

## Electronic Supplementary Information for

### **Mesogenic, Optical, and Dielectric Properties of 5-Substituted 2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-p-carboran-1-yl] [1,3]dioxanes**

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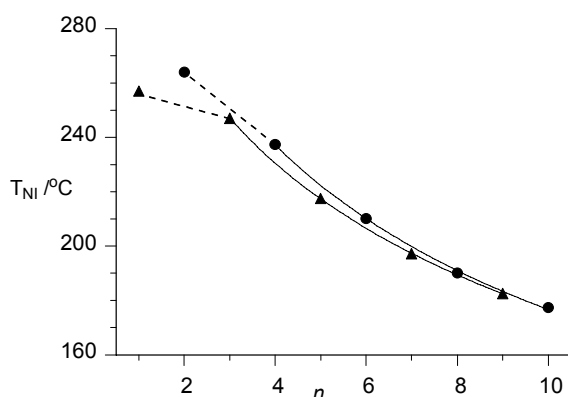
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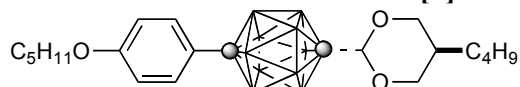
## 1. Numerical Analysis of $T_{NI}$ for series 2[n]



**Fig. S1** Nematic-isotropic transition temperatures  $T_{NI}$  for **2[n]** as a function of the chain length  $n$ . Best fit 2-parameter functions of type 1:  $T_{NI} = 86 + \exp(5.901 - 0.441 \cdot \sqrt{n})$  for odd  $n$  excluding **1[1]**, and  $T_{NI} = 86 + \exp(5.783 - 0.405 \cdot \sqrt{n})$  for even  $n$  excluding **1[2]**;  $r^2 > 0.999$ . Best fit 2-parameter functions of type 2:  $T_{NI} = 89 \cdot (19.26 + n) / (4.72 + n)$ ;  $r^2 > 0.999$ .

## 2. Optical Measurements and Order Parameter Calculations

**Table S1.** Refractive indices of **1[4]** measured at  $\lambda = 589$  nm as a function of temperature.



Temperature / °C	$n_e$	$n_o$	$\Delta n$	$n_{avg}$
71.5	1.5066	1.680	0.173	1.566
72.6	1.5059	1.678	0.172	1.565
74.8	1.5051	1.676	0.171	1.564
77.5	1.5046	1.674	0.170	1.563
80.1	1.5040	1.673	0.169	1.562
82.2	1.5033	1.671	0.168	1.561
85.0	1.5030	1.6705	0.168	1.561
86.0	1.5024	1.6700	0.1675	1.560

Orientational order parameter  $S$  was calculated from equation 1<sup>1</sup>

$$S = \frac{\alpha}{\Delta\alpha} \cdot \frac{n_e^2 - n_o^2}{n_{avg}^2 - 1} \quad \text{Eq 1}$$

or by using the Vuks model (Eq 2).<sup>2</sup>

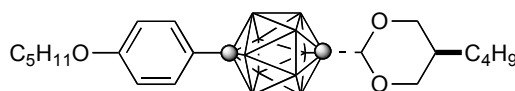
$$S = \frac{3\varepsilon_0 M_w}{\Delta\alpha N_A d} \cdot \frac{n_e^2 - n_o^2}{n_{avg}^2 + 2} \quad \text{Eq 2}$$

where  $n_{avg}^2 = (n_e^2 + 2n_o^2)/3$ ,  $M_w = 448.6$  g/mol,  $d$  is assumed to be  $1.0$  g/cm<sup>3</sup>, and  $\Delta\alpha$  is computed (*vide infra*).

### 3. Dielectric Data

Dielectric parameters in Table S2 for low concentration solutions of additives **1[4]** to 6-CHBT were obtained from by averaging 5 measurements of each solution in a single cell. Standard deviation of the resulting values  $\leq \pm 0.03$ . Dielectric permittivity values for the host were obtained by averaging results for 3 cells. All measurements were run at  $24$  °C. Error on concentration values  $\sim 1.5\%$

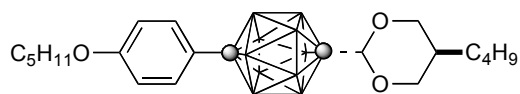
**Table S2.** Dielectric parameters for **1[4]** as a function of concentration. Average of 5 runs in a single cell.



parameter	Mole fraction			
	0.00 (host)	0.055	0.107	0.138
$V_{TH10}/V$	$1.55 \pm 0.02$	$1.56 \pm 0.01$	$1.57 \pm 0.01$	$1.62 \pm 0.01$
$\epsilon_{  }$	$12.0 \pm 0.2$	$11.65 \pm 0.03$	$11.14 \pm 0.03$	$10.99 \pm 0.05$
$\epsilon_{\perp}$	$4.0 \pm 0.1$	$4.04 \pm 0.01$	$4.01 \pm 0.01$	$3.99 \pm 0.03$
$\Delta\epsilon$	$8.0 \pm 0.15$	$7.60 \pm 0.03$	$7.12 \pm 0.03$	$7.00 \pm 0.03$

Dielectric parameters for **1[4]** were obtained from 3 cells and each was measured 3 times over the temperature range of  $75$ - $105$  °C. The resulting values were averaged and are shown in Table S3. Standard deviation of the resulting values is  $\leq \pm 0.1$ .

**Table S3.** Dielectric parameters for **1[4]** as a function of temperature. Average of 3 runs for 3 cells. Std for  $\epsilon_{||}$  and  $\epsilon_{\perp}$  is  $0.1$ , and for  $\Delta\epsilon$  is  $0.01$ .



Temperature °C	$\Delta\epsilon$	$\epsilon_{\perp}$	$\epsilon_{  }$
75	0.42	3.51	3.09
76	0.42	3.50	3.08
77	0.42	3.50	3.08
78	0.41	3.49	3.07
79	0.42	3.49	3.07
80	0.41	3.48	3.07
81	0.41	3.47	3.06
82	0.41	3.46	3.06
83	0.40	3.46	3.05
84	0.41	3.45	3.05
85	0.40	3.45	3.05
86	0.40	3.44	3.05
87	0.40	3.44	3.04
88	0.39	3.42	3.04
89	0.38	3.40	3.05
90	0.38	3.40	3.03
91	0.38	3.40	3.02
92	0.37	3.39	3.02
93	0.34	3.36	3.02
94	0.37	3.37	3.02
95	0.35	3.35	3.01
96	0.33	3.34	3.01
97	0.33	3.34	3.01
98	0.26	3.28	3.03
99	0.11	3.16	3.05
100	0.02	3.09	3.07
101	-0.01	3.06	3.07
102	-0.01	3.06	3.06
103	0.02	3.07	3.06
104	0.000	3.06	3.05
105	0.01	3.07	3.05
106	0.00	3.04	3.04
107	0.03	3.07	3.04
108	0.01	3.05	3.03
109	-0.01	3.02	3.03
110	0.01	3.06	3.03

#### 4. Details for Calculations in the Nematic Phase

The Equations derived from the Maier-Meier theory used in this work were adopted from literature<sup>3,4</sup> and had the following form:

$$\Delta\varepsilon = \frac{NFh}{\varepsilon_0} \left\{ \Delta\alpha - \frac{F\mu_{eff}^2}{2k_B T} (1 - 3\cos^2\beta) \right\} S$$

$$\varepsilon_{\parallel} = 1 + \frac{NFh}{\varepsilon_0} \left\{ \alpha + \frac{2}{3} \Delta\alpha S + \frac{F\mu_{eff}^2}{3k_B T} \left[ 1 - (1 - 3\cos^2\beta) S \right] \right\}$$

$$\varepsilon_{\perp} = 1 + \frac{NFh}{\varepsilon_0} \left\{ \alpha - \frac{1}{3} \Delta\alpha S + \frac{F\mu_{eff}^2}{3k_B T} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2} (1 - 3\cos^2\beta) S \right] \right\}$$

All quantities were in SI units.

