

# Synthetic Method for 2,2'-Disubstituted Fluorinated Binaphthyl Derivatives and Application as Chiral Source in Design of Chiral Mono-Phosphoric Acid Catalyst

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**ABSTRACT** A practical synthetic method for 2,2'-disubstituted fluorinated binaphthyl derivatives was achieved using magnesium bis(2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperamide) [Mg(TMP)<sub>2</sub>], prepared from LiTMP (2 equiv) and MgBr<sub>2</sub> (1 equiv), which allows for access to a variety of fluorinated binaphthyl compounds. The utility of the fluorinated binaphthyl backbone was evaluated in F<sub>10</sub>BINOL derived chiral mono-phosphoric acid (*R*)-**19** as the chiral Brønsted acid catalyst. The catalyst (*R*)-**19** performs exceptionally well in the catalytic enantioselective imino-ene reaction, demonstrating the potential of a fluorinated binaphthyl framework. *Chirality* 00:000–000, 2015. © 2015 Wiley Periodicals, Inc.

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The axially chiral 1,1'-binaphthyl framework has been known as the broadly applicable chiral sources in the design of chiral molecular catalysts.<sup>1</sup> Among varieties of reported catalysts to date, the optically active 1,1'-bi-2-naphthol (BINOL)-derived chiral Brønsted acids have been recently recognized as useful chiral catalysts in catalytic asymmetric synthesis.<sup>2–9</sup> Dicarboxylic acids,<sup>10,11</sup> phosphoric acids<sup>12–17</sup> and their analogs,<sup>18–21</sup> disulfonic acids,<sup>22–24</sup> and disulfonimides<sup>25–28</sup> with a binaphthyl backbone are representatives. The acidic functionalization at the 2,2'-position and the modifications at the 3,3'-position are general strategies to realize suitable catalyst activity and asymmetric reaction space.

Fluorinated binaphthyls have been attractive motifs of 1,1'-binaphthyl framework, since their properties of steric and electronic alterations would lead to considerable changes in catalyst activity and asymmetric environment. In this regard, Yudin and co-workers reported optically active F<sub>4</sub>- and F<sub>8</sub>BINOL, which are fluorinated at the 5, 6, 7, 8 position or 5,5', 6,6', 7,7', 8,8' positions of the back aryl rings, respectively.<sup>29,30</sup> Piers and co-workers developed synthesis and resolution of 2,2'-dihydroxy-3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-dodecafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl (F<sub>12</sub>BINOL).<sup>31</sup> Due to the higher electron-withdrawing nature of fluoroaryls,<sup>32</sup> it has been expected that a fluorinated binaphthyl backbone would greatly enhance the acidity at the 2,2'-position that would lead to improving the efficiency in the chiral Brønsted acid catalysis.<sup>33,34</sup> Although the utilities of a fluorinated binaphthyl scaffold has been indicated in the design of chiral molecular catalysts,<sup>35,36</sup> the practical synthetic method and systematic studies on 2,2'- and 3,3'-substitution have not been fully established, due to synthetic difficulties, unlike for the general binaphthyl backbone. Herein, we report the practical synthetic method for fluorinated binaphthyl compounds and its application as chiral mono-phosphoric acid catalyst in the catalytic asymmetric imino-ene reaction.<sup>37–40</sup>

## EXPERIMENTAL

### Instruments and Materials

<sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were recorded on a JEOL ECA-600 (600 MHz) and a JEOL ECA-400 (400 MHz) spectrometer at ambient temperature. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm, with solvent resonance employed as internal standard; CDCl<sub>3</sub> (7.26 ppm), C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub> (7.16 ppm), and acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub> (2.06 ppm). <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a JEOL ECA-600 (151 MHz) and a JEOL ECA-400 (101 MHz) spectrometer with complete proton decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from the solvent resonance as the internal standard; CDCl<sub>3</sub> (77.0 ppm), C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub> (128.0 ppm), and acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub> (206.7 ppm, 29.9 ppm). <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra were recorded on a JEOL ECA-600 (565 MHz) and JEOL ECA-400 (376 MHz). Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from the C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>6</sub> (–162 ppm) resonance as the external standard. <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra were recorded on a JEOL ECA-600 (243 MHz) spectrometer with complete proton decoupling. Chemical shifts are reported in ppm from the (PhO)<sub>3</sub>PO (–17.8 ppm) resonance as the external standard. Infrared spectra were recorded on a Jasco FT/IR-4100 spectrometer. Optical rotations were measured on a Jasco P-1020 digital polarimeter with a sodium lamp and reported as follows; [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> (c = g/100 mL, solvent, % enantiomeric excess [*ee*]). The enantioselectivities were determined by ultrahigh- or high-performance liquid chromatography (UHPLC or HPLC), which was performed on a Jasco X-LC-3000 system or a Jasco HPLC-2000 system with UV detectors. High-resolution mass spectra analysis was performed on a Bruker Daltonics solariX 9.4 T spectrometer at the Research and Analytical Center for Giant Molecules, Graduate School of Science, Tohoku University.

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## Materials and Methods

CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, toluene and tetrahydrofuran (THF) were supplied from Kanto Chemical (Tokyo, Japan) as “Dehydrated solvent system.” Other solvents were dried over activated MS 4Å and used under nitrogen atmosphere. Reagents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification. All reactions were carried out in flame-dried glassware with magnetic stirring under nitrogen atmosphere. Analytical thin-layer chromatography (TLC) was performed on Merck (Darmstadt, Germany) precoated TLC plates (silica gel 60 GF 254, 0.25 mm). Purification of reaction products was carried out by flash column chromatography using silica gel 60 (spherical, neutral, 100–210 μm; KANTO Chemical), silica gel 60 (230–400 mesh; E. Merck), and DIOL silica gel (45–75 μm; Fuji Silysia Chemical, Japan). NH silica gel (45–75 μm; Fuji Silysia Chemical).

## Syntheses

**Preparation of magnesium bis(2,2,6,6-tetramethyl piperamide) [Mg(TMP)<sub>2</sub>]**<sup>41,42</sup>. A flame-dried 100-mL three-necked round-bottomed flask equipped with a reflux condenser, a Teflon-coated magnetic stirring bar, a rubber septum, and an inlet adapter with three-way stopcock was charged with Mg turning (273 mg, 11.3 mmol). The flask was evacuated under heating then backfilled with nitrogen. After THF (11.3 mL) was added to the flask, the reaction mixture was heated at reflux, and 1,2-dibromoethane (969 μL, 11.3 mmol) was added dropwise at reflux. The resulting suspension was stirred at reflux for 45 min. In another 100-mL two-necked round-bottomed flask equipped with a Teflon-coated magnetic stirring bar, a rubber septum, and an inlet adapter with three-way stopcock was charged with 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine (3.80 mL, 22.5 mmol) and THF (11.3 mL). The solution was cooled to –78°C. To the solution was added *n*-BuLi (1.51 M in *n*-hexane, 14.9 mL, 22.5 mmol) dropwise at –78°C. The resulting suspension was stirred at –78°C for 10 min and warmed at 0°C for 30 min. The resulting pale yellow solution was transferred to the MgBr<sub>2</sub>·THF solution via cannula, and the reaction mixture was stirred for an additional 2 h to afford a pale yellow solution of Mg(TMP)<sub>2</sub> (0.27 M in THF).

**3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-Dodecafluoro-[1,1'-binaphthalene]-2,2'-dicarbaldehyde (2)**. To an ice bath-cooled solution of Mg(TMP)<sub>2</sub> (0.27 M in THF, 5.6 mL, 1.5 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) was added the 3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-dodecafluoro-1,1'-binaphthalene (**1**)<sup>31</sup> (235 mg, 0.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) at 0°C. After being stirred for 2 h, the reaction mixture was transferred to the THF (2.5 mL) solution of DMF (387 μL, 5 mmol, 10 equiv.) by cannula at 0°C and the resulting solution was stirred for a further 2 h at the same temperature. After the reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature, the reaction was quenched with 1 M HCl aq. (~10 mL) and extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (~15 mL × 2). The combined Et<sub>2</sub>O extracts were washed with brine (~10 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration to give a brown solid. The residual crude was purified by silica gel column chromatography (0–5% EtOAc in hexane as an eluent) to give the product 3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-dodecafluoro-[1,1'-binaphthalene]-2,2'-dicarbaldehyde (**2**) (201 mg, 0.39 mmol, 77% yield) as a yellow solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 10.23 (s, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 185.8 (d, *J* = 9 Hz), 148.8 (dd, *J* = 257 Hz, 13 Hz), 144.5 (dm, *J* = 264 Hz, 2 peaks were overlapped), 141.6 (dm, *J* = 256 Hz), 140.9 (dt, *J* = 259 Hz, 16 Hz), 139.6 (dt, *J* = 257 Hz, 16 Hz), 130.3, 123.7, 116.7, 114.3. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (565 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ –137.0 (t, *J* = 16.7 Hz, 2F), –141.0 (dd, *J* = 63.2 Hz, 17.9 Hz, 2F), –143.7

(dtm, *J* = 64.4 Hz, 16.7 Hz, 2F), –148.3 (m, 2F), –149.1 (t, *J* = 19.1 Hz, 2F), –153.3 (t, *J* = 19.1 Hz, 2F). HRMS (ESI<sup>–</sup>): calcd. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>2</sub>F<sub>12</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, [M+I]<sup>–</sup>: 652.8913; found: 652.8913. IR (neat, cm<sup>–1</sup>): 2891, 1710, 1662, 1642, 1582, 1528, 1495, 1390, 1276, 1256, 1178, 1114, 1078, 1046, 1008, 991, 910, 851. mp: 156–160°C.

