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Asymmetric Hydrogenation of Bicyclic Ketones Catalyzed by BINAP/IPHAN–Ru(II) Complex

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(A) Preparation and Physical Data of *trans*-RuCl₂(binap)(1,4-diamine) complexes (3a-e)

The preparative method for these complexes was previously described.¹ Their physical properties are as follows:

trans-RuCl₂[(*R*)-binap][(*S*)-ipban] [(*R*,*S*)-3a]. IR (ATR) 3326, 3053, 1433, 1087, 1075, 1021, 741, 697 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.27 (s, 6H), 2.43–2.47 (br m, 2H), 2.57–2.75 (m, 4H), 2.93 (br s, 2H), 3.67–3.70 (m, 2H), 6.27 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.2 Hz), 6.47 (br m, 6H), 6.67–6.72 (t-like m, 2H), 7.12–7.17 (t-like m, 2H), 7.39 (br m, 6H), 7.52 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.62 (br m, 4H), 7.73 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 7.91 (br, m, 4H), 8.25–8.30 (m, 2H). ³¹P NMR (121 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 46.5 (s). HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 954.1606 (M⁺), calcd for C₅₁H₄₈³⁵Cl₂N₂O₂P₂¹⁰²Ru: 954.1612.

trans-RuCl₂[(*S*)-binap][(*S*)-ipban] [(*S*,*S*)-3a]. IR (ATR) 3323, 3054, 1434, 1087, 1023, 741, 697 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.29 (s, 6H), 2.07 (br m, 2H), 2.67–2.70 (br m, 2H), 2.85 (br m, 2H), 3.06–3.08 (br m, 2H), 3.72–3.74 (m, 2H), 6.28 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.7 Hz), 6.48 (br m, 6H), 6.68–6.73 (t-like m, 2H), 7.13–7.17 (t-like m, 2H), 7.39 (br m, 6H), 7.52 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.61 (br m, 4H), 7.71 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.7 Hz), 7.89 (br, m, 4H), 8.23–8.27 (m, 2H). ³¹P NMR (121 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 46.5 (s). HRMS (ESI⁺) *m/z* 954.1617 (M⁺), calcd for C₅₁H₄₈³⁵Cl₂N₂O₂P₂¹⁰²Ru: 954.1612.

trans-RuCl₂[(*S*)-binap][(*R*)-iphan] [(*S*,*R*)-3b]. IR (KBr-disk) 3311, 3055, 1569, 1482, 1433, 1370, 1057, 1035, 741, 697 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.54 (d, 6H, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 1.24 (s, 6H), 2.66–2.75 (br m, 4H), 3.04 (br m, 2H), 3.47–3.51 (m, 2H), 6.25 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 6.45–6.47 (br m, 6H), 6.64–6.70 (t-like m, 2H), 7.10–7.16 (t-like m, 2H), 7.39–7.41 (br m, 6H), 7.51 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.63 (br m, 4H), 7.72 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 7.96 (br, m, 4H), 8.28–8.34 (m, 2H). ³¹P NMR (121 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 45.7 (s). HRMS (ESI⁺) *m*/*z* 982.1918 (M⁺), calcd for C₅₃H₅₂³⁵Cl₂N₂O₂P₂¹⁰²Ru: 982.1925. Found: C, 64.62%, H, 5.55%; N, 2.70%. Calcd for C₅₃H₅₂Cl₂N₂O₂P₂Ru: C, 64.76%; H, 5.33%; N, 2.85%.

trans-RuCl₂[(*S*)-tolbinap][(*R*)-iphan] [(*S*,*R*)-3c]. IR (ATR) 3309, 2989, 1500, 1223, 1194, 1053, 1038, 808, 756, 744 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.53 (d, 6H, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 1.24 (s, 6H), 1.77 (s, 6H), 2.35 (s, 6H), 2.63–2.73 (m, 4H), 3.01 (br m, 2H), 3.46–3.51 (m, 2H), 6.20–6.24 (m, 6H), 6.65–6.69 (t-like m, 2H), 7.12–7.16 (t-like m, 2H), 7.21 (d, 4H, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 7.46 (br m, 4H), 7.50 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.9 Hz), 7.72 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.7 Hz), 7.87 (br, m, 4H), 8.28–8.33 (m, 2H). ³¹P NMR (161 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 44.5 (s). HRMS (ESI⁺) *m*/*z* 1038.2580 (M⁺), calcd for C₅₇H₆₀³⁵Cl₂N₂O₂P₂¹⁰²Ru: 1038.2551. Found: C, 61.34%, H, 5.34%; N, 2.40%. Calcd for C₅₇H₆₀Cl₂N₂O₂P₂Ru•0.67CHCl₃: C, 61.92%; H, 5.47%; N, 2.50%.

