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Supporting Information

Diastereoselective dearomative bifunctionalization of isoquinolinium salts to access bridged tetrahydroisoquinolines

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1. General methods

NMR spectra were recorded with tetramethylsilane as the internal standard. ¹H NMR chemical shifts (δ) are reported in ppm relative to tetramethylsilane (TMS) with the solvent signal as the internal standard (CDCl₃ at 7.26 ppm, (CD₃)₂SO at 2.50 ppm). ¹³C NMR chemical shifts are reported in ppm from tetramethylsilane (TMS) with the solvent resonance as the internal standard (CDCl₃ at 77.00 ppm, (CD₃)₂SO at 39.52 ppm). Data are given as: s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), dd (double of doublet), br (broad) or m (multiplets), coupling constants (Hz) and integration. Flash column chromatography was carried out using silica gel eluting with ethyl acetate and petroleum ether. High resolution mass spectra were obtained with the Q-TOF-Premier mass spectrometer. Reactions were monitored by TLC and visualized with ultraviolet light. IR spectra were recorded on a Thermo Fisher Nicolet Avatar 360 FTIR spectrometer on a KBr beam splitter. All the solvents were used directly without any purification.

2. Experimental data for the formation of 4



General procedure: To a solution of *N*-benzyl isoquinolinium salts 1 (0.22 mmol, 1.1 equiv), allenes 2 (0.20 mmol) in 1.0 mL of CH₃CN were successively added primary amines 3 (0.40 mmol) and DIPEA (33.7 μ L, 0.20 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 12 h. Then, the reaction mixture was directly subjected to flash column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate) to afford the corresponding products **4a-w**.



(11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8-

yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (4a)

White solid obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 54.3 mg, 48% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; mp 88.3-90.0 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.79 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.50-7.41 (m, 6H), 7.37-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.11 (m, 10H), 7.07-7.05 (m, 2H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.29-

4.17 (m, 2H), 4.00 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.59 (s, 2H), 3.21-3.18 (m, 1H), 2.82 (dd, $J_1 = 16.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.67 (dd, $J_1 = 16.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.26 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.03 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9, 140.0, 138.6 (d, J = 40.0 Hz, 1C), 133.9 (d, J = 51.0 Hz, 1C), 132.9 (d, J = 51.0 Hz, 1C), 132.8, 132.1 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.9 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.5 (t, J = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 129.6, 128.7, 128.4, 128.3 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 128.2 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 128.1, 126.9, 126.7, 126.4, 125.9, 85.8 (d, J = 103.0 Hz, 1C), 56.6, 54.1, 51.2 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 46.0, 33.2, 31.2 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 36.33. IR (KBr) v 3057, 1588, 1410, 733 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₈H₃₆N₂OP [M+H]⁺: 567.2565, found: 567.2567.



(11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-1-nitro-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**4b**)

White solid obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 82.0 mg, 67% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; mp 126.7-128.3 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.83 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (dd, *J*₁ = 12.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.45-7.35 (m, 6H), 7.24-7.13 (m, 10H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (s, 1H), 4.27-4.16 (m, 2H), 4.06 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (s, 2H), 3.24 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.87-2.77 (m, 2H), 2.21 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.3, 149.8, 141.7, 139.9, 137.7, 133.3 (d, *J* = 44.0 Hz, 1C), 132.3 (d, *J* = 44.0 Hz, 1C), 132.0, 131.8 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.5 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 128.3, 127.0 (d, *J* = 36.0 Hz, 1C), 126.4, 126.3, 123.4, 85.7 (d, *J* = 102.0 Hz, 1C), 56.4, 54.2, 50.4 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 46.0, 31.2, 30.9 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 36.16. IR (KBr) v 3060, 2915, 1577, 1524, 742 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₈H₃₅N₃O₃P [M+H]⁺: 612.2416, found: 612.2414.



