124.6 (HC_{Ar}), 125.9 (HC_{Ar}), 126.1 (HC_{Ar}), 126.4 (HC_{Ar}), 128.1 (HC_{Ar}), 128.2 (HC_{Ar}), 142.2 (C_{Ar}), 143.0 (C_{Ar}), 147.1 (C_{Ar}); **GC** (Restek Rtx-1701, 0.25 mm, 0.25 μm , 30m, 60 kPa He, 100 °C, 2 min, 7 K/min, 250 °C, 7 min): t_R = 25.6 min; **HPLC** (Daicel Chiracel OJ, 0.46 cm $\times$ 25 cm, *n*-Heptane:*iso*-Propanol = 80:20, 0.5 mL/min, 20 °C): $t_{R(+)}$ = 8.4 min, $t_{R(-)}$ = 19.8 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 222 (M^+ , 47), 193 (100), 178 (22), 165 (9), 144 (5), 131 (13), 115

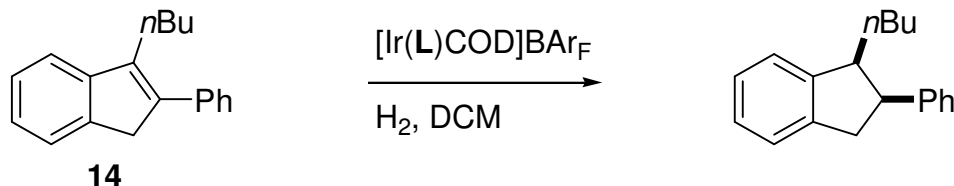
(63), 91 (26), 77 (8), 65 (7), 51 (7); **IR** ($\nu[\text{cm}^{-1}]$) = 3064w, 3022m, 2957m, 2931m, 2872m, 1602w, 1493m, 1474m, 1453m, 1376w, 1329w, 1154w, 1069w, 1031w, 932w, 907w, 759s, 747vs, 728m, 697vs, 650w; **TLC** (SiO_2 , hexanes:ethyl acetate 50:1) R_f = 0.37.



3-butyl-2-phenyl-1H-indene

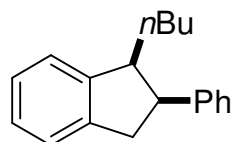
Elemental Analysis for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{20}$ (248.36) calc.: C, 91.88; H, 8.12; found: C, 91.93; H, 8.25; **^1H -NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl_3 , 300K): δ = 0.94 (t, 3H, J_{HH} = 7.3Hz, CH_3), 1.44 (m, 2H, *butyl-CH*₂), 1.68 (m, 2H, *butyl-CH*₂), 2.72 (m, 2H, *butyl-CH*₂), 3.73 (s, 2H, CCH_2), 7.19-7.49 (m, 9H, H_{Ar}); **$^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ -NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3 , 300 K): δ = 13.9 (CH_3), 23.1 (CH_2), 26.0 (CH_2), 31.1 (CH_2), 41.4 (CH_2), 119.5 (HC_{Ar}), 123.5 (HC_{Ar}), 124.6 (HC_{Ar}), 126.3 (HC_{Ar}), 126.7 (HC_{Ar}), 128.1 (HC_{Ar}), 128.4 (HC_{Ar}), 137.7 (C_{quart}), 139.6 (C_{quart}), 140.3 (C_{quart}), 142.8 (C_{quart}), 146.7 (C_{quart}); **GC** (Restek Rtx-1701, 0.25 mm, 0.25 μm , 30m, 60 kPa He, 100 $^\circ\text{C}$, 2 min, 7 K/min, 250 $^\circ\text{C}$, 7 min): t_R = 28.2 min; **HPLC**, *Method B*: (Daicel Chiracel OJ, 0.46 cm $\times$ 25 cm, *n*-Heptane, 0.5 mL/min, 20 $^\circ\text{C}$): $t_{R(+)}$ and **14** = 17.5 min; (Daicel Chiralpak AD-H, 0.46 cm $\times$ 25 cm, *n*-Heptane, 0.5 mL/min, 39 $^\circ\text{C}$): $t_R(\mathbf{14})$ = 9.6 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 248 (M^+ , 62), 205 (100), 192 (39), 178 (7), 165 (10), 152 (4), 128 (7), 115 (6), 101 (5), 91 (10), 63 (2), 41 (6); **IR** ($\nu[\text{cm}^{-1}]$) = 3054w, 3020w, 2955m, 2926m, 2858m, 1599m, 1492m, 1465s, 1459s, 1442m, 1393m, 1378w, 1245w, 1210w, 1036w, 1022w, 757vs, 718m, 696s; **TLC** (SiO_2 , hexanes) R_f = 0.52.

