Optical resolution of winding vine-shaped biphenyl with molecular asymmetry

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We have been engaged in the synthesis and properties of winding vine-shaped (hetero)biaryls, showing molecular asymmetry.¹ However, preparation of such a molecule as an enantiomerically pure form has only been successful by the HPLC separation with a chiral column. We have recently reported the synthesis of winding vine-shaped biphenyl derivatives **1** and **2**, which also showed molecular asymmetry and was successfully separated by HPLC with chiral column.² We herein report that chromatographic resolution of winding vine-shaped biphenyl **3**, which possess ethylenediamine moieties, is achieved by leading to the diastereomeric camphorsulfonamide.

Removal of the nosyl (2-nitrobenzenesulfonyl: Ns) group of **3** was carried out with thioglycerol and the obtained seconary amine **4** was isolated as a HCl salt. Treatment of **4** with (+)-camphorsulfonyl chloride in the presence of triethylamine afforded the corresponding camphorsulfonamide **5**, which was separated by silica gel column chromatography. The separation of the related diastereomer derived from **2** was also performed in a similar manner to that of **3**.



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