11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-8-(diphenylphosphoryl)-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9epiminobenzo[8]annulene-1-carbonitrile (**4c**)

White solid obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 86.3 mg, 73% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; mp 74.3-75.5 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.98 (s, 1H), 7.75 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.54-7.42 (m, 10H), 7.26-7.06 (m, 11H), 4.23 (s, 2H), 4.00 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (s, 2H), 3.30 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.83 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.63 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.22 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.4, 140.2, 139.8, 137.7, 137.3, 133.4, 132.4, 132.0 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 131.8 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.7 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.3, 128.6 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1C), 128.5 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1C), 128.4 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1C), 128.3, 127.2, 126.8, 126.3, 117.1, 113.3, 86.0 (d, *J* = 103.0 Hz, 1C), 56.6, 53.8, 50.6 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 46.0, 31.9, 31.0 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 35.74. IR (KBr) v 3059, 2924, 1596, 1148, 1116, 736 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₉H₃₅N₃OP [M+H]⁺: 592.2518, found: 592.2520.



(11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-1-bromo-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**4d**)

Yellow oil obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 90.5 mg, 70% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.84 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (dd, *J*₁ = 12.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.38 (m, 9H), 7.23-7.19 (m, 8H), 7.08-7.06 (m, 2H), 7.00 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.29-4.17 (m, 2H), 3.98 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (s, 2H), 3.27 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.26 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.16 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.5 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 141.2, 139.9, 138.1, 133.6 (d, *J* = 22.0 Hz, 1C), 132.8, 132.7 (d, *J* = 22.0 Hz, 1C), 131.9 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.8 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.5 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 130.7, 128.6, 128.4 (d, *J* = 104.0 Hz, 1C), 56.4, 54.2, 51.2 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1C), 45.9, 34.0, 31.5 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 36.15. IR (KBr) v 3266, 3058, 2916, 1490, 1108, 733 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₈H₃₅N₂OBrP [M+H]⁺: 645.1670, found: 645.1672.



(11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-1-iodo-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8-

yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (4e)

Yellow oil obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 109.1 mg, 79% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 7.52-7.42 (m, 8H), 7.22-7.19 (m, 8H), 7.07-7.05 (m, 2H), 6.91 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.28-4.17 (m, 2H), 3.94 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.57 (s, 2H), 3.25 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.84 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.36 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.27 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.02 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.6, 141.0, 139.9, 138.1, 137.4, 135.8, 133.6 (d, *J* = 13.0 Hz, 1C), 132.6 (d, *J* = 13.0 Hz, 1C), 131.9 (dd, *J*₁ = 11.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 131.5 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 128.7 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1C), 128.6, 128.3 (d, *J* = 24.0 Hz, 1C), 128.3, 127.7, 127.0 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1C), 126.7, 126.3, 103.4, 86.3 (d, *J* = 104.0 Hz, 1C), 56.4, 54.4, 51.7 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 45.9, 39.2, 31.6 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 36.00. IR (KBr) v 3057, 2922, 1597, 1442, 1145, 732 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₈H₃₅N₂OIP [M+H]⁺: 693.1532, found: 693.1534.



(11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-1-methoxy-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**4f**)

Yellow oil obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 52.8 mg, 44% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78-7.70 (m, 3H), 7.50-7.44 (m, 6H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.19-7.07 (m, 11H), 6.71 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.57 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.28-4.17 (m, 2H), 3.98 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.57 (s, 2H), 3.21 (t, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.80 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.34-2.27 (m, 2H), 2.21 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.4, 156.8 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 140.0, 139.8, 138.4, 133.9 (d, *J* = 57.0 Hz, 1C), 132.9 (d, *J* = 58.0 Hz, 1C), 131.9 (dd, *J*₁ = 14.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.3 (dd, *J*₁ = 7.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 128.5 (d, *J* = 29.0 Hz, 1C), 128.3, 128.1 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 128.0, 126.7 (d, *J* = 20.0 Hz, 1C), 126.4, 126.3, 121.5, 119.1, 107.6, 86.2 (d, *J* = 103.0 Hz, 1C), 56.5, 55.0, 53.9, 50.8 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1C), 45.9, 31.3 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1C), 27.4; ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 36.64. IR (KBr) v 3282, 2923, 1594, 1465, 1086, 733 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₉H₃₈N₂O₂P [M+H]⁺:

597.2671, found: 597.2672.