• Reaction field factors  $F$  and  $h$  for the pure **1[4]** were calculated using the experimental average permittivity and refractive index. For calculations involving extrapolated dielectric parameters for **1[4]**, reaction field factors  $F$  and  $h$  were calculated for the pure host 6-CHBT using literature<sup>5</sup> values for  $n_{\perp} = 1.5212$  and  $n_{\parallel} = 1.6610$  and experimental average permittivity. Thus, reaction field parameters  $F$  and  $h$  were using the following equations:

$$F = \frac{(2\varepsilon_s + 1)(n^2 + 2)}{3(2\varepsilon_s + n^2)} \quad h = \frac{3\varepsilon_s}{(2\varepsilon_s + 1)}$$

The former is a Dunmur-Toriyama expression for  $F$ .<sup>6</sup>

	$\bar{\varphi}$ °C	$\varepsilon_{\text{avg}}$	$\tilde{n}_{\text{avg}}^2$	$F$	$h$
<b>1[4]</b>	85	3.18	2.44	1.237	1.296
6-CHBT	24	6.27	2.46	1.342	1.289

## 5. Quantum-mechanical computational details

Quantum-mechanical calculations were carried out using Gaussian 98<sup>7</sup> suite of programs. Geometry optimizations for unconstrained conformers of **1[4]** with alkyl chains in the most extended forms were undertaken at the HF/6-31G(d) and B3LYP/3-21G levels of theory using default convergence limits.

## 6. Dipole moment and polarizability computational results for **1[4]**

In all these calculations long molecular axes are oriented along the x axes.

Dipole Moments (D) at the HF/6-31G\* level of theory (full geometry optimization)

conformer A

Dipole moment (Debye):

X= -1.5463 Y= 1.5440 Z= -0.9778 Tot= 2.3940

conformer B

Dipole moment (Debye):

X= -1.7656 Y= -0.7244 Z= 0.2921 Tot= 1.9307

conformer C (syn)

Dipole moment (Debye):

X= -1.5956 Y= -0.8343 Z= 1.3418 Tot= 2.2455

conformer C (anti)

Dipole moment (Debye):

X= 1.5436 Y= 1.4551 Z= 0.6326 Tot= 2.2137

conformer D (syn)

Dipole moment (Debye):

X= -1.8197 Y= 1.0532 Z= 0.1678 Tot= 2.1092

conformer D (anti)

Dipole moment (Debye):

X= 1.7613 Y= -0.8804 Z= 0.6423 Tot= 2.0712

conformer E (syn)

Dipole moment (Debye):

X= -1.6915 Y= -1.1599 Z= 1.0725 Tot= 2.3145

conformer E (anti)

Dipole moment (Debye):

X= -1.5986 Y= -1.5259 Z= 0.4719 Tot= 2.2597

conformer F (syn)

Dipole moment (Debye):

X= -1.7397 Y= 0.9756 Z= 0.5976 Tot= 2.0822

conformer F (anti)

Dipole moment (Debye):

X= 1.6572 Y= -1.1476 Z= 0.2133 Tot= 2.0270

Electronic polarizabilities (au) at the B3LYP/3-21G level of theory (full geometry optimization) for selected conformers of **1[4]**

conformer A

Exact polarizability: 495.325 -3.203 264.271 -0.969 -13.939 247.030

conformer B

Exact polarizability: 490.525 -3.808 273.499 1.610 9.954 242.280

conformer C (anti)

Exact polarizability: 495.381 2.107 272.259 0.826 8.426 238.793

conformer D (syn)

Exact polarizability: 488.053 3.043 281.919 -2.343 1.224 235.836

conformer E (anti)

Exact polarizability: 492.909 1.313 276.318 -4.785 0.633 236.187

conformer F (syn)

Exact polarizability: 490.440 3.952 276.147 -4.038 10.508 239.047

## 7. Preparative Details

NMR spectra were obtained at the 270 MHz ( $^1\text{H}$ ) or 67.8 MHz ( $^{13}\text{C}$ ) in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  and referenced to TMS. Elemental analysis was provided by Instrumental Analysis Center for Chemistry, Graduate School of Science, Tohoku University or at Atlantic Microlab, GA. *p*-Carborane was purchased from Katchem s. r. o. (Prague, Czech Republic). Other chemicals were purchased from Aldrich or Tokyo Kasei Ltd.

***trans*-5-Alkyl-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]dioxanes (1[n]) and *trans*-5-Aryl-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]dioxanes 2[n] and 3[n].**  
**General procedure.** A solution of 12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carborane-1-carbaldehyde (**4**, 500 mg, 1.50 mmol), appropriate 2-alkyl-1,3-propanediol (**5[n]**, 2.0 equiv.) or 2-aryl-1,3-propanediol (**6[n]** or **7[n]**, 1.3 equiv.) and a catalytic amount of *p*-toluenesulfonic acid in toluene or xylene (5 mL) was refluxed for 18 hr using Dean-Stark water trap. The mixture was poured into saturated aqueous  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  and extracted with AcOEt. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried ( $\text{MgSO}_4$ ) and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (**5[n]**: *n*-hexane/benzene, 8:1; **6[n]** and **7[n]**: *n*-hexane/ $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$ , 15:1) and subsequently recrystallized to give colorless crystalline product.

***trans*-5-Methyl-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]dioxane (1[1]).**

Yield 36%, rods (*n*-hexane): mp 137-139 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ (ppm) 0.64 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3 H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.27-1.45 (m, 4 H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10 H), 1.73 (quint., *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2 H), 1.90-2.05 (m, 1 H), 3.16 (t, *J* = 11.5 Hz, 2 H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2 H), 3.98 (dd, *J* = 4.9 Hz, 11.9 Hz, 2 H), 4.18 (s, 1 H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2 H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2 H). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>34</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 53.17; H, 8.43. Found: C, 53.35; H, 8.44.

***trans*-5-Ethyl-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]dioxane (1[2]).**

Yield 41%, prisms (*n*-hexane): mp 116-117 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ (ppm) 0.85 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 1.02 (quint., *J* = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 1.28-1.46 (m, 4H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.74 (quint., *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2 H), 1.81 (ttt, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 6.8 Hz, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.20 (t, *J* = 11.5 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 4.06 (dd, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 11.9 Hz, 2H), 4.18 (s, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>36</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 54.26; H, 8.63. Found: C, 54.52; H, 8.90.

***trans*-5-Propyl-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]dioxane (1[3]).**

Yield 34%, prisms (*n*-hexane): mp 86-87 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ (ppm) 0.86 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (sext, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.22 (quint., *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 1.30-1.44 (m, 4H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.73 (quint., *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 1.90 (ttt, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 6.8 Hz, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.19 (t, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 4.03 (dd, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 11.9 Hz, 2H), 4.18 (s, 1 H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>38</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 55.27; H, 8.81. Found: C, 55.38; H, 8.94.

***trans*-5-Butyl-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]dioxane (1[4]).**

Yield 45%, cubes (*n*-hexane/2-propanol): mp 68 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.85-0.99 (m, 2H), 0.85 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.12-1.42 (m, 8H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10 H), 1.73 (quint., *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.87 (ttt, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 6.8 Hz, 11.4 Hz, 1H), 3.18 (t, *J* = 11.4 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 4.03 (dd, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 11.8 Hz, 2H), 4.17 (s, 1H), 6.34 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H); MS: *m/z* = 448 (M<sup>+</sup>), 143 (100 %); HRMS: calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>40</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 448.3980. found. 448.3993. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>40</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 56.22; H, 8.99. Found: C, 55.96; H, 9.03.