trans-RuCl₂[(*S*)-binap][(*R*,*R*)-2,5-hexanediamine] [(*S*,*R*)-3d]. IR (ATR) 3320, 3054, 2960, 1574, 1482, 1432, 1260, 1085, 1027, 806, 738, 696 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.44 (d, 6H, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 1.25–1.31 (br m, 2H), 1.52 (br m, 2H), 2.73–2.74 (br m, 4H), 2.99 (br m, 2H), 6.25 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.4 Hz), 6.45–6.47 (br m, 6H), 6.65–6.70 (t-like m, 2H), 7.10–7.15 (t-like m, 2H), 7.38 (br m, 6H), 7.52 (d, 2H, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 7.64 (br m, 4H), 7.72 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 7.98 (br, m, 4H), 8.26–8.32 (m, 2H). ³¹P NMR (121 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 45.7 (s). HRMS (ESI⁺) *m*/*z* 910.1706 (M⁺), calcd for C₅₀H₄₈³⁵Cl₂N₂O₂P₂¹⁰²Ru: 910.1713. Found: C, 65.93%, H, 5.31%; N, 3.08%. Calcd for C₅₀H₄₈Cl₂N₂O₂P₂¹⁰²Ru•0.25CHCl₃: C, 64.16%; H, 5.17%; N, 2.98%.

trans-RuCl₂[(*R*)-tolbinap][(*S*,*S*)-2,5-hexanediamine] [(*R*,*S*)-3e]. IR (ATR) 3316, 3053, 2919, 1499, 1191, 1089, 1037, 804 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.43 (d, 6H, *J* = 6.4 Hz), 1.21–1.30 (m, 2H), 1.51 (br m, 2H), 1.78 (s, 6H), 2.33 (s, 6H), 2.71 (br m, 4H), 2.96 (br m, 2H), 6.20–6.24 (m, 6H), 6.63–6.69 (t-like m, 2H), 7.09–7.19 (m, 6H), 7.48–7.52 (m, 6H), 7.72 (d, 2H, *J* = 8.5 Hz), 7.90 (br m, 4H), 8.26–8.32 (m, 2H). ³¹P NMR (121 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 43.9 (s). HRMS (ESI⁺) *m*/*z* 966.2343 (M⁺), calcd for C₅₄H₅₆³⁵Cl₂N₂O₂P₂¹⁰²Ru: 966.2339.

(B) Asymmetric Hydrogenation of 3-Quinuclidinone (1a) (S/C = 50,000)

Solid (*S*,*R*)-**3b** (3.0 mg, 0.0031 mmol) and 3-quinuclidinone (**1a**) (18.78 g, 150 mmol) were placed in a 200 mL SUS autoclave with a Teflon-coated magnetic stirring bar. Air present in the autoclave was replaced by argon. 2-Propanol (49 mL) was added to the autoclave and degassed. A solution of $t-C_4H_9OK$ in 2-propanol (1 M, 1.0 mL, 1.0 mmol) which had been degassed was added to the autoclave. Hydrogen was initially introduced into the autoclave at a pressure of 5 atm, before being reduced to 1 atm by carefully releasing the stop valve. After this procedure was repeated 5 times, the vessel was pressurized to 50 atm. The reaction mixture was vigorously stirred at 25 °C. After stirring for 24 h and carefully venting the hydrogen gas, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica-gel (Fuji silysia, Chromatorex NH) column chromatography giving (R)-3-quinuclidinol^{2,3} [(R)-2a] (colorless powder, 18.9 g, 99% yield, 97% ee). The enantiomeric excess of 2a was determined by HPLC analysis of acetylated derivative. Column, CHIRALCEL AD-H; eluent, hexane:ethanol:2-propanol = 90:5:5; flow, 0.5 mL min⁻¹; column temp, 25 °C; retention time (t_R) of Ac-(S)-2a, 18.3 min (1.5%); t_R of Ac-(R)-2a, 24.6 min (98.5%). $[\alpha]_{D}^{28}$ -42.5 (c 1.06, 1M HCl) (lit.² $[\alpha]_{D}^{25}$ -44.9 (c 2.0, 1 M HCl), 96% ee (R)). IR (KBr-disk) 3109 (br), 2941, 2871, 1456, 1346, 1309, 1116, 1045, 988, 817, 795, 773 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) & 1.31-1.40 (m, 1H), 1.41-1.51 (m, 1H), 1.64-1.72 (m, 1H), 1.79–1.83 (m, 1H), 1.90–1.98 (m, 1H), 2.58–2.69 (m, 2H), 2.72–2.82 (m, 2H), 2.87–2.95 (m including a broad signal, 2H), 3.13 (ddd, J=14.1, 8.2, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 3.83–3.87 (m, 1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 18.9 (CH₂), 24.8 (CH₂), 28.3 (CH), 46.3 (CH₂), 47.3 (CH₂), 57.9 (CH₂), 67.5 (CH). HRMS(EI⁺), m/z 127.0997 (M⁺), calcd C₇H₁₃NO: 127.0997. Found: C, 65.81%, H, 10.32%; N, 10.94%. Calcd for C₇H₁₃NO: C, 66.10%; H, 10.30%; N, 11.01%.