(11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-2-chloro-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8-

yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (4g)

Yellow oil obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 52.1 mg, 43% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.84 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (dd, *J*₁ = 12.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H, 2H), 7.54-7.37 (m, 8H), 7.22-7.16 (m, 8H), 7.10-7.04 (m, 3H), 6.88 (s, 1H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.28-4.16 (m, 2H), 3.96 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (s, 2H), 3.21 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.20 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.7 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 139.9, 138.1, 137.2, 135.0, 133.8 (d, *J* = 40.0 Hz, 1C), 132.8 (d, *J* = 40.0 Hz, 1C), 132.0 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.8 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.5 (dd, *J*₁ = 12.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 129.3, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3 (dd, *J*₁ = 11.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 128.2, 127.0, 126.7, 126.3, 126.1, 85.8 (d, *J* = 103.0 Hz, 1C), 56.6, 53.6, 50.8 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 46.0, 33.1, 31.2 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 35.93. IR (KBr) v 3058, 2923, 1596, 1146, 1106, 732 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₈H₃₅N₂OPCI [M+H]⁺: 601.2176, found: 601.2171.



(11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-2-bromo-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**4h**)

White solid obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 59.4 mg, 46% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; mp 168.6-169.2 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.39 (m, 8H), 7.24-7.17 (m, 9H), 7.03 (s, 3H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.23-4.16 (m, 2H), 3.94 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.57 (s, 2H), 3.19 (s, 1H), 2.80 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.20 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.94 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.7, 139.9, 137.9 (d, *J* = 40.0 Hz, 1C), 135.5, 133.8 (d, *J* = 40.0 Hz, 1C), 132.8 (d, *J* = 40.0 Hz, 1C), 132.3, 132.0 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C),

131.9 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.6 (dd, $J_I = 14.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 2.0$ Hz, 1C), 129.1, 128.6, 128.6, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 126.9 (d, J = 27.0 Hz, 1C), 126.4, 120.0, 85.8 (d, J = 103.0 Hz, 1C), 56.6, 53.7, 50.9 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 46.0, 33.0, 31.2 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 35.92. IR (KBr) v 3273, 2920, 1590, 1392, 1087, 728 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₈H₃₅N₂OPBr [M+H]⁺: 645.1670, found: 645.1669.



(11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-2-isopropyl-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**4i**)

White solid obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 29.2 mg, 24% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; mp 180.5-181.1 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.66-7.60 (m, 3H), 7.44-7.32 (m, 6H), 7.28-7.24 (m, 2H), 7.14-7.10 (m, 8H), 6.99-6.97 (m, 2H), 6.91 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (s, 1H), 4.21-4.09 (m, 2H), 3.89 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.50 (s, 2H), 3.07 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.83-2.76 (m, 1H), 2.71 (dd, $J_I = 16.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.88 (dd, $J_I = 16.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.16 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.98 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.20 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.0 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 147.2, 140.1, 138.5, 136.4, 133.9 (d, J = 61.0 Hz, 1C), 132.8 (d, J = 61.0 Hz, 1C), 132.5, 132.1 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.5 (dd, $J_I = 5.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 3.0$ Hz, 1C), 128.5 (d, J = 32.0 Hz, 1C), 126.4, 124.2, 85.8 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 56.6, 53.8, 51.4 (d, J = 14.0 Hz, 1C), 45.9, 33.9, 33.7, 30.9 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1C), 24.1 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 36.62. IR (KBr) v 2958, 1589, 1153, 1108, 732 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₄₁H₄₂N₂OP [M+H]⁺: 609.3035, found: 609.3028.



(11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-2-methyl-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**4j**)

Yellow oil obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 33.9 mg, 29%

yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.76-7.69 (m, 3H), 7.50-7.35 (m, 8H), 7.19 (s, 8H), 7.06 (s, 2H), 6.95 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.70 (s, 1H), 4.27-4.16 (m, 2H), 3.96 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (s, 2H), 3.19 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (dd, *J*_{*I*} = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (dd, *J*_{*I*} = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (s, 3H), 2.24 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.94 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.0, 140.0, 138.5, 136.1, 135.7, 134.0 (d, *J* = 35.0 Hz, 1C), 133.0 (d, *J* = 36.0 Hz, 1C), 132.6, 132.1 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.8 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.4 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 130.0, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2 (dd, *J*_{*I*} = 12.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1C), 128.1, 126.8 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1C), 126.7, 126.4, 86.0 (d, *J* = 103.0 Hz, 1C), 56.7, 53.8, 51.2 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 46.0, 32.9, 31.5 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1C), 21.1; ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 36.15. IR (KBr) v 3056, 2925, 1588, 1406, 1153, 733 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₉H₃₈N₂OP [M+H]⁺: 581.2722, found: 587.2723.