***trans*-5-Pentyl-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]dioxane (1[5]).**

Yield 51%, cubes (*n*-hexane/2-propanol): mp 89-91 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.85-0.99 (m, 2H), 0.86 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 6.7 Hz, 3H), 1.16-1.43 (m, 10H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.73 (quint., *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.87 (ttt, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 6.7 Hz, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.18 (t, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (t, *J* = 6.5



Hz, 2H), 4.03 (dd,  $J = 4.6$  Hz, 11.9 Hz, 2H), 4.17 (s, 1 H), 6.65 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H); MS:  $m/z = 462$  ( $M^+$ ), 69 (100 %); HRMS: calcd. for  $C_{22}H_{42}B_{10}O_3$ : 462.4137. found. 462.4167. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{22}H_{42}B_{10}O_3$ : C, 57.11; H, 9.15. Found: C, 57.20; H, 9.17.

***trans*-5-Hexyl-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]dioxane (1[6]).** Yield 31%, needles (*n*-hexane/2-propanol): mp 62 °C;  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  0.85-0.99 (m, 2H), 0.86 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H), 0.90 (t,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 3H), 1.15-1.44 (m, 12H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.73 (quint.,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2H), 1.87 (ttt,  $J = 4.7$  Hz, 6.6 Hz, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.18 (t,  $J = 11.5$  Hz, 2H), 3.86 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 4.03 (dd,  $J = 4.7$  Hz, 11.8 Hz, 2H), 4.17 (s, 1H), 6.65 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H); MS:  $m/z = 476$  ( $M^+$ ), 69 (100 %); HRMS: calcd. for  $C_{23}H_{44}B_{10}O_3$ : 476.4294. found. 476.4299. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{23}H_{44}B_{10}O_3$ : C, 57.95; H, 9.30. Found: C, 58.07; H, 9.40.

***trans*-5-Heptyl-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]dioxane (1[7]).** Yield 42%, needles (*n*-hexane/2-propanol): mp 68-69 °C;  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  0.85-0.99 (m, 2 H), 0.87 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H), 0.90 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 3H), 1.15-1.45 (m, 14H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.73 (quint.,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 2H), 1.87 (ttt,  $J = 4.7$  Hz, 6.5 Hz, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.18 (t,  $J = 11.6$  Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 2H), 4.03 (dd,  $J = 4.7$  Hz, 11.9 Hz, 2 H), 4.17 (s, 1H), 6.65 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H); MS:  $m/z = 490$  ( $M^+$ ), 185 (100 %); HRMS: calcd. for  $C_{24}H_{46}B_{10}O_3$ : 490.4456. found. 490.4445. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{24}H_{46}B_{10}O_3$ : C, 58.74; H, 9.45. Found: C, 58.83; H, 9.55.

***trans*-5-Octyl-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]dioxane (1[8]).** Yield 45%, cubes (*n*-hexane/2-propanol): mp 58 °C;  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  0.85-0.99 (m, 2H), 0.87 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H), 0.90 (t,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 3H), 1.15-1.45 (m, 16H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.73 (quint.,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 2 H), 1.87 (ttt,  $J = 4.7$  Hz, 6.7 Hz, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.18 (t,  $J = 11.5$  Hz, 2H), 3.86 (t,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 2 H), 4.03 (dd,  $J = 4.8$  Hz, 11.8 Hz, 2H), 4.17 (s, 1H), 6.65 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H); MS:  $m/z = 504$  ( $M^+$ ), 199 (100 %); HRMS: calcd. for  $C_{25}H_{48}B_{10}O_3$ : 504.4607; found. 504.4605. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{25}H_{48}B_{10}O_3$ : C, 59.49; H, 9.59. Found: C, 59.70; H, 9.72.

***trans*-5-Nonyl-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]dioxane (1[9]).** Yield 41%, prisms (*n*-hexane/2-propanol): mp 53 °C;  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  0.85-0.99 (m, 2 H), 0.87 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3 H), 0.90 (t,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 3H), 1.15-1.45 (m, 18H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10 H), 1.73 (quint.,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2H), 1.87 (ttt,  $J = 4.6$  Hz, 6.7 Hz, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.18 (t,  $J = 11.5$  Hz, 2 H), 3.86 (t,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 2 H), 4.03 (dd,  $J = 4.7$  Hz, 11.8 Hz, 2H), 4.17 (s, 1H), 6.65 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d,  $J = 9.0$  Hz, 2H); MS:  $m/z = 518$  ( $M^+$ ), 518 (100 %); HRMS: calcd. for  $C_{26}H_{50}B_{10}O_3$ : 518.4763. found. 518.4745. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{26}H_{50}B_{10}O_3$ : C, 60.20; H, 9.71. Found: C, 60.23; H, 9.72.

***trans*-5-Decyl-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]dioxane (1[10]).** Yield 38%, cubes (*n*-hexane/2-propanol): mp 50-52 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.86-0.99 (m, 2H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (t, *J* = 7.1 Hz, 3H), 1.15-1.45 (m, 20H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.73 (quint., *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.87 (ttt, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 6.7 Hz, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.18 (t, *J* = 11.5 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 4.03 (dd, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 11.9 Hz, 2H), 4.17 (s, 1H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 7.09 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H); MS: *m/z* = 532 (M<sup>+</sup>), 69, 43 (100 %); HRMS: calcd. for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>52</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 532.4919. found. 532.4909. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>52</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 60.87; H, 9.84. Found: C, 61.10; H, 10.01.

***trans*-5-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]-dioxane (2[1]).** : Yield 47%, needles (*n*-hexane): mp 128 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.45 (m, 4H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.73 (quint., *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.06 (tt, *J* = 4.5, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.65 (t, *J* = 11.8 Hz, 2H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 4.12 (dd, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 11.9 Hz, 2H), 4.34 (s, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.0, 22.4, 28.1, 28.9, 39.4, 55.3, 68.0, 72.5, 80.0, 84.6, 98.6, 113.7, 114.3, 128.2, 128.6, 128.7, 128.8, 159.0, 159.2; MS: *m/z* = 498 (M<sup>+</sup>), 43, 134 (100 %); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>38</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 498.3773; found 498.3401. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>38</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 57.81; H, 7.68. Found: C, 57.65; H, 7.72.

***trans*-5-(4-Ethoxyphenyl)-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]-dioxane (2[2]).** Yield 72%, needles (*n*-hexane): mp 171 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.45 (m, 4H), 1.39 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.73 (quint., *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.05 (tt, *J* = 4.5, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (t, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.99 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 4.12 (dd, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 12.0 Hz, 2H), 4.34 (s, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H); MS: *m/z* = 512 (M<sup>+</sup>), 43, 120, 148 (100 %); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>40</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 512.3929; found 512.3918. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>25</sub>H<sub>40</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 58.57; H, 7.86; Found: C, 58.68; H, 7.81.

***trans*-5-(4-Propoxyphenyl)-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]-dioxane (2[3]).** Yield 72%, needles (*n*-hexane): mp 161 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.01 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.45 (m, 4H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.73 (quint., *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 1.75 (sext., *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.05 (tt, *J* = 4.4, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (t, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 4H), 4.12 (dd, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 11.9 Hz, 2H), 4.34 (s, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H); MS: *m/z* = 526 (M<sup>+</sup>), 43, 120,

162 (100 %); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>42</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 526.4086; found 526.4097. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>42</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 59.29; H, 8.04; Found: C, 59.45; H, 8.09.