(C) Asymmetric Hydrogenation of Bicyclo[2.2.2]octan-2-one (1b) (S/C = 1,000) Solid (*S*,*R*)-3b (1.3 mg, 1.3 μ mol), *t*-C₄H₉OK (14.9 mg, 0.133 mmol), and bicyclo[2.2.2]octan-2-one (1b) (167.9 mg, 1.35 mmol) were placed in a 100-mL glass autoclave with a Teflon-coated magnetic stirring bar under Ar. A degassed (three freeze-thaw cycles) mixture of 2-propanol (4.8 mL) and tert-butylalcohol (1.6 mL) was added to the autoclave. Hydrogen was initially introduced into the autoclave at a pressure of 10 atm, before being reduced to 1 atm by carefully releasing the stop valve. After this procedure was repeated several times, the vessel was pressurized to 20 atm, and then the reaction mixture was vigorously stirred at 20 °C for 2 h. After venting the hydrogen gas, the solvent was carefully removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica-gel column chromatography eluted with a hexane-ethyl acetate (7:1 then 4:1) giving (S)-bicyclo[2.2.2]octan-2-ol⁴ [(S)-2b] (colorless crystals, 153.4 mg, 90% yield, 98% ee). The enantiomeric excess of **2b** was determined by GC analysis. Column, BETA DEX-120 (0.25x30, DF = 0.25); carrier, He (100 kPa); oven temp, 80 °C, 2 min hold, 1 °C/min to 140 °C; $t_{\rm R}$ of (R)-2b, 47.98 min (1%); $t_{\rm R}$ of (S)-2b, $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{28}$ +33.0 (c 1.01, CHCl₃). (lit.⁴ $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{27}$ +31.3 (c 1.4, CHCl₃), 48.34 min (99%). 97.8% ee (S)). IR (KBr-disk) 3357, 2932, 2861, 1456, 1362, 1092, 1034 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) & 1.30–1.51 (m, 6H), 1.53–1.65 (m, 4H), 1.84–1.92 (m, 1H), 1.97–2.05 (m, 1H), 3.95 (br d, 1H, J=9.0 Hz). 13 C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 18.5 (CH₂), 23.7 (CH₂), 24.4 (CH₂), 24.7 (CH), 25.6 (CH₂), 31.7 (CH), 37.5 (CH₂), 69.6 (CH). HRMS(EI⁺), m/z 126.1045 (M⁺), calcd for C₈H₁₄O: 126.1045. Found: C, 76.14%, H, 11.37%. Calcd for $C_8H_{14}O$: C, 76.14%; H, 11.18%.