(1-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-2-methoxy-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**4**k)

White solid obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 25.4 mg, 21% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; mp 154.8-155.4 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (dd, *J₁* = 16.0 Hz, *J₂* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.52-7.47 (m, 4H), 7.44-7.41 (m, 2H), 7.38-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.19-7.18 (m, 8H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (s, 1H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.71 (dd, *J₁* = 8.0 Hz, *J₂* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.28-4.17 (m, 2H), 3.95 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.58 (s, 2H), 3.17 (dd, *J₁* = 8.0 Hz, *J₂* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (dd, *J₁* = 16.0 Hz, *J₂* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.22 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.99 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.3, 157.0, 140.0, 138.5, 134.1, 134.0 (d, *J* = 50.0 Hz, 1C), 132.1 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.8 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.5 131.4 (m, 1C), 131.1, 128.5 (d, *J* = 27.0 Hz, 1C), 128.2 (dd, *J₁* = 12.0 Hz, *J₂* = 4.0 Hz, 1C), 128.1, 127.9, 126.8 (d, *J* = 21.0 Hz, 1C), 126.4, 113.8, 112.6, 85.8 (d, *J* = 102.0 Hz, 1C), 56.7, 55.3, 53.5, 51.0 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 46.0, 33.6, 31.4 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 36.21. IR (KBr) v 3053, 2939, 2897, 1597, 1148, 743 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₉H₃₈N₂O₂P [M+H]⁺: 597.2671, found: 597.2672.



(11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-3-chloro-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**4**I)

Yellow oil obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 65.1 mg, 54% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.81 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.54-7.41 (m, 6H), 7.38-7.34 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.13 (m, 9H), 7.07-7.05 (m, 2H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.24-4.22 (m, 2H), 3.94 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.57 (s, 2H), 3.21 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.96 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.6 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1C), 140.1 (d, *J* = 72.0 Hz, 1C), 138.1, 133.8 (d, *J* = 51.0 Hz, 1C), 132.8 (d, *J* = 53.0 Hz, 1C), 132.0 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.8 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.5 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 131.3 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1C), 128.6, 128.4, 128.3 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 128.2 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 126.8, (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1C), 126.8, 126.4, 85.9 (d, *J* = 103.0 Hz, 1C), 56.6, 53.9, 51.0 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1C), 46.0, 32.4, 31.3 (d, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 35.98. IR (KBr) v 3436, 1638, 732, 698 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₈H₃₅N₂OClP [M+H]⁺: 601.2176, found: 601.2177.



(11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-3-bromo-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**4m**)

Yellow oil obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 55.5 mg, 43% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.80 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.43 (m, 6H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.20-7.17 (m, 8H), 7.05 (s, 3H), 6.75 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.28-4.18 (m, 2H), 3.94 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.56 (s, 2H), 3.21 (t, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.80 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.56 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.94 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.6

(d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 140.9, 139.8, 138.1, 133.8 (d, J = 51.0 Hz, 1C), 132.8 (d, J = 52.0 Hz, 1C), 131.9 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.8 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.5 (t, J = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 131.3, 129.7 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 128.6, 128.4, 128.3 (dd, $J_I = 11.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 3.0$ Hz, 1C), 128.2, 127.0, 126.8, 126.4, 119.3, 85.9 (d, J = 102.0 Hz, 1C), 56.6, 53.8, 51.0 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 46.0, 32.5, 31.3 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 35.95. IR (KBr) v 3057, 2922, 1596, 1146, 1108, 732 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₈H₃₅N₂OPBr [M+H]⁺: 645.1670, found: 645.1670.