***trans*-5-(4-Butoxyphenyl)-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]-dioxane (2[4]).** Yield 34%, needles (*n*-hexane): mp 139-140 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.96 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.45 (m, 4H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.47 (sext., *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.73 (quint., *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 1.74 (quint., *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.05 (tt, *J* = 4.6, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (t, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 3.92 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 4.12 (dd, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 11.7 Hz, 2H), 4.34 (s, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H); MS: *m/z* = 540 (M<sup>+</sup>), 43, 120, 176 (100 %); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>44</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 540.4243; found 540.4239. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>44</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 59.97; H, 8.20. Found: C, 60.15; H, 8.24.

***trans*-5-(4-Pentyloxyphenyl)-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]-dioxane (2[5]).** Yield 42%, needles (*n*-hexane): mp 144 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.91 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.92 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.45 (m, 8H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.68-1.82 (m, 4H), 3.05 (tt, 4.5, 11.6 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (t, *J* = 11.8 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.90 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 4.11 (dd, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 11.7 Hz, 2H), 4.34 (s, 1 H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.0, 22.4, 28.09, 28.12, 28.8, 28.9, 39.3, 67.85, 67.89, 72.4, 79.9, 84.5, 113.5, 114.6, 128.0, 128.3, 128.4, 158.3, 158.9; MS: *m/z* = 554 (M<sup>+</sup>), 43, 120, 190 (100 %); HRMS: calcd. for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>46</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 554.4399; found: 554.4401. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>46</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 60.62; H, 8.36. Found: C, 60.59; H, 8.19.

***trans*-5-(4-Hexyloxyphenyl)-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]-dioxane (2[6]).** Yield 59%, needles (*n*-hexane): mp 145 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.89 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.45 (m, 10H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.65-1.82 (m, 4H), 3.05 (tt, 4.7, 11.5 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (t, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.90 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 4.11 (dd, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 11.7 Hz, 2H), 4.34 (s, 1H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.08, 14.10, 22.5, 22.6, 25.8, 28.2, 28.9, 29.2, 31.6, 39.4, 67.9, 68.0, 72.5, 80.0, 84.5, 98.5, 113.6, 114.7, 128.0, 128.4, 128.5, 158.3, 159.0; MS: *m/z* = 568 (M<sup>+</sup>), 43, 120 (100 %); HRMS: calcd. for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>48</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 568.4556; found: 568.4573. Anal. calcd. for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>48</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 61.24; H, 8.51. Found: C, 61.38; H, 8.52.

***trans*-5-(4-Heptyloxyphenyl)-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]-dioxane (2[7]).** Yield 56%, needles (*n*-hexane): mp 146 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.20-1.50 (m, 12H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.65-1.82 (m, 4H), 3.05 (tt, 4.8, 11.2 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (t, *J* = 11.0 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 3.90 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 4.11 (dd, *J* = 4.3 Hz, 11.0 Hz, 2H), 4.34 (s, 1H), 6.65 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 159.0, 158.4, 128.6, 128.4, 128.1, 114.7, 113.6, 98.6, 84.6, 80.0, 72.5, 68.0, 67.9, 39.5, 31.8, 29.3, 29.1, 28.9, 28.2, 26.1, 22.7, 22.5, 14.2, 14.1; MS: *m/z* = 582 (M<sup>+</sup>), 120, 218 (100 %); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>50</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 582.4713; found 582.4718. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>50</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 61.82; H, 8.65. Found: C, 61.98; H, 8.66.

***trans*-5-(4-Octyloxyphenyl)-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]-dioxane (2[8]).** Yield 42%, needles (*n*-hexane): mp 124-125 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.88 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.45 (m, 14H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.73 (quint., *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 1.75 (quint., *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.05 (tt, *J* = 4.5, 11.4 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (t, *J* = 11.8 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.90 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 4.11 (dd, *J* = 4.2 Hz, 11.6 Hz, 2H), 4.34 (s, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H); MS: *m/z* = 597 (M<sup>+</sup>), 43, 120 (100 %); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>52</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 596.4869; found 596.4906. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>52</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 62.38; H, 8.78. Found: C, 62.56; H, 8.76.

***trans*-5-(4-Nonyloxyphenyl)-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]-dioxane (2[9]).** Yield 49%, needles (*n*-hexane); mp 124-126 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.88 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.45 (m, 16H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.65-1.82 (m, 4H), 3.05 (tt, *J* = 4.6, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (t, *J* = 11.7 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 3.90 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 4.11 (dd, *J* = 5.0 Hz, 11.7 Hz, 2H), 4.34 (s, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H); MS: *m/z* = 611 (M<sup>+</sup>), 43, 120, 246 (100 %). Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>54</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 62.92; H, 8.91. Found: C, 62.93; H, 8.92.

***trans*-5-(4-Decyloxyphenyl)-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]-dioxane (2[10]).** Yield 45%, needles (*n*-hexane): mp 125-126 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.88 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.45 (m, 18H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.65-1.82 (m, 4H), 3.05 (tt, *J* = 4.7, 11.5 Hz, 1H), 3.64 (t, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 3.90 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 4.12 (dd, *J* = 4.7 Hz, 12.0 Hz, 2H), 4.34 (s, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.99 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H); MS: *m/z* = 625 (M<sup>+</sup>), 43, 69, 120 (100

%); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>56</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 624.5182; found 624.5218. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>33</sub>H<sub>56</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: C, 63.43; H, 9.03. Found: C, 63.62; H, 9.06.

***trans*-5-(4-pentylphenyl)-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]dioxane**

**(3[5])**. Yield 51%, needles (*n*-hexane): mp 144 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.29-1.42 (m, 8H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.57 (quint., *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 1.73 (quint., *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 3.08 (tt, 4.7, 11.5 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (t, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 4.14 (dd, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 11.9 Hz, 2H), 4.35 (s, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.1, 22.5, 22.6, 28.2, 28.9, 31.1, 31.5, 35.5, 39.9, 67.9, 72.3, 80.0, 84.6, 98.5, 113.6, 127.3, 128.0, 128.5, 128.6, 133.7, 142.1, 158.9; MS: *m/z* = 538 (M<sup>+</sup>), 117, 174 (100 %); HRMS: calcd. for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>46</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 538.4450; found: 538.4473. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>46</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 62.42; H, 8.61. Found: C, 62.47; H, 8.40.

***trans*-5-(4-Hexylphenyl)-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]dioxane**

**(3[6])**. Yield 62%, needles (*n*-hexane): mp 148 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.20-1.45 (m, 10H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.47-1.62 (m, 2H), 1.73 (quint., *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 3.08 (tt, 4.6, 11.3 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (t, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 4.14 (dd, *J* = 4.5 Hz, 12.0 Hz, 2H), 4.35 (s, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.1, 14.2, 22.5, 22.6, 28.2, 28.9, 29.0, 31.4, 31.7, 35.6, 39.9, 67.9, 72.3, 80.0, 84.5, 98.5, 113.6, 127.2, 128.0, 128.5, 128.6, 133.7, 142.1, 159.0; MS: *m/z* = 552 (M<sup>+</sup>), 43, 117, 188 (100 %); HRMS: calcd. for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>48</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 552.4607; found: 552.4612. Anal. Calcd. for C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>48</sub>B<sub>10</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 63.01; H, 8.75. Found: C, 62.81; H, 8.56.