**3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-Dodecafluoro-[1,1'-binaphthalene]-2,2'-dimethanol (3)**. To an ice bath cooled MeOH (7.4 mL) solution of 3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-dodecafluoro-[1,1'-binaphthalene]-2,2'-dicarbaldehyde (**2**) (389 mg, 0.74 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added NaBH<sub>4</sub> (62 mg, 1.63 mmol, 2.2 equiv.) at 0°C. After being stirred for 15 min, the reaction mixture was quenched with 1 M HCl aq. (~10 mL) and extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (~15 mL × 2). The combined Et<sub>2</sub>O extracts were washed with brine (~15 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration. The residual crude was purified by silica gel column chromatography (0–10% EtOAc in hexane as an eluent) to give the product 3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-dodecafluoro-[1,1'-binaphthalene]-2,2'-dimethanol (**3**) (345 mg, 0.65 mmol, 88% yield) as a white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 4.88 (bs), 4.59 (d, *J* = 12.4 Hz), 4.16 (dd, *J* = 12.0 Hz, 1.4 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 148.0 (dd, *J* = 251 Hz, 11 Hz), 144.0 (dd, *J* = 260 Hz, 16 Hz), 143.6 (dm, *J* = 256 Hz), 141.4 (dm, *J* = 256 Hz), 139.3 (dm, *J* = 252 Hz, 4 peaks were overlapped), 131.9 (d, *J* = 15 Hz), 127.5, 117.1, 111.6 (t, *J* = 10 Hz), 55.0. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (565 MHz, acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ –140.8 (t, *J* = 16.7 Hz, 2F), –142.8 (d, *J* = 14.3 Hz, 2F), –145.5 (dd, *J* = 64.4 Hz, 16.7 Hz, 2F), –148.3 (dtd, *J* = 64.4 Hz, 16.7 Hz, 4.8 Hz, 2F), –157.4 (t, *J* = 17.9 Hz, 2F), –158.5 (tm, *J* = 15.5 Hz). HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): calcd. for C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>6</sub>F<sub>12</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 553.0068; found: 553.0068. IR (neat, cm<sup>–1</sup>): 3286, 2956, 2902, 1663, 1646, 1591, 1528, 1496, 1410, 1253, 1179, 1113, 1086, 1037, 995. mp: 232°C.

**3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-Dodecafluoro-[1,1'-binaphthalene]-2,2'-dicarboxylic acid (4)**. 3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-Dodecafluoro-[1,1'-binaphthalene]-2,2'-dicarbaldehyde (**2**) (53 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), NaClO<sub>2</sub> (81 mg, 0.9 mmol, 9.0 equiv.) and NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (54 mg, 0.45 mmol, 4.5 equiv.) was dissolved in the mixed solution of THF (125 μL), *t*BuOH (300 μL) and H<sub>2</sub>O (60 μL). To the resulting mixture was added 2-methyl-2-butene (106 μL, 1.0 mmol, 10.0 equiv.) dropwise. After being stirred for 3 h, the reaction mixture was quenched with water (~10 mL) and extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (~10 mL × 2). The organic layer was extracted with 0.4 M NaOH aq. (10 mL × 3). The combined aqueous extracts were acidified with 6 M HCl aq. (5 mL) and extract with Et<sub>2</sub>O (10 mL × 3). The combined Et<sub>2</sub>O extracts were washed with brine (~10 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration to give the crude product (90% yield). The residual crude was dissolved in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (3 mL) and purified by filtration to give the product 3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-dodecafluoro-[1,1'-binaphthalene]-2,2'-dicarboxylic acid (**4**) (30 mg, 0.06 mmol, 60% yield) as a white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 6.16 (br, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 162.5, 144.5 (dd, *J* = 254 Hz, 13 Hz), 144.3 (dm, *J* = 259 Hz), 143.9 (dm, *J* = 255 Hz), 141.3 (dm, *J* = 263 Hz), 140.1 (dt, *J* = 254 Hz, 15 Hz), 139.5 (dm, *J* = 253 Hz), 127.1, 126.2 (d, *J* = 17 Hz), 117.5, 111.9 (t, *J* = 11 Hz). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (565 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ –140.6 (t, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 2F), –141.4 (m, 2F), –143.6 (dd, *J* = 63.2, 17.9 Hz, 2F), –147.5 (dtm, *J* = 64.4 Hz, 16.1 Hz, 2F), –154.8 (t, *J* = 16.7 Hz, 2F), –157.1 (tm, *J* = 16.7 Hz, 2F). HRMS

(ESI): calcd. for  $C_{22}H_2F_{12}O_4$ , [M-H]<sup>-</sup>: 556.9689; found: 556.9688. IR (neat,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 2985, 2870, 1723, 1666, 1647, 1531, 1497, 1458, 1434, 1388, 1286, 1252, 1228, 1180, 1156, 1112, 1083, 999, 976, 919. mp: Due to the decomposition of titled compound at 285–287°C, mp could not be determined.

**3,4,5,6,7,8-Hexafluoro-2-naphthalen-2-ol (8).** To an ice bath-cooled solution of  $Mg(TMP)_2$  (0.27 M in THF, 225 mL, 60.8 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) was added a THF (40 mL) solution of  $F_6$ naphthalene (**7**) (9.56 g, 40.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) at 0°C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h. To the reaction mixture was added an ice bath-cooled  $B(OMe)_3$  (22.6 mL, 202 mmol, 5 equiv.), then the resulting solution was warmed to room temperature. The reaction mixture was quenched with 1 M HCl aq. (~300 mL) and extracted with  $Et_2O$  (~200 mL × 2). The combined  $Et_2O$  extracts were washed with 1 M HCl aq. (~100 mL × 2), brine (~50 mL), dried over  $Na_2SO_4$ , and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration to give a brown solid. The brown solid was dissolved in THF (100 mL).  $H_2O_2$  (30% aqueous solution, 50 mL, 10 equiv.) was added dropwise to the solution. After being stirred for 30 min, brine (100 mL) was added to the reaction mixture. The resulting mixture was extracted with  $Et_2O$  (~150 mL × 3) and the combined  $Et_2O$  extracts were washed with brine (100 mL), dried over  $Na_2SO_4$ , and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration. The residual crude oil was dissolved in  $Et_2O$  (~150 mL). The resulting  $Et_2O$  was extracted with 0.4 M NaOH aq. (100 mL × 3). The combined aqueous extracts were acidified with 6 M HCl aq. (50 mL) and extract with  $Et_2O$  (150 mL × 3). The combined  $Et_2O$  extracts were washed with brine (~50 mL), dried over  $Na_2SO_4$ , and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration to give  $Et_2O$  complex of 3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoro-2-naphthalene-2-ol (**8**) (10.2 g, 40.5 mmol on crude) as a light brown solid. Analytical data were reported as 3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoro-2-naphthalene-2-ol (**8**) diethylether complex.  $^1H$  NMR (600 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.34 (bs, 1H), 7.18 (d,  $J=7.8$  Hz, 1H), 3.80 (q,  $J=7.2$  Hz, 2H), 1.36 (t,  $J=7.2$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (151 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  146.1 (d,  $J=13$  Hz), 144.8 (dm,  $J=262$  Hz), 141.1 (dm,  $J=257$  Hz), 140.8 (dm,  $J=253$  Hz), 140.7 (dd,  $J=249$  Hz, 13 Hz), 138.1 (dt,  $J=254$  Hz, 15 Hz), 137.3 (dt,  $J=251$  Hz, 15 Hz), 116.8 (d,  $J=16$  Hz), 105.74 (t,  $J=9$  Hz), 100.0, 66.4, 14.4.  $^{19}F$  NMR (565 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  -143.2 (dd,  $J=51.1$  Hz, 16.1 Hz, 1F), -148.3 (dtd,  $J=51.2$  Hz, 16.4 Hz, 5.1 Hz, 1F), -145.0 (t,  $J=16.7$  Hz, 1F), -157.5 (m, 1F), -158.2 (tm,  $J=16.9$  Hz, 1F), -161.1 (td,  $J=18.4$  Hz, 3.6 Hz, 1F). HRMS (APCI<sup>+</sup>): calcd. for  $C_{10}H_2F_6O$  [M]<sup>+</sup>: 252.0004; found: 252.0004. IR (neat,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 3240, 1650, 1463, 1398, 1373, 1293, 1191, 1071, 989. mp: 45–48°C.

**1-Bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoro-2-naphthalen-2-ol.** To a  $H_2O$  (120 mL) solution of KBr (12.1 g, 101 mmol, 2.5 equiv.) was added  $Br_2$  (2.3 mL, 44.5 mmol, 1.1 equiv.). To the resulting solution were further added THF (120 mL) and a THF (120 mL) solution of 3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoro-2-naphthalene-2-ol (10.2 g, 40.5 mmol on crude, 1.0 equiv) in this order. The reaction mixture was quenched with sat.  $Na_2SO_3$  aq. (~100 mL), acidified with 1 M HCl aq. (~200 mL), and extracted with  $Et_2O$  (~150 mL × 3). The combined  $Et_2O$  extracts were washed with brine (100 mL), dried over  $Na_2SO_4$ , and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration to give 1-bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoro-2-naphthalen-2-ol as a brown solid.  $^1H$  NMR (600 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  6.43 (s, 1H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (151 MHz,

$CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  144.4 (dm,  $J=254$  Hz), 144.1 (d,  $J=13.0$  Hz), 141.8 (dm,  $J=260$  Hz), 141.4 (dm,  $J=255$  Hz), 140.1 (dd,  $J=254$  Hz, 16 Hz), 139.3 (dd,  $J=253$  Hz, 15 Hz), 137.7 (dt,  $J=253$  Hz, 15 Hz), 115.0, 107.3, 95.3.  $^{19}F$  NMR (565 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  -141.3 (m, 1F), -142.2 (m, 1F), -145.3 (dm,  $J=68.3$  Hz, 1F), -151.7 (m, 1F), -153.9 (m, 1F), -157.5 (m, 1F). HRMS (ESI<sup>-</sup>): calcd. for  $C_{10}H_5BrF_6O$  [M-H]<sup>-</sup>: 328.9042; found: 328.9041. IR (neat,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 3404, 1654, 1529, 1465, 1448, 1389, 1313, 1249, 1194, 1084, 998, 832. mp: 101–103°C.