Hydrogenation Results



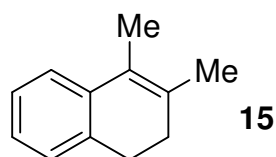
Ligand L	p (H_2) [bar]	Time [h]	mol% Cat.	Conv. [%]	ee [%]	opt. Rotation
(<i>S</i>)- 1a	50	4	2	30	75	(+)
(<i>R,R</i>)- 2a	50	4	2	4	8	(-)
(<i>S</i>)- 4k	50	4	2	14	90	(-)
(<i>S</i>)- 4p	50	4	2	21	81	(-)

Analytical Data for the hydrogenation product of **14** obtained by reduction using $[\text{Ir}(\mathbf{4k})\text{COD}]\text{BAR}_F$ at 50 bar. Residual **14** was oxidized with *m*CPBA^[2] and the pure product was obtained after column chromatography (SiO_2 , hexanes).



cis-1-butyl-2-phenylindane

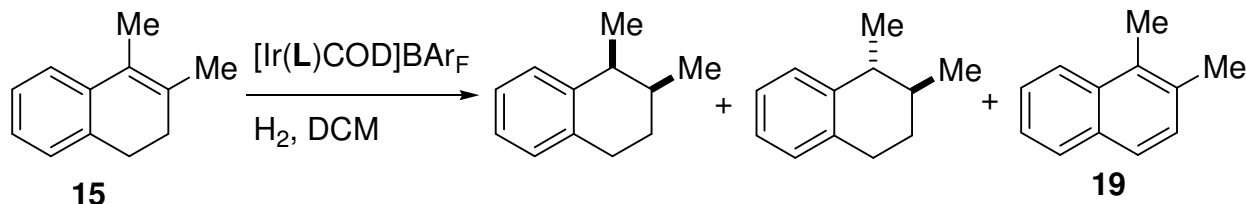
Elemental Analysis for C₁₉H₂₂ (250.38) calc.: C, 91.14; H, 8.86; found: C, 91.07; H, 8.98; [α]_D²⁰ = -11.5 (c = 2.5, CHCl₃, 90% ee); **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 0.76 (t, 3H, J_{HH} = 7.1 Hz, CH₃), 1.15 (m, 4H, *butyl*-CH₂), 1.27 (m, 2H, *butyl*-CH₂), 3.15 (dd, 1H, J_{HH} = 7.5 Hz, J_{HH} = 15.3 Hz), 3.24–3.33 (m, 2H), 3.79 (q, 1H, J_{HH} = 7.7 Hz), 7.16–7.30 (m, 9H, H_{Ar}); **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃, 300 K): δ = 14.0 (CH₃), 22.7 (CH₂), 29.1 (CH₂), 29.7 (CH₂), 36.5 (CH₂), 49.1 (CH), 49.8 (CH), 124.5 (HC_{Ar}), 124.5 (HC_{Ar}), 125.9 (HC_{Ar}), 126.1 (HC_{Ar}), 126.4 (HC_{Ar}), 128.1 (HC_{Ar}), 128.2 (HC_{Ar}), 142.2 (C_{Ar}), 143.0 (C_{Ar}), 147.4 (C_{Ar}); **GC** (Restek Rtx-1701, 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 30m, 60 kPa He, 100 °C, 2 min, 7 K/min, 250 °C, 7 min): t_R = 25.4 min; **HPLC**, *Method A*: Residual **14** was oxidized with *m*CPBA [12] and the pure product was obtained after column chromatography (SiO₂, hexanes:ethyl acetate 50:1) for HPLC-analysis: (Daicel Chiracel OJ, 0.46 cm $\times$ 25 cm, *n*-Heptane, 0.3 mL/min, 39 °C): $t_{R(+)}$ = 14.6 min, $t_{R(-)}$ = 19.8 min; *Method B*: direct measurement including **14** (Daicel Chiracel OJ, 0.46 cm $\times$ 25 cm, *n*-Heptane, 0.5 mL/min, 20 °C): $t_{R(-)}$ = 11.1 min, $t_{R(+)}$ and **14** = 17.5 min; (Daicel Chiralpak AD-H, 0.46 cm $\times$ 25 cm, *n*-Heptane, 0.5 mL/min, 39 °C): $t_{R(+/-)}$ = 7.3 min, t_R (**14**) = 9.6 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 250 (M⁺, 37), 193 (100), 178 (16), 117 (14), 115 (43), 91 (20); **IR** (ν [cm⁻¹]) = 3063w, 3021w, 2953w, 2925m, 2870w, 1602w, 1493m, 1475m, 1454m, 1077w, 1032w, 749s, 729w, 698vs; **TLC** (SiO₂, hexanes) R_f = 0.56.