***trans*-5-(4-Heptylphenyl)-2-[12-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carboran-1-yl][1,3]dioxane**

**(3[7])**. Yield 52%, needles (*n*-hexane): mp 155 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.87 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.20-1.45 (m, 12H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.47-1.62 (m, 2H), 1.73 (quint., *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 3.08 (tt, 4.6, 11.6 Hz, 1H), 3.67 (t, *J* = 11.6 Hz, 2H), 3.87 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 4.14 (dd, *J* = 4.6 Hz, 11.9 Hz, 2H), 4.35 (s, 1H), 6.66 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.1, 14.2, 22.5, 22.7, 28.2, 28.9, 29.2, 29.3, 31.5, 31.8, 35.6, 39.9, 67.9, 72.3, 80.0, 84.5, 98.5, 113.6, 127.2, 128.0, 128.5, 128.7, 133.7, 142.1, 159.0; MS: *m/z* = 566 (M<sup>+</sup>), 43, 117, 202 (100 %);

HRMS: calcd. for  $C_{30}H_{50}B_{10}O_3$ : 566.4763; found: 566.4746. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{30}H_{50}B_{10}O_3$ : C, 63.57; H, 8.89. Found: C, 63.59; H, 8.72.

**12-(4-Pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carborane-1-carbaldehyde (4).** To a stirred solution of 1-(4-pentyloxyphenyl)-*p*-carborane<sup>8</sup> (**13**, 1.00 g, 3.27 mmol) in anhydrous  $Et_2O$  (10 mL) was added dropwise a 1.6 M solution of *n*-BuLi (2.51 mL, 3.92 mmol) at 0 °C under argon atmosphere and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 30 min. Then  $HCO_2Et$  (0.32 mL, 3.92 mmol) was added at -78 °C and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 hr. The mixture was poured into water and the whole was extracted with AcOEt. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried ( $MgSO_4$ ), and concentrated. The crude product was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/ $CH_2Cl_2$ , 15:1) to give 0.802 g (74% yield) of aldehyde **4** as colorless powder (*n*-hexane): mp 59 °C;  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  0.91 (t,  $J = 7.1$  Hz, 3H), 1.29-1.45 (m, 4H), 1.50-3.75 (brm, 10H), 1.74 (quint.,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2H), 3.88 (t,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 2H), 6.67 (d,  $J = 9.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H), 8.88 (s, 1H). Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{14}H_{26}B_{10}O_2$ : C, 50.27; H, 7.84. Found: C, 50.46; H, 7.77.

**2-Alkyl-1,3-propanediols (5[n]), 2-(4-Alkyloxyphenyl)-1,3-propanediols (6[n]), and 2-(4-alkylphenyl)-1,3-propanediols (7[n]). General procedure.** To a solution of corresponding diethyl alkylmalonate (**8[n]**) or diethyl arylmalonate (**9[n]** or **10[n]**) in dry THF was added  $LiAlH_4$  (4.0 equiv.) in small portion at 0 °C and the reaction mixture was stirred at ambient temperature for 12-24 hr under argon. Then, the reaction mixture was poured into ice water and added 10 % HCl. The whole was extracted with  $Et_2O$  and the organic layer was washed with brine, dried ( $MgSO_4$ ) and concentrated. The crude product **5[n]** was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane/AcOEt, 1:1) to give the corresponding 2-alkyl-1,3-propanediol as a colorless oil. The crude 2-aryl-1,3-propanediols were recrystallized from *n*-hexane to give pure colorless products.

**2-Butyl-1,3-propanediol (5[4]).**<sup>9,10</sup> Yield 73%, oil:  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  0.90 (t,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 3 H), 1.20-1.40 (m, 6 H), 1.70-1.85 (m, 1 H), 2.34 (brs, 2 H), 3.66 (dd,  $J = 7.6, 10.5$  Hz, 2 H), 3.83 (dd,  $J = 3.8, 10.5$  Hz, 2 H); MS:  $m/z = 132$  ( $M^+$ ), 84 (100); HRMS: calcd. for  $C_7H_{16}O_2$ : 132.1150; found: 132.1126.

**2-Pentyl-1,3-propanediol (5[5]).**<sup>11,12</sup> Yield 54%, oil (lit.<sup>11</sup> bp 100-106 °C/0.2 mm Hg):  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  0.89 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H), 1.16-1.40 (m, 8H), 1.71-1.84 (m, 1H), 2.37 (brs, 2H), 3.66 (dd,  $J = 7.7, 10.5$  Hz, 2H), 3.82 (dd,  $J = 3.8, 10.5$  Hz, 2H);  $^{13}C$  NMR  $\delta$  14.13, 22.62, 26.95,

27.73, 32.12, 42.03, 66.8; MS:  $m/z = 147$  ( $M^+$ ), 55 (100); HRMS: calcd. for  $C_8H_{18}O_2$ : 146.1307; found: 146.1307.

**2-Hexyl-1,3-propanediol (5[6]).**<sup>11,13</sup> Yield 44%; oil (lit.<sup>11</sup> mp 30-32 °C);  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  0.88 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 3H), 1.20-1.40 (m, 10H), 1.70-1.85 (m, 1H), 2.15 (t,  $J = 5.0$  Hz, 2H), 3.66 (ddd,  $J = 4.6, 7.4, 10.5$  Hz, 2H), 3.82 (ddd,  $J = 4.1, 5.3, 10.2$  Hz, 2H);  $^{13}C$  NMR  $\delta$  14.2, 22.7, 27.2, 27.8, 29.6, 31.8, 42.0, 66.8.

**2-Heptyl-1,3-propanediol (5[7]).**<sup>10</sup> Yield 44%; oil (lit.<sup>10</sup> mp 32-32.1 °C);  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  0.88 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H), 1.14-1.40 (m, 12H), 1.65-1.85 (m, 1H), 2.32 (brs, 2H), 3.65 (dd,  $J = 7.6, 10.5$  Hz, 2H), 3.82 (dd,  $J = 3.8, 10.5$  Hz, 2H);  $^{13}C$  NMR  $\delta$  14.2, 22.7, 27.3, 27.8, 29.3, 29.9, 31.9, 42.0, 66.8; MS:  $m/z = 174$  ( $M^+$ ), 55(100); HRMS: calcd. for  $C_{10}H_{22}O_2$ : 174.1620; found: 174.1593. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{10}H_{22}O_2$ : C, 68.92; H, 12.72. Found: C, 68.80; H, 12.63.

**2-Octyl-1,3-propanediol (5[8]).**<sup>13</sup> Yield 68%; leaflets; mp 40-41 °C;  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  0.88 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 3H), 1.20-1.35 (m, 14H), 1.70-1.85 (m, 1H), 2.22 (brs, 2H), 3.66 (dd,  $J = 7.6, 10.5$  Hz, 2H), 3.83 (dd,  $J = 3.5, 10.5$  Hz, 2H);  $^{13}C$  NMR  $\delta$  14.2, 22.7, 27.3, 27.8, 29.4, 29.6, 30.0, 31.9, 42.0, 66.8; MS:  $m/z = 188$  ( $M^+$ ), 41, 55 (100 %); HRMS: calcd. for  $C_{11}H_{24}O_2$ : 188.1776; found: 188.1806. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{11}H_{24}O_2$ : C, 70.16; H, 12.85. Found: C, 70.23; H, 13.07.

**2-Nonyl-1,3-propanediol (5[9]).** Yield 63%; leaflets; mp 44-45 °C;  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  0.88 (t,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 3H), 1.20-1.40 (m, 16H), 1.70-1.85 (m, 1H), 2.22 (brs, 2H), 3.66 (dd,  $J = 7.6, 10.5$  Hz, 2H), 3.83 (dd,  $J = 3.8, 10.5$  Hz, 2H); MS:  $m/z = 203$  ( $M^+$ ), 43 (100 %); HRMS: calcd. for  $C_{12}H_{26}O_2$ : 202.1933; found: 202.1915. Anal. calcd. for  $C_{12}H_{26}O_2$ : C, 71.23; H, 12.95. Found: C, 71.44; H, 13.23.