**1-Bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoro-2-methoxynaphthalene (9).** To a DMF (120 mL) suspension of 1-bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoronaphthalen-2-ol (13.4 g, 40.5 mmol on crude, 1.0 equiv.) and  $K_2CO_3$  (8.4 g, 61 mmol, 1.5 equiv.) was added MeI (3.8 mL, 61 mmol, 1.5 equiv.). The black mixture was stirred for 12 h. The resulting mixture was quenched with  $H_2O$  (~200 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate and hexane 10:1 (~150 mL × 3). The combined organic extracts were washed with sat.  $Na_2SO_3$  aq. (~100 mL),  $H_2O$  (150 mL × 2), brine (~150 mL), and dried over  $Na_2SO_4$ . The residual crude was purified by silica gel column chromatography using hexane to give the product 1-bromo-2-methoxy-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoronaphthalene (**9**) (12.4 g, 35.9 mmol, 89% yield from 1,2,3,4,5,6-hexafluoronaphthalene (**7**)) as a white solid.  $^1H$  NMR (600 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  4.08 (d,  $J=1.8$  Hz, 3H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (151 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  147.6 (d,  $J=13$  Hz), 144.3 (dm,  $J=266$  Hz), 143.2 (dd,  $J=256$  Hz, 13 Hz), 142.5 (dm,  $J=270$  Hz), 141.0 (dm,  $J=259$  Hz), 139.8 (dt,  $J=254$  Hz, 16 Hz), 138.4 (dt,  $J=256$  Hz, 15 Hz), 115.4 (d,  $J=7$  Hz), 109.2 (t,  $J=9$  Hz), 104.0, 61.8 (d,  $J=6$  Hz).  $^{19}F$  NMR (565 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  -139.0 (tm,  $J=16.4$  Hz, 1F), -141.5 (ddt,  $J=68.9$  Hz, 16.4 Hz, 4.52 Hz, 1F), -145.8 (dtm,  $J=18.5$  Hz, 4.6 Hz, 1F), -148.7 (m, 1F), -154.4 (tm,  $J=16.9$  Hz, 1F), -156.0 (t,  $J=18.9$  Hz, 1F). HRMS (ACPI<sup>+</sup>): calcd. for  $C_{10}H_3BrF_6O$  [M]<sup>+</sup>: 343.9266; found: 343.9266. IR (neat,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 1665, 1644, 1522, 1467, 1407, 1375, 1205, 1177, 1085, 998, 950, 837. mp: 52–53°C.

**3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-Dodecafluoro-2,2'-dimethoxy-1,1'-binaphthyl (10).** An anhydrous DMF (22 mL) suspension of 1-bromo-2-methoxy-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoronaphthalene (**9**) (12.4 g, 36.0 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and freshly activated copper powder (23 g, 360 mmol, 20 equiv.) was heated at 155°C. After being stirred for 30 min, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residual mixture was diluted with EtOAc (50 mL) after cooled to room temperature. The resulting suspension was passed via a pad of silica gel and washed with EtOAc (200 mL). The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure to give a yellow solid. The solid was recrystallized from hot hexane to give the product 3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-dodecafluoro-2,2'-bis(methoxy)-1,1'-binaphthyl (**10**) (8.9 g, 16.7 mmol, 93% yield) as a white crystal.  $^1H$  NMR (600 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  3.80 (d,  $J=2.1$  Hz, 6H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (151 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  146.9 (d,  $J=10$  Hz), 145.4 (dm,  $J=250$  Hz), 143.3 (dd,  $J=254$  Hz, 13 Hz), 142.6 (dm,  $J=256$  Hz), 141.6 (dm,  $J=256$  Hz), 139.3 (dt,  $J=253$  Hz, 16 Hz), 138.1 (dt,  $J=253$  Hz, 16 Hz), 116.9, 116.0, 108.4 (t,  $J=9$  Hz), 61.8 (d,  $J=7$  Hz).  $^{19}F$  NMR (565 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  -140.2 (dd,  $J=62.1$  Hz, 16.4 Hz, 2F), -143.6 (t,  $J=16.4$  Hz, 2F), -145.7 (dtd,  $J=63.0$  Hz, 16.4 Hz, 5.2 Hz, 2F), -150.4 (bs, 2F), -155.4 (t,  $J=18.1$  Hz, 2F), -157.1 (t,  $J=19.0$  Hz, 2F). HRMS (ACPI<sup>+</sup>): calcd. for  $C_{22}H_6F_{12}O_2$  [M]<sup>+</sup>: 530.0171; found: 530.0170. IR (neat,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 2953, 2930, 2852, 1666, 1643, 1522, 1495, 1461, 1404, 1376, 1279, 1254, 1205, 1174,

1111, 1077, 991, 954, 825. HPLC: DAICEL CHIRALCEL OD-3 4.6×250 mm, *n*-hexane 1.0 mL/min, 30°C, 254 nm, 6.4 min (minor) 7.3 min (minor), 99% ee.  $[\alpha]_D^{25}$  -12.2 (*c* = 0.52, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 99% ee) mp: 174–176°C. Activation of copper powder: To a suspension of copper (27.6 g, 431 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) in acetone (100 mL) was added iodine (1.8 g, 14.4 mmol, 0.03 equiv.) at room temperature. The suspension was stirred until the iodine color disappeared. To the mixture was added 12 M HCl aq. (100 mL). The mixture was filtered and washed with acetone (100 mL). The solid was dried in a desiccator under reduced atmosphere for 12 h.

**3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-Dodecafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl-2,2'-diol (F<sub>12</sub>BINOL, **5**)**<sup>31</sup>. To a CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (50 mL) solution of 3,3',4,4', 5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-dodecafluoro-2,2'-bis(methoxy)-1,1'-binaphthyl (**10**) (6.6 g, 12.5 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added BBr<sub>3</sub> (4.7 mL, 50 mmol, 4.0 equiv.) and the resulting mixture was stirred at 40°C for 12 h. After being cooled at -78°C, the resulting solution was carefully diluted with EtOH. The reaction mixture was quenched with H<sub>2</sub>O and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (50 mL×3). The combined CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> extracts were washed with brine (50 mL), passed via a pad of silica gel. The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure to give a gray solid. The residual crude solid was dissolved with Et<sub>2</sub>O (50 mL). The organic layer was extracted with 0.4 M NaOH aq. (30 mL×3). The combined aqueous extracts were acidified with 6 M HCl aq. (10 mL) and extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (30 mL×3). The combined Et<sub>2</sub>O extracts were washed with brine (~50 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration to give 2,2'-dihydroxy-3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-dodecafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl (F<sub>12</sub>BINOL, **5**) as a white solid. F<sub>12</sub>BINOL **5** was recrystallized from hot Et<sub>2</sub>O to give a colorless crystal of F<sub>12</sub>BINOL·*n*Et<sub>2</sub>O complex. The coordinated Et<sub>2</sub>O was removed at 60°C in vacuo for 12 h (6.1 g, 11.7 mmol, 94% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 5.56 (s, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 144.8 (dm, *J* = 263 Hz), 143.4 (d, *J* = 13 Hz), 142.6 (dm, *J* = 250 Hz), 141.8 (dm, *J* = 260 Hz), 139.5 (dm, *J* = 260 Hz, 2 peaks were overlapped), 137.6 (dt, *J* = 260 Hz, 14 Hz), 116.5, 108.3, 106.9 (m). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (565 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -140.2 (dd, *J* = 62.1 Hz, 19.0 Hz, 2F), -145.5~ -145.8 (m, 4F), -155.0 (tm, *J* = 19.0 Hz, 2F), -157.0 (dm, *J* = 17.3 Hz, 2F), -158.3 (td, *J* = 19.0 Hz, 3.5 Hz, 2F). HRMS (ESI<sup>-</sup>): calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>2</sub>F<sub>12</sub>O<sub>2</sub> [M-H]<sup>-</sup>: 500.9790; found: 500.9789. IR (neat, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3674, 3577, 3396, 1652, 1530, 1456, 1393, 1350, 1288, 1230, 1191, 1115, 1077, 992, 910. mp: 184–186°C.

**1-Bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoro-2-naphthaldehyde (12)**. To an acetone-dry ice bath-cooled solution of Mg(TMP)<sub>2</sub> (0.27 M in THF, 13.3 mL, 3.6 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) was added a THF (3 mL) solution of 8-bromo-1,2,3,4,5,6-hexafluoro naphthalene (945 mg, 3 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) at -78°C. After being stirred for 2 h, DMF (1.2 mL, 15 mmol, 5.0 equiv.) was added. After being stirred for 4 h, the reaction mixture was quenched with conc. HCl (~2 mL) and warmed to room temperature. The resulting mixture was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (~15 mL×2). The combined Et<sub>2</sub>O extracts were washed with brine (~15 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration. The residual crude was purified by silica gel column chromatography (0–5% EtOAc in hexane as an eluent) to give the 1-bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoro-2-naphthaldehyde (**12**) as a brown solid. <sup>1</sup>H

NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 10.43, (d, *J* = 1.0 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 187.9 (s), 145.6 (dd, *J* = 246 Hz, 13 Hz), 144.3 (dm, *J* = 251 Hz), 143.9 (dm, *J* = 259 Hz), 141.1 (dm, *J* = 263 Hz), 140.8 (dt, *J* = 260 Hz, 16 Hz), 140.3 (dt, *J* = 256 Hz, 16 Hz), 127.2 (d, *J* = 12 Hz), 116.2 (s), 114.4 (m, 2 peaks were overlapped). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (565 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -153.3 (tt, *J* = 17.9 Hz, 6.0 Hz, 1F), -141.2 (ddm, *J* = 69.1 Hz, 16.7 Hz, 1F), -142.8 (m, 1F), -143.7 (dtm, *J* = 66.8 Hz, 16.7 Hz, 1F), -148.9 (tm, *J* = 20.3 Hz, 1F), -153.7 (tm, *J* = 18.9 Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): calcd. for C<sub>11</sub>HBrF<sub>6</sub>O, [M]<sup>+</sup>: 341.9109; found: 341.9110. IR (neat, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3387, 2885, 1702, 1660, 1637, 1580, 1526, 1489, 1396, 1368, 1335, 1257, 1193, 1165, 1086, 999, 845, 806. mp: 68°C.