(11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-3-methoxy-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**4n**)

Yellow oil obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 25.6 mg, 22% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.77 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.52-7.40 (m, 6H), 7.38-7.33 (m, 2H), 7.19-7.18 (m, 8H), 7.07-7.05 (m, 2H), 6.81-6.75 (m, 2H), 6.42 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.29-4.17 (m, 2H), 3.93 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 3.58 (s, 2H), 3.17 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.26 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.96 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.8, 156.9, 139.9 (d, *J* = 31.0 Hz, 1C), 138.5, 134.3 (d, *J* = 59.0 Hz, 1C), 133.0 (d, *J* = 60.0 Hz, 1C), 132.1 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.9 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.4 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 130.5, 128.5 (d, *J* = 31.0 Hz, 1C), 128.3 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 128.2 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 128.1, 126.8 (d, *J* = 23.0 Hz, 1C), 126.4, 124.7, 113.3, 111.5, 85.9 (d, *J* = 103.0 Hz, 1C), 56.7, 55.2, 54.3, 51.5 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 46.0, 32.2, 31.4 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 36.50. IR (KBr) v 3336, 2974, 2925, 1089, 1049, 882 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₉H₃₈N₂O₂P [M+H]⁺: 597.2671, found: 597.2668.



(11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-4-chloro-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**40**)

Yellow oil obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 76.4 mg, 64%

yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.83 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73-7.68 (m, 2H), 7.53-7.40 (m, 6H), 7.37-7.33 (m, 2H), 7.22-7.17 (m, 9H), 7.13-7.08 (m, 3H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.34 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.65-3.57 (m, 2H), 3.21 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.61 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.49 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.99 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.3 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 139.8, 138.1, 135.6 (d, *J* = 37.0 Hz, 1C), 133.9 (d, *J* = 48.0 Hz, 1C), 132.9 (d, *J* = 48.0 Hz, 1C), 132.2, 132.0 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.8 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.4 (t, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 128.6, 128.3, 128.2 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 128.2 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1C), 128.1, 127.4, 126.9 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1C), 126.7, 126.4, 85.5 (d, *J* = 104.0 Hz, 1C), 56.6, 52.2, 50.2 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 46.0, 33.0, 28.7 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 35.80. IR (KBr) v 3059, 2925, 1597, 1442, 731, 698 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₈H₃₅N₂OCIP [M+H]⁺: 601.2176, found: 601.2178.



(11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-4-bromo-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**4p**)

Yellow oil obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 67.6 mg, 52% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (dd, *J*₁ = 12.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.51-7.34 (m, 9H), 7.20 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 8H), 7.10-7.02 (m, 3H), 6.83 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.30 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 2H), 3.64-3.56 (m, 2H), 3.20 (dd, *J*₁ = 8.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.79 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.62 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.53 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.97 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.2 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 139.7, 138.0, 137.2, 135.8, 133.8 (d, *J* = 50.0 Hz, 1C), 132.8 (d, *J* = 50.0 Hz, 1C), 132.0 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.8 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.4 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 130.3, 128.7 (d, *J* = 19.0 Hz, 1C), 128.3, 128.2 (dd, *J*₁ = 12.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1C), 128.1, 127.9, 126.8 (d, *J* = 28.0 Hz, 1C), 126.4, 123.0, 85.4 (d, *J* = 104.0 Hz, 1C), 56.6, 54.5, 50.2 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 46.0, 33.2, 28.9 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 35.74. IR (KBr) v 3274, 3058, 2926, 1490, 1441, 1147, 731 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₈H₃₅N₂OBrP [M+H]⁺: 645.1670, found: 645.1667.



11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-8-(diphenylphosphoryl)-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-

epiminobenzo[8]annulene-4-carbonitrile (4q)

White solid obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 72.5 mg, 61% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; mp 153.3-154.5 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.82 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (dd, *J*₁ = 12.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (q, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.46-7.40 (m, 5H), 7.35-7.33 (m, 2H), 7.24-7.15 (m, 9H), 7.09-7.05 (m, 3H), 4.37 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.24 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.66-3.57 (m, 2H), 3.23 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.97 (dd, *J*₁ = 12.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.58 (dd, *J*₁ = 12.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 2.45 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.5 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 142.1, 139.5, 137.7, 134.9, 134.4, 133.7 (d, *J* = 41.0 Hz, 1C), 132.7 (d, *J* = 42.0 Hz, 1C), 131.9 (d, *J* = 40.0 Hz, 1C), 131.7 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.6, 130.7, 128.5 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1C), 128.3 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1C), 128.2, 127.2, 126.8 (d, *J* = 19.0 Hz, 1C), 126.5, 117.4, 110.3, 85.7 (d, *J* = 103.0 Hz, 1C), 56.6, 53.5, 49.8 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 46.1, 32.8, 30.0 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 35.08. IR (KBr) v 3279, 1592, 1429, 1108, 735 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₉H₃₅N₃OP [M+H]⁺: 592.2518, found: 592.2521.