**2-Decyl-1,3-propanediol (5[10]).**<sup>14</sup> Yield 66%; needles; mp 57 °C (lit.<sup>14</sup> mp 60 °C);  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  0.88 (t,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 3H), 1.20-1.30 (m, 18H), 1.70-1.85 (m, 1H), 2.24 (brs, 2H), 3.66 (dd,  $J = 7.8, 10.5$  Hz, 2H), 3.82 (dd,  $J = 3.8, 10.5$  Hz, 2H); MS:  $m/z = 216$  ( $M^+$ ), 32, 43, 57 (100 %); HRMS: calcd. for  $C_{13}H_{28}O_2$ : 216.2089; found: 216.2108. Anal. calcd. for  $C_{13}H_{28}O_2$ : C, 72.17; H, 13.04. Found: C, 72.26; H, 13.33.

**2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-1,3-propanediol (6[1]).**<sup>15,16</sup> Yield 67%; mp 83-85 °C (lit.<sup>16</sup> mp 83-85 °C);  $^1H$  NMR  $\delta$  2.45 (br s, 2H), 3.07 (tt,  $J = 5.7$  Hz, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.91 (dd,  $J = 5.7, 10.8$  Hz, 2H), 3.98 (dd,  $J = 7.4, 10.9$  Hz, 2H), 6.88 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H), 7.16 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H);  $^{13}C$  NMR  $\delta$  49.0, 55.3, 66.1, 114.3, 129.0, 131.1, 158.8.

**2-(4-Ethoxyphenyl)-1,3-propanediol (6[2]).**<sup>17</sup> Yield 32% for 2 steps from *p*-ethoxyiodobenzene **11[2]**): mp 75-76 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 1.41 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.93 (br s, 2H), 3.06 (tt, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.87-4.01 (m, 4H), 4.02 (q, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.8, 48.9, 63.4, 66.1, 114.8, 128.9, 131.0, 158.0; MS: *m/z* = 196 (M<sup>+</sup>), 165 (100 %). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 67.32; H, 8.22. Found: C, 67.22; H, 8.09.

**2-(4-Propoxyphenyl)-1,3-propanediol (6[3]).** Yield 30% for 2 steps from *p*-propoxyiodobenzene **11[3]**): mp 68-69 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 1.03 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 1.80 (sext., *J* = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 1.89 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.06 (tt, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.85-4.02 (m, 4H), 3.90 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.15 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 10.5, 22.5, 48.8, 66.0, 69.5, 114.7, 128.9, 131.0, 158.2; MS: *m/z* = 210 (M<sup>+</sup>), 179 (100 %). Anal. calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 68.54; H, 8.63. Found: C, 68.43; H, 8.86.

**2-(4-Butoxyphenyl)-1,3-propanediol (6[4]).**<sup>13</sup> Yield 51%; rods: mp 71-72 °C (lit.<sup>13</sup> mp 70-72 °C); <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.97 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 3H), 1.49 (q., *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 1.76 (quint., *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.00 (br s, 2H), 3.05 (tt, *J* = 5.9 Hz, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.87-4.01 (m, 4H), 3.94 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H); MS: *m/z* = 224 (M<sup>+</sup>), 193 (100); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>20</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 224.1412; found 224.1413.

**2-(4-Pentyloxyphenyl)-1,3-propanediol (6[5]).** Yield 69%; leaflets: mp 59 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.93 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.30-1.49 (m, 4H), 1.77 (quint., *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 2.53 (br s, 2H), 3.02 (tt, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.80-4.00 (m, 4H), 3.92 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.11 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.1, 22.5, 28.2, 29.0, 48.9, 66.1, 68.0, 114.7, 128.8, 130.8, 158.1; MS: *m/z* = 238 (M<sup>+</sup>), 43 (100 %); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 238.1569; found 238.1587. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 70.56; H, 9.30. Found: C, 70.35; H, 9.46.

**2-(4-Hexyloxyphenyl)-1,3-propanediol (6[6]).** Yield 73%; leaflets: mp 60 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 0.90 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.58 (m, 6H), 1.77 (quint., *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 1.94 (br s, 2H), 3.06 (tt, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.85-4.01 (m, 4H), 3.93 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.1, 22.6, 25.7, 29.3, 31.6, 48.8, 66.0, 68.0, 114.6, 128.8, 130.9, 158.0; MS: *m/z* = 252 (M<sup>+</sup>), 221 (100 %); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 252.1725; found 252.1716. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: C, 71.39; H, 9.59. Found: C, 71.32; H, 9.71.



**2-(4-Heptyloxyphenyl)-1,3-propanediol (6[7]).** Yield 71%; prisms: mp 58-60 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR  $\delta$  0.89 (t,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.50 (m, 8H), 1.77 (quint.,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2H), 1.97 (br s, 2H), 3.06 (tt,  $J = 5.7$  Hz, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.85-4.01 (m, 4H), 3.93 (t,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 2H), 6.86 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR  $\delta$  14.1, 22.6, 26.0, 29.1, 29.3, 31.8, 48.9, 66.0, 68.0, 114.7, 128.8, 130.9, 158.1; MS:  $m/z = 266$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ), 235 (100 %); HRMS: calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_3$ : 266.1882; found 266.1866. Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_3$ : C, 72.14; H, 9.84. Found: C, 72.15; H, 10.01.

**2-(4-Octyloxyphenyl)-1,3-propanediol (6[8]).** Yield 44%; cubes: mp 61-62 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR  $\delta$  0.89 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.45 (m, 10H), 1.77 (quint.,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 2H), 1.94 (br s, 2H), 3.06 (tt,  $J = 5.7$  Hz, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.87-4.00 (m, 6H), 6.87 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR  $\delta$  14.0, 22.6, 26.0, 29.18, 29.24, 29.3, 31.8, 48.9, 66.1, 68.0, 114.8, 128.9, 130.9, 158.3; MS:  $m/z = 280$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ), 249 (100 %); Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{28}\text{O}_3$ : C, 72.82; H, 10.06. Found: C, 72.95; H, 10.19.

**2-(4-Nonyloxyphenyl)-1,3-propanediol (6[9]).** Yield 40%; cubes: mp 64-65 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR  $\delta$  0.88 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 3H), 1.20-1.50 (m, 12H), 1.77 (quint.,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 2H), 1.99 (br s, 2H), 3.06 (tt,  $J = 5.9$  Hz, 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.82-4.00 (m, 6H), 6.87 (d,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR  $\delta$  14.1, 22.6, 26.0, 29.2, 29.3, 29.4, 29.5, 31.9, 49.0, 66.2, 68.1, 114.9, 129.0, 130.9, 158.4; MS:  $m/z = 294$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ), 263 (100 %). Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{30}\text{O}_3$ : C, 73.43; H, 10.27. Found: C, 73.73; H, 10.40.

**2-(4-Decyloxyphenyl)-1,3-propanediol (6[10]).** Yield 50%; cubes: mp 69-70 °C;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR  $\delta$  0.88 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.50 (m, 14H), 1.77 (quint.,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2H), 1.97 (br s, 2H), 3.06 (tt,  $J = 5.9$  Hz, 7.3 Hz, 1H), 3.82-4.00 (m, 6H), 6.87 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR  $\delta$  14.1, 22.6, 26.0, 29.2, 29.3, 29.4, 29.52, 29.53, 31.8, 48.8, 66.1, 68.0, 114.7, 128.9, 130.9, 158.2. Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{32}\text{O}_3$ : C, 73.98; H, 10.46. Found: C, 73.88; H, 10.54.