**(1-Bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoronaphthalen-2-yl)methanol (13)**. To an ice bath-cooled THF (15 mL) and MeOH (15 mL) solution of 1-bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoro-2-naphthaldehyde (**12**) was added NaBH<sub>4</sub> (136 mg, 3.6 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) at 0°C. After being stirred for 15 min, the reaction mixture was quenched with 1 M HCl aq. (~5 mL) and extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (~15 mL×2). The combined Et<sub>2</sub>O extracts were washed with brine (~15 mL), dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration. The residual crude was purified by silica gel column chromatography (0–10% EtOAc in hexane as an eluent) to give the product (1-bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoronaphthalen-2-yl)methanol (**13**) (558 mg, 1.4 mmol, 46% yield in 2 steps) as a white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 5.07 (dd, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2.8 Hz, 2H), 2.31 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 146.5 (dd, *J* = 254 Hz, 12 Hz), 143.5 (dm, *J* = 254 Hz), 143.4 (dm, *J* = 256 Hz), 141.0 (dm, *J* = 257 Hz), 139.9 (dt, *J* = 254 Hz, 15 Hz), 139.5 (dt, *J* = 259 Hz, 15 Hz), 132.6 (d, *J* = 17 Hz), 116.5 (m), 112.8 (m), 59.0 (d, *J* = 3 Hz). <sup>19</sup>F NMR (565 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -137.2 (tt, *J* = 16.7 Hz, 4.8 Hz, 1F), -137.8 (dm, *J* = 11.9 Hz, 1F), -142.6 (ddt, *J* = 69.1 Hz, 16.7 Hz, 4.8 Hz, 1F), -144.9 (dm, *J* = 70.3 Hz, 1F), -152.9 (tm, *J* = 19.1 Hz, 1F), -153.7 (m, 1F). HRMS (ACPI<sup>+</sup>): calcd. for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>3</sub>BrF<sub>6</sub>O, [M]<sup>+</sup>: 343.9266; found: 343.9266. IR (neat, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3258, 2960, 2925, 2856, 1730, 1664, 1643, 1581, 1526, 1494, 1401, 1248, 1167, 996. mp: 122–125°C.

**1-Bromo-2-((1-bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoronaphthalen-2-yl)methoxy)-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoronaphthalene (14a)**. To a THF (4 mL) solution of (1-bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoro naphthalen-2-yl)methanol (**13**) (146 mg, 0.42 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), 1-bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoronaphthalen-2-ol (140 g, 0.42 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), and PPh<sub>3</sub> (134 mg, 0.51 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) was added DIAD (270 μL, 0.51 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) at 0°C. The reaction mixture was stirred at 0°C for 1 h. The resulting suspension was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residual crude was dissolved in MeOH (5 mL) and purified by filtration to give the product 1-bromo-2-((1-bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoronaphthalen-2-yl)methoxy)-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoro naphthalene (**14a**) (238 mg, 0.36 mmol, 85% yield) as a white solid. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 5.71 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR could not be measured due to low solubility in any solvent. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (565 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ -135.8 (m, 1F), -135.9 (tm, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 1F), -138.2 (t, *J* = 16.7 Hz, 1F), -140.4 (ddm, *J* = 68.0 Hz, 17.9 Hz, 1F), -142.2 (ddm, *J* = 69.1 Hz, 16.7 Hz, 1F), -144.6 (dtm, *J* = 69.1 Hz, 17.9 Hz, 1F), -145.0 (dtm, *J* = 69.1 Hz, 16.7 Hz, 1F), -147.0 (m, 1F), -151.6 (t, *J* = 17.9 Hz, 1F), -153.1 (tm, *J* = 17.9 Hz, 1F), -153.4 (tm, *J* = 17.9 Hz, 1F), -154.6 (t,

$J=17.9$  Hz, 1F). HRMS (APCI+): calcd. for  $C_{21}H_3Br_2F_{12}O$ ,  $[M]^+$ : 655.8275; found: 655.8275. IR (neat,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 1667, 1647, 1527, 1507, 1496, 1472, 1458, 1439, 1412, 1375, 1339, 1249, 1187, 1084, 1025, 1000, 942, 836, 820. mp: 210°C. Anal. calcd. for  $C_{21}H_3Br_2F_{12}O$ : C, 38.33; H, 0.31; Br, 24.29; F, 34.65. found: C, 38.05; H, 0.43; Br, 24.25; F, 34.46.

**1,2,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14-Dodecafluoro-4H-benzo[*f*] naphtha[2,1-*c*]chromene (15a).** An anhydrous DMF (4 mL) suspension of 1-bromo-2-(((1-bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoronaphthalen-2-yl)methoxy)-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoronaphthalene (14a) (526 mg, 0.8 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and freshly activated copper powder (508 mg, 8 mmol, 10 equiv.) was heated at 150°C. After being stirred for 2.5 h, the reaction mixture was filtered via a pad of Celite. The filtrate was dissolved in  $Et_2O$  (15 mL) and washed with 1 M HCl aq. (~10 mL × 3) and brine (~10 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over  $Na_2SO_4$  and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration to give 1,2,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14-dodecafluoro-4H-benzo[*f*]naphtha[2,1-*c*]chromene (15a) as a white solid.  $^1H$  NMR (600 MHz, acetone- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  5.93 (d,  $J=13.8$  Hz, 1H), 5.15 (d,  $J=13.8$  Hz, 1H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (151 MHz, acetone- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  148.8 (d,  $J=13$  Hz), 145.0 (dm,  $J=269$  Hz), 143.6 (dm,  $J=254$  Hz, 3 peaks were overlapped), 143.2 (dm,  $J=257$  Hz), 141.8 (dm,  $J=260$  Hz), 141.6 (dm,  $J=250$  Hz), 140.4 (dd,  $J=251$  Hz, 15 Hz), 138.9 (dm,  $J=260$  Hz, 3 peaks were overlapped), 137.8 (dt,  $J=250$  Hz, 16 Hz), 127.9 (d,  $J=17$  Hz), 120, 116.2 (m), 115.9 (m), 113.1, 112.0 (m), 107.2 (m), 65.0.  $^{19}F$  NMR (565 MHz, acetone- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  -137.7 (m, 1F), -139.0 (m, 1F), -141.2 (dd,  $J=66.8$  Hz, 16.7 Hz, 1F), -145.3 (dd,  $J=68.0$  Hz, 17.9 Hz, 1F), -146.7 (m, 1F), -147.7 (dtm,  $J=66.8$  Hz, 15.5 Hz, 1F), -147.9 (dtm,  $J=66.8$  Hz, 15.5 Hz, 1F), -157.7 (t,  $J=19.1$  Hz, 1F), -157.8 (m, 1F), -158.3 (tm,  $J=16.7$  Hz, 1F), -158.4 (tm,  $J=17.9$  Hz, 1F), -160.5 (t,  $J=19.1$  Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI-): calcd. for  $C_{21}H_2F_{12}O$ ,  $[M+I]^-$ : 624.8964; found: 624.8963. IR (neat,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 1668, 1645, 1532, 1500, 1457, 1438, 1410, 1380, 1345, 1248, 1172, 1118, 1090, 1077, 1026, 1009, 988, 972, 898, 853. mp: 220–222°C.

**2'-(Bromomethyl)-3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-dodecafluoro-[1,1'-binaphthalen]-2-ol (16a)**<sup>43</sup>. To a  $CH_2Cl_2$  (2.4 mL) solution of 1,2,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14-dodecafluoro-4H-benzo[*f*] naphtha[2,1-*c*]chromene (15a) was added  $BBr_3$  (227  $\mu$ L, 2.4 mmol, 3.0 equiv.) and the resulting mixture was stirred at 40°C for 18 h. After being cooled at -78°C, the resulting solution was carefully diluted with EtOH. The reaction mixture was quenched with  $H_2O$  and extracted with  $CH_2Cl_2$  (~10 mL × 2). The combined  $CH_2Cl_2$  extracts were washed with brine (~10 mL), dried over  $Na_2SO_4$ , and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration. The residual crude was purified by silica gel column chromatography (0–15% EtOAc in hexane as an eluent) to give the product 2'-(bromomethyl)-3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-dodecafluoro-[1,1'-binaphthalen]-2-ol (16a) (339 mg, 0.58 mmol, 73% yield in 2 steps) as a brown oil.  $^1H$  NMR (600 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  5.97 (bs, 1H), 4.27 (dd,  $J=10.5$  Hz, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 4.15 (dd,  $J=10.5$  Hz, 2.2 Hz, 1H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (151 MHz, acetone- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  146.6 (dd,  $J=251$  Hz, 12 Hz), 145.2 (dm,  $J=251$  Hz), 145.2 (d,  $J=14$  Hz), 144.0 (dm,  $J=249$  Hz), 143.5 (dm,  $J=244$  Hz), 142.4 (dm,  $J=246$  Hz), 141.6 (dm,  $J=251$  Hz), 141.5 (dm,  $J=255$  Hz), 140.8 (dm,  $J=248$  Hz), 139.4 (dm,  $J=251$  Hz, 3 peaks were overlapped), 137.3 (dt,  $J=250$  Hz, 14 Hz), 129.4 (d,  $J=14$  Hz), 126.4, 117.2 (m), 116.4 (m), 112.0 (tm,  $J=9$  Hz), 110.8, 106.3 (m), 22.2.