11-Benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-8-(diphenylphosphoryl)-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9epiminobenzo[8]annulene-10-carbonitrile (**4r**)

White solid obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 75.4 mg, 64% yield, 8:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; mp 167.1-167.9 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.76-7.68 (m, 4H), 7.54-7.37 (m, 7H), 7.34-7.30 (m, 7H), 7.25-7.23 (m, 2H), 7.10-7.03 (m, 3H), 6.87 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 5.15 (dd, $J_I = 8.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.96 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 4.42 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.38 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.99 (dd, $J_I = 12.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 4.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.87 (dd, $J_I = 12.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.67 (s, 1H), 3.36 (dd, $J_I = 12.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.60 (dd, $J_I = 12.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.0$ Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.2 (d, J = 11.0 Hz, 1C), 146.2, 137.5, 136.5, 136.2, 131.0, 131.0 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 130.8 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 130.6 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1C),

128.8, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1C), 128.3 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 127.9, 127.8 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1C), 126.1 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 125.9, 121.2, 119.7, 80.4, 79.5, 79.2, 60.4, 57.4, 48.3, 37.7 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 24.35. IR (KBr) v 3029, 2197, 1605, 1563, 1151, 748 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₉H₃₄N₃OPNa [M+Na]⁺: 614.2337, found: 614.2332.



(11-Benzyl-7-(prop-2-yn-1-ylamino)-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (**4s**)

Yellow oil obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 15.9 mg, 15% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.70 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.55-7.17 (m, 16H), 7.07 (s, 1H), 6.84 (s, 1H), 4.12 (s, 1H), 3.73-3.67 (m, 4H), 3.14 (d, *J* = 20.0 Hz, 2H), 2.64 (d, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1H), 2.40 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 2.11 (s, 1H), 1.97 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.3, 138.8, 138.4, 134.0, 132.7, 132.1 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.9 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.5 (t, *J* = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 129.6, 128.7, 128.3 (d, *J* = 11.0 Hz, 1C), 128.1, 126.9 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1C), 126.7, 125.9, 88.4 (d, *J* = 103.0 Hz, 1C), 81.0, 71.3, 56.7, 54.2, 51.1 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 32.9, 31.9, 31.1 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1C); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 36.62. IR (KBr) v 3056, 2924, 2855, 1732, 1597, 1119, 733 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₄H₃₂N₂OP [M+H]⁺: 515.2252, found: 515.2255.



(11-Benzyl-7-(pentylamino)-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8-

yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (4t)

Yellow oil obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 26.6 mg, 24% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.49-7.38 (m, 6H), 7.35-7.31 (m, 2H), 7.27-7.21 (m, 5H), 7.19-7.14 (m, 2H), 7.09-7.03 (m, 2H), 6.87 (t, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.72-3.64 (m, 2H), 3.21-3.18 (m, 1H), 2.95 (q, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 2.64 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.29 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.37-1.28 (m, 2H), 1.21-1.08 (m, 4H), 0.77 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C

NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.3 (d, J = 3.0 Hz, 1C), 138.8 (d, J = 32.0 Hz, 1C), 134.1 (d, J = 52.0 Hz, 1C), 133.1 (d, J = 52.0 Hz, 1C), 133.0, 132.0 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.8 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.3, 129.7, 128.7, 128.2 (dd, J_I = 11.0 Hz, J_2 = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 128.1, 126.9 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 126.7, 125.9, 83.9 (d, J = 105.0 Hz, 1C), 56.7, 54.3, 51.0 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 42.4, 33.0, 31.8 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1C), 30.1, 28.9, 22.3, 13.9; ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 36.14. IR (KBr) v 3057, 2928, 1428, 1116, 733 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₆H₄₀N₂OP [M+H]⁺: 547.2878, found: 547.2881.