(D) Asymmetric Hydrogenation of (±)-Benzobicyclo[2.2.2]octen-2-one [(±)-4]

Solid (*S*,*R*)-**3b** (1.3 mg, 1.3 µmol), *t*-C₄H₉OK (16.6 mg, 0.148 mmol), and (\pm)-**4**⁵ (224.0 mg, 1.30 mmol) were placed in a 100-mL glass autoclave with a Teflon-coated magnetic stirring bar under Ar. A degassed (three freeze–thaw cycles) mixture of 2-propanol (4.9 mL) and *tert*-butylalcohol (1.5 mL) was added to the autoclave. Hydrogen was initially introduced into the autoclave at a pressure of 10 atm, before being reduced to 1 atm by carefully releasing the stop valve. After this procedure was repeated several times, the vessel was pressurized to 20 atm, and then the reaction mixture was vigorously stirred at 20 °C for 2 h. After venting the hydrogen gas, the

solvent was carefully removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified on silica-gel preparative thin-layer chromatography developed with a toluene-ethyl acetate (10:1) giving (1R,2S,4R)-benzobicyclo[2.2.2]octen-2-ol^{4,5} (5, *exo*-alcohol) (colorless crystals, 94.2 mg, 42% yield, 99% ee), and (1S,2S,4S)-benzobicyclo[2.2.2]octen-2-ol^{4,5} (6, endo-alcohol) (colorless crystals, 103.5 mg, 46% yield, 96% ee). The enantiomeric excess of 5 and 6 was determined by HPLC analysis. For 5: Column, CHIRALCEL OD-H; eluent, hexane:2-propanol = 95:5; flow, 0.5 mL min⁻¹; column temp, 40 °C; retention time (t_R) of (1S, 2R, 4S)-5, 13.7 min (0.3%); t_R of (1R, 2S, 4R)-5, 16.0 min (99.7%). For 6: Column, CHIRALCEL OJ-H; eluent, hexane:2-propanol = 90:10; flow, 0.5 mL min⁻¹; column temp, 40 °C; retention time ($t_{\rm R}$) of (1S,2S,4S)-6, 23.8 min (97.9%); $t_{\rm R}$ of (1R,2R,4R)-6, 31.5 min (2.1%). *exo*-alcohol (1R,2S,4R)-5: $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{28}$ +7.3 (c 1.03, CHCl₃), lit.⁴ $[\alpha]_D$ +7.7 (CHCl₃, (S)-config., extrapolated). IR (KBr-disk) 3319 (br), 2945, 1482, 1460, 1077, 1051, 1012, 750 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.23-1.31 (m, 1H), 1.37-1.48 (m, 2H), 1.61 (br d, 1H), 1.86-1.94 (m, 1H), 1.95-2.03 (m, 1H), 2.26–2.34 (m, 1H), 2.96–2.99 (m, 1H), 3.01–3.03 (m, 1H), 3.91–3.94 (m, 1H), 7.11–7.14 (m, 1H), 7.17–7.21 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 18.0 (CH₂), 26.4 (CH₂), 34.6 (CH), 36.8 (CH₂), 42.2 (CH), 69.5 (CH), 123.5 (CH), 124.7 (CH), 126.0 (CH), 126.4 (CH), 141.4 (C), 143.8 (C). endo-alcohol (15,25,45)-6: $[\alpha]_{D}^{28}$ – 20.0 (c 1.04, CHCl₃), lit.⁴ $[\alpha]_{D}^{27}$ –18.55 (c 0.9, CHCl₃), 85% ee (S)). IR (KBr, disk) 3281 (br), 3211 (br), 2941, 2864, 1485, 1330, 1080, 1035, 754 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) & 1.02 (d, J=8.6 Hz, 1H), 1.19 (m, 1H), 1.26–1.34 (m, 1H), 1.42–1.50 (m, 1H), 1.57–1.72 (m, 2H), 2.26 (ddd, J=14.0, 8.8, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 3.03–3.06 (m, 1H), 3.09– 3.11 (m, 1H), 4.09–4.14 (m, 1H), 7.15–7.18 (m, 1H), 7.21–7.24 (m, 3H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) & 22.5 (CH₂), 24.6 (CH₂), 34.1 (CH), 39.5 (CH₂), 42.0 (CH₂), 69.7 (CH), 123.5 (CH), 126.2 (CH), 126.65 (CH), 126.72 (CH), 138.4 (C), 144.0 (C).