$^{19}F$  NMR (565 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  -139.3 (m, 1F), -139.5 (dd,  $J=62.0$  Hz, 19.1 Hz, 1F), -141.5 (dd,  $J=63.2$  Hz, 17.9 Hz, 1F), -142.9 (t,  $J=16.7$  Hz, 1F), -143.0 (t,  $J=15.5$  Hz, 1F), -145.0 (dtm,  $J=62.0$  Hz, 16.1 Hz, 1F), -145.3 (dtm,  $J=62.0$  Hz, 16.1 Hz, 1F), -153.5 (t,  $J=17.9$  Hz, 1F), -154.3 (tm,  $J=15.5$  Hz, 1F), -154.9 (tm,  $J=17.9$  Hz, 1F), -156.3 (m, 1F), -157.7 (t,  $J=19.1$  Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI-): calcd. for  $C_{21}H_2BrF_{12}O$ ,  $[M-H]^-$ : 576.9103; found: 576.9103. IR (neat,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 3578, 1647, 1527, 1495, 1458, 1388, 1185, 1114, 1075, 1022, 994, 927, 869, 820.

**1-Bromo-2-(((1-bromonaphthalen-2-yl)oxy)methyl)-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoronaphthalene (14b).** To a THF (37 mL) solution of (1-bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoronaphthalen-2-yl) methanol (13) (1.3 g, 3.7 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), 1-bromonaphthalen-2-ol (990 mg, 4.4 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) and  $PPh_3$  (1.2 g, 4.4 mmol, 1.2 equiv.) was added DIAD (953  $\mu$ L, 4.4 mmol, 1.2 equiv.). The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h. The resulting suspension was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residual crude was dissolved in MeOH (20 mL) and purified by filtration to give the product 1-bromo-2-(((1-bromonaphthalen-2-yl)oxy)methyl)-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoronaphthalene (14b) (1.7 g, 3.1 mmol, 83% yield) as a white solid.  $^1H$  NMR (600 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  8.23 (d,  $J=8.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d,  $J=8.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.82 (d,  $J=8.3$  Hz, 1H), 7.59 (tm,  $J=7.7$  Hz, 1H), 7.45 (tm,  $J=7.5$  Hz, 1H), 7.44 (d,  $J=8.9$  Hz, 1H), 5.61 (d,  $J=2.8$  Hz, 2H).  $^{13}C$  NMR could not be measured due to low solubility in any solvent.  $^{19}F$  NMR (565 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  -136.2 (m, 1F), -136.4 (tm,  $J=16.7$  Hz, 1F), -142.6 (ddm,  $J=69.1$  Hz, 16.7 Hz, 1F), -144.9 (dtm,  $J=69.1$  Hz, 17.6 Hz, 1F), -152.4 (t,  $J=17.9$  Hz, 1F), -153.6 (tm,  $J=19.1$  Hz, 1F). HRMS (APCI+): calcd. for  $C_{21}H_8Br_2F_6O$ ,  $[M]^+$ : 547.8841; found: 547.8841. IR (neat,  $cm^{-1}$ ): 2924, 2854, 1748, 1715, 1698, 1667, 1647, 1625, 1594, 1559, 1544, 1527, 1507, 1496, 1458, 1421, 1375, 1348, 1339, 1261, 1252, 1240, 1181, 1045, 1025, 998, 906, 824. mp: 238°C. Anal. calcd. for  $C_{21}H_8Br_2F_6O$ : C, 45.85; H, 1.47; Br, 29.05; F, 20.72. found: C, 46.00; H, 1.47; Br, 29.12; F, 20.69.

**5,6,7,8,9,10-Hexafluoro-4H-benzo[*f*]naphtha[2,1-*c*]chromene (15b).** An anhydrous DMF (30 mL) suspension of 1-bromo-2-(((1-bromonaphthalen-2-yl)oxy)methyl)-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoro naphthalene (14b) (3.3 g, 6 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and freshly activated copper powder (3.8 g, 60 mmol, 10 equiv.) was heated at 150°C. After being stirred for 2.5 h, the reaction mixture was filtered via a pad of Celite. The filtrate was dissolved in  $Et_2O$  (~50 mL) and washed with 1 M HCl aq. (~50 mL × 3) and brine (~50 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over  $Na_2SO_4$  and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration to give 5,6,7,8,9,10-hexafluoro-4H-benzo[*f*] naphtha[2,1-*c*]chromene (15b) as a white solid.  $^1H$  NMR (600 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.86 (m, 2H), 7.41 (m, 2H), 7.34 (m, 2H), 5.59 (d,  $J=13.8$  Hz, 1H), 4.74 (d,  $J=13.8$  Hz, 1H).  $^{13}C$  NMR (151 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  155.1, 150.0 (d,  $J=12$  Hz), 142.8 (dm,  $J=259$  Hz), 142.5 (dm,  $J=253$  Hz), 141.2 (dm,  $J=259$  Hz), 139.2 (dm,  $J=257$  Hz, 2 peaks were overlapped), 131.7 (d,  $J=7$  Hz), 131.4, 129.8, 128.7, 128.6 (d,  $J=17$  Hz), 126.9, 124.5, 122.8 (d,  $J=6$  Hz), 122.1, 117.9, 117.6, 114.7 (d,  $J=13$  Hz), 112.2 (m), 63.9.  $^{19}F$  NMR (565 MHz,  $CDCl_3$ ):  $\delta$  -128.7 (t,  $J=16.7$  Hz, 1F), -144.7 (dd,  $J=62.0$  Hz, 19.1 Hz, 1F), -145.5 (d,  $J=19.1$  Hz, 1F), -146.0 (dtm,  $J=62.0$  Hz, 15.5 Hz, 1F), -155.5 (t,  $J=19.1$  Hz, 1F), -156.4 (tm,  $J=19.1$  Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI-): calcd. for  $C_{21}H_8F_6O$ ,  $[M+H]^+$ :

391.0552; found: 391.0552. IR (neat,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 1667, 1640, 1598, 1567, 1500, 1416, 1376, 1247, 1226, 1168, 1099, 1018, 1003, 981, 935, 867. mp: 197°C.

**2'-(Bromomethyl)-3',4',5',6',7',8'-hexafluoro-[1,1'-binaphthalen]-2-ol (16b)**<sup>43</sup>. To a  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (18 mL) solution of 5,6,7,8,9,10-hexafluoro-4*H*-benzo[*f*]naphtha[2,1-*c*] chromene (**15b**) was added  $\text{BBr}_3$  (1.7 mL, 18 mmol, 3.0 equiv.), and the resulting solution was stirred at 40°C for 18 h. After being cooled at -78°C, the resulting solution was carefully diluted with EtOH. The reaction mixture was quenched with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and extracted with  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (~50 mL  $\times$  2). The combined  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  extracts were washed with brine (50 mL), dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration. The residual crude was purified by silica gel column chromatography (0-15% EtOAc in hexane as an eluent) to give the product 2'-(bromomethyl)-3',4',5',6',7',8'-hexafluoro-[1,1'-binaphthalen]-2-ol (**16b**) (2.37 g, 5.0 mmol, 84% yield in two steps) as a white solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz, acetone- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  8.72 (bs, 1H), 7.95 (d,  $J=8.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d,  $J=7.6$  Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d,  $J=8.9$  Hz, 1H), 7.26 (ddd,  $J=7.9$  Hz, 7.0 Hz, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (ddd,  $J=8.3$  Hz, 6.9 Hz, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.35 (ddd,  $J=45.2$  Hz, 10.5 Hz, 1.5 Hz, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz, acetone- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  152.3 (d,  $J=3$  Hz), 147.2 (dd,  $J=251$  Hz, 127 Hz), 143.8 (dm,  $J=254$  Hz), 143.7 (dm,  $J=254$  Hz), 141.3 (dm,  $J=254$  Hz), 139.3 (dt,  $J=253$  Hz, 16 Hz), 139.1 (dt,  $J=250$  Hz, 16 Hz), 133.7 (d,  $J=3$  Hz), 130.8, 129.9 (d,  $J=13$  Hz), 128.6 (2 peaks were overlapped), 128.3, 127.0, 123.7, 123.3, 118.0, 117.8 (d,  $J=6$  Hz), 115.2 (d,  $J=3$  Hz), 112.4 (t,  $J=9$  Hz), 22.6.  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz, acetone- $d_6$ ):  $\delta$  -140.5 (d,  $J=14.3$  Hz, 1F), -142.4 (t,  $J=16.7$  Hz, 1F), -146.2 (dd,  $J=62.0$  Hz, 16.7 Hz, 1F), -148.2 (dtm,  $J=64.4$  Hz, 16.7 Hz, 1F), -156.9 (t,  $J=19.1$  Hz, 1F), -158.6 (tm,  $J=16.7$  Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI+): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_9\text{BrF}_6\text{O}$ , [M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 492.9633; found: 492.9633. IR (neat,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3423, 3060, 2958, 2925, 2854, 1663, 1646, 1626, 1590, 1495, 1468, 1436, 1410, 1386, 1270, 1251, 1220, 1188, 1174, 1145, 1132, 1098, 1042, 1023, 987, 955, 903, 851, 814. mp: 132-135°C.

**(R)-3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-Dodecafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl-2,2'-diol ((R)-5)**. The optical resolution of the titled compound was performed in accordance with procedure of that of BINOL.<sup>44,45</sup> An acetonitrile (55 mL) suspension of  $\text{F}_{12}\text{BINOL}$  ((±)-**5**) (7.0 g, 13.9 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) and *N*-benzylcinchonidinium chloride (**17**) (3.3 g, 7.6 mmol, 1.1 equiv.) was heated at 80°C and stirred for 4 h. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h and then cooled to 0°C. The mixture stood for 2 h. The mixture was filtered and washed with  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$ . The solid was recrystallized from MeOH. The crystal was dissolved in  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  (150 mL) and 6 M HCl aq. (100 mL). After being stirred for 60 min, the mixture was extracted with  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  (~100 mL  $\times$  3). The organic layer was extracted with 0.4 M NaOH aq. (~50 mL  $\times$  3). The combined aqueous extracts were acidified with 6 M HCl aq. (50 mL) and extracted with  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  (~100 mL  $\times$  3). The combined  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  extracts were washed with brine (~100 mL), dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration. The residual oil was dried at 60°C in vacuo to give (*R*)-2,2'-dihydroxy-3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-dodecafluoro-1,1'-binaphthyl ((*R*)- $\text{F}_{12}\text{BINOL}$ , **5**) as a white solid (2.7 g, 5.4 mmol, 77% yield, 99% ee). Enantiomeric ratio was determined based on Piers' procedure.<sup>31</sup>  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25}$  -28.6 ( $c=0.61$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 99% ee).