(11-Benzyl-7-(octylamino)-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-8-

yl)diphenylphosphine oxide (4u)

Yellow oil obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1); 41.6 mg, 35% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.78-7.65 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.32 (m, 8H), 7.25-7.15 (m, 7H), 7.05-6.98 (m, 2H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 4.09 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 3.72-3.58 (m, 2H), 3.21-3.18 (m, 1H), 2.94 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 2.64 (dd, *J*₁ = 16.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 2.29 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.99 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 1.34-1.28 (m, 8H), 0.87-0.84 (m, 7H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.9, 138.8 (d, *J* = 32.0 Hz, 1C), 134.1 (d, *J* = 53.0 Hz, 1C), 133.1 (d, *J* = 54.0 Hz, 1C), 133.0, 132.0 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.7 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1C), 131.3, 129.7, 128.6, 128.1 (dd, *J*₁ = 12.0 Hz, *J*₂ = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 128.1, 126.8 (d, *J* = 2.0 Hz, 1C), 126.7, 125.9, 83.9 (d, *J* = 105.0 Hz, 1C), 56.7, 54.3, 51.0 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1C), 42.4, 33.0, 31.8 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1C), 31.7, 30.4, 29.7, 29.1 (d, *J* = 14.0 Hz, 1C), 26.7, 22.6, 14.1; ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 36.14. IR (KBr) v 3057, 2926, 1599, 1118, 733 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₉H₄₆N₂OP [M+H]⁺: 589.3348, found: 589.3353.

Ethyl 11-benzyl-7-(benzylamino)-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulene-8carboxylate (**4v**)

Yellow oil obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 25:1); 34.0 mg, 39% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 16 h; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.19 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H),

7.29 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 3H), 7.24-7.18 (m, 5H), 7.14-7.05 (m, 5H), 6.85 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 4.25 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 2H), 4.17-4.08 (m, 3H), 3.89 (d, J = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.65 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.22 (dd, $J_I = 15.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.79 (dd, $J_I = 15.0$ Hz, $J_2 = 5.0$ Hz, 1H), 2.74 (d, J = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 2.25 (d, J = 20.0 Hz, 1H), 1.25 (t, J = 10.0 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 169.4, 156.8, 138.8, 138.7, 137.7, 134.0, 129.7, 128.7, 128.6, 128.2, 127.1, 127.0, 126.9, 126.6, 126.6, 125.7, 92.3, 58.7, 56.7, 52.9, 50.9, 45.9, 32.4, 31.9, 14.6. IR (KBr) v 2927, 1648, 1595, 1225, 1070, 792 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₉H₃₁N₂O₂ [M+H]⁺: 439.2386, found: 439.2387.



N,11-dibenzyl-8-((4-methoxyphenyl)sulfonyl)-5,6,9,10-tetrahydro-5,9-epiminobenzo[8]annulen-7-amine (**4**w)

White solid obtained by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 10:1); 26.1 mg, 24% yield, >20:1 dr; reaction time = 12 h; mp 142.9-143.8 °C; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.72-7.67 (m, 3H), 7.27 (t, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 3H), 7.19-7.15 (m, 4H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 4H), 7.03 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 3H), 4.27 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 2H), 3.96 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.88 (s, 3H), 3.75 (d, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 1H), 3.49 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.34 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.22 (dd, *J_l* = 15.0 Hz, 1H), 3.07 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 2.76 (dd, *J_l* = 15.0 Hz, 1Z, 1H), 2.25 (d, *J* = 15.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.6, 151.3, 138.6, 138.2, 138.0, 135.1, 133.3, 129.8, 128.7, 128.4, 128.1, 127.3, 127.0, 126.9, 126.5, 126.4, 125.7, 113.9, 98.1, 56.3, 55.5, 54.5, 50.8, 46.1, 34.8, 30.6, one carbon missing in the aromatic region. IR (KBr) v 3349, 1595, 1259, 1123, 739 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₃₃H₃₃N₂O₃S [M+H]⁺: 537.2212, found: 537.2211.

3. Crystal structure of 4i

Preparation of the single crystals of **4i**: 20.0 mg of pure compound **4i** was dissolved in 2.0 mL of dichloromethane at room temperature. The bottle was sealed by a piece of plastic film with several tiny holes, thus allowing slow evaporation of the solvents at room temperature. After about one day, several small particles were observed at the bottom of the bottle. The crystals were chosen and subjected to the single crystal X-ray diffraction analysis for the determination of the structure of **4i**. The data were collected on a SuperNova, Dual, Cu at zero, AtlasS2 diffractometer. The crystal was kept at 294(2) K during data collection.