(E) Asymmetric Hydrogenation of (\pm) -Norcamphor [(\pm) -7] (S/C = 1,000)

Solid (S,R)-**3b** (1.4 mg, 1.4 µmol), t-C₄H₉OK (16.0 mg, 0.143 mmol), and (±)norcamphor $[(\pm)-7]$ (158.0 mg, 1.43 mmol) were placed in a 100-mL glass autoclave with a Teflon-coated magnetic stirring bar under Ar. A degassed (three freeze-thaw cycles) mixture of 2-propanol (4.8 mL) and tert-butylalcohol (1.6 mL) was added to the autoclave. Hydrogen was initially introduced into the autoclave at a pressure of 10 atm, before being reduced to 1 atm by carefully releasing the stop valve. After this procedure was repeated several times, the vessel was pressurized to 10 atm, and then the reaction mixture was vigorously stirred at 20 °C for 2 h. After venting the hydrogen gas, the solvent was carefully removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica-gel thin layer chromatography developed with a 7:1 hexane-ethyl acetate to give a diastereomeric mixture of norborneol [8 (exo) and 9 (endo), 8:9 =11:89] (colorless crystals, 115.1 mg, 72% yield). This sample contained a small amount of ethyl acetate (4%(w/w)). The ratio of diastereomers was determined by GC analysis. Column, BETA DEX-325 (0.25x30, DF = 0.25); carrier, He (100 kPa); oven temp, 100 °C isothernal, t_R of (1R, 2R, 4S)-8, 17.14 min (0.28%); t_R of (1S, 2S, 4R)-8, 17.59 min (11.3%), $t_{\rm R}$ of (1S,2R,4R)-9, 18.19 min (38.5%); $t_{\rm R}$ of (1R,2S,4S)-9, 18.65 min (49.9%). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.84 (dt, endo-1H, J_d =12.7, J_t =3.4 Hz), 0.98-1.05 (m, exo-2H), 1.10-1.14 (m, exo-1H), 1.26-1.70 (m, endo-6H and exo-6H), 1.84-1.99 (m, endo-2H), 2.14-2.26 (m, endo-2H and exo-2H), 3.76 (br d, exo-1H, J=6.8 Hz), 4.23 (br m, endo-1H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 19.8 (endo, CH₂), 24.3 (exo, CH₂), 28.0 (exo, CH₂), 29.8 (endo, CH₂), 34.3 (exo, CH₂), 35.3 (exo, CH), 37.1 (endo, CH), 37.5 (endo, CH₂), 39.3 (endo, CH₂), 42.1 (exo, CH₂), 42.4 (endo, CH), 44.1 (exo, CH), 72.8 (endo, CH), 74.7 (exo, CH).

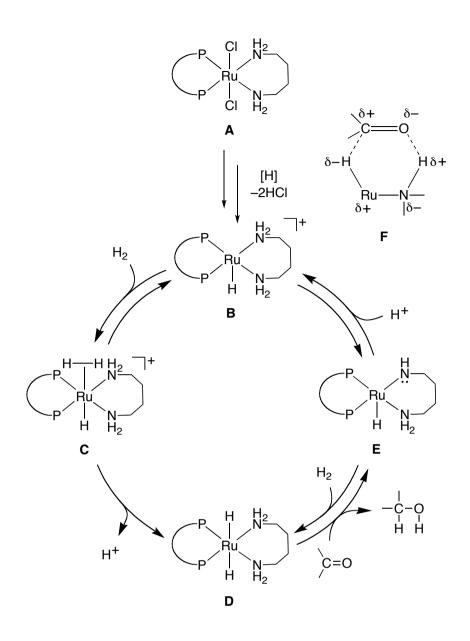
(F) Asymmetric Hydrogenation of (±)-2-Diphenylmethyl-3-quinuclidinone [(±) 10]

Solid (S,R)-**3b** (2.6 mg, 0.0027 mmol) and (\pm) -2-diphenylmethyl-3-quinuclidinone^{6,7} [(\pm)-**10**] (7.71 g, 26.5 mmol) were placed in a 200 mL SUS autoclave with a Teflon-