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**(R)-4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-Decafluoro-3,3'-diphenyl-1,1'-bi-2-naphthol ((R)-18)**<sup>46</sup>. To a mixture of  $\text{PdCl}_2(\text{PCy}_3)_2$  (42 mg, 0.56 mmol, 5 mol%) and (*R*)- $\text{F}_{12}\text{BINOL}$  **5** (568 mg, 1.13 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) under argon atmosphere was added a THF solution of  $\text{PhMgBr}$  (1.0 M, 6.8 mL, 6.8 mmol, 6.0 equiv.) at -78°C in THF (1 mL). After evacuated and refilled with argon twice, the reaction mixture was warmed to 60°C and stirred for 36 h. After the resulting mixture was cooled to room temperature, 6 M HCl aq. (~5 mL) was added. The resulting mixture was extracted with  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  (20 mL  $\times$  3), and the combined  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  extracts were washed with 1 M HCl aq. (10 mL  $\times$  2) and brine (20 mL), dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration. The residual crude was purified by silica gel column chromatography (0-10% acetone in hexane as an eluent) to give the product (*R*)-4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-decafluoro-3,3'-diphenyl-1,1'-bi-2-naphthol, ((*R*)- $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{F}_{10}\text{BINOL}$  **18**) (544.2 mg, 0.88 mmol, 78%) as a brown solid.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.5-7.6 (m, 10H), 5.51 (bs, 2H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  140.1 (dt,  $J=253$  Hz, 16 Hz), 137.0 (dt,  $J=250$  Hz, 16 Hz), 130.3-130.7 (m), 129.4-129.8 (m), 128.6, 120.4 (bs), 118.3 (d,  $J=17$  Hz), 107.2 (bs), 106.9 (t,  $J=11$  Hz).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  -115.0 (d,  $J=74.0$  Hz, 1F), -144.4 (dt,  $J=74.0$  Hz, 16.9 Hz, 1F), -146.7 (t,  $J=16.2$  Hz, 1F), -155.1 (t,  $J=16.8$  Hz, 1F), -160.7 (t,  $J=19.0$  Hz, 1F). HRMS (ESI-): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{12}\text{F}_{10}\text{O}_2$  [M-H]<sup>-</sup>: 617.0605; found: 617.0604. IR (neat  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3530, 1669, 1630, 1602, 1519, 1495, 1411, 1384, 1350, 1275, 1227, 1162, 1091, 1017, 942. HPLC: DAICEL CHIRALPAK AD-3 4.6  $\times$  250 mm, *n*-hexane:2-PrOH 90:10 1.0 mL/min, 30°C, 254 nm, 6.8 min (minor) 8.1 min (minor), 99% ee.  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25}$  +22.57 ( $c=0.20$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 99% ee). mp: Due to the decomposition of titled compound at 110°C, mp could not be determined.

**(R)-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>F<sub>10</sub>BINOL-derived phosphoric acid (R)-19**. To a pyridine (3.5 mL) solution of (*R*)- $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{F}_{10}\text{BINOL}$  **18** (570 mg, 0.9 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added  $\text{POCl}_3$  (164  $\mu\text{L}$ , 1.8 mmol, 2.0 equiv.) at 0°C. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature. After being stirred for 12 h, the resulting mixture was quenched  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (3 mL) at 0°C, acidified with 12 M HCl aq. (5 mL), and extracted with  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  (10 mL  $\times$  3). The combined  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  extracts were washed with 6 M HCl aq. (10 mL  $\times$  2) and brine (20 mL), dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , and concentrated under reduced pressure after filtration. The residual crude was purified by Silica gel 60 extra pure (Cat. No. 107754 Merck KgaA) column chromatography (10-50%  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$  in hexane as an eluent) to give chiral phosphoric acid (*R*)-**19** as a brown solid (224 mg, 0.48 mmol, 54%).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR (600 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):  $\delta$  7.73 (bs, 1H), 7.39 (bd,  $J=6.9$  Hz, 4H), 7.26 (bs, 6H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (151 MHz,  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ):  $\delta$  154.9 (d,  $J=262$  Hz), 145.4, 142.6 (dm,  $J=262$  Hz), 142.1 (dm,  $J=263$  Hz), 140.2 (dm,  $J=261$  Hz), 138.5 (dm,  $J=259$  Hz), 130.6, 128.9, 128.7, 128.5, 122.0 (d,  $J=17$  Hz), 119.8 (m), 114.8, 109.5 (m).  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR (565 MHz,  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ):  $\delta$  -111.3 (d,  $J=78.6$  Hz, 2F), -140.8 (bs, 2F), -142.3 (d,  $J=77.9$  Hz, 2F), -155.9 (t,  $J=18.5$  Hz, 2F), -155.8 (t,  $J=18.5$  Hz, 2F).  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR (243 MHz,  $\text{CDCl}_3$ ): 2.50 (s). HRMS (ESI-): calcd. for  $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{11}\text{F}_{11}\text{O}_4\text{P}$  [M-H]<sup>-</sup>: 679.0163; found: 679.0161. IR (neat,  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ): 3383, 1664, 1618, 1523, 1479, 1379, 1208, 1094, 1017, 873.  $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25}$  -78.04 ( $c=0.85$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 99% ee). mp: Due to the decomposition of titled compound at 340°C, mp could not be determined.

**Sodium (*R*)-F<sub>12</sub>BINOL phosphate.** *Preparation of BnOPOCl<sub>2</sub> solution:* To a toluene (1.0 mL) solution of POCl<sub>3</sub> (93 μL, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added dropwise a toluene (1.0 mL) solution of NEt<sub>3</sub> (139 μL, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and BnOH (103 μL, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) at 0 °C, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 6 h. *Preparation of solution of sodium F<sub>12</sub>binaphtholate:* To a THF (1 mL) suspension of NaH (90 mg 60% in oil, 2.2 mmol, 2.2 equiv.) was added a THF (1.0 mL) solution of (*R*)-F<sub>12</sub>BINOL **5** (502 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) at 0 °C, and the resulting solution was stirred for 2 h. *Synthesis of sodium (*R*)-F<sub>12</sub>BINOL phosphate:* To a toluene solution of BnOPOCl<sub>2</sub> was added the THF solution of sodium F<sub>12</sub>binaphtholate. After being stirred for 12 h, the mixture was passed via a pad of Celite and the filtrate was evaporated. The residual oil was dissolved in acetone (1.0 mL), and NaI (150 mg, 1.0 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added. After being stirred for 30 min, organic solvent was evacuated and residual crude mixture was purified by silica-gel column chromatography (10~80% acetone in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> as an eluent) to give a product as sodium (*R*)-F<sub>12</sub>BINOL phosphate (400 mg, 0.69 mmol, 69% yield). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 146.0~137.0 (m), 116.4, 108.6. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (565 MHz, acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ -141.5 (t, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 2F), -142.7 (dd, *J* = 65.6 Hz, 16.0 Hz, 2F), 147.9 (dm, *J* = 65.6 Hz, 2F), -152.4 (m, 2F), -157.9 (m, 2F), -159.5 (m, 2F). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (243 MHz, acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ 4.81 (s). HRMS (ESI<sup>-</sup>): calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>F<sub>12</sub>O<sub>4</sub>PNa [M-Na]<sup>-</sup>: 562.9348; found: 562.9346. IR (neat, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 1701, 1667, 1529, 1500, 1481, 1431, 1384, 129, 1187, 1112, 1080, 993, 838. [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> -113.7 (*c* = 1.1, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 99% ee). mp: Due to the decomposition of titled compound at 130 °C, mp could not be determined.

**(*R*)-F<sub>12</sub>BINOL-derived phosphoric acid (*R*)-20.** To a CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> solution (2.0 mL) of sodium (*R*)-F<sub>12</sub>BINOL phosphate (56 mg, 0.1 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) was added Amberlyst 15 hydrogen form (100 mg). After being stirred for 30 min, the resulting suspension was filtered and the filtrate was evaporated to give a product as F<sub>12</sub>BINOL-derived phosphoric acid (*R*)-20 (51 mg, 0.09 mmol, 94% yield). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 11.39 (bs). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 147.0~137.0 (m), 116.2, 115.4, 109.7. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (565 MHz, acetone-*d*<sub>6</sub>): δ -140.05 (dd, *J* = 66.6 Hz, 15.5 Hz, 2F), -140.6 (t, *J* = 15.5 Hz, 2F), -147.0 (dt, *J* = 66.0 Hz, 14.2 Hz, 2F), -153.3 (m, 2F), -156.3 (m, 2F), -157.6 (t, *J* = 19.0 Hz, 2F). <sup>31</sup>P NMR (243 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 2.25 (s). HRMS (ESI<sup>-</sup>): calcd. for C<sub>20</sub>HF<sub>12</sub>O<sub>4</sub>P [M-H]<sup>-</sup>: 562.9348; found: 562.9346. IR (neat, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3383, 1664, 1618, 1523, 1479, 1379, 1208, 1094, 1017, 873. [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> -132.30 (*c* = 0.44, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 99% ee). mp: Due to the decomposition of titled compound at 160 °C, mp could not be determined.

### General Procedure for (*R*)-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>F<sub>10</sub>BINOL Phosphoric Acid Catalyzed Imino-Ene Reaction

To a toluene (1.0 mL) solution of α-methylene tetralin (**24**) (29 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) and F<sub>10</sub>BINOL phosphoric acid (*R*)-**19** (3.4 mg, 0.005 mmol, 2.5 mol%) was added *N*-Fmoc imine **23** (65.5 mg, 0.2 mmol, 1.0 equiv.) at 40 °C. After being stirred for 10 min, the solution was diluted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (2 mL), and the diluted solution was directly subjected onto silica gel column for purification. The mixture was purified by silica-gel column chromatography eluted with 10% EtOAc in hexane to give a product (*R*)-9-fluorenyl)methyl-1,3-diphenylbut-3-enylcarbamate (**25**) (92 mg, 0.194 mmol, 97% yield, 80% ee (*R*)).