3,4-dimethyl-1,2-dihydronaphthalene

Elemental Analysis for C₁₂H₁₄ (158.24) calc.: C, 91.08; H, 8.92; found: C, 91.08; H, 8.88; **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 1.91 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.02 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.22 (t, 2H, J_{HH} = 7.9 Hz, CH₂CH₂), 2.72 (t, 2H, J_{HH} = 7.9 Hz, C_{Ar}CH₂), 7.07–7.09 (m, 2H, H_{Ar}), 7.16–7.24 (m, 2H, H_{Ar}); **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃, 300 K): δ = 14.2 (CH₃), 20.4 (CH₃), 28.4 (CH₂), 30.6 (CH₂), 122.4 (HC_{Ar}), 125.0 (C_{quart}), 125.5 (HC_{Ar}), 126.2 (HC_{Ar}), 126.9 (HC_{Ar}), 132.3 (C_{quart}), 135.3 (C_{quart}), 137.2 (C_{quart}); **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DEtTButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 25 m, 60 kPa H₂, 100 °C, 0 min, 4 K/min, 180 °C, 5 min): t_R = 11.6 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 158 (M⁺, 55), 143 (100), 128 (55), 115 (26), 102 (3), 91 (4), 77 (7), 63 (9), 51 (9); **IR** (ν [cm⁻¹]) = 3569w, 3062m, 2989m, 2924s, 2881m, 2829m, 2362m, 1643w, 1487m, 1446m, 1380w, 1279w, 1227w, 1159w, 1073w, 1036m, 759s, 731m; **TLC** (SiO₂, hexanes: ethyl acetate, 10:1) R_f = 0.63.

Hydrogenation Results

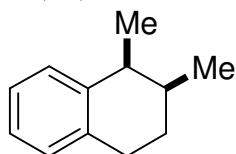


Ligand L	p(H ₂) [bar]	Time [h]	mol% Cat.	Conv. [%]*	ee [%]	opt. Rotation	trans- Product [%]	19 [%]
(<i>R,R</i>)-2a	50	4	2	46	77	(+)	0.5	4