Table S1 Crystal data and structure refinement for 4i.

Identification code	4i	
Empirical formula	$C_{41}H_{41}N_2OP$	
Formula weight	608.73	
Temperature/K	294(2)	
Crystal system	triclinic	
Space group	P-1	
a/Å	11.0596(7)	
b/Å	11.2945(8)	
c/Å	15.3318(9)	
α/°	111.600(6)	
β/°	93.776(5)	
γ/°	104.186(6)	
Volume/Å ³	1700.3(2)	
Z	2	
$\rho_{calc}g/cm^3$	1.189	
µ/mm ⁻¹	0.970	
F(000)	648.0	
Crystal size/mm ³	$0.16 \times 0.14 \times 0.12$	
Radiation	Cu Ka ($\lambda = 1.54184$)	
2Θ range for data collection/° 6.296 to 148.436		
Index ranges	$-13 \le h \le 13, -13 \le k \le 14, -18 \le l \le 18$	
Reflections collected	11982	

Independent reflections $6613 \ [R_{int} = 0.0443, R_{sigma} = 0.0618]$ Data/restraints/parameters6613/0/413Goodness-of-fit on F²1.031

Final R indexes [I>= 2σ (I)] R₁ = 0.0655, wR₂ = 0.1714

Final R indexes [all data] $R_1 = 0.0858$, wR₂ = 0.1980

Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å⁻³ 0.40/-0.36

4. NMR spectra







¹H NMR spectrum of **4a** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



¹H NMR spectrum of **4b** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



³¹P NMR spectrum of **4a** (162 MHz, CDCl₃)



³¹P NMR spectrum of **4b** (162 MHz, CDCl₃)



¹³C NMR spectrum of **4b** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)



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¹H NMR spectrum of **4d** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)





¹³C NMR spectrum of **4d** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

³¹P NMR spectrum of **4d** (162 MHz, CDCl₃)





¹H NMR spectrum of **4e** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)







¹H NMR spectrum of **4f** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



³¹P NMR spectrum of **4e** (162 MHz, CDCl₃)



¹³C NMR spectrum of **4f** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

³¹P NMR spectrum of **4f** (162 MHz, CDCl₃)





¹H NMR spectrum of **4g** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)







¹H NMR spectrum of **4h** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



³¹P NMR spectrum of **4g** (162 MHz, CDCl₃)



¹³C NMR spectrum of **4h** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

³¹P NMR spectrum of **4h** (162 MHz, CDCl₃)





¹H NMR spectrum of **4i** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)







¹H NMR spectrum of **4j** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



³¹P NMR spectrum of **4i** (162 MHz, CDCl₃)



¹³C NMR spectrum of **4j** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

³¹P NMR spectrum of **4j** (162 MHz, CDCl₃)





¹H NMR spectrum of **4k** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)









³¹P NMR spectrum of **4k** (162 MHz, CDCl₃)



¹³C NMR spectrum of **4l** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

³¹P NMR spectrum of **4l** (162 MHz, CDCl₃)





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¹H NMR spectrum of **4n** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)





¹³C NMR spectrum of **4n** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)







¹H NMR spectrum of **40** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)







³¹P NMR spectrum of **40** (162 MHz, CDCl₃)

¹H NMR spectrum of **4p** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)





¹³C NMR spectrum of **4p** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

³¹P NMR spectrum of **4p** (162 MHz, CDCl₃)





¹H NMR spectrum of **4q** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



¹H NMR spectrum of **4r** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)



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¹³C NMR spectrum of **4r** (100 MHz, CDCl₃)







¹H NMR spectrum of **4s** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)







³¹P NMR spectrum of **4s** (162 MHz, CDCl₃)

¹H NMR spectrum of **4t** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)





¹³C NMR spectrum of 4t (100 MHz, CDCl₃)

¹H NMR spectrum of **4u** (400 MHz, CDCl₃)

¹H NMR spectrum of 4v (500 MHz, CDCl₃)

³¹P NMR spectrum of **4u** (162 MHz, CDCl₃)

¹³C NMR spectrum of **4v** (125 MHz, CDCl₃)

¹H NMR spectrum of **4w** (500 MHz, CDCl₃)

¹³C NMR spectrum of **4w** (125 MHz, CDCl₃)