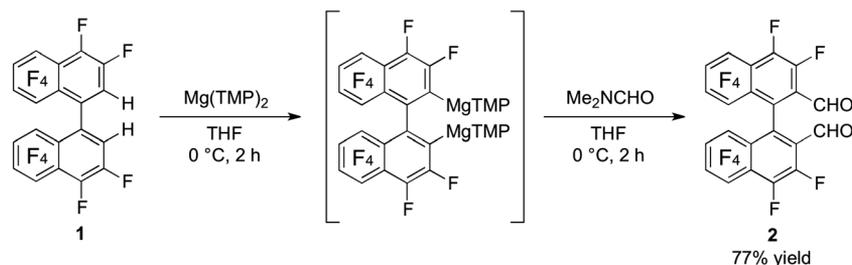
**(*R*)-(9-Fluorenyl)methyl-2-(3,4-dihydronaphthalen-1-yl)-1-phenylethyl carbamate (**25**).** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 7.8-7.0 (m, 17H), 5.76 (bs, 1H), 5.2-4.7 (m, 2H), 4.4-3.9 (m, 3H), 3.0-2.5 (m, 4H), 2.17 (bs, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ 155.8, 144.1, 142.6, 141.4, 136.9, 134.2, 128.7, 128.2, 127.9, 127.8, 127.5, 127.14, 127.13, 126.8, 126.4, 125.2, 122.7, 120.1, 66.7, 54.2, 47.4, 40.8, 28.4, 23.2. HRMS (ESI<sup>+</sup>): calcd. for C<sub>31</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>[M+Na]<sup>+</sup>: 494.2091; found: 494.2090. IR (neat, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3408, 3327, 3063, 2936, 2882, 2829, 1704, 1508, 1450, 1330, 1246, 1130, 1033. UHPLC: DAICEL CHIRALPAK IB-3 2.1 × 150 mm, *n*-hexane:2-PrOH = 90:10, 0.5 mL/min, 40 °C, 266 nm, 3.44 min (major) 7.85 (minor), 80% ee. [α]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup> +10.2 (*c* = 0.81, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 80% ee). mp: 141 °C.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

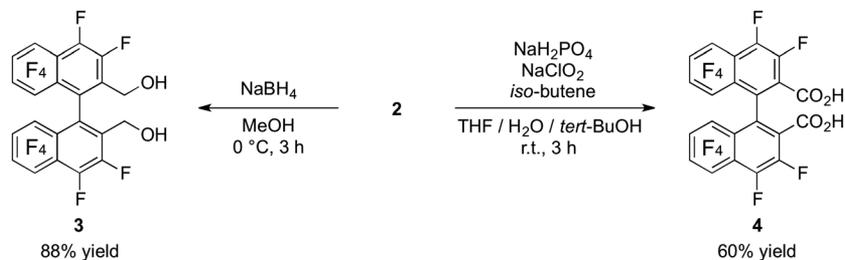
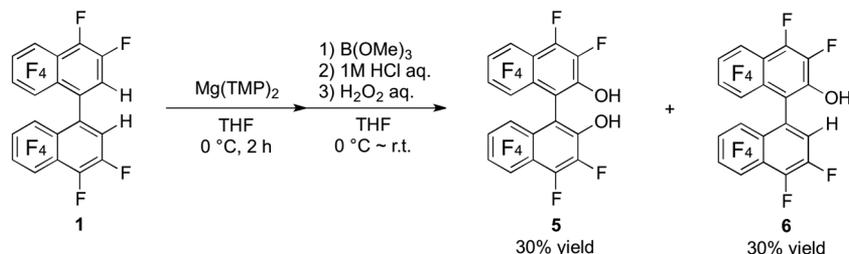
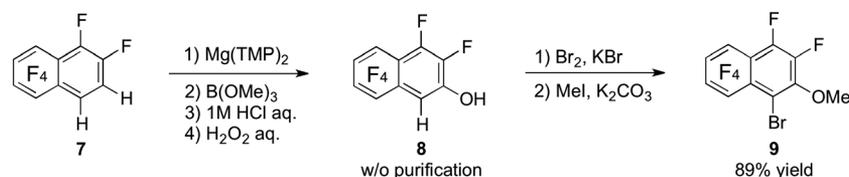
### Syntheses of 2,2'-Functionalized F<sub>12</sub>Binaphthyl Derivatives

The 3,3',4,4',5,5',6,6',7,7',8,8'-dodecafluoro-1,1'-binaphthalene (F<sub>12</sub>binaphthalene, **1**) was readily prepared from commercially available octafluoronaphthalene based on a reported procedure.<sup>31</sup> In the pioneering work by Piers and co-workers,<sup>31</sup> selective functionalization at the 2,2'-position of **1** was achieved by the deprotonation using the poorly reducing, non-nucleophilic base lithium 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine (LiTMP) in the presence of tributyltin chloride as an electrophile. The labile fluoroaryl lithium compound rapidly undergoes stannylation reaction at low temperature such as -78 °C. In this context, we chose Mg(TMP)<sub>2</sub> as base.<sup>41,42,47-50</sup> We expected that since Mg(TMP)<sub>2</sub> has been known as a thermally stable base, its magnesiation strategy for fluoroaryls may open up to the reactions of thermally robust fluoroaryl amido Grignard reagents with a variety of electrophiles.<sup>51,52</sup>

At first, we examined the magnesiation of **1** via the treatment of Mg(TMP)<sub>2</sub> in formylation reaction using *N,N*-dimethylformamide (DMF) as an electrophile (Scheme 1). We found that the magnesiation of **1** readily proceeded at 0 °C followed by the reaction with DMF to give the



**Scheme 1.** Magnesiation of F<sub>12</sub>binaphthalene **1** with Mg(TMP)<sub>2</sub><sup>a</sup> followed by the reaction with *N,N*-dimethylformamide. <sup>a</sup>Mg(TMP)<sub>2</sub> was prepared from LiTMP (2 equiv) and MgBr<sub>2</sub> (1 equiv).

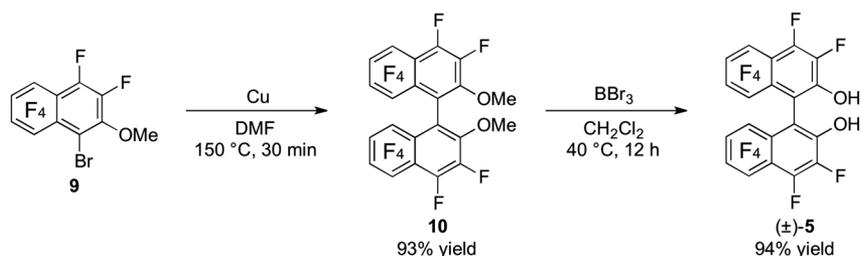
Scheme 2. Derivatizations of  $F_{12}$ binaphthalene-2,2'-dicarbaldehyde **2**.Scheme 3. Magnesiumation of  $F_{12}$ binaphthalene **1** with  $Mg(TMP)_2$  in borylation reaction.Scheme 4. Magnesiumation of  $F_6$ naphthalene **7** with  $Mg(TMP)_2$  in borylation reaction with trimethyl borate and its derivatization.

$F_{12}$ binaphthalene-2,2'-dicarbaldehyde **2** in good yield. Compound **2** could be used to install acidic functionalities at the 2,2'-positions (Scheme 2). For instance, treatment with  $NaBH_4$  in MeOH led to  $F_{12}$ binaphthalene-2,2'-dimethanol **3** in high yield. The Pinnick oxidation of **2** gave  $F_{12}$ binaphthalene-2,2'-dicarboxylic acid **4** in moderate yield.

Encouraged by the magnesiumation of **1** with  $Mg(TMP)_2$  in formylation reaction, we examined this method in borylation reaction to synthesize 2,2'-dihydroxy- $F_{12}$ binaphthyl ( $F_{12}$ BINOL, **5**). Piers and colleagues reported the synthesis of  $F_{12}$ BINOL,<sup>31</sup> in which was the key to synthesizing  $D_2$  symmetric homochiral bromoborane dimer via stannylation of **1**, followed by borylation with  $BBr_3$  at high temperature. We envisioned that  $F_{12}$ BINOL **5** could be obtained more efficiently if 2,2'-borylation of **1** proceeded via the magnesiumation

of **1** with  $Mg(TMP)_2$ . We examined the direct borylation of **1** with trimethyl borate as an electrophile in THF at 0 °C. However, the desired 2,2'-disubstituted compounds **5** was obtained in 30% yield since the 2-monosubstituted compound **6** was generated as an inseparable mixture (Scheme 3).

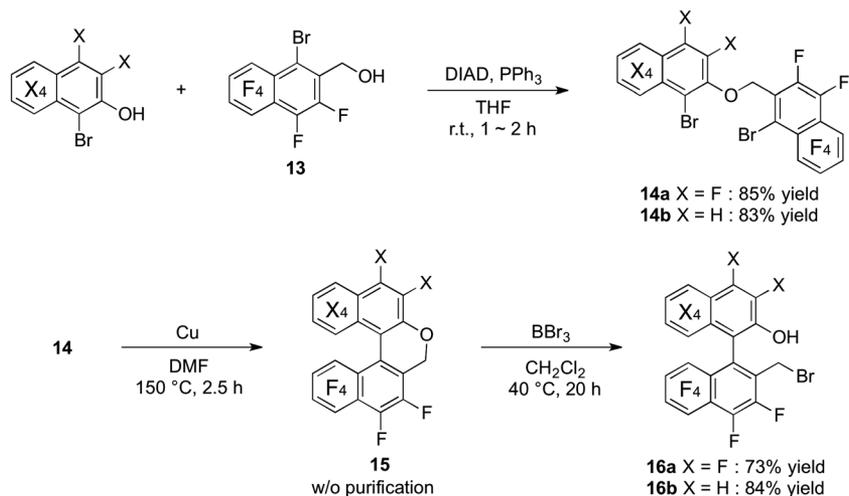
To explore the applicability of  $Mg(TMP)_2$ , we next examined the magnesiumation of **7** and subsequent trapping with trimethyl borate (Scheme 4). Quenching with 1M HCl aq. followed by the oxidation with aqueous hydrogen peroxide revealed smooth directed borylation, and  $F_6$ naphthalene-2-ol **8** was obtained in quantitative yield. To establish the practical method for  $F_{12}$ BINOL synthesis, compound **8** was transformed to a 1-bromo-2-methoxy  $F_6$ naphthalene **9**. Fortunately, 2-methoxy- $F_{12}$ binaphthyl compound **10** was efficiently synthesized by copper-mediated coupling of **9** in

Scheme 5. Synthesis of  $F_{12}$ BINOL via Ullman coupling.