(S)-3b	50	4	2	99	70	(-)	13	34
(S)-4a	50	4	2	>99	17	(-)	<0.2	2
(S)-4b	50	4	2	97	8	(-)	<0.5	3
(S)-4c	50	4	2	>99	36	(+)	<0.2	2
(S)-4d	50	4	2	>99	1	(-)	<0.2	2
(S)-4e	50	4	2	>99	16	(-)	<0.5	3
(S)-4f	50	4	2	>99	9	(-)	1	4
(S)-4g	50	4	2	91	9	(-)	1	4
(S)-4h	50	4	2	>99	52	(+)	2	6
(S)-4i	50	4	2	>99	12	(+)	2	4
(S)-4j	50	4	2	93	12	(+)	<0.2	3
(S)-4k	50	4	2	>99	65	(-)	<0.2	3
	50	4	1	>99	63	(-)	<0.2	3
	50	4	0.5	>99	60	(-)	<0.2	3
	50	4	0.1	>99	58	(-)	<0.2	3
	5	8	2	>99	73	(-)	<0.2	11
(S)-4l	50	4	2	93	47	(-)	<0.2	3
(S)-4m	50	4	2	94	39	(+)	<0.2	2
(R)-4n	50	4	2	99	42	(+)	<0.2	3
(S)-4p	50	4	2	>99	43	(-)	<0.2	3
(S)-4q	50	4	2	>99	39	(-)	<0.2	3

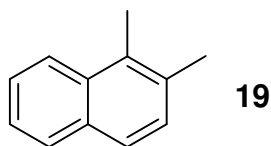
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Analytical Data for the hydrogenation product of **15** obtained by reduction using [Ir(**4k**)COD]BAR_F at 5 bar.



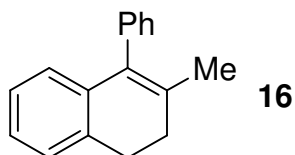
cis-1,2-dimethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene

Elemental Analysis for C₁₂H₁₆ (160.26) calc.: C, 89.94; H, 10.06; found: C, 90.05; H, 9.90; $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -49.3$ (c = 2.01, CHCl₃ 73% ee); **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 0.99 (d, 3H, J_{HH} = 6.9Hz, CH₃), 1.11 (d, 3H, J_{HH} = 7.2Hz, CH₃), 1.64 (dq, 2H, J_{HH} = 2.0Hz, J_{HH} = 6.4Hz), 1.98 (m, 1H), 2.82 (m, 3H), 7.08–7.16 (m, 4H, H_{Ar}); **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃, 300 K): δ = 17.4 (CH₃), 18.4 (CH₃), 25.8 (CH₂), 29.0 (CH₂), 32.1 (CH), 37.7 (CH), 125.4 (HC_{Ar}), 125.4 (HC_{Ar}), 128.9 (HC_{Ar}), 129.0 (HC_{Ar}), 135.9 (C_{Ar}), 143.3 (C_{Ar}); **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DEtTButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 25 m, 60 kPa H₂, 100 °C, 0 min, 4 K/min, 180 °C, 5 min): $t_{R(+)}$ = 8.7 min, $t_{R(-)}$ = 9.3 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 160 (M⁺, 46), 145 (100), 128 (17), 117 (64), 104 (10), 91 (27), 77 (12), 65 (9), 51 (11), 41 (9); **IR** (ν [cm⁻¹]) = 2957m, 2920m, 2871m, 1576m, 1488m, 1463m, 1446m, 1414w, 1377m, 1369m, 1340w, 1255w, 1123w, 1068w, 1052, 1038m, 953w, 909w, 787w, 753vs, 725vs; **TLC** (SiO₂, hexanes) R_f = 0.38.