coated magnetic stirring bar. Air present in the autoclave was replaced by argon. 2-Propanol (108 mL) and dimethylacetamide (18 mL) were added to the autoclave. Argon was introduced into the autoclave at a pressure of 5 atm, then released to 1 atm. This procedure was repeated 5 times. A solution of $t-C_4H_9OK$ in 2-propanol (1 M, 2.6 mL, 2.6 mmol) which had been degassed was added to the autoclave. Hydrogen was initially introduced into the autoclave at a pressure of 5 atm, before being reduced to 1 atm by carefully releasing the stop valve. After this procedure was repeated 5 times, the vessel was pressurized to 50 atm. The reaction mixture was vigorously stirred at 25 °C. After stirring for 24 h and carefully venting the hydrogen gas, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica-gel (Fuji silysia, Chromatorex NH) column chromatography giving (2S,3S)-2-diphenylmethyl-3quinuclidinol⁸ [(S,S)-11] (colorless powder, 7.73 g, 99% yield, >99% ee) as a single diastereomer. The enantiomeric excess of 11 was determined by HPLC analysis. Column, CHIRALCEL OD-RH; eluent, CH₃CN : 0.1 M aq. KPF₆ = 70 : 30; flow, 0.5 mL min⁻¹; column temp, 25 °C; retention time (t_R) of (R,R)-11, 33.7 min (t_R) of racemic **11**) (<0.5% not detected); $t_{\rm R}$ of (S,S)-**11**, 41.1 min (>99.5%). $[\alpha]_{\rm D}^{26}$ +11.6 (c 1.0, CHCl₃) (lit.⁸ $[\alpha]_D$ +11.6 (c 1, CDCl₃), 99.5% ee (S,S)). IR (KBr-disk) 3430 (br), 3024, 2935, 2869, 1597, 1495, 1450, 1066, 1042, 755, 741, 702 cm⁻¹. ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.12–1.32 (m, 1H), 1.35 (d, 1H, J = 3.3 Hz), 1.47–1.69 (m, 2H), 1.88–1.96 (m, 2H), 1.61–1.69 (m, 1H), 2.77–2.83 (m, 2H), 3.14–3.25 (m, 1H), 3.61–3.67 (m, 1H), 3.94-3.99 (m, 1H), 4.48 (d, 1H, J = 12.0 Hz), 7.07-7.34 (m, 8H), 7.42-7.46 (m, 2H). ¹³C NMR (75 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 19.2 (CH₂), 24.8 (CH₂), 28.4 (CH), 41.5 (CH₂), 49.0 (CH₂), 49.2 (CH), 63.3 (CH), 68.9 (CH), 126.1 (CH), 126.7 (CH), 127.6 (CH), 127.7 (CH), 128.4 (CH), 129.3 (CH), 143.6 (C), 144.3 (C). HRMS (EI⁺) *m/z* 293.1778 (M⁺), calcd for C₂₀H₂₃NO: 293.1780. Found: C, 81.36%, H, 8.01%; N, 4.67%. Calcd for C₂₀H₂₃NO: C, 81.87%; H, 7.90%; N, 4.77%.

(G) Comment on the Catalytic Cycle

A plausible catalytic cycle for the hydrogenation of ketones with BINAP/1,4-diamine-Ru complexes 3 in 2-propanol is shown in Scheme S1 by analogy with the mechanism of BINAP/DPEN-Ru catalyzed hydrogenation.⁹ The excellent activity of this catalyst is rationalized by a non-classical "metal-ligand cooperative mechanism" using the NH The precatalyst dichloride complex A is converted to the cationic functionality. species **B** by releasing two HCl molecules with the assistance of a base, followed by hydride donation from 2-propanol or H_2 . Then, **B** reacts with an H_2 molecule to form a cationic intermediate C, which undergoes deprotonation with a solvent molecule to afford the active RuH_2 species **D**. This process is promoted by a base. Ketone is promptly reduced by **D**, resulting in the alcoholic product and the 16-electron Ruamide complex E. This species is easily protonated in an alcoholic solvent to regenerate the cationic amino complex **B**, while it partially returns to **D** by reaction with H₂. The active species **D** has a *fac*-structure for the hydride and two nitrogen atoms of the diamine, so that this species and a ketonic substrate react smoothly through the sixmembered pericyclic transition state F. Ketone is hydrogenated in the outer coordination sphere of **D**, where neither ketone/Ru nor alkoxy/Ru interaction is involved.



SCHEME S1. Plausible Catalytic Cycle for BINAP/1,4-diamine–Ru-catalyzed Hydrogenation of Ketones. P-P = (S)-BINAP. $NH_2 - NH_2 = 1,4$ -diamine.

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(I) Spectral Charts