**2-(4-Pentylphenyl)-1,3-propanediol (7[5]).**<sup>18</sup> Yield 62%; leaflets (*n*-hexane); mp 71 °C (lit.<sup>18</sup> mp 71.1-73.5 °C)  $^1\text{H}$  NMR  $\delta$  0.89 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H), 1.26-1.34 (m, 4H), 1.60 (quint.,  $J = 7.5$  Hz, 2H), 1.96 (t,  $J = 5.5$  Hz, 2H), 2.57 (t,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 3.08 (tt,  $J = 5.7$  Hz, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.88-4.04 (m, 4H), 7.14 (s, 4H); MS:  $m/z = 222$  ( $\text{M}^+$ ), 174 (100 %);  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR  $\delta$  14.0, 22.5, 31.1,

31.5, 35.5, 49.5, 66.1, 127.9, 128.8, 136.3, 142.0; HRMS: calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 222.1620; found 222.1639. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 75.63; H, 9.97. Found: C, 75.45; H, 10.22.

**2-(4-Hexylphenyl)-1,3-propanediol (7[6]).**<sup>13</sup> Yield 56%; prisms: mp 68 °C (lit.<sup>13</sup> mp 72-74 °C); <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.20-1.30 (m, 6H), 1.55-1.65 (m, 2H), 1.94 (t, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 2.58 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 3.08 (tt, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.88-4.04 (m, 4H), 7.14 (s, 4H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.2, 22.7, 29.1, 31.5, 31.7, 35.6, 49.3, 65.9, 127.7, 128.6, 136.2, 141.7; MS: *m/z* = 236 (M<sup>+</sup>), 188 (100 %); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 236.1776; found 236.1769. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 76.23; H, 10.24. Found: C, 76.04; H, 10.44.

**2-(4-Heptylphenyl)-1,3-propanediol (7[7]).** Yield 72%; prisms: mp 69-70 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.25-1.35 (m, 8H), 1.59 (quint., *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.93 (t, *J* = 5.4 Hz, 2H), 2.57 (t, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 2H), 3.09 (tt, *J* = 5.7 Hz, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.88-4.04 (m, 4H), 7.14 (s, 4H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.2, 22.7, 29.2, 29.4, 31.5, 31.9, 35.6, 49.3, 66.0, 127.7, 128.7, 136.2, 141.7; MS: *m/z* = 250 (M<sup>+</sup>), 202 (100 %); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: 250.1933; found 250.1940. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 76.75; H, 10.47. Found: C, 76.60; H, 10.68.

**Diethyl Arylmalonates 9[n] and 10[n]. General procedure.** A double neck flask was charged sequentially with CuI (20 mol %), 2-phenylphenol (40 mol %) and Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.5 equiv.). The flask was evacuated and backfilled with argon (3 times). The aryl iodide was added followed by diethyl malonate (2.0 equiv) and anhydrous 1,4-dioxane. The reaction mixture was refluxed for 17 hr. Then the reaction mixture was cooled and filtrated through Celite. The filtrate was washed with saturate aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl followed by brine, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated. The crude product purified by silica gel flash column chromatography (*n*-hexane/AcOEt, 15:1) to give diethyl arylmalonate as a colorless oil.

**Diethyl (4-Methoxyphenyl)malonate (9[1]).**<sup>19</sup> Yield 70%; <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 6H), 3.80 (s, 1H), 4.12-4.29 (m, 4H), 4.55 (s, 1H), 6.89 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2 H), 7.33 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.0, 55.2, 57.1, 61.7, 114.0, 124.9, 130.4, 159.5, 168.4.

**Diethyl (4-Ethoxyphenyl)malonate (9[2]).**<sup>17,19</sup> Isolation of 9[2] from 2-phenylphenol was not achieved with any solvent system. Therefore the mixture was used in the reduction of malonate 9[2] with LiAlH<sub>4</sub> without further purification.

**Diethyl (4-Propoxyphenyl)malonate (9[3]).**<sup>19</sup> Isolation of **9[3]** from 2-phenylphenol was not achieved with any solvent system. Therefore the mixture was used in the reduction of malonate **9[3]** with LiAlH<sub>4</sub> without further purification.

**Diethyl (4-Butoxyphenyl)malonate (9[4]).**<sup>19</sup> Yield 30%: <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.93 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H), 1.33-1.49 (m, 4H), 1.78 (quint., *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 4.12-4.29 (m, 4H), 4.54 (s, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H).

**Diethyl (4-Pentyloxyphenyl)malonate (9[5]).**<sup>19</sup> Yield 38%: <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.93 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H), 1.33-1.49 (m, 4H), 1.78 (quint., *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 4.12-4.29 (m, 4H), 4.54 (s, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.1, 22.5, 28.2, 29.0, 57.2, 61.7, 67.9, 114.4, 124.5, 130.2, 158.9, 168.3; MS: *m/z* = 322 (M<sup>+</sup>), 179 (100); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>26</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: 322.1780; found 322.1796.

**Diethyl (4-Hexyloxyphenyl)malonate (9[6]).**<sup>19</sup> Yield 56%: <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.90 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H), 1.27-1.52 (m, 6H), 1.77 (quint., *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 4.12-4.29 (m, 4H), 4.54 (s, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.3 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.1, 22.7, 25.8, 29.3, 31.6, 57.2, 61.7, 68.0, 114.4, 124.5, 130.2, 158.9, 168.3; MS: *m/z* = 336 (M<sup>+</sup>), 179 (100); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: 336.1937; found 336.1921.

**Diethyl (4-Heptyloxyphenyl)malonate (9[7]).**<sup>19</sup> Yield 59%: <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.89 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H), 1.24-1.52 (m, 8H), 1.77 (quint., *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (t, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 2H), 4.12-4.29 (m, 4H), 4.54 (s, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.1, 14.2, 22.7, 26.1, 29.1, 29.3, 31.8, 57.2, 61.7, 68.0, 114.4, 124.5, 130.2, 158.9, 168.3; MS: *m/z* = 350 (M<sup>+</sup>), 179 (100); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>30</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: 350.2093; found 350.2071.

**Diethyl (4-Octyloxyphenyl)malonate (9[8]).**<sup>19</sup> Yield 60%: (lit.<sup>19</sup> mp 26-27 °C); <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.89 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 6H), 1.23-1.52 (m, 10H), 1.77 (quint., *J* = 6.9 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 4.15-4.29 (m, 4H), 4.54 (s, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.3 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H); MS: *m/z* = 364 (M<sup>+</sup>), 179 (100); HRMS: calcd for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>32</sub>O<sub>5</sub>: 364.2250; found 364.2241.

**Diethyl (4-Nonyloxyphenyl)malonate (9[9]).**<sup>19</sup> Yield 67%: <sup>1</sup>H NMR δ 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.26 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 6H), 1.20-1.50 (m, 12H), 1.77 (quint., *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.94 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 4.11-4.29 (m, 4H), 4.54 (s, 1H), 6.87 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 14.0, 14.1, 22.7, 26.0, 29.2, 29.4, 29.5, 31.9, 57.2, 61.7, 68.0, 114.6, 124.7, 130.3,

159.1, 168.5; MS:  $m/z = 378$  ( $M^+$ ), 179 (100); HRMS: calcd for  $C_{22}H_{34}O_5$ : 378.2406; found 378.2394.

**Diethyl (4-Decyloxyphenyl)malonate (9[10]).**<sup>19</sup> Yield 66%, rods (*n*-hexane): mp 38 °C; (lit.<sup>19</sup> mp 38-39 °C); <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $\delta$  0.88 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 3H), 1.26 (t,  $J = 7.0$  Hz, 6H), 1.20-1.50 (m, 14H), 1.77 (quint.,  $J = 6.9$  Hz, 2H), 3.94 (t,  $J = 6.5$  Hz, 2H), 4.11-4.29 (m, 4H), 4.54 (s, 1H), 6.87 (d,  $J = 8.6$  Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d,  $J = 8.9$  Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $\delta$  14.0, 14.1, 22.7, 26.1, 29.26, 29.31, 29.39, 29.56, 29.58, 31.9, 57.2, 61.7, 68.0, 114.6, 124.7, 130.3, 159.1, 168.5; MS:  $m/z = 392$  ( $M^+$ ), 179 (100); HRMS: calcd for  $C_{23}H_{36}O_5$ : 392.2563; found 392.2554. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{23}H_{36}O_5$ : C, 70.38; H, 9.24. Found: C, 70.50; H, 9.47.