1,2-dimethylnaphthalene

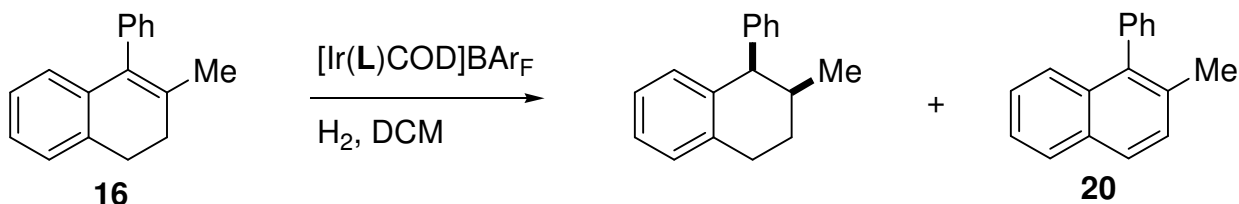
¹H-NMR (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 2.47 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.58 (s, 3H, CH₃), 7.28 (d, 1H, J_{HH} = 8.3 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.39 (ddd, 1H, J_{HH} = 1.1 Hz, J_{HH} = 6.8 Hz, J_{HH} = 7.9 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.47 (ddd, 1H, J_{HH} = 1.4 Hz, J_{HH} = 6.8 Hz, J_{HH} = 8.4 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.60 (d, 1H, J_{HH} = 8.3 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.77 (d, 1H, J_{HH} = 8.0 Hz, H_{Ar}), 8.01 (d, 1H, J_{HH} = 8.4 Hz); **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃, 300 K): δ = 14.5 (CH₃), 20.8 (CH₃), 123.7 (HC_{Ar}), 124.4 (HC_{Ar}), 125.6 (HC_{Ar}), 125.7 (HC_{Ar}), 128.4 (HC_{Ar}), 129.0 (HC_{Ar}), 131.1 (C_{Ar}), 132.2 (C_{Ar}), 132.7 (C_{Ar}), 133.1 (C_{Ar}); **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DEtTButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 25 m, 60 kPa H₂, 100 °C, 0 min, 4 K/min, 180 °C, 5 min): t_{R} = 13.5 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 156 (M⁺, 88), 141 (100), 128 (14), 115 (24), 102 (3), 89 (4), 77 (9), 63 (10), 51 (9); **TLC** (SiO₂, hexanes) R_{f} = 0.27.



3-methyl-4-phenyl-1,2-dihydronaphthalene

Elemental Analysis for C₁₇H₁₆ (220.31) calc.: C, 92.68; H, 7.32; found: C, 9.44; H, 7.37; **M.P.:** 34-35 °C; **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 1.73 (s, 3H, CH₃), 2.39 (dt, 2H, J_{HH} = 0.7 Hz, J_{HH} = 8.0 Hz, CH₂), 2.88 (*pst*, 2H, CH₂), 6.58 (dd, 1H, J_{HH} = 1.1 Hz, J_{HH} = 7.6 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.00 (m, 1H, H_{Ar}), 7.06 (dt, 1H, J_{HH} = 1.4 Hz, J_{HH} = 7.3 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.12-7.17 (m, 3H, H_{Ar}), 7.31 (m, 1H, H_{Ar}), 7.40 (m, 2H, H_{Ar}); **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃, 300 K): δ = 21.4 (CH₃), 28.3 (CH₂), 30.2 (CH₂), 125.2 (HC_{Ar}), 125.7 (HC_{Ar}), 126.1 (HC_{Ar}), 126.5 (HC_{Ar}), 127.0 (HC_{Ar}), 128.3 (HC_{Ar}), 130.3 (HC_{Ar}), 133.5 (C_{quart}), 134.1 (C_{quart}), 134.8 (C_{quart}), 136.9 (C_{quart}), 139.9 (C_{quart}); **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DEtTButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 25 m, 80 kPa H₂, 150 °C, 20 min, 10 K/min, 180 °C, 7 min): t_{R} = 21.6 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 220 (M⁺, 100), 205 (86), 191 (36), 178 (14), 165 (9), 142 (8), 128 (11), 115 (9), 101 (11), 77 (5), 51 (5); **IR** (ν [cm⁻¹]) = 3059w, 3016w, 2984w, 2924m, 2895w, 2822m, 1598w, 1490m, 1481m, 1441m, 1421m, 1376w, 1330w, 1296w, 1277w, 1228w, 1195w, 1175w, 1102w, 1070m, 1042w, 1020m, 1006m, 936w, 921w, 886w, 864w, 822w, 782s, 765s, 751s, 729s, 701s, 661s; **TLC** (SiO₂, hexanes) R_{f} = 0.19.