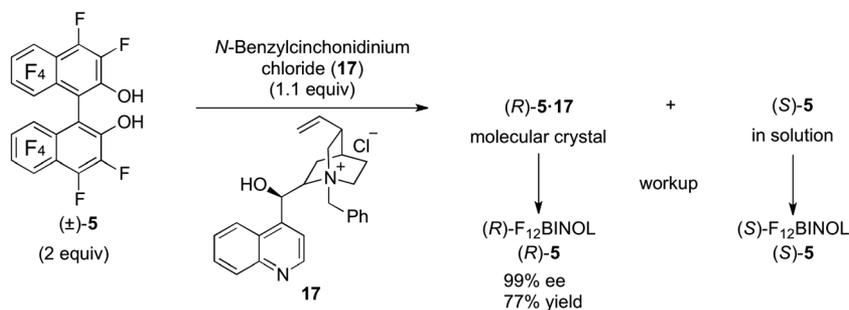
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**Scheme 6.** Application of magnesiation using  $\text{Mg}(\text{TMP})_2$  to synthesize  $\text{F}_6$ naphthalenyl methanol **13**.



**Scheme 7.** Synthesis of unsymmetric  $\text{F}_6$ - and  $\text{F}_{12}$ binaphthyl compounds **16**.



**Scheme 8.** Optical resolution of  $\text{F}_{12}$ BINOL.

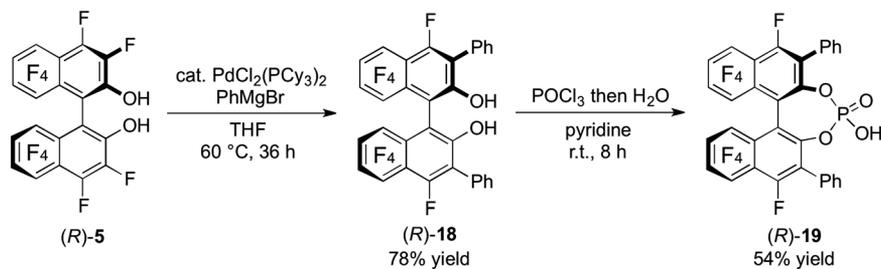
DMF at  $150^\circ\text{C}$  for 30 min in 93% yield, and treatment of **10** with borontribromide in dichloromethane at  $40^\circ\text{C}$  for 12 h successfully gave  $\text{F}_{12}$ BINOL **5** in 94% yield (Scheme 5).

The magnesiation of  $\text{F}_6$ naphthalene with  $\text{Mg}(\text{TMP})_2$ , followed by derivatization, and copper-mediated coupling realized construction of unsymmetric  $\text{F}_6$ naphthyl and  $\text{F}_{12}$ binaphthyl framework (Schemes 6, 7). For instance, the magnesiation of **11** with  $\text{Mg}(\text{TMP})_2$  in formylation reaction at  $-78^\circ\text{C}$  for 6 h gave rise to the desired aldehyde **12**. Reduction of **12** with  $\text{NaBH}_4$  in  $\text{MeOH}/\text{THF}$  at  $0^\circ\text{C}$  afforded (1-bromo-3,4,5,6,7,8-hexafluoronaphthalen-2-yl)methanol (**13**), which was used for the synthesis of coupling precursor **14** (Scheme 6). Treatment of **14** with freshly activated copper in DMF at  $150^\circ\text{C}$  furnished 5,6,7,8,9,10-hexafluoro-4*H*-benzo[1,1'-naphtha[2,1-*c*]chromene (**15**), which without purification was treated with  $\text{BBr}_3$  in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  at  $40^\circ\text{C}$  for 20 h, producing the 2'-(bromomethyl)- $\text{F}_{12}$ -1,1'-binaphthalen-2-ol **16a** in 73% yield and 2'-(bromomethyl)- $\text{F}_6$ -1,1'-binaphthalen-2-ol **16b** in

84% yield, respectively (Scheme 7).<sup>43</sup> It should be noted that this type of fluorinated binaphthalen-2-ols were synthesized for the first time that would become potentially useful intermediates in catalyst development of binaphthyl backbone.

### Synthesis of Optically Pure $\text{F}_{10}$ BINOL and Its Derivatization to Chiral Mono-Phosphoric Acid

Among varieties of fluorinated binaphthyl compounds,  $\text{F}_{12}$ BINOL was chosen as one of the representatives for further development (Scheme 8). Optical resolution of  $\text{F}_{12}$ BINOL ( $\pm$ )-**5** was examined in the usual manner of BINOL.<sup>44,45</sup> Treatment of ( $\pm$ )-**5** with *N*-benzyl cinchonidinium chloride (**17**) in acetonitrile at  $80^\circ\text{C}$  for 4 h, at room temperature for 12 h, and then cooled to  $0^\circ\text{C}$  for 2 h afforded the solid of the complex of enantiomerically enriched **5** and **17**. After recrystallization from  $\text{MeOH}$ , followed by manipulation, the optically pure (*R*)-**5** was obtained in 77% yield.

Scheme 9. Synthesis of F<sub>10</sub>BINOL and its derivatization to chiral mono-phosphoric acid (*R*)-**19**.TABLE 1. Catalytic enantioselective imino-ene reaction of *N*-Fmoc imine **23** with alkene **24**<sup>a</sup>

Entry	Catalyst	Yield (%) <sup>b</sup>	ee (%) <sup>c</sup>
1	( <i>R</i> )- <b>19</b>	97	80
2	( <i>R</i> )- <b>20</b>	84	19
3	( <i>R</i> )- <b>21</b>	35	50
4	( <i>R</i> )- <b>22</b>	43	48

<sup>a</sup>All reactions were performed with *N*-Fmoc imine **23** (0.2 mmol), catalyst (0.005 mmol), and  $\alpha$ -methylene-tetralin (**24**) (0.2 mmol) in 1 mL of toluene at 40 °C for 10 min.

<sup>b</sup>Isolated yield.

<sup>c</sup>Determined by UHPLC analysis (Chiralpak IB-3).

Various aromatic substituents could be installed on the 3,3'-position of (*R*)-**5** to synthesize F<sub>10</sub>BINOL (Scheme 9). We developed *ortho*-selective cross-coupling of F<sub>12</sub>BINOL with Grignard reagent.<sup>46</sup> For instance, the reaction of (*R*)-**5** with the THF solution of phenyl magnesium bromide in the presence of 5 mol% PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PCy<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> in THF at 60 °C for 36 h gave rise to the desired coupling product (*R*)-**18** in 78% yield. Furthermore, we transformed (*R*)-**18** to the chiral mono-phosphoric acid (*R*)-**19** in the general manner (Scheme 9).

#### Catalytic Asymmetric Imino-Ene Reaction Catalyzed by (*R*)-F<sub>10</sub>BINOL Derived Chiral Mono-Phosphoric Acid

With the new chiral mono-phosphoric acid (*R*)-**19** in hand, we turned our attention to testing its performance regarding the catalyst activity and enantioselectivity in a catalytic enantioselective transformation. To this end, we assembled (*R*)-**20** with F<sub>12</sub>binaphthyl, (*R*)-**21** with 3,3'-diphenyl binaphthyl, and (*R*)-**22** with 6,6'-dibromo-3,3'-diphenyl binaphthyl, and these were employed in the catalytic enantioselective imino-ene reaction (Table 1).<sup>37-40</sup> The reaction of *N*-Fmoc Imine **23** with  $\alpha$ -methylene-tetralin (**24**) in the presence of 2.5 mol% (*R*)-**19** revealed that the reaction proceeded smoothly only for 10 min to give an imino-ene

product **25** in excellent yield with good enantioselectivity (entry 1). In contrast, when the reactions were conducted in the presence of (*R*)-**21** and (*R*)-**22**, both the yields and enantioselectivities were not sufficient (entries 3 and 4). We also found that the enantioselectivity showed a strong dependence on the phenyl substituents at the 3,3'-position of F<sub>10</sub>binaphthyl. When the reaction was conducted in the presence of (*R*)-**20**, the enantioselectivity significantly dropped, although the yield was high (entry 2). These results suggest that F<sub>10</sub>binaphthyl would be useful and valuable framework in the design of chiral Brønsted acid catalyst.

#### CONCLUSION

In summary, varieties of fluorinated binaphthyl compounds were synthesized using thermally stable Grignard reagents generated by the magnesiation of fluoroaryls with Mg(TMP)<sub>2</sub> and subsequent trapping with an appropriate electrophile. We showed that acidic functional groups such as alcohol, naphthol, carboxylic acid, and cyclic phosphoric acid can be installed at the 2,2'-position. Furthermore, aryl substitution of F<sub>12</sub>BINOL at 3,3'-position was realized by palladium catalyzed *ortho*-selective cross-coupling with Grignard reagent, allowing easy access to F<sub>10</sub>BINOL. The application of F<sub>10</sub>BINOL-derived

chiral mono-phosphoric acid as a chiral Brønsted acid catalyst demonstrated the utility of F<sub>10</sub>binaphthyl framework for catalyst activity and enantioselectivity in catalytic enantioselective imino-ene reaction.

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