**Diethyl (4-Pentylphenyl)malonate (10[5]).**<sup>19</sup> Yield 46%: <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $\delta$  0.89 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H), 1.26 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 6H), 1.22-1.30 (m, 4H), 1.61 (quint.,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 2.59 (t,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 2H), 4.11-4.29 (m, 4H), 4.57 (s, 1H), 7.16 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $\delta$  14.0, 22.5, 31.0, 31.5, 35.6, 57.6, 61.6, 128.4, 128.9, 129.8, 142.7, 168.1; MS:  $m/z = 306$  ( $M^+$ ), 233 (100); HRMS: calcd for  $C_{18}H_{26}O_4$ : 306.1831; found 306.1825.

**Diethyl (4-Hexylphenyl)malonate (10[6]).**<sup>19</sup> Yield 36%: <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $\delta$  0.88 (t,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 3H), 1.26 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 6H), 1.26-1.40 (m, 6H), 1.60 (quint.,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 2H), 2.59 (t,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 2H), 4.12-4.29 (m, 4H), 4.57 (s, 1H), 7.16 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $\delta$  13.9, 14.0, 22.5, 28.9, 31.2, 31.6, 35.5, 57.5, 61.5, 128.3, 128.8, 129.8, 142.6, 197.9; MS:  $m/z = 320$  ( $M^+$ ), 247 (100); HRMS: calcd for  $C_{19}H_{28}O_4$ : 320.1988; found 320.1966.

**Diethyl (4-Heptylphenyl)malonate (10[7]).** Yield 38%: <sup>1</sup>H NMR  $\delta$  0.88 (t,  $J = 6.8$  Hz, 3H), 1.26 (t,  $J = 7.2$  Hz, 6H), 1.23-1.35 (m, 8H), 1.60 (quint.,  $J = 7.8$  Hz, 2H), 2.59 (t,  $J = 7.7$  Hz, 2H), 4.12-4.29 (m, 4H), 4.57 (s, 1H), 7.16 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H), 7.30 (d,  $J = 8.1$  Hz, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR  $\delta$  14.1, 14.2, 22.7, 29.2, 29.4, 31.4, 31.9, 35.7, 57.6, 61.7, 128.5, 128.9, 129.8, 142.8, 168.1; MS:  $m/z = 334$  ( $M^+$ ), 262 (100); HRMS: calcd for  $C_{20}H_{30}O_4$ : 334.2144; found 334.2157.

## 8. Archive files for HF/6-31G(d) calculations

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**1[4] conformer F (anti)**

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HF/6-31G\* FOPT GEOM(NOANGLE, NODISTANCE) FCHECK\1-(4-Pentyloxyphenyl)-

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12-(5-butylldiox[1,3]an-2-yl)-p-carborane, F anti\0,1\B,-1.6359929423, 1.459169056,-0.7359838319\B,-1.6497467218,1.5095467901,1.048227881\B,0.0701392396,1.5078054294,-1.2821891957\B,0.0378546045,1.606374039,1.6082675248\B,1.1056161513,1.5969679906,0.1678736555\B,0.8589279392,0.1231049324,1.1124858832\B,0.8774502497,0.0536964841,-0.6694249543\B,-0.8380543309,0.0627392642,1.6580081361\B,-1.8721610766,-0.0232604323,0.2073900467\B,-0.8118408529,-0.0254634583,-1.2309964872\C,-0.3273743017,-0.7863080219,0.2428341625\C,-0.2903035786,-2.3038361605,0.272890734\C,0.6819162856,-3.0009955575,0.9694945657\C,0.714513368,-4.3897080572,0.9951732552\C,-0.2443141464,-5.1155501586,0.309749372\O,-0.3089547189,-6.4584928001,0.2658111643\C,0.6430113197,-7.2373667123,0.9474564686\C,0.3037260215,-8.6974674907,0.7065005352\C,1.2789371738,-9.6464631823,1.4049916194\C,0.9471270421,-11.1212049431,1.1693656411\C,1.9211656116,-12.0695798397,1.8670143174\C,-1.2290774339,-4.4309460586,-0.3972535675\C,-1.2480125484,-3.0556029593,-0.4129658089\C,-0.4483971998,2.3384479192,0.1349340712\C,-0.5584245217,3.8672550286,0.1190022921\O,-0.7531457521,4.300209942,-1.1770195954\C,-0.8864179241,5.6972282661,-1.2864740525\C,0.3339065423,6.3986131542,-0.6921211331\C,0.5568026681,5.8222599523,0.704448187\O,0.5835615904,4.4164109294,0.6667195035\C,0.1974450693,7.923960288,-0.6461935466\C,0.1437263519,8.6027717372,-2.0181720389\C,0.1140723015,10.129561672,-1.9227983402\C,0.0546684049,10.8106600721,-3.2894677719\H,-2.471045372,2.0211584597,-1.3459635162\H,-2.4884946086,2.1245824519,1.6050756975\H,0.3612768022,2.091227989,-2.2592393295\H,0.3147506567,2.2658020589,2.5430657349\H,2.0889834988,2.2392886281,0.1603634691\H,1.7033359712,-0.4013681961,1.7413979725\H,1.7144093065,-0.5588879779,-1.2291227828\H,-1.128002634,-0.5376353794,2.6298210107\H,-2.8571896808,-0.6686764409,0.2263789424\H,-1.0867763147,-0.6803158645,-2.1705986094\H,1.4416546695,-2.4749682449,1.5114426375\H,1.4908349136,-4.8773097908,1.5514674421\H,1.6393066882,-7.0098665835,0.5787698928\H,0.6164716575,-7.0082516286,2.0091125981\H,-0.7090689754,-8.8785409609,1.0545879437\H,0.3055368692,-8.8801528325,-0.3641617015\H,2.2919232748,-9.4487523485,1.0580518921\H,1.2782914181,-9.4471519993,2.4754507146\H,-0.0639428295,-11.3214956764,1.5165753964\H,0.9486623176,-11.3230895252,0.1006438908\H,2.9375868268,-11.9166089917,1.5153939803\H,1.9171444656,-11.9150033454,2.9423024153\H,1.6599359299,-13.1066406791,1.6813633388\H,-1.9706644946,-4.9977242975,-0.9284857052\H,-2.021529271,-2.564031486,-0.9695121657\H,-1.4162248646,4.160206052,0.7226463702\H,-1.004262161,5.9013983399,-2.3398392843\H,-1.7941174031,6.017844003,-0.7739607325\H,1.1952171097,6.1281203863,-1.2974469393\H,-0.2311629876,6.1524565422,1.3818412214\H,1.5062602433,6.1333174778,1.1167567655\H,-0.6911546073,8.1917873091,-0.0760995272\H,1.0431533424,8.3269624915,-0.0922116138\H,1.0074710962,8.2959916745,-2.6049729946\H,-0.7333960261,8.2682828451,-2.5672557373\H,-0.7439783686,10.4367550734,-1.3286721101\H,0.9956273701,10.4731926696,-1.3860916878\H,0.0370626197,11.8912334694,-3.1887656731\H,0.9170346742,10.5489240514,-3.895883053\H,-0.835750413,10.5151415416,-3.8370618052\Version=x86-Linux-G98RevA.9\HF=-1290.0278185\RMSD=4.868e-09\RMSF=2.465e-06\Dipole=0.2242145,0.7098069,0.2861259\PG=C01 [X(C21H40B10O3)]\@

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