Hydrogenation Results

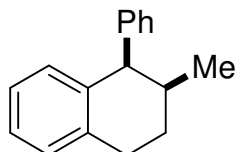


Ligand L	p(H ₂) [bar]	Time [h]	mol% Cat.	Conv. [%]*	ee [%]	opt. Rotation	20 [%]
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(R,R)-2a	50	4	2	0	n.d.	n.d.	4
(S)-3b	50	4	2	10	38	(-)	5
(S)-4a	50	4	2	24	83	(-)	<1
(S)-4b	50	4	2	3	58	(-)	<1
(S)-4c	50	4	2	32	91	(-)	<1
(S)-4d	50	4	2	36	87	(-)	1
(S)-4e	50	4	2	51	80	(-)	<1
(S)-4f	50	4	2	17	44	(-)	7
(S)-4g	50	4	2	3	64	(-)	<1
(S)-4h	50	4	2	28	84	(-)	4
(S)-4i	50	4	2	50	56	(-)	10
(S)-4j	50	4	2	38	59	(-)	7
(S)-4k	50	4	2	23	88	(-)	<1
(S)-4l	50	4	2	<1	n.d.	n.d.	<1
(S)-4m	50	4	2	3	60	(-)	<1
(R)-4n	50	4	2	17	78	(+)	<1
(S)-4p	50	4	2	44	84	(-)	<1
(S)-4q	50	4	2	45	83	(-)	<1

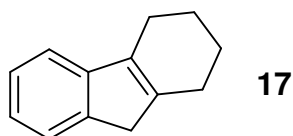
*Conversion includes **20**.

Analytical Data for the hydrogenation product of **16** obtained by reduction using [Ir(**4b**)COD]BAR_F at 50 bar. Residual **16** was oxidized with *m*CPBA^[2] and the pure product was obtained after column chromatography (SiO₂, hexanes:ethyl acetate 50:1).



cis-2-methyl-1-phenyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalene

Elemental Analysis for C₁₇H₁₈ (222.32) calc.: C, 91.84; H, 8.16; found: C, 91.96; H, 8.30; [α]_D²⁰ = -347 (c = 0.92, CHCl₃ 91% ee); **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 0.79 (d, 3H, *J*_{HH} = 6.9 Hz, CH₃), 1.55-1.72 (m, 2H, CH₂), 2.17 (m_c, 1H, CHCH₃), 2.87-3.02 (m, 2H, CH₂), 4.09 (d, 1H, *J*_{HH} = 5.3 Hz, CH), 6.92 (d, 1H, *J*_{HH} = 7.6 Hz, H_{Ar}), 6.96-6.98 (m, 2H, H_{Ar}), 7.03 (t, 1H, *J*_{HH} = 7.3 Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.10-7.24 (m, 5H, H_{Ar}); **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃, 300 K): δ = 19.5 (CH₃), 25.9 (CH₂), 29.0 (CH₂), 33.1 (CH₃CH), 50.3 (C₆H₅CH), 125.6 (HC_{Ar}), 125.8 (HC_{Ar}), 125.9 (HC_{Ar}), 127.4 (HC_{Ar}), 128.8 (HC_{Ar}), 130.5 (HC_{Ar}), 130.7 (HC_{Ar}), 136.8 (C_{Ar}), 139.8 (C_{Ar}), 143.3 (C_{Ar}); **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DEtTButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 25 m, 80 kPa H₂, 150 °C, 20 min, 10 K/min, 180 °C, 7 min): t_{R(+)} = 17.8 min, t_{R(-)} = 18.6 min; t_R(**20**) = 21.5 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 222 (M⁺, 68), 193 (11), 179 (100), 165 (29), 144 (18), 129 (14), 115 (18), 91 (18), 77 (8), 51 (8); **IR** (ν [cm⁻¹]) = 3059w, 3022m, 2955m, 2925s, 2870s, 2837w, 1599w, 1492s, 1452s, 1448s, 1433w, 1376w, 767m, 751m, 737s, 703vs; **TLC** (SiO₂, hexanes:ethyl acetate 50:1) R_f = 0.51.

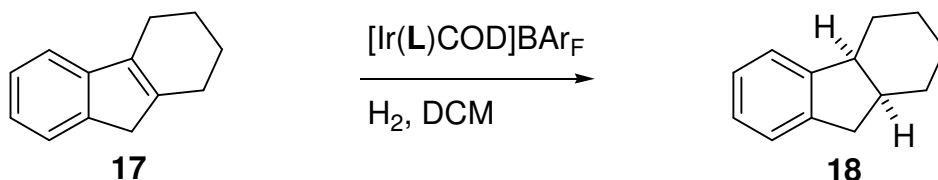


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1,2,3,4,9-pentahydro-4H-fluorene

Elemental Analysis for $C_{13}H_{14}$ (170.25) calc.: C, 91.71; H, 8.29; found: C, 91.76; H, 8.43; **M.P.**: 42-43 °C; **1H -NMR** (400.1 MHz, $CDCl_3$, 300K): δ = 1.79 (m, 4H, CH_2), 2.42 (m, 4H, CH_2), 3.23 (m, 2H, $C_{Ar}CH_2$), 7.11 (dt, 1H, $J_{HH} = 1.3$ Hz, $J_{HH} = 7.3$ Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.19 (ddd, 1H, $J_{HH} = 0.7$ Hz, $J_{HH} = 1.1$ Hz, $J_{HH} = 7.4$ Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.24 (tdt, 1H, $J_{HH} = 0.5$ Hz, $J_{HH} = 1.0$ Hz, $J_{HH} = 7.1$ Hz, H_{Ar}), 7.37 (m, 1H, H_{Ar}); **$^{13}C\{^1H\}$ -NMR** (100.6 MHz, $CDCl_3$, 300 K): δ = 22.2 (CH_2), 22.6 (CH_2), 23.2 (CH_2), 25.9 (CH_2), 40.7 ($C_{Ar}CH_2$), 117.4 (HC_{Ar}), 123.3 (HC_{Ar}), 123.6 (HC_{Ar}), 126.0 (HC_{Ar}), 135.8 ($C_{Ar}C=C$), 141.4 ($C_{Ar}C=C$), 142.7 (C_{Ar}), 146.2 (C_{Ar}); **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DETButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 25 m, 60 kPa H_2 , 100 °C, 0 min, 4 K/min, 140 °C, 0 min, 10 K/min, 180 °C, 4 min): t_R = 15.2; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 170 (M^+ , 75), 155 (10), 141 (100), 128 (26), 115 (31), 102 (4), 89 (5), 76 (6), 63 (10), 51 (7), 41 (5); **IR** ($\nu[cm^{-1}]$) = 3065w, 3040w, 2925m, 2854m, 2830m, 1630m, 1605w, 1466m, 1456m, 1437m, 1386m, 1277m, 1358w, 1334w, 1320w, 1277m, 1253w, 1235w, 1221w, 1189w, 1175w, 1148w, 1132w, 1110w, 1093w, 1061w, 1018m, 987w, 951w, 936w, 919w, 976w, 860w, 850w, 815w, 752s, 716s, 658m; **TLC** (SiO_2 , hexanes) R_f = 0.28.

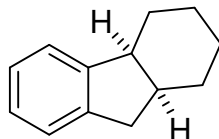
Hydrogenation Results



Ligand L	p(H_2) [bar]	Time [h]	mol% Cat.	Conv. [%]	ee [%]	opt. Rotation
(S)-1a	50	4	2	>99	94	(+)
	50	4	1	>99	93	(+)
	50	4	0.5	>99	93	(+)
	50	4	0.1	>99	90	(+)
	5	8	2	>99	94	(+)
(S)-1b	50	4	2	>99	27	(+)
(S)-4a	50	4	2	97	47	(+)
(S)-4b	50	4	2	41	54	(+)
(S)-4c	50	4	2	86	23	(+)
(S)-4d	50	4	2	>99	80	(+)
(S)-4e	50	4	2	>99	86	(+)
(S)-4f	50	4	2	72	7	(+)
(S)-4g	50	4	2	36	30	(+)
(S)-4h	50	4	2	81	0	(+)
(S)-4i	50	4	2	92	5	(+)
(S)-4j	50	4	2	98	5	(+)

(S)-4k	50	4	2	>99	90	(+)
(S)-4m	50	4	2	39	55	(+)
(R)-4n	50	4	2	84	79	(-)
(S)-4p	50	4	2	>99	93	(+)
	5	8	2	>99	96	(+)
(S)-4q	50	4	2	>99	91	(+)

Analytical Data for the hydrogenation product of **17** obtained by reduction using [Ir(**4p**)COD]BAr_F at 50 bar.



cis-1,2,3,4,4a,9,9a-heptahydro-4aH-fluorene

Elemental Analysis for C₁₃H₁₆ (172.27) calc.: C, 90.64; H, 9.36; found: C, 90.63; H, 9.49; [α]_D²⁰ = +27.6 (c = 1.08, CHCl₃, 93% ee); **¹H-NMR** (400.1 MHz, CDCl₃, 300K): δ = 1.26 (m_c, 2H), 1.32 (m_c, 1H), 1.43 (m_c, 2H), 1.57 (m_c, 1H), 1.77 (m_c, 1H), 1.86 (m_c, 1H), 2.44 (m_c, 1H), 2.58 (dd, 1H, J_{HH} = 4.5 Hz, J_{HH} = 15.1 Hz), 2.85 (dd, 1H, J_{HH} = 6.7 Hz, J_{HH} = 15.1 Hz), 3.09 (q, 1H, J_{HH} = 5.8 Hz), 7.12–7.16 (m, 3H_{Ar}), 7.22 (m_c, 1H_{Ar}); **¹³C{¹H}-NMR** (100.6 MHz, CDCl₃, 300 K): δ = 22.5 (CH₂), 23.8 (CH₂), 27.1 (CH₂), 27.9 (CH₂), 37.9 (C_{Ar}CH₂), 39.8 (C_{Ar}CHCH), 43.9 (C_{Ar}CH), 122.9 (HC_{Ar}), 125.2 (HC_{Ar}), 125.8 (HC_{Ar}), 125.9 (HC_{Ar}), 143.9 (C_{Ar}CH₂), 147.0 (C_{Ar}CH); **GC** (chiral, β -Cyclodextrin, DEtTButSil (Brechtbühler, SE54), 0.25 mm, 0.25 μ m, 25 m, 60 kPa H₂, 100 °C, 0 min, 4 K/min, 140 °C, 0 min, 10 K/min, 180 °C, 4 min): t_{R(-)} = 11.4 min, t_{R(+)} = 11.6 min; **MS** (EI): m/z (%) = 172 (M⁺, 59), 157 (2), 143 (12), 129 (100), 115 (38), 104 (5), 91 (11), 77 (7), 63 (7), 51 (7), 41 (8); **IR** (ν [cm⁻¹]) = 3067w, 3042w, 3016w, 2920vs, 2850m, 2365w, 2360w, 1473m, 1458m, 1447m, 764w, 747w, 733m, 682w; **TLC** (SiO₂, hexanes) R_f = 0.38.

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